

Neutrinoless double beta decay without proton decay

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Susan Gardner and X.Y., [arXiv:1602.00693](#),
[1808.05288, 1810.XXXX.](#)



Origin of neutrino mass

- Neutrino oscillation

- Neutrino flavor-changing oscillations

- Observed by Super-K and Sudbury Neutrino Observatory

- (therefore) neutrinos have mass



[Takaaki Kajita](#)



[Arthur B. McDonald](#)

- Majorana or Dirac neutrinos?

- If Dirac, like other fermions in SM, it can be generated by the Higgs mechanism (a right-handed ν field is needed)

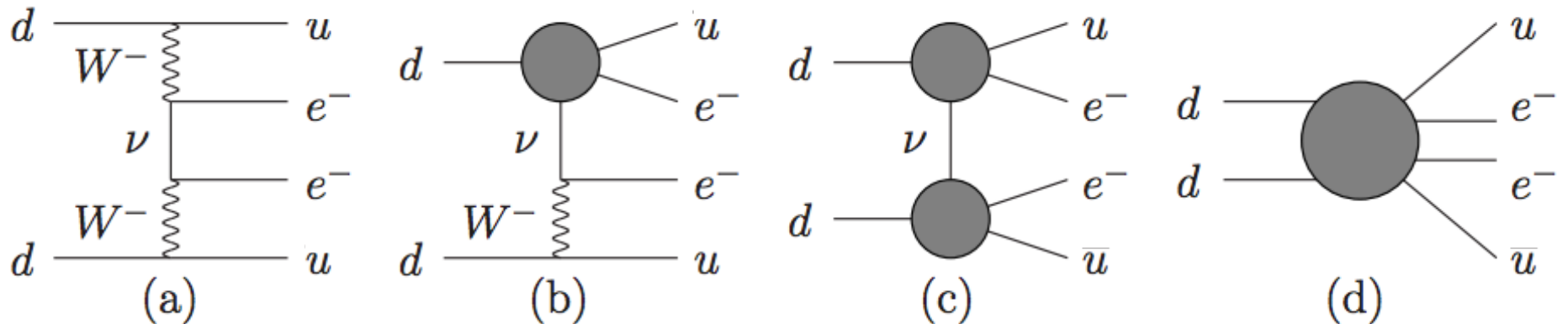
- If Majorana, a dimension five mass term appears [Weinberg, (1979)]

- ❖ Observation of neutrinoless double ($0\nu\beta\beta$) decay shows that L is broken by two units and neutrino has an effective Majorana mass. [Schechter & Valle, (1982)]

Mechanisms of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

$0\nu\beta\beta$ is mediated by a mass dimension $[d]=9$ operator:

$$\mathcal{O} \propto \bar{u}\bar{u}dd\bar{e}\bar{e} \quad \text{Or } \pi^-\pi^- \rightarrow e^-e^-$$



[Bonnet et al (2013)]

- (a)-(c): A light neutrino is exchanged --- “long-range” diagrams;
- (d): Mediated by heavy particles --- “short-range” diagram.

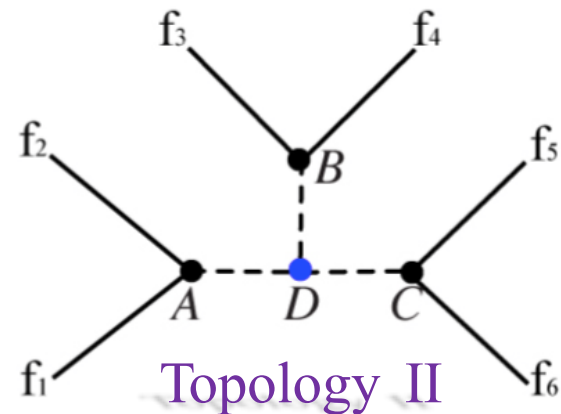
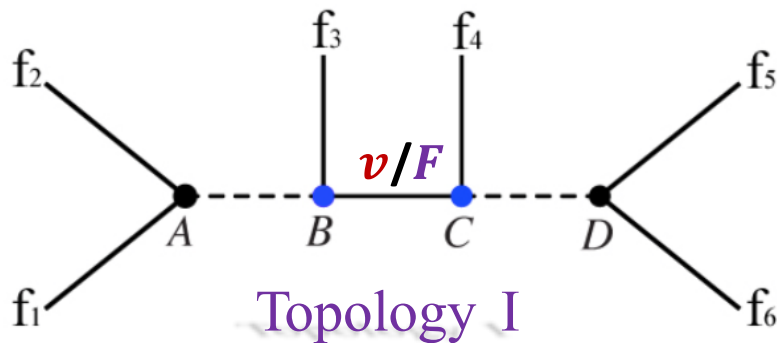
*If observed, regardless of the mechanism causing it,
the ν has a Majorana mass!*

[Schechter & Valle, (1982)]

Two topologies of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay operator

The two basic tree-level topologies realizing $[d]=9$ $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay operator:

[Bonnet et al (2013)]



Outline

- ❖ Use “minimal” models: the new interactions respect SM gauge symmetry and are also renormalizable ($[d]=3, 4$).
- ❖ Add new scalars and vectors, and study B and/or L violations.
- ❖ We remove proton (p) decay ($|\Delta B| = 1$) explicitly.
 - ❑ Non-observation of proton (p) decay set severe constraints on new physics (GUT scale);
 - ❑ Lack of “secret ingredients”, such as discrete symmetry, etc. as would appear in a GUT
- ❖ We check what mechanisms (models) of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay can survive.

Eliminate new particles that generate p ($|\Delta B|=1$) decay

Possible interactions between new particles and SM fermions permit no proton decay

➤ e.g., Xee , VLe , Xud , $X\bar{u}\bar{e}$, XQQ , ...

More precisely, e.g., VLe and Xee :

$$g^{ab} V_{3\mu} L^a \sigma^\mu e^b, \quad g_1^{ab} X_1 (e^a e^b)$$

(a and b denote generation.)

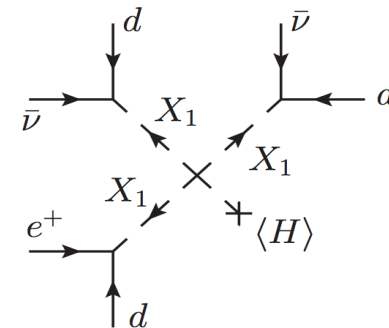
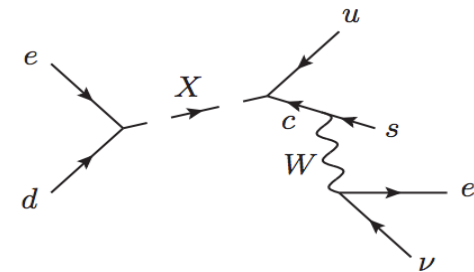
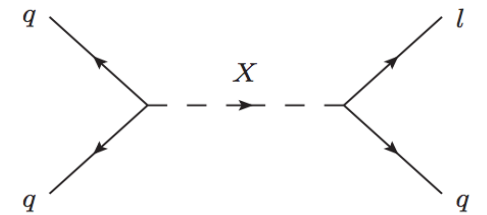
➤ Note: the representations of new scalars and vectors are in $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$

$$X(3, 1, -4/3), X_{uu}, X_{\bar{d}\bar{e}}$$

At low E

$$\mathcal{L} = u d u e \longrightarrow p \rightarrow e^+ \pi^0$$

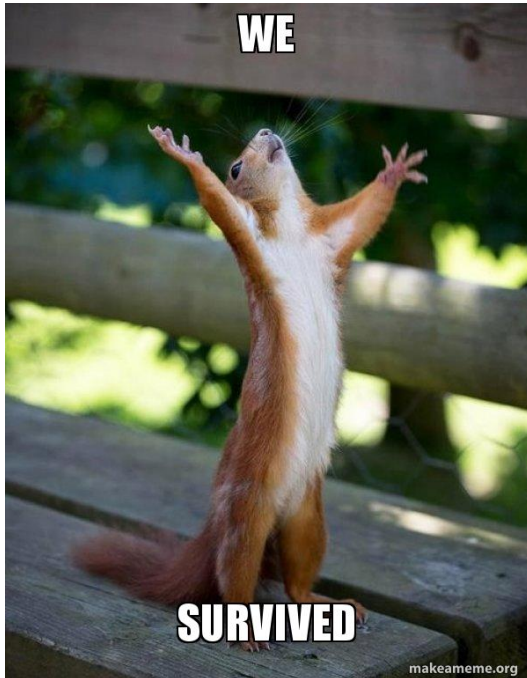
Tree level proton decay diagrams



[Arnold, Fornal, and Wise (2013)]

Scalar/vector-fermion interactions without p-decay

Possible interactions between new particles and SM fermions:



| Vector | operator | Scalar | operator |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| $V_1(1, 1, 0)$ | $V\bar{L}L, V\bar{e}e$ | $X_1(1, 1, 2)$ | Xee |
| $V_2(1, 3, 0)$ | $V\bar{L}L$ | $X_2(1, 1, 1)$ | XLL |
| $V_3(1, 2, \frac{3}{2})$ | VLe | $X_3(1, 3, 1)$ | XLL |
| $V_4(\bar{6}, 2, -\frac{5}{6})$ | VQu | $X_4(\bar{6}, 3, -\frac{1}{3})$ | XQQ |
| $V_5(\bar{6}, 2, \frac{1}{6})$ | VQd | $X_5(\bar{6}, 1, -\frac{1}{3})$ | XQQ, Xud |
| $V_6(1, 1, 0)$ | $V\bar{Q}Q, V\bar{u}u, V\bar{d}d$ | $X_6(3, 1, \frac{2}{3})$ | Xdd |
| $V_7(1, 3, 0)$ | $V\bar{Q}Q$ | $X_7(\bar{6}, 1, \frac{2}{3})$ | Xdd |
| $V_8(1, 1, 1)$ | $V\bar{u}d$ | $X_8(\bar{6}, 1, -\frac{4}{3})$ | Xuu |
| $V_9(3, 1, \frac{2}{3})$ | $V\bar{Q}L, V\bar{d}e$ | $X_9(3, 2, \frac{7}{6})$ | $X\bar{Q}e, XL\bar{u}$ |
| $V_{10}(3, 3, \frac{2}{3})$ | $V\bar{Q}L$ | | |
| $V_{11}(3, 1, \frac{5}{3})$ | $V\bar{u}e$ | | |

[Arnold, Fornal, and Wise (2013)
Assad, Fornal, Grinstein (2018)
S. Gardner and X. Y. (2018)]

These interactions do not break \mathcal{L} or \mathcal{B} !

$0\nu\beta\beta$ decay in minimal *scalar* models

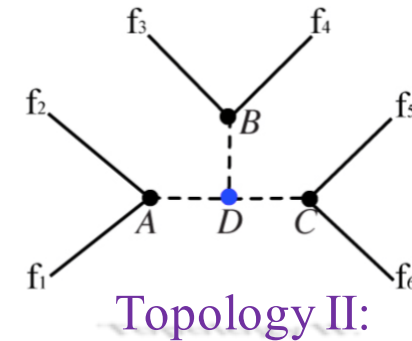
- Note the different shorthand: $U_{em}(1) \times SU_c(3)$
- With p decay

| # | Decomposition | Mediator (Q_{em}, Q_{colour}) | | | Models/Refs./Comments |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---|
| | | S or V_ρ | S' or V'_ρ | S'' or V''_ρ | |
| 1 | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u}d)(\bar{e}e)$ | $(+1, 1)$ | $(+1, 1)$ | $(-2, 1)$ | Addl. triplet scalar [69] LR-symmetric models [40, 42] |
| 2 | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u}e)(\bar{e}d)$ | $(+1, 8)$ | $(+1, 8)$ | $(-2, 1)$ | only with V_ρ and V'_ρ |
| | | $(+1, 1)$ | $(-1/3, 3)$ | $(-2/3, \bar{3})$ | |
| 3 | $(\bar{u}u)(dd)(\bar{e}e)$ | $(+1, 8)$ | $(-1/3, 3)$ | $(-2/3, \bar{3})$ | only with V_ρ |
| | | $(+4/3, \bar{3})$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ | $(-2, 1)$ | |
| 4 | $(\bar{u}u)(\bar{e}d)(\bar{e}d)$ | $(+4/3, \bar{3})$ | $(-2/3, \bar{3})$ | $(-2/3, \bar{3})$ | only with V_ρ |
| | | $(+4/3, 6)$ | $(+2/3, \bar{6})$ | $(-2, 1)$ | |
| 5 | $(\bar{u}e)(\bar{u}e)(dd)$ | $(-1/3, 3)$ | $(-1/3, 3)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ | only with V''_ρ [70, 71] |
| | | $(-1/3, 3)$ | $(-1/3, 3)$ | $(+2/3, \bar{6})$ | |

One example:

$X(3, 1, -4/3)$, X_{uu} is eliminated by no-proton decay condition.

[Bonnet et al (2013)]



❖ Without p decay

| # | Decomposition | S | S' | S'' |
|---|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 3 | $(\bar{u}u)(dd)(\bar{e}e)$ | $(-4/3, \bar{6})$ | $(+2/3, \bar{6})$ | $(+2, 1)$ |

Possible interactions (at D) in SM rep.:

- $\triangleright X_1 X_8 X_7^+$
- $\triangleright X_3 X_4 X_7^+$
- $\triangleright X_3 X_8 X_4^+$

[S. Gardner and X. Y. (2018)]

5 → 1: Number of decompositions drops!!

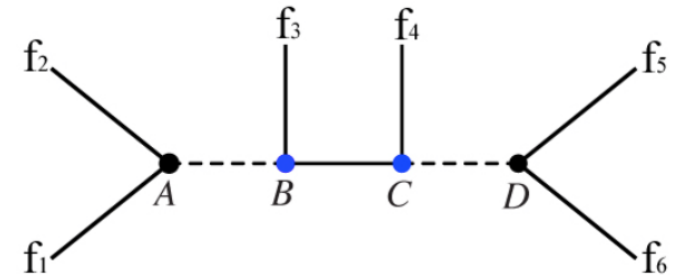
$0\nu\beta\beta$ decay in minimal *scalar* models

The number of decomposition for topology (I) drops : **18** \rightarrow **5!**

❖ Without p decay

| # | Decomposition | S | ψ | S' |
|--------|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 3-i | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(\bar{e})(\bar{e})(dd)$ | $(-4/3, \bar{6})$ | $(+1/3, 6)$ | $(+2/3, \bar{6})$ |
| 3-ii | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(d)(d)(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | $(-4/3, \bar{6})$ | $(+5/3, 3)$ | $(+2, 1)$ |
| 3-iii | $(dd)(\bar{u})(\bar{u})(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | $(+2/3, \bar{6})$ | $(+4/3, \bar{3})$ | $(+2, 1)$ |
| 4-ii-a | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(d)(\bar{e})(d\bar{e})$ | $(-4/3, \bar{6})$ | $(+5/3, 3)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ |
| 4-ii-b | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(\bar{e})(d)(d\bar{e})$ | $(-4/3, \bar{6})$ | $(+1/3, 6)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ |

[S. Gardner and X. Y. (2018)]



Topology I:

Possible interactions at A, B, C, D in SM rep.:

❑ e.g., 4-ii-a:

$$X_8^* \bar{u}\bar{u}, \quad X_8 \psi d_R, \quad X_9 \bar{\psi} \bar{e}_L, \quad X_9^* Q \bar{e}, \quad \text{with } \psi = (3, 1, \frac{5}{3})$$

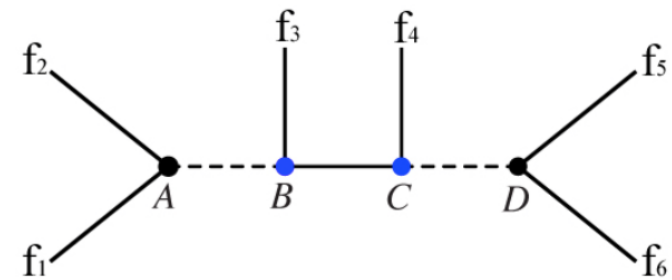
❖ X_i denotes a new scalar.

$0\nu\beta\beta$ decay in minimal *vector* models

- ❖ The number of decomposition for topology (II) drops: **5** \rightarrow **0!**
- ❖ The number of decomposition for topology (I) drops: **18** \rightarrow **11!**

Observation:

- No-p decay has great impact on mechanisms of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay in both topologies.
- We explore possible connection between patterns of $|\Delta B|=2$ process and $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay within minimal *scalar* models in topology (II).



Topology I:

Possible interactions at A, B, C, D:

- E.g., 4-ii-a:

$$V_4^* \bar{Q} \bar{\sigma} \bar{u}, \quad V_4 \psi d_R, \quad V_9 \bar{\psi} \bar{e}_L, \quad V_9^* d_L \bar{\sigma} \bar{e}_L \Rightarrow \psi = (3, 2, 7/6)$$

- ❖ V_i denotes a new vector.

Minimal scalar X_i interactions that break B and/or L

Topology II:

[S. Gardner and X. Y. (2018)]

| Model | Model | Model |
|-------|-------|-------|
| M1 | A | M10 |
| M2 | B | M11 |
| M3 | C | M12 |
| M4 | D | M13 |
| M5 | E | M14 |
| M6 | F | M15 |
| M7 | G | M16 |
| M8 | | M17 |
| M9 | | M18 |

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| $X_5 X_5 X_7$ | $X_1 X_8 X_7^\dagger$ | $X_7 X_8 X_8 X_1$ |
| $X_4 X_4 X_7$ | $X_3 X_4 X_7^\dagger$ | $X_5 X_5 X_4 X_3$ |
| $X_7 X_7 X_8$ | $X_3 X_8 X_4^\dagger$ | $X_5 X_5 X_8 X_1$ |
| $X_6 X_6 X_8$ | $X_5 X_2 X_7^\dagger$ | $X_4 X_4 X_5 X_2$ |
| $X_5 X_5 X_5 X_2$ | $X_8 X_2 X_5^\dagger$ | $X_4 X_4 X_5 X_3$ |
| $X_4 X_4 X_4 X_2$ | $X_2 X_2 X_1^\dagger$ | $X_4 X_4 X_8 X_1$ |
| $X_4 X_4 X_4 X_3$ | $X_3 X_3 X_1^\dagger$ | $X_4 X_7 X_8 X_3$ |
| $X_7 X_7 X_7 X_1^\dagger$ | | $X_5 X_7 X_7 X_2^\dagger$ |
| $X_6 X_6 X_6 X_1^\dagger$ | | $X_4 X_7 X_7 X_3^\dagger$ |

$n - \bar{n}$ oscillation

dinucleon decay

conversion
E.g. : $e^- p \rightarrow e^+ \bar{p}$

$[\text{d}]=3, 4.$

$|\Delta L| = 2, |\Delta B| = 0$
A, B, C $\Rightarrow 0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

Appeared in [Arnold, Fornal, and Wise (2013)]

Patterns of $|\Delta B|=2$ & Majorana neutrino

| Model | $n\bar{n}$? | $e^-n \rightarrow e^-\bar{n}$? | $e^-p \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_X\bar{n}$? | $e^-p \rightarrow e^+\bar{p}$? | $0\nu\beta\beta$? |
|-------|--------------|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| M3 | Y | N | N | Y | Y [A] |
| M2 | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y [B] |
| M1 | Y | Y | Y | N | ? [D] |
| - | N | N | Y | Y | ? [C?] |

| $n\bar{n}$ | $\pi^-\pi^- \rightarrow e^-e^-$ | $e^-p \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{\mu,\tau}\bar{n}$ | $e^-p \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e\bar{n}/e^+p$ | $e^-p \rightarrow e^+\bar{p}$ |
|------------|---------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|
| M1 | A | M5 | M7 | M10 |
| M2 | B(*) | M6 | M11 | M12 |
| M3 | C(*) | M13 | M14 | M15 |
| | | | M16 | |

One example: No $e^-n \rightarrow e^-\bar{n}$ & Yes $n\bar{n}$,

- M3 has scalar content X_7 and X_8 ;
- $e^-p \rightarrow e^+\bar{p}$ only \Rightarrow M10, M12, or M15. Common scalar content: X_1

\Rightarrow A $\Rightarrow \pi^-\pi^- \rightarrow e^-e^-$ decay

| | | | |
|----|---------------------|-----|----------------|
| M3 | $X_7X_7X_8$ | M10 | $X_7X_8X_8X_1$ |
| | | M12 | $X_5X_5X_8X_1$ |
| A | $X_1X_8X_7^\dagger$ | M15 | $X_4X_4X_8X_1$ |

[S. Gardner and X. Y. (2018)]

"Everything not forbidden is compulsory."

Gell-Mann quotes it from T. H. White

Summary

- We revisit d=9 $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay operators and explore their minimal ultraviolet-complete models with new scalars and vectors.
- No proton decay condition eliminates many of the mechanisms of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay, especially in topology II. Only one survives in scalar models (in the $(\text{SU}(3), \text{U}(1)_{\text{em}})$ basis), and none in vector models.
- Within topology II scalar models, we show that the observation of $n\bar{n}$ oscillations and of particular nucleon-antinucleon conversion processes can reveal the Majorana nature of the neutrino.

Backup Slides

➤ With p decay

Topology I:

| # | Decomposition | Long Range? | Mediator ($U(1)_{em}, SU(3)_c$) | | | Models/Refs./Comments |
|---------|--|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|--|
| | | | S or V_ρ | ψ | S' or V'_ρ | |
| 1-i | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{e})(\bar{e})(\bar{u}d)$ | (a) | (+1, 1) | (0, 1) | (-1, 1) | Mass mechan., RPV [58-60], LR-symmetric models [39], Mass mechanism with ν_S [61], TeV scale seesaw, e.g., [62,63] |
| 1-ii-a | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u})(d)(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | | (+1, 8) | (0, 8) | (-1, 8) | [64] |
| 1-ii-b | $(\bar{u}d)(d)(\bar{u})(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | | (+1, 1) | (+5/3, 3) | (+2, 1) | |
| 2-i-a | $(\bar{u}d)(d)(\bar{e})(\bar{u}\bar{e})$ | | (+1, 1) | (+4/3, 3) | (+1/3, 3) | |
| 2-i-b | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{e})(d)(\bar{u}\bar{e})$ | (b) | (+1, 1) | (0, 1) | (+1/3, 3) | RPV [58-60], LQ [65,66] |
| 2-ii-a | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u})(\bar{e})(d\bar{e})$ | | (+1, 1) | (+5/3, 3) | (+2/3, 3) | |
| 2-ii-b | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{e})(\bar{u})(d\bar{e})$ | (b) | (+1, 1) | (0, 1) | (+2/3, 3) | RPV [58-60], LQ [65,66] |
| 2-iii-a | $(d\bar{e})(\bar{u})(d)(\bar{u}\bar{e})$ | (c) | (-2/3, 3) | (0, 1) | (+1/3, 3) | RPV [58-60] |
| 2-iii-b | $(d\bar{e})(d)(\bar{u})(\bar{u}\bar{e})$ | | (-2/3, 3) | (0, 8) | (+1/3, 3) | RPV [58-60] |
| 3-i | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(\bar{e})(\bar{e})(d\bar{d})$ | | (+4/3, 3) | (+1/3, 3) | (-2/3, 3) | only with V_ρ and V'_ρ |
| 3-ii | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(d)(d)(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | | (+4/3, 3) | (+5/3, 3) | (+2, 1) | only with V_ρ |
| 3-iii | $(d\bar{d})(\bar{u})(\bar{u})(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | | (+2/3, 3) | (+4/3, 3) | (+2, 1) | only with V_ρ |
| 4-i | $(d\bar{e})(\bar{u})(\bar{u})(d\bar{e})$ | (c) | (-2/3, 3) | (0, 1) | (+2/3, 3) | RPV [58-60] |
| 4-ii-a | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(d)(\bar{e})(d\bar{e})$ | | (+4/3, 3) | (+5/3, 3) | (+2/3, 3) | RPV [58-60] |
| 4-ii-b | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(\bar{e})(d)(d\bar{e})$ | | (+4/3, 6) | (+5/3, 3) | (+2/3, 3) | only with V_ρ |
| 5-i | $(\bar{u}\bar{e})(d)(d)(\bar{u}\bar{e})$ | (c) | (-1/3, 3) | (0, 1) | (+1/3, 3) | see Sec. 4 (this work) |
| 5-ii-a | $(\bar{u}\bar{e})(\bar{u})(\bar{e})(d\bar{d})$ | | (+4/3, 3) | (+1/3, 3) | (+2/3, 3) | only with V_ρ |
| 5-ii-b | $(\bar{u}\bar{e})(\bar{e})(\bar{u})(d\bar{d})$ | | (-1/3, 3) | (+1/3, 6) | (-2/3, 6) | only with V'_ρ |

[Bonnet et al (2013)]

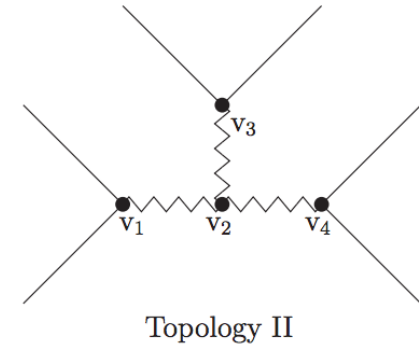
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➤ With p decay

Topology II:

[Bonnet et al (2013)]

| # | Decomposition | Mediator (Q_{em}, Q_{colour}) | | | Models/Refs./Comments |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---|
| | | S or V_ρ | S' or V'_ρ | S'' or V''_ρ | |
| 1 | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u}d)(\bar{e}e)$ | (+1, 1) | (+1, 1) | (-2, 1) | Addl. triplet scalar [69] LR-symmetric models [40, 42] |
| 2 | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u}e)(\bar{e}d)$ | (+1, 8) | (+1, 8) | (-2, 1) | |
| | | (+1, 1) | (-1/3, 3) | (-2/3, $\bar{3}$) | |
| 3 | $(\bar{u}u)(dd)(\bar{e}e)$ | (+1, 8) | (-1/3, 3) | (-2/3, $\bar{3}$) | only with V_ρ and V'_ρ |
| | | (+4/3, $\bar{3}$) | (+2/3, 3) | (-2, 1) | |
| 4 | $(\bar{u}u)(\bar{e}d)(\bar{e}d)$ | (+4/3, $\bar{6}$) | (+2/3, $\bar{6}$) | (-2, 1) | only with V_ρ |
| | | (+4/3, $\bar{3}$) | (-2/3, $\bar{3}$) | (-2/3, $\bar{3}$) | |
| 5 | $(\bar{u}e)(\bar{u}e)(dd)$ | (+4/3, 6) | (-2/3, $\bar{3}$) | (-2/3, $\bar{3}$) | only with V''_ρ |
| | | (-1/3, 3) | (-1/3, 3) | (+2/3, 3) | |
| | | (-1/3, 3) | (-1/3, 3) | (+2/3, $\bar{6}$) | [70, 71] |



❖ Without p decay

Surviving decomposition & possible models:








| # | Decomposition | S or V | S' or V' | S'' or V'' | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|---|
| 1 | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u}d)(\bar{e}e)$ | (1, 1) | (1, 1) | (2, 1) | ➤ #1: $V_7^\mu V_{7\mu} X_1^+$, $V_6^\mu V_{7\mu} X_3^+$ |
| 3 | $(\bar{u}u)(dd)(\bar{e}e)$ | (-4/3, $\bar{6}$) | (+2/3, $\bar{6}$) | (+2, 1) | ➤ #3: $V_4^\mu V_{5\mu}^+ X_3$, $V_3^\mu V_{5\mu}^+ X_8$, $V_4^\mu V_{3\mu} X_7^+$, $X_1 X_8 X_7^+$, $X_3 X_4 X_7^+$, $X_3 X_8 X_4^+$ |
| 4 | $(\bar{u}u)(\bar{e}d)(\bar{e}d)$ | (-4/3, $\bar{6}$) | (+2/3, 3) | (+2/3, 3) | ➤ #4: $V_9^\mu V_{9\mu} X_8$ |

[Susan Gardner and X. Y. (2018)]

$0\nu\beta\beta$ decay in minimal scalar-vector models

Topology I:

❖ Without p decay

| # | Decomposition | S or V | ψ | S' or V' | |
|--------|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| 1-i | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{e})(\bar{e})(\bar{u}d)$ | $(1, 1)$ | $(0, 1)$ | $(1, 1)$ |  $V-\psi-V$ |
| 1-ii-a | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u})(d)(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | $(1, 1)$ | $(+5/3, 3)$ | $(+2, 1)$ | }  $V-\psi-V, V-\psi-S$ |
| 1-ii-b | $(\bar{u}d)(d)(\bar{u})(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | $(1, 1)$ | $(+4/3, \bar{3})$ | $(+2, 1)$ | |
| 2-ii-a | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{u})(\bar{e})(d\bar{e})$ | $(1, 1)$ | $(+5/3, 3)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ | }  $V-\psi-V, V-\psi-S$ |
| 2-ii-b | $(\bar{u}d)(\bar{e})(\bar{u})(d\bar{e})$ | $(1, 1)$ | $(0, 1)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ | |
| 3-i | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(\bar{e})(\bar{e})(dd)$ | $(-3/4, \bar{6})$ | $(+1/3, 6)$ | $(+2/3, \bar{6})$ | }  $V-\psi-V, V-\psi-S,$ $S-\psi-V, S-\psi-S$ |
| 3-ii | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(d)(d)(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | $(-3/4, \bar{6})$ | $(+5/3, 3)$ | $(+2, 1)$ | |
| 3-iii | $(dd)(\bar{u})(\bar{u})(\bar{e}\bar{e})$ | $(+2/3, \bar{6})$ | $(+4/3, \bar{3})$ | $(+2, 1)$ | |
| 4-i | $(d\bar{e})(\bar{u})(\bar{u})(d\bar{e})$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ | $(0, 1)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ | }  $V-\psi-V$ |
| | | $(+2/3, 3)$ | $(0, 8)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ | |
| 4-ii-a | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(d)(\bar{e})(d\bar{e})$ | $(-3/4, \bar{6})$ | $(+5/3, 3)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ |  $V-\psi-V, S-\psi-V, S-\psi-S$ |
| 4-ii-b | $(\bar{u}\bar{u})(\bar{e})(d)(d\bar{e})$ | $(-3/4, \bar{6})$ | $(+1/3, 6)$ | $(+2/3, 3)$ |  $S-\psi-V, S-\psi-S$ |

[S. Gardner and X. Y. (2018)]

Quark level $n - \bar{n}$ oscillation

- There are 4 independent quark level $n - \bar{n}$ oscillation operators that respect SM gauge symmetry:

$$(O_1)_{RRR}, (O_2)_{RRR}, (O_3)_{LRR}, (O_3)_{LLR}$$

[Rao and Shrock (1982)
W. Caswell et al (1983)
M. Buchoff et al (2012)]

- Note: M1 yields the operator $(O_2)_{RRR}$, M2 yields $(O_3)_{LLR}$, M3 yields $(O_1)_{RRR}$.

Quark level $n - \bar{n}$
oscillation operators
with $SU(3) \otimes U_{em}(1)$.

$$(O_1)_{\chi_1 \chi_2 \chi_3} = [u_{\chi_1}^{\top \alpha} C u_{\chi_1}^{\beta}] [d_{\chi_2}^{\top \gamma} C d_{\chi_2}^{\delta}] [d_{\chi_3}^{\top \rho} C d_{\chi_3}^{\sigma}] (T_s)_{\alpha \beta \gamma \delta \rho \sigma},$$

$$(O_2)_{\chi_1 \chi_2 \chi_3} = [u_{\chi_1}^{\top \alpha} C d_{\chi_1}^{\beta}] [u_{\chi_2}^{\top \gamma} C d_{\chi_2}^{\delta}] [d_{\chi_3}^{\top \rho} C d_{\chi_3}^{\sigma}] (T_s)_{\alpha \beta \gamma \delta \rho \sigma},$$

$$(O_3)_{\chi_1 \chi_2 \chi_3} = [u_{\chi_1}^{\top \alpha} C d_{\chi_1}^{\beta}] [u_{\chi_2}^{\top \gamma} C d_{\chi_2}^{\delta}] [d_{\chi_3}^{\top \rho} C d_{\chi_3}^{\sigma}] (T_a)_{\alpha \beta \gamma \delta \rho \sigma},$$

$$(T_s)_{\alpha \beta \gamma \delta \rho \sigma} = \epsilon_{\rho \alpha \gamma} \epsilon_{\sigma \beta \delta} + \epsilon_{\sigma \alpha \gamma} \epsilon_{\rho \beta \delta} + \epsilon_{\rho \beta \gamma} \epsilon_{\sigma \alpha \delta} + \epsilon_{\sigma \beta \gamma} \epsilon_{\rho \alpha \delta}$$

$$(T_a)_{\alpha \beta \gamma \delta \rho \sigma} = \epsilon_{\rho \alpha \beta} \epsilon_{\sigma \gamma \delta} + \epsilon_{\sigma \alpha \beta} \epsilon_{\rho \gamma \delta}.$$

[Rao and Shrock (1982)]

Cross Section Estimate

Experimental limits can be translated to scalar-mass-coupling exclusion plots (cf. dark photons!)

scalar couplings [4, 56–59]. Models that support $e^-p \rightarrow e^+\bar{p}$ have low-energy operators whose quark parts correspond to those found in $n - \bar{n}$ oscillations under $u \leftrightarrow d$ exchange. Exploiting this and a MIT bag model [60, 61] computation of $\langle \bar{n} | (\mathcal{O}_1)_{RRR} | n \rangle$ [46, 62] yields

$$\sigma \sim 1.5 \times 10^{-5} (g_7^{11})^6 (\lambda_8 g_1^{11})^2 \left(\frac{5 \text{ GeV}}{M_{X_7}} \right)^{12} \left(\frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{M_{X_1}} \right)^4 \text{ ab} \quad (6)$$

in model M8 for an electron beam energy of 155 MeV with a fixed target [63]. A broad range of possible scalar masses and couplings exists.

Estimate event number

Fixed target experiment:

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \mathcal{L}\sigma = \phi\rho_T L\sigma$$

$$N \sim 1.4 \times 10^2 \frac{t}{1 \text{ yr}} \frac{\phi}{0.6 \times 10^{17} \text{ s}^{-1}} \frac{L}{1 \text{ m}} \frac{\rho}{5.1 \times 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-3}} \frac{\sigma}{1.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ ab}}$$

- t denotes experiment running time, L is the length of liquid deuterium target at 19K with number density ρ .
- ϕ is the flux of electron beam(Dark Light exp. at Jlab)

Dim 5 and 7 proton decay

| Operator | $SU(3)_c$ | $SU(2)_L$ | $U(1)_Y$ | p decay |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|
| $\bar{Q}_L^c \gamma^\mu u_R V_\mu$ | 3 | 2 | -5/6 | tree-level |
| | $\bar{6}$ | 2 | -5/6 | - |
| $\bar{Q}_L^c \gamma^\mu d_R V_\mu$ | 3 | 2 | 1/6 | tree-level |
| | $\bar{6}$ | 2 | 1/6 | - |
| $\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu L_L V_\mu$ | 3 | 1,3 | 2/3 | dim 5 |
| $\bar{Q}_L^c \gamma^\mu e_R V_\mu^*$ | 3 | 2 | -5/6 | tree-level |
| $\bar{L}_L^c \gamma^\mu u_R V_\mu^*$ | 3 | 2 | 1/6 | tree-level |
| $\bar{L}_L^c \gamma^\mu d_R V_\mu^*$ | 3 | 2 | -5/6 | tree-level |
| $\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu e_R V_\mu$ | 3 | 1 | 5/3 | dim 7 |
| $\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu e_R V_\mu$ | 3 | 1 | 2/3 | dim 5 |

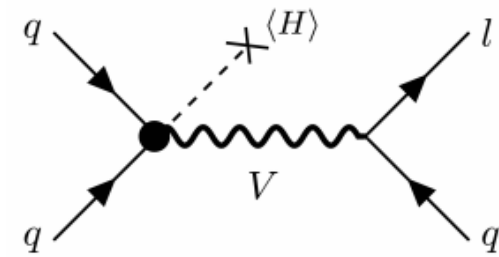


FIG. 2. Proton decay through a dimension five interaction for $V = (3, 1)_{\frac{2}{3}}$ and $V = (3, 3)_{\frac{2}{3}}$.

Assad, Fornal, Grinstein (2018)