

NSI at Neutrino Factories: correlations & degeneracies

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Near Detectors:

S. Antusch *et al*,
arXiv:1005.0756 [hep-ph]
MINSIS workshop report,
arXiv:1009.0476 [hep-ph]

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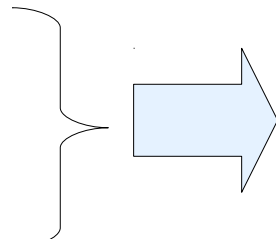
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- Up to now, no correlations studied in literature
 - MonteCUBES allows to introduce all parameters at once (M.Blennow, E. Fernández-Martínez; [arXiv:0903.3985](https://arxiv.org/abs/0903.3985) [hep-ph])

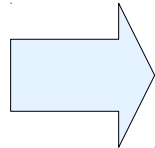
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But the NF is multi-channel!

So we will study a 3rd setup:

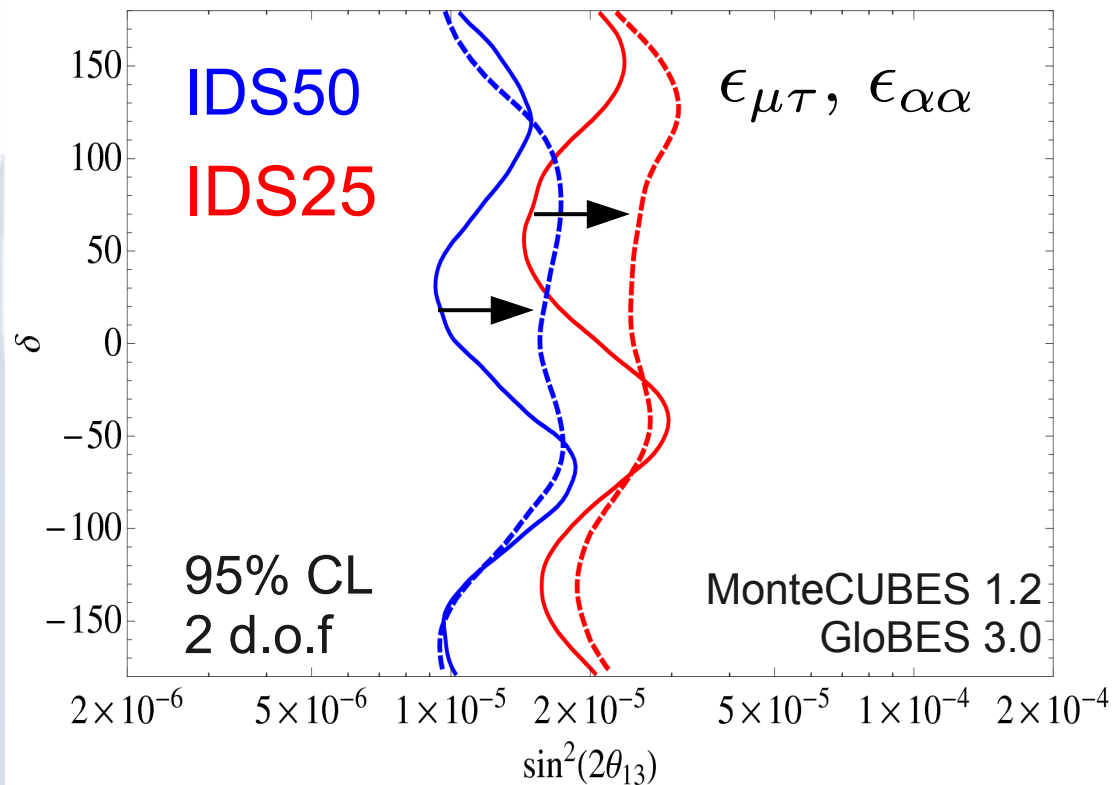
- 1B50:
 - 50 GeV muons:
 - A composite detector @ 4000 km:
 - 50 kton MIND to detect muons;
 - 4 kton MECC to detect taus ([arXiv:hep-ph/0305185](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0305185)).
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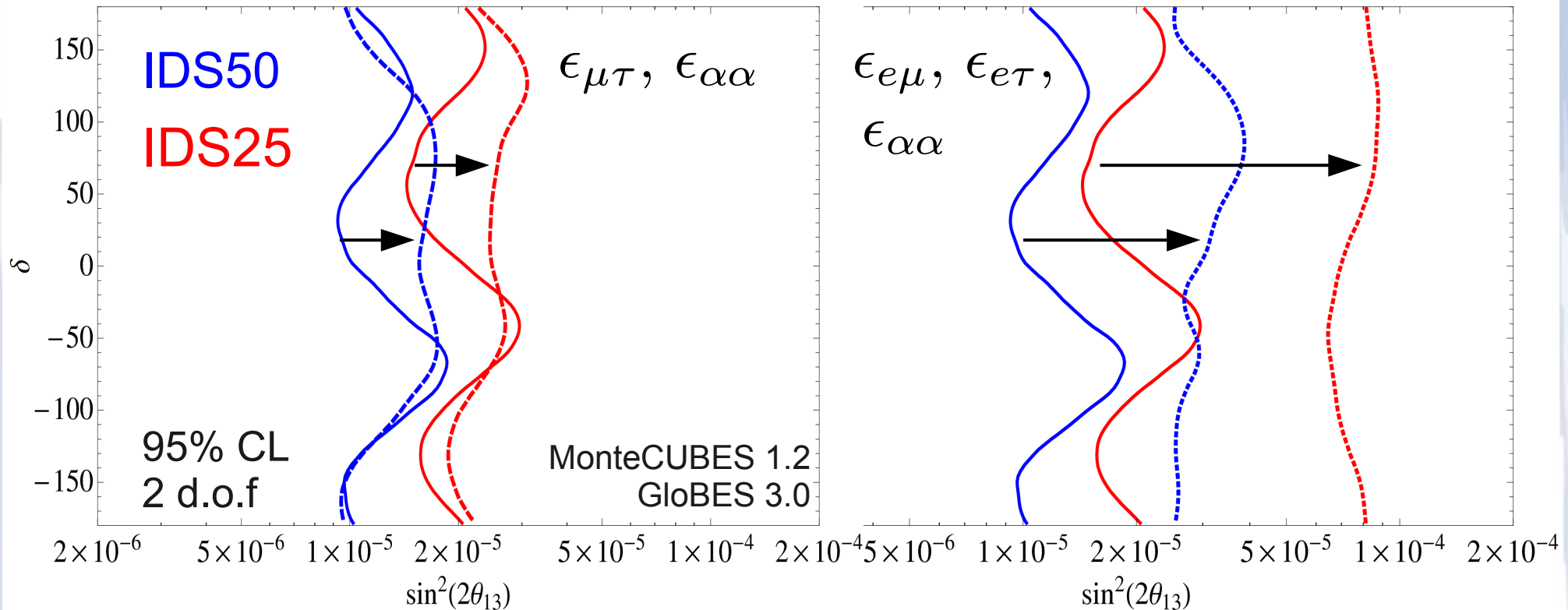
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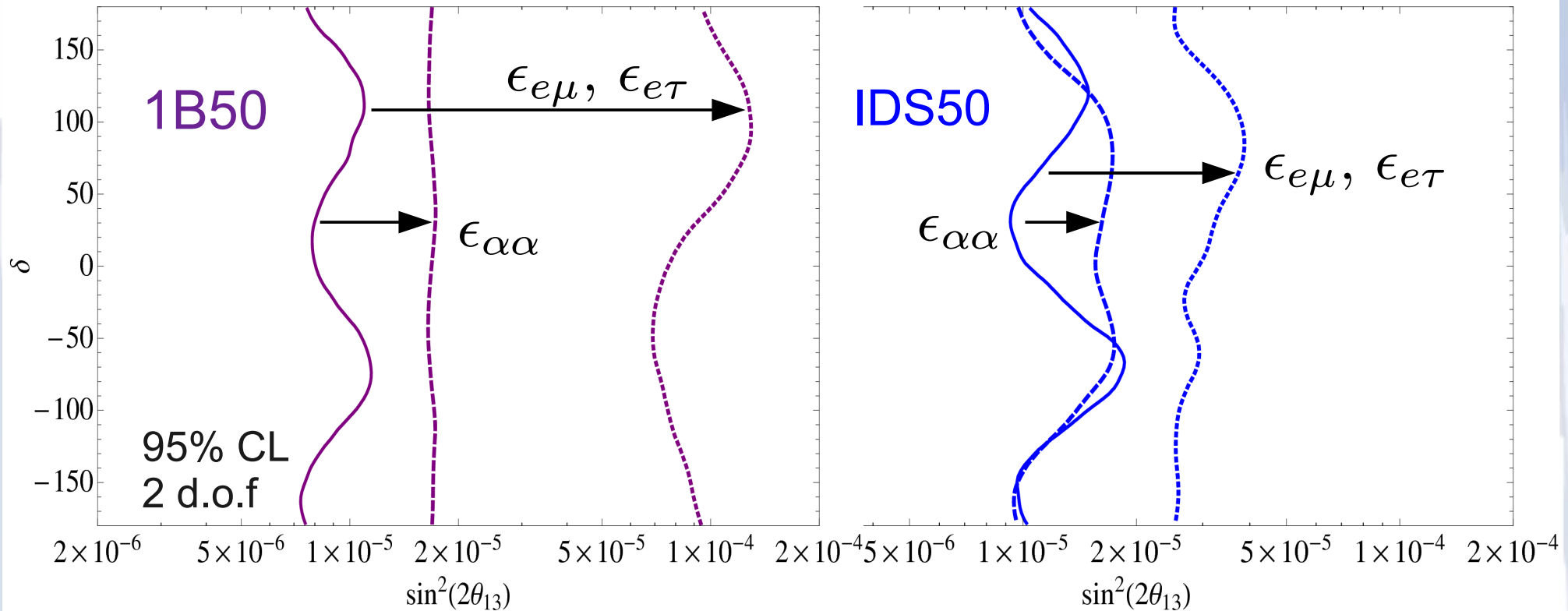


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Strong correlation due to
 simultaneous appearance in
 golden channel

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Magic Baseline performs better in solving degeneracies

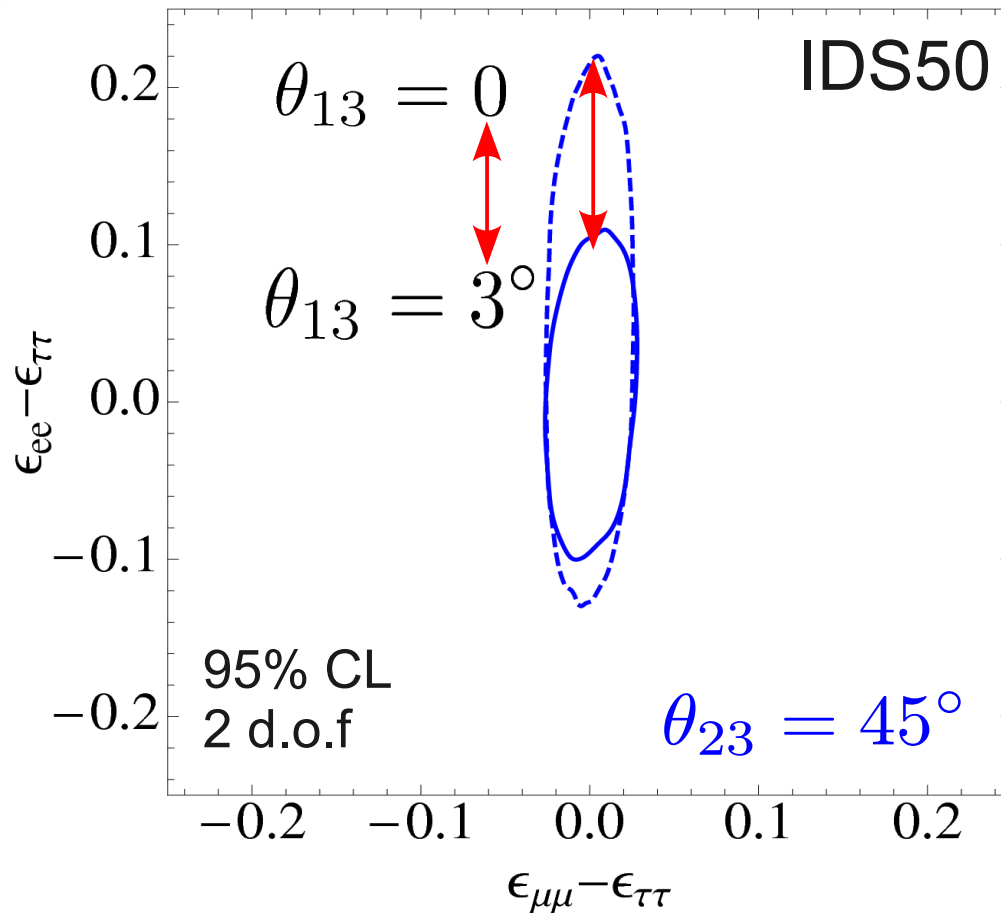
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2nd question:
Will we actually be able to see NSI?

Blennow, Meloni, Ohlsson, Terranova, Westerberg, arXiv:0804.2744
[hep-ph]

Kopp, Ota, Winter, arXiv:0804.2261 [hep-ph]

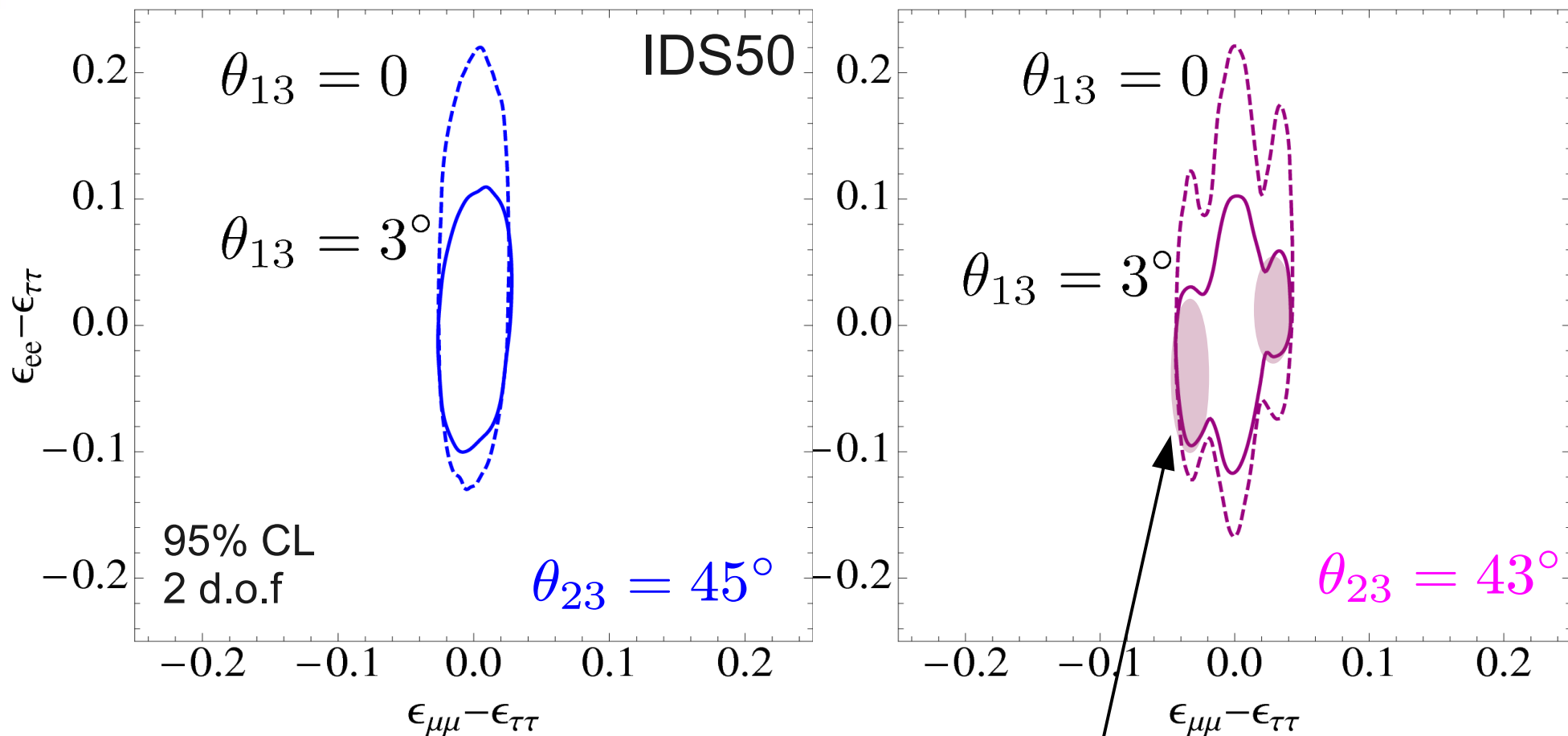
Sensitivity to $\epsilon_{\alpha\alpha}$



Sizable effect due to
nonzero θ_{13}

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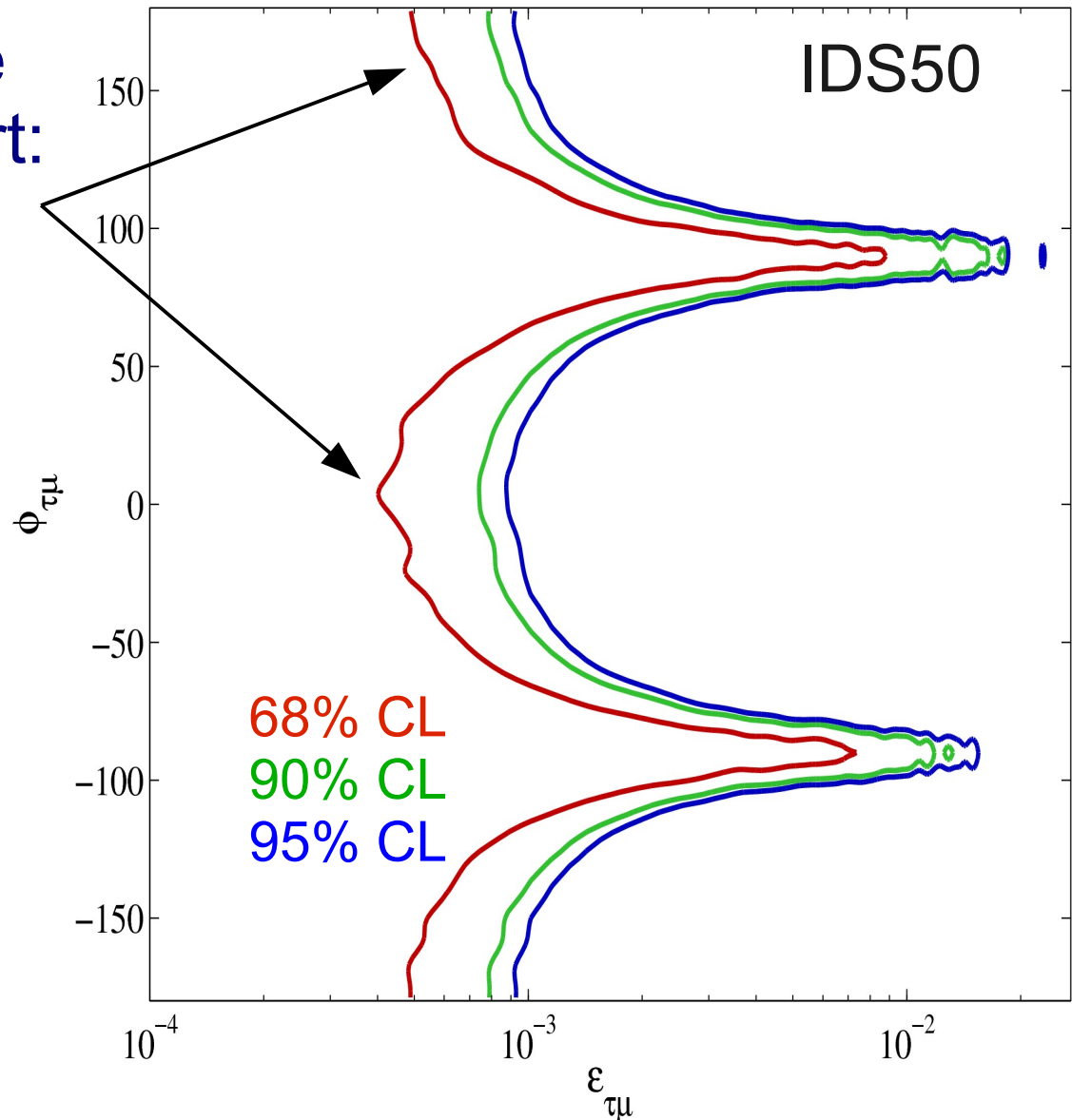
Effect due to $\delta\theta_{23}$

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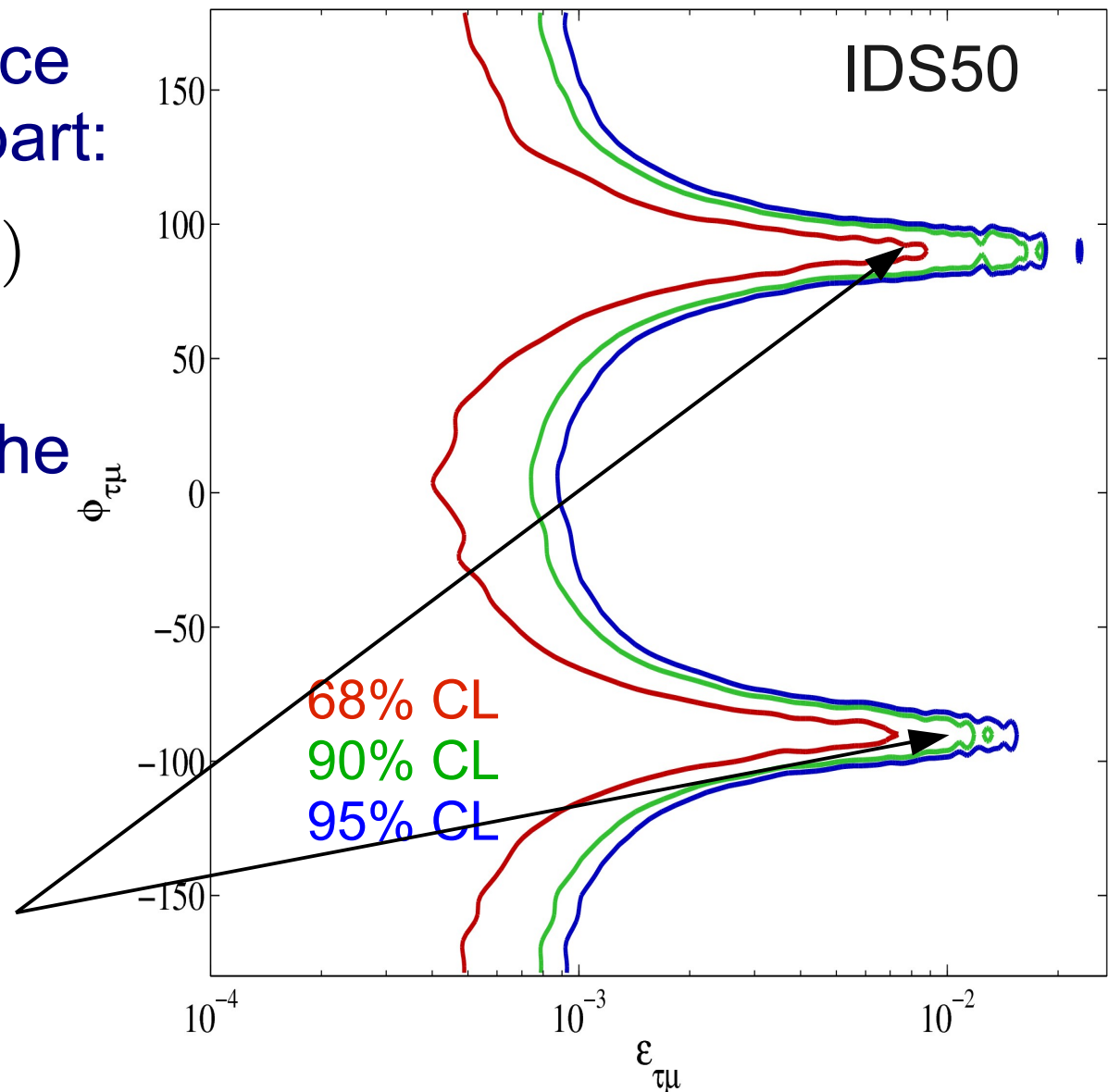
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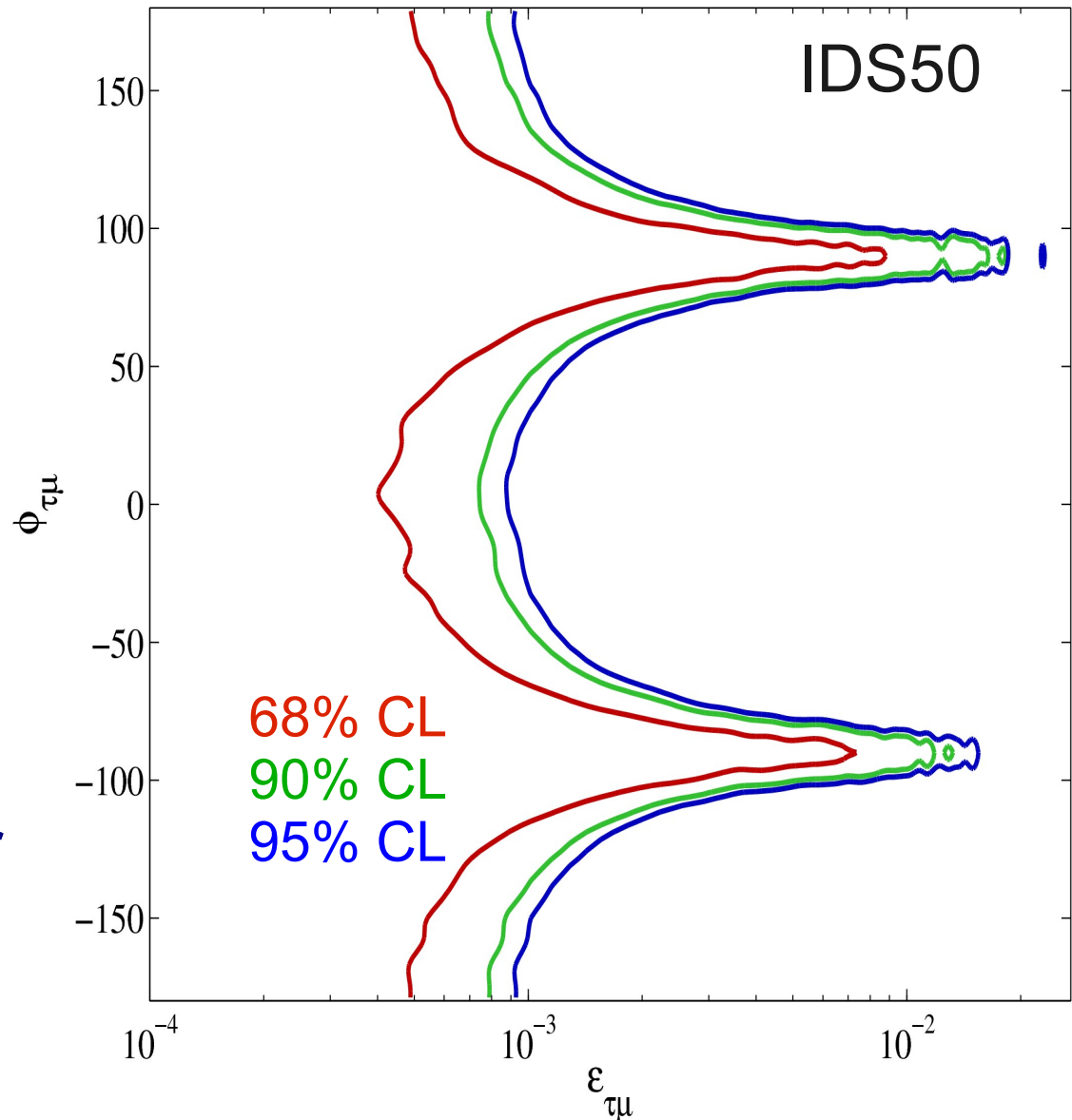
- Still some dependence on the imaginary part through 2nd order terms:

$$P_{\mu\mu}^{NSI} = P_{\mu\mu}^{NSI}(\epsilon) + (\text{Im}(\epsilon_{\mu\tau}))^2 + \dots$$



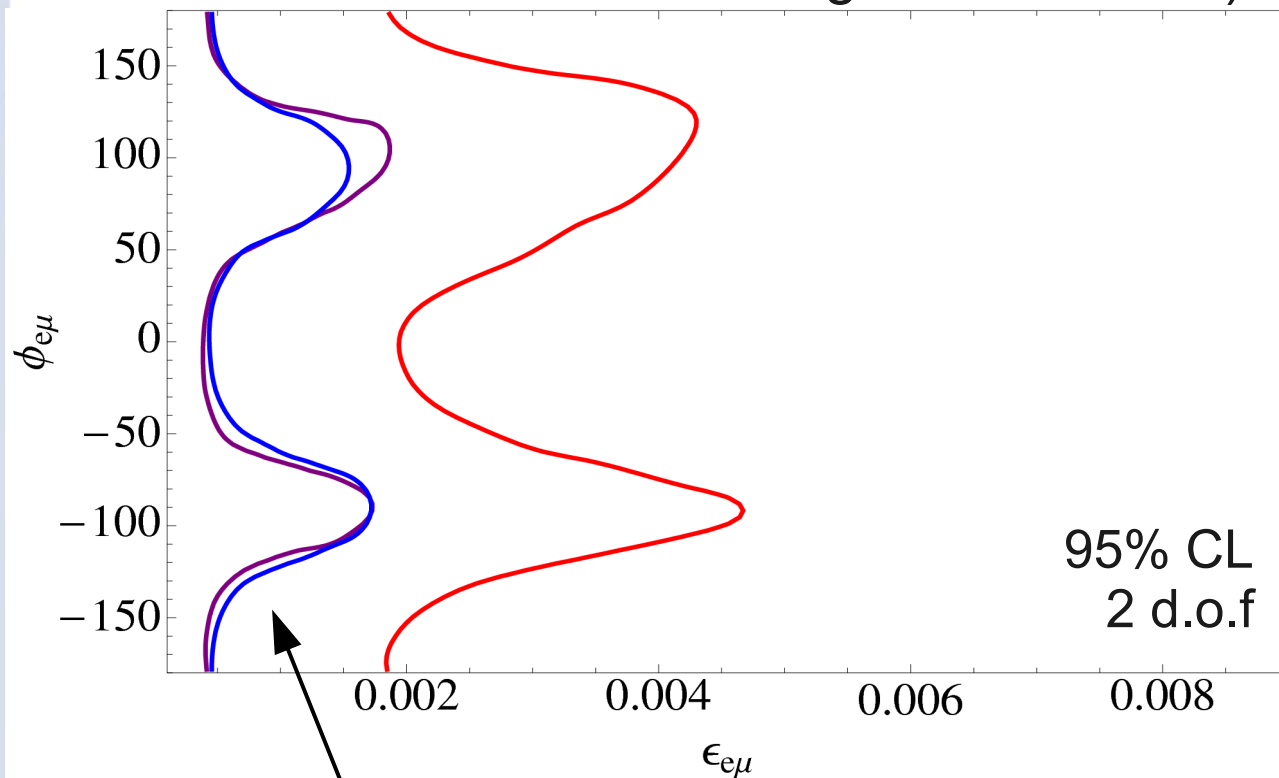
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- Good news:
 - No correlation with $\theta_{13}, \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}$
 - Mild correlation with $\epsilon_{\alpha\alpha}$
- Same result for all setups under study.



Sensitivity to $\epsilon_{e\mu}, \epsilon_{e\tau}$

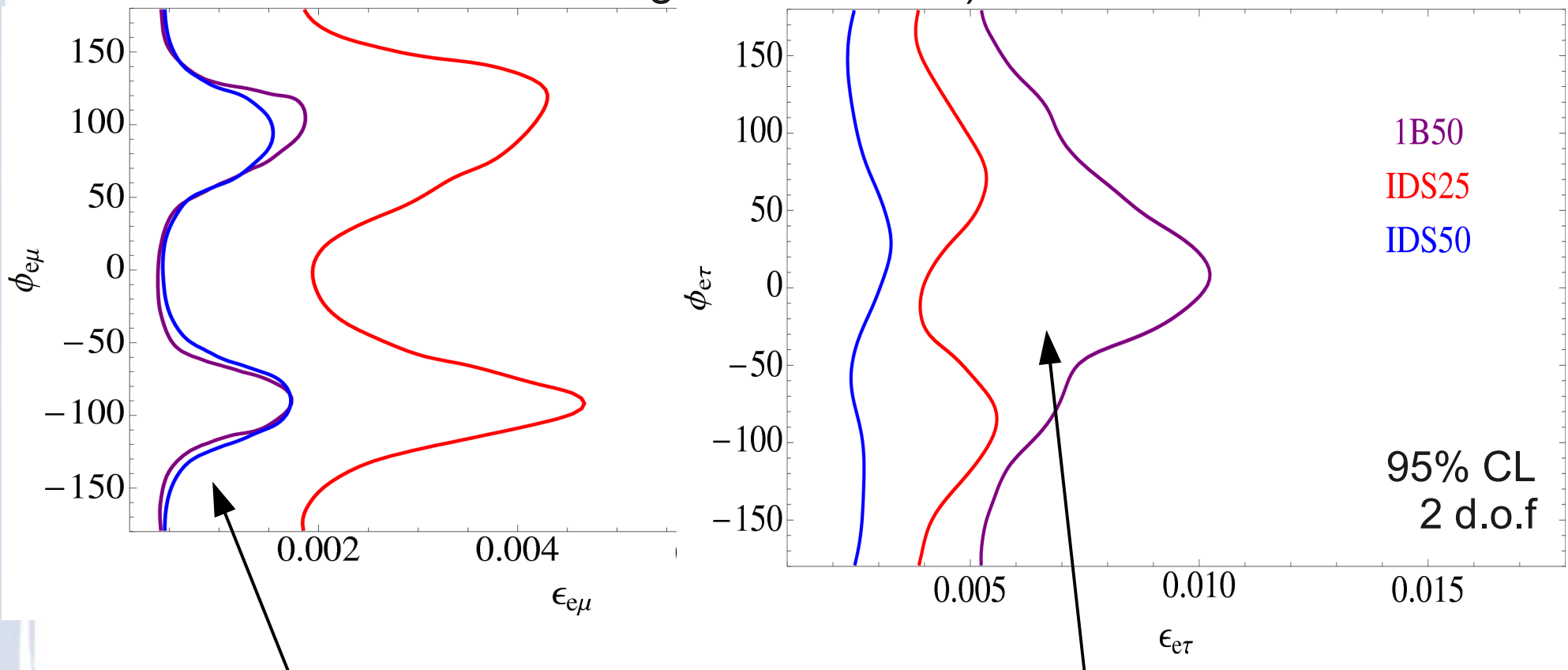
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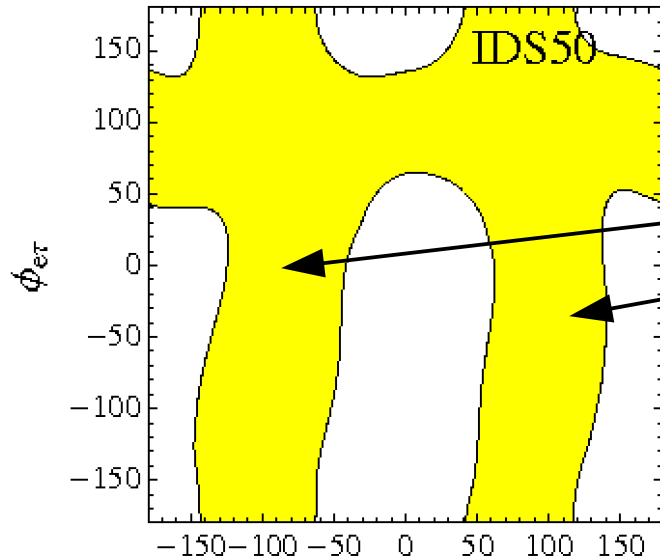


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3rd question:
What about CP violation?

CP violation due to NSI

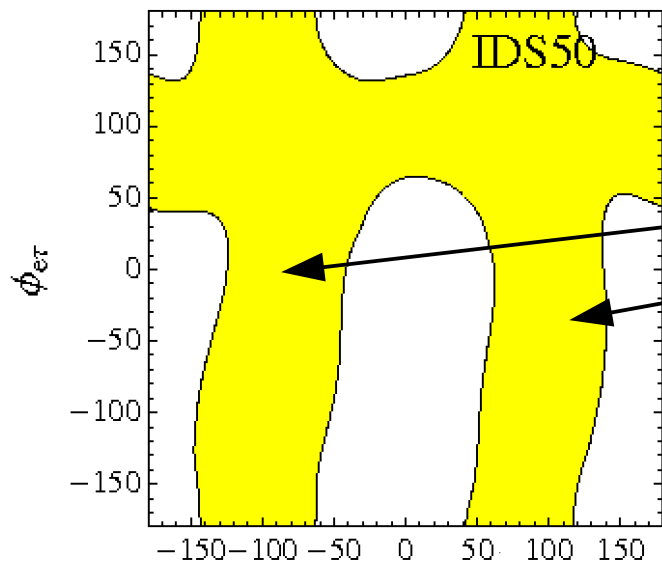


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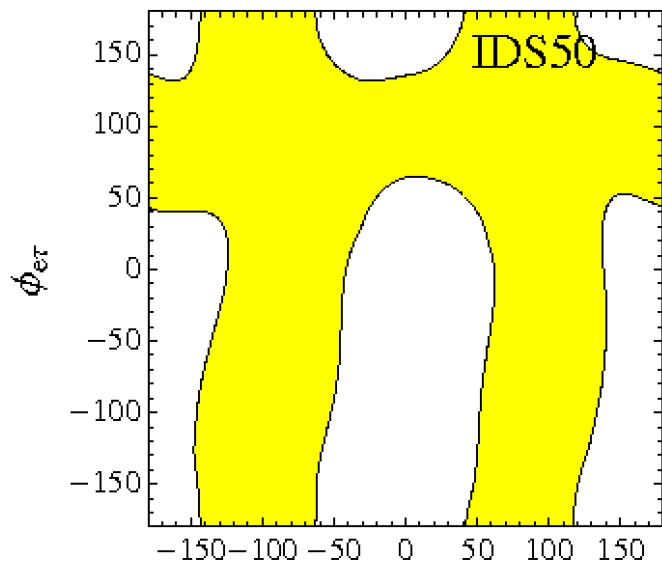
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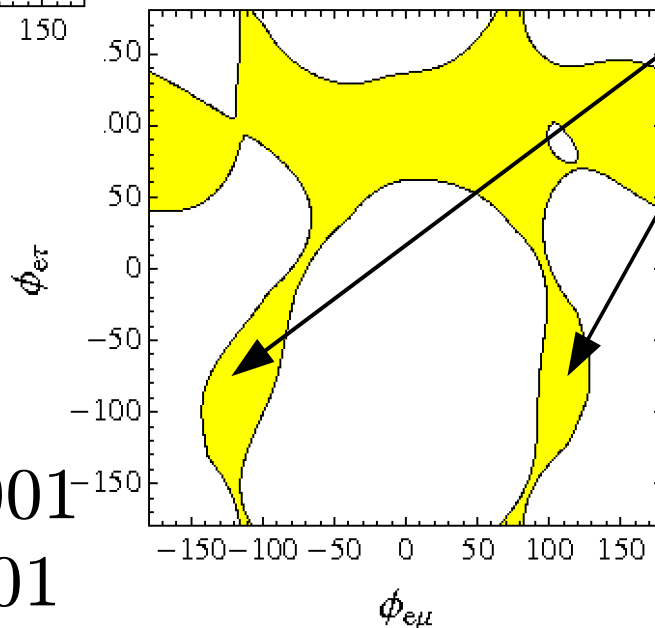


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$$|\epsilon_{e\tau}| = 0.01$$

$$|\epsilon_{e\mu}| = 0.001$$

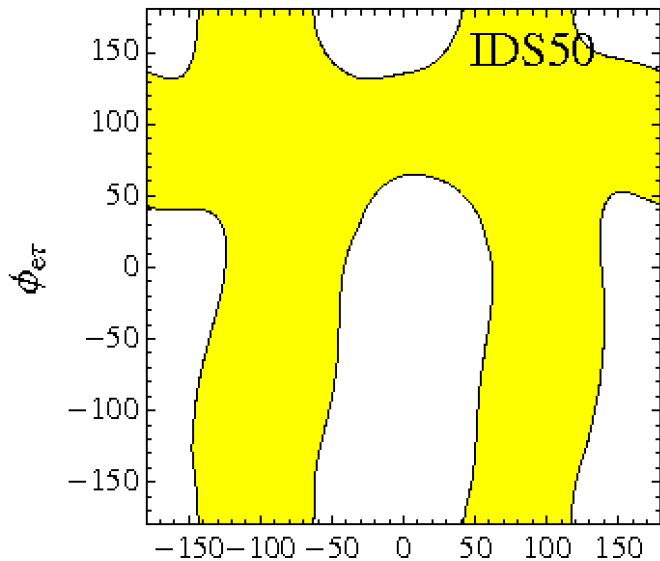
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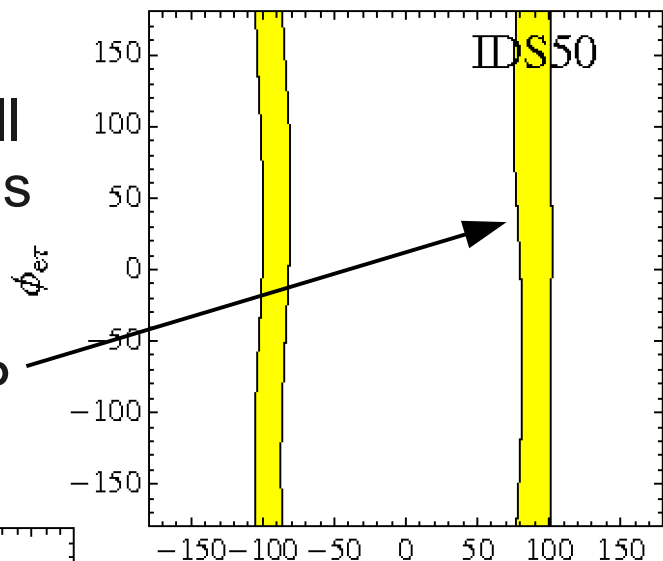
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- Generically, we conclude that higher energy setups are better to study NSI;
- How do NSI affect θ_{13} sensitivity?
 - No correlations with $\epsilon_{\mu\tau}$ are observed;
 - Mild correlations with $\epsilon_{\alpha\alpha}$;
 - Strong correlations with $\epsilon_{e\mu}, \epsilon_{e\tau}$.
- Diagonal NSI parameters:
 - Sizable effects due to $\theta_{13} \neq 0; \delta\theta_{23} \neq 0,$
 - Sensitivity $\mathcal{O}(10^{-1})$ for $(\epsilon_{ee} - \epsilon_{\tau\tau});$
 $\mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$ for $(\epsilon_{\mu\mu} - \epsilon_{\tau\tau}).$

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- Off-diagonal parameters:
 - $\epsilon_{e\mu}$: higher energies are the key
 - $\epsilon_{e\tau}$: the MB is the key factor

} Sensitivities of $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$ are achievable

 - $\epsilon_{\mu\tau}$: independent of setup. Linear dependence on real part gives rise to sensitivities ranging from $10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$
- CP violation:
 - CP violation exclusively due to NSI could be measured for vanishing θ_{13} in a 35% of the phase space for $|\epsilon_{e\mu}| = 0.001; |\epsilon_{e\tau}| = 0.01$.