

Neutrinoless double decay and left-right symmetry



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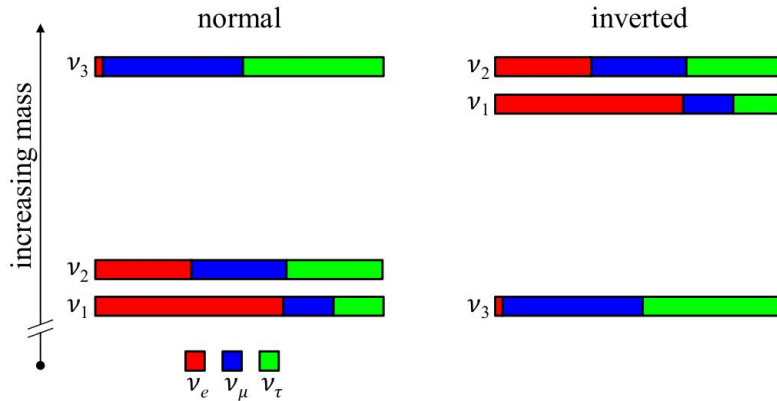
arXiv: 2009.01257 (PRL)

GL, Michael Ramsey-Musolf and Juan Carlos Vasquez

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Neutrinos: Dirac or Majorana?

Neutrino oscillation experiments imply that neutrinos are massive

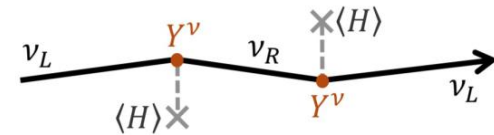


$$\Delta m_{21}^2 \approx 7.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$$

$$|\Delta m_{31}^2| \approx 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

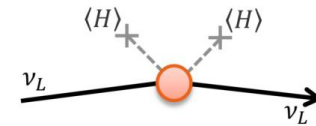
Dirac mass term

$$\mathcal{L}_D = -m_D(\bar{\nu}_L \nu_R + \text{h.c.})$$



Majorana mass term

$$\mathcal{L}_M = -\frac{m_M}{2}(\bar{\nu}_L \nu_L^c + \text{h.c.})$$



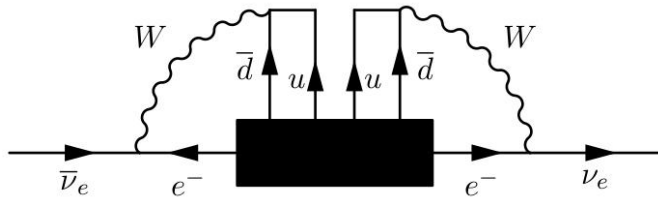
breaks the lepton number by two units

credit: J. Harz

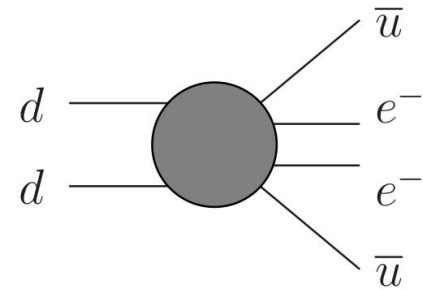
0νbb-decay: experiment

An observation of 0νbb-decay implies the **Majorana** nature of neutrinos

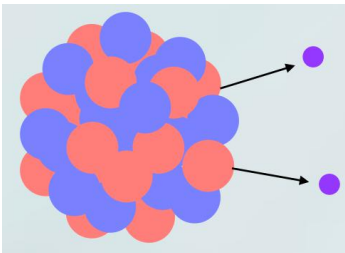
Majorana neutrino mass:



0νbb-decay:



Schechter, Valle
Phys.Rev. D25 (1982) 774;
Duerr, Lindner, Merle, 1105.0901
(JHEP)



$$(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 2) + e^- + e^-$$

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.07 \times 10^{26} \text{ yr}$$

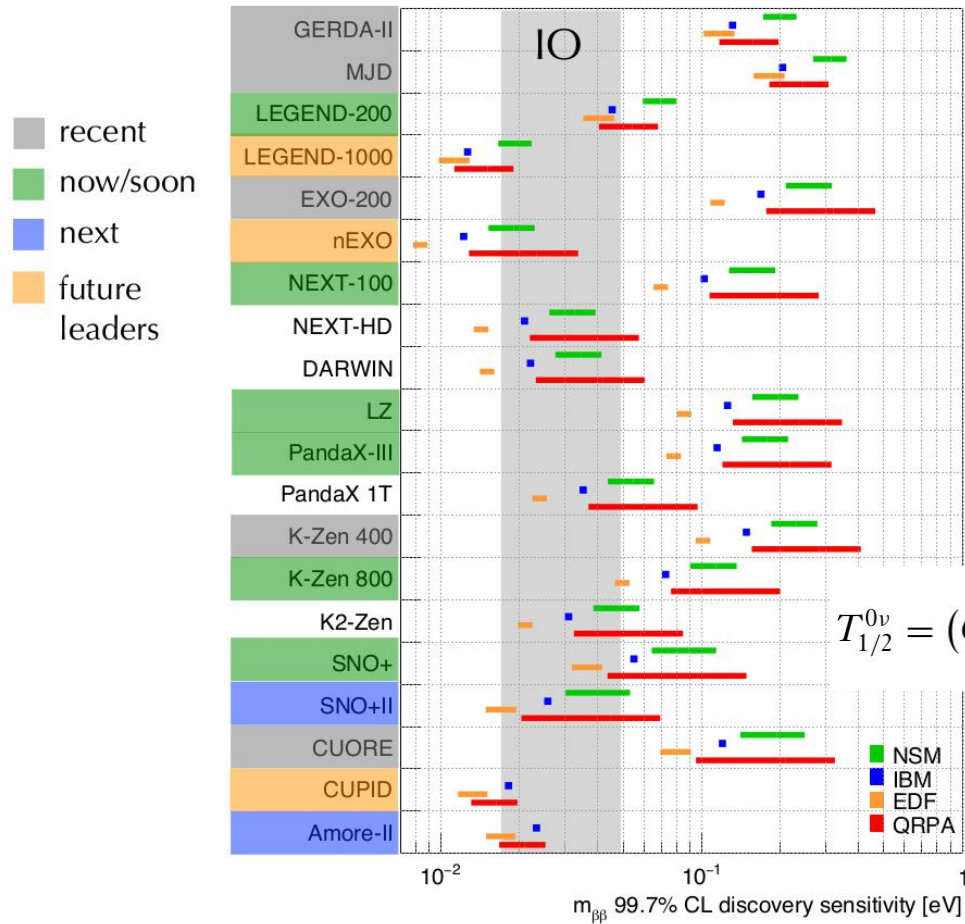
KamLAND-Zen (¹³⁶Xe)

PRL 117 (2016) 082503

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \gtrsim 10^{28} \text{ yr}$$

ton-scale experiments

0νββ-decay: experiment



$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = (G |\mathcal{M}|^2 \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle^2)^{-1} \simeq 10^{27-28} \left(\frac{0.01 \text{ eV}}{\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle} \right)^2 \text{ years.}$$

taken from A. Pocar BLV circa 2020

0νbb-decay: interpretation

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effective Majorana mass

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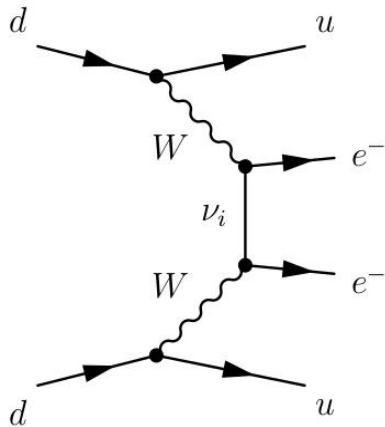
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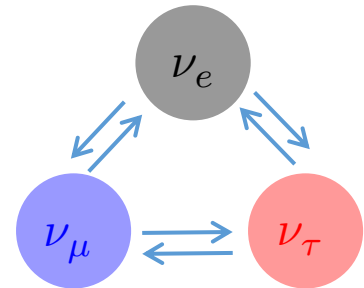
← nuclear matrix element (NME)
← effective Majorana mass
← phase space factor

Standard mechanism

$$m_{\beta\beta} = \left| \sum_i m_i U_{ei}^2 \right|$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = U_{PMNS} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

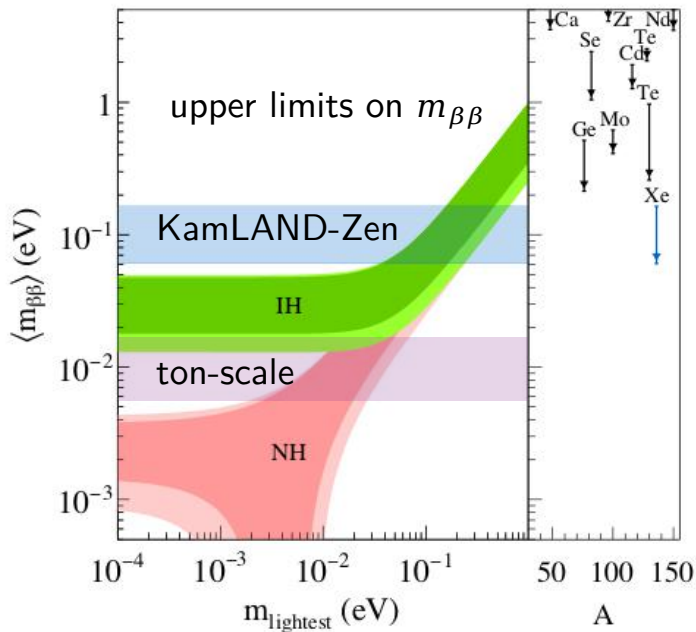


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phase space factor
effective Majorana mass
nuclear matrix element (NME)



blue and purple bands: uncertainties in NMEs

Engel, Menendez, Rept. Prog. Phys. 80 (2017) 046301

NH is favored over IH at at 2.7σ by neutrino oscillation expts.

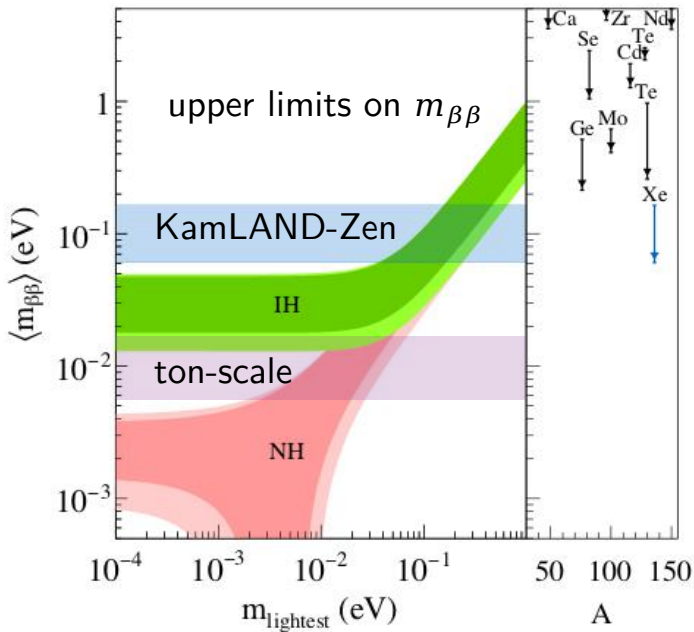
F. Capozzi et al, Phys.Rev.D 95 (2017) 096014, Phys.Rev.D 101 (2020) 116013
P.F. de Salas et al, 2006.11237 (JHEP)

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← nuclear matrix element (NME)
← phase space factor ← effective Majorana mass



We may live in the “nightmare” region

$$10^{-3} \text{ eV} \lesssim m_{\text{lightest}} \lesssim 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$



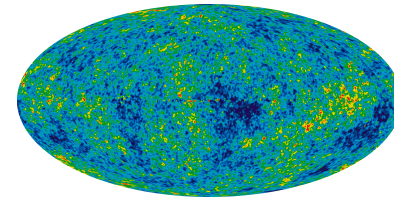
cosmological surveys

Ovbb-decay meets cosmology

Cosmological experiments:

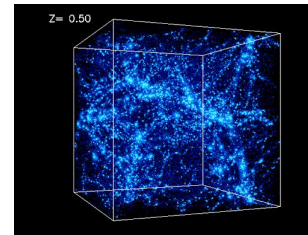
- Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB)

Planck, CMB-S4, CORE-M5, LiteBIRD

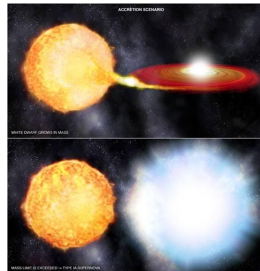


- Large Scale Structure (LSS) surveys

BOSS, DESI, Euclid



- Type Ia supernova



Massive neutrinos affect the expansion rate of the Universe (CMB) and clustering of matter (LSS)

0νββ-decay meets cosmology

Cosmology bounds the sum of neutrino masses directly

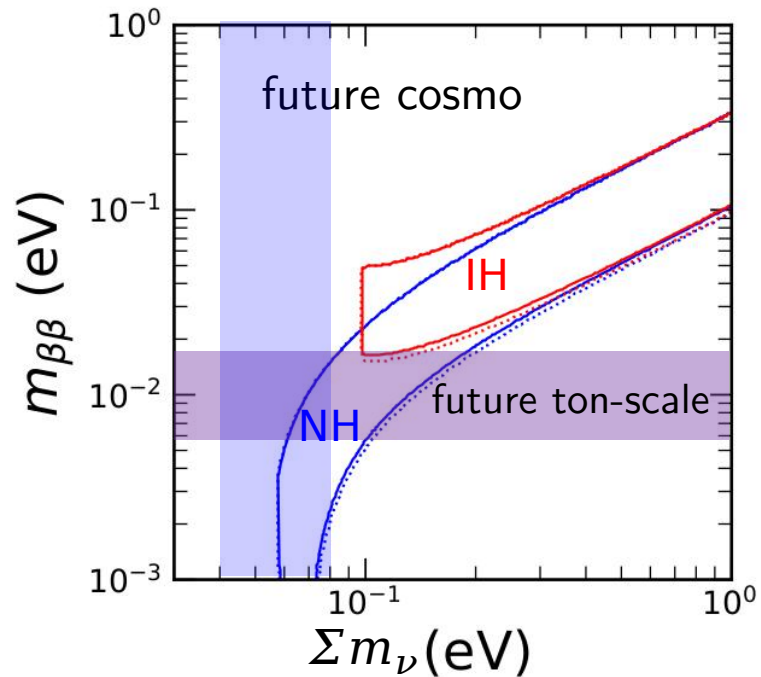
$$\sum m_\nu = m_1 + m_2 + m_3$$

$$\sigma(\sum m_\nu \lesssim 0.02 \text{ eV})$$

Lesgourgues et al, 1808.05955

Future ton-scale 0νββ-decay experiments may be in vain!

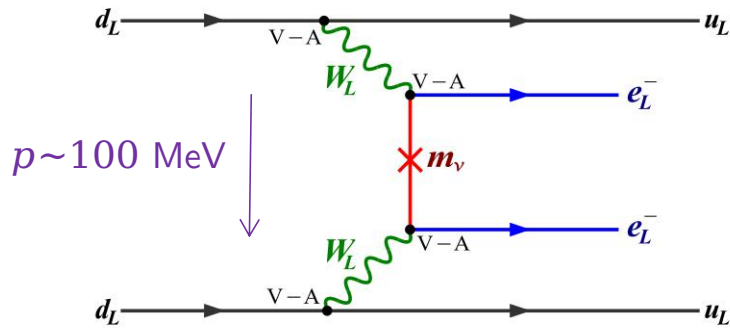
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SM+3 light massive neutrinos are NOT the end of the world

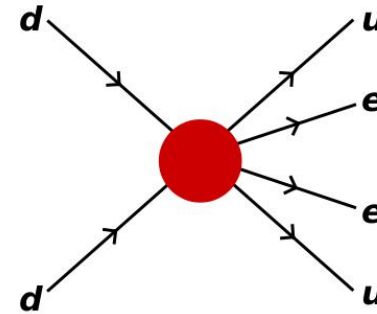
New mechanisms of $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

Standard mechanism:



$$\sim G_F^2 m_\nu / p^2$$

New mechanisms:



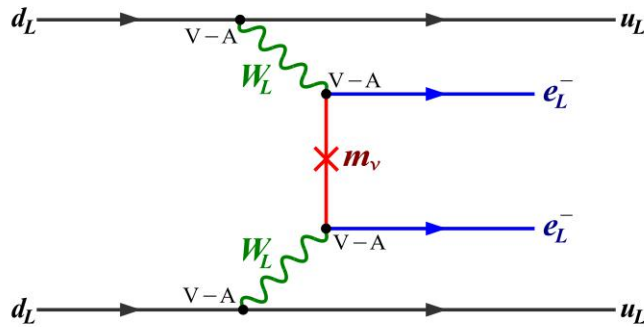
$$\sim c / \Lambda^5 \quad c: \text{new coupling}$$

$$\frac{c / \Lambda^5}{G_F^2 m_\nu^{ee} / p^2} = c \left(\frac{3.7 \text{ TeV}}{\Lambda} \right)^5 \frac{0.1 \text{ eV}}{m_\nu^{ee}}$$

TeV scale new physics contribution could be comparable if $c \sim O(1)$

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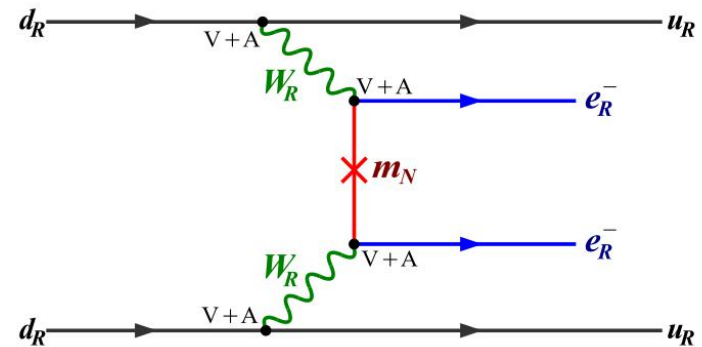


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M. Doi, et al, Prog.Theor.Phys. 66 (1981) 1739; Prog.Theor.Phys. 69 (1983) 602; Prog.Theor.Phys.Suppl. 83 (1985) 1

Mohapatra and Senjanovic, Phys.Rev.Lett. 44 (1980) 912, Phys.Rev.D 23 (1981) 165
Riazuddin, Marshak, Mohapatra Phys. Rev. D 24, 1310 (1981)

Right-handed counterpart:

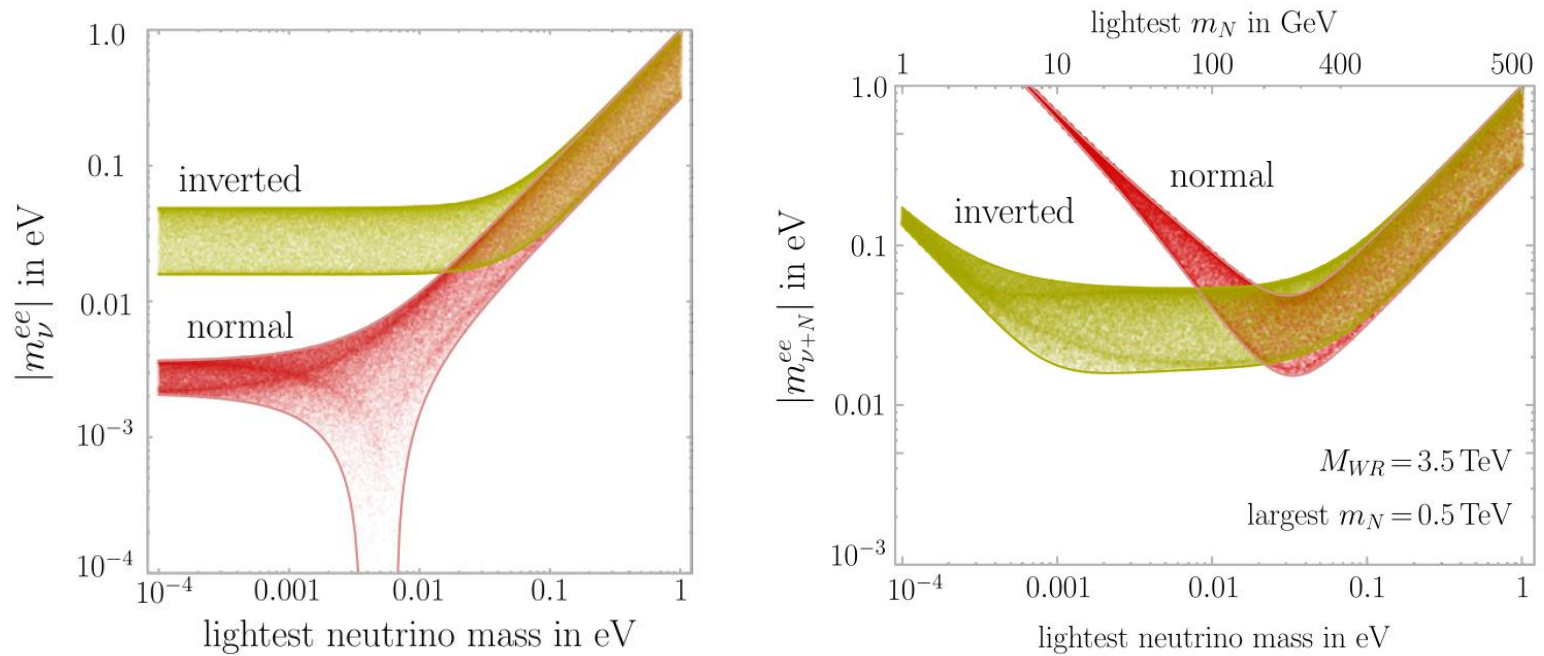


$$\sim G_F^2 M_W^2 / M_{W_R}^2 1/m_N$$

$$g_R = g_L = g \quad M_{W_R}, m_N \sim \text{O}(\text{TeV})$$

the most natural way to incorporate RH current is the minimal left-right symmetric model

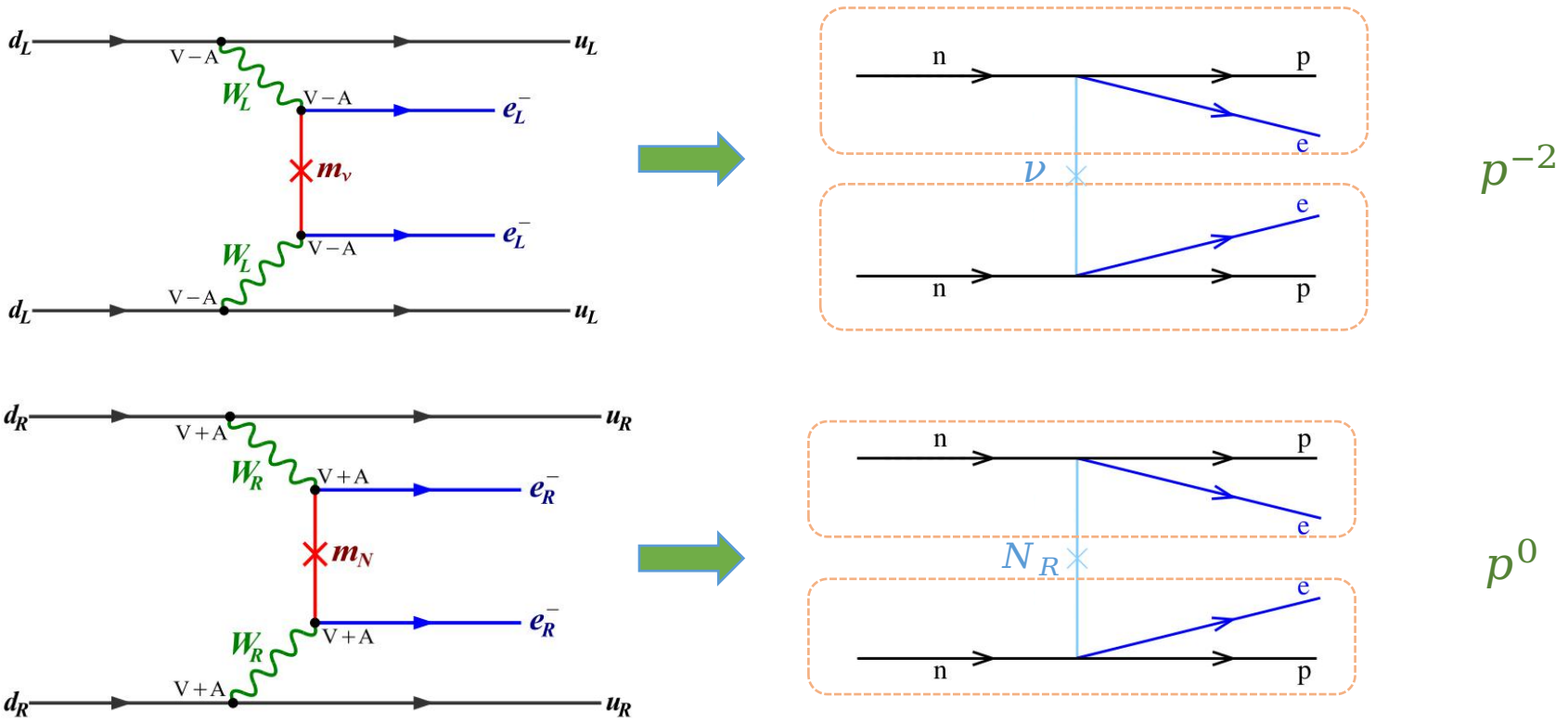
$W_R - W_R$ contribution



Tello et al, Phys.Rev.Lett. 106
(2011) 151801
Bhupal Dev, Goswami, Mitra
Phys.Rev.D 91 (2015) 113004

“old” calculation of $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

Map quark bilinear to nucleon current

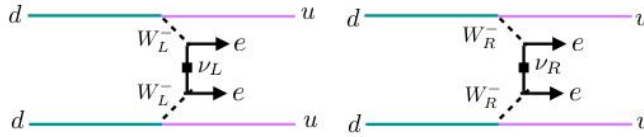


inconsistent since $m_{N_R} \gg m_p, m_n$

0νbb-decay: multi-scale TeV → MeV

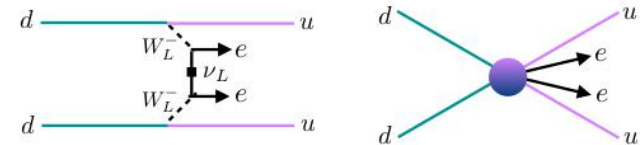
$\Lambda > \text{TeV}$

START WITH A GIVEN HIGH-SCALE MODEL, e.g., LEFT-RIGHT SYMMETRIC MODEL:



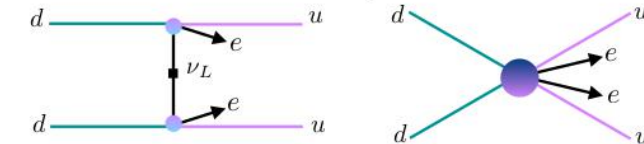
$\Lambda \sim 10^2 \text{ GeV}$

RUN IT DOWN TO THE SCALE WHERE THE HIGH-SCALE PHYSICS CAN BE INTEGRATED OUT:



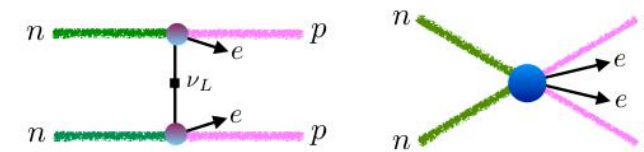
$\Lambda \sim 2 \text{ GeV}$

RUN IT DOWN TO THE SCALE WHERE QCD IS STILL PERTURBATIVE:



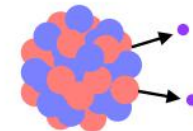
$\Lambda < \text{GeV}$

RUN IT DOWN TO HADRONIC SCALE:



$\Lambda < \text{MeV}$

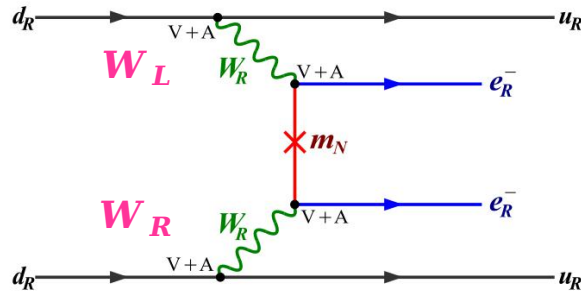
USE AB INITIO NUCLEAR MANY-BODY CALCULATIONS TO MATCH TO NUCLEAR MATRIX ELEMENTS:



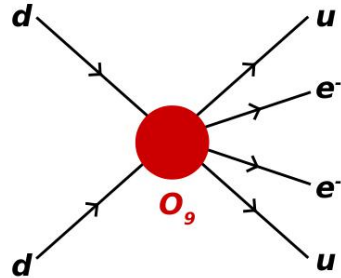
- (1) SMEFT
- (2) LEFT
- (3) chiral perturbation theory
- (4) many-body methods

New leading contribution: $W_L - W_R$

New calculation using EFT

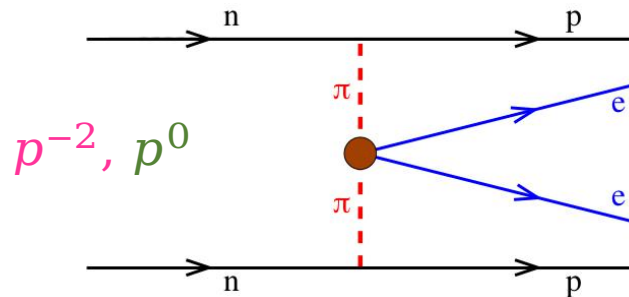


Mohapatra and Senjanovic,
 Phys.Rev.Lett. 44 (1980) 912,
 Phys.Rev.D 23 (1981) 165



Prezeau, Ramsey-Musolf, Vogel, Phys.Rev.D
 68 (2003) 034016
 Cirigliano, Dekens, de Vries, Graesser,
 Mereghetti, JHEP 12 (2018) 097

long-range $\pi\pi ee$ interaction



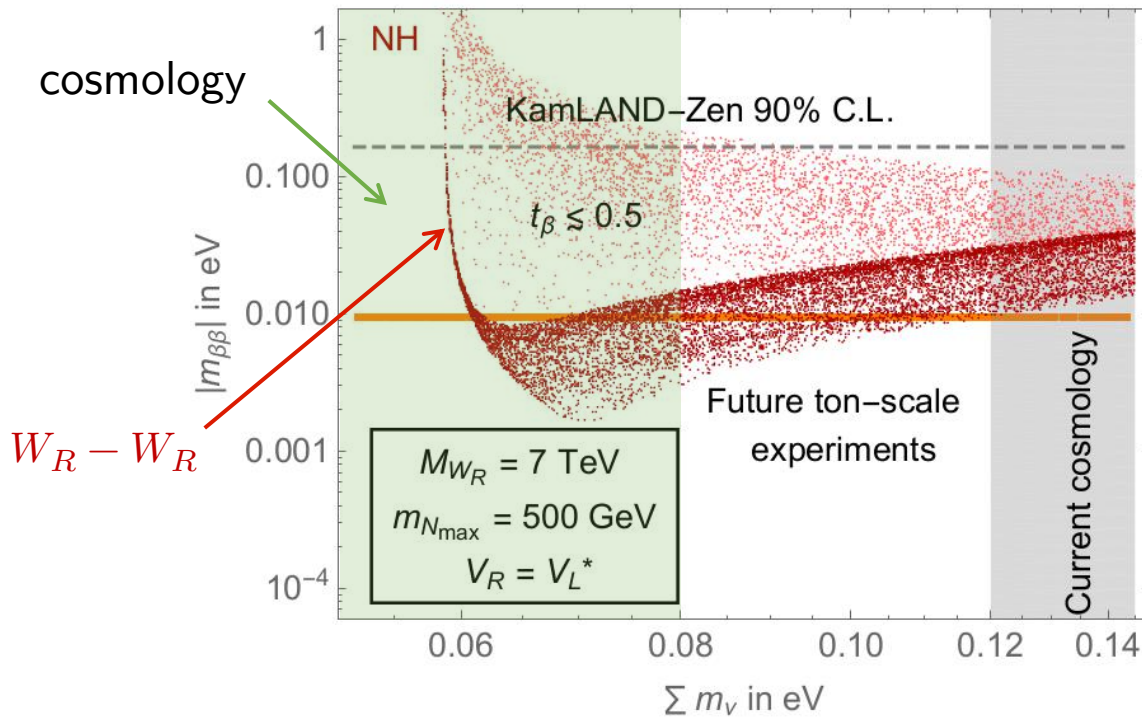
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 Vasquez, arXiv: 2009.01257 (PRL)

$$(\Lambda_\chi/p)^2 \sim 20$$

A. Nicholson et al, 1805.02634 (PRL)

Left-right mixing may be the key

Shaking off nightmare region with left-right mixing even confronting with future **cosmological surveys** and **neutrino oscillation experiments**



$$\tan \xi = \frac{v_1 v_2}{v_R^2} = \lambda \sin(2\beta)$$

$$\lambda \equiv \frac{M_W^2}{M_{W_R}^2}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}$$

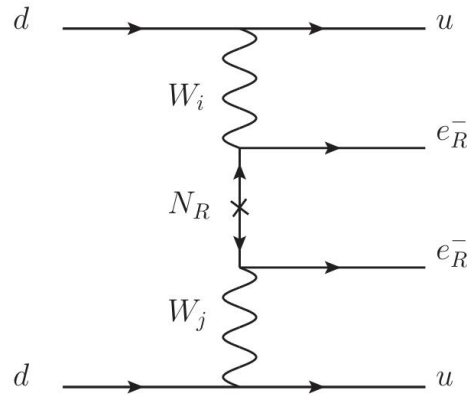
Constraints from collider, flavor, CKM unitarity, perturbativity are considered

GL, M. Ramsey-Musolf and J. C. Vasquez, arXiv: 2009.01257 (PRL)

Thank you!

Minimal LRSM

$$\mathcal{L}_{CC} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{u}_{Li}V_{Lij}^{\text{CKM}}W_L d_{Lj} - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{u}_{Ri}V_{Rij}^{\text{CKM}}W_R d_{Rj} \\ - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{e}_{Li}V_{Lij}^{\text{PMNS}}W_L \nu_{Lj} - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{e}_{Ri}V_{Rij}^{\text{PMNS}}W_R N_{Rj} \\ + \text{h.c.},$$



left-right mixing:

$$W_L = \cos \xi W_{1\mu}^+ - \sin \xi e^{-i\alpha} W_{2\mu}^+, \\ W_R = \sin \xi e^{i\alpha} W_{1\mu}^+ + \cos \xi W_{2\mu}^+.$$

No $W_L - W_R$ mixing $(i,j)=(R,R)$

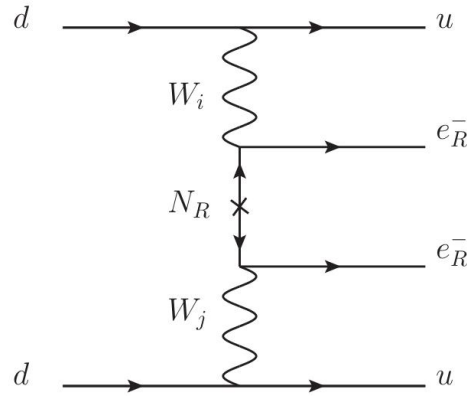
$$u_R d_R u_R d_R e_R e_R \sim O_{3\pm}^{++}$$

$W_L - W_R$ mixing $(i,j)=(1,2)$

$$u_L d_L u_R d_R e_R e_R \sim O_{1+}^{++}$$

Minimal LRSM

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{CC} = & -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}_{Li} V_{Lij}^{\text{CKM}} W_L d_{Lj} - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}_{Ri} V_{Rij}^{\text{CKM}} W_R d_{Rj} \\ & - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{e}_{Li} V_{Lij}^{\text{PMNS}} W_L \nu_{Lj} - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{e}_{Ri} V_{Rij}^{\text{PMNS}} W_R N_{Rj} \\ & + \text{h.c.} , \end{aligned}$$



left-right mixing:

$$\begin{aligned} W_L &= \cos \xi W_{1\mu}^+ - \sin \xi e^{-i\alpha} W_{2\mu}^+ , \\ W_R &= \sin \xi e^{i\alpha} W_{1\mu}^+ + \cos \xi W_{2\mu}^+ . \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F^2}{\Lambda_{\beta\beta}} [C_{3R}(\mathcal{O}_{3+}^{++} - \mathcal{O}_{3-}^{++})(\bar{e}e^c - \bar{e}\gamma_5 e^c) + C_1 \mathcal{O}_{1+}^{++}(\bar{e}e^c - \bar{e}\gamma_5 e^c)]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{3+}^{++} - \mathcal{O}_{3-}^{++} = 2(\bar{q}_R^\alpha \tau^+ \gamma^\mu q_R^\alpha)(\bar{q}_R^\beta \tau^+ \gamma_\mu q_R^\beta) \quad C_{3R} = \lambda^2 \quad \lambda \equiv \frac{M_W^2}{M_{W_R}^2}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{1+}^{++} = (\bar{q}_L^\alpha \tau^+ \gamma^\mu q_L^\alpha)(\bar{q}_R^\beta \tau^+ \gamma_\mu q_R^\beta) \quad C_1 = -4\lambda\xi$$

Constraints on minimal LRSM

ξ and λ are related:

$$\tan \xi = \frac{v_1 v_2}{v_R^2} = \lambda \sin(2\beta)$$

$$\lambda \equiv \frac{M_W^2}{M_{W_R}^2} \quad \tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}$$

- ξ alone is constrained with the CKM unitarity, using mostly precise $|V_{ud}|$, $\xi \leq 1.25 \times 10^{-3}$

C.-Y. Seng, et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 241804 (2018)

- The most severe flavor constraints comes from kaon and B meson mass mixing, excluding $M_{W_R} < 2.9$ TeV

Bertolini, Maiezza, Nesti Phys.Rev.D 89 (2014) 095028

- Direct searches for W_R exclude $M_{W_R} < 4.8$ TeV, which implies $\lambda \leq 2.8 \times 10^{-4}$ (set stronger bound on ξ)

CMS JHEP 05 (2018) 148

the upper bound on ξ depends on the value of β

Constraints on minimal LRSM

- Remarkably, there is no experimental bound on β in the mLRSM

Senjanovic and Tello *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 114, 071801 (2015); *Phys. Rev. D* 94, 095023 (2016)

- The theoretical bound is obtained requiring perturbativity of Yukawa coupling of heavy Higgs boson

$$\frac{m_t}{v \cos(2\beta)} \lesssim 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \tan \beta \lesssim 0.5$$

the only constraint on β

Finally,

$$\lambda \leq 2.8 \times 10^{-4} \quad \xi \lesssim 0.8\lambda \lesssim 2.2 \times 10^{-4}$$

the left-right mixing ξ is not negligibly small

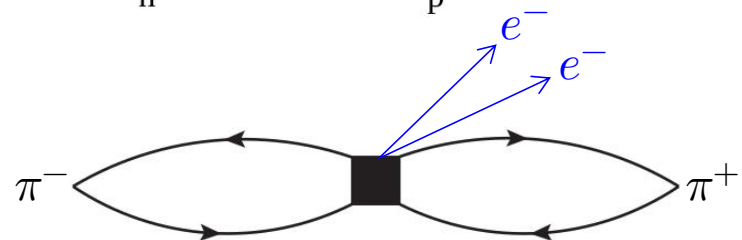
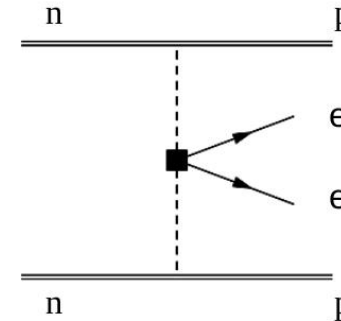
EFT approach to $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

LECs: non-perturbative QCD effects

$$\mathcal{O}_{1+}^{++} = (\bar{q}_L^\alpha \tau^+ \gamma^\mu q_L^\alpha) (\bar{q}_R^\beta \tau^+ \gamma_\mu q_R^\beta)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{1+}^{++'} = (\bar{q}_L^\alpha \tau^+ \gamma^\mu q_L^\beta) (\bar{q}_R^\beta \tau^+ \gamma_\mu q_R^\alpha)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{3\pm}^{++} = (\bar{q}_L^\alpha \tau^+ \gamma^\mu q_L^\alpha) (\bar{q}_L^\beta \tau^+ \gamma_\mu q_L^\beta) \pm (\bar{q}_R^\alpha \tau^+ \gamma^\mu q_R^\alpha) (\bar{q}_R^\beta \tau^+ \gamma_\mu q_R^\beta)$$



LECs $\ell_1^{\pi\pi}$, $\ell_1^{\pi\pi'}$, $\ell_3^{\pi\pi}$ are obtained by computing the matrix elements of $\pi^- \rightarrow \pi^+$ induced by \mathcal{O}_{1+}^{++} , $\mathcal{O}_{1+}^{++'}$, \mathcal{O}_{3+}^{++}

$$\ell_1^{\pi\pi} = -(0.71 \pm 0.07)$$

$$\ell_1^{\pi\pi'} = -(2.98 \pm 0.22)$$

$$\ell_3^{\pi\pi} = 0.60 \pm 0.03$$

Nicholson et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 172501 (2018)