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TeV-scale lepton number violation: $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay, the origin of matter, and energy frontier probes

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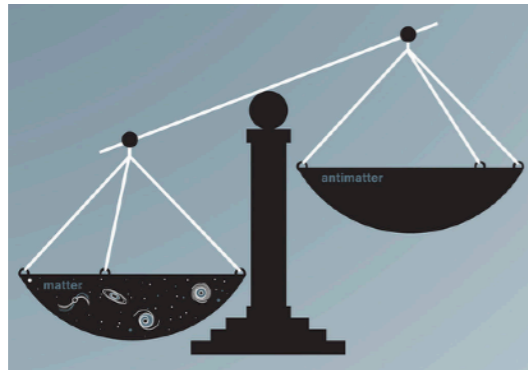
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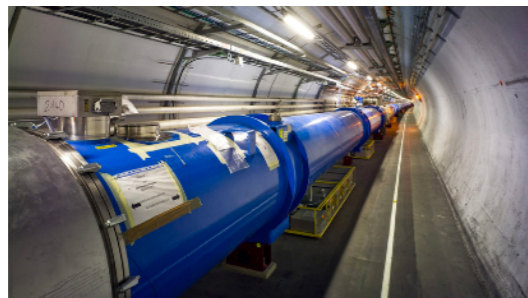
New physics?

Λ (Energy)



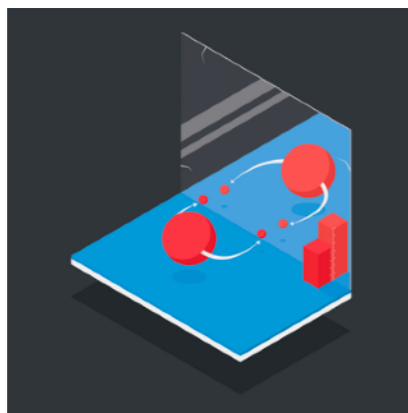
Symmetry magazine (Oct 2015)

Why is there way more matter than antimatter in the observable universe?



Symmetry magazine (Aug 2014)

Will we see BSM physics at the LHC?



CERN press release (Mar 2019)

Are neutrinos their own antiparticles?

Lepton Number Violation
($\mathcal{L} = \# \text{ leptons} - \# \overline{\text{leptons}}$)



TeV-scale

Deppisch, Harz & Hirsch (2013)
De Gouvêa et al. (2019)
Helo et al. (2013)

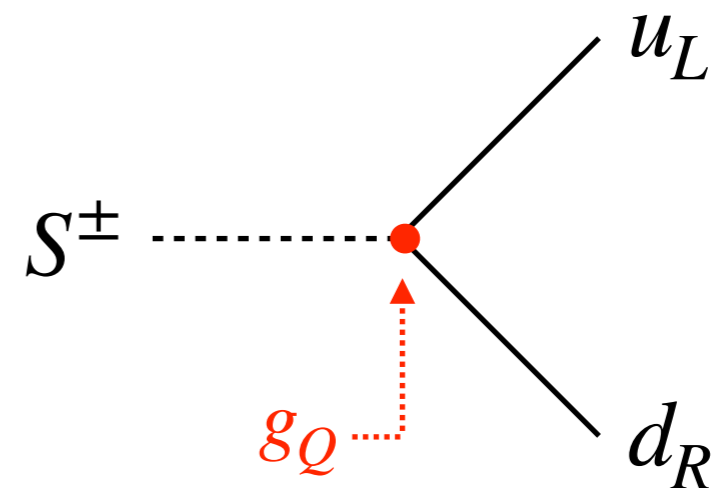
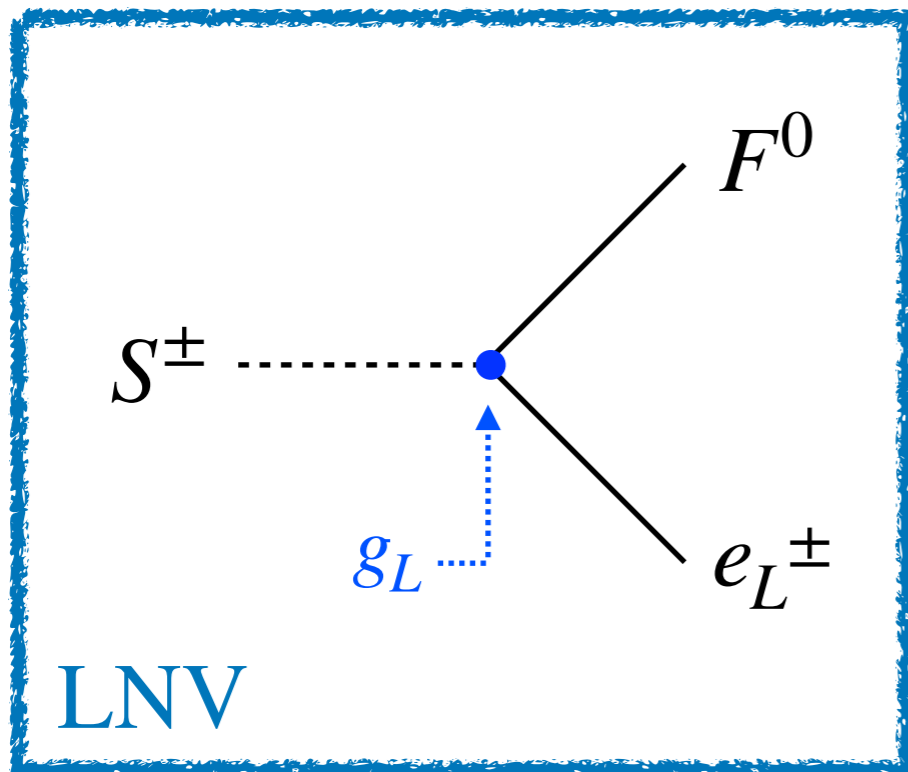
New physics? Model O2

We study a simplified model: **“Model O2”** Peng, Ramsey-Musolf & Winslow (2015)

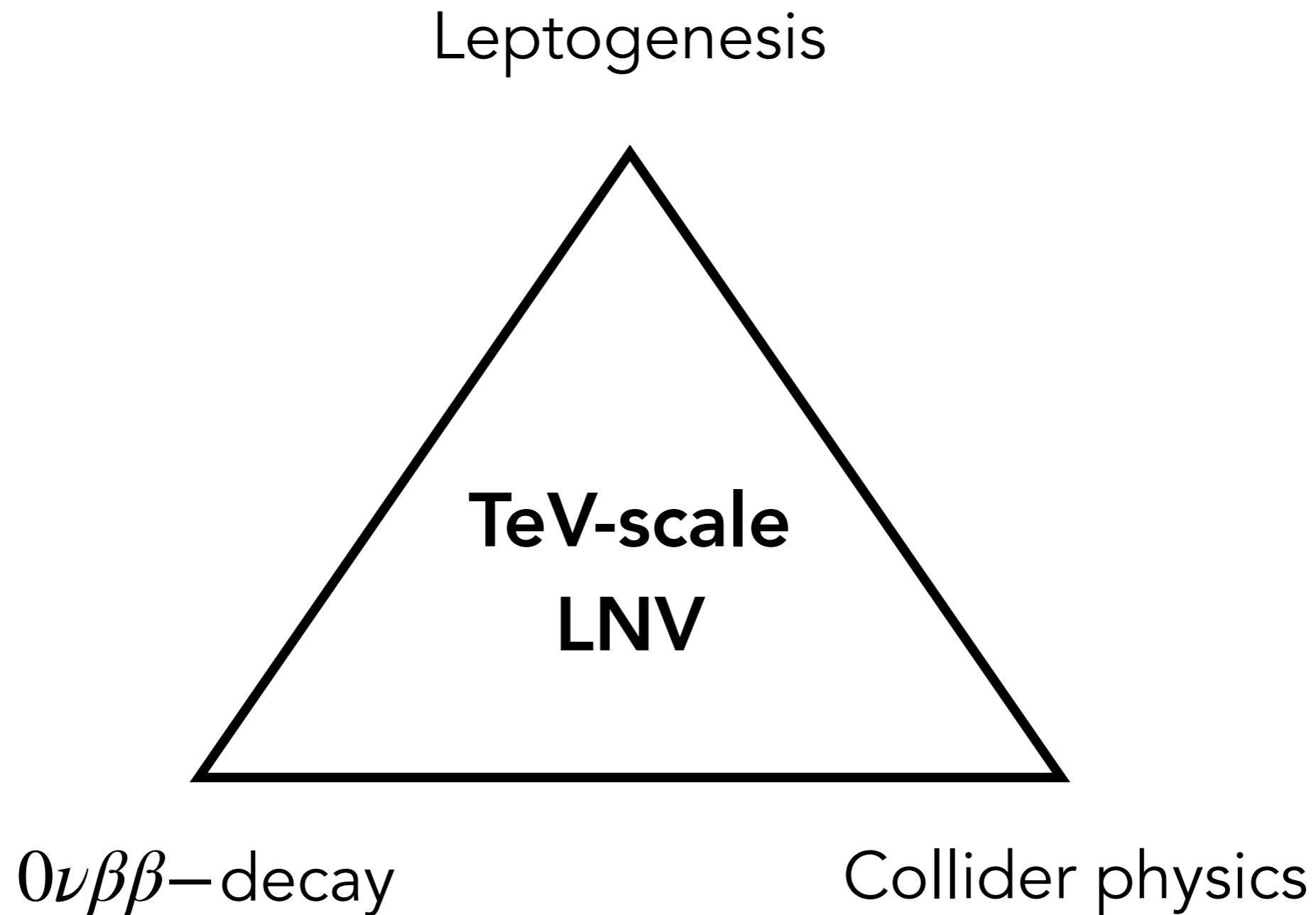
SM + $S : (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, 1/2)$ and $F : (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, 0)$

$m_F, m_S \sim \text{TeV}$

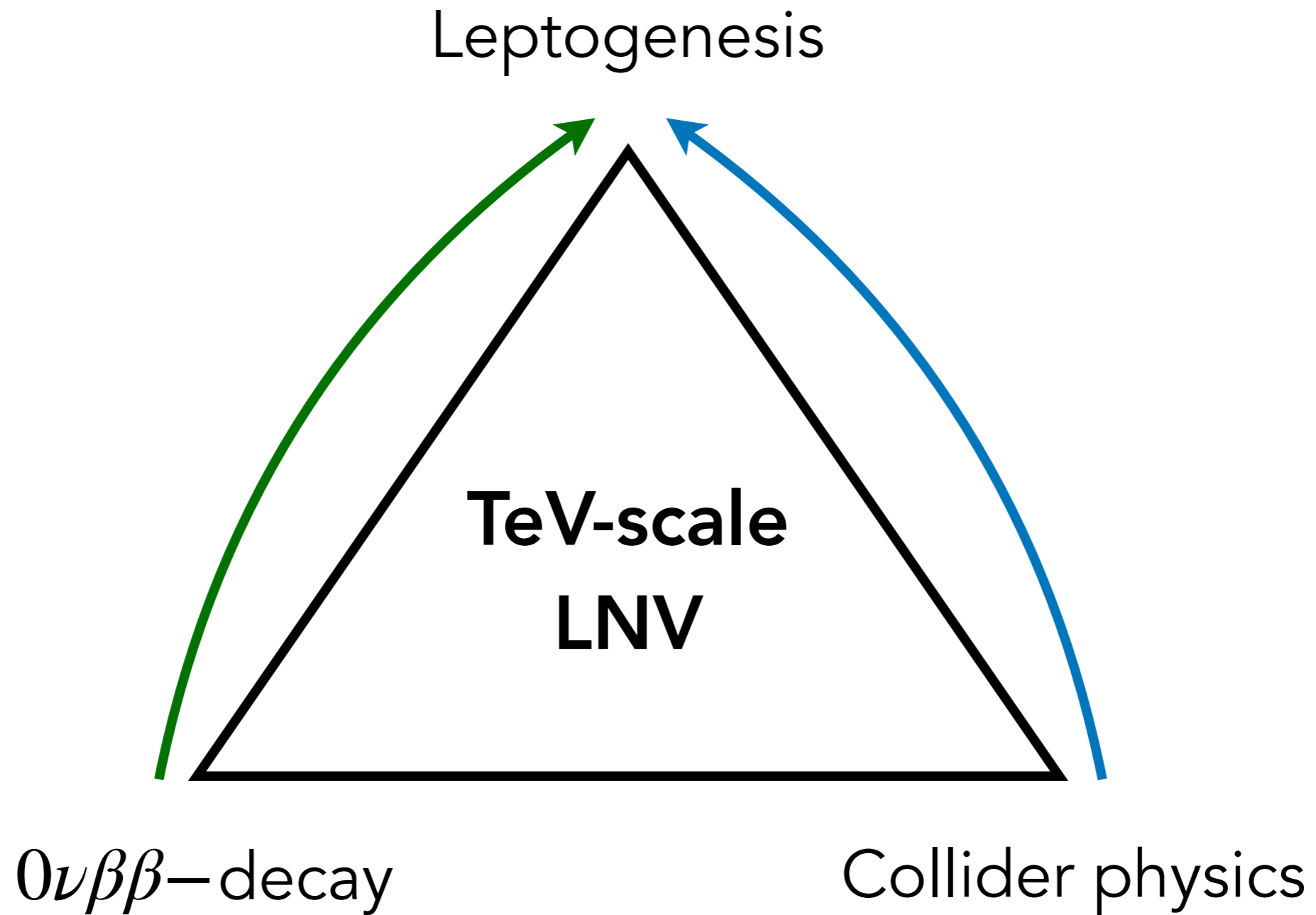
Minimal interactions



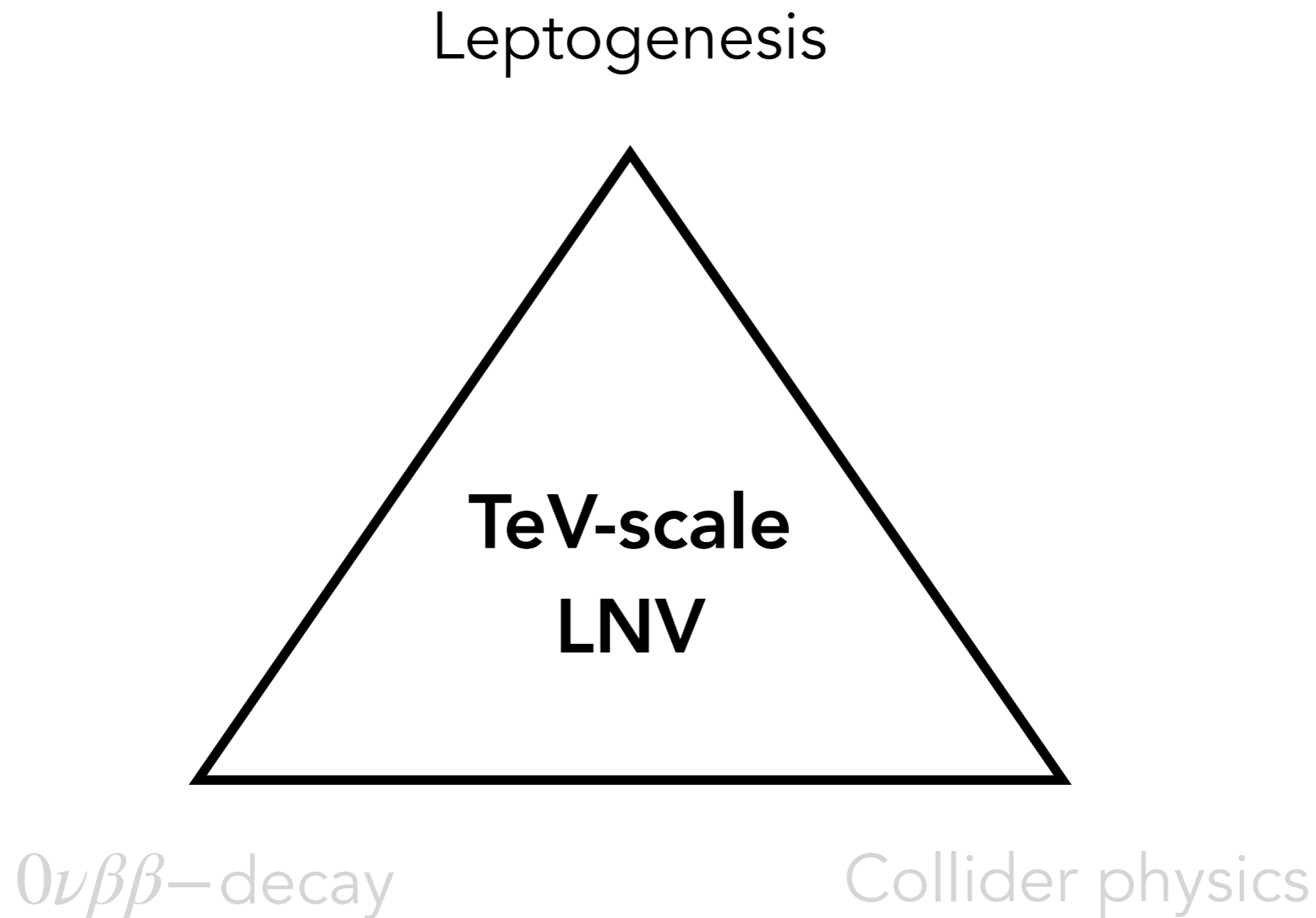
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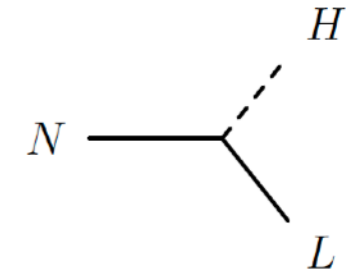
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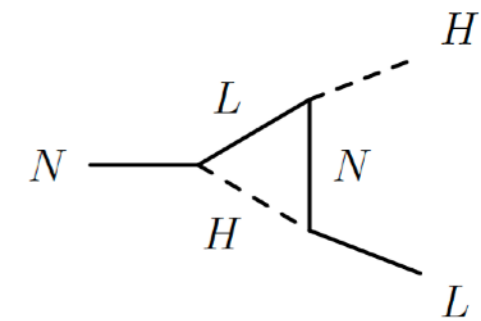
I. TeV-Scale and the Origin of matter



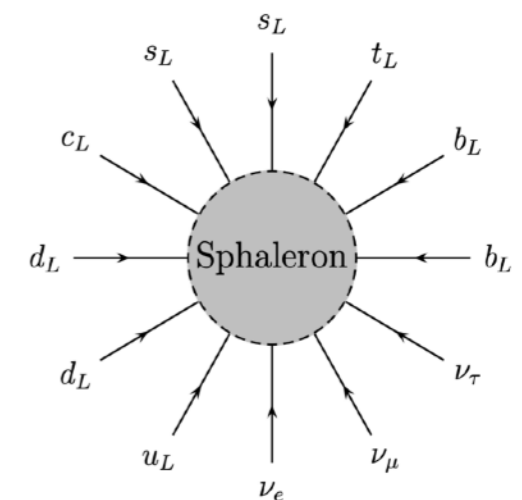
- SM + heavy right-handed, Majorana neutrino N :
 $\Delta\mathcal{L} \neq 0$



- Quantum corrections: CP -violation

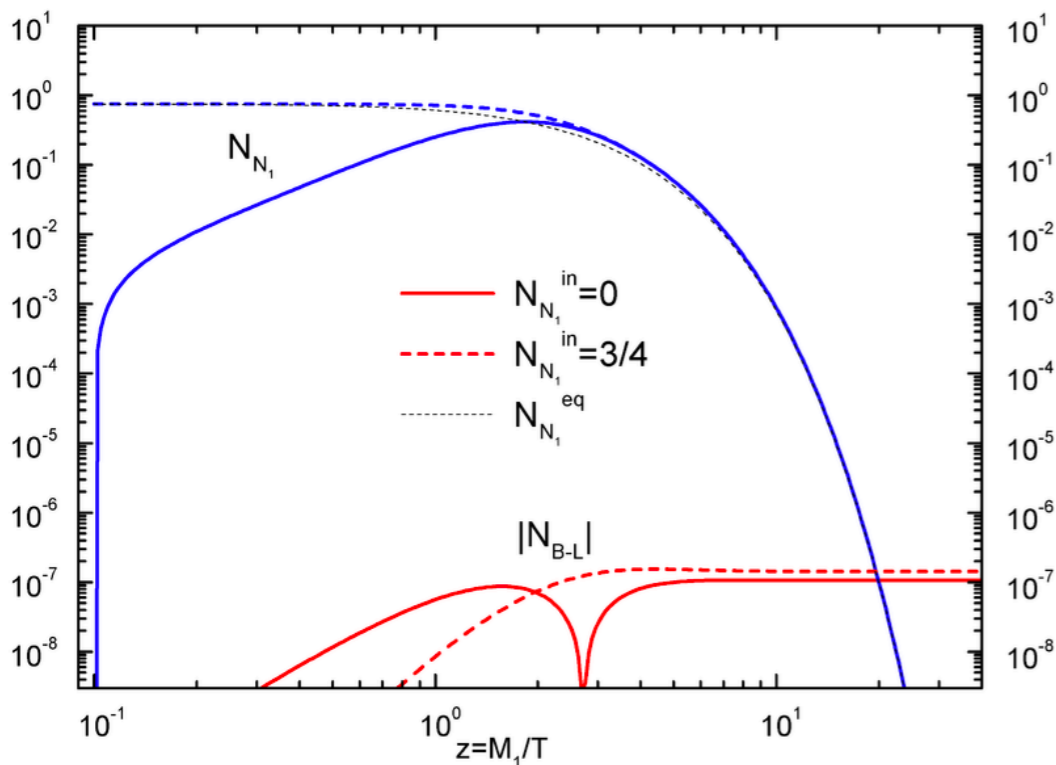


- Sphaleron processes: $\Delta\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \Delta\mathcal{B}$



arXiv:hep-ph/9812447

- The leptogenesis process is described by Boltzmann equations:



Buchmuller *et al.* (2015)

Decay term

Scattering term

$$\frac{dY_N}{dz} = - (D + S) (Y_N - Y_N^{(eq)})$$

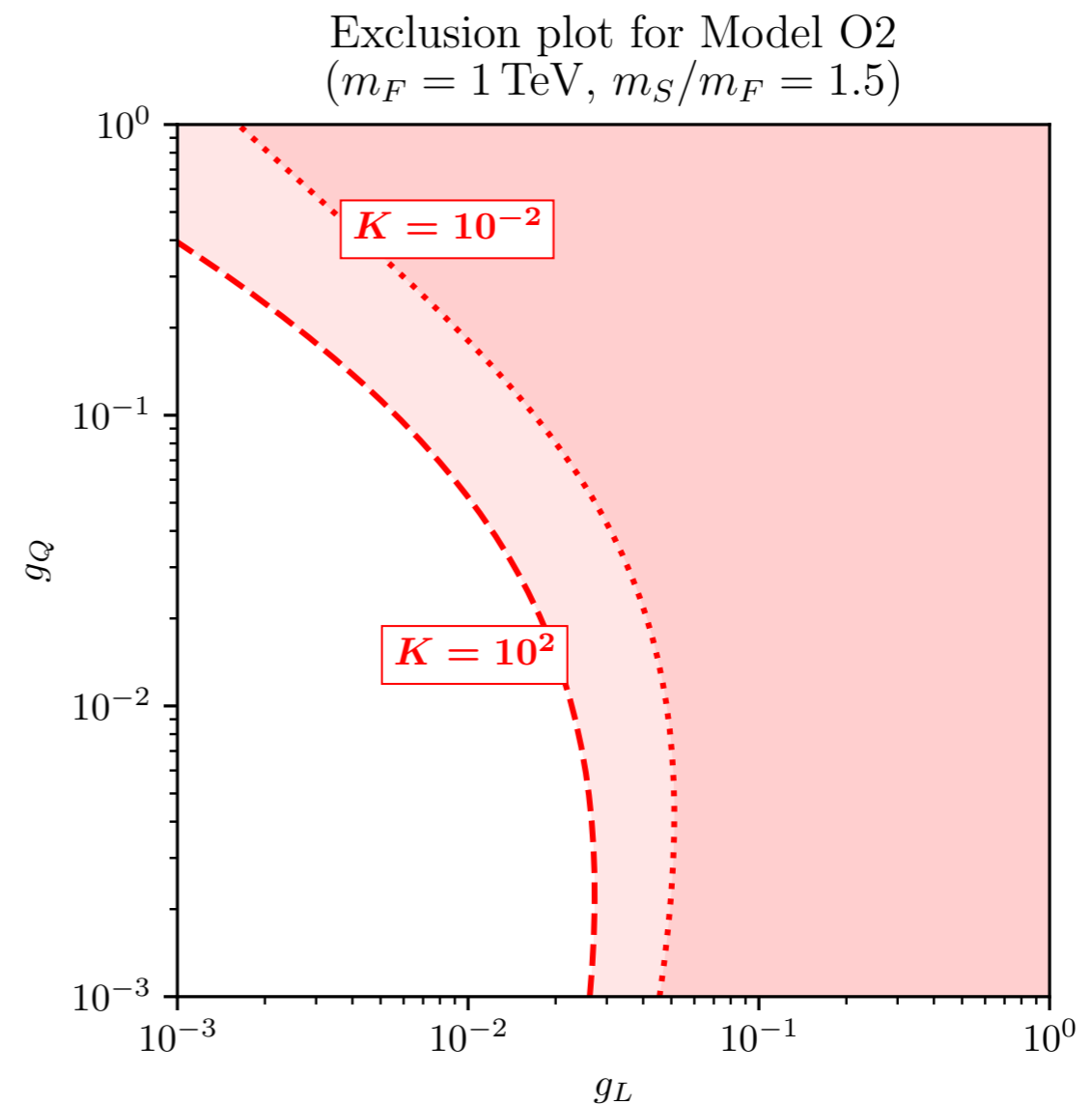
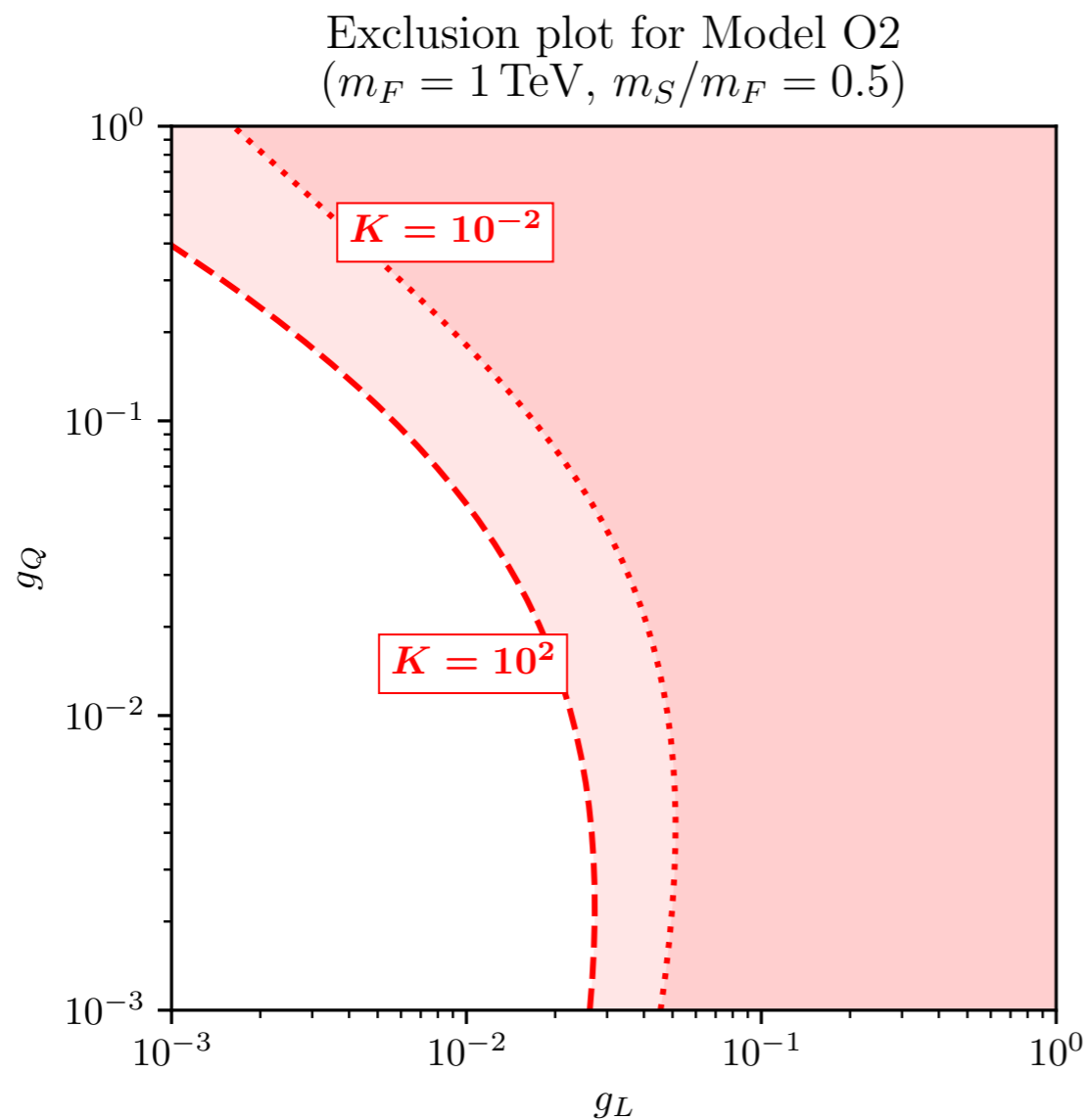
$$\frac{dY_{\mathcal{B}-\mathcal{L}}}{dz} = - \epsilon D (Y_N - Y_N^{(eq)}) - W Y_{\mathcal{B}-\mathcal{L}}$$

Washout term

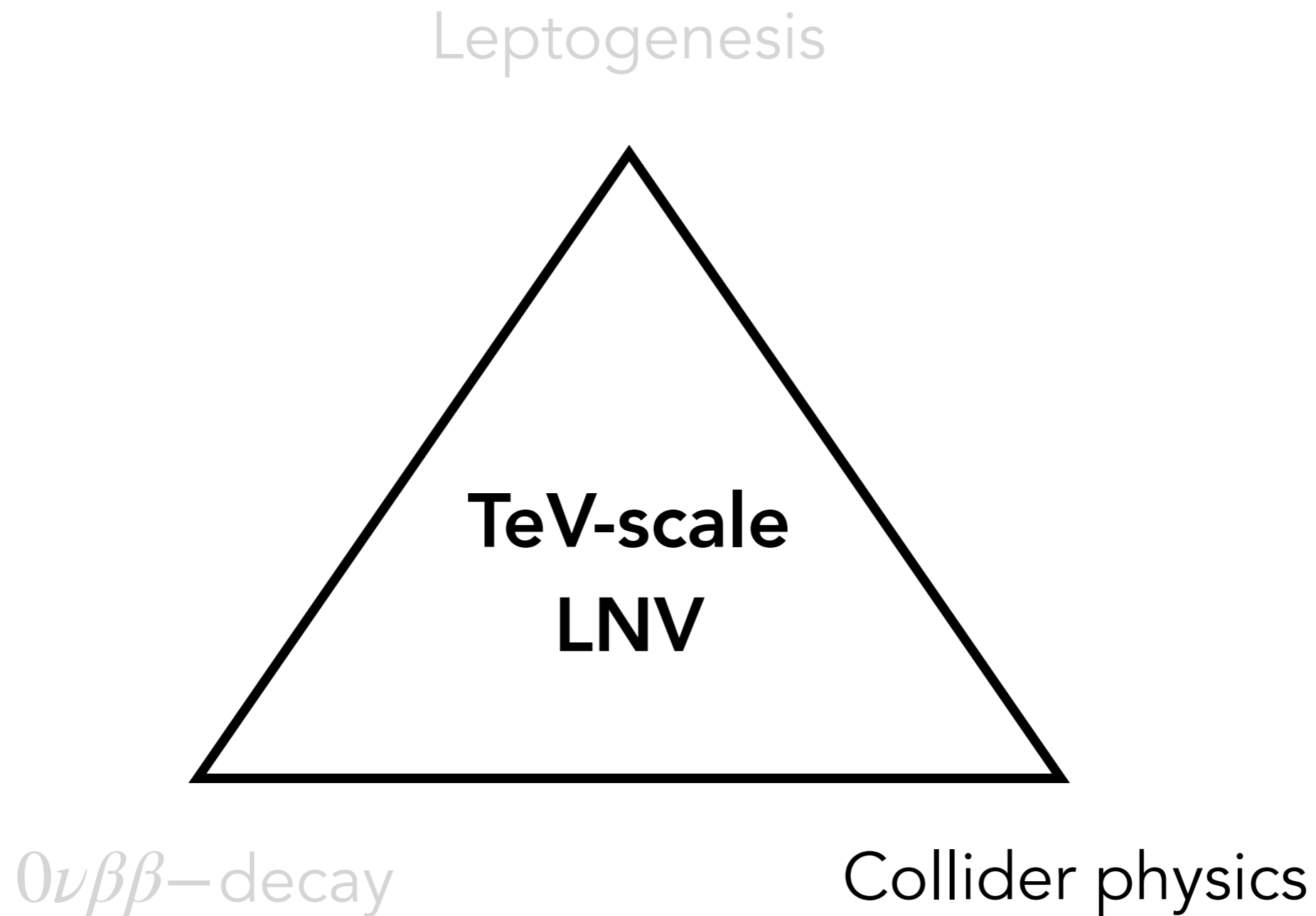
Y_X (N_X) : normalized number density

TeV-scale LNV effects

- Standard LG works, but requires $m_N \gtrsim 10^9 \text{ GeV}$ Davidson & Ibarra (2002)
- What if we include accessible TeV-scale effects? **Model O2**

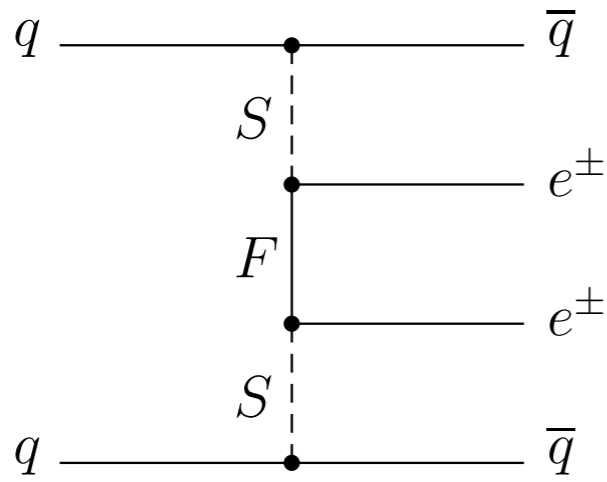


II. TeV-Scale and Energy frontier probes

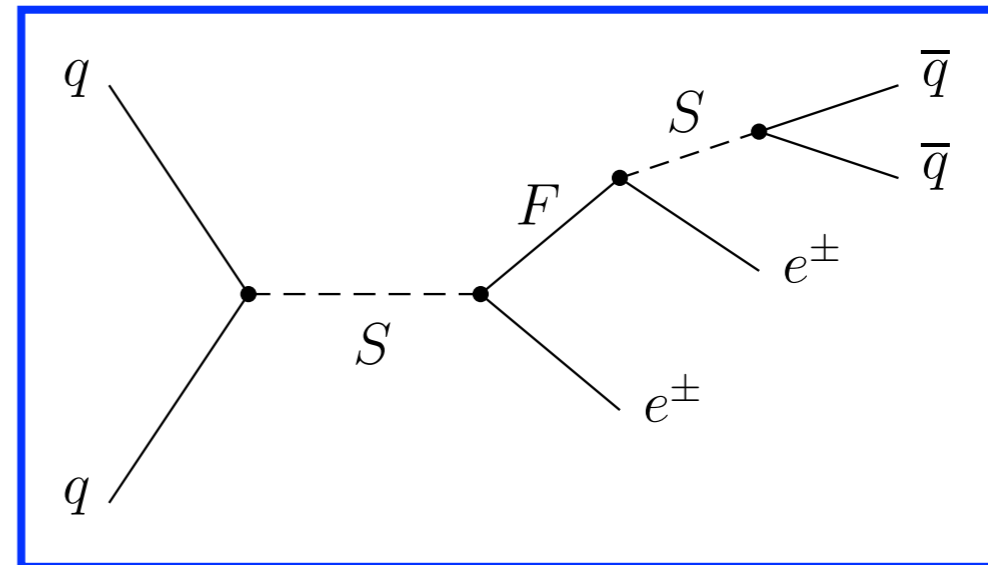


LNV searches at colliders

- **Signal:** two same-sign leptons and two jets, $pp \rightarrow jj\ell^\pm\ell^\pm$



(a)



(b)

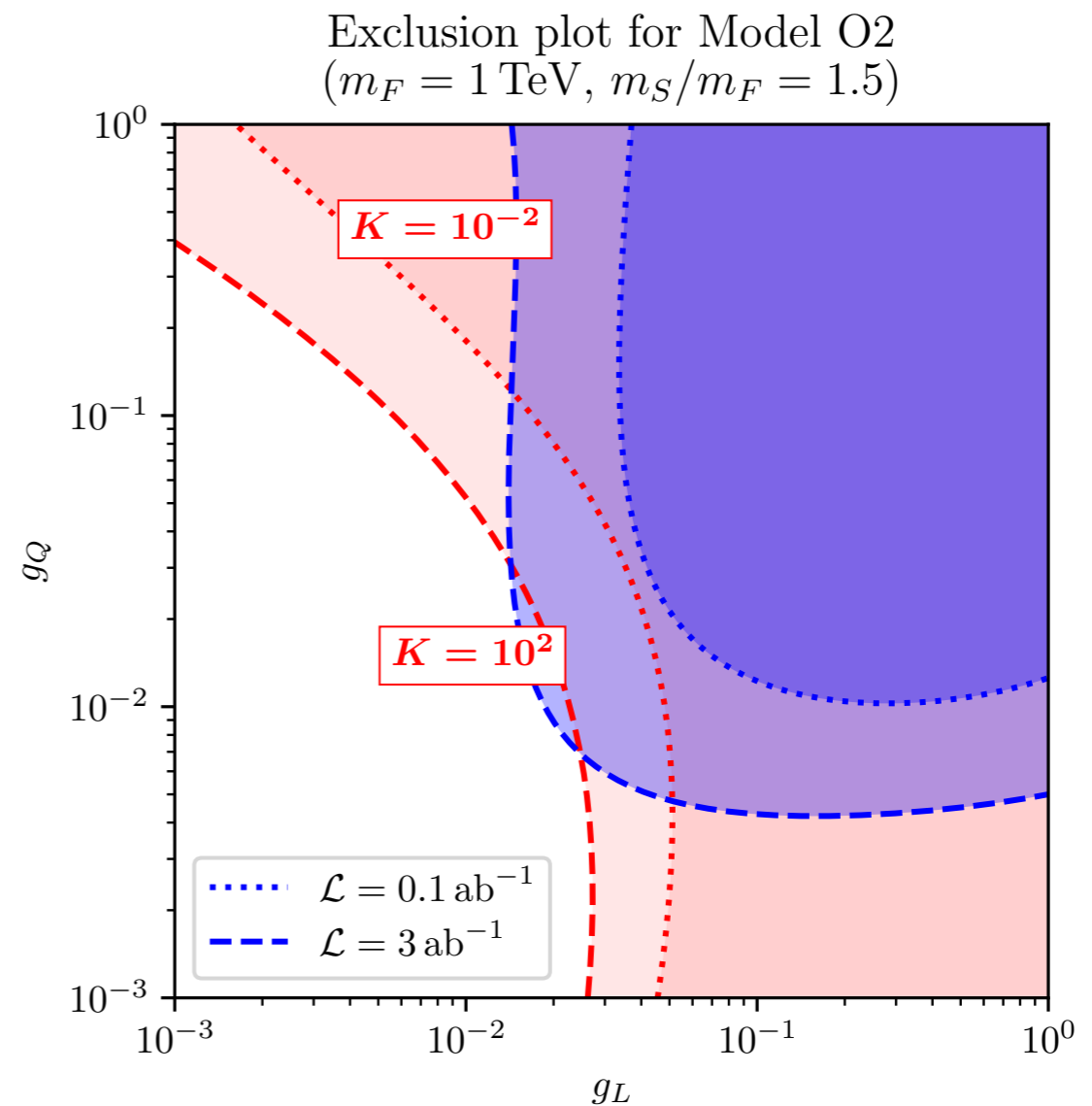
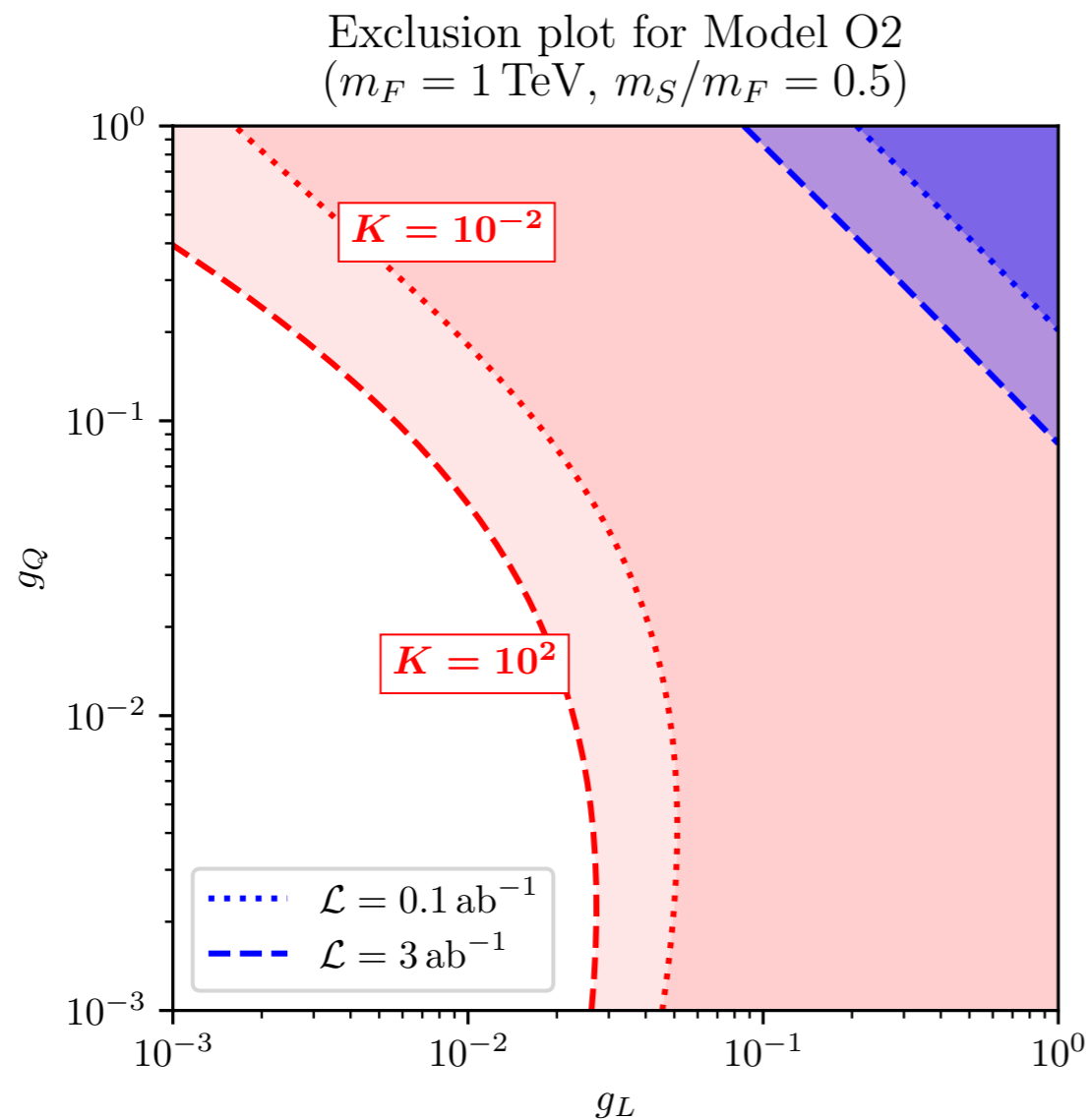
- **Background:**

1. SM processes with 2SS leptons (e.g., $jjWW$, $t\bar{t}W$, $t\bar{t}Z$)
2. Charge misidentification (e.g., $t\bar{t}$, Z/γ^*)
3. Jet-fakes (e.g., $t\bar{t}$, $W + 3j$)

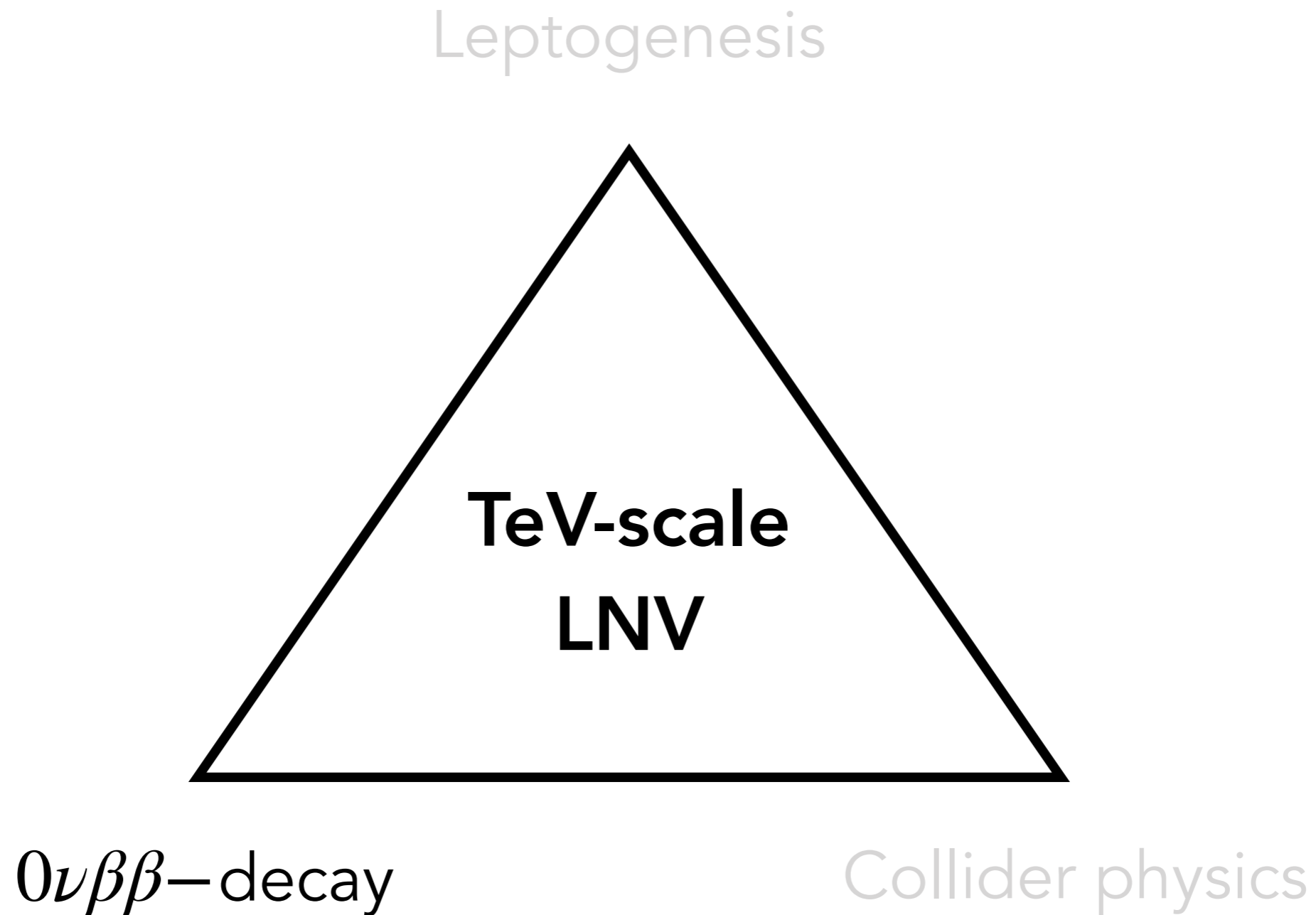
* Dominant contributions

TeV-scale LNV effects

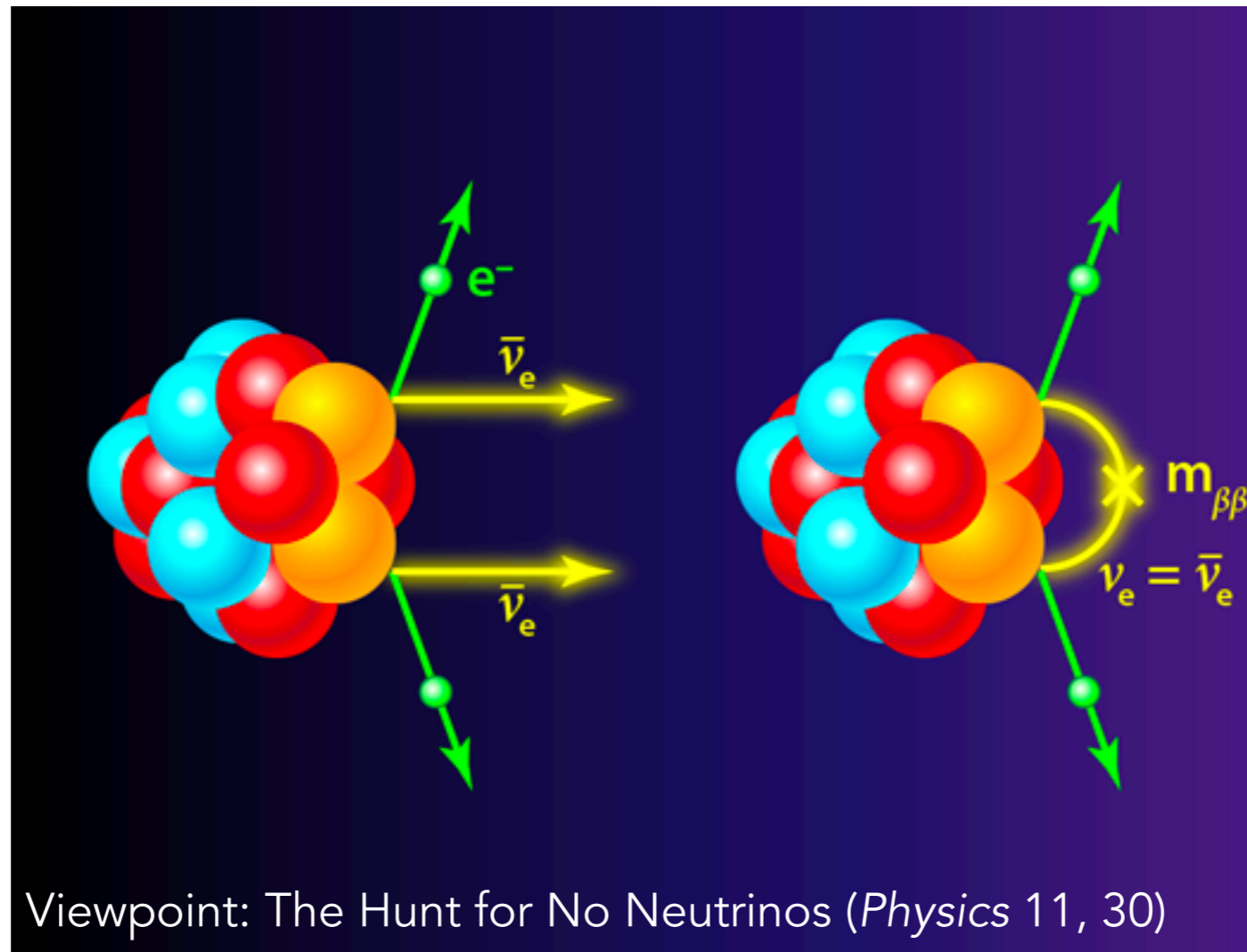
- Madgraph + Pythia 8 + Delphes for MC simulation
- Use of Neural Networks for signal/background discrimination



III. TeV-Scale and $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay



β -decays



$2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

Consistent with SM

Very rare but experimentally tested

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = 0$$

$0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

Not allowed in SM

Experimentally unseen

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = 2$$

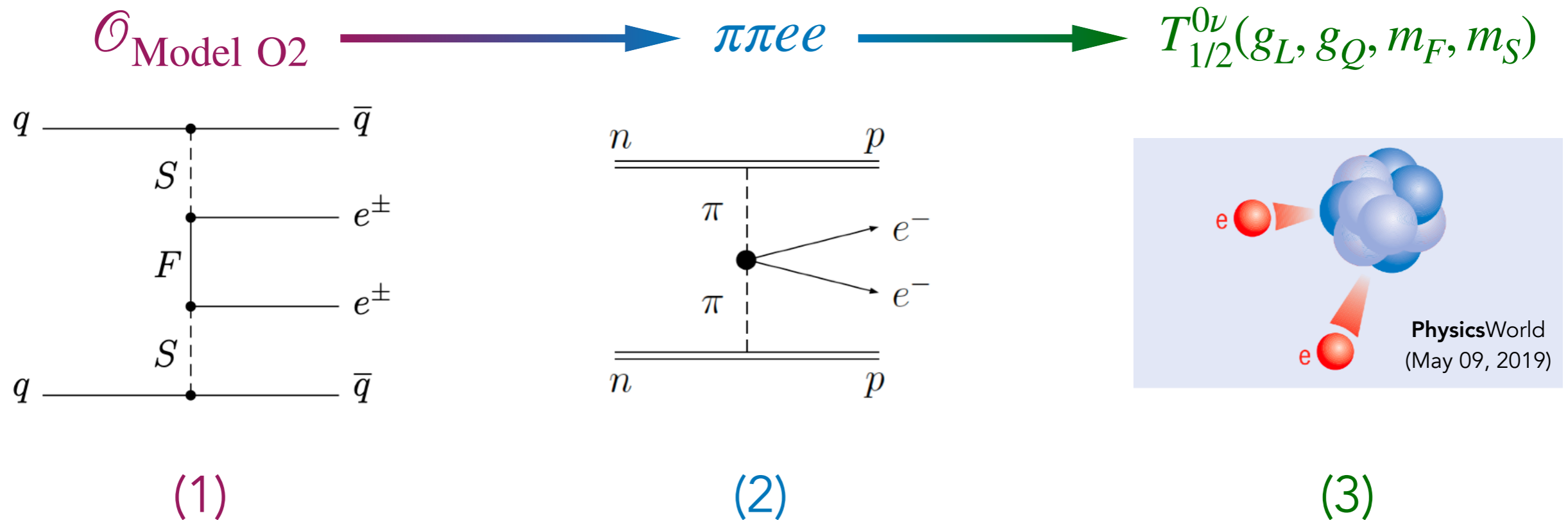
From simplified models to effective operators

1. Obtain the $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay operator after integrating out heavy d.o.f:

$$\mathcal{O} \propto \bar{u}\bar{u}d\bar{d}e\bar{e}$$

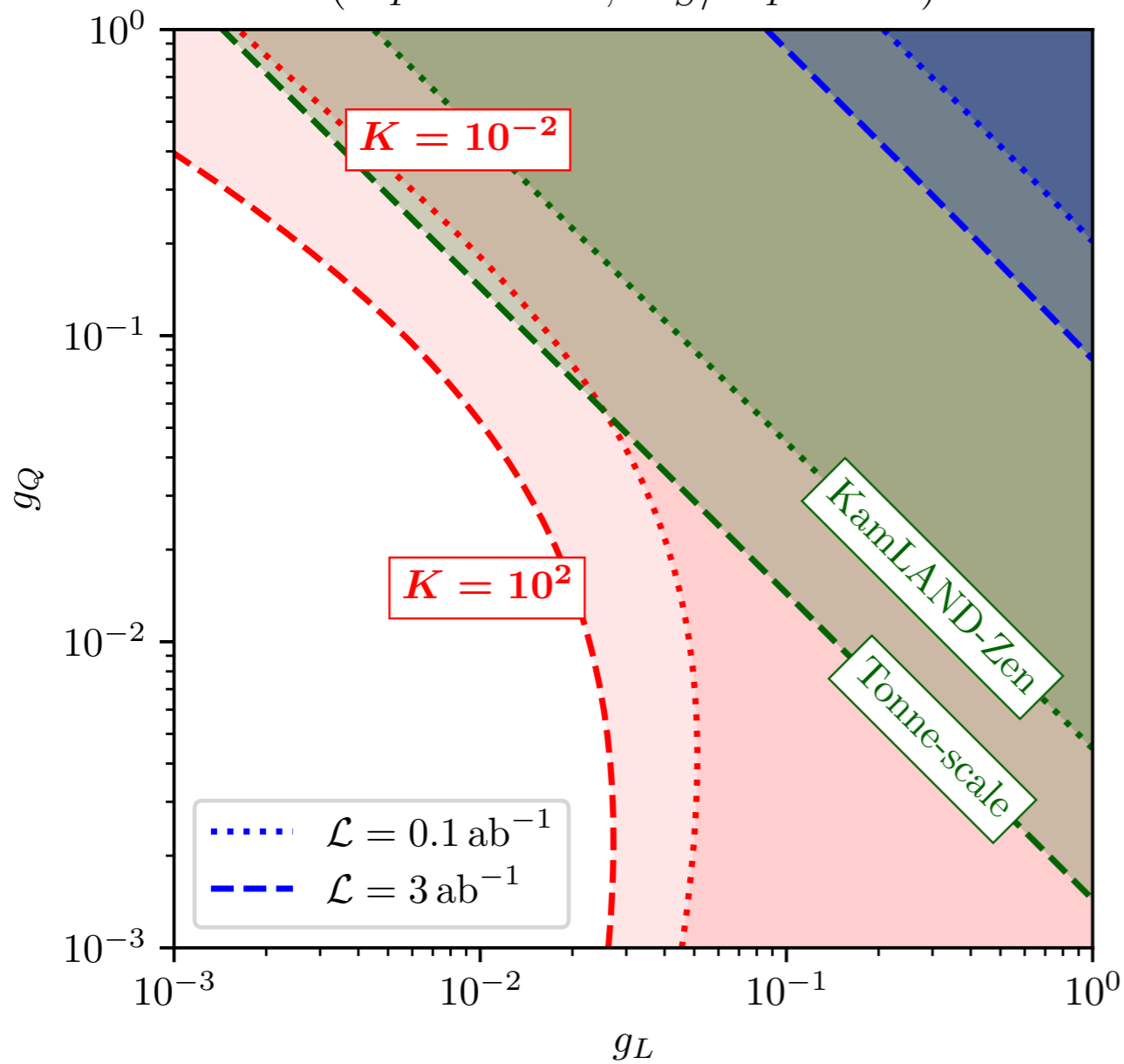
2. Match quark-electron operators onto two-nucleon operators

3. Using nuclear physics, calculate the half-life

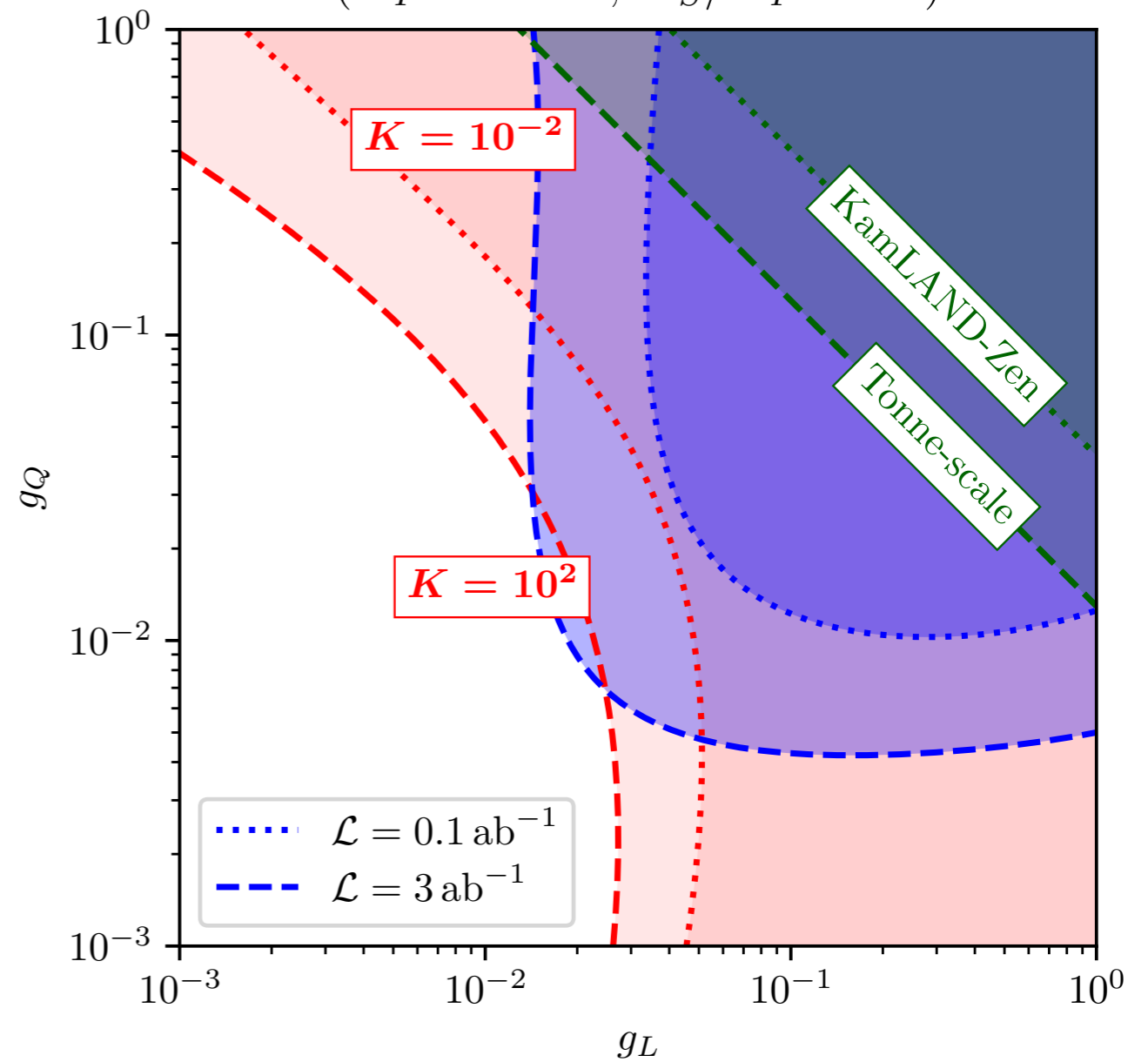


TeV-scale LNV effects

Exclusion plot for Model O2
($m_F = 1 \text{ TeV}$, $m_S/m_F = 0.5$)



Exclusion plot for Model O2
($m_F = 1 \text{ TeV}$, $m_S/m_F = 1.5$)



IV. Conclusions

- We have a well-motivated framework to perform different studies
- Rich phenomenology connecting different energy scales:
 - A. Nuclear physics
 - B. Collider physics
 - C. Cosmology
- Complementarity between these different but related scenarios
- Promising options to falsify one of the standard mechanisms to explain the baryon asymmetry



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Backup slides: Dirac and Majorana masses

Dirac mass term:

$$m_D \bar{\Psi} \Psi$$



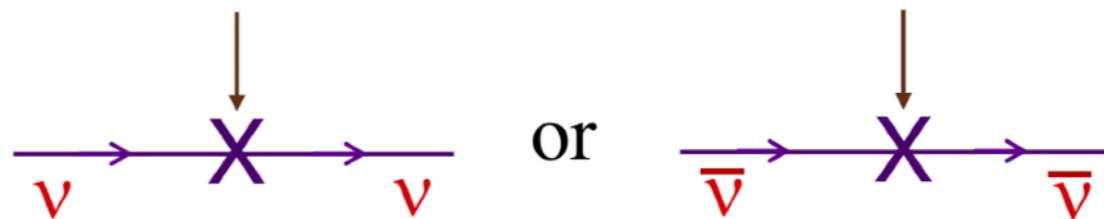
Majorana mass term:

$$m_M \bar{\Psi}^c \Psi$$

Dirac mass

Dirac mass

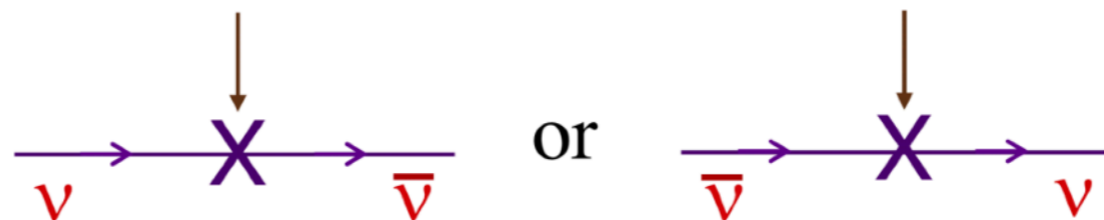
A Dirac mass has the effect:



Majorana mass

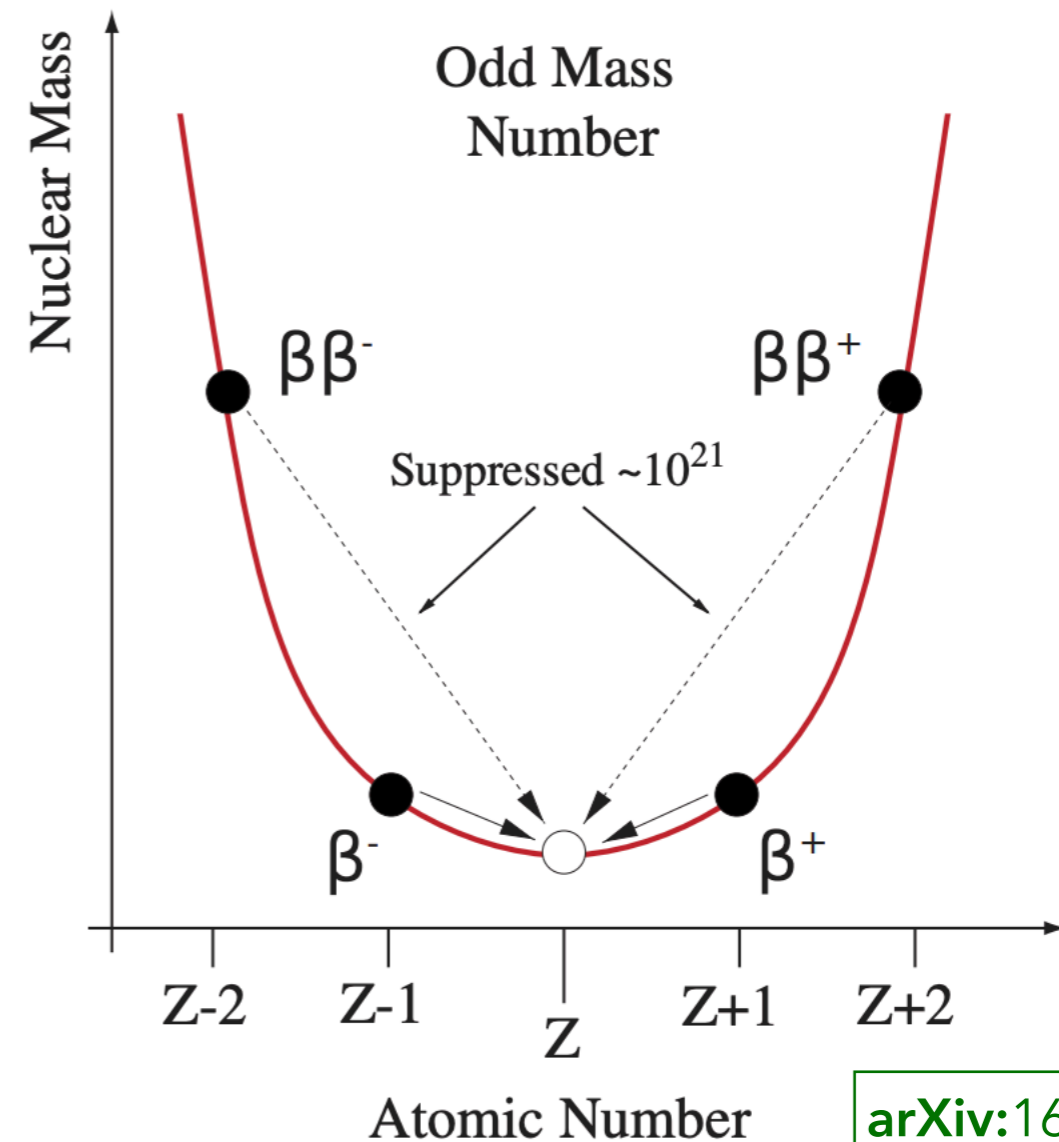
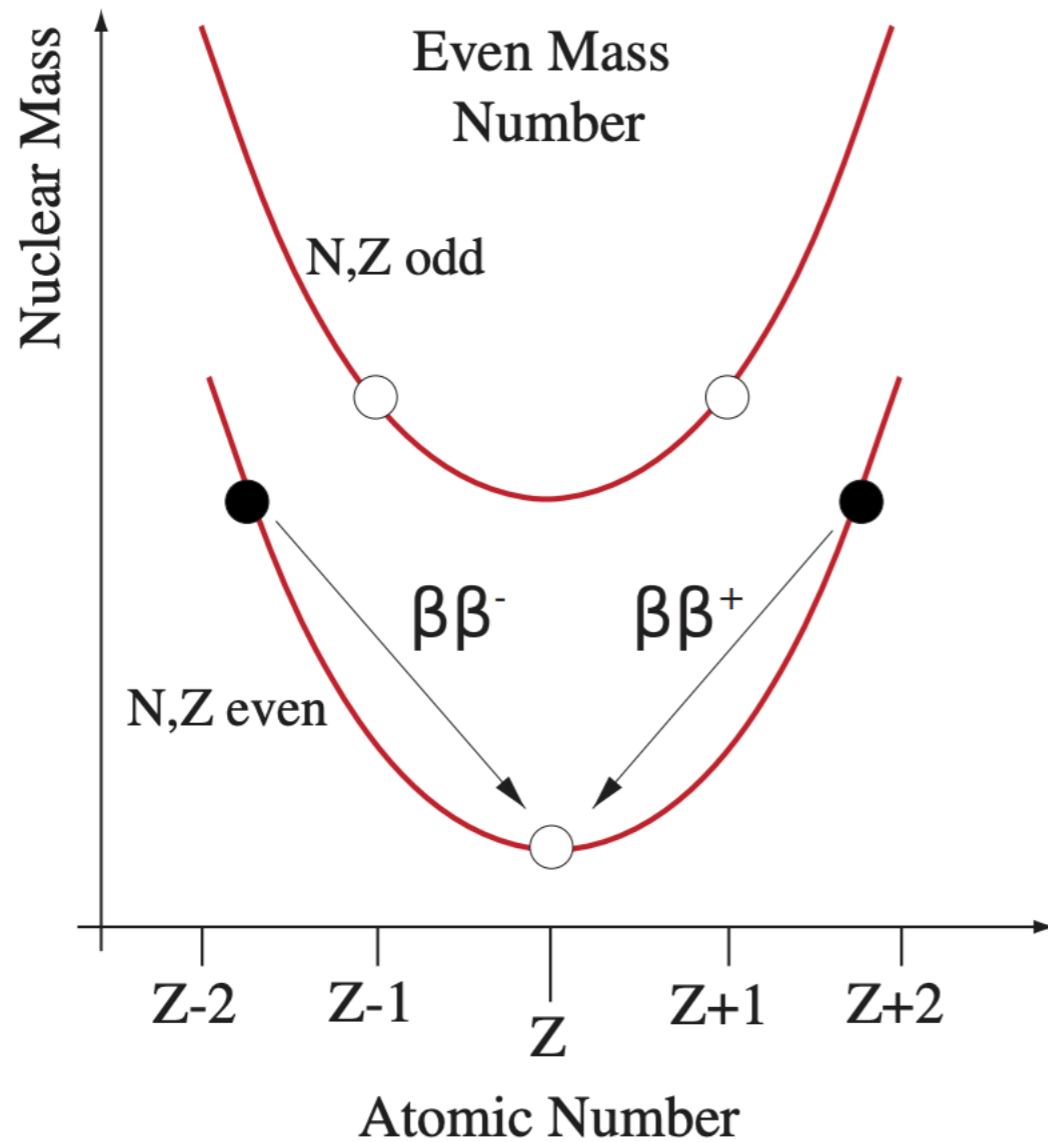
Majorana mass

A Majorana mass has the effect:



arXiv:1805.00922

Backup slides: Nuclear shell structure



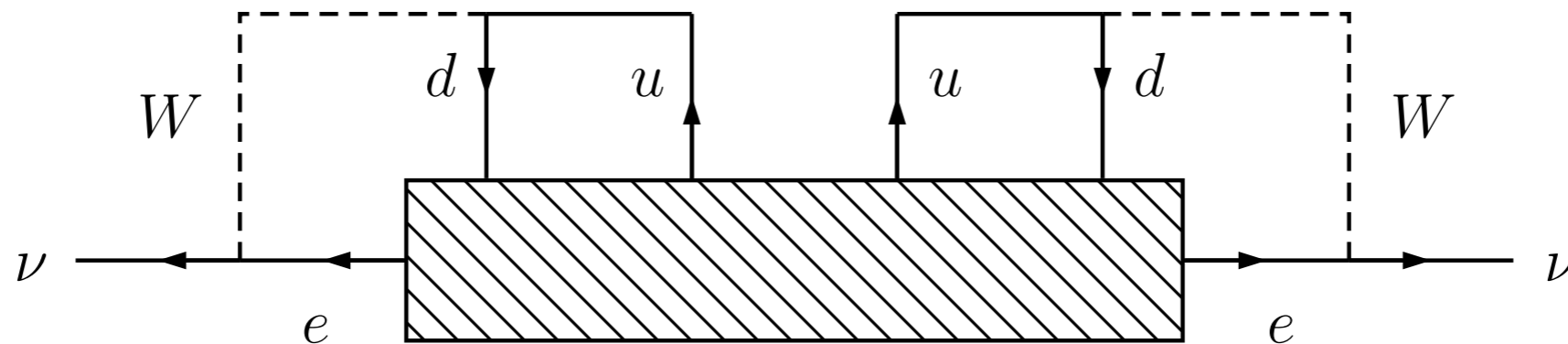
[arXiv:1601.07512](https://arxiv.org/abs/1601.07512)

"Candidate isotopes for detecting the $0\nu\beta\beta$ are even-even nuclei that, due to the nuclear pairing force, are lighter than the odd-odd ($A, Z + 1$) nucleus, making single beta decay kinematically forbidden"

Backup slides: Neutrinoless double beta decay

- Two e^- and no $\bar{\nu}_e$ are emitted: $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 2) + 2e^- + Q_{\beta\beta}$
- Not allowed in the SM: $\Delta\mathcal{L} \neq 0$
- Experimentally unseen

Black Box Theorem

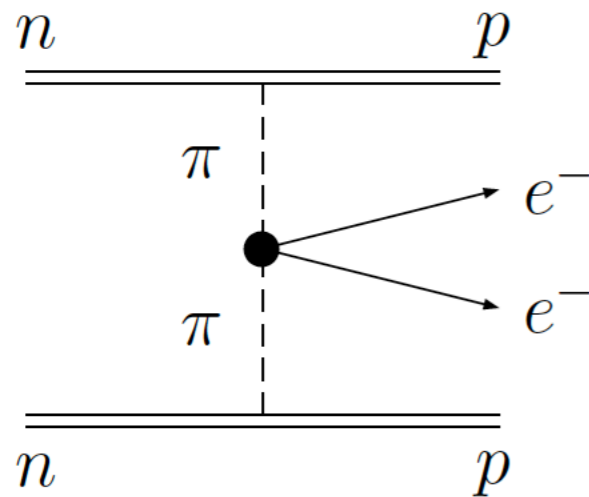


Majorana mass term: $\Delta\mathcal{L} = 2$

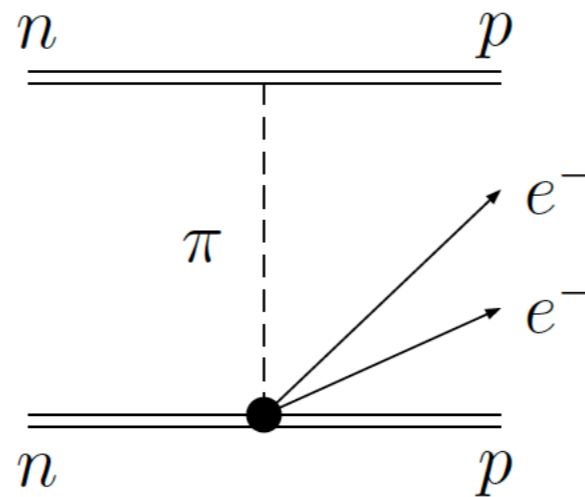
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Backup slides: Effective operators

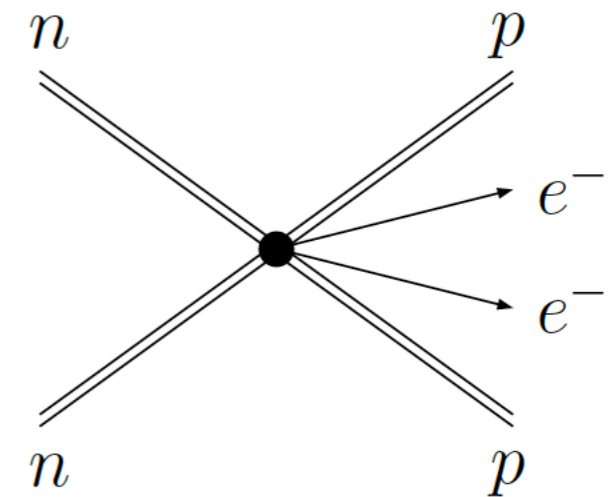
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$\pi\pi ee$



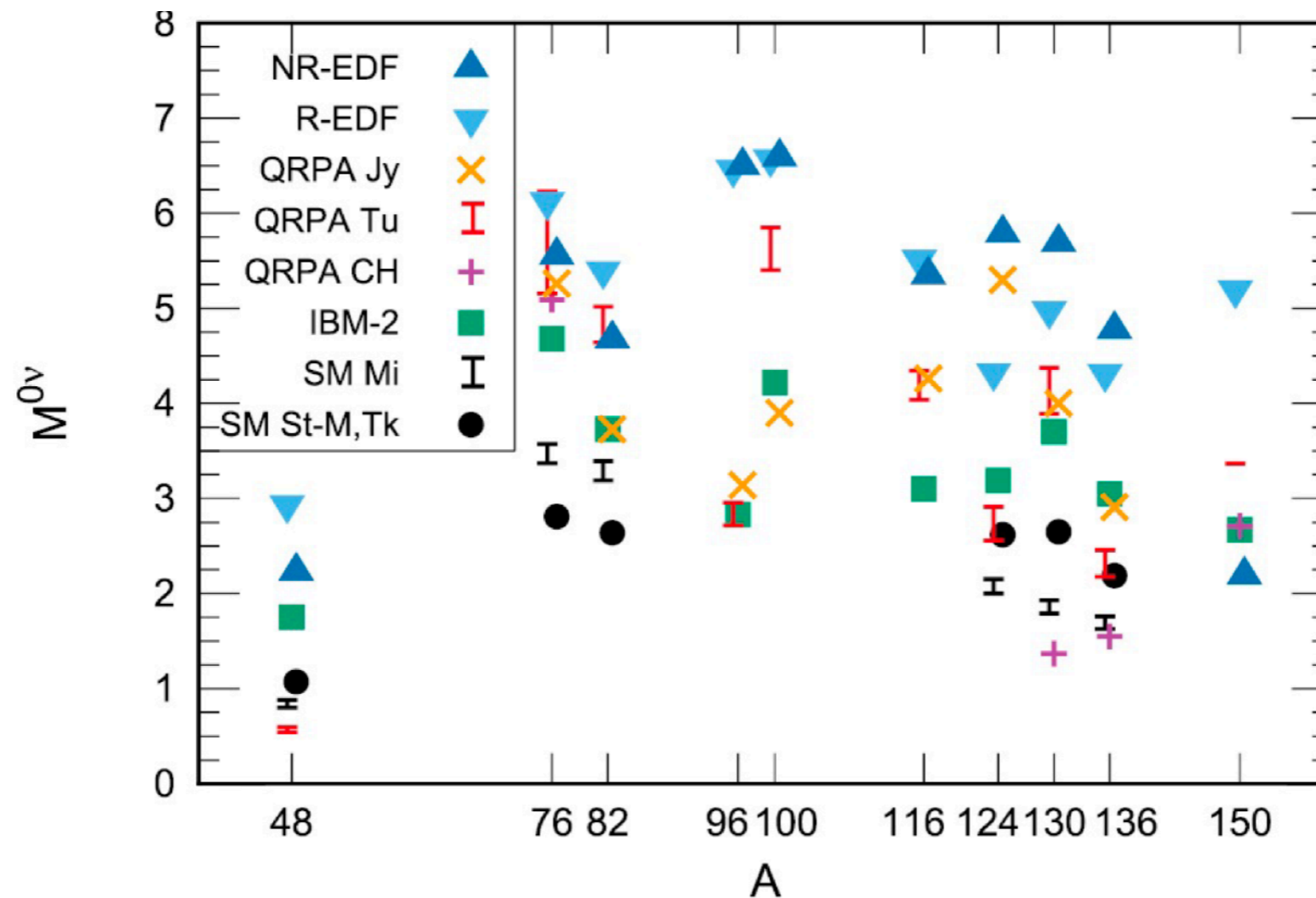
$NN\pi ee$



$NNNN ee$

Operator	$\mathcal{O}_{1+}^{\pm\pm}$	$\mathcal{O}_{2+}^{\pm\pm}$	$\mathcal{O}_{2-}^{\pm\pm}$	$\mathcal{O}_{3+}^{\pm\pm}$	$\mathcal{O}_{3-}^{\pm\pm}$	$\mathcal{O}_{4+}^{\pm\pm,\mu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{4-}^{\pm\pm,\mu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{5+}^{\pm\pm,\mu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{5-}^{\pm\pm,\mu}$
$\pi\pi ee$ LO	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
$\pi\pi ee$ NNLO	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
$NN\pi ee$ LO	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
$NN\pi ee$ NLO	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
$NNNN ee$ LO	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓

Backup slides: Nuclear Matrix Elements



Computing methods:

EDF: energy-density functional

QRPA: quasi-particle random phase approximation

SM: shell model

IBM: interacting boson model

[arXiv:1902.04097](https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.04097)

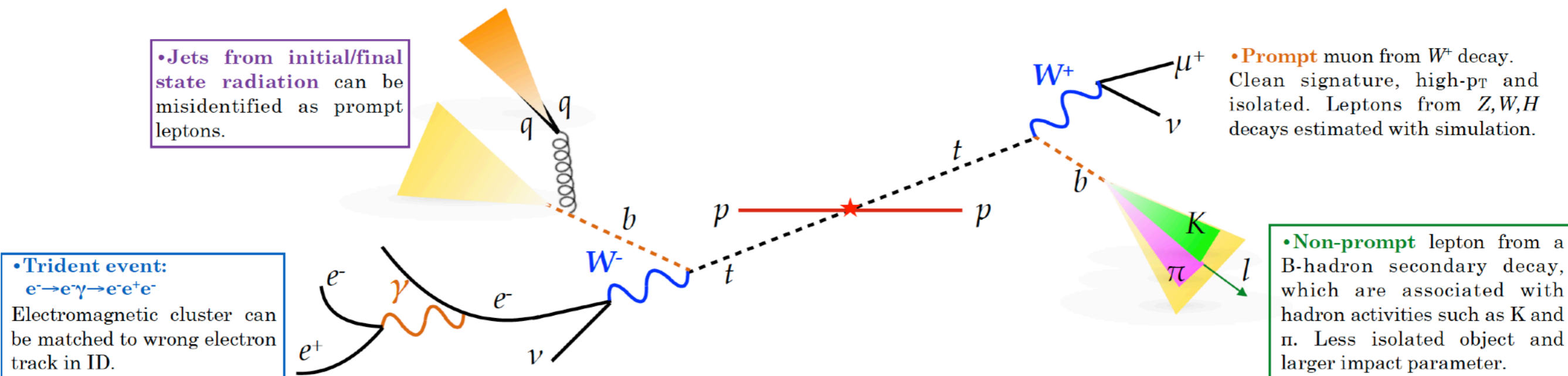
Backup slides: Lagrangian for Model O2

$$\mathcal{L}_{O2} = g_Q \bar{Q} S d_R + g_L \bar{L} \tilde{S} F - m_S^2 S^\dagger S - \frac{m_F}{2} \bar{F}^c F + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\tilde{X} \equiv \epsilon X^*, \quad \epsilon^{12} = +1$$

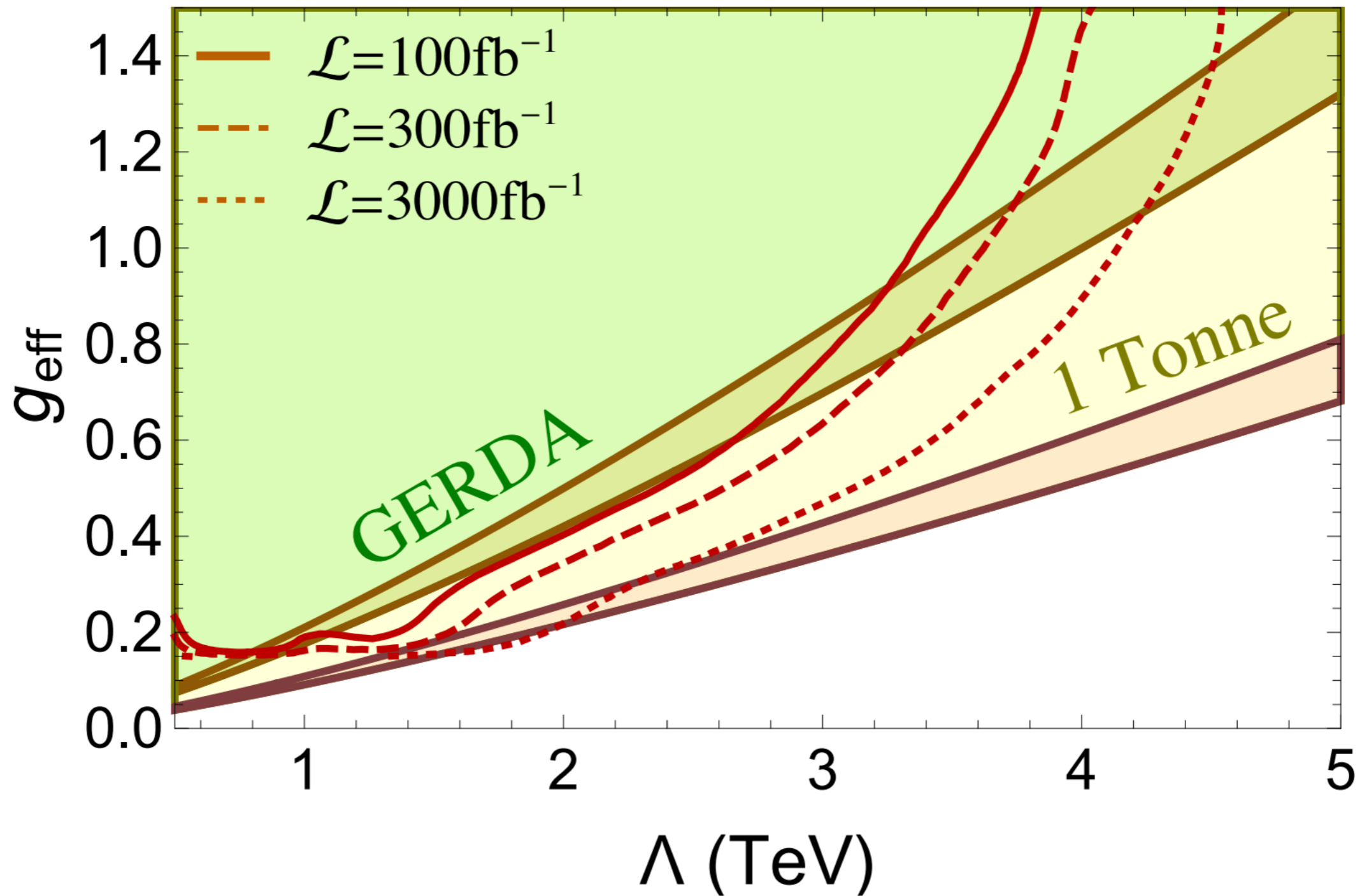
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Backup slides: Background types



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Backup slides: Previous study of Model O2



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