# **Supersymmetric Lepton Flavour Violation**

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- LFV in the MSSM with Singlet Neutrinos  $N_{1,2,3}$
- Supersymmetric LFV in the MSSM with Low-Scale  $N_{1,2,3}$
- SLFV Quantum Effects
- Numerical Estimates for  $\ell \to \ell' \gamma$ ,  $\mu \to e$  conversion,  $\mu \to eee$ ,  $\tau \to eee$  etc
- Conclusions

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LFV induced after integrating out the super-heavy  $N_{1,2,3}$ : [F. Borzumati, A. Masiero, PRL57 (1986) 961; J. Hisano *et al.*, PRD53 (1996) 2442.]

$$\mathcal{M}^2_{\tilde{e}} = \left( egin{array}{cc} M^2_{\tilde{L}} + (m_e m^\dagger_e) + D_1 \, 1 & m_e (A^*_e - \mu t_eta \, 1) \ (A^T_e - \mu^* t_eta \, 1) m^\dagger_e & M^2_{ ilde{e}} + (m^\dagger_e m_e) + D_2 \, 1 \end{array} 
ight) \, ,$$

LFV induced by the flavour structure of the soft SUSY-breaking sector

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$${B(\mu 
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Photonic charged lepton decays dominate in soft LFV

• SLFV in the MSSM with Low-Scale  $N_{1,2,3}$ 

– **Small Neutrino Masses from Flavour Symmetries:** 

$$M_{
u} = \left( egin{array}{cc} 0 & \mathbf{m}_D^T \ \mathbf{m}_D & \mathbf{m}_M \end{array} 
ight), \qquad \mathbf{m}_D = rac{\mathbf{h}_{
u} \, v_u}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Light and Heavy Neutrino Mass Matrices:

$$\mathrm{m}_{
u}^{\mathrm{light}} pprox - \mathrm{m}_{D}^{T} \mathrm{m}_{M}^{-1} \mathrm{m}_{D}, \qquad \mathrm{m}_{M}^{\mathrm{heavy}} pprox m_{N} 1$$

**Light-to-Heavy Neutrino Mixing:**  $m_D^{\dagger} m_M^{-1} \approx m_D^{\dagger}/m_N$ 

**Define LFV** parameters:

$$\Omega_{\ell\ell'} \equiv (\mathbf{m}_D^{\dagger} \mathbf{m}_M^{-1} \mathbf{m}_M^{-1\dagger} \mathbf{m}_D)_{\ell\ell'} \approx \frac{v_u^2}{2m_N^2} (\mathbf{h}_{\nu}^{\dagger} \mathbf{h}_{\nu})_{\ell\ell'}$$

 $\Omega_{\ell\ell'}$  unconstrained from  $\mathrm{m}_{
u}^{\mathrm{light}}$  in Non-Seesaw Models

– The Non-Seesaw Paradigm

[A.P., PRL95 (2005) 081602 [hep-ph/0408103]; based on A.P., ZPC55 (1992) 275;
D. Wyler, L. Wolfenstein, NPB218 (1983) 205;
R.N. Mohapatra, J.W.F. Valle, PRD34 (1986) 1642.]

**Break SO(3)** and  $U(1)_l$  flavour symmetries:

$$\mathsf{SO}(3) \longrightarrow \mathsf{SO}(2) \simeq \mathsf{U}(1)_l \stackrel{\sim \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{e,\mu,\tau}}{\longrightarrow} \mathsf{I}$$

**U**<sub>l</sub>(1)-broken Yukawa sector:

$${
m m}_D^T \;=\; rac{v_u}{\sqrt{2}} \, \left( egin{array}{ccc} {m arepsilon}_e & a \, e^{-i\pi/4} & a \, e^{i\pi/4} \ {m arepsilon}_\mu & b \, e^{-i\pi/4} & b \, e^{i\pi/4} \ {m arepsilon}_ au & c \, e^{-i\pi/4} & c \, e^{i\pi/4} \end{array} 
ight) \;,$$

where a, b, c are unconstrained from  $m_{\nu}^{\rm light}$ , but only  $|\varepsilon_{e,\mu,\tau}|$ . If  $|\varepsilon_{e,\mu,\tau}| \sim 10^{-6}$ - $10^{-7}$ 

$$\implies \mathrm{m}_{\nu}^{\mathrm{light}} \sim rac{arepsilon_{\ell} arepsilon_{u}^{2}}{2m_{N}} \sim 0.1 \; \mathrm{eV} \implies m_{N} \sim 100 - 500 \; \mathrm{GeV}$$

⇒ 3 nearly degenerate heavy Majorana neutrinos.

### Light neutrino-mass spectrum:

$$m_{\nu}^{\text{light}} = \frac{v_{u}^{2}}{2m_{N}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} a^{2} - \varepsilon_{e}^{2} & \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} ab - \varepsilon_{e}\varepsilon_{\mu} & \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} ac - \varepsilon_{e}\varepsilon_{\tau} \\ \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} ab - \varepsilon_{e}\varepsilon_{\mu} & \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} b^{2} - \varepsilon_{\mu}^{2} & \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} bc - \varepsilon_{\mu}\varepsilon_{\tau} \\ \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} ac - \varepsilon_{e}\varepsilon_{\tau} & \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} bc - \varepsilon_{\mu}\varepsilon_{\tau} & \frac{\Delta m_{N}}{m_{N}} c^{2} - \varepsilon_{\tau}^{2} \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\Delta m_N = 2(\Delta m_M)_{23} + i[(\Delta m_M)_{33} - (\Delta m_M)_{22}], \quad \frac{b}{a} = \frac{19}{50},$$

and (in  $\sim 10^{-7}$  units)

$$\sqrt{\frac{\Delta m_N}{m_N}} a = 2, \quad \varepsilon_e = 2 + \frac{21}{250}, \quad \varepsilon_\mu = \frac{13}{50}, \quad \varepsilon_\tau = -\frac{49}{128}.$$

<u>Prediction</u>: inverted mass hierarchy,  $m_{\nu_3} < m_{\nu_1} < m_{\nu_2}$ , with

$$m_{\nu_2}^2 - m_{\nu_1}^2 = 7.54 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2, \qquad m_{\nu_1}^2 - m_{\nu_3}^2 = 2.45 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2,$$
$$\sin^2 \theta_{12} = 0.362, \qquad \sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.341, \qquad \sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.047.$$

- Scalar-Neutrino Mass Matrix:

[e.g. F. Deppisch and J.W.F. Valle, PRD72 (2005) 036001]

$$\mathcal{M}^2_{ ilde{
u}} \;=\; \left(egin{array}{cccc} H_1 & M & 0 & N \ M^\dagger & H_2 & N^T & 0 \ 0 & N^* & H_1^T & M^* \ N^\dagger & 0 & M^T & H_2^T \end{array}
ight),$$

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• Model assumptions to determine the significance of SLFV:

[A. Ilakovac and A.P., PRD80 (2009) 091902]

- N- $ilde{N}$  sector nearly supersymmetric, if  $m_N \gg M_{
  m SUSY}$
- $\mu \ll m_N$
- $ilde{M}_L^2$ ,  $ilde{M}_e^2$ ,  $A_e$  diagonal at  $m_N$

### • SLFV Quantum Effects

Dominant terms to lowest order in  $g_w$  and  $v_u$ :

– Two neutrino Yukawa couplings  $\propto \ {
m h}_{
u}^2$ 



### – Four neutrino Yukawa couplings $\propto~h_{ u}^4$



### **SLFV** Transition Amplitudes:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{T}_{\mu}^{\ell\ell'\gamma} &= \frac{e\alpha_w}{8\pi M_W^2} \,\overline{\ell}' \, \left[ F_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'} (q^2\gamma_\mu - \not q q_\mu) P_L \, + \, G_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'} i\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu m_\ell P_R \right] \, \ell \\ \mathcal{T}_{\mu}^{\ell\ell'Z} &= \, \frac{g_w \alpha_w}{8\pi c_W} \, \overline{\ell}' \gamma_\mu P_L \ell \, F_Z^{\ell'\ell} \\ \mathcal{T}_{box}^{\ell\ell'\ell_1\ell_2} &= \, -\frac{\alpha_w^2}{4M_W^2} \, F_{box}^{\ell\ell'\ell_1\ell_2} \, \overline{\ell}' \gamma_\mu P_L \ell \overline{\ell}_1 \gamma^\mu P_L \ell_2 \\ \mathcal{T}_{box}^{\ell\ell'qq} &= \, -\frac{\alpha_w^2}{4M_W^2} \, F_{box}^{\ell\ell'qq} \, \overline{\ell}' \gamma_\mu P_L \ell \overline{q} \gamma^\mu P_L q \, , \qquad q \, = \, u, d \end{split}$$

### **Photon Form Factors:**

[A. Ilakovac and A.P., PRD80 (2009) 091902]

$$egin{array}{rcl} (F_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'})^N &=& rac{\Omega_{\ell\ell'}}{6s_eta^2}\,\lnrac{m_N^2}{M_W^2}, \ (F_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'})^{ ilde N} &=& rac{\Omega_{\ell\ell'}}{3s_eta^2}\,\lnrac{m_N^2}{ ilde m_h^2}, \end{array}$$

$$egin{aligned} &(G_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'})^N &=& -\Omega_{\ell\ell'} \, \left(rac{1}{6s_{eta}^2} + rac{5}{6}
ight) \ &(G_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'})^{ ilde N} &=& \Omega_{\ell\ell'} \, \left(rac{1}{6s_{eta}^2} + f
ight) \end{aligned}$$

#### **Z-Boson and Box Form Factors:**

#### [A. Ilakovac and A.P., NPB437 (1995) 491; PRD80 (2009) 091902]

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$$egin{aligned} (F_Z^{\ell\ell'})^N &= - rac{3\Omega_{\ell\ell'}}{2} \ln rac{m_N^2}{M_W^2} - rac{\Omega_{\ell\ell'}^2}{2s_eta^2} rac{m_N^2}{M_W^2}, \ (F_Z^{\ell\ell'})^{ ilde N} &= rac{\Omega_{\ell\ell'}}{2} \, \ln rac{m_N^2}{ ilde m_1^2} + rac{\Omega_{\ell\ell'}^2}{4s_eta^2} rac{m_N^2}{M_W^2} \, \ln rac{m_N^2}{ ilde m_1^2}, \end{aligned}$$

$$(F_{box}^{\ell\ell'\ell_1\ell_2})^N = -\Omega_{\ell\ell'}\delta_{\ell_2\ell_1} - \Omega_{\ell\ell_1}\delta_{\ell_2\ell'} + rac{1}{4s_{eta}^4}\left(\Omega_{\ell\ell'}\Omega_{\ell_2\ell_1} + \Omega_{\ell\ell_1}\Omega_{\ell_2\ell'}
ight)rac{m_N^2}{M_W^2}$$

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$$(F_{box}^{\ell\ell' uu})^{N} = -4(F_{box}^{\ell\ell' dd})^{N} = 4 \Omega_{e\mu}$$
  
$$(F_{box}^{\ell\ell' uu})^{\tilde{N}} = -\frac{4\tilde{m}_{W}^{2}}{\tilde{M}_{Q}^{2}} (F_{box}^{\ell\ell' dd})^{\tilde{N}} = \frac{2M_{W}^{2}\tilde{m}_{W}^{2}}{\tilde{M}_{Q}^{4}} \Omega_{e\mu}$$

### **REMARKS**:

### - SUSY Limit:

 $ilde{m}_W^2, \ ilde{m}_h^2, \ ilde{m}_{1,2}^2, \ ilde{m}_2^2, \ ilde{m}^2 \longrightarrow M_W^2 \ , \qquad t_eta \ \stackrel{ ext{SL}}{ o} \ 1 \ , \qquad \mu \ \stackrel{ ext{SL}}{ o} \ 0$ 

- Non-Renormalization of the SUSY Dipole Operator:

[S. Ferrara, E. Remiddi, PLB53 (1974) 347]

$$G_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'} = (G_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'})^N + (G_{\gamma}^{\ell\ell'})^{\tilde{N}} \stackrel{\mathrm{SL}}{
ightarrow} 0$$

- Positive Interference for **Box Form Factors**
- SUSY Enhancement in Z-Boson Form Factor through

$$rac{m_N^2}{M_W^2} {
m ln} rac{m_N^2}{ ilde{m}_1^2}$$

#### • Numerical Estimates



[A. Ilakovac and A.P., PRD80 (2009) 091902]

$$an eta = 3$$
  
 $ilde{M}_Q = M_{ ilde{
u}} = -\mu = 200 \; {
m GeV}$   
 $M_{ ilde{W}} = 100 \; {
m GeV}$   
 $oldsymbol{\Omega}_{\mu e} = oldsymbol{\Omega}_{ee} = oldsymbol{\Omega}_{\mu \mu}$ , other  $oldsymbol{\Omega}_{\ell \ell'} = 0$ 

**Upper Bounds:** 

$$B(\mu^{-} \to e^{-}\gamma) < 1.2 \times 10^{-11} [1] < 1 \times 10^{-13} [2] B(\mu^{-} \to e^{-}e^{-}e^{+}) < 1 \times 10^{-12} [1] R_{\mu e}^{Ti} < 4.3 \times 10^{-12} [3] < 1 \times 10^{-18} [4] R_{\mu e}^{Au} < 7 \times 10^{-13} [5]$$

[1] Amsler, PLB 667 (2008) 1
 [2] Ritt, NPBPS 162 (2006) 279
 [3] Dohmen, PLB 317 (1993) 631
 [4] Kuno, NPBPS 149 (2005) 376

[5] Bertl, EPJC 47 (2006) 337

**SLFV** in the  $\tau$  Sector:

$$\mathbf{\Omega}_{ au e} = \mathbf{\Omega}_{ee} = \mathbf{\Omega}_{ au au}$$
, other  $\mathbf{\Omega}_{\ell\ell'} = 0$ 

[A. Ilakovac and A.P., PRD80 (2009) 091902]



**Upper Bounds:** [C. Amsler et al., PLB 667 (2008) 1]  $B(\tau^- \to e^- \gamma) < 1.1 \times 10^{-7}$   $B(\tau^- \to e^- e^- e^+) < 3.6 \times 10^{-8}$  $B(\tau^- \to e^- \mu^- \mu^+) < 3.7 \times 10^{-8}$ 

### • Conclusions

- SLFV is a new quantum-mechanical mechanism for LFV, within low-scale SUSY seesaw models with approximate flavour symmetries.
- SLFV is independent of the flavour structure of the soft SUSY sector.
- SLFV becomes dominant in non-photonic charged lepton decays, e.g.  $\mu \rightarrow eee$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow eee$ ,  $\mu \rightarrow e$  conversion . . .
- Heavy sector of low-scale seesaw models with large  $\nu$ -Yukawa couplings is potentially testable at the LHC. [A.P., ZPC55 (1992) 275;

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• Further theoretical studies are required to explore the full range of SLFV implications.