THE PRICE OF A LARGE ELECTRON YUKAWA MODIFICATION

...and what we would learn from a Higgs pole run at FCC–ee

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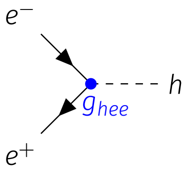

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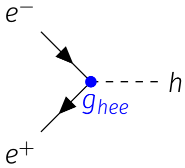

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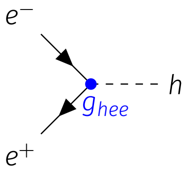

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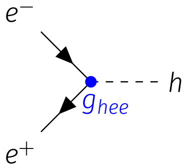

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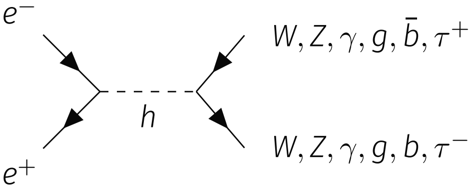

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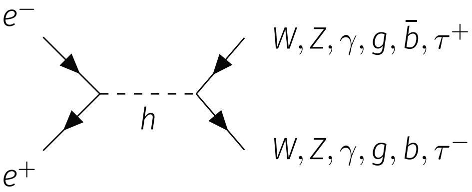

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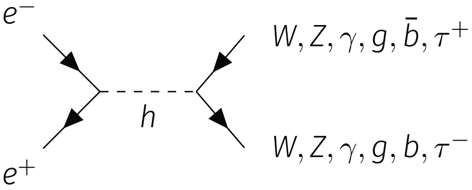

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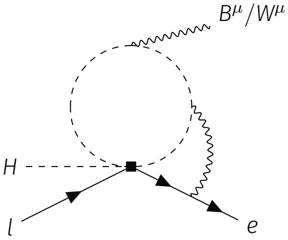

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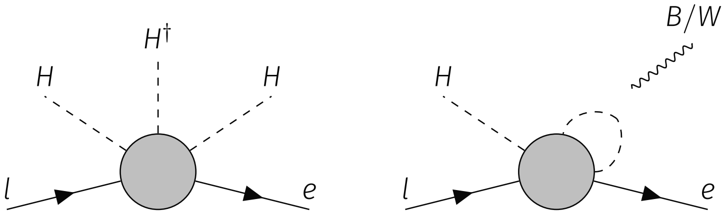

Grey blob = diagram of arbitrary loop order involving heavy state exchange.

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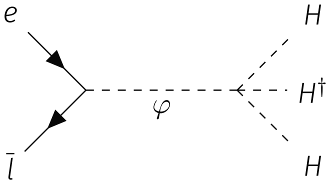

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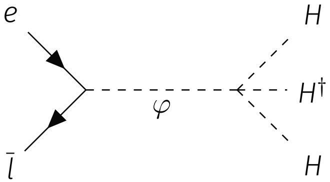

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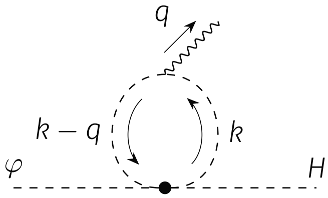

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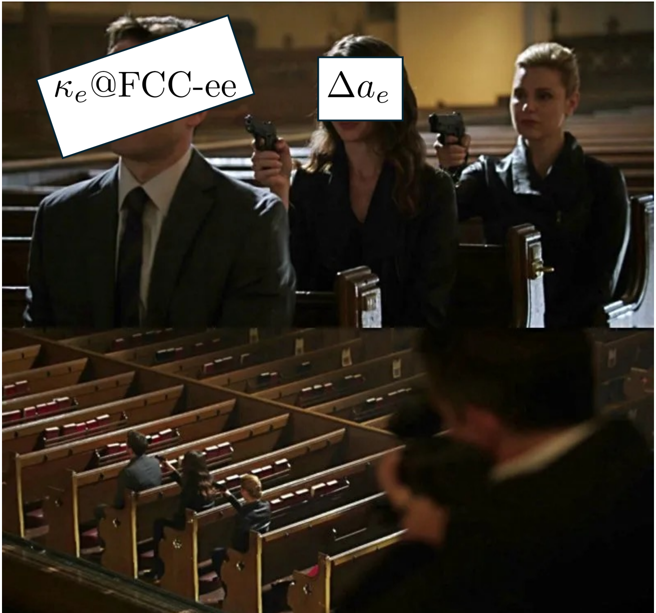
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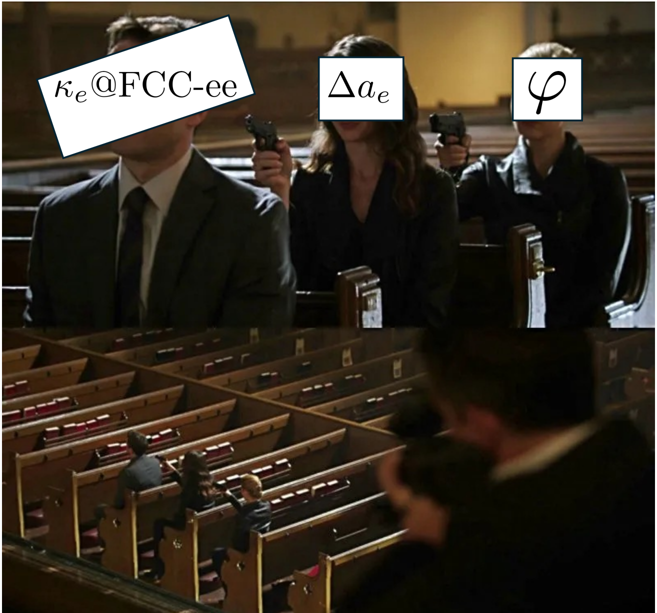

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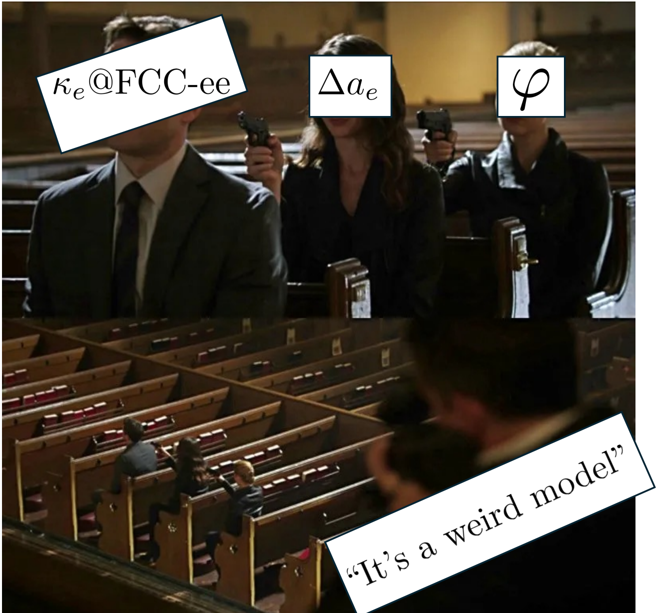

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FINE-TUNING

$$\kappa_e = \frac{g_{hee}}{\frac{m_e}{v}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(y_e - \frac{3v^2}{\sqrt{2}}\mathcal{C}_{eH})}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(y_e - \frac{v^2}{2}\mathcal{C}_{eH})} = 1 - \frac{\frac{v^2\mathcal{C}_{eH}}{y_e}}{1 - \frac{v^2\mathcal{C}_{eH}}{2y_e}} = 1 - \frac{\zeta}{1-\zeta/2}$$

Large κ_e requires tuning ζ $(= \frac{v^2\mathcal{C}_{eH}}{2y_e})$ close to 1.

$$\Delta = \left|\frac{\partial \ln \kappa}{\partial \ln \zeta}\right| = \left|\frac{(1-\kappa)(3-\kappa)}{2\kappa}\right| \quad ,$$

which behaves as

$$\lim_{\kappa \gg 1} \Delta = \frac{\kappa}{2} \quad .$$

$\Rightarrow$ $\kappa_e = 10$ requires $\sim$ 20% tuning.

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