

# Models for neutrino masses and mixing

## Introduction

Introductory remarks:

- No problem to **accommodate** neutrino masses and mixing
- The problem is to **explain** characteristic features
- Mass and mixing problem in the quark sector unexplained as well
- It could be that the mass problem is decoupled from mixing problem, i.e., perhaps one can find models which explain mixing but not the masses, mass problem maybe more fundamental

$\nu$  masses and mixing can be accommodated, e.g., in  
 SM +  $3\nu_R$  +  $L$  conserv.  $\rightarrow$  complete analogy to quark sector  
 (Dirac neutrinos)

Issues one would like to understand:

1. Why are  $\nu$  masses much smaller than charged lepton masses?

Two “proposals” for a solution:

- Seesaw mechanism
- Radiative neutrino masses

2. Can one reproduce the special features of  $\nu$  masses and mixing?

F1  $\theta_{\odot} \simeq 34^{\circ} {}^{+3^{\circ}}_{-2^{\circ}}$  (90% CL) (large but non-maximal)

F2  $\theta_{\text{atm}}$  large (maximal ???) [ $\theta_{\text{atm}} \simeq 45^{\circ} \pm 8^{\circ}$  (90% CL)]

F3  $|U_{e3}|^2 \equiv s_{13}^2 \lesssim 0.02$  (90% CL)

F4  $\Delta m_{\odot}^2 / \Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2 \sim 0.03$

## Lepton mixing matrix:

$$U = U_{23}U_{13}U_{12}$$

atm/LBL

$\nu_\mu$  disapp.

$\nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_\tau$

$$U_{23} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix}$$

atm/LBL

$\nu_e$  disapp.

$\nu_e \leftrightarrow \nu_\mu$

$$U_{13} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix}$$

solar  $\nu_e$

KamLAND:

$\bar{\nu}_e$  disapp.

$$U_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Phase  $\delta$  analogous to CKM phase

## Framework:

- Simple extensions of the lepton sector of the SM, i.e. the gauge group is  $G = SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
- Extension of the fermion sector:  
right-handed neutrino singlets  $\nu_R \rightarrow$  seesaw mechanism
- All possible extensions of the scalar sector
- Flavour symmetries for enforcing certain features of the PMNS matrix
- Emphasis on Majorana neutrinos

Mass term for Majorana neutrinos:  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{maj}} = \frac{1}{2} \nu_L^T C^{-1} \mathcal{M}_\nu \nu_L + \text{H.c.}$

Charge conjugation matrix properties

$C$  with  $C^{-1} \gamma^\mu C = -(\gamma^\mu)^T$ ,  $C^T = -C$ ,  $C^\dagger = C^{-1}$

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{maj}}$  Lorentz-invariant,  $\mathcal{M}_\nu^T = \mathcal{M}_\nu$  ( $\mathcal{M}_\nu$  complex symmetric)

## Diagonalization of $\mathcal{M}_\nu$ : Schur 1945

$$V^T \mathcal{M}_\nu V = \hat{m} \equiv \text{diag}(m_1, m_2, m_3)$$

$$V = e^{i\hat{\varphi}} U \text{diag}(e^{i\rho}, e^{i\sigma}, 1)$$

Diagonal phase matrix  $e^{i\hat{\varphi}}$

Basis where charged lepton mass matrix  $M_\ell$  is diagonal:

$e^{i\hat{\varphi}} = \text{diag}(e^{i\varphi_e}, e^{i\varphi_\mu}, e^{i\varphi_\tau})$  unphysical because can be absorbed into the left-handed charged lepton fields

$$-\mathcal{L}_{cc} : \quad \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^- \bar{\ell}_L \gamma^\mu \nu_L = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^- \bar{\ell}_L \gamma^\mu V \hat{\nu}_L$$

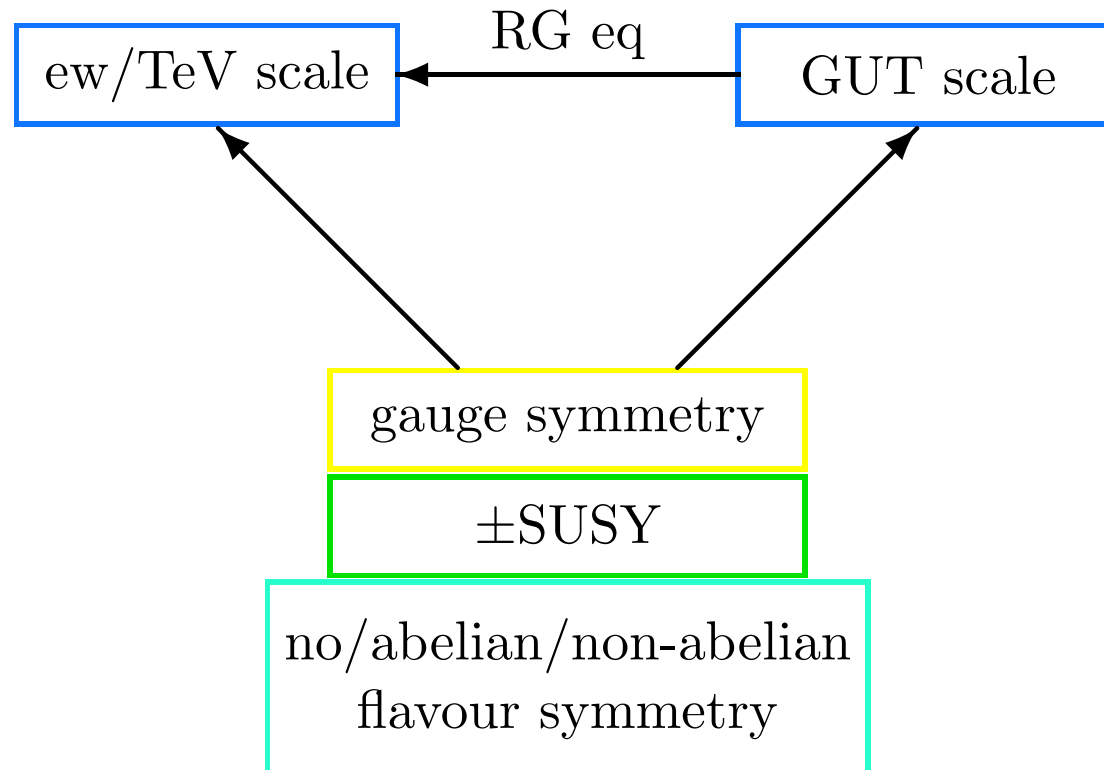
Mass eigenfields  $\hat{\nu}_L$

Define new fields  $\ell'_L = e^{-i\hat{\varphi}} \ell_L \Rightarrow e^{i\hat{\varphi}}$  removed from  $\mathcal{L}_{cc}$

Note: absorbing phases different from  $e^{i\hat{\varphi}}$  into  $\ell_L \rightarrow$   
phase convention in  $U$  different from standard one

If  $M_\ell$  NOT diagonal,  $e^{i\hat{\varphi}}$  has physical effects

Myriads of textures/models!



- \* Is the explanation of F1-4 independent of general fermion mass problem?
- \* How close to 1 is  $\sin^2 2\theta_{\text{atm}}$ ? (more accurate:  $\theta_{23}$  close to  $45^\circ$ ?)  
 → non-abelian flavour symmetry?

## Extensions of the SM

### (a) Right-handed neutrino singlets

#### Multiplets:

$SU(2) \times U(1)$			
$D_L$	$\underline{\frac{1}{2}}$	$Y = -1$	left-handed doublets
$\ell_R$	$\underline{0}$	$Y = -2$	right-handed charged lepton singlets
$\nu_R$	$\underline{0}$	$Y = 0$	right-handed $\nu$ singlets
$\phi$	$\underline{\frac{1}{2}}$	$Y = 1$	Higgs doublet
$\tilde{\phi}$	$\underline{\frac{1}{2}}$	$Y = -1$	Higgs doublet

$$\tilde{\phi} \equiv i\tau_2 \phi^* \Rightarrow \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \tilde{\phi} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{0*} \\ -\phi^- \end{pmatrix}$$

Motivation of  $\nu_R$  by  $SO(10)$  GUT:

# chiral fields per family =

$2 \times 2 \times 3$  (quarks: up, down; L, R; colour) +  $2 \times 2$  (leptons:  $\ell$ ,  $\nu$ ; L, R) = 16

→ fit exactly into 16-plet of  $so(10)$  with correct quantum numbers

$so(10)$  = Lie algebra of  $SO(10)$  and its covering group  $Spin(10)$



**Lagrangian:** SM + 3  $\nu_R$  +  $L$  violation

Remarks: Could also choose 2 or more than 3  $\nu_R$ , allow for an arbitrary number of Higgs doublets

$$\mathcal{L} = \dots - \sum_j \left[ \bar{\ell}_R \phi_j^\dagger \Gamma_j + \bar{\nu}_R \tilde{\phi}^\dagger \Delta_j \right] D_L + \text{H.c.} \\ + \left( \frac{1}{2} \nu_R^T C^{-1} M_R^* \nu_R + \text{H.c.} \right) \quad M_R = M_R^T$$

$$\langle \phi_j^0 \rangle_0 = v_j \Rightarrow M_\ell = \sum_j v_j^* \Gamma_j, \quad M_D = \sum_j v_j \Delta_j$$

Total **Maj. mass term** for left-handed  $\nu$  fields:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\nu \text{ mass}} = \frac{1}{2} \omega_L^T C^{-1} \mathcal{M}_{D+M} \omega_L + \text{H.c.} \\ \mathcal{M}_{D+M} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & M_D^T \\ M_D & M_R \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad \omega_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ C(\bar{\nu}_R)^T \end{pmatrix}$$

**Remark:**  $L$  conservation  $\Rightarrow M_R = 0$ , **Dirac**  $\nu$  masses in complete analogy to other fermion masses, no explanation for  $m_\nu \ll m_\ell$

### Derivation of $\mathcal{L}_{\nu \text{ mass}}$ :

Charge-conjugate fields:  $(\psi_R)^c \equiv C(\bar{\psi}_R)^T = C\gamma^{0T}\psi_R^*$  left-handed

Note:  $(\psi_R)^{cc} = \psi_R$  or  $\psi_R = C\gamma^{0T}[(\psi_R)^c]^*$  or  $\psi_R^* = -C^{-1}\gamma^0(\psi_R)^c$   
 $\gamma^{0T}C^{-1}\gamma^0 = -C^{-1}$

**Dirac term:**

$$\begin{aligned} -\bar{\nu}_R M_D \nu_L &= -\left(C\gamma^{0T}[(\nu_R)^c]^*\right)^\dagger \gamma^0 M_D \nu_L = [(\nu_R)^c]^T C^{-1} M_D \nu_L \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ [(\nu_R)^c]^T C^{-1} M_D \nu_L + \nu_L^T C^{-1} M_D^T [(\nu_R)^c] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

**Majorana Term:**

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{2} \nu_R^T C^{-1} M_R^* \nu_R\right)^\dagger &= \frac{1}{2} \nu_R^\dagger C M_R \nu_R^* = \\ \frac{1}{2} [-C^{-1}\gamma^0(\nu_R)^c]^T C M_R [-C^{-1}\gamma^0(\nu_R)^c] &= \\ \frac{1}{2} [(\nu_R)^c]^T \left(-\gamma^{0T} C^{-1} \gamma^0\right) M_R (\nu_R)^c &= \frac{1}{2} [(\nu_R)^c]^T C^{-1} M_R (\nu_R)^c \end{aligned}$$

**Seesaw mechanism:** Minkowski 1977 [1]

**Assumption:**  $m_D \ll m_R$  ( $m_{D,R}$  scales of  $M_{D,R}$ )

More precise:

Largest eigenvalue of  $\sqrt{M_D^\dagger M_D} \ll$  smallest eigenvalue of  $\sqrt{M_R^\dagger M_R}$

Wanted: unitary  $6 \times 6$  matrix  $W$  which disentangles small from large scale  $\rightarrow$  **ansatz** [2]:

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\mathbb{1} - BB^\dagger} & B \\ -B^\dagger & \sqrt{\mathbb{1} - B^\dagger B} \end{pmatrix}$$

such that

$$W^T \mathcal{M}_{D+M} W = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_\nu & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{M}_\nu^{\text{heavy}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Square root understood as  $\sqrt{1-x} = 1 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 - \dots$

$B$  is function of  $M_D, M_R$ , expansion in  $m_D/m_R$

One can show:  $B = B_1 + B_3 + B_5 + \dots$ ,  $B_n$  of order  $(m_D/m_R)^n$

Recursive solution  $B_1 = (M_R^{-1} M_D)^\dagger$  Schechter, Valle 1982

$$W \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{1}{2} B_1 B_1^\dagger & B_1 \\ -B_1^\dagger & 1 - \frac{1}{2} B_1^\dagger B_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Mass matrix of light  $\nu$ s:  $\mathcal{M}_\nu = -M_D^T M_R^{-1} M_D$

Mass matrix of heavy  $\nu$ s:  $\mathcal{M}_\nu^{\text{heavy}} = M_R$

Corrections to  $\mathcal{M}_\nu$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_\nu^{\text{heavy}}$  suppressed by  $(m_D/m_R)^2$

Diagonalization:  $(U_R^\ell)^\dagger M_\ell U_L^\ell = \hat{m}_\ell$ ,  $V^T \mathcal{M}_\nu V = \hat{m}$

Mixing matrix:  $U_M = (U_L^\ell)^\dagger V$

3 sources for  $\nu$  mixing:  $M_\ell$ ,  $M_D$ ,  $M_R$

Seesaw mechanism rich playground for model building!!!

Scales: choose  $m_\nu \sim \sqrt{\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2} \sim 0.05$  eV

$m_D \sim m_{\mu,\tau} \Rightarrow m_R \sim 10^8 \div 10^{11}$  GeV

Could seesaw scale  $m_R$  be identical with the GUT scale

$M_{\text{GUT}} \simeq 2 \times 10^{16}$  GeV?

$m_D \lesssim v$  with ew. scale  $v = 174$  GeV  $\Rightarrow$

$m_\nu \sim v^2/M_{\text{GUT}} \sim 1.5 \times 10^{-3}$  eV  $\Rightarrow$  too small!

MSSM gauge coupling unification at  $M_{\text{GUT}}$ , no intermediate scale!

Rules out minimal SUSY  $SO(10)$  GUT  $\rightarrow$  hot research topic

## (b) Additional scalar multiplets

Leptonic SM multiplets: (irreps denoted by weak isospin)

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 SU(2) \times U(1) & \\
 D_L \quad \underline{\frac{1}{2}} \quad Y = -1 & \text{left-handed doublets} \\
 \ell_R \quad \underline{0} \quad Y = -2 & \text{right-handed singlets}
 \end{array}$$

Leptonic bilinears (Konetschny, Kummer 1977 [3]):

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \bar{D}_L \otimes \ell_R & \underline{\frac{1}{2}} \otimes \underline{0} = \underline{\frac{1}{2}} & Y = -1 & \phi \quad \text{doublet } Y = +1 \\
 D_L \otimes D_L & \underline{\frac{1}{2}} \otimes \underline{\frac{1}{2}} = \underline{0} \oplus \underline{1} & Y = -2 & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \eta^+ & \text{singlet } Y = +2 \\ \Delta & \text{triplet } Y = +2 \end{array} \right. \\
 \ell_R \otimes \ell_R & \underline{0} \otimes \underline{0} = \underline{0} & Y = -4 & k^{++} \quad \text{singlet } Y = +4
 \end{array}$$

Complete SM list!

Add  $\nu_R \otimes \nu_R$ :  $\underline{0} \otimes \underline{0} = \underline{0}$ ,  $Y = 0 \Rightarrow$  singlet  $\chi$  (real or complex)

Zee model: SM with  $2\phi + \eta^+$  Zee 1980

$$\mathcal{L} = \dots + f_{\alpha\beta} D_{\alpha L}^T C^{-1} i\tau_2 D_{\beta L} \eta^+ - \mu \phi_1^\dagger \tilde{\phi}_2 \eta^+ + \text{H.c.}$$

Note:  $f_{\alpha\beta} = -f_{\beta\alpha}$       Lepton number:

	$D_L$	$\ell_R$	$\phi_{1,2}$	$\eta^+$
$L$	1	1	0	-2

$\nu$  masses  $\Rightarrow L$  must be broken

$L$  explicitly broken by  $\mu$ -term  $\rightarrow$  two Higgs doublets!

(if  $\phi_1 = \phi_2 = \phi \Rightarrow \phi^\dagger \tilde{\phi} \equiv 0$ )

Restricted Zee model: Wolfenstein 1980

Only  $\phi_1$  couples to leptons via symmetry

$$D_L \rightarrow iD_L, \ell_R \rightarrow i\ell_R, \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_1, \phi_2 \rightarrow -\phi_2, \eta^+ \rightarrow -\eta^+$$

$\Rightarrow$  1-loop  $\nu$  masses:  $\mathcal{M}_\nu \propto \left( (m_\alpha^2 - m_\beta^2) f_{\alpha\beta} \right)$

Most general Majorana mass matrix with zeros on the diagonal  $\rightarrow$  3-parameter mass matrix! (after removal of unphysical phases)

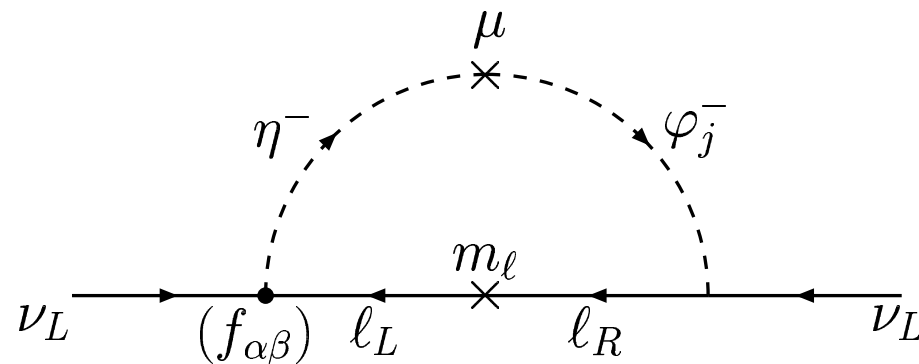
## Results:

- \* Solar mixing maximal! (Jarlskog et al.; Frampton, Glashow)
- \* Fine-tuning  $m_\tau^2 |f_{e\tau}| \simeq m_\mu^2 |f_{e\mu}|$
- \* Small  $\nu$  masses because  $|f_{\alpha\beta}| \lesssim 10^{-4}$

Note: If  $(\mathcal{M}_\nu)_{ee} \neq 0 \rightarrow$  interesting viable mass matrix

Straightforward remedy for non-maximal solar mixing:

Couple both  $\phi_{1,2}$ : non-maximal solar mixing admitted



## 1-loop Majorana $\nu$ masses in the Zee model

Note: Majorana mass term corresponds to transition  $\nu_L \rightarrow (\nu_L)^c$   
 because  $\nu_L^T C^{-1} \nu_L = -\overline{(\nu_L)^c} \nu_L$



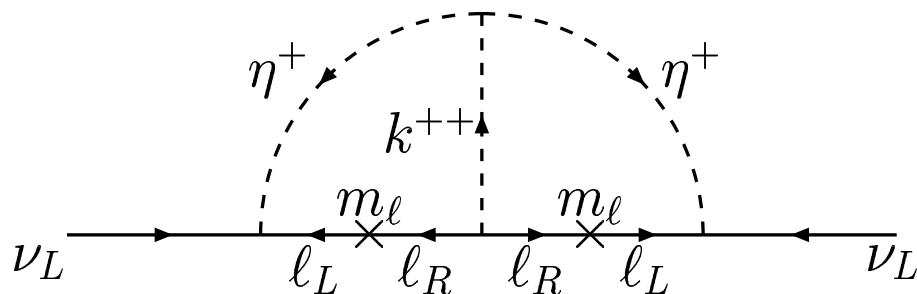
Zee-Babu model: SM +  $\eta^+$  +  $k^{++}$  Babu 1988

$$\mathcal{L} = \dots + f_{\alpha\beta} D_{\alpha L}^T C^{-1} i\tau_2 D_{\beta L} \eta^+ + h_{\alpha\beta} \ell_{\alpha R}^T C^{-1} \ell_{\beta R} k^{++} - \mu \eta^- \eta^- k^{++} + \text{H.c.}$$

Note:  $h_{\alpha\beta} = h_{\beta\alpha}$   $L(k^{++}) = -2$   $L$  explicitly broken by  $\mu$ -term!

2-loop  $\nu$  masses:  $\mathcal{M}_\nu \propto \tilde{f} \hat{m}_\ell \tilde{h}^* \hat{m}_\ell \tilde{f}$

with  $\tilde{f} = (f_{\alpha\beta})$ ,  $\tilde{h} = (h_{\alpha\beta})$ ,  $\hat{m}_\ell = \text{diag}(m_e, m_\mu, m_\tau)$



## Properties of the model:

- $\tilde{f}$  antisymm.  $\Rightarrow$  lightest  $\nu$  mass  $m_0 = 0$
- $\nu$  mass hierarchy: fine-tuning ([Babu, Macesanu](#))  
 $|h_{\mu\mu}| : |h_{\mu\tau}| : |h_{\tau\tau}| \simeq 1 : (m_\mu/m_\tau) : (m_\mu/m_\tau)^2$
- Scalar masses in TeV range
- $|f_{\alpha\beta}|, |h_{\alpha\beta}| \lesssim 0.1 \Rightarrow \nu$  masses naturally small!
- Rare decays  $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu, \mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  within reach of forthcoming experiments

**Radiative  $\nu$  mass generation:** Hierarchy of charged lepton masses goes into neutrino masses  $\Rightarrow$  finetuning of Yukawa couplings

### Triplet model: SM + $\Delta$

$$\mathcal{L} = \dots + \frac{1}{2} g_{\alpha\beta} D_{L\alpha}^T C^{-1} i\tau_2 \Delta D_{L\beta} + \text{h.c.} \\ - M^2 \text{Tr} \Delta^\dagger \Delta - \left( \mu \phi^\dagger \Delta \tilde{\phi} + \text{h.c.} \right) - \dots$$

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} H^+ & \sqrt{2}H^{++} \\ \sqrt{2}H^0 & -H^+ \end{pmatrix}, \quad \langle H^0 \rangle_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} v_T$$

Note:  $g_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\beta\alpha}$

$L(\Delta) = -2$ ,  $L$  explicitly broken by  $\mu$ -term!

Tree-level  $\nu$  masses:  $\mathcal{M}_\nu = v_T (g_{\alpha\beta})$

Gelmini, Roncadelli (1981)

LEP data:  $|v_T|/v \lesssim 0.03$  Erler, Langacker

Small  $\nu$  masses by small  $v_T \sim 0.1 \div 1$  eV!

**$SU(2)$ -invariance of triplet coupling:**  $U \in SU(2)$

$$D_L \rightarrow U D_L, \Delta \rightarrow U \Delta U^\dagger$$

Invariance because of  $U^T i\tau_2 U = i\tau_2$

**Charge-eigenfields of triplet:**  $\Delta = \sum_{j=1}^3 \delta_j \tau_j, Y_\Delta = 2$

$$\mathbb{Q} = T_3 + \frac{1}{2} Y \Rightarrow \mathbb{Q}\Delta = \frac{1}{2} [\tau_3, \Delta] + \Delta$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta_3 & \delta_1 - i\delta_2 \\ \delta_1 + i\delta_2 & -\delta_3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_3 & 2(\delta_1 - i\delta_2) \\ 0(\delta_1 + i\delta_2) & -\delta_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow H^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\delta_1 + i\delta_2), H^+ = \delta_3, H^{++} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\delta_1 - i\delta_2)$$

**How to get small  $v_T$ :** Assumption  $M, |\mu| \gg v$

$$\langle V \rangle_0 = M^2 v_T^* v_T + v^2 \mu v_T + v^2 \mu^* v_T^* + \dots$$

Dots contain terms of order  $v^4, v_T^2 v^2$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_T^*} \langle V \rangle_0 = M^2 v_T + v^2 \mu^* + \mathcal{O}(v_T v^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |v_T| \simeq |\mu| v^2 / M^2 \quad \text{Scalar or type II seesaw [4]}$$

Generation of small  $m_\nu$ : Triplet model needs small  $v_T \Rightarrow$   
new scale in scalar sector (analogy to seesaw mechanism of type I)

Seesaw type I+II are naturally obtained in  $SO(10)$  GUTs

## Type I+II seesaw mechanism:

$$\mathcal{M}_{D+M} = \begin{pmatrix} M_L & M_D^T \\ M_D & M_R \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ C(\bar{\nu}_R)^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_\nu = M_L - M_D^T M_R^{-1} M_D$$

Note:  $B = B_1 + B_2 + B_3 + \dots$  (expansion in  $1/m_R$ )  
 $M_L$  can also appear via loop corrections in some models

## Specific $\nu$ mass and mixing model

### A specific mass matrix:

Majorana mass term  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{maj}} = \frac{1}{2} \nu_L^T C^{-1} \mathcal{M}_\nu \nu_L + \text{H.c.}$

Basis where charged-lepton mass matrix is diagonal:

$$\mathcal{M}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} x & y & y \\ y & z & w \\ y & w & z \end{pmatrix} \quad x, y, z, w \in \mathbb{C}$$

Defining relation:  $\mu$ - $\tau$  interchange symmetry

$$S \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow S \mathcal{M}_\nu S = \mathcal{M}_\nu$$

Phenomenology of the mass matrix:  $V^T \mathcal{M}_\nu V = \hat{m}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x & y & y \\ y & z & w \\ y & w & z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = (z - w) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow m_3 = |z - w|$$

$$V = \text{diag}(e^{i\varphi_e}, e^{i\varphi_\mu}, -e^{i\varphi_\mu}) \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{\cos \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{\cos \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \text{diag}(e^{i\rho}, e^{i\sigma}, 1)$$

**Angles:**

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{13} &= 0^\circ \\ \theta_{23} &= 45^\circ \\ \theta_{12} &\equiv \theta \\ &\text{arbitrary} \end{aligned}$$

**Phases:**

no CKM phase!  
Majorana phases  
 $\rho, \sigma$

**Masses:**  
free!

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{\text{atm}} = 4 |U_{\mu 3}|^2 (1 - |U_{\mu 3}|^2) = 1$$



Remarks:

- $\mathcal{M}_\nu$  compatible with all data
- Removing 2 unphysical phases,  $\mathcal{M}_\nu$  has 6 real parameters corresponding to  $m_{1,2,3}$ ,  $\theta_{12}$ , Majorana phases  $\rho$ ,  $\sigma$
- Form of mass matrix fixes  $\theta_{13} = 0^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{23} = 45^\circ$
- Third line of  $U$  has factor  $-1$  compared to standard parameterization of  $U$

Perturbation of  $\mathcal{M}_\nu$ :

$$\mathcal{M}_{\nu f} = \mathcal{M}_\nu + \delta\mathcal{M}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} x & y(1 + \epsilon) & y(1 - \epsilon) \\ y(1 + \epsilon) & z(1 + \epsilon') & w \\ y(1 - \epsilon) & w & z(1 - \epsilon') \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $|\epsilon| \ll 1$ ,  $|\epsilon'| \ll 1$

Note:  $S\mathcal{M}_\nu S = \mathcal{M}_\nu$ ,  $S\delta\mathcal{M}_\nu S = -\delta\mathcal{M}_\nu$

$$\Rightarrow \delta\mathcal{M}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon_1 & -\epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_1 & \epsilon_2 & 0 \\ -\epsilon_1 & 0 & -\epsilon_2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ with def. } \epsilon_1 = y\epsilon, \epsilon_2 = z\epsilon'$$

Physical parameters:  $\text{Re } \epsilon$ ,  $\text{Re } \epsilon'$ ,  $\text{Im } (2\epsilon - \epsilon')$

Definitions:  $\hat{m}_1 = e^{-2i\rho} m_1$ ,  $\hat{m}_2 = e^{-2i\sigma} m_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
\cos 2\theta_{23} = & \left\{ \frac{c_{12}^2}{m_2^2 - m_3^2} [m_3^2 + c_{12}^2 m_2^2 + s_{12}^2 \operatorname{Re}(\hat{m}_1 \hat{m}_2^* + \hat{m}_1 m_3)] \right. \\
& + (1 + c_{12}^2) \operatorname{Re}(\hat{m}_2 m_3) \\
& + \frac{s_{12}^2}{m_1^2 - m_3^2} [m_3^2 + s_{12}^2 m_1^2 + c_{12}^2 \operatorname{Re}(\hat{m}_2 \hat{m}_1^* + \hat{m}_2 m_3) \\
& \left. + (1 + s_{12}^2) \operatorname{Re}(\hat{m}_1 m_3)] \right\} \operatorname{Re} \epsilon' \\
& + 2c_{12}^2 s_{12}^2 \left[ \frac{m_2^2 - \operatorname{Re}(\hat{m}_1 \hat{m}_2^* + \hat{m}_1 m_3 - \hat{m}_2 m_3)}{m_2^2 - m_3^2} \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{m_1^2 - \operatorname{Re}(\hat{m}_1 \hat{m}_2^* - \hat{m}_1 m_3 + \hat{m}_2 m_3)}{m_1^2 - m_3^2} \right] \operatorname{Re} \epsilon \\
& + \frac{c_{12}^2 s_{12}^2 (m_1^2 - m_2^2)}{(m_3^2 - m_1^2)(m_3^2 - m_2^2)} \operatorname{Im}(\hat{m}_1 \hat{m}_2^* + \hat{m}_1 m_3 + \hat{m}_2^* m_3) \operatorname{Im}(2\epsilon - \epsilon'),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{U_{e3}}{c_{12}s_{12}} &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{m_2^2 - m_3^2} [s_{12}^2 \hat{m}_1 \hat{m}_2^* + s_{12}^2 \hat{m}_1^* m_3 + (1 + c_{12}^2) \hat{m}_2^* m_3 + m_3^2 + c_{12}^2 m_2^2] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{1}{m_3^2 - m_1^2} [c_{12}^2 \hat{m}_1^* \hat{m}_2 + c_{12}^2 \hat{m}_2^* m_3 + (1 + s_{12}^2) \hat{m}_1^* m_3 + m_3^2 + s_{12}^2 m_1^2] \right\} \\
&\quad \times \text{Re } \epsilon' \\
&\quad + \left[ \frac{s_{12}^2}{m_2^2 - m_3^2} (m_2^2 - \hat{m}_1 \hat{m}_2^* - \hat{m}_1^* m_3 + \hat{m}_2^* m_3) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{c_{12}^2}{m_3^2 - m_1^2} (m_1^2 - \hat{m}_1^* \hat{m}_2 + \hat{m}_1^* m_3 - \hat{m}_2^* m_3) \right] \text{Re } \epsilon \\
&\quad + \frac{i}{2} \left[ \frac{s_{12}^2}{m_2^2 - m_3^2} (m_2^2 - \hat{m}_1 \hat{m}_2^* + \hat{m}_1^* m_3 - \hat{m}_2^* m_3) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{c_{12}^2}{m_3^2 - m_1^2} (m_1^2 - \hat{m}_1^* \hat{m}_2 - \hat{m}_1^* m_3 + \hat{m}_2^* m_3) \right] \text{Im } (2\epsilon - \epsilon').
\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore:  $m_{1,2,3}, \theta_{12}$  not changed in first order in  $\epsilon, \epsilon'$

### Results:

- \*  $\epsilon, \epsilon'$  induce non-zero  $U_{e3}$  and shifts  $\theta_{23}$  away from  $45^\circ$
- \* CKM phase is induced (depends on  $\rho, \sigma, \text{Im}(2\epsilon - \epsilon')$ )
- \* Normal and inverted hierarchy: induced  $U_{e3}, \cos 2\theta_{23}$  small
- \* Degenerate spectrum: in general, induced  $U_{e3}, \cos 2\theta_{23}$  strongly enhanced by  $m_0^2/\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2$  (common mass  $m_0$ )  
However:  $\rho = \sigma = 0 \Rightarrow U_{e3}$  small

Remark: We have *not* specified mechanism for  $\epsilon, \epsilon'$ !

E.g., radiative corrections

Suppose at high scale  $S$ -invariant  $\nu$  mass matrix  $\Rightarrow$  enhancement in the degenerate case via RG running ([Grimus, Kaneko, Joshipura, Lavoura, Sawanaka, Tanimoto, hep-ph/0408123](#))

Is there a symmetry connection between small  $U_{e3}$  and (nearly) maximal neutrino mixing?

In general no connection!

Models:

- Groups  $O(2)$ ,  $D_4 \rightarrow$  (Grimus, Lavoura)  $\theta_{13} = 0^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{23} = 45^\circ$
- Groups  $A_4$  (Babu, Ma, Valle), non-standard CP (Grimus, Lavoura)  $\rightarrow \theta_{13}$  arbitrary,  $\theta_{23} = 45^\circ$
- Groups  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  (C. Low),  $D_4$  (Grimus, Joshipura, Kaneko, Lavoura, Tamimoto)  $\rightarrow \theta_{13} = 0^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{23}$  arbitrary

Discuss in the following example the model of [5] based on  $O(2)$

## The $\mu$ - $\tau$ -symmetric mass matrix and $O(2)$

**The group  $O(2)$ :** Symmetric group in the plane

Abstract characterization:

**Rotations:**  $g(\theta)$  with  $g(\theta + 2\pi) = g(\theta)$ ,  $g(\theta_1) g(\theta_2) = g(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$

**Reflexion at  $x$ -axis:**  $s$  with  $s^2 = e$

**Defining relation:**  $s g(\theta) s = g(-\theta)$

**Irreducible representations:**

Two 1-dimensional irreps:

$$\underline{1} : g(\theta) \rightarrow 1, s \rightarrow 1, \quad \underline{1}' : g(\theta) \rightarrow 1, s \rightarrow -1.$$

Infinite series of 2-dimensional irreps characterized by  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\underline{2}^{(n)} : g(\theta) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} e^{in\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-in\theta} \end{pmatrix}, \quad s \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Tensor products:

$$m > n : \quad \underline{\underline{2}}^{(m)} \otimes \underline{\underline{2}}^{(n)} = \underline{\underline{2}}^{(m+n)} \oplus \underline{\underline{2}}^{(m-n)}$$

with the bases

$$\underline{\underline{2}}^{(m+n)} : \quad e_1 \otimes e_1, e_2 \otimes e_2, \quad \underline{\underline{2}}^{(m-n)} : \quad e_1 \otimes e_2, e_2 \otimes e_1$$

$$m = n : \quad \underline{\underline{2}}^{(n)} \otimes \underline{\underline{2}}^{(n)} = \underline{\underline{1}} \oplus \underline{\underline{1}}' \oplus \underline{\underline{2}}^{(2n)}$$

with the bases

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\underline{2}}^{(2n)} : \quad & e_1 \otimes e_1, e_2 \otimes e_2 \\ \underline{\underline{1}} : \quad & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1), \quad \underline{\underline{1}}' : \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1) \end{aligned}$$



**Multiplets:** SM with  $3 \phi_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, 3$ ) +  $3 \nu_R$

**Symmetries:**

▷  $U(1)_{L_\alpha}$  ( $\alpha = e, \mu, \tau$ )

\* softly broken by  $\nu_R$  mass term (dim 3)!

▷  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{tr})}$  :  $\begin{cases} D_{\mu L} \leftrightarrow D_{\tau L}, \mu_R \leftrightarrow \tau_R, \\ \nu_{\mu R} \leftrightarrow \nu_{\tau R}, \phi_3 \rightarrow -\phi_3; \end{cases}$

\* spontaneously broken by  $\langle \phi_3 \rangle_0$

▷  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{aux})}$  :  $\nu_{eR}, \nu_{\mu R}, \nu_{\tau R}, \phi_1, e_R$  change sign

\* Spontaneously broken by  $\langle \phi_1 \rangle_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_Y = & -y_1 \bar{D}_{eL} \nu_{eR} \tilde{\phi}_1 - y_2 (\bar{D}_{\mu L} \nu_{\mu R} + \bar{D}_{\tau L} \nu_{\tau R}) \tilde{\phi}_1 \\ & -y_3 \bar{D}_{eL} e_R \phi_1 - y_4 (\bar{D}_{\mu L} \mu_R + \bar{D}_{\tau L} \tau_R) \phi_2 \\ & -y_5 (\bar{D}_{\mu L} \mu_R - \bar{D}_{\tau L} \tau_R) \phi_3 + \text{H.c.} \end{aligned}$$

**Mass matrix:**  $\mathcal{L}_M = \frac{1}{2} \nu_R^T C^{-1} M_R^* \nu_R + \text{H.c.}$

$\mathcal{L}_M$  invariant under  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{tr})}$  but not under  $U(1)_{L_\alpha}$

$$M_D = \text{diag}(a, b, b), \quad M_R = \begin{pmatrix} m & n & n \\ n & p & q \\ n & q & p \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{tr})} \text{ invariance: } & SM_D S = M_D, \quad SM_R S = M_R \\ \Rightarrow SM_\nu S = \mathcal{M}_\nu & \text{ with } \mathcal{M}_\nu = -M_D^T M_R^{-1} M_D \Rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} x & y & y \\ y & z & w \\ y & w & z \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } x, y, z, w \in \mathbb{C}$$

Non-abelian part in symmetry group:

$U(1)_{L_\mu} \times U(1)_{L_\tau}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{tr})}$  do not commute  $\rightarrow$  generate  $O(2)$   
 $s \leftrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{tr})}$ ,  $g(\theta) \leftrightarrow e^{i\theta(L_\mu - L_\tau)} \Rightarrow (D_{\mu L}, D_{\tau L})$  etc.  $\in \underline{2}^{(1)}$ ,  $\phi_3 \in \underline{1}'$

$$U(1)_{L_e} \times U(1)_{L_\mu + L_\tau} \times O(2) \times \mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{aux})}$$

## The problem of $m_\mu \ll m_\tau$ :

Expectation:

$$|y_4 v_2| \sim |y_5 v_3| \Rightarrow m_\mu \sim m_\tau$$

However, we need  $m_\mu = |y_4 v_2 + y_5 v_3| \ll m_\tau = |y_4 v_2 - y_5 v_3|$

Technical solution of this finetuning problem:

$$K : \quad \mu_R \rightarrow -\mu_R, \quad \phi_2 \leftrightarrow \phi_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad y_4 = -y_5 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{m_\mu}{m_\tau} = \left| \frac{v_2 - v_3}{v_2 + v_3} \right|$$

Implementation of  $K$  in Higgs potential:  $v_2 = v_3$  and  $m_\mu = 0$

Soft breaking of  $K$  by term of dimension 2 in Higgs potential:

$m_\mu \neq 0$ ,  $m_\mu \ll m_\tau$  technically natural

$$V = V_\phi + V_{\text{soft}} \quad (V_\phi \text{ } K\text{-invariant})$$

$$V_{\text{soft}} = \mu_{\text{soft}}^2 \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_2 - \phi_3^\dagger \phi_3 \right) \quad \text{Unique soft } K\text{-breaking term of dim 2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_\phi = & -\mu_1^2 \phi_1^\dagger \phi_1 - \mu_2^2 \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_2 + \phi_3^\dagger \phi_3 \right) \\ & + \lambda_1 \left( \phi_1^\dagger \phi_1 \right)^2 + \lambda_2 \left[ \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_2 \right)^2 + \left( \phi_3^\dagger \phi_3 \right)^2 \right] \\ & + \lambda_3 \left( \phi_1^\dagger \phi_1 \right) \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_2 + \phi_3^\dagger \phi_3 \right) + \lambda_4 \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_2 \right) \left( \phi_3^\dagger \phi_3 \right) \\ & + \lambda_5 \left[ \left( \phi_1^\dagger \phi_2 \right) \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_1 \right) + \left( \phi_1^\dagger \phi_3 \right) \left( \phi_3^\dagger \phi_1 \right) \right] + \lambda_6 \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_3 \right) \left( \phi_3^\dagger \phi_2 \right) \\ & + \lambda_7 \left[ \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_3 \right)^2 + \left( \phi_3^\dagger \phi_2 \right)^2 \right] \\ & + \lambda_8 \left[ \left( \phi_1^\dagger \phi_2 \right)^2 + \left( \phi_1^\dagger \phi_3 \right)^2 \right] + \lambda_8^* \left[ \left( \phi_2^\dagger \phi_1 \right)^2 + \left( \phi_3^\dagger \phi_1 \right)^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $V$  invariant under three independent sign changes  $\phi_j \rightarrow -\phi_j$

All coupling constants real except  $\lambda_8$

Ansatz:  $v_2 = u e^{i\alpha} \cos \sigma, v_3 = u e^{i\beta} \sin \sigma$   $v_1 > 0, u > 0$  [6]

$$F_\phi \equiv \langle 0 | V_\phi | 0 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_\phi = & -\mu_1^2 v_1^2 - \mu_2^2 u^2 + \lambda_1 v_1^4 + \lambda_2 u^4 + (\lambda_3 + \lambda_5) v_1^2 u^2 \\ & + \left[ \tilde{\lambda} - 4\lambda_7 \sin^2 (\alpha - \beta) \right] u^4 \cos^2 \sigma \sin^2 \sigma \\ & + 2 |\lambda_8| v_1^2 u^2 \left[ \cos^2 \sigma \cos (\epsilon + 2\alpha) + \sin^2 \sigma \cos (\epsilon + 2\beta) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\lambda} \equiv -2\lambda_2 + \lambda_4 + \lambda_6 + 2\lambda_7, \epsilon \equiv \arg \lambda_8$$

If  $\tilde{\lambda} < 0$  and  $\lambda_7 < 0 \Rightarrow$  minimum of  $F_\phi$  at  $\sigma = \frac{\pi}{4}, \alpha = \beta = \frac{\pi - \epsilon}{2}$

$$v_2 = v_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u e^{i(\pi - \epsilon)/2}$$

$$\langle V_{\text{soft}} \rangle_0 = \mu_{\text{soft}}^2 u^2 \cos 2\sigma \Rightarrow \cos 2\sigma = \frac{2\mu_{\text{soft}}^2}{\tilde{\lambda} u^2}, \frac{m_\mu}{m_\tau} = \frac{|\cos 2\sigma|}{1 + \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 2\sigma}}$$

How the model functions:

- ↪  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{tr})} \Rightarrow M_{D\mu\mu} = M_{D\tau\tau}$ ,  $M_R$  and, therefore,  $\mathcal{M}_\nu$  are  $\mu$ - $\tau$ -invariant
- ↪  $M_\ell$  diagonal because of lepton numbers
- ↪ Consequently, atm. mixing maximal!  
At the same time, solar mixing large,  $U_{e3} = 0$
- ↪ Auxiliary symmetry  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{aux})} \Rightarrow \phi_{2,3}$  do not couple to  $\bar{\nu}_R D_L$
- ↪  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{(\text{tr})}$  spontaneously broken VEV of  $\phi_3 \Rightarrow m_\mu \neq m_\tau$
- ↪  $\Delta m_\odot^2 / \Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2 \sim 0.03$  reproduced by values  $2 \div 3$  of ratios of elements of  $M_{D,R}$ !  
Reproduced by tuning

Remark:  $\mu$ - $\tau$ -invariance at seesaw scale  $\Rightarrow$  RG running changes  $\mathcal{M}_\nu$  very little,  $s_{13}$  at most 0.1 for  $m_0 \simeq 0.3$  eV

## General framework: Seesaw mechanism and soft $L_\alpha$ breaking

$$\mathcal{M}_\nu = -M_D^T M_R^{-1} M_D$$

SM with  $n_H \phi + 3\nu_R + \text{soft } L_{e,\mu,\tau}$  breaking by  $\frac{1}{2} \nu_R^T C^{-1} M_R^* \nu_R$

\* Renormalizable theory!

In particular, lepton-flavour-changing amplitudes finite!

\* Soft  $L_\alpha$  breaking by  $\nu_R$  mass term at *high* scale  $m_R$ !

\* Yukawa couplings diagonal  $\Rightarrow M_\ell, M_D$  diagonal

\*  $M_R$  only source of  $\nu$  mixing

\* Non-decoupling in the scalar sector for  $n_H > 1$  for  $m_R \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$

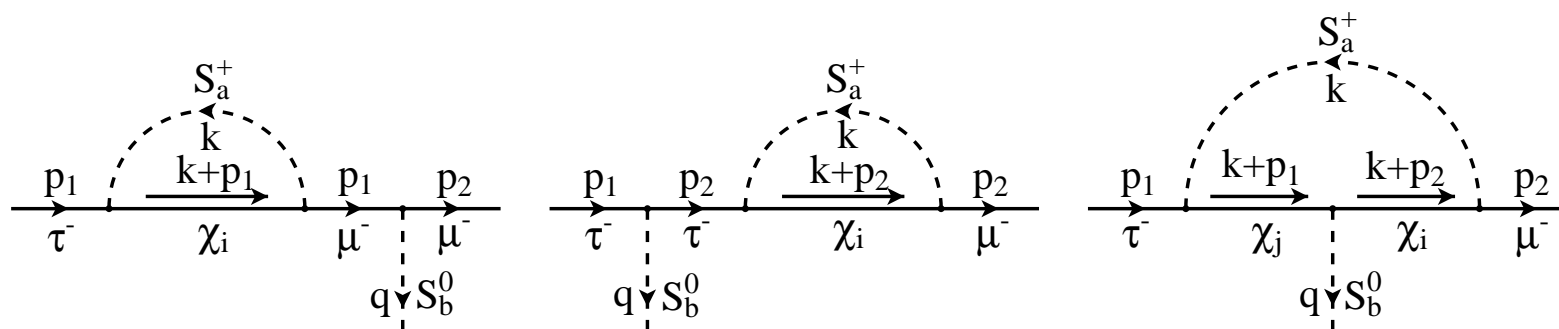
▷ Amplitude of, e.g.,  $\mu \rightarrow 3e$  constant, suppressed by product of 4 Yukawa couplings, within exp. reach?

▷ Amplitudes of  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma, Z \rightarrow e^- \mu^+, \dots \propto 1/m_R^2$



Flavour-changing neutral-scalar vertex:

Does not vanish for  $m_R \rightarrow \infty$



Decays unsuppressed by  $1/m_R$ :

$$\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-, \tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+ e^-, \tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-, \tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$$

Suppressed decays:

$$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^- e^+, \tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^- \mu^+ \text{ (box diagrams)}$$

## Further specification of mixing matrix:

Tri-bimaximal mixing (Harrison, Perkins, Scott 2002)

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{\cos \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{\cos \theta}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\theta = 35.3^\circ$  perfectly OK!

Family symmetry requires 3-dim irreps  $\rightarrow$  very complicated models

How to incorporate presented idea(s) into  $SO(10)$  GUTs?

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