



# A $\nu$ scalar in the early universe and $(g - 2)_\mu$

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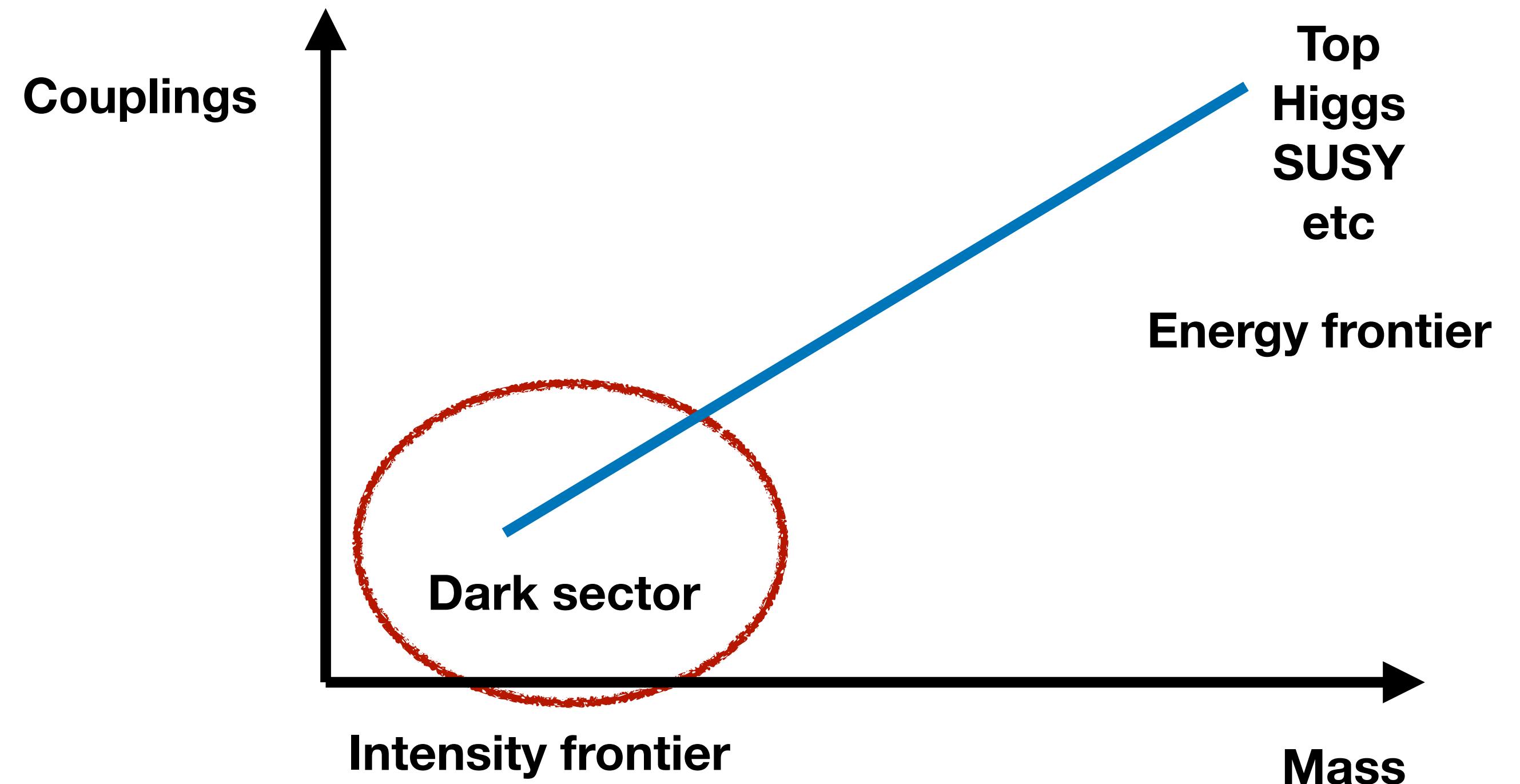
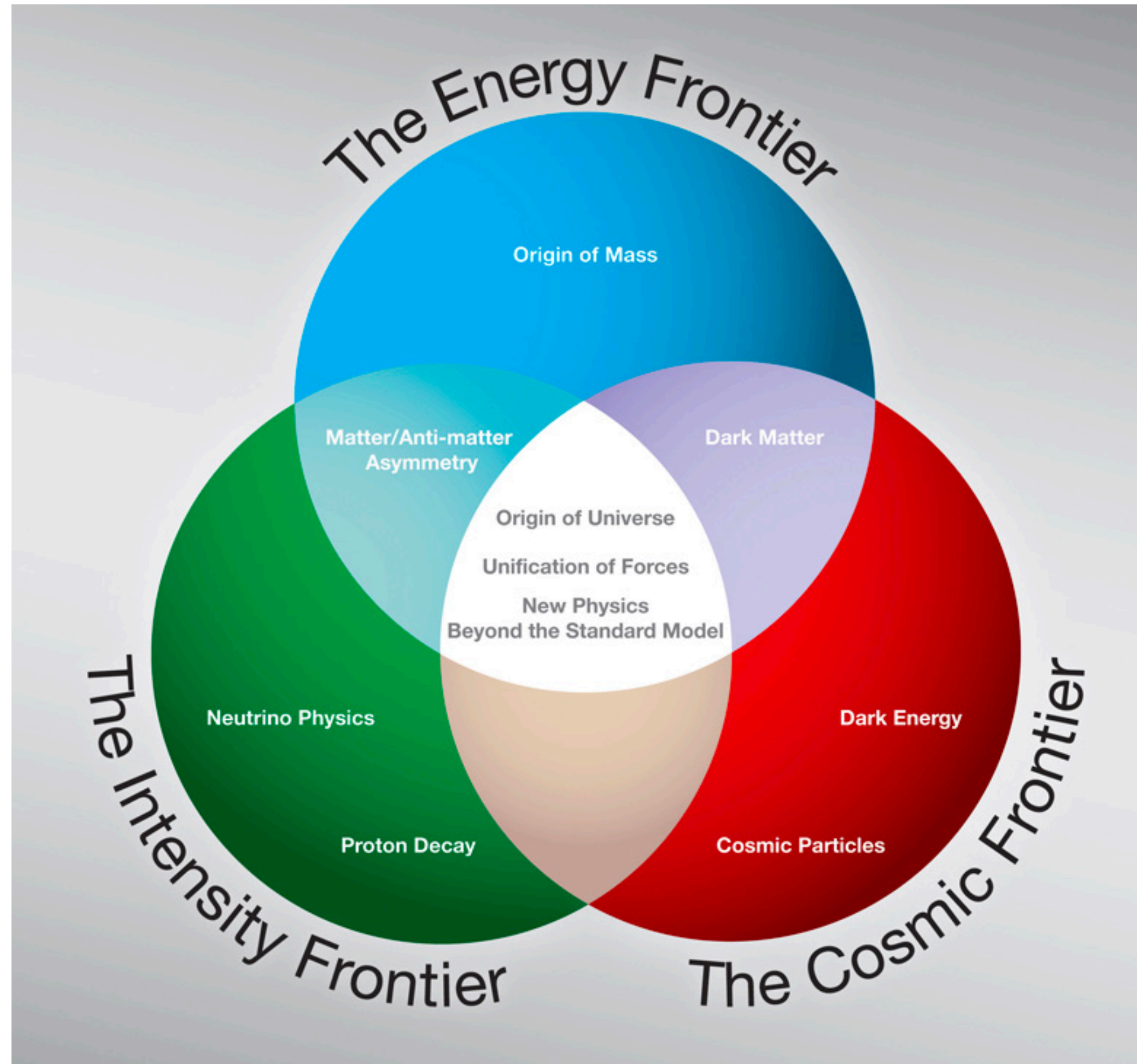
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# Outline

- The light dark sector and  $(g - 2)_{e/\mu}$
- The cosmological triangle
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# The heavy and the light



- Dark sector particles
  - New light weakly coupled particles
  - Do not interact with the known strong, weak, or electromagnetic forces
- Today we focus on the light dark sector particles

# The news from muon g-2

## First results from Fermilab's Muon g-2 experiment strengthen evidence of new physics

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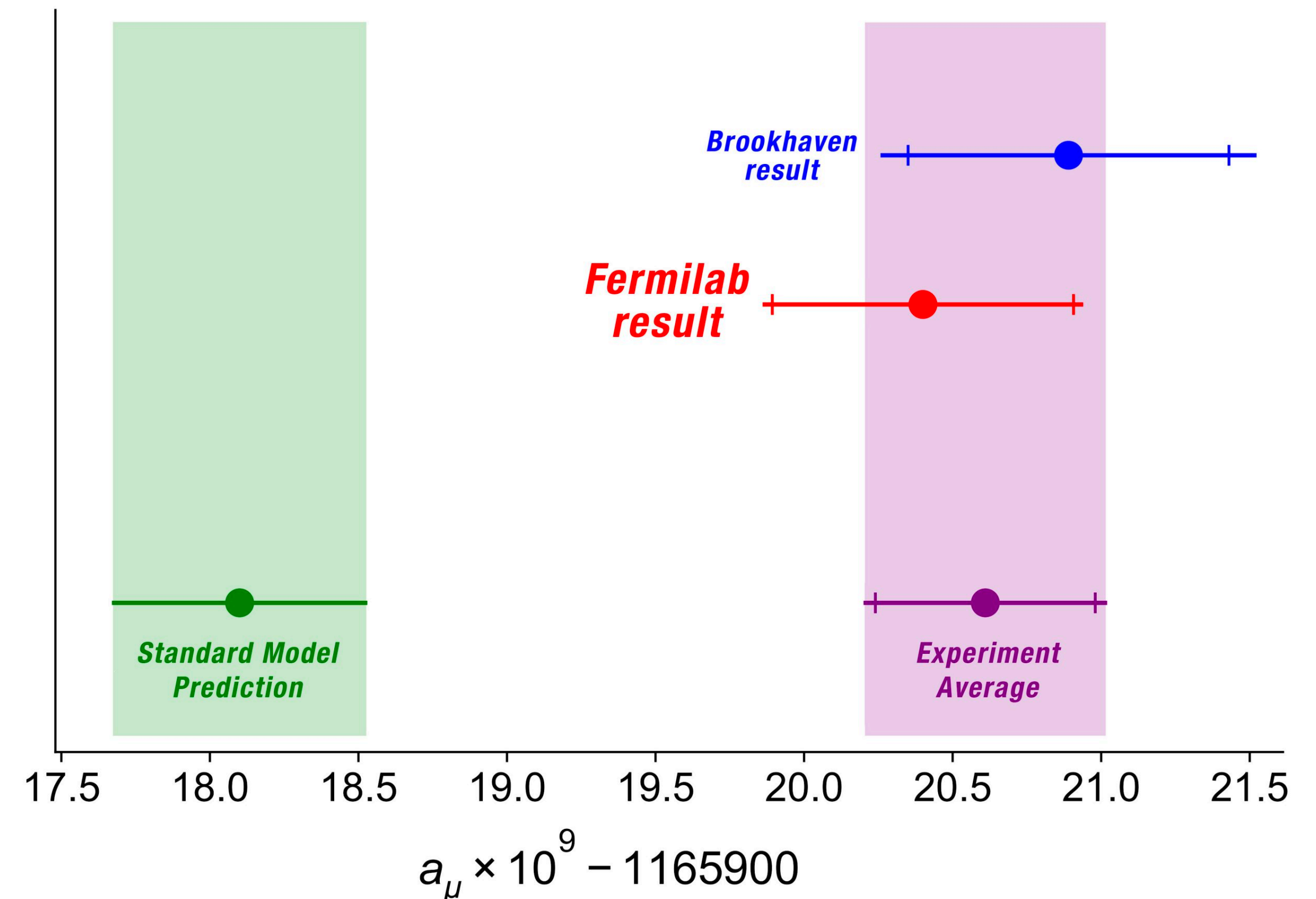
The long-awaited [first results](#) from the Muon g-2 experiment at the U.S. Department of Energy's Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory show fundamental particles called muons behaving in a way that is not predicted by scientists' best theory, the Standard Model of particle physics. This [landmark result](#), made with unprecedented precision, confirms a discrepancy that has been gnawing at researchers for decades.

The strong evidence that muons deviate from the Standard Model calculation might hint at exciting new physics. Muons act as a window into the subatomic world and could be interacting with yet undiscovered particles or forces.

"Today is an extraordinary day, long awaited not only by us but by the whole international physics community," said Graziano Venanzoni, co-spokesperson of the Muon g-2 experiment and physicist at the Italian National Institute for Nuclear Physics. "A large amount of credit goes to our young researchers who, with their talent, ideas and enthusiasm, have allowed us to achieve this incredible result."

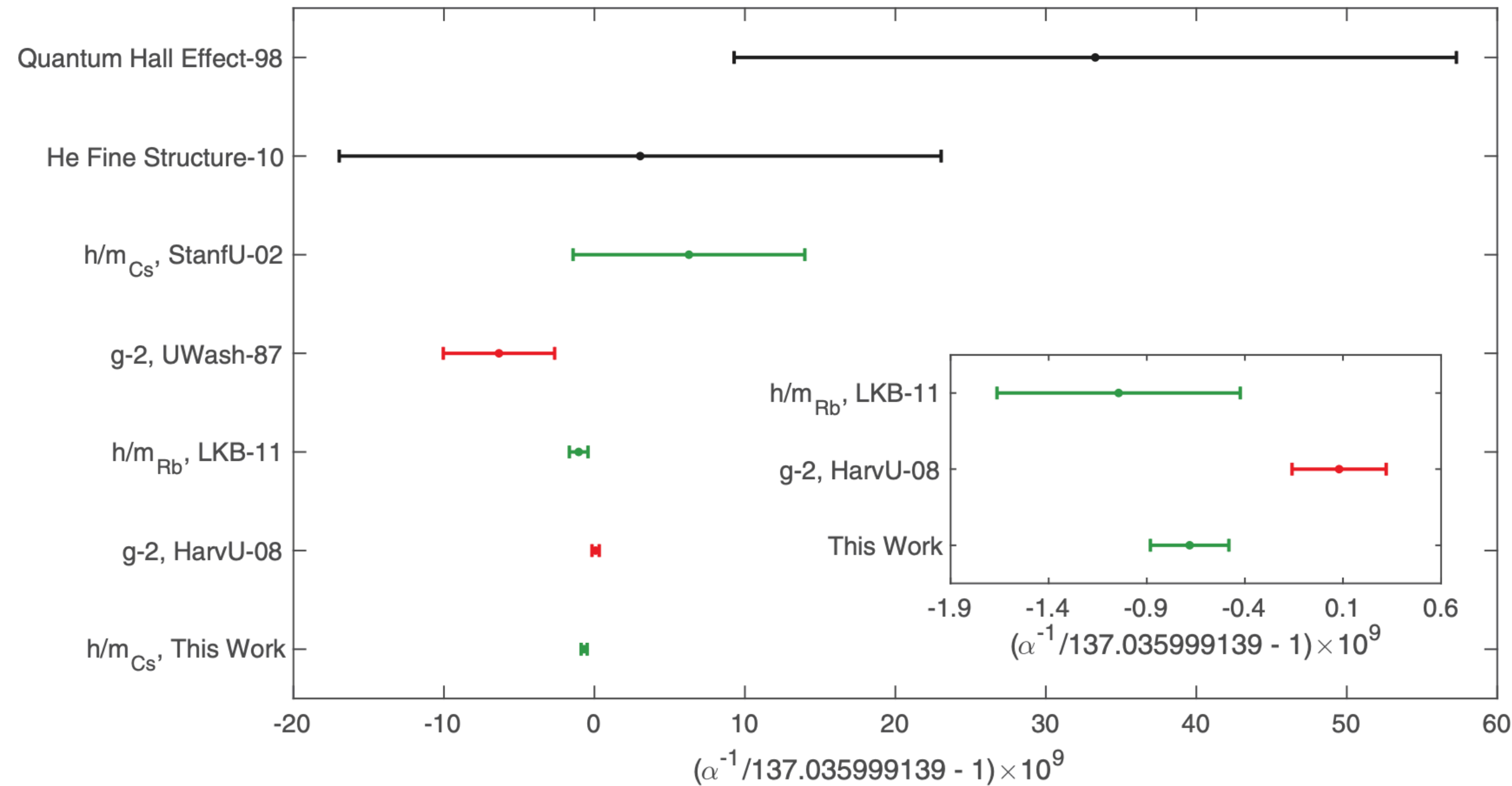
- $\Delta a_\mu = (2.51 \pm 0.59) \times 10^{-9}$
- The Brookhaven + Fermilab results
  - **4.2  $\sigma$  tension to the SM**

- The big news from the muons
- The muonic window to New Physics



# The status of electron g-2

*Parker et al., Science 360, 191–195 (2018)*

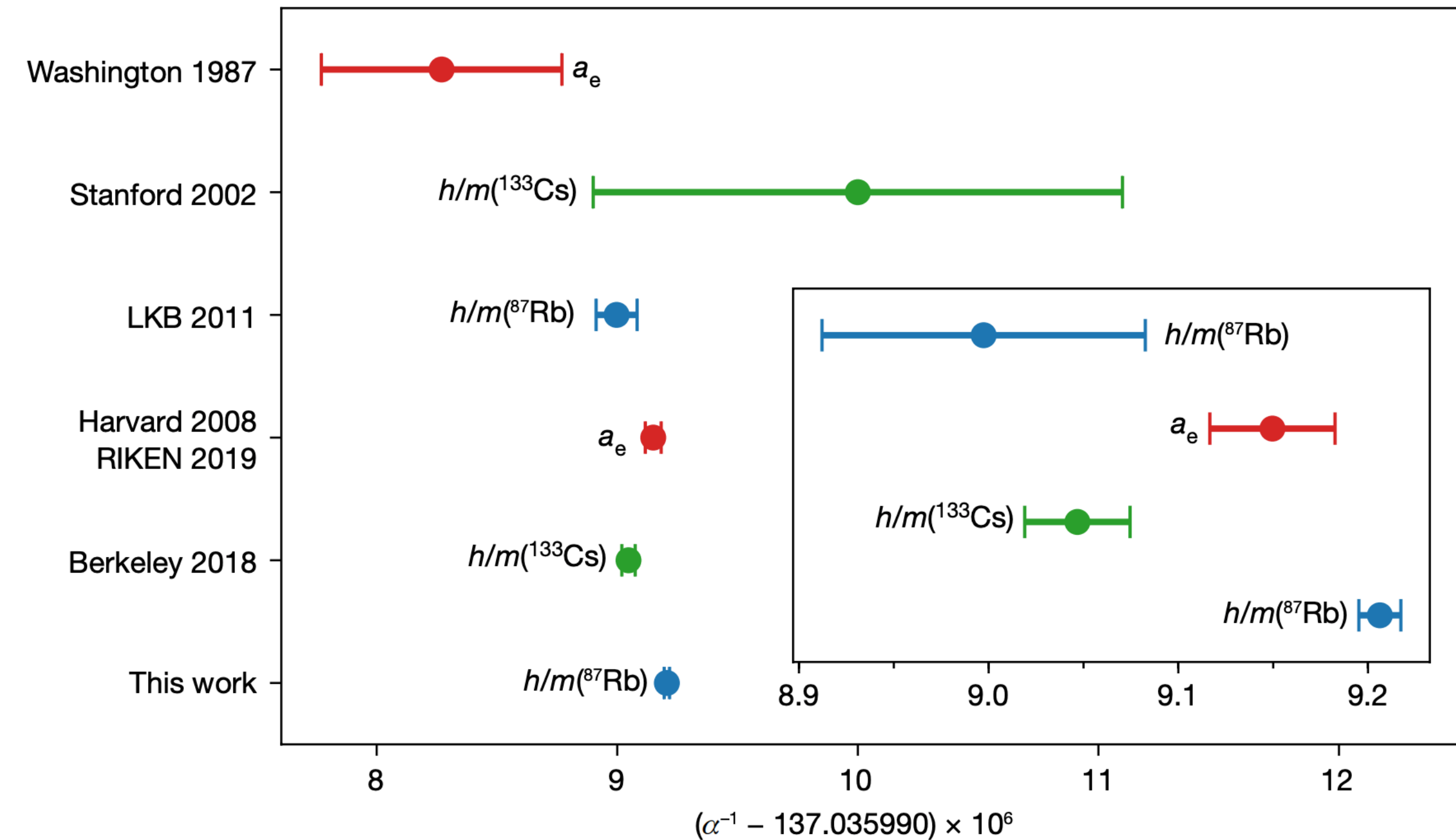


$$2018 \text{ Cs : } \Delta a_e = a_e^{\text{exp}} - a_e^{\text{th}} = (-88 \pm 36) \times 10^{-14}$$

- **Negative value and a (- 2.4  $\sigma$ ) discrepancy**

- The two experiments are in tension at  $\sim 4\sigma$ , waiting for future experiments to see if there is something interesting in electron sector.

*Morel et al., Nature 588, 61–65 (2020)*



$$2020 \text{ Rb : } \Delta a_e = a_e^{\text{exp}} - a_e^{\text{th}} = (48 \pm 36) \times 10^{-14}$$

- Positive value and a (+ 1.6  $\sigma$ ) discrepancy
- **A 2.4 $\sigma$  discrepancy with its own result in 2011!**

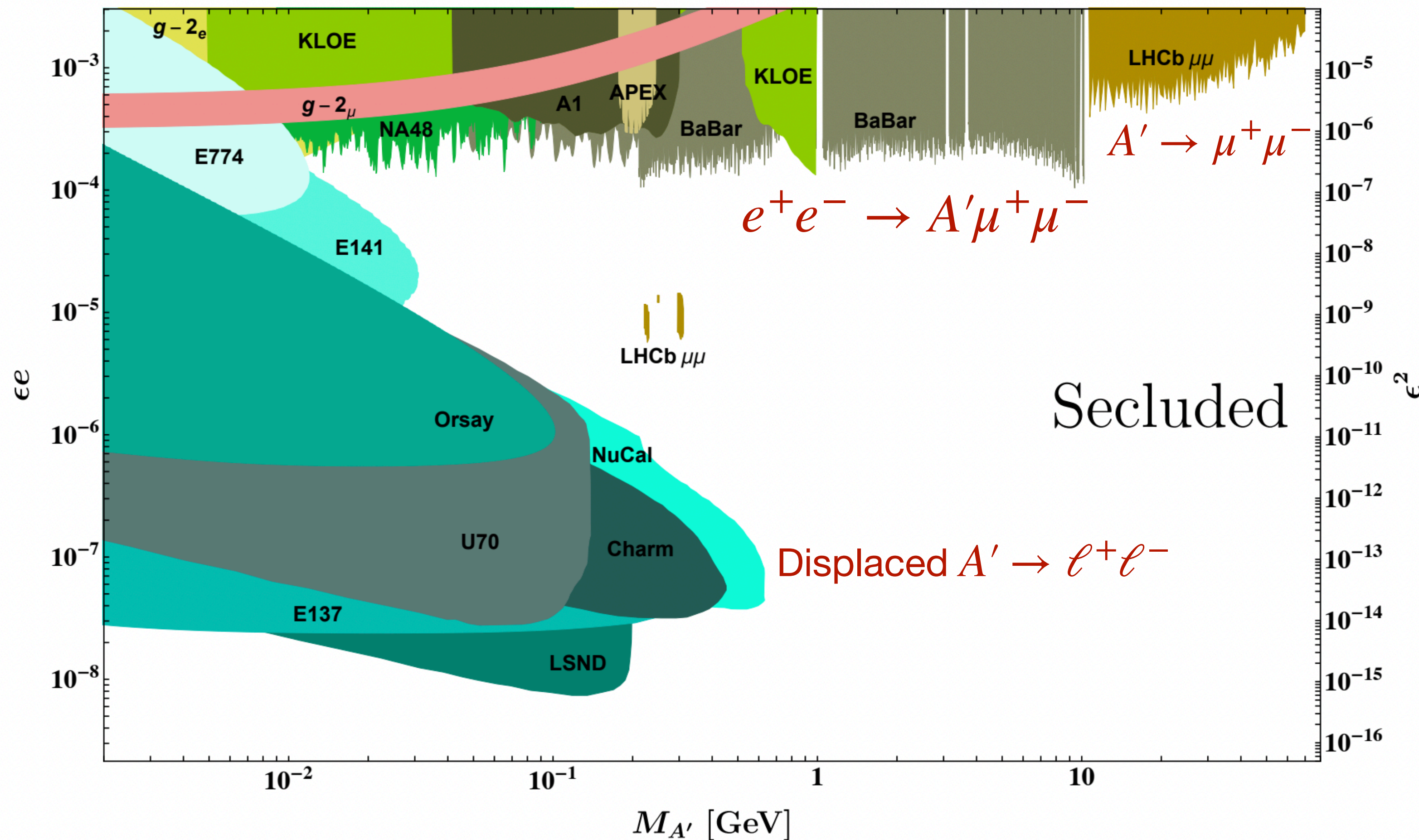
# The new physics models for muon $g-2$

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- The light solutions:
  - Mostly bosonic neutral mediators
  - Charged mediators should be quite heavy due to strong constraints from low energy experiments
  - Vectors: dark photon solution
  - Scalars: dark Higgs, axion-like particles, ...

# Light dark photon and muon g-2

- Flavor universal : kinetic mixing dark photon

Bauer et al: 1803.05466 (JHEP)



$$\mathcal{L} \supset \epsilon F'_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L} \supset \epsilon e A'_\mu J_{em}^\mu$$

$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma A', A' \rightarrow e^+ e^-$$

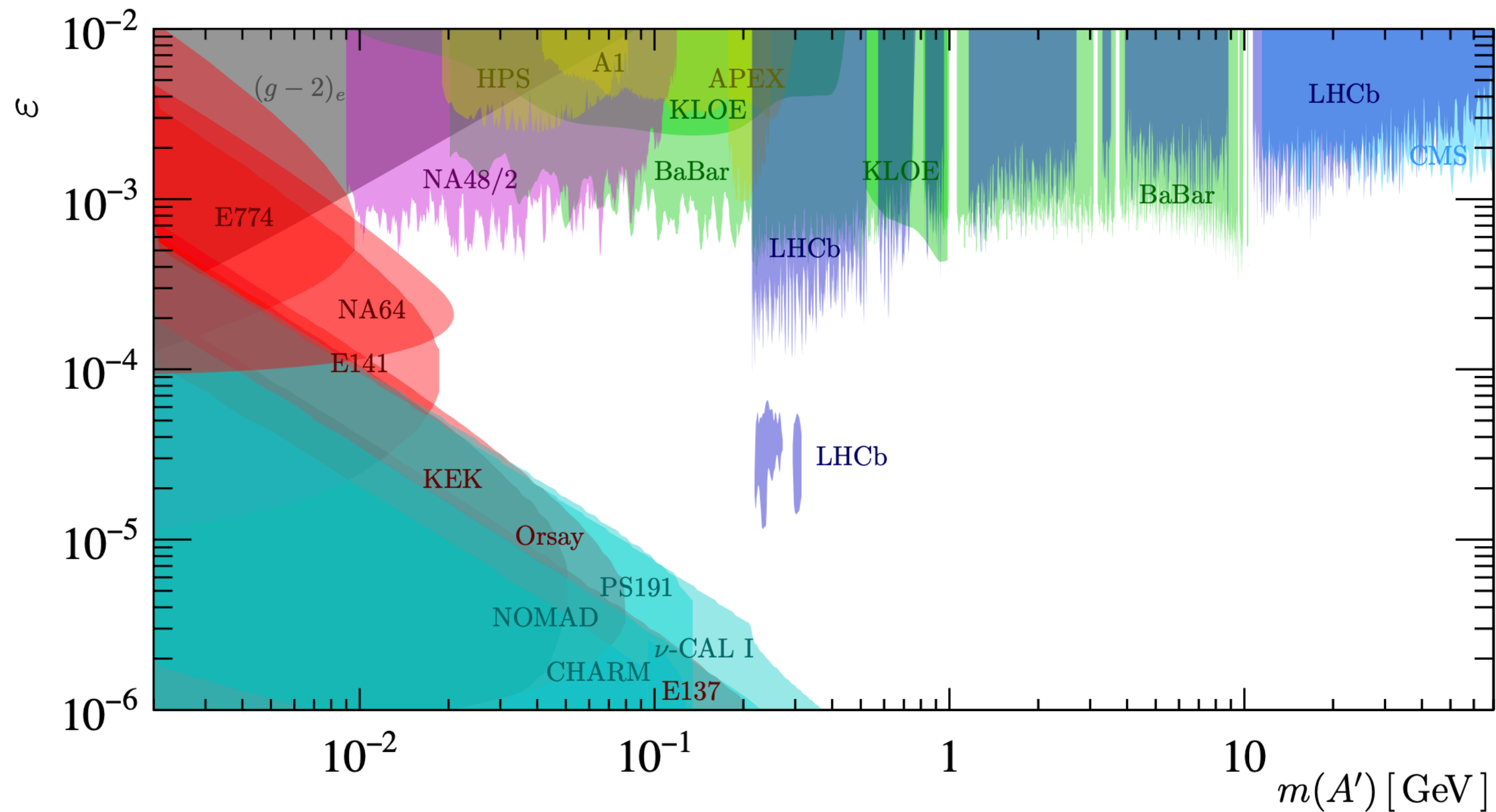
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Visible dark photon can not explain muon g-2!

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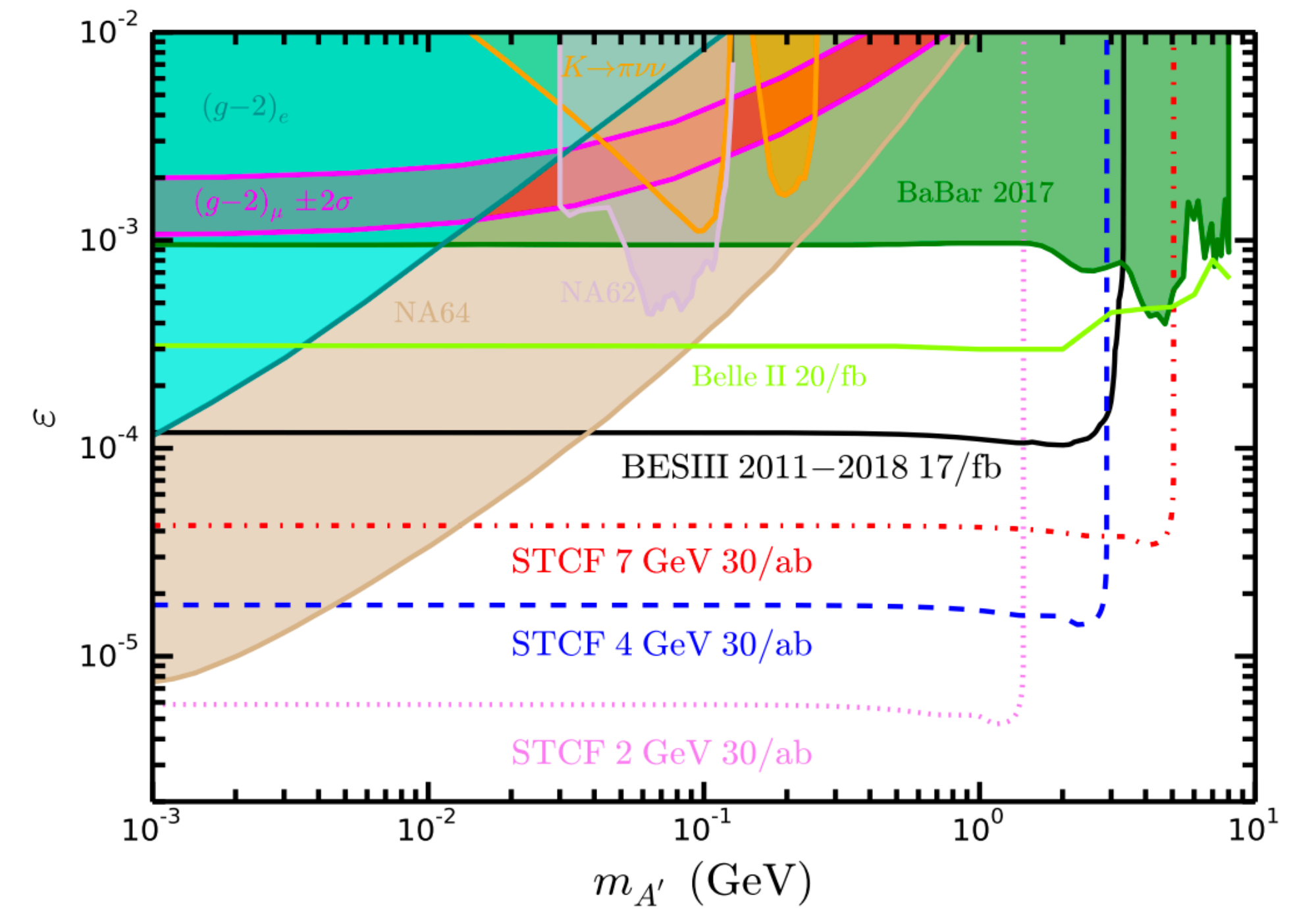
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- Further experimental updates

Visible  $A'$ :  $A' \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$



LHCb: 1910.06926 (PRL)

Invisible  $A'$ :  $A' \rightarrow$  Missing Energy



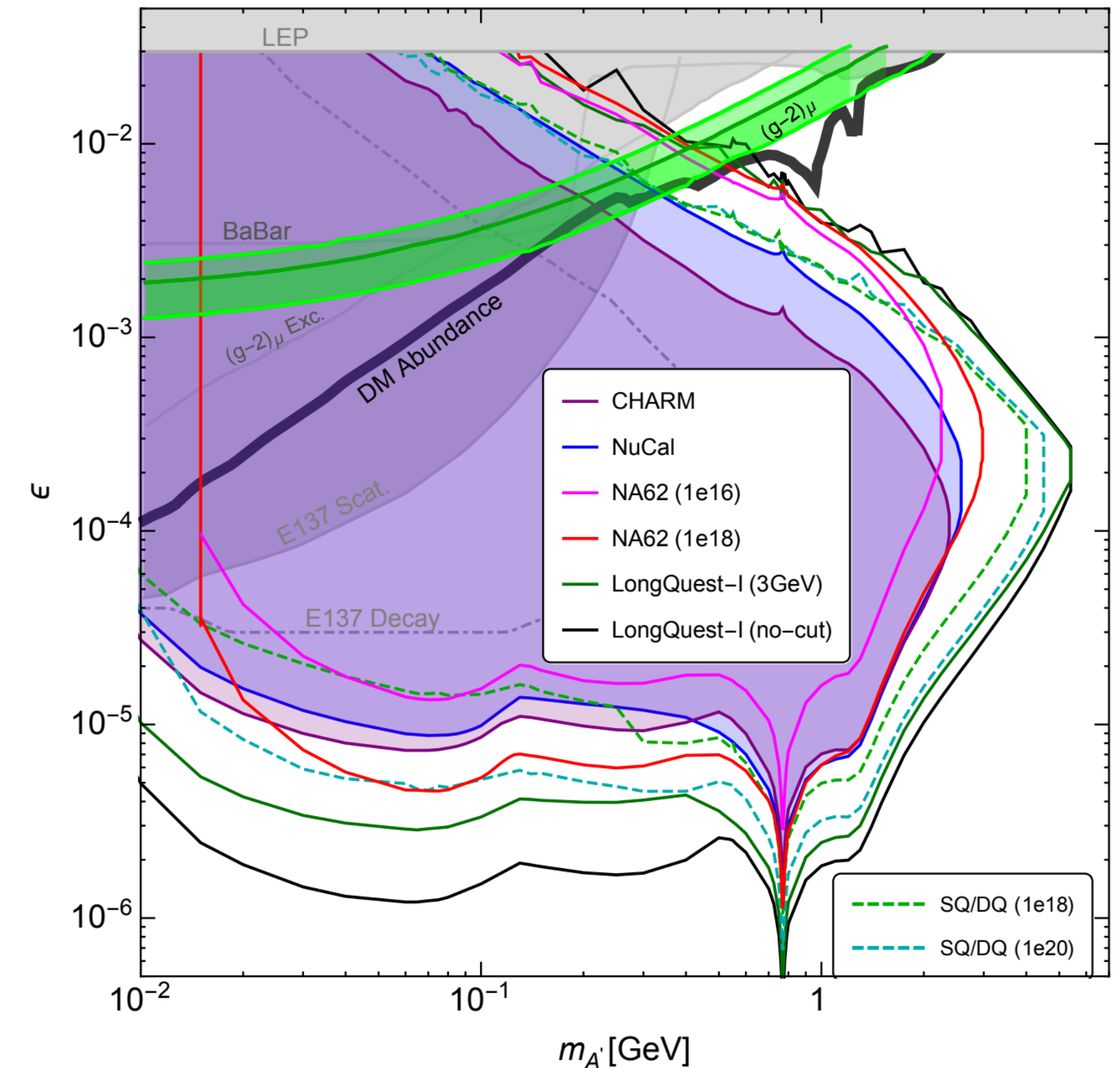
BESIII: 1907.07046 (PRD)



# Light dark photon and muon g-2

- Flavor universal : kinetic mixing dark photon
- Recent developments:
  - Incorporating Inelastic Dark Matter
  - $A' \rightarrow \chi_1 \chi_2, \chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1 + f \bar{f}$
  - $A'$  decays to MET + soft objects
  - Muon g-2 and dark matter simultaneously satisfied for large mass splitting

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{m_{\chi_2} - m_{\chi_1}}{m_{\chi_1}} = 0.4$$



(a) iDM:  $\Delta = 0.4, \alpha_D = 0.1$ . With muon  $g - 2$  and DM regimes.

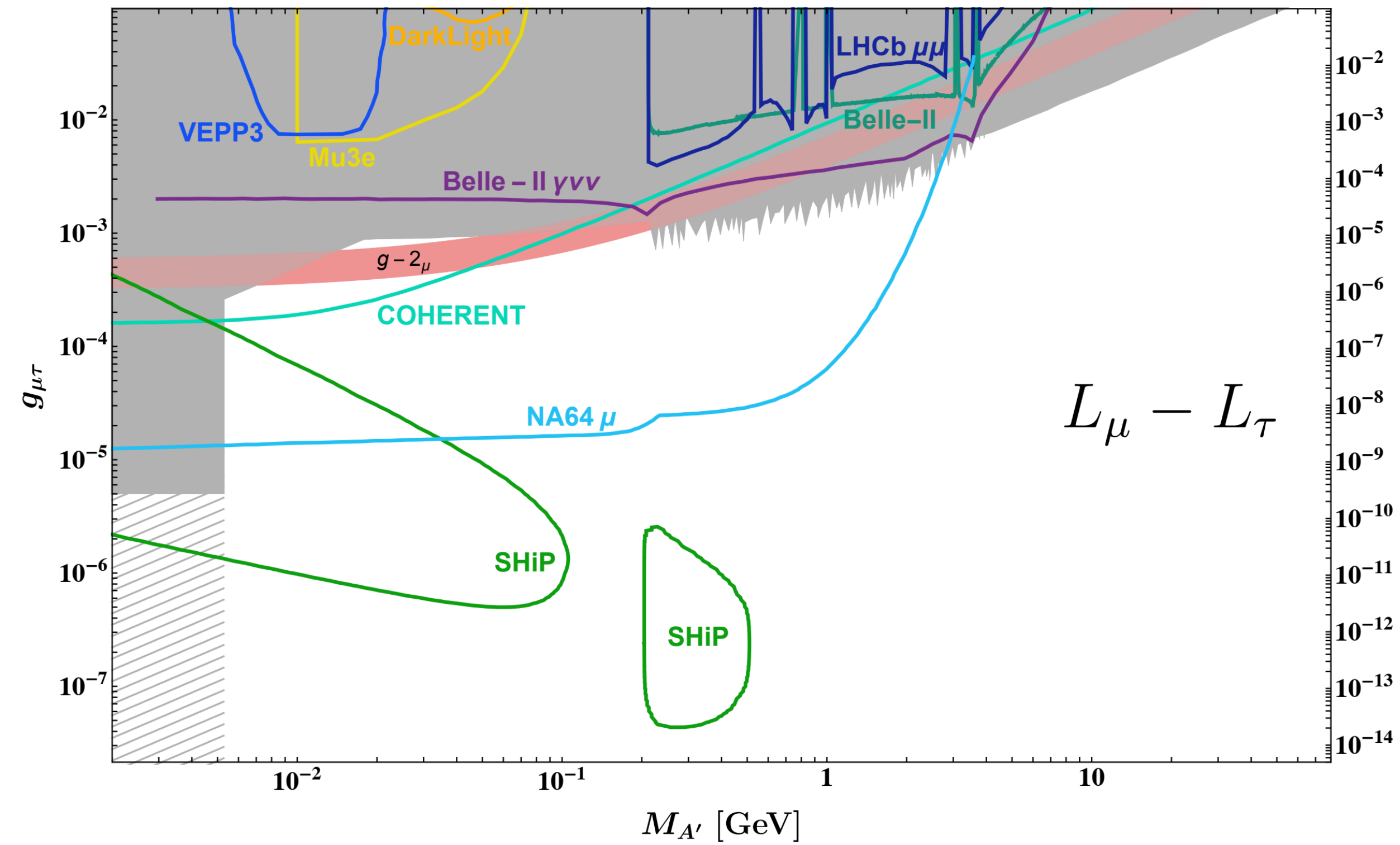
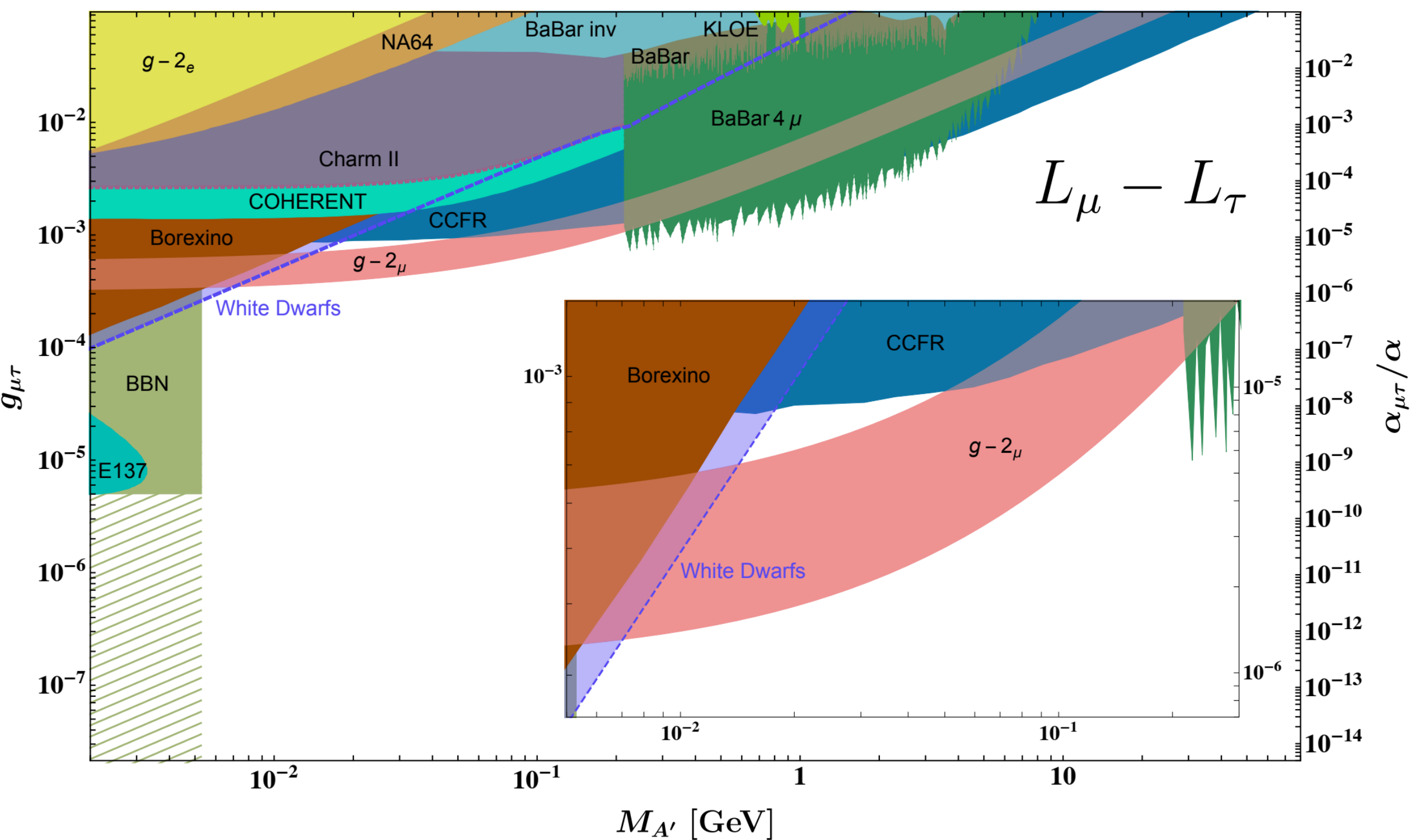
Tsai et al: 1908.07525 (PRL)

See also, Gopolang Mohlabeng 1902.05075 (PRD)

# Light dark photon and muon g-2

- Flavor specific :  $U(1)_{L_\mu - L_\tau}$  dark photon
- $m_{A'} \in [10, 100]$  MeV still viable for muon g-2

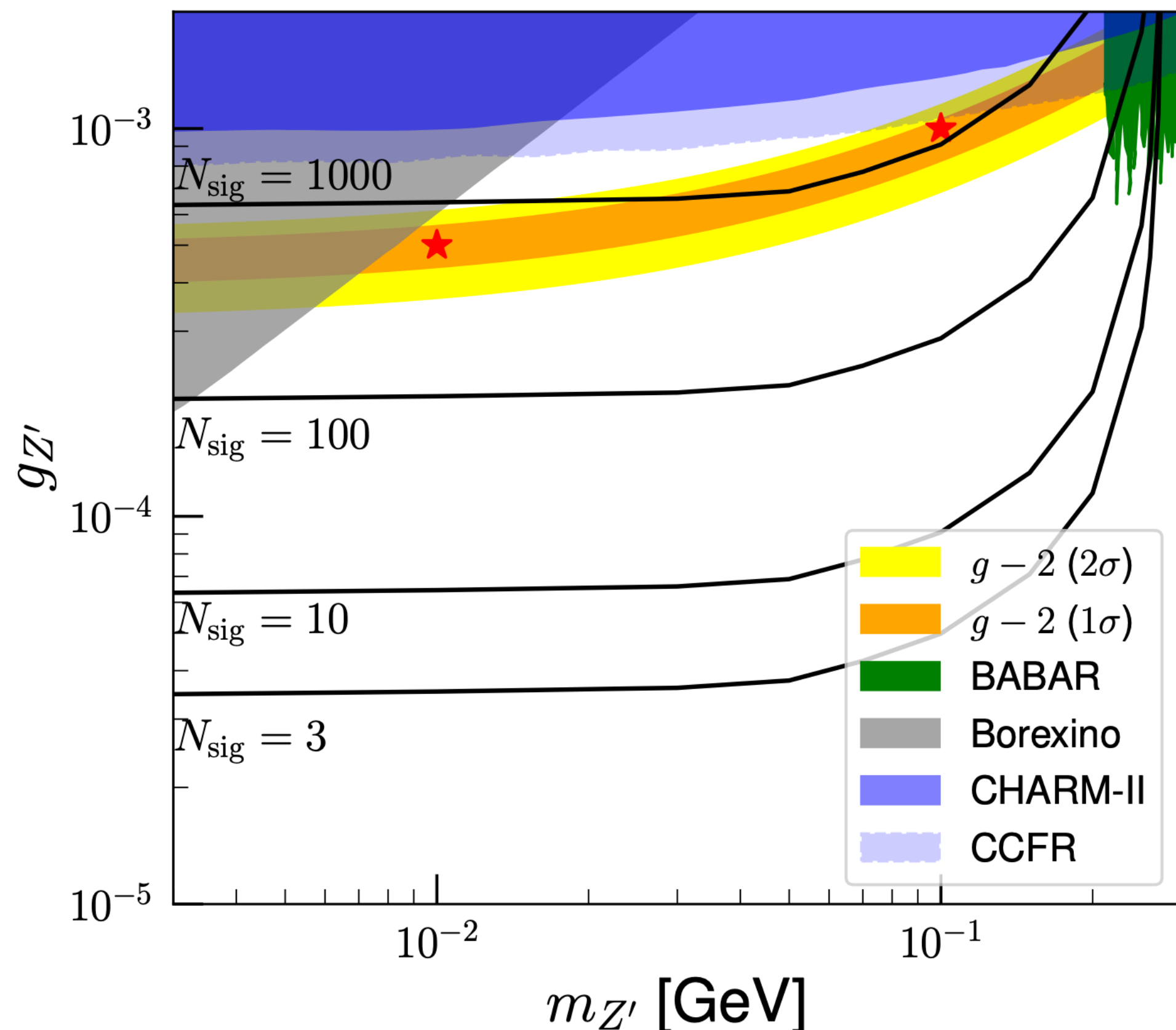
$$\mathcal{L} = g' A'_\alpha \times \left( \bar{L}_\mu \gamma^\alpha L_\mu - \bar{L}_\tau \gamma^\alpha L_\tau + \bar{\ell}_\mu \gamma^\alpha \ell_\mu - \bar{\ell}_\tau \gamma^\alpha \ell_\tau \right)$$



# Light dark photon and muon g-2

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- People are still proposing new proposals: e.g. MUonE

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- Similar to NA64 $\mu$ :  $10^{12}$  muons on target from CERN SPS upgraded muon beam
- MUonE: 150 GeV muon + e at rest
- $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$  measuring hadronic vacuum polarization (HVP) contribution for g-2
- $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e Z' \rightarrow \mu e + \text{MET}$

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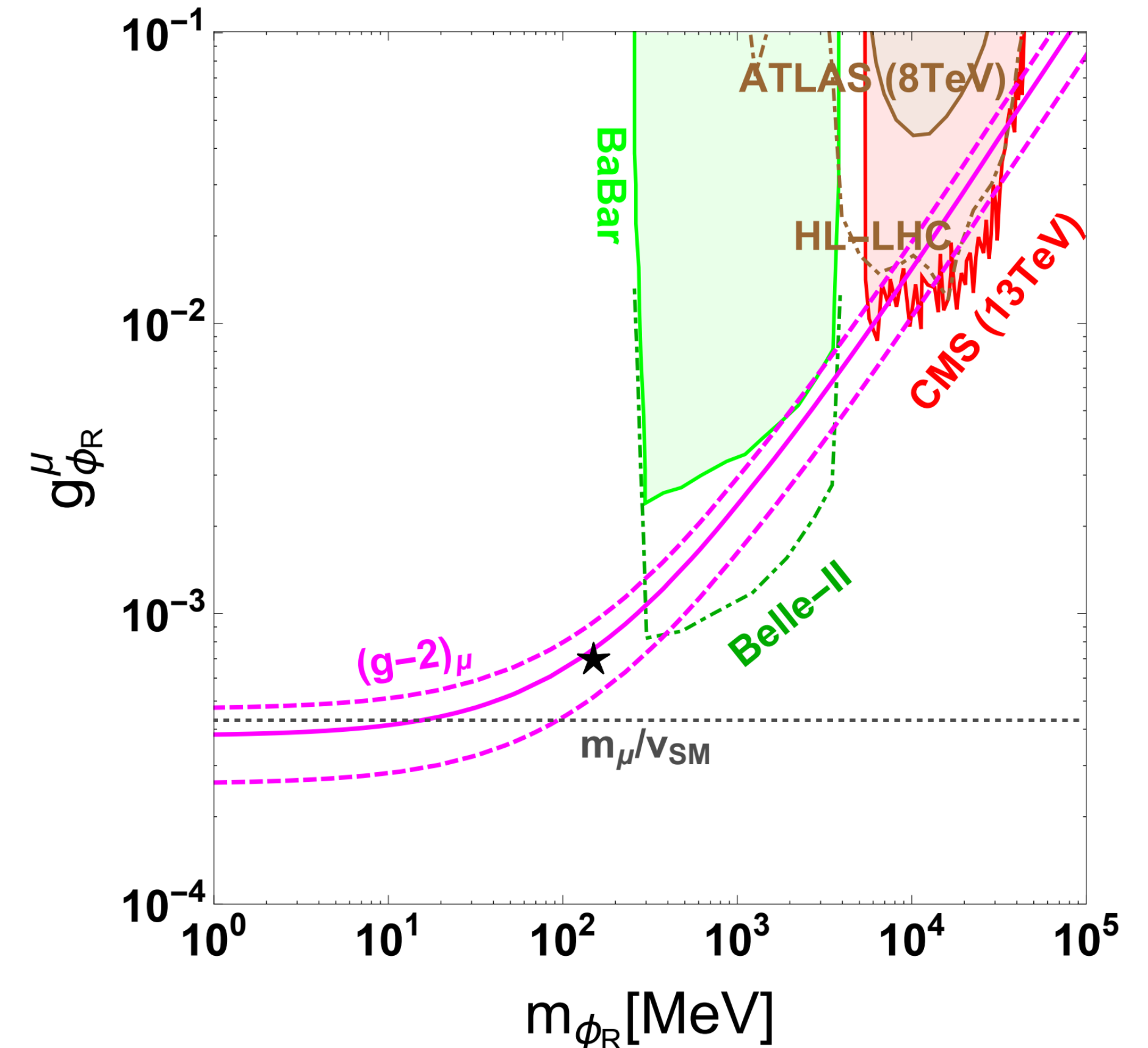
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- **Lepton specific:**  $\epsilon_q \approx \epsilon_W \neq \epsilon_\ell$  (from type-X 2HDM + singlet)

- **Muonic specific:**  $\epsilon_\mu \neq 0$ , others = 0 See Batell et al, 1712.10022

- **Muon g-2:**

$$\Delta a_\mu = \frac{m_\mu^2}{8\pi^2 v^2} \epsilon_\ell^2 \int_0^1 dx \frac{(1-x)^2(1+x)}{(1-x)^2 + x(m_\phi/m_\mu)^2}$$



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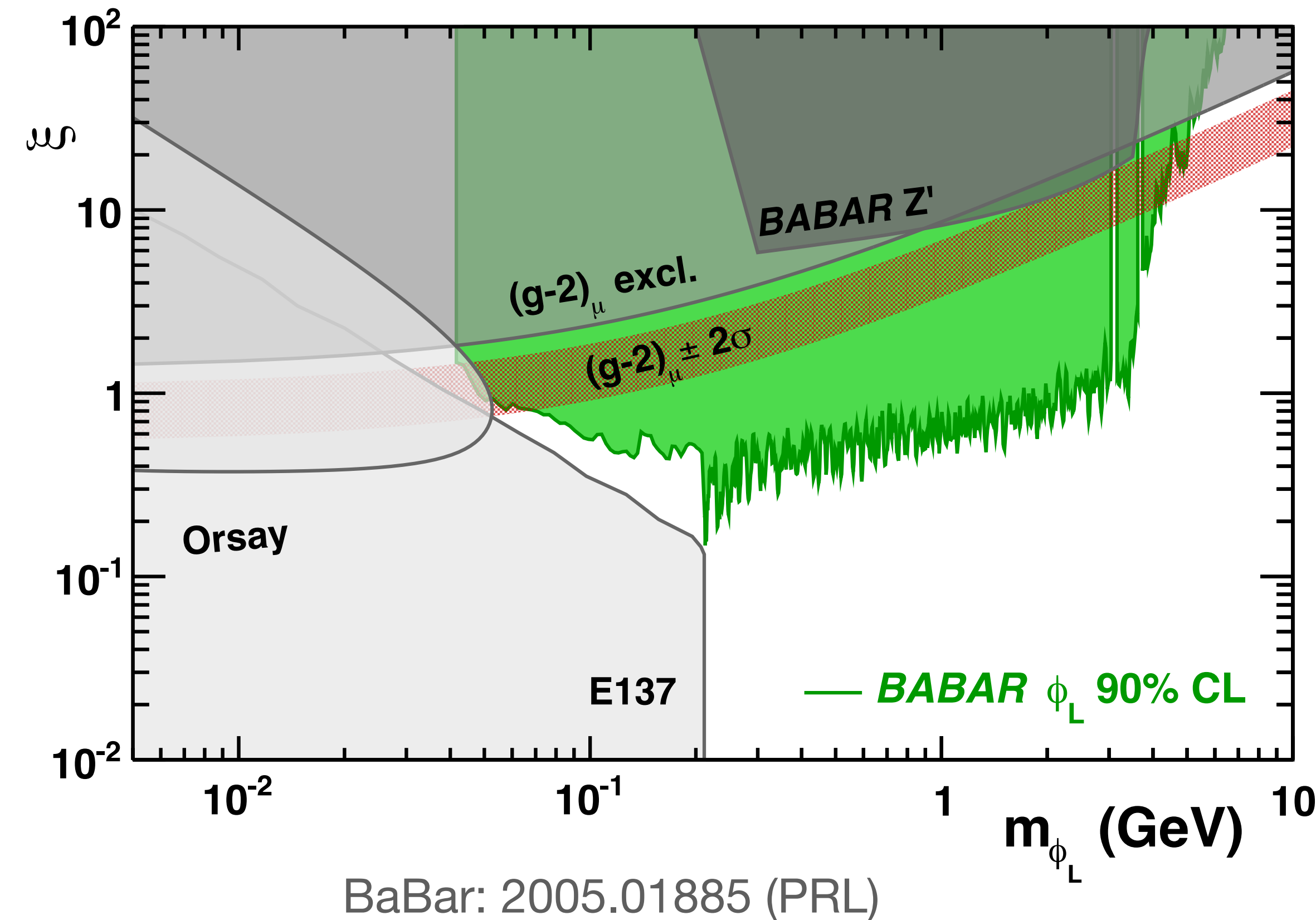
Scalars are less constrained comparing with  $A'$ , due to smaller coupling to  $e$

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- **New experiment updates for leptonphilic/universal dark scalar**



Utilizes the large tau coupling:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-\phi$

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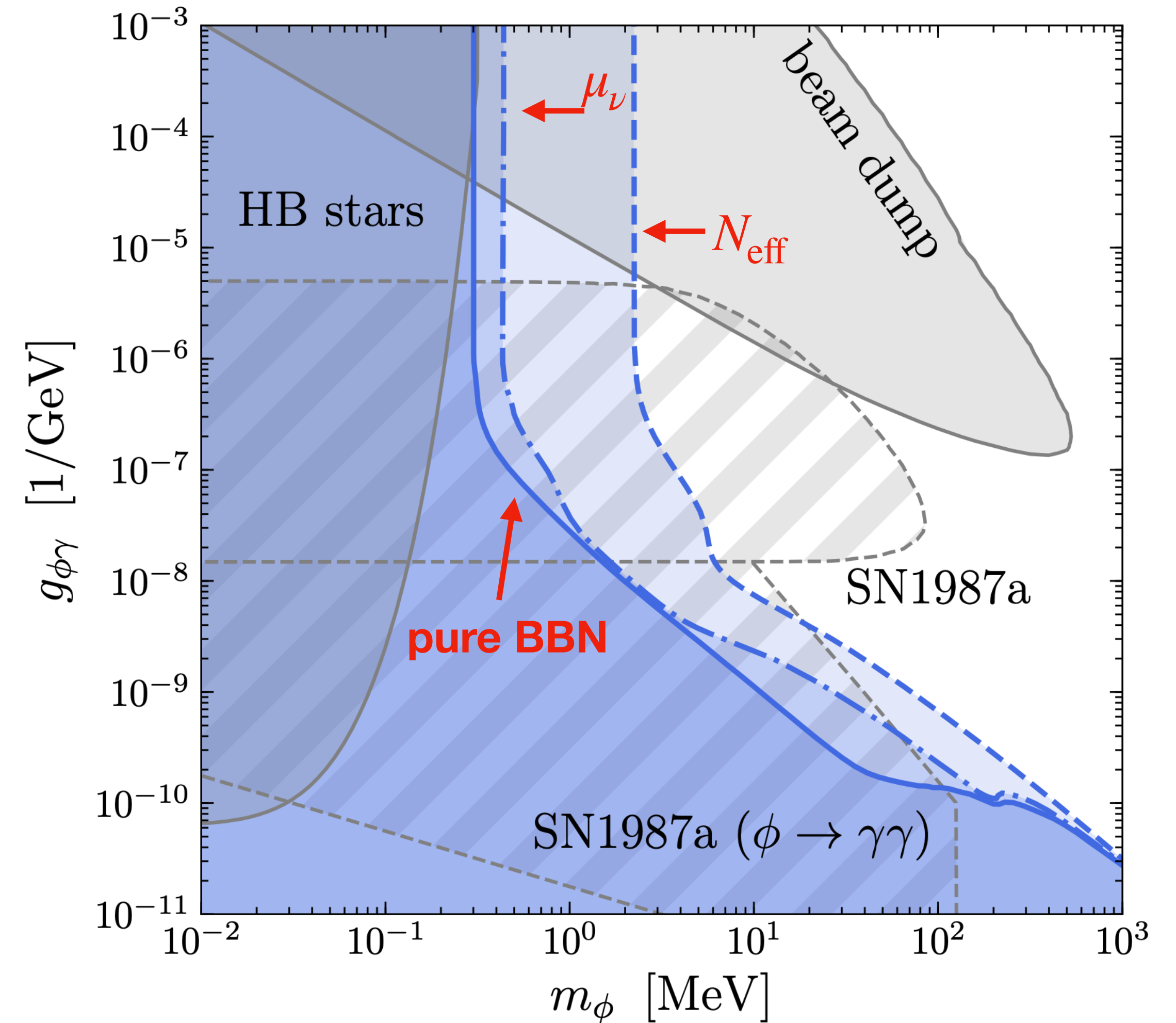
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- Referring to Axion-Like Particle searches with photon couplings, works for scalar as well

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$$\tau_{\phi\gamma} = \Gamma_{\phi\gamma}^{-1} = \frac{64\pi}{m_\phi^3 g_{\phi\gamma}^2}$$

- Blue solid line from BBN constraints:  $Y_p$ , D/H
- Blue dot dashed line: allow varying neutrino chemical potential and  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$
- Blue dashed line:  $N_{\text{eff}}$  constraints from CMB measurements



Depta et al: 2002.08370 (JCAP)



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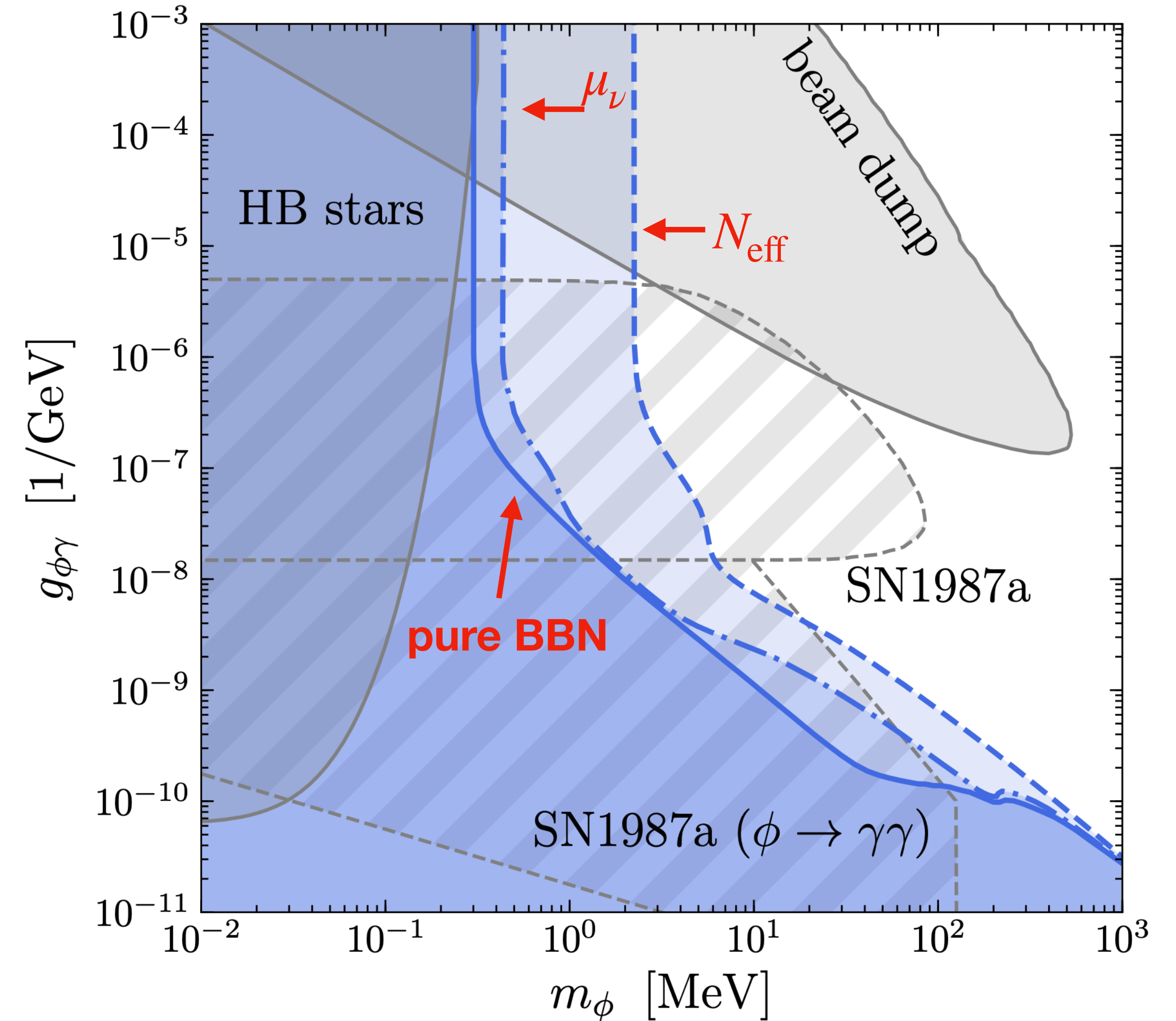
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- $N_{\text{eff}}$  from CMB constraints constraints:

- SM value:  $\left( T_\nu^0 / T_\gamma^0 \right) = \left( \frac{4}{11} \right)^{1/3}$  due to  $e^+ e^-$  annihilation

- $\phi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  injects entropy to photons after neutrino decoupling ( $T_D^0 \sim 2.3$  MeV)

- Further lowering the ratio  $T_\nu / T_\gamma$



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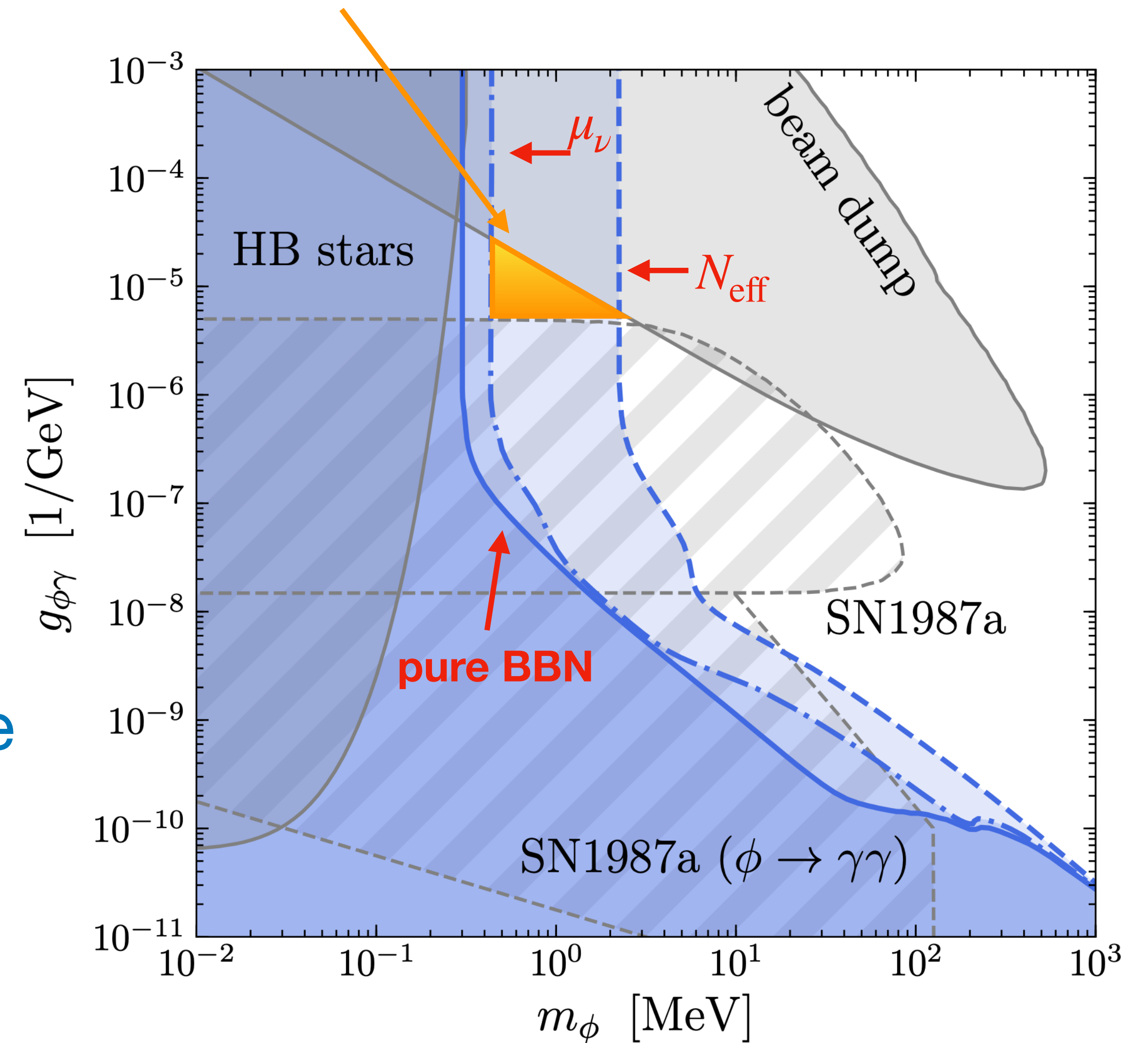
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- If one allows extra cosmological setup:  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$  (e.g. dark radiation), to compensate the low  $T_\nu$
- A triangle area is still allowed for MeV ALP, similar for dark scalar



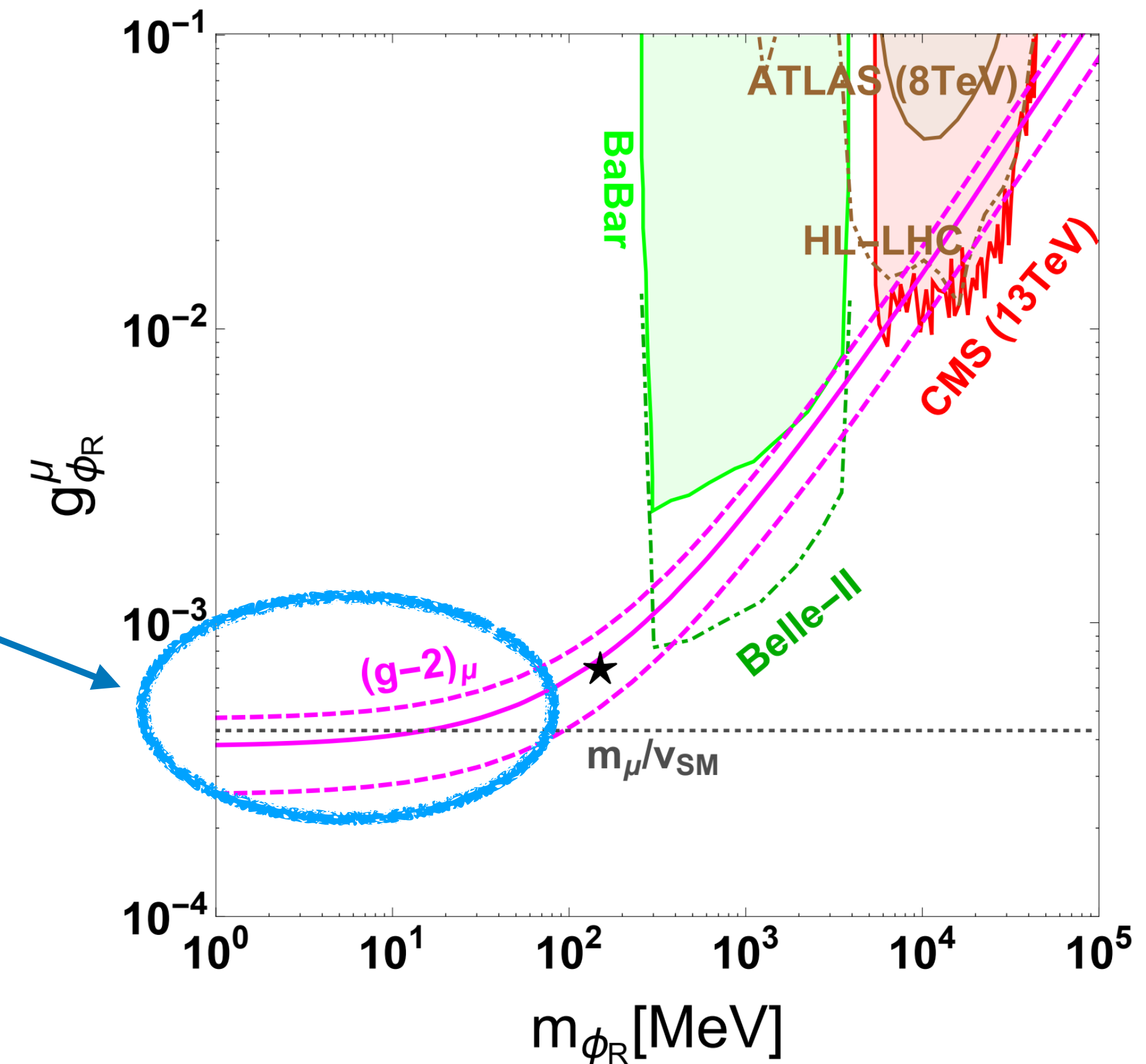
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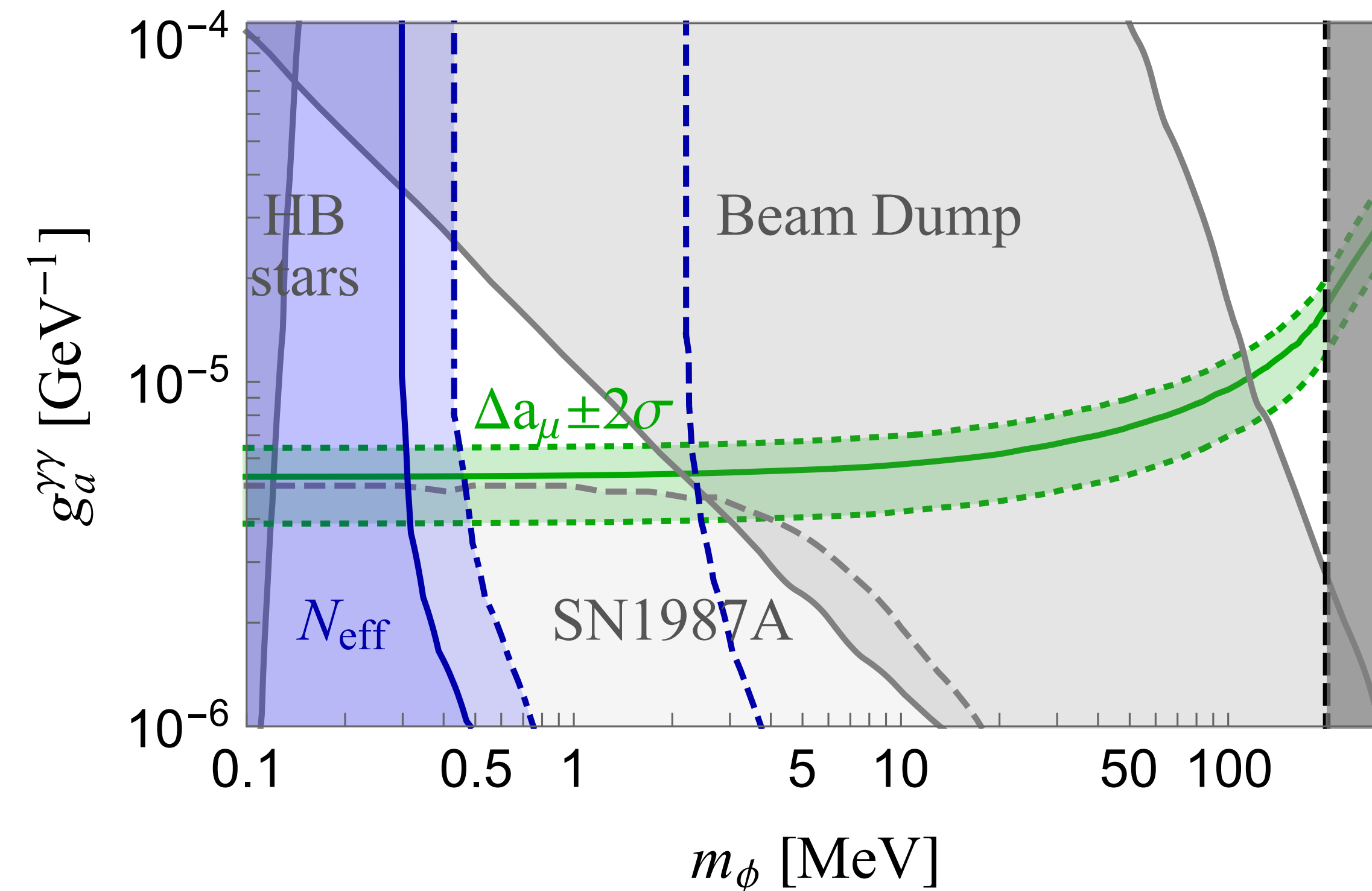
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- Such coupling naturally induce photon couplings at 1-loop

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset -\frac{g_{\gamma\gamma}}{4}\phi F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$

- Right in the cosmological triangle
- We are not satisfactory with adding hand-waiving  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$
- We do it dynamically by coupling scalar to  $\nu$  (neutrinos) and solve the  $\nu$  mass problem at the same time



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# The model setup

- Low energy model:  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset -g_\mu \phi \bar{\mu} \mu - \left( \frac{g_{\nu_a}}{2} \phi \nu_a \cdot \nu_a + h.c. \right)$
- 1-loop induced photon coupling:  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{1\text{-loop}} \supset -\frac{g_{\gamma\gamma}}{4} \phi F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$
- $(g - 2)_\mu$  and cosmological triangle fixes:
  - $m_\phi \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $g_\mu \sim m_\mu / v_h$  and  $g_\gamma \sim -\frac{2\alpha g_\mu}{3\pi m_\mu}$
  - Only neutrino coupling  $g_\nu$  is free parameter
  - Problem:  $\phi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  injects entropy to photon plasma, leads to lower  $T_\nu$

# The solution: delayed neutrino decoupling

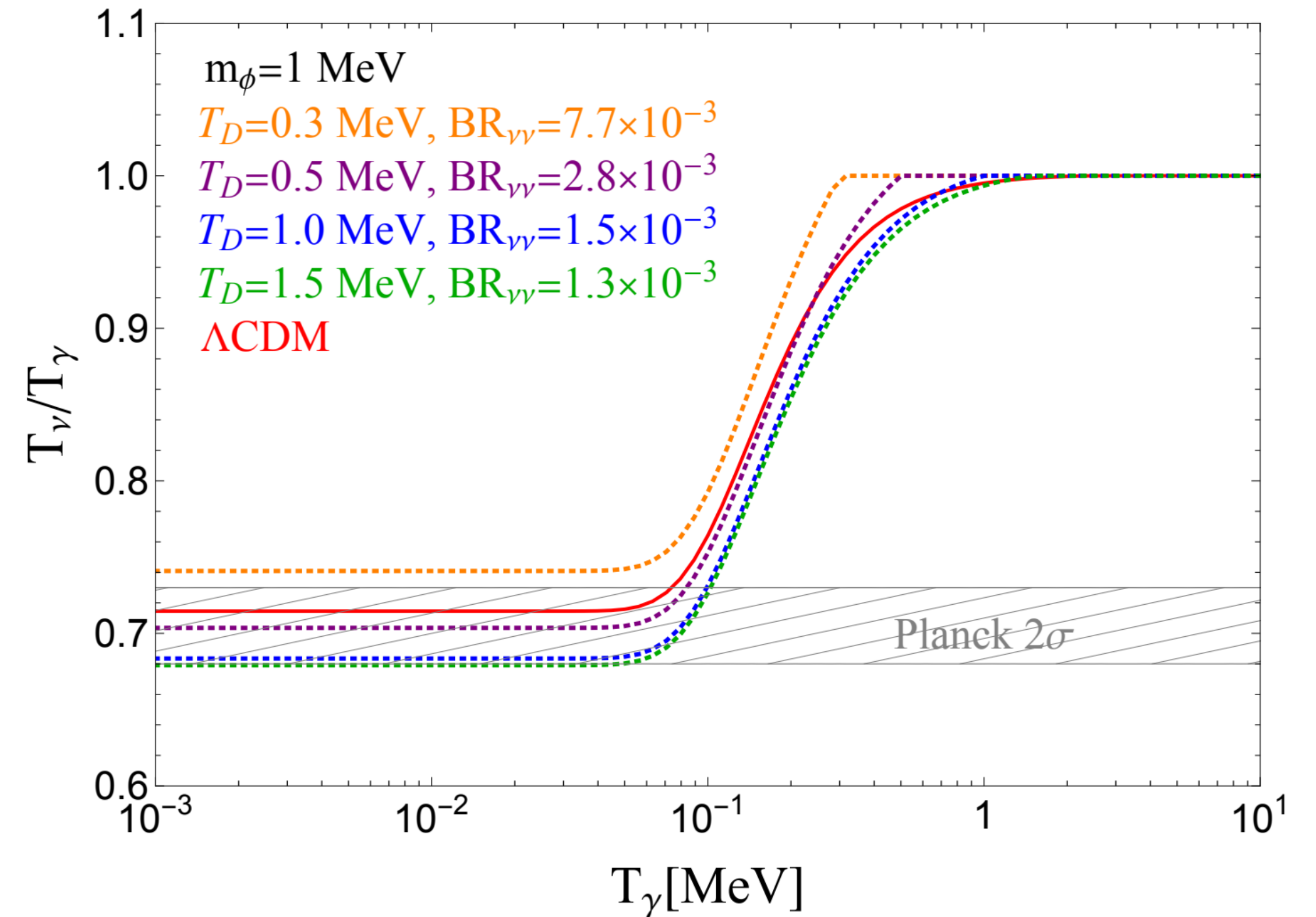
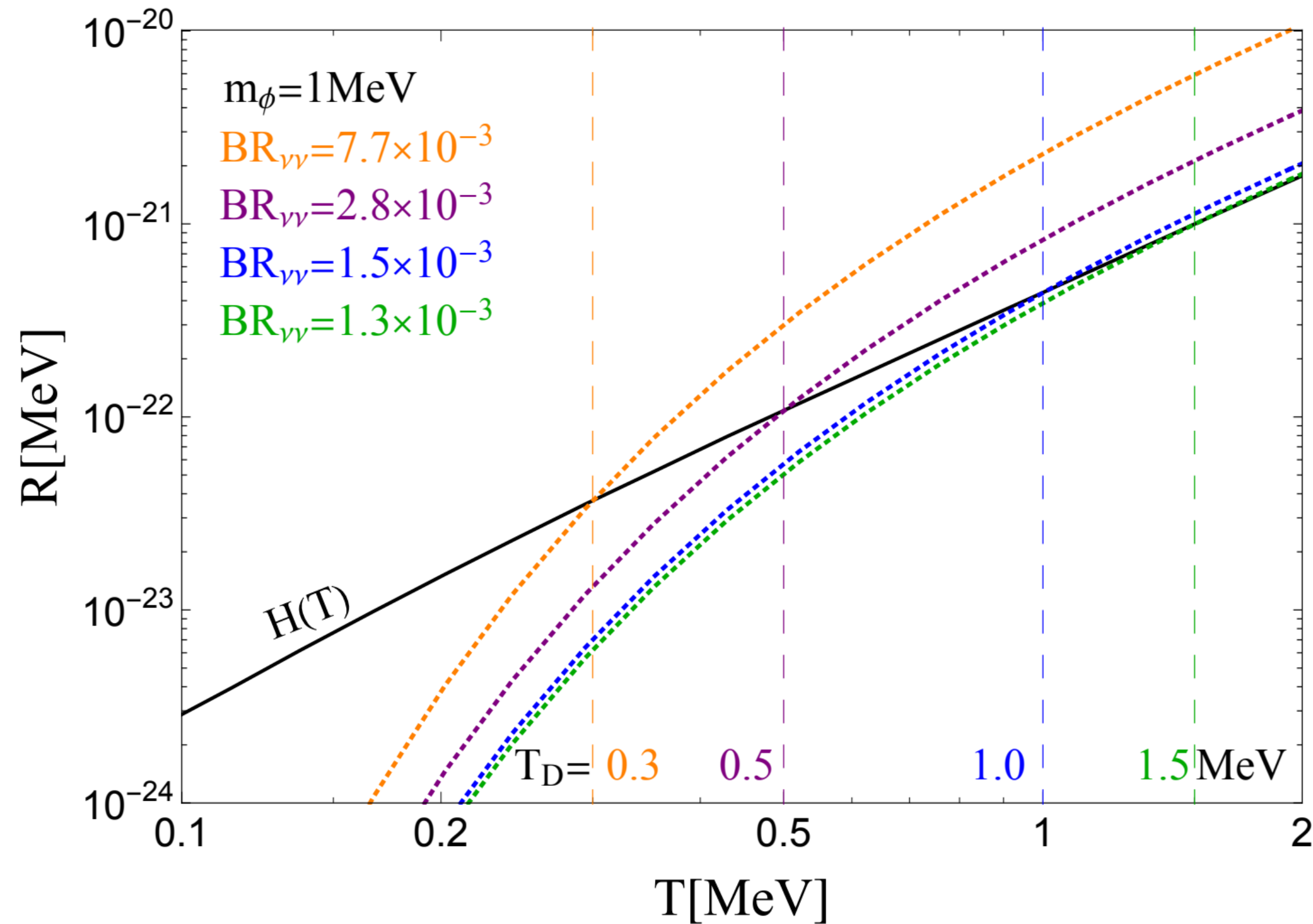
- Solution:  $\phi$  coupling to  $\nu$ , delayed neutrino decoupling  $T_D$ 
  - It forces  $T_\nu = T_\gamma$  ( $T_\gamma < T_D$ ), therefore entropy injection from  $e^+e^-$  shares in  $\nu/\gamma$  sectors
  - Therefore, it effectively raises  $T_\nu$  and compensate the  $\phi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  entropy injection
  - The new decoupling  $T_D$  is determined by s-channel resonant interaction  $\nu\nu \leftrightarrow \phi^* \leftrightarrow \gamma\gamma$

$$\frac{dn_\nu}{dt} + 3Hn_\nu = \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{res}} (n_{\nu,\text{eq}}^2 - n_\nu^2)$$

$$R \equiv n_\nu^{\text{eq}} \langle \sigma v \rangle \approx \frac{8\sqrt{2\pi}}{3\xi(3)} \Gamma_\phi \text{BR}_{\gamma\gamma} \text{BR}_{\nu\nu} x^{-3/2} e^{-x} \quad \text{V.S. Hubble rate}$$

- The new decoupling  $x_D = m_\phi/T_D$ :  $x_D \approx \log \left( \frac{1.67 m_{\text{PL}} \Gamma_\phi \text{BR}_{\gamma\gamma} \text{BR}_{\nu\nu}}{g_*^{1/2} m_\phi^2} \right) + \frac{7}{2} \log(x_D)$ .

# The delayed neutrino decoupling



- Solution:  $\phi$  coupling to  $\nu$ , delayed neutrino decoupling  $T_D$

- A small  $\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow \nu\nu)$  solve the cosmological triangle problem

- We check if it also solves the neutrino mass problem

$$\frac{T_\nu}{T_\gamma} \approx \left( \frac{2 + \frac{7}{2}F(\frac{m_e}{T_\gamma}) + \frac{7}{8}\text{BR}_{\gamma\gamma}F(\frac{m_\phi}{T_\gamma})}{2 + \frac{7}{2}F(\frac{m_e}{T_D}) + \frac{7}{8}\text{BR}_{\gamma\gamma}F(\frac{m_\phi}{T_D})} \cdot \frac{N_\nu + \frac{1}{2}\text{BR}_{\nu\nu}F(\frac{m_\phi}{T_D})}{N_\nu + \frac{1}{2}\text{BR}_{\nu\nu}F(\frac{m_\phi}{T_\gamma})} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$F(y) = \frac{30}{7\pi^4} \int_y^\infty dx \frac{(4x^2 - y^2)\sqrt{x^2 - y^2}}{e^x \pm 1}, \quad (12)$$



# UV model

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$\mu_R$	1	-1	-1
$\phi$	1	0	-1
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$$\begin{aligned}
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- Muon specific coupling  $g_\mu = y_\mu \frac{v \mu_\phi}{\sqrt{2} m_{H'}}$
- Two sterile neutrino setup:
  - One active neutrino is massless
  - Two massive active neutrino can be obtained
  - $\phi$  couples to heaviest active neutrino dominantly
  - Fits to  $\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow \nu\nu) \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1\%)$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{m}_{\nu_1} &= 0, \\ \tilde{m}_{\nu_{2,3}} &= \frac{v v'}{\sqrt{2} \lambda_N v_\phi} (|\vec{y}_N| |\vec{y}_{N'}| \mp \vec{y}_N \cdot \vec{y}_{N'}) \sim 0.1 \text{eV}, \\ \tilde{m}_{N,N'} &\approx \frac{\lambda_N v_\phi}{\sqrt{2}} \pm \frac{m_N + m_{N'}}{2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_N v_\phi}\right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 &= 0, \quad m_2 \simeq 8.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}, \quad m_3 \simeq 0.059 \text{eV} \\ g_{\nu_3} &\approx 2.5 \times 10^{-10} \end{aligned}$$

# Summary

- Light dark sector can solve  $(g - 2)_\mu$  problem, but is under severe constraints
- Dark scalar solution is less constrained than dark photon
- However, needs extra  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$  to save the cosmological triangle
- We build a dynamic model to save the cosmological triangle
  - Solve  $(g - 2)_\mu$  and neutrino mass simultaneously

# Backup slides

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$$g_\mu = y_\mu \frac{v \mu_\phi}{\sqrt{2} m_{H'}^2}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \vec{\nu} \\ N \\ N' \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{I}_{3 \times 3} & \frac{\vec{y}_N v + \vec{y}_{N'} v'}{\sqrt{2} \lambda_N v_\phi} & \frac{\vec{y}_N v - \vec{y}_{N'} v'}{\sqrt{2} \lambda_N v_\phi} \\ -\frac{\vec{y}_{N'}^T v'}{\lambda_N v_\phi} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + z & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + z \\ -\frac{\vec{y}_N^T v}{\lambda_N v_\phi} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + z & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\nu}' \\ \tilde{N} \\ \tilde{N}' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_{ij} = (y_{N,i} y_{N',j} + y_{N,j} y_{N',i}) \frac{\sqrt{2} v v'}{2 \lambda_N v_\phi},$$

$$\tilde{m}_{\nu_1} = 0,$$

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$$\tilde{m}_N \approx \frac{\lambda_N v_\phi}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{m_N + m_{N'}}{2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_N v_\phi}\right),$$

$$\tilde{m}_{N'} \approx \frac{\lambda_N v_\phi}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{m_N + m_{N'}}{2} \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_N v_\phi}\right),$$

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