

Vector vs. Scalar NSI's of the Neutrino

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Non-Standard Interactions:

- ❖ Effects of new physics at **low energies** can be expressed via dimension-six four-fermion operators
- ❖ There are five types:

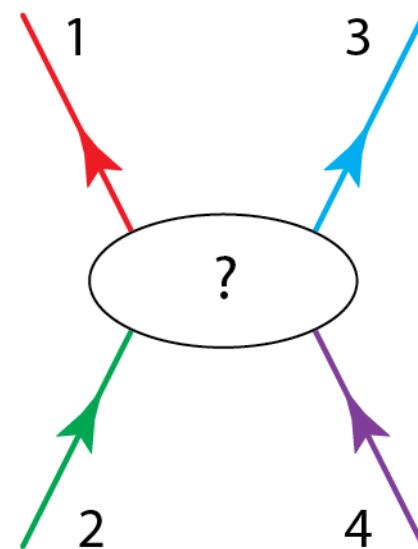
$$e_S(1234) = (\bar{\psi}_1 \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \psi_4)$$

$$e_V(1234) = (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma^\mu \psi_4)$$

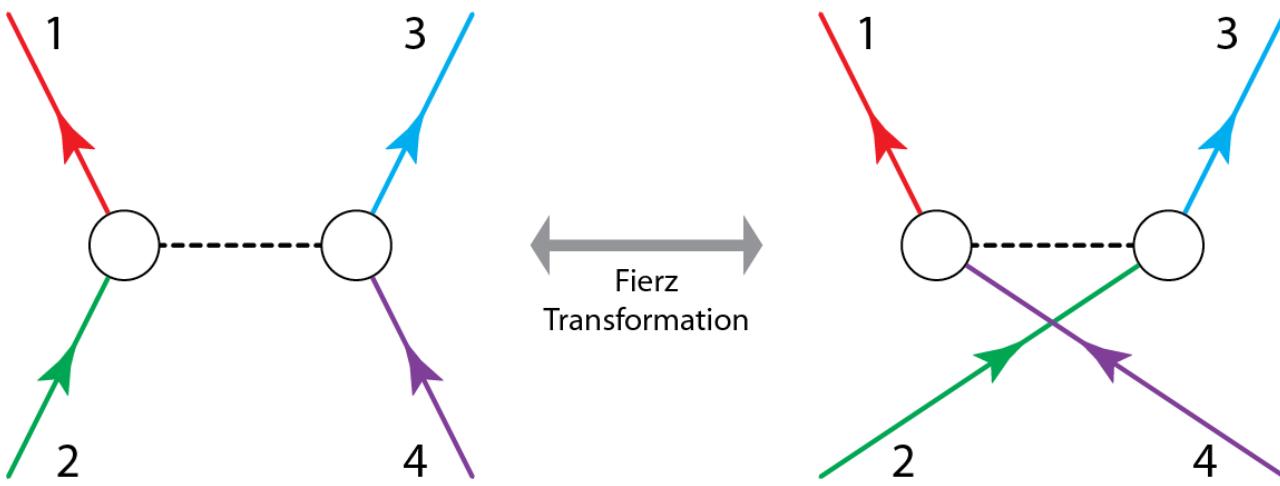
$$e_T(1234) = (\bar{\psi}_1 \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi_4)$$

$$e_A(1234) = (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_\mu \gamma^5 \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi_4)$$

$$e_P(1234) = (\bar{\psi}_1 \gamma^5 \psi_2)(\bar{\psi}_3 \gamma^5 \psi_4)$$



Fierz Identities



$$e_s(1234) = -\frac{1}{4}e_s(1432) - \frac{1}{4}e_v(1432) - \frac{1}{8}e_t(1432) + \frac{1}{4}e_a(1432) - \frac{1}{4}e_p(1432)$$

$$e_v(1234) = -e_s(1432) + \frac{1}{2}e_v(1432) + \frac{1}{2}e_a(1432) + e_p(1432)$$

$$e_t(1234) = -3e_s(1432) + \frac{1}{2}e_t(1432) - 3e_p(1432)$$

$$e_a(1234) = +e_s(1432) + \frac{1}{2}e_v(1432) + \frac{1}{2}e_a(1432) - e_p(1432)$$

$$e_p(1234) = -\frac{1}{4}e_s(1432) + \frac{1}{4}e_v(1432) - \frac{1}{8}e_t(1432) - \frac{1}{4}e_a(1432) - \frac{1}{4}e_p(1432)$$

Fierz Identities for Chiral Fields

❖ LL, RR cases

$$e_S(12_{L/R}34_{L/R}) = -\frac{1}{2}e_S(14_{L/R}32_{L/R}) - \frac{1}{8}e_T(14_{L/R}32_{L/R})$$

$$e_V(12_{L/R}34_{L/R}) = +e_V(14_{L/R}32_{L/R})$$

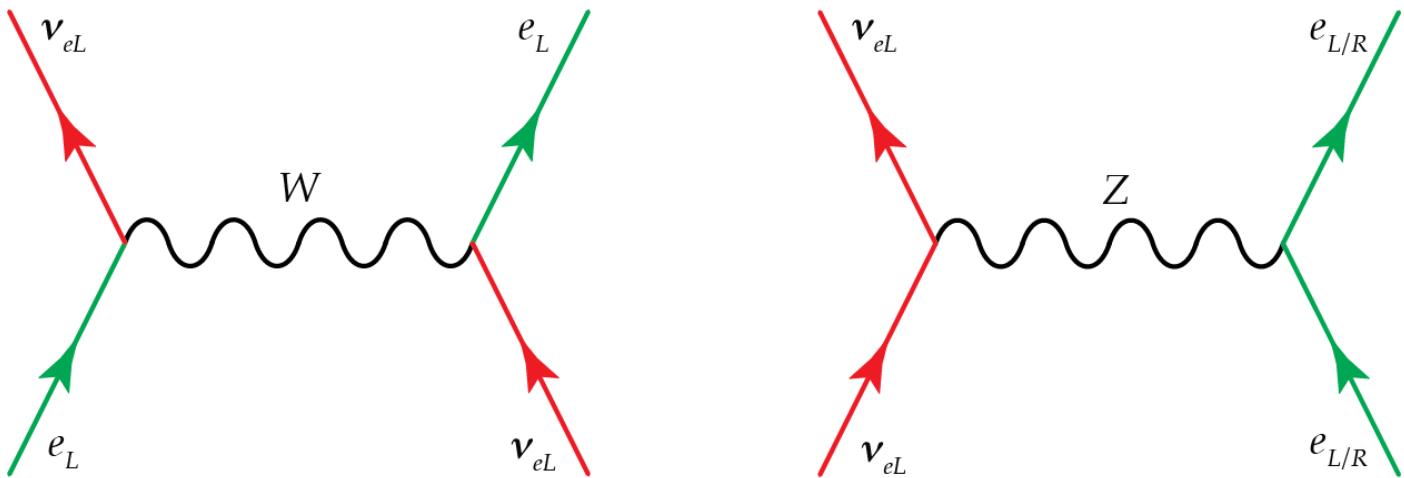
$$e_T(12_{L/R}34_{L/R}) = -6e_S(14_{L/R}32_{L/R}) + \frac{1}{2}e_T(14_{L/R}32_{L/R})$$

❖ LR, RL cases

$$e_S(12_{L/R}34_{R/L}) = -\frac{1}{2}e_V(14_{R/L}32_{L/R})$$

$$e_T(12_{L/R}34_{R/L}) = 0$$

Fierz Transformation Example:



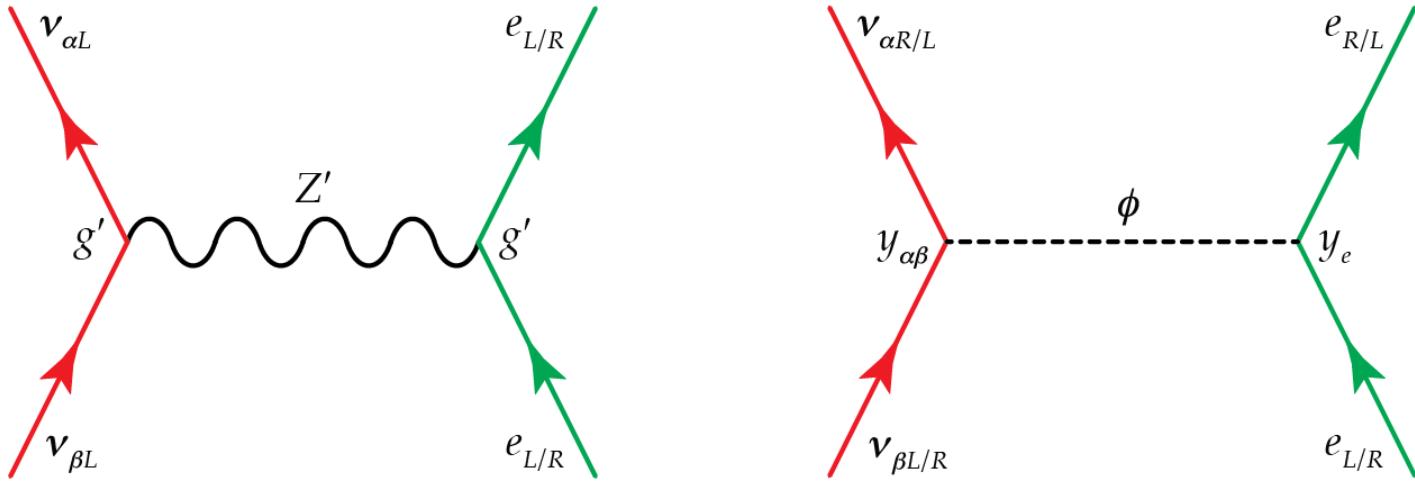
❖ neutrino-electron interaction from W exchange :

$$2\sqrt{2}G_F (\bar{\nu}_{eL} \gamma_\mu e_L) (\bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu \nu_{eL}) \rightarrow 2\sqrt{2}G_F (\bar{\nu}_{eL} \gamma_\mu \nu_{eL}) (\bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L)$$

❖ neutrino-electron interaction from Z exchange :

$$2\sqrt{2}G_F (\bar{\nu}_{eL} \gamma_\mu \nu_{eL}) \left\{ g_{LL}^{\nu e} (\bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L) + g_{LR}^{\nu e} (\bar{e}_R \gamma^\mu e_R) \right\}$$

New Physics:



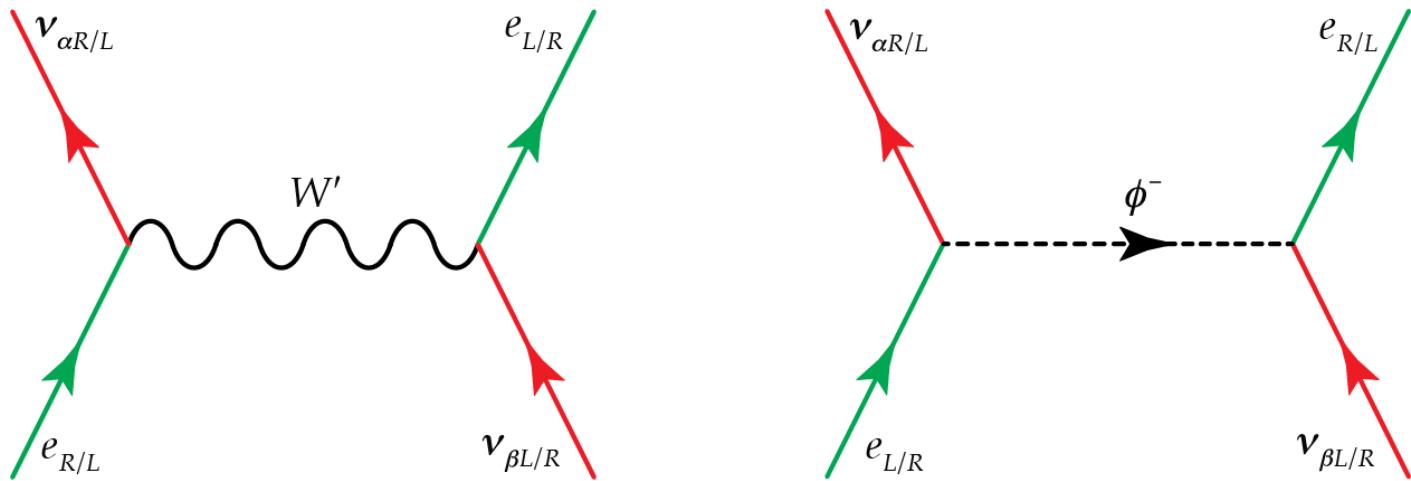
❖ Vector exchange:

$$\left(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha L}\gamma_\mu\nu_{\beta L}\right)\frac{(g')^2}{m_{Z'}^2}\left(\bar{e}_{L/R}\gamma^\mu e_{L/R}\right) \rightarrow 2\sqrt{2}G_F\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{eL/R}\left(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha L}\gamma_\mu\nu_{\beta L}\right)\left(\bar{e}_{L/R}\gamma^\mu e_{L/R}\right)$$

❖ Scalar exchange:

$$\left(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha L}\nu_{\beta R} + \bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}\nu_{\beta L}\right)\frac{y_{\alpha\beta}y_e}{m_\phi^2}\left(\bar{e}_L e_R + \bar{e}_R e_L\right)$$

Fierz Transformed New Physics:



❖ Charged vector exchange:

$$(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R/L} \gamma_\mu e_{R/L})(\bar{e}_{L/R} \gamma^\mu \nu_{\beta L/R}) = -2 (\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R/L} \nu_{\beta L/R})(\bar{e}_{L/R} e_{R/L})$$

❖ Charged scalar exchange:

$$(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R/L} e_{L/R})(\bar{e}_{R/L} \nu_{\beta L/R})$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} (\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R/L} \nu_{\beta L/R})(\bar{e}_{R/L} e_{L/R}) - \frac{1}{8} (\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R/L} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \nu_{\beta L/R})(\bar{e}_{R/L} \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_{L/R})$$

Vector and Scalar NSI:

- ❖ Vector NSI's :

$$-2\sqrt{2}G_F \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{eL/R} (\bar{\nu}_{\alpha L} \gamma_\mu \nu_{\beta L}) (\bar{e}_{L/R} \gamma^\mu e_{L/R})$$

- ❖ Most commonly considered form of NSI's
- ❖ New **Borexino** bounds: [arXiv:1905.03512](#)

- ❖ Scalar NSI's :

$$(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha L} \nu_{\beta R} + \bar{\nu}_{\alpha R} \nu_{\beta L}) \frac{y_{\alpha\beta} y_e}{m_\phi^2} (\bar{e}_L e_R + \bar{e}_R e_L)$$

- ❖ **Shao-Feng Ge** and **Stephen J. Parke**, [arXiv:1812.08376](#)

Effect of Scalar NSI to Neutrino Propagation:

- ❖ Shao-Feng Ge and Stephen J. Parke, arXiv:1812.08376
- ❖ In matter:

$$\frac{y_{\alpha\beta}y_e}{m_\phi^2} \left(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \nu_\beta \right) \underbrace{\left(\bar{e} e \right)}_{n_e} \rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{n_e y_{\alpha\beta}y_e}{m_\phi^2} \left(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \nu_\beta \right)}_{\left(M_S \right)_{\alpha\beta}}$$

- ❖ Normalize to larger mass-squared difference:

$$M_S = \sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} \begin{bmatrix} \eta_{ee} & \eta_{ue}^* & \eta_{\tau e}^* \\ \eta_{ue} & \eta_{\mu\mu} & \eta_{\tau\mu}^* \\ \eta_{\tau e} & \eta_{\tau\mu} & \eta_{\tau\tau} \end{bmatrix}$$

Effect of Scalar NSI to Neutrino Propagation:

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- ❖ Mass matrix is shifted in matter:

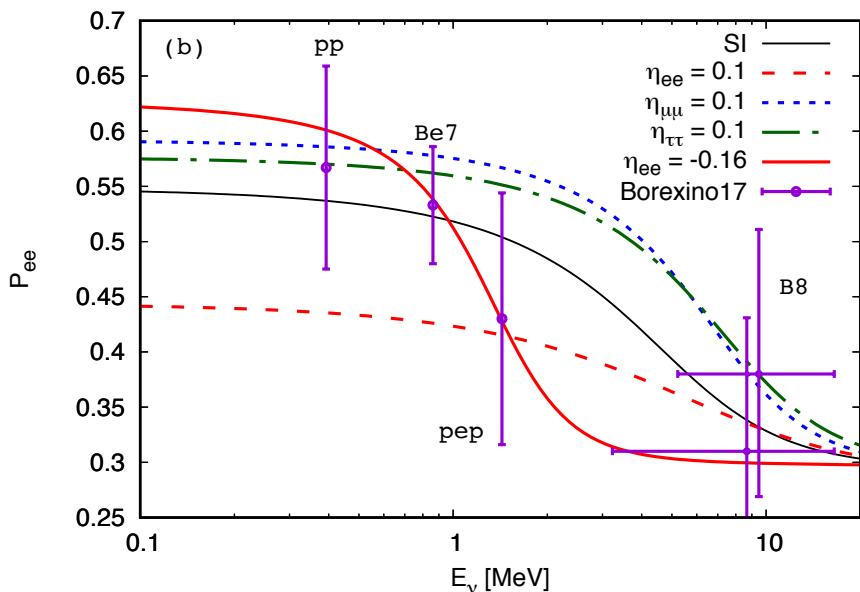
$$M \rightarrow M + M_S$$

$$\frac{M^2}{2E_\nu} \rightarrow \frac{(M + M_S)(M + M_S)^\dagger}{2E_\nu}$$

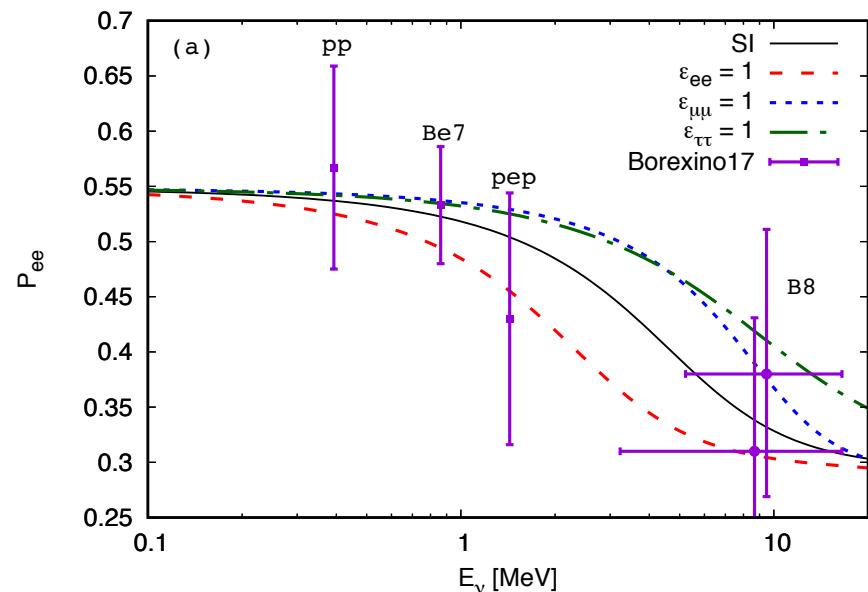
- ❖ Note: this assumes that neutrino masses are Dirac

Bounds from Borexino:

- ❖ Affects the MSW effect on Solar Neutrinos as they propagate out of the Sun
- ❖ Solar electron-neutrino survival probability:



Scalar NSI's



Vector NSI's

Large Scalar NSI's? :

- ❖ Is $\eta_{ee} = -0.16$ possible?
- ❖ The electron density at the center of the Sun is:

$$n_e = 6 \times 10^{25} / \text{cm}^3 = 5 \times 10^{11} (\text{eV} / \hbar c)^3$$

- ❖ so the Yukawa couplings and scalar mass must satisfy:

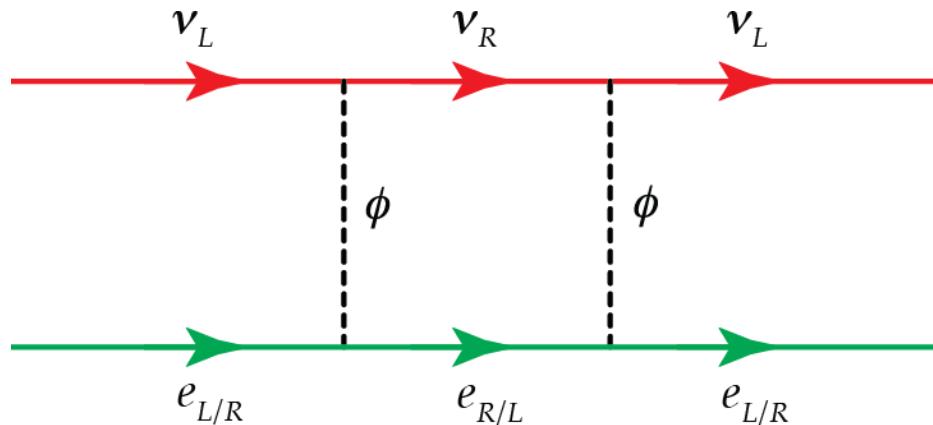
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{y_{ee} y_e}{m_\phi^2} &= \frac{\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2}}{n_e} \eta_{ee} = \frac{\sqrt{2.56 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2}}{5 \times 10^{11} (\text{eV} / \hbar c)^3} \times (-0.16) \\ &= \left(0.1 \frac{(\hbar c)^3}{\text{MeV}^2} \right) \times (-0.16) = -0.016 \frac{(\hbar c)^3}{\text{MeV}^2}\end{aligned}$$

Further points to consider:

- ❖ The **Ge-Parke** analysis assumes Dirac masses
- ❖ If neutrino masses are Majorana

$$M = \frac{M_{Dirac}^2}{M_{Majorana}} \rightarrow \frac{(M_{Dirac} + M_S)^2}{M_{Majorana}}$$

- ❖ There is also a matter potential effect:



Can we generate large NSI's?

- ❖ Generating large NSI's from **heavy mediators** is very difficult
- ❖ Can **light mediators** help us?

Interactions must be $SU(2) \times U(1)$ invariant:

$$\mathcal{L} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F \varepsilon_{\mu\tau}^{eL} (\bar{\nu}_\mu \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_\tau) (\bar{e} \gamma_\mu P_L e)$$

❖ Case 1: $(\bar{L}_\mu \gamma^\mu L_\tau) (\bar{L}_e \gamma_\mu L_e)$

$$= \left[(\bar{\nu}_\mu \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_\tau) (\bar{\nu}_e \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_e) + (\bar{\nu}_\mu \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_\tau) (\bar{e} \gamma_\mu P_L e) \right. \\ \left. + (\bar{\mu} \gamma_\mu P_L \tau) (\bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_e) + (\bar{\mu} \gamma^\mu P_L \tau) (\bar{e} \gamma_\mu P_L e) \right]$$

Constrained by $\tau \rightarrow \mu ee$: $|\varepsilon_{\mu\tau}^{eL}| < 10^{-4}$

❖ Case 2: $(\bar{L}_\mu i\sigma_2 L_e^c) (\bar{L}_\tau^c i\sigma_2 L_e)$

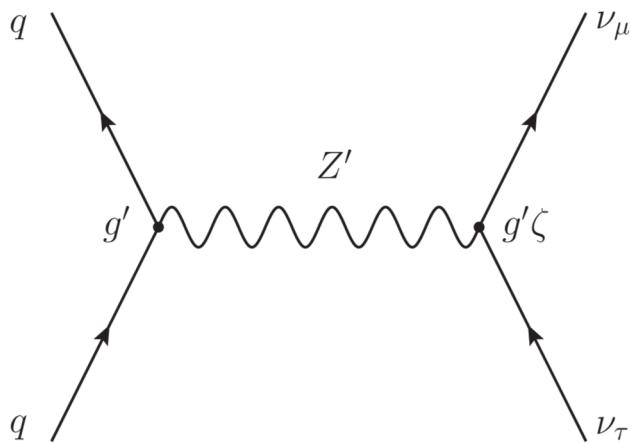
$$= \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\nu}_\mu \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_\tau) (\bar{e} \gamma_\mu P_L e) - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_\tau) (\bar{\mu} \gamma_\mu P_L e) \\ - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\nu}_\mu \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_e) (\bar{e} \gamma_\mu P_L \tau) + \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_e) (\bar{\mu} \gamma_\mu P_L \tau)$$

Constrained by $\mu \rightarrow e \nu_e \nu_\tau, \tau \rightarrow e \nu_e \nu_\mu, \tau \rightarrow \mu \nu_e \nu_e$: $|\varepsilon_{\mu\tau}^{eL}| < 10^{-3}$

Farzan-Shoemaker Model

- ❖ Y. Farzan and I. M. Shoemaker, “Lepton Flavor Violating Non-Standard Interactions via Light Mediators,” **JHEP07(2016)033**, arXiv:1512.09147

$$\varepsilon = 2 \left(\frac{g'}{g} \right)^2 \left(\frac{M_W}{M_{Z'}} \right)^2 = 0.03 g'^2 \left(\frac{1000 \text{ GeV}}{M_{Z'}} \right)^2 = 0.03 \left(\frac{g'}{10^{-4}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{100 \text{ MeV}}{M_{Z'}} \right)^2$$



$$\varepsilon_{\mu\tau}^{qC} \sim 0.005 \quad \rightarrow \quad \varepsilon_{\mu\tau} \sim 0.06$$

Farzan-Shoemaker Model : Z' Mass & Coupling

- ❖ The mass of the Z' is chosen to be:

$$135 \text{ MeV} < M_{Z'} < 200 \text{ MeV}$$

so that the decays

$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + Z', \quad Z' \rightarrow \mu^+ + \mu^-$$

cannot occur

- ❖ Z' coupling to the leptons are strongly constrained by:

$$\tau \rightarrow \mu + Z'$$

Two-body decay bound:

- ❖ Argus (1995)

$$B(\tau \rightarrow \mu + Z') < 5 \times 10^{-3}$$



$$g' \zeta < 6 \times 10^{-8} \left(\frac{M_{Z'}}{200\text{MeV}} \right)$$

- ❖ Belle has 2000 times more statistics and is expected to improve the bound to 1×10^{-4} (Yoshinobu and Hayasaka, Nucl. Part. Phys. Proc. 287-288 (2017) 218-220)

$$B(\tau \rightarrow \mu + Z') < 1 \times 10^{-4}$$



$$g' \zeta < 9 \times 10^{-9} \left(\frac{M_{Z'}}{200\text{MeV}} \right)$$

Constraints on the Z'-quark couplings:

- ❖ Semi-Empirical Mass Formula of Nuclei:

$$E_B = a_V A - a_S A^{2/3} - a_C \frac{Z^2}{A^{1/3}} - a_A \frac{(A - 2Z)^2}{A} \pm \delta(A, Z)$$

- ❖ Coulomb term:

$$E_C = \frac{3}{5} \frac{Q^2}{R} = \frac{3}{5} \frac{(eZ)^2}{(r_0 A^{1/3})} = (0.691 \text{ MeV}) \frac{(1.25 \text{ fm})}{r_0} \frac{Z^2}{A^{1/3}}$$

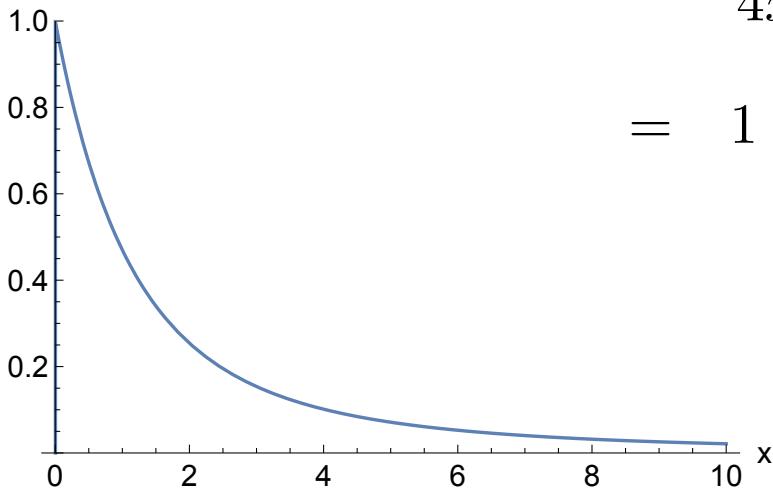
Z' potential energy:

❖ Z' potential energy term:

$$\begin{aligned} E_{Z'} &= \frac{3}{5} \frac{Q'^2}{R} f(mR) = \frac{3}{5} \frac{(3g' A)^2}{(r_0 A^{1/3})} f(mr_0 A^{1/3}) \\ &= (0.691 \text{ MeV}) \frac{(1.25 \text{ fm})}{r_0} \left(\frac{3g'}{e} \right)^2 A^{5/3} f(mr_0 A^{1/3}) \end{aligned}$$

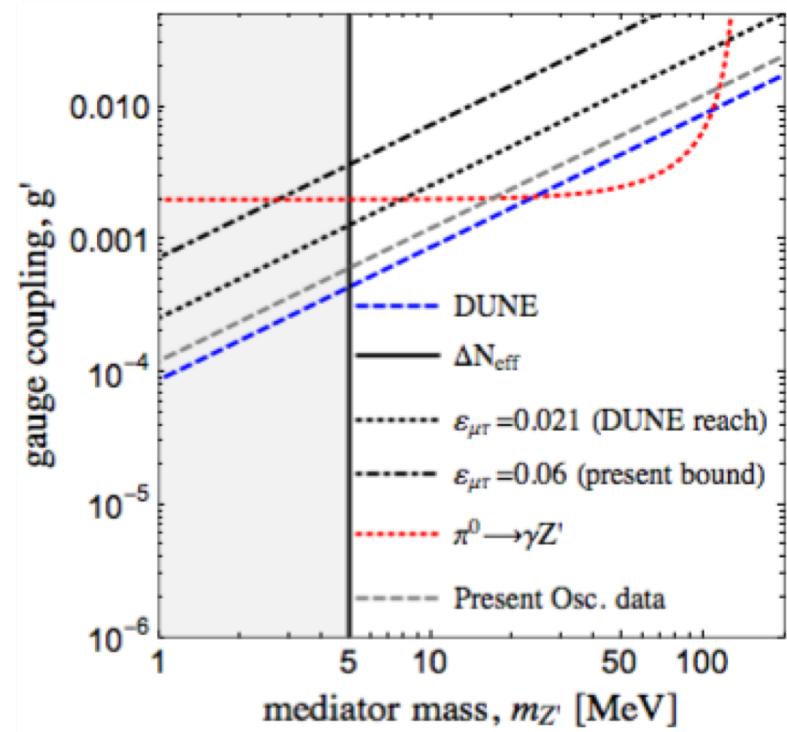
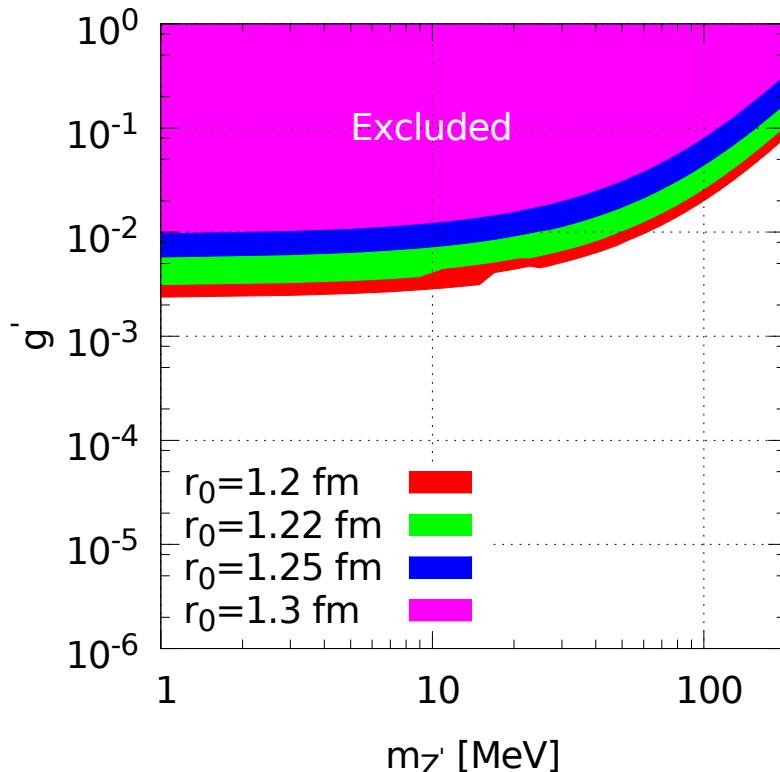
where

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\equiv \frac{15}{4x^5} \left[1 - x^2 + \frac{2x^3}{3} - (1+x)^2 e^{-2x} \right] \\ &= 1 - \frac{5x}{6} + \frac{3x^2}{7} - \frac{x^3}{6} + \dots \end{aligned}$$



Preliminary Result:

- ❖ By David Vanegas Forero
- ❖ Fit to **stable nuclei** (90% C.L. left) compared to Figure from Farzan-Shoemaker paper ([JHEP07\(2016\)033](#) right)



Conclusions:

- ❖ NSI's beyond the usual vector type can exist
- ❖ Current and near future experiments are only sensitive to large NSI's (both vector and scalar)
- ❖ Generating large NSI's is very difficult