

Lepton Flavor Violating Decay of True Muonium

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Work in Progress

Lepton Flavor Violation

LFV (Lepton Flavor Violation)

Standard model: Exact conservation of lepton flavor
→ Evidence for BSM (e.g., Neutrino Oscillations).

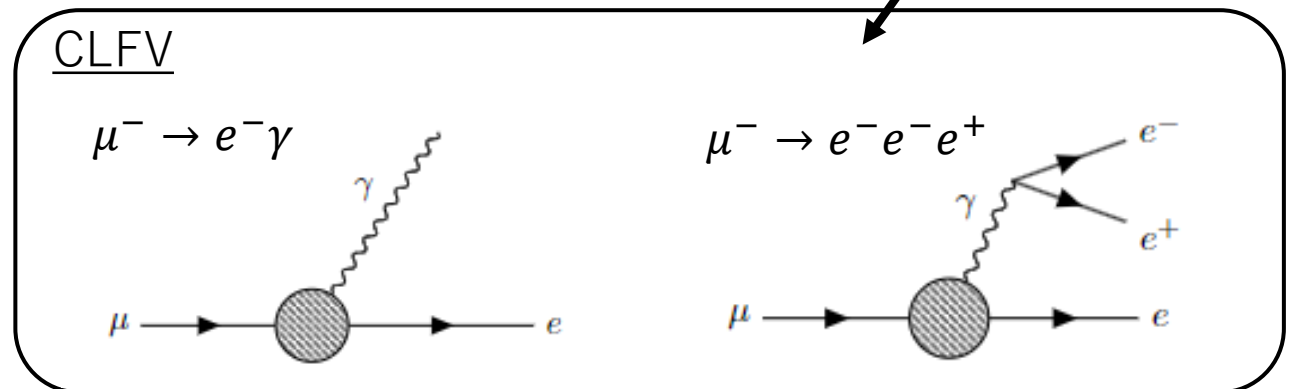
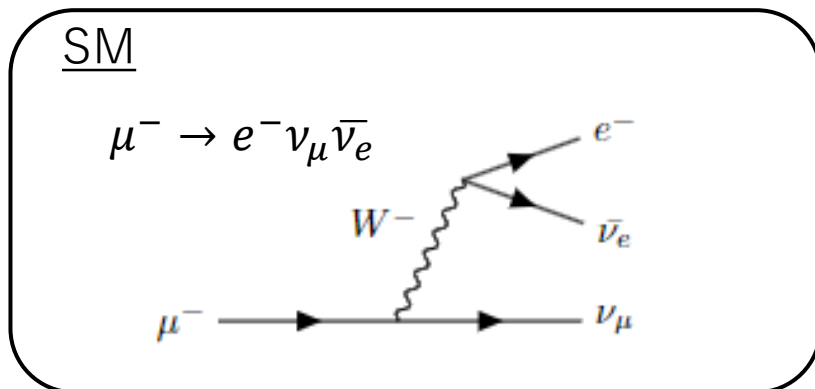
$BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 10^{-54}$
(SM + ν oscillation)
→ **extremely small**

CLFV (Charged Lepton Flavor Violation)

If discovered, it would be direct evidence of new physics
→ MEG, SINDRUM, COMET, Mu3e, DeeMe, Mu2e

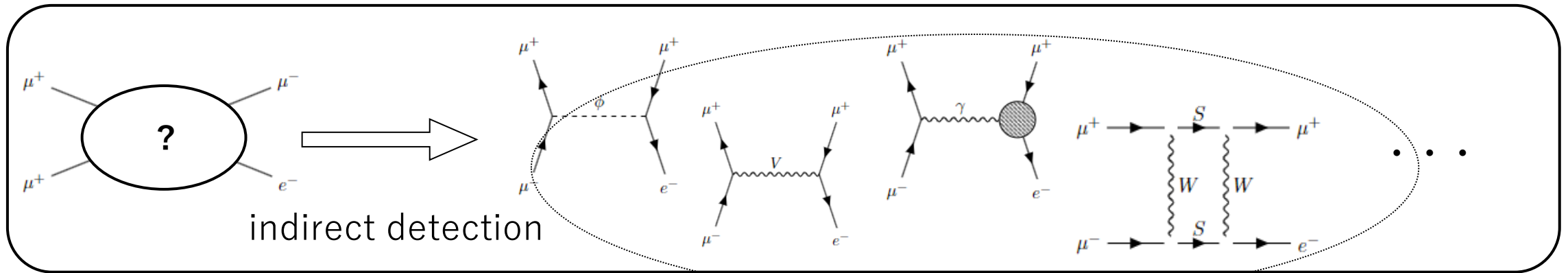
$L_\mu: 1 \rightarrow 0$
 $L_e: 0 \rightarrow 1$ **LFV !**

Muon LFV is a hot topic right now!



Motivation

If LFV is observed, how can we identify the underlying physics?



Identify LFV mediator by comparing with other LFV channels.

→ **The more LFV channels we have, the better.**

$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$
 $\mu \rightarrow 3e$
 ...

A new LFV channel : $(\mu^+ \mu^-) \rightarrow \mu^\pm e^\mp$

Verification of low-energy processes induced by the $\mu\mu\mu e$ operator

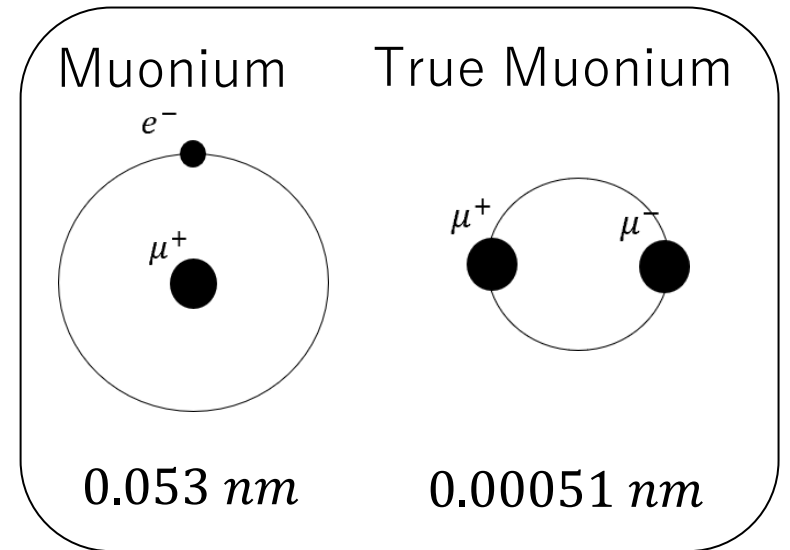
What is True Muonium?

True Muonium : $\mu^+ \mu^-$ bound state

(Muonium: $\mu^+ e^-$ bound state)

→ Decay process of True Muonium

- Experimentally undiscovered → Production processes are proposed



Candidates for production processes

- 1 : Electron-positron accelerator collisions ($e^+ e^- \rightarrow (\mu^+ \mu^-)$) [1]
- 2 : Collision with a fixed target ($eZ \rightarrow (\mu^+ \mu^-) X$, Jlab HPS, CERN DIRAC) [2]
- 3 : Meson decay ($\eta \rightarrow (\mu^+ \mu^-) \gamma$, $K_L \rightarrow (\mu^+ \mu^-) \gamma$) [3] (LHCb)
- 4 : $\mu^+ \mu^-$ -collision ($\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow (\mu^+ \mu^-) \gamma$, $\gamma \mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow (\mu^+ \mu^-) 2\gamma$, $\mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \rightarrow (\mu^+ \mu^-) \gamma$) [4]

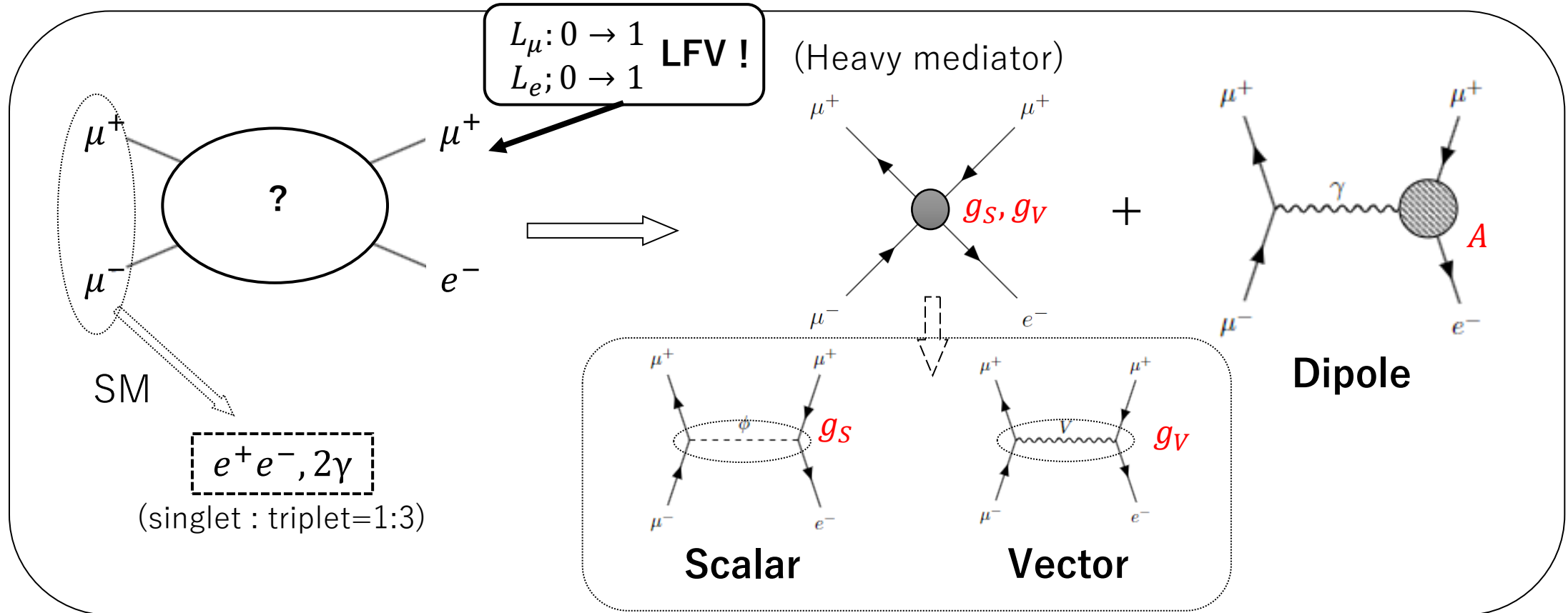
Why True Muonium?

- Difficulty of muon acceleration
- Small background

- Introduction
- **Interaction Lagrangian**
- Numerical result, background

Types of Operator

- Scalar, Vector, Dipole-type operator



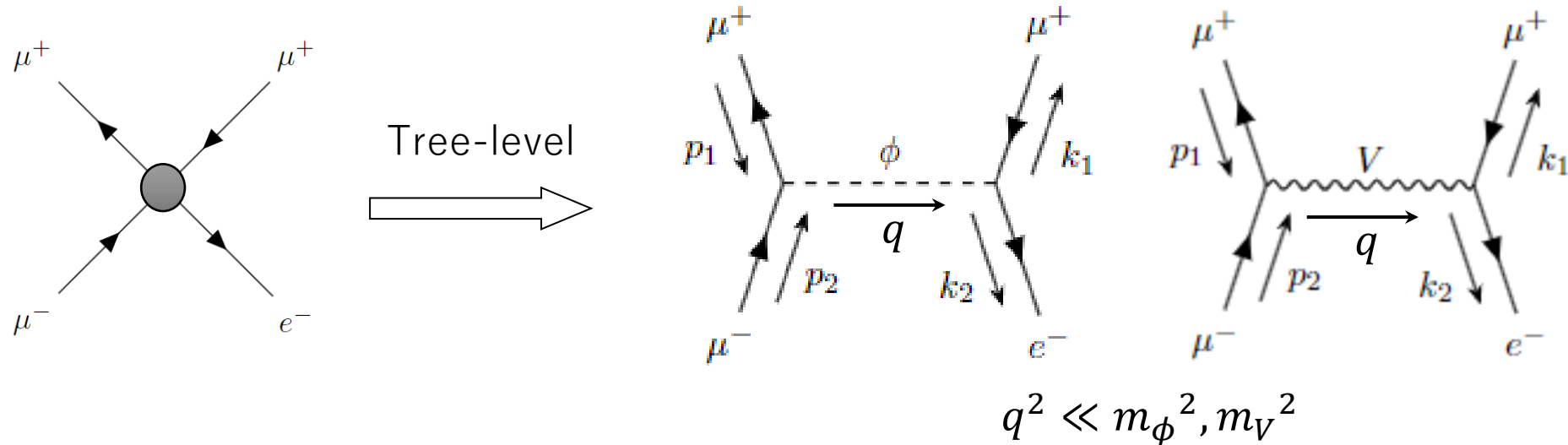
Evaluate the BR as a function of g_S, g_V, A

↓ Chirality (L,R)

$(g_{SLL}, g_{SRR}, g_{VLL}, g_{VRR}, g_{VRL}, g_{VLR}, A_L, A_R)$

Scalar, Vector-type Operator (Four-Fermi)

Heavy mediator can be treated as contact interactions.

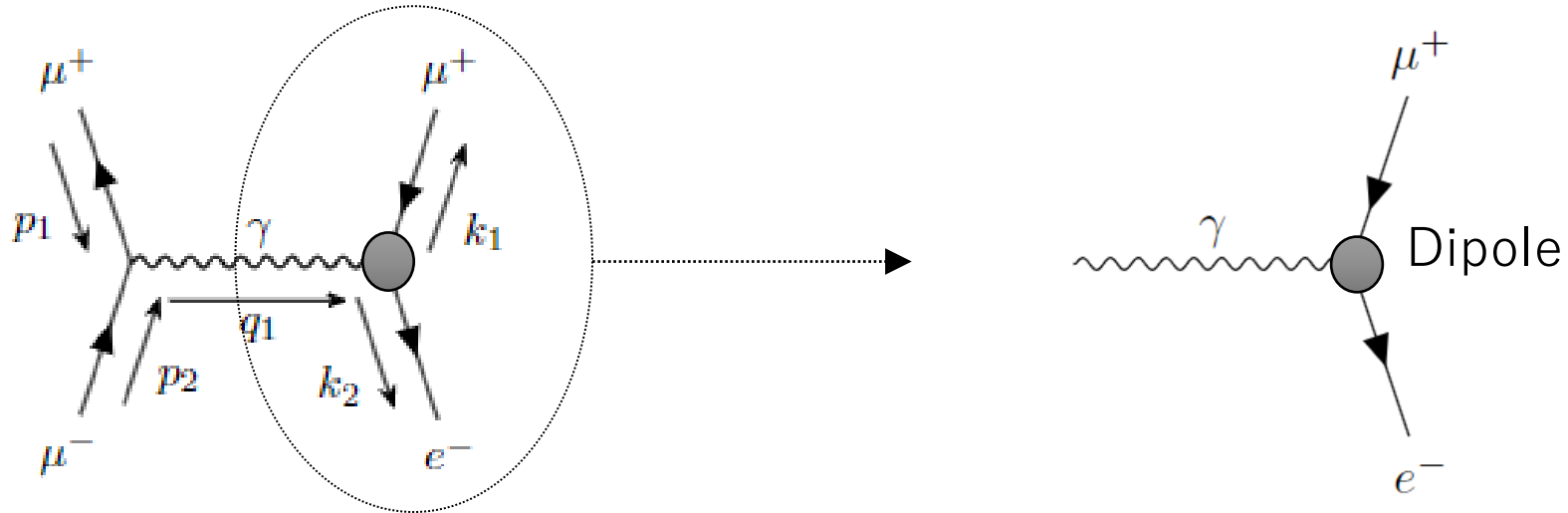


$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{(S)} \supset -\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} [g_{SLL}(\bar{\psi}_\mu P_L \psi_\mu)(\bar{\psi}_e P_L \psi_e) + g_{SRR}(\bar{\psi}_\mu P_R \psi_\mu)(\bar{\psi}_e P_R \psi_e)]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{(V)} \supset -\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} [g_{VLL}(\bar{\psi}_e \gamma^\mu P_L \psi_e)(\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_\mu P_L \psi_\mu) + g_{VRR}(\bar{\psi}_e \gamma^\mu P_R \psi_e)(\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_\mu P_R \psi_\mu) \\ + g_{VRL}(\bar{\psi}_e \gamma^\mu P_R \psi_e)(\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_\mu P_L \psi_\mu) + g_{VLR}(\bar{\psi}_e \gamma^\mu P_L \psi_e)(\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_\mu P_R \psi_\mu)]$$

Dipole-type Operator

Dipole-type operator + gauge interaction
 dipole-type loop that induces $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$.



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{(D)} \supset -e\bar{\psi}_\mu\gamma^\mu A_\mu\psi_\mu - \frac{v_{\text{Higgs}}}{\Lambda^2} (A_L\bar{\psi}_e\sigma^{\mu\nu}P_L\psi_\mu F_{\mu\nu} + A_R\bar{\psi}_e\sigma^{\mu\nu}P_R\psi_\mu F_{\mu\nu})$$

→ Evaluate the BR as a function of $g_{SLL}, g_{SRR}, g_{VLL}, g_{VRR}, g_{VLR}, g_{VRL}, A_L, A_R$

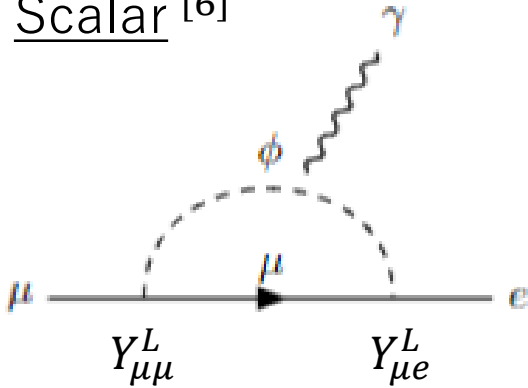
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Upper Limit of Coupling Constant

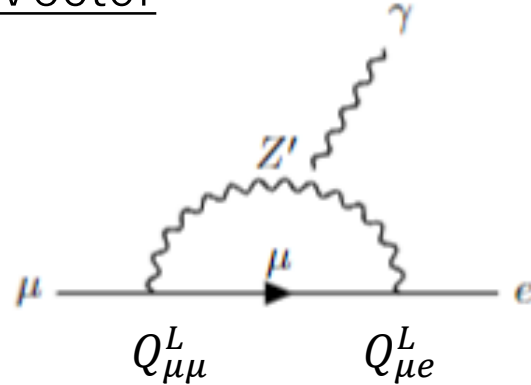
Constraints from MEG+MEG II [5]

$$\underline{BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 3.1 \times 10^{-13}}$$

Scalar [6]

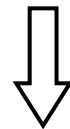


Vector [7]



$$\mathcal{L}_{Sint} = -\bar{\psi}_i Y_{ij} \psi_j \phi + h.c.$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{Vint} = -\bar{\psi}_i Q_{ij} \gamma^\mu \psi_j Z'_\mu + h.c.$$

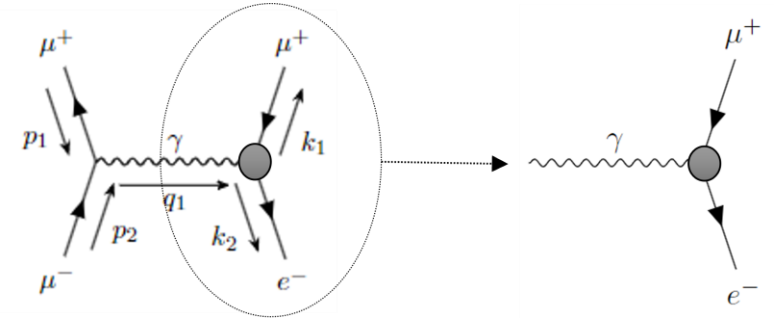


(Four-Fermi)

$$\frac{g_{SLL}}{\Lambda^2} = \frac{Y_{\mu e}^L Y_{\mu\mu}^L}{m_\phi^2}$$

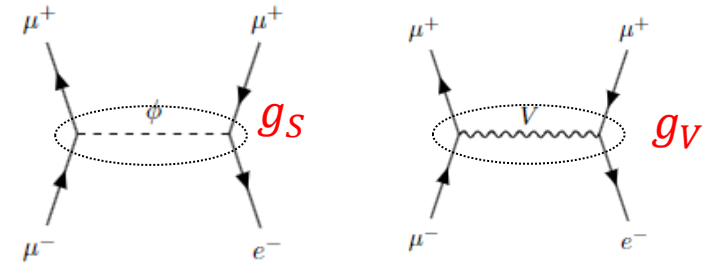
$$\frac{g_{VLL}}{\Lambda^2} = \frac{Q_{\mu e}^L Q_{\mu\mu}^L}{m_{Z'}^2}$$

Dipole [8]



$$A_L^2 + A_R^2 \lesssim 1.64 \times 10^{-20}$$

Scalar, Vector



$$g_{SLL}^2 + g_{SRR}^2 \lesssim 3.35 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$g_{VLL}^2 + g_{VRR}^2 \lesssim 2.18 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$g_{VLR}^2 + g_{VRL}^2 \lesssim 2.42 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$(\Lambda \sim 1 [TeV])$$

Branching Ratio Evaluation

Branching ratio (\rightarrow Ignoring interference terms, $m_e \sim 0$)

$$BR(\mu\mu \rightarrow \mu e) = \frac{\Gamma(\mu\mu \rightarrow \mu e)}{\Gamma(\mu\mu)}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1[\text{TeV}]}{\Lambda[\text{TeV}]} \right)^4 [2.64 \times 10^{-15}(|g_{SLL}|^2 + |g_{SRR}|^2) + 4.22 \times 10^{-14}(|g_{VLL}|^2 + |g_{VRR}|^2) + 3.59 \times 10^{-14}(|g_{VLR}|^2 + |g_{VRL}|^2)$$

$$+ 1.69 \times 10^{-14}(g_{VLL}g_{VLR}^* + g_{VRR}g_{VRL}^*) + 1.13 \times 10^{-7}(|A_L|^2 + |A_R|^2) + (\text{SVD interference terms})]$$

Constraints from MEG+MEG II Experiments [5]

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$$\Downarrow (\Lambda \sim 1[\text{TeV}])$$

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Result

(e.g., Scalar-type)

$$g_S \equiv g_{SLL} = g_{SRR}, g_V = 0, A=0$$

Upper Limit of BR

$$A_L \rightarrow BR(\mu\mu \rightarrow \mu e) < 10^{-27}$$

$$g_S \rightarrow BR(\mu\mu \rightarrow \mu e) < 10^{-24}$$

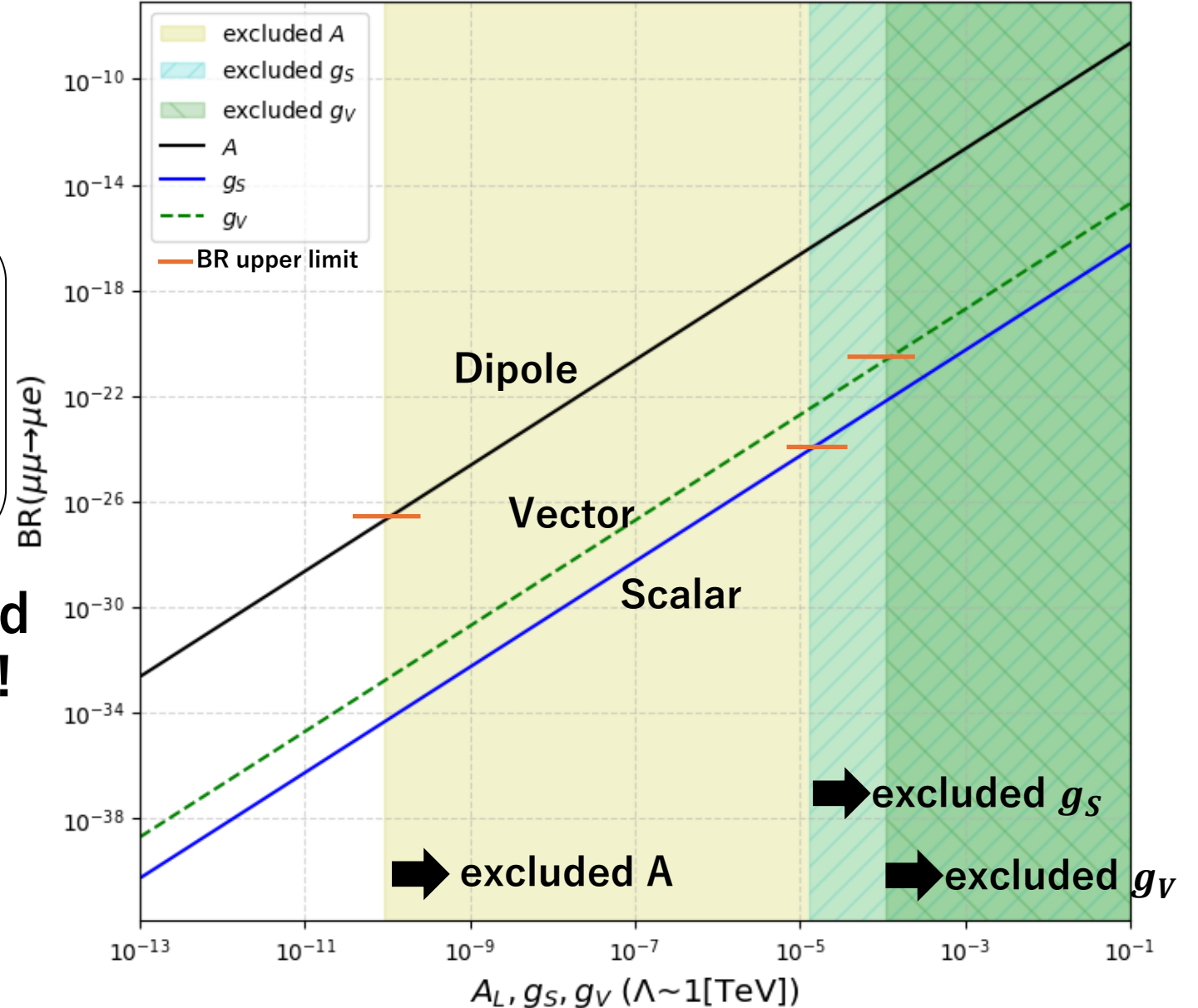
$$g_V \rightarrow BR(\mu\mu \rightarrow \mu e) < 10^{-21}$$

→ **10^{21} True Muonium could shed light on new way to LFV search!**

muon collider
neutrino factory [9]

Technological improvement
enables LFV verification!

Branching Ratio for Each Coupling Constant



Discriminate the signals

Signal

- $\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow \mu^\pm e^\mp$

(back-to-back, $E_\mu \simeq 5m_\mu/4$, $|\mathbf{p}_\mu| \simeq 3m_\mu/4$, $E_e \simeq 3m_\mu/4$, $|\mathbf{p}_e| \simeq 3m_\mu/4$)

Background

The most problematic

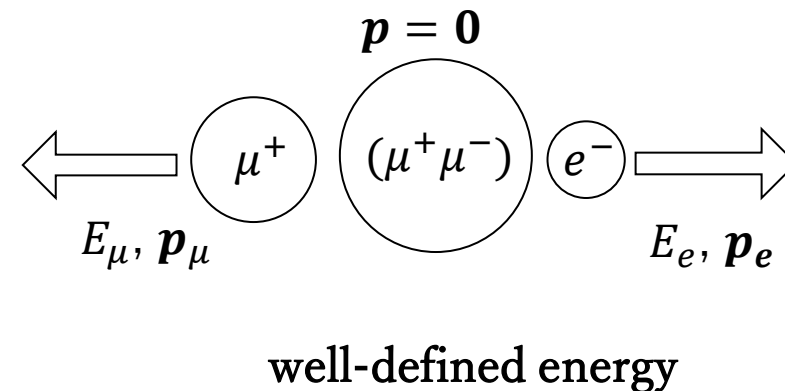
- $\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow e^+ e^- \gamma$ ($E_e \simeq 3m_\mu/4$)

- $\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ ($E_\mu \simeq 5m_\mu/4$)

→accidental detection

...etc

→Identification by the angular, timing, and momentum of μ, e



Summary

- Proposed a new LFV reaction: $(\mu^+ \mu^-) \rightarrow \mu^\pm e^\mp$.
- Evaluated three operator types: scalar, vector, and dipole.
- **10^{21}** True Muonium could shed light on new way to LFV search

Future Work

- Investigate singlet and triplet-specific reactions.
 - Consider mediators not constrained by $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ (e.g., sterile ν)
 - Explore off-shell photon dipole interactions constrained by $\mu \rightarrow 3e$
- **Precise calculations more clearly shed light on the physics behind CLFV**

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