

EDMs in Two Higgs Doublet Models

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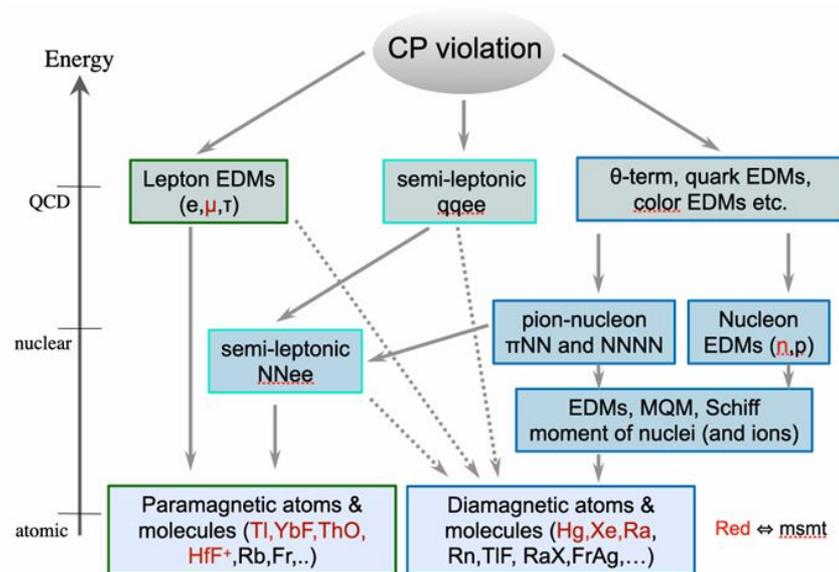
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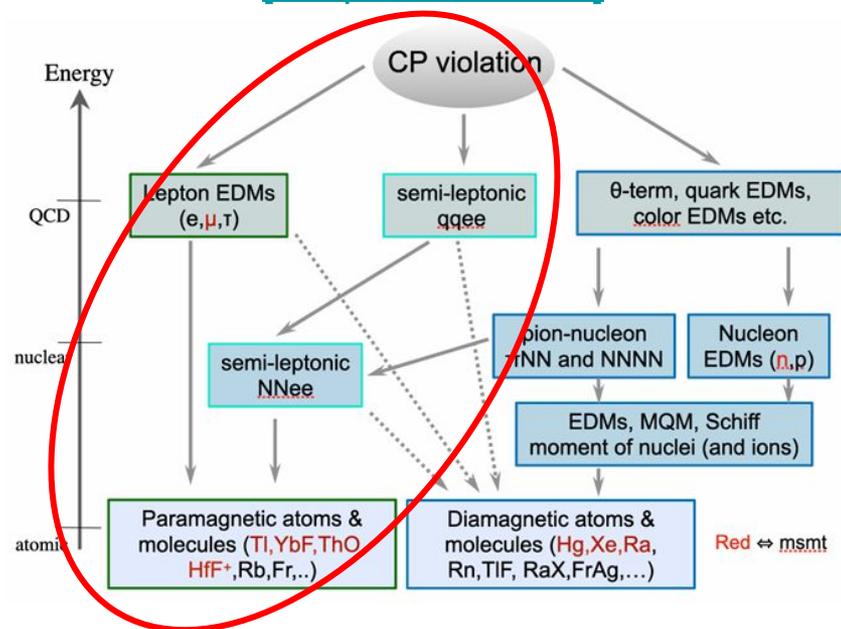


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Electron EDM

The **electron EDM** (eEDM) can be defined as the coefficient of the effective operator [\[Pospelov, Ritz, '05\]](#):

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EDM}} = -\frac{i}{2}d_e(\bar{e}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\gamma_5 e)F_{\mu\nu}$$

- ◆ High current experimental sensitivity for the eEDM [\[JILA '23\]](#):

$$|d_e^{\text{exp}}| < 4.1 \times 10^{-30} e \text{ cm (90\% C.L.)}$$

Using HfF⁺ molecular ions

Electron EDM

Usually, contributions to the eEDM are highly suppressed:

- ◆ In the Standard Model (SM), taking into account hadronic effects [\[Yamaguchi, Yamanaka '20\]](#):

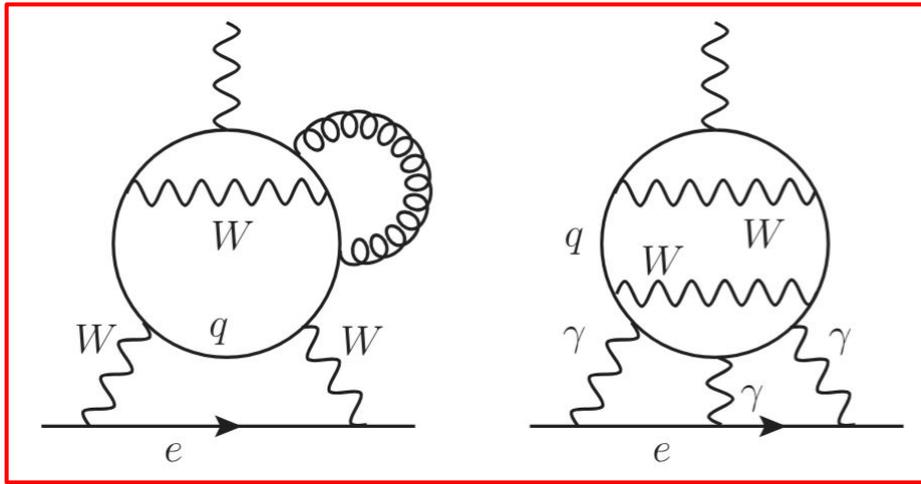
$$d_e^{SM} = 5.8 \times 10^{-40} \text{ e cm} \quad \boxed{\sim 70\% \text{ theoretical uncertainty}}$$

- ◆ Assuming that neutrinos are **Majorana particles**, at two-loop order (highly fine-tuned) [\[Archambault, Czarnecki, Pospelov '04\]](#):

$$d_e \sim 10^{-33} \text{ e cm}$$

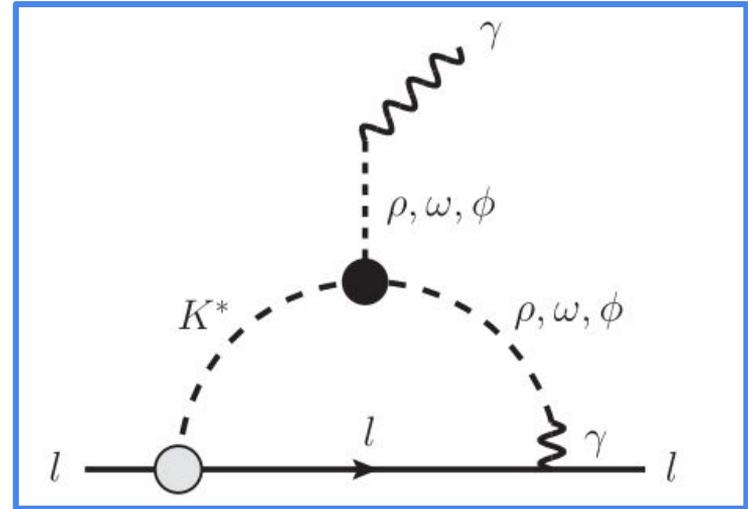
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4- and 5-loop SM contributions
(CPV comes from CKM)



[Pospelov, Ritz '13]

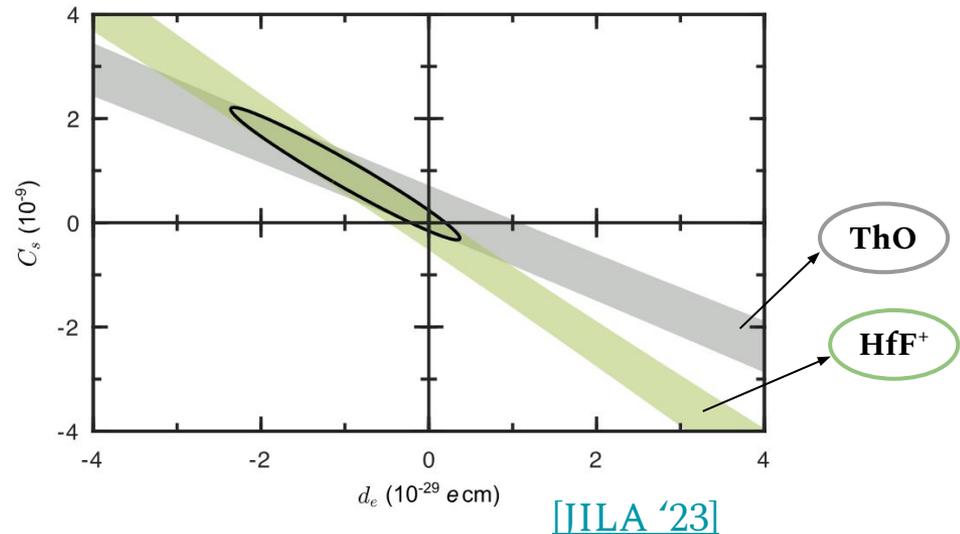
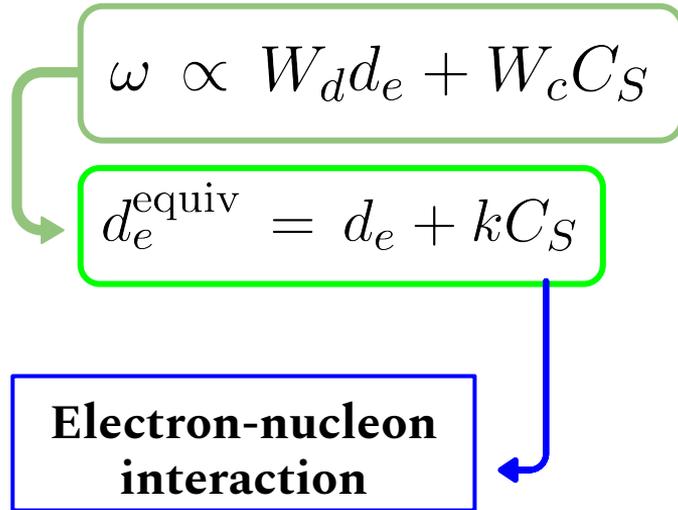
Long-distance
contribution



[Yamaguchi, Yamanaka '20]

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The bounds on the **eEDM** are obtained from the measurement of an angular frequency in diatomic molecules, which is not only sensitive to d_e :



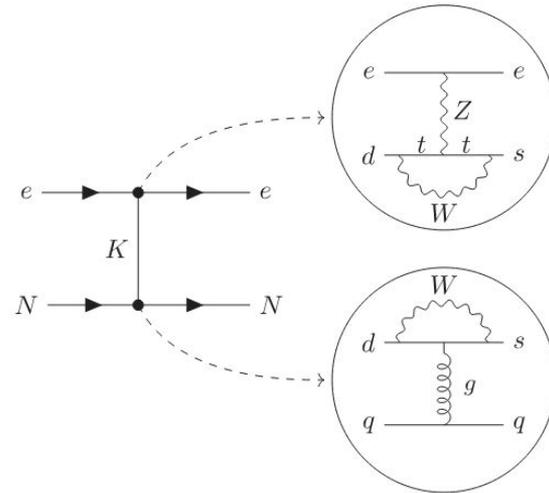
Electron-nucleon interactions

Contributions to electron-nucleon interactions in the SM:

- ◆ In the chiral limit, the **dominant** contribution involves the exchange of a Kaon.

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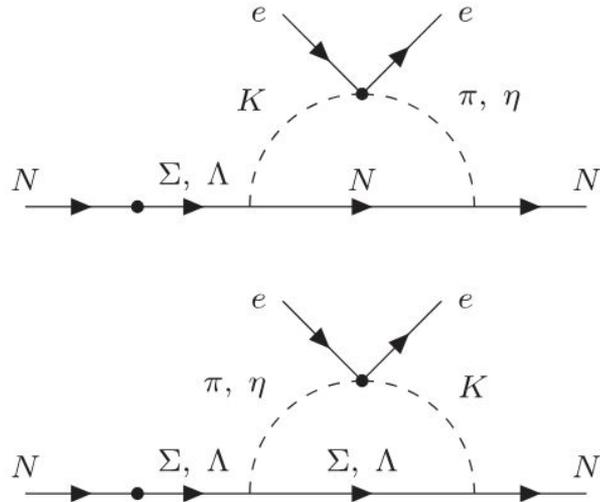
- ◆ At Next-to-Leading Order (NLO), baryon pole diagrams contribute to C_S .

$$C_S(\text{LO} + \text{NLO}) \simeq 6.9 \times 10^{-16}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_e^{\text{equiv}} \simeq 1.0 \times 10^{-35} \text{ e cm.}$$

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Equivalent eEDM measurements

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- ◆ EDM of paramagnetic atoms:

Atom	Current bound on equivalent eEDM
Tl	1.1×10^{-24} e cm
Cs	1.4×10^{-23} e cm

$$d_i = \alpha_{i,d_e} d_e + \alpha_{i,C_S} C_S + \dots$$

[\[Degenkolb et al. '24\]](#)

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ACME	ThO	1.1×10^{-29} e cm
Imperial College London	YbF	1.1×10^{-27} e cm

P and T-violating
frequency shift

[[Degenkolb et al. '24](#)]

$$\omega_i = \eta_{i,d_e}^{(m)} d_e + k_{i,C_S}^{(m)} C_S + \dots$$

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NL-eEDM	BaOH	1×10^{-30} e cm
EDM ³	BaF	1×10^{-33} e cm
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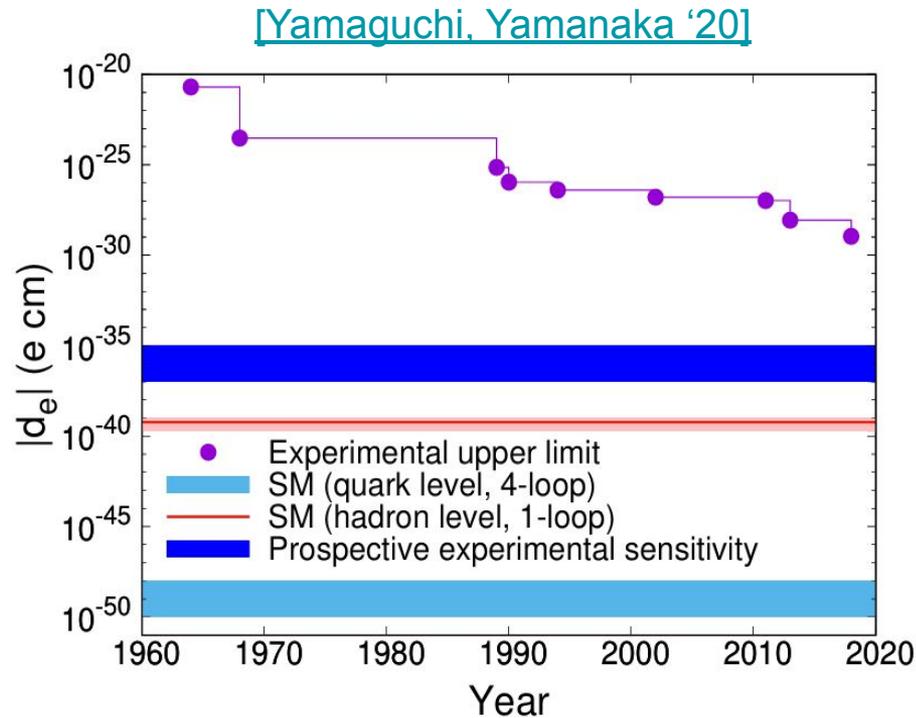
- ◆ Diamagnetic (closed-shell) systems → also sensitive to pion-nucleon interactions and nucleon EDMs:

Atom/Molecule	Current bound on equiv. eEDM
Hg	7.4×10^{-30} e cm
Xe	4.8×10^{-28} e cm
Yb	1.5×10^{-26} e cm
Ra	1.4×10^{-23} e cm
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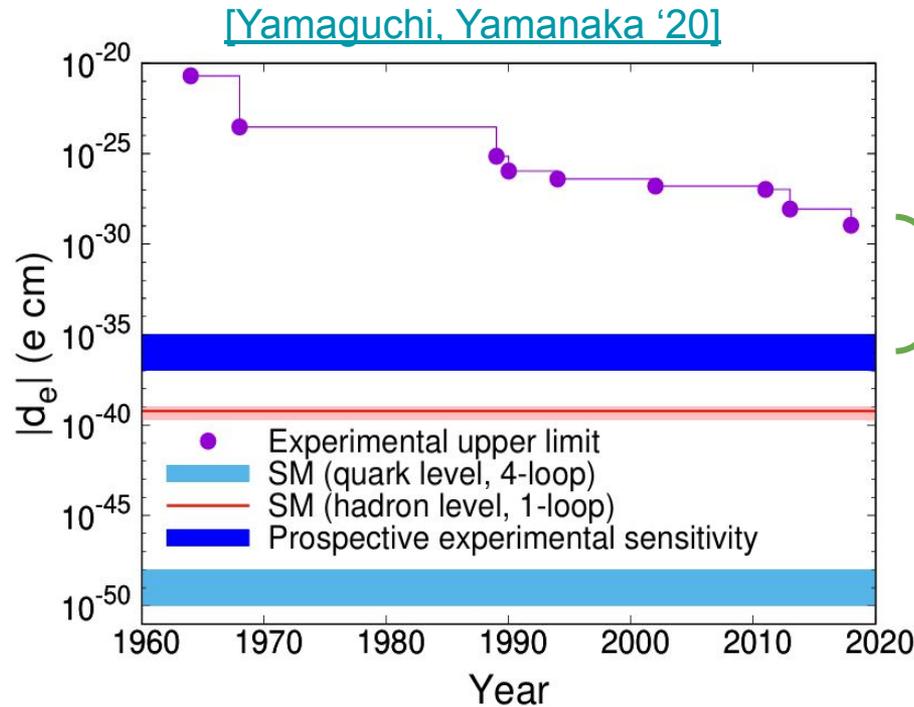
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$$k_{i,S} S_i = \sum_{c_j \in \{d_{n,p}, g_{\pi}^{(0,1,2)}\}} \alpha_{i,c_j} c_j$$

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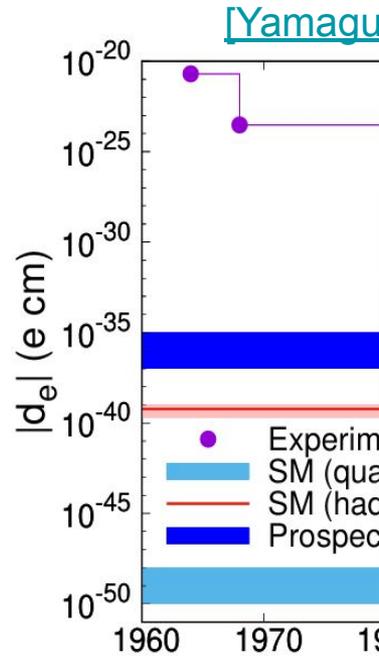
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Room for **New Physics (NP)**!!!

Additional sources of CPV through **complex phases** of the parameters of the NP model

Table-top “experiment”



Physics (NP)!!!

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2HDMs

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The diagram illustrates the decomposition of the Higgs doublets Φ_1 and Φ_2 into physical particles. The components of Φ_1 are $\sqrt{2} G^+$, $v + S_1 + i G^0$. The components of Φ_2 are $\sqrt{2} H^+$ and $S_2 + i S_3$. Arrows indicate the following assignments:

- v (from Φ_1) points to a box labeled "vev (246 GeV)".
- G^+ (from Φ_1) and G^0 (from Φ_1) point to a box labeled "Goldstone Bosons".
- S_1 (from Φ_1) and S_2 (from Φ_2) point to a box labeled "CP-even scalars".
- S_3 (from Φ_2) and H^+ (from Φ_2) point to a box labeled "CP-odd scalar".
- H^+ (from Φ_2) also points to a box labeled "Charged scalar".

2HDMs: Scalar Potential

Most general, CP-violating scalar potential:

$$V = \mu_1 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 + \mu_2 \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 + \left[\mu_3 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 + \text{h.c.} \right] + \frac{\lambda_1}{2} \left(\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 \right)^2 + \frac{\lambda_2}{2} \left(\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 \right)^2 + \lambda_3 \left(\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 \right) \left(\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 \right) \\ + \lambda_4 \left(\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 \right) \left(\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1 \right) + \left[\left(\frac{\lambda_5}{2} \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 + \lambda_6 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 + \lambda_7 \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 \right) \left(\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 \right) + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

- ◆ The neutral scalars will mix with each other and produce the **mass eigenstates**:

$$S_1, S_2, S_3 \quad \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} \quad H_j \in \{H_1, H_2, H_3\}$$

2HDMs: Flavour Sector

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In general, 2HDMs suffer from tree-level **Flavour Changing Neutral Currents** (FCNCs), which are tightly constrained experimentally.

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Alignment condition:

$$Y_u = \varsigma_u^* M_u \quad Y_{d,l} = \varsigma_{d,l} M_{d,l}$$

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- ◆ **Complex 2HDM:** imposition of a discrete \mathbb{Z}_2 **symmetry** \rightarrow it is possible to find a basis where only one of the doublets couples to a given kind of fermion: the **flavour alignment parameters** are real and dependent on each other.
 - Only sources of CPV: λ_5, λ_6 from the scalar potential (in the Higgs basis).

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Alternatively, the **Aligned 2HDM** (A2HDM) solves the issue of FCNCs by considering that the $\underline{\zeta}$ are **independent, complex parameters**, without assuming any additional symmetry [\[Pich, Tuzón '09\]](#).

- ◆ Thus, we have **new complex phases** in our model that can act as **CP-violating sources**.

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Different models have different flavour alignment parameters:

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Full eEDM computation in
[Altmannshofer et. al. '24](#)

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Generation-dependent
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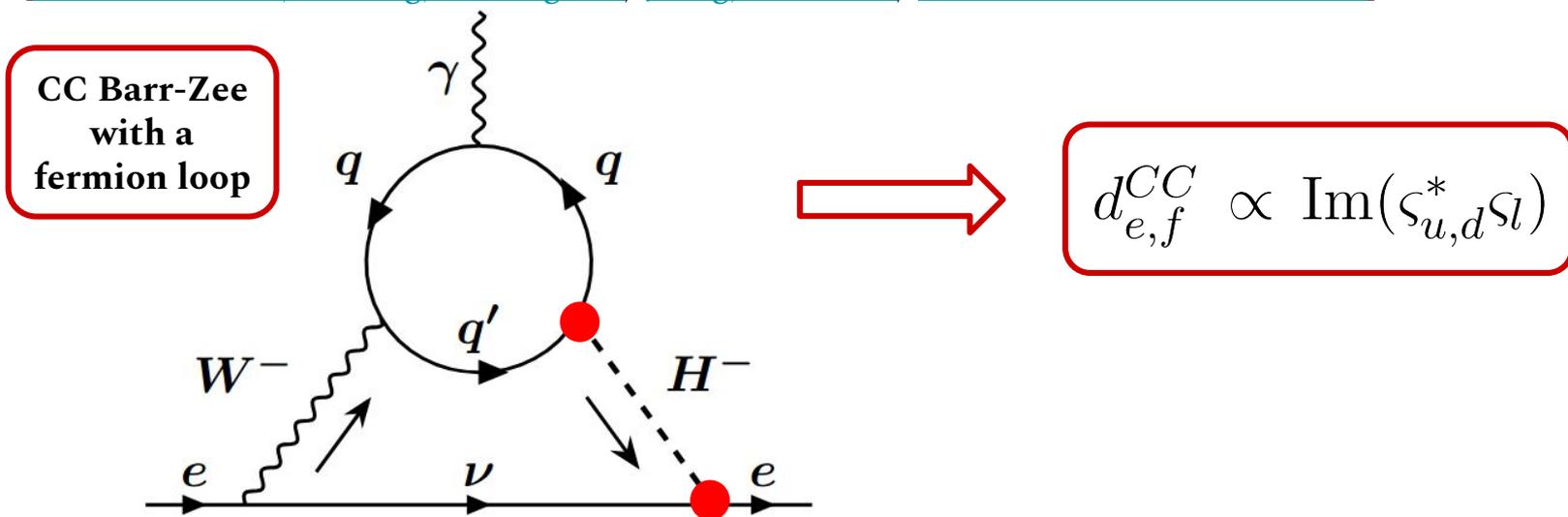
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Type I: } \varsigma_u = \varsigma_d = \varsigma_l = \cot \beta, \quad & \text{Type II: } \varsigma_u = -\frac{1}{\varsigma_d} = -\frac{1}{\varsigma_l} = \cot \beta, \quad \text{Inert: } \varsigma_u = \varsigma_d = \varsigma_l = 0, \\ \text{Type X: } \varsigma_u = \varsigma_d = -\frac{1}{\varsigma_l} = \cot \beta \quad & \text{and} \quad \text{Type Y: } \varsigma_u = -\frac{1}{\varsigma_d} = \varsigma_l = \cot \beta. \end{aligned}$$

[\[Karan, Miralles, Pich '23\]](#)

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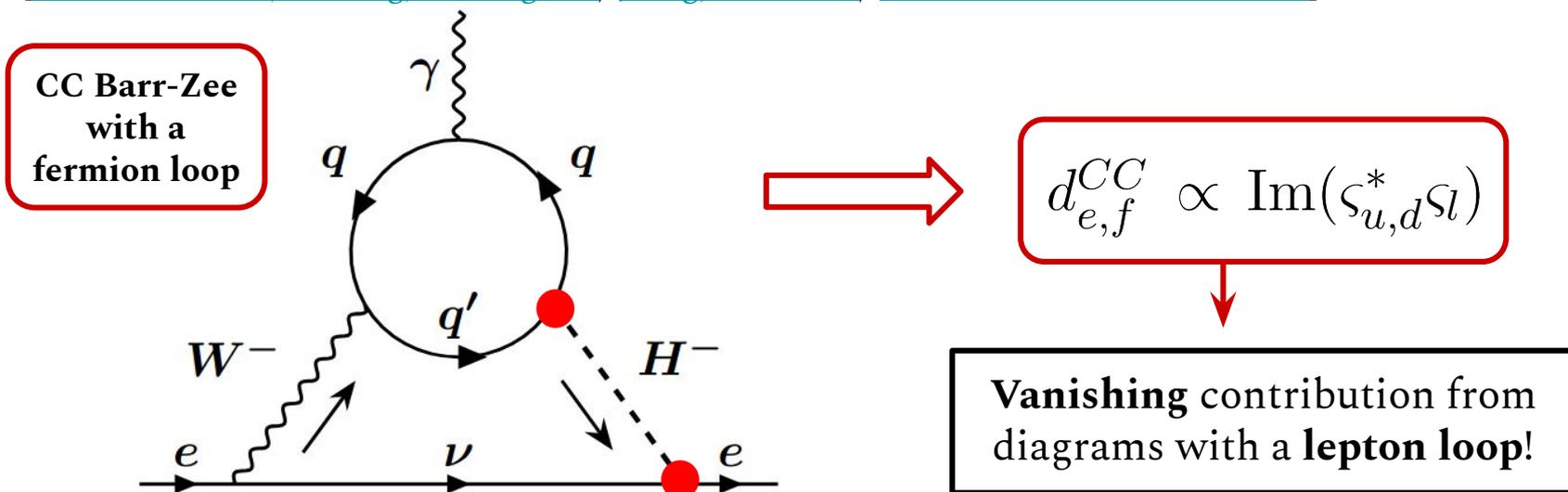
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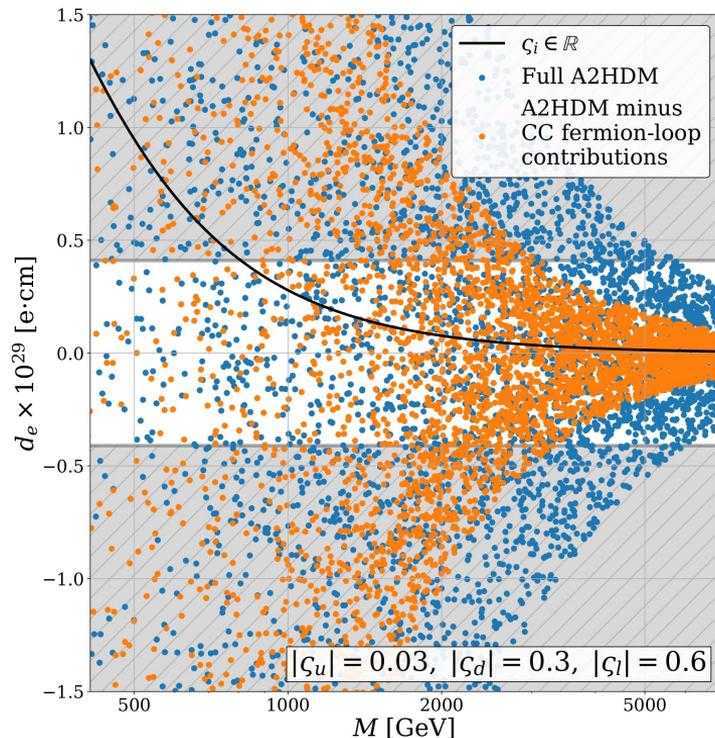
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- ◆ **Black line:** real alignment parameters ζ .
- ◆ **Orange points:** A2HDM minus CC Barr-Zee fermion-loop contributions.
- ◆ **Blue points:** full A2HDM.
- ◆ **Destructive interference** with complex ζ ,
→ satisfy the experimental constraints (grey bands) with lower values for M → motivated by **EW Baryogenesis** [[van de Vis, de Vries, Postma '25](#), [Enomoto, Kanemura, Mura '22](#)].

The Decoupling Limit

If the mass parameter of the second doublet Φ_2 becomes very large compared to the vev of Φ_1 , we get the *decoupling limit* of the 2HDM:

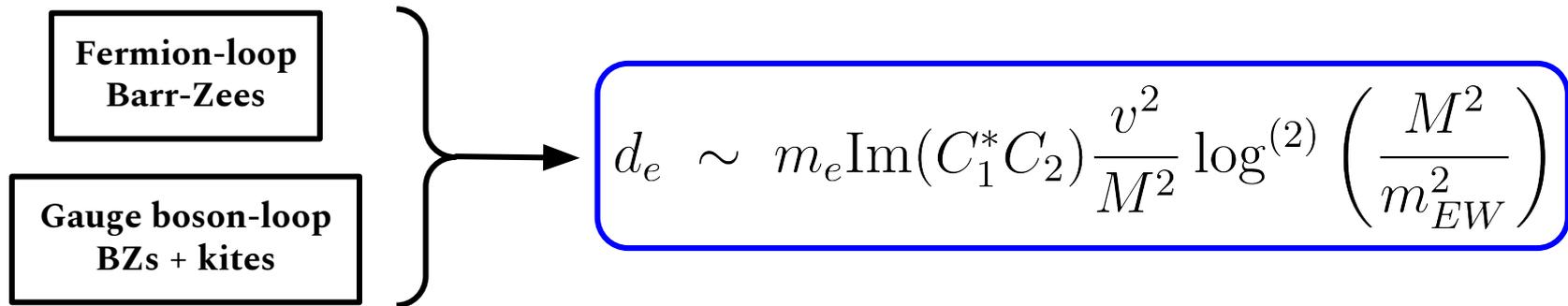
$$\sqrt{\mu_2} \gg v$$

- ◆ This condition means that the **scalars from the second doublet** will be **much heavier** than the SM Higgs boson:

$$M_{H^\pm}, M_H, M_A \approx M \gg m_h$$

The Decoupling Limit

It is possible to isolate the dominant **logarithmic** contributions to the eEDM:



- ◆ The logarithmic contributions from fermion-loop BZs are **exclusive** of the A2HDM: in \mathbb{Z}_2 -conserving 2HDMs they naturally vanish [\[Altmannshofer, Gori, Hamer, Patel '20\]](#).

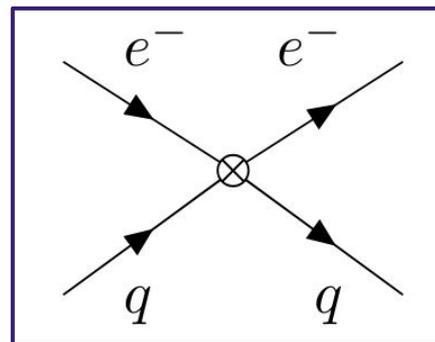
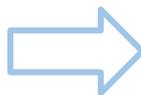
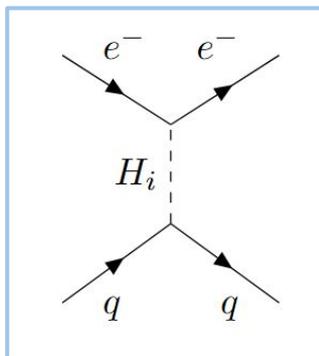
The SMEFT

The decoupling limit allows us to make an **Effective Field Theory** (EFT) description of the contributions to the eEDM and electron-nucleon interactions in the A2HDM → this contributions can be characterized by a set of **effective operators** of dimension higher than 4:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_i C_i(\mu) Q_i.$$

The SMEFT

These CP-violating **effective operators** are generated when the heavy scalars from A2HDM get integrated out \rightarrow matching at **tree-level**:



$$\frac{1}{v} \sum_{i,f} y_f^i H_i \bar{f} M_f \mathcal{P}_R f + \text{h.c.}$$

$$Q_{lequ}^{(1)} = (\bar{l}^j e) \epsilon_{jk} (\bar{q}^k u)$$

$$Q_{ledq} = (\bar{l}^j e) (\bar{d} q^j)$$

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$$\frac{d}{d \log \mu} C_i = \left(\frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \gamma_{ij}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{(4\pi)^4} \gamma_{ij}^{(2)} \right) C_j$$



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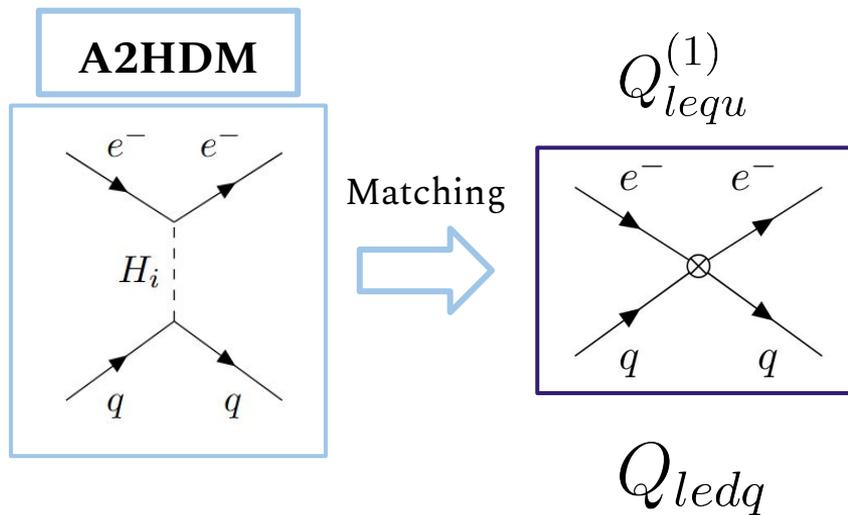
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- ◆ **Integrating** these equations between the scale of new physics (M) and the EW scale we can compute **logarithmic contributions** to the eEDM, which help us understand the leading contributions that we computed in the **Decoupling Limit**. [\[Panico, Pomarol, Riemann '18\]](#), [\[Vale Silva, Jäger, Leslie '20\]](#), [\[Altmannshofer et al. '20\]](#).

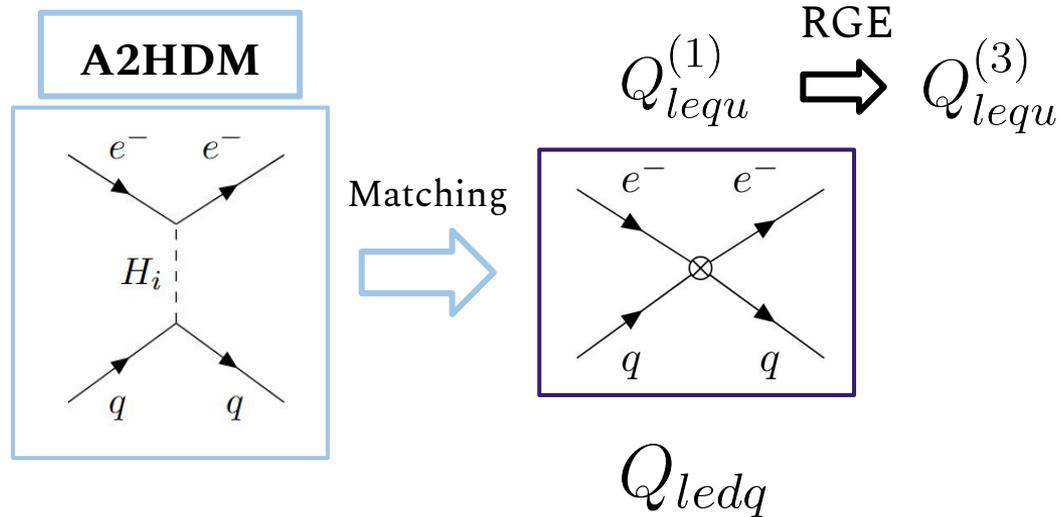
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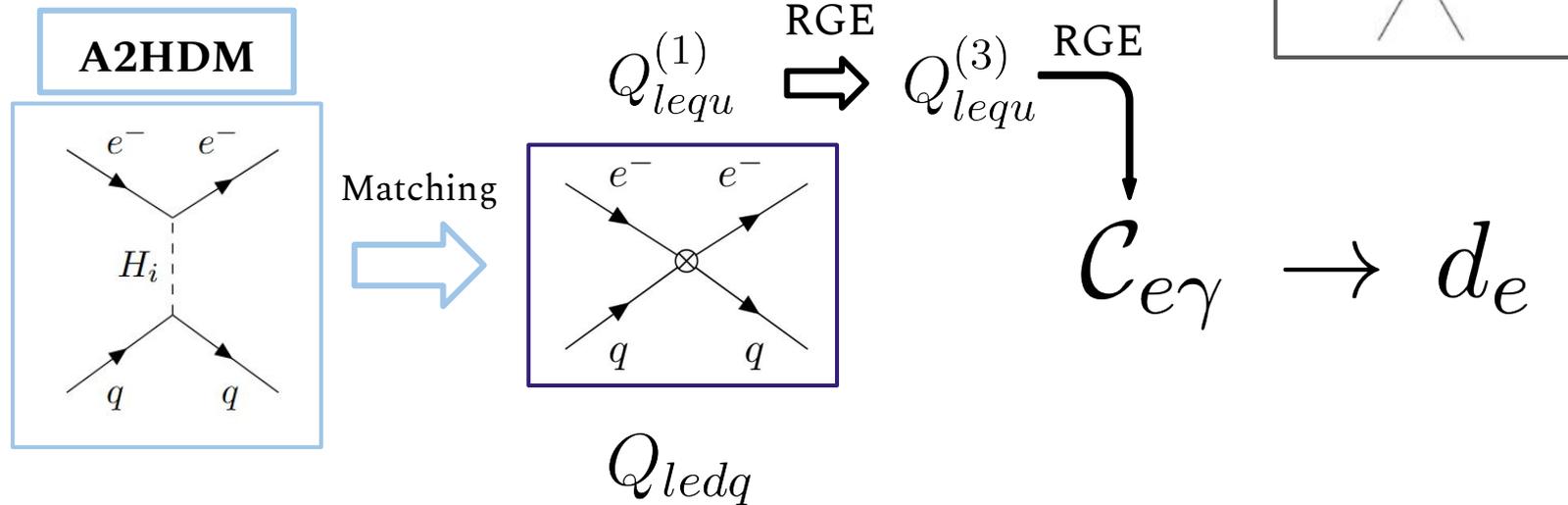
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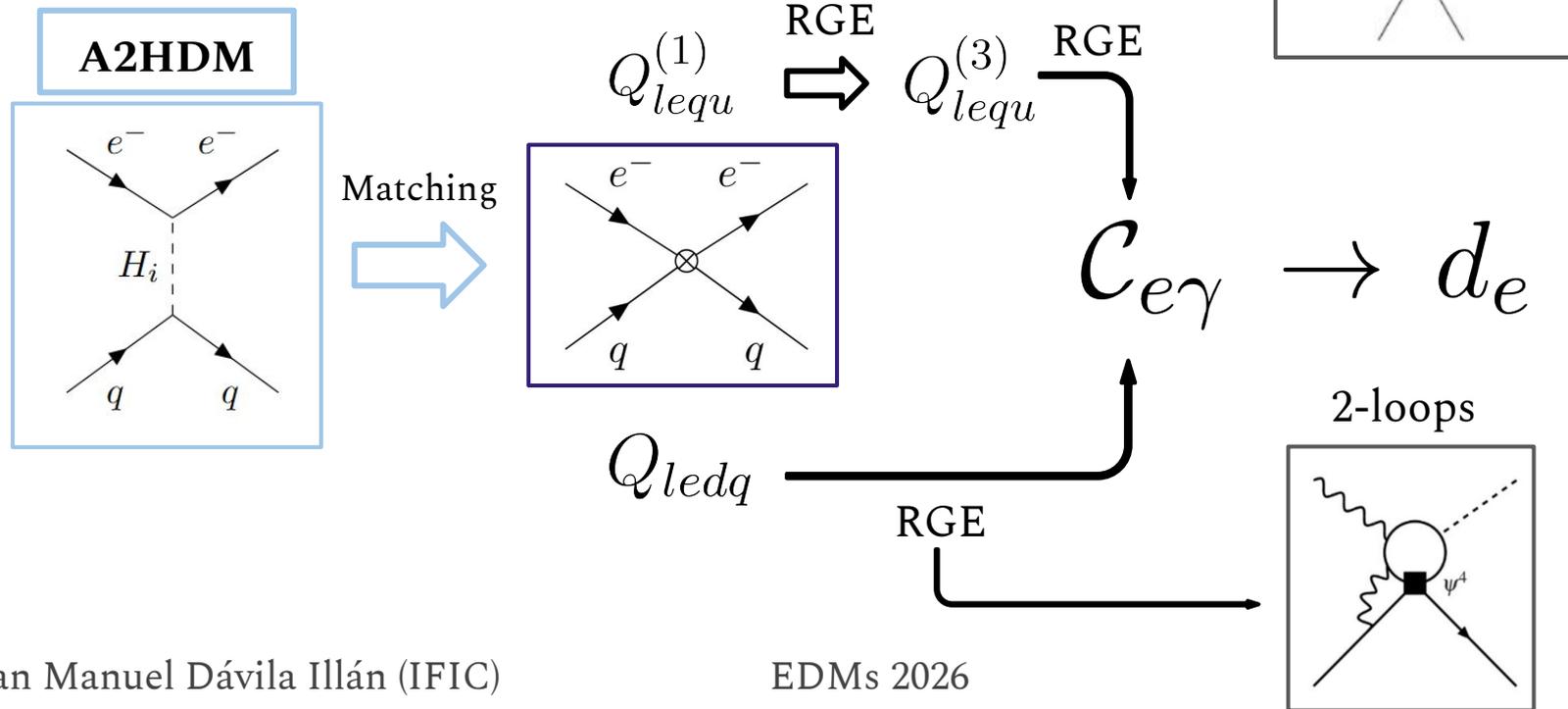
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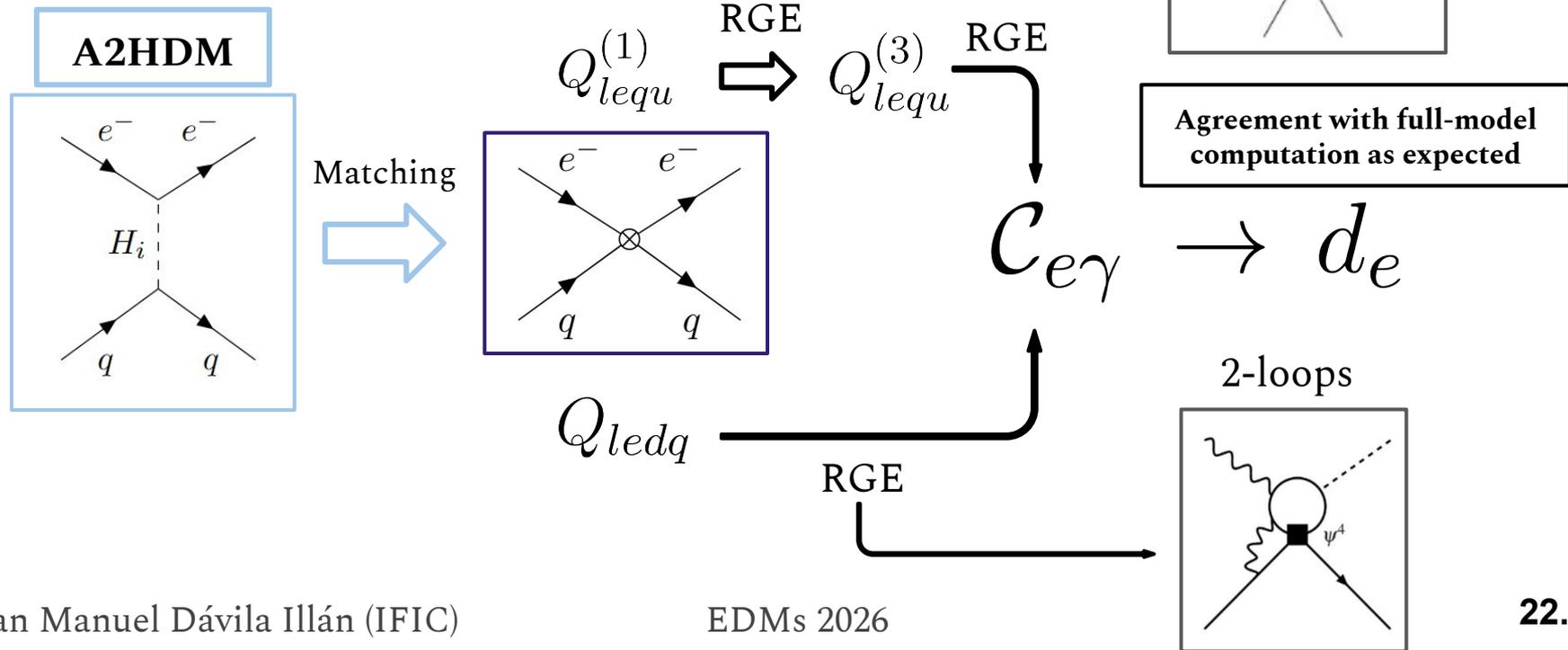
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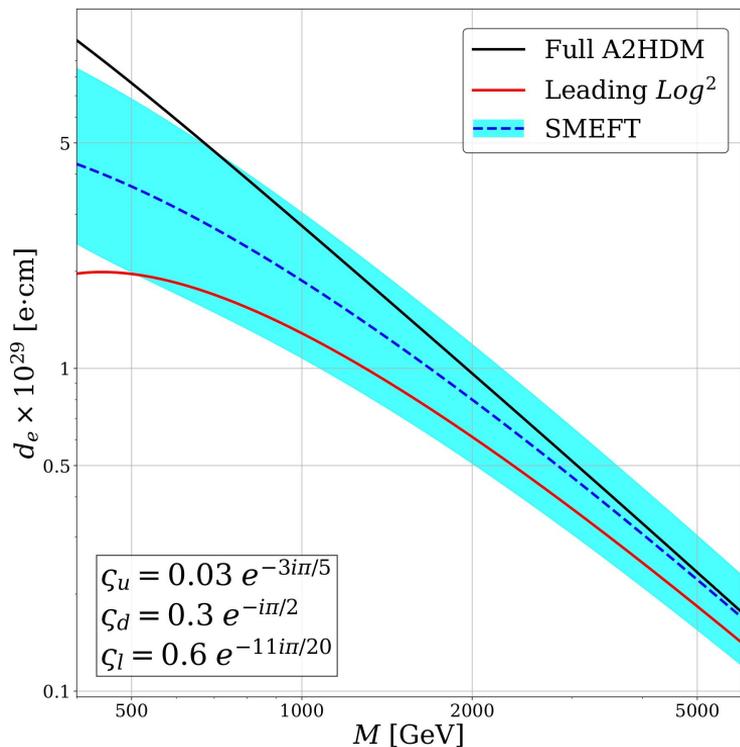


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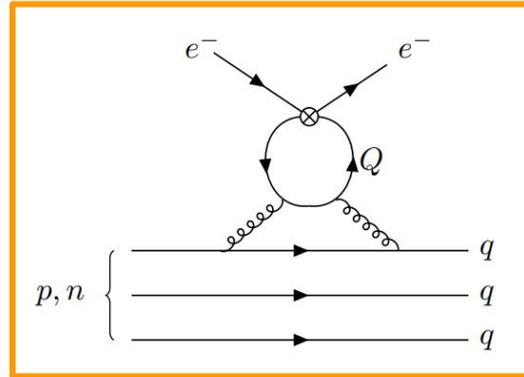


- ◆ **Black line:** full A2HDM
- ◆ **Red line:** only leading squared logarithm term \rightarrow dominates close to the decoupling limit.
- ◆ **Blue line:** all the previously discussed SMEFT logarithms.
- ◆ **Blue band:** variation of the NP scale.

Electron-nucleon interactions

CP-violating **electron-nucleon** interactions can be described by effective dimension-6 operators [\[Engel, Ramsey-Musolf, van Kolck '13\]](#):

$$\mathcal{L}_{eN} = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \bar{e} i \gamma_5 e \bar{N} \left[C_S^{(0)} + C_S^{(1)} \tau_3 \right] N + \bar{e} e \bar{N} i \gamma_5 \left[C_P^{(0)} + C_P^{(1)} \tau_3 \right] N \right\}$$

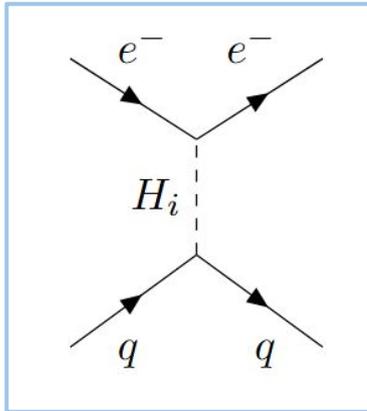


[\[Ardu, Valori '25\]](#)

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Light (u, d, s) and **heavy** (c, b, t) quarks contribute to electron-nucleon interactions in different ways at low energies [\[Ardu, Valori '25\]](#):

Light Quarks



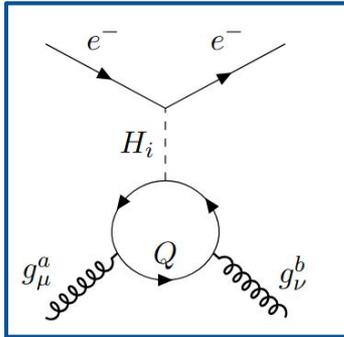
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Electron-nucleon interactions

Light (u, d, s) and **heavy** (c, b, t) quarks contribute to electron-nucleon interactions in different ways at low energies [\[Ardu, Valori '25\]](#):

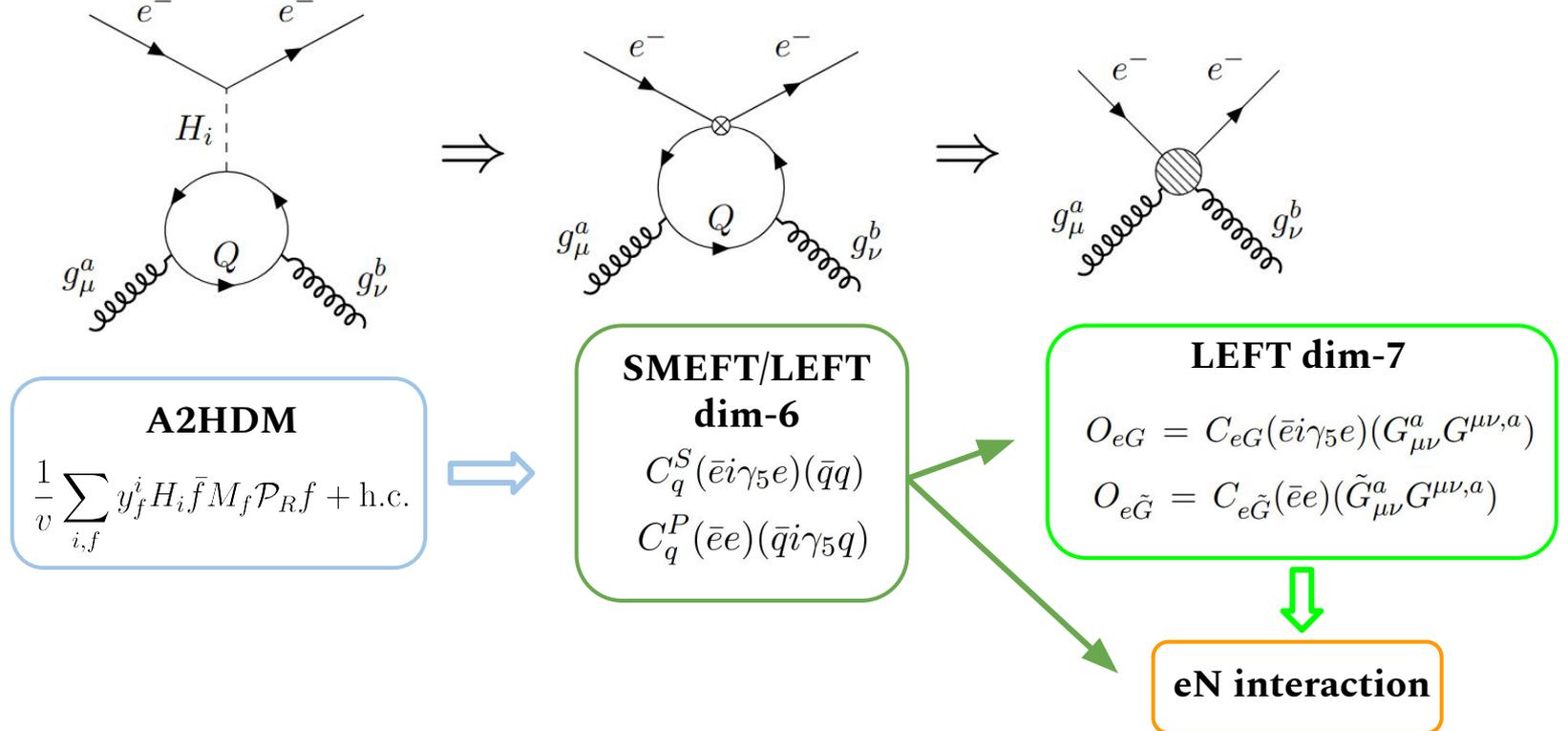
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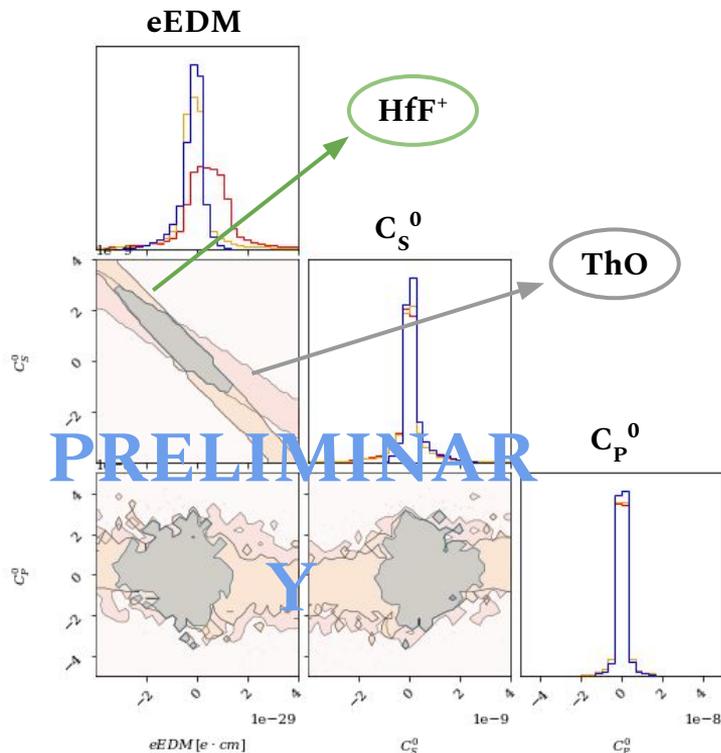
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$$\langle N | \bar{Q} i \gamma_5 Q | N \rangle \propto \langle N | G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu} | N \rangle \propto \bar{\psi}_N i \gamma_5 \psi_N$$

Electron-nucleon interactions



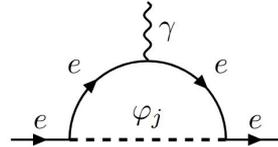
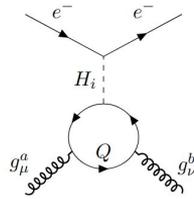
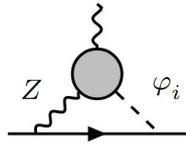
Constraints from EDMs



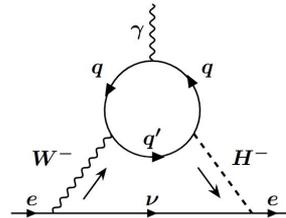
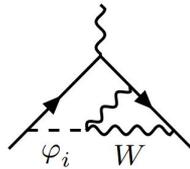
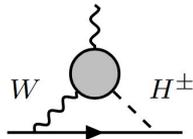
- ◆ Estimates on **correlation plots** in A2HDM between different parameters.
- ◆ Points satisfy CP-conserving bounds.
- ◆ **Tight constraints** on the eEDM and C_S from combined paramagnetic systems EDM data.
- ◆ Need to include constraints from **additional systems** (e.g. diamagnetic atoms).
- ◆ Ongoing: better constraints on the **down-type** alignment parameter

Summary

- ◆ **eEDM** and **electron-nucleon** interactions → **powerful probes** of the amount of **violation of CP** symmetry in nature in the SM and beyond.
- ◆ The **Aligned 2HDM** contains additional **complex phases** that allow for **new contributions** to the electron-EDM which are **absent** in \mathbb{Z}_2 -**symmetric** 2HDMs, while still avoiding FCNCs.
- ◆ **Destructive interference** among contributions → satisfy experimental constraints with lower values for the scalar masses.
- ◆ **Constrained** parameter space from EDM bounds.
- ◆ **Outlook** → Account of hadronic uncertainties, incorporate constraints from diamagnetic systems, neutron EDM. **Stay tuned!!**



THANKS!!



BACKUP

Benchmark (eEDM plots)

Parameter	Benchmark Value
λ_3	0.02
λ_4	0.04
λ_7	0.03
$\text{Re}(\lambda_5)$	0.05
$\text{Re}(\lambda_6)$	-0.05
$\text{Im}(\lambda_6)$	0.01
α_3	$\pi/6$

Benchmark values are consistent with the global fit performed in [\[Karan, Miralles, Pich '23\]](#).

The value of the mass M corresponds to the mass of the charged scalar, which is related to the mass parameter μ_2 .

CP-conserving constraints (eEDM-C_s plots)

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Marginalized individual results

Masses up to 1 TeV

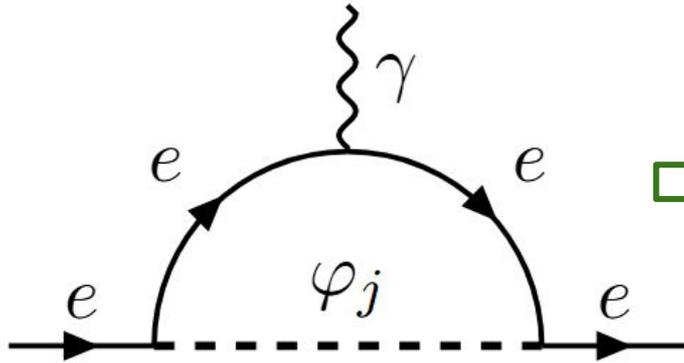
$M_{H^\pm} \geq 390 \text{ GeV}$	$M_H \geq 410 \text{ GeV}$	$M_A \geq 370 \text{ GeV}$
$\lambda_2: 3.2 \pm 1.9$	$\lambda_3: 5.9 \pm 3.5$	$\lambda_7: 0.0 \pm 1.1$
$\tilde{\alpha}: (0.05 \pm 21.0) \times 10^{-3}$	$\varsigma_u: 0.006 \pm 0.257$	$\varsigma_d: 0.12 \pm 4.12$
		$\varsigma_l: -0.39 \pm 11.69$

Masses up to 1.5 TeV

$M_{H^\pm} \geq 480 \text{ GeV}$	$M_H \geq 490 \text{ GeV}$	$M_A \geq 480 \text{ GeV}$
$\lambda_2: 3.2 \pm 1.9$	$\lambda_3: 5.9 \pm 3.8$	$\lambda_7: 0.0 \pm 1.2$
$\tilde{\alpha}: (0.8 \pm 16.8) \times 10^{-3}$	$\varsigma_u: -0.011 \pm 0.407$	$\varsigma_d: -0.096 \pm 6.22$
		$\varsigma_l: -1.18 \pm 17.54$

The eEDM in the A2HDM

In the A2HDM, the eEDM gets a contribution at **1-loop order**:



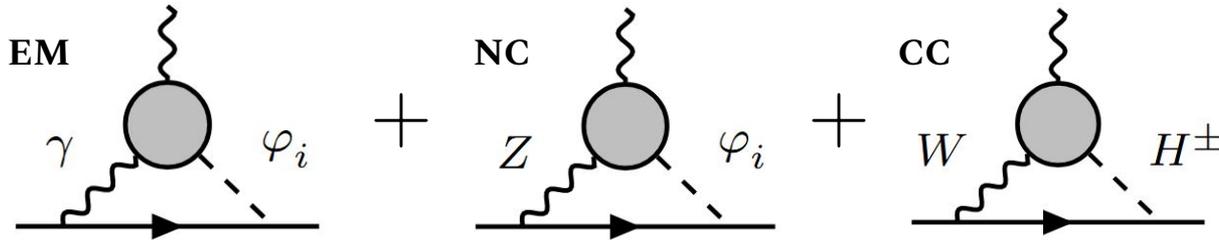
$$d_e^{1\text{-loop}} \propto G_F m_e (m_e^2 / M_{\varphi_i}^2)$$

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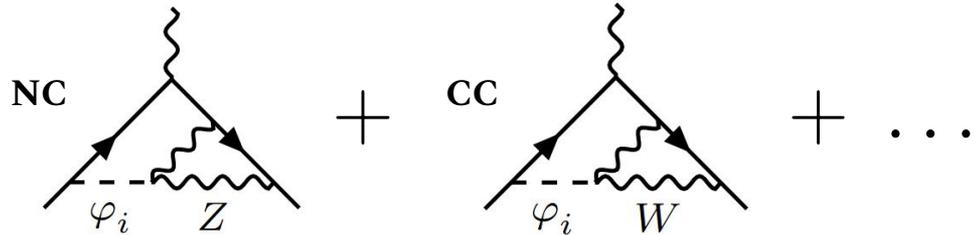
◆ These contributions can be classified as **Barr-Zee**:



Internal Loop:

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◆ Or “**kite**” diagrams:

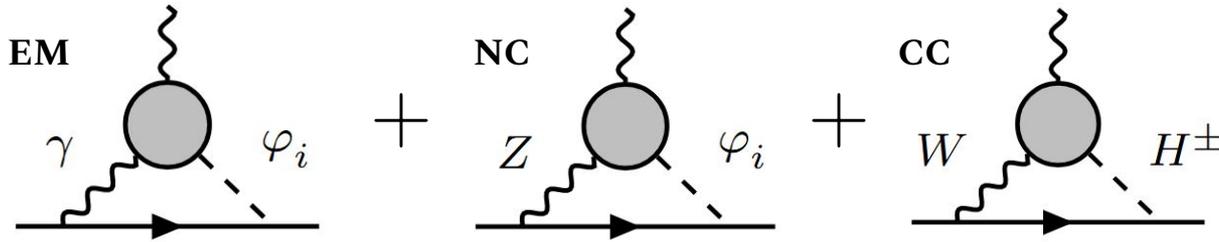


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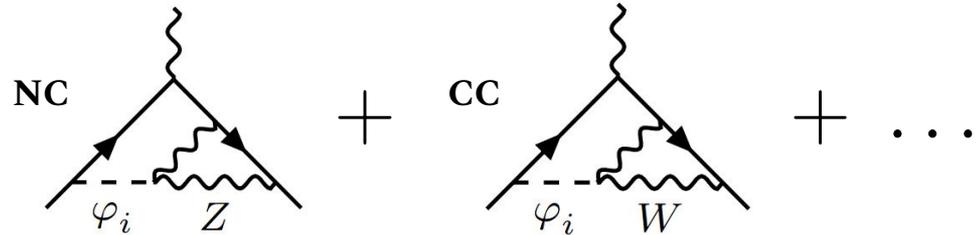
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Nucleon form factors

Scalar form factors connecting quark currents to nucleon currents:

$$g_S^{(0)} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma_{\pi N}}{m_{ud}}, \quad g_S^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2} g_S^{u-d}, \quad g_S^s = \frac{\sigma_s}{m_s}$$

	$\sigma_{\pi N}$ (MeV)	g_S^{u-d}	σ_s (MeV)
$N_f = 2+1$	42.2(2.4)	1.085(114)	44.9(6.4)
$N_f = 2+1+1$	60.9(6.5)	1.083(69)	41.0(8.8)

[\[FLAG '25\]](#)

Nucleon form factors

Axial form factors, axial currents related to pseudoscalar currents:

$$\langle N | J_{\mu 5} | N \rangle = g_A^{(0)} \langle N | \bar{N} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 N | N \rangle \quad \langle N | \partial^\mu J_{\mu 5} | N \rangle = 2m_N g_A^{(0)} \langle N | \bar{N} i \gamma_5 N | N \rangle$$

$$g_A^{u,(0)} = \frac{1}{2}(g_A^u + g_A^d) = g_A^{d,(0)},$$

$$g_A^{u,(1)} = \frac{1}{2}g_A^{u-d} = -g_A^{d,(1)},$$

$$g_A^{s,(0)} = g_A^s,$$

$$g_A^{s,(1)} = 0.$$

	g_A^u	g_A^d	g_A^s	g_A^{u-d}
$N_f = 2+1$	0.847(18)(32)	-0.407(16)(18)	-0.035(6)(7)	1.265(20)
$N_f = 2+1+1$	0.777(25)(30)	-0.438(18)(30)	-0.053(8)	1.263(10)

[\[FLAG '25\]](#)