



# Search for LFV with the Z' model in future lepton colliders

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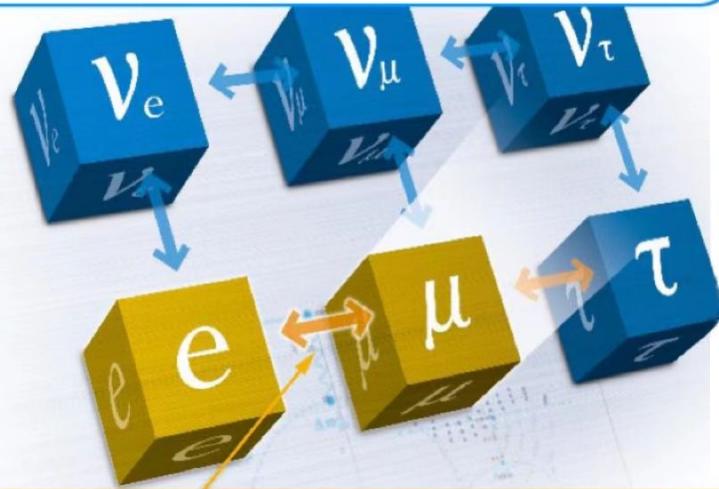
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# Motivation

Neutrino Flavor Violation is observed !

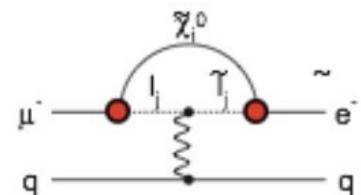


charged Lepton Flavor Violation !? (cLFV)

- Since LFV decay is forbidden in the SM, the observation of any LFV decay would be a signal of new physics beyond SM.
- In SM, Lepton Flavour is conserved for zero degenerate  $\nu$  masses and now we have clear indication that  $\nu$ s have finite mass.

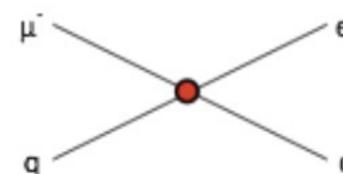
Supersymmetry

rate  $\sim 10^{-15}$



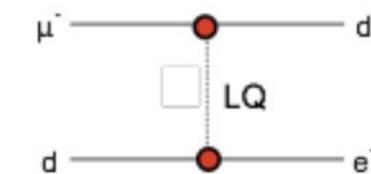
Compositeness

$\Lambda_c \sim 3000$  TeV



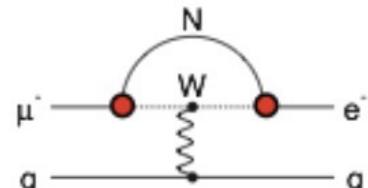
Leptoquark

$$M_{LQ} = 3000 (\lambda_{\mu d} \lambda_{ed})^{1/2} \text{ TeV}/c^2$$



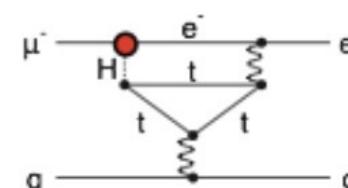
Heavy Neutrinos

$$|U_{\mu N} U_{e N}|^2 \sim 8 \times 10^{-13}$$



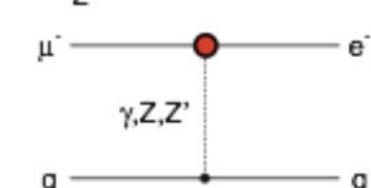
Second Higgs Doublet

$$g(H_{\mu e}) \sim 10^{-4} g(H_{\mu \mu})$$



Heavy Z' Anomalous Z Coupling

$$M_{Z'} = 3000 \text{ TeV}/c^2$$



- Models may enhance LFV effects up to a detectable level, such as leptoquark, Compositeness, Supersymmetry, Heavy Z' and Anomalous boson Coupling model.

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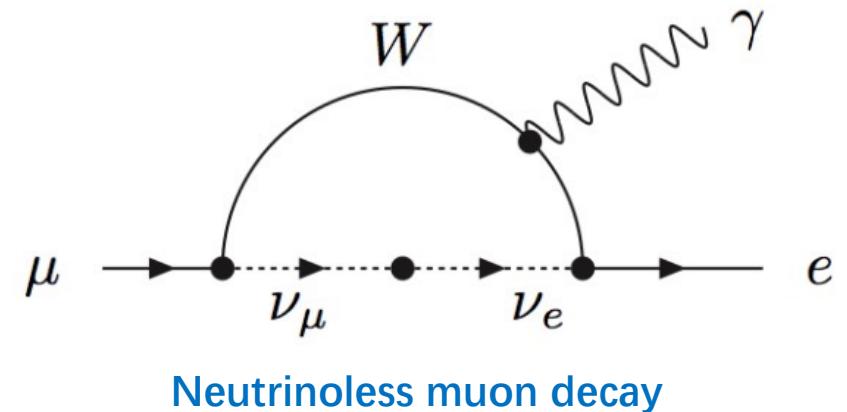
# Motivation



- ◆ In the charged lepton sector, LFV is heavily suppressed in the Standard Model.

$$BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = \frac{3\alpha}{32\pi} \left| \sum_{i=2,3} U_{\mu i}^* U_{ei} \frac{\Delta m_{1i}^2}{M_W^2} \right|^2 < 10^{-54}$$

Nucl. Phys. 25, 340 (1977)



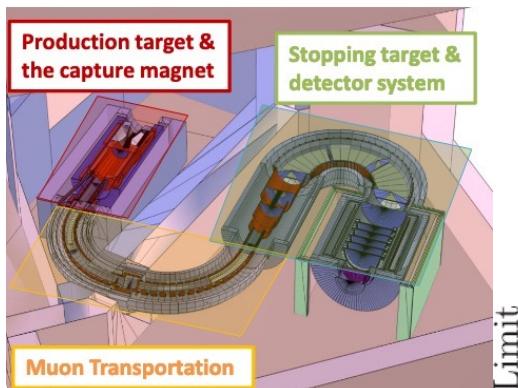
- ◆ Both experimental searches and upper-limit predictions, including  $\mu, \tau$  LFV decays,  $\pi, K$  LFV decays and  $\phi, J/\psi$  two-body LFV decays, etc.

# CLFV

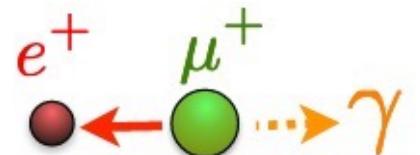
- $\mathcal{B}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) < 3.1 \times 10^{-13}$  @ 90% C.L. **MEGII**
- $\mathcal{B}(\tau^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) < 3.3 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L. **BABAR**
- $\mathcal{B}(\mu \rightarrow 3e) < 1.0 \times 10^{-12}$  @ 90% C.L. **SINDRUM**
- $\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp) < 7.5 \times 10^{-7}$  @ 95% C.L. **ATLAS**
- $\mathcal{B}(\phi \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp) < 2 \times 10^{-6}$  @ 90% C.L. **SND**
- $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow e^\pm \tau^\mp) < 7.1 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L. **BESIII**
- $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp) < 4.5 \times 10^{-9}$  @ 90% C.L. **BESIII**

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Current best limit

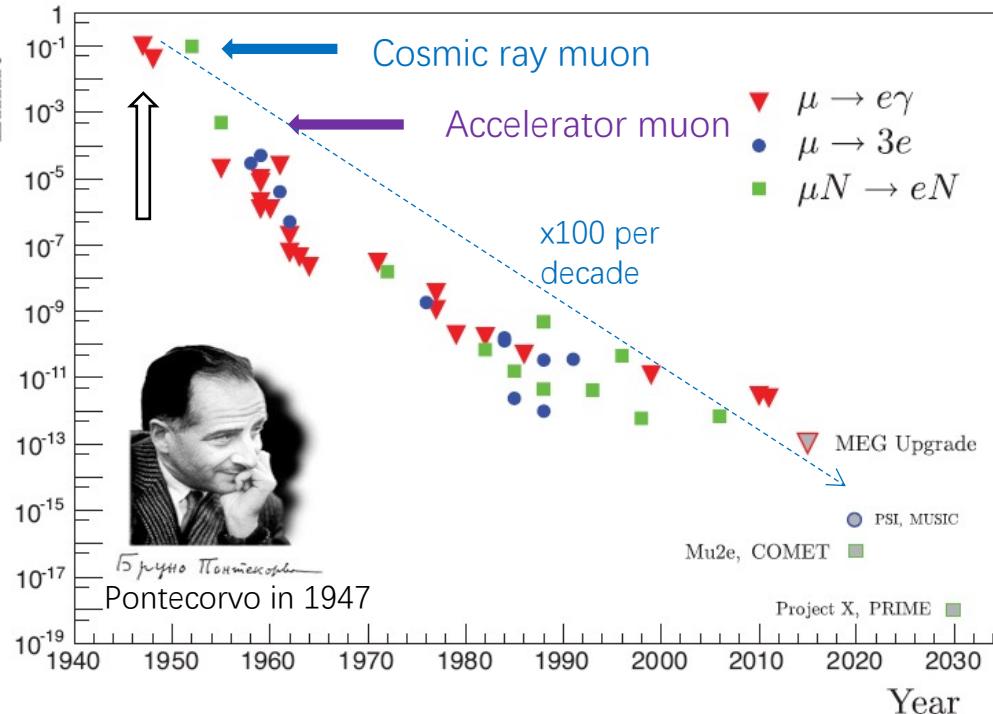


COMET



MEGII process

- Mu2e and COMET** will search for CLFV with  $\mu N \rightarrow e N$   
Improve the current limit by a factor of  $10^4$   
Next goal  $< 6 \times 10^{-17}$  (90% C.L.)  
Search for New Physics with energy scale up to  $10^4$  TeV
- MEGII and Mu3e** has similar beam requirements.  
Intensity  $O(10^8)$  muon/s, low momentum  $p = 28$  MeV/c  
MEGII was started in 2021 and will continue to run until 2026 aiming at a sensitivity down to  $6 \times 10^{-14}$  (90% C.L.)



# Z' model for CLFV

- ◆ A new  $U(1)$  gauge symmetry  $\rightarrow Z'$
- ◆  $Z'$ , a neutral vector boson with the same couplings to fermion-antifermion as the  $Z$ , but with a larger mass.
- ◆ May interact with different particles and produce different decay modes  $\rightarrow$  New physics
- ◆ May benefit from the development of new technologies, such as higher-energy particle accelerators and more sensitive detectors.
- ◆ Searching for  $Z'$   $\leftarrow$  LHC, FNAL...

$f$	$\Gamma_{f\bar{f}}$
$\ell$	$\frac{\alpha M_{Z'}}{24 s_W^2 c_W^2} \left(1 - 4 s_W^2 + 8 s_W^4\right)$
$\nu$	$\frac{\alpha M_{Z'}}{24 s_W^2 c_W^2}$
$u$	$\frac{3\alpha M_{Z'}}{24 s_W^2 c_W^2} \left(1 - \frac{8}{3} s_W^2 + \frac{32}{9} s_W^4\right)$
$d$	$\frac{3\alpha M_{Z'}}{24 s_W^2 c_W^2} \left(1 - \frac{4}{3} s_W^2 + \frac{8}{9} s_W^4\right)$

$\alpha$ : the fine structure constant

$M_{Z'}$ : the mass of  $Z'$

$c_W$ : the cosine of the weak mixing angle

$s_W$ : the sine of the weak mixing angle

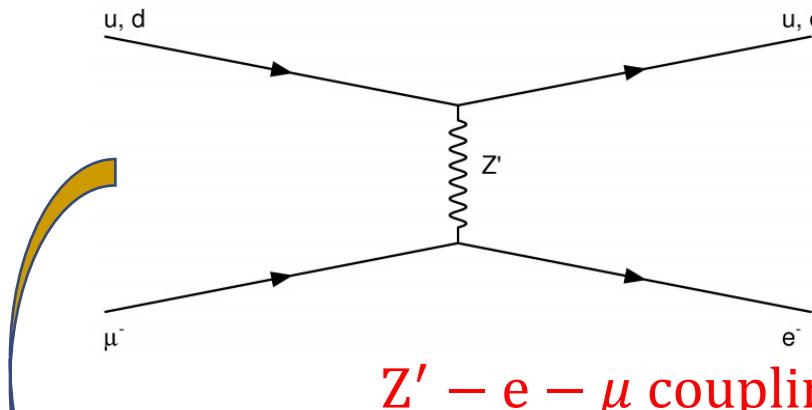
# Z' model for CLFV

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◆  $\mu$  to  $e$  conversion



$Z' - e - \mu$  coupling

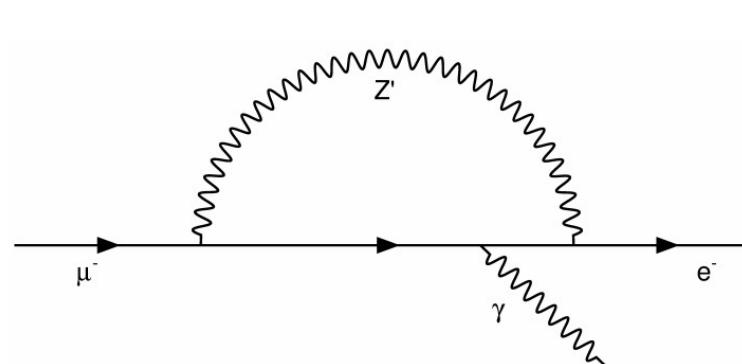
$$\lambda_{e\mu}^2 = \frac{2\pi^2 \Gamma_{capture} Z R}{G_F^2 \alpha^3 m_\mu^5 Z_{eff}^4 |F(q)|^2} \cdot \frac{M_{Z'}^4}{M_Z^4} \times \frac{1}{S_W^4 + \left(S_W^2 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2} \times \frac{1}{\left[(2Z+N)\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{3}S_W^2\right) + (Z+2N)\left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3}S_W^2\right)\right]^2}$$

$G_F$ : the Fermi constant,  $\alpha$ : the fine structure constant,  $\Gamma_{capture}$  : nuclear muon capture rate,

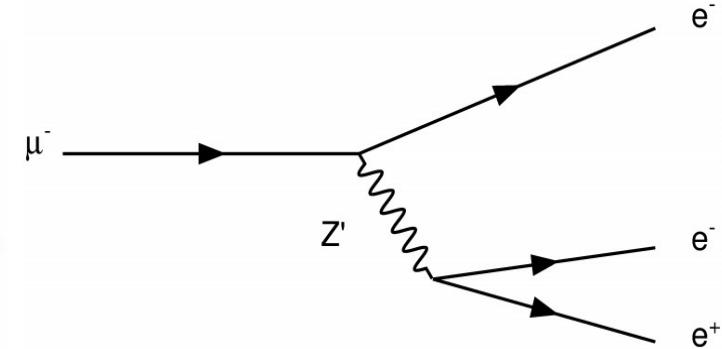
$Z_{eff}, F_p$ : nuclear parameters,  $Z$ : the atomic number,  $N$ : the number of neutrons in the nucleus,

$S_W$  : the sine of the weak mixing angle,  $M_{Z'}$ : the mass of  $Z'$ ,  $m_\mu$ : the muon mass

◆  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$

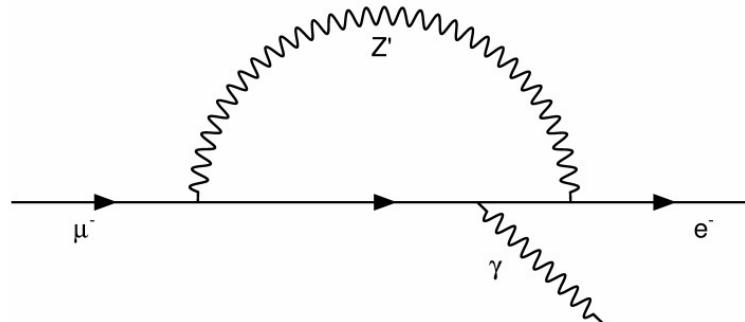


◆  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^- e^+$

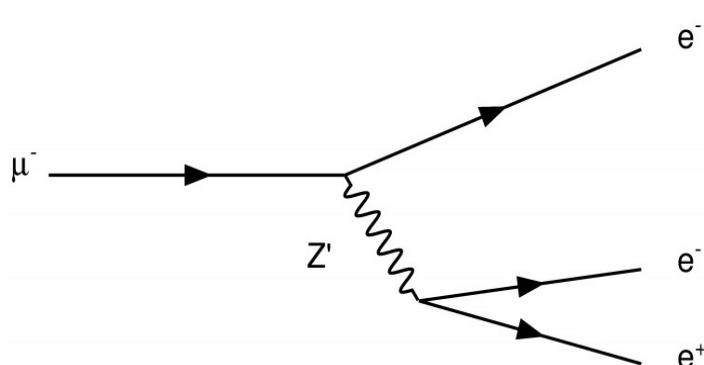


# Z' model for CLFV

◆  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$



◆  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^- e^+$



$$BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = \frac{\Gamma_{\mu \rightarrow e\gamma}}{\Gamma_{\mu \rightarrow ev\nu}} = \frac{48\alpha}{\pi} S_W^4 \left( S_W^2 - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \lambda_{e\mu}^2 \cdot \frac{M_Z^4}{M_{Z'}^4}$$

$Z' - e - \mu$  coupling

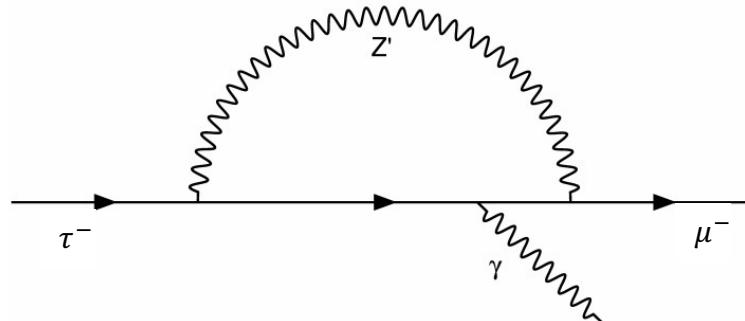
$$BR(\mu \rightarrow eee) = \frac{\Gamma_{\mu \rightarrow eee}}{\Gamma_{\mu \rightarrow ev\nu}} = 4 \cdot \lambda_{e\mu}^2 \cdot \frac{M_Z^4}{M_{Z'}^4} \left[ S_W^4 + \left( S_W^2 - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \right]^2$$

$\alpha$ : the fine structure constant,  $M_Z$ : the  $Z$  boson mass,  
 $M_{Z'}$ : the mass of  $Z'$ ,  $S_W$  : the sine of the weak mixing angle

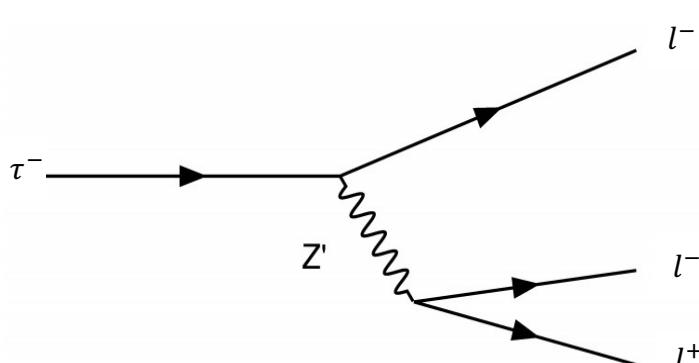
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# Z' model for CLFV

◆  $\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \gamma$



◆  $\tau^- \rightarrow l^- l^- l^+$



$$BR(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma) = \frac{48\alpha}{\pi} S_W^4 \left(S_W^2 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \lambda_{\mu\tau}^2 \cdot \frac{M_Z^4}{M_{Z'}^4} BR(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu)$$

**Z' –  $\mu$  –  $\tau$  coupling**

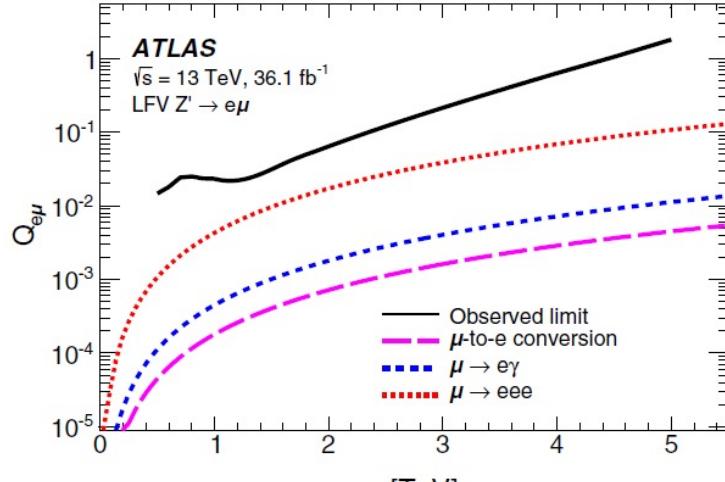
$$BR(\tau \rightarrow lll) = 4 \cdot \lambda_{\mu\tau}^2 \cdot \frac{M_{Z'}^4}{M_Z^4} \left[S_W^4 + \left(S_W^2 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right]^2 BR(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu)$$

$\alpha$ : the fine structure constant,  $M_Z$ : the Z boson mass,

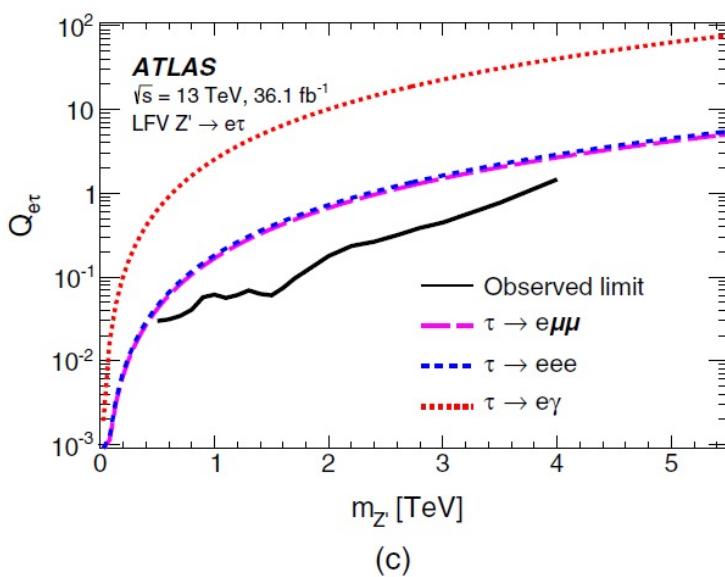
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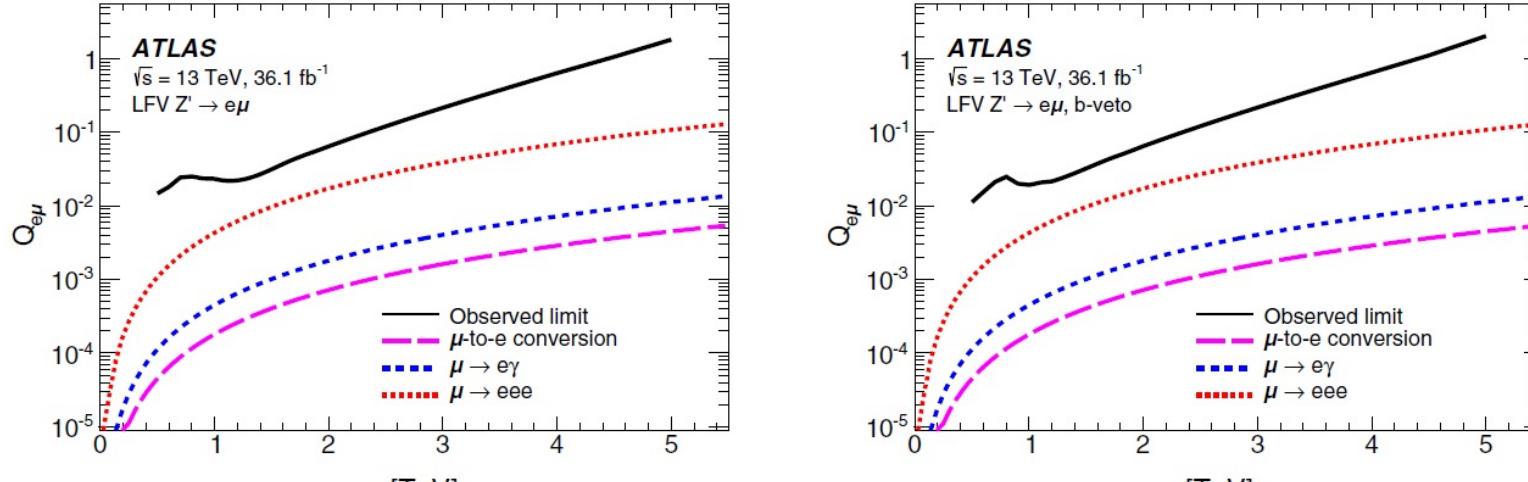
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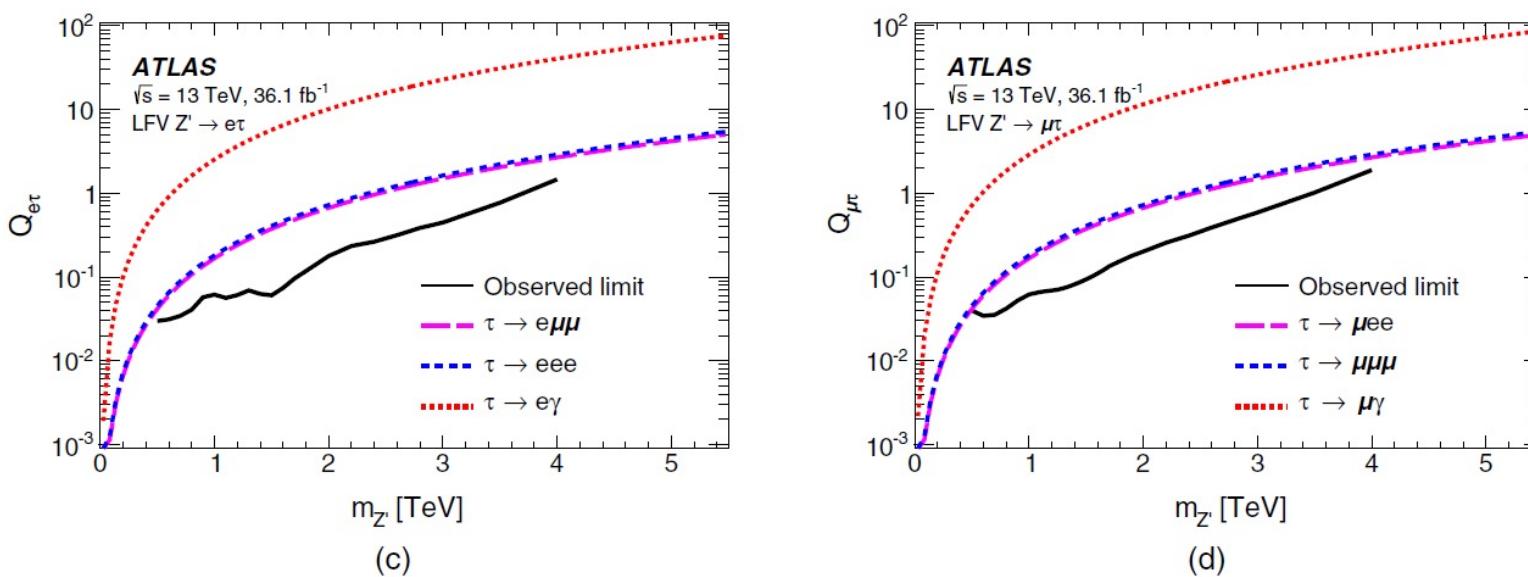
(a)



(c)



(b)



(d)

◆ The ATLAS cross-section times branching ratio limits (solid lines) compared with similar limits from low-energy experiments

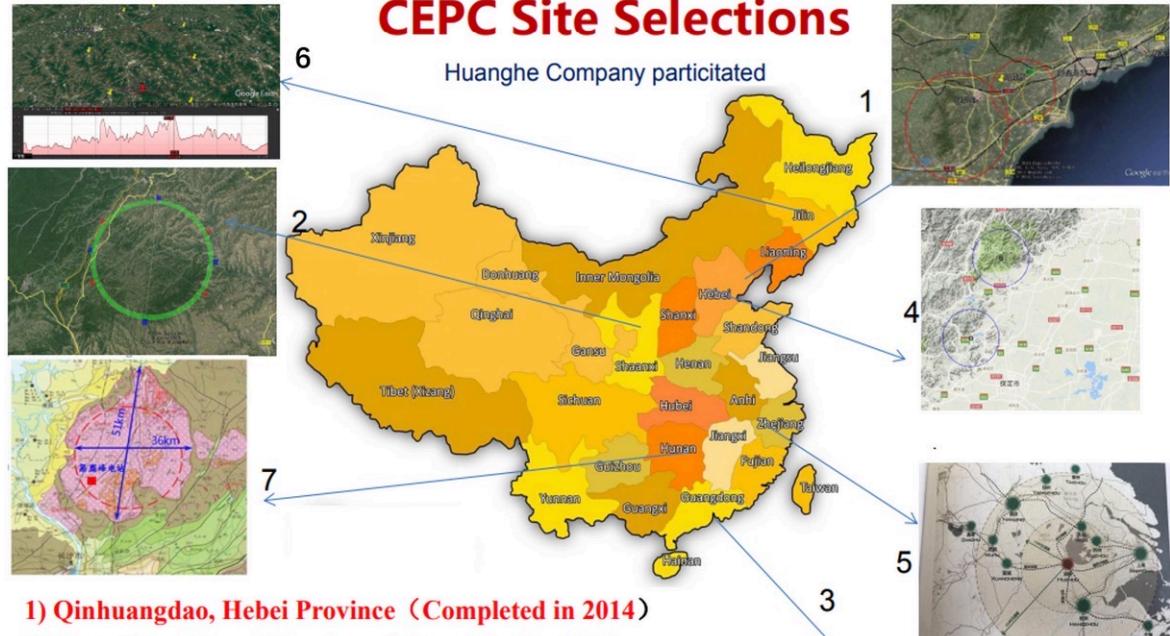
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# Future collider

$$\text{integrated luminosity } L \simeq 10 \text{ ab}^{-1} \times (\sqrt{s}/10 \text{ TeV})^2$$

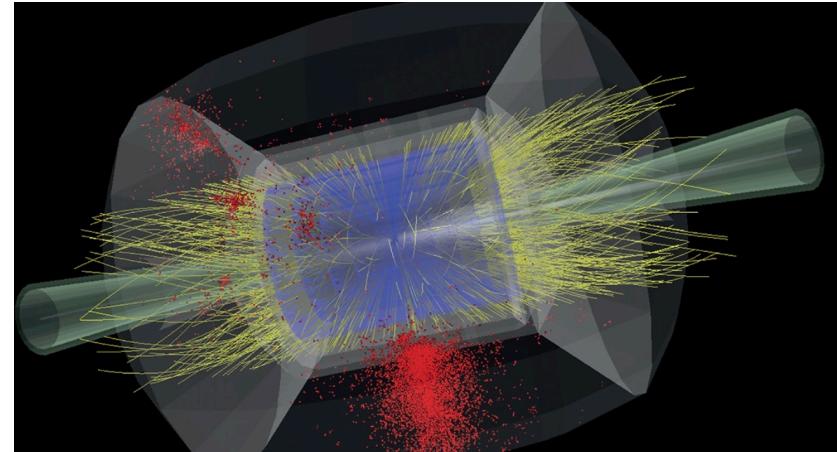


## Circular Electron Positron Collider (CEPC)



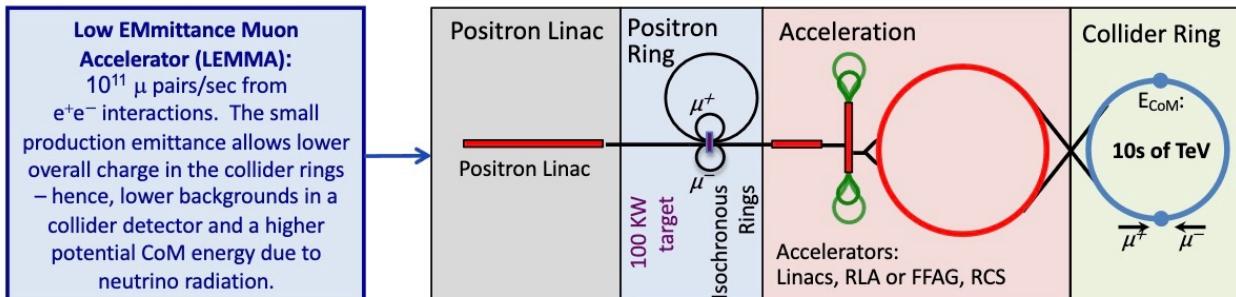
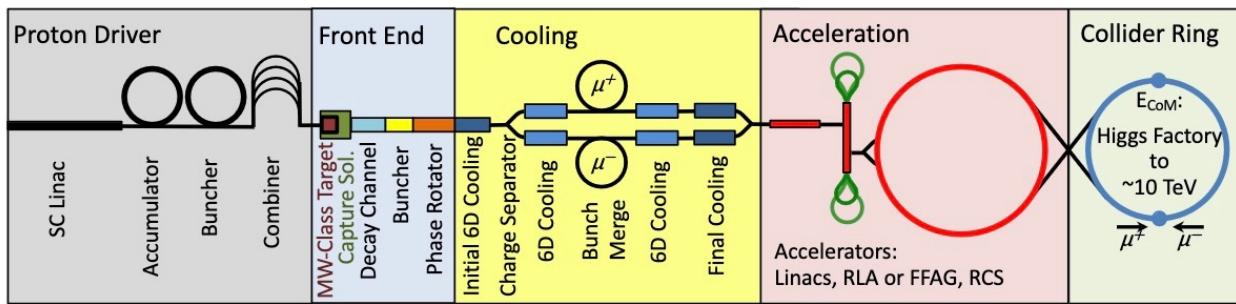
- large-scale high-energy physics experimental facility  
perform high-precision detection of the Higgs boson

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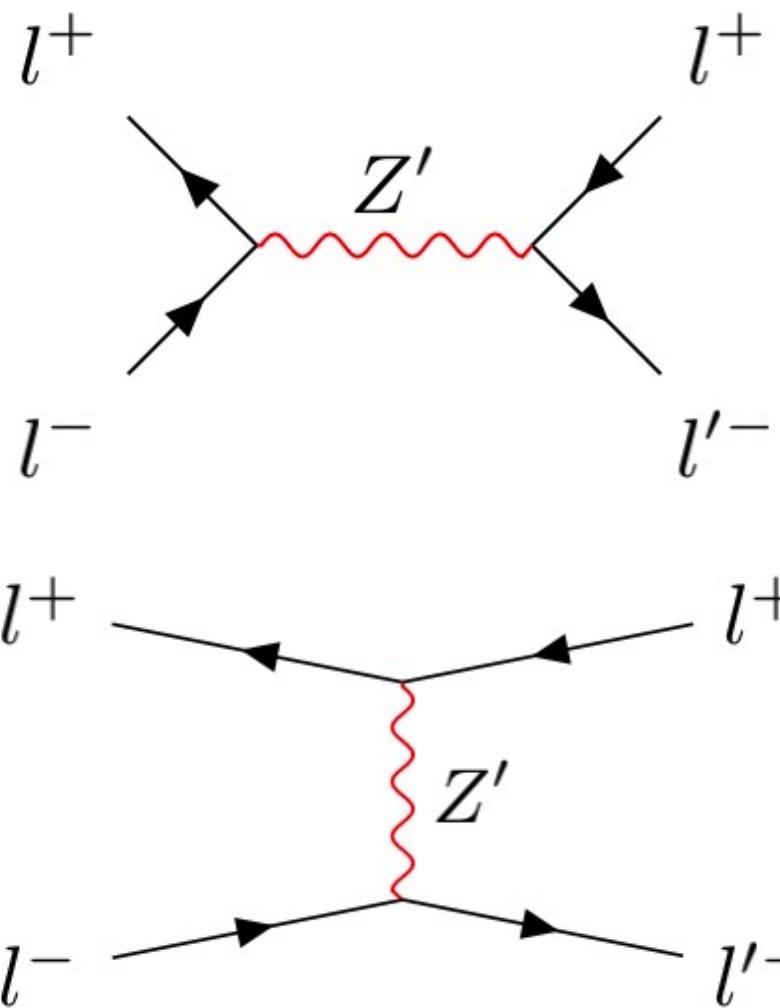


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## Muon Collider



# Signal process



- ◆ CEPC:  $ee \rightarrow e\mu, ee \rightarrow e\tau$
- ◆ Muon collider:  $\mu\mu \rightarrow e\mu, \mu\mu \rightarrow \mu\tau$
- ◆ Only one CLFV coupling  $\lambda_{ij} (i \neq j)$  is assumed to be non-zero while the diagonal couplings  $\lambda_{ij} (i = j)$  are always set as 1.

$$\lambda_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{ee} & \lambda_{e\mu} & \lambda_{e\tau} \\ \lambda_{\mu e} & \lambda_{\mu\mu} & \lambda_{\mu\tau} \\ \lambda_{\tau e} & \lambda_{\tau\mu} & \lambda_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ◆ Using [@Madgraph](#), [@Pythia8](#) and [@Delphes](#) to generate the processes



process	Cross section(pb)
$ee \rightarrow e\mu$	$4.04 \times 10^{-5}$
$ee \rightarrow ww, w \rightarrow ev, w \rightarrow \mu\nu$	0.395
$ee \rightarrow \tau\tau, \tau \rightarrow ev\nu, \tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$	0.241
$ee \rightarrow hvv, h \rightarrow \tau\tau, \tau \rightarrow ev\nu/\mu\nu\nu$	$1.13 \times 10^{-4}$
$ee \rightarrow hvv, h \rightarrow ww, w \rightarrow ev/\mu\nu$	$3.93 \times 10^{-6}$
 $ee \rightarrow e\tau$	 $6.94 \times 10^{-5}$
$ee \rightarrow ww, w \rightarrow ev, w \rightarrow \tau\nu$	3.733
$ee \rightarrow \tau\tau, \tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$	0.658
$ee \rightarrow hvv, h \rightarrow \tau\tau, \tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$	$4.28 \times 10^{-3}$

- ◆ Control  $\tau$  decay to  $\mu$  in MG5, and control another  $\tau$  to hadrons in Pythia8.
- ◆ For the  $\tau$  final state, only the hadronized  $\tau$  is considered, the cross section needs to  $\times 60\%$ .

process	Cross section(pb)
$\mu\mu \rightarrow e\mu$ (14TeV collider)	$3.38 \times 10^{-4}$
$\mu\mu \rightarrow wwwv, w \rightarrow ev, w \rightarrow \mu\nu$	0.013
$\mu\mu \rightarrow ww, w \rightarrow ev, w \rightarrow \mu\nu$	$7.71 \times 10^{-4}$
$\mu\mu \rightarrow \tau\tau, \tau \rightarrow ev\nu, \tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$	$3.20 \times 10^{-5}$
$\mu\mu \rightarrow hvv, h \rightarrow \tau\tau, \tau \rightarrow ev\nu/\mu\nu\nu$	$2.22 \times 10^{-3}$
$\mu\mu \rightarrow hvv, h \rightarrow ww, w \rightarrow ev/\mu\nu$	$7.68 \times 10^{-5}$
 $\mu\mu \rightarrow \mu\tau$ (6TeV collider)	 0.042
$\mu\mu \rightarrow wwwv, w \rightarrow \tau\nu, w \rightarrow \mu\nu$	$6.47 \times 10^{-3}$
$\mu\mu \rightarrow ww, w \rightarrow \tau\nu, w \rightarrow \mu\nu$	$3.40 \times 10^{-3}$
$\mu\mu \rightarrow \tau\tau, \tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$	$9.81 \times 10^{-4}$
$\mu\mu \rightarrow hvv, h \rightarrow \tau\tau, \tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$	$2.28 \times 10^{-3}$
$\mu\mu \rightarrow hvv, h \rightarrow ww, w \rightarrow \tau\nu/\mu\nu$	$2.92 \times 10^{-5}$

# Preliminary selection and efficiency

◆ The events are required to satisfy the requirements of lepton flavor and charge conservation, i.e.,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+\mu^-$ , all **signal and background** events are required to have one  $e^+$  and one  $\mu^-$ .

◆  $e\mu$  final states:

$$p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 2.5$$

◆ Final state containing  $\tau$ :

$$p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 5$$

$p_T$  : the transverse momentum,  $|\eta|$  : the pseudo-rapidity

◆  $\mu$  tracking efficiency

Collider	Conditions	Efficiency
CEPC	$0.1 <  \eta  \leq 3$	100%
	$ \eta  > 3$	0%
Muon Collider	$ \eta  < 2.0, 0.5 < p_T < 1 \text{ GeV}$	95%
	$ \eta  \leq 2.0, p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}$	99%
	$2.0 <  \eta  < 2.5, 0.5 < p_T \leq 1 \text{ GeV}$	90%
	$2.0 <  \eta  < 2.5, p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}$	95%
	$ \eta  > 2.5$	0%

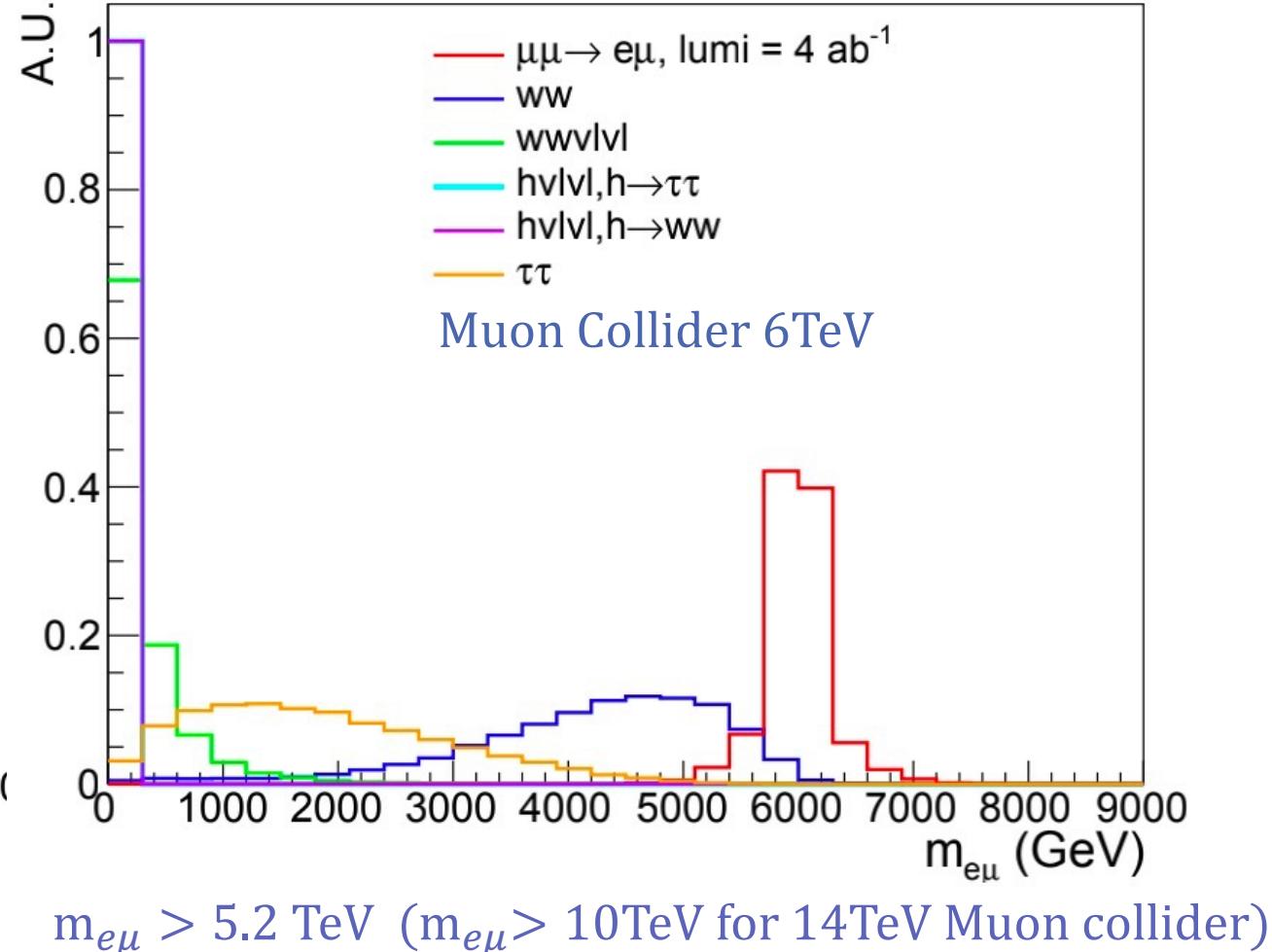
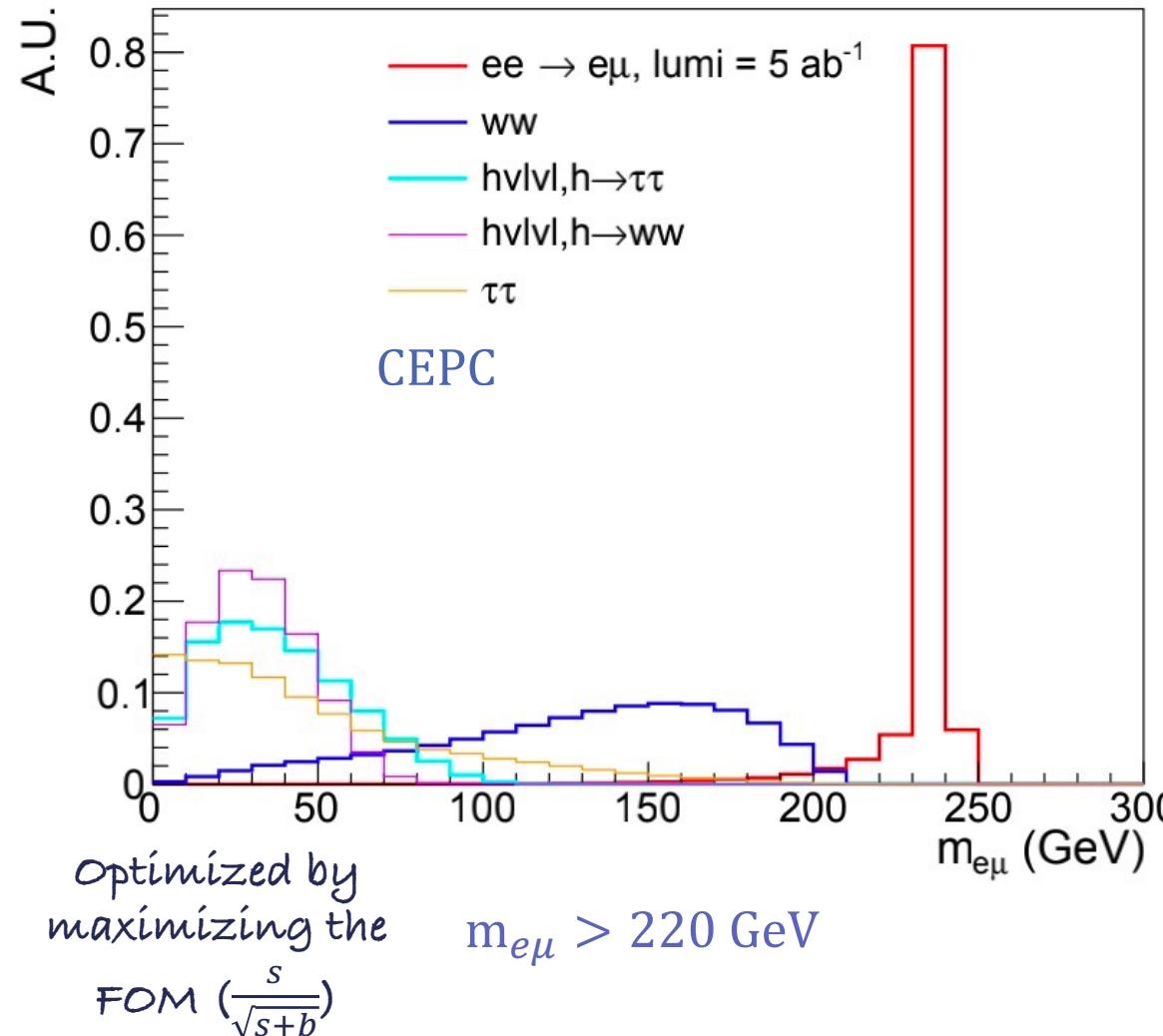
◆  $\tau$  tagging efficiency

Collider	Efficiency
CEPC	40%
Muon Collider	80%

# Further cuts



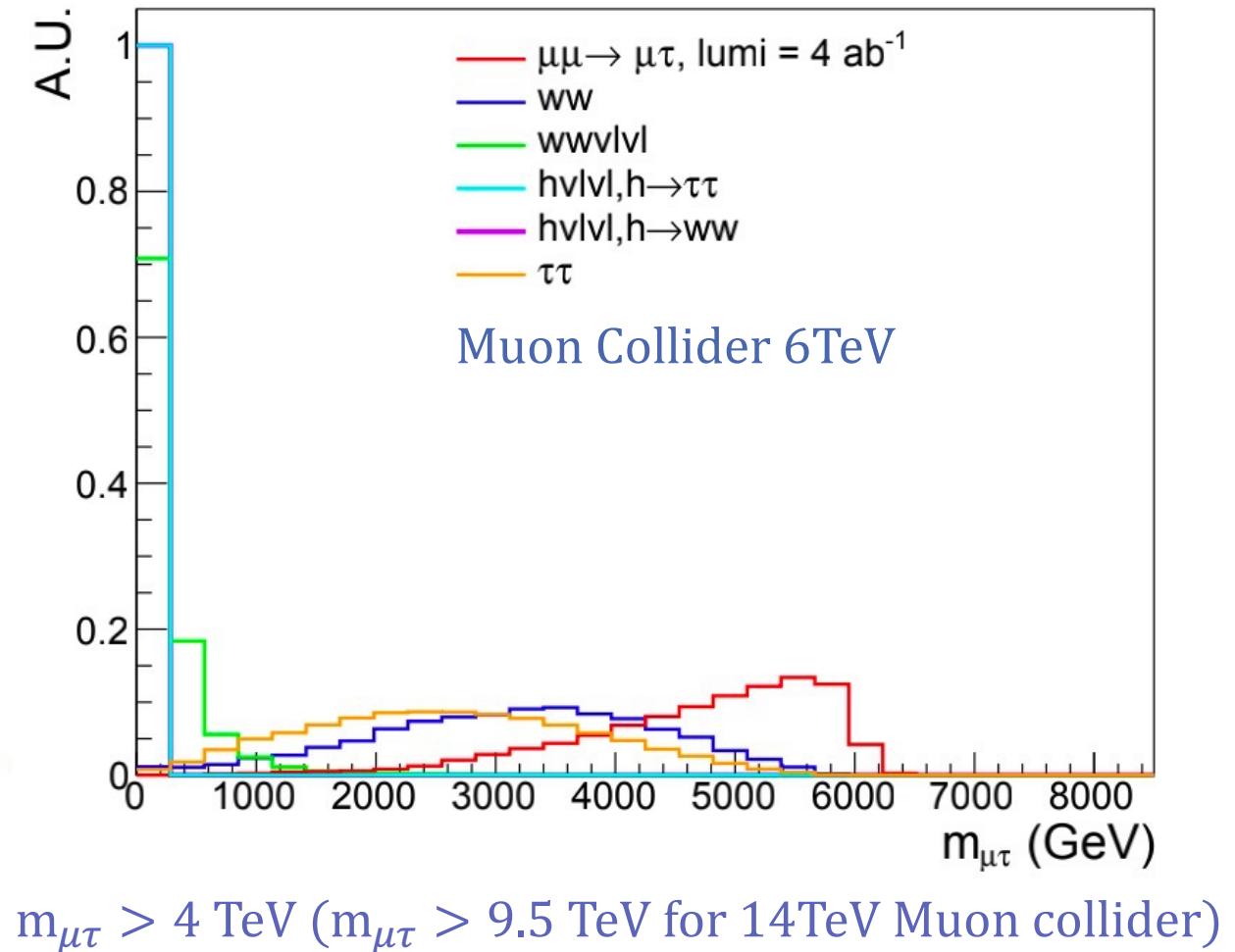
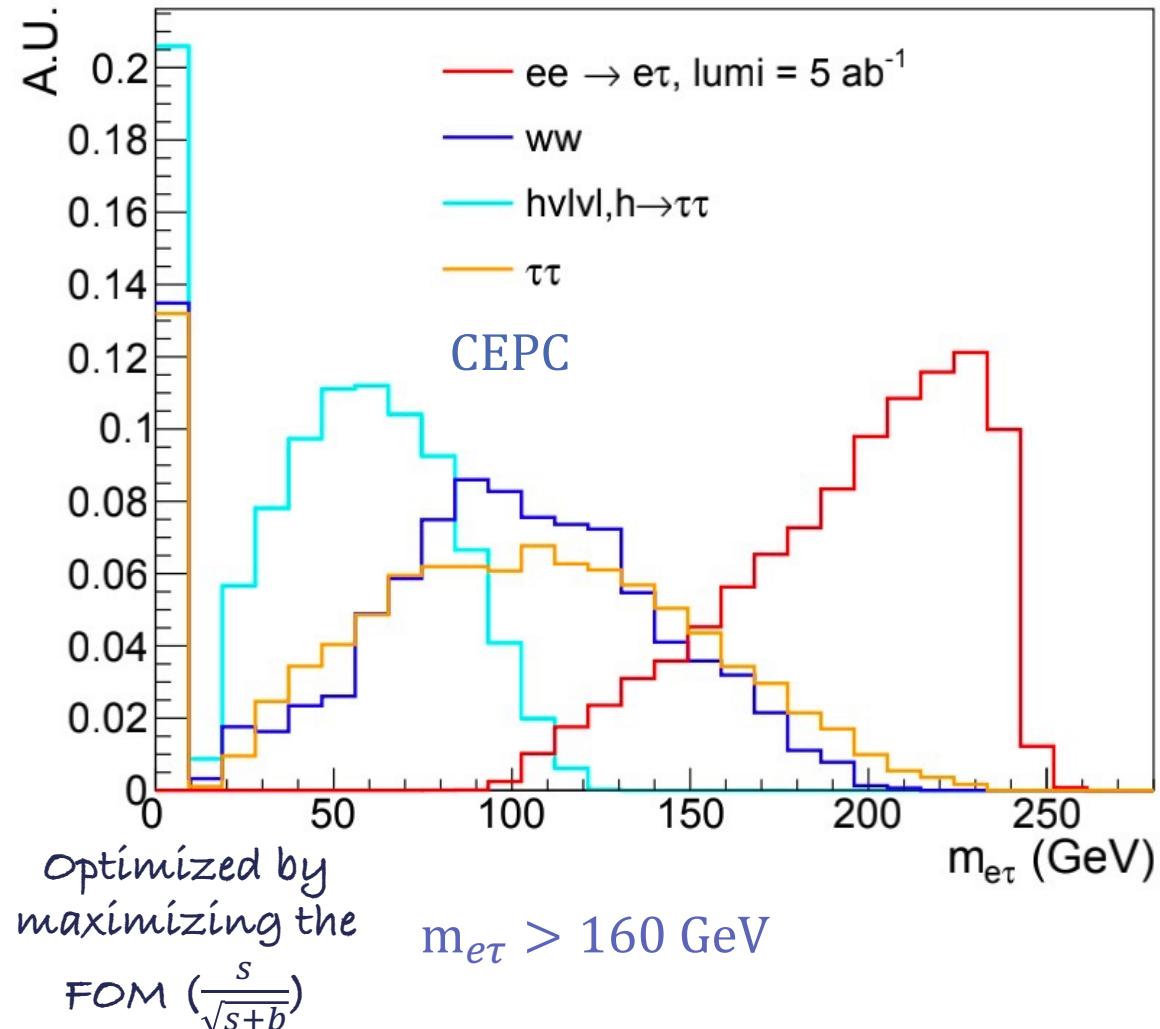
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# Further cuts



- ◆ Using  $e\tau, \mu\tau$  invariant mass to separate the signal and the backgrounds.





# Analysis framework

◆ After all selections, get binned histograms on the final state lepton  $p_T$  distributions

◆ Per-event weight to account for the cross-section difference :  $n_{L_X} = \sigma_X L / N_X$

◆ Defined the negative log likelihood test statistics Z:

$$Z = \sum_{i=1}^{bins} Z_i$$

$$Z_i := 2[n_i - b_i + b_i \ln(b_i/n_i)] \text{ 95% C.L. Exclusion}$$

$\sigma_X$ : cross section  
 $L$ : luminosity  
 $N_X$  : events generated

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$i$ : the bin number,  $s$ : the beyond SM signal,  $b$ : the SM background

$n = s + b$  : the total yields containing both signal and background

◆ The Z statistic subjects to a  $\chi^2$  distribution with degree of freedom equals to 1.



# Current limits

Using the  $Z'$  model formula, these upper limits can be converted into coupling upper limits

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- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-) < 1.0 \times 10^{-12}$  @ 90% C.L. **Mu3e**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^-\gamma) < 3.3 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L. **BABAR**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^-\gamma) < 4.2 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L. **Belle**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-) < 2.7 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L. **Belle**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^-\mu^+\mu^-) < 2.1 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L. **Belle**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+ e^-) < 1.8 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L. **Belle**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+\mu^-) < 2.7 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L. **Belle**

# Prospect limits



Symmetry 13 no.9, 1591 (2021)

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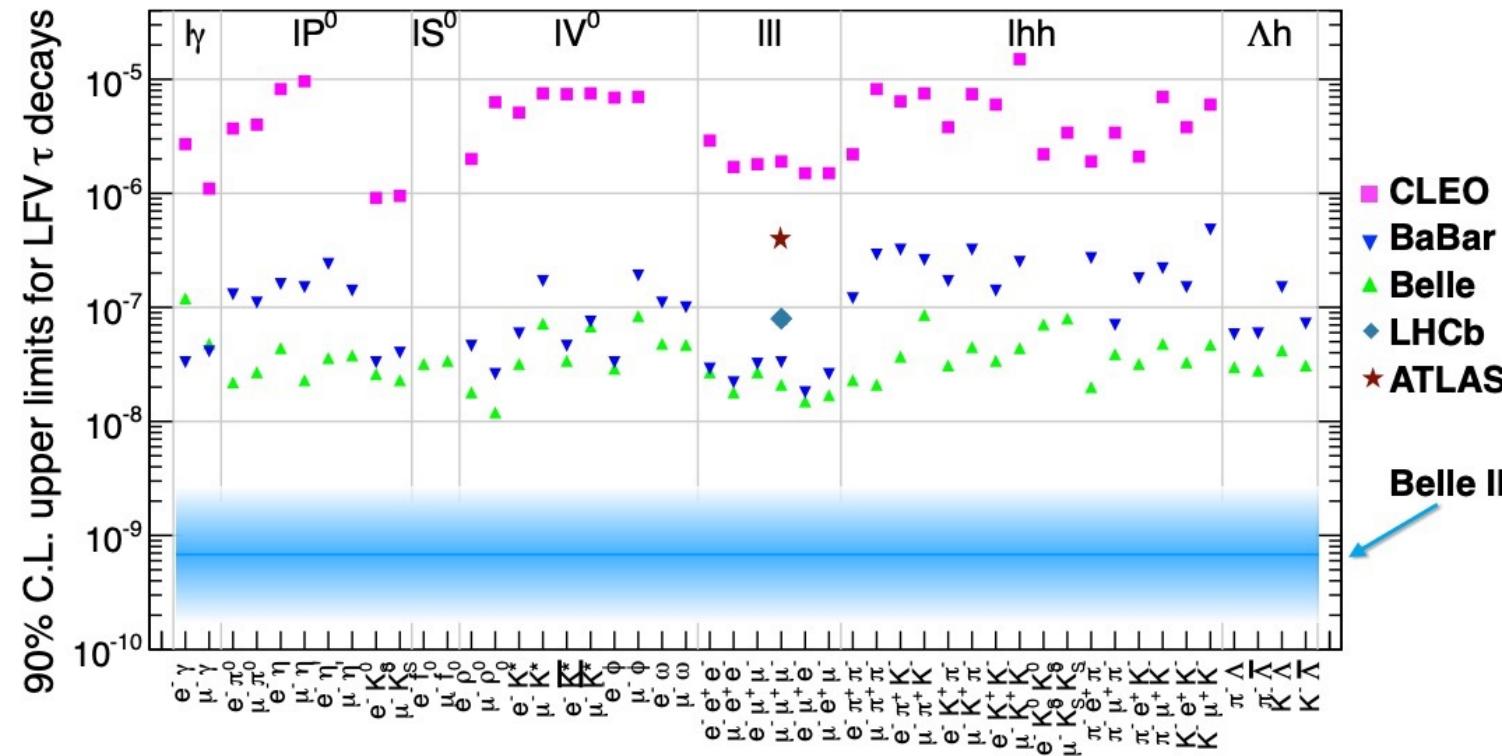
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- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^-\gamma) < 9.0 \times 10^{-9}$
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^-\gamma) < 6.9 \times 10^{-9}$
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^-e^+e^-) < 4.7 \times 10^{-10}$
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\mu^-) < 3.6 \times 10^{-10}$
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^-e^+e^-) < 2.9 \times 10^{-10}$
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+\mu^-) < 4.5 \times 10^{-10}$

@ 90% C.L. **Belle II**

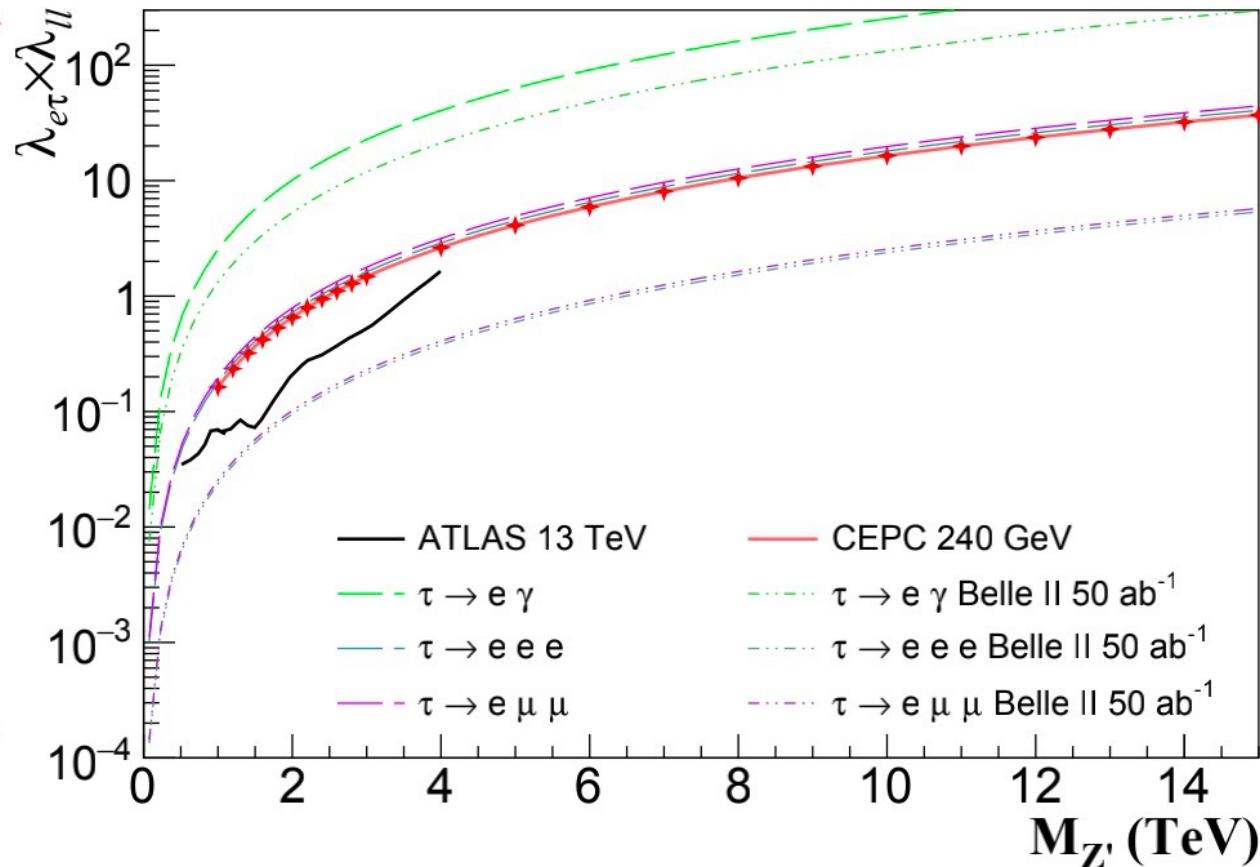
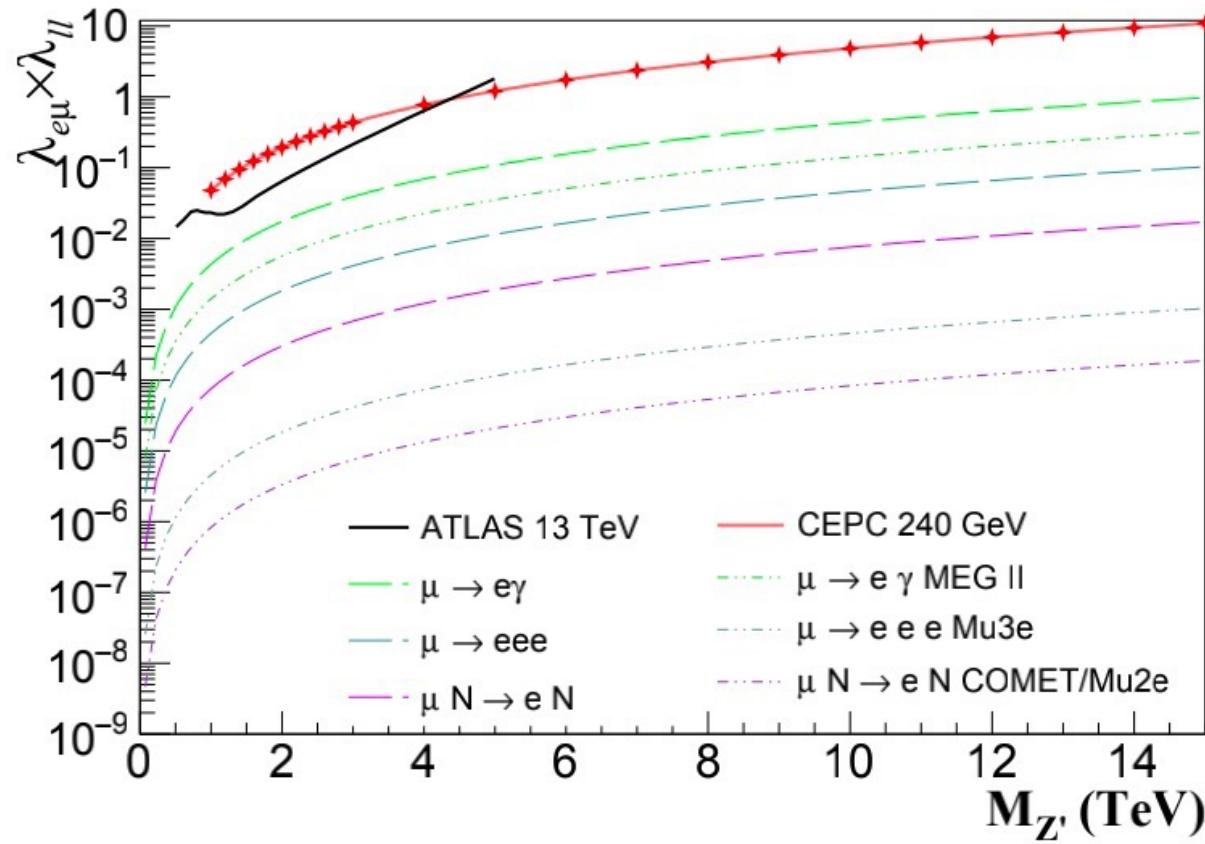
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- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\mu^- \rightarrow e^-\gamma) < 6.0 \times 10^{-14}$  @ 90% C.L. **MEGII**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\mu^-N \rightarrow e^-N) < 3.0 \times 10^{-17}$  @ 90% C.L. **COMET**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\mu^-N \rightarrow e^-N) < 8.0 \times 10^{-17}$  @ 90% C.L. **Mu2e**
- ◆  $\mathcal{B}(\mu^- \rightarrow e^-e^+e^-) < 1.0 \times 10^{-16}$  @ 90% C.L. **Mu3e**



# Upper limit on CEPC

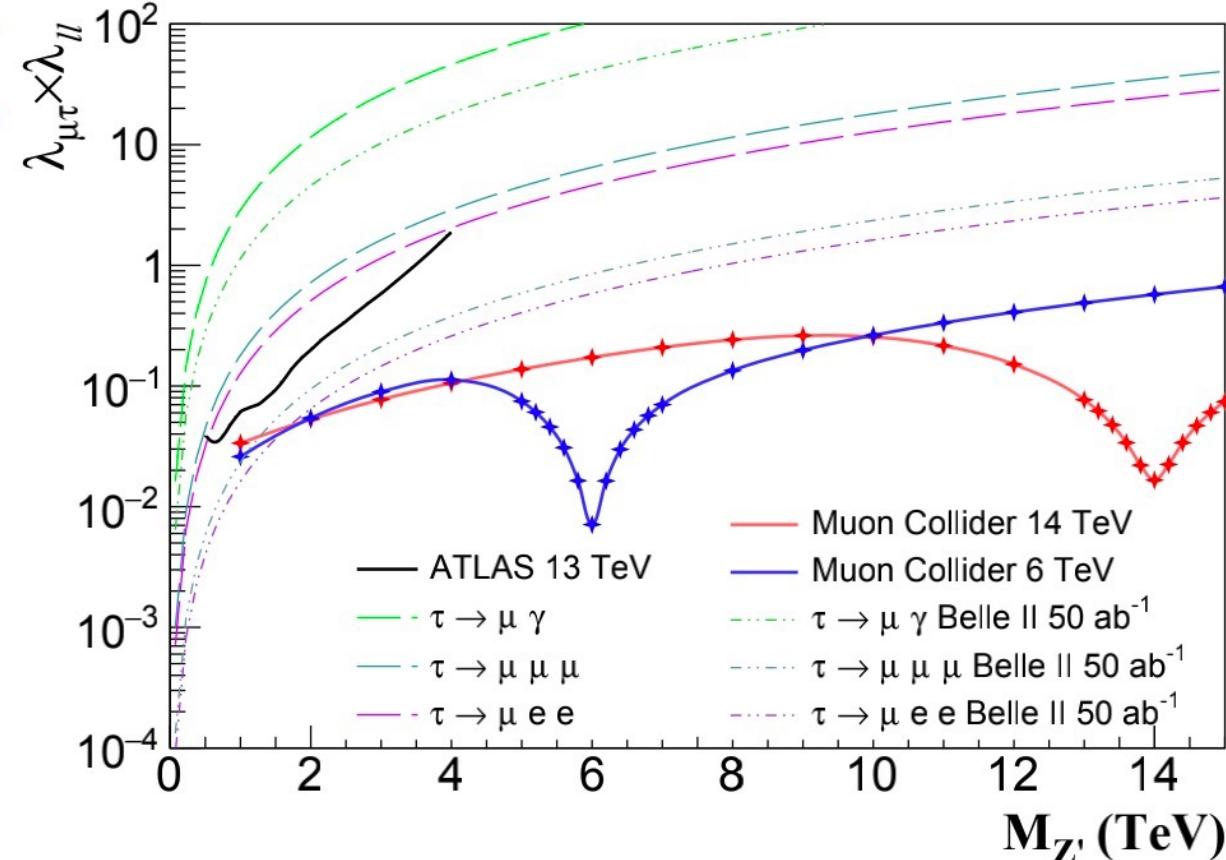
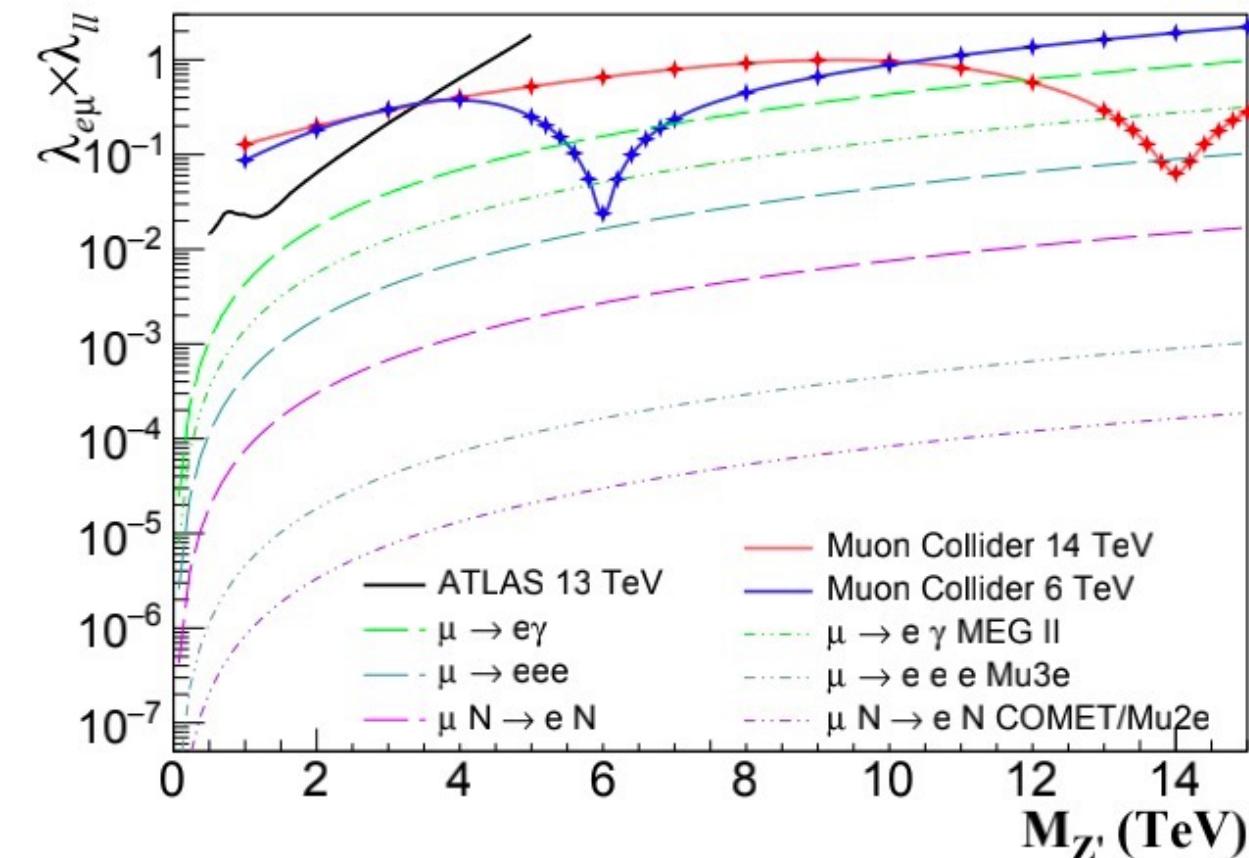
- The curves are plotted as functions of  $M_{Z'}$ , from the cross-section times branching ratio limits.



- Compared with the ATLAS experiment, current low-energy experiments (dashed lines) and future experiments (dash-dotted lines).

# Upper limit on MuonC

- The curves are plotted as functions of  $M_{Z'}$ , from the cross-section times branching ratio limits.



- For  $\mu\tau$  channel, the two coupling limits in this work are the most stringent when the mass of  $Z'$  is greater than 1.5 TeV.



# Summary

- ◆ The observation of any CLFV process would be a clear signal of new physics beyond the SM.
- ◆ Perform a detailed comparative study on CLFV searches at a 6 (14) TeV scale muon collider and a 240 GeV electron-positron collider.
- ◆ The strongest constraint:  $\mu\tau$  coupling at the 6Tev Muon collider, reaching  $10^{-3}$  when  $Z'$  mass equals to 6 TeV, which is stronger than the current best limits on CLFV.
- ◆ The  $\tau$  related CLFV coupling strength will be significantly improved.



Thank you!

# Back up

$$\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \approx \frac{G_F^2 m_\mu^5}{192\pi^3} \left( \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \right) \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left( \frac{1.27\Delta m^2}{M_W^2} \right)$$

$\mu - decay$        $\gamma - vertex$        $\vartheta - oscillation$   
 $\approx \frac{G_F^2 m_\mu^5}{192\pi^3} \left( \frac{3\alpha}{32\pi} \right) \left( \frac{\Delta m_{23}^2 s_{13} c_{13} s_{23}}{M_W^2} \right)^2$

with  $\Delta \sim 10^{-3} eV^2$ ,  $M_W \sim O(10^{11}) eV \approx \mathbf{o}(10^{-54})$

