

Flavor Physics in the Littlest Higgs model with T-parity

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Introduction

Little Higgs models attract interests in recent years.

- Possible solution to *little hierarchy problem*.
 - ▷ NP scale $\gtrsim O(\text{TeV})$ vs. Higgs boson mass $\sim 100\text{GeV}$.
- Basic idea: Higgs bosons are assumed to be pseudo Nambu-Goldstone bosons of a spontaneous global symmetry breaking.
- One loop correction to the Higgs boson mass is suppressed by *collective symmetry breaking*.

[Littlest Higgs model](#) (Arkani-Hamed *et al.*, 2002)

- An implementation based on $SU(5)/SO(5)$ nonlinear sigma model.
- Electroweak precision constraints
 - $\Rightarrow SU(5) \rightarrow SO(5)$ SSB scale $\gtrsim 4\text{TeV}$ (Csaki *et al.*).
 - ▷ Little hierarchy problem revives.
- Discrete Z_2 symmetry “[T-parity](#)” helps (Cheng & Low, 2003).
- \Rightarrow LHT is phenomenologically viable.

Introduction: flavor physics in LHT

LHT provides new particles (heavy gauge bosons and quarks/leptons) and new flavor mixings.

⇒ Various signals in flavor observables expected and studied.

- Blanke *et al.* (2006–2007), Hubisz *et al.* (2006), Choudhury *et al.* (2007), ...

We have recalculated flavor changing amplitudes in LHT.

- A missing piece found, that cancels previously reported UV divergence.
- Applied to $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ and LFVs.

Contents in the following:

- The model: LHT,
- Flavor changing Z penguin amplitude,
- Numerical results on $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ and μ LFVs.

Littlest Higgs model: $SU(5)/SO(5)$ nonlinear sigma model

- $SU(5)$ global symmetry is broken down to $SO(5)$ by a VEV of Σ (15 of $SU(5)$) with a symmetry breaking scale $f \sim \text{TeV}$:

$$\langle \Sigma \rangle = \Sigma_0 = \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right).$$

- $SU(5)/SO(5)$: $24 - 10 = 14$ Nambu-Goldstone bosons.

$$\Sigma = \xi \Sigma_0 \xi^T, \quad \xi = \exp(i\Pi/f),$$

$$\Pi = \frac{1}{2} \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} -\omega^0 - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{5}} & -\sqrt{2}\omega^+ & -i\sqrt{2}\pi^+ & -i2\phi^{++} & -i\sqrt{2}\phi^+ \\ -\sqrt{2}\omega^- & \omega^0 - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{5}} & h + i\pi^0 & -i\sqrt{2}\phi^+ & \sqrt{2}(\phi^P - i\phi^0) \\ \hline i\sqrt{2}\pi^- & h - i\pi^0 & \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}\eta & -i\sqrt{2}\pi^+ & h + i\pi^0 \\ \hline i2\phi^{--} & i\sqrt{2}\phi^- & i\sqrt{2}\pi^- & -\omega^0 - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{5}} & -\sqrt{2}\omega^- \\ i\sqrt{2}\phi^- & \sqrt{2}(\phi^P + i\phi^0) & h - i\pi^0 & -\sqrt{2}\omega^+ & \omega^0 - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{5}} \end{array} \right)$$

LHT: gauge symmetries

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c} SU(2)_1 & \\ \hline & \\ \hline & SU(2)_2 \end{array} \right)$$

global:

$$SU(5) \\ \cup$$

$$\xrightarrow{\textcolor{blue}{f}} \quad SO(5) \\ \cup$$

gauged: $[SU(2) \times U(1)]_1 \times [SU(2) \times U(1)]_2 \xrightarrow{\textcolor{blue}{f}} \textcolor{red}{SU(2) \times U(1)}$
SM electroweak

T-parity: $[SU(2) \times U(1)]_1 \xleftarrow{\text{T}} [SU(2) \times U(1)]_2 \Rightarrow (g, g')_1 = (g, g')_2$.

Gauge bosons

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} [W_1^a, B_1] \\ [W_2^a, B_2] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} W_L^\pm, Z_L, A_L & \text{"light" SM gauge bosons (T-even)} \\ W_H^\pm, Z_H, A_H & \text{"heavy" } O(f) \text{ masses (T-odd)} \end{array} \right.$$

(pseudo) Nambu-Goldstone bosons

- $\pi^{\pm,0}$, $\textcolor{red}{h} \rightarrow$ SM Higgs doublet ($\pi^{\pm,0}$ eaten by W_L^\pm, Z_L), T-even.
- $\omega^{\pm,0}$, $\textcolor{blue}{\eta} \rightarrow$ eaten by W_H^\pm, Z_H, A_H , T-odd.
- $\phi^{\pm\pm, \pm, 0, P} \rightarrow$ physical, T-odd (effects on flavor obs. suppressed).

LHT: fermion sector

Fermions are doubled for T-parity.

Left-handed

	$SU(2)_1$	$SU(2)_2$	Y_1	Y_2	$SU(2)_L$	Y	T-parity
$q_1^i = \begin{pmatrix} u_1^i \\ d_1^i \end{pmatrix}$	2	1	$\frac{1}{30}$	$\frac{4}{30}$	2	$\frac{1}{6}$	$q_1^i \leftrightarrow -q_2^i$
$q_2^i = \begin{pmatrix} u_2^i \\ d_2^i \end{pmatrix}$	1	2	$\frac{4}{30}$	$\frac{1}{30}$	2	$\frac{1}{6}$	

Right-handed

	$SU(2)_1$	$SU(2)_2$	Y_1	Y_2	$SU(2)_L$	Y	T-parity
u_R^i	1	1	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	1	$\frac{2}{3}$	+
d_R^i	1	1	$-\frac{1}{6}$	$-\frac{1}{6}$	1	$-\frac{1}{3}$	+
$q_{HR}^i = \begin{pmatrix} u_{HR}^i \\ d_{HR}^i \end{pmatrix}$	nonlinear				2	$\frac{1}{6}$	-

- Singlet top partners T_{\pm} are also introduced to cancel one-loop top Yukawa contribution to SM Higgs boson mass (LH mechanism).
- $u \Rightarrow \nu$ and $d \Rightarrow e$ (with $U(1)$ charge adjustments) for leptons.

$SU(5)$ embedding for Yukawa and gauge interactions

Building blocks of gauge invariant Lagrangian: $SU(5)$ “containers”.

$$\Psi_1(\bar{5}) = \begin{pmatrix} -i\sigma^2 q_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Psi_2(5) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -i\sigma^2 q_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Psi_R = \begin{pmatrix} * \\ * \\ -i\sigma^2 q_{HR} \end{pmatrix}.$$

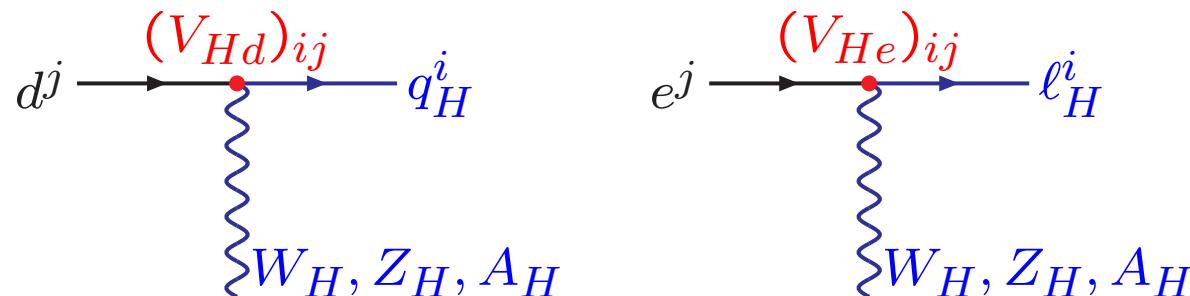
- $\Psi_{1,2}$: linear representations of $SU(5)$.
- Ψ_R : 5 of $SO(5)$, nonlinear representations of $SU(5)$.
 - ▷ $\Psi'_R = \xi \Psi_R$ transforms as 5 of $SU(5)$.

Yukawa coupling $\rightarrow O(f)$ masses of T-odd fermions.

$$\mathcal{L}_H = -\kappa^{ij} f [\bar{\Psi}_2^i \Psi_R'^j - \bar{\Psi}_1^i \tilde{\Psi}_R'^j] + \text{H. c.}, \quad \tilde{\Psi}'_R: \text{T-conjugate of } \Psi'_R.$$

κ^{ij} makes mismatch between light and heavy fermion mass bases.

\Rightarrow new flavor mixing occurs in couplings with T-odd gauge bosons.



$O(\frac{v^2}{f^2})$ corrections in Z_L coupling

Vacuum configuration after EWSB: $h \rightarrow h + v$ ($v = 246$ GeV).

$$\langle \Sigma \rangle_v = \xi_v \Sigma_0 \xi_v^T, \quad \xi_v = 1 + O\left(\frac{v}{f}\right).$$

Expansion around $\langle \Sigma \rangle_v$ leads to $O(\frac{v^2}{f^2})$ corrections in gauge couplings of the pNG bosons and q_{HR} .

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{f^2}{8} \text{tr} [(\mathcal{D}^\mu \Sigma^\dagger)(\mathcal{D}_\mu \Sigma)] \Rightarrow \omega^+ \xrightarrow{\text{blue square}} \omega^+ \propto \left(\cos^2 \theta_W - \frac{v^2}{8f^2} \right).$$



[Blanke et al., 2007]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}}(q_{HR}) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\bar{\Psi}'_R i \not{D} \Psi'_R + \bar{\widetilde{\Psi}}'_R i \not{D} \widetilde{\Psi}'_R \right], \quad (\Psi'_R = \xi \Psi_R), \\ &\Rightarrow u_{HR} \xrightarrow{\text{red square}} u_{HR} \propto \left(\frac{1}{2} - Q_u \sin^2 \theta_W - \frac{v^2}{8f^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Flavor changing processes in LHT

We studied:

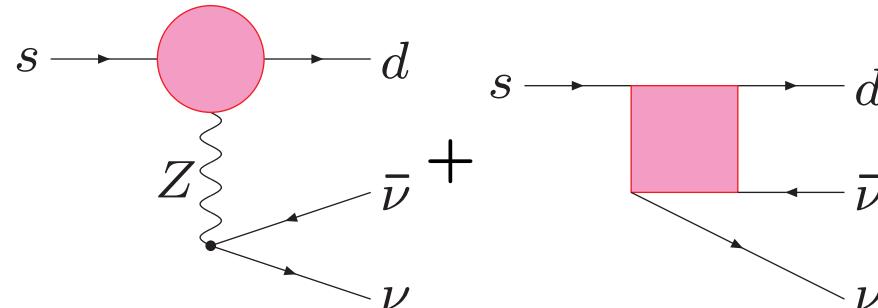
- $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ [PLB670(2009)378],
- Muon LFVs ($\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$, $\mu \rightarrow eee$, $\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion) [preliminary].

FCNC in LHT: $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ ($s \rightarrow d \nu \bar{\nu}$)

Low energy effective Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{[d\nu]}^{\text{eff}} = C_{[d\nu]LL}^{ijlm} (\bar{d}^i \gamma^\mu d_L^j)(\bar{\nu}^l \gamma_\mu \nu_L^m), \quad i \neq j.$$

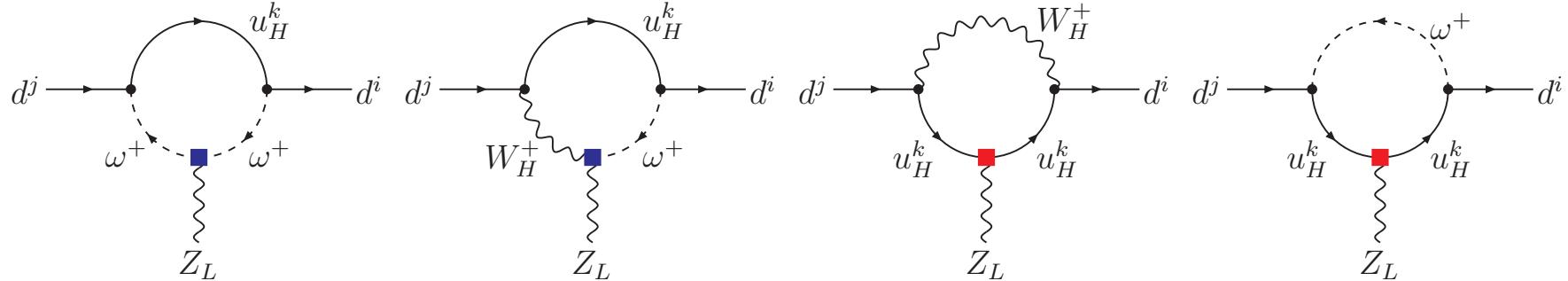
- Right-handed $d^j \rightarrow d^i$ current is suppressed in LHT (as in SM).
- Leading order = one loop (no tree level contributions).



- In 't Hooft–Feynman gauge, box terms are manifestly finite.
- T-even sector = SM \oplus $SU(2)$ singlet vector-like top partner T_+ .
 - ▷ $C_{[d\nu]LL}^{ijkl}$ (T-even) $\propto \lambda_t^{(ij)} = (V_{CKM}^*)_{ti}(V_{CKM})_{tj}$.

T-odd loops: Z penguins

- Zeroth order terms in $\frac{v^2}{f^2}$ expansion vanishes.
- Relevant diagrams for leading $O(\frac{v^2}{f^2})$ contributions:



- UV divergences cancel in the sum \Rightarrow finite amplitude obtained.

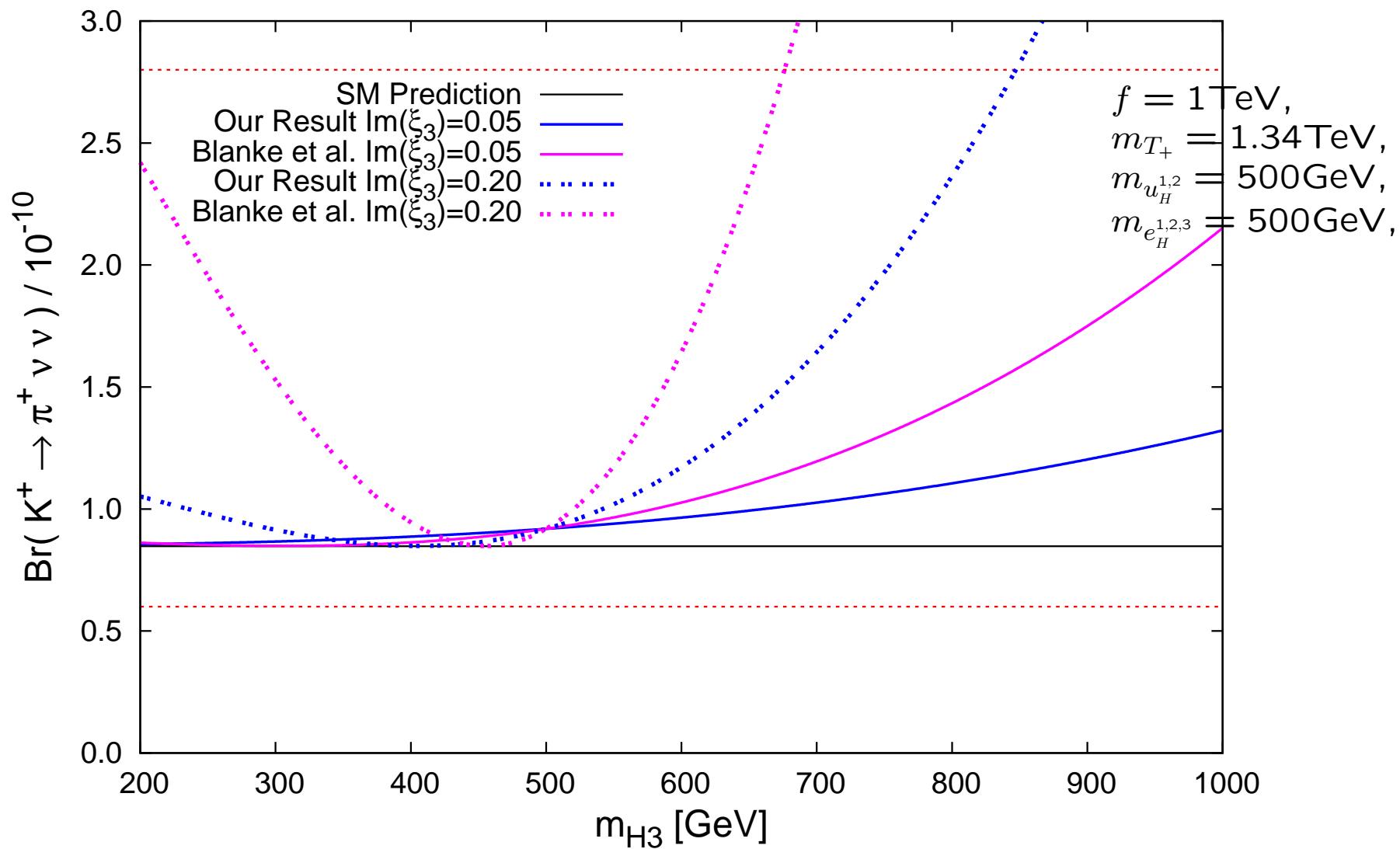
$$C_{[d\nu]LL}^{ijlm}(\text{T-odd}) = -\frac{g^4}{(4\pi)^2 m_{W_L}^2} \sum_{k,n=1}^3 \lambda_k^{Hd(ij)} \lambda_n^{H\nu(lm)} \times \frac{v^2}{16f^2} [z_k F_9(z_k) - G_{[du]}^{\square \text{odd}}(z_k, y_n, r)],$$

$$z_k = m_{q_H^k}^2/m_{W_H}^2, \quad y_n = m_{\ell_H^n}^2/m_{W_H}^2, \quad y = m_{A_H}^2/m_{Z_H}^2.$$

$$\lambda_k^{Hd(ij)} = (V_{Hd}^*)_{ki} (V_{Hd})_{kj}, \quad \lambda_n^{H\nu(lm)} = (V_{H\nu}^*)_{nl} (V_{H\nu})_{nm}.$$

$$\mathcal{B}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$$

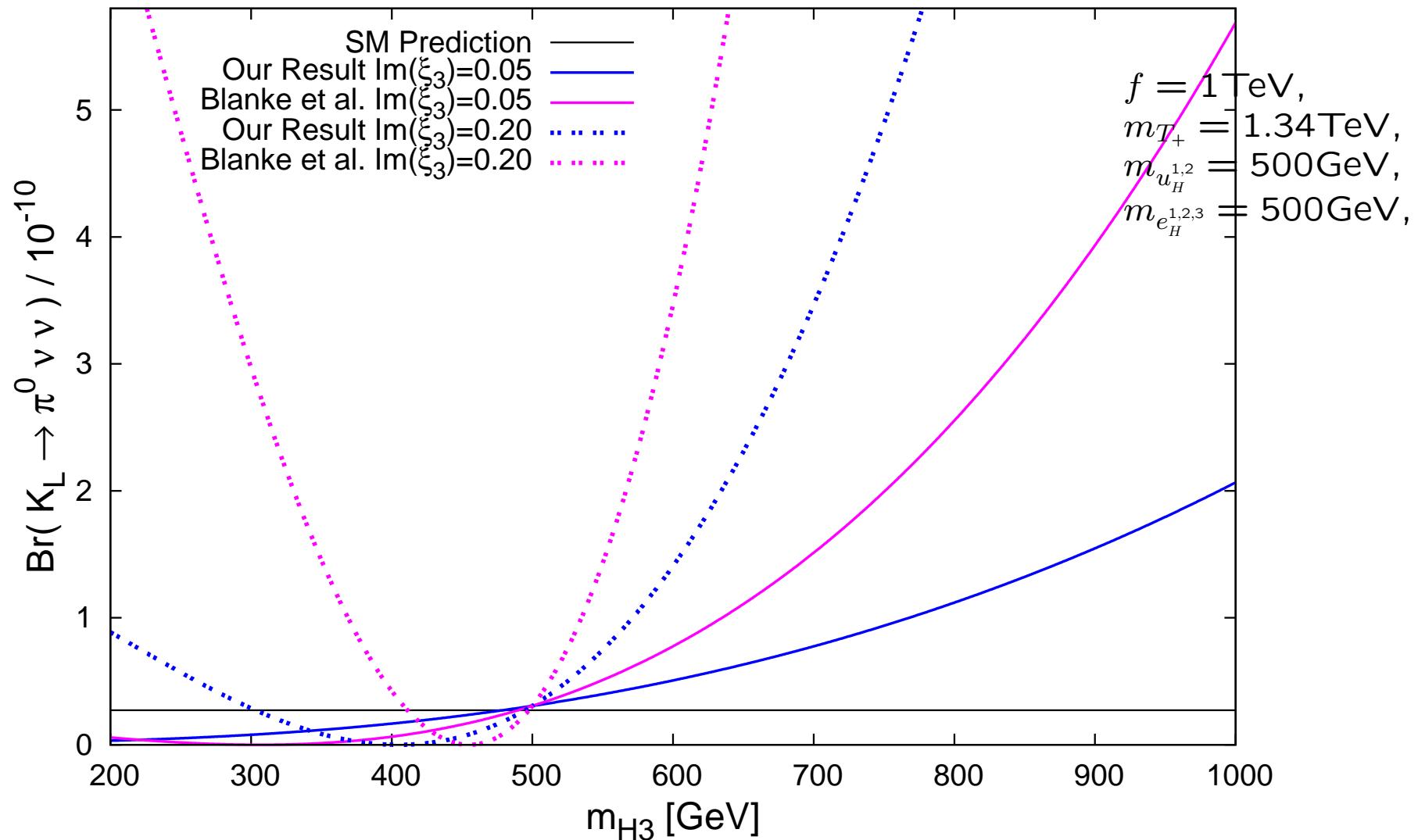
$$\mathcal{B}(\text{exp}) = (1.5^{+1.3}_{-0.9}) \times 10^{-10}$$



$\xi_3 = (V_{Hd})_{31}(V_{Hd})_{32}^*. \text{Re}[(V_{Hd})_{31}^*(V_{Hd})_{32}] = 0$ (to suppress T-odd contrib. to ε_K).

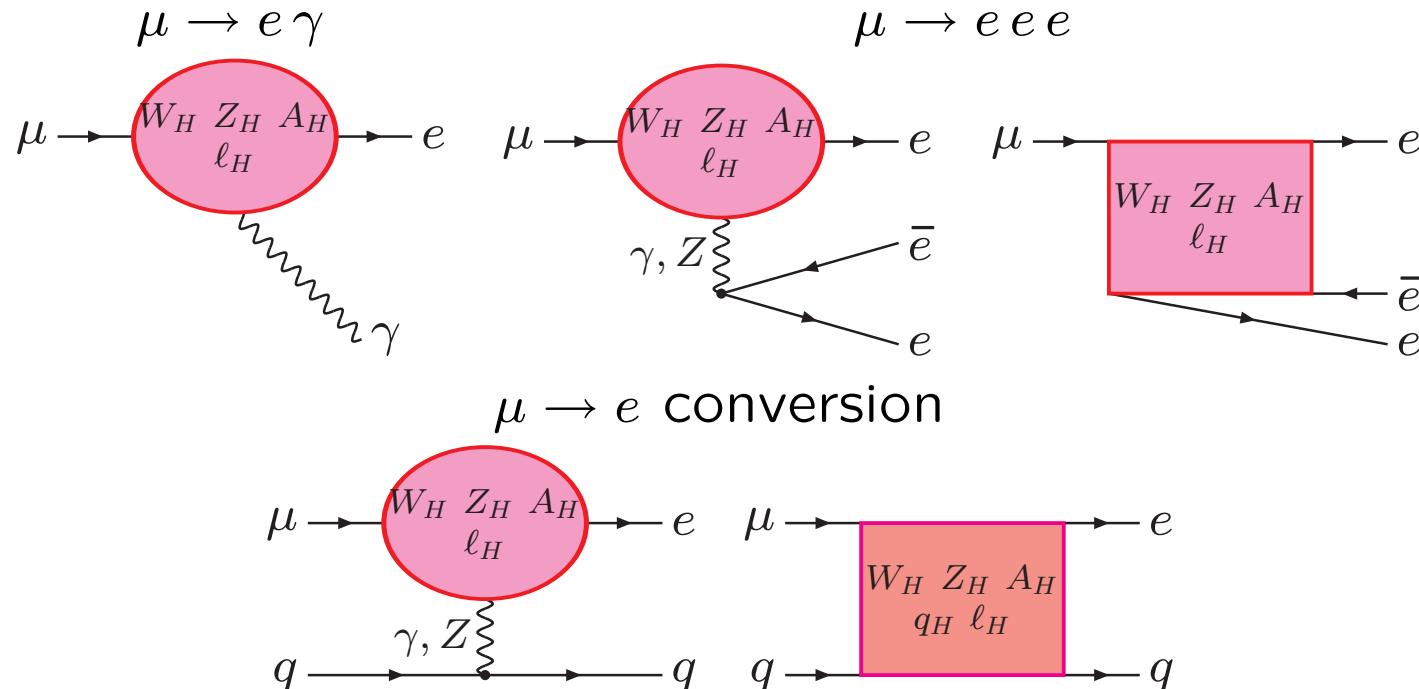
$$\mathcal{B}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu})$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\text{exp}) < 2.1 \times 10^{-7}$$



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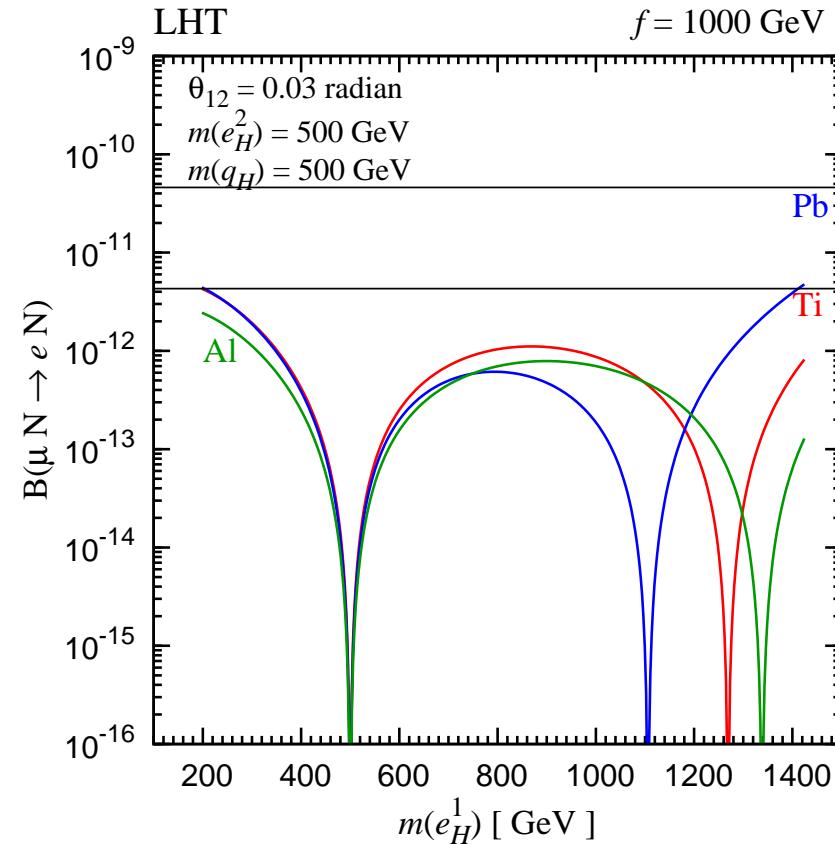
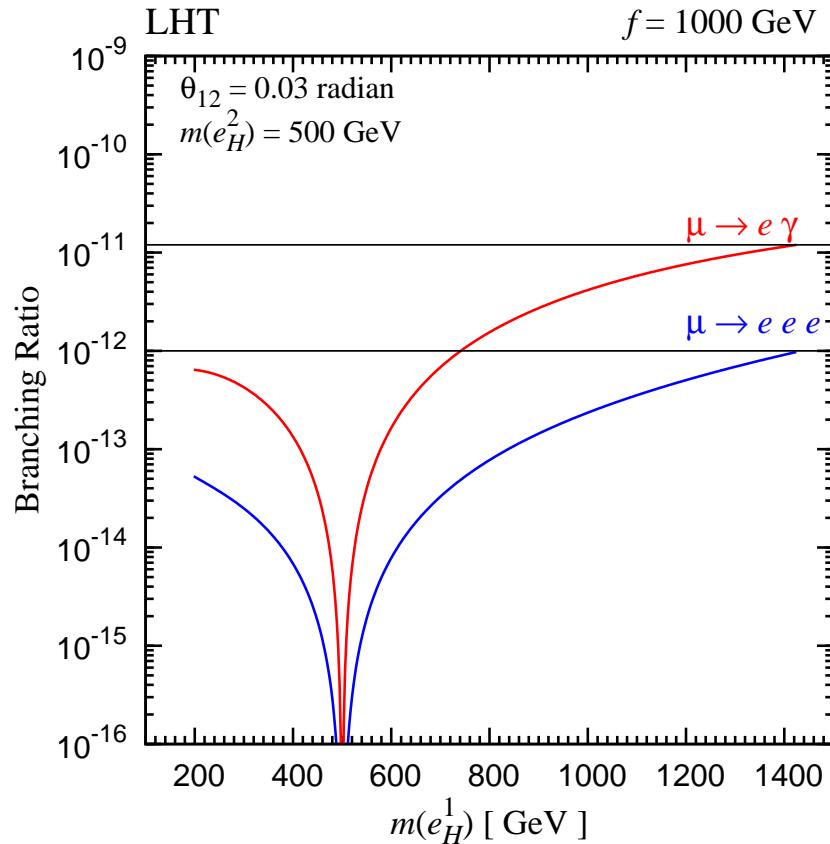
μ Lfv: $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$, $\mu \rightarrow eee$ and $\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion



- T-odd loops only.
- Calculated in the same way as quark FCNC: $u \leftrightarrow \nu$, $d \leftrightarrow e$.

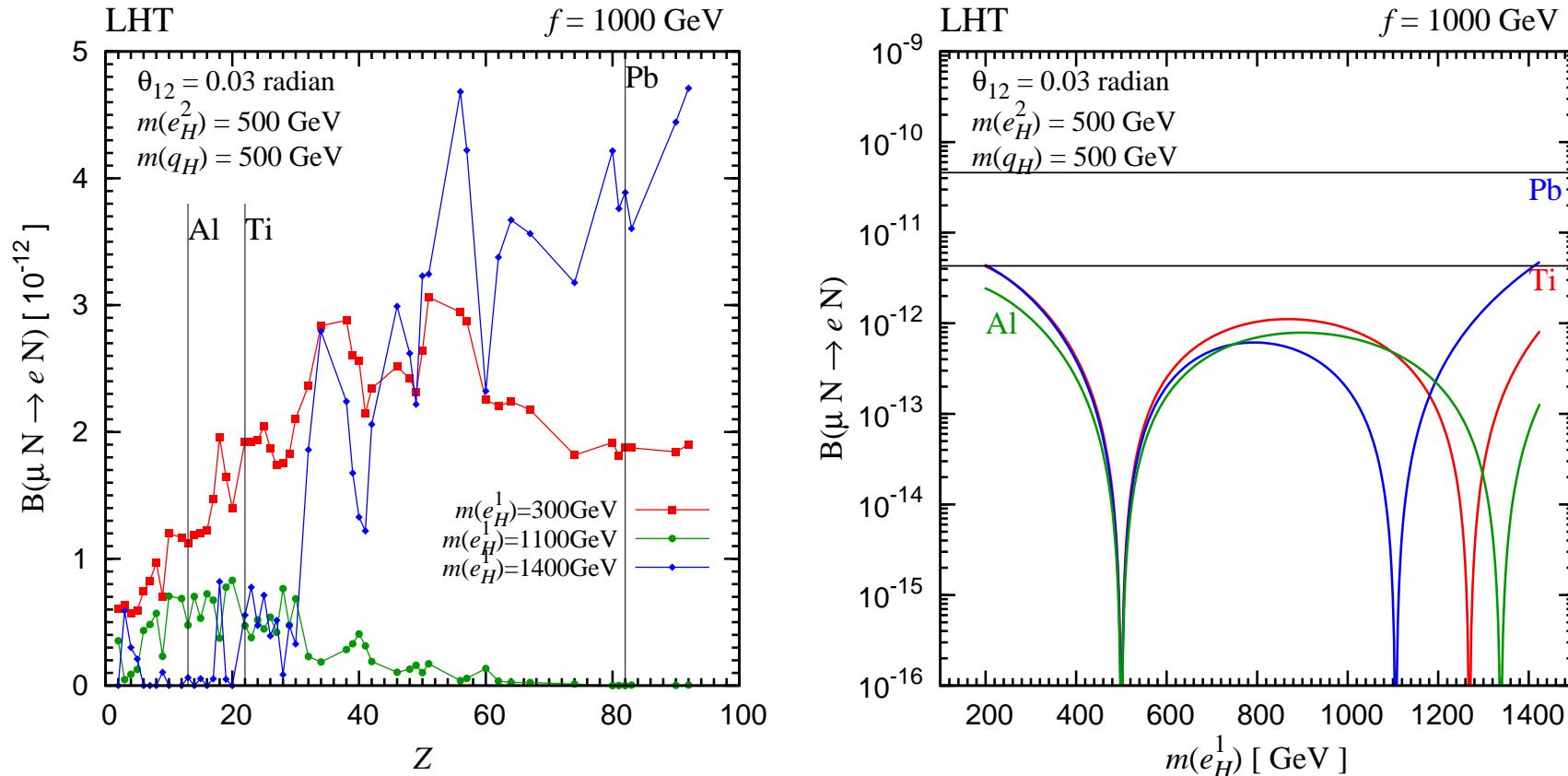
See also: del Águila, Illana & Jenkins, JHEP0901(2009)080;
 Blanke *et al.*, JHEP05(2007)013.

μ L**F**V: $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$, $\mu \rightarrow eee$ and $\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion



- Assumptions: $\theta_{i3} = \delta_{ij} = 0$ in V_{He} ; q_H degenerate in mass.
- Matrix elements for $\mu \rightarrow e$ conv. taken from Kitano, Koike and Okada, PRD66(2002)096002.

μ Lfv: $\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion



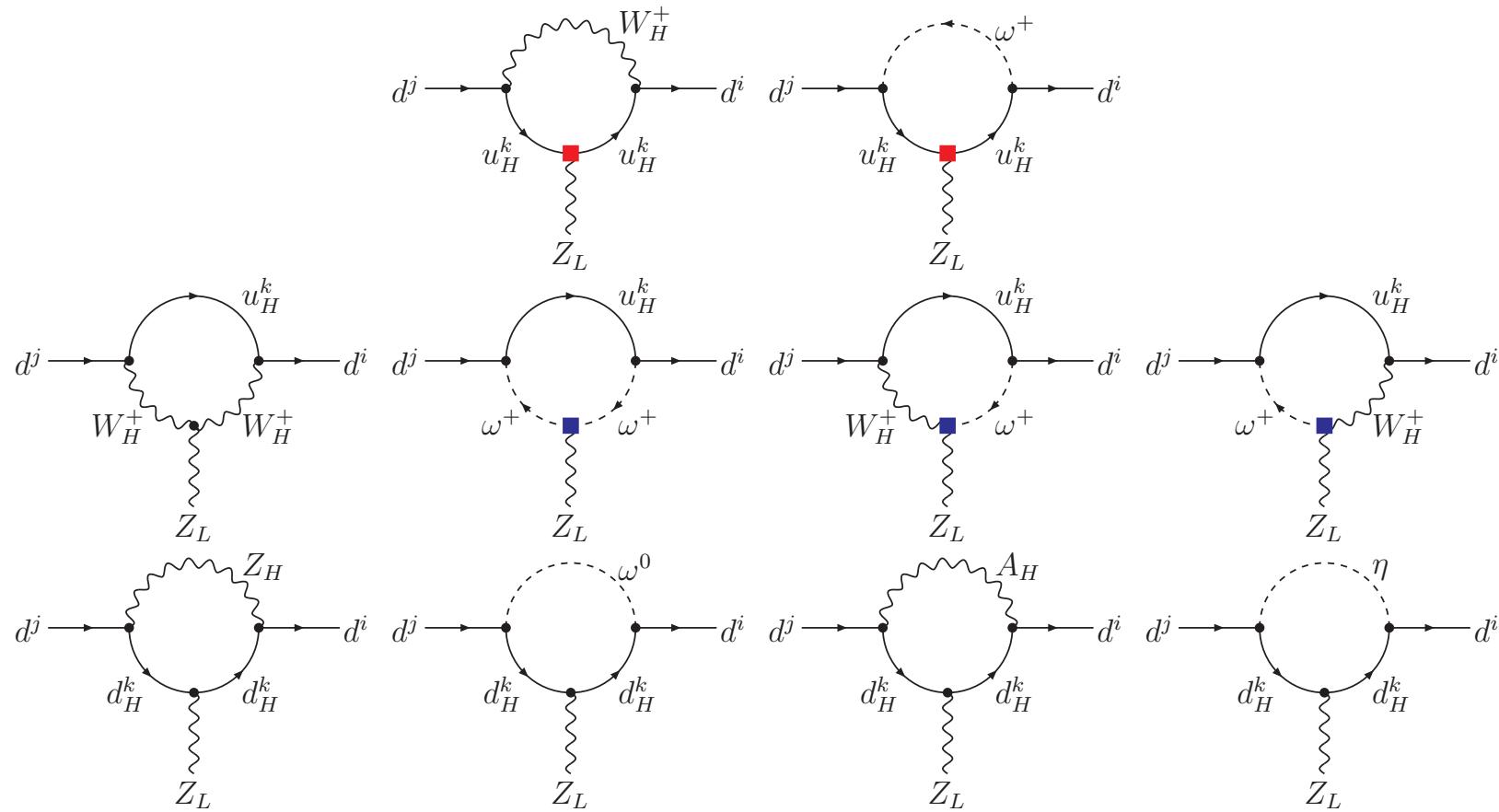
- B =conversion rate/capture rate depends on nucleus.
- Cancelation among amplitudes possible.
- Experiments aiming 10^{-16} planned (Mu2e@FNAL, COMET@J-PARC).

Conclusion

- FCNC and LFV processes in the Littlest Higgs model with T-parity are (re-)studied.
- One loop $d^i \rightarrow d^j$ and $e^i \rightarrow e^j$ amplitudes are UV finite at $O(\frac{v^2}{f^2})$.
- Branching fractions of $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ decays may differ from SM predictions significantly.
- $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$, $\mu \rightarrow eee$ and $\mu \rightarrow e$ conversion can be measurable in near future experiments.

Backups

Z penguins: T-odd loops



Calculated in $\frac{v^2}{f^2}$ expansion.

- ■ and ■: $O(\frac{v^2}{f^2})$ corrections.
- zeroth order vanishes.

Loop functions

$$F_9(x) = \frac{x-6}{2(x-1)} + \frac{(3x+2)\log x}{2(x-1)^2},$$

$$G_{[dd]}^{\square \text{odd}}(x, y, r) = G_{[dd]}^{\square}(x, y) - \frac{3}{4} \left[g_{2[1]}(x, y) + \frac{r}{25} g_{2[1]}\left(\frac{x}{r}, \frac{y}{r}\right) + \frac{2r}{5} g_2(x, y, r) \right],$$

$$G_{[du]}^{\square \text{odd}}(x, y, r) = G_{[du]}^{\square}(x, y) + \frac{3}{4} \left[g_{2[1]}(x, y) + \frac{r}{25} g_{2[1]}\left(\frac{x}{r}, \frac{y}{r}\right) - \frac{2r}{5} g_2(x, y, r) \right].$$

$$G_{[dd]}^{\square}(x, y) = \left(1 + \frac{xy}{4}\right) g_{2[1]}(x, y) - 2xy g_{1[1]}(x, y),$$

$$G_{[du]}^{\square}(x, y) = \left(4 + \frac{xy}{4}\right) g_{2[1]}(x, y) - 2xy g_{1[1]}(x, y),$$

$$g_2(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2 \log x}{(x-1)(x-y)(x-z)} + (\text{cycl. perm.}),$$

$$g_{2[1]}(x, y) = g_2(x, y, 1).$$

Result of T-even loops for $d^j \rightarrow d^i \nu \bar{\nu}$

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{[d\nu]LL}^{ijlm}(\text{T-even}) &= -\frac{g^4}{(4\pi)^2 m_{W_L}^2} \delta^{lm} \left[\sum_{k=c,t} \lambda_k^{d(ij)} X_{\text{SM}}(x_k) + \lambda_t^{d(ij)} \bar{X}_{\text{even}} \right], \\
X_{\text{SM}}(x) &= \frac{x}{8} \left[\frac{(3x-6) \log x}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{x+2}{x-1} \right], \\
\bar{X}_{\text{even}} &= s_L^2 \left[X_{\text{SM}}(x_{T_+}) - X_{\text{SM}}(x_t) \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{s_L^2 c_L^2}{4} \left[-\frac{x_t + x_{T_+}}{2} + \frac{x_t x_{T_+} (\log x_t - \log x_{T_+})}{x_t - x_{T_+}} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Numerical inputs

LHT has 20 new parameters:

- f, m_{T_+} ,
- $m_{u_H^k}, m_{e_H^k}$,
- 3 angles + 3 phases in V_{Hd} , 3 angles + 3 phases in $V_{H\nu}$.

In the $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ plots, we fix

- $f = 1 \text{TeV}, m_{T_+} = 1.34 \text{TeV}$,
- $m_{u_H^{1,2}} = m_{e_H^{1,2,3}} = 500 \text{GeV}$,
- $\text{Re}[(V_{Hd})_{31}^*(V_{Hd})_{32}] = 0$ (to suppress T-odd contribution to ε_K).

\Rightarrow free inputs: $m_{u_H^3}$ and $\text{Im}[(V_{Hd})_{31}^*(V_{Hd})_{32}]$.

In the μ LFV plots, we fix

- $f = 1 \text{TeV}, (m_{T_+} = 1.34 \text{TeV})$,
 - $m_{e_H^{2,3}} = m_{q_H^{1,2,3}} = 500 \text{GeV}$,
 - $\theta_{23} = \theta_{13} = \delta_{ij} = 0$ for V_{He} .
- \Rightarrow free inputs: $m_{e_H^1}$ and θ_{12} in V_{He} .