

# Vertex correction to nuclear matrix elements of double- $\beta$ decays

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The predicted neutrinoless double- $\beta$  ( $0\nu\beta\beta$ ) decay is the crucial phenomenon to prove the existence of the Majorana neutrino, which gives a foundation to the Fukugita-Yanagida theory explaining the matter prevalence of the universe. The nuclear matrix element (NME) of  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay is an important theoretical quantity for the detector design for the next generation of the  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay search. Reliable calculation of this NME is a long-standing problem because of the diversity of the predicted values of the NME. A particular difficulty comes from the fact that the effective strength of the Gamow-Teller transition operator for this decay is not established. I will discuss what vertex corrections are necessary for the  $0\nu\beta\beta$  NME by the hybrid model of application of the quantum field theory to the leptons and the Rayleigh-Schrödinger perturbation to the nucleons. In the first order, the two-body nucleon current and the exchange vertex corrections are important.

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