New Physics scenarios within $2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay

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There is an increasing interest in the process $0\nu\beta\beta: (A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 2) + 2e^{-1}$ due to the possible observation of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay.

GERDA (⁷⁶Ge), CUPID-0 (⁸²Se), NEMO-3(¹⁰⁰Mo), CUORE (¹³⁰Te), EXO (¹³⁶Xe), KamlandZEN (¹³⁶Xe)



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With the increasing statistics for $2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay, the idea of searching for New Physics in $2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay becomes reliable.



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$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_{e_1}dE_{e_2}} \propto (Q - E_{e_1} - E_{e_2})^n p_{e_1} E_{e_1} F_{ss}(E_{e_1}) p_{e_2} E_{e_2} F_{ss}(E_{e_2})$$



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$$\mathscr{L} = \frac{G_F \cos \theta_C}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\left(1 + \delta_{\text{SM}} + \epsilon_{LL} \right) j_L^{\mu} J_{L\mu} + \epsilon_{RL} j_L^{\mu} J_{R\mu} + \epsilon_{LR} j_R^{\mu} J_{L\mu} + \epsilon_{RR} j_R^{\mu} J_{R\mu} \right] + \text{H.c.}$$



$$\mathscr{L} = \frac{G_F \cos \theta_C}{\sqrt{2}} \left[(1 + \delta_{\text{SM}}) j_L^{\mu} J_{L\mu} + V_{eN} j_L^{N\mu} J_{L\mu} + \epsilon_{LR} j_R^{N\mu} J_{L\mu} + \epsilon_{RR} j_R^{N\mu} J_{R\mu} \right] + \text{H.c.}$$





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Understanding of the $2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NMEs is of crucial importance for correct evaluation of the $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NMEs There is no reliable calculation of the $2\nu\beta\beta$ -decay NMEs yet



HSD

$$\mathscr{A}^{2\nu} = \mathscr{B}^{2\nu} = \left| \left(\frac{g_V}{g_A^{\text{eff}}} \right)^2 M_F - M_{GT} \right|,$$

where Fermi and Gamow-Teller matrix elements are given by

$$M_{F} = m_{e} \sum_{n} \frac{\left< 0_{f}^{+} \right\| \sum_{m} \tau_{m}^{+} \left\| 0_{n}^{+} \right> \left< 0_{n}^{+} \right\| \sum_{m} \tau_{m}^{+} \left\| 0_{i}^{+} \right>}{E_{n} - (E_{i} + E_{f})/2}$$
$$M_{GT} = m_{e} \sum_{n} \frac{\left< 0_{f}^{+} \right\| \sum_{m} \tau_{m}^{+} \sigma_{m} \left\| 1_{n}^{+} \right> \left< 1_{n}^{+} \right\| \sum_{m} \tau_{m}^{+} \sigma_{m} \left\| 0_{i}^{+} \right>}{E_{n} - (E_{i} + E_{f})/2}$$

SSD

$$M_{GT}^{K,L} = m_e \frac{M_{GT}(n=1) \left(E_{n=1}(1_1^+) - (E_i - E_f)/2 \right)}{\left[E_{n=1}(1^+) - (E_i - E_f)/2 \right]^2 - \varepsilon_{K,L}^2},$$

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and $M_F^{K,L} = 0$.

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Look at energy distribution to see SSD/HSD effects

F. Šimkovic, P. Domin, S. Semenov J. Phys. G, 27, 2233, (2001)

0° 10°Mo HSD, higher levels contribute to the decay SSD, 1° level dominates in the decay (Abad et al., 1984, Ann. Fis. A 80, 9) CUPID-0 Collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 262501 (2019)



NEMO-3 Collaboration, Eur. Phys. J. C 79, 440 (2019)



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We get a more accurate expression for $\Lambda^{2\nu}$ and $\Gamma^{2\nu}$ by performing in the matrix elements the following Taylor expansion

$$\begin{split} M_{F,GT}^{K,L} &= m_e \sum_{n} M_{F,GT}(n) \frac{E_n - (E_i - E_f)/2}{[E_n - (E_i - E_f)/2]^2 - \epsilon_{K,L}^2} \\ &= m_e \sum_{n} M_{F,GT}(n) \frac{1}{E_n - (E_i - E_f)/2} \\ &\times \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{\epsilon_{K,L}}{E_n - (E_i - E_f)/2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\epsilon_{K,L}}{E_n - (E_i - E_f)/2}\right)^4 + \dots \right\} \end{split}$$

F.Šimkovic, R. Dvornický, D. Štefánik, and A. Faessler, Phys. Rev. C 97, 034315 (2018)

which leads to

$$\begin{split} \Gamma^{2\nu} &\simeq \Gamma_0^{2\nu} + \Gamma_2^{2\nu} + \Gamma_{22}^{2\nu} + \Gamma_{4}^{2\nu}, \\ \Lambda^{2\nu} &\simeq \Lambda_0^{2\nu} + \Lambda_2^{2\nu} + \Lambda_{22}^{2\nu} + \Lambda_{4}^{2\nu}. \end{split}$$

The factorization of the decay rate is possible

$$\begin{split} \Gamma^{2\nu}(\xi_{31}^{2\nu},\xi_{51}^{2\nu}) &= \ln\left(2\right) \; G_{0}^{2\nu} \left(g_{A}^{\text{eff}}\right)^{4} \left| \left(\frac{g_{V}}{g_{A}^{\text{eff}}}\right)^{2} M_{F} - M_{GT} \right|^{2} \\ & \times \left\{ 1 + \xi_{31} \frac{G_{2}^{2\nu}}{G_{0}^{2\nu}} + \frac{1}{3} \xi_{31}^{2} \frac{G_{22}^{2\nu}}{G_{0}^{2\nu}} + \left(\frac{1}{3} \xi_{31}^{2} + \xi_{51}\right) \frac{G_{4}^{2\nu}}{G_{0}^{2\nu}} \right\}, \end{split}$$

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Quantities of experimental interest are functions of $\xi_{31}^{2\nu}$ and $\xi_{51}^{2\nu}$

$$\frac{d\Gamma^{2\nu}}{d(\cos\theta)} = \frac{1}{2}\Gamma^{2\nu}(\xi_{31}^{2\nu},\xi_{51}^{2\nu})\left(1 + \kappa^{2\nu}(\xi_{31}^{2\nu},\xi_{51}^{2\nu})\cos\theta\right)$$

$$\mathcal{K}^{2\nu}(\xi_{31}^{2\nu},\xi_{51}^{2\nu}) = -\frac{H_0^{2\nu} + \xi_{31}H_2^{2\nu} + \frac{5}{9}\xi_{31}^2H_{22}^{2\nu} + \left(\frac{2}{9}\xi_{31}^2 + \xi_{51}\right)H_4^{2\nu}}{G_0^{2\nu} + \xi_{31}G_2^{2\nu} + \frac{1}{3}\xi_{31}^2G_{22}^{2\nu} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\xi_{31}^2 + \xi_{51}\right)G_4^{2\nu}}$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma^{2\nu}}{dE_{\mathbf{e}_1}dE_{\mathbf{e}_2}\cos\theta} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{d\Gamma^{2\nu}}{dE_{\mathbf{e}_1}dE_{\mathbf{e}_2}}\left(1 + \kappa^{2\nu}(E_{\mathbf{e}_1}, E_{\mathbf{e}_2}, \xi_{31}^{2\nu}, \xi_{51}^{2\nu})\cos\theta\right).$$

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We fix $\xi_{51}^{2\nu}$ by the SSD relation

$$\xi_{51}^{2\nu} = \left(\frac{2m_e}{E_1(1^+) - (E_i + E_f)/2}\right)^4.$$

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$$\begin{cases} G_{N}^{2\nu} \\ H_{N}^{2\nu} \end{cases} = \frac{m_{e}(G_{\beta} m_{e}^{2})^{4}}{8\pi^{7} \ln 2} \frac{1}{m_{e}^{11}} \int_{m_{e}}^{E_{i}-E_{f}-m_{e}} p_{e_{1}} E_{e_{1}} \int_{m_{e}}^{E_{i}-E_{f}-E_{e_{1}}} p_{e_{2}} E_{e_{2}} \\ \times \int_{0}^{E_{i}-E_{f}-E_{e_{1}}-E_{e_{2}}} E_{\nu_{1}}^{2} E_{\nu_{2}}^{2} \mathscr{A}_{N}^{2\nu} \begin{cases} F_{ss}(E_{e_{1}})F_{ss}(E_{e_{2}}) \\ E_{ss}(E_{e_{1}})E_{ss}(E_{e_{2}}) \end{cases} \end{cases} dE_{\nu_{1}} dE_{e_{2}} dE_{e_{2}} \end{cases}$$

with $N = \{0, 2, 22, 4\}$. In the phase-space expressions,



$$\begin{split} \mathscr{A}_{0}^{2\nu} &= 1, \quad \mathscr{A}_{2}^{2\nu} = \frac{\varepsilon_{K}^{2} + \varepsilon_{L}^{2}}{(2m_{e})^{2}}, \\ \mathscr{A}_{22}^{2\nu} &= \frac{\varepsilon_{K}^{2} \varepsilon_{L}^{2}}{(2m_{e})^{4}}, \quad \mathscr{A}_{4}^{2\nu} = \frac{\varepsilon_{K}^{4} + \varepsilon_{L}^{4}}{(2m_{e})^{4}}, \end{split}$$

and

$$F_{ss}(E) = g_{-1}^{2}(E) + f_{1}^{2}(E),$$

$$E_{ss}(E) = 2g_{-1}(E)f_{1}(E).$$

Testing the Taylor expansion: 1.0 1.0 1.0 exact SSD exact SSD exact SSD (dΓ/dE_{el})/Γ[MeV⁻¹] (d*F*/d*E*_{el})/*F* [MeV⁻¹] $(d\Gamma/dE_{el})/\Gamma$ [MeV⁻¹] 0.8 $(\xi_{31}^{2\nu})_{SSD}=0.3738$ -- (ξ_{31}^{2}) ssp=0.368 ---- (ξ^{2ν})_{SSD}=0.296 0.6 ⁸²Se ¹⁰⁰Mo 150Nd 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.06 0.06 0.06 residual residual 0.04 esidual 0.04 0.04 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.00 0.00 0.00 -0.02t____ -0.02 -0.02 0.0 0.5 1.0 2.0 0.5 1.0 2.0 3.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 $E_{e_l} - m_e [MeV]$ $E_{e_1}-m_e$ [MeV] $E_{e_l}-m_e$ [MeV]

We can conclude that the improved formalism fixed in the SSD relation, is in an excelent agreement with the exact SSD formalism.

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$$\begin{split} \left[\mathcal{T}_{1/2}^{2\nu\beta\beta} \right]^{-1} &\simeq \left(g_A^{\rm eff} \right)^4 \left| \mathcal{M}_{GT-3}^{2\nu} \right|^2 \frac{1}{\left| \xi_{31}^{2\nu} \right|^2} \\ &\times \left[\mathcal{G}_0^{2\nu} + \xi_{31}^{2\nu} \mathcal{G}_2^{2\nu} + \frac{1}{3} \left(\xi_{31}^{2\nu} \right)^2 \mathcal{G}_{22}^{2\nu} + \left(\frac{1}{3} \left(\xi_{31}^{2\nu} \right)^2 + \xi_{51}^{2\nu} \right) \mathcal{G}_4^{2\nu} \right]. \end{split}$$

 ξ^{2ν}₃₁ determined from shape analyze of the energy distributions and/or angular correlation factor
 [T^{2νββ}_{1/2}]⁻¹ measured.
 [M^{2ν}_{GT-3}]² have to be calculated by nuclear models. KamLAND-Zen Collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 192501 (2019).



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- The 2νββ-decay formalism was improveda free (measurable) parameter model.
- The ratio of the nuclear matrix elements, $\xi_{31}^{2\nu}$ can be determined from the electron spectra and angular correlation factor.
- The parameter, ξ^{2ν}₃₁ can be used as a tool to better understand nuclear systems involved in 2νββ, 0νββ-decay and neutrino physics.

