

Dirac neutrinos and parity solution to the strong CP problem

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Outline

- Motivation
- Lightning review on Majorana neutrino mass models and test through lepton flavor violation
- Dirac neutrinos from left-right symmetric theory and its embedding into GUT
 - Parity solves the strong CP problem
 - Dirac neutrinos can be tested through N_{eff}
 - GUT embedding predicts δ_{CP} and the lightest neutrino mass
- Summary

Strong CP Problem

- QCD Lagrangian allows term that **violates Parity P** and **Time Reversal T** symmetries, thus **CP** symmetry:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = -\frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} + \theta \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a\mu\nu} + \bar{q} \left(i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m_q e^{i\theta_q \gamma_5} \right) q$$

g_s = strong coupling constant

$$G_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu G_\nu^a - \partial_\nu G_\mu^a + g_s f^{abc} G_\mu^b G_\nu^c$$

- Transformation properties under discrete symmetries: analogous to electrodynamics

$$-\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2 \right) \xrightarrow{\text{P, T}} \text{P-even, T-even}$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = -4 \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \xrightarrow{\text{P, T}} \text{P-odd, T-odd}$$

\vec{E} is P-odd, T-even
 \vec{B} is P-even, T-odd

- Any **chiral rotation** of the quark field, $q \rightarrow e^{i\alpha\gamma_5}q$ would lead to the redefinition of the new parameter $\theta \rightarrow \theta + \alpha$ due to the anomalous nature of this rotation,

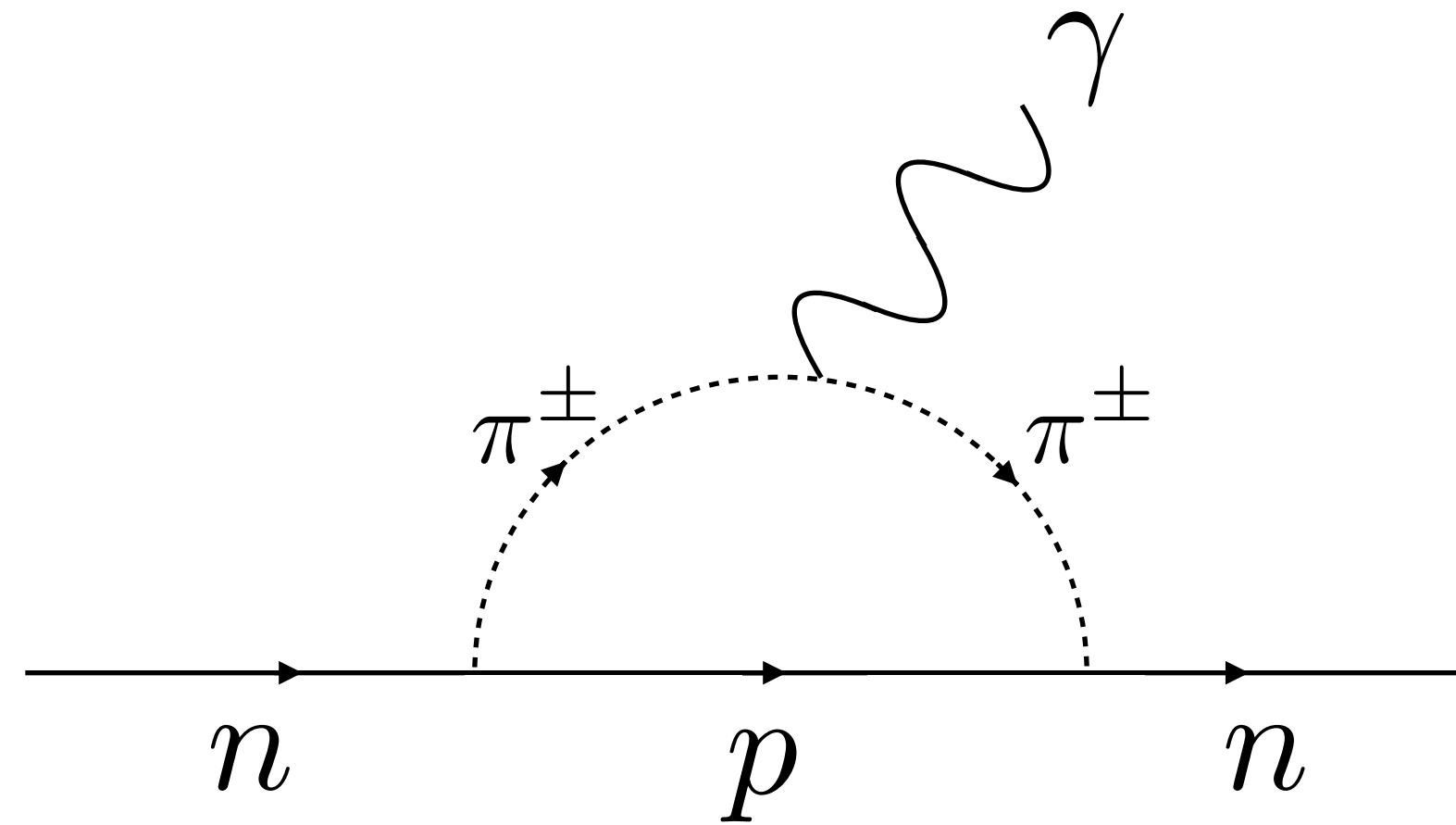
\implies only **invariant physical quantity** is $\bar{\theta} = \theta + \theta_q$

or $\bar{\theta} = \theta + \text{ArgDet}[M_Q]$ with multiple flavors of the quark

No reason for them to cancel

Strong CP Problem

- $\bar{\theta}$ induces neutron electric dipole moment (neutron EDM)



$$d_n = \frac{e\bar{\theta}g_A c_+ \mu}{8\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \log \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_\pi^2} \sim 3 \times 10^{-16} \bar{\theta} \text{ e cm}$$

$$\mu = \frac{m_u m_d}{m_u + m_d}, \quad g_A \simeq 1.27, \quad c_+ \simeq 1.6, \quad \Lambda = 4\pi f_\pi$$

- Current bound on neutron is $d_n < 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ e cm} \implies \bar{\theta} < 10^{-10}$

The mass parameters can in principle have arbitrary phases, and one would expect $\bar{\theta} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$

Why is $\bar{\theta}$ so small?

Strong CP Problem

Solutions to the Strong CP Problem

Massless up quark

$$\bar{\theta} = \theta + \text{ArgDet}[M_Q]$$

- chiral rotations,
 $u \rightarrow e^{i\alpha\gamma_5} u \implies \theta \rightarrow \theta + \alpha$
can remove it.
- $m_u = 0$ is inconsistent with experimental data as well as lattice calculations.

H. Georgi and I. Mc Arthur '81

K. Choi, C.W. Kim and W.K. Sze '88

The Axion

Make $\bar{\theta}$ a dynamical field.

A global chiral U(1) symmetry is introduced that is spontaneously broken. Effective interaction of axion:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \left(\frac{a}{f_a} + \theta \right) \frac{1}{32\pi^2} G\tilde{G}$$

Axion effective potential is such that the vacuum solution relaxes to $\bar{\theta} = 0$

R.D. Peccei and H.R. Quinn '77

F. Wilczek '78, S. Weinberg '78

P or CP

Make P or CP exact symmetry broken spontaneously in such a way that the determinant of the quark mass matrix is real.

$$\bar{\theta} = 0$$

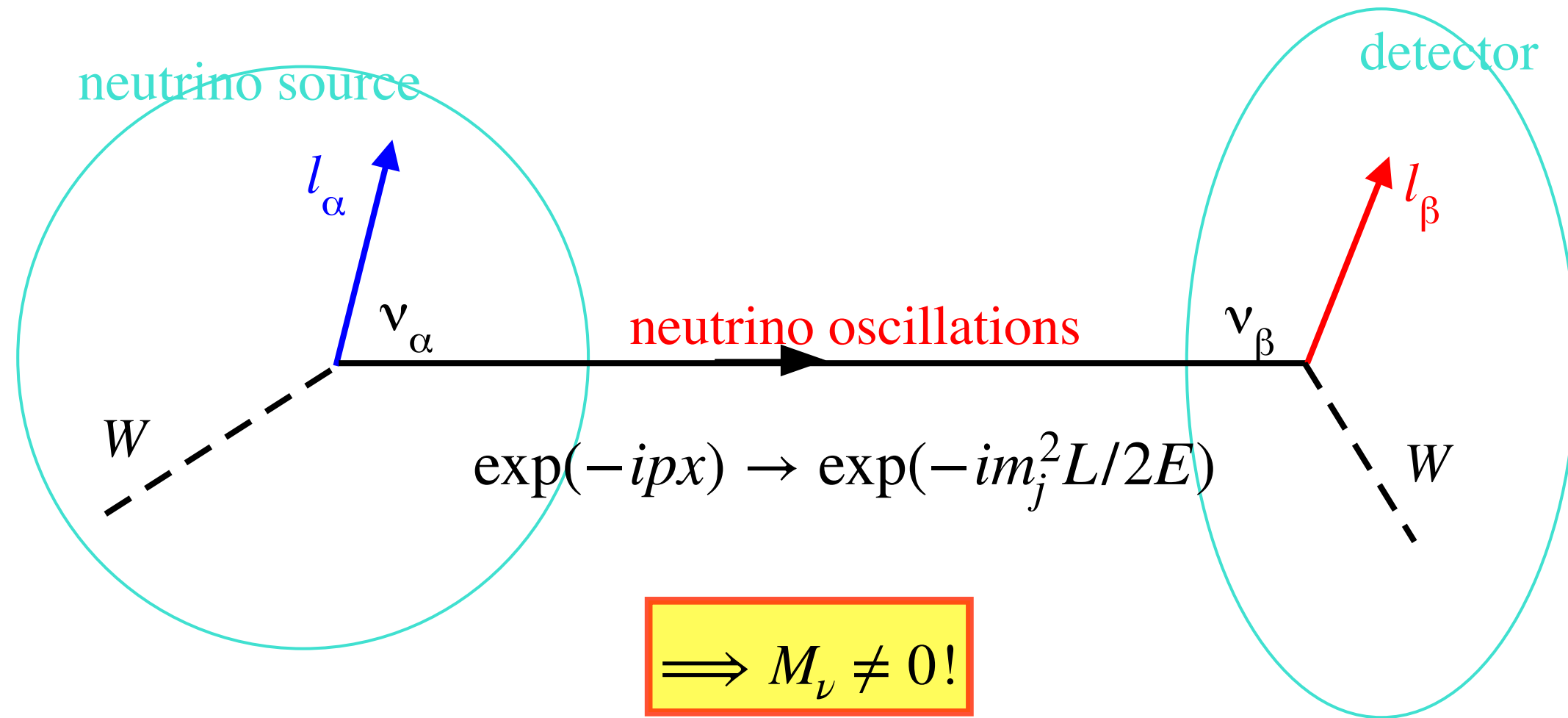
A. Nelson '84 and S.M. Barr '84

Babu and Mohapatra, '90

More on it later

Shortcomings of the Standard Model

Neutrino masses are predicted to be zero in the SM, but neutrino oscillates!



$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = U_{\text{PMNS}} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

U parameterization:

$$\theta_{12} \sim [31^\circ - 36^\circ]$$

$$\theta_{23} \sim [39^\circ - 52^\circ]$$

$$\theta_{13} \sim [8^\circ - 9^\circ]$$

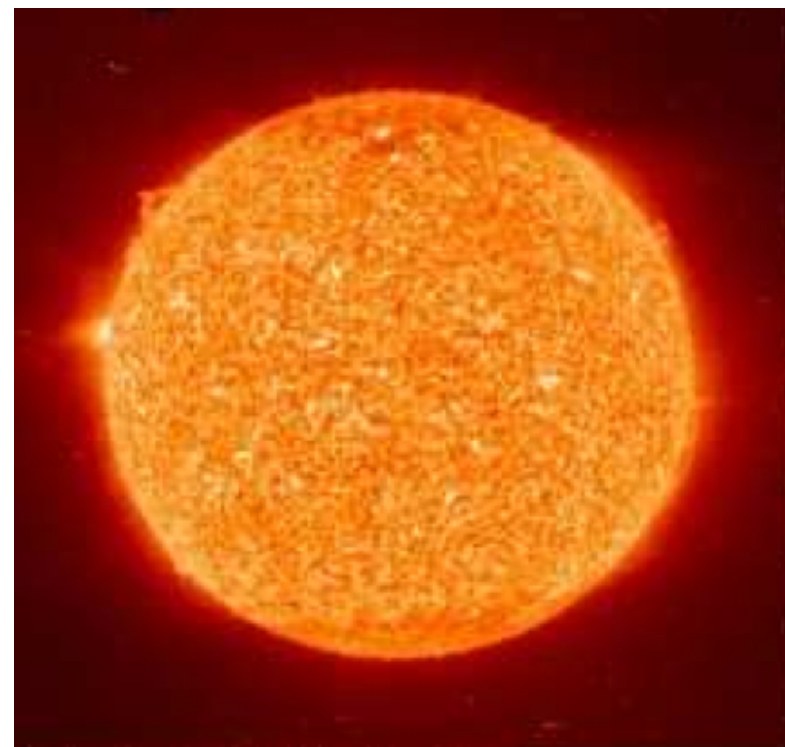
$$\delta_{\text{CP}} \sim ?$$



Kajita & McDonald,
2015

$$P(\nu_\tau \rightarrow \nu_\alpha) = \left| \sum_j U_{\tau j}^* U_{\alpha j} \exp\left(-i \frac{m_j^2 L}{2E}\right) \right|^2$$

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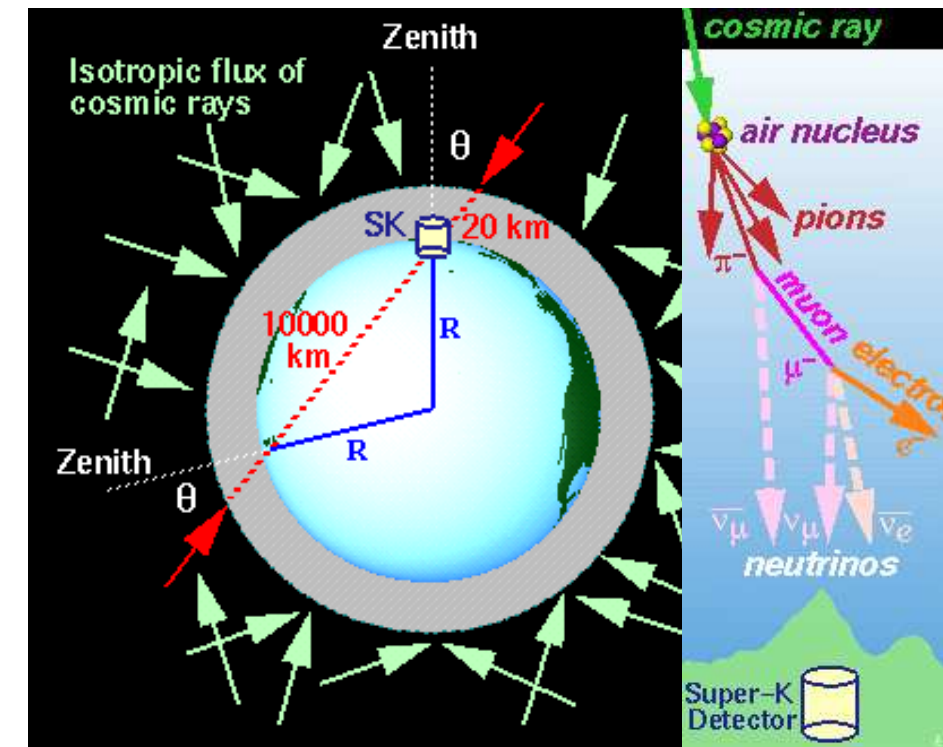
Homestake, SAGE, GALLEX
SuperK, SNO, Borexino

reactors



KamLAND, D-CHOOZ
DayaBay, RENO

atmosphere



SuperKamiokande

accelerators

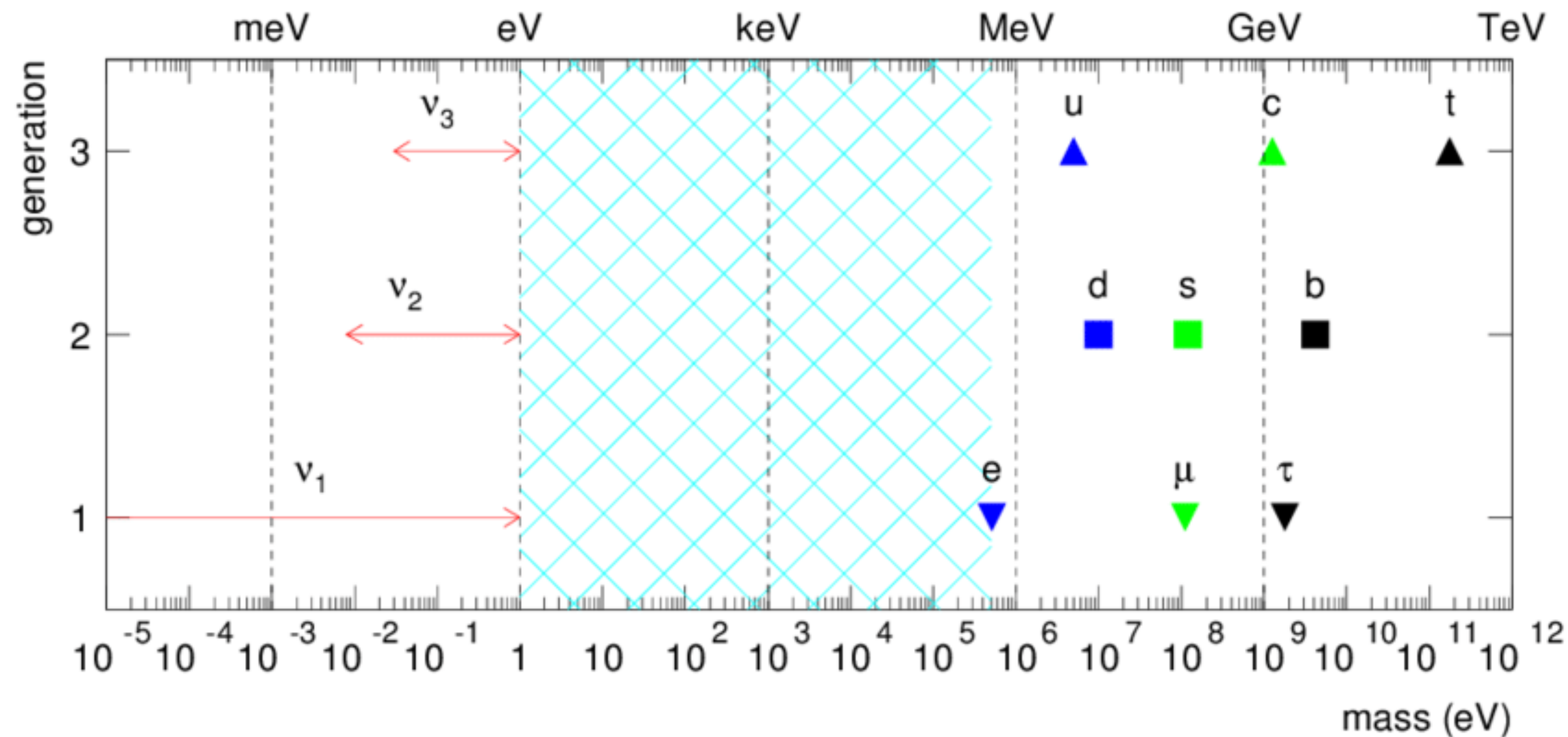


K2K, MINOS, T2K
OPERA

Open questions

- > Octant of θ_{23} ?
- > Absolute mass scale and mass hierarchy?
- > Are neutrinos their own antiparticle? **Dirac vs Majorana**
- > Is there **CP Violation** in lepton sector, $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \neq P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$?
- > Why is neutrino **mass so tiny**?

Nonzero neutrino masses
 \implies existence of new fundamental fields

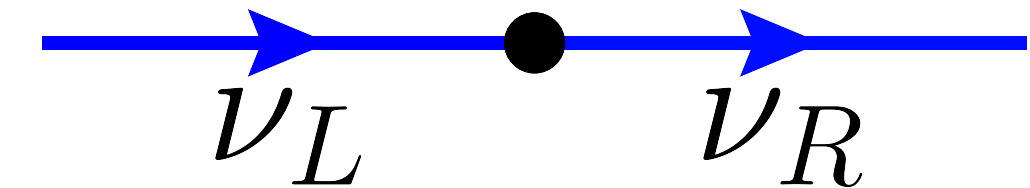


Dirac vs Majorana

- Dirac neutrinos:

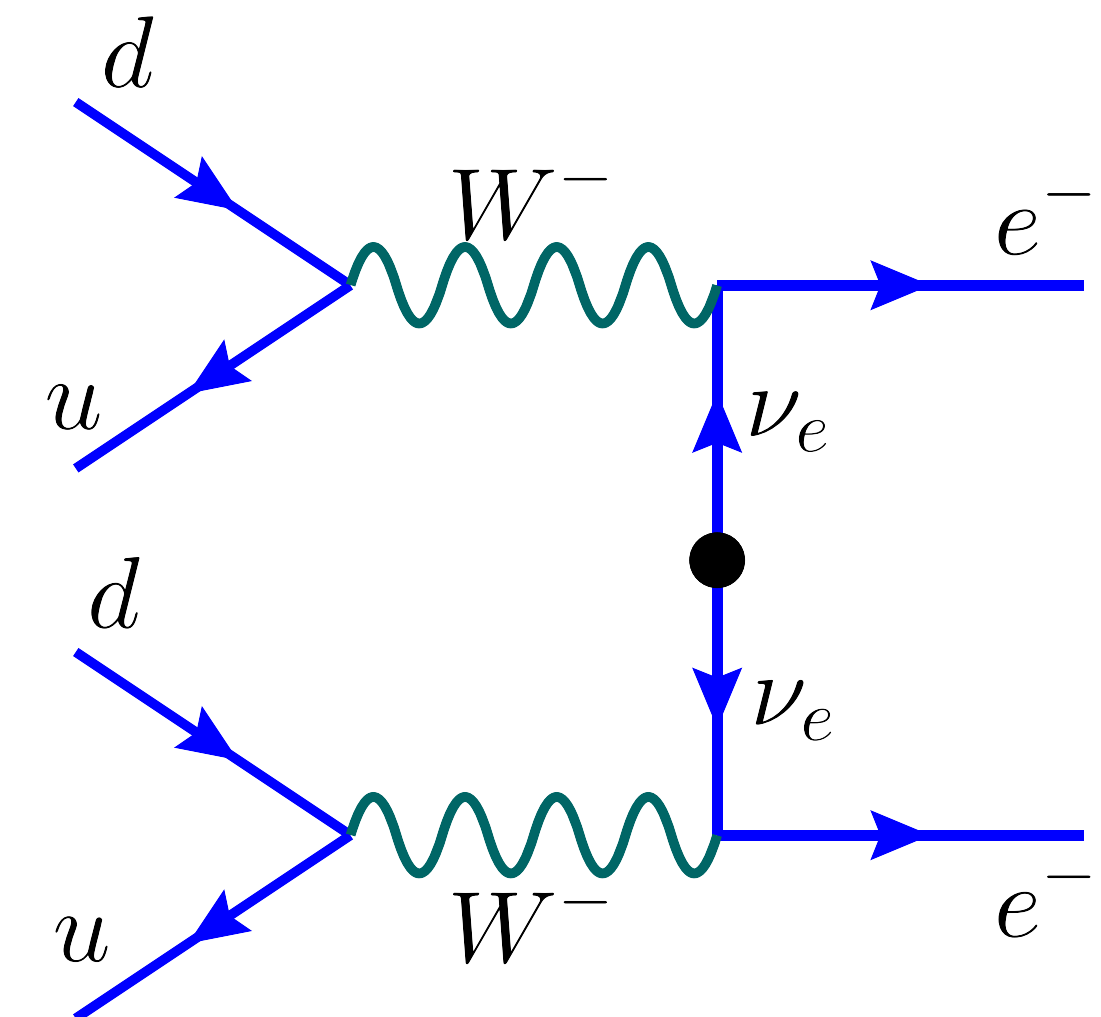
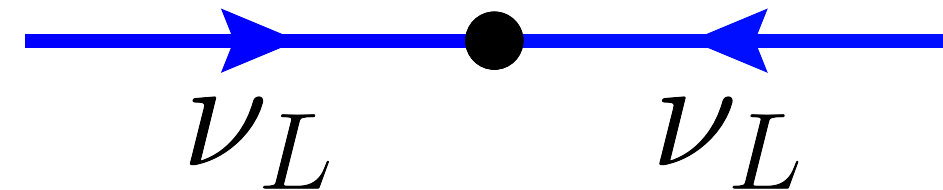
Introduce ν_R to the SM ($SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$) allowing $\mathcal{L}_Y : y_\nu \bar{L} H \nu_R + h.c.$

- $\nu = \nu_L + \nu_R \neq \bar{\nu}$
- $U(1)_L$ conserved
- $m_\nu = y_\nu \langle H \rangle \approx 0.1\text{eV}$, this means Yukawa coupling $y_\nu \sim 10^{-12}!!$
- ν_R only couples to Higgs \implies **difficult to measure**



- Majorana neutrinos:

- $\nu = \nu_L + \nu_L^c = \bar{\nu}$
- $U(1)_L$ broken \implies **neutrinoless double beta decay $0\nu\beta\beta$**
- Weinberg operator $LLHH$ generates Majorana masses



Recipe for Neutrino masses

- ν is Majorana: lowest non-renormalizable SM effective operator is the **Weinberg operator**

L = lepton doublet
 H = Higgs doublet
 y = dimensionless coupling
 Λ = new $\Delta L = 2$ physics scale

$$\boxed{\frac{y}{\Lambda} LLHH} \implies \text{Majorana neutrinos} \quad \boxed{m_\nu \sim y \frac{v^2}{\Lambda}}$$

seesaw formula

$$m_\nu \sim 0.1\text{eV}, \quad v \sim 10^2\text{GeV} \implies \Lambda \sim 10^{14}\text{GeV}$$

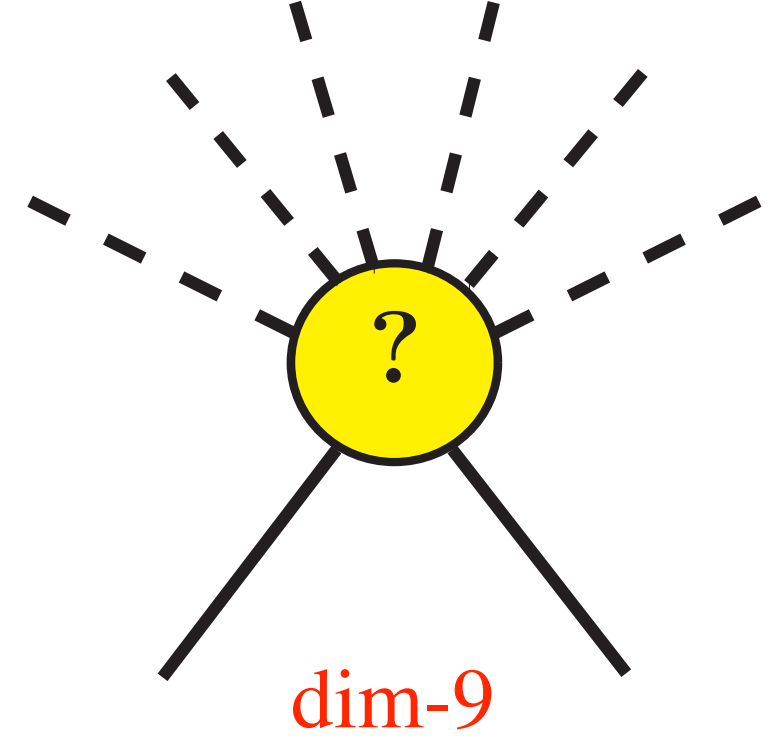
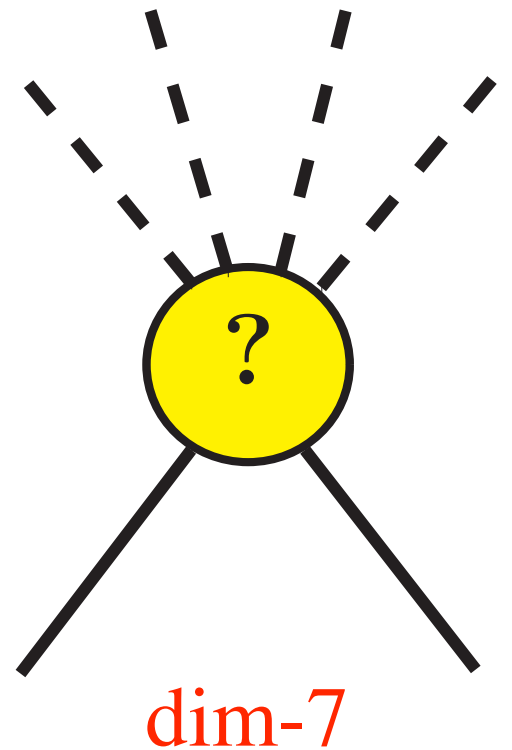
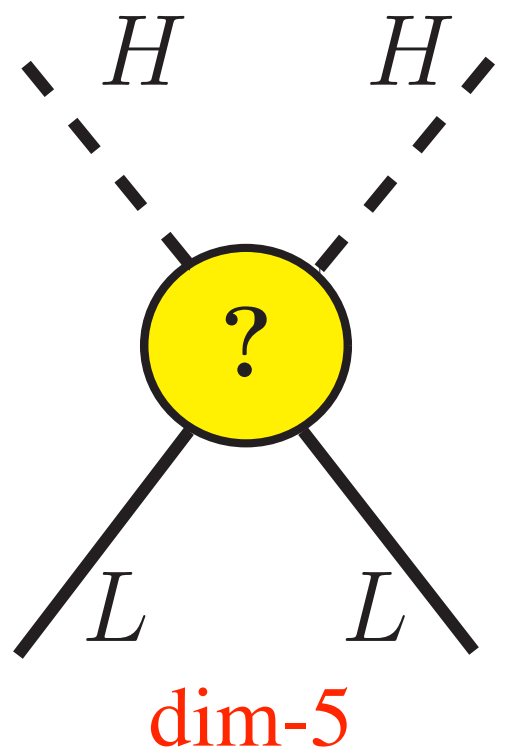
In its simplest form, seesaw scale is very high
 Testability is very low

- Generalized Weinberg operator

$$\frac{y}{\Lambda^{1+2n}} LLHH(H^\dagger H)^n$$

Higher the dimension lower the new physics scale

- “Open up” all such operators (UV complete) \implies neutrino mass

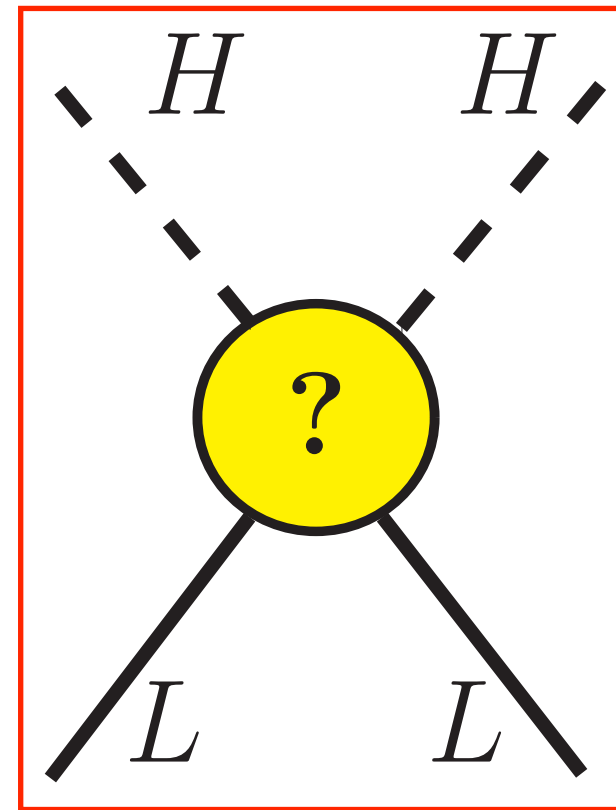


Neutrino Masses (dimension-5)

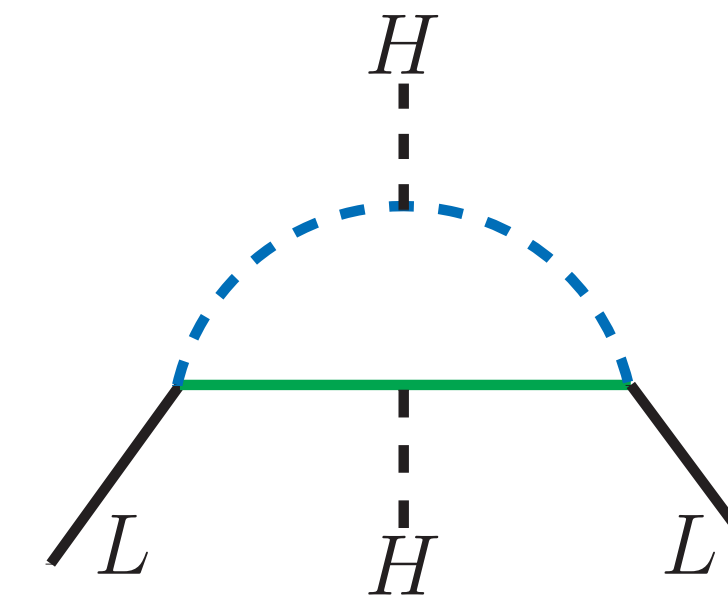
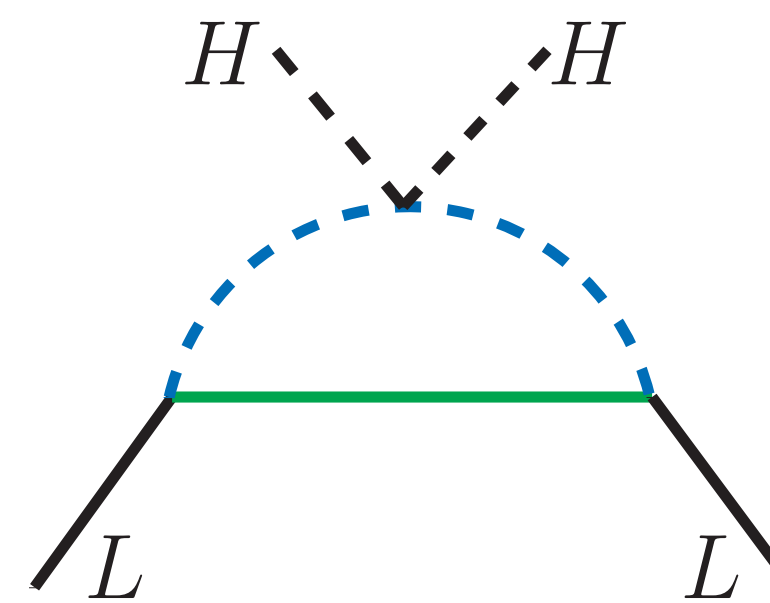
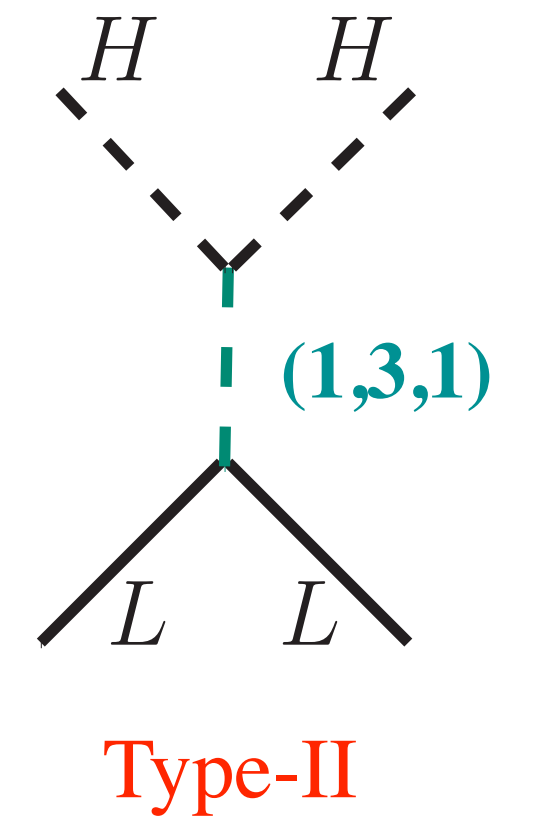
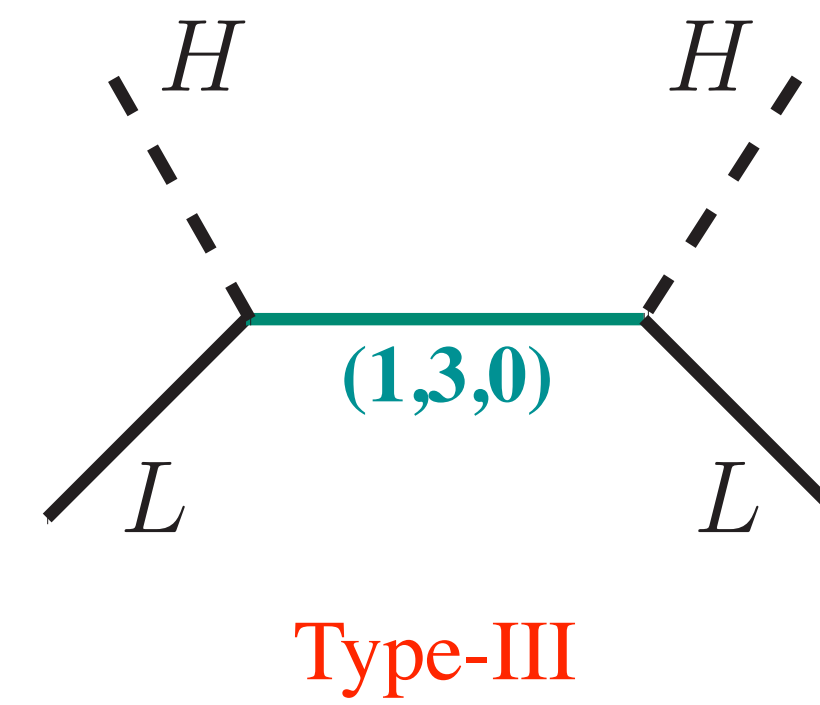
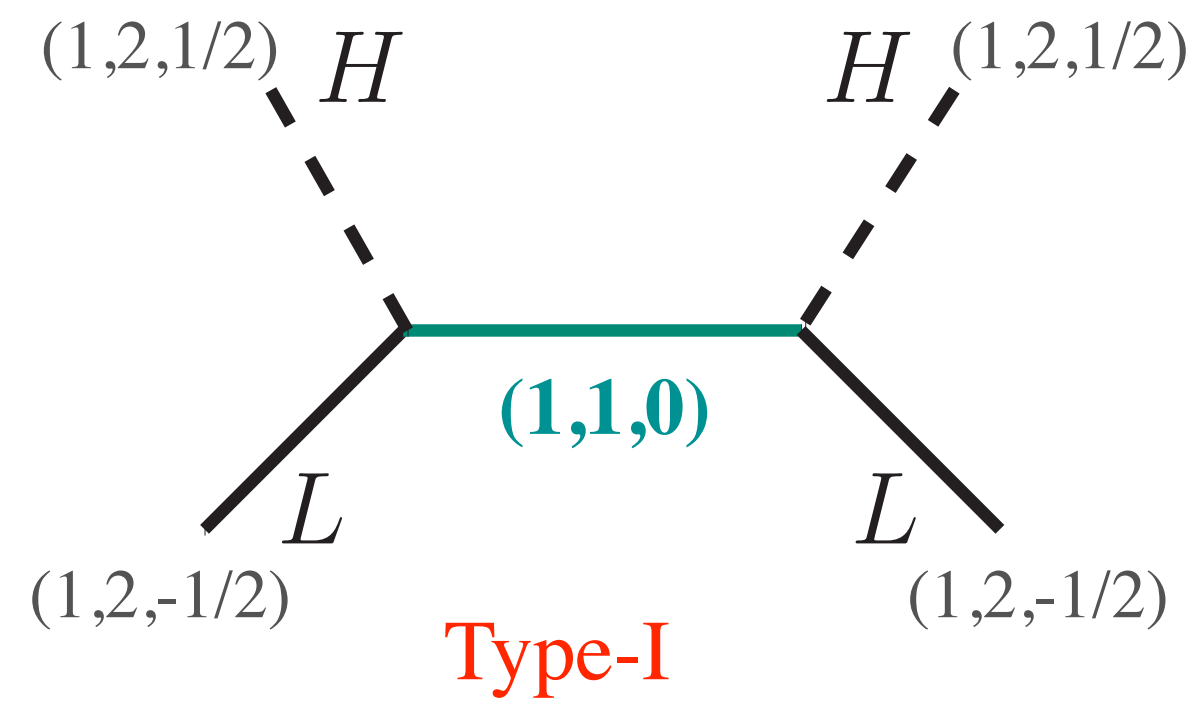
$(SU(3)_C, SU(2)_L, U(1)_Y)$

$H \sim (1, 2, 1/2)$

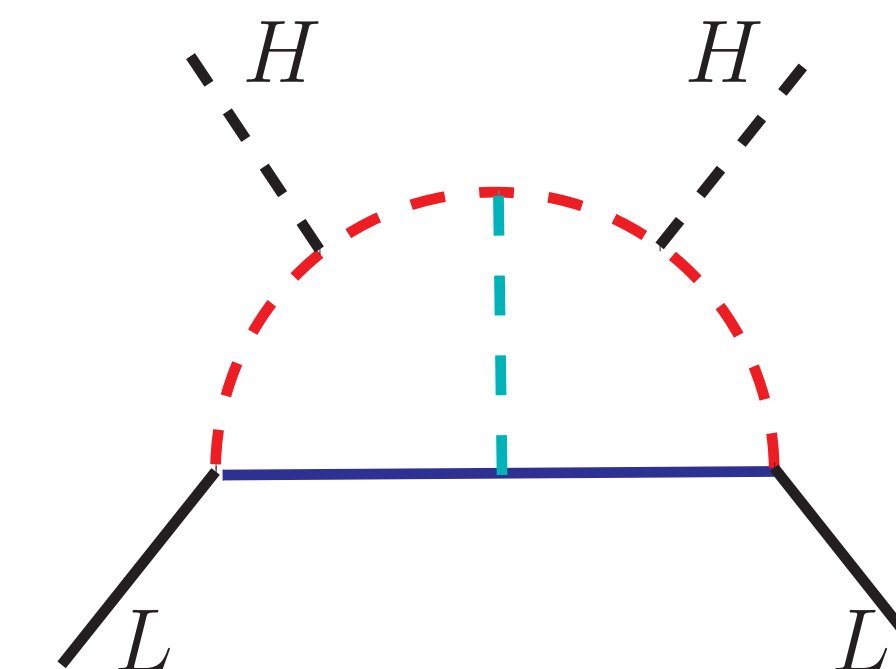
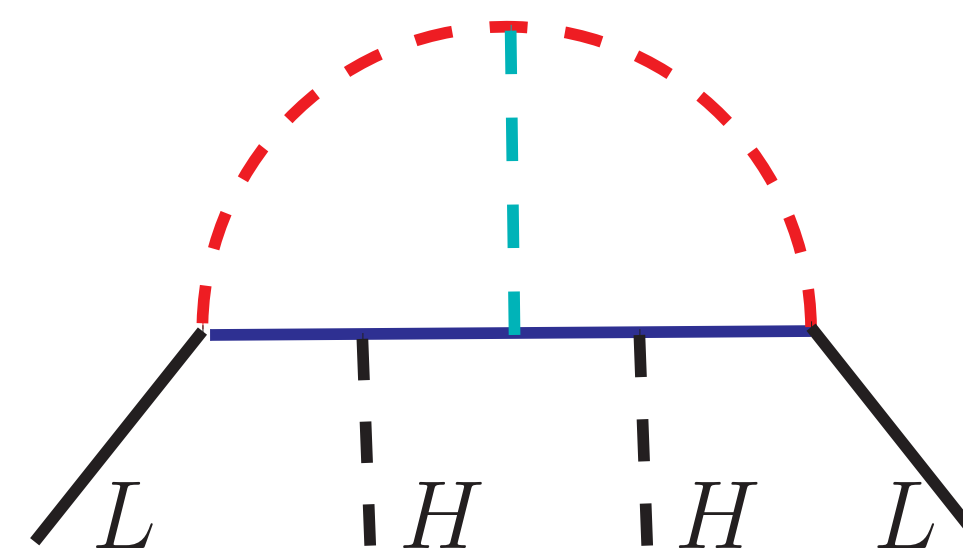
$L \sim (1, 2, -1/2)$



$$\frac{y}{\Lambda} LLHH$$



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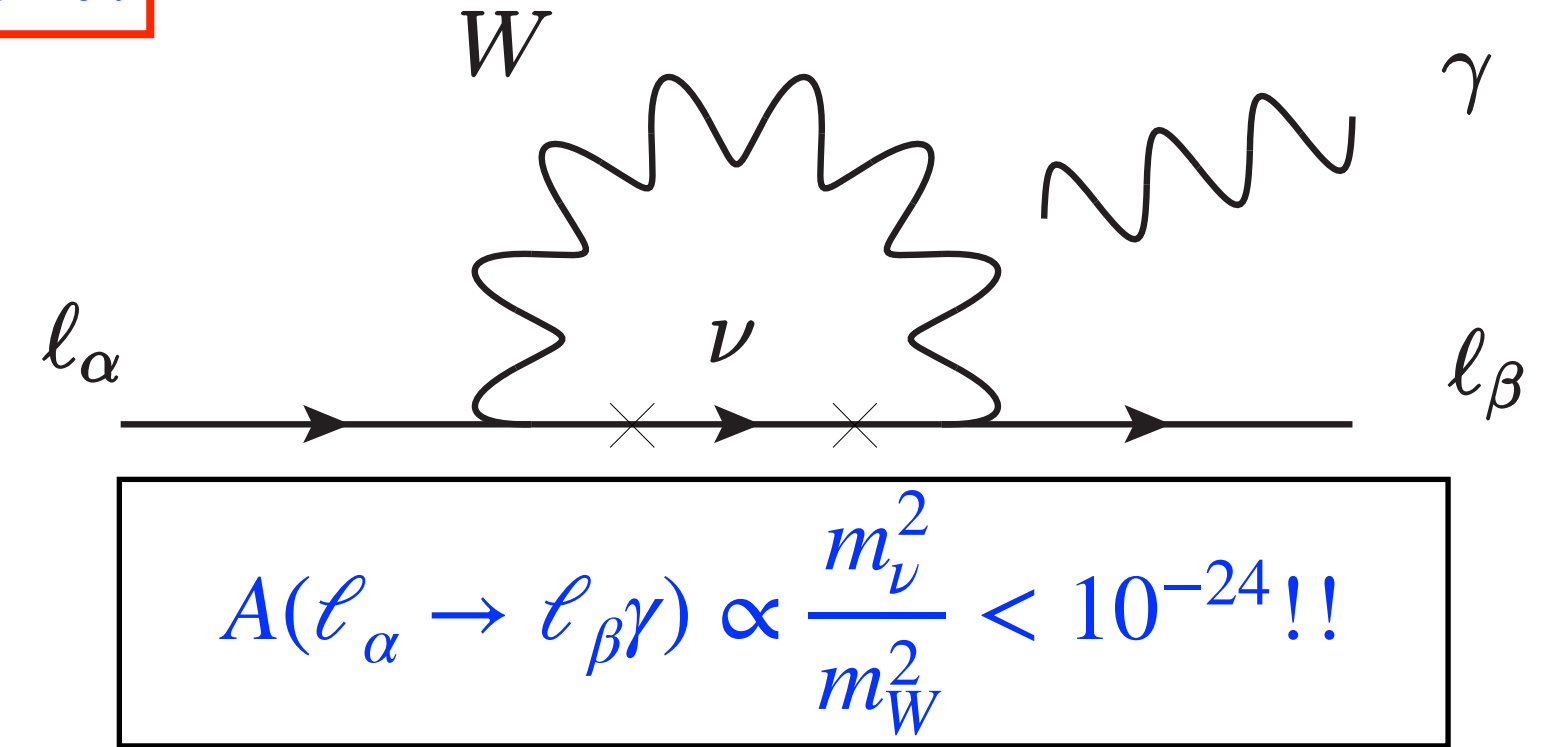
How to test such models?

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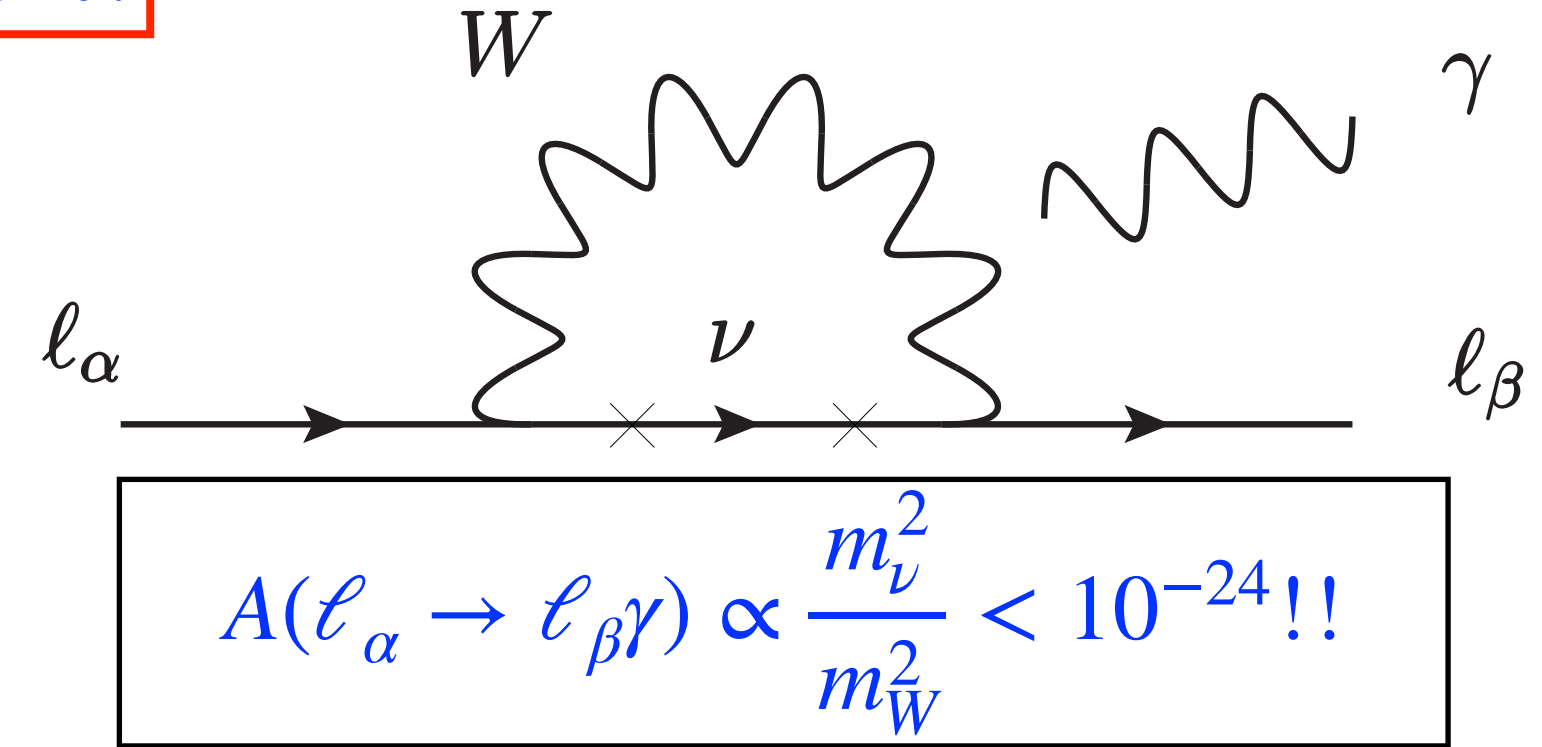


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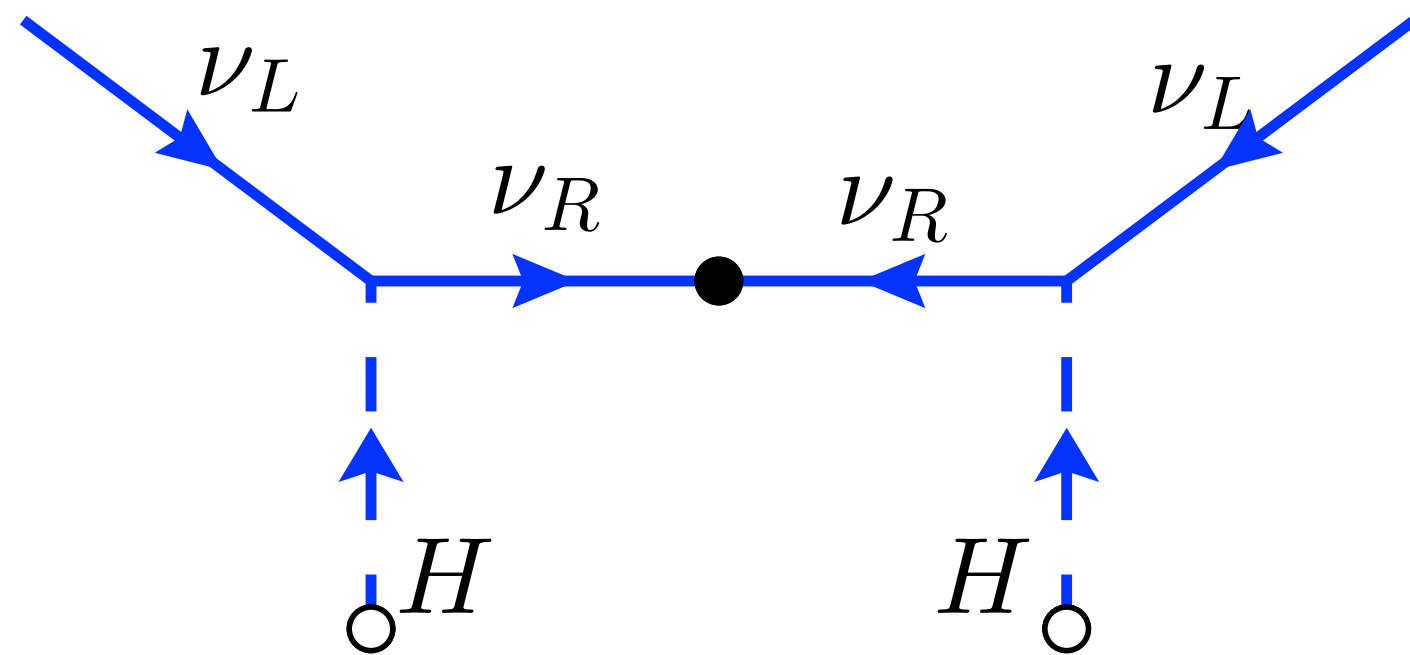
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$$\left\{ 0, 0, 0, \lambda_\pm \equiv \pm \sqrt{\vec{b}^2 + \mu^2} \right\}$$

$$\vec{b} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

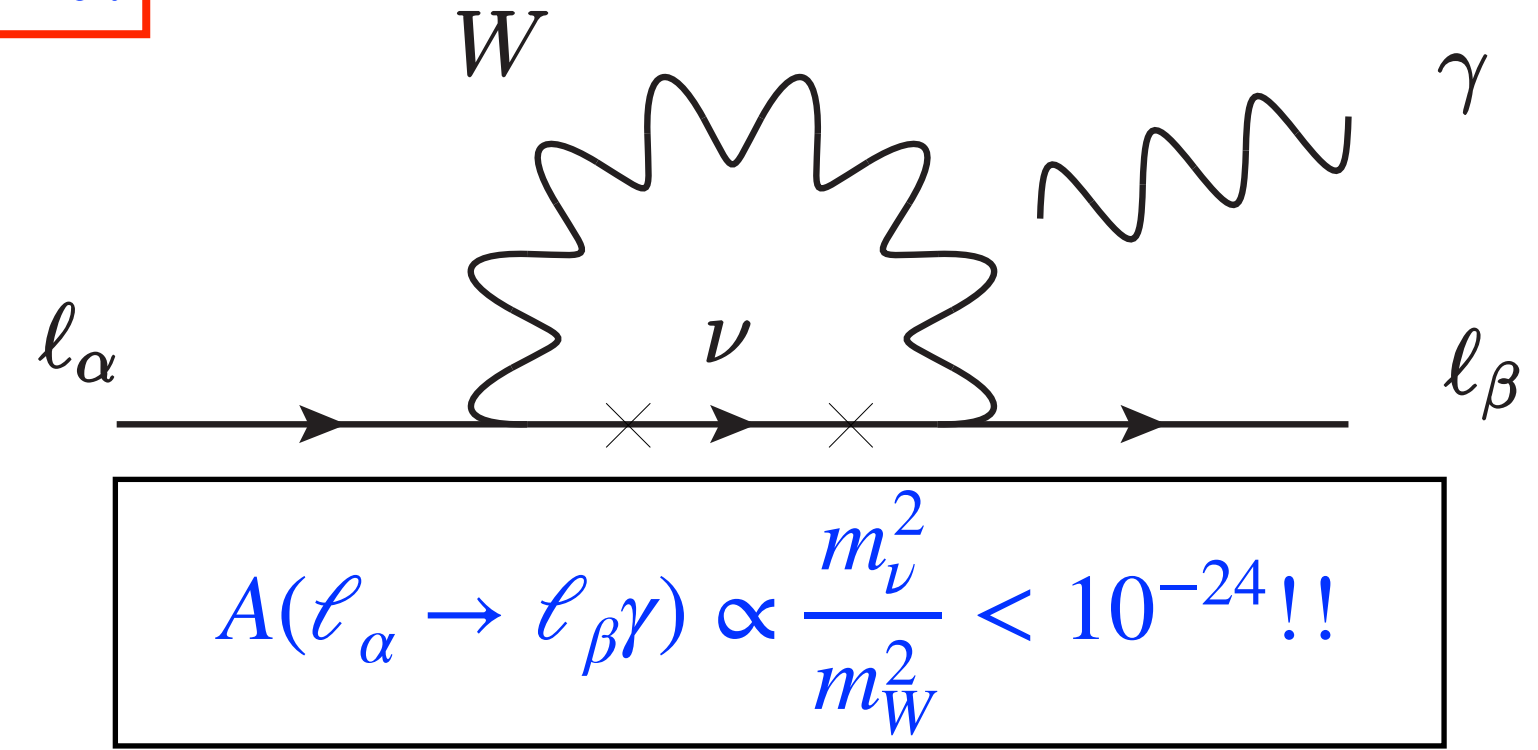
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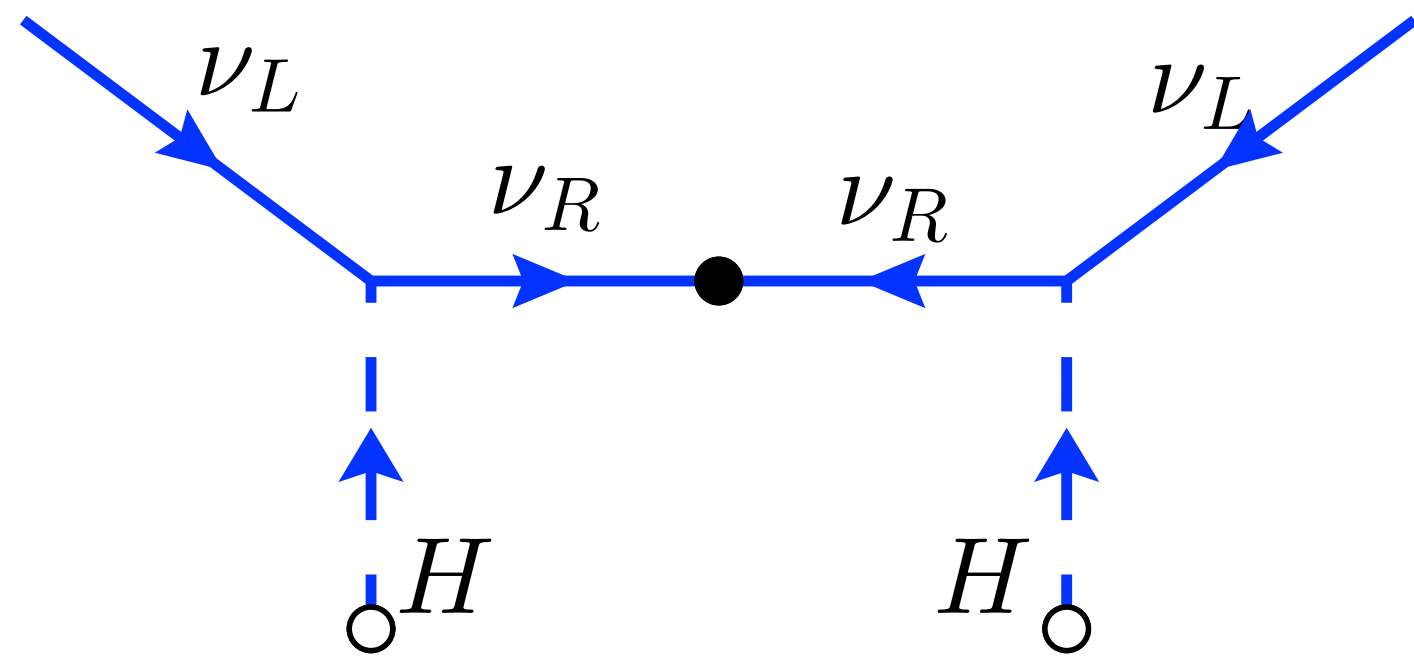
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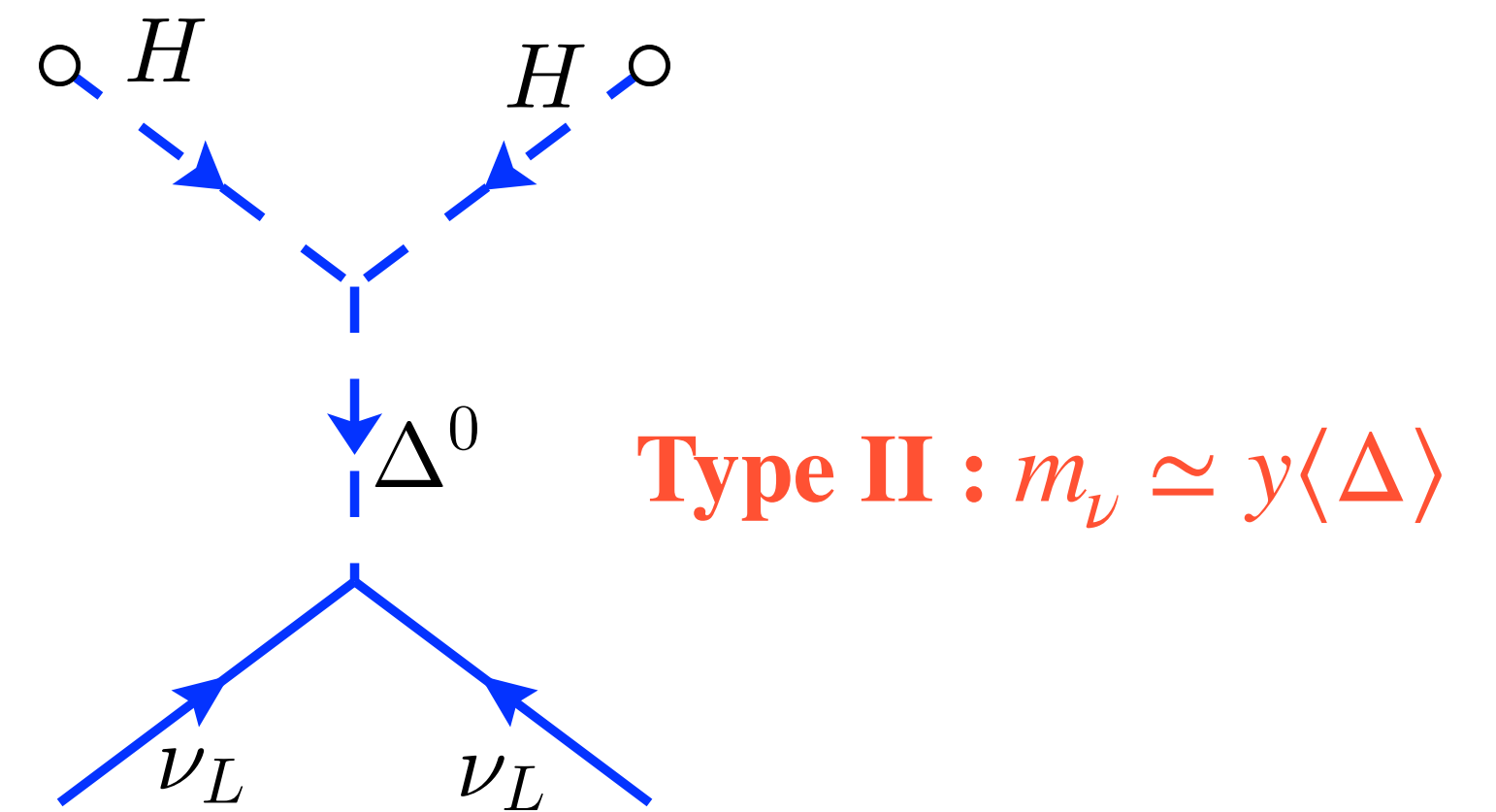
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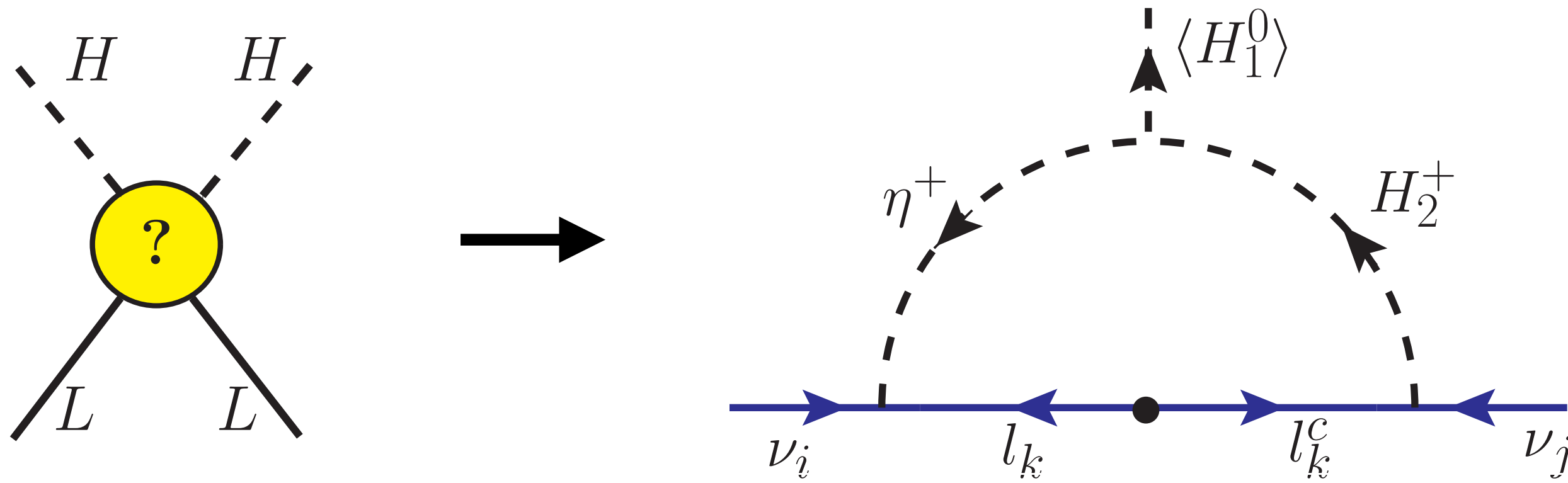


$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma) \simeq 23 \text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e \gamma) \simeq 3.5 \text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma)$
 Prediction of LFV ratios via m_ν

[Chakraborty++, '12]

[Coy, Frigerio, '18; Fan, Thapa, '23]

Example : Zee Model



$$H_1(1,2,1/2) = \begin{pmatrix} G^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v+h+iG^0) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_2(1,2,1/2) = \begin{pmatrix} H^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(H+iA) \end{pmatrix}$$

$\eta^+(1,1,1)$

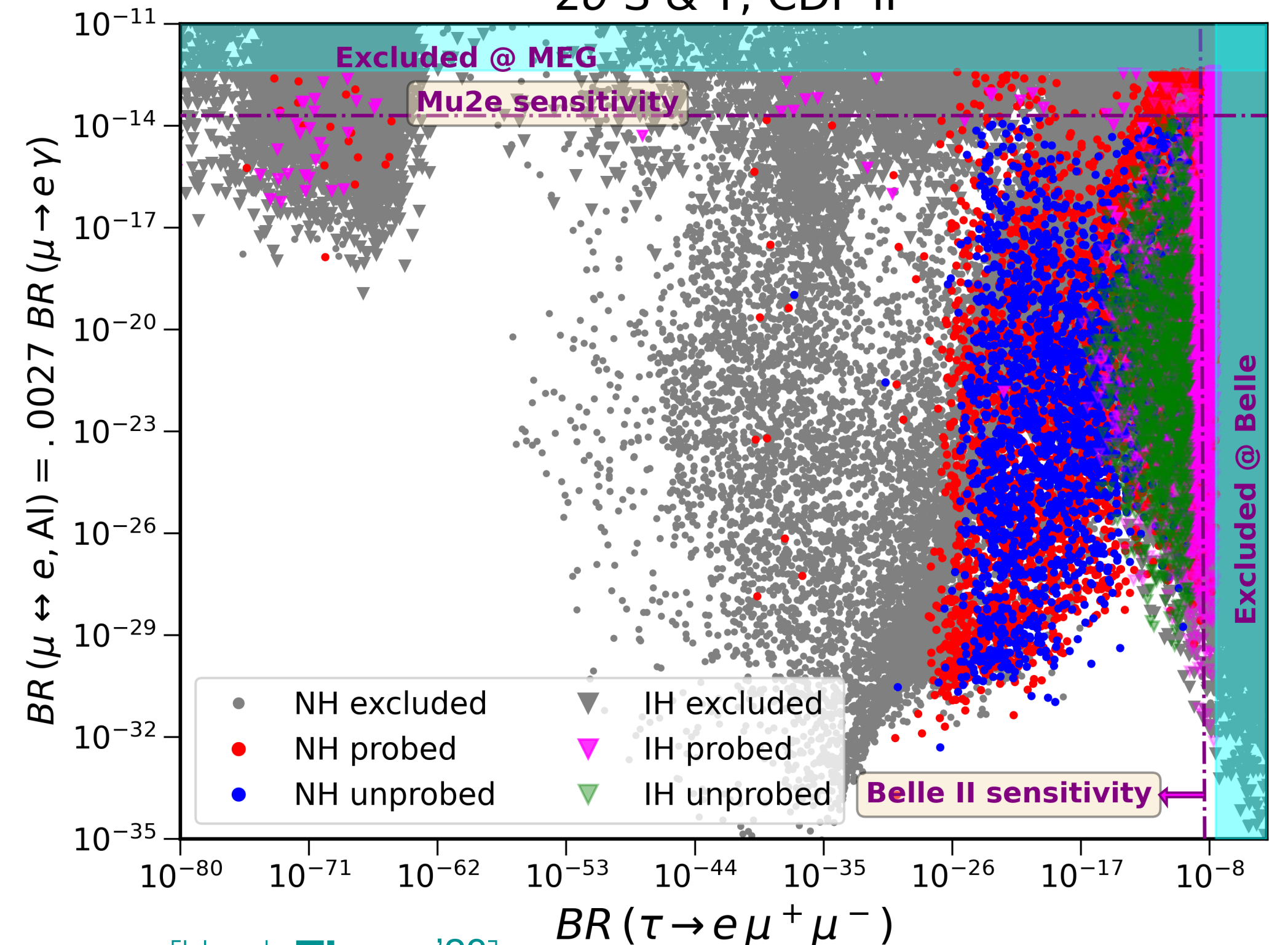
$$M_\nu = \kappa (fM_\ell Y + Y^T M_\ell f^T)$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \sin 2\phi \log \left(\frac{m_{h^+}^2}{m_{H^+}^2} \right)$$

Blue and Green Points:

texture zero	ordering	$\sum_j m_j/\text{meV}$	$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle/\text{meV}$
$M_{ee} = 0$	normal	$\in [60, 65]$	0
$M_{ee} = 0$	inverted	-	-
$M_{\mu\mu} = 0$	normal	> 150	> 41
$M_{\mu\mu} = 0$	inverted	> 98	> 15

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- Neutrino masses are **zero at tree level**: ν_R is absent
- Involves exchange of two scalars **leading to lepton number violation** \implies **Majorana Masses**
- **Smallness of neutrino mass** is explained via **loop** and **chiral suppression**
- **New physics** in this framework may lie at the **TeV scale** if connected to $(g-2)_\mu \implies$ **Prediction for LFV**

[Heeck, Thapa, '23]

- Neutrinos may well be **Dirac particles** just as the electron $\implies \Delta L = 0$ (Lepton number is conserved)
- **Oscillation experiments cannot distinguish Dirac** neutrinos from **Majorana** neutrinos
- **If Dirac** nature \implies important to understand the **smallness of their masses**
- **Dirac leptogenesis** to explain observed **baryon asymmetry** is an attractive feature
[Dick, Lindner, Ratz, Wrig, '99]
- **Dirac seesaw** can be achieved in **Mirror Models**
[Lee, Yang '56; Foot, Volkas '95; Berezhiani, Mohapatra '95, Silagadze '97]
- **Dirac neutrinos from left-right symmetric theory and GUT**

Dirac Neutrinos from Left-Right Symmetry

- Gauge symmetry is extended to:

$$SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes SU(2)_R \otimes U(1)_X$$

- Fermion representation:

$$Q_L (3,2,1,1/3) = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix} \quad Q_R (3,1,2,1/3) = \begin{pmatrix} u_R \\ d_R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L_L (1,2,1,-1) = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix} \quad L_R (1,1,2,-1) = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_R \\ e_R \end{pmatrix}$$

- Higgs sector for symmetry breaking is very simple:

$$H_L (1,2,1,1) = \begin{pmatrix} H_L^+ \\ H_L^0 \end{pmatrix}_L \quad H_R (1,1,2,1) = \begin{pmatrix} H_R^+ \\ H_R^0 \end{pmatrix}_R$$

$$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_X \xrightarrow{\langle H_R^0 \rangle} SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \xrightarrow{\langle H_L^0 \rangle} U(1)_{EM}$$

Standard LR Higgs fields

$$\begin{aligned} &\Phi(1,2,2,0) \\ &\Delta_L(1,3,1,0) \\ &\Delta_R(1,1,3,0) \end{aligned}$$

- Parity symmetry is spontaneously broken

Dirac Neutrinos from Left-Right Symmetry

- Vector-like fermion introduced to realize “seesaw” for charged fermion masses

$$U (3,1,1,4/3), \quad D (3,1,1, - 2/3), \quad E (1,1,1, - 2) \quad [\text{Davidson, Wali '87}]$$

$$M_F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y \kappa_L \\ y^\dagger \kappa_R & M \end{pmatrix} \implies m_f \approx \frac{y^2 \kappa_L \kappa_R}{M}$$

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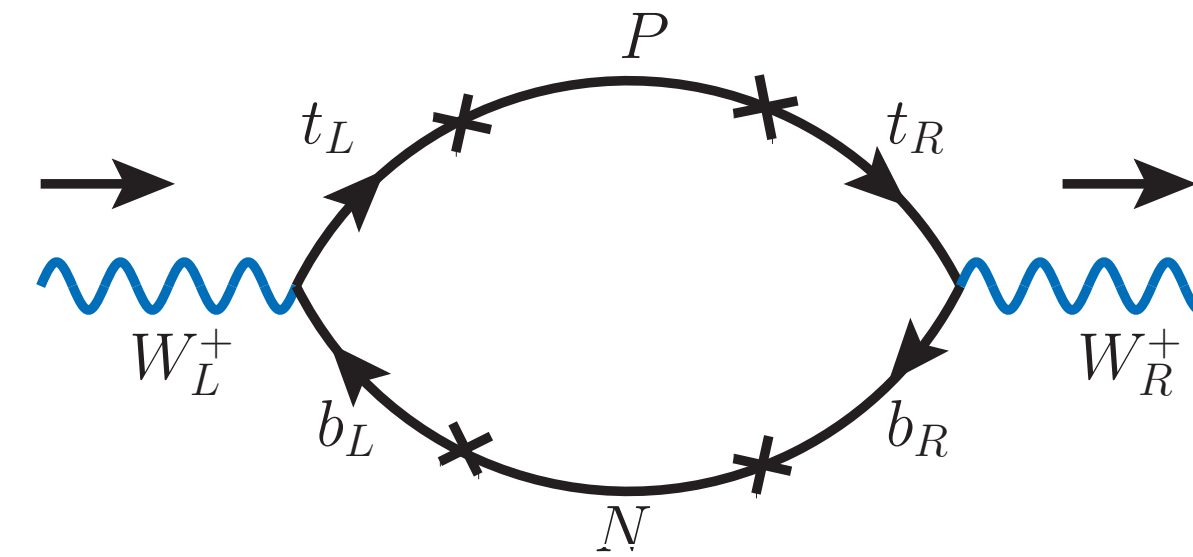
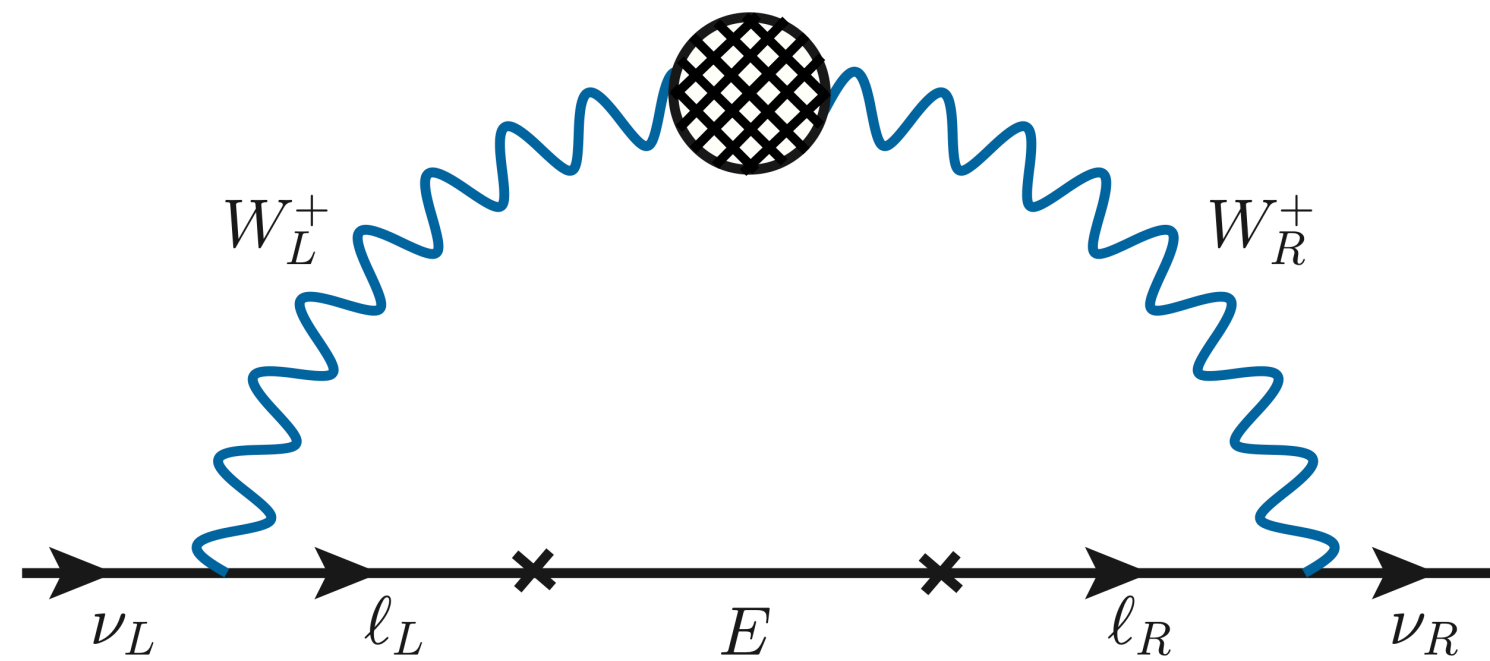
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- $W_L^+ \leftrightarrow W_R^+$ mixing is absent at the tree level
- $W_L^+ \leftrightarrow W_R^+$ mixing is induced at the loop level, which in turn induces two-loop Dirac masses for neutrino [Babu, He '89]



$$\xi \approx \frac{\alpha}{4\pi \sin^2 \theta_W} \frac{m_b m_t}{M_{W_R}^2}$$

$$M_{\nu D} = \frac{-g^4}{2} y_t^2 y_b^2 y_\ell^2 \kappa_L^3 \kappa_R^3 \frac{r M_P M_N M_{E\ell}}{M_{W_L}^2 M_{W_R}^2} I_{E\ell}$$

- Flavor structure of the the two loop need to be studied to check its consistency with oscillation data [Babu, He, Su, Thapa '22]

Fit to Oscillation Data

$$M_{\nu D} = y_\ell M_E I_E y_\ell^\dagger$$

- Enough parameters to fit oscillation data
- Both normal and inverted ordering allowed
- Dirac CP phase is not constrained
- No neutrinoless double beta decay
- Left-right symmetry breaking is not constrained

Oscillation parameters	3 σ range NuFit5.1	Model prediction			
		BP I (NH)	BP II (NH)	BP III (IH)	BP IV (IH)
$\Delta m_{21}^2 (10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2)$	6.82 - 8.04	7.42	7.38	7.35	7.35
$\Delta m_{23}^2 (10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ (IH)	2.410 - 2.574	-	-	2.48	2.52
$\Delta m_{31}^2 (10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ (NH)	2.43 - 2.593	2.49	2.51	-	-
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	0.269 - 0.343	0.324	0.301	0.306	0.310
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ (IH)	0.410 - 0.613	-	-	0.510	0.550
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ (NH)	0.408 - 0.603	0.491	0.533	-	-
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ (IH)	0.02055 - 0.02457	-	-	0.0219	0.0213
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ (NH)	0.02060 - 0.02435	0.0234	0.0213	-	-
δ_{CP} (IH)	192 - 361	-	-	236°	279°
δ_{CP} (NH)	105 - 405	199°	280°	-	-
$m_{\text{light}} (10^{-3}) \text{ eV}$		0.66	2.04	14.1	8.50
M_{E1}/M_{WR}		917	45.5	1936	1990
M_{E2}/M_{WR}		0.650	0.43	0.12	0.11
M_{E3}/M_{WR}		0.019	0.029	0.015	0.012

[Babu, He, Su, Thapa 2205.09127]

- Universal left-right symmetric theory can solve strong CP problem without the need for an axion
- Model can be tested through N_{eff}

Testing Dirac Neutrinos with N_{eff}

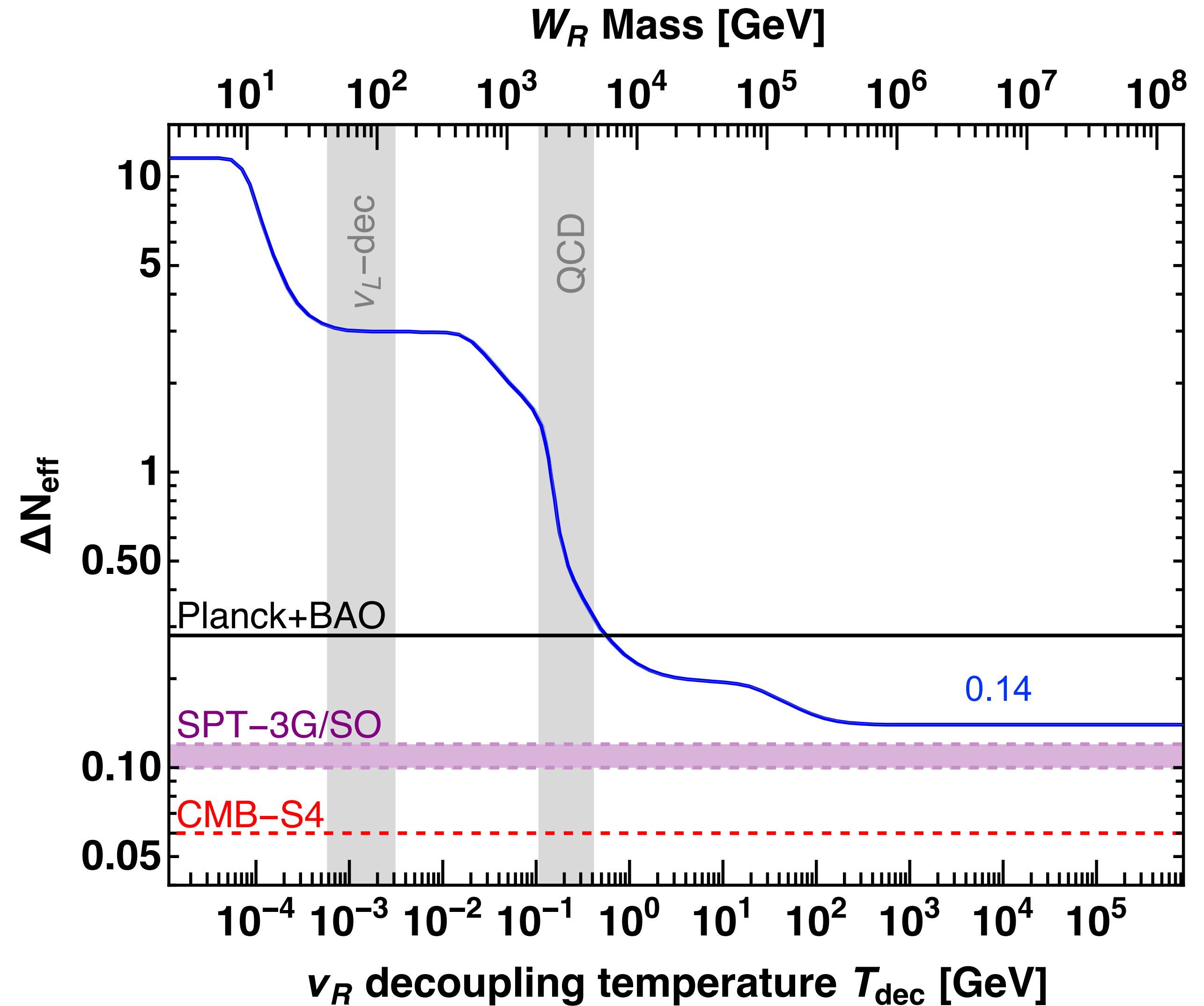
- **CMB** is sensitive to extra radiation density arising from new extra degrees of freedom that were in thermal equilibrium with the SM plasma
- ν_R (ultra-light new particles, new degrees of freedom) couples to other particles and contributes to additional radiation density in early universe.
- The effect of such light particles is parameterized as ΔN_{eff} and is measured in units of extra neutrino degrees of freedom
- Dirac neutrino modes of this type will modify N_{eff} by about 0.14

$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \simeq 0.027 \left(\frac{106.75}{g_{\star}(T_{\text{dec}})} \right)^{4/3} g_{\text{eff}}$$
$$g_{\text{eff}} = (7/8) \times (2) \times (3) = 21/4$$

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Dirac Neutrino in Cosmology

- In SM $N_{\text{eff}} \simeq 3$
- Improvement on ΔN_{eff} in **CMB-S4**
- Valid for 3 ν_R were in **thermal equilibrium** with SM
- This gives **strong constraints** for any (e.g., LR model) **Dirac neutrino mass model**
- Planck+BAO sets a lower limit of **7 TeV** on W_R mass



[Heeck, Abazajian '19; Babu, He, Su, Thapa '22]

- Can we embed this version of the LR model into GUT while preserving the Dirac nature for neutrinos?
- Any predictions in neutrino oscillation (normal vs inverted, Dirac CP, ...)?
- Can we still solve the strong CP problem?
- What else can the model do?

Embedding in $SU(5)_L \times SU(5)_R$

- The fermion spectrum of the model has a **natural embedding** in $SU(5)_L \times SU(5)_R$ unification
- All **left-handed (right-handed)** fermions of the SM fit into $\mathbf{10} + \bar{\mathbf{5}}$ of $SU(5)_L$ ($SU(5)_R$)
- The remaining **vector-like quarks and leptons** fill rest of the multiples

$$\psi_{L,R} = \begin{pmatrix} D_1^c \\ D_2^c \\ D_3^c \\ e \\ -\nu \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} D \\ \\ \\ L_{L,R} \\ L,R \end{matrix}$$

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- **Parity** can be imposed under which $\psi_L \leftrightarrow \psi_R$ and $\chi_L \leftrightarrow \chi_R$

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$$\{H_L(5,1) + H_R(1,5)\}, \quad \Phi(\bar{5}, 5),$$

Required for fermion mass generation

Required for symmetry breaking

[Babu, Mohapatra, **Thapa**, '24]

$$\eta(\bar{15}, 15)$$

Required for gauge coupling unification

Why not $(\bar{10}, 10)$?

- > allows rapid proton decay
- > spoils strong CP
- > makes g_{5R} nonperturbative

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &SU(5)_L \times SU(5)_R \\
 &\quad \downarrow M_G \sim \langle \Sigma_L \rangle \\
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 &\quad \downarrow M_I \sim \langle \Phi \rangle, \langle H_R \rangle \\
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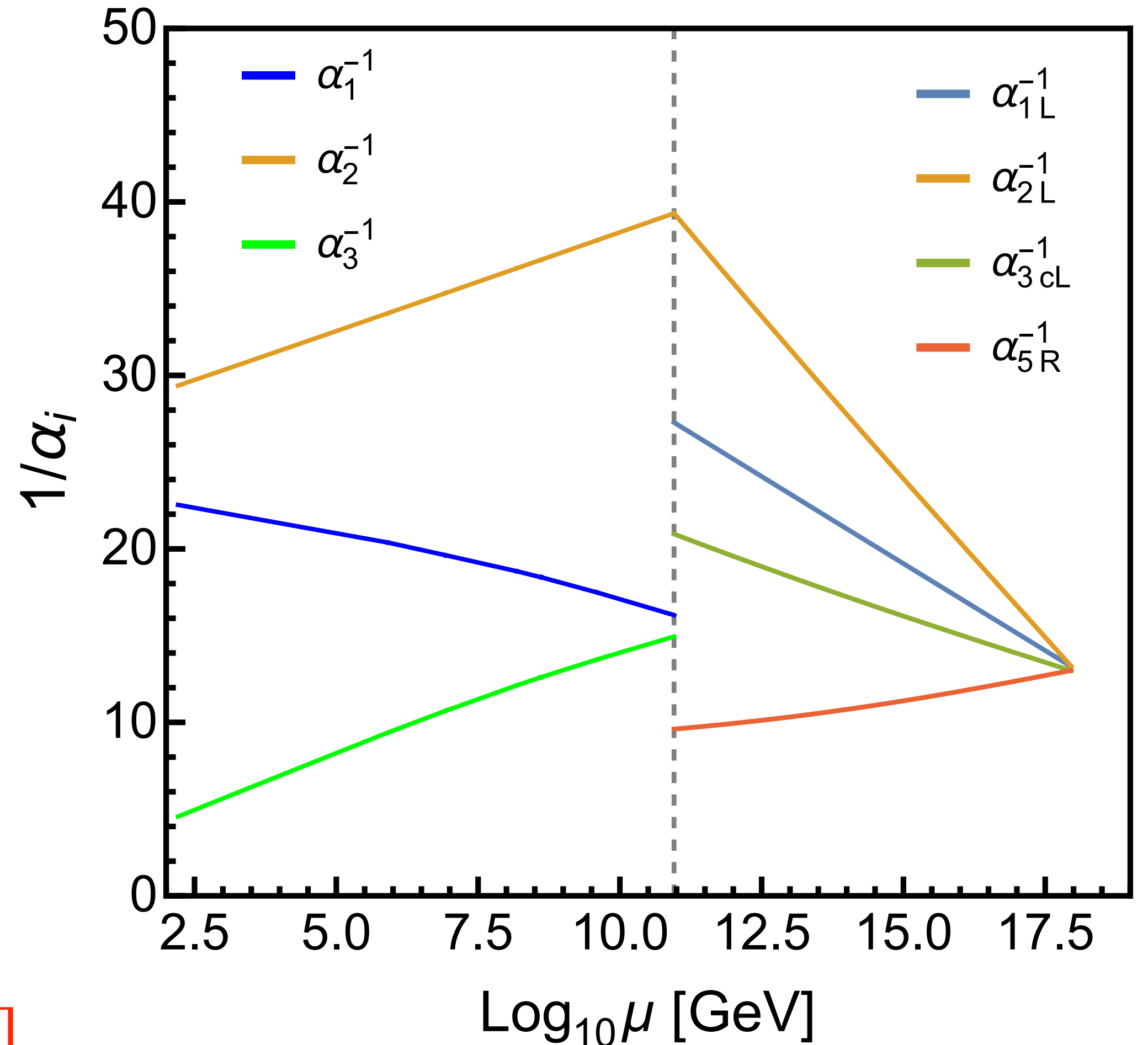
- The evolution of the gauge couplings are governed by the following RGEs

$$16\pi^2 \frac{dg_i}{dt} = g_i^3 b_i + \frac{g_i^3}{16\pi^2} \left[\sum_j b_{ij} g_j^2 - \sum_k C_{ik} \text{Tr} (Y_k^\dagger Y_k) \right]$$

- $\sin^2 \theta_W$ at one-loop accuracy (ignoring threshold effect from VLF)

$$\sin^2 \theta_W(m_t) = \frac{3}{16} \left[1 + \frac{\alpha}{6\pi} \left\{ -\frac{185}{3} \log \frac{M_I}{m_t} + (46 + \boxed{39}) \log \frac{M_G}{M_I} \right\} \right]$$

$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{2}, -1/6, \mathbf{15}) \supset (\bar{\mathbf{15}}, \mathbf{15})$



$$\begin{aligned}
 M_I &= 9.02 \times 10^{10} \text{ GeV} \\
 M_G &= 8.0 \times 10^{17} \text{ GeV} \\
 \alpha_G^{-1} &= 13.18
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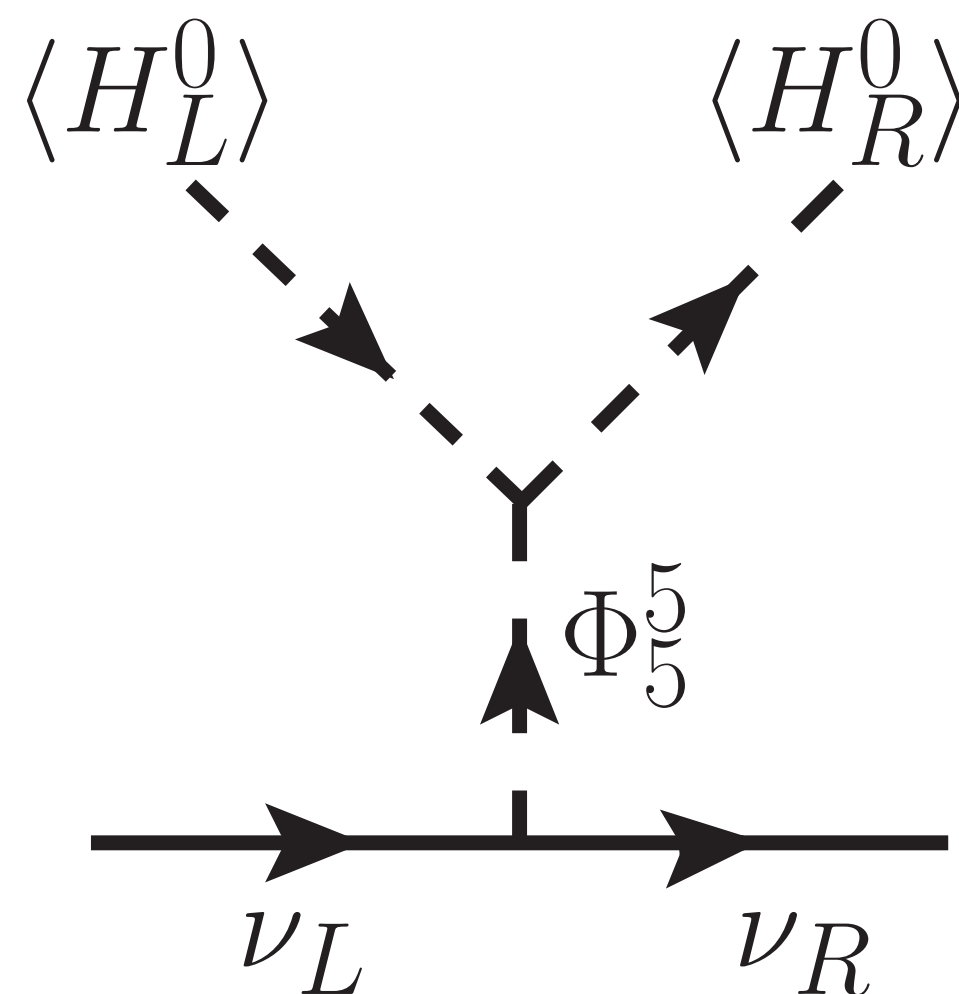
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- Small **Dirac neutrinos** masses are induced naturally at the tree level via **type-II Dirac seesaw**



$$\mathcal{L}_{\nu\text{-mass}}^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{\bar{\nu}_L \nu_R \langle H_L^0 \rangle \langle H_R^0 \rangle}{M_G} \implies Y_\nu^{\text{Dirac}} \sim \frac{M_I}{M_G} \approx 10^{-7}$$

Majorana mass for ν_R is forbidden by unbroken $B - L$ symmetry

Predictions for Neutrino Oscillations

- In the basis where Y_u and Y_ℓ are **diagonal**, down-type quark mass matrix M_d read as

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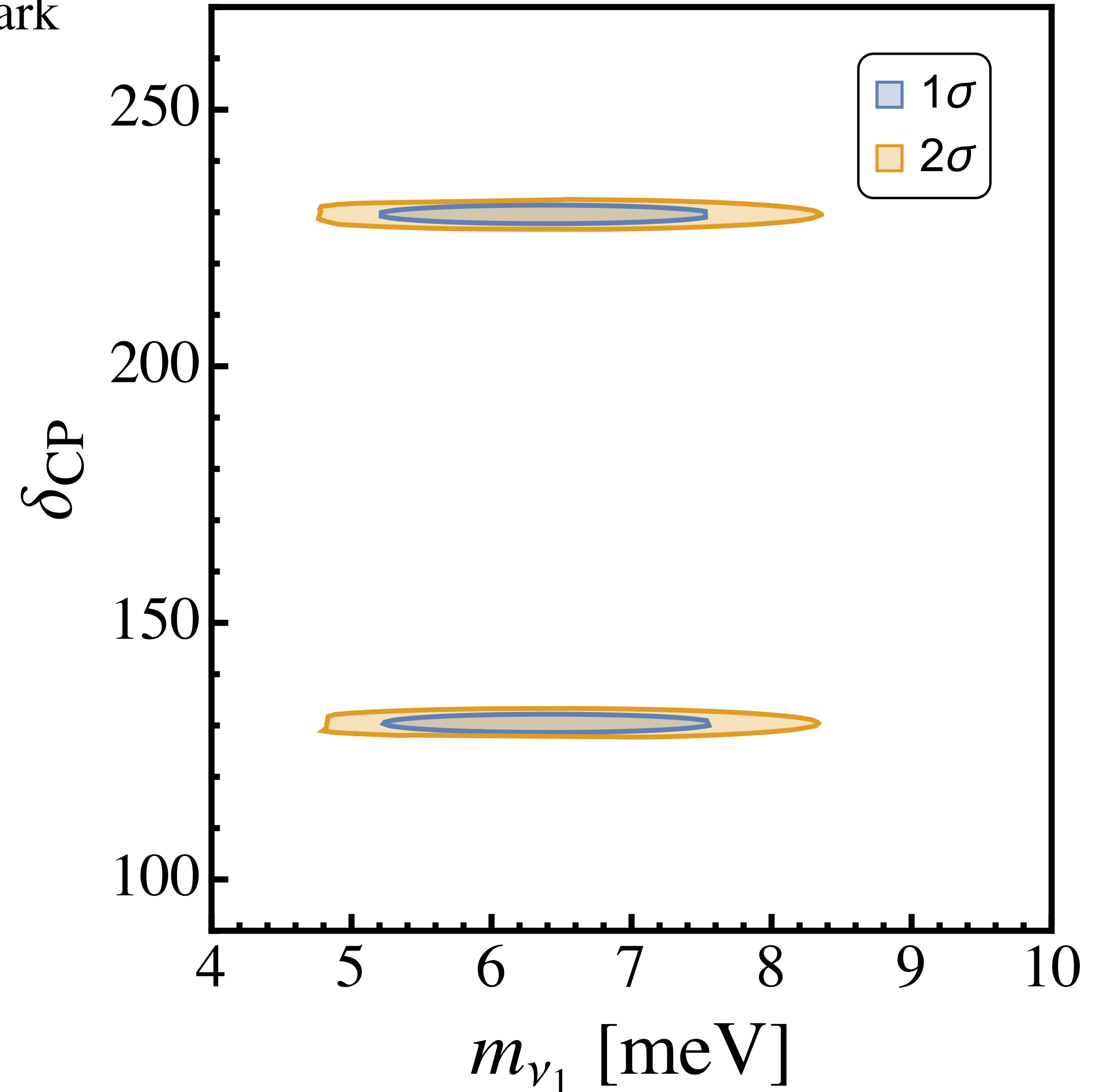
- Only **one parameter** in M_d to fit three light down-quark masses

\implies Predicts δ_{CP} and lightest neutrino mass m_{ν_1}

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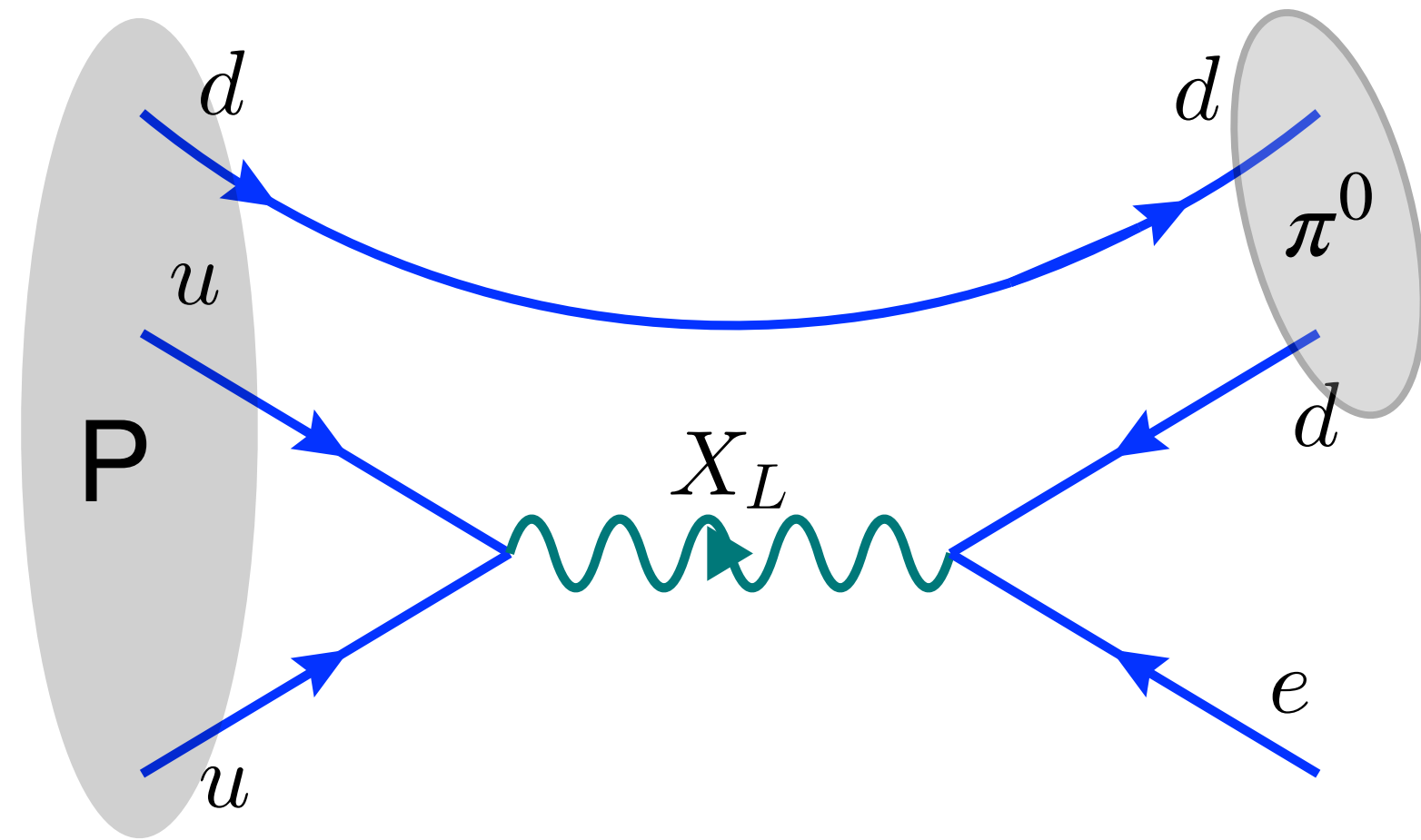
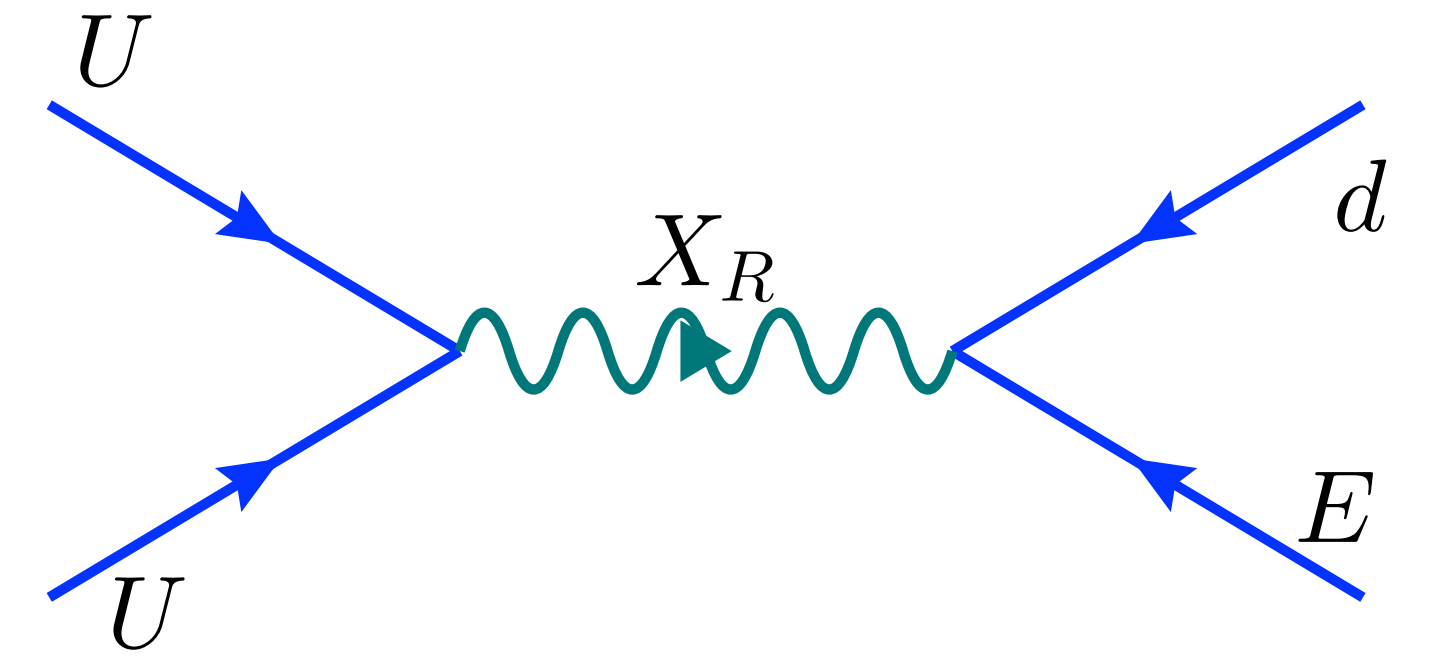
\implies Only **normal hierarchy**



[Babu, Mohapatra, Thapa, '24]

Proton Decay

- Gauge bosons of $SU(5)_R$ with masses $M_{X_R, Y_R} \simeq M_I \sim 10^{11}$ GeV do not lead to proton decay owing to the structure of the zeros in (2,2) blocks of M_u and M_ℓ
- These couplings involve at least one heavy field
- Same is true with $H_R(1,5)$ Higgs field which has mass of order M_I



- B -violating interactions of X_L and Y_L gauge bosons of $SU(5)_L$ with masses of order $M_G = (7 \times 10^{16} - 8 \times 10^{17})$ GeV mediate proton decay.
- The leading decay mode of proton is $p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$ with lifetime $\tau_p \approx (10^{38} - 10^{42})$ years. (Well beyond the reach of forthcoming experiments like JUNO, Hyperkamiokande, and DUNE)

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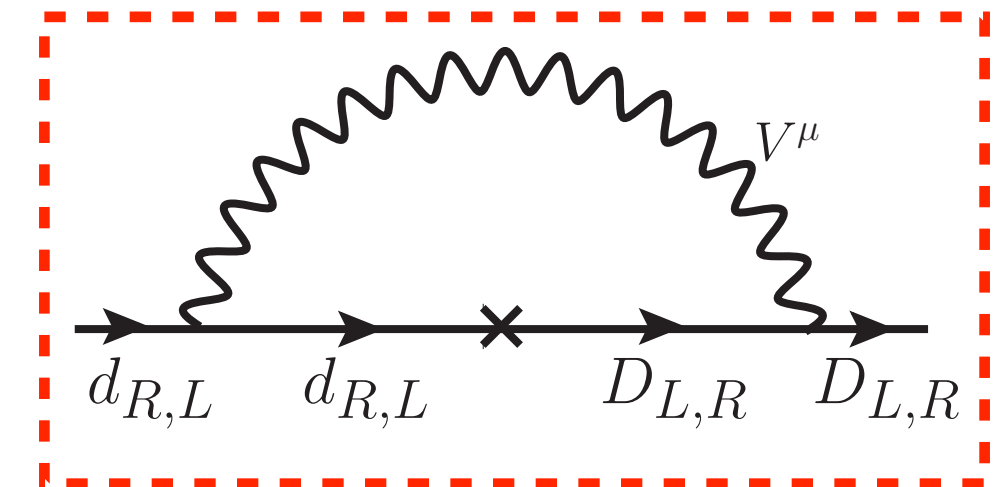
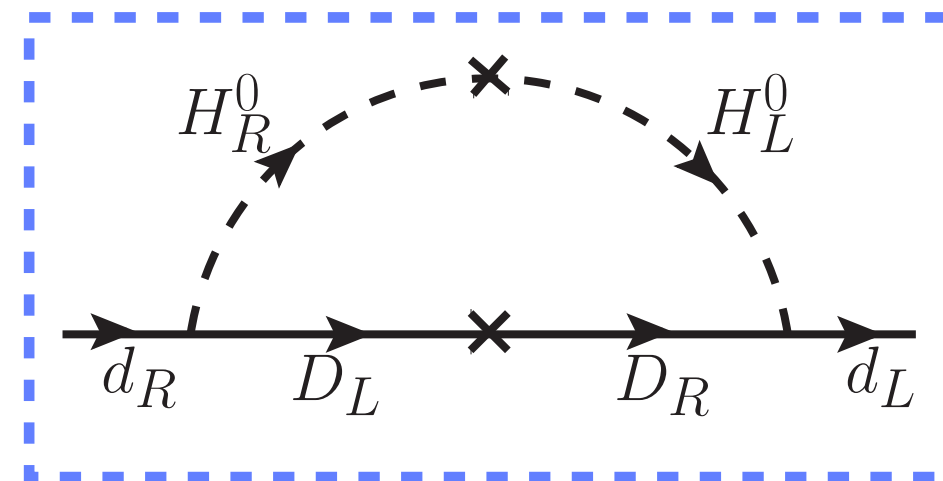
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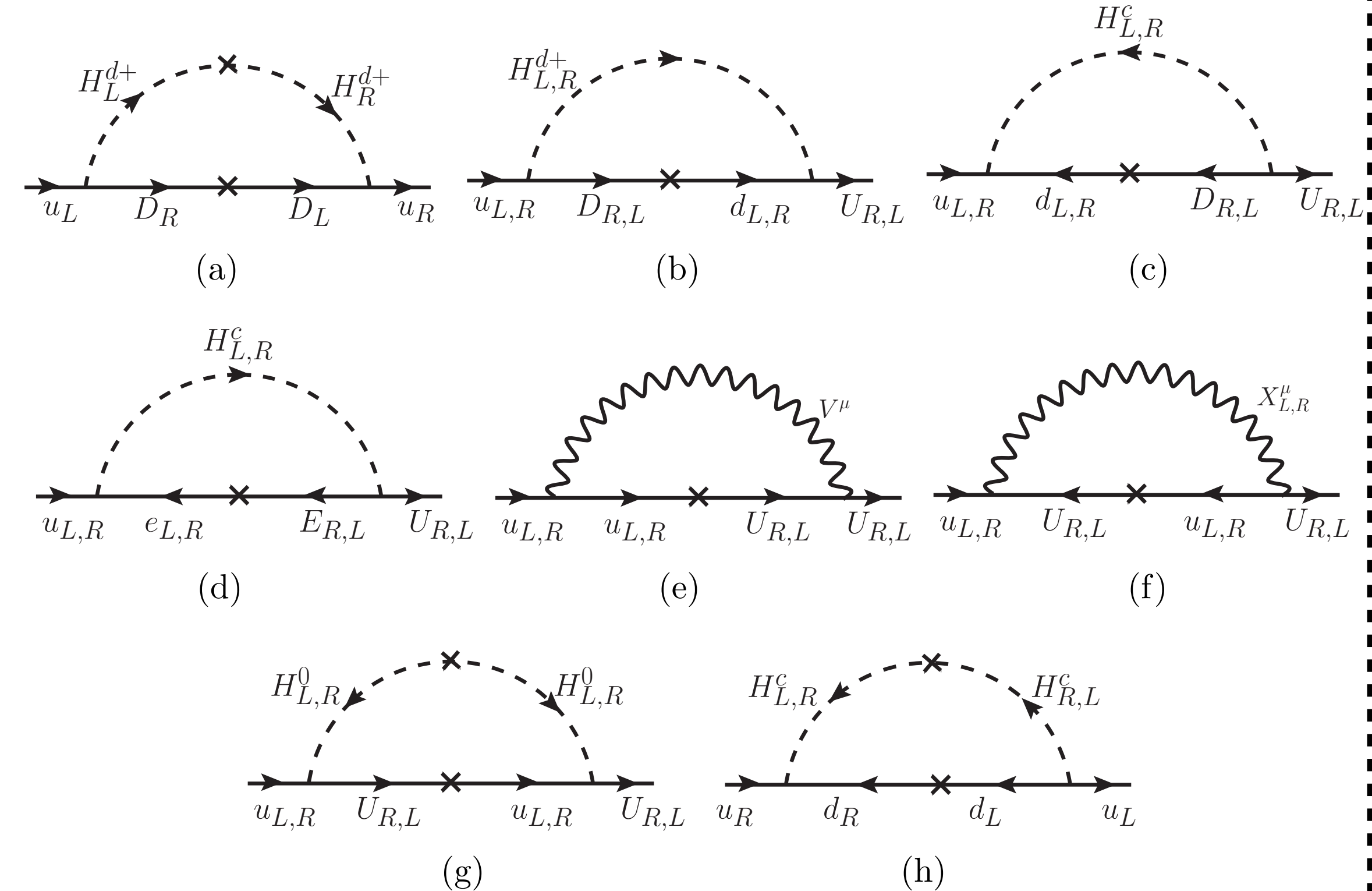
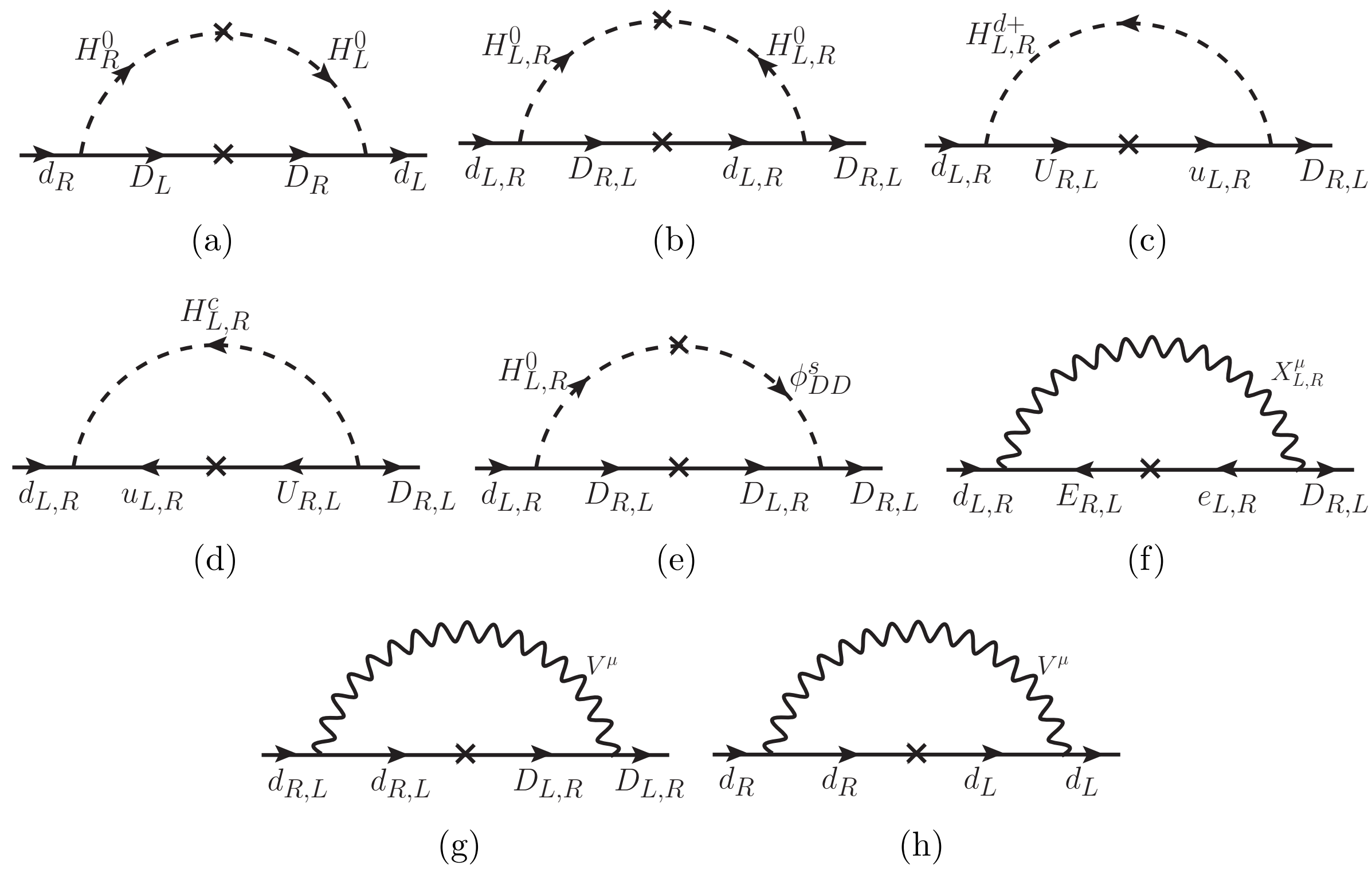
- $\bar{\theta}$ is given by

$$\bar{\theta} = \text{Im Tr} C_1 + \text{Im Tr} (C_2 - \frac{1}{2} C_1^2) + \dots$$

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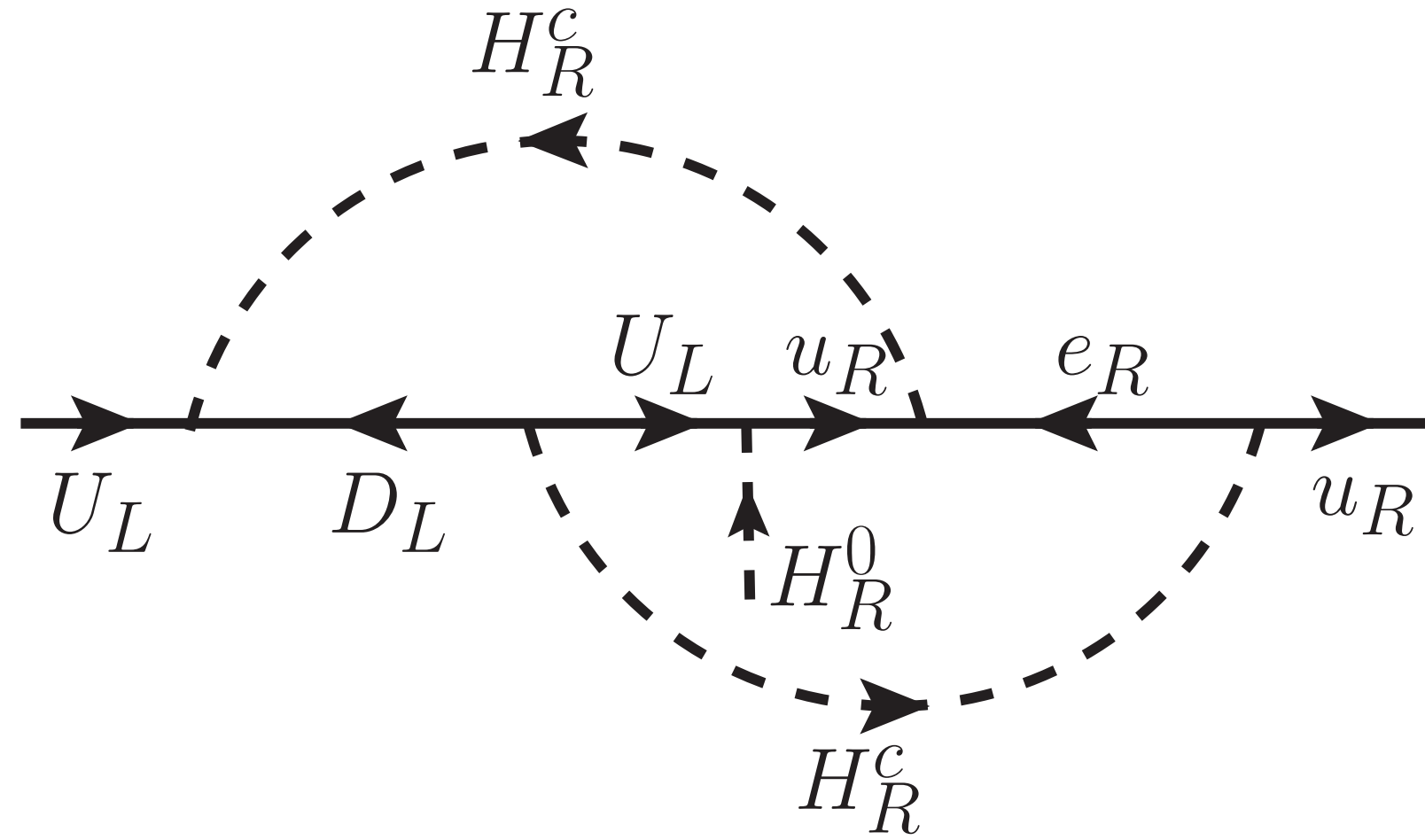
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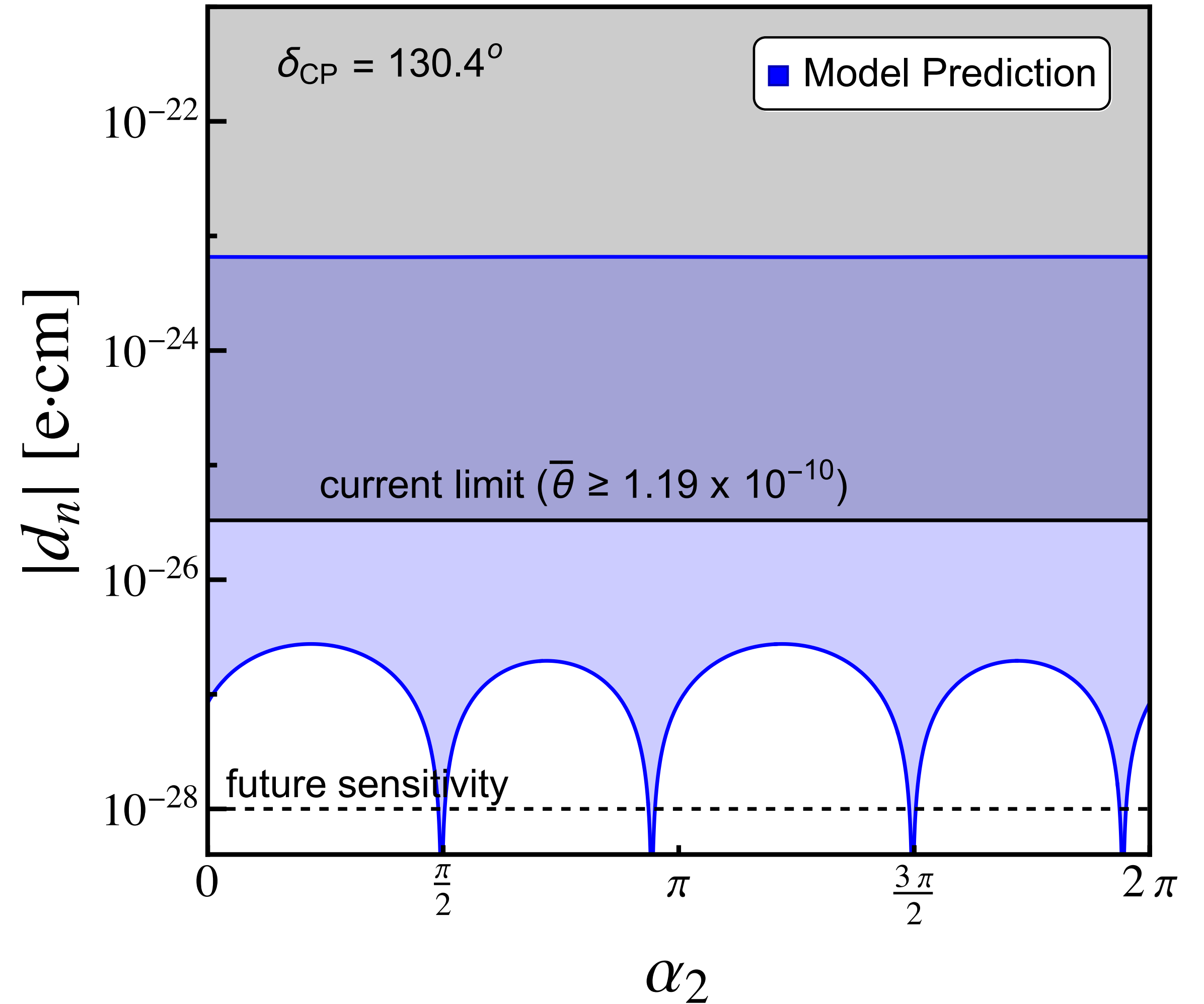
Two loop contribution to $\bar{\theta}$



$$\bar{\theta} \approx \frac{8}{(4\pi)^4} \text{Im Tr} \left[Q^* U_{\text{PMNS}}^\dagger \hat{Y}_\ell^2 U_{\text{PMNS}} Q^2 \hat{Y}_u U_{\text{PMNS}}^T \hat{Y}_\ell^2 U_{\text{PMNS}}^* (\hat{Y}_u)^{-1} \right] \ln \left(\frac{M_{H_L^c}}{M_{H_R^c}} \right)$$

All parameters are known expect for

$$Q = \text{diag.} (e^{i\alpha_1}, e^{i\alpha_2}, 1) \text{ with } \alpha_1 = 0.128 + n\pi/2 \text{ (} n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \text{)}$$



Summary

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 $\bar{\theta} = 0$ at tree level and one-loop level.
- No $0\nu\beta\beta$ and suppressed proton decay

Thank you for your time

Backup Slides

Renormalization group evolution of $\bar{\theta}$

- There is the possibility that **extrapolation of the Yukawa couplings by the RGE from the GUT scale to the weak scale could generate a nonzero $\bar{\theta}$**
- The induced $\bar{\theta}$ via RGE from the up-quark sector read as

$$\delta(\bar{\theta}) = \text{Im Tr} \left[\frac{d}{dt} \left(Y_{uL} Y_{uR}^\dagger \right) \left(Y_{uL} Y_{uL}^\dagger \right)^{-1} \right]$$

$$\beta^{(1)}(Y_{uL}) = +\frac{3}{2} Y_{uL} Y_{uL}^\dagger Y_{uL} - \frac{3}{2} Y_{dL} Y_{dL}^\dagger Y_{uL} + 3 \text{Tr} \left(Y_{uL}^\dagger Y_{uL} \right) Y_{uL} + 3 \text{Tr} \left(Y_{dL}^\dagger Y_{dL} \right) Y_{uL} + \text{Tr} \left(Y_{lL}^\dagger Y_{lL} \right) Y_{uL} - \frac{17}{20} g_{1L}^2 Y_{uL} - \frac{9}{4} g_{2L}^2 Y_{uL} - 8 g_{3L}^2 Y_{uL}$$

$$\vdots$$

- $\frac{d}{dt} \left(Y_{uL} Y_{uR}^\dagger \right)$ is a hermitian matrix \implies does not generate $\bar{\theta}$ if the initial $\bar{\theta}$ is zero

Fermion mass fitting

- Redefine the down-type quarks (d, D) and the charged leptons (e, E) to go from the original basis to new basis such that \hat{M}_ℓ and \hat{M}_u are diagonal

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$$\xi_L^\dagger M_d \xi_R = \text{diag.} \left(m_d, m_s, m_b, m_{D_1}, m_{D_2}, m_{D_3} \right) \text{ where } \xi_{L,R} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^{11} & \xi^{12} \\ \xi^{21} & \xi^{22} \end{pmatrix}_{L,R}$$

- **CKM matrix** is given by $V_{\text{CKM}} = P'^* V_R P^* \xi_L^{11} Q'^*$

unspecified unitary matrix V_R , thus V_{CKM} is unconstrained

$m_{D_1} (M_I) = 1.05 \times 10^7 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{D_2} (M_I) = 1.62 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{D_3} (M_I) = 4.38 \times 10^9 \text{ GeV}$
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