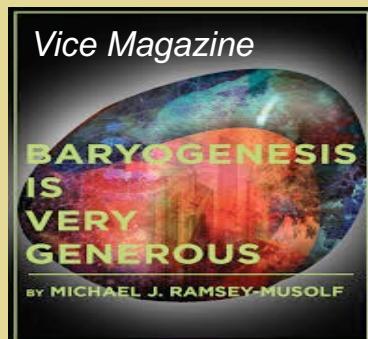


# **TeV Scale LNV: Connecting $0\nu\beta\beta$ – Decay, Colliders & Cosmology**

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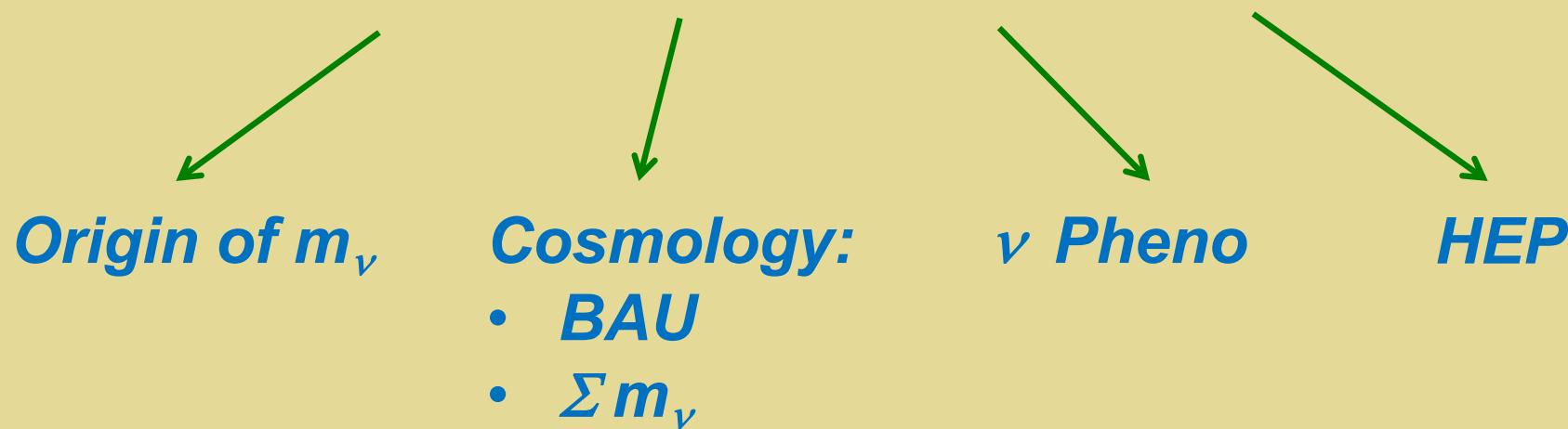
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*V. Conclusions*

# *I. Scientific Motivation*

# Scientific Questions

- Does nature violate conservation of total lepton number at the classical (Lagrangian) level ?
- If so, what is the associated LNV mass scale ?
- What is the sensitivity of ton-scale  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay searches under various LNV scenarios ?
- What are the inter-frontier implications?



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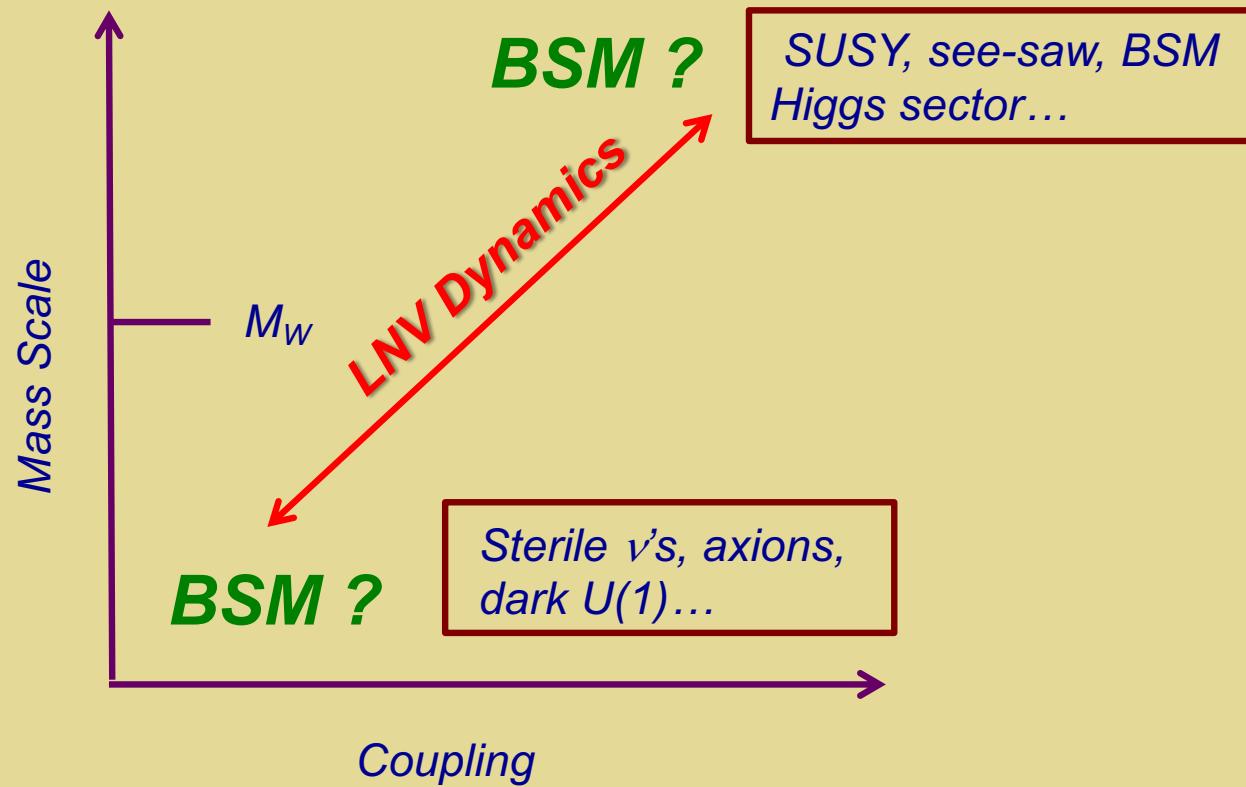
*Dirac*

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*Majorana*

***Mass scale for LNV dynamics ?***

# *LNV Physics: Where Does it Live ?*



***Is the LNV scale (associated with  $m_\nu$ ) far above  $M_W$  ? Near  $M_W$  ? Well below  $M_W$  ?***

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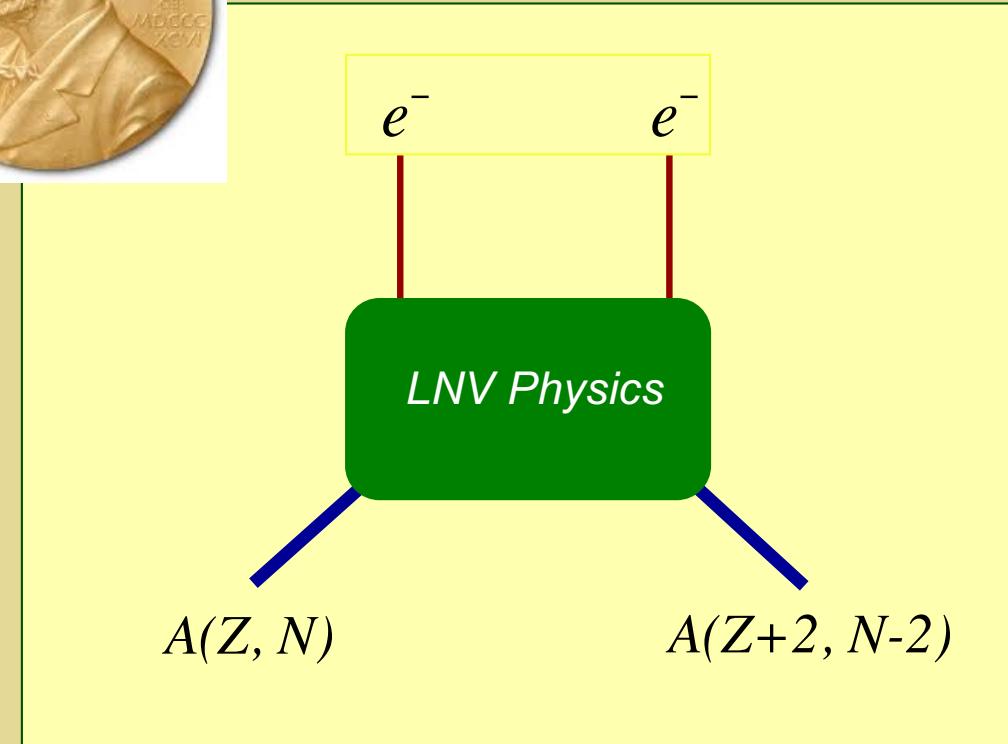
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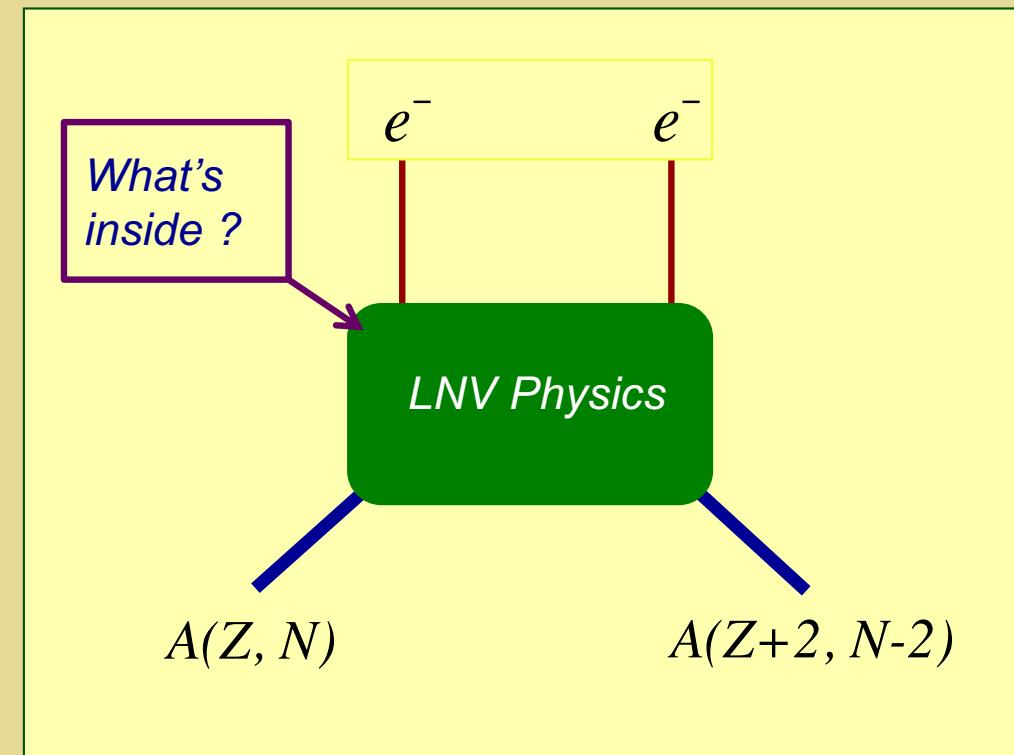
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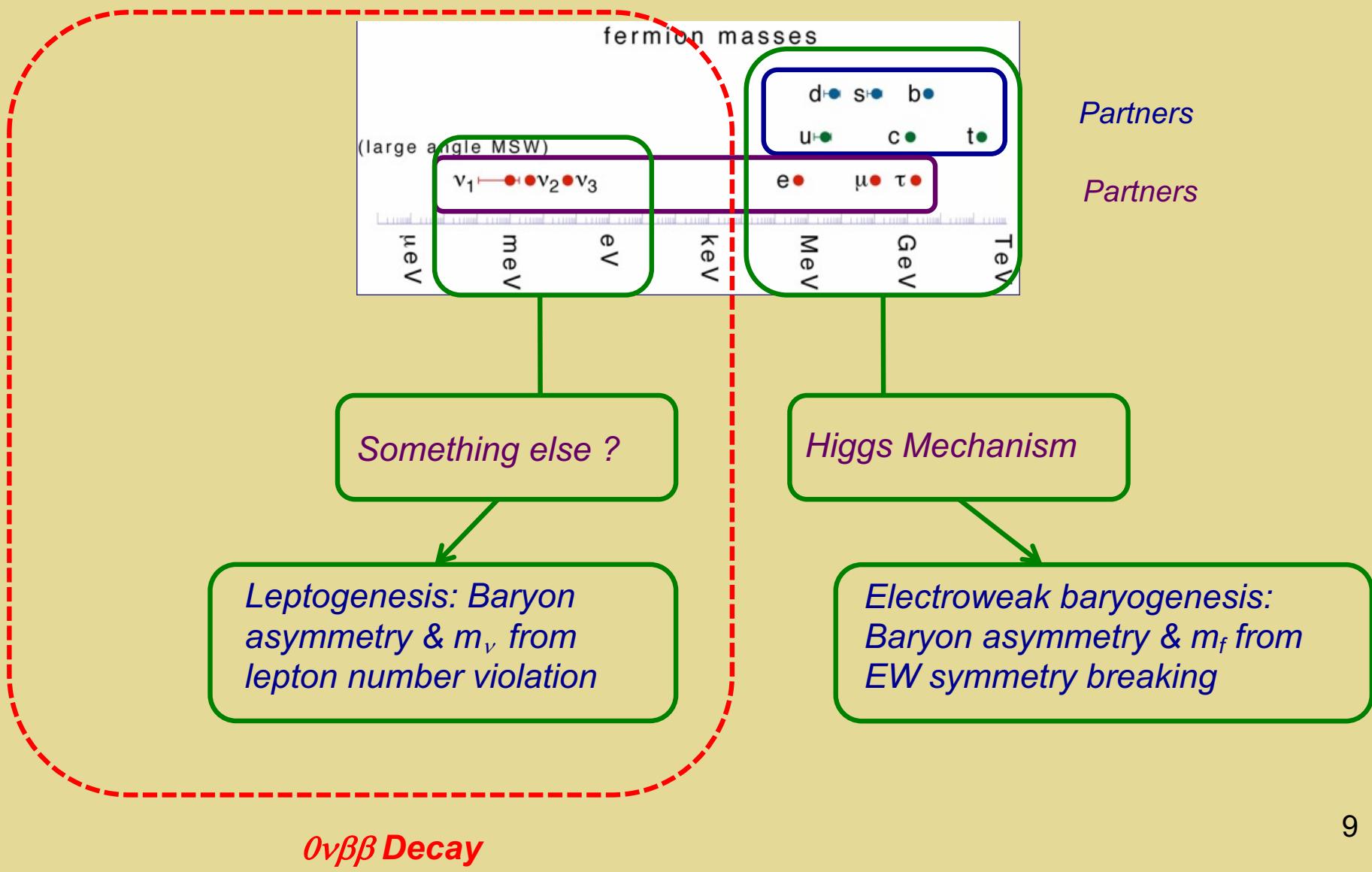
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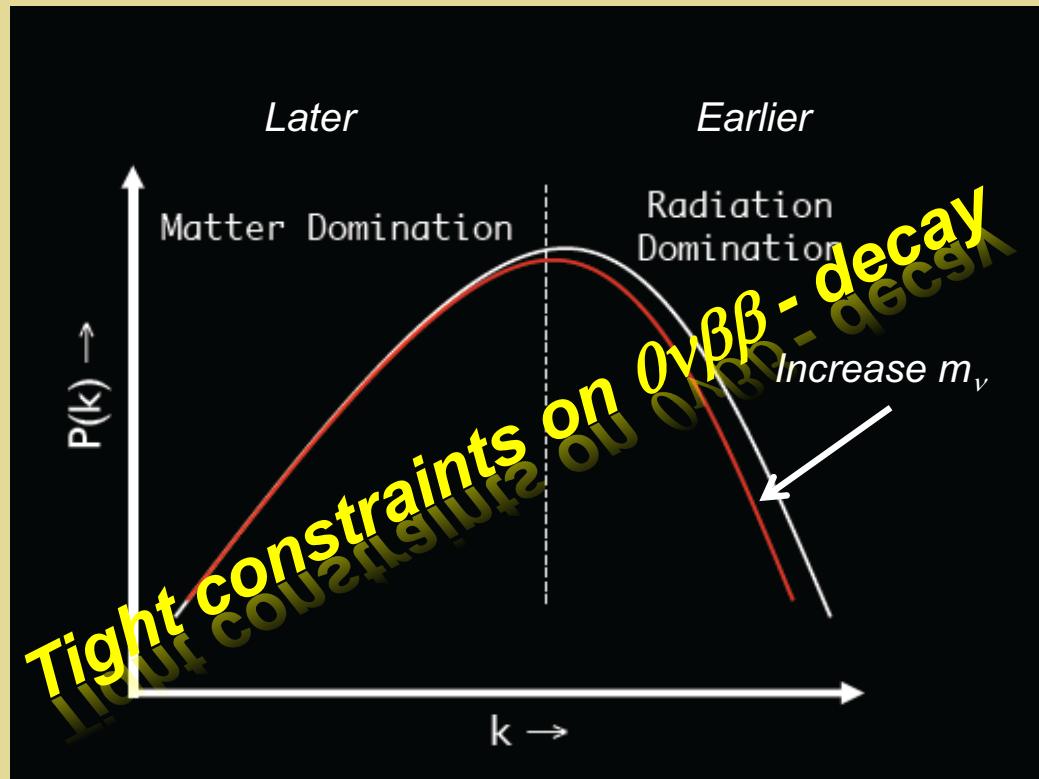


# Fermion Masses & Baryon Asymmetry



# Neutrino Mass & Cosmology

## Matter Power Spectrum



$$\Sigma m_\nu < 0.12 \text{ eV}$$

Palanque-Dalbrouille '15

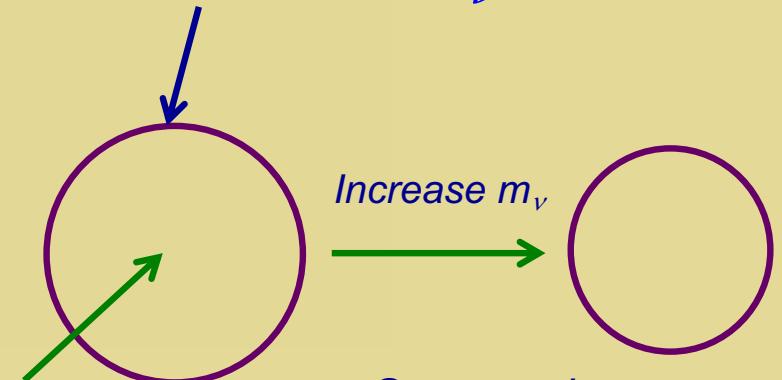
## Neutrino Free Streaming

$$\Omega_M = \Omega_\nu + \Omega_{DM} + \Omega_B$$

$$\delta\rho_\nu \leftrightarrow \delta\rho_{DM}$$

## Free Streaming Scale

$$L_{fs} \propto m_\nu^{-1/2}$$



$\delta\rho_\nu$  (power) suppressed  
for  $L < L_{fs}$

Suppression moves  
to smaller scales  $\rightarrow$   
Larger  $k$

# BSM LNV: $0\nu\beta\beta$ -Decay & Colliders

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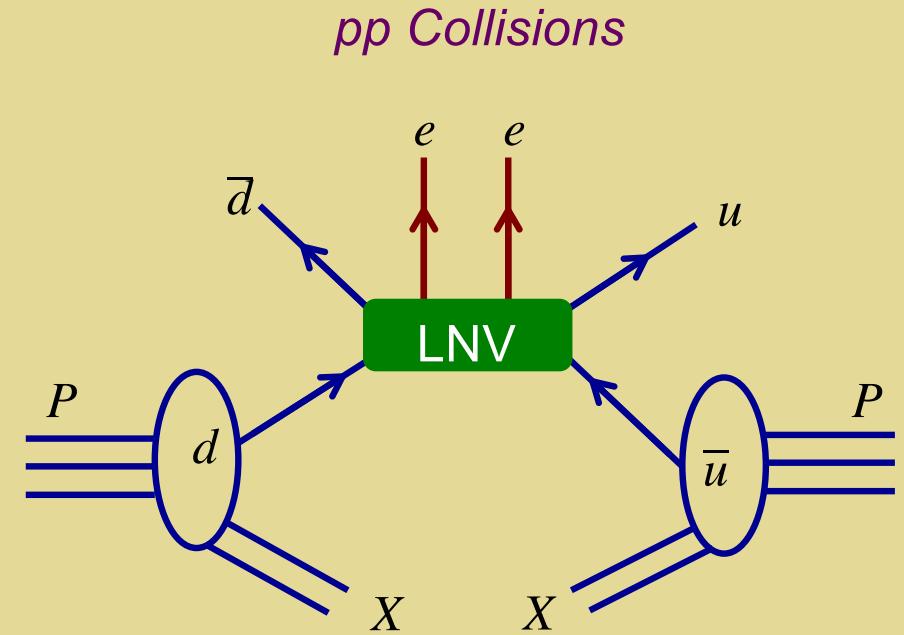
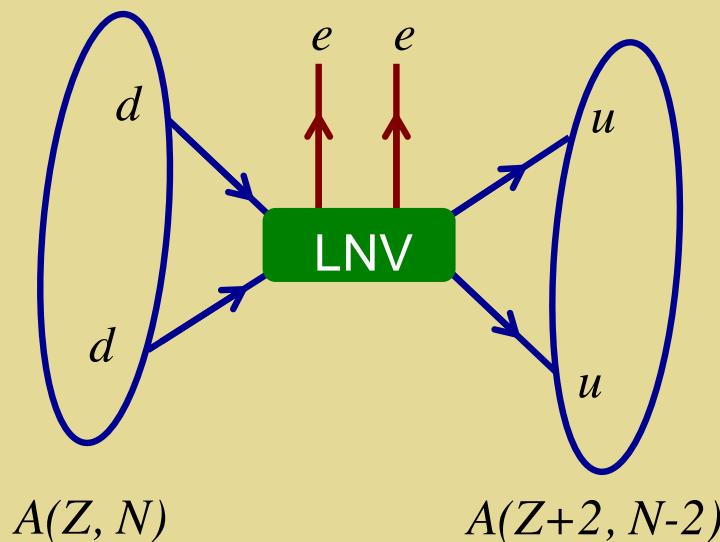
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$\Gamma_{\text{LHC}}$

$0\nu\beta\beta$ -Decay

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***The “Standard Mechanism”***

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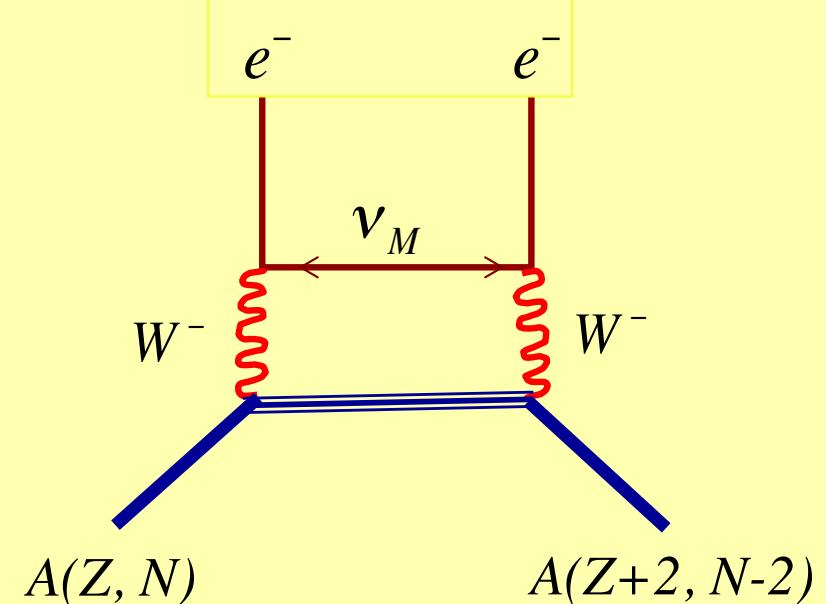
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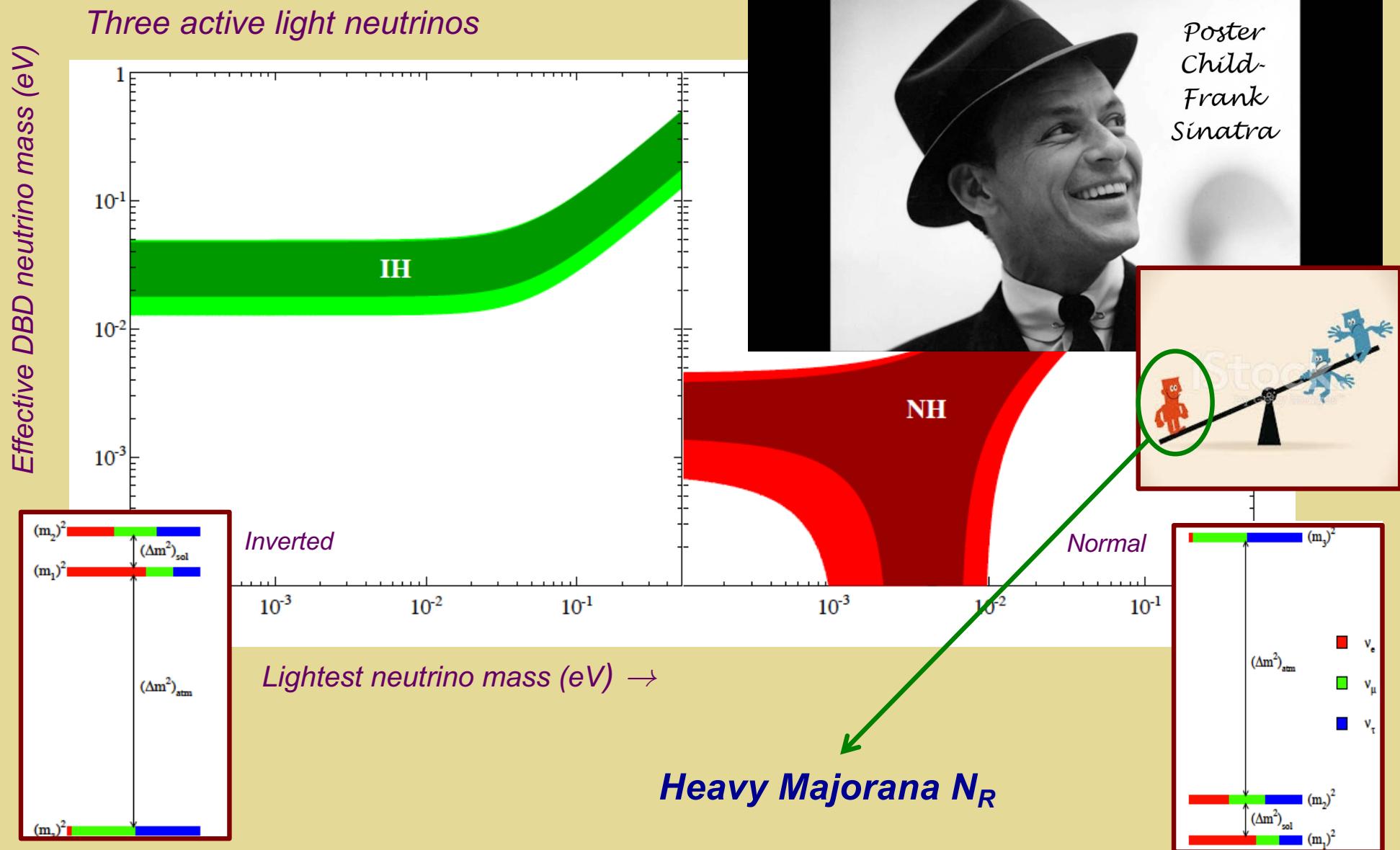
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## “Standard” Mechanism

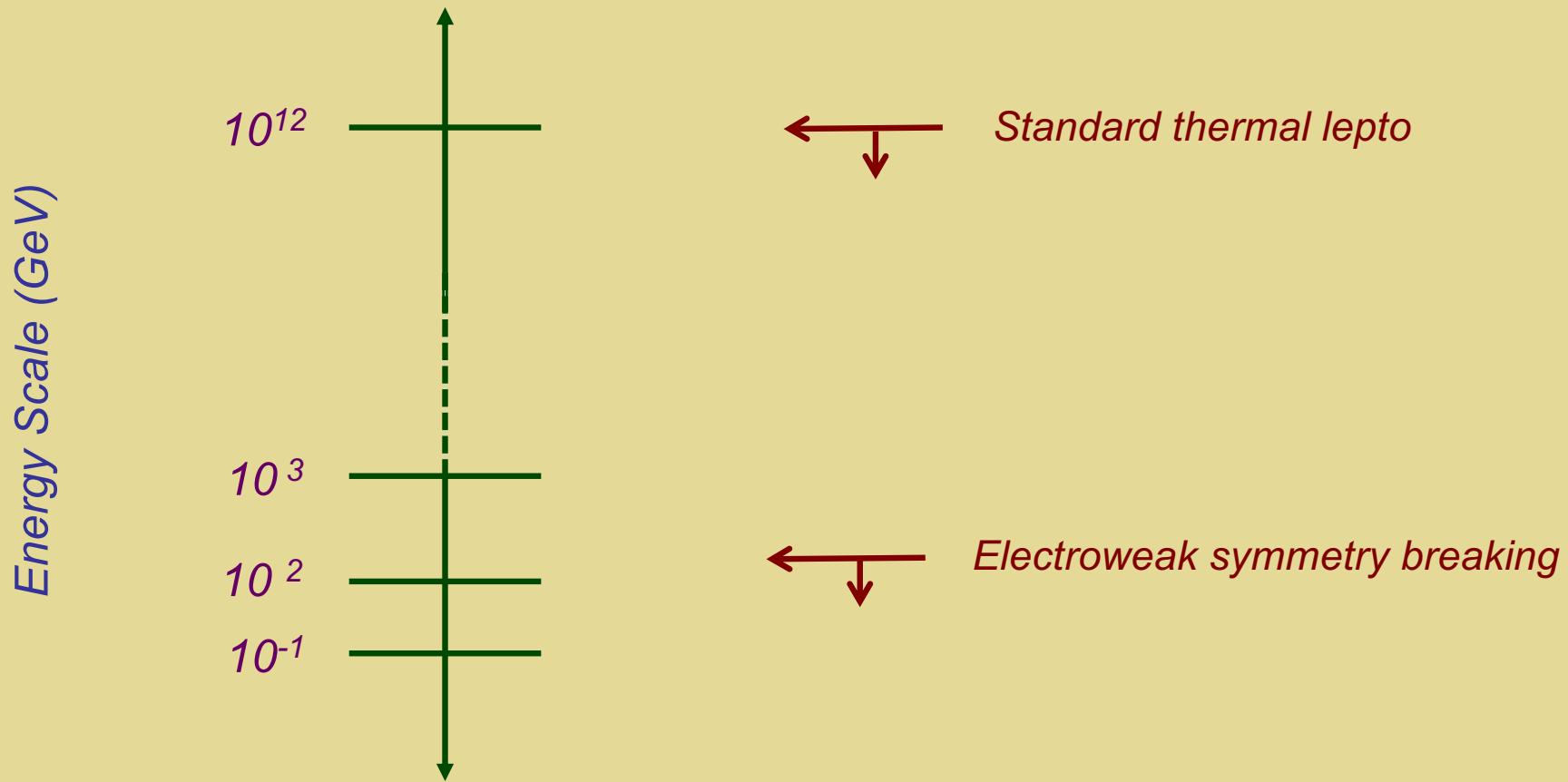
- Light Majorana mass generated at the conventional see-saw scale:  $\Lambda \sim 10^{12} - 10^{15}$  GeV
- 3 light Majorana neutrinos mediate decay process



# $0\nu\beta\beta$ -Decay: “Poster Child” Mechanism

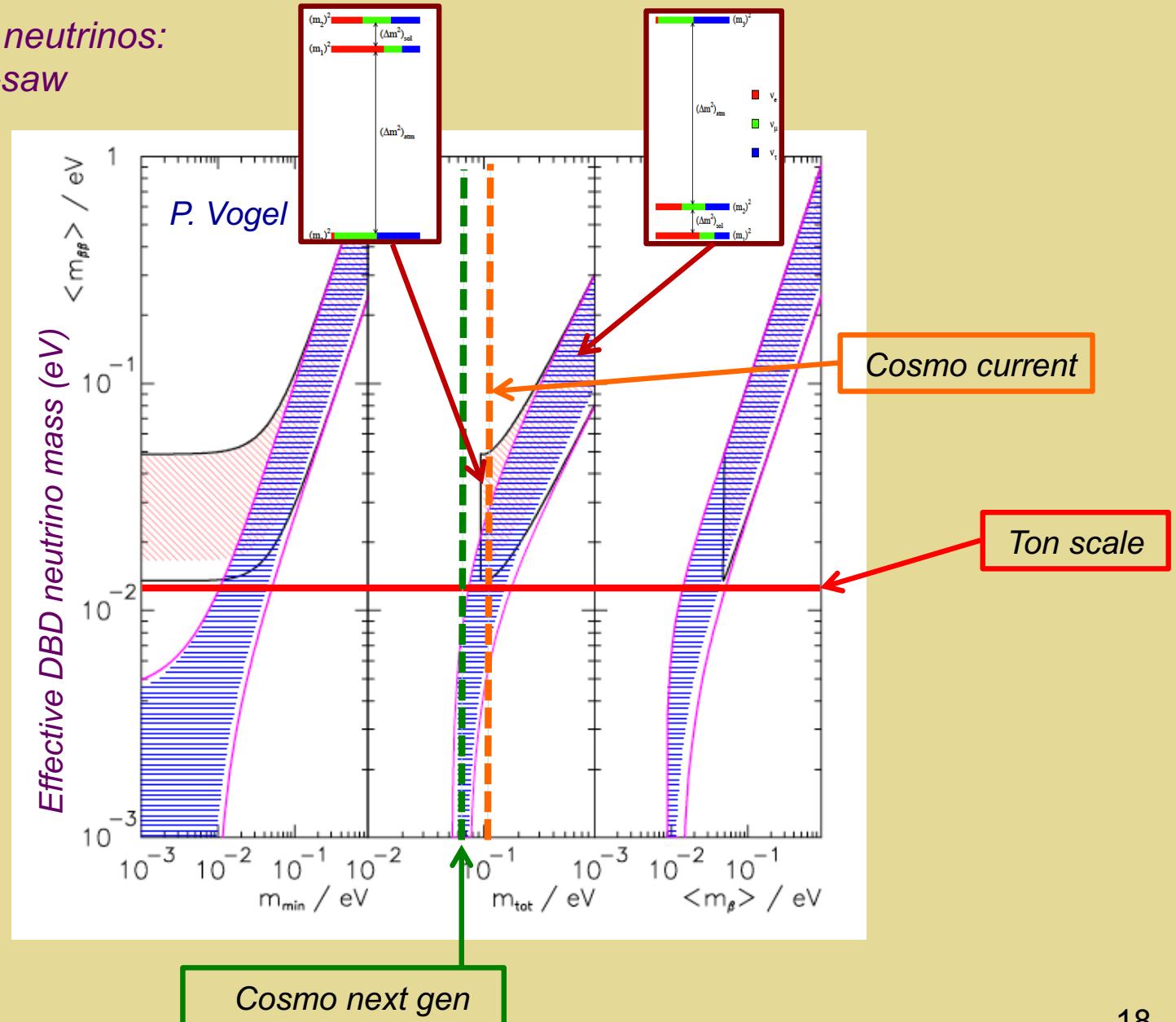


# *High Scale LNV & Leptogenesis*



# $\Sigma m_\nu$ from Cosmo: $0\nu\beta\beta$ -Decay Implications

Three active light neutrinos:  
conventional see-saw



### *III. TeV-Scale LNV*

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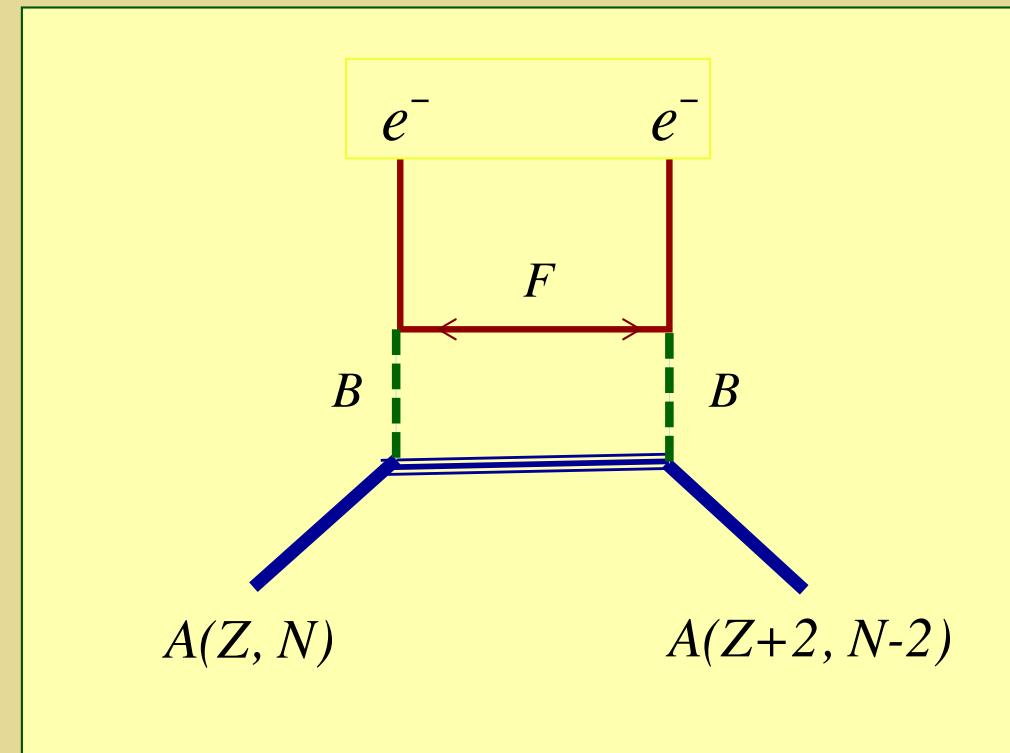
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## TeV LNV Mechanism

- Majorana mass generated at the TeV scale
  - TeV scale see-saw
  - Radiative  $m_\nu$
- $m_{\text{MIN}} \ll 0.01$  eV but  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -signal accessible with tonne-scale exp'ts due to heavy Majorana particle exchange



# ***Simplified Models: Illustrative Case***

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# TeV Scale LNV: EFT

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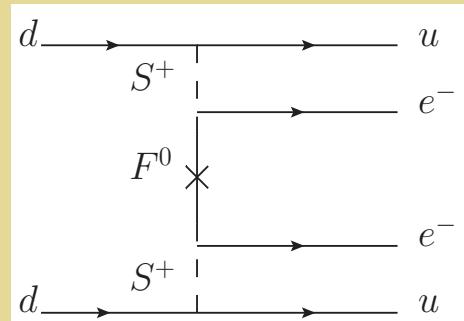
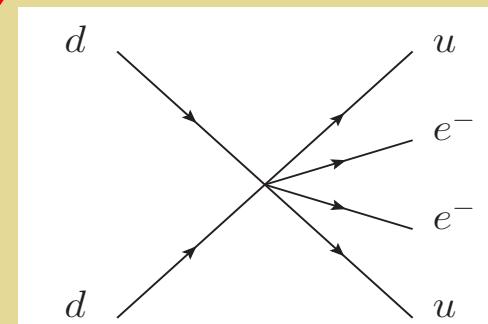
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$0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

LHC:  $pp \rightarrow jj e^-e^-$

*EFT “Bridge”*



## TeV Scale LNV

Low-energy process →  
effective field theory  
with hadrons & leptons

High-energy process →  
“full theory” (simplified):  
keep TeV scale d.o.f.  
explicit

# **Low Energy: $0\nu\beta\beta$ - decay in EFT**

d=9 effective operators

$$\mu = M_{WEAK}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(q, e) = \frac{G_F^2}{\Lambda_{\beta\beta}} \sum_{j=1}^{14} C_j(\mu) \hat{O}_j^{++} \bar{e} \Gamma_j e^c + h.c.$$

e.g.

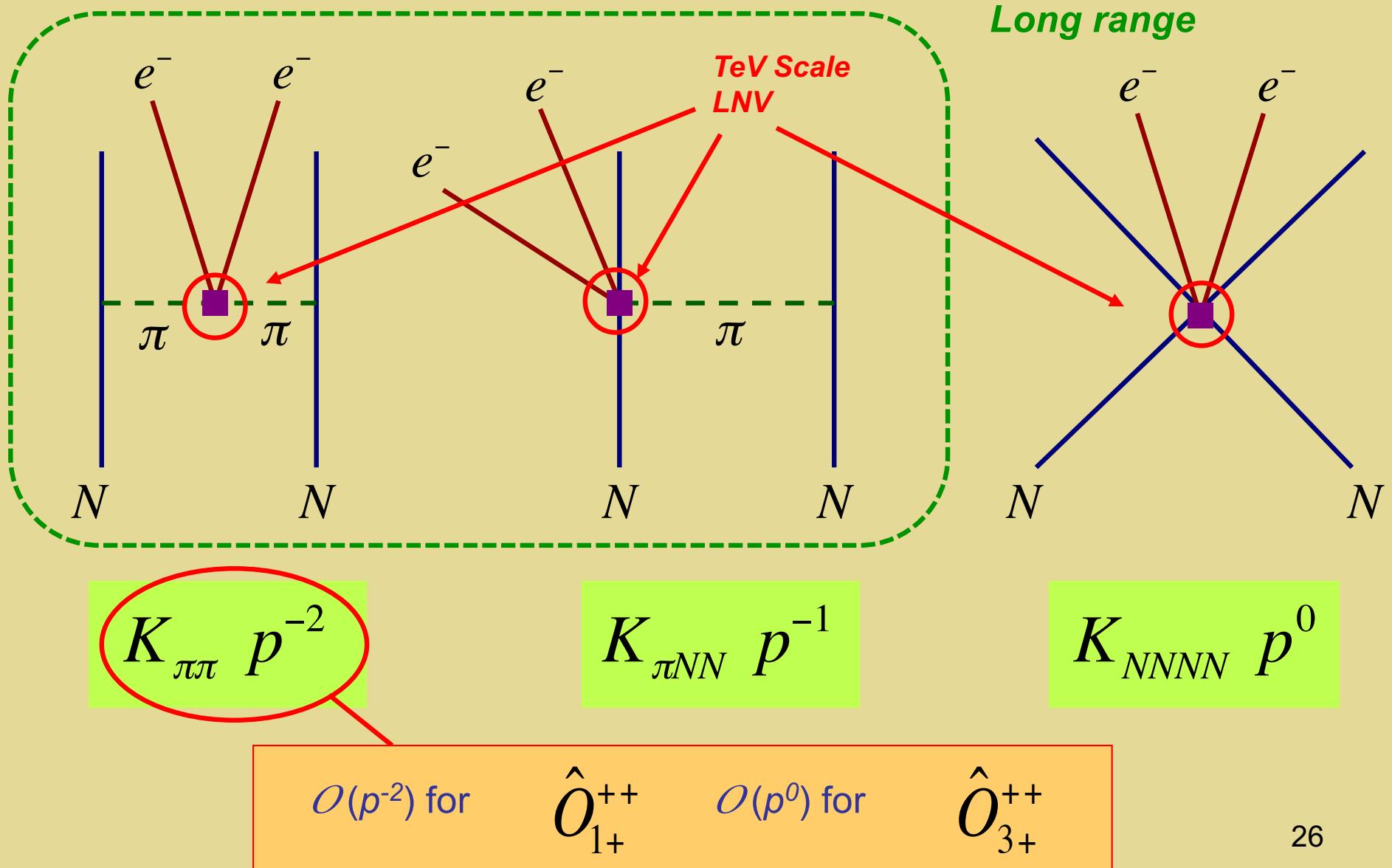
$$\hat{O}_{1+}^{ab} = \bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu \tau^a q_L \bar{q}_R \gamma_\mu \tau^b q_R$$

**$0\nu\beta\beta$  - decay:  $a = b = +$**

Prezeau, MJRM, Vogel  
PRD 68 (2003) 034016

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EFT

LQCD

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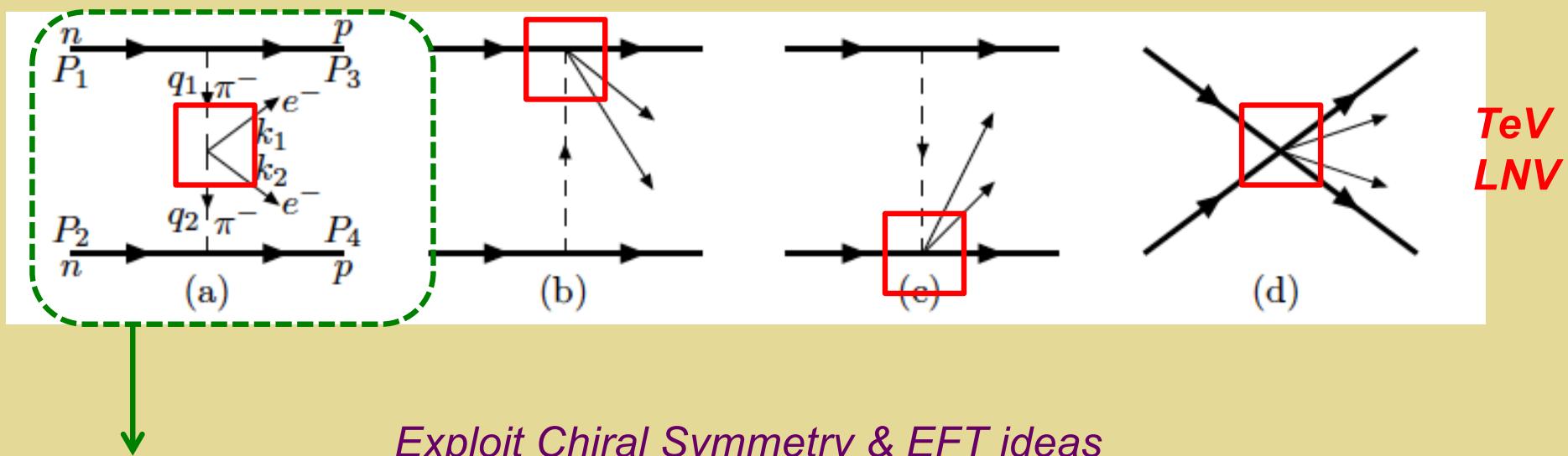
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Low energy: Nuclear Matrix Elements: Long Range Effects

Prezeau, R-M, Vogel '03 \*

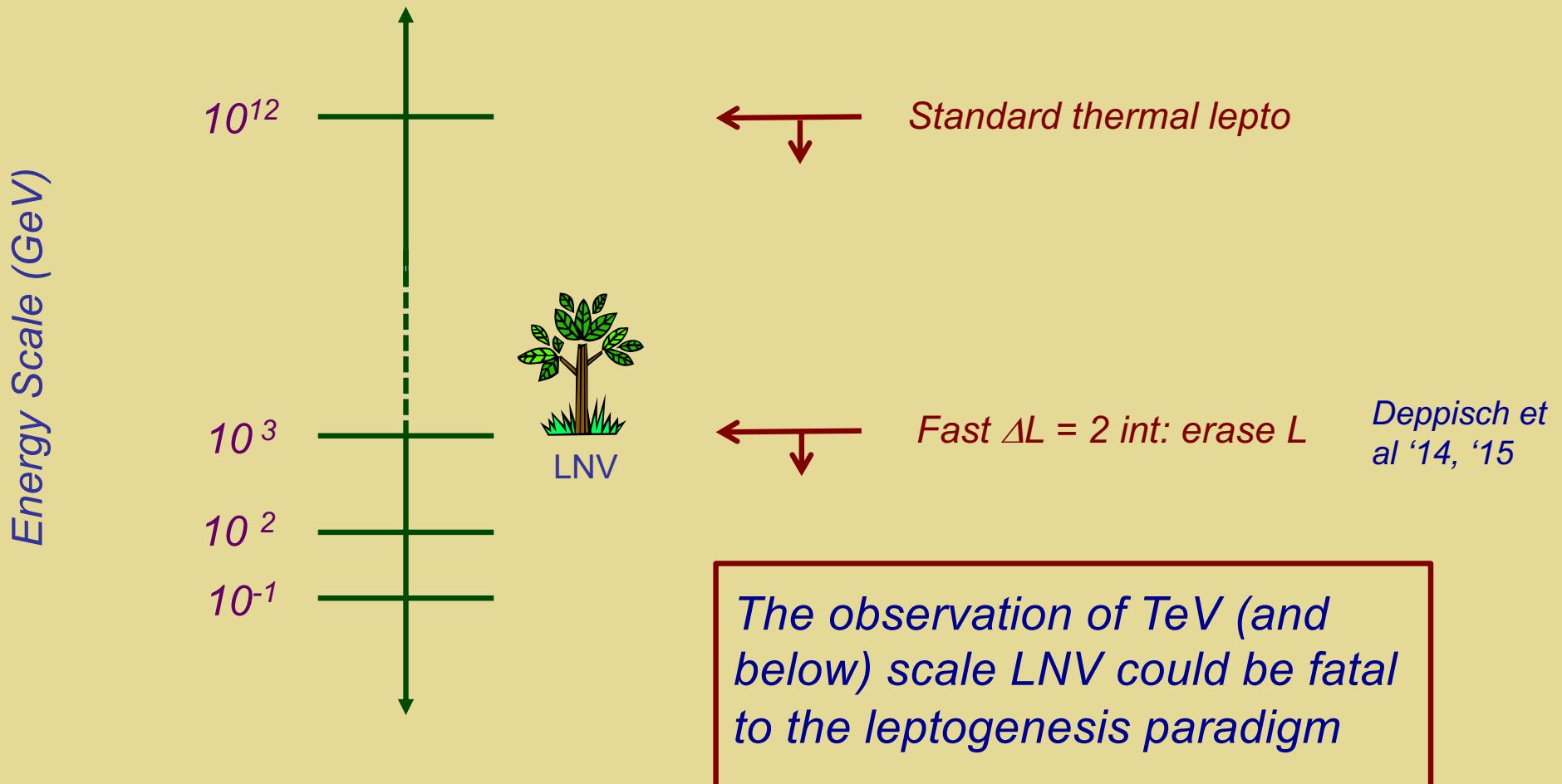


This model: LO + counterterm

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# TeV LNV & Leptogenesis

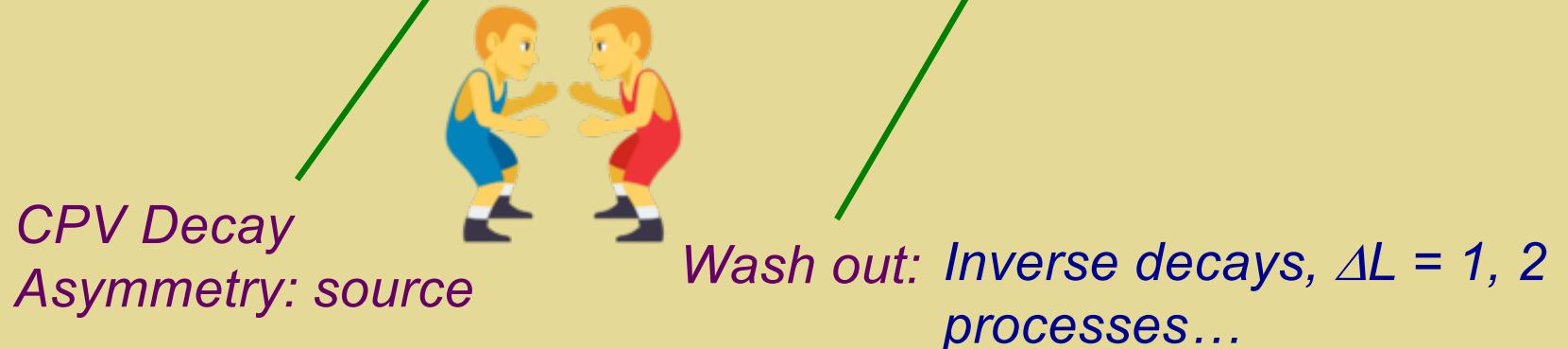


# Boltzmann: $N_R$ & $B-L$

Basic equations: decays & inverse decays

$$\frac{dY_N}{dz} = -(D + S) \left( Y_N - Y_N^{\text{EQ}} \right)$$

$$\frac{dY_{B-L}}{dz} = -\epsilon D \left( Y_N - Y_N^{\text{EQ}} \right) - W Y_{B-L}$$

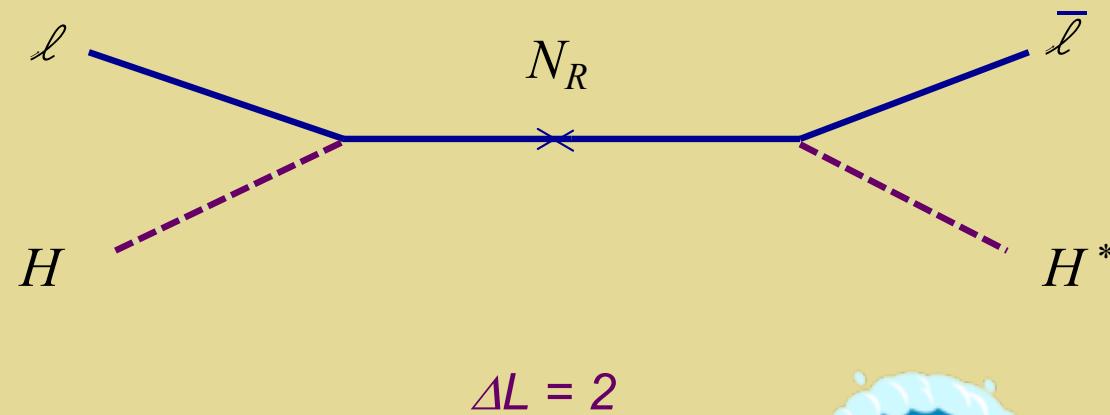


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*Washout processes*



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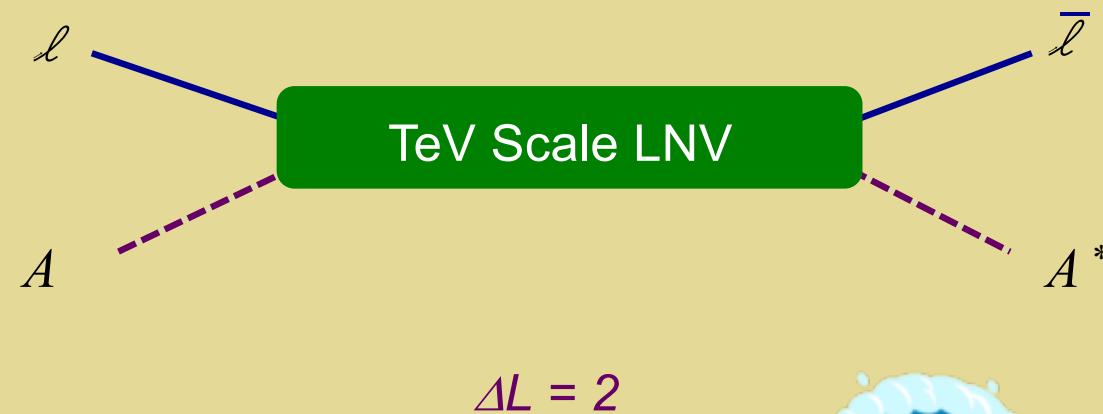


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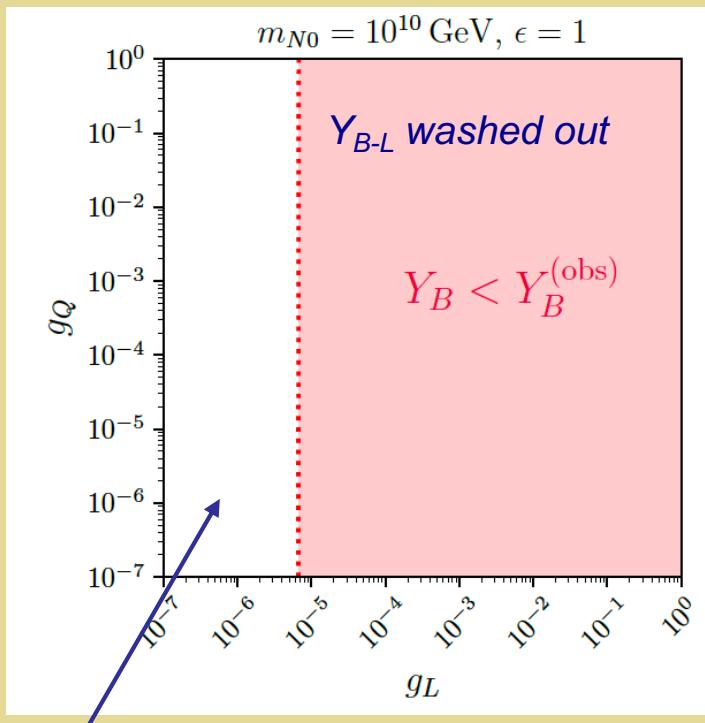


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J. Harz, MJRM, T. Shen, S. Urrutia-Quiroga '21

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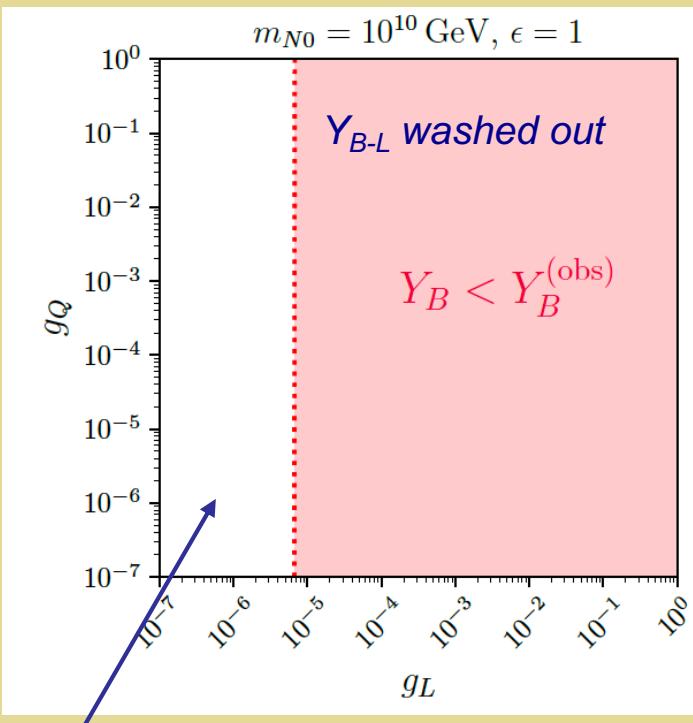
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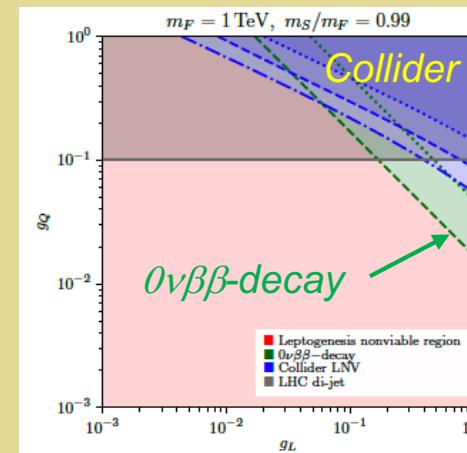
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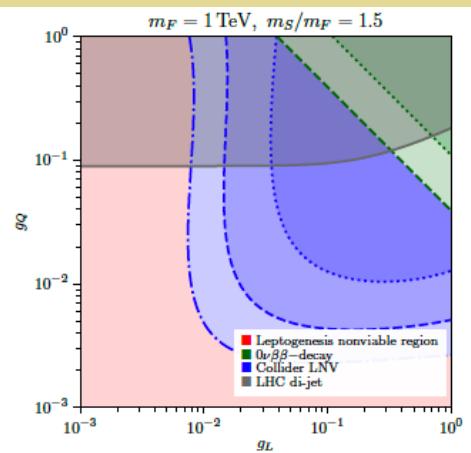
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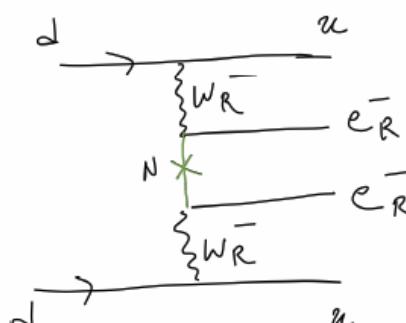
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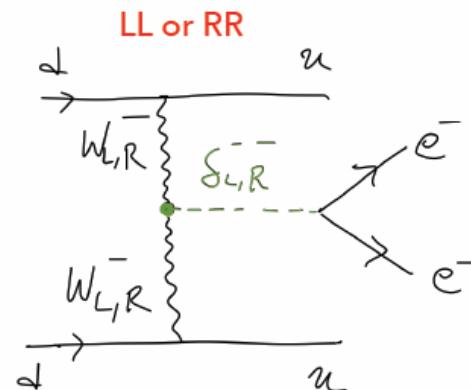
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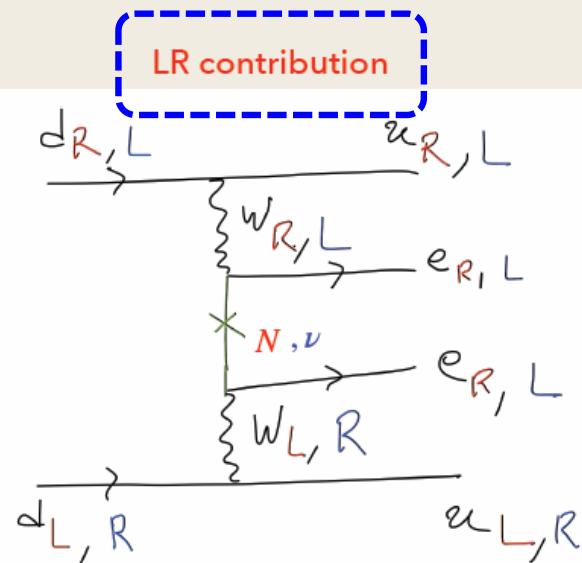
RR contribution



Suppressed by heavy

$\delta^{++}$  masses and LFV constraints (Tello and Senjanovic. ArXiv: 1011.3522)

ATLAS limit  $\sim 800$  GeV (arXiv: 1710.09748)



The Blue contributions are

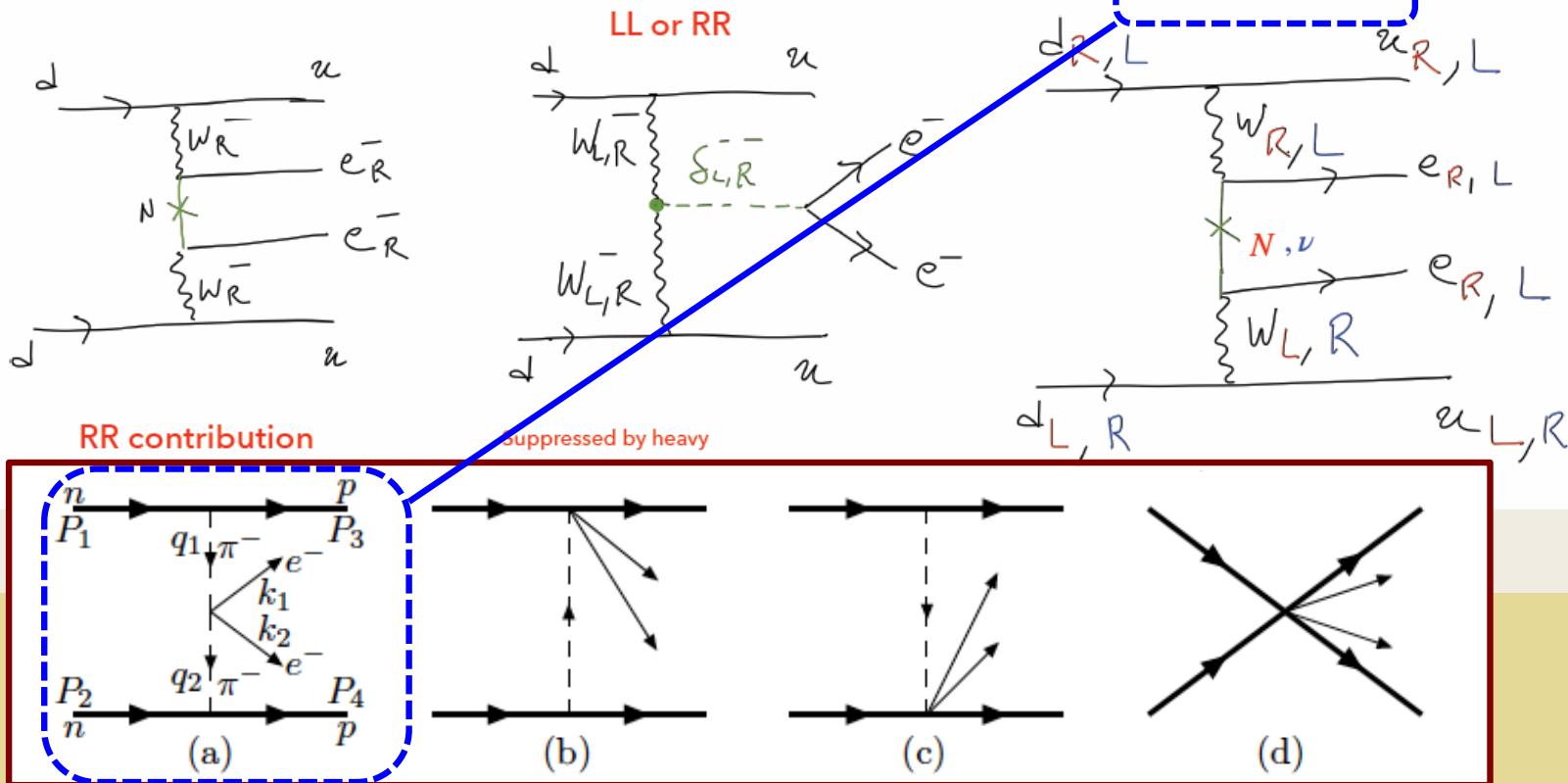
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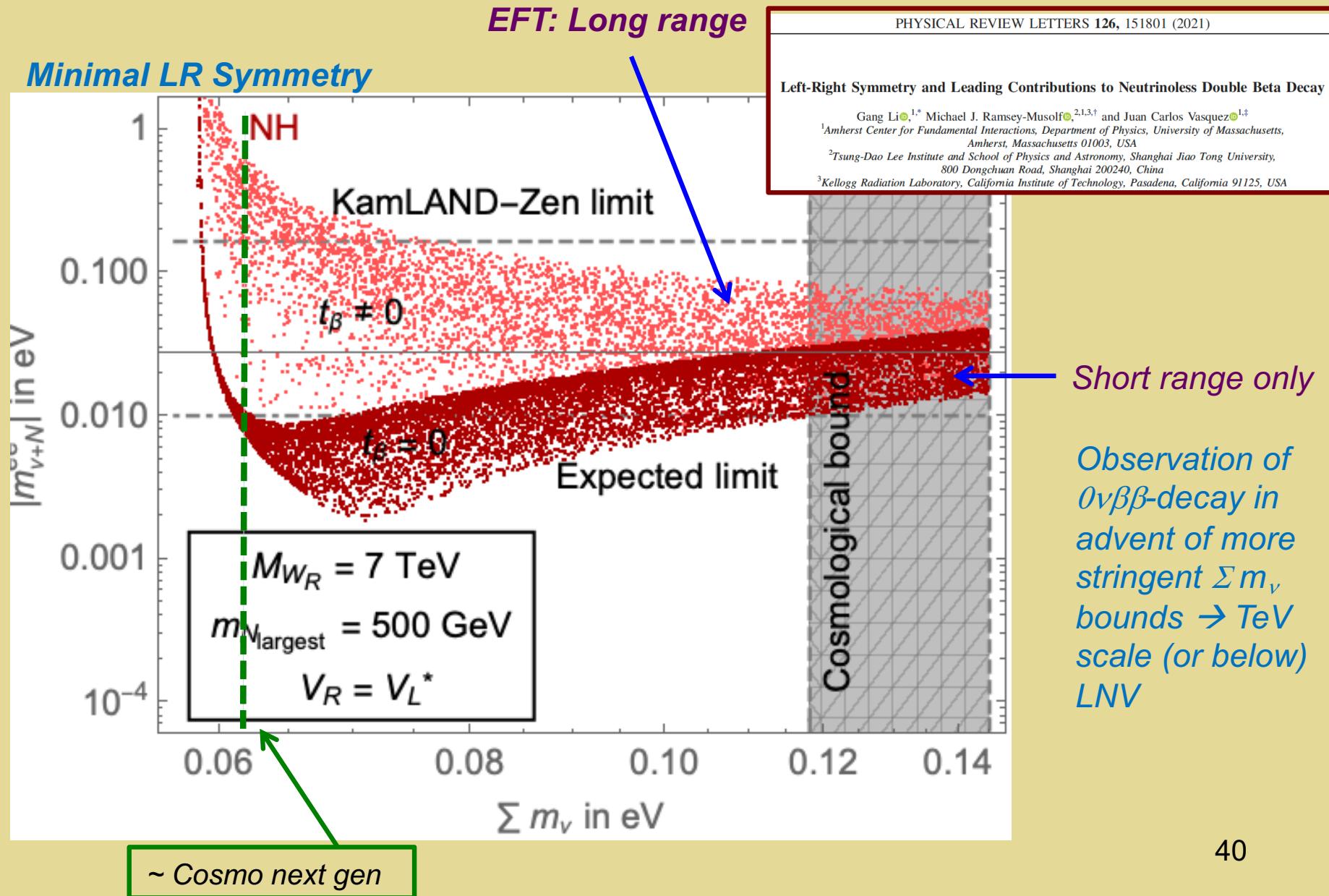
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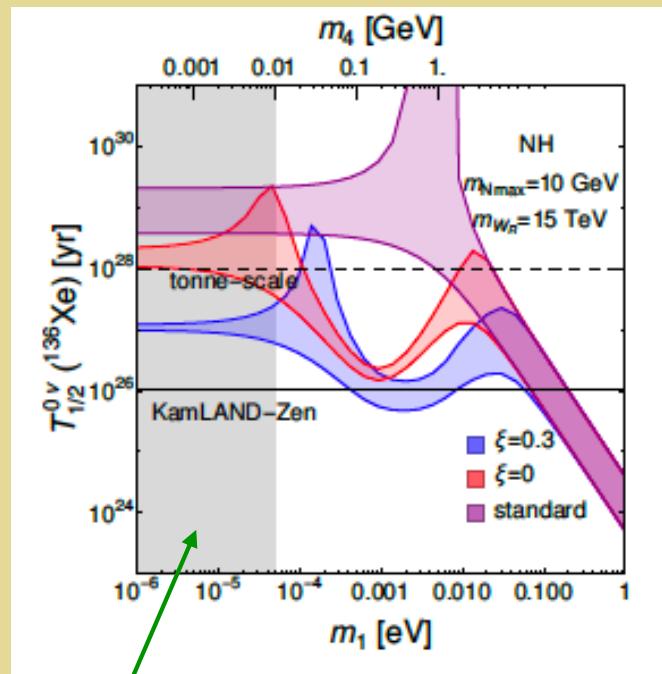
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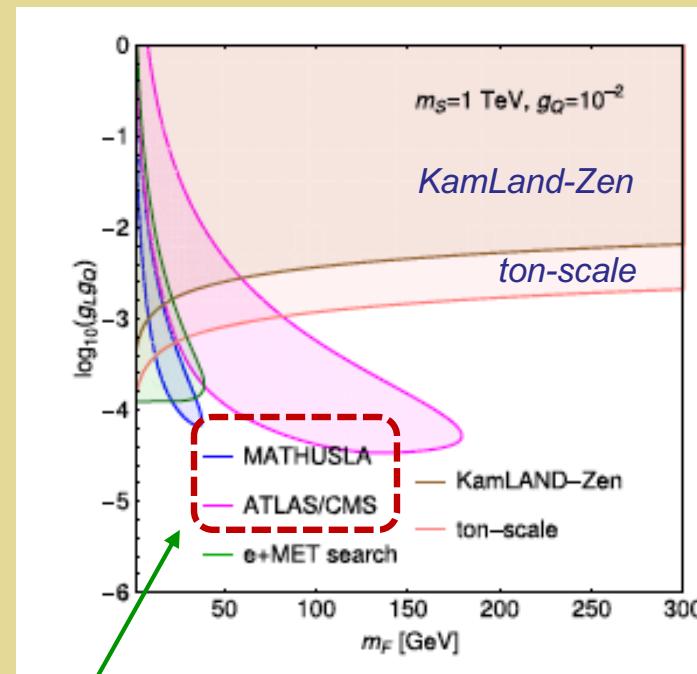
# More Than 3 Light Neutrinos: MeV-GeV

*mLRSM*



Current  $\Sigma m_\nu$   
exclusion

*Simplified Model*



LHC long-lived  
particle searches

## V. Conclusions & Outlook

- *The observation of  $0\nu\beta\beta$ –decay would imply the existence of BSM LNV that could hold the keys to answering fundamental questions: origin of  $m_\nu$  & matter antimatter asymmetry.*
- *If BSM LNV exists, we don't know the associated mass scale*
- *Ton-scale  $0\nu\beta\beta$ –decay searches provide a powerful probe of LNV at all scales, with broader implications for our understanding of physics at the cosmic and high energy frontiers*

## V. Conclusions & Outlook

- *The observation of TeV scale LNV would have profound implications for our understanding of the origin of  $m_\nu$ , & the connection to the cosmic baryon asymmetry*
- *There exists a rich interplay between  $0\nu\beta\beta$ , collider searches, and  $m_\nu$  information from cosmology*
- *Exciting opportunities ahead for exploring model realizations, related phenomenology, and hadronic/nuclear theory*



# *Back Up Slides*

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