

# Discovery of Light Sterile Neutrino $(M_N < M_W)$ at the LHC

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# 1. Introduction

- Neutrinos are massless in the SM
  - No right-handed  $\nu$ 's → Dirac mass term is not allowed.
  - Conserves the  $SU(2)_L$  gauge symmetry, and only contains the Higgs doublet (the SM accidentally possesses ( $B - L$ ) symmetry); → Majorana mass term is forbidden.

- Why are physicists interested in neutrino mass ?
  - ➔ Window to high energy physics beyond the SM!
- How exactly do we extend it?
  - ➔ Without knowing if neutrinos are Dirac or Majorana, any attempts to extend the Standard Model are not successful.
- Effective Observability of Difference between Dirac and Majorana Nu is proportional to

$$\Delta(D - M) \propto m / E$$

# Possible range of (Sterile) Nu mass

(a) From neutrino oscillation and WMAP:

- $|\Delta m_{12}^2| \approx 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$        $\Delta m_{13}^2 \approx 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$       from neutrino oscillation
- $\sum m_i \prec 1 \text{ eV}$       from WMAP and Astrophysics
- $m_1 \approx O(10^{-5}) \text{ eV}$       from nuMSM (a model)
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(b) From dark matter searches:

$$\begin{aligned} m_{N_1} &\approx O(10) \text{ keV} && \text{from nuMSM, warm DM, ...} \\ m_N &\approx O(1-10) \text{ GeV} && \text{from DAMA, CDMS, XENON, ...} \\ m_N &\approx O(100-1000) \text{ GeV} && \text{from SUSY, EDM, ...} \end{aligned}$$

(C) From BAU and Inflation       $m_N \leq 20 \text{ GeV}$

(D) From usual see-saw       $m_N \approx O(10^{12}) \text{ GeV}$

(E) We can assume any value of  $m_N$ , which will be determined by experiments.

# Possible bound of (Sterile) N mixing

$$\nu_\ell = \sum_{j=1}^3 B_{\ell\nu_j} \nu_j + B_{\ell N} N$$

→  $B_{\ell\nu_j}$  = PMNS Mixing       $B_{\ell N}$  = Sterile N Mixing

- Present bounds for heavy N [Nardi et al, PLB327,319]

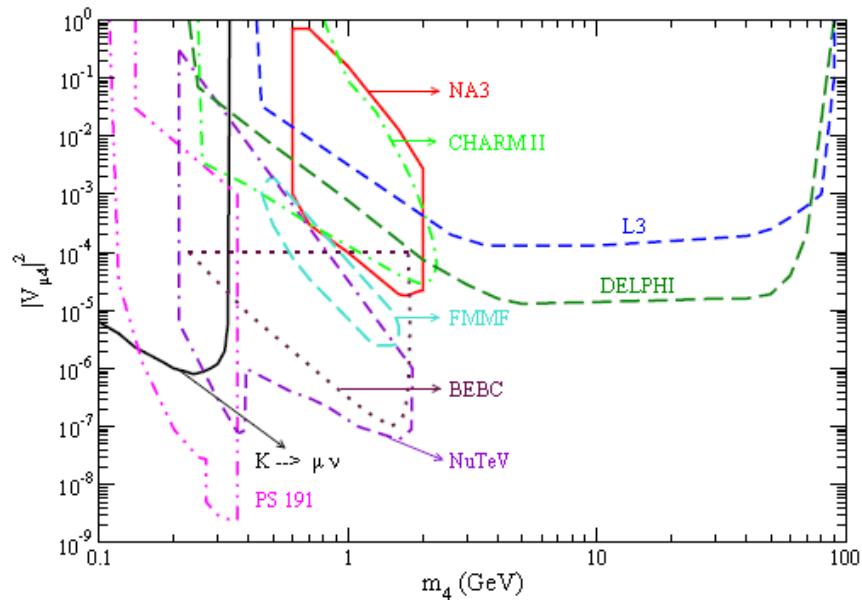
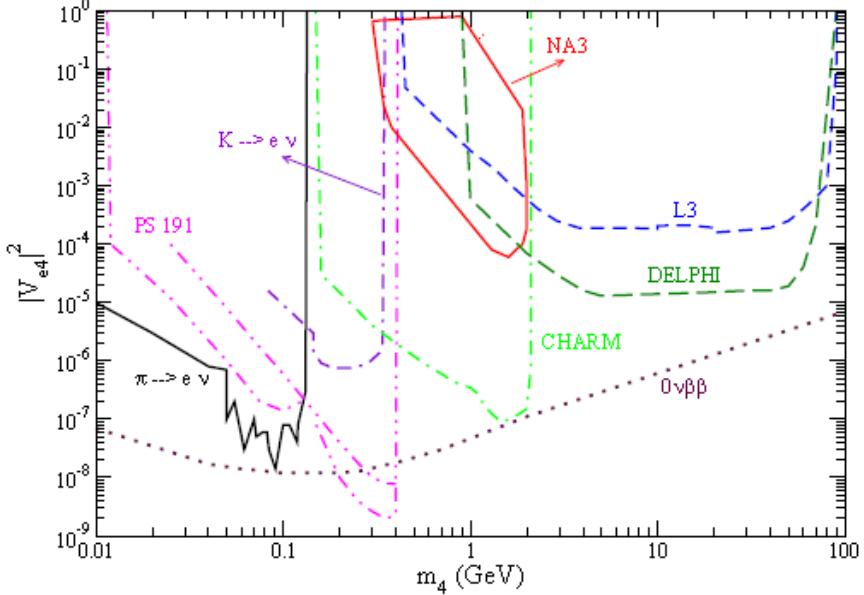
$$\sum_N |U_{Ne}|^2 \equiv (s_L^{\nu_e})^2 \leq 0.005 , \quad (s_L^{\nu_\mu})^2 \leq 0.002 , \quad (s_L^{\nu_\tau})^2 \leq 0.010$$

- M. Aoki *et al.* [PIENU Collaboration], Phys. Rev. D 84, 052002 (2011)  
current bound on the mixing element  $|B_{eN}|^2 \lesssim 10^{-8}$

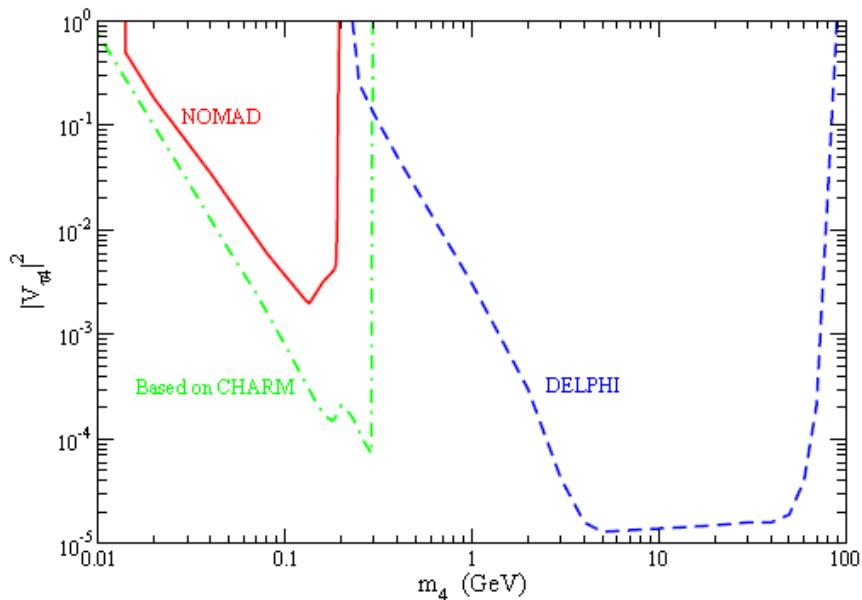
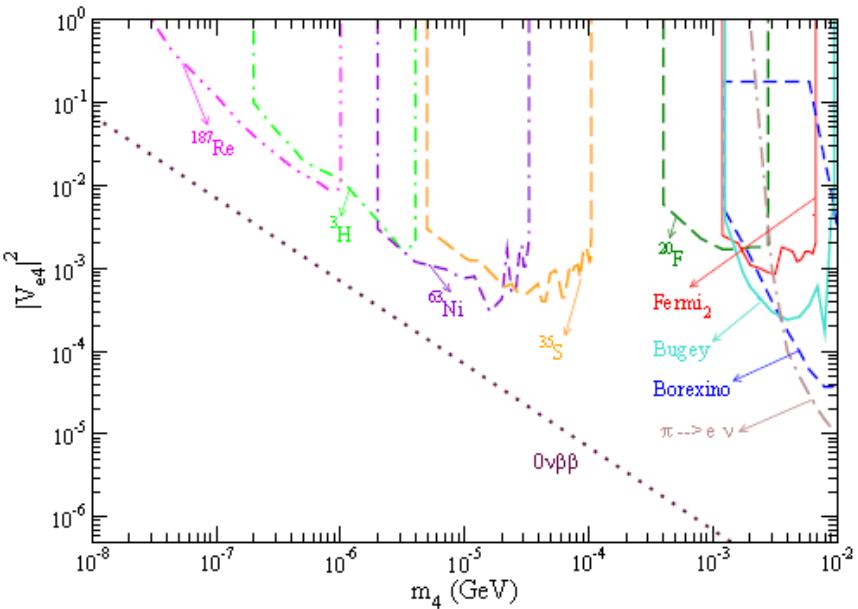
- In nuMSM, see-saw with (light RH sterile) N gives:

$$m_{\beta\beta} = \left| \sum_i m_i U_{ei}^2 + M_1 \Theta_{e1}^2 \right|, \quad |M_1 \Theta_{e1}^2| = \frac{|M_{1e}^{D2}|}{M_1}. \quad \Theta_{eN} = M^D / M_N$$

- We can assume any value of  $B_{\ell N}$ , which will be determined by experiments.



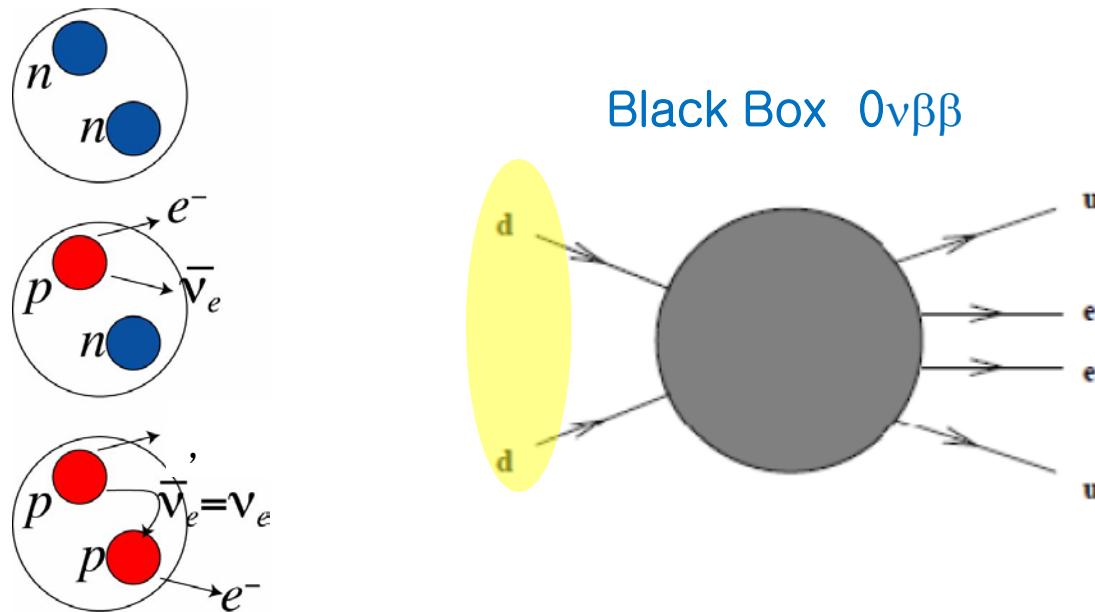
A. Atre et al, JHEP05(2009)030



# 2. Probing Majorana neutrinos

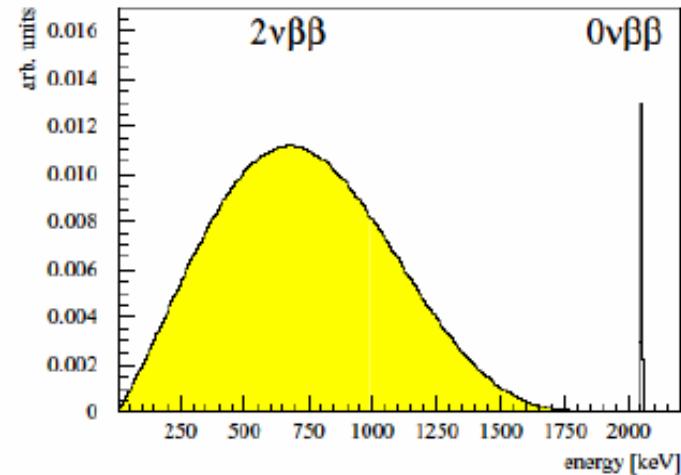
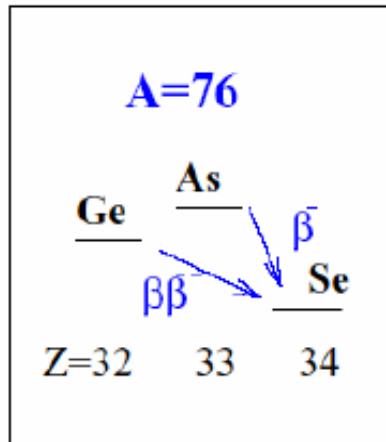
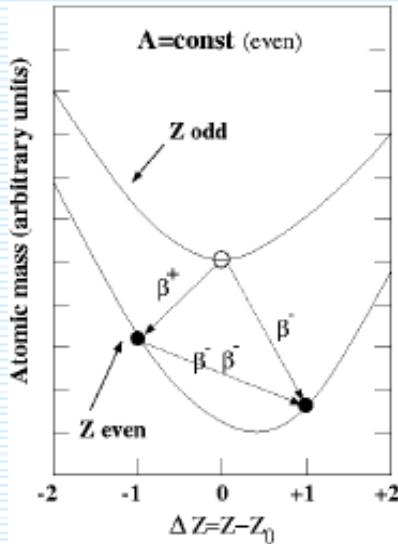
- Lepton number violation by 2 units  $\Delta L = 2$  plays a crucial role to probe the **Majorana** nature of  $\nu$ 's,

## (a) The observation of $0\nu\beta\beta$



- Provides a promising lab. method for determining the absolute neutrino mass scale that is complementary to other measurement techniques

# Double Beta Decay



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

$$(T_{1/2}^{2\nu})^{-1} = G^{2\nu} |M_{GT}^{2\nu}|^2$$

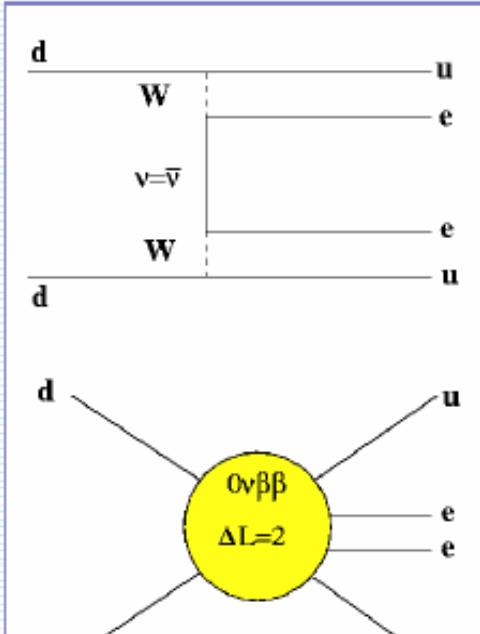
Observed for 10 isotopes:  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{76}\text{Ge}$ ,  $^{82}\text{Se}$ ,  $^{96}\text{Zr}$ ,  $^{100}\text{Mo}$ .

$^{116}\text{Cd}$ ,  $^{128}\text{Te}$ ,  $^{130}\text{Te}$ ,  $^{150}\text{Nd}$ ,  $^{238}\text{U}$ ,  $T_{1/2} \approx 10^{18}\text{-}10^{24}$  years

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

$$(T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} = \eta^{LNV} G^{0\nu} |M^{0\nu}|^2 m_{\beta\beta} = \sum_i U_{ei}^2 m_i$$

SM forbidden, not observed yet:  $T_{1/2}$  ( $^{76}\text{Ge}$ )  $> 10^{25}$  years



- In the limit of small neutrino masses :

the half-life time,  $T_{0\nu}^{1/2}$ , of the  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay can be factorized as :

$$[T_{0\nu}^{1/2}]^{-1} = G^{0\nu}(E_0, Z) |M^{0\nu}|^2 |\langle m_{ee} \rangle|^2$$

$W_L^-$

$U_{ei}$

$\nu_i$

$U_{ek}$

$\int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{m_{\nu_k} + p}{p^2 - m_{\nu_k}^2}$

: Nuclear matrix element

: phase space factor

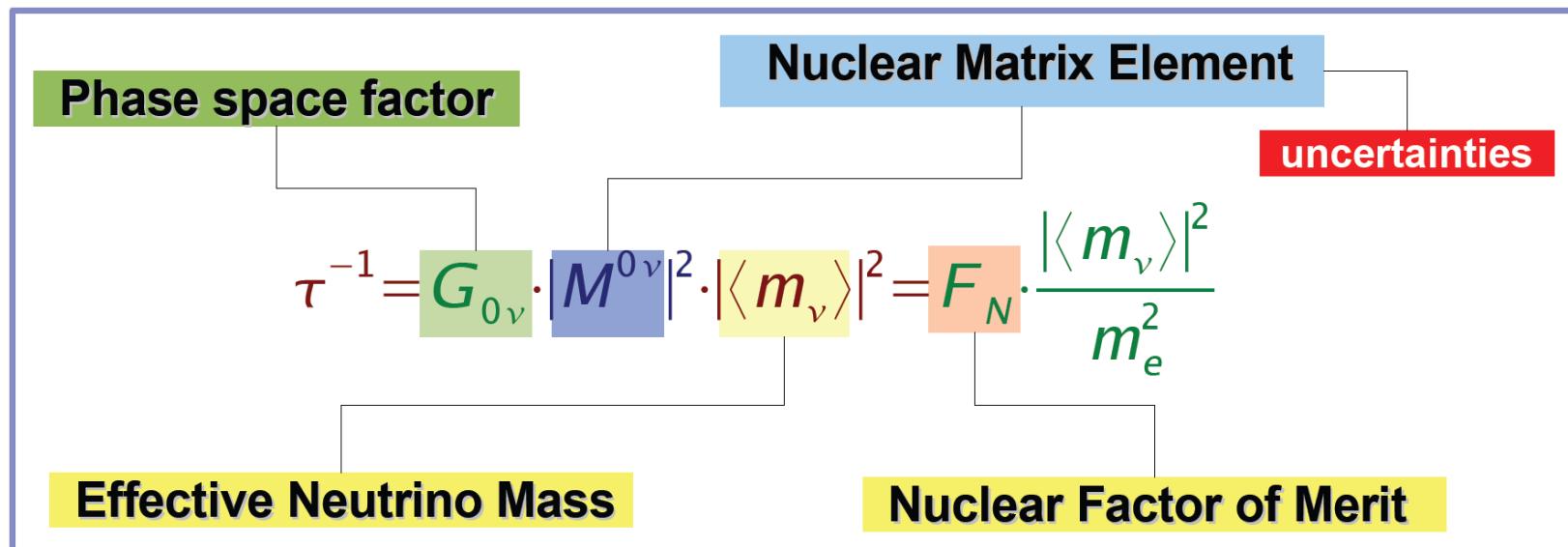
: effective neutrino mass (model independent)

$$\langle m_{ee} \rangle = m_1 U_{e1}^2 + m_2 U_{e2}^2 e^{i\alpha_{21}} + m_3 U_{e3}^2 e^{i\alpha_{31}}$$

→ depends on neutrino mass hierarchy

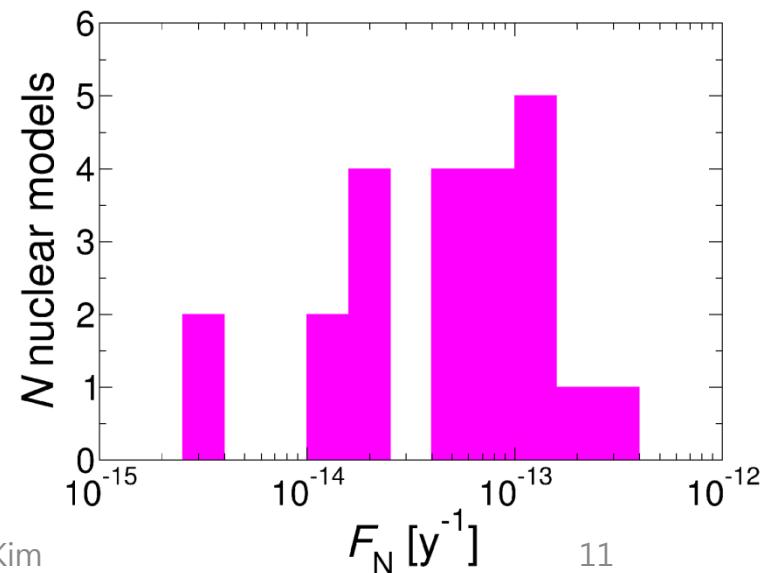
# Uncertainties

(O.Cremonesi, 05)



- Large uncertainties in NME

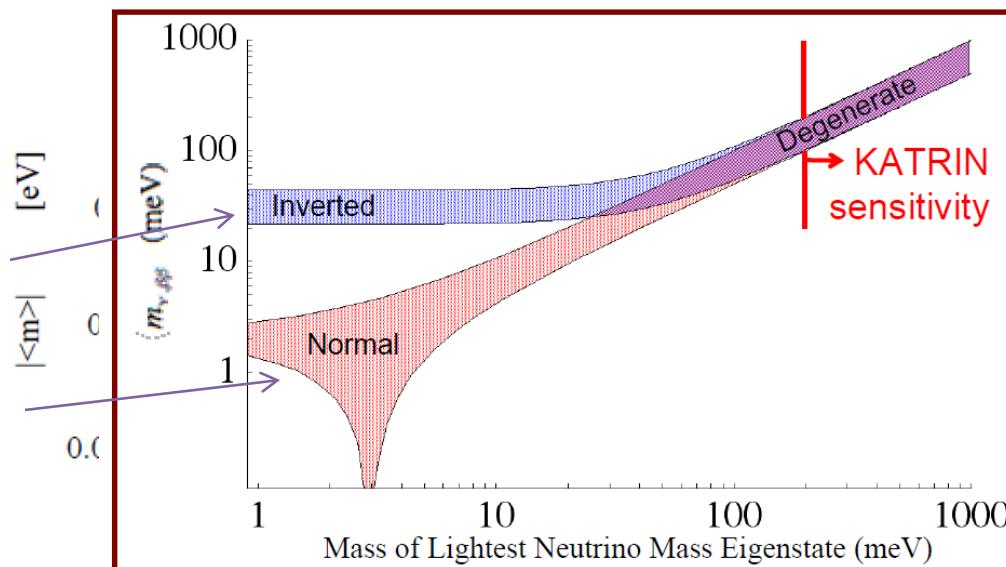
About factor of 100 in NME →  
affect order 2-3 in  $|\langle m_\nu \rangle|$



- Estimate by using the best fit values of parameters including uncertainties in Majorana phases

Long Baseline

Normal hierarchy is  
NOT TESTABLE



Bornschein, *Nucl. Phys. A* **752** (2005) 14c-23c.

➤ Best present bound :

$$\langle m_\nu \rangle \leq 0.35 - 0.50 \text{ eV}$$



$$^{76}Ge \quad \text{Half-life} \quad T_{1/2} > 1.2 \times 10^{25} \text{ ys}$$

consistent with cosmological bound

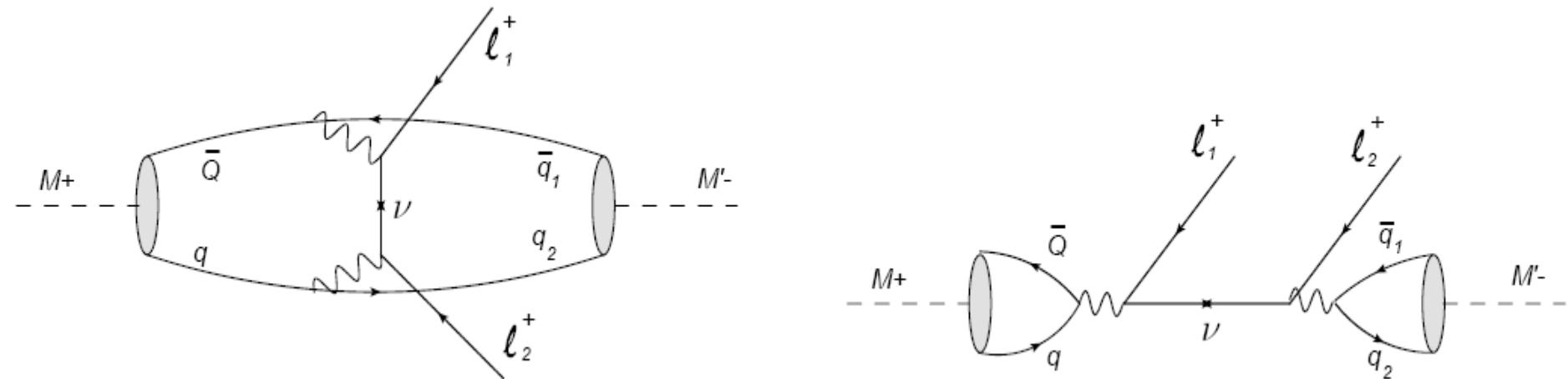
$$\sum m_{\nu_i} \leq 2.0 \text{ eV}$$

## (b) Probe of Majorana neutrinos via rare decays of mesons

(G.Cvetic, C. Dib, S.Kang, C.S.Kim, arXiv:1005.4282 (PRD82,053010,2010))

$$\Delta L = 2 \text{ Processes : } M^+ \rightarrow M'^- l_1^+ l_2^+$$

- Taking mesons in the initial and final state to be pseudoscalar ( $M$  : K, D, Ds, B, Bc /  $M' = \pi, K, D, \dots$ )



- Not involve the uncertainties from nuclear matrix elements in  $0\beta\nu\nu$

Effective Hamiltonian:

$$H_{eff} = -\frac{G_F^2}{2} [C_t O_t^{\mu\nu} + C_s O_s^{\mu\nu}] L_{\mu\nu} \times \left[ \frac{\not{p}_N + m_N}{\not{p}_N^2 - m_N^2 + i m_N \Gamma_N} \right]$$

$$O_t^{\mu\nu} = V_{q_2 q}^* V_{q_1 Q} J_{q_2 q}^\mu J_{q_1 Q}^\nu$$

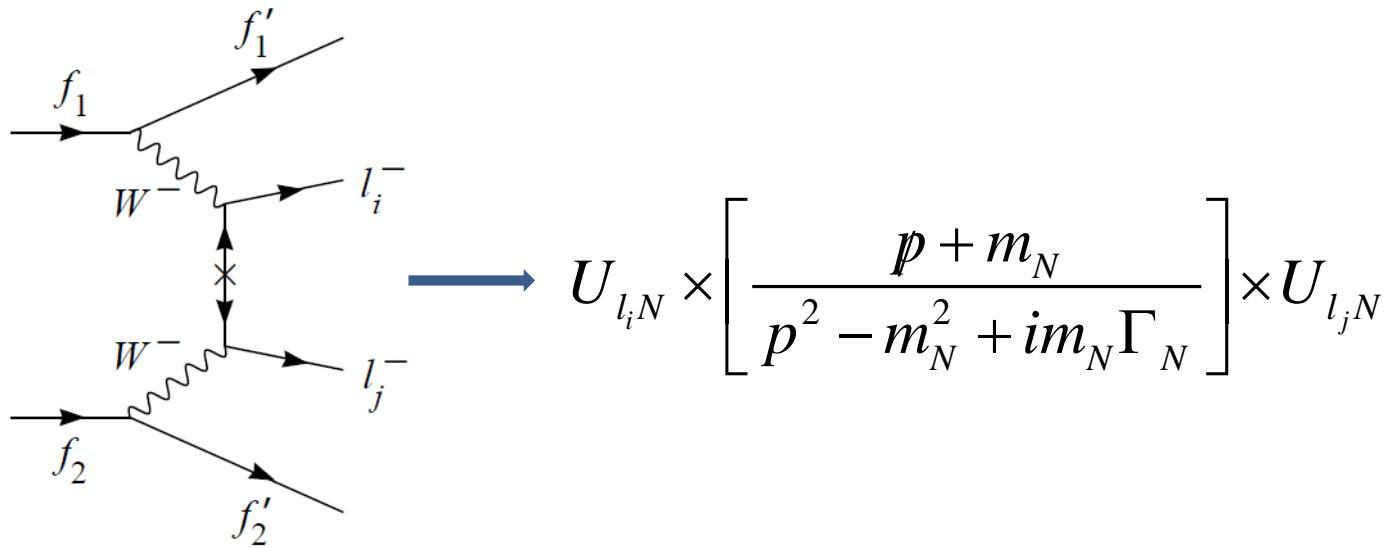
$$O_s^{\mu\nu} = V_{q_2 q_1}^* V_{q Q} J_{q_2 q_1}^\mu J_{q Q}^\nu$$

$$J_{qQ}^\mu = \overline{Q} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q$$

$$L_{\mu\nu} = U_{i\ell}^* U_{i\ell} \lambda_N [\bar{u}_\ell \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu (1 - \gamma_5) v_\ell]$$

Decay Amplitude:

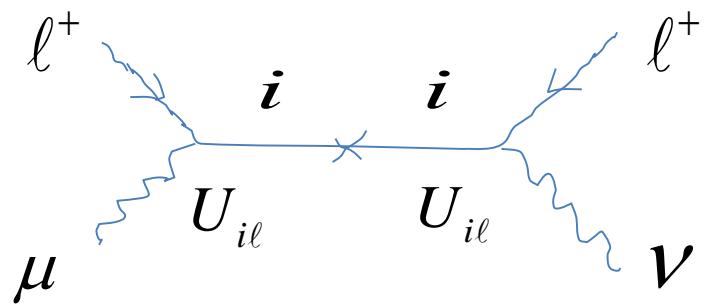
$$A(M^+ \rightarrow M'^- \ell_1^+ \ell_2^+) = \langle M'^- \ell_1^+ \ell_2^+ | H_{eff} | M^+ \rangle$$



- transition rates are proportional to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \langle m \rangle_{l_1 l_2}^2 = \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{l_1 i} U_{l_2 i} m_i \right|^2 & \text{for light } \nu \\ \left| \sum_{i=4}^{3+n} \frac{U_{l_1 i} U_{l_2 i}}{m_i} \right|^2 & \text{for heavy } \nu \\ \frac{\Gamma(N \rightarrow i) \Gamma(N \rightarrow f)}{m_N \Gamma_N} & \text{for resonant } \nu \text{ production} \end{array} \right. \longrightarrow C_t, C_s
 \end{aligned}$$

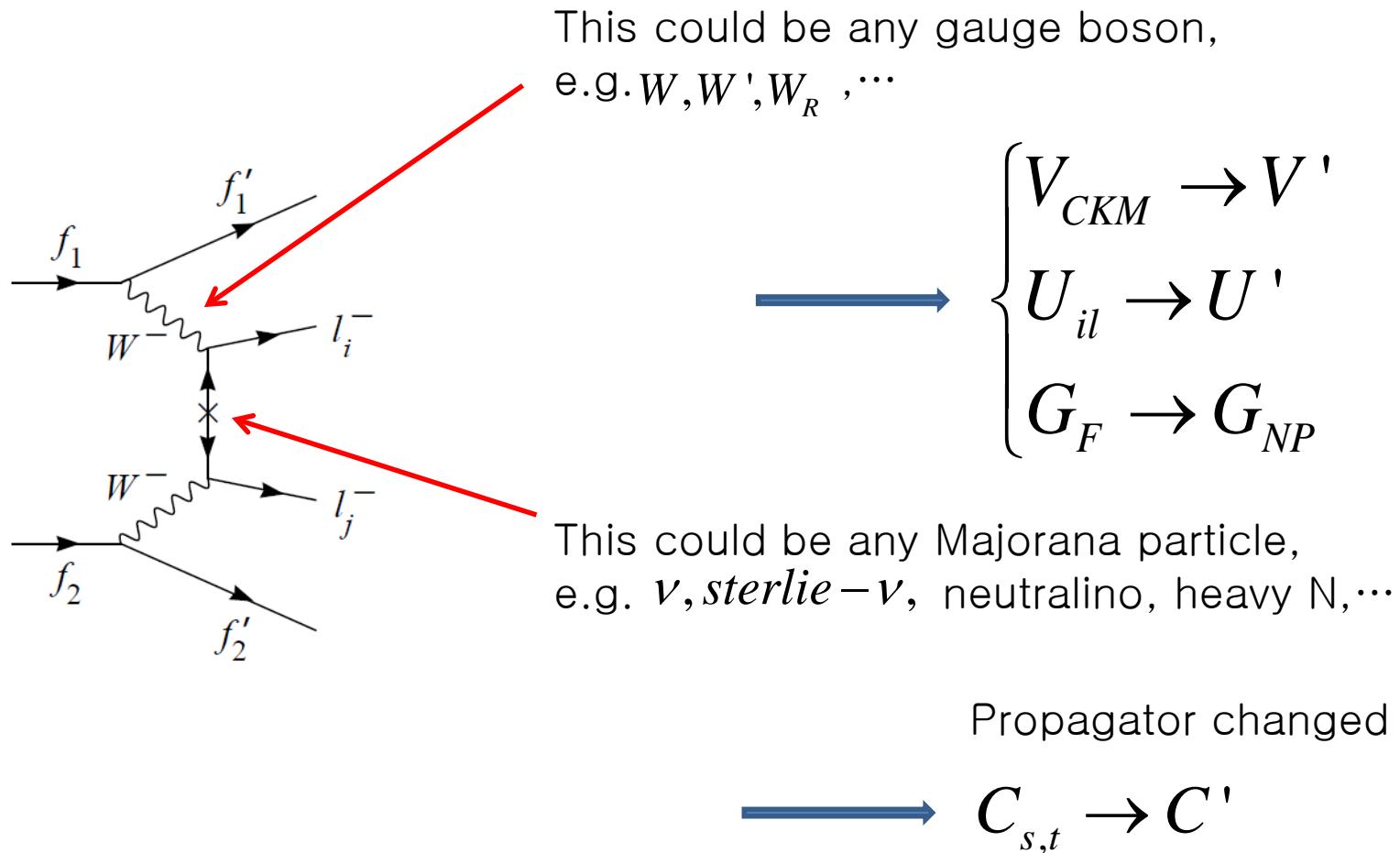
For example, leptonic current :



$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{\mu\nu} &= (U_{i\ell} U_{i\ell}) \times \bar{\nu}_i \gamma_\mu \frac{(1 - \gamma_5)}{2} \nu_\ell \times (\text{---}) \times \bar{\nu}_i \gamma_\nu \frac{(1 - \gamma_5)}{2} \nu_\ell \\
 &= (U_{i\ell}^* U_{i\ell}) \times \bar{u}_\ell \gamma_\mu \frac{(1 + \gamma_5)}{2} \nu_i \times (\text{---}) \times \bar{\nu}_i \gamma_\nu \frac{(1 - \gamma_5)}{2} \nu_\ell \\
 &= \sum_i (U_{i\ell}^* U_{i\ell}) \times \bar{u}_\ell \gamma_\mu \frac{(1 + \gamma_5)}{2} \left( \frac{\cancel{p}_{\nu_i} + m_{\nu_i}}{\cancel{p}_{\nu_i}^2 - m_{\nu_i}^2} \right) \gamma_\nu \frac{(1 - \gamma_5)}{2} \nu_\ell \\
 &= \left( \sum_i U_{i\ell}^* U_{i\ell} \frac{m_{\nu_i}}{\cancel{p}_{\nu_i}^2 - m_{\nu_i}^2} \right) \times \bar{u}_\ell \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \frac{(1 - \gamma_5)}{2} \nu_\ell
 \end{aligned}$$

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# Model Independence of Effective Theory approach



## Intermediate mass scale neutrino case

$$m_{M'^-} \leq m_{\nu_i} \leq m_{M^+}$$

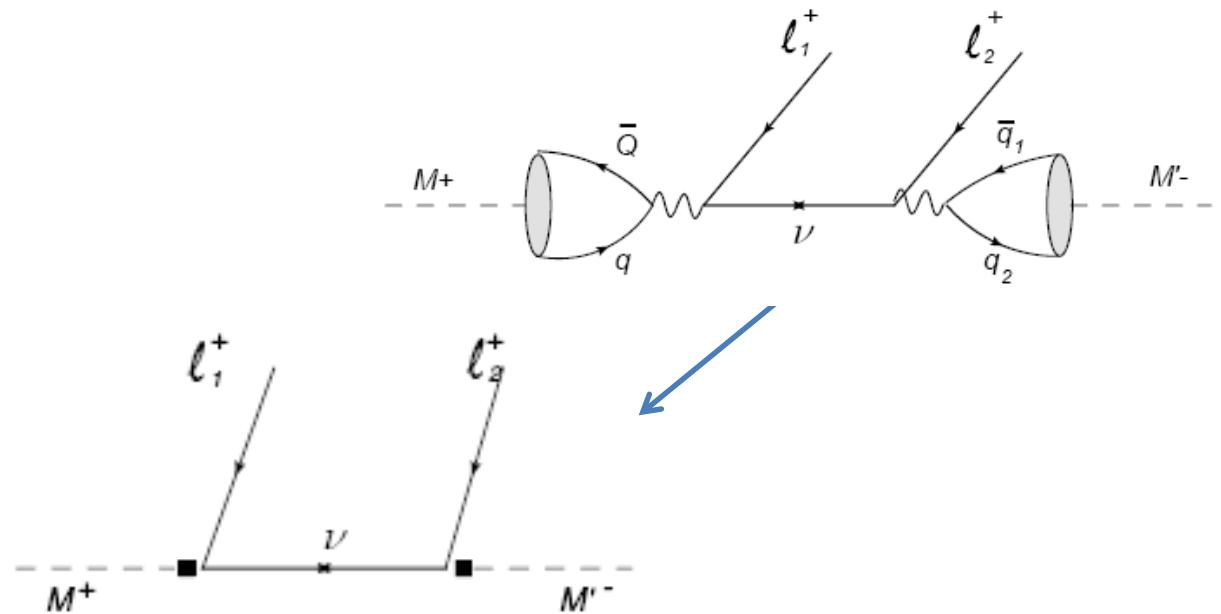


FIG. 3: The dominating diagram (plus diagram with leptons exchanged if they are identical) in an effective meson theory for  $M^+ \rightarrow M'^- \ell^+ \ell^+$ , mediated by Majorana neutrinos with mass in the range between  $m_{M'}$  and  $m_M$ .

- dominant contribution to the process is from the “s-type” diagram because the neutrino propagator is kinematically entirely on-shell

Effective amplitude at meson level:

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{G_F^2}{2} U_{N\ell}^{*2} V_{qQ}^* V_{q_2 q_1}^* f_M f_{M'} \frac{\tilde{M}}{(p_N^2 - m_N^2) + i m_N \Gamma_N}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{M}} = \lambda_N \bar{u}_{\bar{\ell}}(l_1) \not{p}_M (1 + \gamma_5) (\not{p}_N + m_N) \not{p}_{M'} (1 - \gamma_5) v(l_2)$$

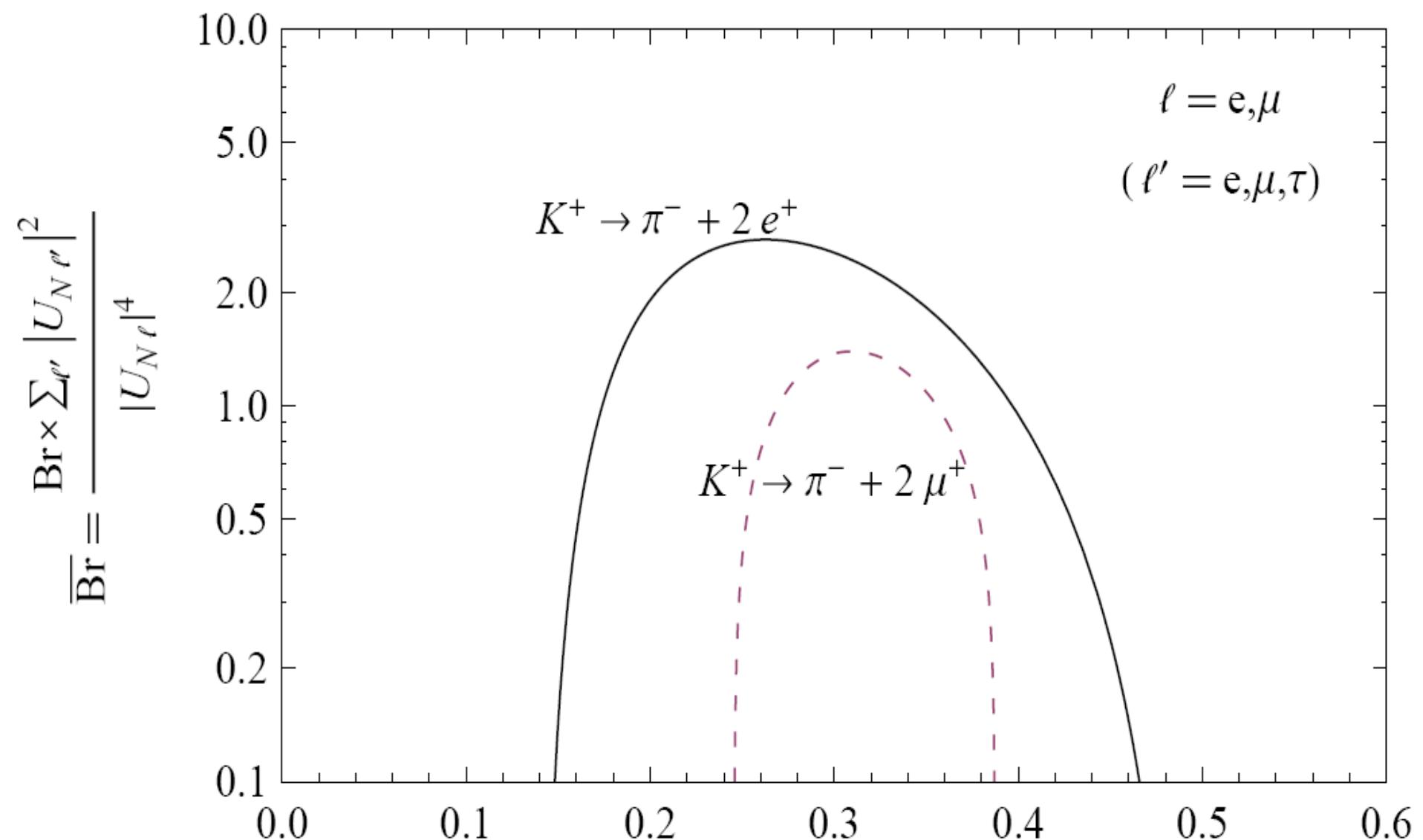
$$|\tilde{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = 32 m_N^2 \left\{ (m_N^2 - m_\ell^2)^2 (l_1 \cdot l_2) + m_\ell^2 ((m_N^2 - m_\ell^2)^2 - m_M^2 m_{M'}^2) \right\}$$

$$\frac{1}{(p_N^2 - m_N^2)^2 + m_N^2 \Gamma_N^2} \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{m_N \Gamma_N} \delta(p_N^2 - m_N^2). \quad \Gamma_N \approx 2 \sum_{\ell'} |U_{N\ell'}|^2 \left( \frac{m_N}{m_\tau} \right)^5 \times \Gamma_\tau$$

$$\int d\text{ps}_3 = \int \frac{dp_N^2}{2\pi} \int d\text{ps}_{(M \rightarrow l_1 N)} \int d\text{ps}_{(N \rightarrow l_2 M')}$$

If we neglect charged lepton masses;

$$\Gamma(M \rightarrow M' \ell^+ \ell^+) \approx \frac{1}{128\pi^2} G_F^4 f_M^2 f_{M'}^2 |V_{qQ} V_{q_2 q_1}|^2 \frac{|U_{N\ell}|^4}{\sum_{\ell'} |U_{N\ell'}|^2} \frac{m_M m_\tau^5}{2\Gamma_\tau} \left(1 - \frac{m_{M'}^2}{m_N^2}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_N^2}{m_M^2}\right)^2.$$



Br for  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \ell^+ \ell^+(\ell = e, \mu)$  as function of mN, with lepton mixings

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divided out

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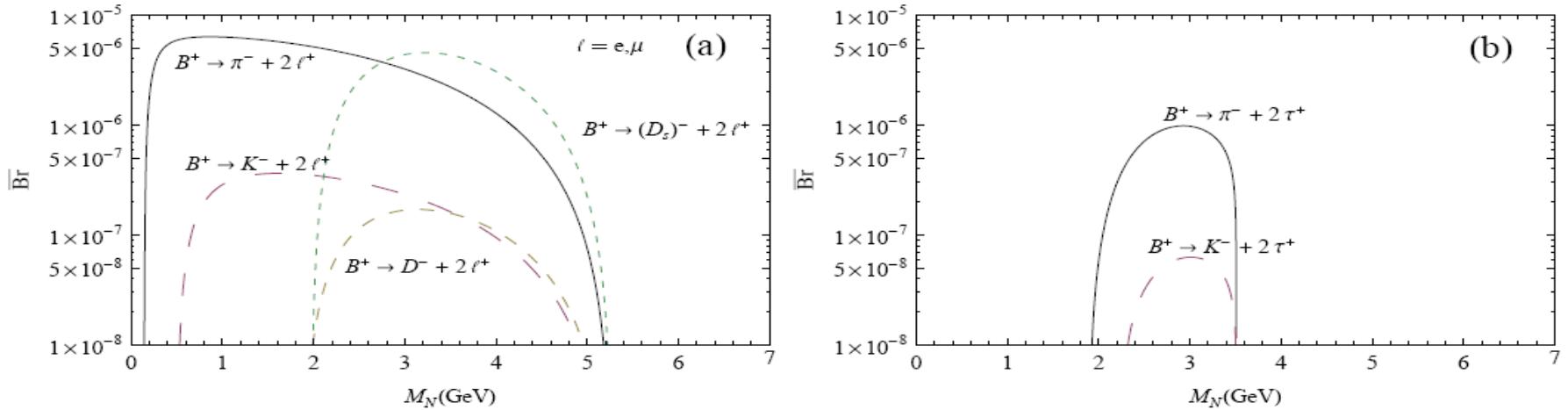


FIG. 6: Branching ratios for  $B^+ \rightarrow M'^- \ell^+ \ell^+$  as functions of the neutrino mass  $m_N$ , with the lepton mixing factor divided out as in Fig. 4. The produced pseudoscalars are  $M' = \pi, K, D, D_s$ . (a) The case of leptons with negligible mass ( $\ell = e, \mu$ ); (b) the case  $\ell = \tau$  (here  $M' = D, D_s$  are kinematically forbidden).

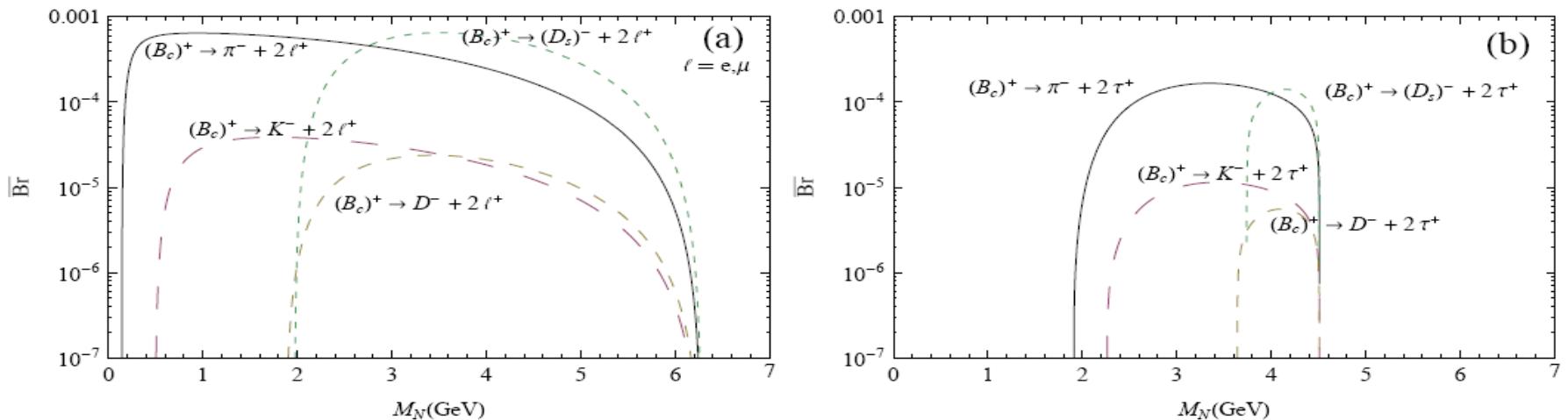
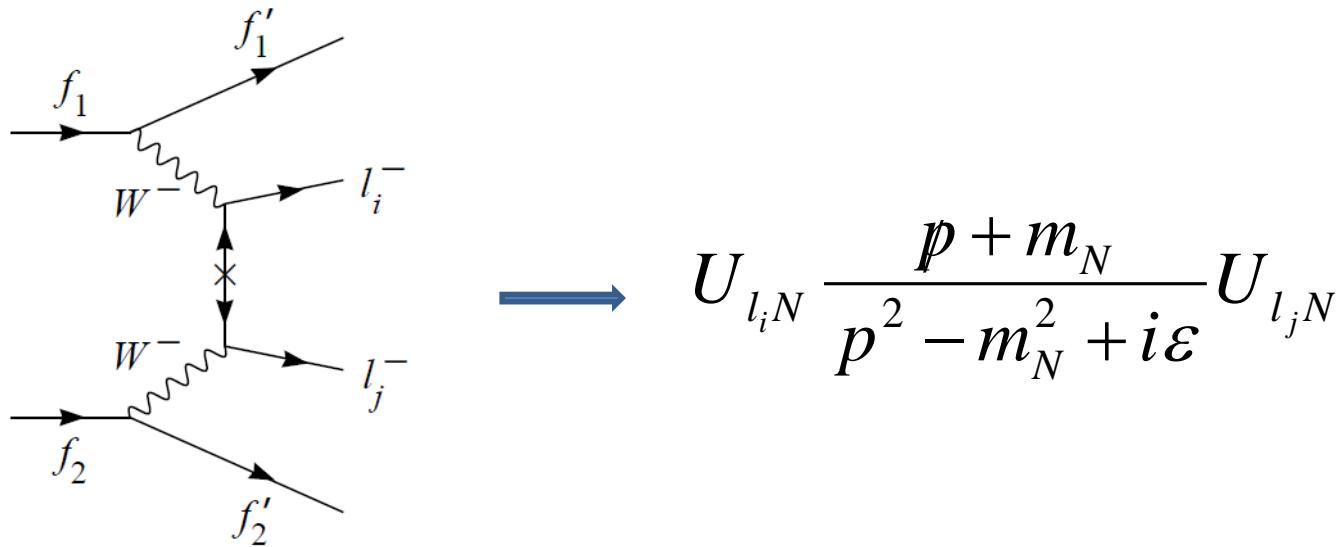


FIG. 7: Branching ratios for  $B_c^+ \rightarrow M'^- \ell^+ \ell^+$  as functions of the neutrino mass  $m_N$ , with the lepton mixing factor divided out as in Fig. 4. The produced pseudoscalars are  $M' = \pi, K, D, D_s$ . (a) The case of leptons with negligible mass ( $\ell = e, \mu$ ); (b) the case  $\ell = \tau$ .

## (c) Probing Majorana Neutrinos at LHC

- In accelerator-based experiments, neutrinos in the final state are undetectable by the detectors, leading to the "missing energy".  
So it is desirable to look for charged leptons in the final state.
- It is **hard to avoid** the TeV-scale physics to contribute to **flavor-changing effects** in general whatever it is,
  - SUSY, extra dimensions, TeV seesaw, technicolor, Higgsless, little Higgs

# Basic process we consider



- transition rates are proportional to

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ll} \left\langle m \right\rangle_{l_1 l_2}^2 = \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{l_1 i} U_{l_2 i} m_i \right|^2 & \text{for light } \nu \\ \left| \sum_{i=4}^{3+n} \frac{U_{l_1 i} U_{l_2 i}}{m_i} \right|^2 & \text{for heavy } \nu \\ \frac{\Gamma(N \rightarrow i) \Gamma(N \rightarrow f)}{m_N \Gamma_N} & \text{for resonant } N \text{ production} \end{array} \right.$$

# Testability at the LHC

- Two necessary conditions to test at the LHC:
  - Masses of heavy Majorana  $\nu$ 's must be less than TeV
  - Light-heavy neutrino mixing (i.e.,  $M_D/M_R$ ) must be large enough.

$$\Delta(D - M) \propto m / E \Rightarrow m \approx O(100GeV - 1TeV)$$

- LHC signatures of heavy Majorana  $\nu$ 's are essentially decoupled from masses and mixing parameters of light Majorana  $\nu$ 's.
- Non-unitarity of the light neutrino flavor mixing matrix might lead to observable effects.

- Nontrivial limits on heavy Majorana neutrinos can be derived at the LHC, if the SM backgrounds are small for a specific final state.

$\Delta L = 2$  like-sign dilepton events

$$pp \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm jj \text{ and } pp \rightarrow W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm N \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm jj$$

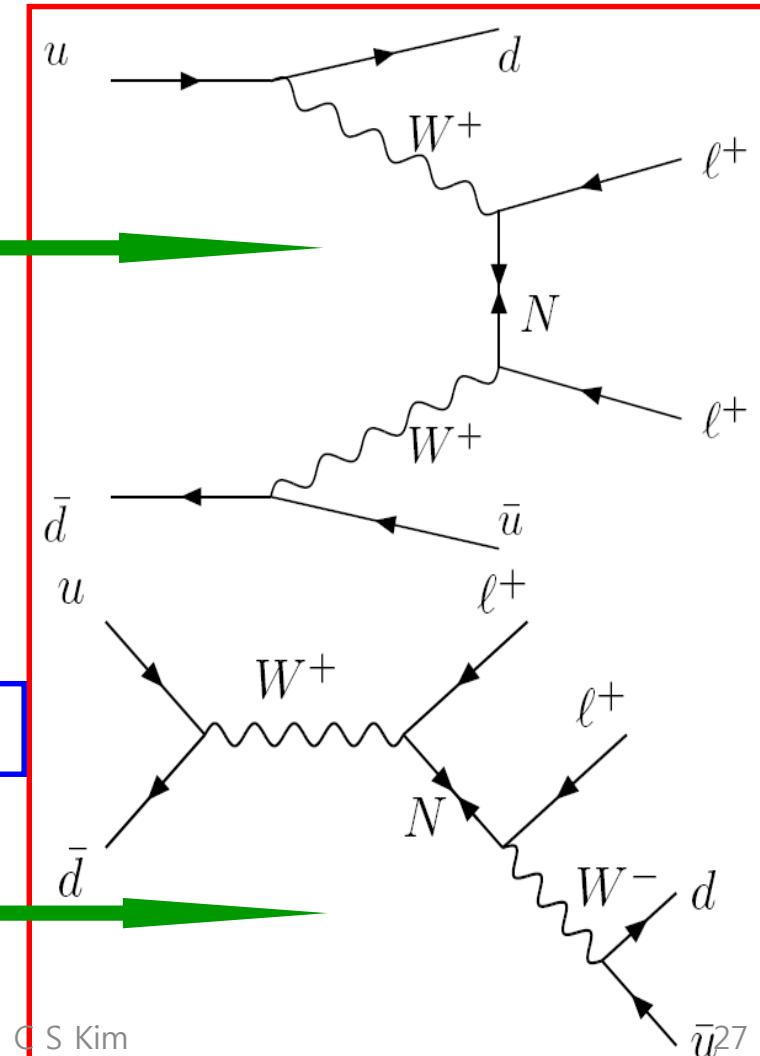
# Collider Signature

Lepton number violation: like-sign dilepton events at hadron colliders, such as Tevatron ( $\sim 2$  TeV) and LHC ( $\sim 14$  TeV).

collider analogue to  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay

dominant channel

$N$  can be produced on resonance



# Some Results

- Cross sections are generally smaller for larger masses of heavy Majorana neutrinos. [ Han, Zhang (hep-ph/0904064) ]
- Signal & background cross sections (in fb) as a function of the heavy Majorana neutrino mass (in GeV) :  
[ Del Aguila *et al* (hep-ph/0906198) ]

\*Background could be much larger by soft-piling up !!

$m_N$	Tevatron		LHC	
	$\mu^\pm\mu^\pm jj$ signal	$W^\pm W^\pm W^\mp$ background	$\mu^\pm\mu^\pm jj$ signal	$W^\pm W^\pm W^\mp$ background
100	0.40	0.0001	2.0	0.0012
200	0.071	0.0004	0.48	0.0044
300	0.014	0.0001	0.16	0.0023
400	0.0032	0.00005	0.068	0.0012
500	0.0008	0.00001	0.034	0.0007

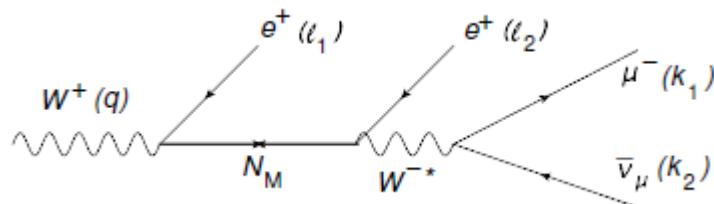
# 3. Discovery of light sterile N at LHC

C Dib, CS Kim, arXiv:1509.05981 (PRD(2015))

- In previous works for LHC,  $m_N \geq m_W$  covered.
  - Is a way to cover  $m_N \leq m_W$  ?
  - Cosmology & astrophysics motivate strongly  $m_N \approx 0.1 \leftrightarrow 50$  GeV.
  - How about on-shell W leptonic decays?  $W^+ \rightarrow l^+ l^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$
- Possible problems
  - Large radiative decays,  $W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu + \gamma^* (\rightarrow e^+ e^-)$   
→ we choose  $\mu^-$  from W+ decay (no radiative bg)
  - Final neutrino flavor not observed  
→  $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$  or  $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \nu_e$   
→ LNV (Majorana N) or LNC-LFV (Maj./Dirac N)

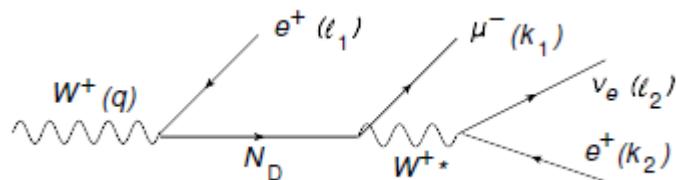
$$W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu \quad \text{VS} \quad W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \nu_e$$

- two competing processes (for  $m_\mu \leq m_N \leq m_W$  ) :



$$W^+ \rightarrow e^+ N (\rightarrow e^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu)$$

→ LNV (only Majorana neutrino N)



$$W^+ \rightarrow e^+ N (\rightarrow \mu^- e^+ \nu_e)$$

→ LNC but LFV (Majorana or Dirac neutrino N)

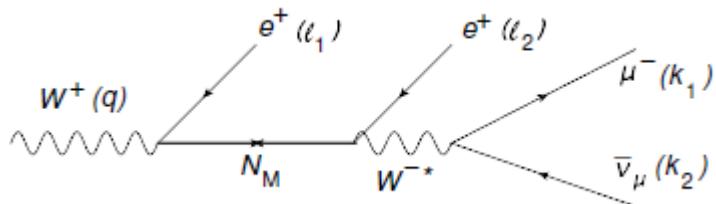
\*\* We cannot identify the final neutrino flavor,

$\bar{\nu}_\mu$  or  $\nu_e$

## Comments:

1. Same processes  $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$ ,  $W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$ ,  
and their C.C. (as long as no + - for the same flavor)
2. Comparison of  $W^+ \rightarrow l^+ l^+ l^- \nu$  vs.  $W^+ \rightarrow l^+ l^+ jj$ 
  - need well isolated energetic 2 jets (same for  $pp \rightarrow l^+ l^+ jj$ )  
(otherwise large background from WW, instead of WWW)
  - $\rightarrow m(N) > \sim m(W)$  for  $W \rightarrow l l jj$   
 $\rightarrow m(N) < m(W)$  for  $W \rightarrow l l l \nu$
3. arXiv:1504.02470 considered only  $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$ ,  
not  $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_e$  (flavor of final nu unidentifiable)
4. Reconstruction of on-shell W at LHC (hadronic colliders)  
 $W^+ \rightarrow l^+ l^+ l^- \nu$  or  $W^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu$  for  $m(\nu) \sim 0$   
reconstructible event-by-event by using  $p(l)$  and  $m_T$ .

# LNV, Pure Majorana, Process: $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu$



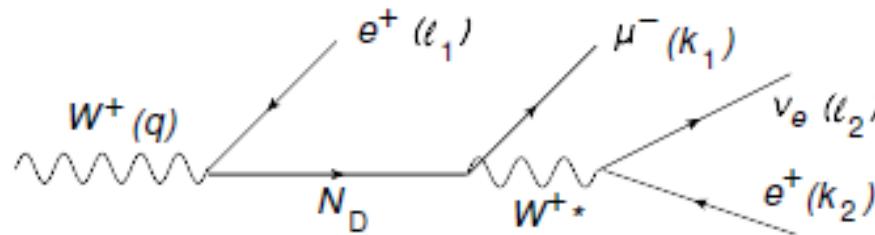
$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = 256 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} G_F^3 M_W^2 |U_{Ne}|^4 \frac{1}{(k_N^2 - m_N^2)^2 + m_N^2 \Gamma_N^2} m_N^2 (k_2 \cdot \ell_2) \left\{ (k_1 \cdot \ell_1) + \frac{2}{M_W^2} (q \cdot k_1)(q \cdot \ell_1) \right\}$$

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$$\approx 4.8 \times 10^{-3} \frac{|U_{Ne}|^4}{\sum_{\ell=e,\mu,\tau} |U_{N\ell}|^2} \left(1 - \frac{m_N^2}{M_W^2}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_N^2}{2M_W^2}\right).$$

# LNC but LFV, Pure Dirac, Process: $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \nu_e$



$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = 256 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} G_F^3 M_W^2 |U_{Ne} U_{N\mu}|^2 \times \frac{1}{(k_N^2 - m_N^2)^2 + m_N^2 \Gamma_N^2} \\ \times (k_1 \cdot \ell_2) \left\{ 2(k \cdot k_2) \left[ (k \cdot \ell_1) + \frac{2}{M_W^2} (q \cdot k)(q \cdot \ell_1) \right] - m_N^2 \left[ (k_2 \cdot \ell_1) + \frac{2}{M_W^2} (q \cdot k_2)(q \cdot \ell_1) \right] \right\}$$

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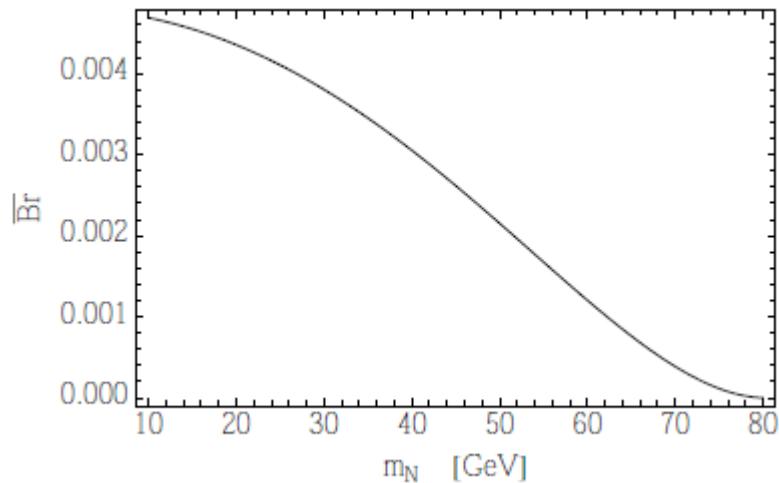
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# Numerical studies and discussions

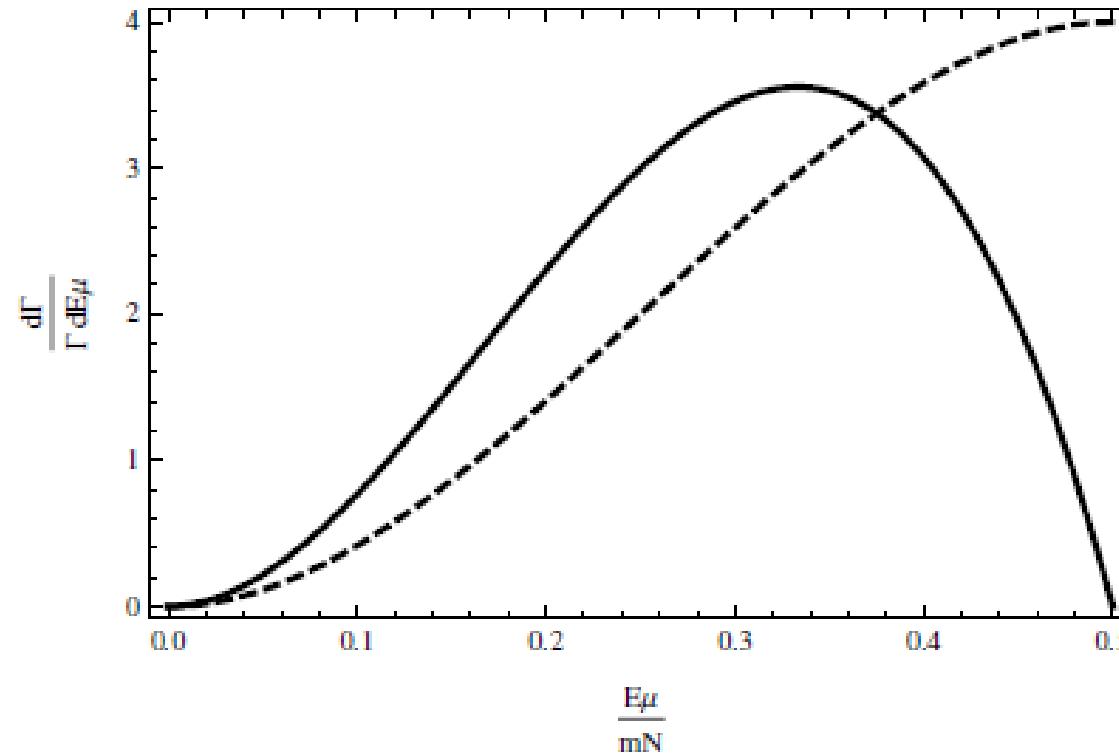
(A) branching ratios:

reduced BR for  $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \nu$



$Br = \overline{Br} \times |U_{Ne}|^4 / (\sum_\ell |U_{N\ell}|^2)$  and  $Br = \overline{Br} \times |U_{Ne} U_{N\mu}|^2 / (\sum_\ell |U_{N\ell}|^2)$ , respectively.

(B) **Spectrum analysis** to separate Majorana from Dirac neutrino:



Normalized muon energy spectrum,  $(1/\Gamma)d\Gamma/dE_\mu$

$$\left( \frac{1}{\Gamma_{LNV} + \Gamma_{LNC}} \right) \frac{d\Gamma}{d\varepsilon_\mu} = \frac{1}{|U_{Ne}|^2 + |U_{N\mu}|^2} \left\{ |U_{Ne}|^2 (\varepsilon_\mu^2 - 2\varepsilon_\mu^3) + |U_{N\mu}|^2 \left( \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_\mu^2 - \frac{2}{3}\varepsilon_\mu^3 \right) \right\}$$

where  $\varepsilon_\mu = E_\mu/m_N$  is the normalised muon energy in the  $N$  rest frame.

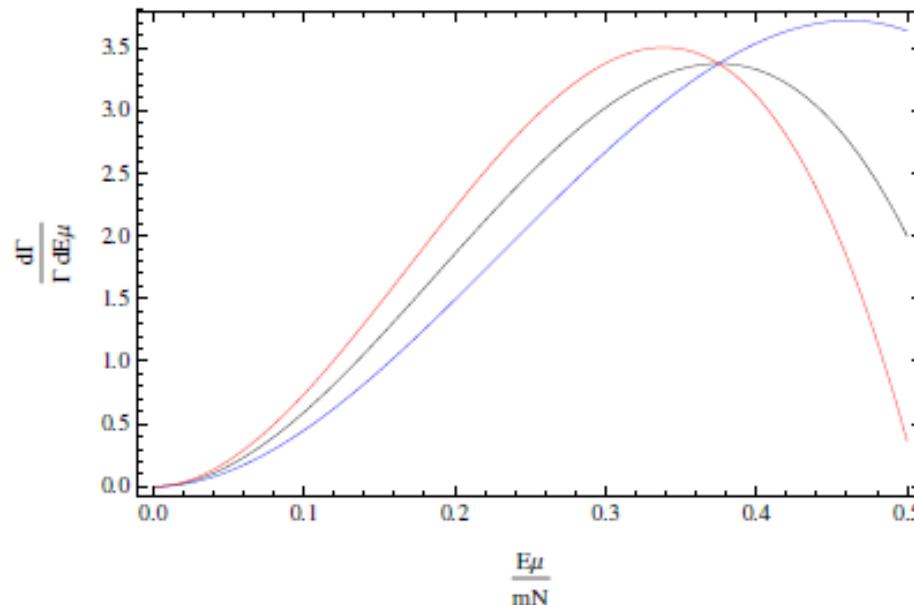


Figure 5. Normalized muon energy spectrum for the signal + background  $d\Gamma/dE_\mu(W^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu) + d\Gamma/dE_\mu(W^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+\mu^-\nu_e)$ , normalised by the sum of the two rates. The two rates are proportional to  $|U_{Ne}|^2$  and  $|U_{N\mu}|^2$ , respectively. The curves correspond to  $|U_{Ne}|^2/|U_{N\mu}|^2 = 10^{-1}, 1$ , and  $10$  (blue, black and red lines, respectively).

# 4. Summary and Conclusions

- Knowing that neutrinos are Dirac or Majorana is THE MOST important to go beyond the SM.
- We have discussed a new way to probe Majorana neutrinos with much less uncertainty for mass ranges of  $m_\mu \leq m_N \leq m_W$  , from the rare leptonic decay of on-shell  $W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \nu$
- We investigated  $\text{Br}(W^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ \mu^- \nu)$  as well as the energy spectrum of the decays to separate the Majorana neutrino from Dirac one.

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