

# *Lepton Flavour Violation & Signals in Colliders*

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## STRUCTURE OF LECTURES

### ➤ LECTURE 1:

Motivation for LFV and generic aspects

### ➤ LECTURE 2:

LFV searches in SUSY with R-parity violation (*unstable LSP*)  
*[flavour violations from new Yukawa couplings]*

### ➤ LECTURE 3:

LFV searches in SUSY with R-parity conservation (*stable LSP*)  
*[flavour violations from non-universalities & RGE effects]*

## OBVIOUS LIMITATIONS OF STANDARD MODEL (SM)

- Arbitrary values for masses and interaction constants
- No explanation of correlations in particle charges

*Why  $Q(e) = Q(p)$ , for two particles that are so very different?*

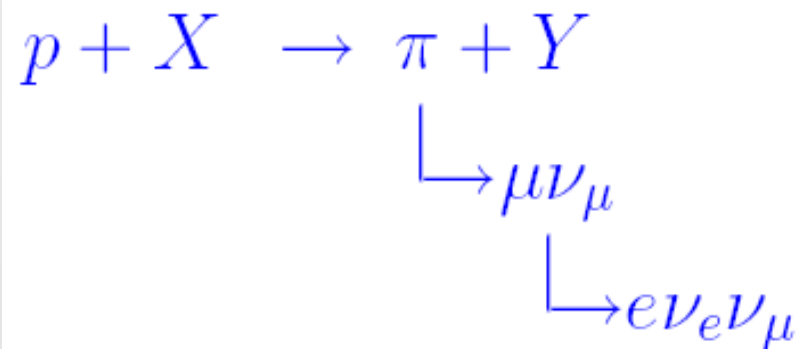
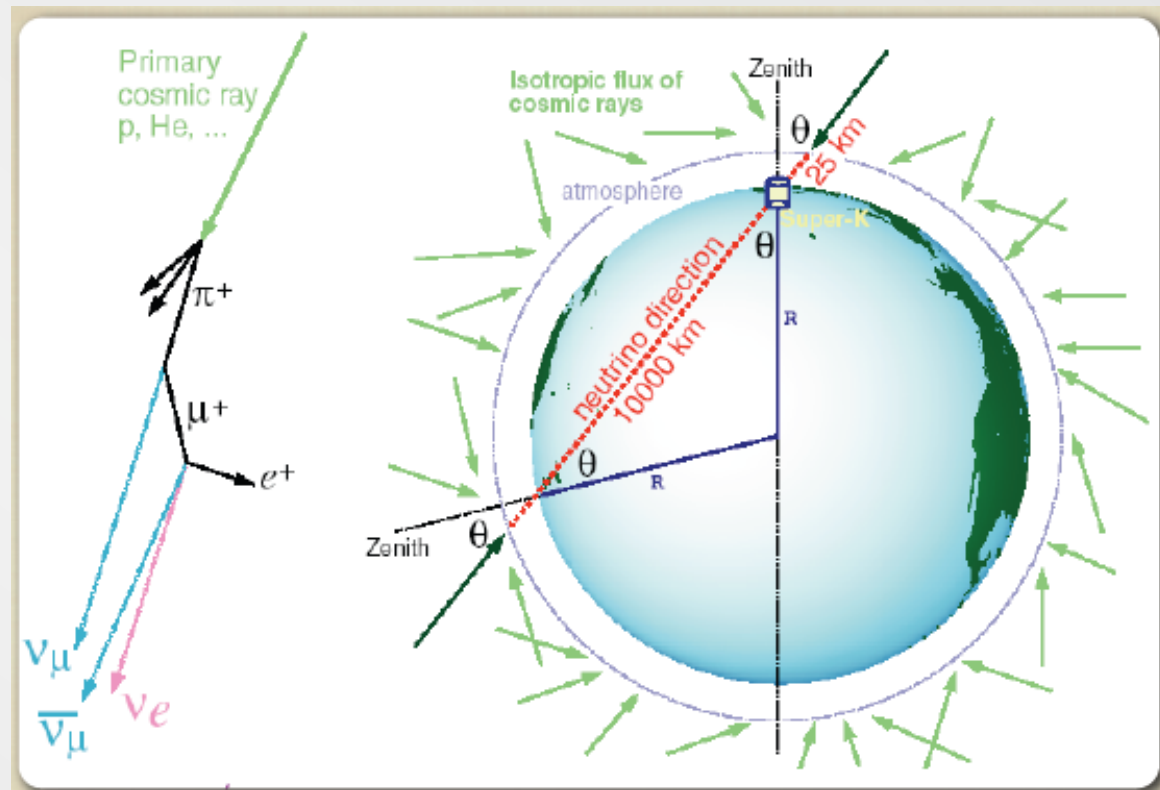
- The SM does not contain interactions that violate L & B

*How is then  $\Delta B / \Delta L$  arising in the Universe ?*

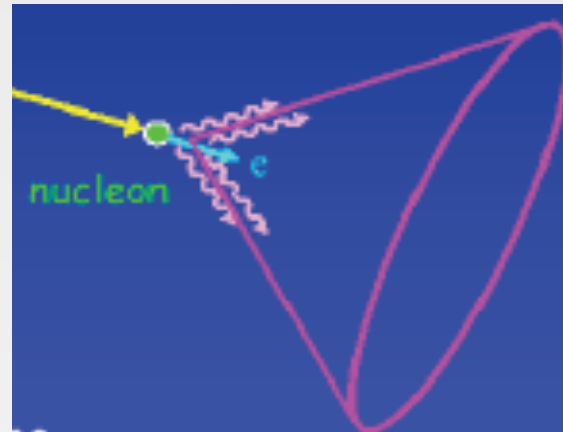
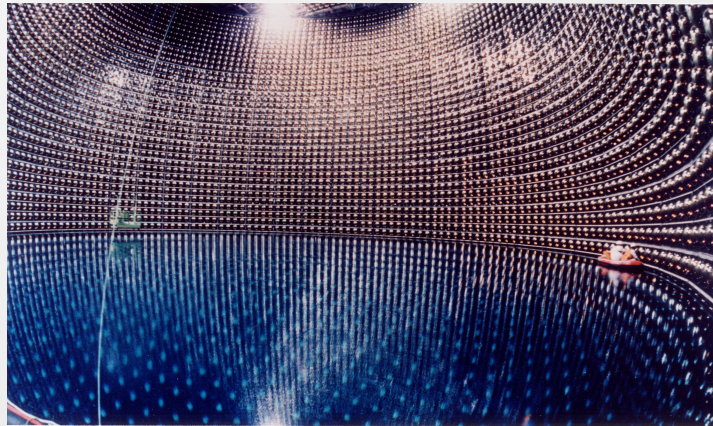
- *The symmetries of the SM do not allow neutrino masses*

*In contrast to the experimental evidence of recent years!*

## Atmospheric Neutrinos (fewer $\nu_\mu$ )



- Expected  $\nu_\mu/\nu_e$  ratio: **2**
- Observed: **1.2**

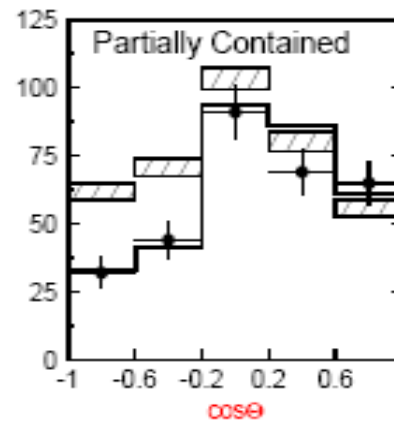
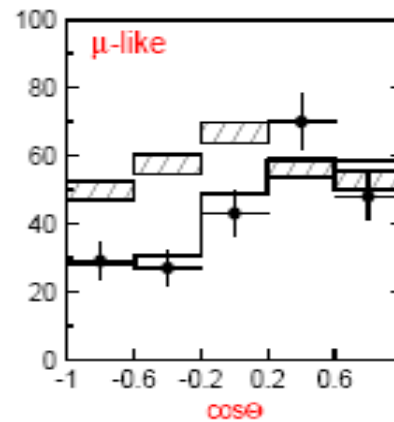
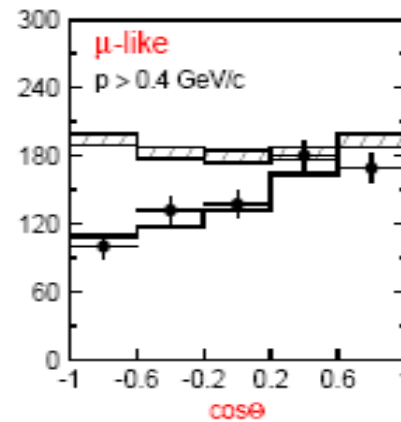
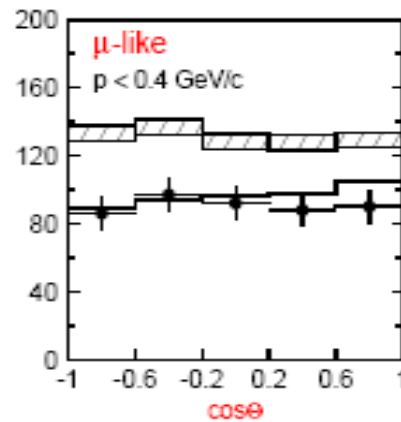
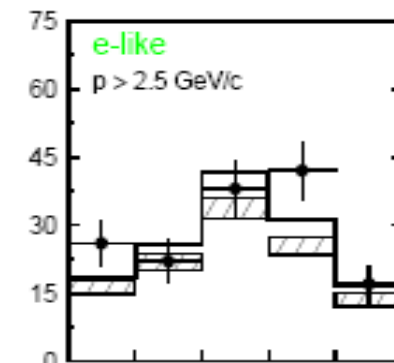
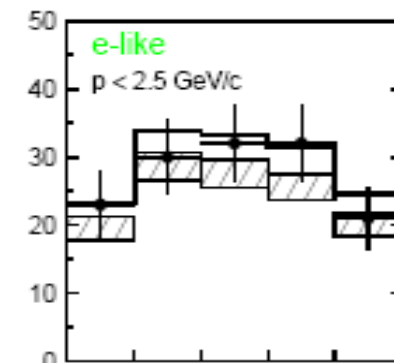
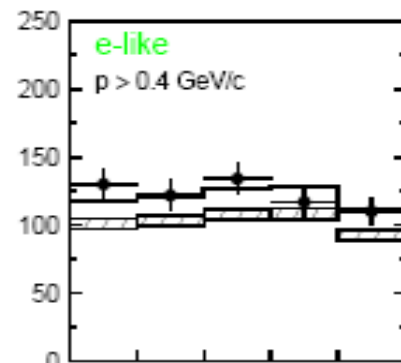
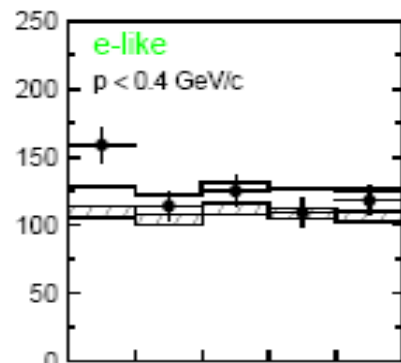


## Super-Kamiokande

$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} ?$

sub-GeV

multi-GeV



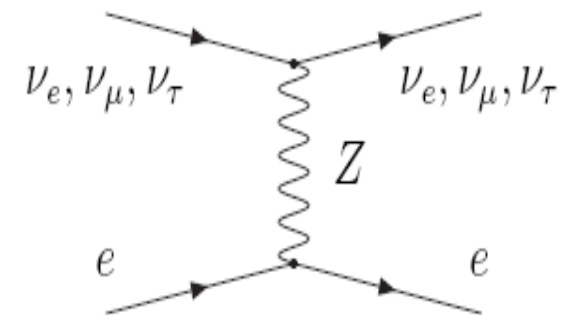
## SOLAR NEUTRINOS at SNO

Compare flows:

- Interactions of solar neutrinos with deuterium at SNO  
- only the  $\nu_e$  interact



- $\nu - e$  scattering at Super-Kamiokande  
where all  $\nu_{e,\mu,\tau}$  interact

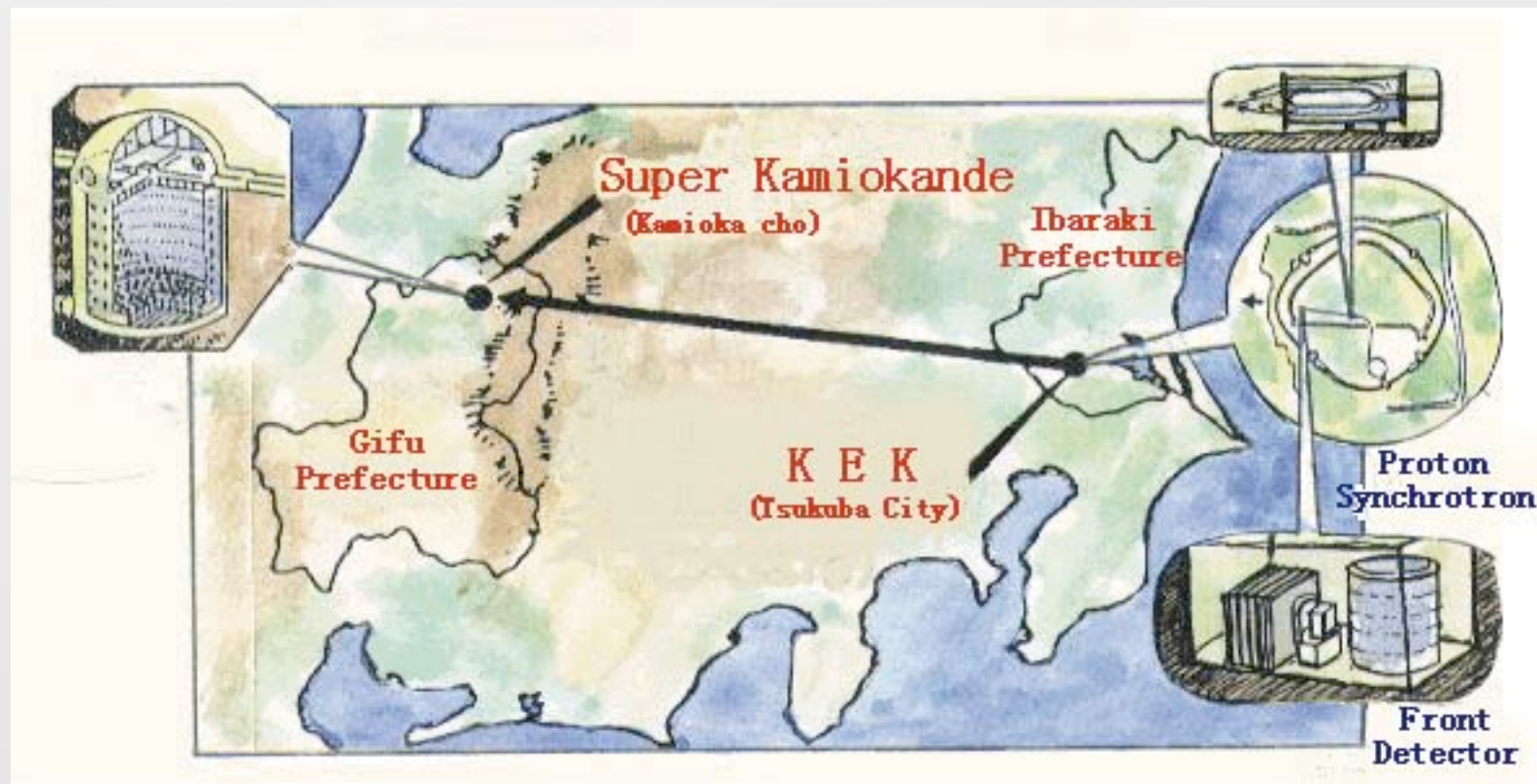


The 25% is due to  $\nu_e$  from the sun oscillating away - still counted in (2) but not in (1)

$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu$  ?

Kamland: Measurements of  $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$

K2K Neutrino Oscillations: Beam travels for 250 km and fewer events than expected are detected



MINOS - the beam travels for 750 km





## What did we learn for neutrino masses/mixings

	lower limit	best value	upper limit
$\Delta m_{sun}^2 (10^{-5} eV^2)$	5.4	6.9	9.5
$\Delta m_{atmo}^2 (10^{-3} eV^2)$	1.4	2.6	3.57
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	0.23	0.30	0.39
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	0.31	0.52	0.72
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	0	0.006	0.1

-Nearly maximal 2-3 (atmospheric) mixing

-Large 1-2 (solar) mixing

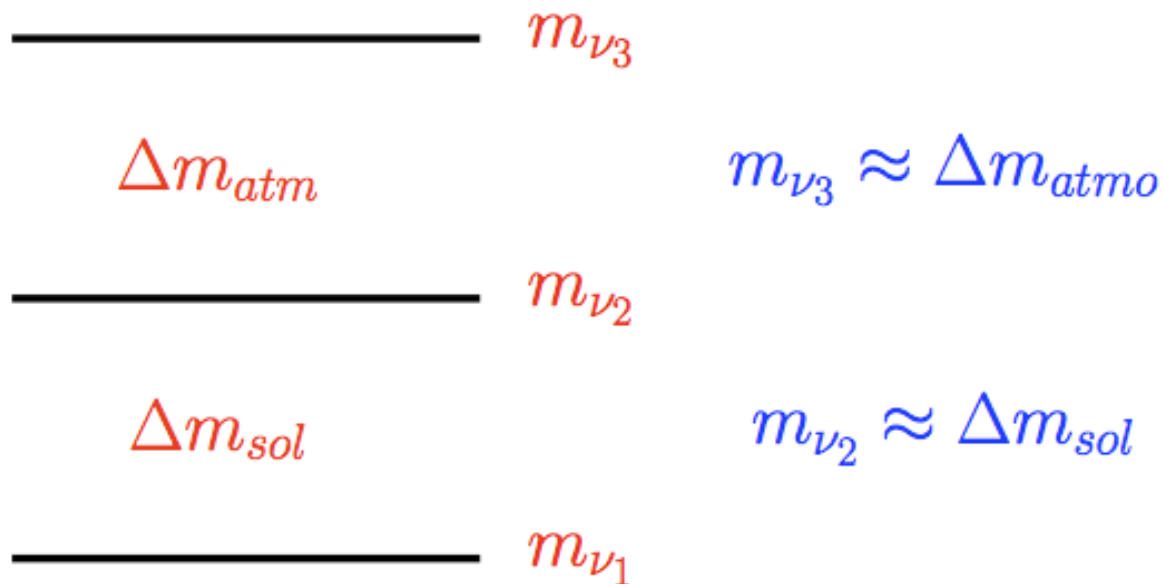
-Small 1-3 mixing (CHOOZ exp)

-Very small neutrino mass differences

• In absence of light  $\nu_s$ :

1: Sol.+Atmo+ $\mathcal{O}$  (eV) mass  $\Rightarrow m_{\nu_e} \approx m_{\nu_\mu} \approx m_{\nu_\tau} \mathcal{O}(\text{eV})$

2: Only Sol. + Atmo: large mass hierarchies

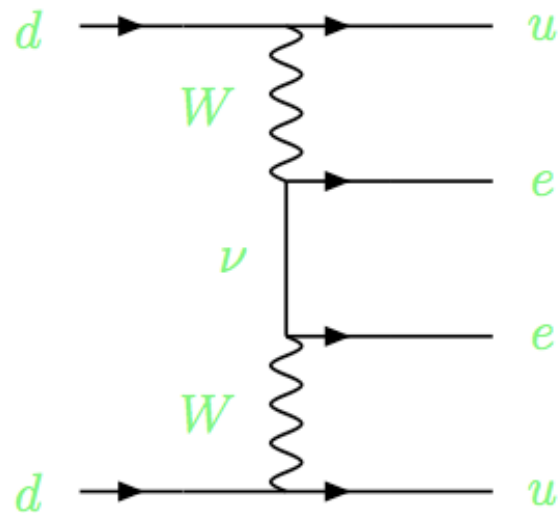


(also possibility for inverse hierarchies)

## Direct experimental bounds

- $m_{\nu_e} \leq 2.8 \text{ eV}$  by searches in  $\beta$  decays
- $m_{\nu_\mu} \leq 170 \text{ keV}$ ,  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$
- $m_{\nu_\tau} \leq 18 \text{ MeV}$ , by hadronic  $\tau$ -decays
- Major. neutrino mass ( $\Delta L = 2$ ) bound from  $00\beta\beta$ :

$$m_{\nu_{ee}} \leq 0.2 \text{ eV}$$



## Neutrino masses and oscillations: basic physics

- For the simple case of  $2 \times 2$  mixing, the mass eigenvectors  $|\nu_{1,2}\rangle$ , do not coincide with the interaction ones  $|\nu_{e,\mu}\rangle$

$$\begin{pmatrix} |\nu_e\rangle \\ |\nu_\mu\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\nu_1\rangle \\ |\nu_2\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

- Even if at  $t = x = 0$  only  $\nu_e$

$$|\nu_e(t)\rangle = \cos \theta e^{-iE_1 t} |\nu_1\rangle + \sin \theta e^{-iE_2 t} |\nu_2\rangle$$

$$E_{1,2} = \sqrt{p^2 + m_{1,2}^2} \approx p + \frac{m_{1,2}^2}{2p}$$

at  $t > 0$ , also  $\nu_\mu$  with probability

$$(P_{\nu_a \rightarrow \nu_b}(L) = |\langle \nu_a(0) | \nu_b(t) \rangle|^2)$$

$$P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2 t}{4p}\right)$$

- Mixing angle  $\leftrightarrow$  Amplitude of oscillations  
 $\Delta m^2 \leftrightarrow$  Period of oscillations

Characteristic oscillation length  $L_\nu = \frac{4\pi p}{\Delta m_{21}^2}$

Fundamental formulas for all searches

## Generate to $3 \times 3$ mixing

- Neutrino Oscillations:

$$|\nu_a\rangle = \sum_i U_{ai} |\nu_i\rangle, \quad a = e, \mu, \tau; \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$
$$|\nu_j\rangle = \sum_b U_{jb}^\dagger |\nu_b\rangle$$

Parameters: 2 independent  $\Delta m^2$ , 3 angles, 1 phase

A straightforward parametrisation is:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 c_3 & s_1 c_3 & s_3 e^{i\delta} \\ -s_1 c_2 - c_1 s_2 s_3 e^{i\delta} & c_1 c_2 - s_1 s_2 s_3 e^{i\delta} & s_2 c_3 \\ s_1 s_2 - c_1 c_2 s_3 e^{i\delta} & -c_1 s_2 - s_1 c_2 s_3 e^{i\delta} & c_2 c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

## (A) In SM massless neutrinos:

- No-right handed neutrinos  $\Rightarrow$  *no Dirac mass*
- from renormalisability and gauge invariance  $\Rightarrow$   
*no Majorana mass either*

## (B) For massive neutrinos, need to extend theory:

1. Extend only lepton sector.
2. Extend only Higgs sector.
3. Extend both Higgs and lepton sector.
4. Add other new particles and interactions.

*Signatures of these can be seen at the LHC!*

## $\nu_R$ and See-Saw mechanism

How can we generate naturally light neutrinos?

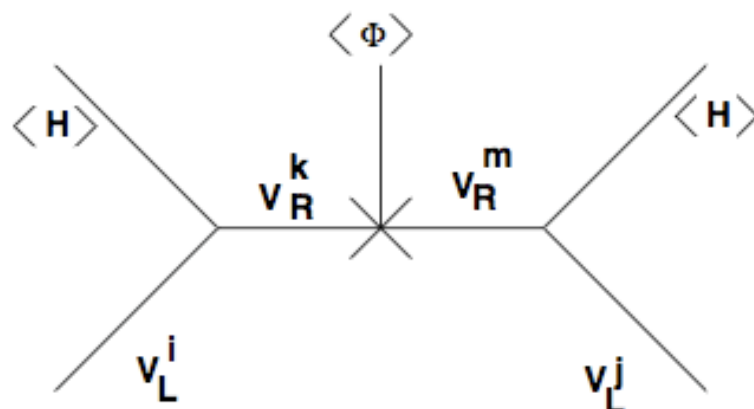
Combine  $m_\nu^D$  and  $M_{\nu_R}$  to write a mass matrix

$$\mathcal{M}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_\nu^D \\ m_\nu^D & M_{\nu_R} \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $M_{\nu_R} \gg m_\nu^D$ , a very heavy eigenvalue  $M_N \approx M_{\nu_R}$  and a very light

$$m_{eff} \approx \left| \frac{(m_\nu^D)^2}{M_{\nu_R}} \right|$$





For  $(m_\nu^D)_{33} \approx (200 \text{ GeV})$  ( $\lambda_N \approx \lambda_t$ ) and  $M_{N_3} \approx \mathcal{O}(10^{13} \text{ GeV})$ ,

$m_{eff} \approx 1 \text{ eV}$

- Lepton mixing analogous to  $V_{CKM}$  for quarks

$V_{MNS} = V_\nu^\dagger V_{\ell_L}$  : generated both by  $\ell^\pm$  and  $\nu$

## Effects of radiative corrections on neutrino masses and mixing

For  $i, j$ , generation indices

$$\frac{1}{m_{eff}^{ij}} \frac{d}{dt} m_{eff}^{ij} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \left( -c_i g_i^2 + 3\lambda_t^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_i^2 + \lambda_j^2) \right)$$

$$16\pi^2 \frac{d}{dt} \sin^2 2\theta_{23} = 2 \sin^2 2\theta_{23} (1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta_{23}) \lambda_\tau^2 \frac{m_{eff}^{33} + m_{eff}^{22}}{m_{eff}^{33} - m_{eff}^{22}}$$

$\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$  affected by quantum corrections if:

- (i)  $\lambda_\tau$  large (large  $\tan \beta$ )    (ii)  $m_{eff}^{33} - m_{eff}^{22}$  small

Semi-analytic and numerical studies  $\Rightarrow$

- The mixing can even be amplified/destroyed

## Corrections from Massive Neutrinos (L-sector)

$$16\pi^2 \frac{d}{dt} \lambda_t = (6\lambda_t^2 + \lambda_N^2 - G_U) \lambda_t$$

$$16\pi^2 \frac{d}{dt} \lambda_N = (4\lambda_N^2 + 3\lambda_t^2 - G_N) \lambda_N$$

$$16\pi^2 \frac{d}{dt} \lambda_b = (\lambda_t^2 - G_D) \lambda_b$$

$$16\pi^2 \frac{d}{dt} \lambda_\tau = (\lambda_N^2 - G_E) \lambda_\tau$$

$$t \frac{d}{dt} (m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2)_i^j = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left\{ (m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2 \lambda_\ell^\dagger \lambda_\ell)_i^j + (m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2 \lambda_\nu^\dagger \lambda_\nu)_i^j + \dots \right\}$$

$$\delta m_{\tilde{\ell}} \propto \frac{1}{16\pi} \ln \frac{M_{\text{GUT}}}{M_N} \lambda_\nu^\dagger \lambda_\nu m_{\text{SUSY}}^2$$

## Correlations with quark-charged lepton hierarchies

(i.e. Why the top quark mass so much larger?)

➤ A family symmetry generates the observed hierarchies

	$Q_i$	$\bar{U}_i$	$\bar{D}_i$	$L_i$	$\bar{E}_i$	$H_2$	$H_1$
$U(1)$	$a_i$	$a_i$	$a_i$	$b_i$	$b_i$	$-2a_3$	$wa_3$

➤ The rest of the terms appear once the symmetry is broken

$$Q_i \bar{U}_j H_2 (\langle \theta \rangle / M)^n$$

*Similarly for other fermions, including neutrinos*

◆ Up-mass matrix:

Top coupling  $Q_3\bar{U}_3H_2$  0 charge  $\Rightarrow$  allowed

All other couplings forbidden

$$M^{up} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

◆ Suppose singlets  $\theta$  with non-0 flavor-charges  
(singlets expected in realistic models)

Then: invariant terms  $Q_i\bar{U}_jH_2(\langle \theta \rangle / M)^n$

$n$  depending on flavour charges

◆ Hierarchical mass structures generated for ALL fermions

## $SU(5)$

- (i) Assume the family symmetry is combined with  $SU(5)$
- (ii) Use the GUT structure ONLY to constrain  $U(1)$  charges

Under this group we have the following relations:

$$Q_{(q,u^c,e^c)_i} = Q_i^{10}$$

$$Q_{(l,d^c)_i} = Q_i^{\bar{5}}$$

$$Q_{(\nu_R)_i} = Q_i^{\nu_R}$$

- $M_{up}$  symmetric
- $M_{\ell\pm} = M_{down}^T$
- L lepton mixing  $\approx$  R down-quark one

Can we obtain acceptable patterns of masses/mixings? i.e.

$$\frac{M_u}{m_t} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\epsilon}^6 & \bar{\epsilon}^5 & \bar{\epsilon}^3 \\ \bar{\epsilon}^5 & \bar{\epsilon}^4 & \bar{\epsilon}^2 \\ \bar{\epsilon}^3 & \bar{\epsilon}^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{M_{down}}{m_b} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\epsilon}^4 & \bar{\epsilon}^3 & \bar{\epsilon}^3 \\ \bar{\epsilon}^3 & \bar{\epsilon}^2 & \bar{\epsilon}^2 \\ \bar{\epsilon} & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{M_\ell}{m_\tau} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\epsilon}^4 & \bar{\epsilon}^3 & \bar{\epsilon} \\ \bar{\epsilon}^3 & \bar{\epsilon}^2 & 1 \\ \bar{\epsilon}^3 & \bar{\epsilon}^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, m_{eff} \propto \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\epsilon}^2 & \bar{\epsilon} & \bar{\epsilon} \\ \bar{\epsilon} & 1 & 1 \\ \bar{\epsilon} & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## $SO(10)$

- All L- and R-handed fermions in the 16 of  $SO(10)$
- Both MSSM Higgs fields fit in a single 10 of  $SO(10)$   $\Downarrow$

For all fermions, *L-R symmetric textures*, similar structure  
(different expansion parameters due to Higgs mixing)

## Flipped $SU(5)$

$$Q_{(q,d^c,\nu^c)_i} = Q_i^{10}, \quad Q_{(l,u^c)_i} = Q_i^{\bar{5}}, \quad e^c \text{ singlet of } SU(5)$$

- Symmetric  $M_{down}$
- $m_\nu^D = M_{up}^T$



## Minimal Models with Abelian Flavour Symmetries

- Large splitting between fermion masses

Naturally leads to large neutrino hierarchies

- Unknown phases/order unity coefficients  $\Downarrow$

Difficult to obtain naturally degenerate neutrinos

- In many models lepton hierarchies consistent with mostly

SAMSW but LAMSW possible, ie by see-saw conditions

## Models with non-Abelian flavour symmetries

- Degenerate  $\nu$  and  $\ell^\pm$  textures assuming  
ie that the lepton fields are  $SO(3)$  triplets
- Subsequently break  $SO(3)$  so as:  
large charged lepton splitting/ small neutrino splitting
- Favour almost-degenerate neutrino textures
- Textures with (almost)-bimaximal mixing predicted  
LMSW / VO oscillations for solar neutrinos

# Flavour symmetries determine soft SUSY terms

$$\mathcal{L}_{m^2} = m_0^2(\phi_1^*\phi_1 + \phi_2^*\phi_2 + \phi_3^*\phi_3 + \left(\frac{\langle\theta\rangle}{M_{\text{fl}}}\right)^{q_2-q_1} \phi_1^*\phi_2 + \left(\frac{\langle\theta\rangle}{M_{\text{fl}}}\right)^{q_3-q_1} \phi_1^*\phi_3 + \left(\frac{\langle\theta\rangle}{M_{\text{fl}}}\right)^{q_3-q_2} \phi_2^*\phi_3 + \text{h.c.}).$$

L-R symmetric

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{\epsilon}^{|a+2b|} & \tilde{\epsilon}^{|a+b|} \\ \tilde{\epsilon}^{|a+2b|} & 1 & \tilde{\epsilon}^{|b|} \\ \tilde{\epsilon}^{|a+b|} & \tilde{\epsilon}^{|b|} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

SU(5)

$$\mathbf{E}_L \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda^2 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^2 & 1 & 1 \\ \lambda^2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_R \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda & 1 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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L: (1,0,0)

R: (3,2,0)

## Baryonic/Leptonic Asymmetry in Universe

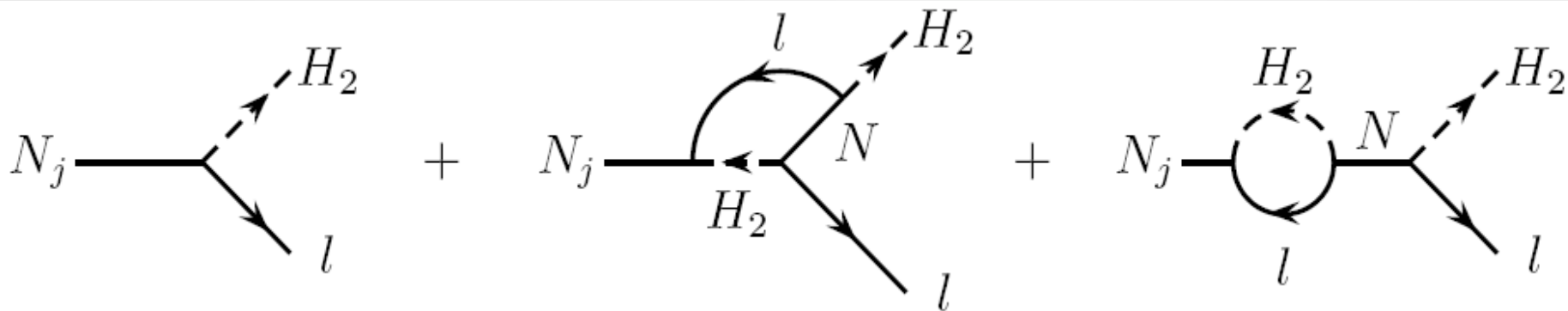
➤ Violation of B, L

$$n_B = N_B - N_{\bar{B}}$$

➤ CP violation (*differences in scattering of (anti)-matter*)

➤ Out-of-Equilibrium Conditions (*no reverse reaction to bring system back to initial state*)

❖ Neutrino Mass:  $\Delta L$  & finally  $\Delta B$  (due to interactions)



*Tree level and one-loop diagrams contributing to heavy neutrino decays*

Out-of-equilibrium condition:

Decay rates smaller than Hubble parameter  $H$  at  $T \approx M_{N_1}$

Three-level width of  $N_1$ :  $\Gamma = \frac{(\lambda^\dagger \lambda)_{11}}{8\pi} M_{N_1}$

Compare with:  $H \approx 1.7 g_*^{1/2} \frac{T^2}{M_p}$

( $g_*^{MSSM} \approx 228.75$ ,  $g_*^{SM} = 106.75$ )

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\lambda^\dagger \lambda)_{11}}{14\pi g_*^{1/2}} M_p < M_{N_1}$$

*More accurate by looking at Boltzmann equations*

## $CP$ -violating asymmetry, $\epsilon$

(interference between tree-level and 1-loop amplitudes)

$$\epsilon_j = \frac{1}{(8\pi\lambda^\dagger\lambda)_{11}} \sum_j \text{Im} [(\lambda^\dagger\lambda)_{1j}^2] f\left(\frac{m_{N_j}^2}{m_{N_1}^2}\right)$$

$$f(y) = \sqrt{y} \left[ 1 - (1+y) \ln\left(\frac{1+y}{y}\right) \right]$$

Plus self-energy corrections  $\tilde{\delta} \propto \frac{M_{N_1}}{(M_{N_2} - M_{N_1})}$

Satisfying the basic conditions in such a framework  
gives additional constraints

## LFV IN RARE DECAYS AND CONVERSIONS

In SM extensions with  $\Delta L_i \neq 0$ , non-zero rates for processes such as:

$$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$$

$$\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$$

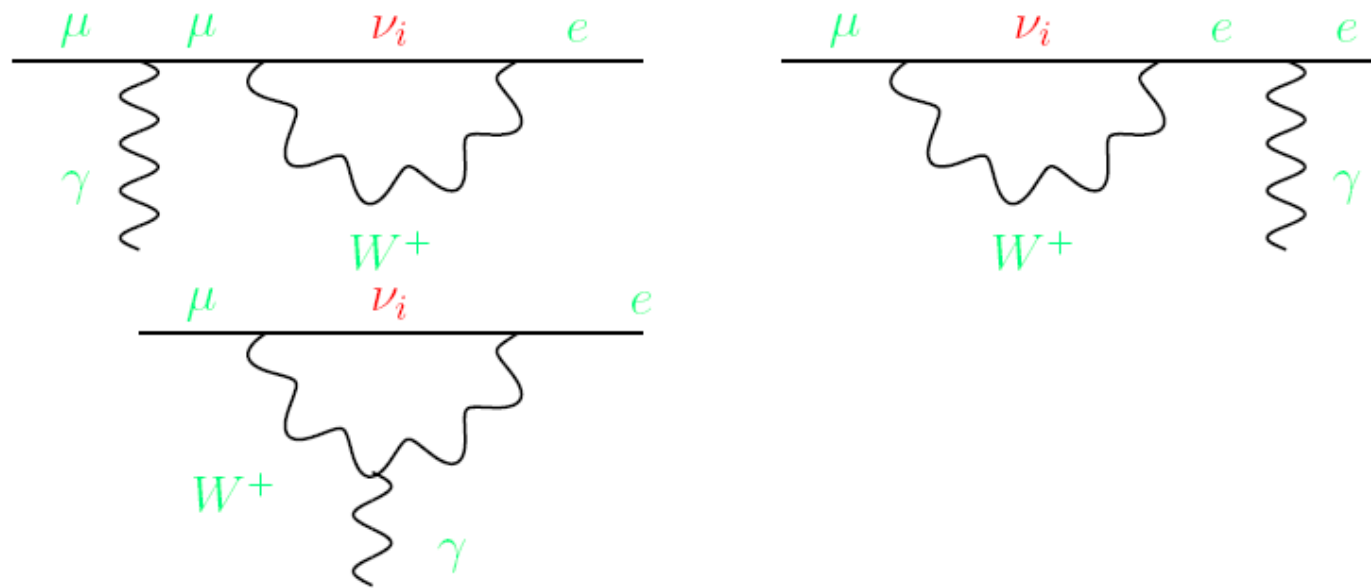
$\mu - e$  conversion on nuclei

*Very good expected future BR sensitivities:*

$$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma \quad 10^{-14}$$

$$\mu^{-Ti} \rightarrow e^{-Ti} \quad 10^{-18}$$

1.  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  in the SM with  $m_{\nu_i} \neq 0$

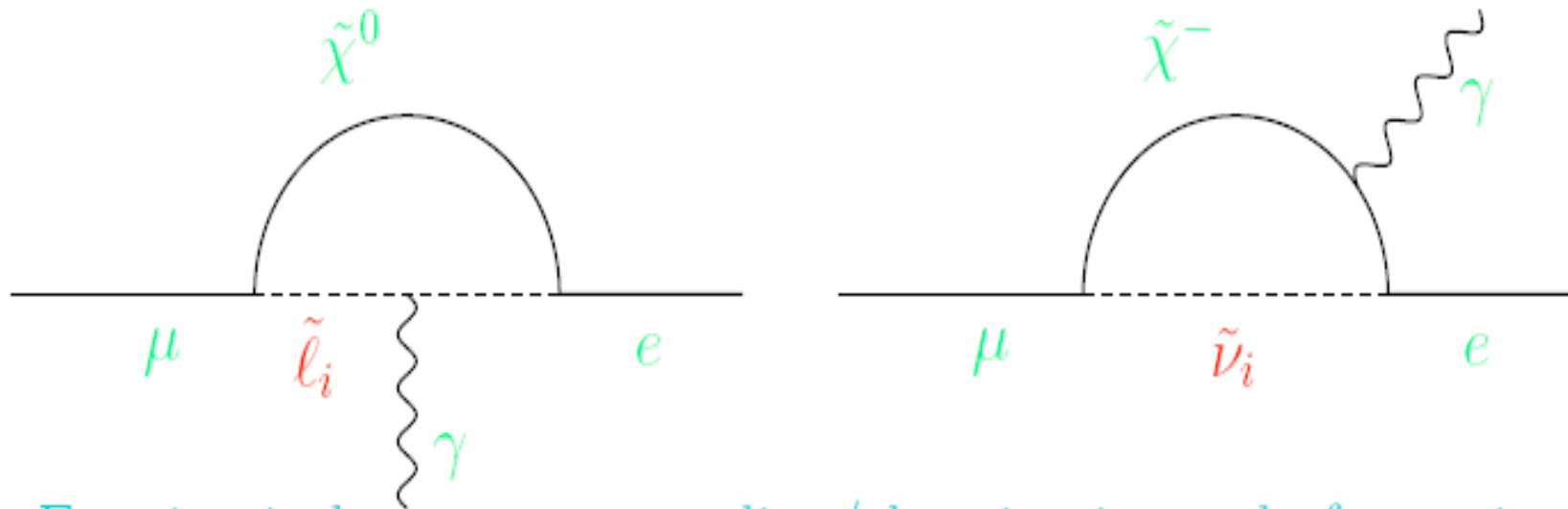


$$\nu_i = \nu_\mu \cos \theta + \nu_e \sin \theta, \quad \Gamma = \frac{1}{16} \frac{G_F^2 m_\mu^5 \alpha}{128 \pi^4} \left( \frac{m_2^2 - m_1^2}{m_W^2} \right) \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta$$

$BR \leq 10^{-50}$ , for  $\Delta m_{12}^2$  from neutrino data too small!



Very different in SUSY!



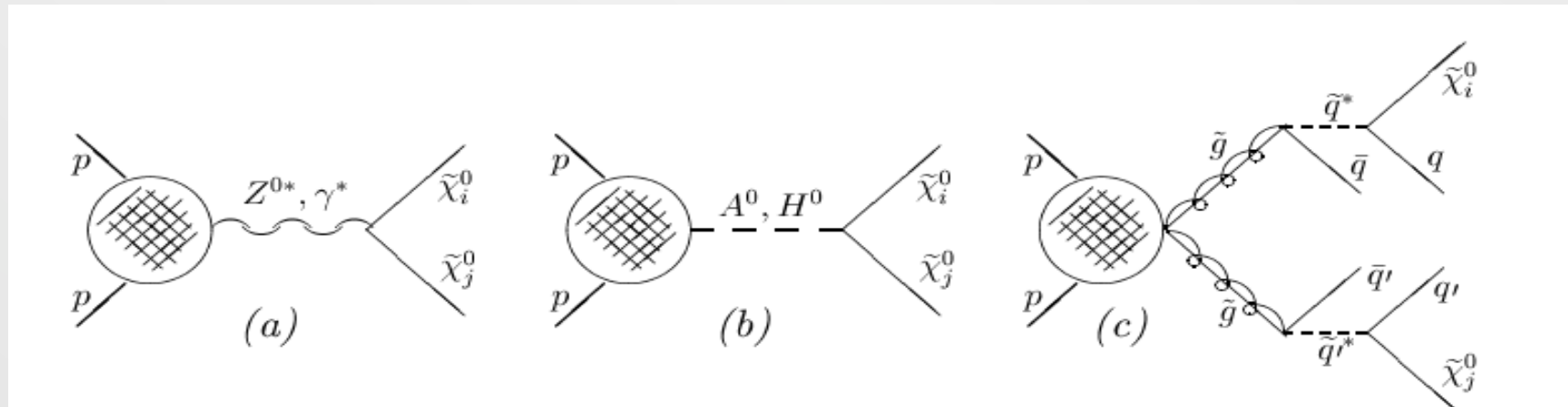
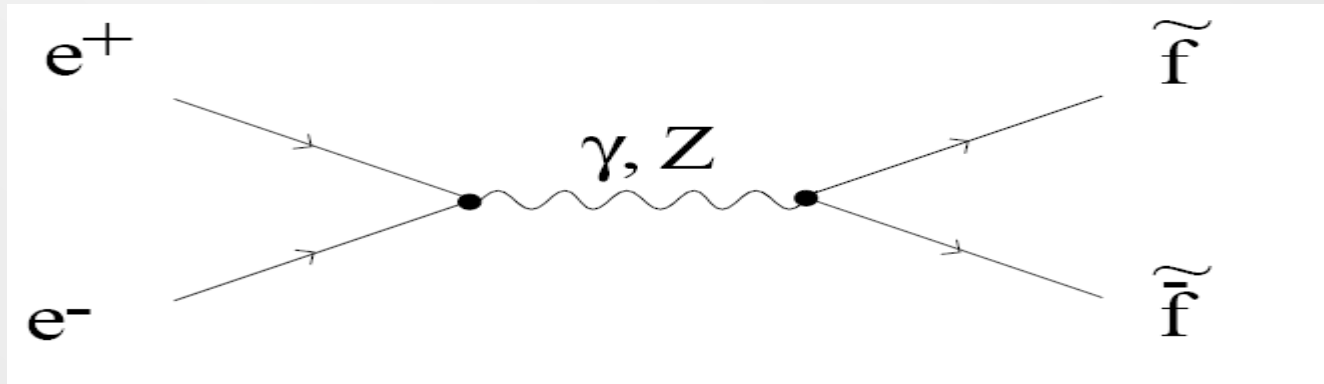
Fermion in loop now neutralino/chargino instead of neutrino

(  $m_{\tilde{\chi}^0}, m_{\tilde{\chi}^\pm} \gg m_\nu \Rightarrow$  large rates)

## Passing to Colliders

SUSY Interactions: All of the SM

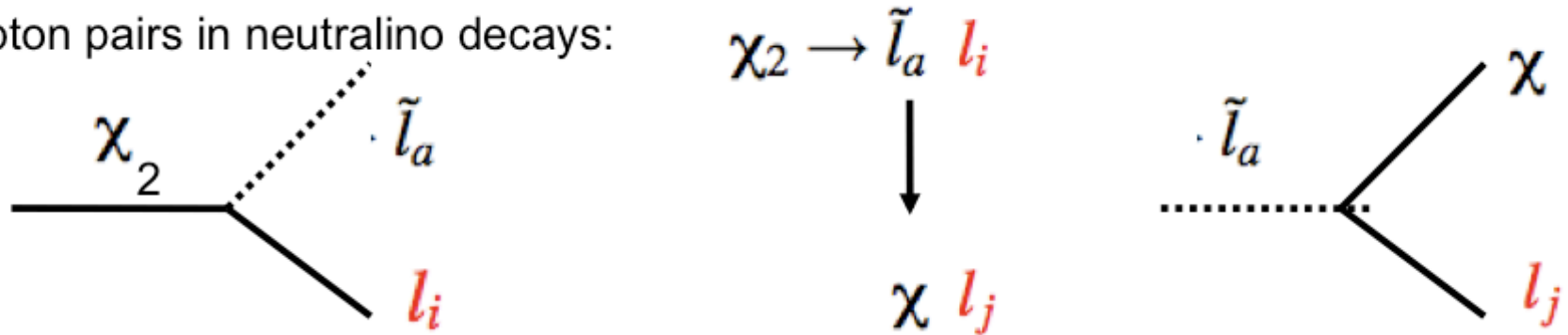
+ vertices where 2 particles substituted by s-particles



Simplest SUSY Models: “Missing Energy Signatures”

## Example of FC versus LFV

Lepton pairs in neutralino decays:



LC: Decays involving leptons of same flavour

LFV:  $\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi + \tau^\pm \mu^\mp$

**How large LFV?**

Depends on sfermion mixing (back to MODEL BUILDING)

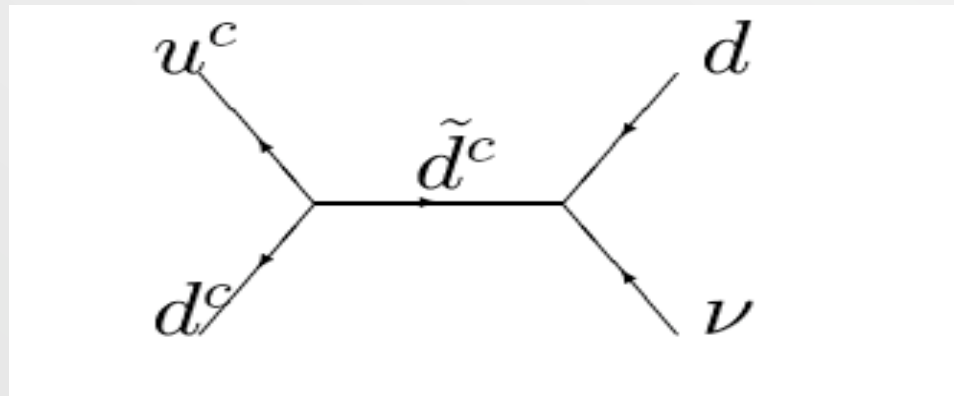
## SUSY & R-violation?

In addition to interactions generating fermion masses

also

$$\lambda_{ijk} L_i L_j \bar{E}_k \quad \lambda'_{ijk} L_i Q_j \bar{D}_k \quad \lambda''_{ijk} \bar{U}_i \bar{D}_j \bar{D}_k$$

- These violate  $B$  &  $L$  [45 couplings from  $SU(2), SU(3)$ ]
- If they co-exist, unacceptably fast  $p$  decay



## Choices:

**X** R-parity (*SM: +1 , SUSY: -1*)

*Kills all terms with  $\Delta L, \Delta B$*

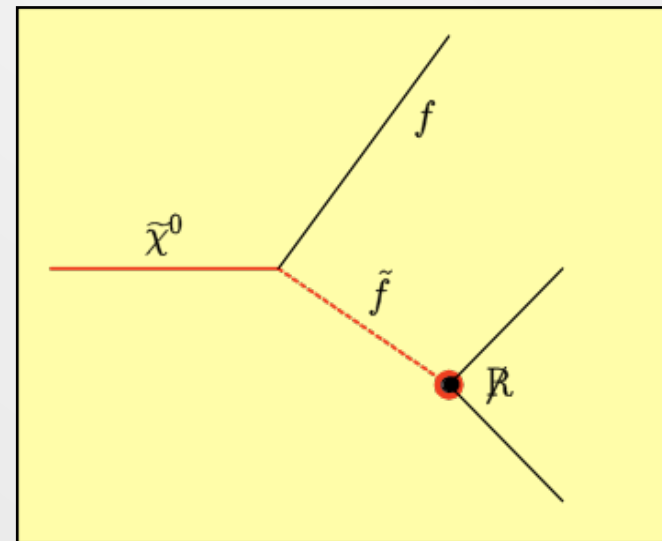
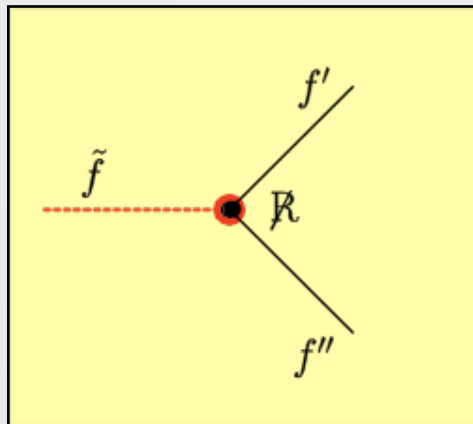
*Stable LSP, possibly dark matter*

*Collider Signal: Missing Energy*

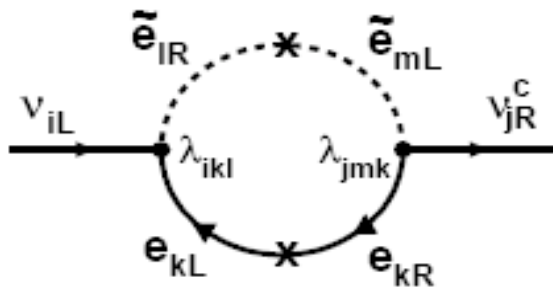
**✓** Symmetries i.e. Permitting only  $\Delta L$  **or**  $\Delta B$

*LSP: Unstable (do we lose SUSY Dark Matter?)*

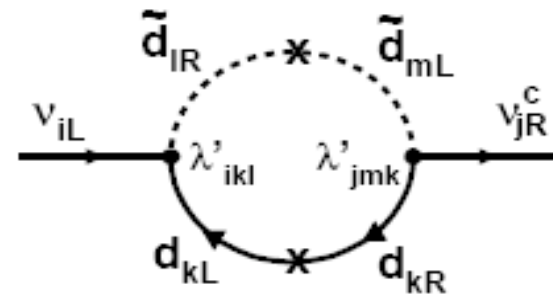
*Colliders: Multi-lepton and/or Multi-jet events*



# Neutrino Masses in R-violation



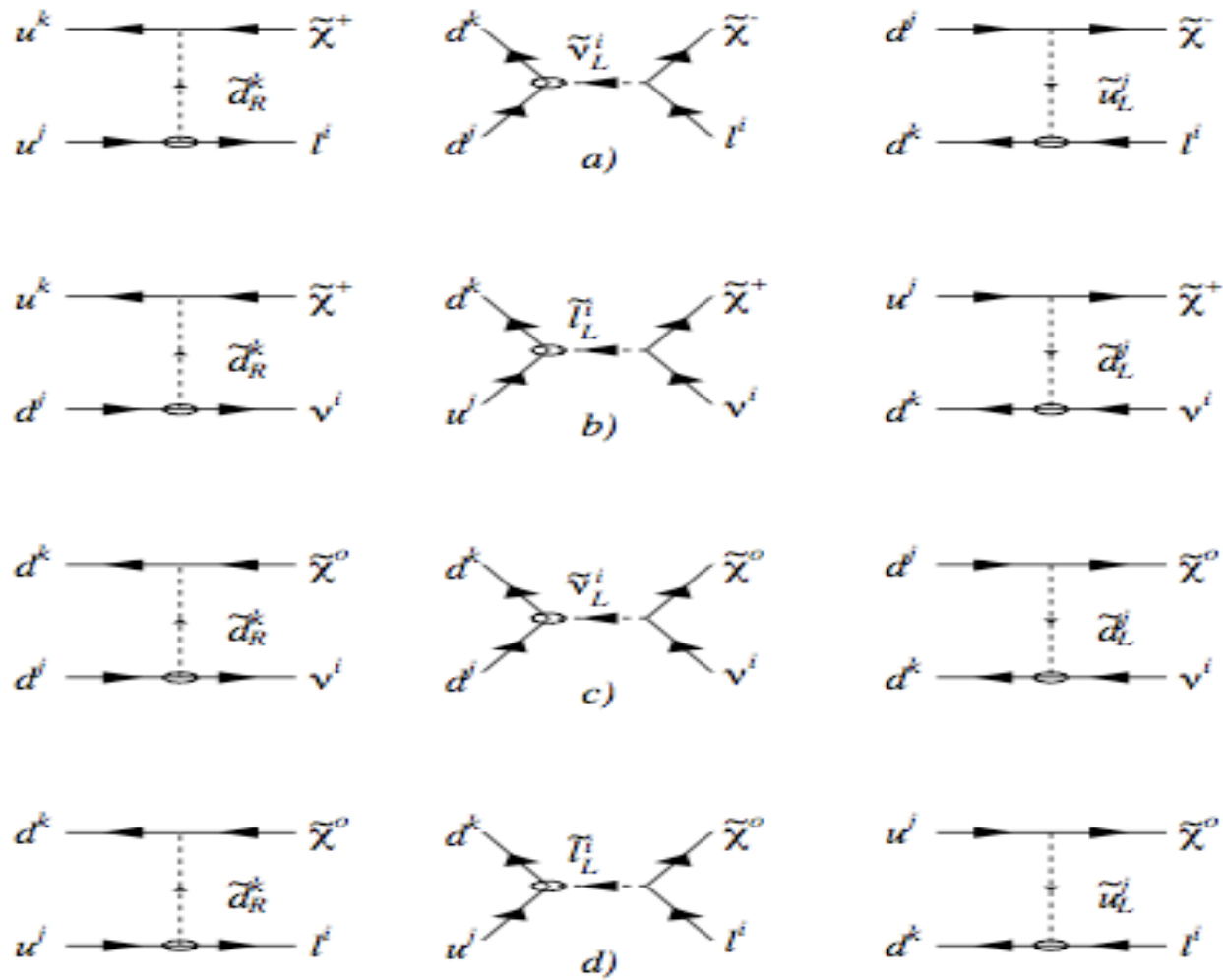
(a)



(b)

$$M_{ij}^\nu|_\lambda = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \sum_{k,l,m} \lambda_{ikl} \lambda_{jmk} m_{e_k} \frac{(\tilde{m}_{LR}^{e2})_{ml}}{m_{\tilde{e}_{Rl}}^2 - m_{\tilde{e}_{Lm}}^2} \ln \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{e}_{Rl}}^2}{m_{\tilde{e}_{Lm}}^2} \right) + (i \leftrightarrow j)$$

$$M_{ij}^\nu|_{\lambda'} = \frac{3}{16\pi^2} \sum_{k,l,m} \lambda'_{ikl} \lambda'_{jmk} m_{d_k} \frac{(\tilde{m}_{LR}^{d2})_{ml}}{m_{\tilde{d}_{Rl}}^2 - m_{\tilde{d}_{Lm}}^2} \ln \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{d}_{Rl}}^2}{m_{\tilde{d}_{Lm}}^2} \right) + (i \leftrightarrow j)$$



Results strongly depend on flavour-structure of operators

## LECTURE 1: SUMMARY

- **Neutrino data provides the first experimental indication for physics BSM and for  $\Delta L$  & LFV**
- **Link of neutrino textures to other fermion masses has significant implications for flavour structure of underlying theory and for model building**
- **This flavour structure may be visible through concrete processes in colliders (minimal schemes & beyond, TO BE DISCUSSED...)**
- **Additional motivation/constraints if one believes in leptogenesis (& SUSY Dark Matter, TO BE DISCUSSED...)**