

MODELS OF ν MASSES FROM OSCILLATIONS WITH LARGE MIXING

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PLAN

- Starting assumptions
- A mechanism to generate large ν_μ - ν_τ mixing
- A semi-quantitative example in the framework of flavor symmetries
- conclusion

● INPUTS (SHORT SUMMARY)

(0) EVIDENCES FOR ν OSCILLATIONS

	$\Delta m^2 (\text{eV}^2)$	$\sin^2 2\theta$	
- solar	$(5-9) \cdot 10^{-11}$	● $0.55 - 0.9$	$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu, \tau}$
	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (4-10) \cdot 10^{-6} \\ (1-10) \cdot 10^{-5} \end{array} \right.$	$(2-10) \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_{\mu, \tau}$
		● $0.7 - 1.0$	$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_s$
- atmospheric	$(1-7) \cdot 10^{-3}$	● $0.75 - 1$	$\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}$ $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_s$
- LSND	$(0.1-10)$	$(1-10) \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\bar{\nu}_{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$

→ ν -masses with, at least, 1 large mixing angle.

(1) CONSERVATIVE ASSUMPTION

only 3 light ν_s (no sterile ν)

Can we accommodate solar + atm + LSND?

→ 3 independent $\Delta m^2 \rightarrow$ 4 light ν_s : $\nu_e, \nu_{\mu}, \nu_{\tau} + \nu_s$.

→ Assume that some among solar ν experiments is wrong and that solar ν_e deficit is due to E averaged vacuum oscillation.

$$\Delta m_{13}^2 \leftrightarrow \text{LSND} \gg \Delta m_{12}^2 \leftrightarrow \text{atm}$$

Compute the SK asymmetries $A_{e, \mu} (\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \theta_{23})$

→ no match to experimental data

(Bahcall, Hall, Smith, Stenlund, Weiner 9807235)

(2) A USEFUL O^{th} -ORDER APPROXIMATION

$$\underbrace{\Delta m_{12}^2}_{\text{solar}} \ll \underbrace{\Delta m_{13}^2 \sim \Delta m_{23}^2}_{\text{atm}} \quad \leftarrow \text{we keep only these...}$$

→ All experiments for lab and atm distances are sensitive to $\Delta m_{23}^2, \vartheta_{23}, \vartheta_{13}$.

$$P_{ee} = 1 - \sin^2 2\vartheta_{13} \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{23}^2 L}{4E}\right) > 0.9 \text{ at } \text{chooz}$$

$$\Delta m_{23}^2 > 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \rightarrow \vartheta_{13} < 13^\circ$$

As a O^{th} -order approximation we may set $\vartheta_{13} = 0$

$$\begin{cases} \text{solar} \leftrightarrow \Delta m_{12}^2, \vartheta_{12} \\ \text{atm} \leftrightarrow \Delta m_{23}^2, \vartheta_{23} \end{cases} \quad \underline{\text{decoupled}}$$

ν mixing matrix (omitting CP phases):

$$U_{fi} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & -s_{12} & 0 \\ s_{12} c_{23} & c_{12} c_{23} & -s_{23} \\ s_{12} s_{23} & c_{12} s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{23} \sim 1$$

$$\sin^2 2\vartheta_{12} \begin{cases} 10^{-2} \div 10^{-3} \\ \sim 1 \end{cases}$$

$$U m_{\text{diag}}^{\nu} U^{\dagger} = m_{\nu}$$

in the basis where the charged lepton mass is diagonal.

(3) SEA-SAW

SMALLNESS OF
 ν MASSES

\leftrightarrow

\mathcal{L}

at some
heavy scale M

$$\frac{\ell\ell hh}{M}$$

\rightarrow

M close to
the GUT
scale

Many GUTs automatically provide a ν^c allowing for the sea-saw mechanism:

$$m_\nu = \frac{m_D^2}{M} + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \dots - \nu^c m_D \nu + \text{h.c.}$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \nu^c M \nu^c + \text{h.c.}$$

3x3 case

$$m_\nu = - m_D^T M^{-1} m_D$$

We expect m_D hierarchical (one dominant eigenvalue): e.g. quarks, charged leptons.

● How to reconcile a hierarchical m_D with a large $\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$ mixing without fine-tuning between m_D and M ?



OUR FAVORITE MECHANISM

[for other possibilities see e.g. A.Yu. Smirnov,

(Notation $\nu^c m_D \nu \equiv \bar{\nu}_R m_D \nu_L$) hep-ph/9901208]

$$m_D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A & B \end{pmatrix} \nu \quad A, B \sim O(1)$$

hierarchical

eigenvalues: $(\sqrt{A^2 + B^2} \nu, 0, 0)$.

Take any M : $(M^{-1})_{33} \neq 0$

$$m_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A^2 & AB \\ 0 & AB & B^2 \end{pmatrix} \frac{\nu^2}{\Lambda}$$

$$m_1 = m_2 = 0 \quad m_3 = (A^2 + B^2) \frac{\nu^2}{\Lambda}$$

→ good starting point for $\Delta m_{12}^2 \ll \Delta m_{13}^2$

The mixing matrix U_{fi} is precisely what needed with:

- $\tan \vartheta_{23} = -\frac{A}{B} \sim O(1)$ $\sin^2 2\vartheta_{23} > 0.8 \rightarrow$
 $0.6 \lesssim \left| \frac{A}{B} \right| \lesssim 1.6$

- $\vartheta_{13} = 0$

- ϑ_{12} undetermined, at this stage



0th-ORDER

APPROXIMATION

↔ SYMMETRY

Simplest possibility: $U(1)_F$ flavour symmetry

F-charges

$$l \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \nu \\ e \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3 \quad 0 \quad 0$$

$$\nu^c$$

$$1 \quad -1 \quad 0$$

$$e^c$$

$$3 \quad 2 \quad 0$$

$$m_D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & O(1) & O(1) \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\mu \end{matrix} \rightarrow \langle \varphi_u \rangle$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & O(1) & 0 \\ O(1) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & O(1) \end{bmatrix} \bar{M} \quad \det M \approx O(\bar{M}^3)$$

$$m_e = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & O(1) & O(1) \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \nu_{d^c} \\ \nu_{d^c} \\ \nu_{d^c} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \langle \varphi_d \rangle$$

(i) Diagonalize m_e : $(m_e)_{diag} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & O(1) \end{bmatrix} \nu_d$

This requires a rotation $\begin{bmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\mu \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \nu_\tau \\ \nu_\tau \end{bmatrix}$ ← m_e

that modifies the $O(1)$ coefficients of m_D .

Barring special choices they remain of $O(1)$.

(ii) After the sea-saw $m_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \boxed{O(1) \quad O(1)} \\ 0 & \boxed{O(1) \quad O(1)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_u \\ \bar{M} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\det = 0$$

[Without sea-saw,

→ uncorrelated $O(1)$ coefficients]



BEYOND THE
0th-ORDER
APPROXIMATION

SPONTANEOUSLY
BROKEN FLAVOR
SYMMETRY

Example:

$\nu_e^c \nu_e \varphi_u$ has $F=+4$ in previous example

→ Add a new scalar field $\bar{\vartheta}$ with $F=-1$.

$$\underbrace{\left(\frac{\bar{\vartheta}}{M_{pe}}\right)^4 \nu_e^c \nu_e \varphi_u}_{\text{allowed by } U(1)} \xrightarrow[\frac{\langle \bar{\vartheta} \rangle}{M_{pe}} = \lambda < 1]{\langle \bar{\vartheta} \rangle \neq 0} (\lambda^4 \nu_u) \nu_e^c \nu_e$$

→ Also ϑ with $F=+1$ $\langle \vartheta \rangle / M_{pe} = \lambda' \sim \lambda$

$$m_D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^4 & \lambda & \lambda \\ \lambda^2 & \lambda & \lambda \\ \lambda^3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \nu_u \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \lambda^2 & \lambda \\ 1 & \lambda & 1 \end{pmatrix} \bar{M}$$

$$m_e = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^6 & \lambda^3 & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda^5 & \lambda^2 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \nu_d \xrightarrow{(i)+(ii)} m_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^6 & \lambda^3 & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda^3 & 1 & 1 \\ \lambda^3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{\nu_u^2}{M}$$

↪ $\det = O(\lambda^2)$

● $m_e : m_\mu : m_\tau = \lambda^6 : \lambda^2 : 1$

→ $\lambda \sim$ of the order of the Cabibbo angle

● For ν_s : $m_1 : m_2 : m_3 = \lambda^4 : \lambda^2 : 1$ $m_3 \sim \frac{\nu_u^2}{M}$

→ $\bar{M} \sim O(10^{15} \text{ GeV})$ to hit Δm_{atm}^2

→ $\Delta m_{12}^2 = O(\lambda^4) m_3^2 \sim 10^{-5} eV^2 \leftrightarrow$ MSW range

- ν 's mixings:
- * ϑ_{23} large
 - * $\vartheta_{12} \sim (\lambda/2) \rightarrow \sin^2 2\vartheta_{12} \sim \lambda^2 \nearrow$ MSW small angle
 - * $\vartheta_{13} \sim \lambda^3 \rightarrow$ choose 0, κ .

$$\textcircled{\text{IV}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{M} \approx 10^{15} \text{ GeV} \\ \nu^c \end{array} \right. \rightarrow \text{GUT}$$

Any additional insight from GUTs?

[e.g. $m_b(M_{\text{GUT}}) = m_\tau(M_{\text{GUT}}), \dots$]

Simplest possibility: (SUSY) SU(5)

matter: 3 copies of $\Psi_{10}^a, \Psi_{\bar{5}}^a, \Psi_1^a$

minimal higgs structure:

$\Phi_5, \Phi_{\bar{5}}$

$$\Psi_{10}^a \equiv (q, u^c, e^c)$$

F-charges
(3, 2, 0)

$\Phi_{5, \bar{5}}$
neutral
under $U(1)_F$

$$\Psi_{\bar{5}}^a \equiv (l, d^c)$$

(3, 0, 0)

$$\Psi_1^a \equiv \nu^c$$

(1, -1, 0)

In the quark sector:

$$m_u = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^6 & \lambda^5 & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda^5 & \lambda^4 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} v_u \rightarrow m_t : m_c : m_u = 1 : \lambda^4 : \lambda^6$$

$$m_d = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^6 & \lambda^5 & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} v_d \rightarrow m_b : m_s : m_d = 1 : \lambda^2 : \lambda^6$$

$$V_L^{u,d} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda & 1 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \sim V_{\text{CKM}} \equiv (V_L^u)^\dagger V_L^d$$

→ correct at the order-of-magnitude level.

- lepton sector

In 1st approximation (only $\varphi_5, \varphi_{\bar{5}}$ higgses)

m_e as before. Notice that:

$$m_e = (m_d)^+$$

large $\mu-\tau$
mixing

\leftrightarrow

large $s^c - b^c$ (or $s_R - b_R$)
mixing $\underbrace{\hspace{2em}}$
R-handed
chiralities
unobservable in weak
transitions!

[also:

- Albright, Babu, Ban '98
- Berezhiani, A. Rossi '98]

* In models where $m_D \propto m_u$, approximately diagonal (as expected from $SO(10)$), the $\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$ mixing could be mostly due to an asymmetric $m_e = (m_d)^+$ mass matrix.

* MSW-SA singled out?

Keep only $\bar{\vartheta}$ (out of $\vartheta, \bar{\vartheta}$): only the $F > 0$ can be compensated in building $U(1)_F$ invariants.

$$m_D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^4 & \lambda & \lambda \\ \lambda^2 & 0 & 0 \\ \lambda^3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \nu_u$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^2 & 1 & \lambda \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \lambda & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \bar{M}$$

$$\rightarrow m_3 : m_2 : m_1 = 1 : \lambda^3 : \lambda^3$$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta m_{12}^2 \sim O(\lambda^9) m_3^2 \\ \tan^2 \vartheta_{12} \sim 1 \end{cases}$$

\leftrightarrow vacuum oscillations

COMMENTS

* Previous example is merely indicative that the mechanism outlined in (I) can work!

* Some issues have not been addressed:

- κ parameters
- FCNC (depends on the detail of $SU(5)$)

* Some features might be improved:

minimal Higgs

content: $m_e \equiv (m_d)^+$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_b = m_\tau \quad \text{O.K.} \\ \frac{m_e}{m_\mu} = \frac{m_d}{m_s} \quad \text{not good} \end{array} \right.$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\mathcal{Q}} \\ \bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{24} \end{array} \right.$ $SU(5)$ singlet
adjoint

$$\Psi_{10}^a \Psi_{\bar{5}}^b \frac{(\bar{\mathcal{Q}})^P (\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{24})^Q}{M_{Pe}^{P+Q}} \mathcal{Q}_{\bar{5}}$$

$$(24)^9 \times \bar{5} = \bar{5} + \bar{45} + \dots$$

differentiate
e hand

* some other, not satisfactory, aspect

e.g. $m_u/m_c \sim O(10^6)$ would require a control

of the $O(1)$ coefficients, beyond the scope of

$U(1)_F$ flavor symmetries.

* Nevertheless, we find remarkable that 12 masses and 6 mixing angles come out close to the right range, in such a simple scheme.

CONCLUSIONS

Assuming

- 3 light ν_s
- θ_{13} small
- see-saw mechanism

a LARGE $\nu_\mu \nu_\tau$ MIXING

- may come as unexpected but it is not unnatural
- is perfectly compatible with the usual hierarchy of Dirac masses
- does not require a strong fine-tuning among Dirac and Majorana sectors
- is presumably related, via $SU(5)$ embedding, to a large s^c - b^c mixing, compatible with known weak interactions
- can be supported by a spontaneously broken flavour symmetry, at least at the level of orders-of-magnitude

* SOLAR ν

large or small mixing angles are equally compatible with the present mechanism.