

BACKGROUND AND MOTIVATION

- The existence of the **Cosmic Neutrino Background (CNB)** is predicted,
 $T_\nu = \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{1/3} T_\gamma \sim 1.95 \text{ K} \sim 1.68 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV}$.
- It would be interesting to study their properties, such as lepton numbers stored in CNB.
- Since we have known a lots of information on neutrinos, such as their mass and mixing, then we are able to study how CNB exists.
- If neutrino is Majorana particles, it seems

difficult to assign any lepton number for them.

- The particle number can be defined for the complex field, $\phi^c = \phi^\dagger \neq \phi$. It is associated to the phase transformation, $\phi' = e^{i\alpha}\phi$.
- Since Majorana field satisfies $\psi^c = \psi$, how one can define their lepton numbers?
- How lepton number evolves by time?

THE SET UP

A neutrino carries the lepton number L_α ($\alpha = e, \mu, \tau$) associated with charged lepton.

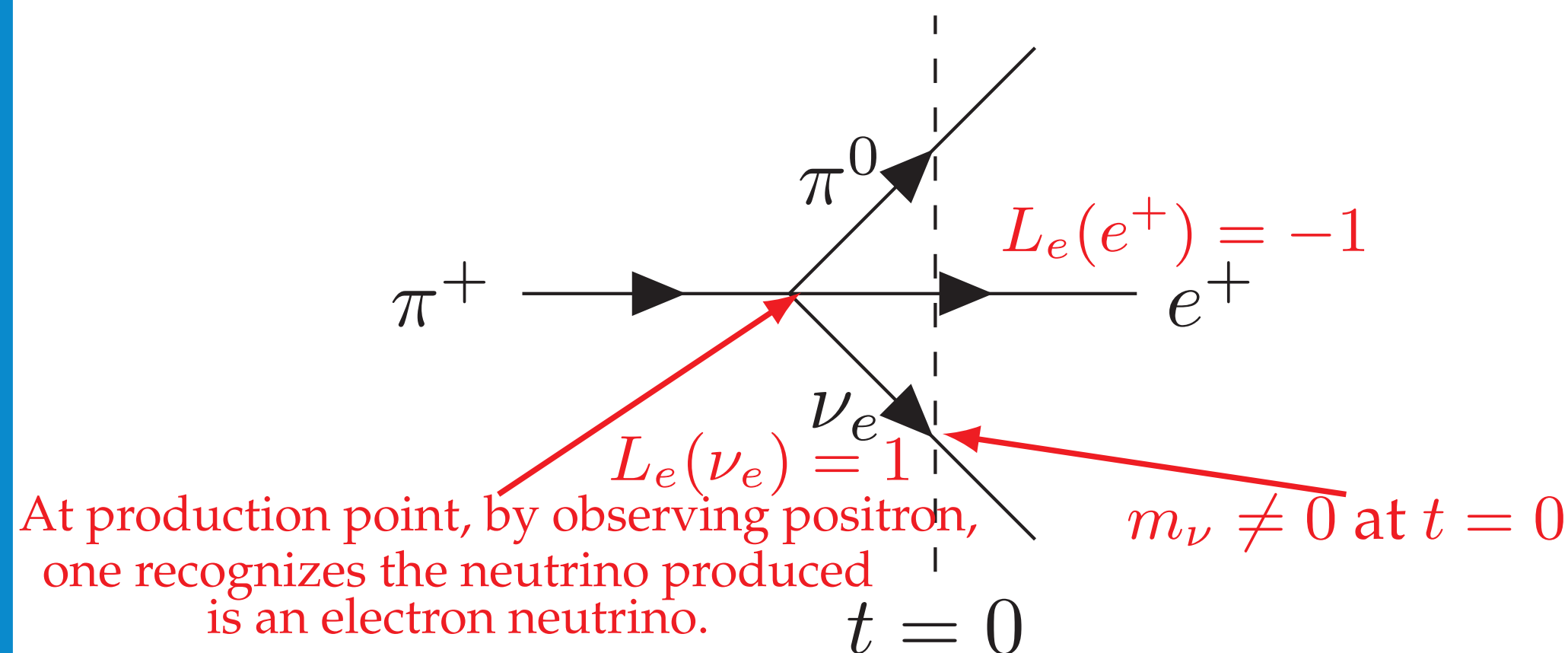


Figure 1: The production of the electron neutrino and its propagation. At $t < 0$, the mass term vanishes.

We turn on the Majorana mass $m_{\alpha\beta}$ at $t = 0$.

$$\mathcal{L}_m = -\theta(t) \left\{ \frac{m_{\alpha\beta}}{2} \overline{(\nu_{\alpha L})^c} \nu_{\beta L} + h.c. \right\},$$

Time evolution of lepton family number operator for $t \geq 0$,

$$L_\alpha(t) = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3 2|\mathbf{p}|} \left\{ a_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, t) a_\alpha(\mathbf{p}, t) - b_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, t) b_\alpha(\mathbf{p}, t) \right\}$$

$$= \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3 2|\mathbf{p}|} \sum_{\beta, \gamma, i, j} \left[\{ V_{\alpha i}^* V_{\beta i} V_{\alpha j} V_{\gamma j} a_\beta(-\mathbf{p}) a_\gamma^\dagger(-\mathbf{p}) - V_{\alpha i} V_{\beta i} V_{\alpha j}^* V_{\gamma j}^* b_\beta(-\mathbf{p}) b_\gamma^\dagger(-\mathbf{p}) \} \frac{m_i m_j \sin(E_i(\mathbf{p})t) \sin(E_j(\mathbf{p})t)}{|\mathbf{p}|^2} \right.$$

$$+ \{ V_{\alpha i}^* V_{\beta i} V_{\alpha j} V_{\gamma j}^* a_\beta^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) a_\gamma(\mathbf{p}) - V_{\alpha i} V_{\beta i} V_{\alpha j}^* V_{\gamma j} b_\beta^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) b_\gamma(\mathbf{p}) \} \{ \cos E_i(\mathbf{p})t \cos E_j(\mathbf{p})t$$

$$+ \sin E_i(\mathbf{p})t \sin E_j(\mathbf{p})t + i \frac{E_i(\mathbf{p}) \sin E_i(\mathbf{p})t \cos E_j(\mathbf{p})t - E_j(\mathbf{p}) \sin E_j(\mathbf{p})t \cos E_i(\mathbf{p})t}{|\mathbf{p}|} \}$$

$$+ i \{ V_{\alpha i}^* V_{\beta i} V_{\alpha j} V_{\gamma j} a_\beta^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) a_\gamma^\dagger(-\mathbf{p}) + V_{\alpha i} V_{\beta i} V_{\alpha j}^* V_{\gamma j}^* b_\beta^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) b_\gamma^\dagger(-\mathbf{p}) \} \frac{m_j \sin E_j(\mathbf{p})t \{ \cos E_i(\mathbf{p})t + i \frac{E_i(\mathbf{p})}{|\mathbf{p}|} \sin E_i(\mathbf{p})t \}}{|\mathbf{p}|}$$

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The neutrino field is expanded with massless spinor,

$$\nu_{\alpha L}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3 2|\mathbf{p}|} (a_\alpha(\mathbf{p}) e^{-i|\mathbf{p}|t + i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} u_L(\mathbf{p}) + b_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) e^{i|\mathbf{p}|t - i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} v_L(\mathbf{p})).$$

One can define lepton number operator for $t < 0$,

$$L_\alpha(t) = \int d^3\mathbf{x} : \overline{\nu_{\alpha L}} \gamma^0 \nu_{\alpha L} :$$

$$= \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{2|\mathbf{p}|(2\pi)^3} (a_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) a_\alpha(\mathbf{p}) - b_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) b_\alpha(\mathbf{p})).$$

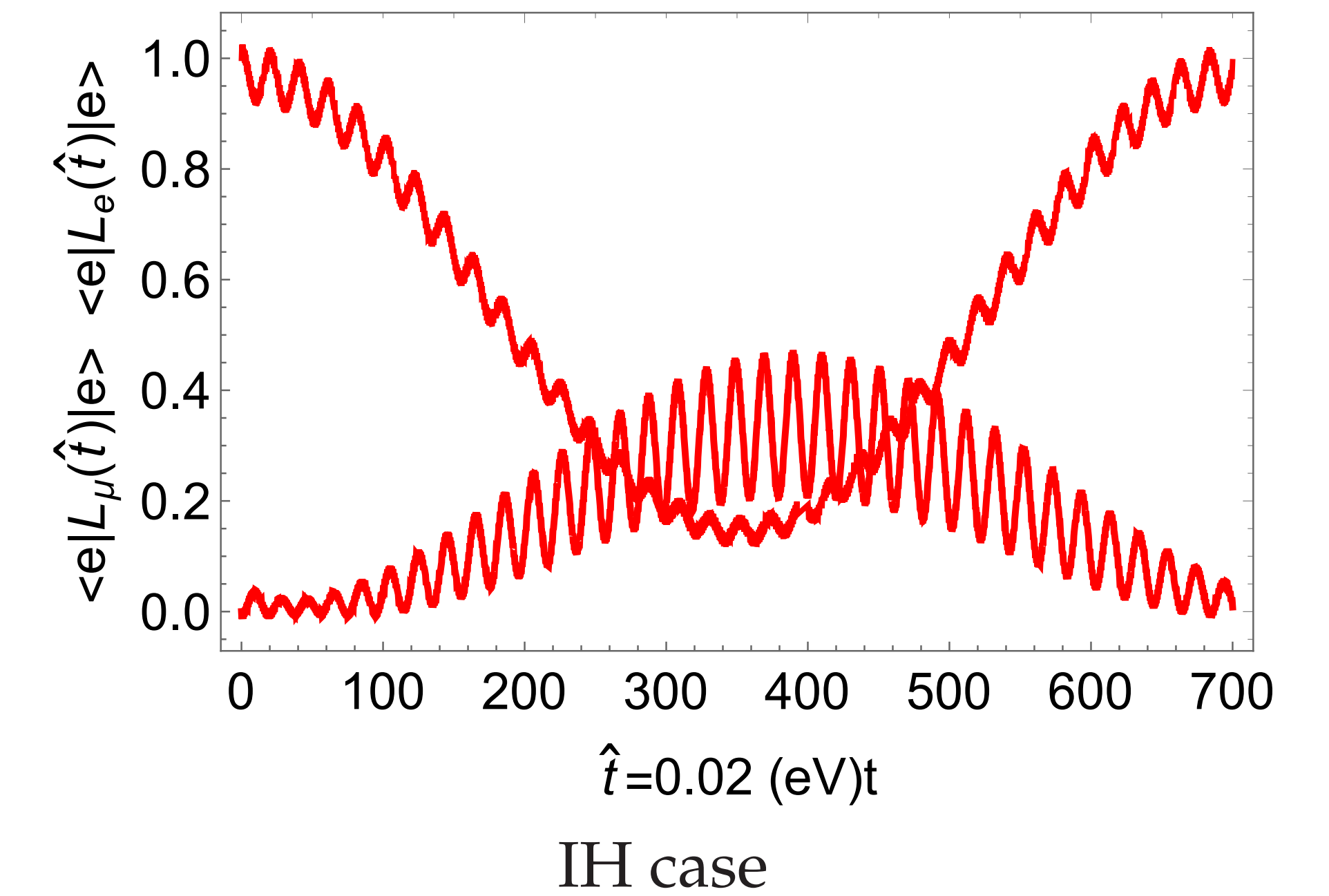
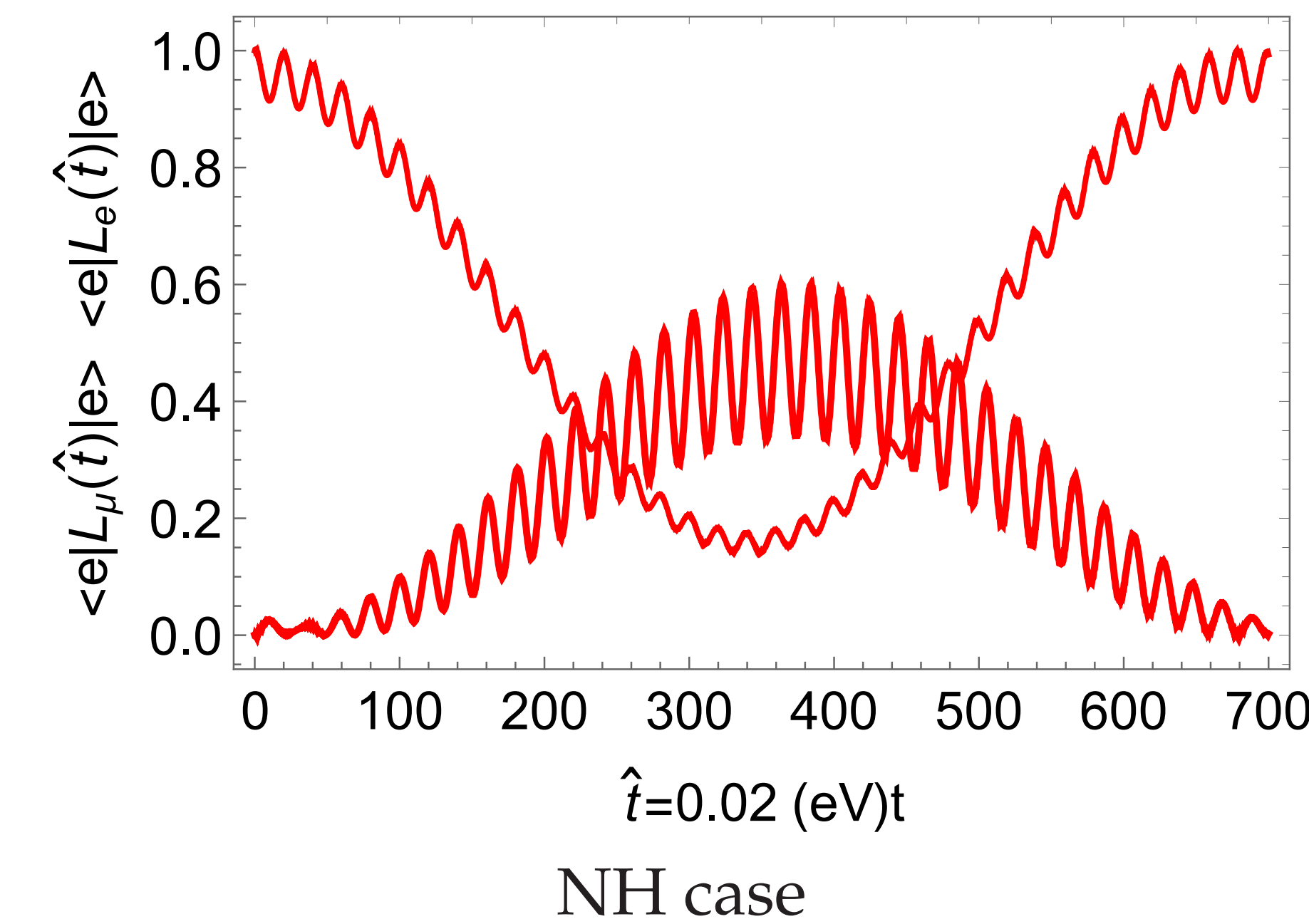
Continuity condition for operators at $t = 0$,

$$\nu_{L\alpha}(t = 0_-) = V_{\alpha i} L\psi_i(t = 0_+), \quad V: \text{PMNS matrix}$$

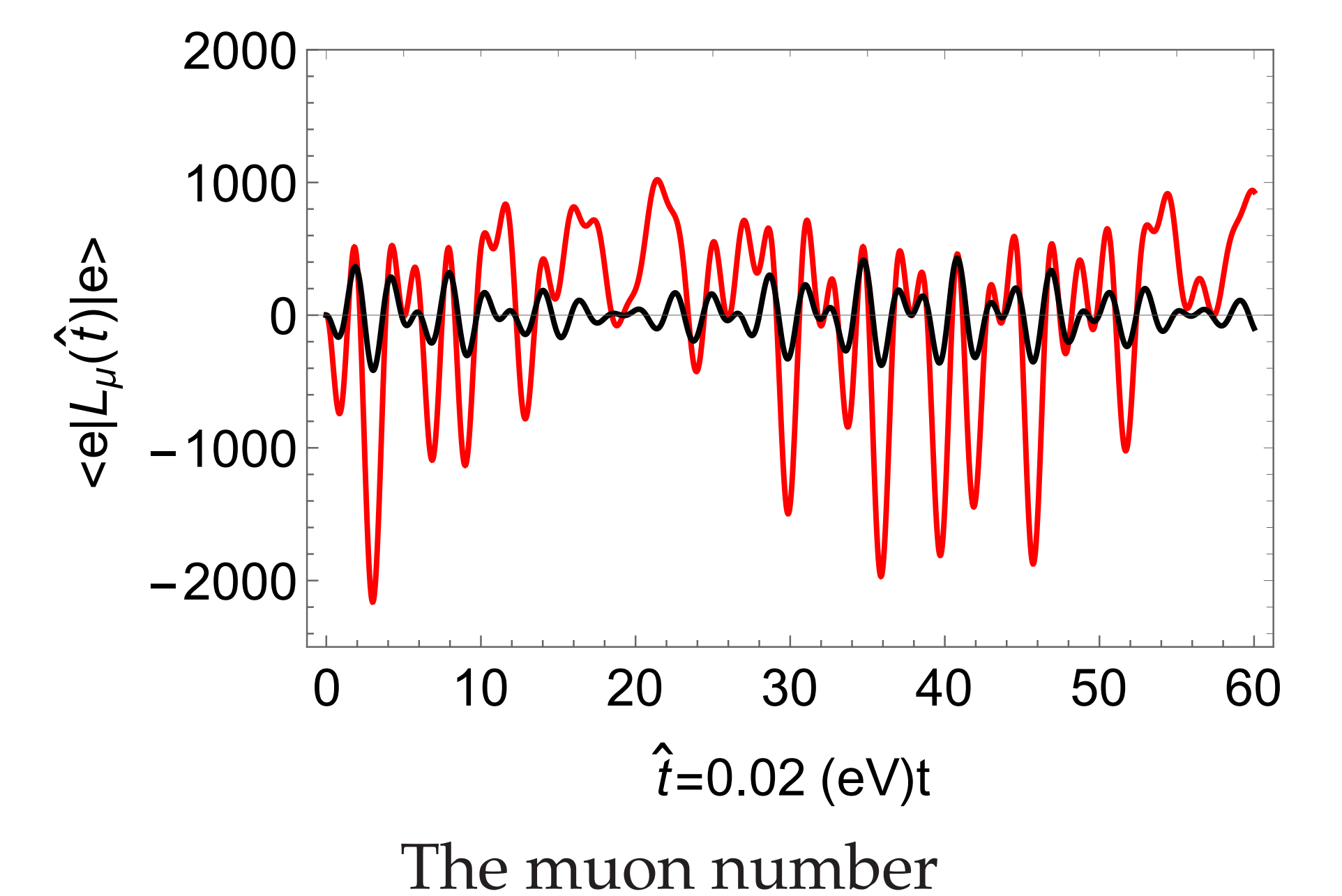
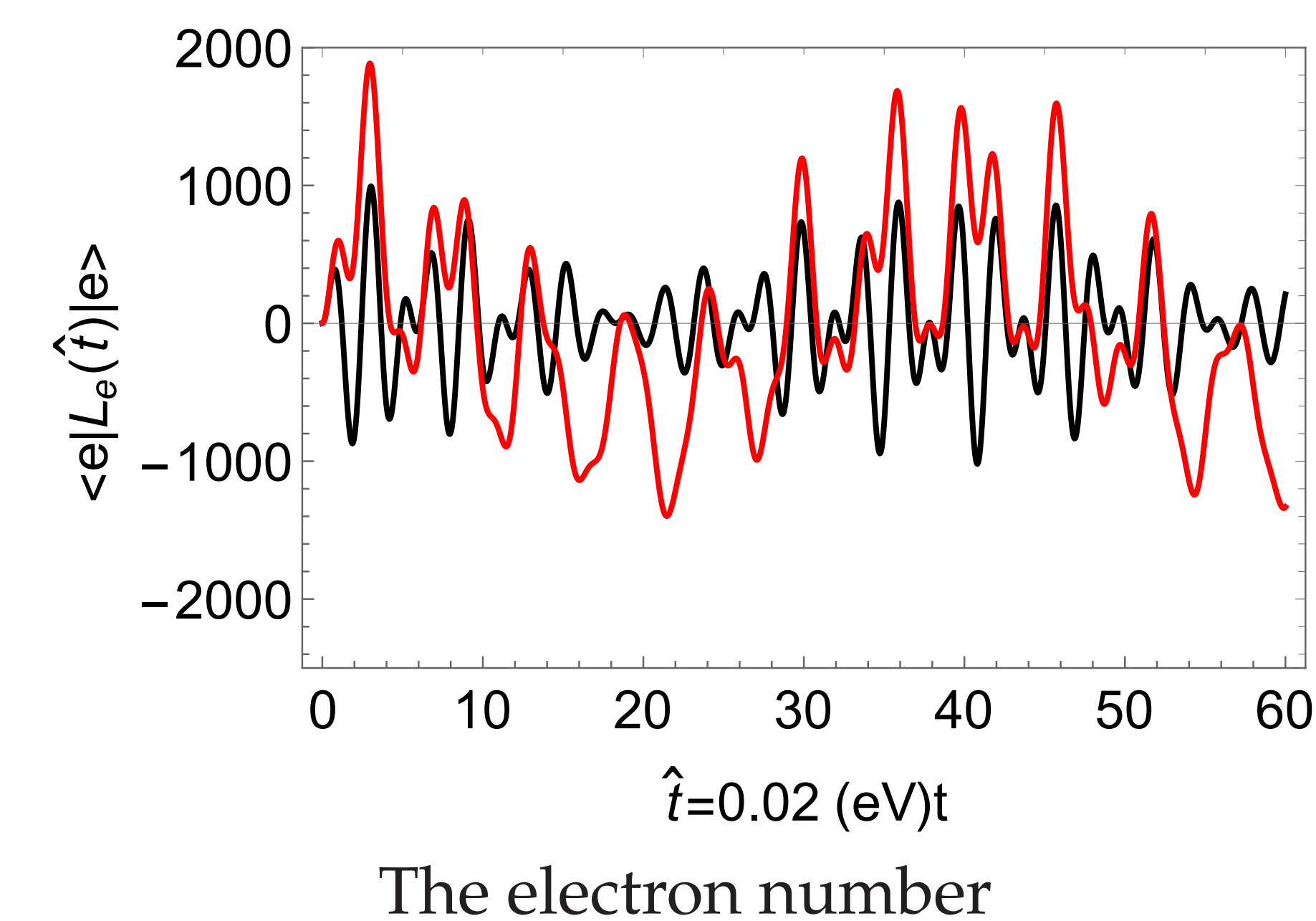
$$\psi_i(\mathbf{x}, 0_+) = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i(\mathbf{p})} \sum_{\lambda=\pm 1} (a_{M\lambda}^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, \lambda) u_i(\mathbf{p}, \lambda) e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} + a_{Mi}^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, \lambda) v_i(\mathbf{p}, \lambda) e^{-i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}})$$

$$E_i(\mathbf{p}) = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_i^2}$$

NUMERICAL RESULTS



Time evolution of the expectation value for lepton family number, both $\langle e|L_e(\hat{t})|e \rangle$ and $\langle e|L_\mu(\hat{t})|e \rangle$, with a specific initial condition. $|e \rangle$ stands for the electron neutrino with momentum $|\mathbf{q}| = 0.2 \text{ (eV)}$ and Majorana phases, $(\alpha_{21}, \alpha_{31}) = (\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{3})$. Dimensionless time $\hat{t} = 600 = 20 \times 10^{-12} \text{ sec}$.



Time dependence of electron family number $\langle e|L_e(\hat{t})|e \rangle$ (left figure) and muon family number $\langle e|L_\mu(\hat{t})|e \rangle$ (right figure) for NH case. The neutrino momentum $|\mathbf{q}| = 0.0002 \text{ (eV)}$ and the lightest neutrino mass is 0.01 (eV) . Majorana phases $(\alpha_{21}, \alpha_{31})$: black $(0, 0)$ and red $(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{3})$ lines.

CONCLUSION

- We have formulated the time evolution of lepton family number operators under the presence of Majorana mass terms.
- The lepton family number is sensitive to Majorana phases and neutrino mass hierar-

chies, inverted and normal cases.

- Starting with an electron neutrino state, electron number can change its sign which implies neutrino to anti-neutrino transition occurs during their time evolution.

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