

# WWH production and searches for heavy neutrinos

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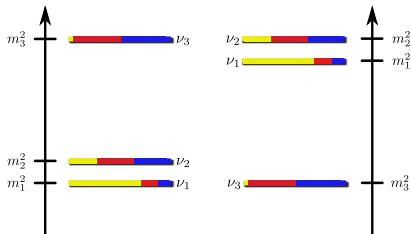


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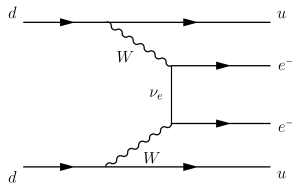
# Neutrino phenomena

- **Neutrino oscillations** (best fit from nu-fit.org):
 

solar	$\theta_{12} \simeq 34^\circ$	$\Delta m_{21}^2 \simeq 7.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$
atmospheric	$\theta_{23} \simeq 47^\circ$	$ \Delta m_{23}^2  \simeq 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$
reactor	$\theta_{13} \simeq 8.5^\circ$	
- **Absolute mass scale:**
  - cosmology  $\Sigma m_{\nu_i} < 0.12 \text{ eV}$  [Planck, 2018]
  - $\beta$  decays  $m_{\nu_e} < 2.05 \text{ eV}$  [Mainz, 2005; Troitsk, 2011]



- Different mixing pattern from CKM,  $\nu$  lightness  $\stackrel{?}{\leftarrow}$  Majorana  $\nu$
- **Neutrino nature (Dirac or Majorana):**
  - Neutrinoless double  $\beta$  decays
  - $m_{2\beta} < 0.061 - 0.165 \text{ eV}$  [KamLAND-ZEN, 2016]



# Massive neutrinos and New Physics

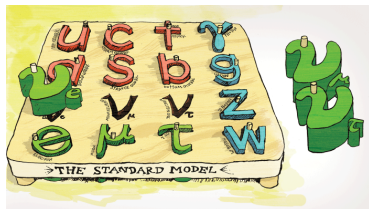
- Standard Model  $L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ \ell_L \end{pmatrix}, \tilde{\phi} = \begin{pmatrix} H^{0*} \\ H^- \end{pmatrix}$ 
  - No right-handed neutrino  
 $\nu_R \rightarrow$  No Dirac mass term

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = -Y_\nu \bar{L} \tilde{\phi} \nu_R + \text{h.c.}$$

- No Higgs triplet  $T$   
 $\rightarrow$  No Majorana mass term

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = -\frac{1}{2} f \bar{L} T L^c + \text{h.c.}$$

- Necessary to go beyond the Standard Model for  $\nu$  mass
  - Radiative models
  - Extra-dimensions
  - R-parity violation in supersymmetry
  - Seesaw mechanisms  $\rightarrow \nu$  mass at tree-level  
+ BAU through leptogenesis



## Dirac neutrinos ?

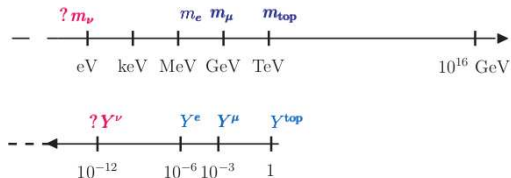
- Add **gauge singlet** (sterile), right-handed neutrinos  $\nu_R \Rightarrow \nu = \nu_L + \nu_R$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}}^{\text{leptons}} = -Y_\ell \bar{L} \phi \ell_R - Y_\nu \bar{L} \tilde{\phi} \nu_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$\Rightarrow$  After electroweak symmetry breaking  $\langle \phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}}^{\text{leptons}} = -m_\ell \bar{\ell}_L \ell_R - m_D \bar{\nu}_L \nu_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$\Rightarrow$  3 light active neutrinos:  $m_\nu \lesssim 0.1 \text{eV} \Rightarrow Y^\nu \lesssim 10^{-12}$



# Majorana neutrinos ?

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$3 \nu_R \Rightarrow 6$  mass eigenstates:  $\nu = \nu^c$

- $\nu_R$  gauge singlets
  - ⇒  $M_R$  not related to SM dynamics, not protected by symmetries
  - ⇒  $M_R$  between 0 and  $M_P$
- $M_R \bar{\nu}_R \nu_R^c$  violates lepton number conservation  $\Delta L = 2$

# The seesaw mechanisms

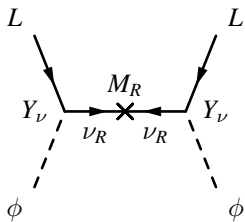
- Seesaw mechanism: new fields + lepton number violation  
 $\Rightarrow$  Generate  $m_\nu$  in a **renormalizable** way and at tree-level
- 3 minimal tree-level seesaw models  $\Rightarrow$  3 types of heavy fields
  - type I: right-handed neutrinos, SM gauge singlets
  - type II: scalar triplets
  - type III: fermionic triplets

$$m_\nu = -\frac{1}{2} Y_\nu \frac{v^2}{M_R} Y_\nu^T$$

$$m_\nu = -2 Y_\Delta v^2 \frac{\mu_\Delta}{M_\Delta^2}$$

$$m_\nu = -\frac{1}{2} Y_\Sigma \frac{v^2}{M_\Sigma} Y_\Sigma^T$$

# Towards testable Type I variants



- Taking  $M_R \gg m_D$  gives the “vanilla” type 1 seesaw

$$m_\nu = -m_D M_R^{-1} m_D^T$$

$$m_\nu \sim 0.1 \text{ eV} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} Y_\nu \sim 1 & \text{and } M_R \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \\ Y_\nu \sim 10^{-6} & \text{and } M_R \sim 10^2 \text{ GeV} \end{cases}$$

- $m_\nu$  suppressed by small active-sterile mixing  $m_D/M_R$

$m_\nu = 0$  equivalent to conserved lepton number for models with arbitrary number of  $\nu_R$  [Moffat, Pascoli, CW, 2017]

$\Rightarrow$  Nearly conserved L symmetry  $\rightarrow$  Cancellation to get large  $m_D/M_R$

- Explicitly realised in, e.g.
  - low-scale type I [Ilakovac and Pilaftsis, 1995] and others
  - inverse seesaw [Mohapatra and Valle, 1986, Bernabéu et al., 1987]
  - linear seesaw [Akhmedov et al., 1996, Barr, 2004, Malinsky et al., 2005]

# The inverse seesaw mechanism

- Lower seesaw scale from approximately conserved lepton number
- Add **fermionic gauge singlets**  $\nu_R$  ( $L = +1$ ) and  $X$  ( $L = -1$ )

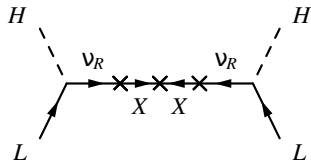
[Mohapatra and Valle, 1986, Bernabéu et al., 1987]

$$\mathcal{L}_{inverse} = -Y_\nu \bar{L} \tilde{\phi} \nu_R - M_R \bar{\nu}_R^c X - \frac{1}{2} \mu_X \bar{X}^c X + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\text{with } m_D = Y_\nu v, M^\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D & 0 \\ m_D^T & 0 & M_R \\ 0 & M_R^T & \mu_X \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m_\nu \approx \frac{m_D^2}{M_R^2} \mu_X$$

$$m_{N_1, N_2} \approx \mp M_R + \frac{\mu_X}{2}$$



2 scales:  $\mu_X$  and  $M_R$

- **Decouple** neutrino mass generation from active-sterile mixing
- **Inverse seesaw:**  $Y_\nu \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  and  $M_R \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  within reach of the LHC and low energy experiments



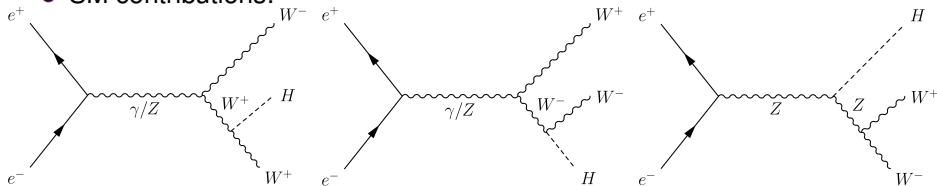
# Using Higgs physics to probe neutrino mass models

Discovery of the Higgs boson give new ways to search for heavy neutrinos with  $m_\nu > \mathcal{O}(1 \text{ TeV})$

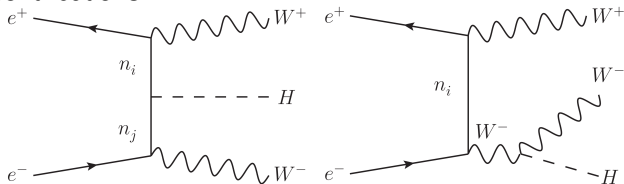
- $H\bar{\ell}_i\ell_j$ :
  - Contribution negligible in the SM  $\rightarrow$  **evidence** of new physics if observed
  - Large branching ratios are possible:
    - $\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 10^{-5}$  in ISS [Arganda, Herrero, Marcano, CW, 2015]
    - $\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 1\%$  in SUSY-ISS [Arganda, Herrero, Marcano, CW, 2016]
  - Sensitive to **off-diagonal** Yukawa couplings  $Y_\nu$
- $HHH$ :
  - Useful to **validate the Higgs mechanism** as the origin of EWSB
  - One of the **main motivations** for future colliders
  - ISS: Deviations as large as 30% [Baglio, CW, 2017]
  - Sensitive to **diagonal** Yukawa couplings  $Y_\nu$
- $WWH$  production
  - Overlooked channel for BSM searches
  - t-channel process: different dependence on the heavy neutrino mass
  - Sensitive to **diagonal** Yukawa couplings  $Y_\nu$

# WWH production

- Idea: Probe  $Y_\nu$  at tree-level with off-shell N  $\Rightarrow$  t-channel  $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-H$
- Good detection prospects in SM [Baillargeon et al., 1994]
- SM contributions:



- SM+ISS contributions:



- SM electroweak corrections negligible for  $\sqrt{s} > 600 \text{ GeV}$  [Mao et al., 2009]  
 $\Rightarrow$  neglected in our analysis

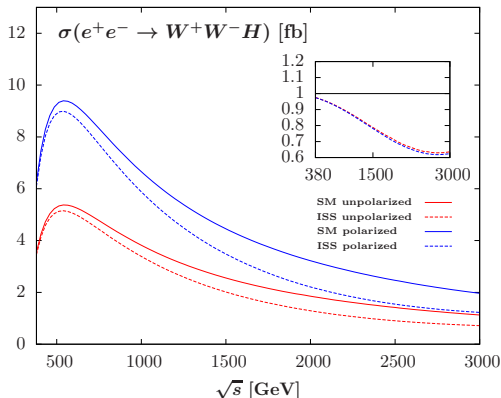
# Most relevant constraints for the ISS

- Accommodate low-energy neutrino data using  $\mu_X$ -parametrization [Arganda, Herrero, Marciano, CW, 2015; Baglio, CW, 2017]

$$\mu_X = M_R^T Y_\nu^{-1} U_{\text{PMNS}}^* m_\nu U_{\text{PMNS}}^\dagger Y_\nu^{T-1} M_R \nu^2 \quad \text{and beyond}$$

- Charged lepton flavour violation  
→ For example:  $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 4.2 \times 10^{-13}$  [MEG, 2016]
- Global fit to EWPO and lepton universality tests [Fernandez-Martinez et al., 2016]
- Electric dipole moment: 0 with real PMNS and mass matrices
- Invisible Higgs decays:  $M_R > m_H$ , does not apply
- Yukawa perturbativity:  $|\frac{Y_\nu^2}{4\pi}| < 1.5$

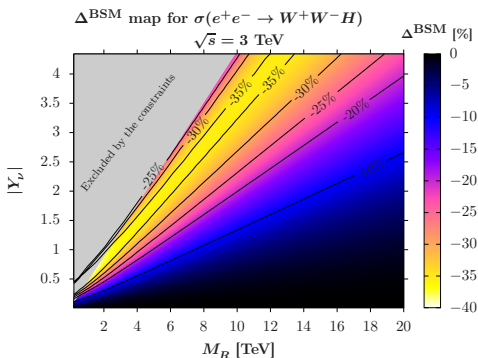
# CoM energy dependence



- LO calculation, neglecting  $m_e$
- Calculation done with FeynArts, FormCalc, BASES
- Deviation from the SM in the insert
- Polarized:  $P_{e^-} = -80\%$ ,  $P_{e^+} = 0$
- $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-H)_{\text{pol}} \sim 2\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-H)_{\text{unpol}}$
- $Y_\nu = \mathbb{1}$ ,  $M_{R_1} = 3.6$  TeV,  $M_{R_2} = 8.6$  TeV,  $M_{R_3} = 2.4$  TeV

- Destructive interference between SM and heavy neutrino contributions
- Maximal deviation of  $-38\%$  close to 3 TeV

# Results in the ISS



- $\Delta^{\text{BSM}} = (\sigma^{\text{ISS}} - \sigma^{\text{SM}}) / \sigma^{\text{SM}}$

- Polarization  $P_{e^-} = -80\%$

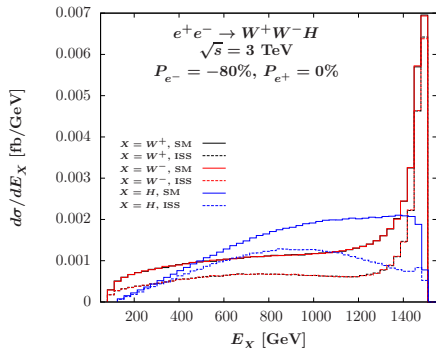
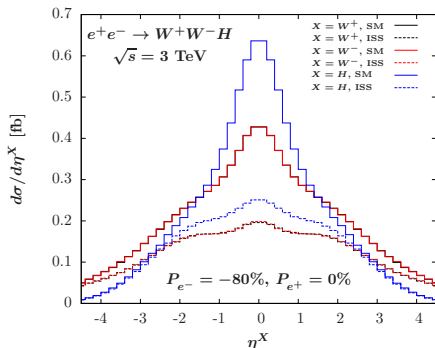
$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{approx}}^{\text{ISS}} = \frac{(1 \text{ TeV})^2}{M_R^2} \text{Tr}(Y_\nu Y_\nu^\dagger) \times \left( 17.07 - \frac{19.79 \text{ TeV}^2}{M_R^2} \right)$$

$$\Delta_{\text{approx}}^{\text{BSM}} = (\mathcal{A}_{\text{approx}}^{\text{ISS}})^2 - 11.94 \mathcal{A}_{\text{approx}}^{\text{ISS}}$$

- Fit agrees within 1% for  $M_R > 3 \text{ TeV}$

- Maximal deviation of  $-38\%$ ,  $\sigma_{\text{pol}}^{\text{ISS}} = 1.23 \text{ fb}$   
 → ISS induces sizeable deviations in large part of the parameter space
- Provide a new probe of the  $\mathcal{O}(10) \text{ TeV}$  region  
 ⇒ Complementary to existing observables

# Enhancing the deviations



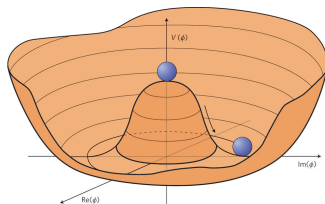
- Stronger destructive interference from ISS for:
  - central production
  - larger Higgs energy
- Cuts:  $|\eta_H| < 1$ ,  $|\eta_{W^\pm}| < 1$  and  $E_H > 1 \text{ TeV}$

	Before cuts	After cuts
$\sigma_{\text{SM}}$ (fb)	1.96	0.42
$\sigma_{\text{ISS}}$ (fb)	1.23	0.14
$\Delta^{\text{BSM}}$	-38%	-66%

# Comparison: the triple Higgs coupling

- Scalar potential before EWSB:

$$V(\phi) = -\mu^2|\phi|^2 + \lambda|\phi|^4$$



- After EWSB:  $m_H^2 = 2\mu^2$ ,  $v^2 = \mu^2/\lambda$

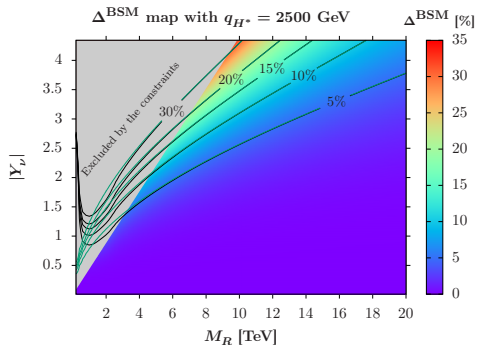
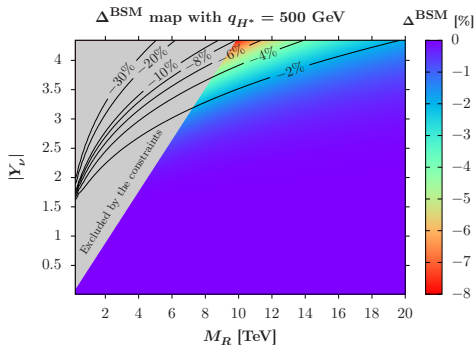
$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{v+H}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow V(H) = \frac{1}{2}m_H^2 H^2 + \frac{1}{3!}\lambda_{HHH}H^3 + \frac{1}{4!}\lambda_{HHHH}H^4$$

and

$$\lambda_{HHH}^0 = -\frac{3m_H^2}{v}, \quad \lambda_{HHHH}^0 = -\frac{3m_H^2}{v^2}$$

Comparison:  $\lambda_{HHH}$  in the ISS

[JHEP04(2017)038]



- $\Delta^{\text{BSM}} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{HHH}^{1r,SM}} \left( \lambda_{HHH}^{1r,\text{full}} - \lambda_{HHH}^{1r,SM} \right)$
- Diagonal  $Y_\nu$ : full calculation in black, approximate formula in green
- Heavy  $\nu$  effects at the limit of the ILC (10%) sensitivity
- Heavy  $\nu$  effects clearly visible at the FCC-hh (5%)
- Sizeable deviation in a smaller part of the parameter space



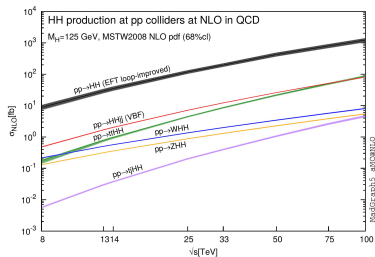
# Conclusions

- $\nu$  oscillations  $\rightarrow$  New physics is needed to generate masses and mixing
- Higgs sector allows new measurement to probe neutrino mass models
- Corrections to  $W^+W^-H$  production as large as  $-66\%$  after cuts
- Maximal for diagonal  $Y_\nu$  and provide new probes of the  $\mathcal{O}(10)$  TeV region
- Larger deviations than for  $\lambda_{HHH}$
- Complementarity with flavour observables

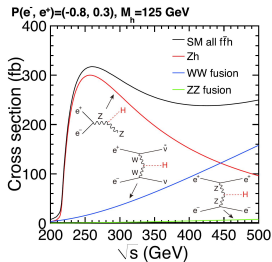
# Backup slides



# Future sensitivities to the SM HHH coupling



[Contino et al., 2017]



[Fujii et al., 2015]

- At hadron colliders

- Production:  $gg$  dominates, VBF cleanest

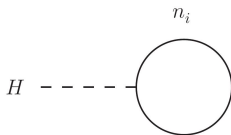
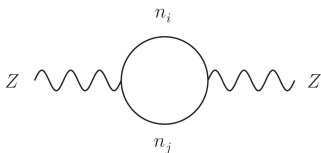
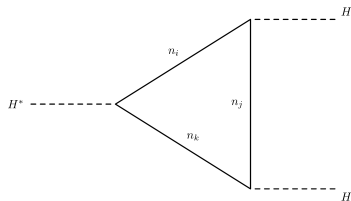
- FCC-hh: 8% per experiment with  $3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  using only  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  [He et al., 2016]  
 ~ 5% combining all channels

- At  $e^+e^-$  collider

- Main production channels: Higgs-strahlung and VBF

- ILC: 27% at 500 GeV with  $4 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  [Fujii et al., 2015]  
 10% at 1 TeV with  $5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  [Fujii et al., 2015]

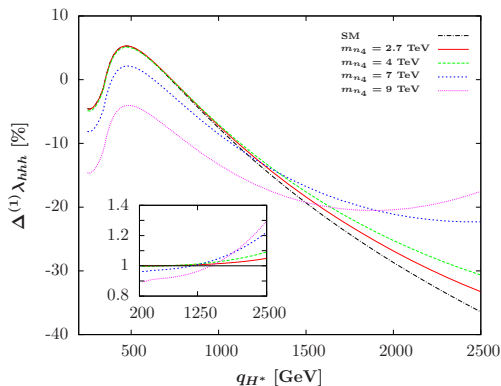
# Calculation in the ISS



- Generically: impact of new fermions coupling through the **neutrino portal**
- New 1-loop diagrams and new counterterms  
→ Evaluated with `FeynArts`, `FormCalc` and `LoopTools`
- OS renormalization scheme

Formulas for both Dirac and Majorana fermions coupling through the neutrino portal are available (see PRD94(2016)013002 as well)

# Momentum dependence



- $\Delta^{(1)}\lambda_{HHH} = \frac{1}{\lambda^0} (\lambda_{HHH}^{1r} - \lambda^0)$
- Focus on 1 neutrino contribution, fixed mixing  $B_{\tau 4} = 0.087$ ,  $B_{e/\mu 4} = 0$
- Deviation from the SM correction in the insert
- $\max |(B^\dagger B)_{i4}| m_{n_4} = m_t$   
 $\rightarrow m_{n_4} = 2.7 \text{ TeV}$   
 tight perturbativity of  $\lambda_{HHH}$  bound:  
 $m_{n_4} = 7 \text{ TeV}$   
 width bound:  $m_{n_4} = 9 \text{ TeV}$

- Largest positive correction at  $q_H^* \simeq 500 \text{ GeV}$ , heavy  $\nu$  decreases it
- Large negative correction at large  $q_H^*$ , heavy  $\nu$  increases it

