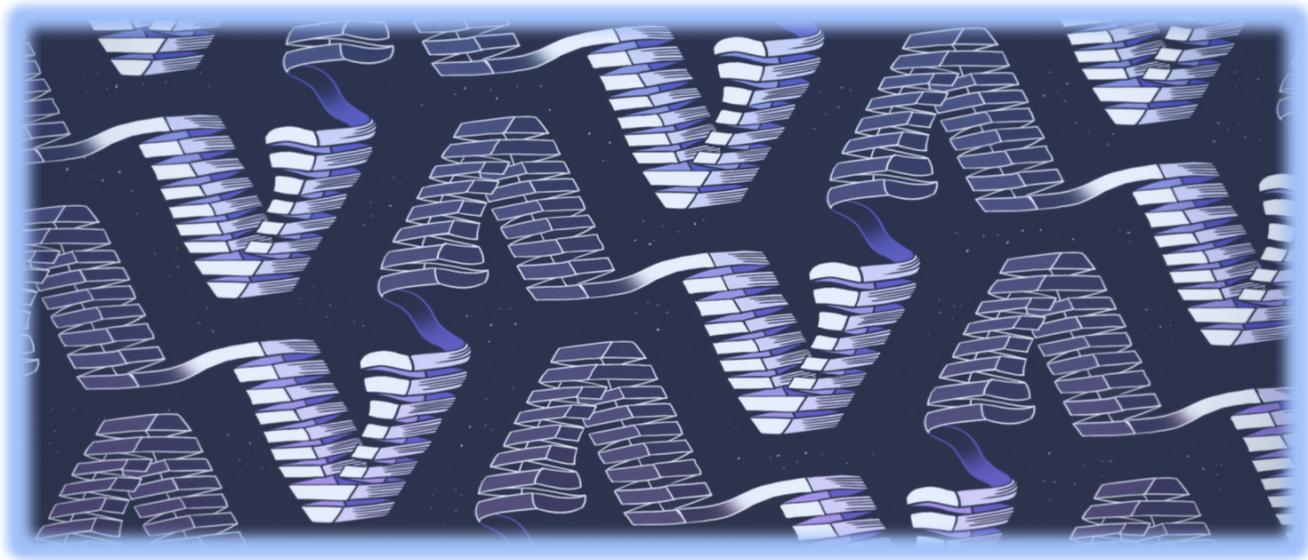


Long-lived Heavy Neutrinos From Higgs Decays

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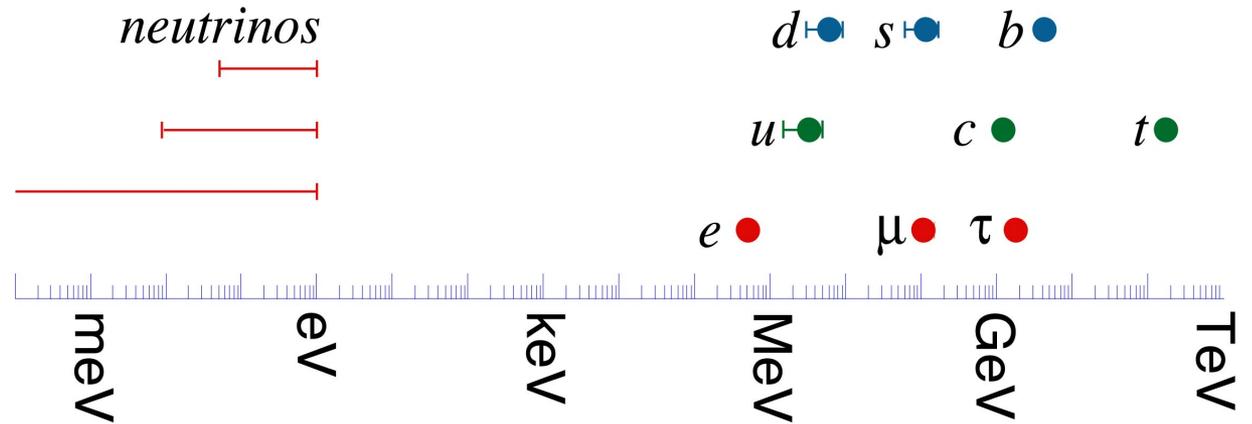
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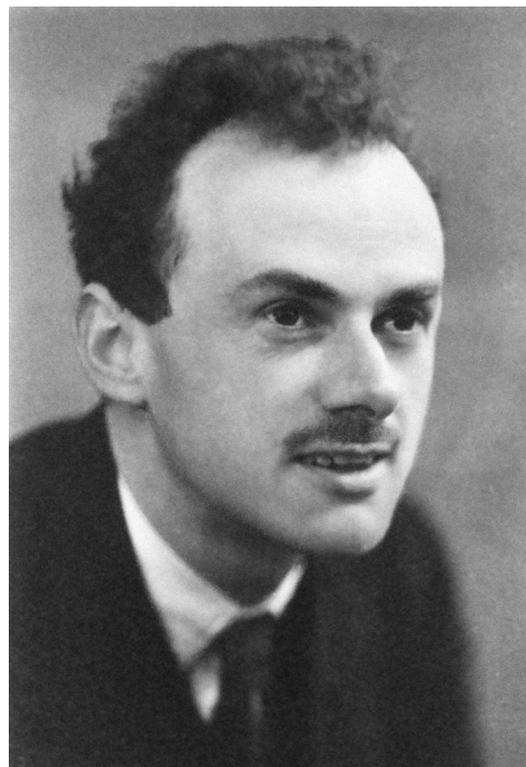
Neutrino Mass

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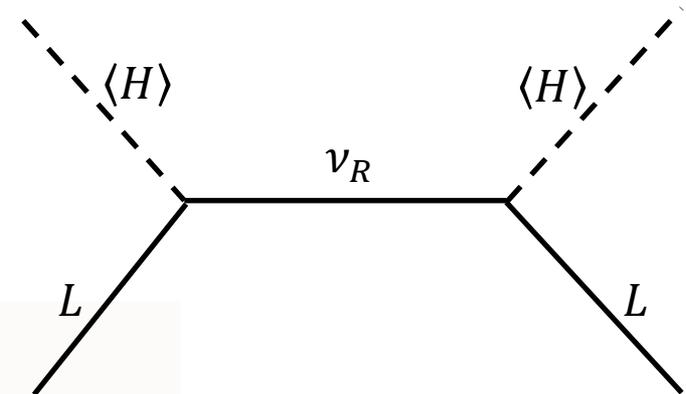
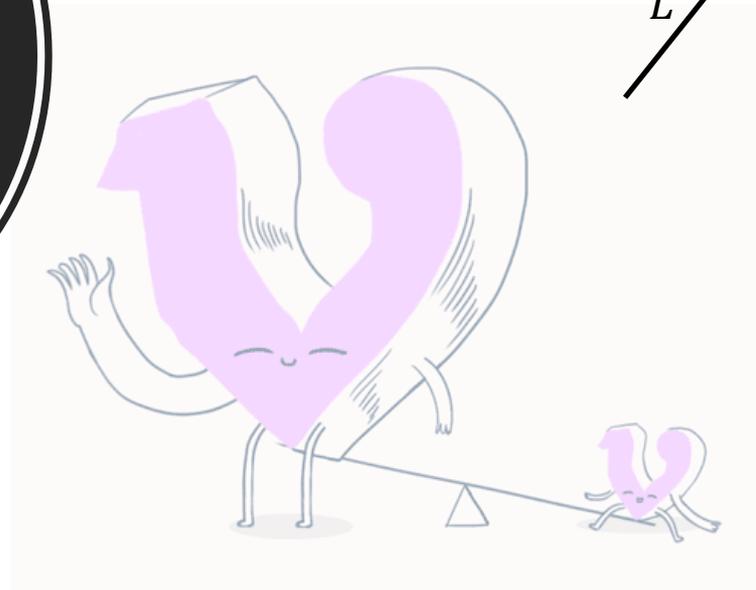
Dirac or Majorana?

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Seesaw Mechanism – Heavy Neutrinos

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & M_D \\ M_D & M_R \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m_1 \approx -\frac{M_D^2}{M_R}$$

$$m_2 \approx M_R$$

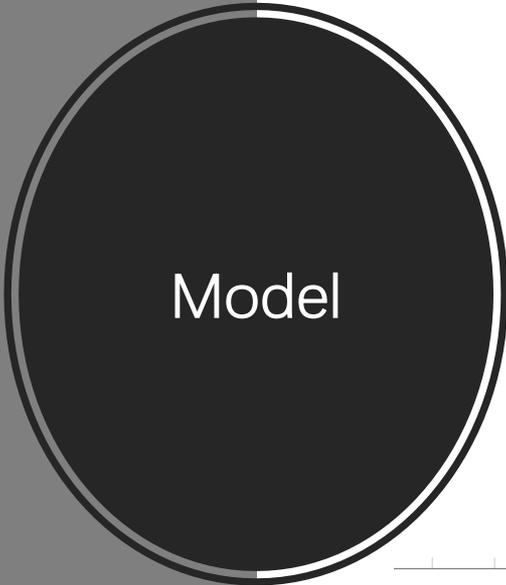
A conserved $B-L$ quantum number?

Introduction
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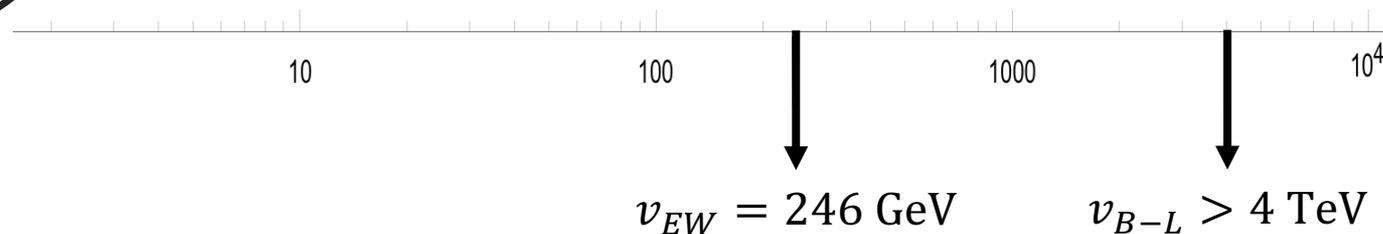
- **Baryon and lepton numbers**
Accidental symmetries in the SM,
can be broken by anomalies
- **$B-L$ number**
Anomaly free
- **What is the origin of
this symmetry?**

Gauged $B-L$ Model

- $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \times U(1)_{B-L}$
Phys. Rev. Lett. 44 (1980) 1316
- Additional Z' and Higgs singlet χ
- $B-L$ symmetry breaking close to EW scale



Model



Symmetry Breaking and Higgs Mixing

- **Scalar potential**

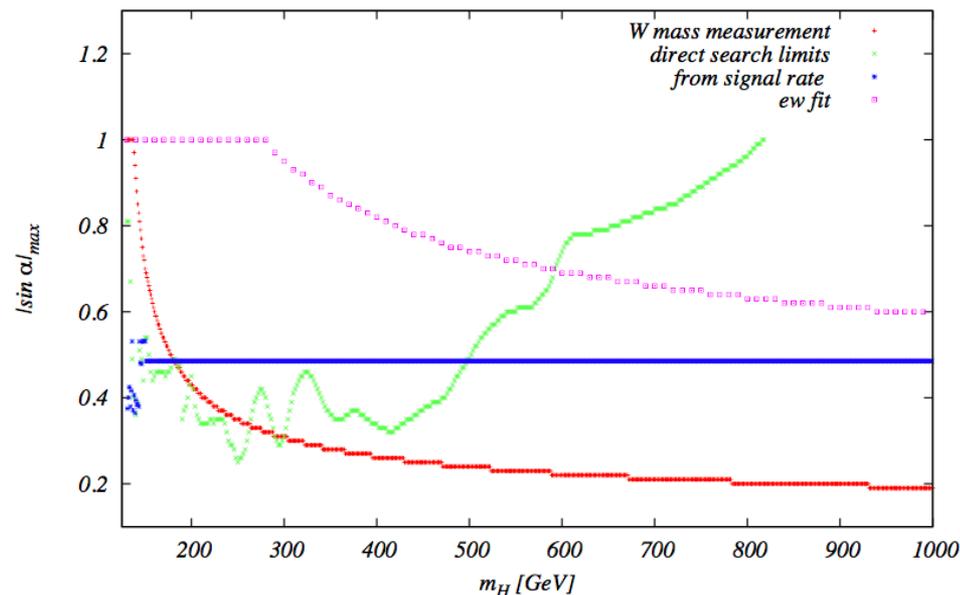
$$V(H, \chi) = m^2 H^+ H + \mu^2 |\chi|^2 + \lambda_1 (H^+ H)^2 + \lambda_2 |\chi|^4 + \lambda_3 H^+ H |\chi|^2$$

- **Higgs mixing**

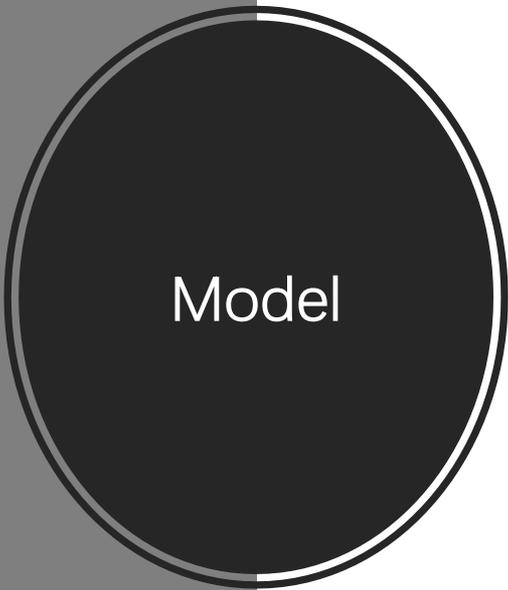
$$\begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H \\ \chi \end{bmatrix}$$

Model

We take the largest experimentally allowed value $\sin \alpha = 0.3$ ($m_{h_2} \approx 450$ GeV)



Heavy Neutrinos and Mixing



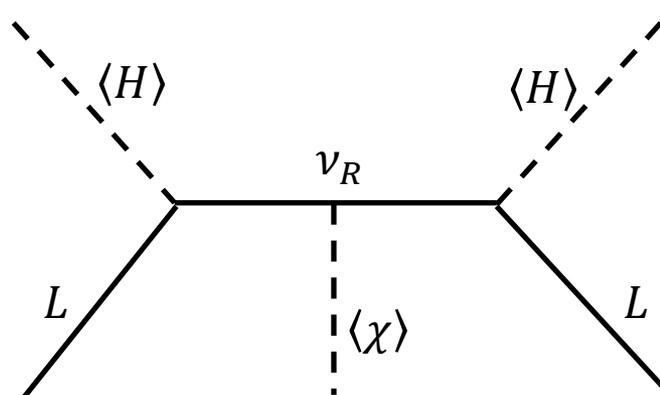
Model

- **Additional heavy neutrinos ν_{Ri}**
Only charged under $U(1)_{B-L}$
- **Yukawa couplings \rightarrow Majorana mass**
$$L_{Majorana} = -y_{jk}^M \overline{(\nu_R)_j^c} (\nu_R)_k \chi$$
- **Naturally small Yukawa couplings**
Only parameters (spurions) breaking $B - L$
- **Neutrino mixing**
$$\begin{bmatrix} \nu_L \\ \nu_R \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{LL} & V_{RL} \\ V_{LR} & V_{RR} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \nu \\ N \end{bmatrix}$$

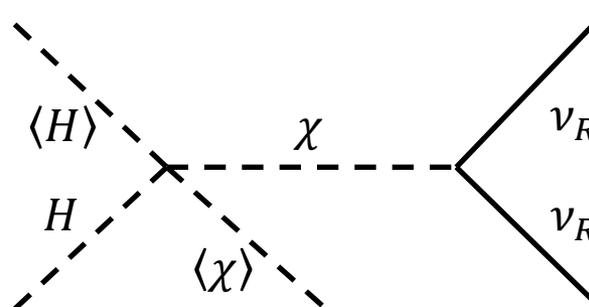
We only consider one heavy neutrino mixing with one light lepton, specifically $V_{\mu N}$

Effective Operators

- **Weinberg operator**
Mass for light neutrinos



- **Higgs Decay**

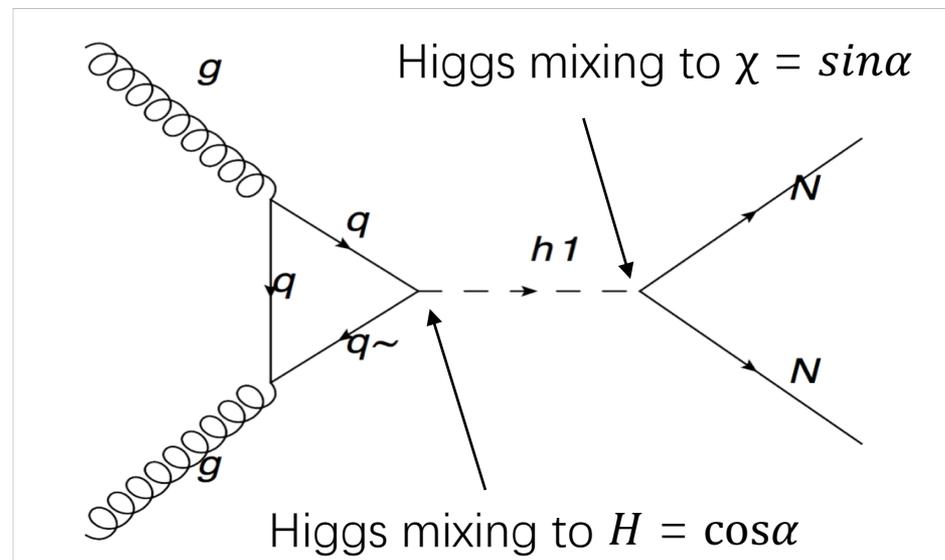


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Pair-Production of N at the LHC

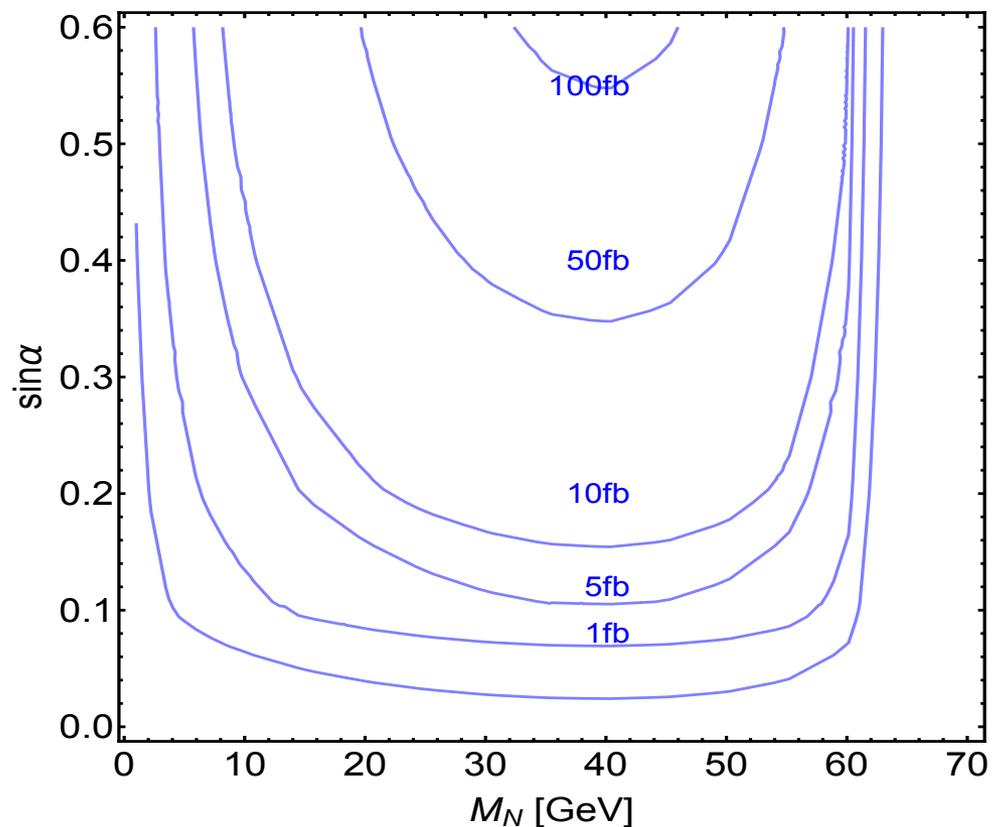
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 Unsuppressed by neutrino mixing

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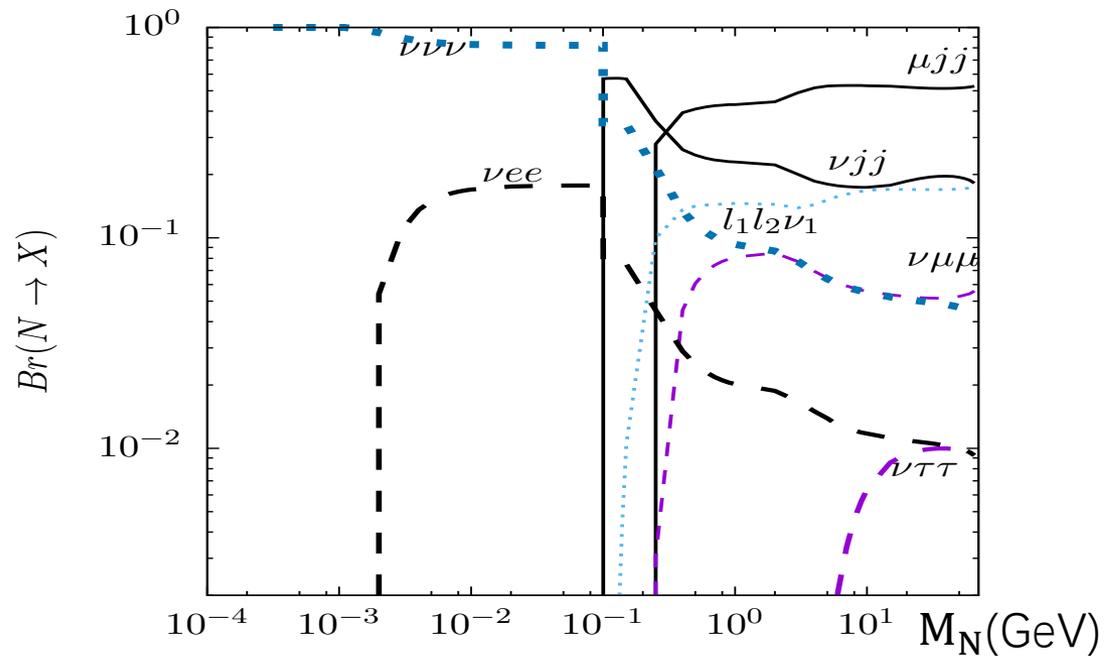
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- $\sigma(pp \rightarrow h_1 \rightarrow NN)$ (13 TeV)

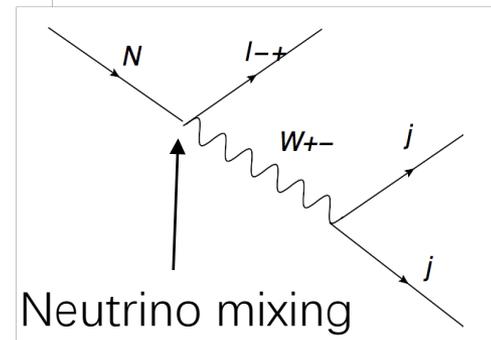
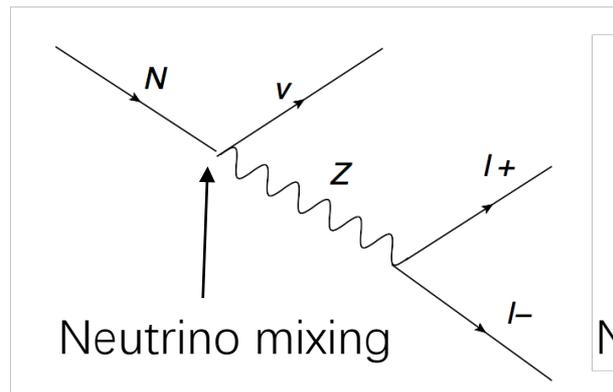


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Neutrino Decay Channels



Heavy Neutrino Decays



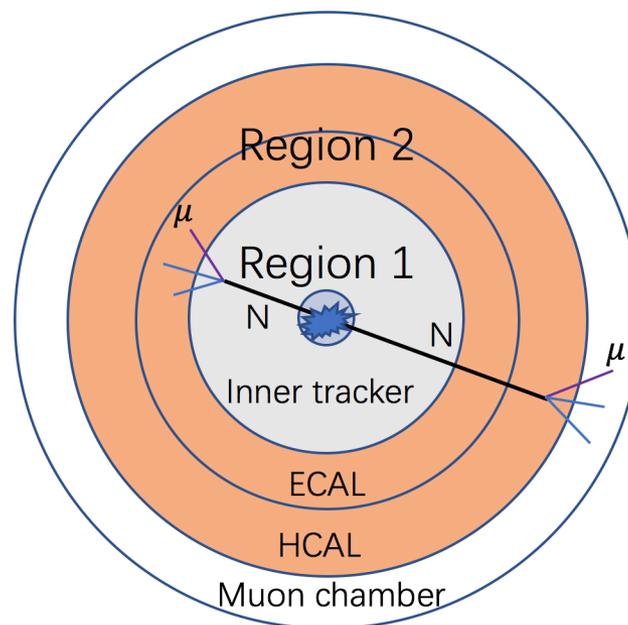
Neutrino Decay Length

- **Long-lived heavy neutrinos**

$$L \approx 5 \text{ cm} \times \left(\frac{10^{-6}}{V_{\mu N}} \right)^2 \times \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{M_N} \right)^5$$

- **Displaced vertices**

Inner tracker and inside muon chamber



Theoretical Estimation



Heavy
Neutrino
Decays

- **Effective Event Rate**

$$\sigma_{Eff} = \sigma(pp \rightarrow h_1 \rightarrow NN) \\ \times Br(N \rightarrow X) \times P(x_1 < x_N < x_2)$$

- **Probability of N decay within certain distance**

$$P(x_1 < x_N < x_2) = \\ \int_0^\pi d\phi_N \int_0^1 d\beta_H p(x_1 < x_N < x_2) f(\beta_H) g(\phi_N)$$

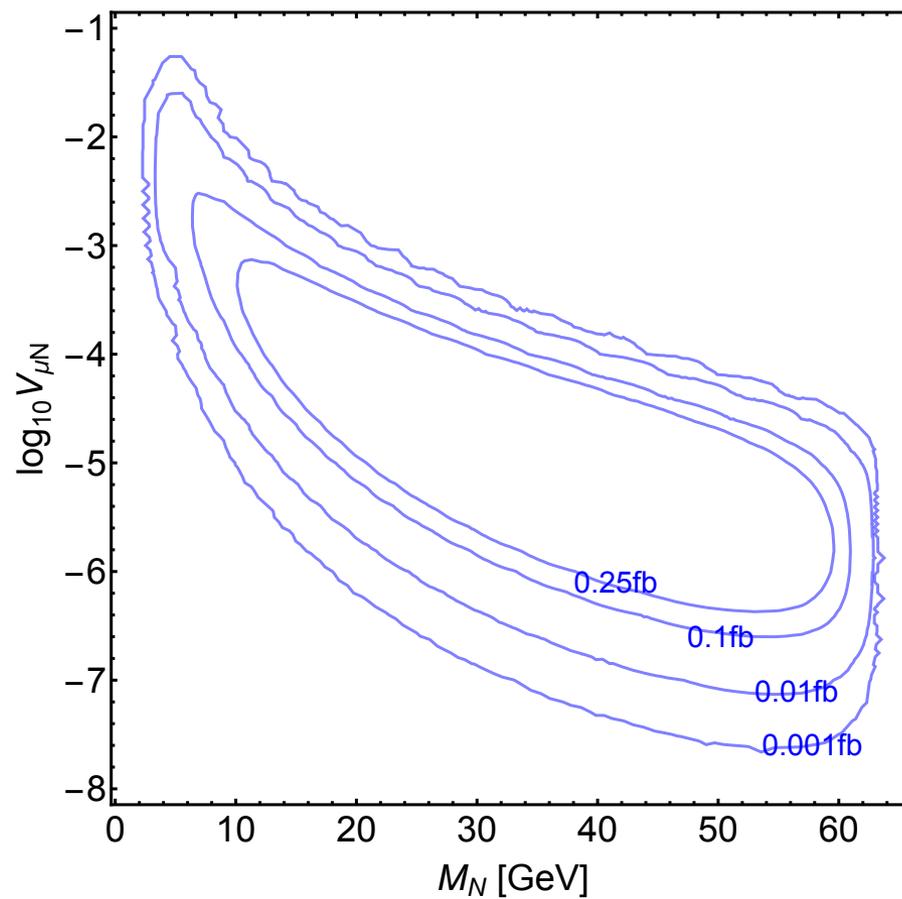
- **Probability of a single N**

$$p(x_1 < x_N < x_2) = e^{-\frac{x_1}{l'_N}} - e^{-\frac{x_2}{l'_N}}$$

Theoretical Estimation

- Effective Event Rate for N decay to two muons decaying within 1 cm and 5 m

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Event Generation Tools

Monte Carlo Simulation

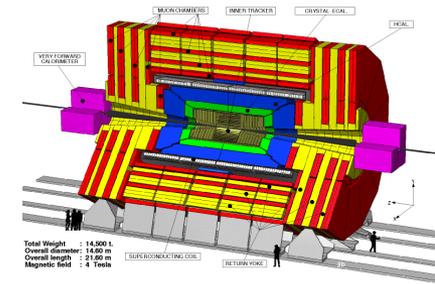
FeynRules

Upgraded FeynRules model from [arXiv:0812.4313](https://arxiv.org/abs/0812.4313)

MG5@aMC (Patron Level)

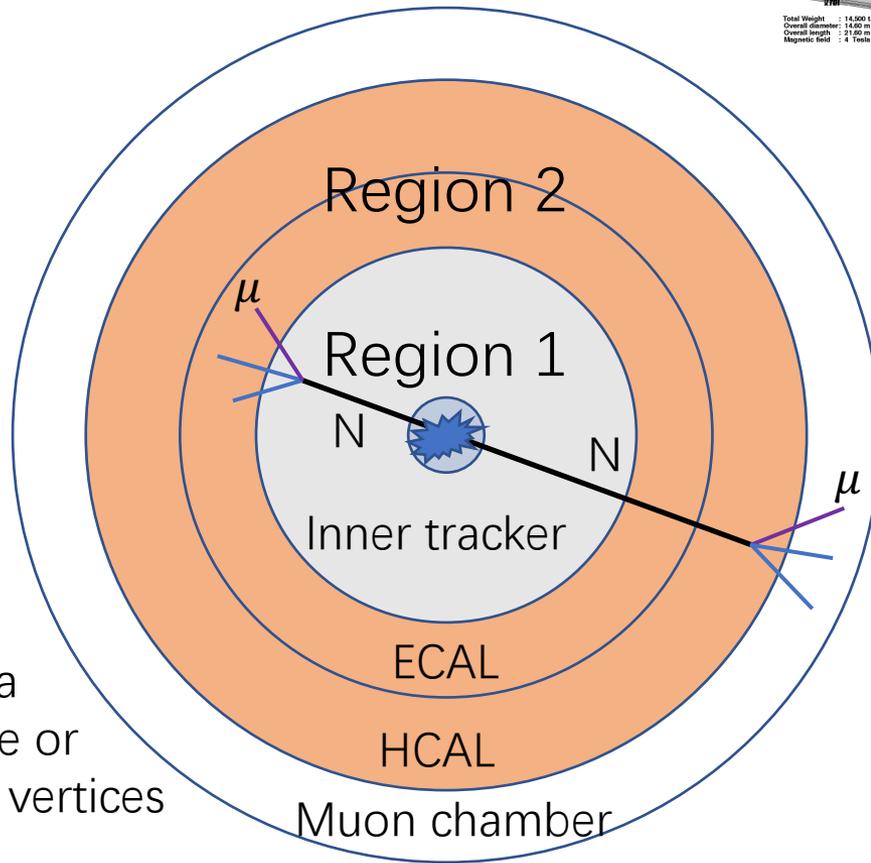
LHE (Les Houches event file)

Displaced Vertex Geometry



Monte Carlo Simulation

Illustration of a signal with one or two displaced vertices

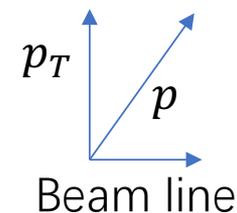


Kinematical Cuts

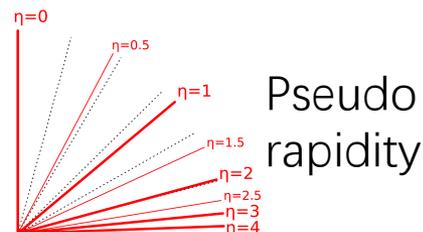
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Monte Carlo Simulation

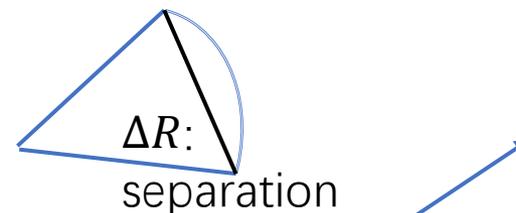
- $p_T(\mu) > 26 \text{ GeV}$, two muons



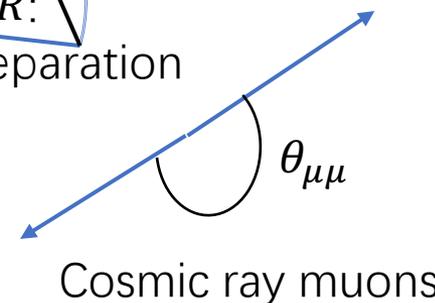
- $|\eta| < 2.0$



- $\Delta R > 2.0$



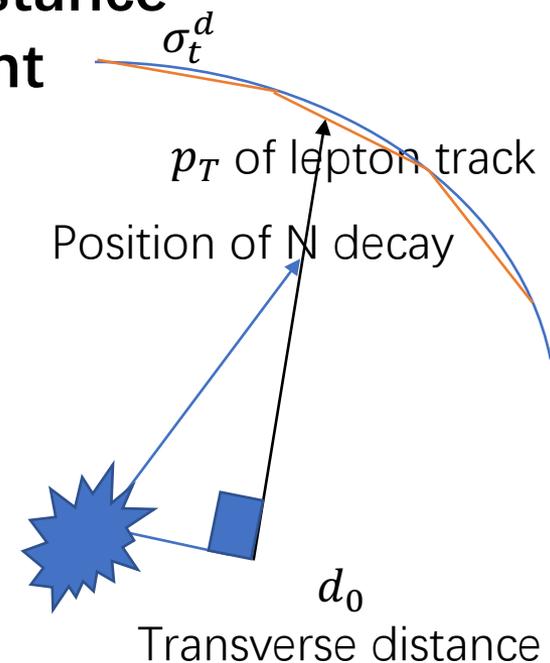
- $\cos\theta_{\mu\mu} > -0.75$



Geometric Selection

- Heavy neutrinos decay in Region 1 or 2
- Cut on transverse distance from interaction point

$$|d_0| = |x p_y - y p_x| / p_T$$



Monte Carlo Simulation

Dimensions of Generic Detectors

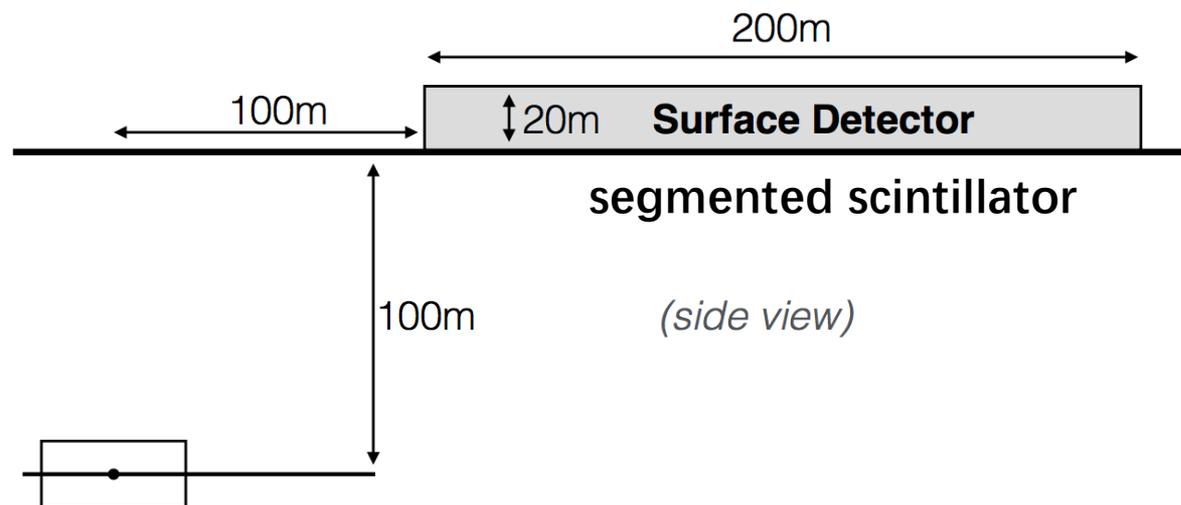
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Region	Inner Radius (cm)	Outer Radius (cm)	Z Extent (cm)	d_0/σ_d^t
LHC Region 1	10	50	140	12
LHC Region 2	50	500	800	4
ILC Region 1	21.7	120	152	12
ILC Region 2	120	330	300	4
CEPC Region 1	15.3	180	240	12
CEPC Region 2	180	440	400	4

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- **MA**ssive Timing Hodoscope
for Ultra Stable neutraL pArticles
Proposed surface detector

Monte Carlo Simulation



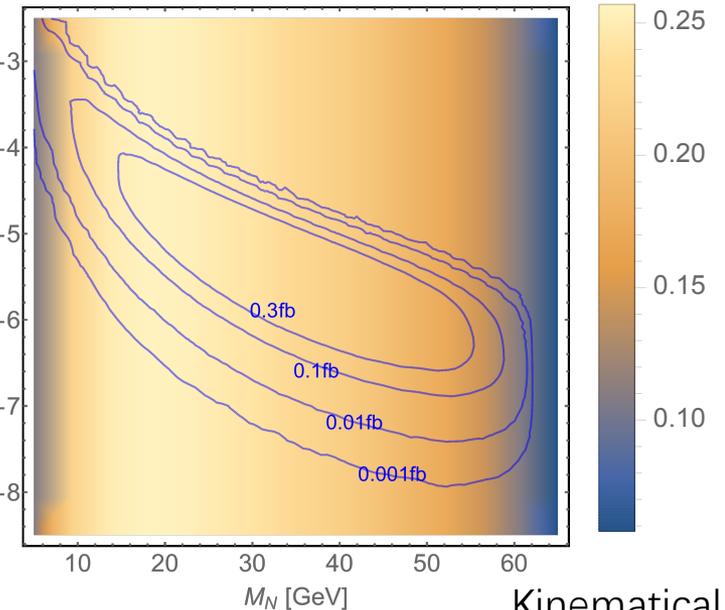
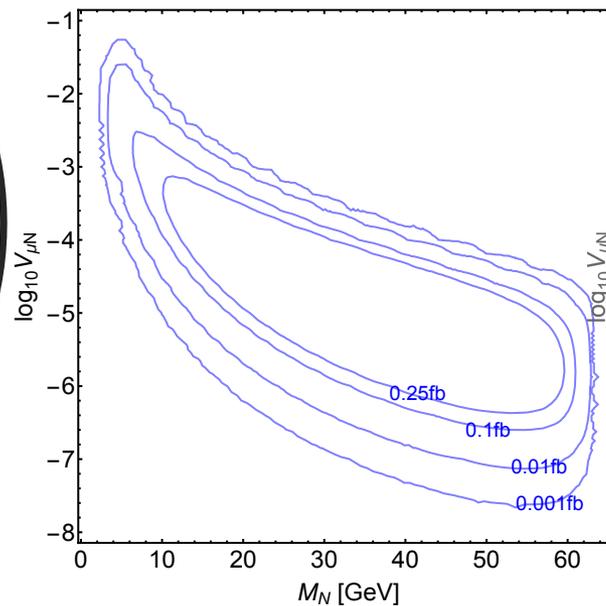
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Comparison with Theoretical Estimation

Theoretical Estimation

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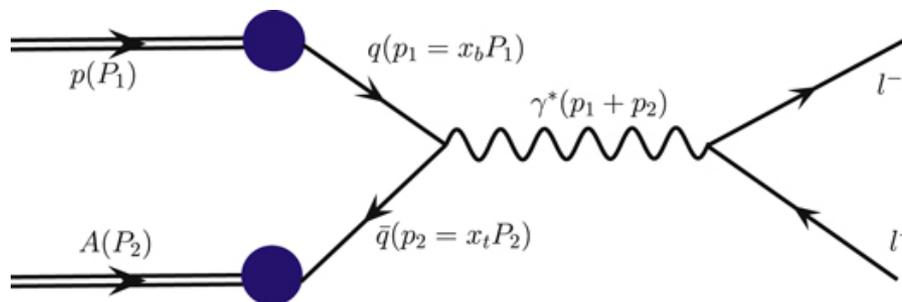
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Kinematical efficiency

Background

- **Long-lived mesons**
- **Drell-Yan dilepton production**
Faking displaced vertex due to resolution



Efficiently cut by d_0/σ_d^t
(CMS, Phys. Rev. D91 (2015) 052012)

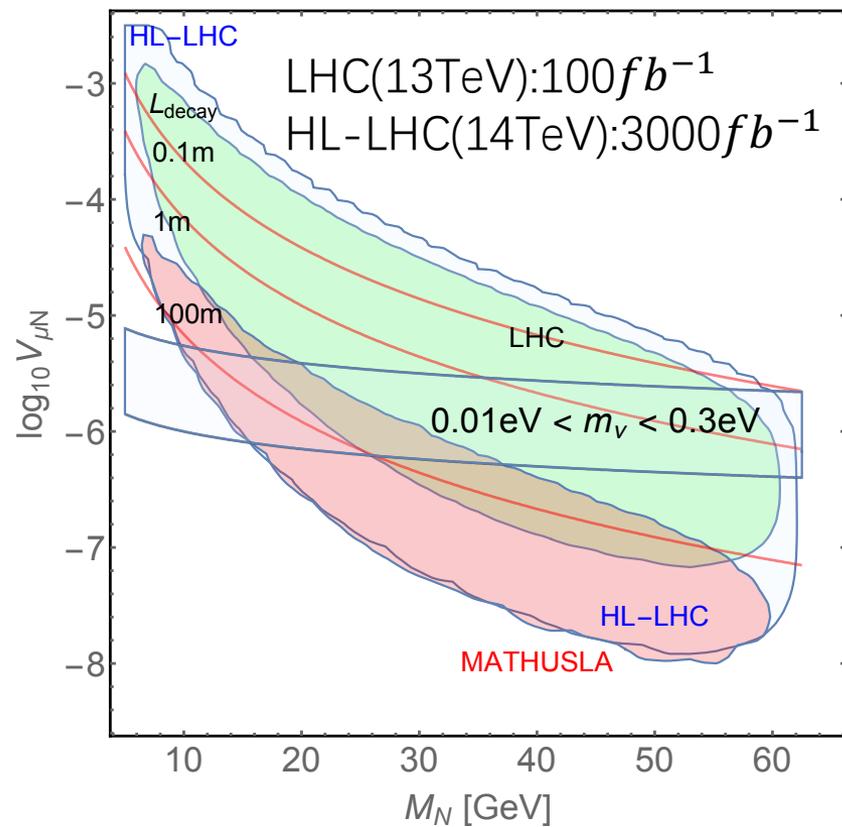
- **Cosmic ray muons**
Removable by $\cos\theta_{\mu\mu}$ cuts and beam collision time
- **We consider above backgrounds negligible after cuts from CMS [1][2][3]**

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Sensitivities of Different Colliders

- **Excluded parameter space at 95% C.L.**
Assuming **no** events with **single displaced vertex** in any region are observed

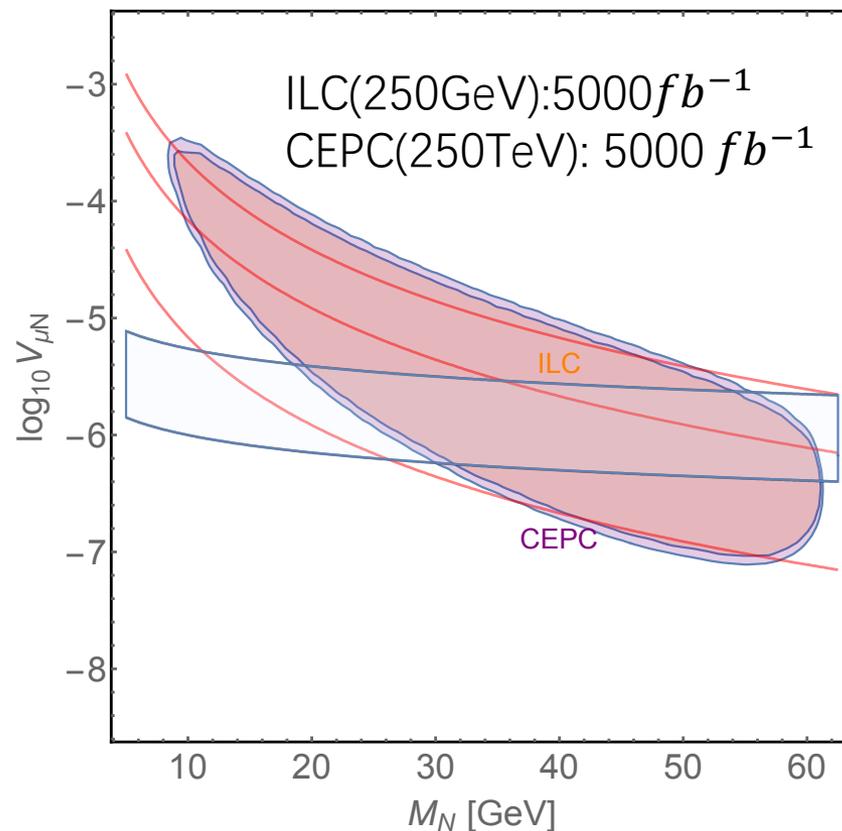
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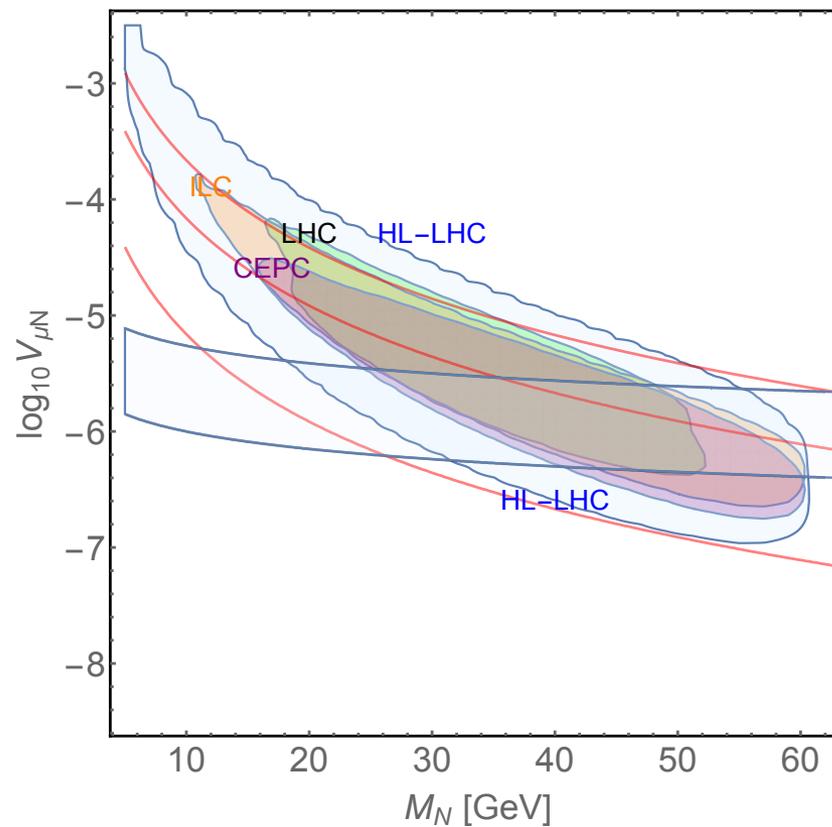
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Sensitivities of Different Colliders

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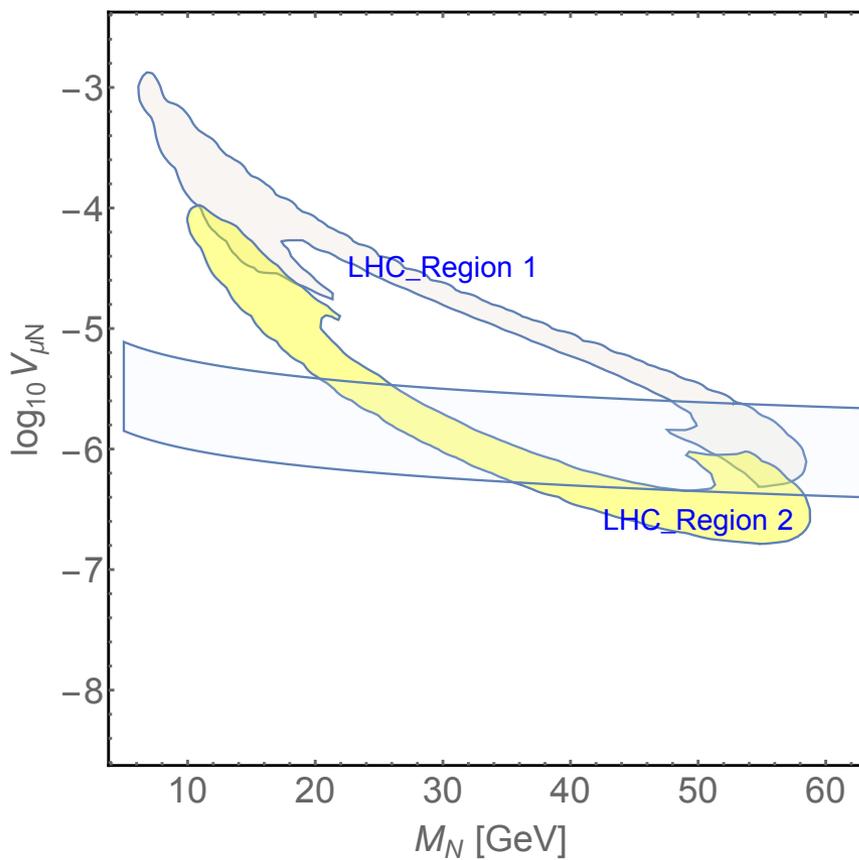
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Example: Seeing Two Event

- **Allowed parameter space at 95% C.L.**
Assuming **two** events with **two displaced vertices** in either region 1 or 2 are observed

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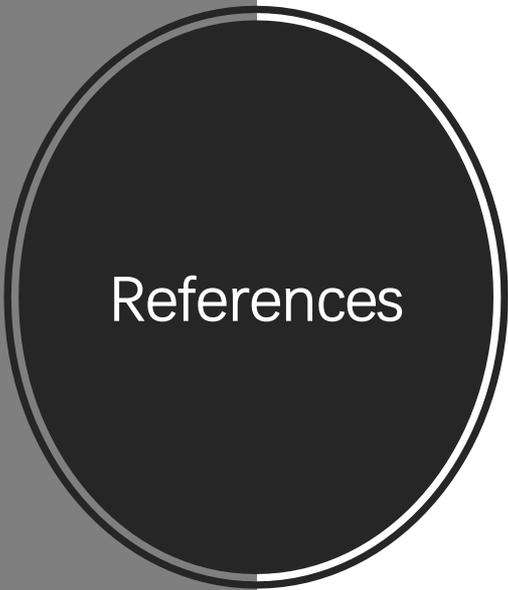




Conclusions

- **Light neutrino masses**
Not explained in the Standard Model
- **Spontaneous breaking of gauged $B-L$**
Generate heavy neutrino masses
- **Type-I seesaw mechanism**
Heavy neutrino ~ 50 GeV, neutrino mixing $V_{lN} \sim 10^{-6}$
The process $pp \rightarrow W^* \rightarrow lN$ undetectable

$$m_\nu = \frac{m_D^2}{M_N} = V_{lN}^2 M_N = 0.1\text{eV} \cdot \left(\frac{V_{lN}}{10^{-6}}\right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{M_N}{100\text{ GeV}}\right)^2$$
- **Pair-production of N through SM Higgs**
 - Suppressed by potentially sizeable Higgs mixing
 - Can reach neutrino mixing as small as 10^{-7} at the LHC and lepton colliders
 - 1-2 magnitude improvement at HL-LHC

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