

Plan of Talks

1. The Standard Model and (a Little) Beyond
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3. The Numbers and What They Tell Us
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Plan of Talk IV

The Flavor Puzzle(s)

1. The SM flavor puzzle
2. Approximate Horizontal Symmetries
3. Neutrino flavor puzzles
 - Large mixing and strong hierarchy
 - Anarchy

Quark Hierarchy

The SM Flavor Puzzle

The SM flavor parameters are **small** and **hierarchical**

$$U \quad Y_t \sim 1 \quad Y_c \sim 10^{-2} \quad Y_u \sim 10^{-5}$$

$$D \quad Y_b \sim 10^{-2} \quad Y_s \sim 10^{-3} \quad Y_d \sim 10^{-4}$$

$$E \quad Y_\tau \sim 10^{-2} \quad Y_\mu \sim 10^{-3} \quad Y_e \sim 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{CKM} \quad |V_{us}| \sim 0.2 \quad |V_{cb}| \sim 0.04 \quad |V_{ub}| \sim 0.004$$

$$\text{CPV} \quad \delta_{\text{KM}} \sim 1$$

Approximate Horizontal Symmetries

- Horizontal symmetries = different generations carry different charges (unlike G_{SM})
- Approximate symmetry = broken explicitly by a small parameter of well defined charge (similar to the isospin symmetry of strong interactions) \implies ‘Selection rules’
- Approximate horizontal symmetries can naturally explain the hierarchy in the quark and charged lepton Yukawa couplings
- The measured neutrino parameters test such flavor models and may shed new light on the flavor puzzles

Neutrino Flavor Parameters

- With three active neutrinos that have Majorana-type masses, there are nine new flavor parameters: three neutrino masses, three lepton mixing angles and three phases in the mixing matrix.
- Four have been measured.
- Are flavor models consistent with

$$|U_{\mu 3} U_{\tau 3}| \sim 0.47 - 0.50$$

$$|U_{e 1} U_{e 2}| \sim 0.42 - 0.49$$

$$|U_{e 3}| \leq 0.23$$

$$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{|\Delta m_{32}^2|} \sim 0.02 - 0.04$$

- (Inconsistencies might be in the eye of the beholder.)

Neutrino Hierarchy

Abelian or non-Abelian? (I)

- SU(3) with $Q(3), \bar{U}(\bar{3})$: $\implies m_u = m_c = m_t$
- SU(3) otherwise: $\implies m_t \ll \langle \phi \rangle$
- SU(2) with $Q(2+1), \bar{U}(2+1)$: $\implies m_u = m_c$
- The data: $m_u \ll m_c \ll m_t \sim \langle \phi \rangle$

\implies The simplest non-Abelian models are excluded

Horizontal U(1) Symmetry

- $U(1)$ broken by $\lambda(-1)$ with $|\lambda| \sim 0.2$

Froggatt + Nielsen (1979)

- $Q(3, 2, 0)$, $\bar{U}(5, 2, 0)$, $\bar{D}(3, 2, 2)$

$$\implies M_u \sim \langle \phi_u \rangle \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^8 & \lambda^5 & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda^7 & \lambda^4 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^5 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_d \sim \langle \phi_d \rangle \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^6 & \lambda^5 & \lambda^5 \\ \lambda^5 & \lambda^4 & \lambda^4 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & \lambda^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Reproduces the data nicely
- The simplest models successfully predict for quarks:

$$\sin \theta_{13} \sim \sin \theta_{12} \sin \theta_{23}, \quad m_i/m_j \lesssim \sin \theta_{ij}, \quad V \sim \mathbf{1}$$

Leurer, Nir, Seiberg (1994)

- The simplest models predict for neutrinos:

$$\sin \theta_{13} \sim \sin \theta_{12} \sin \theta_{23}, \quad m_i/m_j \sim \sin^2 \theta_{ij}$$

Abelian or non-Abelian? (II)

- The simplest models of Abelian horizontal symmetries predict:

$$m_{\nu_i}/m_{\nu_j} \sim \sin^2 \theta_{ij}, \quad \sin \theta_{13} \sim \sin \theta_{12} \sin \theta_{23}$$

- The data:

$$\sin \theta_{23} \sim 1, \quad \sin \theta_{12} \sim 1, \quad \sin \theta_{13} < 0.2, \quad m_2/m_3 \sim 0.2$$

\implies The simplest Abelian models are excluded

- It is particularly difficult to explain $\sin \theta_{23} \sim 1$ with $m_2/m_3 \ll 1$
(large mixing \leftrightarrow strong hierarchy)

Abelian or non-Abelian? (III)

The data: $\sin \theta_{23} \sim 1$, $\sin \theta_{12} \sim 1$, $\sin \theta_{13} < 0.2$, $m_2/m_3 \sim 0.2$

Some options:

- $L(1, 0, 0)$ with an $\mathcal{O}(\lambda)$ accidental cancellation:
 $m_2/m_3 \sim 1(\rightarrow \lambda)$, $\sin \theta_{12} \sim \lambda(\rightarrow 1)$
- $L(0, 0, 0)$ with an $\mathcal{O}(\lambda)$ accidental cancellation:
 $m_2/m_3 \sim 1(\rightarrow \lambda)$, $\sin \theta_{13} \sim 1(\rightarrow \lambda)$
- Very specific Abelian models
- A combination of Abelian (charged fermion) and non-Abelian [neutrino (and sfermion)] symmetries

The Data

In the 2-3 generation sector, there is large mixing, but the corresponding masses are hierarchical

- $|U_{\mu 3}U_{\tau 3}| = \mathcal{O}(1)$.
- $\Delta m_{21}^2/\Delta m_{32}^2 \ll 1$ suggests $m_2/m_3 \ll 1$.

The Puzzle

$$M_{\nu}^{2-3} = \frac{\langle \phi \rangle^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B & C \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\tan 2\theta_{23} = \frac{2B}{C-A}$
Large mixing $\implies |B| \sim |C - A|$
- $\frac{m_2 m_3}{(m_2 + m_3)^2} = \frac{AC - B^2}{(A + C)^2}$
Strong hierarchy $\implies |AC - B^2| \ll |A + C|^2$
- Large mixing + strong hierarchy: $\implies AC - B^2 \ll AC, B^2$

Fine Tuning?

Solutions

1. Accidental hierarchy
2. Several sources for neutrino masses
 - (a) A single right-handed neutrino dominance
 - (b) Supersymmetric models without R-parity
3. Large mixing from the charged lepton sector
4. Large mixing from the see-saw mechanism
5. (A three generation mechanism ($L_e - L_\mu - L_\tau$ symmetry))

$$\underline{L_e - L_\mu - L_\tau \quad (\mathbf{I})}$$

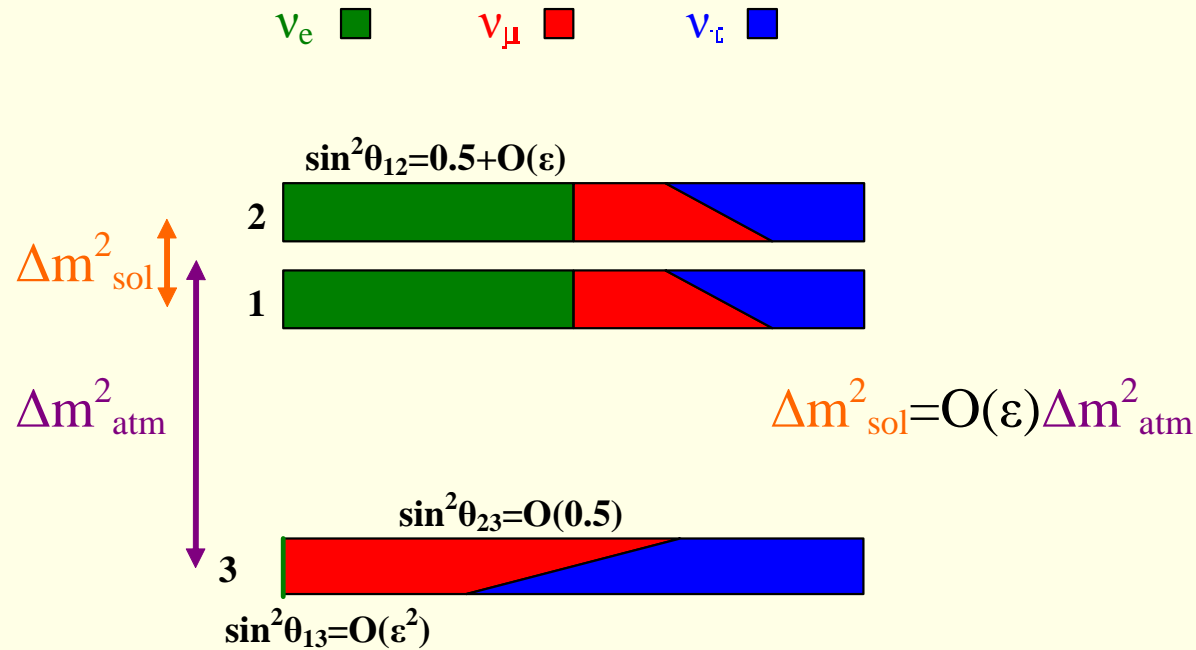
- An example of an approximate horizontal Abelian symmetry:
- $U(1)_{e-\mu-\tau}$ broken by $\epsilon_+(+2)$ and $\epsilon_-(-2)$, with $|\epsilon_\pm| \ll 1$.

$$\bullet M_\nu \sim \frac{\langle \phi \rangle^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}} \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_- & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \epsilon_+ & \epsilon_+ \\ 1 & \epsilon_+ & \epsilon_+ \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_\ell \sim \langle \phi \rangle \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_e & \lambda_\mu \epsilon_- & \lambda_\tau \epsilon_- \\ \lambda_e \epsilon_+ & \lambda_\mu & \lambda_\tau \\ \lambda_e \epsilon_+ & \lambda_\mu & \lambda_\tau \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\lambda_{e,\mu,\tau}$ affect neither mixing angles nor neutrino masses
- Can estimate all ν -parameters in terms of $m \sim \frac{\langle \phi \rangle^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}}$, ϵ_+ , ϵ_- .

Large Mixing \leftrightarrow Strong Hierarchy

$L_e - L_\mu - L_\tau$ (II)



$$m_{1,2} = m[1 \pm \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\pm})], \quad m_3 = m\mathcal{O}(\epsilon_+)$$

$$|U_{\mu 3}U_{\tau 3}| = \mathcal{O}(1), \quad |U_{e1}U_{e2}| = 1/2 - \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\pm}^2), \quad |U_{e3}| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\pm})$$

$L_e - L_\mu - L_\tau$ (III)

$$m_{1,2} = m[1 \pm \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_\pm)], \quad m_3 = m\mathcal{O}(\epsilon_+)$$

$$|U_{\mu 3}| = \mathcal{O}(1), \quad |U_{e 3}| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_\pm), \quad |U_{e 1} U_{e 2}| = 1/2 - \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_\pm^2)$$

- Large mixing ($|U_{\mu 3}| \sim 1$) with strong hierarchy ($\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{\Delta m_{23}^2} \sim \epsilon_\pm$)
- One small + two large angles: $\sin \theta_{13} \ll \sin \theta_{12} \sin \theta_{23}$
- Pseudo-Dirac SN ($\theta_{12} \approx \pi/4$, $\Delta m_{21}^2 \ll m_{2,1}^2$)
- Inverted hierarchy ($m_{1,2} \gg m_3$)
- Relations between $\Delta m_{\text{SN}}^2 / \Delta m_{\text{AN}}^2$, $|U_{e 1} U_{e 2}| - \frac{1}{2}$, $|U_{e 3}|$.
- Solar mixing near-maximal:

$$|U_{e 1} U_{e 2}| = \frac{1}{2} - \mathcal{O} \left[\left(\frac{\Delta m_{\text{SN}}^2}{\Delta m_{\text{AN}}^2} \right)^2 \right] = 0.500(2)$$
 \implies **EXCLUDED**

Neutrino Anarchy

The Data

None of the measured neutrino flavor parameters is $\ll 1$

- $|U_{\mu 3}U_{\tau 3}| = \mathcal{O}(1)$
- $\frac{m_2}{m_3} \geq \sqrt{\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{\Delta m_{32}^2}} = \mathcal{O}(0.15)$
- $|U_{e1}U_{\mu 1}| = \mathcal{O}(1)$
- $|U_{e3}| \leq 0.23$

Future tests:

- $|U_{e3}| \ll 1?$
- $m_3 \gg \sqrt{\Delta m_{\text{AN}}^2}?$
- $|U_{\mu 3}U_{\tau 3}| - 1/2 \ll 1?$

The Idea

The charged fermion flavor parameters have a special structure, that is, they are small and **hierarchical**



Could it be that the neutrino flavor parameters have no special structure, that is, they are **anarchical**?

Hall, Murayama, Weiner (2000)

Lessons for Theory

A simple (but, perhaps, disappointing) explanation:

- All doublet-lepton fields L_i carry the same horizontal charge
 \implies The Yukawa couplings and the singlet-neutrino masses are hierarchical, but $m_\nu^{\text{light}} \sim \langle \phi \rangle^2 Y M^{-1} Y^T$ is not.

An intriguing possibility:

- The special, Majorana nature of ν 's makes them flavor blind

Goswami, Indumathi, Shadmi, Nir (in progress)

An explicit example:

- Horizontal symmetries broken at the same scale as L
 $\implies Y, M$ (and, consequently, m_ν^{light}) are all anarchical.

Summary

- Neutrino flavor parameters have features that are very different from the charged fermion parameters.
- Some of the features are surprising:
 - Large mixing \leftrightarrow strong hierarchy in the 2 – 3 sector;
 - Near-maximal 2 – 3 mixing;
 - Two large (s_{12}, s_{23}) and one small (s_{13}) mixing angles.
- Most of the simplest and most predictive flavor models - excluded.
- Quite likely, the neutrino flavor structure involves the heavy, singlet neutrinos in a significant way (the LEET is not enough)
- Neutrino mass anarchy?
Interplay between flavor and Majorana/Dirac?

Prospects

There is still a lot to be learnt:

1. $|U_{e3}| \ll 1?$

Small or tiny?

2. $|U_{\mu 3} U_{\tau 3}| \neq \frac{1}{2}?$

Large or maximal?

3. $m_i = ?$

Hierarchical or degenerate?

4. $\Delta m_{32}^2 > 0?$

Normal or inverted?

5. $m_{ee} = ?$

Majorana or Dirac?

The NP Flavor Puzzle

- Generically, no GIM mechanism to explain the smallness of FCNC
- In SUSY, many new sources of flavor violation and of CPV

$$K - \bar{K} \text{ mixing} : \implies \frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{\tilde{m}} \frac{\tilde{m}_{d_2}^2 - \tilde{m}_{d_1}^2}{\tilde{m}^2} K_{12}^d \leq 10^{-3}.$$

\implies The flavor (and phase) structure of SUSY is highly non-generic

- Universality: degeneracy between sfermion generations
- Alignment: smallness of supersymmetric mixing angles
- Heaviness: first two squark generations heavier than TeV
- (Approximate CP: CPV phases are small)
- Universality \leftrightarrow non-Abelian
- Alignment \leftrightarrow Abelian

$L_2, L_3, \text{single } N$

$$M_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & Y_2 \langle \phi \rangle \\ 0 & 0 & Y_3 \langle \phi \rangle \\ Y_2 \langle \phi \rangle & Y_3 \langle \phi \rangle & M \end{pmatrix}$$

\implies One heavy [$\mathcal{O}(M)$] and two light [$\mathcal{O}(\langle \phi \rangle^2/M)$] neutrinos:

$$m_N = M, \quad m_\nu^{\text{light}} = \frac{\langle \phi \rangle^2}{M} \begin{pmatrix} Y_2^2 & Y_2 Y_3 \\ Y_2 Y_3 & Y_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

\implies Strong hierarchy and (for $Y_2/Y_3 = \mathcal{O}(1)$) large angle:

$$\tan 2\theta_{23} = \frac{2Y_2 Y_3}{Y_3^2 - Y_2^2} = \mathcal{O}(1), \quad m_2 = 0, \quad m_3 = \frac{(Y_2^2 + Y_3^2) \langle \phi \rangle^2}{M}$$

• $\Delta m_{32}^2 \neq 0$ and $\Delta m_{21}^2 \neq 0 \implies$ at least two N 's required

\implies 'Single right-handed neutrino dominance'