



Overview of BSM theory on exotic particles

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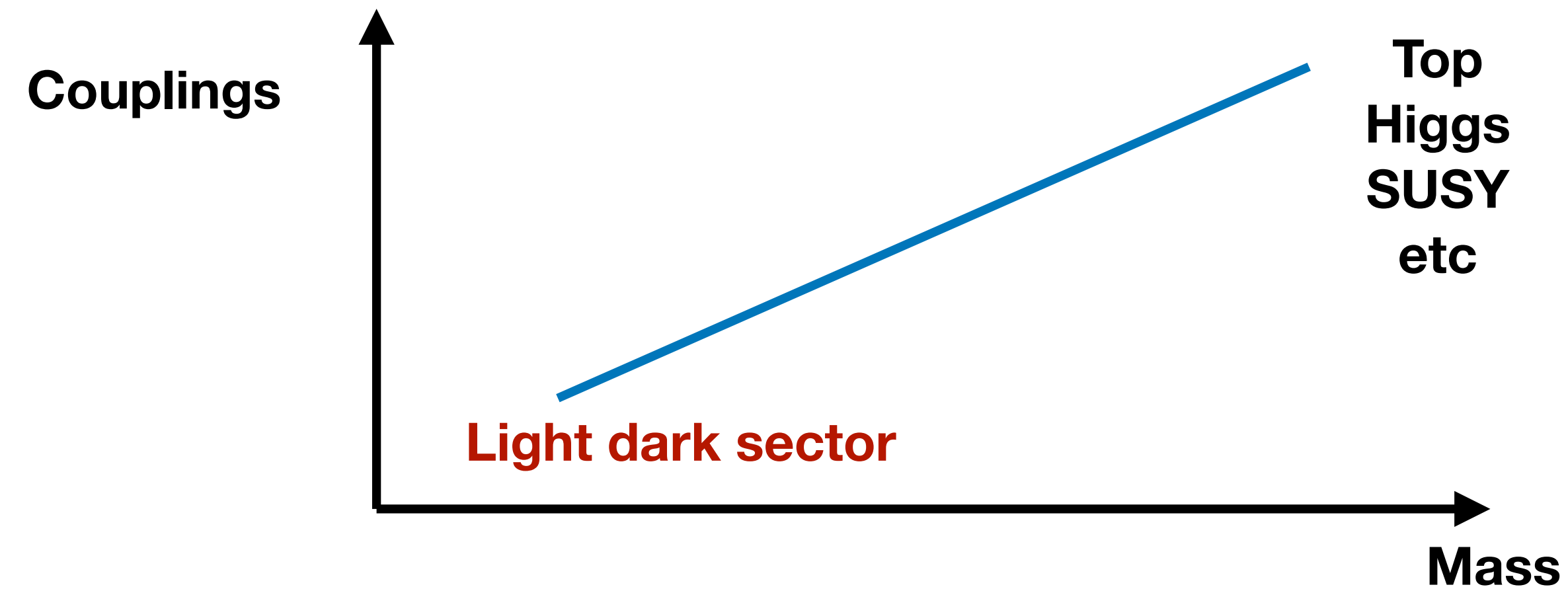
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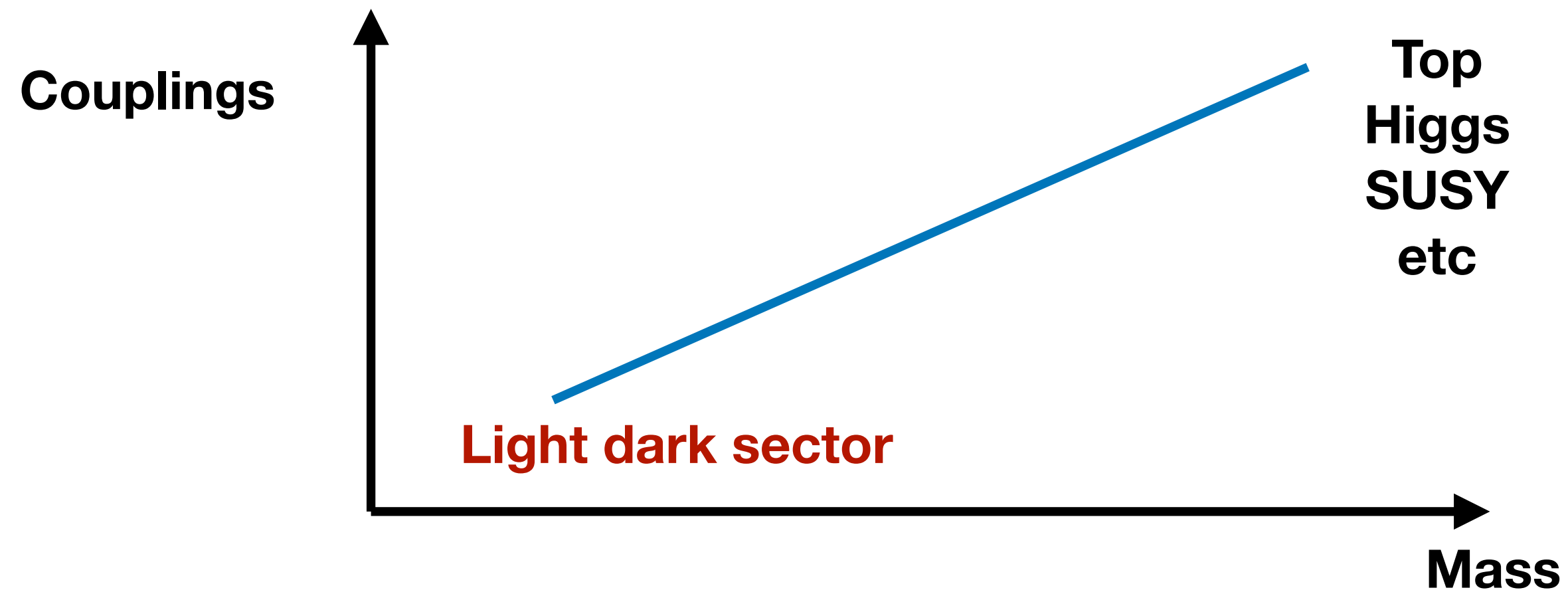
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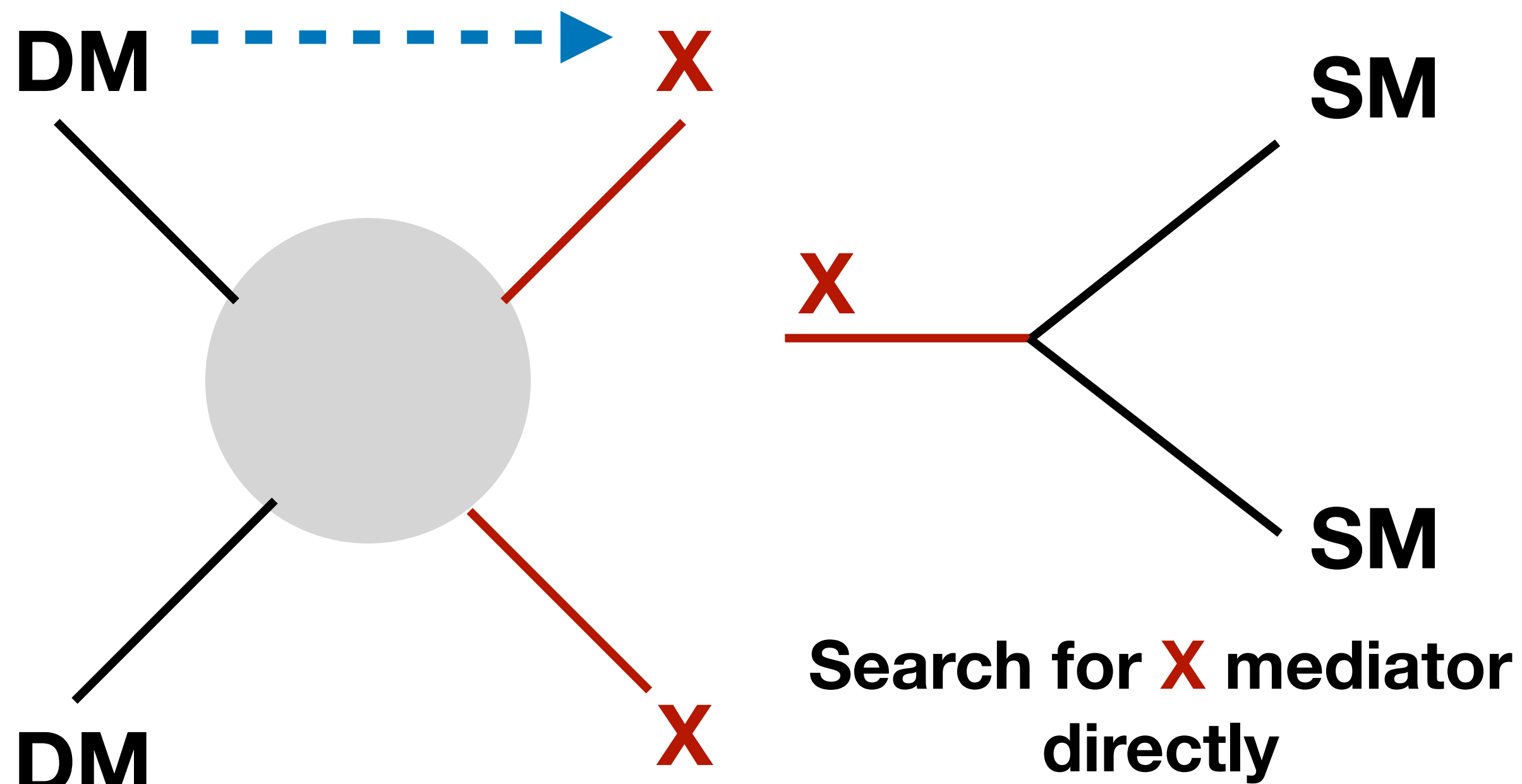


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Exotic interactions: Various BSM portals

- Vector Portal: Kinetic Mixing Dark Photon

$$B_{\mu\nu} F'^{\mu\nu}$$

- Pseudoscalar Portal: Axion, Axion-Like

$$\text{Particles } \frac{a}{\Lambda} \tilde{F}F, \frac{a}{\Lambda} \tilde{G}G$$

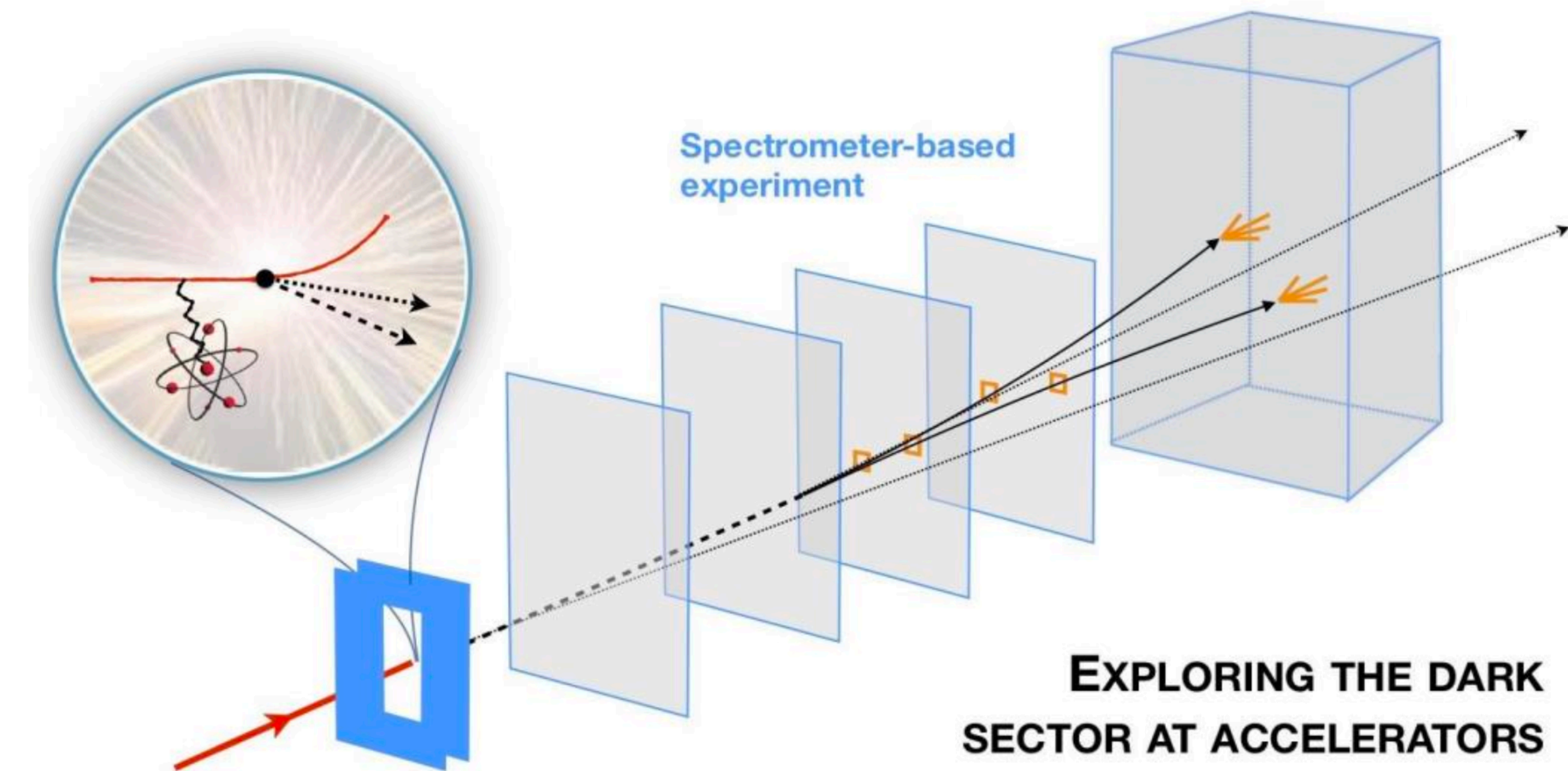
- Scalar Portal (Higgs Portal): SM Higgs

$$(H^\dagger H) (\phi \text{ or } \phi^2)$$

- Fermion Portal: Sterile neutrino, Vector-like Fermions

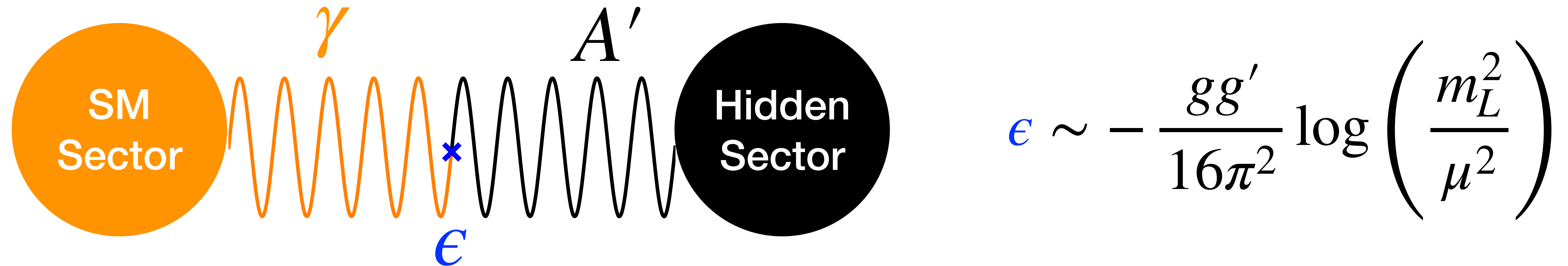
$$(\bar{L}H)N_R, \bar{L}\Phi\Psi, \bar{Q}\Phi\Psi$$

- Millicharged Particles, Leptoquarks etc ...



The Kinetic Mixing Portal

- Marginal operator: a single extension of SM at low energy
- Integrating out heavy fermion charged under both SM and Dark sector



$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F'_{\mu\nu}F'^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{A'}^2 A'^{\mu}A'_{\mu} - \frac{1}{2}\epsilon F'_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + g' A'_{\mu}j_D^{\mu}$$

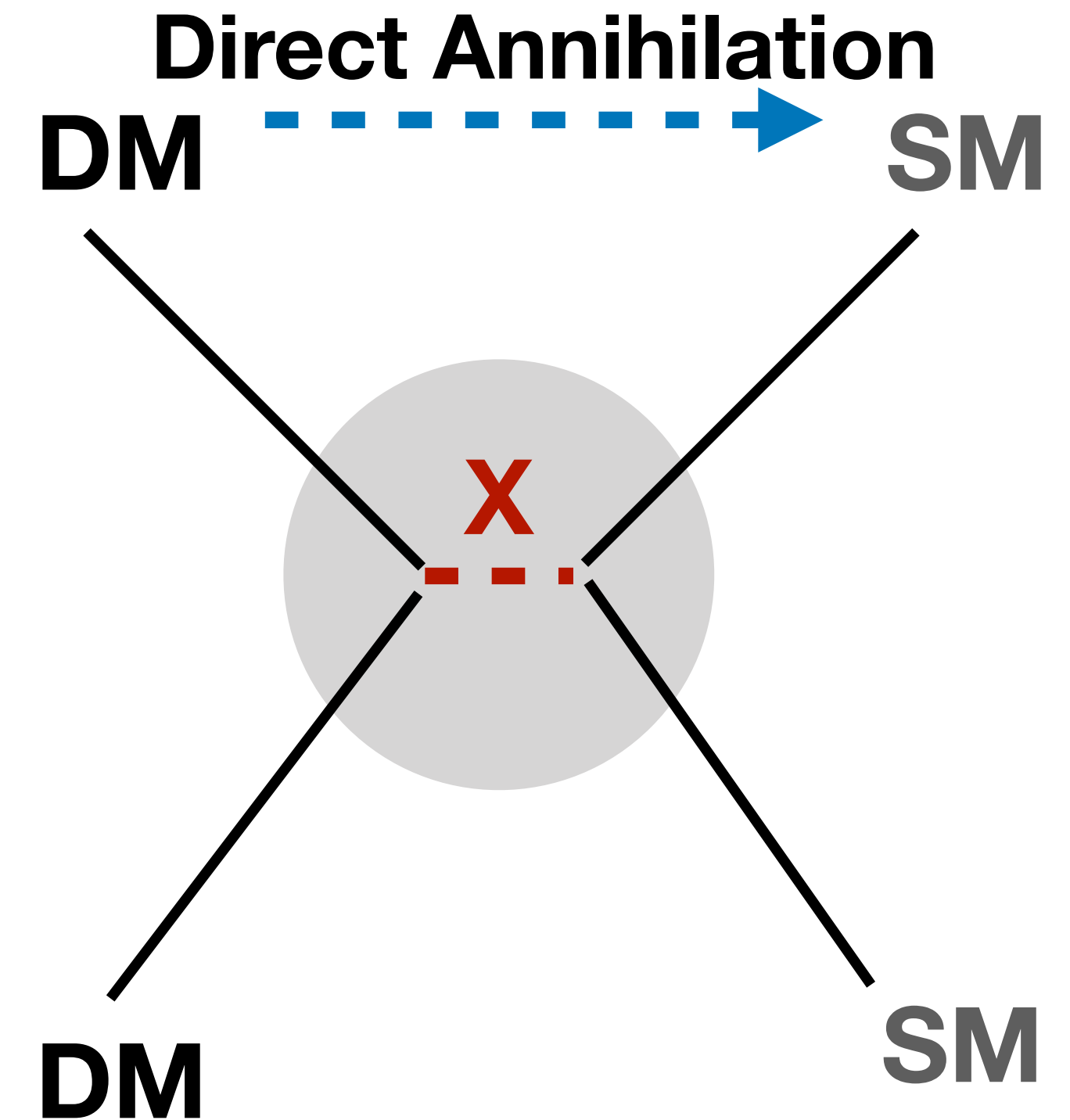
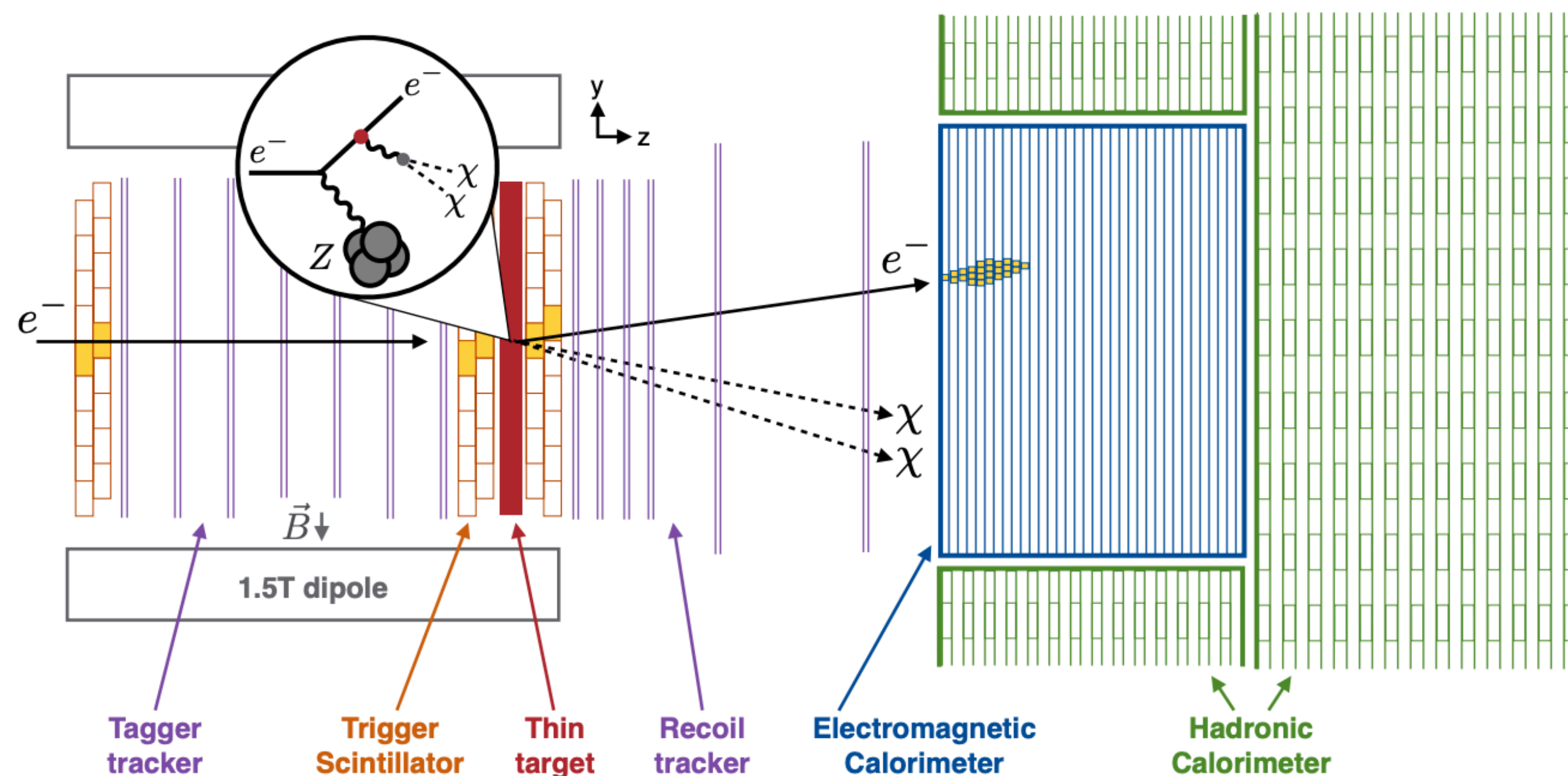
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} \supset \frac{1}{2}m_{A'}^2 A'^{\mu}A'_{\mu} + eA_{\mu}j_{\text{em}}^{\mu} + A'_{\mu} \left(g' j_D^{\mu} + \epsilon e j_{\text{em}}^{\mu} \right)$$

- Parameters: $m_{A'}$, ϵ , g' , m_{DM}

A proper low energy model from UV physics
Log dependence of UV scale

The A' invisible benchmark at intensity frontier

- A dark mediator with direct annihilation
- Mass setup $m_{A'} > 2m_{\text{DM}}$ to avoid secluded scenario
- The thermal cross-section: $\langle \sigma v \rangle \approx \alpha' \epsilon^2 \alpha \frac{m_{\text{DM}}^2}{m_{A'}^4}$
- Benchmark: $m_{A'} = 3m_{\text{DM}}, \alpha' = 0.5$



See Bertrand Echenard's talk on LDMX
Benjamin Banto Oberhauser's talk on NA64 ...

A variant in DM annihilation history

- Massive gauge boson has a varying mass in the early universe
- The annihilation channels divided into two categories:

Transient secluded: $(\bar{\psi}\psi \rightarrow A'A')$

$$m_{A'} = m_{\psi},$$

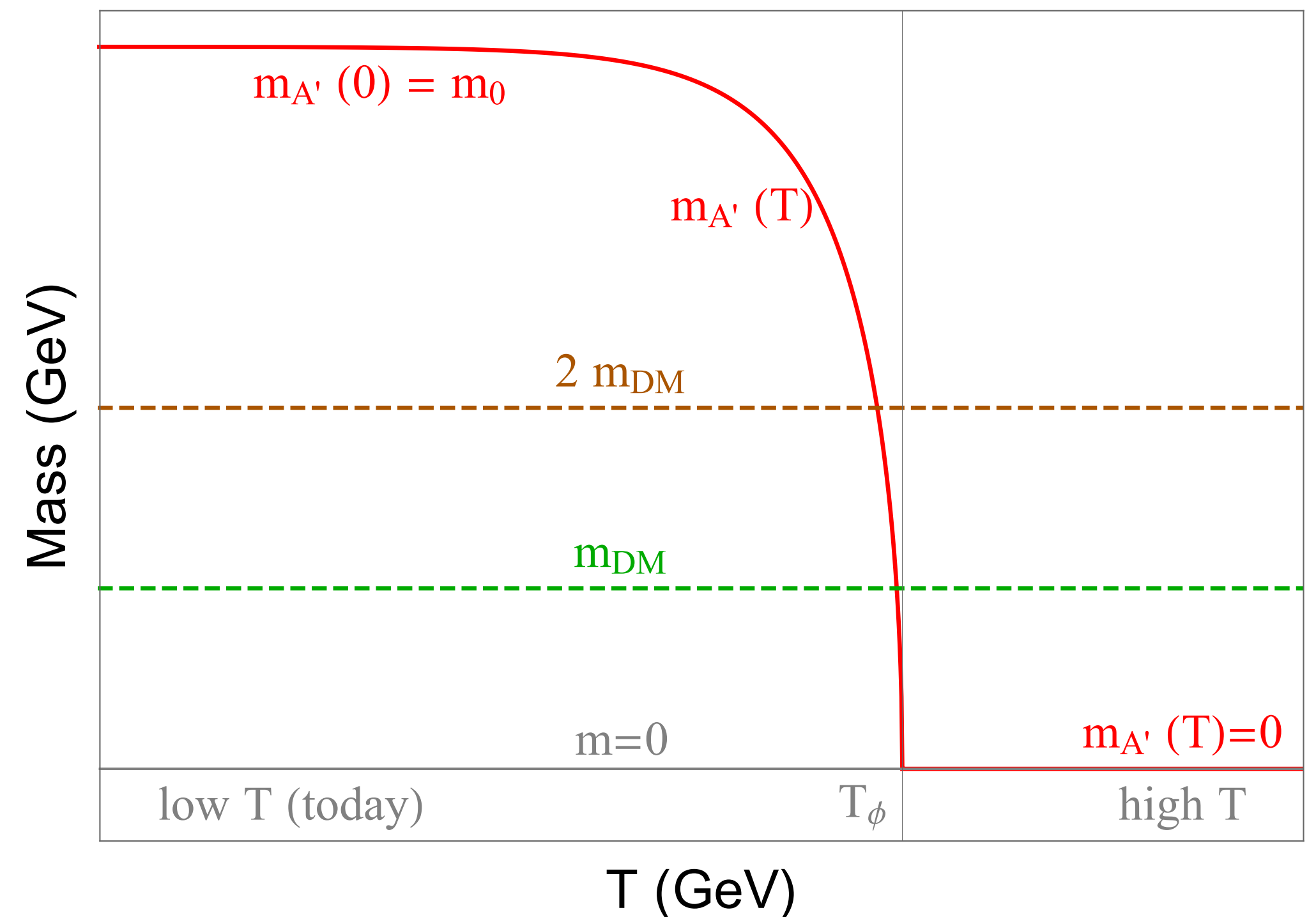
$(\bar{\psi}\psi \rightarrow A'\phi)$

$$m_{A'} = 2m_{\psi} - m_{\phi},$$

Transient resonant: $(\bar{\psi}\psi \rightarrow \bar{f}f)$

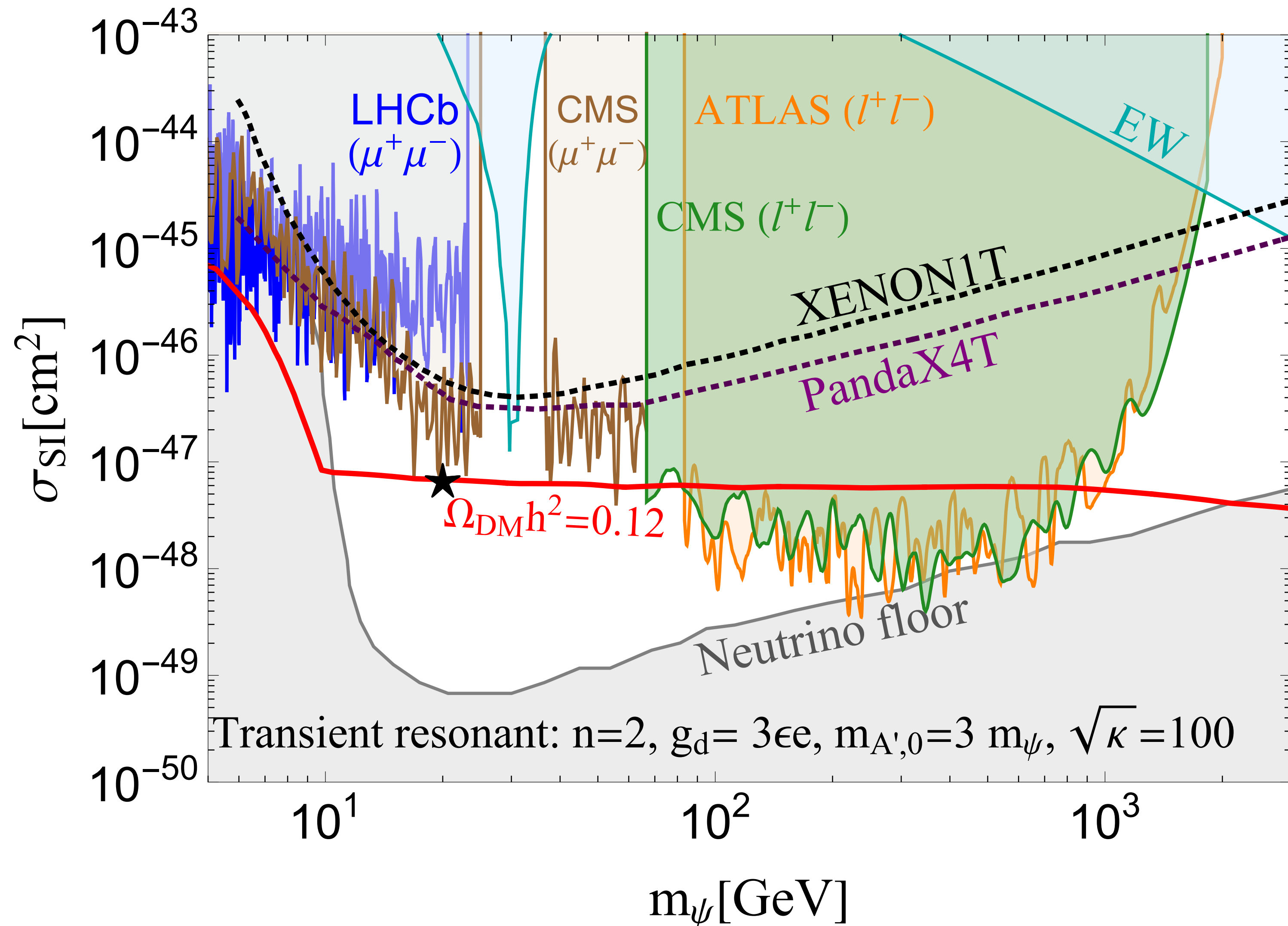
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$$m_{A'}^2(T) = \begin{cases} 0 & T > T_{\phi}, \\ m_{A',0}^2 - \kappa m_{\psi}^2 \left(\frac{T}{m_{\psi}}\right)^n & T < T_{\phi} \end{cases}$$



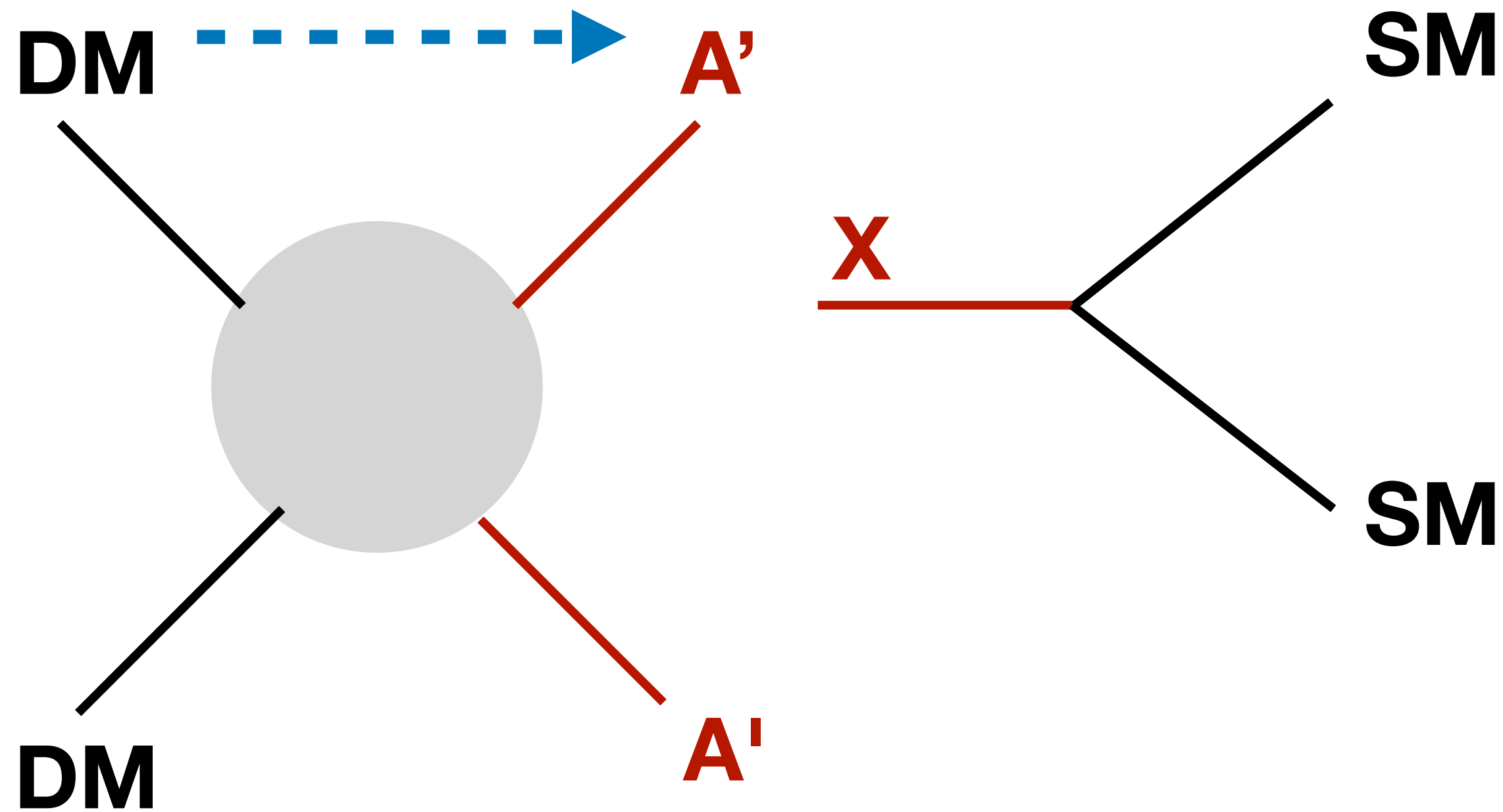
A variant in DM annihilation history

- Transient resonant annihilation only happens in the early universe
- No indirect constraints
- Collider and direct detection constraints are evaded
- Can be soon tested in the future



The A' visible benchmark at intensity frontier

Secluded Annihilation

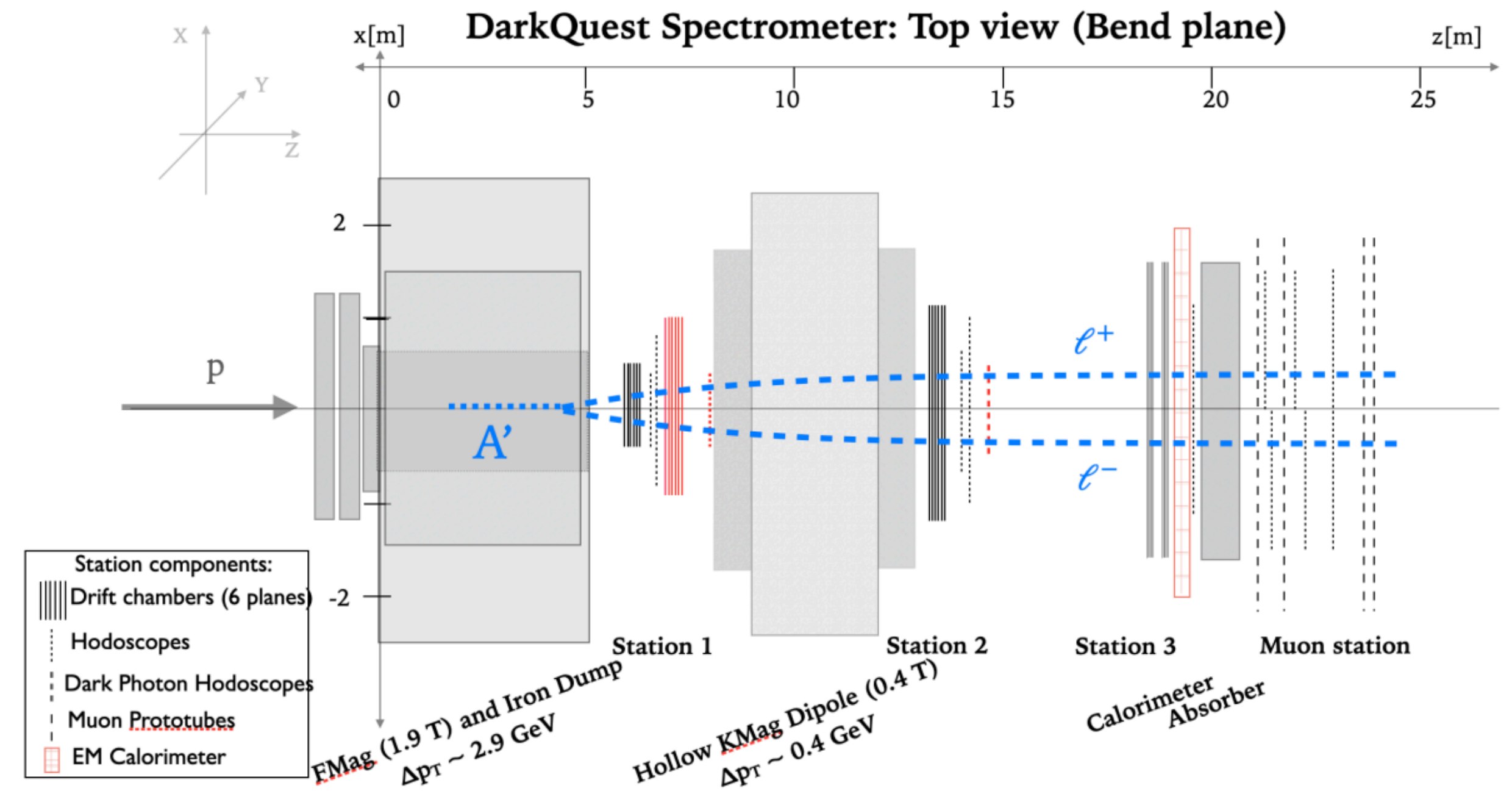


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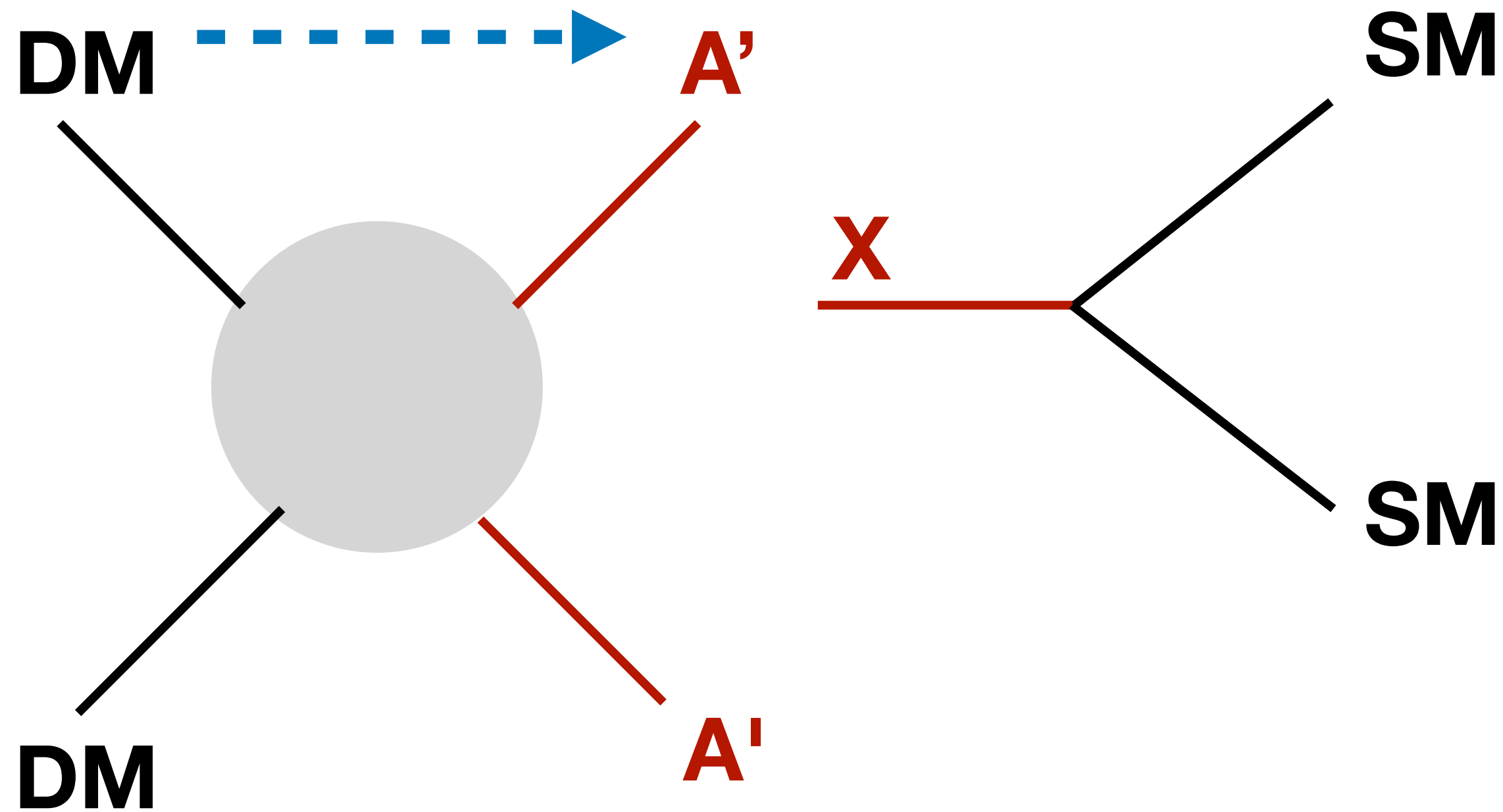
- Only two free parameters relevant: $m_{A'}$, ϵ



See Yongbin Feng's talk on DarkQuest
 Achim Denig's talk on DarkMESA
 Benjamin Banto Oberhauser's talk on NA64
 Jing Chen's talk on DarkSHINE

The A' invisible benchmark at intensity frontier

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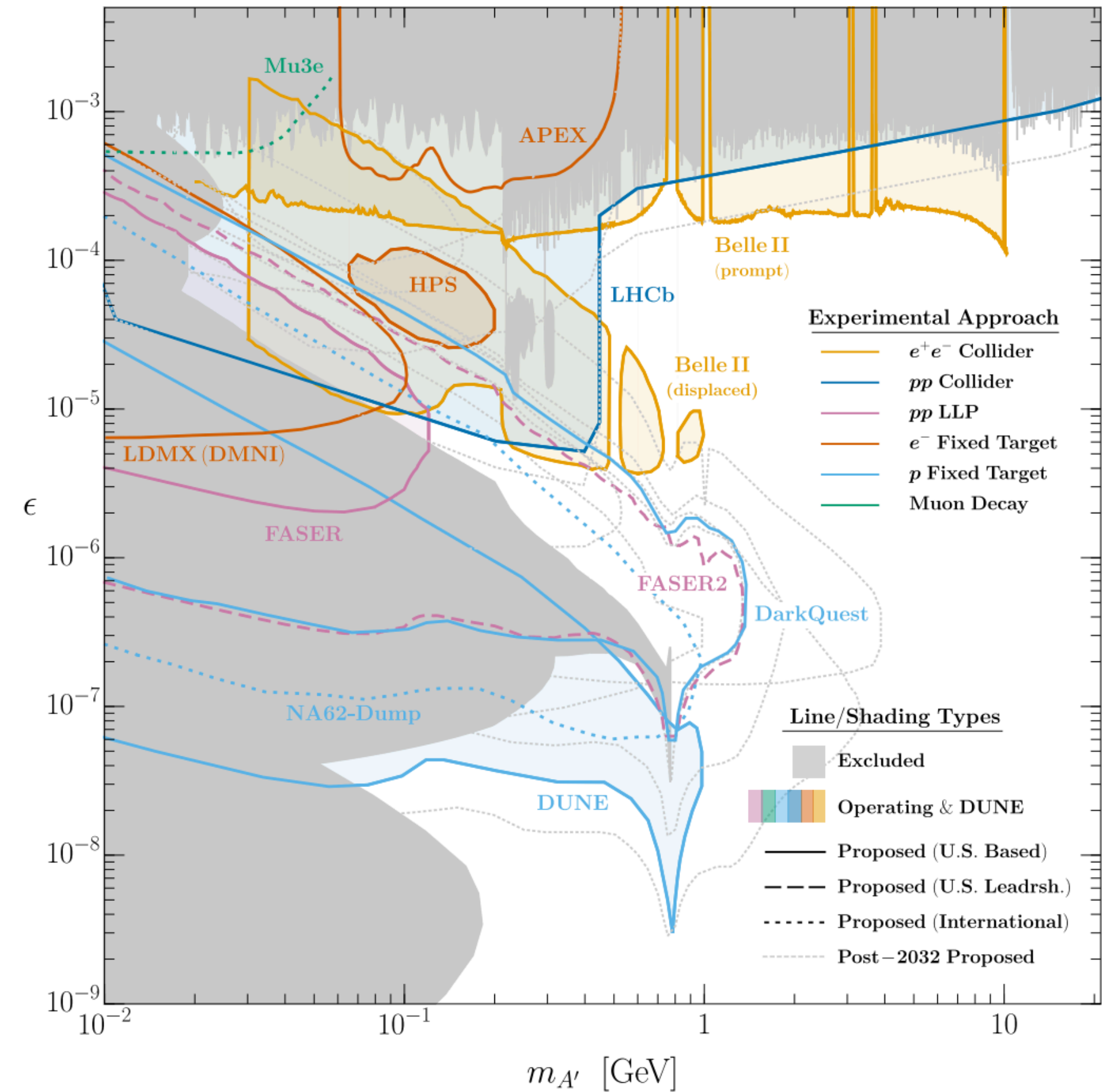


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Batell, Blinov, Hearty, McGehee, 2207.06905

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- Z gauge boson is involved (K denotes A')

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{-1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{SM}^{\mu\nu} & A_{SM}^{\mu\nu} & K^{\mu\nu} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \epsilon t_W \\ 0 & 1 & -\epsilon \\ \epsilon t_W & -\epsilon & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{\mu\nu, SM} \\ A_{\mu\nu, SM} \\ K_{\mu\nu} \end{pmatrix} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{SM}^{\mu} & A_{SM}^{\mu} & K^{\mu} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m_{Z, SM}^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_K^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z_{\mu, SM} \\ A_{\mu, SM} \\ K_{\mu} \end{pmatrix},$$

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- After normalizing kinetic terms and diagonalizing 3x3 mass matrix

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &\supset gZ_{\mu, \text{SM}}J_Z^{\mu} + eA_{\mu, \text{SM}}J_{\text{em}}^{\mu} + g_D K_{\mu}J_D^{\mu} \\ &= \tilde{Z}_{\mu} \left(gJ_Z^{\mu} - g_D \frac{m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 t_W}{m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 - m_K^2} \epsilon J_D^{\mu} + g \frac{m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 (m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 - 2m_K^2) t_W^2}{2(m_K^2 - m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2)^2} \epsilon^2 J_Z^{\mu} - e \frac{m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 t_W}{m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 - m_K^2} \epsilon^2 J_{\text{em}}^{\mu} \right) \\ &+ \tilde{K}_{\mu} \left(g_D J_D^{\mu} + g \frac{m_K^2 t_W}{m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 - m_K^2} \epsilon J_Z^{\mu} + e \epsilon J_{\text{em}}^{\mu} + g_D \frac{(m_{Z, \text{SM}}^4 c_W^2 - 2m_K^2 m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 + m_K^4) c_W^{-2}}{2(m_{Z, \text{SM}}^2 - m_K^2)^2} \epsilon^2 J_D^{\mu} \right) \\ &+ \tilde{A}_{\mu} e J_{\text{em}}^{\mu}. \end{aligned}$$

Vanish in the $m_{A'} \ll m_Z$ limit

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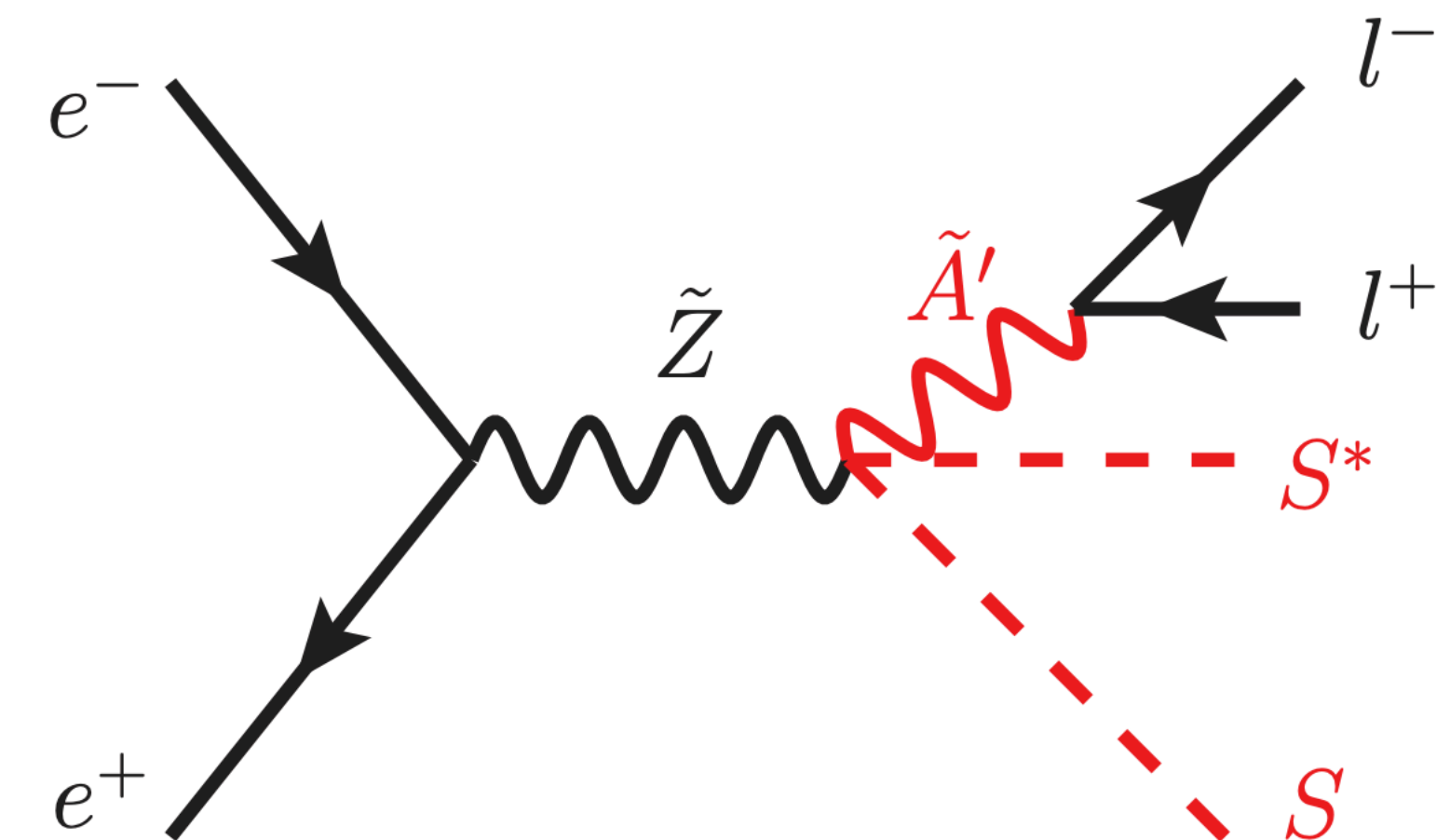
Exist but usually overlooked
Could be tested at future Z-factory (e.g. CEPC)

$$\mathcal{L} \supset gZ_{\mu, SM}J_Z^{\mu} + eA_{\mu, SM}J_{em}^{\mu} + g_D K_{\mu}J_D^{\mu}$$

$$= \tilde{Z}_{\mu} \left(gJ_Z^{\mu} - g_D \frac{m_{Z, SM}^2 t_W}{m_{Z, SM}^2 - m_K^2} \epsilon J_D^{\mu} + g \frac{m_{Z, SM}^2 (m_{Z, SM}^2 - m_K^2)}{2(m_K^2 - m_{Z, SM}^2)} \right)$$

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$$+ \tilde{A}_{\mu} e J_{em}^{\mu}.$$



E.g. if dark scalar is contained in the current j_D

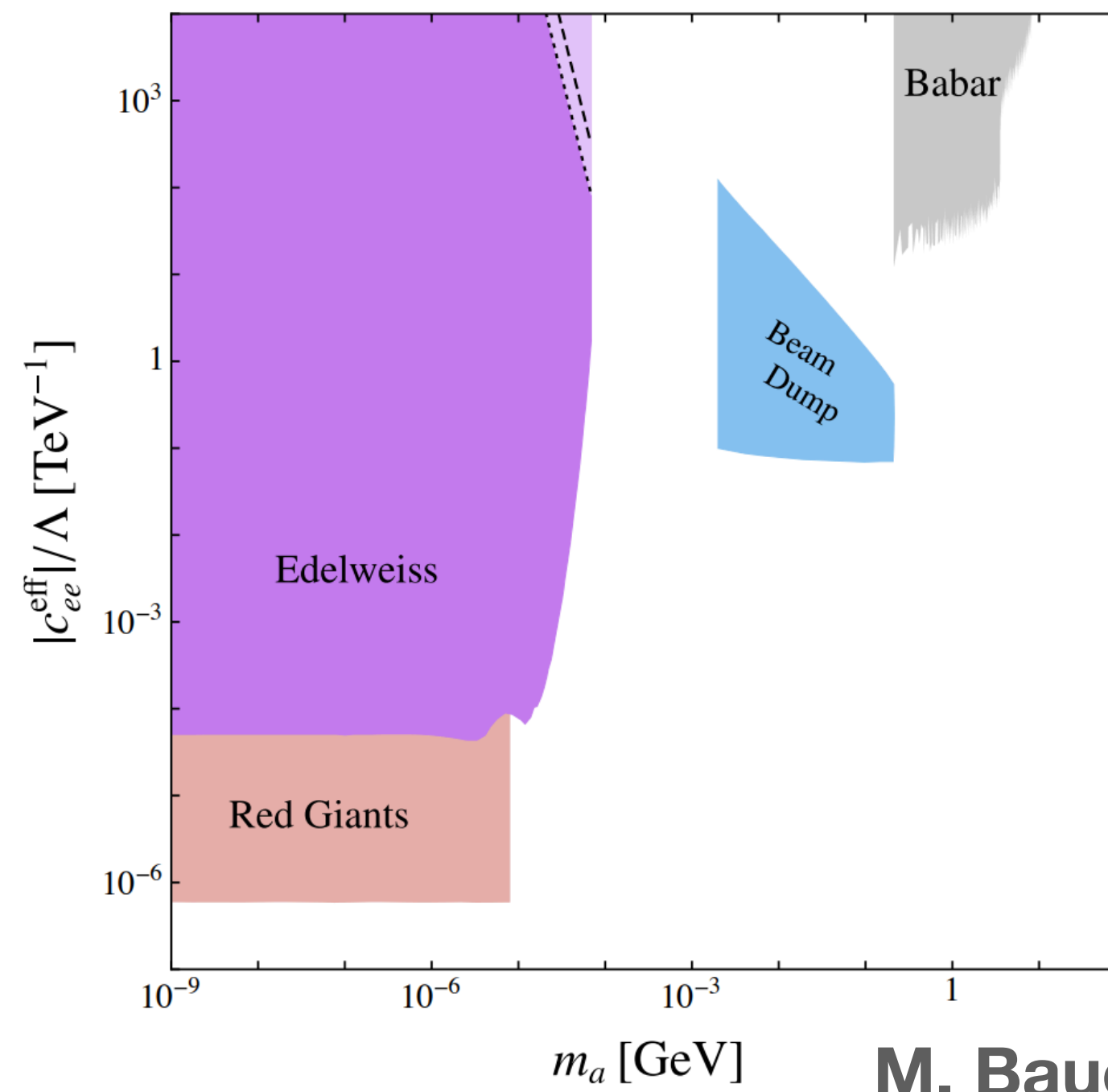
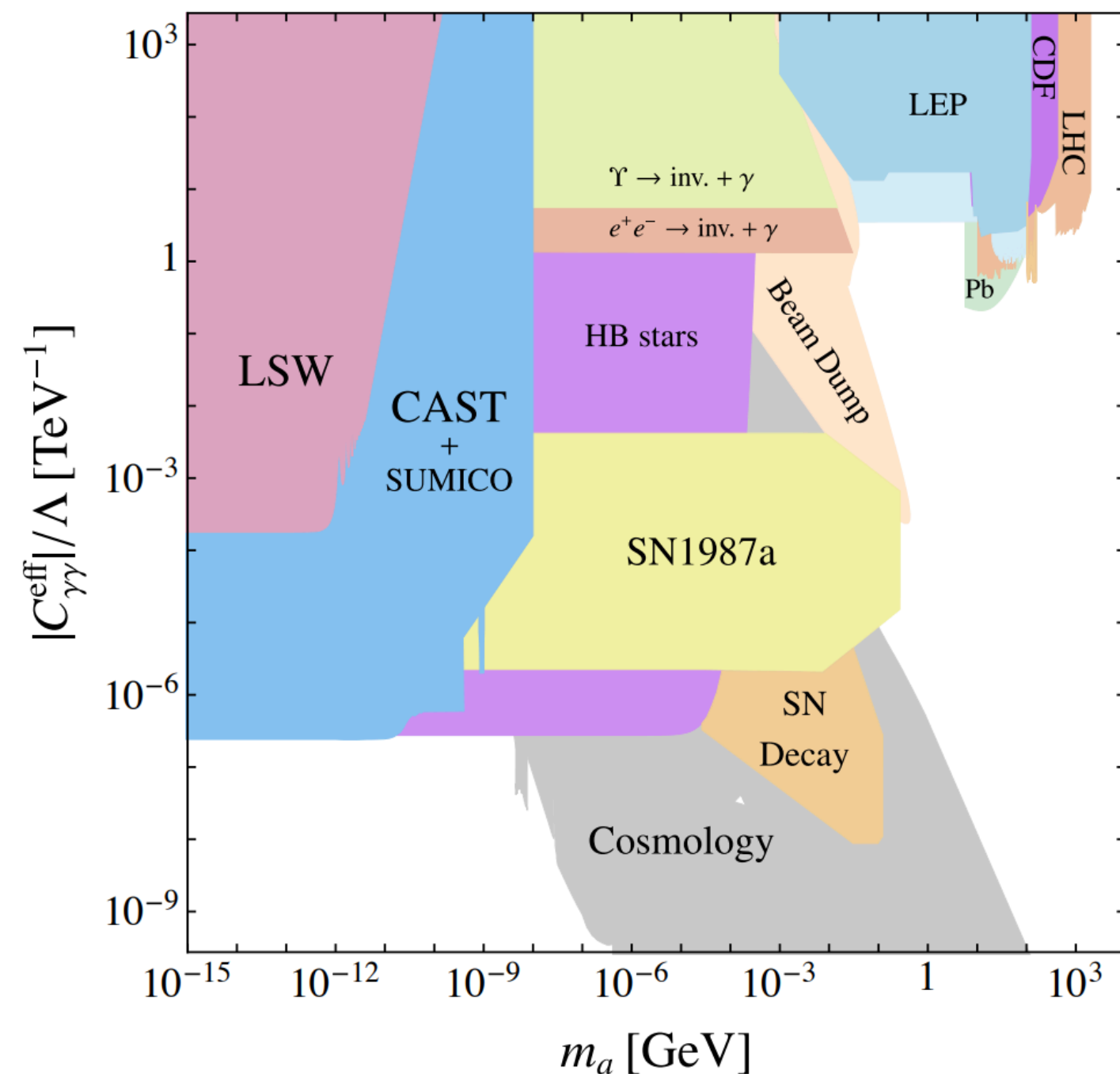
The Pseudoscalar Portal: Axion, ALP

- The general Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{D \leq 5} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2} a^2 + \frac{\partial^\mu a}{\Lambda} \sum_F \bar{\psi}_F \mathbf{C}_F \gamma_\mu \psi_F$$

$$+ g_s^2 C_{GG} \frac{a}{\Lambda} G_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu,A} + g^2 C_{WW} \frac{a}{\Lambda} W_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{W}^{\mu\nu,A} + g'^2 C_{BB} \frac{a}{\Lambda} B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}^{\mu\nu}$$

- Motivates searches at colliders and beam dump searches



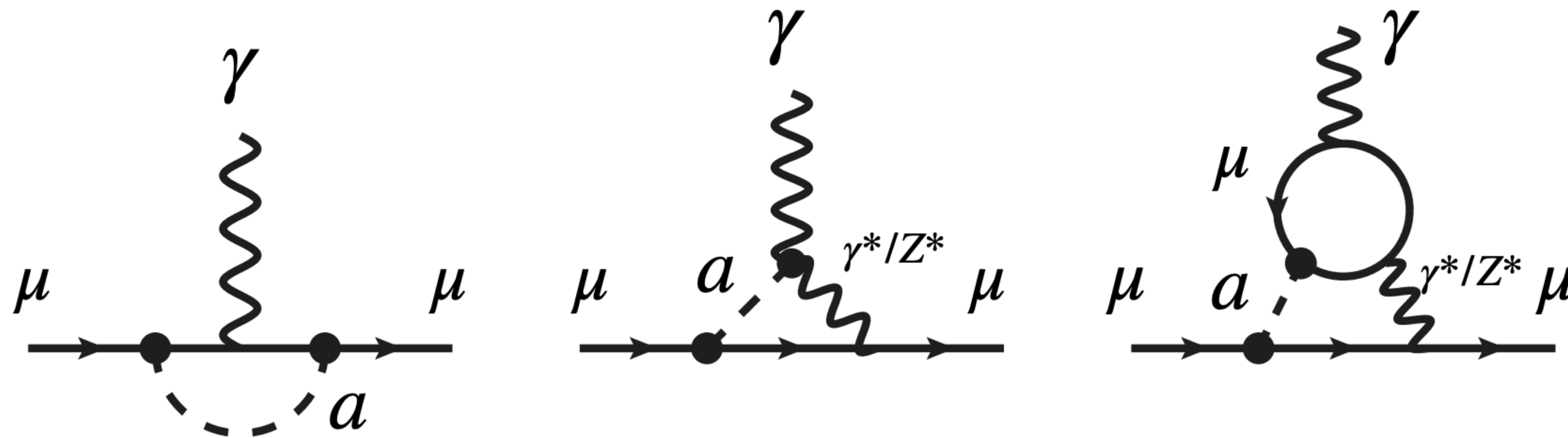
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- Couplings to muon, Hypercharge field B, and SU(2) W



W.Y. Keung et al, hep-ph/0009292

W.J. Marciano et al. 1607.01022

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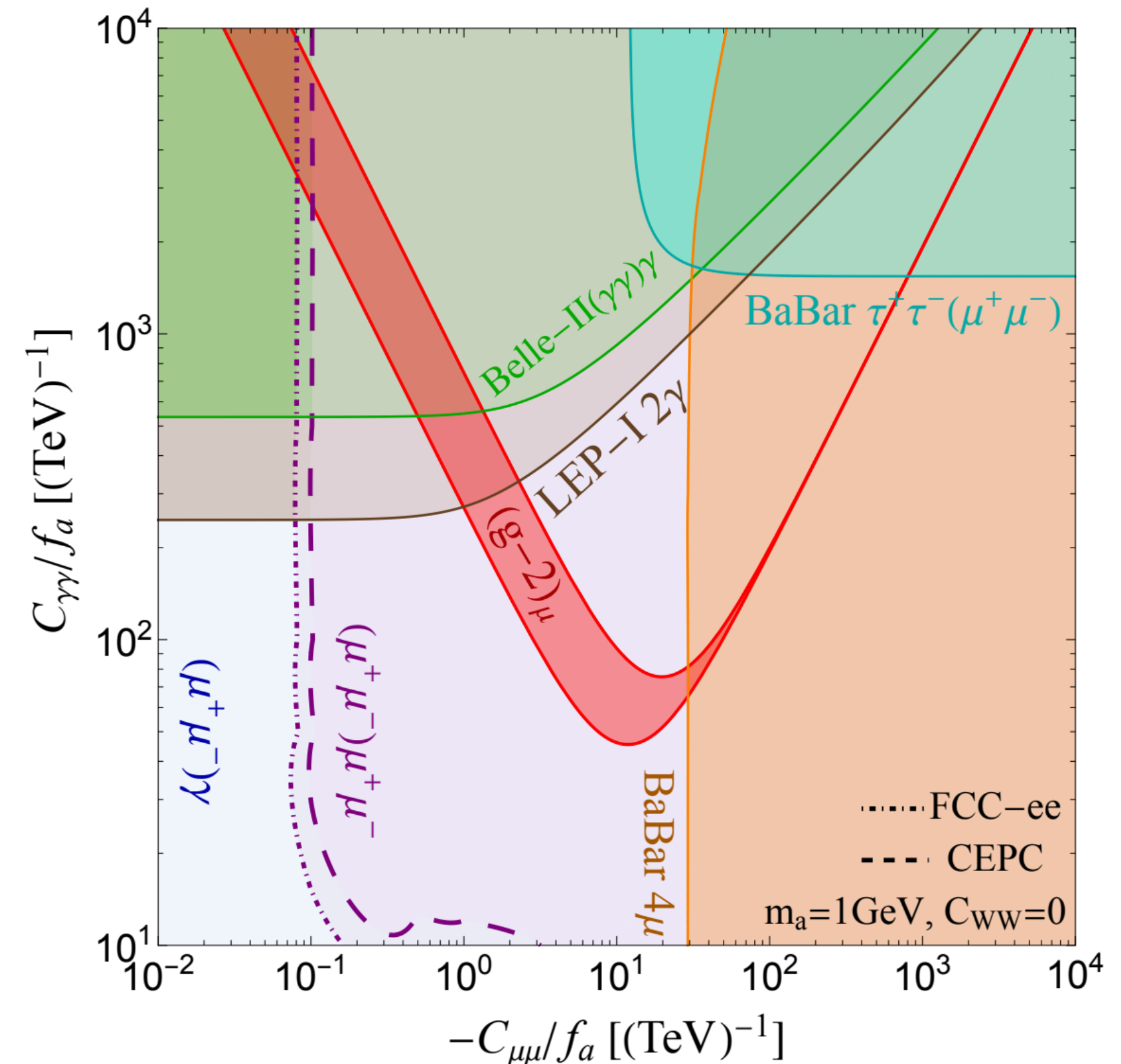
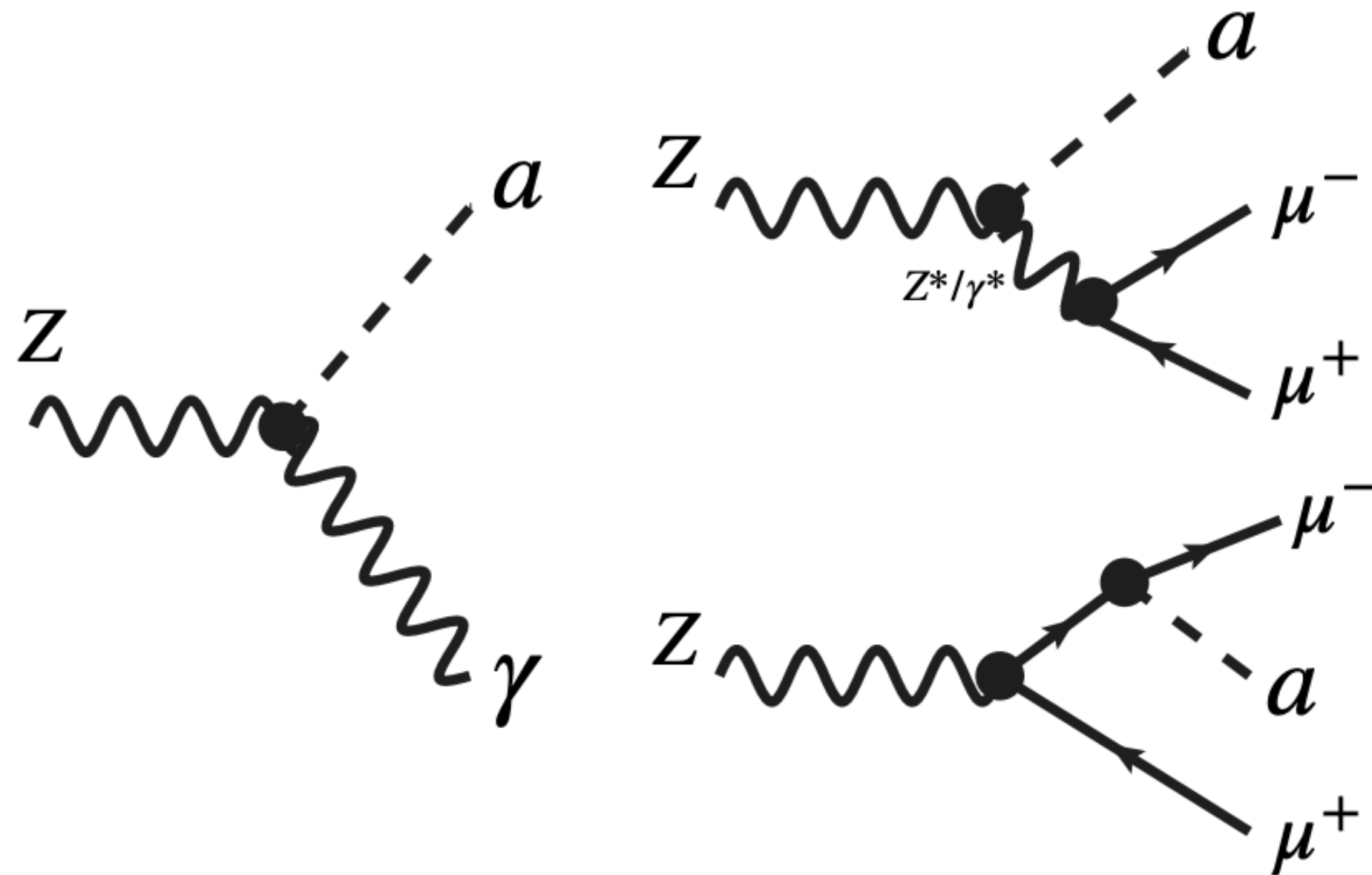
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- A connection to muon g-2 and future Z-factory

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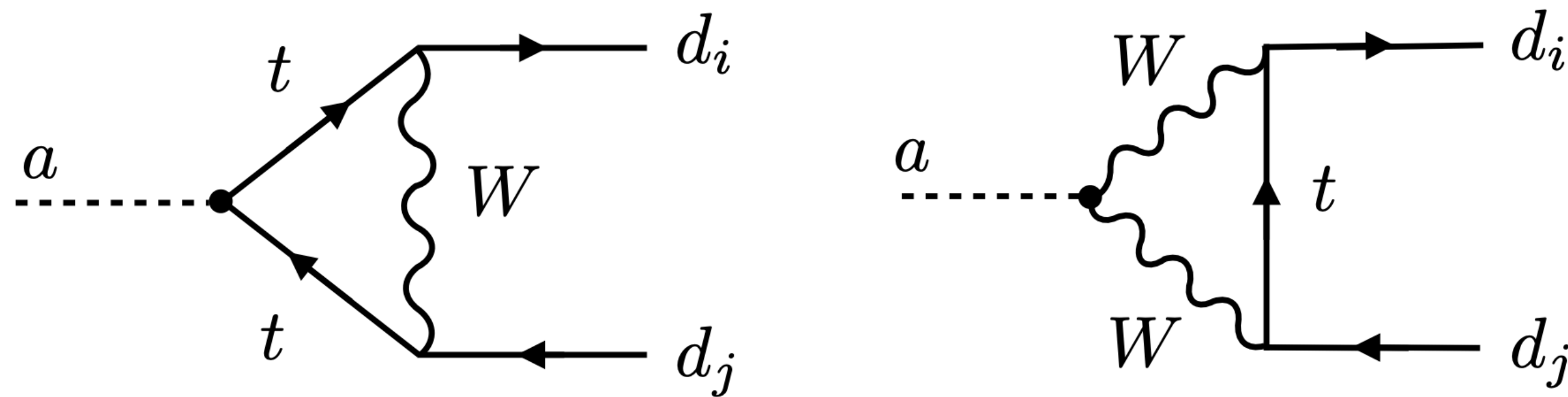
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- Z exotic decays

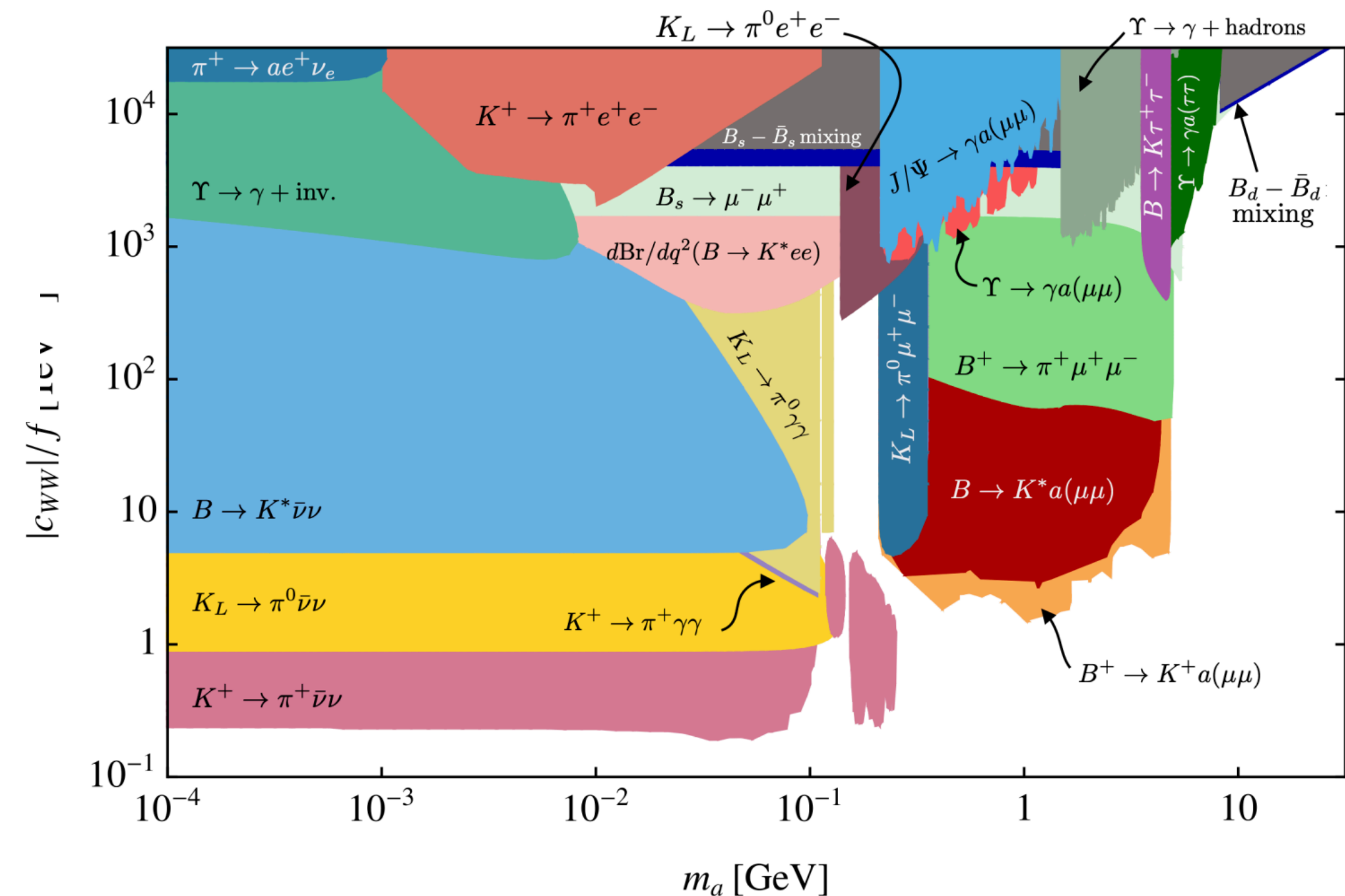


The Pseudoscalar Portal: Axion, ALP

- The general Lagrangian (usually people consider flavor diagonal)
- However, if starting from high energy, it will end up with flavor off-diagonal interactions at low energy: $\mathbf{C}_F \rightarrow \mathbf{C}_F^{ij}$



- Providing ALP motivations to Flavor Searches at low energy, e.g. BES-III, Belle-II



The Scalar Portal: SM Higgs and Singlet scalars

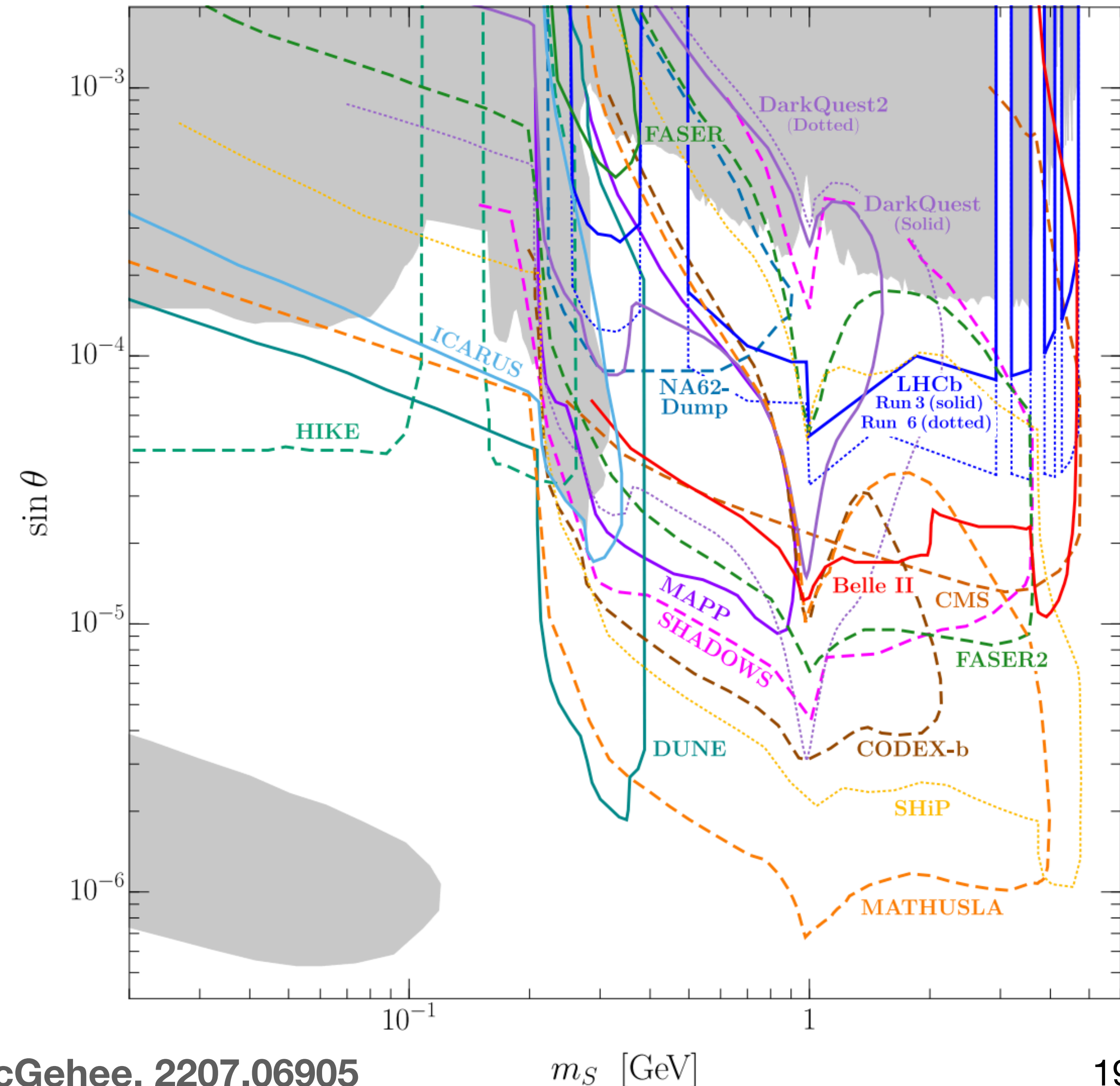
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$$- \mathcal{L} \supset (A S + \lambda S^2) H^\dagger H$$

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- S-h mixing angle θ : $\sin \theta \frac{m_f}{v} S f \bar{f}$

- Two parameters: $m_S, \sin \theta$



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- More Baroque setup is possible
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Type-X 2HDM + Singlet

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{yuk}} = -\lambda_u \bar{Q} \tilde{\Phi}_2 u_R - \lambda_d \bar{Q} \Phi_2 d_R - \lambda_e \bar{L} \Phi_1 e_R + h.c.,$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} \text{Re} [\Phi_1^0] \\ \sqrt{2} \text{Re} [\Phi_2^0] \\ \phi_0 \end{pmatrix} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha & \sin \theta_{1\phi} \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha & \sin \theta_{2\phi} \\ -\sin \theta_{1\phi} & -\sin \theta_{2\phi} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} H \\ h \\ \phi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\epsilon_q \simeq \frac{\sin \theta_{2\phi}}{\sin \beta}, \quad \epsilon_\ell \simeq \frac{\sin \theta_{1\phi}}{\cos \beta}.$$

$$\epsilon_W \simeq (\sin \theta_{1\phi} \cos \beta + \sin \theta_{2\phi} \sin \beta)$$

$$\approx \epsilon_\ell \cos^2 \beta + \epsilon_q \sin^2 \beta \approx \epsilon_q,$$

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- Coupling to specific flavor

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -g_u S \bar{u} u - g_\chi S \bar{\chi} \chi,$$

UV completed by Vector-like Fermions

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{VLQ}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} &+ \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu S \partial^\mu S - \frac{1}{2} m_S^2 S^2 + \bar{U}' i \gamma^\mu D_\mu U' - M \bar{U}' U' \\ &- [y_i \bar{Q}_L^i U_R^i H_c + \lambda^i \bar{U}'_L u_{Ri} S + \text{h.c.}] \end{aligned}$$

→ $\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{y_i \lambda^j}{M} S \bar{Q}_L^i u_{Rj} H_c + \text{h.c.}$

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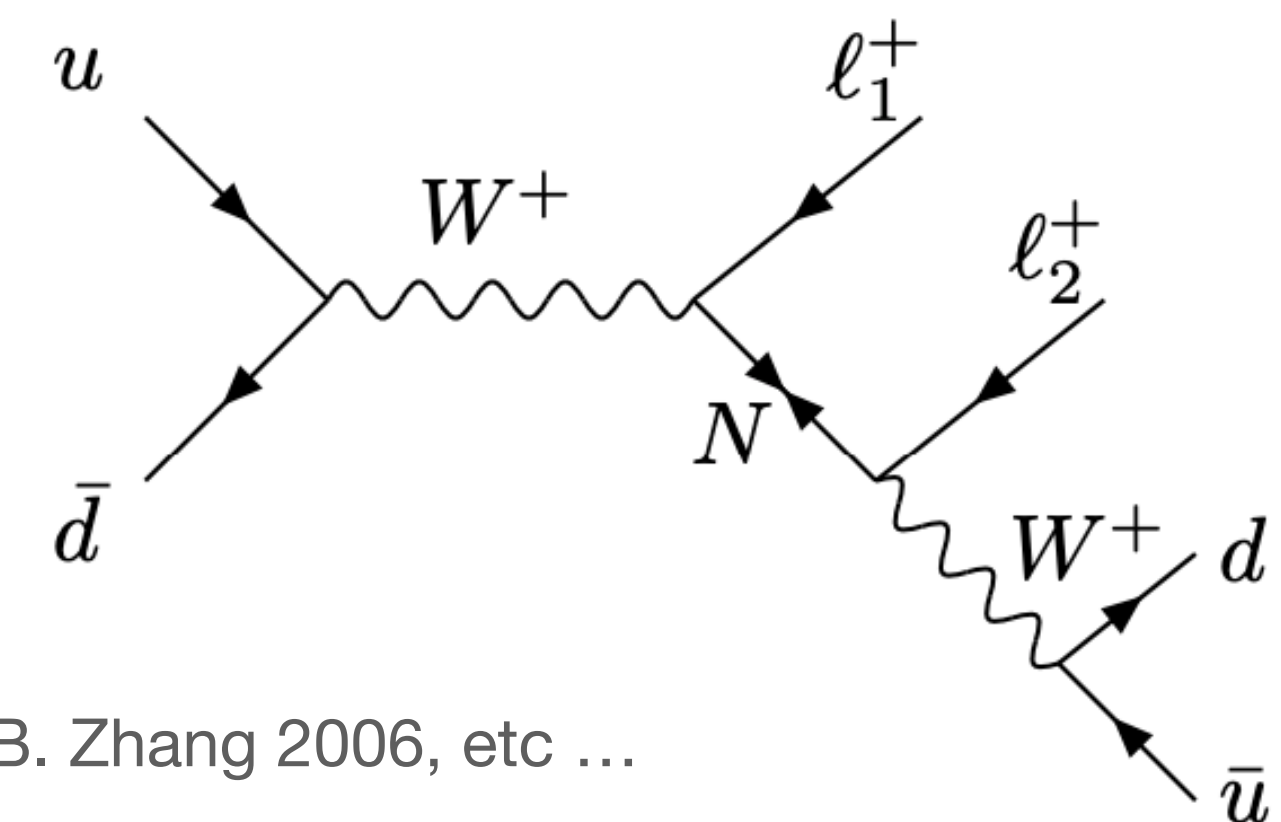
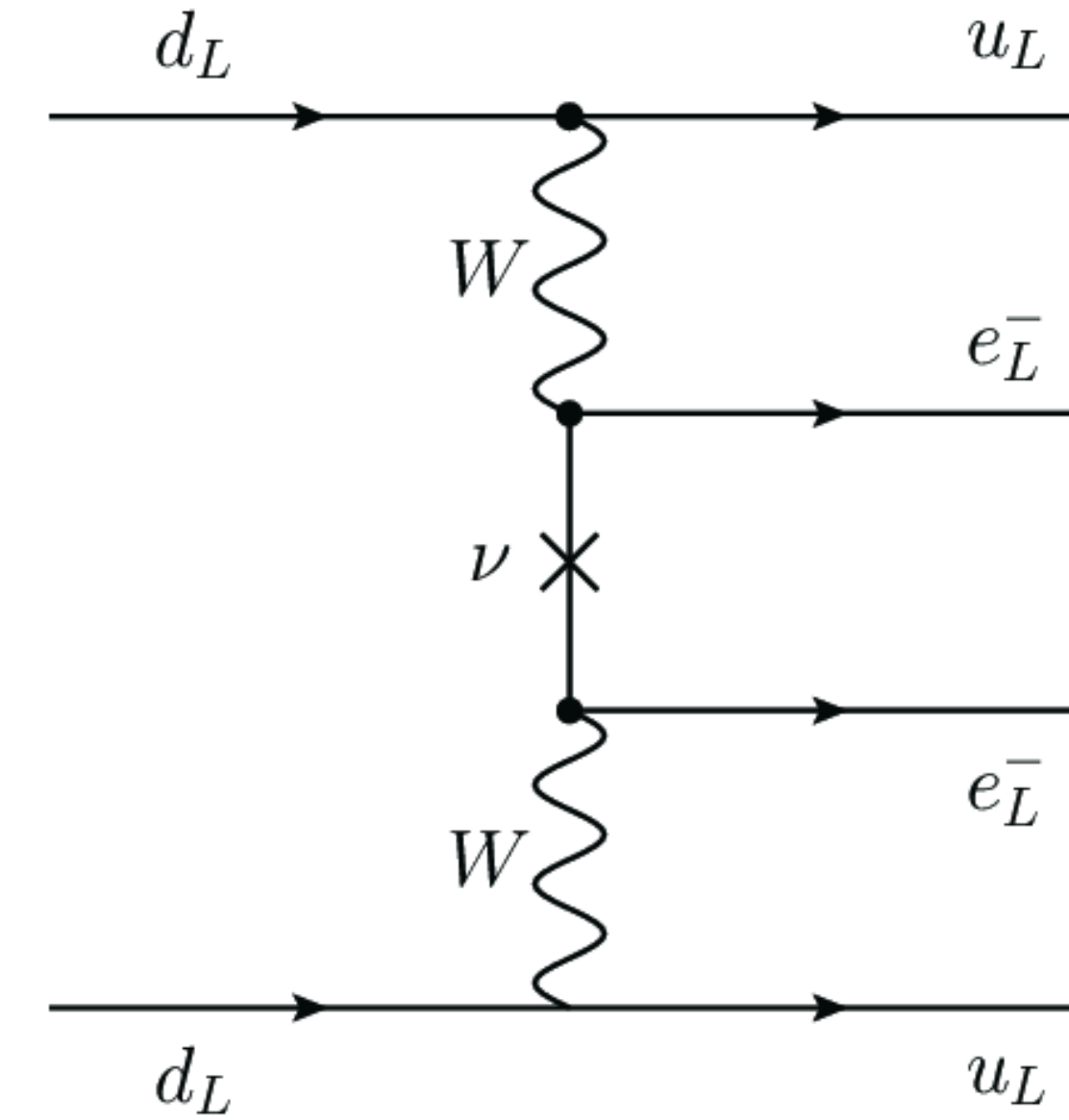
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The Fermion Portal: Gauge singlets

- Sterile neutrino N/ν_s

$$\mathcal{L} \supset y(LH) \cdot N + m_D N \cdot N$$
- Lepton number violation via Majorana neutrino
 - Same sign lepton searches
 - $0\nu\beta\beta$
 - Coherent production (on-shell)
 - Exotic meson/tau decays
 - $M^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell'^+ M'^-$
- Displaced searches for N (ν_s)



T. Han, B. Zhang 2006, etc ...

Helo, Hirsch, Kovalenko 2013; A. Maiezza, Nemevsek, Nesti 2015 ... etc

The Fermion Portal: Gauge non-singlets

Y. Bai, J. Berger [1402.6696, JHEP]

- The new vector-like fermion + Scalar

$$\mathcal{L} = y (\bar{f}_R \psi_L) \Phi + h.c.$$

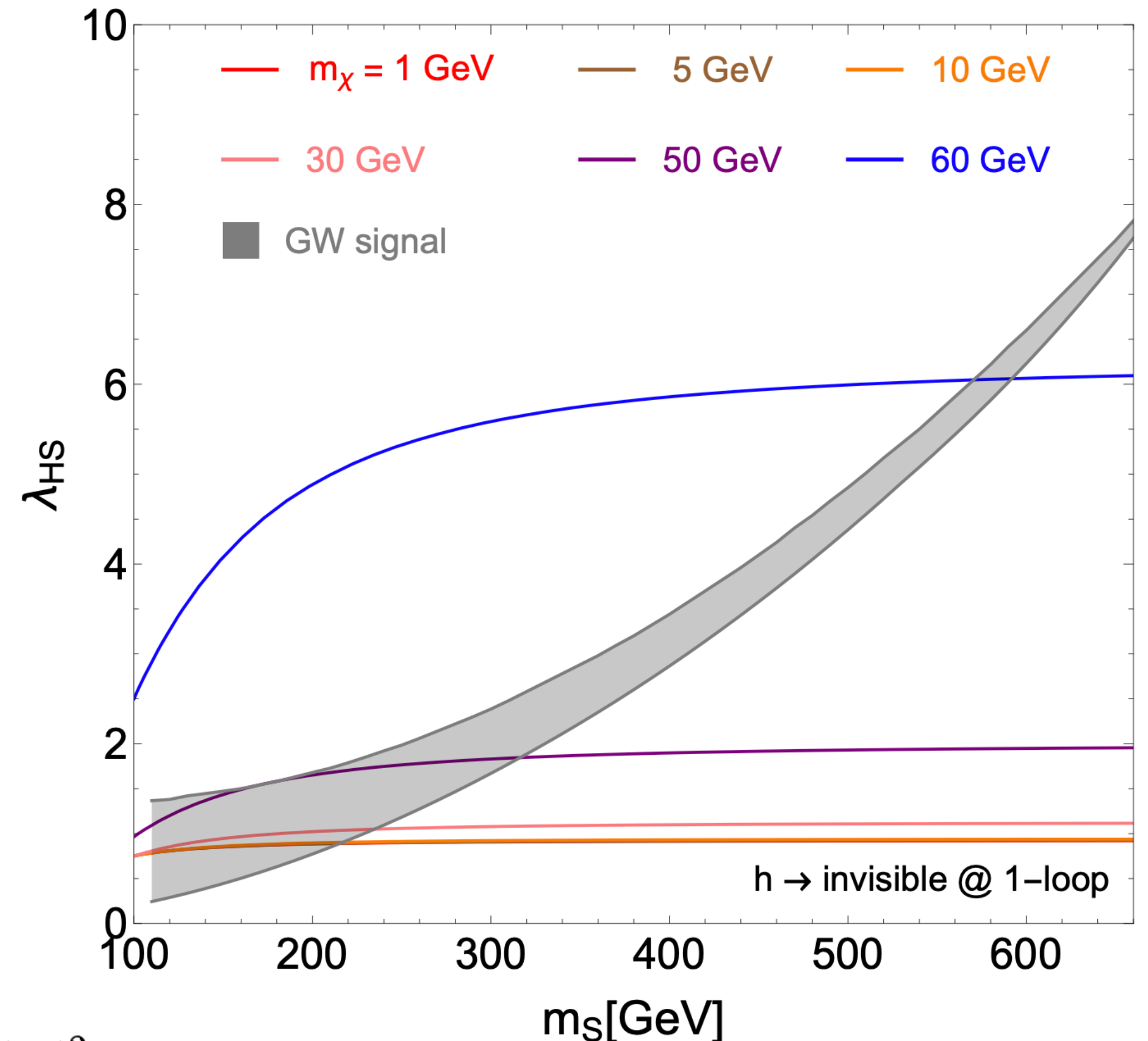
- With Z_2 symmetry assigned to ψ/Φ , the lighter one can be DM
- The lepton portal example:

$$\mathcal{L} = y_\ell (\ell_R \cdot \chi) S^* + h.c.$$
- The scalar S looks like slepton, can induce **first order phase transition**

$$\mathcal{L}_\chi = y_\ell \bar{\chi}_L S^\dagger \ell_R + h.c.,$$

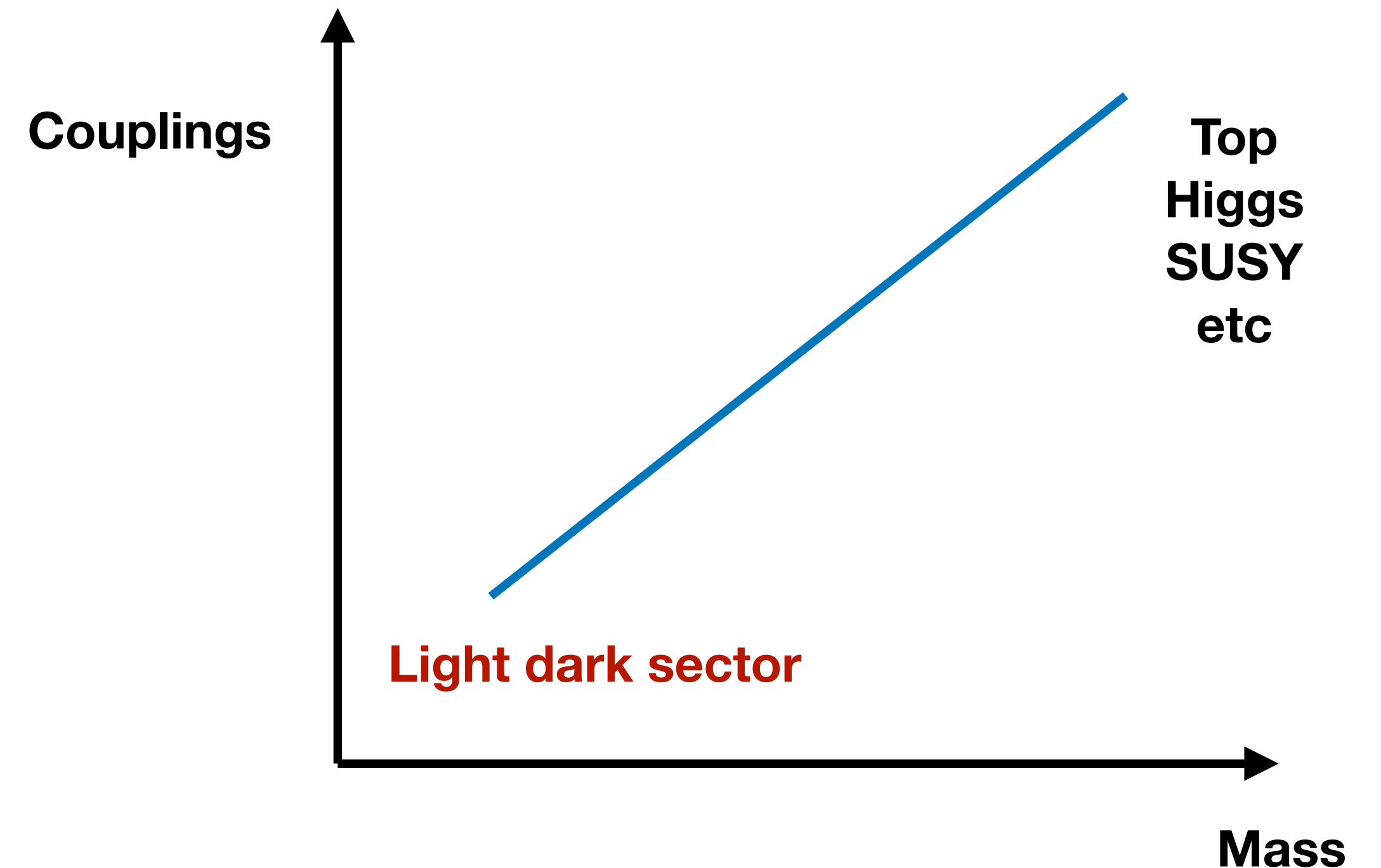
$$\mathcal{L}_S = (D^\mu S)^\dagger D_\mu S - V(H, S),$$

$$V(H, S) = \mu_H^2 |H|^2 + \mu_S^2 |S|^2 + \lambda_H |H|^4 + \lambda_S |S|^4 + 2\lambda_{HS} |H|^2 |S|^2$$



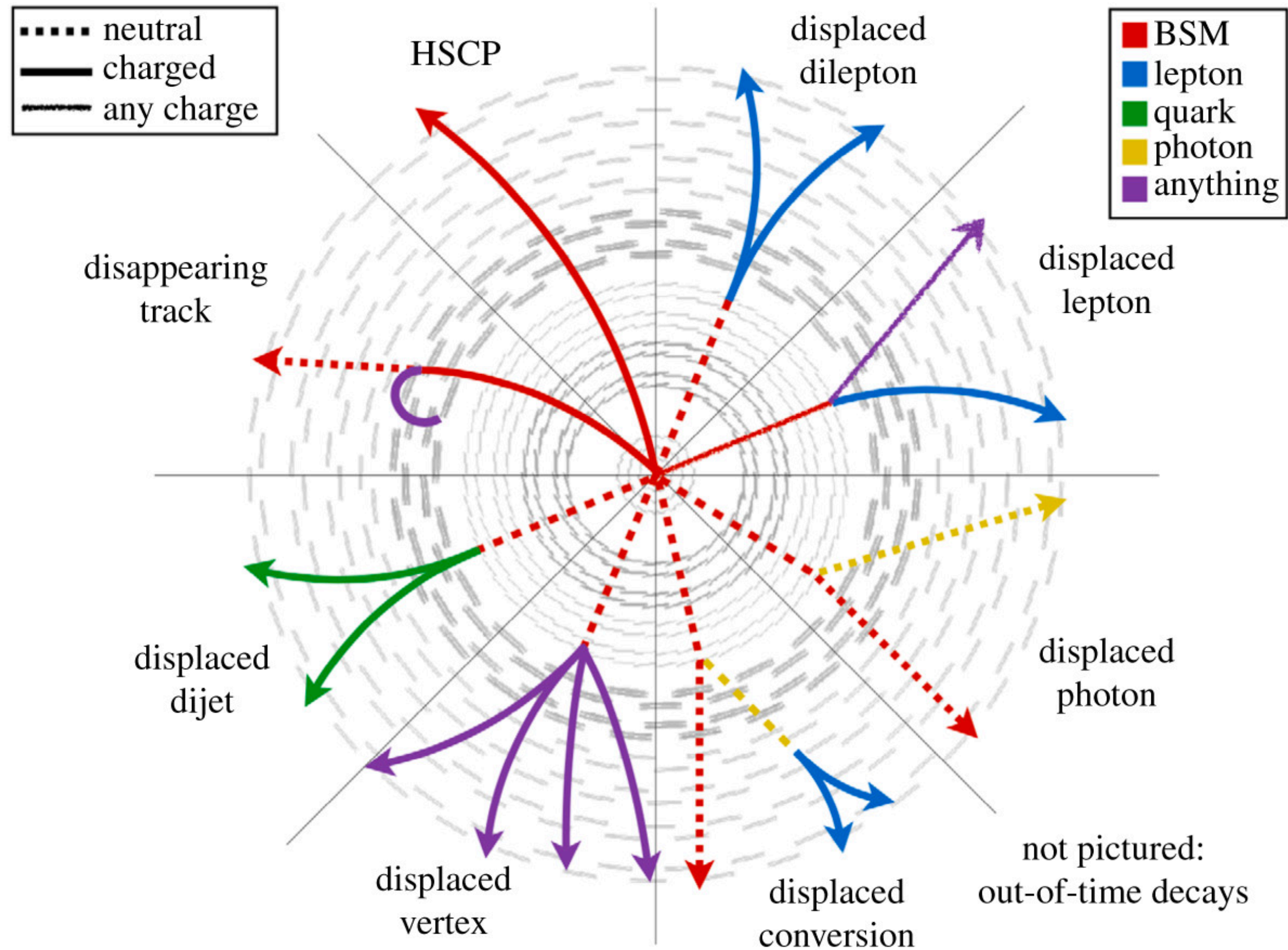
Exotic features: Long-Lived Particles

- Why being long-lived?
 - **Feeble couplings:**
Dark sector models, R-parity violating Supersymmetry, sterile neutrinos
 - **Suppression from heavy mass scale:**
muon/charged pion, gauge mediated spontaneous breaking Supersymmetry
 - **Near degenerate state:**
higgsino-like chargino/neutralino, or anomaly-mediated spontaneous breaking Supersymmetry
 - **Approximate symmetry:**
 K_L to three pions (accidental PS suppression)

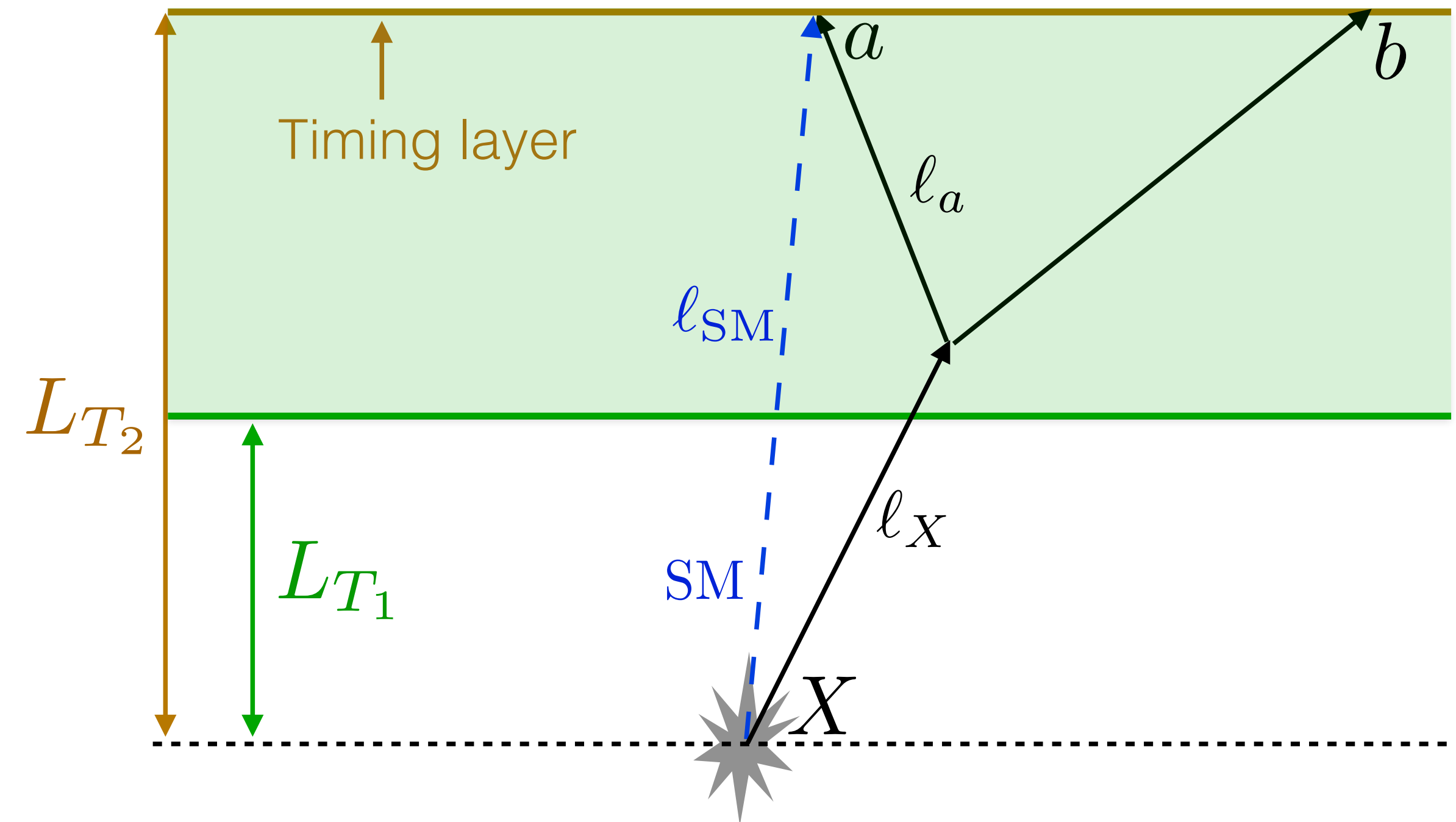


Exotic features: Long-Lived Particles

- Displacement as the feature



- Time-delay as the feature



Z. Liu, JL, L.T. Wang, PRL 122 (2019) 131801

Exotic features: time-varying particles

- Time-varying fundamental constants at AMO (e.g. electron mass/ fine structure constant)
- High physics energy scale (environmental effect)

- Time-varying neutrino parameters

- Dark MSW effect for neutrino oscillations

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{scalar}} = \bar{\nu}_L^\alpha i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \nu_L^\alpha - \frac{1}{2} m_\nu^{\alpha\beta} \overline{(\nu_L^c)^\alpha} \nu_L^\beta - \frac{1}{2} y^{\alpha\beta} \phi \overline{(\nu_L^c)^\alpha} \nu_L^\beta$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vector}} = \bar{\nu}_L^\alpha i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \nu_L^\alpha - \frac{1}{2} m_\nu^{\alpha\beta} \overline{(\nu_L^c)^\alpha} \nu_L^\beta + gQ^{\alpha\beta} \phi^\mu \bar{\nu}_L^\alpha \gamma_\mu \nu_L^\beta$$

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 - UV Model: ultralight complex scalar DM charged under U(1)'
 - Massive A' has kinetic mixing with SM

$$\left(D_\mu \phi\right)^* D^\mu \phi \supset \left(g' Q_\phi\right)^2 \phi^* \phi A'_\mu A'^\mu$$

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F'_{\mu\nu} F'^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_0^2 A'_\mu A'^\mu + \epsilon e A'_\mu J_{\text{em}}^\mu$$

- Ultralight ϕ DM obtain relic abundance via misalignment

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + m_\phi^2 \phi = 0 \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$\text{today : } \phi(t) \approx \phi_1 \cos(m_\phi t) + \phi_2 \sin(m_\phi t)$$

- The A' leads to time-varying invariant mass spectrum

$$m_{A'}^2(t) = \tilde{m}_0^2 \left(1 + \kappa \cos^2(m_\phi t) \right)$$

$$\text{Base value } m_0 \quad \tilde{m}_0^2 = m_0^2 + \left(g' Q_\phi\right)^2 \left(\phi_1^* \phi_1 + \phi_2^* \phi_2 - \sqrt{\xi^2 + \eta^2}\right)$$

$$\text{Oscillation amplitude } \kappa \quad \kappa \equiv 2(g' Q_\phi)^2 \sqrt{\xi^2 + \eta^2} / \tilde{m}_0^2,$$

Summary

- There are extremely rich physics for exotic particles in BSM
- Exotic particles from various portal models
 - Vector, pseudo scalar, scalar, fermion portals
- Exotic particle physics
 - Long-Lived Particles
 - Time-varying particle parameters: mass, interaction strength etc...
- A joint search program from intensity/energy/cosmic frontiers is necessary to hunt for exotic particles.

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