

# QCD running in neutrinoless double beta decay

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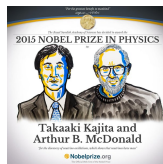
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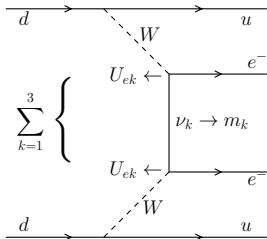
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- Neutrino oscillation  $\Rightarrow$   
Neutrinos have masses
- Open question: Dirac or Majorana?
- Is Lepton Number conserved in nature?



# Introduction II



$$\langle m_\nu \rangle = \sum_j U_{ej}^2 m_j \equiv m_{ee}$$

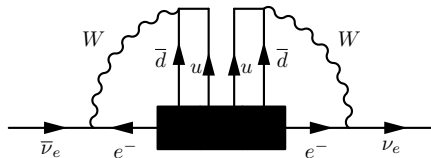
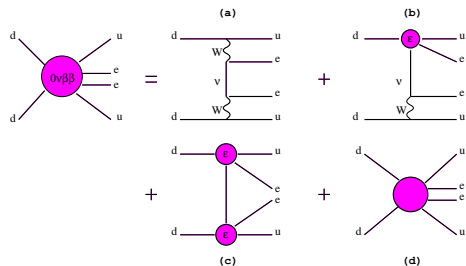


Figure : Black Box Theorem [Schechter & Valle, 1982]

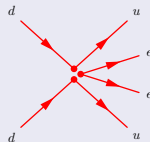
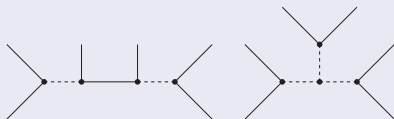
- Left-Right Symmetry
- R-Parity Violating Supersymmetry
- Leptoquarks
- Extradimensions
- etc.



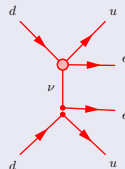
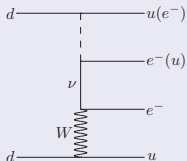
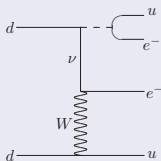
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# High Energy Examples

## Short-Range

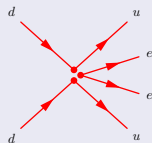


## Long-range



# Short-Range Mechanisms (SRM)

## Effective Lagrangian



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{0\nu\beta\beta} = \frac{G_F^2}{2m_p} \sum_i C_i^{XY}(\mu) \cdot \mathcal{O}_i(\mu), \quad (1)$$

with the operator basis:

$$\mathcal{O}_1^{XY} = 4(\bar{u}P_X d)(\bar{u}P_Y d) j, \quad (2)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_2^{XX} = 4(\bar{u}\sigma^{\mu\nu}P_X d)(\bar{u}\sigma_{\mu\nu}P_X d) j, \quad (3)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_3^{XY} = 4(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu P_X d)(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu P_Y d) j, \quad (4)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_4^{XY} = 4(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu P_X d)(\bar{u}\sigma_{\mu\nu}P_Y d) j^\nu, \quad (5)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_5^{XY} = 4(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu P_X d)(\bar{u}P_Y d) j_\mu \quad (6)$$

$$j = \bar{e}(1 \pm \gamma_5)e^c, \quad j_\mu = \bar{e}\gamma_\mu\gamma_5e^c.$$

Applying standard nuclear theory methods, one finds for the half-life:

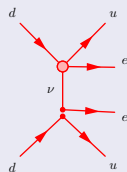
## Half-life

$$\left[ T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} \right]^{-1} = G_1 \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 C_i(\mu_0) \mathcal{M}_i \right|^2 + G_2 \left| \sum_{i=4}^5 C_i(\mu_0) \mathcal{M}_i \right|^2 \quad (7)$$

Here,  $G_1 = G_{01}$  and  $G_2 = (m_e R)^2 G_{09}/8$  are phase space factors in the convention of [Doi et al., 1985], and  $\mathcal{M}_i = \langle A_f | \mathcal{O}_i^h | A_i \rangle$  are the nuclear matrix elements defined in Ref. [Päs et al., 2001].

# Long-Range Mechanisms (LRM)

## Effective Lagrangian



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{d=6} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left( j^\mu J_\mu^\dagger + \sum_i C_i^X(\mu) \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)X}(\mu) \right) \quad (8)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_1^{(6)X} = \bar{u} P_X d \cdot \bar{e} P_R \nu^C, \quad (9)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_2^{(6)X} = \bar{u} \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_X d \cdot \bar{e} \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_R \nu^C, \quad (10)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_3^{(6)X} = \bar{u} \gamma_\mu P_X d \cdot \bar{e} \gamma^\mu P_R \nu^C \quad (11)$$

$$j^\mu = \bar{e} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \nu, \quad J_\mu = \bar{d} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) u$$



Applying standard nuclear theory methods, one finds for the half-life:

## Half-life

$$[T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta}]^{-1} = |C_i ME|^2 \quad (12)$$

Currently the best bounds are

$$\text{KamLAND-Zen} \quad : \quad T_{1/2}^{0\nu}(^{136}\text{Xe}) = 1.07 \times 10^{26} \text{ ys (90\%C.L.)},$$

$$\text{GERDA Phase-II} \quad : \quad T_{1/2}^{0\nu}(^{76}\text{Ge}) = 5.2 \times 10^{25} \text{ ys (90\%C.L.)}.$$

## SRM $\nu/s$ LRM

### SRM

#### Elementary quark-level

$(uudddd)$

$$dd \rightarrow uu + 2e^-$$

#### Hadronic level

$$nn \rightarrow pp + 2e^-$$

### LRM

#### Elementary quark-level

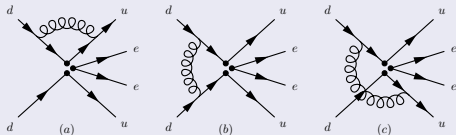
$$d \rightarrow u + e^- \nu$$

#### Hadronic level

$$nn \rightarrow pp + 2e^-$$

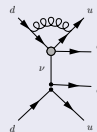
### QCD corrections:

#### Short-Range Mechanisms

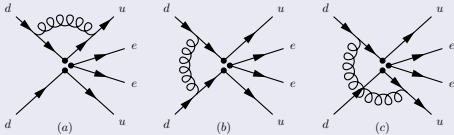


### QCD corrections:

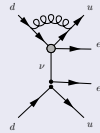
#### Long-Range Mechanisms



## QCD corrections: Short-Range Mechanisms



## QCD corrections: Long-Range Mechanisms



$$T_{\alpha\beta}^a T_{\gamma\rho}^a = -\frac{1}{2N} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\gamma\rho} + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{\alpha\rho} \delta_{\beta\gamma} \quad (13)$$

Color Mismatch effect.

# Renormalization Group Equations

[Buras, 1998] :

RGE of WC

$$\frac{d\vec{C}(\mu)}{d\ln\mu} = \hat{\gamma}^T \vec{C}(\mu), \quad (14)$$

$$\hat{\gamma}(\alpha_s) = -2\alpha_s \frac{\partial \hat{Z}_1(\alpha_s)}{\partial \alpha_s}, \quad (15)$$

$$\vec{C}(\mu) = \hat{U}(\mu, M_W) \cdot \vec{C}(M_W). \quad (16)$$

# Results: SRM

Without QCD

$$\left[T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta}\right]^{-1} = G_1 \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 C_i(\mu_0) \mathcal{M}_i \right|^2 + G_2 \left| \sum_{i=4}^5 C_i(\mu_0) \mathcal{M}_i \right|^2 \quad (17)$$

With QCD

$$\begin{aligned} \left[T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta}\right]^{-1} &= G_1 \left| \beta_1^{XX} C_1^{XX}(\Lambda) + \beta_1^{LR} C_1^{LR}(\Lambda) + \beta_2^{XX} C_2^{XX}(\Lambda) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \beta_3^{XX} C_3^{XX}(\Lambda) + \beta_3^{LR} C_3^{LR}(\Lambda) \right|^2 \\ &+ G_2 \left| \beta_4^{XX} C_4^{RR}(\Lambda) + \beta_4^{LR} C_4^{LR}(\Lambda) + \beta_5^{XX} C_5^{RR}(\Lambda) + \beta_5^{LR} C_5^{LR}(\Lambda) \right|^2, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\beta_1^{XX} = \mathcal{M}_1 \overbrace{U_{11}^{XX}}^1 + \mathcal{M}_2 \overbrace{U_{21}^{XX}}^0$$

${}^A\text{X}$	$\mathcal{M}_1$	$\mathcal{M}_2$	$\mathcal{M}_3^{(+)}$	$\mathcal{M}_3^{(-)}$	$ \mathcal{M}_4 $	$ \mathcal{M}_5 $
${}^{76}\text{Ge}$	9.0	$-1.6 \times 10^3$	$1.3 \times 10^2$	$2.1 \times 10^2$	$ 1.9 \times 10^2 $	$ 1.9 \times 10^1 $
${}^{136}\text{Xe}$	4.5	$-8.5 \times 10^2$	$6.9 \times 10^1$	$1.1 \times 10^2$	$ 9.6 \times 10^1 $	$ 9.3 $

**Table :** The numerical values of the nuclear matrix elements  $\mathcal{M}_i$  taken from Ref. [Deppisch et al., 2012].

	With QCD		Without QCD	With QCD		Without QCD
$A_X$	$ C_1^{XX}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_1^{XX}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_1^{XX} $	$ C_1^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_1^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_1^{LR,RL} $
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	$5.0 \times 10^{-10}$	$3.8 \times 10^{-10}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-8}$	$9.1 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-7}$
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$3.4 \times 10^{-10}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-10}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-7}$	$9.7 \times 10^{-9}$	$6.1 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-7}$
$A_X$	$ C_2^{XX}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_2^{XX}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_2^{XX} $	—	—	—
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-9}$	$5.2 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-9}$	—	—	—
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$2.4 \times 10^{-9}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-9}$	$9.4 \times 10^{-10}$	—	—	—
$A_X$	$ C_3^{XX}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_3^{XX}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_3^{XX} $	$ C_3^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_3^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_3^{LR,RL} $
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.6 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-8}$
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$9.7 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-8}$	$7.4 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-8}$
$A_X$	$ C_4^{XX}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_4^{XX}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_4^{XX(0)} $	$ C_4^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_4^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_4^{LR,RL(0)} $
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	$5.0 \times 10^{-9}$	$3.9 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.9 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-8}$
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$3.4 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-9}$	$7.9 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.3 \times 10^{-8}$	$7.9 \times 10^{-9}$
$A_X$	$ C_5^{XX}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_5^{XX}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_5^{XX} $	$ C_5^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_1) $	$ C_5^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_2) $	$ C_5^{LR,RL} $
$^{76}\text{Ge}$	$2.3 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.9 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-7}$
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$1.6 \times 10^{-8}$	$9.5 \times 10^{-9}$	$8.2 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-8}$	$8.2 \times 10^{-8}$

Table : Individual upper limits on Wilson Coefficients

without QCD

$$\left[ T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} \right]^{-1} = G_{0k} |C_i(\mu_0) \cdot ME|^2 \quad (18)$$

With QCD

$$\left[ T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} \right]^{-1} = G_{0k} |U_i(\mu_0, \Lambda) C_i(\Lambda) \cdot ME|^2 \quad (19)$$

with

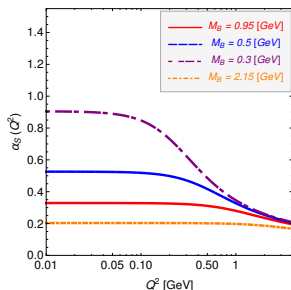
$$U_1 = 1.6, \quad U_2 = 0.6, \quad U_3 = 0.8$$



	Without QCD		With QCD	
	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$^{76}\text{Ge}$	$^{136}\text{Xe}$
$C_{V-A}^{V+A}$	$2.2 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.9 \times 10^{-9}$
$C_{V+A}^{V+A}$	$3.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$4.3 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.0 \times 10^{-7}$
$C_{S-P}^{S+P}$	$5.3 \times 10^{-9}$	$3.7 \times 10^{-9}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.3 \times 10^{-9}$
$C_{S+P}^{S+P}$	$5.3 \times 10^{-9}$	$3.7 \times 10^{-9}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-9}$	$2.3 \times 10^{-9}$
$C_{T_R}^{T_L}$	$3.1 \times 10^{-10}$	$2.2 \times 10^{-10}$	$5.0 \times 10^{-10}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-10}$
$C_{T_R}^{T_R}$	$8.2 \times 10^{-10}$	$5.7 \times 10^{-10}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-9}$	$9.2 \times 10^{-10}$

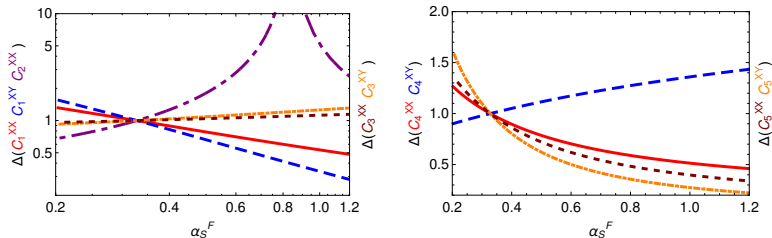
**Table :** Individual upper limits on Wilson coefficients, without QCD and with QCD running for comparison

# Freezing *work in progress*



$$\mu^2 \rightarrow \mu^2 + M_B^2, \quad \tilde{\alpha}_s(\mu^2) = \frac{\alpha_s(\lambda)}{1 + \beta_0 \frac{\alpha_s(\lambda)}{4\pi} \log \frac{\mu^2 + M_B^2}{\lambda^2}} \quad (20)$$

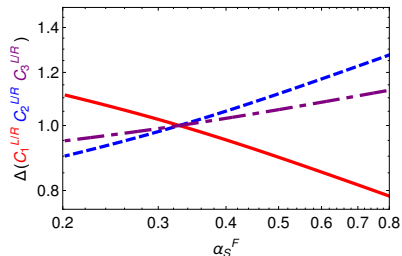
# Preliminary results I *work in progress*



**Figure :** Relative change of the limit on the short-range coefficients with respect to the “frozen” value of  $\alpha_S$  at low energies. Here  $\alpha_S^F$  represents  $\tilde{\alpha}_S(Q^2)$  for  $Q^2 \leq 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$ .  $\Delta(C_i^{AB})$  is calculated normalizing with respect to the value of the coefficient derived without “freezing” and using an  $\alpha_S(1 \text{ GeV}^2) \simeq 0.32$ .

$$\Delta(C_i^{XY}) = C_i^{XY}(\alpha_S^F) / C_i^{XY}(\alpha_S(1 \text{ GeV})) \quad (21)$$

## Preliminary results II *work in progress*



**Figure :** Relative change of the limit on the long-range coefficients with respect to the “frozen” value of  $\alpha_S$  at low energies. Note the change of scale with respect to the short-range figure.

# Summary and Conclusions

- We have calculated QCD running to the complete set of Lorentz-invariant operators for the short-range (SR) part and for the long-range part of the NDBD amplitude.
- We showed that the QCD corrections are indeed important in the SR principally because of the operator mixing
- We showed that in the long-range part the QCD correction is not as important as in the short-range part
- We analysed the IR behaviour of QCD running. With the exception of  $C_2^{XX}$  (in the SRM), the Wilson coefficients depend only moderately on the exact value of  $\alpha_S^F$  and it seems we can extract reliable limits on these coefficients from  $0\nu\beta\beta$

Thanks for your attention!

# Back Up #1

## A non-trivial example: $R_p$ SUSY

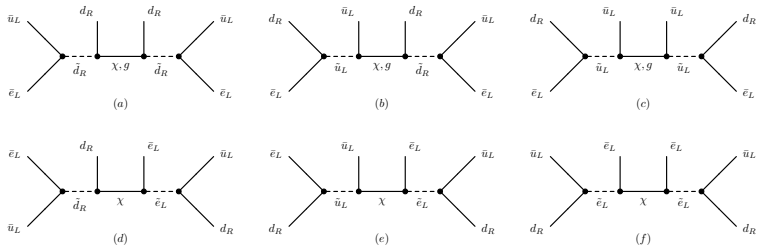


Figure : The six different Feynman diagrams in R-parity violating supersymmetry that contribute to  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay.

## Back Up #2

### A non-trivial example: $R_p$ SUSY

$\tilde{g}$ -exchange contribution:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\tilde{g}} &= \frac{G_F^2}{2m_p} (C_{\tilde{g}a} \mathcal{O}_a + C_{\tilde{g}b} \mathcal{O}_b + C_{\tilde{g}c} \mathcal{O}_c) = \\ &= \frac{G_F^2}{2m_p} \frac{1}{48} \left[ (2C_{\tilde{g}a} + 2C_{\tilde{g}c} - 7C_{\tilde{g}b}) \mathcal{O}_1^{RR} - \frac{1}{4} (2C_{\tilde{g}a} + 2C_{\tilde{g}c} + C_{\tilde{g}b}) \mathcal{O}_2^{RR} \right].\end{aligned}\quad (22)$$

$\chi$ -exchange contribution:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\tilde{g}} &= \frac{G_F^2}{2m_p} \sum_{i=a\dots f} C_{\#i} \mathcal{O}_{\#i} = \\ &= \frac{G_F^2}{2m_p} \frac{1}{128} \left[ 4(C_b + C_c + C_a + 4C_f - 2C_d - 2C_e) \mathcal{O}_1^{RR} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (C_b - C_c - C_a) \mathcal{O}_2^{RR} \right].\end{aligned}\quad (23)$$

## Back Up #3

### A non-trivial example: $R_p$ SUSY

$$C_{\tilde{g}c} = \frac{\kappa_3}{m_{\tilde{g}}} \frac{1}{m_{\tilde{u}_L}^4}, \quad C_{\tilde{g}a} = \frac{\kappa_3}{m_{\tilde{g}}} \frac{1}{m_{\tilde{d}_R}^4}, \quad C_{\tilde{g}b} = -\frac{\kappa_3}{m_{\tilde{g}}} \frac{1}{m_{\tilde{u}_L}^2 m_{\tilde{d}_R}^2}, \quad (24)$$

$$C_b = \frac{\kappa_2}{m_\chi} \frac{\epsilon_L(u)\epsilon_R(d)}{m_{\tilde{u}_L}^2 m_{\tilde{d}_R}^2}, \quad C_c = \frac{\kappa_2}{m_\chi} \frac{\epsilon_L^2(u)}{m_{\tilde{u}_L}^4}, \quad C_a = \frac{\kappa_2}{m_\chi} \frac{\epsilon_R^2(d)}{m_{\tilde{d}_R}^4}, \quad (25)$$

$$C_f = \frac{\kappa_2}{m_\chi} \frac{\epsilon_L^2(e)}{m_{\tilde{e}_L}^4}, \quad C_d = \frac{\kappa_2}{m_\chi} \frac{\epsilon_L(e)\epsilon_R(d)}{m_{\tilde{e}_L}^2 m_{\tilde{d}_R}^2}, \quad C_e = \frac{\kappa_2}{m_\chi} \frac{\epsilon_L(e)\epsilon_L(u)}{m_{\tilde{e}_L}^2 m_{\tilde{u}_L}^2}, \quad (26)$$

with

$$\kappa_2 = \lambda_{111}^{\prime 2} 4\pi\alpha_2 \frac{m_p}{G_F^2}, \quad \kappa_3 = \lambda_{111}^{\prime 2} 16\pi\alpha_s \frac{m_p}{G_F^2}, \quad (27)$$

$$\epsilon_L(\psi) = \tan\theta_W [T_3(\psi) - Q(\psi)], \quad \epsilon_R(\psi) = \tan\theta_W Q(\psi), \quad (28)$$



## Back Up #4

### A non-trivial example: $R_p$ SUSY

$$\tilde{g} - \text{exchange} : \quad \lambda'_{111Ge} \leq 1.0 \times 10^{-2} \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{q}}}{1\text{TeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{g}}}{1\text{TeV}} \right)^{1/2}, \quad (29)$$

$$\chi - \text{exchange} : \quad \lambda'_{111Ge} \leq 7.3 \times 10^{-1} \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{e}}}{1\text{TeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}}}{1\text{TeV}} \right)^{1/2} \quad (30)$$

$$\tilde{g} - \text{exchange} : \quad \lambda'_{111Ge} \leq 9.3 \times 10^{-2} \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{q}}}{1\text{TeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{g}}}{1\text{TeV}} \right)^{1/2}, \quad (31)$$

$$\chi - \text{exchange} : \quad \lambda'_{111Ge} \leq 5.2 \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{e}}}{1\text{TeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}}}{1\text{TeV}} \right)^{1/2} \quad (32)$$

This is about  $\sim 10$  ( $\sim 7$ ) weaker than the limits for gluino (neutralino) cases in Eqs. (29), (30) taking into account the QCD running.

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