

Dark Matter and NA64 experiment

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We know that dark matter exists and it is cold (nonrelativistic) or warm

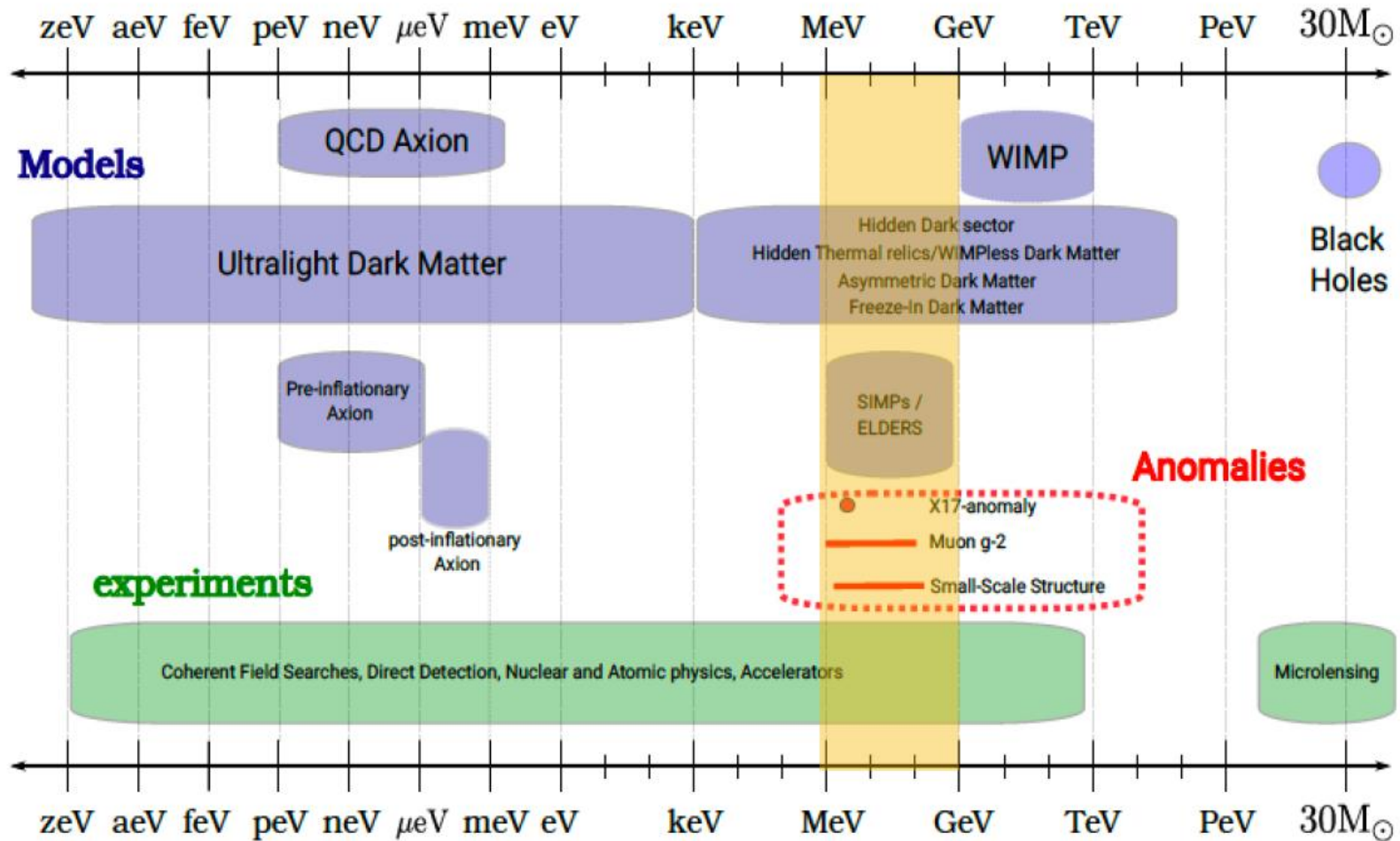
But we don't know:

1. Spin of dark matter particles
2. Mass of dark matter particles

In SUSY with R-parity LSP is gaugino with $s = \frac{1}{2}$ and $m = O(100 \text{ GeV})$ as a rule

Dark matter mass range

From E. Depero, PhD thesis 2020 (ETH Zürich)



WIMP

The most popular mass interval from LHC point of view between $O(1)$ GeV and $O(1)$ TeV \rightarrow WIMP = weakly interacting massive particles

Also mass interval between $O(1)$ MeV and $O(1)$ GeV is popular for fixed target experiments like NA64, BELLE, SHIP, ...

So called light dark matter

Typical models

At LHC bounds depend on particular model. There are a lot of models.

Simplified models:

A. Models with vector mediator

B. Models with scalar mediator

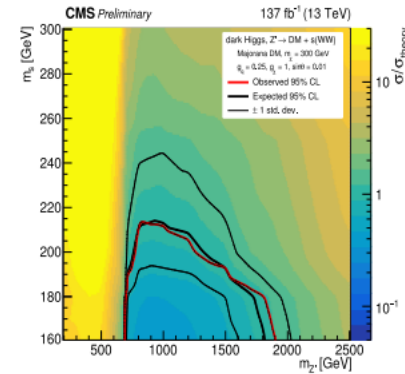
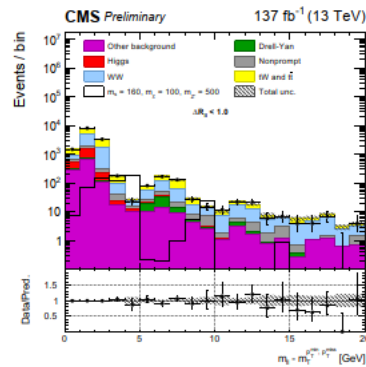
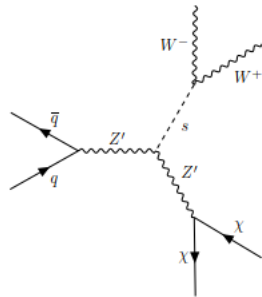
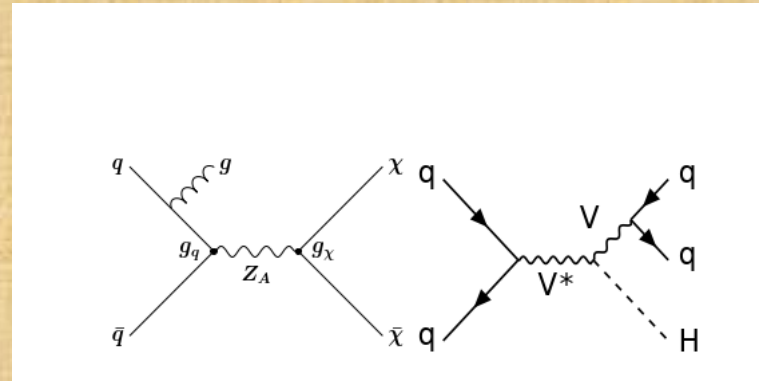
Dark Matter: scalar, fermion, Majorana, vector
Spin 1.

At LHC(CMS and ATLAS)

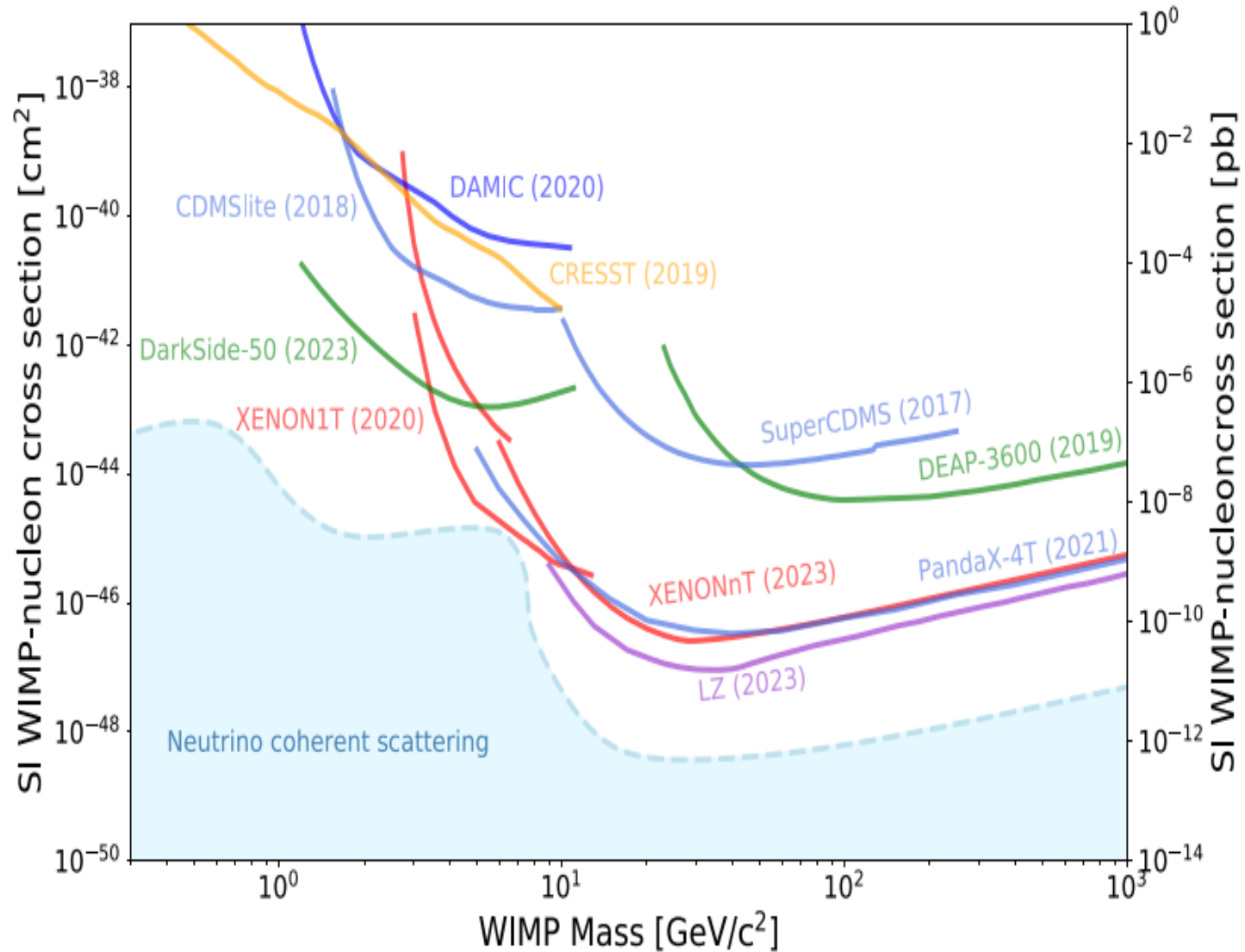
Use the reaction

proton + proton \rightarrow jet(s) =
(DM DM \rightarrow missing energy)

So the signature – hadron jet(s) +
missing energy

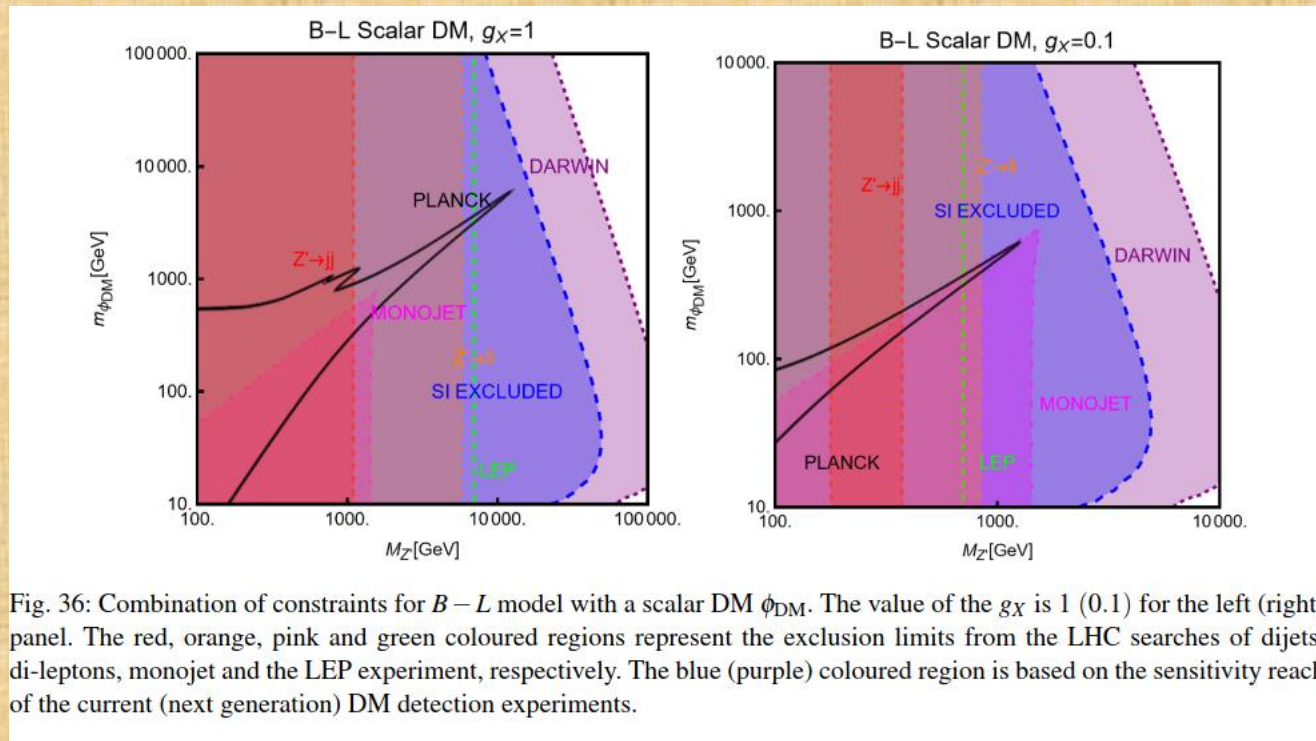


Elastic DM nucleon cross sections bounds . Bounds from underground experiments. Particle data

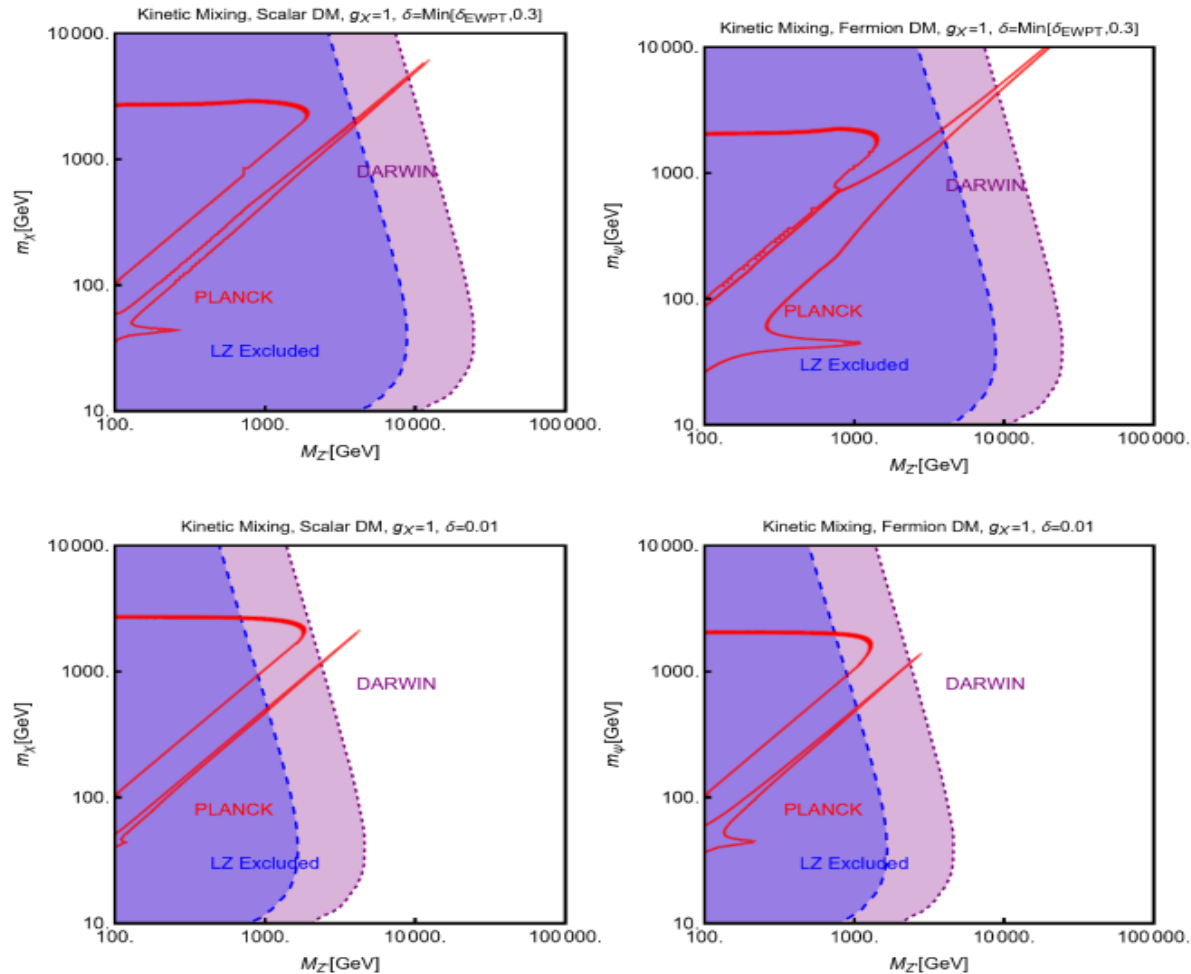


Implications from underground and
accelerator experiments for different
DM models are contained in recent review:
M.Lindner et al., arXiv:2403.15860
A lot of models at the level of exclusion

In many cases very strong constraints (for instance B-L model with additional vector bozon



Nonzero kinetic mixing



Three most popular light dark models

1. Scalar dark matter
2. Majorana dark matter
3. Pseudo Dirac dark matter

The main assumption – in the early Universe dark matter is in equilibrium with observable matter. At some temperature dark matter decouples.

Observable dark matter density allows to predict the annihilation cross section

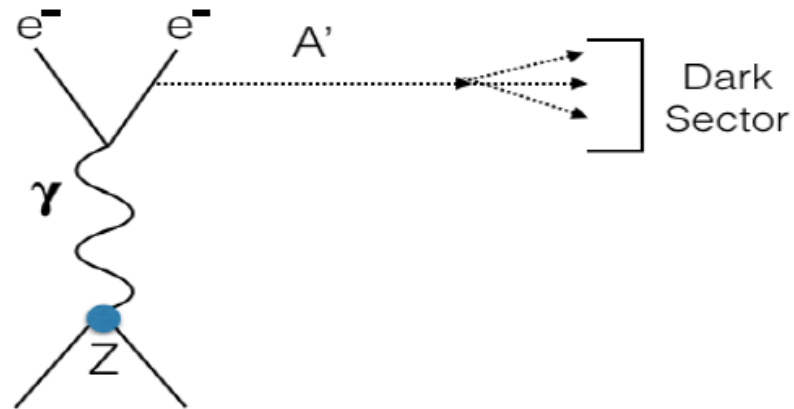
The most popular light dark matter model –
model with additional U(1) gauge field
 A' – dark photon model (Holdom, Okun)
Dark photon connects our world and dark
matter world due to nonzero kinetic mixing
between dark photon and ordinary photon
The Lagrangian is the sum of 3 terms

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If we assume that in the early Universe dark matter is in equilibrium with the SM matter

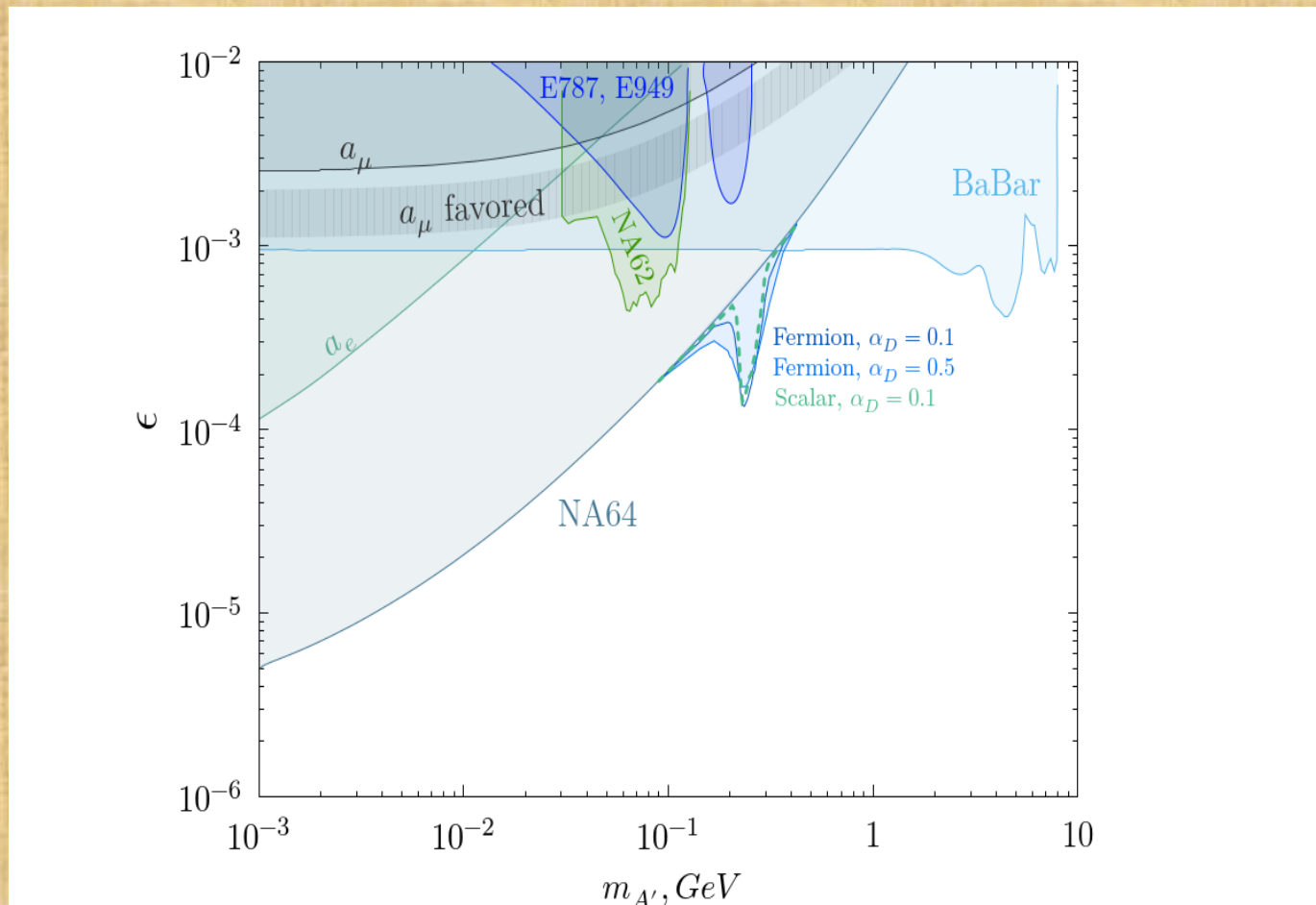
Today DM density tells us about annihilation cross-section. Correct DM density corresponds to $\langle \sigma_{\text{an}} v \rangle \sim 0(1) \text{ pb}$

NA64 Experiment

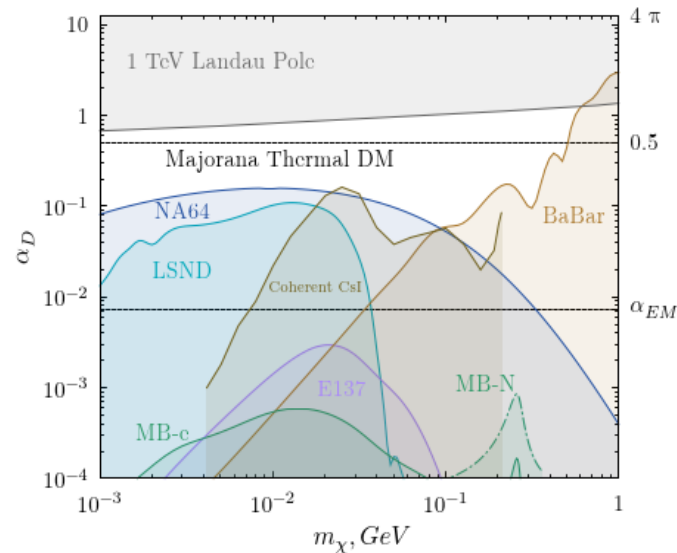
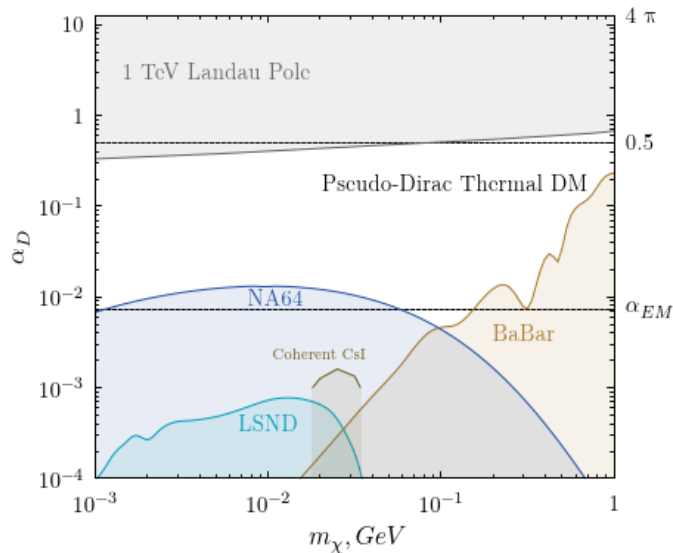
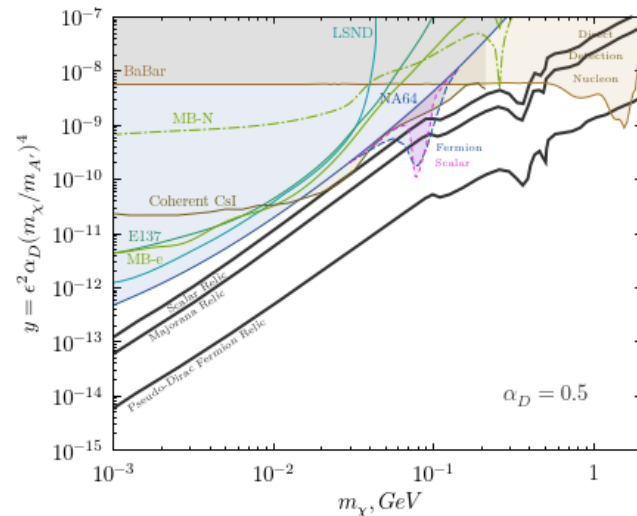
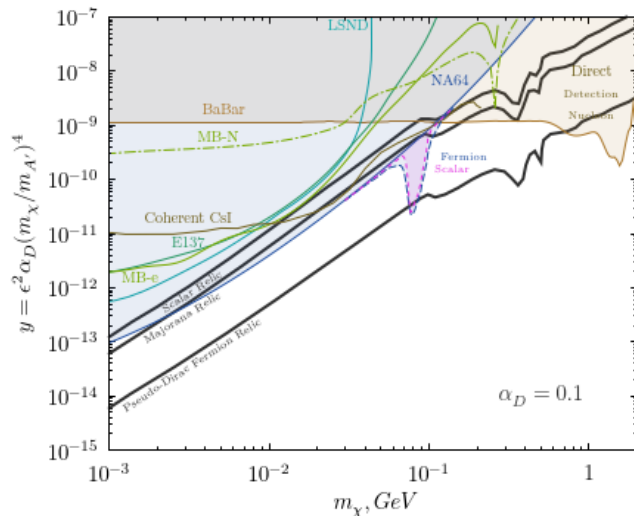


NA64 is a fixed target experiment combining the active beam dump technique with missing energy measurement searching for invisible decays of massive A' produced in the reaction $eZ \rightarrow eZA'$ of electrons scattering off a nuclei (A, Z), with a mixing strength $10^{-5} < \epsilon < 10^{-3}$ and masses $M_{A'} < 100$ MeV.

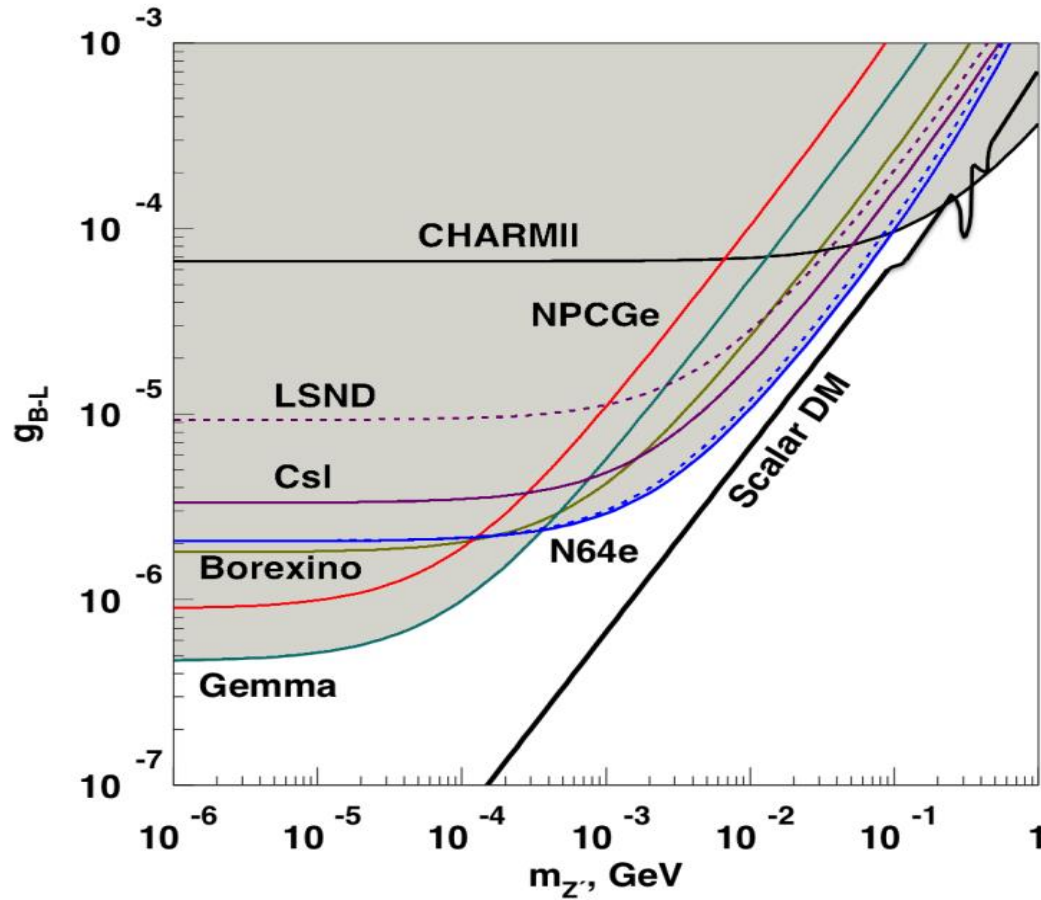
Last NA64 result on ϵ parameter
invisible dark photon decay: $N_{\text{eot}} = 0.937 \cdot 10^{12}$
arXiv:2307.024404, Phys.Rev.Lett.(2023)



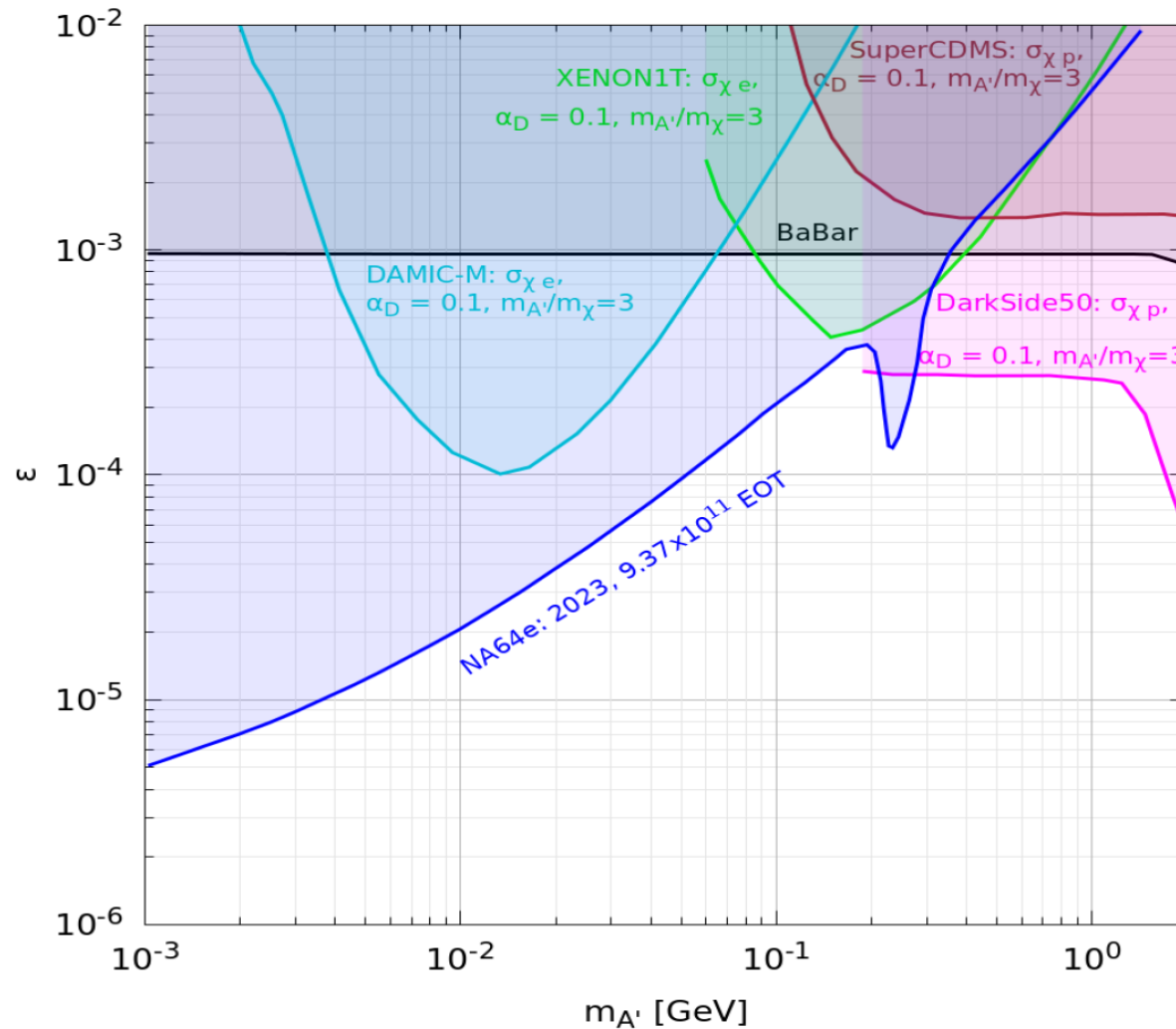
The comparison with different models



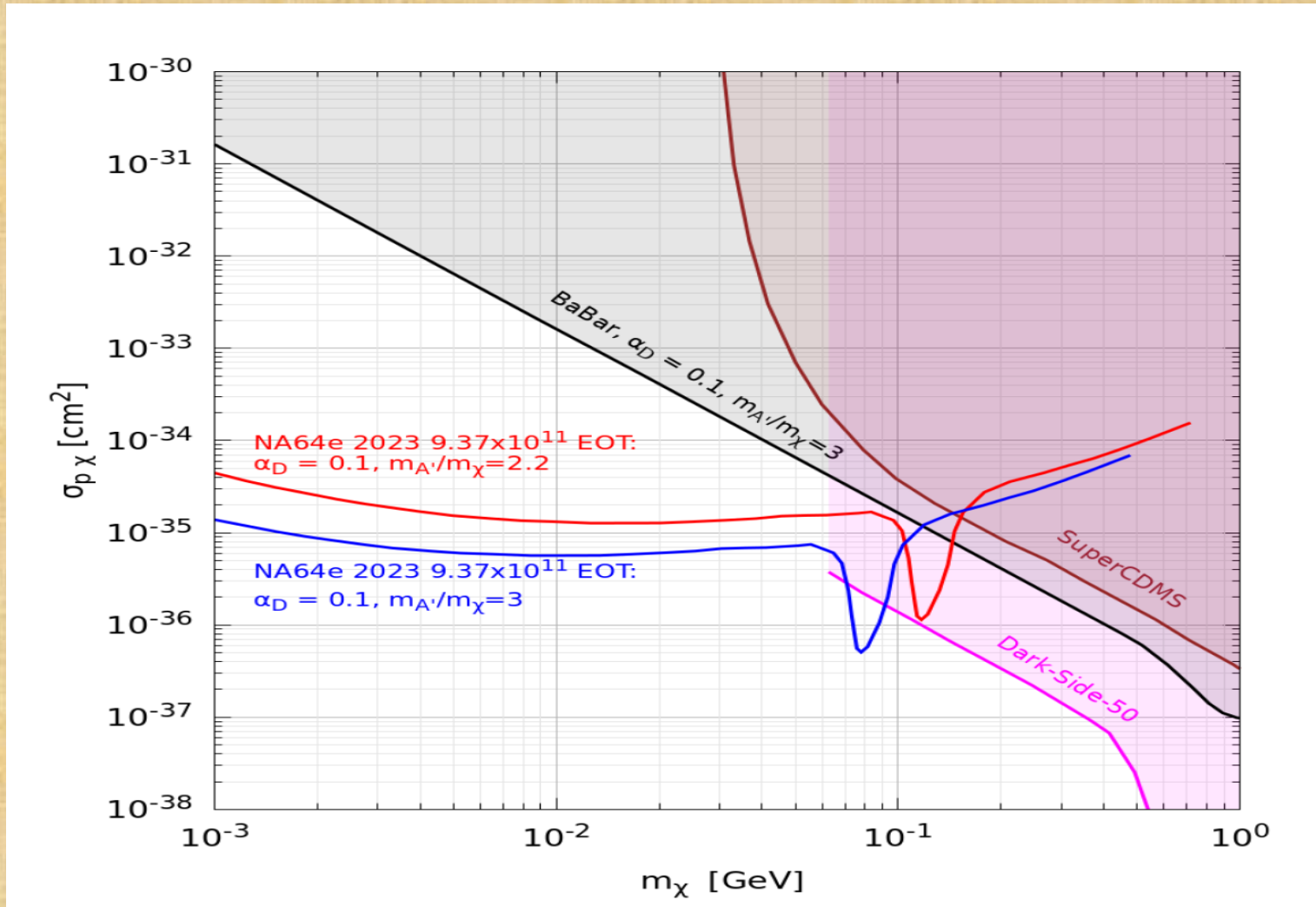
Bound for (B-L) model Phys.Rev.Lett. 129,1618011(2022)



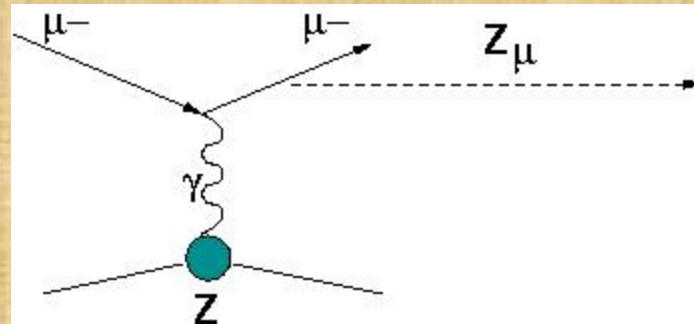
The comparison of NA64 and underground experiments(arXiv:2307.14865) for dark photon model for different ϵ



The comparison for proton DM cross sections

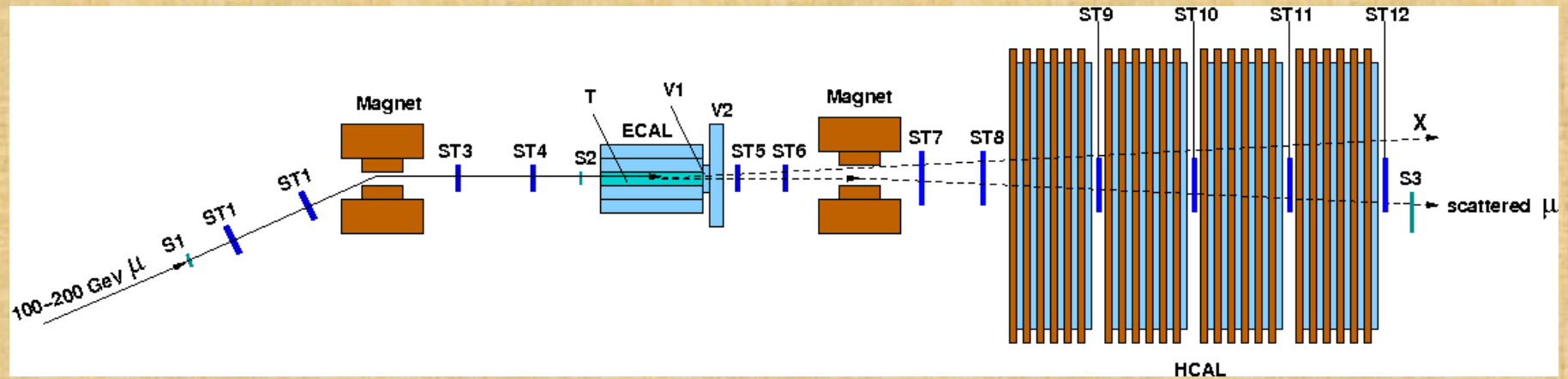


The NA64 experiment at CERN with muon beam

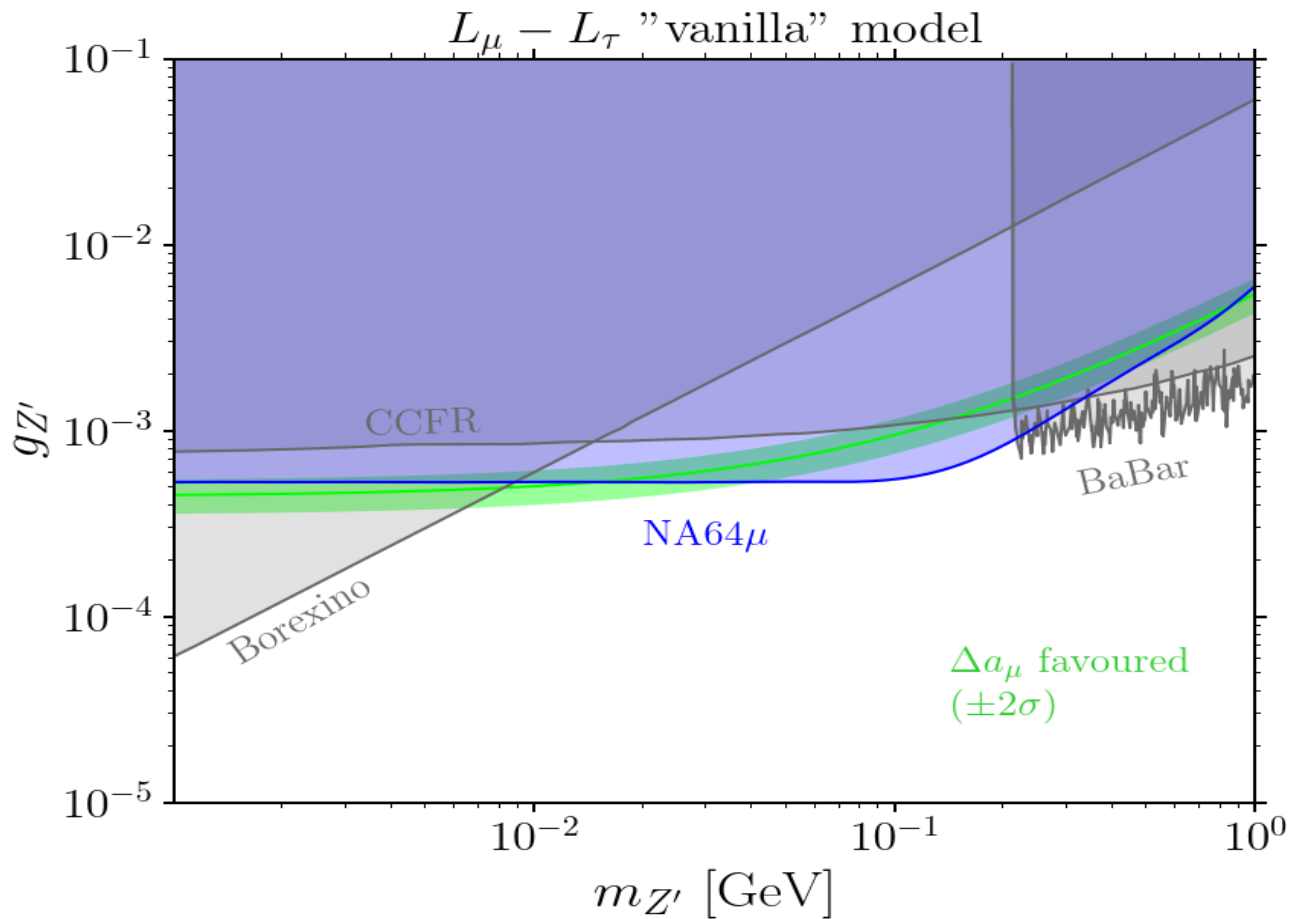


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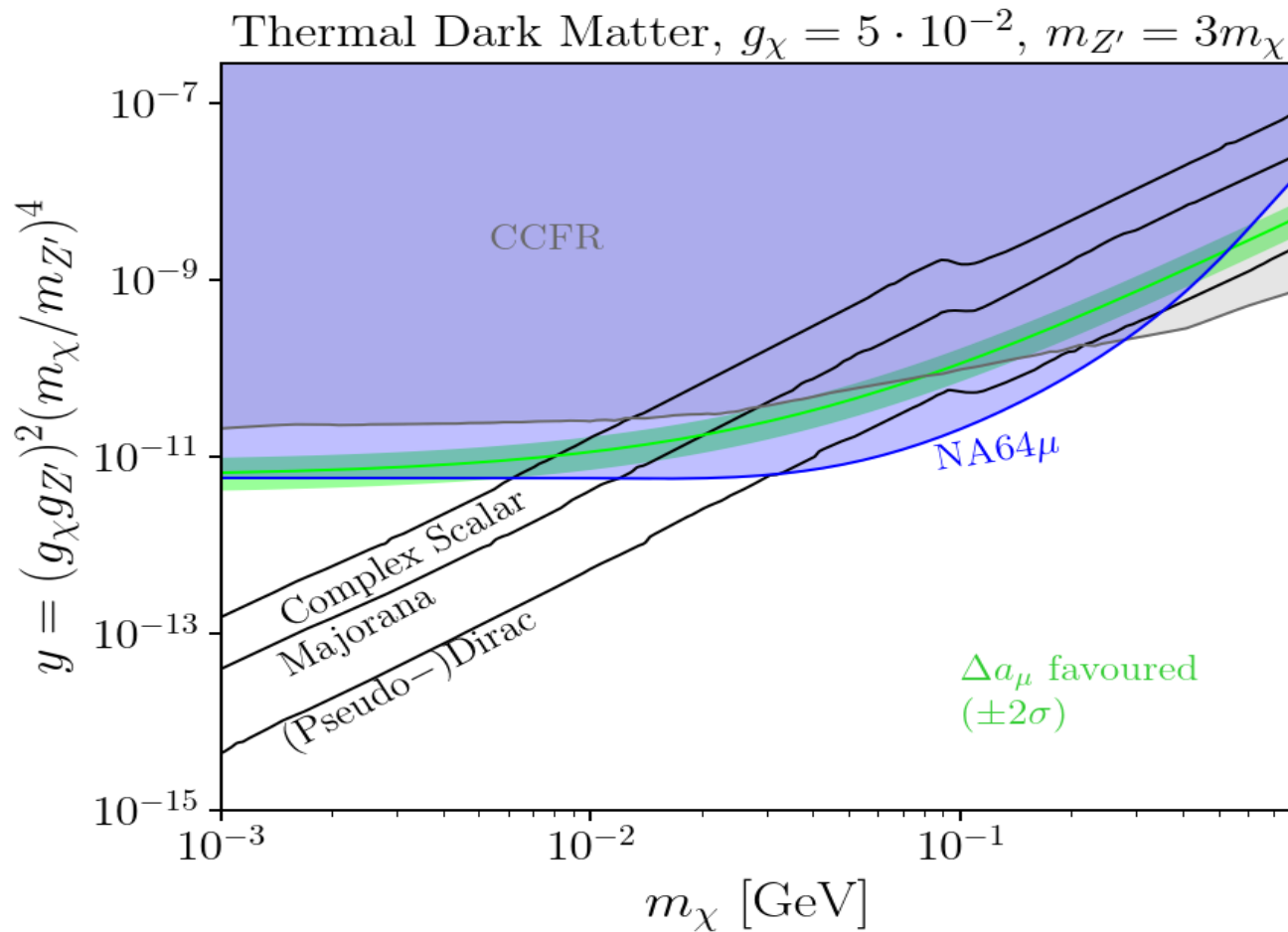
Schematic illustration of the setup to search for dark boson



Last NA64 result Phys.Rev.Let.2024



Last NA64 results



4. Conclusions

0. At present there are rather strong underground and accelerator bounds on dark matter models. However from theoretical point of view it is difficult to choose the most natural and promising model.
1. Light dark matter – good alternative to SUSY and other models (axions, sterile neutrino, ...)
2. Dark photon model is the simplest realization
3. Dark photon model predicts mixing interesting for experimental search
4. NA64 with future statistics $5 \cdot 10^{12}$ EOT will be able to test the most interesting models