

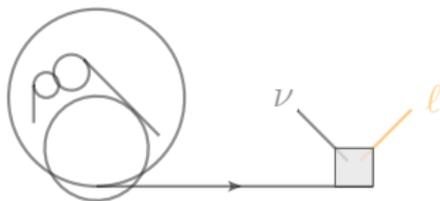
LVN and LFV @ FCC and HL-LHC (without ν_R)

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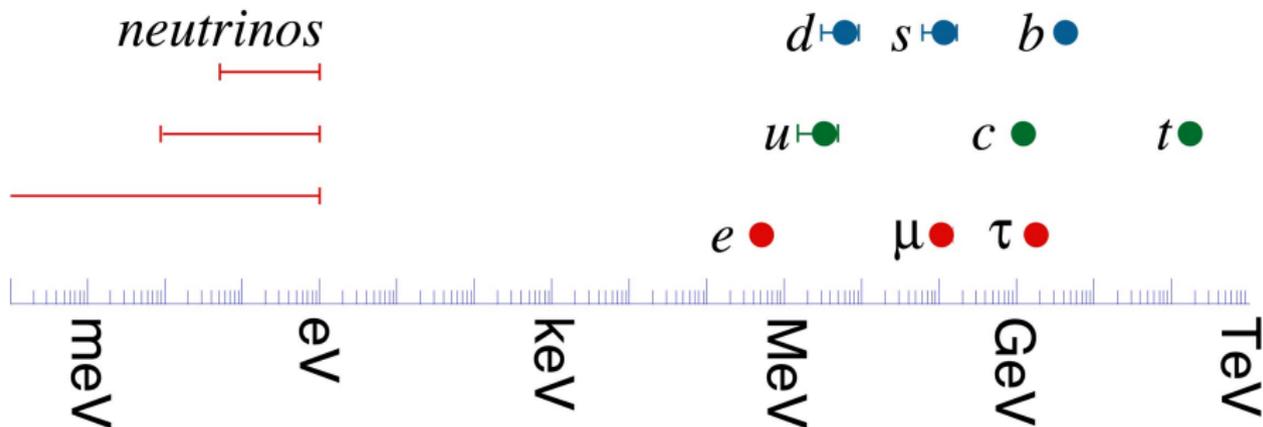


this talk:

- summary of HL-LHC + FCC sensitivity to ν mass models 😊
 - scenarios without ν_R (see talks by S. King, T. Schwetz-Mangold, M. Mitra, & A. Titov!)
- many numbers already available from previous ESU/Snowmass 😊
 - broad review on LNV@Colliders (Front.'17) [[1711.02180](#)]
 - review for (pseudo)Dirac and Majorana N (JHEP'18) [[1812.08750](#)]
 - lots of newer works by the community
- 20' too little time for everything 😞

the big picture

Problem: according to the SM, $m_\nu = 0$. (too few ingredients but data obviously disagree!)



Discovery of neutrino masses 🍌 \implies **several open questions:**

- ν have mass. **What is generating m_ν ?**
- ν masses are *tiny*. **What sets the scale of m_ν ?**
- m_ν are nearly degenerate. **What sets the pattern of m_ν ?**
- ν carry no QCD/QED charge. **Are $\nu, \bar{\nu}$ the same (Majorana)?**

guidance from theory

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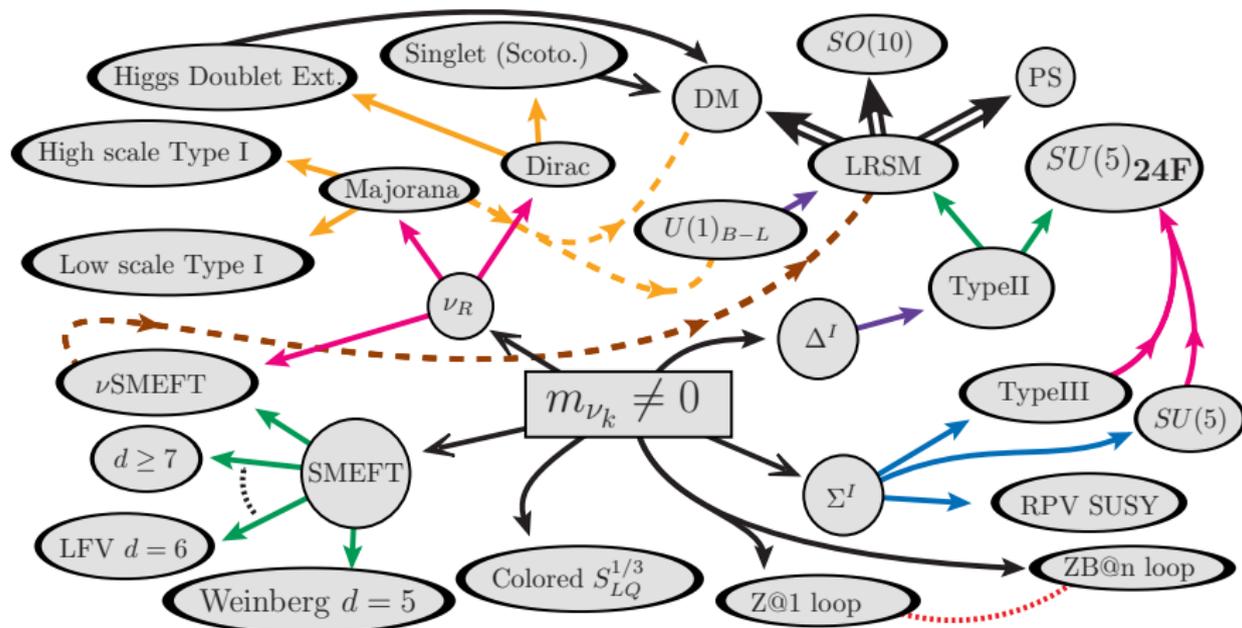
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$m_\nu \neq 0$ + **renormalizability** + **gauge inv.** \implies **new particles**

New particles must couple to Φ_{SM} and L , often inducing non-conservation of **lepton number** and/or **lepton flavor**

Theory solution to $m_\nu \neq 0$ can be realized in *many* ways!

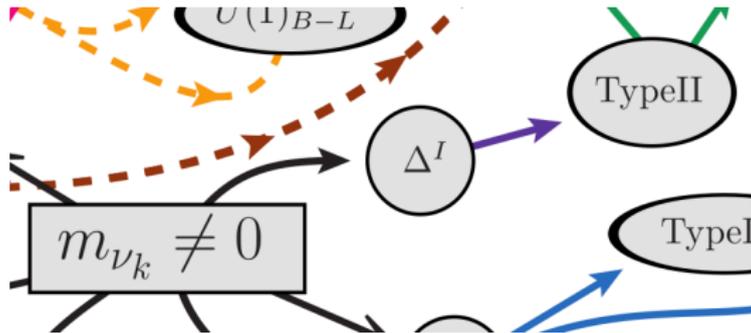
Minkowski ('77); Yanagida ('79); Glashow & Levy ('80); Gell-Mann et al., ('80); Mohapatra & Senjanović ('82); + *many* others



collider strategy: infer **Majorana nature**¹ or **mass mechanism** of ν
 from **LNV+LFV** with new particles

¹ **Black Box Theorem:** **LNV** \iff **Majorana** ν

Type II Seesaw²



²Konetschny and Kummer ('77); Schechter and Valle ('80); Cheng and Li ('80); Lazarides, et al ('81); Mohapatra and Senjanovic ('81)

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\implies **left-handed Majorana masses** for ν

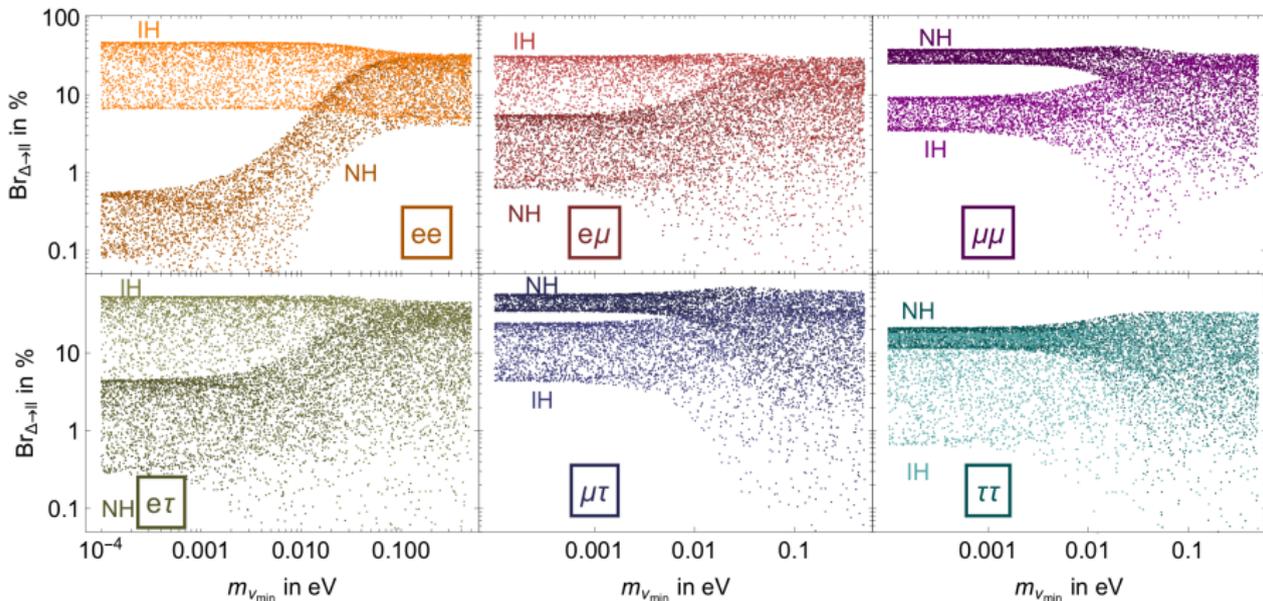
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\mathcal{L} &= -\frac{y_\Delta^{ij}}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{L^c} \hat{\Delta} L = -\frac{y_\Delta^{ij}}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\nu^{jc}} & \overline{\ell^{jc}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ v_\Delta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu^i \\ \ell^i \end{pmatrix} \\ &\ni -\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left(\sqrt{2} y_\Delta^{ij} v_\Delta \right)}_{=m_\nu^{ij}} \overline{\nu^{jc}} \nu^i \end{aligned}$$

Few free parameters \implies rich experimental predictions

Fileviez Perez, Han, Li, et al, [0805.3536], Crivellin, et al [1807.10224], Fuks, Nemevšek, RR [1912.08975] + others

- **Example:** Δ decay rates encode **inverse (IH)** vs **normal (NH)** ordering of light neutrino masses

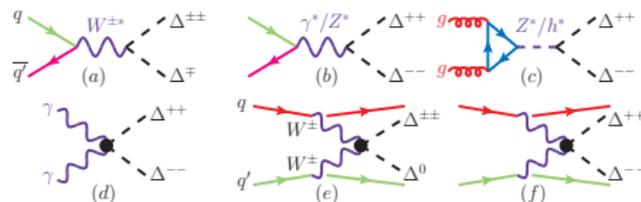
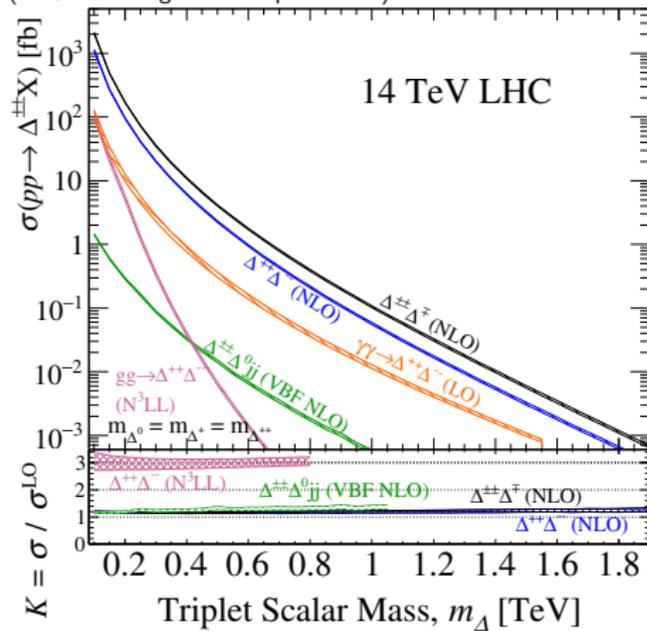
$$\Gamma(\Delta^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow \ell_i^{\pm} \ell_j^{\pm}) \sim y_{\Delta}^{ij} \sim (U_{\text{PMNS}}^* \tilde{m}_{\nu}^{\text{diag}} U_{\text{PMNS}}^{\dagger})_{ij}$$



Type II@HL-LHC

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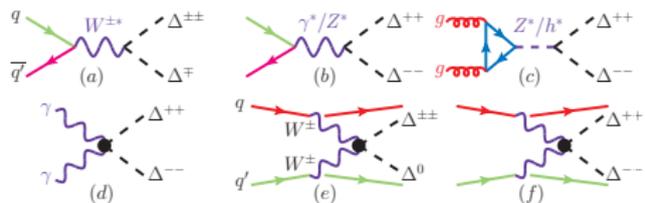
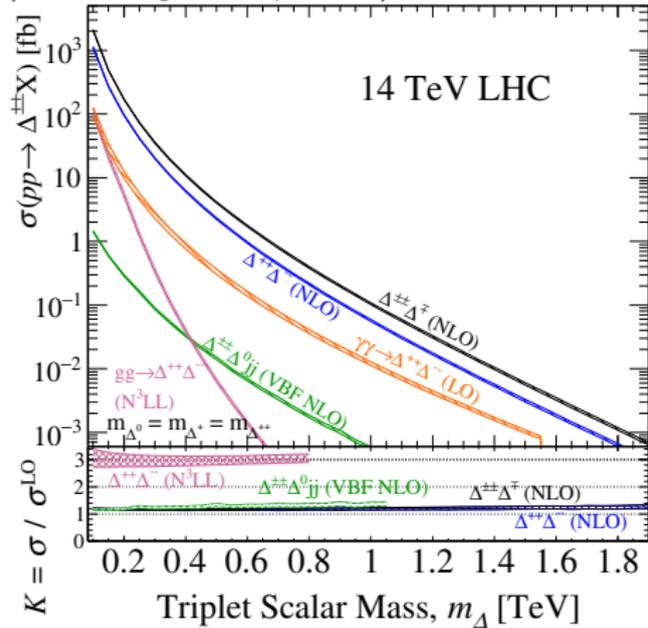


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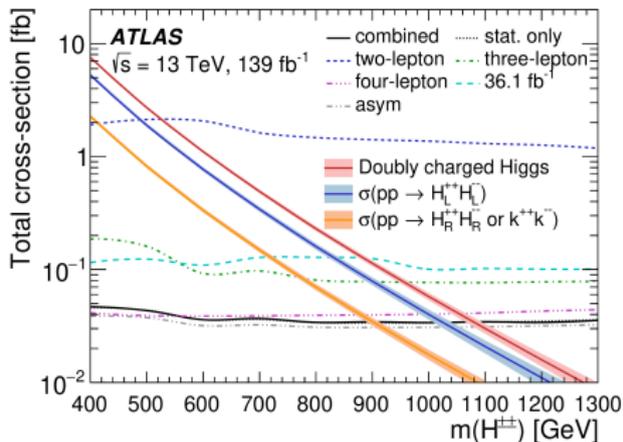
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$$pp \rightarrow \Delta^{++}\Delta^{--} \rightarrow 4\ell^{\pm} + X$$

($\ell = e, \mu$) [2211.07505]

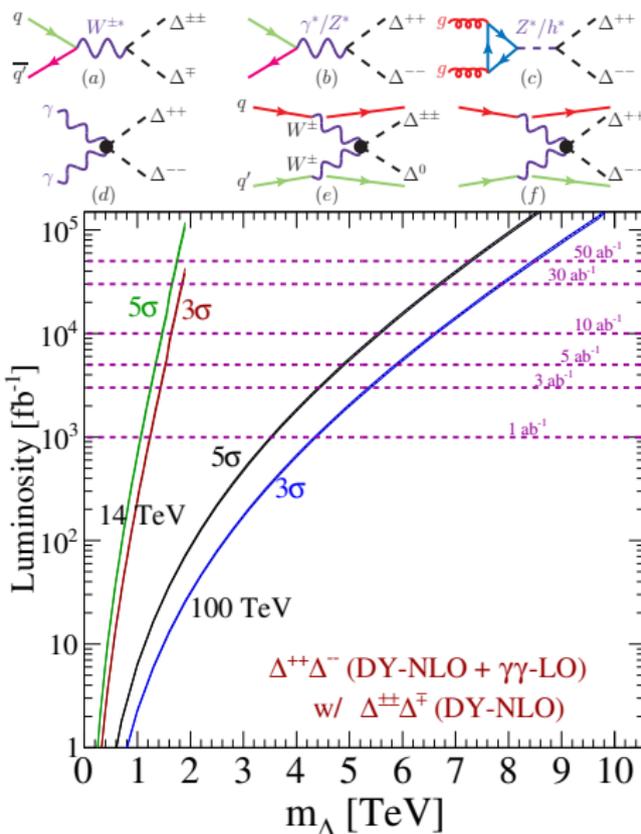
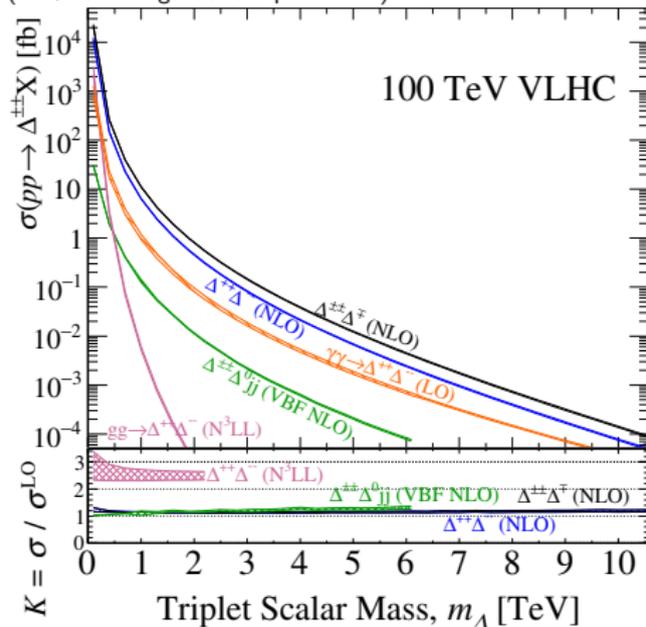


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Type II@FCC-hh

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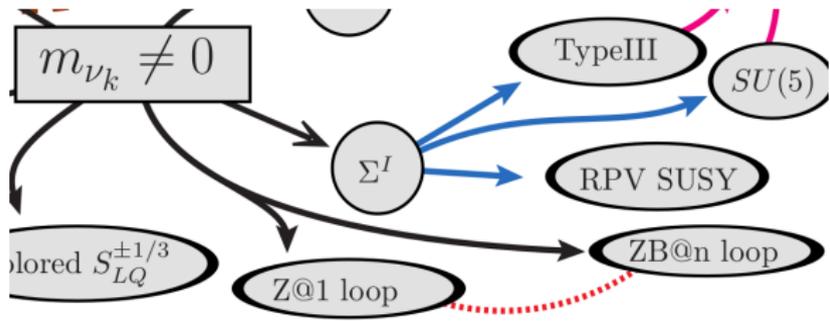
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What if $\Delta^{\pm\pm}$, Δ^{\pm} are discovered?

celebrate! 😊

charged scalars $H^{\pm\pm}$, H^\pm are not unique

Zee-Babu Model³



³Zee ('85×2), Babu ('88)

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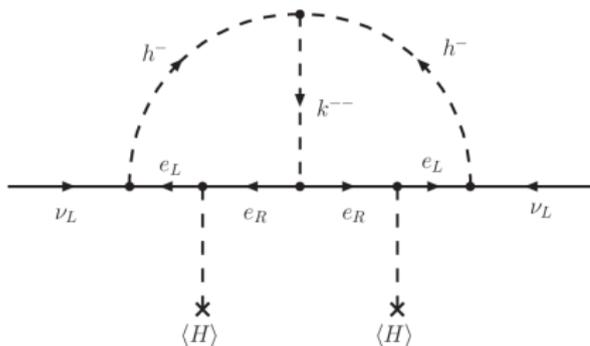
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$$\mathcal{L}_{ZB} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + (D_\mu k)^\dagger (D^\mu k) + (D_\mu h)^\dagger (D^\mu h) + (\mu_\psi h h k^\dagger + \text{H.c.}) \\ \left[f_{ij} \bar{L}^i L^j h^\dagger + g_{ij} \overline{(e_R^c)^i} e_R^j k^\dagger + \text{H.c.} \right] + \dots$$



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$$(\mathcal{M}_\nu^{\text{flavor}})_{ij} = 16 \mu_\psi f_{ia} m_a g_{ab}^* \mathcal{I}_{ab}(r) m_b f_{jb}.$$

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Nebot, et al [0711.0483]; Ohlsson, Schwetz, Zhang [0909.0455]; Herrero-Garcia, Nebot, Rius, et al [1402.4491]; + others

- E.g., $k^{\pm\pm}$, h^\pm couplings to leptons encode oscillation physics

Normal ordering:

$$\frac{f_{e\tau}}{f_{\mu\tau}} = \tan\theta_{12} \frac{\cos\theta_{23}}{\cos\theta_{13}} + \tan\theta_{13} \sin\theta_{23} e^{-i\delta}$$

$$\frac{f_{e\mu}}{f_{\mu\tau}} = \tan\theta_{12} \frac{\cos\theta_{23}}{\cos\theta_{13}} - \tan\theta_{13} \sin\theta_{23} e^{-i\delta}$$

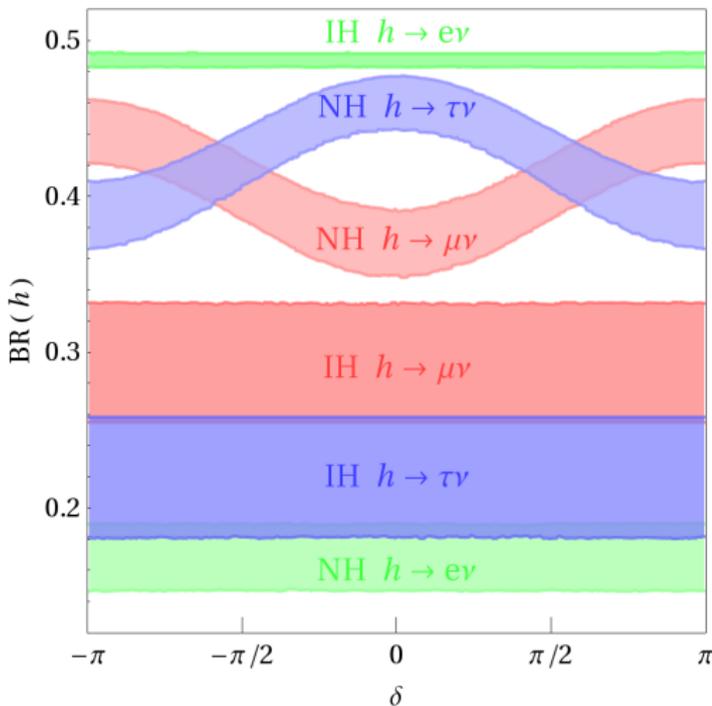
Inverse ordering:

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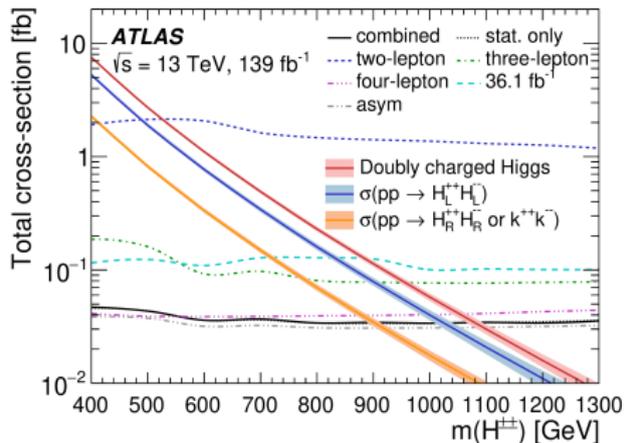
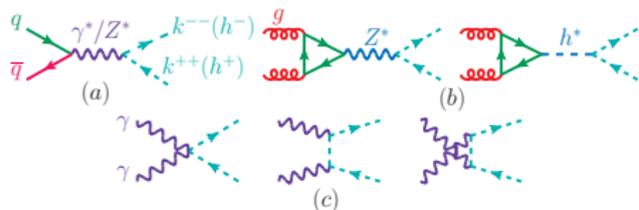
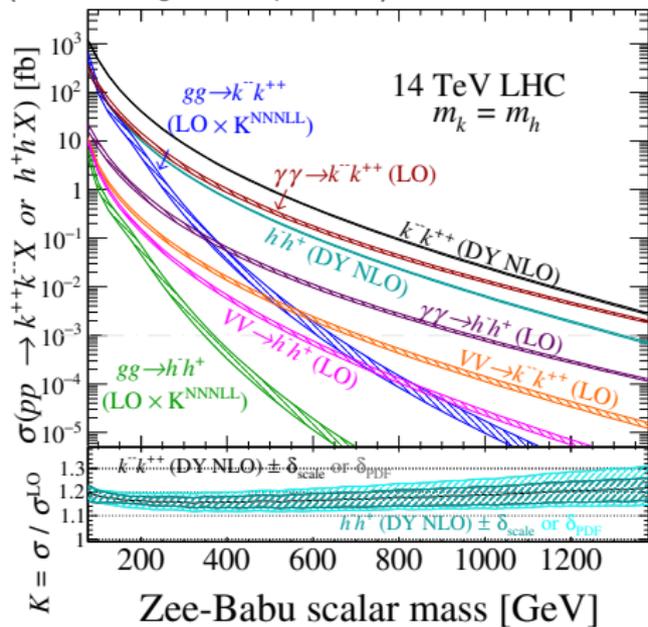
$$\frac{f_{e\tau}}{f_{e\mu}} = -\tan\theta_{23}.$$

NH & IH, $\sin^2(\theta_{23}) < 0.5$



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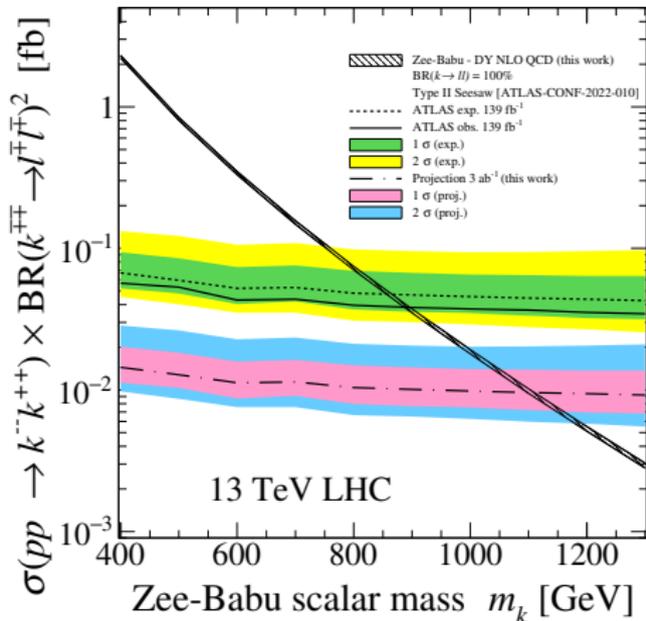
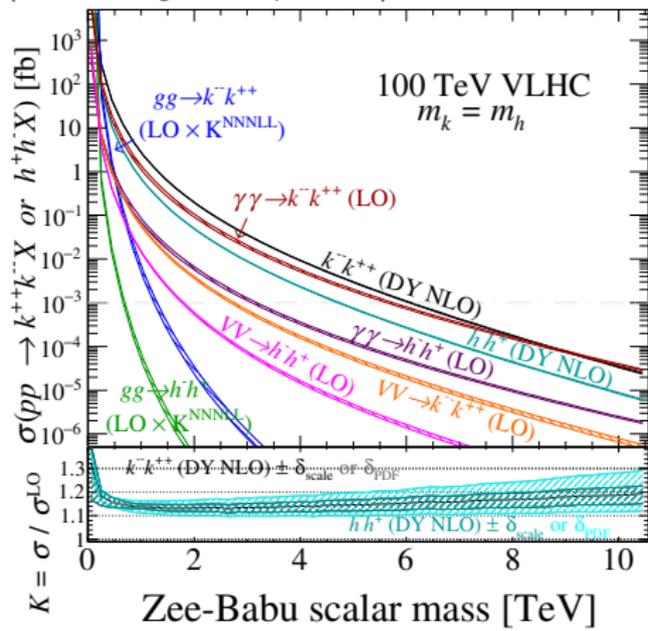
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HL-LHC: up to $m_k \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ with
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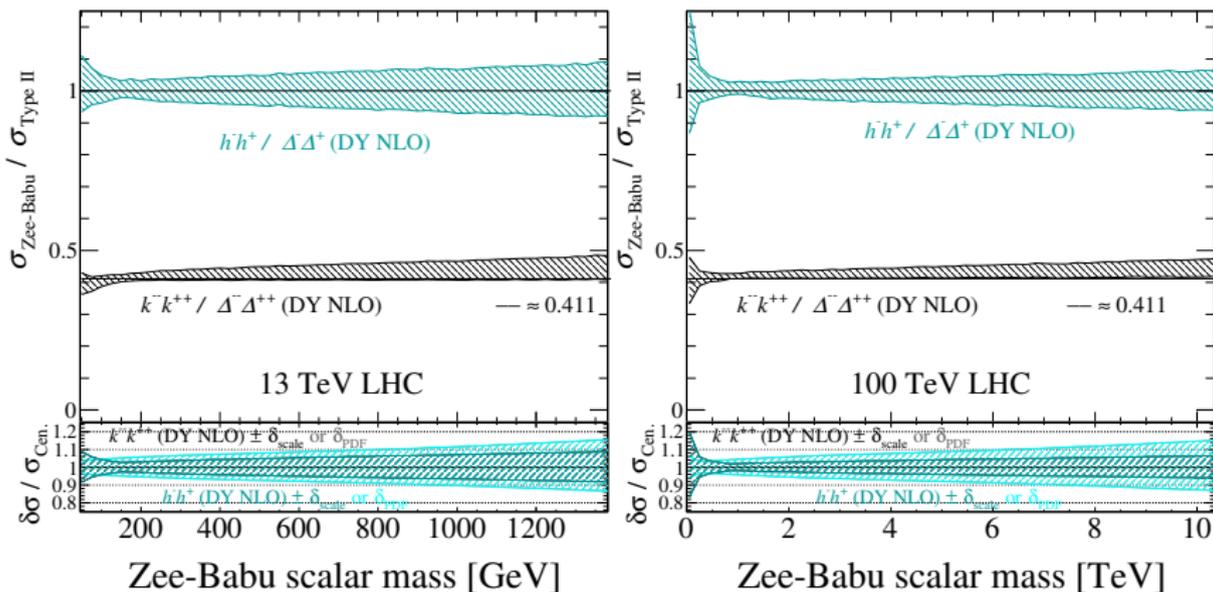


FCC-hh: up to $m_k \sim 4 - 5$ TeV with $\mathcal{L} = 10 - 50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 100 \text{ TeV}$

What if $k^{\pm\pm}$, h^{\pm} are discovered?

Usual argument: Different gauge quantum numbers \implies different σ

- In principle, this is a good argument
- ... but difference ($1\times$ or $2\times$) can be absorbed by BR (via **LNV coupling**)



silver lining

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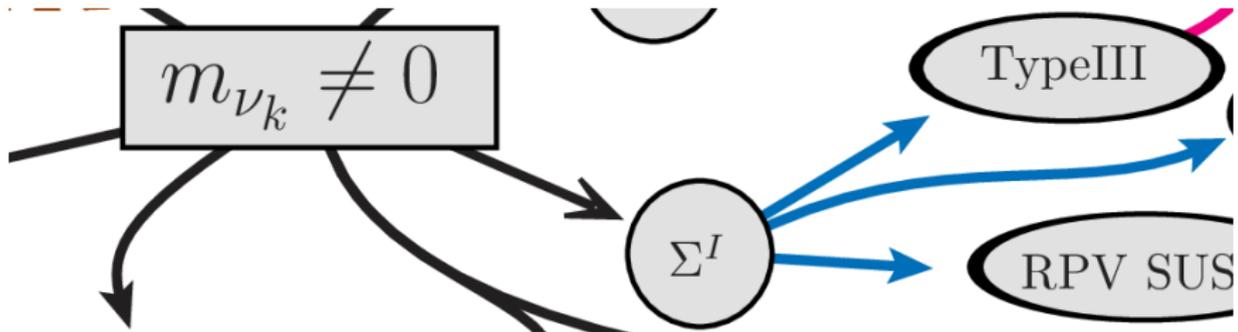
(equivalent to measuring cross section ratio!)

Using NuFit(v5.1)

$$\mathcal{R}_{e\mu}^h \Big|_{\text{NO}} \approx 0.313 \text{ (+smallish unc.)}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{e\mu}^h \Big|_{\text{IO}} \approx 0.715 \text{ (+smallish unc.)}$$

Type III Seesaw⁴

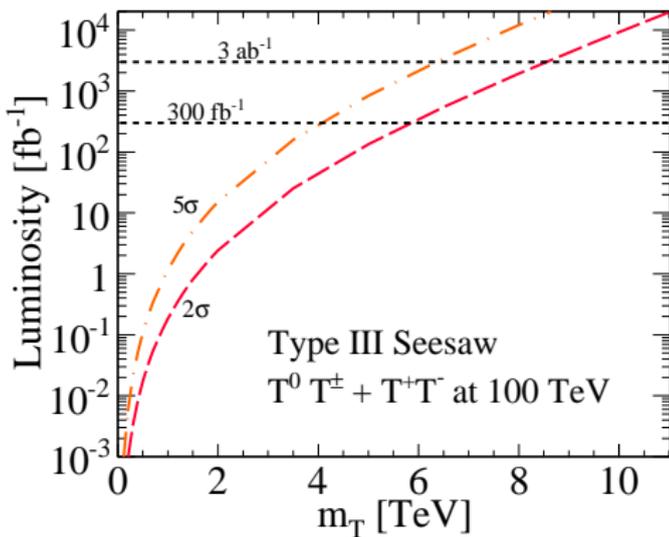
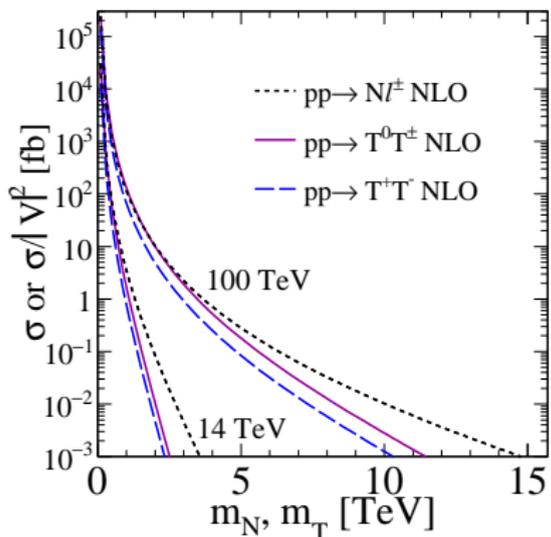


⁴Foot, et al ('89)

Type III Seesaw postulates $SU(2)_L$ lepton triplet (T^+, N^0, T^-)

lots of rich physics Bajc, Senjanovic [[hep-ph/0612029](#)]; PF Perez [[hep-ph/0702287](#)]; Abada, et al [[0707.4058](#), [0803.0481](#)]; +++

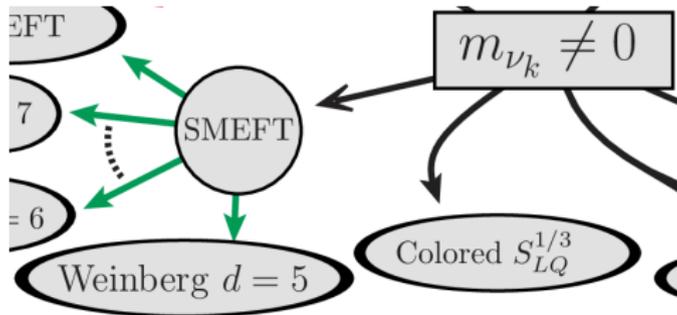
- heavy electron and heavy neutrino carry weak isospin charges
- \implies couples to $W/Z/\gamma$ via gauge charges
- typical decay modes $T^\pm, N \rightarrow \ell^\pm/\nu + V$



w/ Cai, Han, Li [[1711.02180](#)]



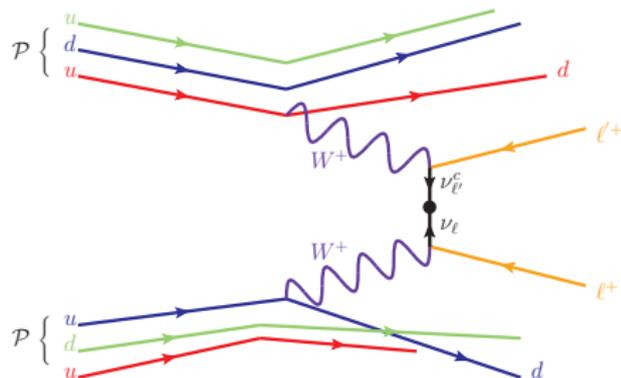
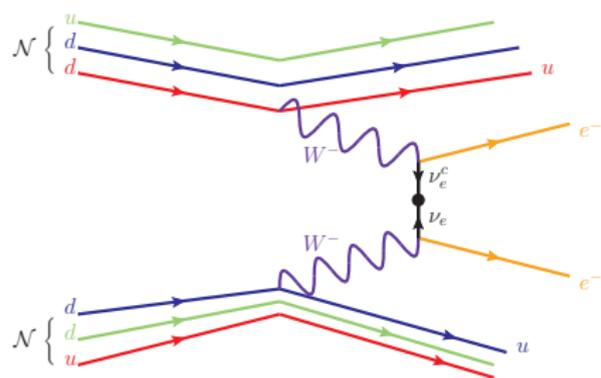
Weinberg Operator⁵



⁵Weinberg ('79); w/ Fuks, et al PRD('21)[2012.09882]

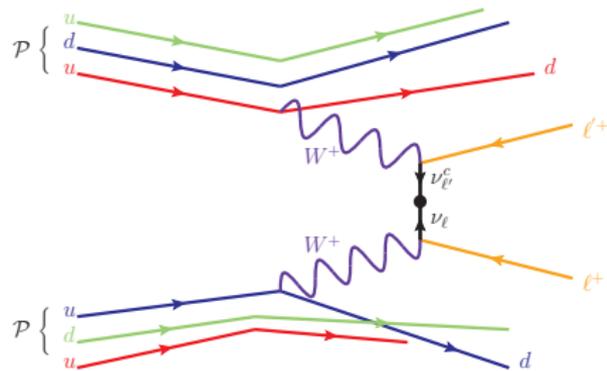
Weinberg operator at the LHC

In many ways $W^\pm W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \ell^\pm$ is the high-energy realization of $0\nu\beta\beta$



First constraints of Weinberg operator ever for $\mu\mu$ [2206.08956; 2305.14931] and $e\mu$ [2403.15016] (**new!**), and outside nuclear environment for ee [2403.15016] (**new!**)

$$\Lambda/|C_{\ell\ell'}| \gtrsim 2.5 - 5.6 \text{ TeV} \iff |m_{\ell\ell'}| \lesssim 11 - 24 \text{ GeV for } ee, e\mu, \mu\mu$$



The helicity amplitude for the $0\nu\beta\beta$ process $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow \ell_1^+ \ell_2^+ \bar{f} f'$ is

$$\mathcal{M}_{LNV} = J_{f_1 f_1'}^\mu J_{f_2 f_2'}^\nu \Delta_{\mu\alpha}^W \Delta_{\nu\beta}^W \underbrace{T_{LNV}^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{D}(p_\nu)}_{\text{lepton current}}$$

Difficult to simulate since **Weinberg op.** modifies propagator of ν_ℓ

modern Monte Carlo tools work in mass basis and do not like the idea of modifying $\langle 0 | \bar{\nu}_{\ell'} \nu_\ell | 0 \rangle$

$$\begin{array}{c} \nu_\ell(p) \\ \longrightarrow \\ p \longrightarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \longleftarrow \\ \nu_{\ell'}^c(-p) \end{array} = \frac{i\not{p}'}{p'^2} \frac{-iC_5^{\ell\ell'} v^2}{\Lambda} \frac{i\not{p}'}{p'^2} = \frac{im_{\ell\ell'}}{p'^2}$$

Solution: Treat vertex as a particle! Invent **unphysical** Majorana fermion with (small) mass $m_{\ell\ell}$ that couples to **all lepton flavors**

recovers right behavior!

$$T_{LNV}^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{D}(p_\nu) \propto \gamma^\alpha P_L \frac{i(\not{p} + m_{\ell\ell'})}{p^2 - m_{\ell\ell'}^2} \gamma^\beta P_R = \gamma^\alpha P_L \frac{im_{\ell\ell'}}{p^2} P_L \gamma^\beta \times \left[1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\left|\frac{m_{\ell\ell'}^2}{p^2}\right|\right) \right]$$

Plotted: Normalized production rate ($C_5 = 1$) vs scale (Λ)

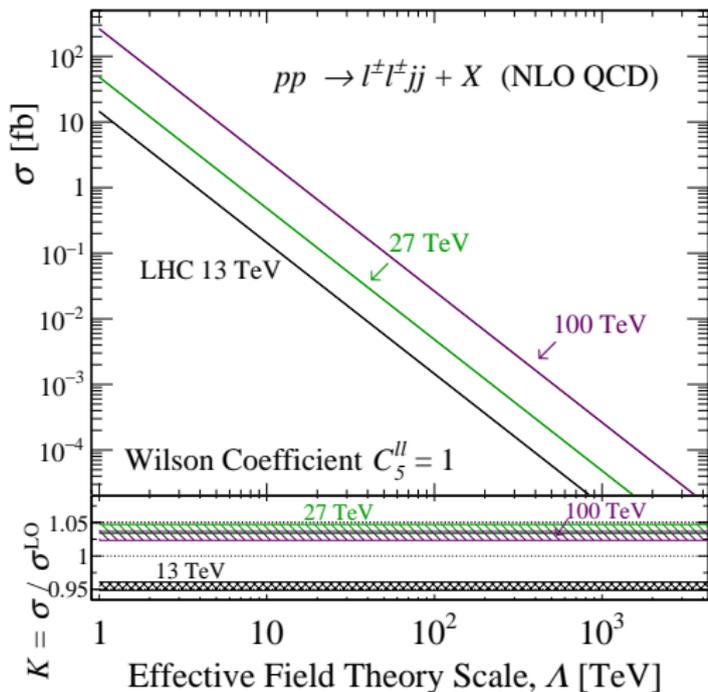
w/ Fuks, Saimpert, et al (PRD'21) [2012.09882]

Full $2 \rightarrow 4$ calculation at NLO(+PS)
in QCD is more involved

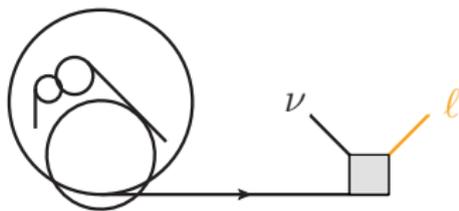
Used mg5amc + SMWeinberg UFO libraries

Driven by $W_0^+ W_0^+$ scattering

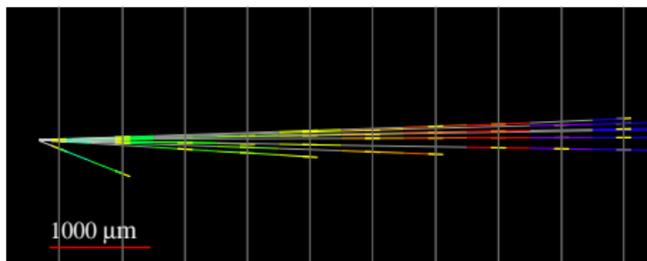
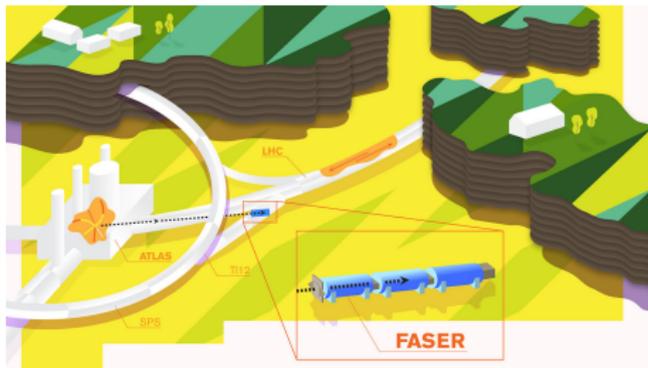
$$\hat{\sigma}(W_0^+ W_0^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^+) \sim \frac{|C_5^{\ell\ell}|^2}{18\pi\Lambda^2}$$



what is on the horizon?

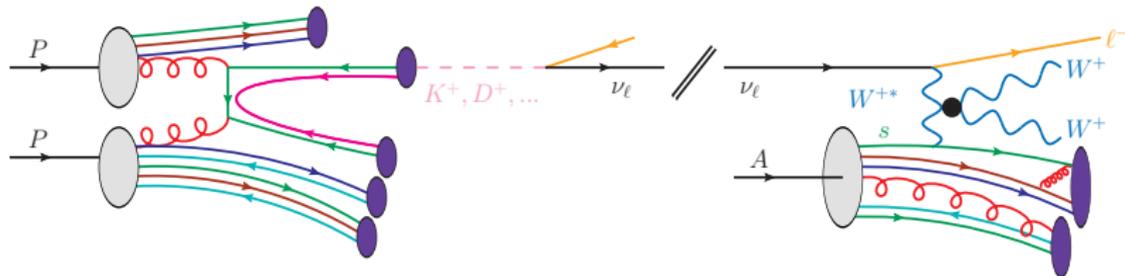


Over past few years, the LHC has been established as an intense (laboratory) source of TeV-scale neutrinos (ν) (a remarkable expt. achievement!)



Candidate LHC neutrino event from FASER's pilot run

New programs (FASER, SND@LHC) now collecting ν -nucleus scattering data



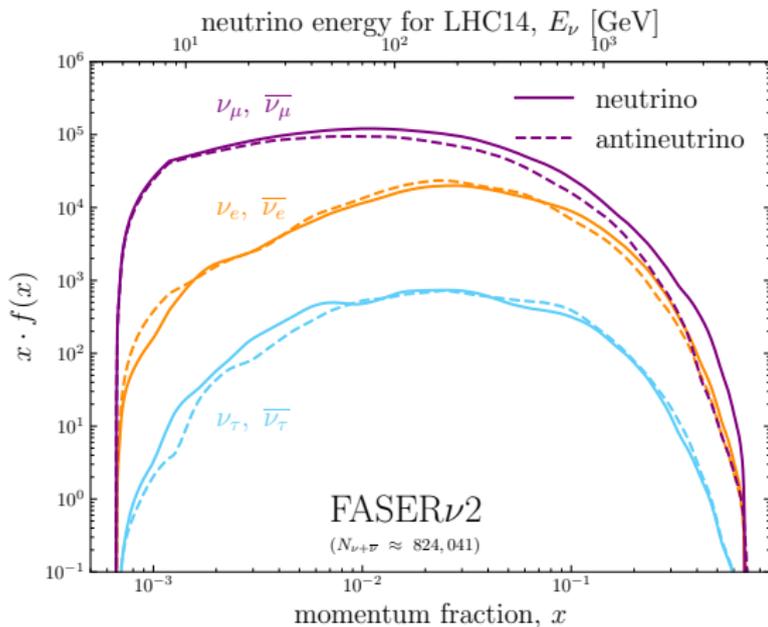
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Kling & Nevey (PRD'21)

ν fluxes can be normalized to be likelihood functions $f_\nu(x)$... ☺

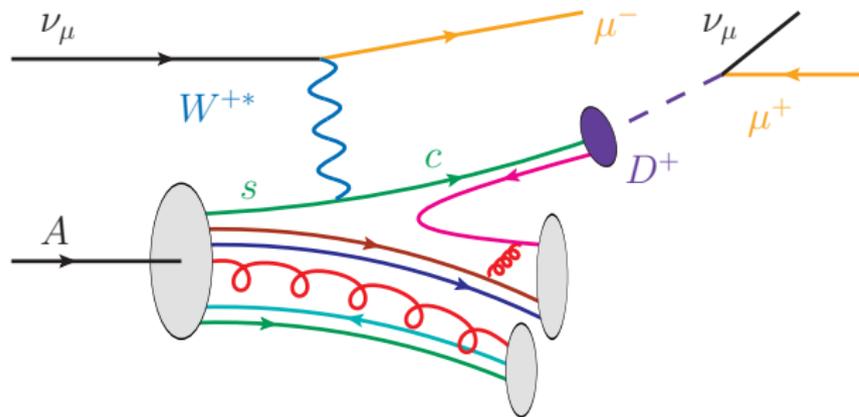
see, e.g., van Groenendijk, Krack, Rojo, et al [2407.09611]



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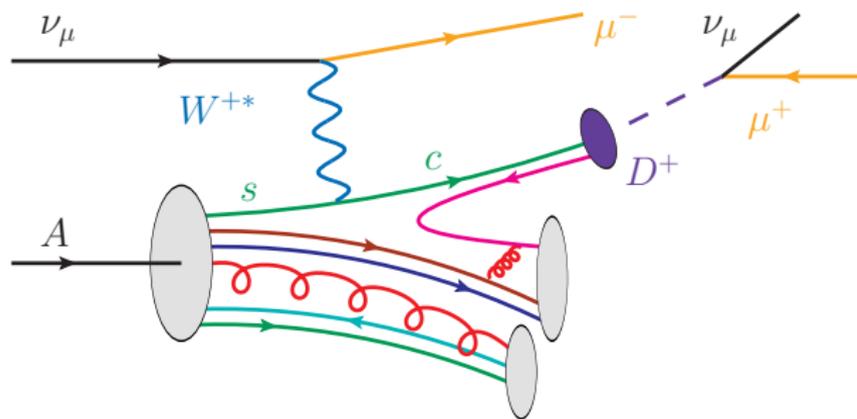
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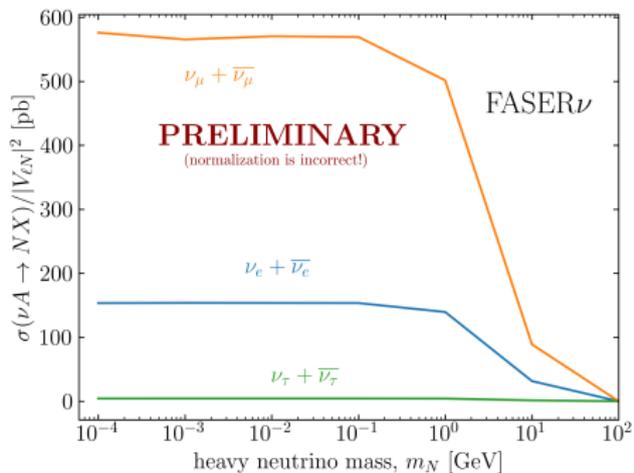
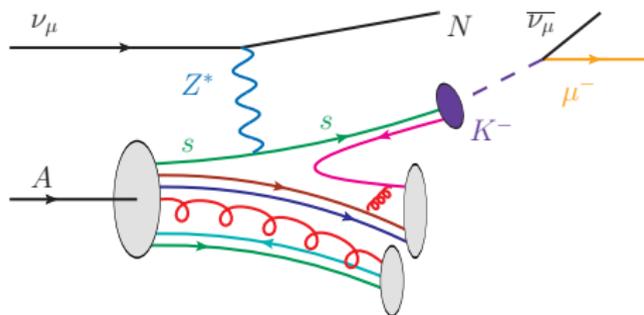
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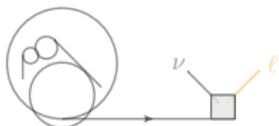
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... including BSM processes in mg5amc



thank you for your time!



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The Black Box Theorem

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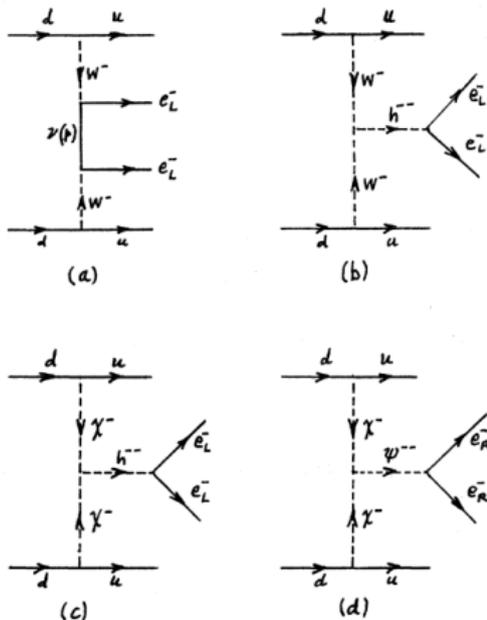


FIG. 1. Diagrams for neutrinoless double- β decay in an $SU(2) \times U(1)$ gauge theory. The standard diagram is Fig. 1(a). It is the only one which contains a virtual neutrino (of four-momentum p). d and u are the down and up quarks.

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- always possible to build a many-loop, 2-point graph with external ν_L, ν_L^c
- $0\nu\beta\beta$ generates a **Majorana mass** for ν
- holds generally for other $\Delta L \neq 0$ process

for further discussions, see:

Hirsch, et al [[hep-ph/0608207](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0608207)] and Pascoli, et al [[1712.07611](https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.07611)]

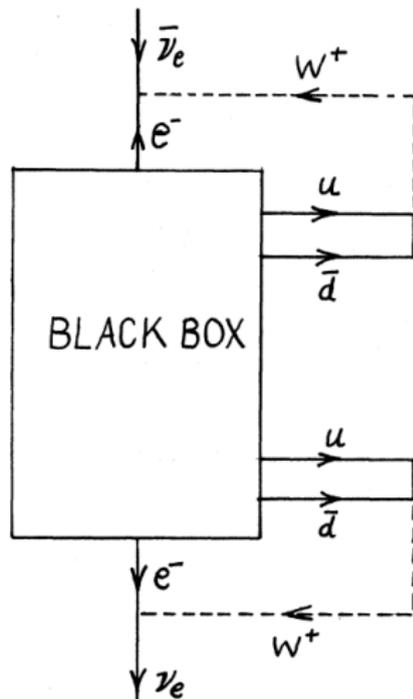
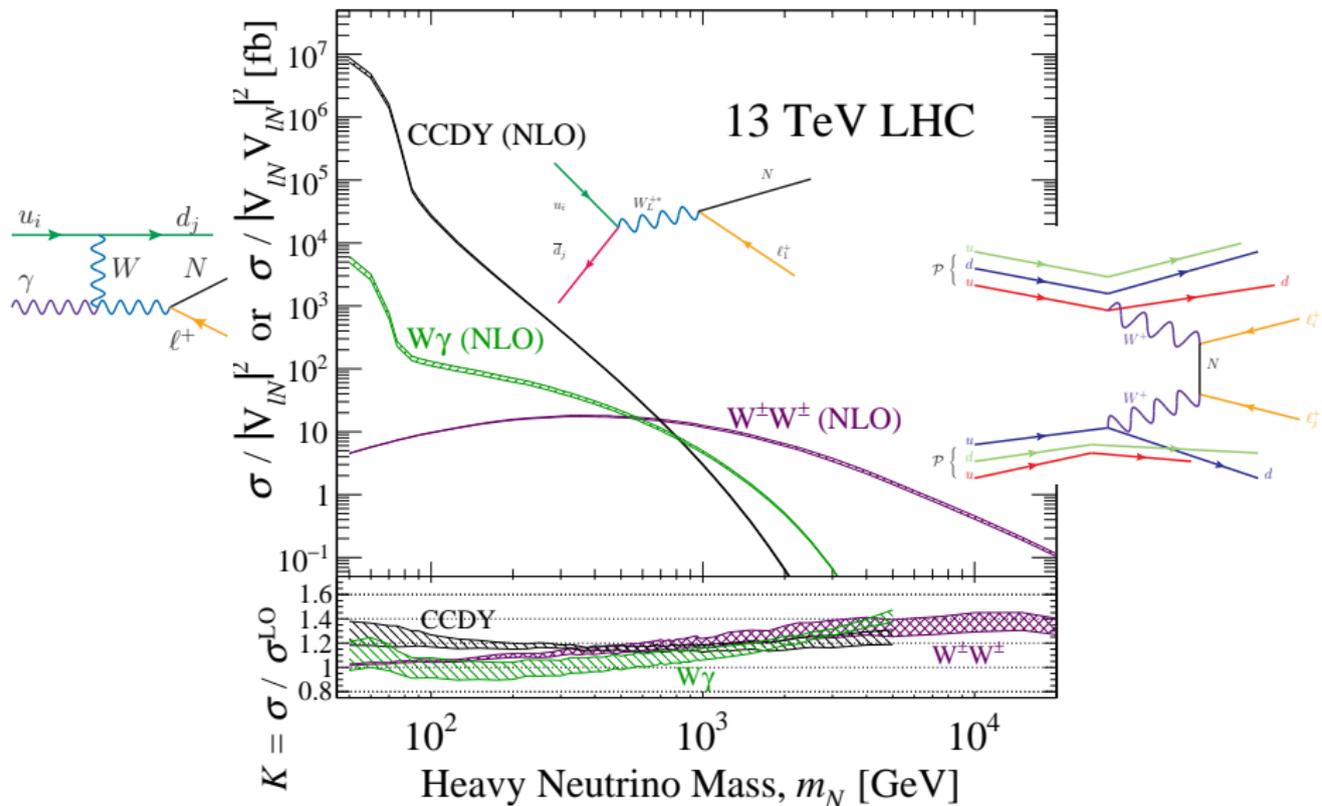


FIG. 2. Diagram showing how any neutrinoless double- β decay process induces a $\bar{\nu}_e$ -to- ν_e transition, that is, an effective Majorana mass term.

Plotted: Normalized production rate ($\sigma/|V|^2$ (4)) vs m_N



γW^\pm and $W^\pm W^\pm$ scattering drive high-mass scattering rates!

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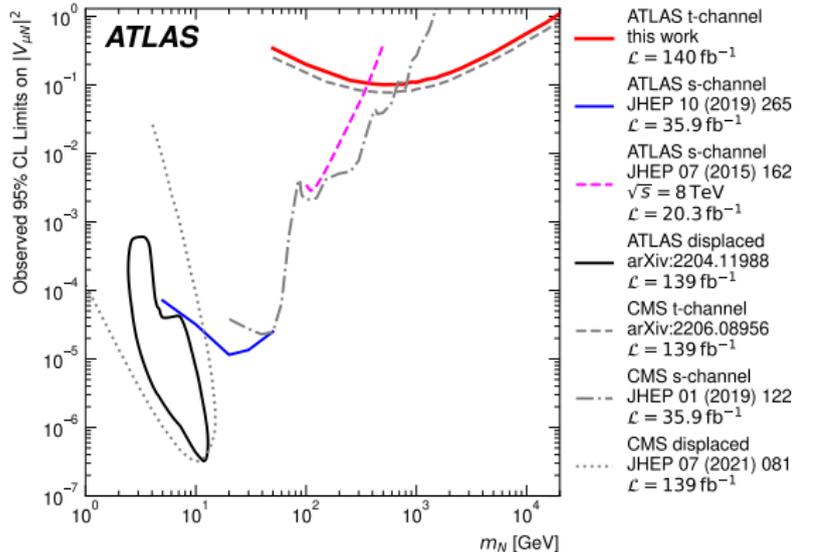
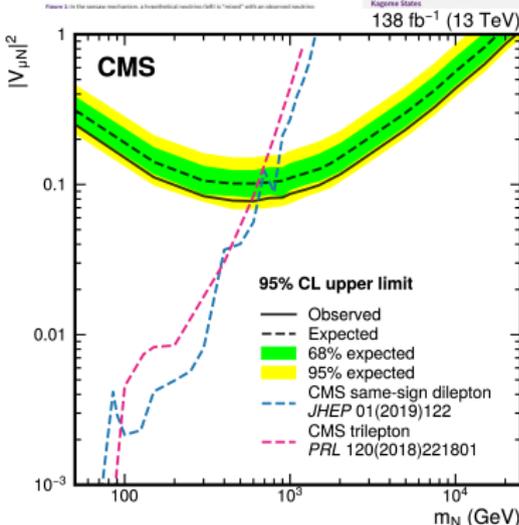
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