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**Detecting of Relic Neutrinos and Measuring
Fundamental Properties of Neutrinos
with Atomic Nuclei**

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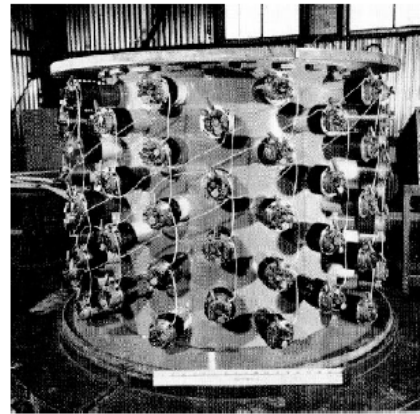
- **Introduction**
- **Absolute neutrino mass scale and single β -decay**
- **The $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NMEs**
- **Oscillations of atoms (DEC)**
- **(Partly)bosonic neutrino and $2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay**
- **Conclusion and outlook**

Pauli proposes existence of "neutron" (with spin $\frac{1}{2}$ and mass not more than 0.01 mass of proton) in nucleus. β -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

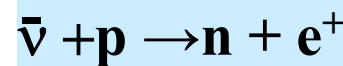
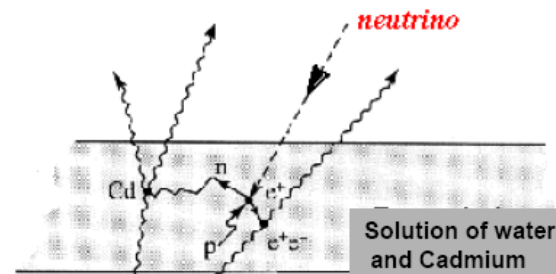
**Detector at Savannah River
Nuclear reactor (1956)**



3 events per hour

We are happy to inform you
(Pauli)
that we have definitely detected
 $\bar{\nu}$
Reines & Cowan

**4 December 1930
A letter to Tuebingen**



Reines: 1995 Nobel Prize

Signals due to:
i) e^+ annihilation,
ii) **n-capture**

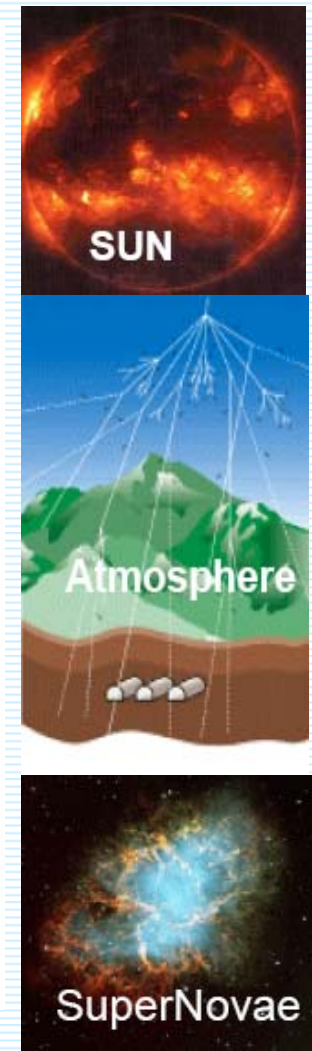
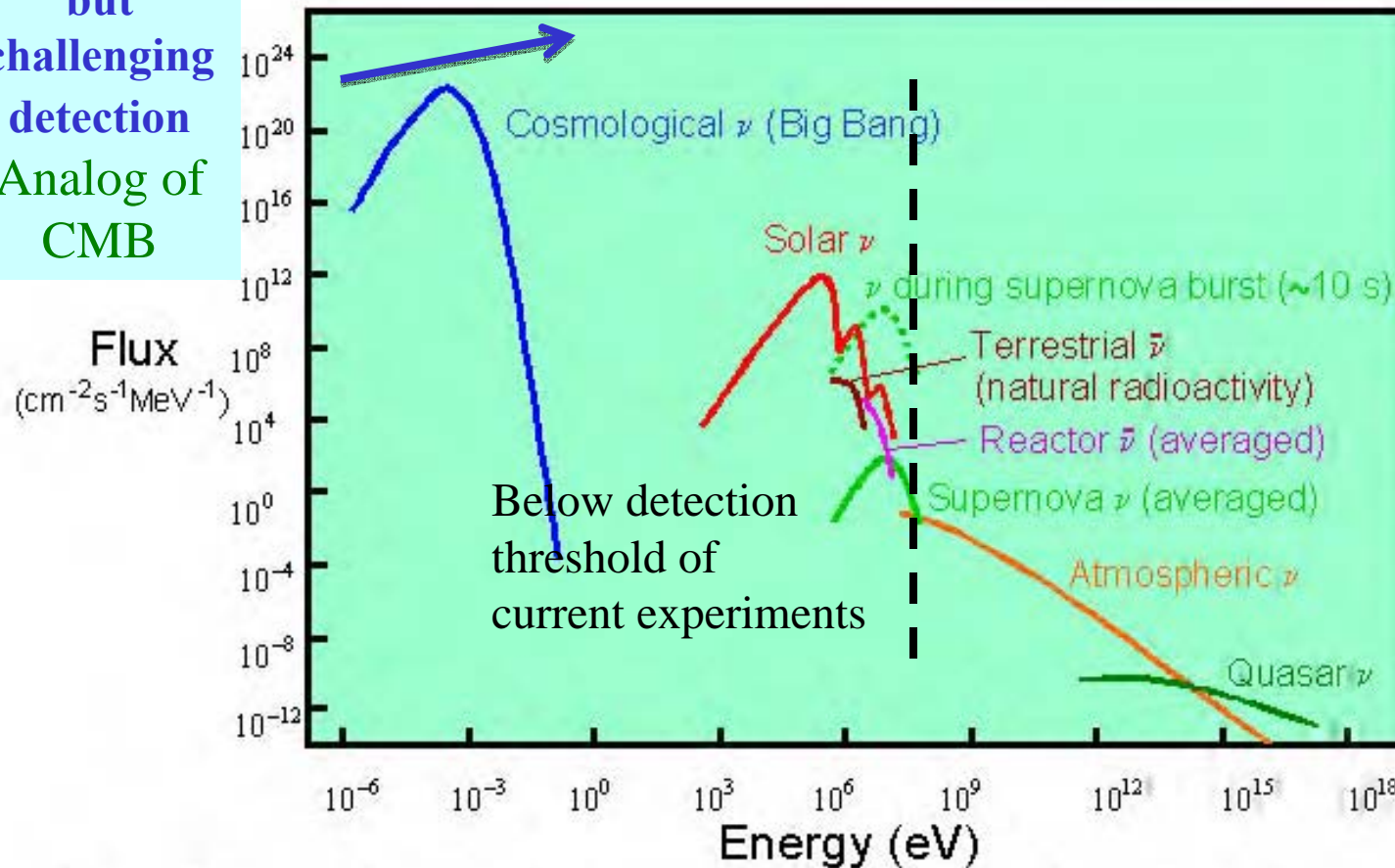
$$\sigma = (1.1 \pm 0.3) 10^{-43} \text{ cm}^2$$

**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 $6 \times 10^{10} \nu/\text{cm}^2\text{s}$

Abundant but challenging detection
Analog of CMB



Flux on Earth of neutrinos from different sources as a function of energy

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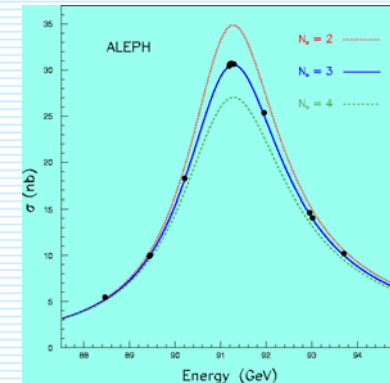
D. Vignaud and M. Spiro, Nucl. Phys.A 654 (1999) 350

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: ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ
- ν are massive: we know mass squared differences
- relation between flavor states and mass states (neutrino mixing) only partially known



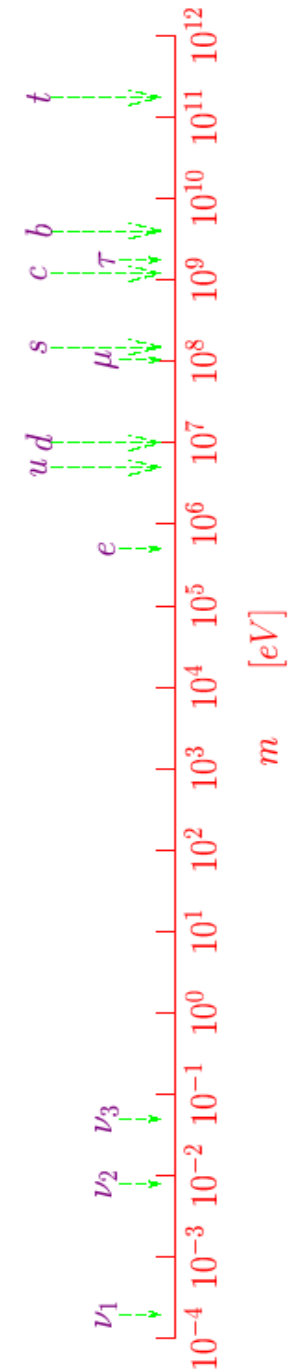
Claim for evidence of the $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

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

- Absolute ν mass scale from the $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay. (cosmology, ^3H , ^{187}Rh ?)
- ν 's are their own antiparticles – Majorana.

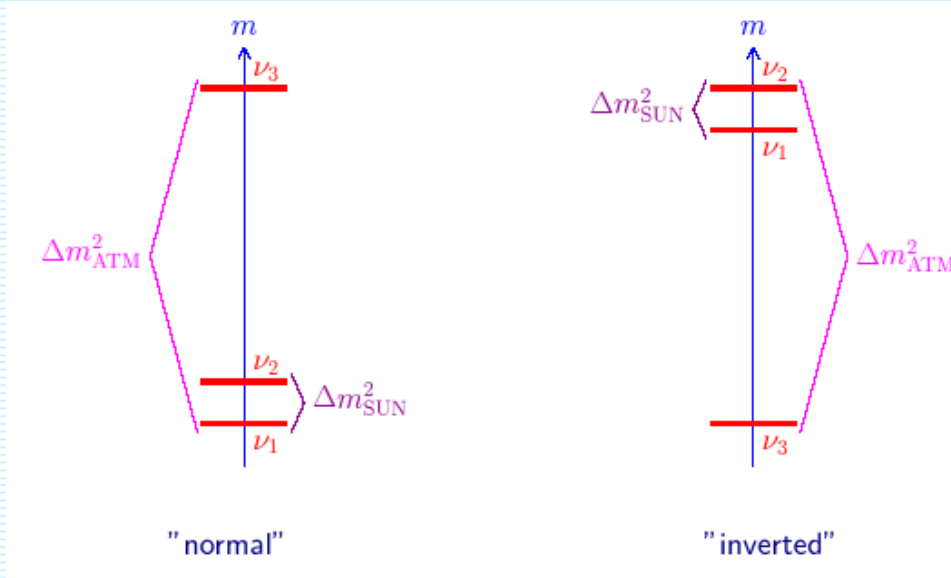
No answer yet

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



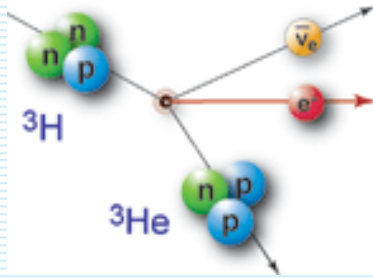
Absolute ν mass scale and β -decay of ${}^3\text{H}$ and ${}^{187}\text{Re}$

ν -oscillations



$$m_\beta = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2}$$

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



$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dT} = \frac{(\cos\theta_C G_F)^2}{2\pi^3} |\mathcal{M}|^2 F(E) p E (Q - T) \sqrt{(Q - T)^2 - m_{\nu_e}^2}$$



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

First measured by **Hanna** and **Pontecorvo** with estimation $m_{\nu} \sim 1 \text{ keV}$ [Phys. Rev. 75, 983 (1940)]

$$Q = M_{\text{H}} - M_{\text{He}} - m_e = 1858 \text{ keV}$$

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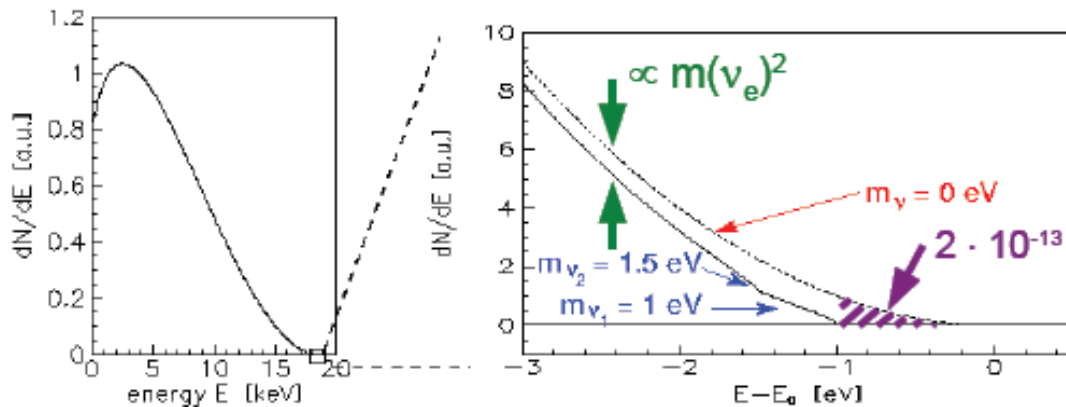
$$m_{\nu}^2 = -2.3 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.0 \text{ eV}^2$$

$$m_{\nu} \leq 2.2 \text{ eV (95\% CL.)}$$

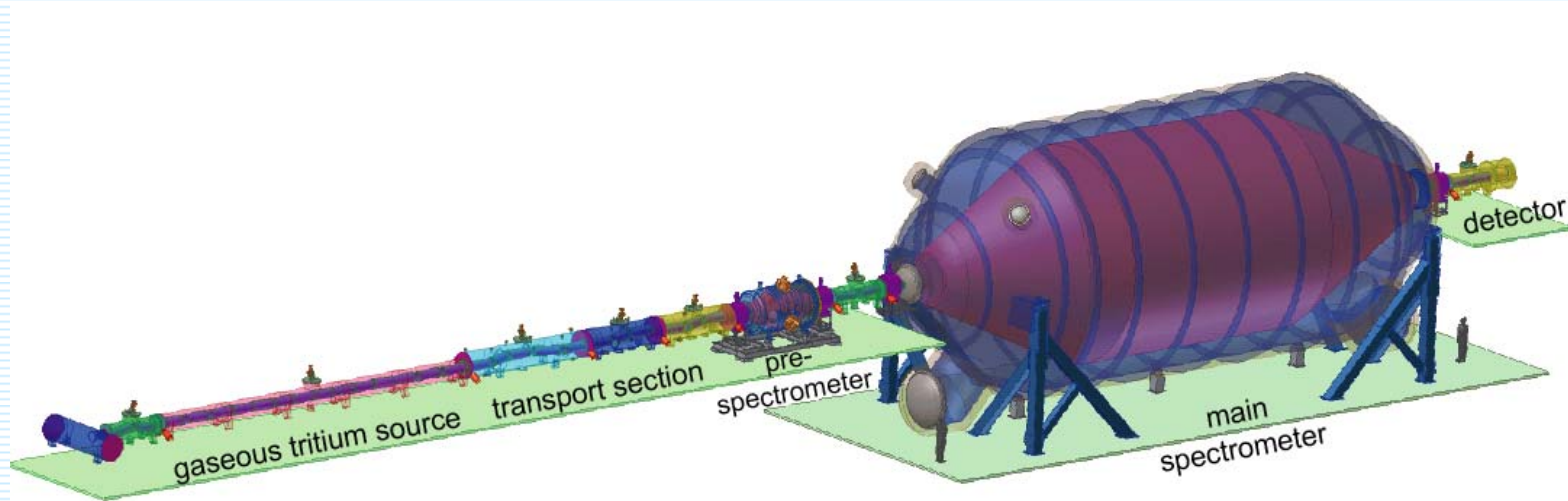
Mainz

$$m_{\nu}^2 = -1.2 \pm 2.2 \pm 2.1 \text{ eV}^2$$

$$m_{\nu} \leq 2.2 \text{ eV (95\% CL.)}$$



Karlsruhe TRItium Neutrino experiment (KATRIN)



**Evidence for neutrino mass signal
KATRIN discovery potential:**

$$m_{\beta} = 0.35 \text{ eV (} 5\sigma \text{)}$$

$$m_{\beta} = 0.30 \text{ eV (} 3\sigma \text{)}$$

**No neutrino mass signal
KATRIN sensitivity**

$$m_{\beta} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2} < 0.2 \text{ eV} \quad m_{\beta} \approx m_1$$

Standard approach

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

$$E_e^{\max} = M_i - M_f - m_\nu$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dT} = \frac{(\cos\theta_C G_F)^2}{2\pi^3} |\mathcal{M}|^2 F(E) p E (Q - T) \sqrt{(Q - T)^2 - m_\nu^2}$$

Relativistic EPT approach

- Analogy with n-decay
(${}^3\text{H}, {}^3\text{He}$) \leftrightarrow (n,p)
- nuclear recoil of 3.4 eV by E_e^{\max}
- relevant only phase space

$$E_e^{\max} = \frac{1}{2M_f} \left[M_i^2 + m_e^2 - (M_f^2 - m_\nu^2) \right]$$



Relativistic approach to ${}^3\text{H}$ decay

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

$$\begin{aligned} y &= E_e^{\max} - E_e \\ (m_{12})^2 &= M_i^2 - 2M_i E_e + m_e^2 \end{aligned}$$

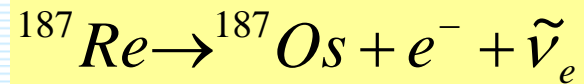
Numerics:

Practically the same dependence of Kurie function on m_ν for $E_e \approx E_e^{\max}$

for Simkovic

F.Š., R. Dvornický, A. Faessler,
PRC 77 (2008) 055502

Rhenium β -decay



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

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

MIBETA (AgReO₄, 10*(250-350) mg Milano/Como)
MANU (Re metallic crystals, 1.5 mg, Genova)

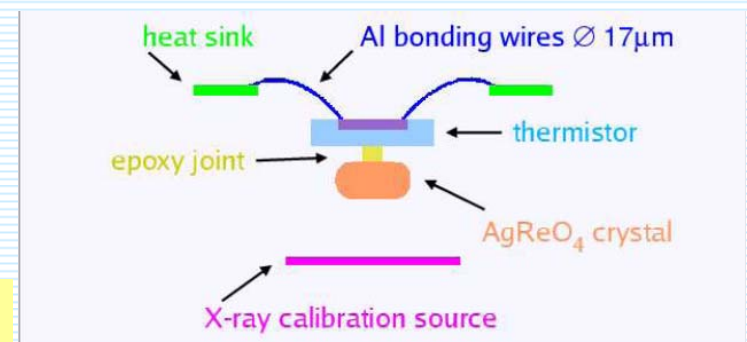
$m_\nu^2 = -141 \pm 211 \pm 90 \text{ eV}^2$
 $m_\nu = 15.6 \text{ eV (90\% c.l.)}$

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 $m_\nu = 0.2 \text{ eV}$

M.Sisti et al., NIMA 520 (2004) 125



Spectrum of emitted electrons in rhenium β -decay

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dE} = \frac{G_F^2 V_{ud}^2}{2\pi^3} |M|^2 p E (E_0 - E) \sqrt{(E_0 - E)^2 - m_\nu^2} \frac{1}{3} R^2 \left(p^2 F_1(Z, E) + k^2 F_0(Z, E) \right)$$

$$k = \sqrt{(E_0 - E)^2 - m_\nu^2}$$

Electron $p_{3/2}$ decay channel clearly dominates

$$\Gamma_S / \Gamma_P = 1.011 \times 10^{-4}$$

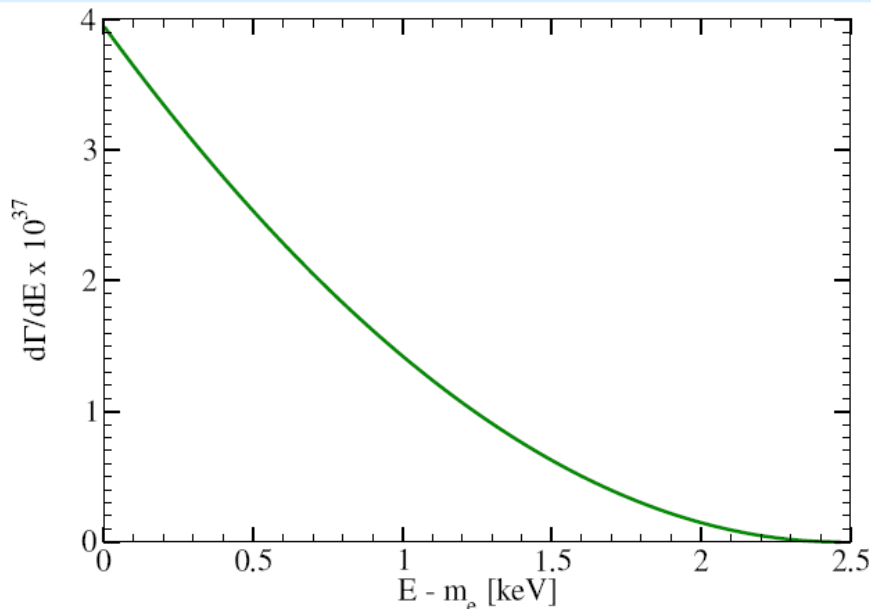
In agreement with Arnaboldi et al.: PRL 96, 042503 (2006)

Electron in the $p_{3/2}$ state

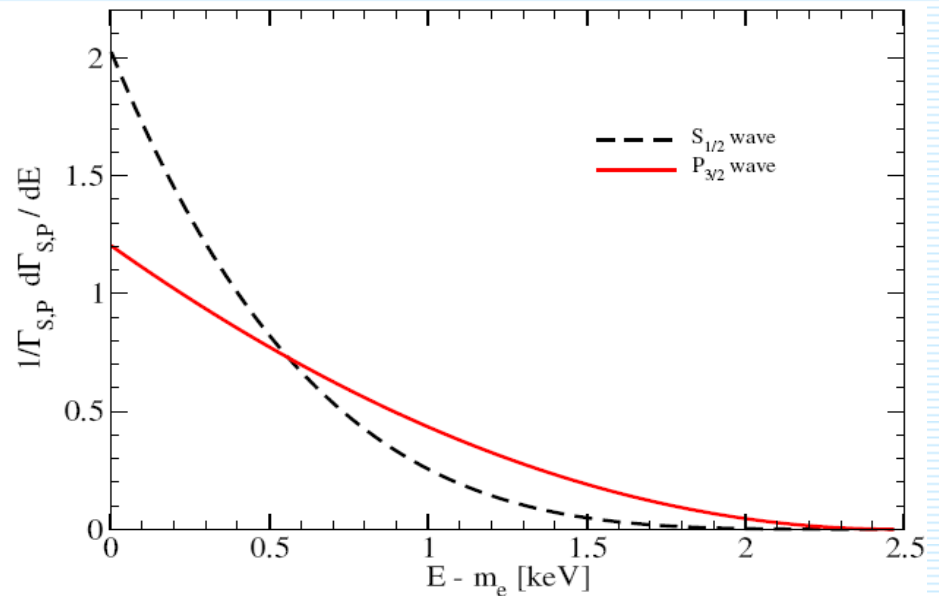
$$p^{\max} \cong 50 \text{ keV}$$

Electron in the $s_{1/2}$ state

$$k^{\max} = 2.47 \text{ keV}$$



or



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

Rhenium

$$B_{\text{Re}} = \frac{G_F V_{ud}}{\sqrt{2\pi^3}} \frac{g_A}{\sqrt{2J_i + 1}} \left| \langle {}^{187}\text{Os} \parallel \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} \sum_n \tau_n^+ \frac{r_n}{R} \{ \sigma_1 \otimes Y_1 \}_2 \parallel {}^{187}\text{Re} \rangle \right|$$

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

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

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

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

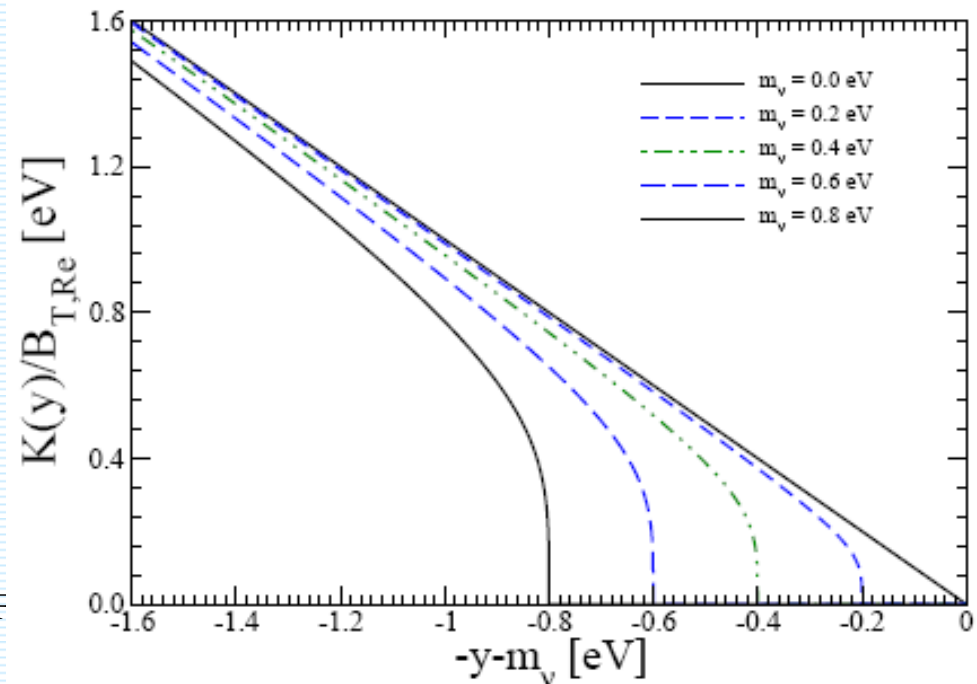
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Tritium

$$B_{\text{T}} = \frac{G_F V_{ud}}{\sqrt{2\pi^3}} \sqrt{g_V^2 + 3g_A^2}$$

$$K(y) / B_{\text{T}} = \left(\sqrt{y(y + 2m_\nu)} (y + m_\nu) \right)^{1/2}$$

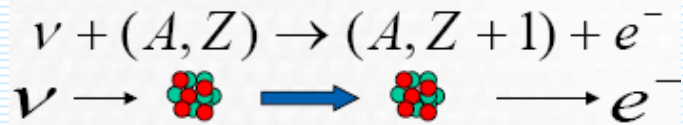
$$y = E_e^{\text{max}} - E_e$$



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Relic neutrinos

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



The density of relic ν : $\langle \eta \rangle = 56 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

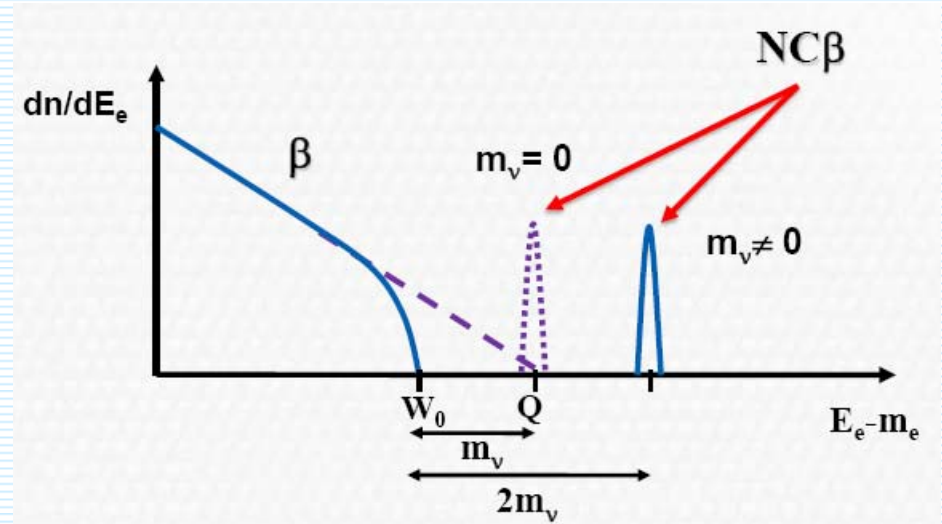
Temperature

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

$$\rightarrow T_\nu^0 = (2.725 \pm 0.001) K = (2.348 \pm 0.001) \times 10^{-4} eV$$

Mean momentum

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



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 potential wells of the latter – and are clustered today
- Massive neutrinos, $m_\nu \sim 1 \text{ eV}$, will be gravitationally clustered on the scale of $\sim \text{Mpc}$ ($\sim 3 \times 10^{19} \text{ km}$), that is on the scale of galaxy clusters
- Overdensities of the order of $10^3 - 10^4$

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

Detection of relic neutrinos by KATRIN experiment



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

$$\Gamma^\nu({}^3\text{H}) = \frac{1}{\pi} G_\beta^2 F_0(2,p) p p_0 \left(|M_F|^2 + g_A^2 |M_{GT}|^2 \right) \frac{\eta_\nu}{\langle \eta_\nu \rangle} < \eta_\nu >$$

$$\Gamma^\nu({}^3\text{H}) = 4.2 \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ y}^{-1}$$

Ratio of capture and decay rates

$$T_{1/2} = 12.32 \text{ y} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\Gamma^\nu({}^3\text{H})}{\Gamma^\beta({}^3\text{H})} = 7.5 \cdot 10^{-24}$$

A. G. Cocco, G. Mangano, M. Messina
 $6.6 \cdot 10^{-24}$

KATRIN will use $\sim 50 \mu\text{g}$ of ${}^3\text{H}$

$$N_{\text{capt}}^\nu(\text{KATRIN}) \approx 4.2 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{\eta_\nu}{\langle \eta_\nu \rangle} \text{ y}^{-1}$$

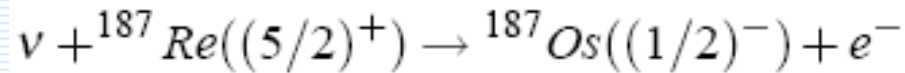
Even considering effect of clustering of ν , $\eta_\nu / \langle \eta_\nu \rangle \sim 10^3 - 10^4$:

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$$N_{\text{capt}}^\nu(\text{KATRIN}) < 1 \text{ y}^{-1}$$

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Detection of relic neutrinos by MARE experiment



The capture rate

$$\Gamma^\nu({}^{187}\text{Re}) = \frac{1}{\pi} G_\beta F_1(76, p) \frac{1}{3} (p R)^2 \mathcal{B} p p_0 \frac{\eta_\nu}{\langle \eta_\nu \rangle} \langle \eta_\nu \rangle$$

The strength

$$\mathcal{B} = \frac{g_A^2}{6} \left| \langle {}^{187}\text{Os}(1/2^-) \parallel \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} \sum_n \tau_n^+ \frac{r_n}{R} \{ \sigma_n \otimes Y_1(\Omega_{r_n}) \}_2 \parallel {}^{187}\text{Re}(5/2^+) \rangle \right|^2$$

$$T_{1/2} = 4.35 \times 10^{10} \text{ y} \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathcal{B} = 3.57 \times 10^{-4} \quad \Gamma^\nu({}^{187}\text{Re}) = 2.75 \cdot 10^{-32} \text{ y}^{-1}$$

Ratio of capture and decay rates

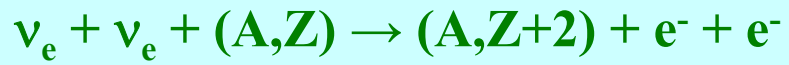
$$\frac{\Gamma^\nu({}^{187}\text{Re})}{\Gamma^\beta({}^{187}\text{Re})} = 1.7 \cdot 10^{-21}$$

MARE: 760 g of AgReO_4 bolometers \Rightarrow

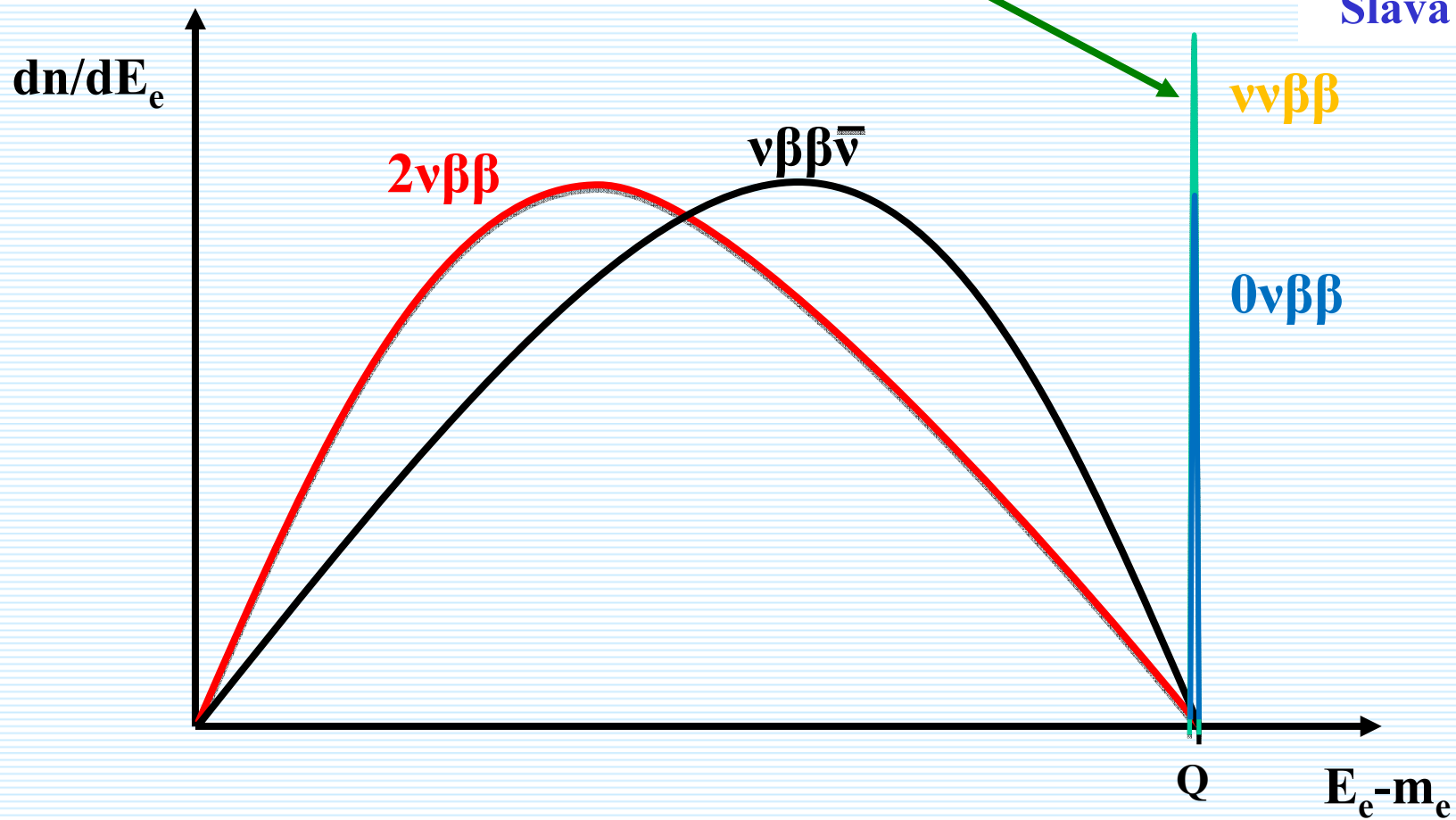
200 larger as for ${}^3\text{H}$

$$N_{\text{capt}}^\nu(\text{MARE}) \simeq 7.6 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\eta_\nu}{\langle \eta_\nu \rangle} \text{ y}^{-1} \quad \text{or } 50 \text{ smaller as for } {}^3\text{H}$$

Double capture of relic neutrinos by DBD experiment



A question of
Slava Egorov ...



What is the nature of neutrinos?



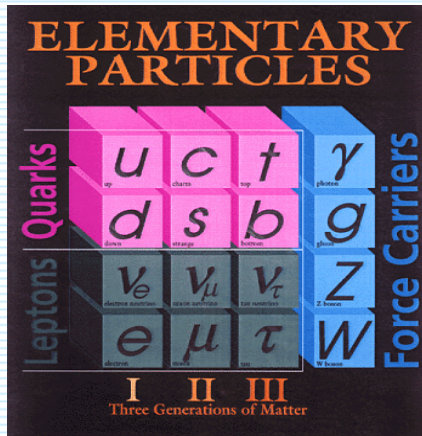
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GUT's



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



Standard Model

Lepton Universality

Particle	Symbol	Anti - p.	mass [MeV]	L_e	L_μ	L_τ	life - time [s]
electron	e^-	e^+	0.511	1	0	0	stable
el. neutrino	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_e$	$< 2.2 \cdot 10^{-6}$	1	0	0	stable
muon	μ^-	μ^+	105.6	0	1	0	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-6}$
muon neutr.	ν_μ	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	< 0.19	0	1	0	stable
tau	τ^-	τ^+	1777.	0	0	1	$2.9 \cdot 10^{-13}$
tau neutrino	ν_τ	$\bar{\nu}_\tau$	< 18.2	0	0	1	stable

Lepton Family Number Violation

NEW PHYSICS massive neutrinos, SUSY...

Total Lepton Number Violation

$\nu_{e,\mu,\tau} \leftrightarrow \nu_{e,\mu,\tau}$, $\bar{\nu}_{e,\mu,\tau} \leftrightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e,\mu,\tau}$	observed	$\nu_{e,\mu,\tau} \leftrightarrow \bar{\nu}_{e,\mu,\tau}$	not observed
$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \gamma$	$R \leq 1.2 \times 10^{-11}$	$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^- + e^+ + \mu^+$	$R \leq 5 \times 10^{-10}$
$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + e^- + e^+$	$R \leq 1.0 \times 10^{-12}$	$\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- + \pi^+ + e^+$	$R \leq 1.9 \times 10^{-6}$
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ + e^- + \mu^+$	$R \leq 4.7 \times 10^{-12}$	$W^- + W^- \rightarrow e^- + e^-$	
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- + \mu^+ + \mu^-$	$R \leq 1.8 \times 10^{-6}$	$(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 2) + e^- + e^-$	$T^{0\nu} \geq 1.9 \times 10^{-25}$
$Z^0 \rightarrow e^\pm + \mu^\mp$	$R \leq 1.7 \times 10^{-6}$	$\mu_b^- + (A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z - 2) + e^+$	$R \leq 3.6 \times 10^{-11}$
$\mu_b^- + (A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z) + e^-$	$R \leq 1.2 \times 10^{-11}$	$e^- + e^- \rightarrow \pi^- + \pi^-$?

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ν oscillations proposed by **Bruno Pontecorvo in Dubna in 1957**

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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.




$$\frac{1}{T_{1/2}} = G^{0\nu}(E_0, Z) |M^{'0\nu}|^2 |\langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle|^2,$$

$$m_{\beta\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{ei}^2 m_i$$

Absolute ν mass scale

Normal or inverted Hierarchy of ν masses

CP-violating phases

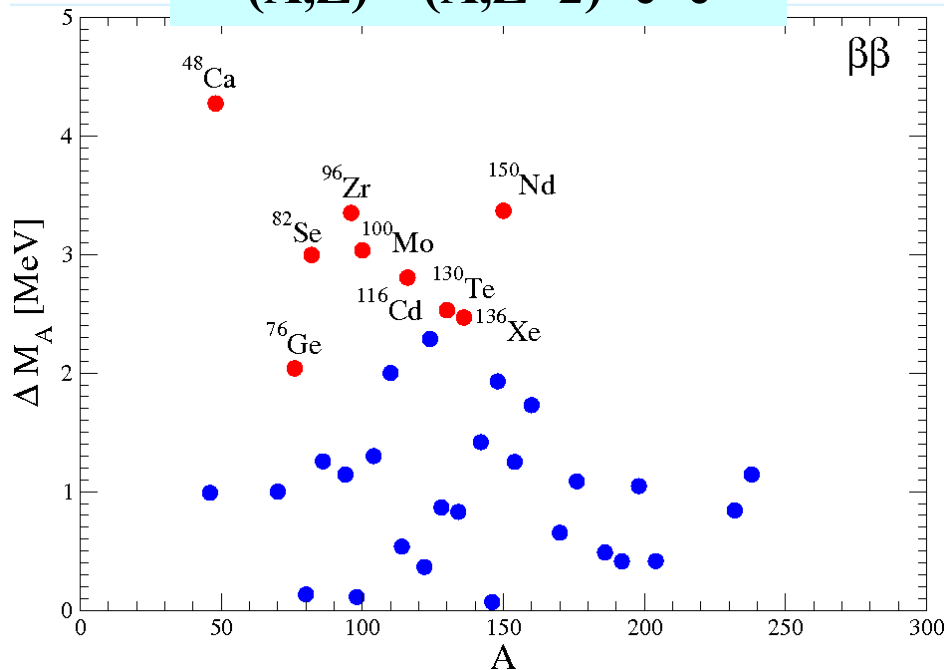
$$U_{PMNS} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{13}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda_{21}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\lambda_{31}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{13}} \\ -s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}e^{i\delta_{13}} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}e^{i\delta_{13}} & -c_{12}s_{23} - s_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{13}} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda_{21}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\lambda_{31}} \end{pmatrix}$$

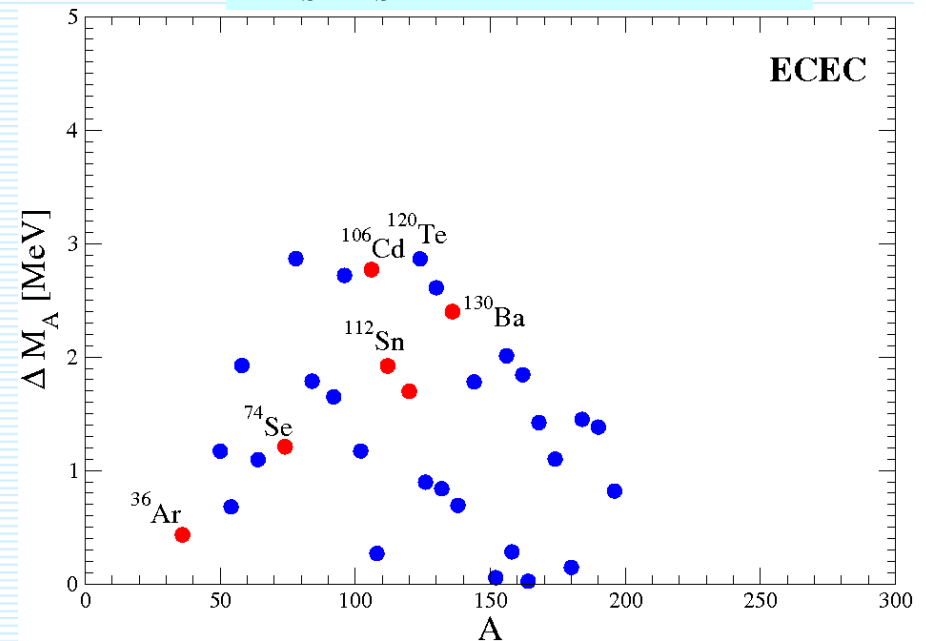
An accurate knowledge of the nuclear matrix elements, which is not available at present, is however a pre-requisite for exploring neutrino properties.

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

Emission of two electrons
 $(A,Z) \rightarrow (A,Z+2) + e + e$



Double electron capture
 $e_b + e_b + (A,Z) \rightarrow (A,Z)^*$



Preferable nuclear systems
 with large ΔM_A (E^5)

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Nuclear systems with small ΔM_A 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 $0\nu\beta\beta$ -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.

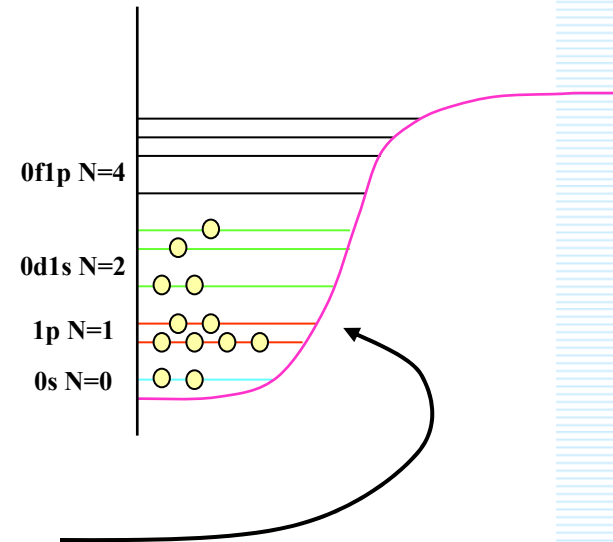
Many-body Hamiltonian

- Start with the many-body Hamiltonian

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

- Introduce a mean-field U to yield basis

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



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**

Two complementary procedures are commonly used:

- **Nuclear shell model (NSM)**
- **Quasiparticle Random Phase Approximation (QRPA)**

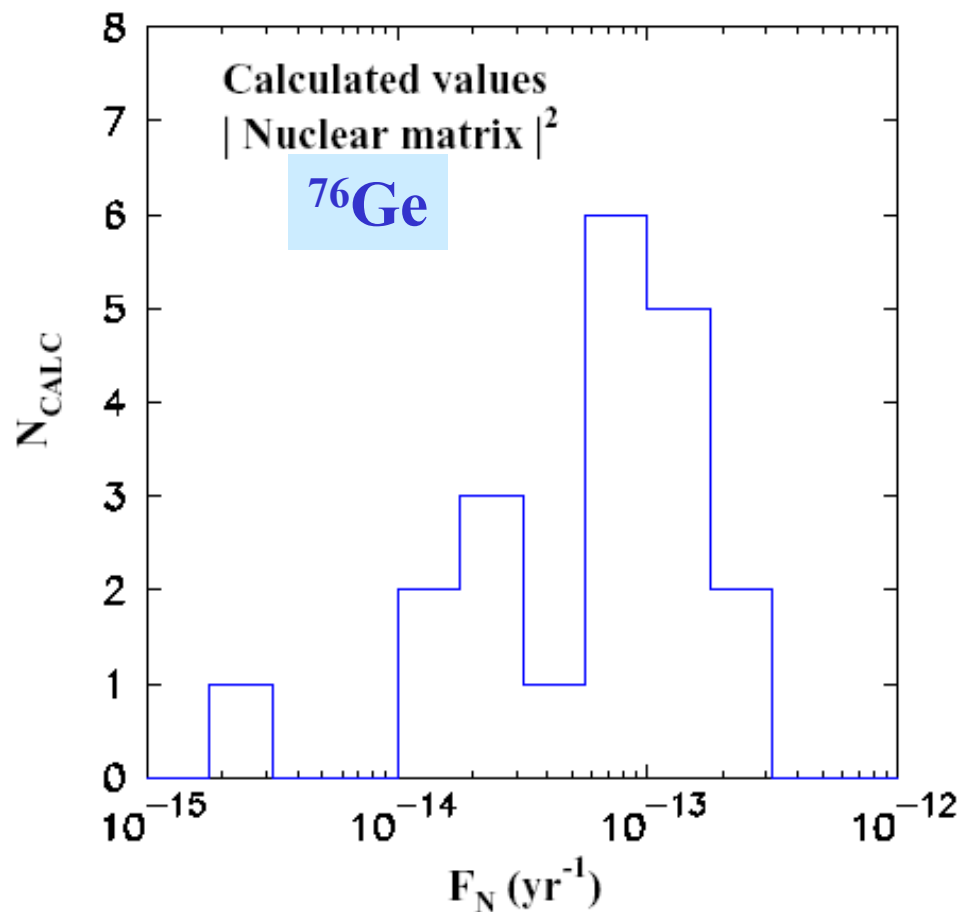
*In **NSM** a limited valence space is used but all configurations of valence nucleons are included. Describes well properties of low-lying nuclear states. Technically difficult, thus only few $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay calculations*

*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 $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay calculations*

Differences:

- mean field
- residual interaction
- size of the model space
- many-body approximation

A simple view on the problem of the NMEs (2004)

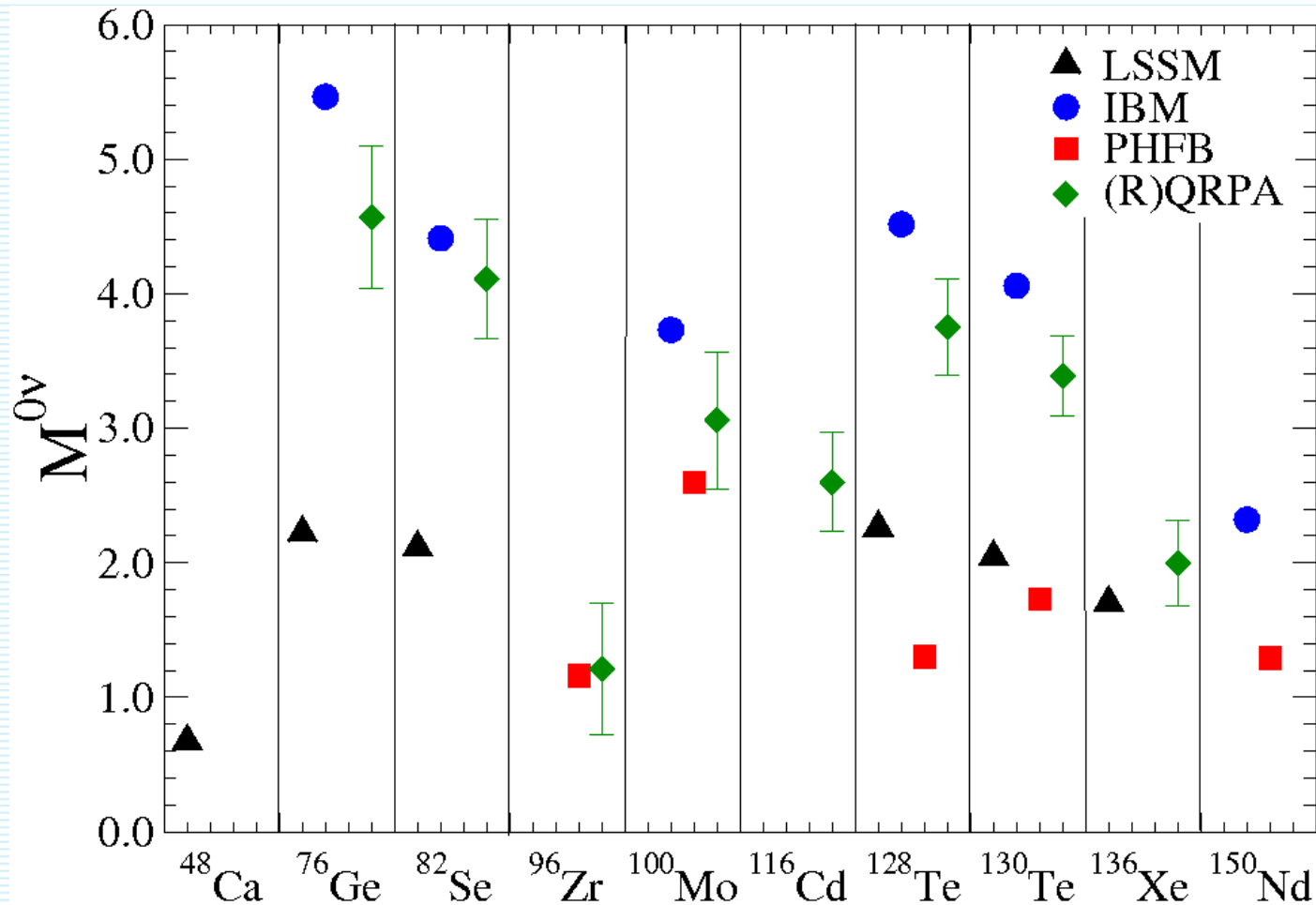


This suggest an uncertainty
of NME as much as **factor 5 !!**

Uncertainties in $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NME?

Is it really
so bad?!

The $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NMEs (Status:2009)



Nobody is perfect:

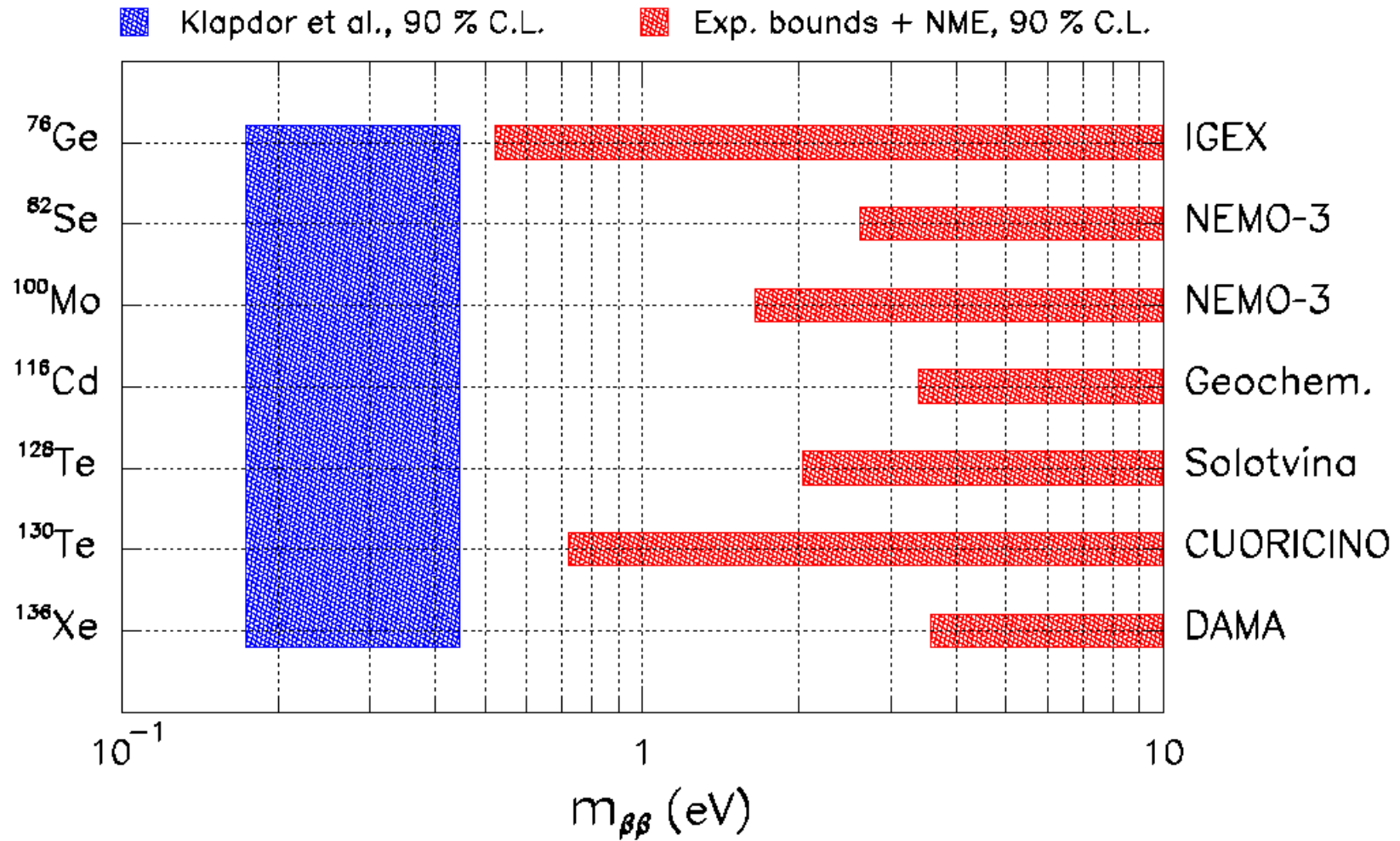
LSSM (small m.s., negative parity states)

PHFB (GT force neglected)

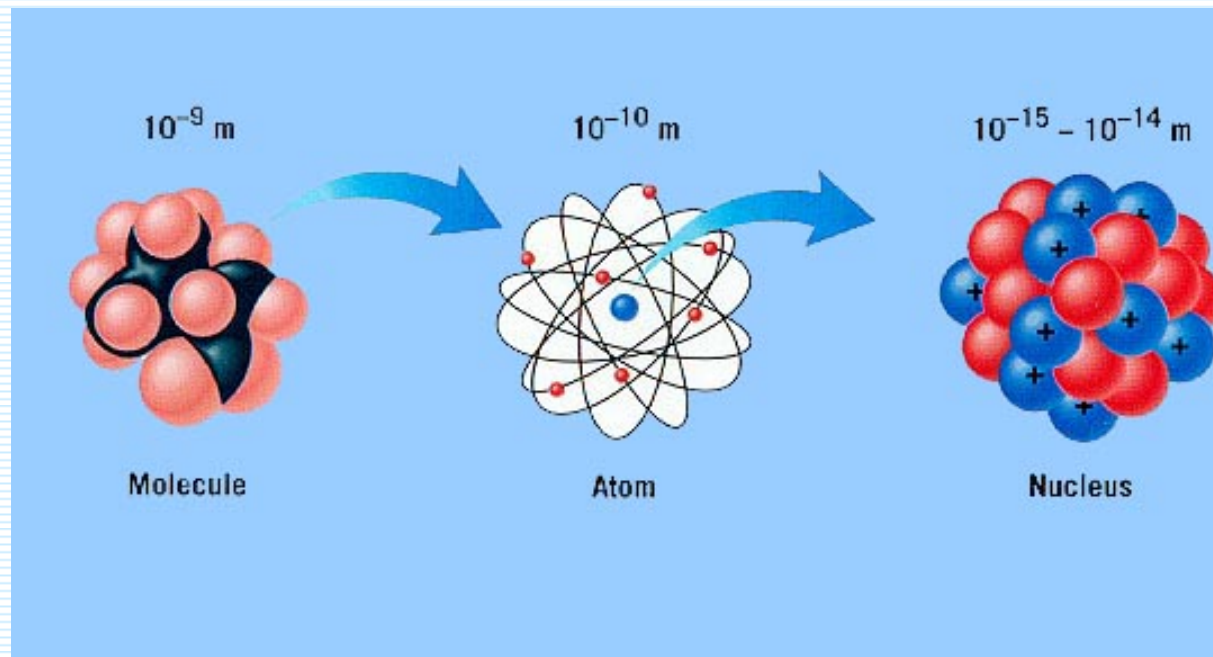
IBM (Hamiltonian truncated)

(R)QRPA (g.s. correlations not accurate enough)

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



Neutrinoless Double Electron Capture

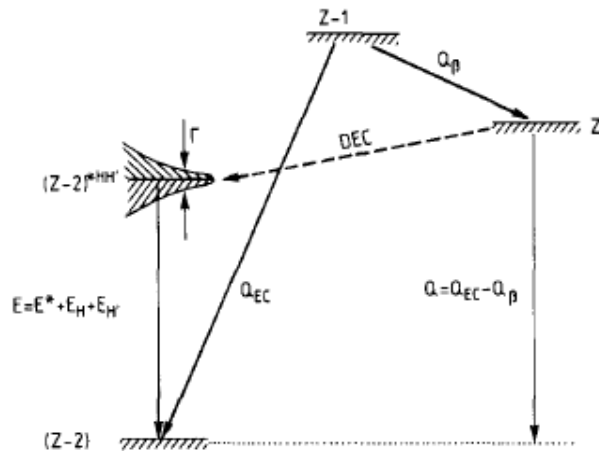


Neutrinoless double electron capture (resonance transitions)

$$(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z-2)^{*HH'}$$

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]



Atom mixing amplitude

$$\Delta M$$

$$E \simeq E^* + E_H + E_{H'},$$

$$\Gamma \simeq \Gamma^* + \Gamma_H + \Gamma_{H'}.$$

Decay rate

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

2νECEC-background
depends strongly
on Q-value

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)
${}^{74}_{34}\text{Se} \rightarrow {}^{74}_{32}\text{Ge}$	0.87	1.204 (2^+)	2S(P), 2S(P)	2 ± 3
${}^{78}_{36}\text{Kr} \rightarrow {}^{78}_{34}\text{Se}$	0.36	2.839 (2^+) 2.864 (?)	1S, 1S	${}^{19}_{-6} \pm 10$
${}^{102}_{46}\text{Pd} \rightarrow {}^{102}_{44}\text{Ru}$	1	1.103 (2^+) 1.107 (4^+)	1S, 1S	${}^{29}_{25} \pm 9$
${}^{106}_{48}\text{Cd} \rightarrow {}^{106}_{46}\text{Pd}$	1.25	2.741 (?)	1S, 1S	-8 ± 10
${}^{112}_{50}\text{Sn} \rightarrow {}^{112}_{48}\text{Cd}$	1.01	1.871 (0^+)	1S, 1S	-3 ± 10
${}^{130}_{56}\text{Ba} \rightarrow {}^{130}_{54}\text{Xe}$	0.11	2.502 (?) 2.544 (?)	1S, 1S 1S, 2S(P)	${}^8_{-6} \pm 13$
${}^{152}_{64}\text{Gd} \rightarrow {}^{152}_{62}\text{Sm}$	0.20	0 (0^+)	1S, 2S	4 ± 4
${}^{162}_{68}\text{Er} \rightarrow {}^{162}_{66}\text{Dy}$	0.14	1.783 (2^+)	1S, 2S	1 ± 6
${}^{164}_{68}\text{Er} \rightarrow {}^{164}_{66}\text{Dy}$	1.56	0 (0^+)	2S, 2S	9 ± 5
${}^{168}_{70}\text{Yb} \rightarrow {}^{168}_{68}\text{Er}$	0.14	1.355 (1^-) 1.393 (?)	1S, 2S 2S, 2S	${}^{-1}_8 \pm 4$
${}^{180}_{74}\text{W} \rightarrow {}^{180}_{72}\text{Hf}$	0.13	0 (0^+) 0.093 (2^+)	1S, 1S 1S, 3S	${}^{26}_{-4} \pm 17$
${}^{196}_{80}\text{Hg} \rightarrow {}^{180}_{78}\text{Pt}$	0.15	0.689 (2^+)	1S, 2S	26 ± 9

Different types of Oscillations (Effective Hamiltonian)

$$H_{eff}^{K_0\bar{K}_0} = \begin{pmatrix} M - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma & M_{12} - \Gamma_{12} \\ M_{12}^* - \Gamma_{12}^* & M - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

Oscillations of $\nu_1-\nu_1$,
(lepton flavor)

Oscillation of K_0 -anti $\{K_0\}$
(strangeness)

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

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

$$H_{eff}^{atom} = \begin{pmatrix} M_i & V^{LNV} \\ V^{LNV} & M_f - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

Oscillation of Atoms (OoA)
(total lepton number)

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

Eigenvalues

$$\lambda_+ = M_i + \Delta M - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_1,$$

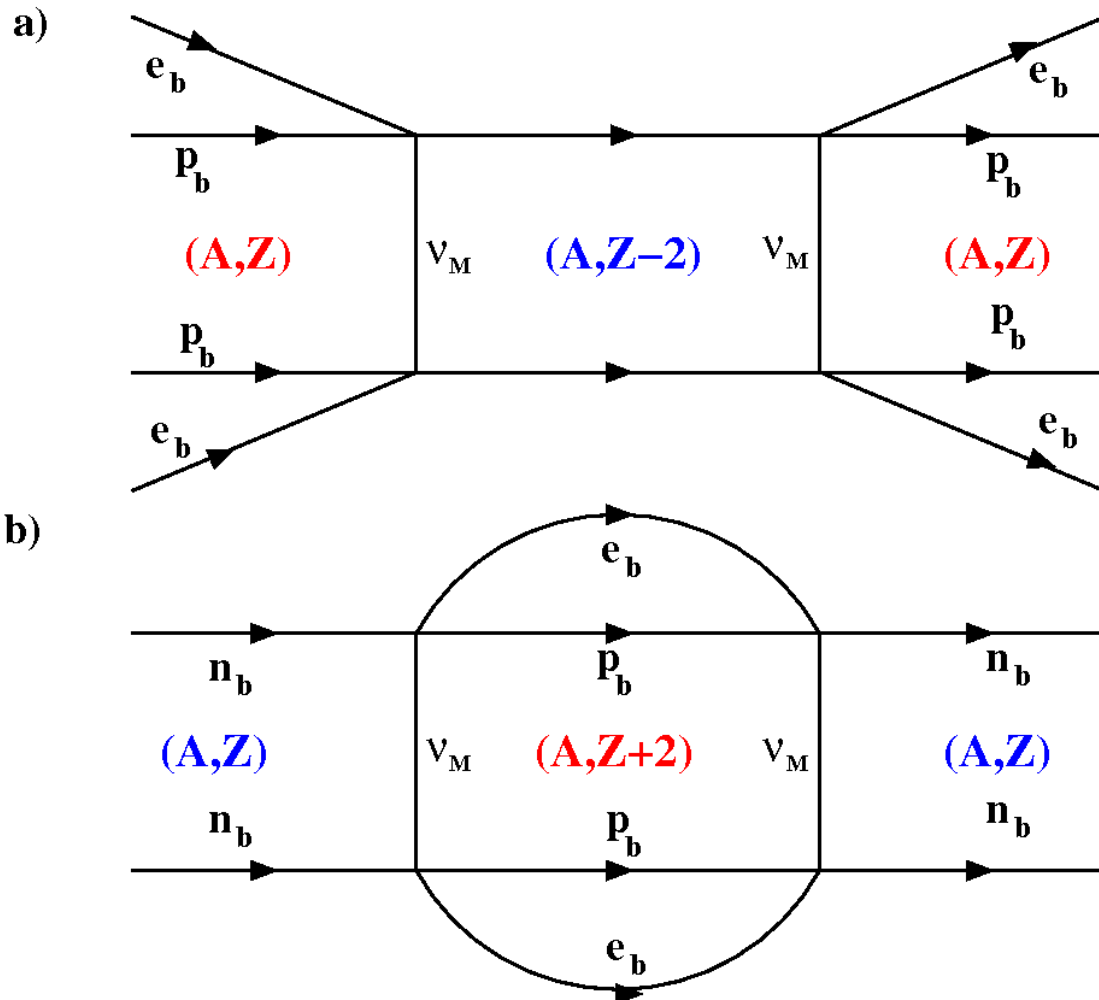
$$\lambda_- = M_f - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma - \Delta M + \frac{i}{2}\Gamma_1$$

Fedor

Full width of unstable atom/nucleus

$$\Delta M = \frac{V^2(M_i - M_f)}{(M_i - M_f)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^2},$$

$$\Gamma_1 = \frac{V^2\Gamma}{(M_i - M_f)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^2}.$$



**Mixing of neutral atoms
and total
lepton number oscillation**

$$n + n \leftrightarrow p + p + e_b^- + e_b^-$$

$$(A, Z) \leftrightarrow (A, Z + 2)^{**}$$

$$(A, Z) \leftrightarrow (A, Z - 2)^{**}$$

LNV Potential

$$V^{LNV} \simeq m_{\beta\beta} G_F^2 \left\langle \frac{1}{4\pi r_a} \right\rangle \Psi_1(0)\Psi_2(0)$$

$$V^{LNV} \sim 10^{-24} \text{ eV}$$

$$m_\nu = 0.5 \text{ eV}, \quad Z = 30, \quad n_i = 1, \quad l_i = 0$$

Oscillations of stable atoms ($\Gamma=0$)

$$|\langle f | e^{-iH_{eff}t} | i \rangle|^2 = \frac{4V^2}{(M_i - M_f)^2} \sin^2 [t (M_i - M_f)/2]$$

$$[t (M_i - M_f)] \leq 1 \quad |\langle f | e^{-iH_{eff}t} | i \rangle|^2 = V^2 t^2$$

$$[t (M_i - M_f)] \geq 1 \quad |\langle f | e^{-iH_{eff}t} | i \rangle|^2 \approx \frac{V^2}{(M_i - M_f)^2}$$

${}^{164}_{68}Er \rightarrow {}^{164}_{66}Dy$
 $(M_i - M_f) = 24.1 \text{ keV} \quad |\langle f | e^{-iH_{eff}t} | i \rangle|^2 \leq 3 \cdot 10^{-55}$

Double electron capture ($\Gamma \neq 0$) (resonant enhancement of atom)

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &= 4 \times 10^{-7} Z^4 \text{ eV} \\ &= 0.3 \text{ eV} \quad (Z = 30) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{max} &= \frac{1 \text{ ton}}{M_i} \times \frac{4V^2}{\Gamma} \\ &\sim 10^4 \text{ yr}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Mass difference $\gg \Gamma$

$$\Gamma_1 = \frac{4V^2}{4(M_i - M_f)^2 + \Gamma^2} \Gamma$$

$$R \sim R_{max} \frac{\Gamma^2}{(M_i - M_f)^2} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

Mass difference $\sim \text{keV}$

Double electron capture



Relativistic electron w.f. ($j=1/2, l=0, l'=1$)

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

Potential

$$V^{1s_{1/2}1s_{1/2}}(0_3^+) = \frac{1}{4\pi} m_e (G_\beta^2 m_e^4) \frac{m_{\beta\beta}}{m_e} \frac{1}{R m_e} \frac{(\bar{f}_{1s_{1/2}})^2}{4\pi m_e^3} g_A^2 M^{0\nu}(0_3^+).$$

0.022

Width

$$\Gamma^{ECEC} = \frac{|V^{1s_{1/2}1s_{1/2}}(0_3^+)|^2}{(M_i - M_f)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_X^2}{4}} \Gamma_X$$

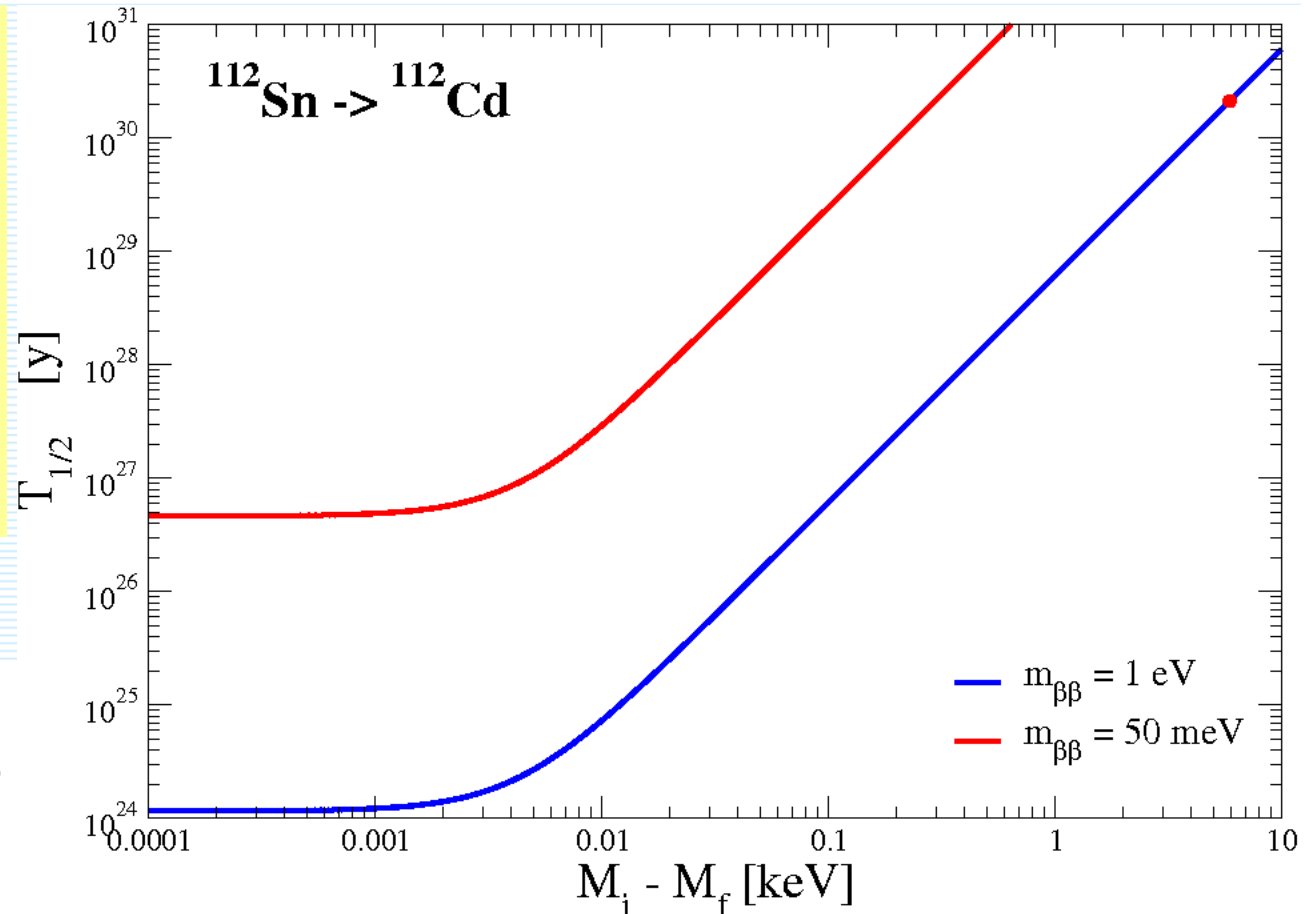
Matrix element

Exc. state	E_{ex} (MeV)	$M^{0\nu}$
0_3^+	0	2.69
0_1^+ (1 ph.)	1.224	3.02
0_2^+ (2 ph.)	1.433	0.90
0_3^+ (1 ph.)	1.224	2.78

Double electron capture of ^{112}Sn (perspectives of search)

F. Šimkovic, M. Krivoruchenko, A. Faessler, to be submitted

$M_i - M_f$	$T_{1/2}^{\text{ECEC}}$ ($m_{\beta\beta} = 50 \text{ meV}$)
1 keV	$2.44 \cdot 10^{31}$ years
100 eV	$2.45 \cdot 10^{29}$ years
10 eV	$2.91 \cdot 10^{27}$ years
0 eV	$4.67 \cdot 10^{26}$ years



No $2\nu\text{ECEC}$ background!

$$T_{2\nu\text{ECEC}} = 1.7 \cdot 10^{22} \text{ y } (0^+_{\text{g.s.}})$$

$$7.4 \cdot 10^{24} \text{ y } (0^+_1)$$

$$5.4 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ y } (0^+_3)$$

Domin, Kovalenko, F. Š., Semenov,
NPA 753, 337 (2005)

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} (^{76}\text{Ge}) = (2.95 - 5.74) \cdot 10^{26} \text{ years for } m_{\beta\beta} = 50 \text{ meV}$$

$J^\pi=0^+$ **Calculated double electron capture half-lives ($m_{\beta\beta} = 1$ eV)**

Transition	$M_{A,Z-2}^* - M_{A,Z-2}$	$M_{A,Z-2}^{**} - M_{A,Z}$	Holes	$T_{1/2}^{\min}$	$T_{1/2}$
$^{112}_{50}\text{Sn} \rightarrow ^{112}_{48}\text{Cd}^*$	1871 ± 0.2	$-5.9 \pm 4.2 \pm 2.7$	$1s_{1/2} 1s_{1/2}$	2×10^{24}	8×10^{30}
$^{152}_{64}\text{Gd} \rightarrow ^{152}_{62}\text{Sm}$	0	$-0.3 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	$1s_{1/2} 2s_{1/2}$	5×10^{24}	9×10^{29}
	0	$5.9 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	$1s_{1/2} 3s_{1/2}$	4×10^{25}	8×10^{29}
	0	$7.4 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	$1s_{1/2} 4s_{1/2}$	8×10^{26}	10^{33}
$^{148}_{64}\text{Gd} \rightarrow ^{148}_{62}\text{Sm}^*$	3045 ± 2	$5.7 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	$2s_{1/2} 2s_{1/2}$	8×10^{25}	3×10^{32}
	3045 ± 2	$11.8 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	$2s_{1/2} 3s_{1/2}$	3×10^{26}	8×10^{33}
	3045 ± 2	$13.3 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	$2s_{1/2} 4s_{1/2}$	4×10^{27}	2×10^{35}
	3045 ± 2	$6.6 \pm 2.5 \pm 2.5$	$2p_{1/2} 2p_{1/2}$	2×10^{29}	2×10^{36}
$^{156}_{66}\text{Dy} \rightarrow ^{156}_{64}\text{Gd}^*$	1988.5 ± 0.2	$7.0 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.5$	$2s_{1/2} 2s_{1/2}$	2×10^{27}	8×10^{31}
	1988.5 ± 0.2	$7.9 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.5$	$2p_{1/2} 2p_{1/2}$	8×10^{29}	4×10^{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	$T_{1/2}^{\min}$	$T_{1/2}$
$^{162}_{68}\text{Er} \rightarrow ^{162}_{66}\text{Dy}^*$	1^+	1745.716 ± 0.007	$-10.1 \pm 3.5 \pm 2.5$	$1s_{1/2} 1s_{1/2}$	8×10^{23}	2×10^{29}
$^{156}_{66}\text{Dy} \rightarrow ^{156}_{64}\text{Gd}^*$	1^+	1965.950 ± 0.004	$-12.5 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.5$	$1s_{1/2} 2s_{1/2}$	10^{25}	3×10^{30}
	1^+	1965.950 ± 0.004	$-5.8 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.5$	$1s_{1/2} 3s_{1/2}$	2×10^{26}	2×10^{31}
	1^-	1946.375 ± 0.006	$8.4 \pm 6.6 \pm 2.5$	$1s_{1/2} 2s_{1/2}$	8×10^{26}	4×10^{31}
$^{74}_{34}\text{Se} \rightarrow ^{74}_{32}\text{Ge}^*$	2^+	1204.204 ± 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

$0^+ \rightarrow 2^+$ strongly suppressed,
 $p_{3/2}$ -electron needed (squared R/a_B-factor)

Q-value measurements
Klaus Blaum “LAUNCH09 (Nov. 09)”

$\beta\beta$ Accuracy below 300 eV is not a problem

Decay	Q-value	Precision
$^{76}\text{Ge} - ^{76}\text{Se}$	2039.006(50) G. Douysset et al., PRL 86, 4259 (2001)	6E-10
$^{130}\text{Te} - ^{130}\text{Xe}$	2527.518(13) M. Redshaw et al., PRL 102, 212502 (2009)	1E-10
$^{136}\text{Xe} - ^{136}\text{Ba}$	2457.83(37) M. Redshaw et al., PRL 98, 053003 (2007)	3E-09
ECEC		
$^{112}\text{Sm} - ^{112}\text{Cd}$	1919.82(16) S. Rahaman et al., PRL 103, 042501 (2009)	1E-09
$^{120}\text{Te} - ^{120}\text{Sm}$	1714.81(1.25) N. Scielzo et al., PRC 80, 025501 (2009)	1E-08

Is it possible to manipulate atomic mass difference?

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

**$2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay
and
statistical properties of ν**

Mixed statistics for neutrinos

Definnition of mixed state

$$\begin{aligned} |\nu\rangle &= \hat{a}^\dagger |0\rangle \\ &\equiv \cos\delta \hat{f}^\dagger |0\rangle + \sin\delta \hat{b}^\dagger |0\rangle \\ &= \cos\delta |f\rangle + \sin\delta |b\rangle \end{aligned}$$

with commutation Relations

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}\hat{b} &= e^{i\phi}\hat{b}\hat{f} & \hat{f}^\dagger\hat{b}^\dagger &= e^{i\phi}\hat{b}^\dagger\hat{f}^\dagger \\ \hat{f}\hat{b}^\dagger &= e^{-i\phi}\hat{b}^\dagger\hat{f} & \hat{f}^\dagger\hat{b} &= e^{-i\phi}\hat{b}\hat{f}^\dagger \end{aligned}$$

Amplitude for $2\nu\beta\beta$

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

Decay rate

$$\begin{aligned} W^{2\nu} &= \cos\chi^4 W^f + \sin\chi^4 W^b \\ &= (1 - b^2) W^f + b^2 W^b \end{aligned}$$

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

(calculations coming up soon)

Looking for a signature of bosonic ν

$2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay half-lives ($0^+ \rightarrow 0^+_{\text{g.s.}}$, $0^+ \rightarrow 0^+_1$, $0^+ \rightarrow 2^+_1$)

- **HSD – NME needed**
- **SSD – $\log ft_{\text{EC}}$, $\log ft_{\beta}$ needed**

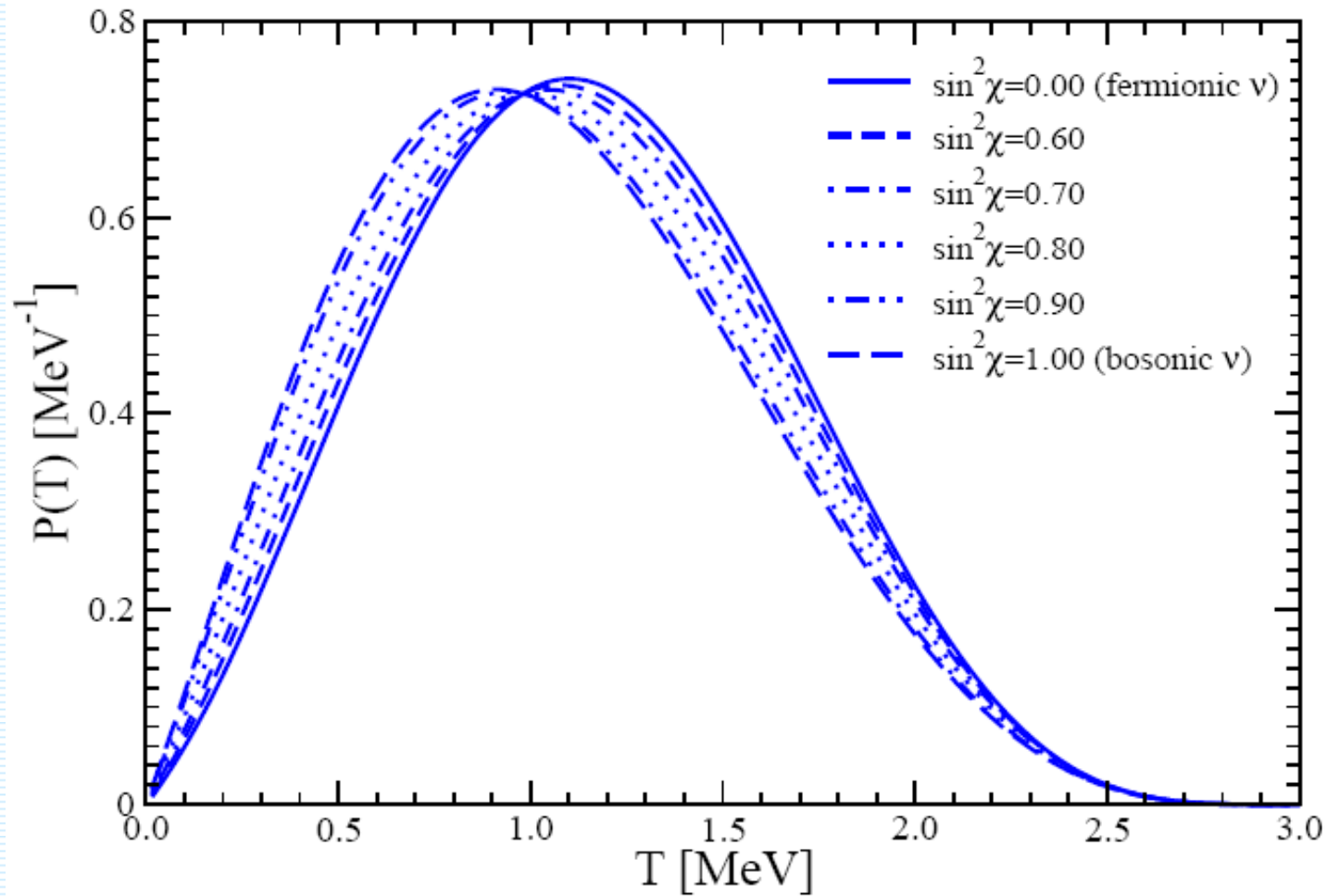
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{T_{1/2}^{2\nu\text{-SSD}}(2^+_f)}{T_{1/2}^{2\nu\text{-SSD}}(0^+_f)} &= 2.41 \times 10^4 & \text{fermionic } \nu & T_{1/2}^{2\nu}(2^+) &= 1.73 \times 10^{23} \text{ years} \\ &= 403 & \text{bosonic } \nu & &= 2.74 \times 10^{21} \text{ years} \\ & & & T_{1/2}^{2\nu\text{-exp}}(2^+) &> 1.6 \times 10^{21} \text{ years} \end{aligned}$$

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 ν excluded for $\sin^2\chi < 0.6$

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



Summary

- **Single β -decay of ${}^3\text{H}$ and ${}^{187}\text{Re}$**

Relativistic calculation for β -decay of ${}^3\text{H}$ presented by considering also the nuclear recoil. The spectrum of the β -decay of ${}^{187}\text{Re}$ presented. Practically, the emitted electrons are only in $p_{3/2}$ states.

- **Detection of relic neutrinos with KATRIN and MARE**

Even in the case of clustering of neutrinos the production rate is small $\approx 10^{-3(-4)}$ 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.

- **$2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay energy distribution allows to conclude whether neutrinos obey Bose-Einstein or Fermi-Dirac statistics**