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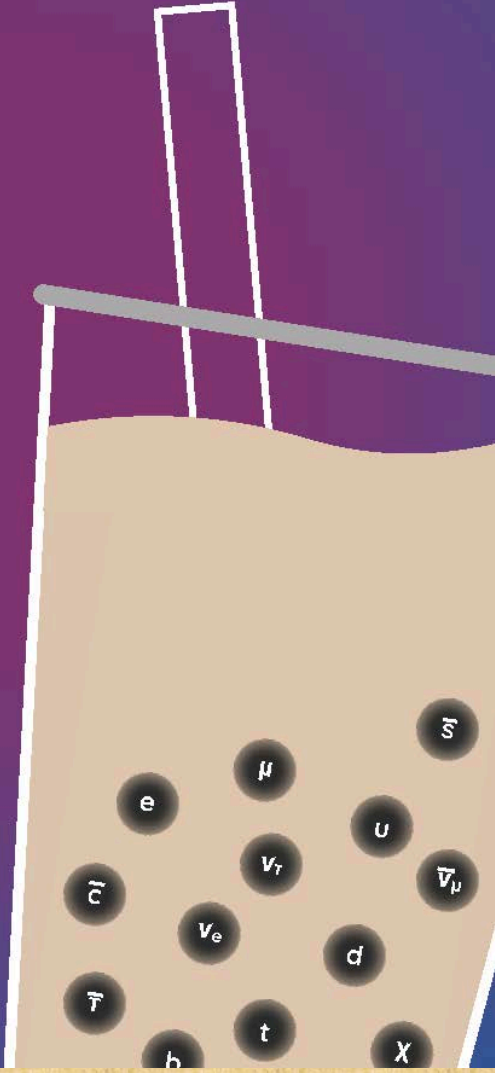
# Probing lepton-flavor-violating processes in $e^+e^-$ colliders

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# 1. Introduction



- Lepton Flavor Conservation:



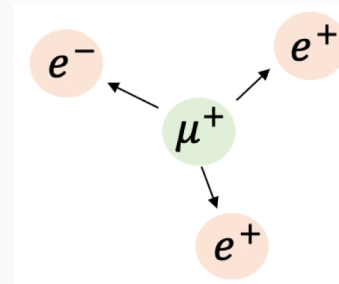
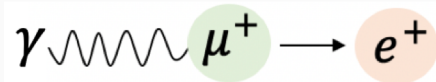
In Standard Model of particle physics, lepton flavors are expected to be conserved.

however

- ✓ No fundamental symmetry is associated with this conservation.
- ✓ Some theories of **physics BSM** still incorporate lepton flavor violating processes.

For example,

- ✓ Rare decays of the muon:  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  and  $\mu \rightarrow 3e$ .



Lepton colliders



- ✓ The charge-changing  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^+$  conversion in muonic atoms:  $\mu^- + (Z, A) \rightarrow e^+ + (Z - 2, A)$

- Lepton Flavor Violation:** “Charged leptons can change their flavor during interactions.”



## Why is Lepton Flavor Violation interesting?

- A clear signal of new physics.
- One of attractive explanations for the muon anomalous magnetic moment.
- ✓ Prominently, **muon-related** LFV processes are of current interest

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+\mu^-\phi \text{ and } e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+e^-\phi$$

$\hookrightarrow$  solution for  $\begin{cases} 4.2\sigma (g_\mu - 2) \text{ anomaly [1].} \\ 1.5\sigma (g_\mu - 2) \text{ anomaly [2] with} \\ \text{leading hadronic contribution} \\ \text{to } a_\mu \text{ from lattice QCD.} \end{cases}$

[1] Stephan Narison, Nuclear Physics A 1039, 122744 (2023).

[2] Sz. Borsanyi *et al.*, Nature volume 593, pages51–55 (7 April 2021).

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2. The lepton-flavor-violating  
mediator

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi e\mu} = \sum_{\ell=e,\mu,\tau} \mathbf{y}_\ell \bar{\ell}_L \phi \ell_R + y_{e\mu} \bar{e}_L \phi \mu_R + y_{\mu e} \bar{\mu}_L \phi e_R + \text{h. c.}, \quad (1)$$

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### Assuming that:

- The flavor diagonal terms with  $\mathbf{y}_\ell$  are vanishing.
- Only involving LFV nondiagonal terms of  $e$  and  $\mu$ .

(1) ↓ rewritten as

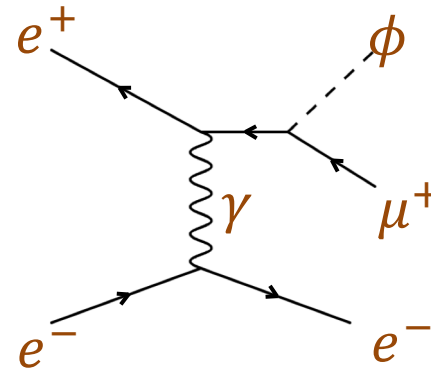
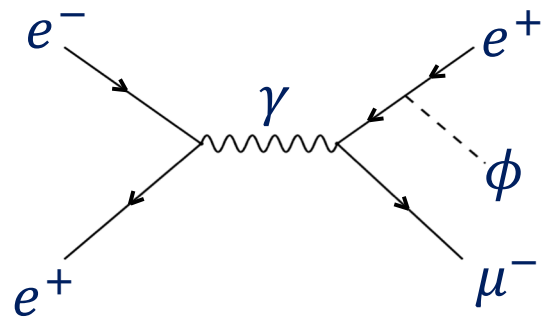
$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi e\mu} = \phi \bar{e} (g_{e\mu} + h_{e\mu} \gamma^5) \mu + \phi \bar{\mu} (g_{e\mu}^* - h_{e\mu}^* \gamma^5) e \quad (2)$$

where  $g_{e\mu} = (y_{e\mu} + y_{\mu e}^*)/2$  and  $h_{e\mu} = (y_{e\mu} - y_{\mu e}^*)/2$



Lagrangian:

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi e\mu} = h_{e\mu} \phi \bar{e} (1 + \gamma^5) \mu + h_{e\mu} \phi \bar{\mu} (1 - \gamma^5) e$$

↓ probing

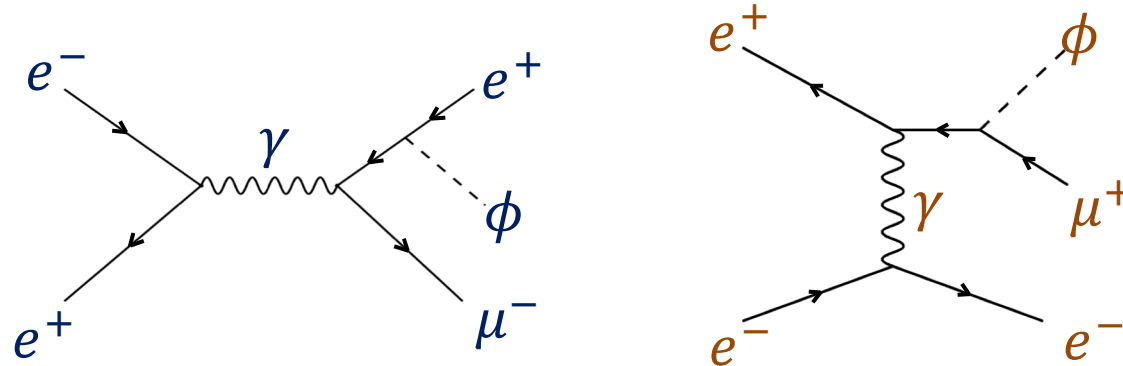
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$$\text{Approximation [4]} \rightarrow \Delta a_\mu = \frac{h_{e\mu}^2}{8\pi^2} \left[ 2x_a^2 \log\left(\frac{x_a}{x_a - 1}\right) - 1 - 2x_a \right] \quad (4)$$

for  $m_\phi > m_\mu$  where  $x_a = m_\phi^2/m_\mu^2$ .

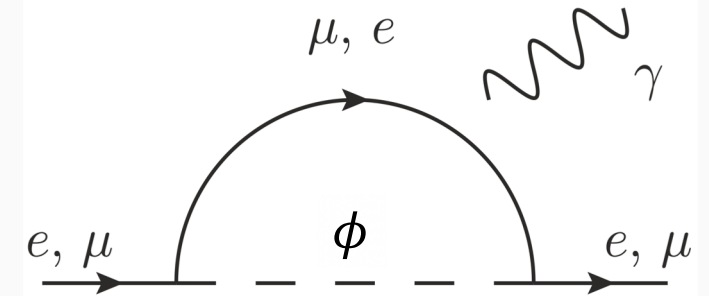


Fig. 1: The contribution of one-loop diagram to  $a_\mu$  mediated by the scalar  $\phi$  in the LFV model.

Existing constraints on the coupling  $h_{\mu e}$  in **LFV scalar** search

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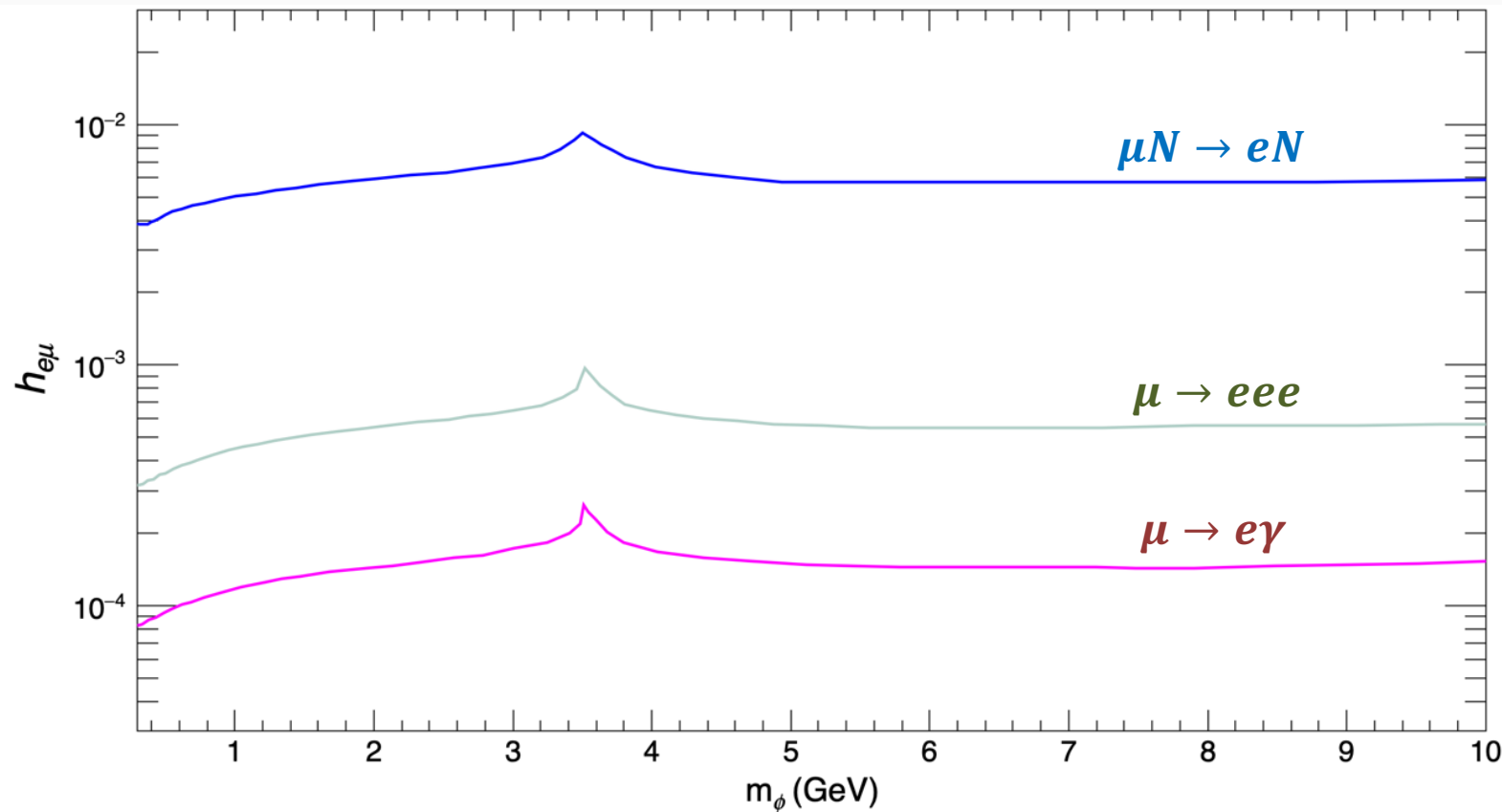


Fig. 2: The CLFV coupling is taken to  $h_{e\mu}/g_{\ell\ell} = 10^3$  [5].

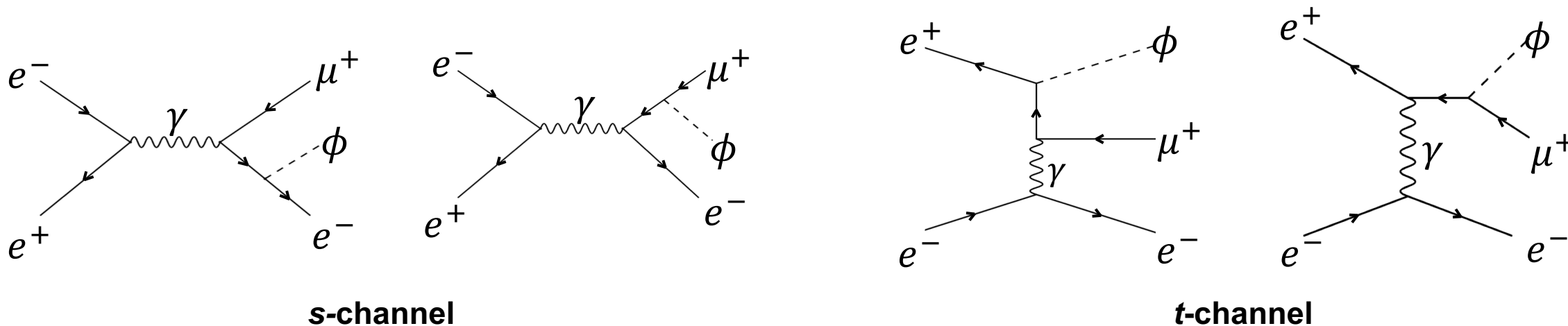


# 3. Probing the LFV model at Belle II experiment





Belle II experiment

An energy asymmetric detector of 7 GeV  $e^-$  and 4 GeV  $e^+$  with  $E_{C.M.} = 10.58$  GeV.LFV processes:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp\phi$ Fig. 3: Feynman diagrams for process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+\phi$ 

Visible decay: Two pair of same-sign final-state electrons and muons

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+\mu^-\phi \rightarrow e^+\mu^-\mu^-e^+$$

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+\phi \rightarrow e^-\mu^+\mu^+e^-$$

In the range:  $1 \leq m_\phi/\text{GeV} \leq 8$

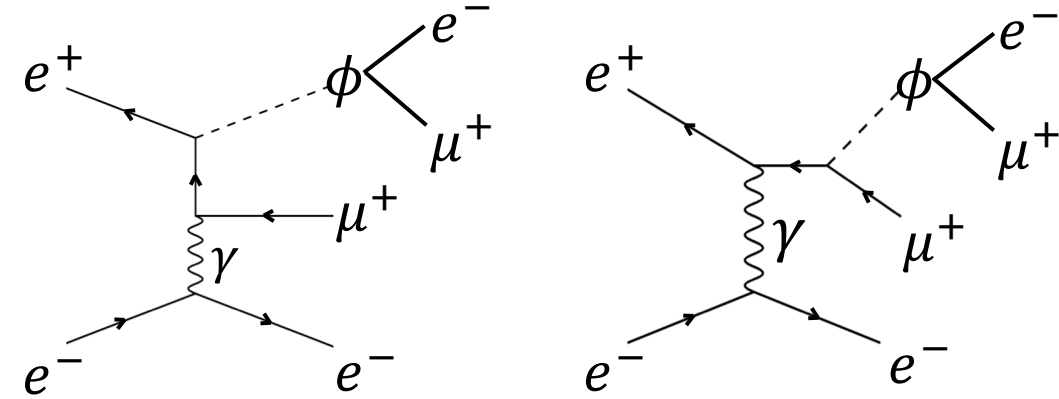
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**t-channel**

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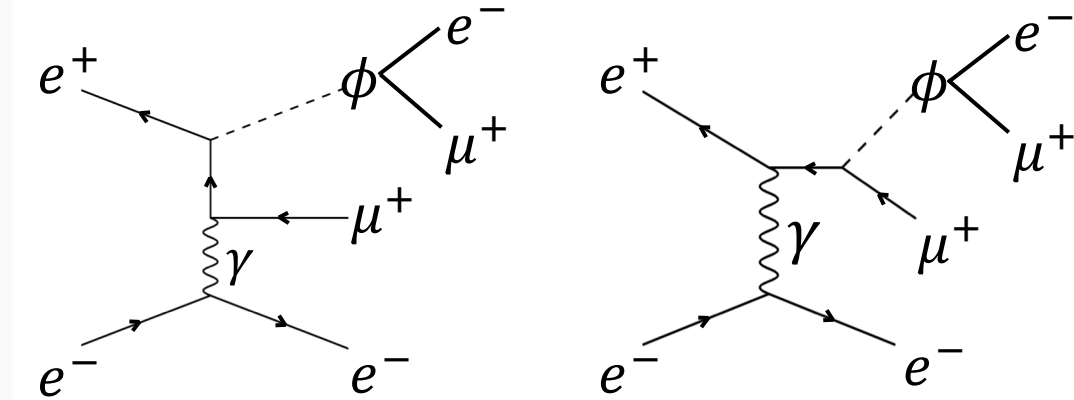
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### Using

- **Background free selection** with  $N_{95\%up}$  of 3 events for a Poisson signal.
- Assuming  $\text{Br}(\phi \rightarrow e^+\mu^-) = \text{Br}(\phi \rightarrow e^-\mu^+) = 0.5$ .
- The simulation package MadGraph5 and CalcHEP.
- A cut of *CleanedTracks* selection criteria for the **kinematical cuts** and **lepton tagging efficiencies** for the final-state leptons [6].

At  $\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , Belle II limit  
on  $h_{e\mu}$  for  $1 \leq m_\phi/\text{GeV} \leq 8$

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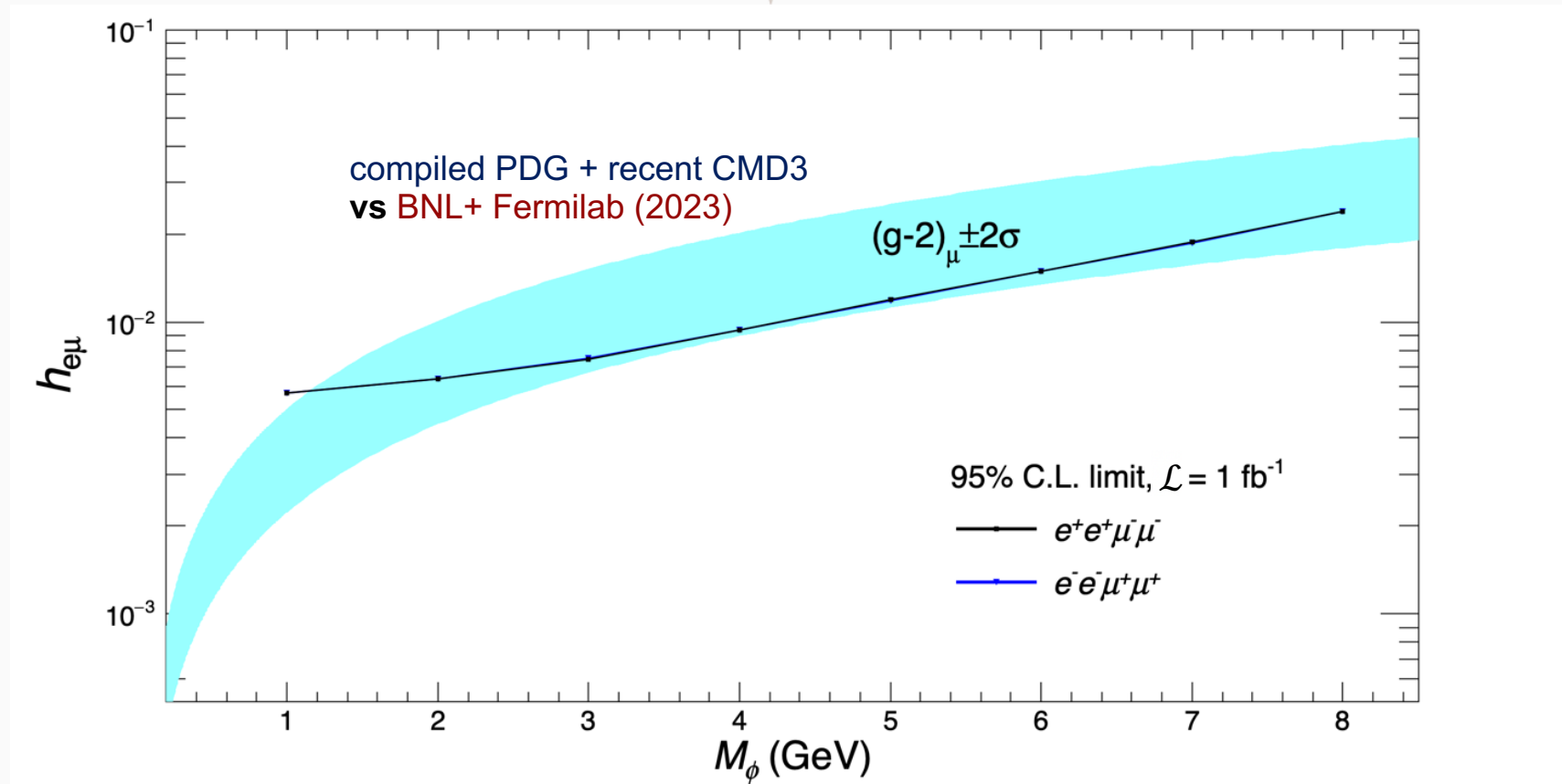


Fig. 4: The sensitivity to  $h_{e\mu}$  as a function of  $m_\phi$  expected for LFV scalar search at Belle II.

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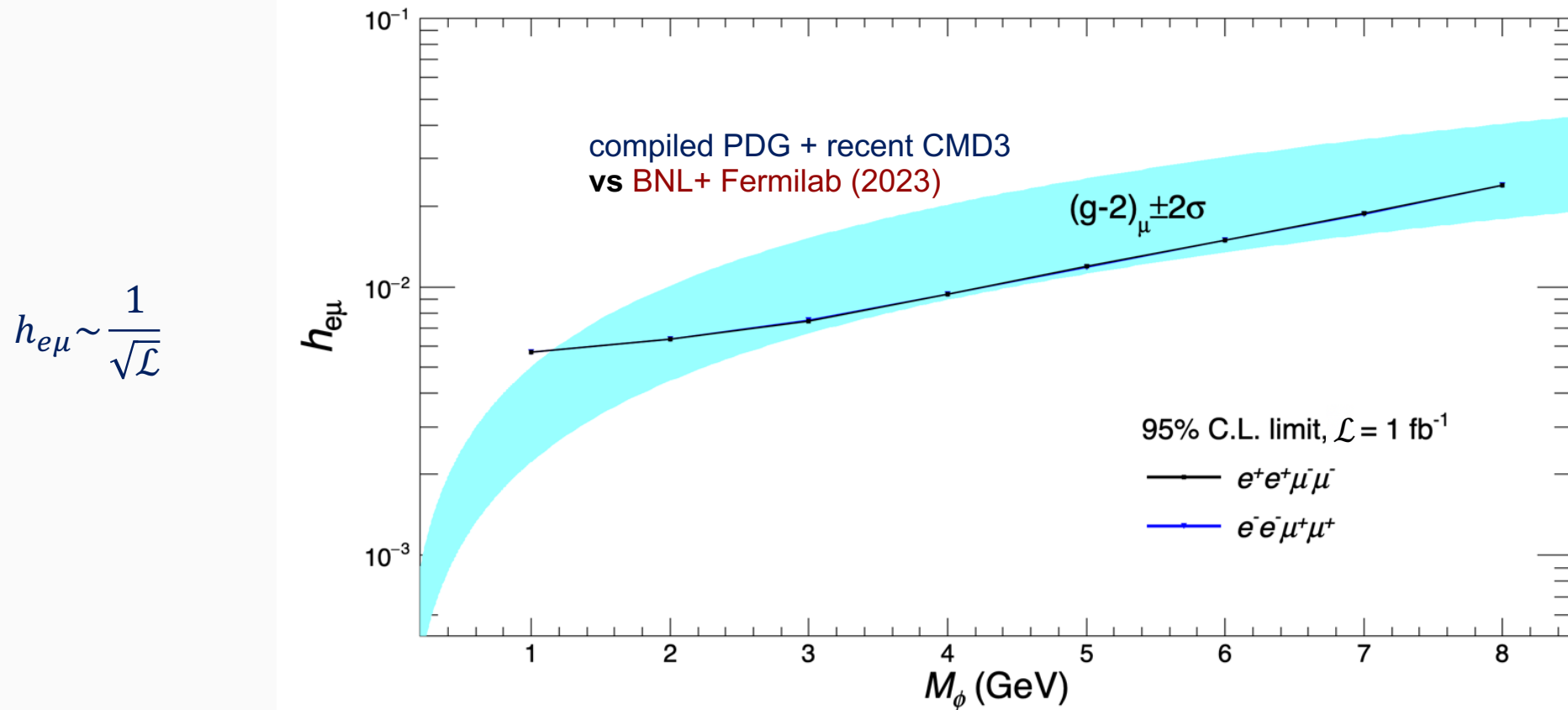


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At Belle II full luminosity  $\mathcal{L} = 50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

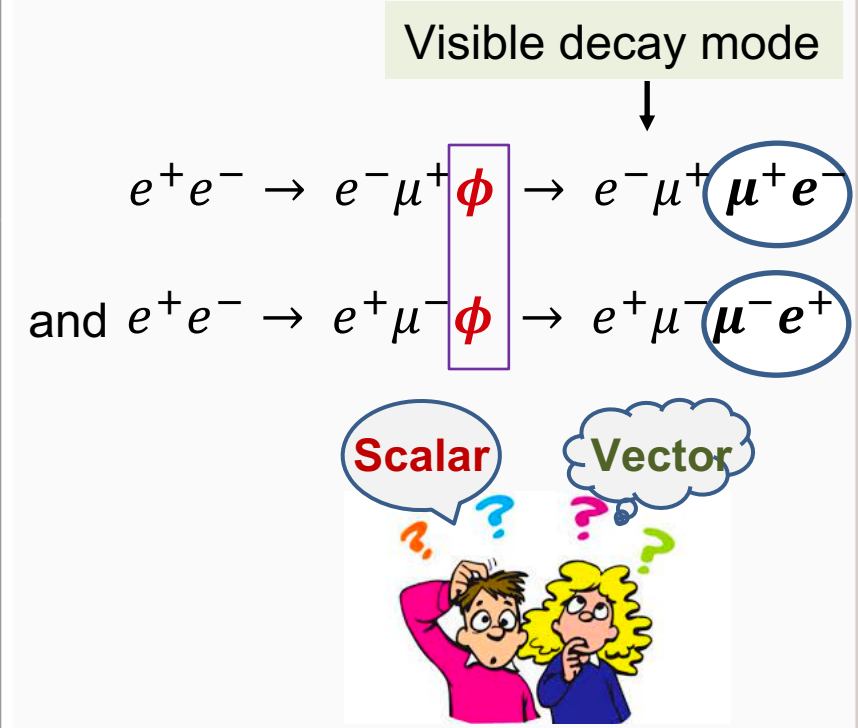
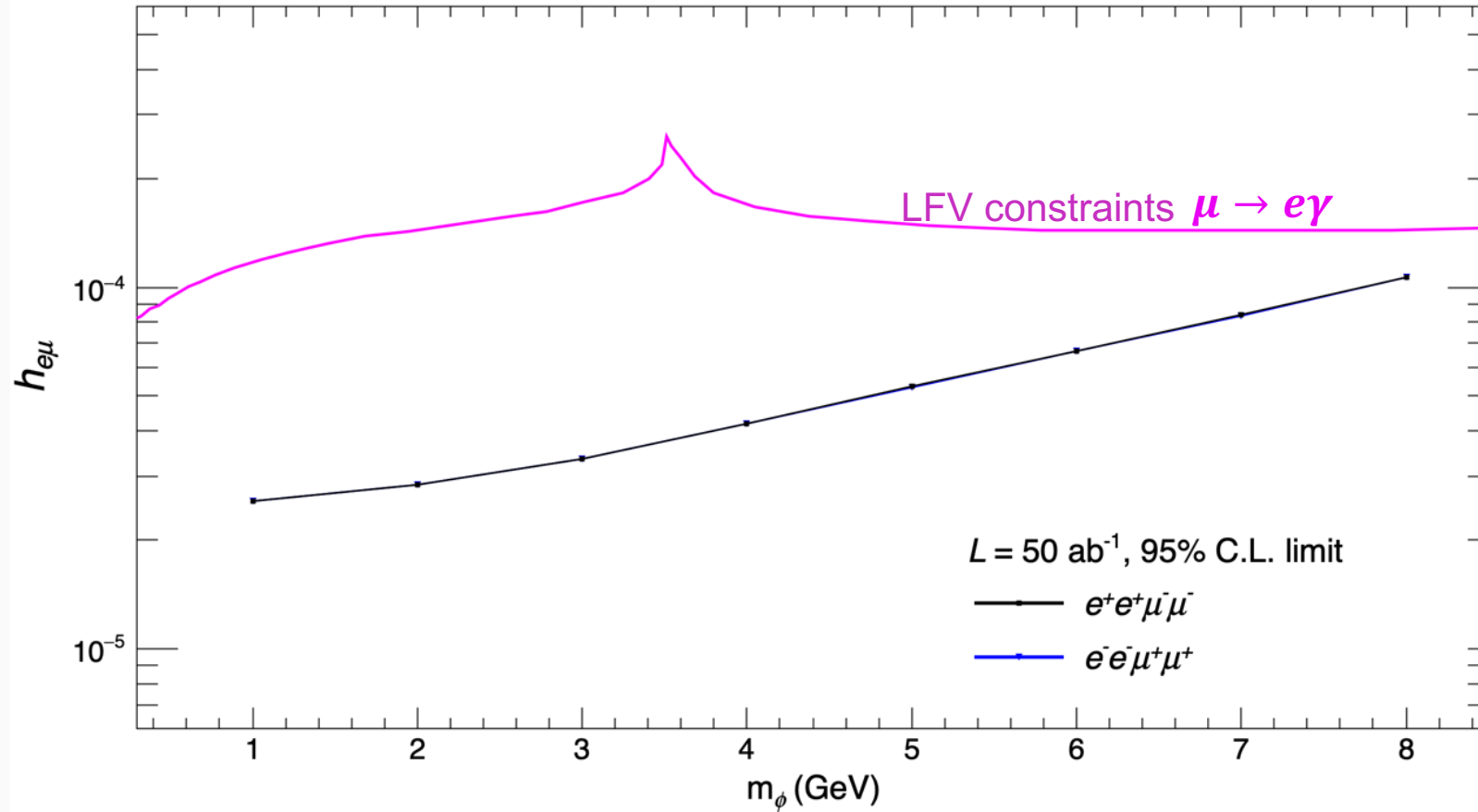


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Existing constraints to the **LFV vector search**  $\xrightarrow{\text{motivated}}$   **$Z - Z'$  mixing**

extra  $U(1)'$  gauge symmetry + adopting a model-independent approach

**Z** [7]

<b>Z DECAY MODES</b>		Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )	Scale factor/ Confidence level	$p$ (MeV/c)
$e^\pm \mu^\mp$	<i>LF</i>	$[j] < 7.5$	$\times 10^{-7}$ CL=95%	45594
$e^\pm \tau^\mp$	<i>LF</i>	$[j] < 5.0$	$\times 10^{-6}$ CL=95%	45576
$\mu^\pm \tau^\mp$	<i>LF</i>	$[j] < 6.5$	$\times 10^{-6}$ CL=95%	45576

**$\mu$**

<b><math>\mu^-</math> DECAY MODES</b>		Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )	Confidence level	$p$ (MeV/c)
$e^- \gamma$	<i>LF</i>	$< 4.2$	$\times 10^{-13}$ 90%	53
$e^- e^+ e^-$	<i>LF</i>	$< 1.0$	$\times 10^{-12}$ 90%	53
$e^- 2\gamma$	<i>LF</i>	$< 7.2$	$\times 10^{-11}$ 90%	53



### Existing constraints to the LFV vector search

- The mass Lagrangian for the interaction of massive neutral gauge bosons after EW symmetry breaking:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{Z}^\lambda \quad \hat{Z}'^\lambda) \begin{pmatrix} M_Z^2 & \Delta \\ \Delta & M_{Z'}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{Z}_\lambda \\ \hat{Z}'_\lambda \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

where  $M_{Z,Z'}$  denote masses of the gauge bosons and  $\Delta$  represents the mixing between them.

↓  
containing both kinetic- and mass-mixing contributions

- In the presence of kinetic mixing,  $M_{Z'}$  is not identical to the original mass of the  $U(1)'$  gauge boson.

The squared-mass matrix in  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}}$  can be diagonalized using

$$\begin{pmatrix} Z \\ Z' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\xi & \sin\xi \\ -\sin\xi & \cos\xi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{Z} \\ \hat{Z}' \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } \tan 2\xi = \frac{2\Delta}{M_Z^2 - M_{Z'}^2} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{with mass eigenvalues } m_{Z,Z'}^2 = \frac{1}{2} (M_Z^2 + M_{Z'}^2) \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(M_Z^2 - M_{Z'}^2)^2 + 4\Delta^2} \quad (7)$$



### Existing constraints to the LFV vector coupling

- The Lagrangian describes the interactions of  $\hat{Z}$  and  $\hat{Z}'$  with charged leptons,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -g_Z J_Z^\lambda \hat{Z}_\lambda - h_{Z'} J_{Z'}^\lambda \hat{Z}'_\lambda \quad (8)$$

and the currents  $g_Z J_Z^\lambda = \bar{\hat{\ell}} \gamma^\lambda (g_L P_L + g_R P_R) \hat{\ell}$ ,  $h_{Z'} J_{Z'}^\lambda = \bar{\hat{\ell}} \gamma^\lambda (h'_L P_L + h'_R P_R) \hat{\ell}$ ,

where  $\hat{\ell} = (\hat{e} \quad \hat{\mu} \quad \hat{\tau})^T$ ,  $P_{L,R} = \frac{1}{2}(1 \mp \gamma^5)$  and  $\hat{Z}$  coupling constants  $g_{L,R}$  are family universal.

whereas  $\hat{Z}'$  couplings are not assumed to be family universal according to

$$h'_L = \text{diag}(L'_e, L'_\mu, L'_\tau), \quad h'_R = \text{diag}(R'_e, R'_\mu, R'_\tau)$$

The interaction eigenstates in  $\hat{\ell}$  are related to the mass eigenstates in  $\ell$  by:  $\hat{\ell}_{L,R} = P_{L,R} \hat{\ell} = V_{L,R} \ell_{L,R}$  (9)

with  $V_{L,R}$  are unitary matrices which diagonalize the lepton mass matrix  $\hat{M}_\ell$  in the Yukawa Lagrangian

$$\text{diag}(m_e, m_\mu, m_\tau) = V_L^\dagger \hat{M}_\ell V_R$$



In terms of the mass eigenstates,  $Z$ ,  $Z'$  and  $\ell$ , we can then write

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\lambda \left( \beta_L^{\ell i \ell j} P_L + \beta_R^{\ell i \ell j} P_R \right) \ell_j Z_\lambda - \bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\lambda \left( b_L^{\ell i \ell j} P_L + b_R^{\ell i \ell j} P_R \right) \ell_j Z'_\lambda \quad (10)$$

with

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \beta_{L,R}^{\ell i \ell j} &= \left( \beta_{L,R}^{\ell j \ell i} \right)^* = \delta_{ij} \cos \xi g_{L,R} + \sin \xi (B_{L,R})_{ij} \\ b_{L,R}^{\ell i \ell j} &= \left( b_{L,R}^{\ell j \ell i} \right)^* = -\delta_{ij} \sin \xi g_{L,R} + \cos \xi (B_{L,R})_{ij} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \boxed{\beta_{L,R}^{\ell i \ell j} = \delta_{ij} \frac{g_{L,R}}{\cos \xi} + \tan \xi b_{L,R}^{\ell i \ell j}} \quad (11)$$

where  $\ell_{i(j)} = e, \mu, \tau$  and  $B_{L,R} = V_{L,R}^\dagger h'_{L,R} V_{L,R}$  are nondiagonal  $3 \times 3$  matrices.

Weak mixing angle  $\xi \longleftrightarrow$  Electroweak  $\rho_0$  parameter deduced from a global fit to  $Z$  physics data.

Since  $Z$ - $Z'$  mixing alters the  $Z$  mass,  $\rho_0 \equiv \frac{m_W^2}{c_W^2 m_Z^2} = \frac{m_W^2}{c_W^2 M_Z^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{(m_{Z'}^2 - M_Z^2) \tan^2 \xi}{M_Z^2} \right]^{-1}$  (12)

For  $\xi \ll 1$ ,  $\tan \xi \simeq \sin \xi \simeq \xi \Rightarrow \boxed{\rho_0 \simeq 1 + \frac{(m_{Z'}^2 - m_Z^2) \xi^2}{m_Z^2}}$  (13)

The numerical results with two-loop corrections to the  $\rho_0$  parameter [7]:  $\rho_0 = 1.0002 \pm 0.0009$

## Existing constraints to the LFV vector coupling

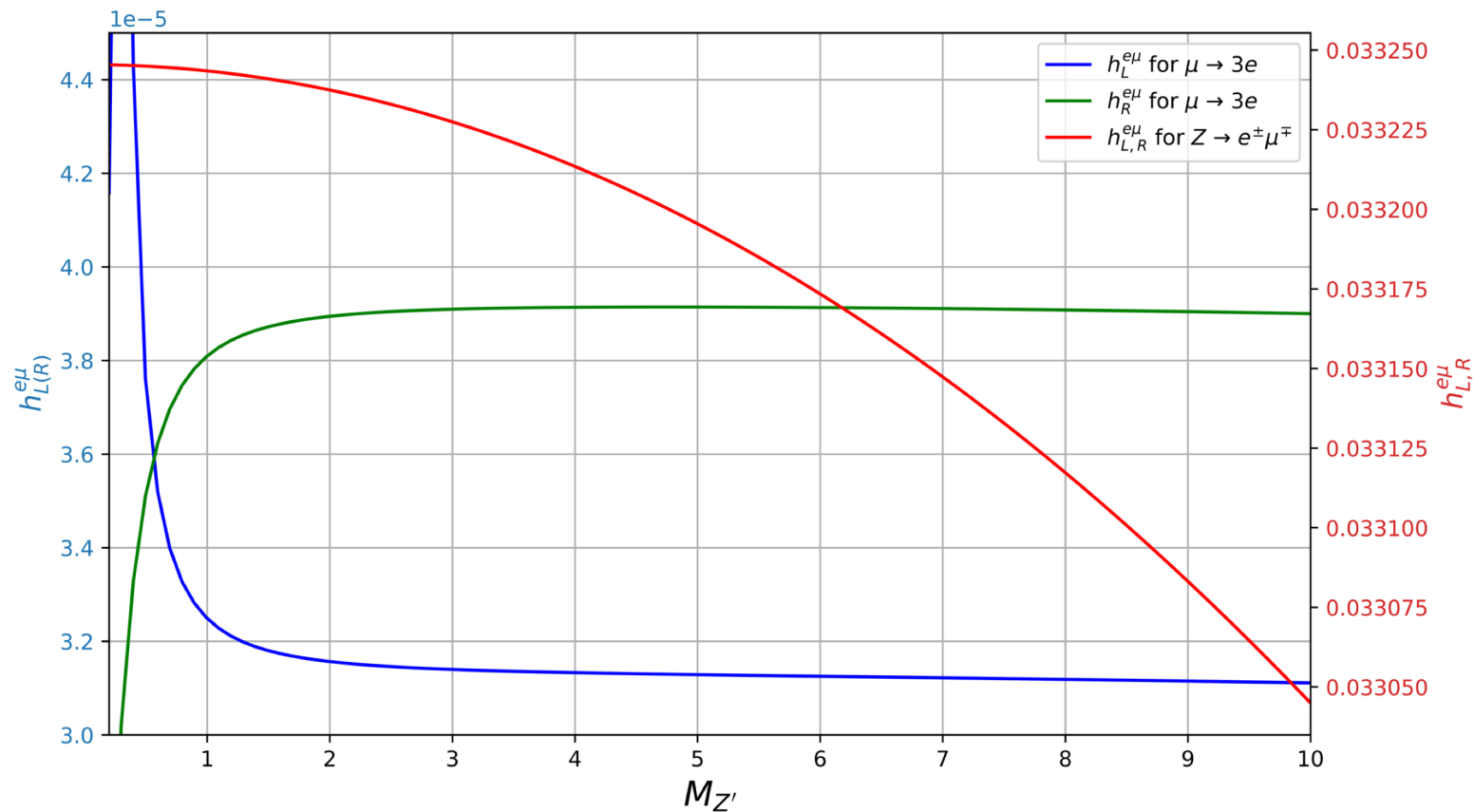


Fig. 6: Constraints on the coupling  $h_{L,R}^{e\mu}$  (in red, right axis) of process  $Z \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp$  and  $h_{L(R)}^{e\mu}$  of process  $\mu \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$  (with  $h_{L(R)}^{e\mu}/h_{L(R)}^{\ell\ell} = 10^3$ ) in LFV vector search [8].



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4. The discrimination of the scalar boson from the vector boson portal in LFV processes

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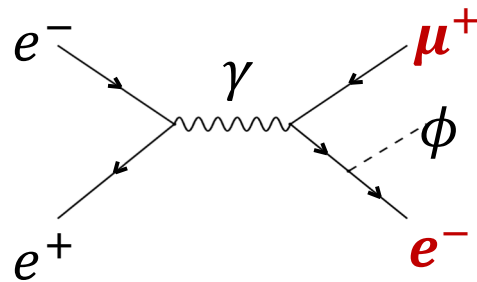
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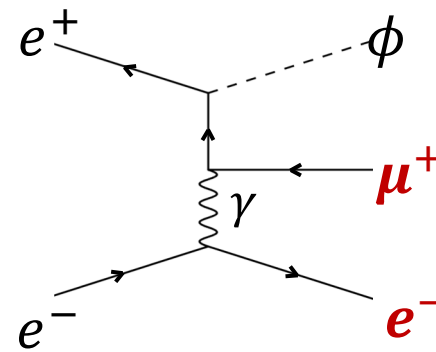
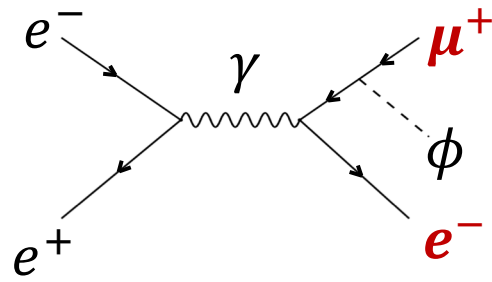
LFV processes:

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+\phi \rightarrow e^-\mu^+\mu^+e^-$$

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+\mu^-\phi \rightarrow e^+\mu^-\mu^-e^+$$



*s*-channel



*t*-channel

Fig. 3: Feynman diagrams for process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+\phi$

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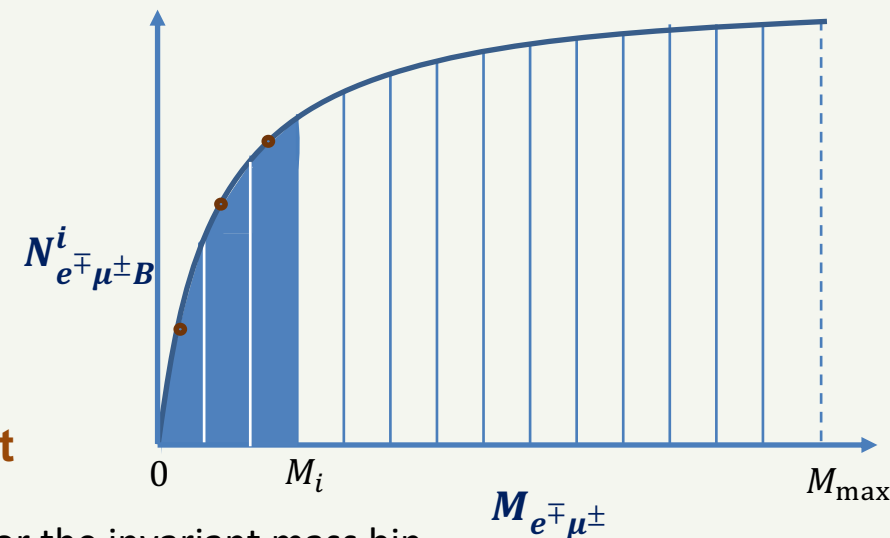
- Cumulative mass distribution** [8]: → calculating the area under each of the cumulative mass distributions.

$$K^i(M_{e^\mp\mu^\pm}) = \frac{\sum N_{e^\mp\mu^\pm B}^i}{N_{e^\mp\mu^\pm B}^{\text{total}}}$$

$\rightarrow$  Event number within  $0 \leq M_{e^\mp\mu^\pm} \leq M_i$   
 $\rightarrow$  Total event number within  $0 \leq M_{e^\mp\mu^\pm} \leq M_{\text{max}}$

$0 \leq K^i(M_{e^\mp\mu^\pm}) \leq 1$

LFV boson  $B$  → scalar  $\phi$   
 → vector  $V$



$i$ : index for the invariant mass bin

➤  $K^i(M_{e^\mp\mu^\pm})$  is useful due to the **significant** differences between **peak event rates** in different scenarios.

- The **statistical uncertainty** of the measurement follows Poisson distribution [9]:

Cumulative mass distribution

$$\sigma_{K(M_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}})} = K^i(M_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}}) \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}B}^i} - \frac{1}{N_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}B}^{\text{total}}}} \quad (14)$$

Events number in a certain mass interval
Total event number

⇒ LFV scalar and vector boson scenarios can be distinguished with statistical uncertainties taken into account.



Considering the case of  $M_B = 1$  GeV

[9] Kwang-Chang Lai, C. S. Jason Leung, and Guey-Lin Lin, Phys. Rev. D 107, 043017 (2023).

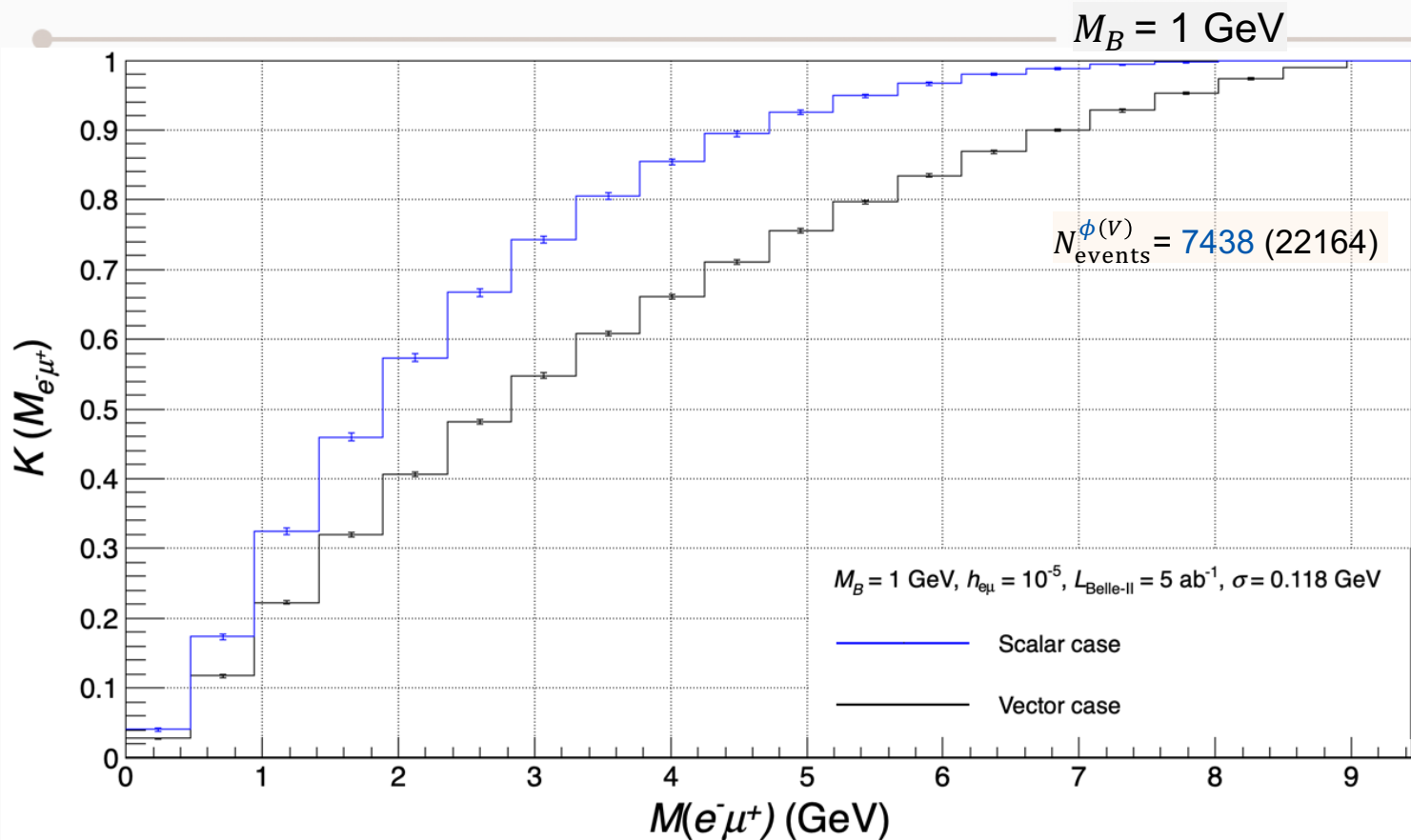


Fig. 7. Cumulative mass distribution  $K^i(M_{e^\mp\mu^\pm})$  of LFV search  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+B$  ( $B = \phi, V$ ).

- At  $\mathcal{L} = 5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ , taking  $h_{e\mu} = 10^{-5}$



satisfying current  
experimental **constraints**

- Statistical errors in binned histograms, each with a **bin width of  $\pm 2\sigma$** , where  $\sigma = 0.118 \text{ GeV}$  is the *recoil mass resolution* at  $M_B = 1 \text{ GeV}$ .

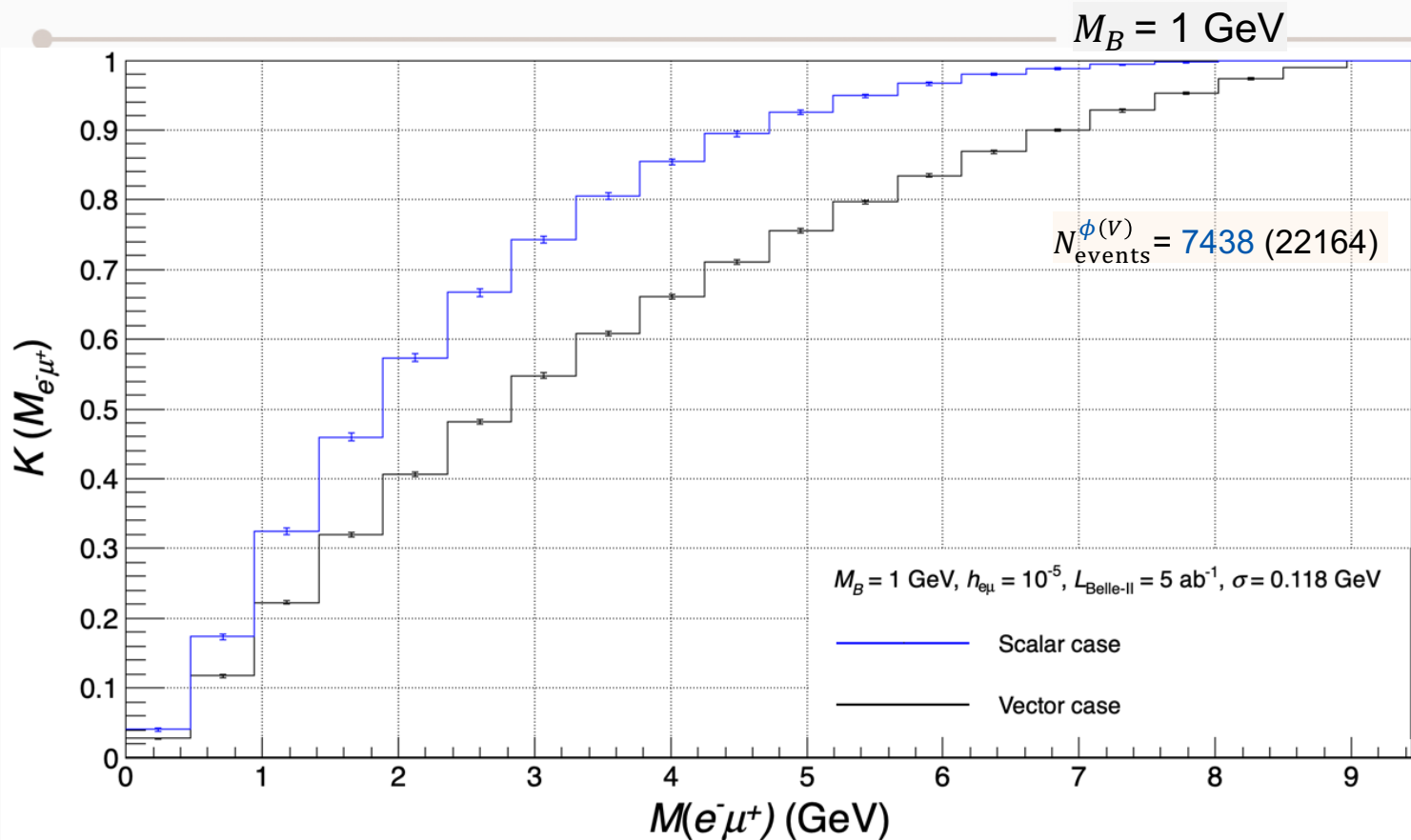


Fig. 8. Cumulative mass distribution  $K^i(M_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}})$  of LFV search  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^-\mu^+B$  ( $B = \phi, V$ ).

✓  $K^\phi(M_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}})$  increase faster in the range of  $1 \leq M_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}} \leq 5$  GeV since LFV event rate of scalar boson case increases the fastest in this mass range.

⇒ LFV scalar boson scenario is found to be distinguishable from that of vector boson case in Belle II detector provided only statistical uncertainties are considered in simulations.

- At  $\mathcal{L} = 5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ , taking  $h_{e\mu} = 10^{-5}$

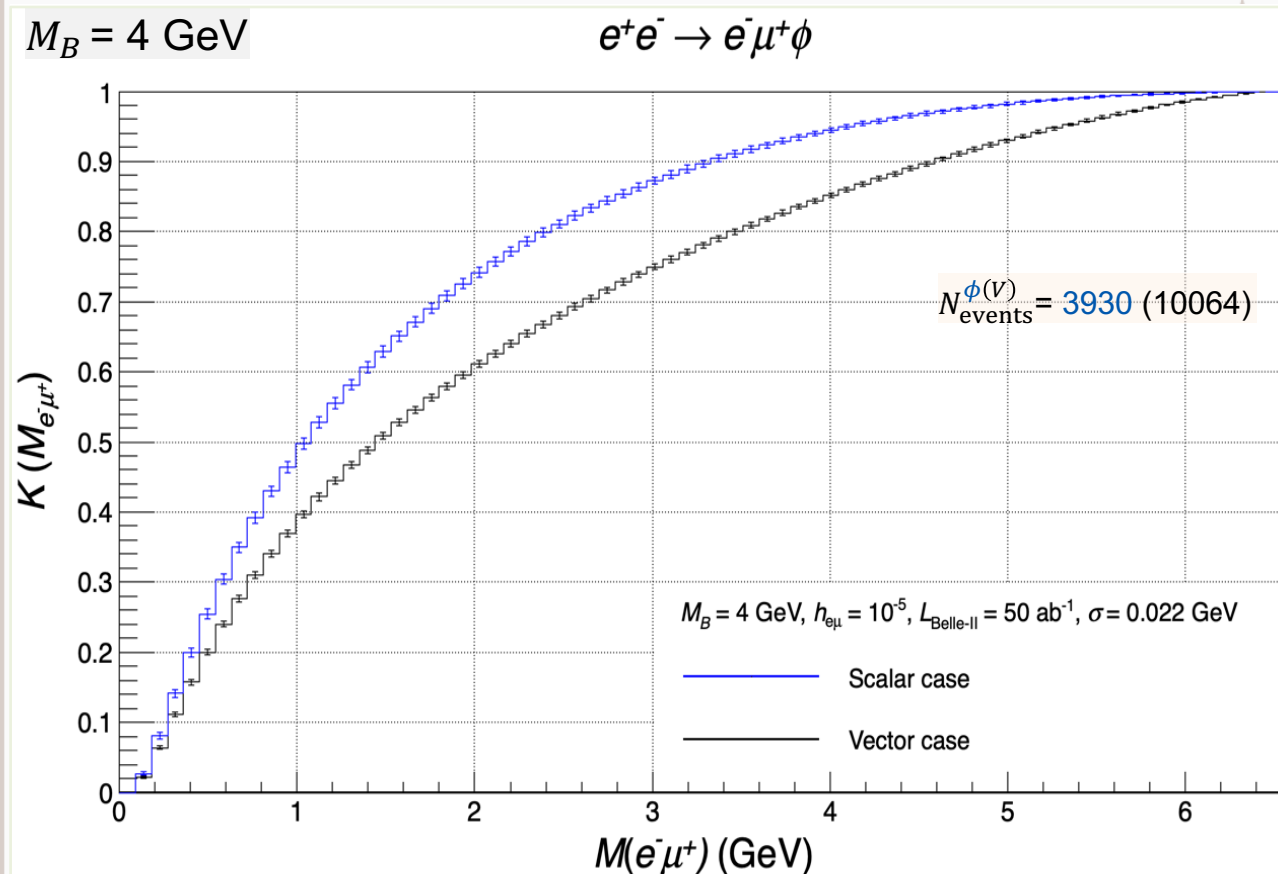


satisfying current experimental **constraints**

- Statistical errors in binned histograms, each with a **bin width of  $\pm 2\sigma$** , where  $\sigma = 0.118$  GeV is the *recoil mass resolution* at  $M_B = 1$  GeV.



- ✓ Quantitatively, the ordering  $K^\phi(M_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}}) > K^V(M_{e^{\mp}\mu^{\pm}})$  holds in the considered simulation.



- At  $\mathcal{L} = 50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ , taking  $h_{e\mu} = 10^{-5}$

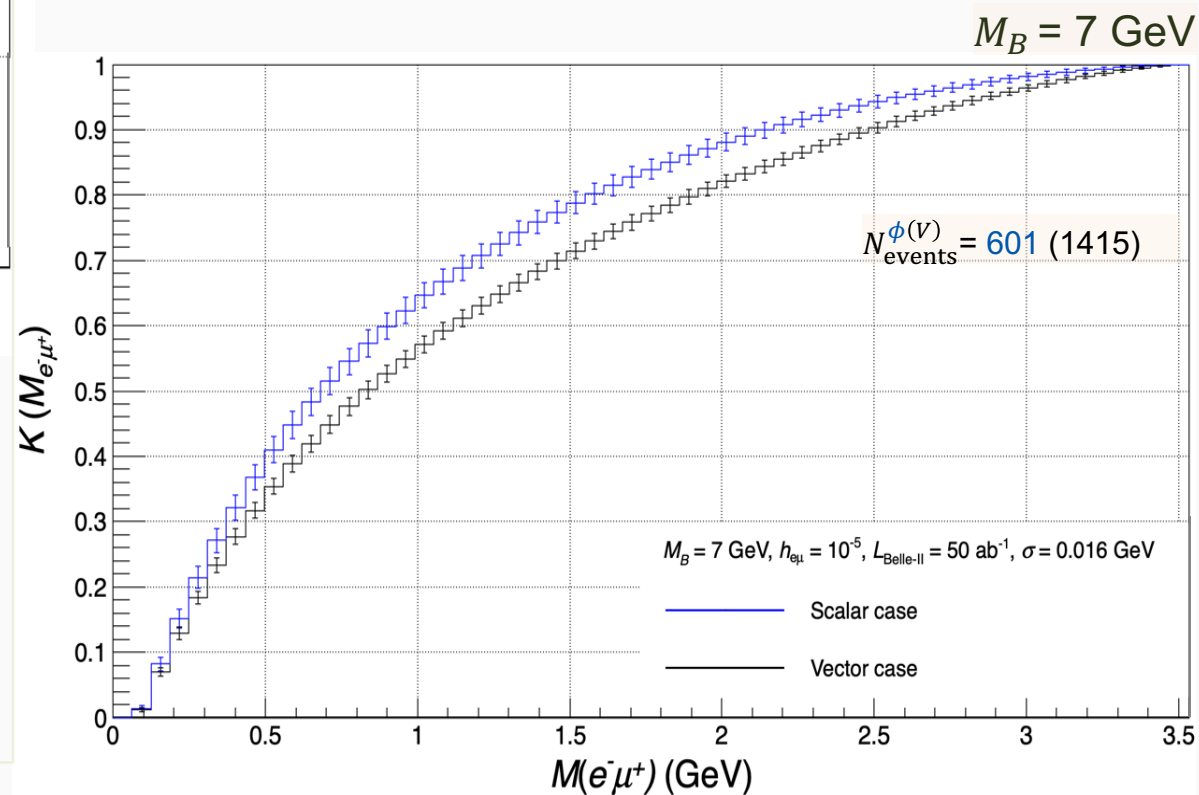
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- Statistical errors in binned histograms, each with a **bin width of  $\pm 2\sigma$** , where  $\sigma = 0.022 \text{ GeV}$ .

- At  $\mathcal{L} = 50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ , taking  $h_{e\mu} = 10^{-5}$

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- Statistical errors in binned histograms, each with a **bin width of  $\pm 2\sigma$** , where  $\sigma = 0.016 \text{ GeV}$ .







# 5. Conclusions





- We have studied Belle II sensitivity to probe  $e\mu$  flavor-violating scalar model.
  - ✓ Sensitivities to LFV Yukawa coupling  $h_{e\mu}$  of processes  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp\phi \rightarrow e^\pm e^\pm\mu^\mp\mu^\mp$  for  $\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at Belle II experiment can **already touch** the favorable parameter range accounting for the measured  $g_\mu - 2$  in the range  $1 \leq m_\phi/\text{GeV} \leq 8$ .
  - ✓ At high luminosity, we could potentially search for new physics. Particularly, the sensitivity for Belle II **full luminosity** to  $h_{e\mu}$  is still quite below the LFV current constrain for  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ .
- We also propose a method to discriminate the scalar scenario from LFV interaction with a vector boson exchange.
  - ✓ By carefully analyzing the **cumulative mass distribution**  $K^i(M_{e^\mp\mu^\pm})$  for both the LFV scalar and vector bosons with statistical uncertainties taken into account.
    - ↳ LFV scalar and vector boson scenarios are distinguished.

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