Fundamental Symmetries and EIC (Probing BSM physics at the EIC)

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Theory for EIC in the next decade

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# Finding BSM: the energy frontier



- 1. smash protons as hard as you can and see what comes out
- create new particles and/or study their effects on rare processes

# Finding BSM: the precision frontier



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- 2. search for processes with no/very precisely known SM background
- neutrinoless double  $\beta$  decay
- electric dipole moments
- lepton flavor violation  $\mu \to e \gamma$

- muon and electron g 2
- kaon physics
- rare *B* decays,  $b \rightarrow s\gamma$

## The Electron-Ion Collider: an intensity frontier machine?



from A. Deshpande, hacked by C. Lee

- EIC will deliver a lot of data! 1000 times more than HERA (at a smaller  $\sqrt{s}$ )
- with additional unique possibility to polarize *e* and proton beams

can we look for rare/BSM processes? can it be competitive with LHC/low energy probes?

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but neutrino have masses!

- LF is broken in neutrino sector
- charged LFV highly suppressed by GIM mechanism

BR ~ 
$$\left(\frac{m_{\nu}}{m_{W}}\right)^{4}$$
 ~ 10<sup>-44</sup>  
S. Petcov, '77; W. Marciano and A. Sanda



 ... however, models that explain m<sub>ν</sub> usually introduce new CLFV at tree or loop level

> e.g. type I, II and III see-saw A. Abada, C. Biggio, F. Bonnet, M. B. Gavela, T. Hambye, '08

• CLFV experiments crucial to falsify TeV origin of  $m_{\nu}$ 

# CLFV at low- and high-energy



- $\mu \leftrightarrow e$  transitions well constrained at low-energy (hopeless?)
- $\mu \leftrightarrow \tau$  interesting, but not for EIC
- $\tau\leftrightarrow e$  transitions
  - 1.  $\tau$  and meson decays
  - 2. pp collisions
  - 3. & the upcoming EIC

 $au o e\gamma, au o e\pi\pi, au o eK\pi, B o \pi au e, \dots$  $pp o e au, h o au e, t o q au e \dots$ 

M. Gonderinger and M. Ramsey-Musolf; V. Cirigliano et al.; J. Zhang, S. Mantry, et al.; and two Snowmass white papers 2203, 13192, 2203, 14919

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## The Standard Model Effective Field Theory



- SM fields, no new light degrees of freedom (e.g. no  $\nu_R$ )
- local  $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  invariance
- organize them in a power counting based on canonical dimension

1. no CLFV at dim. 4 2. GIM suppression at dim. 5, BR  $\sim (m_{\nu}/m_W)^4$ 

## SMEFT for CLFV



1. LFV Z couplings, &  $\gamma$ , Z dipole and Yukawa couplings

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{g}{2c_w} Z_\mu \left[ \left( c_{L\varphi}^{(1)} + c_{L\varphi}^{(1)} \right)_{\tau e} \bar{\tau}_L \gamma^\mu e_L + c_{e\varphi} \bar{\tau}_R \gamma^\mu e_R \right] - \frac{e}{2v} \left[ \Gamma_\gamma^e \right]_{\tau e} \bar{\tau}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_R F_{\mu\nu} - \left[ Y_e' \right]_{\tau e} h \bar{\tau}_L e_R + \text{h.c.} \qquad C = \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

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  - 7 Vector/Axial:  $C_{L,Q}^{(1,3)}$ ,  $C_{eu}$ ,  $C_{ed}$ ,  $C_{Lu}$ ,  $C_{Ld}$ ,  $C_{Qe}$ 3 Scalar/Tensor:  $C_{LedQ}$ ,  $C_{LeQu}^{(1,3)}$

# SMEFT for CLFV



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- assume generic quark flavor structures

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{\tau e} = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{dd} & \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{ds} & \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{db} \\ \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{sd} & \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{ss} & \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{sb} \\ \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{bd} & \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{bs} & \begin{bmatrix} C_{Ld} \end{bmatrix}_{bb} \end{pmatrix}$$

• and integrate out the top quark

run (strongly) onto dipoles, Z couplings, and match onto  $\bar{\tau} e G_{\alpha\beta} G^{\alpha\beta}$  ops.

# CLFV Deep Inelastic Scattering & EIC sensitivity

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• at tree level

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0}\frac{d\sigma}{dx\,dy} = \sum_i \left[ (1 - \lambda_e) \left( \hat{\sigma}_{\text{LL}} + \hat{\sigma}_{\text{LR}} \right) + (1 + \lambda_e) \left( \hat{\sigma}_{\text{RL}} + \hat{\sigma}_{\text{RR}} \right) \right] f_i(x, Q^2)$$

 $\lambda_e$ : electron polarization

• all operator info in partonic  $\hat{\sigma}_{LL}$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_{LR}$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_{RL}$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_{RR}$ 



e.g. LL vector like operators

$$\hat{\sigma}_{LL}^{u_i} = F_Z \left\{ \left| \left[ c_{L\varphi}^{(1)} + c_{L\varphi}^{(3)} \right]_{\tau e} z_{u_L} + \frac{Q^2 + m_Z^2}{m_Z^2} \left[ C_{LQ, U} \right]_{\tau e u_i u_i} \right|^2 + \sum_{j \neq i} \left| \frac{Q^2 + m_Z^2}{m_Z^2} \left[ C_{LQ, U} \right]_{\tau e u_j u_i} \right|^2 \right\} \right.$$

$$F_Z = \frac{1}{4\epsilon_w^4 s_w^4} \frac{Q^4}{(Q^2 + m_Z^2)^2}$$

analogous to Z-exchange DIS

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e.g. scalar/tensor operators

$$\hat{\sigma}_{RR}^{u_i} = F_S y^2 \left\{ \left| \left[ C_{LeQu}^{(1)} \right]_{\tau e u_i u_i} + 4 \left( 1 - \frac{2}{y} \right) \left[ C_{LeQu}^{(3)} \right]_{\tau e u_i u_i} + \frac{Y_u}{2} \left[ Y_e' \right]_{\tau e} \frac{v^2}{m_H^2 + Q^2} \right|^2 \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{j \neq i} \left| \left[ C_{LeQu}^{(1)} \right]_{\tau e u_j u_i} + 4 \left( 1 - \frac{2}{y} \right) \left[ C_{LeQu}^{(3)} \right]_{\tau e u_j u_i} \right|^2 \right\}$$

$$F_S = \frac{1}{4c_w^4 s_w^4} \frac{Q^4}{m_Z^4}$$

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- most cross sections in the 1-10 pb range, for  $\Lambda = v$ ,
- heavy flavors c, b suppressed by factor ten
- large PDF uncertainties for heavy-flavor-initiated processes

### $\tau$ at the EIC



- 1.  $ep \rightarrow \tau X \rightarrow e + \mathbf{E} + X$
- 2.  $ep \rightarrow \tau X \rightarrow \mu + E + X$

(substantial) background from standard NC and CC DIS

- 3.  $ep \rightarrow \tau X \rightarrow X_h + I\!\!E + X$ 
  - simulate SM & SMEFT events with Pythia8 + Delphes for EIC

thanks to Miguel Arratia!

# Muon channel



- too much background in e channel,  $\mu$  channel much more promising!
- in SM,  $\mu$  come from hadron decays, typically at small  $p_T$

 $p_T^{\mu} > 10 \, {\rm GeV}, \quad {I\!\!\! E}_T > 15 \, {\rm GeV}, \quad p_T^{j_1} > 20 \, {\rm GeV}$ 

eliminates all SM background

• smaller signal efficiency for Z couplings, heavy quarks

## Hadronic channel



• one " $\tau$ -tagged" jet, with 1 or 3 charged tracks, and close in  $\phi$  to  $\mathbf{E}_T$ 

· recoils against a second jet, no charged leptons in final state

$$p_T^{j_1} > 20 \,\mathrm{GeV}, \quad p_T^{j_2} > 15 \,\mathrm{GeV}, \quad I\!\!E_T > 15 \,\mathrm{GeV} \Longrightarrow \epsilon_{SM} = 10^{-5}$$

does not quite kill all SM background

cuts severely suppress heavy quark signals

## EIC sensitivity to CLFV



•  $\epsilon_{n_b}$ : signal efficiency for the cuts to reduce the SM background to  $n_b$  events

At EIC with  $\mathcal{L} = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $\sqrt{S} = 140 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $n_{\text{obs}} = n_b$ 

• EIC can probe couplings at the  $10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$  level in  $\mu$  channel

can improve with "smarter" hadronic channel analysis

• no suppression for off-diagonal, e.g.  $C_{cu} \sim C_{uu}$ 

Complementary probes: LHC and  $\tau$  decays

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## CLFV in high-invariant mass Drell-Yan



- if  $\Lambda \gtrsim 3 4$  TeV, use same SMEFT operators as EIC
- simulate SMEFT operators at NLO in QCD (POWHEG + Pythia8 + Delphes)
- signal from four-fermion enhanced at large  $m_{\tau e}$ , indep. of Lorentz structure

# CLFV at the LHC



- LHC probes SMEFT coefficients at a similar level as EIC
- bounds from tail of  $m_{e\tau}$  distribution, sensitive to SMEFT assumption! weaker by  $\sim 2$  if BSM particles in *t*-channel with  $M \sim 1 - 2$  TeV
- DY sensitive to sum of flavors tagging heavy flavors at EIC unique way to identify BSM mechanism
- LHC uniquely sensitive to LFV in Higgs and top FCNC couplings

## B and $\tau$ CLFV decays

Decay mode	V	A	S	P	T
	$q^{(0)}q^{(1)} \ s \ c \ b$	$q^{(0)}q^{(1)} \ s \ c \ b$	$q^{(0)}q^{(1)} \ s \ c \ b$	$q^{(0)}q^{(1)} \ s \ c \ b$	ис
$\tau \rightarrow e\gamma$					$\checkmark$
$  \tau \rightarrow e\ell^+\ell^-$	$\checkmark$				
$\tau \rightarrow e\pi^0$		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	
$\tau \rightarrow e\eta, \eta'$		$\checkmark$		V VVV	
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$\tau \rightarrow eK^+K^-$	$\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$		$\checkmark \qquad \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$		$\checkmark$
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$\tau \rightarrow eK_S^0$		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- K \pi$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		
$B^0 \rightarrow e \tau$		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	
$   B^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ e \tau   $	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		
$B^+ \to K^+ e \tau$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		

 $\checkmark$  = tree  $\checkmark$  = loop

- $\tau$  branching ratios in the  $\sim 10^{-7}$ - $10^{-8}$  range
- non-perturbative input mostly under control (some model dep. in  $K^+K^-$ )

A. Celis, V. Cirigliano, E. Passemar, '14, V. Cirigliano, A. Crivellin, M. Hoferichter, '18 E. Passemar private comm., K. Beloborodov, V. Druzhinin, S. Serednyakov, '19

• *B* branching ratios  $\sim 10^{-5}$ , decay constants and form factors from LQCD

# High-energy vs low-energy: dipole, Yukawa and Z



- no competition on γ and Z dipole operators
- strong direct LHC bound on Y'
- $\tau \to e\pi\pi$  dominates Z couplings

# High-energy vs low-energy: four-fermion



Upper limit on LFV coupling and lower limit on new physics scale

uu  $\tau \to e\pi\pi$  stronger by ~ 5,

EIC and LHC competitive with  $\tau \rightarrow e\pi$ 

- cc low-energy loop suppressed, EIC can do better than LHC
- tt surprisingly strong constraints from  $\tau$  decays
- EIC & LHC crucial for off-diagonal

# High-energy vs low-energy: four-fermion



- EIC very competitive on bb component
- and with B decays
- similar conclusions for scalar/tensor operators

### Towards a global fit



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- turn on all V/A couplings to L leptons & d-type quarks
- contributions to hadronic  $\tau$  decays cancel for  $[C_{Ld}]_{bb} \sim -[C_{LQD}]_{bb}$
- $\tau \rightarrow e \ell^+ \ell^-$  weaker than current LHC and project EIC

# CLFV and leptoquarks



J. L. Zhang, S. Mantry et al (ECCE collaboration), '22

EIC sensitivity can be interpreted in terms of UV models (e.g. leptoquarks)

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#### $e \rightarrow \mu$ conversion



• similar (simpler) analysis for  $e \rightarrow \mu$  operators

assuming  $\mu$  reconstruction as good as electron

• very strong constraints from  $\mu \rightarrow e$  conversion in nuclei

also on heavy flavor operators

• but there are unconstrained directions, e.g. b axial couplings

 $\bar{\mu}_{L,R}\gamma^{\mu}e_{L,R}\,\bar{b}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_{5}b$ 

### Electroweak physics

R. Boughezal, F. Petriello, D. Wiegand, Removing flat directions in standard model EFT fits;
 B. Yan, Z. Yu, C. P. Yuan, The anomalous *Zbb* couplings at the HERA and EIC;
 R. Boughezal, *et al*, Neutral-current electroweak physics and SMEFT studies at the EIC;
 R. Abdul Khalek, *et al*, Electron Ion Collider for High Energy Physics (Snowmass21);

# Blind spots in the LHC BSM coverage

- Z' models, TeV-scale gravity theories, leptoquarks, and many more.
- theory and small experimental errors.



Boughezal, Petriello, Wiegand 2004.00748

• New semi-leptonic four-fermion interactions appear in numerous extensions of the SM:

• Strong constraints on them expected from LHC Drell-Yan data, due to very precise

Blind spots in the LHC coverage! LHC Drell-Yan invariant mass and rapidity distributions only probe one linear combination of parameters.

 $:(\bar{l}\gamma^{\mu}l)(\bar{q}\gamma_{\mu}q)$  $\mathcal{O}_{eu}:(\bar{e}\gamma^{\mu}e)(\bar{u}\gamma_{\mu}u)$ 







# **Resolving LHC blind spots with the EIC**

• The EIC, with the possibility of polarizing both beams, can remove these



Boughezal et al, 2204.07557

degeneracies. Excellent opportunity for complementarity with the LHC program!

• A fit to simulated parity-violating asymmetries assuming either polarized electrons or protons/deuterons shows that no degeneracies remain in the parameter space after the nominal EIC program.

• The EIC and LHC probes of Wilson coefficients are orthogonal. They can be combined to further strengthen the bounds on the parameter space.

> P4 (NL) : 10 GeV x 275 GeV ep, 100 fb^-1 P4 (HL): 10 GeV x 275 GeV ep, 1000 fb^-1

# Constraining the $Z\bar{b}b$ coupling



- long standing  $2\sigma$  tension in b forward-backward asymmetry at LEP
- LEP/SLC not sufficient to lift the degeneracy in  $\kappa_A \kappa_V$  plane
- exploit polarization at *e*-*p* colliders

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## Conclusion

EIC's features allow for rich program of BSM searches

- 1. charged lepton flavor violation
- 2. anomalous couplings of Z and W bosons
- 3. precise extractions of SM couplings
- 4. extraction of nucleon MEs needed for BSM searches

5. ...

• competitive and complementary to LHC & low-energy probes

definitely worth pursuing!

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# Back up

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CLFV in Z, H, t decays and Drell-Yan

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# Z, Higgs and Top decays



ATLAS-CONF-2018-044

- $Z \rightarrow \tau e$  studied at LEP and LHC, % level constraints on  $c_{L\varphi}, c_{e\varphi}$
- strong constraints on LFV Yukawa from  $H \rightarrow \tau e$  at ATLAS and CMS

$$|Y'_{e\tau, \tau e}| < 2.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

- search for  $t \to q\ell\ell'$  at ATLAS, mostly sensitive to  $t \to q\mu e$
- worked with C. A. Gottardo extract  $BR(t \rightarrow qe\tau) < 2.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$
- phase space suppression implies weak  $\sim 10\%$  bounds

### Towards a global fit



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$$C_{Lu} = \operatorname{diag}([C_{Lu}]_{uu}, 0, 0)$$

$$C_{Ld} = \operatorname{diag}([C_{Ld}]_{dd}, [C_{Ld}]_{ss}, 0)$$

$$C_{L\varphi}$$

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- $\pi\pi$  mode dominates, can weaken the limits with multiple couplings
- turn on all V/A couplings to L leptons & light quarks
- isoscalar, vector couplings not well constrained,

$$[C_{LQ\,U}]_{uu} + [C_{LQ\,D}]_{dd} + [C_{Lu}]_{dd} + [C_{Ld}]_{dd}$$

no cancellation at colliders

### CLFV and leptoquarks



• leptoquarks are good candidate for BSM ( $\nu$  masses, *B* anomalies, ...)

$$\mathcal{L} = \tilde{\lambda}^{\alpha a} \bar{d}_R^{\alpha} \ell_L^a \tilde{S}_{1/2}^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.}$$

can explain  $\nu$  masses if we add  $\nu_R$  which interact with LQ

• match onto *L*-lepton, *R d* quark operator

$$\left[C_{Ld}\right]_{\tau e d_i d_j} = \left(\frac{v}{2M_{LQ}}\right)^2 \left(\tilde{\lambda}^*\right)^{e d_i} \left(\tilde{\lambda}\right)^{\tau d_j}$$

LQ charges are such that dipole vanishes

$$\left[\Gamma^{e}_{\gamma}\right]_{\tau e} = \left[\Gamma^{e}_{\gamma}\right]_{e\tau} = 0$$

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# Finding BSM: the precision frontier



· competitive and complementary to the energy frontier

especially when probing violation of SM symmetries

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- 3. no constraints on cu, axial and pseudoscalar sb, bs,

 $B_s \to e\tau$  at Belle II and LHCb;  $D \to e\tau$  at LHCb and BESIII

# The weak mixing angle



R. Boughezal, et al., '22

• PV asymmetries allow for precise determination of  $\sin^2 \theta_W$  unpolarized PV asymmetry

$$A_{\rm PV}^{(e)} = \frac{1}{P_e} \frac{d\sigma^{++} + d\sigma^{+-} - d\sigma^{-+} - d\sigma^{--}}{d\sigma^{++} + d\sigma^{+-} + d\sigma^{-+} + d\sigma^{--}}$$

•  $A_{PV}^{(e)}$  can be measured at the percent level (dominated by statistics) competitive extraction of  $\sin \theta_W$