Charged Lepton Flavor Violation - Theory

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And now,

for something completely different:





".....for the theoretical discovery of a mechanism that contributes to our understanding of the origin of mass of subatomic particles, and which recently was confirmed through the discovery of the predicted fundamental particle, by the ATLAS and CMS experiments at CERN's Large Hadron Collider"

Outline

- CLFV in the SM
- CLFV beyond the SM Effective Field Theories:

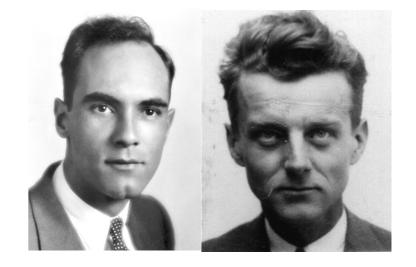
$$\mu \to e\gamma \qquad \tau \to e\gamma \qquad \tau \to \mu\gamma$$

 $\mu \to 3e \qquad \mu + N \to e + N$

Examples: Higgs, SUSY, ... what will upcoming experiments probe?

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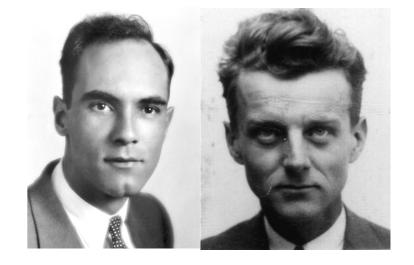
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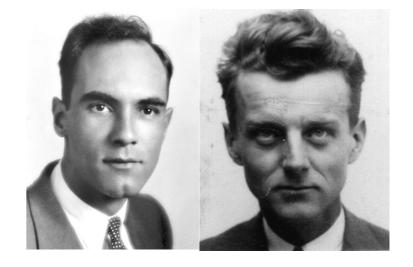
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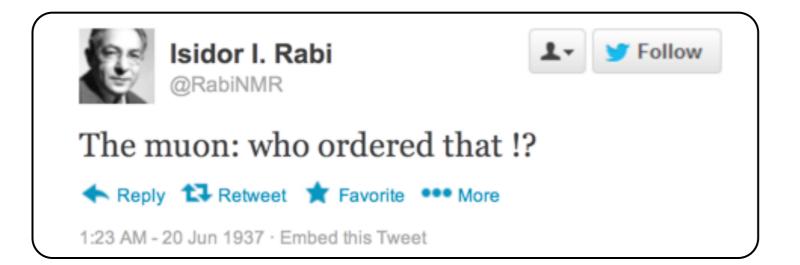


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Rabi's Question was posed over 70 years ago. It is still unanswered!

Whats with the three flavors? How are they related? How do they interact with one another?

This, and the hope to discover new physics, motivate **searches for flavor violation.**

see 1303.6154 for a review.

CLFV:

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$$\mu^+ e^- \to e^+ \mu -$$

sensitive probes of new physics.

Some reach where the LHC cannot (either too heavy or too weakly coupled)

* The charged lepton sector (before neutrino masses):

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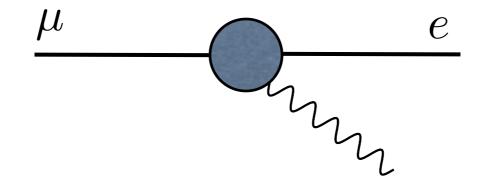
* Contrast this with the quark sector:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset y_{ij}^{u} H q^{i} u^{j} + y_{ij}^{d} \tilde{H} q^{i} u^{j}$$

$$U(3)^{3} \text{ breaks to a } U(1).$$
Baryon number

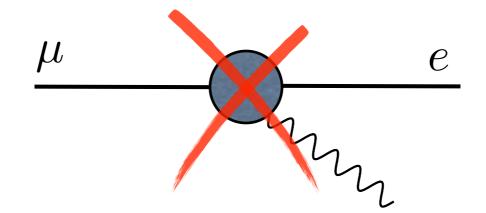
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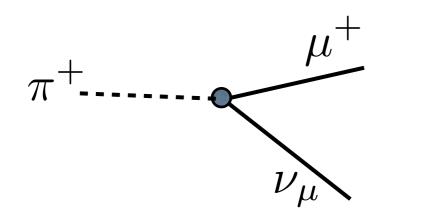
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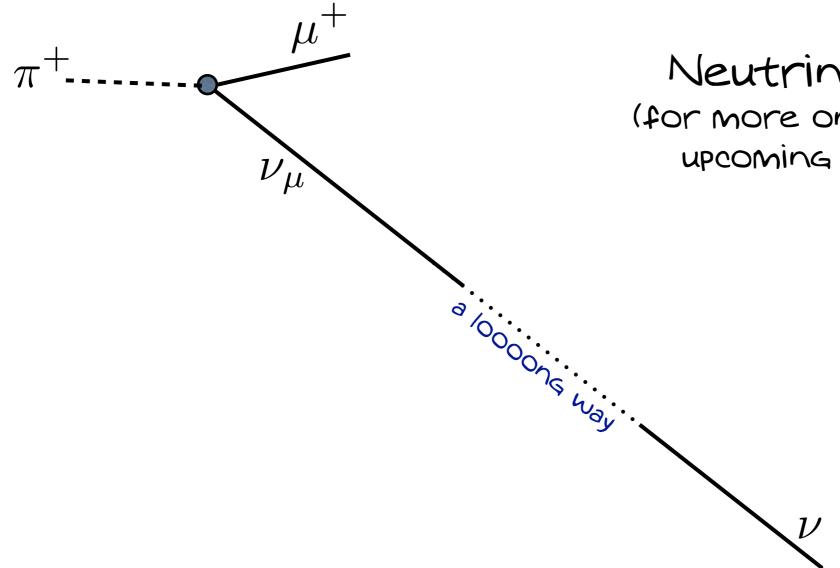
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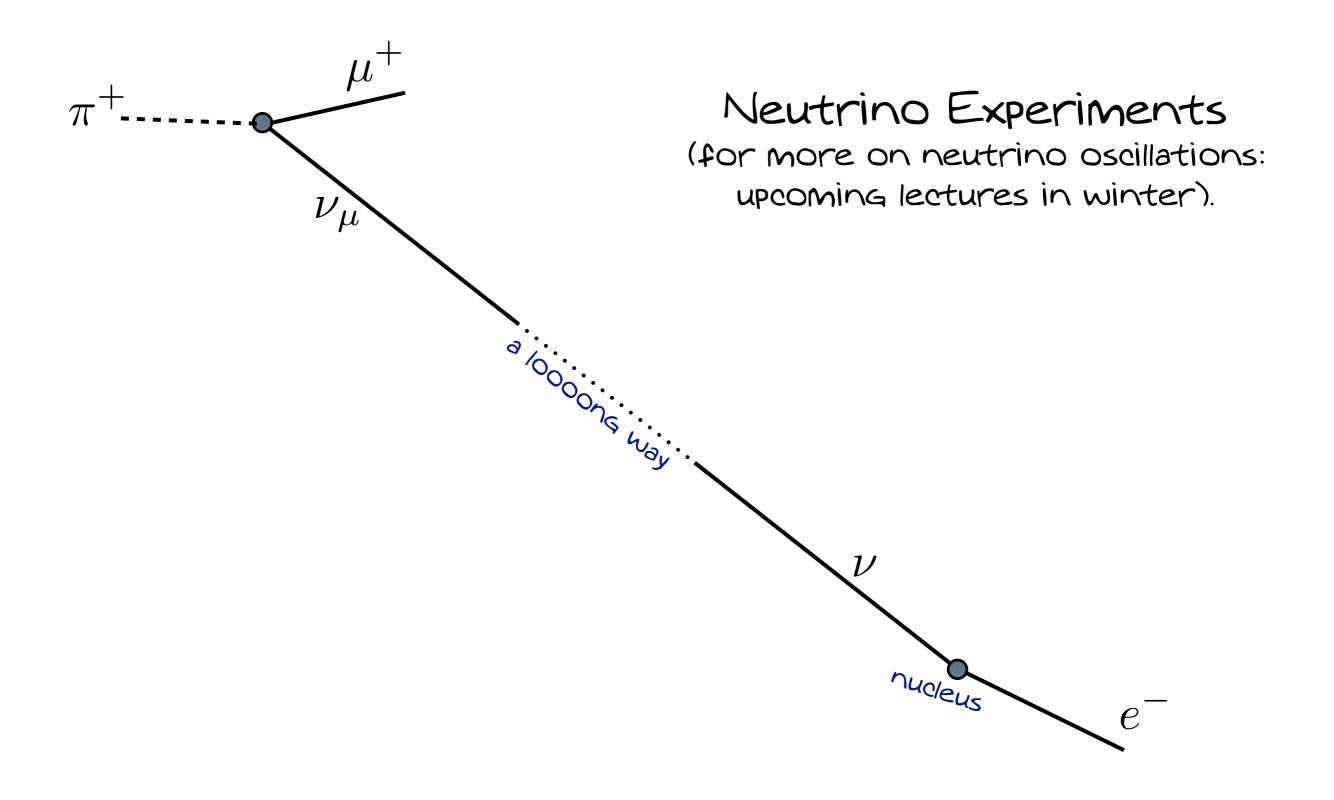
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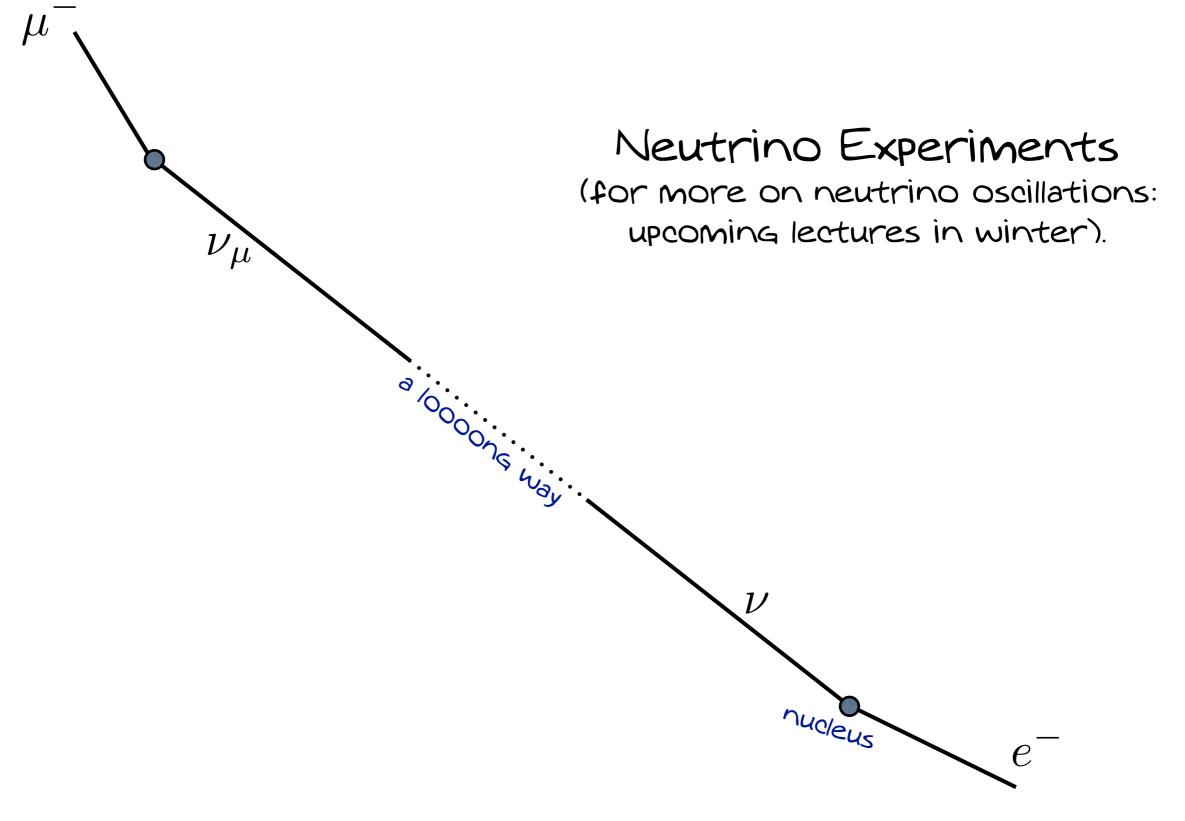
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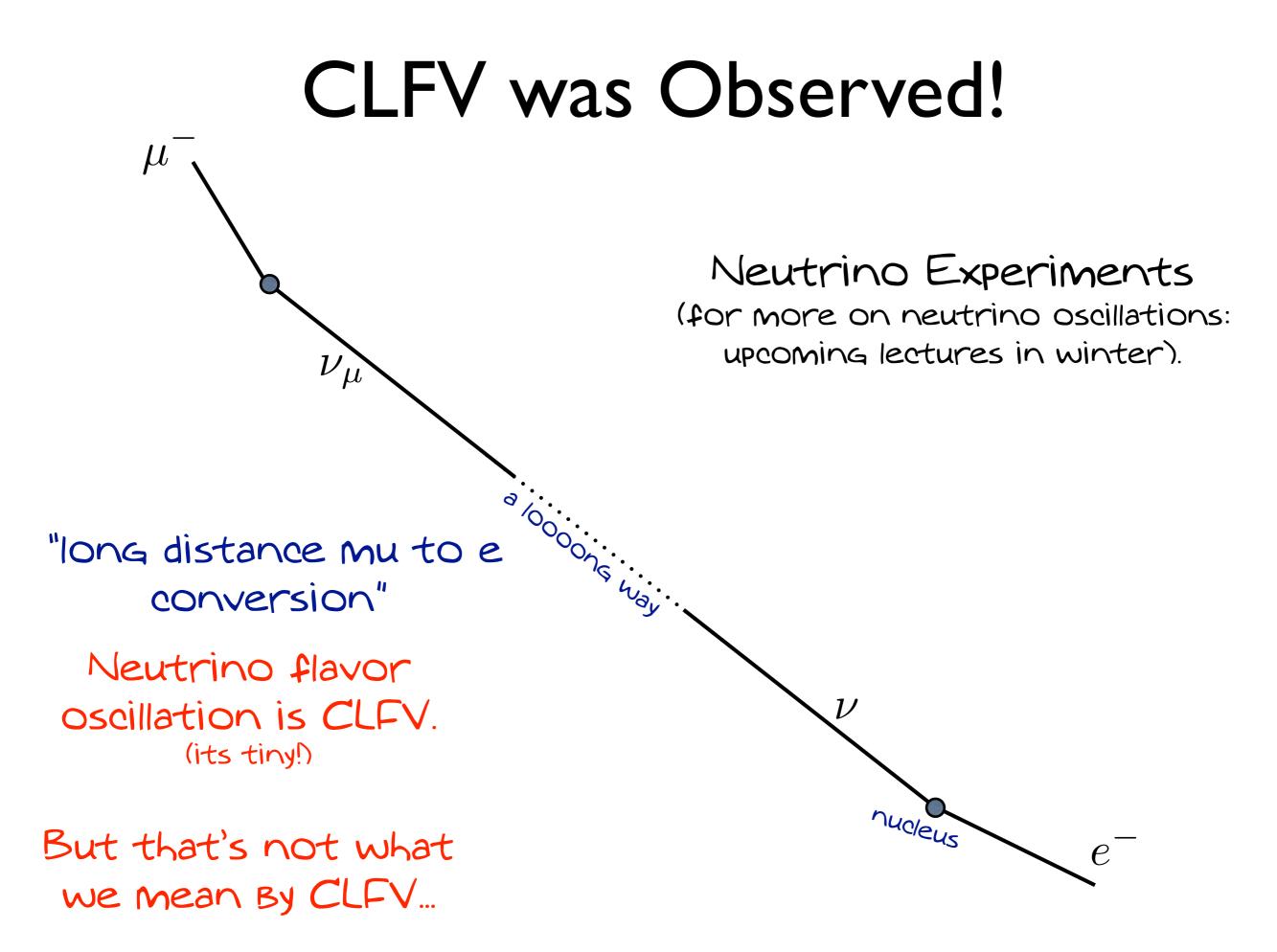


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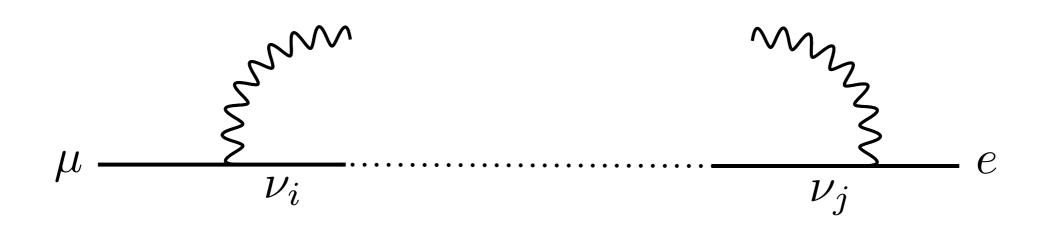




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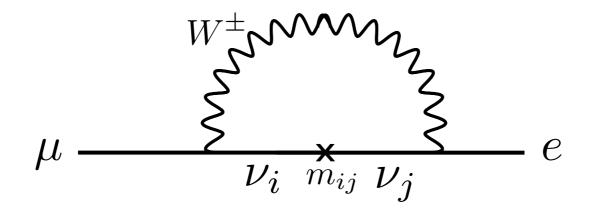
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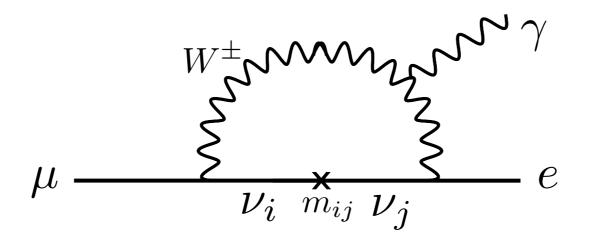
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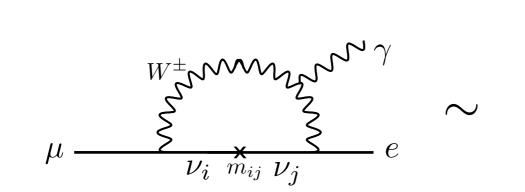
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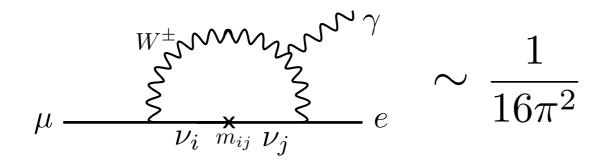
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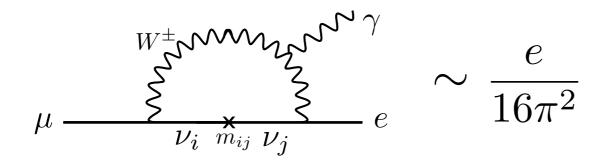
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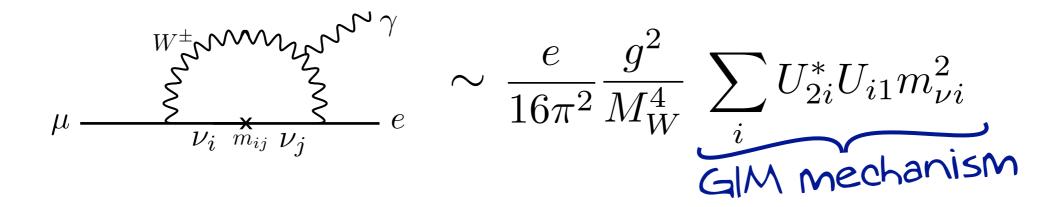
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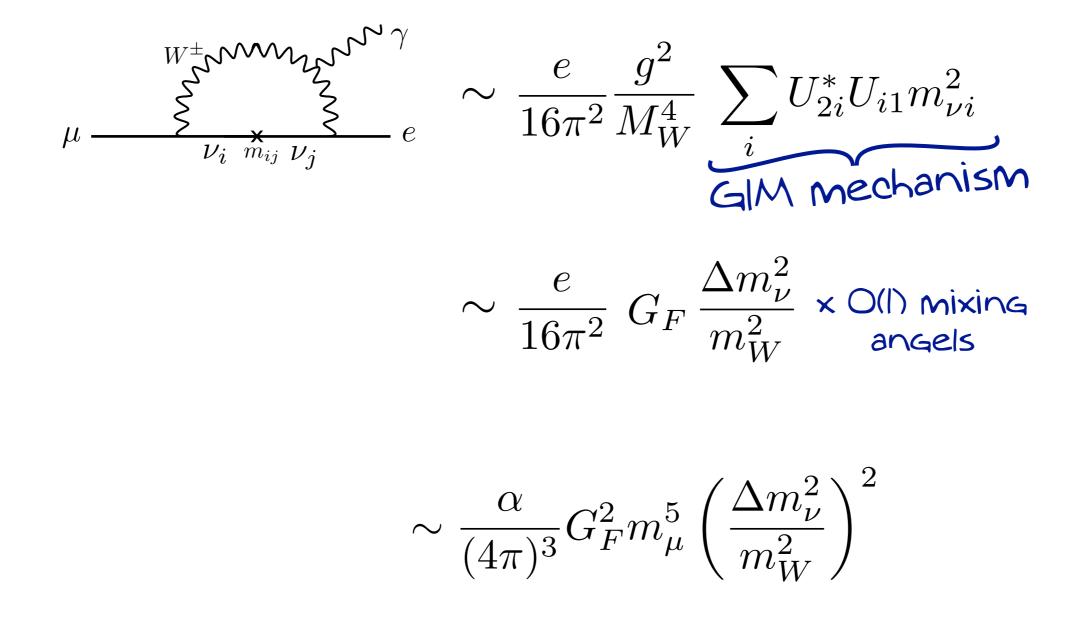
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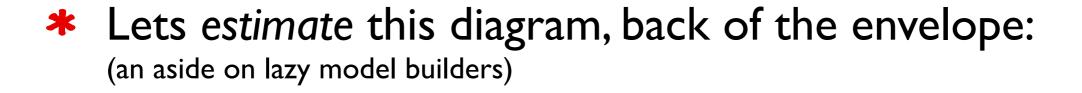
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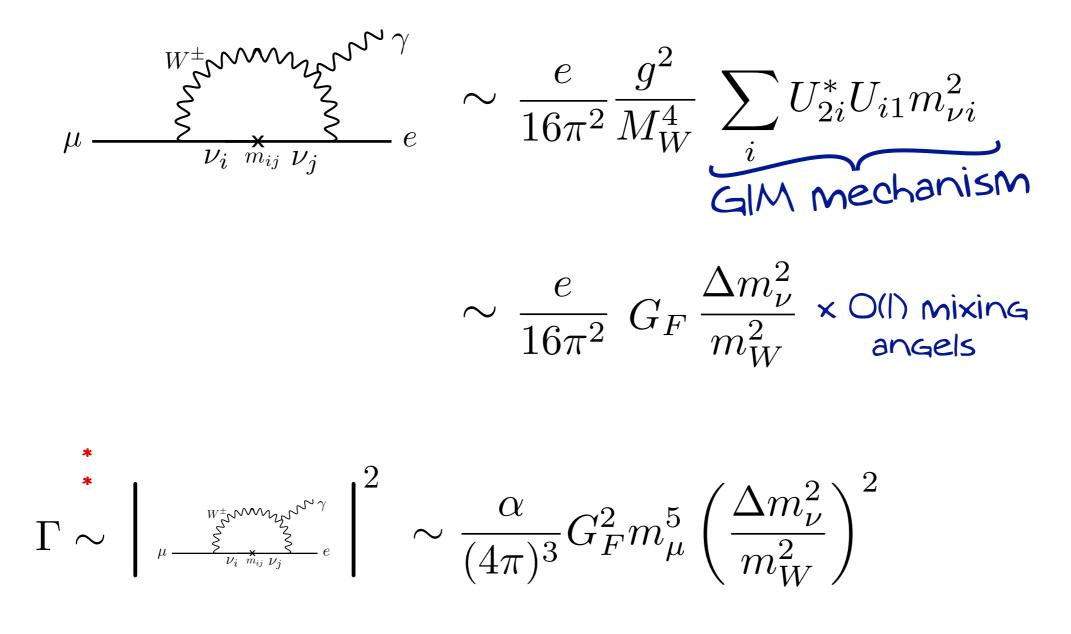


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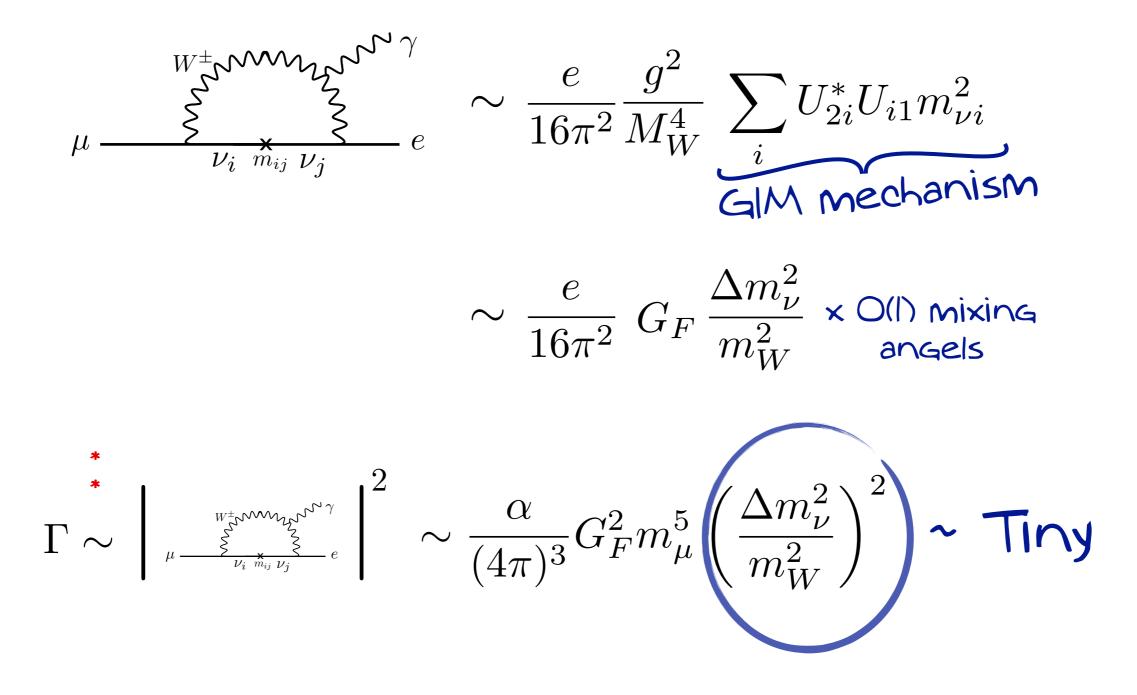
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CLFV in the SM

* For the record, the branching ration is:

$$BR(\mu \to e\gamma)_{SM} \sim \frac{3\alpha}{32\pi} \left(\frac{\Delta m_{\nu}^2}{m_W^2}\right)^2 \sim 10^{-54}$$

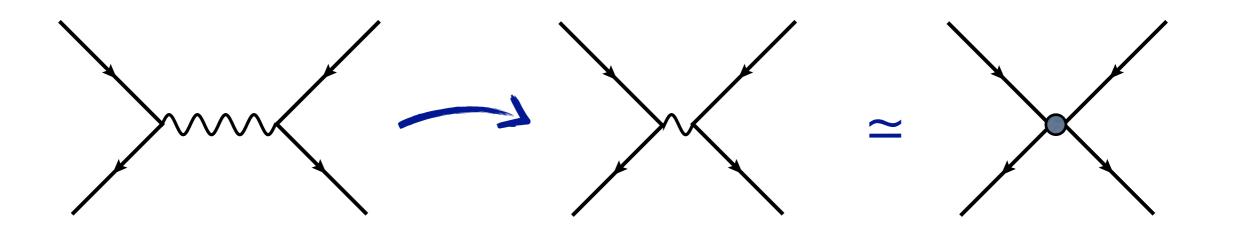
- * Bad news: we will never observe this.
- **Good news:** we will never observe this. No backgrounds* in the search for BSM!

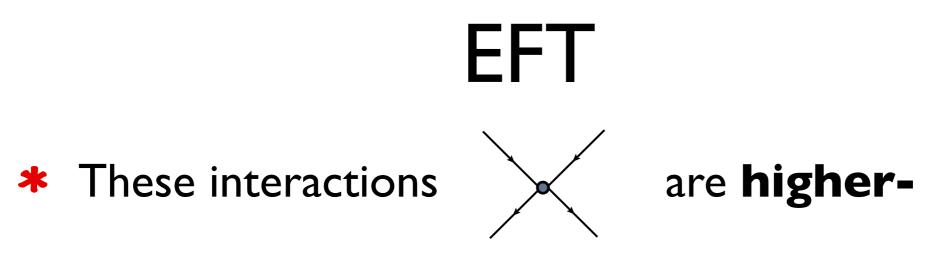
*Except for the difficult experimental BG's we will hear about in upcoming lectures....

LFV in BSM: Effective Field Theories

EFT

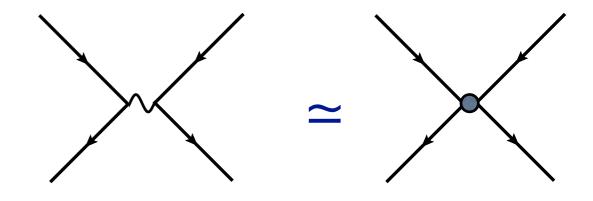
- * We would like to consider **heavy new physics** that can mediate CLFV.
- Heavy state propagate for a short distance ~M⁻¹
 (e.g. the Yukawa potential).
- **EFT**: a theory that is valid in the IR.
 Describes distance scales longer than M⁻¹.
 (M~cutoff or M)





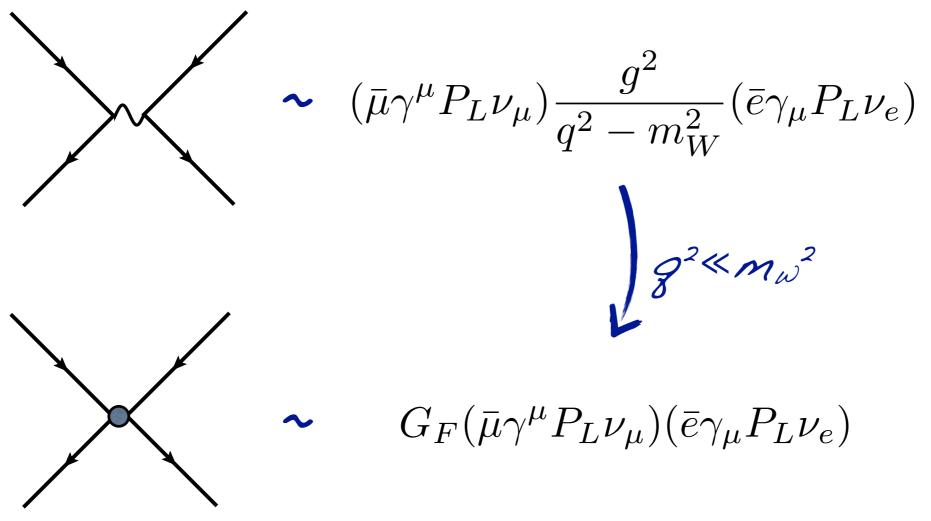
dimensional operators.

- ***** Suppressed by powers of the cutoff, Λ .
- * Also known as **contact interactions**.
- * The strength of the interaction is set by matching the EFT to the full theory.



EFT

* The classic example: weak interactions



with $G_F \sim {g^2 \over m_W^2}$

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* There are only two dipole operators that determine the rate for $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mu \to e\gamma} = C_L \frac{e}{8\pi^2} m_\mu (\bar{\mu}_R \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_L) F_{\mu\nu}$$
$$+ C_R \frac{e}{8\pi^2} m_\mu (\bar{\mu}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_R) F_{\mu\nu}$$

* The decay rate is $\Gamma(\mu \to e\gamma) = \frac{\alpha m_{\mu}^{5}}{64\pi^{4}} (|C_{L}|^{2} + |C_{R}|^{2})$

note:

the notation is not universal across the literature.

note:

Similar formulea for tau to e

Gamma and tau to mu Gamma.

* Now there is no photon in the final state.

* Many more operators:

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = -\frac{4G_{F}}{\sqrt{2}} (m_{\mu}A_{R}\bar{\mu}\sigma^{\mu\nu}P_{L}eF_{\mu\nu} + m_{\mu}A_{L}\bar{\mu}\sigma^{\mu\nu}P_{R}eF_{\mu\nu} + h.c.) \land dipoles$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{G_{F}}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{q=u,d,s} \left[(g_{LS(q)}\bar{e}P_{R}\mu + g_{RS(q)}\bar{e}P_{L}\mu) \bar{q}q + (g_{LP(q)}\bar{e}P_{R}\mu + g_{RP(q)}\bar{e}P_{L}\mu) \bar{q}\gamma_{5}q + (g_{LV(q)}\bar{e}\gamma^{\mu}P_{L}\mu + g_{RV(q)}\bar{e}\gamma^{\mu}P_{R}\mu) \bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}q + (g_{LA(q)}\bar{e}\gamma^{\mu}P_{L}\mu + g_{RA(q)}\bar{e}\gamma^{\mu}P_{R}\mu) \bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_{5}q + \frac{1}{2} (g_{LT(q)}\bar{e}\sigma^{\mu\nu}P_{R}\mu + g_{RT(q)}\bar{e}\sigma^{\mu\nu}P_{L}\mu) \bar{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}q + h.c. \right]$$

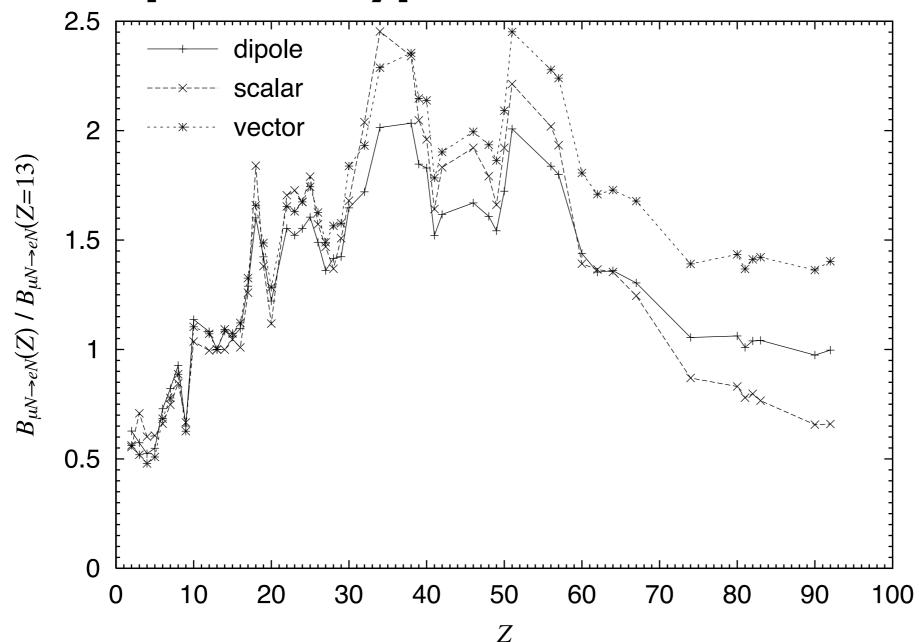
see Kitano, Koike, Okada, hep-ph/0203110 for even more operators see Petrov and Zhuridov, 1308.6561

- Consider a muonic atom μ-N.The muon can scatter off the nucleus and convert to e.
- The conversion rate depends on the various coefficients. For example:

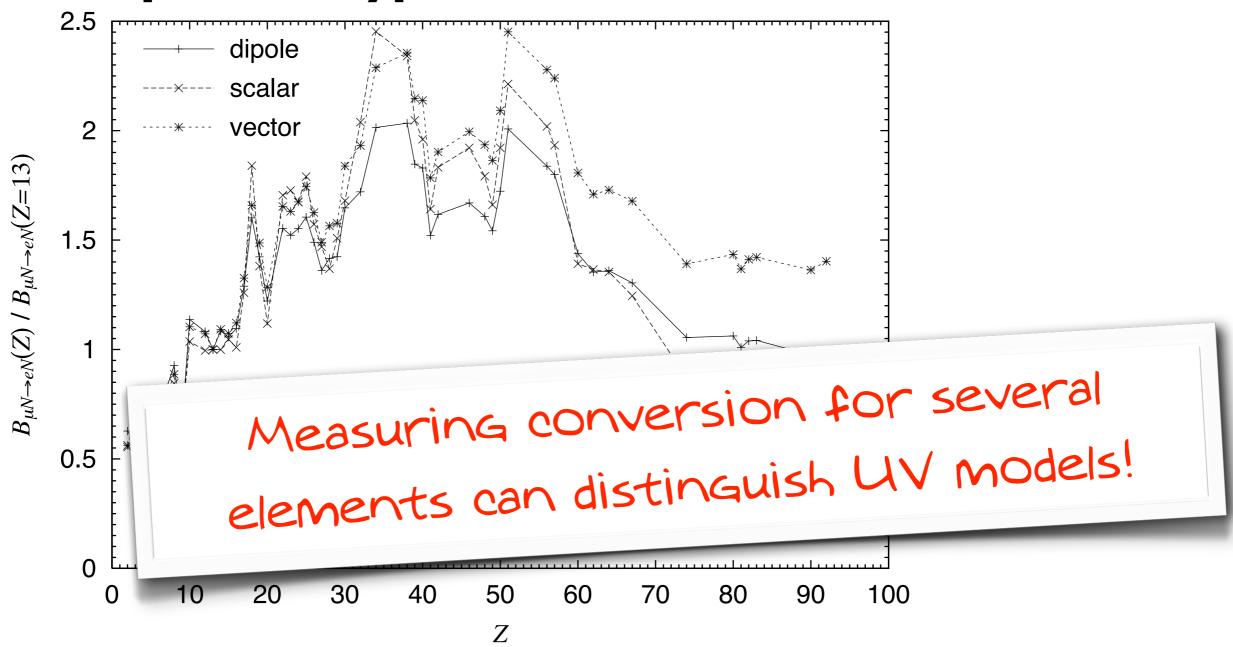
Dipole: $B_{\mu N \to eN}(Z = 13) = 9.9 \left(|A_L|^2 + |A_R|^2 \right),$ Scalar: $B_{\mu N \to eN}(Z = 13) = 1.7 \times 10^2 \left(|g_{LS(d)}|^2 + |g_{RS(d)}|^2 \right),$ Vector: $B_{\mu N \to eN}(Z = 13) = 2.0 \left(|\tilde{g}_{LV}^{(p)}|^2 + |\tilde{g}_{RV}^{(p)}|^2 \right).$

* Differences have to do with the nuclear matrix elements (and "atomic matrix element" for dipoles).

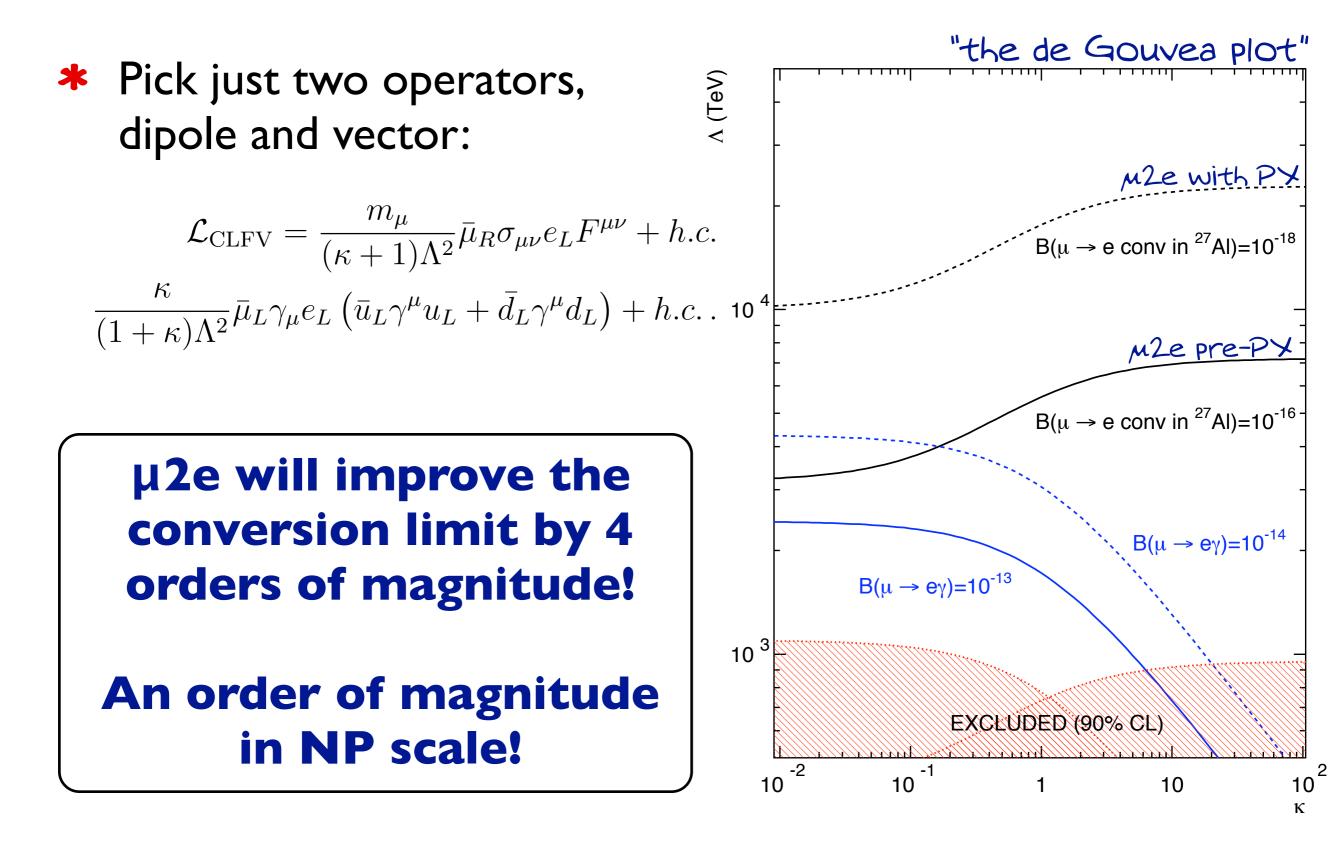
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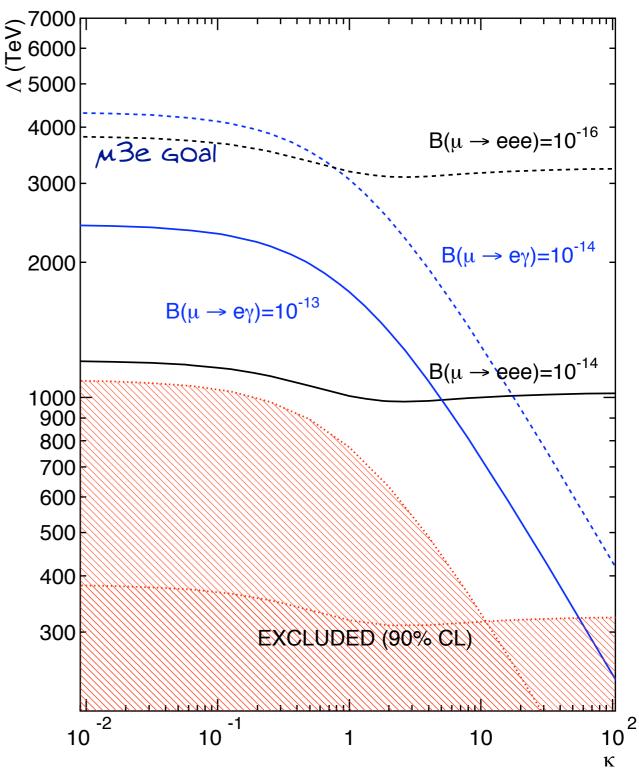
Decay vs. Conversion



EFT for $\mu \rightarrow 3e$

- * Same interactions as for $\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion, but with the quarks replaced by electrons.
- * Again, we can pick just two:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CLFV}} = \frac{m_{\mu}}{(\kappa+1)\Lambda^2} \bar{\mu}_R \sigma_{\mu\nu} e_L F^{\mu\nu} + h.c.$$
$$\frac{\kappa}{(1+\kappa)\Lambda^2} \bar{\mu}_L \gamma_{\mu} e_L (\bar{e}\gamma^{\mu}e) + h.c..$$



UV Models

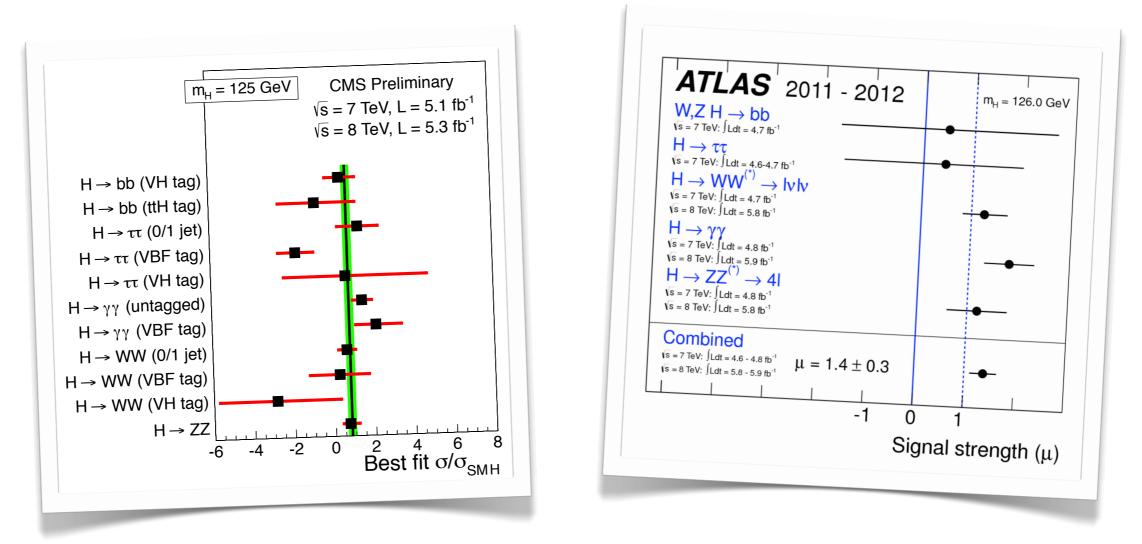
There are many examples.

For my personal convenience I will show those that I worked on.

I. Higgs 2. High Scale SUSY

Higgs Couplings

* We found the Higgs. Where's the New Physics?

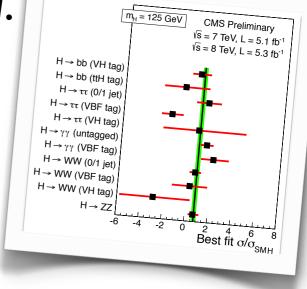


Many BSM frameworks can lead to modified Higgs couplings.

A remarkable new opportunity to find NP!

Higgs Couplings: SM

* The Higgs couplings in the SM are determined. Thats why they are so important to measure!



* Yukawa couplings:

 $\mathcal{L} \supset y_i h f_L^i f_R^i + h.c.$ with $y_i = \frac{m_i}{m_i}$

In the SM Yukawa couplings are: * Flavor diagonal. * Real (CP is conserved).

Can We violate this? Can we have FV Higgs couplings?

In the mass basis, could we have $\mathcal{L}_Y = -m_i \bar{f}_L^i f_R^i - Y_{ij} (\bar{f}_L^i f_R^j) h + h.c. + \cdots$

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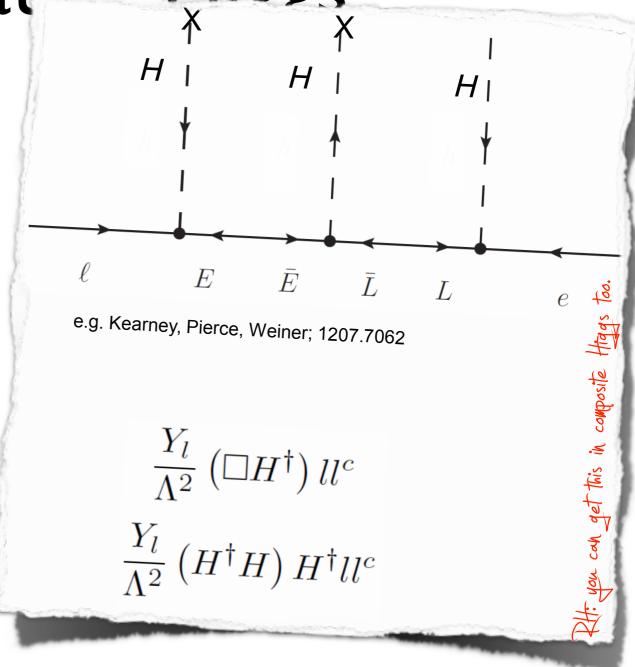
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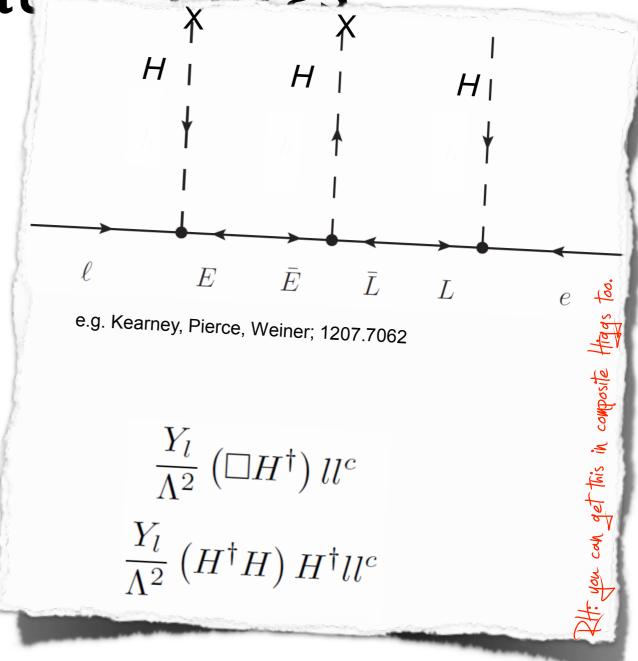


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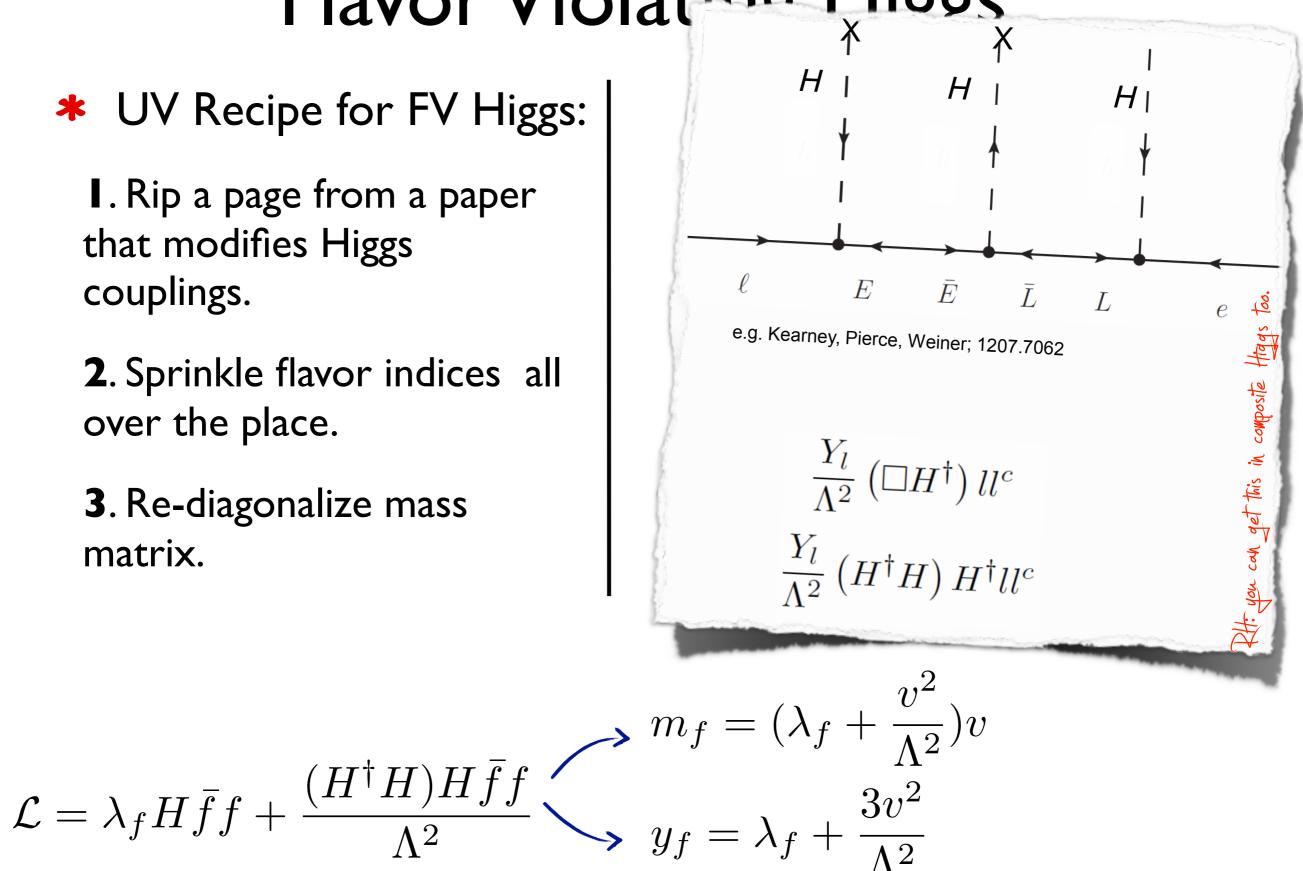
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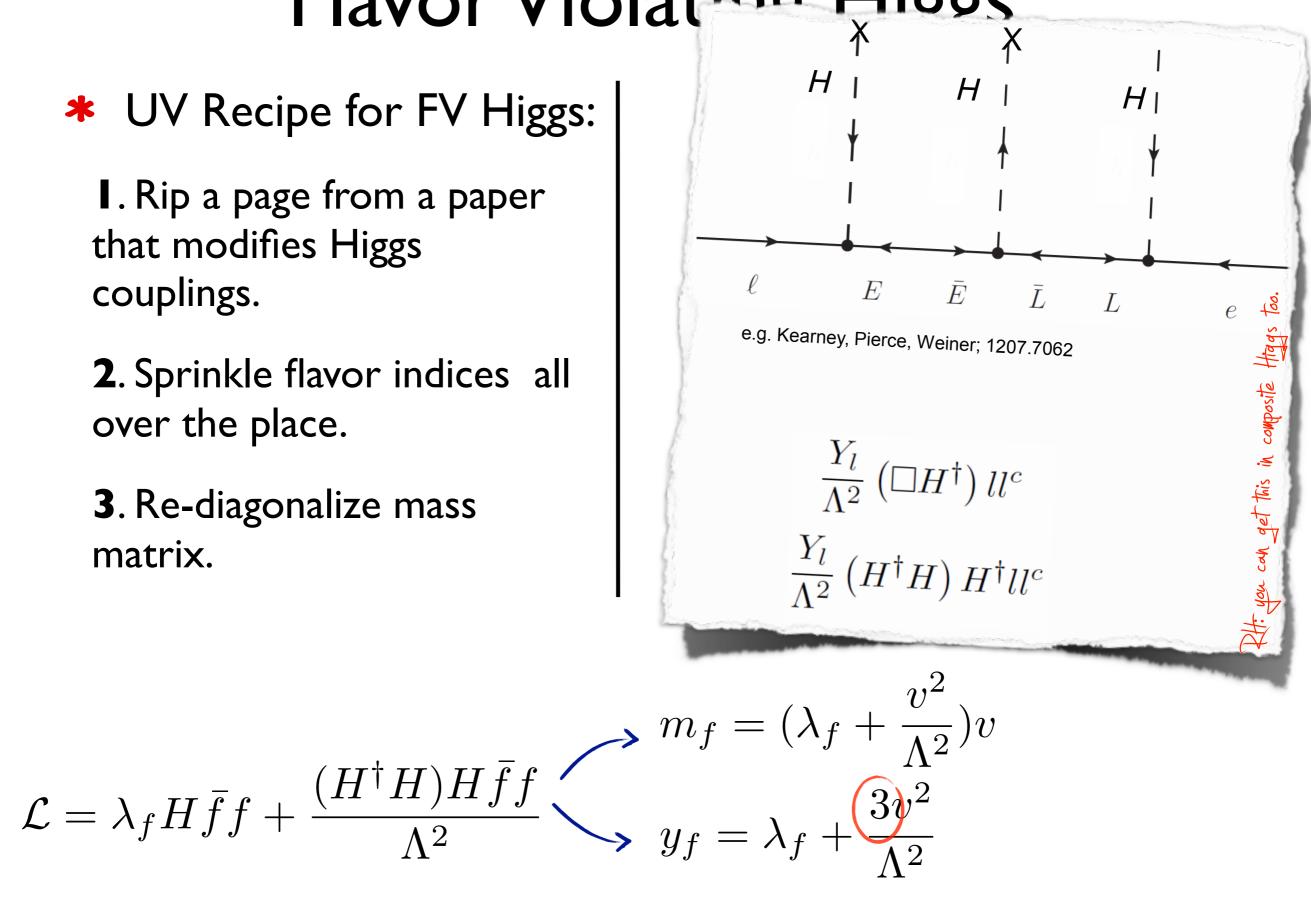


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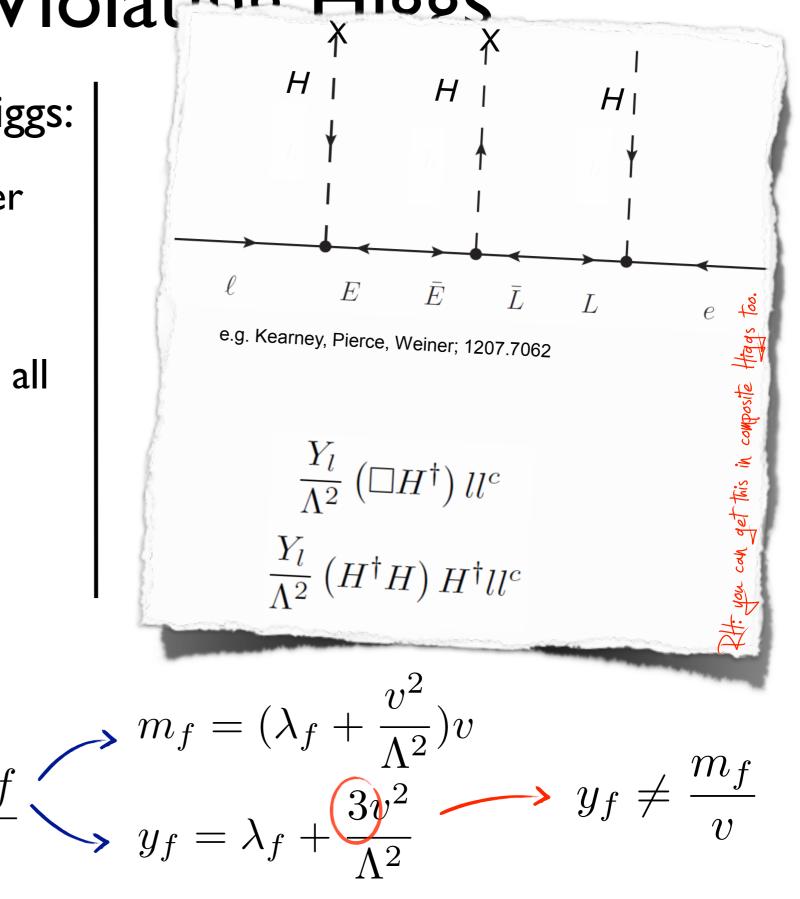
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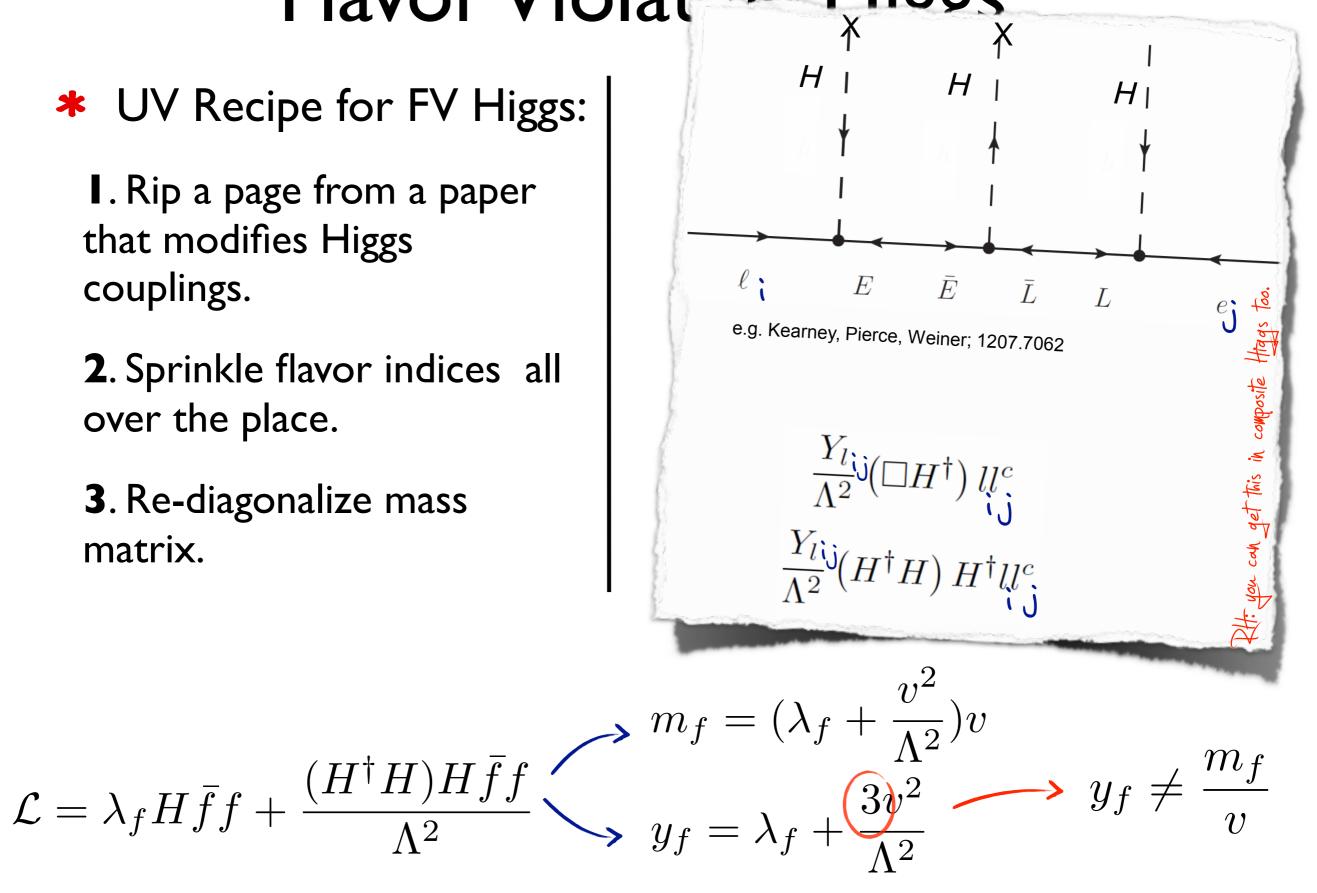


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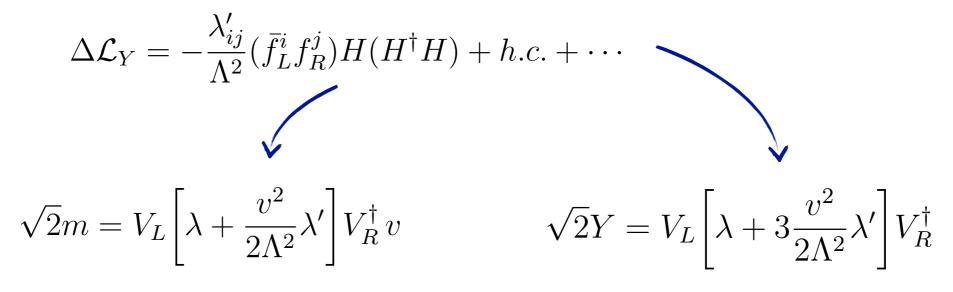
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$$\mathcal{L}_{SM} = \bar{f}_L^j i \not{D} f_L^j + \bar{f}_R^j i \not{D} f_R^j - \left[\lambda_{ij} (\bar{f}_L^i f_R^j) H + h.c. \right] + D_\mu H^\dagger D^\mu H - \lambda_H \left(H^\dagger H - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^2$$

$$\Delta \mathcal{L}_Y = -\frac{\lambda'_{ij}}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{f}^i_L f^j_R) H(H^{\dagger} H) + h.c. + \cdots$$

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or $Y_{ij} = \frac{m_i}{v} \delta_{ij} + \frac{v^2}{\sqrt{2}\Lambda^2} \hat{\lambda}_{ij}$ An arbitrary matrix!

"Natural" FV

***** FV that's too large comes at a tuning price:

$$\sqrt{2}m = V_L \left[\lambda + \frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} \lambda' \right] V_R^{\dagger} v \qquad \qquad \sqrt{2}Y = V_L \left[\lambda + 3\frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} \lambda' \right] V_R^{\dagger}$$

* Requiring no cancelation in the determinant

$$Y_{\tau\mu}Y_{\mu\tau}| \lesssim \frac{m_{\mu}m_{\tau}}{v^2}$$
 (same for any pair of fermions)

In an era of data, considerations of fine tuning are not of huge importance... But we'll keep it in the back of our mind.

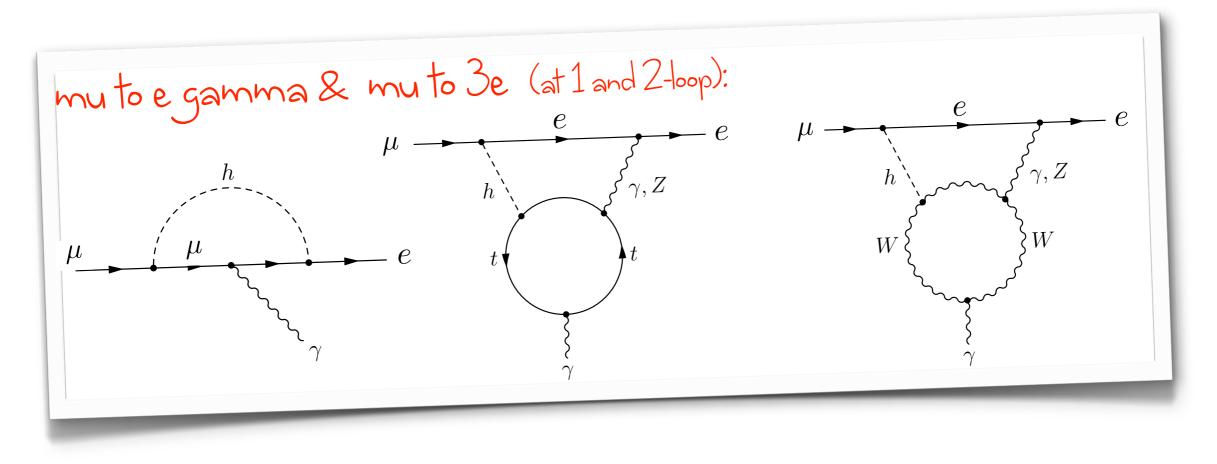
Leptonic Flavor Violation

 $\mathcal{L}_Y \supset -Y_{e\mu}\bar{e}_L\mu_Rh - Y_{\mu e}\bar{\mu}_L e_Rh - Y_{e\tau}\bar{e}_L\tau_Rh - Y_{\tau e}\bar{\tau}_L e_Rh - Y_{\mu\tau}\bar{\mu}_L\tau_Rh - Y_{\tau\mu}\bar{\tau}_L\mu_Rh + h.c.$

Which experiments constrain the Yij's?

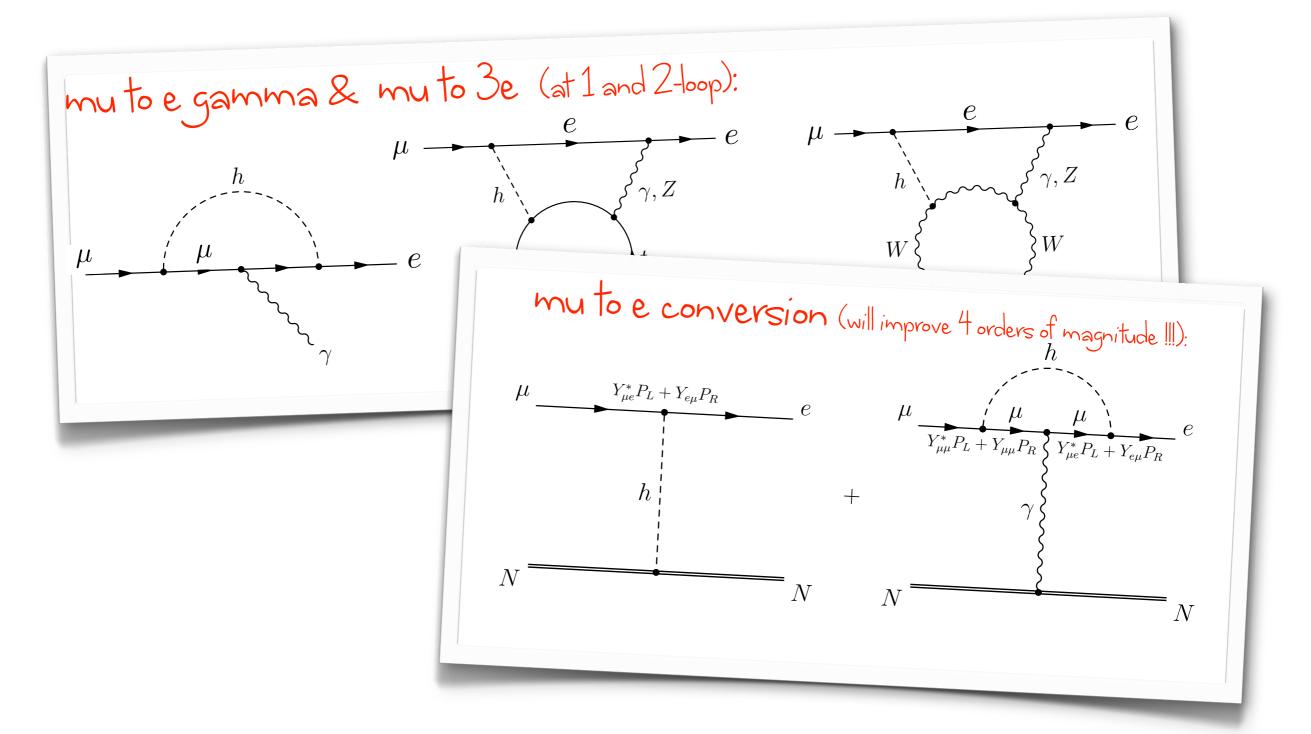
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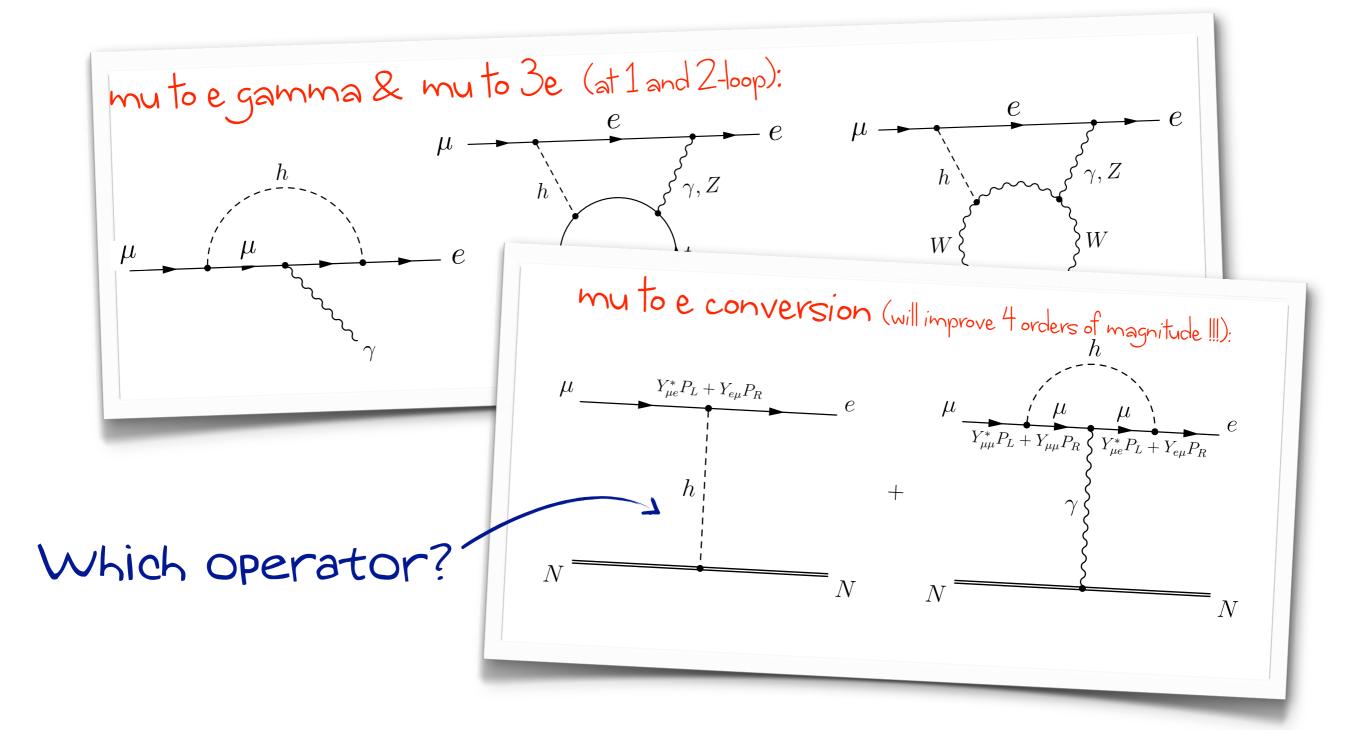
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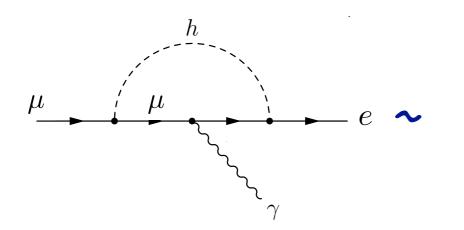


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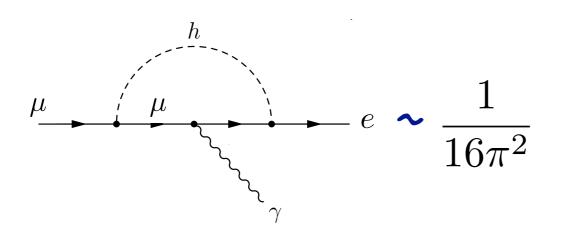
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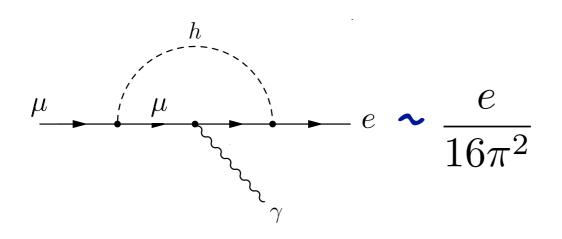
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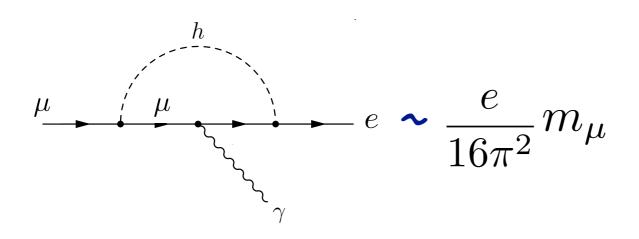
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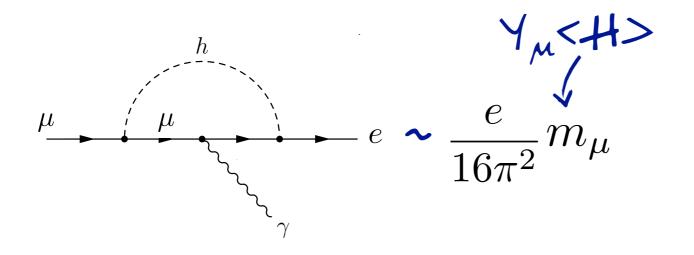
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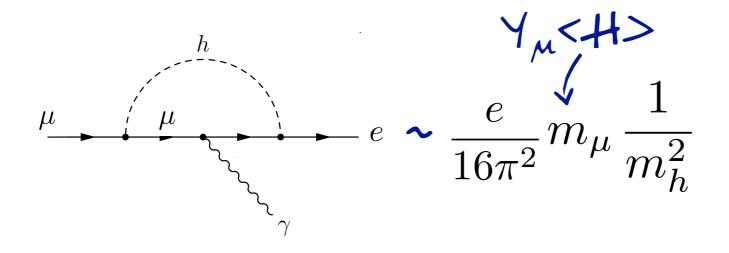
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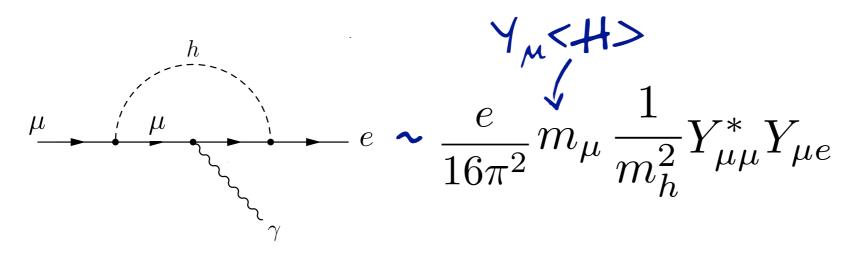
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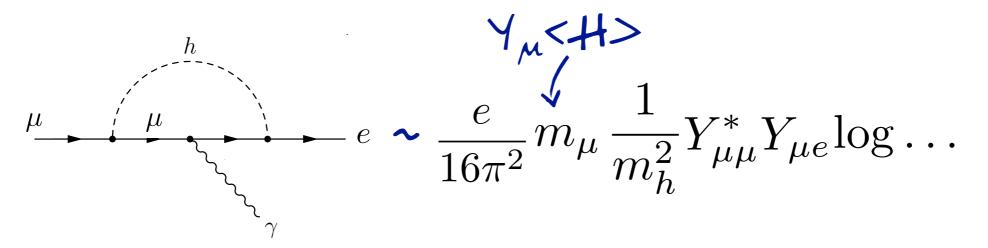
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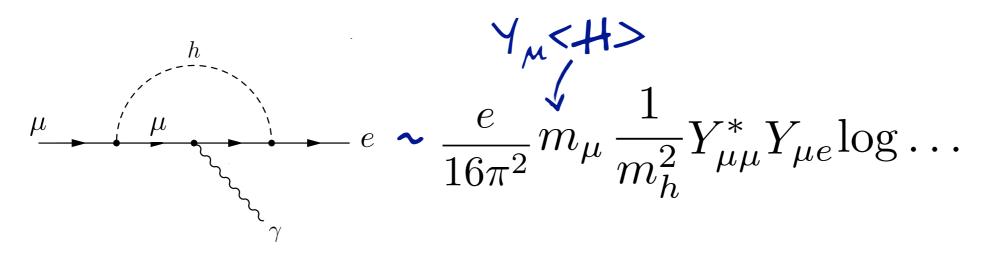


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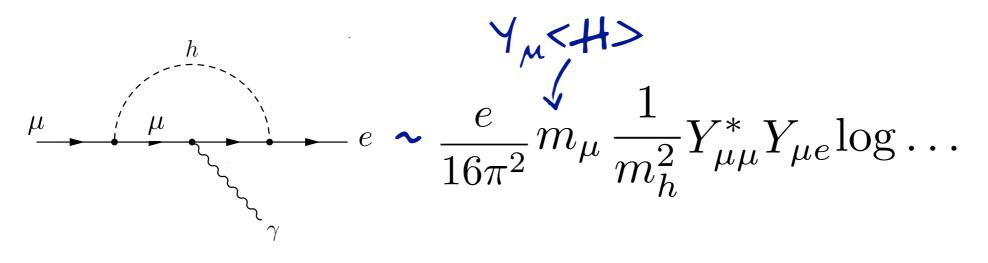
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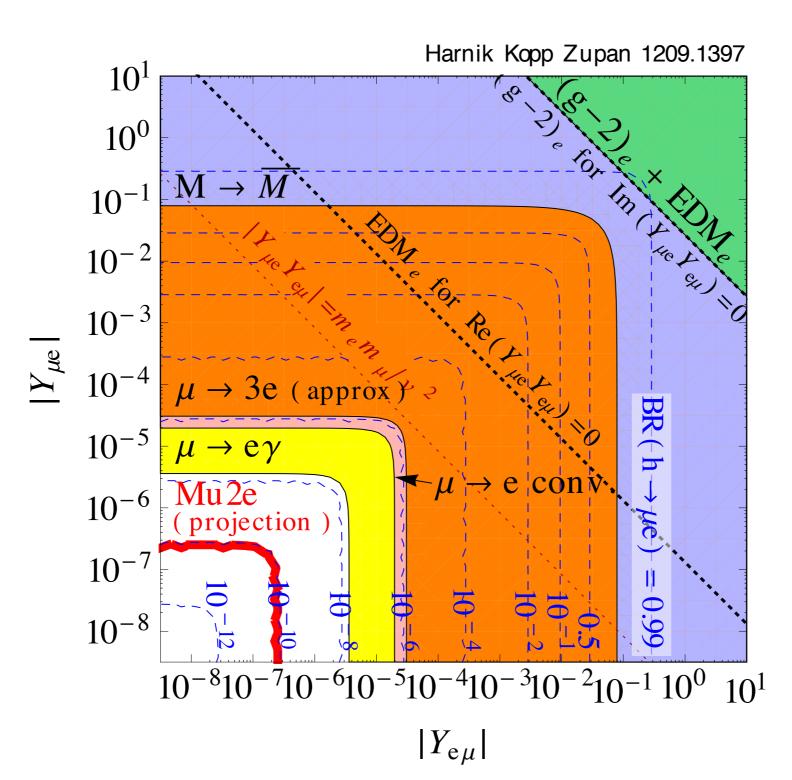


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* The real answer is (pages of algebra)-

$$c_L^{1\text{loop}} \simeq \frac{1}{12m_h^2} Y_{\tau\tau} Y_{\tau\mu}^* \left(-4 + 3\log\frac{m_h^2}{m_\tau^2} \right)$$

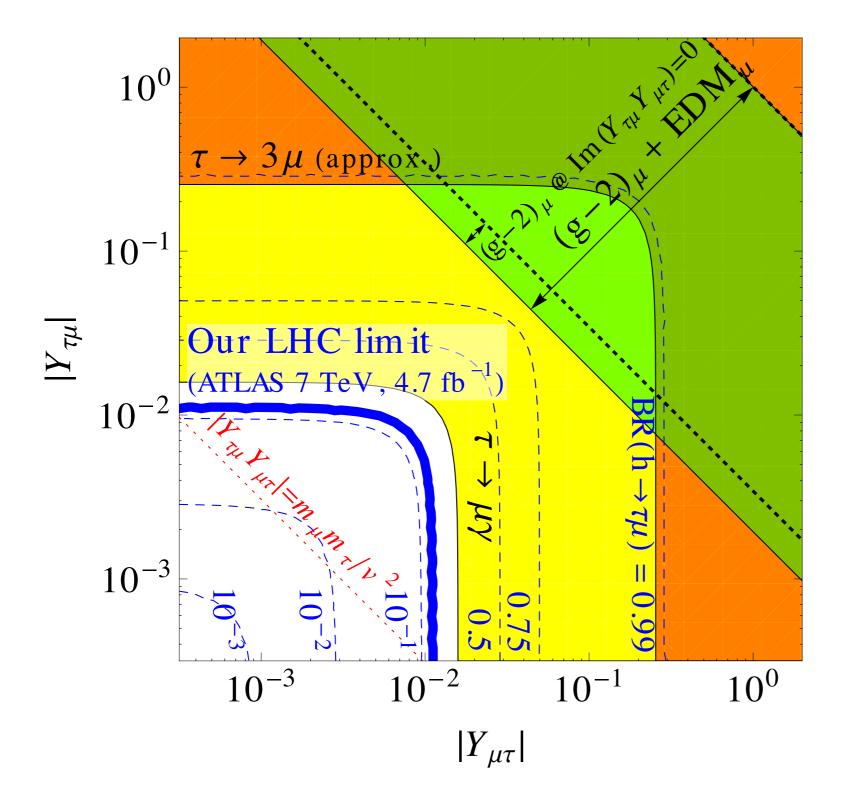
(swap tau with mu and mu with e)



Outside of LHC reach.

Probing "natural" models.

Higgs couplings to $\tau\mu$



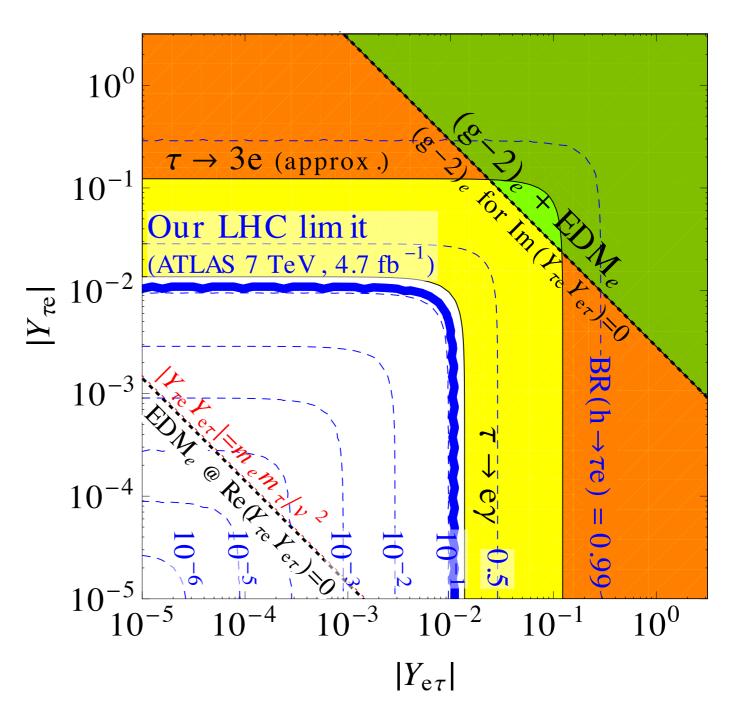
LHC h→TM gives dominant Bound.

(currently just a theorist's re-interpretation)

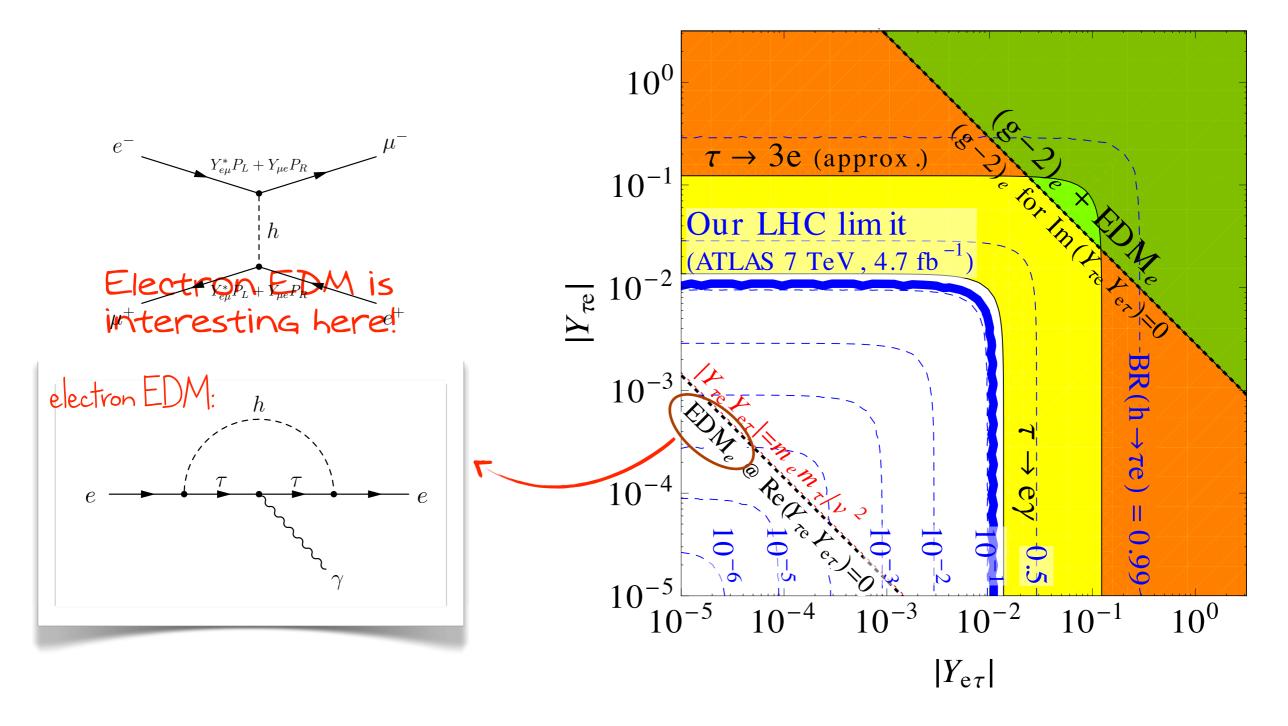
"natural models" are within reach.

RH, Kopp, Zupan 1209.1397

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Higgs Summary:

Flavor violation: $\sqrt{=}$ sensitive at the level of $Y_{ij} \lesssim \frac{\sqrt{m_i m_j}}{m_i}$.

Leptons	Probe	d-quarks	Probe	d-quarks	Probe
μ-е	muons	s-d	K-K 🧹	С-И	D-D 🗸
τ-е	eEDM*	b-d	B-B 🗸	t-u	nEDM ^{∗√}
τ-μ	LHC 🗸	b-s	B₅-B₅ √	t-c	LHC / D-D

*LHC, if CP is conserved.

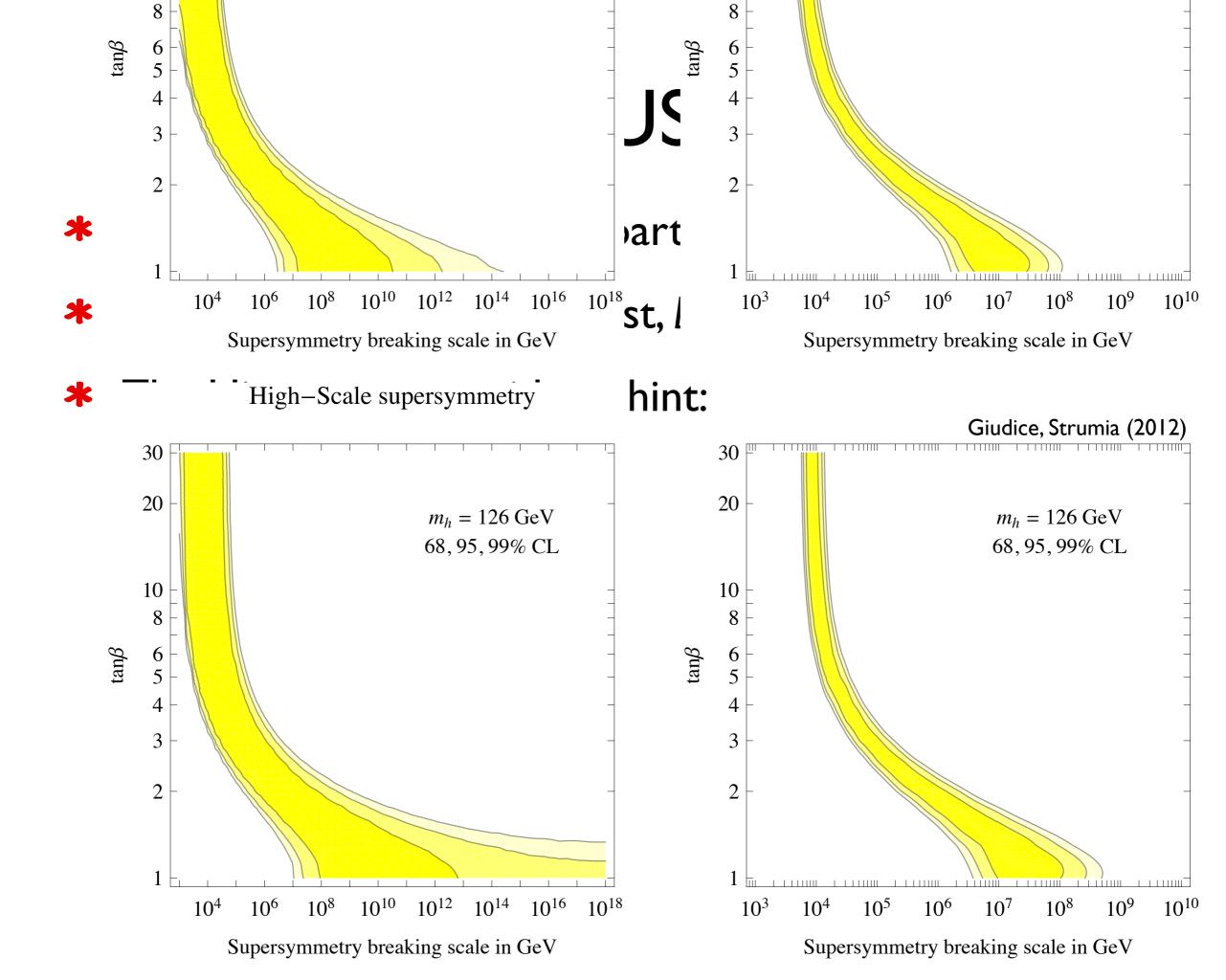
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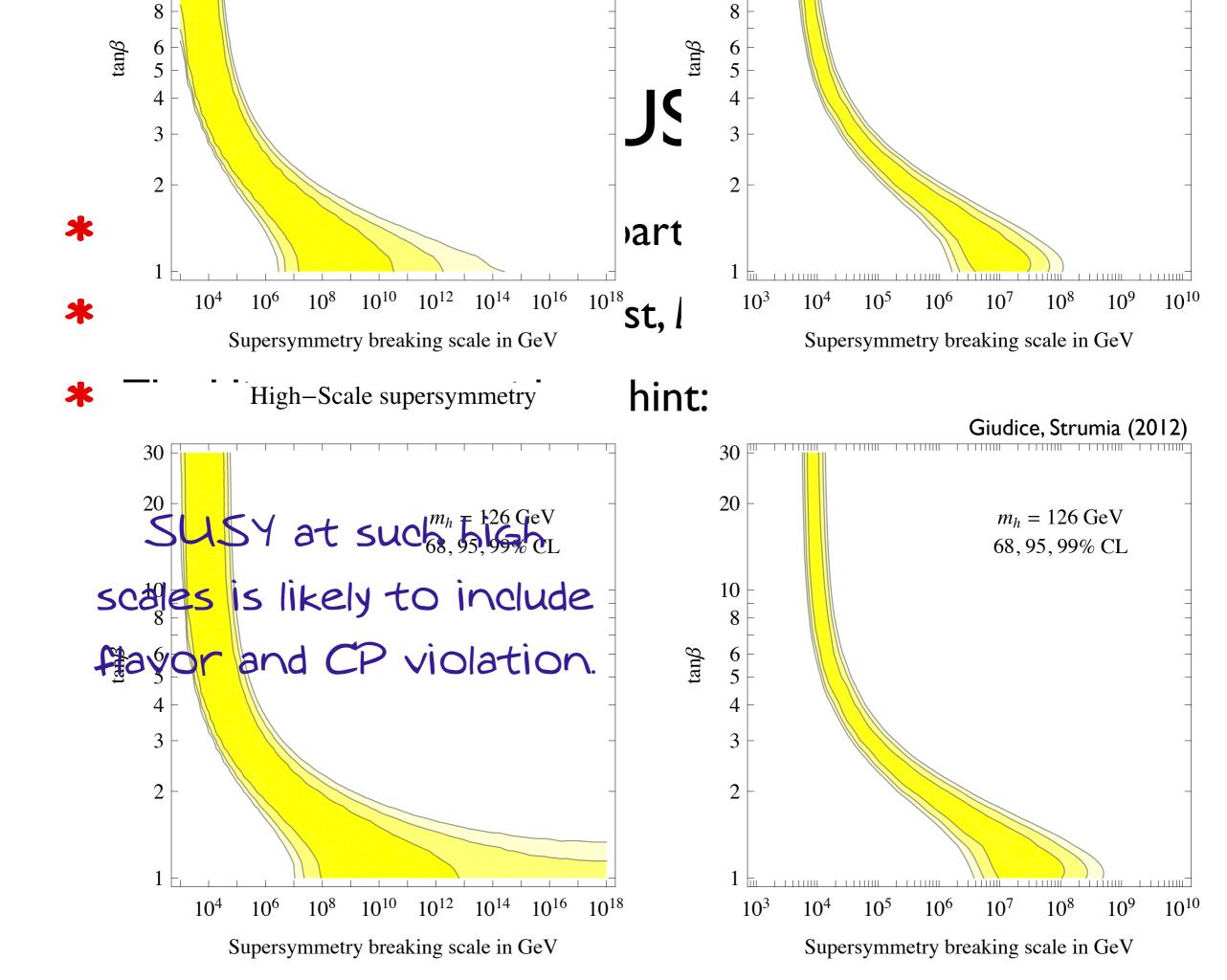
Phase	Probe	Phase	Probe
е	e-EDM	t	EDMs
u,d	nEDM	τ	LHC / Higgs factory
γ	eEDM	Z	LHC

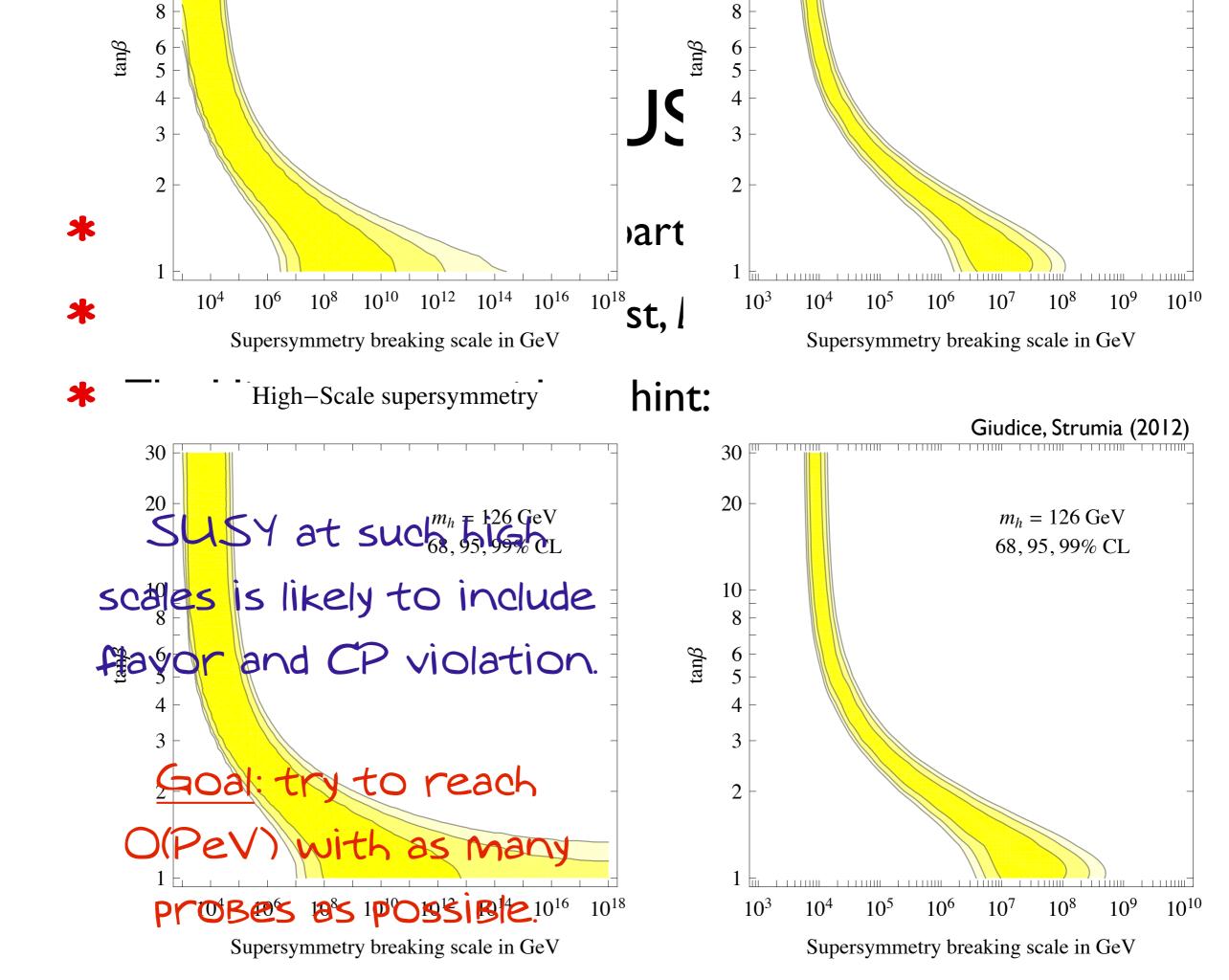
Multiple probes across frontiers! Almost all channels are sensitive at well

motivated levels!

Split SUSY





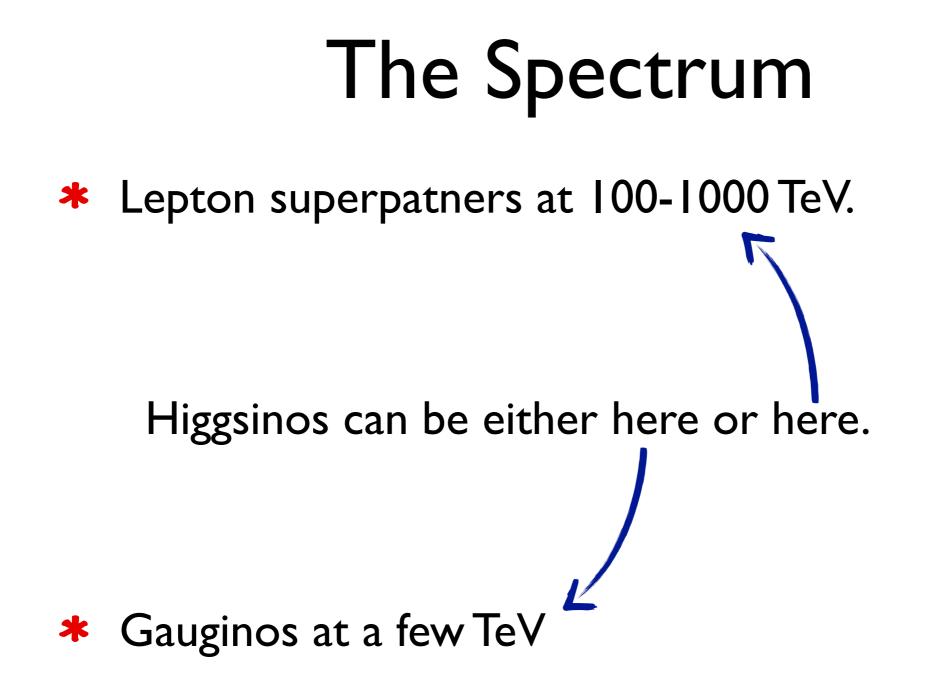


The Spectrum

* Lepton superpatners at 100-1000 TeV.

Gauginos at a few TeV

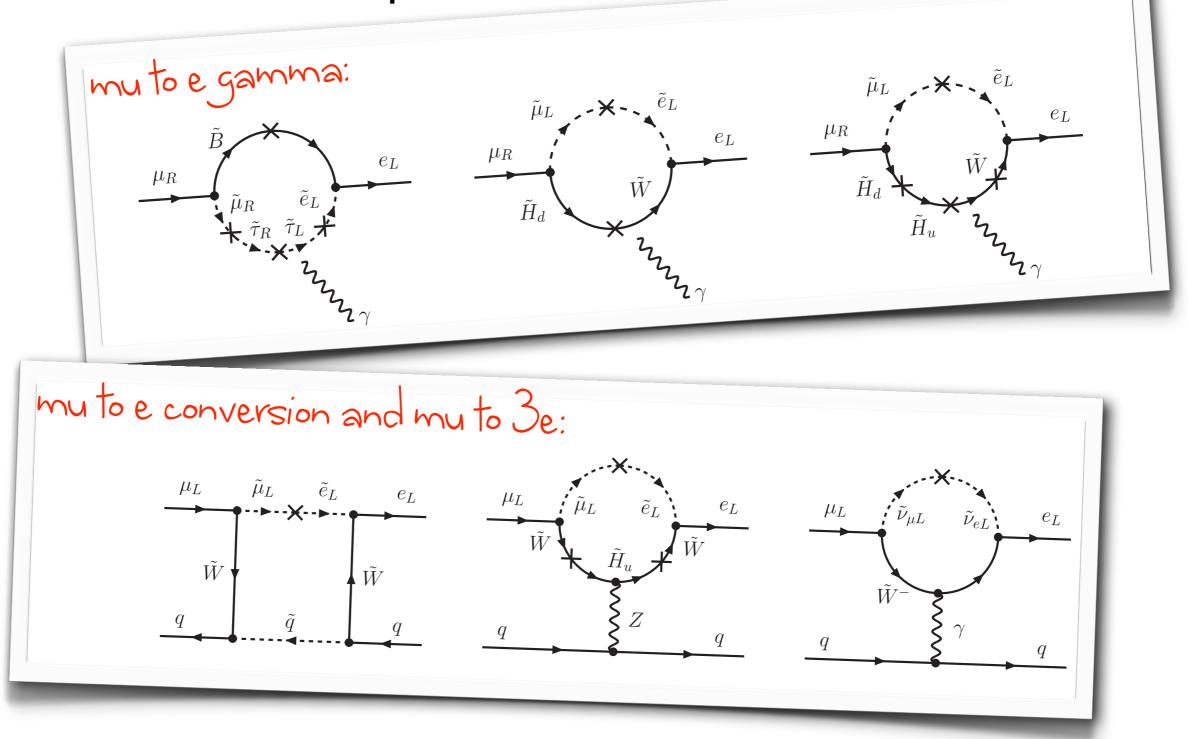
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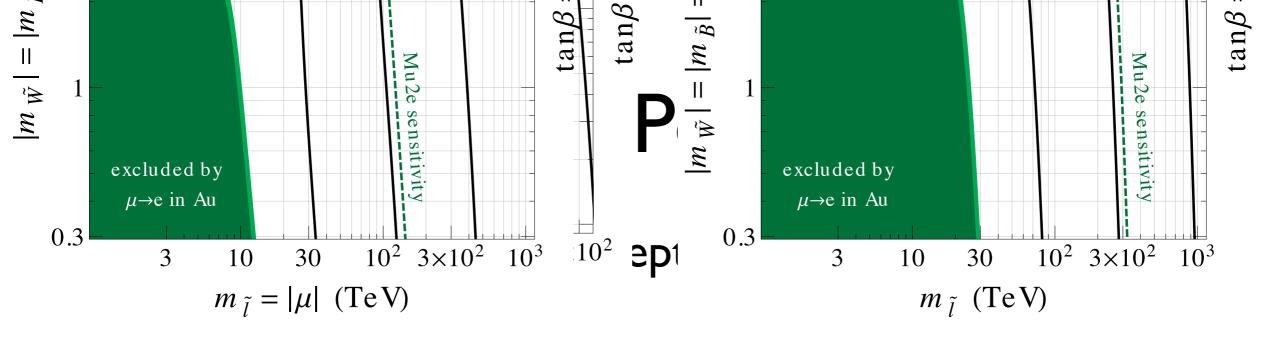


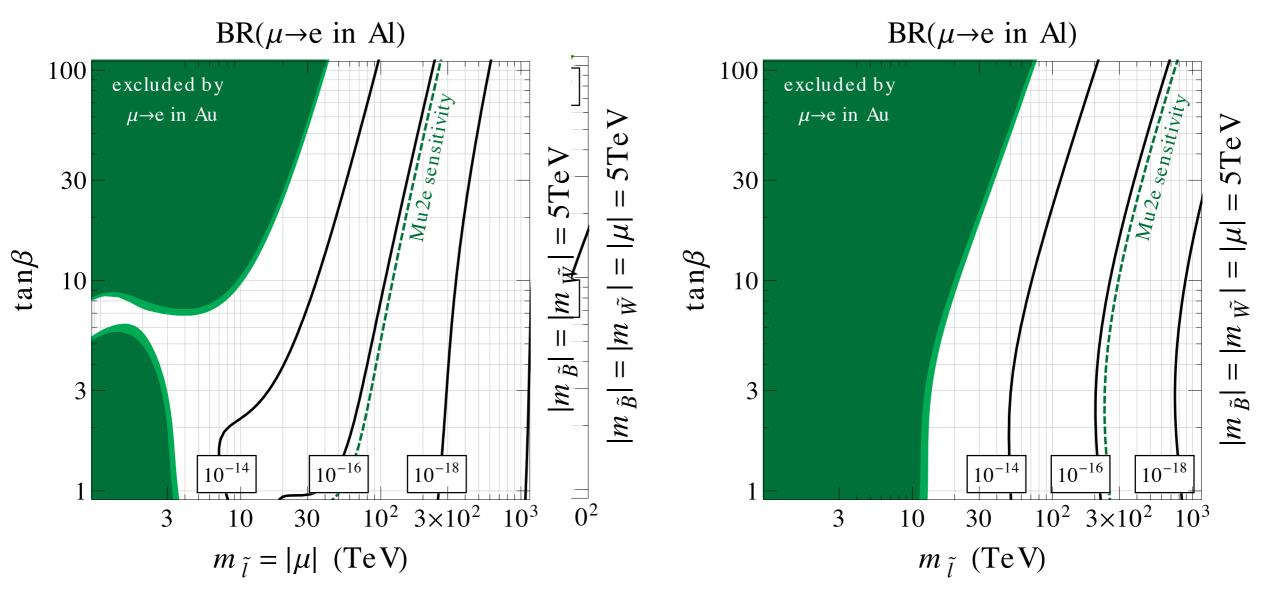
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LFV form PeV Sleptons

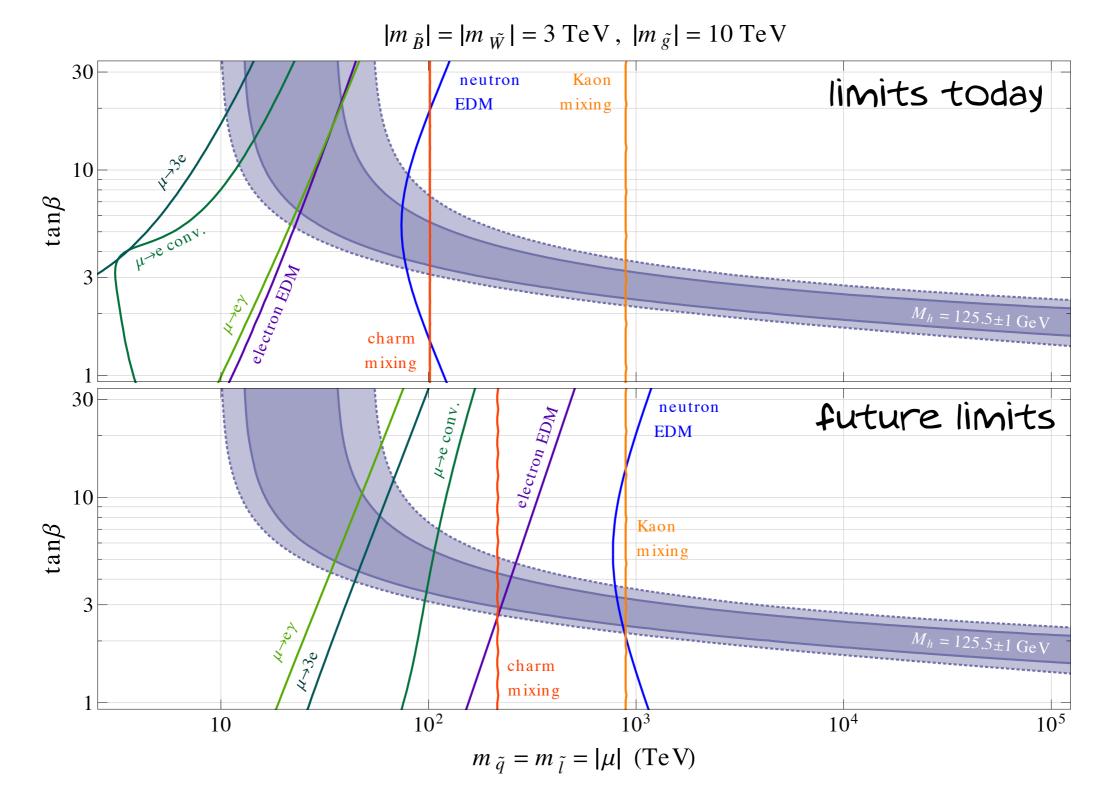
Flavor violation processes:







Other Probes



LFV is not alone!

Conclusions

- * What's the deal with flavor? we still don't know!
- CLFV is a sensitive probe of many NP scenarios.
 (EFT's are a simple way to parametrize them).
- * For the LHC, new physics probed by LFV is often:
 - either too heavy (as in Split SUSY).
 - or too weakly couples (as for the Higgs).
- * The mu2e experiment will move the limit by four orders of magnitude! A decade in NP scale!

