

## Right-Handed Neutrinos and T-Violating, P-Conserving Interactions

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## Outline

- P-even, T-odd physics in  $\beta$ -decay
- Direct and indirect bounds
- Effective field theory descriptions
- Analysis of dim-6 operators with/without right-handed neutrinos
- Summary

## Why Study T-violation?

- Sakharov criteria for baryon-antibaryon asymmetry: A.D.Sakharov, Pisma Zh. Eksp. Teor. Fiz 5 (1967) 32
  - B-violation
  - C and CP-violation
  - Interaction out of thermal equilibrium

CP-violation  $\rightarrow$  T-violation by CPT theorem



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## Tight Constraints on P-odd, T-odd Physics: Electric Dipole Moments (EDMs)

$$V_{EDM} = -d_n \vec{J} \cdot \vec{E}$$



System	Present Limit (e cm)	SM Prediction (CKM) (e cm)
е	$8.7 \times 10^{-29}$	10 <sup>-38</sup>
Hg	$7.4 \times 10^{-30}$	10 <sup>-33</sup>
р	$7.9 \times 10^{-25}$	10 <sup>-31</sup>
п	$3.0 \times 10^{-26}$	10 <sup>-31</sup>

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# P-even, T-odd observable in polarized neutron $\beta$ -decay

$$n \rightarrow p e^- \overline{v}_e$$



## **Direct and Indirect Bound**

- General argument: a P-even, T-odd operator may also induce P, T-odd interaction via electroweak loop corrections that violate P. Conti and Khriplovich, PRL 68(1992)3262
- **Example**: A dim-7 gauge-invariant P-even, T-odd operator may induce fermion EDM at one loop:



$$\mathcal{O}_7^{\gamma Z} = C_7^{\gamma Z} \bar{\psi} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi F^{\mu\lambda} Z_\lambda^{\nu}$$

Ramsey-Musolf, PRL 83 (1999) 3997

 Question: are the "indirect bounds" set by limits on P, Todd observables always more stringent than the direct experimental bounds on P-even, T-odd observables?

### **Effective Field Theory Description**

- P-even, T-odd interaction CANNOT arise at tree-level in a renormalizable gauge theory (Herczeg, Hyperfine Interact, 75, (1992)127)
- This motivates us to adopt **EFT**: a **bottom-up approach** to the study of BSM physics
- Assumption: new DOFs are heavy and can be integrated out

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \frac{1}{\Lambda}\mathcal{L}_5 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2}\mathcal{L}_6 + \dots$$

- Flavor-conserving P-even, T-odd operators occur at d≥7 (Conti and Khriplovich, PRL 68(1992)3262)
- $d \ge 6$  for flavor non-conserving P-even, T-odd operators

#### We shall focus on d=6.

#### Dim-6 Semi-Leptonic Operators With Right-Handed Neutrino

$$\hat{O}_{1} = \frac{c_{1}}{\Lambda^{2}} \bar{L}^{i} \nu_{R} \bar{u}_{R} Q^{i} + h.c.$$

$$\hat{O}_{2} = \frac{c_{2}}{\Lambda^{2}} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{L}^{i} \nu_{R} \bar{Q}^{j} d_{R} + h.c.$$

$$\hat{O}_{3} = \frac{c_{3}}{\Lambda^{2}} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{L}^{i} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \nu_{R} \bar{Q}^{j} \sigma_{\mu\nu} d_{R} + h.c.$$

Induced D-coefficient: 
$$D \approx -\frac{g_S g_T}{\Lambda^4} \frac{1}{G_F^2 V_{ud}^2 (g_V^2 + 3g_A^2)} \operatorname{Im}[(c_1 - c_2)c_3^*]$$

Implications from experimental bound:

(Quadratic in BSM Wilson Coefficients)

$$\left|\frac{\mathrm{Im}[(c_1 - c_2)c_3^*]}{\Lambda^4}\right| < 3 \times 10^{-13} \mathrm{GeV}^{-4}$$

Implied scale of new physics assuming c<sub>i</sub>~1:

$$\Lambda > 1 \,\mathrm{TeV}$$

#### Dim-6 Semi-Leptonic Operators With Right-Handed Neutrino

Implications from neutron EDM:



Naïve dimensional analysis (NDA) leads to  $(v/\Lambda)^2 \text{Im}\{c_1^*c_2\} \sim 10^{-5}$ 

#### Two points for the save:

- 1. Large uncertainty expected in the NDA estimation.
- 2. EDMs only constrain  $Imc_1^*c_2$  but do not touch  $c_3$ . It cannot place any strict bound on D-coefficient.

#### Dim-6 Semi-Leptonic Operators With Right-Handed Neutrino

Naturalness bound from neutrino mass:



Naïve Dimensional Analysis (NDA) involved

$$m_{v} < 1 \,\mathrm{eV}$$
 leads to:  $c_{i} < 3 \times 10^{-5}$ 

But the result may vary a lot depending on details of the underlying BSM scenario! Also, the coefficient of tensor operator  $c_3$  is unconstrained. <sup>12</sup>

 $\phi$ ud:

$$\hat{O}_{\varphi ud} = \frac{\mathrm{Im}C_{\varphi ud}}{\Lambda^2} (\widetilde{\varphi}^+ D_{\mu}\varphi)(\overline{u}_R \gamma^{\mu} d_R) + h.c.$$

Four-fermion:  

$$\hat{O}_{ledq} = i \frac{\text{Im}C_{ledq}}{\Lambda^2} L^i e_R \bar{d}_R Q^i + h.c.$$

$$\hat{O}_{lequ}^{(1)} = i \frac{\text{Im}C_{lequ}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^2} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{L}^i e_R \bar{Q}^j u_R + h.c.$$

$$\hat{O}_{lequ}^{(3)} = i \frac{\text{Im}C_{lequ}^{(3)}}{\Lambda^2} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{L}^i \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_R \bar{Q}^j \sigma_{\mu\nu} u_R + h.c.$$

Dipole operators: 
$$\hat{O}_{eB} = i \frac{g' \text{Im} C_{eB}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{L} \sigma^{\mu\nu} H e_R B_{\mu\nu} + h.c.$$
  
 $\hat{O}_{eW} = i \frac{g \text{Im} C_{eW}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{L} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \frac{\tau^i}{2} H e_R W^i_{\mu\nu} + h.c.$ 

Grzadkowski et al, JHEP 1010 (2010) 085



Indirect bound on D-coefficient by neutron EDM:  $D < 10^{-6}$ 

Two orders-of-magnitude more stringent than the direct bound and there is **NO ESCAPE**!

Ng and Tulin, PRD 85, 033001 (2012)

Seng, de Vries, Mereghetti, Patel and Ramsey-Musolf, Phys. Lett B736 (2014) 147

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Four-fermion:} & \hat{O}_{ledq} \ = \ i \frac{\mbox{Im} C_{ledq}}{\Lambda^2} L^i e_R \bar{d}_R Q^i + h.c. \\ \\ & \hat{O}_{lequ}^{(1)} \ = \ i \frac{\mbox{Im} C_{lequ}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^2} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{L}^i e_R \bar{Q}^j u_R + h.c. \\ \\ & \hat{O}_{lequ}^{(3)} \ = \ i \frac{\mbox{Im} C_{lequ}^{(3)}}{\Lambda^2} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{L}^i \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_R \bar{Q}^j \sigma_{\mu\nu} u_R + h.c. \end{array}$$

Contribute *quadratically* to *D-coefficient* but *linearly* to *EDMs*.

Hopeless to escape from stringent indirect bounds without fine-tuning.

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Induced D-coefficient: 
$$D = -\frac{4\sqrt{2}g_A^2}{g_V^2 + 3g_A^2} (\frac{m_e}{v}) (\frac{v}{\Lambda})^2 \text{Im}C_{eW}$$
  
Induced electron EDM: 
$$d_e = -\frac{\sqrt{2}e}{v} (\frac{v}{\Lambda})^2 (\text{Im}C_{eB} - \text{Im}C_{eW})$$

Setting  $\text{Im} C_{eB} \approx \text{Im} C_{eW}$  at  $\mu=m_W$  may avoid EDM but it is **highly unnatural** due to **electroweak loop correction**; requires 13 orders of magnitude fine-tuning at  $\mu=10 \text{ TeV}!$ 

## Conclusions

- The triple-correlation (D-coefficient) in neutron/nuclear β–decay serves as a probe of P-conserving, T-violating interactions
- If neutrinos are Dirac particles, current bound on neutron D-coefficient points towards a new scale of PCTV physics: Λ/c>1TeV
- The chance of observing a non-zero D-coefficient in a next-generation experiment is not precluded by constraints of EDM search null results.
- Operators without right-handed neutrinos cannot avoid stringent bounds from EDMs without fine-tuning.
- Resolving the tension between a non-zero PCTV correlation and neutrino mass naturalness consideration would provide interesting challenge for model building.

#### Thank You!

## **Backup Slides**

## EDM induced by $O_1 - O_3$



Matching to the four-quark operator:

$$\frac{C_{quqd}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^2} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{Q}^i u_R \bar{Q}^j d_R + h.c.$$
$$\frac{C_{quqd}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^2} \sim \frac{c_1^* c_2}{\Lambda^4} \frac{\Lambda^2}{16\pi^2} = \frac{c_1^* c_2}{16\pi^2 \Lambda^2}$$

 $\Lambda^{-}$   $\Lambda^{-}$   $10\pi^{-}$   $10\pi^{-}$ 

Matching between the four-quark operator and neutron EDM:

$$d_n = \beta_n^{quqd} (\frac{v}{\Lambda})^2 \mathrm{Im} C_{quqd}^{(1)}$$

Estimated range of hadronic matrix element:

$$\beta_n^{quqd} = (10 - 80) \times 10^{-7} e \,\mathrm{fm}$$

Engel, Ramsey-Musolf and van Kolck, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 71(2013) 21

## **Running of Dipole Operators**

Closed set of T-odd operators:

$$\begin{split} \hat{O}_{eB} &= i \frac{g' \text{Im} C_{eB}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{L} \sigma^{\mu\nu} H e_R B_{\mu\nu} + h.c. \\ \hat{O}_{eW} &= i \frac{g \text{Im} C_{eW}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{L} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \frac{\tau^i}{2} H e_R W^i_{\mu\nu} + h.c. \\ \hat{O}_{eH^3} &= i \frac{\text{Im} C_{eH^3}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{L} H e_R H^{\dagger} H + h.c. \end{split}$$

Constraints from neutron D-coefficient and electron EDM:

 $(v/\Lambda)^2 |Im C_{eW}| < 1 \times 10^2.$  $(v/\Lambda)^2 |Im C_{eB} - Im C_{eW}| < 7.7 \times 10^{-13}.$  Electroweak running:



 $\Theta = \left( g' \operatorname{Im} C_{eB} \ g \operatorname{Im} C_{eW} \ \operatorname{Im} C_{eH^3} \right)^T$ 

If ImC<sub>eW</sub> and ImC<sub>eB</sub> are set to marginally satisfy the two bounds at  $\mu$ =m<sub>W</sub>, then at  $\mu$ =10TeV, we have:

$$|\operatorname{Im}C_{eW} - \operatorname{Im}C_{eB}| \approx 4$$

but has to be fine-tuned to 2\*10<sup>-11</sup>% of its magnitude!