Particles - Classification - Leptons

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Leptons

- are fundamental (remember hadrons aren't).
- can't seem to break them down into other things
- Don't feel the strong force
- React via the weak interaction
- Electrons are very stable
- Muons are unstable and decay into electrons
- Electrons and muons come with their own neutrinos

Lepton Number

Name	Symbol	Charge	L _e	L _µ
electron	e-	-1	+1	0
electron-neutrino	$\nu_{\rm e}$	0	+1	0
muon	μ-	-1	0	+1
muon-neutrino	$ u_{\mu}$	0	0	+1

Electrons and muons have lepton numbers of +1.

You have to count electron and muon lepton numbers separately.

Once again each lepton and lepton neutrino has an anti-version. These will have opposite charges and lepton numbers.

EG antimuon is +1 charge and -1 lepton