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Hunting Hidden Photons

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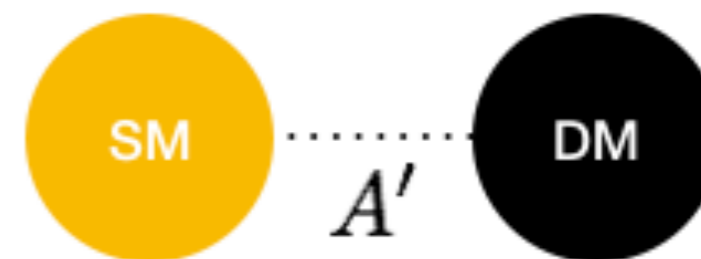
based on

[Bauer, PF, Jaeckel; [arxiv:1803.05466](https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.05466)]

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Motivation

- We have ample evidence for DM, but internal dynamics of dark sector is an open question.



- If we add extra U(1), gauge invariance and renormalizability allow for the kinetic mixing portal term.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}F'_{\mu\nu}F'^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\epsilon}{2}F_{\mu\nu}F'^{\mu\nu}$$

The equation shows the kinetic Lagrangian with three terms. The first two terms are in black, and the third term is in red. To the right of the equation is a wavy line with a red 'X' over it, indicating a crossed-out diagram.

- Bringing kinetic terms into canonical form:

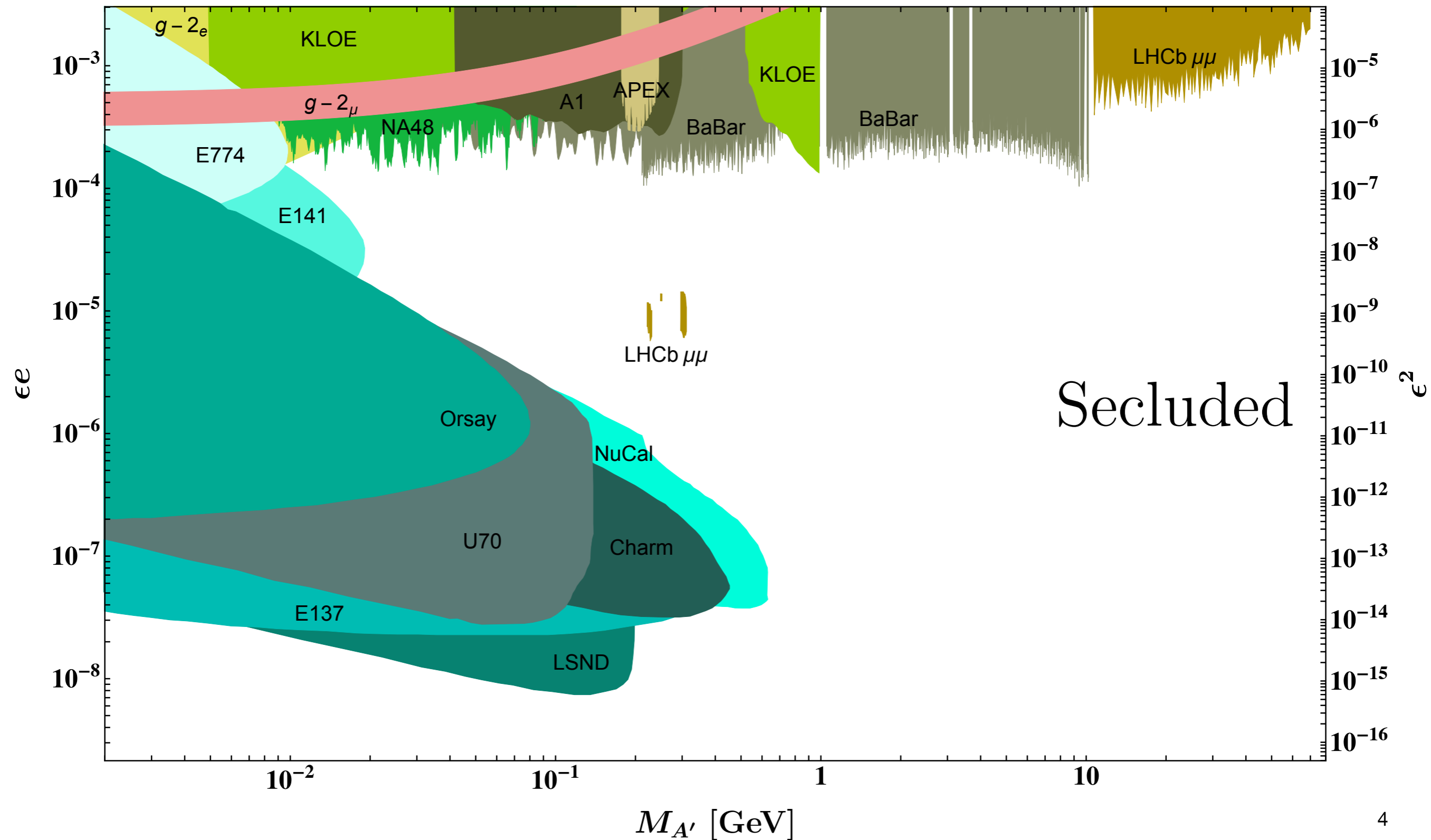
$$A^\mu \rightarrow A^\mu - \epsilon A'^\mu \quad \longrightarrow \quad eA_\mu J_{\text{EM}}^\mu - \epsilon eA'_\mu J_{\text{EM}}^\mu$$

The equation shows the transformation of the gauge field and the resulting interaction terms. To the right of the equation is a diagram showing a wavy line connected to two straight lines, representing a vertex.

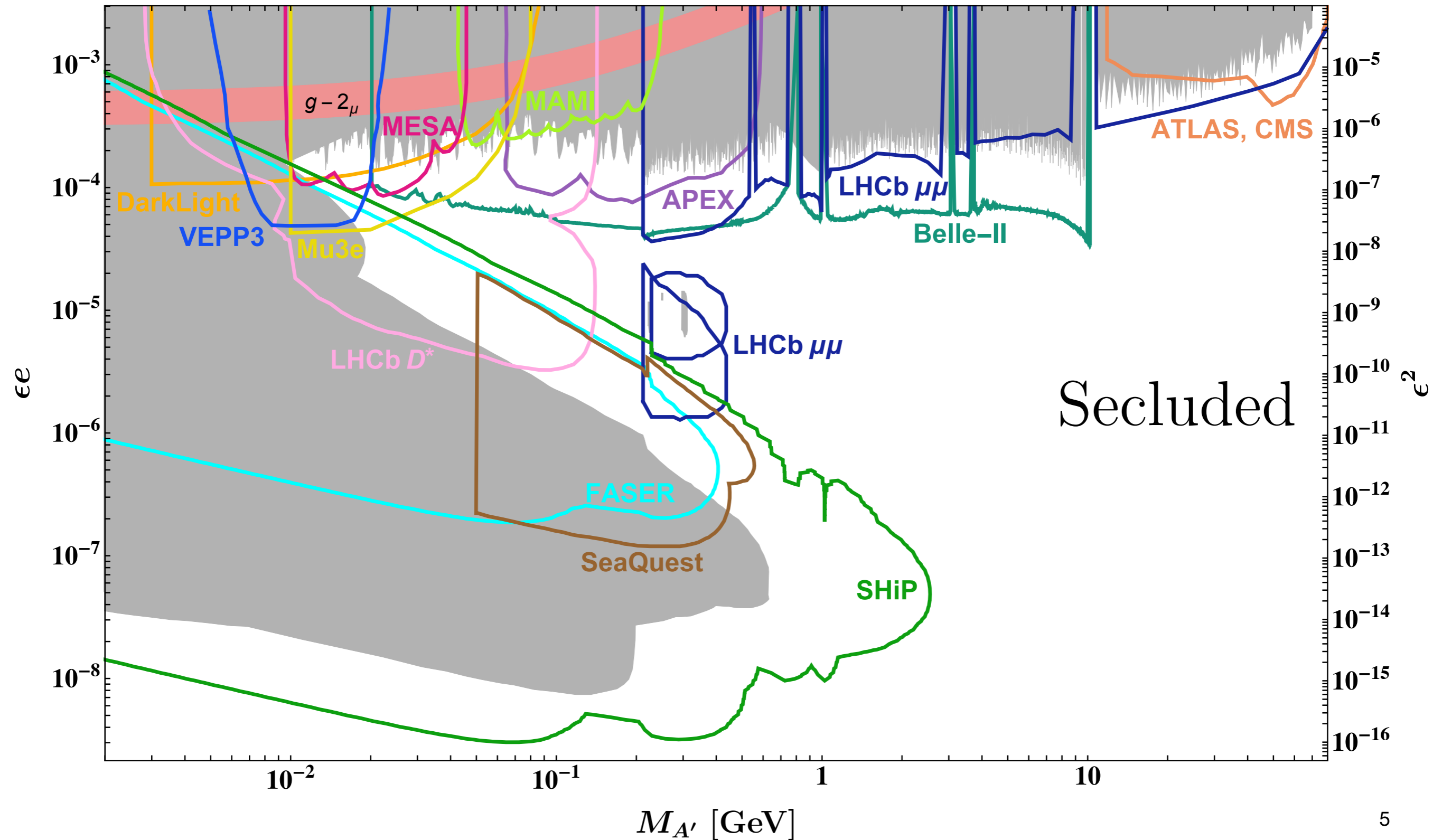
Secluded Hidden Photon

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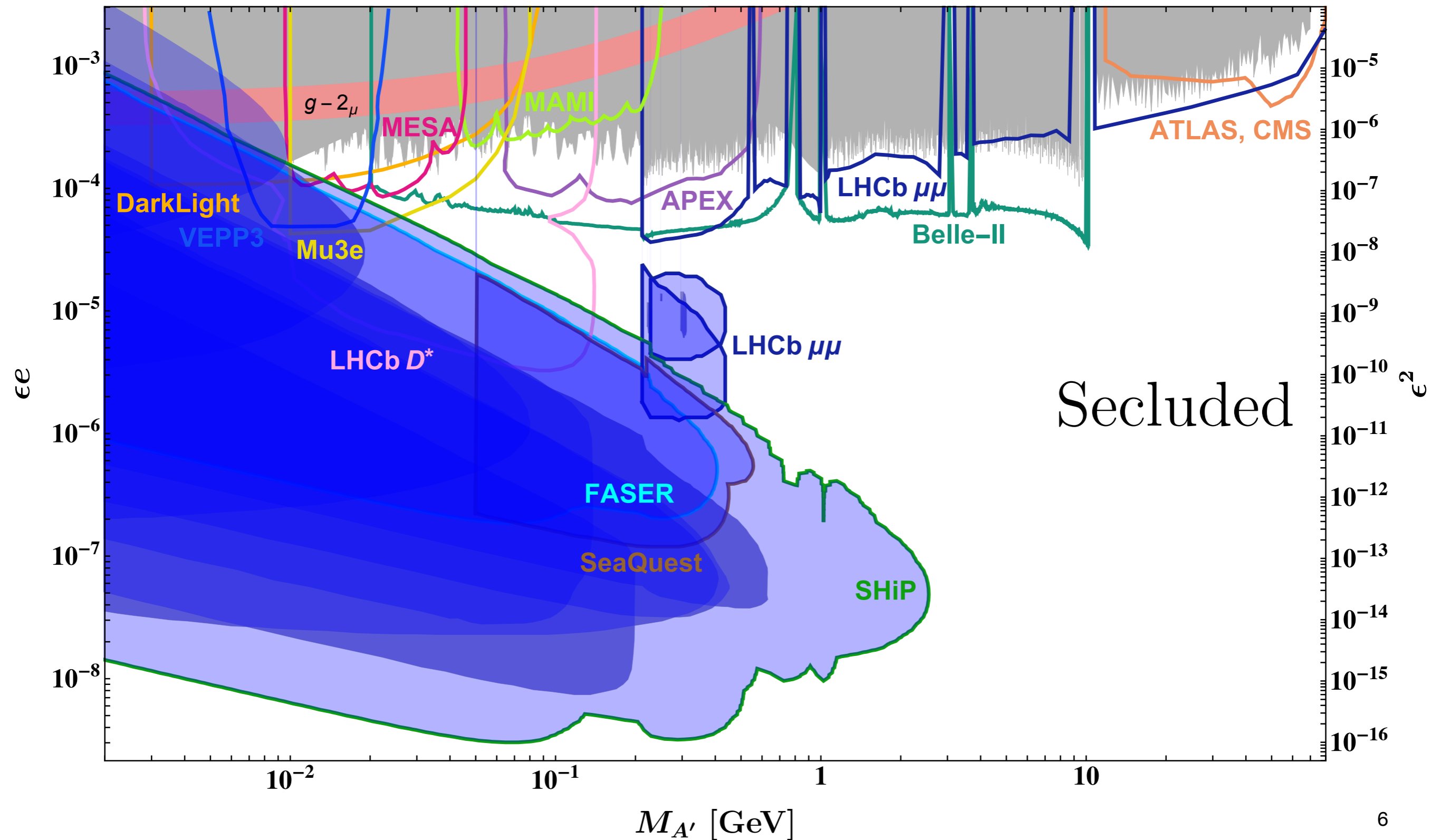
Secluded $U(1)_X$ - current status



Secluded $U(1)_X$ - future sensitivity



Displaced searches (LLPs)



Gauge Boson Mass

- Higgs breaking of new U(1):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= (D_\mu S)^\dagger D^\mu S = (\partial_\mu + ig' A'_\mu)(f + \xi)(\partial^\mu - ig' A'^\mu)(f + \xi) \\ &\supset g'^2 f^2 A'_\mu A'^\mu\end{aligned}$$



$$M_{A'} = g' f$$

- If A' is light it must also be very weakly coupled \longrightarrow long-lived

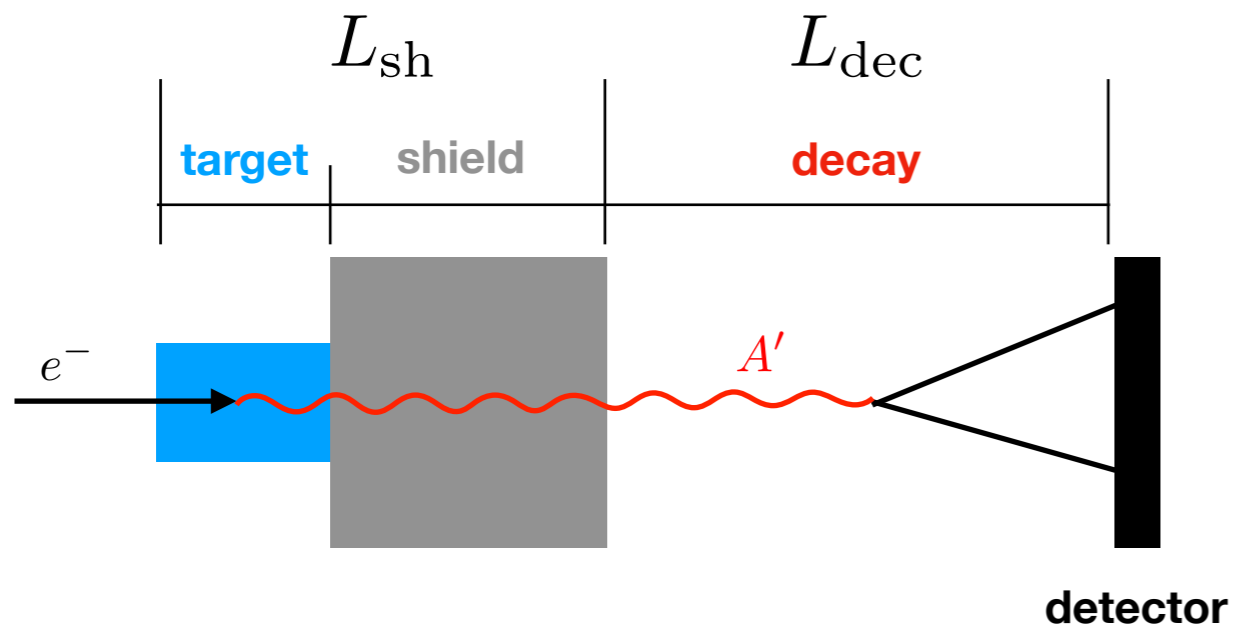
\longrightarrow A prime candidate for displaced searches!

Beam dumps — ideal HP experiments

A' naturally light and weakly coupled: $M_{A'} = g' f$

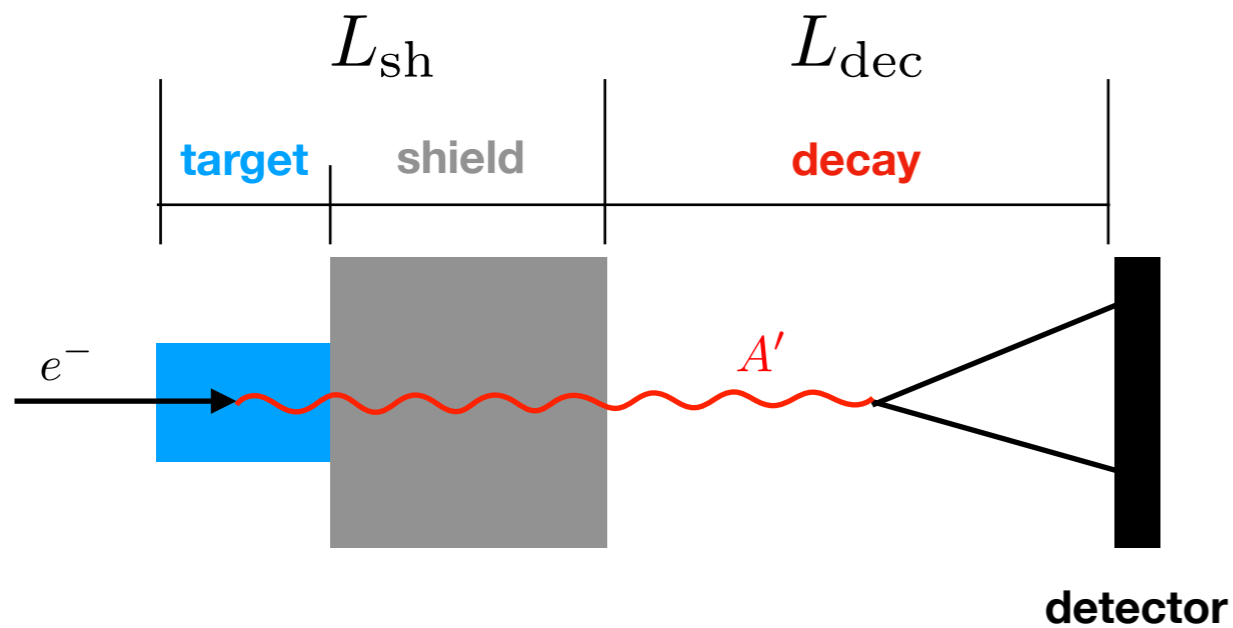
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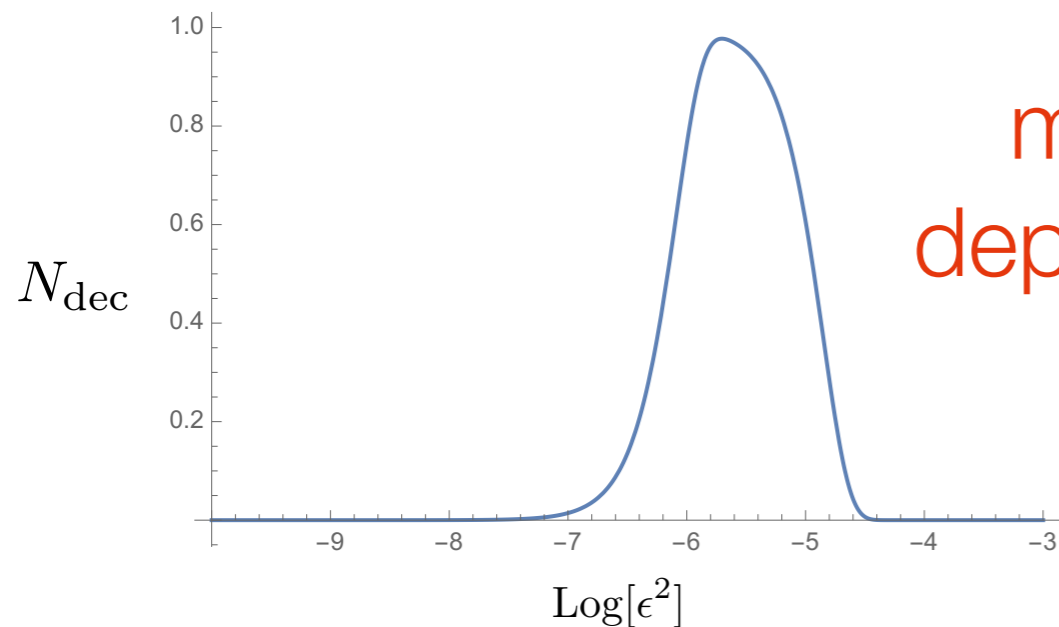


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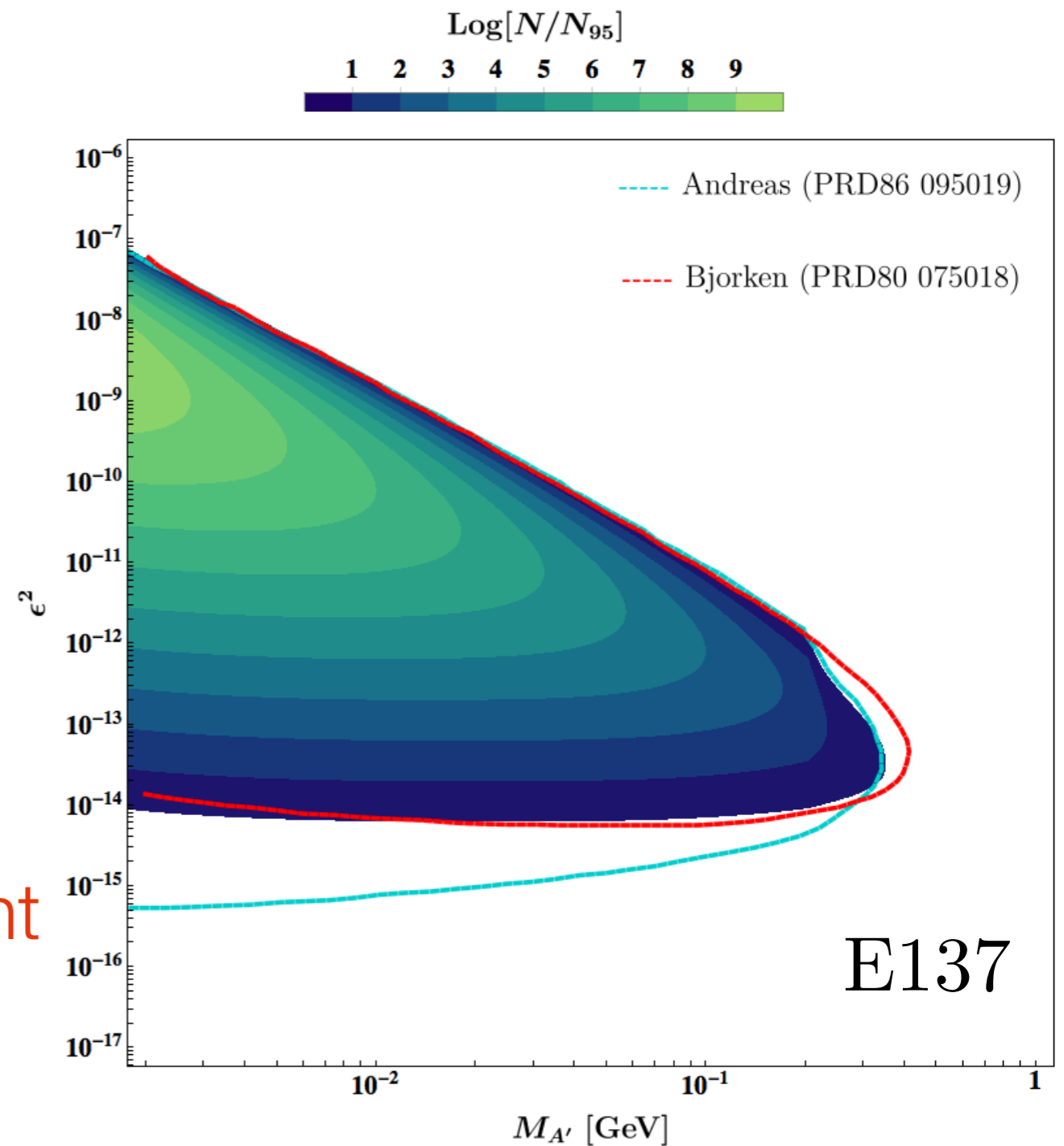
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$$N_{\text{dec}} \propto e^{-\frac{L_{\text{sh}}}{\ell_{A'}}} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{L_{\text{dec}}}{\ell_{A'}}} \right)$$



model dependent



Anomaly-free gauge groups

Some SM fields are charged under the new $U(1)$ symmetry.

Charging SM fields under extra U(1)

- Four extra anomaly-free groups within the SM:

B - L

charging
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$L_\mu - L_e$

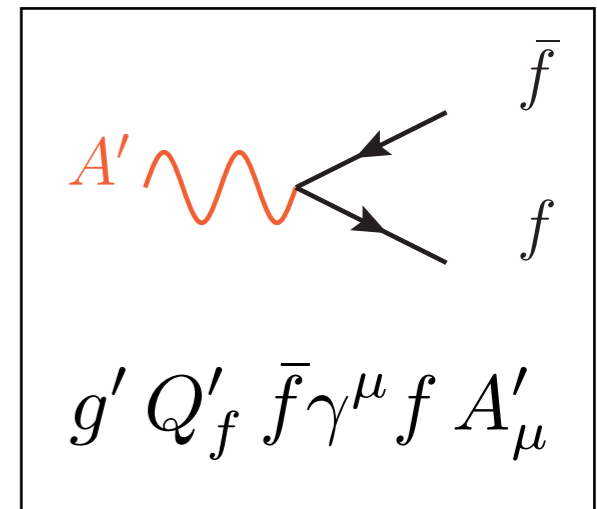
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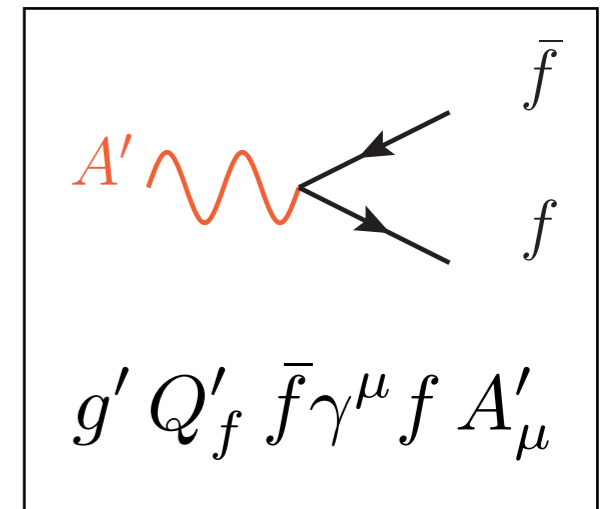
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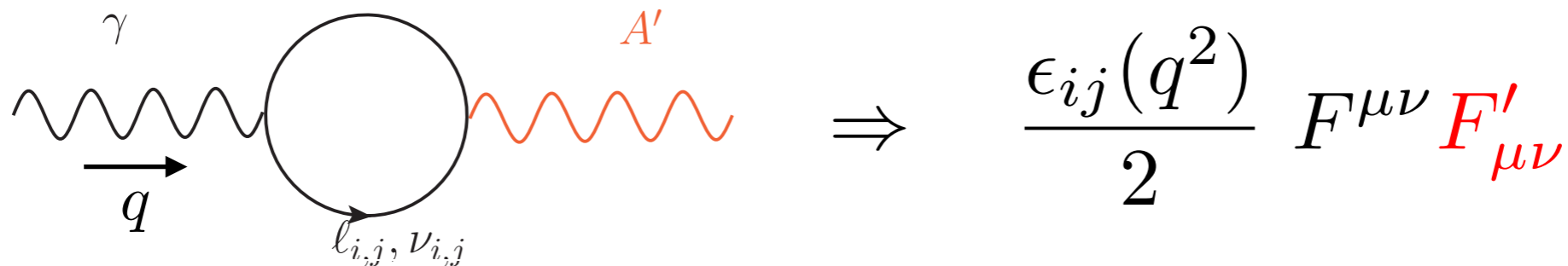
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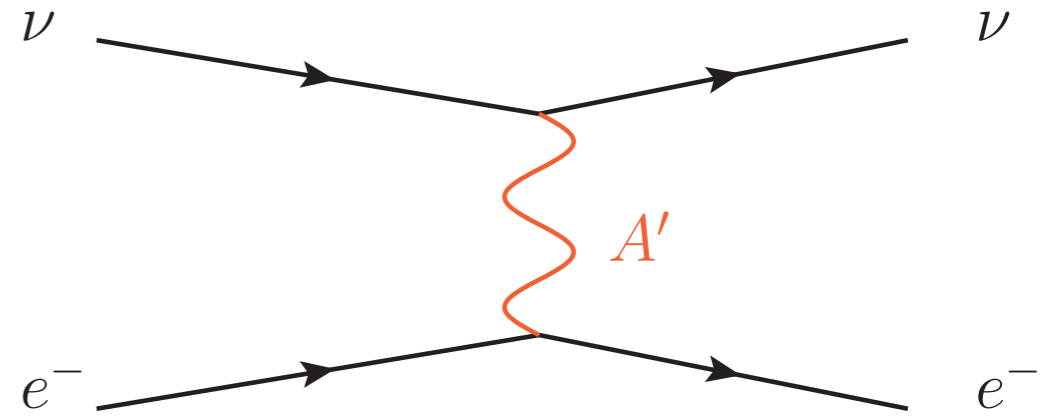
- Loop-induced mixing is unavoidable!
However, it is finite and calculable for $L_i - L_j$:



$$\epsilon_{ij}(q^2) \simeq \frac{3 e g_{ij}}{4\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx x(1-x) \log \left(\frac{m_i^2 + q^2 x(x-1)}{m_j^2 + q^2 x(x-1)} \right)$$

Neutrino scattering experiments

- **Example:** Borexino has measured the elastic scattering rate of solar neutrinos.

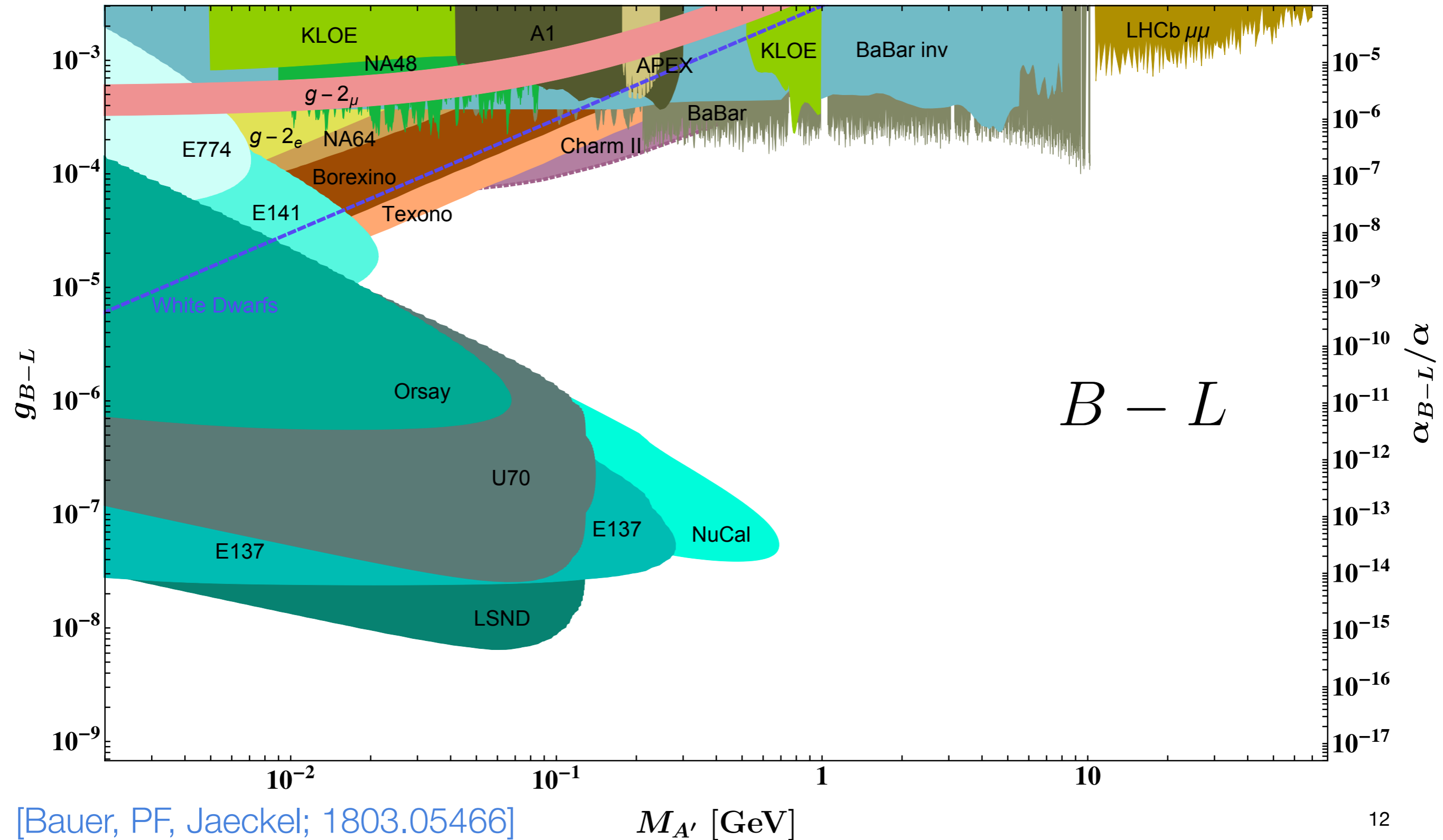


- Solar (electron) neutrinos oscillate on way to earth.
→ All neutrino flavors can contribute to scattering:

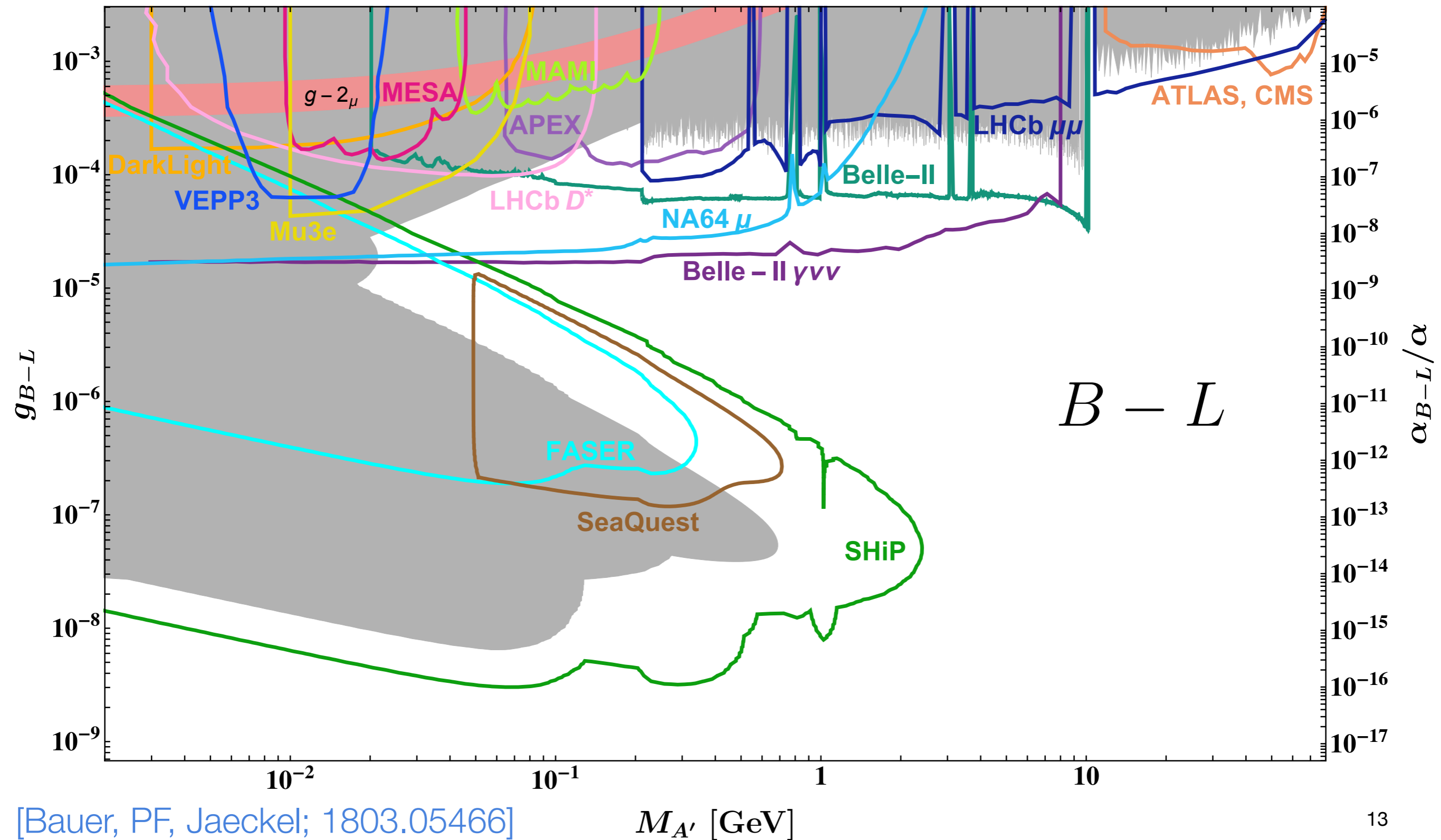
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE} \propto \sum_{i,j=1}^3 f_i |g' (U^\dagger Q_\nu U)_{ij}|^2$$

with lepton mixing matrix U , neutrino charge matrix Q_ν and the fraction f_i of the i -th neutrino mass eigenstate at earth.

$B - L$ - current status

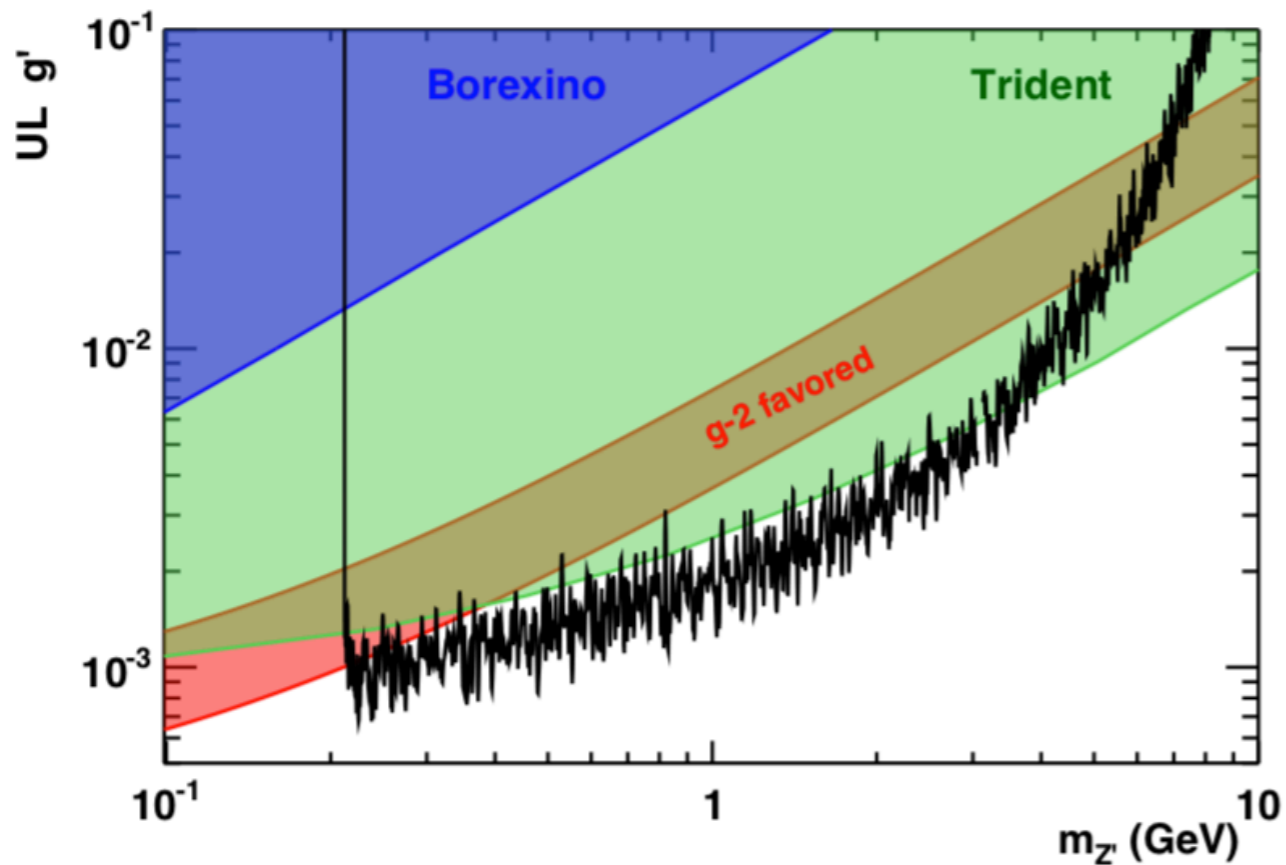
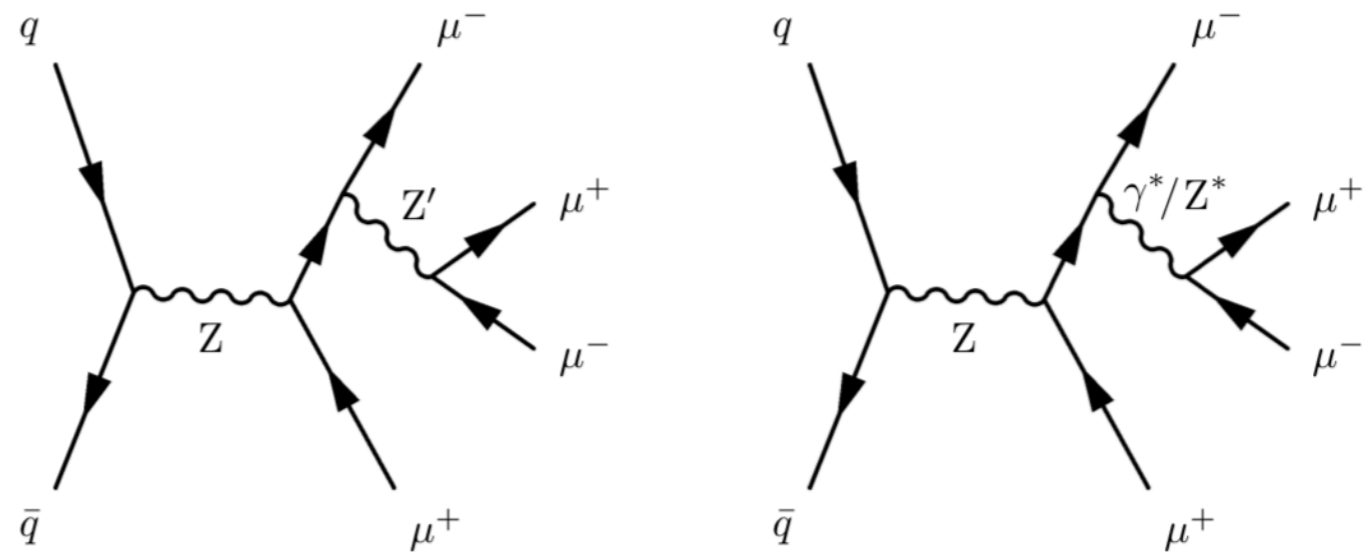


$B - L$ - future sensitivity

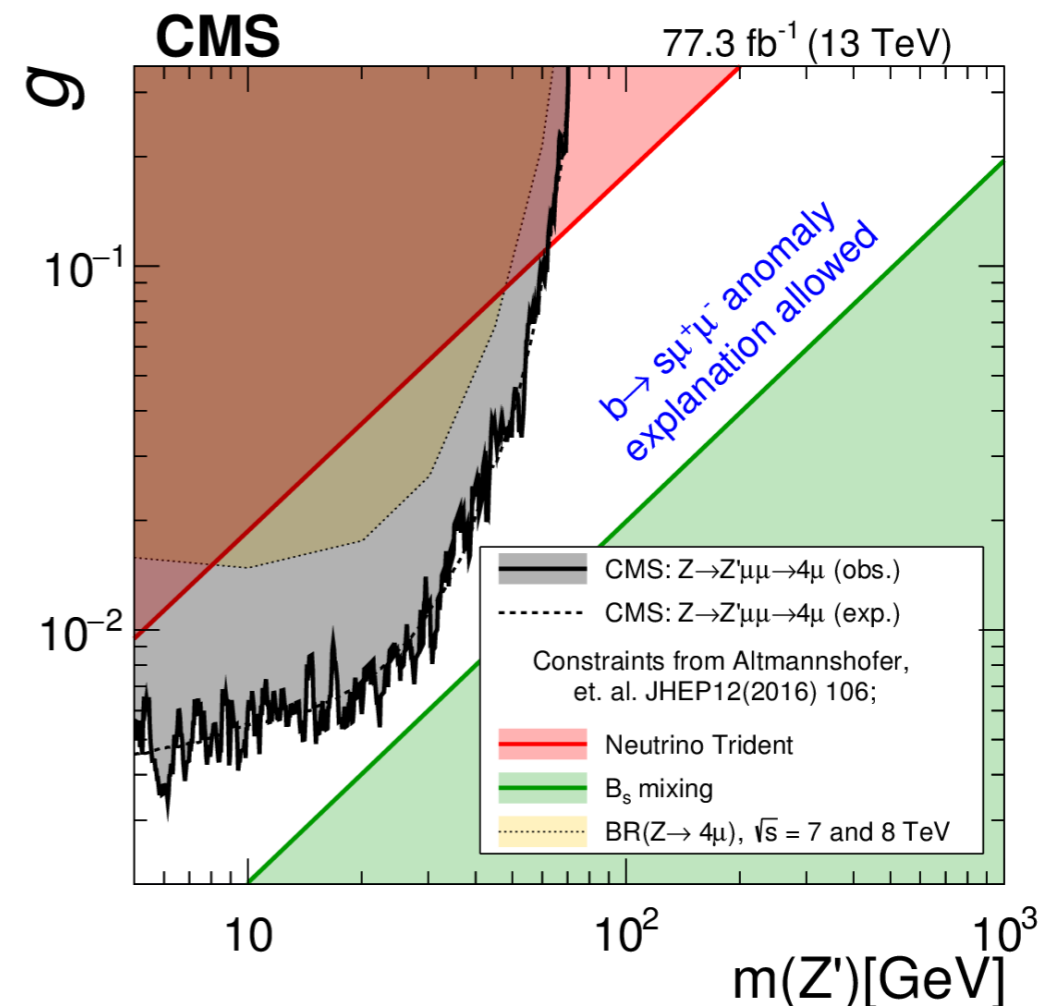


Charging L_μ : Four-muon signature

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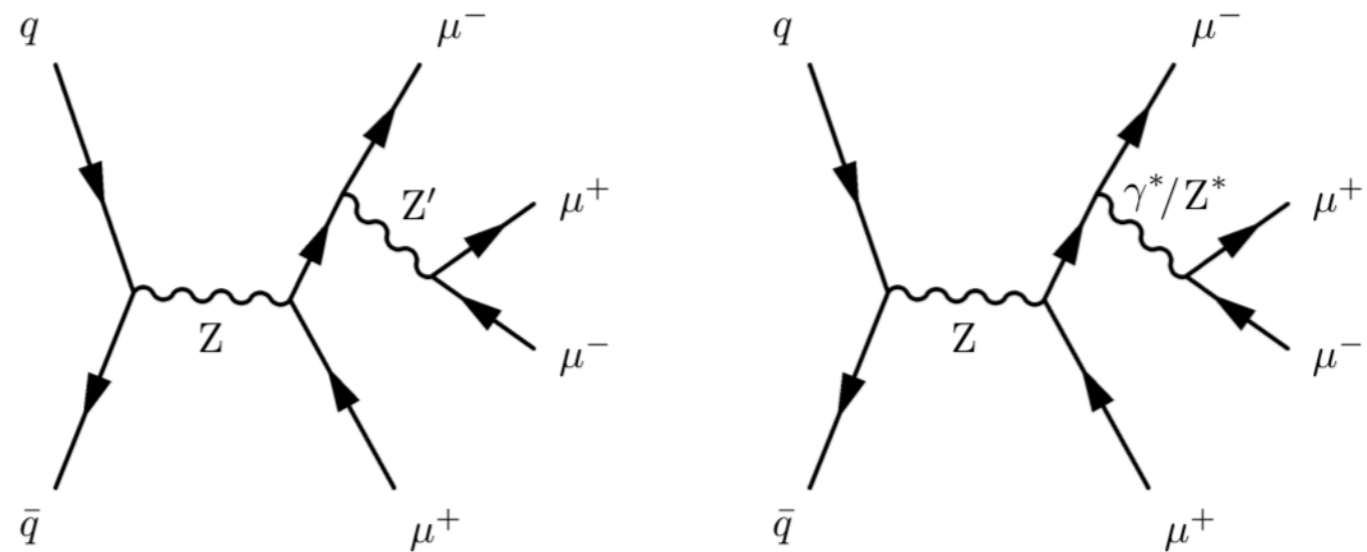
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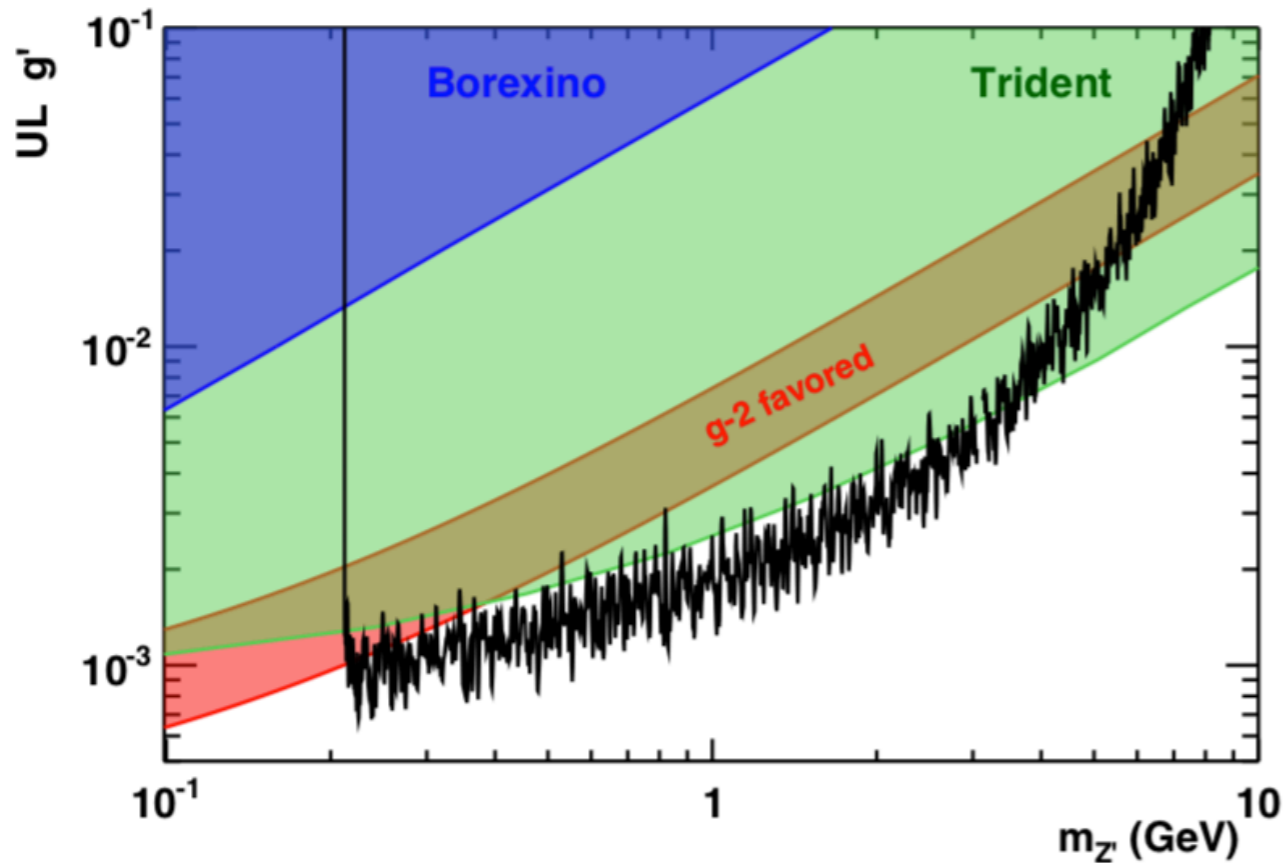
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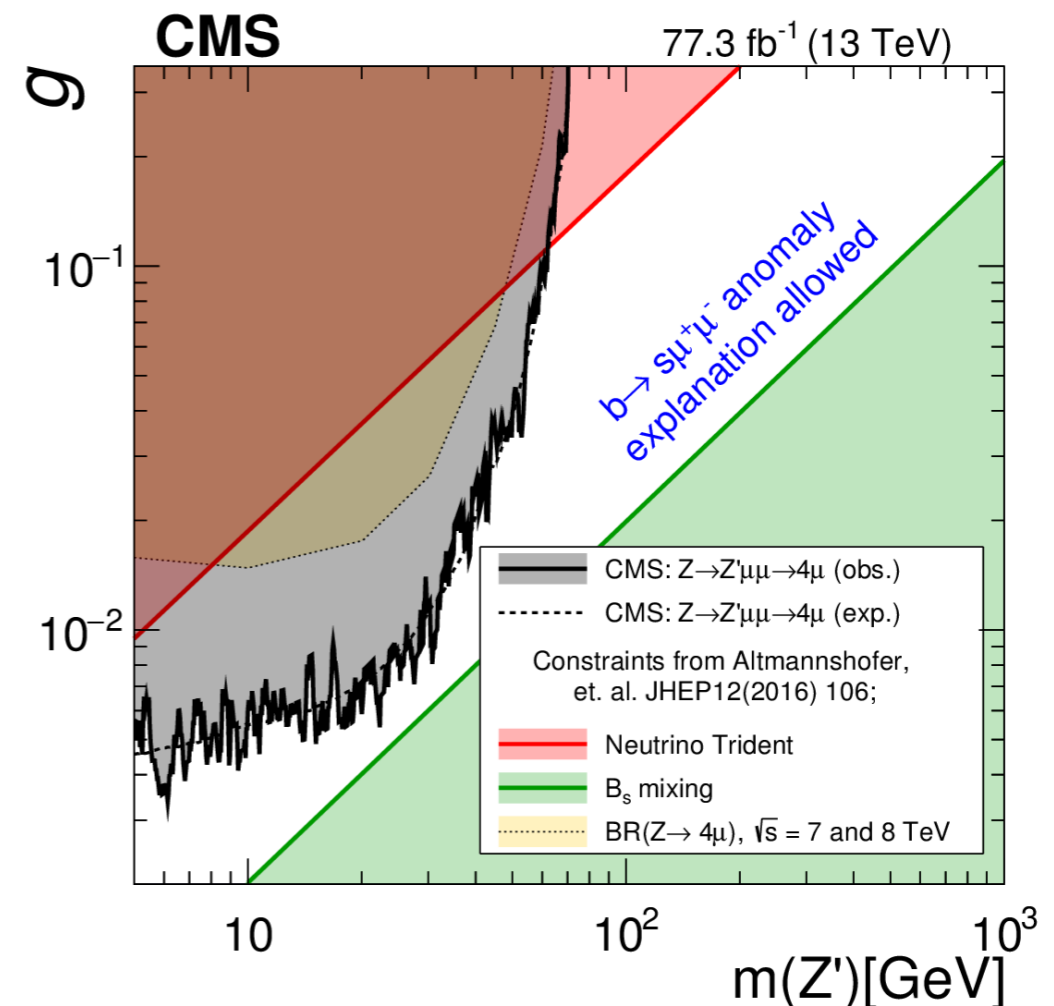
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What about 2 displaced muons?

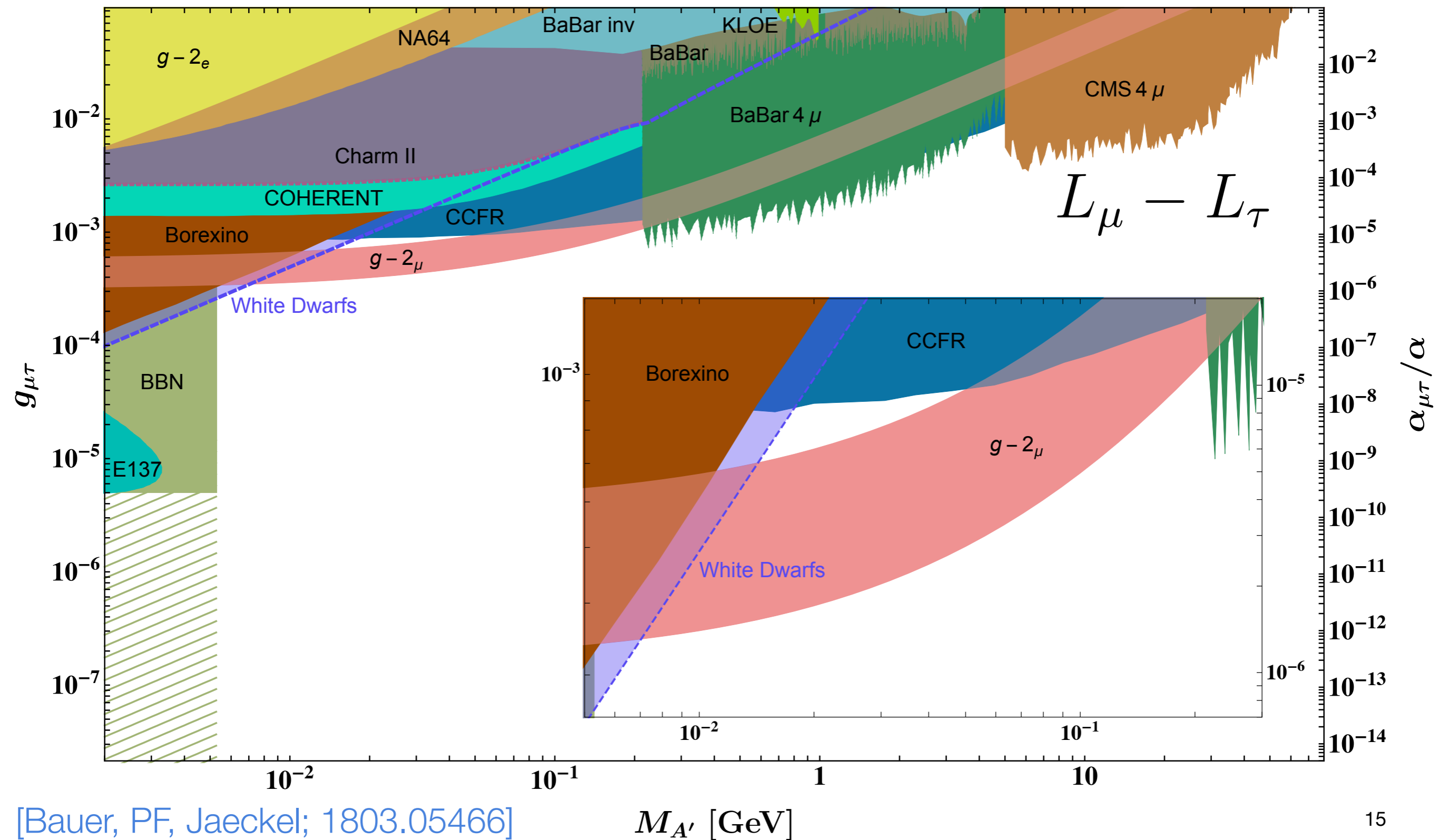


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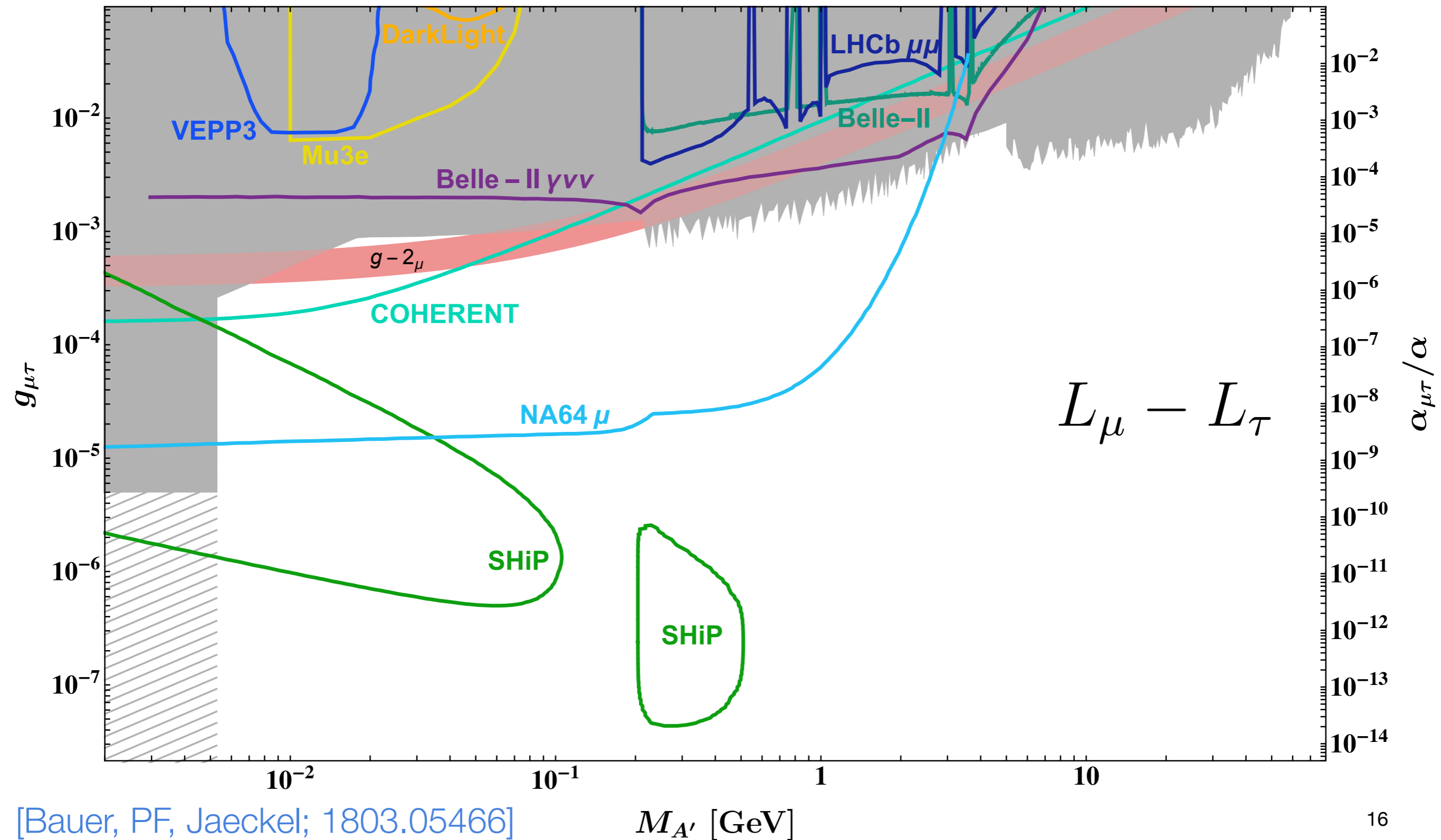


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$L_\mu - L_\tau$ - current status



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Let there be light DM

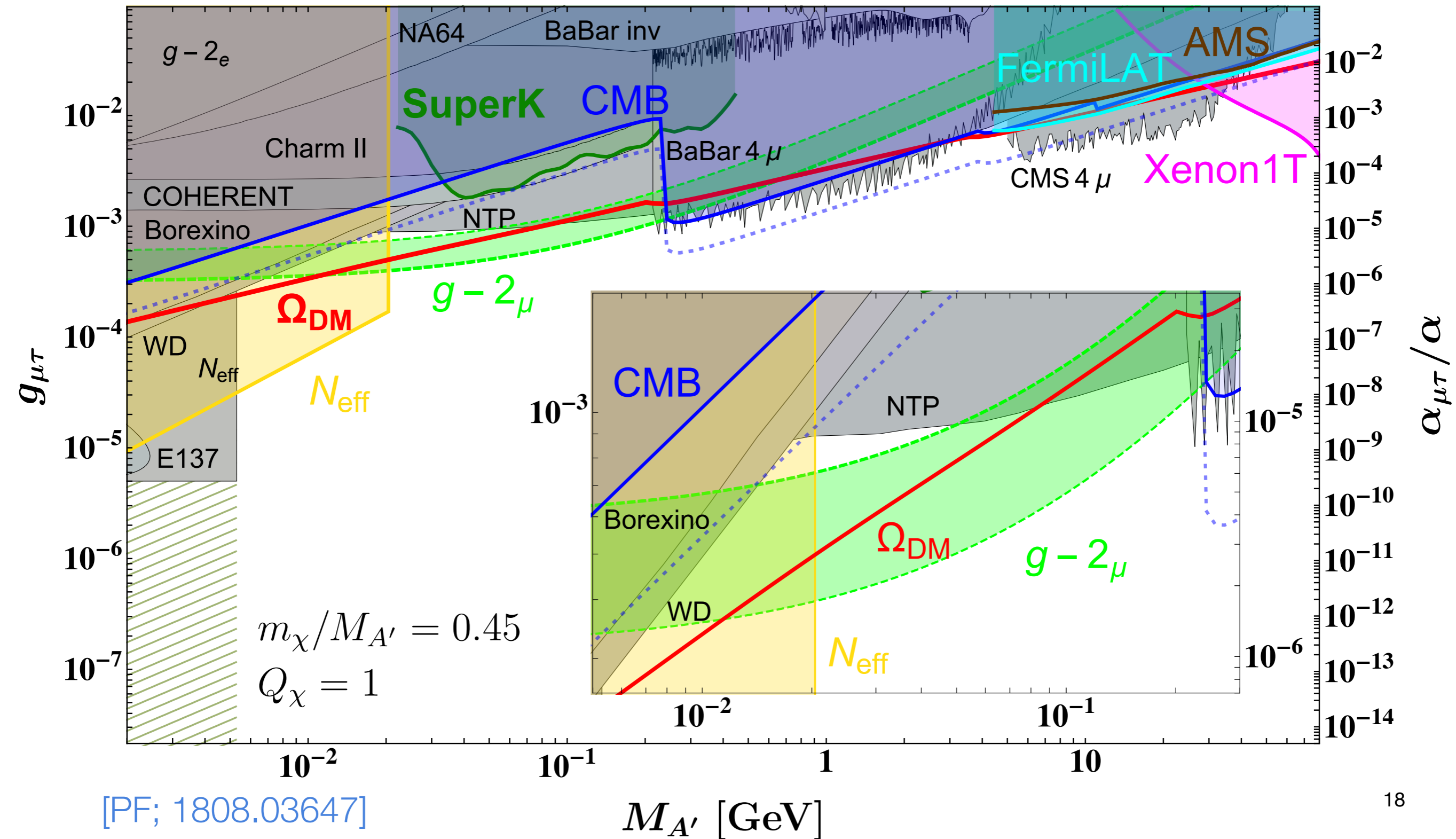
Augment field content by light vector-like fermion charged under $U(1)_{L_\mu - L_\tau}$.

Vector-like DM within $U(1)_{L_\mu - L_\tau}$

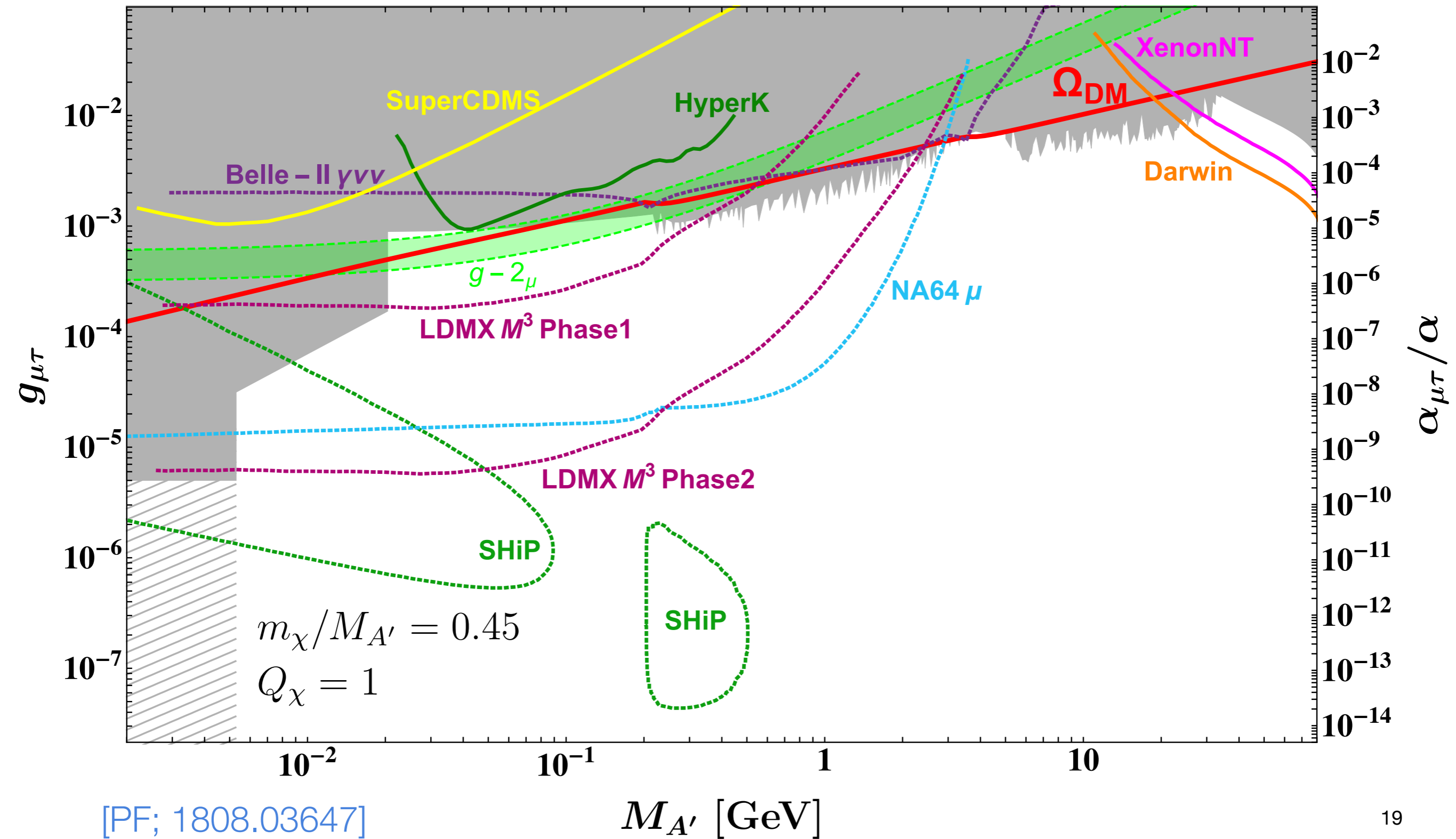
- Add a vector-like fermion: $\mathcal{L} = -g_{\mu\tau} Q_\chi \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi A'_\mu$

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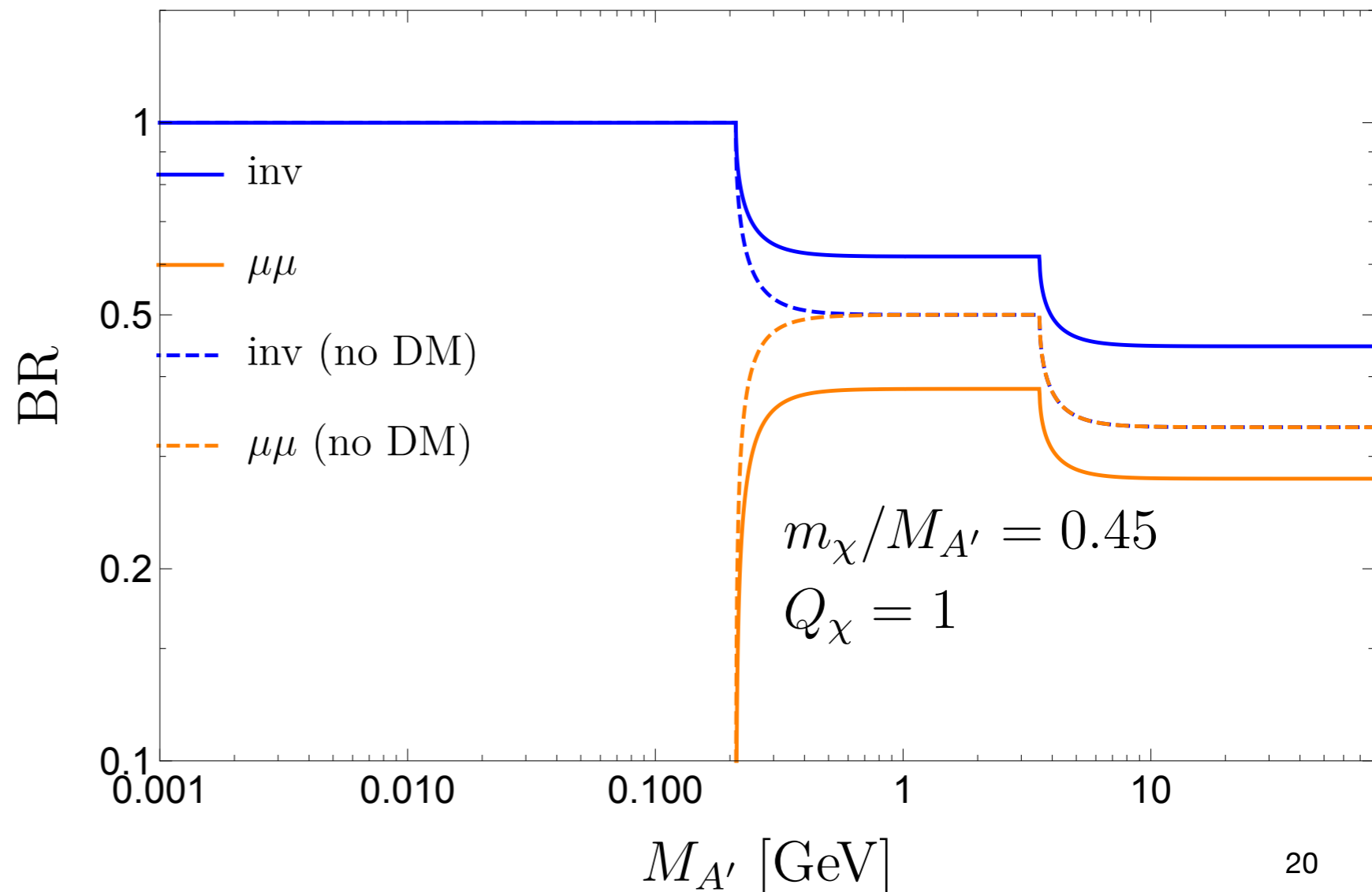
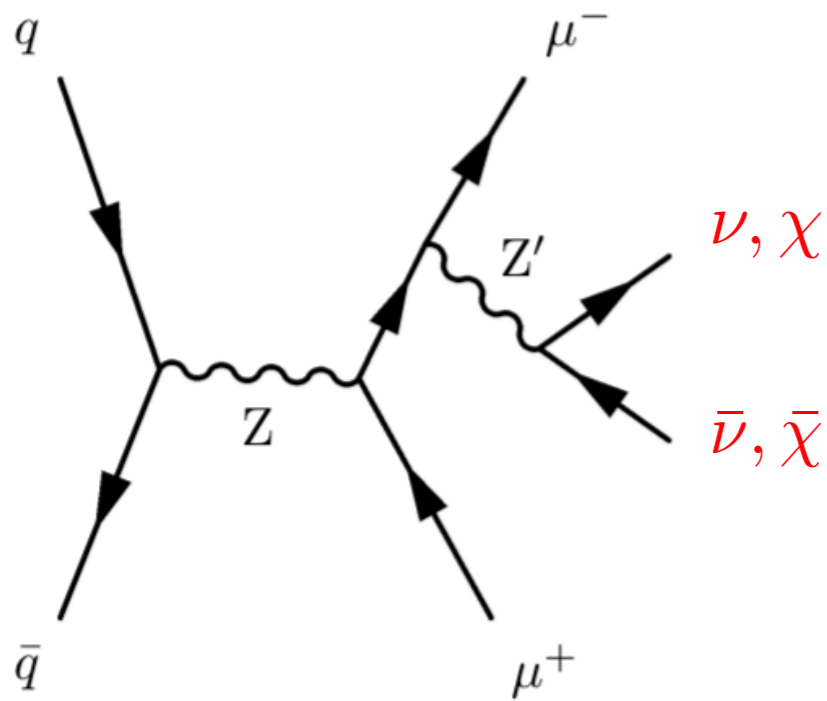


$L_\mu - L_\tau$ DM – future sensitivity



$L_\mu - L_\tau$ DM – Smoking gun ?

- A' has sizable invisible branching fraction!
- Possible smoking gun could be mono- X + MET or **Dimuon + MET** signatures \longrightarrow **is this measurable?**



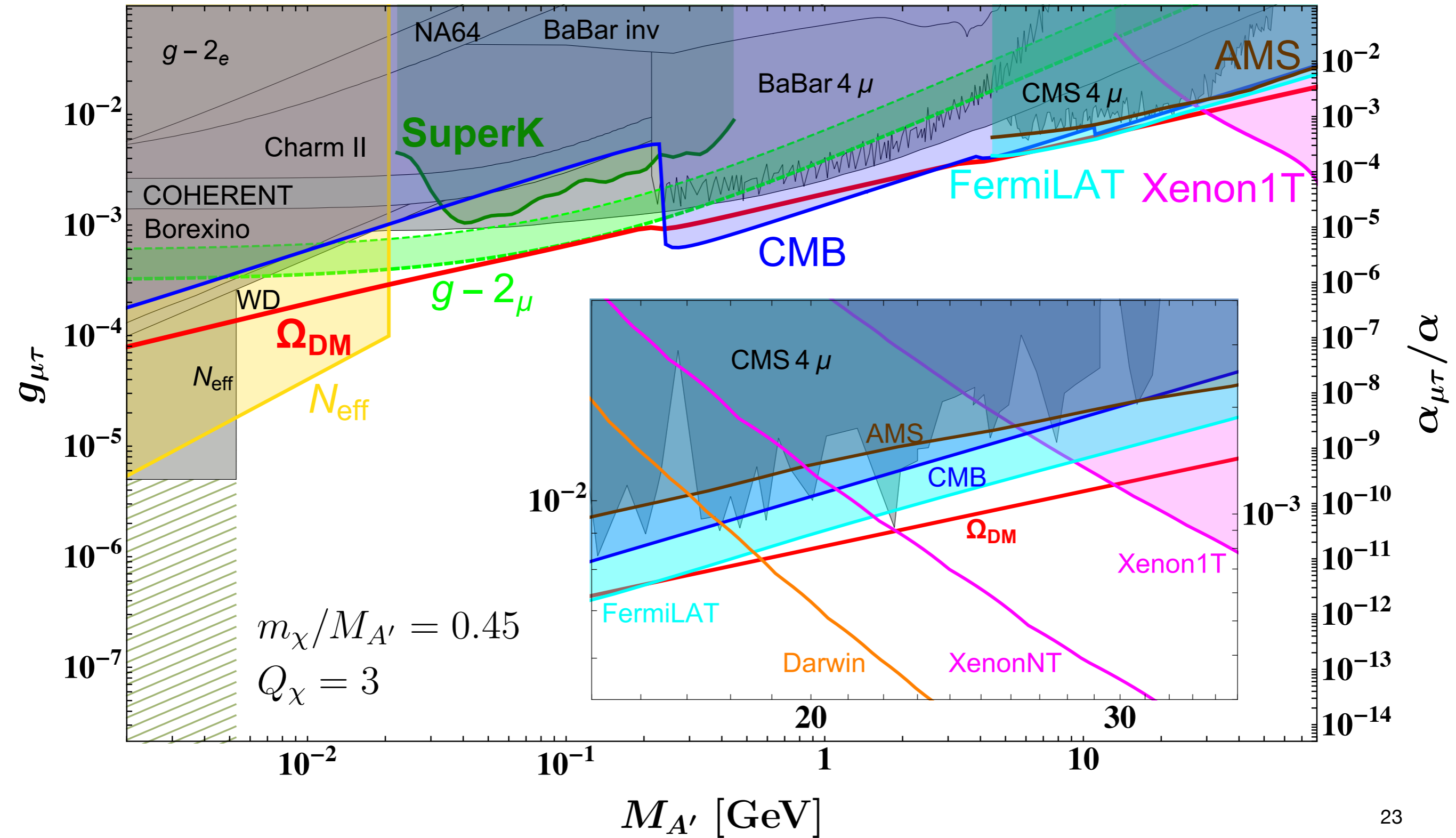
Conclusions

- Gauge couplings to SM particles can **dramatically reshape** the landscape of **HP constraints**.
→ Different experiments are sensitive to different scenarios!
- New **white dwarf limit** improved over previous Borexino constraints and **rules out** part of the $(g - 2)_\mu$ explanation of $L_\mu - L_\tau$.
- Future experiments like Belle-II, SHiP and a dedicated muon run of NA64 could rule out large part of parameter space.
- **Simultaneous explanation** of $(g - 2)_\mu$ and Ω_{DM} in extended $U(1)_{L_\mu - L_\tau}$.

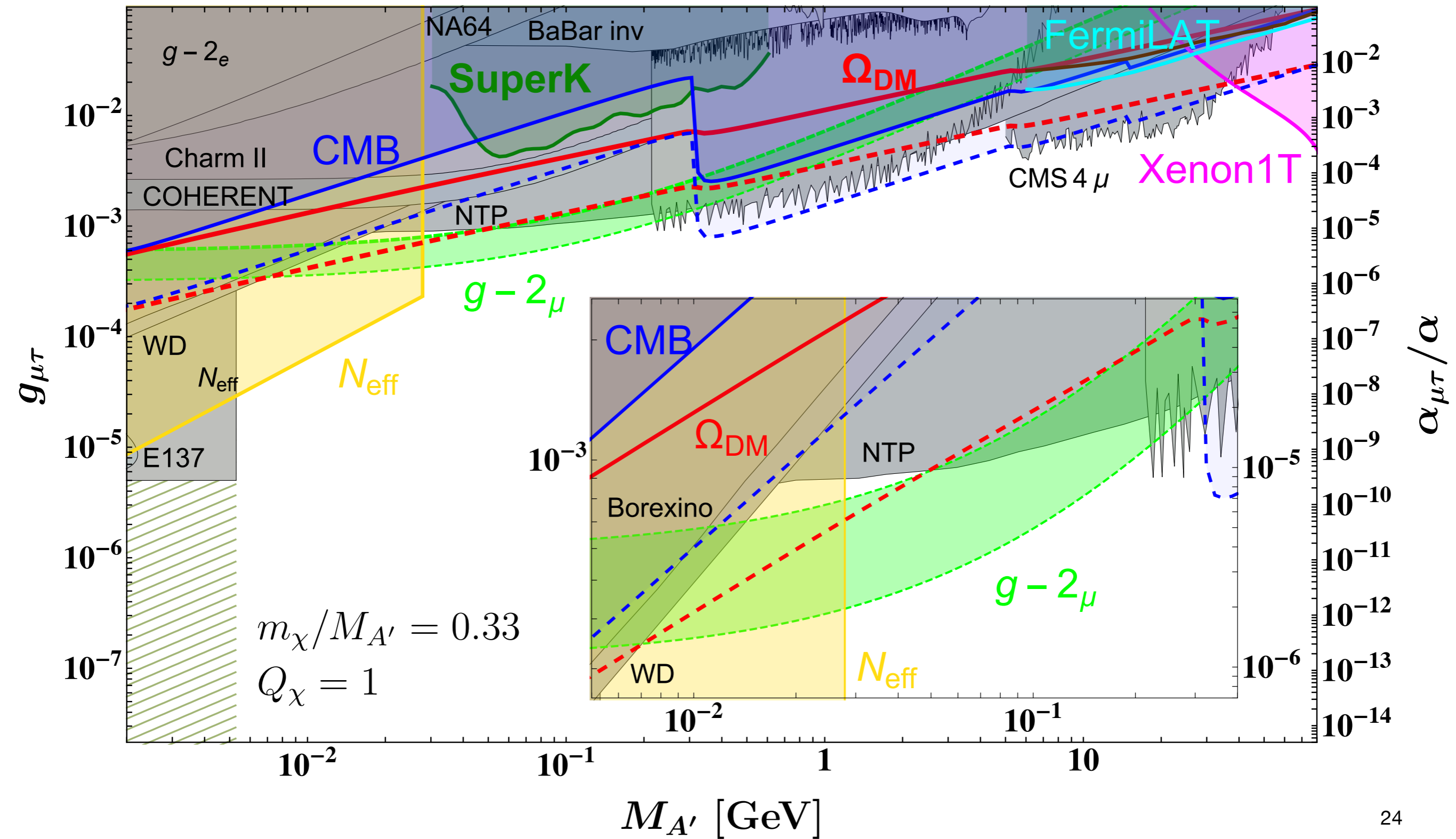
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Backup

$L_\mu - L_\tau$ DM – Non-unit charge

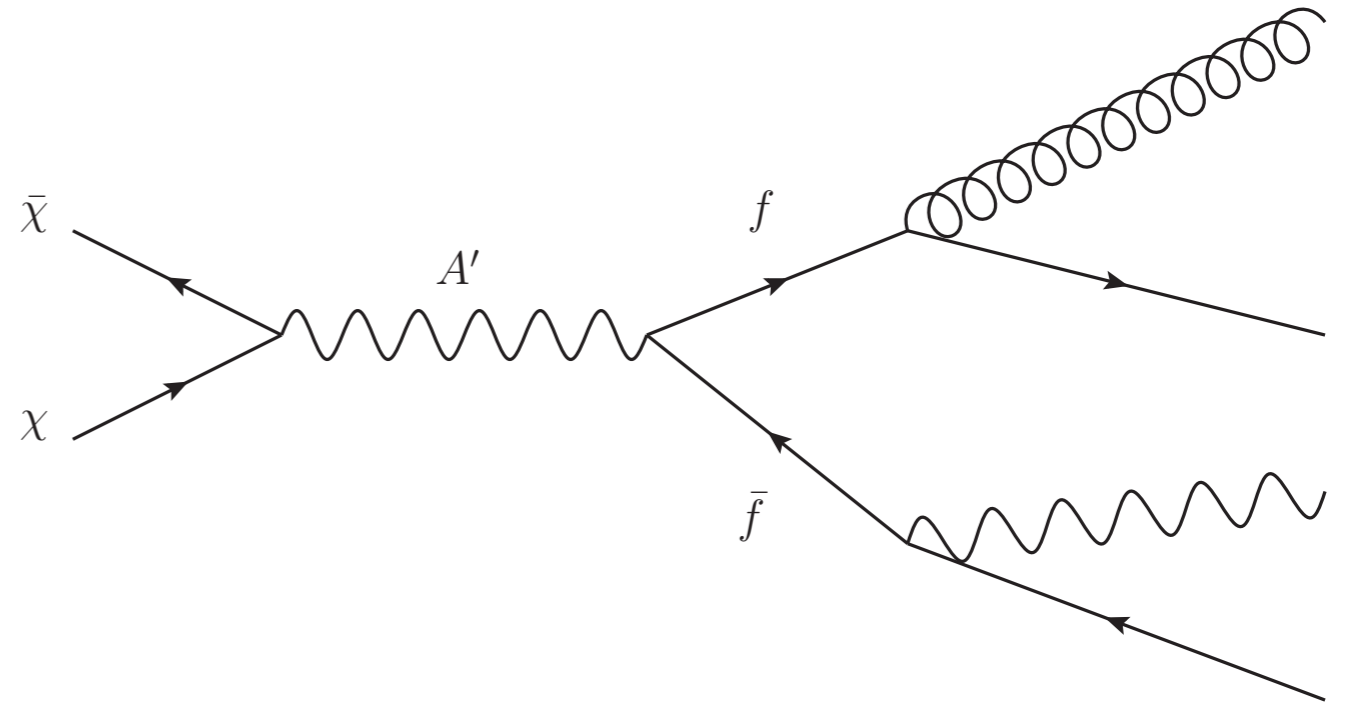


$L_\mu - L_\tau$ DM – Standard Benchmark

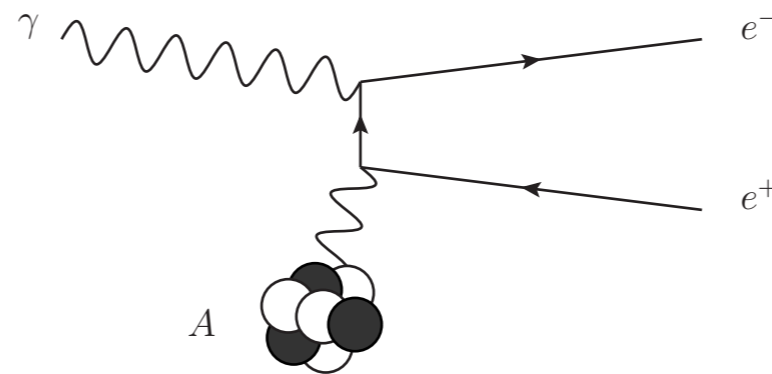
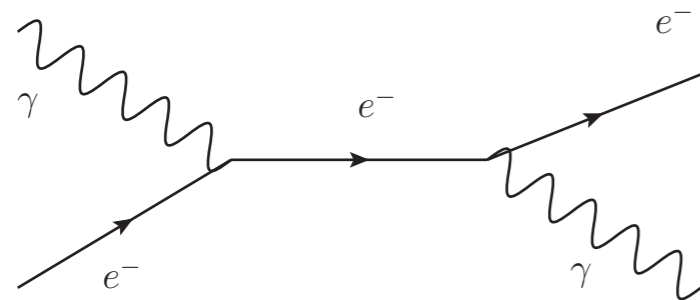


DM annihilation in the early Universe

- DM can inject energy into primordial plasma via cascade decays into secondary e^\pm , photons and neutrinos



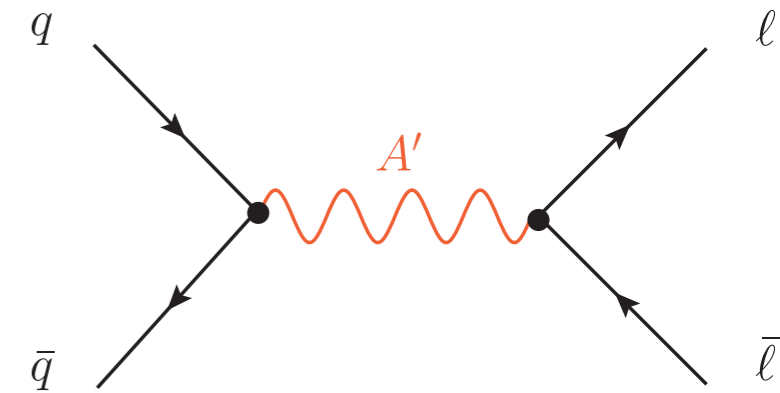
- Secondary particles heat and ionize IGM and alter post-recombination ionization fraction x_e of hydrogen



- Extra ionization leads to broadening of last scattering surface of CMB photons \longrightarrow modification of TT, TE and EE power spectra

Resonance searches

- E.g. at LHC A' can be produced in Drell-Yan.

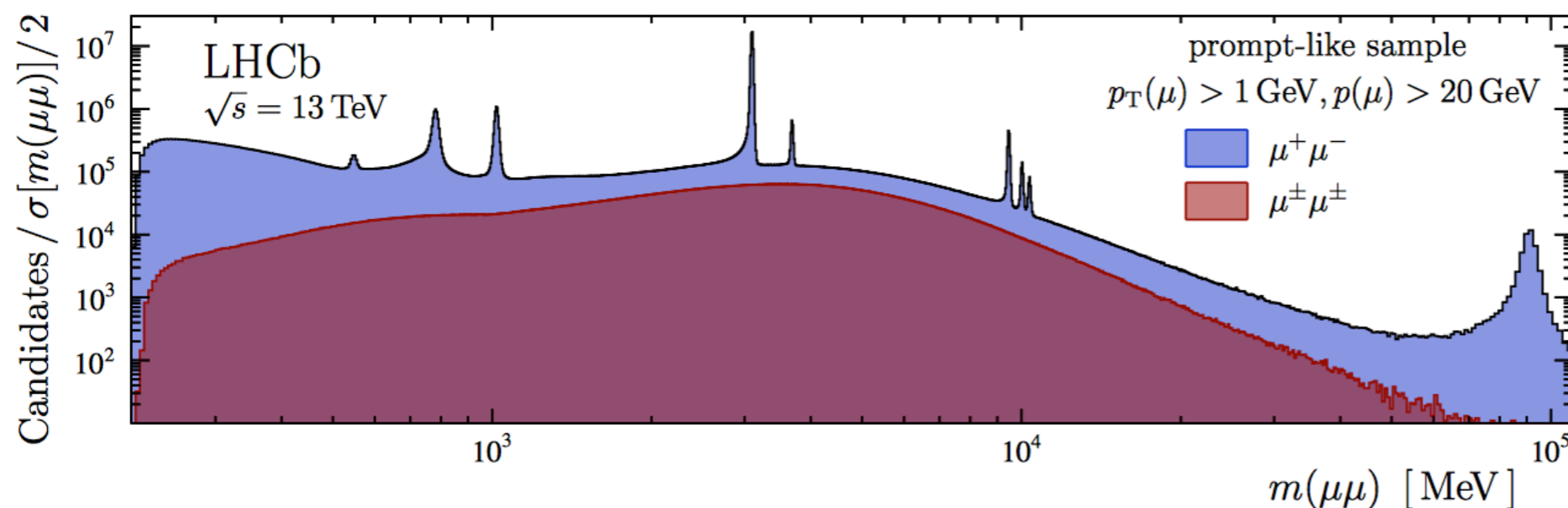


- Number of signal events scales as

$$n_{\text{sig}} \propto \sigma_{\text{prod}} \times BR_{A' \rightarrow \ell\ell} \approx \frac{\epsilon^2}{M_{A'}^2} BR_{A' \rightarrow \ell\ell}$$

- Obtain upper limit n_{lim} from profile-likelihood of binned dilepton spectrum:

$$\Rightarrow n_{\text{sig}} \leq n_{\text{lim}} \quad @ \quad 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$



White dwarf cooling

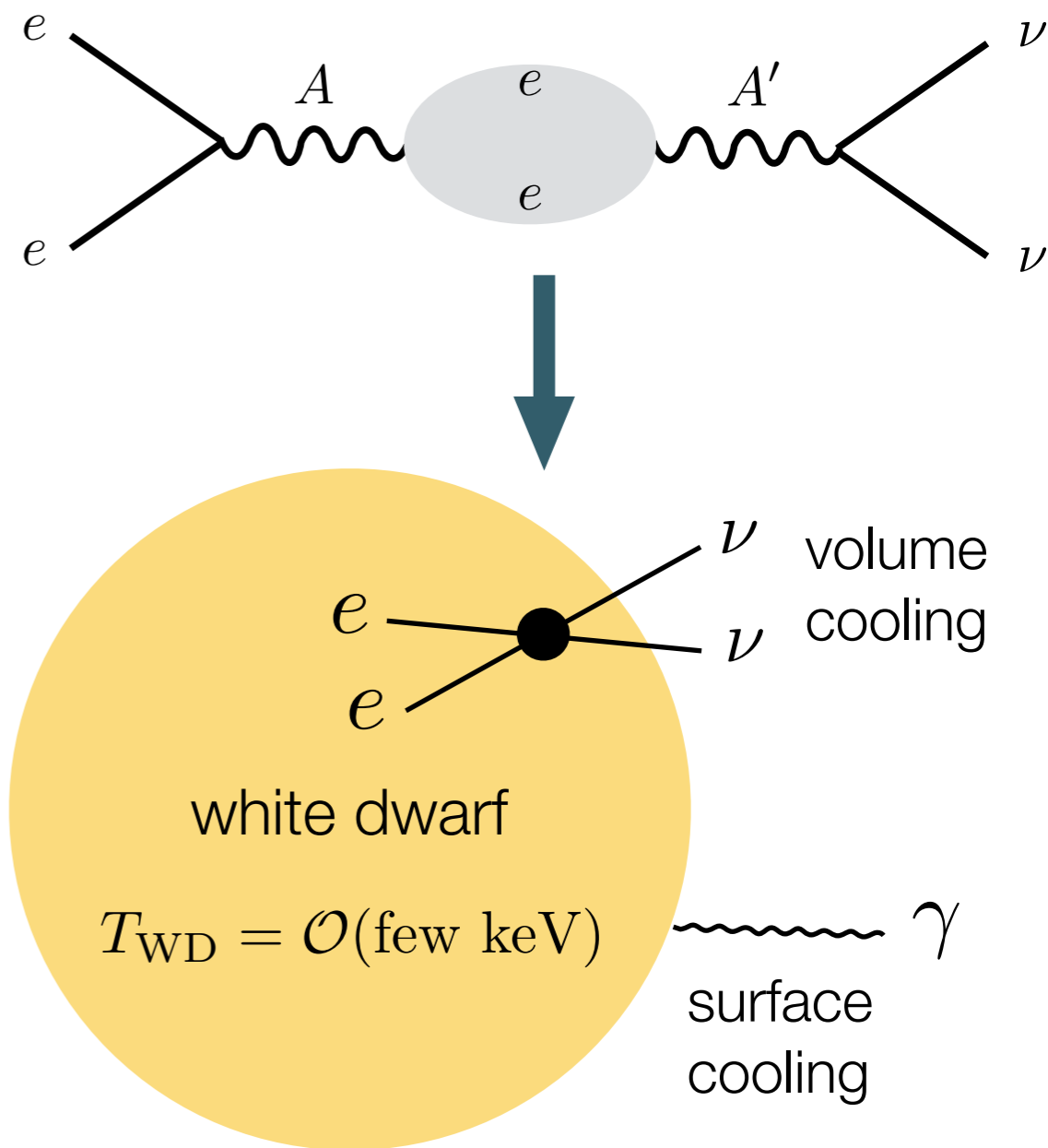
- Hidden photons can modify plasmon decay and generate extra neutrino cooling of white dwarfs.
- A limit can be set on the Wilson coefficient of the operator

$$\mathcal{L} = C_{\text{WD}} (\bar{\nu} \gamma_{\mu} P_L \nu) (\bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} e)$$

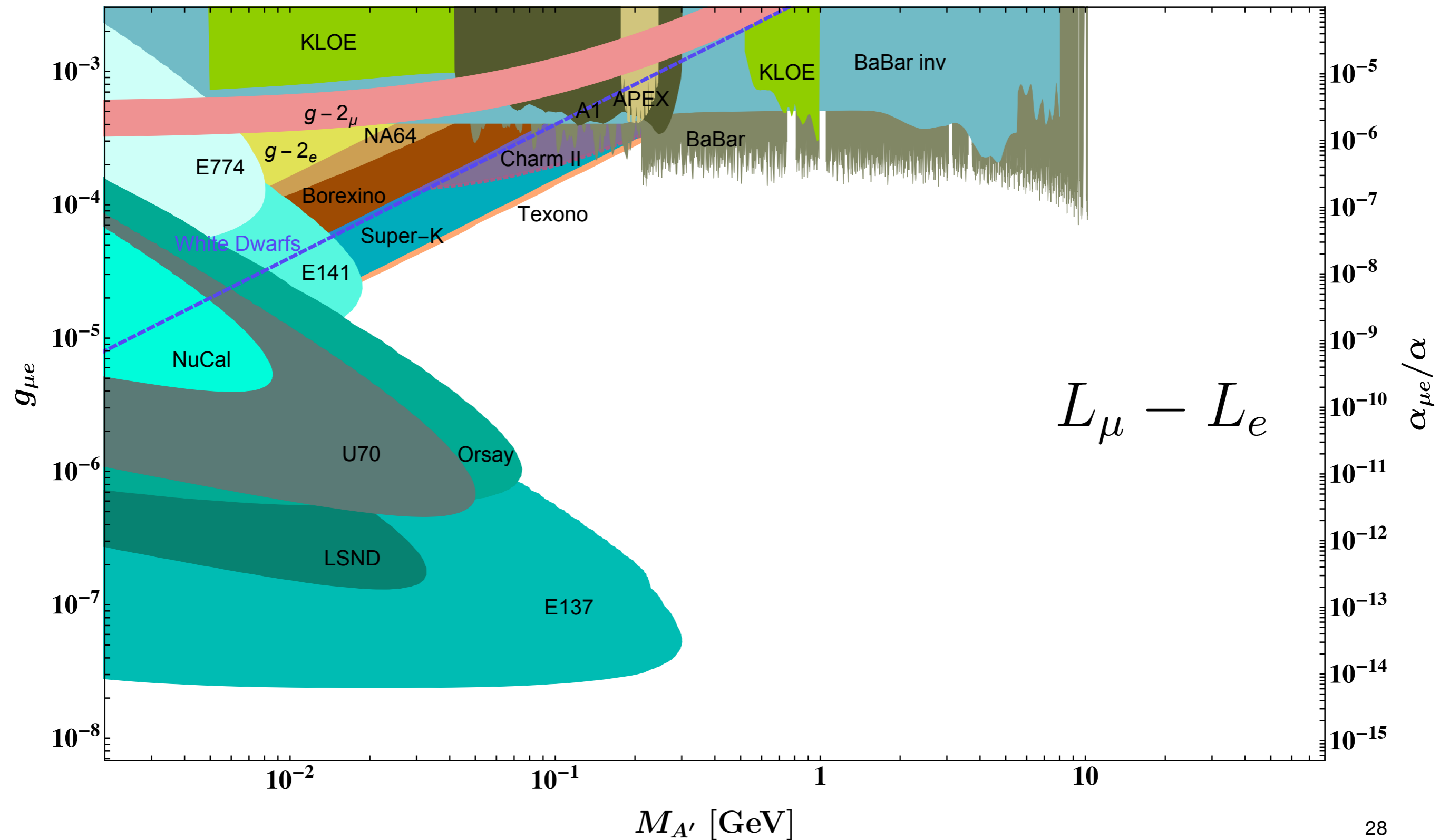
where for a hidden photon

$$C_{\text{WD}} = \frac{N_{\nu} 4\pi}{3M_{A'}^2} \alpha' Q'_e$$

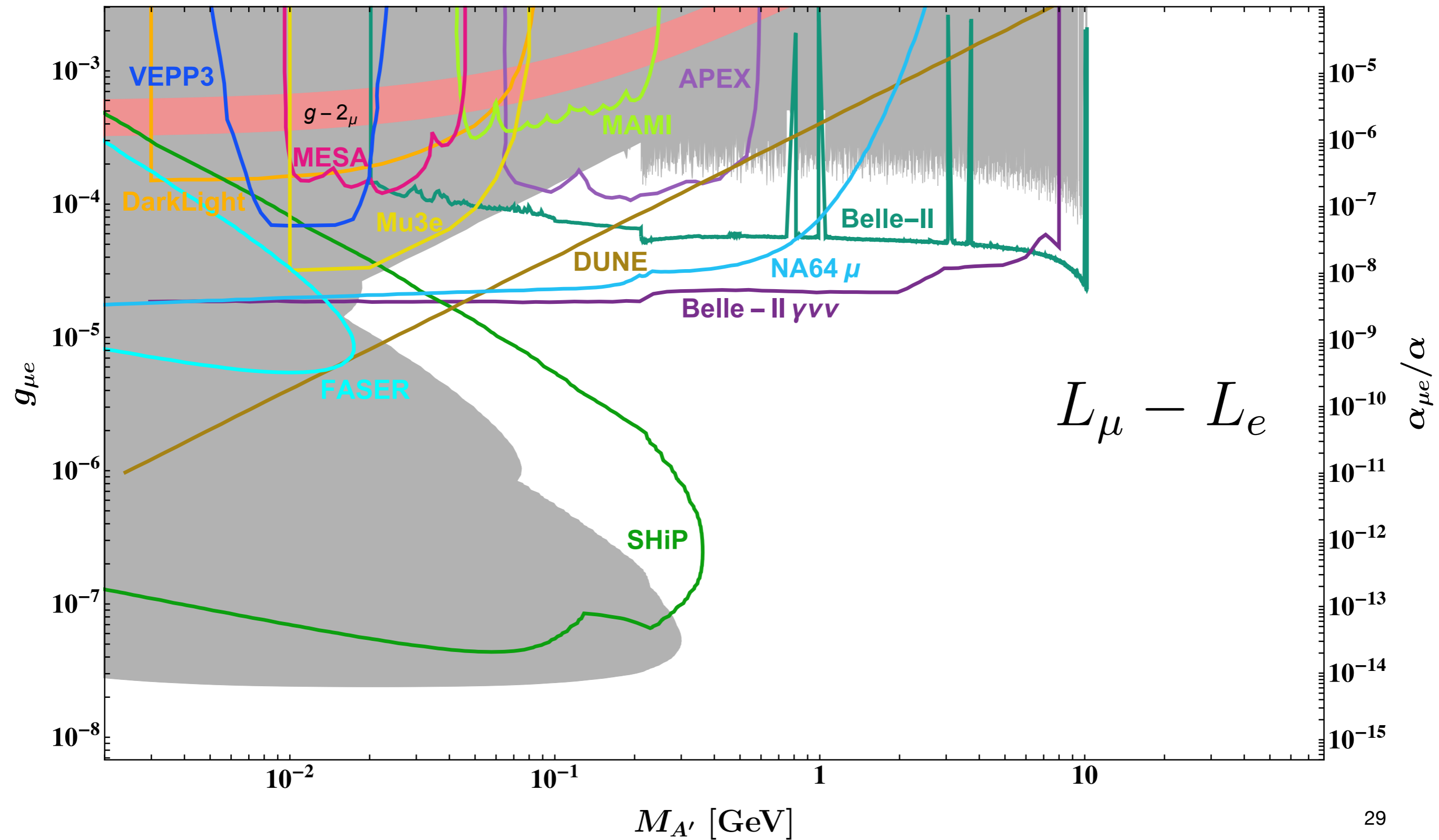
$$\frac{1.12 \times 10^{-5}}{\text{GeV}^2} < C_{\text{WD}} < \frac{4.50 \times 10^{-3}}{\text{GeV}^2}$$



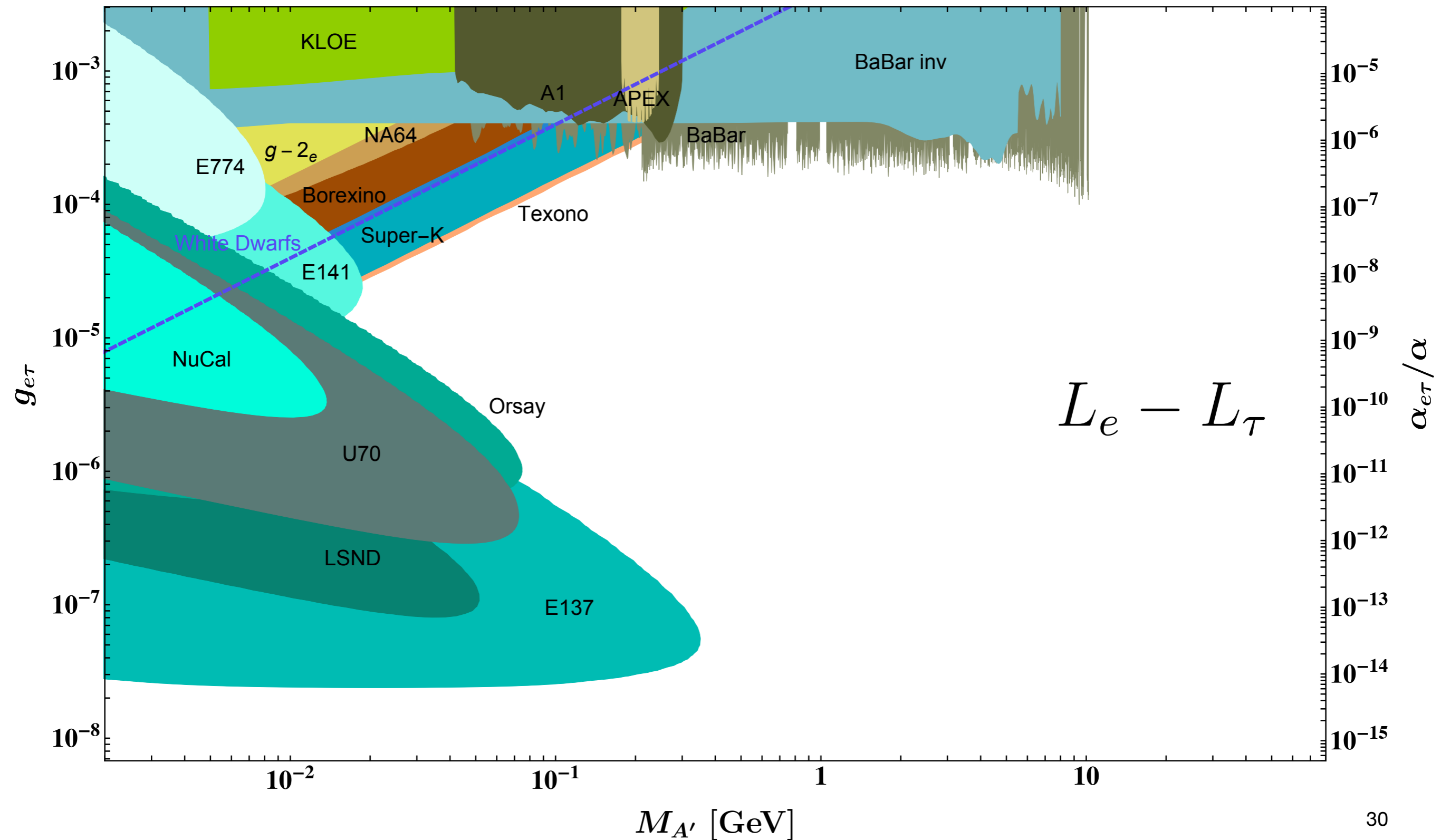
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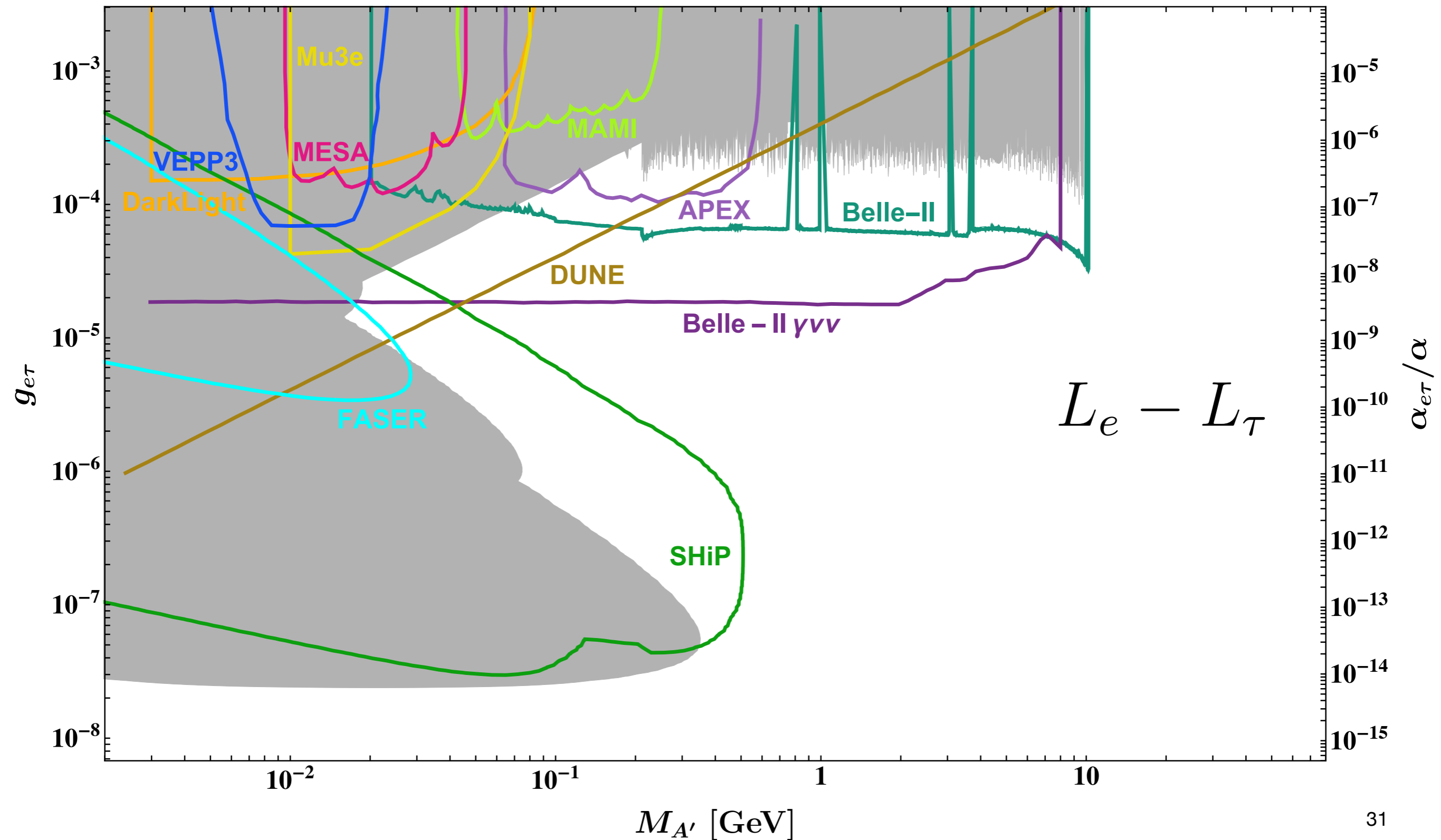
$L_\mu - L_e$ - future sensitivity



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Remark: GUT

Why these four groups?

- Study scenarios where U(1) can be remainder of broken flavor group

$$G_{\text{GUT}} \rightarrow G_{\text{SM}} \times \cdots \times G_F$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{E.g.: } SO(10) \rightarrow SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L} \\ \text{[Mohapatra, Valle; PRD } \mathbf{34}, 1642] \end{array} \right)$$

- Broken kinetic term will be diagonal

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} \propto X_{\mu\nu}^I X^{I,\mu\nu} \rightarrow G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu} + \cdots + B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + F'_{\mu\nu} F'^{\mu\nu}$$

- Kinetic mixing generated **only radiatively** after symmetry breaking!