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Detecting of Relic Neutrinos and Measuring Fundametal Properties of Neutrinos with Atomic Nuclei

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# OUTLINE

# • Introduction

- Absolute neutrino mass scale and single  $\beta$ -decay
- The  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NMEs
- Oscillations of atoms (DEC)
- (Partly)bosonic neutrino and  $2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay
- Conclusion and outlook

**Pauli proposes existence of "neutron" (with spin \frac{1}{2} and mass not more than 0.01 mass of proton) in nucleus.**  $\beta$ -decay is then a three body decay with continues distribution of energy among constituents.



I have done a terrible thing I invented a particle that cannot be detected W. Pauli

4 December 1930 A letter to Tuebingen



#### **Detector at Savannah River** Nuclear reactor (1956)



**3 events per hour** 

We are happy to inform you (Pauli) that we have definitely detected V Reines & Cowan

 $\overline{\mathbf{v}} + \mathbf{p} \rightarrow \mathbf{n} + \mathbf{e}^+$ Reines: 1995 Nobel Prize

Signals due to: i) e<sup>+</sup> annihilation, ii) n-capture

 $\sigma =$  (1.1±0.3) 10<sup>-43</sup> cm<sup>2</sup>

in agreement with Fermi theory of β-decay

# Sources of neutrinos

The Sun is the most intense detected source with a flux on Earth of 6 10<sup>10</sup> v/cm<sup>2</sup>s



## **Fundamental properties of neutrinos**

Like most people, physicists enjoy a good mystery. When you start investigating a mystery you rarely know where it is going

After 54 years we know

- 3 families of light (V-A) neutrinos:  $\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$
- v are massive: we know mass squared differences
- relation between flavor states and mass states (neutrino mixing) only partially known

Claim for evidence of the  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

H.V. Klapdor-Kleingrothaus et al.,NIM A 522, 371 (2004); PLB 586, 198 (2004)

Absolute ν mass scale from the 0νββ-decay. (cosmology, <sup>3</sup>H, <sup>187</sup>Rh ?)
ν's are their own antiparticles – Majorana.

#### No answer yet

- Is there a CP violation in v sector? (leptogenesis)
- Are neutrinos stable?
- $\bullet$  What is the magnetic moment of  $\nu?$
- Sterile neutrinos?
- Statistical properties of v? Fermionic or partly bosonic?









Tritium beta decay: 
$${}^{3}H \rightarrow {}^{3}He + e^{-} + \bar{\nu}_{e}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\Gamma}{\mathrm{d}T} = \frac{\left(\cos\vartheta_C G_{\mathrm{F}}\right)^2}{2\pi^3} |\mathcal{M}|^2 F(E) p E \left(Q - T\right) \sqrt{\left(Q - T\right)^2 - m_{\nu_e}^2}$$

1934 – Fermi pointed out that shape of electron spectrum in  $\beta$ -decay near the endpoint is sensitive to neutrino mass

**First measured by Hanna and Pontecorvo with estimation** m<sub>v</sub> ~ 1 keV [Phys. Rev. 75, 983 (1940)]



# Karlsruhe TRItium Neutrino experiment (KATRIN)



Evidence for neutrino mass signal KATRIN discovery potential: No neutrino mass signal KATRIN sensitivity

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## **Standard approach**

- non-relativistic nuclear w.f.
- nuclear recoil neglected
- phase space analysis

$$E_e^{\max} = M_i - M_f - m_v$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\Gamma}{\mathrm{d}T} = \frac{\left(\cos\vartheta_C G_{\mathrm{F}}\right)^2}{2\pi^3} |\mathcal{M}|^2 F(E) p E \left(Q - T\right) \sqrt{\left(Q - T\right)^2 - m_{\nu_e}^2}$$

**Relativistic EPT approach** • Analogy with n-decay  $(^{3}\text{H}, ^{3}\text{He}) \leftrightarrow (n,p)$ • nuclear recoil of 3.4 eV by E<sub>e</sub><sup>max</sup> relevant only phase space

$$E_{e}^{\max} = \frac{1}{2M_{f}} \left[ M_{i}^{2} + m_{e}^{2} - \left( M_{f}^{2} - m_{v}^{2} \right) \right]$$

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**Numerics: Practically the same dependence** of Kurie function on  $m_v$  for  $E_e \approx E_e^{max}$ 

# **Relativistic approach to <sup>3</sup>H decay**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\Gamma}{dE_e} &= \frac{1}{(\pi)^3} (G_F \cos \theta_e)^2 F(Z, E_e) p_e \\ &\times \frac{M_i^2}{(m_{12})} \sqrt{y \left(y + 2m_\nu \frac{M_f}{M_i}\right)} \\ &\times \left[ (g_V + g_A)^2 y \left(y + m_\nu \frac{M_f}{M_i}\right) \frac{M_i^2 (E_e^2 - m_e^2)}{3(m_{12})^4} \right] \\ &\qquad (g_V + g_A)^2 (y + m_\nu \frac{M_f + m_\nu}{M_i}) \frac{(M_i E_e - m_e^2)}{m_{12}^2} \\ &\qquad \times (y + M_f \frac{M_f + m_\nu}{M_i}) \frac{(M_i^2 - M_i E_e)}{m_{12}^2} \\ &\qquad - (g_V^2 - g_A^2) M_f \left(y + m_\nu \frac{(M_f + M_\nu)}{M_i}\right) \\ &\qquad \times \frac{(M_i E_e - m_e^2)}{(m_{12})^2} \\ &\qquad + (g_V - g_A)^2 E_e \left(y + m_\nu \frac{M_f}{M_i}\right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$y = E_e^{max} - E_e \\ (m_{12})^2 = M_i^2 - 2M_i E_e + m_e^2 \end{aligned}$$
F.Š., R. Dvornický, A. Faessler, PRC 77 (2008) 055502 \end{aligned}

# **Rhenium** $\beta$ -decay $^{187}Re \rightarrow ^{187}Os + e^- + \tilde{v}_e$

- Beta emitter of g.s. $\rightarrow$ g.s. transition with lowest known Q value (2.47 keV)
- Relative high half-live  $(T_{1/2}=4.35 \times 10^{10} \text{ y}) \sim \text{age of the Universe}$
- Natural abundance 63%

first unique forbidden  $\beta$ -decay  $\Rightarrow$   $5/2^+ \rightarrow 1/2^- \Rightarrow \Delta J^{\pi} = 2^-$ 

MIBETA (AgReO<sub>4</sub>, 10\*(250-350) mg Milano/Como) $m_v^2 = -141 \pm 211 \pm 90 \text{ eV}^2$ MANU (Re metalic crystals, 1.5 mg, Genova) $m_v = 15.6 \text{ eV}$  (90% c.l.)

The entire energy is measured in the detector except the neutrino including the molecular & atomic excitations

Microcalorimeter Arrays for a Rhenium Experiment (MARE)

MARE II:  $5000 - 50\ 000\ detectors\ (MIBETA\ 10)$ Expected sensitivity  $m_v = 0.2\ eV$ 





## **Spectrum of emitted electrons in rhenium β-decay**



# Kurie plots for rhenium (MARE) and tritium (KATRIN) β-decay

#### Rhenium

#### **Tritium**

$$B_{\text{Re}} = \frac{G_F V_{ud}}{\sqrt{2\pi^3}} \frac{g_A}{\sqrt{2J_i + 1}} \bigg|^{<187} Os \, \|\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} \sum_n \tau_n^+ \frac{r_n}{R} \big\{ \sigma_1 \otimes Y_1 \big\}_2 \, \|^{187} Re > \bigg| \qquad B_T = \frac{G_F V_{ud}}{\sqrt{2\pi^3}} \sqrt{g_V^2 + 3g_A^2} \\ \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}R^2 p^2} \frac{F_1(Z, E)}{\pi \sqrt{2\pi^3}} \qquad K(y) / B_T = \big(\sqrt{y(y + 2m_v)}(y + m_v)\big)^{1/2}$$

$$\times \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}R^2p^2\frac{F_1(Z,E)}{F_0(Z,E)}}$$

$$K(E_e) / B_{\text{Re}} \cong (E_0 - E_e) \sqrt[4]{1 - \frac{m_v^2}{(E_0 - E_e)^2}}$$

**Properly normalized Kurie** functions are practically the same by the endpoint !

$$K(E)/B_{Re} \cong K(y)/B_T$$

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# **Relic neutrinos**

The neutrino capture via the  $\beta$ -decaying nucleus is a unique tool to detect cosmological neutrinos



#### **Temperature**

$$T_{\nu}^{0} = \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{1/3} T_{\gamma}^{0} \approx (1.945 \pm 0.001) K \rightarrow k_{\rm B} T_{\nu} \approx (1.676 \pm 0.001) \times 10^{-4} eV$$
$$T_{\gamma}^{0} = (2.725 \pm 0.001) K = (2.348 \pm 0.001) \times 10^{-4} eV$$

Mean momentum

$$\left\langle p_{\nu}^{0} \right\rangle = \frac{7}{2} \frac{\zeta(4)}{\zeta(3)} T_{\nu}^{0} \approx 3.151 T_{\nu}^{0} \approx 5.314 \times 10^{-4} eV$$

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## **Gravitational clustering of relic neutrinos**

- Neutrinos of CvB are non-relativistic and weakly-clustered
- If they are heavy enough, such that their velocities become less than the escape velocity of a massive object, the RNs fall into the potencial wells of the latter – and are clustered today
- Massive neutrinos,  $m_v \sim 1 \text{ eV}$ , will be gravitationally clustered on the scale of  $\sim$ Mpc ( $\sim 3 \times 10^{19}$ km), that is on the scale of galaxy clusters
- Overdensities of the order of 10<sup>3</sup>-10<sup>4</sup>

R. Lazauskas, P. Vogel, C. Volpe, J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 35 (2008)

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**Detection of relic neutrinos by KATRIN experiment** 

$$v + {}^{3}H((1/2)^{+}) \to {}^{3}He((1/2)^{+}) + e^{-}$$

Assuming  $M_F=1$ ,  $M_{GT}=\sqrt{3}$  and  $\eta_{\nu}=<\eta_{\nu}>$  the capture rate

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$$\Gamma^{\nu}(^{3}H) = \frac{1}{\pi}G_{\beta}^{2} F_{0}(2,p) p p_{0} \left(|M_{F}|^{2} + g_{A}^{2}|M_{GT}|^{2}\right) \frac{\eta_{\nu}}{\langle \eta_{\nu} \rangle} < \eta_{\nu} >$$
$$\Gamma^{\nu}(^{3}H) = 4.2 \ 10^{-25} \ y^{-1}$$

**Ratio of capture and decay rates** 

$$\mathbf{T}_{1/2} = \mathbf{12.32} \ \mathbf{y} \Rightarrow \qquad \qquad \frac{\Gamma^{\nu} ({}^{3}H)}{\Gamma^{\beta} ({}^{3}H)} = 7.5 \ 10^{-24}$$

A. G. Cocco, G. Mangano, M. Messina 6.6 10<sup>-24</sup>

**KATRIN will use ~50 µg of <sup>3</sup>H**  $N_{capt}^{\nu}(KATRIN) \approx 4.2 \ 10^{-6} \ \frac{\eta_{\nu}}{<\eta_{\nu}>} y^{-1}$ 

Even considering effect of clustering of v,  $\eta_v / <\eta_v > ~ 10^3$ -10<sup>4</sup> : N<sup>v</sup><sub>capt</sub>(KATRIN) < 1 y<sup>-1</sup>

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## **Detection of relic neutrinos by MARE experiment**

$$v + {}^{187}Re((5/2)^+) \rightarrow {}^{187}Os((1/2)^-) + e^-$$

**The capture rate** 
$$\Gamma^{\nu}({}^{187}Re) = \frac{1}{\pi}G_{\beta} F_1(76,p) \frac{1}{3} (p R)^2 \mathscr{B} p p_0 \frac{\eta_{\nu}}{\langle \eta_{\nu} \rangle} < \eta_{\nu} > 0$$

**The strength** 
$$\mathscr{B} = \frac{g_A^2}{6} | < {}^{187}Os(1/2^-) || \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} \sum_n \tau_n^+ \frac{r_n}{R} \{ \sigma_n \otimes Y_1(\Omega_{r_n}) \}_2 || {}^{187}Re(5/2^+) > |^2$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{1/2} = 4.35 \times 10^{10} \text{ y} \Rightarrow \qquad \mathscr{B} = 3.57 \times 10^{-4} \qquad \Gamma^{v}(^{187}Re) = 2.75 \ 10^{-32} \ y^{-1}$$

**Ratio of capture and decay rates** 

$$\frac{\Gamma^{\nu}(^{187}Re)}{\Gamma^{\beta}(^{187}Re)} = 1.7 \ 10^{-21}$$

200 larger as for <sup>3</sup>H

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**MARE: 760 g of AgReO**<sub>4</sub> bolometers  $\Rightarrow$ 

$$N_{capt}^{v}(MARE) \simeq 7.6 \ 10^{-8} \ \frac{\eta_{v}}{<\eta_{v}>} \ y^{-1}_{\rm or}$$
, 50 smaller as for <sup>3</sup>H



# What is the nature of neutrinos?



# Only the $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay can answer this fundamental question

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<b>Standard Model</b> Lepton Universality													
PARTICLES	Particle		Symbol	Anti - p.	mass		$L_e$ $L_\mu$		$L_{\tau}$	life-time			
					[MeV]					[s]			
	electron		$e^{-}$ $e^{+}$		0.511		1	0	0	stable			
	el.neutra		$\nu_e$	$\overline{\nu}_e$	$< 2.2 \ 10^{-6}$		1	0	0	stable			
	muon	,	$\mu^-$	$\mu^+$	$\mu^+$ 105.6		0	1	0	$2.2 \ 10^{-6}$			
Θ μ τ <mark>Μ</mark> ρ	muon	neutr.	$ u_{\mu}$	$\overline{ u}_{\mu}$	< 0.19		0	1	0	stable			
I II III Three Generations of Matter	tau		$\tau^{-}$	$\tau^+$	1777.		0	0	1	$2.9 \ 10^{-13}$			
	tau n	eutrino	$ u_{ au}$	$\overline{ u}_{ au}$	< 1	< 18.2		0	1	stable			
Lepton Family	pton Family <b>NEW PHYSICS</b> Total Lepton						n						
Number Violation massive neutrinos, SUSY						Nu	Number Violation						
$ u_{e,\mu au} \leftrightarrow  u_{e,\mu au},  \overline{ u}_{e,\mu au} \leftarrow $	$\rightarrow \overline{\nu}_{e,\mu\tau}$	obseri	ed	$ u_{e,\mu\tau} \leftrightarrow \overline{\nu} $	ν e,μτ				not o	bserved			
$\mu^+  ightarrow e^+ + \gamma$		$R \leq 1$	$2 \times 10^{-11}$	$K^+ \to \pi^-$	$^{-} + e^{+}$	$+ \mu^+$			$R \leq S$	$5 \times 10^{-10}$			
$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + e^- + e^+$		$R \leq 1$	$0 \times 10^{-12}$	$\gamma^{-} \to \pi^{-} + \pi^{+} + e^{+}$ $R \le 1.9 > 1.9 $				$1.9 \times 10^{-6}$					
$K^+ \to \pi^+ + e^- + \mu^+$	$K^+ \to \pi^+ + e^- + \mu^+$ $R \le 4.7 \times 10^{-12}$ $W^- + W^- \to e^- + e^-$												
$\tau^- \to e^- + \mu^+ + \mu^-$		$R \leq 1$	$.8 \times 10^{-6}$	$(A, Z) \rightarrow$	(A, Z)	+2) + -	e <sup>-</sup> +	e <sup>-</sup>	$T^{0\nu} \ge$	$\geq 1.9 \times 10^{-25}$			
$Z^0  ightarrow e^{\pm} + \mu^{\mp}$		$R \leq 1$	$7 \times 10^{-6}$	$\mu_b^- + (A,$	$Z) \rightarrow$	(A, Z -	2) +	$e^+$	$R \leq 3$	$3.6  imes 10^{-11}$			
$\mu_b^- + (A, Z) \to (A, Z)$	$+ e^{-}$	$R \leq 1$	$2 \times 10^{-11}$	$e^- + e^-$	$\rightarrow \pi^-$ -	⊢ <i>π</i> −			?				
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The answer to the question whether neutrinos are their own antiparticles is of central importance, not only to our understanding of neutrinos, but also to our understanding of the origin of mass.

$$\frac{1}{T_{1/2}} = G^{0\nu}(E_0, Z) |M'^{0\nu}|^2 |\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle|^2 , \qquad m_{\beta\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{ei}^2 m_i$$



An accurate knowledge of the nuclear matrix elements, which is not available at present, is however a pre-requisite for exploring neutrino properties.

## The double beta decay process can be observed due to nuclear pairing interaction that favors energetically the even-even nuclei over the odd-odd nuclei



Preferable nuclear systems with large  $\Delta M_A$  (E<sup>5</sup>)

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Nuclear systems with small ΔM<sub>A</sub> might be also important (resonant enhancement) Signal from γ- and X-rays

# The $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NMEs

In double beta decay two neutrons bound in the ground state of an initial even-even nucleus are simultaneously transformed into two protons that are bound in the ground state or excited  $(0^+, 2^+)$  states of the final nucleus

It is necessary to evaluate, with a sufficient accuracy, wave functions of both nuclei, and evaluate the matrix element of the Ovßß-decay operator connecting them

This can not be done exactly, some approximation and/or truncation is always needed. Moreover, there is no other analogues observable that can be used to judge the quality of the result.

# **Many-body Hamiltonian**



• Introduce a mean-field U to yield basis

$$H = \sum_{i} \left( \frac{\vec{p}_i^2}{2m} + U(r_i) \right) + \sum_{i < j} V_{NN} \left( \vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j \right) - \sum_{i} U(r_i)$$

**Residual interaction** 



The success of any nuclear structure calculation depends on the choice of the mean-field basis and the residual interaction!

- The mean field determines the shell structure
- In effect, nuclear-structure calculations rely on perturbation theory

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# Two complementary procedures are commonly used: • Nuclear shell model (NSM)

•Quasiparticle Random Phase Approximation (QRPA)

In NSM a limited valence space is used but all configurations of valence nucleons are included. Describes well properties of low-lying nuclear states. Technically difficult, thus only few 0vββ-decay calculations

In QRPA a large valence space is used, but only a class of configurations is included. Describe collective states, but not details of dominantly few particle states. Relative simple, thus more 0nbb-decay calculations

<ul> <li>residual interaction</li> <li>size of the model space</li> <li>many-body approximation</li> </ul>
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## A simple view on the problem of the NMEs (2004)



Phys. Rev. D 70, 033012 (2004)



# A claim of evidence and other experiments (current status, QRPA NMEs)



# **Neutrinoless Double Electron Capture**





# $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Atom mixing amplitude} \\ \Delta \textbf{M} \end{array}$

$$E \simeq E^* + E_{\rm H} + E_{\rm H'},$$
  
$$\Gamma \simeq \Gamma^* + \Gamma_{\rm H} + \Gamma_{\rm H'}.$$

**Decay rate** 

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \simeq \frac{\left(\Delta M\right)^2}{\left(Q-E\right)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^2} \Gamma,$$

2vECEC-background depends strongly on Q-value

## Neutrinoless double eleectron capture (resonace transitions) (A,Z)→(A,Z-2)\*<sup>HH</sup>'

#### J. Bernabeu, A. DeRujula, C. Jarlskog, Nucl. Phys. B 223, 15 (1983)

DEC transitions, abundance, daughter nuclear excitation, atomic vacancies and figure of merit of some isotopes [10]

Transition $Z \rightarrow Z - 2$	Z-natural abundance in %	Nuclear excitation $E^*$ (in MeV), $J^P$	Atomic vacancies H, H'	Figure of merit $Q - E$ (in keV)
<sup>74</sup> <sub>34</sub> Se → <sup>74</sup> <sub>32</sub> Ge	0.87	1.204 (2+)	2S(P), 2S(P)	$2\pm3$
$^{78}_{36}\mathrm{Kr} \rightarrow ^{78}_{34}\mathrm{Se}$	0.36	2.839 (2 <sup>+</sup> ) 2.864 (?)	1 <b>S</b> , 1 <b>S</b>	$\frac{19}{-6} \pm 10$
$^{102}_{46}Pd \rightarrow ^{102}_{44}Ru$	1	1.103 (2 <sup>+</sup> ) 1.107 (4 <sup>+</sup> )	1S, 1S	$\frac{29}{25} \pm 9$
<sup>106</sup> 48Cd → <sup>106</sup> Pd	1.25	2.741 (?)	1 <b>S</b> , 1 <b>S</b>	$-8 \pm 10$
$^{112}_{50}$ Sn $\rightarrow ^{112}_{48}$ Cd	1.01	1.871 (0+)	15, 15	$-3\pm10$
<sup>130</sup> <sub>56</sub> Ba → <sup>130</sup> <sub>54</sub> Xe	0.11	2.502 (?) 2.544 (?)	1S, 1S 1S, 2S(P)	$\frac{8}{-6} \pm 13$
$^{152}_{64}Gd \rightarrow ^{152}_{62}Sm$	0.20	0 (0+)	15, 25	$4\pm4$
<sup>162</sup> <sub>68</sub> Er → <sup>162</sup> <sub>66</sub> Dy	0.14	1.783 (2+)	18, 28	1 ± 6
$^{164}_{68}\text{Er} \rightarrow {}^{164}_{66}\text{Dy}$	1.56	0 (0+)	28, 28	$9\pm 5$
$^{168}_{70}$ Yb $\rightarrow ^{168}_{68}$ Er	0.14	1.355 (1 <sup>-</sup> ) 1.393 (?)	15, 25 25, 25	$\frac{1}{8} \pm 4$
$^{180}_{74}W \rightarrow ^{180}_{72}Hf$	0.13	0 (0 <sup>+</sup> ) 0.093 (2 <sup>+</sup> )	15, 15 15, 35	$\frac{26}{-4} \pm 17$
$^{196}_{80}$ Hg $\rightarrow ^{186}_{78}$ Pt	0.15	0.689 (2+)	15, 25	26 ± 9

## **Different types of Oscillations (Effective Hamiltonian)**

$$H_{eff}^{K_0\overline{K_0}} = \begin{pmatrix} M - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma & M_{12} - \Gamma_{12} \\ M_{12}^* - \Gamma_{12}^* & M - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_{eff}^{n\overline{n}} = \begin{pmatrix} M & V^{BNV} \\ V^{BNV} & M - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

 $H_{eff}^{atom}$ 

**Eigenvalues** 

 $\begin{array}{ccc} M_i & V^{LNV} \\ V^{LNV} & M_f - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma \end{array}$ 

**Oscillations of**  $v_{l}$ - $v_{l}$ , (lepton flavor)

**Oscillation of K**<sub>0</sub>**-anti**{K<sub>0</sub>} (strangeness)

Oscillation of n-anti{n} (baryon number)

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Oscillation of Atoms (OoA) (total lepton number)

F.Š., M. Krivoruchenko, Phys.Part.Nucl.Lett. 6 (2009) 485.

## Full width of unstable atom/nucleus

$$\begin{split} \lambda_{+} &= M_{i} + \Delta M - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_{1}, \\ \lambda_{-} &= M_{f} - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma - \Delta M + \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_{1} \end{split} \qquad \Delta M = \frac{V^{2}(M_{i} - M_{f})}{(M_{i} - M_{f})^{2} + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^{2}}, \\ \Gamma_{1} &= \frac{V^{2}\Gamma}{(M_{i} - M_{f})^{2} + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^{2}}. \end{split}$$



# **Oscillations of stable atoms (\Gamma=0)**

# **Double electron capture** $e_{1s1/2} + e_{1s1/2} + {}^{112}Sn \rightarrow {}^{112}Cd(0^+_3)$

**Reletivistic electron w.f. (j=1/2, l=0, l'=1)** 

$$\Psi_{jm}^{(\alpha)}(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} f_{\alpha}(r) \ \Omega_{jlm} \\ (-1)^{\frac{1+l+l'}{2}} g_{\alpha}(r) \ \Omega_{jl'm} \end{pmatrix} \quad l = j \pm 1/2, \ l' = 2j - l$$

**Potential** 0.022  $V^{1s_{1/2}1s_{1/2}}(0_3^+) = \frac{1}{4\pi} m_e \left( G_\beta^2 m_e^4 \right) \quad \frac{m_{\beta\beta}}{m_e} \frac{1}{R m_e} \left( \frac{\left( \bar{f}_{1s_{1/2}} \right)^2}{4\pi m_e^3} g_A^2 M^{0\nu}(0_3^+).$ **Matrix element** Width **M**<sup>0</sup>v Exc. state  $E_{ex}$  (MeV)  $\Gamma^{ECEC} = \frac{\left| V^{1s_{1/2}1s_{1/2}}(0_3^+) \right|^2}{(M_i - M_f)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_X^2}{4}} \Gamma_X$ **0**<sup>+</sup><sub>g.s.</sub> 2.69 0  $0^+_1$  (1 ph.) 1.224 3.02 0<sup>+</sup><sub>2</sub> (2 ph.) 1.433 0.90 0<sup>+</sup><sub>3</sub>(1 ph.) 1.224 2.78 Fedor Simkovic 2/4/2010

# Double electron capture of <sup>112</sup>Sn (perspectives of search)

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J <sup>π</sup> =0 <sup>+</sup> Cal	cula	ted double el	ec	tron captur	e h	alf-live	<mark>s (</mark> 1	m <sub>ββ</sub> =	1	eV)		
Transition	M	$T^*_{A,Z-2} - M_{A,Z-2}$	A	$M_{A,Z-2}^{**} - M_{A,Z}$		Holes	7	$\Gamma_{1/2}^{\min}$		$T_{1/2}$		
$112_{50}$ Sn $\rightarrow 112_{48}$ Cd	*	$1871\pm0.2$		$-5.9 \pm 4.2 \pm 2.7$		$1s_{1/2} \ 1s_{1/2} \ 2$		$2 \times 10^{24}$ 8		$\times 10^{30}$		
$\begin{bmatrix} 152\\ 64 \end{bmatrix} \operatorname{Gd} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 152\\ 62 \end{bmatrix} \operatorname{Sn}$	1	0		0 -0.3		$0.3 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	$3 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$ 1s		5 :	$\times 10^{24}$ 9		$\times 10^{29}$
		0	5	$5.9 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	1s	$_{1/2} \ 3s_{1/2}$	4 :	$\times 10^{25}$	8	$\times 10^{29}$		
		0	7	$7.4 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	1s	$_{1/2} 4s_{1/2}$	8:	$\times 10^{26}$		$10^{33}$		
$\begin{bmatrix} 148\\64 \end{bmatrix} \operatorname{Gd} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 148\\62 \end{bmatrix} \operatorname{Sm}$	1 <b>*</b>	$3045 \pm 2$	5	$5.7 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	2s	$_{1/2} 2s_{1/2}$	8 :	$\times 10^{25}$	3	$\times 10^{32}$		
		$3045 \pm 2$	1	$1.8 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	2s	$_{1/2} \ 3s_{1/2}$	3 :	$\times 10^{26}$	8	$\times 10^{33}$		
		$3045 \pm 2$		$13.3 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$		$2s_{1/2} \ 4s_{1/2} \ 4$		$\times 10^{27}$ 2		$\times 10^{35}$		
		$3045 \pm 2$	6	$5.6 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	2p	$_{1/2} 2p_{1/2}$	2 :	$\times 10^{29}$	2	$\times 10^{36}$		
$156_{66}$ Dy $\rightarrow 156_{64}$ Ge	*	$1988.5\pm0.2$		$7.0 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.5$ 2s		$s_{1/2} \ 2s_{1/2} \ 2$		$\times 10^{27}$ 8		$\times 10^{31}$		
		$1988.5\pm0.2$	7	$7.9 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.5$	2p	$\frac{1}{2} 2p_{1/2}$	8:	$\times 10^{29}$	4	$\times 10^{35}$		
Atomic effects taken into account: repulsion of two holes												
Transition	$J^P$	$M_{A,Z-2}^* - M_{A,Z}$	-2	$M_{A,Z-2}^{**} - M_A$	,Z	Holes		$ ilde{T}_{1/2}^{\min}$		$\tilde{T}_{1/2}$		
$162_{68} \text{Er} \rightarrow 162_{66} \text{Dy}^*$	1+	$1745.716 \pm 0.007$		$-10.1 \pm 3.5 \pm 2.5$		$1s_{1/2} \ 1s_{1/2}$		$8 \times 10^{23}$		$2 \times 10^{29}$		
$^{156}_{66}$ Dy $\rightarrow ^{156}_{64}$ Gd	* 1 <sup>+</sup>	$1965.950 \pm 0.004$		$-12.5 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.5$		$1s_{1/2} \ 2s_{1/2}$		$10^{25}$		$3 \times 10^{30}$		
	1+	$1965.950 \pm 0.00$	)4	$-5.8 \pm 6.6 \pm 2$	2.5	$1s_{1/2} \ 3s_1$	1/2	$2 \times 10$	26	$2 \times 10^{31}$		
	1-	$1946.375 \pm 0.00$	)6	$8.4 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.$	5	$1s_{1/2} 2s_1$	1/2	$8 \times 10$	26	$4 \times 10^{31}$		
$74_{34}^{74} \text{Se} \rightarrow 74_{32}^{74} \text{Ge}^*$	$2^+$	$1204.204 \pm 0.007$		$3.0 \pm 1.7 \pm 1.6$		$2p_{1/2} 2p_{3/2}$		$10^{36}$		$10^{45}$		

Lepton number and parity oscillations

**0**<sup>+</sup> $\rightarrow$ **2**<sup>+</sup> strongly suppressed, p<sub>3/2</sub>-electron needed ( squared R/a<sub>B</sub>-factor)

## Q-value measurements Klaus Blaum "LAUNCH09 (Nov. 09)"

	ββ Accuracy below 3	<b>300 eV is not a problem</b>				
Decay	Q-value	Precision				
10Ge - 10Se	G. Douysset et al., PRL 86, 4259 (2001)					
<sup>130</sup> Te – <sup>130</sup> Xe	2527.518(13) M. Redshaw et al., PRL 102, 2125	1E-10 02 (2009)				
<sup>136</sup> Xe – <sup>136</sup> Ba	2457.83(37) M. Redshaw et al., PRL 98, 05300	3E-09 3 (2007)				
	ECEC					
<sup>112</sup> Sm – <sup>112</sup> Cd	1919.82(16)	1E-09				
	S. Rahaman et al., PRL 103, 042501 (2009)					
<sup>120</sup> Te – <sup>120</sup> Sm	1714.81(1.25)	1E-08				
	N. Scielzo et al., PRC 80, 025501 (2009)					

Is it possible to manipulate atomic mass difference?

Magnetic field of 10 T would be not enough ...

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# 2νββ-decay and statistical properties of v

## **Mixed statistics for neutrinos**

- Definition of<br/>mixed state $|\nu \rangle = \hat{a}^{\dagger}|0 \rangle$  $\equiv \cos \delta \ \hat{f}^{\dagger}|0 \rangle + \sin \delta \ \hat{b}^{\dagger}|0 \rangle$  $= \cos \delta \ |f \rangle + \sin \delta \ |b \rangle$
- with commutation $\hat{f}\hat{b} = e^{i\phi}\hat{b}\hat{f}$  $\hat{f}^{\dagger}\hat{b}^{\dagger} = e^{i\phi}\hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{f}^{\dagger}$ Relations $\hat{f}\hat{b}^{\dagger} = e^{-i\phi}\hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{f}$  $\hat{f}^{\dagger}\hat{b} = e^{-i\phi}\hat{b}\hat{f}^{\dagger}$

 $\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Amplitude \ for \ } 2\nu\beta\beta \\ A^{2\nu} &= [\cos\delta^4 + \cos\delta^2 \sin\delta^2(1 - \cos\phi)]A^f + [\cos\delta^4 + \cos\delta^2 \sin\delta^2(1 + \cos\phi)]A^b \\ &= \cos\chi^2 A^f + \sin\chi^2 A^b \end{aligned}$ 

Decay rate  

$$W^{2\nu} = \cos \chi^4 W^f + \sin \chi^4 W^b$$

$$= (1 - b^2) W^f + b^2 W^b$$

Partly bosonic neutrino requires knowing NME or log ft values for HSD or SSD

( calculations coming up soon )

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**Looking for a signature of bosonic** v

$$2\nu\beta\beta - \text{decay half-lives } (0^+ \rightarrow 0^+_{g.s.}, 0^+ \rightarrow 0^+_1, 0^+ \rightarrow 2^+_1)$$
  
• HSD - NME needed  
• SSD - log ft<sub>EC</sub>, log ft<sub>\beta</sub> needed



# Normalized differential characteristics The single electron energy distribution The distribution of the total energy of two electrons Angular correlations of two electrons (free of NME and log ft)

**Mixed** v excluded for  $\sin^2 \chi < 0.6$ 

 $^{100}Mo \rightarrow ^{100}Ru (SSD)$ 



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# Summary

- Single  $\beta$ -decay of <sup>3</sup>H and <sup>187</sup>Re
- Relativistic calculation for  $\beta$ -decay of <sup>3</sup>H presented by considering also the nuclear recoil. The spectrum of the  $\beta$ -decay of <sup>187</sup>Re presented. Practically, the emitted electrons are only in p<sub>3/2</sub> states.
- Detection of relic neutrinos with KATRIN and MARE Even in the case of clustering of neutrinos the production rate is small ≈ 10<sup>-3(-4)</sup> per year. Possibility to establish upper limit on the density of relic neutrinos.
- The  $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NMEs
- Significant progress achieved. But, further studies needed. (Effects of deformation, many-body approximations ... Uncertainties ...)
- Neutrinoless double electron capture Proposed OoA. A phenomenological analysis of this process lead to a resonant enhancement of the DEC that has a Breit-Wigner form.
- 2νββ-decay energy distribution allows to conclude whether neutrinos obey Bose-Einstein or Fermi-Dirac statistics