



Effective Majorana neutrino phenomenology

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The SM picture: massless neutrinos

- Leptons: $SU(2)_L$ doublet

$$L_i = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_i \\ \ell_i \end{pmatrix}_L$$

- ℓ acquires a mass interacting with the Higgs v.e.v. after EWSB:

$$\langle \Phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Dirac mass: ℓ_R

$$-\mathcal{L}_{Yukawa} \supset Y_\ell^{ij} \bar{L}_i \Phi \ell_R^j \rightarrow \frac{Y_\ell^{ij} v}{\sqrt{2}} \ell_L^i \ell_R^j$$

- But...
- Neutrinos change flavor as they propagate: they have masses $\sim 0.01 \text{ eV}$
- One has to go beyond the SM to get massive neutrinos.

One step beyond the SM : Weinberg operator

- SM as effective theory: non renormalizable operator (dim= 5):
 $\mathcal{L}_{\nu SM} \supset -\frac{\lambda_{ij}}{2\Lambda} L^i L^j \Phi \Phi$
- Leads to neutrinos mass (after EWSB): $\mathcal{L}_{\nu SM} \supset -\frac{m_{ij}}{2} \nu_i \nu_j$ with
 $\frac{m_{ij}}{2} = \lambda_{ij} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda} \rightarrow \text{If } \Lambda \gg v \rightarrow m_\nu \ll m_{\text{fermions}}$
- Lepton number violation (LNV)
- Only 3 renormalizable tree-level realizations: the most popular is sesaw mechanism Type I (Φ and L^i combine into $SU(2)_L$ scalar)
- Needs new “sterile” $SU(2)_L$ singlet neutrinos N_R :

$$\mathcal{L}_\nu = \mathcal{L}_{SM} - Y_{\alpha i} \bar{L}^\alpha \tilde{\Phi} N_{Ri} - \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \frac{M_{N_{ij}}}{2} \overline{N_{iL}^c} N_{jR} + h.c.$$

Type I seesaw: neutrino mixing

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- $\nu_{\ell L} = U_{\ell m} \nu_m + U_{\ell N} N$
- $\nu_L - \nu_m$ mixing \rightarrow oscillation phenomena
- The $\nu_L - N$ mixings take values $U_{\ell N} \simeq \frac{m_D}{M_N} = \sqrt{\frac{m_\nu}{M_N}}$
- Light ν with $m_\nu = m_D M_N^{-1} m_D^T$.
- The Dirac mass (Yukawa) $m_D = Y \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$
- $m_\nu \simeq 0.01 \text{ eV} \simeq Y^2 \frac{v^2}{2M_N} \rightarrow Y \simeq 10^{-6}$ for $M_N \simeq 100 \text{ GeV}!!$
- $U_{\ell N} \simeq \frac{m_D}{M_N} \lesssim 10^{-5} \sqrt{\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{M_N}}$

Type I seesaw: N decoupling

- The $\nu_L - N$ mixing $U_{\ell N}$ weighs the coupling between Majorana neutrinos and the standard bosons:

$$\mathcal{L}_W = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} U_{\ell N} \bar{N}^c \gamma^\mu P_L l W_\mu^+ + h.c.$$

$$\mathcal{L}_Z = -\frac{g}{2c\theta_W} \bar{\nu}_l \gamma^\mu U_{\ell N} P_L N Z_\mu + h.c.$$

- The observation of LNV in these models depends only on the tiny $\nu_L - N$ mixing...

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Effective approach ^[1]

- SM + one heavy Majorana N , $m_N < \Lambda$ (not integrated out...)
- NP parameterized with a lagrangian constructed with effective operators involving the N and the standard fields, preserving the $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ symmetry
- Low-energy limit of some unknown ultraviolet theory: suppressed by inverse powers of the new physics scale Λ :

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_{n=6}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Lambda^{n-4}} \sum_{\mathcal{J}} \alpha_{\mathcal{J}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{J}}^{(n)}$$

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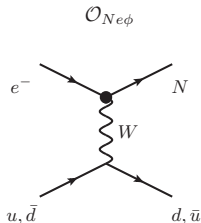
Effective approach ^[1]

- Neglect the $\nu_L - N$ mixing
- Dim 5 operator $\bar{N}N^c\phi^\dagger\phi$ reabsorbed into N mass m_N
- N pheno studied to constrain effective couplings $\alpha_{\mathcal{J}}$

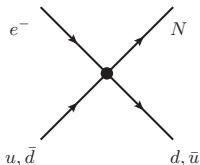
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Effective operators



$\mathcal{O}_{duNe}, \mathcal{O}_{QuNL}, \mathcal{O}_{LNQd}, \mathcal{O}_{QNLd}$



The (dim = 6) operators are [1]
(tree-level-generated):

$$\mathcal{O}_{LN\phi}^i = (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)(\bar{L}_i N \tilde{\Phi})$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{NN\Phi}^i = i(\Phi^\dagger D_\mu \Phi)(\bar{N} \gamma^\mu N)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{Ne\Phi}^i = i(\Phi^T \epsilon D_\mu \Phi)(\bar{N} \gamma^\mu e_i)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{duNe}^i = (\bar{d}_i \gamma^\mu u_i)(\bar{N} \gamma_\mu e_i)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{LNQd}^i = (\bar{L}_i N) \epsilon (\bar{Q}_i d_i)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{QuNL}^i = (\bar{Q}_i u_i)(\bar{N} L_i)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{QNLd}^i = (\bar{Q}_i N) \epsilon (\bar{L}_i d_i)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{fNN}^i = (\bar{f}_i \gamma^\mu f_i)(\bar{N} \gamma_\mu N)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{LNLe}^i = (\bar{L}_i N) \epsilon (\bar{L}_i e_i)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{LN}^i = |\bar{L}_i N|^2$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{QN}^i = |\bar{Q}_i N|^2$$

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Effective operators

- One loop generated: suppressed by loop factor $\frac{\alpha}{16\pi^2}$ [1]

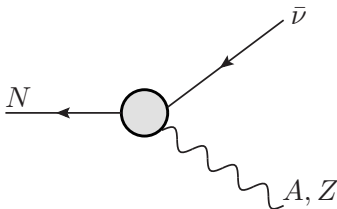
$$\mathcal{O}_{NNB}^{(5)} = \bar{N}\sigma^{\mu\nu}N^c B_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{NB} = (\bar{L}\sigma^{\mu\nu}N)\tilde{\Phi}B_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{NW} = (\bar{L}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\tau^I N)\tilde{\Phi}W_{\mu\nu}^I$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{DN} = (\bar{L}D_\mu N)D^\mu\tilde{\Phi}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\bar{D}N} = (D_\mu\bar{L}N)D^\mu\tilde{\Phi}$$



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Bounds on the couplings $\alpha_{\mathcal{J}}^{(i)}$

We exploit the existing bounds for the $U_{\ell N}$ mixings taking $U_{\ell N} \simeq \frac{\alpha v^2}{2\Lambda^2}$ for $\Lambda = 1 \text{ TeV}$

- Electroweak precision data (low energy LFV:

$$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma, m_N > m_W)$$

$$\alpha_{EWPD}^{bound} \lesssim 0.32$$

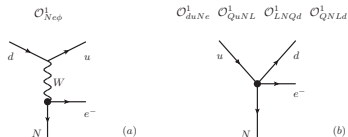
- Belle and LHCb:

$$2 \text{ GeV} \lesssim m_N \lesssim 5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\alpha_{Belle}^{bound} \lesssim 0.3$$

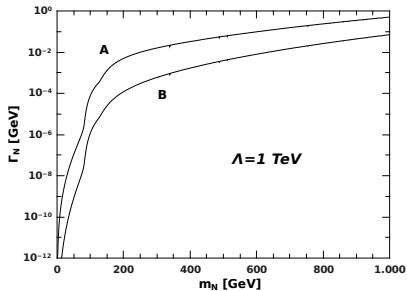
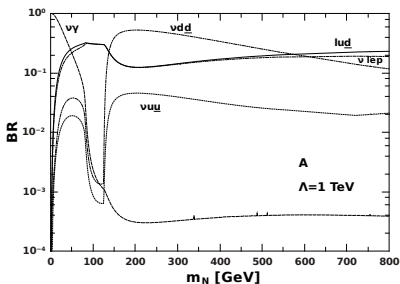
- Neutrinoless double beta decay (KamLAND-Zen)

$$\alpha_{0\nu\beta\beta}^{bound} \lesssim 3.2 \times 10^{-2} \left(\frac{m_N}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{1/2}$$



N decay

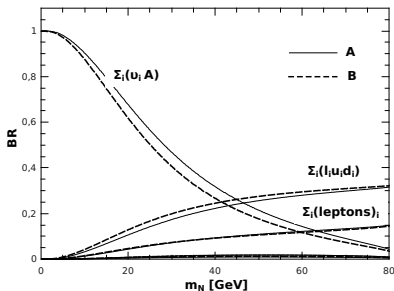
- We have studied the N decay channels for sub-EW masses $m_N < m_W$ [2] and generally for $m_N < 1 \text{ TeV}$ [3]



[2] L.Duarte, I. Romero, J. Peressutti and O.A.Sampayo, Phys. Rev. D 92, 091301 (2015) 1508.01588

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N decay: $N \rightarrow \nu\gamma$ dominant channel [2] [3]



- N could be discovered in the LHC with displaced vertices and non-pointing photon techniques: long-lived-neutral particle with measurable decay length

$$\vec{l}_N = \frac{\vec{k}_N}{|\vec{k}_N|} \tau_N \beta_N = \frac{\vec{k}_N}{|\vec{k}_N|} \frac{\left((E_N/m_N)^2 - 1 \right)^{1/2}}{\Gamma_N}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(N \rightarrow \nu(\bar{\nu})\gamma)}{\Gamma(N \rightarrow l^+ \bar{u}d)} \rightarrow \frac{2}{15\pi} \left(\frac{v}{m_N} \right)^2 (c_W + s_W)^2$$

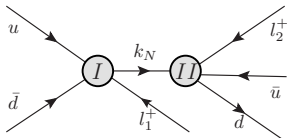
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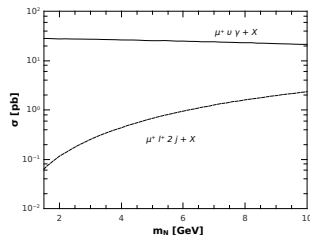
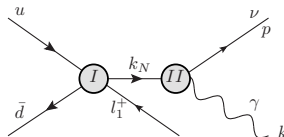
We study the ss-dilepton and neutrino plus photon processes:

- $pp \rightarrow l_i^+ l_j^+ + 2 \text{ jets}$
(LNV $\Delta L = 2$)



- Tested at LHC for $m_N \gg 100 \text{ GeV}$ [5]
Complementary study:
few-GeV m_N region

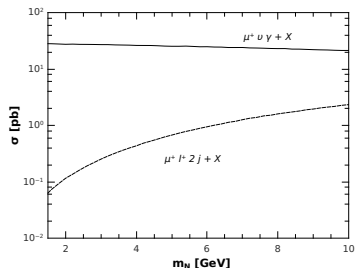
- $pp \rightarrow l_i^+ \nu \gamma$



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[5] ATLAS 1108.0366, 1203.5420

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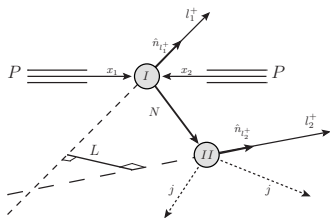
- For the few- GeV m_N region the $pp \rightarrow l_i^+ \nu \gamma$ channel dominates
- To see LNV we take $\alpha_{1-loop} = 0$, and focus on vectorial and scalar operator effects

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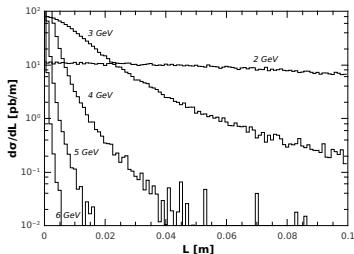
$pp \rightarrow l_i^+ l_j^+ + 2 \text{ jets}$ channel [4]

Exploit the vertex displacement...

- For $m_N \sim \text{few-GeV}$:
background from b leptonic decays \rightarrow
cuts in p_T affect signal



- Cut in $L^{l^+l^+}$: distance between both lepton tracks

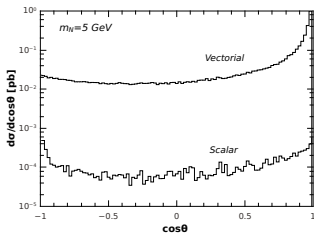


Set $L_{min}^{l^+l^+} > 1 \text{ mm}$

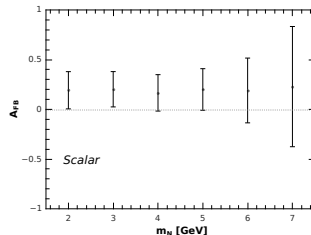
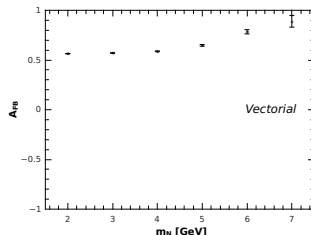
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$pp \rightarrow l_i^+ l_j^+ + 2 \text{ jets}$ channel [4]

- Disentangle **vectorial** (α_W, α_{V_0}) and **scalar** ($\alpha_{S_{1,2,3}}$) operator's contributions:



- $$A_{FB}^{l^+l^+} = \frac{N_+ - N_-}{N_+ + N_-}, \quad \Delta A_{FB}^{l^+l^+} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - (A_{FB}^{l^+l^+})^2}{N_+ + N_-}}$$

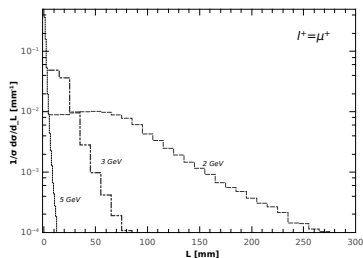
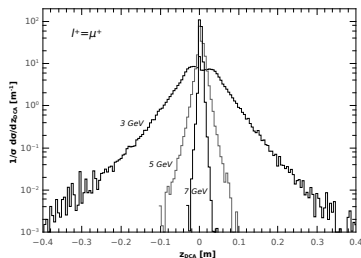


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$pp \rightarrow l_i^+ \nu \gamma$ channel [4]

Exploit the vertex displacement...

- Non-pointing photon distance of closest approach to the beamline: z_{DCA} [6]
- Cut in $L^{l^+\gamma}$: distance between the prompt lepton and displaced photon tracks



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[6] ATLAS: 1409.5542, 1304.6310

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- Take alternative to Seesaw Type I approach: effective theory with heavy sterile N , neglecting $\nu_L - N$ mixings:
- Effective lagrangian with $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ symmetry
- Studied the N decay width and branching ratios
- Found interesting channel $N \rightarrow \nu \gamma$
- Currently studying possible N phenomenology in the LHC : exploit vertex displacement for low m_N

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