# Low energy effects of neutrino masses

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#### Neutrino masses: origin and effective theory

neutrino masses require new fields beyond the Standard Model



• effects of these heavy fields for SM particle processes: low energy effective theory

in powers of (1/M)

→ dimension 5 operators:  $\propto 1/M$  → dimension 6 operators:  $\propto 1/M^2$  → dimension 7 operators:  $\propto 1/M^3$ 

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#### **Dimension 5 operator**



 $\Rightarrow$  dim 5 operator  $\Leftrightarrow$  neutrino masses

### The 3 basic seesaw models

i.e. tree level ways to generate the dim 5 operator



Scalar triplet: (type-II seesaw)

 $\begin{array}{c} H \\ Y_N^{\dagger} \\ L \end{array} \begin{array}{c} N_R \\ Y_N \\ M_N \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Y_N \\ L \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ Y_N \\ L \end{array}$ 



Fermion triplet: (type-III seesaw)



$$m_{\nu} = Y_N^T \frac{1}{M_N} Y_N v^2$$

Minkowski; Gellman, Ramon, Slansky; Yanagida;Glashow; Mohapatra, Senjanovic Magg, Wetterich; Lazarides, Shafi; Mohapatra, Senjanovic; Schechter, Valle

 $m_{\nu} = Y_{\Delta} \frac{\mu_{\Delta}}{M_{\star}^2} v^2$ 

Foot, Lew, He, Joshi; Ma; Ma, Roy; T.H., Lin, Notari, Papucci, Strumia; Bajc, Nemevsek, Senjanovic; Dorsner, Fileviez-Perez;....

 $m_{\nu} = Y_{\Sigma}^T \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}} Y_{\Sigma} v^2$ 

How to distinguish experimentally the 3 seesaw models??

→ <u>not from the dim-5 operator</u> (i.e. not from neutrino oscillations experim.,  $0\nu 2\beta$ ,...)

same unique operator for all 3 models

>> we need : - either to be able to produce the heavy states

- and/or to distinguigsh them from dim-6 operators

#### Dimension 6 operators in seesaw models

• Type-I: 
$$\mathcal{L}^{d=6} = Y_N^{\dagger} \frac{1}{M_N^2} Y_N(\bar{L}H) \partial (HL)$$



Broncano, Gavela, Jenkins '02

• Type-III: 
$$\mathcal{L}^{d=6} = Y_{\Sigma}^{\dagger} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}^2} Y_{\Sigma} (\bar{L}H) D(HL)$$

• Type-II: 
$$\mathcal{L}^{d=6} = Y_{\Delta}^{\dagger} \frac{1}{M_{\Delta}^2} Y_{\Delta} (\bar{L}L) (\bar{L}L) \leftarrow \downarrow_{\Delta} \downarrow_{\Delta$$

#### Dim 5 and dim 6 operator summary



#### What about the size of dim 6 effects??

expected e.g. very suppressed:

$$c_{d=6} \sim Y_N^{\dagger} \frac{1}{M_N^2} Y_N$$

$$c_{d=5} \sim Y_N^T \frac{1}{M_N} Y_N$$

$$c_{d=6} \sim \frac{c_{d=5}}{M_N} \sim \frac{m_{\nu}}{M_N} \frac{1}{v^2}$$

 $\sim 10^{-13}$  ( $M_N \sim \text{TeV}$ )

 $Y_N \sim 10^{-6}$ 

but not necessarily so:

-  $c_{d=5}$  and  $c_{d=6}$  : not same Yukawa combination

-  $c_{d=5}$  breaks lepton number but  $c_{d=6}$  do not!

 $\Rightarrow$  there is no symmetry reasons why if  $c_{d=5}$  is suppressed  $c_{d=6}$  should also be

#### "Direct Lepton number Violation,,

assume a L conserving setup with not too large  $M_{N,\Delta,\Sigma}$  and large Yukawas

 $M_{N,\Delta,\Sigma} \sim 100 \,\mathrm{GeV} - 100 \,\mathrm{TeV}$ 



 $\sim$  assume L is broken by a small perturbation  $\mu$ 

$$\bigcup_{\nu} m_{\nu} = f(Y) \frac{\mu}{M^2} v^2 \quad \longleftarrow$$

neutrino masses directly proport. to a small source of L violation  $\mu$  rather than inversely proport. to a large mass M

#### Direct Lepton number Violation in type-II model



if 
$$\mu_{\Delta} = 0$$
 no L violation

### DLV in type-I (and type-III) model

example with one light neutrino and 2 N:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} {}^{\mathbf{V_{L}}} & {}^{\mathbf{N_{1}}} & {}^{\mathbf{N_{2}}} \\ {}^{\mathbf{V_{L}}} & \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & Y_{N} \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ Y_{N} \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & M_{N} \\ {}^{\mathbf{N_{2}}} & 0 & M_{N} \\ 0 & M_{N} & 0 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

"inverse seesaw" as in
Gonzalez-Garcia, Valle '89
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 $\checkmark$  if  $Y_N$  is large,  $M_N$  not too high:

 $c_{d=6}$  large with  $c_{d=5} = 0$  (L is conserved)  $L(\nu) = 1, L(N_1) = -1, L(N_2) = 1$ 

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(L is approximately conserved)

→ long list of effects depending on the seesaw model:

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- $\rho$  parameter
- -W mass
- .....

# Bounds on Yukawa couplings from dim 6 operator induced processes: type-II model

Process	Constraint on	Bound $\left(\times \left(\frac{M_{\Delta}}{1 \text{ TeV}}\right)^2\right)$
$M_W$	$ Y_{\Delta \mu e} ^2$	$< 7.3  imes 10^{-2}$
$\mu^-  ightarrow e^+ e^- e^-$	$ Y_{\Delta \mu e}  Y_{\Delta e e} $	$< 1.2  imes 10^{-5}$
$ au^-  ightarrow e^+ e^- e^-$	$ Y_{\Delta au e}  Y_{\Delta ee} $	$< 1.3  imes 10^{-2}$
$ au^-  o \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^-$	$ Y_{\Delta au\mu}  Y_{\Delta\mu\mu} $	$< 1.2 \times 10^{-2}$
$ au^-  ightarrow \mu^+ e^- e^-$	$ Y_{\Delta au\mu}  Y_{\Delta ee} $	$< 9.3  imes 10^{-3}$
$ au^-  o e^+ \mu^- \mu^-$	$ Y_{\Delta au e}  Y_{\Delta\mu\mu} $	$< 1.0  imes 10^{-2}$
$ au^-  o \mu^+ \mu^- e^-$	$ Y_{\Delta au\mu}  Y_{\Delta\mu e} $	$< 1.8  imes 10^{-2}$
$ au^-  ightarrow e^+ e^- \mu^-$	$ Y_{\Delta au e}  Y_{\Delta\mu e} $	$< 1.7  imes 10^{-2}$
$\mu  ightarrow e \gamma$	$ \Sigma_{l=e,\mu, au}Y_{\Delta}^{\dagger}_{l\mu}Y_{\Delta el} $	$<4.7 imes10^{-3}$
$ au  o e\gamma$	$ \Sigma_{l=e,\mu, au}Y_{\Delta_{l au}}^{\dagger}Y_{\Delta el} $	< 1.05
$ au  o \mu \gamma$	$ \Sigma_{l=e,\mu, au}Y_{\Delta_{l au}}^{\dagger}Y_{\Delta\mu l} $	$< 8.4  imes 10^{-1}$

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Partly from: Barger et al '82; Pal '83; Bernabeu et al '84, '86; Bilenky, Petcov'87; Gunion et al '89, '06; Swartz '89; Mohapatra '92

Combined bounds				
Process	Yukawa	Bound $\left( \times \left( \frac{M_{\Delta}}{1 \text{ TeV}} \right)^4 \right)$		
$\mu  ightarrow e \gamma$	$\left Y_{\Delta\mu\mu}^{\dagger}Y_{\Delta\mu e}+Y_{\Delta\tau\mu}^{\dagger}Y_{\Delta au e} ight $	$< 4.7  imes 10^{-3}$		
$\tau \to e \gamma$	$\left Y_{\Delta  au  au  au}^{\dagger}Y_{\Delta  au e} ight $	< 1.05		
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# Bounds on Yukawa couplings from dim 6 operator induced processes: type-I model

Antusch, Biggio, Fernandez-Martinez, Lopez-Pavon, Gavela '06

effects come mostly from the mixings between the  $\nu$  and N which induce modifications of W couplings to leptons and Z couplings to  $\nu$  (through non-unitarity effects)

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# Bounds on Yukawa couplings from dim 6 operator induced processes: type-III model

Abada, Biggio, Bonnet, Gavela, T.H. '07

$$\frac{v^2}{2} |c^{d=6}|_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{v^2}{2} |Y_{\Sigma}^{\dagger} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}^{\dagger}} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}} Y_{\Sigma}|_{\alpha\beta} \lesssim \begin{pmatrix} 3 \cdot 10^{-3} & 1.1 \cdot 10^{-6} & 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3} \\ 1.1 \cdot 10^{-6} & 4 \cdot 10^{-3} & 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3} \\ 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3} & 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3} & 4 \cdot 10^{-3} \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\mu \rightarrow eee \quad \mu \rightarrow e\gamma \quad Z \rightarrow \mu e$   $\tau \rightarrow eee \quad \tau \rightarrow e\gamma \quad Z \rightarrow \tau e$   $\tau \rightarrow \mu ee \quad \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma \quad Z \rightarrow \tau \mu$   $\tau \rightarrow \mu \mu e \quad +$   $\tau \rightarrow \mu \mu \mu \quad W \text{ decays}$ Invisible Z width Universality tests

effects come from mixings between  $\nu$  and neutral triplets and between charged leptons and charged triplets which induce modification of W couplings to leptons and Z couplings to both I and  $\nu$  (through non-unitarity effects)

at tree level (not at one-loop as in type-l)

$$|Y| ~\lesssim 10^{-1} \frac{M}{1 ~TeV}$$

### Summary

- dimension 6 operator effects are crucial for distinguishing the seesaw models
- dimension 6 effects are e.g. suppressed but not necessarily



• rich associated phenomenology

provides bounds on Yukawa coupling - mass combinations

# Backup

# 3 nus +3 N DFV case

 $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_{e}, \nu_{\mu}, \nu_{\tau}, N_{1}, N_{2}, N_{3} \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & c & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e & 0 & 0 \\ c & d & e & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

# Singlet and triplet Seesaws differ in the the pattern of the Z couplings

Singlet	Triplet	
$J^{- {\it CC}}_{\mu}\equiv \overline{\it I_L}\gamma_{\mu} \it N  u$	$J^{- {\it CC}}_{\mu}\equiv \overline{\it I_L}\gamma_{\mu} {\it N}  u$	
$J^{NC}_{\mu}\equiv rac{1}{2}\overline{ u}\gamma_{\mu}(N^{\dagger}N) u$	$J^Z_\mu({\sf neutrinos}) \equiv rac{1}{2} \overline{ u}  \gamma_\mu(N^\dagger  N)^{-1}  \mu$	
	$J^3_\mu({ m leptons})\equiv {1\over 2}ar l\gamma_\mu(NN^\dagger)^2I$	





# I->I' gamma versus I->3I' ratios are predicted to fixed values in the type-III seesaw model

$$Br(\mu \to e\gamma) = 1.3 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot Br(\mu \to eee),$$
  

$$Br(\tau \to \mu\gamma) = 1.3 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot Br(\tau \to \mu\mu\mu) = 2.1 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot Br(\tau^- \to e^-e^+\mu^-)$$
  

$$Br(\tau \to e\gamma) = 1.3 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot Br(\tau \to eee) = 2.1 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot Br(\tau^- \to \mu^-\mu^+e^-)$$

#### I->I' gamma:

$$\begin{aligned} |\epsilon_{e\mu}| &= \frac{v^2}{2} |Y_{\Sigma}^{\dagger} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}^{\dagger}} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}} Y_{\Sigma}|_{\mu e} \lesssim 1.1 \cdot 10^{-4} \\ |\epsilon_{\mu\tau}| &= \frac{v^2}{2} |Y_{\Sigma}^{\dagger} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}^{\dagger}} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}} Y_{\Sigma}|_{\tau\mu} \lesssim 1.5 \cdot 10^{-2} \\ |\epsilon_{e\tau}| &= \frac{v^2}{2} |Y_{\Sigma}^{\dagger} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}^{\dagger}} \frac{1}{M_{\Sigma}} Y_{\Sigma}|_{\tau e} \lesssim 2.4 \cdot 10^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

**|->3|'**:

Constraints on	Process	Bound
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{e\mu} $	$\mu^- \to e^+ e^- e^-$	$< 1.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{e\tau} $	$\tau^- \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^-$	$ <1.2\cdot10^{-3}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{\mu\tau} $	$\tau^- \to \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^-$	$< 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{\tau e} $	$\tau^- \to \mu^+ \mu^- e^-$	$<1.6\cdot10^{-3}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{\tau\mu}  (NN^{\dagger})_{e\mu} $	$\tau^- \to e^+ \mu^- \mu^-$	$< 3.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{\tau\mu} $	$\tau^- \to e^+ e^- \mu^-$	$<1.5\cdot10^{-3}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{\tau e}  (NN^{\dagger})_{\mu e} $	$\tau^- \to \mu^+ e^- e^-$	$<2.9\cdot10^{-4}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{e\mu} $	$\mu \to e \gamma$	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-5}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{\mu\tau} $	$\tau \to \mu \gamma$	$5.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$ (NN^{\dagger})_{e\tau} $	$\tau \to e \gamma$	$6.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$