

# Roles of sterile neutrino in Particle Physics and Cosmology

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# Outline

- Why do we need sterile neutrino ?
- Any hint for sterile neutrino?
- What would sterile neutrino affect ?
- Sterile neutrino as DM
- Roles in baryogenesis

# Why do we need sterile neutrino ?

- In theory-

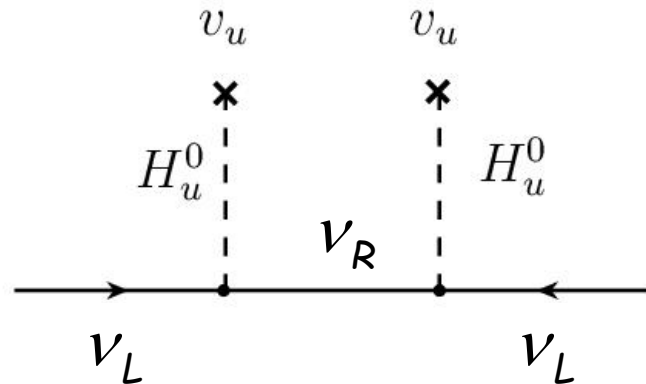
- massive neutrinos

- Simple way is to add a Dirac mass term :  $m \overline{\nu}_L \nu_R$

- This requires  $\nu_R$ .

- Then no (SM) principle prevents the occurrence of  $M \overline{\nu_R^c} \nu_R$

Type I see-saw mechanism

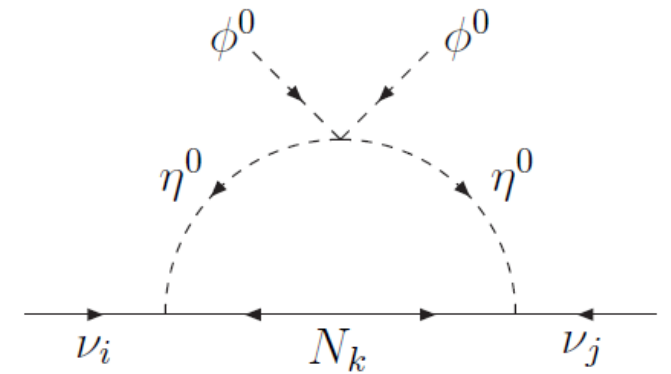


$$m_{LL}^I \approx -m_{LR} M_{RR}^{-1} m_{LR}^T$$

# Why do we need sterile neutrino ?

## - Radiative generation of neutrino mass

- SM be extended to include 3  $\nu_R$  and a 2nd scalar doublet  $(\eta^+, \eta^0)$  : odd under  $Z_2$
- The usual Yukawa term  $(\nu\phi^0 - \not{\phi}^+) \nu_R$  forbidden but  $(\nu\eta^0 - \not{\eta}^+) \nu_R$  is allowed.



$$(\mathcal{M}_\nu)_{ij} = \sum_k \frac{h_{ik} h_{jk} M_k}{16\pi^2} \left[ \frac{m_R^2}{m_R^2 - M_k^2} \ln \frac{m_R^2}{M_k^2} - \frac{m_I^2}{m_I^2 - M_k^2} \ln \frac{m_I^2}{M_k^2} \right].$$

# Why do we need sterile neutrino ?

- In cosmology,
  - We need Dark Matter.  
So, sterile neutrino can be a good DM candidate.
  - Sterile neutrinos can play an essential role in baryogenesis.

# Why do we need sterile neutrino ?

- In experiments,
  - To open new phase to search for new physics, we need to find sterile neutrinos
  - Anomalies from neutrino oscillation call for sterile neutrinos

# Any Hint for Sterile Neutrino ?

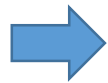
- From neutrino oscillation experiments

"Sterile" neutrinos can mix with active neutrinos

$$|\nu_e\rangle = \cos \theta |\nu_1\rangle + \sin \theta |\nu_2\rangle$$

$$|\nu_s\rangle = -\sin \theta |\nu_1\rangle + \cos \theta |\nu_2\rangle$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta$$



Gives effective interaction strength of the  
sterile neutrino relative to the standard  
*Weak Interaction*

# Any Hint for Sterile Neutrino ?

- From neutrino oscillation experiments

Oscillations into  $\nu_s$  are now excluded as the dominant solution in solar and atmospheric neutrinos:

solar:  ~~$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_s$~~ ?      no,  $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu\tau}$  (SNO)

atmo:  ~~$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_s$~~ ?      no,  $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$  (SK, Macro)



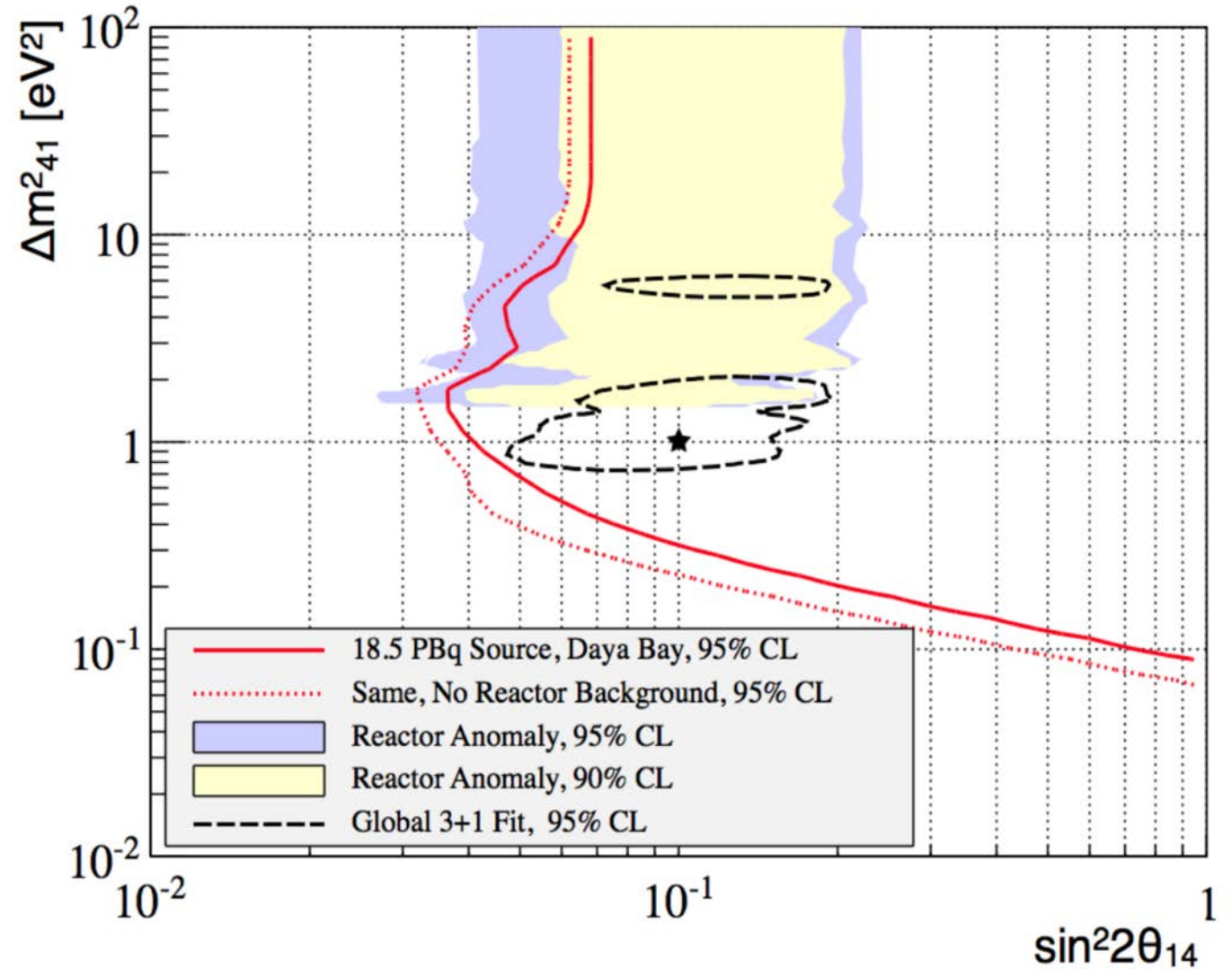
# Any Hint for Sterile Neutrino ?

- Anomalies from SBL experiments

- **LSND** : search for  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ , with  $L/E \sim 0.4 \div 1.5$  m/MeV. Observed a  $3.8\sigma$  excess of  $\bar{\nu}_e$  events ( LSND, 2001)
- **Gallium** : calibration of GALLEX and SAGE Gallium solar  $\nu$  exp. gives a  $2.7 \sigma$  anomaly (disappearance of  $\nu_e$ ) (Giunti, Laveder, 2011)
- **Reactor** : re-evaluation of the expected  $\bar{\nu}$  flux shows disapp. of  $\bar{\nu}_e$  events compared to predictions ( $\sim 3 \sigma$ ) with  $L < 100$  m (Azabajan et al., 2012)
- **MiniBooNE** : search for  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ , with  $L/E = 0.2 \div 2.6$  m/MeV.  
No  $\nu_e$  excess detected, but  $\bar{\nu}_e$  excess observed at  $2.8 \sigma$ . (MiniBooNE, 2013)

# Any Hint for Sterile Neutrino ?

- Pointing to possibly another mass squared difference
- Call for O(eV) sterile neutrino



# Comments on the analyses in terms of sterile neutrino (Giunti, Schwetz....)

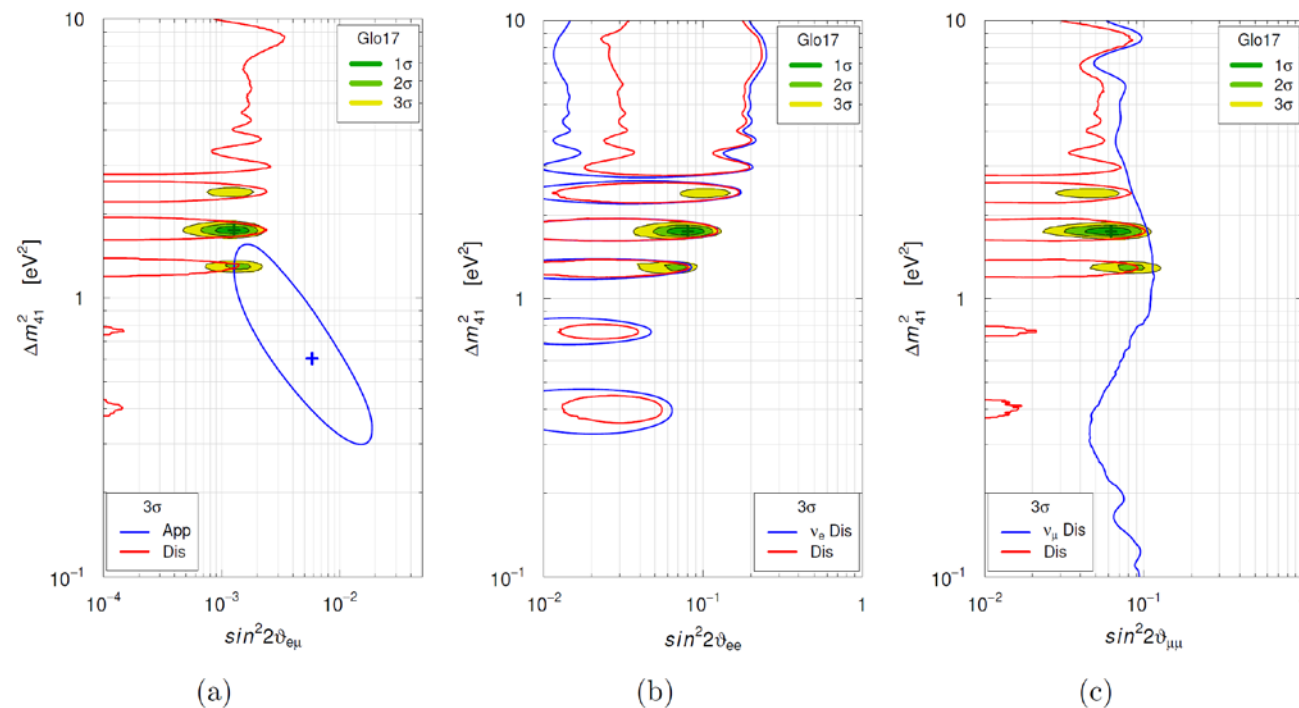
- Two experimental tensions :
  - (1) LSND and MiniBooNE  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  vs. MiniBooNE  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$
  - (2) LSND and MiniBooNE  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  vs.  $\bar{\nu}_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$  disappearance limits

- 3+1 mixing shows tension
- between app. and disapp.

$\nu_e \text{ DIS}$   
 $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} \simeq 4|U_{e4}|^2$

$\nu_\mu \text{ DIS}$   
 $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu} \simeq 4|U_{\mu4}|^2$

$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e \text{ APP}$   
 $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{e\mu} = 4|U_{e4}|^2|U_{\mu4}|^2 \simeq \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu}$   
[Okada, Yasuda, IJMPA 12 (1997) 3669; Bilenky, CG, Grimus, EPJC 1 (1998) 247]



- 3+2 mixing can explain tension(1) and reduce tension between app. and disapp.

# Any Hint for Sterile Neutrino ?

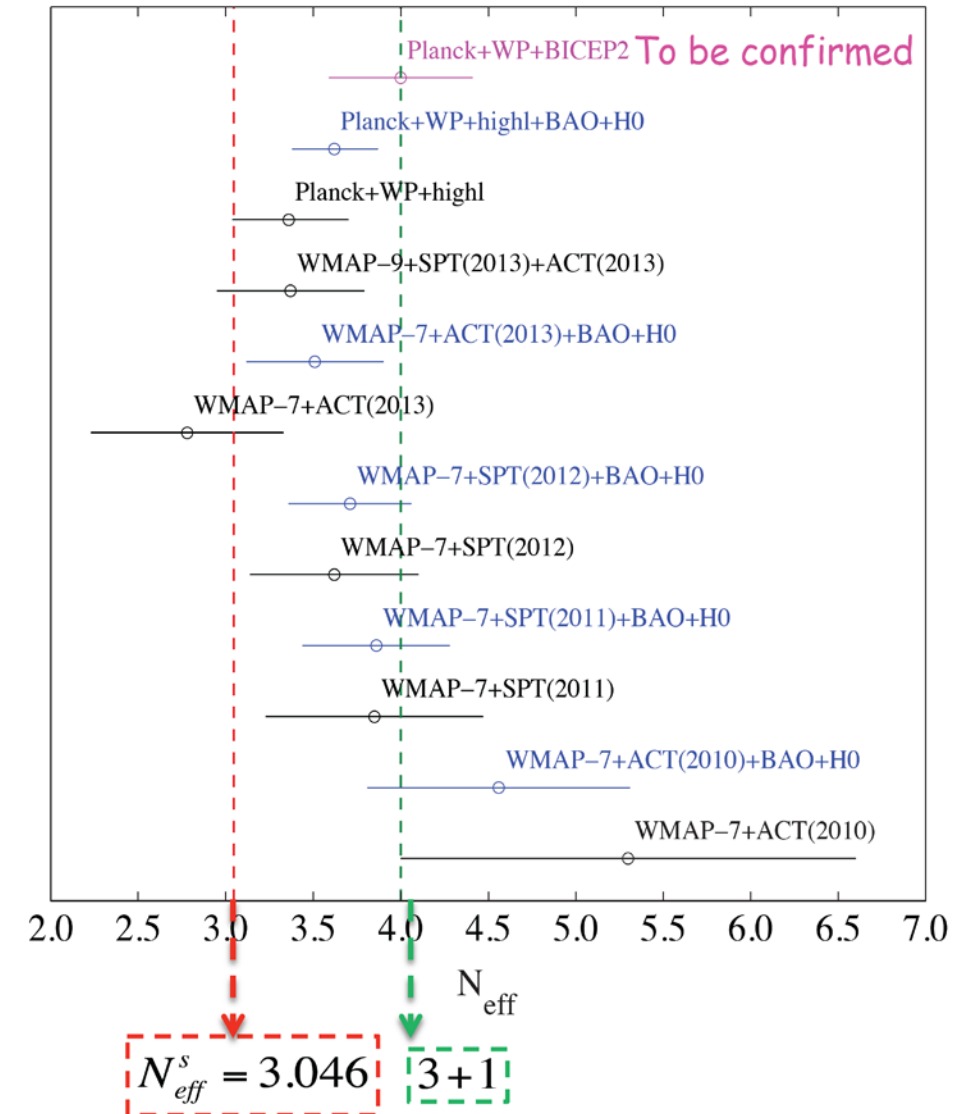
- In Cosmology

- hint from CMB (radiation energy density  $\rho_r$  in the earl Univ.)

$$\rho_r = \left[ 1 + \frac{7}{8} \left( \frac{4}{11} \right)^{4/3} N_{\text{eff}} \right] \rho_\gamma$$

For active neutrinos :  $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.046$

- current result :  $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.36 \pm 0.34$



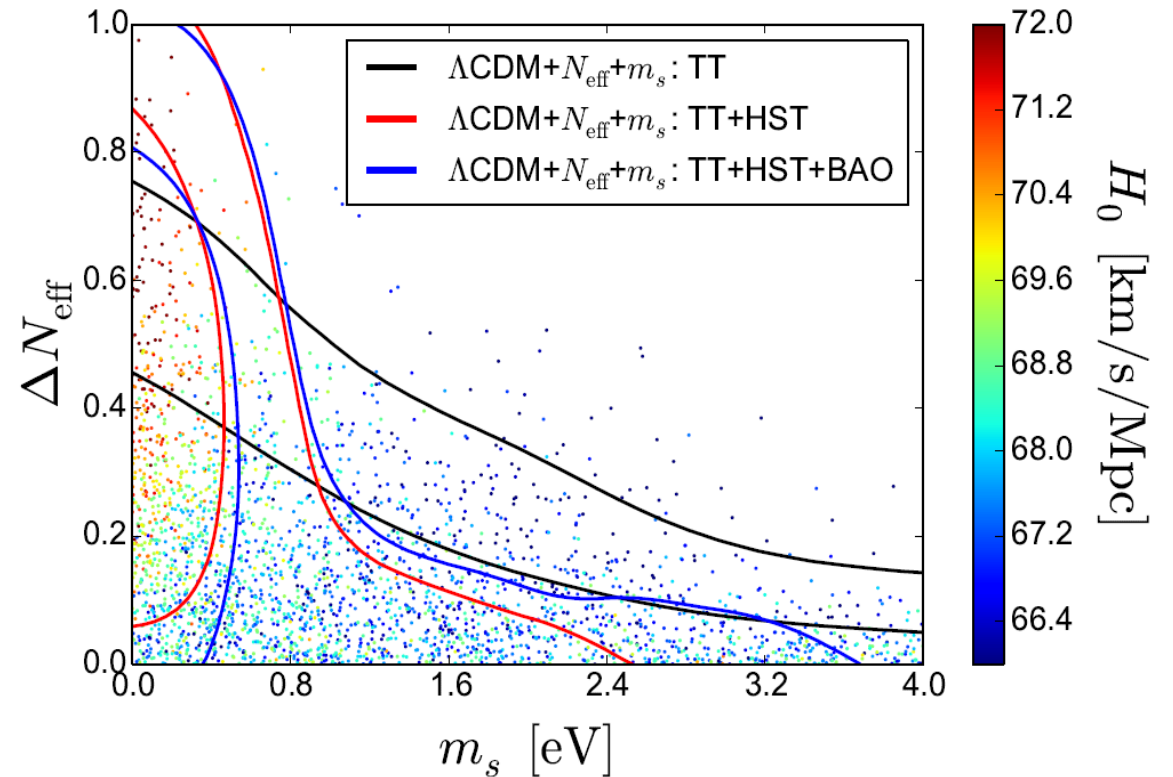
# Any Hint for Sterile Neutrino ?

- In Cosmology

-For non-relativistic  $\nu_s$  (1eV  $\nu_s$  is non-relativistic today)  
thermal production  $\rightarrow$

$$m_s^{\text{eff}} = \Delta N_{\text{eff}}^{3/4} m_s$$

- From Planck data,  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 1$  is incompatible with  $m_s \sim 1$  eV.  
(Archidiacono et al., JCAP 08, 2016)



# What does sterile neutrino affect ?

- Neutrino oscillation
- Pattern of neutrino mixing matrix
- CP violation & unitarity of neutrino mixing matrix
- B & K physics
- Neutrinoless double beta decay
- Solution to reactor neutrino anomaly
- Serve as warm dark matter
- Existence of non-standard interactions
- Affects on lepton flavor violations
- Cosmology and astrophysics observables

- Introduction of  $\nu_s$  leads to a modification of the leptonic C.C. Lagrangian

$$\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \mathbf{U}^{ji} \bar{\ell}_j \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_i W_\mu^- + \text{c.c.}$$

j=physical neutrino states, i=1,2,3 (charged lepton flavor)

- For SM, U corresponds to the 3x3 unitary matrix  $U_{\text{PMNS}}$ .
- For SM+ $\nu_s$  : U is deviated from unitarity
- **Non-unitarity of U** will induce a departure from the SM expected values of some observables (e.g.: leptonic or semileptonic decays of pseudoscalar mesons like K, B, D..., cLFV process like  $\ell \rightarrow \ell_1 \ell_1 \ell_2$ ,  $\ell \rightarrow \ell' \gamma$ , lepton flavor changing Z decays.

- In the presence of 3  $\nu_s$ , the overall 6x6 mass matrix can be diagonalized by a unitary matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} V & R \\ S & U \end{pmatrix}^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} M_L & M_D \\ M_D^T & M_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V & R \\ S & U \end{pmatrix}^* = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{M}_\nu & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \widehat{M}_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-\mathcal{L}_{cc} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \overline{(e, \mu, \tau)_L} V \gamma^\mu \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}_L W_\mu^- + \overline{(e, \mu, \tau)_L} R \gamma^\mu \begin{pmatrix} N_1 \\ N_2 \\ N_3 \end{pmatrix}_L W_\mu^- \right]$$

$R$ : production & detection of **heavy** neutrinos at LHC;

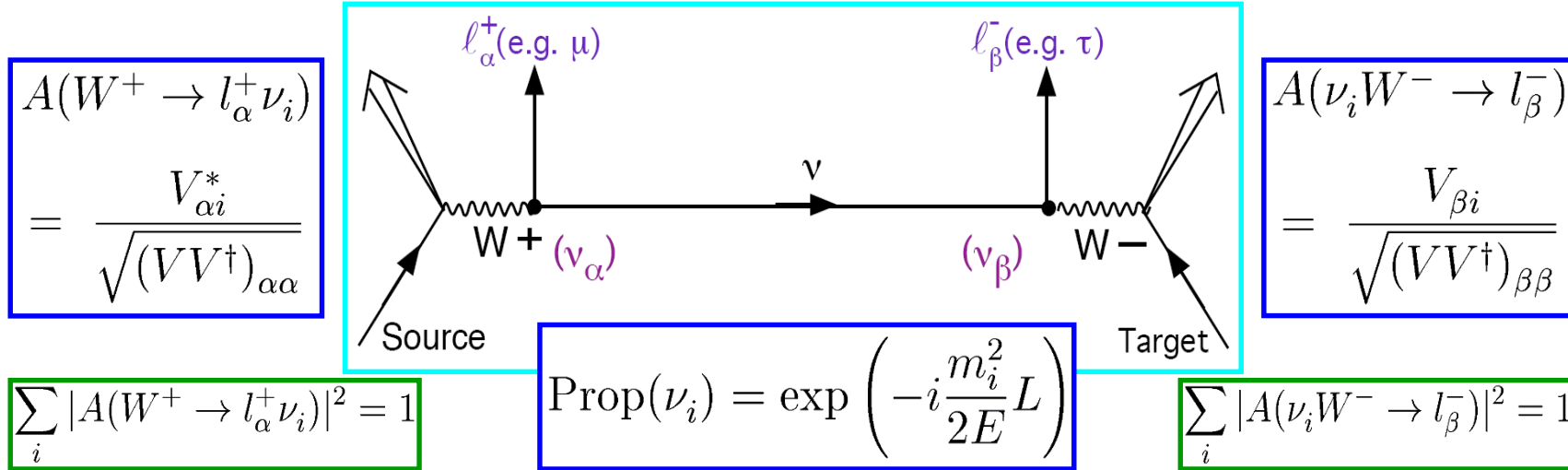
$V$ : oscillations & other phenomena of **light** neutrinos.

- They are two  $3 \times 3$  sub-matrices of the  $6 \times 6$  unitary matrix, hence they must be correlated with each other.
- This correlation characterizes the relationship between **neutrino physics** and **collider physics**.



# Effects on neutrino oscillation (Antusch *et al* 06, Xing. 08):

Production and detection of a neutrino beam via CC weak interactions:



$$A(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = \sum_i \left[ A(W^+ \rightarrow \ell_\alpha^+ \nu_i) \cdot \text{Prop}(\nu_i) \cdot A(\nu_i W^- \rightarrow \ell_\beta^-) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(VV^\dagger)_{\alpha\alpha} (VV^\dagger)_{\beta\beta}}} \sum_i \left[ V_{\alpha i}^* \exp\left(-i \frac{m_i^2}{2E} L\right) V_{\beta i} \right]$$

Like the case of the *non-standard* interactions in initial & final states.

## Oscillation probability in vacuum

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = \frac{\sum_i |V_{\alpha i}|^2 |V_{\beta i}|^2 + 2 \sum_{i < j} \text{Re} (V_{\alpha i} V_{\beta j} V_{\alpha j}^* V_{\beta i}^*) \cos \Delta_{ij} - 2 \sum_{i < j} J_{\alpha\beta}^{ij} \sin \Delta_{ij}}{(VV^\dagger)_{\alpha\alpha} (VV^\dagger)_{\beta\beta}}$$

$$\Delta_{ij} \equiv \Delta m_{ij}^2 L / (2E) \text{ with } \Delta m_{ij}^2 \equiv m_i^2 - m_j^2 \quad |\Delta m_{13}^2| \approx |\Delta m_{23}^2| \gg |\Delta m_{12}^2|$$

$$\text{Jarlskog invariants of CP violation:} \quad J_{\alpha\beta}^{ij} \equiv \text{Im}(V_{\alpha i} V_{\beta j} V_{\alpha j}^* V_{\beta i}^*)$$

**“Zero-distance”  
(near-detector)  
effect at  $L = 0$  :**

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) |_{L=0} = \frac{|(VV^\dagger)_{\alpha\beta}|^2}{(VV^\dagger)_{\alpha\alpha} (VV^\dagger)_{\beta\beta}}$$

(Langacker , London, '88)

# The impact of sterile neutrinos on CP measurements at long baselines

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$$A_{\nu\bar{\nu}}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) - P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta)}{P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) + P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta)} \equiv \frac{\Delta P_{\alpha\beta}}{P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) + P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta)}.$$

# The impact of sterile neutrinos on CP measurements at long baselines

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$$U_{\text{PMNS}}^{3+1} = O(\theta_{34}, \delta_{34})O(\theta_{24}, \delta_{24})O(\theta_{14})O(\theta_{23})O(\theta_{13}, \delta_{13})O(\theta_{12}). \quad (2.1)$$

Here, in general,  $O(\theta_{ij}, \delta_{ij})$  is a rotation matrix in the  $ij$  sector with associated phase  $\delta_{ij}$ .

For example,

$$O(\theta_{24}, \delta_{24}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta_{24} & 0 & e^{-i\delta_{24}} \sin \theta_{24} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -e^{i\delta_{24}} \sin \theta_{24} & 0 & \cos \theta_{24} \end{pmatrix}; \quad O(\theta_{14}) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_{14} & 0 & 0 & \sin \theta_{14} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_{14} & 0 & 0 & \cos \theta_{14} \end{pmatrix} \text{ etc. } \bar{)}.$$

Using the standard formula for a flavour transition oscillation probability, we have, for the  $3 + 1$  case:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\mu e}^{4\nu} = & 4|U_{\mu 4}U_{e 4}|^2 \times 0.5 \\ & -4\text{Re}(U_{\mu 1}U_{e 1}^*U_{\mu 2}^*U_{e 2})\sin^2 \Delta_{21} + 2\text{Im}(U_{\mu 1}U_{e 1}^*U_{\mu 2}^*U_{e 2})\sin 2\Delta_{21} \\ & -4\text{Re}(U_{\mu 1}U_{e 1}^*U_{\mu 3}^*U_{e 3})\sin^2 \Delta_{31} + 2\text{Im}(U_{\mu 1}U_{e 1}^*U_{\mu 3}^*U_{e 3})\sin 2\Delta_{31} \\ & -4\text{Re}(U_{\mu 2}U_{e 2}^*U_{\mu 3}^*U_{e 3})\sin^2 \Delta_{32} + 2\text{Im}(U_{\mu 2}U_{e 2}^*U_{\mu 3}^*U_{e 3})\sin 2\Delta_{32}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

# How do we find sterile neutrino ?

- Neutrino oscillation

- ▶  $\nu_e$  disappearance experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} = 4|U_{e4}|^2 (1 - |U_{e4}|^2) \simeq 4|U_{e4}|^2$$

- ▶  $\nu_\mu$  disappearance experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu} = 4|U_{\mu4}|^2 (1 - |U_{\mu4}|^2) \simeq 4|U_{\mu4}|^2$$

- ▶  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  experiments:

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{e\mu} = 4|U_{e4}|^2 |U_{\mu4}|^2 \simeq \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee} \sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu}$$

- ▶ Upper bounds on  $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{ee}$  and  $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{\mu\mu} \implies$  strong limit on  $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{e\mu}$

[Okada, Yasuda, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A12 (1997) 3669-3694, arXiv:hep-ph/9606411]

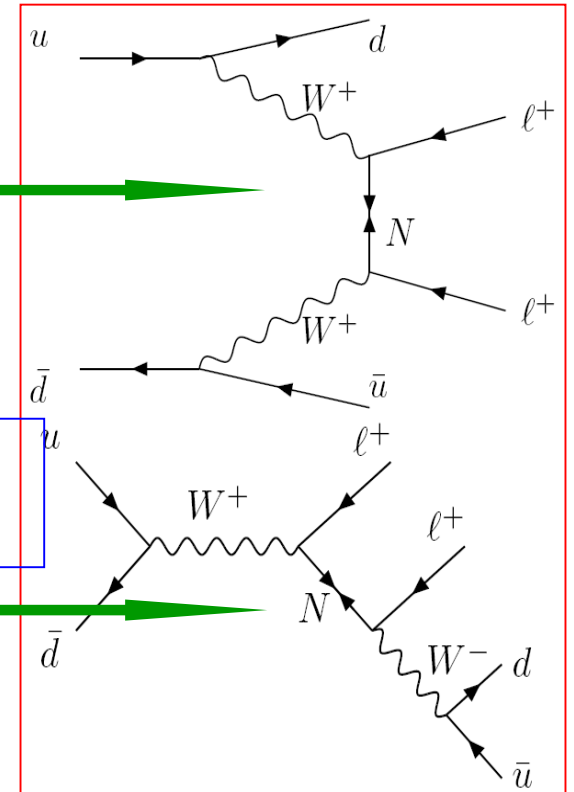
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- Collider experiments

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

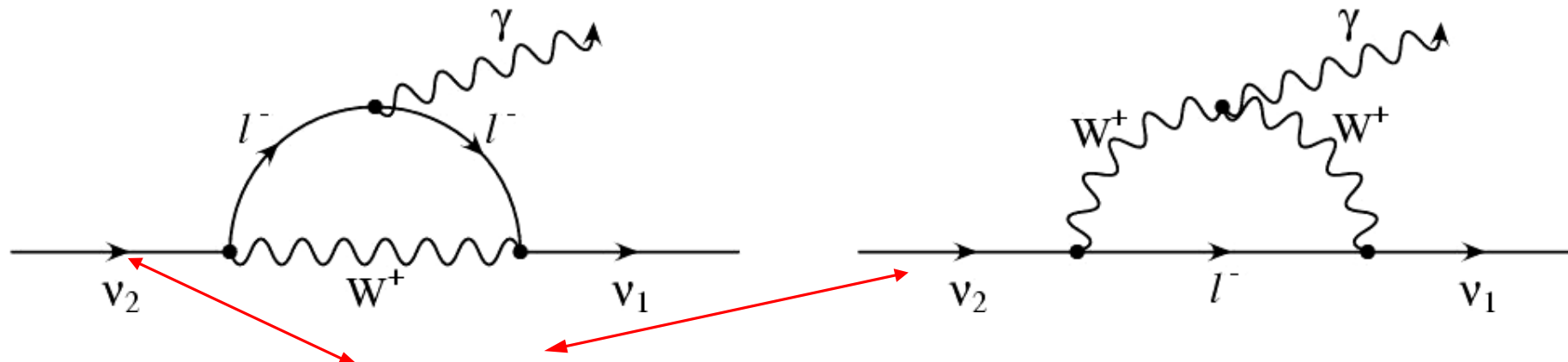
collider analogue to  $0\nu\beta$   
 $\beta$  decay

$N$  can be produced on  
resonance



# How do we find sterile neutrino ?

- Indirectly from observation of X( $\gamma$ )-ray from universe
  - A heavy “sterile” neutrino can decay into a light “active” neutrino and a  $\gamma$
  - The final state light neutrino and the photon *equally share* the rest mass energy of the initial sterile neutrino.
  - producing an emission line amenable to X-ray spectroscopic investigation



$$\nu_s \rightarrow \nu_{e,\mu,\tau} + \gamma$$

photon line  $E_\gamma = m_s/2$

# Roles of sterile neutrino in cosmology

- Leptogenesis

- Seesaw model has been proposed so as to achieve tiny neutrino masses.
- Another advantage of seesaw model is to provide a nice mechanism of baryogenesis via leptogenesis.
- However, baryogenesis realized in seesaw model requires very heavy right handed majorana neutrinos which are impossible to probe at collider.

- Neutrinos as DM candidates/components

- Very light SM neutrinos (hot DM)

CMB bound:  $\Omega_\nu h^2 < 0.0067 (90\% CL)$

Disfavored by large scale structure formation

- KeV sterile neutrinos (warm DM)

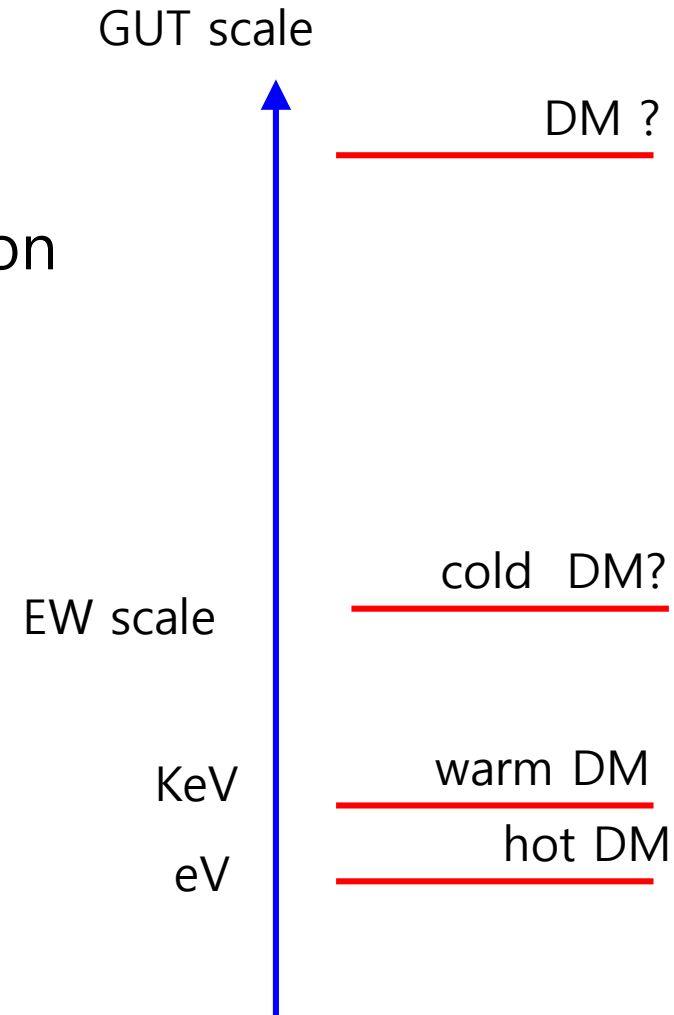
Constraints: X-ray, BBN, Ly-alpha,...

hard to detect directly.

- Heavy neutrinos (cold DM)

Heavy active Dirac/Majorana neutrino  
cannot make up the whole DM

Heavy sterile neutrino can be CDM.

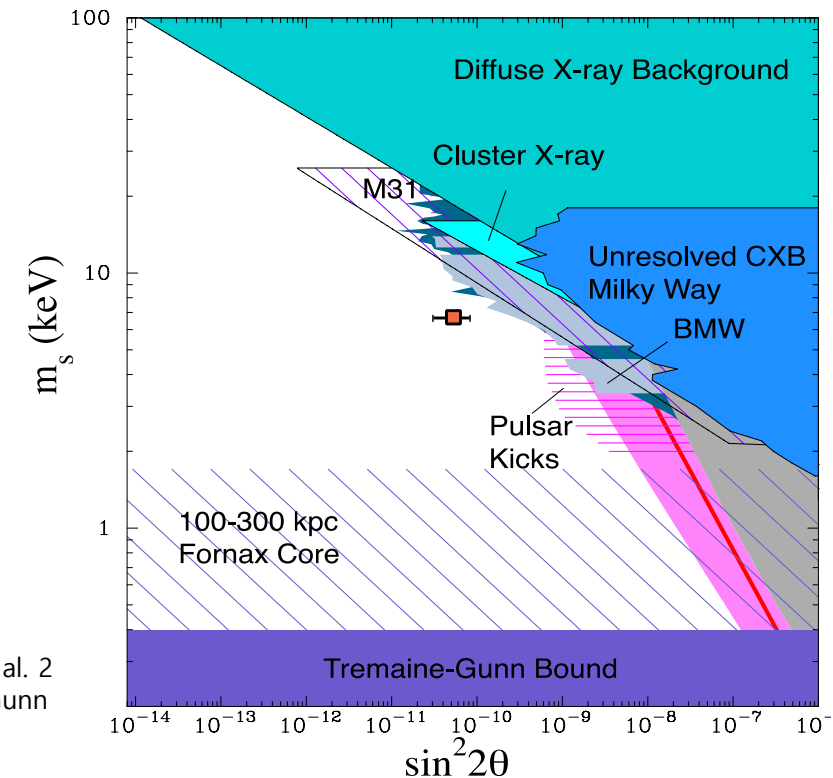




# KeV sterile neutrino

- Candidate for warm dark matter
  - could resolve discrepancies between CDM and small scale structure
- Impact on reionization, core-collapse supernovae, leptogenesis...
- Produced and detected through mixing with active neutrino which is very small  
→ constrained by experiments
- If  $m_1 < 10^{-5}$  eV and keV RH neutrino can play the role of warm DM and **at the same time the see-saw can explain neutrino mass** (Asaka, Blanchet, Shaposhnikov'05)

The diffuse X-ray background (Boyarsky et al. 2006), cluster X-ray (Boyarsky et al. 2006b), BMW (Boyarsky et al. (2007), M31 (Watson et al. 2006), the Tremaine-Gunn bound (Bode et al. 2001), and Fornax dwarf galaxy (Strigari et al. 2006)



# Production of KeV Sterile Neutrino

- Dodelson & Widrow (1994) showed that  $\nu_s$  could be thermally produced via neutrino oscillations in the early universe at a rate that depends on the  $\nu_a$ - $\nu_s$  mixing angle,  $\theta_{\text{mix}}$ .
- Shi & Fuller showed that  $\nu_s$  could be resonantly produced via neutrino oscillation in case of sizeable lepton asymmetry existed in the early Univ.
- $\nu_s$  could be produced by the decay of heavy scalar fields (Kusenko)

# Probe of new interactions via sterile neutrino



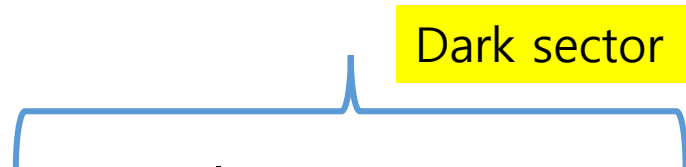
Heavy particle  
exchange



Light particles

- New interactions corresponding to high scale physics or low scale physics
- Probe of UV completion for sterile neutrinos with low mass
  - Heavy neutrinos as portal

- An UV model for sterile neutrino we proposed is (SK, Kim, '12)  
"heavy RH neutrino portal"

- SM+ RH neutrino +  gauge singlet neutrino & scalar

$$L = M_{Ri} N_i^T N_i + Y_{\nu ij} \bar{L} H N_j + Y_S \bar{N}_i \phi S_j - \mu_{ij} S_i^T S_j + h.c.$$

- $L_i$   $SU(2)_L$  doublet,  $N_i$  : RH singlet neutrinos
- $S_i$  : newly introduced singlet neutrinos
- $H$  :  $SU(2)_L$  doublet Higgs
- $\phi$  : SM singlet scalar field

- Integrating out heavy N

$$-\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \frac{(m_D^2)_{ij}}{4M_R} \nu_i^T \nu_j + \frac{m_{D_{ik}} M_{kj}}{4M_R} (\bar{\nu}_i S_j + \bar{S}_i \nu_j) + \frac{M_{ij}^2}{4M_R} S_i^T S_j + \mu_{ij} S_i^T S_j$$

$$m_\nu \simeq \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_D}{M} \mu \left( \frac{m_D}{M} \right)^T, \quad \tan 2\theta_s = \frac{2m_D M}{M^2 + 4\mu M_R - m_D^2}$$

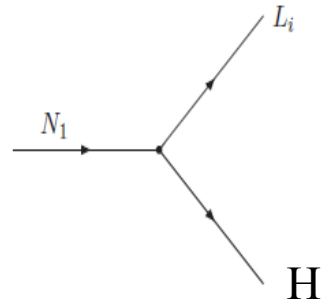
$$\tan 2\theta_s \simeq \sin 2\theta_s \simeq \begin{cases} \frac{2m_D}{M} & (\text{for } M^2 > 4\mu M_R) \\ \frac{m_D}{M} & (\text{for } M^2 \simeq 4\mu M_R) \\ \frac{m_D M}{2\mu M_R} & (\text{for } M^2 < 4\mu M_R) \end{cases} \quad m_s \simeq \begin{cases} \frac{M^2}{4M_R} \\ 2\mu \\ \mu \end{cases}$$

## Low Scale Leptogenesis (SK, CSKim, '12, SK, '16)

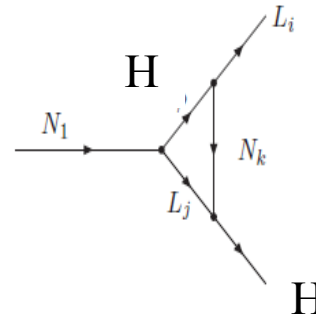
- Successful leptogenesis achieved by the decay of the lightest RH neutrino before the Higgs fields get VEVs
- New contribution mediated by new singlet neutrino  $S$  and scalar field  $\phi$  can enhance lepton asymmetry  $\varepsilon_1$
- In a basis where  $M_R$  and  $m_S$  are real and diagonal, the elements of  $Y_\nu$  and  $Y_S$  are complex in general.
- Lepton number asymmetry required for baryogenesis :

$$\varepsilon_1 = -\sum_i \left[ \frac{\Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow \bar{l}_i H^+) - \Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow l_i H)}{\Gamma_{tot}(N_1)} \right]$$

# Diagrams contributing to lepton asymmetry

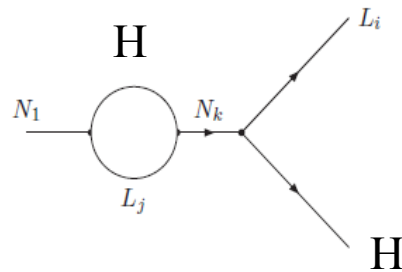


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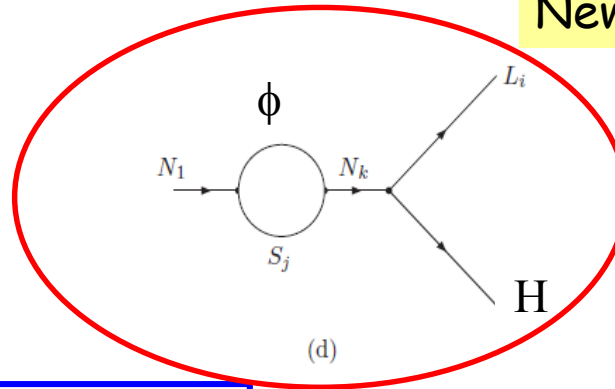


(b)

New contribution



(c)



(d)

$$\Gamma_{tot}(N_i) = \frac{(Y_\nu Y_\nu^\dagger + Y_s Y_s^\dagger)_{ii}}{4\pi} M_{R_i}$$

$g(x)$  : loop functions

$$\varepsilon_1 = \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum_{k \neq 1} ([g_V(x_k) + g_S(x_k)] T_{k1} + g_S(x_k) S_{k1})$$

- Since  $(Y_s)_{2i}$  is not constrained by the out-of-equilibrium condition, large value of  $(Y_s)_{2i}$  is allowed
- The 2nd term of  $\varepsilon_1$  can dominate over the 1<sup>st</sup> one and thus  $\varepsilon_1$  can be enhanced.
- Successful leptogenesis can be achieved for  $M_{R1} \sim$  a few TeV, provided that

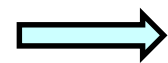
$$\kappa = (Y_s)_{2i}/(Y_\nu)_{2i}^* \sim 10^3 \text{ and } M_{R2}^2/M_{R1}^2 \sim 10.$$

- The generated B-L asymmetry :

$$Y_{B-L}^{SM} = -\eta \varepsilon_1 Y_{N_1}^{eq}$$

where 
$$Y_{N_1}^{eq} \approx \frac{45}{\pi^4} \frac{\zeta(3)}{g_* \kappa_B} \frac{3}{4}$$

- The new process of type  $S\phi \leftrightarrow LH$



wash-out of the produced B-L asymmetry



- wash-out factor for  $(Y_s)_{1i} \sim (Y_\nu)_{1i}$ ,  $(Y_s)_{2i}/(Y_\nu)_{2i} \sim 10^3$  and  
 $M_{R_1} \sim 10^4$  GeV

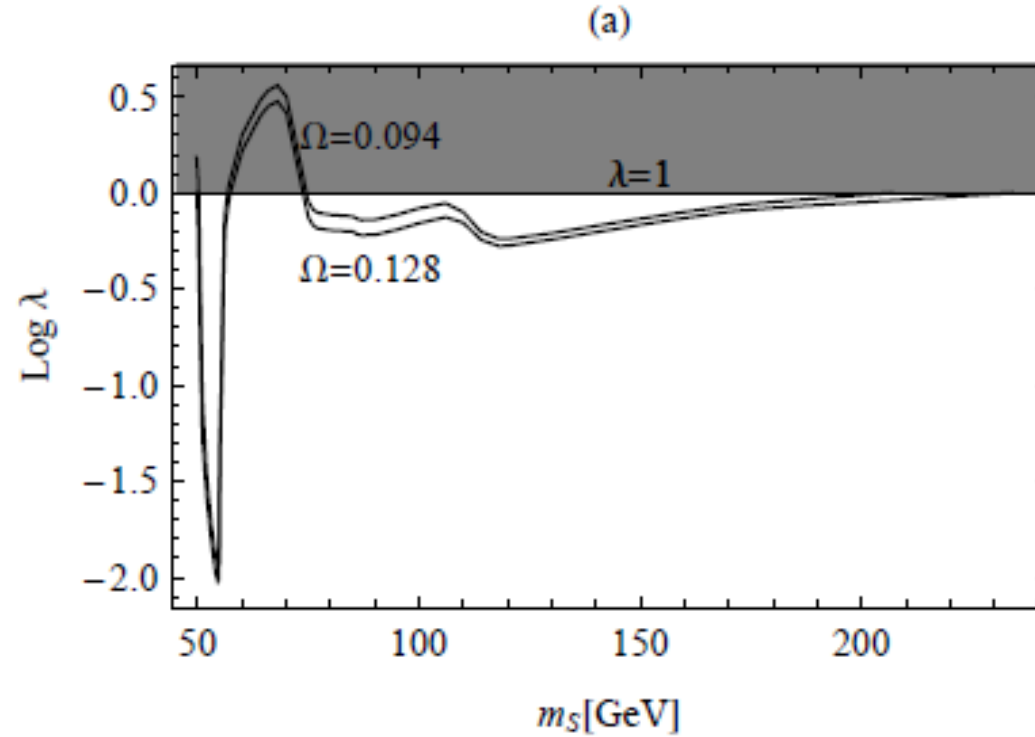
similar to the case of the typical seesaw model with

$$M_{R_1} \sim 10^4 \text{ GeV and } \tilde{m}_1 \approx 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon_1 \sim 10^{-6}$  enough to explain baryon  
asymmetry without much severe fine-tuning.

## • Possible Dark Matter Candidates

- Sterile neutrino  $S$  or/and the singlet scalar  $\phi$  can be DM
- In order to guarantee the stability of DM, we impose  $Z_2$  Symmetry under which  $S$  &  $\phi$ : odd, SM+N : even
- $S$  can be a dark matter candidate, provided that  $m_S < m_\phi$ .
- Possible annihilation processes of the singlet neutrino generate too much relic abundance of  $S$ .
- If  $m_\phi$  is close to  $m_S$ , it would not be decoupled from thermal equilibrium at the  $T_f$  and thus coannihilation processes becomes important.
- It turns out that if  $\delta m = m_\phi - m_S \approx T_f$ , annihilation processes of  $\phi$  into a pair of the SM particles through the s-channel, can significantly affect the relic abundance of  $S$  to be reduced.



Relationship between  $\lambda$  and  $m_s$  corresponding to  $\Omega_s h^2 = 0.128$  (the lower solid line) and 0.094 (the upper solid line), respectively. The mass difference  $\delta m = m_\phi - m_s$  has been taken to be 5 GeV and  $m_\phi$  to be 200 GeV. Here the shadowed region is forbidden by breaking of perturbation

- KeV sterile neutrino Dark Matter (SK, Patra, '16, SK'17)

- Relic abundance of sterile neutrino can be achieved via freeze-in through out of equilibrium decay of  $\phi$

- Decays of  $\phi$  into a pair of sterile neutrino can occur via the interaction term generated after  $N_{2(3)}$  decoupled and  $\phi$  got VEV,  $\frac{|Y_{S2}|^2 v_\phi}{M_{N2}} \phi SS$

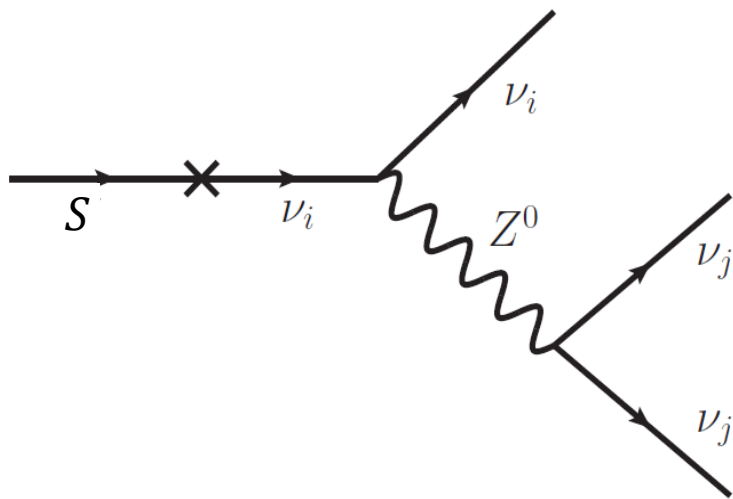
- Decay rate of  $\phi \rightarrow SS$  :  $\Gamma(\phi \rightarrow SS) = \frac{|Y_{S2}|^4 v_\phi^2}{32\pi m_{N2}^2} m_\phi$

- Solving Boltzmann Eq. :  $\Omega_S h^2 \approx \frac{1.09 \times 10^{27} m_S v_\phi^2}{g_*^S \sqrt{g_*^\rho} m_\phi m_{N2}^2} |Y_{S2}|^4$

- BP for relic density :  $v_\phi = 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $m_\phi = 80 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $Y_{S2} = 10^{-3}$ ,  $m_{N2} = 15 \text{ TeV}$ ,  
 $m_S = 7 \text{ keV}$

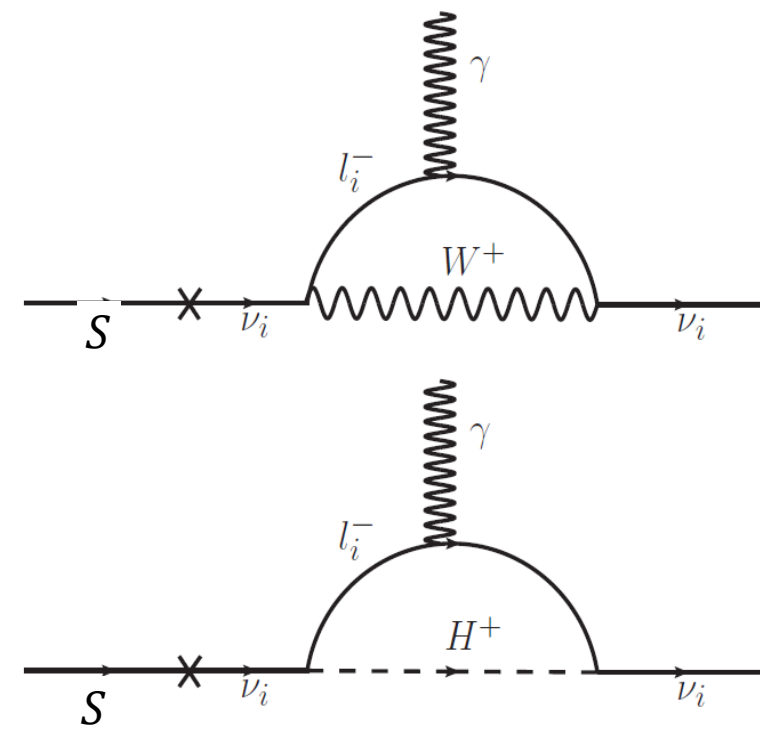
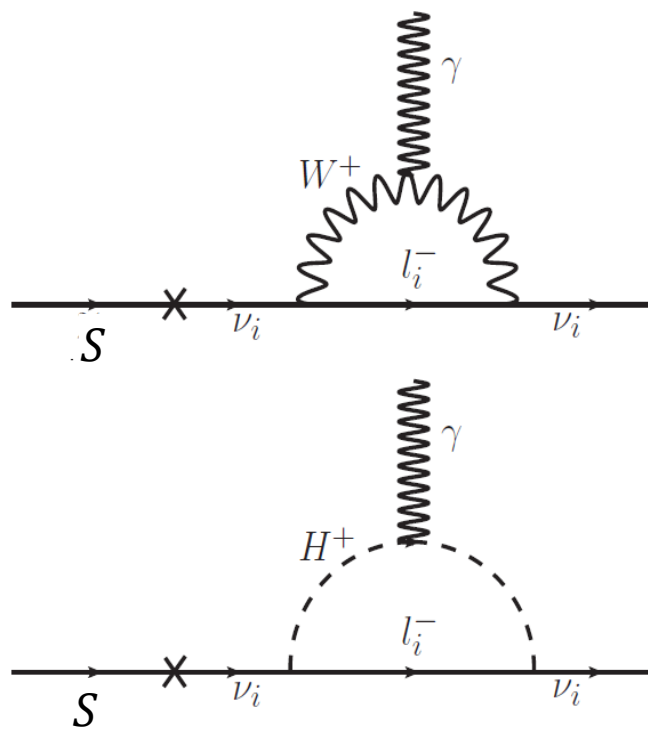
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- The decay process takes place out of equilibrium at  $T < m_\phi$
- The frozen-in production mechanism at  $T \sim 100$  GeV leads to colder DM compared to typical WDM production via Dodelson-Widrow mechanism.
- Our free streaming length is shorter than typical WDM, but still much larger than that of CDM.
- When  $\phi$  gets VEV, S can decay



$$\Gamma_{3\nu} \cong \sin^2 2\theta_S G_F^2 \left( \frac{m_S^5}{768\pi^3} \right)$$

$$\cong 8.7 \times 10^{-31} \text{s}^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin^2 2\theta_S}{10^{-10}} \right) \left( \frac{m_S}{1 \text{ keV}} \right)^5$$



$$\Gamma_{\nu\gamma} \cong 6.8 \times 10^{-33} \text{s}^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin^2 2\theta_S}{10^{-10}} \right) \left( \frac{m_S}{1 \text{ keV}} \right)^5$$

- Radiative decay can lead to 3.55 KeV X-ray line

for  $m_S = 7.1 \text{ keV}$ , and  $\sin^2 2\theta_S \sim 10^{-11}$

$$\Gamma_{total} \sim 10^{-26} \text{s}^{-1}$$

- 2-component Dark Matter (Borah, Dasgupta, SK, '18)

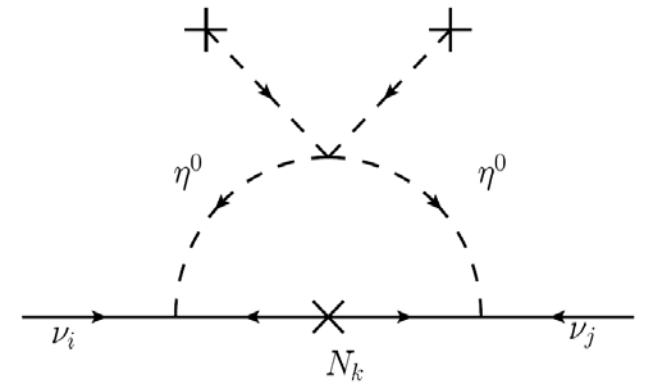
- Incorporating scotogenic idea, we introduce inert doublet scalar

$$L = M_{Ri} N_i^T N_i + Y_{\nu ij} \bar{L} \eta N_j + Y_S \bar{N}_i \phi S_j - \mu_{ij} S_i^T S_j + h.c.$$

-  $\eta$  : SU(2) inert doublet

- Neutrino masses are generated through 1-loop

$$(m_\nu)_{ij} = \sum_k \frac{Y_{ik} Y_{jk} M_k}{16\pi^2} \left( \frac{m_R^2}{m_R^2 - M_k^2} \ln \frac{m_R^2}{M_k^2} - \frac{m_I^2}{m_I^2 - M_k^2} \ln \frac{m_I^2}{M_k^2} \right)$$



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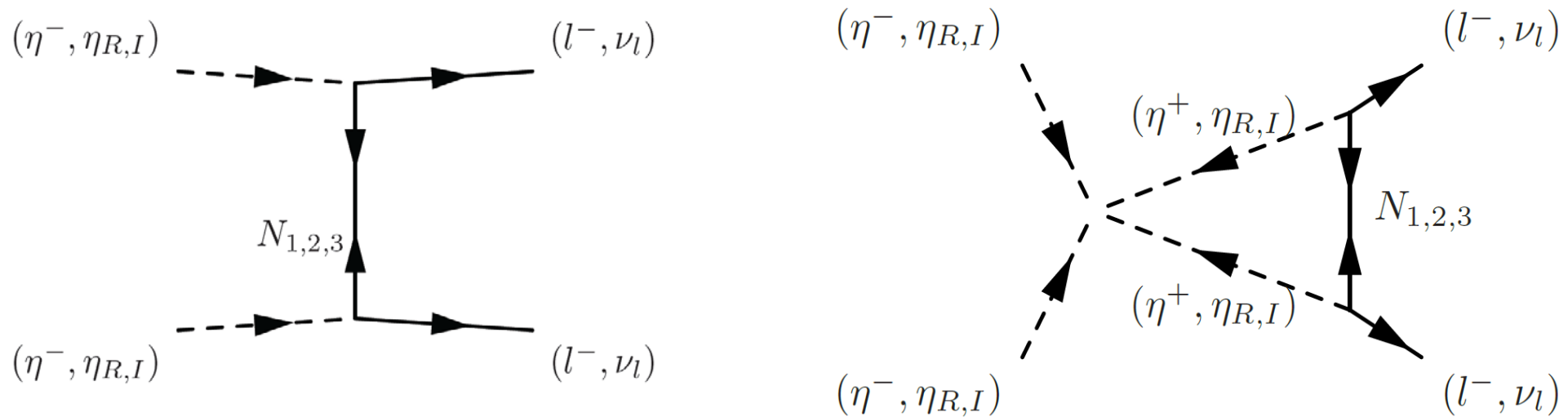
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- Weak scale scalar  $\eta$  is WIMP, but decays into  $\nu \phi S$  at a late time after freezing out thanks to small  $Y_S$ .
- Singlet scalar  $\phi$  becomes CDM after freezing out.
- Sterile neutrino with keV mass can be produced from the decay of  $\eta$  as well as annihilation of  $\phi$ , which is WDM candidate.
- Then, the relic abundance is composed of  $\Omega_\phi + \Omega_S$



- 2-component Dark Matter

- In this scenario, leptogenesis can be realized via the annihilation of  $\eta$  (WIMPy leptogenesis)
- Lepton asymmetry  $\varepsilon$  : interference between



(Borah, Dasgupta, SK, '18)

BP for this scenario :  $m_\eta = 5 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $m_\phi = 500 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $m_S = 7.1 \text{ KeV}$ ,  $Y_S \sim 10^{-7}$ ,  $\lambda = 0.65$

# Conclusion

- Sterile neutrino may be required for deep understanding of our universe.
- Sterile neutrino may affect various phenomena probed in particle physics and cosmology.
- We find no evidence for sterile neutrinos so far.
- We set the present bounds on the mass and mixing.
- Sterile neutrino can be a good dark matter candidate and play an essential role in the existence of our universe.
- Possibility of the existence of sterile neutrino will continue to be studied.

