

Updated Constraints and Future Prospects on **Majoron Dark Matter**

Based on [arXiv: 2304.04430] with Kensuke Akita(IBS)

Michiru NIIBO (Ochanomizu Univ., IBS)

15/06/2023, PPC 2023 at Daejeon

Neutrino mass: Dirac or Majorana?

- Dirac Neutrinos (Higgs Mechanism)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu}_L & \overline{\nu}_R^c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D \\ m_D^T & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L^c \\ \nu_R \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.} \quad m_i = m_D \sim 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

Neutrino mass: Dirac or Majorana?

- Dirac Neutrinos (Higgs Mechanism)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu}_L & \overline{\nu}_R^c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D \\ m_D^T & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L^c \\ \nu_R \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$m_i = m_D \sim 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

- Majorana Neutrinos (Seesaw Mechanism)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu}_L & \overline{\nu}_R^c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D \\ m_D^T & M_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L^c \\ \nu_R \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$m_i \sim m_D^2 / M_R \sim 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

for $M_R \gg m_D = \mathcal{O}(m_W)$

Neutrino mass: Dirac or Majorana?

- Dirac Neutrinos (Higgs Mechanism)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu}_L & \overline{\nu}_R^c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D \\ m_D^T & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L^c \\ \nu_R \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.} \quad m_i = m_D \sim 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

- Majorana Neutrinos (Seesaw Mechanism)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu}_L & \overline{\nu}_R^c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D \\ m_D^T & M_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L^c \\ \nu_R \end{pmatrix} + \text{h.c.} \quad m_i \sim m_D^2/M_R \sim 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

for $M_R \gg m_D = \mathcal{O}(m_W)$

M_R may be explained by the spontaneous Global U(1)_L symmetry breaking

Majoron model

Singlet Majoron Model

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + i\overline{\nu}_R\gamma_\mu\partial_\mu\nu_R + \partial_\mu\Sigma^\dagger\partial_\mu\Sigma - \lambda_D\Phi^*\overline{E}_L\nu_R \\ - \frac{\lambda_R}{2}\overline{\nu}_R^c\Sigma\nu_R - \lambda_\Sigma\left(\Sigma^\dagger\Sigma - \frac{f^2}{2}\right)^2$$

Φ : SM Higgs

$E_L = (\nu_L, e_L)^T$: SU(2) doublet

Σ : new singlet scalar

Singlet Majoron Model

U(1)_L Lepton number symmetry

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + i\overline{\nu}_R \gamma_\mu \partial_\mu \nu_R + \partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial_\mu \Sigma - \lambda_D \Phi^* \overline{E}_L \nu_R - \frac{\lambda_R}{2} \overline{\nu}_R^c \Sigma \nu_R - \lambda_\Sigma \left(\Sigma^\dagger \Sigma - \frac{f^2}{2} \right)^2$$

$$\psi \rightarrow e^{iL(\psi)} \psi,$$

$$L(\nu_R) = 1, \quad L(\Sigma) = -2$$

Φ : SM Higgs

$E_L = (\nu_L, e_L)^T$: SU(2) doublet

Σ : new singlet scalar

Singlet Majoron Model

$U(1)_L$ Lepton number symmetry

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + i\bar{\nu}_R \gamma_\mu \partial_\mu \nu_R + \partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial_\mu \Sigma - \lambda_D \Phi^* \bar{E}_L \nu_R$$

$$-\frac{\lambda_R}{2} \bar{\nu}_R^c \Sigma \nu_R - \lambda_\Sigma \left(\Sigma^\dagger \Sigma - \frac{f^2}{2} \right)^2$$

Spontaneous $U(1)_L$ breaking

Φ : SM Higgs

$E_L = (\nu_L, e_L)^T$: SU(2) doublet

Σ : new singlet scalar

$$\psi \rightarrow e^{iL(\psi)} \psi,$$

$$L(\nu_R) = 1, \quad L(\Sigma) = -2$$

$$\Sigma \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(f + \sigma(x) + \underline{iJ(x)} \right)$$

(p)NG boson: $J(x)$ Majoron

Take $f \gg v \therefore m_\sigma \gg m_h$

$\rightarrow \sigma(x)$ decouples from SM

Singlet Majoron Model

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + i\bar{\nu}_R \gamma_\mu \partial_\mu \nu_R + \partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial_\mu \Sigma - \lambda_D \Phi^* \bar{E}_L \nu_R$$

$$- \frac{\lambda_R}{2} \bar{\nu}_R^c \Sigma \nu_R - \lambda_\Sigma \left(\Sigma^\dagger \Sigma - \frac{f^2}{2} \right)^2$$

$$\Sigma \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (f + \sigma(x) + iJ(x))$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} M_R \bar{\nu}_R^c \nu_R \left(1 + \frac{\sigma(x) + iJ(x)}{f} \right), M_R = \frac{\lambda_R f}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Phi^* \rightarrow (v + h(x), 0)^T / \sqrt{2}$$

$$- m_D \bar{\nu}_L \nu_R \left(1 + \frac{h(x)}{v} \right),$$

$$m_D = \frac{\lambda_D v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Since $f \gg v$,

$$M_R \gg m_D (\mathcal{O}(\lambda) \sim 1)$$

→ Seesaw mechanism works!

Majoron as a pNG boson of U(1)_L

Assume

$$m_{1,2,3} \ll m_J \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{MeV} - \text{TeV}) \ll m_{4,5,6}$$

in our work

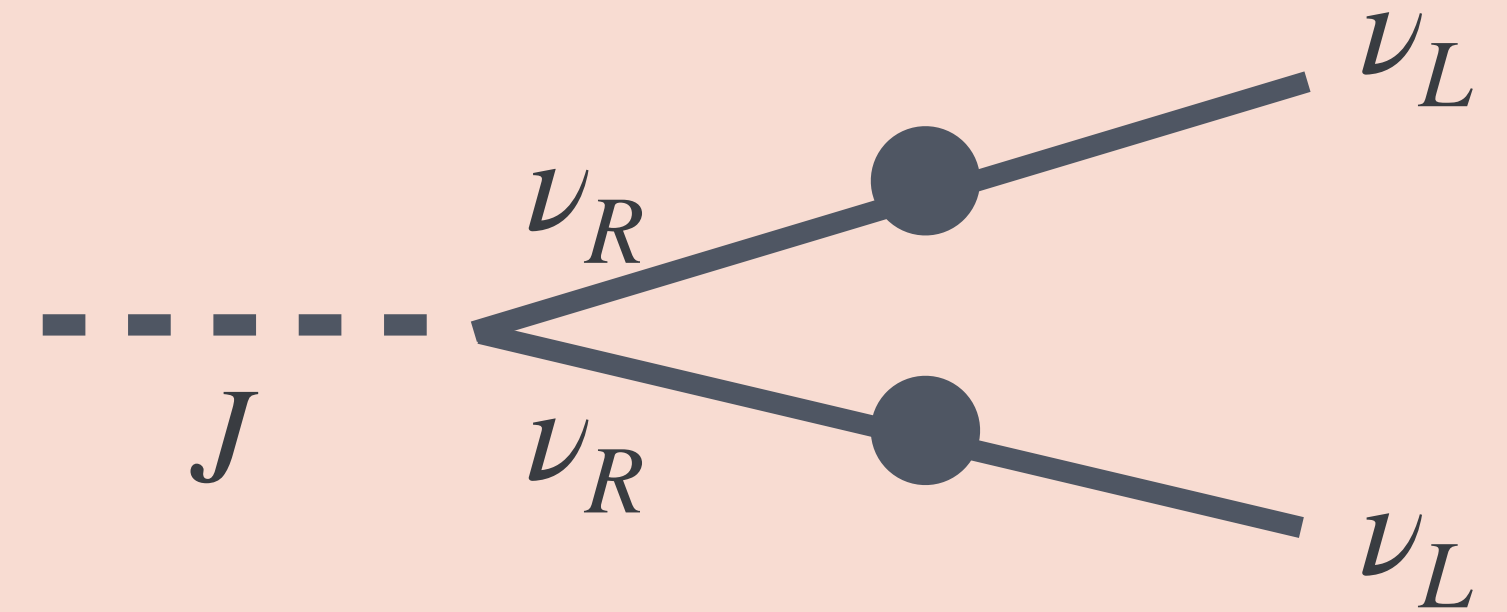
- **Stability**

- Interacts only with neutrinos at tree-level
- Suppressed by $1/f$

$$\Gamma(J \rightarrow \nu\nu) \simeq \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} \sum m_i^2 \sim \frac{1}{3 \times 10^{19} \text{ sec}} \left(\frac{m_J}{1 \text{ MeV}} \right) \left(\frac{10^9 \text{ GeV}}{f} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\sum m_i^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2} \right)$$

- **Least constrained** since they couple only with neutrinos at tree-level.

A nice DM candidate to be tested through neutrino observations



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{iM_R}{2f} J \bar{\nu}_R^c \nu_R + \text{h.c.}$$

Majoron Decay into neutrinos: $J \rightarrow 2\nu_i$

- Consider DM in Milky Way $\rightarrow$ Line-shaped signal

$$\frac{d\Phi}{dE} \propto \delta_D \left(E - \frac{m_J}{2} \right)$$

Majoron Decay into neutrinos: $J \rightarrow 2\nu_i$

- Consider DM in Milky Way $\rightarrow$ Line-shaped signal $\frac{d\Phi}{dE} \propto \delta_D \left(E - \frac{m_J}{2} \right)$
- Decay rate in **mass basis**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{iM_R}{2f} J \bar{\nu}_R^c \nu_R + \text{h.c.} = \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \frac{i\lambda_{ij}J}{2} \bar{n}_i \gamma_5 n_j, \quad \lambda_{ij} = \frac{m_i \delta_{ij}}{f}$$

1. Suppressed by vev f
2. Proportional to m_i^2

$$\Gamma(J \rightarrow 2\nu_i) = \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} m_i^2$$

Majoron Decay into neutrinos: $J \rightarrow 2\nu_i$

- Consider DM in Milky Way $\rightarrow$ Line-shaped signal $\frac{d\Phi}{dE} \propto \delta_D \left(E - \frac{m_J}{2} \right)$
- Decay rate in mass basis

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{iM_R}{2f} J \bar{\nu}_R^c \nu_R + \text{h.c.} = \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \frac{i\lambda_{ij}J}{2} \bar{n}_i \gamma_5 n_j, \quad \lambda_{ij} = \frac{m_i \delta_{ij}}{f}$$

1. Suppressed by vev f
2. Proportional to m_i^2

$$\Gamma(J \rightarrow 2\nu_i) = \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} m_i^2$$

- Extreme case:** Quasi-Degenerate(QD) neutrino mass: $m_1 \sim m_2 \sim m_3$, $\sum m_i^2 \sim 0.1 \text{ eV}^2$

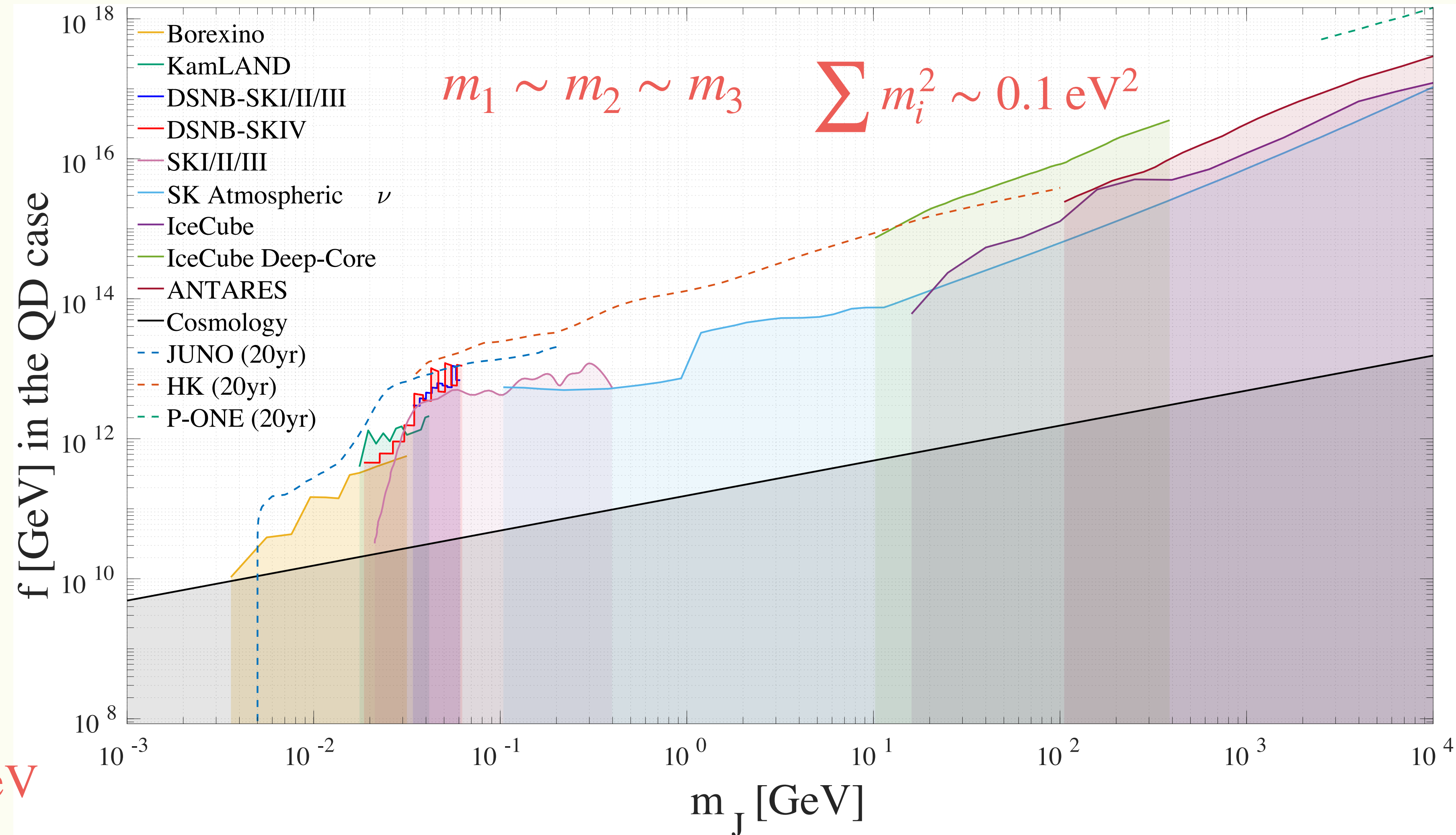
Constraint on Majoron Model(QD)

- Colored regions:
Current constraints
- Dashed curves:
Future sensitivities

- Stronger constraints
on larger m_J

$$\Gamma(J \rightarrow \nu\nu) = \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} \sum m_i^2$$

- $f > 10^{13}$ GeV at $m_J \sim 1$ GeV



Majoron Decay into neutrinos: $J \rightarrow 2\nu_i$

- Consider DM in Milky Way $\rightarrow$ Line-shaped signal $\frac{d\Phi}{dE} \propto \delta_D \left(E - \frac{m_J}{2} \right)$
- Decay rate in **mass basis**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{iM_R}{2f} J \bar{\nu}_R^c \nu_R + \text{h.c.} = \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \frac{i\lambda_{ij}J}{2} \bar{n}_i \gamma_5 n_j, \quad \lambda_{ij} = \frac{m_i \delta_{ij}}{f}$$

1. Suppressed by vev f
2. Less decay into lighter neutrino

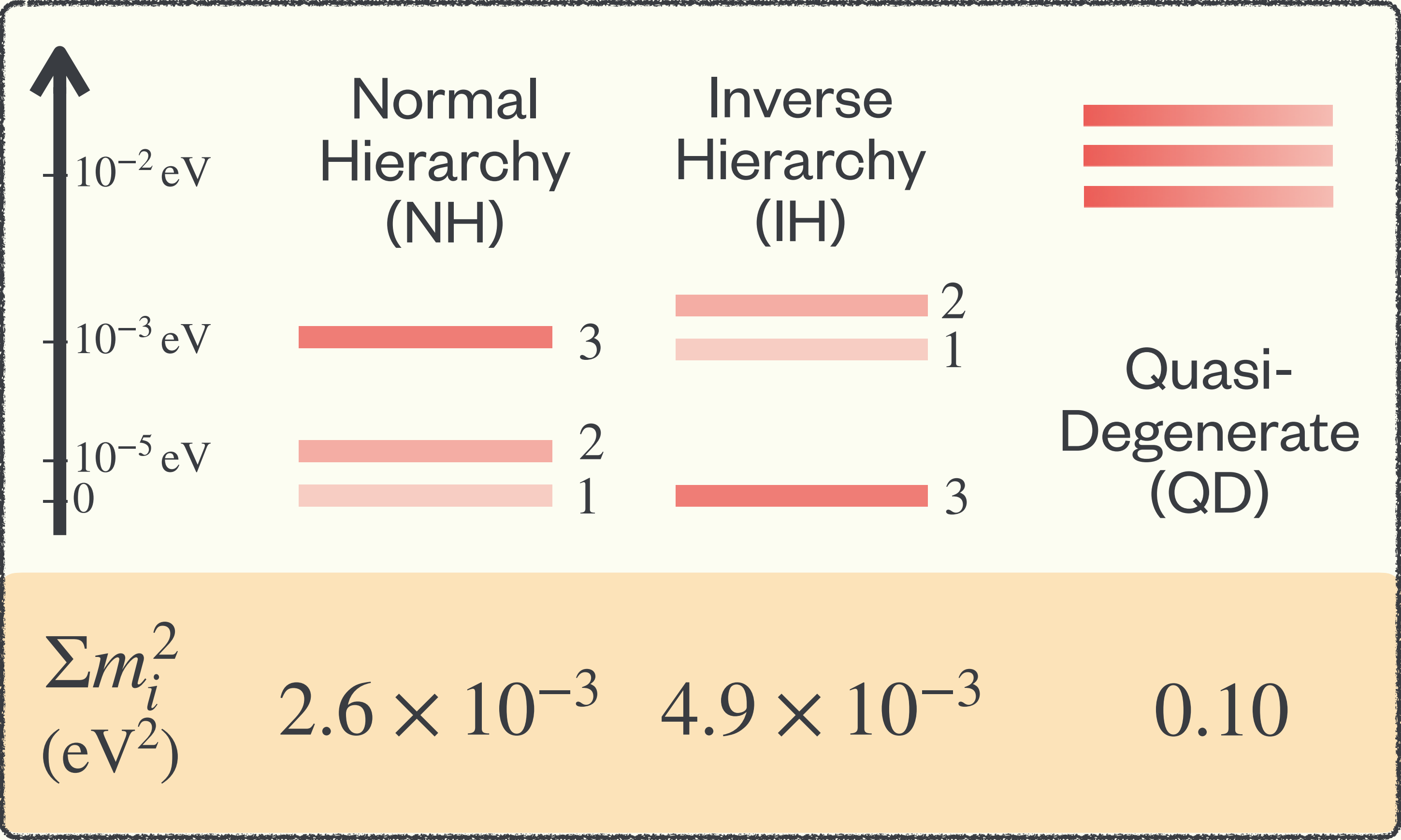
$$\Gamma(J \rightarrow 2\nu_i) = \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} m_i^2$$

- Detection in **flavor basis** Eg.) Inverse beta decay $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + e^+$ @ MeV:

1. PMNS matrix is taken into account

$$\Gamma(\text{IBD}) = P(\nu_i \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \Gamma(J \rightarrow \nu\nu) \simeq \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} \sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2$$

Uncertainty: neutrino mass

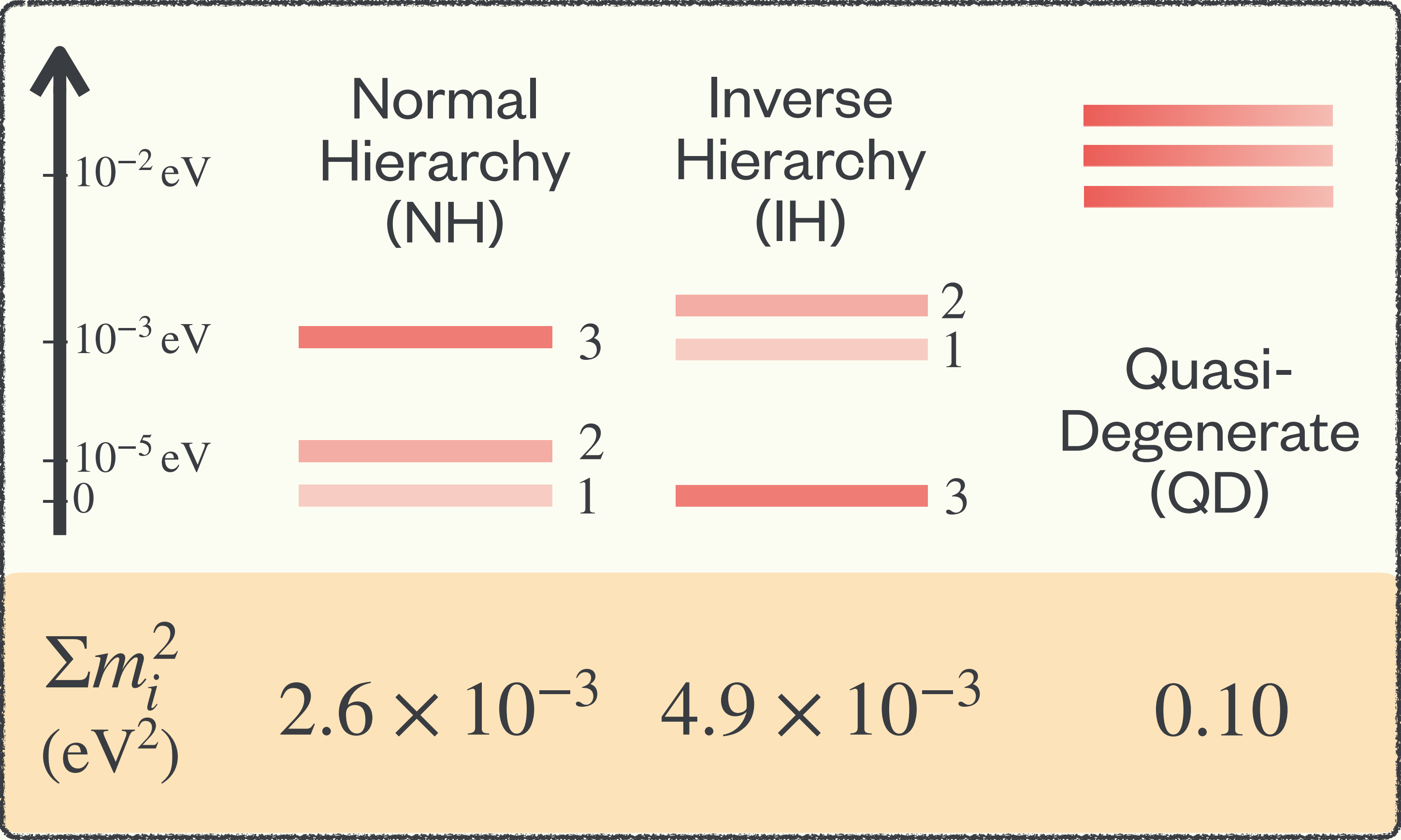


Uncertainty: neutrino mass

- Decay rate uncertainty

$$\Gamma(J \rightarrow 2\nu) = \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} \sum_{i=1}^3 m_i^2$$

Constraints get weaker
in the NH, IH case



Uncertainty: neutrino mass

- Decay rate uncertainty

$$\Gamma(J \rightarrow 2\nu) = \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} \sum_{i=1}^3 m_i^2$$

Constraints get weaker
in the NH, IH case

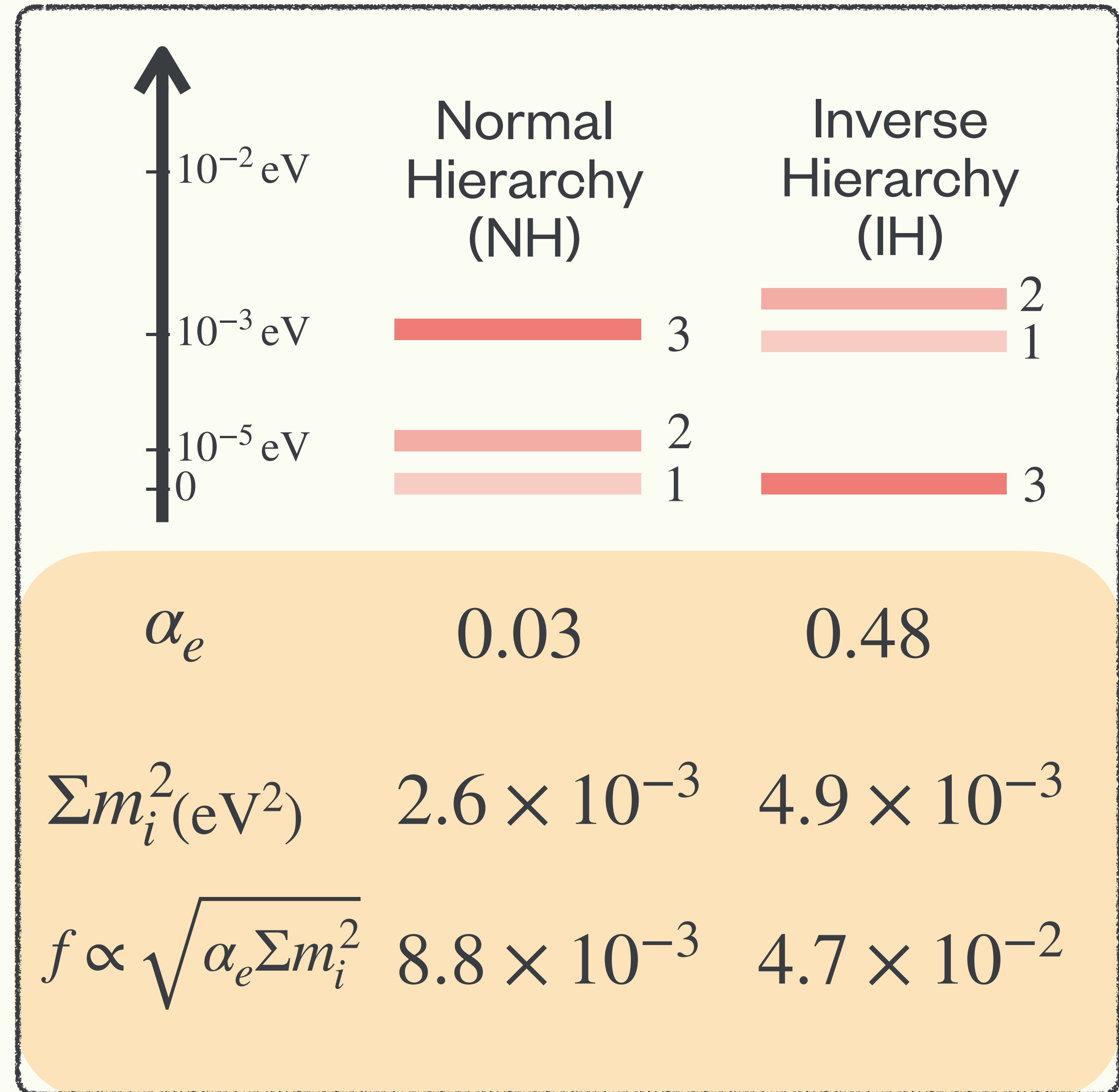
- NH vs IH (@MeV: $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow n + e^+$)

$$\Gamma(\text{IBD}) \simeq \frac{m_J}{16\pi f^2} \sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2 \propto \frac{\alpha_e \sum m_i^2}{f^2}$$

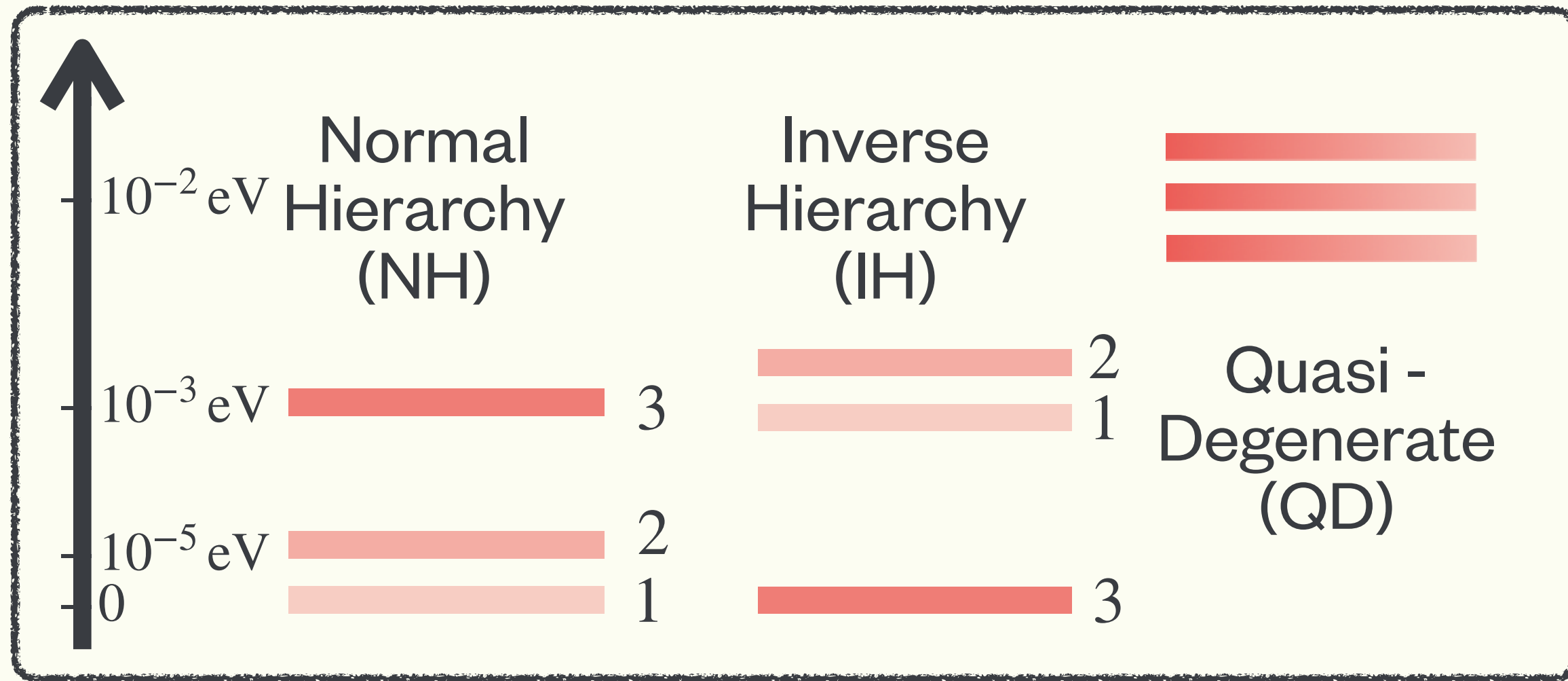
$$|U_{e1}| > |U_{e2}| > |U_{e3}|$$

Constraints from IBD is
weak in the NH case

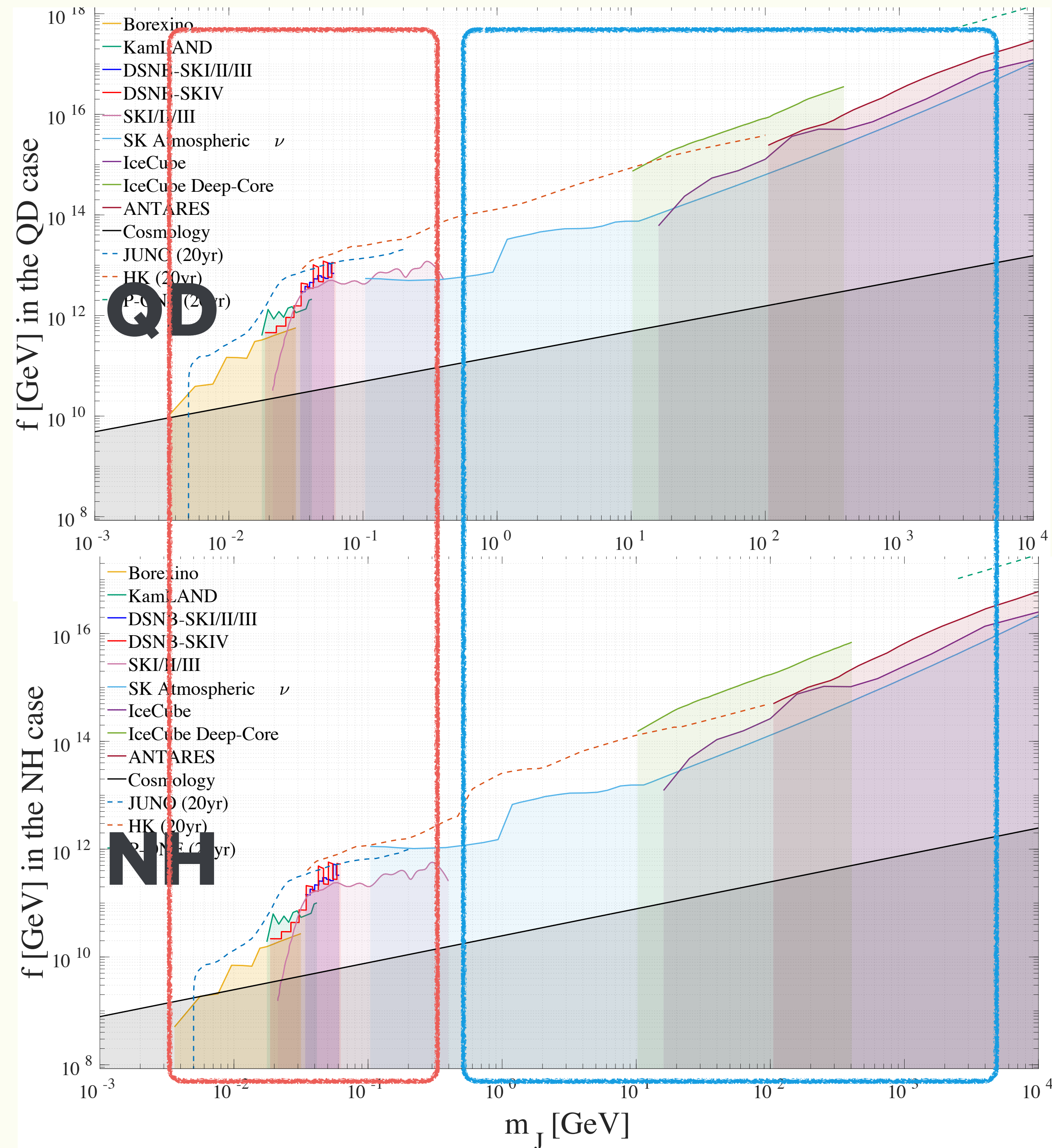
$$\alpha_e = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^3 m_i^2}$$



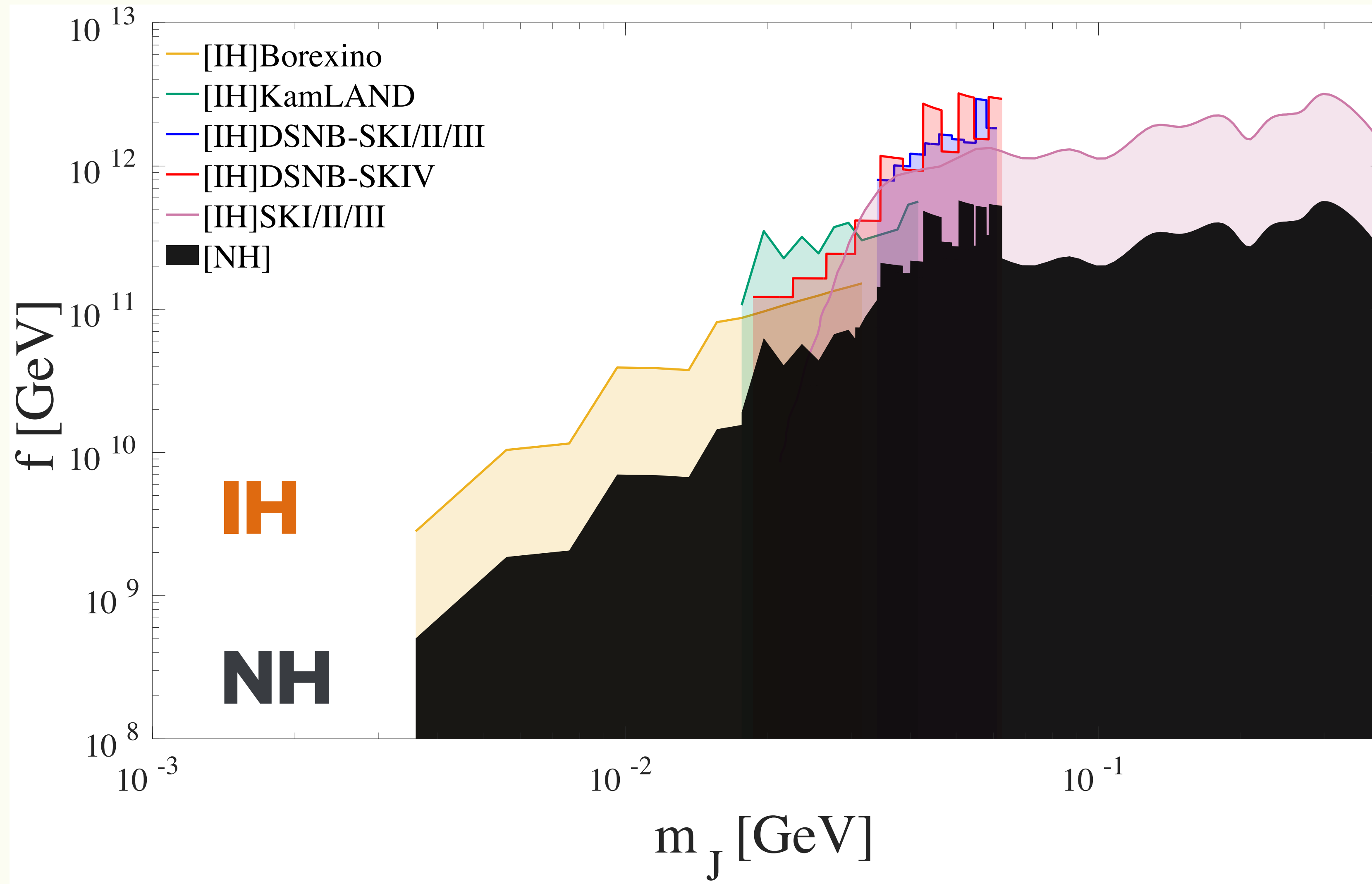
Dependence on the mass hierarchy



- $m_J \geq \mathcal{O}(1 \text{ GeV}) : \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau \rightarrow \times (2.5 \times 10^{-1})$
 - $\Gamma(J \rightarrow 2\nu) \propto \Sigma m_i^2$ gets smaller (NH)
- $m_J \lesssim \mathcal{O}(1 \text{ GeV}) : \nu_e \rightarrow \times (5 \times 10^{-2})$
 - $\Gamma(J \rightarrow 2\nu_1) = 0$ in the NH case



NH-IH determination (in MeV-GeV)



Summary

1. Majorana mass term of right-handed neutrino may arise from the spontaneous U(1)L breaking.
2. pNG boson associated with U(1)L, Majoron, can be a DM candidate depending on the symmetry breaking energy scale f
3. Neutrino signals from Majoron DM
 1. $f > 10^{12} \text{ GeV}$ at $m_J \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ (NH)
 2. Constraints strongly depend on the mass hierarchy