Lepton flavor violation: where are we?

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Flavour Physics in the LHC era

LHC [high p_T]

A *unique* effort toward the high-energy frontier

[to determine the energy scale of NP]

Flavour physics

Improved CKM fits

Rare B decays

CPV in the Bs system

LFV in μ & τ decays

Universality tests in B & K

EDMs

Rare K decays

g-2

A *collective* effort toward the high-intensity frontier
[to determine the flavour structure of NP]

[Isidori @ LP07]

NP search strategies

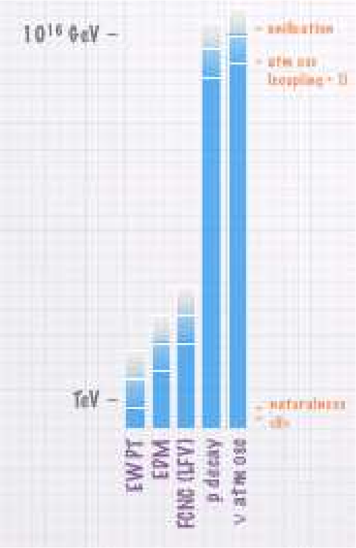
Where to look for New Physics at the low energy?

- **Processes very suppressed or even forbidden in the SM**
  - FCNC processes ($\mu \to e\gamma$, $\tau \to \mu\gamma$, $B^0_{s,d} \to \mu^+\mu^-$, $K \to \pi\nu\bar{\nu}$)
  - CPV effects in the electron/neutron EDMs, $d_{e,n}$...
  - FCNC & CPV in $B_{s,d}$ decay/mixing & D mixing amplitudes

- **Processes predicted with high precision in the SM**
  - EWPO as $\Delta\rho$, $(g-2)_\mu$....
  - LU in $R_M^{e/\mu} = \Gamma(K(\pi) \to e\nu)/\Gamma(K(\pi) \to \mu\nu)$

$$\mathrm{BR}(\ell_i \to \ell_j \gamma) \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda_{NP}^4}$$

- **Gravity** $\Longrightarrow$ $\Lambda_{\text{Planck}} \sim 10^{18-19}\ \mathrm{GeV}$
- **Neutrino masses** $\Longrightarrow$ $\Lambda_{\text{see-saw}} \lesssim 10^{15}\ \mathrm{GeV}$
- **Hierarchy problem**: $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \lesssim \mathrm{TeV}$
- **Dark Matter** $\Longrightarrow$ $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \lesssim \mathrm{TeV}$
- **BAU**: evidence of CPV beyond SM
  - Electroweak Baryogenesis $\Longrightarrow$ $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \lesssim \mathrm{TeV}$
  - Leptogenesis $\Longrightarrow$ $\Lambda_{\text{see-saw}} \lesssim 10^{15}\ \mathrm{GeV}$
  - ....



Experimental status

Brief status of Lepton Flavor Violation searches

- tau LFV
  - past: CLEO explored up to BRs $\sim 10^{-6}$
  - **present: B-factories are completing exploration up to BRs $\sim 10^{-8}$**
  - future: Super Flavor Factories can explore up to BRs $\sim 10^{-10}$
  - **$\tau \to \mu\gamma$ is the most sensitive channel for most mainstream NP models**
- muon LFV
  - past: LAMPF, MEGA, BF($\mu \to e\gamma$) $< 1.2 \cdot 10^{-11}$ at 90% CL
  - past: SINDRUM II, BF($\mu \to e$ in nucleon field) $< 7 \cdot 10^{-13}$ at 90% CL
  - **present: MEG, BF($\mu \to e\gamma$) $< 1.5 \cdot 10^{-11}$ at 90% CL, (sensitivity $6 \cdot 10^{-12}$)**
  - future: MEG will soon reach sensitivity $\sim 10^{-13}$
  - future: Mu2E and COMET/PRISM can much increase reach on BF($\mu \to e$ in nucleon field)

Process	Expected 90% CL upper limit	3σ evidence reach
BF($\tau \to \mu\gamma$)	$2.4 \cdot 10^{-9}$	$5.4 \cdot 10^{-9}$
BF($\tau \to e\gamma$)	$3.0 \cdot 10^{-9}$	$6.8 \cdot 10^{-9}$
BF($\tau \to \ell\ell\ell$)	$2.3\text{–}8.2 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$1.2\text{–}4.0 \cdot 10^{-9}$

[Lusiani @ HQL10]

LFV frameworks

- **Neutrino Oscillation** $\Rightarrow m_{\nu_i} \neq m_{\nu_j} \Rightarrow$ **LFV**
- **see-saw**: $m_\nu = \frac{(m_\nu^D)^2}{M_R} \sim eV$, $M_R \sim 10^{14-16} \Rightarrow m_\nu^D \sim m_{top}$
- LFV transitions like $\mu \to e\gamma$ @ 1 loop with exchange of
  - W and ν in the SM framework (GIM)

$$Br(\mu \to e\gamma) \sim \frac{m_\nu^4}{M_W^4} \leq 10^{-50} \qquad m_\nu \sim \mathrm{eV}$$

  - $\tilde{W}$ and $\tilde{\nu}$ in the MSSM framework (SUPER-GIM)

$$Br(\mu \to e\gamma) \sim \frac{m_\nu^{D\,4}}{\tilde{m}^4} \leq 10^{-11} \qquad m_\nu^D \sim m_{top}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

- LFV signals are undetectable (detectable) in the SM (MSSM)

Flavour universal SUSY breaking and yet large LFV from SUSY see-saw

- SUSY see-saw superpotential (MSSM + RN)

$$W = h^e L e^c H_1 + h^\nu L \nu^c H_2 + M_R \nu^c \nu^c + \mu H_1 H_2,$$

$$\mathcal{M}_\nu = -h^\nu M_R^{-1} h^{\nu\ T} v_2^2,$$

$$M_{\tilde{\ell}}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} m_L^2(1+\delta_{LL}^{ij}) & (A-\mu t_\beta)m_\ell + m_L m_R \delta_{LR}^{ij} \\ (A-\mu t_\beta)m_\ell + m_L m_R {\delta_{LR}^{ij}}^\dagger & m_R^2(1+\delta_{RR}^{ij}) \end{pmatrix}$$

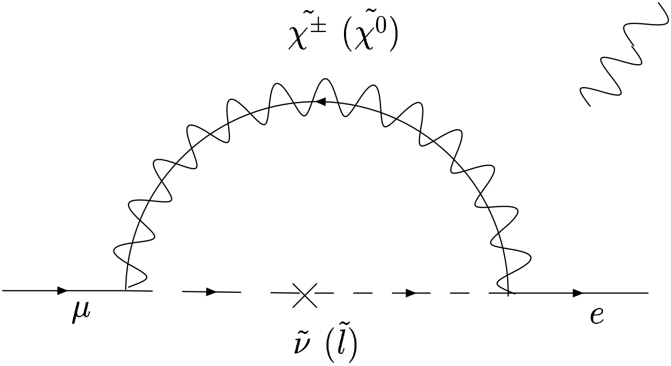
- If $h^e = h^e_{ij}\delta_{ij}$ and $M_R = (M_R)_{ij}\delta_{ij} \Rightarrow h^\nu \neq h^\nu_{ij}\delta_{ij}$ in general.

$$\delta_{LL}^{ij} \approx -\frac{3}{8\pi^2}(h^\nu h^{\nu\dagger})_{ij} \ln\frac{M_X}{M_R},$$

[Borzumati & Masiero, '86]

LFV interactions – leptons/sleptons/gauginos

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\ell}_i \left(C^R_{ijA} P_R + C^L_{ijA} P_L \right) \tilde{\chi}^-_A \tilde{\nu}_j + \bar{\ell}_i \left(N^R_{ijA} P_R + N^L_{ijA} P_L \right) \tilde{\chi}^0_A \tilde{\ell}_j$$



$$\frac{BR(\ell_i \to \ell_j \gamma)}{BR(\ell_i \to \ell_j \nu_i \bar{\nu}_j)} \sim \left(\frac{m_W^4}{m_{SUSY}^4} \right) \left(\delta_{LL}^{21} \right)^2 t_\beta^2 \qquad \delta_{LL} \sim h^\nu h^{\nu\dagger}$$

h^ν is unknown $\Rightarrow$ No model independent predictions for LFV

$$h^\nu = U^\star_{\mathrm{MNS}}\, \mathcal{D}_{\sqrt{\mathcal{M}_\nu}}\, R^T\, \mathcal{D}_{\sqrt{M_R}}\, \frac{1}{v_2},$$

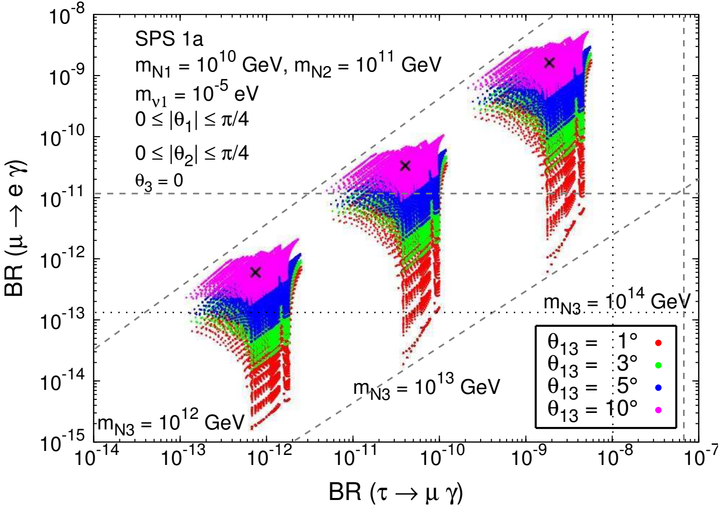
$R^\dagger R = 1 \Rightarrow$ **three angles** and **three phases**

- ν_L **&** ν_R **hierarchical (and R real)**

$$\frac{B(\mu \to e\gamma)}{B(\tau \to \mu\gamma)} \sim \frac{|U_{e3}|^2}{B(\tau \to \mu\nu_\tau\bar{\nu}_\mu)}$$

- ν_L **hierarchical and** ν_R **degenerate (and R real)**

$$\frac{B(\mu \to e\gamma)}{B(\tau \to \mu\gamma)} \sim \frac{|s_{12}c_{12}\,(m_{sol}/m_{atm}) + U_{e3}|^2}{B(\tau \to \mu\nu_\tau\bar{\nu}_\mu)}$$



[Herrero et al., '06]

RG induced LFV interactions in SUSY GUTs

- **SUSY SU(5)** [Barbieri & Hall, '95]

$$(\delta^{\tilde{q}}_{LL})_{ij} \sim h^u h^{u\dagger}{}_{ij} \sim h_t^2 V^{ik}_{CKM} V^{kj*}_{CKM} \longrightarrow (\delta^{\tilde{\ell}}_{RR})_{ij} \simeq (\delta^{\tilde{q}}_{LL})_{ij}$$

- **SUSY SU(5)+RN** [Yanagida et al., '95]

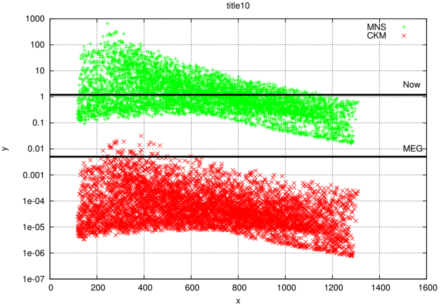
$$(\delta^{\tilde{\ell}}_{LL})_{ij} \sim (h^\nu h^{\nu\dagger})_{ij} \qquad \& \qquad (\delta^{\tilde{\ell}}_{RR})_{ij} \sim (h^u h^{u\dagger})_{ij}$$

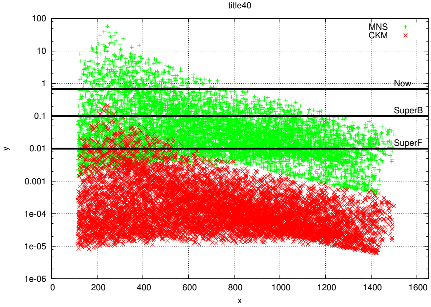
- **SUSY SU(5)+RN** [Moroi, '00] **&** **SO(10)** [Chang, Masiero & Murayama, '02]

$$\sin\theta_{\mu\tau} \sim \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \Rightarrow (\delta^{\tilde{\ell}}_{LL})_{23} \sim 1 \Rightarrow (\delta^{\tilde{q}}_{RR})_{23} \sim 1$$

$\mu \to e\gamma$ and $\tau \to \mu\gamma$ in SUSY SO(10)

Br($\mu \to e\gamma$) **Br($\tau \to \mu\gamma$)**



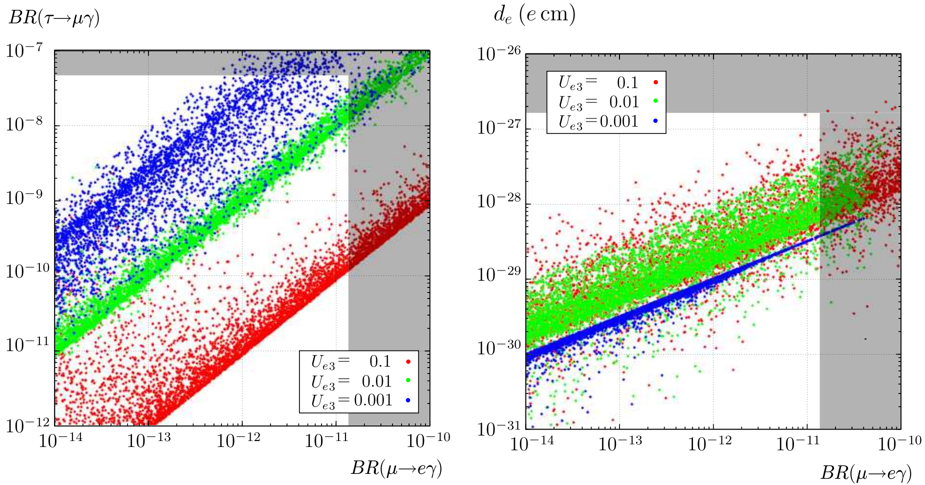


$M_{1/2}$ $M_{1/2}$

$m_0 \leq 1\,\mathrm{TeV}$, $\tan\beta = 40$

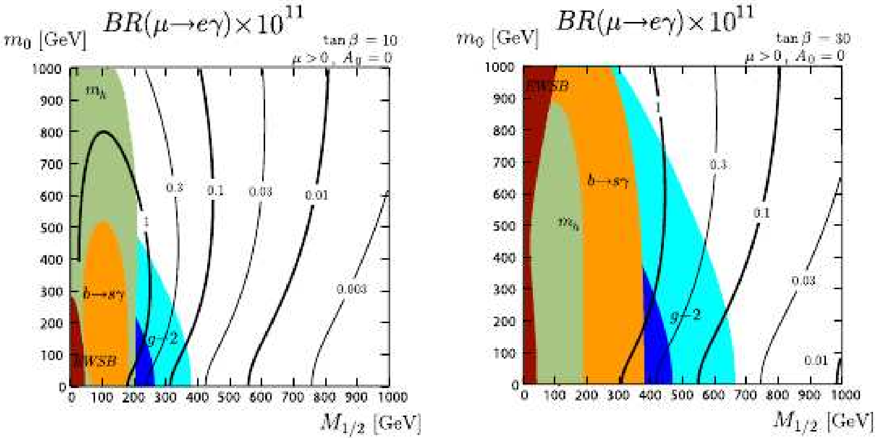
[Calibbi, Faccia, Masiero and Vempati, '06]

$\mu \to e\gamma$ and $\tau \to \mu\gamma$ in SUSY SU(5)+RN



hierarchical ν_L and N_R, $U_{e3} = 0.1$, $M_{N_3} = 10^{-13}\,\mathrm{GeV}$

[Hisano, Nagai, Paradisi & Shimizu, '09]



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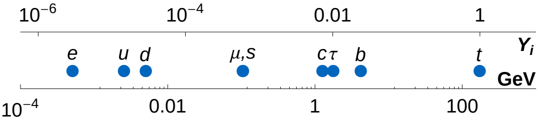
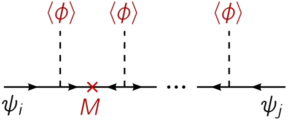
SM vs. NP flavor puzzle



$V_{\mathrm{CKM}} \sim$ 

Froggat-Nielsen '79: Hierarchies from SSB of a Flavour Symmetry

$$\epsilon = \frac{\langle \phi \rangle}{M} \ll 1 \Rightarrow Y_{ij} \propto \epsilon^{(a_i+b_j)}$$

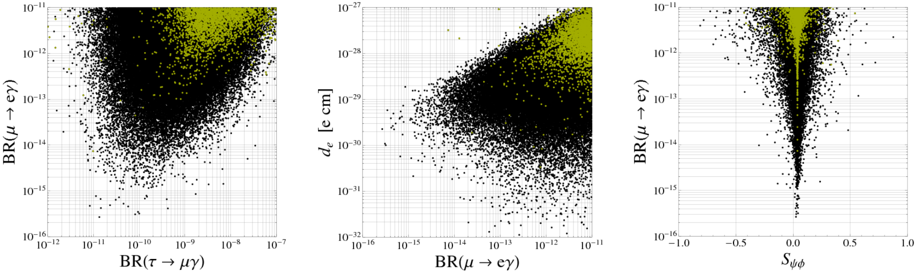


Non-abelian $SU(3)$ SUSY flavour model [Ross, Velasco-S., Vives]

$$\delta_d^{LL} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \lambda^5 & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda^5 & \cdot & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda & \cdot \end{pmatrix} \qquad \delta_d^{RR} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & \cdot & \lambda \\ \lambda^2 & \lambda & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

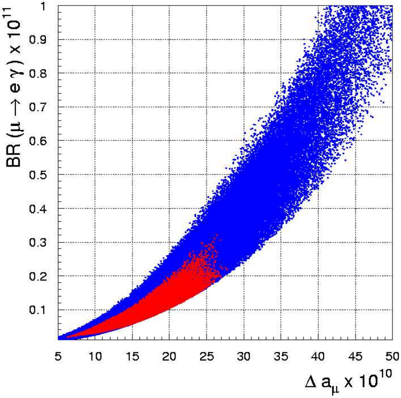
$$\delta_\ell^{LL} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \frac{\lambda^5}{3} & \frac{\lambda^3}{3} \\ \frac{\lambda^5}{3} & \cdot & \lambda^2 \\ \frac{\lambda^3}{3} & \lambda & \cdot \end{pmatrix} \qquad \delta_\ell^{RR} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \frac{\lambda^3}{3} & \frac{\lambda^2}{3} \\ \frac{\lambda^3}{3} & \cdot & \lambda \\ \frac{\lambda^2}{3} & \lambda & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

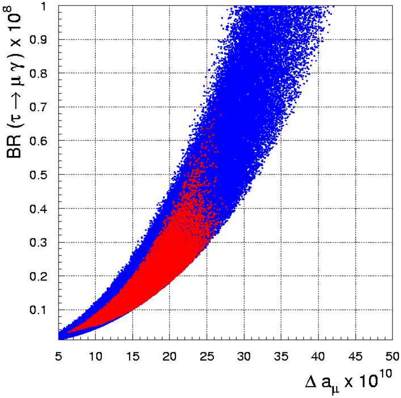
Phenomenology of a SUSY SU(3) flavor models



- Yellow points satisfy $\Delta a_\mu > 10^{-9}$
- Scan ranges: $m_0 < 2$ TeV, $M_{1/2} < 1$ TeV, $|A_0| < 3m_0$, $5 < \tan\beta < 55$

[Altmannshofer, Buras, Gori, Paradisi and Straub, '09]





$|\delta_{LL}^{12}| = 10^{-4}$ and $|\delta_{LL}^{23}| = 10^{-2}$,

[Isidori, Mescia, Paradisi & Temes, 07]

$$BR(\ell_i \to \ell_j\gamma) \approx \left[\frac{\Delta a_\mu}{20\times 10^{-10}}\right]^2 \times \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 1\times 10^{-4} & \left|\delta_{LL}^{12}\right|^2 & [\mu\to e] \\ 2\times 10^{-5} & \left|\delta_{LL}^{23}\right|^2 & [\tau\to\mu] \end{array} \right\}$$

Pattern of LFV in NP models

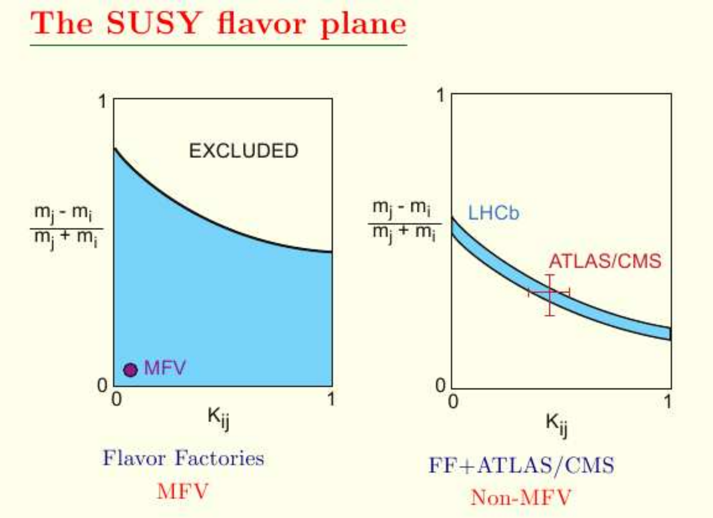
- **Ratios of BR for different flavor transitions**
- **Ratios of BR for different processes**

ratio	LHT	MSSM	SM4
$\frac{Br(\mu\to eee)}{Br(\mu\to e\gamma)}$	$0.02\ldots1$	$\sim 2\cdot10^{-3}$	$0.06\ldots2.2$
$\frac{Br(\tau\to eee)}{Br(\tau\to e\gamma)}$	$0.04\ldots0.4$	$\sim 1\cdot10^{-2}$	$0.07\ldots2.2$
$\frac{Br(\tau\to\mu\mu\mu)}{Br(\tau\to\mu\gamma)}$	$0.04\ldots0.4$	$\sim 2\cdot10^{-3}$	$0.06\ldots2.2$
$\frac{Br(\tau\to e\mu\mu)}{Br(\tau\to e\gamma)}$	$0.04\ldots0.3$	$\sim 2\cdot10^{-3}$	$0.03\ldots1.3$
$\frac{Br(\tau\to\mu ee)}{Br(\tau\to\mu\gamma)}$	$0.04\ldots0.3$	$\sim 1\cdot10^{-2}$	$0.04\ldots1.4$
$\frac{Br(\tau\to eee)}{Br(\tau\to e\mu\mu)}$	$0.8\ldots2$	~ 5	$1.5\ldots2.3$
$\frac{Br(\tau\to\mu\mu\mu)}{Br(\tau\to\mu ee)}$	$0.7\ldots1.6$	~ 0.2	$1.4\ldots1.7$
$\frac{\mathrm{R}(\mu\mathrm{Ti}\to e\mathrm{Ti})}{Br(\mu\to e\gamma)}$	$10^{-3}\ldots10^{2}$	$\sim 5\cdot10^{-3}$	$10^{-12}\ldots26$

[Buras et al., ’07, ’10]

Open questions

1. **Which is the underlying mechanism regulating the EWSB?**
2. **Which is the connection (if any) between EWSB and flavor physics?**
3. **Are there new flavor symmetries beyind the puzzling fermion mass spectrum?**
4. **Are there new flavor violating interactions not governed by the SM Yukawas? That is, to which extent the MFV hypothesis is valid?**
5. **Do the new sources of CPV accounting for the BAU have an impact on flavor physics and/or EDMs?**
6. **Which is the role of flavor physics in the LHC era?**
7. **Do we expect to understand the (SM and NP) flavor puzzles through the interplay of flavor physics and the LHC?**
8. **......**



[Nir @ Planck '09]