

# EFFECTS OF HEAVY MAJORANA NEUTRINOS IN SEMILEPTONIC HEAVY QUARK DECAYS

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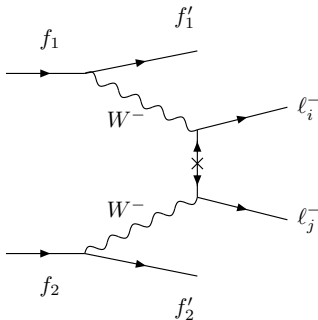
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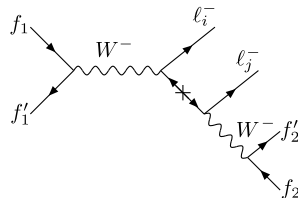
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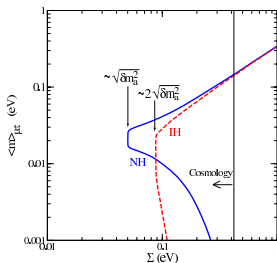
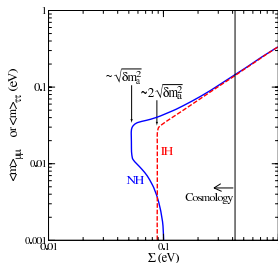
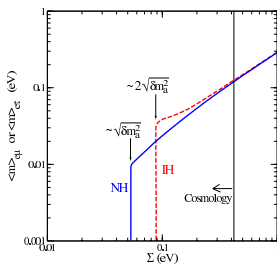
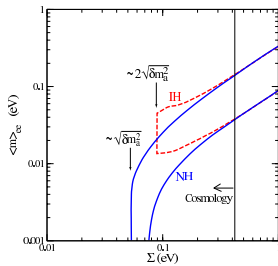
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Restrictive limits (indirect):

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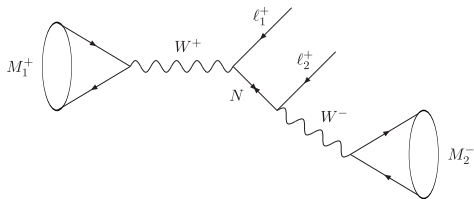
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The dynamic of this process is given by:

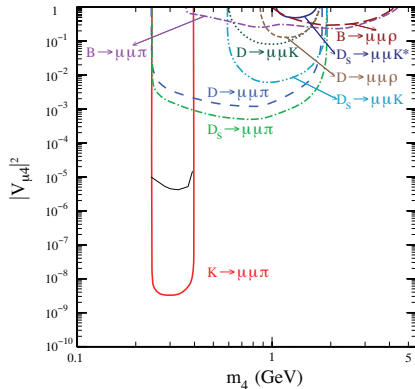
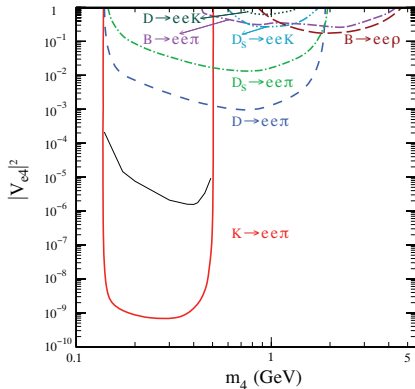
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**Table I.** Experimental upper bounds (BABAR, Belle, CLEO,  $K$  experiments)

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Recently, LHCb ([arXiv:1110.0730](https://arxiv.org/abs/1110.0730)): $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \mu^+) < 5.4 \times 10^{-8}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+) < 5.8 \times 10^{-8}$ . (95% C.L.)

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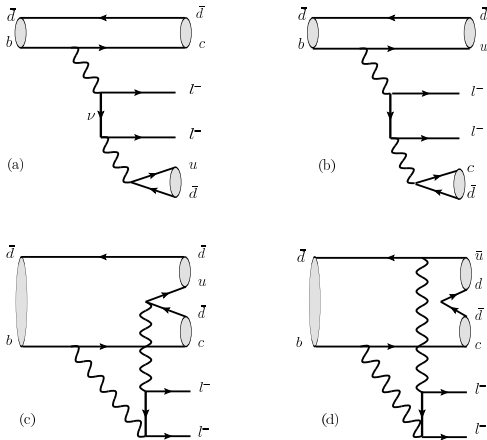
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Diagram (b) is suppressed with respect to diagram (a)

$$\frac{|V_{ub}V_{cd}|}{|V_{cb}V_{ud}|} \sim 0,02$$

In the range of neutrino masses  $m_N$  where the resonance effects dominate the decay amplitude, the diagrams (c) and (d) will give very small contributions.

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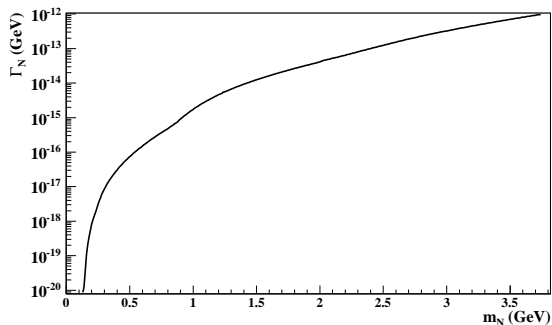
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Dominant modes ( $m_N \ll m_W$ ):

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$$\Gamma_N \sim G_F^2 |V_{\ell N}|^2$$

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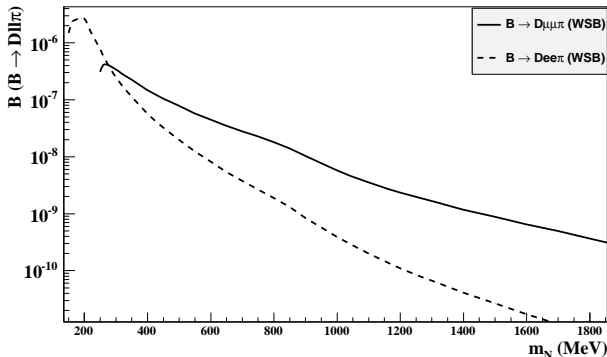
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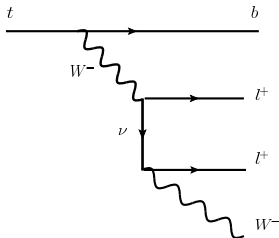
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200	$2.6 \times 10^{-6}$	$3.4 \times 10^{-6}$	300	$3.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$4.3 \times 10^{-7}$
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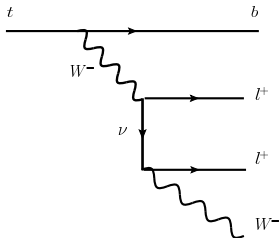
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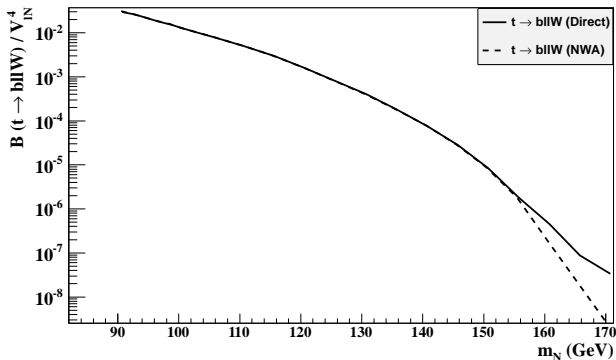
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