

# Light dark sectors and the muon g-2 anomalies



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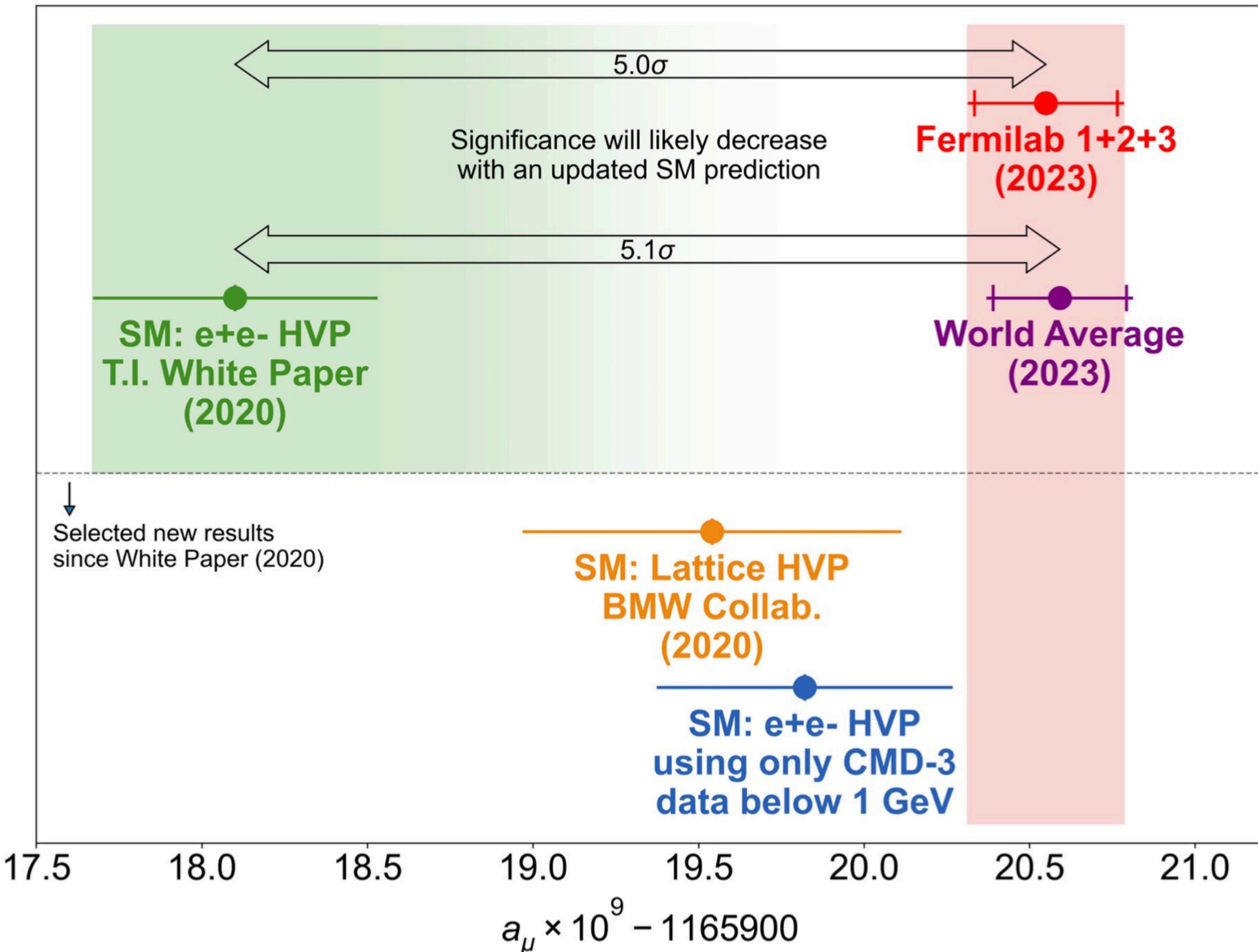
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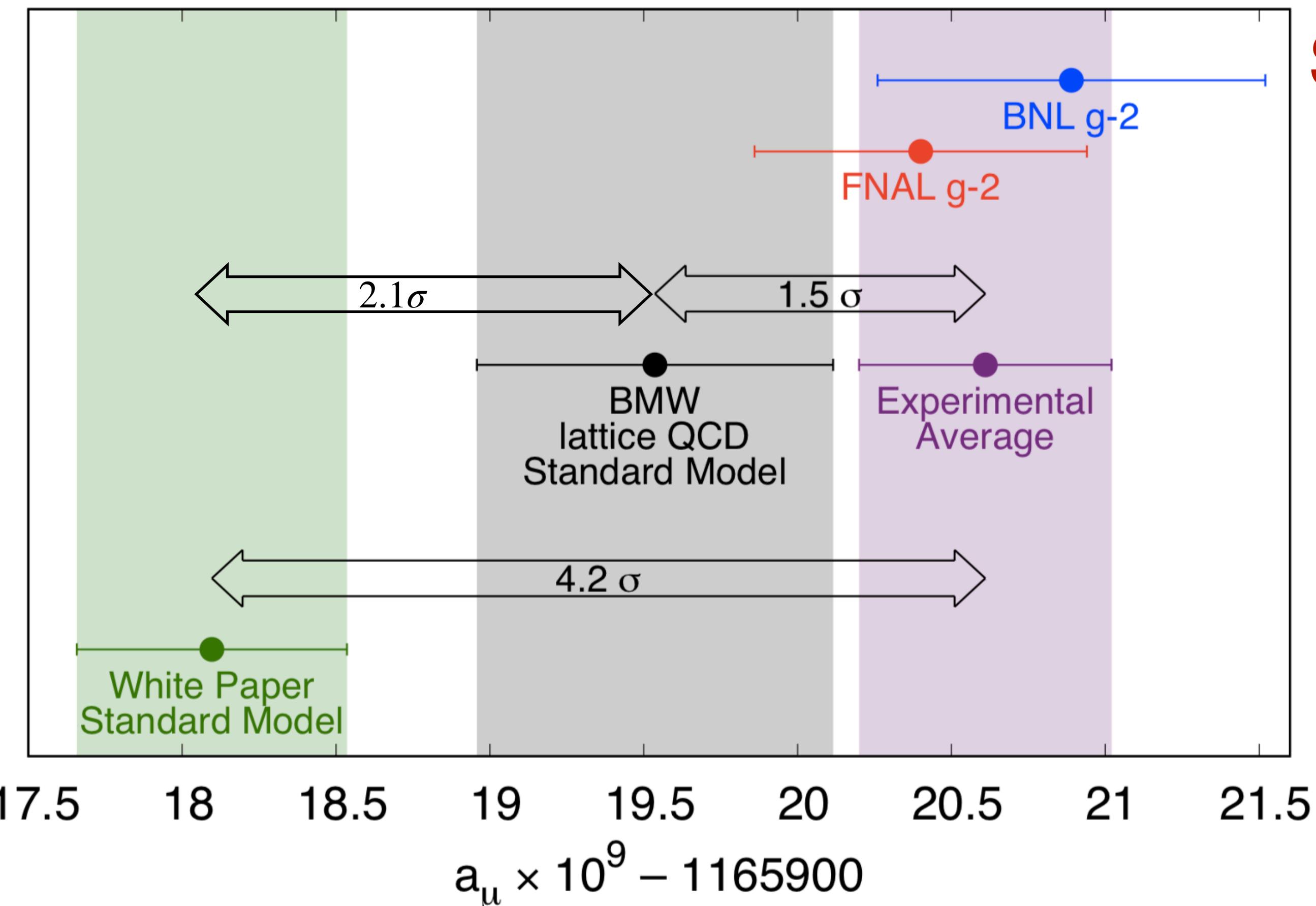
# Introduction

taken from Keshavarzi's slides at Lattice 2023



Situation after August 2023

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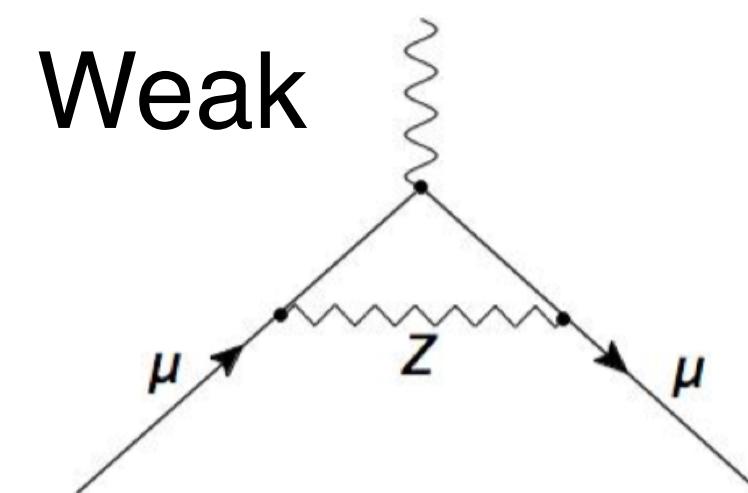
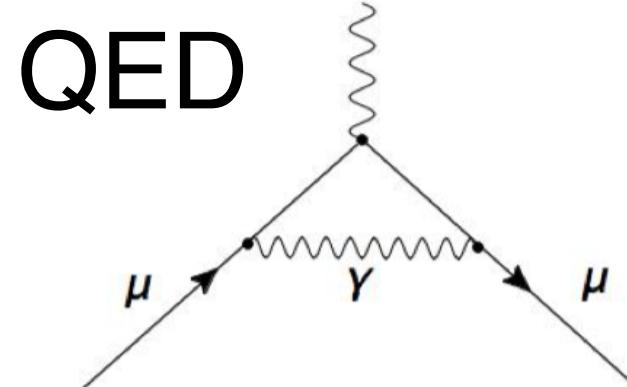
## Situation before August 2023

- Experiment vs SM estimate  
 $\Delta a_\mu = 251(59) \cdot 10^{-11}$
- SM vs lattice estimate
  - [full: BMW ('21)]
  - [partial: CLS/Mainz ('22), ETMC ('22), RBC/UKQCD ('23), ...]

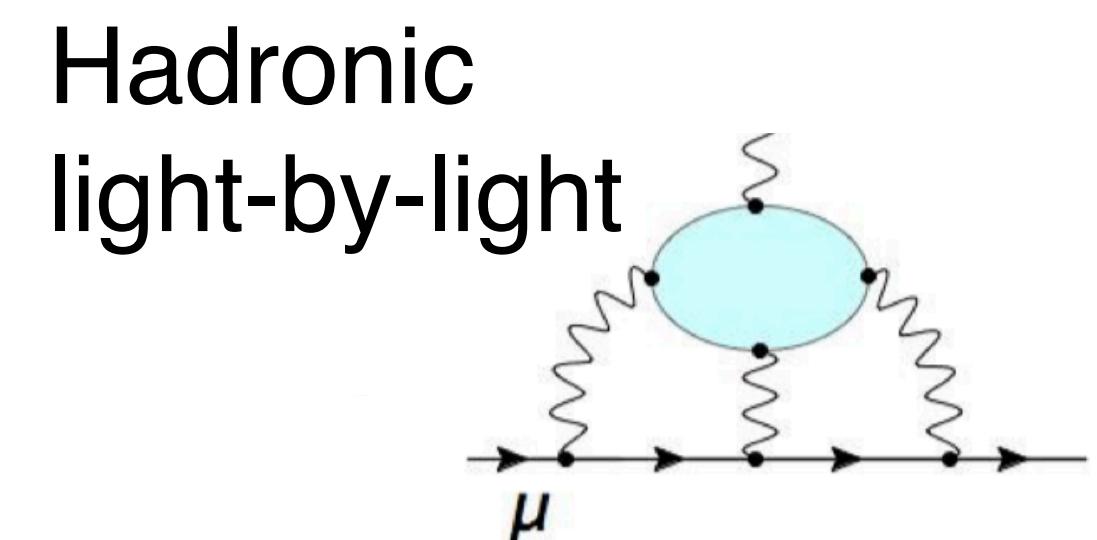
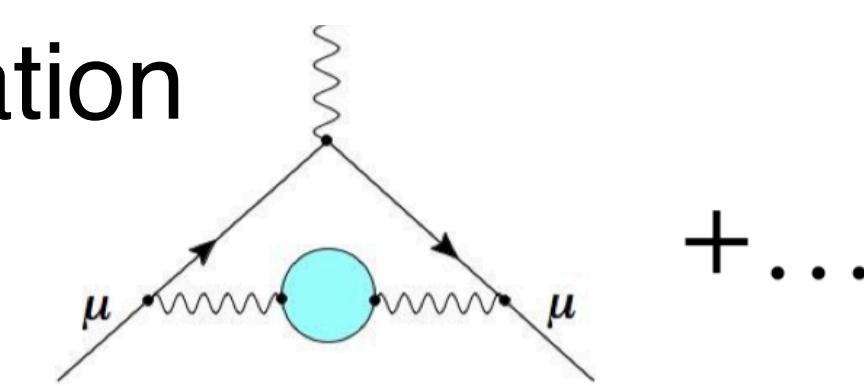
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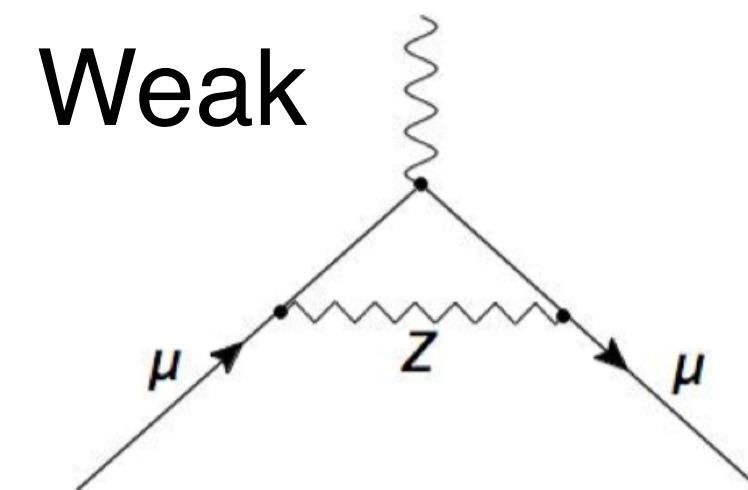
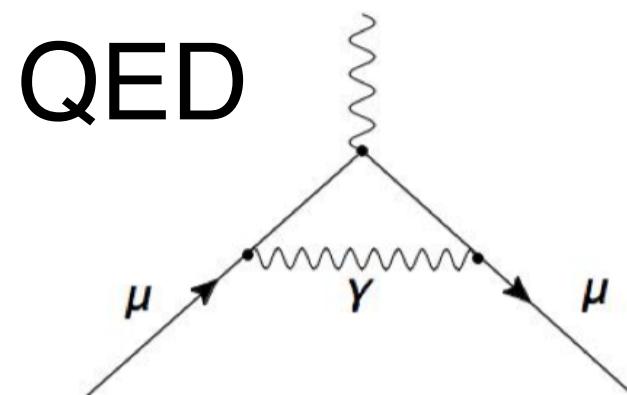
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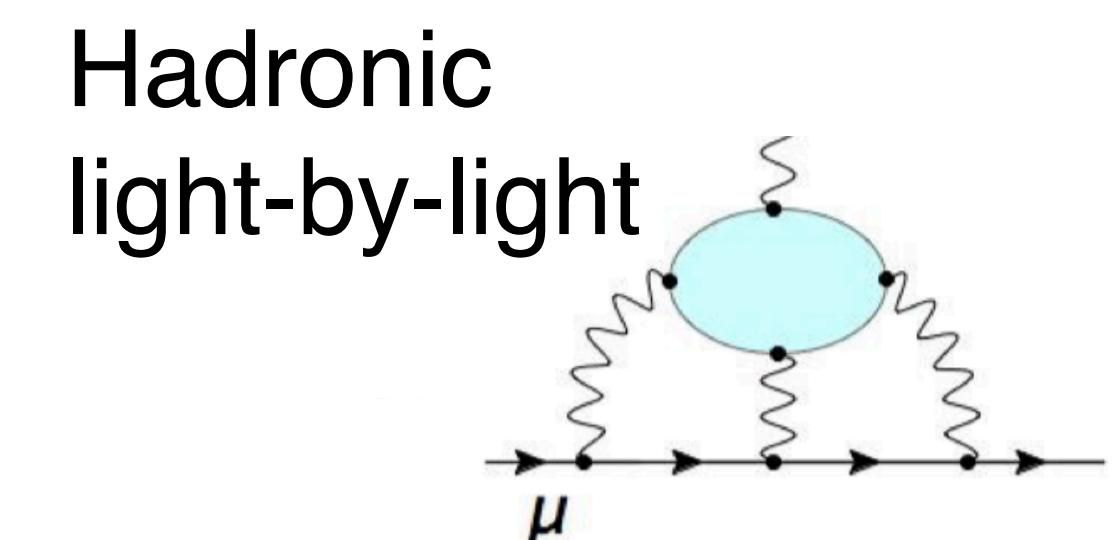
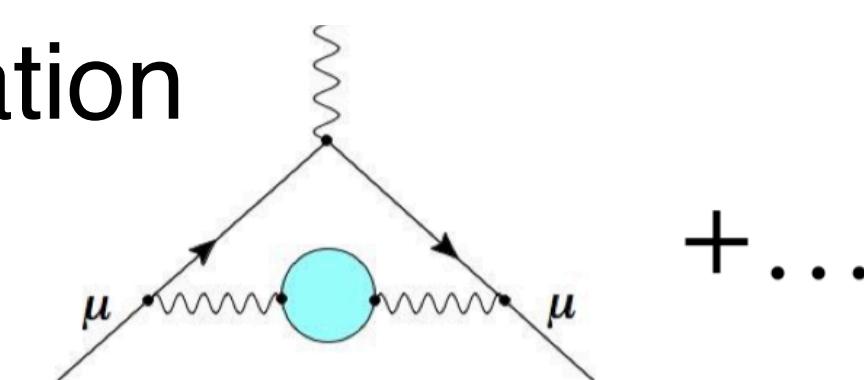
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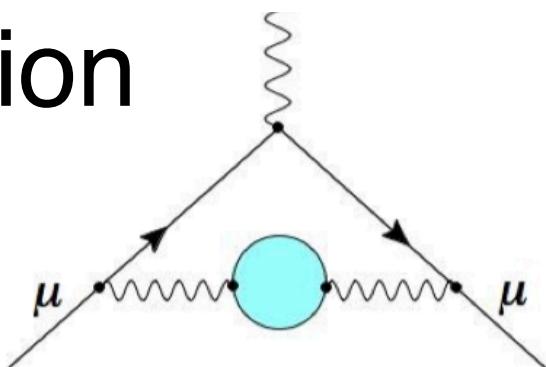
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Kernel function  $\propto s^{-1}$ :  
lower energies more  
important

$$a_{\mu}^{LO,HVP} = \frac{1}{4\pi^3} \int_{s_{th}}^{\infty} ds [K(s)] [\sigma_{\text{had}}(s)]$$

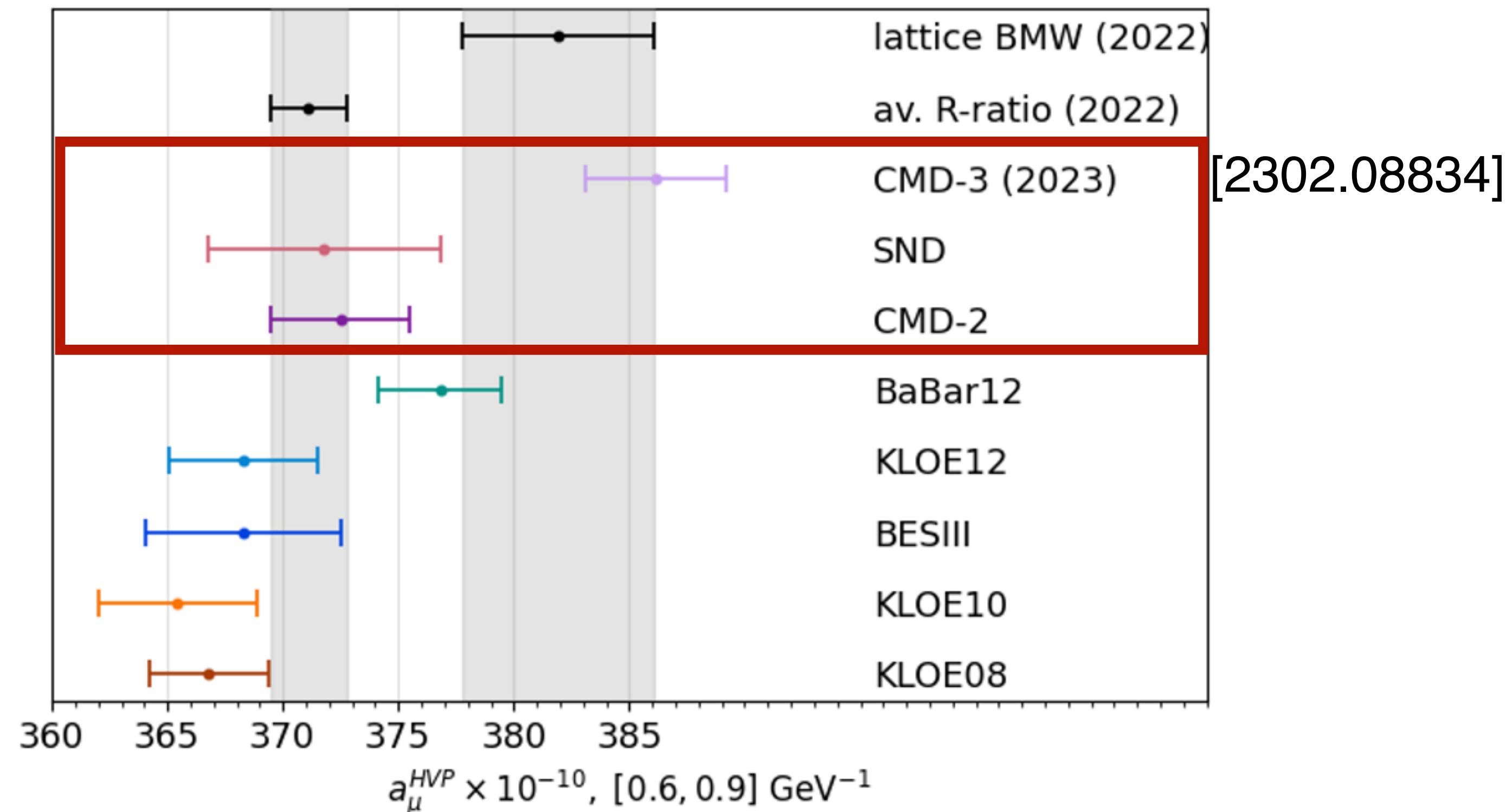
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bare cross section:  
experimental input

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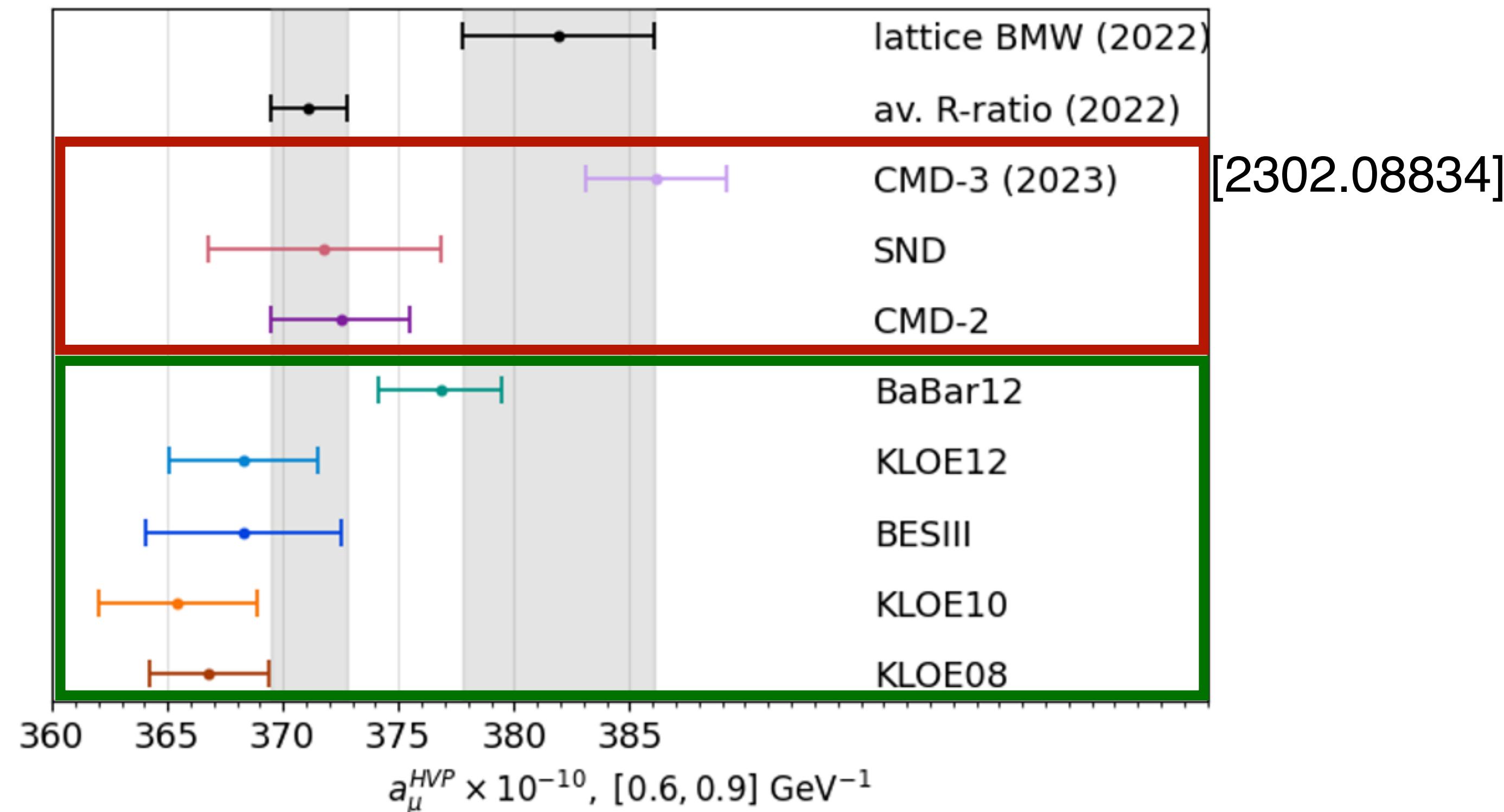


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2. Use Initial State Radiation to measure the  $\sqrt{s}$  of each collision - KLOE, BaBar, BESIII, CLEO.

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# Discrepancies

As a consequence we have the following **discrepancies**:

- **Experiment vs SM data-driven** estimate
- **SM data-driven vs lattice** estimate
- **$3\sigma$  tension** between **BaBar and KLOE data** used in the SM data-driven estimate (+ recent  **$5\sigma$  tension** between **CMD3 and KLOE data**)

[CMD3: 2302.08834]

Direct new physics effects

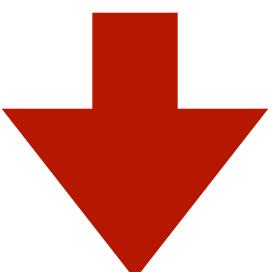
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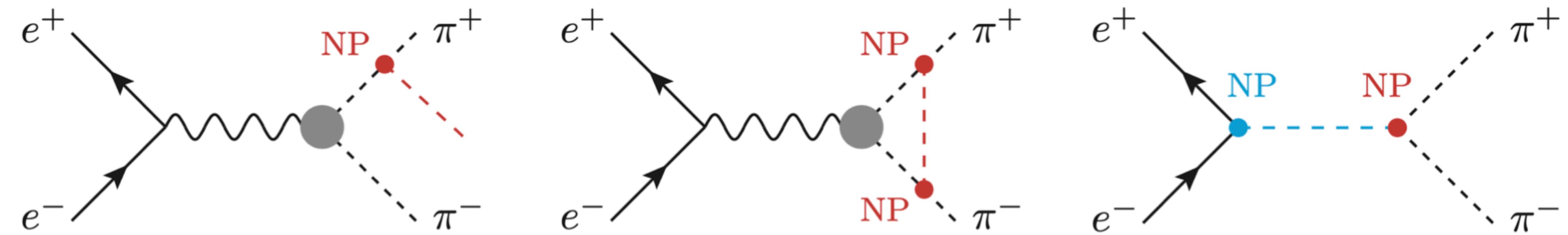
It is challenging to affect the hadronic cross-section via extra contributions since the hadronic cross sections are very large!

A shift of  $\sigma_{\text{had}}$  induces an increase of  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(m_Z)$ , disfavoured by the EW fit if the shift happens at  $\sqrt{s} \gtrsim 1$  GeV. [Marciano et al. '08, '09, '10, Keshavarzi et al '20]



Light new physics leading to a sub-GeV modification of  $\sigma_{\text{had}}$

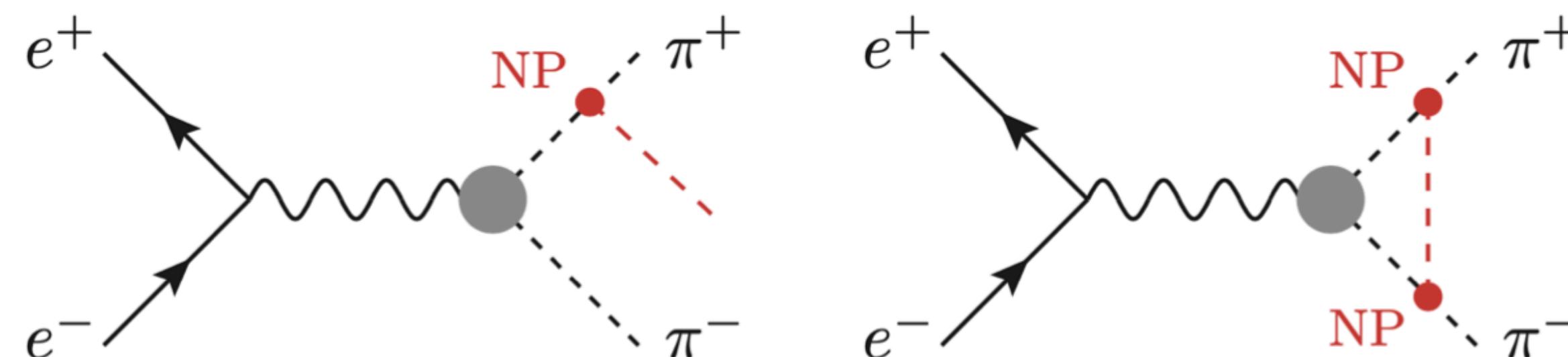
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[Di Luzio et al '21]

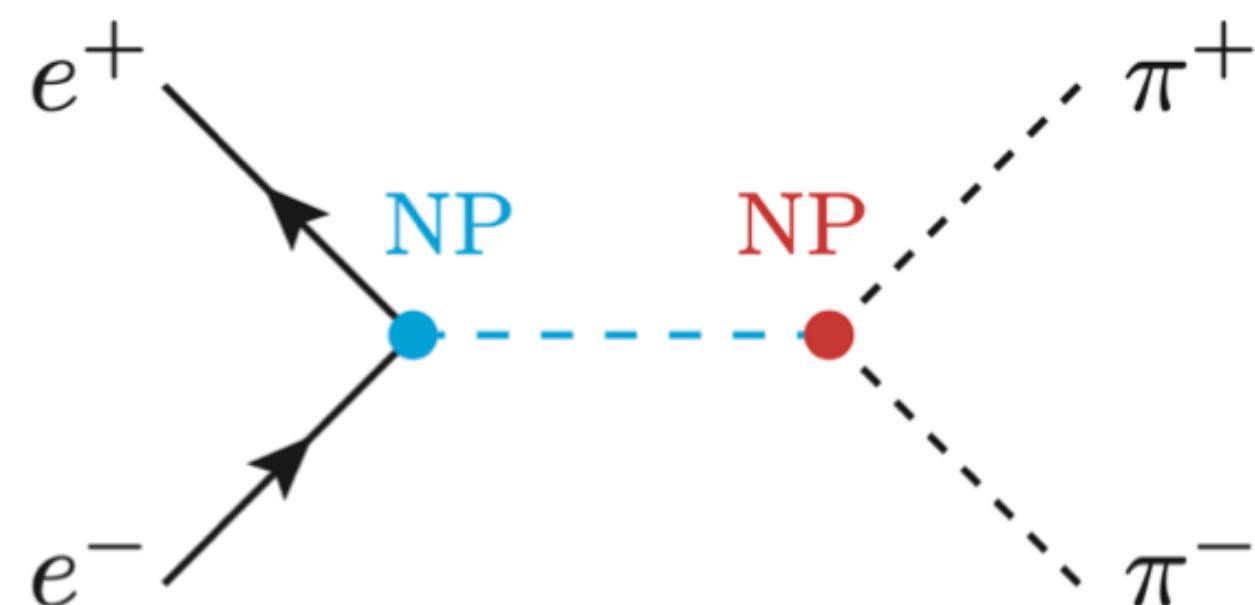


Light NP couplings to SM are strongly constrained;  
Important NP FSR estimated from scalar QED are  
 $50 \times 10^{-11} \ll 150 \times 10^{-11}$

NP contributions in FSR cannot solve the muon g-2 problem

# Direct new physics effects

## 2. New physics coupled to hadrons and electrons



[Di Luzio et al '21]

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} = \frac{1}{4\pi^3} \int_{m_\pi^2}^\infty ds K(s) \sigma_{\text{had}}(s) \quad \rightarrow \quad \sigma_{\text{had}} = \sigma_{\text{had}}^{\text{SM}} + \Delta\sigma_{\text{had}}$$

requires negative interference with SM

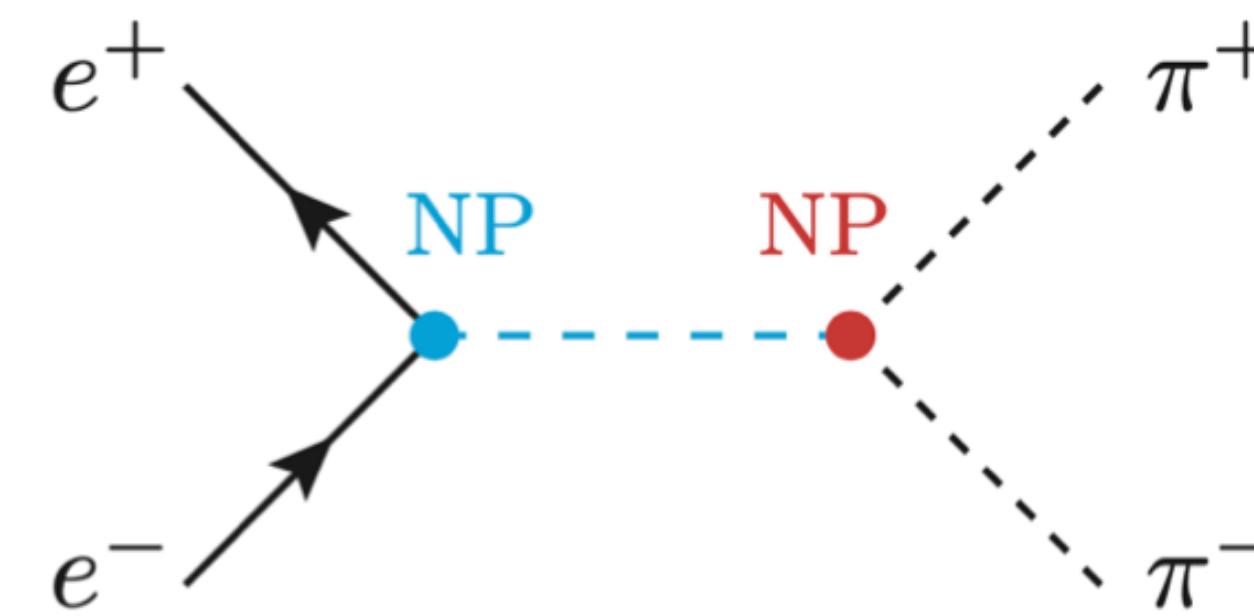
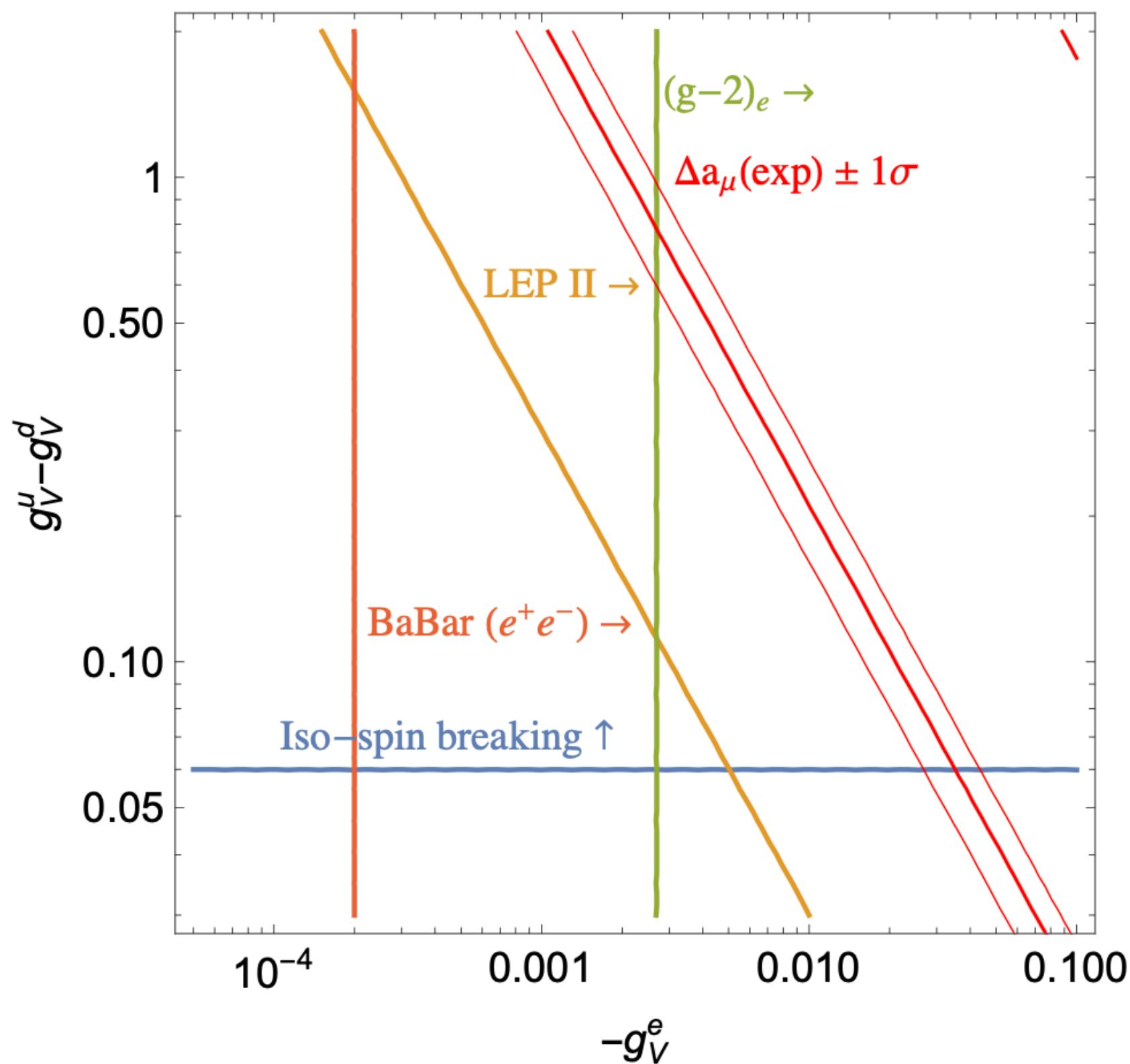
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$$\mathcal{L}_{Z'} \supset (g_V^e \bar{e} \gamma^\mu e + g_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q) Z'_\mu$$

$m_{Z'} = 0.1 \text{ GeV}$



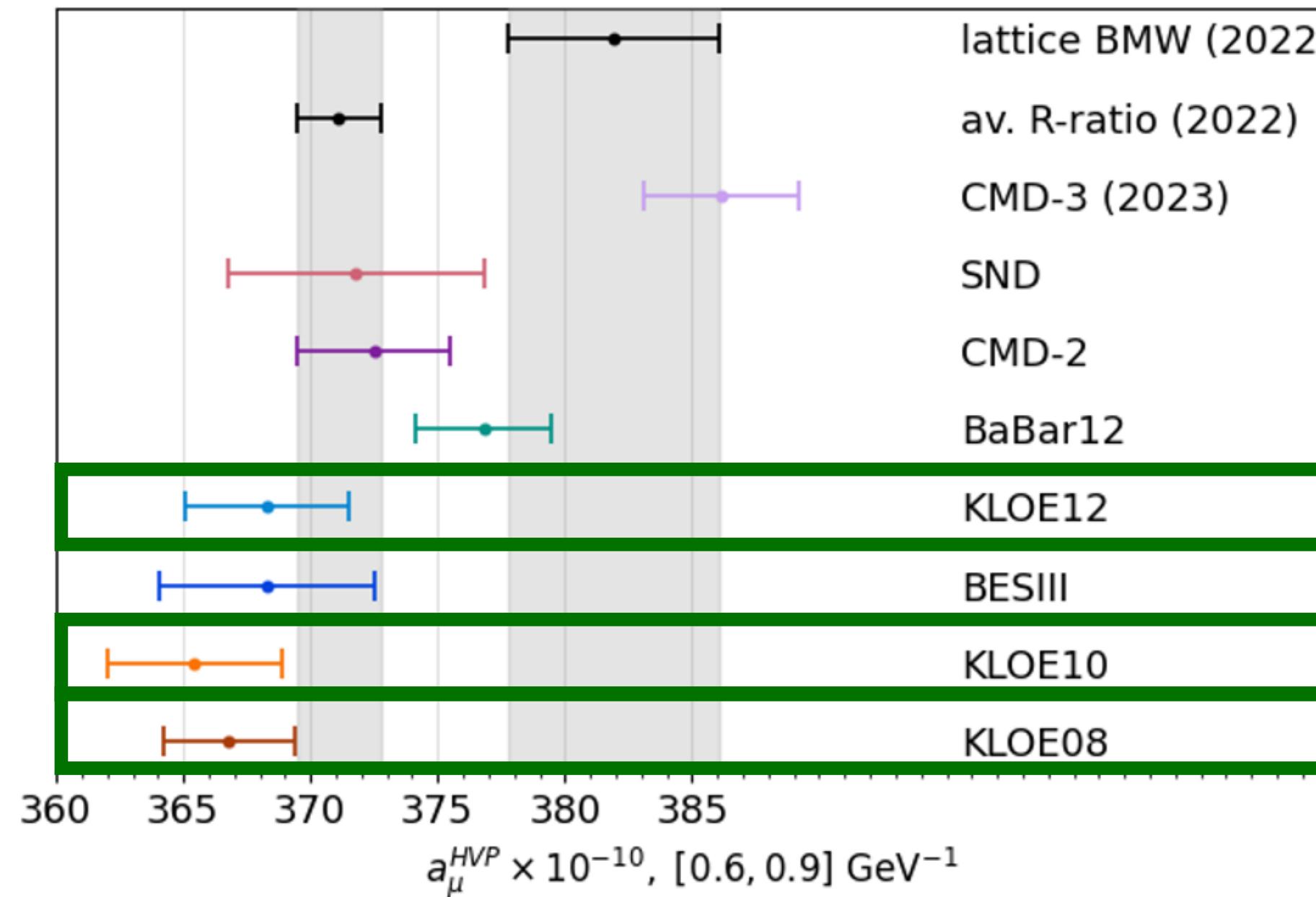
Disfavoured by LEP (semi-leptonic processes), BaBar (leptonic processes) and iso-spin breaking observables!

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**Can new physics effects impact indirectly the hadronic cross section determination?**

Key idea:  
**new physics can enter the channels used to calibrate the luminosity!**

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3. **KLOE12**: relies on the ratio of the number of  $\pi^+\pi^-\gamma$  and  $\mu^+\mu^-\gamma$  events in the range  $0.35 < s'/\text{GeV}^2 < 0.95$ . The dependence of the **luminosity cancels in the ratio**.

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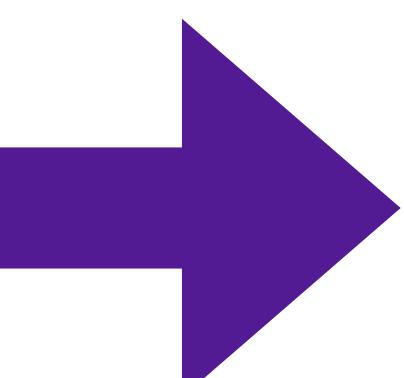
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Full Bhabha cross section including NP

$$\sigma_{\text{eff}} = \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SM}}(1 + \delta_R)$$

$$a_\mu^{HVP,LO} \rightarrow a_\mu^{HVP,LO}(1 + \delta_R)$$

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## The $\sigma(\mu\mu\gamma)$ method KLOE12 and BaBar

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What if we have  $\mu^+\mu^-X$  new physics events mimicking the  $\mu^+\mu^-\gamma$ ?

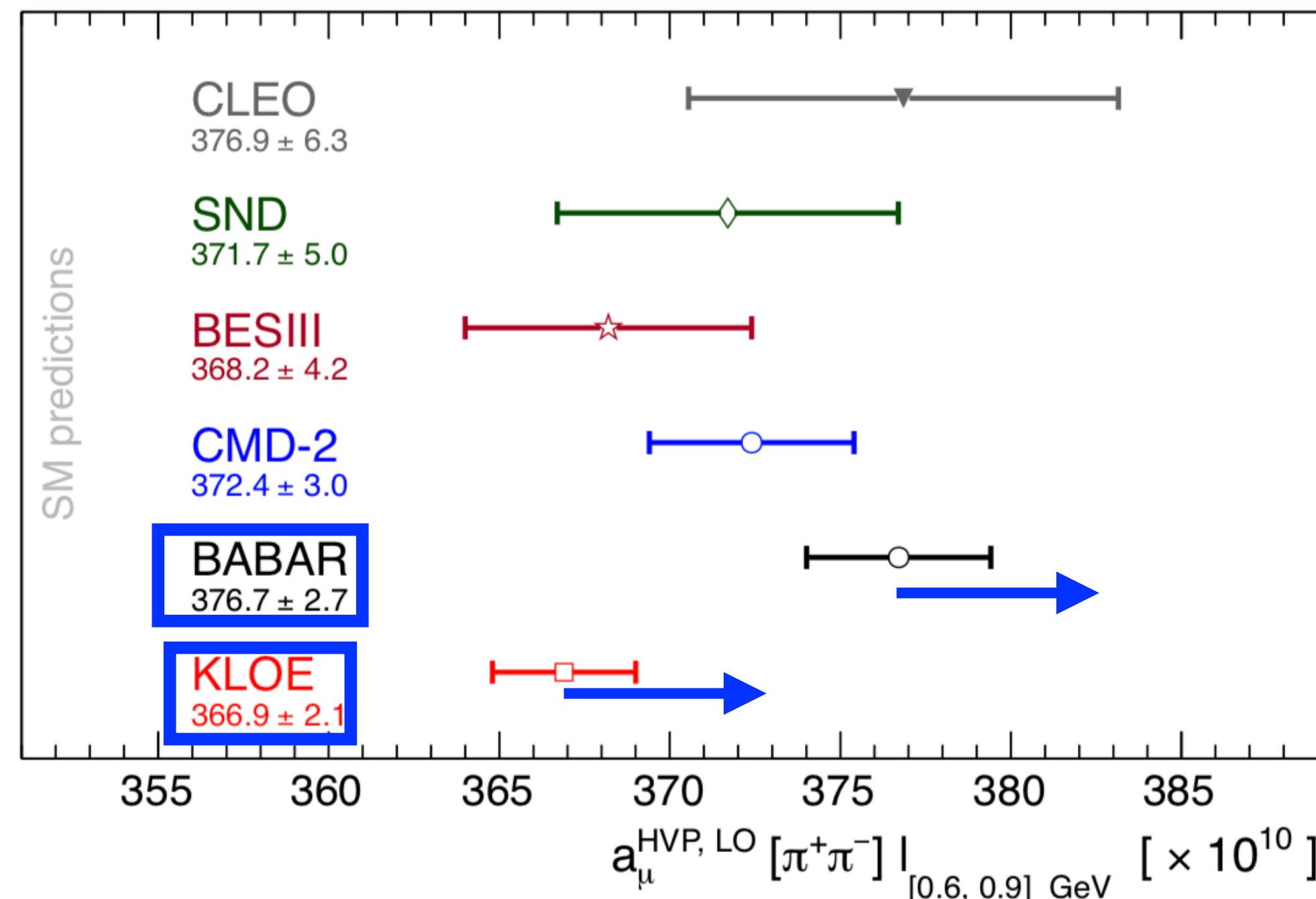
$$\sigma_{\pi^+\pi^-}^{0\gamma^*} = \frac{N_{\pi^+\pi^-\gamma_{ISR}}}{N_{\mu^+\mu^-\gamma_{ISR}} - N_{\mu^+\mu^-\gamma_{ISR}}^{NP}} \sigma_{\mu^+\mu^-}^0 \sim \sigma_{\pi^+\pi^-}^0 (1 + \delta_\mu(s'))$$

SM inferred value

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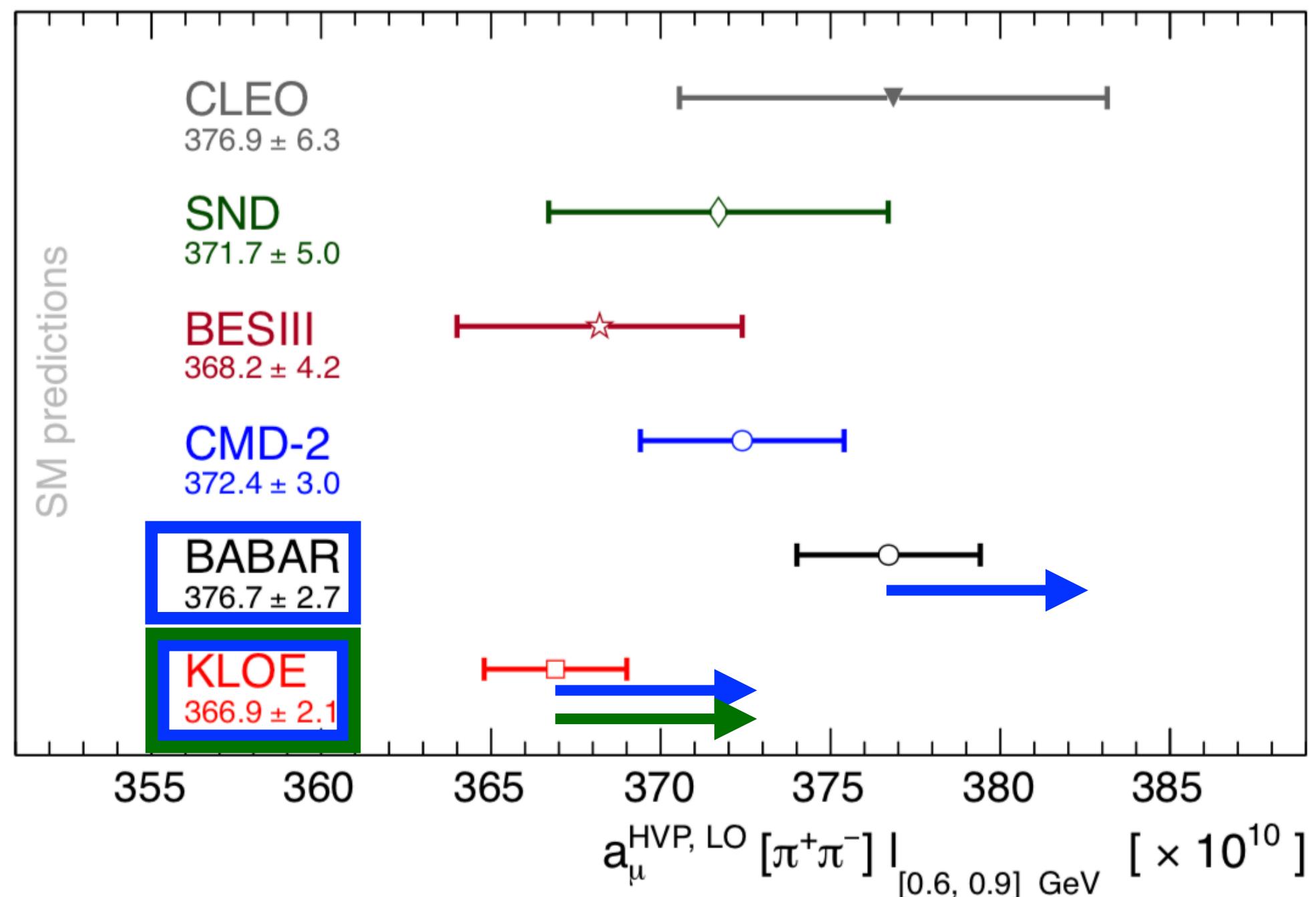
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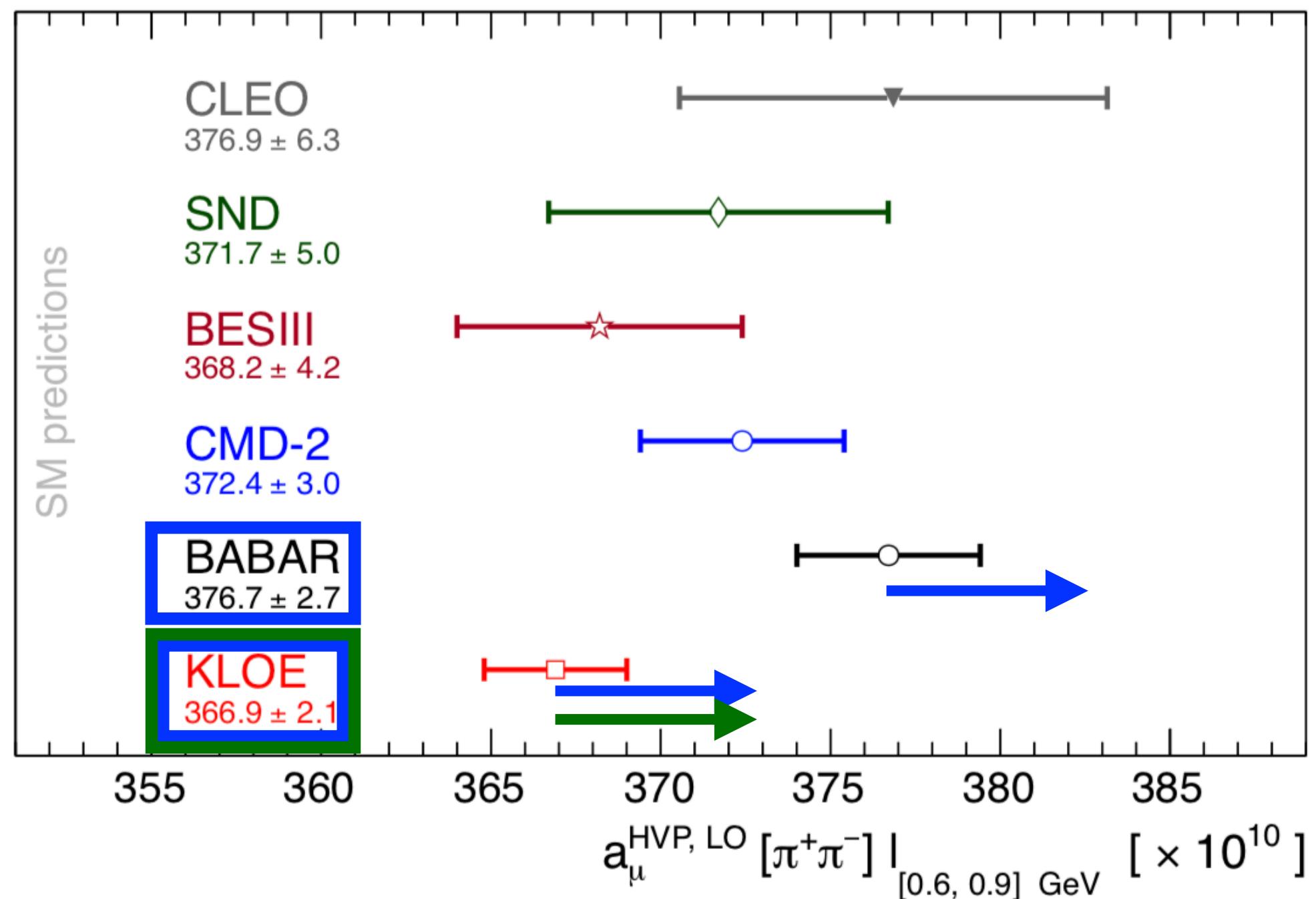
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Flavour universal new physics that modifies the Bhabha scattering is expected to modify the  $\gamma\mu\mu X$  process, up to differences related to the muon mass and the experiment.

# Dark photon model

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Dark photon

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dirac fermion

dark matter

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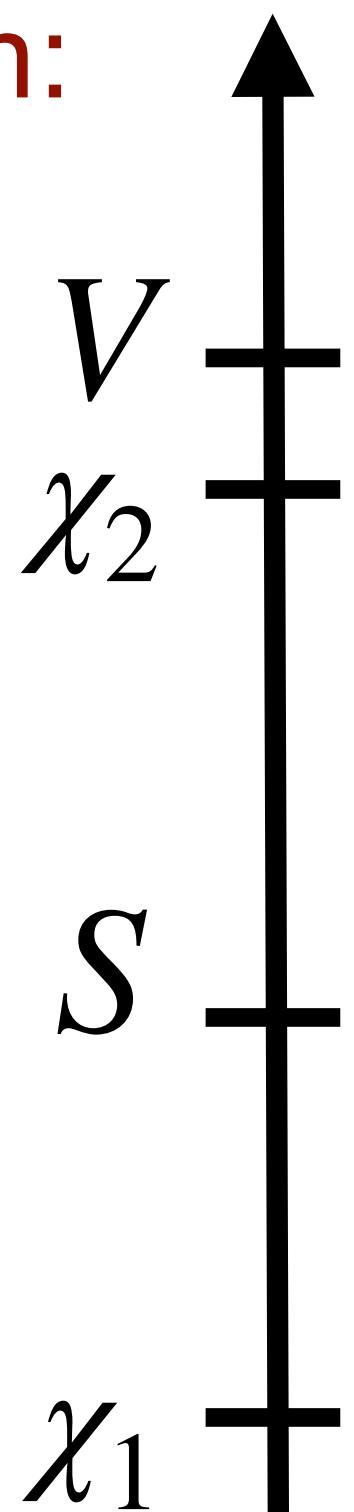
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$$g_{\alpha D} q_S v_S$$



$$m_\chi \pm \sqrt{2} v_S (y_{SR} + y_{SL})$$

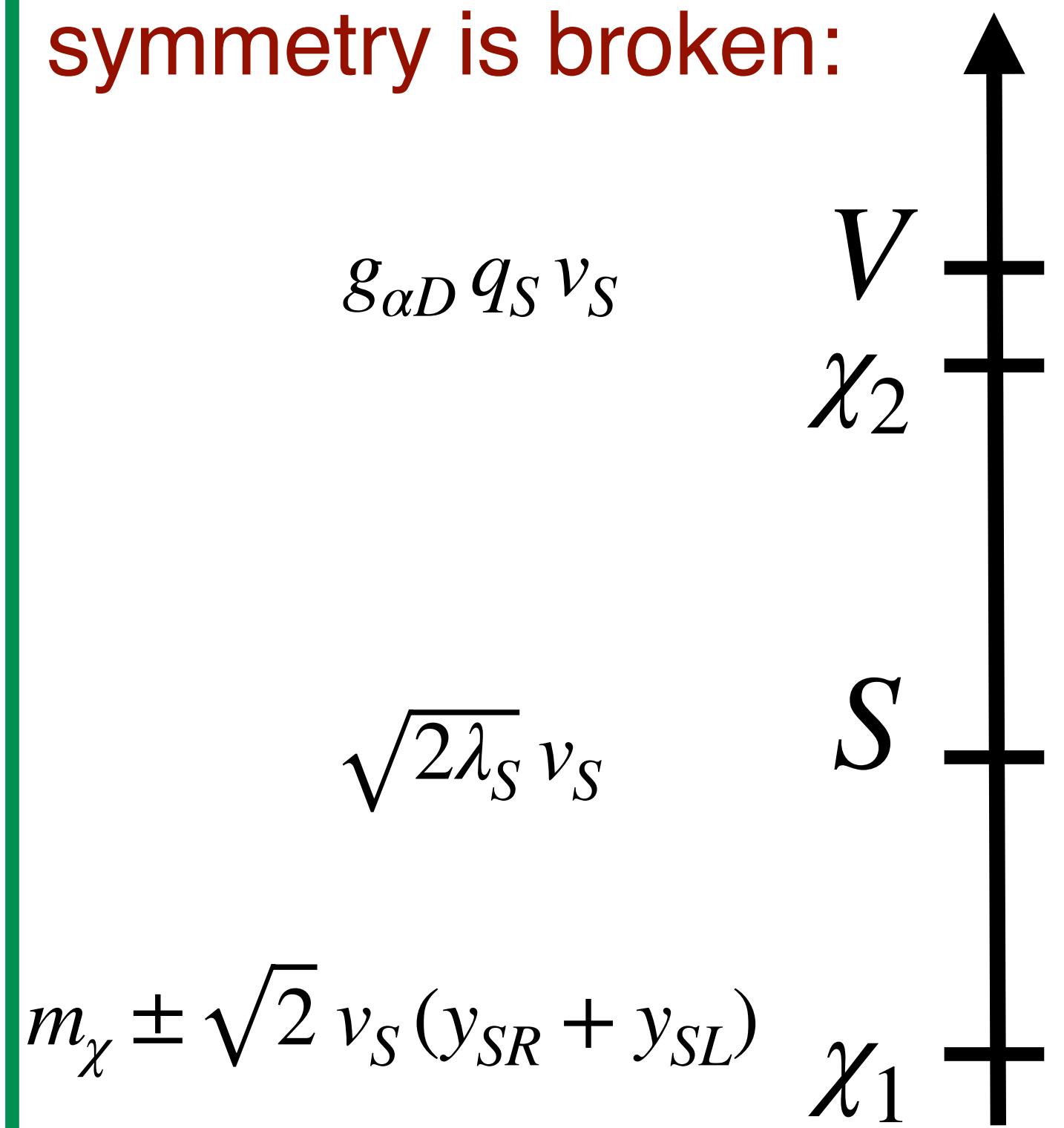
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In order to generate a significant shift in KLOE's luminosity and to provide additional di-muon events:

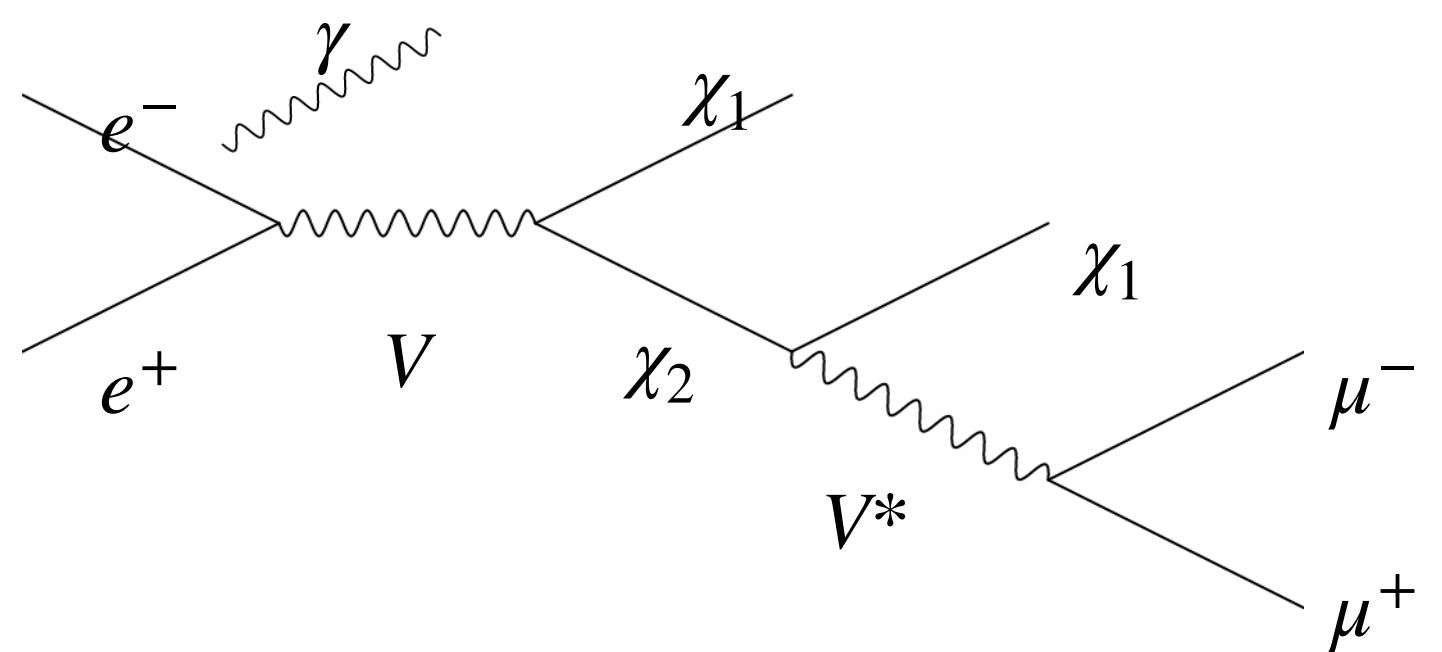
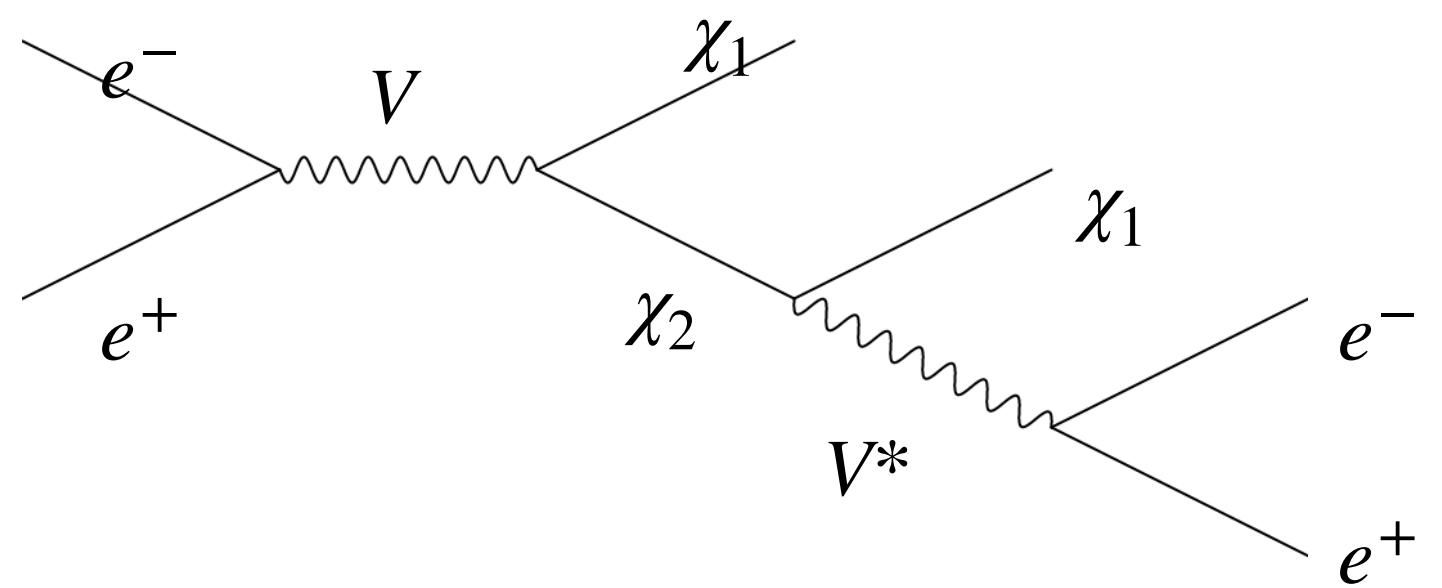
1. the dark photon mass must close to the KLOE centre of mass energies  $\sqrt{s} \simeq 1$  GeV or  $\sqrt{s} \simeq 1.02$  GeV;
2. the dark photon must contribute substantially to Bhabha scattering;
3. The dark photon must escape bump searches: the main decay channel must be multibody and include some missing energy;

$$m_V \sim 1 \text{ GeV} \gtrsim m_{\chi_2} \gg m_{\chi_1}$$

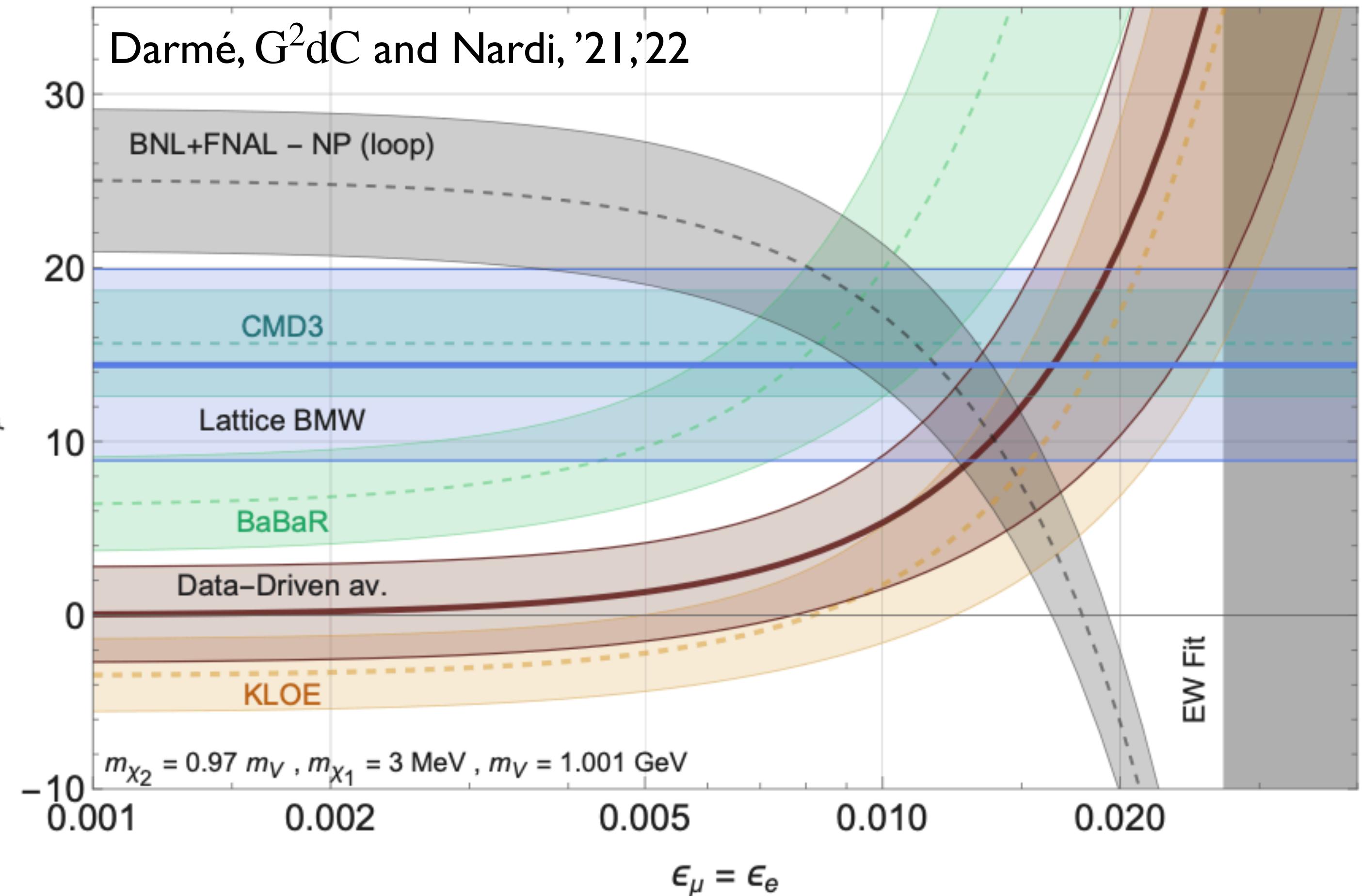
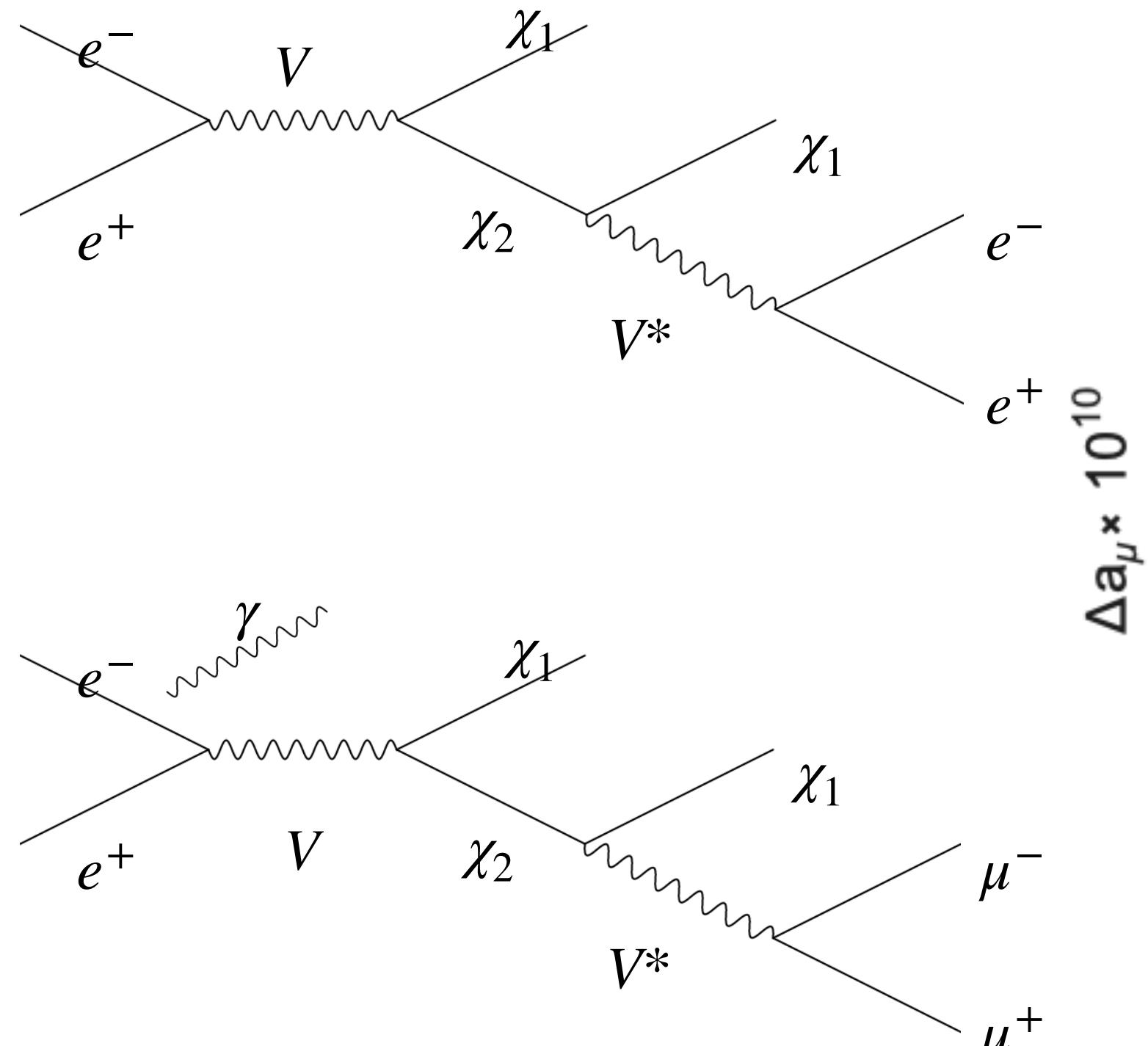
Spectrum after the U(1) symmetry is broken:



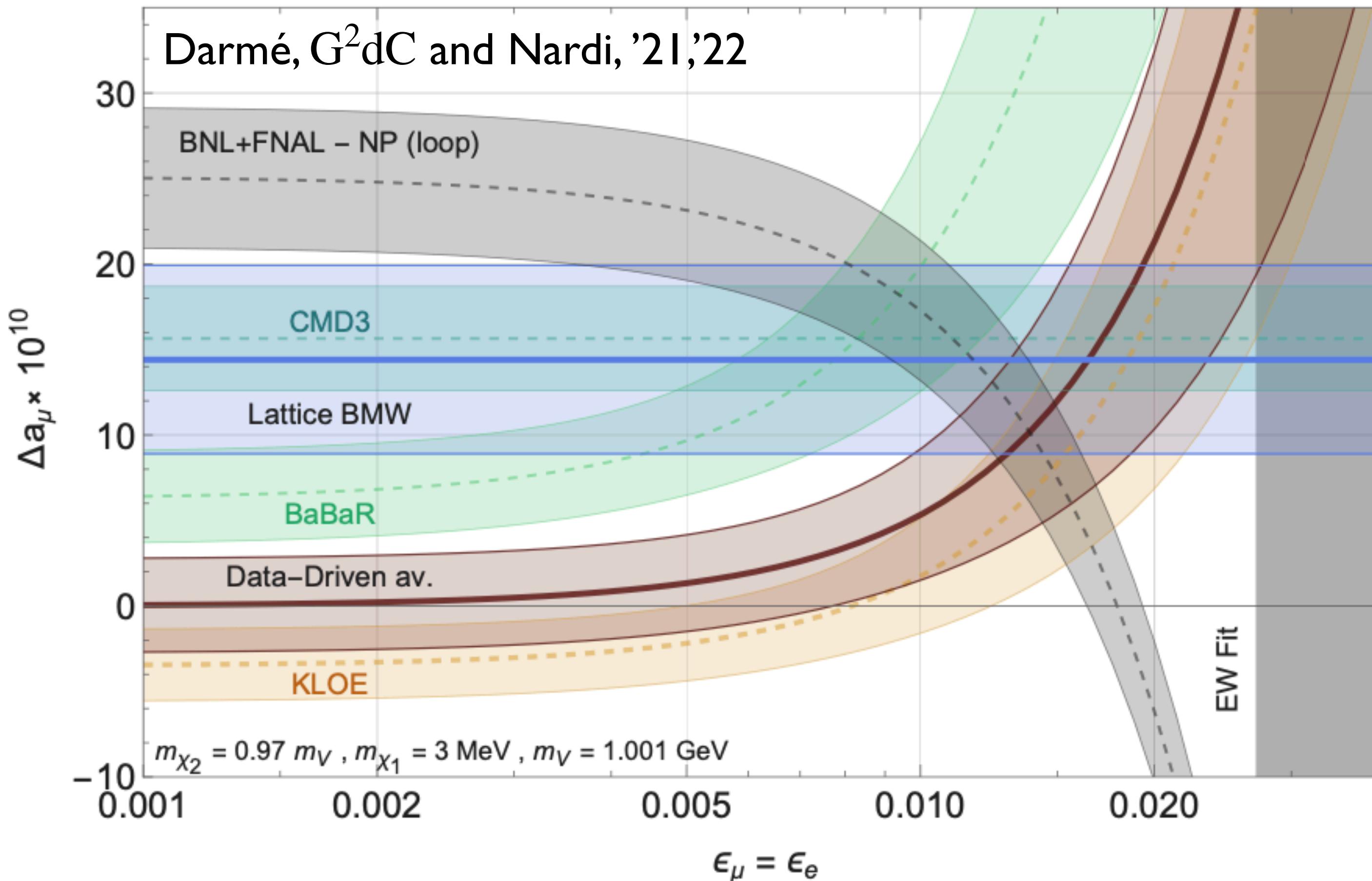
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- Many constraints evaded:
1. BaBar dark photon searches;
  2. KLOE10 off resonance measurement;
  3. KLOE forward-backward asymmetry;
  4. KLOE12 muon cross section measurement;
  5. LEP precision measurements;

LHC EW fit with  $\sim 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  will be sensitive to this model.

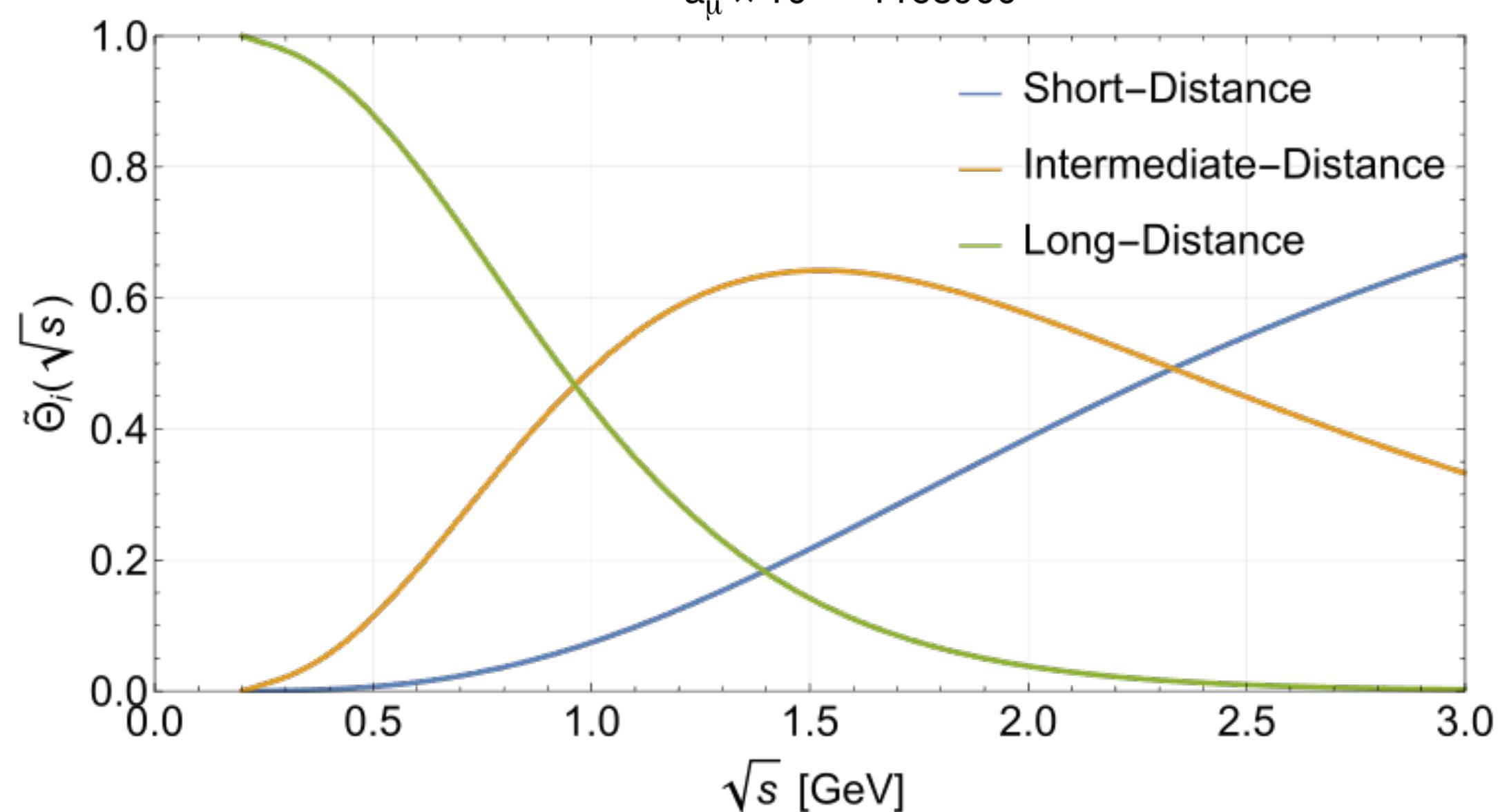
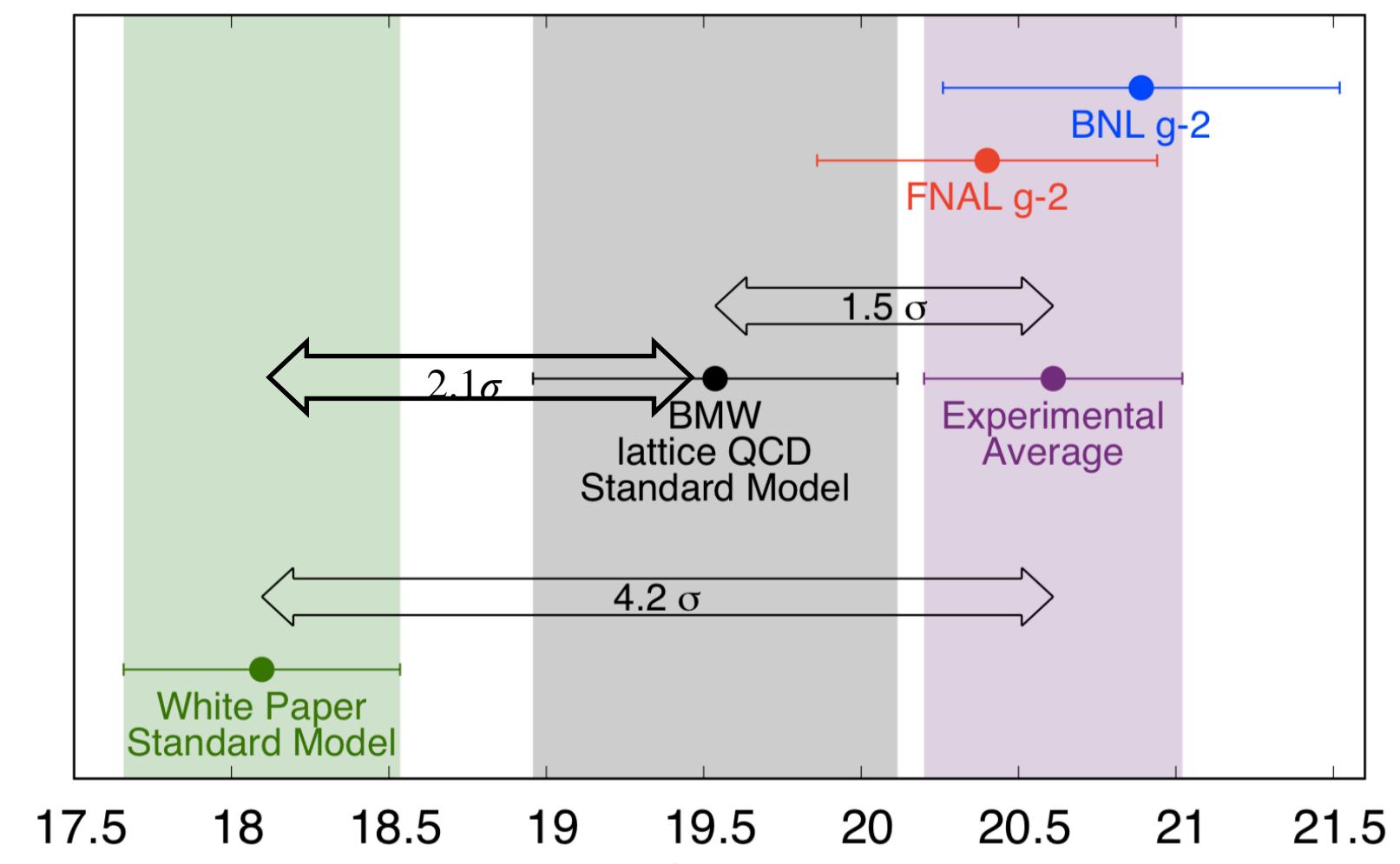
# Energy windows

Which scale is problematic?

[RBC/UKQCD '18]

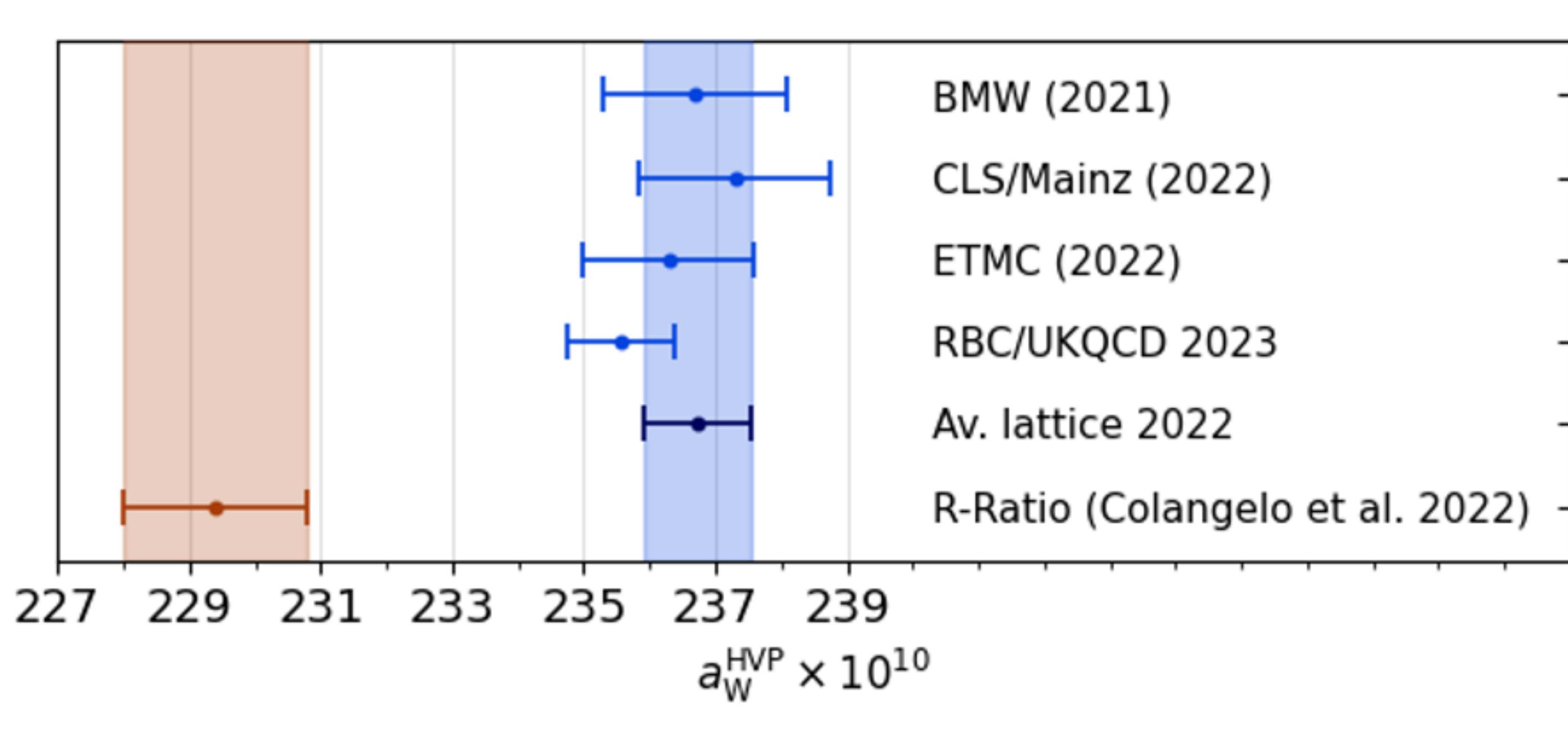
Select particular scales in the lattice estimate exploiting weight functions:

1. avoid long-distance contributions (ie small momenta) where lattice has large uncertainties
2. allow for a scale-by-scale comparison with the data-driven approach
3. allow lattice collaboration to give partial results



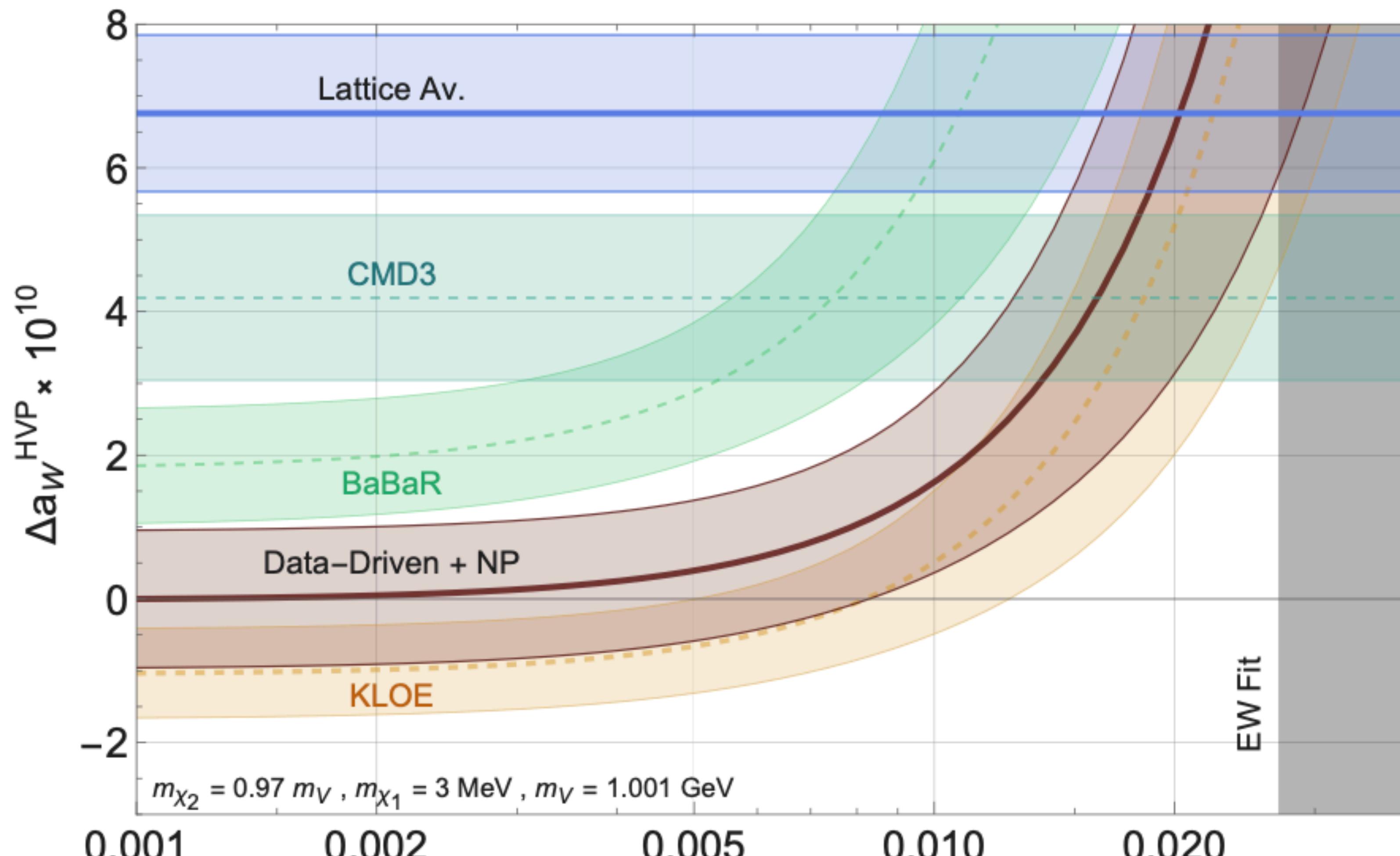
# Intermediate window

The data-driven approach and the lattice results differ at the  **$4\sigma$  level** in the intermediate window!



ETMC (2206.15084) computed also the short distance (high energy) window finding no significant tension with the corresponding dispersive result!

# Intermediate window



$$\Delta a_{\text{IW}}^{\text{HVP}} = a_{\text{IW}}^{\text{HVP}}(\epsilon) - a_{\text{IW}}^{\text{HVP}}(0)$$

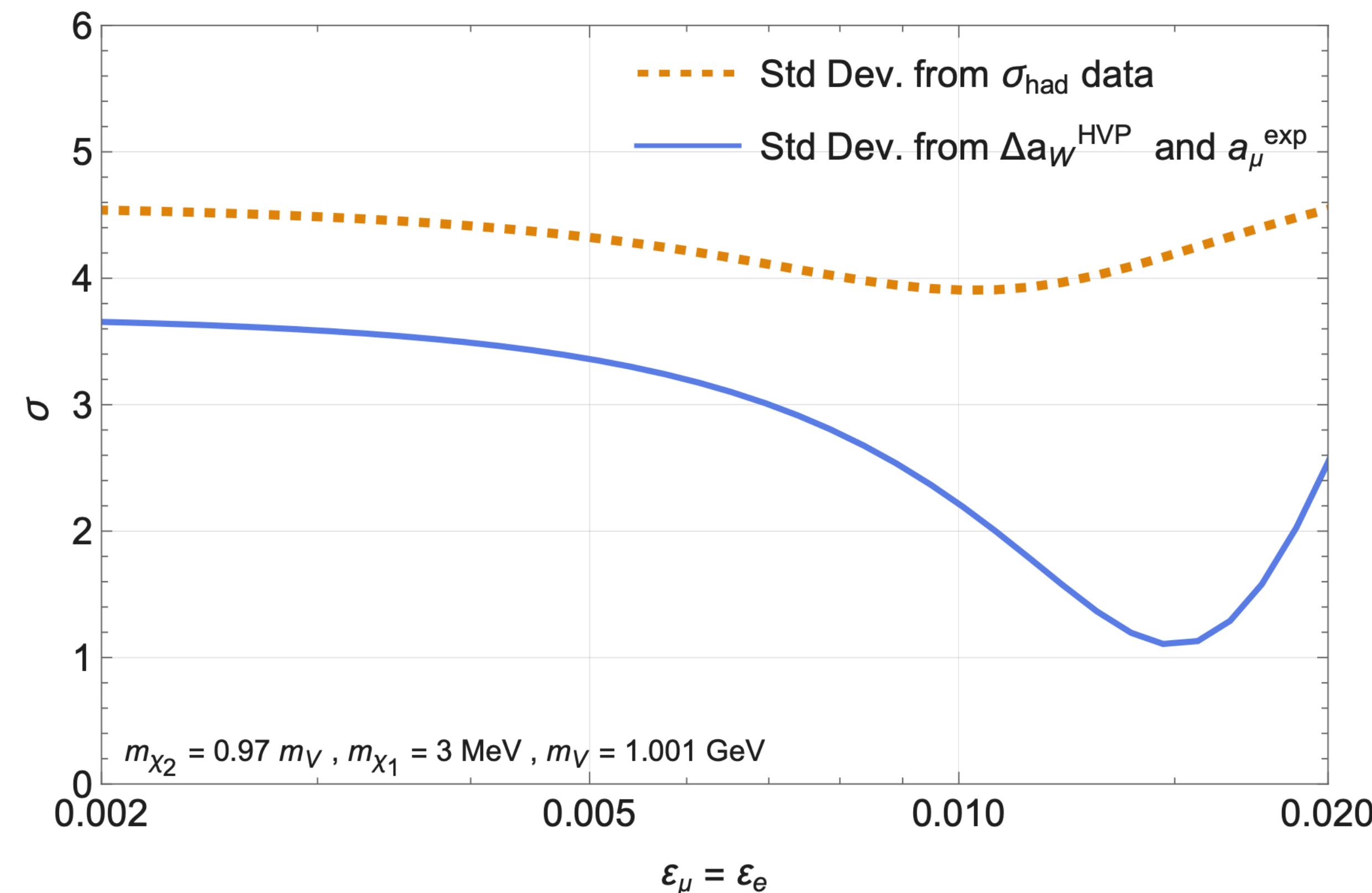
$$\epsilon_\mu = \epsilon_e$$

Darmé, G<sup>2</sup>dC and Nardi, '22

# Conclusions

- The **4.2 sigma discrepancy** between the Theory Initiative SM prediction for the g-2 and the experimental results is accompanied by **other anomalies: data-driven vs lattice & KLOE vs BaBar (CMD3)** in the data-driven estimate.
- The presence of **new physics can indirectly modify the experimental results used by the data-driven approach, increasing  $\sigma_{\text{had}}$** ;
- **Dark photon models** may shift the  $\sigma_{\text{had}}$  measurement of KLOE and BaBar but cannot fully explain all the discrepancies among the different datasets;
- The g-2 anomalies can be mitigated by an **interplay between direct (~75%) and indirect (~25%) contributions**;
- The **largest indirect contribution is in the intermediate window**, in agreement with recent lattice results.

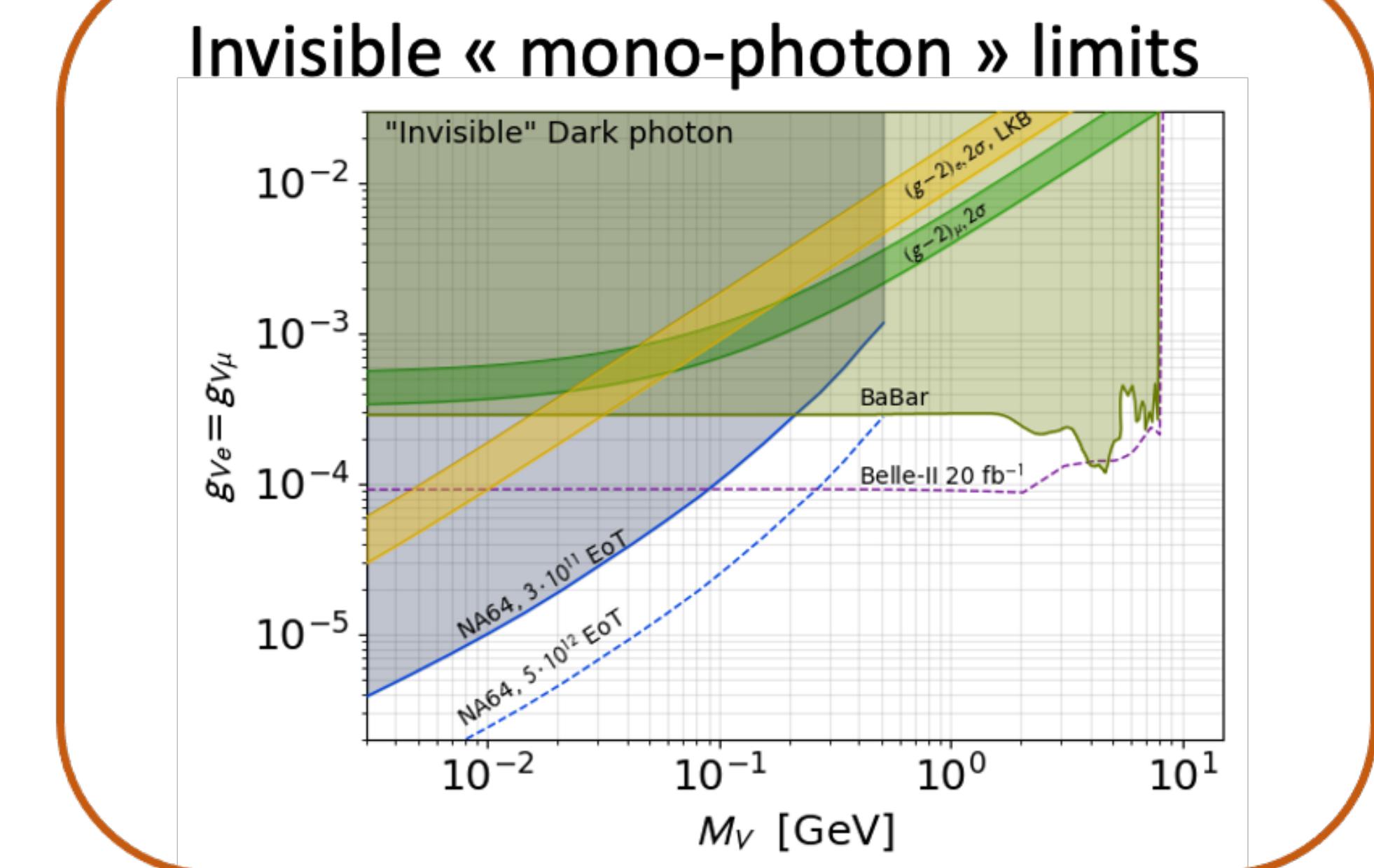
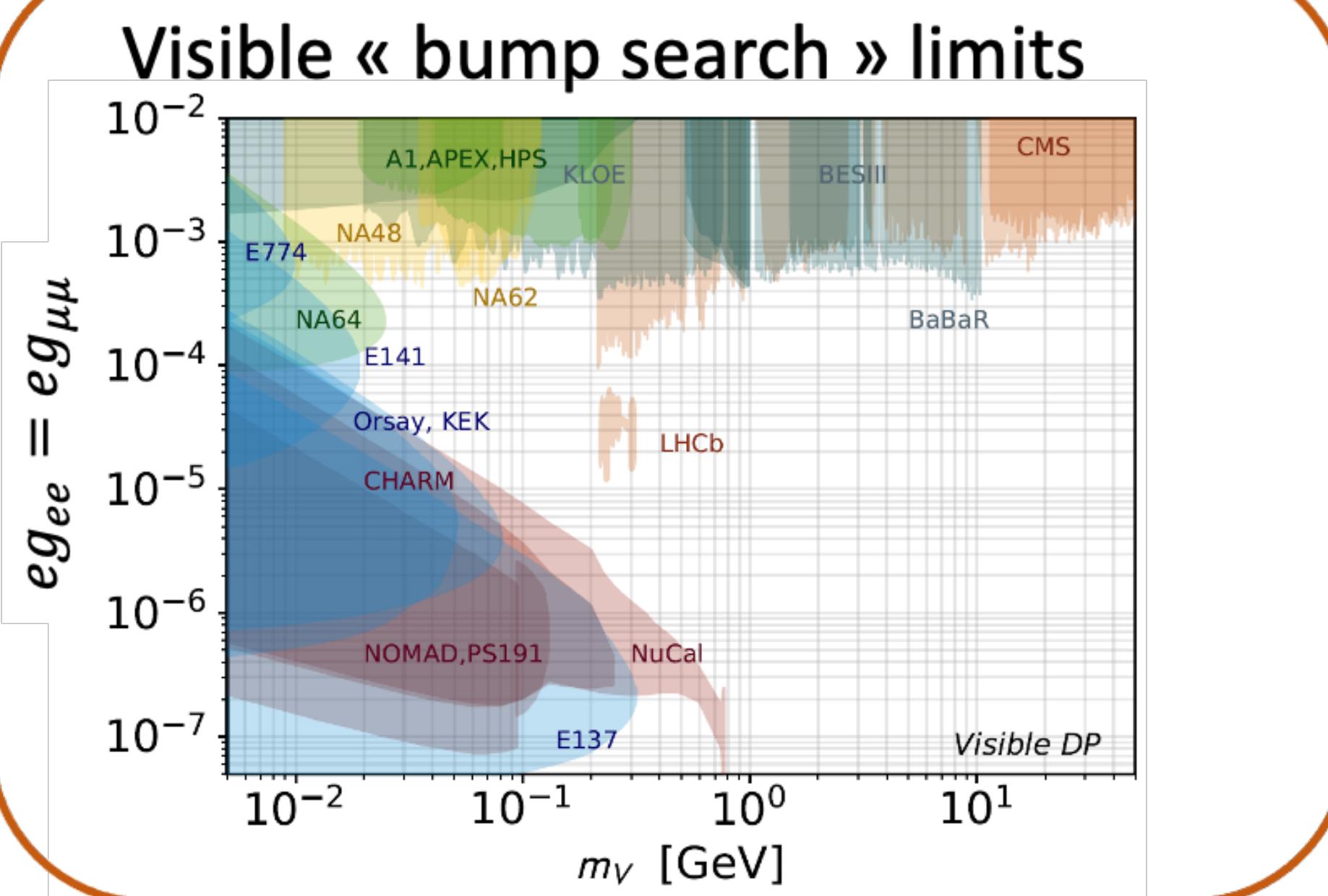
# Backup



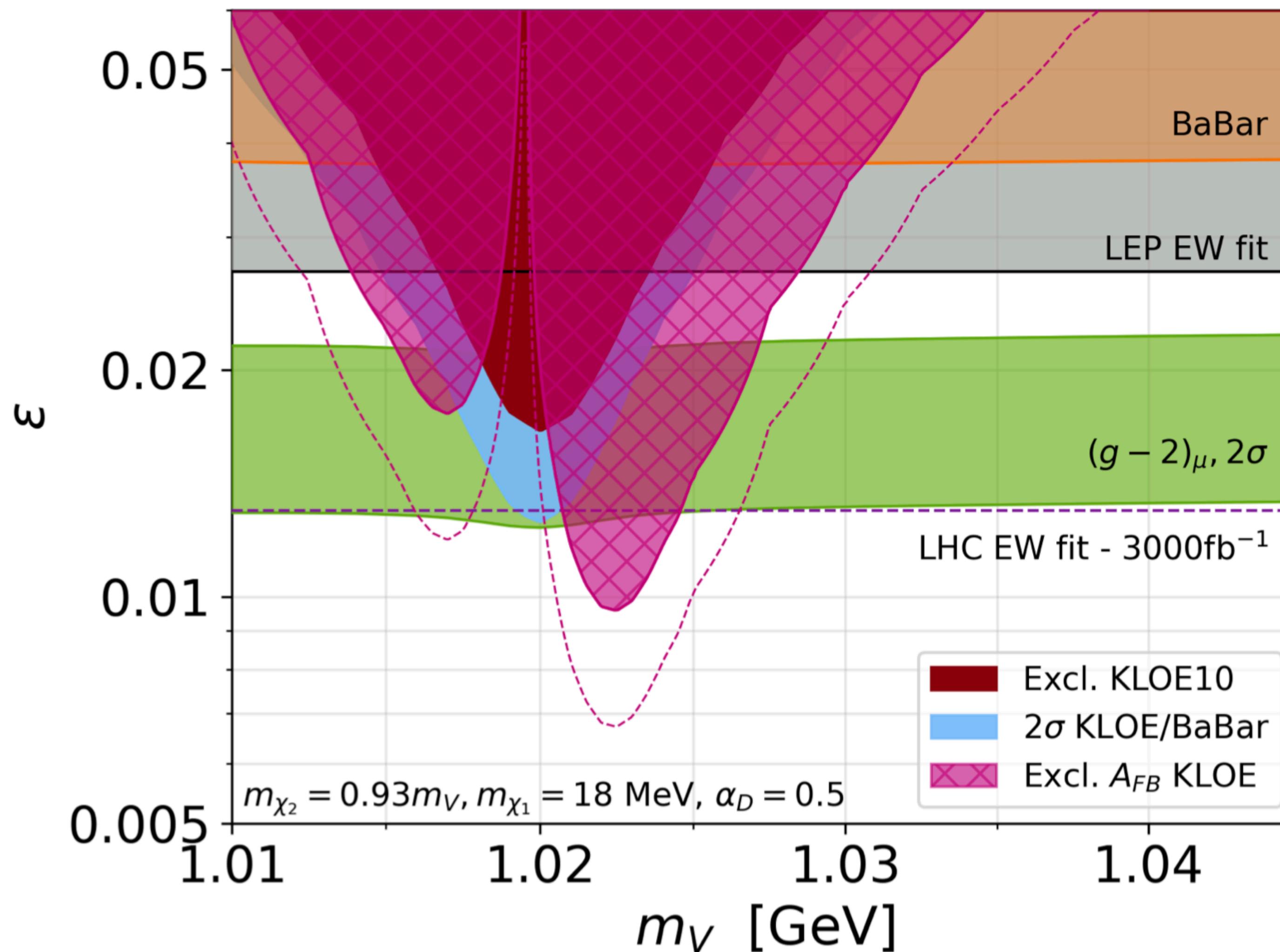
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Search for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma V, (V \rightarrow e^+e^-)$  at BaBar,  
or  $pp \rightarrow V + X, (V \rightarrow \mu\mu)$  at LHCb  
Need to be able to reconstruct a resonance !

Search for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma V, (V \rightarrow inv)$  at BaBar,  
Requires a mono-photon final state



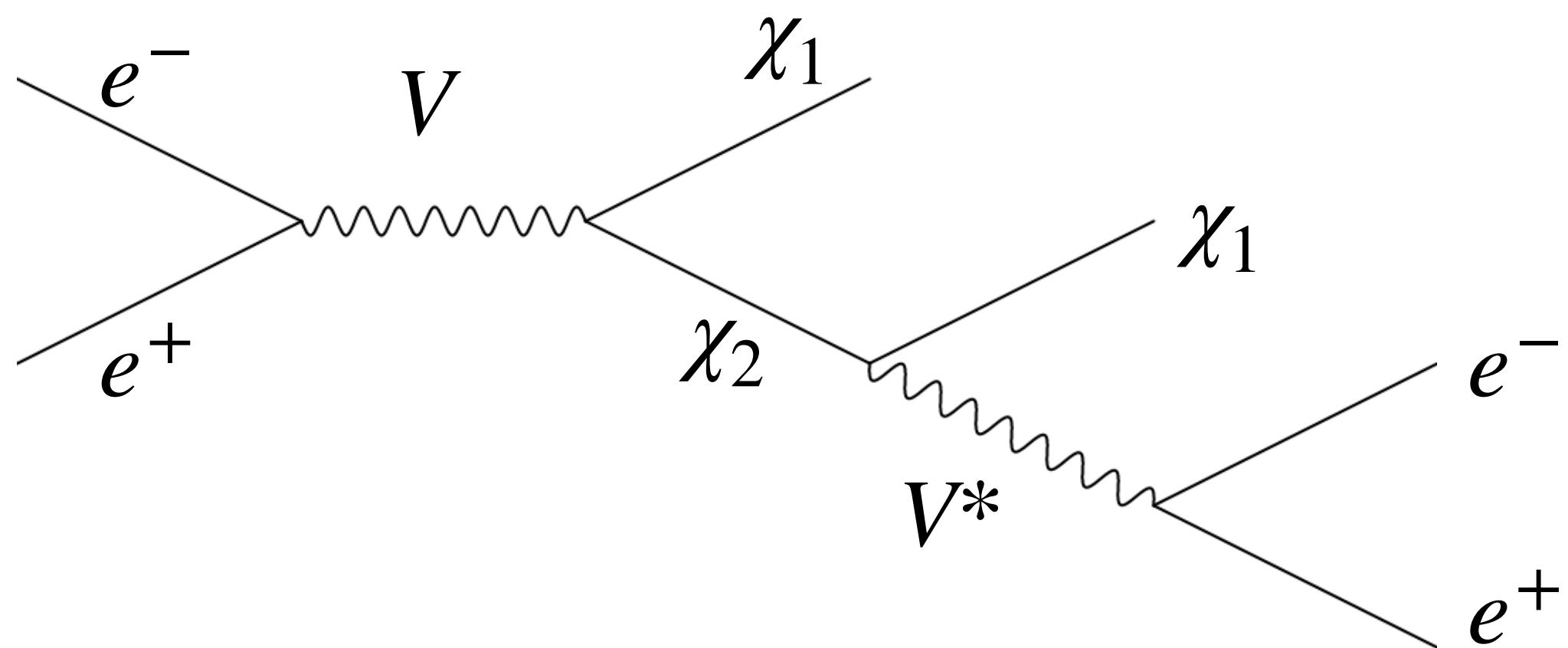
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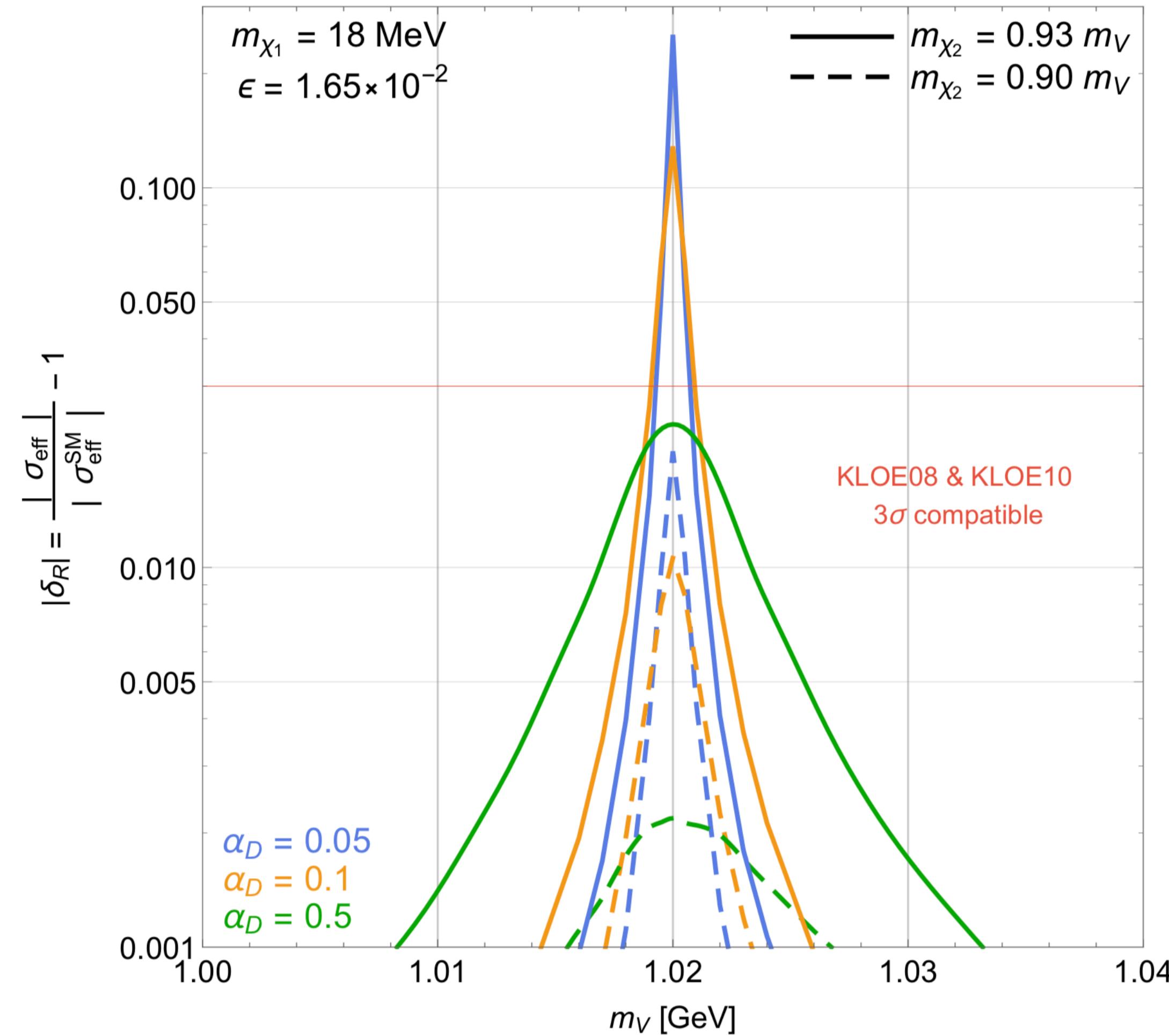
# Solving the $a_\mu$ tension

## Shifting KLOE08

Darmé, G<sup>2</sup>dC and Nardi, '21

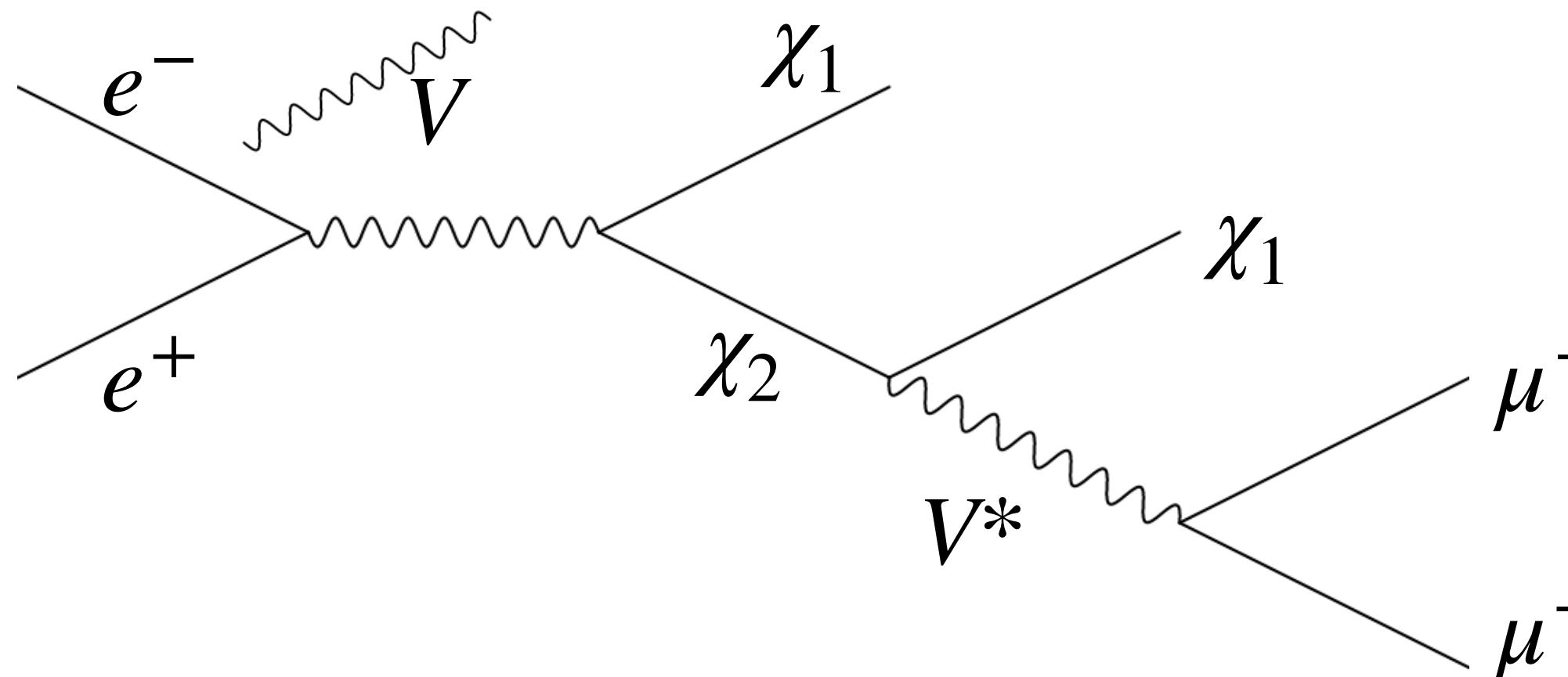


Recast KLOE08 search using  
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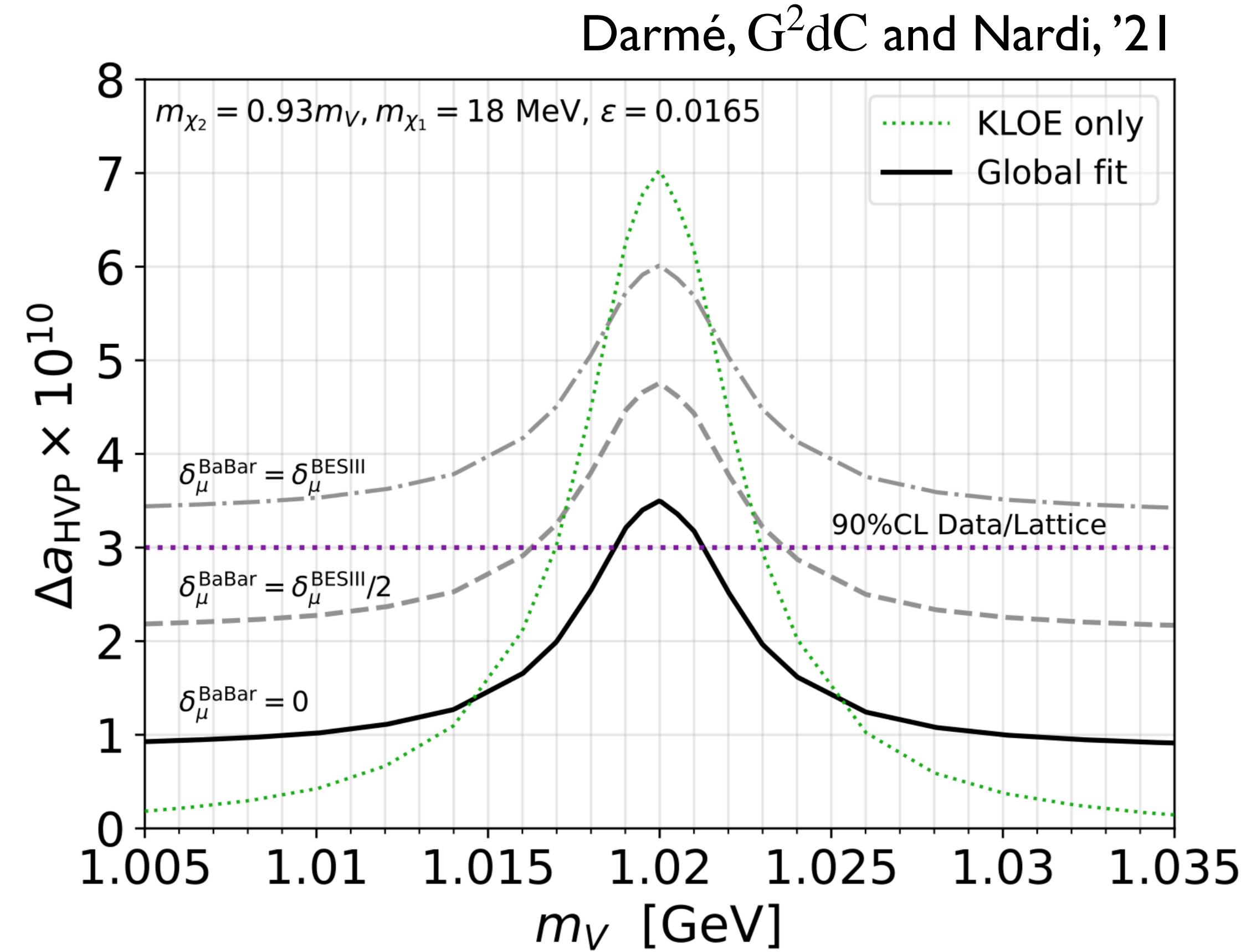


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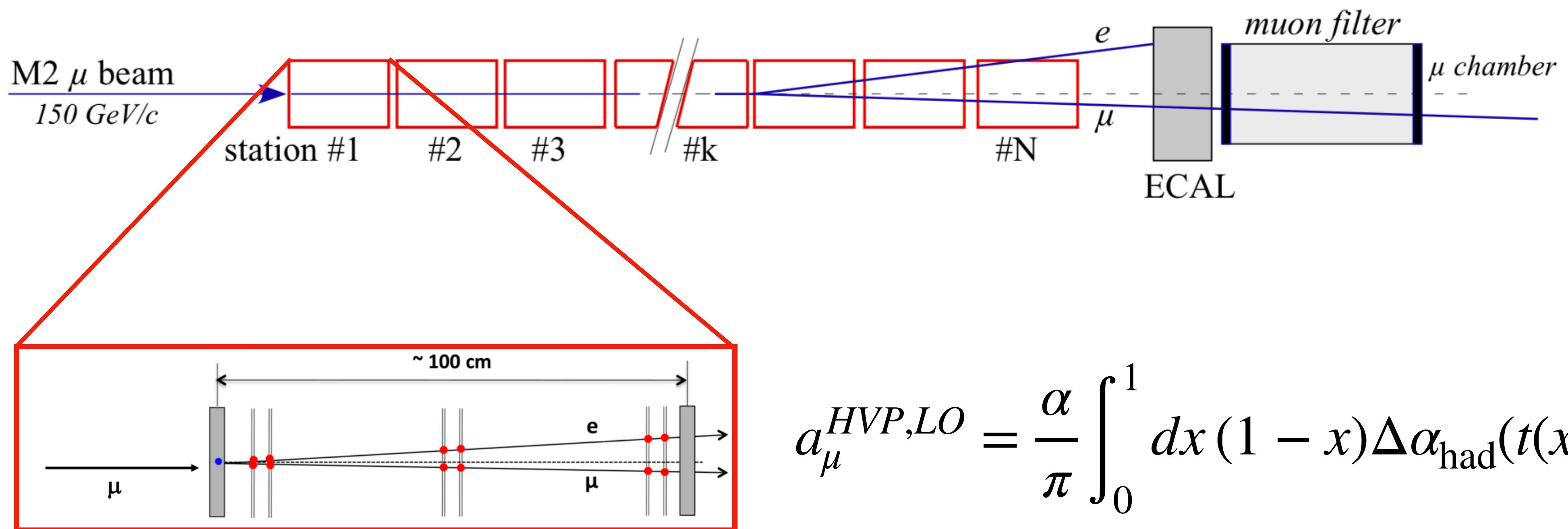
## Shifting KLOE I2, BES III and BaBar



Recast all searches using  
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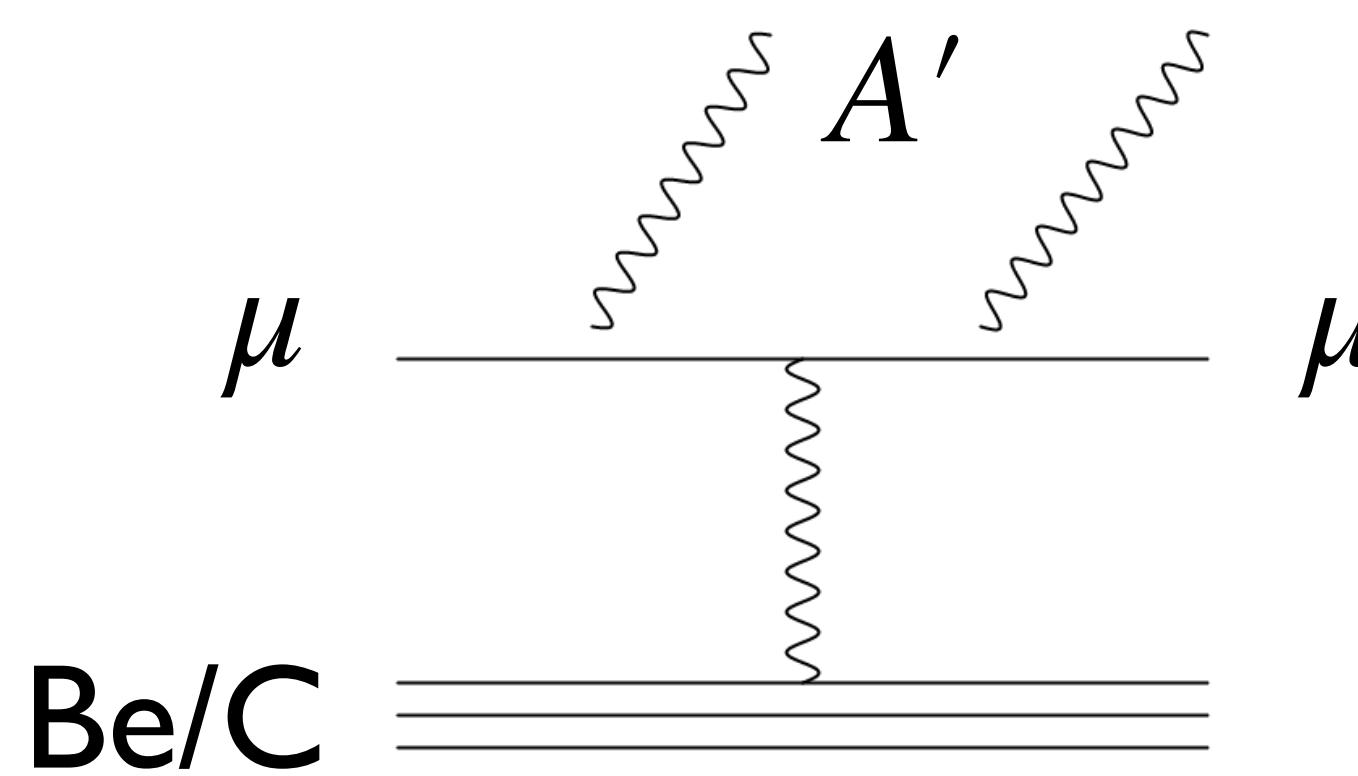


# MUonE



$$a_\mu^{HVP,LO} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \Delta \alpha_{\text{had}}(t(x))$$

[G<sup>2</sup>dC, Nardi '22]



**Be/C**

