

# LFV and EDM

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# Introduction

Lepton flavour violation is a **very powerful tool** to probe physics beyond the Standard Model.

In the Standard Model

$$U(3)_{e_R} \times U(3)_L \longrightarrow U(1)_e \times U(1)_\mu \times U(1)_\tau$$

 Charged lepton masses

Family lepton numbers and total lepton number are strictly conserved.

Consistent with experiments searching for neutrinoless double beta decay and rare lepton decays, but not with neutrino oscillation experiments.

In the Standard Model **with massive neutrinos**

$$U(3)_{e_R} \times U(3)_L \longrightarrow U(1)_{\text{lep}} \quad \text{Dirac Mass}$$

$$U(3)_{e_R} \times U(3)_L \longrightarrow \text{nothing} \quad \text{Majorana Mass}$$

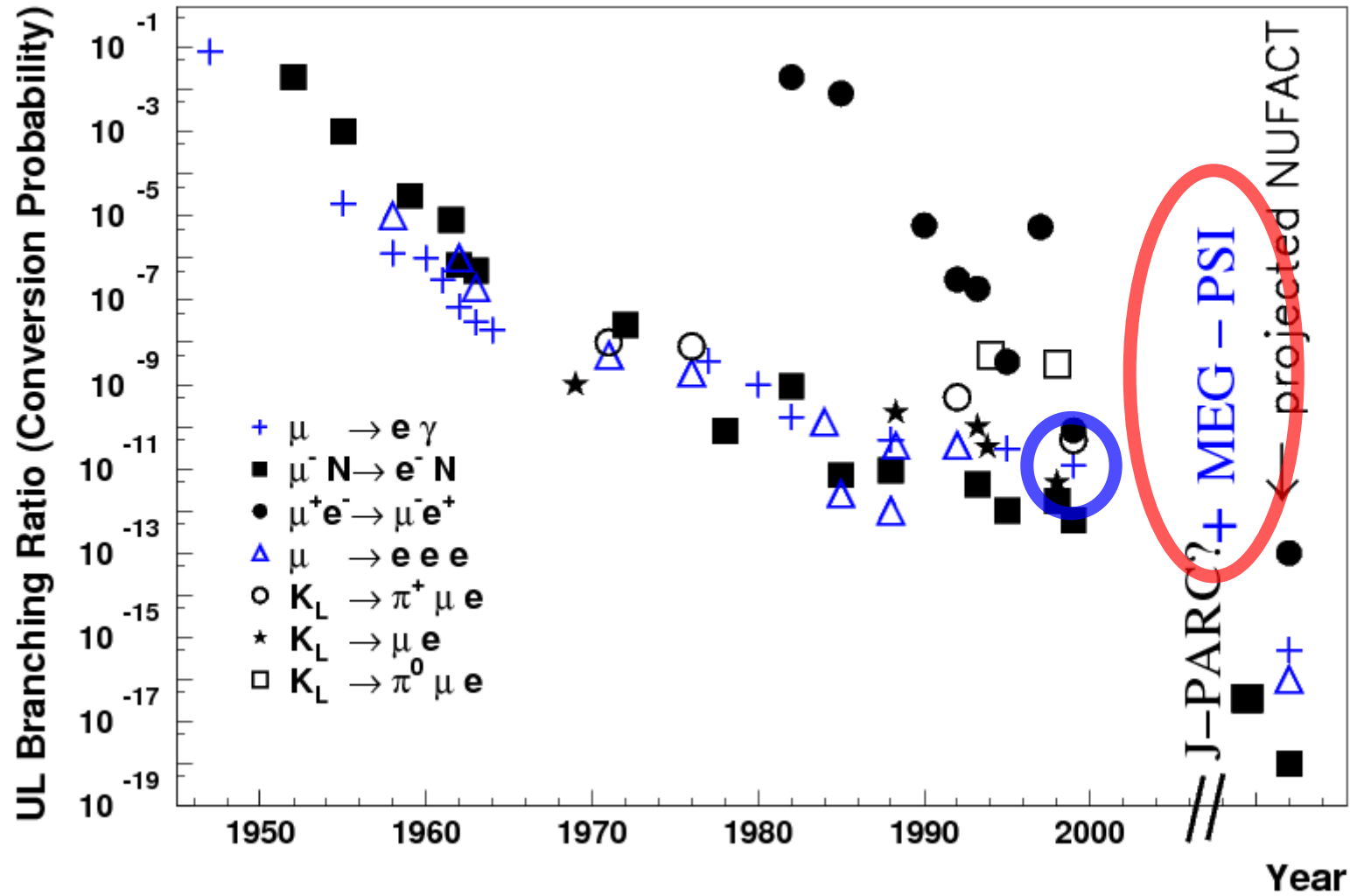
LFV already discovered! Next challenge: discover LFV in the **charged lepton sector**

The predictions for the rare lepton decays are

$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma) \simeq 10^{-57}, \quad \text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma) \simeq 10^{-54}, \quad \text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e \gamma) \simeq 10^{-57},$$

Well consistent with experiments searching for rare (charged) lepton decays.

# Searches for Lepton Number Violation



Äystö et al.

# Bounds on new physics from $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$

Lowest dimension operator which induces  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$

$$-\mathcal{L} = m_\mu \bar{\mu} (f_{M1}^{\mu e} + \gamma_5 f_{E1}^{\mu e}) \sigma^{\mu\nu} e F_{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$$

The rate for the rare muon decay is:

$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = \frac{96\pi^3\alpha}{G_F^2} (|f_{E1}^{\mu e}|^2 + |f_{M1}^{\mu e}|^2)$$

The present experimental bound  $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 1.2 \times 10^{-11}$  gives:

$$|f_{E1}^{\mu e}|, |f_{M1}^{\mu e}| \lesssim 10^{-12} \text{GeV}^{-2}$$

Naively,

$$f^{\mu e} \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \longrightarrow \Lambda \gtrsim 300 \text{TeV}$$

In most models the contact interaction arises as a result of quantum effects (new particles interacting with the muon and the electron circulating in loops).

$$f^{\mu e} \sim \frac{\theta_{\mu e}^2 \alpha}{\Lambda^2}$$

Then, the present bound on  $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma)$  requires

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda \gtrsim 20 \text{TeV} & \quad \text{if} \quad \theta_{\mu e} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \theta_{\mu e} \lesssim 0.01 & \quad \text{if} \quad \Lambda \sim 300 \text{GeV} \end{aligned}$$

A large mass scale for the new particles and/or small coupling between the electron or muon with the new particles.

# Rare tau decays

Complementary probe of lepton flavour violation.

Until very recently, not as interesting as  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  for constraining models.

PDG 2004

$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma) \leq 2.7 \times 10^{-6} \quad \text{CL} = 90\%$$

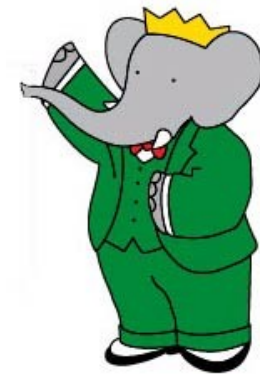
$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma) \leq 1.1 \times 10^{-6} \quad \text{CL} = 90\%$$

The experimental bound  $\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma) < 1.1 \times 10^{-6}$  yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda \gtrsim 800 \text{ GeV} & \quad \text{if } \theta_{\tau\mu} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \quad (\text{compare to 20 TeV!}) \\ \theta_{\tau\mu} \lesssim 0.3 & \quad \text{if } \Lambda \sim 300 \text{ GeV} \end{aligned}$$



# Impressive experimental progress in the last years!!



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$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma) \leq 3.9 \times 10^{-7} \quad \text{CL} = 90\%$$

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## PDG 2006

$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma) \leq 1.1 \times 10^{-7} \quad \text{CL} = 90\%$$

$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma) \leq 6.8 \times 10^{-8} \quad \text{CL} = 90\%$$

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$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma) \leq 1.1 \times 10^{-7} \quad \text{CL} = 90\%$$

$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma) \leq 4.5 \times 10^{-8} \quad \text{CL} = 90\%$$

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## Projected sensitivity of present B-factories

$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim 10^{-8}$$

$$\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma) \sim 10^{-8}$$

The present experimental bounds on the rare tau decays yield:

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{From } \tau \rightarrow e\gamma & \Lambda \gtrsim 1300\text{GeV} & \text{if} & \theta_{\tau e} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ & \theta_{\tau e} \lesssim 0.2 & \text{if} & \Lambda \sim 300\text{GeV} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{From } \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma & \Lambda \gtrsim 1700\text{GeV} & \text{if} & \theta_{\tau\mu} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ & \theta_{\tau\mu} \lesssim 0.1 & \text{if} & \Lambda \sim 300\text{GeV} \end{array}$$

fairly stringent constraints

# Other LFV processes

## Three body decays:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BR}(\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-) &< 1.0 \times 10^{-12} & \text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-) &< 3.6 \times 10^{-8} \\ \text{BR}(\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma \gamma) &< 7.2 \times 10^{-11} & \text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ \mu^-) &< 3.7 \times 10^{-8} \\ & & \text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^+ \mu^- \mu^-) &< 2.3 \times 10^{-8} \\ & & \text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+ e^-) &< 2.7 \times 10^{-8} \\ & & \text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ e^- e^-) &< 2.0 \times 10^{-8} \\ & & \text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-) &< 3.2 \times 10^{-8} \\ & & \text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \pi^+ \pi^-) &< 1.2 \times 10^{-7} \end{aligned}$$

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$\mu$ -e conversion in nuclei:  $\Gamma(\mu^- \text{Ti} \rightarrow e^- \text{Ti}) / \Gamma(\mu^- \text{Ti} \rightarrow \text{all}) < 4.3 \times 10^{-12}$

Rare K decays:  $\Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \mu e) / \Gamma(K_L \rightarrow \text{all}) < 4.7 \times 10^{-12}$   
 $\Gamma(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ e^- \mu^+) / \Gamma(K^+ \rightarrow \text{all}) < 1.3 \times 10^{-11}$

Rare Z boson decays:  $\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \mu e) < 1.7 \times 10^{-6}$   
 $\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \tau e) < 9.8 \times 10^{-6}$   
 $\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \tau \mu) < 1.2 \times 10^{-5}$

# Electric Dipole Moments

Electric Dipole Moments exist when parity (P) and time reversal (T) are violated (Landau'57). Weak interactions with CP violation can induce EDMs.

**Very strong experimental bounds:**

Present:  $d_e < 1.6 \cdot 10^{-27}$  e cm at 90% c.l.

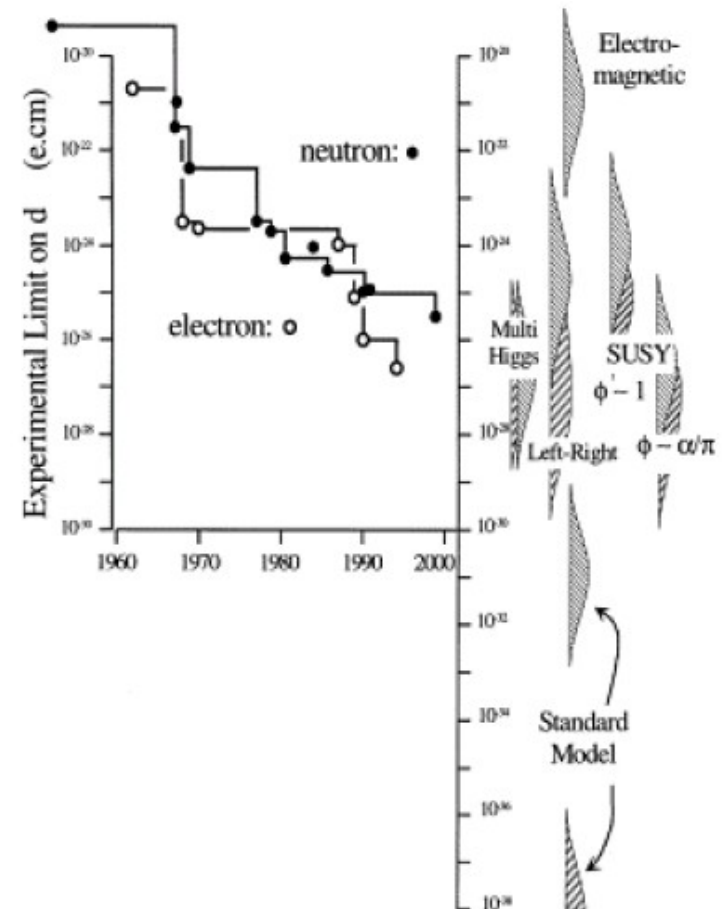
Regan et al. (Berkeley group)

Projected:  $d_e \lesssim 10^{-29}$  ( $10^{-31}$ ) e cm

De Mille et al. (Yale group)

$d_e \lesssim 10^{-35}$  e cm

Lamoreaux et al. (LANL group)

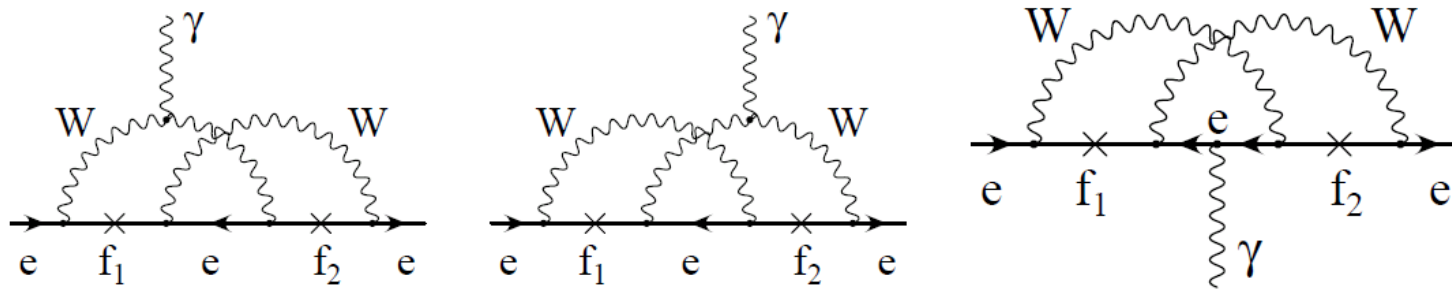


This effect is lepton number (and family lepton number) conserving, thus it could already appear in the Standard Model

- **It does indeed!** The CKM phase in the quark sector induces a lepton EDM at the four loop level

$$d_e \sim 10^{-38} \text{ e cm}$$

- If neutrinos are Majorana particles



$$d_e \sim \mathcal{O}(m_e m_\nu^2 G_F^2) \sim 10^{-48} \text{ e cm}$$

- **Sensitivity of the electron EDM to new physics**

$$d_e \sim e \times \frac{m_e}{\Lambda^2} \sim 10^{-23} \text{ e cm} \times \left( \frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{\Lambda} \right)^2 \Rightarrow \Lambda \gtrsim 70 \text{ TeV} \quad (\text{for } \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ phases})$$



# Implications for Physics BSM

**DRAMATIC!** Many extensions of the Standard Model postulate new particles at the electroweak scale (hierarchy problem, “WIMP miracle”, cosmic ray anomalies...)

Recall: the present bound on  $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$  requires

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Very stringent constraints on models. Or on the positive side, **detection might be around the corner.**

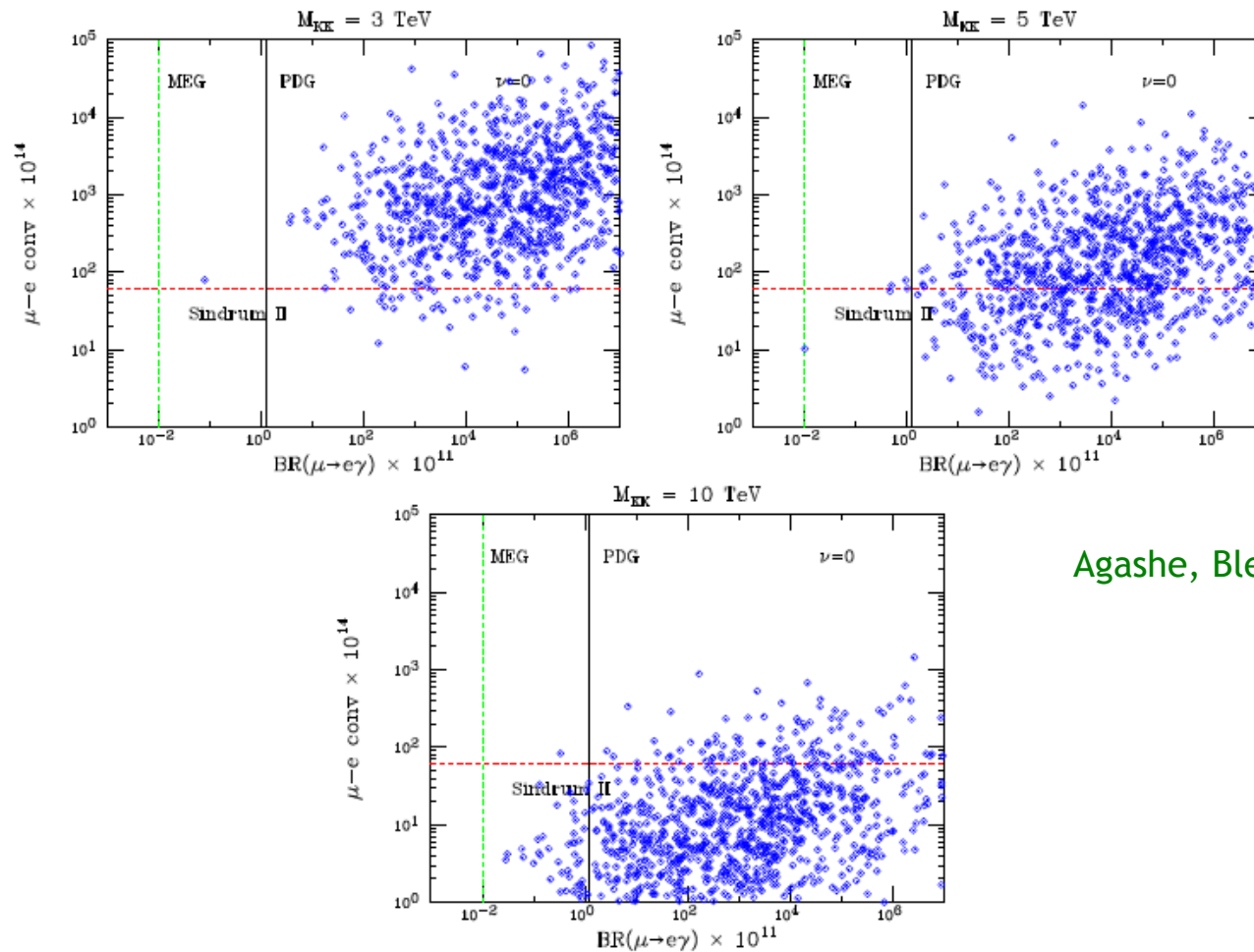
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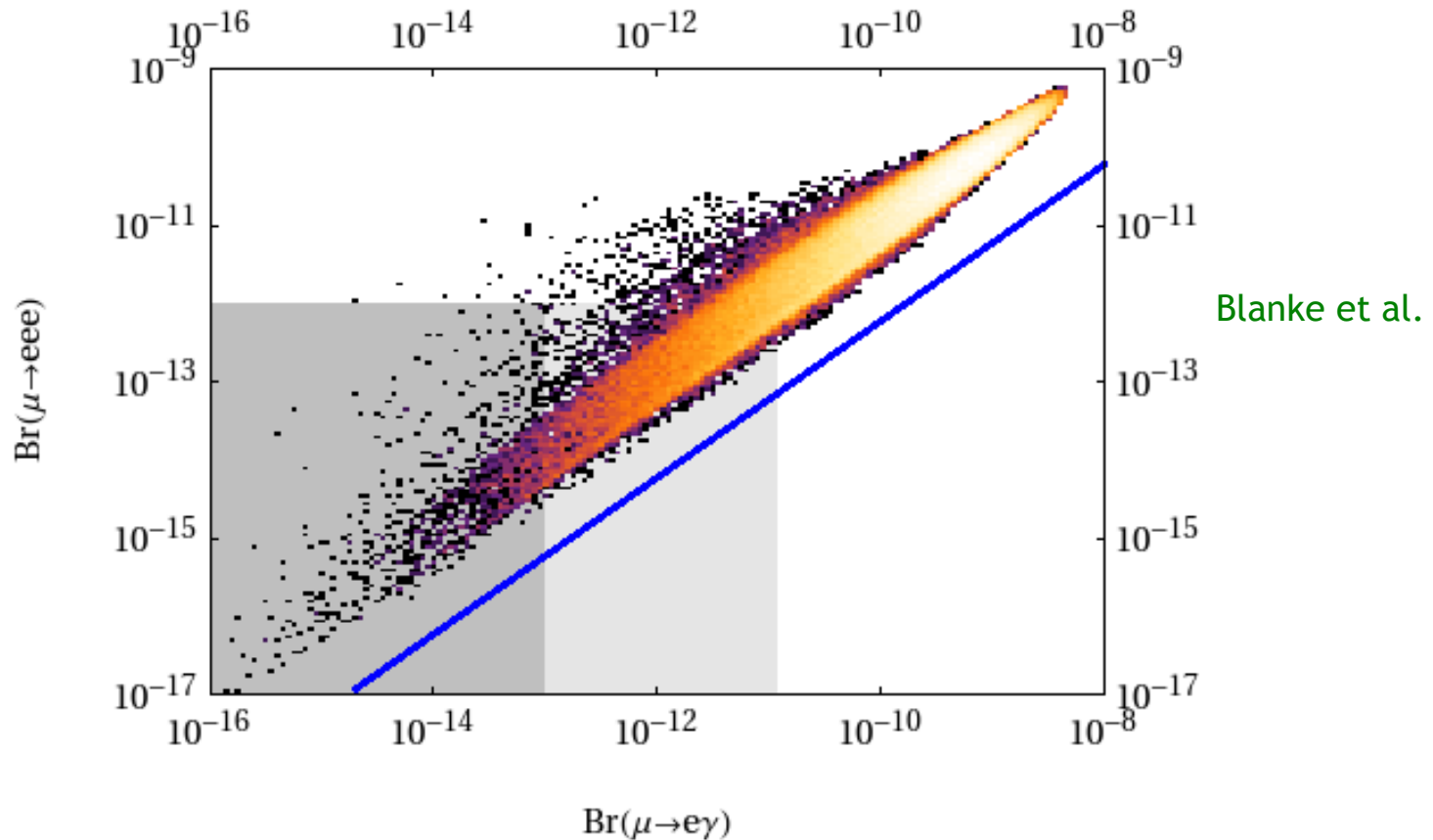


Agashe, Blechman, Petriello

“Anarchic” Randall-Sundrum model

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Mirror lepton masses between 300 GeV-1.5 TeV  
Generic angles and phases

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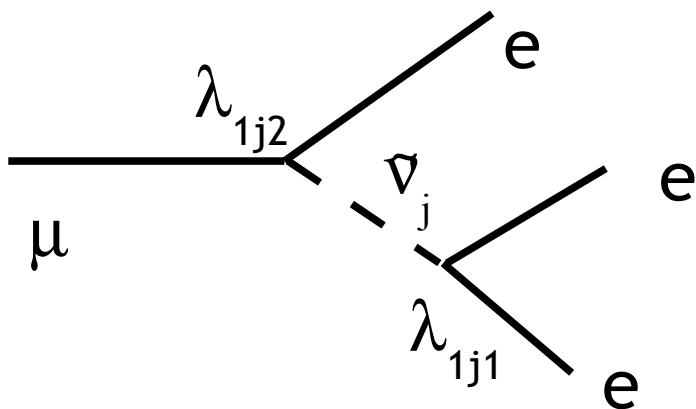
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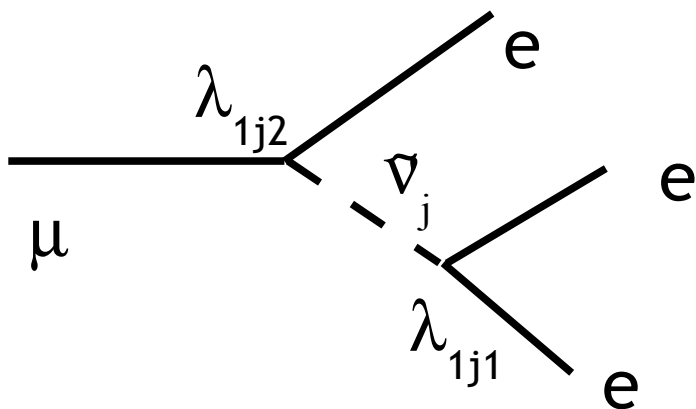


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$ \lambda_{231} \lambda_{131}  < 7 \times 10^{-7}$	From $\mu \rightarrow 3e$
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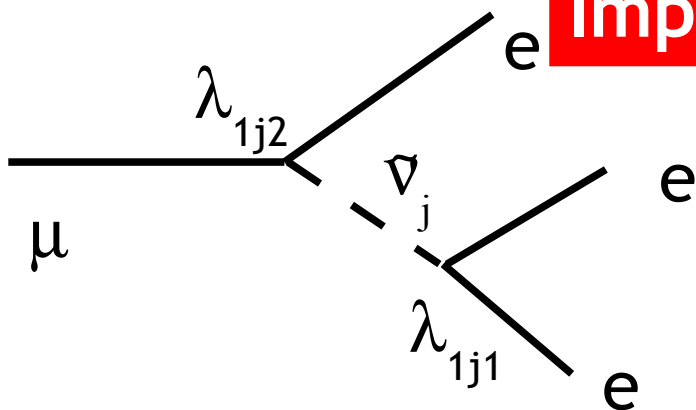
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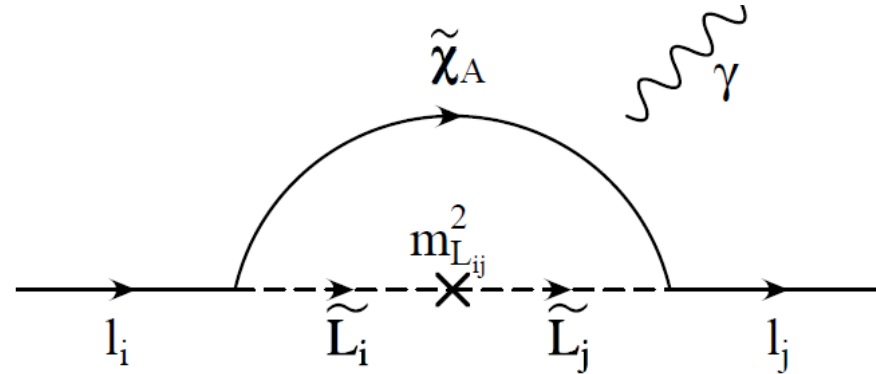
**Impose R-parity conservation**



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## 2- Soft SUSY breaking terms in general violate flavour

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}}^{\text{lep}} = (\mathbf{m}_L^2)_{ij} \tilde{L}_i^* \tilde{L}_j + (\mathbf{m}_e^2)_{ij} \tilde{e}_{Ri}^* \tilde{e}_{Rj} + (\mathbf{A}_{eij} \tilde{e}_{Ri}^* \tilde{L}_j H_d + \text{h.c.})$$



Many possibilities for the origin of the lepton flavour violation:

LL, RR, RL, LR

Very stringent constraints from the non-observation of  $l_i \rightarrow l_j \gamma$

$$\text{e.g. } (\mathbf{m}_L^2)_{12}/m_S^2 < 3 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$(\mathbf{m}_L^2)_{13}/m_S^2 < 0.09$$

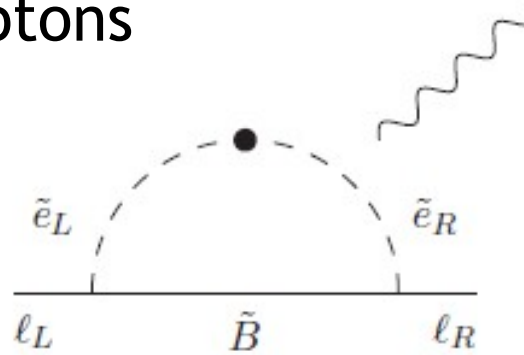
$$(\mathbf{m}_L^2)_{23}/m_S^2 < 0.09$$

(for  $m_s=400\text{GeV}$  and  $\tan\beta=10$ )

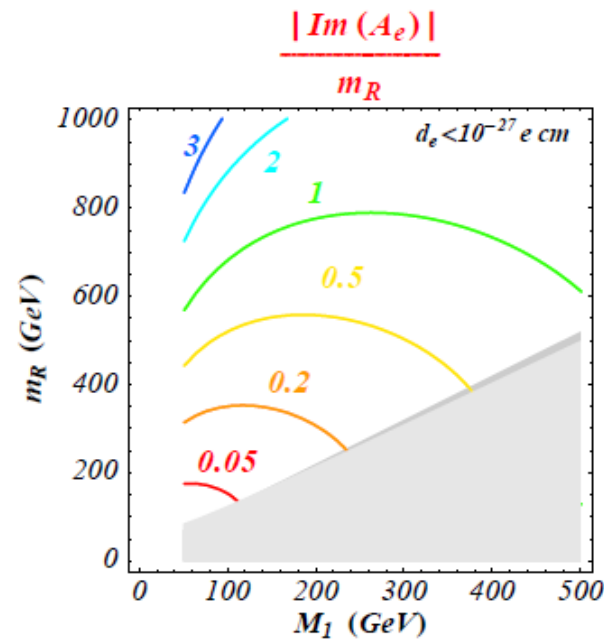
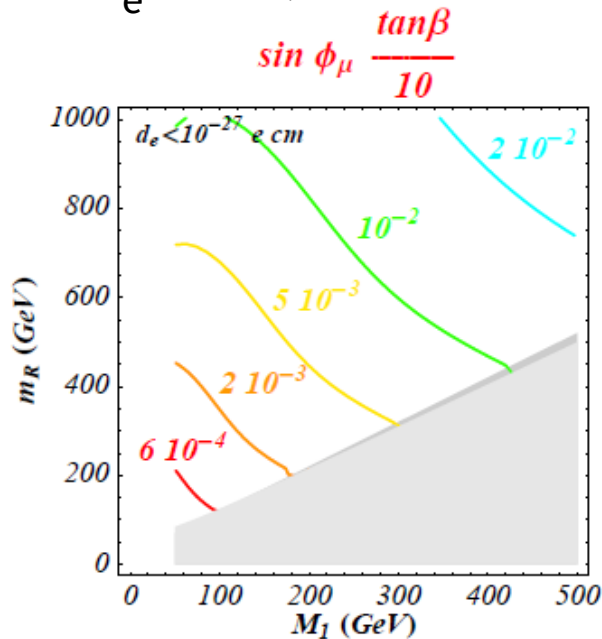
Possible explanation: messenger sector does not distinguish among flavours (gravity mediation, gauge mediation, gaugino mediation)

### 3- SUSY parameters introduce new sources of CP violation

The dominant contribution is a one loop diagram involving the bino and the sleptons



In SUSY scenarios (even with R-parity conserved and flavour blind messengers) there are at least two physical phases (the overall phases of  $A_e$  and  $\mu$ ), which contribute to the EDMs





# Correlations in SUSY scenarios

If SUSY exists in Nature, there are good chances to observe rare decays in the near future. But, how to tell that it is SUSY?

- Correlations between rare processes violating the same family number:

$$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma, \mu \rightarrow eee, \mu T_i \rightarrow e T_i$$

$$\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma, \tau \rightarrow \mu ee \dots$$

- Correlations between rare processes violating different family numbers

Is there any model independent correlation between  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  and  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$ ?

# Correlations between processes violating the same flavours

Both processes are proportional to the same order parameter of the flavour symmetry breaking  $\Rightarrow$  **correlation**

ratio	MSSM (dipole)	MSSM (Higgs)
$\frac{Br(\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-)}{Br(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma)}$	$\sim 6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\sim 6 \cdot 10^{-3}$
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$\frac{Br(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma)}$	$\sim 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.06 ... 0.1
$\frac{Br(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(\tau \rightarrow e \gamma)}$	$\sim 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.02 ... 0.04
$\frac{Br(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+ e^-)}{Br(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma)}$	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$\frac{Br(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-)}{Br(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ \mu^-)}$	$\sim 5$	0.3 ... 0.5
$\frac{Br(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-)}{Br(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+ e^-)}$	$\sim 0.2$	5 ... 10
$\frac{R(\mu Ti \rightarrow e Ti)}{Br(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma)}$	$\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.08 ... 0.15

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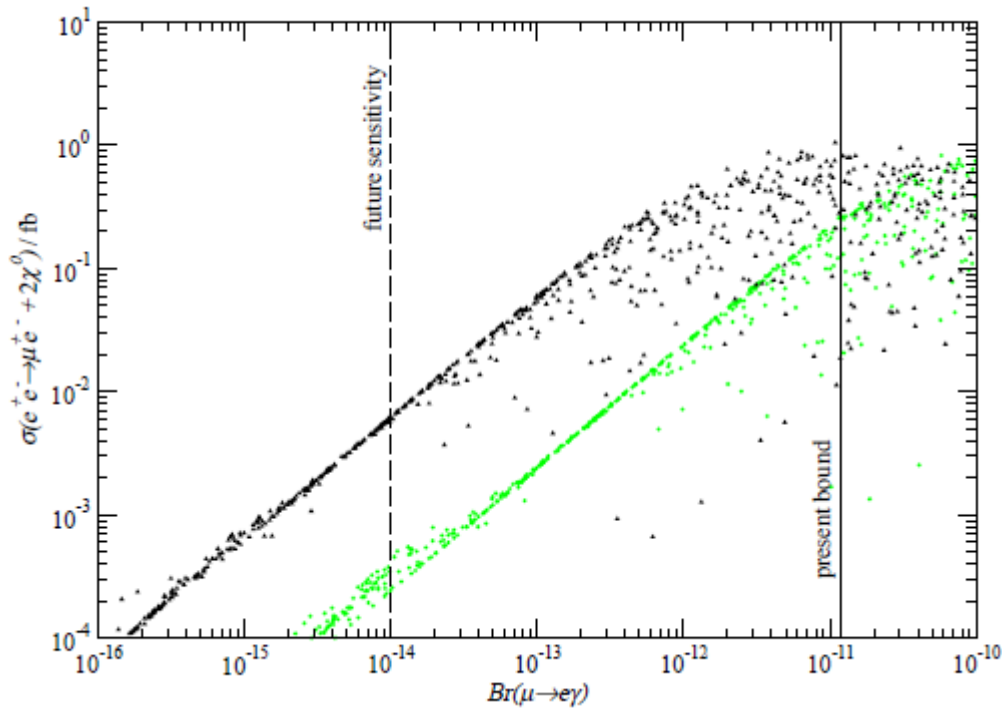
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Possibility to distinguish among models

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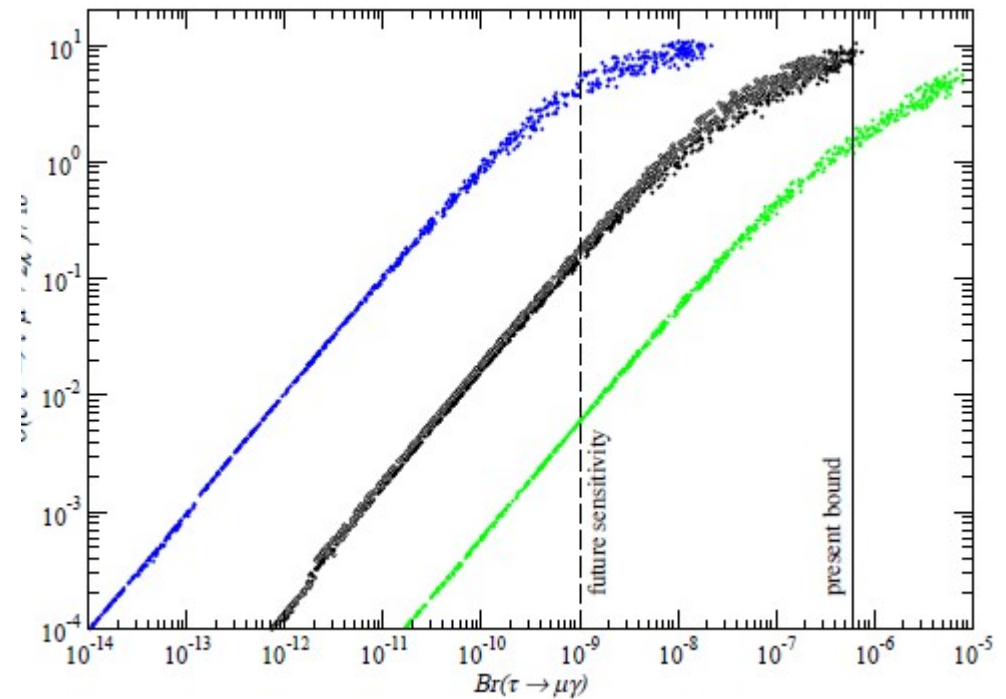
Correlations also at colliders, e.g.

$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+e^- + 2\chi^0)$  and  $BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$



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$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\mu^- + 2\chi^0)$  and  $BR(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)$



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If  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$  and  $\tau \rightarrow e\gamma$  are both observed, *all* the family lepton numbers are broken. The rate for  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  is **necessarily** non-vanishing.

$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \gtrsim C \times \text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma)$$

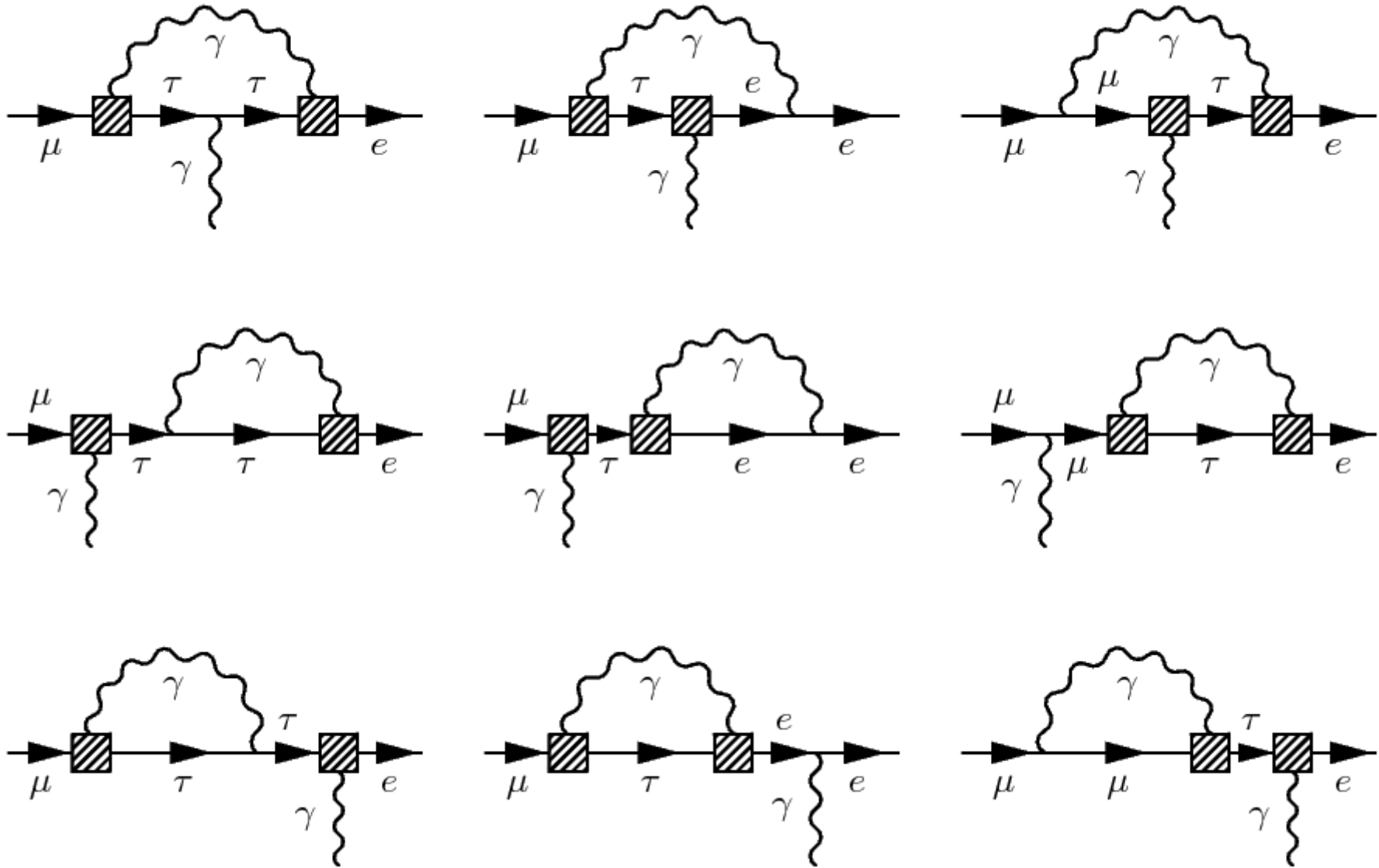
## A simple example

The Feynman diagrams for the dipole transitions  $\tau \rightarrow l \gamma$  are



Even if the dipole transition  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  does not exist at tree level, there is no symmetry which forbids this transition. It will arise at the quantum level

$$BR(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma) \simeq C \times BR(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma) BR(\tau \rightarrow e \gamma)$$



In the effective theory approach, the calculation yields

$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \gtrsim 4 \times 10^{-23} \left( \frac{\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)}{4.5 \times 10^{-8}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma)}{1.1 \times 10^{-7}} \right)$$

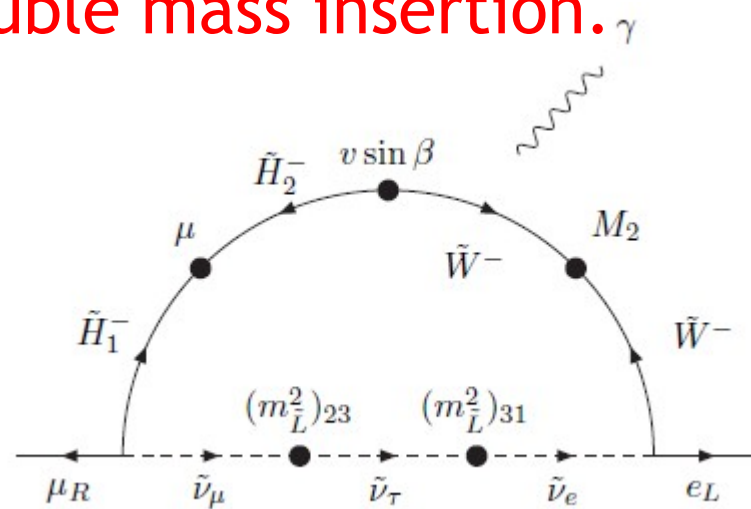
Not very useful in practice, but completely model independent



# Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model

To derive correlations between the different rare processes, assume the worst case for the detection of  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ , namely all  $(\mathbf{m}_L^2)_{12}$ ,  $(\mathbf{m}_e^2)_{12}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_{e12}$  are equal to zero.

Still, if the rates for  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$  and  $\tau \rightarrow e\gamma$  do not vanish, a non-vanishing rate for  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  will be generated at one loop via a double mass insertion.



Again, we find  $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \gtrsim C \times \text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma)$



- **Class I** : LL-LL, RR-RR

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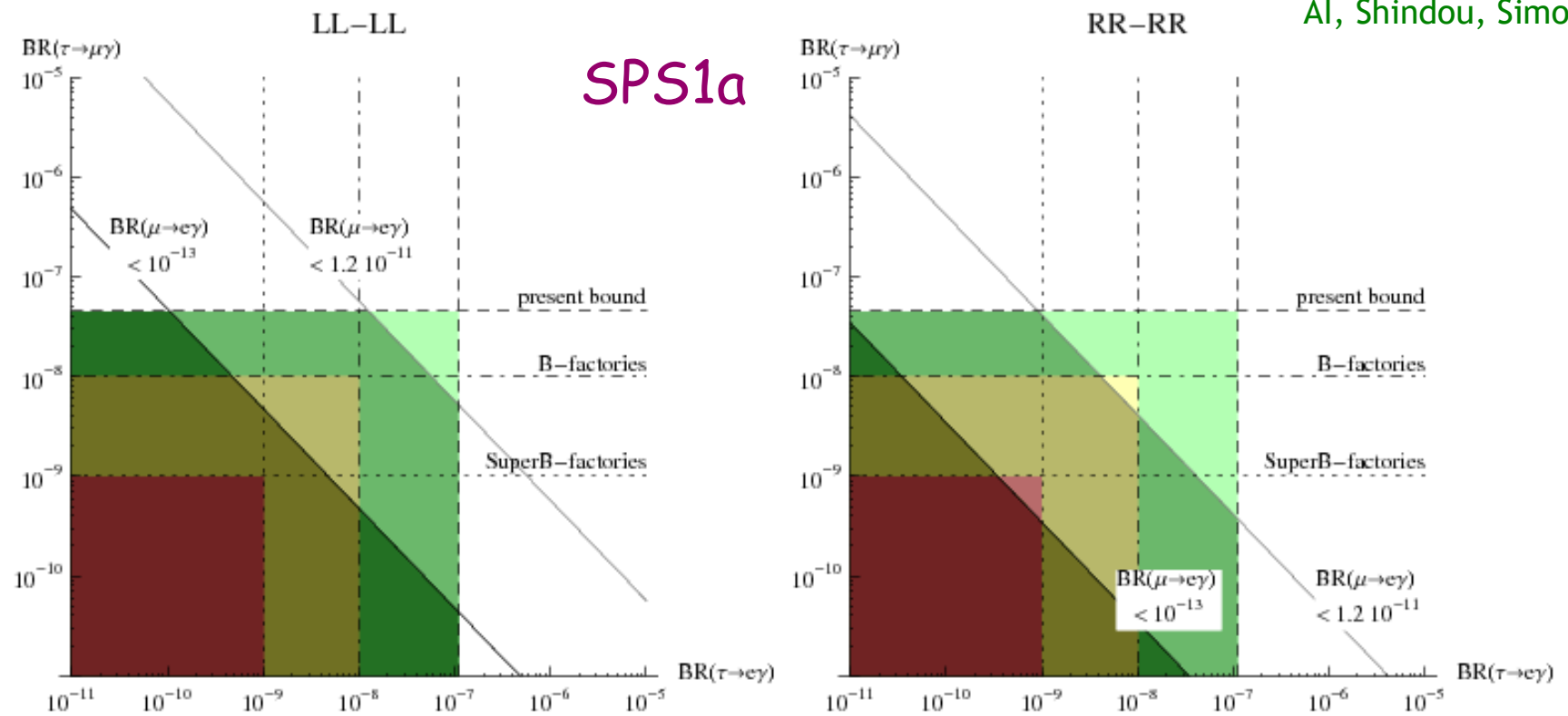
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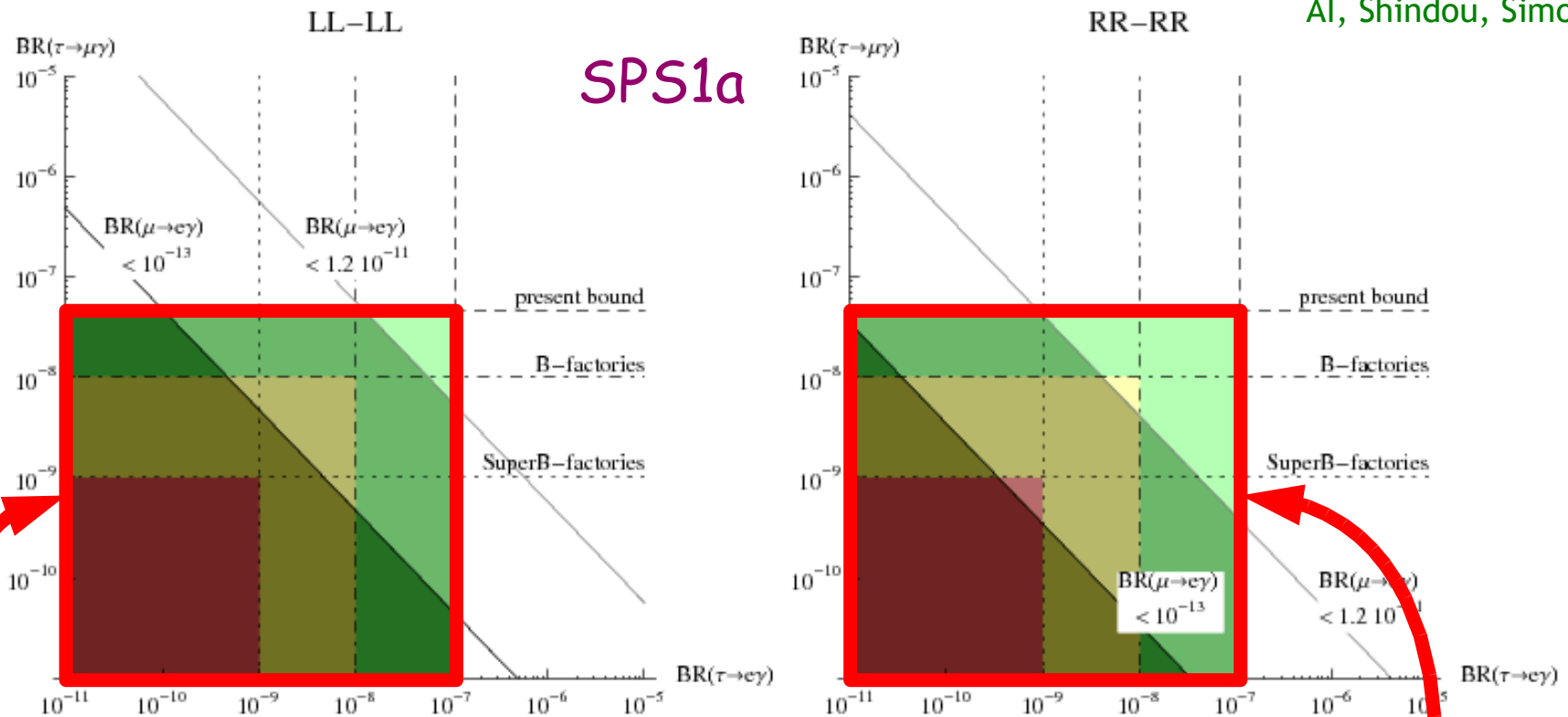
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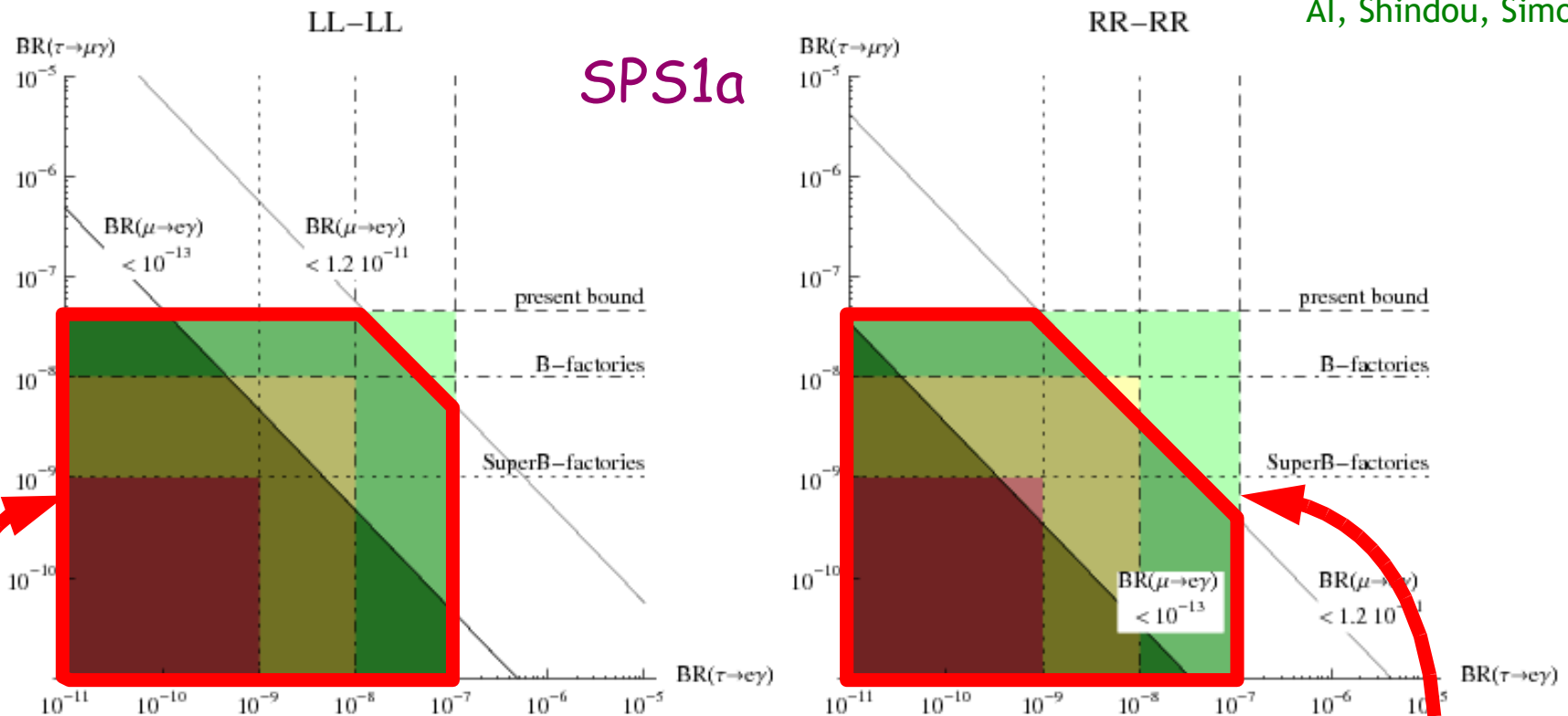


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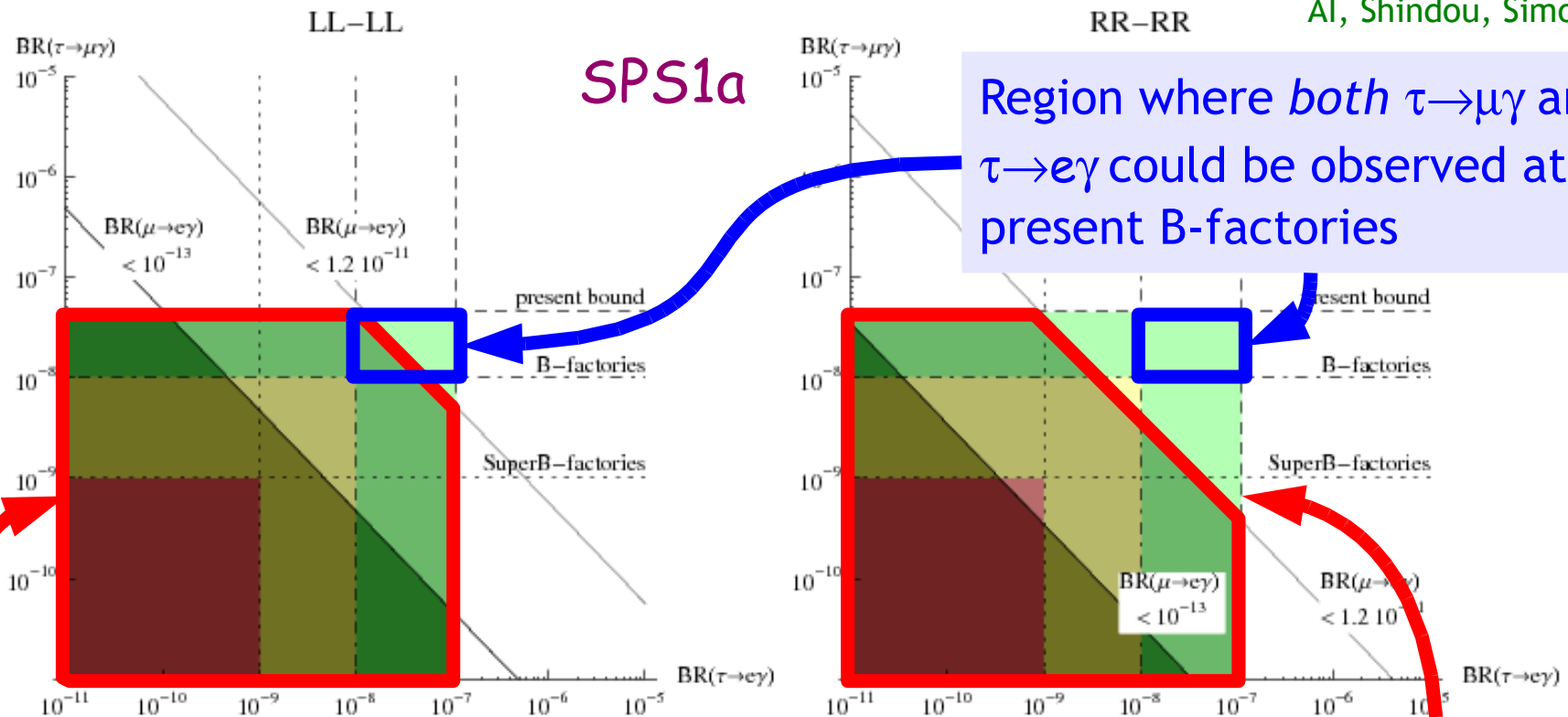


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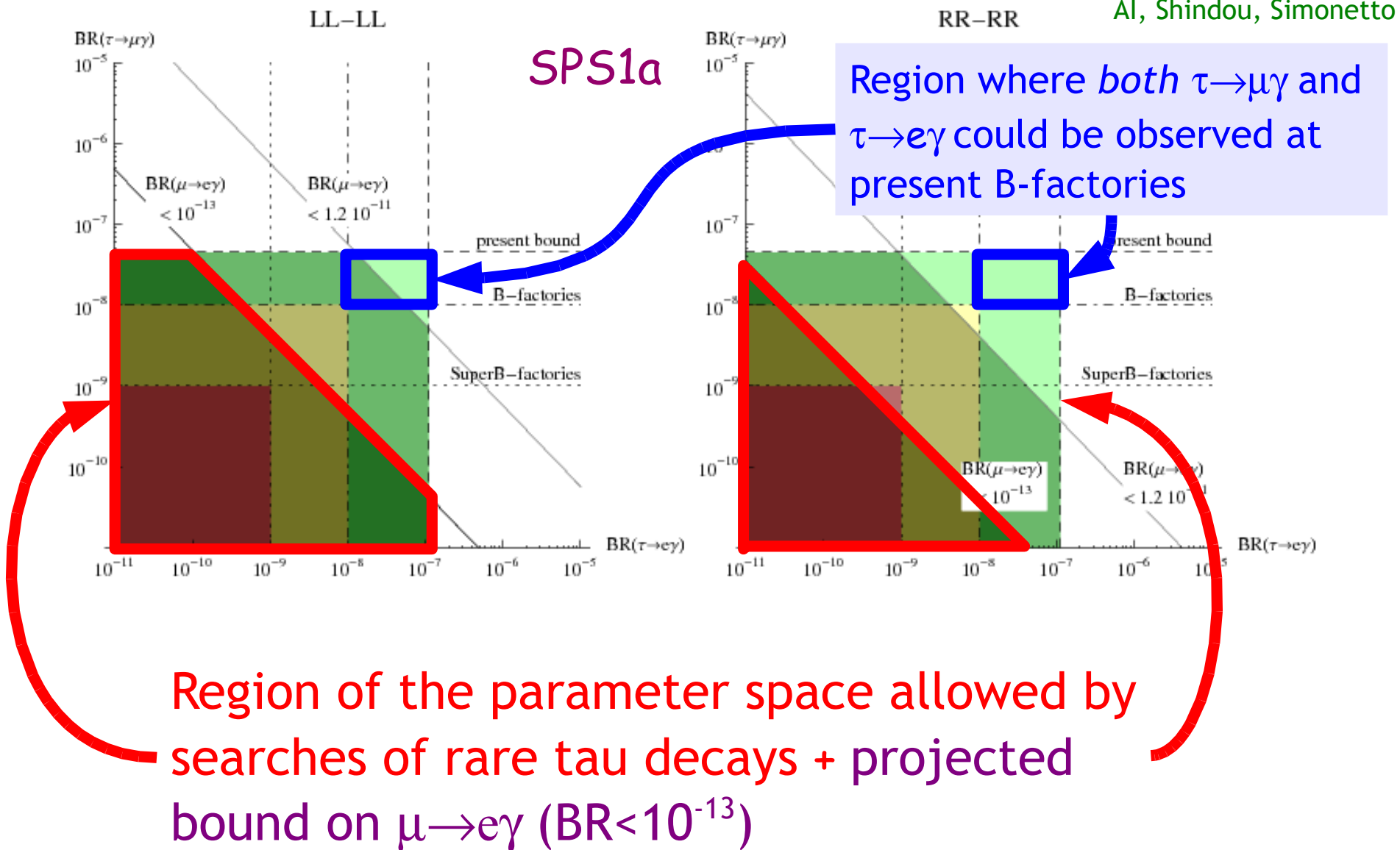
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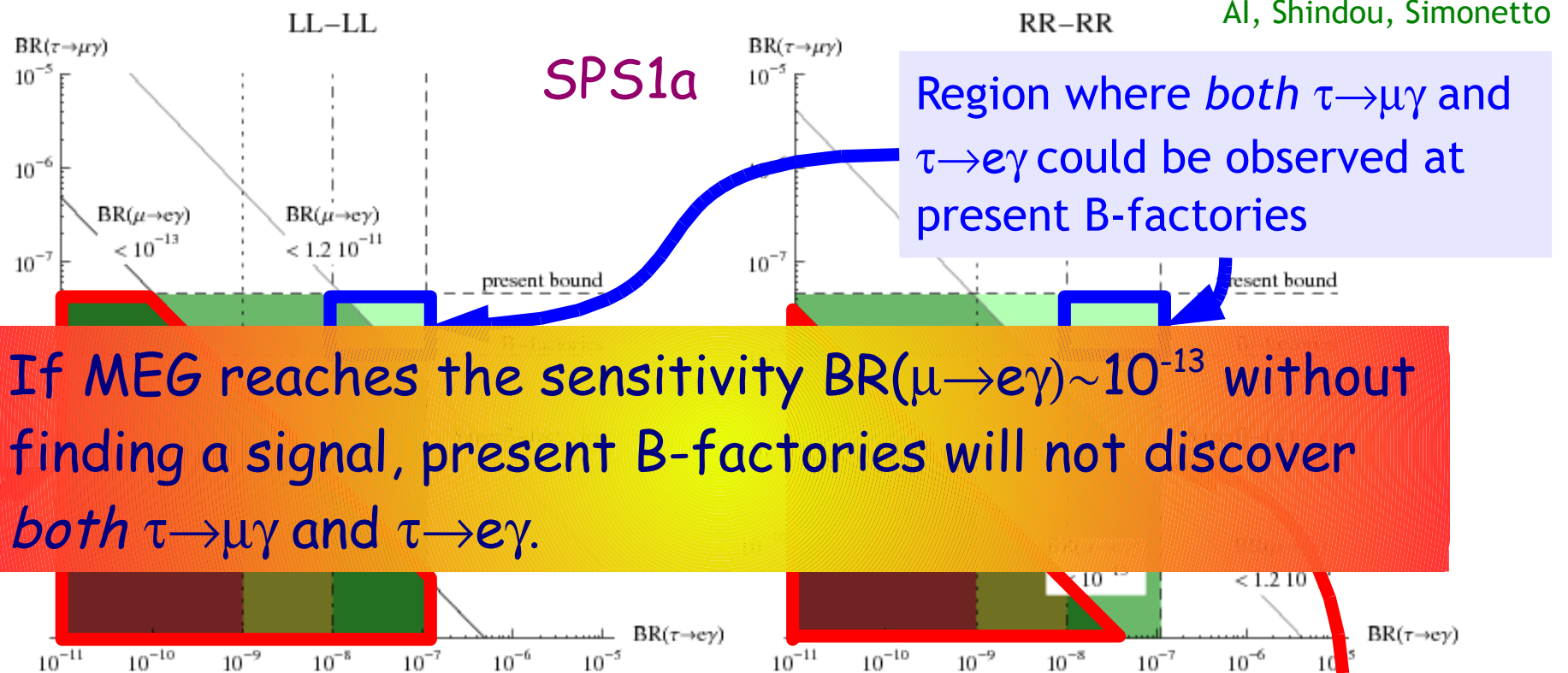
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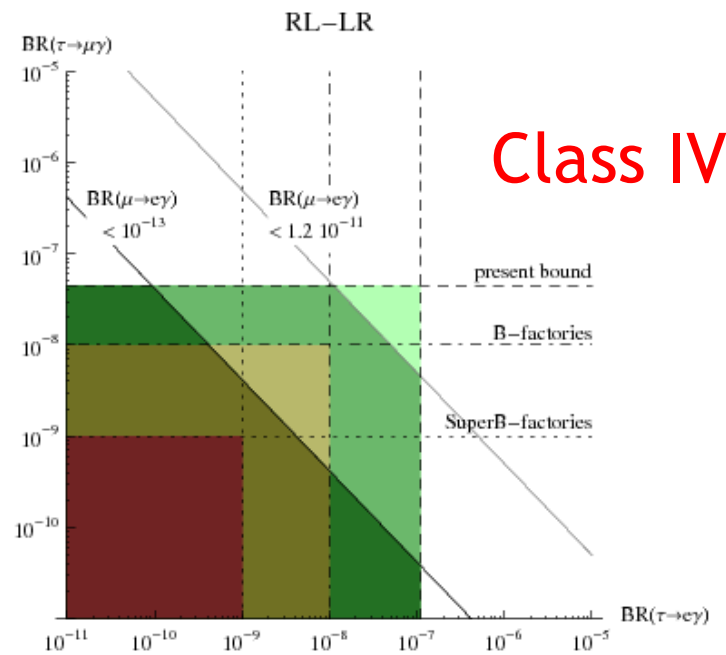
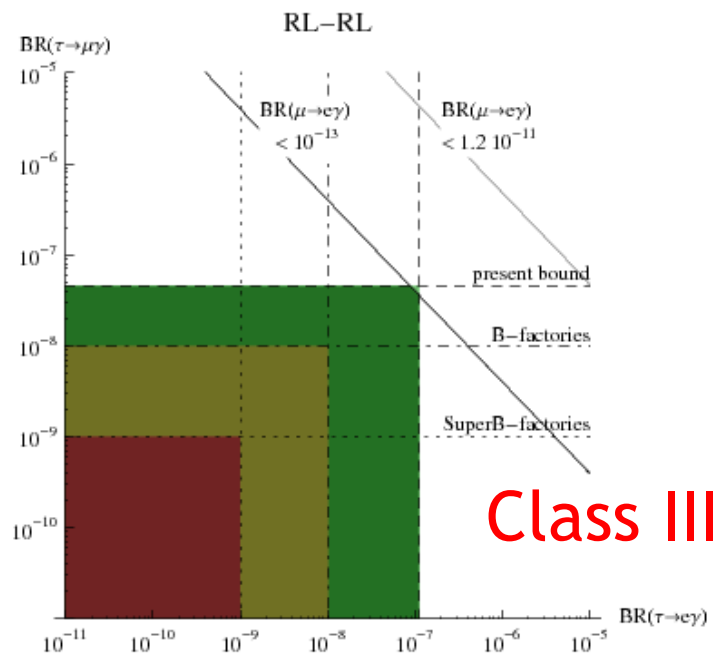
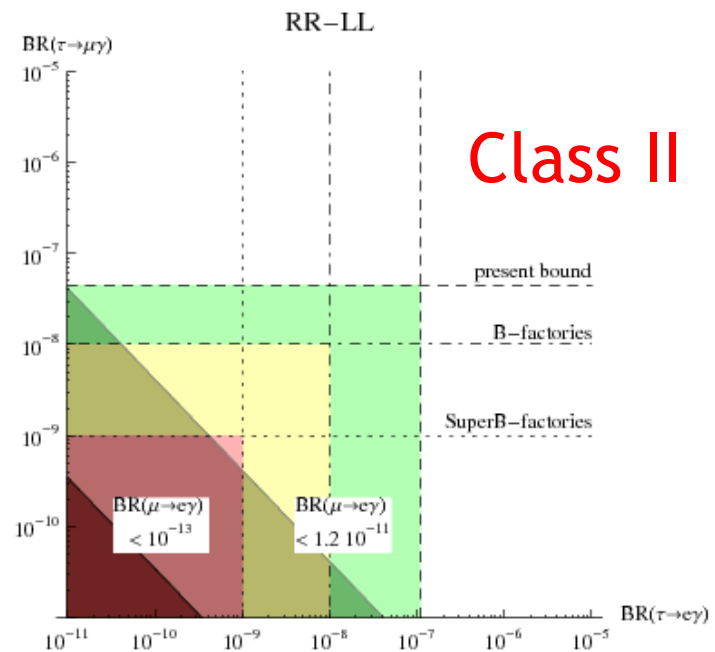
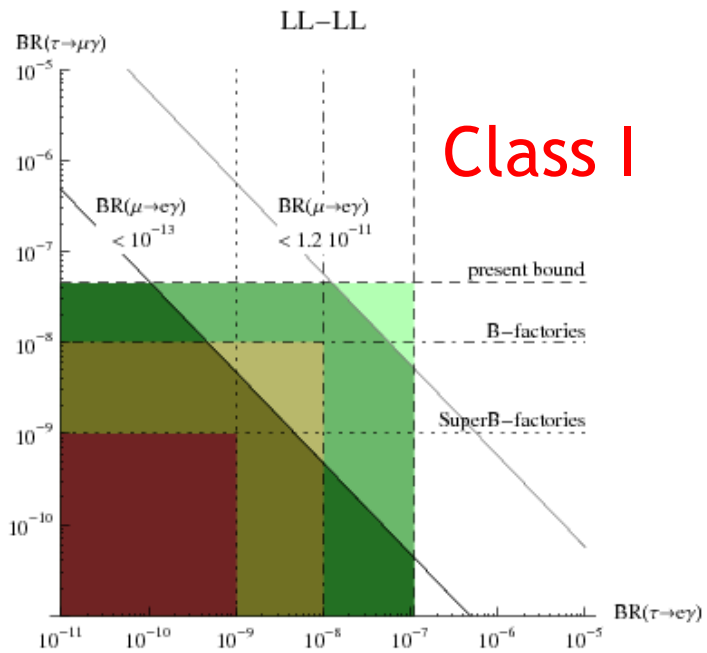
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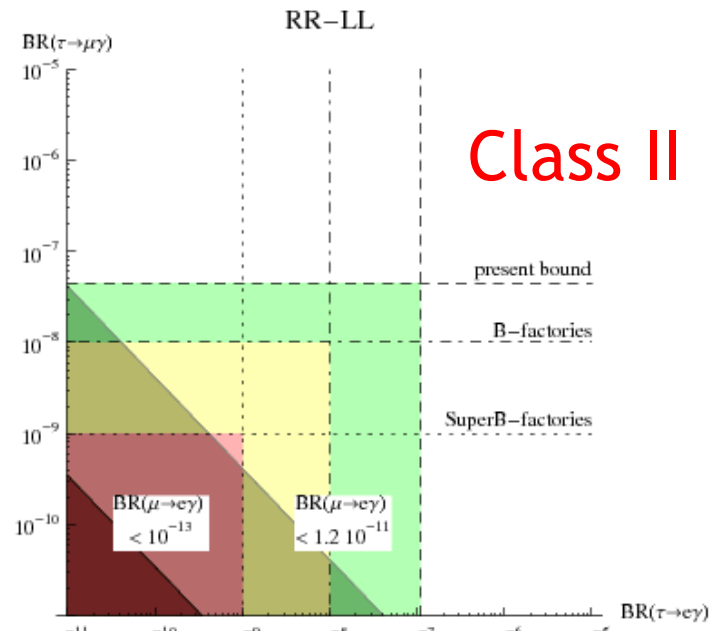
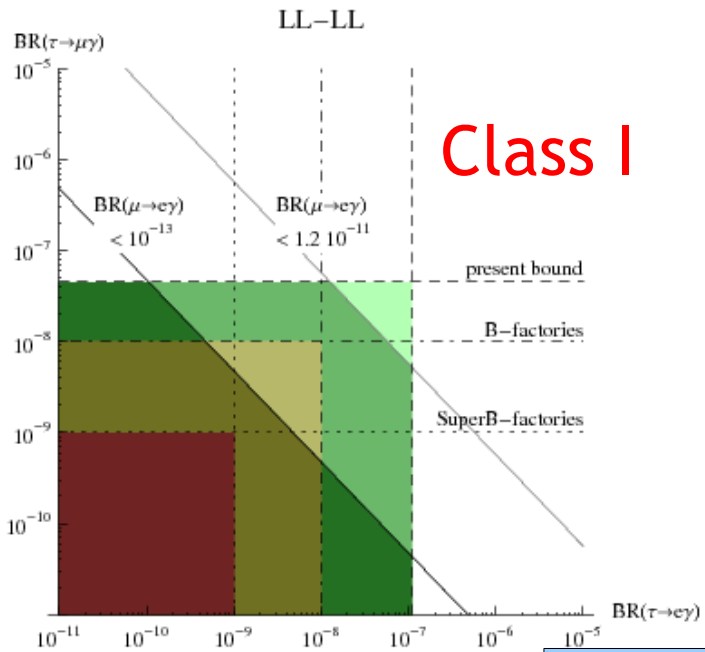


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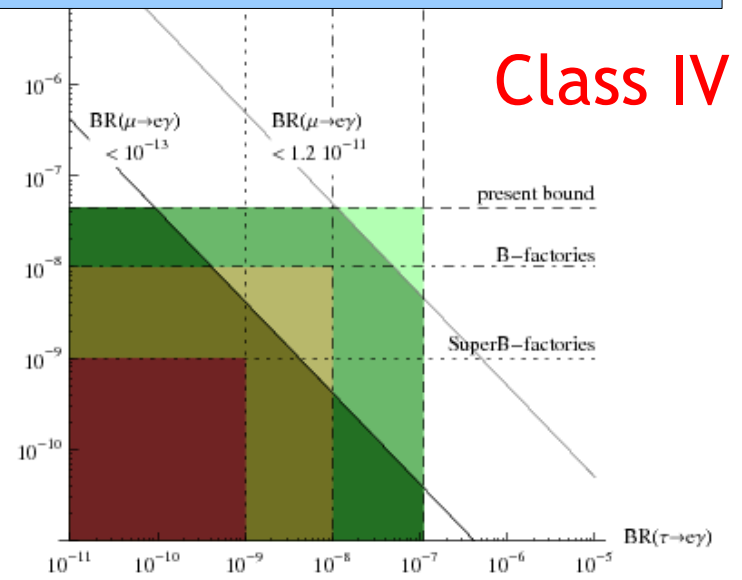
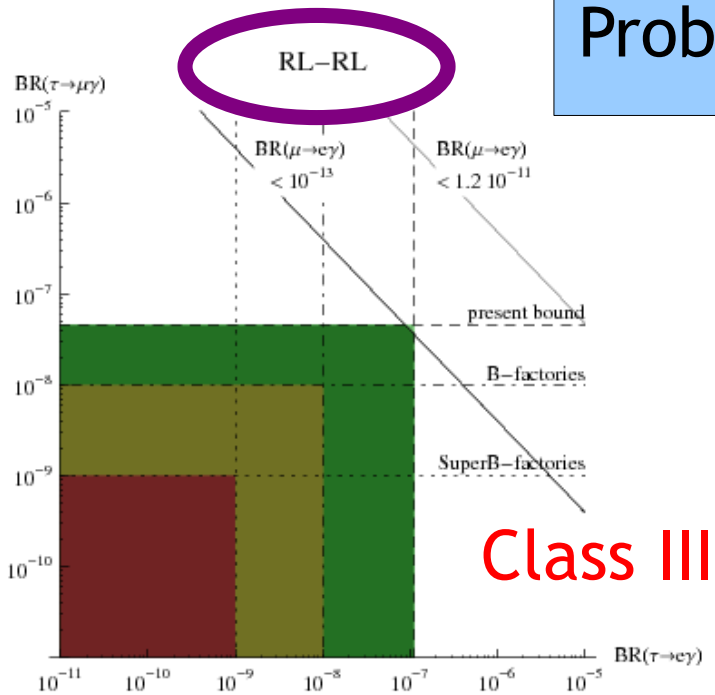


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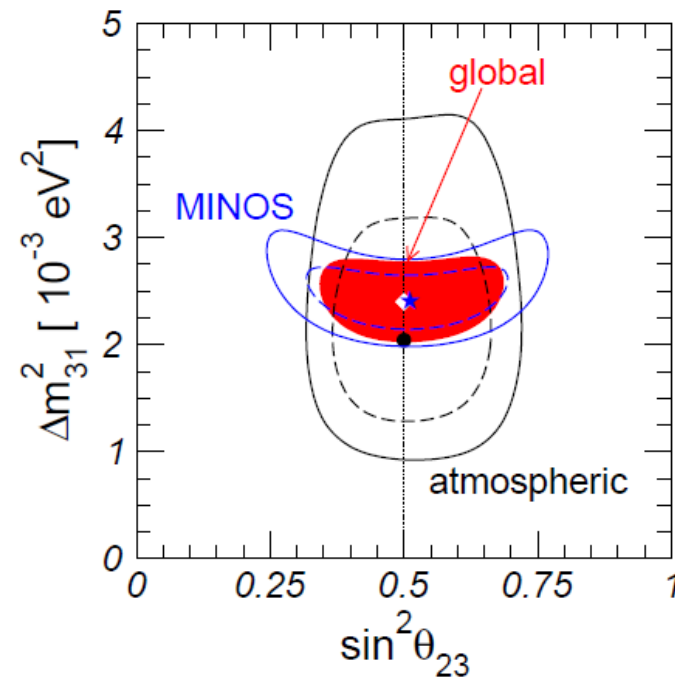
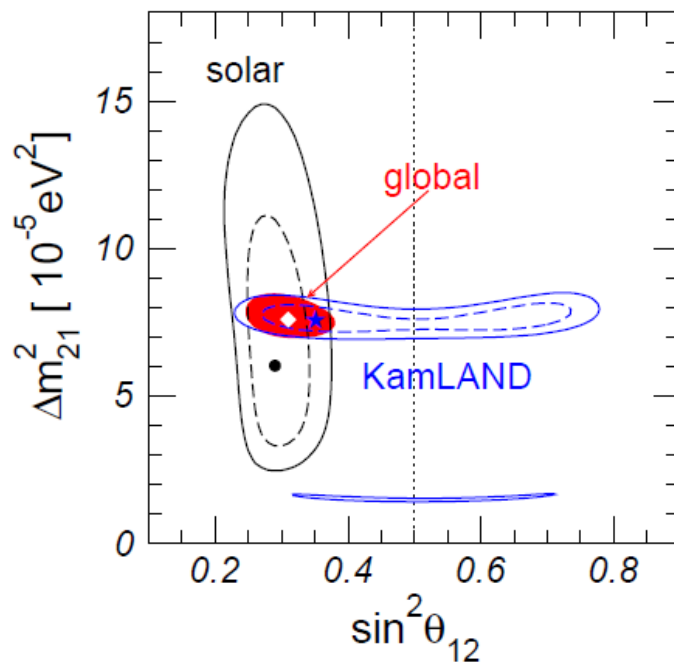


Problems with vacuum stability?  
Casas, Dimopoulos



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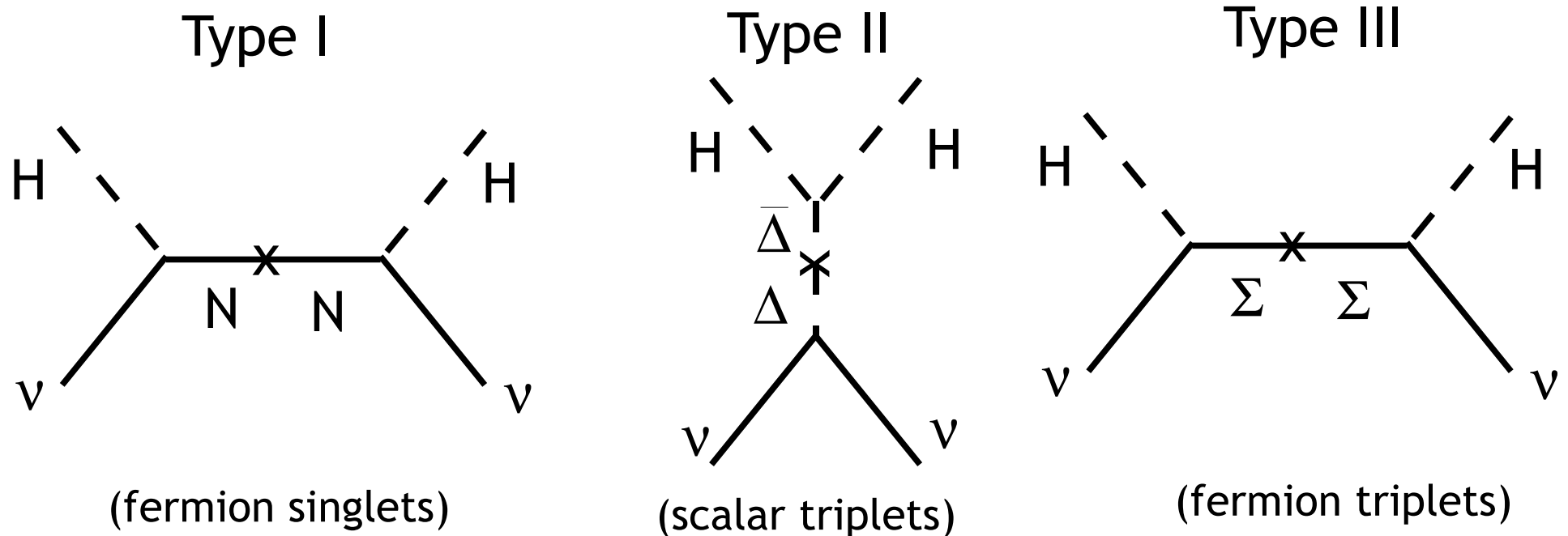
Evidence of lepton flavour violation:



What are the implications for **charged** lepton flavour violation?

# LFV in see-saw models

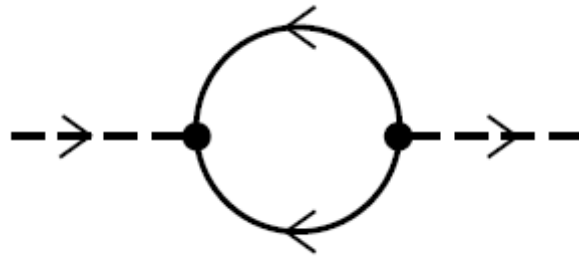
The smallness of neutrino masses can be very elegantly explained introducing new heavy degrees of freedom:



The new degrees of freedom induce LFV processes, with rates suppressed by the large mass scale of the new particles.

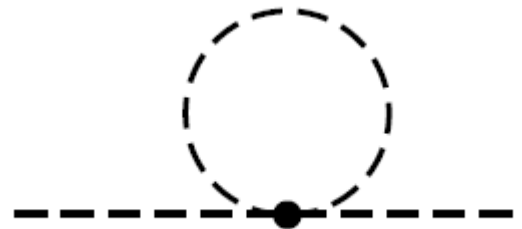
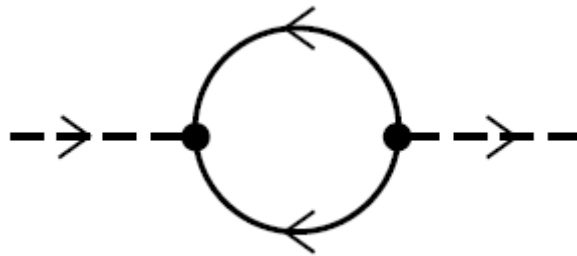
Good agreement with experiments, but the model is unnatural...

The Higgs doublet interacts with heavy degrees of freedom



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SUSY see-saw



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SUSY solves the hierarchy problem of the see-saw mechanism, but introduces yet another flavour problem...



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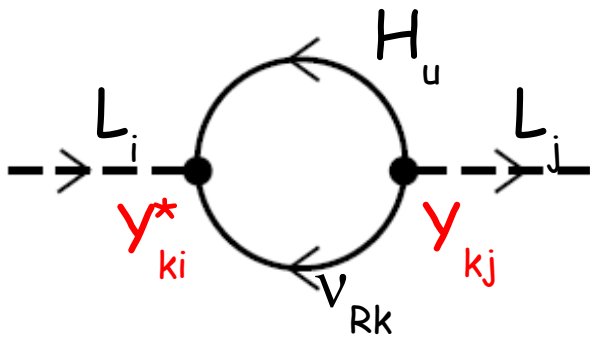
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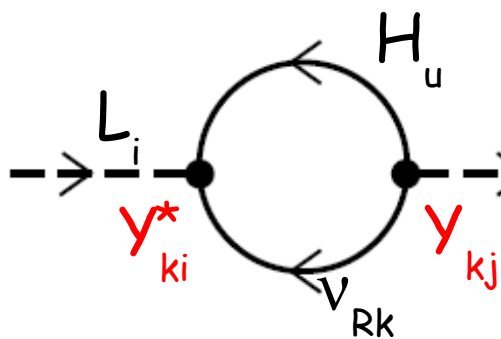
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Neutrino observations at most can fix 6+3 parameters.  
Still, there are 6+3 free parameters.

There are, compatible with the observed neutrino parameters, an **infinite** set of Yukawa couplings!

Right-handed neutrino masses

$$Y_\nu = \frac{1}{\langle H_u^0 \rangle} \sqrt{D_M} R \sqrt{D_m} U_{\text{lep}}^\dagger$$

Casas, AI

“Fixed” by experiments

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{c}_2 \hat{c}_3 & -\hat{c}_1 \hat{s}_3 - \hat{s}_1 \hat{s}_2 \hat{c}_3 & \hat{s}_1 \hat{s}_3 - \hat{c}_1 \hat{s}_2 \hat{c}_3 \\ \hat{c}_2 \hat{s}_3 & \hat{c}_1 \hat{c}_3 - \hat{s}_1 \hat{s}_2 \hat{s}_3 & -\hat{s}_1 \hat{c}_3 - \hat{c}_1 \hat{s}_2 \hat{s}_3 \\ \hat{s}_2 & \hat{s}_1 \hat{c}_2 & \hat{c}_1 \hat{c}_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Changing  $R$  and the right-handed neutrino masses, any  $Y^\dagger Y$  can be obtained.

In fact, there is a one-to-one correspondence between

$$\{Y, M\} \longleftrightarrow \{M, Y^\dagger Y\} \quad \text{Davidson, AI}$$

High-energy parameters of the see-saw Lagrangian

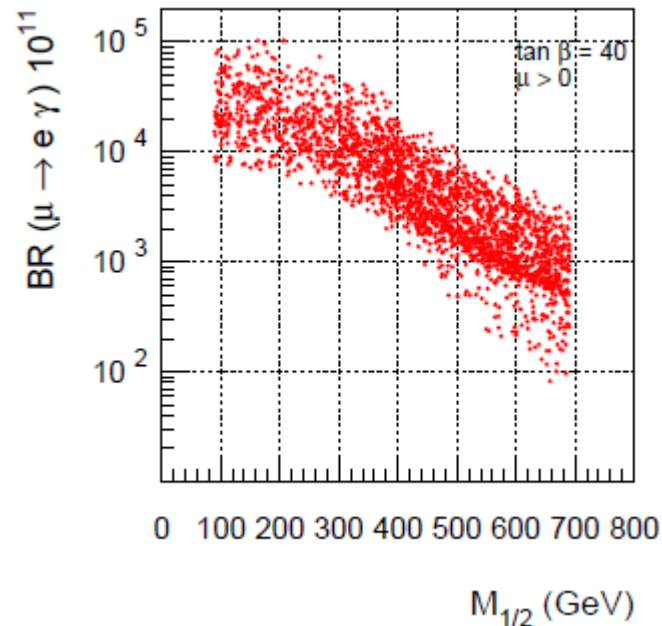
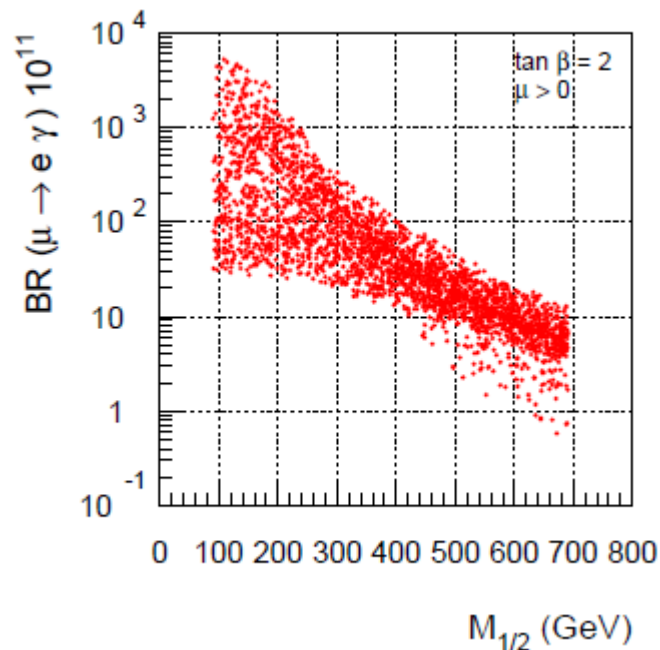
Low energy observables: neutrino mass matrix,  $\text{BR}(l_i \rightarrow l_j \gamma)$ , EDMs

From a *model independent* perspective, the type-I see-saw can accommodate anything at low energies!! **No predictions**

## Top-down approach

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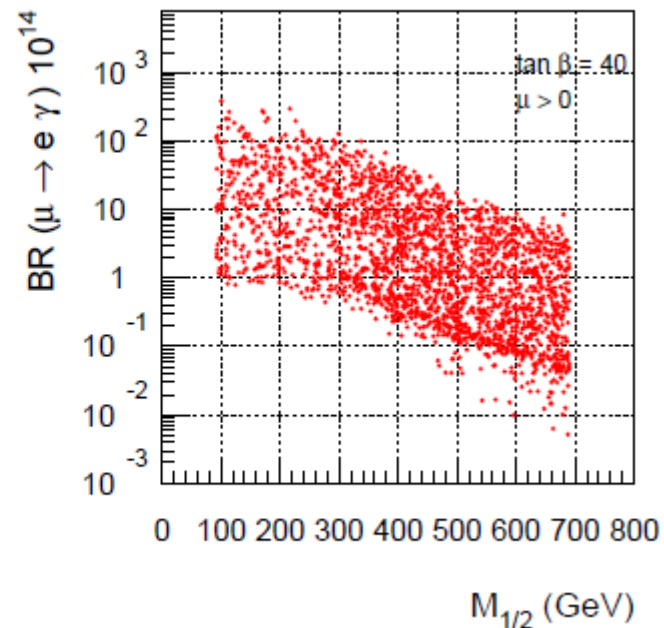
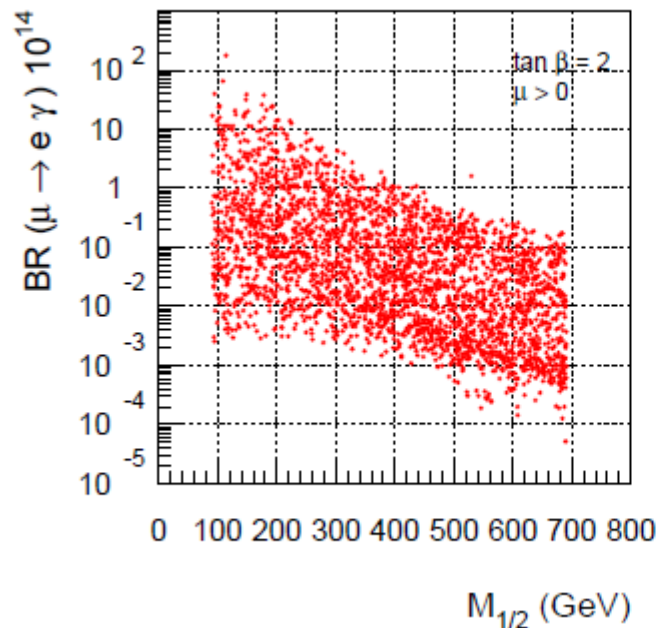


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## Top-down approach

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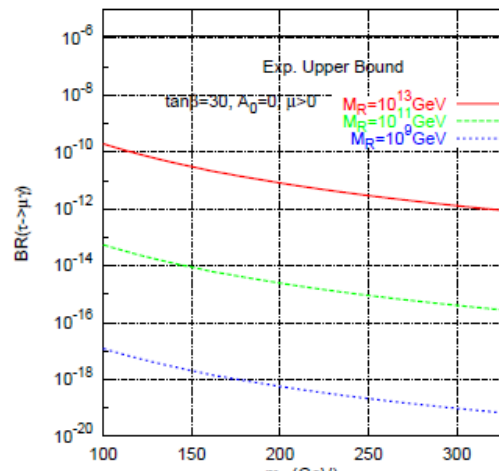
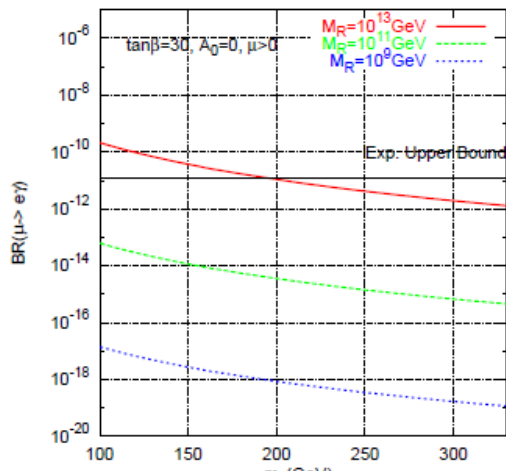
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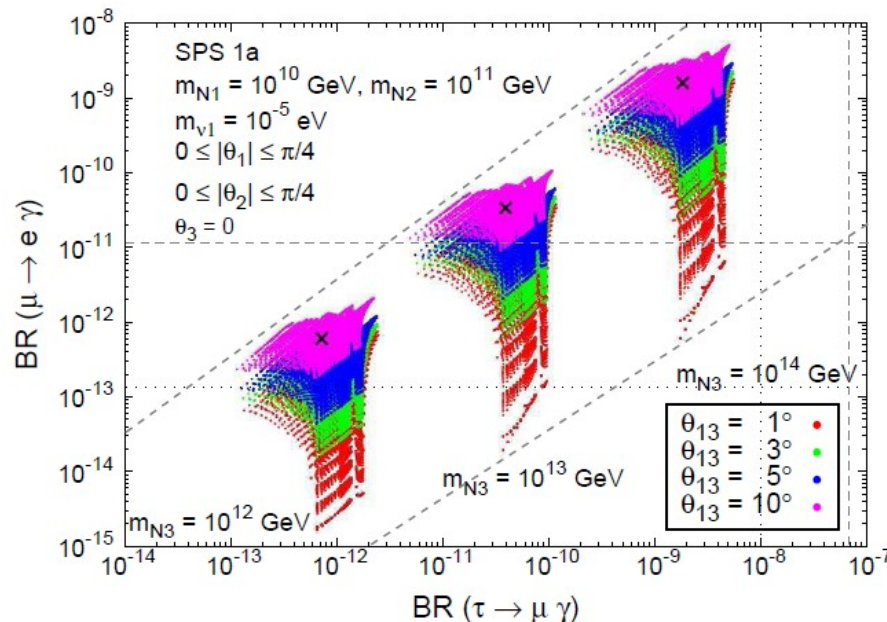
# “Semi bottom-up” approach

Incorporate the low energy neutrino constraints, but make assumptions about the high energy parameters



Petcov, Profumo, Takanishi, Yaguna

No CP violation  
 Right-handed neutrinos degenerate  
 $\theta_{13} = 0.1$   
 light neutrinos hierarchical



Antusch, Arganda, Herrero, Teixeira

One angle in the complex matrix R fixed  
 Two RH neutrino masses fixed  
 light neutrinos hierarchical

## Is this a dead-end? Is it impossible to test the SUSY see-saw?

List of unknowns:

Cut-off scale?

Flavour structure of the soft terms at the cut-off scale?

soft-SUSY parameters?

$\tan\beta$ ?

Size and flavour structure of the Yukawa couplings?

Right-handed neutrino masses?

Remarkably, under some well motivated assumptions, it is possible to derive predictions for the LFV processes, in the form of lower bounds.

- Absence of tunings
- Hierarchical neutrino Yukawa couplings
- Leptogenesis as the origin of the baryon asymmetry



## Prediction I.

Assume the worst case for the detection of  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ , namely R-parity is conserved and all  $(\mathbf{m}_L^2)_{12}$ ,  $(\mathbf{m}_e^2)_{12}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_{e12}$  are equal to zero at low energies

- $(\mathbf{m}_L^2)_{12}$ ,  $(\mathbf{m}_e^2)_{12}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_{e12}$  vanish at high energies  
(no LFV in the soft terms at tree level)

**AND**

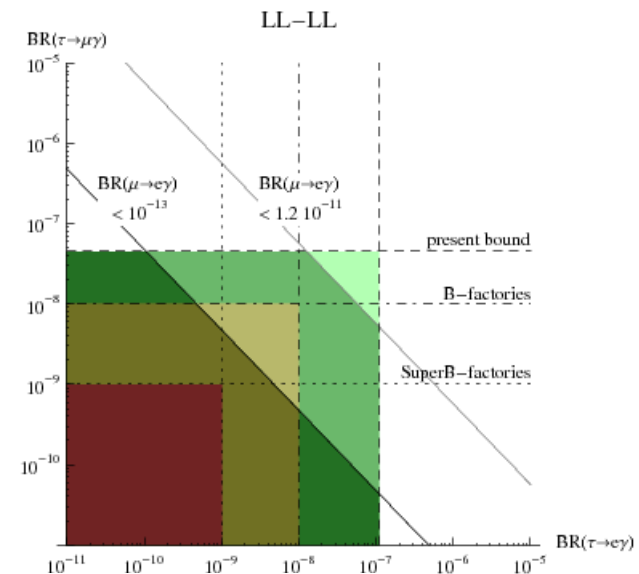
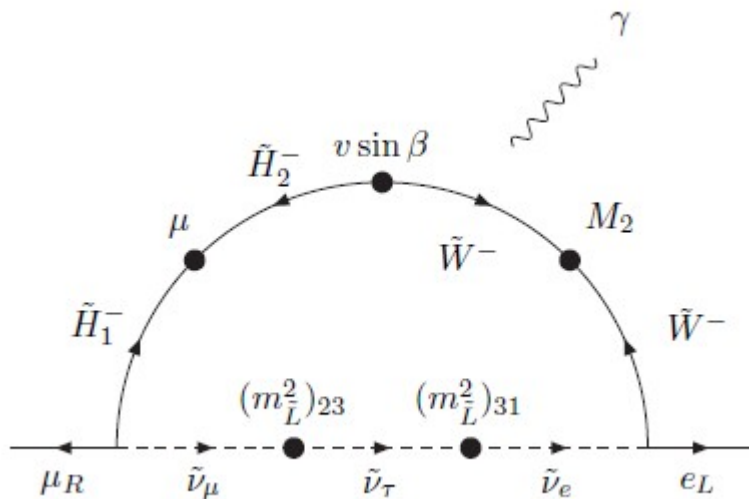
- $(Y_\nu^\dagger Y_\nu)_{12} = 0$   
(no LFV in the soft terms at one loop level)

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$$(m_L^2)_{21}(M_{\text{maj}}) \simeq \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2}\right)^2 m_S^2 (Y_\nu^\dagger Y_\nu)_{32}^* (Y_\nu^\dagger Y_\nu)_{31} \log\left(\frac{M_X}{M_{\text{maj}}}\right)^2$$

Again,  $BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \simeq C \times BR(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)BR(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma)$

*new effect*

In the worst case neutrino scenario, where  $Y_\nu^\dagger Y_\nu \sim \begin{pmatrix} \times & 0 & \times \\ 0 & \times & \times \\ \times & \times & \times \end{pmatrix}$

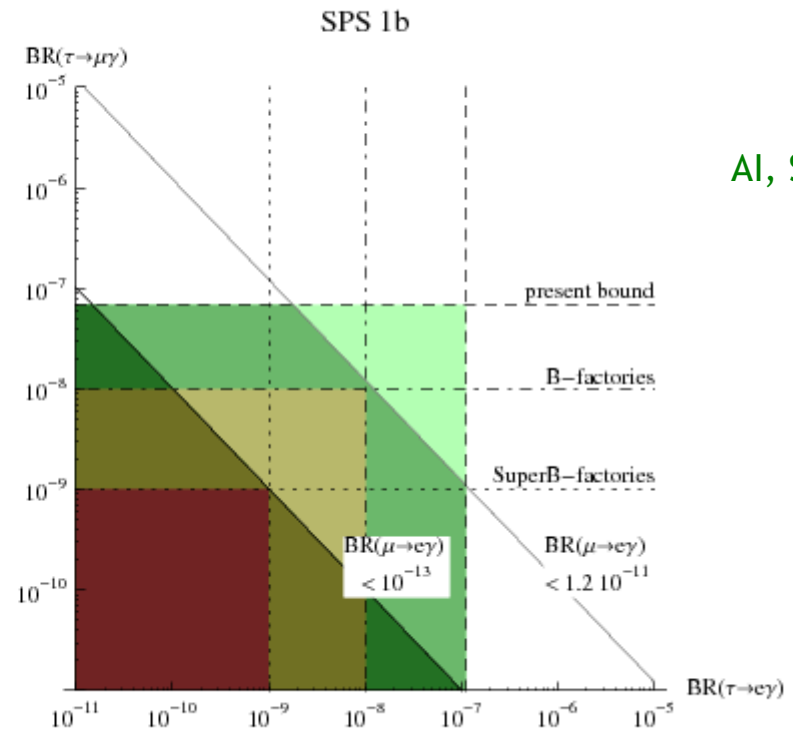
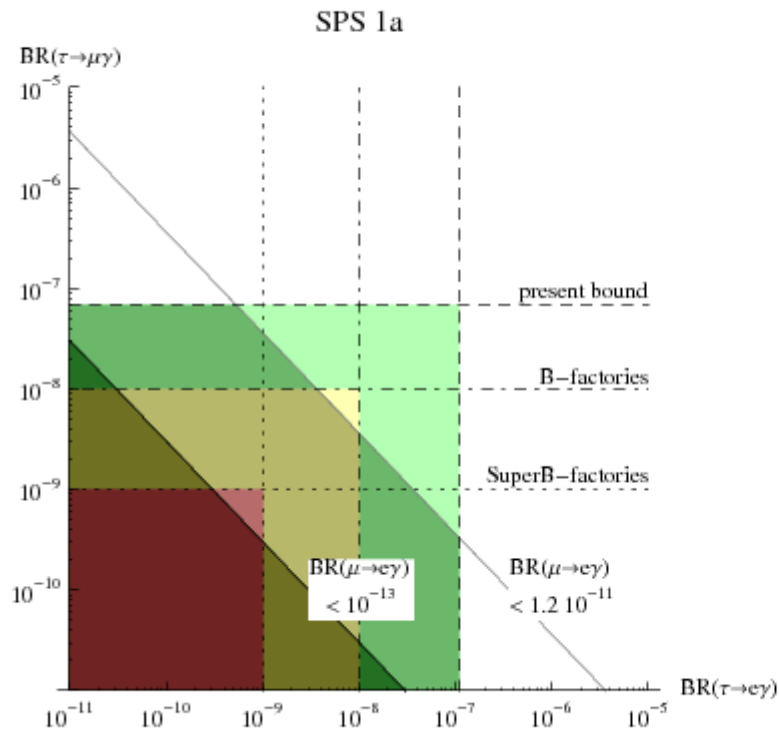
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In any other scenario, with  $(Y_\nu^\dagger Y_\nu)_{12} \neq 0$ ,

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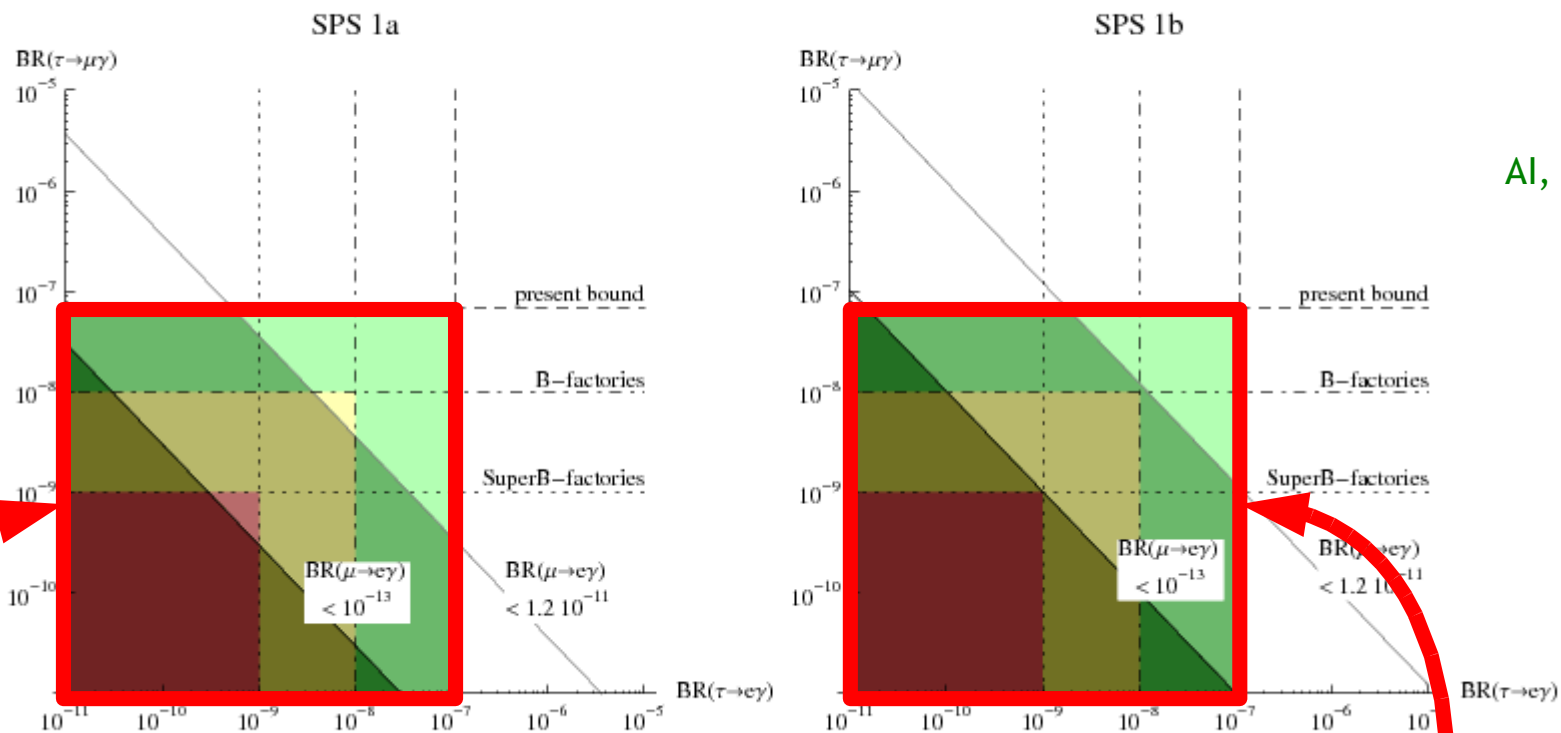
$C$  depends just on SUSY parameters and is independent of see-saw parameters

This bound holds for all the see-saw models that reproduce the low energy data. The only assumption is the absence of cancellations.



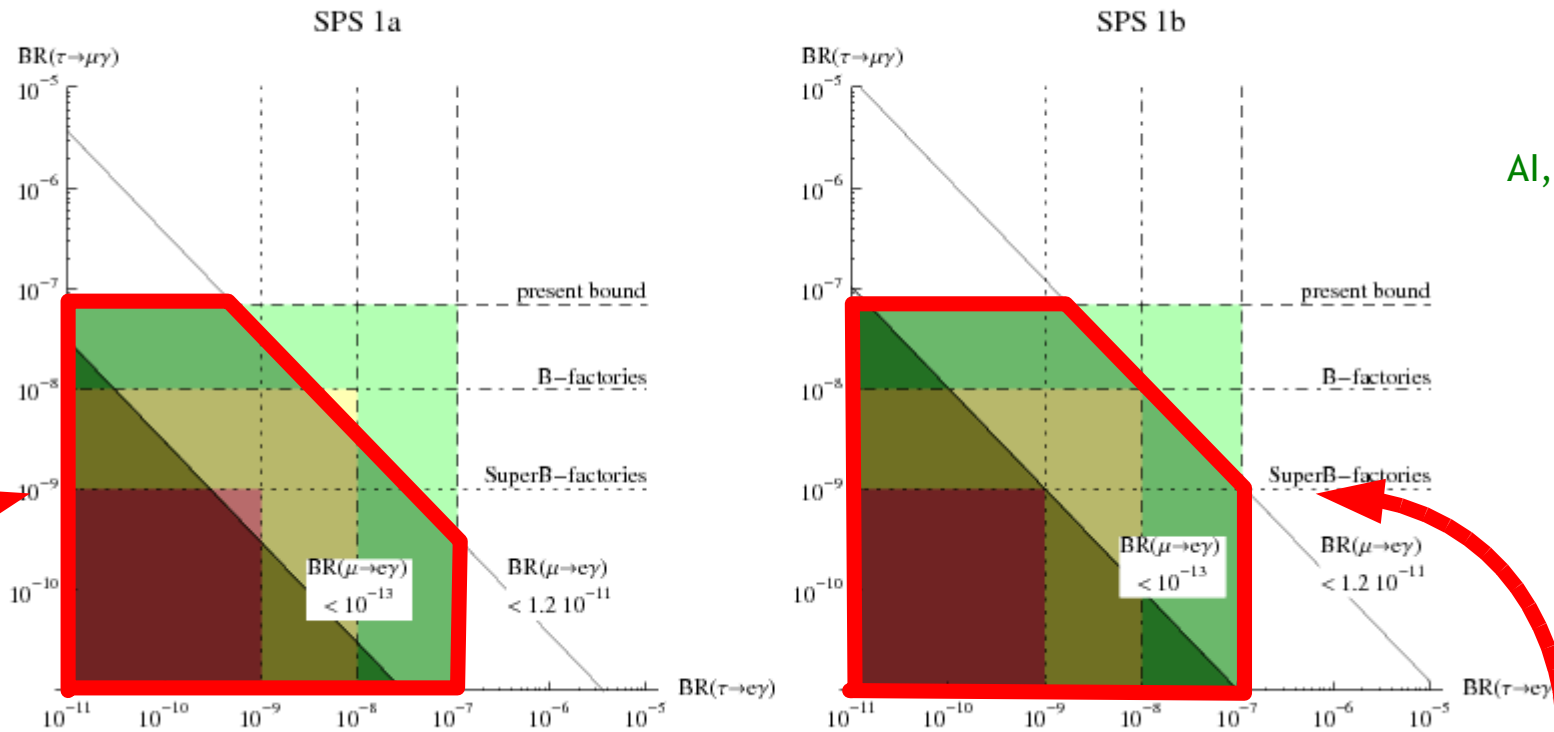
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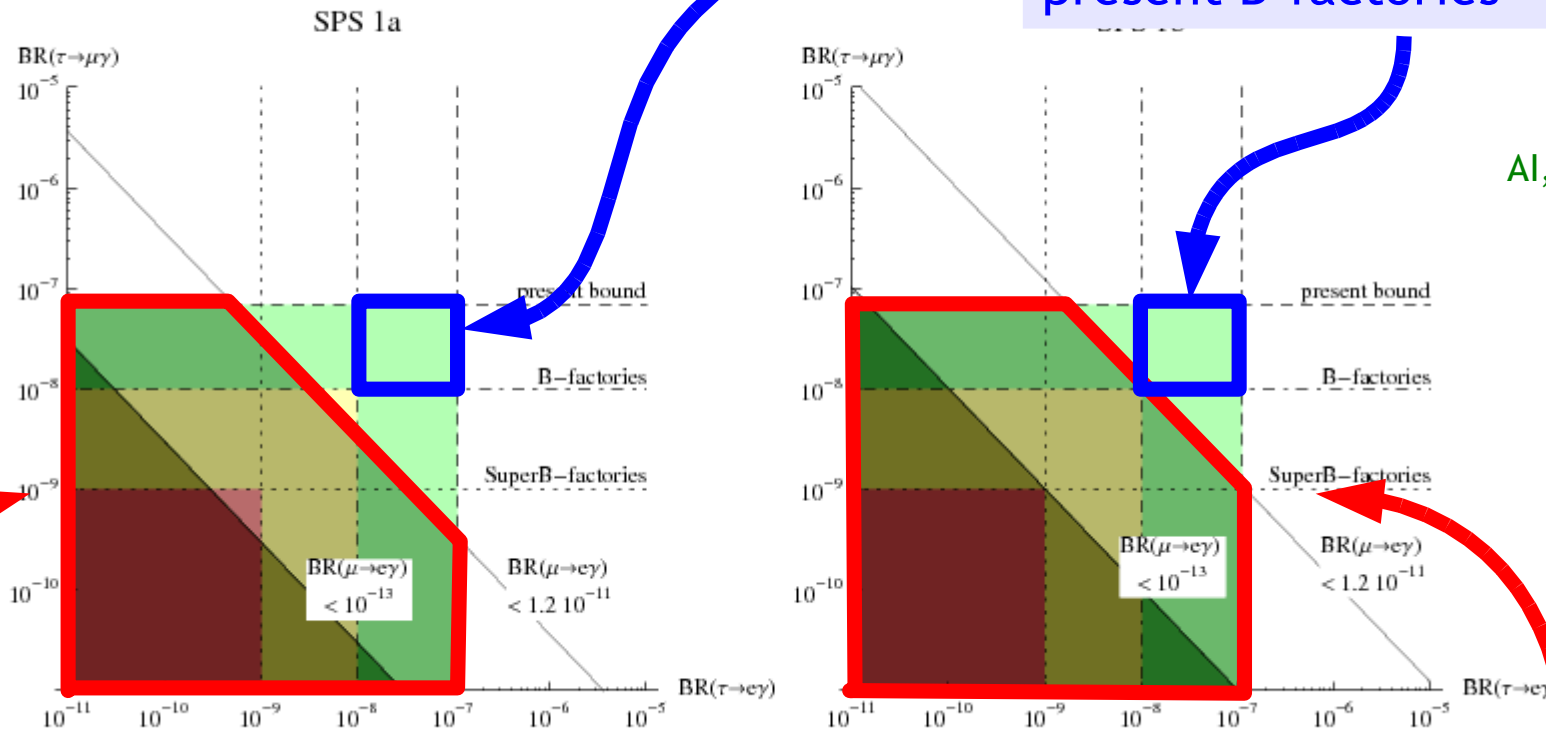
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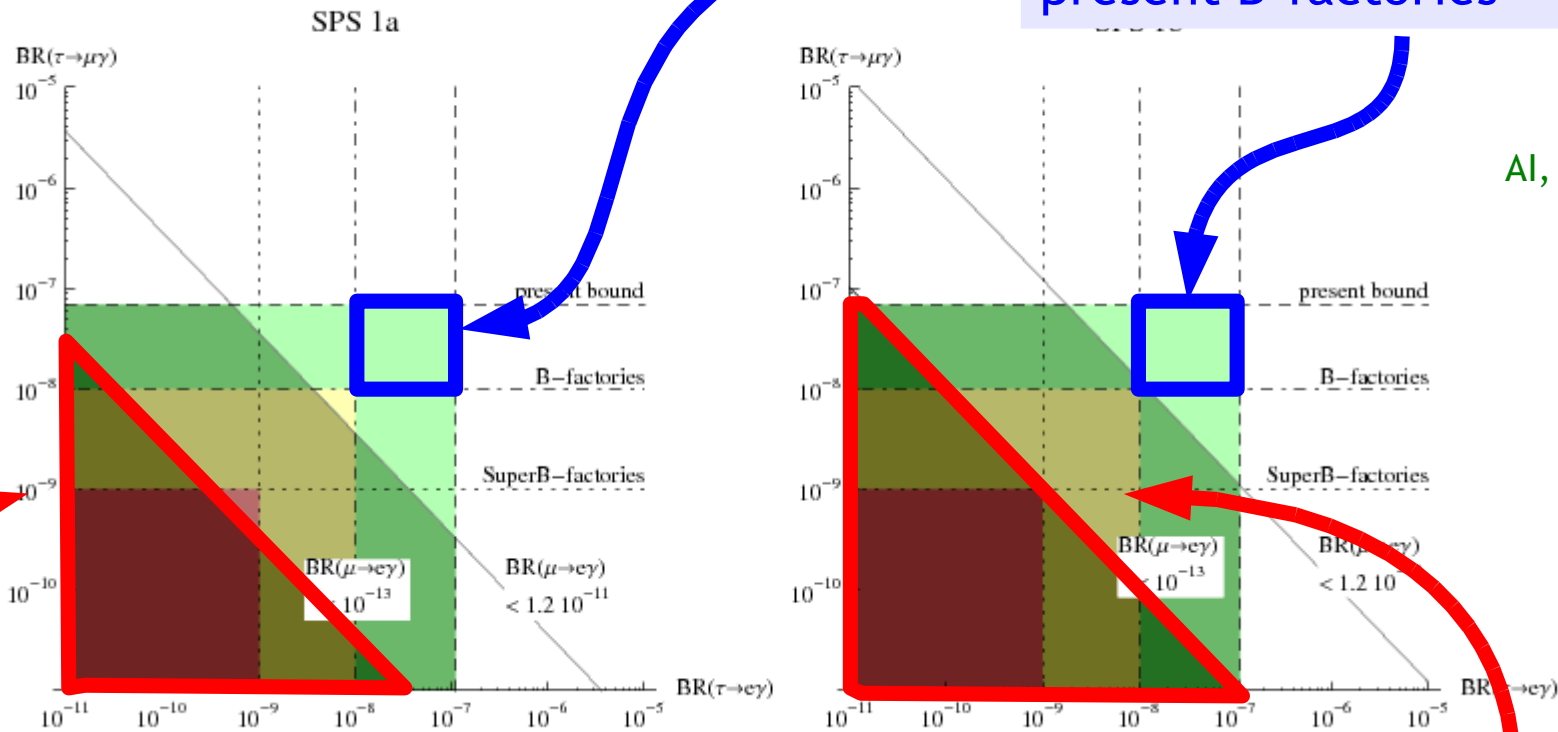


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All the right-handed neutrinos  
decouple at the same scale  $M_{\text{maj}}$

Strictly speaking  $(\mathbf{Y}_\nu^\dagger \mathbf{Y}_\nu)_{ij} \log \left( \frac{\Lambda}{M_{\text{maj}}} \right) \rightarrow \sum_k \mathbf{Y}_{\nu ki}^* \log \left( \frac{\Lambda}{M_k} \right) \mathbf{Y}_{\nu kj}$

Which is necessarily different from zero (unless cancellations take place)

## Assume:

- No cancellations
- hierarchical neutrino Yukawa eigenvalues:  $y_1 \ll y_2 \ll y_3$   
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For  $\theta_{13} = 0.2$ , and  $O(1)$  phases

$$|d_e| \gtrsim 10^{-27} \left( \frac{y_1}{2} \right)^4 \text{ e cm} \left( \frac{m_S}{200 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-2}$$

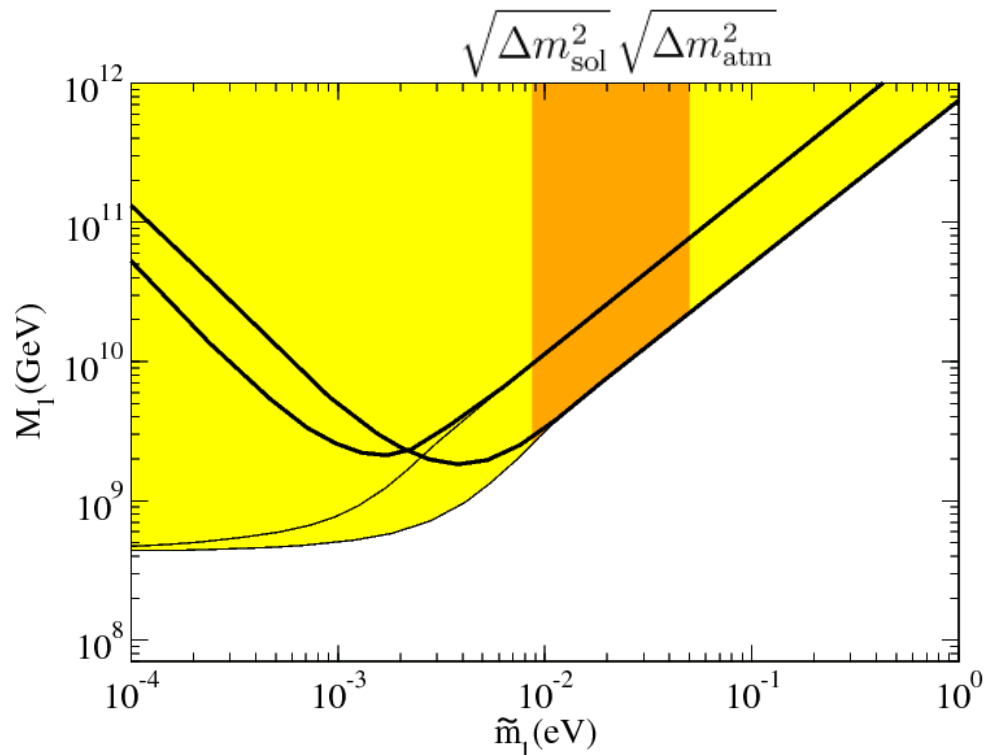
Where the smallest Yukawa coupling is related to the lightest right-handed neutrino mass through:  $M_1 \lesssim \frac{y_1^2 \langle H_u^0 \rangle^2}{\sqrt{\Delta m_{\text{sol}}^2}}$

$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \gtrsim 1.2 \times 10^{-11} \left( \frac{M_1}{5 \times 10^{12} \text{ GeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m_S}{200 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-4} \left( \frac{\tan \beta}{10} \right)^2$$

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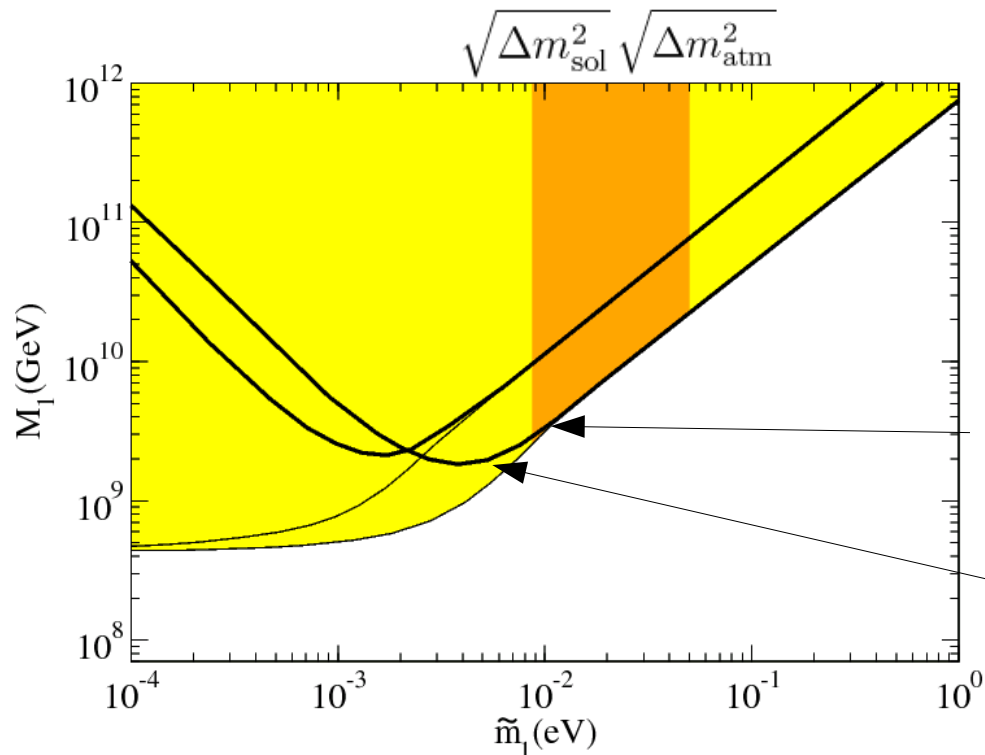
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PRISM/PRIME at JPARC aims to a sensitivity to  $\mu\text{Ti}-e\text{Ti}$  at the level of  $10^{-18}$  (equivalent to  $\sim 10^{-16}$  in  $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$ ). Part of the parameter space can be covered

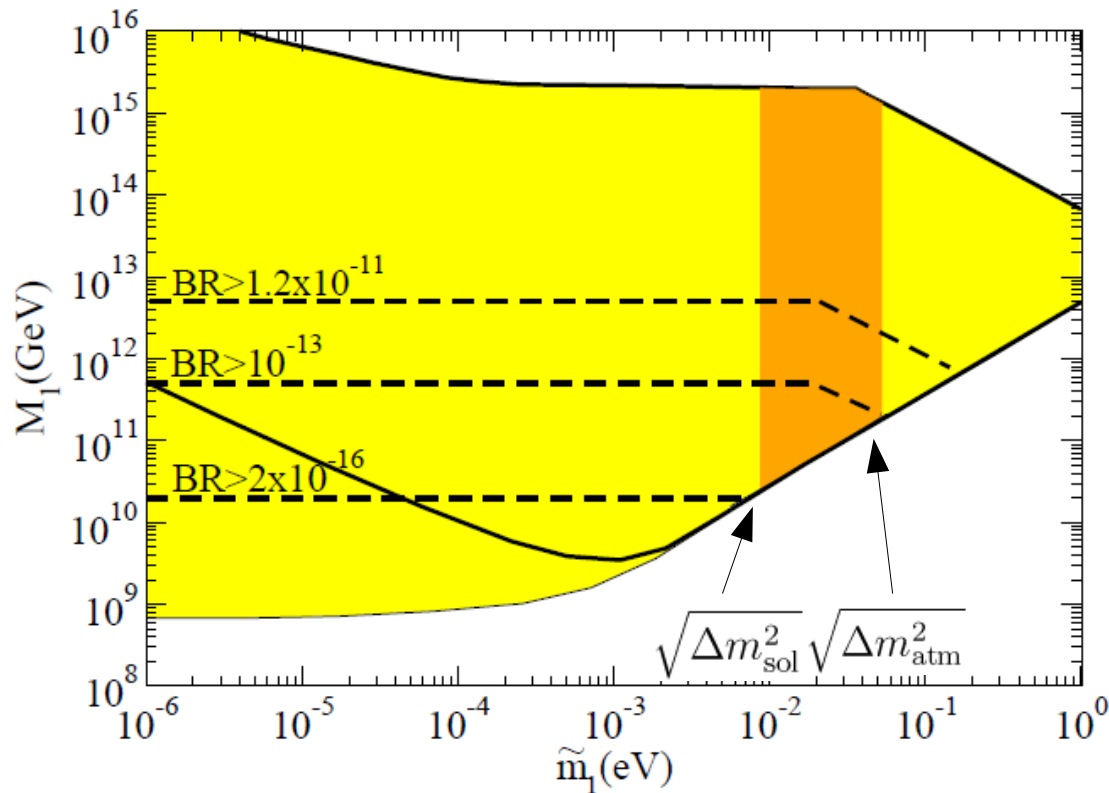
$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \gtrsim 5 \times 10^{-18} \left( \frac{m_S}{200 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-4} \left( \frac{\tan \beta}{10} \right)^2$$

$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \gtrsim 5 \times 10^{-19} \left( \frac{m_S}{200 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-4} \left( \frac{\tan \beta}{10} \right)^2$$

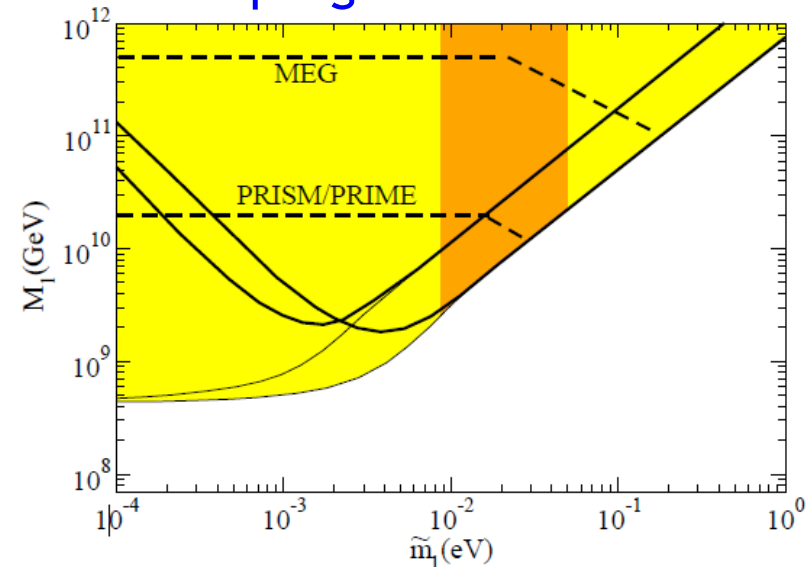
# Probing SUSY leptogenesis with $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$

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## Including flavour effects in leptogenesis





# Type II see-saw model

There is a tight connection between the flavour structure of the complete theory and the effective theory

$$W = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \mathbf{Y}_{\Delta ij} L_i \Delta L_j + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \lambda H_u \bar{\Delta} H_u + M_{\Delta} \bar{\Delta} \Delta$$



$$\mathcal{M}_{\nu ij} = \frac{\lambda_2 \langle H_u^0 \rangle^2}{M_{\Delta}} \mathbf{Y}_{\Delta ij}$$

If this is the only source of LFV, the low energy flavour structure of the slepton mass matrix is dictated by the flavour structure of the neutrino mass matrix Rossi

$$\delta \mathbf{m}_{Lij}^2 \propto m_0^2 (\mathbf{Y}_{\Delta}^{\dagger} \mathbf{Y}_{\Delta})_{ij} \log \frac{\Lambda}{M_{\Delta}} = m_0^2 \left( \frac{M_{\Delta}}{\lambda_2 \langle H_u^0 \rangle^2} \right)^2 (\mathcal{M}_{\nu}^{\dagger} \mathcal{M}_{\nu})_{ij} \log \frac{\Lambda}{M_{\Delta}}$$

**Correlations!!**

$$\frac{BR(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma)}{BR(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma)} \sim 10^3$$

$$\frac{BR(\tau \rightarrow e \gamma)}{BR(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma)} \sim 10^{-1}$$

# Conclusions

- Lepton flavour violation and electric dipole moments are **very powerful** tools to probe physics beyond the Standard Model.
- Huge experimental effort ongoing to constrain (hopefully discover) leptonic rare decays or EDMs. On the theory side, there is also an intense activity computing predictions in particular scenarios.
- Within a particular model (MSSM, RS, LHT...), correlations between processes violating the same flavours can be derived. **Tests!**
- Correlations between processes violating different flavours are more difficult to derive, but possible under certain assumptions:
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  - ★ **SUSY+type II see-saw:**  $\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)/\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim 10^3$