

# Universality Tests in $\tau$ Decays at FCC- $ee$

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- From LHC, it would seem that there is a mass gap between the electroweak scale  $v \sim 100$  GeV and the scale of new physics:  $\Lambda \gtrsim 1$  TeV  $\rightarrow$  precision frontier
- We would like to have TeV-scale NP (hierarchy problem)
- But many flavour experiments ( $K$ - $\bar{K}$  mixing, ...) set stronger bounds:  $\Lambda > 10^5$  TeV!
- This tells us that the flavour structure of NP must be very non-generic
- TeV-scale NP is still possible if it's coupled mainly to the third generation
- Interesting also in view of the Yukawa coupling structure
  - $\Rightarrow \tau$  leptons are a very interesting indirect probe of NP, complementary to e.g.  $B$  and top physics

# LFU tests

In the SM:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{gauge}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs+Yukawa}}$$

- LFU:  $e, \mu, \tau$  are all the same ( $\gamma, W, Z$ )  $\rightarrow$  expect  $\Gamma_e = \Gamma_\mu = \Gamma_\tau$
- LFUV:  $m_e \neq m_\mu \neq m_\tau$   
 $y_\tau \sim 10^{-2} \Rightarrow$  very small breaking, only in interactions with  $H$

Beyond the SM:

- New Physics may distinguish between different lepton species

hints of LFUV in  $b \rightarrow sll$  and  $b \rightarrow cl\nu$

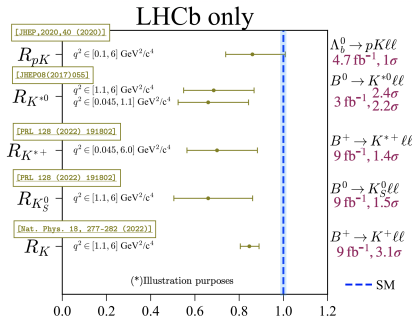
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Neutral currents

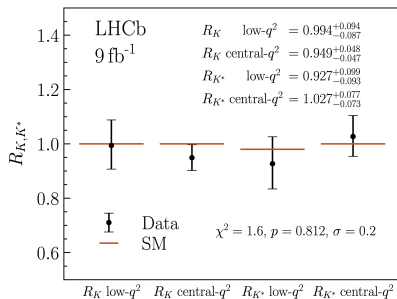
(see talk by B. Allanach)

$$R_{X_s} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_s e^+ e^-)}$$

Before 20/12/22:



After 20/12/22:



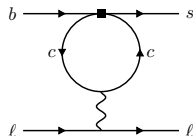
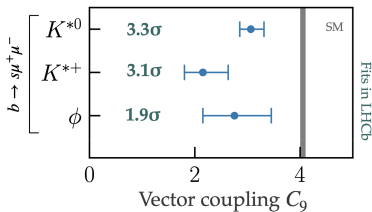
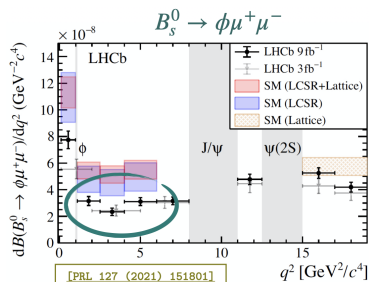
4.3 $\sigma$   $\rightarrow$  0.2 $\sigma$ !!

cf. R. Quagliani, CERN seminar 20/12/22

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## Neutral currents

(see talk by B. Allanach)



- Angular analyses in  $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$  transitions still show an interesting deviation from the SM
- However, theory prediction less under control (charm loops)
- Could be due to lepton flavour universal NP in the vector operator  $C_9$

$$\mathcal{O}_9 = (\bar{b} \gamma^\mu P_L s) (\bar{\ell} \gamma_\mu \ell)$$

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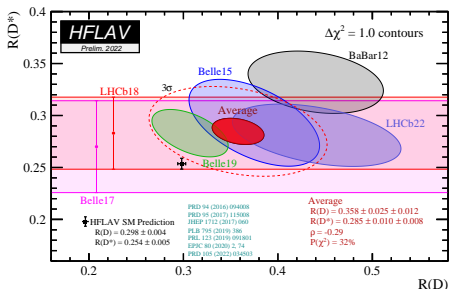
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## Charged currents

$$R_{X_c} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_c \tau \nu)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu)} \quad \ell = e, \mu$$

- $\tau/\mu, e$  universality
- Expect first measurement by Belle-II in spring

LHCb update October '22:

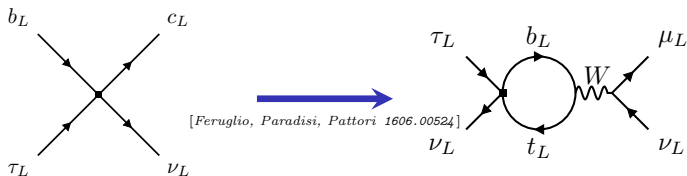


# B-Anomalies and $\tau$ decays

- Consider the LH contact interaction

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} [C_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{\alpha\beta ij} (\bar{\ell}_\alpha \gamma_\mu \sigma^I \ell_\beta) (\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu \sigma^I q_j)$$

- $\delta R_{D^{(*)}} \sim V_{cb} [C_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{\tau\tau 33} + V_{cs} [C_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{\tau\tau 23}$ 
  - modify only couplings to  $\tau$ s
  - down-aligned basis (avoid  $B_s$  mixing constraints)



Deviations in  $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$  imply a modification of  $\tau \rightarrow \ell\nu\bar{\nu}$  decays  
(modification of  $W$  coupling to  $\tau$ )

- $N \sim 10^{12}$   $Z$ -boson pairs  $\Rightarrow 1.7 \times 10^{11}$   $Z \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$  decays
- Better  $\tau$  reconstruction due to large boost
- Clean environment

[Dam 1811.09408]

Observable	Present value $\pm$ error	FCC-ee stat.	FCC-ee syst.
$m_\tau$ (MeV)	$1776.86 \pm 0.12$	0.004	0.1
$\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow e\bar{\nu}\nu)$ (%)	$17.82 \pm 0.05$	0.0001	0.003
$\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\bar{\nu}\nu)$ (%)	$17.39 \pm 0.05$	0.0001	0.003
$\tau_\tau$ (fs)	$290.3 \pm 0.5$	0.001	0.04



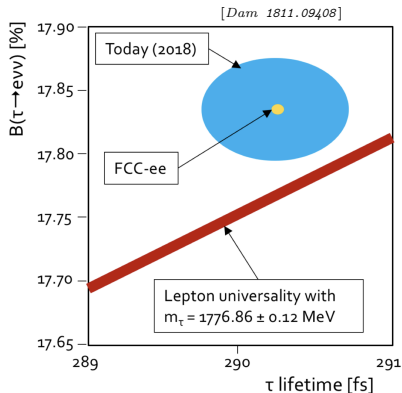
# Universality tests in $\tau$ decays: current status

Leptonic LFU ratios:

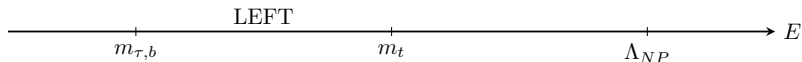
$$\begin{array}{c} [Pich 1310.7922] \\ \frac{\Gamma_{\tau \rightarrow \mu} / \Gamma_{\tau \rightarrow e}}{|g_{\mu} / g_e|} \quad 1.0018(14) \\ \frac{\Gamma_{\tau \rightarrow e} / \Gamma_{\mu \rightarrow e}}{|g_{\tau} / g_{\mu}|} \quad 1.0011(15) \\ \frac{\Gamma_{\tau \rightarrow \mu} / \Gamma_{\mu \rightarrow e}}{|g_{\tau} / g_e|} \quad 1.0030(15) \end{array}$$

- FCC-ee expected to go below  $10^{-4}$ !
- QED corrections known to  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2) \lesssim 10^{-5}$

see talk by G. Isidori at  
FCC Flavour Physics Workshop,  
CERN 13.09.22



# EFT for $\tau$ decays



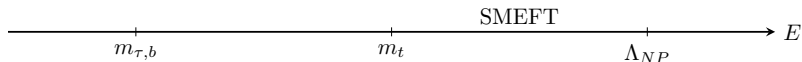
LEFT

- $H, W^\pm, Z, t$  integrated out
- $SU(3)_{QCD} \times U(1)_{QED}$  invariant

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{LEFT}} = -\frac{2}{v^2} [L_{\nu e}^{V,LL}]^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \left( \bar{\nu}_L^\alpha \gamma_\mu \nu_L^\beta \right) \left( \bar{e}_L^\gamma \gamma^\mu e_L^\delta \right) \quad [L_{\nu e}^{V,LL}]_{SM}^{\alpha\beta\beta\alpha} = 1$$

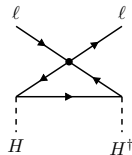
$$\begin{aligned} R_{\beta\alpha} &\equiv \frac{\Gamma(\ell_\beta \rightarrow \ell_\alpha \nu \bar{\nu})}{\Gamma_{SM}(\ell_\beta \rightarrow \ell_\alpha \nu \bar{\nu})} \equiv 1 + \delta R_{\beta\alpha} \\ &\approx 1 + 2 \text{Re}[L_{\nu e}^{V,LL}]_{\alpha\beta\beta\alpha}^{\text{NP}} \end{aligned}$$

# EFT for $\tau$ decays



SMEFT

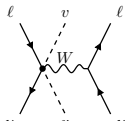
- Full SM field content
- $SU(3)_{QCD} \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  invariant



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = -\frac{2}{v^2} \left[ C_{\ell q}^{(3)} \right]^{\alpha\beta ij} (\bar{\ell}^\alpha \gamma_\mu \sigma^I \ell^\beta) (\bar{q}^i \gamma^\mu \sigma^I q^j)$$

Leading-Log result:

$$[L_{\nu e}^{V,LL}]_{NP,LL}^{\alpha\beta\beta\alpha} = -2 \sum_{\gamma=\alpha,\beta} [C_{H\ell}^{(3)}]_{\gamma\gamma} (m_t) = -\frac{y_t^2 N_c}{8\pi^2} \log \frac{\Lambda_{NP}^2}{m_t^2} \sum_{\gamma=\alpha,\beta} [C_{\ell q}^{(3)}]^{\gamma\gamma 33}$$



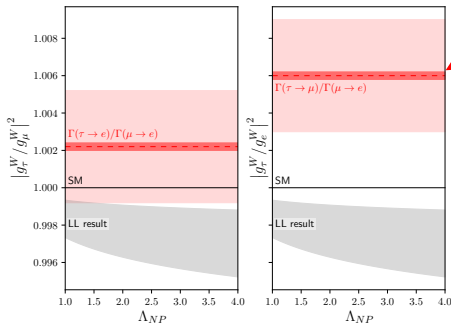
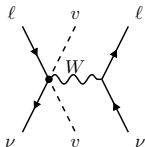
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# Leading Log result

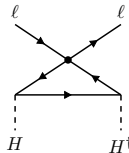
$$[O_{H\ell}^{(3)}]^{\alpha\beta} = (\bar{\ell}^\alpha \gamma_\mu \sigma^I \ell^\beta) (H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \sigma^I H)$$

$$|g_\tau/g_\mu|^2 \simeq 1 - 4 \sum_{\gamma=\alpha,\beta} [C_{H\ell}^{(3)}]_{\gamma\gamma} (m_t) = 1 - \frac{y_t^2 N_c}{4\pi^2} \log \frac{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2}{m_t^2} \sum_{\gamma=\alpha,\beta} [C_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{\gamma\gamma 33}$$

[LA, Isidori, Selimović 2109.03833]



FCC-ee



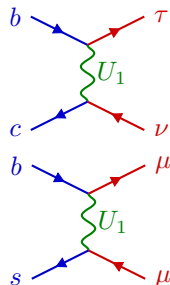
- Expect decrease of  $g_\tau$
- FCC-ee will be able to clarify the situation

# Example: the $U_1$ leptoquark, $U_1 \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, 2/3)$

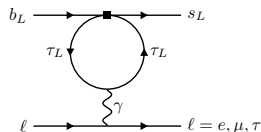
- Generates both  $bc\tau\nu$  and  $bs\ell\ell$  interactions
- LH couplings:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{g_U}{\sqrt{2}} U_1^\mu \beta_L^{i\alpha} (\bar{q}_L^i \gamma_\mu \ell_L^\alpha) + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\beta_L = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_L^{de} & \beta_L^{d\mu} & \beta_L^{d\tau} \\ \beta_L^{se} & \beta_L^{s\mu} & \beta_L^{s\tau} \\ \beta_L^{be} & \beta_L^{b\mu} & \beta_L^{b\tau} \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} & & \square \\ & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \blacksquare \end{pmatrix}$$



- Needs to be coupled mainly to third generation
- $bs\mu\mu \sim \beta_L^{b\mu} \beta_L^{s\mu}$   
 $\rightarrow$  rescaling couplings by a factor  $\sim 2$  restores compatibility with LFU tests
- Large  $bs\tau\tau$  coupling gives universal contribution to  $C_9$



# Quark-Lepton unification: 4321 model(s)

$$SU(4)_3 \times SU(3)_{1+2} \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_X$$

[1512.01560, 1708.08450, 1709.00692, 1712.01638, 1712.06844, ...]

Non universal gauge interactions  
→ NP coupled mainly to 3rd  
generation

New gauge fields:  $U_1, G', Z'$

$$U_1 \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, 2/3)$$

SM fermions:

Field	$SU(4)$	$SU(3)'$	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_X$
$\psi_L$	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	0
$\psi_R^+$	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	1/2
$\psi_R^-$	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	-1/2
$q_L^i$	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	1/6
$u_R^i$	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	2/3
$d_R^i$	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	-1/3
$\ell_L^i$	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	-1/2
$e_R^i$	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	-1

$$H \sim (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, 1/2)$$

Additional fermions (vector-like)  
→ mixing with light generations

Field	$SU(4)$	$SU(3)'$	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_X$
$\chi_L$	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	0
$Q_R$	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	1/6
$L_R$	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	-1/2

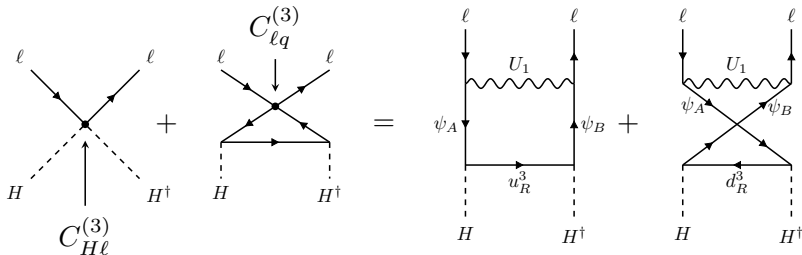
$$\mathcal{L} \supset M_q \bar{Q}_R q_L^2 + M_\ell \bar{L}_R \ell_L^2$$

# 1-loop computations in the UV-complete theory

$$[O_{Hl}^{(3)}]^{\alpha\beta} = (\bar{\ell}^\alpha \gamma_\mu \sigma^I \ell^\beta) (H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \sigma^I H)$$

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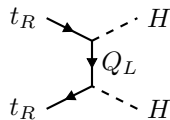
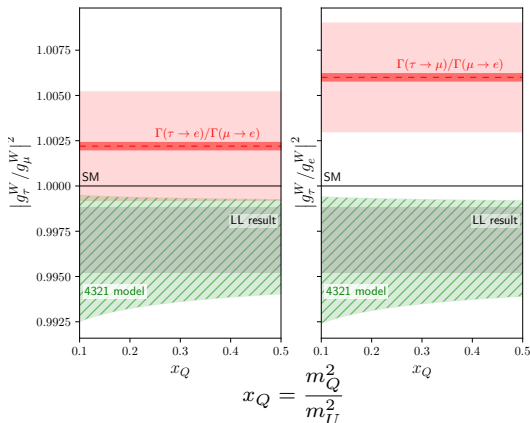
$$[C_{Hl}^{(3)}]_{\tau\tau}(\mu) = -\frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{N_c C_U}{2} \left[ |\beta_L^{b\tau}|^2 |y_t|^2 \left( 1 + \log \frac{\mu^2}{m_U^2} \right) \right. \\ \left. + c_Q 2 \text{Re}(\beta_L^{b\tau*} \beta_L^{Q\tau} Y_+^* y_t) B_0(x_Q) \right. \\ \left. + c_Q^2 |\beta_L^{Q\tau}|^2 (|Y_+|^2 + |Y_-|^2) F(x_Q, x_Q^R) \right]$$

$$C_U = \frac{g_U v^2}{4m_U^2}$$

# Full model results for $\tau$ LFU ratios

- Including finite pieces and the effect of the vector-like states can change the leading-log result
- The tension can only be slightly decreased
- Vector-like quarks also enter in other observables:  $m_W, Z \rightarrow t_R \bar{t}_R$

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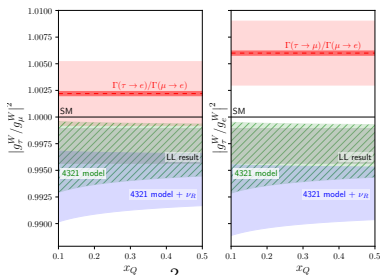
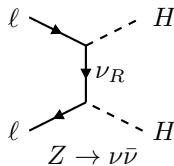


# Adding neutrino masses

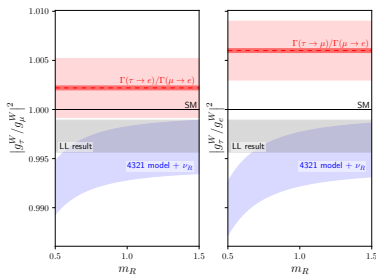
- Quark-lepton unification predicts  $m_t \sim m_{\nu_\tau}$
- Inverse see-saw mechanism:

$$\mathcal{L} = -\lambda_R \bar{S}_R^c \Omega_1^T \psi_R^+ + \frac{1}{2} \mu \bar{S}_R^c S_R$$

$$m_R \sim \lambda_R \langle \Omega_1 \rangle \pm \mu \quad m_{\nu_\tau} \sim \frac{y_t v}{m_R} \mu$$



$$x_Q = \frac{m_Q^2}{m_U^2}$$

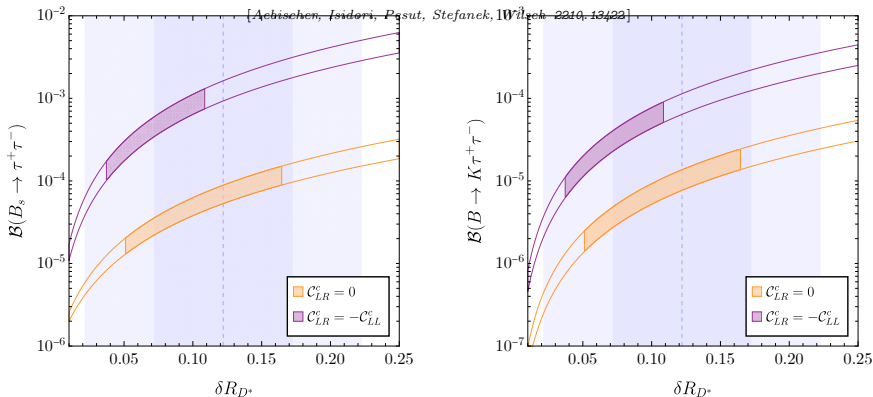


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- Decay rates strongly enhanced in the  $U_1$  model
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[Kamenik, Monteil, Semkiv, Vale Silva 1705.11106]



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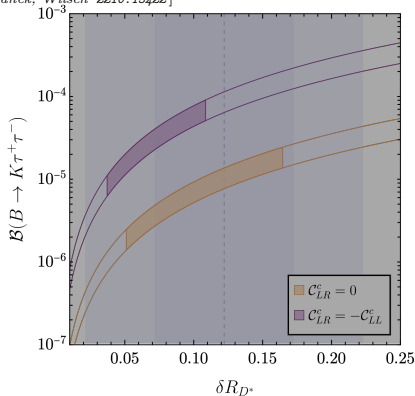
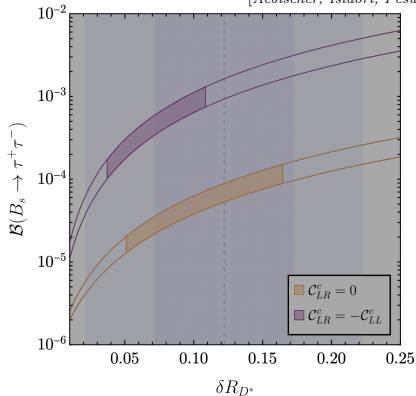
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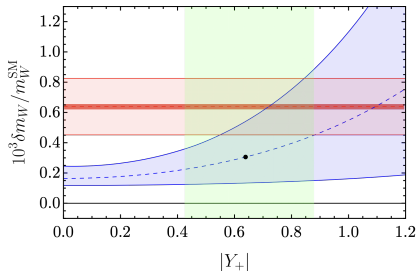
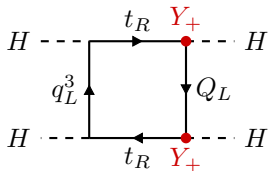
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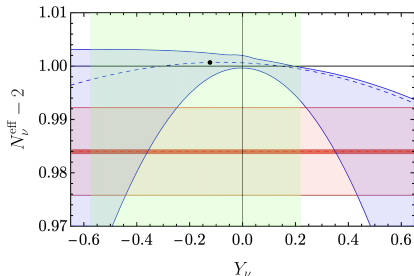
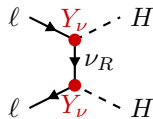
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# EWPO: $m_W$ and $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$

$m_W$



$Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$



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# Summary and Outlook

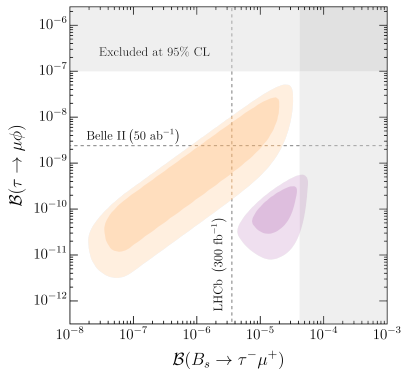
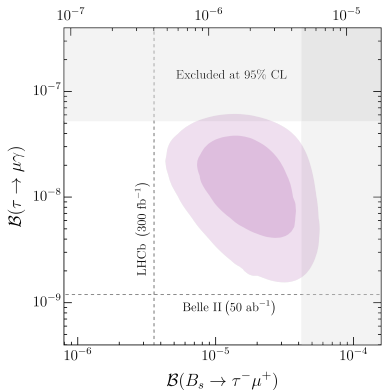
- $\tau$  leptons, being third generation fermions, are particularly interesting to look at with precision experiments
- FCC-ee is an ideal machine to do so
- LFU tests are a very clean probe of NP
- If deviations from the SM come from TeV-scale NP, not only  $\tau$ s will be affected  
→ define models and study correlations between observables at different energy scales

*Thank you!*

Backup

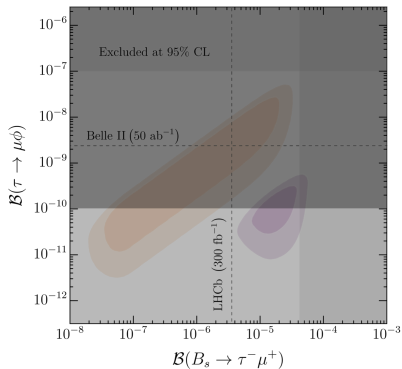
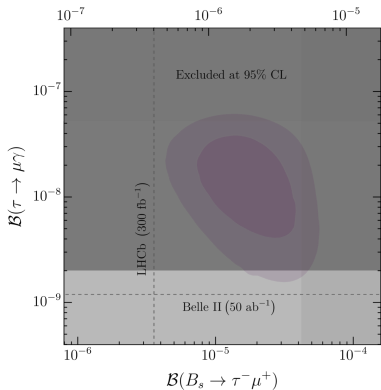
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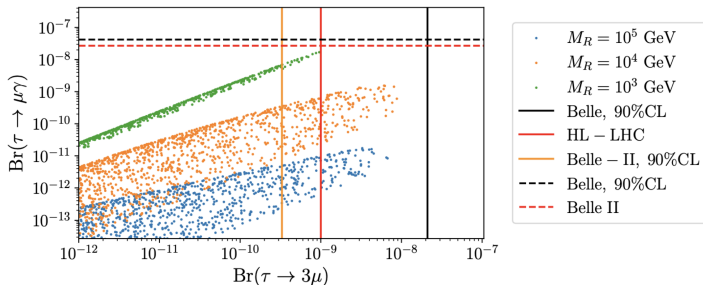
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[Crivellin, Kirk, Manzari 2208.00020]



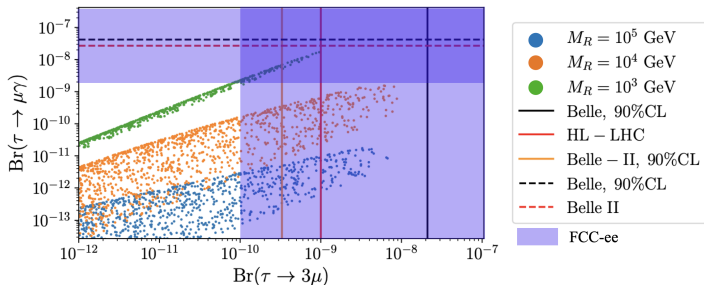
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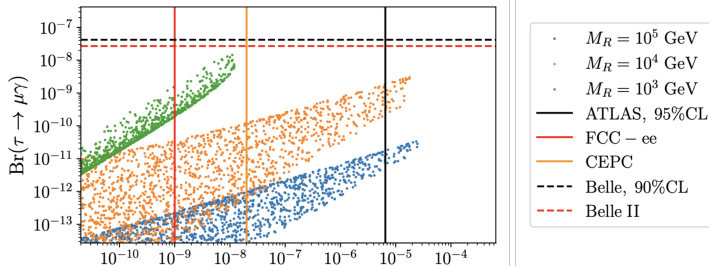
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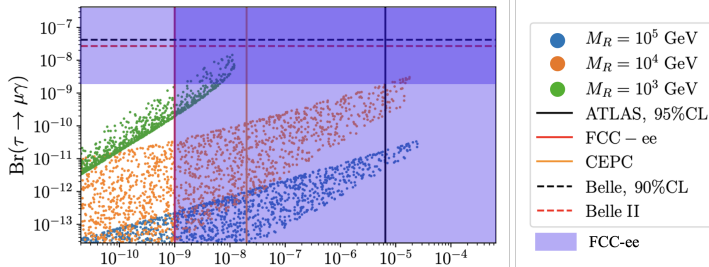
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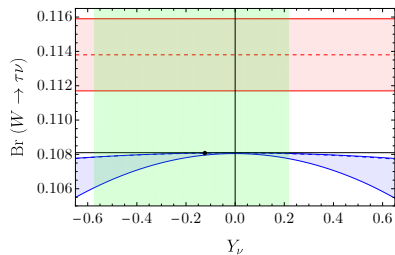
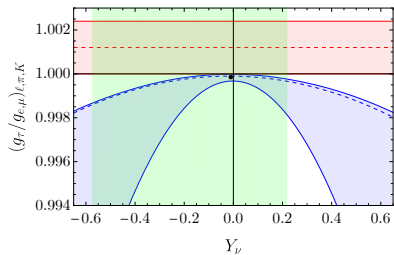
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