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Lepton number violating τ decays

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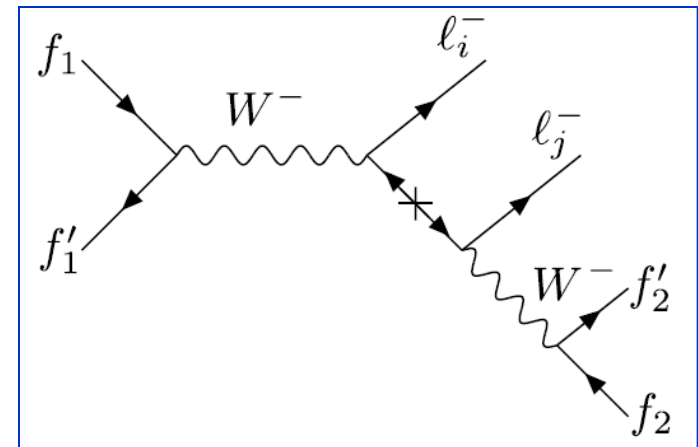
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- ◆ Very light neutrinos $\rightarrow \langle m_{ll'} \rangle = \sum_i U_{il} U_{l'i} m_i$,

- ◆ Very heavy neutrinos $\rightarrow \sum_k V_{lk} V_{l'k} / m_k$,

- ◆ Resonant neutrinos $\rightarrow \sum_k V_{lk} V_{l'k} m_k / \Gamma_N$

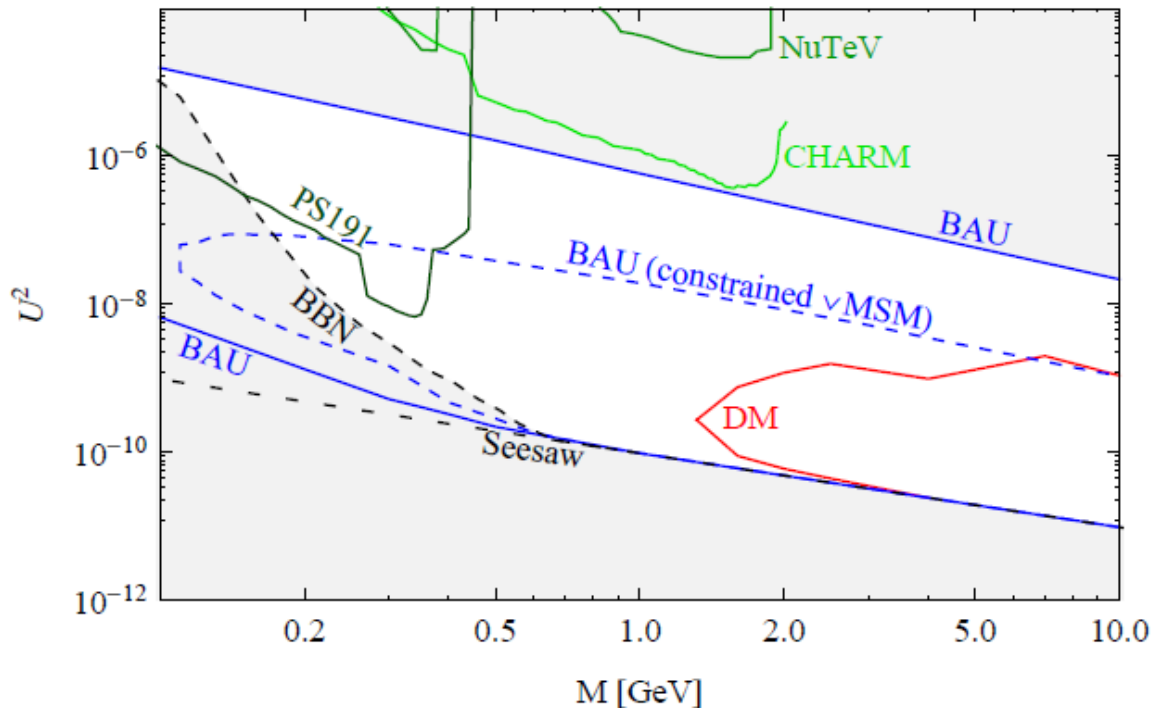


- ◆ Neutrino minimal Standard Model (ν MSM) = SM + 3 RH sterile ν 's (sterile ν 's couple to matter only via mixing with active ν 's)

$$\nu_l = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{li} \nu_i + \sum_{N=4}^{n+4} V_{lN} \nu_N$$

M. Shaposhnikov et al (around 20 papers in last 7 years); most recent 1208.4607 [hep-ph]

$$M = m_{N_{2,3}} \sim O(1\text{GeV}), \quad \text{BAU}$$



ν MSM may explain DM, BAU and ν oscillations, simultaneously

“Strong constraints, not achievable even at (super)flavor factories”!

New decay channels of interest at (super)flavor factories:

$$\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau l^- l'^- M^+; \quad l, l' = \mu, e$$

$$M = \pi, K, \rho, K^*$$

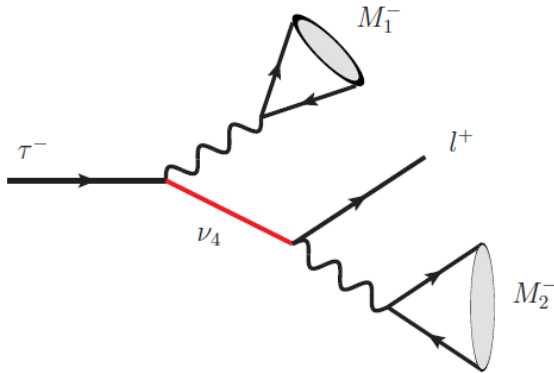
$$B^0 \rightarrow D^- l^+ l'^+ M^- \quad l, l' = e, \mu, \tau$$

$$M = \pi, \rho, K, \dots$$

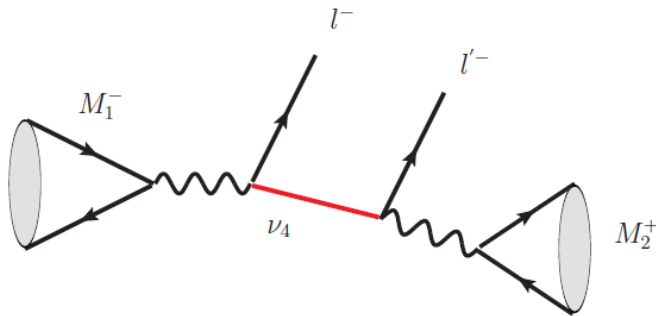
- D. Delepine, GLC, NQuintero, PRD84, 096011 (2011);
- N. Quintero and GLC, PRD85, 076006 (2012)

LNv in 3-body decays of mesons and τ 's

Assumption: Only 1 heavy neutrino dominates



$$\sim G_F^2 V_{\tau 4} V_{l 4} m_4 F_{RES} V_{M_1}^{CKM} V_{M_2}^{CKM} f_{M_1} f_{M_2}$$



$$\sim G_F^2 V_{l 4} V_{l' 4} m_4 F_{RES} V_{M_1}^{CKM} V_{M_2}^{CKM} f_{M_1} f_{M_2}$$

Atre, Han, Pascoli, & Zhang, JHEP 0905, 030 (2009)

Helo, Kovalenko, & Schmidt, NPB853, 80 (2011)

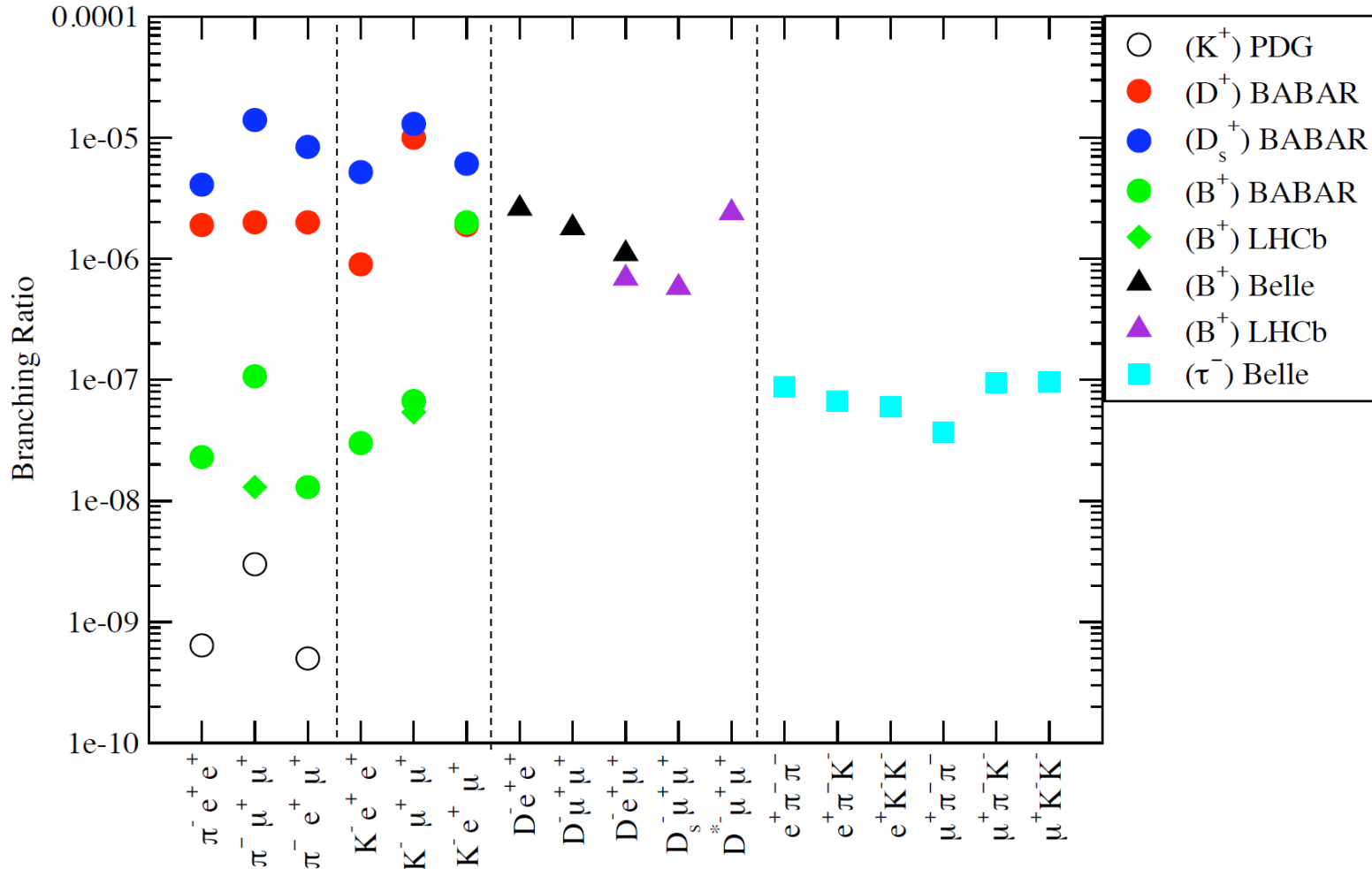
Zhang & Wang, EPJC 71, 1715 (2011)

Gribanov, Kovalenko & Schmidt, NPB607, 355 (2001).

$$F_{RES} \sim (q^2 - m_4^2 + im_4\Gamma_4)^{-1}$$

Resonance enhancement

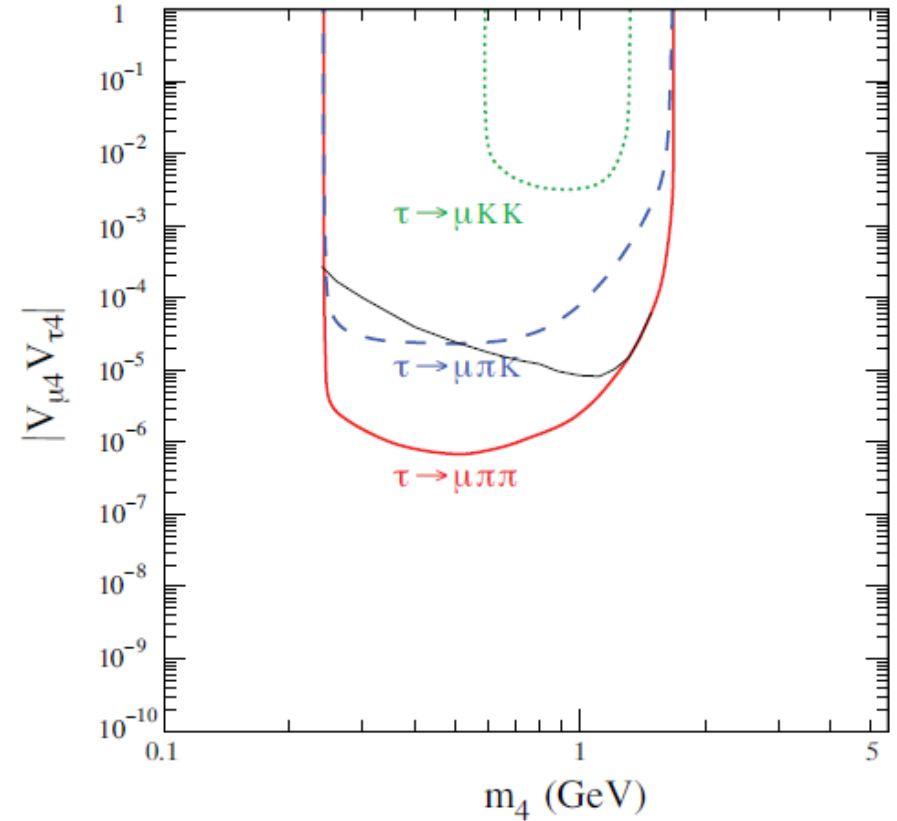
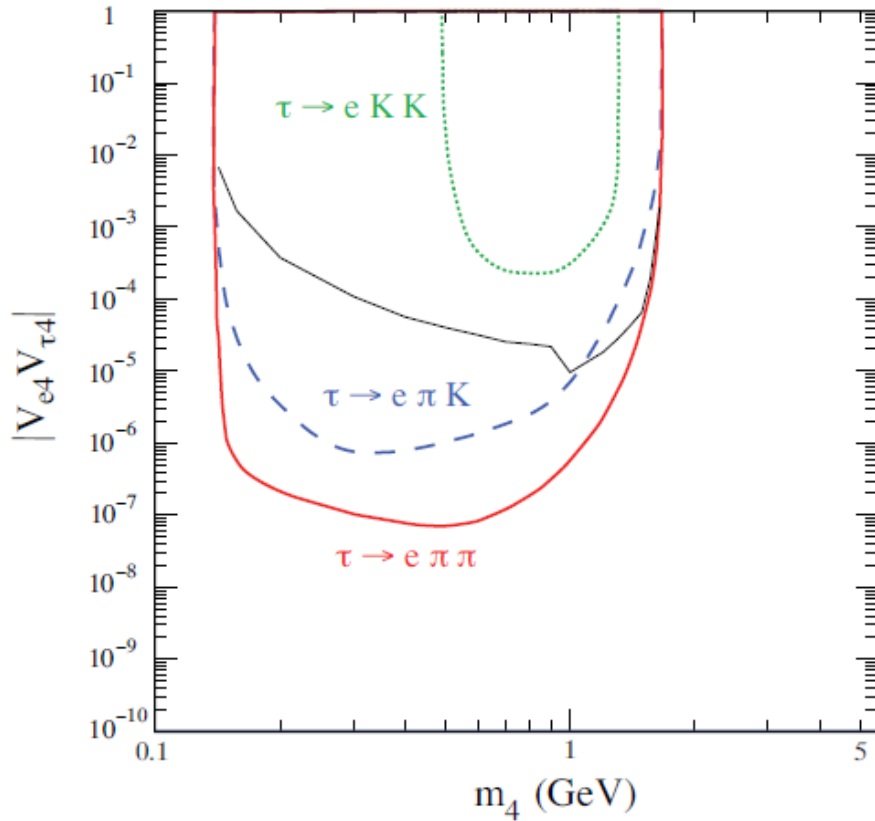
UL's on charged meson and τ^- LNV 3-body decays



- J. P. Lees et al (BABAR Collab), PRD 84 (2011); PRD 85 (2012)
- R. Aaij et al (LHCb Collab), PRL 108 (2012); PRD 85 (2012)
- O. Seon et al (Belle Collab) PRD 84 (2011)
- Y. Miyazaki et al (Belle Collab) PLB 682 (2010)

$$\tau^- \rightarrow e^+ M_1^- M_2^-$$

$$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ M_1^- M_2^-$$

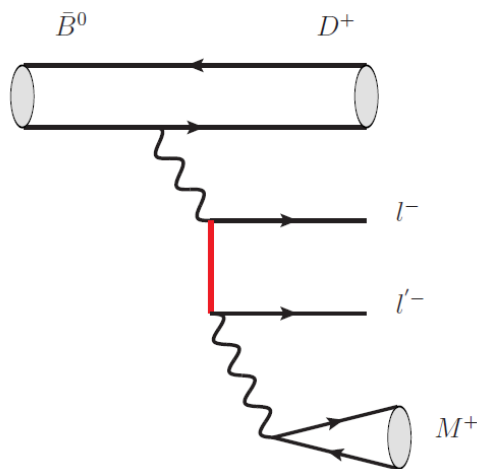


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Bounds on the product $V_{l4} V_{\tau 4}$ only

LVN 4-body decays of neutral B mesons



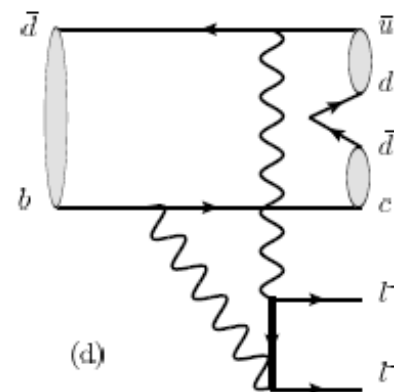
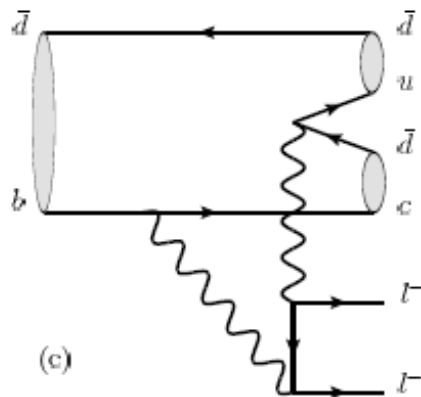
$$\sim G_F^2 V_{IN} V_{l'N} F_{RES} \underbrace{V_{cb}^{CKM} V_{ud}^{CKM}}_{\text{CKM allowed}} \underbrace{f_\pi F_+^{B \rightarrow D}(Q^2)}_{\text{Different dynamics}}$$

CKM allowed

Different dynamics

Delepine, GLC, Quintero, PRD84 (2011)

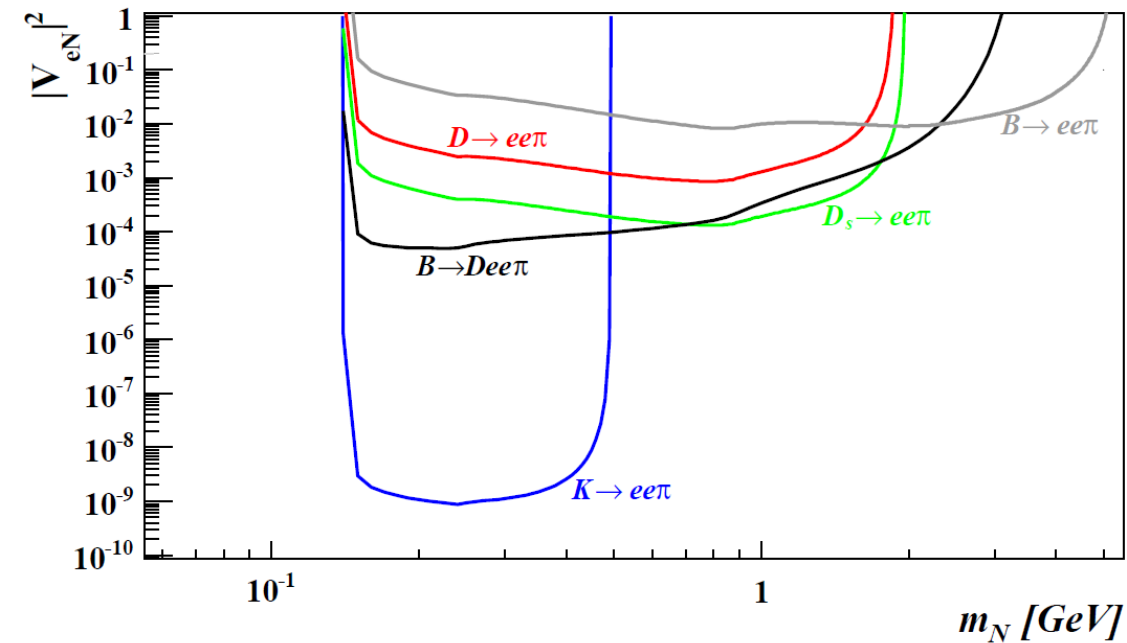
Disadvantage:
loop contributions



Current upper limits for 4-body decays

Channel	BR (UL)	Collaboration
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	2.9×10^{-5}	E791 (2001)
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- e^+ e^+$	1.1×10^{-4}	E791 (2001)
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \mu^+ e^+$	7.9×10^{-5}	E791 (2001)
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	3.9×10^{-4}	E791 (2001)
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^- e^+ e^+$	2.1×10^{-4}	E791 (2001)
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^- \mu^+ e^+$	2.2×10^{-4}	E791 (2001)
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	9.4×10^{-5}	E791 (2001)
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^- e^+ e^+$	1.5×10^{-4}	E791 (2001)
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^- \mu^+ e^+$	5.7×10^{-5}	E791 (2001)
$B^- \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$	1.5×10^{-6}	LHCb (2012)

- E. M. Aitala et al (E791 Collab), PRL86 (2001)
- R. Aaij et al (LHCb Collab), PRD 85 (2012)

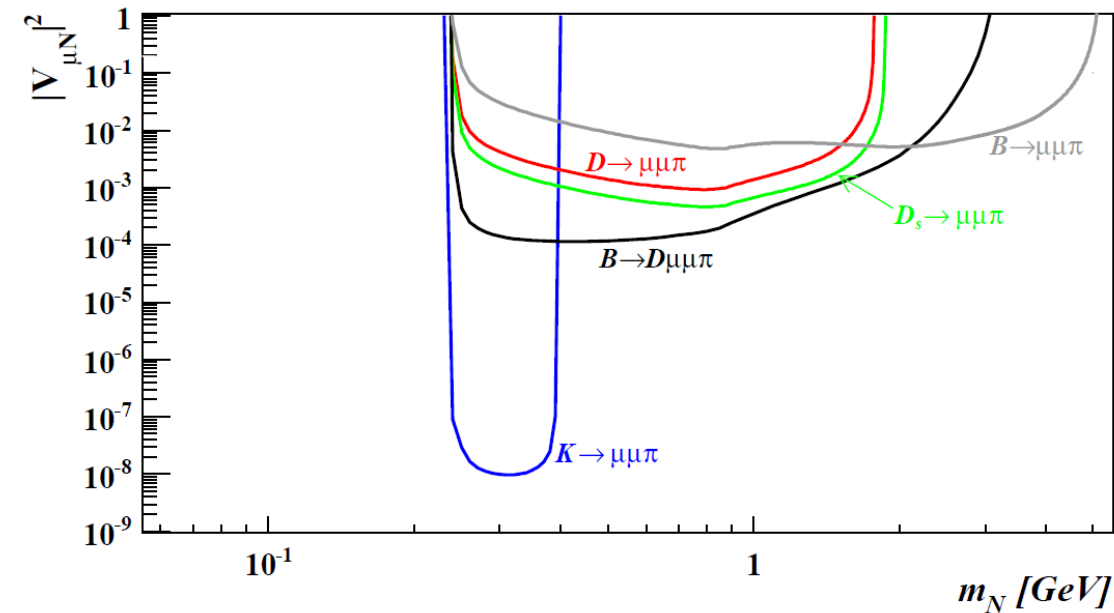


Assuming:

$$\text{BR}(B^0 \rightarrow D^+ l^- l^- M^+) \leq 10^{-7}$$

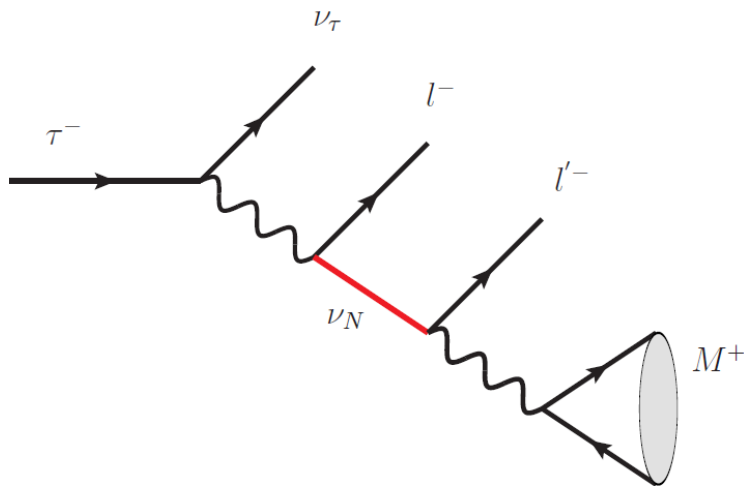
Form factors $B \rightarrow D$ from:

- Lattice Fermilab & MILC, arXiv: 1202.6364 ; BABAR, PRL 104 (2010)



Delepine, GLC, Quintero, PRD84 (2011)
 Erratum to be submitted

LVN 4-body decays of τ 's



$$\sim G_F^2 V_{lN} V_{l'N} m_N F_{RES} V_M^{CKM} f_M$$

$$l, l' = e, \mu$$

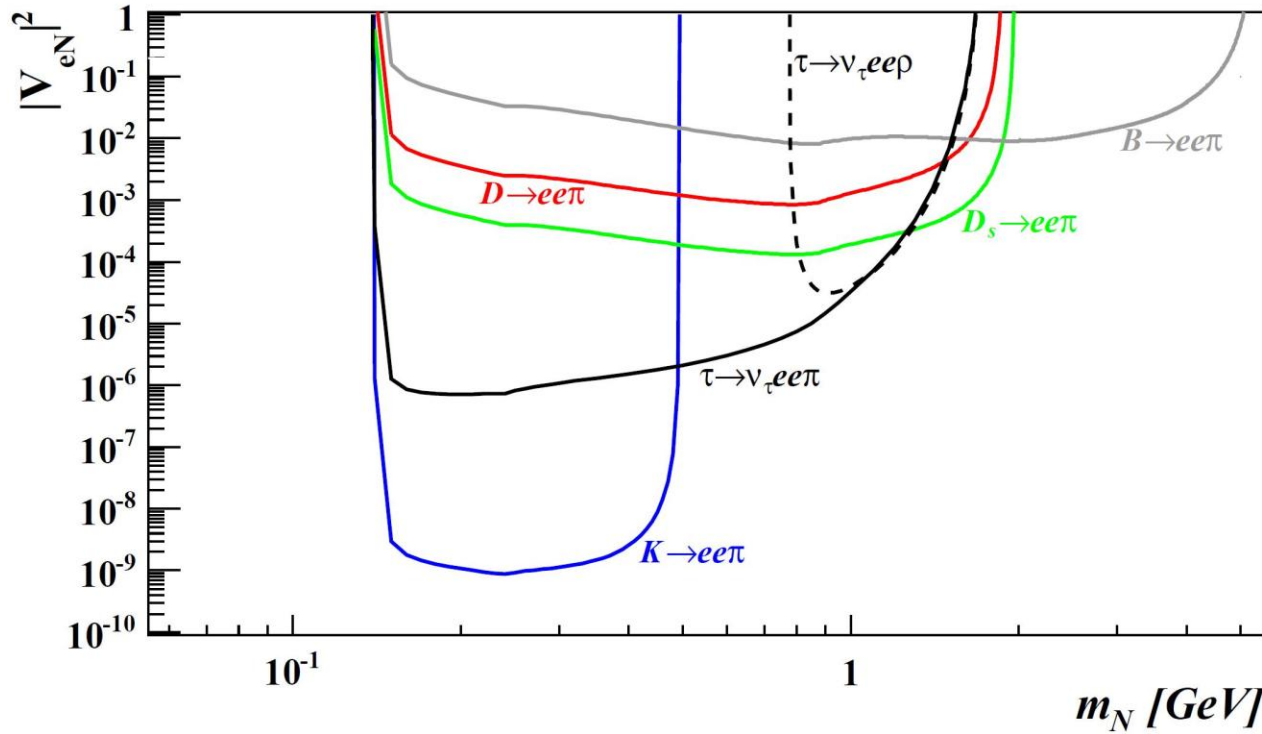
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Advantages:

- Access to $|V_{lN}|^2$ contrary to 3-body decays ($\sim V_{\tau 4} V_{l4}$)
- Leptonic couplings other than $V_{\tau N}$ compared to meson decays
- Absence of loop contributions

Quintero & GLC, PRD85, 076006 (2012)
Erratum to be submitted

Comparing bounds on $|V_{eN}|^2$

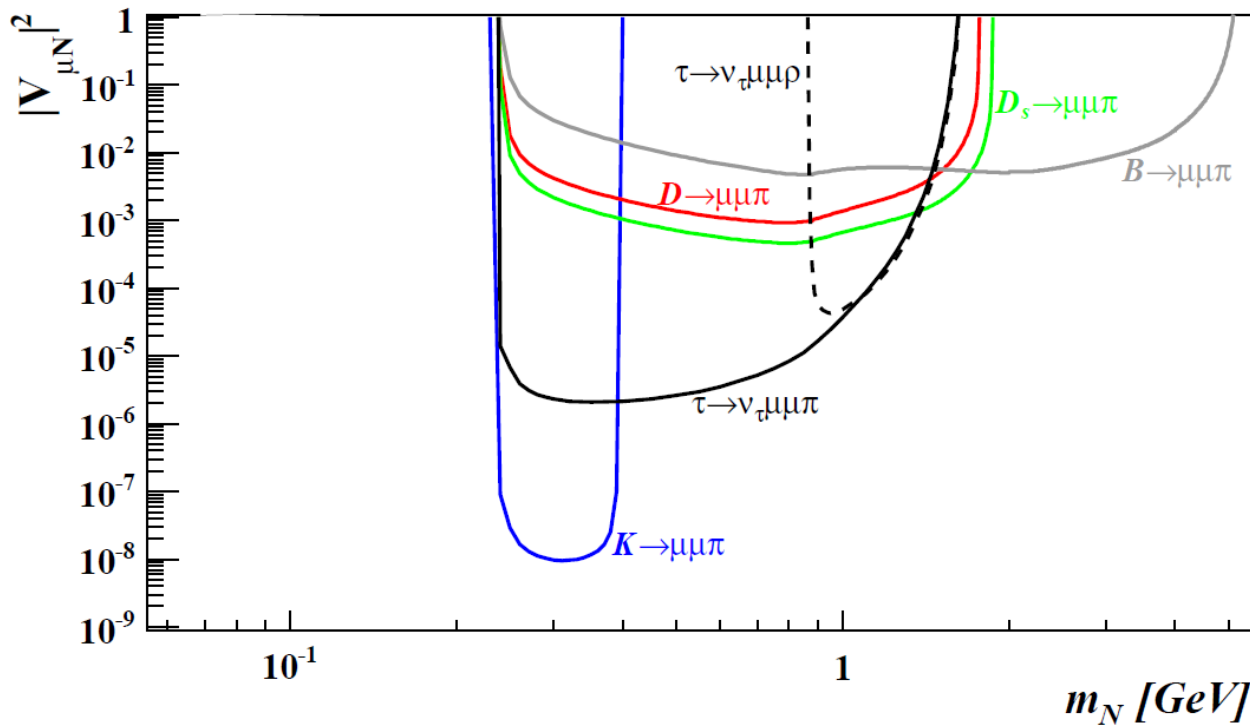


$$\text{BR}(e^- e^- M^+) \leq 10^{-8}$$

In NWA

$$\text{BR}(\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau l^- l^- X^+) = \frac{|V_{lN} V_{l'N}|^2}{f_e(m_N) |V_{eN}|^2 + f_\mu(m_N) |V_{\mu N}|^2} \cdot G(m_N)$$

Comparing bounds on $|V_{\mu N}|^2$



assume:

$$\text{BR}(\mu^- \mu^- M^+) \leq 10^{-8}$$

$$\text{BR}(\mu^- \mu^- \pi^+) \leq \begin{cases} 1.4 \times 10^{-5} \\ 8.2 \times 10^{-5} \end{cases}$$

for $m_N = 0.4 \text{ GeV}$

Our evaluation using $|V_{\text{IN}}|^2 \sim 10^{-3}$

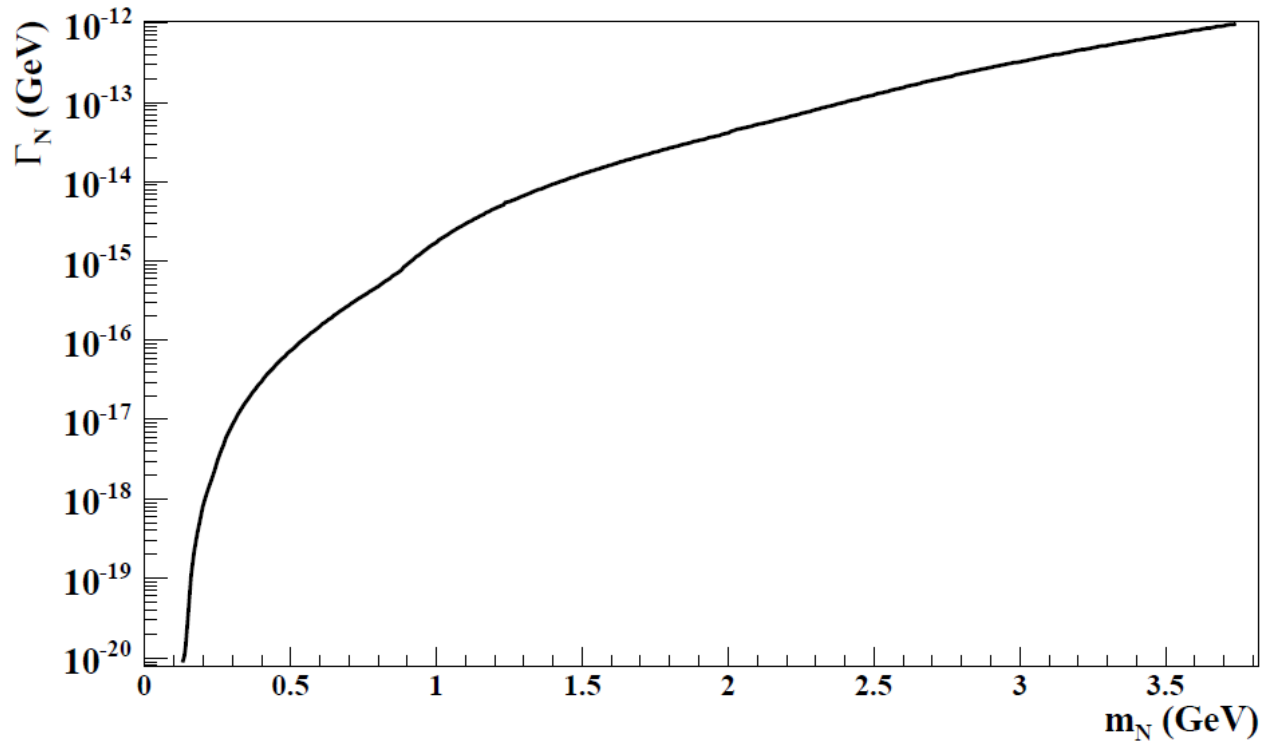
Estimate: C. Dib et al, PRD85 (2012)

Summary and Conclusions

- ◆ *Effects of resonant Majorana neutrinos can be searched at (super)flavor factories in $(\Delta L=2)$ τ , D , B decays*
- ◆ *Limits from 4-body decays can be competitive and complementary to searches in 3-body decays*
- ◆ *Strong limits on parameter space ($|V_{IN}|^2$ vs. m_N) can be derived from τ & B meson decays (may be, not competitive to astro and cosmological bounds)*

Heavy neutrino decay width:

$$N \rightarrow l^\pm P^\mp, \nu P^0, l^\pm V^\mp, \nu W^0, \\ l_1^\pm l_2^\mp \nu_{l_2}, \nu_{l_1} l_2^+ l_2^-, \nu_{l_1} \nu \bar{\nu}$$



Atre et al,
JHEP (2009)

Leptonic mass terms in SM + n right-handed singlets after SSB:

$$-L = \bar{\nu}_L m_D N_R + \frac{1}{2} \left(\bar{N}_R^c M_R N_R + \bar{\nu}_L M_L \nu_L^c \right) + h.c.$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} M_L & M_D \\ M_D^T & M_R \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Diagonalized by} \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} U_{3 \times 3} & V_{3 \times n} \\ X_{n \times 3} & Y_{n \times n} \end{pmatrix}, \quad TT^+ = 1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_{iL}^{ph} \\ N_{iR}^{ph} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{ij} \nu_{jL} + V_{ik} N_{kR}^c \\ X_{ij} \nu_{jL}^c + Y_{ik} N_{kR} \end{pmatrix}, \quad V \approx X \approx M_D M_N^{-1}, \quad U^+ M_R + Y^+ M_D = 0$$

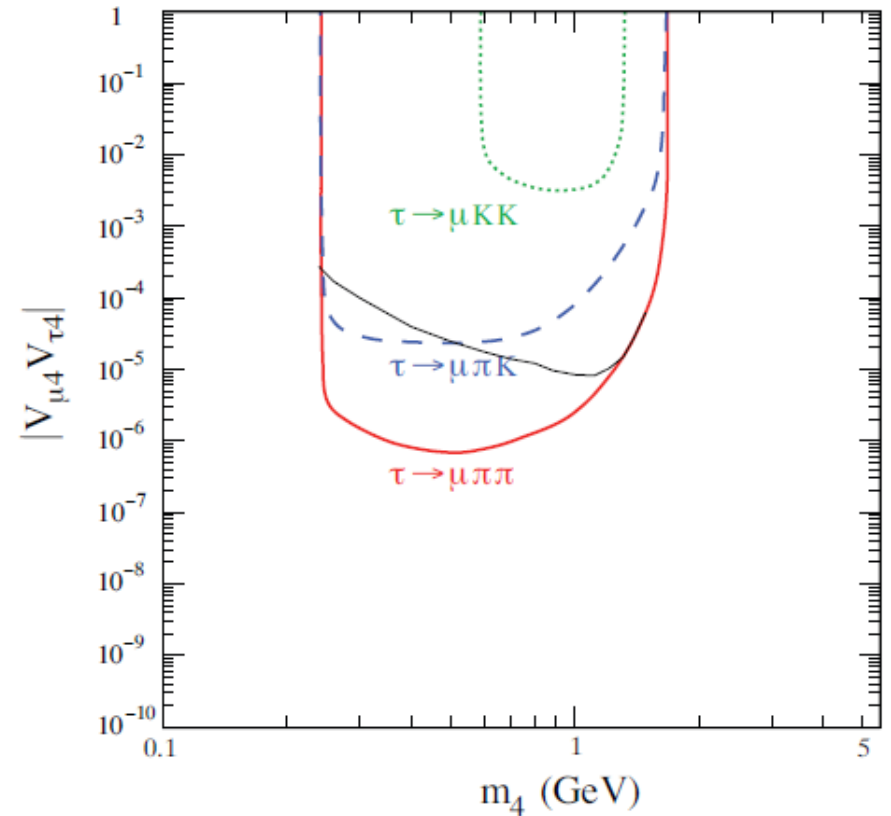
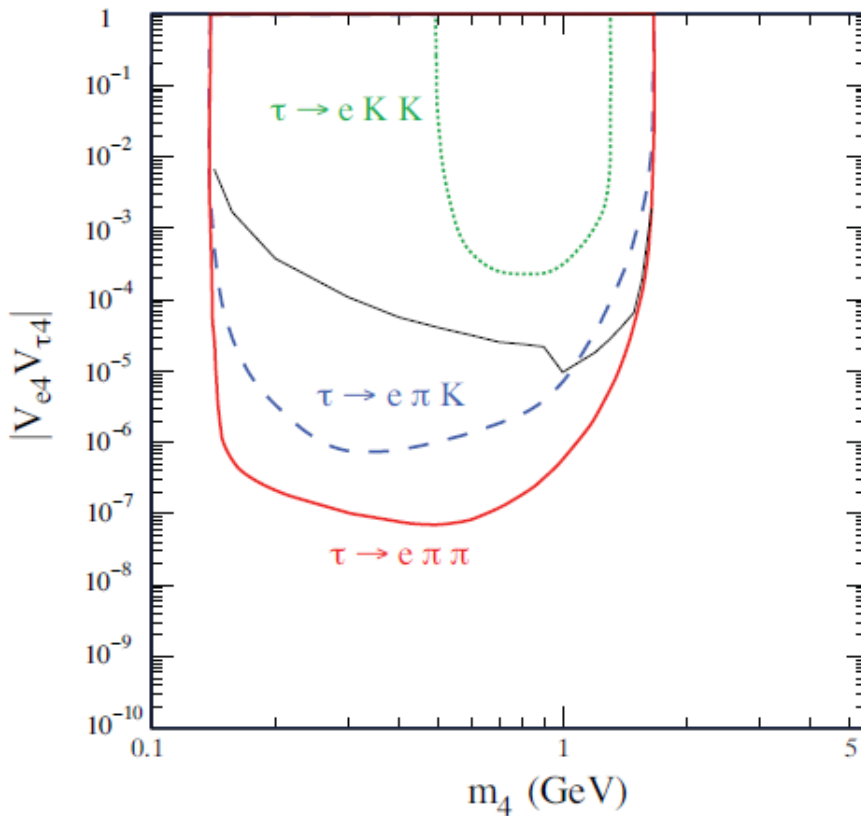
$$L_{cc} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ \sum_{l=e}^{\tau} \left(\sum_{m=1}^3 U_{lm}^* \bar{\nu}_m \gamma^\mu P_L l + \sum_{m'=4}^{3+n} V_{lm'}^* \bar{N}_{m'}^c \gamma^\mu P_L l \right) + h.c.$$

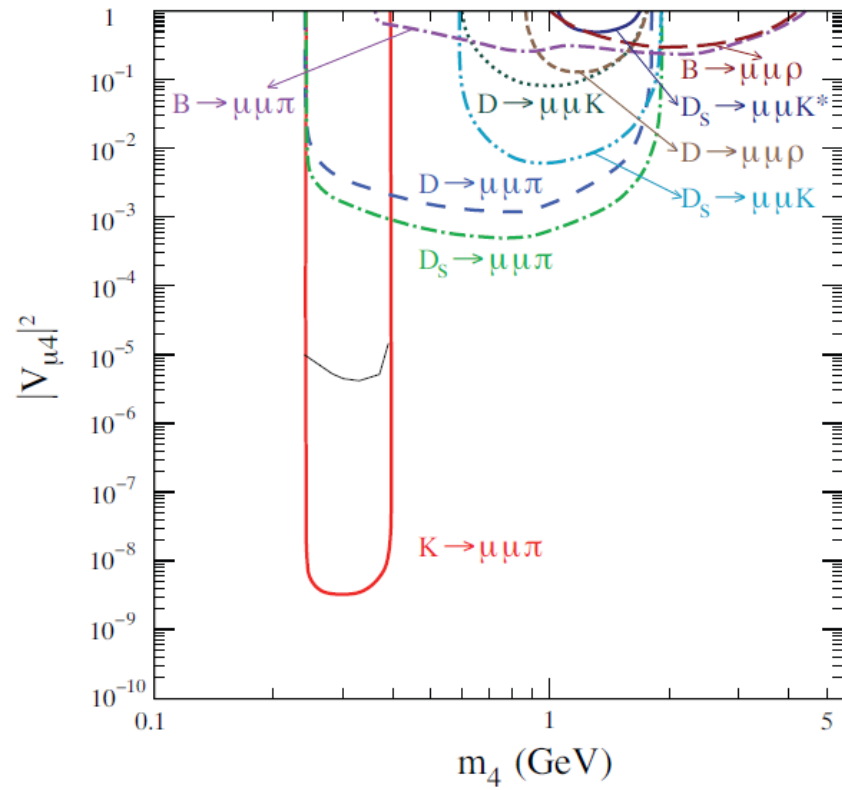
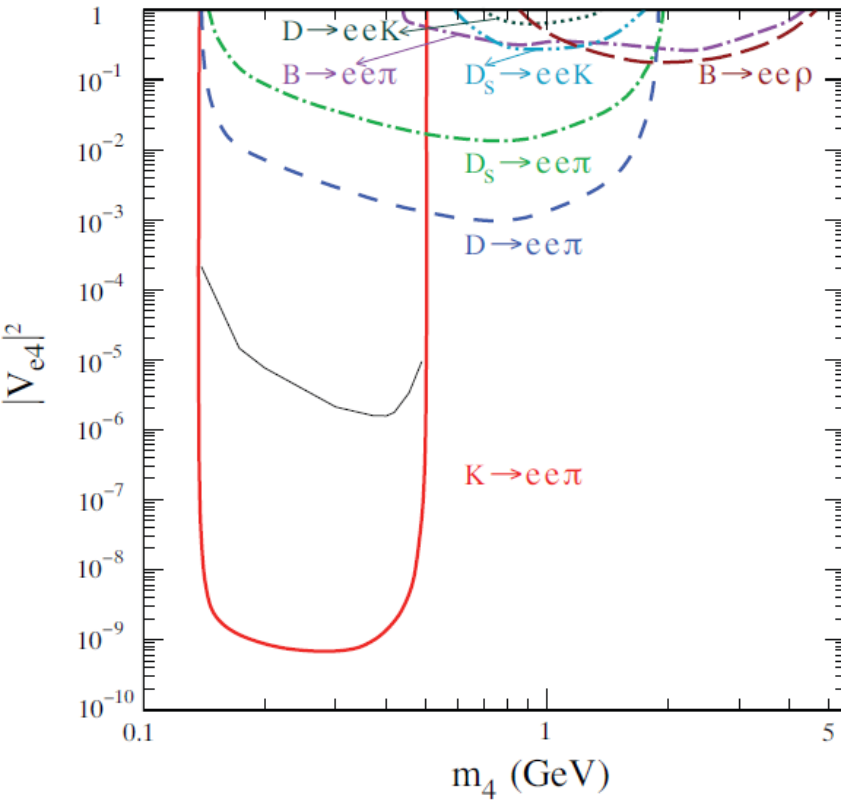
A. Atre et al, JHEP (2009); S.S. Bao et al, arXiv: 1208.5136

Decays occur within detector, L_{dec} : $P=1-\exp(-L_{dec} \Gamma_N)$

$L_{dec}=10$ mt, $\tau \rightarrow \pi e e, \pi \mu \mu$ (solid line)

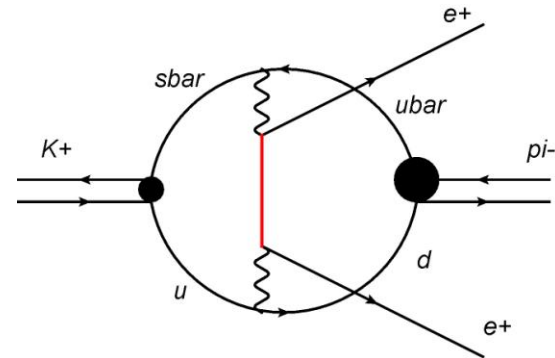
Atre et al, JHEP (2009)





- Atre, Han, Pascoli & Zhang, JHEP 0905, (2009);
- Helo, Kovalenko and Schmidt, NPB 853, (2011)

Important for charm and bottom
A. Ali, A. Borisov, M. Sidorova, 2006



Upper limits from charged mesons

$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ e^+$	6.4×10^{-10}				
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	3.0×10^{-9}		PDG		
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \mu^+$	5.0×10^{-10}				
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ e^+$	1.9×10^{-6}		$D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ e^+$	4.1×10^{-6}	
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	2.0×10^{-6}		$D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	14×10^{-6}	
$D^+ \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \mu^+$	2.0×10^{-6}		$D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ \mu^+$	8.4×10^{-6}	BABAR1
$D^+ \rightarrow K^- e^+ e^+$	0.9×10^{-6}		$D_s^+ \rightarrow K^- e^+ e^+$	5.2×10^{-6}	
$D^+ \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	10×10^{-6}		$D_s^+ \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	13×10^{-6}	
$D^+ \rightarrow K^- e^+ \mu^+$	1.9×10^{-6}		$D_s^+ \rightarrow K^- e^+ \mu^+$	6.1×10^{-6}	
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^- e^+ e^+$	2.3×10^{-8}	BABAR2	$B^+ \rightarrow D^- e^+ e^+$	2.6×10^{-6}	Belle
$B^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	10.7×10^{-8}	BABAR2	$B^+ \rightarrow D^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	1.8×10^{-6}	Belle
	1.3×10^{-8}	LHCb		6.9×10^{-7}	LHCb
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BABAR1: J. P. Lees et al, PRD 84, (2011)

BABAR2: J. P. Lees et al, PRD 85, (2012)

Belle: O. Seon et al, PRD 84 (2011)

LHCb: R. Aaij et al, PRL 108 (2012); PRD 85 (2012)

Current limits from tau leptons

Belle: PLB 682, 355 (2010), (90 % C.L.).

	$\mathcal{B}(\times 10^{-8})$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^+ \pi^- \pi^-$	8.8
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^+ \pi^- K^-$	6.7
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^+ K^- K^-$	6.0
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^- \pi^-$	3.7
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \pi^- K^-$	9.4
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ K^- K^-$	9.6