

Looking closer at the $U(1)_{B-L}$ explanation of the ATOMKI nuclear anomalies

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Observation of Anomalous Internal Pair Creation in ^8Be : A Possible Indication of a Light, Neutral Boson

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Electron-positron angular correlations were measured for the isovector magnetic dipole 17.6 MeV ($J^\pi = 1^+, T = 1$) state \rightarrow ground state ($J^\pi = 0^+, T = 0$) and the isoscalar magnetic dipole 18.15 MeV ($J^\pi = 1^+, T = 0$) state \rightarrow ground state transitions in ^8Be . Significant enhancement relative to the internal pair creation was observed at large angles in the angular correlation for the isoscalar transition with a confidence level of $> 5\sigma$. This observation could possibly be due to nuclear reaction interference effects or might indicate that, in an intermediate step, a neutral isoscalar particle with a mass of $16.70 \pm 0.35(\text{stat}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$ and $J^\pi = 1^+$ was created.

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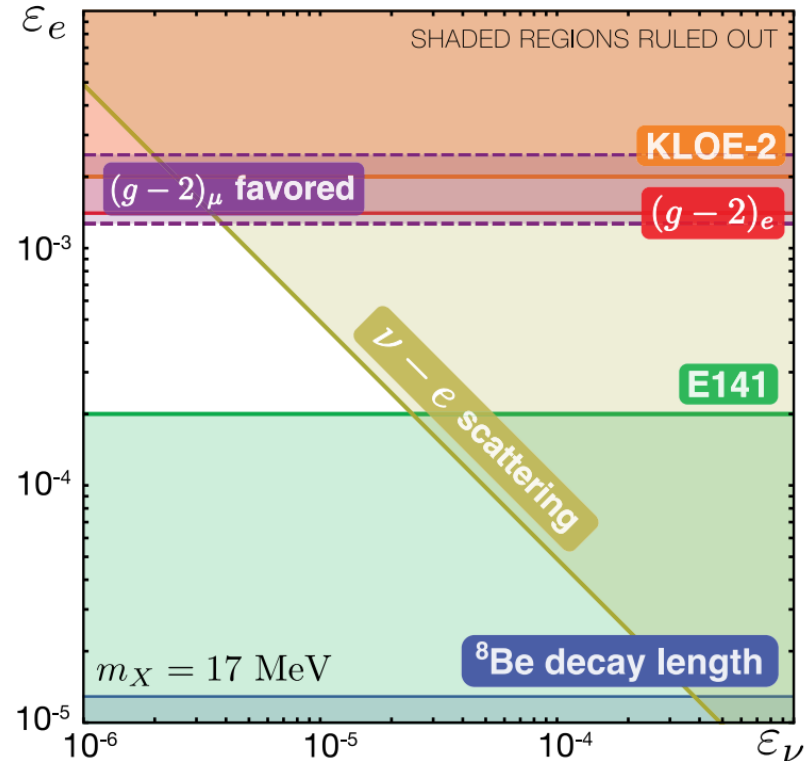
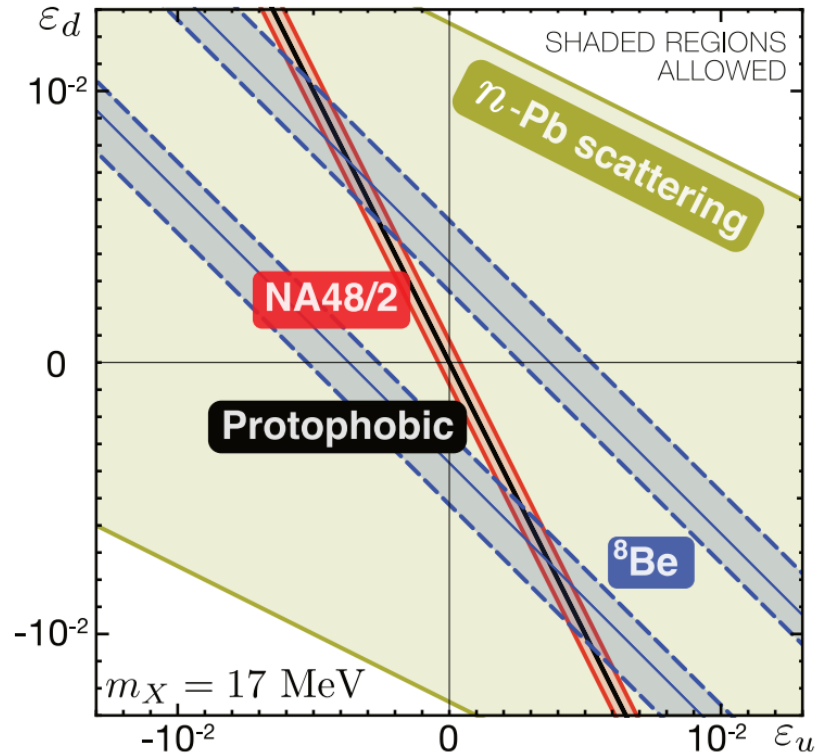
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Recently a 6.8σ anomaly has been reported in the opening angle and invariant mass distributions of e^+e^- pairs produced in ${}^8\text{Be}$ nuclear transitions. The data are explained by a 17 MeV vector gauge boson X that is produced in the decay of an excited state to the ground state, ${}^8\text{Be}^* \rightarrow {}^8\text{Be} X$, and then decays through $X \rightarrow e^+e^-$. The X boson mediates a fifth force with a characteristic range of 12 fm and has millicharged couplings to up and down quarks and electrons, and a proton coupling that is suppressed relative to neutrons. The protophobic X boson may also alleviate the current 3.6σ discrepancy between the predicted and measured values of the muon's anomalous magnetic moment.

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The ATOMKI anomalies



X(17)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}X_{\mu\nu}X^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_X^2X_\mu X^\mu - X^\mu J_\mu$$

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$$\varepsilon_p = 2\varepsilon_u + \varepsilon_d$$

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Required charges to explain the Be-8 anomaly; taken from arXiv:1604.07411 [hep-ph].

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The 6.8σ anomaly in excited ${}^8\text{Be}$ nuclear decays via internal pair creation is fit well by a new particle interpretation. In a previous analysis, we showed that a 17 MeV protophobic gauge boson provides a particle physics explanation of the anomaly consistent with all existing constraints. Here we begin with a review of the physics of internal pair creation in ${}^8\text{Be}$ decays and the characteristics of the observed anomaly. To develop its particle interpretation, we provide an effective operator analysis for excited ${}^8\text{Be}$ decays to particles with a variety of spins and parities and show that these considerations exclude simple models with scalar particles. We discuss the required couplings for a gauge boson to give the observed signal, highlighting the significant dependence on the precise mass of the boson and isospin mixing and breaking effects. We present anomaly-free extensions of the Standard Model that contain protophobic gauge bosons with the desired couplings to explain the ${}^8\text{Be}$ anomaly. In the first model, the new force carrier is a $U(1)_B$ gauge boson that kinetically mixes with the photon; in the second model, it is a $U(1)_{B-L}$ gauge boson with a similar kinetic mixing. In both cases, the models predict relatively large charged lepton couplings ~ 0.001 that can resolve the discrepancy in the muon anomalous magnetic moment and are amenable to many experimental probes. The models also contain vectorlike leptons at the weak scale that may be accessible to near future LHC searches.

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Majorana neutrinos

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{lepton}} = & -y_l^{ij} \bar{l}_{iL} \Phi e_{jR} - y_\nu^{ij} \bar{l}_{iL} \tilde{\Phi} N_{jR} - \frac{1}{2} y_M^{ij} S \bar{N}_{iR}^c N_{jR} - \lambda_L^{ij} S^* \bar{l}_{iL} L_{jR} - \lambda_E^{ij} S \bar{E}_{iL} e_{jR} \\ & - M_L^{ij} \bar{L}_{iL} L_{jR} - M_E^{ij} \bar{E}_{iL} E_{jR} - h^{ij} \bar{L}_{iL} \Phi E_{jR} - k^{ij} \bar{E}_{iL} \Phi^\dagger L_{jR} + \text{H.c.}, \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{c.l.}} = \bar{\psi}_L^\ell \mathcal{M}_\ell \psi_R^\ell + \text{H.c.}, \quad \psi_{L,R}^\ell = (e_{L,R}, \quad \mathcal{E}_{L,R}, \quad E_{L,R})^T, \quad \mathcal{M}_\ell = \begin{pmatrix} y_l \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} & \lambda_L \frac{w}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & M_L & h \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \lambda_E \frac{w}{\sqrt{2}} & k \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} & M_E \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{n.l.}} = \overline{\psi_L^{\nu c}} \mathcal{M}_\nu \psi_L^\nu + \text{H.c.}, \quad \psi_L^\nu = (\nu, \quad N^c, \quad \mathcal{N}, \quad \mathcal{N}^c)_L^T, \quad \mathcal{M}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & y_\nu \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \lambda_L \frac{w}{\sqrt{2}} \\ y_\nu \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} & y_M \frac{w}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M_L \\ \lambda_L \frac{w}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & M_L & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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The mixing is not constrained by
Z-pole measurements!

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Adding VLLs

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Adding VLLs

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	$l_{iL} = (\nu_{iL}, e_{iL})^T$	1	2	-1/2	-1	
	e_{iR}	1	1	-1	-1	
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$$\delta_e = 1 - |(U_\nu)_{11}|^2 \lesssim 0.04$$

$$\Rightarrow \Lambda_L^2 \lesssim 1/24$$

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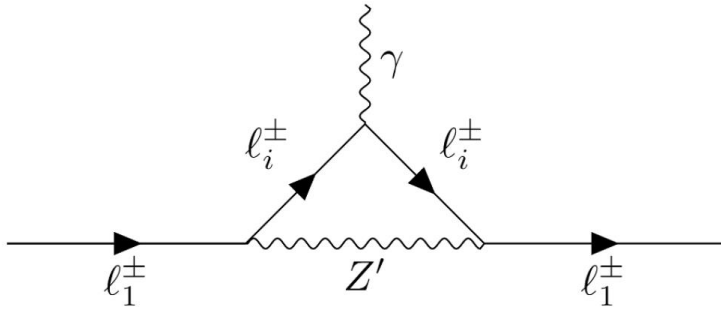
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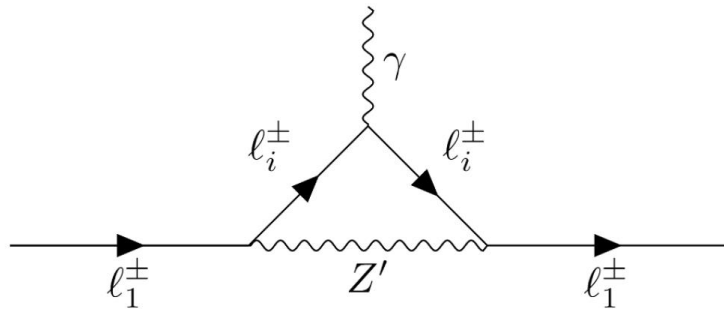
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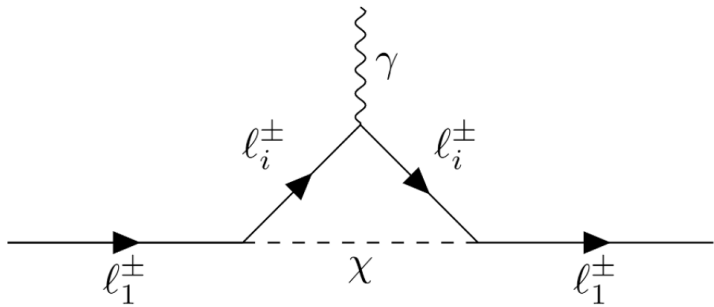
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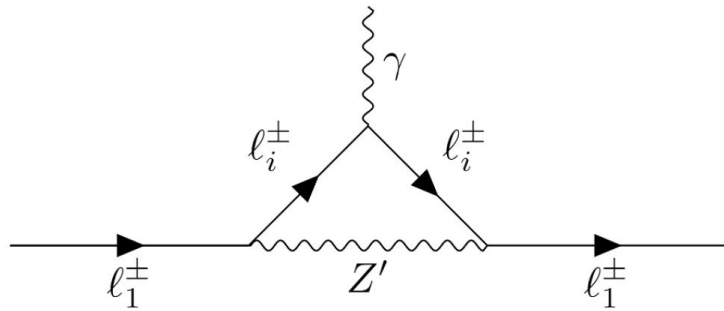


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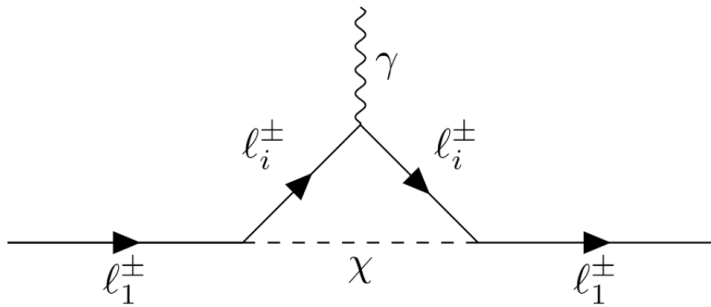
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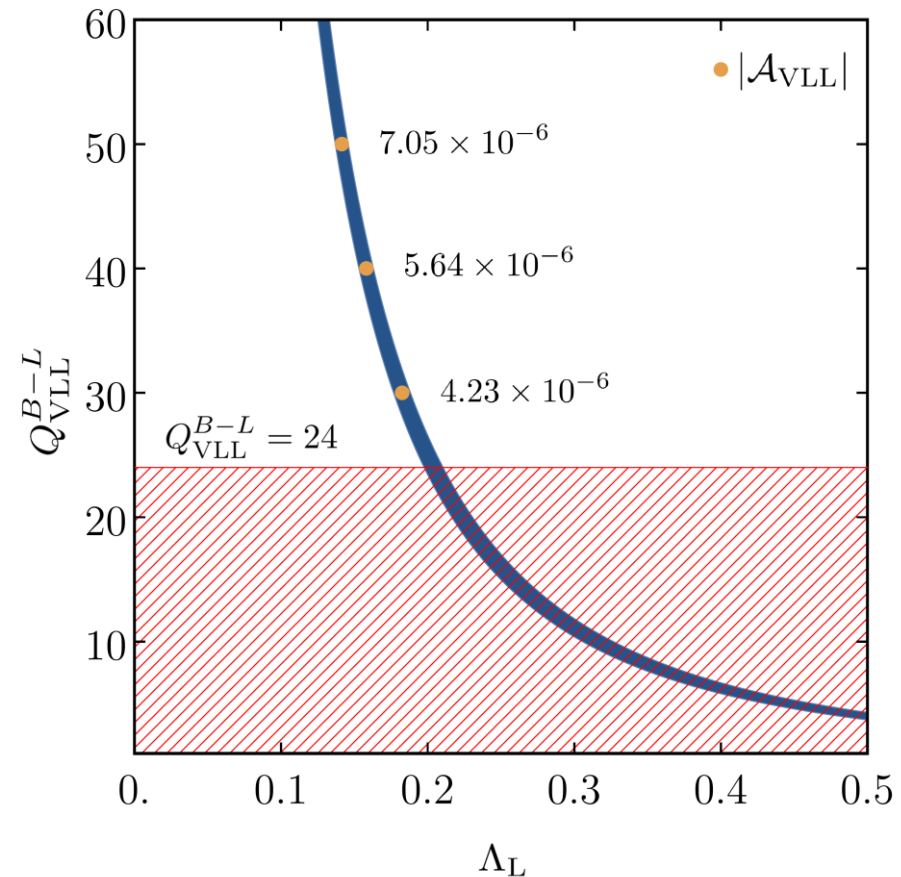
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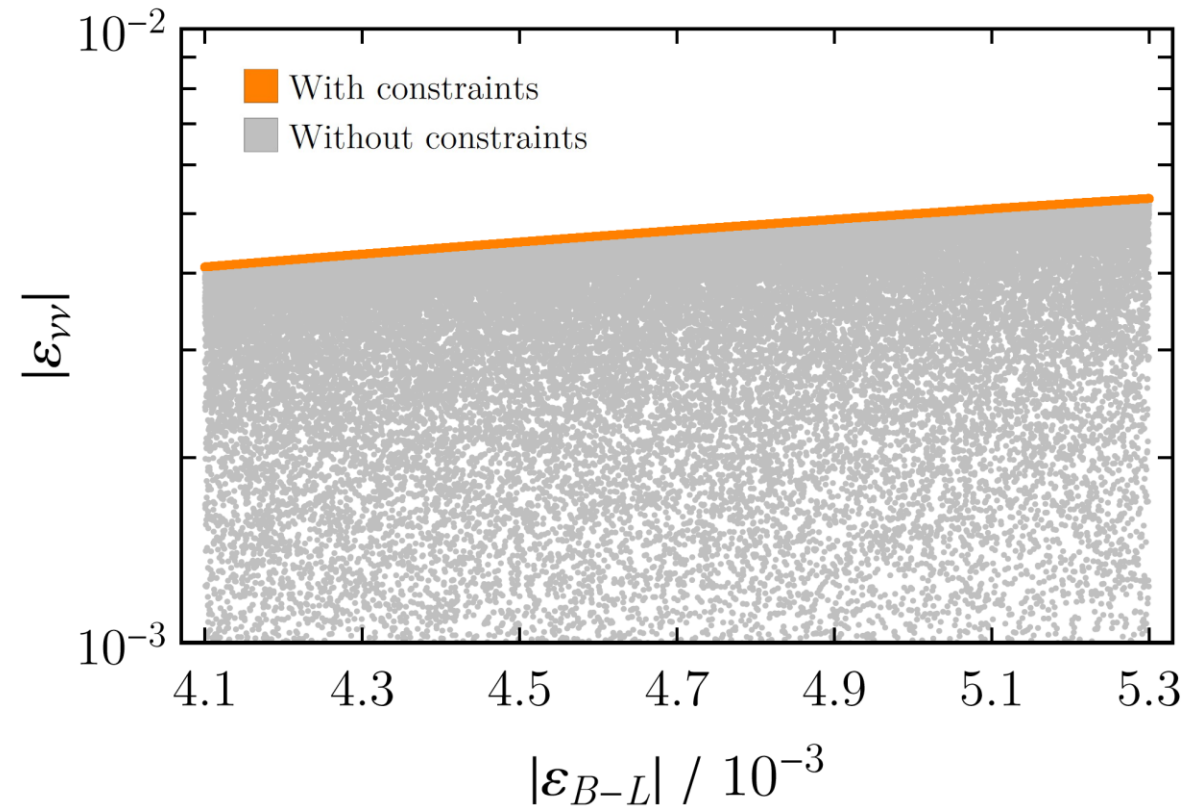
Dominant contribution to muon's $g-2$ in the region of neutrino coupling suppression, considering

$$\varepsilon_{B-L} = 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

Long story short

- ✓ The $B-L$ solution was one of the first solutions to the ATOMKI anomalies
- ✓ The vanilla scenario does not account for the neutrino coupling suppression
- ✓ Adding VLLs with $B-L$ charge of 1 allows for that suppression, but requires large mixing
- ✓ Large mixing is in tension with experimental data (Higgs couplings, non-unitarity constraints on the neutrino sector)
- ✓ Large $B-L$ charges allow for small mixing
- ✓ However, large charges lead to large and negative muon's $g-2$!

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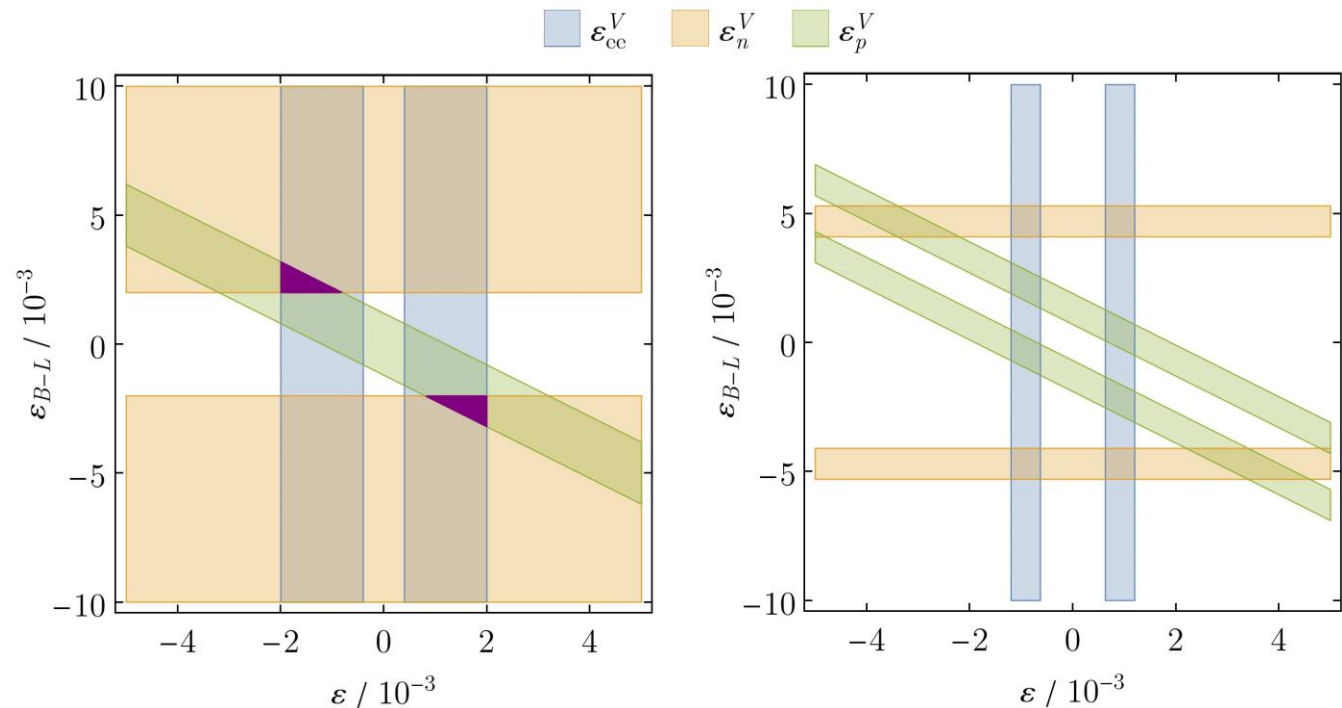
Numerical study for the large mixing scenario

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Perturbativity problems in the small mixing scenario

$$Q_{\text{VLL}}^{B-L} \simeq \frac{1}{\Lambda_L^2} \simeq (57 - 95) \left(\frac{M_L}{130 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{4\pi}}{\lambda_L} \right)^2$$

Tension in the allowed regions for the couplings in the small mixing scenario



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Small mixing in the scalar sector

$$\lambda_1 \simeq m_h^2/v^2$$

$$\lambda_2 \simeq m_\chi^2/w^2$$

Unitarity bound

$$\frac{3}{2} \frac{m_h^2}{v^2} + \frac{m_\chi^2}{w^2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{2} \frac{m_h^2}{v^2} + \frac{m_\chi^2}{w^2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m_\chi^2}{w^2}\right)^2} \leq 8\pi, \quad w^{-2} = \frac{4e^2 \varepsilon_{B-L}^2}{m_{Z'}^2}$$

Mass bound

$$\varepsilon_{B-L} = 2 \times 10^{-3}$$



$$m_\chi \lesssim 45 \text{ GeV}$$

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Loop functions

$$F_{Z'}(x) = \frac{5x^4 - 14x^3 + 39x^2 - 38x + 8 - 18x^2 \log x}{12(1-x)^4}$$

$$G_{Z'}(x) = -\frac{x^3 + 3x - 4 - 6x \log x}{2(1-x)^3}$$

$$F_{\chi}(x) = \frac{x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x + 2 + 6x \log x}{6(1-x)^4}$$