

# Bottom-up perspective on baryon number violation

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# Experimental evidence for BSM physics and many theories

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String theory

GUTs

Extra dimensions

Many viable BSM paths...  
How to choose?

SUSY



Effective field theory

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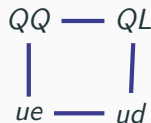
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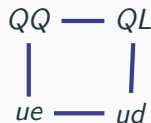
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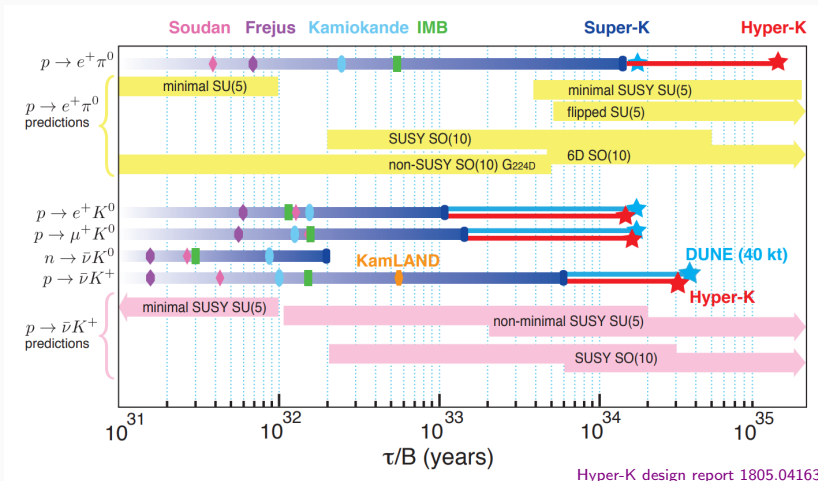


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# Experimental sensitivities

$$\Gamma_{p \rightarrow X} \sim \Lambda^{-4}$$



Hyper-K design report 1805.04163

BNV nucleon decay could be the next big discovery

## **BNV nucleon decays at tree level**

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# Effective field theory framework

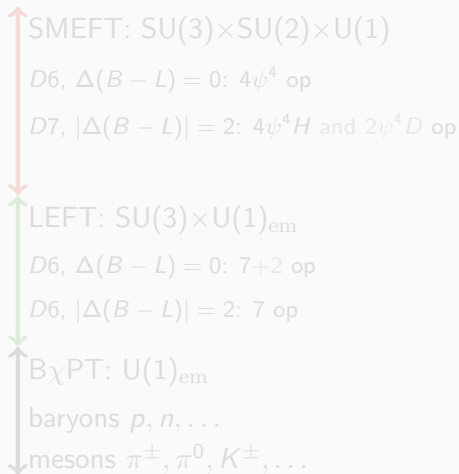
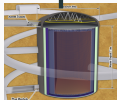
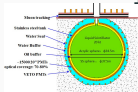


$\Lambda$  - BNV



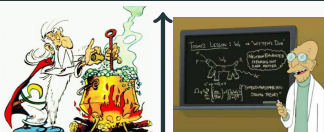
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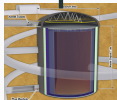
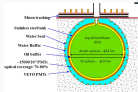
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Separation of scales



Effective operators

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^{d_i-4}} \mathcal{O}_i + \dots$$

SMEFT:  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$

$D6, \Delta(B-L) = 0$ :  $4\psi^4$  op

$D7, |\Delta(B-L)| = 2$ :  $4\psi^4 H$  and  $2\psi^4 D$  op

LEFT:  $SU(3) \times U(1)_{em}$

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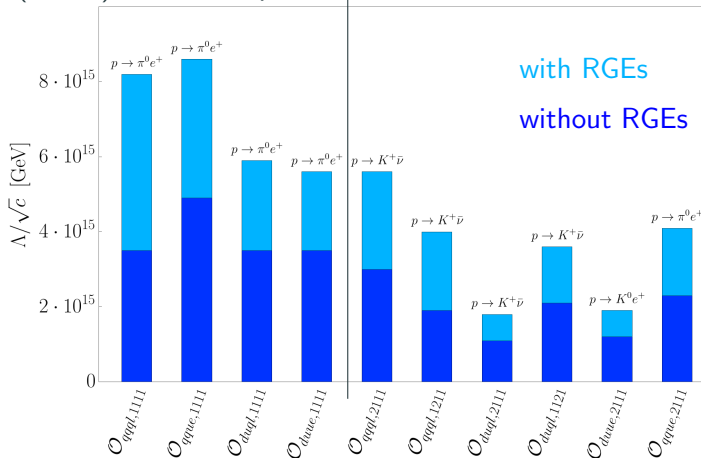
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baryons  $p, n, \dots$

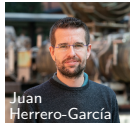
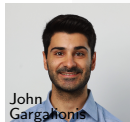
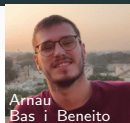
mesons  $\pi^\pm, \pi^0, K^\pm, \dots$

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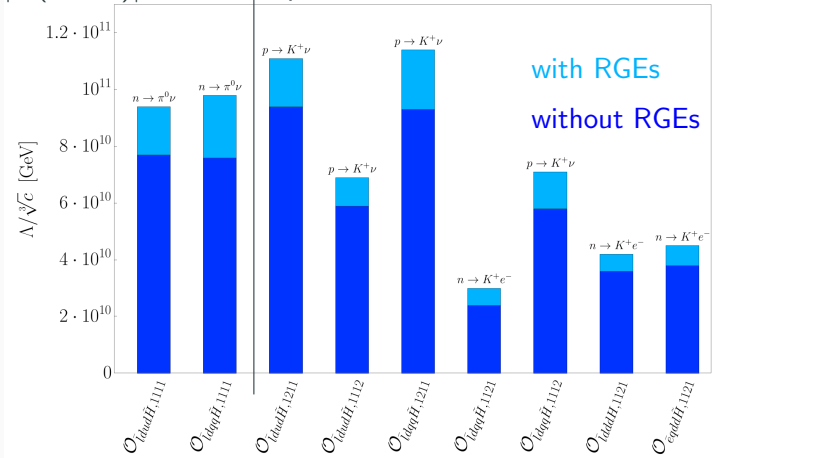


- RGE dominated by gauge interactions [see Abbott, Wise PRD22 \(1980\) 2208](#)
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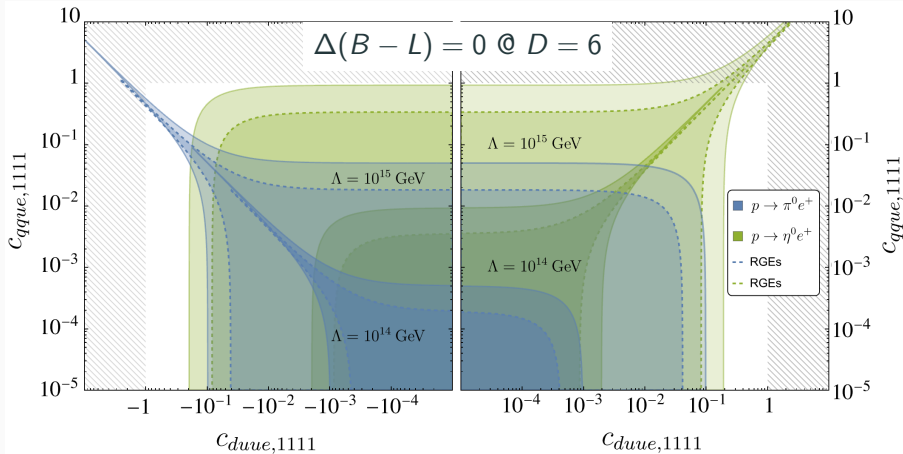
# Single-operator dominance at $D = 7$ : Lower limits — RGE

$|\Delta(B - L)| = 2$  BNV operators at  $D = 7$



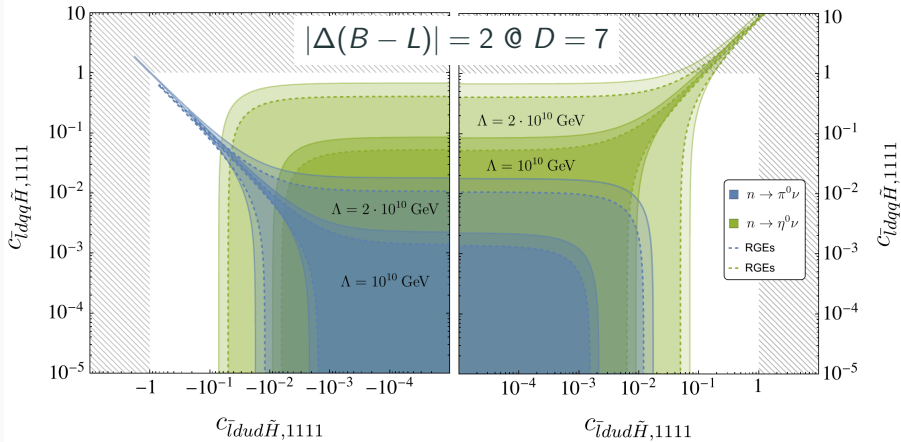
- Top quark Yukawa relevant for Higgs wave function renormalization
- $16\pi^2 \mu \frac{dc}{d\mu} = (-4g_3^2 + y_t^2)c + \dots \Rightarrow 1.2 - 1.3$  enhancement
- strongest lower limit on scale  $\Lambda/c^{3/2} \gtrsim 2 \cdot 10^{10}$  GeV

# Two non-zero Wilson coefficients — complementarity



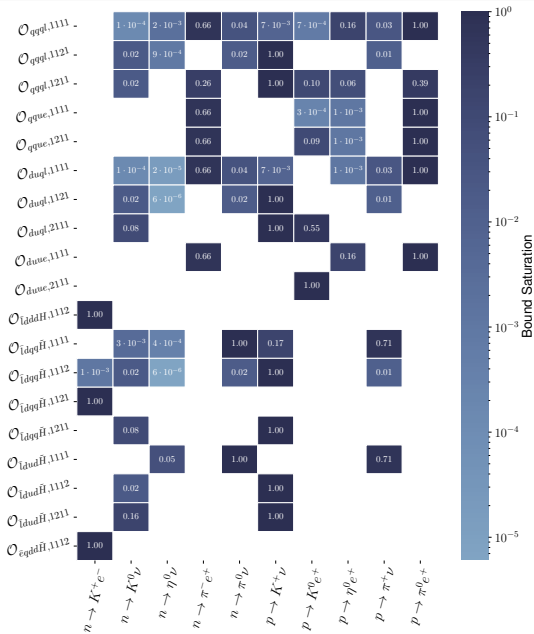
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# Pinning down origin of baryon number violation



## Bound Saturation

$$= \frac{\Gamma_{i,\text{th}}/\Gamma_{i,\text{exp}}}{\Gamma_{\text{max,th}}/\Gamma_{\text{max,exp}}}$$

- $p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$ ,  $p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$ ,  
 $n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$  most  
 constraining  
 $\tau_{p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+} > 24 \cdot 10^{33} \text{y}$ ,  
 $\tau_{p \rightarrow K^+ \nu} > 6.61 \cdot 10^{33} \text{y}$ ,  
 $\tau_{n \rightarrow K^+ e^-} > 0.032 \cdot 10^{33} \text{y}$
- some operators dominated by one decay
- several positive signals may allow to exclude/determine if single-operator dominates

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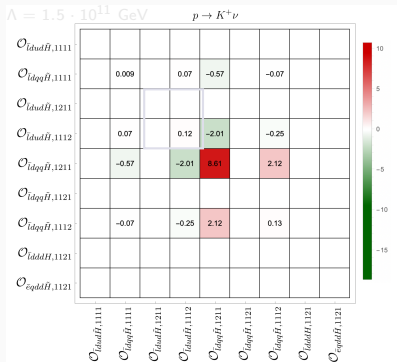
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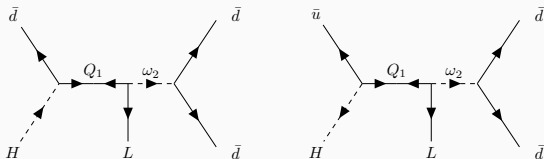
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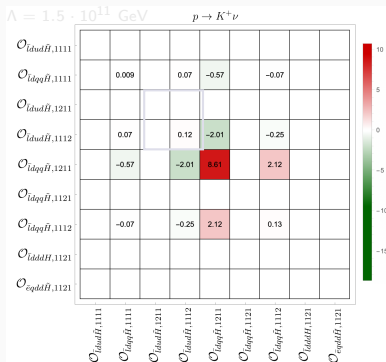
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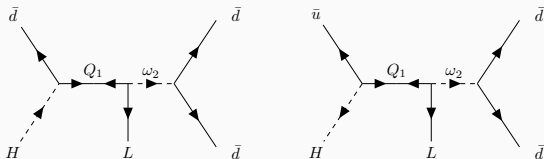
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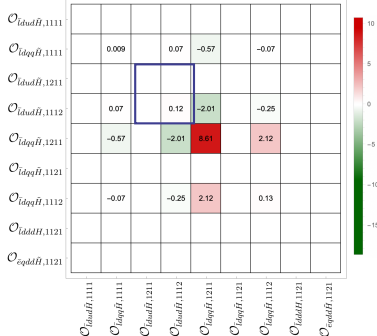
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## Summary of first part

- Depending on symmetries, dominant contribution from  $D = 6$  operators  $\Delta(B - L) = 0$  or  $D = 7$  operators for  $|\Delta(B - L)| = 2$
- RG corrections are important: limits on scale enhanced by 1.3 – 2.3 [ $D = 6$ ] and 1.2 – 1.3 [ $D = 7$ ]
- It is important to search for many different decay modes.
  - Complementary constraints exclude flat directions in parameter space (explicitly demonstrated for 2-body decay modes like  $p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+, \eta e^+$ ).
  - Several positive signals may allow to determine origin of baryon number violation.
- Caveat: Nuclear matrix element uncertainty.

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⇒ need predictions for loop-induced nucleon decay.

# Model-independent estimates for loop-induced nucleon decay

goal: stay as model-independent as possible

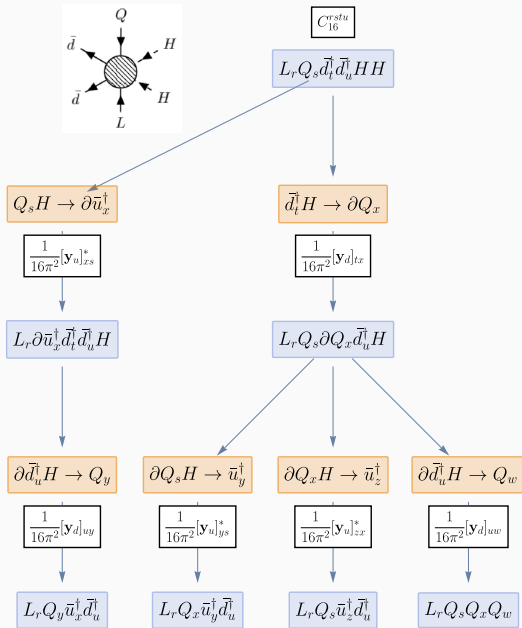
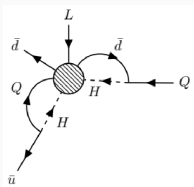
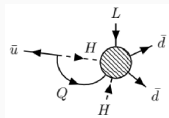
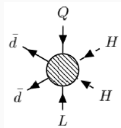
- order of magnitude estimate is often enough
- consider tree-induced  $D = 8$  and  $D = 9$  BNV *types of operators* Fonseca [1907.12584] or *field strings*
- idea: estimate loop-induced  $D = 6$  ( $D = 7$ ) BNV SMEFT Wilson coefficients which are also induced in underlying UV model by closing off the tree-induced  $D = 8$  ( $D = 9$ ) operator in every possible way
- calculate BNV nucleon decay induced by the  $D = 6$  and  $D = 7$  operators following the standard procedure
- nuclear matrix elements using direct lattice method  
no RGE included



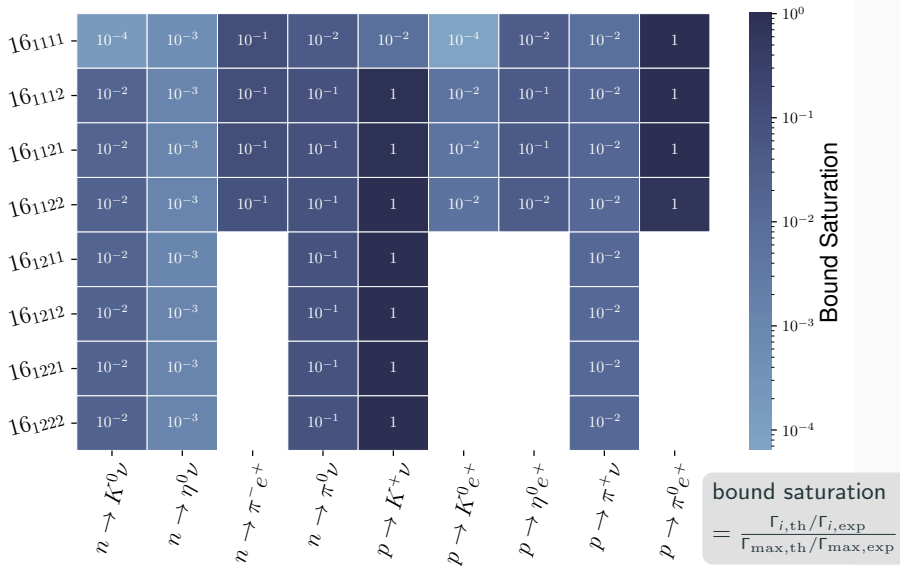
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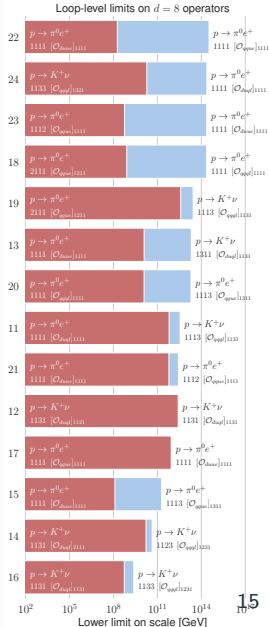


# Example $\mathcal{O}_{16} = LQ\bar{d}^\dagger\bar{d}^\dagger HH$ — correlations



# Results for UV models with tree-induced $D = 8$ BNV operators

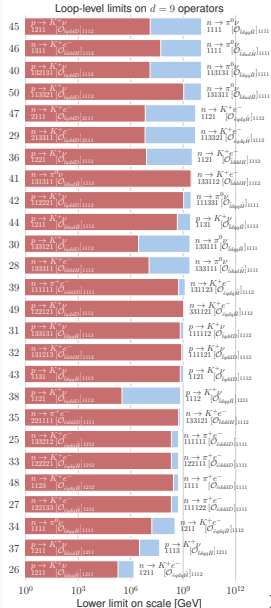
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Dimension 8					
11	$DLQ\bar{Q}\bar{d}^\dagger H$	$C_{qqql}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} V_{ru}^* (y_d) u' C_{11}^{spqu'}$	1131	$4 \cdot 10^{12}$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
12	$DL\bar{u}^\dagger \bar{d}^\dagger \bar{d}^\dagger H$	$C_{duql}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} V_{rt}^* (y_d) t' C_{12}^{sqt'p}$	1131	$3 \cdot 10^{12}$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
13	$DL\bar{u}^\dagger \bar{u}^\dagger \bar{d}^\dagger H^\dagger$	$C_{duql}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (y_u) r C_{13}^{srqp}$	1131	$2 \cdot 10^{13}$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
14	$LQ\bar{u}^\dagger \bar{u}^\dagger H^\dagger H^\dagger$	$C_{qqql}^{pqrs} = \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2}\right)^2 (y_u)^q (y_u)^r C_{14}^{spqr}$	1231	$4 \cdot 10^{10}$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
15	$\bar{e}^\dagger Q\bar{Q}\bar{u}^\dagger H H$	$C_{qque}^{pqrs} = \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2}\right)^2 V_{pu}^* (y_d) u' (y_u)^p C_{15}^{qrsu'}$	1311	$2 \cdot 10^{11}$	$p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$
16	$LQ\bar{d}^\dagger \bar{d}^\dagger H H$	$C_{qqql}^{pqrs} = \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2}\right)^2 V_{qt}^* V_{ru}^* (y_d) t' (y_d) u' C_{16}^{spt'u'}$	1231	$2 \cdot 10^9$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
17	$D\bar{e}^\dagger Q\bar{u}^\dagger \bar{u}^\dagger H^\dagger$	$C_{duue}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} V_{s'p}^* (y_d)^p C_{17}^{s's'qr}$	1111	$9 \cdot 10^{11}$	$p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$
18	$LQQQH H^\dagger$	$C_{qqql}^{pqrs} = \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) C_{18}^{spqr}$	1111	$2 \cdot 10^{14}$	$p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$
19	$DLQ\bar{Q}\bar{u}^\dagger H^\dagger$	$C_{qqql}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (y_u)^r C_{19}^{spqr}$	1131	$3 \cdot 10^{13}$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
20	$D\bar{e}^\dagger Q\bar{Q}QH$	$C_{qque}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (y_u)^p C_{20}^{qrsp}$	1311	$2 \cdot 10^{13}$	$p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$
21	$D\bar{e}^\dagger Q\bar{u}^\dagger \bar{d}^\dagger H$	$C_{qque}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} V_{su}^* (y_d) u' C_{21}^{qrp'u'}$	1111	$3 \cdot 10^{12}$	$p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$
22	$\bar{e}^\dagger Q\bar{Q}\bar{u}^\dagger H H^\dagger$	$C_{qque}^{pqrs} = \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) C_{22}^{qrsp}$	1111	$3 \cdot 10^{14}$	$p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$
23	$\bar{e}^\dagger \bar{u}^\dagger \bar{u}^\dagger \bar{d}^\dagger H H^\dagger$	$C_{duue}^{pqrs} = \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) C_{23}^{sqrp}$	1111	$2 \cdot 10^{14}$	$p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$
24	$LQ\bar{u}^\dagger \bar{d}^\dagger H H^\dagger$	$C_{duql}^{pqrs} = \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) C_{24}^{srqp}$	1111	$2 \cdot 10^{14}$	$p \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+$



- blue most stringent limit
- red least constraining  $D = 6$  operator
- results will be publicly available as pandas DataFrames, including intermediate steps in matching

# Results for UV models with tree-induced $D = 9$ BNV operators

#	Operator	Matching estimate	$pqrs$	$\Lambda$ [GeV]	Process
Dimension 9					
25	$\bar{e}^i \bar{e}^j \bar{e} \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{\bar{e} \bar{e} \bar{e} \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} C_{25}^{s'pr'qrs}$	1111	$5 \cdot 10^8$	$n \rightarrow \pi^+ e^-$
26	$\bar{e}^i Q^j Q^i Q^j H H H$	$C_{\bar{e} Q Q Q H H H}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{(16\pi^2)^2} V_{s'r} V_{l's}^r (Y_d)^r C_{26}^{ps^i t'q}$	1112	$2 \cdot 10^6$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
27	$\bar{e}^i \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{\bar{e} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} C_{27}^{qprsu'w}$	1111	$5 \cdot 10^8$	$n \rightarrow \pi^+ e^-$
28	$L L \bar{e} \bar{u} \bar{d}$	$C_{L L \bar{e} \bar{u} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_e)^i C_{28}^{p'q'rt'rs}$	1111	$2 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu$
29	$\bar{e}^i Q^j Q^i \bar{u}^k \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{\bar{e} Q Q \bar{u} \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_u)^i C_{29}^{ps^i u'v'rs}$	1112	$5 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
30	$L L \bar{e} Q^i Q^i \bar{d}$	$C_{L L \bar{e} Q Q \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_e)^i C_{30}^{t'q'rt'rsq}$	1111	$2 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu$
31	$L L L^i Q^j \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{L L L^i Q^j \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} C_{31}^{s'p't'qrs}$	1112	$1 \cdot 10^9$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
32	$L Q^i \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{L Q^i \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} C_{32}^{s'p'q'u'rsu'}$	1112	$1 \cdot 10^9$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
33	$\bar{e}^i \bar{u}^j \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{\bar{e} \bar{u} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} C_{33}^{p'q't'qrs}$	1111	$5 \cdot 10^8$	$n \rightarrow \pi^+ e^-$
34	$D \bar{e}^i Q^j Q^i \bar{d} H H$	$C_{D \bar{e} Q Q \bar{d} H H}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} V_{s's}^i (Y_d)^s C_{34}^{ps^i q'r}$	1112	$3 \cdot 10^8$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
35	$L L^i \bar{e}^j \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{L L^i \bar{e} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_e)^i C_{35}^{p'q'rt'qrs}$	1112	$7 \cdot 10^8$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
36	$L \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d} H^i H^i H$	$C_{L \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d} H^i H^i H}^{pqrs} = \left( \frac{1}{16\pi^2} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) C_{36}^{qprsu'}$	1112	$3 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
37	$L Q^i Q^j \bar{u} H H H$	$C_{L Q^i Q^j \bar{u} H H H}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{(16\pi^2)^2} V_{u'q} (Y_d)^q (Y_u)^i C_{37}^{ps^i r'u'}$	1211	$5 \cdot 10^7$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
38	$D L Q^i Q^i \bar{u} H H$	$C_{D L Q^i Q^i \bar{u} H H}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} V_{s'q} (Y_d)^q C_{38}^{ps^i r's}$	1211	$7 \cdot 10^8$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
39	$\bar{e}^i Q Q^i \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{\bar{e} Q Q^i \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} V_{s'u}^i (Y_d)^i C_{39}^{ps^i q'u'rs}$	1112	$1 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
40	$L Q^i Q^i Q^j \bar{u}^k \bar{d}$	$C_{L Q^i Q^i Q^j \bar{u}^k \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_u)^i C_{40}^{p'q'r'u'q}$	1111	$1 \cdot 10^{10}$	$n \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu$
41	$L Q \bar{u} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{L Q \bar{u} \bar{d} \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_u)^i C_{41}^{p'q'rt'qrs}$	1112	$3 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
42	$L Q^i Q^j Q^i \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{L Q^i Q^j Q^i \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} V_{u'v'} (Y_d)^i C_{42}^{ps^i s'v'q}$	1111	$3 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu$
43	$D L Q^i \bar{d} \bar{d} H H^i$	$C_{D L Q^i \bar{d} \bar{d} H H^i}^{pqrs} = \left( \frac{1}{16\pi^2} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) C_{43}^{qprsq}$	1112	$1 \cdot 10^9$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
44	$D L Q^i \bar{u} \bar{d} H H$	$C_{D L Q^i \bar{u} \bar{d} H H}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_u)^i C_{44}^{ps^i r'q}$	1113	$3 \cdot 10^9$	$p \rightarrow K^+ \nu$
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47	$\bar{e}^i Q^j \bar{d} \bar{d} H H H^i$	$C_{\bar{e} Q^j \bar{d} \bar{d} H H H^i}^{pqrs} = \left( \frac{1}{16\pi^2} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) C_{47}^{p'rsq}$	1112	$5 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
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49	$L \bar{e} \bar{e}^i Q^j \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{L \bar{e} \bar{e}^i Q^j \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_e)^i C_{49}^{s'p'q'rs}$	1112	$1 \cdot 10^9$	$n \rightarrow K^+ e^-$
50	$L Q^i \bar{u} \bar{u}^j \bar{d} \bar{d}$	$C_{L Q^i \bar{u} \bar{u}^j \bar{d} \bar{d}}^{pqrs} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (Y_u)^i C_{50}^{ps^i r'u'q's}$	1111	$1 \cdot 10^{10}$	$n \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu$



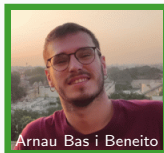
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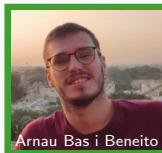
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