

Dark Sectors

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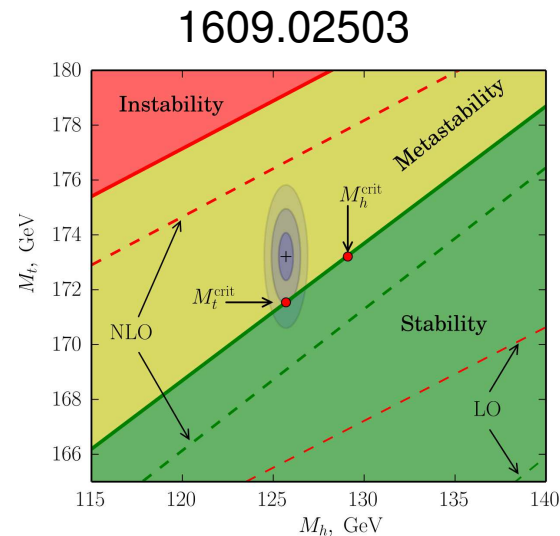
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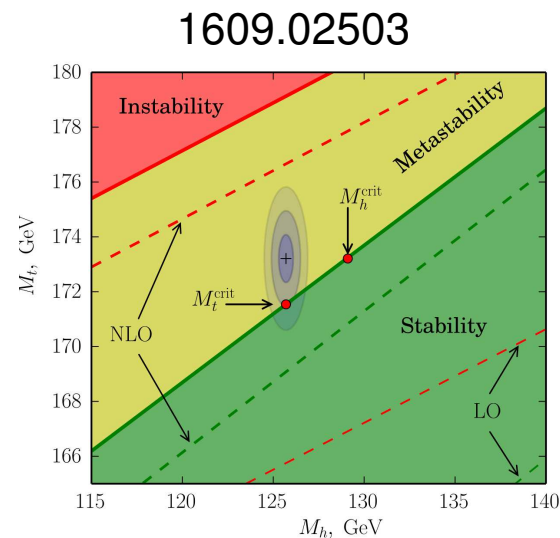
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How to reconcile this with evidence for new physics?

Experimental evidence for new physics beyond the Standard Model:

- Observations of neutrino oscillations (in the SM neutrinos are massless and do not oscillate)
- Evidence for Dark Matter (SM does not have particle physics candidate for DM).
- No antimatter in the Universe in amounts comparable with matter (baryon asymmetry of the Universe is too small in the SM)
- Cosmological inflation is absent in canonical variant of the SM
- Accelerated expansion of the Universe (?) - though can be “explained” by a cosmological constant.

Theoretical prejudice for new physics beyond the Standard Model:

WHY questions

- Cosmological constant problem: Why $\epsilon_{vac}/M_{Pl}^4 \lll 1$?
- Hierarchy problem: Why $M_W/M_{Pl} \ll 1$?
- Stability of the Higgs mass against radiative corrections.
- Strong CP-problem: Why $\theta_{QCD} \ll 1$?
- Fermion mass matrix: Why $m_e \ll m_t$?
- ...

Where is new physics?

Only at the Planck scale?

Does not work: neutrino masses from five-dimensional operator

$$\frac{1}{M_P} A_{\alpha\beta} \left(\bar{L}_\alpha \tilde{\phi} \right) \left(\phi^\dagger L_\beta^c \right)$$

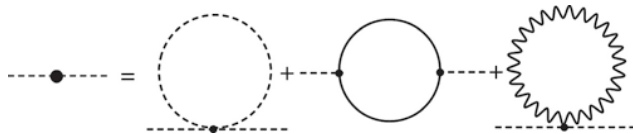
suppressed by the Planck scale are too small, $m_\nu < 10^{-5}$ eV.

Below the Planck scale, but where?

- Neutrino masses and oscillations: the masses of right-handed see-saw neutrinos can vary from $\mathcal{O}(1)$ eV to $\mathcal{O}(10^{15})$ GeV
- Dark matter, absent in the SM: the masses of DM particles can be as small as $\mathcal{O}(10^{-22})$ eV (super-light scalar fields) or as large as $\mathcal{O}(10^{20})$ GeV (wimpzillas, Q-balls).
- Baryogenesis, absent in the SM: the masses of new particles, responsible for baryogenesis (e.g. right-handed neutrinos), can be as small as $\mathcal{O}(10)$ MeV or as large as $\mathcal{O}(10^{15})$ GeV
- Higgs mass hierarchy : models related to SUSY, composite Higgs, large extra dimensions require the presence of new physics **right above the Fermi scale**, whereas the models based on scale invariance (quantum or classical) may require **the absence of new physics between the Fermi and Planck scales**

Arguments for **absence** of new heavy particles **above** the Fermi scale

- Stability of the Higgs mass against radiative corrections

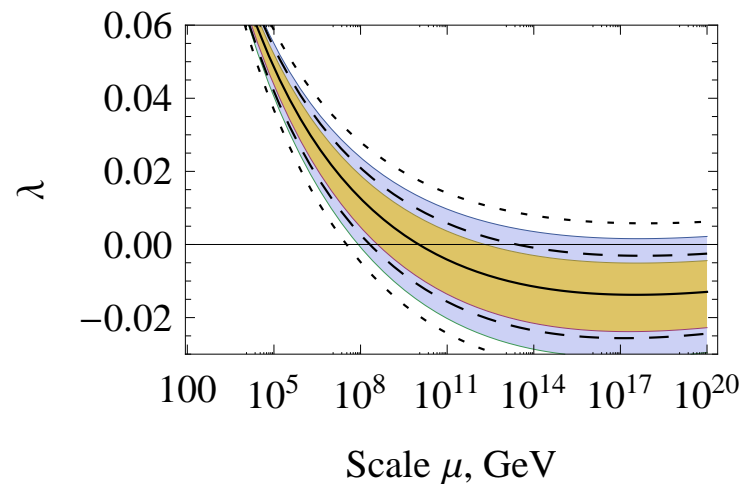


$$\delta m_H^2 \simeq \alpha_{GUT}^n M_{heavy}^2$$

No heavy particles - no large contributions - no fine tuning

- Higgs self coupling $\lambda \approx 0$ at the Planck scale (criticality of the SM - asymptotic safety?). This is violated if new particles contribute to the evolution of the SM couplings.

Higgs mass $M_h = 125.3 \pm 0.6$ GeV



Then all the experimental BSM problems should be explained by light particles: DARK SECTORS!

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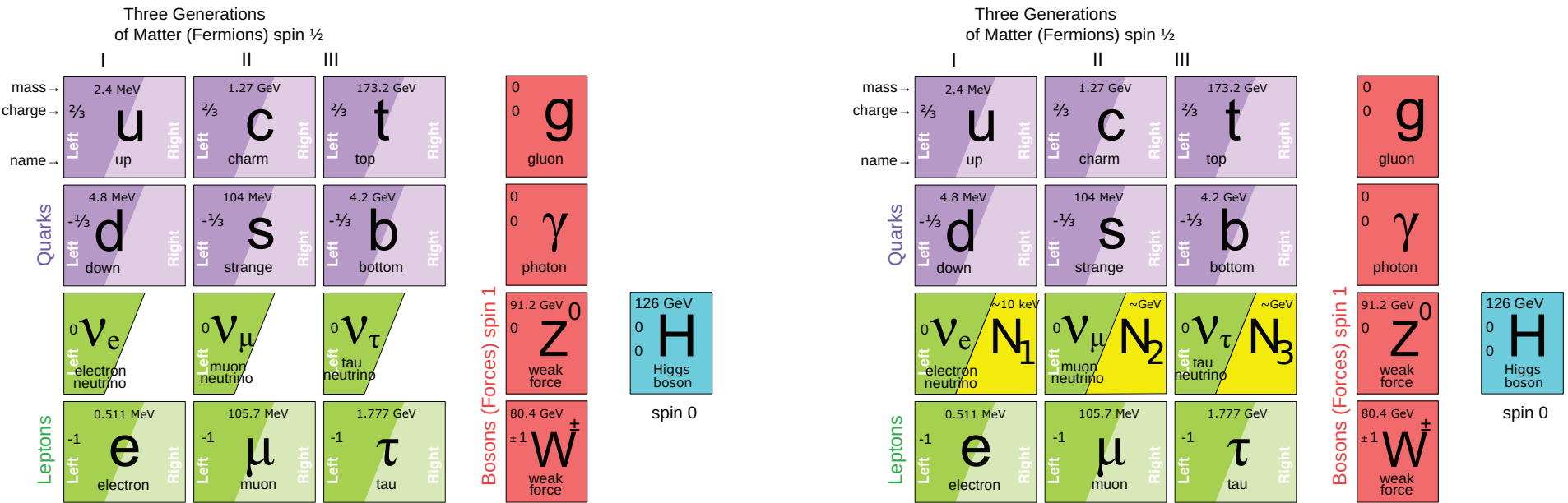
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Possible consequences: Dark sectors – light very weakly interacting particles addressing BSM problems (dark matter, neutrinos, baryon asymmetry of the Universe)

Example of “complete” theory: the ν MSM



ν MSM \equiv Neutrino minimal Standard Model

\equiv Minimal low scale see-saw model with 3 singlet fermions

Role of the Higgs boson: break the symmetry and inflate the Universe

Role of N_1 with mass in keV region: dark matter.

Role of N_2, N_3 with mass in 100 MeV – GeV region: “give” masses to neutrinos and produce baryon asymmetry of the Universe.

HNLs are just an example of **Dark (Hidden) Sector** particles, which appear in models with or without new physics above the Fermi scale. They can couple to SM via different “portals” - gauge-invariant operators:

$B_{\mu\nu}$ - vector portal, dimension 2: dark photon

$H^\dagger H$ - scalar portal, dimension 2: new scalars

$H^T L$ - neutrino portal, dimension 5/2: new leptons, HNLs

$G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$ - axion portal, dimension 4, new pseudo-scalars

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B-hypercharge field, H - Higgs field, L- leptonic doublet

**Common feature: relatively light
and very weakly interacting**

Vector portal

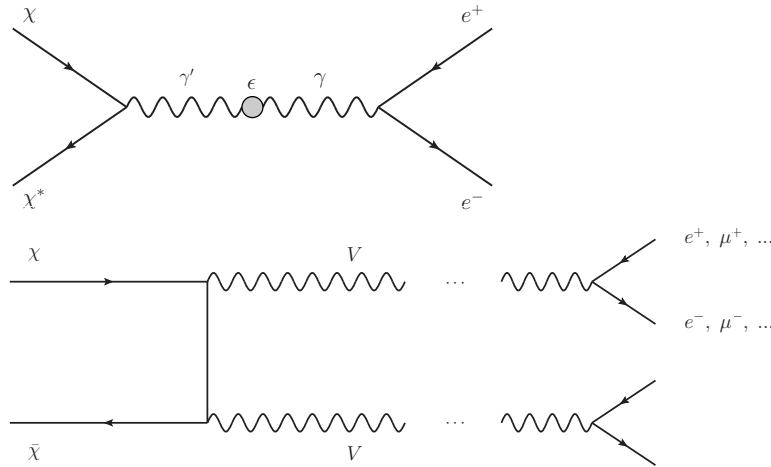
Okun, Voloshin, Holdom, Ellis, Schwarz, Tyupkin, Kolb, Seckel, Turner,
Georgi, Ginsparg, Glashow, Foot, Volkas, Blinnikov, Khlopov,
Gninenko, Ignatiev, ...

New vector particles: motivations

- Structure of the SM gauge group $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ may descend from a larger (e.g. GUT) group, and low energy theory symmetric under $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times [U(1)]^n$ is possible. Examples: gauging of the $B - L$ “accidental” global symmetry of the SM;
- Left-right symmetric models $[SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)]_{our} \times [SU(3)' \times SU(2)' \times U(1)']_{mirror}$: spontaneous parity violation. Messenger between left and right mirror particles .
- Dark matter hidden sector may have complicated structure, not associated with ideas of mirror symmetry. A possible bridge between hidden and our world can be the vector portal.

● Mediator of interaction with Dark matter

- Light dark matter with M as small as few MeV: increase of annihilation cross-section of DM particles.



Light dark matter

Definition 1:

Definition 2:

Light dark matter is a WIMP with the mass below **Lee-Weinberg bound**

LDM: an overview September 21, 2017 2 / 18

- Self-interacting dark matter: core-cusp problem in dwarf galaxies, too-big-to-fail problem (excess of massive sub-halos in N-body simulations of Milky Way type galaxies)

Scalar portal

Patt, Wilczek, Schabinger, Wells, No, Ramsey-Musolf, Walker, Khoze, Ro, Choi, Englert, Zerwas, Lebedev, Mambrini, Lee, Everett, Djouadi, Falkowski, Schwetz, Zupan, Tytgat, Gunion, Haber, Kane, Dawson,...

New scalars: motivations

- LHC: fundamental scalar boson exists in nature. There are many quarks, leptons, vector bosons. Why the Higgs boson should be unique?
- Hierarchy problem: SUSY and extended SUSY, mirror world with twin Higgs, neutral naturalness
- Composite Higgs boson: extra scalar states
- Large extra dimensions: KK scalar modes
- Pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone bosons (PNGB) of a spontaneously broken symmetry
- Flavour problem: familons

- Hidden Valley scenario: low mass hidden sector coupled to the SM through mediators of different nature
- Inflation is most probably driven by a scalar field
- Candidate for dark matter
- Messenger between the visible and dark matter sectors
- Electroweak baryogenesis (new scalar can make the EW phase transition of the first order, resulting in thermal non-equilibrium)
- Neutrino masses: type II see-saw

Axion portal

Weinberg, Wilczek, Witten, Conlon, Arvanitaki, Dimopoulos, Dubovsky,
Kaloper, March-Russell, Cicoli, Goodsell, Lazarides, Shafi, Choi,
Harnik, Kaplan, Espinoza, Quiros, Hooper, Feng...

Axion-like particles and PNCB: motivations

Well known example: axion to solve strong CP-problem

- String theory compactifications: axiverse with ALPs with masses taking values distributed across every scale of energy
- Pseudoscalars in extended Higgs sectors (e.g. NMSSM)
- Large extra dimensions with relatively small fundamental Planck scale
- PNCBs of spontaneously broken global flavour symmetries : familons
- Dark matter - mediation of interactions between SM and DM particles

Typical interaction:

$$\frac{a}{f_A} G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}, \quad \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_A} \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \psi, \quad \text{etc}$$

Light SUSY particles: motivations

SUSY: general framework for addressing hierarchy problem and Grand Unification. The prejudice that SUSY particles are heavy comes from the minimal models such as MSSM or CMSSM

- Unstable neutralino in models with R-parity breaking (then DM candidates - axino or axion)
- Scalar and pseudoscalar sgoldstinos coming from SUSY breaking (e.g. no-scale SUGRA)
- Pseudo Dirac gauginos χ_1, χ_2 : dark matter candidate χ_1
- SUSY partners of axion: axino and saxion
- SUSY partners of dark photons: hidden photinos $\tilde{\gamma}, \tilde{\gamma}', \dots$ (string theory compactifications)

Common features of hidden particles

Production

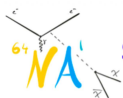
- Meson decays
 - Dark photon A' : $\eta, \rho, \pi, \dots \rightarrow \gamma A'$
 - HNL, neutralino, axino N : $K, D, B \rightarrow N + lepton$
 - scalars, light inflaton, pseudoscalars, sgoldstino X :
 $K, D, B \rightarrow X + meson$
 - photino $\tilde{\gamma}$: $B \rightarrow K \tilde{\gamma} \tilde{\gamma}$
- Direct production, bremsstrahlung
 - Dark photon A' : $q \bar{q} \rightarrow A'$, $q g \rightarrow A' q$, $pp \rightarrow ppA'$
 - scalars S : $p + target \rightarrow S + \dots$
 - ALPs, saxions a : Drell-Yan $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma^*$, followed by Primakoff
 $\gamma^* \rightarrow a\gamma$

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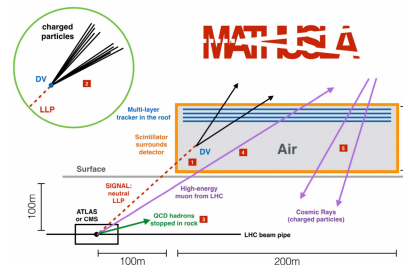
Detection

- Hidden particle decays
 - Dark photon A' : $A' \rightarrow l^+l^-$, $A' \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$
 - HNL, neutralino, axino N : $N \rightarrow \text{meson} + \text{lepton}, \dots$
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 $X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, l^+l^-, \dots$
 - hidden photino $\tilde{\gamma}$: $\tilde{\gamma} \rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}' + l^+l^-$

Searches for dark sectors



Search for dark sectors in missing energy events



Conclusions

The search for new very weakly interacting particles with masses below the Fermi scale, can

- find particles that lead to neutrino masses and oscillations
- find particles that lead to baryon asymmetry of the Universe
- find particles that could inflate the Universe
- shed new light on the properties of dark matter

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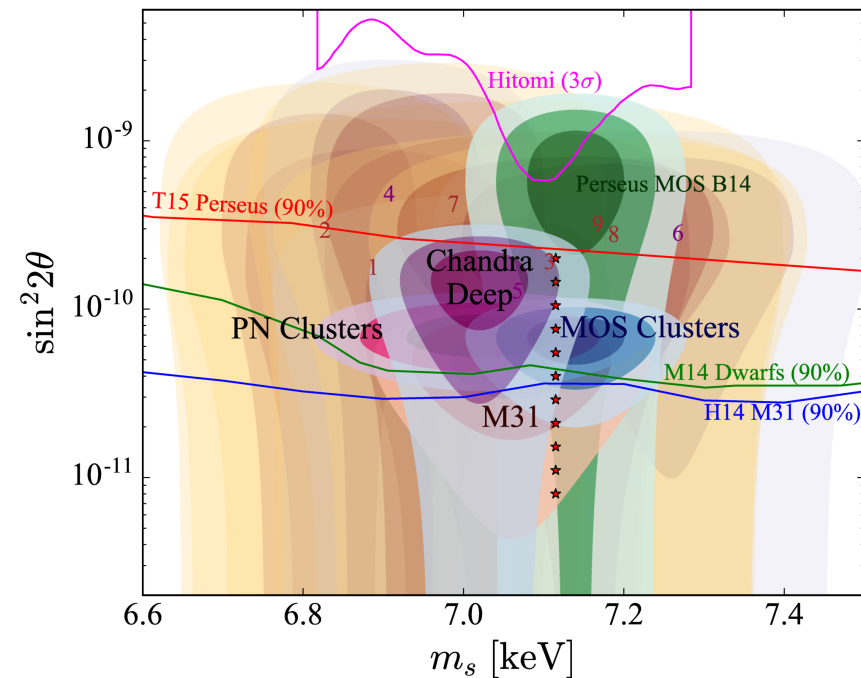
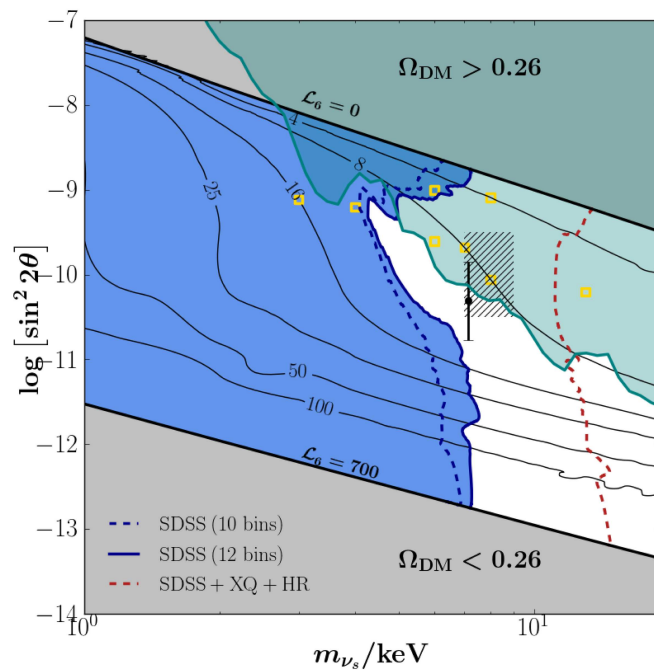
- High energy and high intensity frontier are complimentary:
 - High energy: search for new **heavy** particles with $\mathcal{O}(1)$ couplings. Low energy SUSY, composite Higgs, large extra dimensions, ... LHC, FCC in hh mode
 - High intensity: indirect search for new **heavy** particles with couplings $\ll 1$ leading to deviations from the SM through the loops. LHCb, NA62, BELLE, flavour physics experiments,...
 - High intensity: search new **light** particles with couplings $\ll 1$. Heavy neutral leptons, dark photon, ALPs, ... SHiP, NA62, NA64, FCC in ee mode, ...

Backup slides

Status of sterile neutrino dark matter N_1

Decaying DM: $N_1 \rightarrow \gamma\nu$

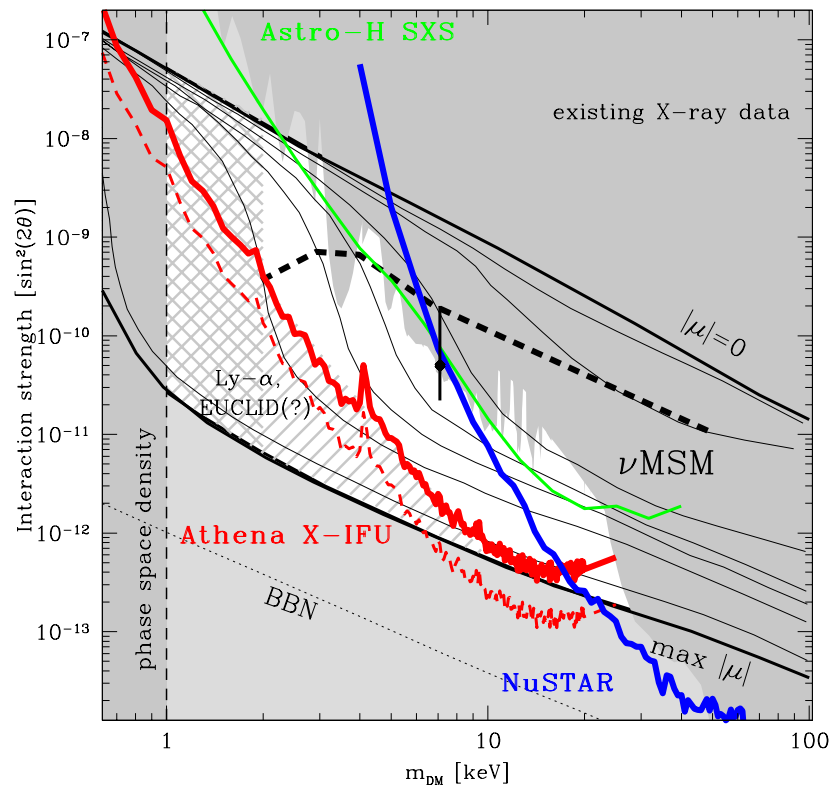
3.5 keV line: E. Bulbul et al, Boyarsky et al



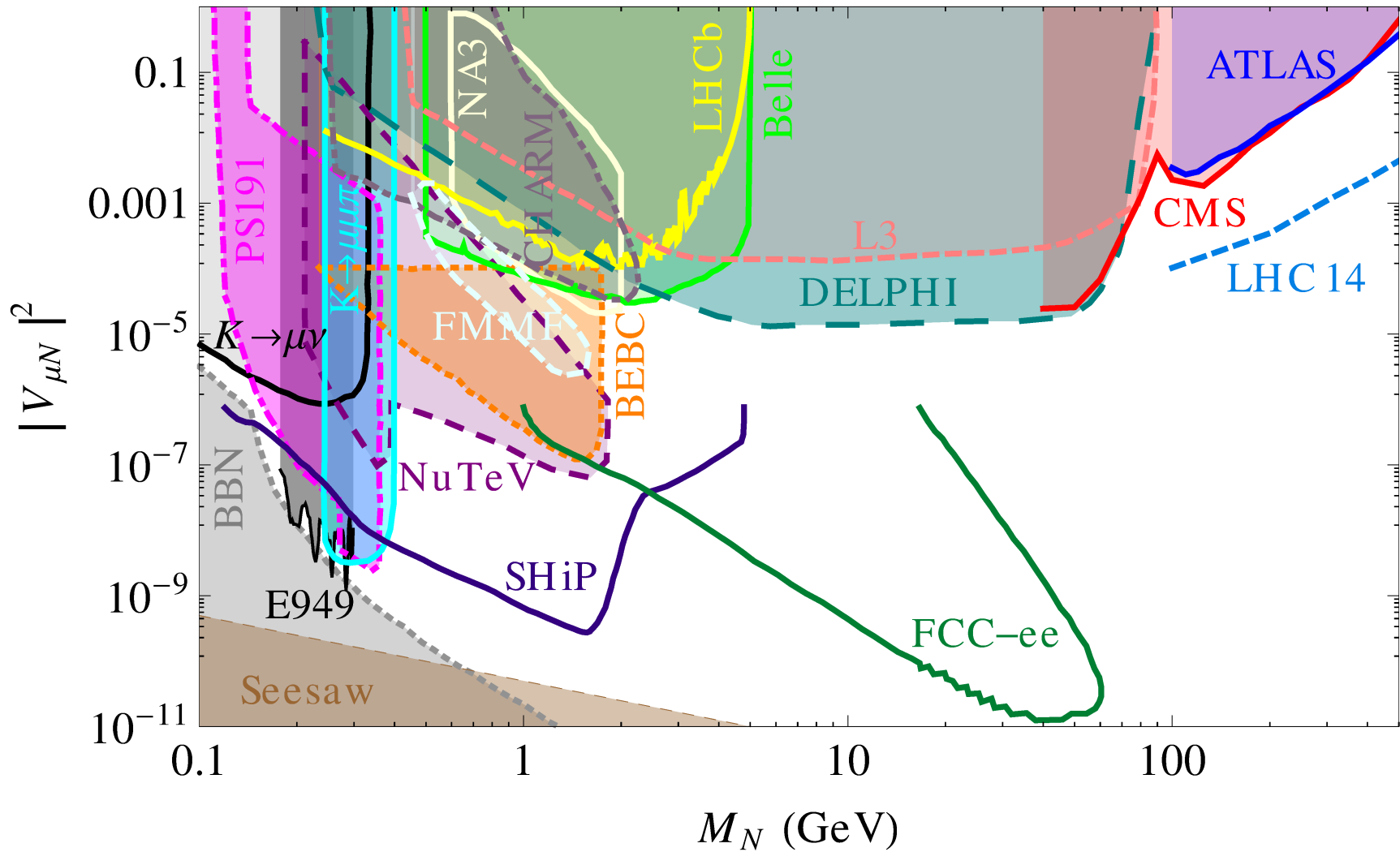
1706.03118, Baur et al.

1705.01837 Abazajian

- HNL (N_1) dark matter searches in X-rays, future after Astro-H (Hitomi) failure
 - Micro-calorimeter on sounding rocket (2018?): instrument with large field-of-view and very high spectral resolution
 - Hitomi 2: X-ray Astronomy Recovery Mission (XARM) (2020?)
 - Large ESA X-ray mission (2028) – Athena + , X-ray spectrometer (X-IFU) with unprecedented spectral resolution



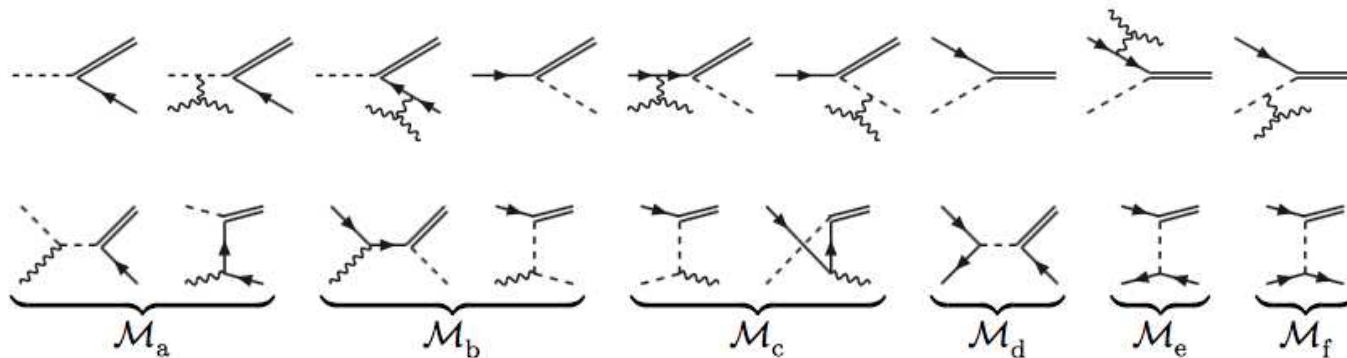
Survey of constraints, $N_{2,3}$



Baryon asymmetry

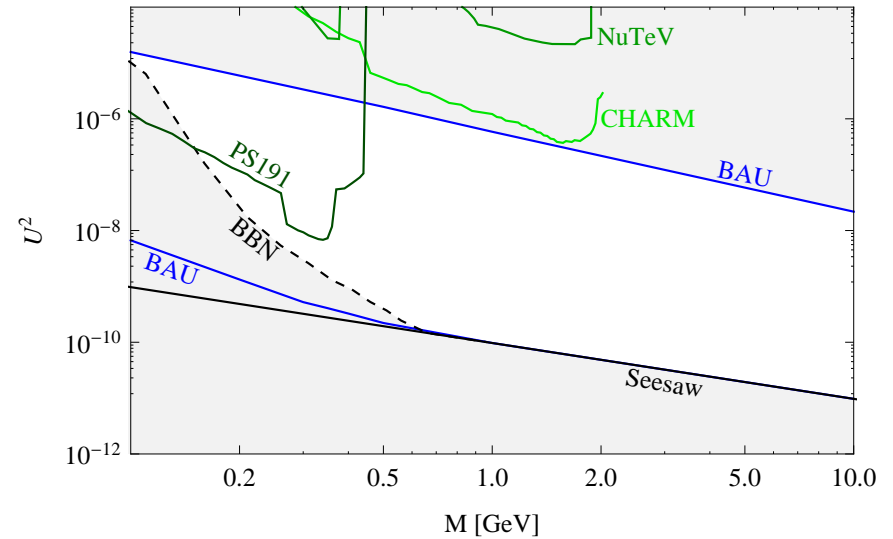
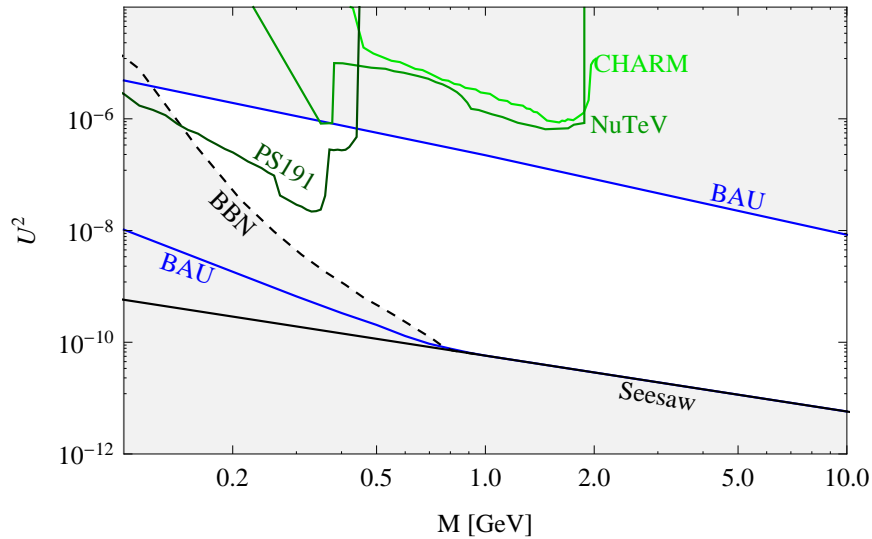
Creation of baryon asymmetry - a complicated process involving creation of **HNLs** in the early universe and their coherent CP-violating oscillations, interaction of **HNLs** with SM fermions, sphaleron processes with lepton and baryon number non-conservation

Akhmedov, Rubakov, Smirnov; Asaka, MS



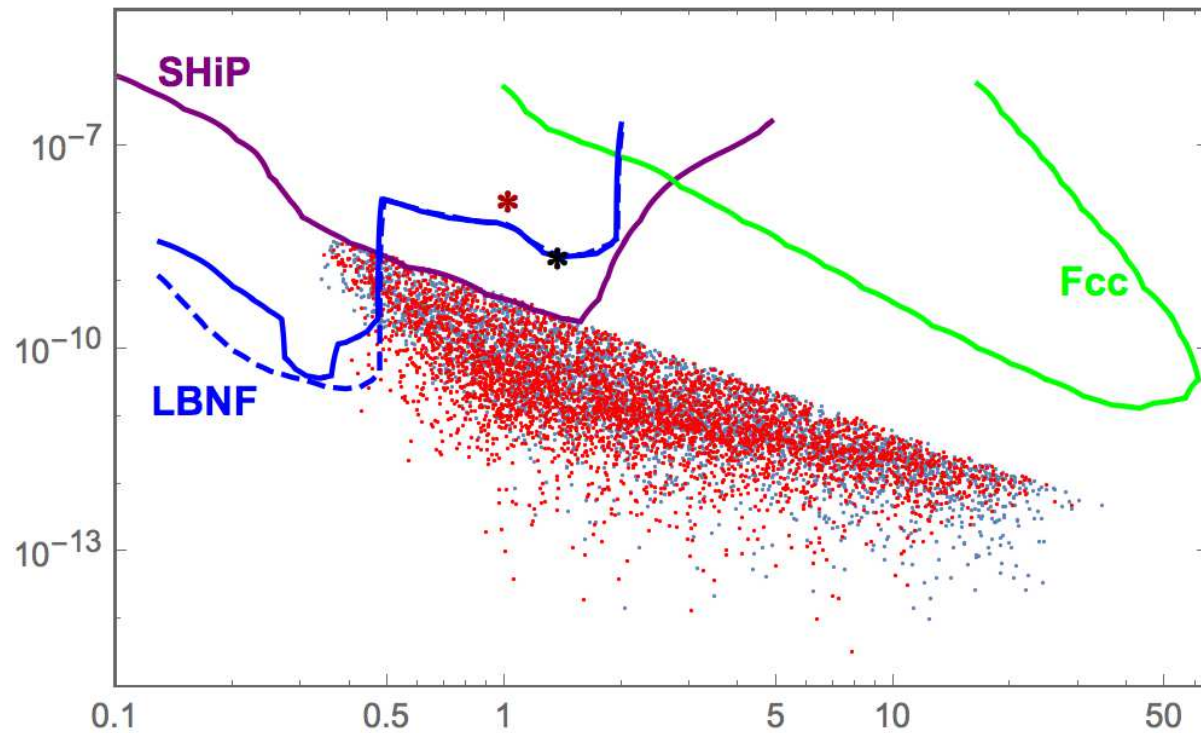
Resummation, hard thermal loops, Landau-Pomeranchuk-Migdal effect, etc. Ghiglieri, Laine. How to describe these processes is still under debate, but the consensus is that **it works** and **is testable at SHiP**.

Baryon asymmetry: HNLs $N_{2,3}$



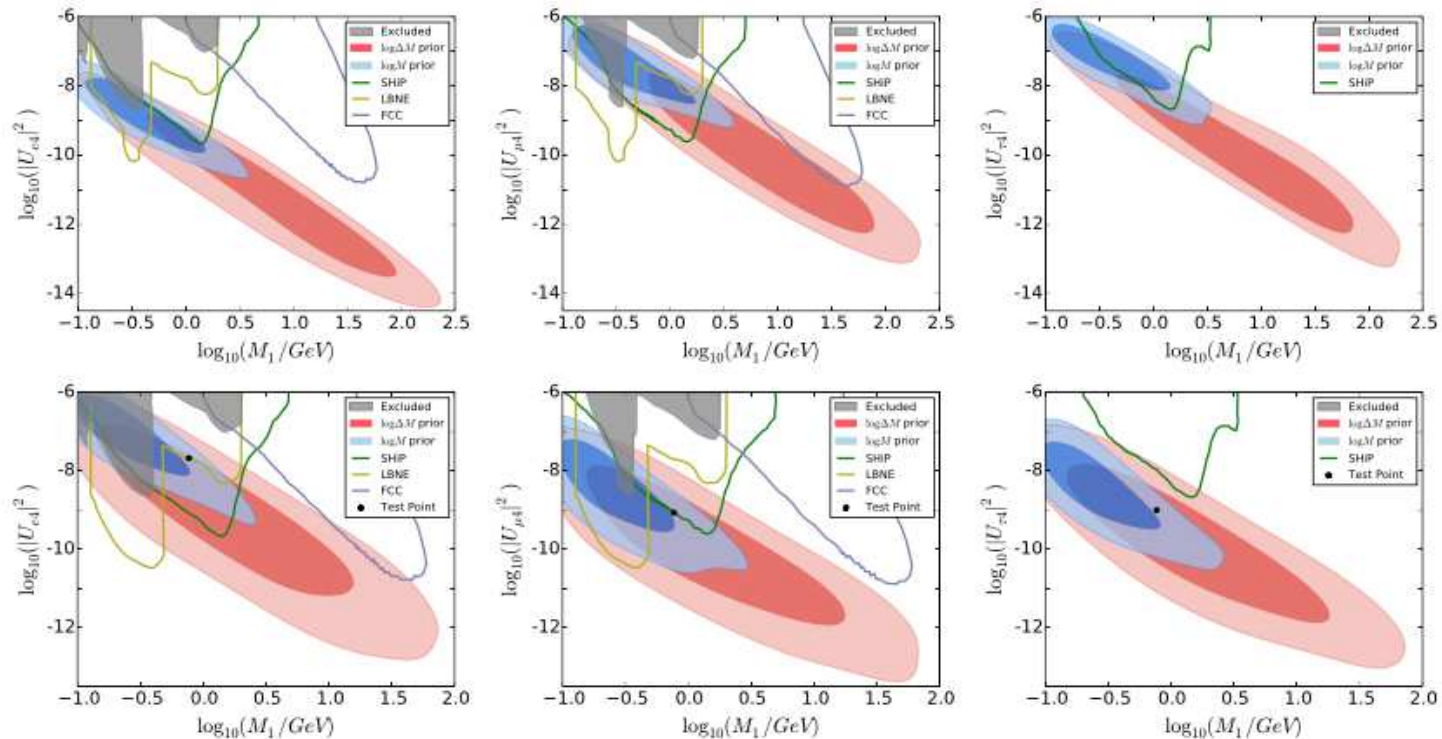
Constraints on U^2 coming from the baryon asymmetry of the Universe, from the see-saw formula, from the big bang nucleosynthesis and experimental searches. Left panel - normal hierarchy, right panel - inverted hierarchy (Canetti, Drewes, Frossard, MS '12).

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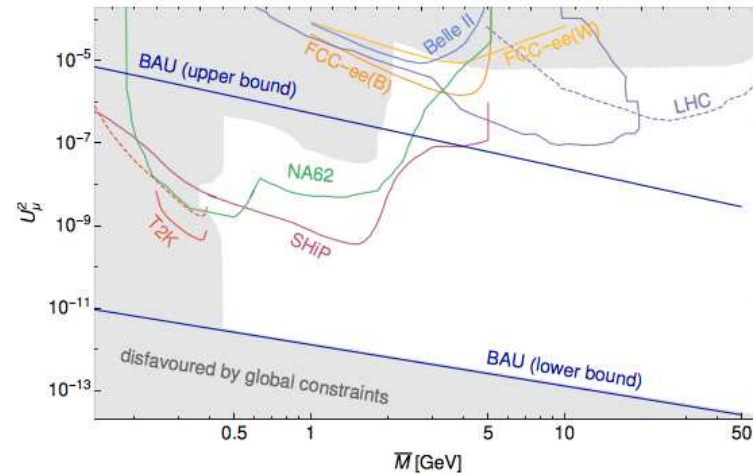
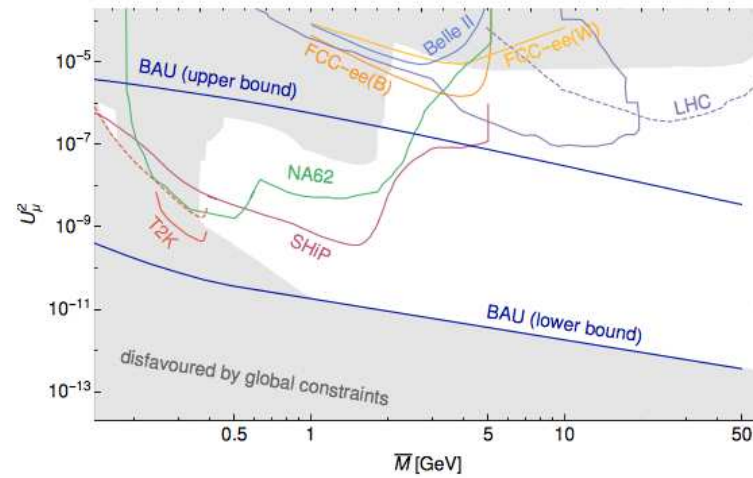
weak washout regime (Abada, Arcadia, Domcke, Lucente '15).

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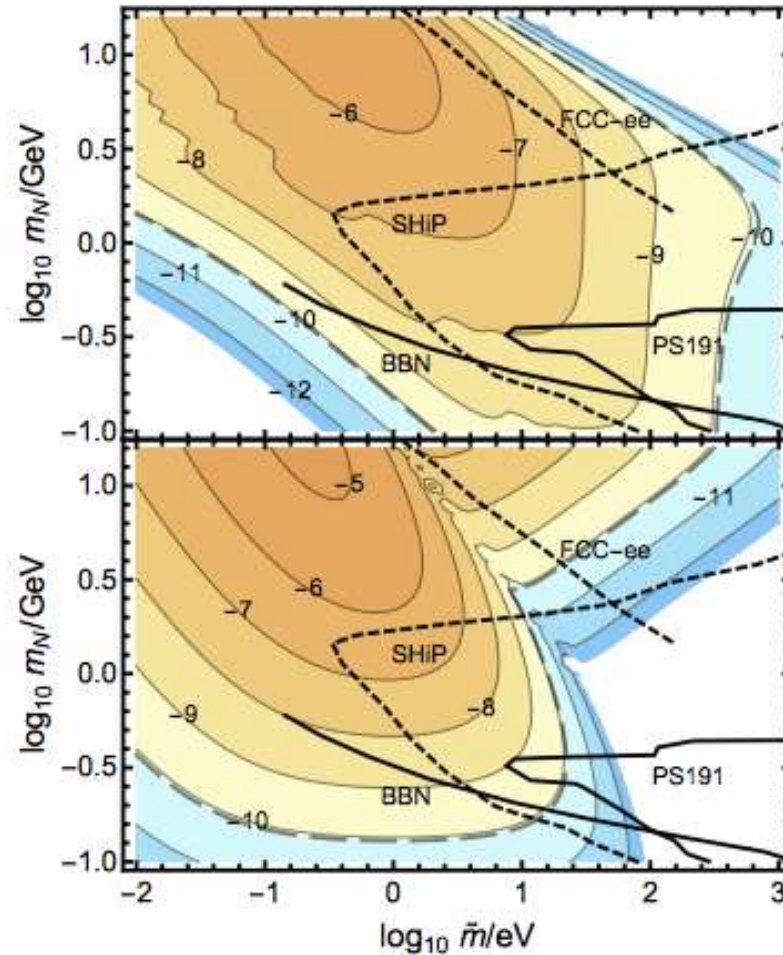
Comparison of the posterior probability contours at 68% and 90% on the planes mixings with e, μ, τ versus masses, with the present (shaded region) and future constraints from DUNE, FCC and SHiP for NH (up) and IH (down) [Hernández, Kekic, J. López-Pavón, Racker, J. Salvado '16.](#)

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Drewes, Garbrech, Guetera, Klarić '16.

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Hambye, Teresi '17.