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# Dark states with electromagnetic form factors at FLArE

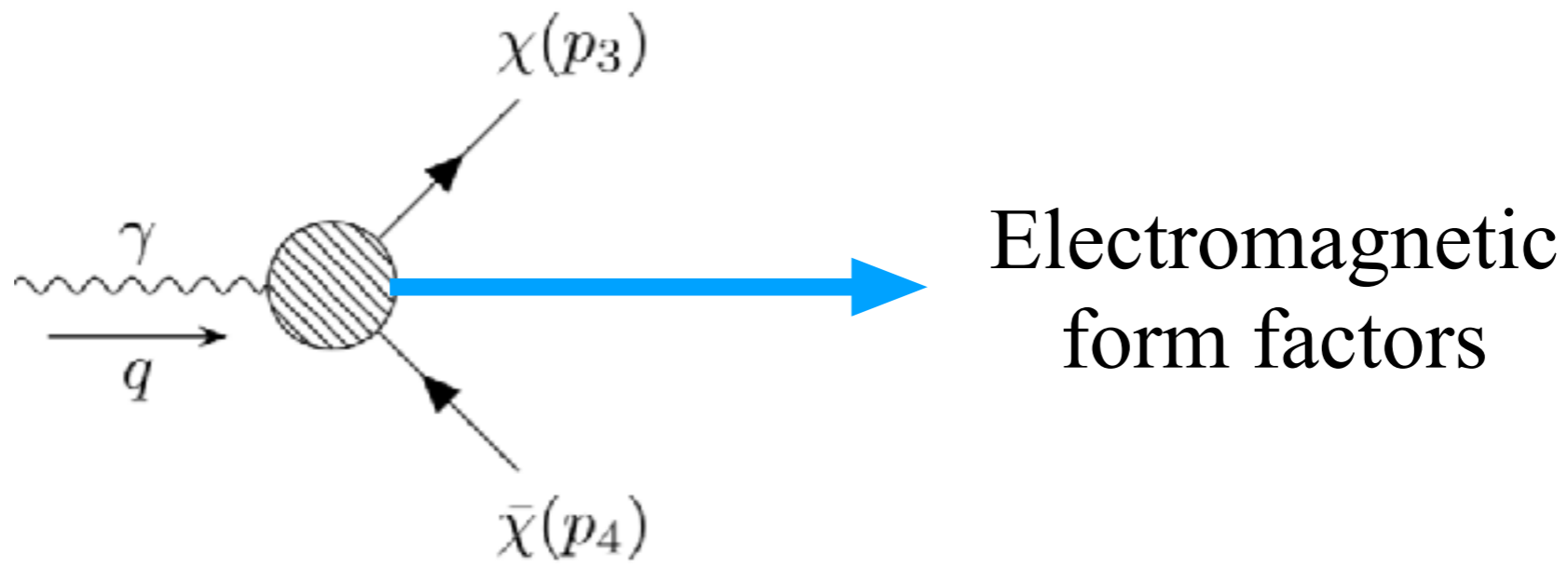
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# “Photon” portal

- How dark is the dark sector?
- Mediator between dark sector and SM sector: **SM photon**
- Dark sector particles are electromagnetic neutral
- Talk to photons with higher-dimensional operators



# Dark States with EM Interactions

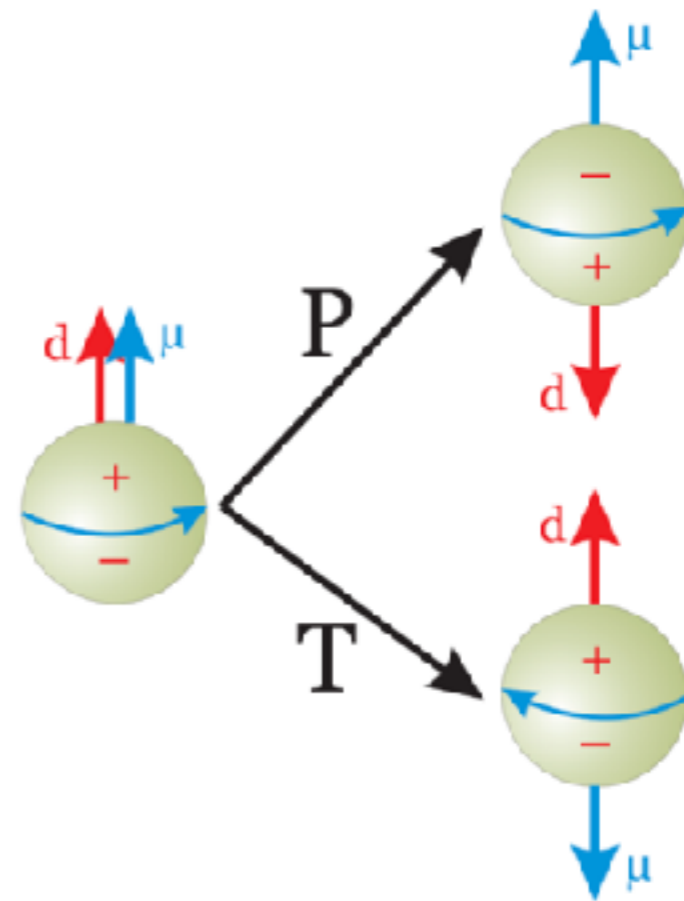
- magnetic/electric dipole moment

$$H_{\text{MDM}} = -\mu_{\chi}(\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\chi})$$

P, T even

$$H_{\text{EDM}} = -d_{\chi}(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\chi})$$

P, T odd: CP violating



Credit: <https://www.physics.uoguelph.ca/radon-electric-dipole-moment>

# Dark States with EM Interactions

- anapole moment and charge radius

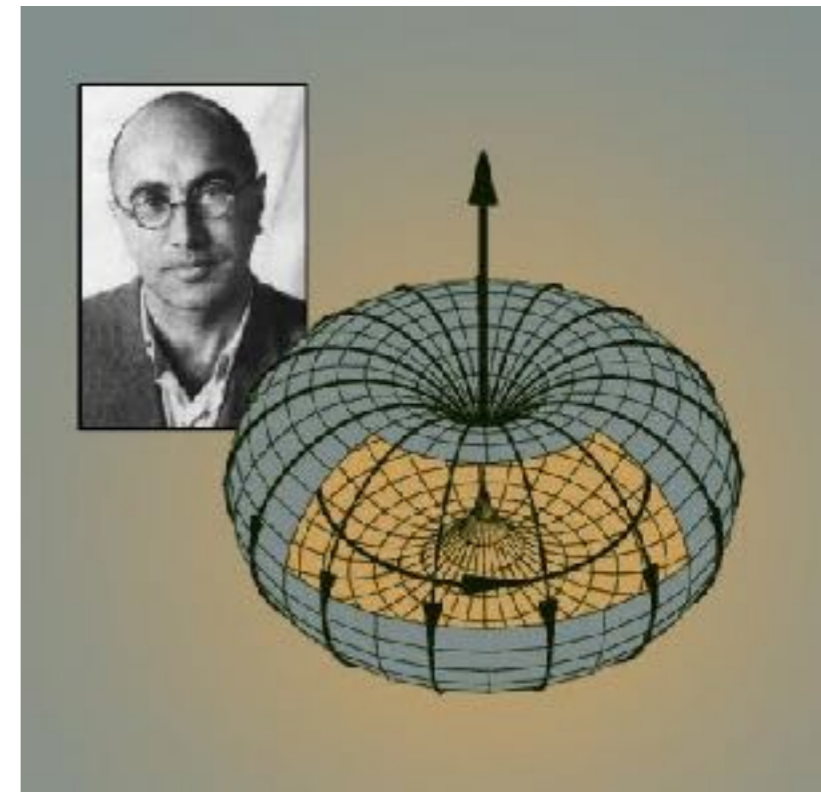
$$H_{\text{AM}} = -a_{\chi}(\vec{J} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\chi})$$

(Zel'dovich 1954)

P odd but CP even

$$H_{\text{CR}} = -b_{\chi}(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E})$$

P, T even



Credit: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

# Effective Operators

millicharge ( $\epsilon Q$ ):

$$\epsilon e \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi A_\mu,$$

**Dimension-4**

magnetic dipole (MDM):

$$\frac{1}{2} \mu_\chi \bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \chi F_{\mu\nu},$$

electric dipole (EDM):

$$\frac{i}{2} d_\chi \bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \gamma^5 \chi F_{\mu\nu},$$

**Dimension-5**

anapole moment (AM):

$$a_\chi \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \chi \partial^\nu F_{\mu\nu},$$

charge radius (CR):

$$b_\chi \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \partial^\nu F_{\mu\nu}.$$

**Dimension-6**

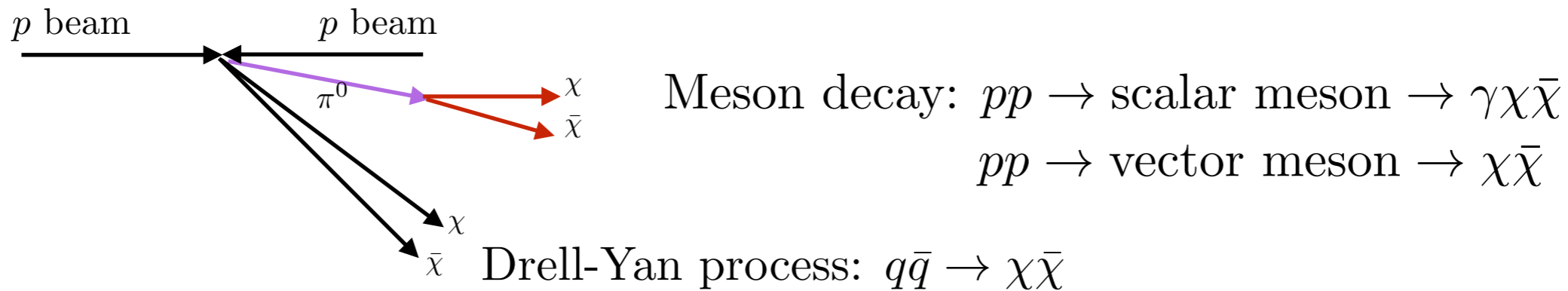
- Possible UV completion: compositeness, new charged particles in loop at high scale
- We focus on dim-5 and dim-6 operators and assume UV scale is much higher than the CM energy of LHC

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# Existing constraints

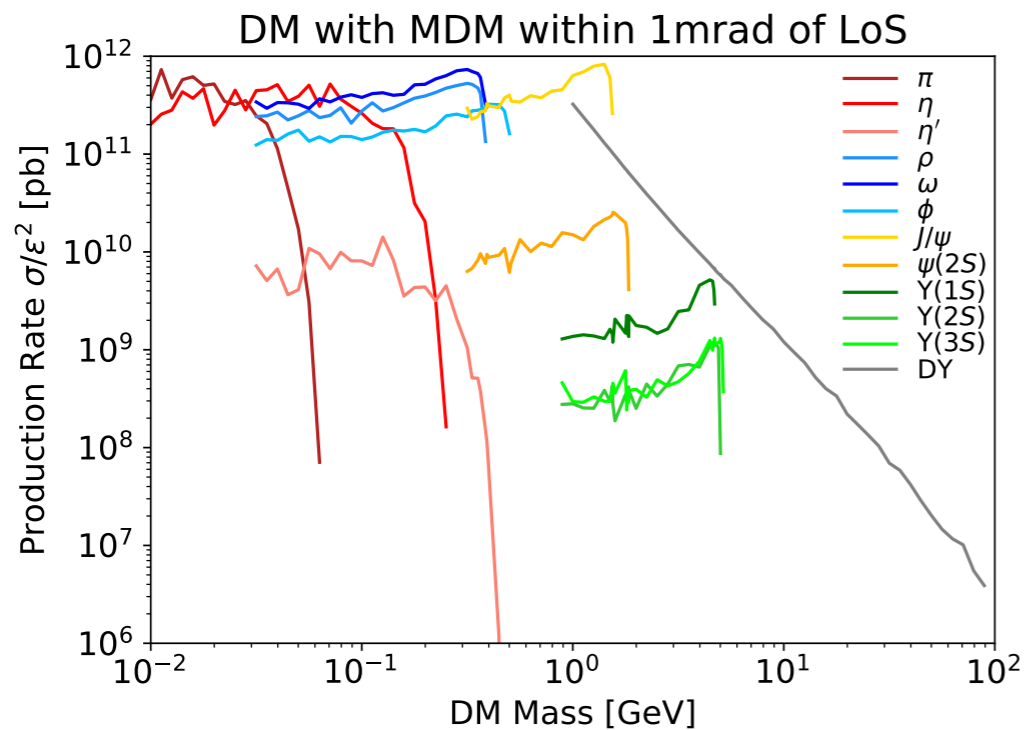
- Stellar energy loss    **Chu, JLK, Pradler, Semmelrock 2019 (PRD)**
- Electron-beam facilities    **Chu, Pradler, Semmelrock 2019 (PRD)**
- Proton-beam facilities    **Chu, JLK, Pradler 2020 (PRD)**
- Missing-E search at ee colliders    **Chu, Pradler, Semmelrock 2019 (PRD)**
- FLArE: forward and energetic flux of dark states from the IP

# Production channels

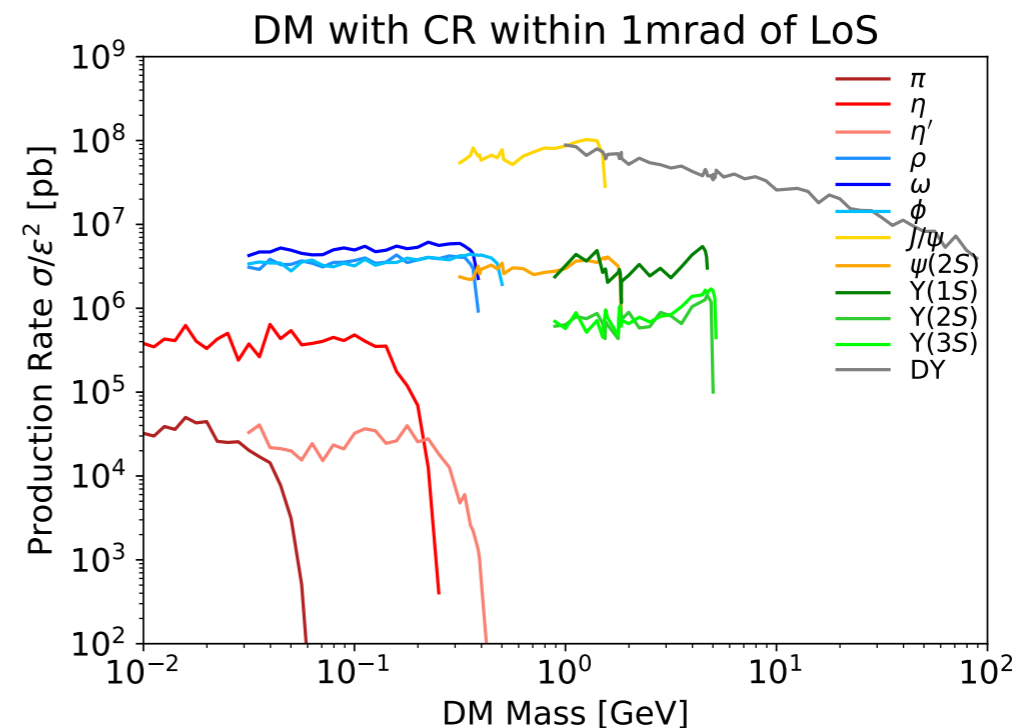


- Note: mass/energy-dependence of production rate, e.g.,  $\text{BR}_{M \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}} \propto M^2$  (dim-5),  $M^4$  (dim-6)

## dim-5: MDM/EDM

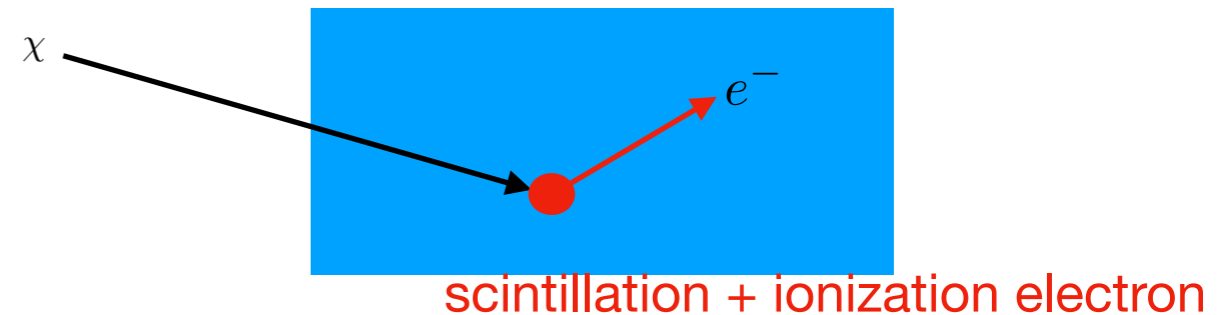


## dim-6: AM/CR



Preliminary result by Felix Kling, JLK, Sebastian Trojanowski and Yu-Dai Tsai

# Electron recoil signal



- Differential cross section

→ event rate less IR-biased

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\chi e}^{\text{dim-4}}}{dE_R} \simeq \frac{2\pi\alpha^2\epsilon^2}{E_R^2 m_e}, \quad \frac{d\sigma_{\chi e}^{\text{dim-5}}}{dE_R} \simeq \frac{\alpha\mu_\chi^2}{E_R}, \quad \frac{d\sigma_{\chi e}^{\text{dim-6}}}{dE_R} \simeq 2\alpha b_\chi^2 m_e$$

$$N_{\text{event}} = n_e L_{\text{det}} \int dE_R \epsilon(E_R) \int dE_\chi \int d\cos\theta_\chi \frac{d^2 N_\chi}{dE_\chi d\cos\theta_\chi} \frac{d\sigma_{\chi e}}{dE_R}$$

- Background: neutrinos

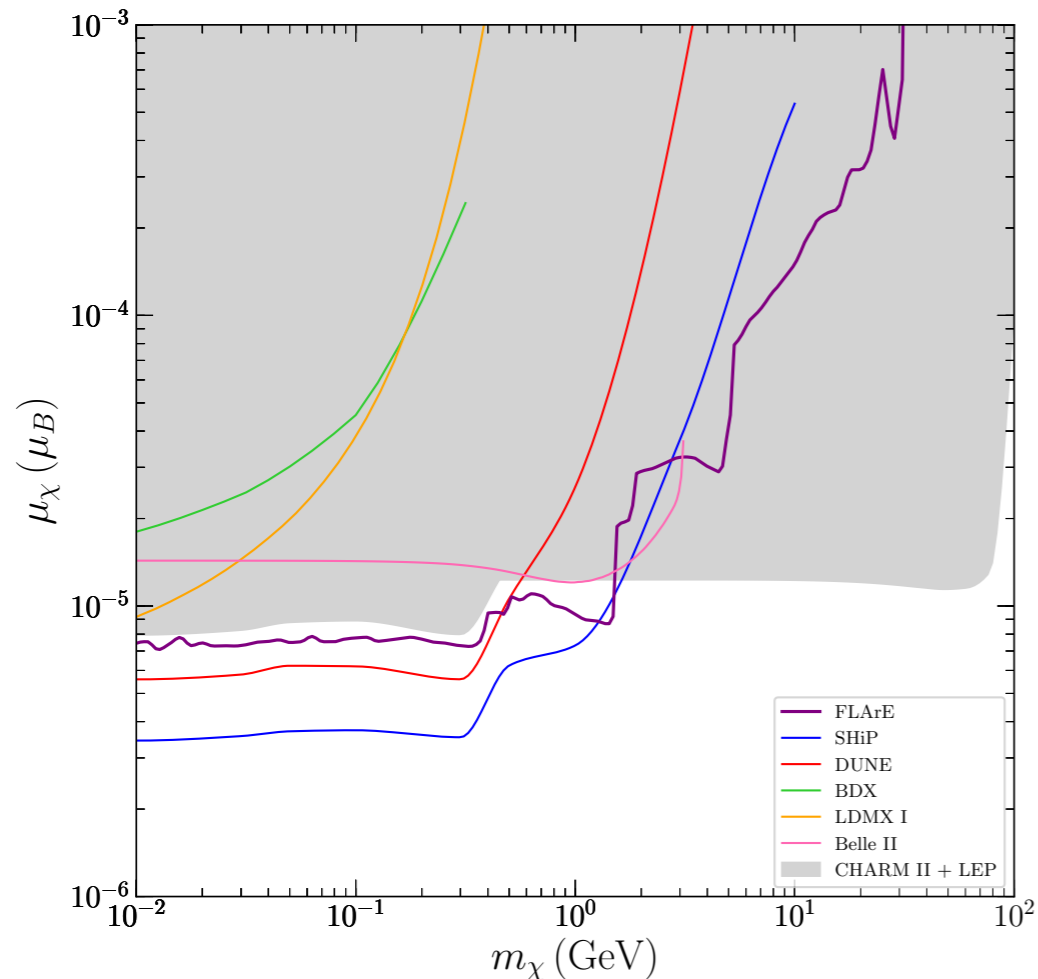
Recoil energy cut:  $30 \text{ MeV} \leq E_R \leq 3 \text{ GeV}$

Relaxing the energy cut does not improve the sensitivity much

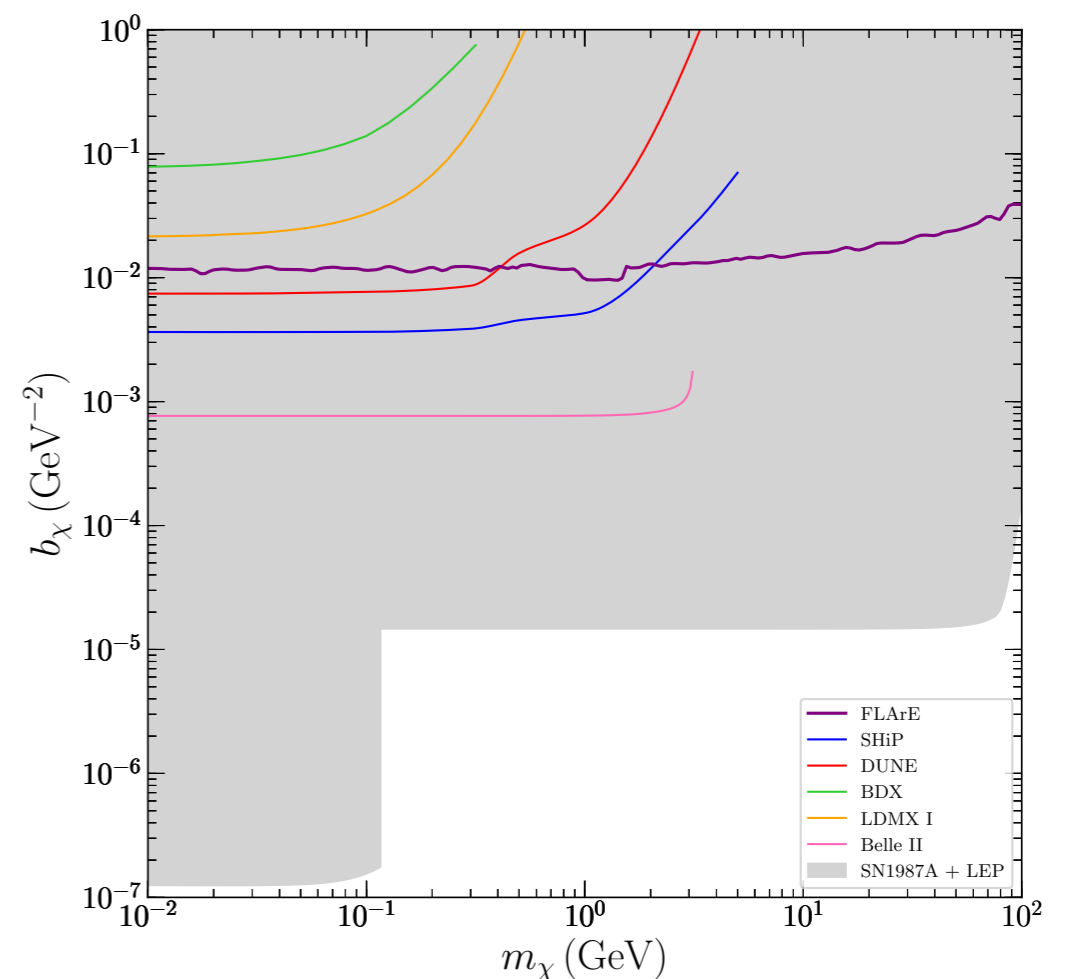


# Projected sensitivity of FLArE

dim-5: MDM/EDM



dim-6: AM/CR



- Current leading constraints: proton-beam exp. and LEP missing-E for dim-5, and SN1987A and LEP missing-E for dim-6
- FLArE improves sensitivity on dim-5 for sub-GeV mass range and competes with other proposed exp.

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# Short summary

- Dark states coupled to photon can be probed at FPF
- Dark states are produced by meson decay and Drell-Yan processes, and detected via electron-recoil
- For sub-GeV mass range, FLArE can improve current sensitivity on dim-5 operators and compete with other proposed experiments