

Flavor violating  $\ell_i$  decay into a  $\ell_j$  and a light gauge boson, ‘ $\chi$ ’

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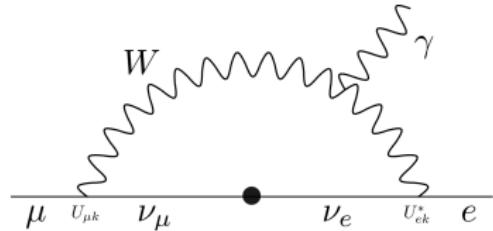
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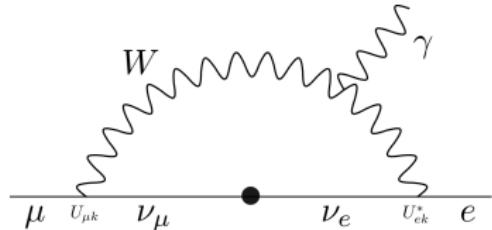
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⇒ SM Predictions:

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$$\mathcal{Br}(\mu \rightarrow 3e) \sim 10^{-54}, \mathcal{Br}(\tau \rightarrow 3\ell) \sim 10^{-55} \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{Hernández-Tomé, López-Castro \& Roig, '19} \\ &\text{Blackstone, Fael \& Passemar, '20} \end{aligned}$$

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In this work we will focus on light gauge bosons ( $\chi$ ), associated to the spontaneous breaking of an Abelian gauge symmetry,  $U(1)_\chi$ . We will show that in a renormalizable and gauge invariant theory the rate does not diverge when  $m_\chi \rightarrow 0$ .

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In an effective field theory approach, great care should be taken when considering decays into ultralight gauge bosons, since in a gauge invariant and renormalizable theory one generically expects the rate of  $\ell_i \rightarrow \ell_j \chi$  to be finite

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$L_i = (\nu_{L_i}, e_{L_i})$  and  $e_{R_i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , denote the Standard Model  $SU(2)_L$  lepton doublets and singlets, respectively.



We have restricted ourselves to the two generation case, although the extension to three generations is straightforward

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$\phi_{jk}$  complex scalar fields and doublets under  $SU(2)_L$ . We assume that the hypercharge  $Y_{jk} = 1/2$  and charge under  $U(1)_\chi$   $q_{\phi_{jk}} = q_{L_j} - q_{e_k}$ .



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where  $D_\mu$  denotes the covariant derivative

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The non-zero  $\langle \phi_{jk} \rangle = v_{jk}$  generate a mass for the  $\chi$  boson:

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Assuming  $y_{22} \gg y_{11} \gg y_{12}, y_{21}$ ,  $v_{ij} = v$ , and  $q_{ij} = Q$  the relevant parameters are:

$$\begin{aligned} m_\mu^2 &\simeq y_{22}^2 v^2, & m_e^2 &\simeq y_{11}^2 v^2, & m_\chi^2 &\simeq 4g_\chi^2 Q^2 v^2 \\ \sin 2\theta_L &\simeq -2 \frac{y_{12}}{y_{22}}, & \sin 2\theta_R &\simeq -2 \frac{y_{21}}{y_{22}} . \end{aligned}$$

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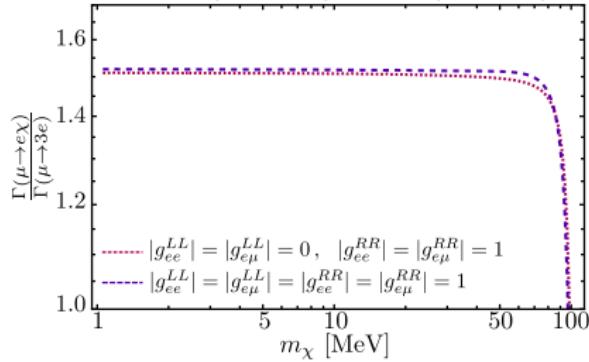
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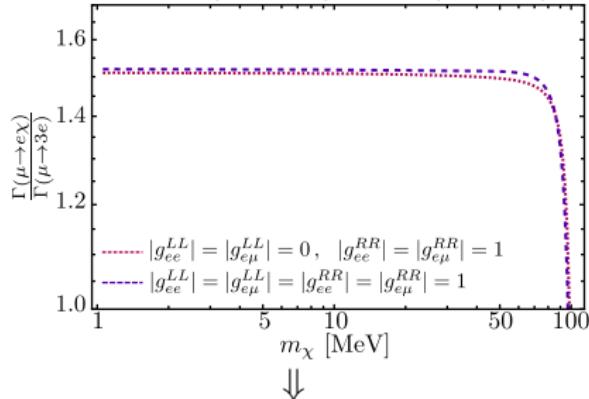
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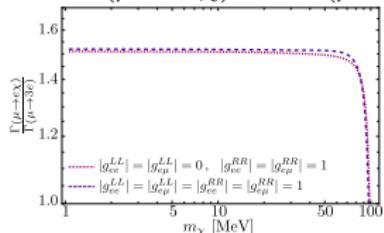
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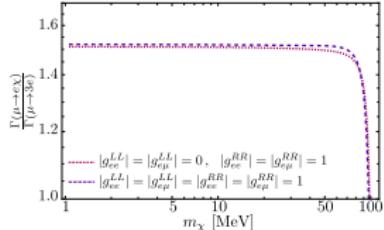
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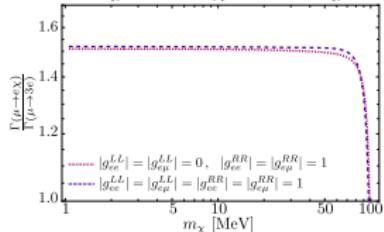
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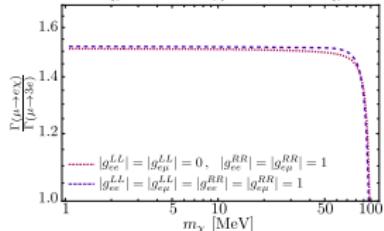
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Spins and charges under  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \times U(1)_\chi$  of the particles of the model

	$L_1$	$L_2$	$e_{R_1}$	$e_{R_2}$	$\phi$	$\psi$	$\eta$
spin	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	0	1/2	0
$SU(2)_L$	2	2	1	1	2	1	1
$U(1)_Y$	-1/2	-1/2	-1	-1	+1/2	$Y_\psi$	$Y_\eta$
$U(1)_\chi$	$q_L$	$q_L$	$q_e$	$q_e$	$q_\phi$	$q_\psi$	$q_\eta$

To violate the lepton flavor, we introduce a new Dirac fermion  $\psi$  and a new complex scalar  $\eta$ .

We assume that  $q_e = q_\psi + q_\eta$  and  $Y_e = Y_\psi + Y_\eta$ .

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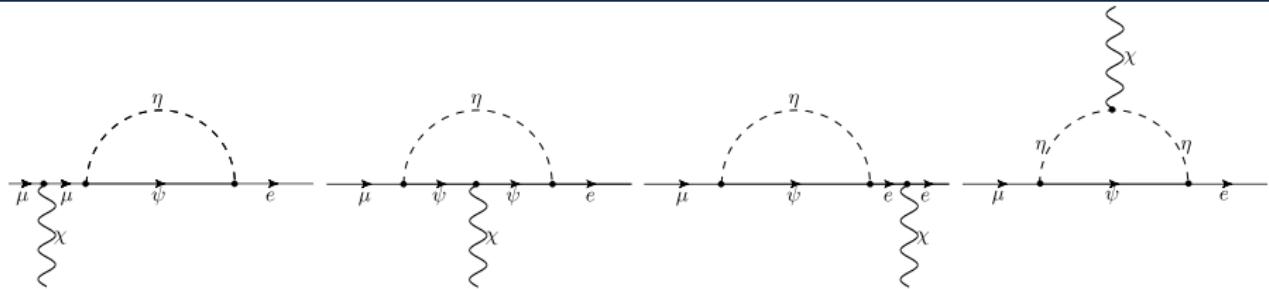
The interaction terms with the massive gauge boson  $\chi$  in the mass eigenstates:

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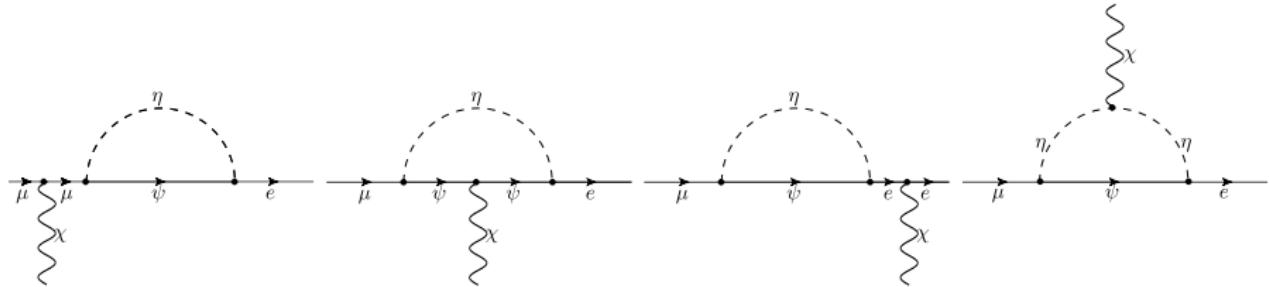
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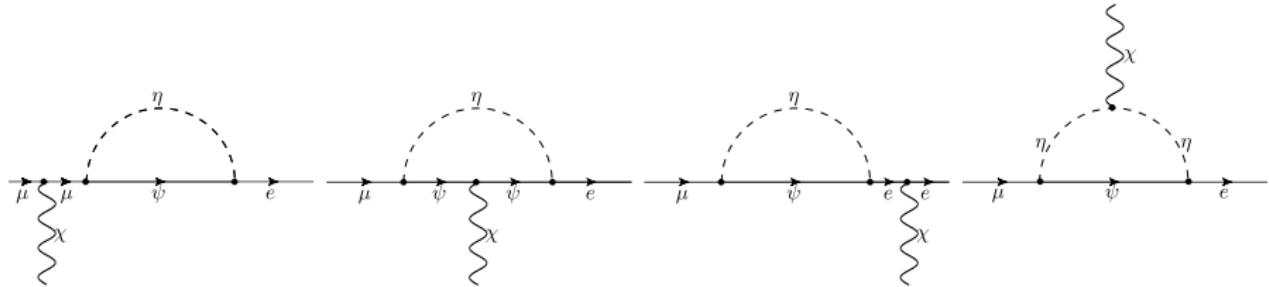


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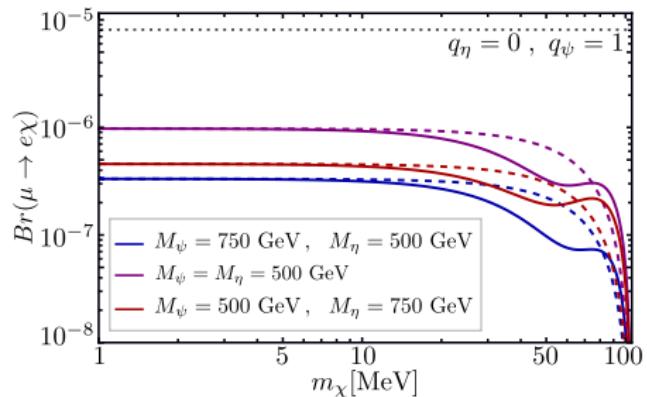
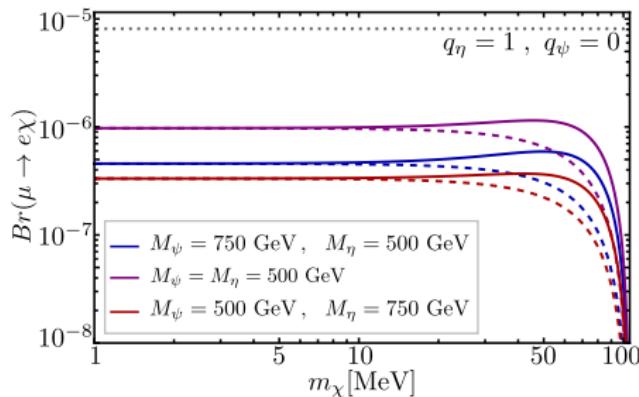
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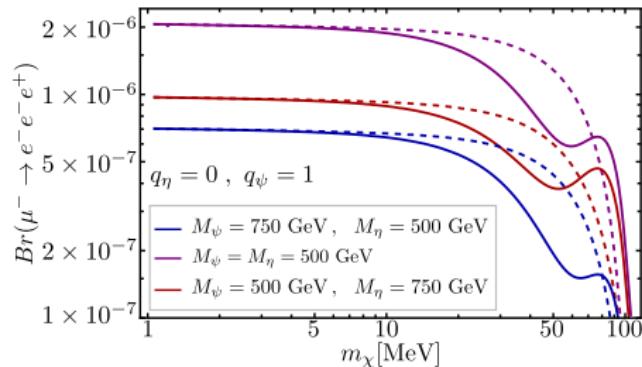
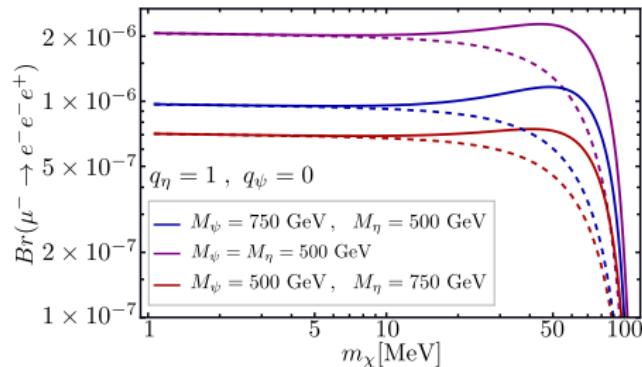
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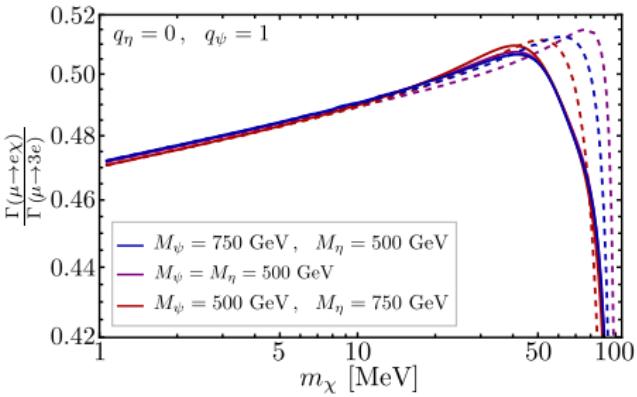
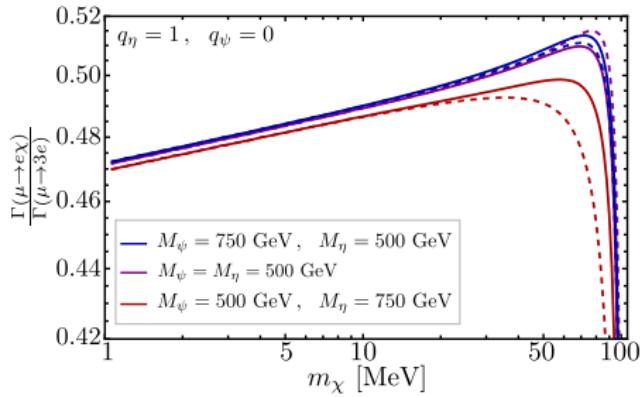
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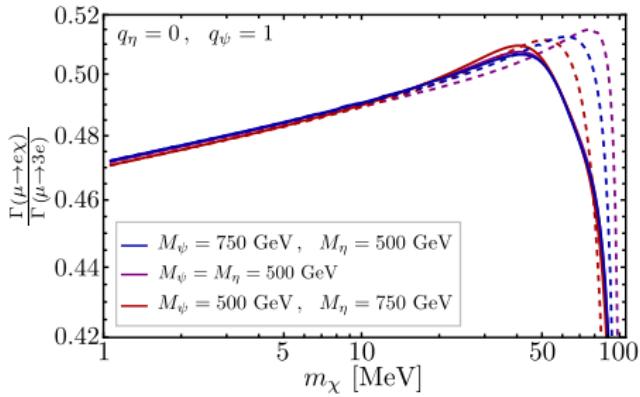
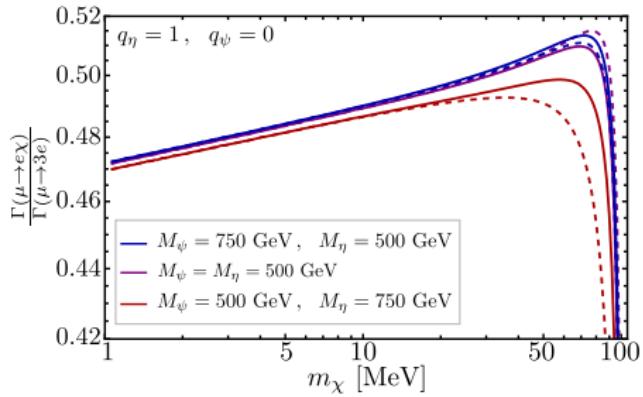


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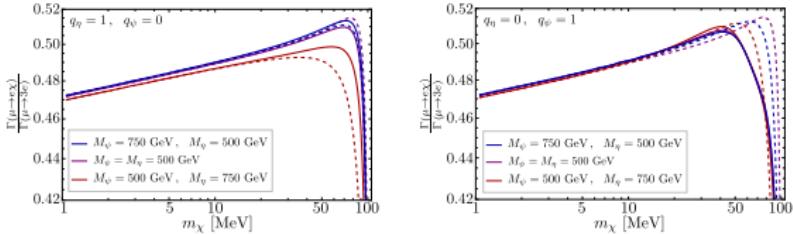


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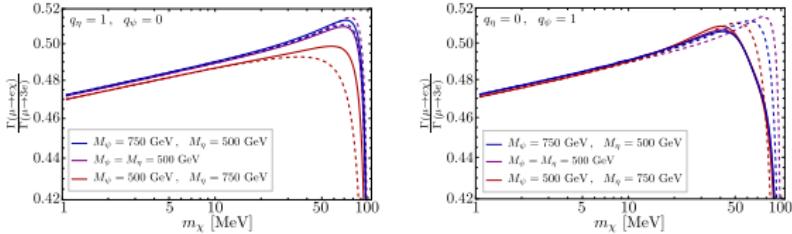
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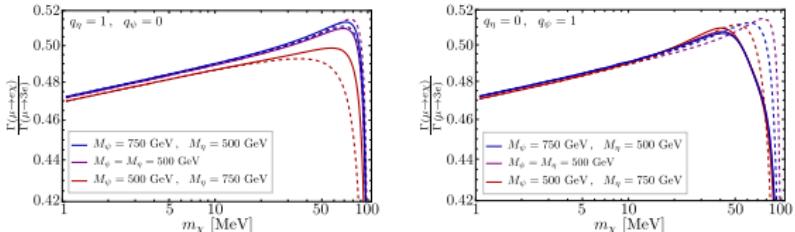
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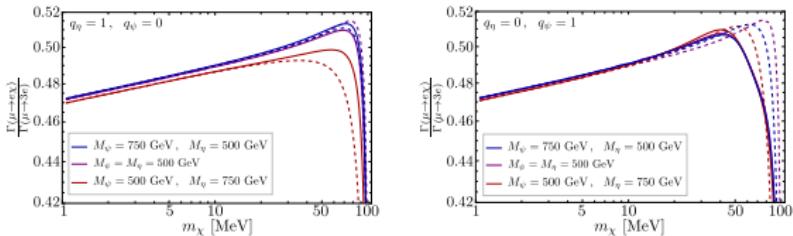
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$$\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e\chi) \simeq \frac{m_\mu}{8\pi} \left(1 - \frac{m_\chi^2}{m_\mu^2}\right)^2 \left[ \left| F_1(m_\chi^2) \frac{m_\mu}{m_\chi} - F_2(m_\chi^2) \frac{m_\chi}{m_\mu} \right|^2 + 2|F_1(m_\chi^2) - F_2(m_\chi^2)|^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e\chi)}{\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow 3e)} \sim \frac{1}{2}$$

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- To investigate the limit  $m_\chi \ll m_\mu$  we have constructed two explicit renormalizable models where the decay  $\mu \rightarrow e\chi$  is generated either at tree level or at the one-loop level. In both cases, we have found a **finite rate for  $\mu \rightarrow e\chi$  in the limit  $m_\chi \rightarrow 0$ .**
- For the tree-level model we find that the decay is dominated by coupling terms proportional to  $\gamma^\mu$  and  $\gamma^5\gamma^\mu$ .
- For the one-loop model the decay is mediated by interaction vertices proportional to  $\gamma^\mu$ ,  $\gamma^5\gamma^\mu$ ,  $\sigma^{\mu\nu}p_{\chi\nu}$  and  $\gamma^5\sigma^{\mu\nu}p_{\chi\nu}$ , although the latter two give the **dominant contributions** for  $m_\chi \rightarrow 0$ .

# Thank you!