



Family Tree

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BORIS! THANK YOU FOR BEING AROUND!





Standard Model (an astonishing successful theory, based on few principles)



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v is a special particle in SM:

- It is the only fermion that does not carry electric charge (like γ , g, H⁰)
- There are only left-handed v's (v_{eL} , $v_{\mu L}$, $v_{\tau L}$)
- v-mass can not be generated with any renormalizable coupling with the Higgs fields through SSB





Majorana fermions

Ettore Majorana

Teoria simmetrica dell'elettrone e del positrone (*A symmetric theory of electrons and positrons*). Il Nuovo Cimento, 14: 171–184, 1937.) 171

v is its own antiparticle



Bruno Pontecorvo Inverse beta processes and nonconservation of lepton charge Zhur. Eksptl'. i Teoret. Fiz. 34, 247 (1958)

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Steve Weinberg v-mass generation via d=5 eff. oper. related to unknown high energy scale (GUT?) It follows from the above assumptions that in vacuum a neutrino can be transformed into an antineutrino and vice versa. This means that the neutrino and antineutrino are "mixed" particles, i.e., a symmetric and antisymmetric combination of two truly neutral Majorana particles ν_1 and ν_2 of different combined parity.⁵

 $v \leftrightarrow anti-v \text{ oscillation}$

thought massless back in 1979. Weinberg does not take credit for predicting neutrino masses, but he thinks it's the right interpretation. What's more, he says, the non-renormalisable interaction that produces the neutrino masses is probably also accompanied with non-renormalisable interactions that produce proton decay and other things that haven't been observed, such as violation of baryon-number conservations. "We don't know anything about the details of those terms, but I'll swear they are there." Nuclear double-β decay (even-even nuclei, pairing int.)





Phys. Rev. 48, 512 (1935)

Two-neutrino double-\beta decay – LN conserved (A,Z) \rightarrow (A,Z+2) + e⁻ + e⁻ + v_e + v_e Goepert-Mayer – 1935. 1st observation in 1987



Nuovo Cim. 14, 322 (1937)Phys. Rev. 56, 1184 (1939)Neutrinoless double- β decay – LN violated22(A,Z) \rightarrow (A,Z+2) + e⁻ + e⁻ (Furry 1937)Not observed yet. Requires massive Majorana v's





Effective Majorana ν-mass m_{ββ} (prediction due ν-oscillations)

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Constraint from cosmology}\\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma} &= \textbf{m}_1 + \textbf{m}_2 + \textbf{m}_3\\ &< \textbf{0.90 eV}\\ &< \textbf{0.26 eV (Planck coll.)}\\ &< \textbf{0.12 eV} \end{array}$

Contrary, the constraint from $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay (KLZ) $m_{\beta\beta} < 0.036\text{-}0.156 \text{ eV}$ implies $\Sigma < 0.12 \text{ eV}$



	[Current CANDLES detecto	r]				
0 ν ββ decay isotopes and experiments			CANDLE CaF scintillating crystal		SuperNEMO Se source foil GERDA, MAJO Ge crystal	RANA
Candidates	Q _{ββ} (MeV)	N.A. (%)	CUPID-0			
⁴⁸ Ca→ ⁴⁸ Ti	4.268	0.187	ZnSe scintillating			
⁷⁶ Ge→ ⁷⁶ Se	2.039	7.8	crystal			
⁸² Se→ ⁸² Kr	2.998	8.8	m= 305 g m= 281			
⁹⁶ Zr→ ⁹⁶ Mo	3.356	2.8	=31,052 H=50+702			
¹⁰⁰ Mo→ ¹⁰⁰ Ru	3.034	9.7	CG-01 cat lun : 0.4 mm		2	
110 Pd \rightarrow 110 Cd	2.017	11.7	Aurora			EEE
$^{116}Cd \rightarrow ^{116}Sn$	2.813	7.5		TeO	ORE 2 crystal	
$^{124}Sn \rightarrow ^{124}Te$	2.293	5.8				Amore
$^{130}\text{Te}{\rightarrow}^{130}\text{Xe}$	2.528	34.1			Ava Com	CaMoO ₄ crystal
¹³⁶ Xe→ ¹³⁶ Ba	2.458	8.9	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9			
$^{150}Nd \rightarrow ^{150}Sm$	3.371	5.6	EXO, KamI Liquid Xe	LAND-Zen		

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Leading limits in each $\theta \nu\beta\beta$ isotope

A monoenergetic peak at the Q-value is searched for. Need a large amount of decay isotope and low radioactive environment

Experiment	Isotope	Exposure [kg yr]	T ⁰ v _{1/2} [10 ²⁵ yr]	m _{ββ} [meV]
Gerda	⁷⁶ Ge	127.2	18	79-180
Majorana	⁷⁶ Ge	26	2.7	200-433
CUPID-0	⁸² Se	5.29	0.47	276-570
NEMO3	¹⁰⁰ Mo	34.3	0.15	620-1000
CUPID-Mo	¹⁰⁰ Mo	2.71	0.18	280-490
Amore	¹⁰⁰ Mo	111	0.095	1200-2100
CUORE	¹³⁰ Te	1038.4	2.2	90-305
EXO-200	¹³⁶ Xe	234.1	3.5	93-286
KamLAND-Zen	¹³⁶ Xe	970	23	36-156

KamLAND-Zen1 ton-class ¹³⁶Xe 0vββ experimentreaching IH region

KamLAND-Zen 400 and KamLAND-Zen 800 combined resultsLimit: $T^{0v}_{1/2} > 2.3 \times 10^{26}$ year (90%C.L.), $m_{\beta\beta} < 36-156$ meV $(g_A=1.27, NME = 1.11-4.77$ are assumed)Currently, the most strict $0\nu\beta\beta$ limit



Large volume liquid scintillator detector LS: 30.5 m³, ¹³⁶Xe: 677 kg

nEXO 5 ton-class ¹³⁶Xe 0νββ experiment

EXO-200, 1^{st} 100 kg-class $0\nu\beta\beta$ -experiment, excellent background-essential for nEXO design, Sensitivity increased linearly with exposure.

nEXO, discovery $0\nu\beta\beta$ experiment, reaches sensitivity of 10^{28} yr in 6.5 yr data taking, probes $m_{\beta\beta}$ down to 15 meV, scalable experiment.







Around 1637, Pierre de Fermat wrote in the margin of a book that the more general equation $a^n + b^n = c^n$ had no solutions in positive integers if *n* is an integer greater than 2.

After 358 years

termat's equation: $X^{n} + y^{n} = Z^{n}$ This equation has no solutions in integers for $n \ge 3$.

The proof was published by Andrew Wiles in 1995.



Ονββ governed by exotic mechanisms



Any $0\nu\beta\beta$ mech. generates a small correction to ν -mass



Light v-mass mechanism can be strongly suppressed: $m_{\beta\beta} < 1 \text{ meV}$

- It is not possible to discover $0\nu\beta\beta$ with 10-100 ton-class experiment
- It should be a subject of theory to justify it
- There might be a dominance of other $0\nu\beta\beta$ mechanisms





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 $\mathcal{O}_2 \propto LLLe^c H$ $\mathcal{O}_3 \propto LLQd^c H$ $\mathcal{O}_4 \propto L L \bar{Q} \bar{u}^c H$ $\mathcal{O}_8 \propto L \bar{e}^c \bar{u}^c d^c H$

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Babu, Leung: 2001 de Gouvea, Jenkins: 2007

short range: d=9 (d=11)



 $\mathcal{O}_5 \propto LLQd^c HHH^{\dagger}$ $\mathcal{O}_6 \propto L L \bar{Q} \bar{u}^c H H^\dagger H$ $\mathcal{O}_7 \propto L Q \bar{e}^c \bar{Q} H H H^\dagger$ $\mathcal{O}_9 \propto LLLe^cLe^c$ $\mathcal{O}_{10} \propto LLLe^c Qd^c$ $\mathcal{O}_{11} \propto LLQd^cQd^c$

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Quark Condensate Seesaw Mechanism for Neutrino Mass

PRD 103, 015007 (2021).

The SM gauge-invariant effective operators

$$\mathcal{O}_7^{u,d} = \frac{\tilde{g}_{\alpha\beta}^{u,d}}{\Lambda^3} \,\overline{L_\alpha^C} \, L_\beta \, H\left\{ (\overline{Q} \, u_R), \, (\overline{d_R} \, Q) \right\}$$

After the EWSB and ChSB one arrives at the Majorana mass matrix of active neutrinos

$$m_{\alpha\beta}{}^{\nu} = g_{\alpha\beta} v \frac{\langle \overline{q}q \rangle}{\Lambda^3} \\ = g_{\alpha\beta} v \left(\frac{\omega}{\Lambda}\right)^3$$

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = g^{u}_{\alpha\beta} + g^{d}_{\alpha\beta}, \quad v/\sqrt{2} = \langle H^{0} \rangle$$

$$\omega = -\langle \overline{q}q \rangle^{1/3}, \quad \langle \overline{q}q \rangle^{1/3} \approx -283 \,\mathrm{MeV}_{\mathrm{vic}}$$

This operator contributes to the Majorana-neutrino mass matrix due to chiral symmetry breaking via the light-quark condensate.



The genuine QCSS scenario (predicts NH and v-mass spectrum)

$$\mathcal{L}_7 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \frac{v}{\Lambda^3} \overline{\nu_{\alpha L}^C} \nu_{\beta L} (g^u_{\alpha\beta} \overline{u_L} u_R + g^d_{\alpha\beta} \overline{d_R} d_L) + \text{H.c.}$$

$$m^{\nu}_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{g_{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{2}} v \frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle}{\Lambda^3} = \frac{g_{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{2}} v \left(\frac{\omega}{\Lambda}\right)^3$$





Neutrino spectrum (NH) !!! 2 meV < m₁ < 7 meV 9 meV < m₂ < 11 meV 50 meV < m₂ < 51 meV

Prediction for m_β 9 meV < m_b < 12 meV

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Prediction for cosmology} (\Sigma) \\ 62 \ meV < m_1 + m_2 + m_3 < 69 \ meV \end{array}$

neutrino ↔ antineutrinos
oscillations
governed by a related parameter
m^L_{ee} (L=0) = m_{ββ}
$$A(\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{\gamma}) = \sum_{i} [U^{*}_{\alpha i}U^{*}_{\gamma i} \frac{m_{i}}{E} exp(-i\frac{m_{i}^{2}}{2E}L)] \bar{K}$$
$$A(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\gamma}) = \sum_{i} [U_{\alpha i}U_{\gamma i} \frac{m_{i}}{E} exp(-i\frac{m_{i}^{2}}{2E}L)] K$$
$$P(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\gamma}) = \frac{|K|^{2}}{E^{2}} (m_{\alpha\gamma}^{L})^{2}$$
$$m_{\alpha\gamma}^{L} = \left| \sum_{i} U_{\alpha i}U_{\gamma i}m_{i} e^{-i\frac{m_{i}^{2}}{2E}L} \right|$$

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Neutrino oscillations (Quantum Mechanics Approach)

Massive neutrinos and neutrino oscillations

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The theory of neutrino mixing and neutrino oscillations, as well as the properties of massive neutrinos (Dirac and Majorana), are reviewed. More specifically, the following topics are discussed in detail: (i) the possible types of neutrino mass terms; (ii) oscillations of neutrinos (iii) the implications of *CP* invariance for the mixing and oscillations of neutrinos in vacuum; (iv) possible varieties of massive neutrinos (Dirac, Majorana, pseudo-Dirac); (v) the physical differences between massive Dirac and massive Majorana neutrinos and the possibilities of distinguishing experimentally between them; (vi) the electromagnetic properties of massive neutrinos. Some of the proposed mechanisms of neutrino mass generation in gauge theories of the electroweak interaction and in grand unified theories are also discussed. The lepton number nonconserving processes $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ and $\mu \rightarrow 3e$ in theories with massive neutrinos are considered. The basic elements of the theory of neutrinoless double- β decay are discussed as well. Finally, the existing data on neutrino masses, oscillations of neutrinos, and neutrinoless double- β decay are briefly reviewed. The main emphasis in the review is on the general model-independent results of the theory. Detailed derivations of these are presented.

 $\mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta}(E_{\nu},L) = \left| \sum_{i=1}^{3} U_{\alpha j}^{*} U_{\beta j} e^{-i \ m_{j}^{2} \ L/(2E_{\nu})} \right|$

$$\begin{aligned} S \to S'' + \ell_{\alpha}'' + \nu_{\alpha} \\ \nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta} \\ \beta + D \to D' + \ell_{\beta}^{-} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{osc} &= \int \frac{d\Phi_{\nu}(E_{\nu})}{dE_{\nu}} \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta}(E_{\nu}, L)}{4\pi L^{2}} \sigma(E_{\nu}) dE_{\nu} \\ \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta}(E_{\nu}, L)}{4\pi L^{2}} \sigma(E_{\nu}) dE_{\nu} \end{aligned}$$
Rev. Mod. Phys. 59, 671 (1987)
961 citations (inspire hep)

Process is governed by the oscillation probability

 $S + D \rightarrow \ell_{\alpha}^+ + \ell_{\beta}^- + S' + D'$

 αl , $\rho + \tau$

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$$\langle f|S^{(2)}|i\rangle = -i \int d^4x_1 J_S^{\mu}(P'_S, P_S) e^{i(P_{\alpha} + P'_S - P_S) \cdot x_1} \times$$

$$\int d^4x_2 J_D^{\mu}(P'_D, P_D) e^{i(P_{\beta} + P'_D - P_D) \cdot x_2} \sum_{k=1}^3 U^*_{\alpha k} U_{\beta k} \times$$

$$(Within the end of the equation of the$$

Neutrino oscillations (within QFT, Walter Grimus approach revisited) e-Print: <u>2212.13635</u> [hep-ph]

The neutrino emission and detection are identified with the charged-current vertices of a single second-order Feynman diagram for the underlying process, enclosing neutrino propagation between these two points.

$$D(x;m) = \theta(x_0)D^-(x;m) + \theta(-x_0)D^+(x;m),$$
$$D^{\pm}(x;m) = \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\mp(-\mathbf{q}\cdot\vec{\gamma}+\omega\gamma^0)+m}{2\omega} e^{\pm i(-\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{x}+\omega x_0)}$$

Fedor Simkovic $\frac{2\pi i}{\omega + E_{\alpha} + E_{S}' - E_{S} + i\varepsilon} \frac{\delta(E_{\beta} + E_{D}' - E_{D} + E_{\alpha} + E_{S}' - E_{S})}{\omega + E_{\alpha} + E_{S}' - E_{S} + i\varepsilon}.$

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Neutrino propagation

$$\int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\not p + m_k}{2\omega(\omega + E_\alpha + E'_S - E_S + i\varepsilon)} e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot(\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1)}$$
$$\simeq \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{e^{i\mathbf{p}_k |\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1|}}{|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1|} \ (\not Q_k + m_k) \simeq e^{i\mathbf{p}_k \cdot \mathbf{x}_D} \ e^{-i\mathbf{p}_k \cdot \mathbf{x}_S} \ \frac{e^{i\mathbf{p}_k L}}{L} \ (\not Q_k + m_k)$$

$$Q_{k} \equiv (E_{\nu}, \mathbf{p}_{k}), \quad \mathbf{p}_{k} = p_{k} \left(\mathbf{x}_{2} - \mathbf{x}_{1}\right) / |\mathbf{x}_{2} - \mathbf{x}_{1}|, \quad p_{k} = \sqrt{E_{\nu}^{2} - m_{k}^{2}}$$
$$E_{\nu} = E_{S} - E_{S}' - E_{\alpha} \left(source\right) = E_{\beta} + E_{D}' - E_{D} \left(detector\right)$$
Energy conservation

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Amplitude



Master formula

$$d\Gamma^{\alpha\beta}(L) = \sum_{km} U_{\alpha k} U^*_{\beta k} U_{\alpha m} U^*_{\beta m} \frac{e^{i(p_k - p_m)L}}{4\pi L^2} \times \mathcal{F}^{\alpha\beta}_{km}$$

$$\delta(\mathbf{p}_k + \mathbf{p}_\alpha + \mathbf{p}'_S - \mathbf{p}_S)\delta(\mathbf{p}_\beta + \mathbf{p}'_D - \mathbf{p}_D - \mathbf{p}_m)$$

$$\frac{(2\pi)^7}{4E_S E_D} \delta(E_\beta + E'_D - E_D + E_\alpha + E'_S - E_S) \times$$

$$\frac{1}{\hat{I}_S \hat{J}_D} \frac{d\mathbf{p}_\alpha}{2E_\alpha (2\pi)^3} \frac{d\mathbf{p}_\beta}{2E_\beta (2\pi)^3} \frac{d\mathbf{p}'_S}{2E'_S (2\pi)^3} \frac{d\mathbf{p}'_D}{2E'_D (2\pi)^3}$$
with
$$\mathcal{F}^{\alpha\beta}_{km} = 4\pi \sum_{\text{spin}} \frac{1}{2} \left(T^{\alpha\beta}_k \left(T^{\alpha\beta}_m \right)^* + T^{\alpha\beta}_m \left(T^{\alpha\beta}_k \right)^* \right)$$

$$\langle \Phi^{\boldsymbol{S},\boldsymbol{D}}(\mathbf{P}_{\boldsymbol{i}}) | \Phi^{\boldsymbol{S},\boldsymbol{D}}(\mathbf{P}_{\boldsymbol{k}}) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \ 2E_k \ \delta^3_{\boldsymbol{V}_{\boldsymbol{S},\boldsymbol{D}}} \ (\mathbf{P}_{\boldsymbol{i}} - \mathbf{P}_{\boldsymbol{k}})$$

Two normalization volumes: $\delta_V^3(\mathbf{Q}_n - \mathbf{P}) \ \delta_V^3(\mathbf{Q}_m - \mathbf{P}) \simeq$ i) source;V $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2} \left(\delta_V^3(\mathbf{Q}_n - \mathbf{P}) + \delta_V^3(\mathbf{Q}_m - \mathbf{P}) \right)$

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \text{An example:} \\ \text{e-Print: } \underline{2212.13635} \text{ [hep-ph]} \end{array} & \pi^{+} + n \rightarrow \mu^{+} + e^{-} + p \\ \pi^{+} \rightarrow \mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu}, \quad \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{e}, \quad \nu_{e} + n \rightarrow p + e^{-} \end{array} \\ \Gamma_{osc}^{\pi^{+}n} = \int \frac{d\Phi_{\nu}(E_{\nu}')}{dE_{\nu}'} \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\nu_{\mu}\nu_{e}}(E_{\nu}')}{4\pi L^{2}} \sigma(E_{\nu}') dE_{\nu}' \\ = \frac{1}{2\pi^{2}} G_{\beta}^{2} \left(\frac{f_{\pi}}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{2} \frac{m_{\mu}^{2}}{m_{\pi}} E_{\nu}^{2} \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\nu_{\mu}\nu_{e}}(E_{\nu})}{4\pi L^{2}} \left(g_{\nu}^{2} + 3g_{A}^{2}\right) p_{e}E_{e} \\ with \\ \mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta}(E_{\nu}, L) = \left|\sum_{j=1}^{3} U_{\alpha j}^{*}U_{\beta j}e^{-im_{j}^{2}L/(2E_{\nu})}\right|^{2} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Standard QM} \\ \text{approach} \\ \mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta}(E_{\nu}, L) = \left|\sum_{j=1}^{3} U_{\alpha j}^{*}U_{\beta j}e^{-im_{j}^{2}L/(2E_{\nu})}\right|^{2} \\ \frac{\text{New QFT}}{approach} \\ \mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta}^{QFT}(E_{\nu}) = \frac{1}{2}\sum_{km} U_{\beta k}U_{\alpha k}^{*} U_{\beta k}^{*}U_{\alpha k} e^{i(p_{m}-p_{k})L} \left(1 + \frac{p_{k}p_{m}}{E_{\nu}^{2}}\right) \end{array} \end{array}$$





Скъпи Сергей, Честит Рожден ден 70 години!

I would like to wish you strong health, happiness, and just to enjoy life and physics to jubilee celebration!



You deserve much honor for all you have done in your 70 years. Enjoy your special day.

> Most cordially yours, Fedor + v_e + v_{μ} + v_{τ} + (v_s)





