

# Neutrino Masses in the MSSM

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# A supersymmetric standard model

Find the most general Lagrangian which is

- invariant under Lorentz,  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  and supersymmetry transformations; renormalizable
- minimal in particle content

Neither lepton number (L) nor baryon number (B) are conserved

Two options:

- constrain lagrangian parameters
  - impose a further discrete symmetry when constructing the lagrangian
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Ibanez & Ross (1991) show that there are two preferred discrete symmetries, R-parity and a  $Z_3$  allowing  $\mathcal{L}$ .

# R-parity

Under R-parity

- Standard model particles (including scalar Higgs bosons) are even
- corresponding superpartners are odd

If R-parity is imposed when constructing the Lagrangian

- Terms in the Lagrangian which violate either  $L$  or  $B$  are excluded
  - The lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP) is stable
  - Sneutrino fields do not acquire a non-zero vacuum expectation values; R-parity is not violated spontaneously
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# R-parity conserving minimal supersymmetric standard model (Rpc-MSSM)

Neutral scalar particle content

- neutral, complex scalar components of two higgs chiral supermultiplets,  $h_2^0$  and  $h_1^0$
- neutral, complex scalar components of lepton supermultiplets,  $\tilde{\nu}_{Li}$

If  $R_P$  conservation is imposed on the Lagrangian there are no bilinear terms which cause mixing between fields with different  $R_P$ .

No mixing between Higgs bosons and sneutrinos.

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The neutral scalars decouple into CP-even and CP-odd real scalar eigenstates  
The Higgs bosons

$$\{h_2^0, h_1^0\} \longrightarrow \{h^0, H^0, A^0, G^0\}$$

and the sneutrinos

$$\tilde{\nu}_{Li} \longrightarrow \{\tilde{\nu}_{+i}, \tilde{\nu}_{-i}\}$$

The scalar potential can be minimised to obtain values for the vacuum expectation values (vevs) of  $h_2^0$  and  $h_1^0$ .

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# L violating minimal supersymmetric standard model ( $\mathcal{L}$ -MSSM)

Without imposing the conservation of  $L$  on the Lagrangian, bilinear terms exist between (and hence, mixing occurs between)

- charged gauginos, charged higgsinos and charged leptons
- neutral gauginos, neutral higgsinos and neutrinos
- Higgs bosons, sneutrinos
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giving rise to some attractive features.

## Neutrino Masses

The mixing between neutrinos and neutral gauginos/higgsinos produces one tree-level, 'see-saw' suppressed, neutrino mass.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_\nu^{\text{tree}} \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$m_\nu^{\text{tree}} = \left| \frac{v_d^2 (M_1 g_2^2 + M_2 g^2)}{4 \text{Det}[M_{\chi^0}]} \right| (|\kappa_1|^2 + |\kappa_2|^2 + |\kappa_3|^2)$$

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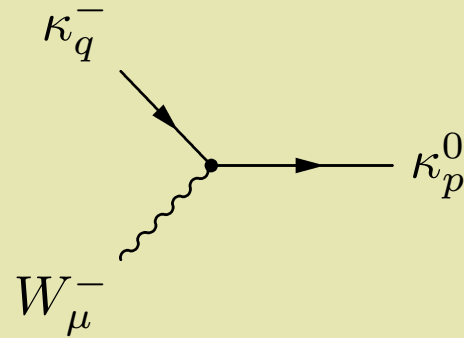
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- We have studied the scalar and fermion sector without making any assumptions concerning the CP or family structure of the theory, finding a basis suitable for calculation.
- A method for initialising parameters has been found, such that the correct values are generated for lepton/quark masses and CKM/PMNS matrices.
- FORTRAN code has been developed to produce the tree-level mass spectrum, mixing matrices and Feynman rules.
- The renormalisation of the theory has been studied, one-loop corrections to the neutralino-neutrino masses have been derived and implemented within the code.

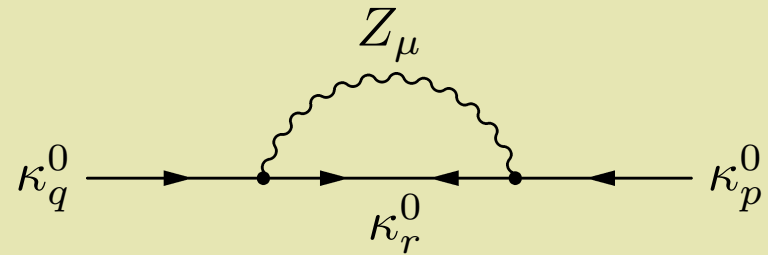
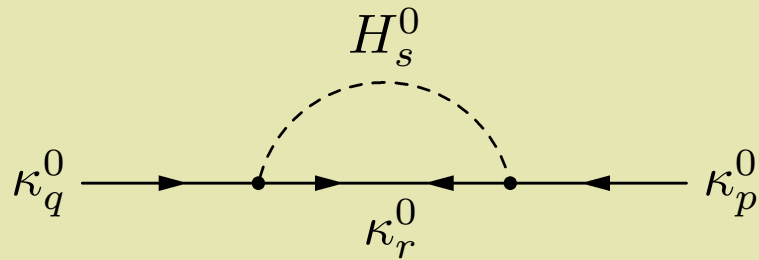
## Vertex



$$\left\{ \frac{ie}{\sqrt{2}s_W} Z_{N(4+\alpha)p}^* Z_{-(2+\alpha)q}^* + \frac{ie}{s_W} Z_{N2p}^* Z_{-1q}^* \right\} \gamma^\mu P_L$$

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# Loop Diagrams



Other loops:  
Neutralino/CP-odd Higgs  
Chargino/charged Higgs  
Quark/squark

Chargino/W-boson

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# Summary

- Our aim is to study the phenomenology of the most general  $\mathcal{L}$ -MSSM
- The full set of Feynman rules have been derived
- The one-loop corrections to the neutrino masses have been calculated
- This is interesting to compare limits on  $\lambda/\lambda'$  with Tevatron/B-factory analyses
- Can now go on to study other processes connected with neutrino masses; neutrinoless double beta decay, lepton flavour violating events such as  $\tau$  decays, ...



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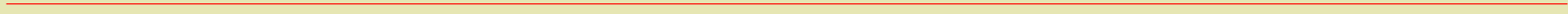
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$$\langle h_2^0 \rangle = v_u \quad \langle h_1^0 \rangle = v_d \quad \langle \tilde{\nu}_{Li} \rangle = v_i$$



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$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{N}} = \left( \begin{array}{cc} M_{\tilde{\chi}}^{4 \times 4} & m_{4 \times 3} \\ m_{3 \times 4}^T & 0_{3 \times 3} \end{array} \right)$$

Suggestive of the seesaw mechanism

4 eigenvalues  $\sim M_{\tilde{\chi}}$       3 eigenvalues  $\sim \frac{mm^T}{M_{\tilde{\chi}}}$

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The mass<sup>2</sup> given by eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{N}}^\dagger \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{N}}$

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$$n = \begin{pmatrix} -gv_d/\sqrt{2} & -gv_1/\sqrt{2} & -gv_2/\sqrt{2} & -gv_3/\sqrt{2} \\ g_2v_d/\sqrt{2} & g_2v_1/\sqrt{2} & g_2v_2/\sqrt{2} & g_2v_3/\sqrt{2} \\ \mu & \kappa_1 & \kappa_2 & \kappa_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$n$  has 3 linearly dependant rows, giving two zero eigenvalues with corresponding eigenvectors  $\vec{e}_{1,2}$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{N}}\vec{q}_i = \begin{pmatrix} N_{4 \times 3} & n_{4 \times 4} \\ n'_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 4} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \vec{e}_i \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_i \vec{e}_i \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\vec{q}_{1,2}$  are zero eigenvectors of the full matrix.

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where

$$(\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{\mathcal{L}}}^2)_{\alpha\beta} \equiv (m_{\tilde{\mathcal{L}}}^2)_{\alpha\beta} + \mu_\alpha^* \mu_\beta, \quad m_2^2 \equiv m_{H_2}^2 + \mu_\alpha^* \mu_\alpha$$

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Redefine the sneutrino fields

$$\tilde{\nu}_{L\alpha} = U_{\alpha\beta} \tilde{\nu}'_{L\beta}, \quad \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{V} \text{diag}(e^{i\phi_\alpha}) \mathbf{Z}, \quad \mathbf{V} \text{ unitary, } \mathbf{Z} \text{ orthogonal.}$$

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$$V_{\text{neutral}} = \left[ Z^T (\hat{\mathcal{M}}'^2_{\tilde{\mathcal{L}}}) Z \right]_{\alpha\beta} \tilde{\nu}'_{L\alpha}^* \tilde{\nu}'_{L\beta} + m_2^2 h_2^{0*} h_2^0 - \left[ (b' Z)_\alpha \tilde{\nu}'_{L\alpha} h_2^0 + \text{H.c.} \right] + \frac{1}{8} (g^2 + g_2^2) \left( h_2^{0*} h_2^0 - \tilde{\nu}'_{L\alpha}^* \tilde{\nu}'_{L\alpha} \right)^2$$


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$$Z_{\alpha 0} = \frac{b'_\alpha \tan \beta}{\left( \hat{\mathcal{M}}'_{\tilde{\mathcal{L}}} \right)_{\alpha\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} M_Z^2 \frac{\tan^2 \beta - 1}{\tan^2 \beta + 1}} .$$

However,  $Z$  is an orthogonal matrix and orthogonality must be imposed

$$\sum_{\alpha=0}^3 Z_{\alpha 0} Z_{\alpha 0} = 1$$

giving multiple solutions for  $\tan \beta = \frac{v_u}{v_0}$

Each  $\tan \beta$  corresponds to a different extrema.

By considering all solutions for  $\tan \beta$  can find the solution which corresponds to the deepest minima.

This is the correct vanishing sneutrino vev basis.

The first column of  $Z$  is now fully defined (3 parameters)

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Have the freedom to define  $3 \times 3$  orthogonal sub-matrix of  $Z$  such that

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$$\left[ \mathbf{z}^T \left( \hat{\mathcal{M}}'_{\tilde{\mathcal{L}}} \right) \mathbf{z} \right]_{ii}$$

## Scalar potential in vanishing sneutrino vev basis

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Have now moved to a basis where

- sneutrino vevs are zero
  - sneutrino masses diagonal,  $(\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{\nu}}^2)_i$
  - all the parameters of the scalar potential real; can split into CP-even and CP-odd eigenstates
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## Parametrizing the neutral scalar mass matrices

$$M_A^2 = \frac{2 B_0}{\sin 2\beta} \quad \text{and} \quad \tan \beta$$

where  $M_A^2$  is the mass of the lightest CP-odd Higgs boson in the Rpc limit.

The Lagrangian contains the terms

$$\mathcal{L} \supset - \begin{pmatrix} x_2 & r_\gamma \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{\text{EVEN}}^2 \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ r_\delta \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} y_2 & t_\gamma \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{\text{ODD}}^2 \begin{pmatrix} y_2 \\ t_\delta \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$h_2^0 = x_2 + iy_2 \quad \tilde{\nu}_{L\alpha} = r_\alpha + it_\alpha$$

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## CP-even Higgs boson mass matrix

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \beta M_A^2 + \sin^2 \beta M_Z^2 & -\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\beta (M_A^2 + M_Z^2) & -B_j \\ -\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\beta (M_A^2 + M_Z^2) & \sin^2 \beta M_A^2 + \cos^2 \beta M_Z^2 & B_j \tan \beta \\ -B_i & B_i \tan \beta & \left( (\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{\nu}}^2)_i + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2\beta M_Z^2 \right) \delta_{ij} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Noticing that the top-left  $2 \times 2$  sub-matrix is identical to the Rpc case, for which the Higgs masses are given by

$$M_{h,H}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( M_Z^2 + M_A^2 \pm \sqrt{(M_Z^2 + M_A^2)^2 - 4M_A^2 M_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta} \right)$$

Applying Courant-Fischer theorem, it can be seen that in Rpv case one eigenvalue which is smaller than  $M_Z^2$  exists

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$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{ODD}}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \beta M_A^2 + \xi \sin^2 \beta M_Z^2 & \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\beta (M_A^2 - \xi M_Z^2) & B_j \\ \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\beta (M_A^2 - \xi M_Z^2) & \sin^2 \beta M_A^2 + \xi \cos^2 \beta M_Z^2 & B_j \tan \beta \\ B_i & B_i \tan \beta & (\hat{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{\nu}}^2)_i \delta_{ij} \end{pmatrix}$$

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