

Constraining new physics scenarios with COHERENT data

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- ✓ Phenomenology of CEvNS
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 - ✓ Neutrino Magnetic Moment
 - ✓ Leptoquarks

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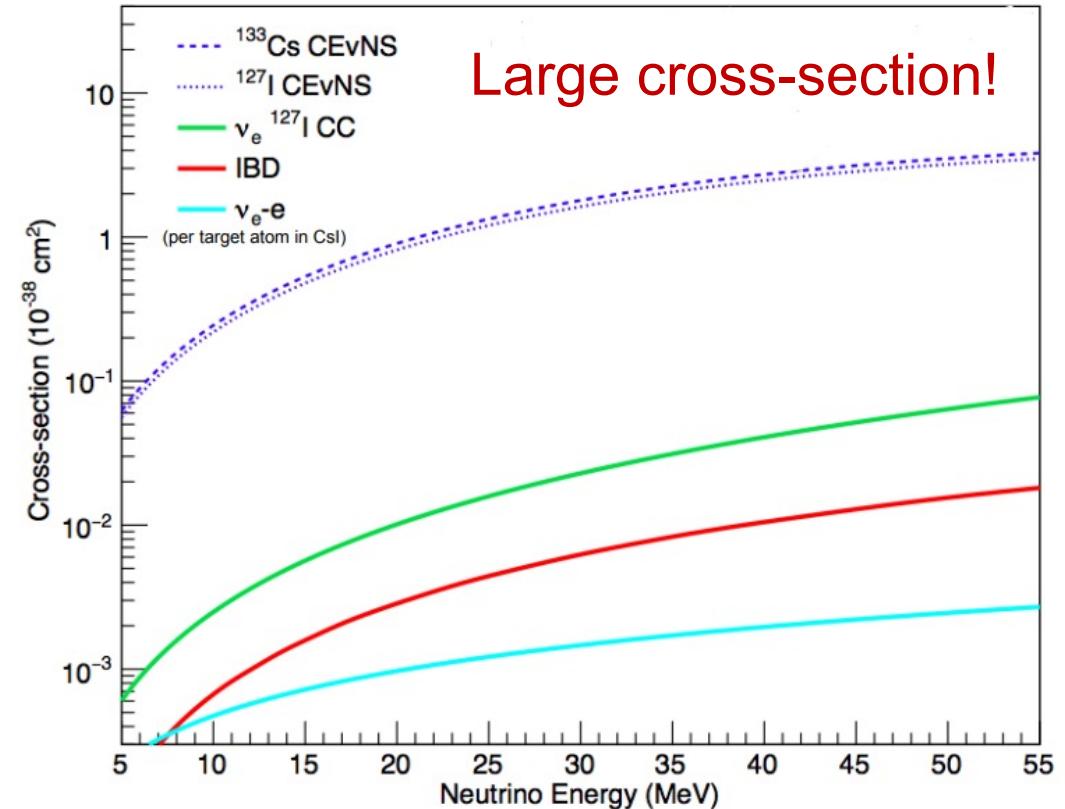
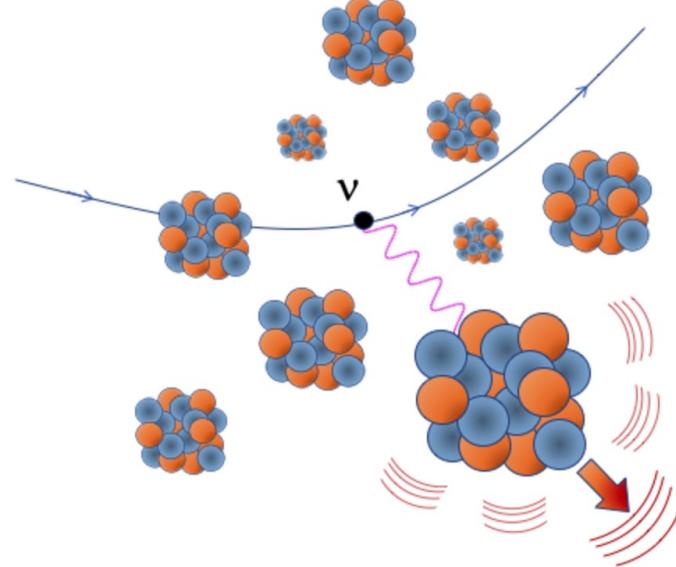
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Coherent Elastic Neutrino-Nucleus Scattering

Neutral current process within the SM.

Neutrino interacts with a nucleus as a **whole**.

The nucleus acquires a kinetic recoil energy.



D. Akimov et al. Science, 357(6356) 1123–1126 (2017).

<https://nucleus-experiment.org/main-topic-1>

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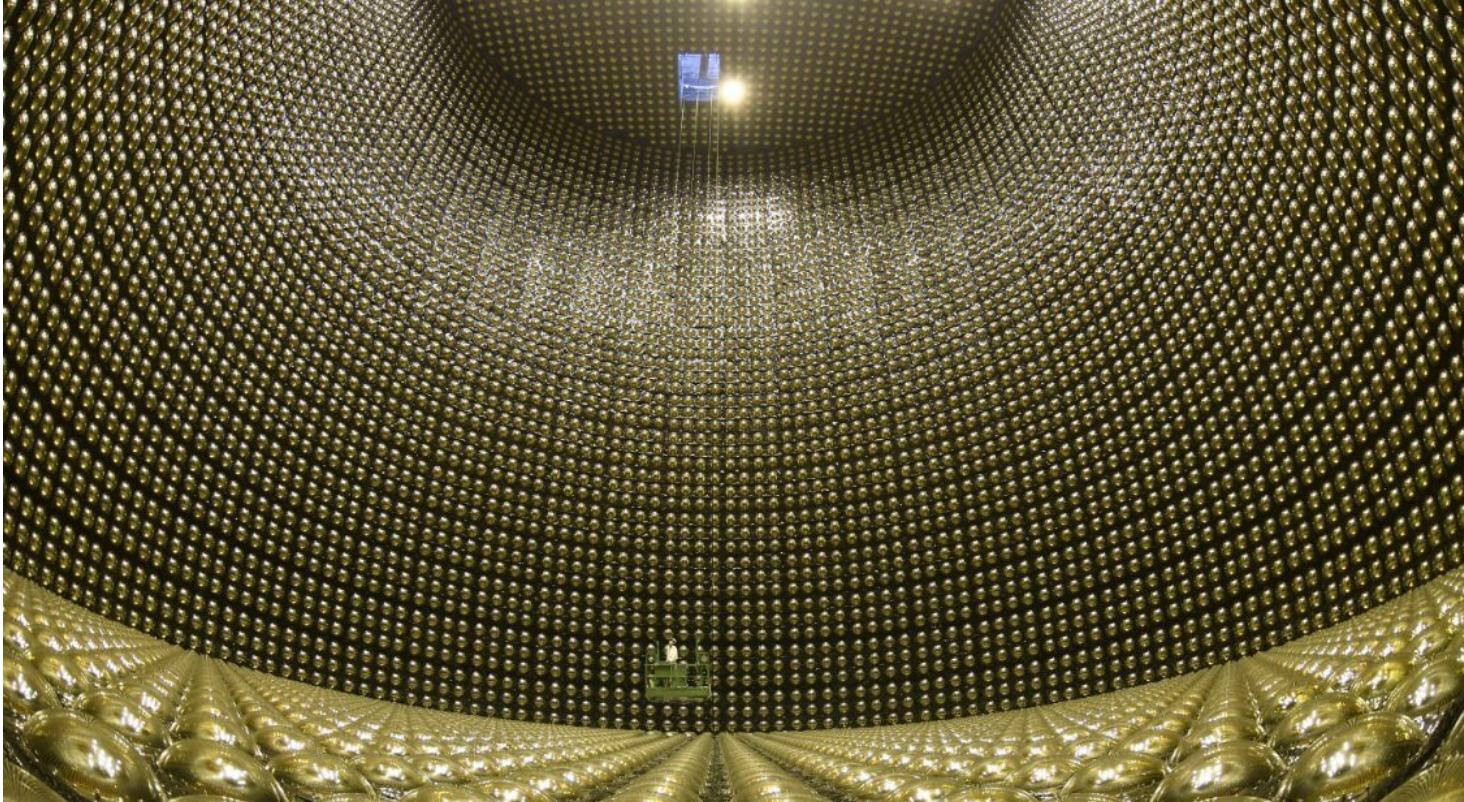
$$Q_V^{\text{SM}} = g_V^p Z + g_V^n N,$$

The cross section
effectively scales as N^2

Why do we care about CEvNS?

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Usually, neutrino detectors are huge!



<https://www-sk.icrr.u-tokyo.ac.jp/>

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In addition:

We can perform tests to SM
parameters.

Study the phenomenology of a
variety of new physics scenarios!

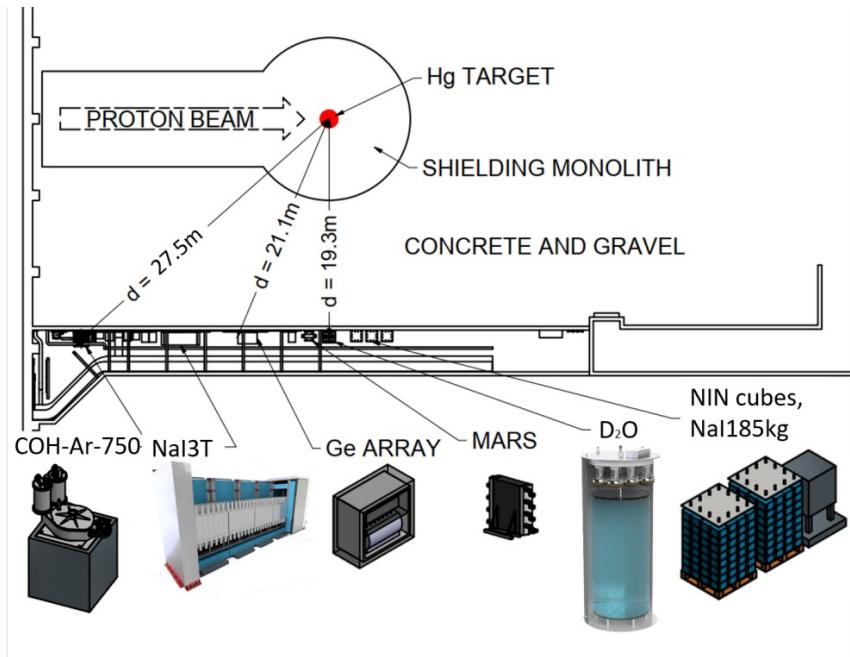


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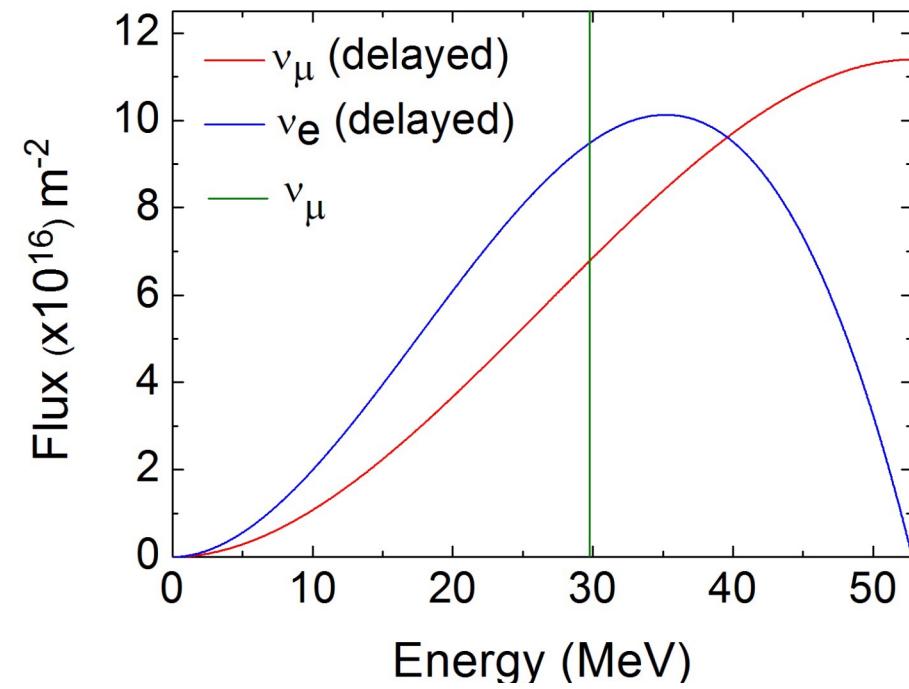
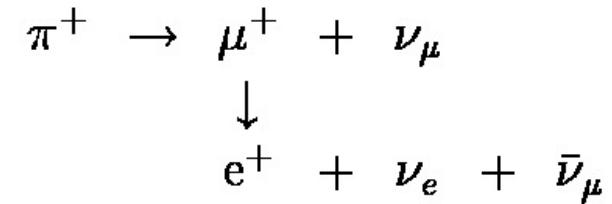
How to measure CEvNS?

The COHERENT experiment

Use of pion decay at rest neutrinos at the Spallation Neutron Source



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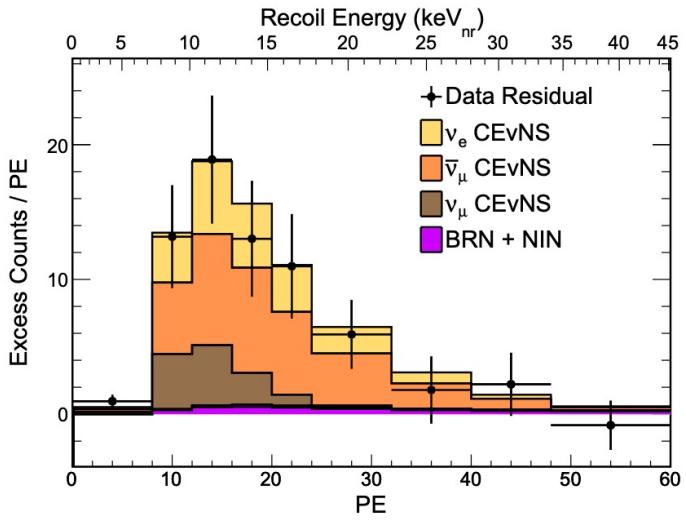


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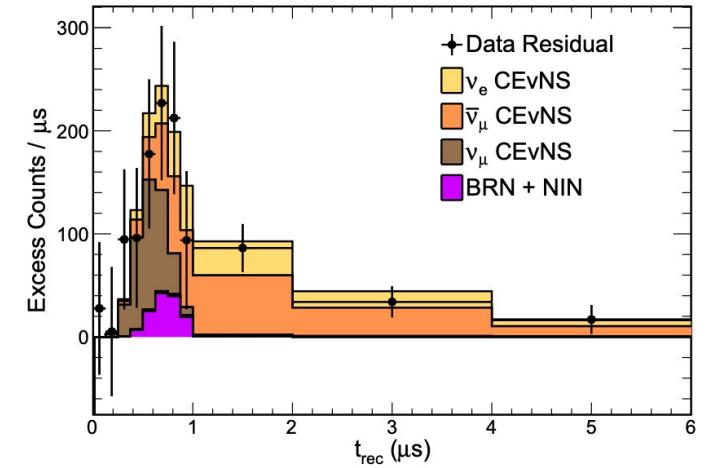
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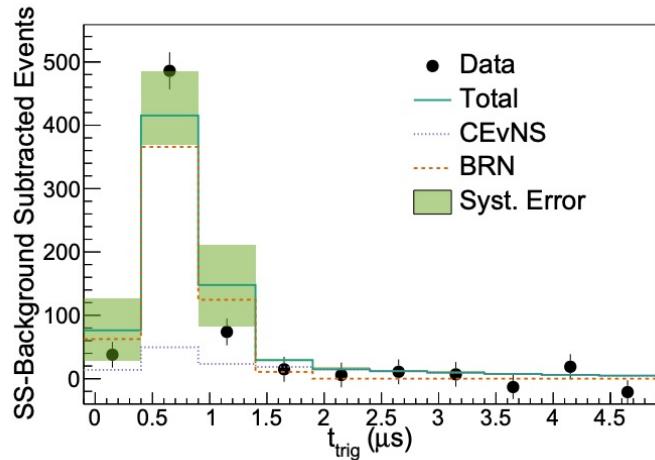
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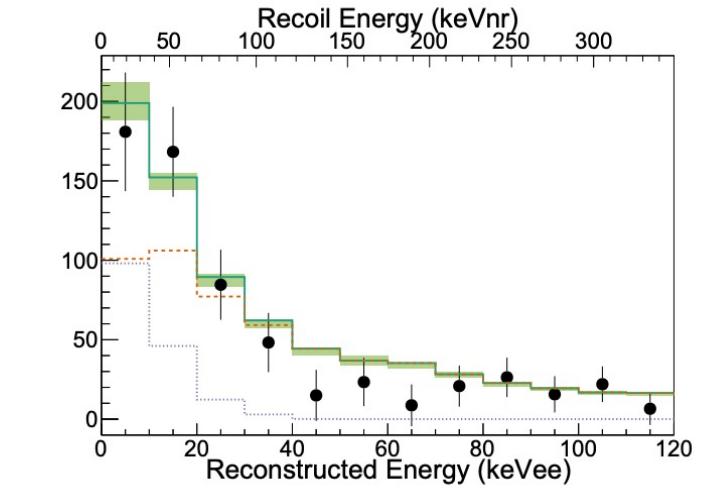
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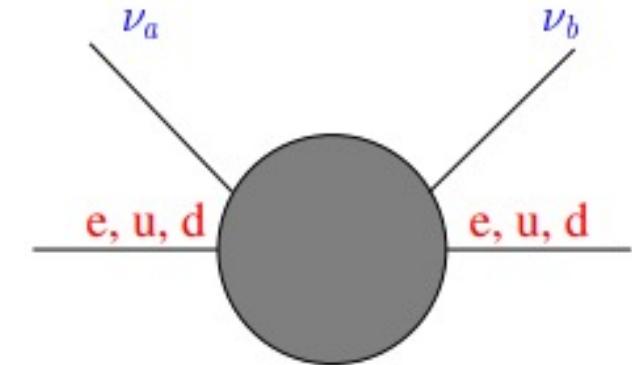
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I) Non-Standard Interactions (NSI)

Neutral current Lagrangian allowing for non universal
and flavor changing interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NC}}^{\text{NSI}} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F \sum_{q,\ell,\ell'} \varepsilon_{\ell\ell'}^{qX} (\bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_{\ell'}) (\bar{f} \gamma_\mu P_X f)$$



$\varepsilon_{ll}^{qX} \Rightarrow$ Non-universal

$\varepsilon_{ll'}^{qX} \Rightarrow$ Flavor changing

The weak charge is modified so we can test these NSI parameters.

$$Q_V^{\text{SM}} = g_V^p Z + g_V^n N,$$



$$\begin{aligned} Q_V^{\text{NSI}} &= \left[(g_V^p + 2\varepsilon_{\ell\ell}^{uV} + \varepsilon_{\ell\ell}^{dV}) Z + (g_V^n + \varepsilon_{\ell\ell}^{uV} + 2\varepsilon_{\ell\ell}^{dV}) N \right]^2 \\ &+ \sum_{\ell,\ell'} \left[(2\varepsilon_{\ell\ell'}^{uV} + \varepsilon_{\ell\ell'}^{dV}) Z + (\varepsilon_{\ell\ell'}^{uV} + 2\varepsilon_{\ell\ell'}^{dV}) N \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

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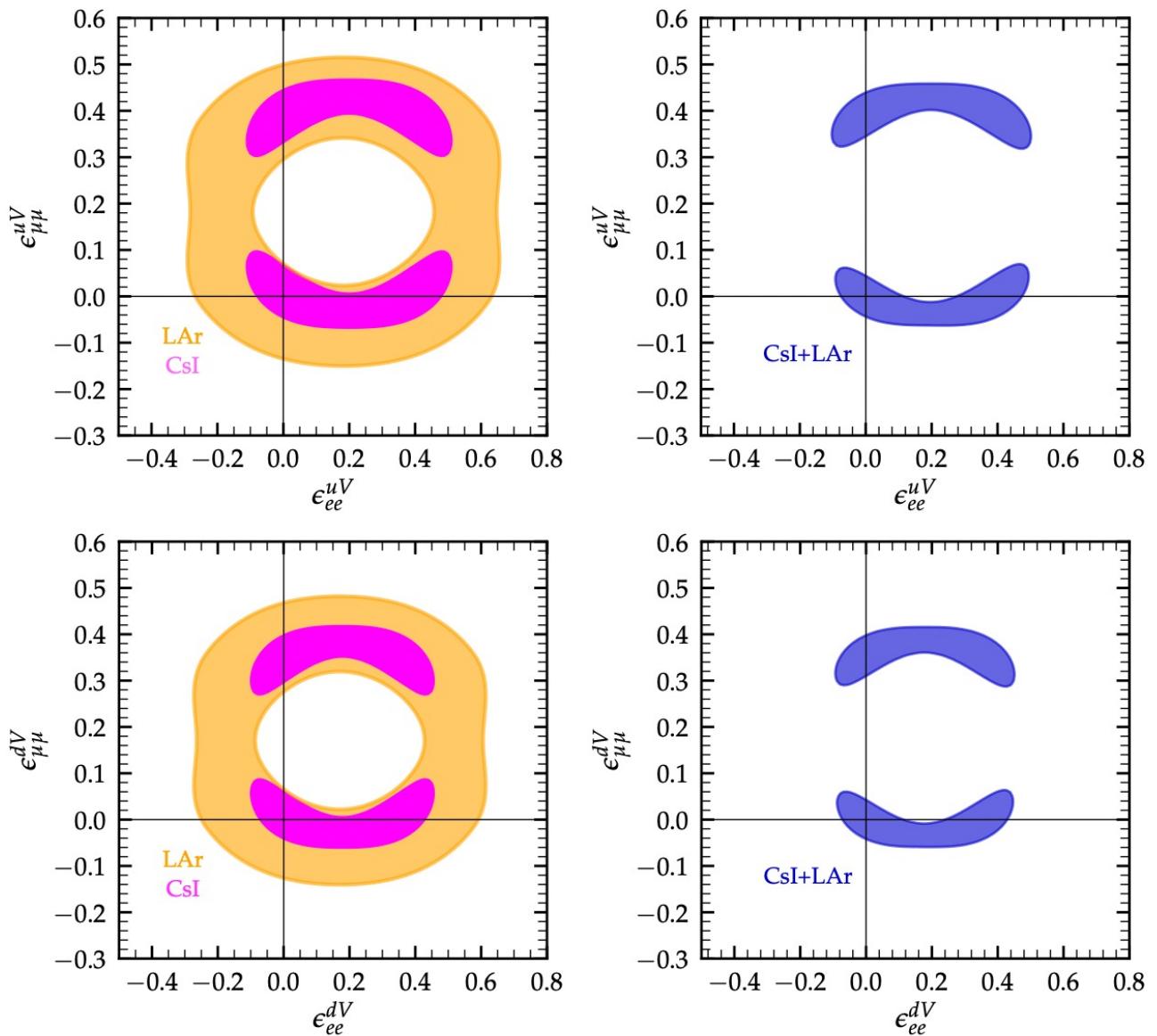
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A **combined analysis** is dominated by CsI data.

Better bounds for muon related NSI than electron NSI

There is a degeneracy in the parameter space.

Second solution that reproduces the SM prediction for the number of events.



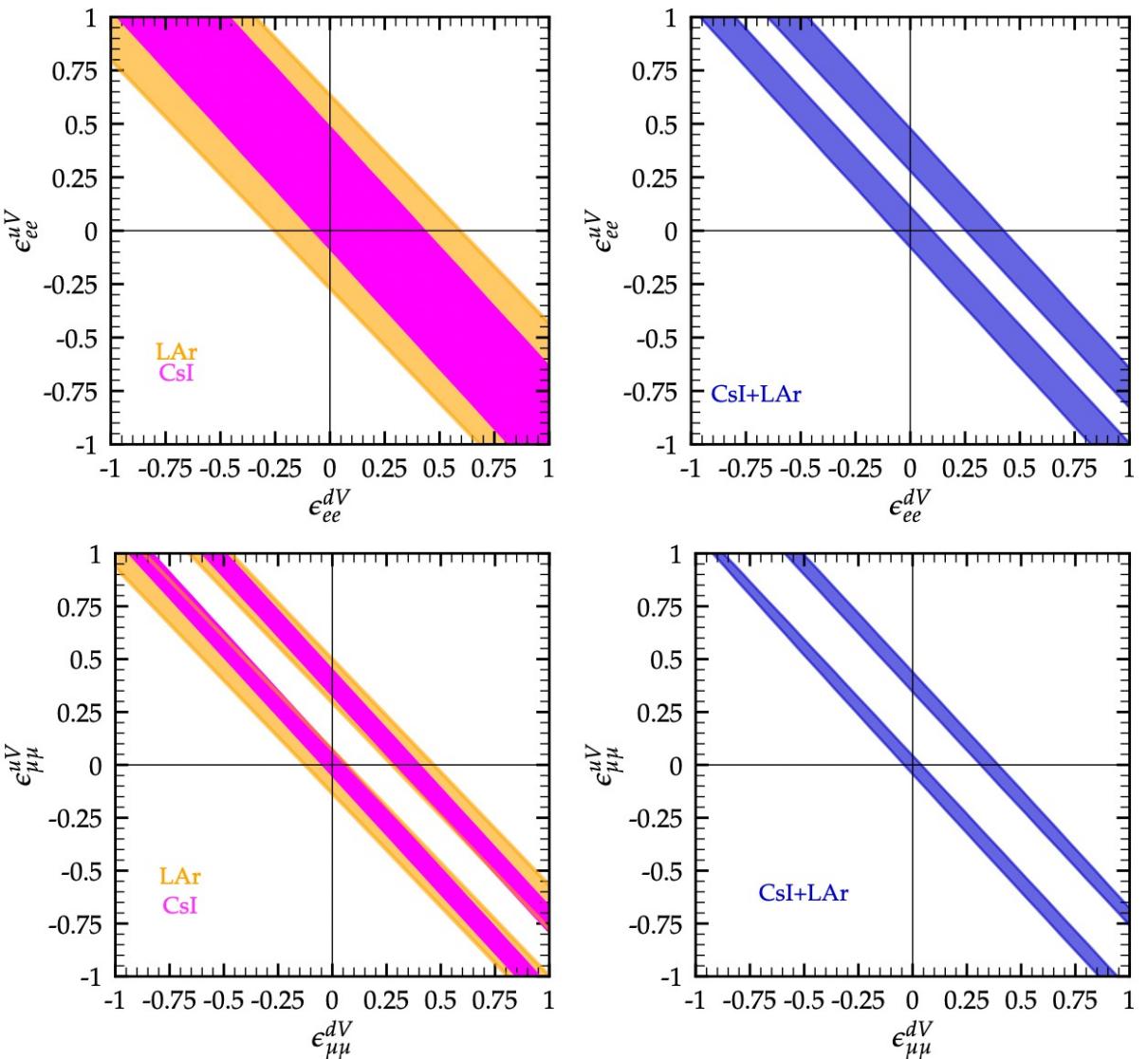
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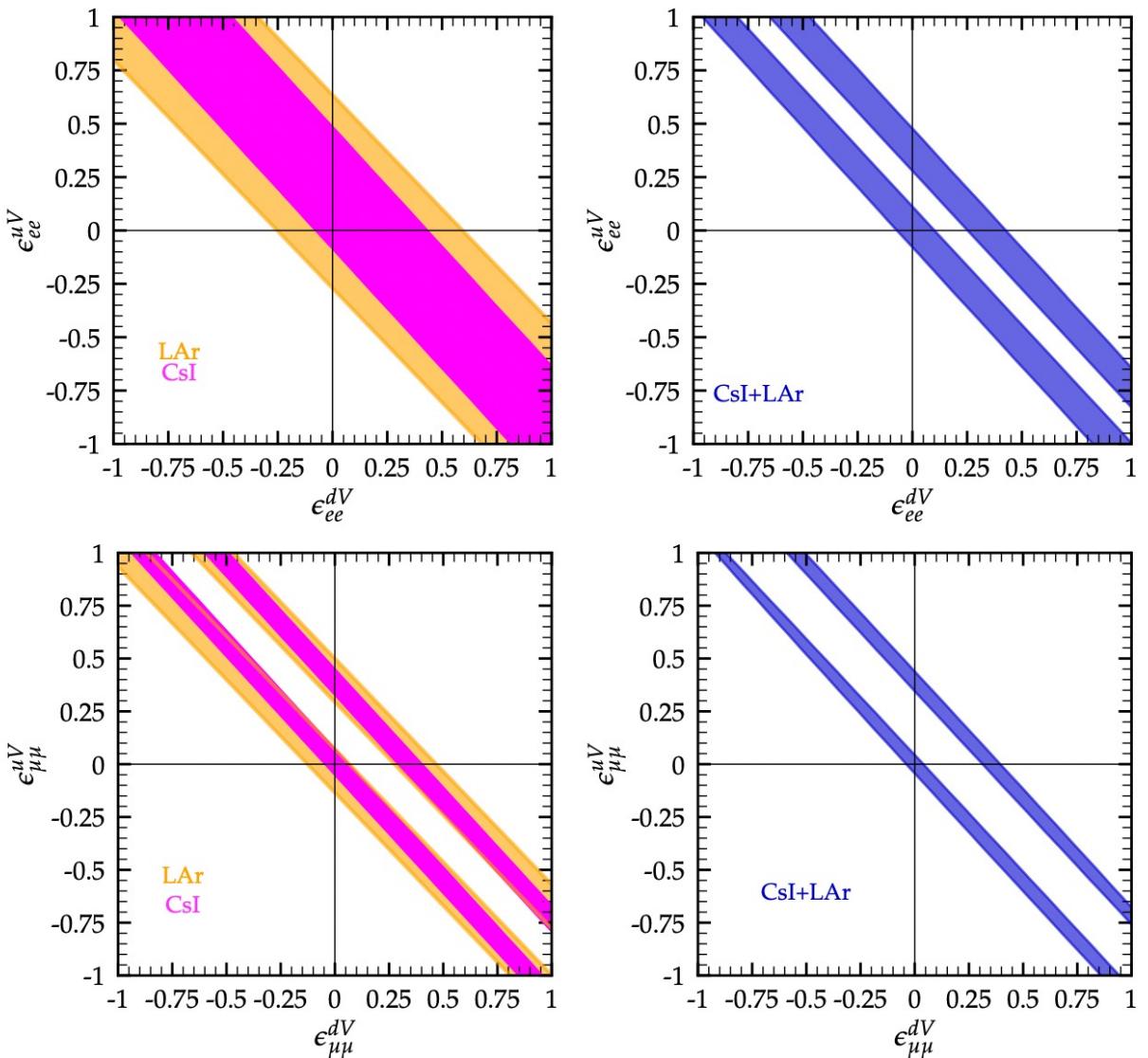
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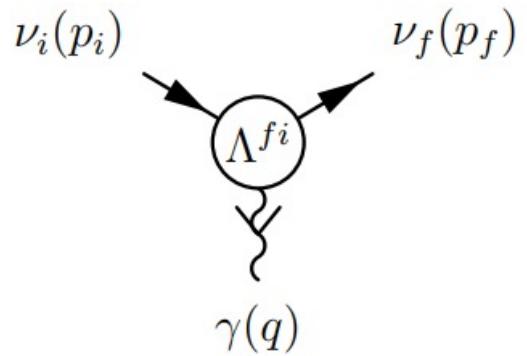


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II) Electromagnetic properties of neutrinos

When massive neutrinos are considered, they can couple to photons at a loop level.

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{em}}^{(\nu)}(x) = j_\mu^{(\nu)}(x) A^\mu(x) = \sum_{k,j=1}^N \bar{\nu}_k(x) \Lambda_\mu^{kj} \nu_j(x) A^\mu(x)$$



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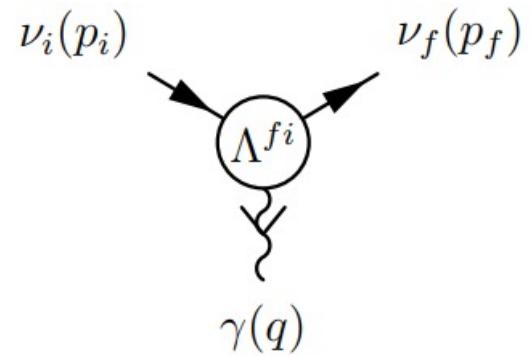
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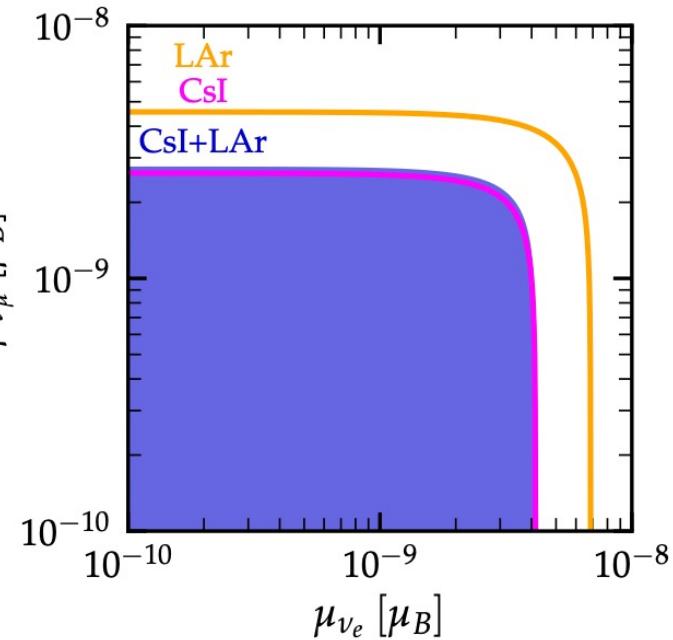
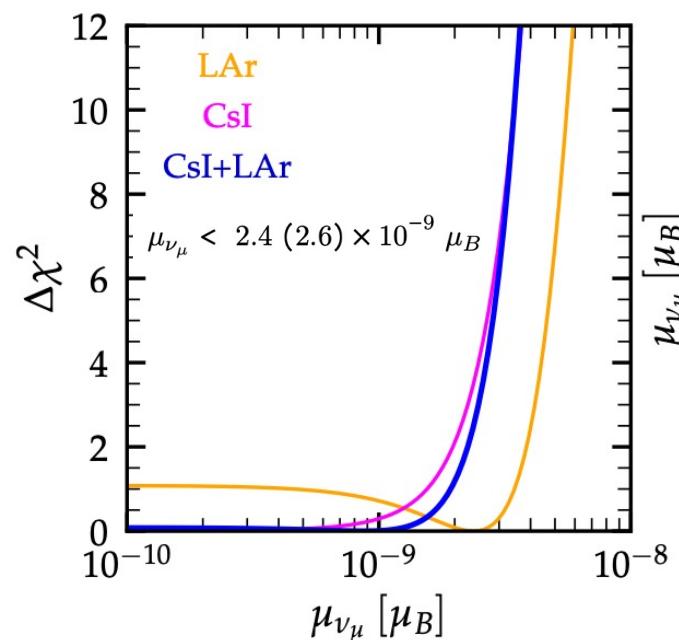
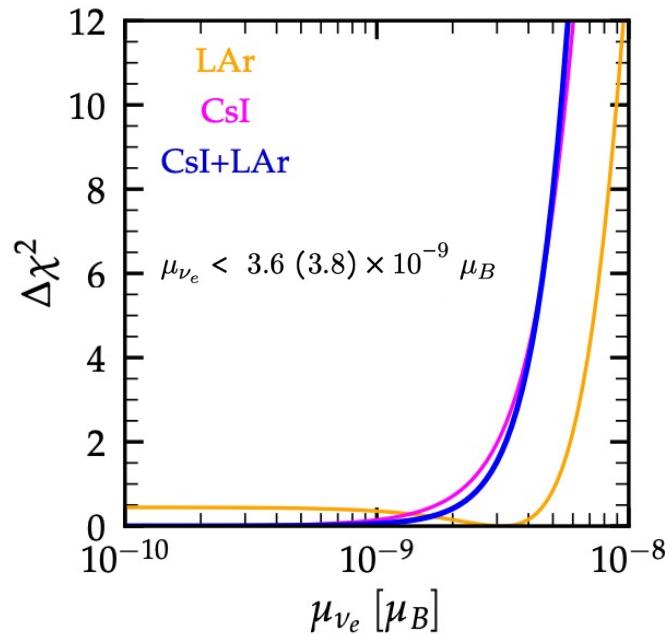
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III) Leptoquark models

Hypothetical particles that simultaneously couple to leptons and quarks

Leptoquarks can be of either scalar or vector nature

Scalar		
LQ	Operator	$(SU(3)_c, SU(2)_L, U(1)_Y)$
S_1	QLS_1	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, 1/3)$
R_2	$u_R L R_2$	$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, 7/6)$
\tilde{R}_2	$d_R L \tilde{R}_2$	$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, 1/6)$
S_3	QLS_3	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{3}, 1/3)$

A concrete LQ scenario: S_1

$$\mathcal{L} \subset \lambda_{ij} \bar{Q}_i^c i\tau_2 L_j S_1 + \text{h.c.} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathcal{L} \subset (\lambda_{1j} \bar{u}^c P_L \ell_j - \lambda_{1j} \bar{d}^c P_L \nu_j) S_1^{-1/3} + \text{h.c.},$$

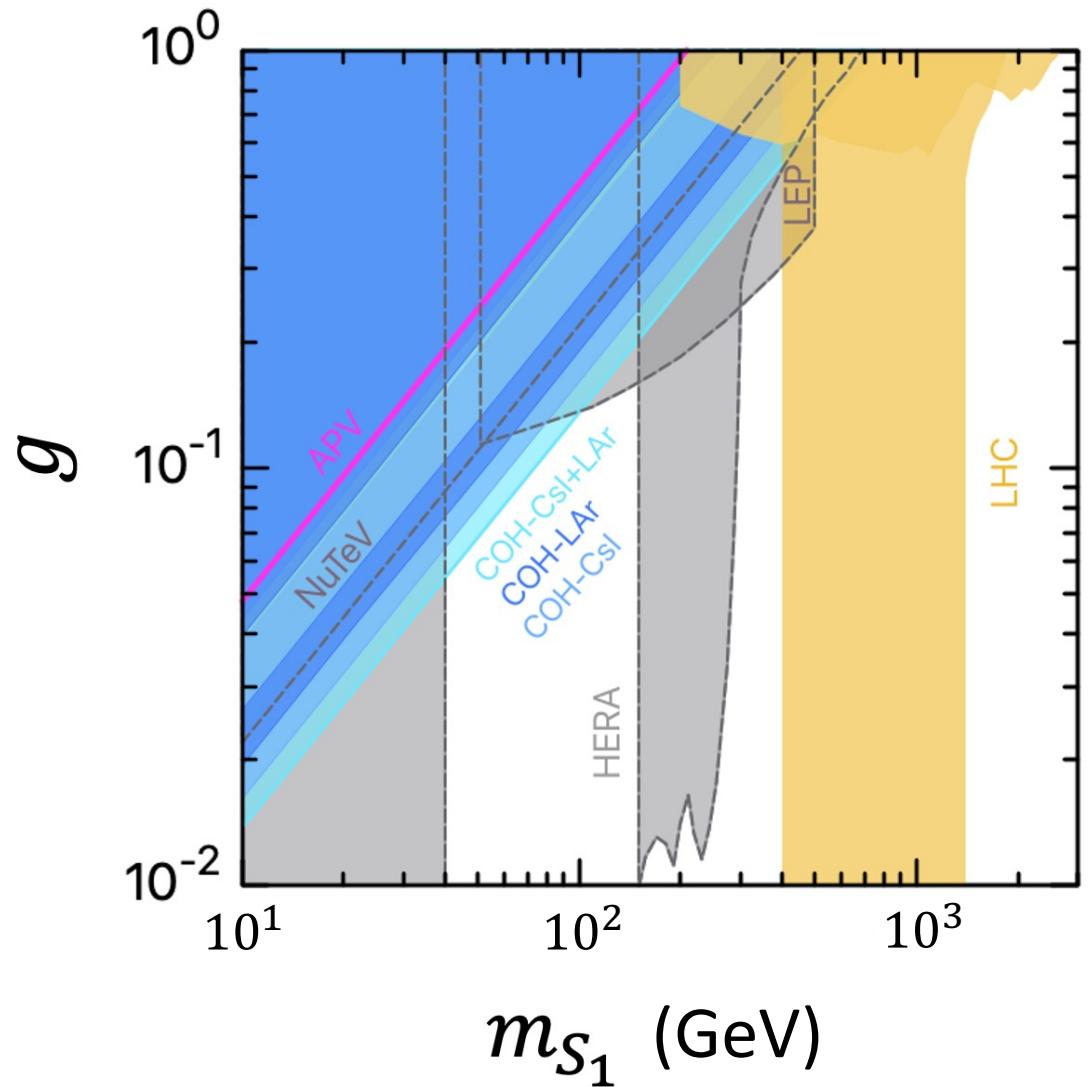
$$\lambda_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} g & g & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

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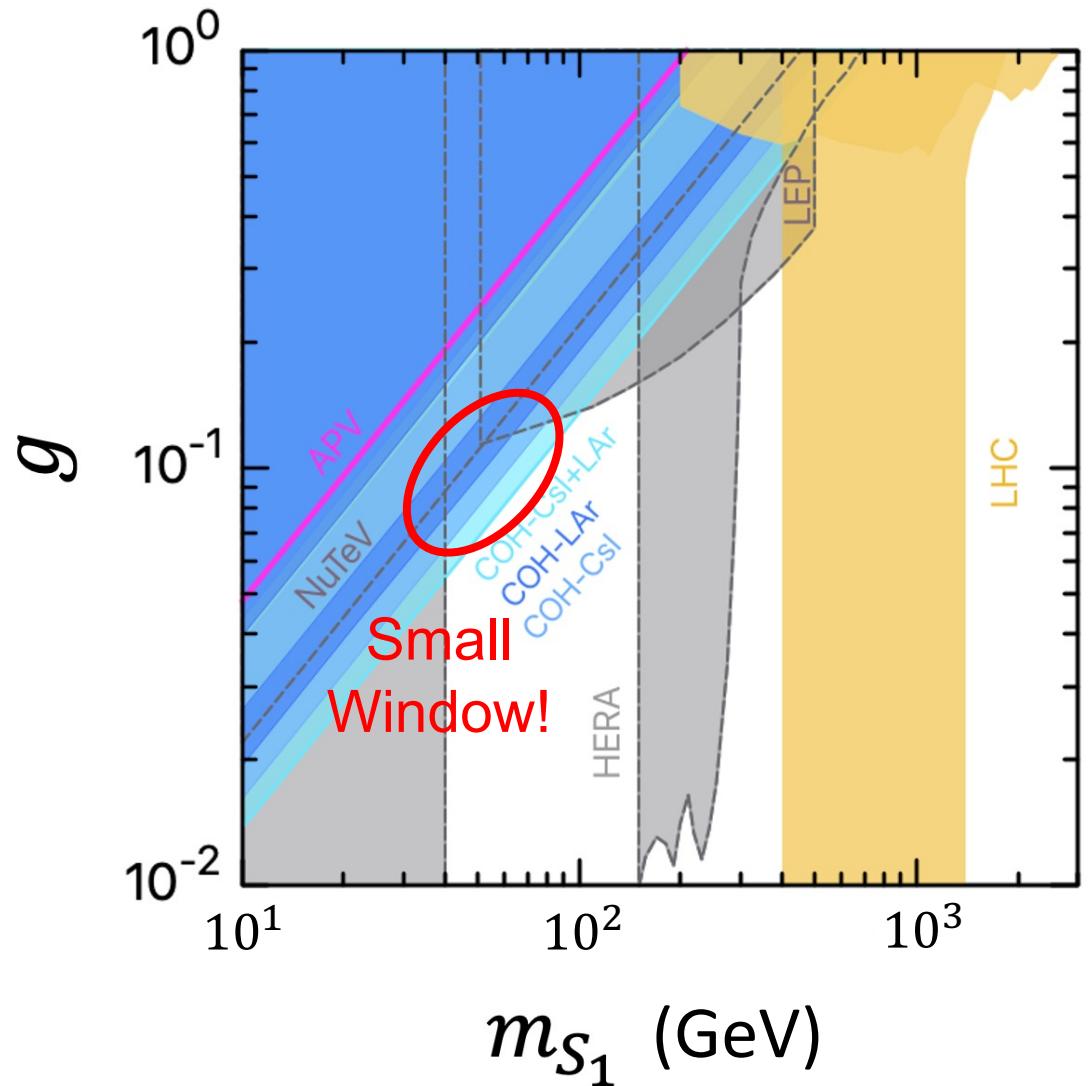
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The future of CEvNS

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Future upgrades for the SNS with NaI and Ge detectors.



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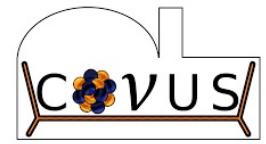


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CEvNS using **reactor neutrinos** as a source?

Reactor neutrinos are not sensitive to nuclear information.



Conclusions

- ✓ CEvNS provides a powerful tool to test different new physics scenarios.
- ✓ Degeneracies can be broken by using different target materials.
- ✓ Sensitivities can improve with better understanding of systematic uncertainties.
- ✓ Better bounds are expected with future experiments.

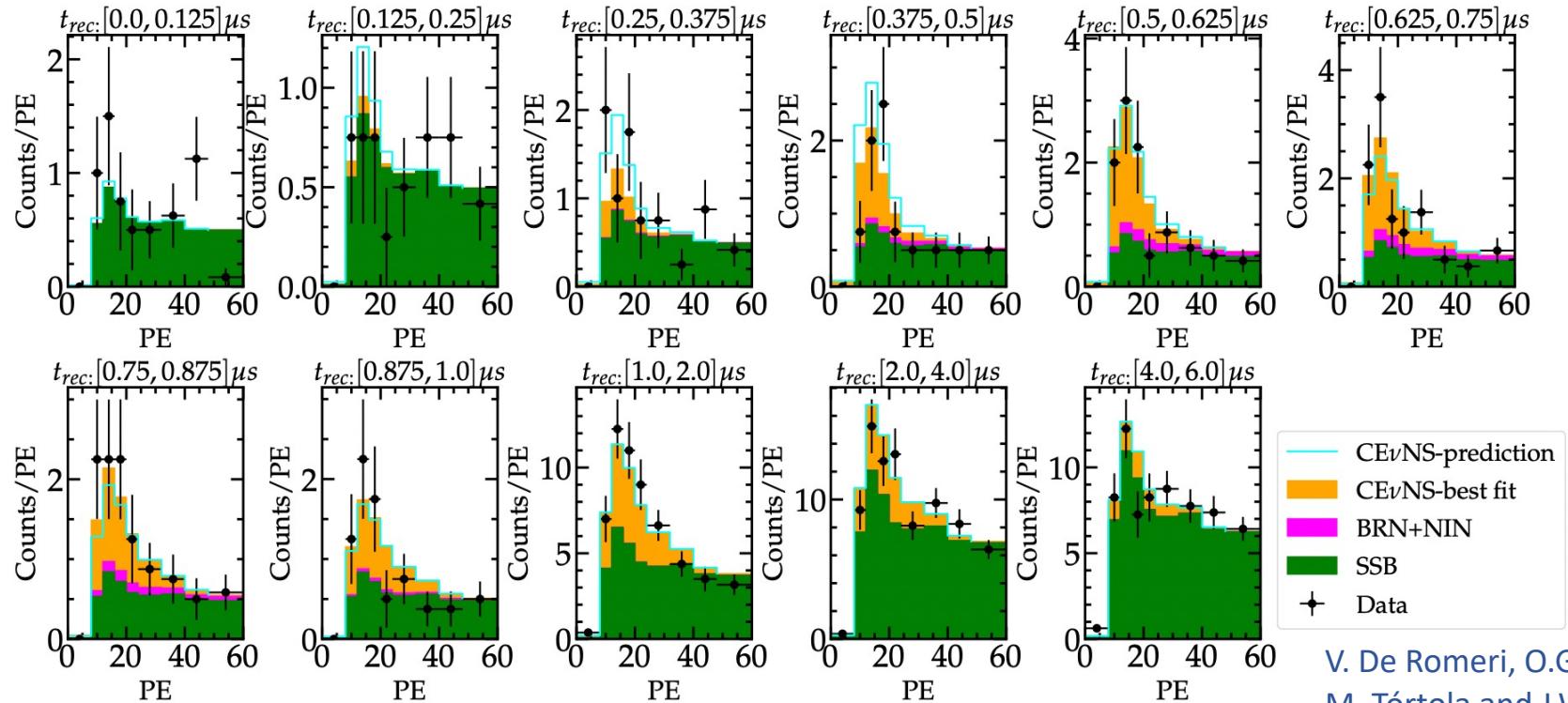
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Backup

Predicted number of events

Nuclear recoil distribution

$$N_{i,n}^{\text{CE}\nu\text{NS},\mathcal{N}} = N_{\text{target}} \int_{E_{\text{nr}}^i}^{E_{\text{nr}}^{i+1}} dE_{\text{nr}} \epsilon_E(E_{\text{nr}}) \int_0^{E_{\text{nr}}^{\text{max}}} dE'_{\text{nr}} P(E_{\text{nr}}, E'_{\text{nr}}) \times \\ \int_{E_{\nu}^{\min}(E'_{\text{nr}})}^{E_{\nu}^{\max}} dE_{\nu} \frac{dN_n}{dE_{\nu}}(E_{\nu}) \frac{d\sigma_{\nu\ell\mathcal{N}}}{dE'_{\text{nr}}} \Big|_{\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}}(E_{\nu}, E'_{\text{nr}}),$$



Timing distribution

$$N_{ij}^{\text{CE}\nu\text{NS},\mathcal{N}} = \sum_{n=\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \bar{\nu}_\mu} \int_{t_{\text{rec}}^j}^{t_{\text{rec}}^{j+1}} dt_{\text{rec}} f_T^n(t_{\text{rec}}, \alpha_6) \epsilon_T(t_{\text{rec}}) N_{i,n}^{\text{CE}\nu\text{NS},\mathcal{N}}.$$

- CEvNS-prediction
- CEvNS-best fit
- BRN+NIN
- SSB
- Data

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Statistical Analysis

$$\chi^2_{\text{CsI}} \Big|_{\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}(\text{+ES})} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^9 \sum_{j=1}^{11} \left[N_{\text{th}}^{\text{CsI}} - N_{ij}^{\text{exp}} + N_{ij}^{\text{exp}} \ln \left(\frac{N_{ij}^{\text{exp}}}{N_{\text{th}}^{\text{CsI}}} \right) \right] + \sum_{k=0}^4 \left(\frac{\alpha_k}{\sigma_k} \right)^2$$

$$N_{\text{th}}^{\text{CsI, CE}\nu\text{NS+ES}} = (1 + \alpha_0 + \alpha_5) N_{ij}^{\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}}(\alpha_4, \alpha_6, \alpha_7) + (1 + \alpha_0) N_{ij}^{\text{ES}}(\alpha_6, \alpha_7) \\ + (1 + \alpha_1) N_{ij}^{\text{BRN}}(\alpha_6) + (1 + \alpha_2) N_{ij}^{\text{NIN}}(\alpha_6) + (1 + \alpha_3) N_{ij}^{\text{SSB}}.$$

Nuisance	Source
α_0	Flux + QF
α_1	BRN
α_2	NIN
α_3	SSB
α_4	RMS radius
α_6	Efficiency
α_7	Timing

All sources of systematics are included

Can we remove these degeneracies?

There is a proposal to measure CEvNS at the European Spallation Source (ESS).

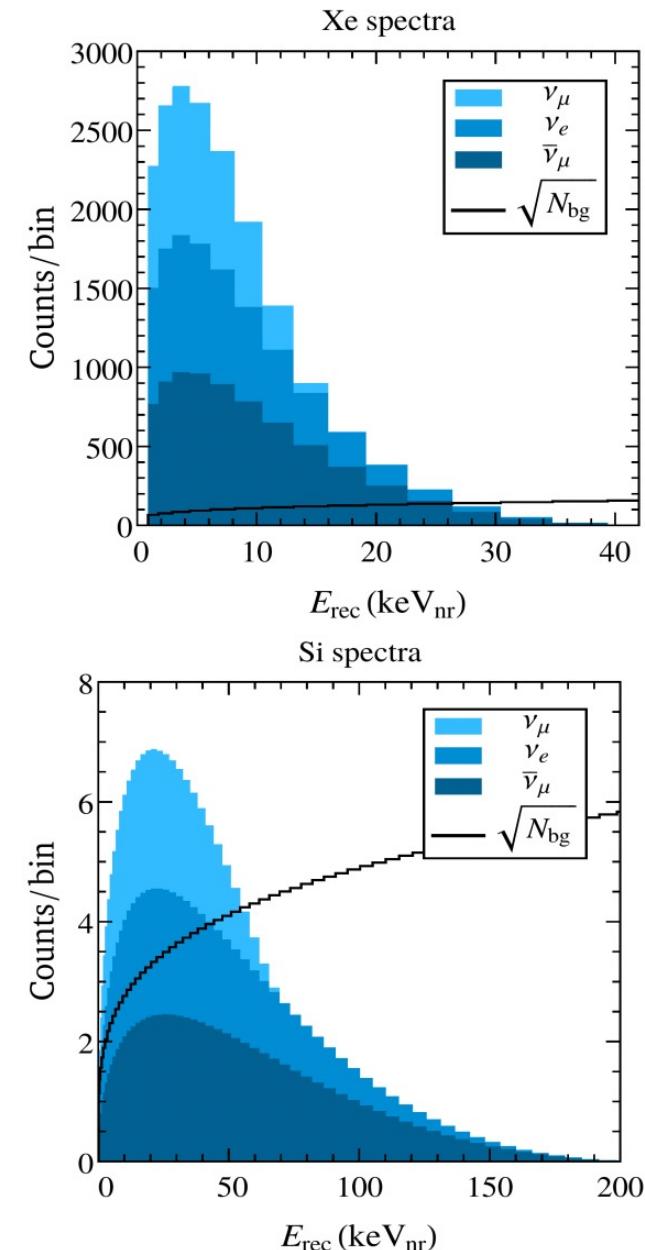
Expected to be the most intense pulsed neutron source.

Advantage: Larger neutrino flux

Disadvantage: Larger SSB backgrounds expected

The proposal includes different detection technologies:
CsI, Xe, Ge, Si, Ar.

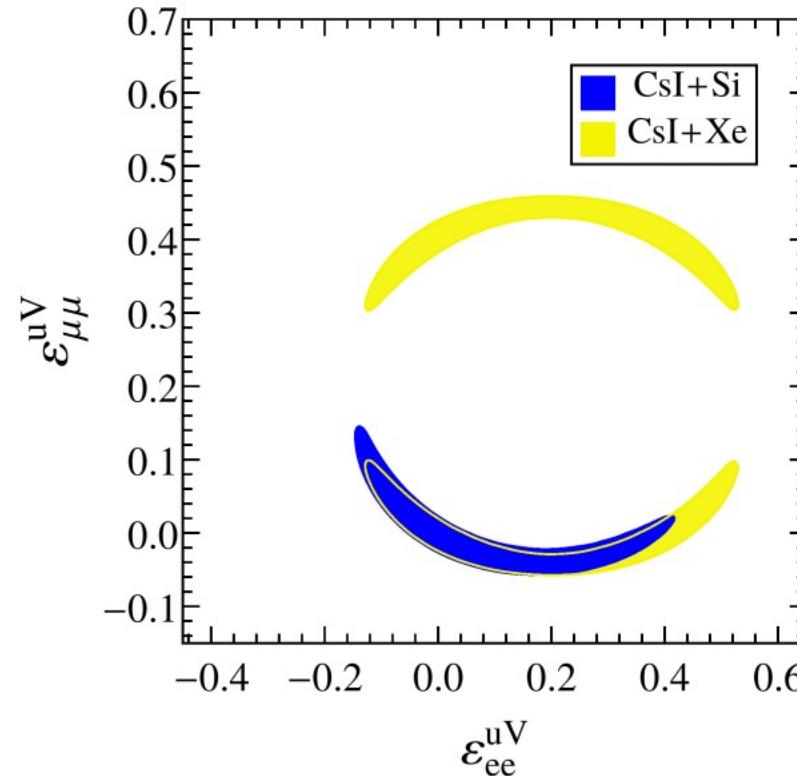
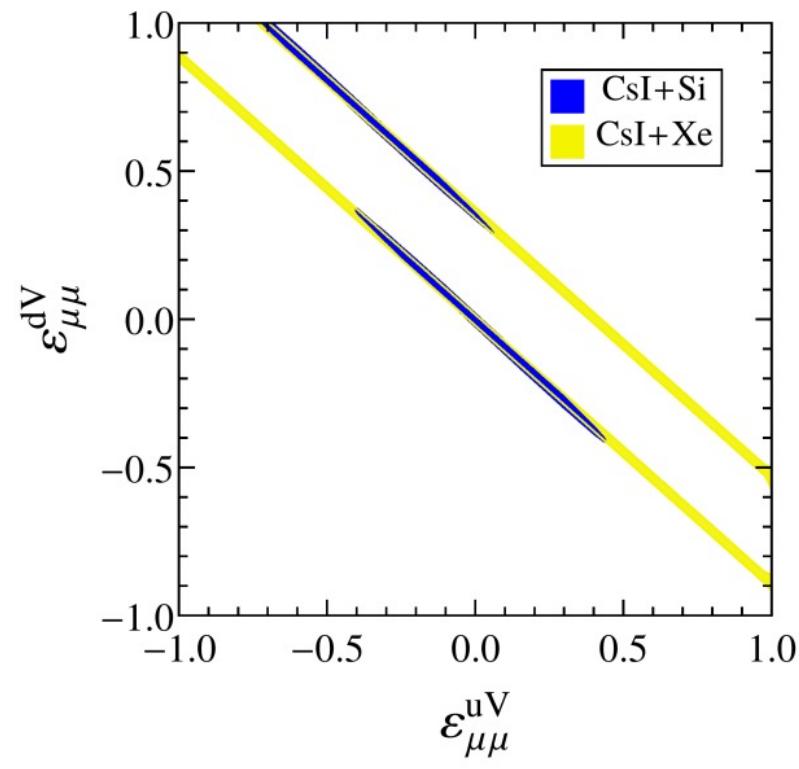
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Both larger statistics and different detection technologies can contribute to break degeneracies



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Summary

Many different scenarios can be tested with CEvNS data

Scenario	SM	weak mixing angle ($\sin^2 \theta_W$)	nuclear neutron radius (R_n)	MM _{active} ($\mu_{\nu_e}, \mu_{\nu_\mu}$)
CsI	83.2 (0.849)	82.8 (0.854)	81.9 (0.845)	83.2 (0.867)
LAr	106.5 (0.887)	105.5 (0.887)	105.5 (0.887)	105.4 (0.893)
CsI+LAr	189.7 (0.870)	189.7 (0.874)	—	189.6 (0.877)
Scenario	NSI NU ($\epsilon_{ee}^{dV}, \epsilon_{ee}^{uV}$)	NSI NU ($\epsilon_{\mu\mu}^{dV}, \epsilon_{\mu\mu}^{uV}$)	NSI NU ($\epsilon_{ee}^{dV}, \epsilon_{\mu\mu}^{dV}$)	NSI NU ($\epsilon_{ee}^{uV}, \epsilon_{\mu\mu}^{uV}$)
CsI	82.9 (0.863)	82.9 (0.863)	82.8 (0.863)	82.8 (0.863)
LAr	105.7 (0.896)	105.6 (0.895)	105.5 (0.894)	105.5 (0.894)
CsI+LAr	188.9 (0.874)	188.5 (0.873)	188.9 (0.875)	188.5 (0.872)
Scenario	NSI FC ($\epsilon_{ee}^{dV}, \epsilon_{e\mu}^{dV}$)	NSI FC ($\epsilon_{\mu\mu}^{uV}, \epsilon_{e\mu}^{uV}$)	NSI FC ($\epsilon_{ee}^{dV}, \epsilon_{e\tau}^{dV}$)	NSI FC ($\epsilon_{\mu\mu}^{dV}, \epsilon_{\mu\tau}^{dV}$)
CsI	82.9 (0.863)	82.9 (0.863)	82.9 (0.863)	82.9 (0.863)
LAr	105.5 (0.894)	105.5 (0.894)	105.7 (0.896)	105.6 (0.895)
CsI+LAr	189.4 (0.877)	189.1 (0.876)	189.4 (0.877)	189.1 (0.876)
Scenario	NGI (V) (C_V^q)	NGI (S) (C_S^q)	NGI (T) (C_T^q)	
CsI	82.8 (0.854)	83.2 (0.858)	83.2 (0.858)	—
LAr	105.5 (0.887)	103.2 (0.867)	104.6 (0.879)	—
CsI+LAr	188.6 (0.869)	189.7 (0.874)	189.7 (0.874)	—

Scenario	NGI (V) (C_V^q)	NGI (S) (C_S^q)	NGI (T) (C_T^q)	
CsI	82.8 (0.854)	83.2 (0.858)	83.2 (0.858)	—
LAr	105.5 (0.887)	103.2 (0.867)	104.6 (0.879)	—
CsI+LAr	188.6 (0.869)	189.7 (0.874)	189.7 (0.874)	—
Scenario	NGI (V-T) (C_V^q, C_T^q)	NGI (V-S) (C_V^q, C_S^q)	NGI (S-T) (C_S^q, C_T^q)	
CsI	82.8 (0.863)	82.9 (0.863)	83.2 (0.867)	—
LAr	103.3 (0.875)	102.6 (0.870)	103.2 (0.874)	—
CsI+LAr	188.6 (0.873)	188.6 (0.873)	189.7 (0.878)	—
Scenario	LV universal (m_V, g_V)	LV B-L (m_V, g_V)	LS (m_S, g_S)	LT (m_T, g_T)
CsI	81.4 (0.848)	83.2 (0.867)	83.2 (0.867)	83.2 (0.867)
LAr	105.6 (0.895)	105.5 (0.894)	102.9 (0.872)	104.6 (0.887)
CsI+LAr	187.8 (0.869)	189.6 (0.878)	189.4 (0.877)	189.5 (0.877)
Scenario	millicharge ($q_{\nu_{ee}}, q_{\nu_{\mu\mu}}$)	charge radius ($\langle r_{\nu_{ee}}^2 \rangle, \langle r_{\nu_{\mu\mu}}^2 \rangle$)	TMM _{sterile} (m_4, μ_{ν_μ}) ^a	Sterile Osc. ($\sin^2 2\theta_{24}, \Delta m_{42}^2$)
CsI	83.2 (0.867)	82.8 (0.863)	83.2 (0.867)	82.1 (0.855)
LAr	106.4 (0.902)	105.5 (0.894)	105.1 (0.891)	106.5 (0.902)
CsI+LAr	189.7 (0.878)	188.4 (0.872)	189.5 (0.877)	188.6 (0.881)

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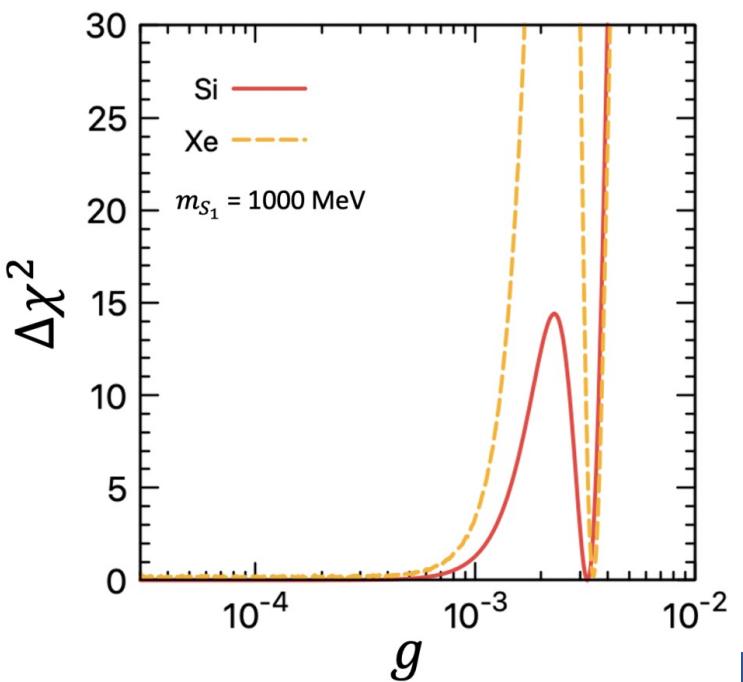
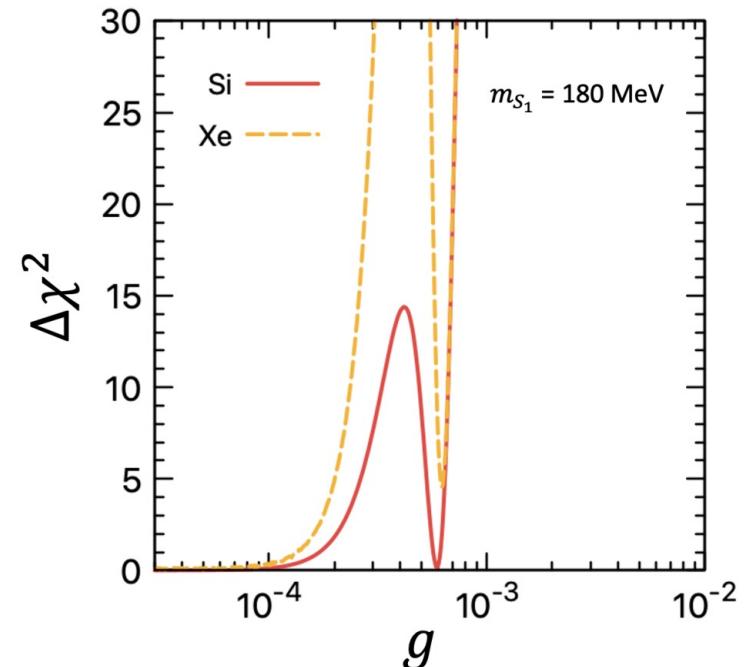
The allowed band can be explained when the mass of the LQ is large.

Indeed, we can reproduce the SM cross section when

$$(Q_W^{\text{SM}} + Q_{ii,\text{LQ}})^2 + Q_{ii,\text{LQ}}^2 = (Q_W^{\text{SM}})^2,$$

This condition is satisfied for

$$g^2 = \frac{4\sqrt{2}G_F (g_V^p Z + g_V^n N) (2m_N E_{\text{nr}} + m_{\text{LQ}}^2)}{\mathcal{C}_1 Z + \mathcal{C}_2 N}$$



The future of CEvNS

Future upgrades for the SNS with NaI and Ge detectors.

Other proposals with pion-decay at rest sources:
ESS and Coherent Captain Mills

CEvNS using reactor neutrinos as a source?

Reactor neutrinos are not sensitive to nuclear information.

