

Lepton Flavor Violation

III. Leptogenesis

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Plan of Lectures

1. The (extended) Standard Model flavor puzzle
2. The New Physics flavor puzzle
3. Leptogenesis
 - Baryogenesis
 - Leptogenesis, qualitatively
 - Leptogenesis, quantitatively
 - The future

Baryogenesis

Sakharov, 1967

The Baryon Asymmetry

$$Y_B \equiv \frac{n_b - n_{\bar{b}}}{s} = (8.75 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-11}$$

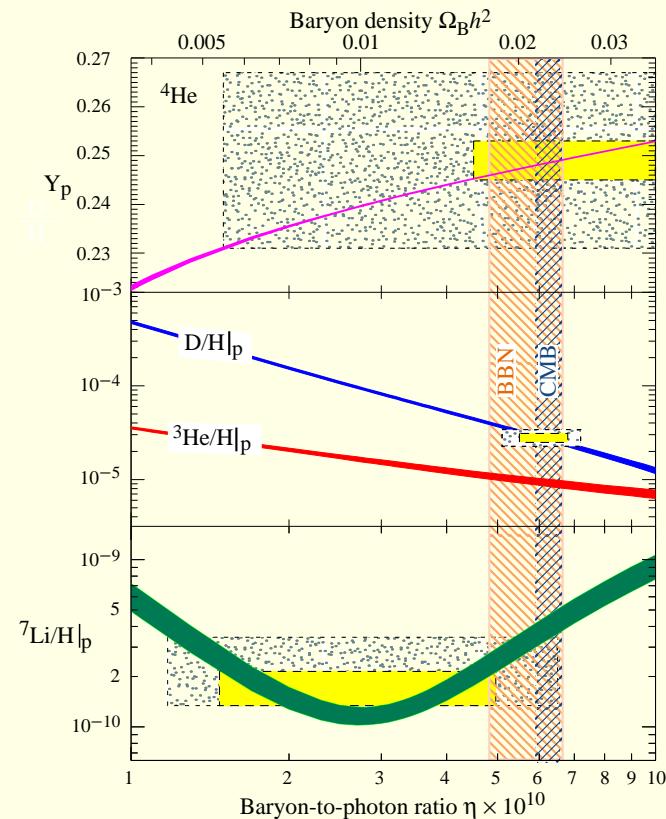
- $n_b/s \sim 10^{-10}$
- $n_{\bar{b}}/s \approx 0$

Particle cosmology

LSS	10^6 years	gravitation	+
CMB	4×10^5 years	atomic physics	++
Nucleosynthesis	1 – 200 seconds	nuclear physics	++
Baryogenesis	$< 10^{-11}$ seconds	particle physics	--

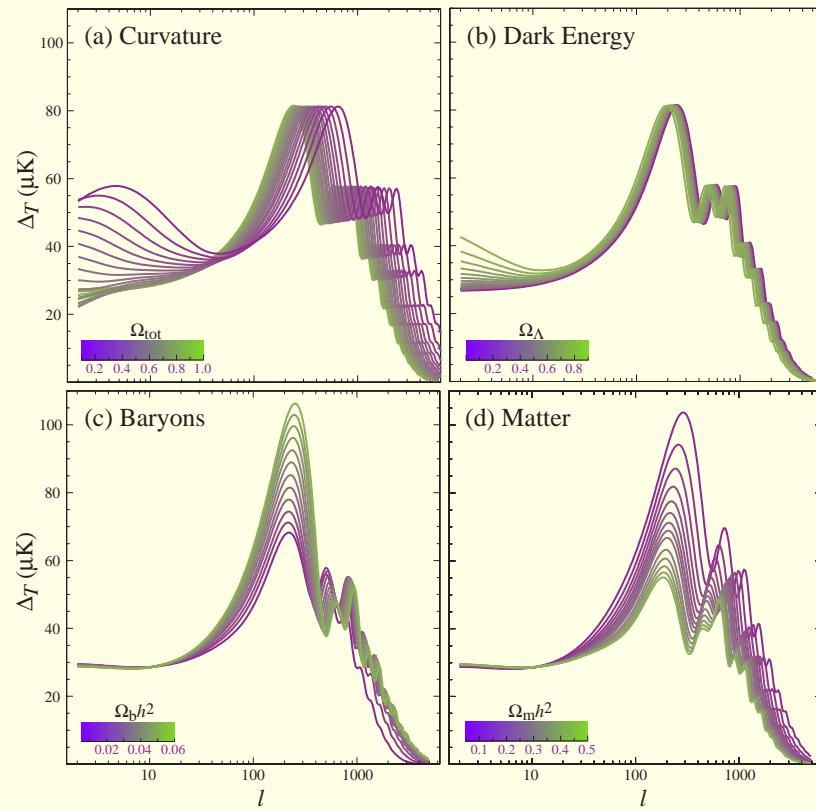
Baryogenesis

BBN + CMBR



Nucleosynthesis

$$\eta_{10} = 5.6 \pm 0.9$$



CMBR

$$\eta_{10} = 6.11 \pm 0.19$$

Leptogenesis

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- Inflation:

Any initial asymmetry would be erased

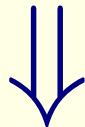
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BARYOGENESIS

Sakharov Conditions

The baryon asymmetry can be dynamically generated ('baryogenesis') provided that

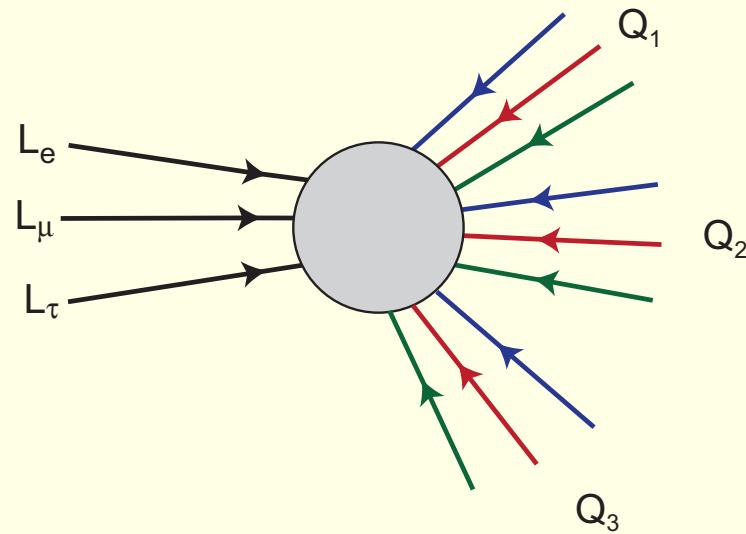
1. Baryon number is violated;
2. C and CP are violated;
3. Departure from thermal equilibrium.

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SM $B + L$ violation



$$T = 0 \quad \Gamma \propto e^{-8\pi^2/g^2}$$

$$T \gg T_{\text{EWPT}} \quad \Gamma \propto 250\alpha_w^5 T$$

$$\boxed{\Gamma > H \text{ for } T_{\text{EWPT}} < T < 10^{12} \text{ GeV}}$$

SM CP violation

- CP violated within the SM only if

$$\begin{aligned} J_{CP} &\equiv (m_t^2 - m_c^2)(m_t^2 - m_u^2)(m_c^2 - m_u^2) \\ &\times (m_b^2 - m_s^2)(m_b^2 - m_d^2)(m_s^2 - m_d^2) \\ &\times s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}c_{12}c_{23}c_{13}s_\delta \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- The baryon asymmetry is therefore proportional to J_{CP} :

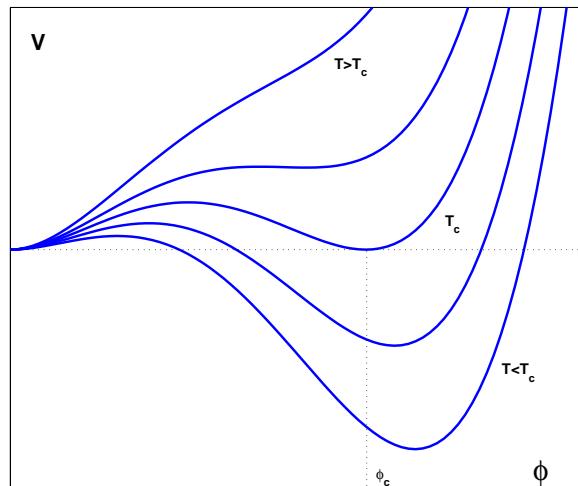
$$\frac{n_b}{n_\gamma} \propto \frac{J_{CP}}{T_c^{12}} \sim 10^{-20}$$

The KM mechanism cannot produce large enough baryon asymmetry

Baryogenesis

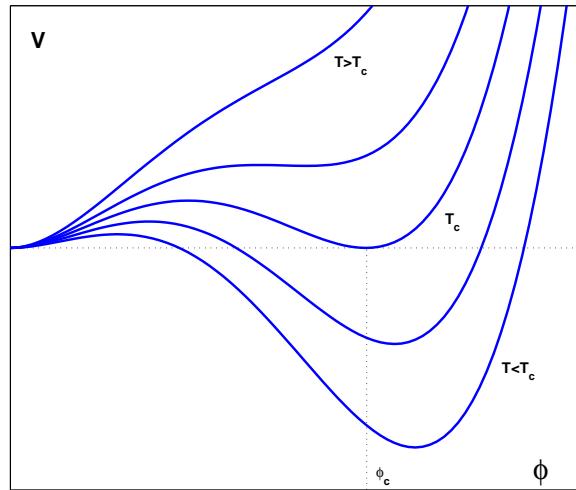
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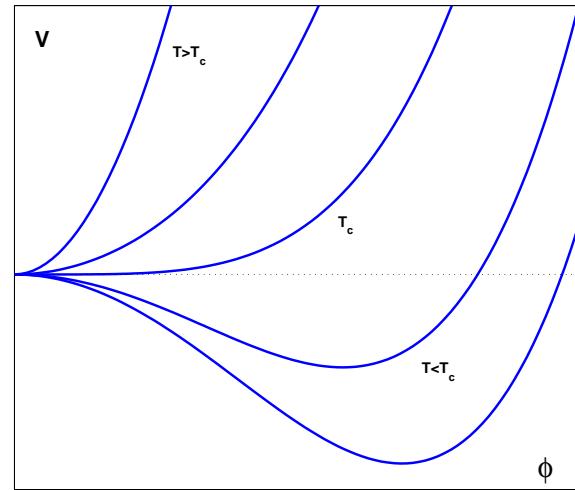


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$m_H > 70 \text{ GeV}$



- $\langle \phi \rangle : 0 \rightarrow v$ continuously and uniformly in space
- The $B + L$ violating processes switch off slowly
- The baryon asymmetry is erased

The SM EWPT is not of the right kind

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The SM fails on two aspects:

1. The Higgs sector does not give a strongly first order PT;
2. KM CP violation is too suppressed.

Alternative Scenarios

Should have:

- New sources of CP violation
- Either a new departure from TE and $B - L$ violation
- Or a modification of the EWPT

MSSM baryogenesis is (still) viable:

- New scalars \implies first order PT is possible;
- At least two new phases \implies diagonal CP violation;
- Pushed to a corner of parameter space:
 $m_h < 120 \text{ GeV}$, $m_{\tilde{t}_1} < m_t$ ($\implies m_{\tilde{t}_2} > TeV$), $m_\chi < 250 \text{ GeV}$.
- Testable at LHC

Leptogenesis, qualitatively

Fukugita and Yanagida, 1986

The Seesaw Mechanism

- Atmospheric + Solar Neutrinos \Rightarrow $m_{\nu_3} \gtrsim 0.05 \text{ eV}$
- In the SM: $m_\nu = 0$
- Add SM singlets N : $\mathcal{L}_N = Y\phi LN + MNN$
- Assume $M \gg \langle \phi \rangle$
 \Rightarrow Neutrinos are massive but very light

- “The Seesaw Mechanism:” $m_\nu \sim \frac{Y^2 \langle \phi \rangle^2}{M}$
 $(\Rightarrow M/Y^2 \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV})$

The Seesaw \Leftrightarrow Leptogenesis Relation

$$\mathcal{L}_N = Y\phi LN + MNN$$

- Implications:
 1. Lepton number is violated (M)
 2. New sources of CP violation (Y)
 3. If $\Gamma_{N_1} \lesssim H(T = M_{N_1})$ ($\Rightarrow \tilde{m}_1 \equiv \frac{(Y^\dagger Y)_{11} v^2}{M_1} \lesssim 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$)
 $\Rightarrow N_1$ decays out of equilibrium

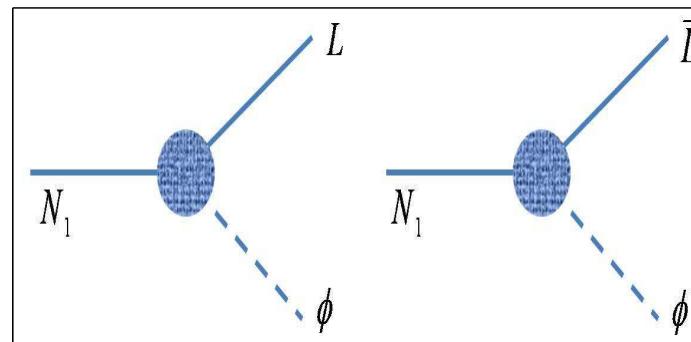
Lepton number violation

$$\mathcal{L}_N = Y\phi LN + MNN$$

- Assign $L(N) = 0 \implies \begin{cases} M & LC \\ Y & LV \end{cases}$

- Assign $L(N) = -1 \implies \begin{cases} M & LV \\ Y & LC \end{cases}$

$B - L$ violation is guaranteed

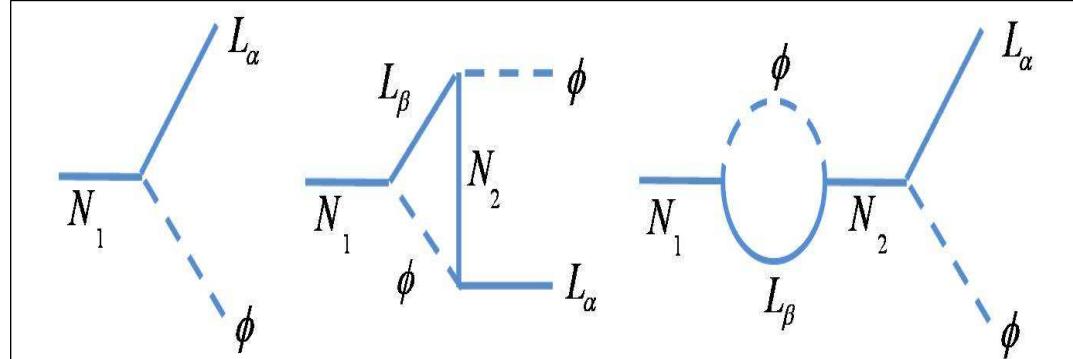


CP violation

$$\mathcal{L}_N = Y\phi LN + MNN$$

- Choose M diagonal and real
- Further changes of phases of N are not allowed
- Changing the phases of L –
not enough to remove all phases from Y

CP violation is very likely

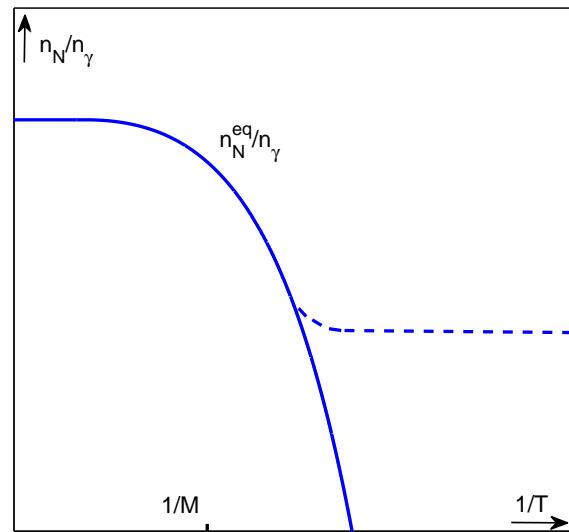


Departure from thermal equilibrium

$$\mathcal{L}_N = Y\phi LN + MNN$$

- N has only Yukawa interactions
- If small enough ($\Gamma < H(T = M)$), cannot keep N in equilibrium

Decay out of equilibrium – if parameters are right



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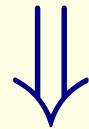
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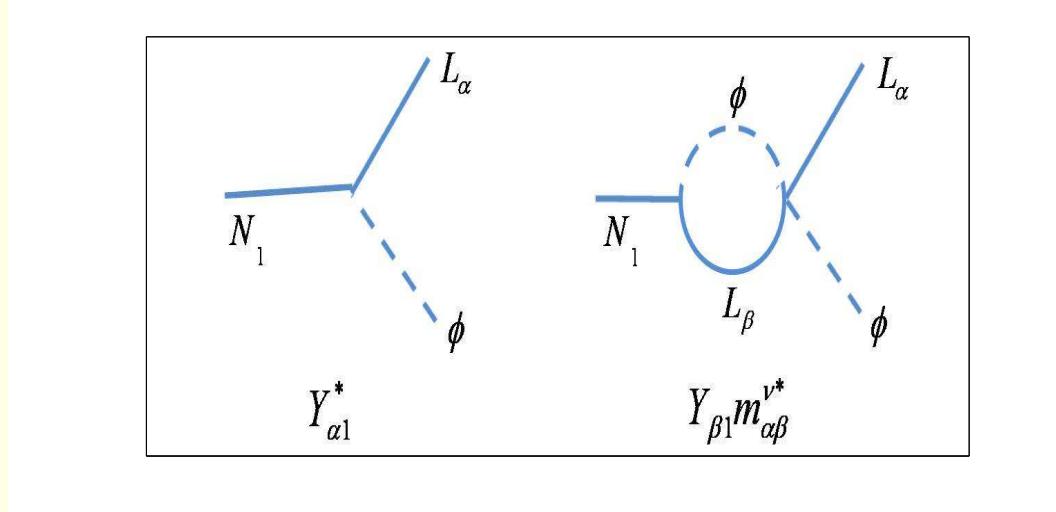
Leptogenesis, quantitatively

Putting it all together

$$Y_B = 4 \times 10^{-3} \epsilon_{\text{CP}} \eta_{\text{TE}} C_{\text{BV}}$$

1. $\frac{n_N^{\text{eq}}}{s} = \frac{135\zeta(3)}{4\pi^4 g_*} \sim 4 \times 10^{-3}$
2. ϵ_{CP} – the price for CP violation
3. η_{TE} – the price for proximity to thermal equilibrium
4. C_{BV} – the price for baryon number violation

$\epsilon_{\text{CP}} - \text{CP violation}$



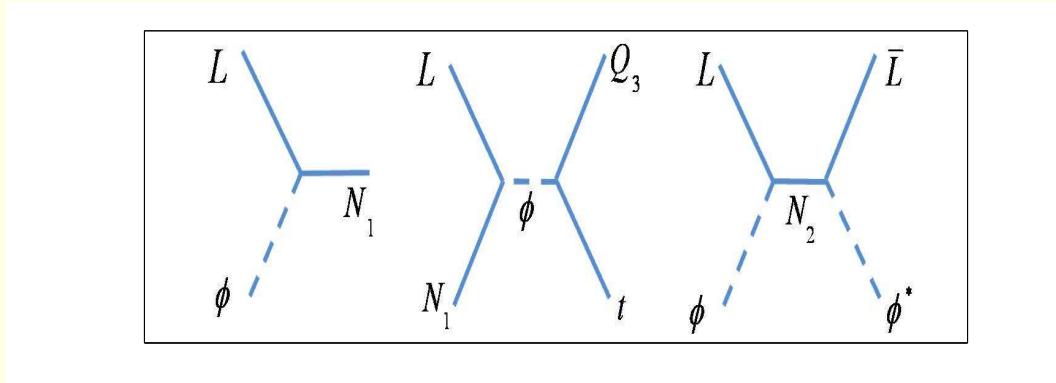
- $\epsilon \equiv \frac{\Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow L\phi) - \Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow \bar{L}\phi^\dagger)}{\Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow L\phi) + \Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow \bar{L}\phi^\dagger)}$
- Denominator $\propto \sum_\alpha Y_{\alpha 1}^* Y_{\alpha 1} = (Y^\dagger Y)_{11}$
- Numerator $\propto |\mathcal{M}_{\text{tree}} + \mathcal{M}_{\text{loop}}|^2 - |\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\text{tree}} + \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\text{loop}}|^2$
 \implies Numerator $\propto \mathcal{Im} \left(Y_{\alpha 1}^* Y_{\beta 1}^* m_{\alpha\beta}^\nu \right)$
- $\epsilon_{\text{CP}} = \frac{3M_1}{16\pi v^2} \frac{\mathcal{Im} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} (Y_{\alpha 1}^* Y_{\beta 1}^* m_{\alpha\beta}^\nu)}{(Y^\dagger Y)_{11}} = \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{3Y^2}{16\pi} \right)$

η_{TE} – departure from thermal equilibrium

- Roughly speaking, N_1 decays out of equilibrium if $\Gamma_D < H(T = M_1)$
- $\Gamma_D = \frac{(Y^\dagger Y)_{11} M_1}{8\pi}, \quad H(T = M_1) = 1.66 g_*^{1/2} \frac{M_1^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}}$
- $\frac{8\pi v^2}{M_1^2} \Gamma_D < \frac{8\pi v^2}{M_1^2} H(T = M_1)$ equivalent to $\tilde{m}_1 < m_*$
 $\tilde{m}_1 \equiv \frac{(Y^\dagger Y)_{11} v^2}{M_1}, \quad m_* \equiv 8\pi 1.66 g_*^{1/2} \frac{v^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$
- $\tilde{m}_1 > m_1$
- Typically $\tilde{m}_1 \in (m_{\text{sol}}, m_{\text{atm}}) \sim 0.01 - 0.1 \text{ eV} > m_*$

The N_1 -decay is usually close to equilibrium

η_{TE} – departure from thermal equilibrium



- Washout by inverse decays until $\Gamma_{ID} < H(T)$
- $\Gamma_{ID}(T < M_1) \sim \Gamma_D e^{-M_1/T}, \quad H \sim T^2/M_{\text{Pl}}$
- $\implies \Gamma_D e^{-M_1/T} \sim H$ at $T_f \sim M_1$
- Suppose ID wash-out ϵ_{CP} completely until $\Gamma_{ID} = H$ and stop completely after that
- $\implies \eta_{\text{TE}} = \frac{n_N[T(\Gamma_{ID}=H)]}{n_N[T \gg M_1]} \sim e^{-M_1/T_f} \sim \frac{\Gamma_D}{H(T_f)} \sim \frac{m_*}{\tilde{m}_1}$
- $\eta_{\text{TE}} \approx \frac{m_*}{\tilde{m}_1}$, expected to be $0.01 - 0.1$

C_{BV} – Sphaleron interactions

- Fast interactions ($\Gamma \gg H$) \Rightarrow equilibrium
- The sum of chemical potentials over all particles entering an interaction = 0
- Example: Fast sphaleron interactions \Rightarrow
 $\sum_{i=1}^3 \mu_{L_i} + 3 \sum_{i=1}^3 \mu_{Q_i} = 0$
- Chemical potential \Leftrightarrow Particle asymmetry:

$$n_i - n_{\bar{i}} = \begin{cases} (g_i/6)T^2\mu_i & \text{fermions} \\ (g_i/3)T^2\mu_i & \text{bosons} \end{cases}$$
- $\Rightarrow C_{\text{BV}} = \frac{Y_B}{Y_{B-L}} = \frac{28}{79}$

Putting it all together

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y_B &= 4 \times 10^{-3} \epsilon_{\text{CP}} \eta_{\text{TE}} C_{\text{BV}} \\
 &\sim 10^{-3} \left(\frac{10^{-3} \text{ eV}}{\tilde{m}_1} \right) \epsilon_{\text{CP}} \\
 \epsilon_{\text{CP}} &= \frac{3M_1}{16\pi v^2} \frac{\mathcal{I}m \sum_{\alpha,\beta} (Y_{\alpha 1}^* Y_{\beta 1}^* m_{\alpha\beta}^\nu)}{(Y^\dagger Y)_{11}}, \\
 m_{\alpha\beta}^\nu &= Y_{\alpha k} Y_{\beta k} M_k^{-1}, \\
 \tilde{m}_1 &= \frac{(Y^\dagger Y)_{11} v^2}{M_1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Implications

1. $m_{\text{sol}} \lesssim \tilde{m}_1 \lesssim m_{\text{atm}}$ – OPTIMAL:
 - Wash-out strong but not unacceptably strong
 - Leptogenesis independent of initial conditions
2. $Y_B \sim 10^{-10}$, $\eta_{\text{TE}} \sim 10^{-1} \implies \epsilon_{\text{CP}} \gtrsim 10^{-6}$ – EASY:
 - $\epsilon_{\text{CP}} \sim \frac{3Y^2}{16\pi}$
3. $\frac{\mathcal{I}m(YYm)}{Y^\dagger Y} < m_{\text{max}} \implies \epsilon_{\text{CP}} < \frac{3M_1 m_{\text{max}}}{16\pi v^2}$
 - $M_1 \gtrsim 10^9 \text{ GeV} \left(\frac{m_{\text{atm}}}{m_{\text{max}}}\right) \left(\frac{|\epsilon_{\text{CP}}|}{10^{-7}}\right)$ – PROBLEM for SUSY?
4. No one-to-one relation between oscillation phases and leptogenesis phases
5. More HE (leptogenesis) parameters than LE (measurable) parameters

Recent developments

Refinements:

- Thermal effects
- Spectator processes
- Flavor issues
- $N_{2,3}$ contributions

Variations:

- Soft leptogenesis
- Dirac leptogenesis
- Resonant leptogenesis

Flavor Issues

- $N_1 \rightarrow \phi \ell_1$: Define $K_i = |\langle \ell_i | \ell_1 \rangle|^2$ ($i = e, \mu, \tau$)
- $\epsilon_i \sim \epsilon K_i^0 + (K_i - \bar{K}_i)$
- For generic flavor structure ($K_i = \mathcal{O}(1), \neq 0, 1$):

$$\eta_i \sim \eta K_i \implies Y_{B-L} \propto \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} \eta_i \epsilon_i \sim n_f (\eta \epsilon)$$

 $n_f = 1_{T > 10^{13} \text{ GeV}}, \quad 2_{10^{11} < T < 10^{13} \text{ GeV}}, \quad 3_{T < 10^{11} \text{ GeV}}$
- For non-generic flavor structure ($K_i \ll 1, \neq 0$):
 Large (order of magnitude) effects are possible
- Qualitatively new effects from $K_i \neq \bar{K}_i$
- $M_1 \gtrsim 10^9 \text{ GeV}$ but $m_\nu \lesssim eV$

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The Future of Leptogenesis

Direct Tests

Measuring N_1 interactions?

- $M_1 \gg E_{\text{experiments}}$
- $N_1 = \text{SM singlet}$
- If M_1 accessible – Y probably tiny

Direct tests are very (very) unlikely

Circumstantial Evidence

Sakharov conditions:

- Observation of $0\nu2\beta \Rightarrow$ Lepton number is violated
- Observation of $\Gamma(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \neq \Gamma(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e) \Rightarrow$ CP is violated
- Impossible to probe the departure from thermal equilibrium

Observing LV and leptonic-CPV will make leptogenesis even more plausible

The LHC will explore the unknown

Energy $0.6 \rightarrow 4$ TeV

Distance $10^{-19} \rightarrow 10^{-20}$ m

“Time” $10^{-11} \rightarrow 10^{-13}$ s

The LHC will explore the unknown

- What is the mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking?
- What separates the electroweak scale from the Planck scale?
- What are the dark matter particles?
- What happened at the electroweak phase transition (10^{-11} second after the big bang)?
- Was the baryon asymmetry generated by TeV scale physics?
 - If EWBG excluded –
leptogenesis will become more attractive
 - If EWBG supported –
leptogenesis will become less attractive

Summary

- Two puzzles – $m_\nu \neq 0$ and $Y_B \gg Y_B^{\text{SM}}$ – solved by the same natural extension of the SM
- Quantitatively, leptogenesis is plausible
- Leptogenesis may remain forever an attractive but unproven solution of the puzzle of the baryon asymmetry

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