Studying the Sterile Baryonic Neutrino Using Direct Detection and Spallation Source Experiments

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Introduction

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  - Spallation-Source experiments
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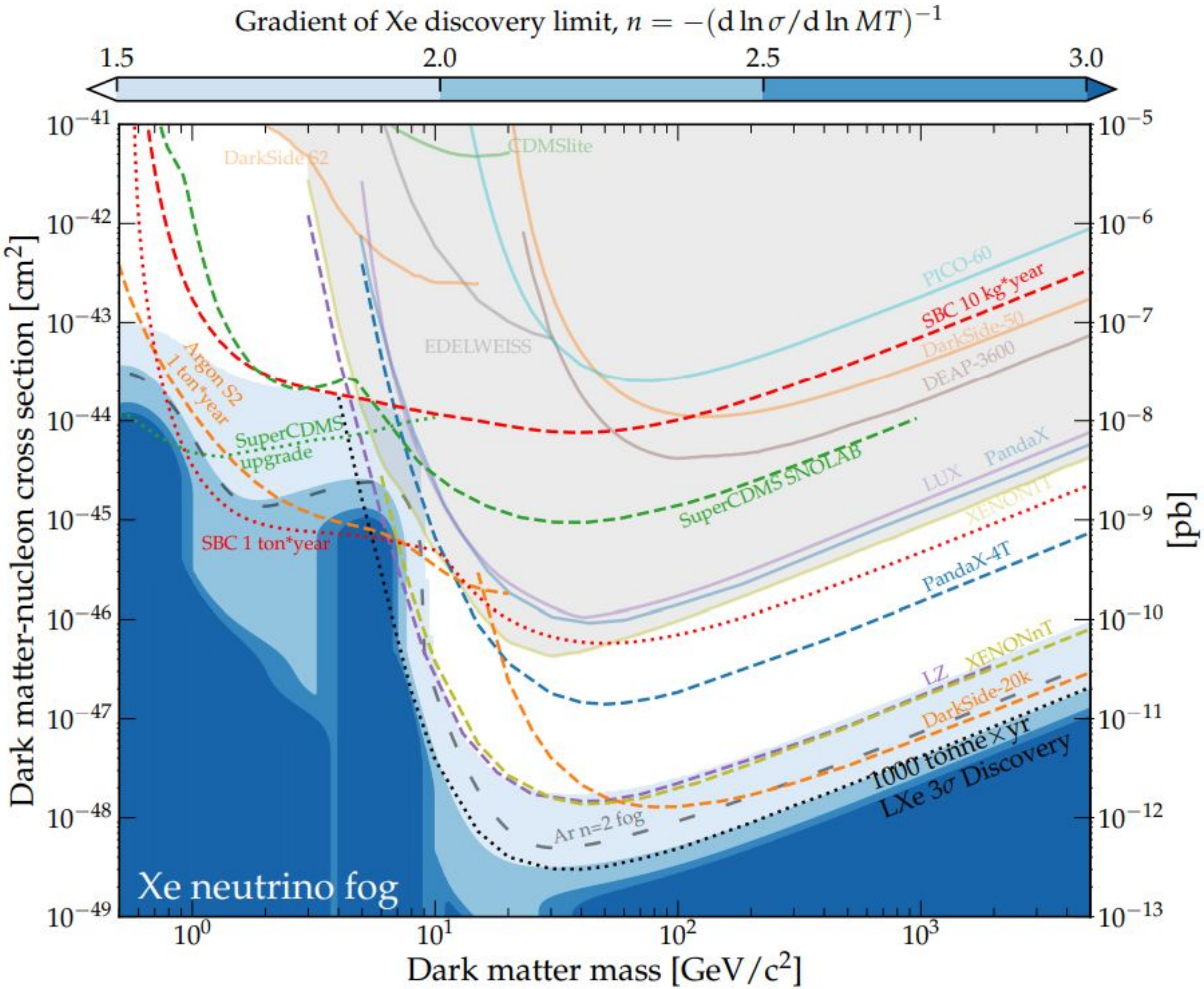
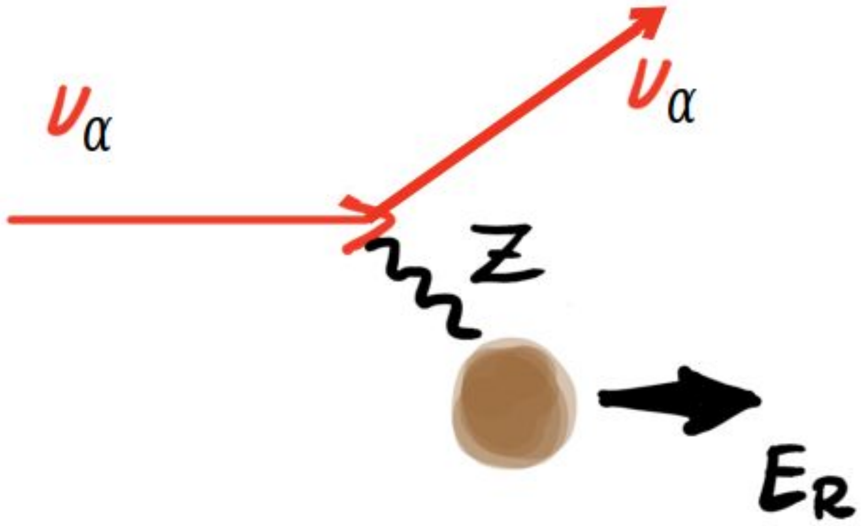
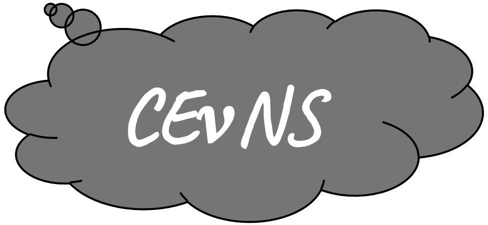

Gradient of Xe discovery limit, $n = -(\mathrm{d}\ln\sigma/\mathrm{d}\ln MT)^{-1}$
1.5
2.0
2.5
3.0
Dark matter-nucleon cross section [cm^2]
[pb]
Dark matter mass [GeV/c^2]
DarkSide 62
CDMSlite
EDELWEISS
PICO-60
SBC 10 kg*year
DarkSide-50
DEAP-3600
PandaX
LUX
XENON1T
SuperCDMS SNOLAB
PandaX-4T
SuperCDMS upgrade
Argon S2 1 ton*year
SBC 1 ton*year
LZ
XENONnT
DarkSide-20k
1000 tonne×yr LXe 3σ Discovery
Ar n=2 fog
Xe neutrino fog

Coherent elastic Neutrino-Nucleus scattering





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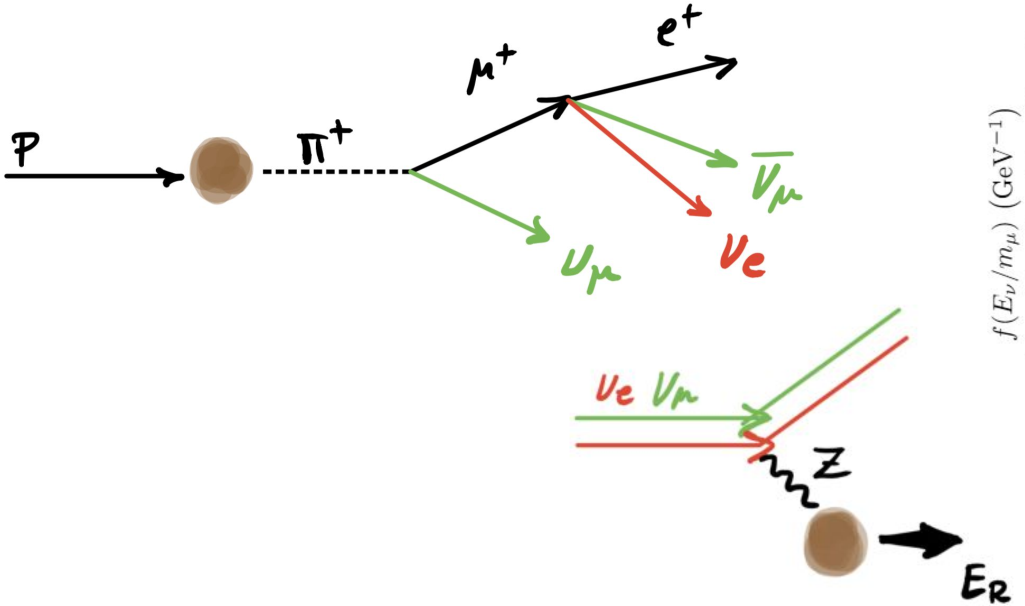
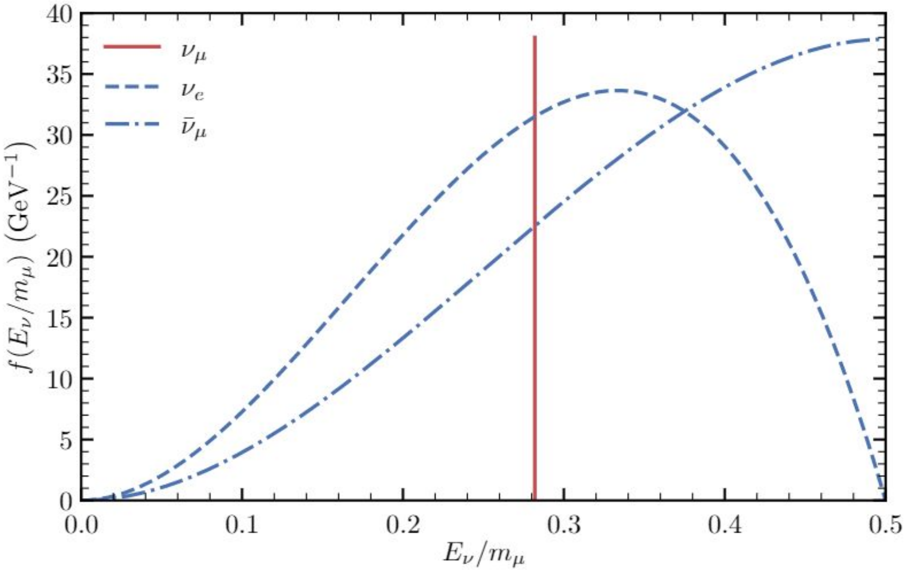
… And detected by the COHERENT collaboration!!

[Akimov et al. 1708.01294 (2017)]

CEνNS @ Spallation Source Experiments

$$N_{\mathrm{CE}\nu\mathrm{NS}} = \sum_{\nu_\alpha} N_{\mathrm{targ}} \int_{E_{\mathrm{th}}}^{E_R^{\mathrm{max}}} \int_{E_\nu^{\mathrm{min}}}^{E_\nu^{\mathrm{max}}} \frac{\mathrm{d}N_{\nu_\alpha}}{\mathrm{d}E_\nu}\, \epsilon(E_R)\, \frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\nu_\alpha N}}{\mathrm{d}E_R}\, \mathrm{d}E_\nu\, \mathrm{d}E_R$$





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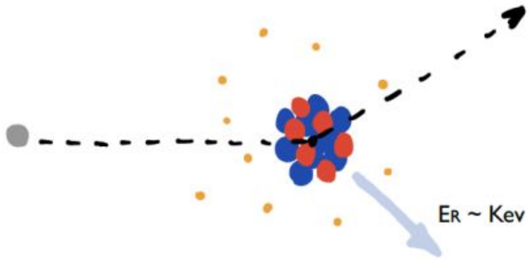

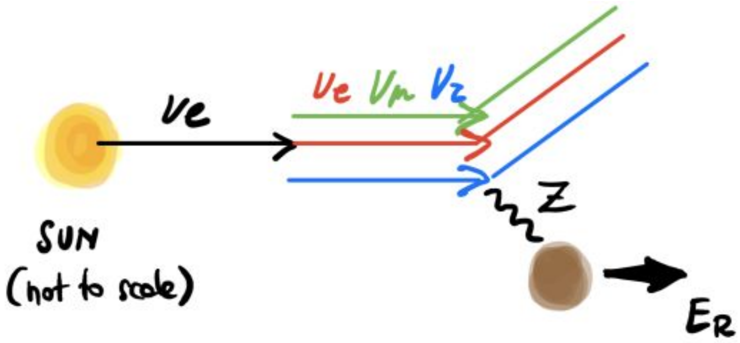

Different experimental setups

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$\nu_e \quad \nu_\mu \quad \overline{\nu}_\mu$

DM Direct Detection Experiments

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So, why not to combine them??

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PARAMETER SPACE

$$g_{Z'} \,,\, m_{Z'}$$

$$m_N, |V_{eN}|, |V_{\mu N}|, |V_{\tau N}|$$

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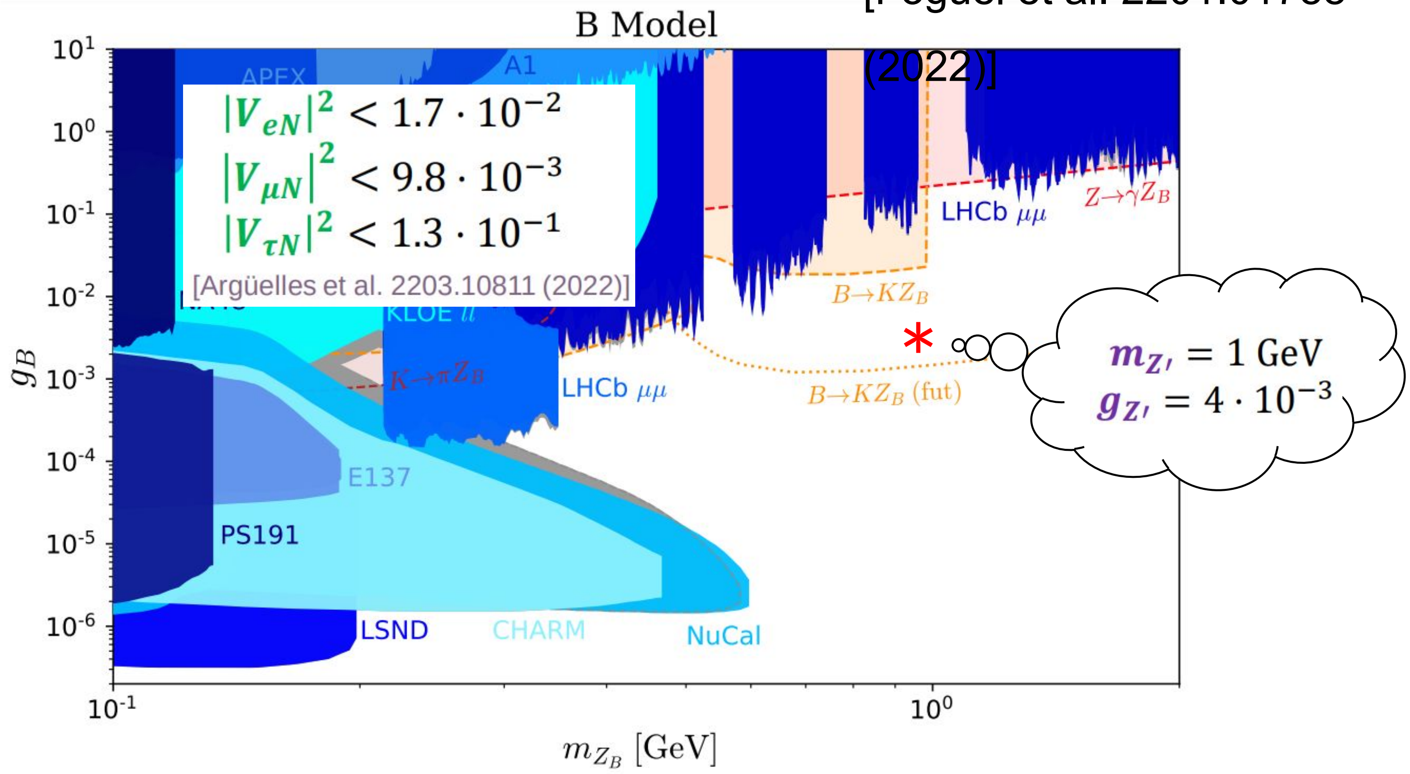

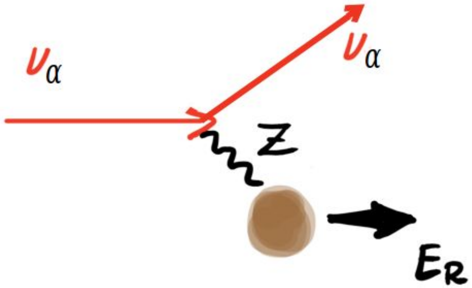

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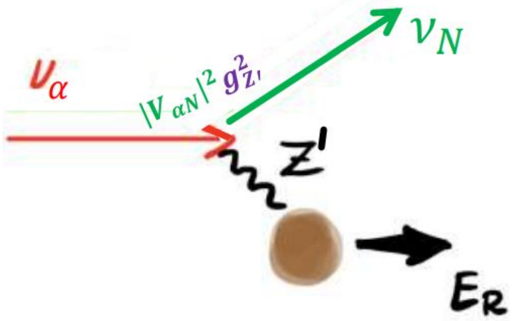

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Results

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Let’s study some benchmark points

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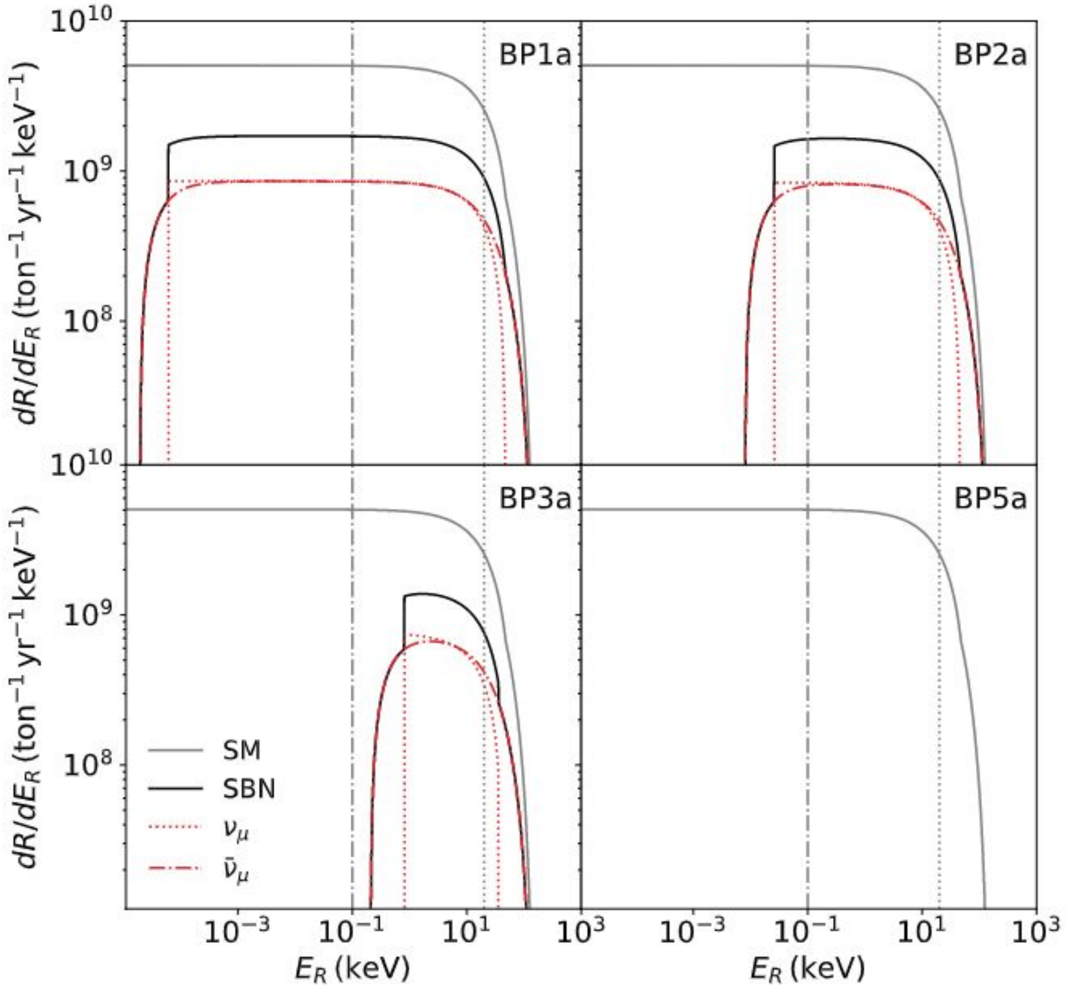
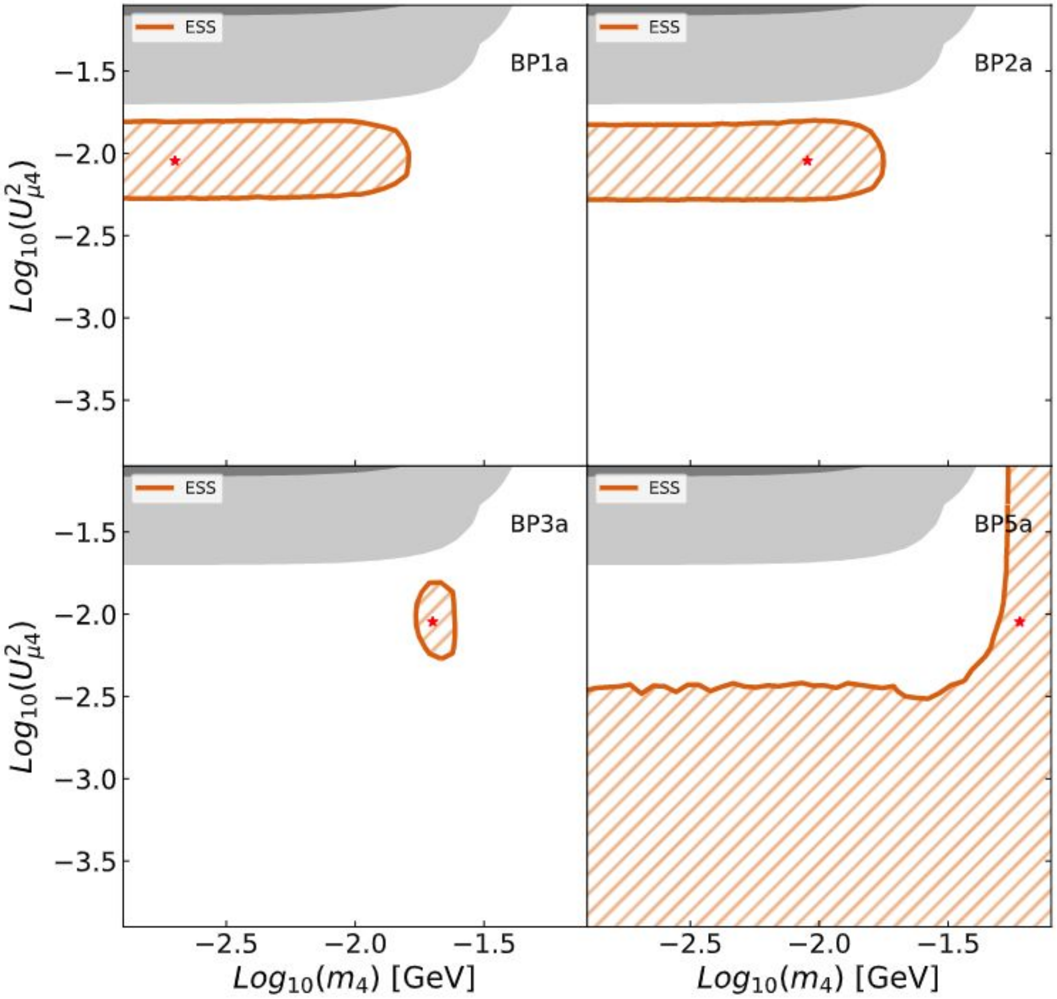
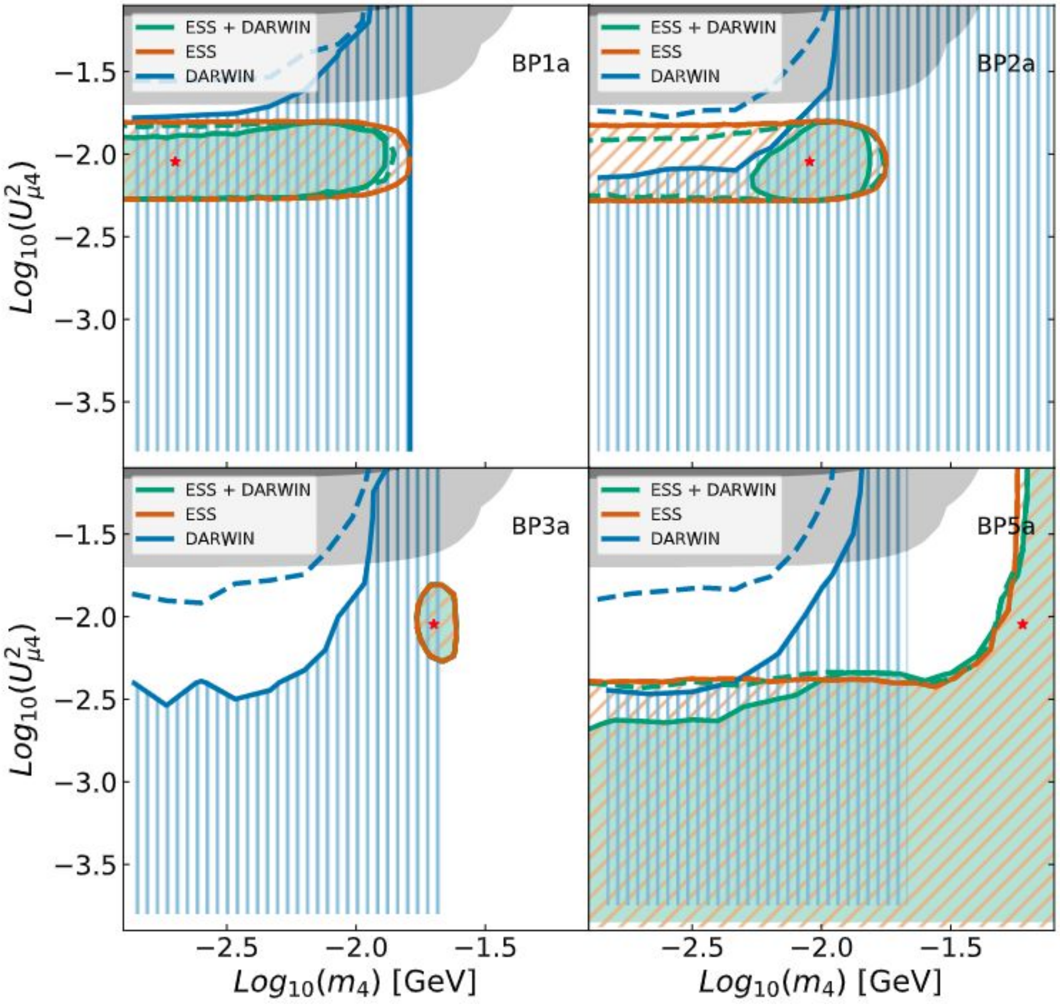

BP1a
BP2a
BP3a
BP5a
dR/dE_R (ton^{-1} yr^{-1} keV^{-1})
E_R (keV)
SM
SBN
ν_μ
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$



ESS
BP1a
BP2a
BP3a
BP5a
$Log_{10}(U_{\mu 4}^2)$
$Log_{10}(m_4)$ [GeV]
−1.5
−2.0
−2.5
−3.0
−3.5



ESS + DARWIN
ESS
DARWIN
BP1a
BP2a
BP3a
BP5a
−1.5
−2.0
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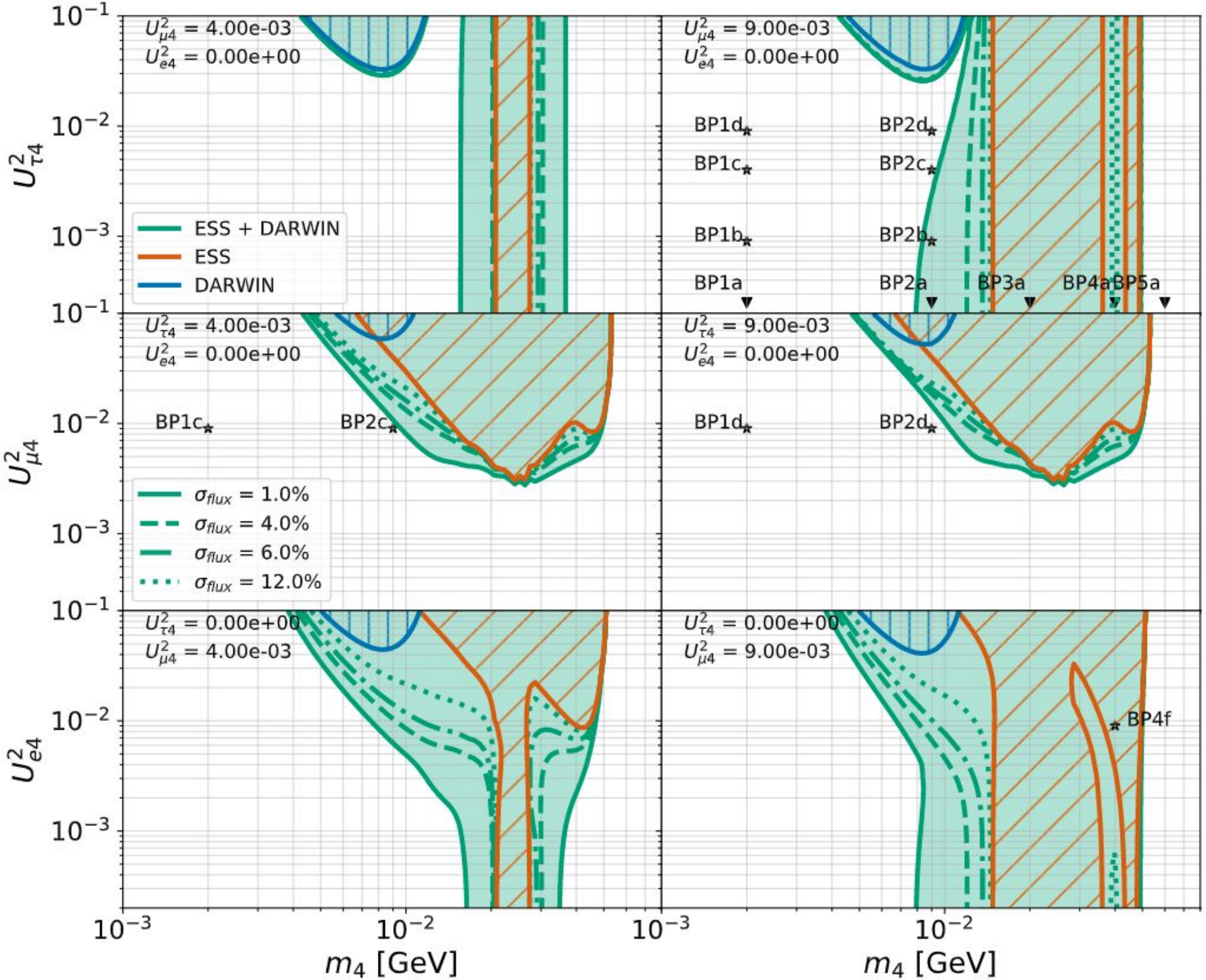

$U^2_{\mu 4}$ = 4.00e-03
U^2_{e4} = 0.00e+00
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ESS + DARWIN
ESS
DARWIN
σ_{flux} = 1.0%
σ_{flux} = 4.0%
σ_{flux} = 6.0%
σ_{flux} = 12.0%
BP1a
BP1b
BP1c
BP1d
BP2a
BP2b
BP2c
BP2d
BP3a
BP4a
BP5a
BP4f
$U^2_{\tau 4}$
$U^2_{\mu 4}$
U^2_{e4}
m_4 [GeV]
10^{-1}
10^{-2}
10^{-3}

Conclusions

- Sterile neutrino models can be probed with Spallation Source (SS) and Direct Detection (DD) experiments.
- DD will be able to access to very low recoil energies, all the neutrino flavours but not big masses.
- SS will be able to access to heavier sterile neutrinos but not to all neutrino flavours.
- Combining DD and SS may help…
    - improving the significance,
    - constraining the parameter space
    - allowing parameter reconstruction (especially in the couplings),
    - and allowing model discrimination (Sterile Baryonic Neutrino).

THANK YOU

Back up

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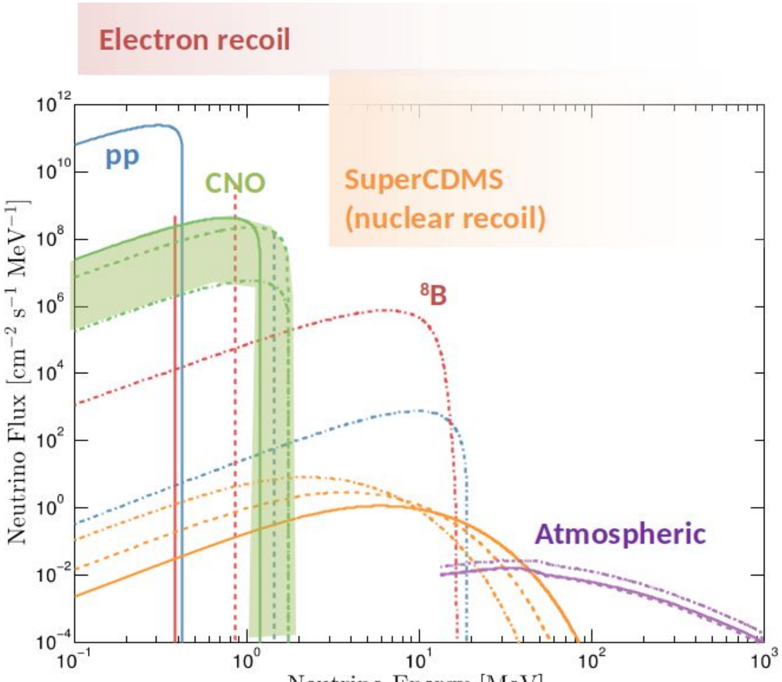

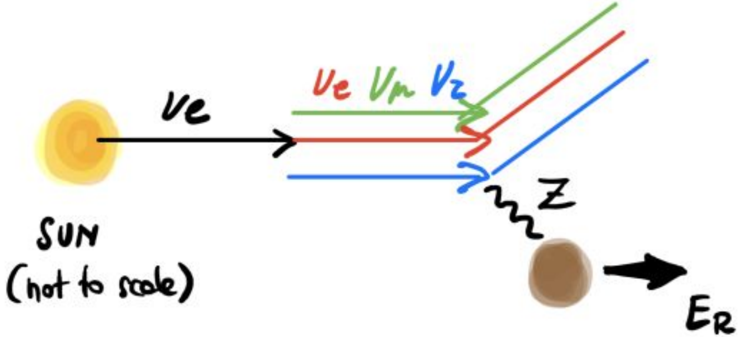

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Z'^{μ}: baryonic vector boson $U(1)_B$ $(m_{Z'})$

$g_{Z'}$: $U(1)_B$ gauge coupling

ν_N: sterile baryonic neutrino (m_N)

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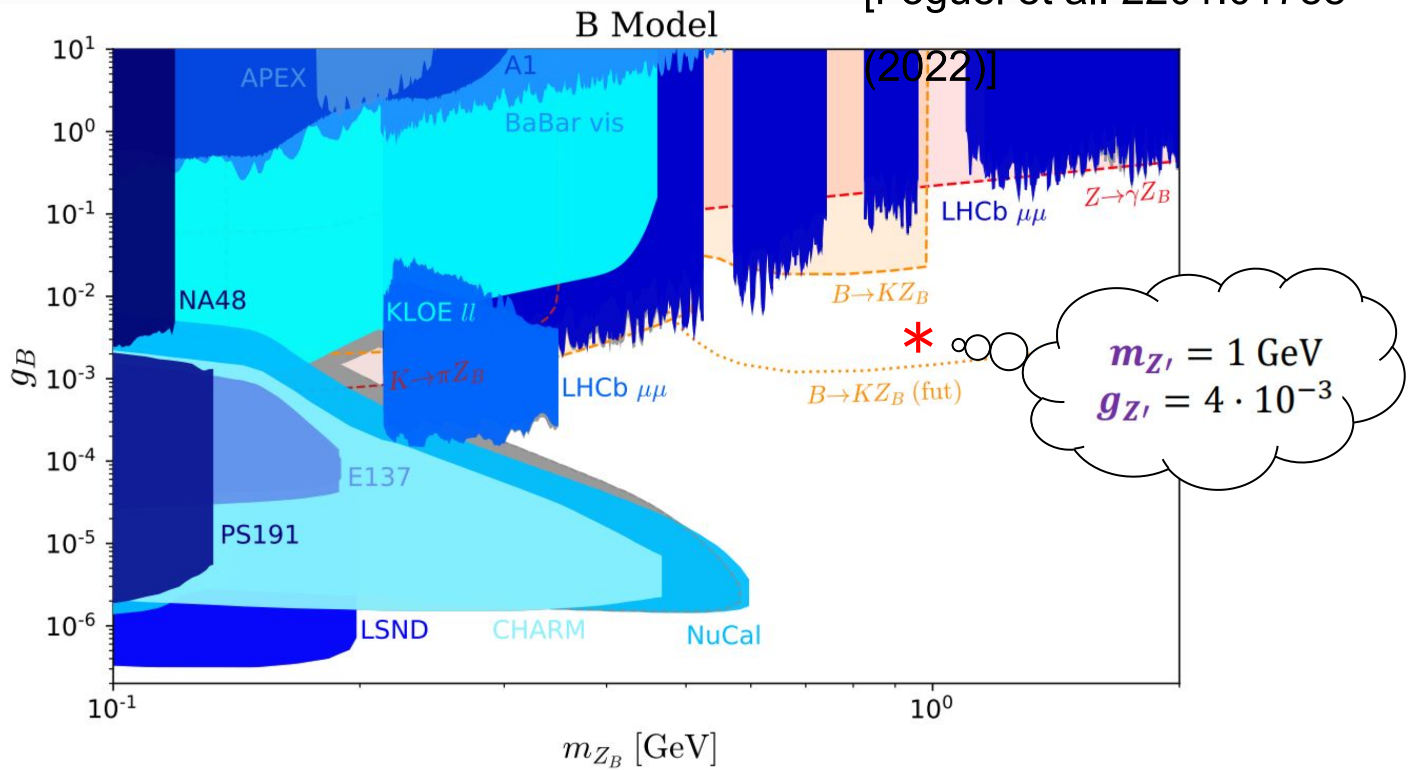

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Experiment	M_{det} (ton)	E_{th} (keV$_{nr}$)	N_{POT} ($\times10^{23}$)	r	L (m)	σ_{sys}
ESS	1	20	2.8	0.3	20	5%

Experiment	M_{det} (ton)	E_{th} (keV$_{nr}$)	$\sigma_{^8B}$
DARWIN	200	1	1(4)%

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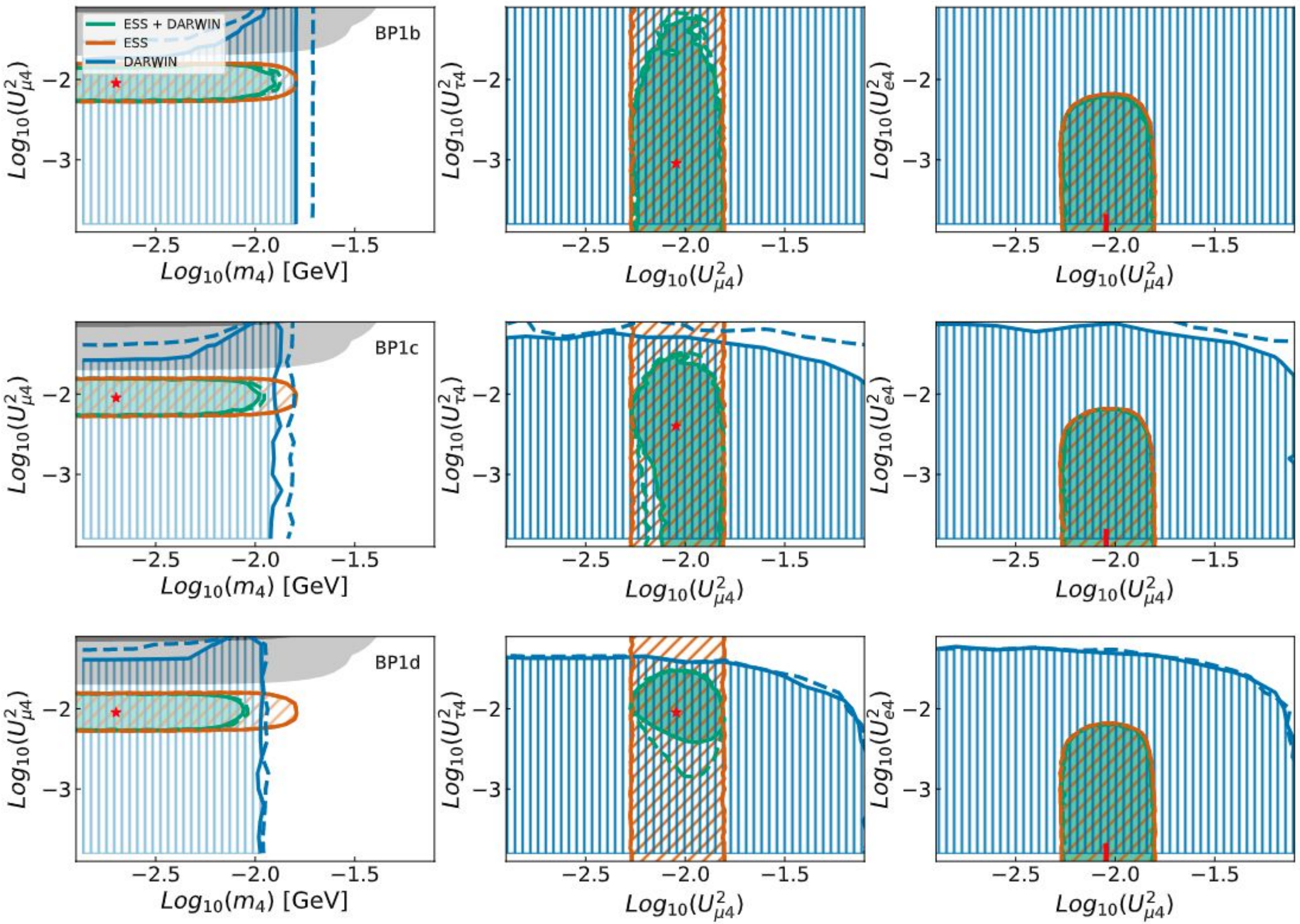
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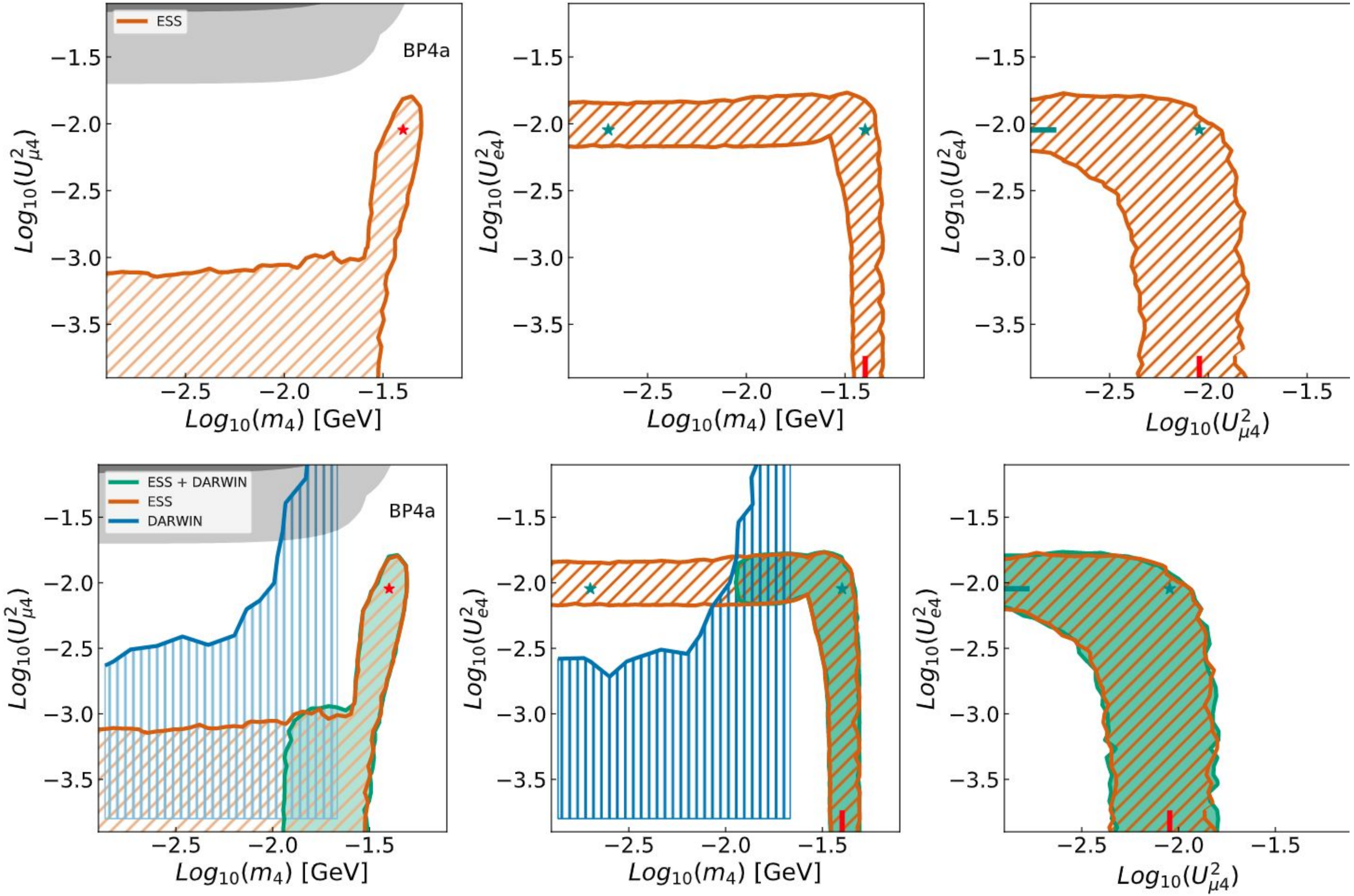
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