

# Dark sectors and enhanced $h \rightarrow \tau\mu$ transitions

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# Motivation - Flavor in the Leptonic Sector

In the SM:

$$y_{ij}^{\ell} \bar{L}_i \tilde{H} E_j + \frac{c_{ij}^{\nu}}{\Lambda^2} L_i H L_j H \xrightarrow{EWSB} m_i^{\ell} \delta_{ij} \left(1 + \frac{h}{v}\right) \bar{\ell}_i \ell_j + m_{ij}^{\nu} \nu_i \nu_j$$

Higgs Physics drives flavor structure

- Flavor puzzle:

$$(y_e, y_{\mu}, y_{\tau}) \approx 10^{(-6, -4, -2)}, \quad m_{\nu} - \text{tiny}, \quad U_{PMNS} - \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ mix}$$

- LHC - sensitive to underlying flavor theory  $\implies$

New Physics

# Leptonic Flavor Anomalies

## Several Hints of (Flavor) New Physics:

- Higgs LFV decays:  $h \rightarrow \tau \mu$
- $(g - 2)_\mu \implies$
- Proton radius
- $B$  leptonic decay ratios

$BR(h \rightarrow \tau^\pm \mu^\mp) \Big _{\sqrt{s}=8 \text{ TeV}}$ in %	
CMS	$0.89 \pm 0.39$
ATLAS	$\begin{cases} \tau_h & 0.53 \pm 0.51 \\ \tau_e & 0.77 \pm 0.62 \end{cases}$

CMS result  $\sim 2.4\sigma$

# LFV Higgs Couplings

Simplest SM-extensions will give rise to

$$\mathcal{L} \supset Y_{ij}^{\ell} \bar{L}_i H E_j + \frac{\lambda_{ij}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{L}_i H E_j (H^{\dagger} H)$$

Kopp, Harnik & Zupan

implies

$$m = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} V_L \left( Y + \frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} \lambda \right) V_R^{\dagger}, \quad y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} V_L \left( Y + 3 \frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} \lambda \right) V_R^{\dagger}$$

Then in the mass basis

$$y_{ij} = \frac{m_i}{v} \delta_{ij} + \frac{v^2}{\sqrt{2}\Lambda^2} V_L \lambda V_R^{\dagger}$$

The dominant  $\tau$  decay modes

Leptonic:

$$\tau \rightarrow \ell \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\ell \quad \sim 35\%$$

Hadronic:

$$\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau \pi$$

$$\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau \pi \pi \quad \sim 65\%$$

$$\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau \pi \pi \pi$$

inherent Missing-Energy signature

# $\tau$ 's @ The LHC

## Trigger:

- leptonic,  $\tau_e \implies$  lepton triggers:  $\sim p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- hadronic,  $\tau_h \implies$  1-prong, 3-prong: “hadron + strips”

fully reconstructs  $\tau_{vis}$

but

partially reconstructs  $\tau_{inv}$  ( $1\nu$ , or  $2\nu$ )

$\tau$ -LHC searches are  ~~$E_T$~~ -inclusive

# $\tau$ 's @ The LHC

## $\tau$ Reconstruction:

- **The collinear approximation**

Ellis, Hinchliffe, Soldate, & van der Bij (1988)

$$\text{boosted } \tau : \quad \tau_{\text{vis}} \parallel \tau_{\text{inv}} \implies \begin{cases} p_{\tau_{\text{inv}}}^2 = 0 \\ \vec{p}_{\tau_{\text{inv}}} = \hat{p}_{\tau_{\text{vis}}} \left( \vec{p}_{\tau_{\text{vis}}} \cdot \cancel{\vec{E}_T} \right) \end{cases}$$

- **The Missing Mass Calculator (MMC) / SVFIT**

Elagin, Murat, Pranko, & Safonov

Bianchini, Conway, Friis, & Veelken

# CMS $h \rightarrow \tau\mu$

In  $h \rightarrow \tau\mu$  CMS uses

$$m^{\text{Coll}} = \sqrt{(p_\mu + p_{\tau_{\text{vis}}} + p_{\nu'_s})^2}$$

SR:  $100 \text{ GeV} < m^{\text{Coll}} < 150 \text{ GeV}$ , with cuts

Variable [GeV]	$H \rightarrow \mu\tau_e$			$H \rightarrow \mu\tau_h$		
	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet
$p_T^\mu >$	50	45	25	45	35	30
$p_T^e >$	10	10	10	—	—	—
$p_T^{\tau_h} >$	—	—	—	35	40	40
$M_T^e <$	65	65	25	—	—	—
$M_T^\mu >$	50	40	15	—	—	—
$M_T^{\tau_h} <$	—	—	—	50	35	35
[radians]						
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_T^\mu - \vec{p}_T^{\tau_h}} >$	—	—	—	2.7	—	—
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_T^e - \vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}}} <$	0.5	0.5	0.3	—	—	—
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_T^e - \vec{p}_T^\mu} >$	2.7	1.0	—	—	—	—

from CMS-HIG-14-005



# CMS $h \rightarrow \tau\mu$

event yields (minor differences between CDS and arXiv versions)

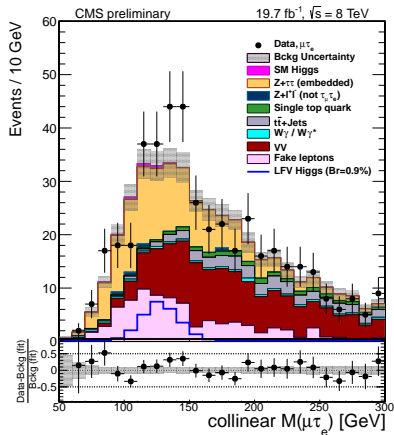
Sample	$H \rightarrow \mu\tau_{had}$			$H \rightarrow \mu\tau_e$		
	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet
Fakes	$1858.1 \pm 558.8$	$362.9 \pm 110.0$	$0.5 \pm 0.5$	$41.5 \pm 17.3$	$16.1 \pm 6.8$	$1.1 \pm 0.7$
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	$198.8 \pm 11.0$	$50.5 \pm 3.5$	$0.4 \pm 0.2$	$65.0 \pm 3.0$	$38.6 \pm 2.0$	$1.3 \pm 0.2$
$ZZ, WW$	$47.0 \pm 8.0$	$14.6 \pm 2.6$	$0.3 \pm 0.2$	$40.8 \pm 6.6$	$21.2 \pm 3.5$	$0.7 \pm 0.2$
$W\gamma$	—	—	—	$2.0 \pm 2.1$	$1.9 \pm 1.9$	—
$Z \rightarrow ee$ or $\mu\mu$	$94.5 \pm 25.2$	$17.6 \pm 6.7$	$0.1 \pm 0.1$	$1.6 \pm 0.8$	$1.8 \pm 0.8$	—
$t\bar{t}$	$2.5 \pm 0.6$	$24.3 \pm 3.2$	$0.7 \pm 0.3$	$4.8 \pm 0.7$	$30.0 \pm 3.4$	$1.8 \pm 0.3$
$t, \bar{t}$	$2.7 \pm 1.2$	$19.9 \pm 3.9$	$0.4 \pm 0.5$	$1.9 \pm 0.2$	$6.8 \pm 0.8$	$0.2 \pm 0.1$
SM Higgs background	$7.0 \pm 1.3$	$4.9 \pm 0.7$	$1.9 \pm 0.7$	$1.9 \pm 0.3$	$1.6 \pm 0.2$	$0.6 \pm 0.1$
Sum of backgrounds	$2210.4 \pm 559.6$	$494.7 \pm 110.4$	$4.3 \pm 1.1$	$159.4 \pm 18.9$	$118.1 \pm 8.9$	$5.6 \pm 0.9$
LFV Higgs signal	$69.7 \pm 17.0$	$29.7 \pm 6.7$	$3.0 \pm 1.0$	$24.2 \pm 5.7$	$13.6 \pm 3.1$	$1.2 \pm 0.4$
data	$2255.0 \pm 47.5$	$506.0 \pm 22.5$	$8.0 \pm 2.8$	$180.0 \pm 13.4$	$128.0 \pm 11.3$	$6.0 \pm 2.4$

from CMS-HIG-14-005

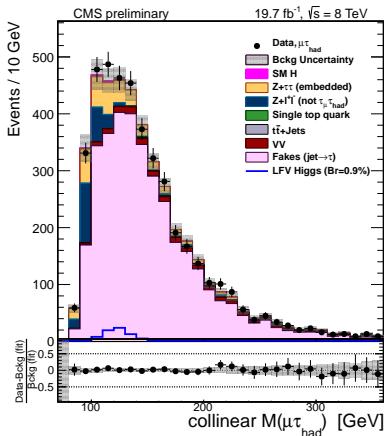
where  $BR(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) = 0.89\%$

# CMS $h \rightarrow \tau\mu$

$\tau_e + 0j$



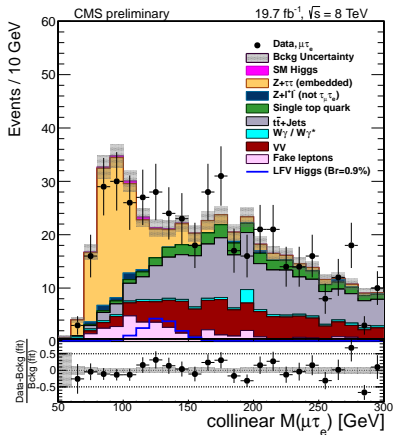
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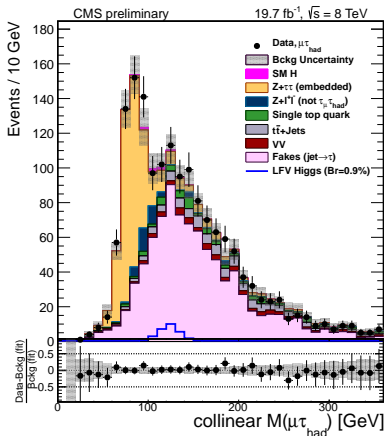
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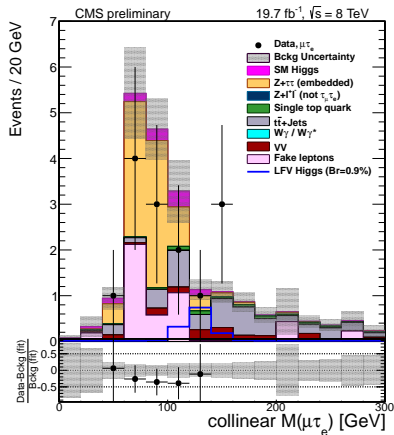
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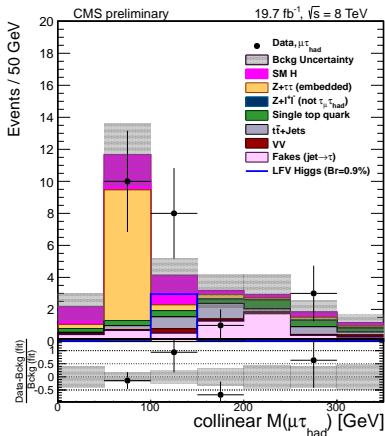
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$\tau_e + 2j$



$\tau_h + 2j$

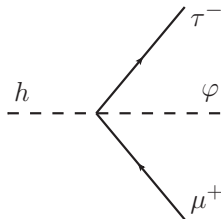


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# Conspiracy and Dark Matter

Additional  $\cancel{E}_T$  source:      new light complex scalar  $\varphi$

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda} \frac{h}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\tau}_L \mu_R \varphi, \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{\Lambda} \frac{h}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\mu}_L \tau_R \varphi^*$$



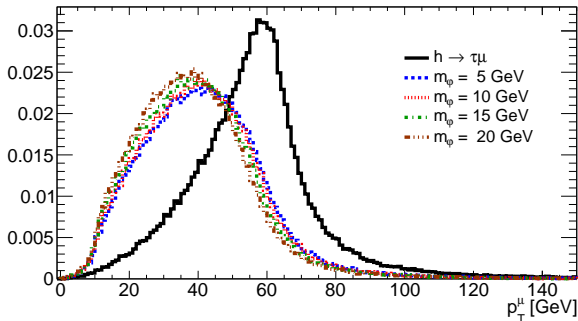
BR's of 2-body and to 3-body are comparable

$$\frac{Br(h \rightarrow \tau^\pm \mu^\mp \varphi / \varphi^*)}{Br(h \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-)} \simeq \frac{1}{6} \left( \frac{m_h}{4\pi\Lambda y_\tau} \right)^2 = 0.66 \times \left( \frac{500\text{GeV}}{\Lambda} \right)^2 \left( \frac{0.01}{y_\tau} \right)^2,$$

# Conspiracy and Dark Matter

Can  $h \rightarrow \mu\tau\phi$  mimic  $h \rightarrow \mu\tau$ :

- softer decay products



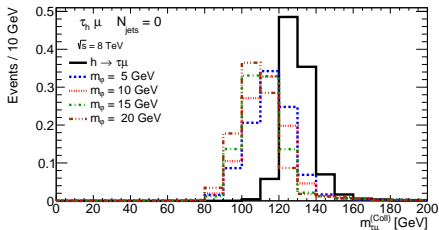
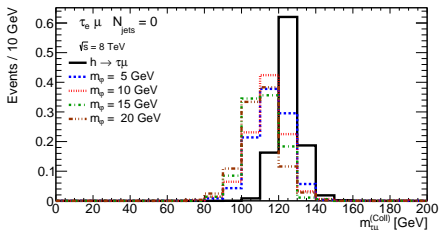
- angularly denser

search acceptance reduced

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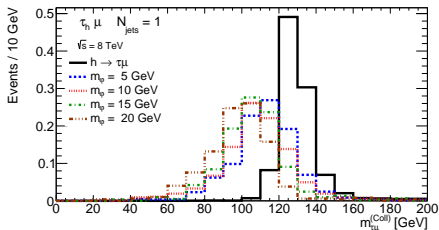
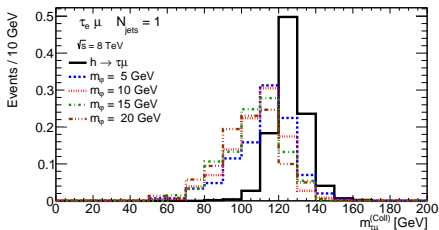
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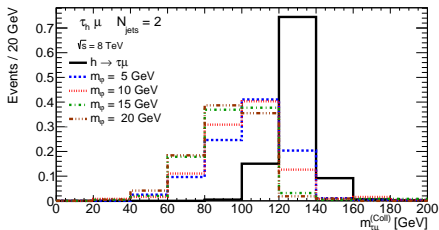
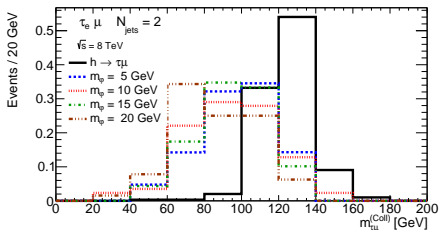




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# Recast Results

For  $\Lambda = 1$  TeV:

Decay	$m_\varphi$ [GeV]	Br	Coupling
$h \rightarrow \tau\mu$	—	$3.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$Y_{23} = 2.4 \times 10^{-3}$
$h \rightarrow \tau\mu\varphi$	5	$1.9 \times 10^{-2}$	$c_{23} = 1.4$
$h \rightarrow \tau\mu\varphi$	10	$2.6 \times 10^{-2}$	$c_{23} = 1.7$
$h \rightarrow \tau\mu\varphi$	15	$3.4 \times 10^{-2}$	$c_{23} = 2.1$
$h \rightarrow \tau\mu\varphi$	20	$4.8 \times 10^{-2}$	$c_{23} = 2.7$

Reasonable agreement with CMS:  $Y_{\tau\mu} = (3.7 \pm 0.8) \cdot 10^{-3}$

# Model Building

The model:  $\varphi$  = mediator to flavorful Dark-Sector

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vis.}} \supset -y_{ij}^{\ell} \bar{L}_i H E_j + \text{h.c.},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vis-med.}} \supset \frac{c_{ij}}{\Lambda} \bar{L}_i H E_j \varphi + \frac{c'_{ij}}{\Lambda} \bar{L}_i H E_j \varphi^* + \text{h.c.}.$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{dark}} \supset g_{ab}^L \varphi \bar{\chi}_a P_L \chi_b + g_{ab}^R \varphi \bar{\chi}_a P_R \chi_b + \text{h.c.}, \quad a, b = 1, 2.$$

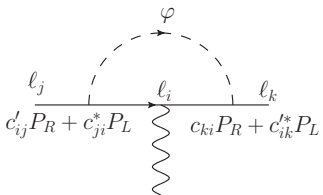
A flavor theory at  $\Lambda = 1$  TeV determines all couplings

# Model Building - Feasibility

Account for both  $Y$ ,  $c$ ,  $c'$ , and  $g^L$ ,  $g^R$  ?

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vis-med.}}^{EWSB} \supset \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}\Lambda} \left[ \bar{\ell}_i (c_{ij} P_R + c'_{ji}{}^* P_L) \ell_j \varphi + \bar{\ell}_i (c'_{ij} P_R + c_{ji}^* P_L) \ell_j \varphi^* \right].$$

induces dipoles



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{dipole}} \supset \frac{e}{8\pi^2} m_j \bar{\ell}_k \sigma^{\mu\nu} (c_{kj}^L P_L + c_{kj}^R P_R) \ell_j F_{\mu\nu}$$

# Constraints

## Flavor Violating constraints:

- $\ell_j \rightarrow \ell_k \gamma$
- $\ell_j \text{ Nuc} \rightarrow \ell_k \text{ Nuc}$
- $\ell_j \rightarrow \ell_i \ell_m \bar{\ell}_k$
- $\ell_j \rightarrow \ell_i \ell_m \bar{\ell}_k \nu \bar{\nu}$

## Flavor Conserving constraints:

- $\Delta a_{\ell_j}$
- $Z \rightarrow \ell_i \bar{\ell}_i$  Universality
- FB-asymmetry

## Other constraints:

- $Z \rightarrow \ell_j \bar{\ell}_m \varphi$
- $Z \rightarrow \text{inv}$
- $\ell_j \rightarrow \ell_i \chi \bar{\chi}$
- $\ell \rightarrow 3 \ell \varphi / \varphi^*$

# Symmetry Arguments

SM lepton flavor symmetry

$$U(1)_e \otimes U(1)_\mu \otimes U(1)_\tau$$

Naively broken by  $c, c'$  couplings

Unless,

Turn on a single Off-Diagonal coupling,  $c_{\mu\tau}$

Then break to residual subgroup

$$U(1)_e \otimes U(1)_{\mu-\tau}$$

# Symmetry Arguments

Now  $\varphi$  has charge 2:

- Suppressed CLFV transitions
- Still contribute to flavor diagonal observables.

Can we build a Froggatt-Nielsen realization ?

Non-trivial, need  $y$ ,  $c_{\mu\tau}$  + Symmetry Structure

# Froggatt-Nielsen 101

$U(1)$  flavor symmetry  $\implies$  higher-dim op's  $\implies$  Flavorful couplings

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vis.}} \supset -\alpha_{ij} \bar{L}_i H E_j \left( \frac{S \text{ or } S^*}{M} \right)^{|n_{ij}^Y|}.$$

- $\alpha_{ij} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$
- $S$  - complex is a scalar SM-signlet,  $[S]_Q = -1$
- $n_{ij}^Y = [\bar{L}_i]_Q + [E_j]_Q + [H]_Q, \quad \begin{cases} n_{ij}^Y > 0 \Rightarrow S \\ n_{ij}^Y < 0 \Rightarrow S^* \end{cases}$
- $\lambda = \frac{\langle S \rangle}{M} \simeq 0.2$  (Cabibo angle)

Then

$$Y_{ij}^\ell = \alpha_{ij} \lambda^{|n_{ij}^Y|}$$



# Froggatt-Nielsen 101 + New Scalar

If  $\varphi$  is light we can also expect

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{med.}} \supset \beta_{ij} \bar{L}_i H E_j \left( \frac{S \text{ or } S^*}{M} \right)^{|n_{ij}^c|} \frac{\varphi}{\Lambda} + \beta'_{ij} \bar{L}_i H E_j \left( \frac{S \text{ or } S^*}{M} \right)^{|n_{ij}^{c'}|} \frac{\varphi^*}{\Lambda}$$

leading to

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vis-med.}} \supset \frac{c_{ij}}{\Lambda} \bar{L}_i H E_j \varphi + \frac{c'_{ij}}{\Lambda} \bar{L}_i H E_j \varphi^*$$

with

$$c_{ij} \sim \lambda^{|n_{ij}^c|}, \quad c'_{ij} \sim \lambda^{|n_{ij}^{c'}|}.$$

Similarly,  $\chi - \varphi$  interactions can be generated and chosen to be dominant.

# The Model

$$\begin{aligned} [\bar{L}_1]_Q &= (7, 1), & [E_1]_Q &= (-7, 7), \\ [\bar{L}_2]_Q &= (-6, -2), & [E_2]_Q &= (6, -3), \\ [\bar{L}_3]_Q &= (-2, -4), & [E_3]_Q &= (1, 6), \\ [H]_Q &= (0, 0), & [\varphi]_Q &= (5, -4). \end{aligned}$$

These are consistent with the lepton mass eigenvalues

$$\{m_e, m_\mu, m_\tau\} \sim \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \{\lambda^8, \lambda^5, \lambda^3\},$$

$$c \sim \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^9 & \lambda^{18} & \lambda^{10} \\ \lambda^9 & \lambda^8 & 1 \\ \lambda^5 & \lambda^{14} & \lambda^6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad c' \sim \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^{17} & \lambda^{10} & \lambda^{14} \\ \lambda^{19} & \lambda^6 & \lambda^{14} \\ \lambda^{17} & \lambda^4 & \lambda^{12} \end{pmatrix}.$$

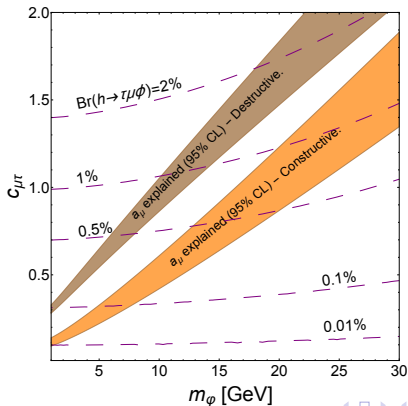
# Flavor Checklist

LFV Process	Present Bound	Our Model
<b>Radiative Decays</b>		
$\text{Br}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma)$	$5.7 \times 10^{-13}$ [?]	$3.1 \times 10^{-17}$
$\text{Br}(\tau^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \gamma)$	$3.3 \times 10^{-8}$ [?]	$1.1 \times 10^{-16}$
$\text{Br}(\tau^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \gamma)$	$4.4 \times 10^{-8}$ [?]	$1.8 \times 10^{-11}$
<b><math>\mu \rightarrow e</math> Conversion in Nuclei</b>		
$\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e)_{\text{Au}} / \Gamma_{\text{capture Au}}$	$7 \times 10^{-13}$ at 90% CL [?]	$1.2 \times 10^{-19}$
<b>3-Body Decays</b>		
$\text{Br}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-)$	$1.0 \times 10^{-12}$ [?]	$D$ $1.9 \times 10^{-19}$
$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-)$	$2.1 \times 10^{-8}$ [?]	$T$ $1.4 \times 10^{-9}$
$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-)$	$2.7 \times 10^{-8}$ [?]	$D$ $1.1 \times 10^{-18}$
$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ \mu^-)$	$2.7 \times 10^{-8}$ [?]	$T$ $1.9 \times 10^{-13}$
$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+ e^-)$	$1.8 \times 10^{-8}$ [?]	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D \ 1.8 \times 10^{-13} \\ T \ 1.9 \times 10^{-13} \end{array} \right.$
$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow e^+ \mu^- \mu^-)$	$1.7 \times 10^{-8}$ [?]	$T$ $4.9 \times 10^{-26}$
$\text{Br}(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^+ e^- e^-)$	$1.5 \times 10^{-8}$ [?]	$T$ $2.1 \times 10^{-27}$
<b>Muon <math>g - 2</math></b>		
$\Delta a_\mu$	$288(80) \times 10^{-11}$ [?]	$4.3 \times 10^{-9}$

$$(g - 2)_\mu$$

The anomalous magnetic moment we express as

$$a_\mu = \frac{m_j}{16\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx (1-x)^2 \frac{x m_\mu |c_{23}|^2 + m_\tau 2 \text{Re}\{c_{23} c_{32}^*\}}{x m_\varphi^2 + (1-x) m_i^2 - x(1-x) m_j^2},$$



# Conclusions

- If indeed NP accounts for the excess in  $h \rightarrow \tau\mu$  it may teach us about the origins of the SM flavor structure.
- Alternatively, the excess could be explained by systematics associated with missing-energy (or statistical as the 13 TeV may show)
- Interestingly, an  $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ GeV})$  scalar with  $\tau\mu$  couplings can account for the  $(g - 2)_\mu$  anomaly.
- Future Directions:  $\tau$  and searches for missing energy

# Backup Slides

$$(g - 2)_\mu$$

The anomalous magnetic moment we express as

$$a_{\ell_j} = \frac{m_j}{16\pi^2} \sum_i \int_0^1 dx (1-x)^2 \frac{x m_j S_i^{(j)} + m_i P_i^{(j)}}{x m_\varphi^2 + (1-x) m_i^2 - x(1-x) m_j^2},$$

where

$$S_i^{(j)} = \frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} (c_{ij}^* c_{ij} + c_{ij}'^* c_{ij}' + c_{ji}^* c_{ji} + c_{ji}'^* c_{ji}'),$$

$$P_i^{(j)} = \frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} (c_{ji}'^* c_{ij} + c_{ij}^* c_{ji}' + c_{ij}'^* c_{ji} + c_{ji}^* c_{ij}').$$

# The Model - Flavor Basis

The flavor dependent couplings in the flavor-basis are

$$Y^\ell \sim \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^8 & \lambda^{15} & \lambda^{15} \\ \lambda^{18} & \lambda^5 & \lambda^9 \\ \lambda^{12} & \lambda^{11} & \lambda^3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$c \sim \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^9 & \lambda^{24} & \lambda^{16} \\ \lambda^9 & \lambda^{14} & 1 \\ \lambda^5 & \lambda^{20} & \lambda^6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad c' \sim \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^{17} & \lambda^{10} & \lambda^{14} \\ \lambda^{27} & \lambda^6 & \lambda^{18} \\ \lambda^{21} & \lambda^4 & \lambda^{12} \end{pmatrix}.$$

generate the rotation matrices

$$V_{L_L} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda^{10} & \lambda^{12} \\ \lambda^{10} & 1 & \lambda^6 \\ \lambda^{12} & \lambda^6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad V_{E_R} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda^{13} & \lambda^9 \\ \lambda^{13} & 1 & \lambda^8 \\ \lambda^9 & \lambda^8 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$