

# NLO prediction for $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\nu\bar{\nu}$ and $\mu \rightarrow e(e^+e^-)\nu\bar{\nu}$ decays in the SM

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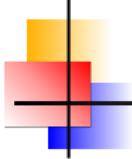
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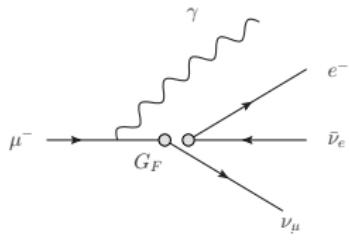
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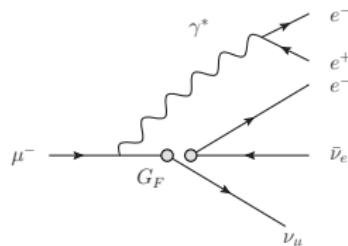
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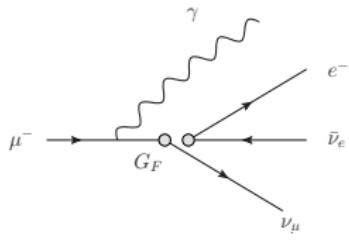
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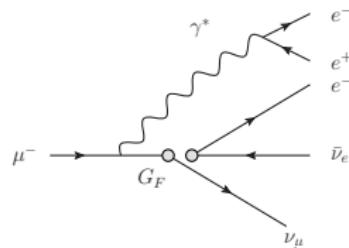
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[Eidelman, Epifanov, MF, Mercolli, Passera, JHEP 1603 \(2016\) 140](#)
- ▶ SM background for  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  flavour violating decays:  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ ,  $\mu \rightarrow eee$ .



## Time-correlated background: MEG

see talks by A. Papa

- ▶  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$  background:

- ▶ Accidental coincidence of a positron and a photon (RMD or AIF).
- ▶ RMD where  $E \rightarrow 0$ ,

- ▶ Time- and vertex- correlated.

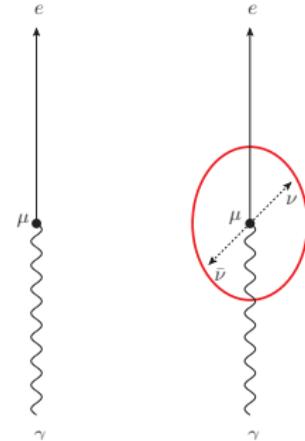
- ▶ Indistinguishable except for energy carried out by neutrinos:  $E = m_\mu - E_{\text{vis}}$ .

- ▶ Energy and  $t_{e\gamma}$  calibration.

- ▶ Normalization:

$$N_\mu = \frac{N^{e\nu\bar{\nu}\gamma}}{\mathcal{B}^{e\nu\bar{\nu}\gamma}} \times \varepsilon_{\text{exp}}$$

$\mathcal{B}^{\text{exp}}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu\bar{\nu}\gamma, \omega_0 \geq 40 \text{ MeV}, E_e \geq 45 \text{ MeV}) = 6.03(14)_{\text{st}}(53)_{\text{sys}} \times 10^{-8}$   
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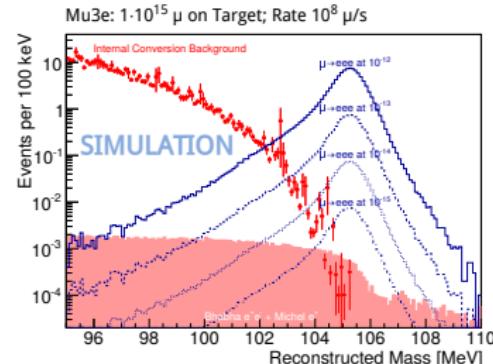
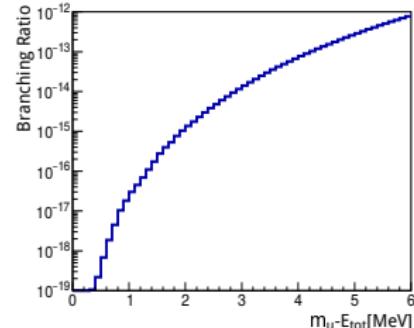


# Time-correlated background: Mu3e

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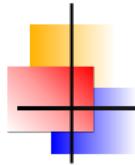
Background:

- ▶ Accidental combination two positron and an electron,
- ▶ Rare decay:  
 $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$ .
- ▶ Background suppression with  
 $m_\mu - E_{\text{vis}} \leq E_{\text{max}}$



Mu3e collaboration,

EPJ Web Conf. 118 (2016) 01028.



## Babar's measurements of $\tau \rightarrow \ell \gamma \nu \bar{\nu}$ decays

B.R. of radiative  $\tau$  leptonic decays ( $E_\gamma^{\min} = 10$  MeV)

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BABAR coll., PRD 91 (2015) 051103

- ▶ Babar experimental precision around 3%.
- ▶ More precise than CLEO results: T. Bergfeld et al., PRL 84 (2000) 830  
 $1.75(6)_{\text{st}}(17)_{\text{sy}} \times 10^{-2}$  ( $\tau \rightarrow e \gamma \nu \bar{\nu}$ ),  
 $3.61(16)_{\text{st}}(35)_{\text{sy}} \times 10^{-3}$  ( $\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma \nu \bar{\nu}$ ).

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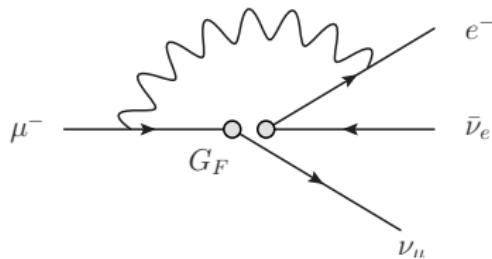
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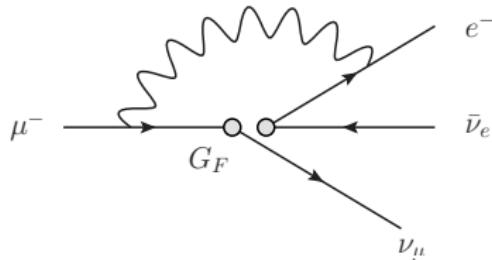
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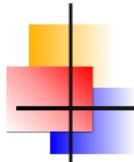
2-loop QED contributions to the muon lifetime in the Fermi model:



# Why NLO?

- ▶ Decay rates at LO:
  - ▶  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\nu\bar{\nu}$  Kinoshita, Sirlin, PRL 2 (1959) 177; Fronsdal, Uberall, PR 133 (1959) 654; Eckstein, Pratt, Ann. Phys. 8 (1959) 297; Kuno, Okada, RMP 73 (2001) 151; (one-loop) Fischer et al., PRD 49 (1994) 3426; Arbuzov, Scherbakova, PLB 597 (2004) 285.
  - ▶  $\mu \rightarrow e(e^+e^-)\nu\bar{\nu}$  Bardin, Istatkov, Mitselmakher, Yad. Fiz. 15 (1972) 284; Fishbane & Gaemers, PRD. 33 (1986) 159; van Ritbergen & Stuart, NPB 564 (2000) 343; Djilkibaev & Konoplich, PRD 79 (1009) 073004.
- ▶  $\alpha/\pi \sim 0.002$
- ▶ NLO enhancement (up to a relative  $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$  correction) due to
  - ▶ collinear photons:  $\alpha \ln m_e/Q$ .
  - ▶ soft photons:  $\alpha \ln \omega_0/Q$ .
- ▶ Babar's BRs must be compared with SM branching ratio at NLO  $(\alpha/\pi) \ln(m_l/m_\tau) \ln(\omega_0/m_\tau)$ ,  $\sim 10\%$  for  $l = e$ ,  $\sim 3\%$  for  $l = \mu$ .
- ▶ For per-cent accuracy, leading-log resummation or even  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$  correction are relevant.
- ▶ Reduce error on the TH prediction:
  - ▶ Unknown higher order corrections,
  - ▶  $\mu_R$  dependence in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ ,
  - ▶  $\alpha$  or  $\alpha(q^2)$ ?

## Technical Ingredients



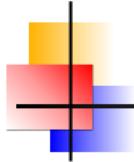
## Width @ NLO

$$\Gamma_{\text{NLO}} = \int d\Phi_n \left[ |\mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{virt}} \mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}^*) \right] + \int d\Phi_{n+1} |\mathcal{M}_{\text{real}}|^2$$

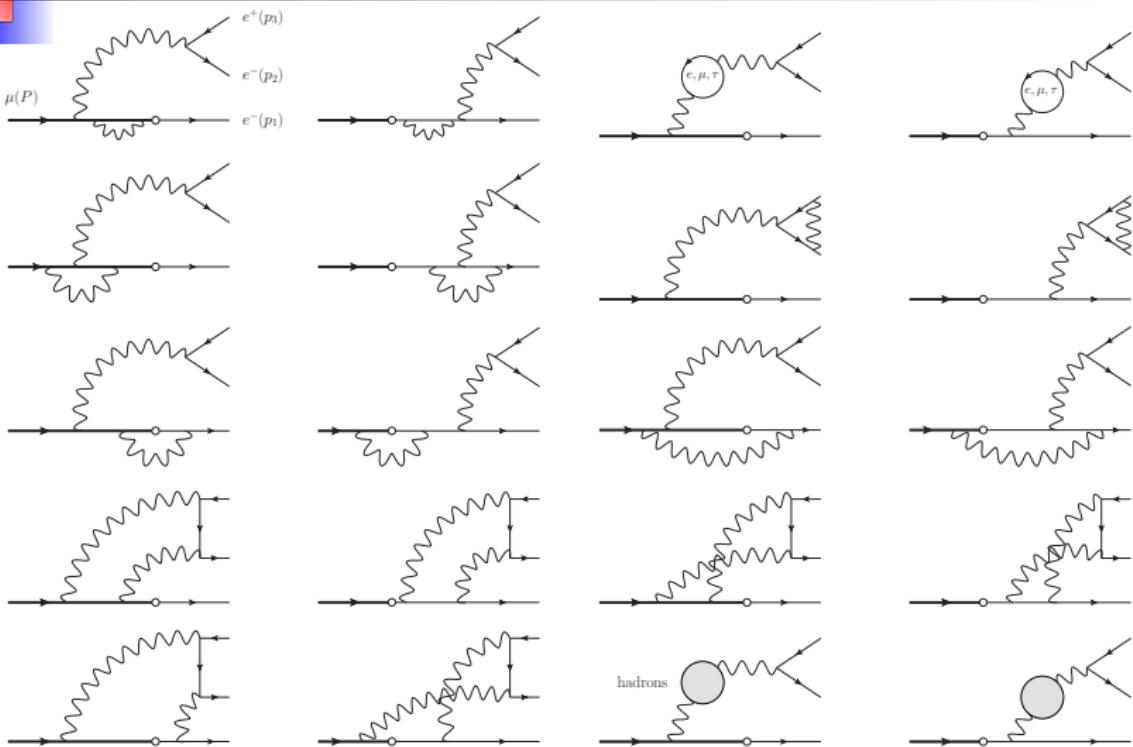
- ▶ NLO correction computed with Fermi Lagrangian.
- ▶ Virtual corrections are finite after  $e$  and  $m$  renormalization.
- ▶ finite terms  $\propto m_e$  cannot be neglected:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\theta_{l\gamma}} \sim \frac{(m_l/E_l)^2}{((m_l/E_l)^2 + \theta_{l\gamma}^2)^2}$$

T. D. Lee, M. Nauenberg, PR 133 (1964) B1549  
L. M. Sehgal, PLB 569 (2003) 25  
V. S. Schulz, L. M. Sehgal, PLB 594 (2004) 153



## Virtual Corrections

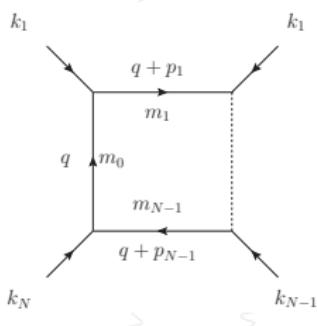


# Virtual Corrections

$$T^{N,\mu_1 \dots \mu_P} = \frac{(2\pi\mu)^{4-D}}{i\pi^2} \int d^D q \frac{q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_P}}{N_0 N_1 \dots N_{N-1}}$$

$$N_i = (q + k_i)^2 - m_i^2 + i\epsilon, \quad i = 0, \dots, N$$

► Lorenz decomposition of  $T^{N,\mu_1 \dots \mu_P}$



$$T^{N,\mu} = \sum_{i_1=1}^{N-1} p_{i_1}^\mu T_{i_1}^N, \quad T^{N,\mu\nu} = \sum_{i_1,i_2=1}^{N-1} p_{i_1}^\mu p_{i_2}^\nu T_{i_1 i_2}^N + g^{\mu\nu} T_{00}^N,$$

$$T^{N,\mu\nu\rho} = \sum_{i_1,i_2,i_3=1}^{N-1} p_{i_1}^\mu p_{i_2}^\nu p_{i_3}^\rho T_{i_1 i_2 i_3}^N + \{gp\}_{i_1}^{\mu\nu\rho} T_{00 i_1}^N, \quad \text{etc.}$$

► Tensor coefficients are evaluated numerically  
(e.g. via Passarino-Veltman reduction).

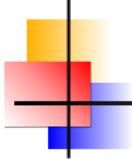
- *LoopTools*, T. Hahn, hep-ph/9807565
- *Collier*, Denner et al. hep-ph/1604.06792



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- ▶ Processes with additional soft photon emission are experimentally undistinguishable.
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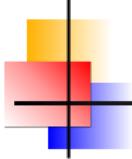


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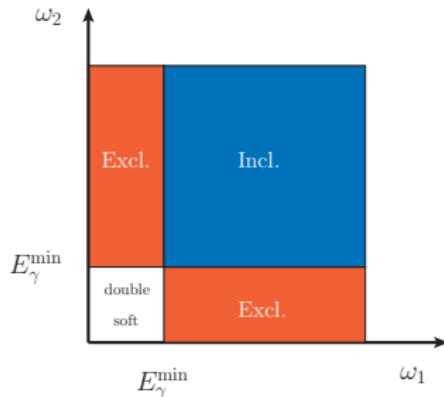
$$\Gamma_{\text{real}} = \int d\Phi_n F_{\text{soft}}(\omega'_0, \lambda) |\mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}|^2 + \int_{\omega > \omega'_0} d\Phi_{n+1} |\mathcal{M}_{\text{real}}|^2$$

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- ▶  $F_{\text{soft}} |\mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}|^2 + 2\text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{virt}} \mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}})$  is free of IR-divergences ( $\ln \lambda$ ) but it is not adequate for real experiments since they do not provide a sufficiently small  $\omega'_0$  ( $\omega'_0 \ll m_\mu$ ).
- ▶ Also other methods on the market: dipoles, FKS, antenna.



## Real Emission in RMD

RMD branching ratio is defined for a minimum photon energy  $E_\gamma^{\min}$ .



Double bremsstrahlung: two photons in the final state. We distinguish “Inclusive” and “Exclusive” BRs:

- ▶  $\mathcal{B}^{\text{Exc}}(E_\gamma^{\min}) = \blacksquare,$
- ▶  $\mathcal{B}^{\text{Inc}}(E_\gamma^{\min}) = \blacksquare + \blacksquare.$

NLO Branching Ratios



## Results: BRs

	$\mu \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu}\gamma$ [ $E_\gamma^{\min} = 10$ MeV]	$\mu \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu}\gamma$ [MEG]	$\mu \rightarrow e(e^+e^-)\nu\bar{\nu}$
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{LO}}$	$1.308 \times 10^{-2}$	$6.204 \times 10^{-8}$	$3.6054 \times 10^{-5}$
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{Inc}}$	$1.289(1)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-2}$	$5.84(2)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-8}$	$3.5987(8)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-5}$
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{Exc}}$	$1.286(1)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-2}$	—	—
K (Inc)	0.985	0.94	0.998
K (Exc)	0.983	—	—
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{EXP}}$	<sup>†</sup> $1.4(4) \times 10^{-2}$	<sup>*</sup> $6.03(14)_{\text{st}}(53)_{\text{sys}} \times 10^{-8}$	<sup>‡</sup> $3.4(4) \times 10^{-5}$

<sup>†</sup> Crittenden et al - PR 121 (1961) 1823

<sup>\*</sup> MEG - EPJC 76 (2016) 108  $E_e > 45$  MeV &  $E_\gamma > 40$  MeV

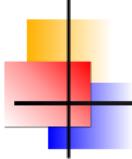
<sup>‡</sup> SINDRUM - NPB 260 (1985) 1

( $\tau$ ): experimental error of lifetimes.

K-factor:  $K = \mathcal{B}^{\text{NLO}} / \mathcal{B}^{\text{LO}}$ .

(th): assigned th. error:

- ▶ RMD:  $(\alpha/\pi) \ln(m_e/m_\mu) \ln(E_\gamma^{\min}/m_\mu)$ ,
- ▶ Rare:  $\mu_R$  variation.



## Results: $R\tau D$

	$\tau \rightarrow e\bar{\nu}\nu\gamma$	$\tau \rightarrow \mu\bar{\nu}\nu\gamma$
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{LO}}$	$1.834 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.663 \times 10^{-3}$
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{Inc}}$	$1.728 (10)_{\text{th}}(3)_{\tau} \times 10^{-2}$	$3.605 (2)_{\text{th}}(6)_{\tau} \times 10^{-3}$
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{Exc}}$	$1.645 (19)_{\text{th}}(3)_{\tau} \times 10^{-2}$	$3.572 (3)_{\text{th}}(6)_{\tau} \times 10^{-3}$
K (Inc)	0.94	0.98
K (Exc)	0.90	0.97
$\mathcal{B}_{\text{EXP}}$	${}^{\dagger} 1.847 (15)_{\text{st}}(52)_{\text{sy}} \times 10^{-2}$	${}^{\dagger} 3.69 (3)_{\text{st}}(10)_{\text{sy}} \times 10^{-3}$

${}^{\dagger}$  BABAR - PRD 91 (2015) 051103

Comparison with Babar **exclusive** measurements:

	$\tau \rightarrow e\bar{\nu}\nu\gamma$	$\tau \rightarrow \mu\bar{\nu}\nu\gamma$
$\Delta^{\text{Exc}}$	$2.02 (57) \times 10^{-3} \rightarrow 3.5\sigma$	$1.2 (1.0) \times 10^{-4} \rightarrow 1.1\sigma$



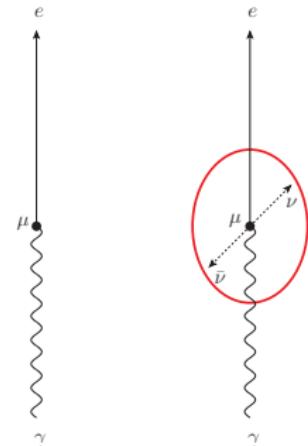
## Results: BRs dependence on $\not{E}_{\text{max}}$

- ▶  $\mathcal{B}(\not{E}_{\text{max}})$ : branching ratio at the end point region

$$m_\mu - E_{\text{vis}} = \not{E} \leq \not{E}_{\text{max}} \rightarrow 0,$$

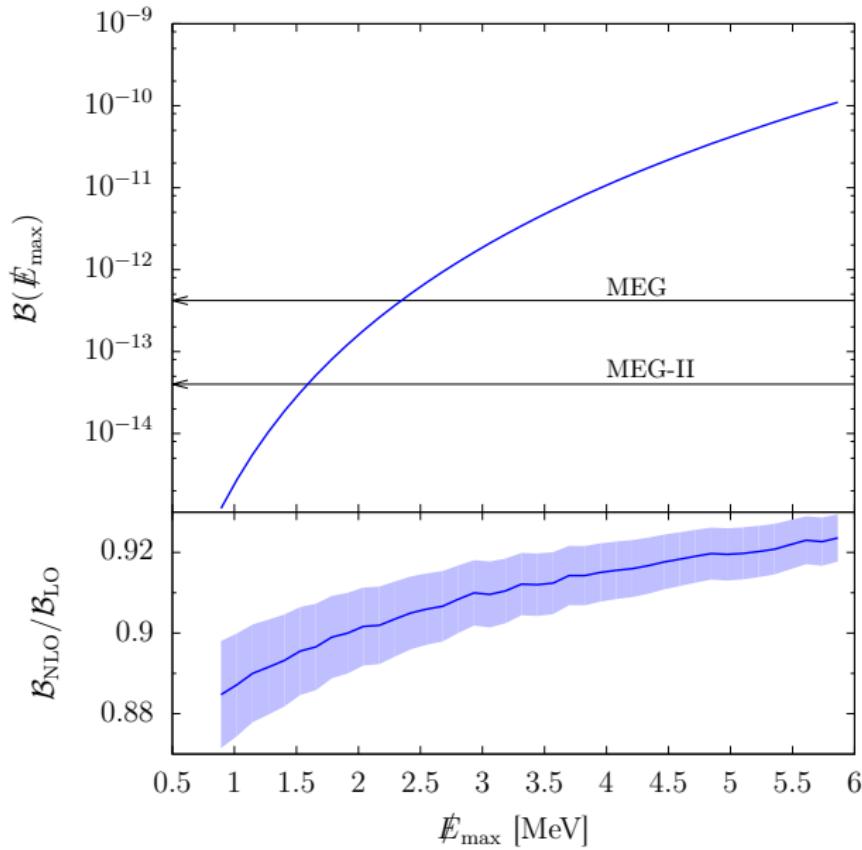
(RMD):  $E_{\text{vis}} = E_e + E_\gamma$ ,

(Rare):  $E_{\text{vis}} = E_{e1} + E_{e2} + E_{e3}$ .

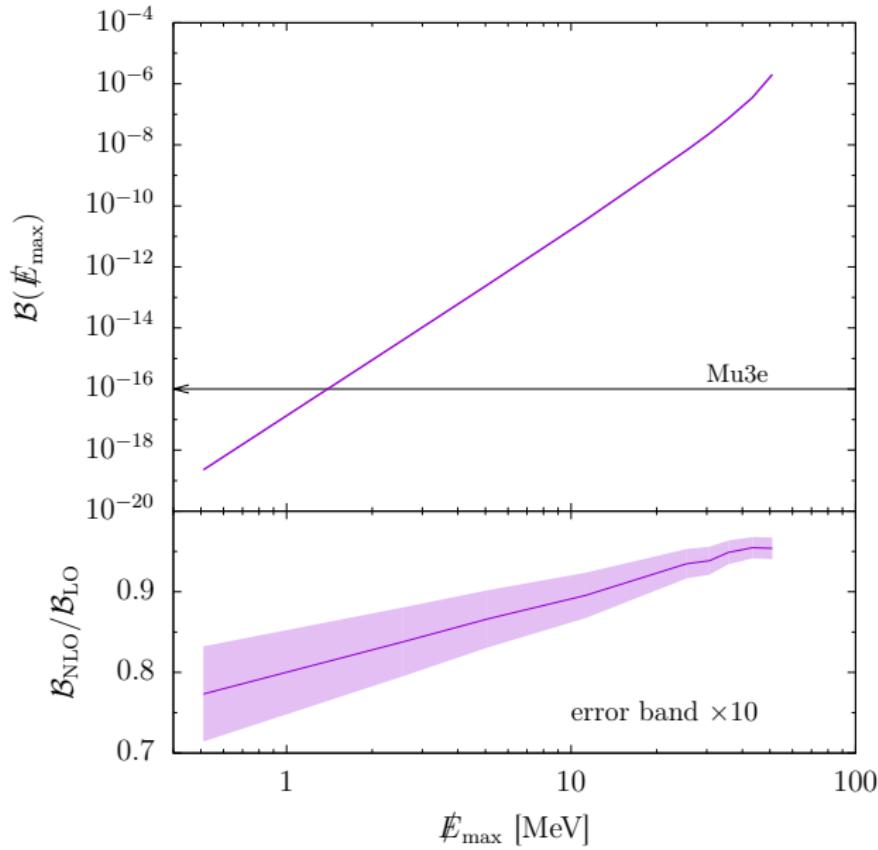


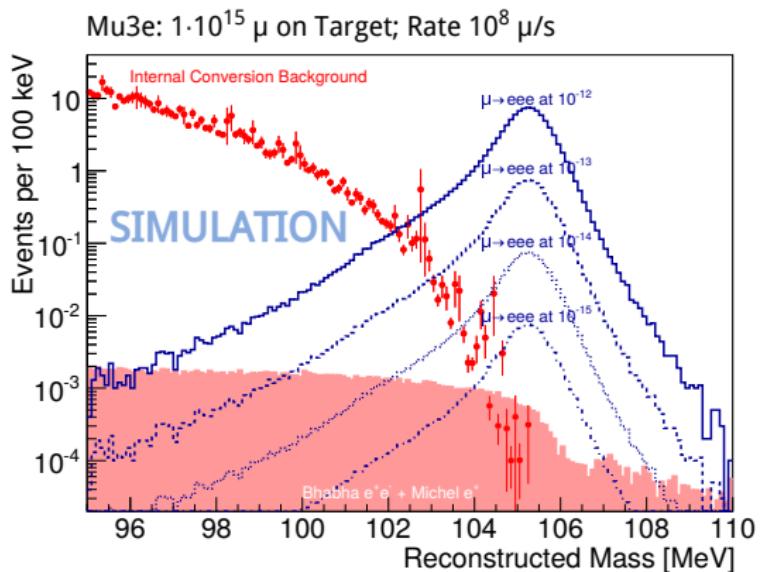
- ▶ Additional photon radiation is assumed to be “invisible”.
- ▶ The  $\not{E}_{\text{max}}$  cut can be implemented as a restricted integration boundaries (no need of a veto function).

$$\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_e$$

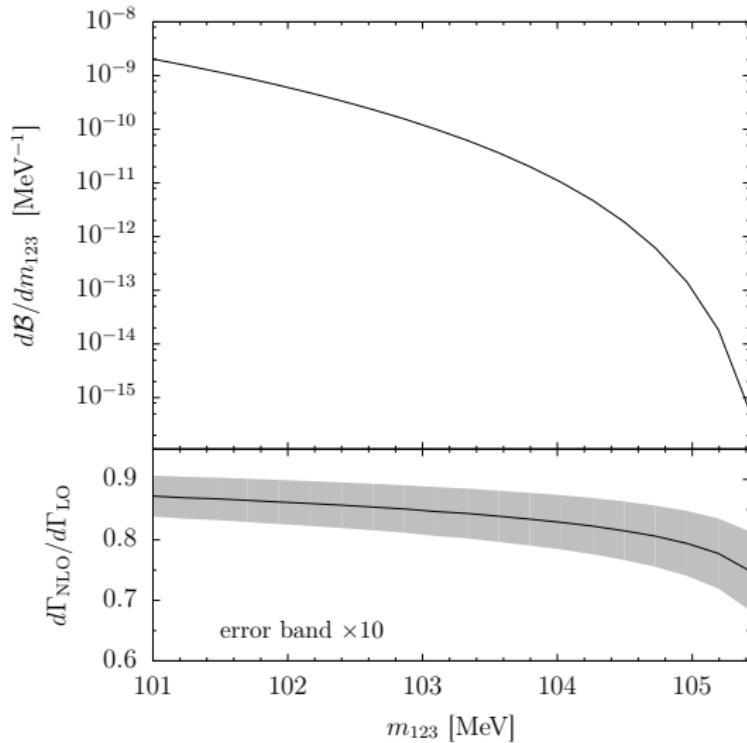


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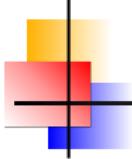




$$\mu^- \rightarrow e^-(e^+e^-)\nu_\mu\bar{\nu}_e$$



$m_{123}$ : invariant mass of the three electrons.

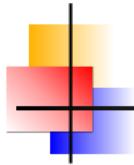


## Conclusions

- ▶ We studied the differential rates and BRs of radiative decay  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\nu\bar{\nu}$  and the rare decay  $\mu \rightarrow e(e^+e^-)\nu\bar{\nu}$  in the SM at NLO in  $\alpha$ .
- ▶ QED RC were computed taking into account full mass dependence  $m_e/m_\mu$ , needed for the correct determination of the BRs.
- ▶  $2\text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{virt}}\mathcal{M}_{\text{LO}}^*)$  and  $|\mathcal{M}_{\text{real}}|^2$  are available as Fortran code.
- ▶ BRS: our predictions agree with the experimental value for  $\mathcal{B}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\nu\bar{\nu})$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(\mu \rightarrow eee\nu\bar{\nu})$  and Babar's measurement of  $\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma\nu\bar{\nu})$ .
- ▶ On the contrary, Babar's precise measurement of  $\mathcal{B}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma\nu\bar{\nu})$  differs from our prediction by  $3.5\sigma$ .
- ▶ Search of CLFV: QED RC in the PS region where  $m_\mu - E_{\text{vis}} \rightarrow 0$  can yield a  $O(10\%)$  (negative) contribution to the width.



## Backup slides



$\mathcal{B}(\not{E}_{\max})$

$\not{E}_{\max}$	$\mathcal{B}_{\text{LO}}$	$\delta \mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}$	$\mathcal{B}_{\text{NLO}}$	$K$
no cut	$3.6054(1)_n \times 10^{-5}$	$-6.69(5)_n \times 10^{-8}$	$3.5987(1)_n(8)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-5}$	0.998
$1 m_e$	$2.8979(6)_n \times 10^{-19}$	$-6.56(2)_n \times 10^{-20}$	$2.242(2)_n(17)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-19}$	0.77
$5 m_e$	$4.641(1)_n \times 10^{-15}$	$-7.41(3)_n \times 10^{-16}$	$3.900(3)_n(20)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-15}$	0.83
$10 m_e$	$3.0704(7)_n \times 10^{-13}$	$-4.04(2)_n \times 10^{-14}$	$2.666(2)_n(11)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-13}$	0.87
$20 m_e$	$2.1186(5)_n \times 10^{-11}$	$-2.17(1)_n \times 10^{-12}$	$1.902(1)_n(6)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-11}$	0.90
$50 m_e$	$7.151(1)_n \times 10^{-9}$	$-4.55(3)_n \times 10^{-10}$	$6.696(3)_n(13)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-9}$	0.93
$100 m_e$	$2.1214(4)_n \times 10^{-6}$	$-9.47(6)_n \times 10^{-8}$	$2.027(1)_n(3)_{\text{th}} \times 10^{-6}$	0.96



## QED NLO Corrections to Radiative $\mu$ and $\tau$ Leptonic Decay

The total differential decay for a polarized  $\mu$  or  $\tau$  lepton in the tau r.f. is

$$\frac{d^6\Gamma^{\text{NLO}}}{dx dy d\Omega_l d\Omega_\gamma} = \frac{\alpha G_F^2 m_\tau^5}{(4\pi)^6} \frac{x\beta}{1 + \delta_w(m_\mu, m_e)} \left[ G(x, y, c) \right.$$

$$\left. + x\beta \hat{n} \cdot \hat{p}_l J(x, y, c) + y \hat{n} \cdot \hat{p}_\gamma K(x, y, c) + y x\beta \hat{n} \cdot (\hat{p}_l \times \hat{p}_\gamma) L(x, y, c) \right]$$

where  $x = 2E_l/m_\tau$ ,  $y = 2E_\gamma/m_\tau$ ,  $c = \cos\theta_{l\gamma}$ . The polarization vector  $n = (0, \vec{n})$  satisfies  $n^2 = -1$  and  $n \cdot p_\tau = 0$ .

The function  $G(x, y, c)$ , and similarly for  $J$  and  $K$ , is given by

$$G(x, y, c) = \frac{4}{3yz^2} \left[ g_{\text{LO}}(x, y, z) + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} g_{\text{NLO}}(x, y, z; y_{\min}) + \left( \frac{m_\tau}{M_W} \right)^2 g_w(x, y, z) \right]$$

The total differential decay for a polarized  $\mu$  or  $\tau$  lepton in the tau r.f. is

$$\frac{d^6\Gamma^{\text{NLO}}}{dx dy d\Omega_l d\Omega_\gamma} = \frac{\alpha G_F^2 m_\tau^5}{(4\pi)^6} \frac{x\beta}{1 + \delta_w(m_\mu, m_e)} \left[ G(x, y, c) \right.$$

$$\left. + x\beta \hat{n} \cdot \hat{p}_l J(x, y, c) + y \hat{n} \cdot \hat{p}_\gamma K(x, y, c) + y x\beta \hat{n} \cdot (\hat{p}_l \times \hat{p}_\gamma) L(x, y, c) \right]$$

where  $x = 2E_l/m_\tau$ ,  $y = 2E_\gamma/m_\tau$ ,  $c = \cos\theta_{l\gamma}$ . The polarization vector  $n = (0, \vec{n})$  satisfies  $n^2 = -1$  and  $n \cdot p_\tau = 0$ .

The function  $G(x, y, c)$ , and similarly for  $J$  and  $K$ , is given by

$$G(x, y, c) = \frac{4}{3yz^2} \left[ g_{\text{LO}}(x, y, z) + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} g_{\text{NLO}}(x, y, z; y_{\min}) + \left( \frac{m_\tau}{M_W} \right)^2 g_w(x, y, z) \right]$$

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