

# PROSPECTS FOR ALPs SEARCHES

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# PADME PHYSICS: looking for ...

**DARK PHOTON:** vector particle coming from new extra U(1).  
Coupled with SM by mixing with SM photon or vector  
interaction with fermions.

M. Raggi & V. Kozuharov already analysed (looking in the  
PROPOSAL)

## SIMILAR RESEARCH IN PADME FOR

**AXION-LIKE PARTICLE:** pseudo-scalar particle as axion but alp  
mass and decay constant are independent parameters  
because not any CP strong violation to solve.

# ALP Analysis

Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}g_{a\gamma\gamma}F_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} - ig_{aee}m_e a\bar{\psi}\gamma^5\psi$$

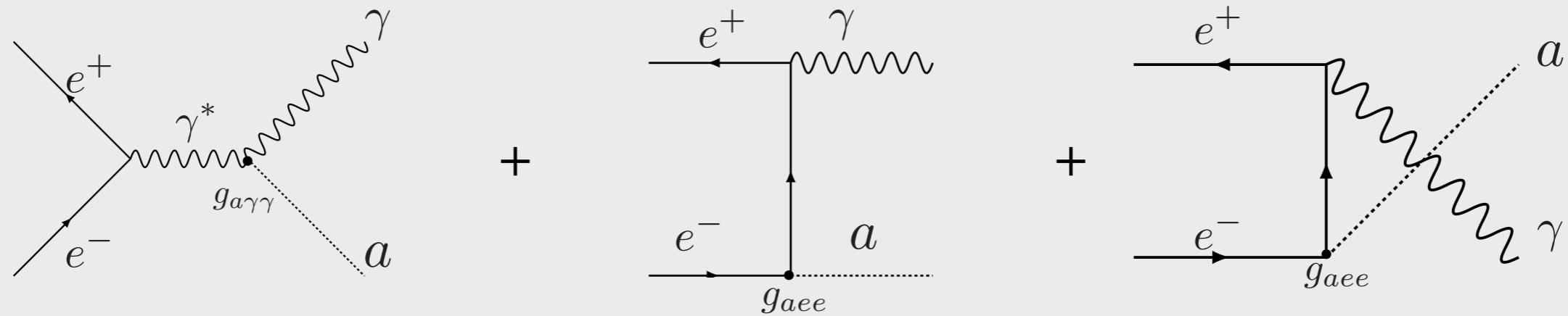
electron mass

Two type of processes studied for PADME analysis:

- Production of alp-photon:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow a\gamma$
- Production photon-photon:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

# Annihilation into alp-photon

Cross-section  $e^+e^- \rightarrow a\gamma$



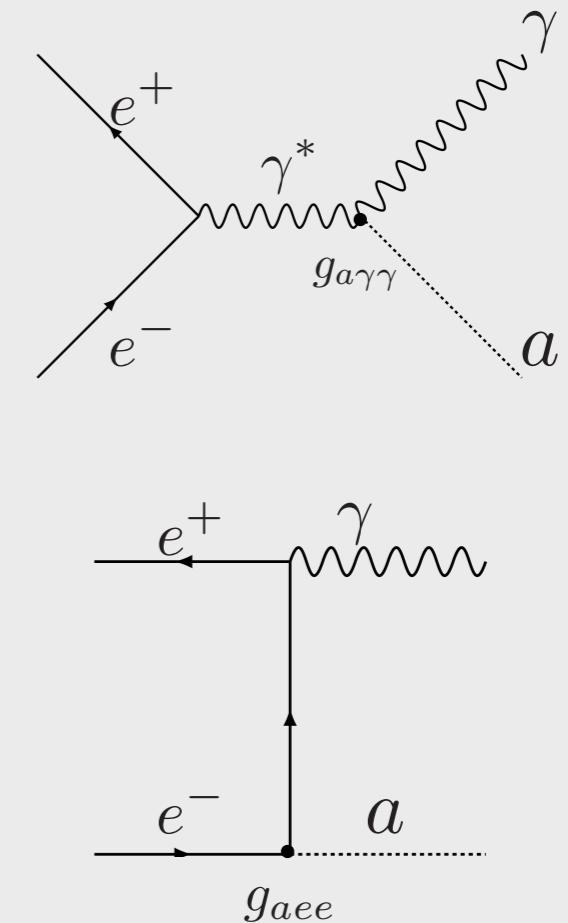
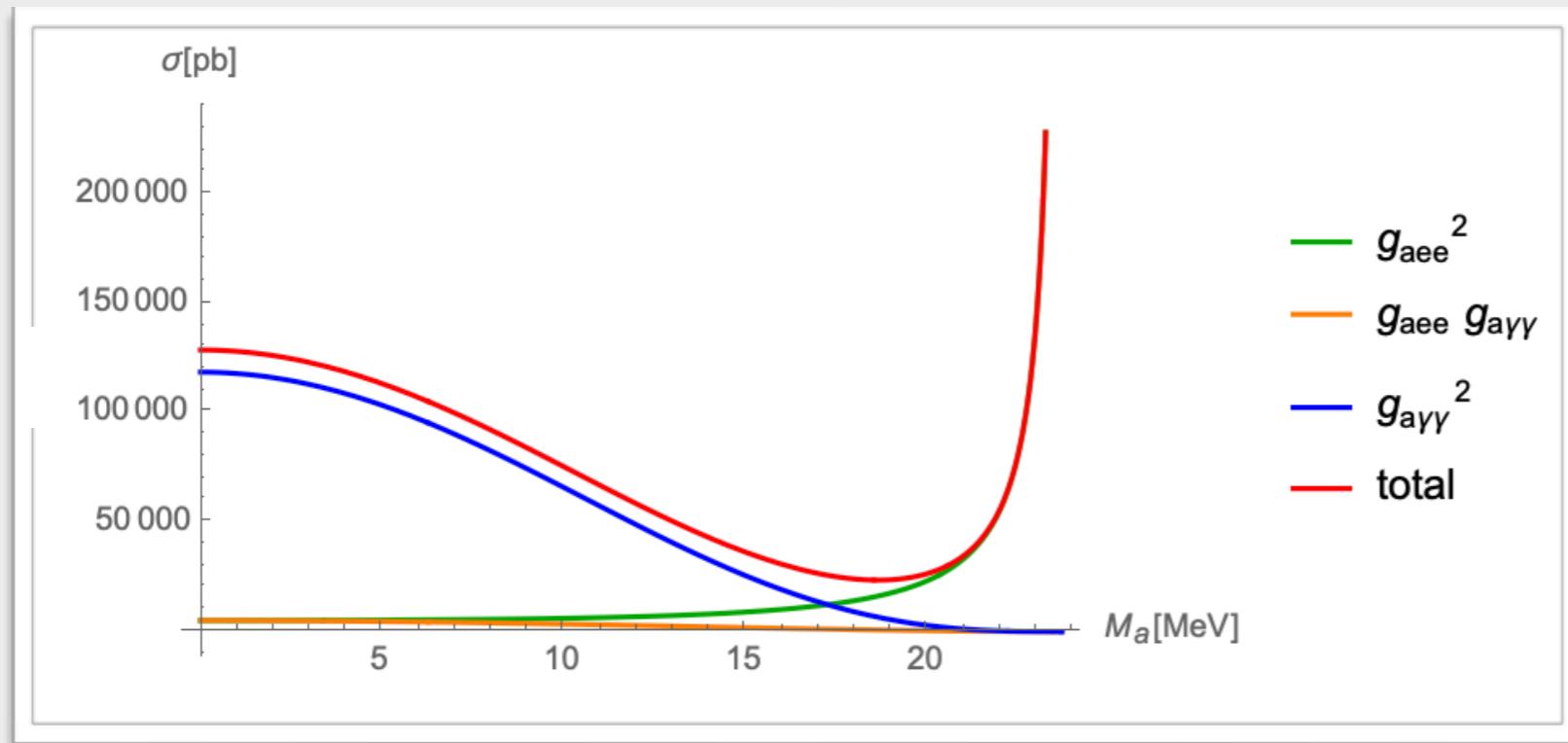
FREE PARAMETERS to test:  $m_a, g_{aee}, g_{a\gamma\gamma}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma = & \alpha g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 \frac{(s + 2m_e^2)(s - m_a^2)^3}{24 \beta s^4} + \alpha g_{aee}^2 m_e^2 \frac{-2m_a^2 \beta s + (s^2 + m_a^4 - 4m_a^2 m_e^2) \log \frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}{2(s - m_a^2)s^2 \beta^2} \\ & + \alpha g_{a\gamma\gamma} g_{aee} m_e^2 \frac{(s - m_a^2)^2}{2 \beta^2 s^3} \log \frac{1 + \beta}{1 - \beta} \end{aligned}$$

with  $\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_e^2}{s}}$ .  $s = 2m_e(E + m_e)$

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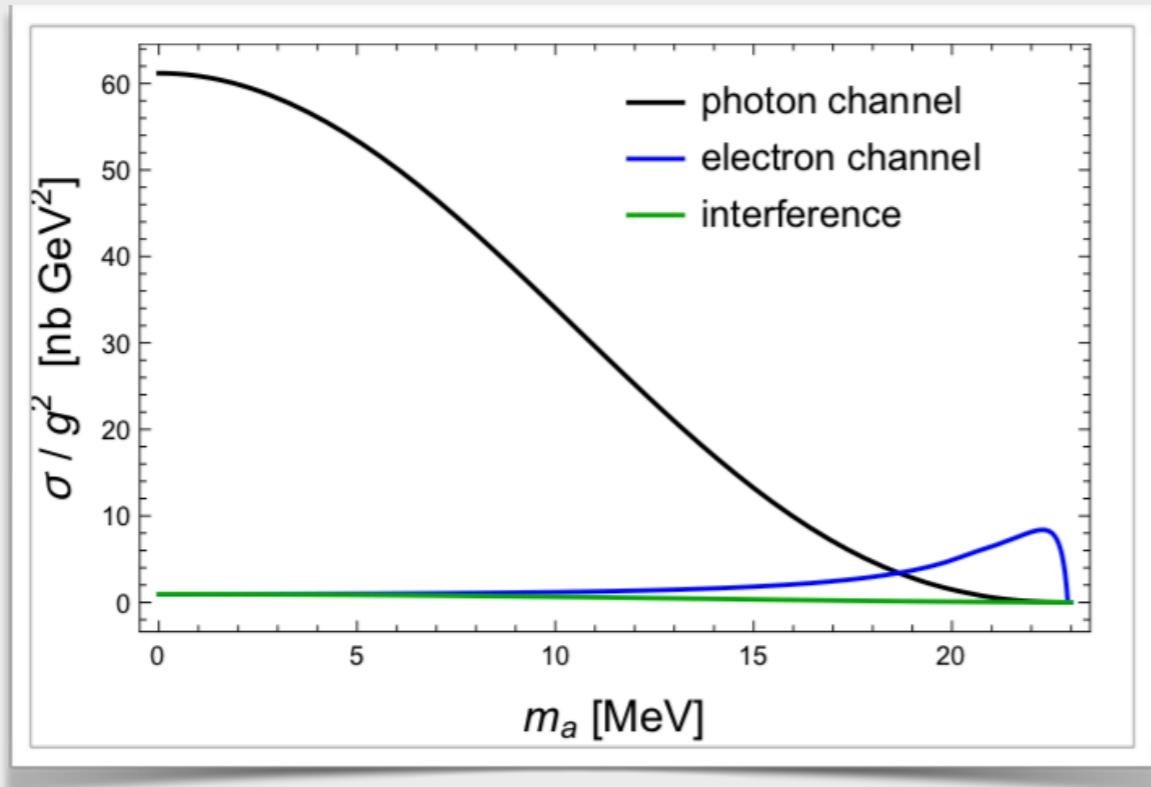
**Cross-section**  $e^+e^- \rightarrow a\gamma$



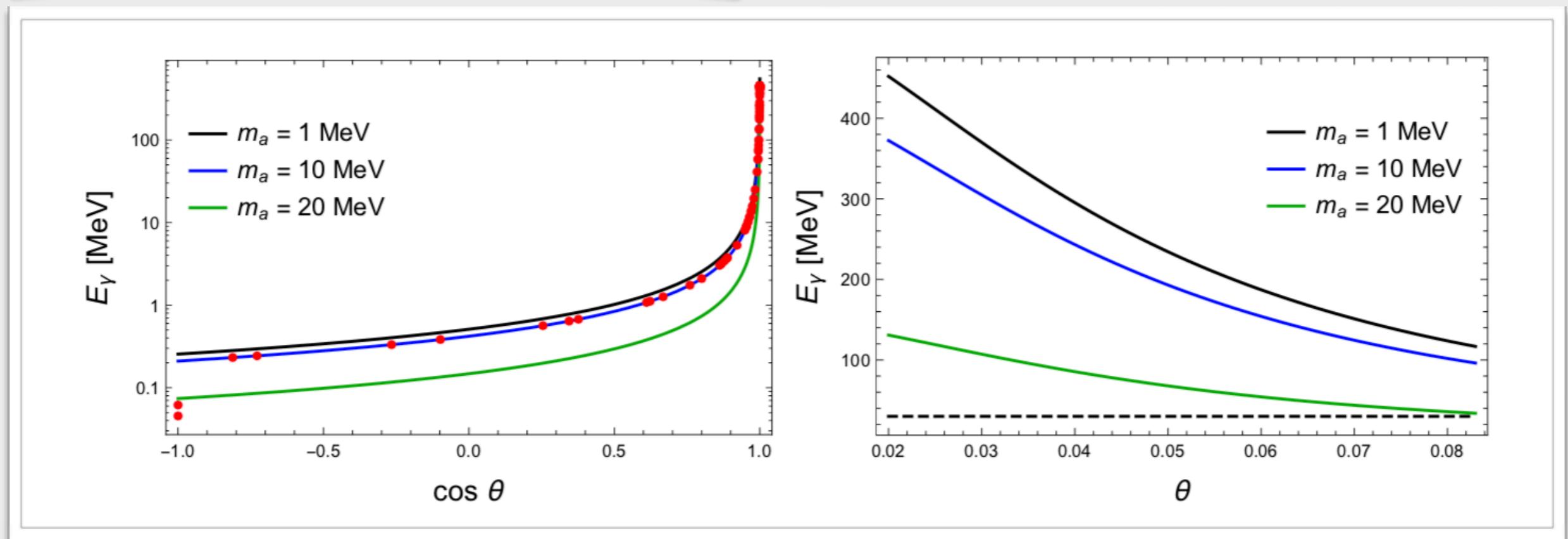
$g_{aXX} = 1$	$M_a = 1 \text{ MeV}$	$M_a = 10 \text{ MeV}$	$M_a = 20 \text{ MeV}$
$\sigma_f(\text{pb})$	5077.77	6074.66	23141.7
$\sigma_\gamma(\text{pb})$	118013	65959.4	2865.08
$\sigma_{int}(\text{pb})$	5053.09	3428.63	423.67
$\sigma_{tot}(\text{pb})$	128144	75462.69	26430.45

$M_a$  alp mass

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Cross-section  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow a\gamma$   
with cuts  $0.02 < \theta < 0.083$  and  
 $E_\gamma > 30$  GeV



# Annihilation into alp-photon

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow a\gamma$$

Estimation of probability that one single positron annihilate in photon-alp

$$P = N_e \sigma_{tot} (cm^2) = 6d_{target} N_a \frac{\rho}{A} \sigma_{tot}$$

#<sub>tot</sub> of e<sup>-</sup> on target                          Avogadro Number  
↓    ↓  
diamond density = 3.5 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
target thickness=100μm                          atomic number= 12 g/mol

$M_a = 1 MeV$	$1.34551 \times 10^{-9}$
$M_a = 10 MeV$	$7.92358 \times 10^{-10}$
$M_a = 20 MeV$	$2.77519 \times 10^{-10}$

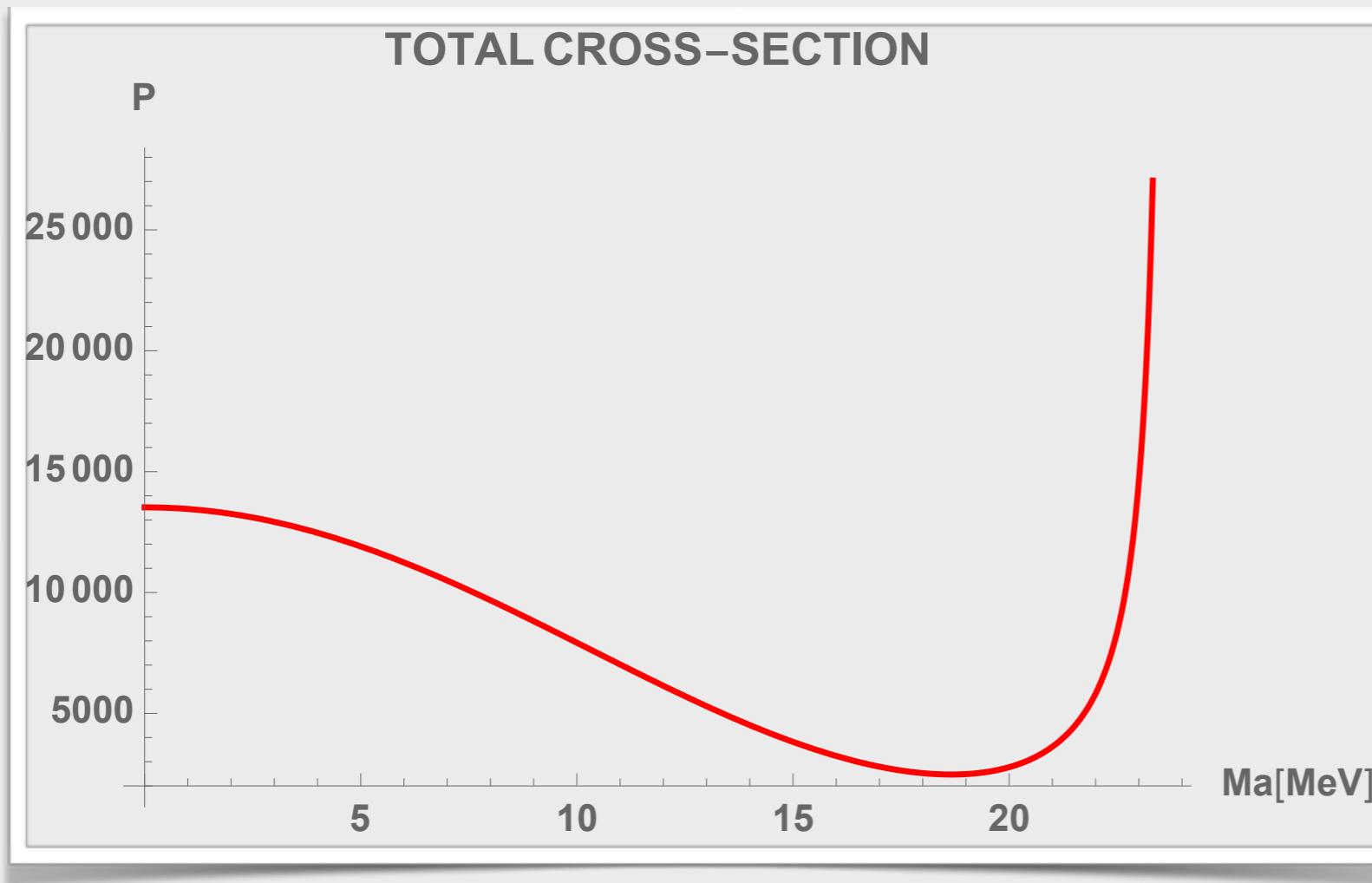
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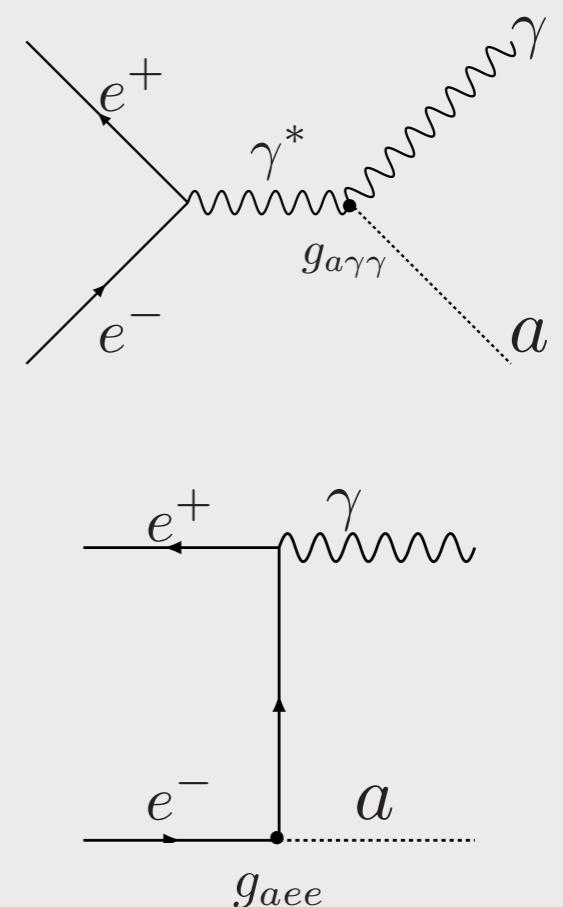
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Estimation of probability that  $10^{13}$  positrons annihilate in photon-alp

**QUESTION: we have  $10^{13}$  Positron On Target?**



$$g_{aXX} = 1 GeV^{-1}$$



# Annihilation into alp-photon

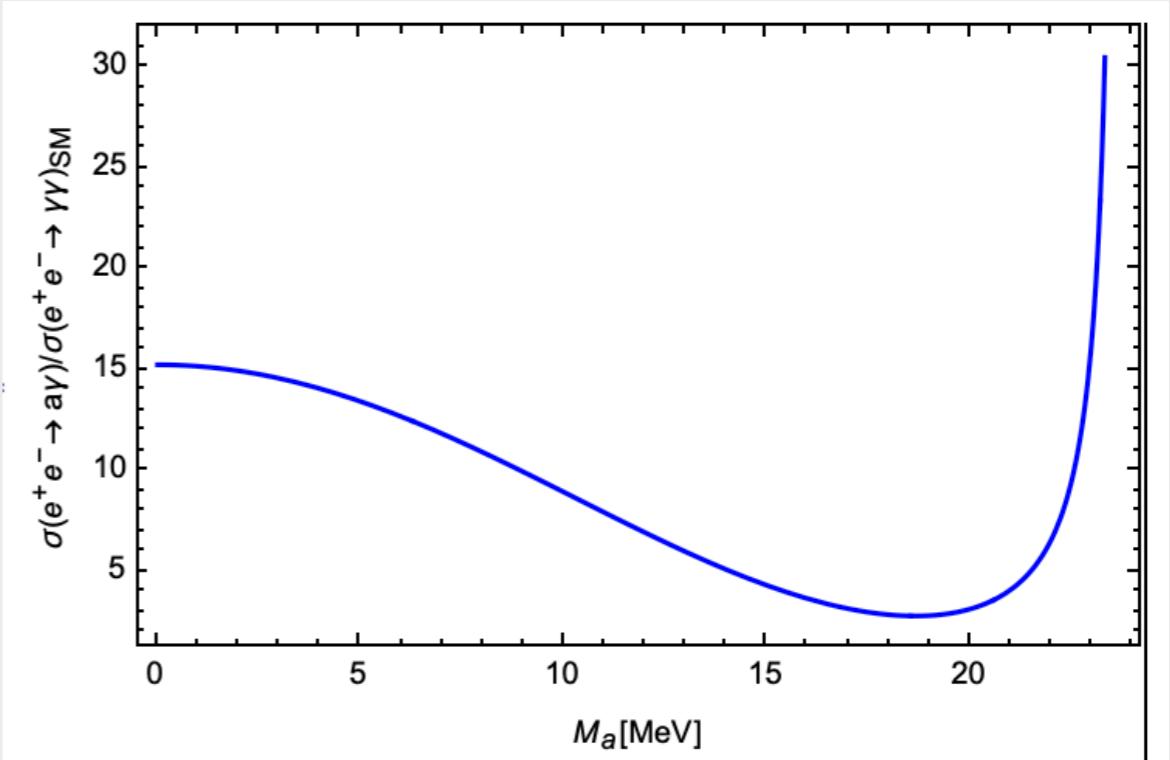
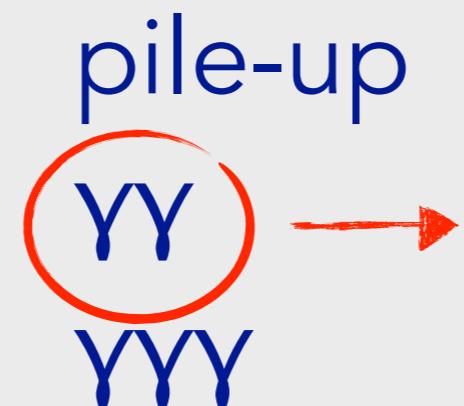
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OBSERVABLE: missing mass as  $A'$

$$M_{\text{miss}}^2 = (P_{e^-} + P_{\text{beam}} - P_\gamma)^2.$$

BACKGROUND: bremsstrahlung

$$g_{aXX} = 1 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$



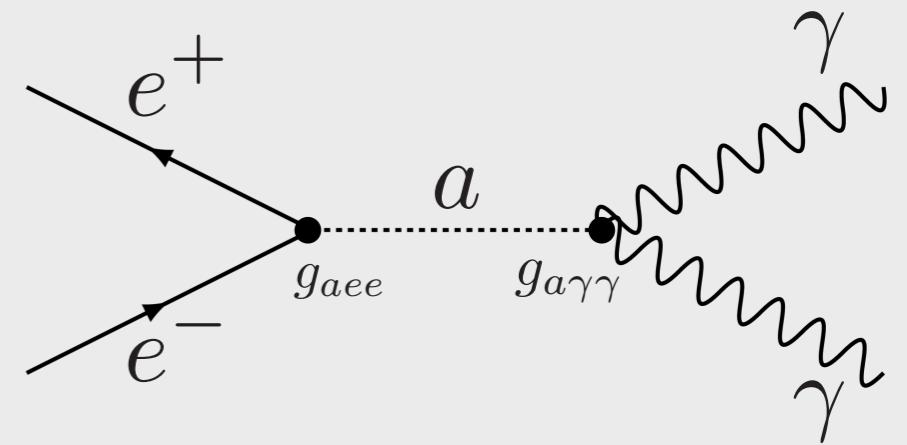
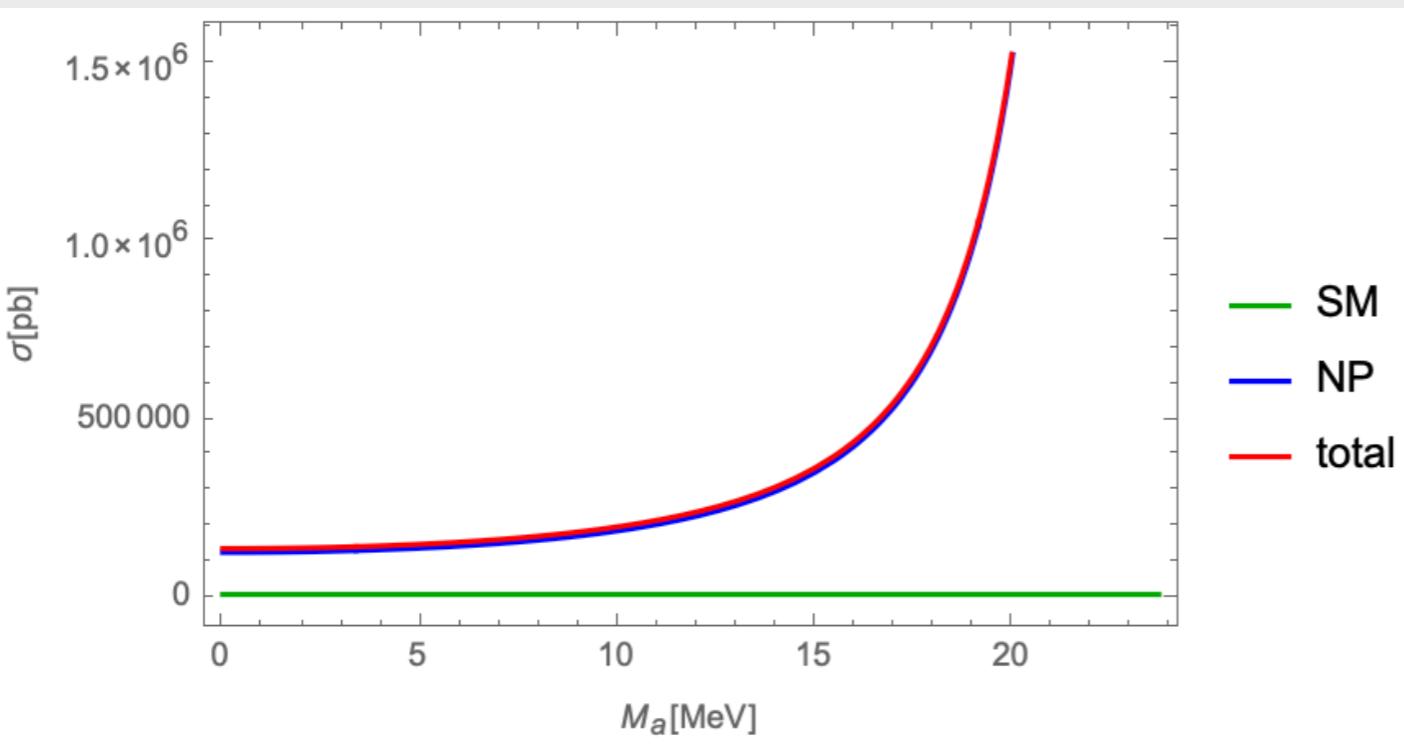
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Cross-section  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\mathcal{M}_{e^+e^-\rightarrow\gamma\gamma}|^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \sum |\mathcal{M}|^2 \\
 &+ 2e^4 \frac{1}{(t-m_e^2)^2(u-m_e^2)^2} [tu(t^2+u^2) + m_e^2 s(t^2+6tu+u^2) + m_e^4(t+u)^2 - 6m_e^8] \xleftarrow{\text{SM}} \\
 &+ e^2 g_{aee} g_{a\gamma\gamma} \frac{m_e^2 s^3}{(s-m_a^2)(t-m_e^2)(u-m_e^2)} \xleftarrow{\text{Mix}} \\
 &+ g_{aee}^2 g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 \frac{m_e^2 s^3}{4(s-m_a^2)^2} \xleftarrow{\text{NP}}
 \end{aligned}$$

The cross section in the  $E_e \gg m_e, m_a$  limit is

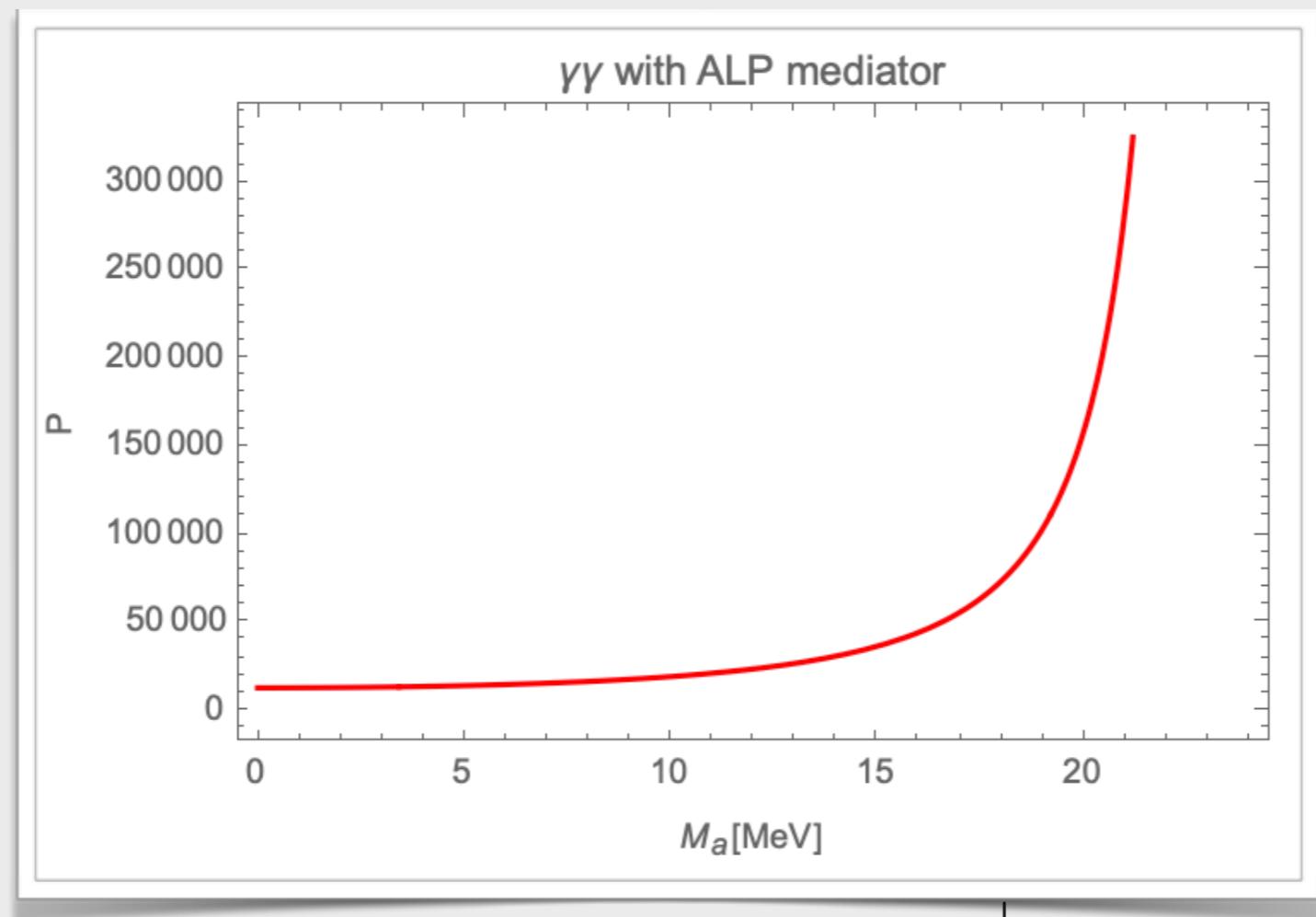
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \Big|_{E_e \gg m_e, m_a} \simeq \frac{1}{4E_e m_e (1 - \cos\theta)} \left[ \alpha^2 + \frac{\alpha}{8\pi} g_{aee} g_{a\gamma\gamma} m_e^2 + \frac{1}{64\pi^2} g_{aee}^2 g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 \frac{m_e^4}{1 - \cos\theta} \right]$$



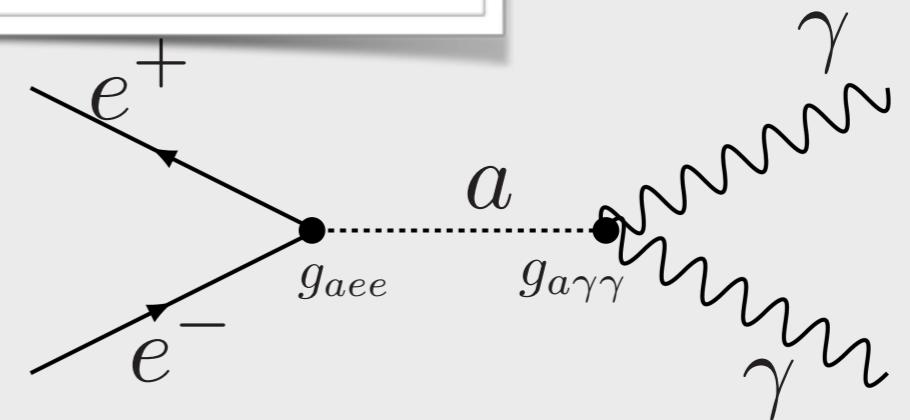
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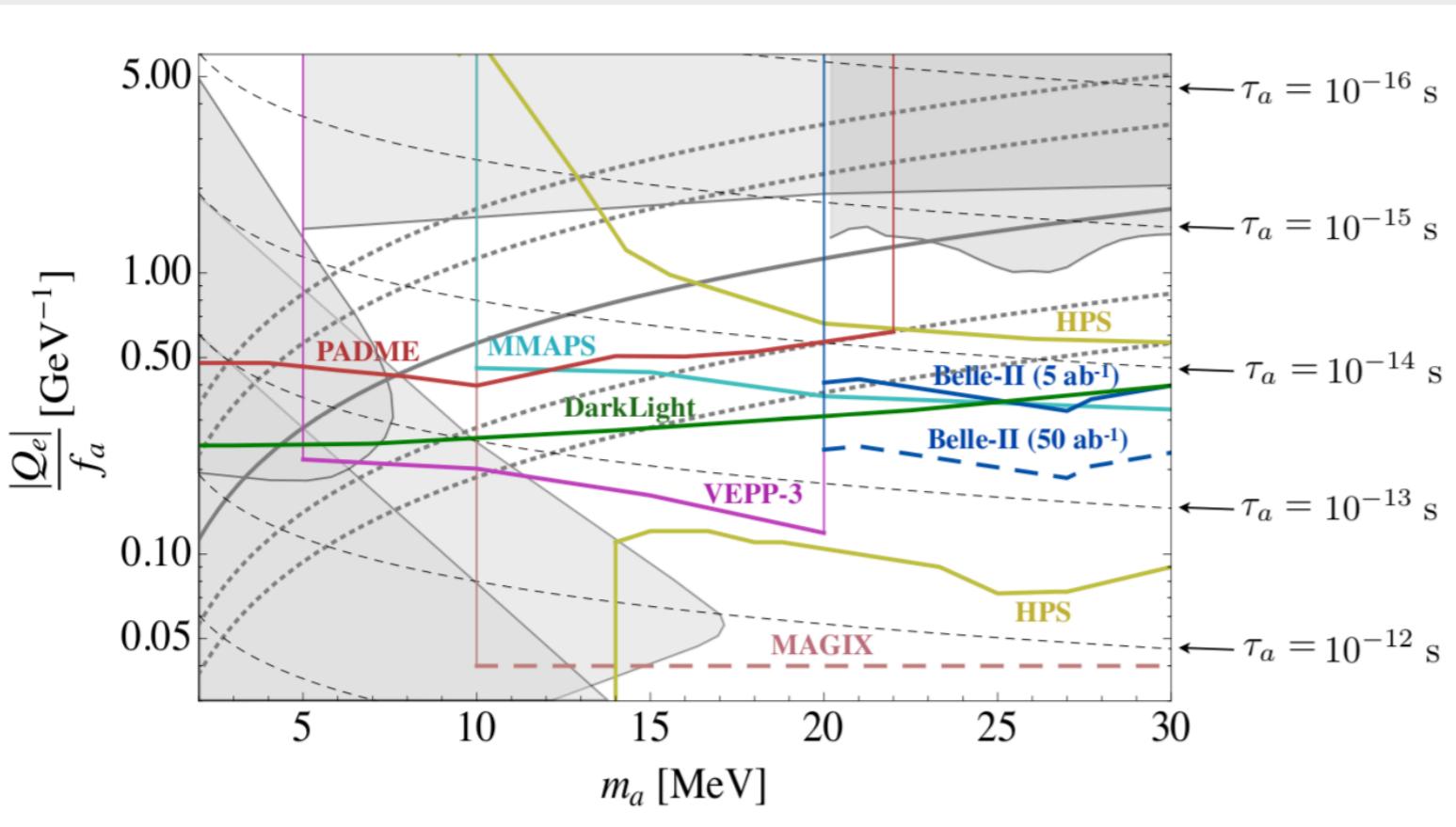
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# CONSTRAINTS FOR COUPLING



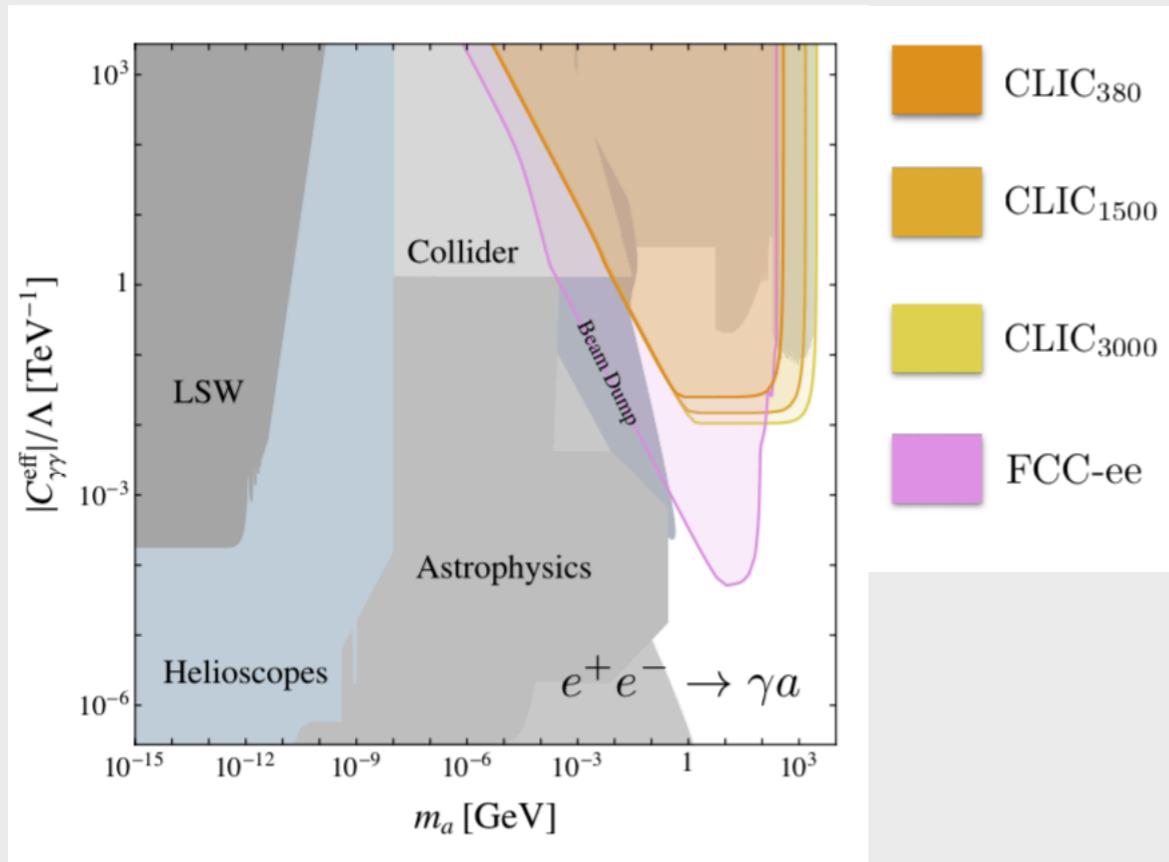
paper on  $g_{aee}$  coupling constraints ref. Alves and Weiner JHEP07(2018)092

In Fig. 2, we translate the projected reach of several planned dark photon experiments into the MeV axion parameter space, using the following rule of thumb relating the dark photon kinetic mixing parameter  $\epsilon_{A'}$  and the axion-electron coupling that would yield comparable signal strengths:

$$\epsilon_{A'}^2 \alpha \sim \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( \frac{Q_e}{f_a} m_e \right)^2. \quad (7.17)$$

We emphasize that (7.17) is only approximate, since the angular dependence of pseudoscalar cross-sections differs from that of vectors. Fig. 2 includes ongoing and proposed dark photon searches via  $e^+e^-$  annihilation (VEPP-3 at BINP [155, 156], PADME in Frascati [157], MMAAPS at Cornell [151] and Belle-II at KEK [158]), as well as dark photon bremsstrahlung from electrons scattering off of heavy fixed targets (HPS [159] and DarkLight [160, 161] at

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Bauer, Heilas, Neubert, Thamm 1808.10323

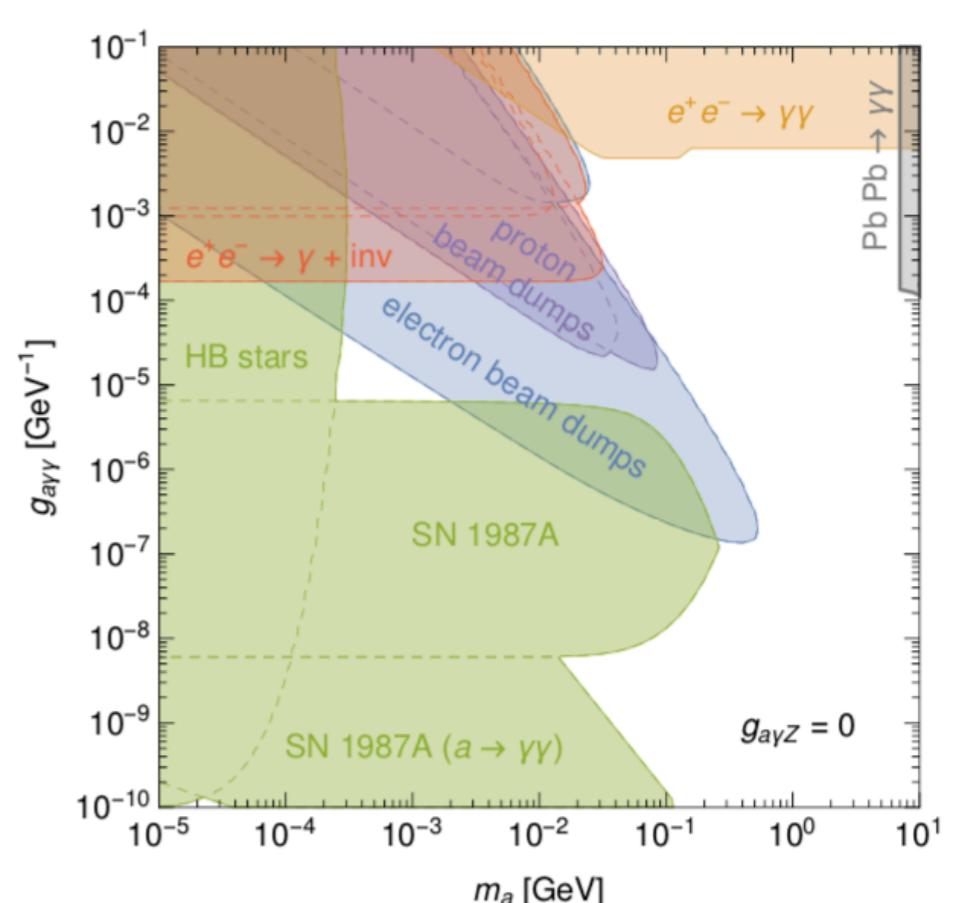
Constraints on  $g_{a\gamma\gamma}$

JHEP12(2017)094 Dolan, Ferber, Kahlohefer and Schmidt-Hoberg

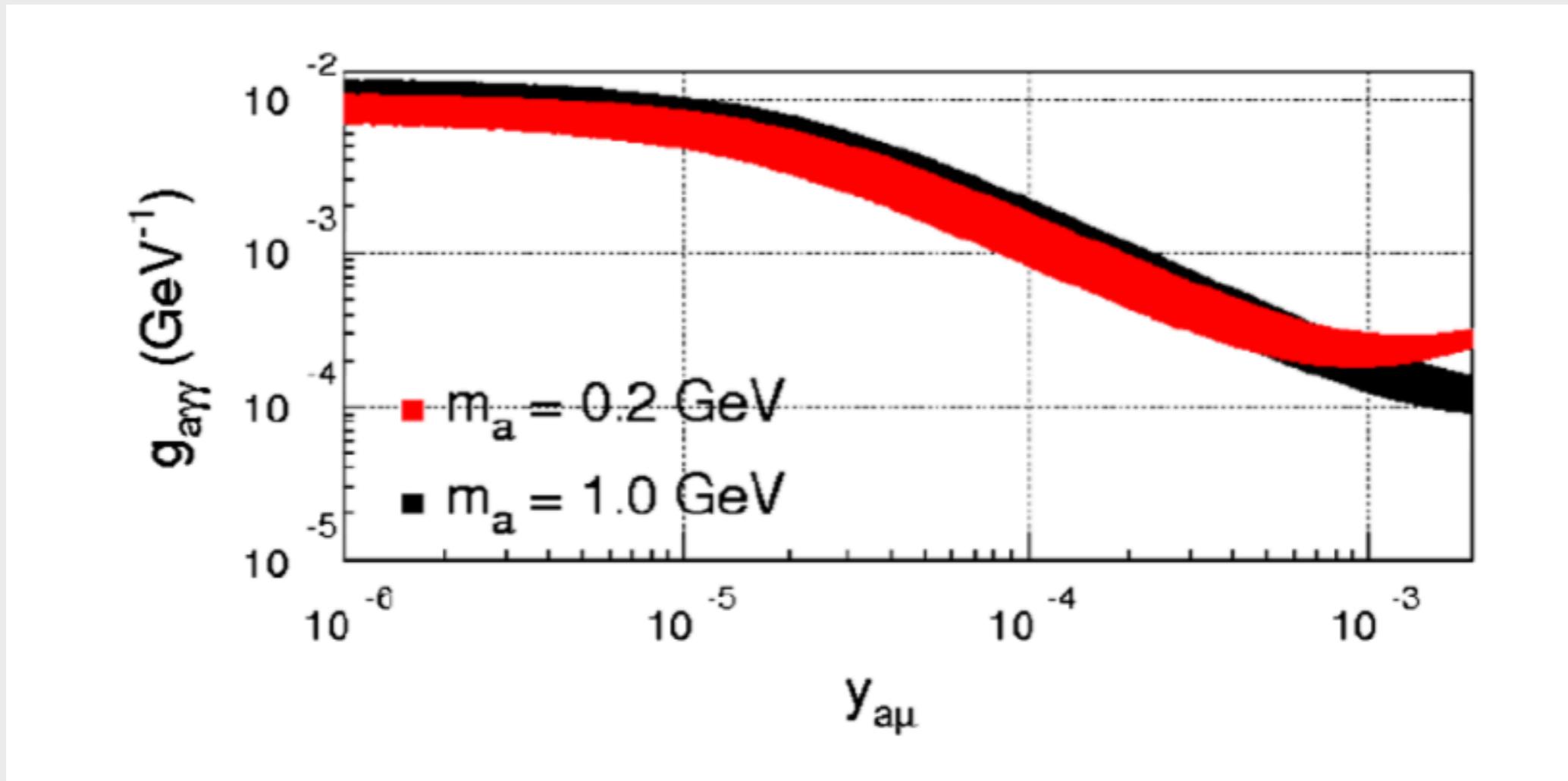
The BaBar analysis considers  $-0.6 < \cos\theta < 0.6$  for  $m_{A'} > 5.5 \text{ GeV}$  and  $-0.4 < \cos\theta < 0.6$  for  $m_{A'} < 5.5 \text{ GeV}$ . By integrating the respective differential cross sections for ALP production and Dark Photon production over these ranges we obtain the fiducial cross section including geometric acceptance. Using these numbers, we can translate bounds on Dark Photons into the ALP parameter space under the assumption that all other selection cuts have the same efficiency for the two models. For very small masses of the invisibly decaying particle, we find that the translation is given by

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} = 1.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{10^{-3}} \right). \quad (3.3)$$

Repeating this calculation for finite ALP masses and taking into account the probability that the ALP decays before leaving the detector (see above) using a detector length of  $L_D = 275 \text{ cm}$  [59], we can then reinterpret the full BaBar bound in the context of ALPs.

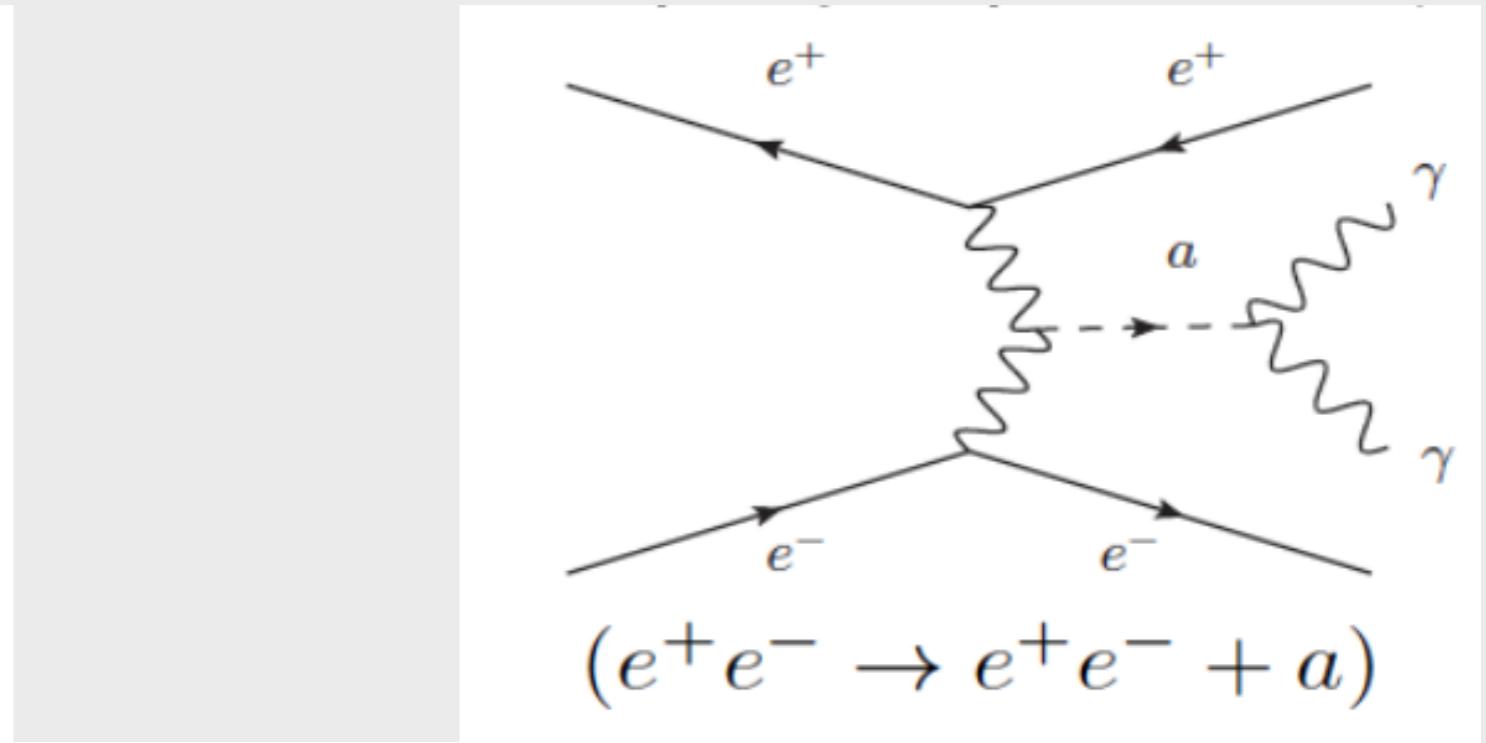
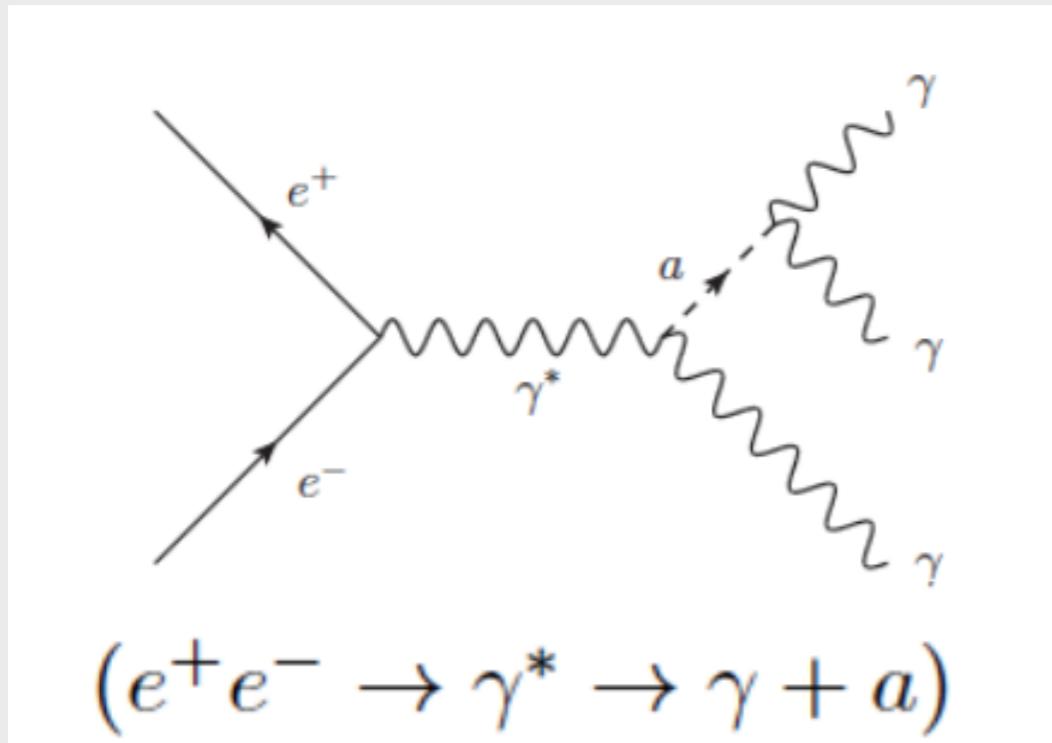


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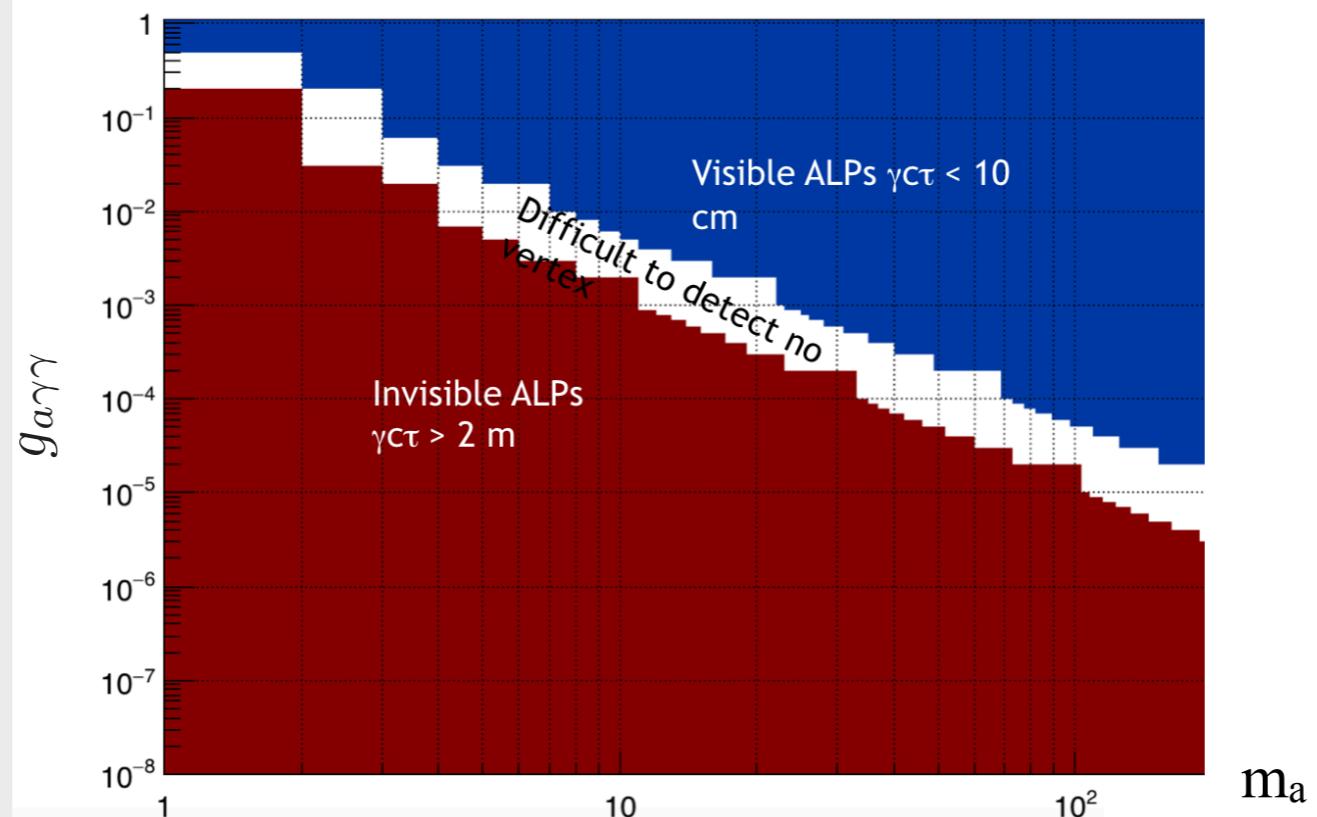


Marciano, Masiero, Paradisi e Passera

# Other analysis from annihilation into alp-photon



ALPs in  $\gamma\gamma$  at PADME  $\gamma\text{C}\tau$



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TO TRANSLATE IN OUR MC

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