

Radiative Emission of Neutrino Pair from atoms/molecules

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Undetermined Properties of Neutrinos

Absolute mass

$$m_{1(3)} < 0.19 \text{ eV}, \quad 0.050 \text{ eV} < m_{3(2)} < 0.58 \text{ eV}$$

Mass type

Dirac or Majorana

Hierarchy pattern

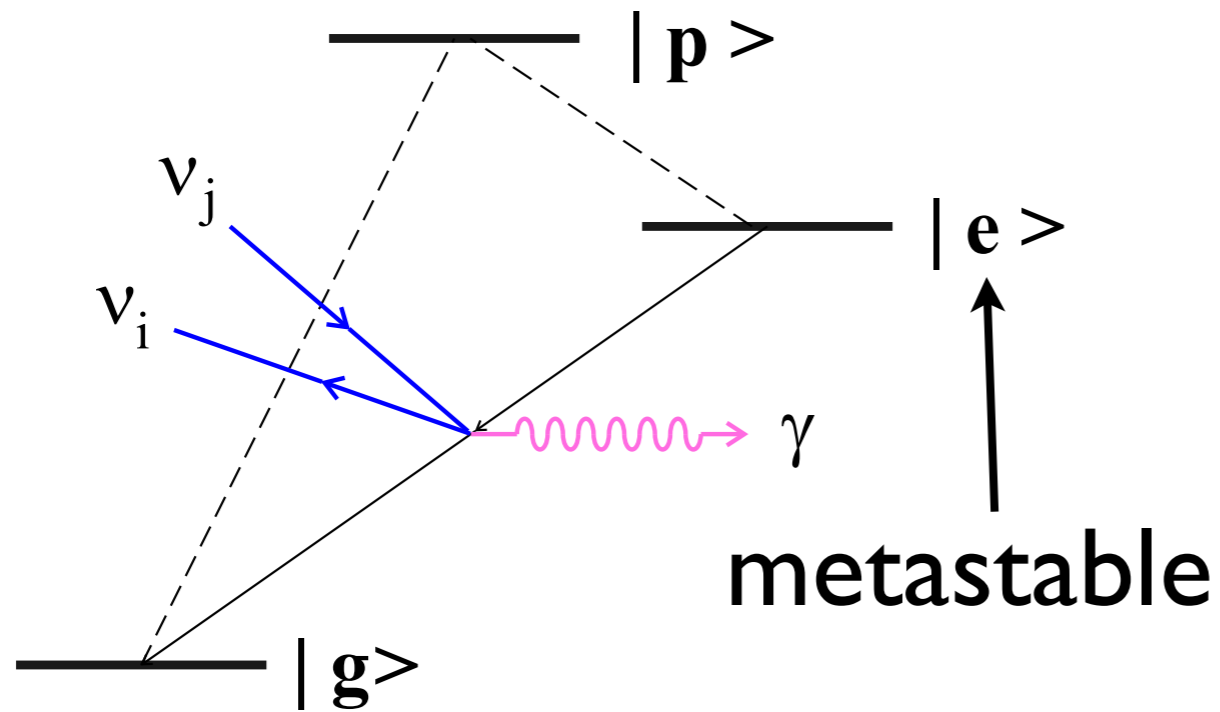
normal or inverted

CP violation

one Dirac phase, two Majorana phases

Atomic/molecular processes will help.

Radiative Emission of Neutrino Pair (RENPN)



Λ -type level structure

Ba, Xe, Ca⁺, Yb, ...

H₂, O₂, I₂, ...

Atomic/molecular energy scale \sim eV or less

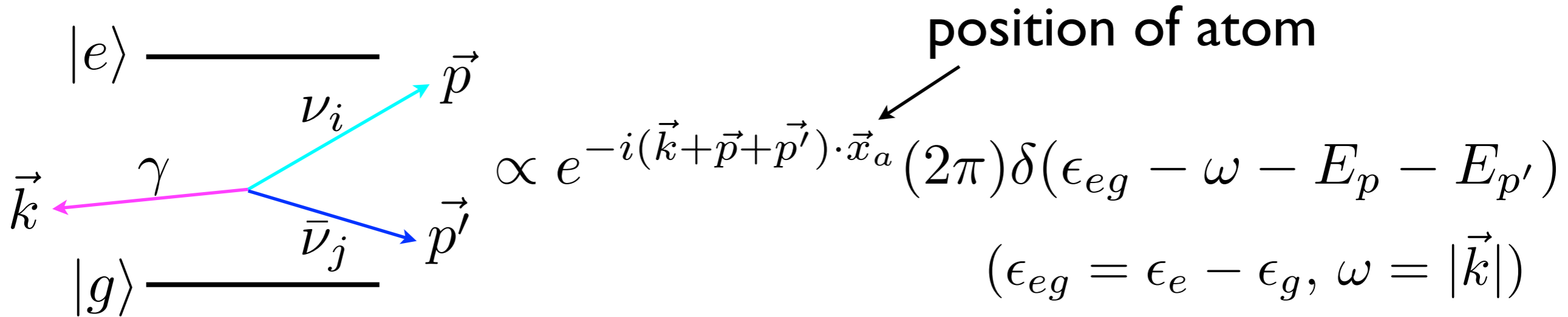
cf. nuclear processes \sim MeV

$$\text{Rate} \sim \alpha G_F^2 E^5 \sim 1/(10^{33} \text{ s})$$

Enhancement mechanism?

Macro-coherence

Yoshimura et al. (2008)



N atoms, volume V ($n=N/V$)

total amp. $\propto \sum_a e^{-i(\vec{k} + \vec{p} + \vec{p}') \cdot \vec{x}_a} \simeq \frac{N}{V} (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\vec{k} + \vec{p} + \vec{p}')$

$d\Gamma \propto n^2 V (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(q - p - p')$ $q^\mu = (\epsilon_{eg} - \omega, -\vec{k})$

macro-coherent amplification

RENPs spectrum

Energy-momentum conservation
due to the macro-coherence

 familiar 3-body decay kinematics

Six thresholds of the photon energy

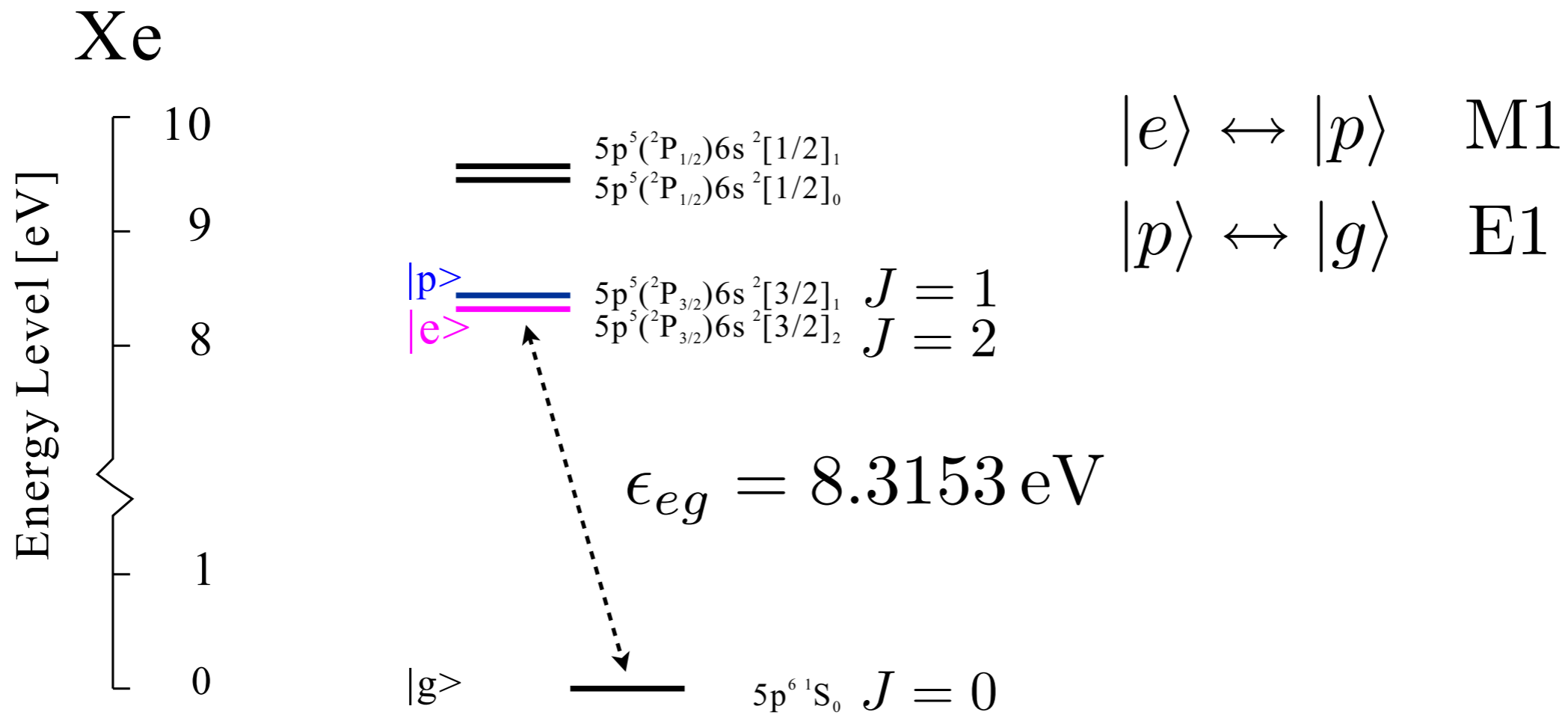
$$\omega_{ij} = \frac{\epsilon_{eg}}{2} - \frac{(m_i + m_j)^2}{2\epsilon_{eg}} \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\epsilon_{eg} = \epsilon_e - \epsilon_g \quad \text{atomic energy diff.}$$

Required energy resolution $\sim O(10^{-6})$ eV

typical laser linewidth

$$\Delta\omega_{\text{trig.}} \lesssim 1 \text{ GHz} \sim O(10^{-6}) \text{ eV}$$



Overall rate

macro-coherence

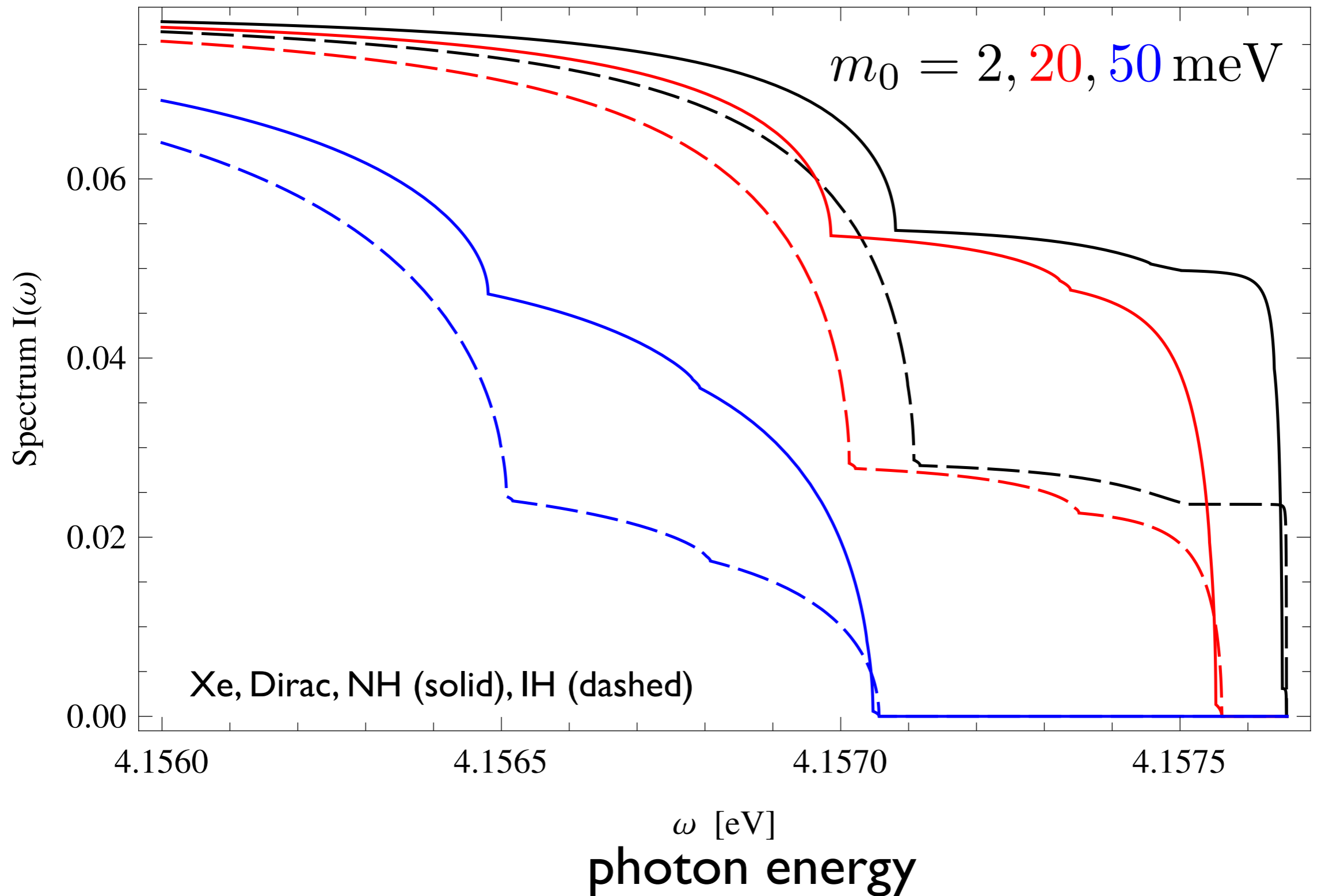
~ field energy density

$$\Gamma_0 = \frac{3n^2V G_F^2 \gamma_{pg} \epsilon_{eg} n}{2\epsilon_{pg}^3} (2J_p + 1) C_{ep} \sim 1\text{ Hz } (n/10^{22}\text{ cm}^{-3})^3 (V/10^2\text{ cm}^3)$$

$\gamma_{pg} : |p\rangle \rightarrow |g\rangle$ **rate**

$(2J_p + 1) C_{ep} : \text{ atomic spin factor}$

Spectra in the near-threshold region



Neutrino Physics with Atoms/Molecules

- ★ **REN**P spectra are sensitive to unknown neutrino parameters.

Absolute mass, Dirac or Majorana,
NH or IH, CP

- ★ The **macro-coherence** is essential.

Proof by a companion QED process
(paired super-radiance).

Atomic/molecular processes will help.

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RENIP rate formula

$$\Gamma_{\gamma 2\nu}(\omega, t) = \Gamma_0 I(\omega) \eta_\omega(t)$$

↑ overall rate
↑ spectral function
↑ dynamical factor

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Spectral function

$$I(\omega) = F(\omega) / (\epsilon_{pg} - \omega)^2$$

$$F(\omega) = \sum_{ij} \Delta_{ij} (B_{ij} I_{ij}(\omega) - \delta_M B_{ij}^M m_i m_j) \theta(\omega_{ij} - \omega)$$

$$\Delta_{ij}^2 = 1 - 2 \frac{m_i^2 + m_j^2}{q^2} + \frac{(m_i^2 - m_j^2)^2}{q^4} \quad q^2 = (p_i + p_j)^2$$

$$I_{ij}(\omega) = \frac{q^2}{6} \left[2 - \frac{m_i^2 + m_j^2}{q^2} - \frac{(m_i^2 - m_j^2)^2}{q^4} \right] + \frac{\omega^2}{9} \left[1 + \frac{m_i^2 + m_j^2}{q^2} - 2 \frac{(m_i^2 - m_j^2)^2}{q^4} \right]$$

$\delta_M = 0(1)$ for Dirac(Majorana)

$$B_{ij} = |U_{ei}^* U_{ej} - \delta_{ij}/2|^2, \quad B_{ij}^M = \Re[(U_{ei}^* U_{ej} - \delta_{ij}/2)^2]$$

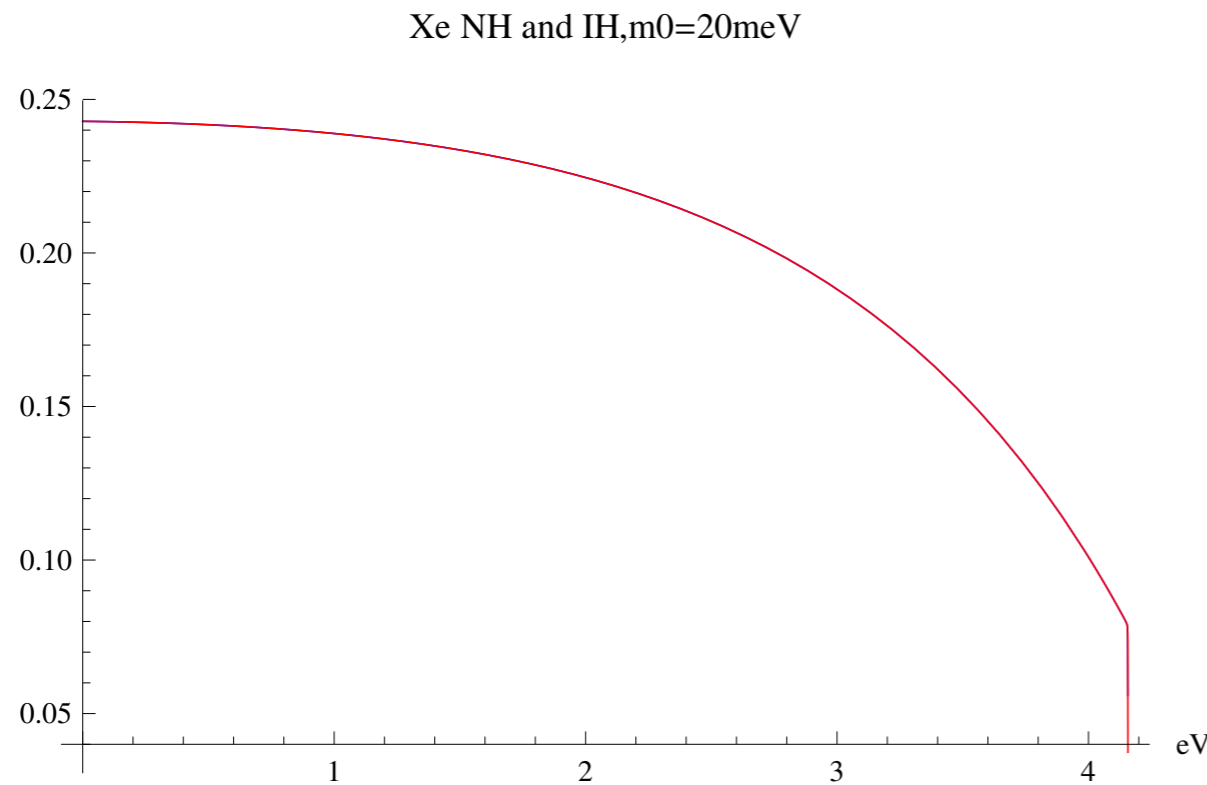
Dynamical factor

$$\sim |\text{coherence} \times \text{field}|^2$$

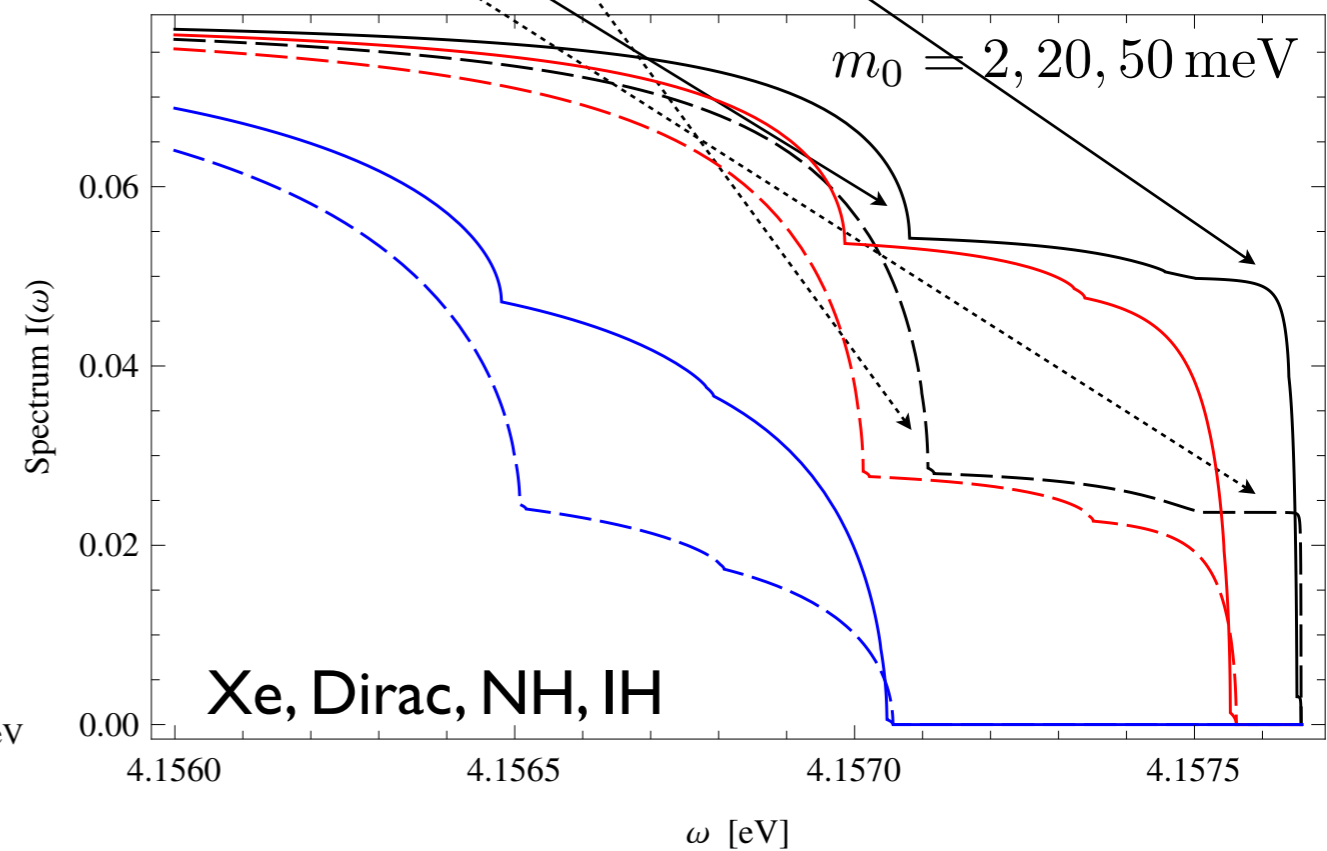
The threshold weight factors

B_{11}	B_{22}	B_{33}	$B_{12} + B_{21}$	$B_{23} + B_{32}$	$B_{31} + B_{13}$
$(c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 - 1/2)^2$	$(s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 - 1/2)^2$	$(s_{13}^2 - 1/2)^2$	$2c_{12}^2 s_{12}^2 c_{13}^4$	$2s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 s_{13}^2$	$2c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 s_{13}^2$
0.0311	0.0401	0.227	0.405	0.0144	0.0325

Global shape



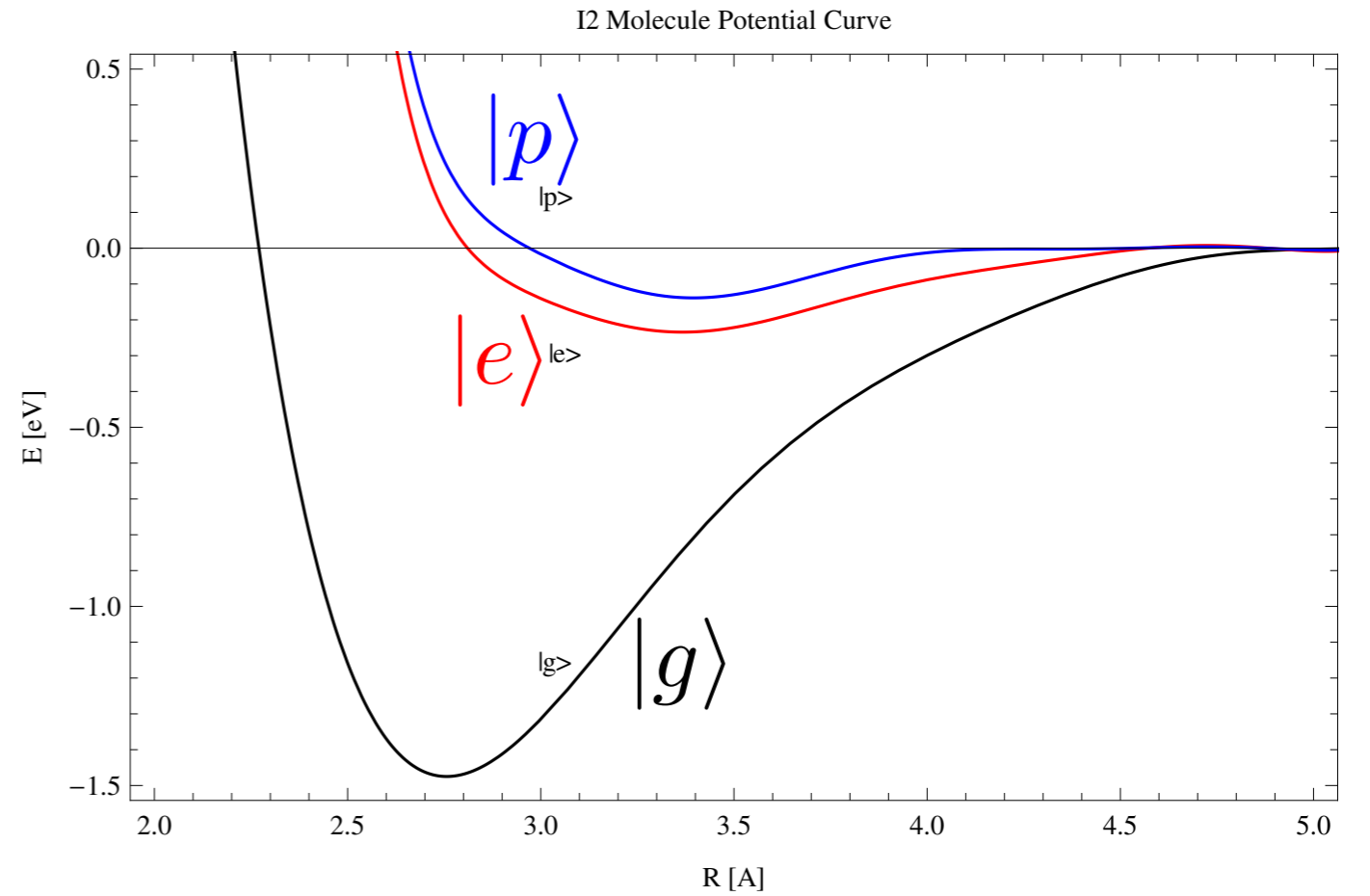
Threshold region



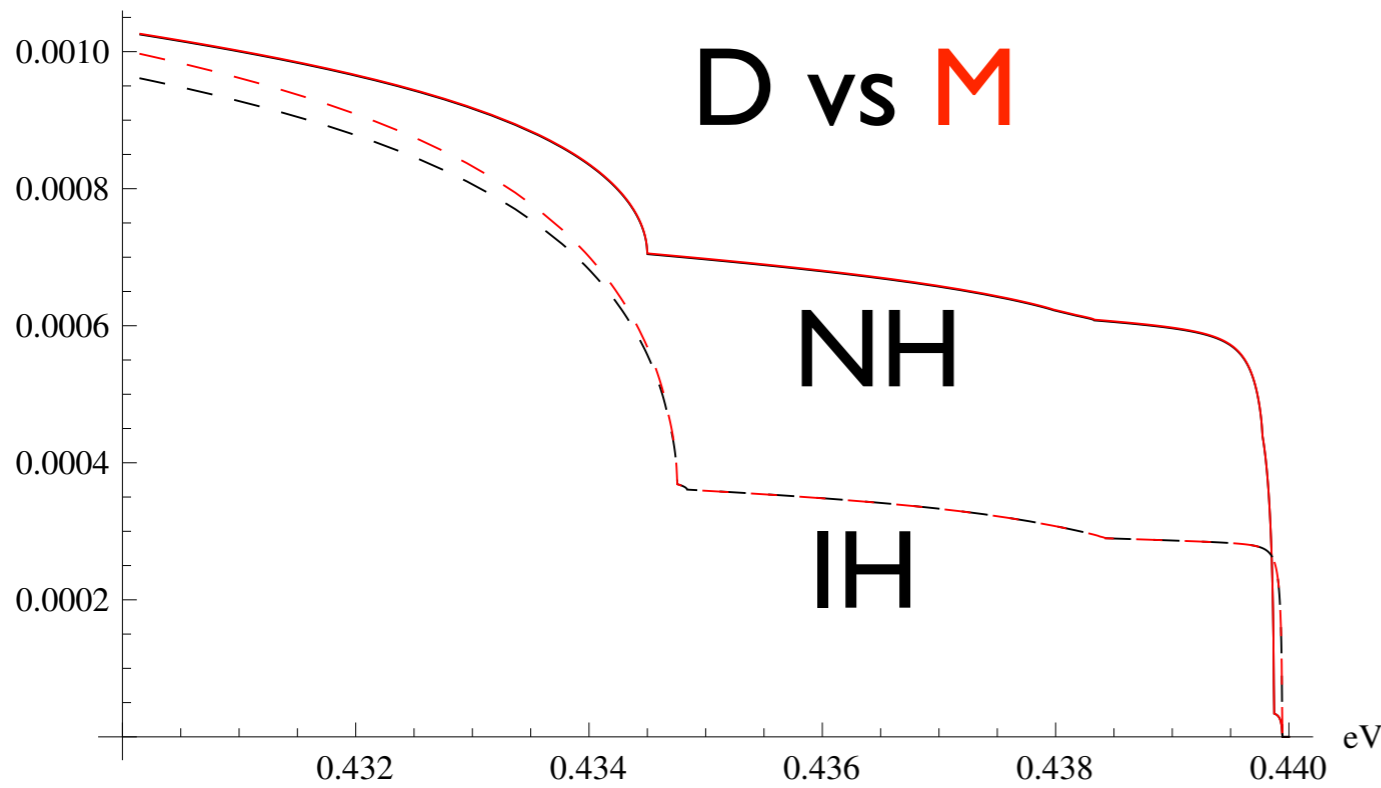
I2 molecule potential curves

$$\epsilon_{eg} \sim 1 \text{ eV}$$

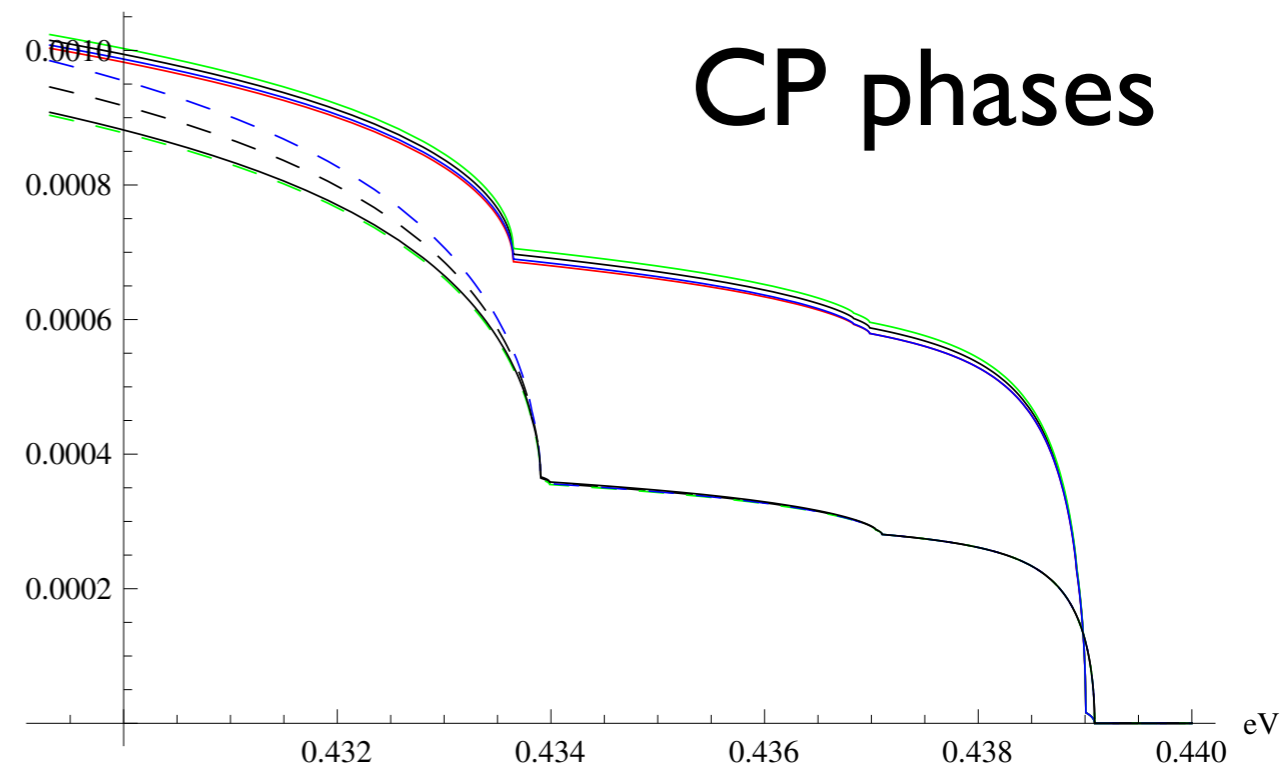
I2 A'v=1 → Xv=15: m0=5meV



I2 A'v=1 → Xv=15: m0=20meV



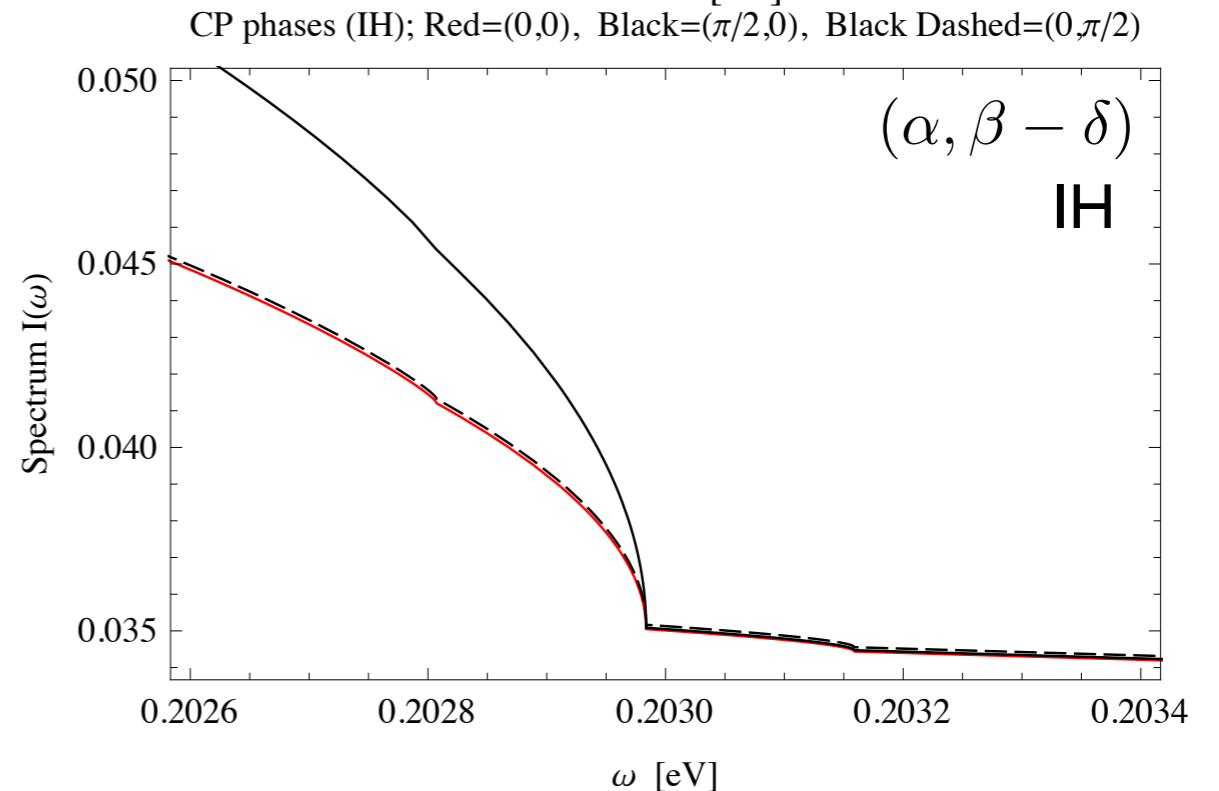
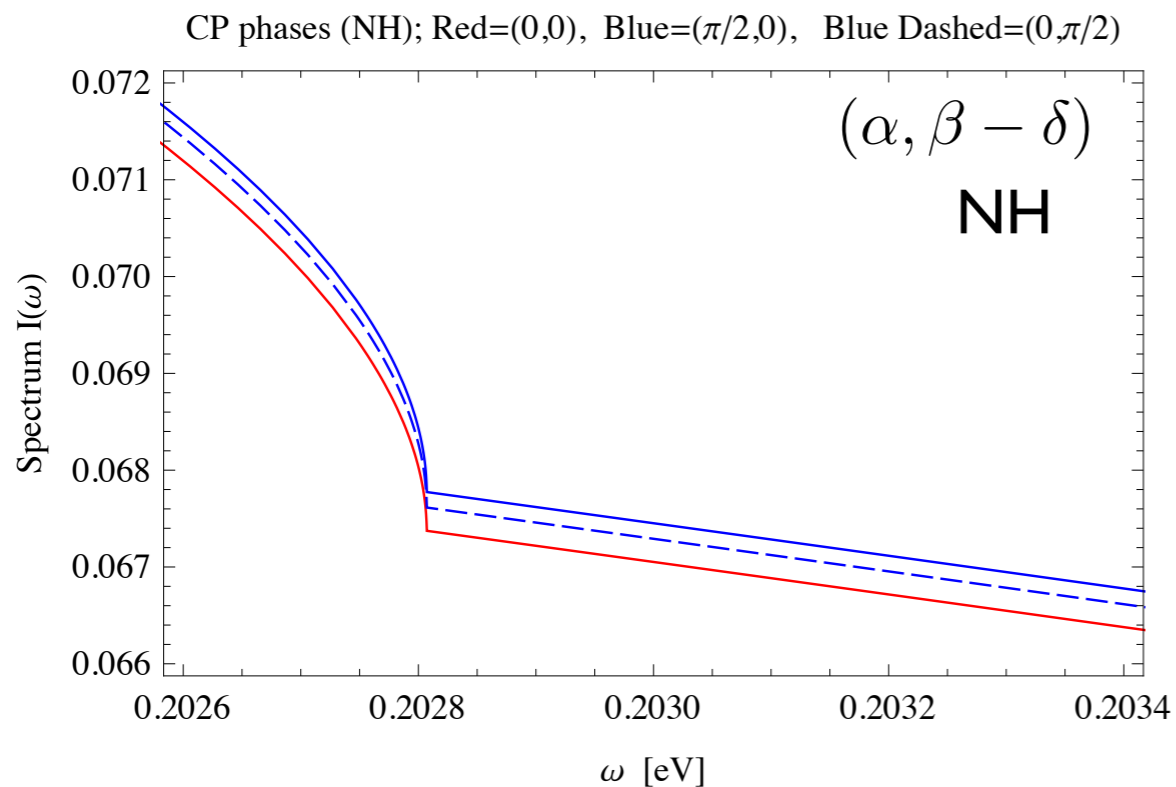
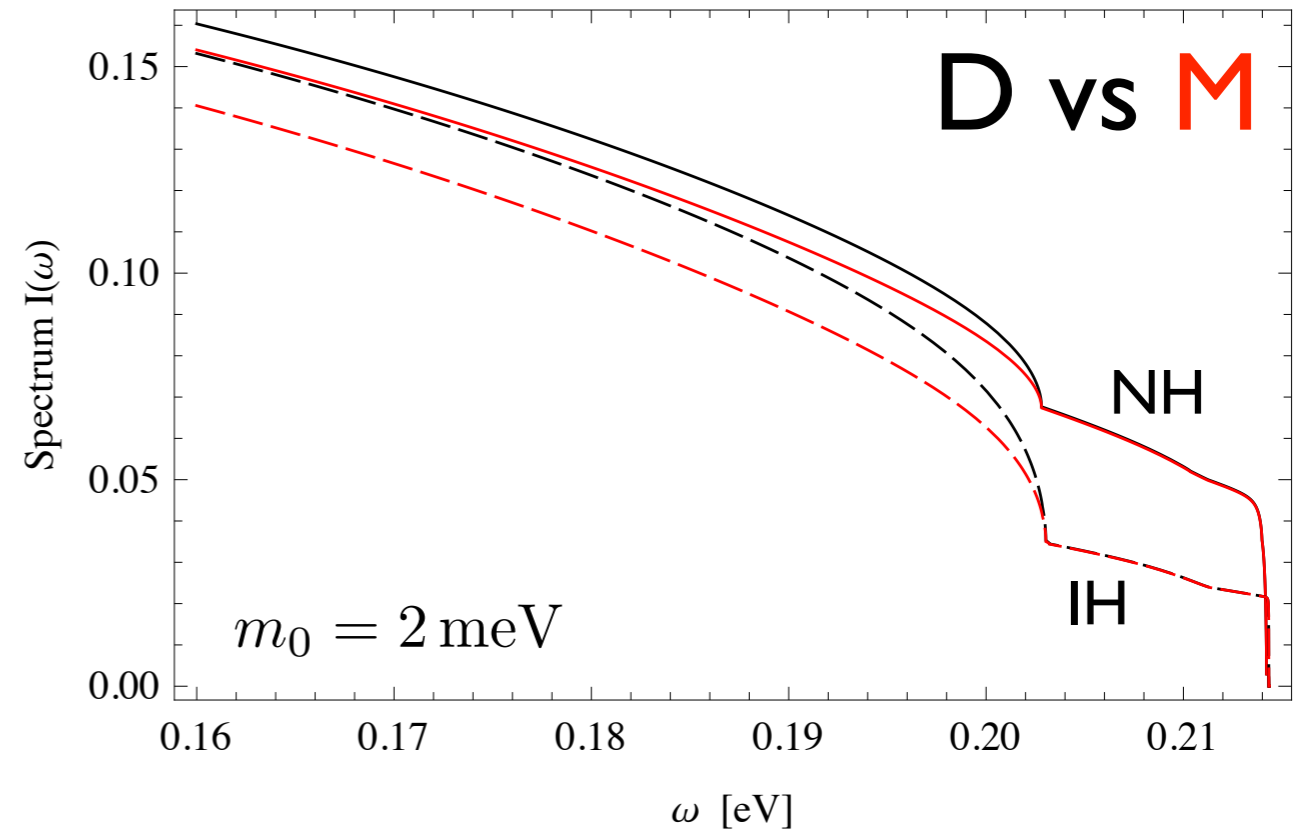
D-M diff. < 10%



More on Dirac vs Majorana and CP phases

hypothetical atom

$$\epsilon_{eg} = 0.43 \text{ eV}$$



Coherences in RENP

Atomic coherence $(|g\rangle + |e\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$, $\rho_{eg} = 1/2$

Target coherence $\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|g\rangle + |e\rangle) \right]^N$

$$\xrightarrow{J_-} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^N}} [|g\rangle (|g\rangle + |e\rangle) \cdots (|g\rangle + |e\rangle) \\ + (|g\rangle + |e\rangle) |g\rangle \cdots (|g\rangle + |e\rangle) \\ + \cdots]$$

$$\Gamma \propto N^2$$

Macro-coherence

$$\Gamma \propto N^2/V = n^2V$$