

# Lepton flavor violation in the MSSM

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New Physics models come with extended flavor sector: SUSY, fermion mass models, neutrino seesaw models, dark flavor, ...

Usually:

- flavor transitions encoded in off-diagonal elements of mass matrices of heavy particles, so-called “Mass Insertions” (MI).
- heavy particle exchanges generate new effective flavor interactions of the SM fields.

Extended flavor sector often complicated - effective techniques of calculating transition amplitudes needed.

## Two approaches to amplitude calculations:

- in “symmetry” basis, before the mass matrix diagonalization, MI’s treated as new interaction vertices:
  - ▶ **Pro:** direct dependence on original symmetry-related parameters.
  - ▶ **Con:** tedious diagrammatic calculations, combinatorial complication grows quickly with MI order. Amplitude expressed as double infinite series, in loop order and MI order.
- in “mass eigenstates” basis, in terms of physical fields after mass matrix diagonalization.
  - ▶ **Pro:** compact expressions, exact formulae in terms of flavor changing parameters.
  - ▶ **Con:** complicated non-linear dependence on initial symmetry-related parameters, effects can be analyzed only numerically.

Dedes, Paraskevas, JR, Suxho, Tamvakis 2015: **Transition from mass basis to interaction basis amplitudes can be done using purely algebraic techniques!**

- No need for diagrammatic calculations with Mass Insertions, MI expansion derived directly from mass basis amplitude
- Method fully automatized in the symbolic *Mathematica* package *MassToMI* (JR 2016, [www.fuw.edu.pl/masstomi](http://www.fuw.edu.pl/masstomi))

**Not only SUSY: technique applicable to any New Physics flavor model.**

**Application – review of LFV violation in the MSSM, without any constraints on SUSY spectrum (Crivellin, Fabisiewicz, Materkowska, Nierste, Pokorski, JR, arxiv:1802.06803).**

Included processes:

$$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma, \tau \rightarrow e\gamma, \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$$

$$\mu \rightarrow 3e, \tau \rightarrow 3e, \tau \rightarrow 3\mu, \tau \rightarrow \mu ee, \tau \rightarrow \mu\mu e$$

$$\mu \rightarrow e \text{ conversion in Nuclei}$$

$$h \rightarrow \mu e, h \rightarrow \tau e, h \rightarrow \tau\mu$$

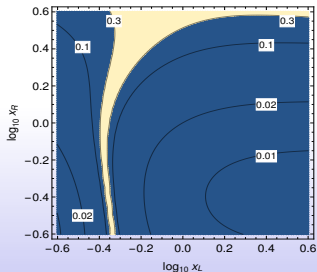
- full analytical results given for all processes, including consistently all terms scaling up to  $1/M_{SUSY}^2$ .
- updated upper bounds derived on dimensionless slepton mass insertions ( $X = L, R$  - slepton “chiralities”,  $I, J = e, \mu, \tau$  - slepton flavors):

$$\Delta_{XY}^{IJ} = \frac{(M_{XY}^2)^{IJ}}{((M_{XX}^2)^{II}(M_{YY}^2)^{JJ})^{1/2}}$$

**Current experimental accuracies: strongest bounds given by the radiative lepton decays  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma, \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma, e\gamma$**

“Blind spots” exists: for some SUSY mass spectra bounds from radiative decays may become weak or vanish entirely.

Plot: bounds on  $\Delta_{RR}^{e\mu}$  vs.  $x_{L(R)} = \frac{m_{\tilde{\mu}_{L(R)}}}{M_2}$ , vanish for  $m_{\tilde{e}_L} \approx m_{\tilde{\mu}_L} \sim 0.4M_2$ .



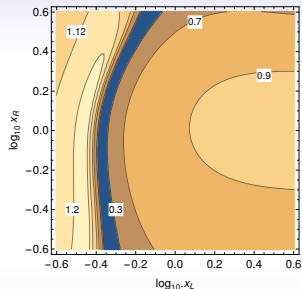
## Complementary measurement: 3-body decays $l \rightarrow l' l'' l'''$

- current bounds 1-2 orders of magnitude weaker than from  $l \rightarrow l' \gamma$
- usually closely correlated (“photon penguin domination scenario”)

$$R_{\ell\ell'} = \frac{\alpha_{em}}{3\pi} \left( \log \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_{\ell'}^2} - \frac{11}{4} \right) \frac{\text{Br}(\ell \rightarrow l' \gamma)}{\text{Br}(\ell \rightarrow 3l')} \approx 1$$

$l \rightarrow 3l'$  decays does not exhibit “blind spots” (plot:  $R_{\mu e}$  vs.  $\frac{m_{\tilde{\mu}_L}}{M_2}, \frac{m_{\tilde{\mu}_R}}{M_2}$ ).

Constraining for any SUSY spectrum  
- important information for developing new LFV experiments.



**Higgs LFV decays  $h \rightarrow ll'$ :** some effects do not decouple with SUSY scale, for very heavy SUSY spectrum may become the most constraining observable!