

SEARCHING FOR DARK PHOTONS AT THE FPF

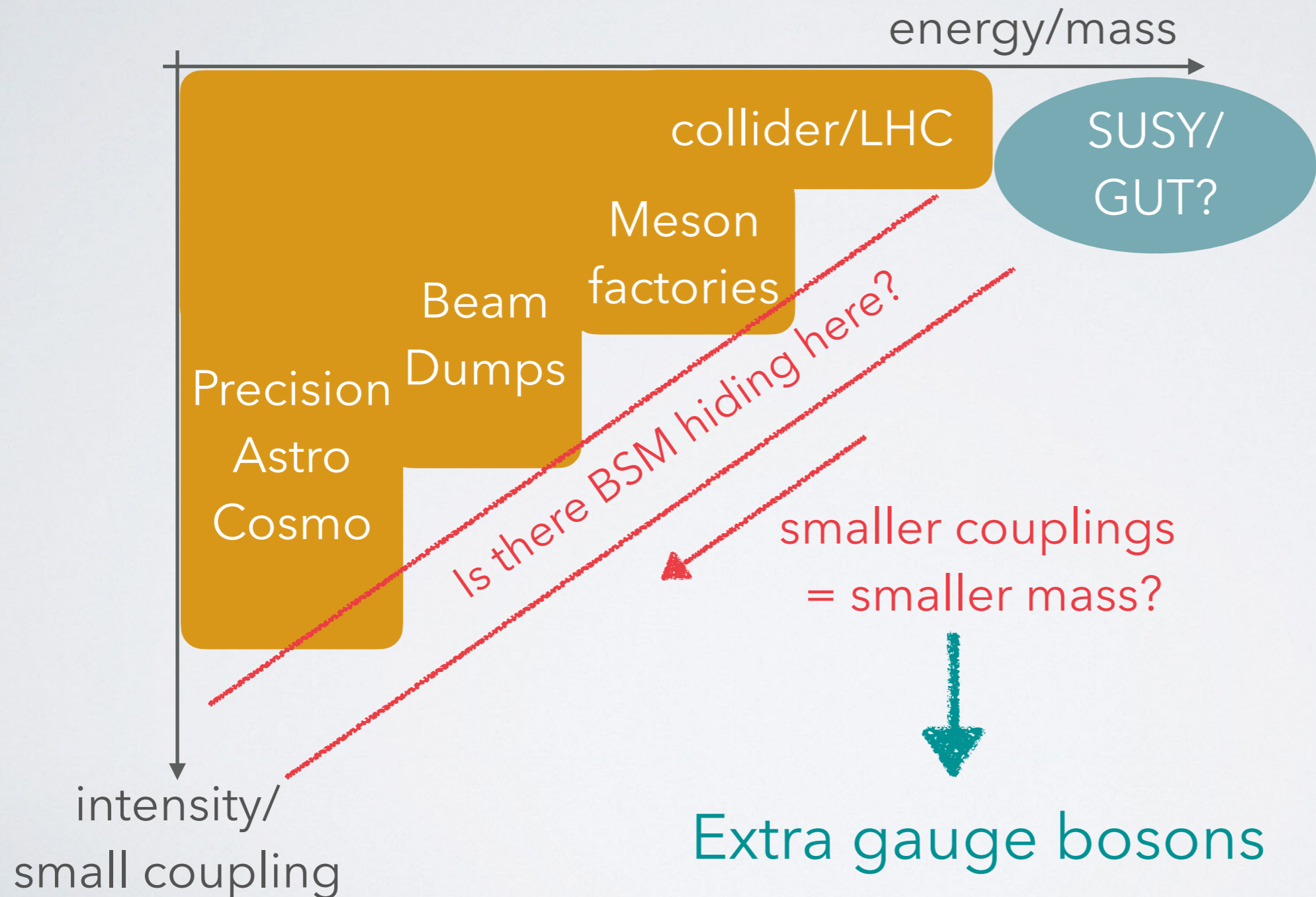
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WHERE TO LOOK FOR BSM

- Many UV theories predict heavy new states with sizeable couplings (e.g. SUSY, GUTs, String Models, ...)



DARK PHOTONS

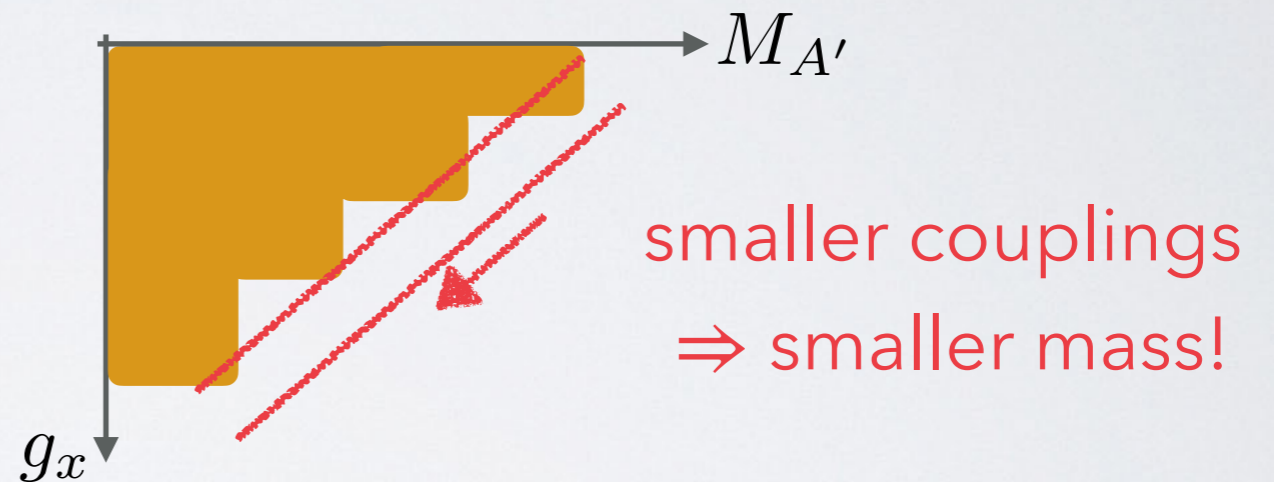
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} - \frac{1}{4} X_{\mu\nu} X^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\epsilon}{2} B_{\mu\nu} X^{\mu\nu} - \frac{M_X^2}{2} X_\mu X^\mu - g_x J_\mu^X X^\mu$$

[Holdom; PLB 166, 196]

- If $U(1)_X$ is broken by VEV f of scalar, mass is related to coupling:

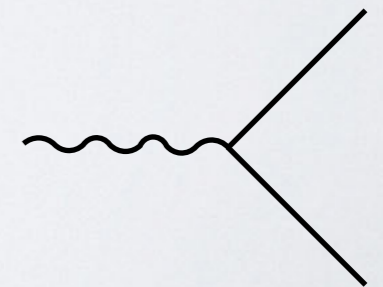
$$\mathcal{L} = (D_\mu S)^\dagger D^\mu S \supset g_x^2 f^2 A'_\mu A'^\mu$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{A'} = g_x f$$



- For light mediators $M_{A'} \ll M_Z$ kinetic terms can be diagonalised by simple field redefinition:

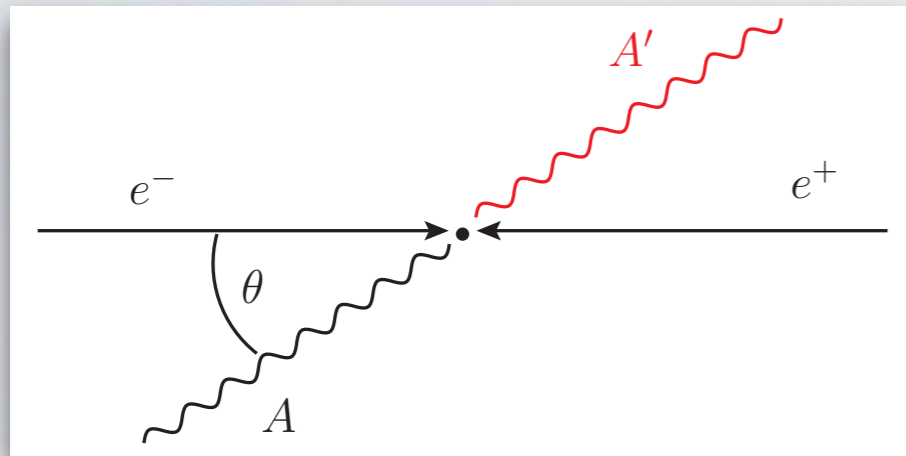
$$A^\mu \rightarrow A^\mu - \epsilon A'^\mu \quad \rightarrow \quad e A_\mu J_{\text{EM}}^\mu - \epsilon e A'_\mu J_{\text{EM}}^\mu$$



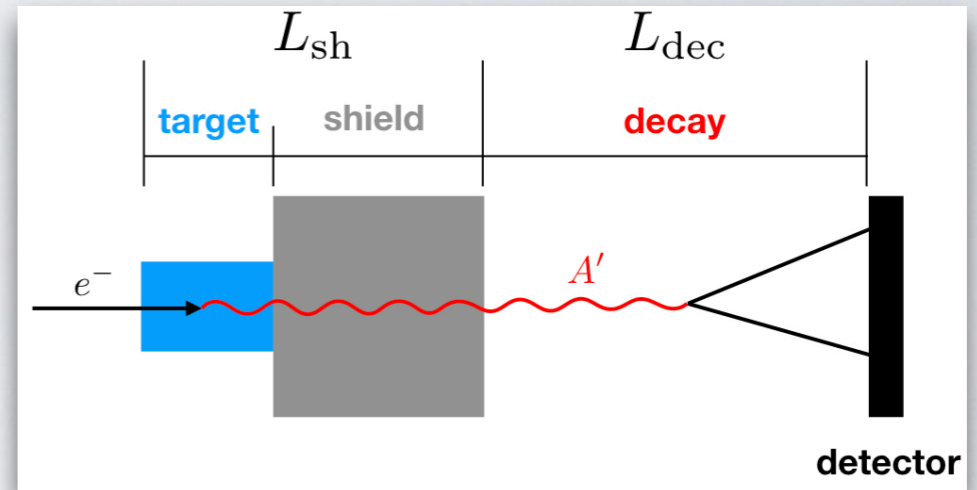
Hidden Photon couples to EM current suppressed by ϵ !

DARK PHOTON SEARCHES

Colliders:

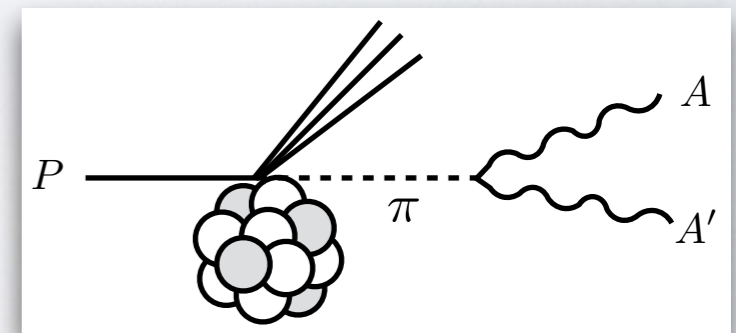
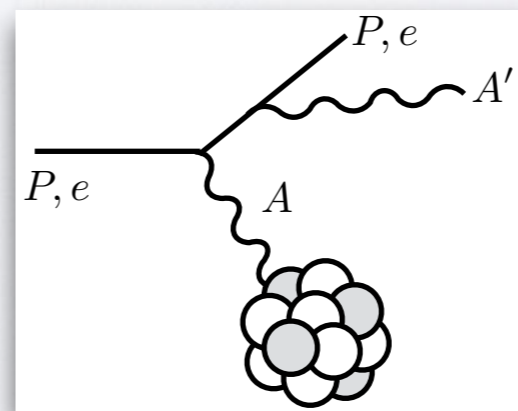
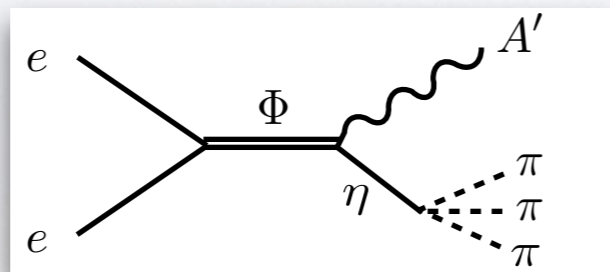
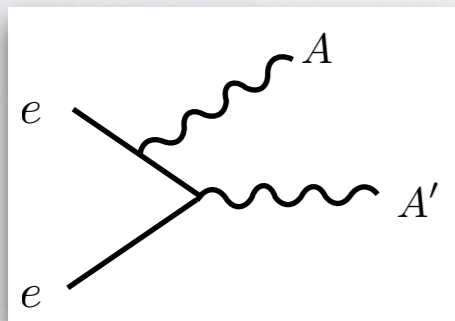


Beam dumps/forward experiments:



$$P_{\text{dec}} = e^{-\frac{L_{\text{sh}}}{\ell_{A'}}} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{L_{\text{dec}}}{\ell_{A'}}} \right)$$

• Production:



$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{coll}} \approx \mathcal{O}(10^{-1}) \text{ ab}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

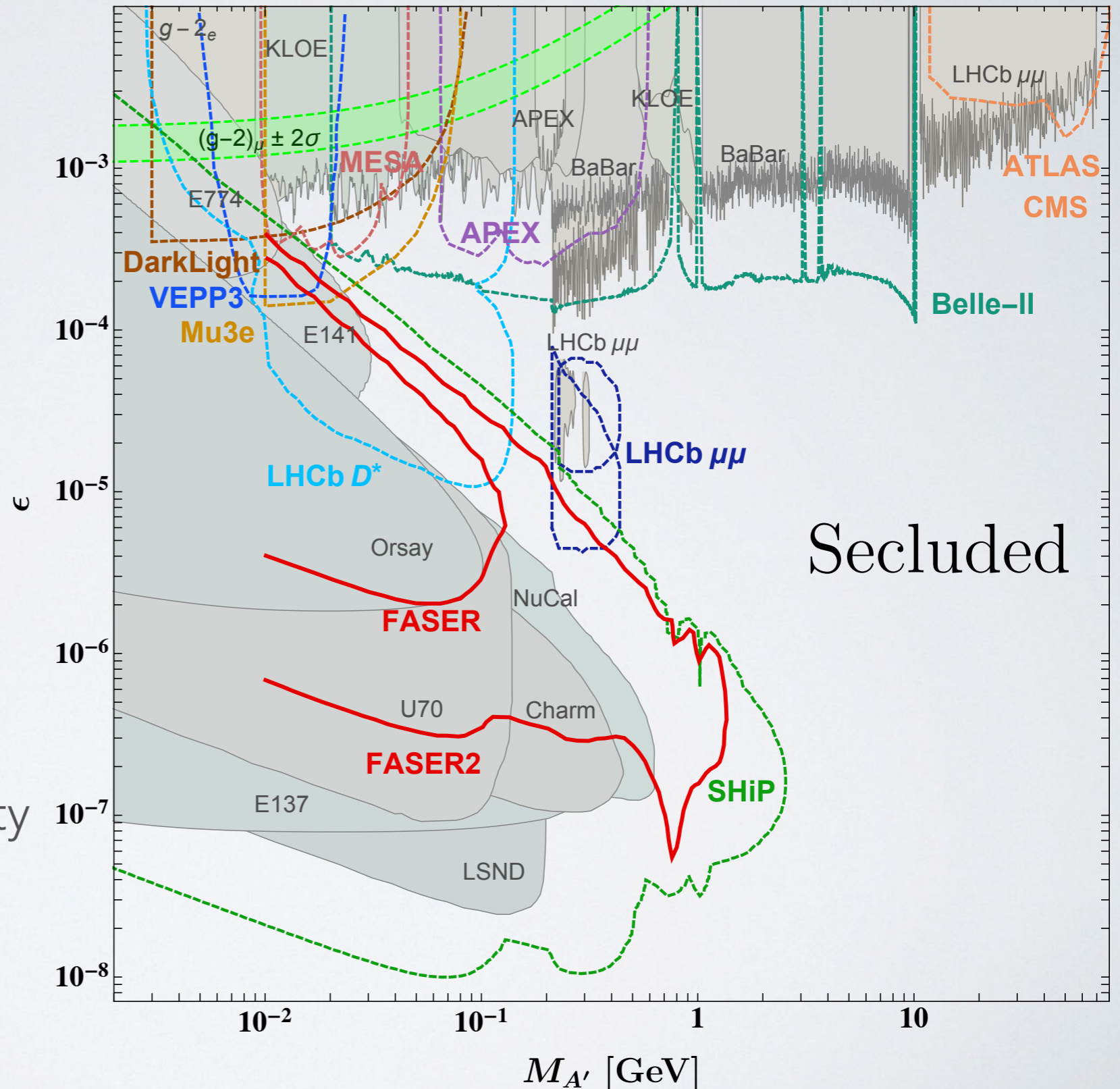
$$\sigma_{A'}^{\text{coll}} \propto \frac{\alpha^2 \epsilon^2}{E_{\text{CM}}^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{bd}} \approx \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ ab}^{-1} \text{ d}^{-1}$$

$$\sigma_{A'}^{\text{bd}} \propto \frac{\alpha^3 Z^2 \epsilon^2}{M_{A'}^2}$$

SECLUDED $U(1)_X$

- Minimal secluded $U(1)_X$ model for $J_\mu^X = 0$ (only kinetic mixing)
- A' produced in EM processes like bremsstrahlung, radiative return and meson decays
- FASER(2) will be able to search for A' in visible decays and push sensitivity significantly



ANOMALY FREE GAUGE EXTENSIONS

$$J_X^\mu \neq 0$$

GAUGING SM SYMMETRIES

- In general, there are two possibilities for anomaly free $U(1)_X$:

$$(i) \quad X = B - x_e L_e - x_\mu L_\mu - (3 - x_e - x_\mu) L_\tau,$$

$$(ii) \quad X = y_e L_e + y_\mu L_\mu - (y_e + y_\mu) L_\tau,$$

- Consider three popular anomaly-free models:

$$B - L$$

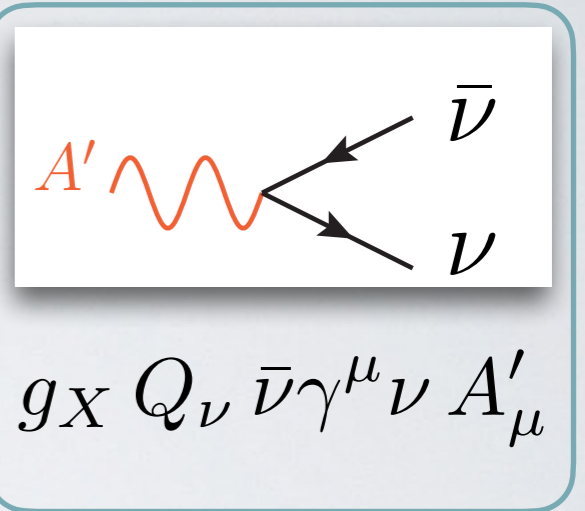
Universal
quark & lepton
charges

$$L_i - L_j$$

charging i th &
 j th generation
leptons

$$B - 3L_i$$

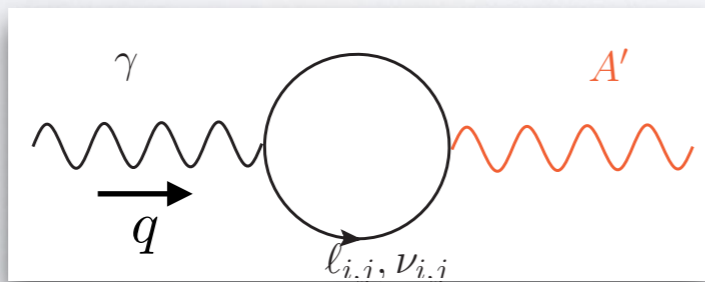
Universal quark &
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Generic feature:
Neutrino interactions

- Loop-induced mixing is unavoidable!

However, it is finite and calculable for $L_i - L_j$:

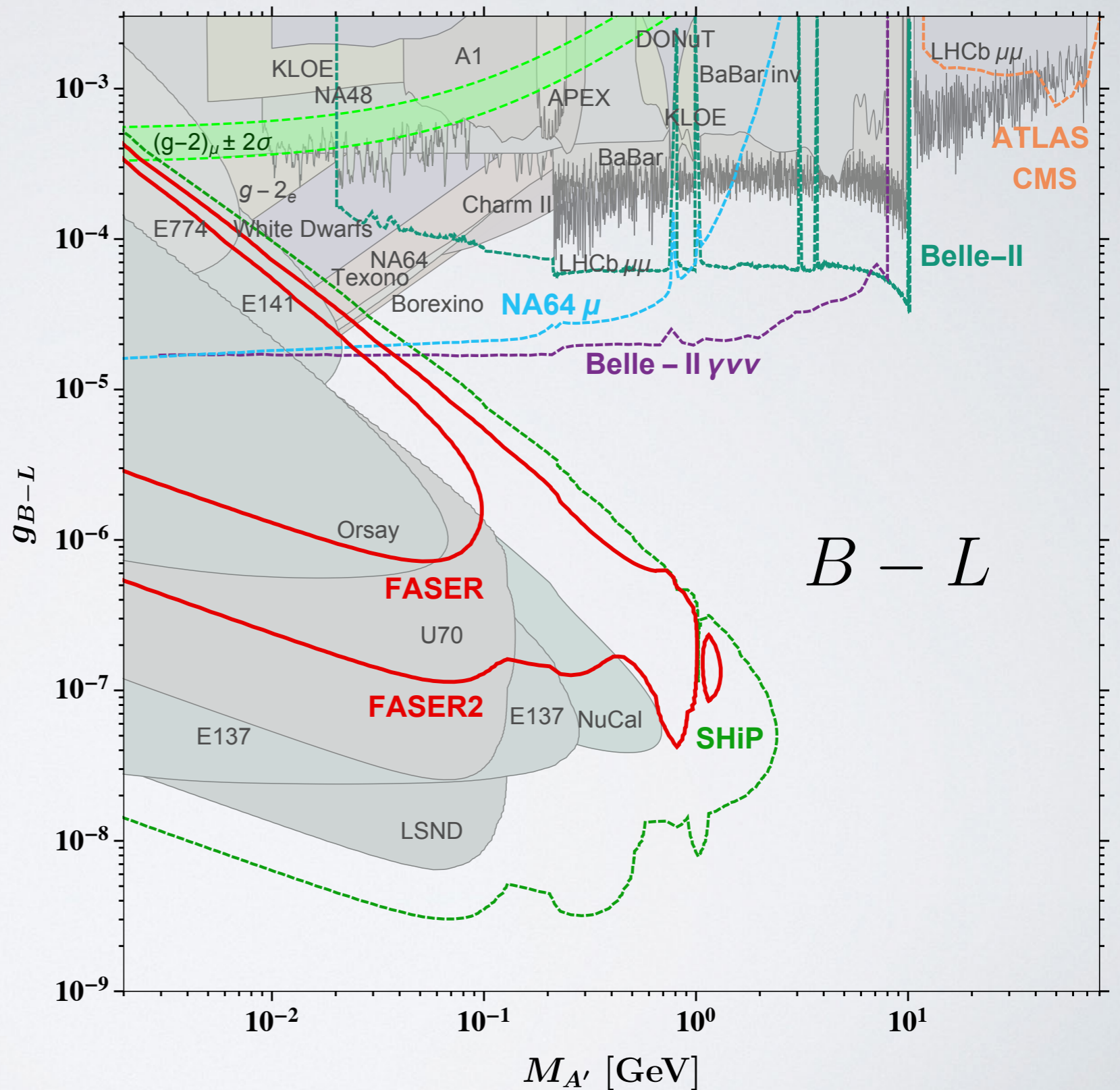


$$\Rightarrow \frac{\epsilon_{ij}(q^2)}{2} F^{\mu\nu} F'_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\epsilon_{ij}(q^2) = \frac{e g_{ij}}{2\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx x(1-x) \left[\log \left(\frac{m_i^2 - x(1-x)q^2}{m_j^2 - x(1-x)q^2} \right) \right]$$

$B - L$

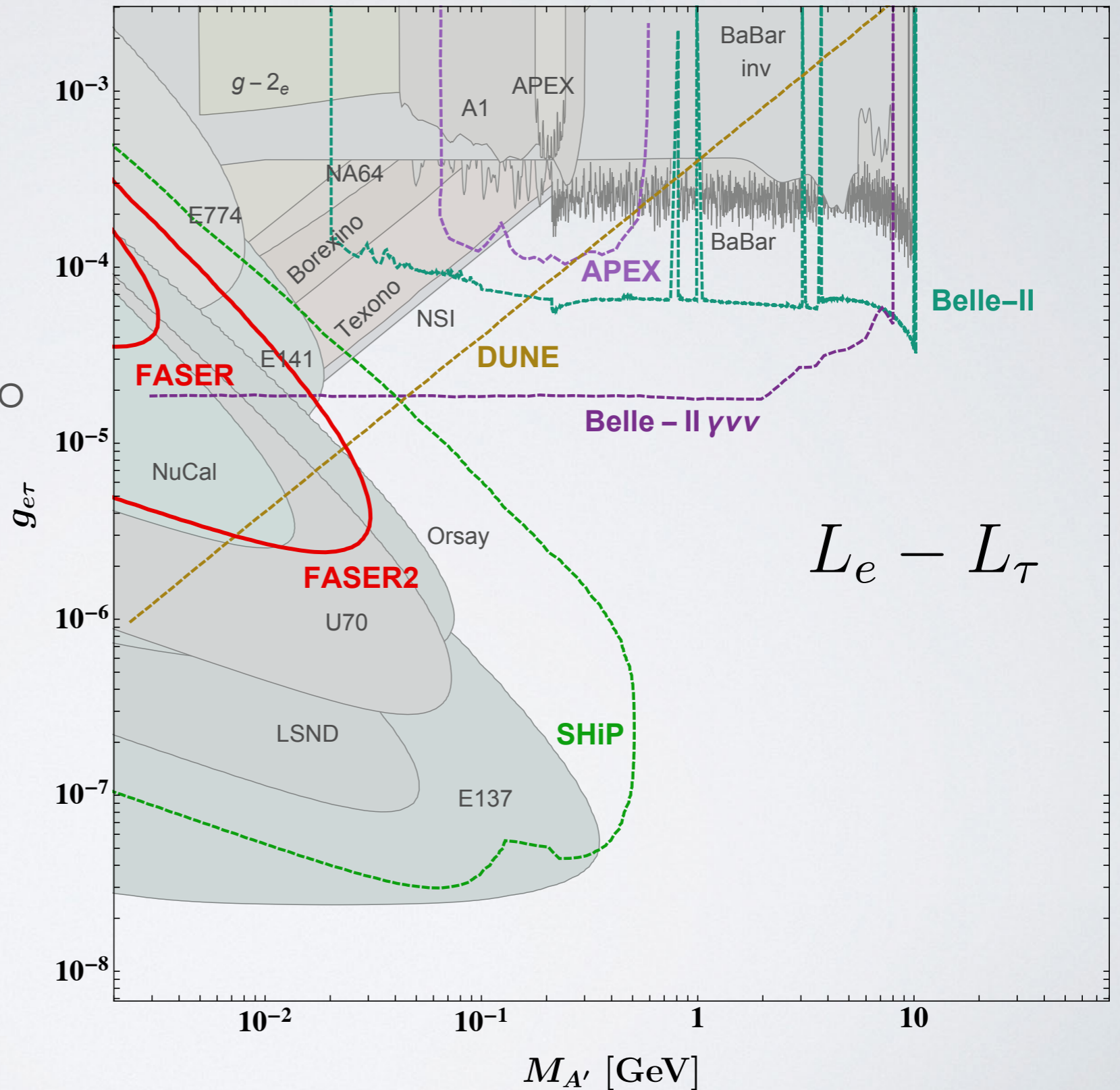
- Collider & beam dump limits very similar to *secluded* case
- Strong limits arise from neutrino scattering and invisible searches (Texono, Borexino, NA64)
- LHC can abundantly produce $B - L$ boson, FASER(2) has large sensitivity due to visible hadronic and leptonic decays



adapt.[Bauer, PF, Jaeckel; 1803.05466]

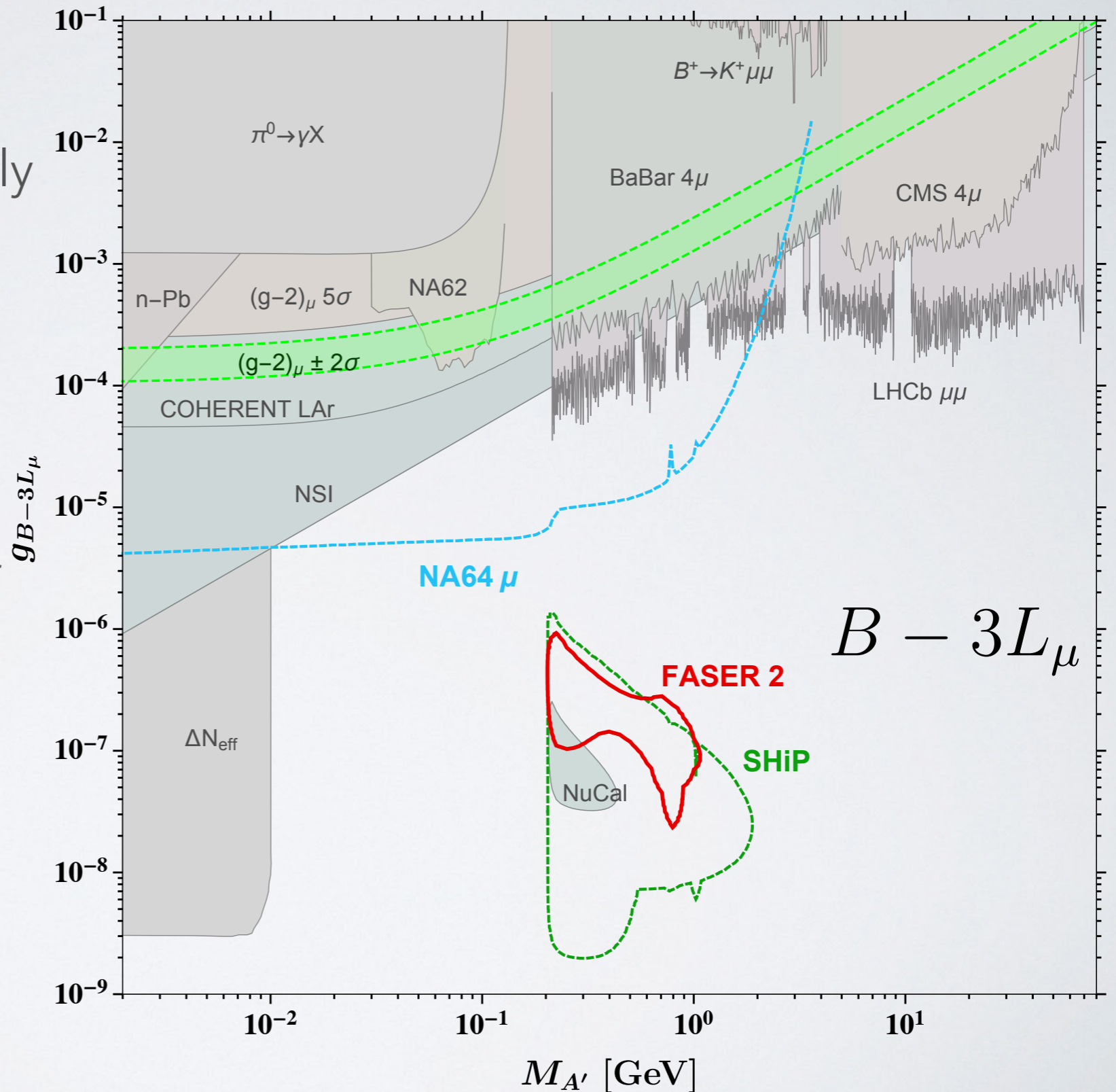
$L_e - L_\tau$

- LHC production of $L_i - L_j$ bosons proceeds only via loop-suppressed kinetic mixing!
- Strong limits from neutrino scattering, invisible searches and electron scattering
- FASER2 only sensitive to very small region of parameter space due to suppressed production



$B - 3L_\mu$

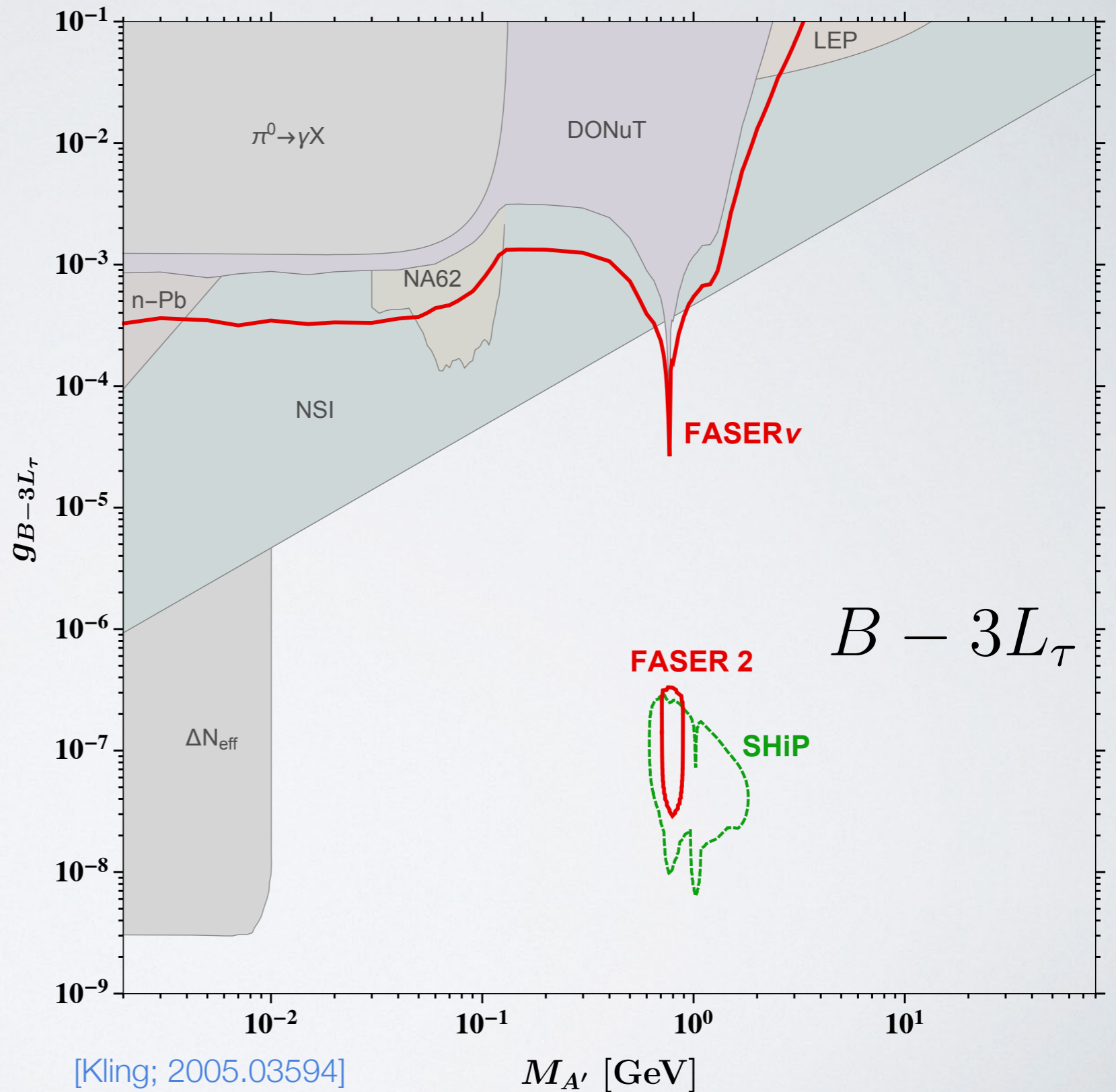
- Production and detection of gauge boson in electronic processes highly suppressed!
- FASER2 sensitive to displaced muonic decays
- ($B - 3L_e$ similar to case of $B - L_\tau$ -> see Backup)



[Bauer, PF, Mosny; 2011.12973]

$B - 3L_\tau$

- Production and detection of gauge boson in electronic and muonic processes highly suppressed!
- FASER2 sensitive to displaced hadronic decays at ω resonance
- FASER ν sensitive to extra tau neutrino scattering from A' decay



[Kling; 2005.03594]

[Bauer, PF, Mosny; 2011.12973]

$M_{A'}$ [GeV]

OPPORTUNITIES AT FPF

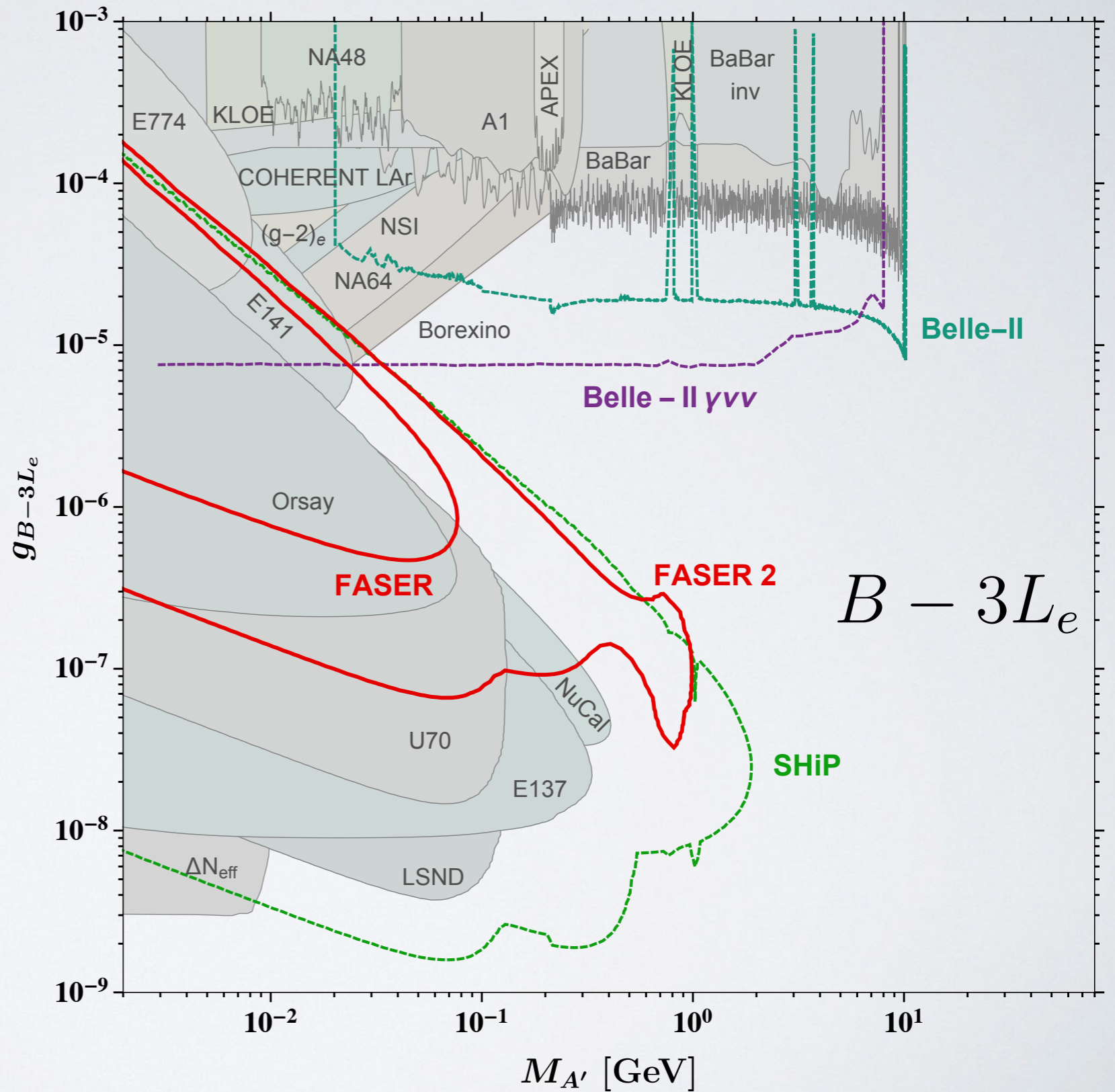
- The **FPF** will be an excellent facility to undertake a broad dark photon search program in displaced forward decays
- FASER can look for a plethora of anomaly-free $U(1)_X$ bosons in model-independent **searches of charged dilepton and hadron decays**
- FASERv can probe ν_τ **scattering** of extra neutrino production. Similar analysis for electron and muon flavoured interactions?
- If your favourite dark photon search is still missing please do get in touch!

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THANK YOU!

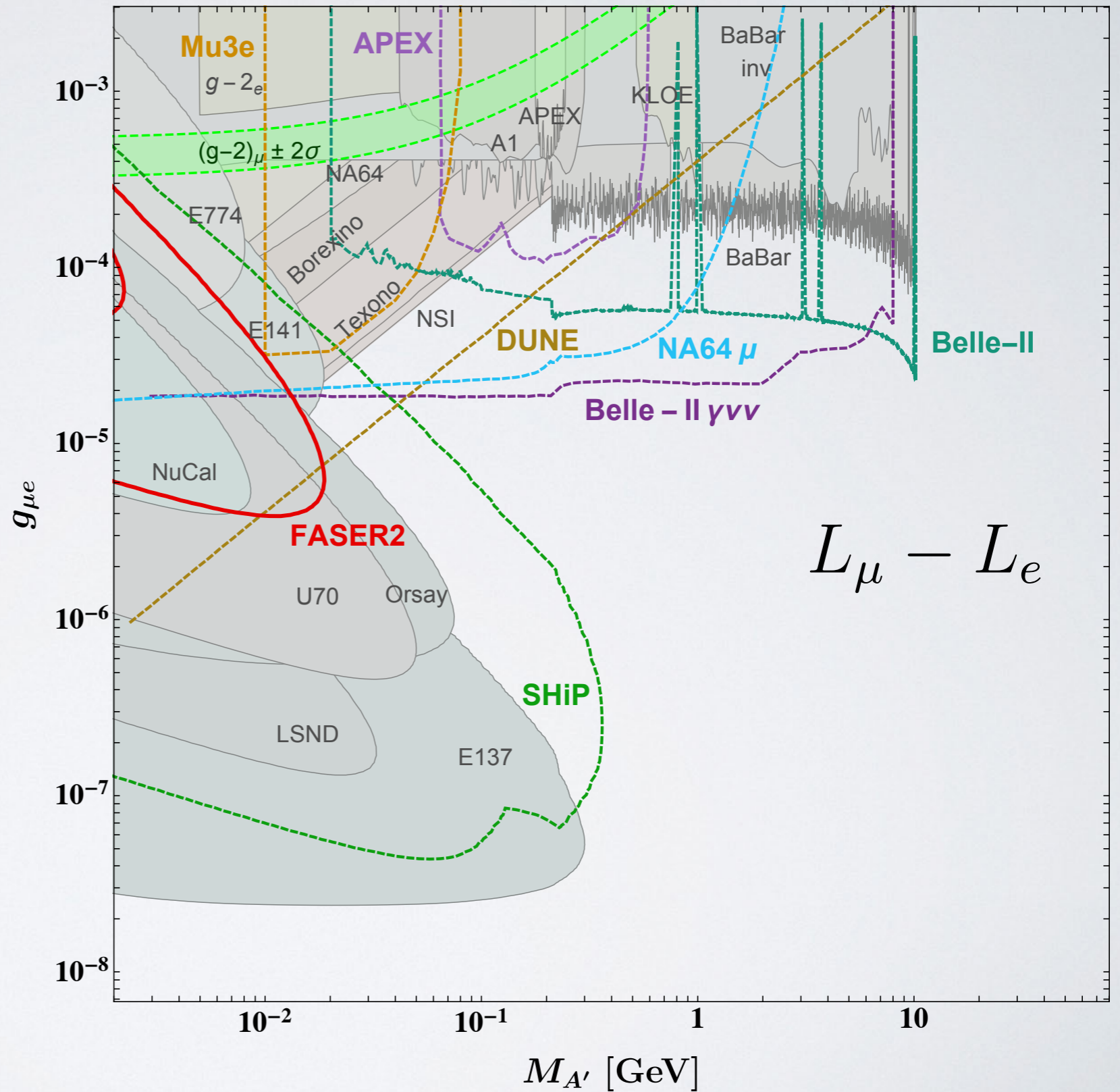
BACKUP

$B - 3L_e$

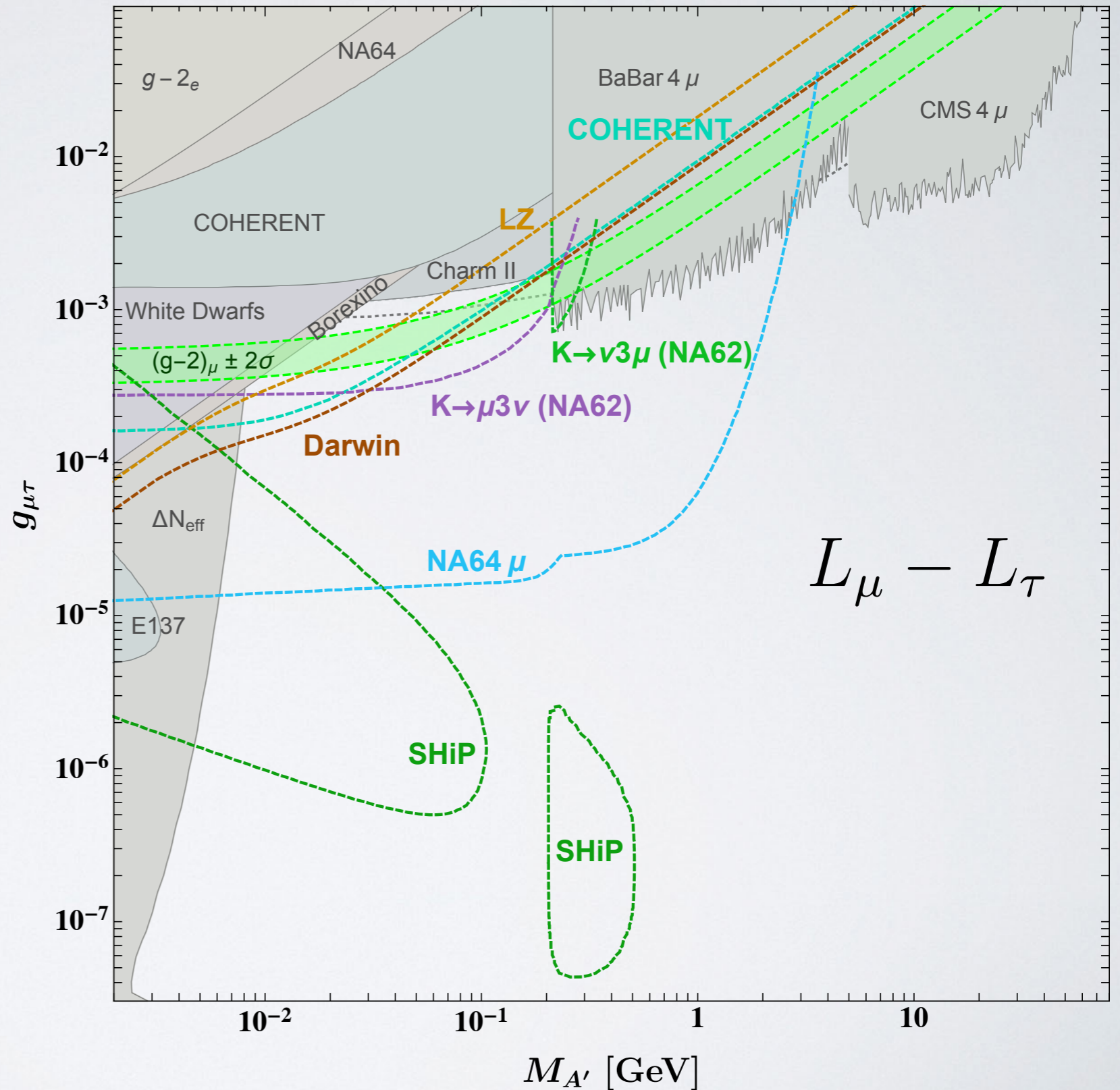


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$$L_\mu - L_e$$



$$L_\mu - L_\tau$$



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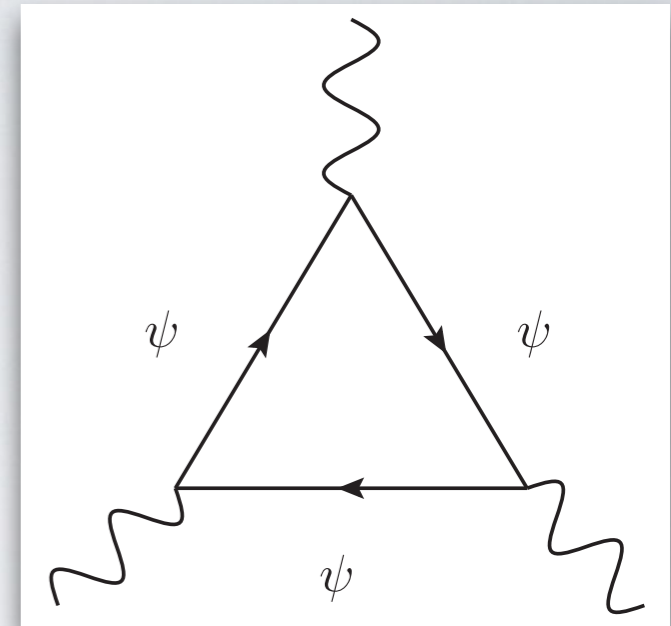
ANOMALY FREE $U(1)_X$ MODELS

- Constraints on possible charge assignments of SM fields plus 3 RH neutrinos from **anomaly cancellation**:

$$J_X^\mu = \sum_{\psi} \bar{\psi} Q_{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi \quad \text{with } \psi = Q, L, u, d, \ell, \nu$$

Define sum of family charges

$$X_{\psi}^n = \sum_i^3 (Q_{\psi_i})^n$$



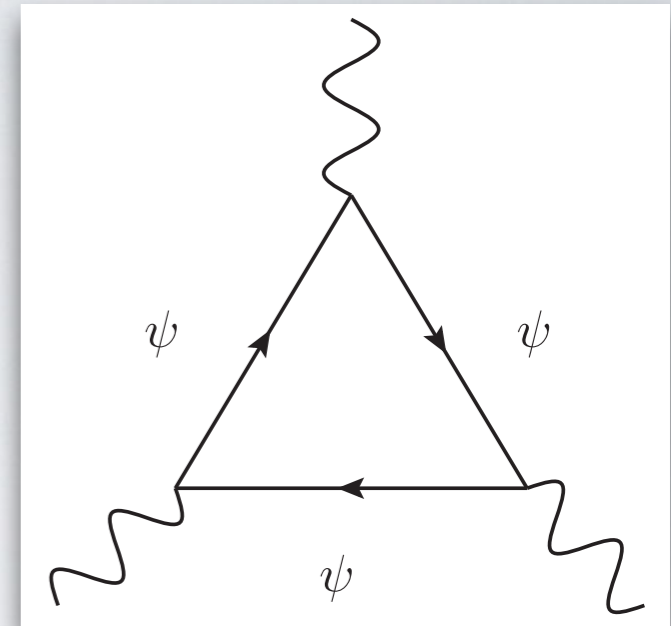
Anomaly	Charge combinations
$U(1)_X^3$	$2X_L^3 + 6X_Q^3 - X_\ell^3 - X_\nu^3 - 3(X_u^3 + X_d^3)$
$U(1)_X^2 U(1)_Y$	$2Y_L X_L^2 + 6Y_Q X_Q^2 - Y_\ell X_\ell^2 - Y_\nu X_\nu^2 - 3(Y_u X_u^2 + Y_d X_d^2)$
$U(1)_X U(1)_Y^2$	$2Y_L^2 X_L + 6Y_Q^2 X_Q - Y_\ell^2 X_\ell - Y_\nu^2 X_\nu - 3(Y_u^2 X_u + Y_d^2 X_d)$
$SU(3)^2 U(1)_X$	$2X_Q - X_u - X_d$
$SU(2)^2 U(1)_X$	$2X_L + 6X_Q$
$\text{grav}^2 U(1)_X$	$2X_L + 6X_Q - X_\ell - X_\nu - 3(X_u + X_d)$

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- Additional constraints from **Yukawa terms**:

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\psi} \bar{\psi} y_{\psi} \psi$$

[Bauer, PF, Mosny; 2011.12973]

Anomaly	Charge combinations	with Yukawa constraints
$U(1)_X^3$	$2X_L^3 + 6X_Q^3 - X_\ell^3 - X_\nu^3 - 3(X_u^3 + X_d^3)$	$X_L^3 - X_\nu^3$
$U(1)_X^2 U(1)_Y$	$2Y_L X_L^2 + 6Y_Q X_Q^2 - Y_\ell X_\ell^2 - Y_\nu X_\nu^2 - 3(Y_u X_u^2 + Y_d X_d^2)$	0
$U(1)_X U(1)_Y^2$	$2Y_L^2 X_L + 6Y_Q^2 X_Q - Y_\ell^2 X_\ell - Y_\nu^2 X_\nu - 3(Y_u^2 X_u + Y_d^2 X_d)$	$-\frac{1}{2} (X_L + 3X_Q)$
$SU(3)^2 U(1)_X$	$2X_Q - X_u - X_d$	0
$SU(2)^2 U(1)_X$	$2X_L + 6X_Q$	$2X_L + 6X_Q$
$\text{grav}^2 U(1)_X$	$2X_L + 6X_Q - X_\ell - X_\nu - 3(X_u + X_d)$	$X_L - X_\nu$