

Multimessenger Probes of Heavy Neutrinos

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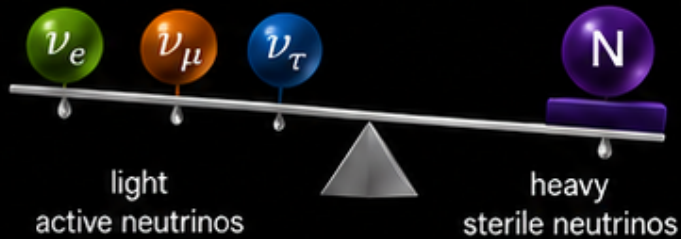
Heavy Neutrinos: Connecting the Very Small to the Very Large

Neutrino Masses

The Standard Model cannot explain why neutrinos are so light

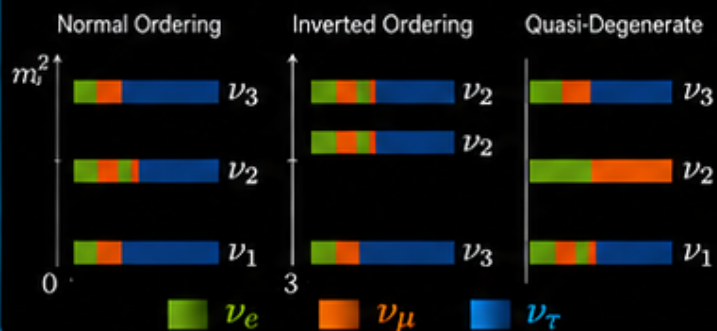
$$m_\nu \simeq -m_D M_N^{-1} m_D^T$$

(Seesaw Mechanism)



Observed Neutrino Properties

- ✓ Tiny masses: $m_\nu \lesssim 0.1$ eV
- ✓ Neutrino oscillations
- ✓ Large mixing angles

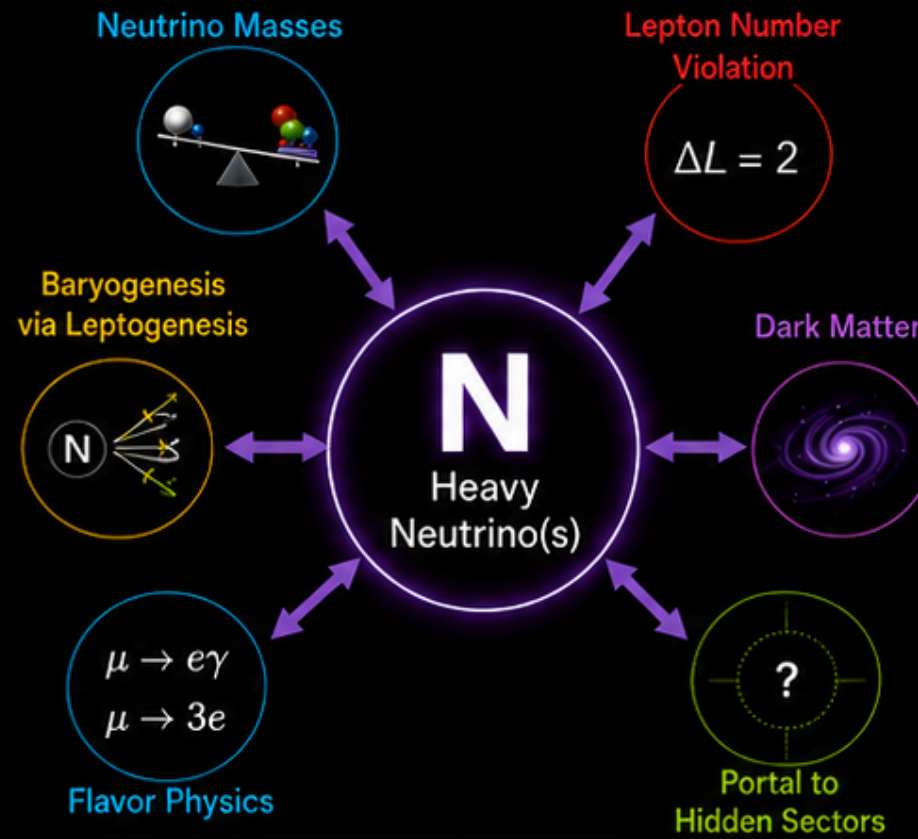


Why Heavy Neutrinos?

- Natural in many theories (Seesaw, GUT, Left-Right, ...)
- Right-handed neutrinos are gauge singlets
- Can have masses from eV to near the GUT scale
- Mix with active neutrinos via $V_{\ell N}$

A Common Thread

Heavy neutrinos can address fundamental questions across scales

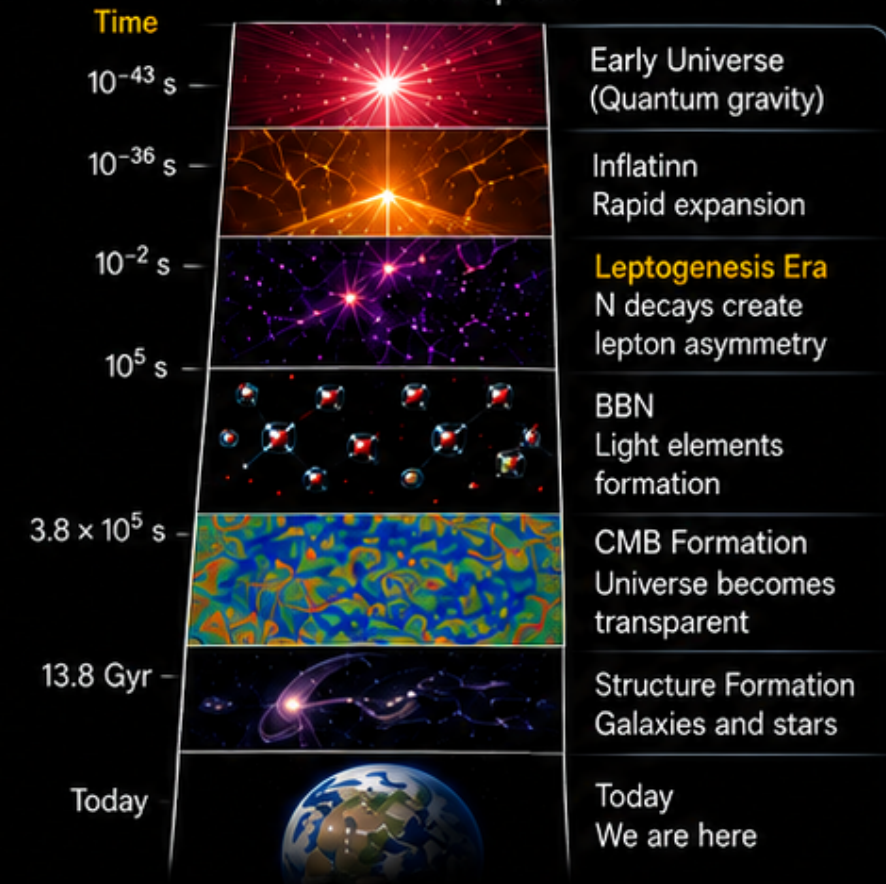


Key Parameters

- Mass: M_N (eV – GUT scale)
- Mixings: $V_{\ell N}$ with $\ell = e, \mu, \tau$
- Nature: Majorana or pseudo-Dirac
- Lifetime: can be prompt, displaced, or cosmological

Cosmic Evolution

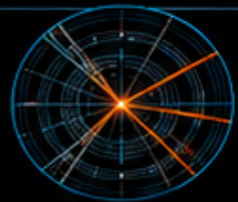
Heavy neutrinos leave imprints at different epochs



Cosmological & Astrophysical Imprints

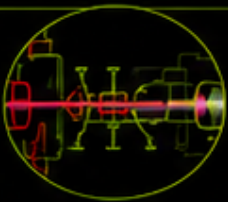
- Generate baryon asymmetry (Leptogenesis)
- Affect Big Bang Nucleosynthesis (BBN)
- Leave signatures in the CMB
- Influence supernova dynamics and neutrino signal
- Possible dark matter candidates or portals

Multimessenger Probes of Heavy Neutrinos



Colliders

(LHC, FCC, ...)
Direct production,
prompt & displaced
signatures



Fixed Target / Beam Dumps

(SHiP, FASER2,
NA62, ...)
Meson decays
→ HNLs



Neutrino Experiments

(DUNE, Hyper-K,
IceCube, ...)
Indirect probes



0νββ Decay

(GERDA, LEGEND,
nEXO, ...)
Majorana nature



Cosmology

(CMB, LSS, BBN, ...)
Early Universe



Astrophysics

(Supernovae,
DSNB, ...)
Stellar & SN signals

Heavy neutrinos provide a unifying framework linking the microcosm of particle physics to the macrocosm of the Universe.

A multimessenger approach is essential to uncover their nature.

$$m_\nu \neq 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{NP}$$

(1). No right handed neutrino ν_R

No Dirac mass term $\mathcal{L}_\nu = Y_\nu \bar{L} \tilde{\Phi} \nu_R + \text{h.c.}$

(2). Majorana mass with only ν_L :

$$\mathcal{L}_\nu = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\nu}_L M \nu_L^c + \text{h.c.} \quad \text{not gauge invariant}$$

No RHNs + only doublet: neutrinos are massless, with distinguished by separate lepton numbers

$$\nu_e, \quad \nu_\mu, \quad \nu_\tau \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad L_e, \quad L_\mu, \quad L_\tau$$

Neutrino mass can only be generated by relaxing (1) or (2): need to extend the SM

Dirac neutrinos ? Add gauge singlet RHNs ν_R : $-\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}}^{\text{leptons}} = \bar{L} Y_\ell \Phi e_R + \bar{L} Y_\nu \tilde{\Phi} \nu_R + \text{h.c.}$

After EWSB: $\longrightarrow$

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}}^{\text{leptons}} = m_\ell \bar{\ell}_L \ell_R + m_\nu \bar{\nu}_L \nu_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$m_\ell \sim Y_\ell v_\phi, \quad m_\nu \sim Y_\nu v_\Phi$$

Charged lepton
mass

Dirac neutrino
mass

Neutrinos are Dirac

The hierarchy problem:

$$\frac{Y_\nu}{Y_e} = \frac{m_\nu}{m_e} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{0.1 \text{ eV}}{0.5 \times 10^6 \text{ eV}} \leq \sim 10^{-6} \quad \Rightarrow \quad Y_\nu \sim 10^{-12}$$

which is ridiculously small number without explanation

Type I seesaw

$$\mathcal{L} = Y_N \bar{L} \tilde{\Phi} N_R + \frac{1}{2} \bar{N}_R^c M_R N_R + \text{h.c.}$$

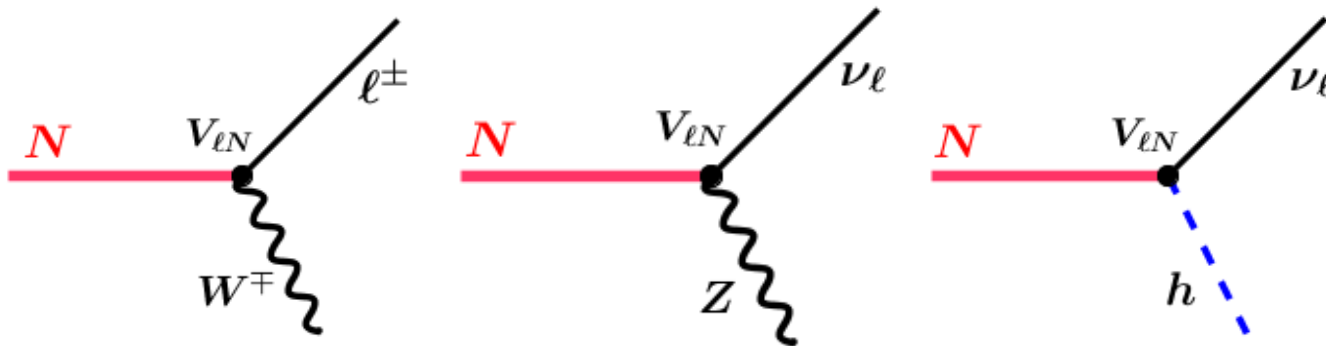
Schechter, Valle 80; Minkowski 77; Yanagida 79; Glashow 79; Gell-Mann, Ramond, Slansky 79; Mohapatra, Senjanovic 79;

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\nu}_L & \bar{N}_R^c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D \\ m_D^T & M_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L^c \\ N_R \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.}$$

seesaw($M_R \gg m_D$): $m_\nu \approx m_D M_R^{-1} m_D^T$
Flavor mixing: $\nu_\ell \approx U_{\ell m} \nu_m + V_{\ell N} N$

$$m_D \sim Y_N v_\Phi \quad V_{\ell N} \approx m_D M_R^{-1} \ll 1$$

New interactions:



out of reach at colliders

$$\text{Production XS} \propto |V_{\ell N}|^2$$

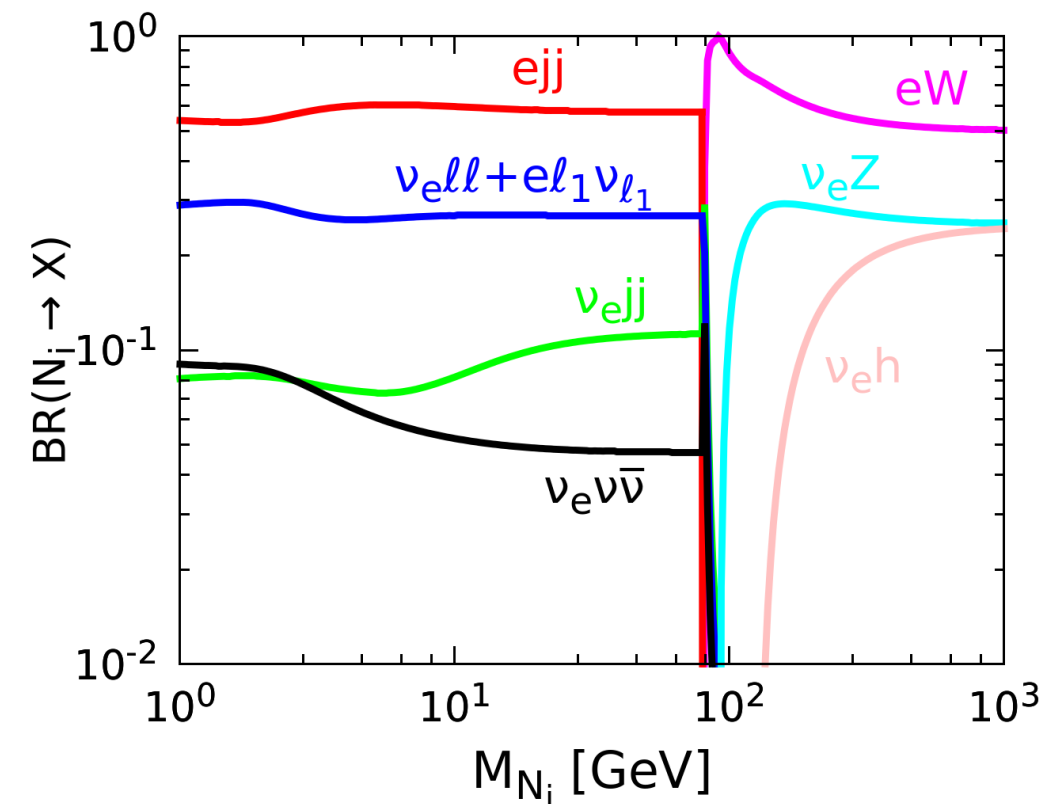
To get $m_\nu = 0.1$ eV requires either $M_R \sim 10^{14}$ GeV or very small Yukawa $Y_N \sim 10^{-6}$ for $M_R \sim 1$ TeV

Classical seesaw is fine but **boring!**

Casas, Ibarra: $Y_N \approx \frac{\sqrt{2}}{v_\Phi} U_{\text{lep}}^\dagger \sqrt{m_\nu^{\text{diag}}} R \sqrt{M_R}$ with $R^T R = 1$

If we want **large mixings** at accessible collider scales, e.g. $M_N \sim 1$ TeV, then some entries in **R** must be **large or highly complex**, leading to cancellations in mass matrix

Tuning can be reduced in inverse/linear/radiative seesaw



Inverse seesaw:

Field content: add N_R and S_R $L[N_R] = 1, L[S_R] = -1$

$$\mathcal{L} = Y_N \bar{L} \tilde{\Phi} N_R + \bar{N}_R^c M_R S_R + \frac{1}{2} \bar{S}_R^c \mu_S S_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = (\bar{\nu}_L \quad \bar{N}_R^c \quad \bar{S}_R^c) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D & 0 \\ m_D^T & 0 & M_R \\ 0 & M_R^T & \mu_S \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L^c \\ N_R \\ S_R \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.}$$

$M_R \gg m_D \gg \mu_S$:

$$m_\nu \simeq m_D (M_R^T)^{-1} \mu_S M_R^{-1} m_D^T$$

$$V_{\ell N} \sim m_D M_R^{-1}$$

Linear seesaw:

Field content: add N_R and S_R $L[N_R] = 1, L[S_R] = -1$

$$\mathcal{L} = Y_N \bar{L} \tilde{\Phi} N_R + Y_S \bar{L} \tilde{\Phi} S_R + \bar{N}_R^c M_R S_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = (\bar{\nu}_L \quad \bar{N}_R^c \quad \bar{S}_R^c) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D & M_L \\ m_D^T & 0 & M_R \\ M_L^T & M_R^T & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L^c \\ N_R \\ S_R \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$M_L \sim Y_S \nu_\Phi$$

$M_R \gg m_D \gg M_L$:

$$m_\nu \simeq M_L M_R^{-1} m_D^T + m_D (M_R^T)^{-1} M_L^T$$

$$V_{\ell N} \sim m_D M_R^{-1}$$

Lowscale seesaw: soft LNV (μ_S or $M_L \rightarrow 0$) $\Rightarrow$ **small neutrino mass** + **sizable mixing**

Pair of quasi-Dirac heavy neutrinos:

$$M_{N_1} = -M_R + \frac{\Delta M}{2}, \quad M_{N_2} = M_R + \frac{\Delta M}{2}, \quad \text{with } \Delta M \sim \mu_S \text{ or } M_L$$

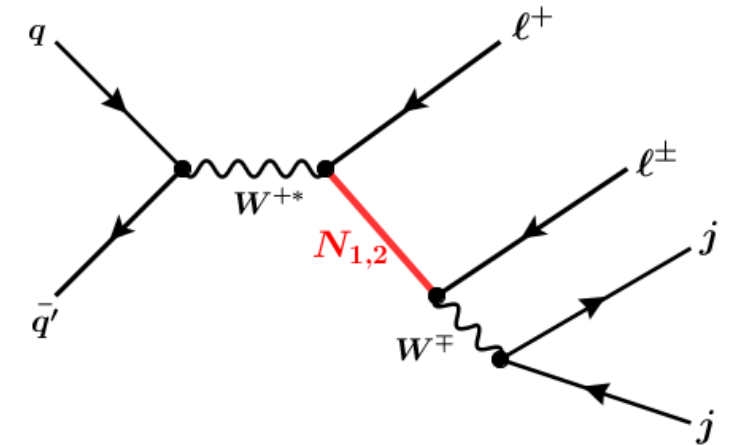
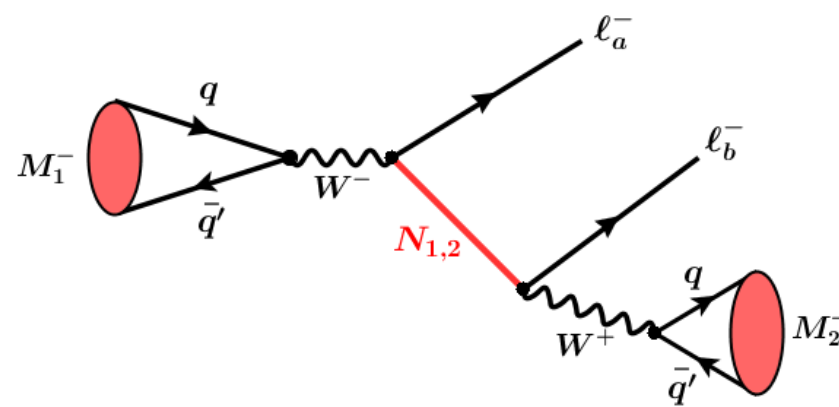
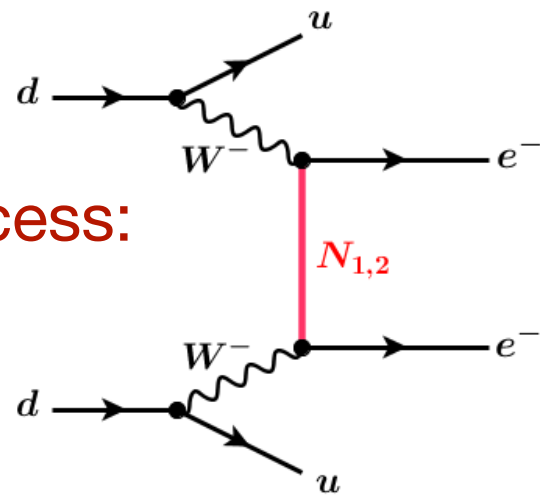
Rephasing of N_1 : Pair of heavy neutrino with **small-splitting** ΔM and **opposite CP** phase

Flavor mixing: $\nu_L \sim P_L \begin{pmatrix} U & -iV_{\ell N} & V_{\ell N} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_m \\ N_1 \\ N_2 \end{pmatrix}$

Collider testable but **suppressed LNV!!**

Are LNV always suppressed in lowscale seesaws?

LNV process:

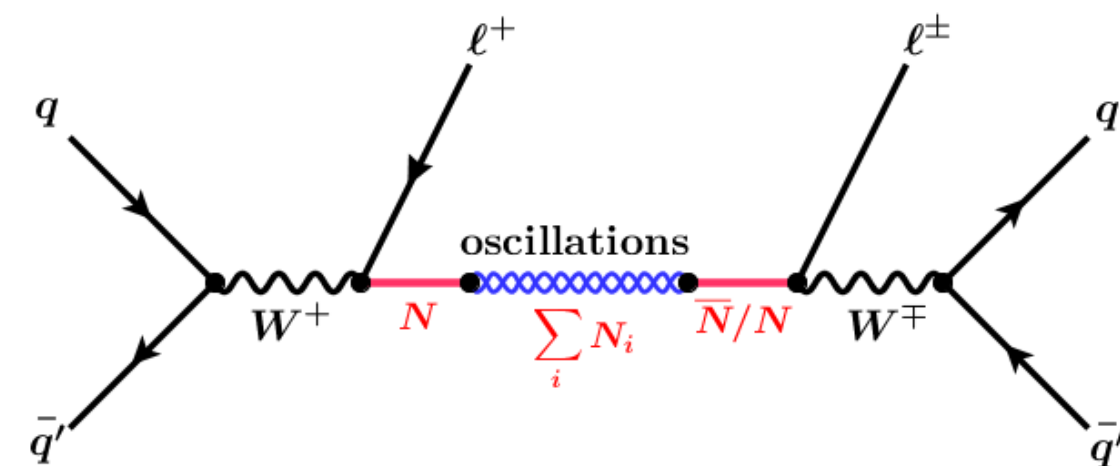


Relevant CC int: $-\mathcal{L}_{cc} \sim g/\sqrt{2} V_{\ell N} \bar{\ell} \gamma_{\mu} P_L (-iN_1 + N_2)/\sqrt{2} W^{\mu} + \text{h.c}$

$$\text{Amp} \propto \frac{\Delta M}{M_N}$$

LNV processes mediated by **on-shell** or **virtual** heavy neutrinos appear suppressed.

Not always true for LNV processes with on-shell N:



LNV via virtual propagation: $\Delta M/M_N$

LNV via on-shell propagation: $\Delta M/\Gamma_N$

Hirsch et al, 1607.05641

See Jose, Bruno talk

$$R = \frac{\# \text{LNV}}{\# \text{LNC}} = \frac{\Delta M^2}{2\Gamma_N^2 + \Delta M^2} = \frac{x^2}{2 + x^2} \text{ with } x = \frac{\Delta M}{\Gamma_N}$$

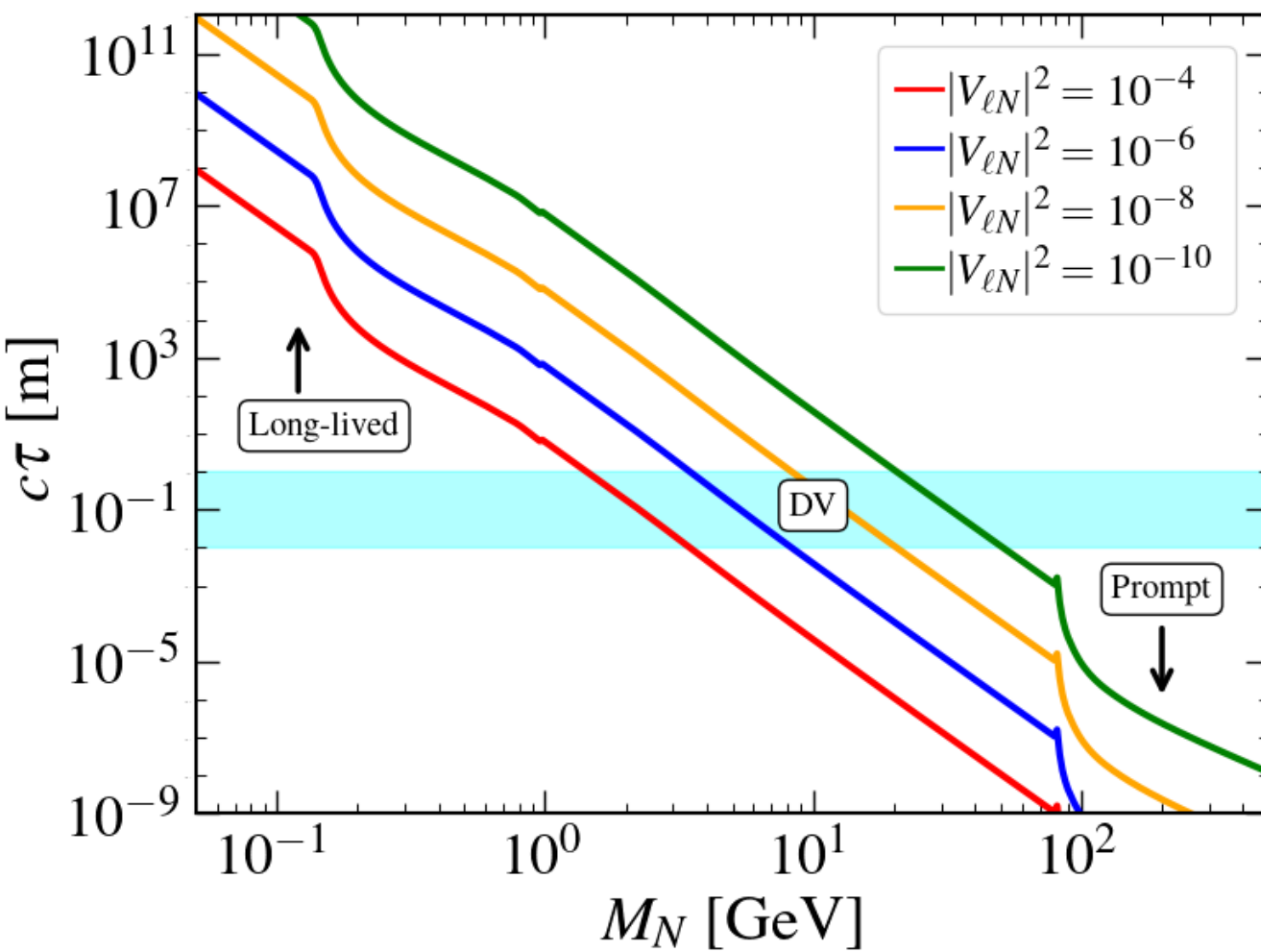
Pure Majorana: $R = 1$

Pure Dirac: $R = 0$

Quasi-Dirac: $0 \leq R \leq 1$ depending on the ratio $\Delta M/\Gamma_N$

For **discovery purposes**, take agnostic/pheno approach with generic $V_{\ell N}$ parametrization and one **N** mass eigenstate

Strategy for uncovering the signal



$M_N \sim \text{eV}$: kinks in electron beta decay spectra

$M_N \sim \text{KeV}$: peak searches in leptonic decays of pion and kaon

$M_N \sim \text{MeV-few GeV}$: Long-lived: $L_N \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(100 \text{ m})$, beam dump experiments

$M_N \sim 10 \text{ GeV} - M_W$: displaced vertex: $L_N \sim (\text{cm} - \text{m})$, collider experiments

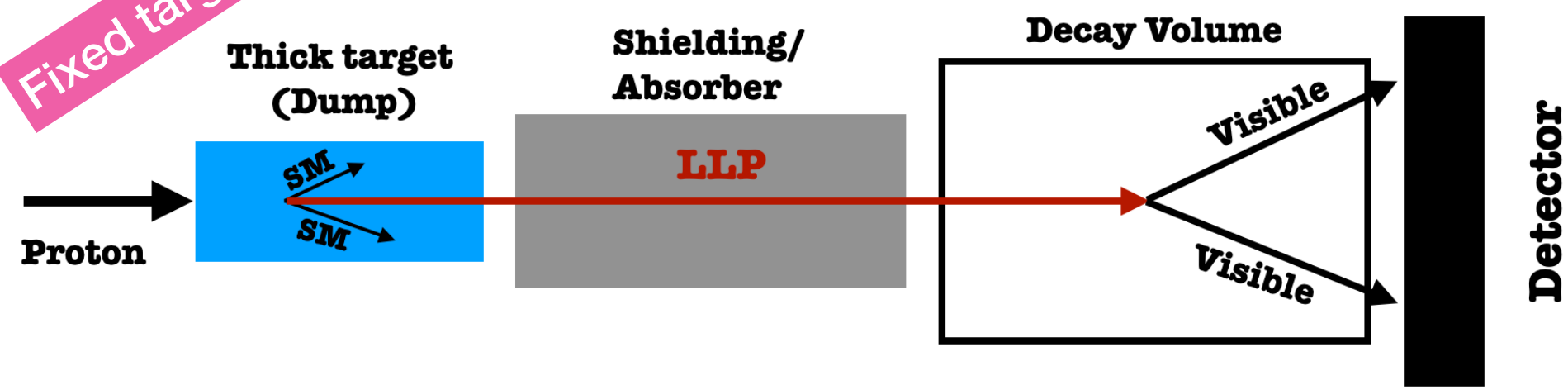
$M_N > M_W$: Prompt decay, collider experiments

$M_N \geq \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ TeV}$:

This mass range is out of reach of the present collider energy. N can be probed indirectly from loop processes such as $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$, $\mu \rightarrow 3e$, etc

Beam dump experiments: $M_N \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{GeV})$

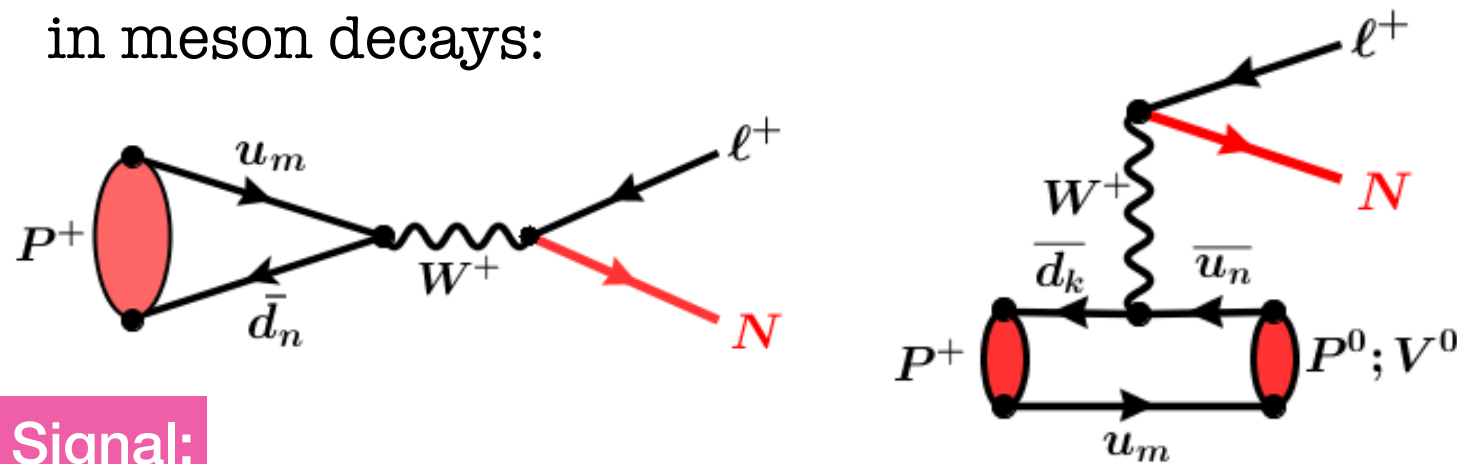
Fixed target:



Past: LSND, CHARM, PS191, NOMAD....

Future: SHiP, NA62, HIKE, DUNE, DarkQuest.....

High fluxes of protons on an appropriate target could produce the heavy neutrinos in meson decays:



SHiP: $N_{D,D_s} \sim 10^{17}$

NA62, HIKE: $N_K \sim 10^{13}$

Shiva, Das, **SM** 26

Chun, **SM**, Mitra, Sinha 19

Signal:

$$N_S = \sum_i N_{M_i} \cdot \text{BR}(M_i \rightarrow N + X) \cdot \langle P[N \text{ decay}] \rangle \cdot \text{BR}(N \rightarrow \text{vis.})$$

$$\langle P[N \text{ decay}] \rangle = e^{-\frac{L_{\min}}{L_N}} \left[1 - e^{-\frac{L_{\text{dec}}}{L_N}} \right] \Theta \left(R - \tan \theta (L_{\min} + L_{\text{dec}}) \right)$$

$$L_N = \frac{p_N}{M_N \Gamma_N}$$

Depends on the detector geometry

Small $|V_{\ell N}|^2 \rightarrow$ too few HNL

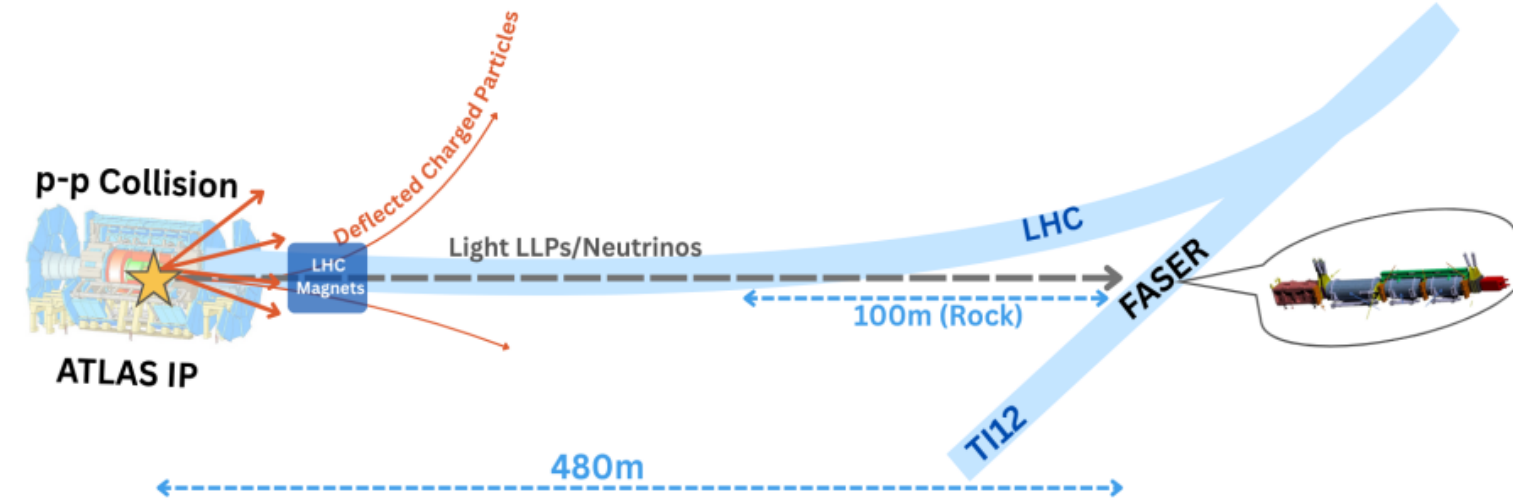
Optimal $|V_{\ell N}|^2 \rightarrow$ decay inside detector

Large $|V_{\ell N}|^2 \rightarrow$ decay before detector

See also Doojin Kim talk

Collider beam dump

Forward detector FASER, FACET



At HL-LHC:

$$\theta \lesssim \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ mrad}$$

High flux of lighter mesons

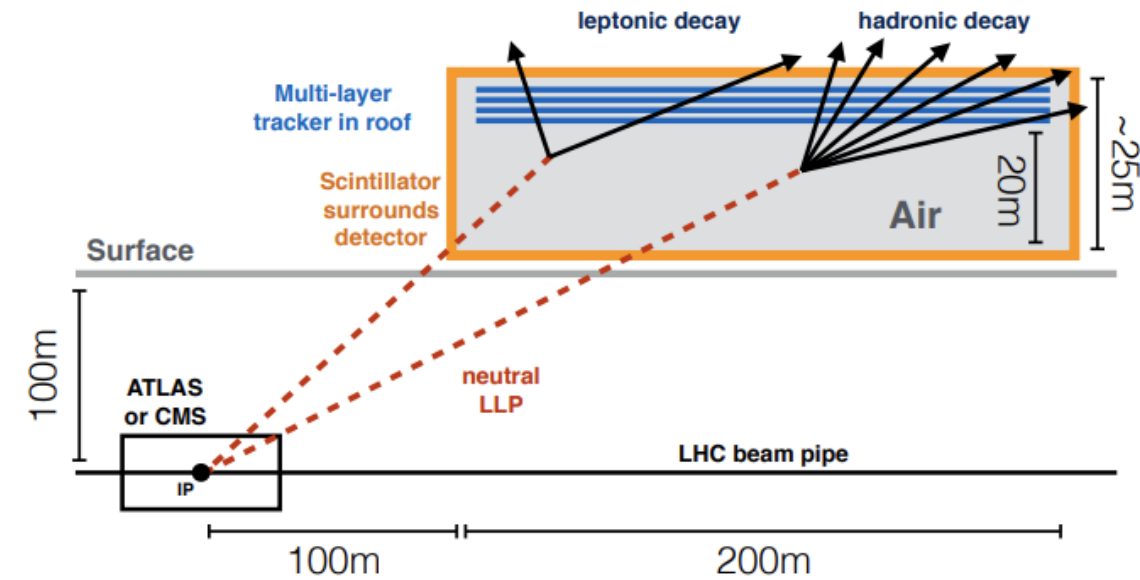
Best sensitivity:

$$0.1 \text{ GeV} \leq M_N \leq 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$N_\pi = 10^{18}, N_\eta = 10^{17}, N_D = 10^{16}, N_B = 10^{16}$$

$$N_M^{\text{actual}} = N_M^{\text{IP}} (\theta_{\min} \leq \theta \leq \theta_{\max})$$

Transverse detector MATHUSLA, ANUBIS, CODEX-b



$$\theta \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ rad}$$

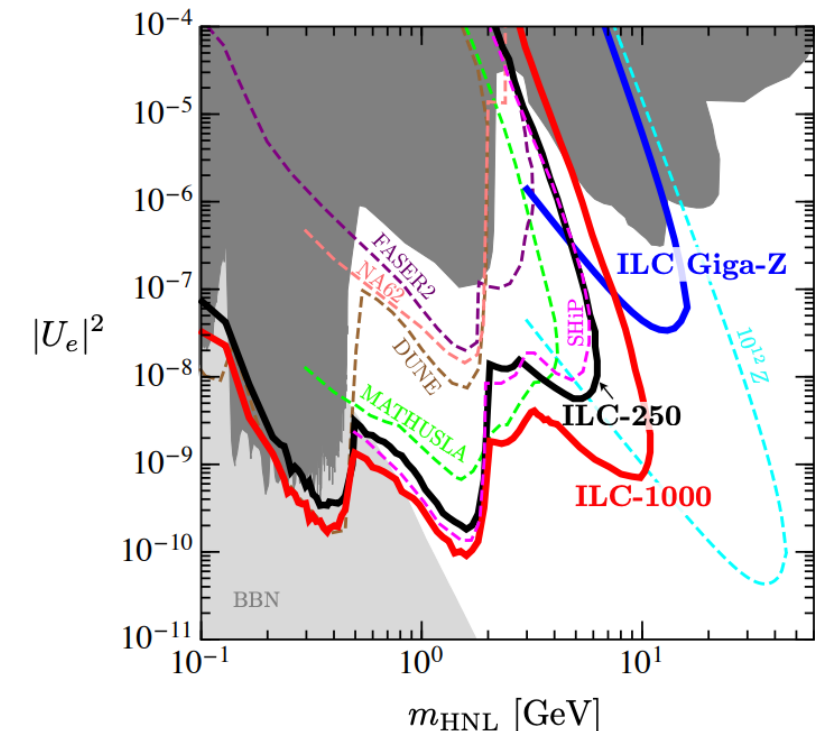
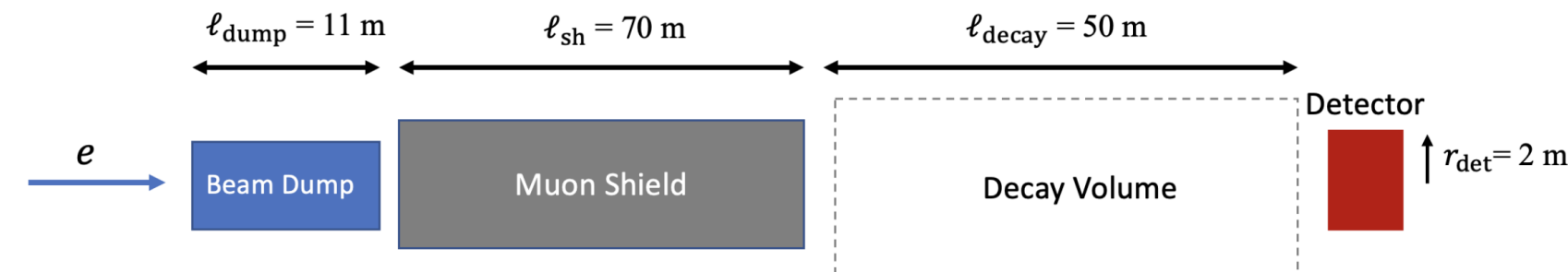
High flux of heavier mesons

Best sensitivity:

$$1 \text{ GeV} \leq M_N \leq 5 \text{ GeV}$$

Lepton collider beam dump

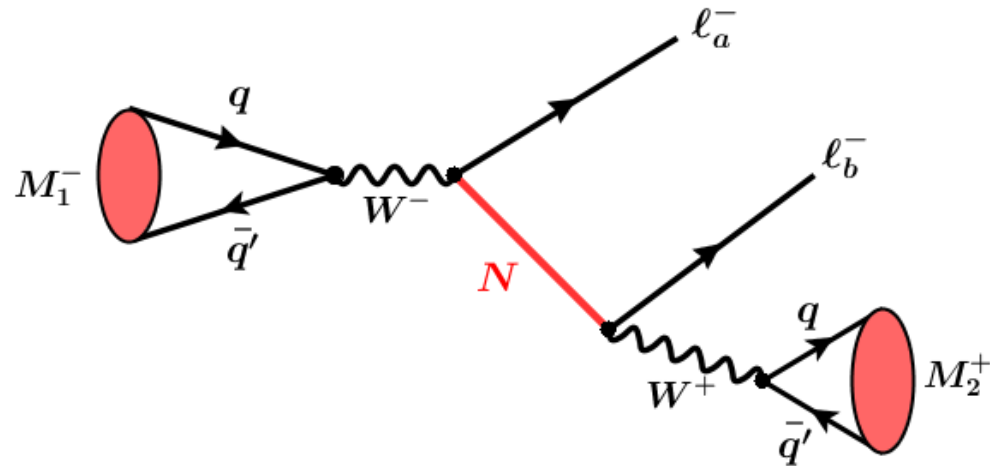
Asai et al 21, Giffin et al 22, Ueda et al 23



Muon collider beam dump ?

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Three body LNV Meson decays $M_N \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ GeV

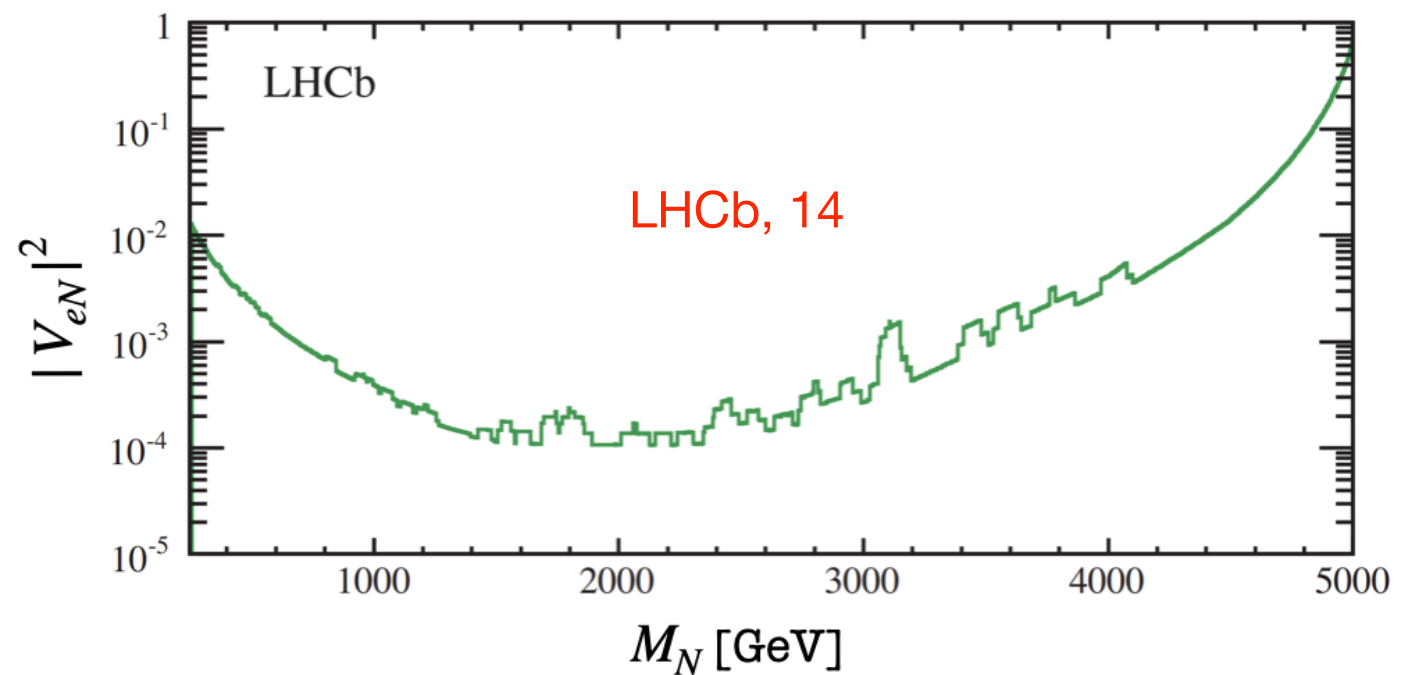
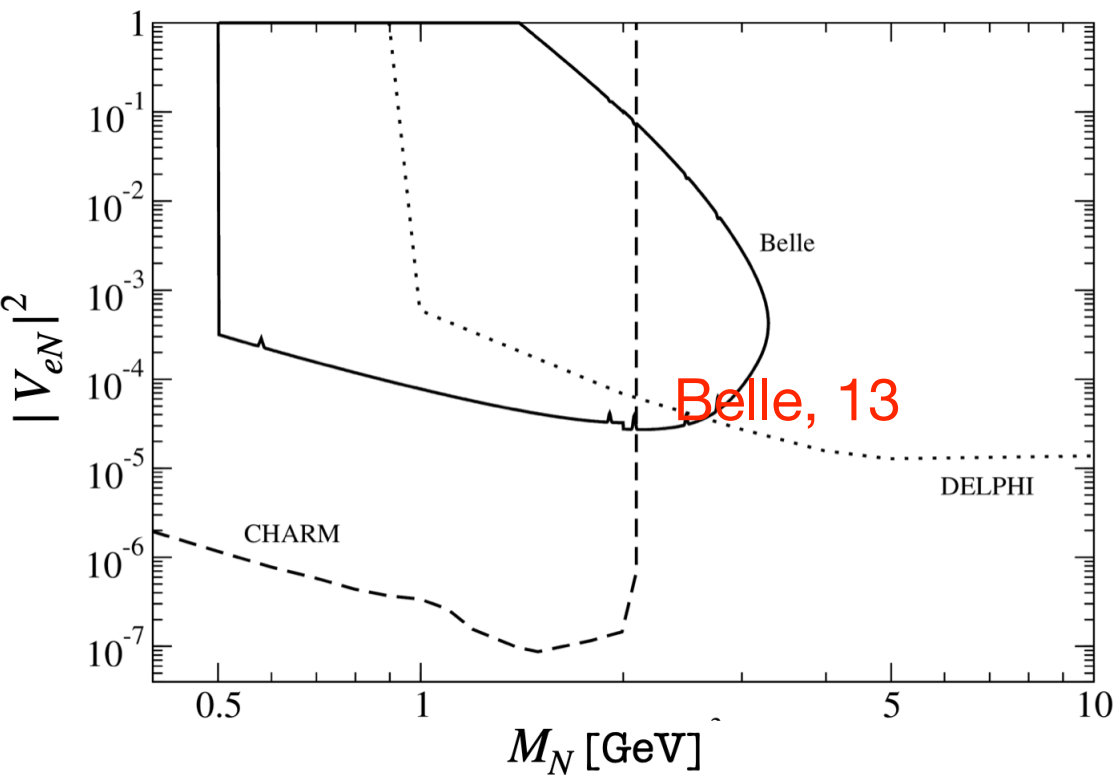


Enhanced: If the mass of N lies in the range $\sim (100 \text{ MeV} - 5 \text{ GeV})$, N on shell

$$N_{\text{event}} = f(M_N, V_{\ell N}, p_{M_1}, L_D)$$

$$\Delta L = 2 : M_1^\pm \rightarrow \ell_a^\pm \ell_b^\pm M_2^\mp$$

Advantage compare to $0\nu\beta\beta$: lesser uncertainties in the meson decay constant compare to nuclear matrix elements.



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SM, Sinha, Mitra, 16

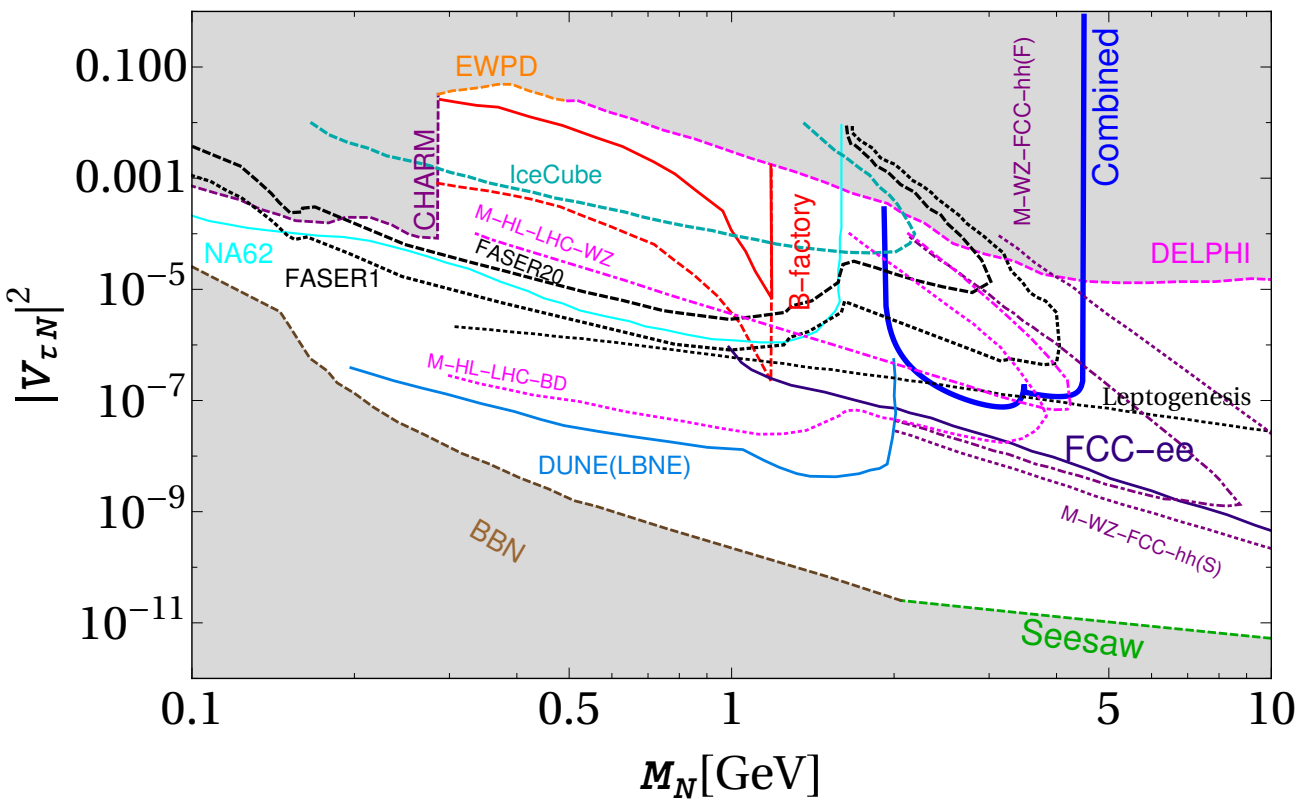
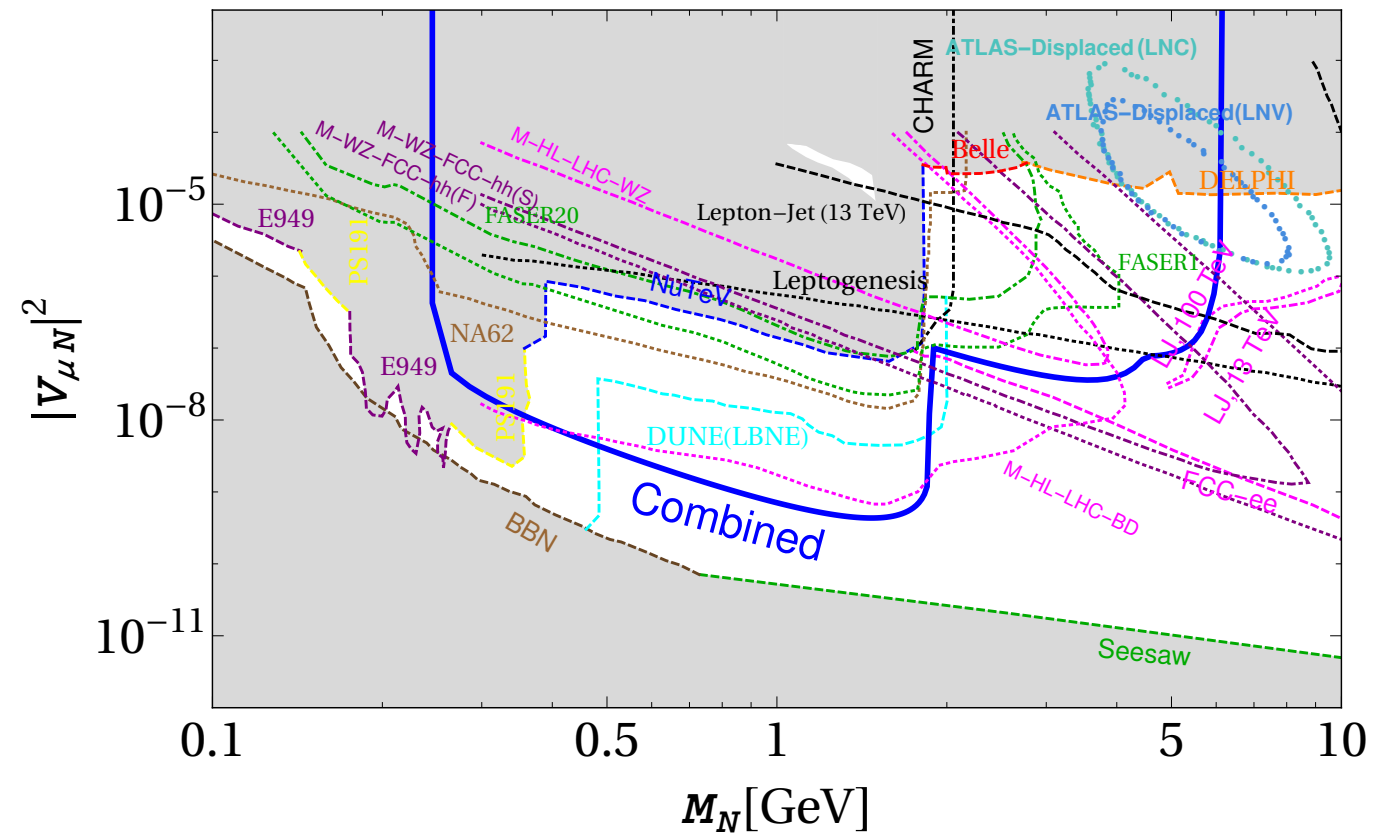
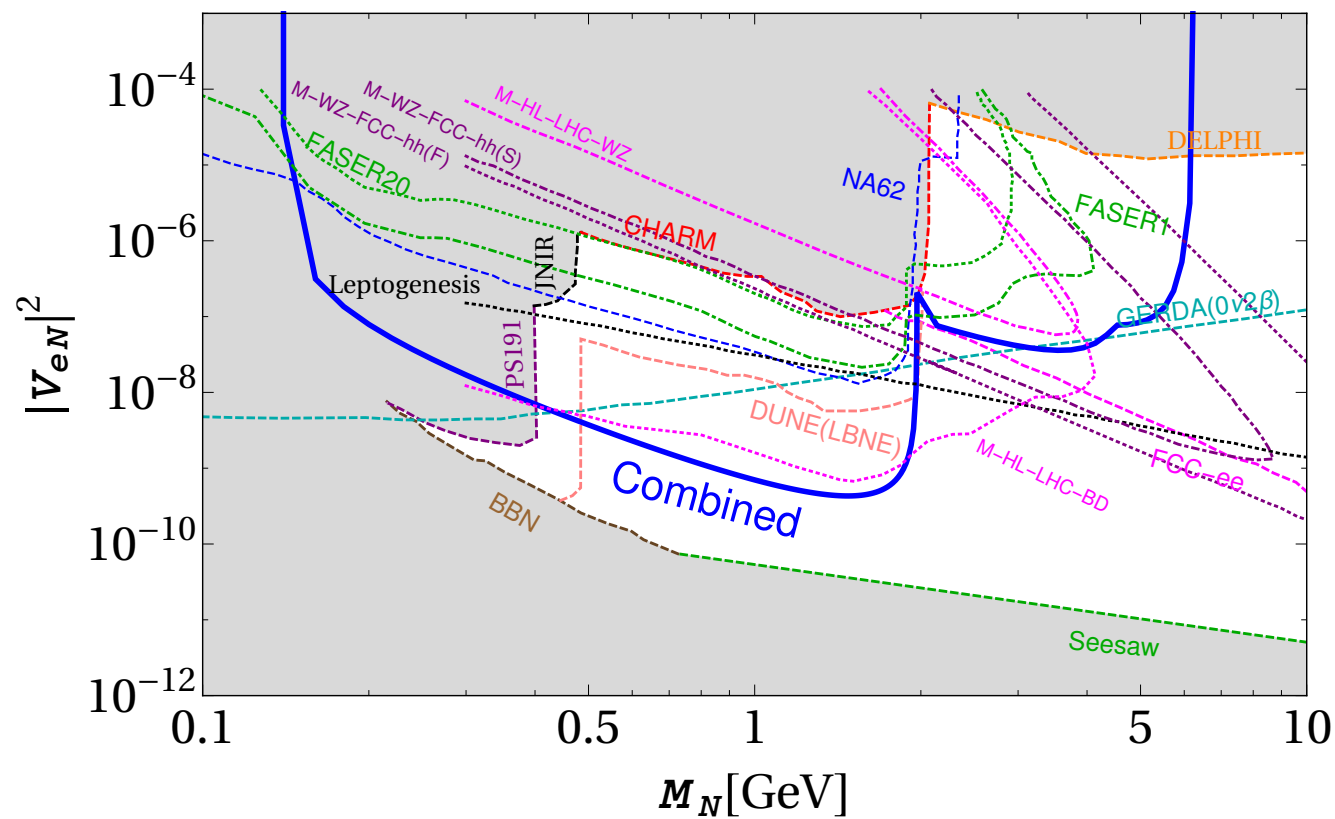
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NA62

$$N_K \sim 10^{13}, L_D \sim 100 \text{ m}, p_K = 75 \text{ GeV}$$

Belle II

$$N_{D,D_s,B} \sim 10^{10}, L_D \sim 1 \text{ m}, p_{D,D_s,B} \sim 0$$

MATHUSLA

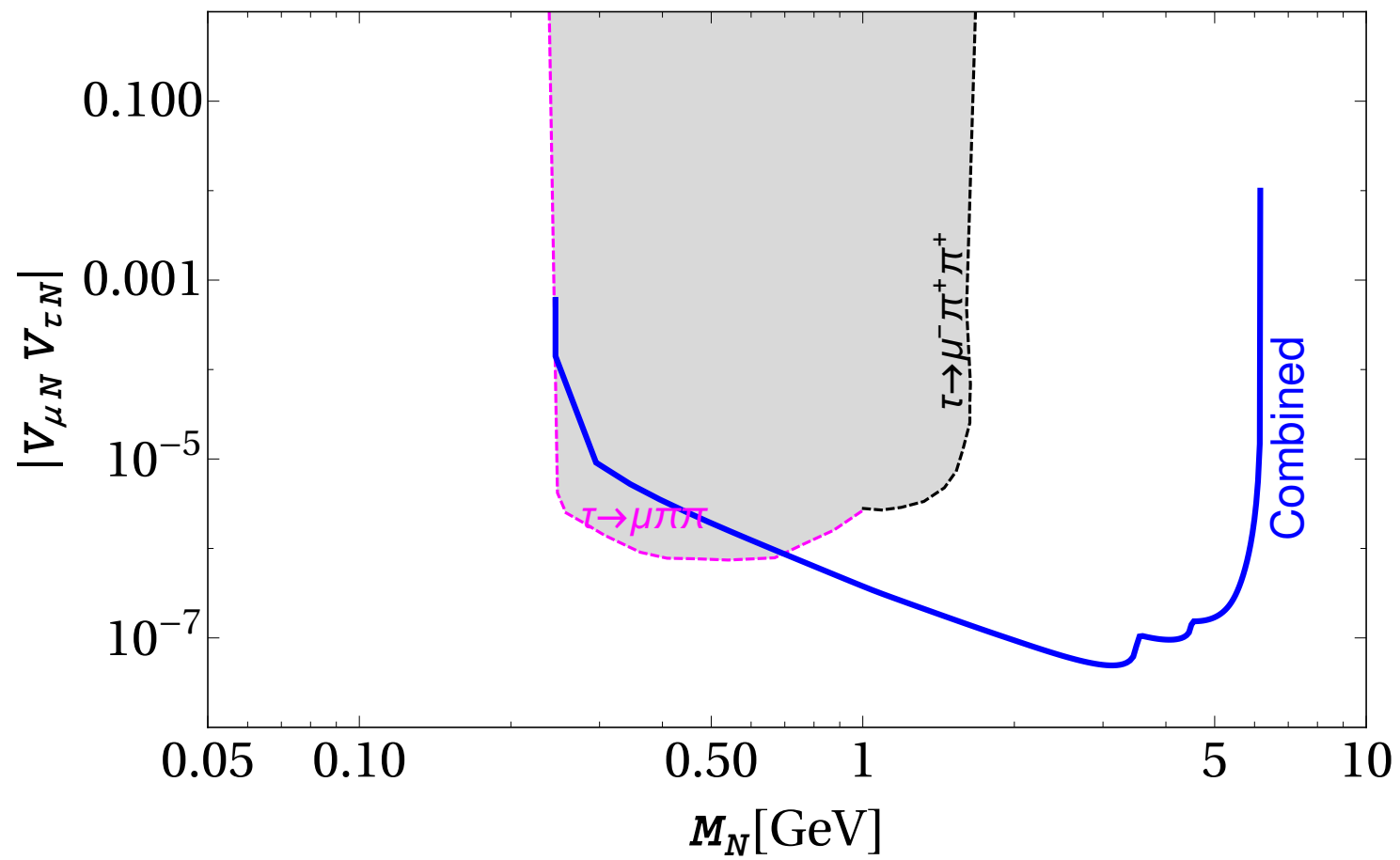
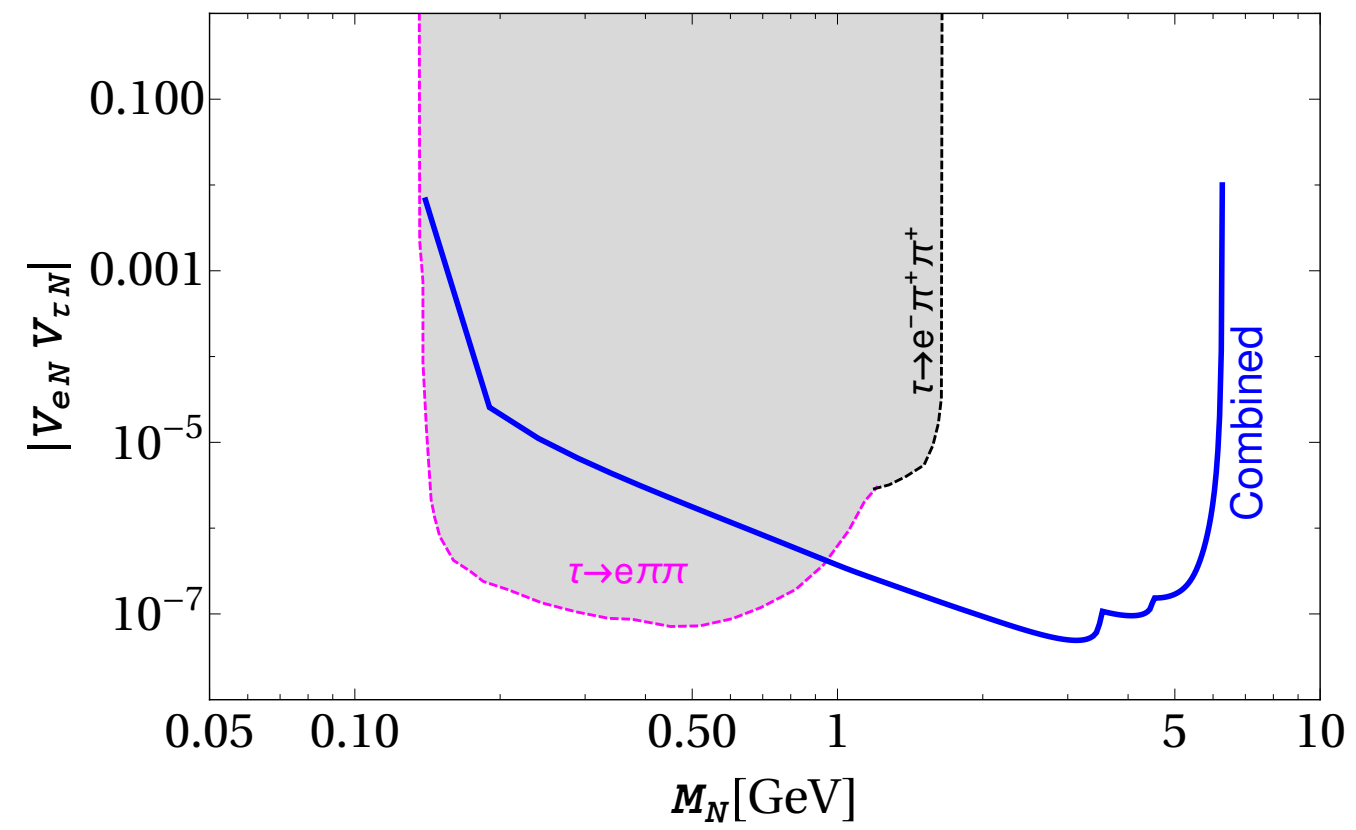
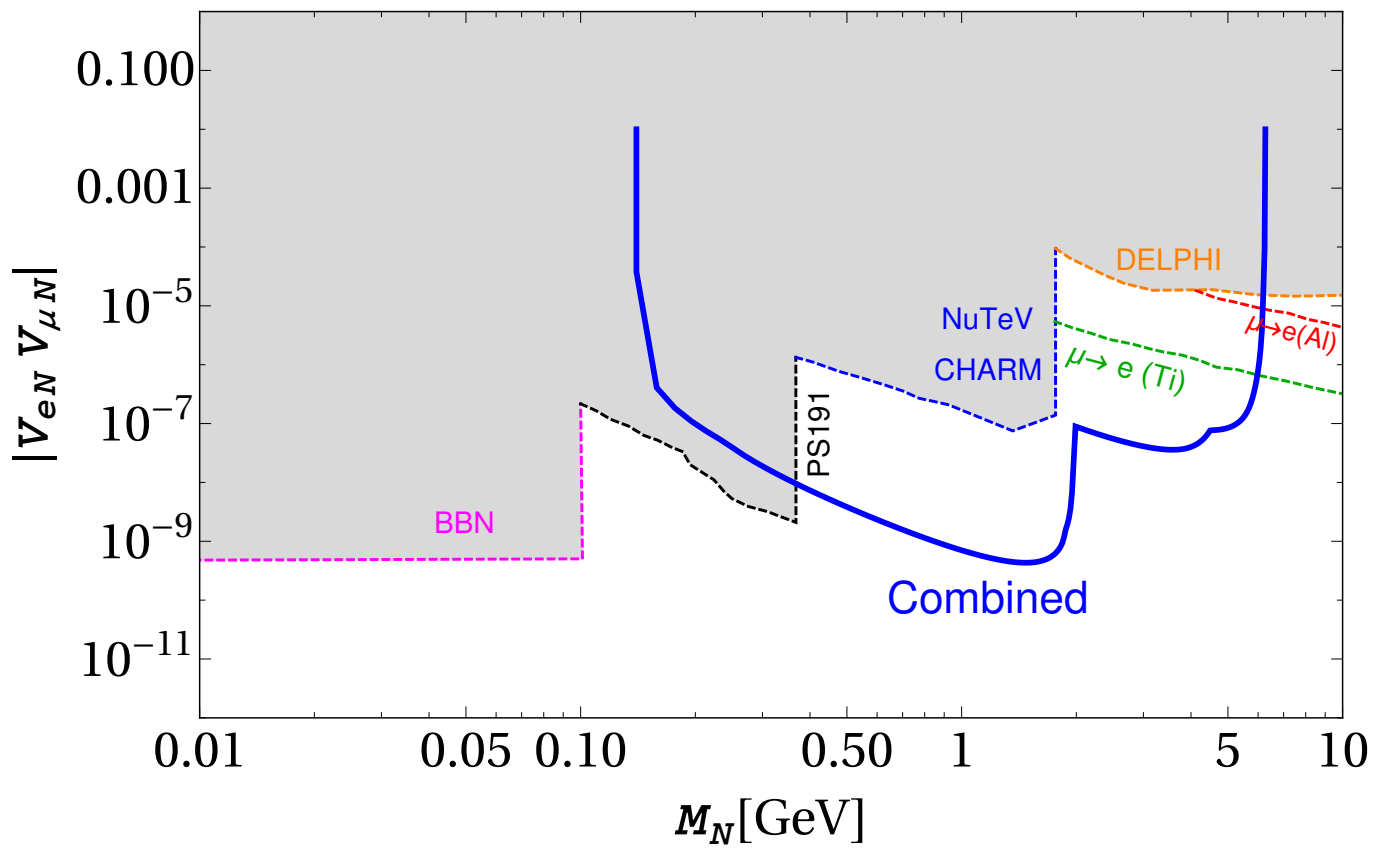
$$N_B \sim 10^{14}, N_D \sim 10^{13}, \langle \gamma_B \rangle = 2.3, \\ \langle \gamma_D \rangle = 2.6, L_D \sim 50 \text{ m}$$

FCC

$$N_B \sim 10^{12}, L_D \sim 1 \text{ m}, p_B = M_Z/2$$

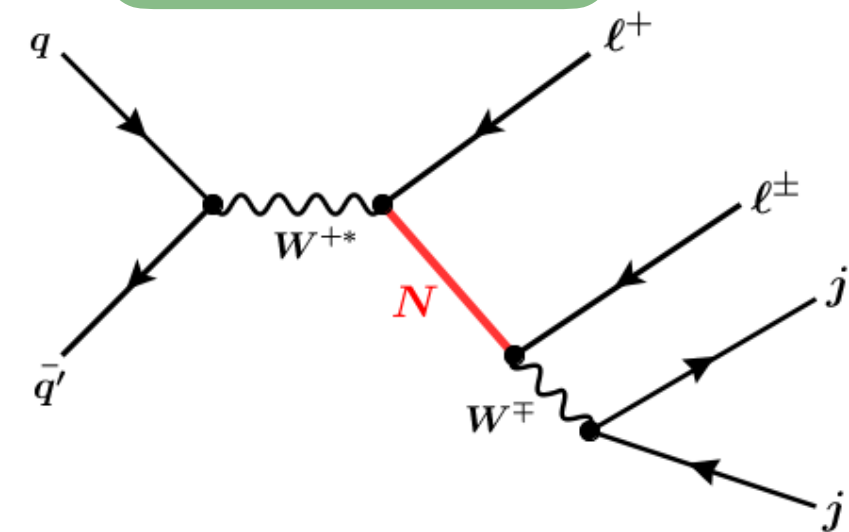
SHIP
Search for Hidden Particles

$$N_D \sim 10^{17}, N_{D_s} = 10^{16}, L_D \sim 60 \text{ m} \\ p_{D,D_s} = 58 \text{ GeV}$$

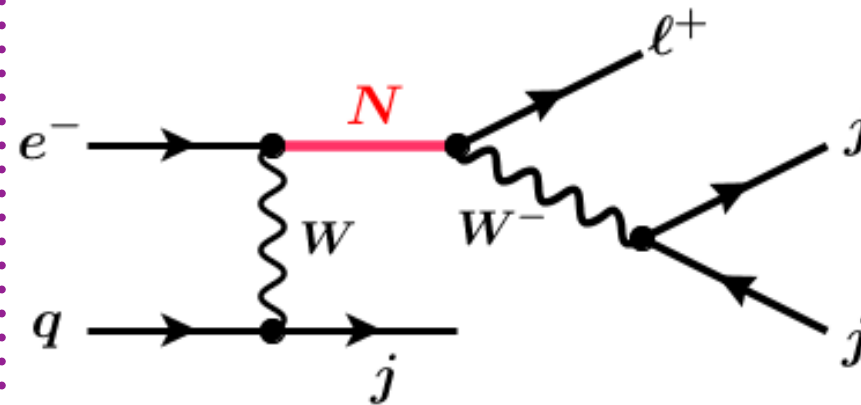


$M_N \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(10)$ GeV: High energy colliders

LHC, FCC-hh

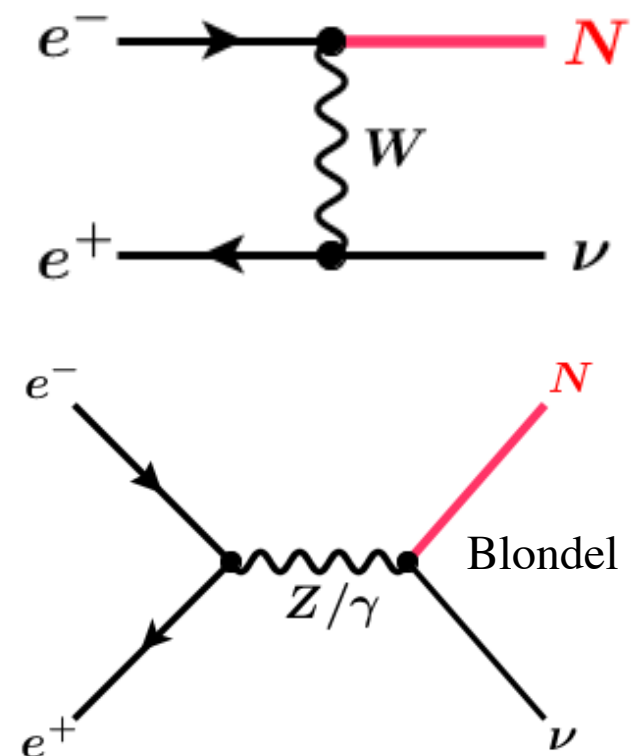


LHeC, FCC-eh



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ILC, CLIC, FCC-ee



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Advantage: direct observation of **LN**V in fully reconstructed final state

$$\text{If } R_{\ell\ell} = \frac{\# \text{LNV}}{\# \text{LNC}} \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{Majorana neutrinos}$$

$M_N \leq M_W$: displaced vertex

Cottin, Fischer, SM, Mitra, Padhan 21
Chiang, Cottin, SM 19

$M_N \geq M_W$: prompt searches

Das, Li, SM, Nomura, Zhang 24
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$M_N \gg M_W$: boosted jets $\rightarrow$ fatjet

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At $\sqrt{s} = M_Z$:

$$N_{\text{event}} \approx 10^{12} |V_{eN}|^2$$

Can probe seesaw line:

$$|V_{eN}|^2 \sim m_\nu / M_N \sim 10^{-12}$$

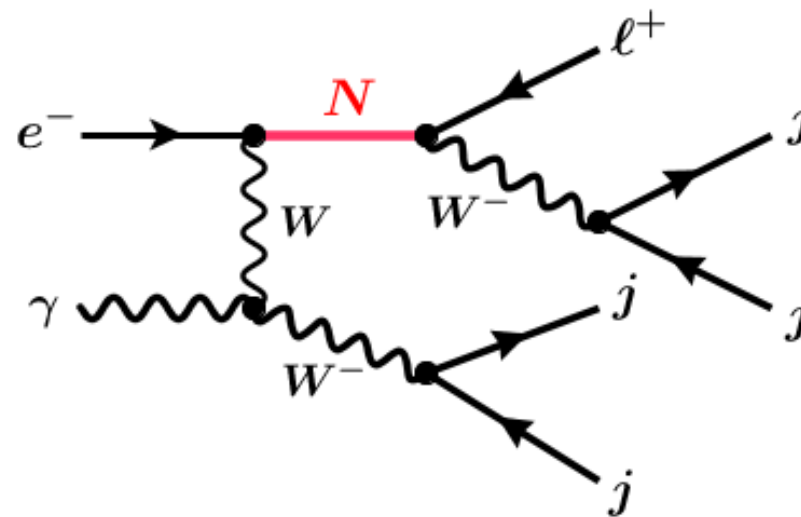
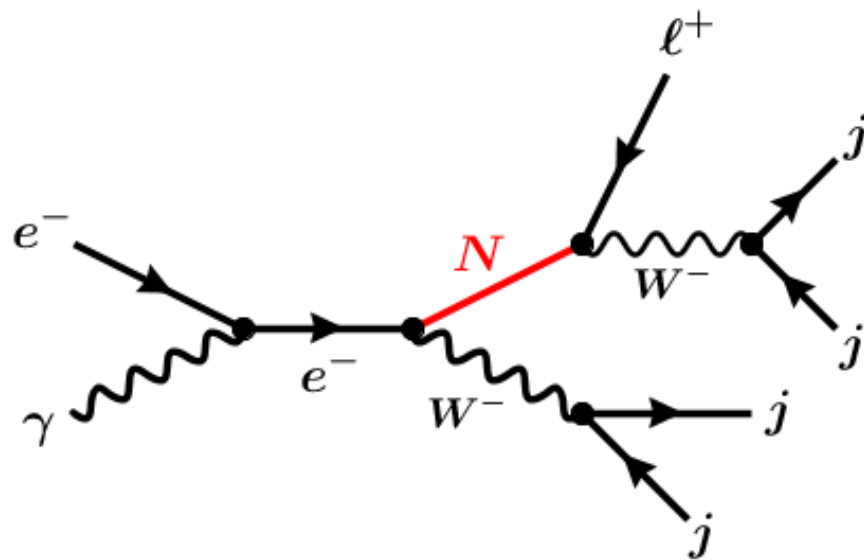
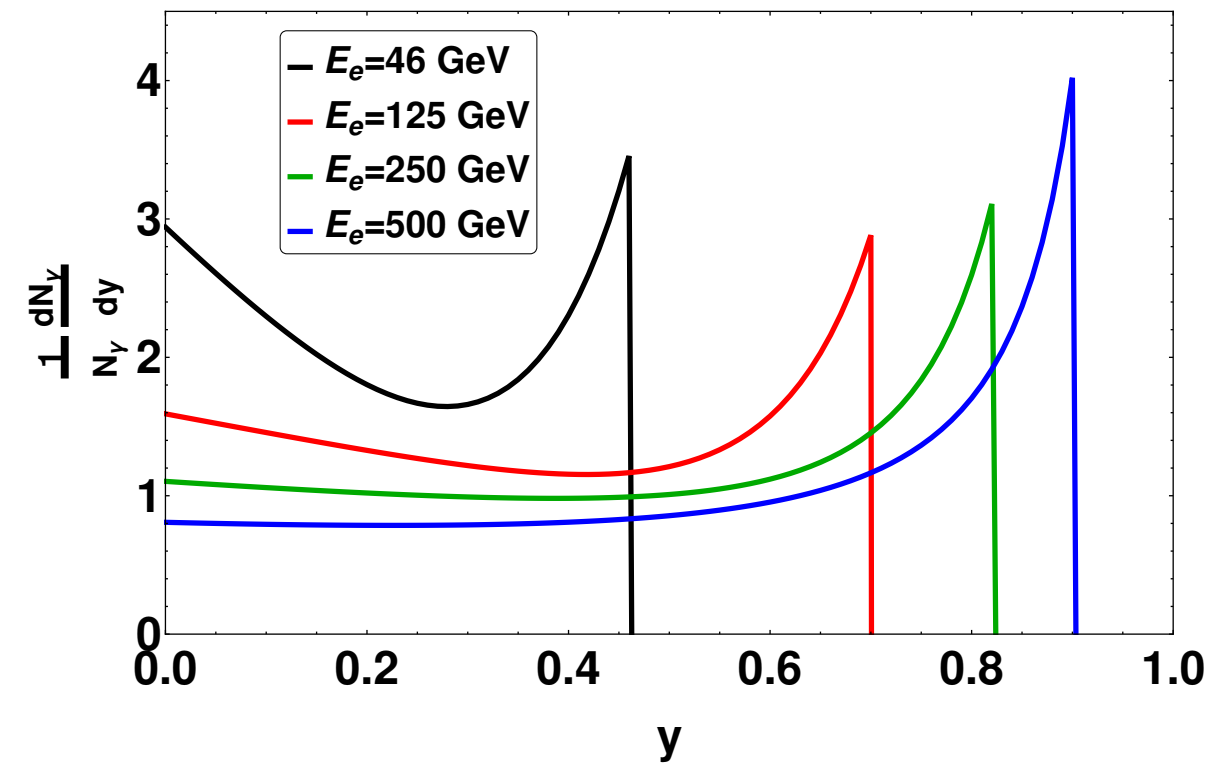
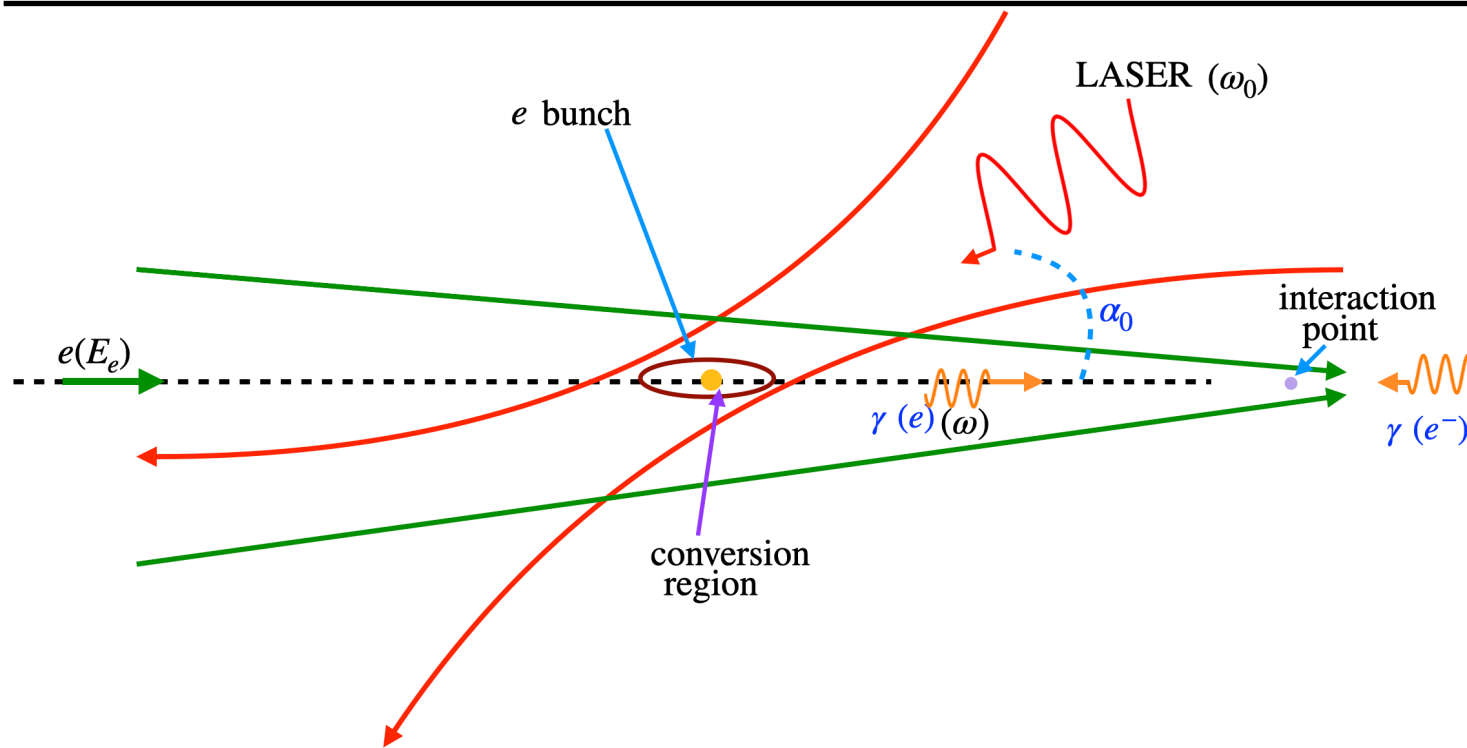
Neutrino in final state unobservable

Angular distribution/polarisation of final state particles

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See talk by Andrea Gouvea

$e^- \gamma$ option at $e^+ e^-$ collider



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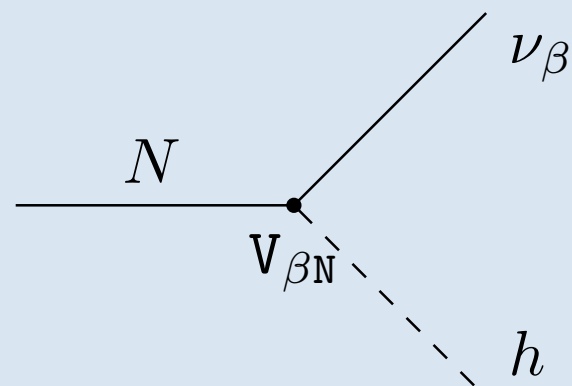
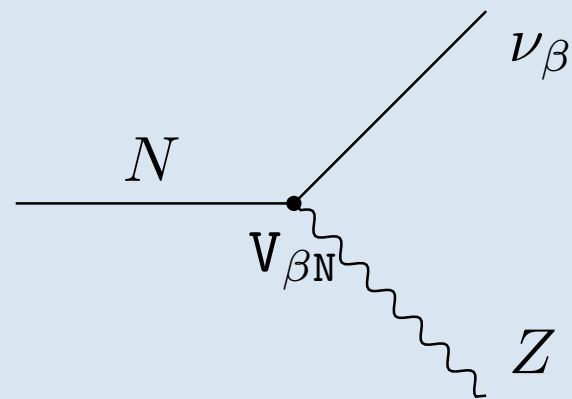
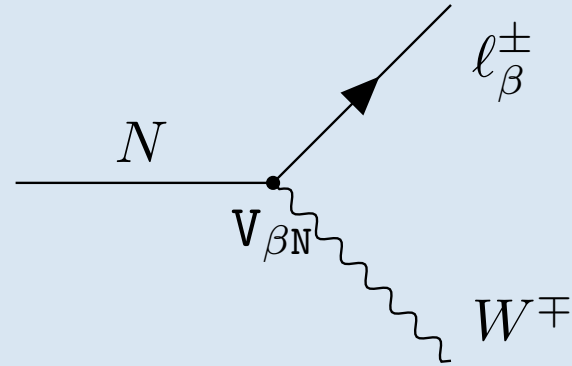
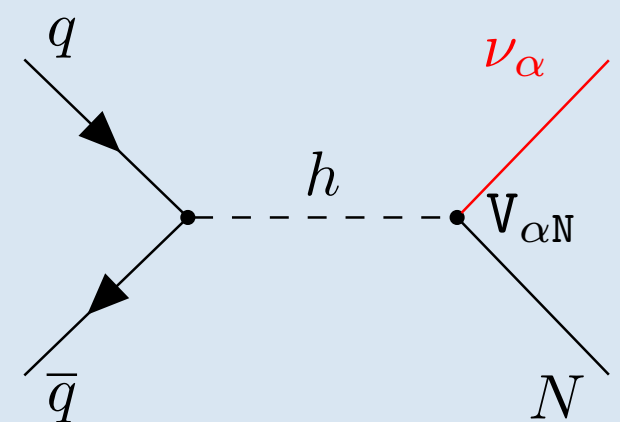
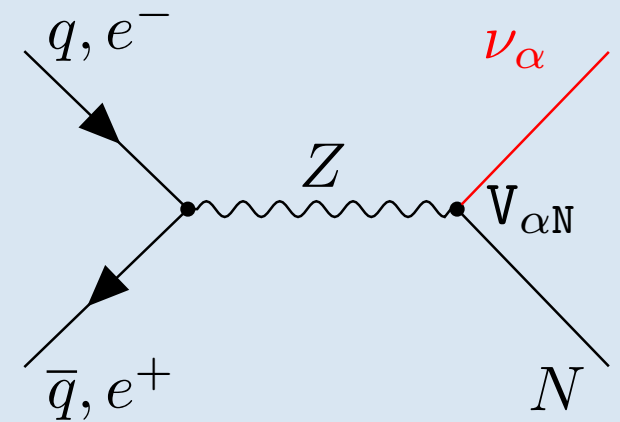
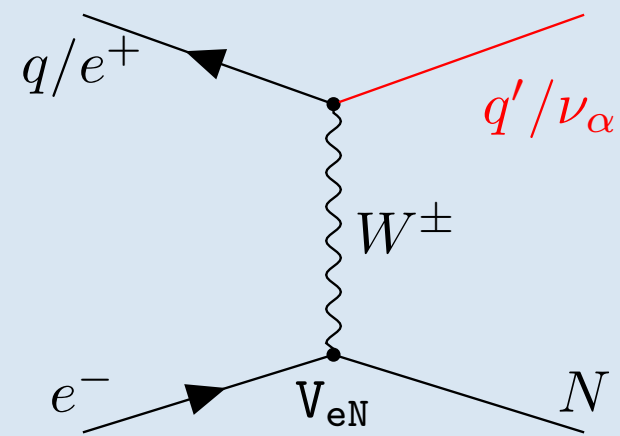
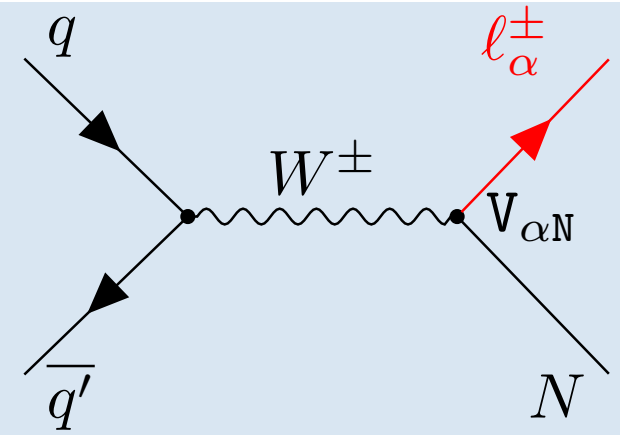
SM et al, 23

$$\text{LNV: } e^- \gamma \rightarrow \ell^+ + 4j$$

$$\text{LNC: } e^- \gamma \rightarrow \ell^- + 4j$$

$$R_{\ell\ell} = \frac{\# \text{ LNV}}{\# \text{ LNC}} \neq 0 \text{ if } N \text{ is Majorana type}$$

Systematic assessment of signatures of heavy neutrinos at colliders:

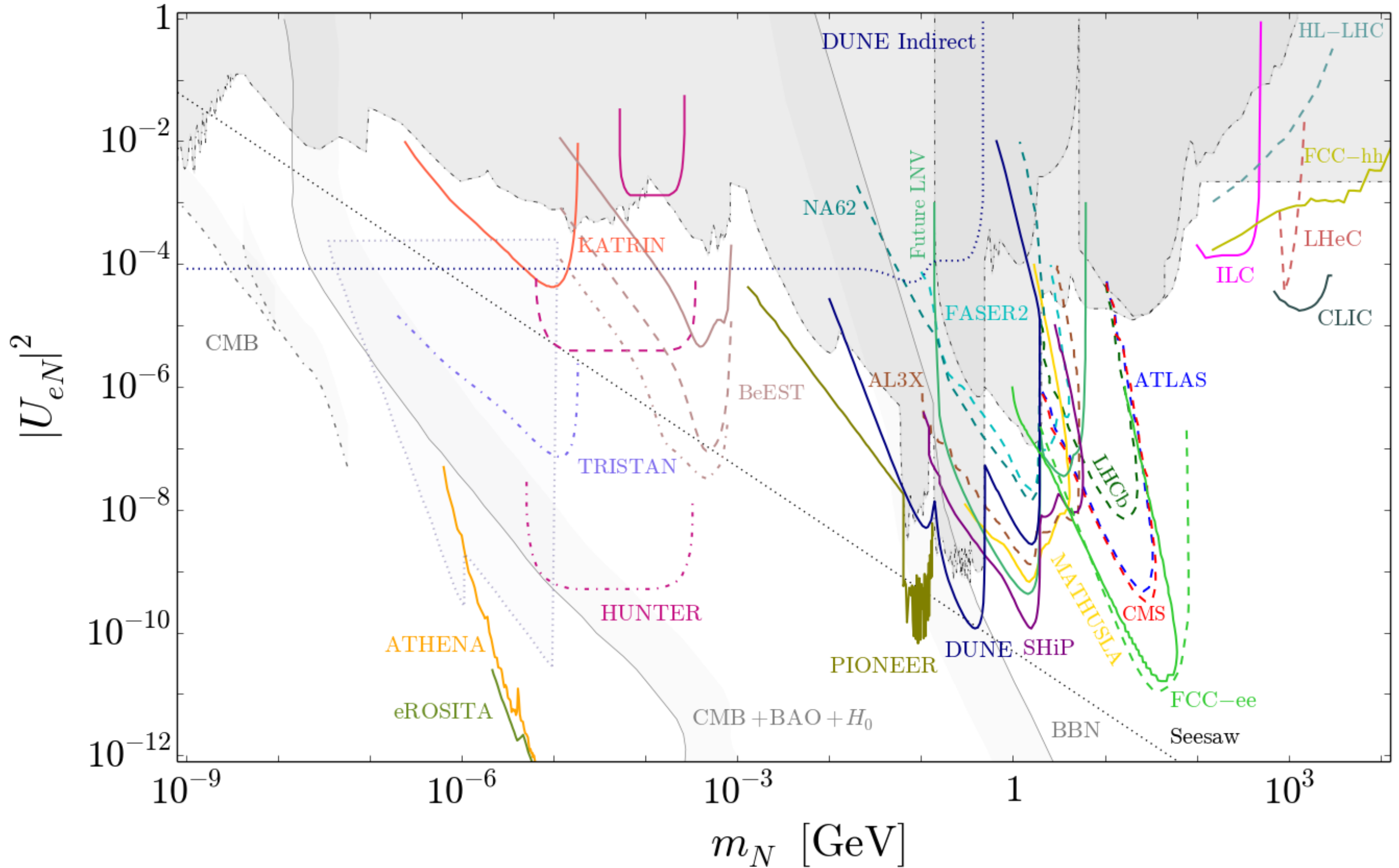


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Summary of existing constraints



<https://www.hep.ucl.ac.uk/~pbolton/plots.html>

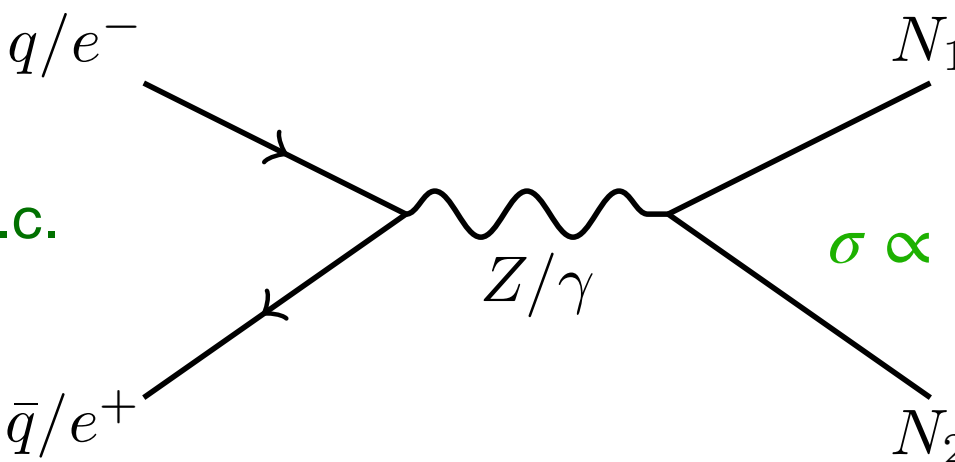
Heavy neutrino production beyond neutrino mixing

For any neutrino mass model: $\sigma(\text{LNV}) = \sigma(\text{LNC}) R$ with $R = [0 : 1]$

In usual seesaw models: $\sigma(\text{LNC}) \propto |V_{eN}|^2$, hence if $R < 1$, $\sigma(\text{LNV})$ will be even smaller

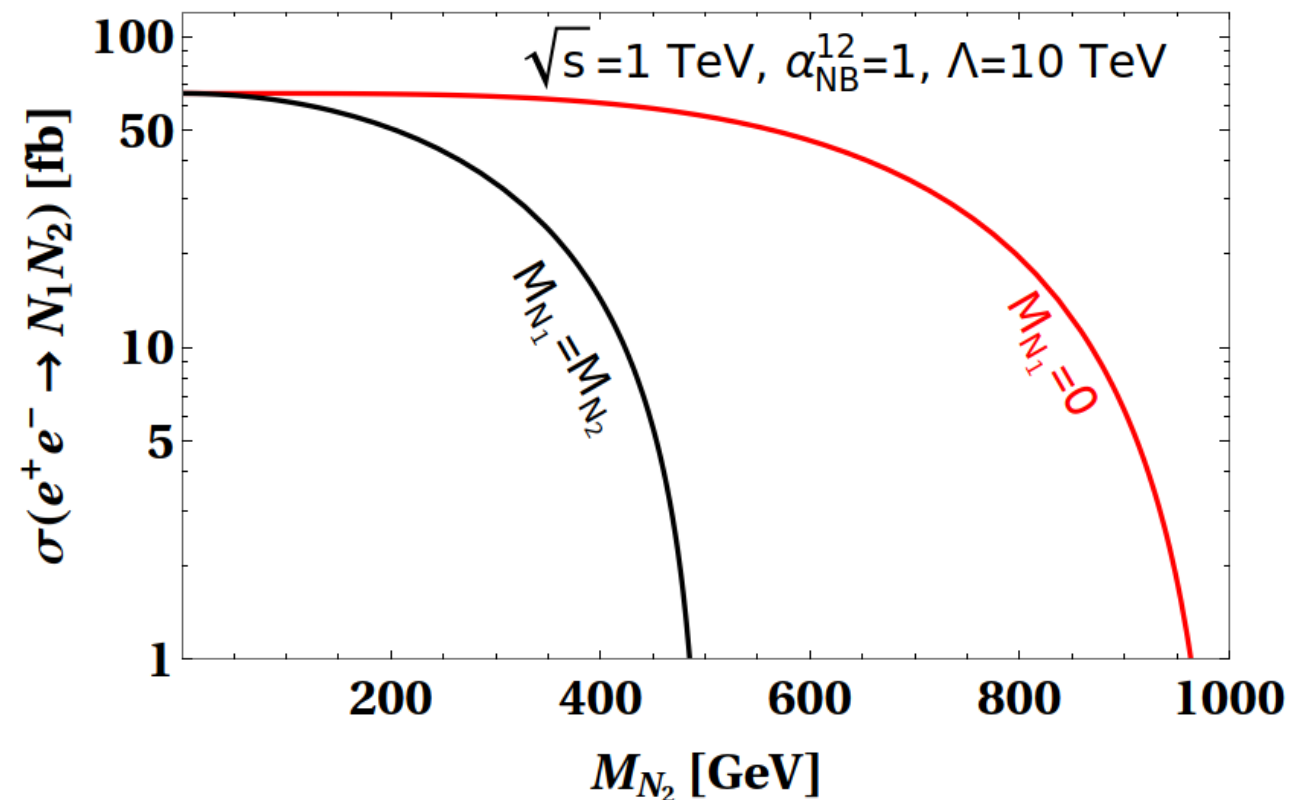
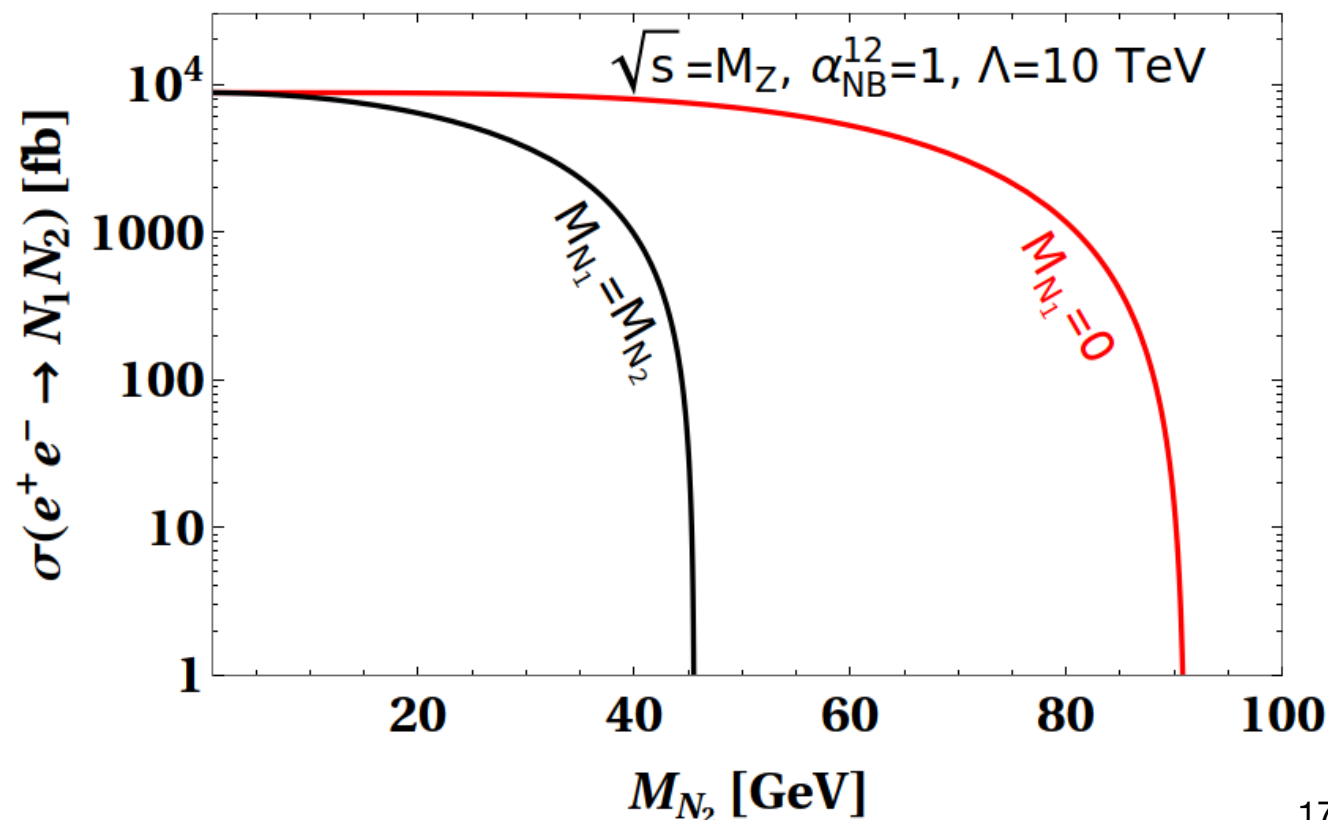
With SM+RHNs, simple EFT argument suggests following dim-5 MMO:

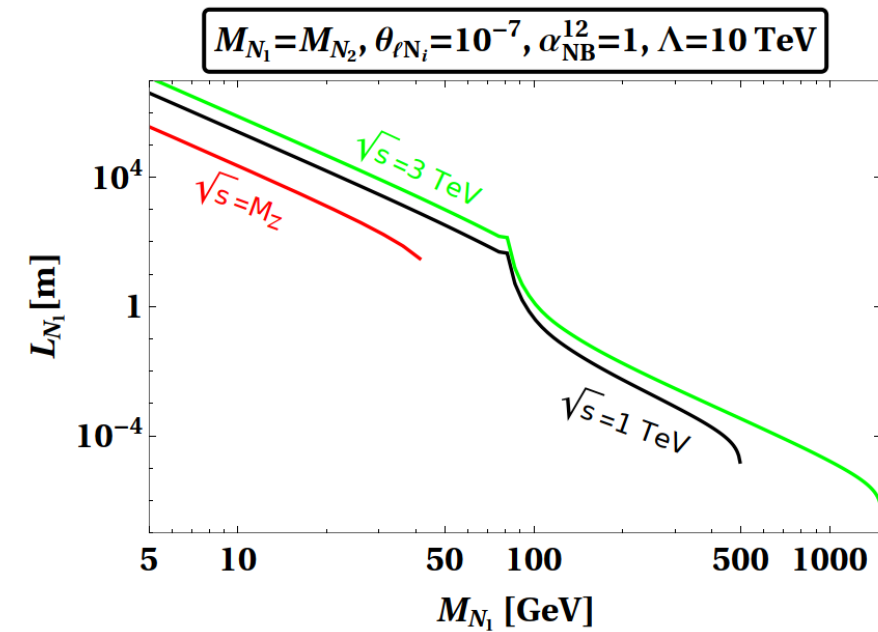
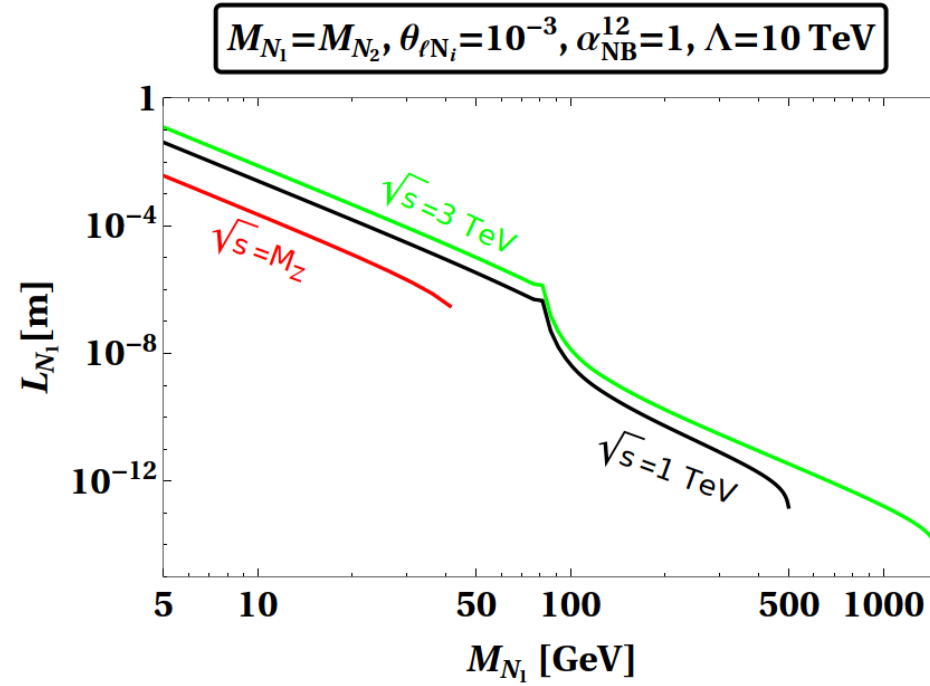
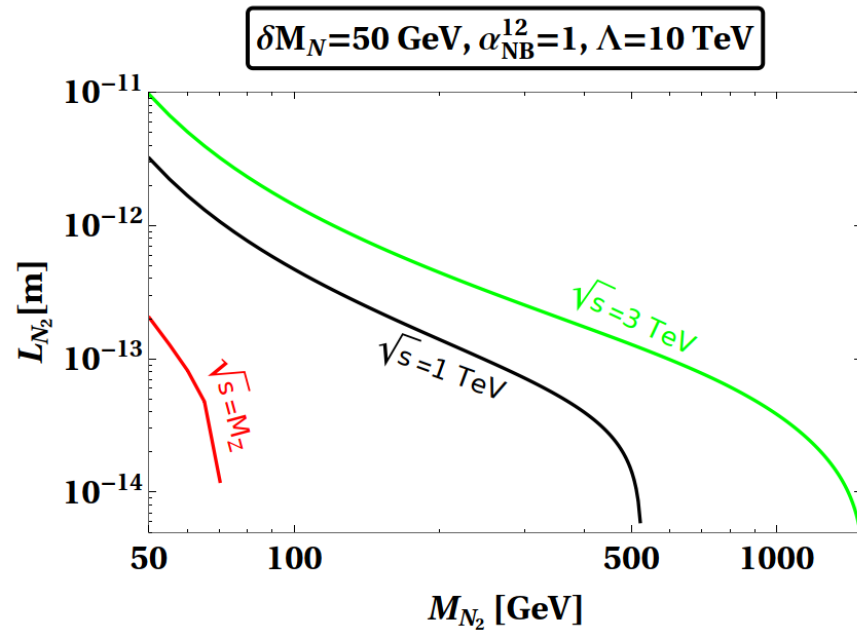
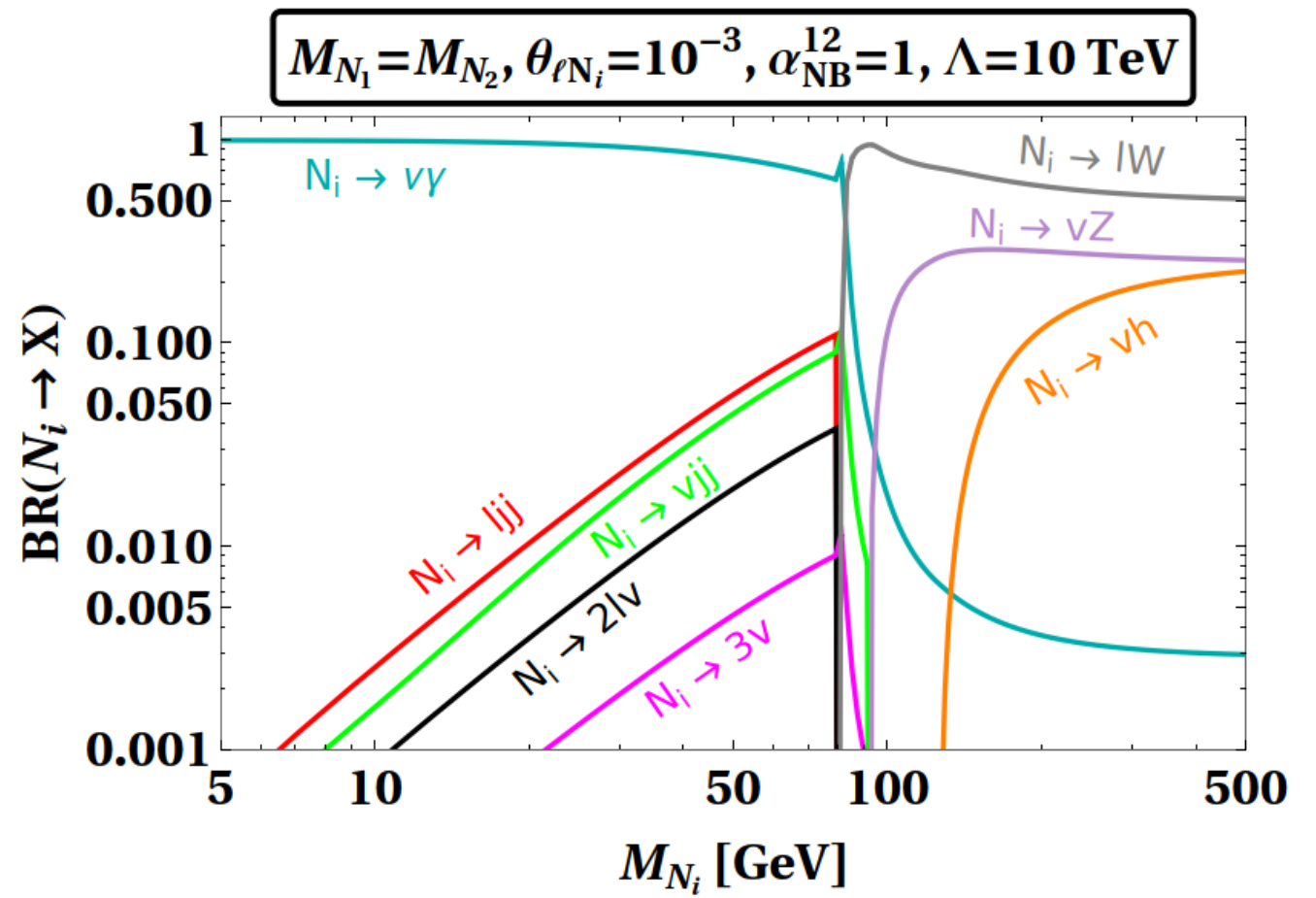
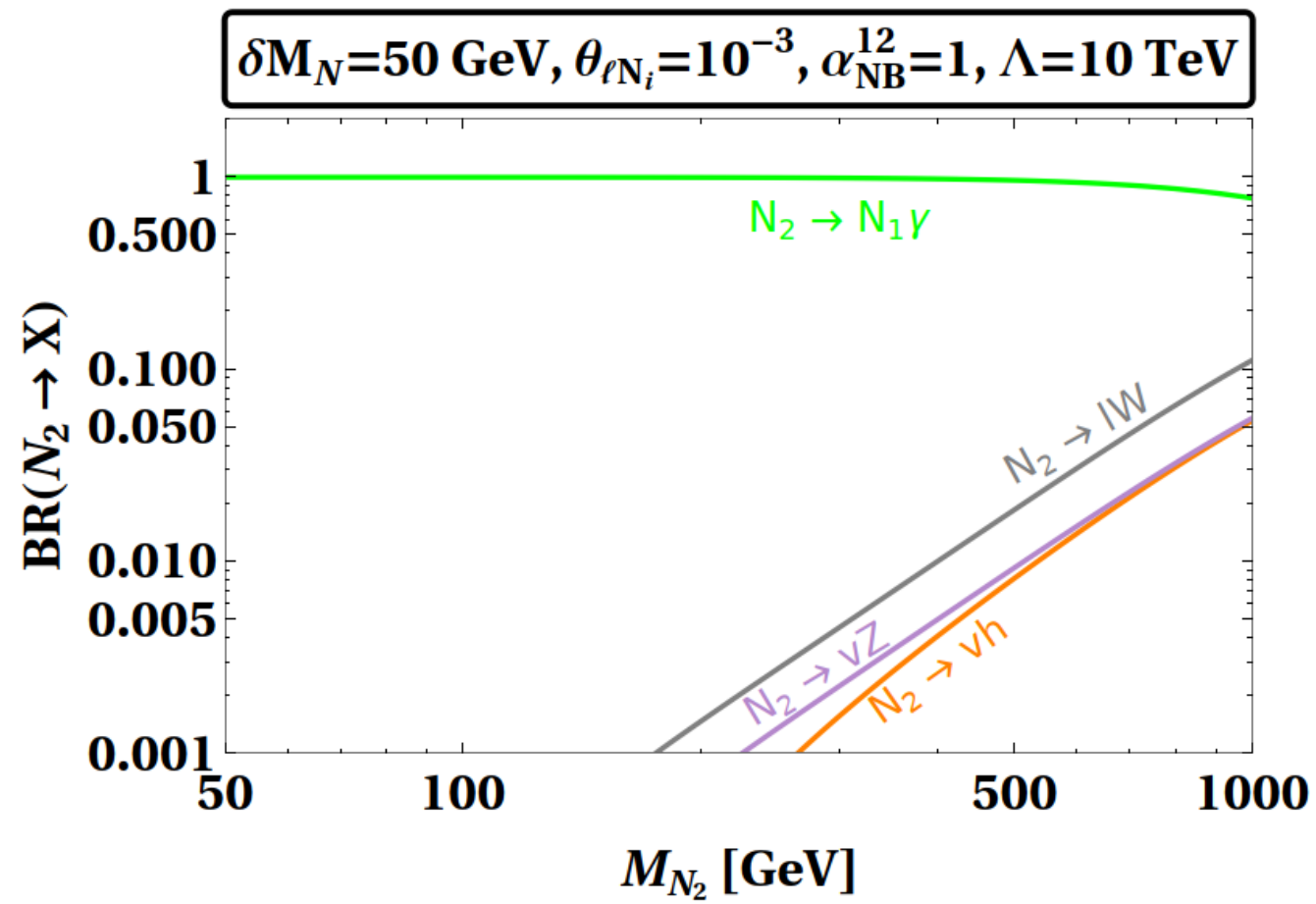
Chun, SM, Padhan 24

$$\mathcal{L}_{NB}^5 = \frac{\alpha_{NB}}{\Lambda} \bar{N}_R^c \sigma_{\mu\nu} N_R B^{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$$


$$\sigma \propto \left(\frac{\alpha_{NB}}{\Lambda} \right)^2$$

$$\sigma_{\text{seesaw}} \propto |V_{eN}|^4$$





Degenerate case: $e^+ e^- \rightarrow N_1 N_2, N_{1,2} \rightarrow \ell_a^\pm W^\mp, W^\mp \rightarrow jj \Rightarrow \ell_a^\pm \ell_b^\pm + 4j$

Non-degenerate case: $N_2 \rightarrow N_1 \gamma, N_1 \rightarrow \ell_a^\pm W^\mp, W^\mp \rightarrow jj \Rightarrow \ell_a^\pm \ell_b^\pm + 4j + \gamma$

Minimal Linear seesaw with extra doublet

Here we realize linear seesaw within the Standard Model Gauge group itself:

$$-\mathcal{L} = Y_N \bar{L} \tilde{\Phi} N_R + \textcolor{red}{Y_S} \bar{L} \tilde{\chi}_L S_R + \bar{N}_R^c M_R S_R + \text{H.c.} \quad \text{with} \quad L[N_R] = 1, L[S_R] = -1, L[\chi_L] = -2$$

SM, Valle et al, 23, 26

$$\mathcal{M}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D & \textcolor{red}{M_L} \\ m_D^T & 0 & M_R \\ \textcolor{red}{M_L}^T & M_R^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

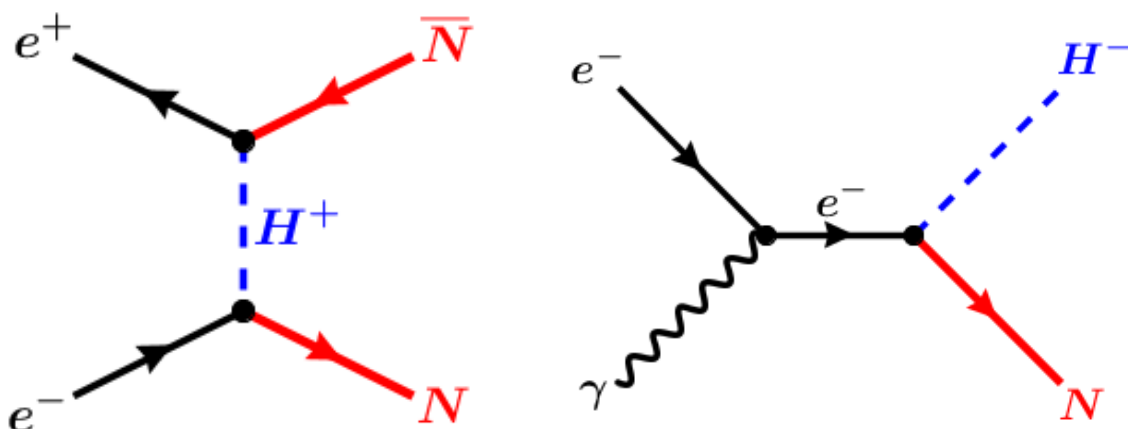
$\textcolor{red}{M_L} \sim Y_S v_\chi$ is small due to small v_χ . We take $Y_S \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$

How to obtain small v_χ ? $\longrightarrow V \subset -(\mu_{12}^2 \Phi^\dagger \chi_L + \text{h.c.})$

break the global $U(1)_L$ lepton symmetry softly in the potential:

This gives the following induced VEV : $v_\chi \approx \frac{\mu_{12}^2 v_\Phi}{m_A^2} \Rightarrow$ small for small μ_{12}

$$Y_S \bar{L} \tilde{\chi}_L S_R \Rightarrow Y_S^\alpha \bar{\ell}_\alpha P_R \hat{N} H^- + \text{h.c.}$$



production is not mixing suppressed

$m_{H^\pm} > M_N$: $\text{BR}(H^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm N) \approx 100\%$, $\text{BR}(N \rightarrow \ell^\pm jj) \approx 15\%$

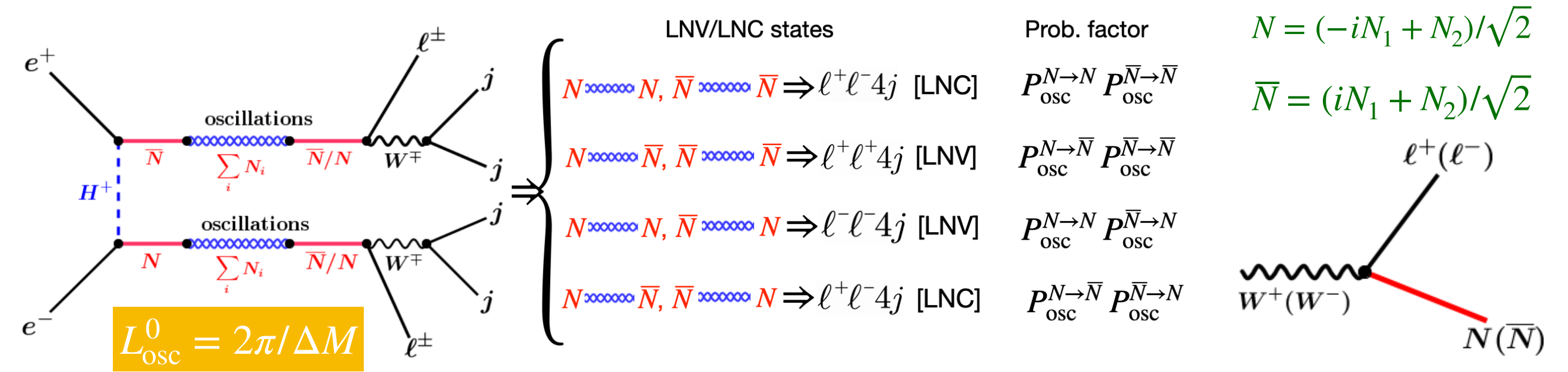
$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow N \bar{N} \begin{cases} \ell^\pm \ell^\pm + 4j \text{ (LNV)} \\ \ell^\pm \ell^\mp + 4j \text{ (LNC)} \end{cases}$$

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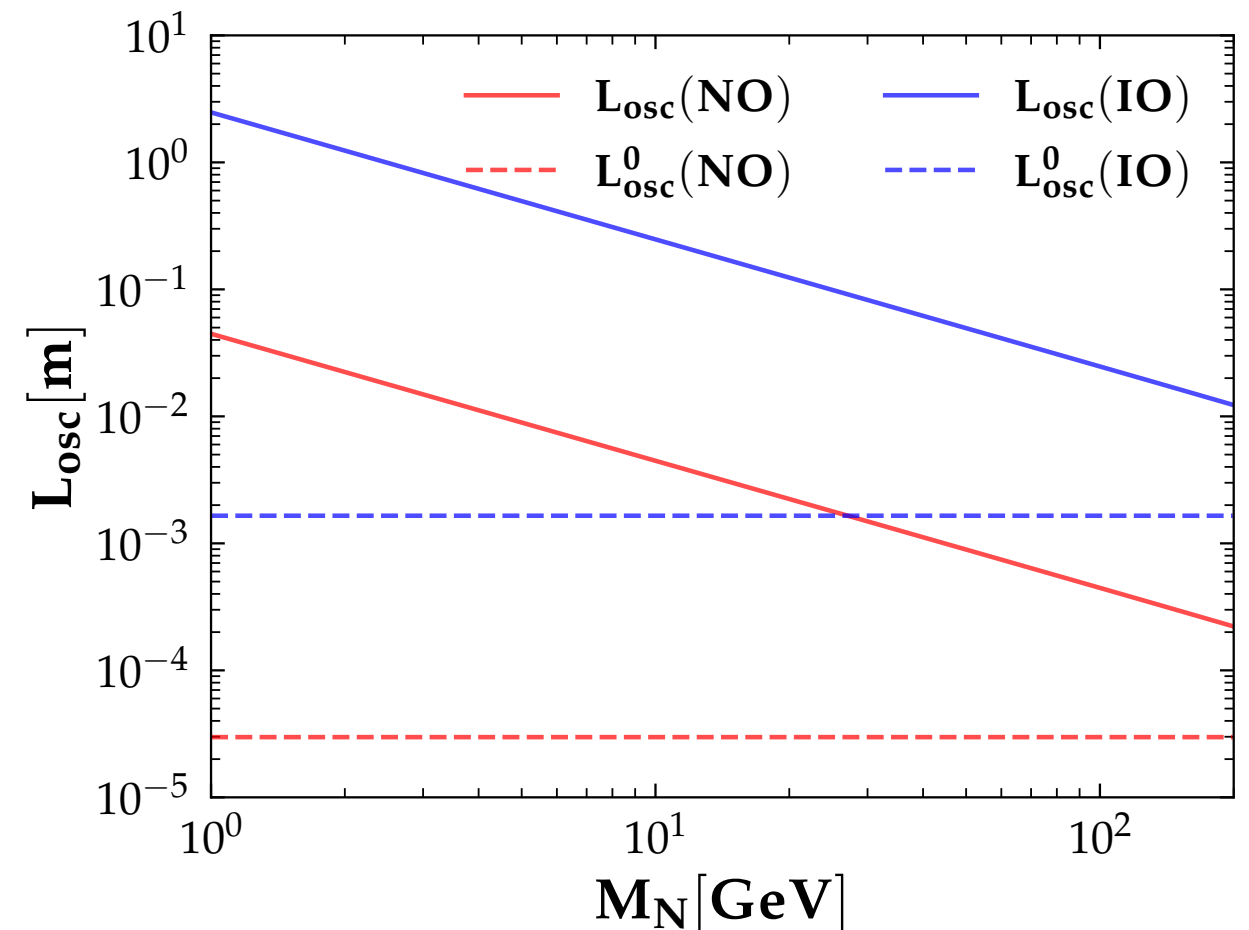
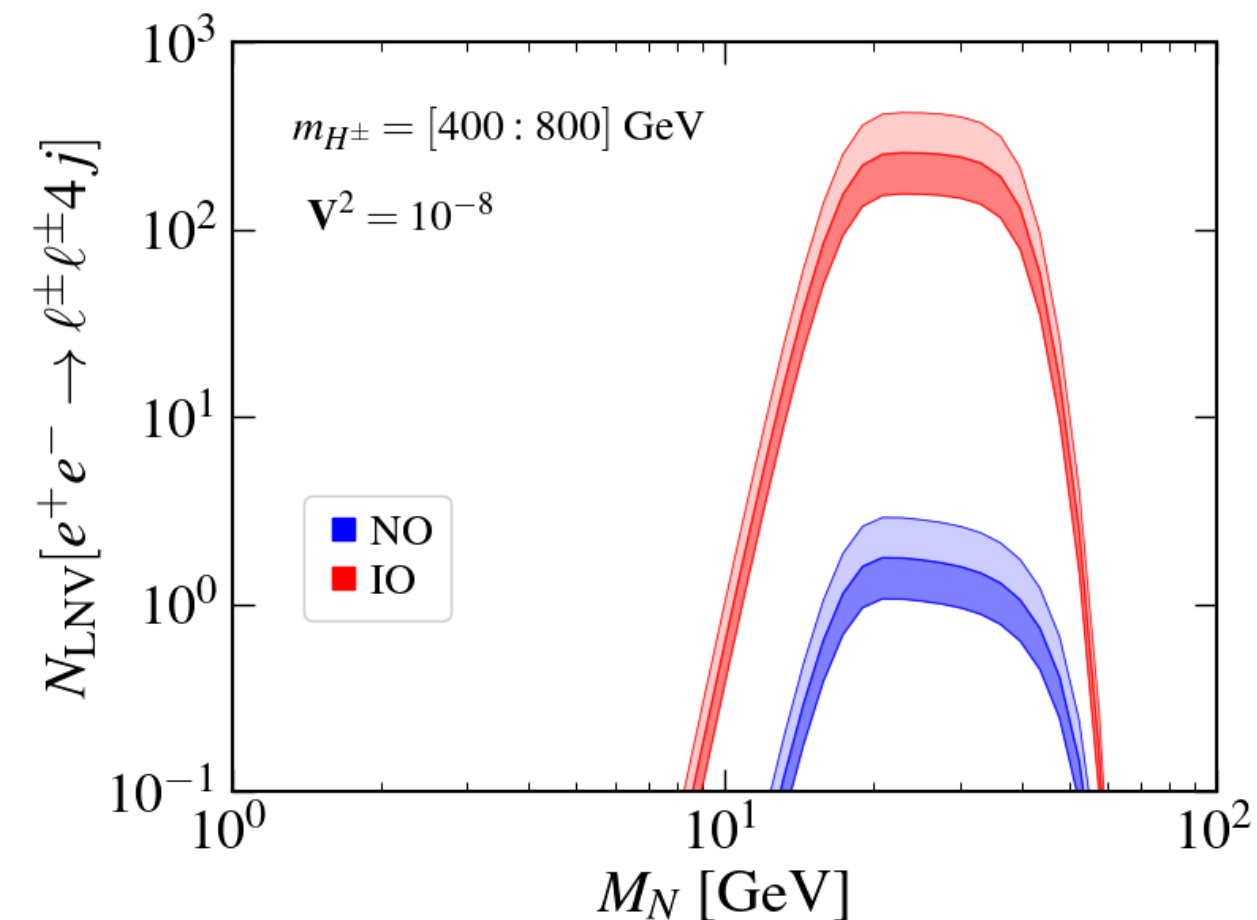
Pair of quasi-Dirac HNL:

$$M_{N_1} = M_R - \frac{\Delta M}{2}, \quad M_{N_2} = M_R + \frac{\Delta M}{2}, \quad \text{with } \Delta M^{\text{NO}}(\Delta M^{\text{IO}}) = \Delta m_{32}(\Delta m_{21})$$

LNC is large for large Y_S but if oscillation is not effective: $\text{LNV} \propto (\Delta M/M_N)^2$



If $\Delta M \ll \Gamma_N$ ($L_N \ll L_{\text{osc}}$), decays before they have time to oscillate: **destructive interference**
 If $\Delta M \gg \Gamma_N$ ($L_N \gg L_{\text{osc}}$), they have time to oscillate many times before decay: **oscillations are averaged out**



Large LNV through Leptoquark ?

Matter stability + RHN coupling

RHN production can be large

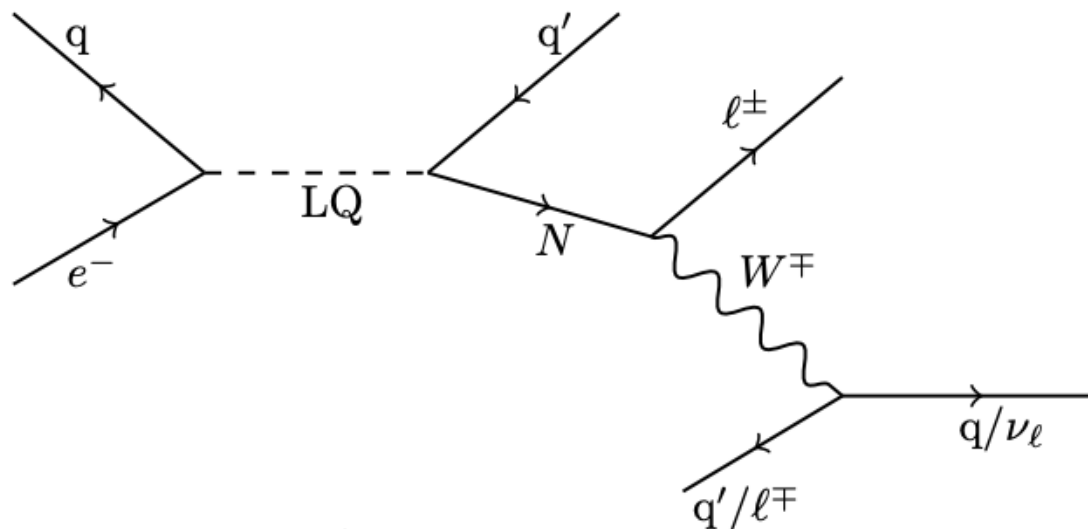
$$\mathcal{L} = -Y_{ij}\bar{d}_R^i \tilde{R}_2^a \epsilon^{ab} L_L^{j,b} + Z_{ij}\bar{Q}_L^{i,a} \tilde{R}_2^a N_R^j + h.c.,$$

$$= -Y_{ij}\bar{d}_R^i e_L^j \tilde{R}_2^{2/3} + (Y U_{\text{PMNS}})_{ij}\bar{d}_R^i \nu_L^j \tilde{R}_2^{-1/3} + (V_{\text{CKM}} Z)_{ij}\bar{u}_L^i N_R^j \tilde{R}_2^{2/3} + Z_{ij}\bar{d}_L^i N_R^j \tilde{R}_2^{-1/3} + h.c.,$$

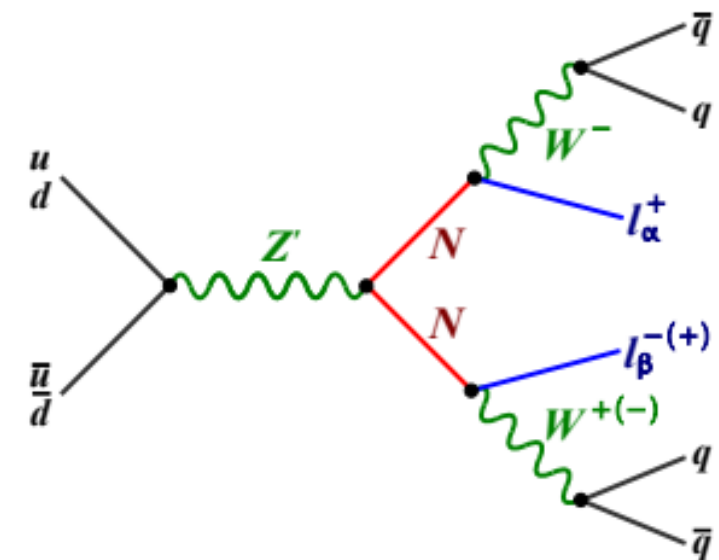
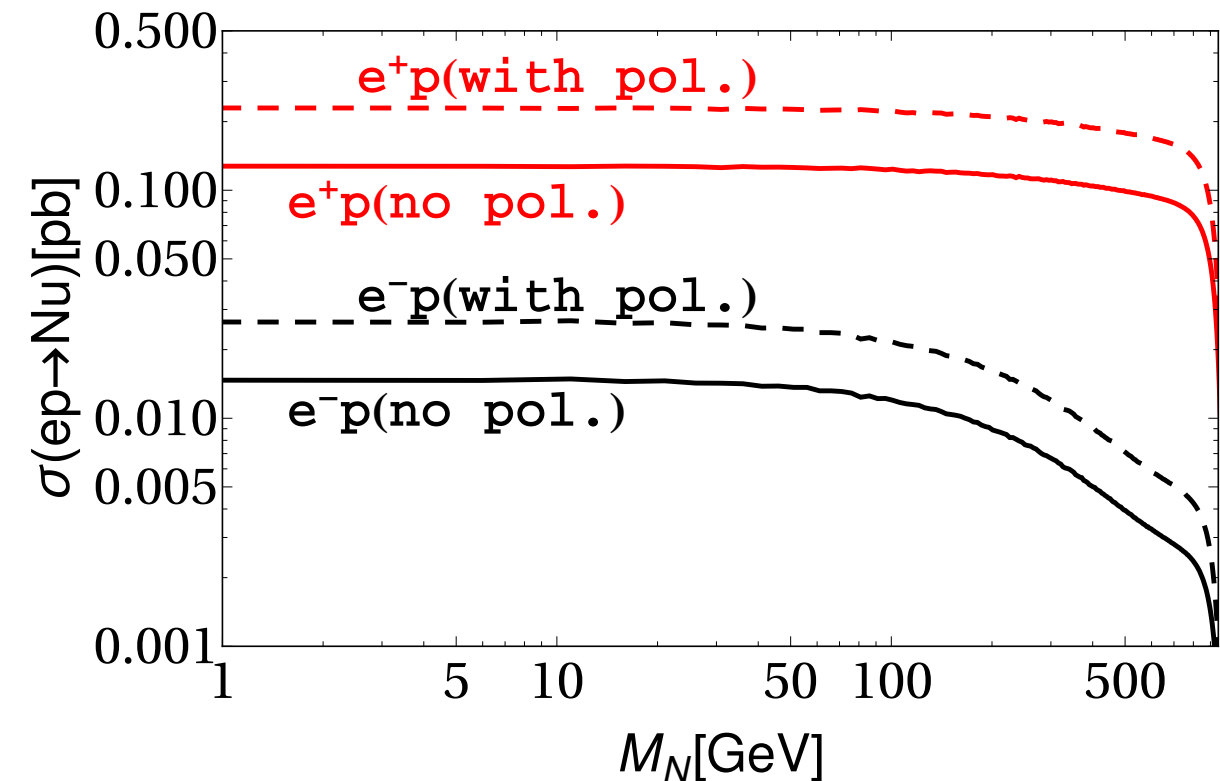
At e^-p and e^+p collider, the relevant couplings are: $e_L^- - \text{LQ} - \bar{d}$ and $e_R^+ - \text{LQ} - d$

Quark parton distribution function is larger than that for anti-quark.

Due to $e_L^- - \text{LQ} - \bar{d}$ and $e_R^+ - \text{LQ} - d$ coupling:
Polarization enhancement



LNV: $e^-p \rightarrow \ell^+ + 3j$



In an effective field theory (EFT) framework, adding **gauge-singlet right-handed neutrinos** N allows a wide class of higher-dimensional operators, such as:

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Dim-5 operators:

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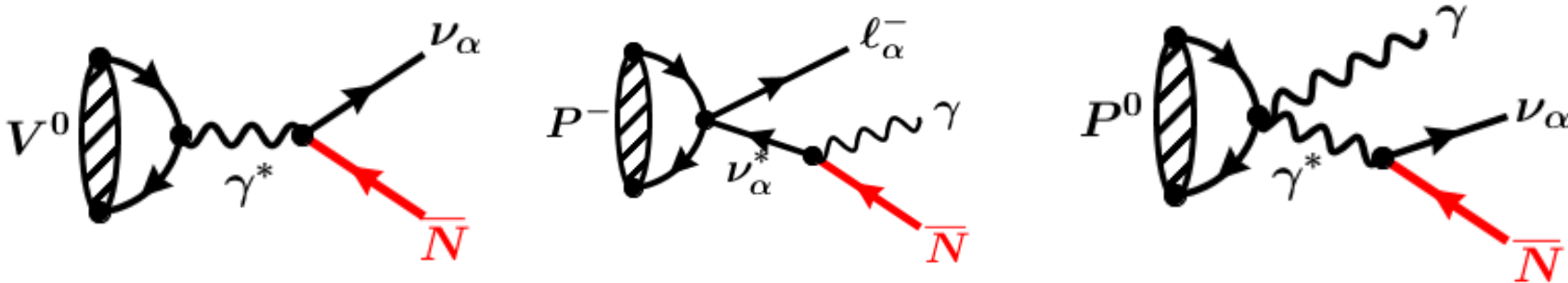
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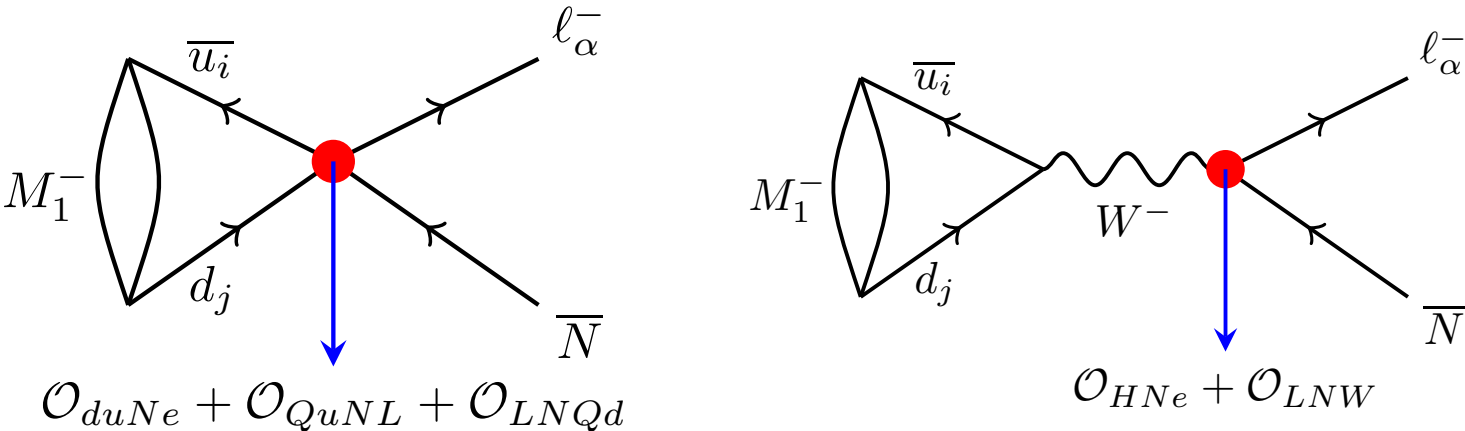
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Production of heavy neutrinos and their decay modes at Beam Dump Experiments will vary depending on what kind of EFT operators we are considering

Dipole portal: $\bar{\nu}\sigma_{\mu\nu}NF^{\mu\nu}$

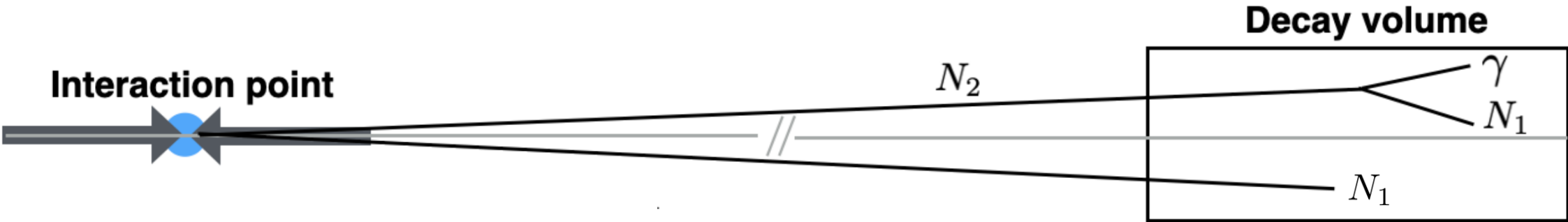
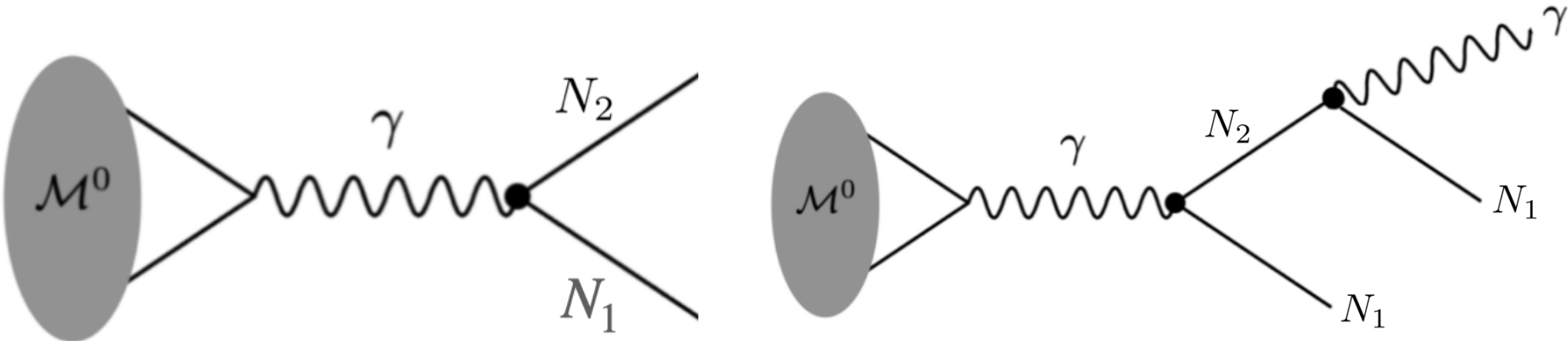


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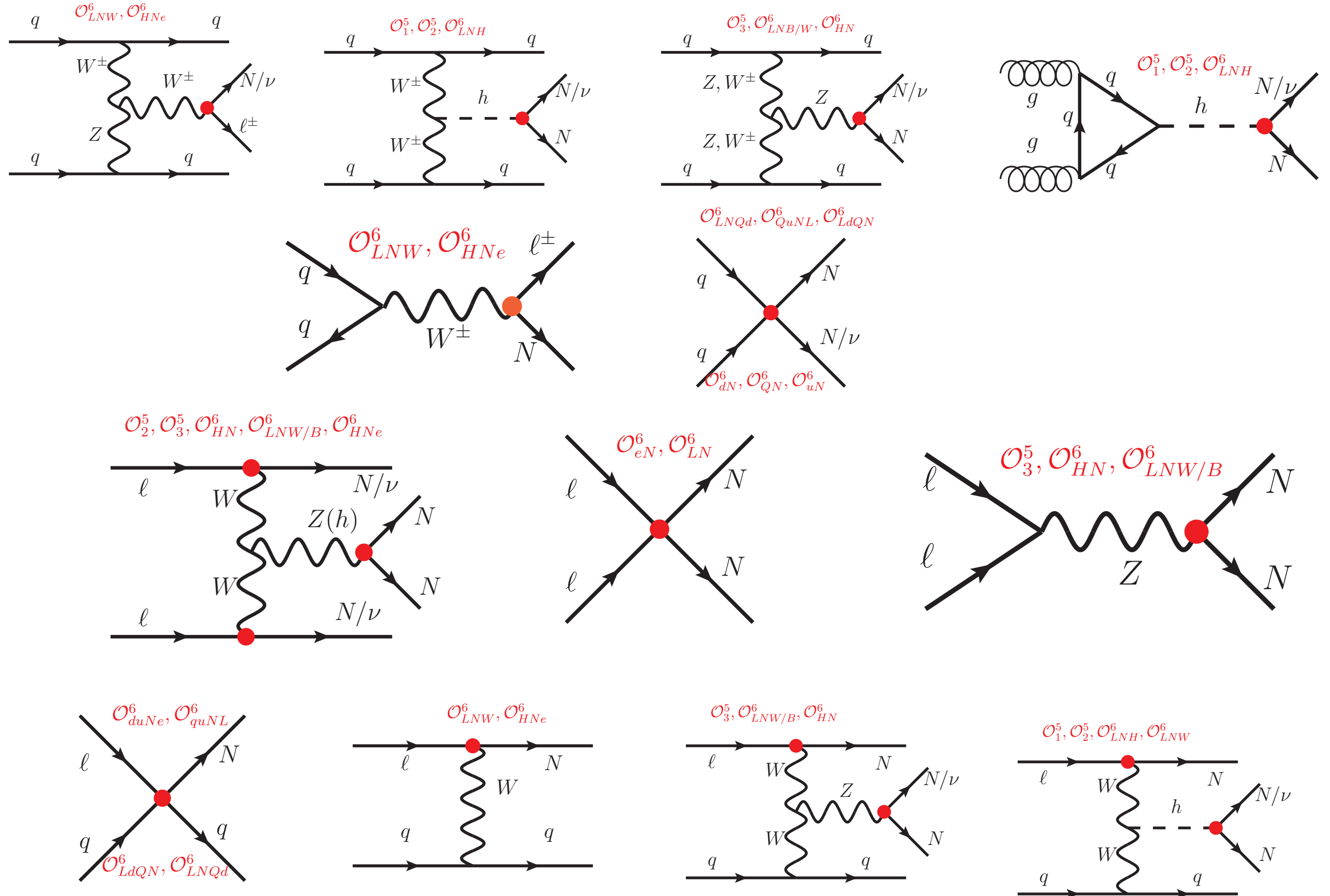


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MMO: $\overline{N}_R^c\sigma_{\mu\nu}N_RB^{\mu\nu}$



Systematic study of all possible heavy neutrino production mechanism



Conclusions

-  Understanding the neutrino mass mechanism will provide important insights into the BSM world
-  Could shed light on other standing puzzles, such as the matter-antimatter asymmetry and dark matter
-  If neutrinos are Majorana particles, the mechanism that generates their mass can generate LNV.
-  Ratio of same-sign to opposite-sign di-lepton signal could test the Majorana vs. Dirac nature
-  $\Delta L = 2$ processes at high energy collider: $pp \rightarrow \ell_{\alpha}^{\pm} \ell_{\beta}^{\pm} jj$, $e^{-}p \rightarrow \ell_{\alpha}^{+} + 3j$,
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-  LNV can be comparable with LNC even for pseudo-Dirac case due to heavy neutrino oscillation

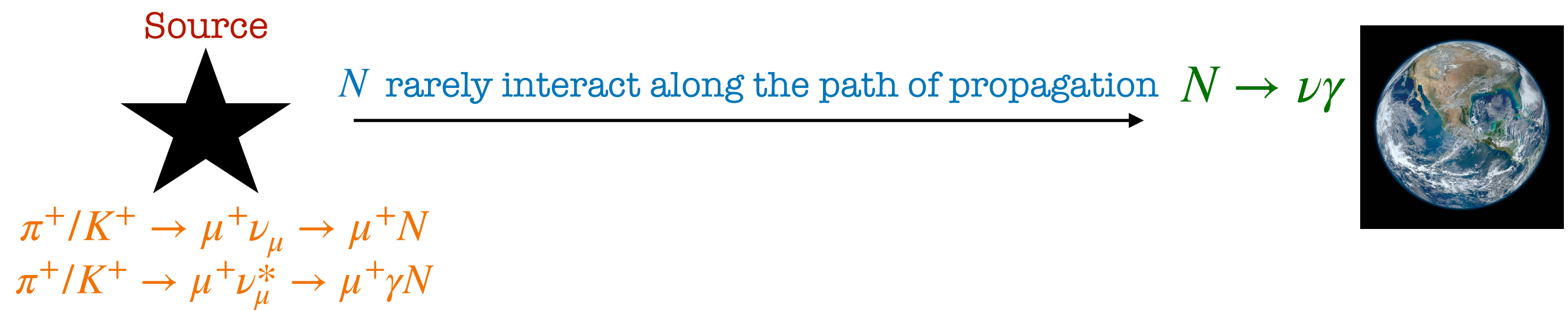
Back Up

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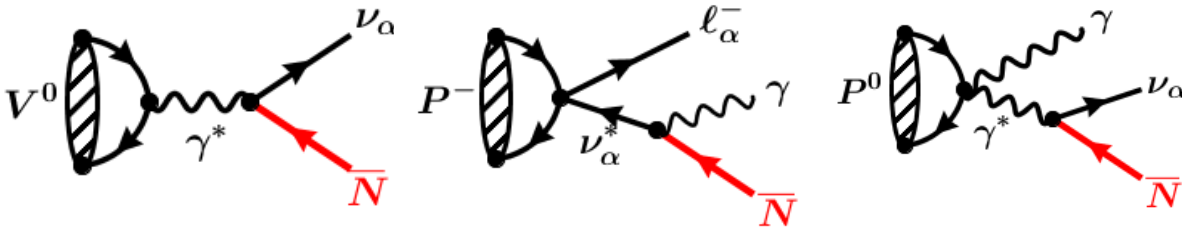
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Dirac/Majorana/pseudo-Dirac nature of RHNs at beam dump experiments via the **time dependence of: $N(\ell^+ \ell^+)$**

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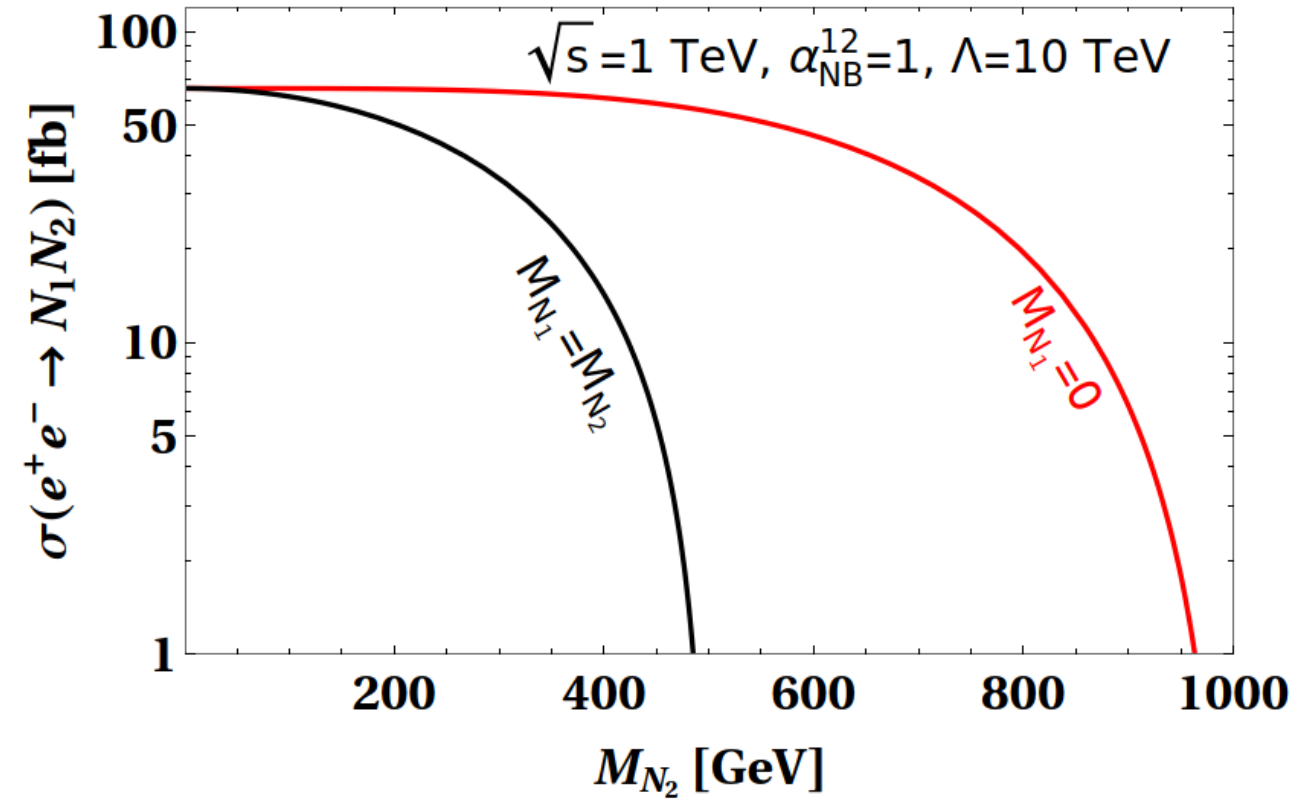
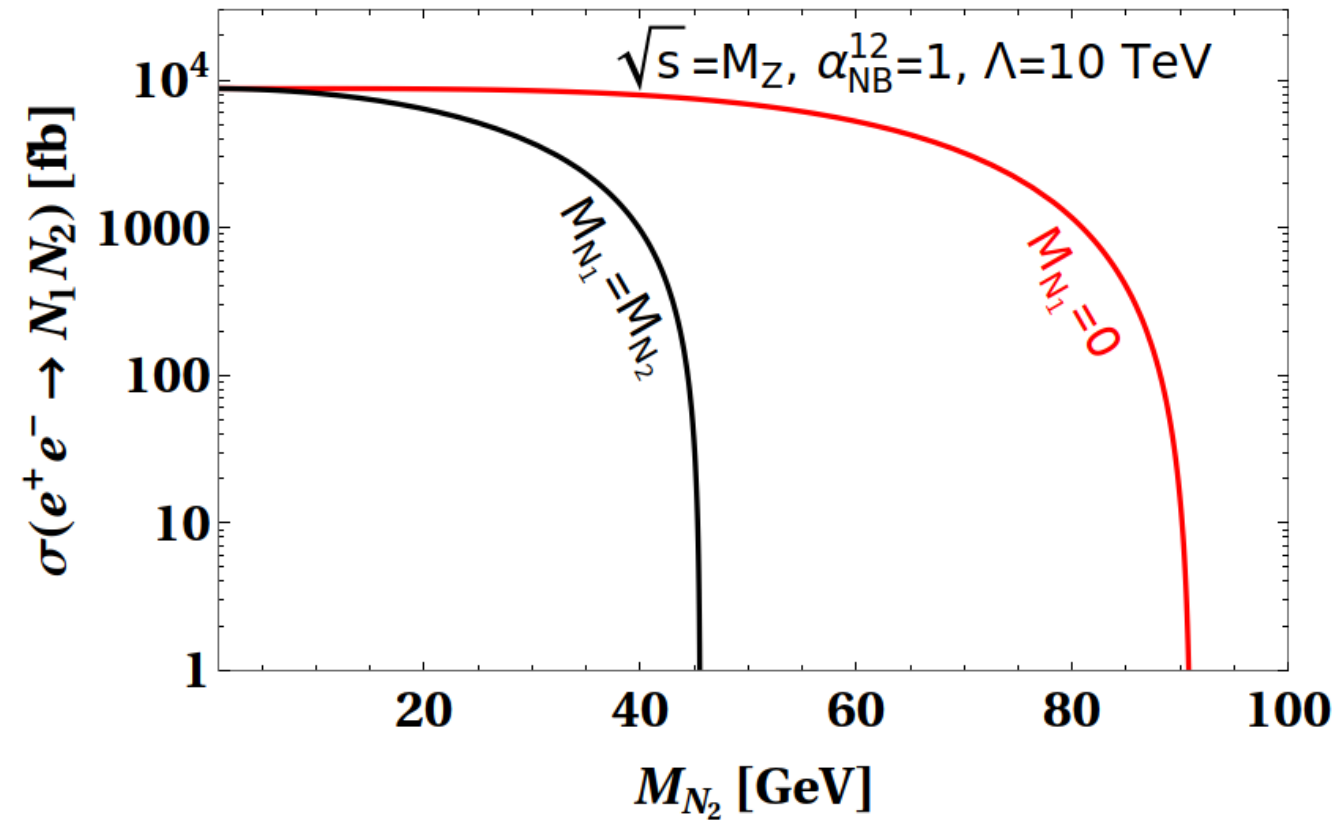
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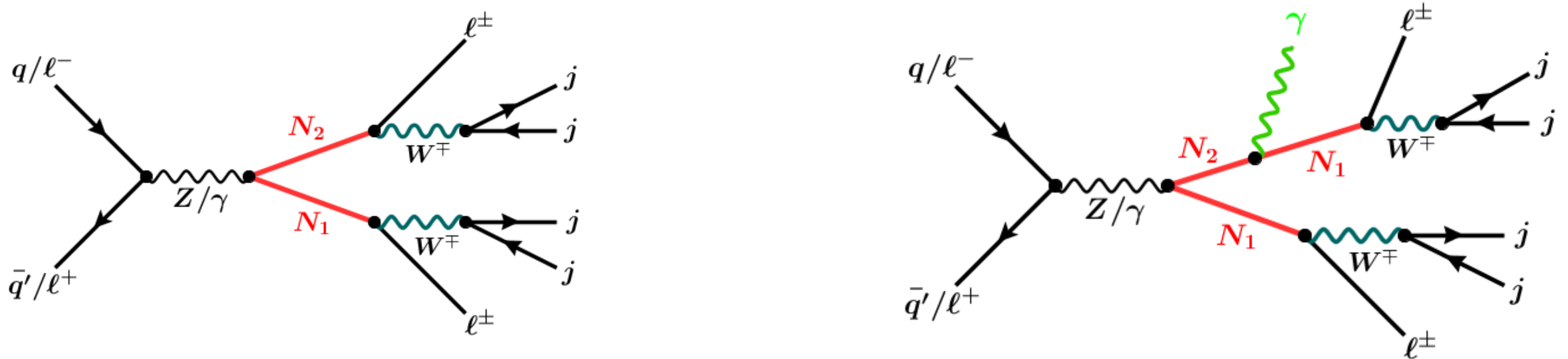
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Large LNV and Dark matter via MMO ?

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Recall: $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow N\nu) \propto |V_{eN}|^2$ but due to MET not suitable to prove LNV or Majorana nature



DM Productions: $f\bar{f} \rightarrow Z/\gamma \rightarrow N_1 N_j$ and $N_j \rightarrow N_1 \gamma$

Stability: $\Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow \nu \gamma) \sim \frac{1}{10^{28} \text{ sec}} \left(\frac{10^{15} \text{ GeV}}{\Lambda} \right)^2 \left(\frac{|\theta|}{10^{-6}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{M_{N_1}}{1 \text{ MeV}} \right)^3$

Heavy neutrinos as messengers of high energy Gamma-Ray Burst

GRB221009A: Swift-BAT+GBM+LHAASO observed very high energy ($E_\gamma \sim 18$ TeV) long-duration gamma rays from a gamma-ray burst named as GRB221009A at a red-shift of $z=0.151$ (645 Mpc)

Possible source: may have been caused by a massive star undergoing a supernova or by the birth of a black hole. Lots of pions, kaons productions and $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Why unexpected: loose energy via pair creation, Compton scattering, and other mechanisms.

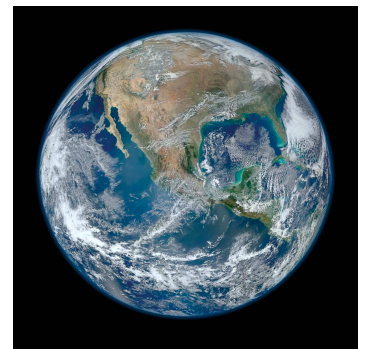
Possible explanation: transitional magnetic dipole moment:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_\nu \bar{\nu}_L \sigma_{\mu\nu} N_R F^{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.} \quad \longrightarrow \quad N \rightarrow \nu\gamma$$

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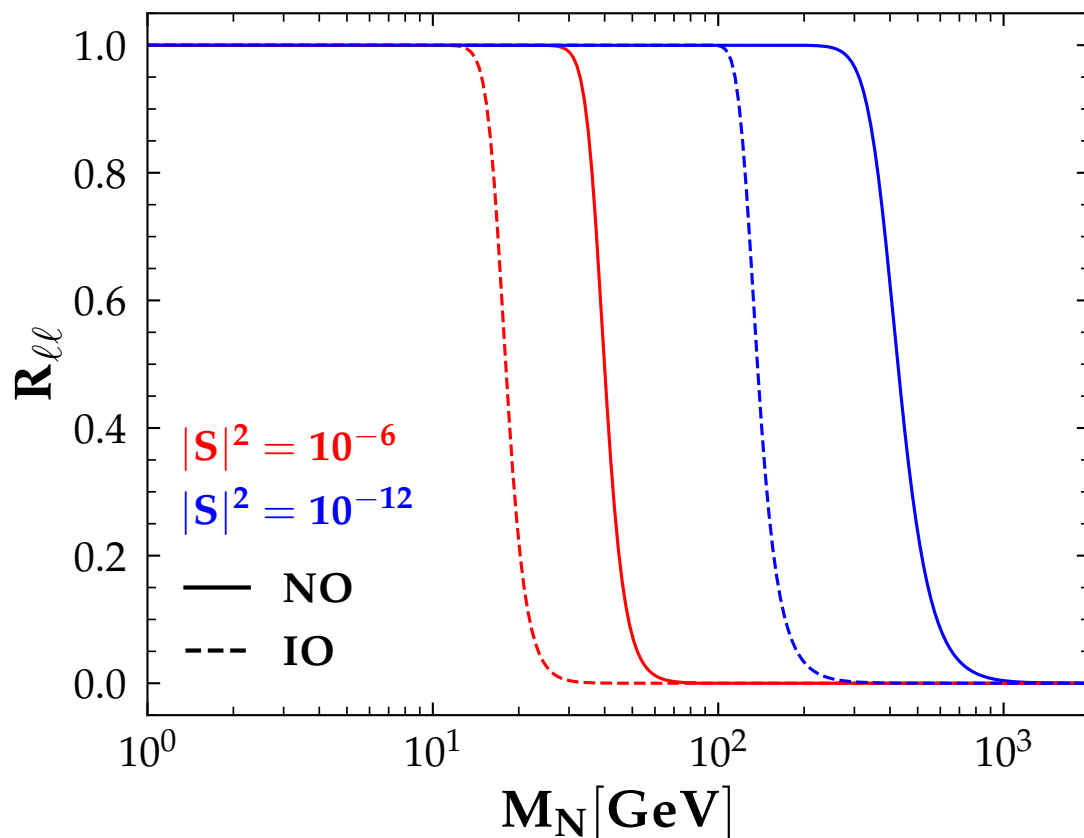


N rarely interact along the path of propagation $N \rightarrow \nu\gamma$



$$\begin{aligned} \pi^+/K^+ &\rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu \rightarrow \mu^+ N \\ \pi^+/K^+ &\rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \gamma N \end{aligned}$$

Dirac/Majorana/pseudo-Dirac nature of RHNs at beam dump experiments



Oscillation is effective:
 $\Delta M/\Gamma_N \gg 1$ for small M_N

Majorana: $N(\ell^+\ell^+)$ (time independent)

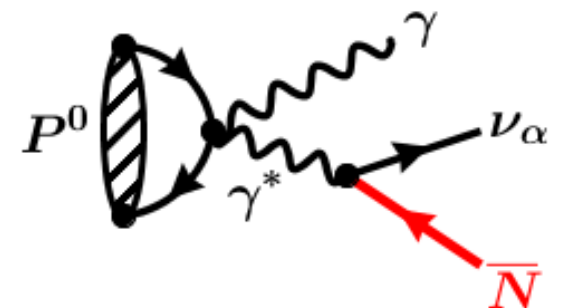
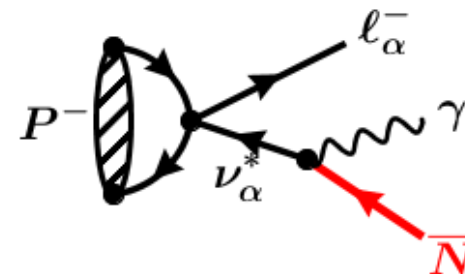
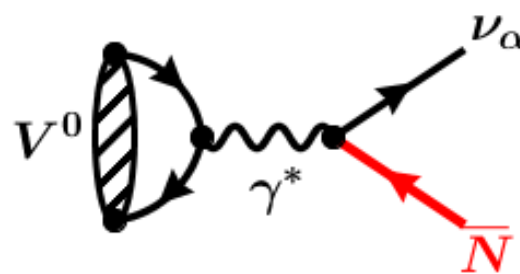
Pseudo-Dirac: $N(\ell^+\ell^+)$ (time/position independent)

Dirac: $N(\ell^+\ell^+)=0$ **FASER, FASER2, SHiP**

Other projects:

Production of heavy neutrinos and their decay modes at Beam Dump Experiments will vary depending on what kind of EFT operators we are considering

Dipole portal: $\bar{\nu}\sigma_{\mu\nu}NF^{\mu\nu}$



The Connection between Dirac Neutrinos and Dark Matter Stability

Is it testable??

Seesaw mass: $m_\nu \approx m_D M_R^{-1} m_D^T = \frac{v^2}{2} Y_\nu M_R^{-1} Y_\nu^T$

Casas-Ibarra parameterisation:

$Y_\nu \approx \frac{\sqrt{2}}{v_\Phi} U_{\text{PMNS}}^\dagger \sqrt{m_\nu^{\text{diag}}} R \sqrt{M_R}$ with $R^T R = 1$ arXiv:hep-ph/0103065

$R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \cos y & \sin y \\ -\sin y & \cos y \end{pmatrix}$ for **NO** ($m_1 = 0$) and $R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos y & \sin y \\ -\sin y & \cos y \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ for **IO** ($m_3 = 0$). **Complex:** $y = a + ib$

With $R = I \Rightarrow$

High scale: If $m_\nu = 0.1\text{eV}$ and $Y_\nu \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \Rightarrow M_R \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV}$ and $V \sim 10^{-12}$
=> out of reach at colliders

Low scale: If $m_\nu = 0.1\text{eV}$ and $M_R \sim 1 \text{ TeV} \Rightarrow Y_\nu \sim 10^{-6}$ and $V \sim 10^{-7}$
=> still difficult to probe at colliders due to suppressed mixing

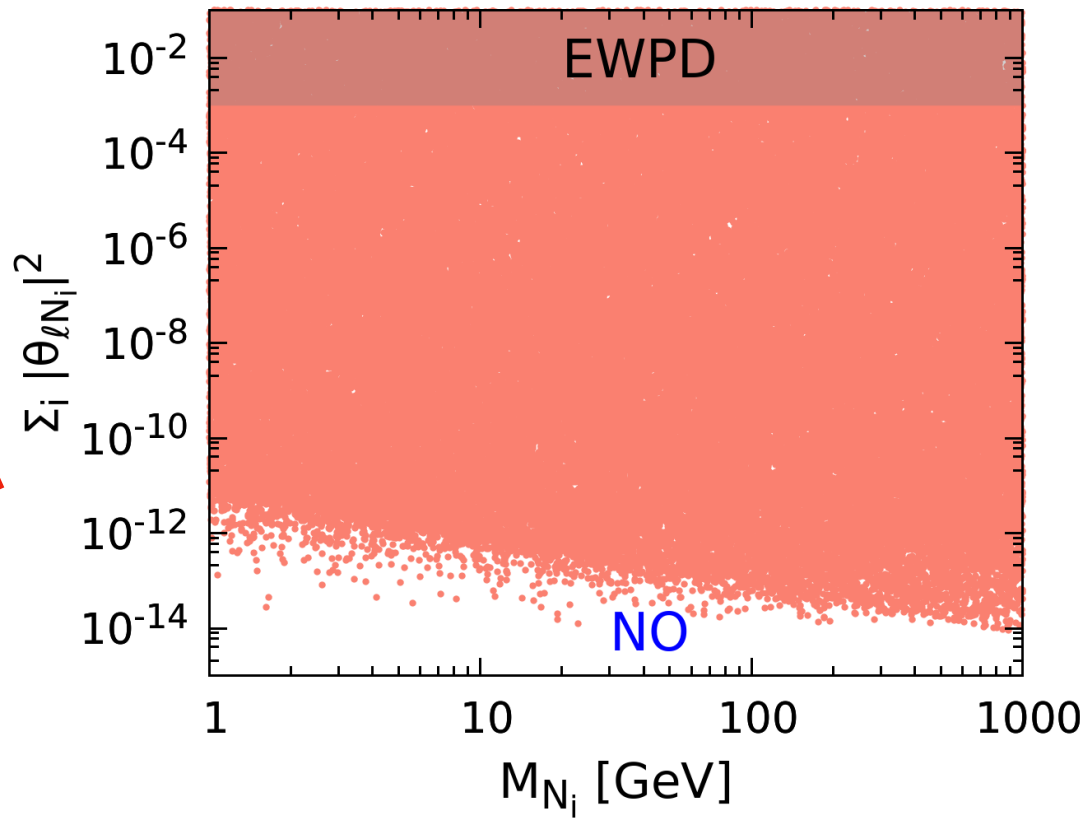
With $R = \text{arbitrary} \Rightarrow$

Order parameter: $\theta_p^2 = \text{Tr}(V^\dagger V)$ $y = a + ib$

$$\theta_p^2 = \mp \frac{(m_3 - m_2)\delta M_N \cos(2a)}{2M_{N_1}M_{N_2}} + \frac{(m_2 + m_3)(M_{N_1} + M_{N_2})\cosh(2b)}{2M_{N_1}M_{N_2}}$$

large b $\xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \frac{(m_2 + m_3)(M_{N_1} + M_{N_2})\exp(2b)}{2M_{N_1}M_{N_2}}$

Large mixing even for low M_N



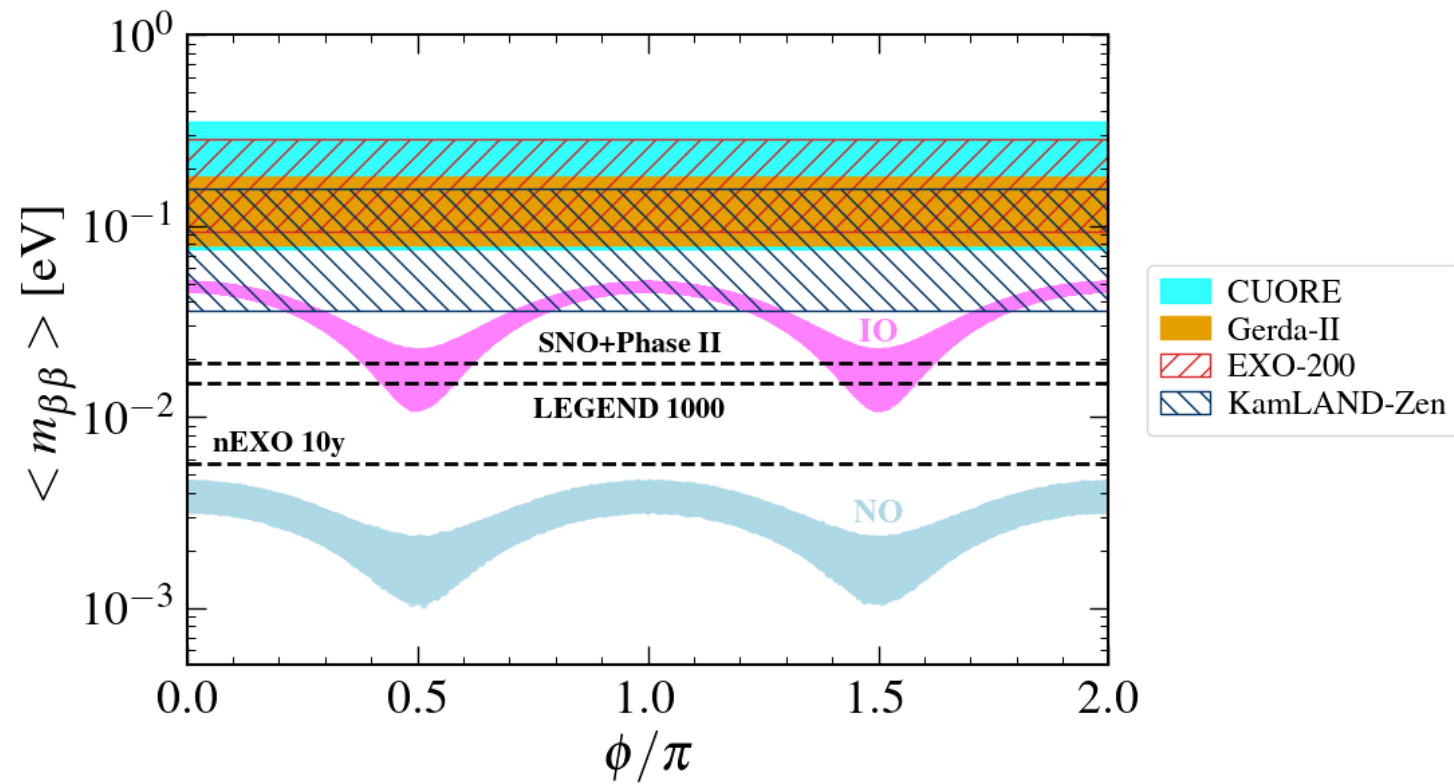
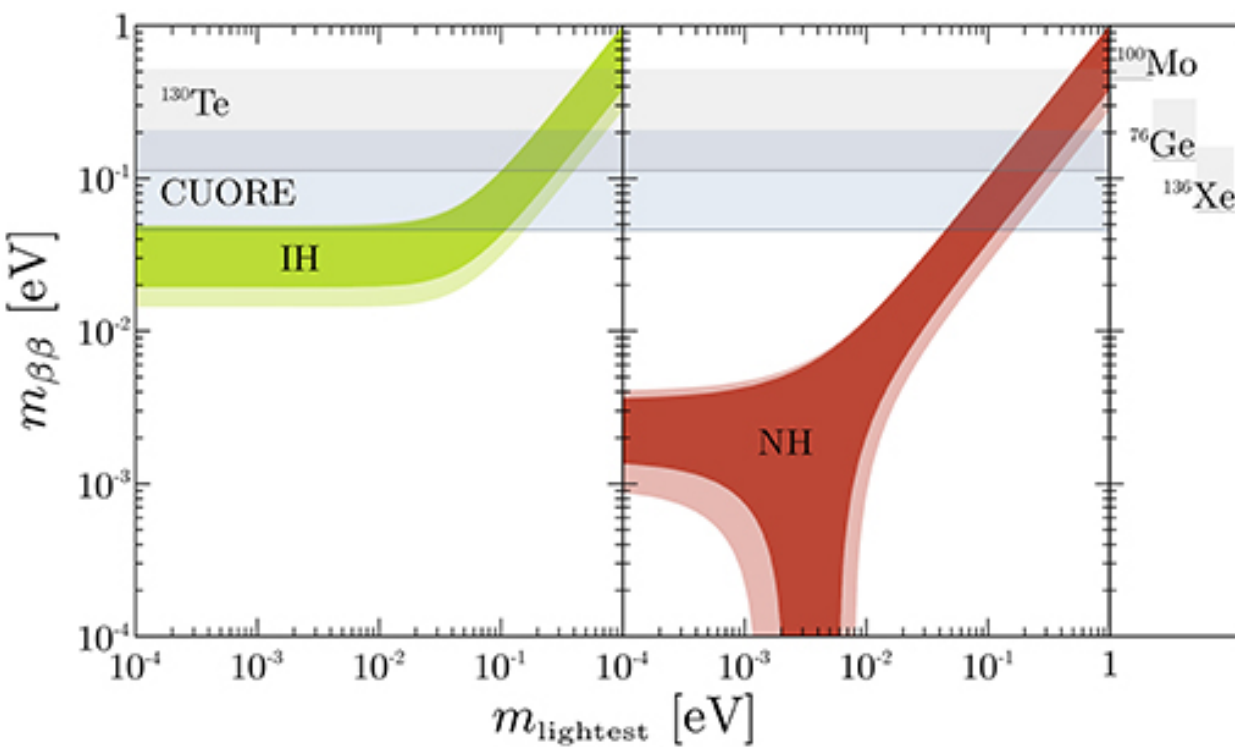
$0\nu\beta\beta$ with one neutrino massless

$$\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle = \left| \sum_j U_{\nu,ej}^2 m_j \right| = \left| \cos \theta_{12}^2 \cos \theta_{13}^2 m_1 + \sin \theta_{12}^2 \cos \theta_{13}^2 m_2 e^{2i\phi_{12}} + \sin \theta_{13}^2 m_3 e^{2i\phi_{13}} \right|$$

As $m_1 = 0$, only one Majorana phase

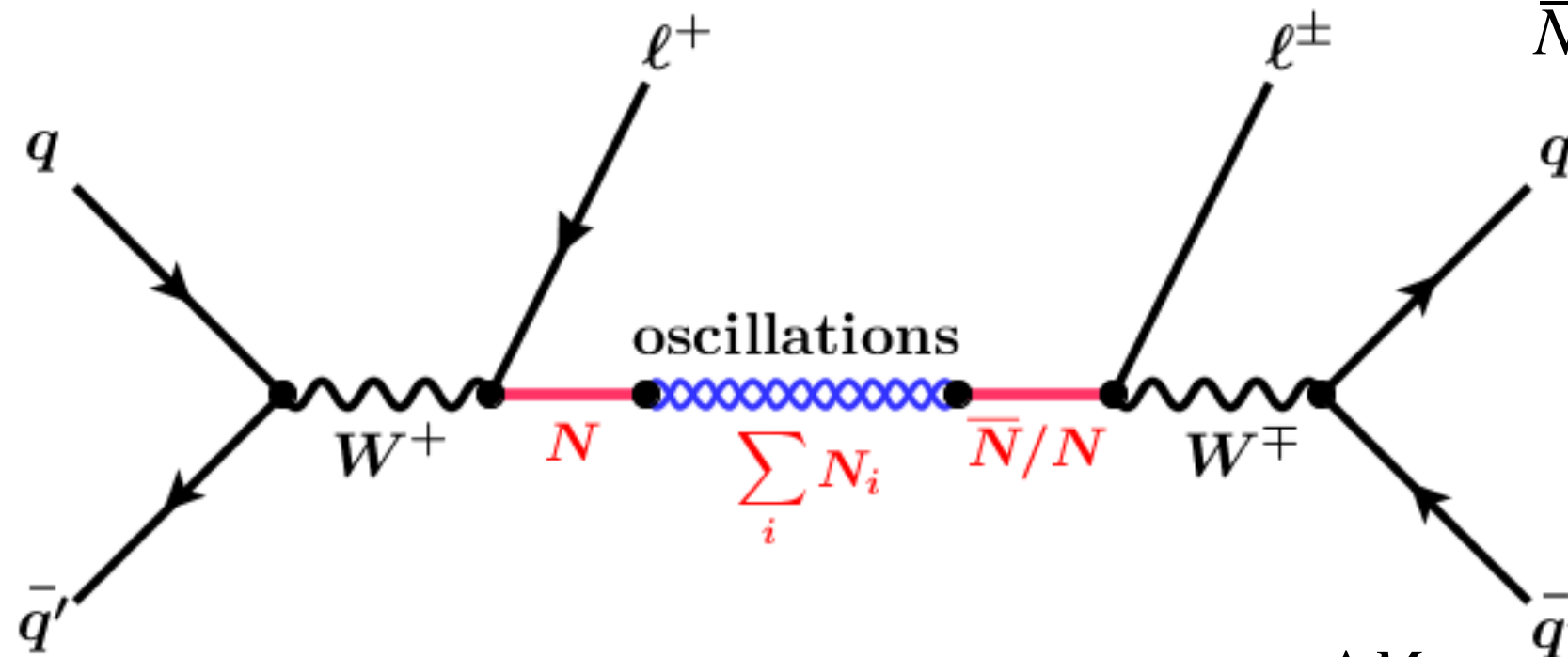
$\phi \equiv \phi_{12} - \phi_{13} \Rightarrow 0\nu\beta\beta$ has lower limit

SM, Valle, Srivastava 2104.13401

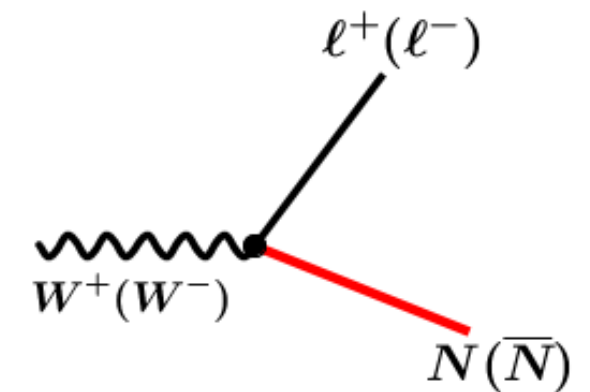


LNV from heavy neutrino oscillation

Oscillations for on-shell heavy neutrinos:



N is produced together with ℓ^+
 $\bar{N}$ is produced together with ℓ^-



$$N = (-iN_1 + N_2)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$\bar{N} = (iN_1 + N_2)/\sqrt{2}$$

Hirsch et al, 1607.05641

SM et al, 2305.00994

$$N(t) = g_+(t) N + g_-(t) \bar{N}$$

$$\bar{N}(t) = g_-(t) N + g_+(t) \bar{N}$$

$$g_+(t) = e^{-iM_N t} e^{-\frac{\Gamma_N t}{2}} \cos\left(\frac{\Delta M t}{2}\right)$$

$$g_-(t) = i e^{-iM_N t} e^{-\frac{\Gamma_N t}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\Delta M t}{2}\right)$$

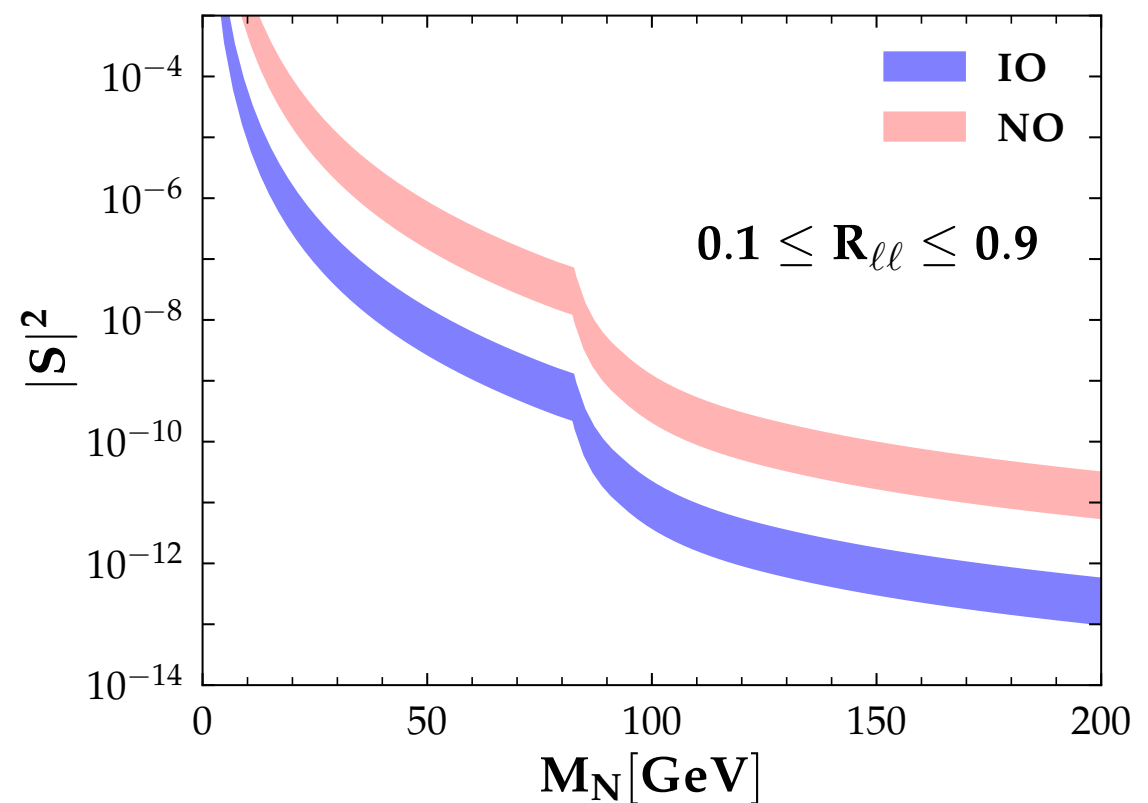
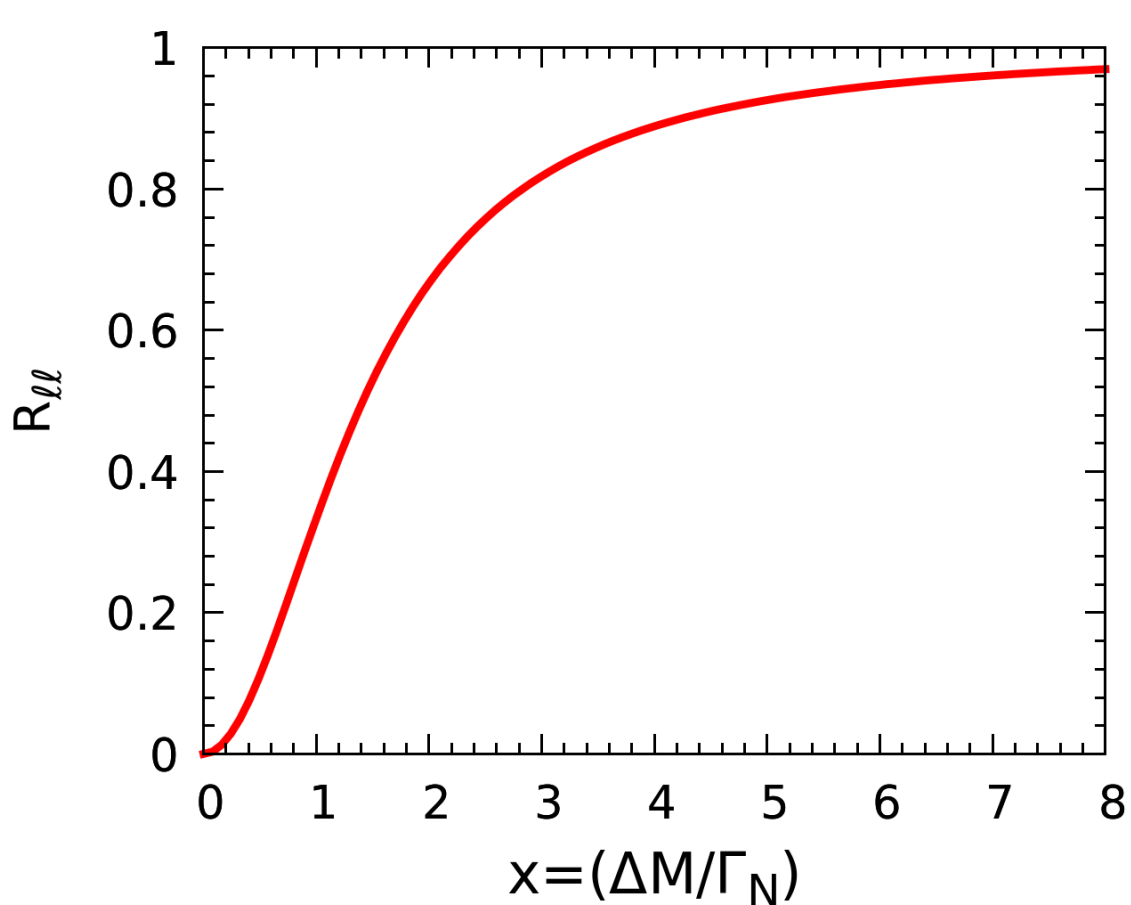
$$\text{LNV} \sim \int_0^t |g_-|^2 dt \quad \text{and} \quad \text{LNC} \sim \int_0^t |g_+|^2 dt$$

$$R = \frac{\# \text{LNV}}{\# \text{LNC}} = \frac{\Delta M^2}{2\Gamma_N^2 + \Delta M^2} = \frac{x^2}{2 + x^2} \quad \text{with } x = \frac{\Delta M}{\Gamma_N}$$

If $\Delta M \ll \Gamma_N$ ($L_N \ll L_{\text{osc}}$), decays before they have time to oscillate: **destructive interference**

If $\Delta M \gg \Gamma_N$ ($L_N \gg L_{\text{osc}}$), they have time to oscillate many times before decay: **oscillations are averaged out**

$R \rightarrow 1$ (pure Majorana), $R \rightarrow 0$ (pure Dirac) and $R \rightarrow [0 : 1]$ (pseudo-Dirac)



LNv via virtual propagation: $\Delta M / M_N$

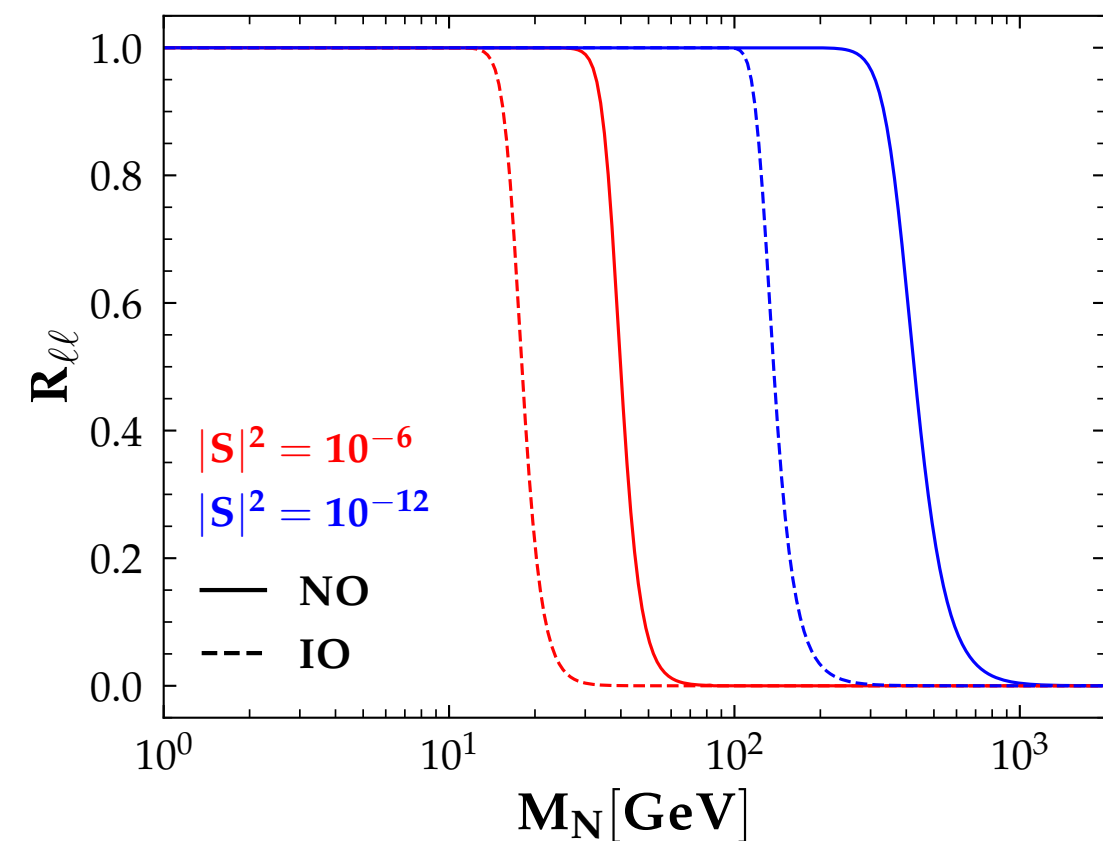
LNv via on-shell propagation: $\Delta M / \Gamma_N$

For any neutrino mass model: $\sigma(\text{LNv}) = \sigma(\text{LNC}) R$

$R = [0 : 1]$ depending on the nature of heavy neutrinos

In usual seesaw models: $\sigma(\text{LNC}) \propto |V_{\ell N}|^2$,

Hence if $R < 1$, $\sigma(\text{LNv})$ will be even smaller



Goal: enhance $\sigma(\text{LNC})$ such that even for $R \ll 1$, $\sigma(\text{LNv})$ is large enough

How to obtain small v_χ ? Break the global $U(1)_L$ lepton symmetry softly in the potential:

$$V = -\mu_\Phi^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi - \mu_\chi^2 \chi_L^\dagger \chi_L + \lambda_1 (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2 + \lambda_2 (\chi_L^\dagger \chi_L)^2 + \lambda_3 \chi_L^\dagger \chi_L \Phi^\dagger \Phi + \lambda_4 \chi_L^\dagger \Phi \Phi^\dagger \chi_L - (\mu_{12}^2 \Phi^\dagger \chi_L + H.c.)$$

This gives the following induced VEV : $v_\chi \approx \frac{\mu_{12}^2 v_\Phi}{m_A^2} \Rightarrow$ small for small μ_{12} Soft term

Physical scalars: $h, H, A, H^\pm$

Without the term $\mu_{12}^2 \Phi^\dagger \chi_L$, $m_A = 0$ (doublet majoron)

$\Rightarrow$ Excluded from invisible Z decay width at LEP

Model parameters (2HDM)

$m_H, m_A, m_{H^\pm}$ and α (h-H mixing),
 $\tan \beta = v_\Phi / v_\chi$

Model parameters (our case)

In the limit $v_\chi \rightarrow 0$, $\alpha \approx 0, \beta \approx \pi/2$

Effectively one parameter: $\Rightarrow m_H \approx m_A \approx m_{H^\pm}$

Suppressed: $(H/A)WW, (H/A)ZZ, (H/A)\ell\ell, (H/A)qq,$
 $AhZ, H^\pm qq', H^\pm W^\mp h \sim \mathcal{O}(v_\chi/v)$

Case 1: $m_{H^\pm}, m_{H/A} < M_{N_i}$

Case 2: $m_{H/A}, m_{H^\pm} > M_{N_i}$

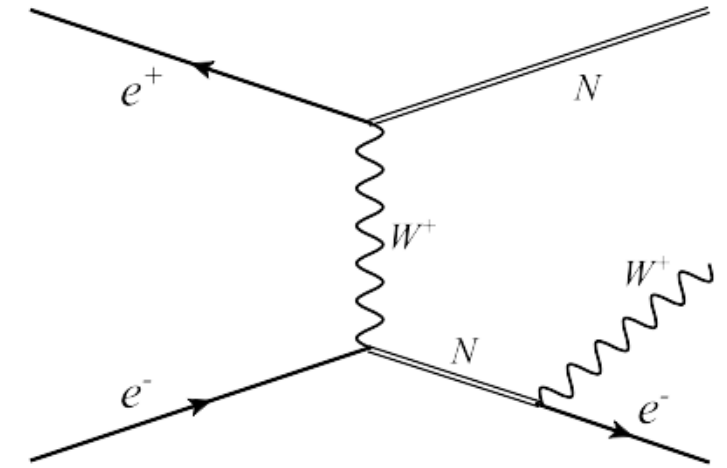
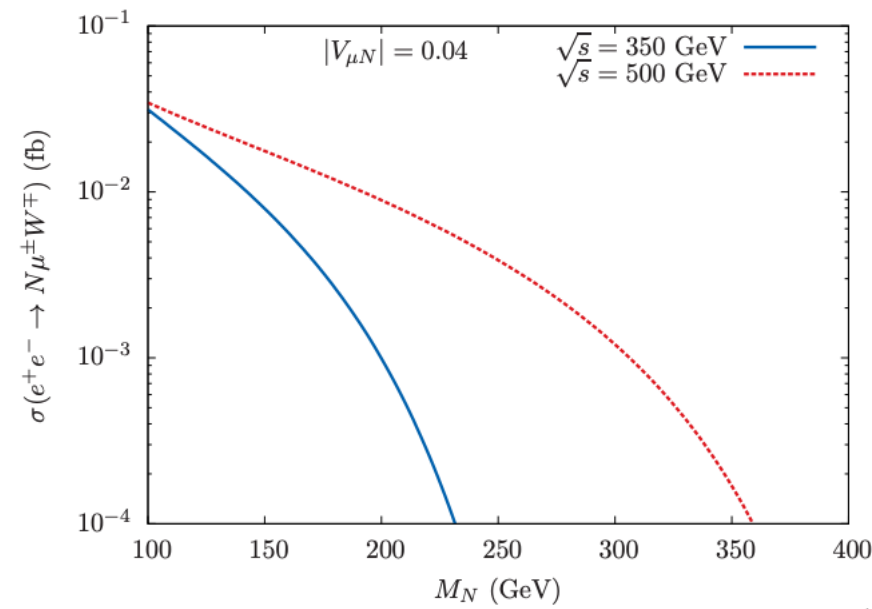
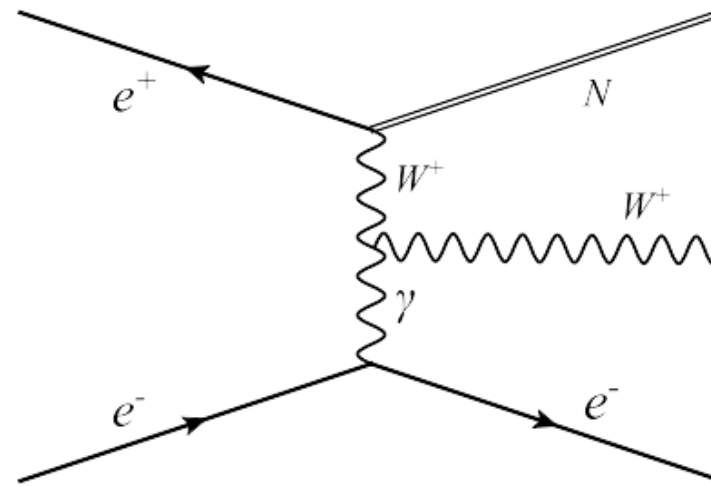
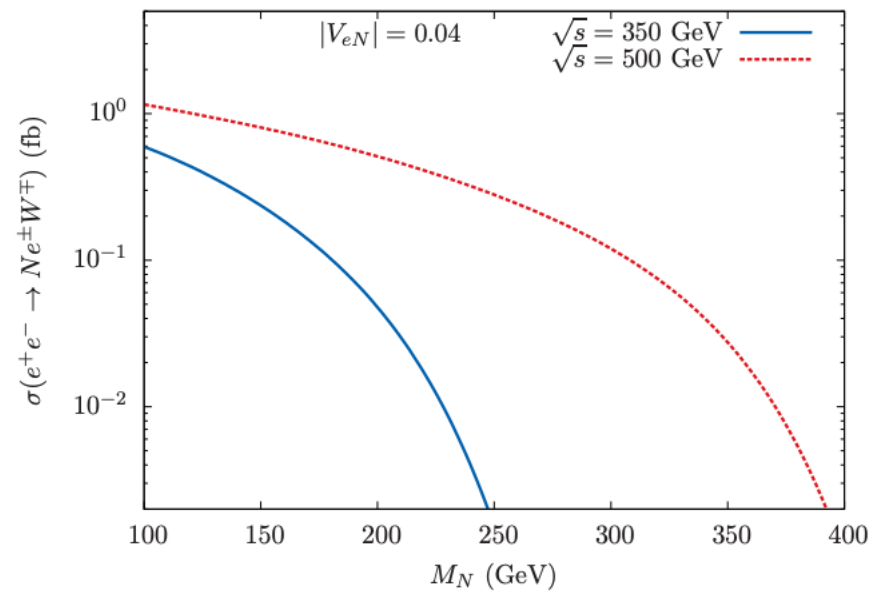
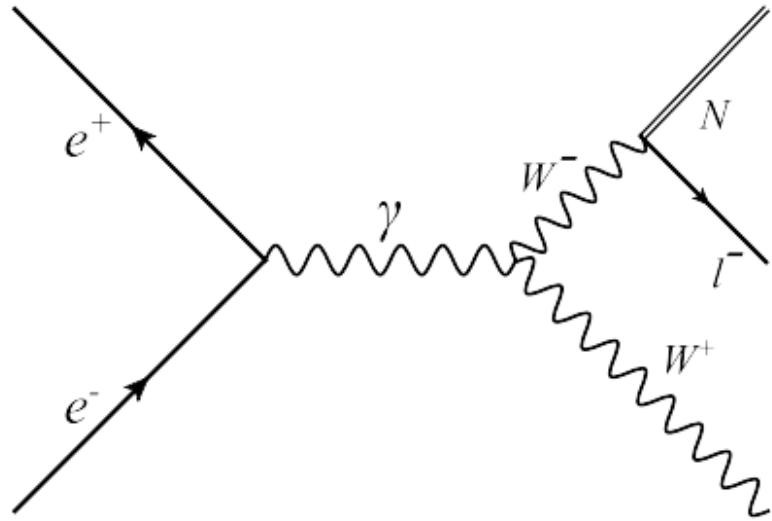
Collider phenomenology is different from 2HDM

✗ $\text{BR}(H^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu) \approx 1$
 $\text{BR}(H/A \rightarrow \nu\nu) \approx 1$

$\text{BR}(H^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm N) \approx 1$
 $\text{BR}(H/A \rightarrow \nu N) \approx 1$

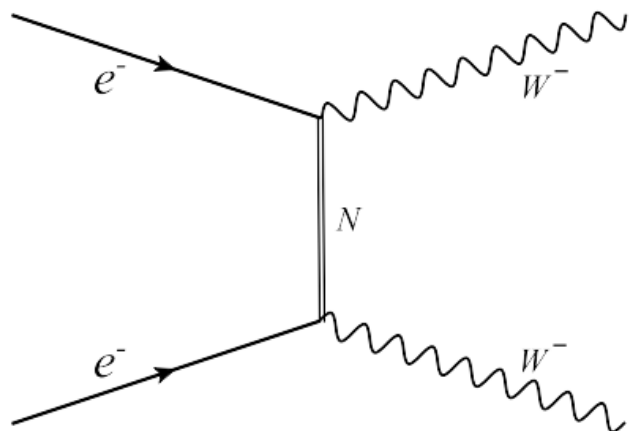
$H^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm N, N \rightarrow \ell^\pm W^*, W^* \rightarrow jj$

Probing Majorana nature at lepton collider....



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow N \ell_\beta^\pm W^\mp$$

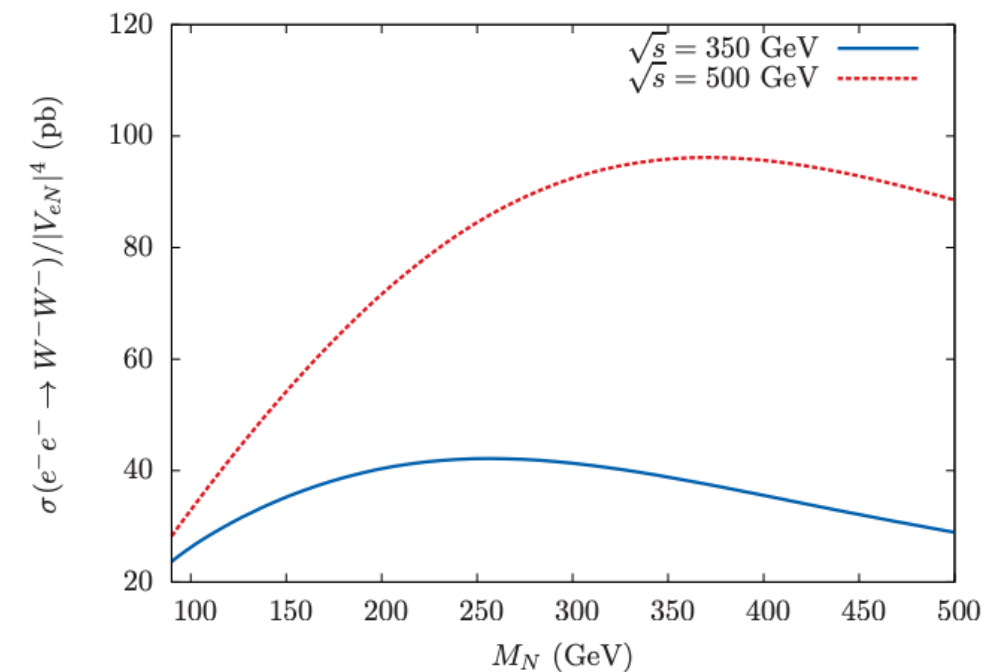
$$\ell_\alpha^\pm \ell_\beta^\mp + 4j \text{ (LNC)} \quad \ell_\alpha^\pm \ell_\beta^\pm + 4j \text{ (LNV)}$$



$$\text{LNV: } e^-e^- \rightarrow W^-W^- \rightarrow 4j$$

Zhang et al, 1805.09520

Shankha et al, 1503.05491



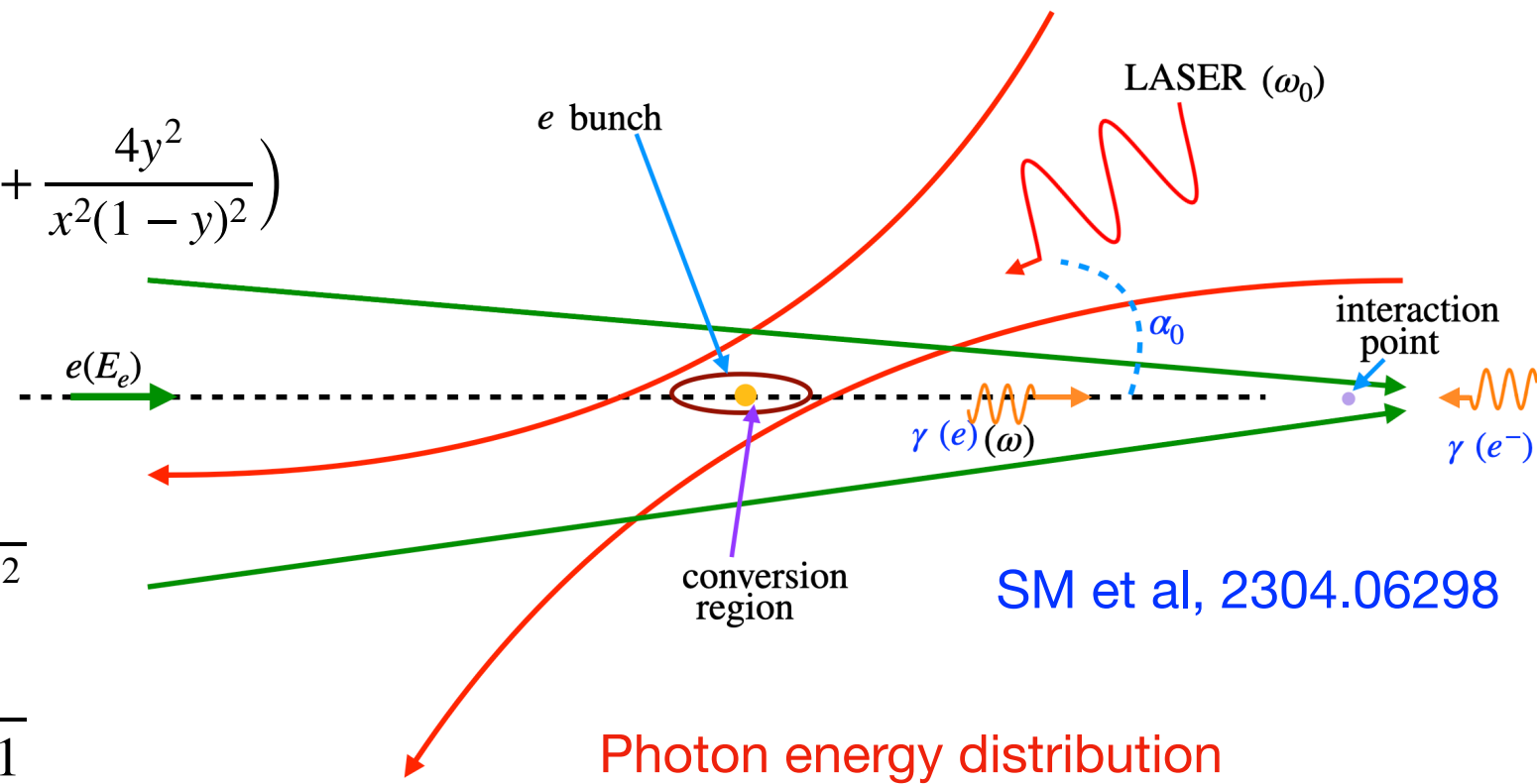
$e^- \gamma / \gamma \gamma$ option at $e^+ e^-$ collider

Energy spectrum of the photon:

$$\frac{1}{N_\gamma} \frac{dN_\gamma}{dy} \equiv F_{\gamma/e}(x, y) = \frac{1}{D(x)} \left(\frac{1}{1-y} + 1 - y - \frac{4y}{x(1-y)} + \frac{4y^2}{x^2(1-y)^2} \right)$$

$$D(x) = \left(1 - \frac{4}{x} - \frac{8}{x^2} \right) \ln(1+x) + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{8}{x} - \frac{1}{2(1+x)^2}$$

$$x = \frac{4E_e \omega_0}{m_e^2} \cos^2\left(\frac{\alpha_0}{2}\right), \quad y = \frac{\omega}{E_e} \leq y_m = \frac{\omega_m}{E_e} = \frac{x}{x+1}$$



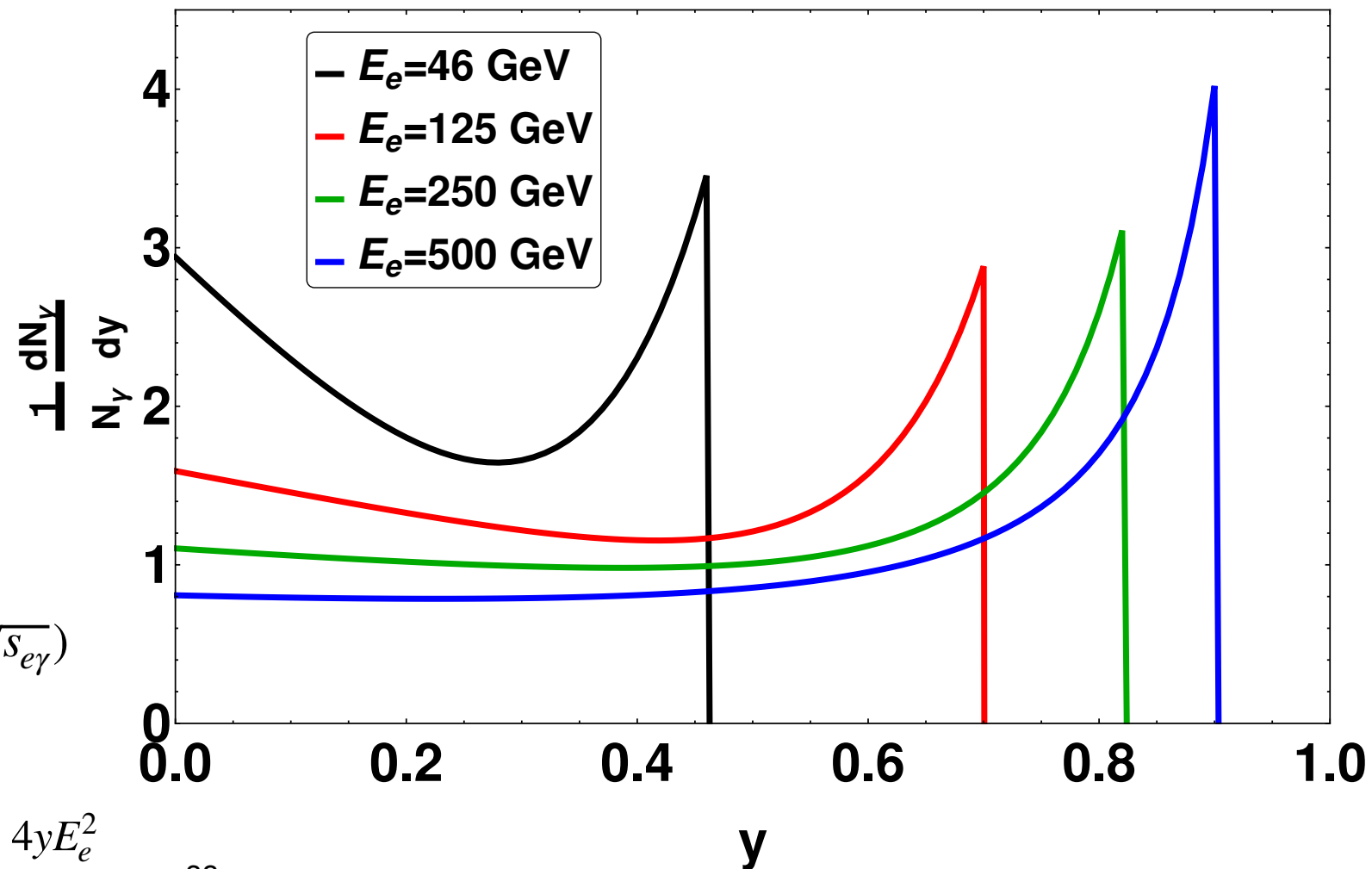
ω_0 is the energy of the incident photon

α_0 is the collision angle and its small

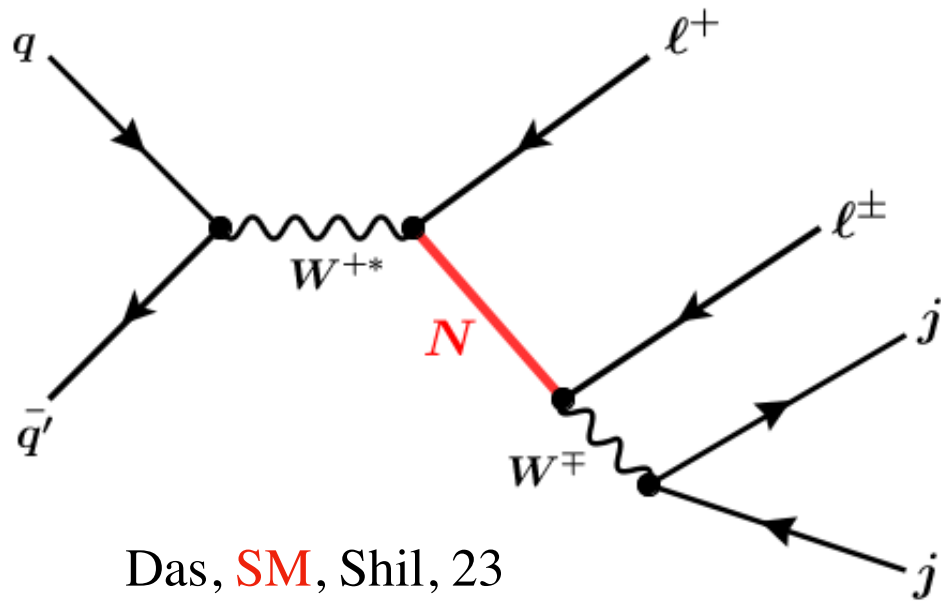
Cross section can be obtained being averaged over the photon spectrum:

$$\langle \sigma_{\gamma e \rightarrow AB}(\sqrt{s_{ee}}) \rangle = \int_{y_{\min}}^{y_{\max}} dy F_{\gamma/e}(x, y) \sigma_{\gamma e \rightarrow AB}(\sqrt{s_{e\gamma}})$$

$$s_{ee} = 4E_e^2, y_{\max} = \frac{x}{1+x}, y_{\min} = \frac{(M_A + M_B)^2}{s_{ee}}, s_{e\gamma} = 4yE_e^2$$



Lepton number violation at High energy colliders: $M_N \sim 100$ GeV

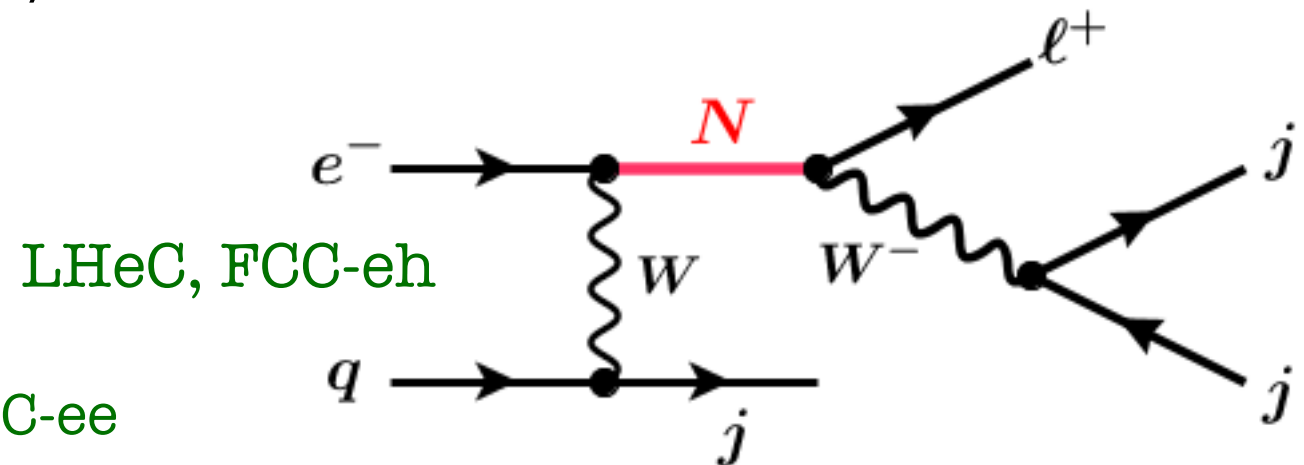


LNV: $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^+ jj$

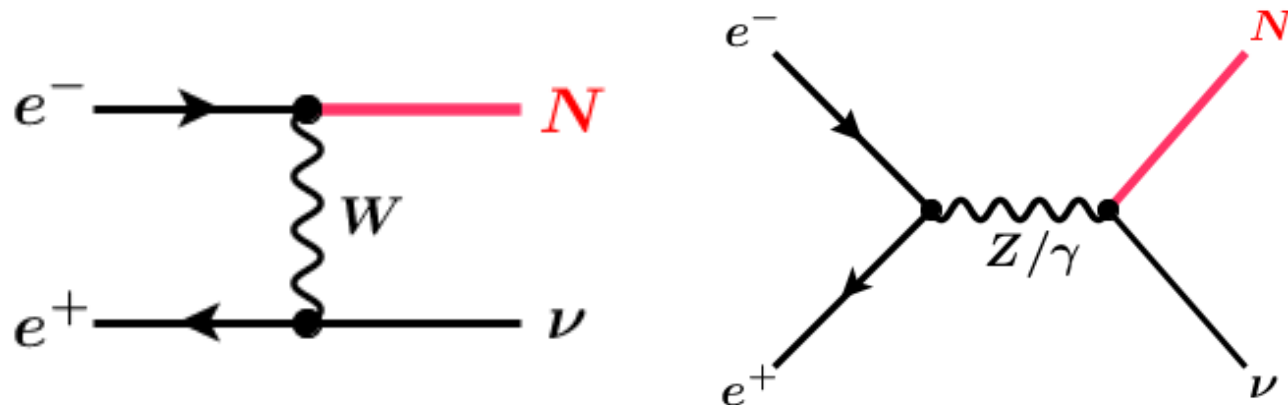
LNC: $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- jj$

If N is pure Majorana type: $R_{\ell\ell} = \frac{\# \text{LNV}}{\# \text{LNC}} = 1$

$R_{\ell\ell} \neq 0 \rightarrow$ **Majorana neutrinos**



What about the lepton colliders? ILC, CLIC, FCC-ee



At $\sqrt{s} = M_Z$: $N_{\text{event}} \approx 10^{12} |V_{eN}|^2$

Can probe seesaw line:

$|V_{eN}|^2 \sim m_\nu / M_N \sim 10^{-12}$

Neutrino in final state unobservable

SM, Jana, Das, Nandi, arXiv: 1811.04219

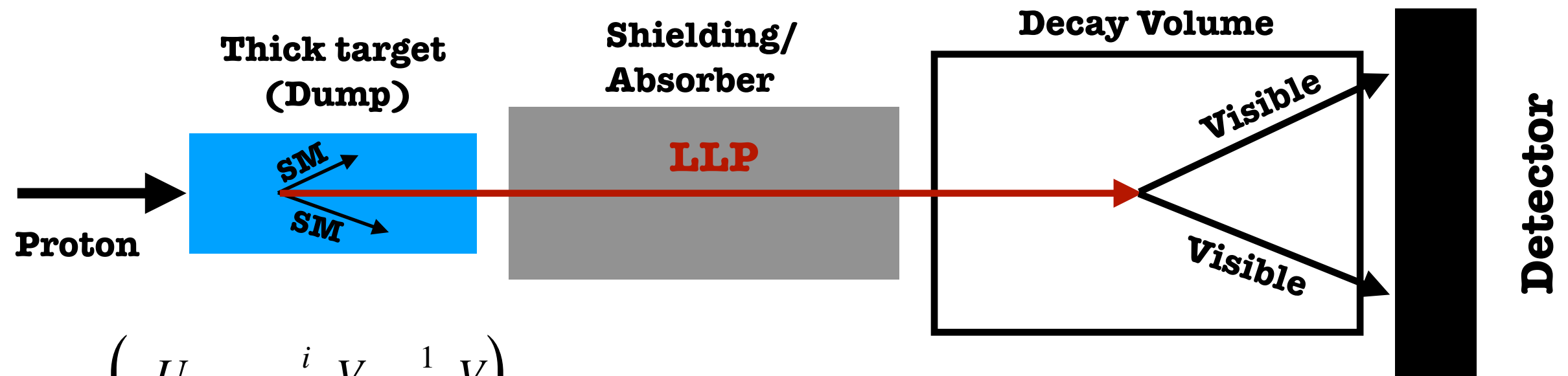
Forwards backward asymmetry relic of the Z parity violating couplings. Dirac keeps it, Majorana washes it out

$A_D^{\text{FB}}(N) \propto g_L^2 - g_R^2$

$A_D^{\text{FB}}(\bar{N}) \propto g_R^2 - g_L^2$

$A_M^{\text{FB}} = 0$

Blondel et al, 21



$$\mathcal{U} \approx \begin{pmatrix} U & -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}V & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}V \\ 0 & \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -V^\dagger & -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

	E_{beam}	N_{beam}	L_{min}	$L_{\text{det/dec}}$
LSND	0.8 GeV p	$\sim 1.8 \times 10^{23}$	30 m	8.3 m
E137	20 GeV e^-	1.87×10^{20}	179 m	204 m
PS191	19.2 GeV p	8.6×10^{18}	128 m	12 m
CHARM	400 GeV p	2.4×10^{18}	480 m	35 m
NOMAD	450 GeV p	$\sim 4.1 \times 10^{19}$	835 m	7.5 m

Experiment	E_p	N_{POT}	L_{min}
SHiP	400 GeV	2×10^{20}	$\sim 30 - 50$ m
NA62-dump	400 GeV	$10^{17} - 10^{18}$	~ 80 m
HIKE-dump	400 GeV	$\sim 10^{19}$	$\sim \mathcal{O}(80)$ m
DUNE	120 GeV	$\sim 10^{22}$	574 m
DarkQuest	120 GeV	$10^{18} - 10^{20}$	$\sim 5 - 20$ m