

$0\nu\beta\beta$ decay:

Beyond the mass mechanism

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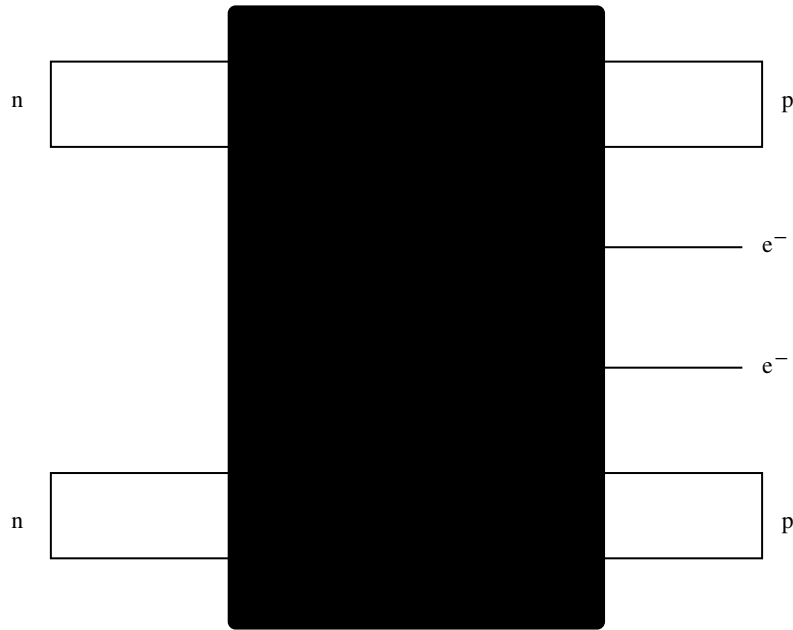


I.

Introduction

Black box!

Experimentalist observes:



Neutrinoless double
beta decay is:

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

(no missing energy)

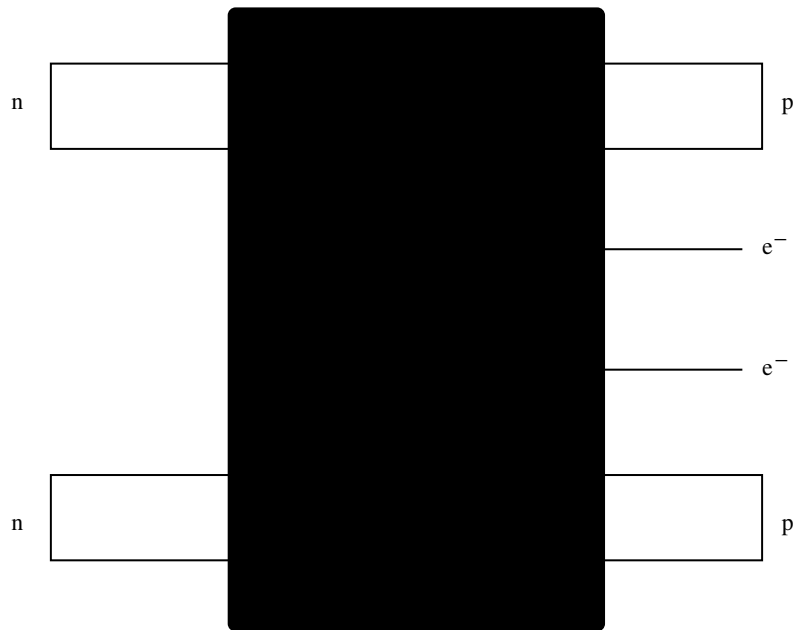
Lepton number is violated:

$$\Delta L = 2 !$$

What is the scale Λ_{LNV} ?

Black box!

Experimentalist observes:



Express half-life as:

$$\left[T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} \right]^{-1} = G_{0\nu} |\epsilon_i|^2 |M_i^{0\nu\beta\beta}|^2$$

$G_{0\nu}$ - phase space

$M_i^{0\nu\beta\beta}$ - nuclear matrix element

ϵ_i - particle physics

Many, many
possible
contributions:

RPV SUSY

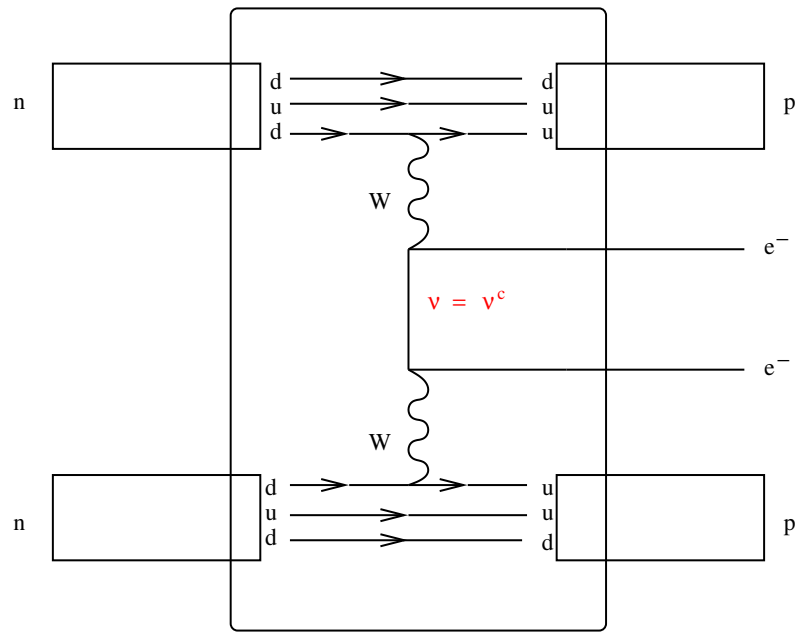
Leptoquarks

Left-right symmetry

... etc ... etc ...

Mass mechanism

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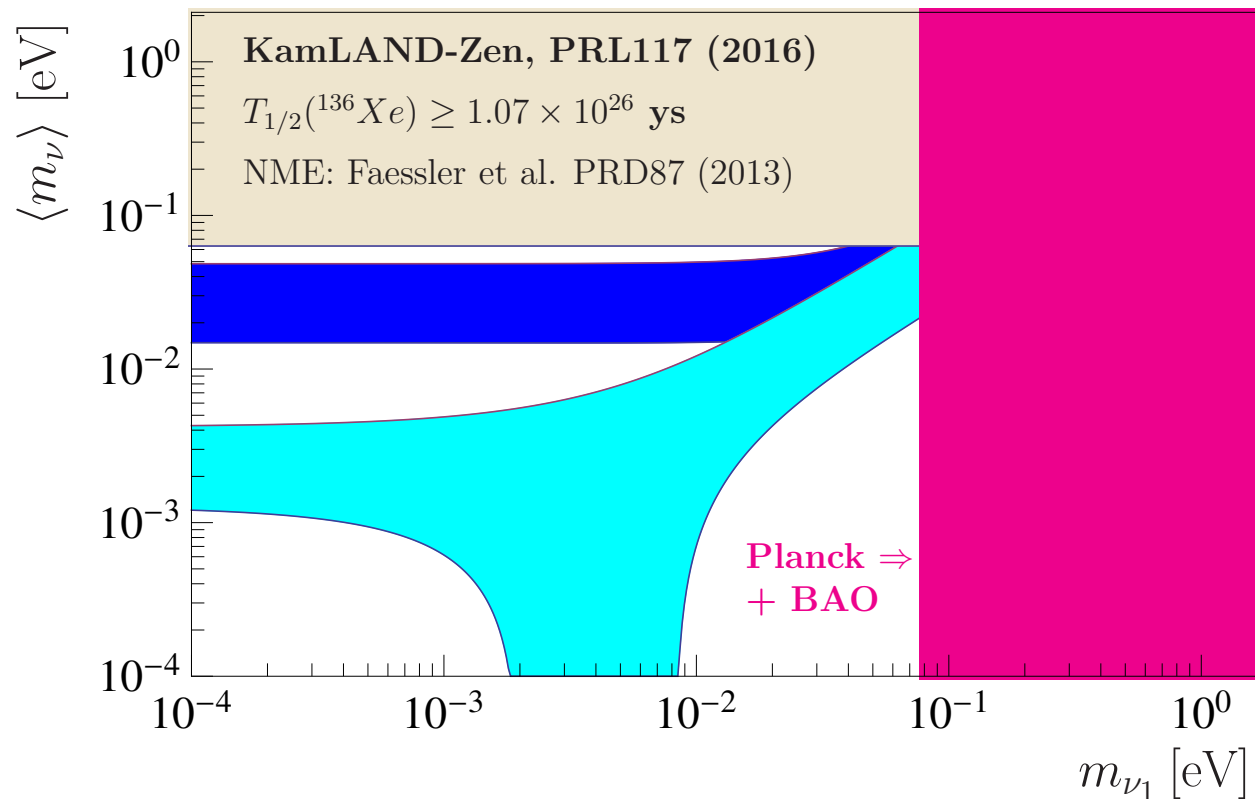
Neutrino
propagator:

$$\int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{m_\nu + \not{p}}{p^2 - m_\nu^2}$$

“Mass mechanism” because weak interaction is left-handed:

$$P_L(m_\nu + \not{p})P_L = m_\nu P_L$$

$\langle m_\nu \rangle$ versus m_{ν_1} - status 2017



Global fit to
oscillation data:

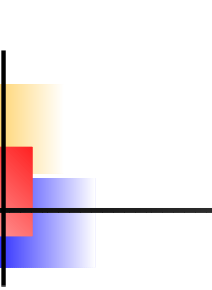
Forero, Tortola
& Valle;
PRD90 (2014) 093006

all ranges at 1σ c.l.

$\Rightarrow$ Planck - limits from cosmological data

$\Rightarrow$ Uncertainty in $\langle m_\nu \rangle \lesssim (60/140) \text{ meV}$

(largest/smallest) NME in Faessler et al. PRD87 (2013)



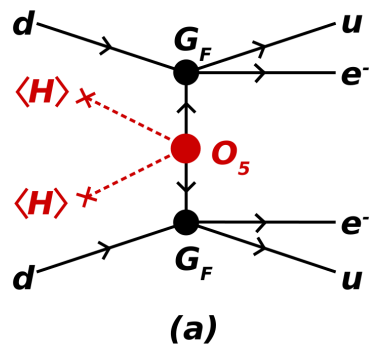
II.

EFT & QCD running

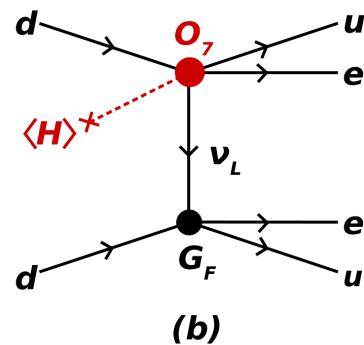
$0\nu\beta\beta$ decay: Decomposition

Päs et al, PLB453 (1999)

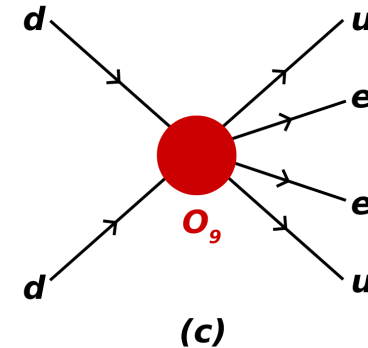
Amplitude for $(Z, A) \rightarrow (Z \pm 2, A) + e^{\mp}e^{\mp}$ can be divided into: & PLB498 (2001)



Mass mechanism

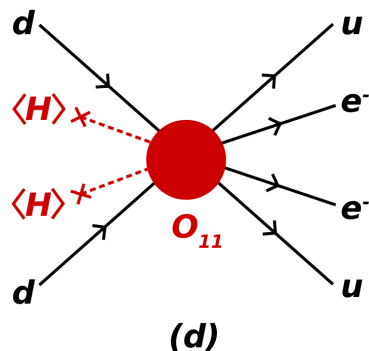


"long-range"



"short-range"

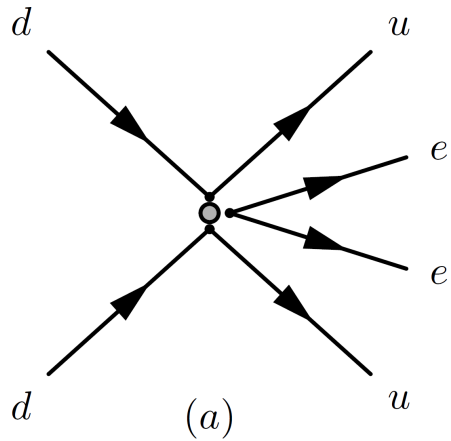
Higher order:



+ . . .

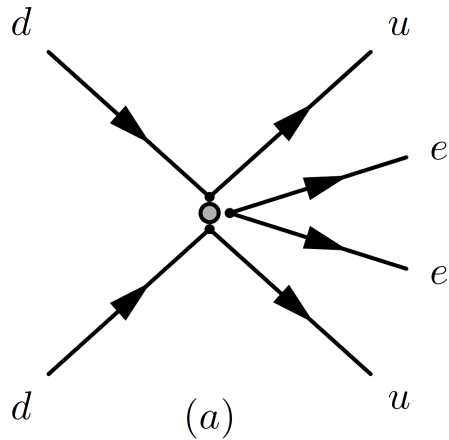
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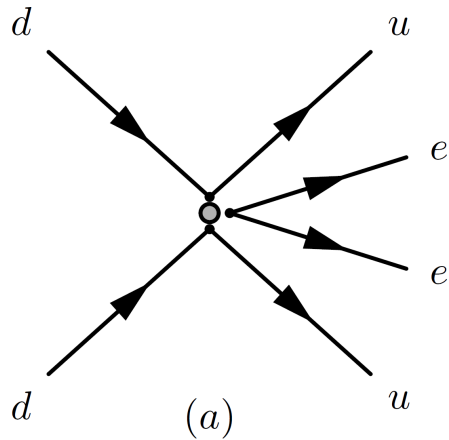


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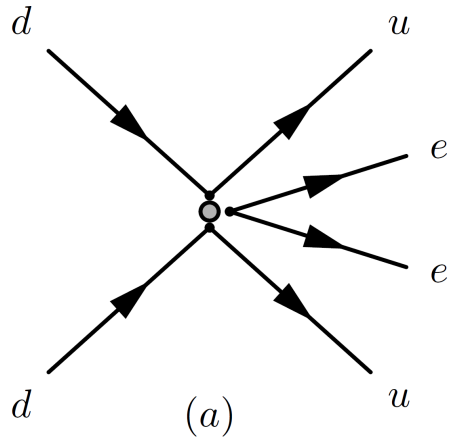
$\Rightarrow$ Double beta decay is a low-energy process. Energy scale:

$$p_F \simeq 100 \text{ MeV}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Need to run operator from $\Lambda \simeq \text{TeV}$ to $\mu \simeq 10^{-4} \text{ TeV}$

QCD corrections

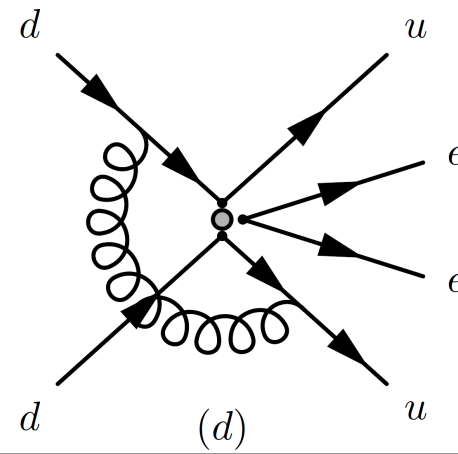
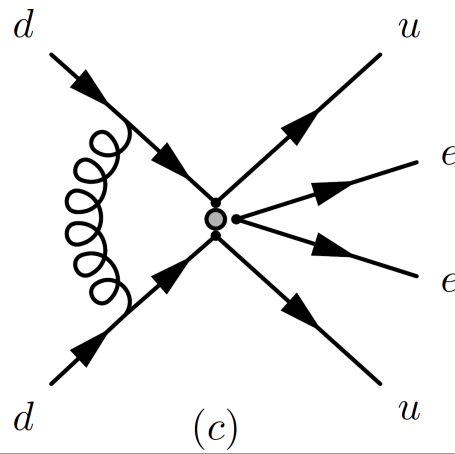
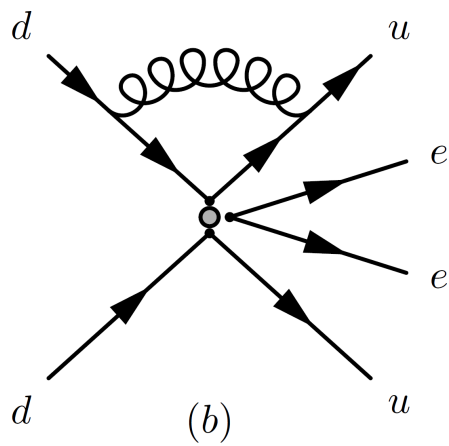
At tree-level:



Add gluon exchange diagrams

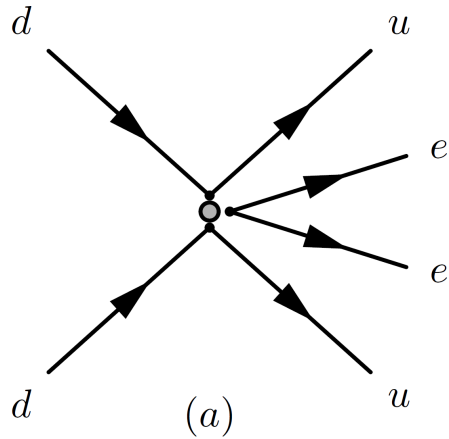
Naive estimate is:

$$\alpha_S/(4\pi) \times \ln(\Lambda/\mu) \simeq (20-30) \%$$



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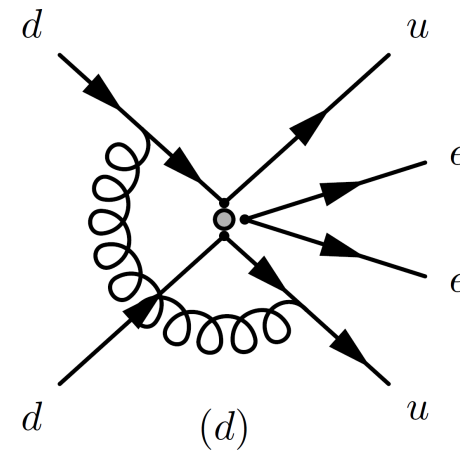
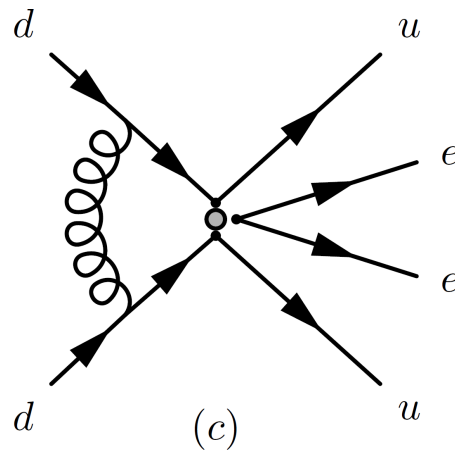
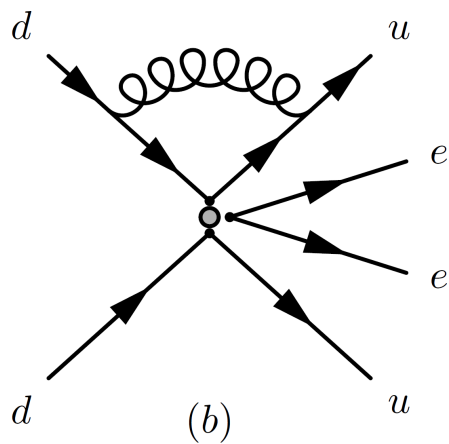
At tree-level:



BUT ...

Colour index connects
different nucleon currents:

“Operator mixing”



QCD corrected limits

González, Hirsch
Kovalenko, PRD93 (2016)

A X	$ C_1^{XX}(M_W) $	$ C_1^{XX}(\Lambda_{LNV}) $	$ C_1^{XX(0)} $	$ C_1^{LR,RL}(M_W) $	$ C_1^{LR,RL}(\Lambda_{LNV}) $	$ C_1^{LR,RL(0)} $
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$$C_1 \propto (S \pm P)$$

$$C_3 \propto (V \pm A)$$

Some coefficients
change by
huge factors
due to
operator mixing!

Two simple examples

(a) Pure (scalar+pseudo-scalar) exchange, C_1^{LL} :

Including running:

$$\Lambda \gtrsim (g_{eff}/g_L)^{4/5} 4.0 \text{ TeV}$$

Without running:

$$\Lambda \gtrsim (g_{eff}/g_L)^{4/5} 1.1 \text{ TeV}$$

(b) Right-handed vector boson exchange, C_3^{RR} :

Including running:

$$\Lambda \gtrsim (g_{eff}/g_L)^{4/5} 1.9 \text{ TeV}$$

Without running:

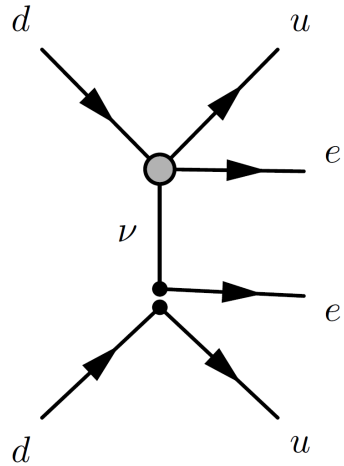
$$\Lambda \gtrsim (g_{eff}/g_L)^{4/5} 2.1 \text{ TeV}$$

Conversion coefficient to scale using:

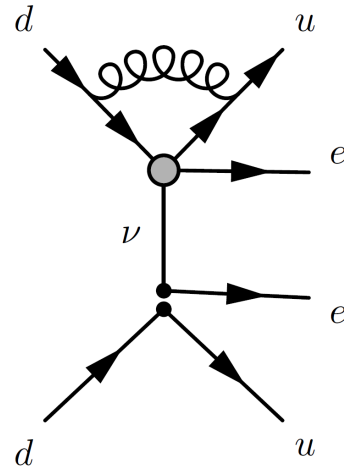
$$\Lambda = \left(\frac{1}{8} \frac{2m_P}{C_i G_F^2} \right)^{1/5} g_{eff}^{4/5}$$

QCD corrections: LR

At tree-level:

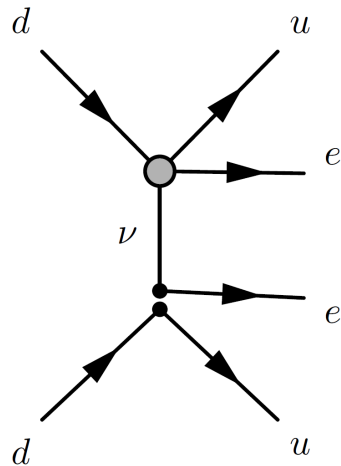


QCD corrected:

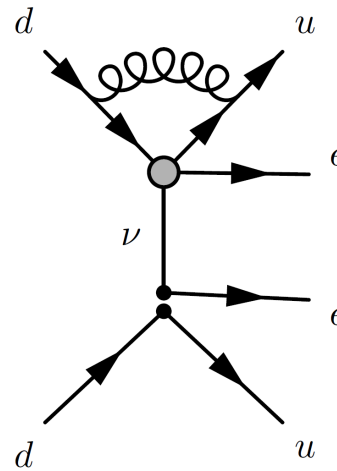


QCD corrections: LR

At tree-level:



QCD corrected:



Arbeláez, González
Hirsch, Kovalenko
PRD94 (2016)

Due to “long-range”
of interaction
no gluon exchange
between quarks from
different nucleons
NO operator mixing

Corrections order of:
 $\alpha_S/(4\pi) \times \ln(\Lambda/\mu)$
 $\simeq (20-30) \%$

	Without QCD		With QCD	
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C_1^L	5.3×10^{-9}	3.7×10^{-9}	3.3×10^{-9}	2.3×10^{-9}
C_1^R	5.3×10^{-9}	3.7×10^{-9}	3.3×10^{-9}	2.3×10^{-9}
C_2^L	3.1×10^{-10}	2.2×10^{-10}	5.0×10^{-10}	3.5×10^{-10}
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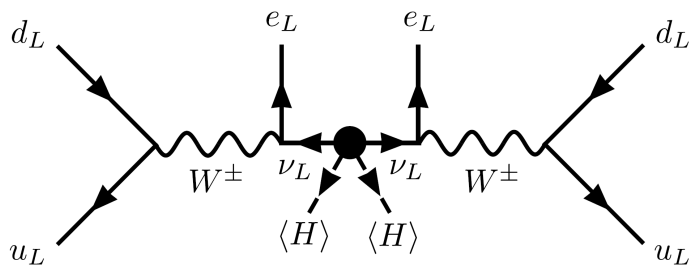
III.

Vector contributions to $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

R. Fonseca & M. Hirsch, PRD95 (2017)

Mass mechanism again

In $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ invariant language:

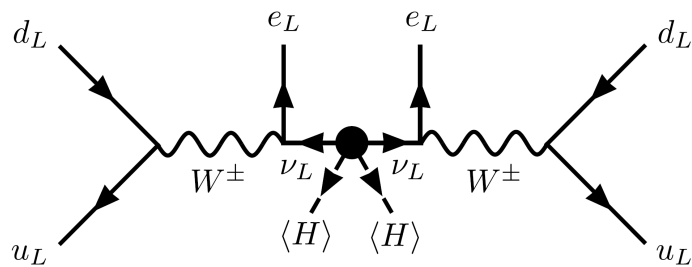


$$\mathcal{O}^{MM} \propto (\overline{Q}Q)(\overline{L})(H^*H^*)(\overline{L})(\overline{Q}Q)$$

$\Rightarrow$ The MM is a $d = 11$ operator!

$\Delta L = 2$ operators

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List of $\Delta L = 2$ operators:

Babu & Leung, 2001

$$\mathcal{O}^{d=9} = \overline{QQLLd^cd^c}, \overline{QQu^cu^cLL}, \dots$$

6 operators

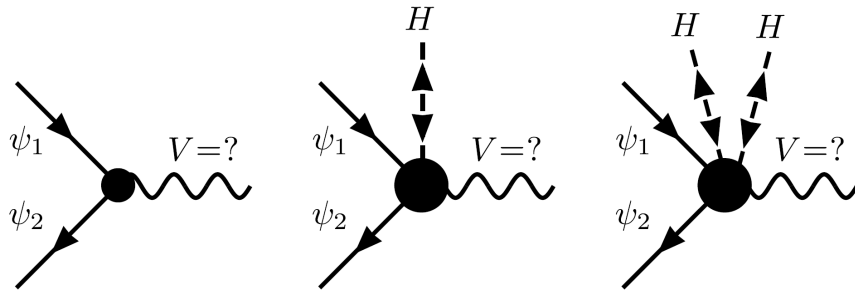
$$\mathcal{O}^{d=11} = \overline{u^cu^cd^cd^ce^ce^cHH^*}, \overline{u^cu^cd^cd^cLLHH}, \dots$$

13 operators

Constructing vectors

Finding all possible **gauge vector** contributions, involves three steps:

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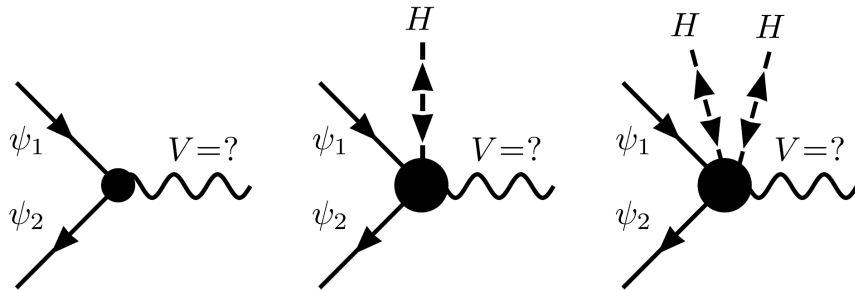


Find all V^μ from attaching
 $\psi_{1,2} = \bar{L}, e^c, \bar{Q}, Q, u^c, \bar{d}^c, H$

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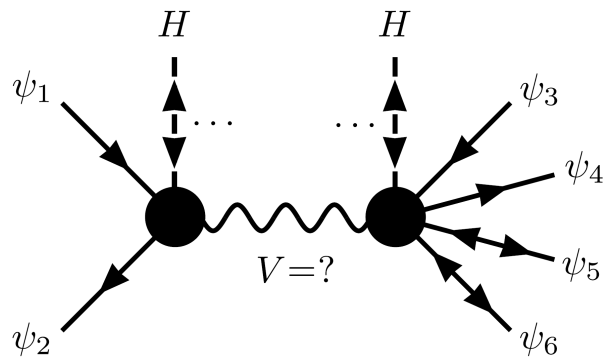
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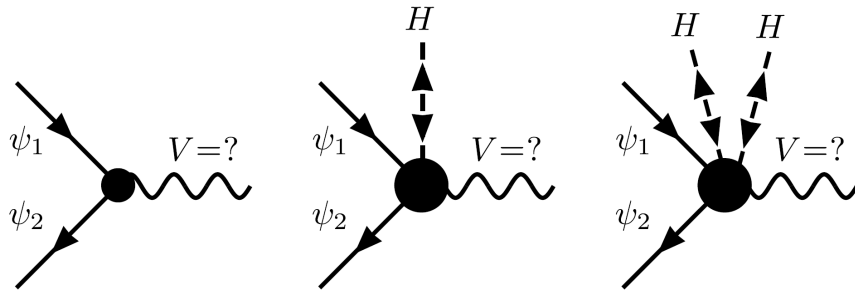


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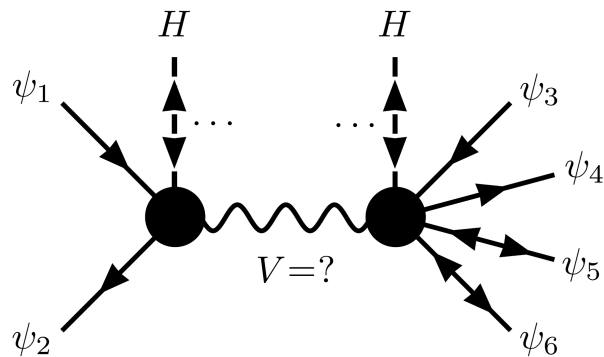
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Step 3:

Find all gauge groups, where V^μ is in the adjoint

Vectors and gauge groups

Vector representation(s)	Minimal group(s) (without $U(1)$'s)
$(1, 1, \boxed{y=1}, 2)$	$\boxed{SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)}$
$\boxed{(1, 2, y = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2})}$	$\boxed{SU(3)_C \times SU(3)}$, $SU(3)_C \times Sp(4)$
$\boxed{(1, 3, 0)}$	$\boxed{SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L}$
$(1, 3, y = 1, 2)$	$SU(3)_C \times Sp(4)$
$(1, 4, y = \frac{1}{2})$	$SU(3)_C \times SU(5)$, $SU(3)_C \times Sp(6)$, $SU(3)_C \times G_2$
$(1, 5, 1)$	$SU(3)_C \times SO(7)$, $SU(3)_C \times Sp(6)$
$(3, 1, y = -\frac{4}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, \boxed{\frac{2}{3}})$	$\boxed{SU(4) \times SU(2)_L}$
$(3, 2, y = -\frac{11}{6}, -\frac{5}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{7}{6})$	$SU(5)$, $Sp(8)$, F_4
$(3, 3, y = -\frac{4}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$	$SU(6)$, $SO(9)$
$(3, 4, y = -\frac{11}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{7}{6})$	$SU(7)$, $Sp(10)$, E_6
$(3, 5, y = -\frac{1}{3})$	$SU(8)$, $SO(11)$
$(6, 1, y = -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{4}{3})$	$Sp(6) \times SU(2)_L$
$(6, 2, y = -\frac{7}{6}, -\frac{1}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{11}{6})$	$SU(8)$, $Sp(14)$, F_4
$(6, 3, y = -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{4}{3})$	$SU(9)$, $SO(15)$, $Sp(12)$
$(6, 4, y = -\frac{7}{6}, -\frac{1}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{11}{6})$	$Sp(16)$ [*]
$(8, 1, y = 1, 2)$	$SU(6) \times SU(2)_L$, $SO(10) \times SU(2)_L$
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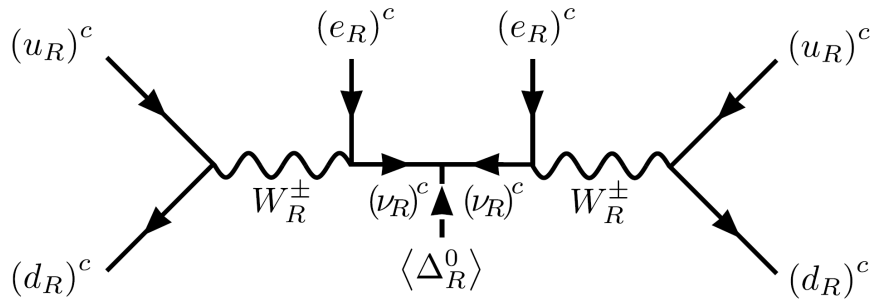
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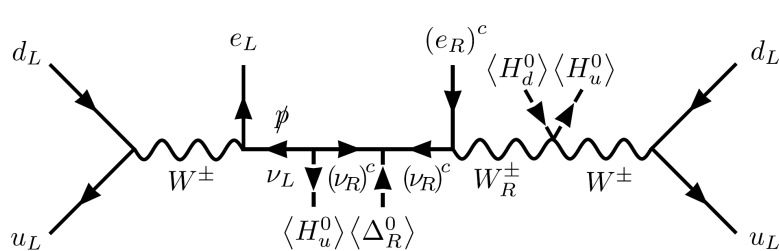
$(1, 1, y=1, 2)$	$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)$	$\Leftarrow$ Left-right symmetric model
$(1, 2, y=\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2})$	$SU(3)_C \times SU(3)$, $SU(3)_C \times Sp(4)$	$\Leftarrow$ "331-models" SVS*, PPF*
$(1, 3, 0)$	$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L$	$\Leftarrow$ standard model (MM)
$(1, 3, y=1, 2)$	$SU(3)_C \times Sp(4)$	
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SVS* = Singer, Schechter & Valle, 1980
PPF* = Pisano & Pleitez, 1992; Frampton, 1992

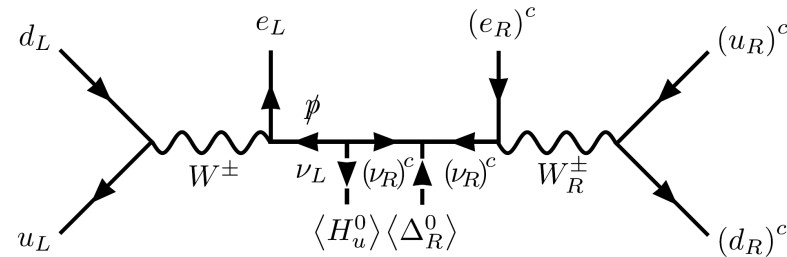
Left-right symmetric group



Short-range diagram:

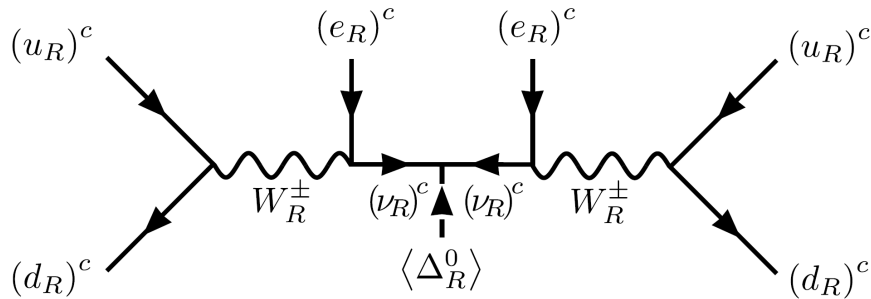


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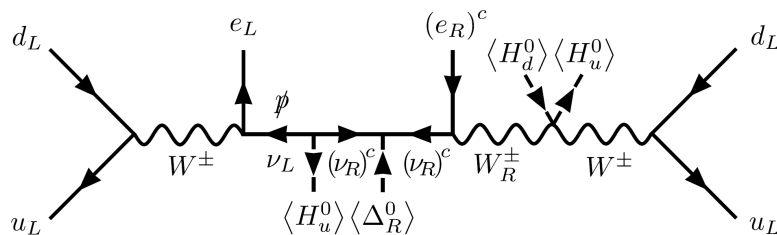


Long-range

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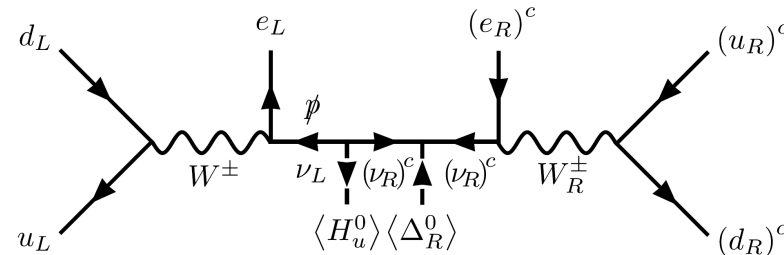


$$M_{W_R} \gtrsim 1.9 (g_R/g_L) \left(\frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{\langle m_N \rangle} \right)^{1/2} \text{ TeV}$$



$$\langle \eta \rangle = \sum U_{ej} V_{ej} \tan \zeta$$

$$\lesssim 1.1 \times 10^{-9}$$

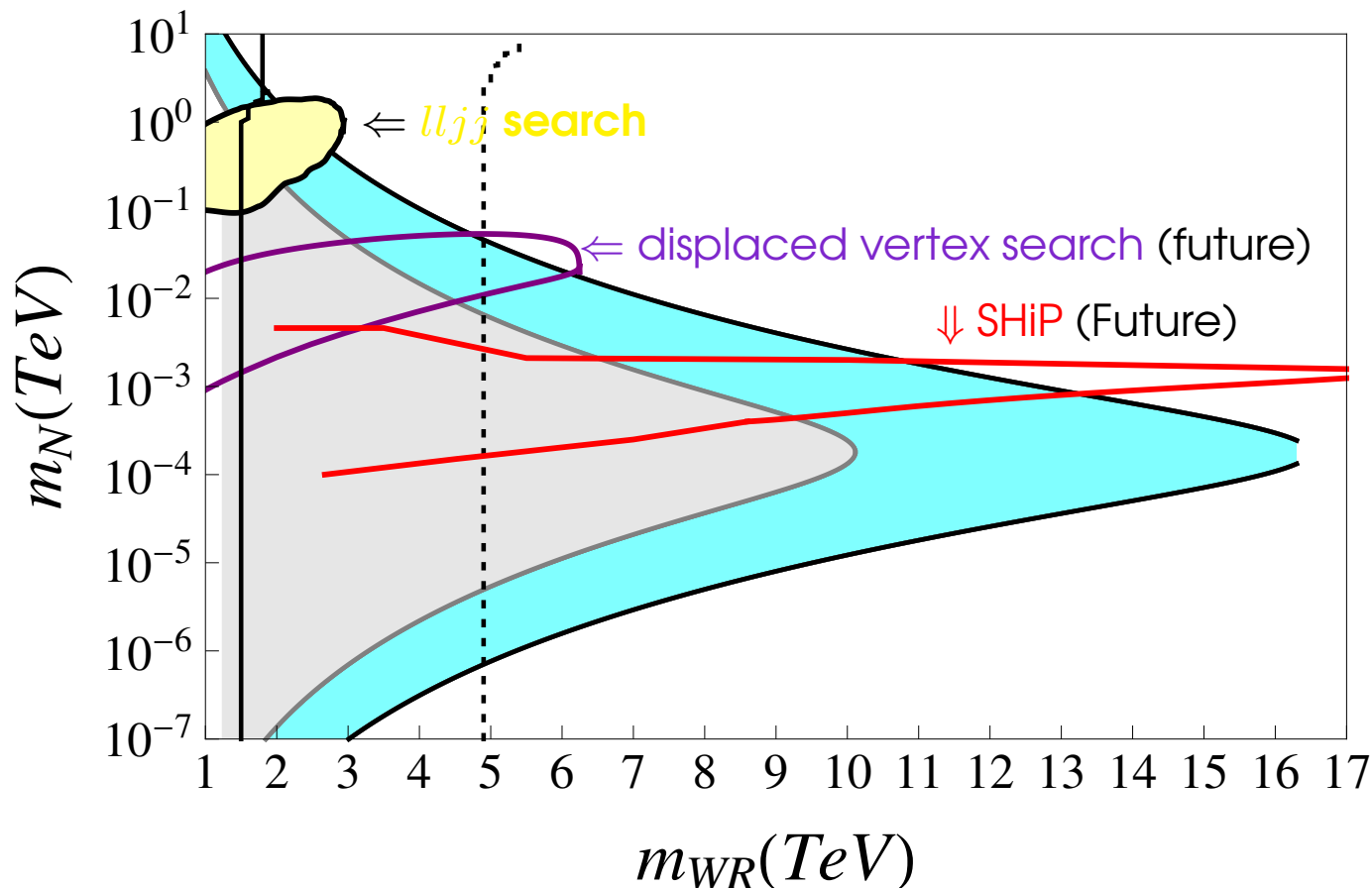


$$\langle \lambda \rangle = \sum U_{ej} V_{ej} \left(\frac{m_{W_L}}{m_{W_R}} \right)^2$$

$$\lesssim 2.1 \times 10^{-7}$$

LR: LHC & $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

Absence of $pp \rightarrow W_R \rightarrow jj$ gives limit on LR model space:



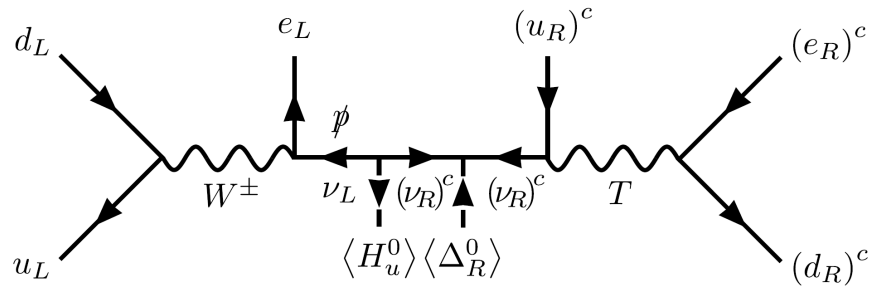
Helo & Hirsch
PRD92 (2015)

gray:
 $T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} \gtrsim 10^{25} \text{ ys}$

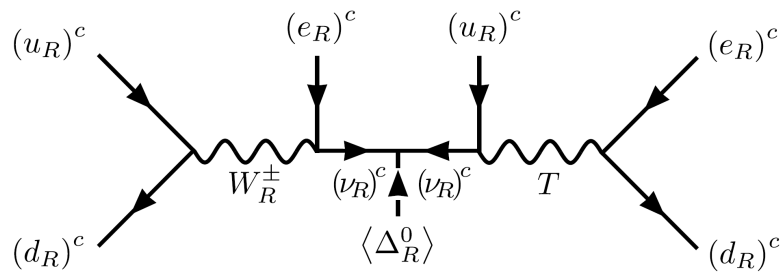
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 $T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta} \gtrsim 10^{27} \text{ ys}$

$\Rightarrow$ full (dashed) 8 TeV data limit
(future sensitivity) for dijet data

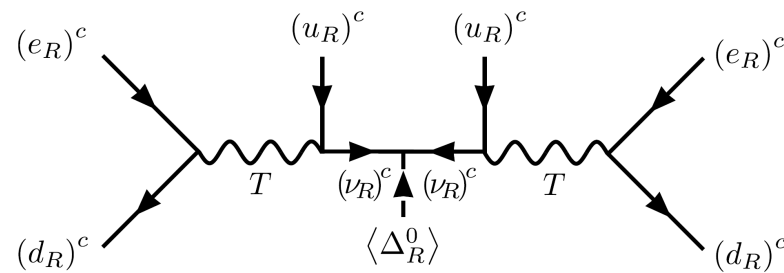
Pati-Salam group



Long-range diagram

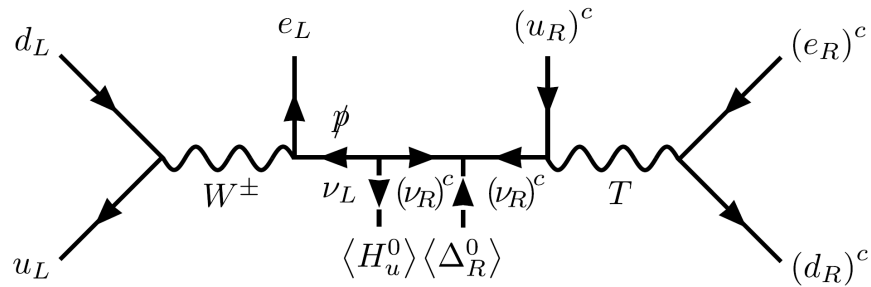


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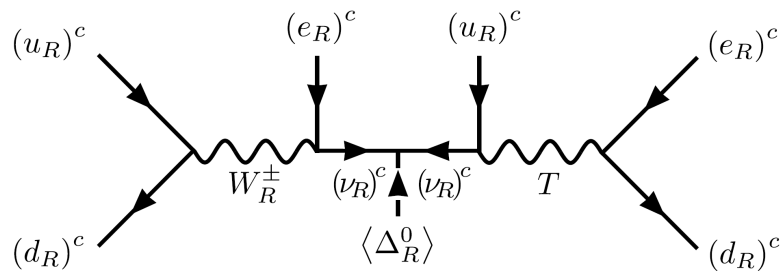


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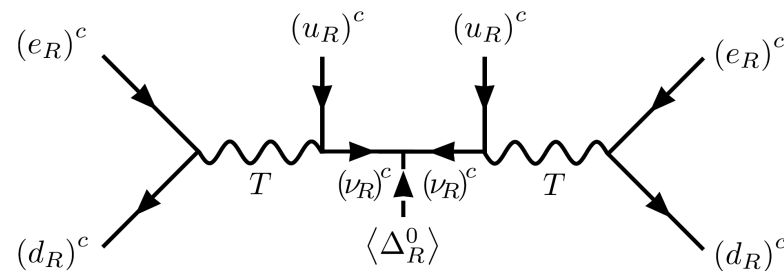
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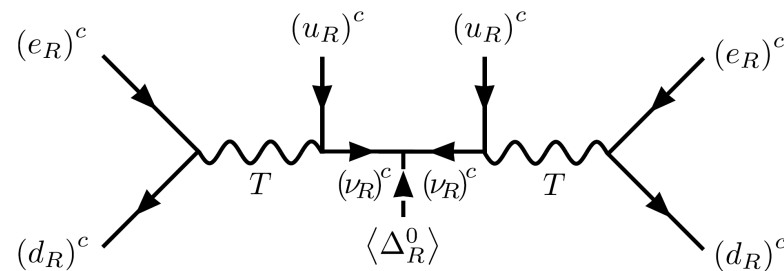
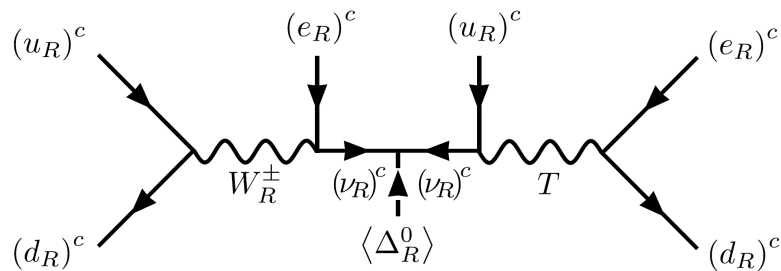
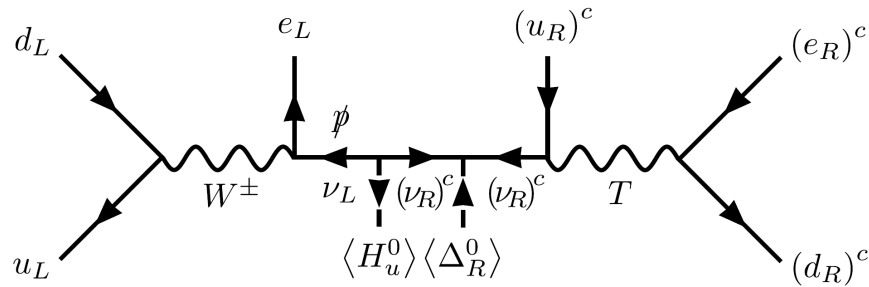
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$\Rightarrow$ Limits on $T = V_{3,1,2/3}^\mu$ similar to W_R limits ($\mathcal{O}(2 \text{ TeV})$)

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⇒ Limits on Pati-Salam scale from flavour violating decays:

Naive constraint: $K_L^0 \rightarrow \mu^\pm e^\mp \rightarrow \Lambda_{PS} \gtrsim 1700 \text{ TeV}$

A. Kuznetsov et al,
Int.J.Mod.Phys. A27, 2012

“Unavoidable” constraint, combining:

$(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- K_S^0, \tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^0, B^0 \rightarrow \mu^\pm e^\mp, B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^\pm e^\mp) \rightarrow \Lambda_{PS} \gtrsim 38 \text{ TeV}$

$SU(3)_L$ group

Enlarge $SU(2)_L$ to $SU(3)_L$. Fundamental is a triplet.
In PPF model ($\beta = -\sqrt{3}$) leptons, for example, are:

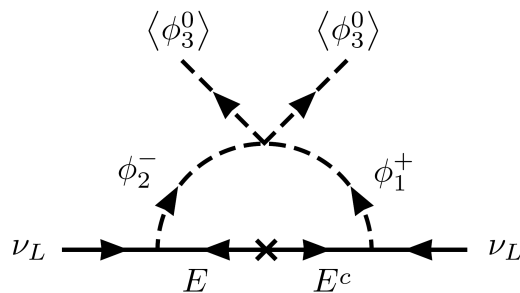
Pisano & Pleitez, 1992
Frampton, 1992

$$\psi_L = \left((\nu_L, e_L), e_R^c \right)$$

Adjoint is an octet:

$$\mathbf{8} = \begin{pmatrix} Z^0 & W^+ & V^- \\ W^- & Z'^0 & U^{--} \\ V^+ & U^{++} & Z''^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Modify PPF model (PPF-E) to generate neutrino mass:



For LNV in 331, see:
Fonseca & Hirsch,
PRD94 (2017)

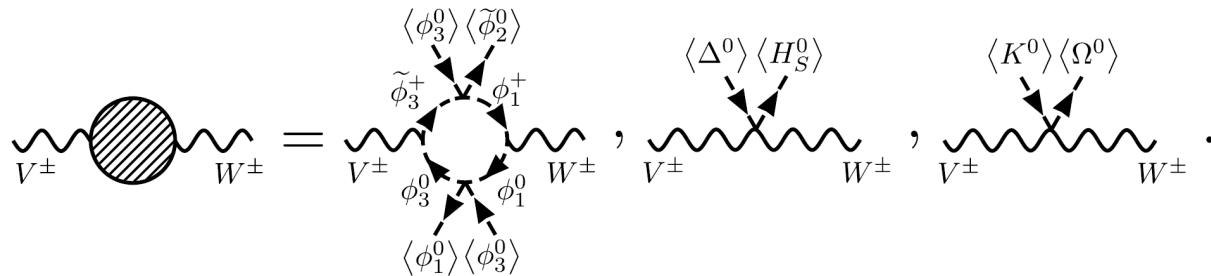
Gauge boson mixing

$V^\pm$ and $W^\pm$ can mix. Three examples:

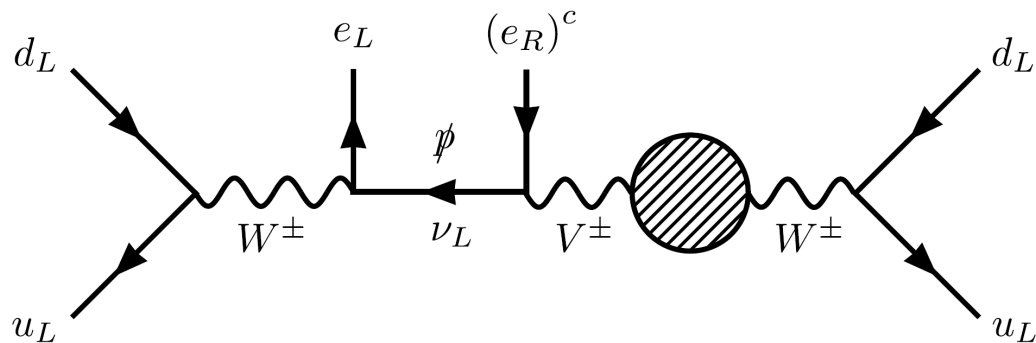
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{wavy line } V^\pm \end{array} \text{---} \text{[shaded circle]} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{wavy line } W^\pm \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{wavy line } V^\pm \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{triangle loop with } \phi_3^+, \tilde{\phi}_3^+, \phi_1^+, \phi_3^0, \phi_1^0 \text{ and } \langle \phi_3^0 \rangle \langle \tilde{\phi}_2^0 \rangle, \langle \phi_1^0 \rangle \langle \phi_3^0 \rangle \text{ labels} \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{wavy line } W^\pm \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \text{wavy line } V^\pm \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{X label with } \langle \Delta^0 \rangle \langle H_S^0 \rangle \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{wavy line } W^\pm \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \text{wavy line } V^\pm \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{X label with } \langle K^0 \rangle \langle \Omega^0 \rangle \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{wavy line } W^\pm \end{array}.$$

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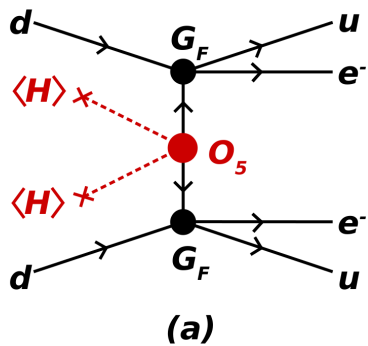
$0\nu\beta\beta$ decay long-range diagram:



$\Rightarrow$ Limit on mixing angle from C_3^L : $\zeta \lesssim 1.9 \times 10^{-9}$

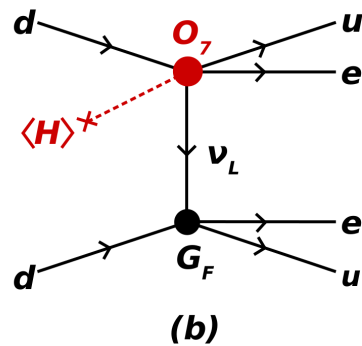
Conclusions ???

⇒ What is the **scale of LNV**?



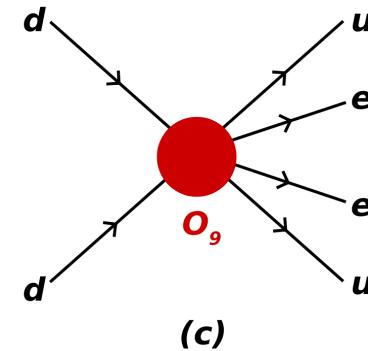
Mass mechanism

near GUT scale ?



"long-range"

$(10^3 - 10^6)$ GeV?



"short-range"

"few" TeV?