

MesonNet Meeting

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from Monday, 29 September 2014 at **09:00** to Wednesday, 1 October 2014 at **14:30** (Europe/Rome)
at **INFN - Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati (Auditorium B. Touschek)**

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Description



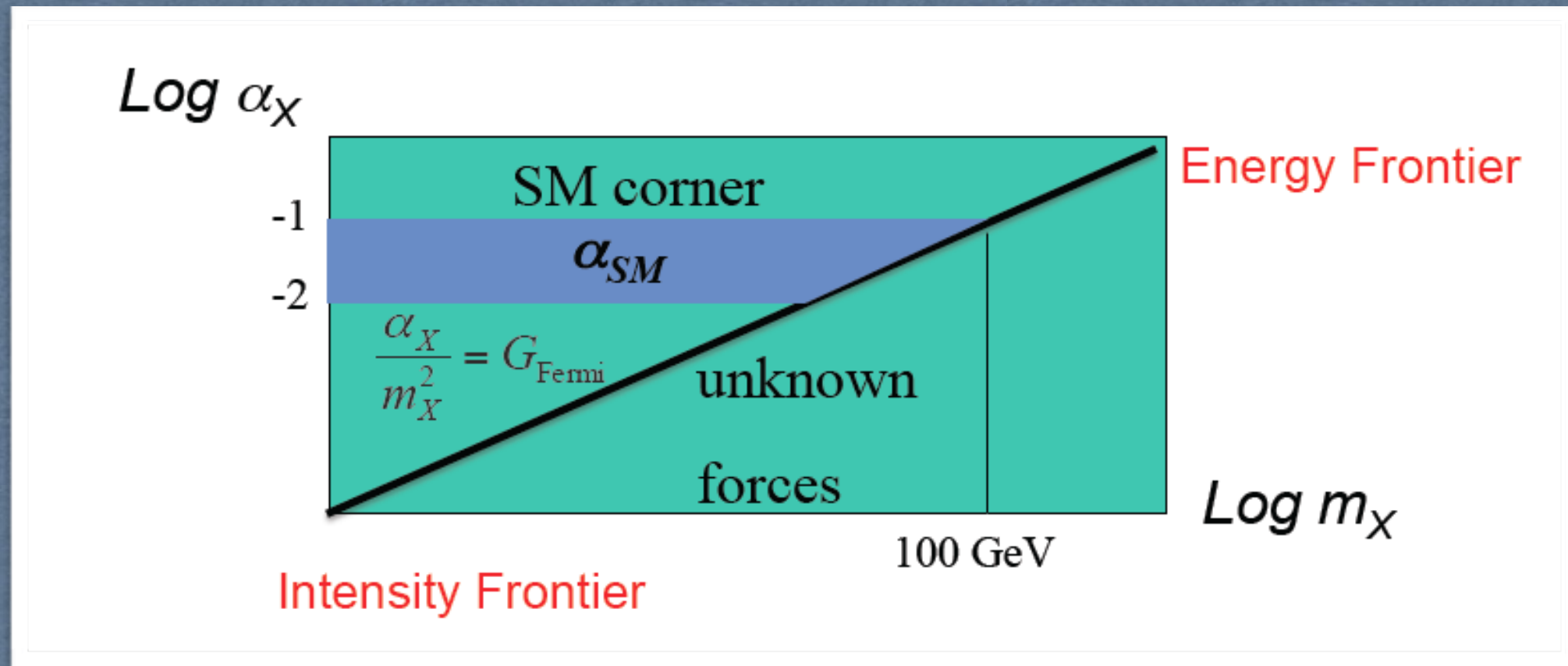
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September 29th - October 1st
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Status of dark photon searches

M.Battaglieri
INFN-GE, Italy

- * Physics case (top-down)
- * Experimental evidence (bottom-up)
- * Today: latest results in Heavy [Dark] Photon search
- * Tomorrow: hunting HP invisible decays

How to look for new physics



LHC range: $m_X \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$, $\alpha_X \sim \alpha_{SM}$

First results show no hints of new strongly-interacting states or new heavy EW bosons (other than Higgs)

What about if: $m_X \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$, $\alpha_X < 10^{-6}$?

Important progress in neutrino physics, dark matter sensitivity, precise frontier measurements

Precise experiments at low/moderate energy!

Forces in nature

4 fundamental interactions known so far: strong, electromagnetic, weak and gravitational

Are there other interactions? how could we know about?
what could be their properties?

Particles, interactions and symmetries

Known
particles &
new force-
carriers

Particles:
quarks, leptons

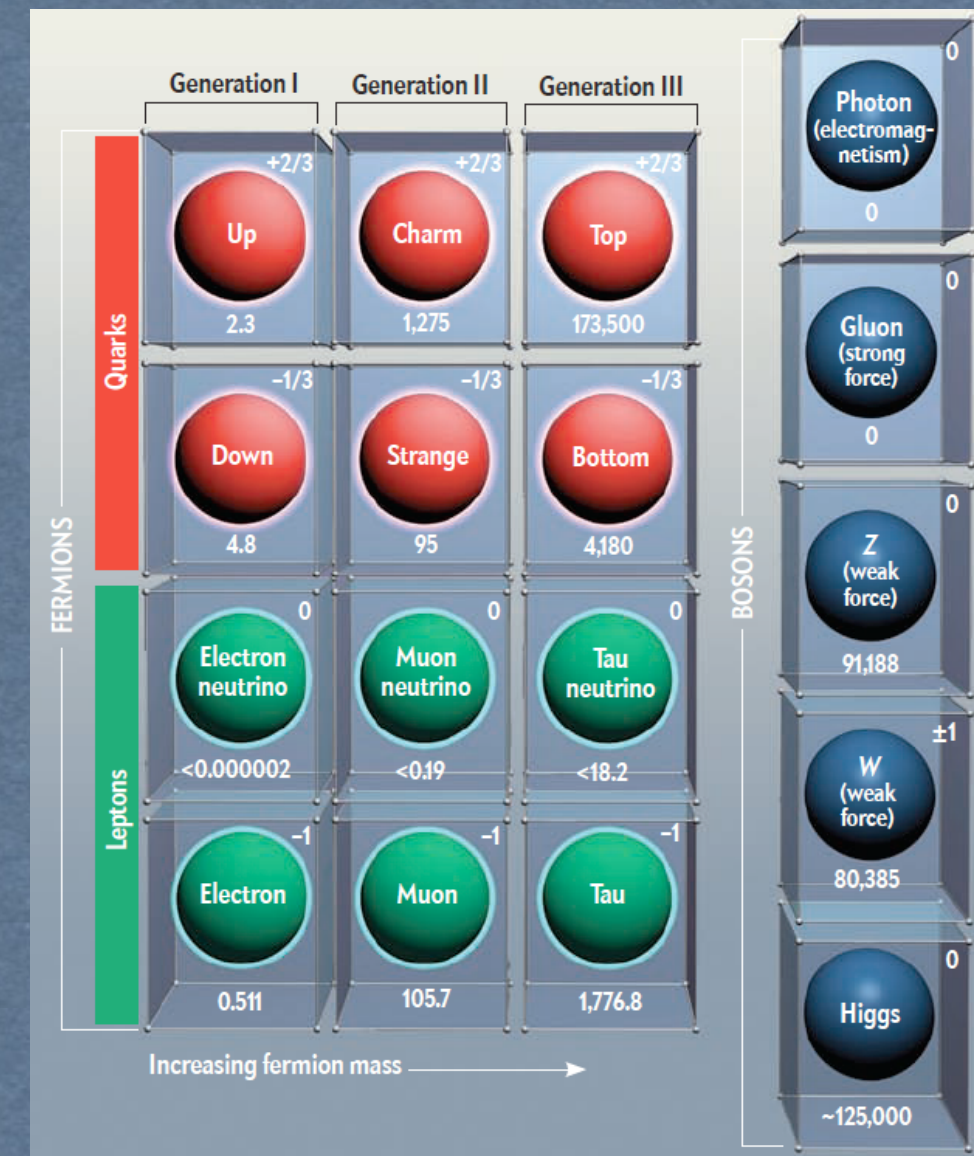
Force-carriers:
gluons, γ , W, Z, graviton (?), Higgs, ...

Dark Matter

New particles
& new force-
carriers

Spin-1: U bosons ('hidden' or 'dark' photons)
Spin-0: Axions (or axion-like particles)
Spin-0 (scalars): Higgs-like

New bosons are expected to mediate new interactions



Neutral doors (*Portals*) to include DM in the SM

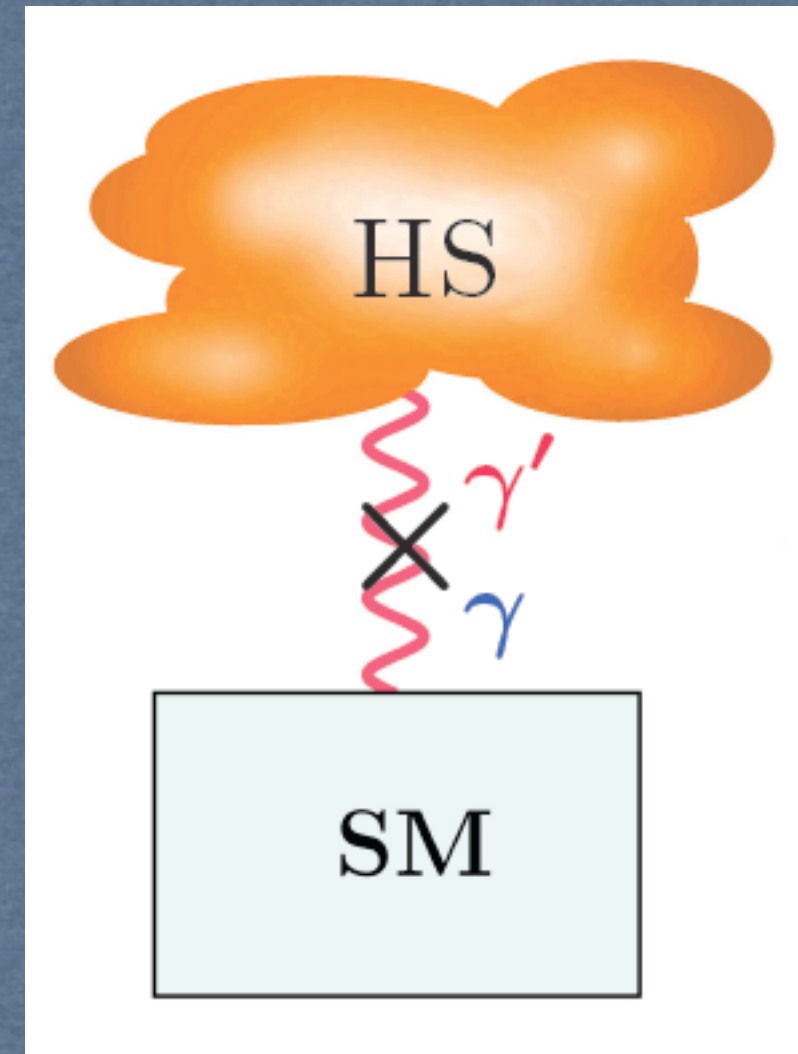
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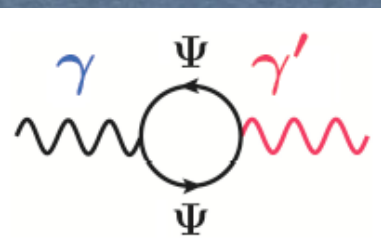
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- * Hidden sector (HS)
present in string theory and super-symmetries
- * HS not charged under SM gauge groups (and v.v.)
no direct interaction between HS and SM
HS-SM connection via messenger particles



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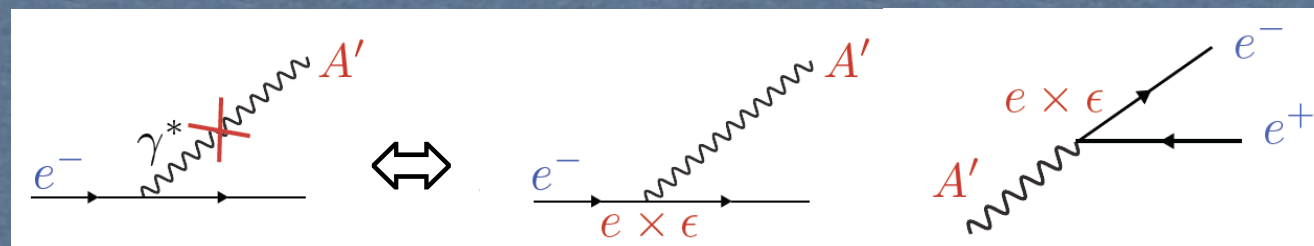
Hidden Visible



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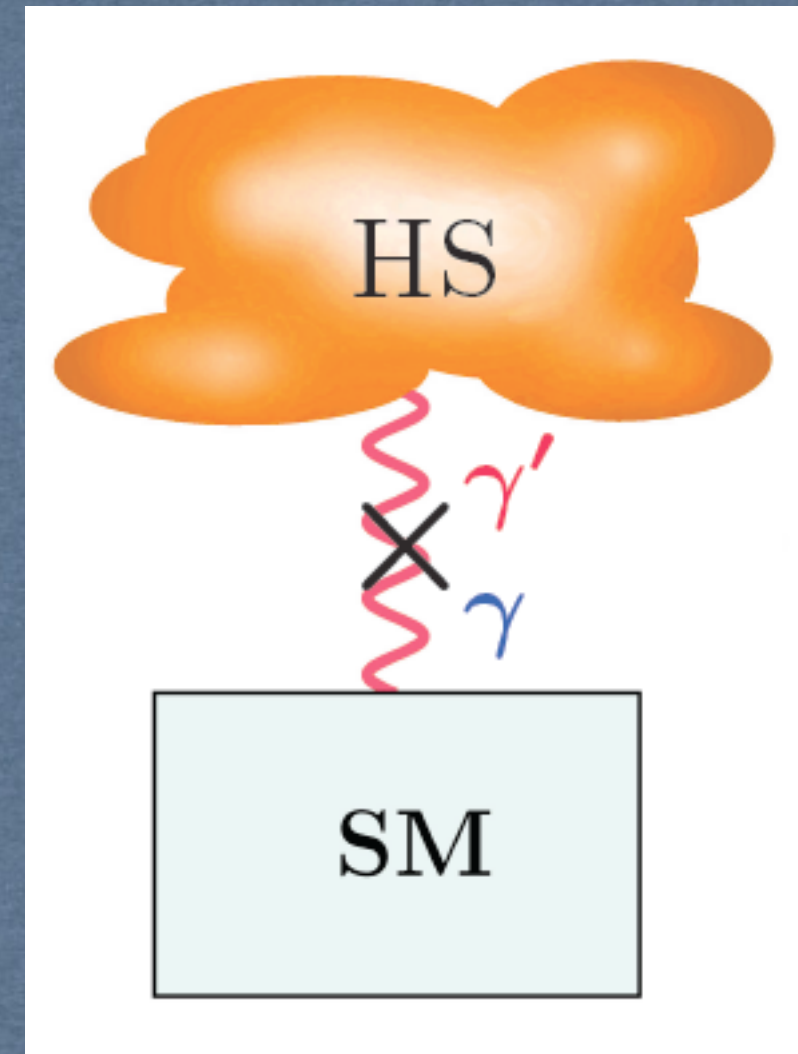
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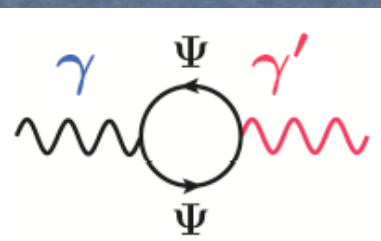
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γ'/A' mass depends on the model

$$\rightarrow m_{\gamma'}^2 \sim \chi M_{\text{EW}}^2 (M_Z \text{ or } \text{TeV}) \sim \text{MeV} - \text{GeV scale}$$

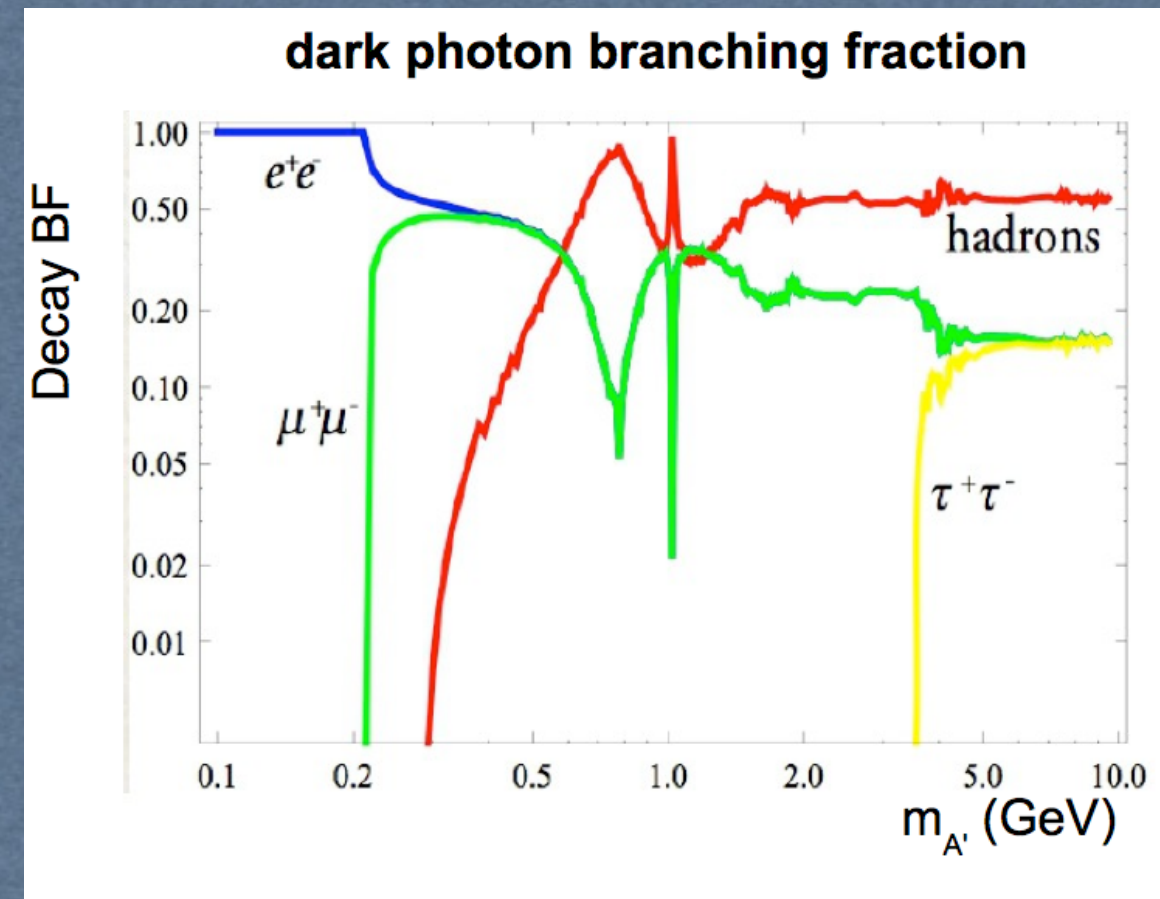
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Consequences

Assumptions:

$M_{A'} > 1$ MeV and no light dark fermions

- γ'/A' decay back to SM particles
 - Prompt decay
 - $\text{BF}(A' \rightarrow \text{hadrons}/A' \rightarrow \text{leptons}) \sim M^2(A')$
- Above 1.2 GeV hadronic decays dominate



γ'/A' decays in leptons

→ **abundance of e^+e^- in Universe**

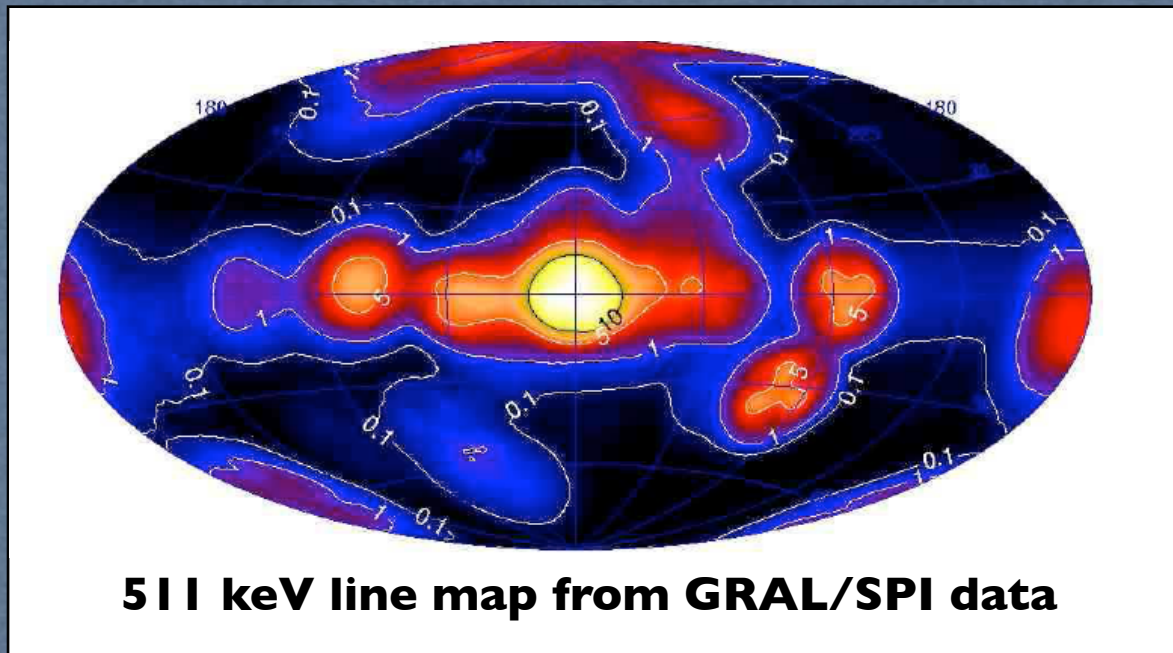
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→ **short range modification of EM interaction**

γ'/A' couples weakly to SM particles

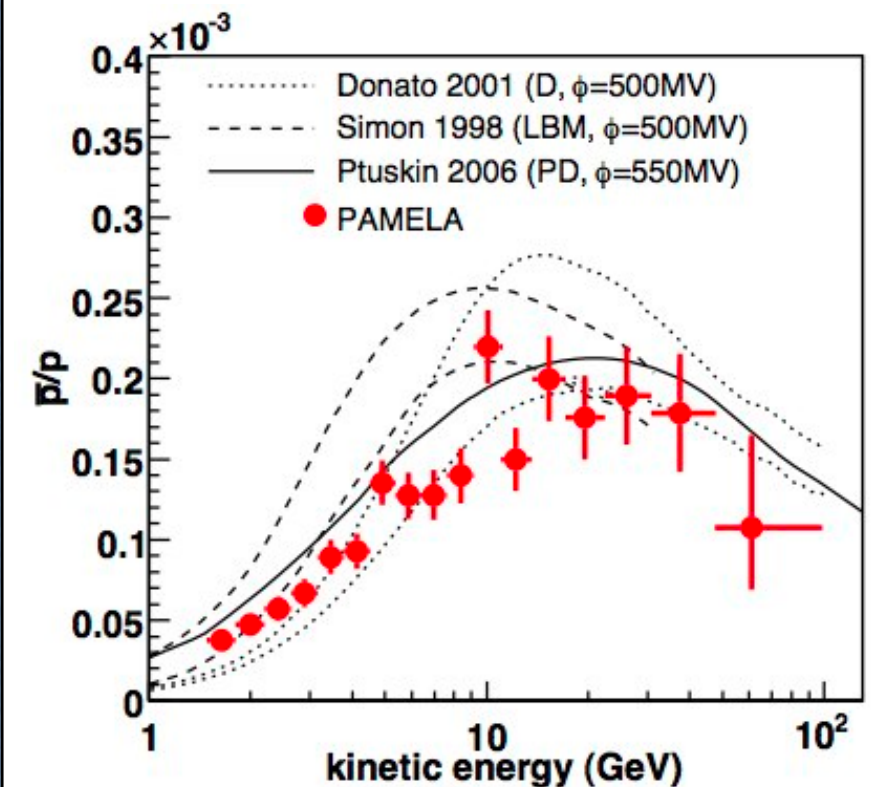
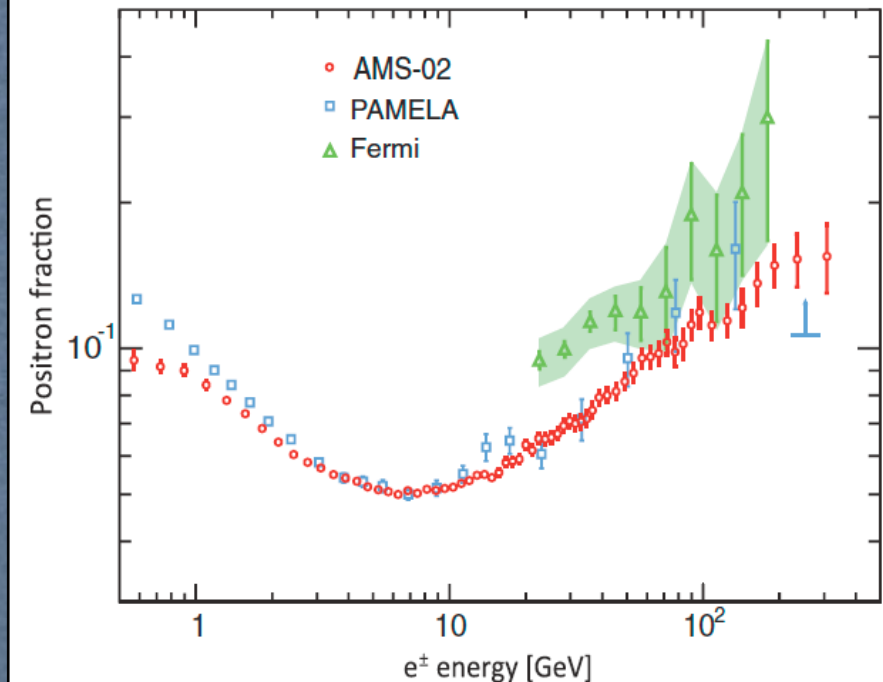
→ **long lived states**

Astrophysical motivation: the 511 keV line

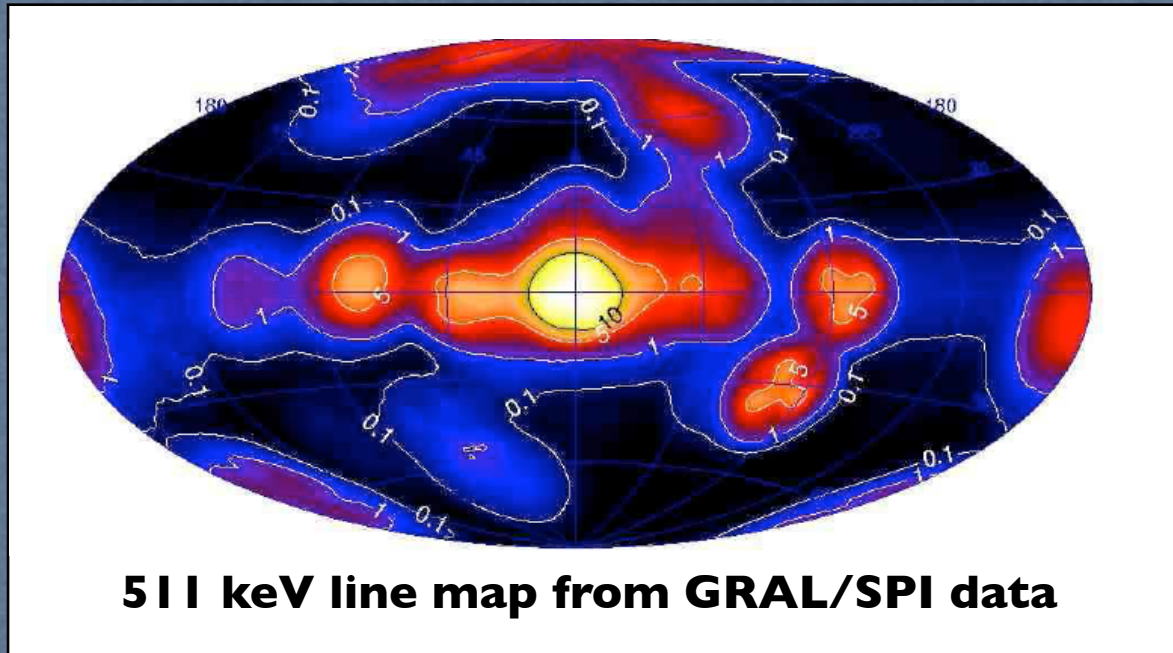


- * Unexplained concentration of 511 keV line from the galactic center
- * Diffuse emission of $e^+ e^-$ annihilation (?)
- * Increasing fraction of e^+/e^- measured by PAMELA
- * No surprise with antiprotons (sub GeV mass gauge boson?)
- * It is very difficult to explain PAMELA results with standard DM (WIMPS): needs a boost of 100-1000

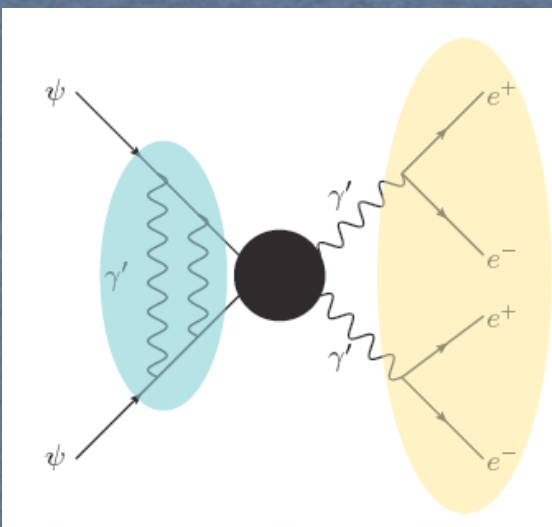
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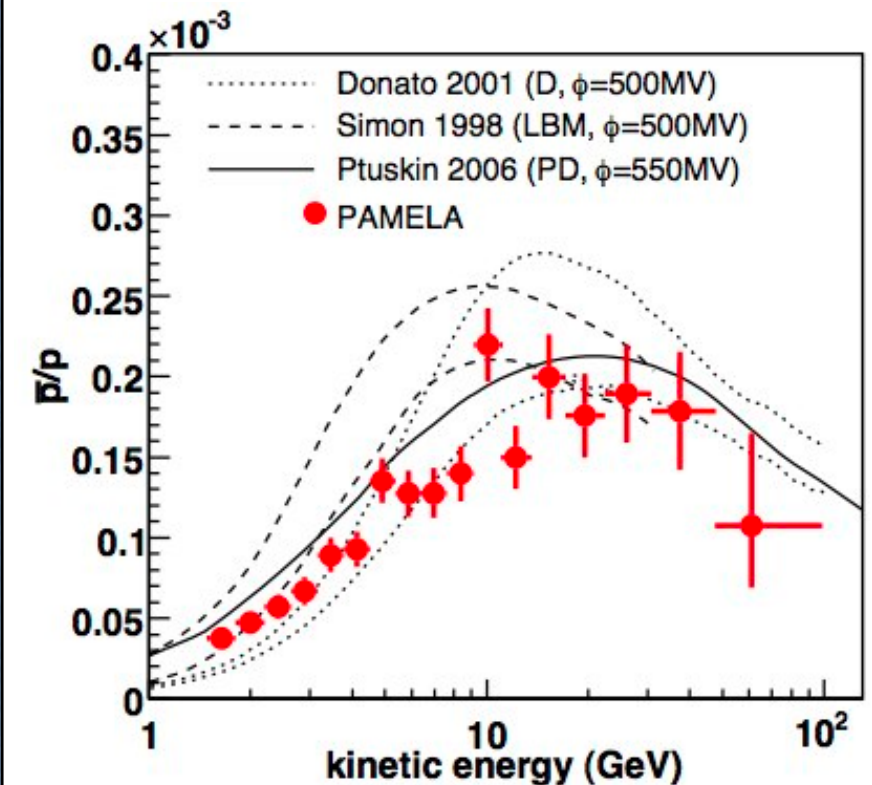
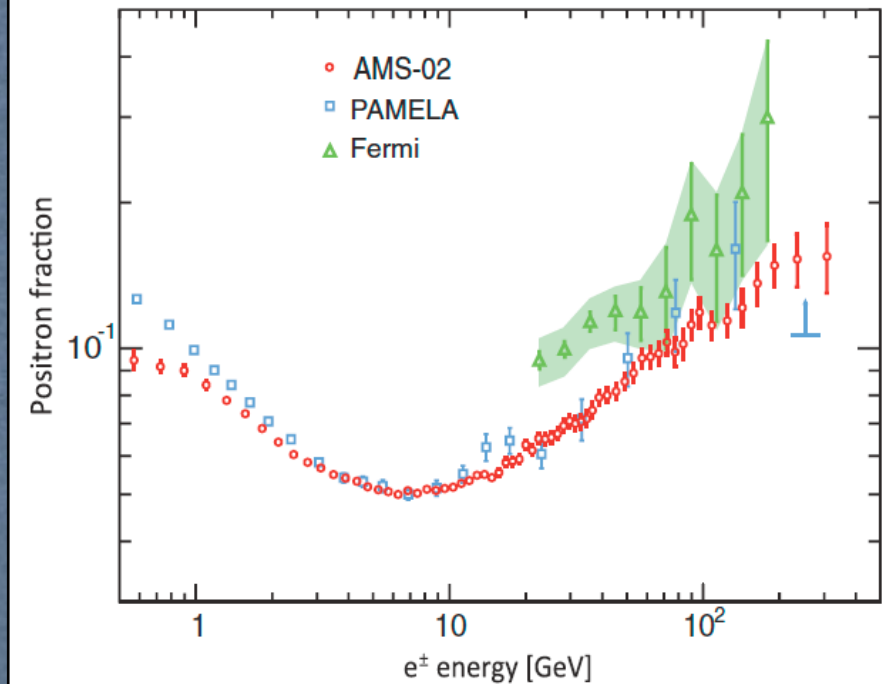


Dark forces may explain it by
DM annihilation in $A' \rightarrow e^+e^-$



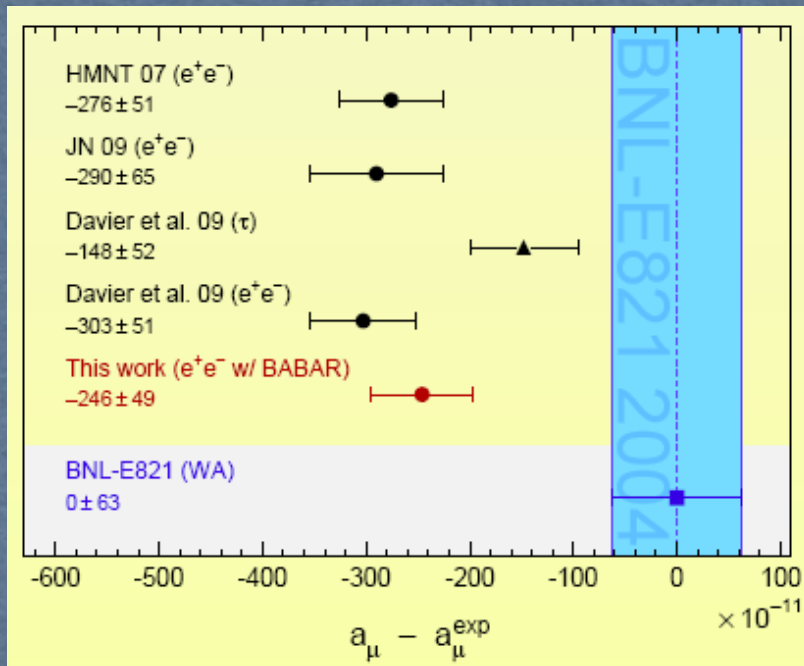
- 1) enhancement in e^+ yield
- 2) hard e^+ spectrum
- 3) no anti-p excess if $M_{A'} < 2 M_p$

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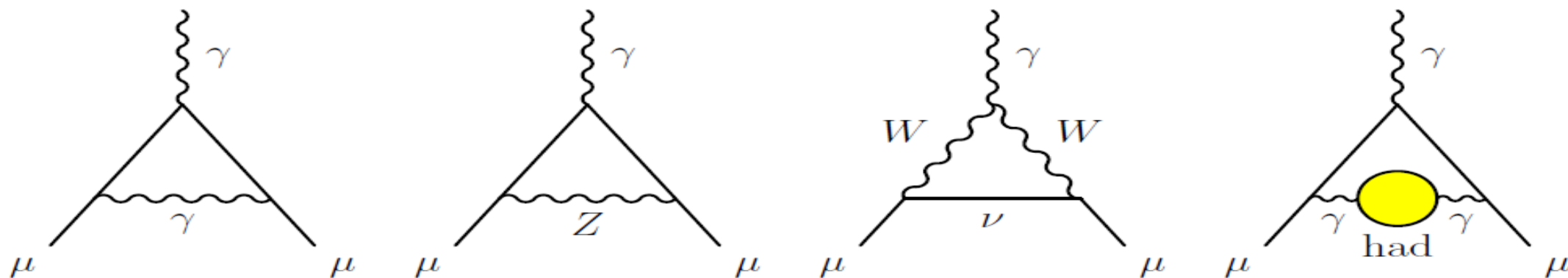
g-2 of muon



- * g-2 is expected to be 0
- * Discrepancy $> 3\sigma$
- * Some (complicated) strong interaction dynamic?
- * New physics?

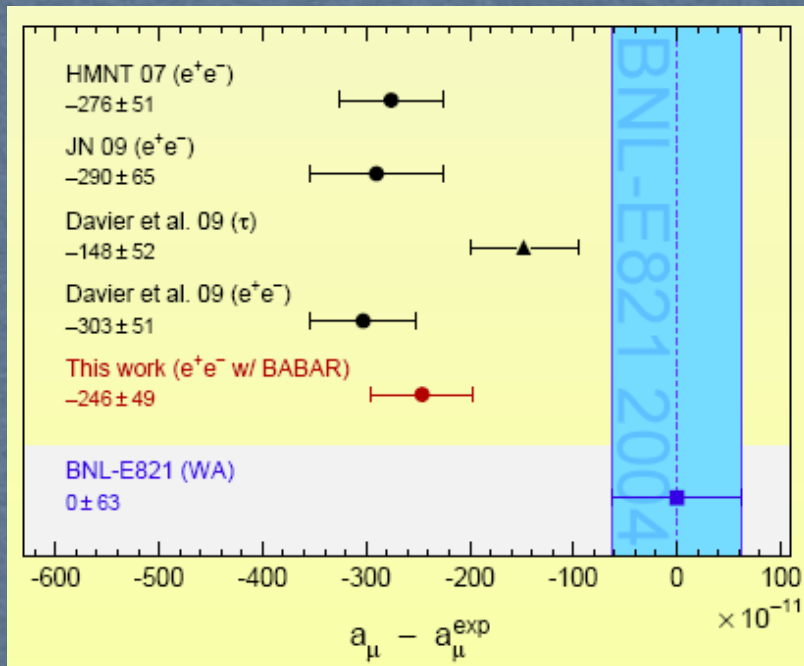
Standard Model Prediction

$$a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = a_\mu^{\text{QED}} + a_\mu^{\text{EW}} + a_\mu^{\text{Hadronic}}$$



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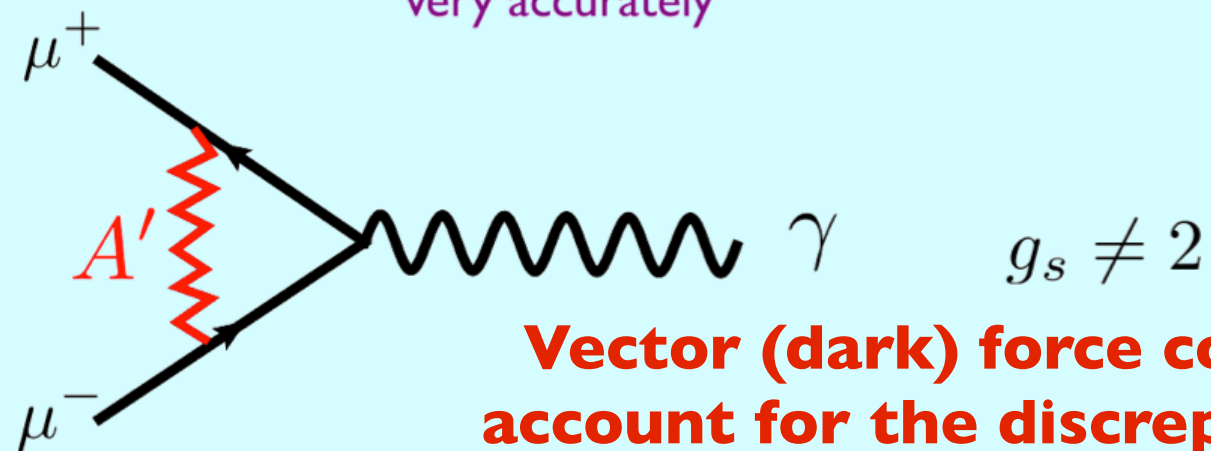
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magnetic dipole moment

$$\vec{\mu} = g_s \left(\frac{q}{2m} \right) \vec{s}$$

can be measured very accurately



Vector (dark) force could account for the discrepancy

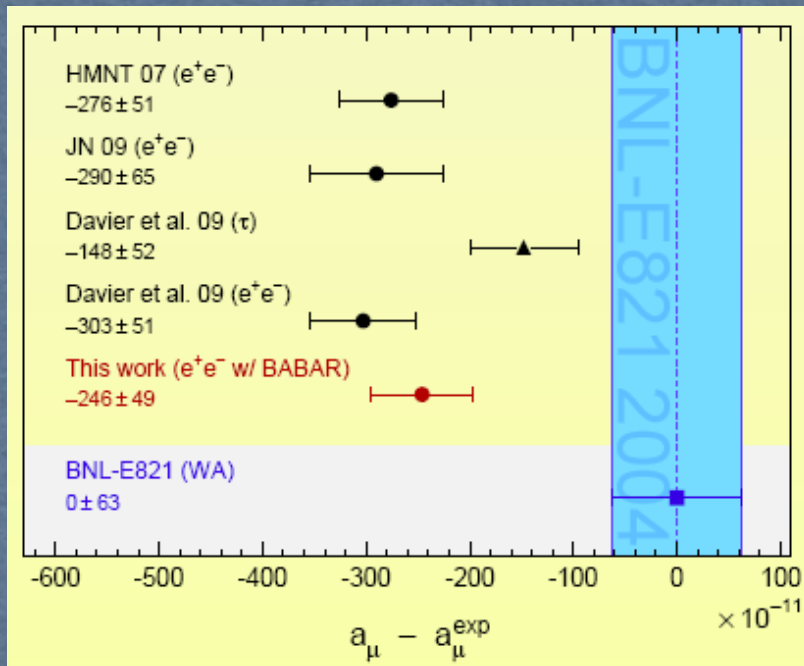
Contribution to g-2 from dark photon

$$a_\mu^{\text{dark photon}} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \varepsilon^2 F(m_V/m_\mu), \quad (17)$$

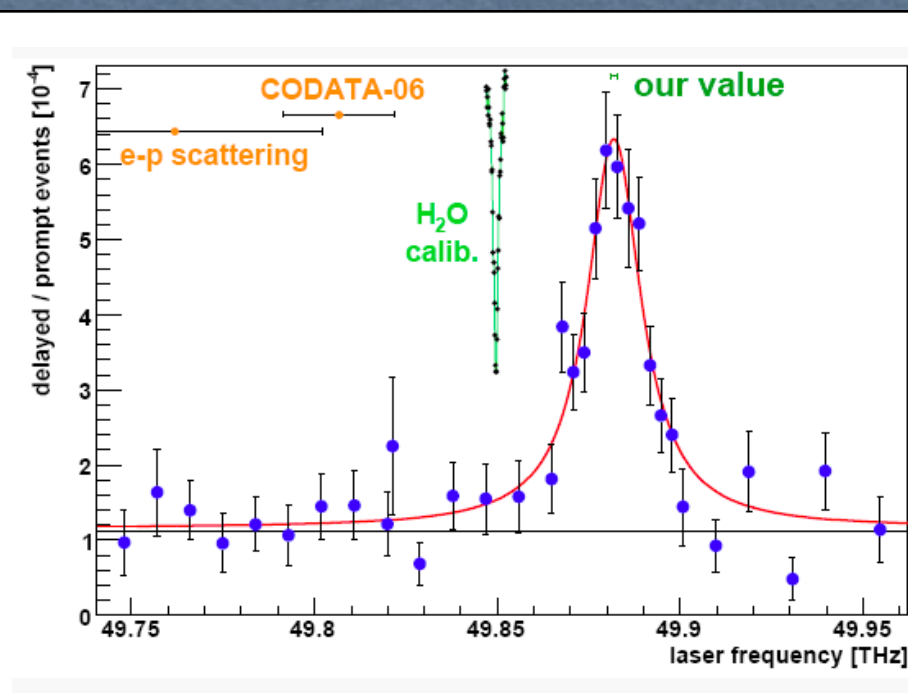
where $F(x) = \int_0^1 2z(1-z)^2 / [(1-z)^2 + x^2z] dz$. For values of $\varepsilon \sim 1-2 \cdot 10^{-3}$ and $m_V \sim 10-100$ MeV, the dark photon, which was originally motivated by cosmology, can provide a viable solution to the muon $g-2$ discrepancy. Searches for the dark

Modification of EM

g-2 of muon



muonic hydrogen Lamb shift

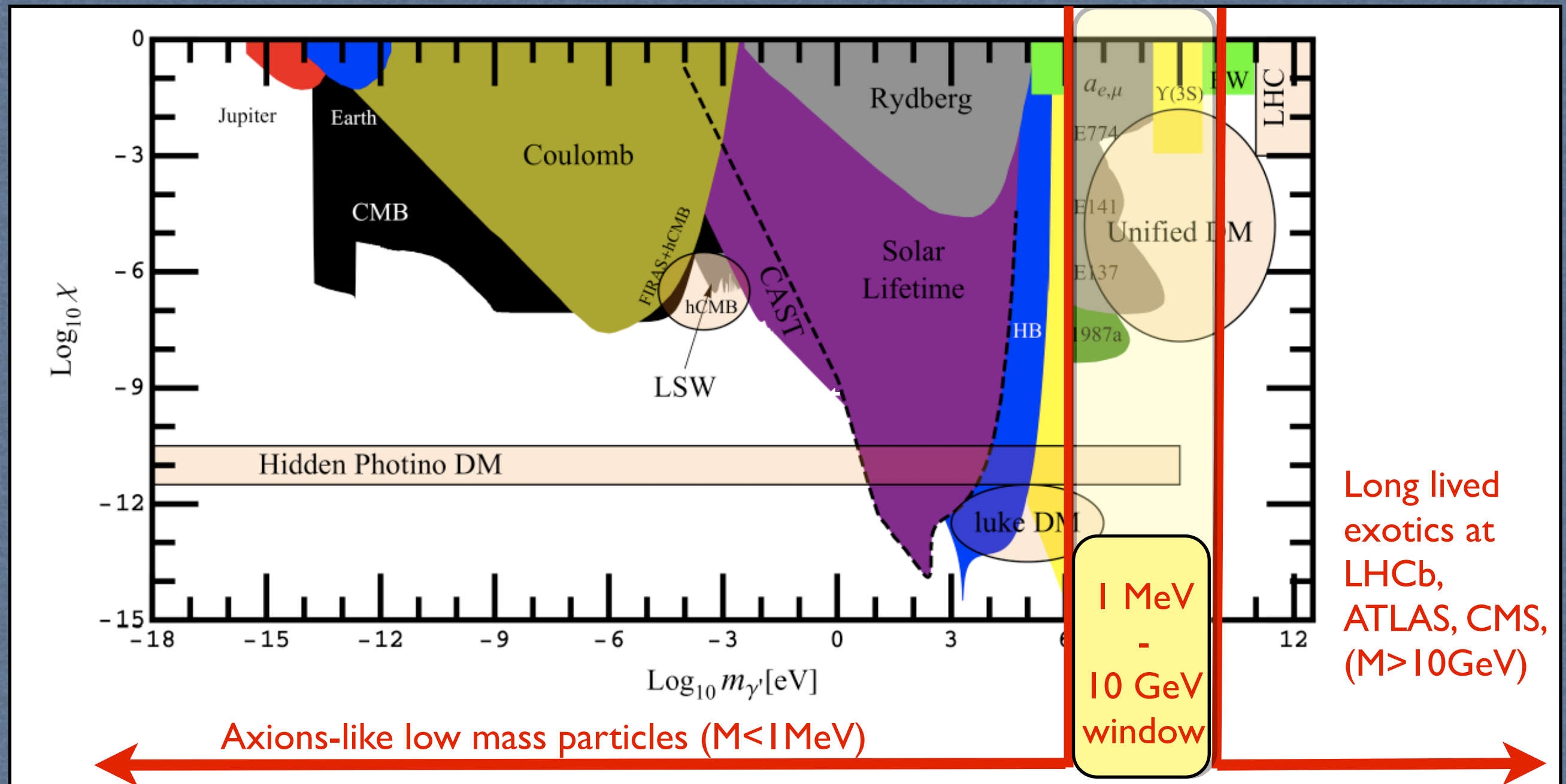


$$r_p = 0.84184(67) \text{ fm} \quad u_r^{\text{th}} = 8 \times 10^{-4}$$

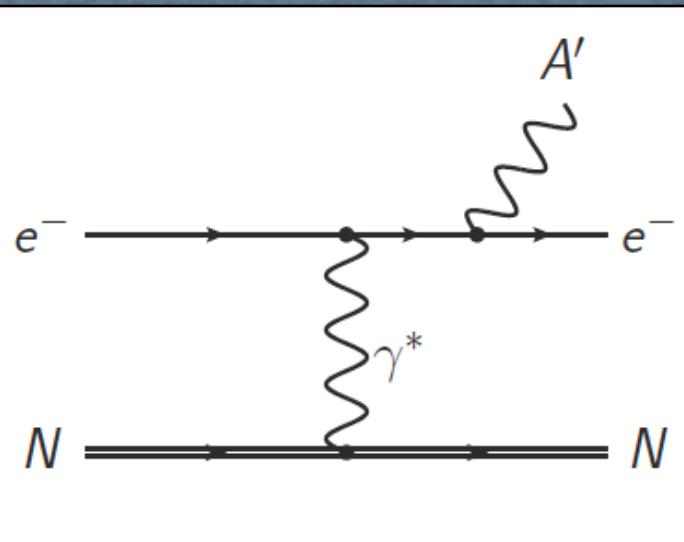
CODATA 2006: $r_p = (0.8768 \pm 0.0069) \text{ fm}$, from H
 e-p scattering: $r_p = (0.895 \pm 0.018) \text{ fm}$ (2%)

- * muon 200 times closer to p (w.r.t. hydrogen)
- * New forces for muon?

Where to look for?



Particle physics search of A'/γ' (hidden photon)



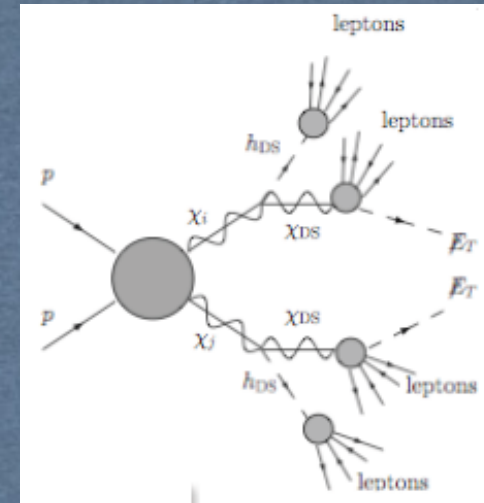
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$e N \rightarrow N \gamma' \rightarrow N \text{ Lepton Lepton}^+$
→ JLAB, MAINZ

High Energy

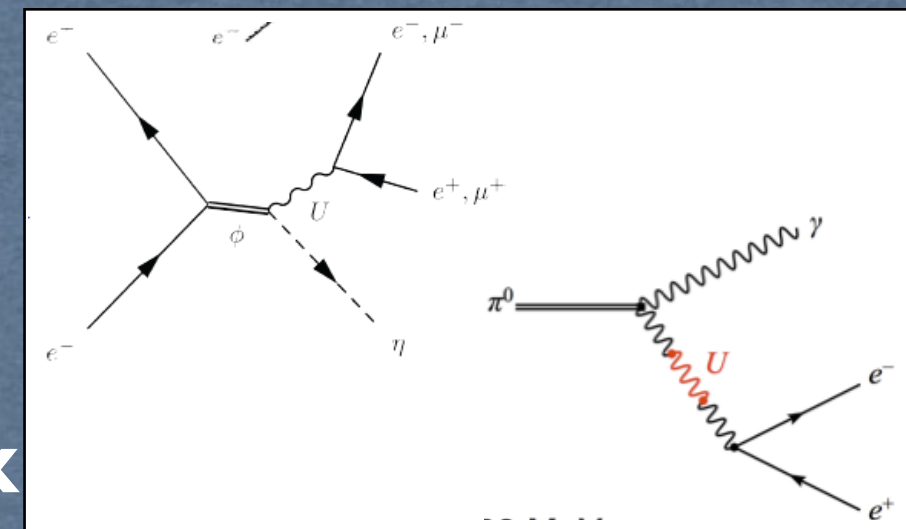
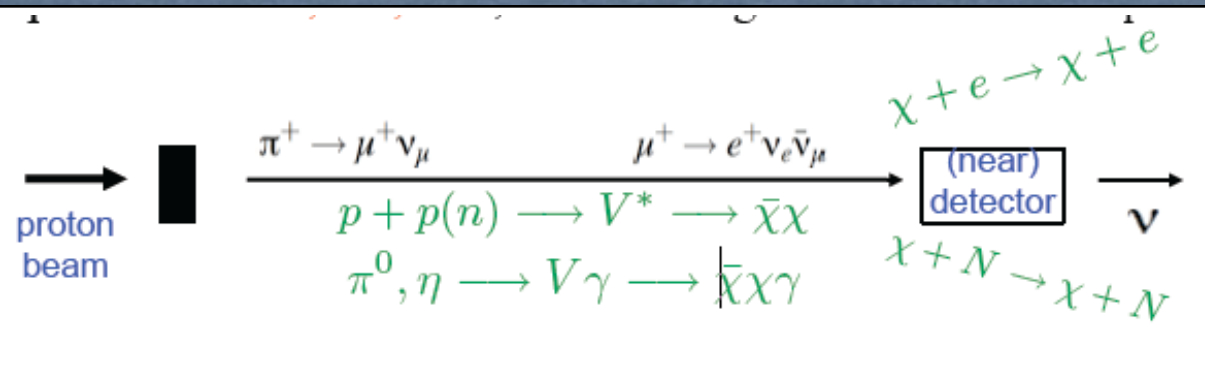
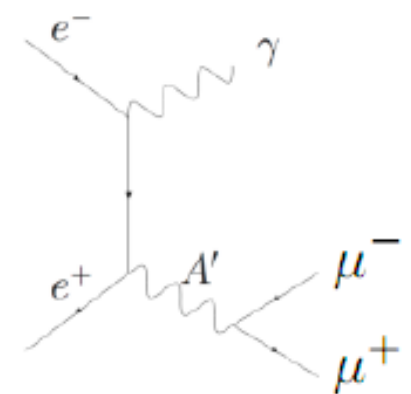
Hadron Colliders:

$pp \rightarrow \text{lepton jets}$
→ ATLAS, CMS, CDF&D0



Annihilation:

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma' \gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu \gamma$
→ BABAR, BELLE, KLOE, CLEO



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Meson decays:

$\pi^0, \eta, \eta', \omega' \rightarrow \gamma' \gamma (M)$
 $\rightarrow \text{Lepton Lepton} + \gamma (M)$
→ KLOE, BES3, WASA-COSY, PHENIX

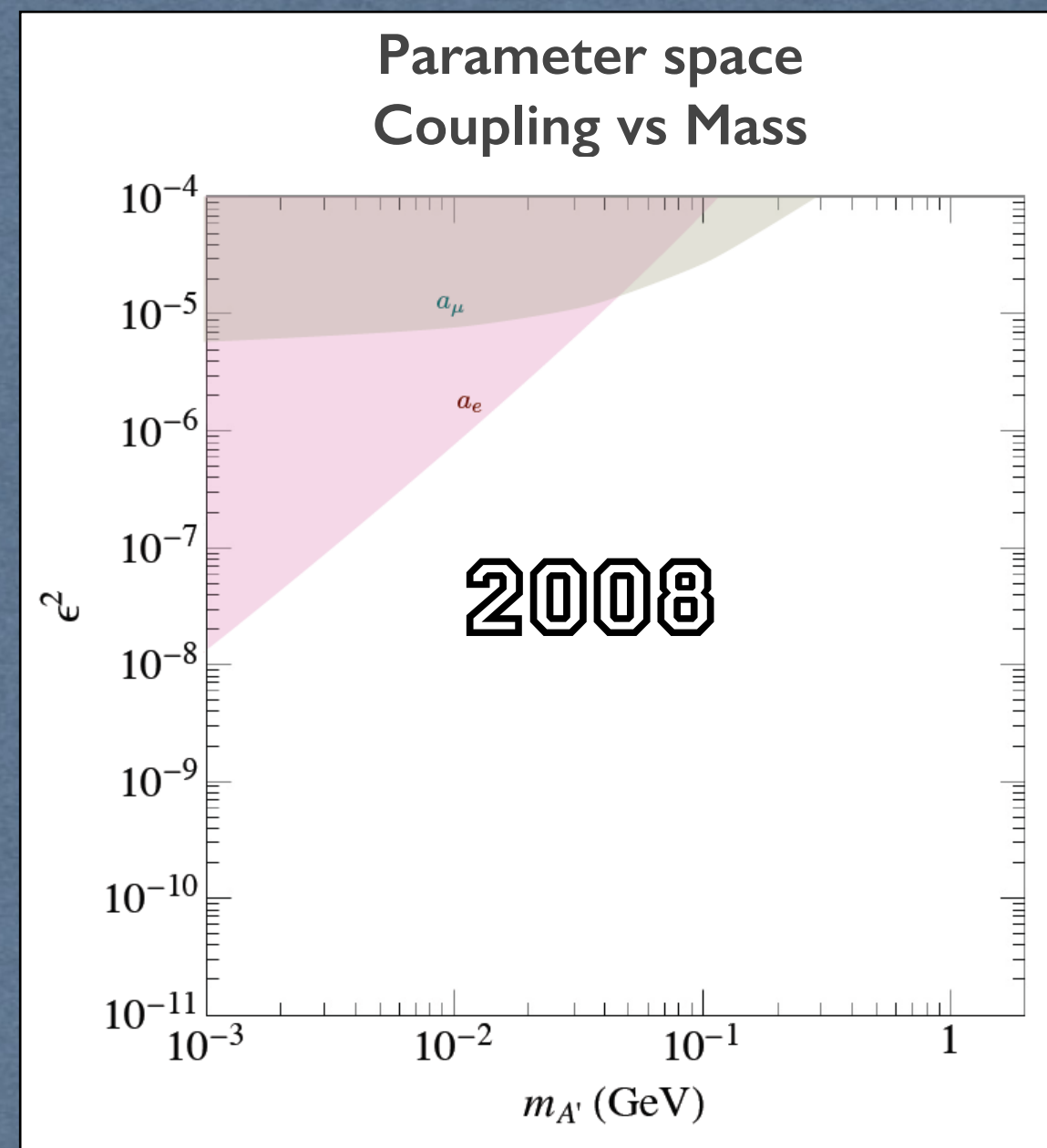
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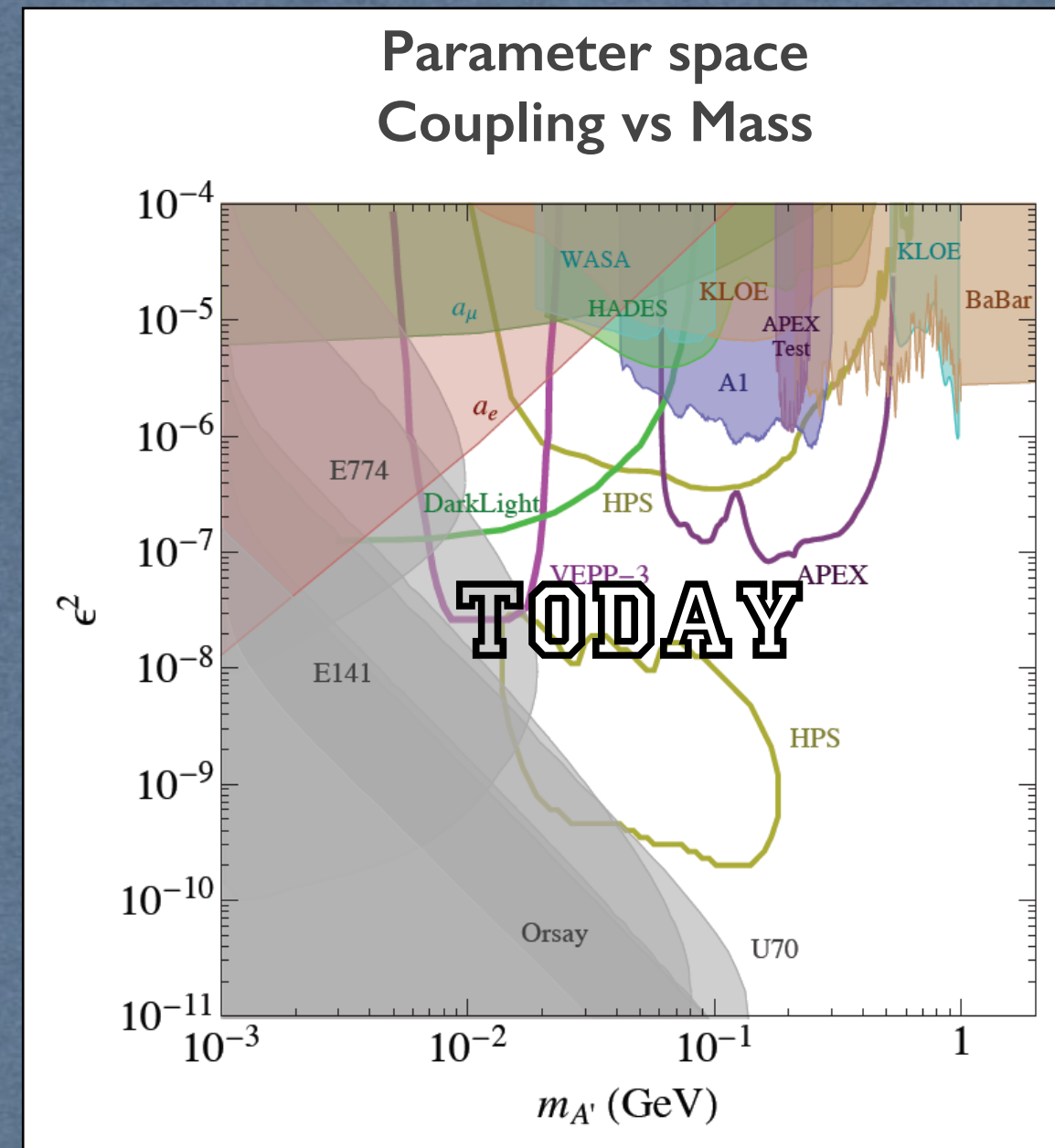
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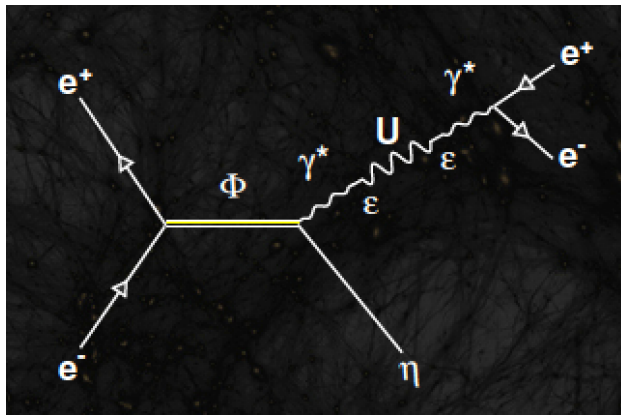
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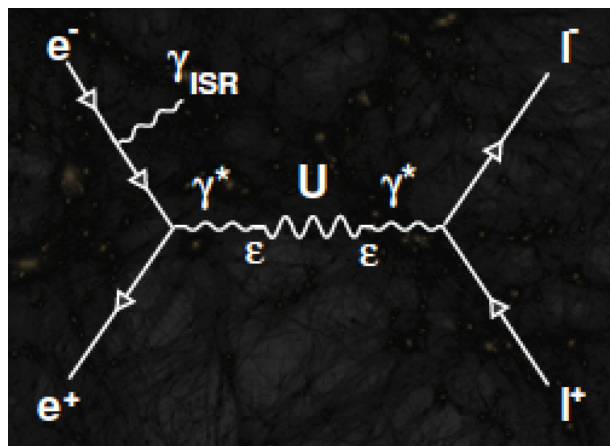
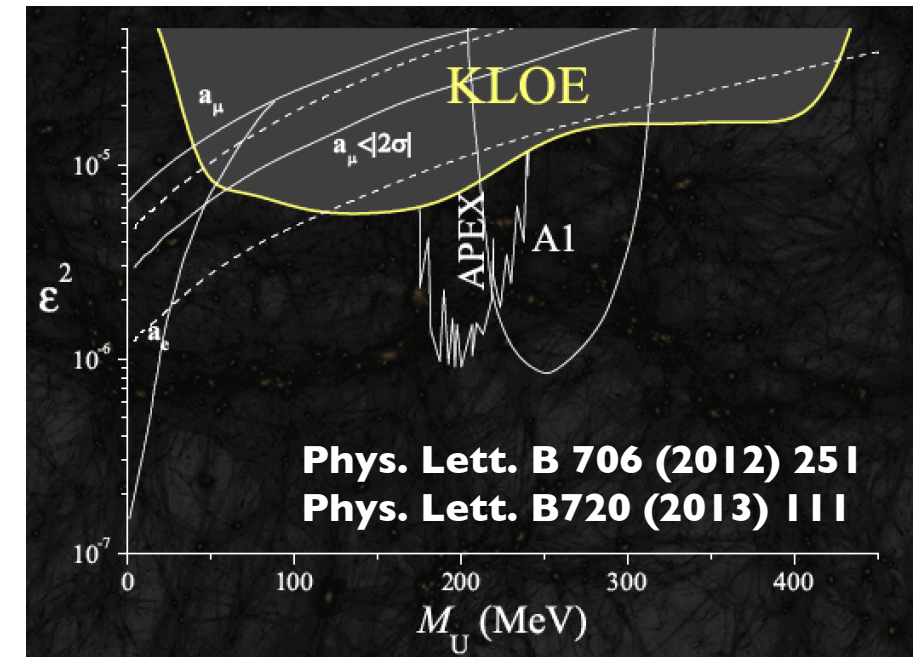
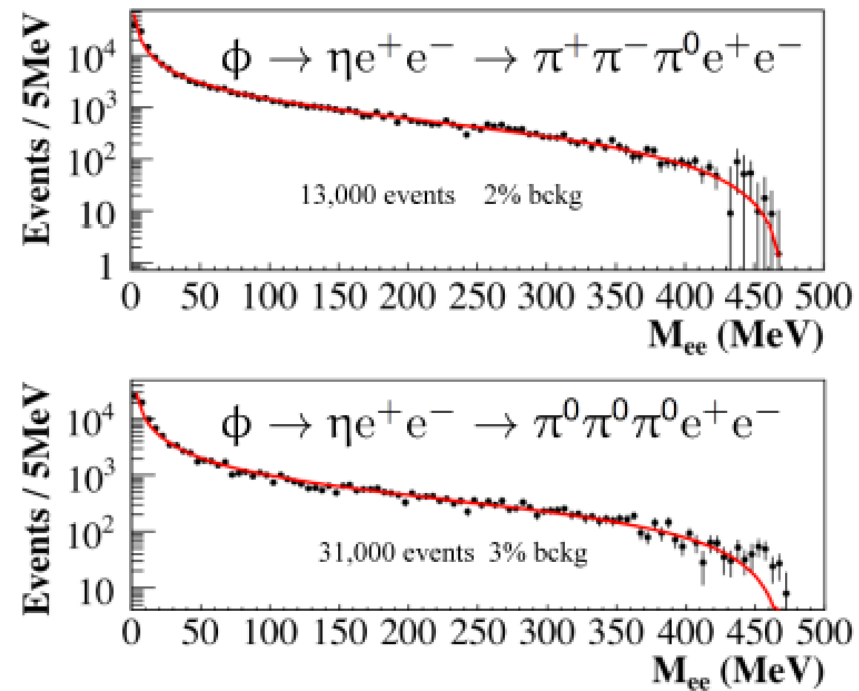
**No positive signal (so far) but
limits in parameter space
coupling vs mass**



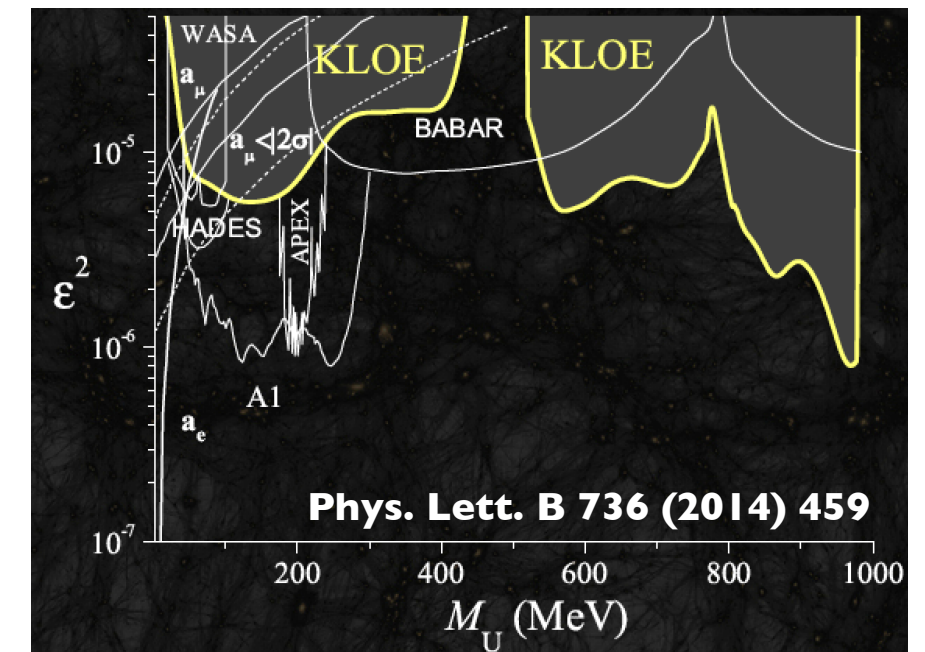
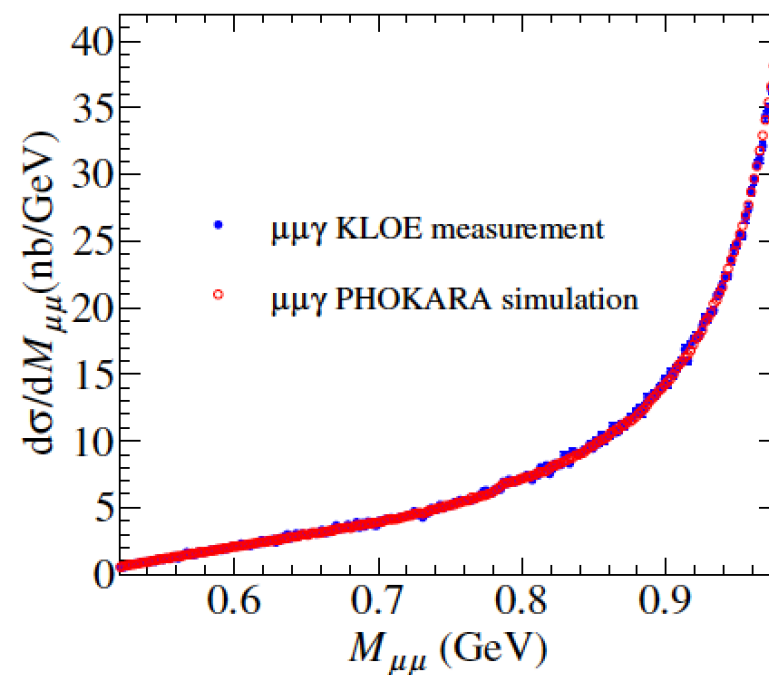
e^+e^- Colliders - Recent Results



- Events with e^+e^- detected
- $L \sim 1.5 - 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



- Events with $\mu^+\mu^-$ detected
- $L \sim 240 \text{ pb}^{-1}$



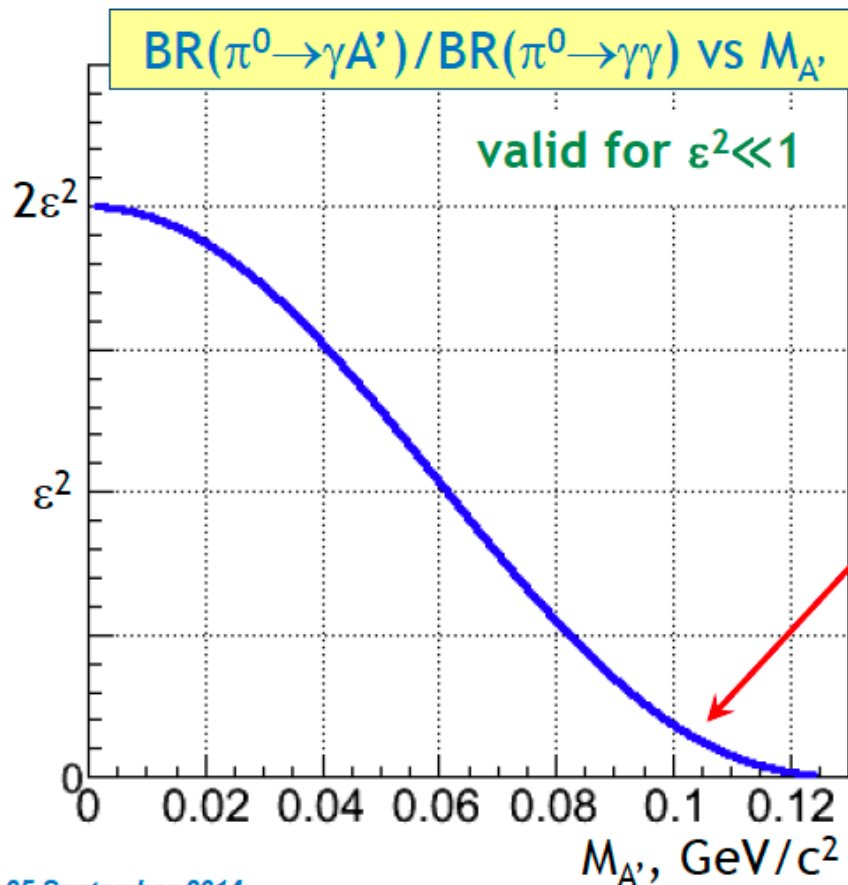
Meson Decay - Recent Results

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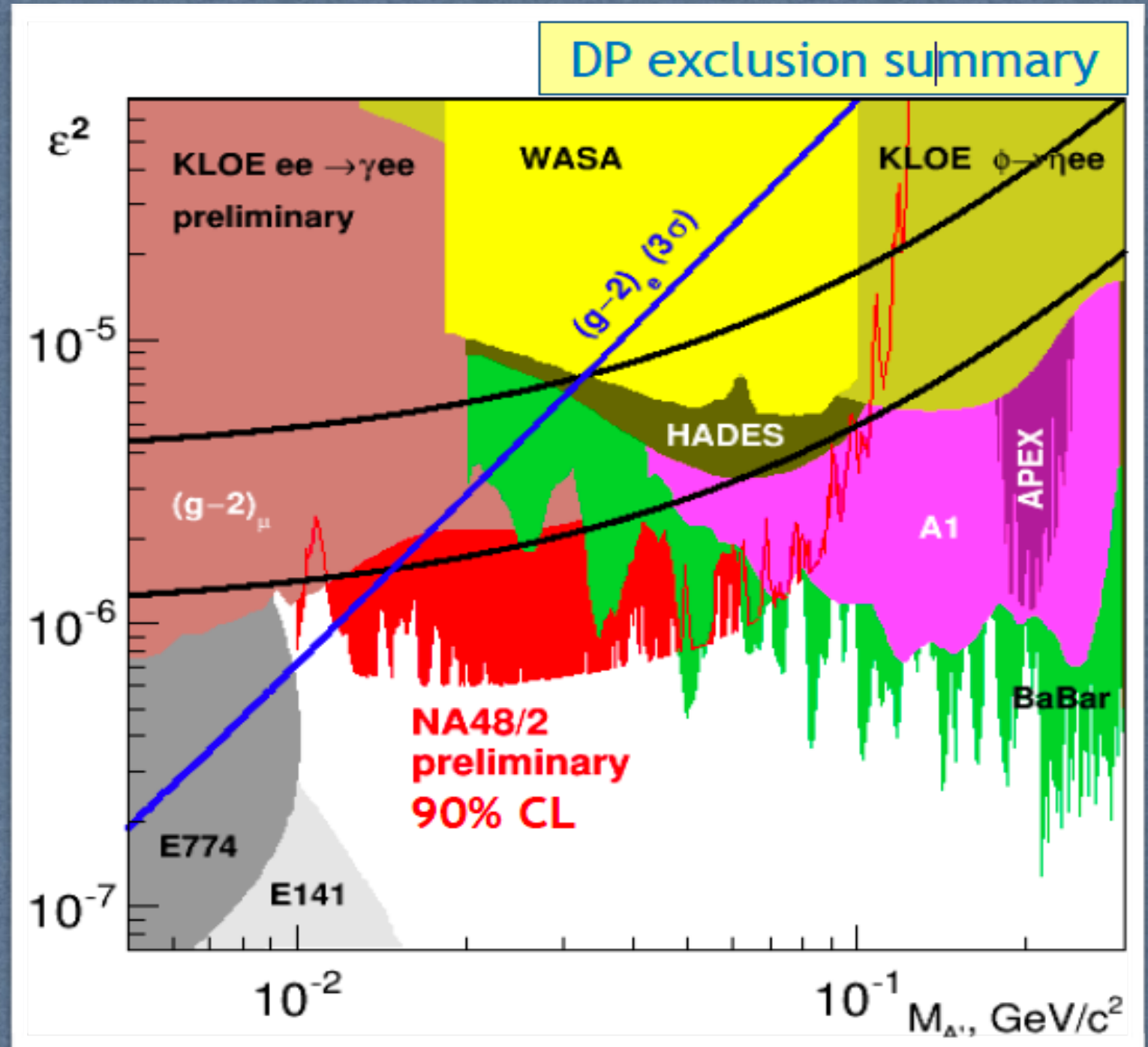
$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma A'$$

$$K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0, \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma A', A' \rightarrow e^+ e^-$$

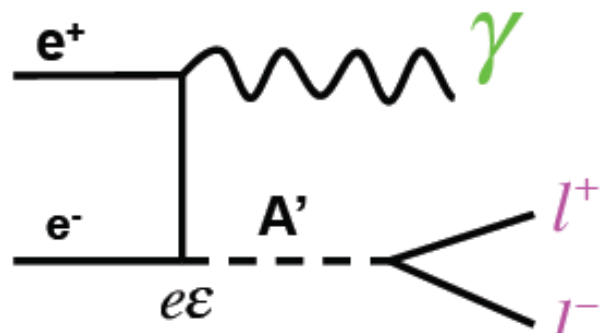
- $4 \times 10^{10} \pi^0$
- Acceptance $\sim 2.5\%$
- $\delta M \sim 1\% M_{ee}$



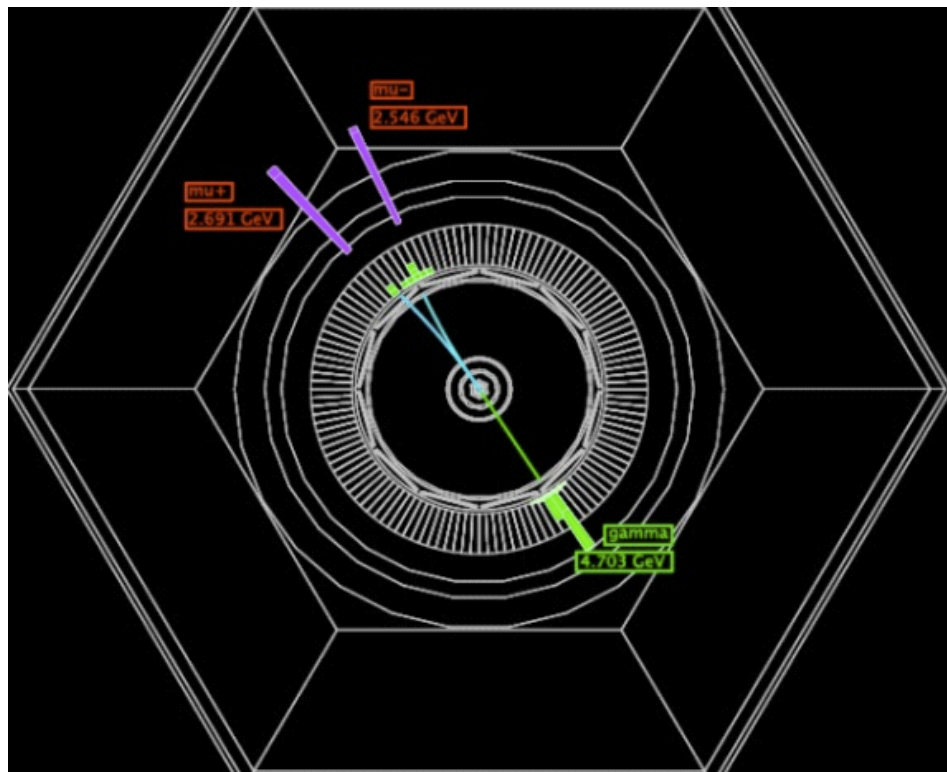
E. Goudzovski
Messina, 25 September 2014



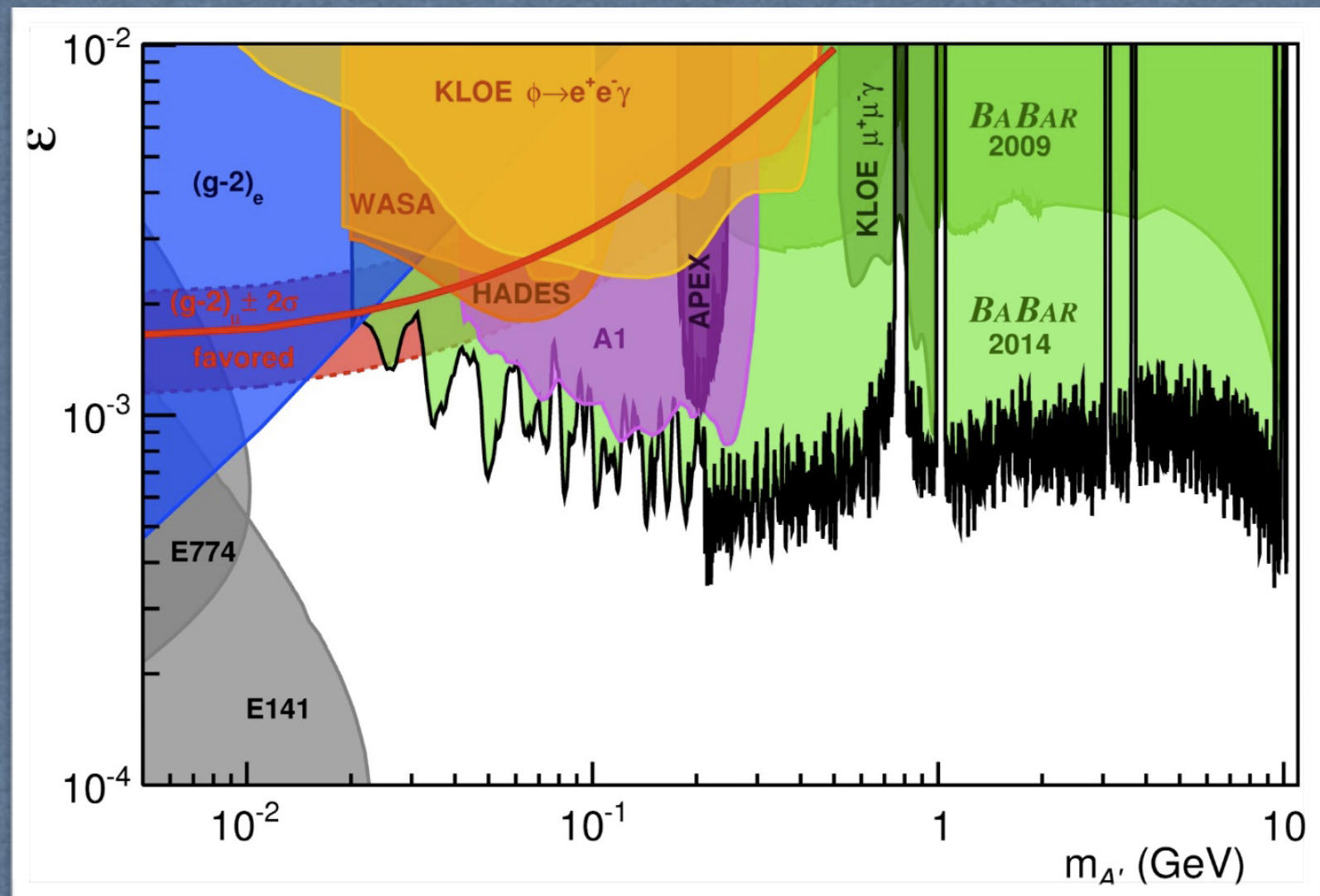
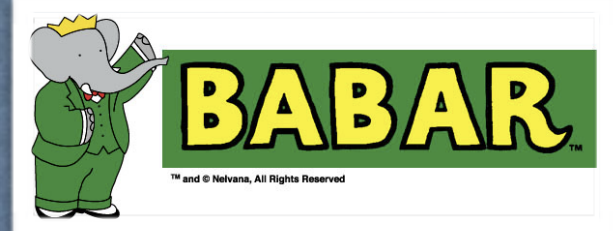
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- Events with 1 gamma + 2 opposite leptons
- Di-lepton mass fit to a bg (all res included)
- Mass resolution: 1.5 MeV - 8 MeV
- Int (L) = 514 fb⁻¹

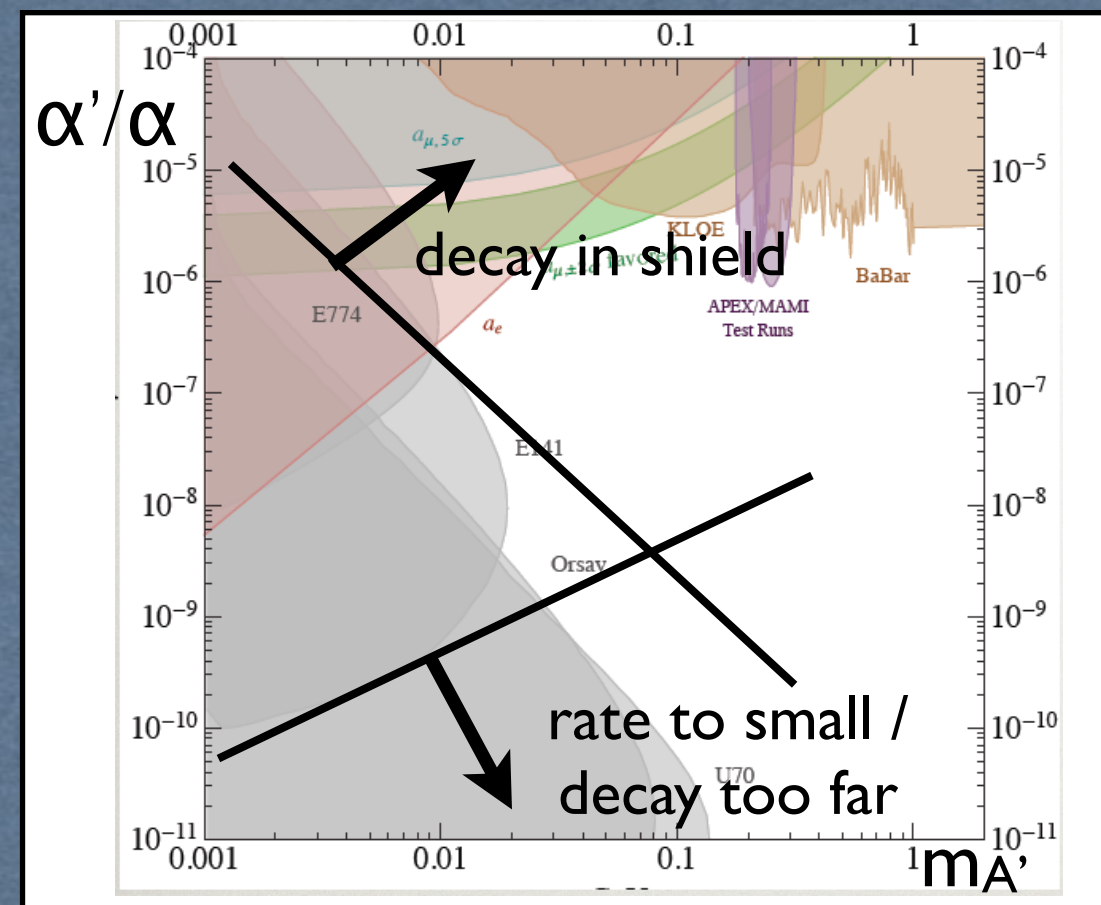
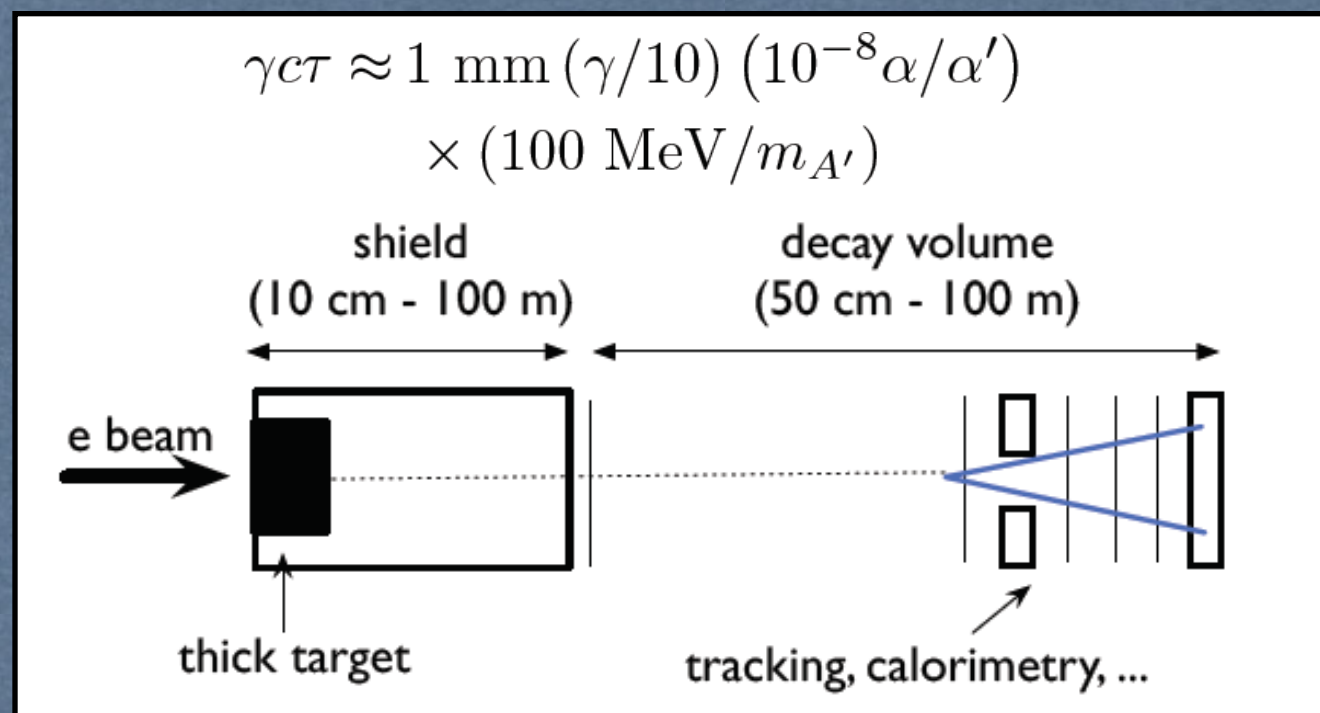
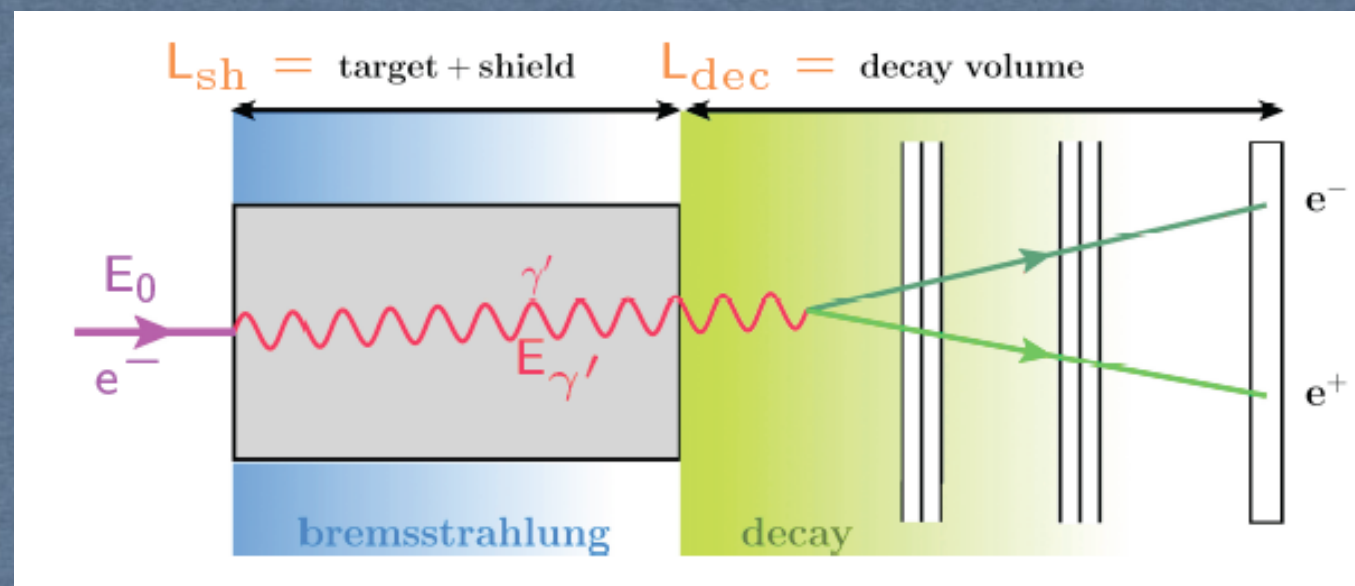


J.P. LEEs et al. (The BABAR Collaboration)
arXiv:1406.2980 [hep-ex]



1st generation fixed target exp: beam dump

- * e⁻ beam incident on thick target
- * A' is produced in a process similar to ordinary Bremsstrahlung
- * A' carries most of the beam energy
- * A' emitted forward at small angle
- * A' decays before the detector



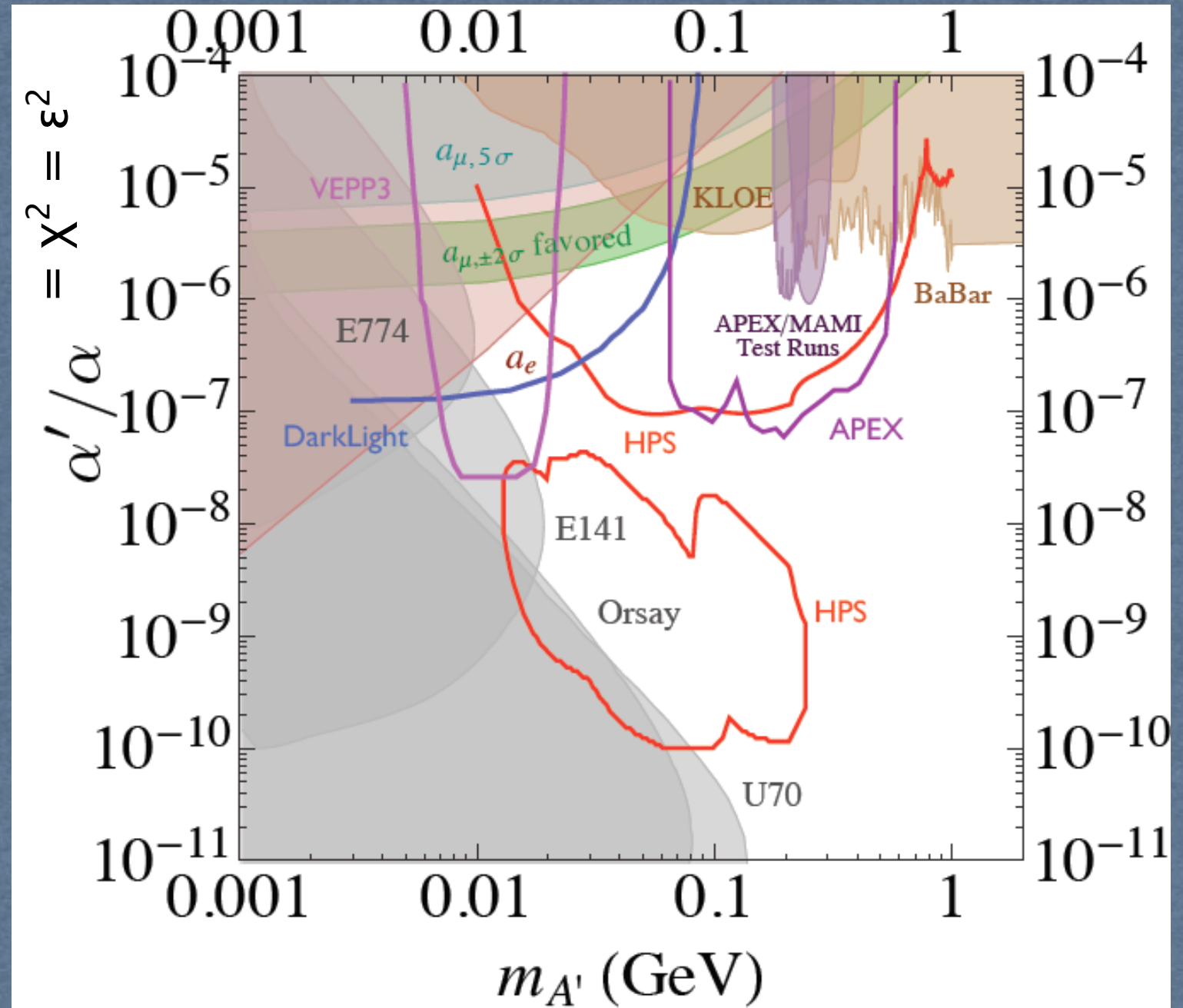
Current generation fixed target exp: thin target JLab and Mainz

JLab

- * DARK LIGHT (FEL)
- * APEX (Hall-A)
- * HPS (Hall-B)
 - Unconventional use of the CEBAF
 - PAC approval (max rating conditioned to technical feasibility)
 - Positive run-tests
 - Experiments begin: 2015-16

Mainz

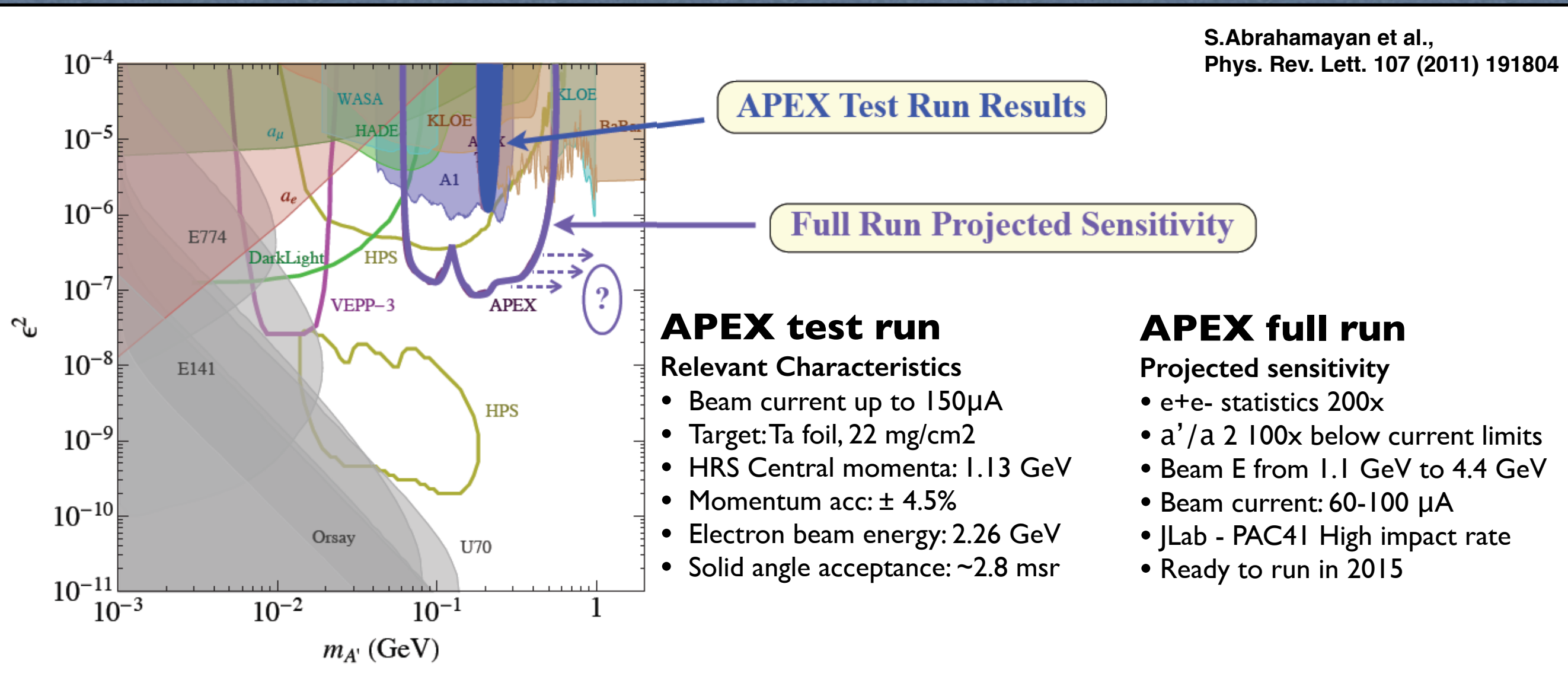
- Magnetic spectrometers (A1)
- Pilot run in 2012
- Full analysis published in 2014
- Future plans



JLab experiments

APEX (A-Prime EXperiment)

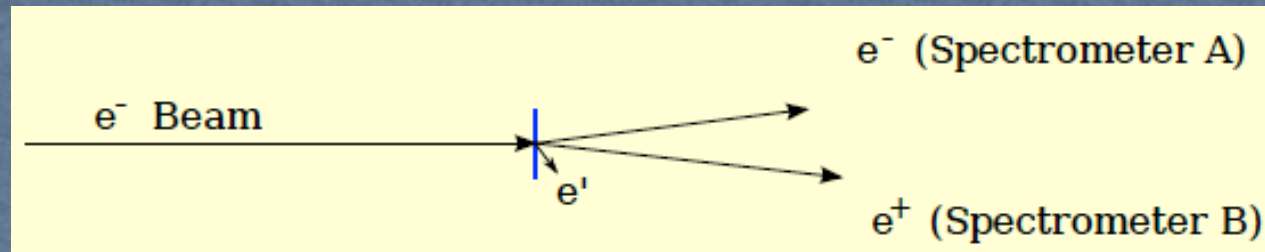
- Dark photon search in fixed target experiment in Hall-A at Jefferson Lab
- Looking for a small, narrow bump on top of a smooth histogram of QED processes
- Excellent mass resolution required ($\sim 0.85 - 1.1 \text{ MeV}$)



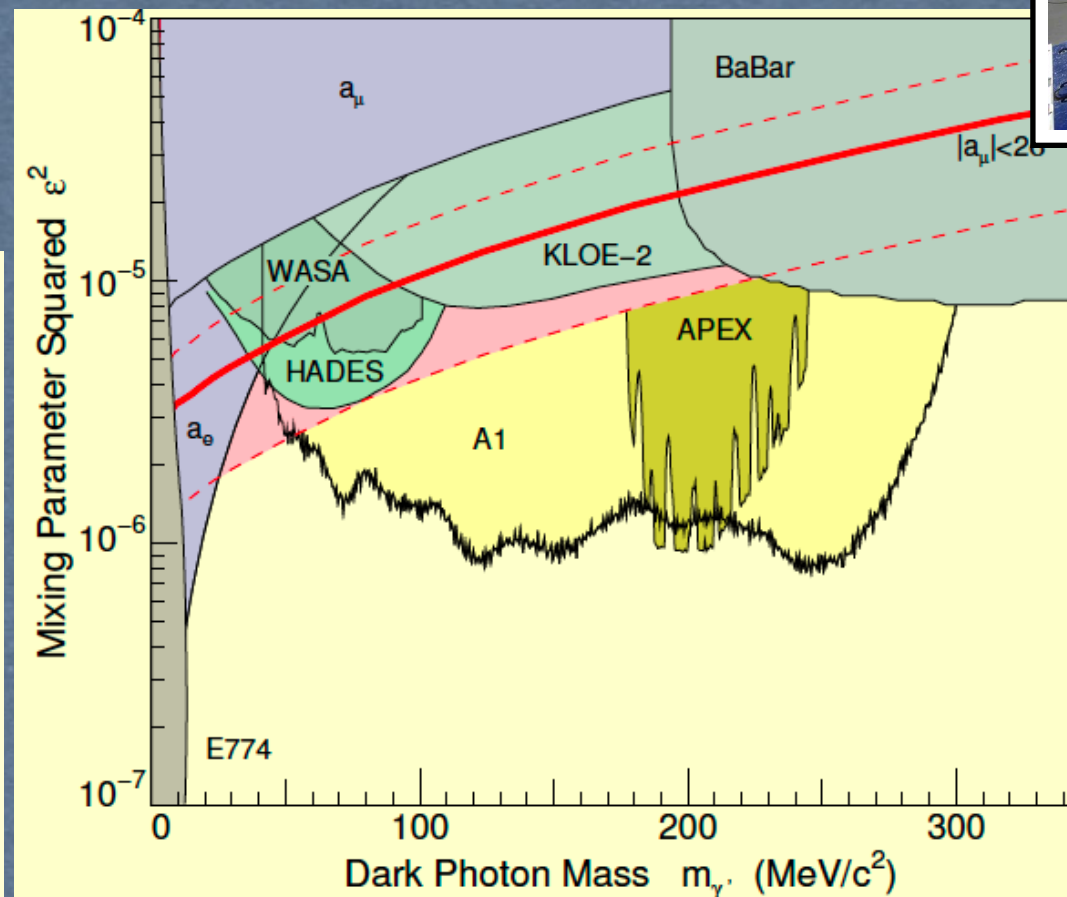
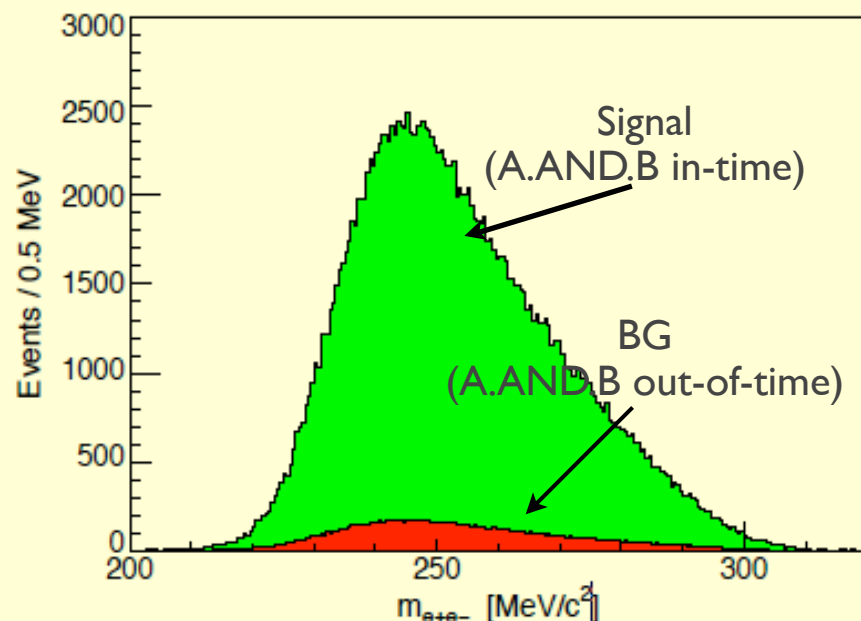
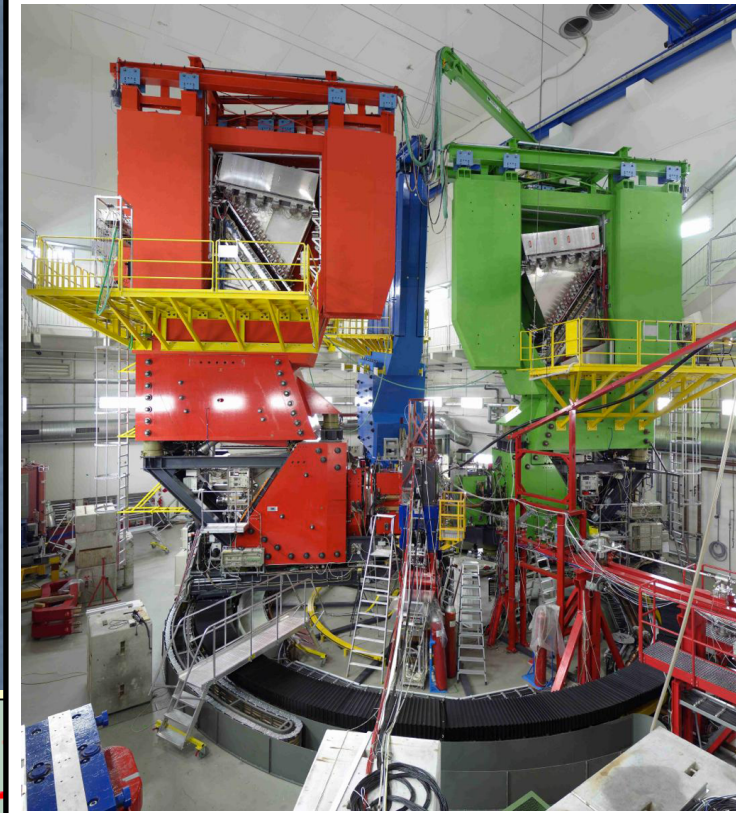
A' search at MAINZ

Full data analysis

- $E=855$ MeV
- $I=100\mu\text{A}$
- Ta target
- Spectrometer A (red): $p_{e^-} 338$ MeV/c $J_{e^-}=22.8^\circ$
- Spectrometer B (blue): $p_{e^+} 470$ MeV/c $J_{e^+}=15.2^\circ$



AI spectrometers @ MAMI



H. Merkel et al.,
Phys. Rev. Lett. 112 (2014) 015032



HEAVY PHOTON SEARCH

DM

Heavy photon signatures in HPS

1) Bump Hunting (BH)

Narrow e^+e^- -resonance over a QED background

→ good mass resolution: $\sigma_{A'_{\text{mass}}} \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$

2) Secondary decay vertex (vertexing)

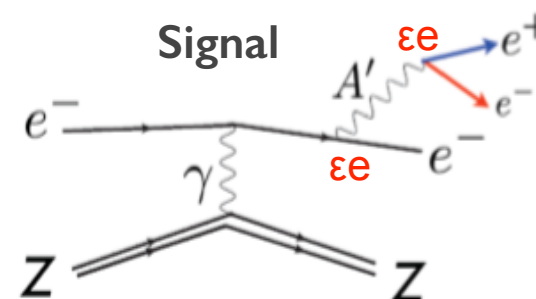
Detached vertex from few mm to tens cm

→ good spacial resolution: $\sigma_{\text{vertex}} \sim 1 \text{ mm}$

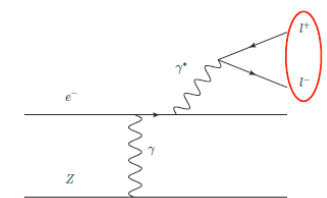
**BH + Vertexing =
enhanced
experimental reach**

$$l_{\gamma'} \sim \frac{E_{\gamma'}}{\alpha \chi^2 m_{\gamma'}^2} \sim 10 \text{ cm} \frac{E_{\gamma'}}{1 \text{ GeV}} \left(\frac{10^{-4}}{\chi} \right)^2 \left(\frac{10 \text{ MeV}}{m_{\gamma'}} \right)^2 \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{mm} - \text{km})$$

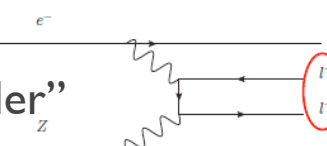
HPS@JLab Heavy Photon Search



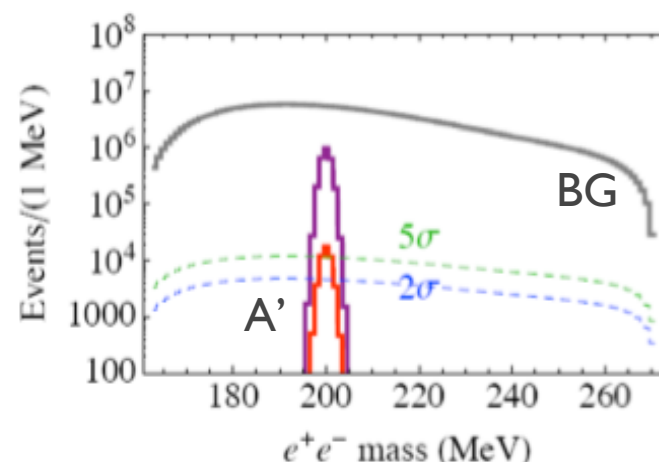
BG: "Radiative"



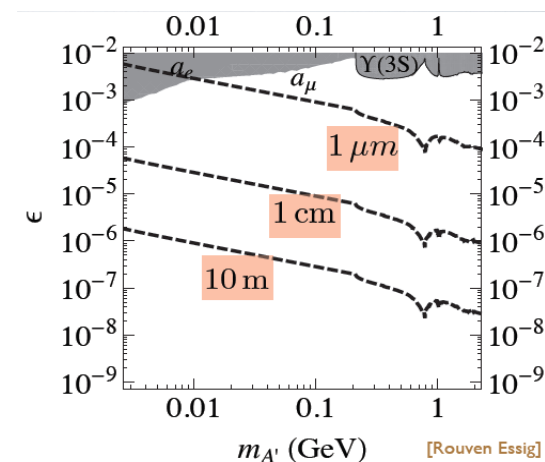
BG: "Bethe-Heitler"



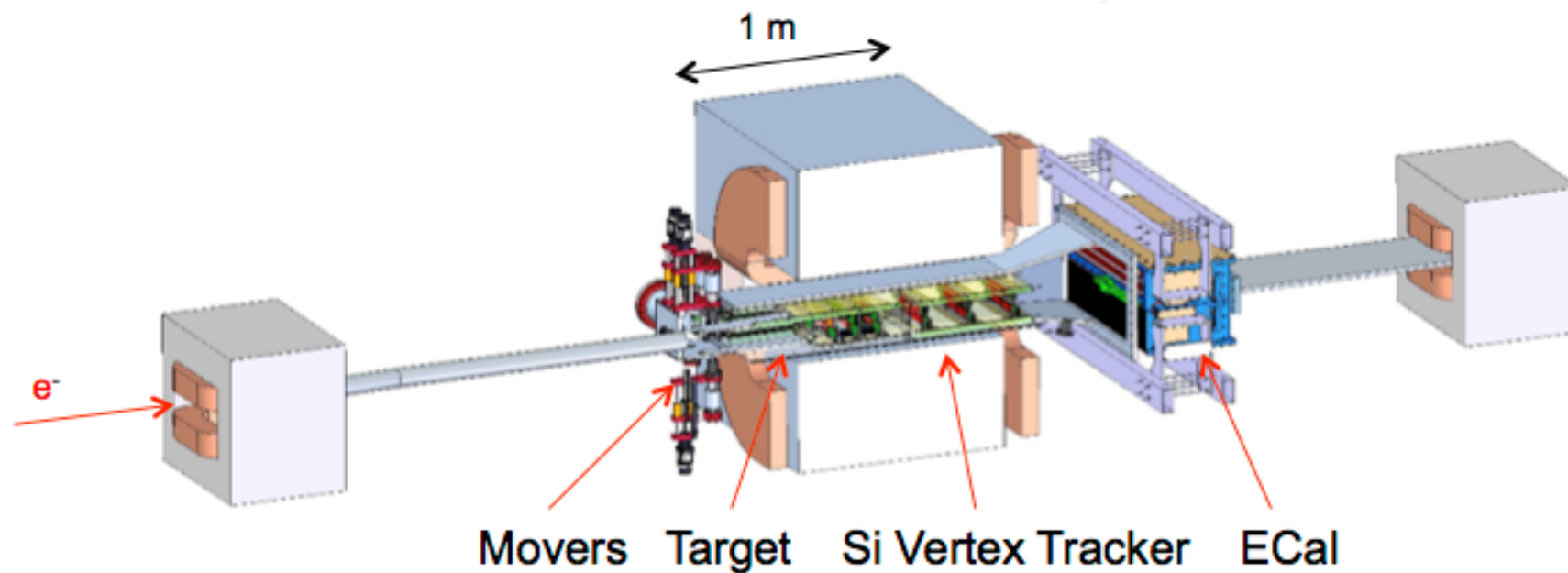
Bump Hunt



Decay length



The HPS Experiment

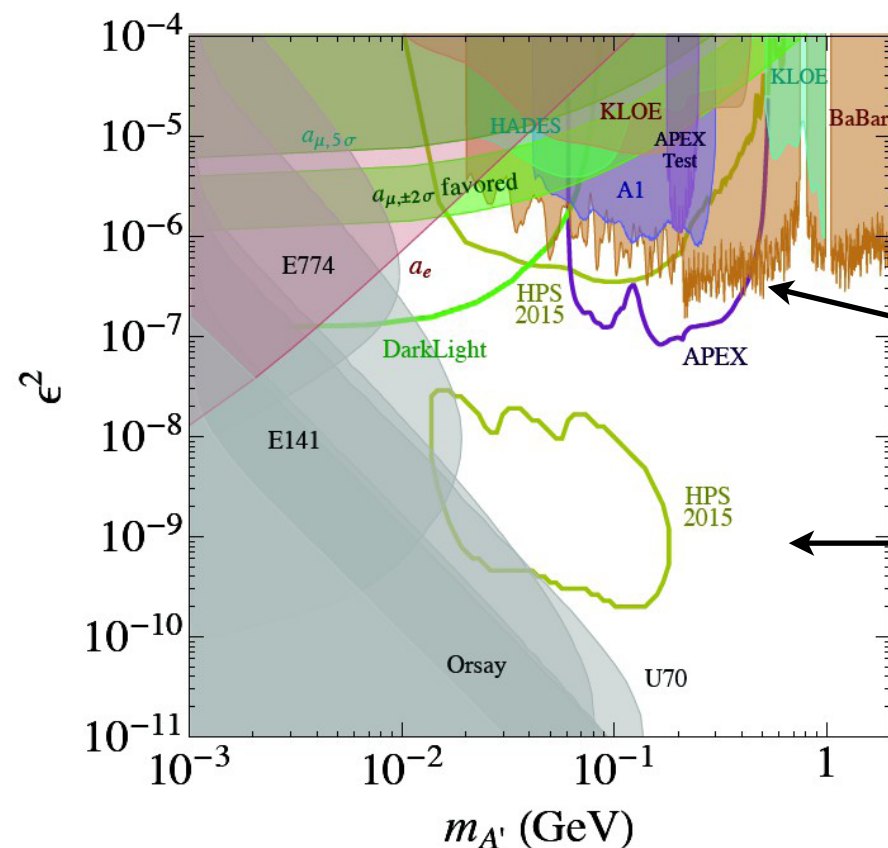


Requirements:

- forward angles coverage
- good spacial resolution:
 $\sigma_{\text{vertex}} \sim 1 \text{ mm}$ (vertexing)
- good mass resolution:
 $\sigma_{A' \text{ mass}} \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$ (bump hunting)

Experimental set-up

- B field to bend e^+/e^- pairs
- Si TRCK for vertexing
- EM cal for triggering



Projected results

1 week 1.1 GeV
1 week 2.2 GeV
2 weeks 4.4 GeV

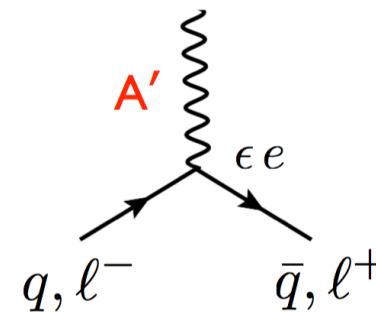
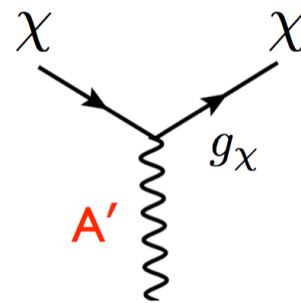
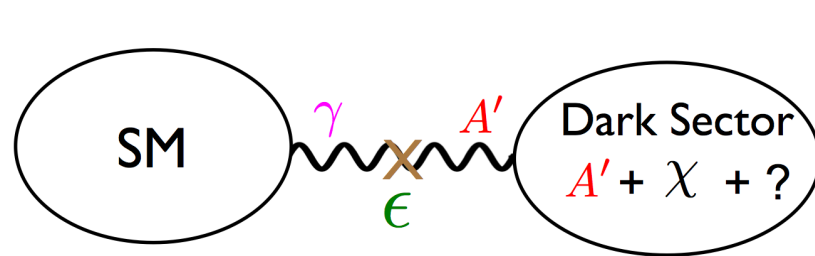
Phase I
2014/15

few months 2.2 GeV
few months 4.4 GeV
few months 6.6 GeV

Phase II
2017 -2019

JLab - PAC41 High impact rate

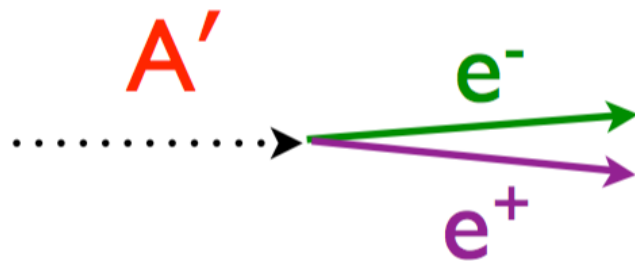
Dark forces and dark matter (Light WIMP - light mediators)



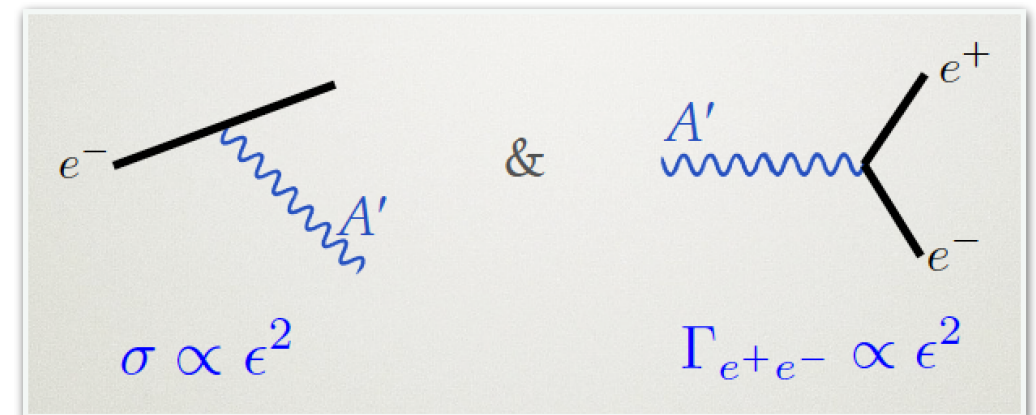
4 parameters: $m_\chi, m_{A'}, \epsilon, g_\chi$

$$m_\chi \sim m_{A'} \sim \text{MeV} - 5 \text{ GeV}$$

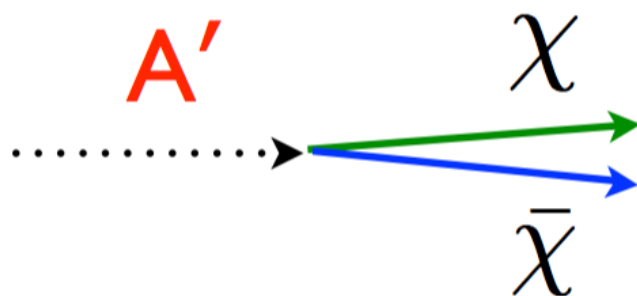
Visible



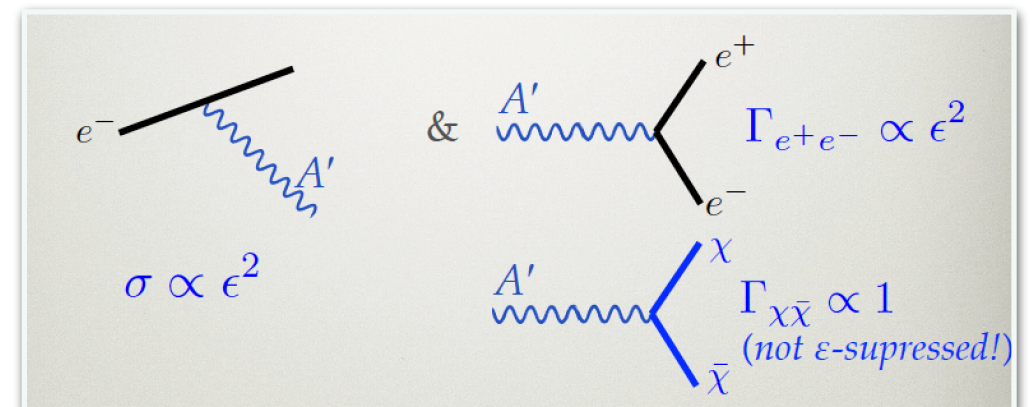
- Minimal decay
- Decay regulated by ϵ^2
- Independent on m_χ
- Requires $m_{A'} < 2m_\chi$



Invisible



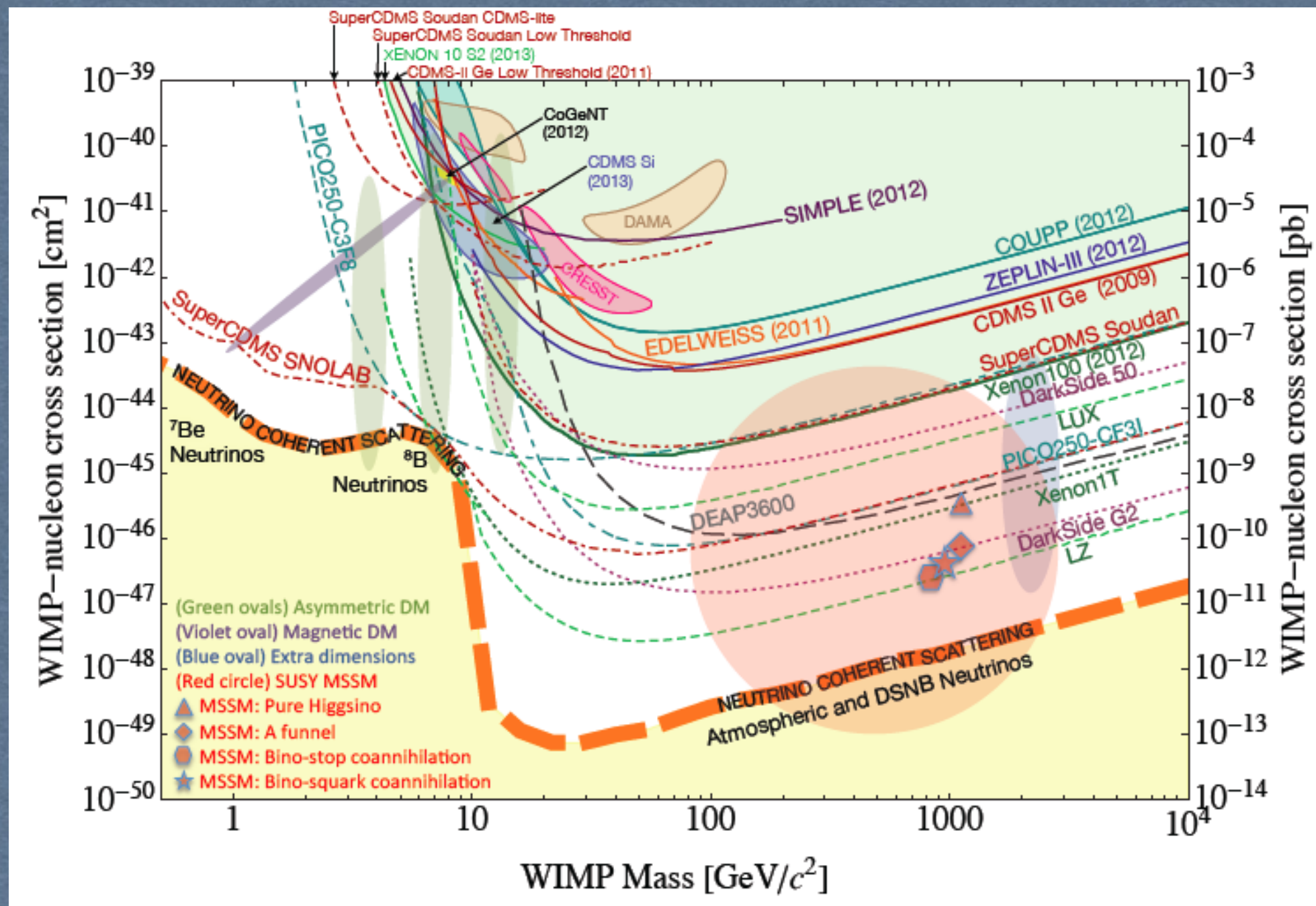
- $m_\chi < 2m_{A'}$
- i) stable and invisible
- ii) decays to SM particles
- Independent on ϵ



Dark Matter search - Direct measurements

Dark matter (DM) direct search mainly focused in the mass region 10 GeV -10 TeV

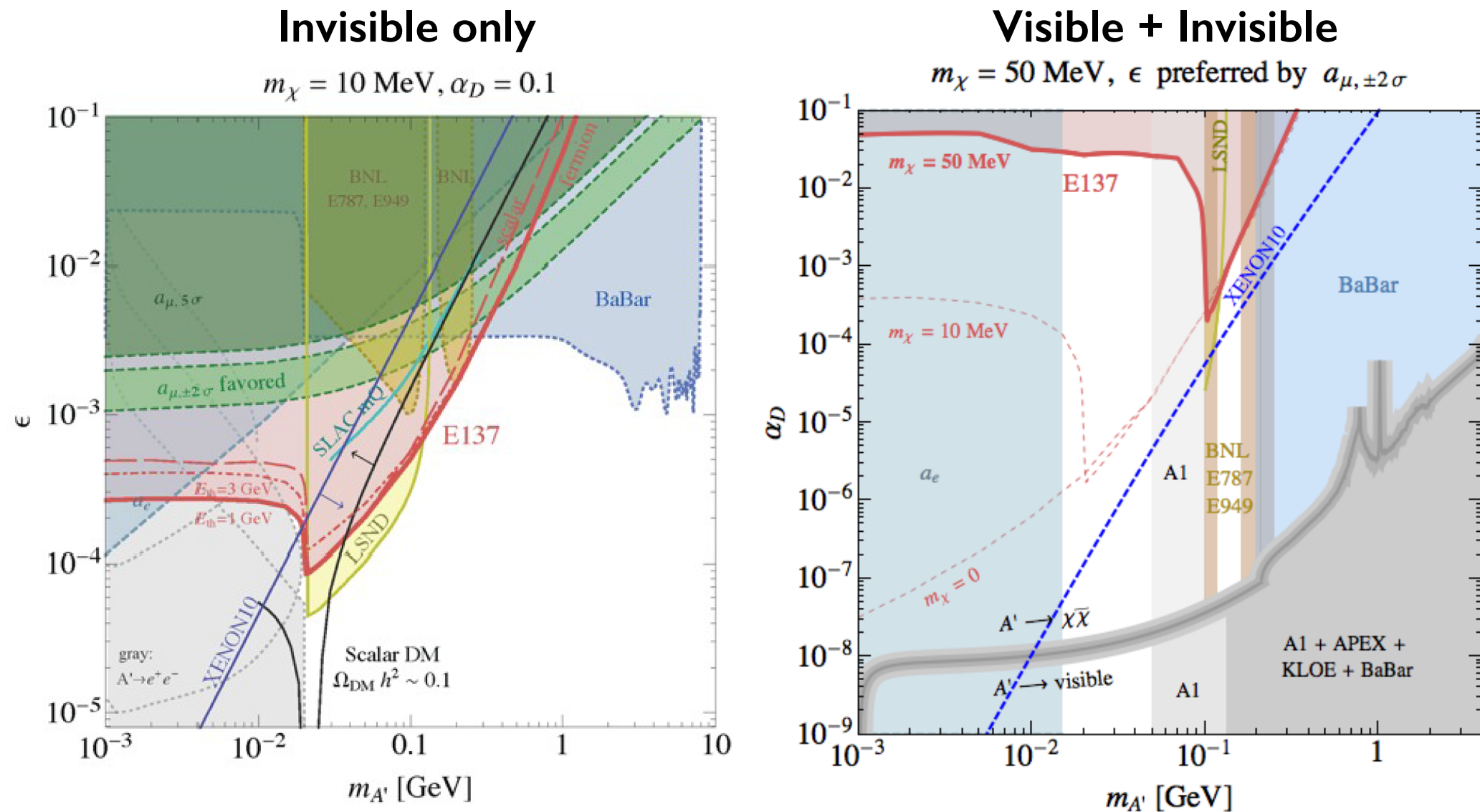
- WIMP: weakly interacting massive particles with weak scale mass provides the correct DM relic abundance
- No signal in direct detection



DM detection by measuring the (heavy) nucleus recoil of slow moving cosmological DM
 → no experimental sensitivity to light DM (<1 GeV)

Visible vs Invisible: complementarity

$(g-2)_\mu$



Strong Constraints on Sub-GeV Dark Matter from SLAC Beam Dump E137
<http://arxiv.org/abs/1406.2698> Brian Batell, Rouven Essig, Ze'ev Surujon

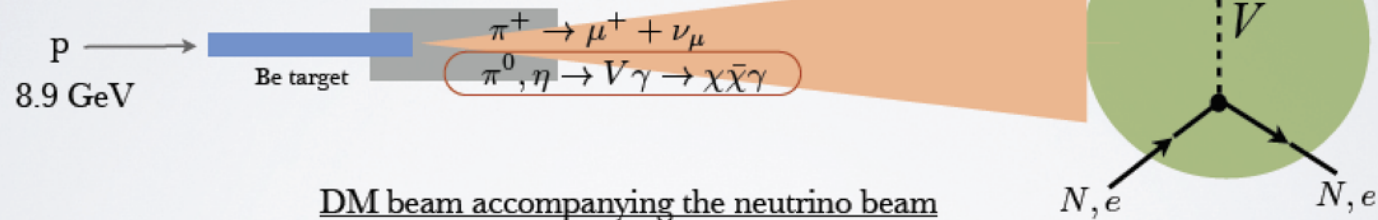
- Reinterpretation of existing data are ruling out $(g-2)_\mu$ favoured region
- Exclusion limits are model dependent: if invisible decay is included limits do not hold!

MiniBooNE

WIMP production and detection mechanism

Production

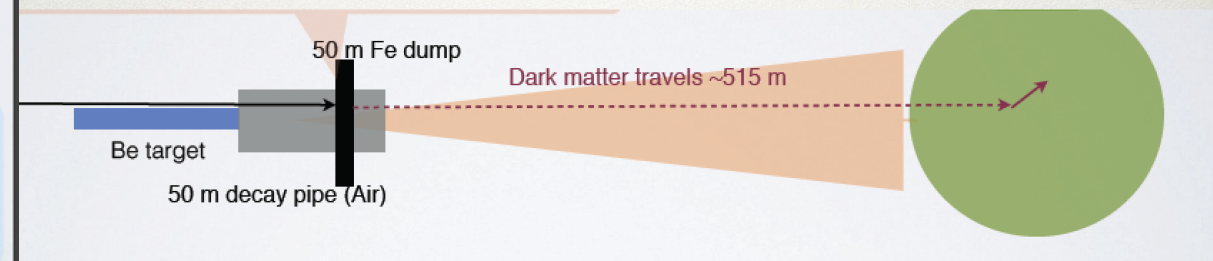
The HARP-MiniBooNE Be target Stanford-Wang meson production model is used.
The errors on π^0 and η range $\sim 25\%$.



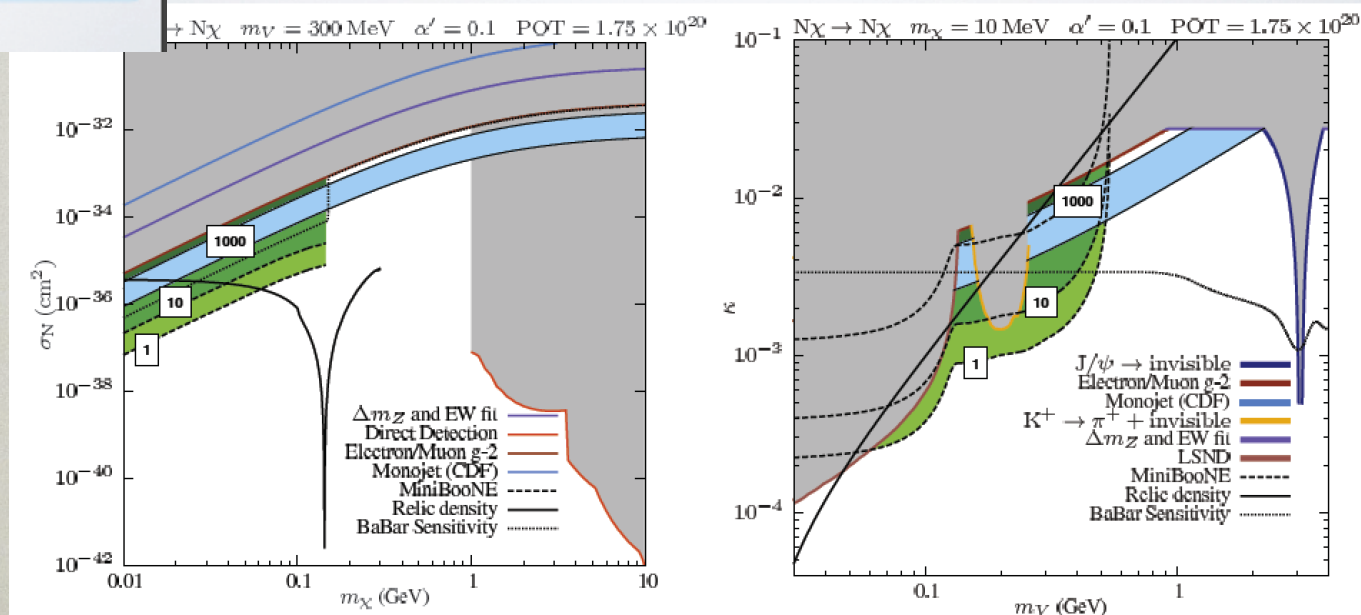
Detection

The DM particles scatter off of nucleons or electrons in the detector medium, mimicking NCE scattering, but possibly with different kinematics (momentum, angle, timing etc.)

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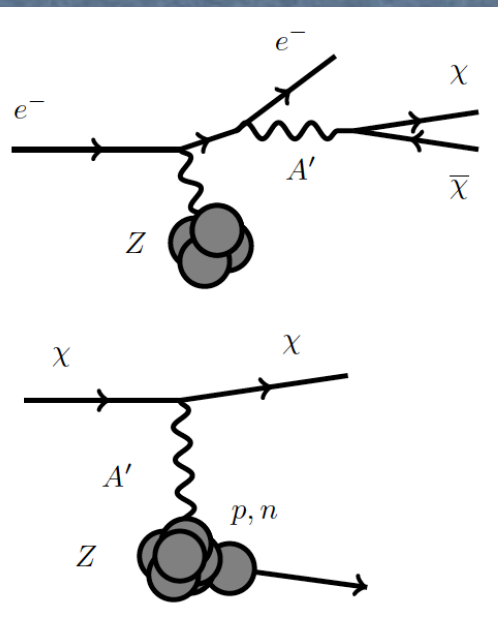
Tests Run
just ended!



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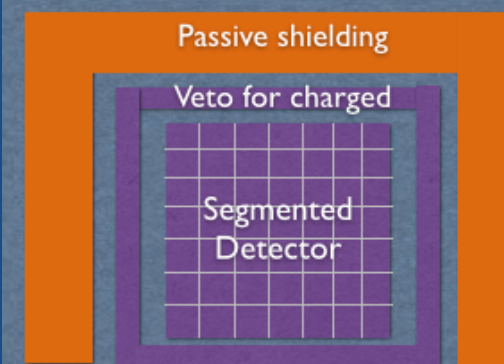
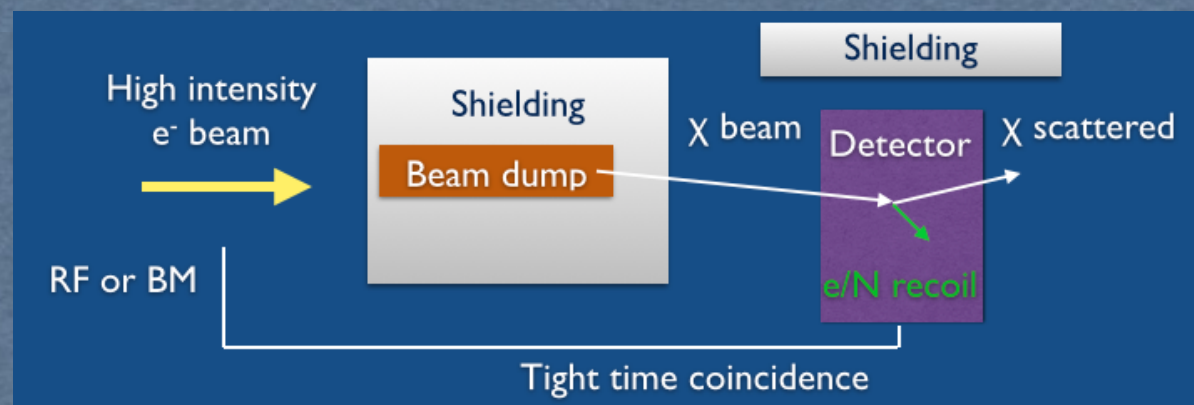
BDX - Dark matter search in a Beam Dump eXperiment at JLab

Beam dump (e^-) experiments can provide unprecedented sensitivity to light dark matter Jefferson Lab can play a significant role in light DM search



Two steps process:

- I) An electron irradiates an A' and the A' promptly decays to a χ (DM) pair
- II) The χ elastically scatters on a e^- /nucleon in the detector producing a visible recoil (GeV/MeV)



~1 m³ segmented plastic scintillator + small rl crystals

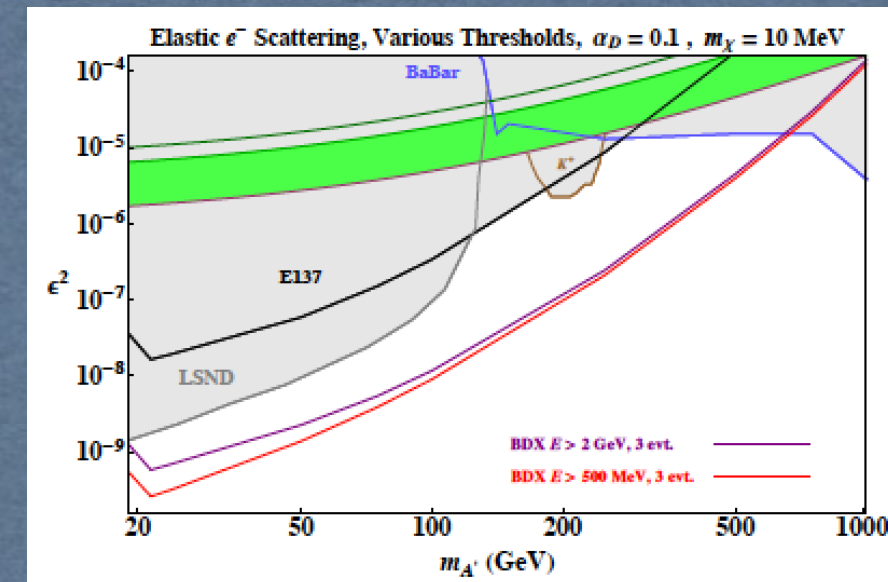
Key issue:
bg rejection

BDX@JLab reach

- 1m³ detector (~9 m x 0.4x0.4 m²)
- 10²² EOT (100 μ A for 6 months, full parasitic)
- realistic estimates of cosmogenic and beam-related background

At least, two orders of magnitudes better than any previous experiments

- BDX@LNF reach evaluation in progress



PADME at LNF

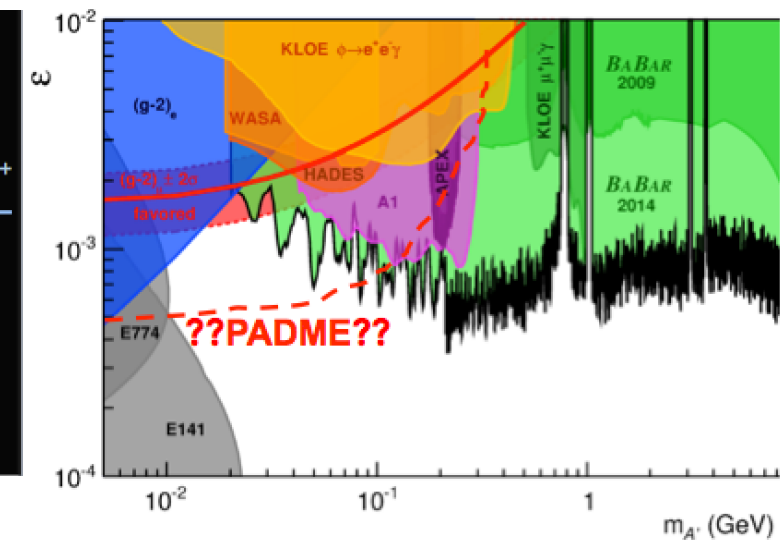
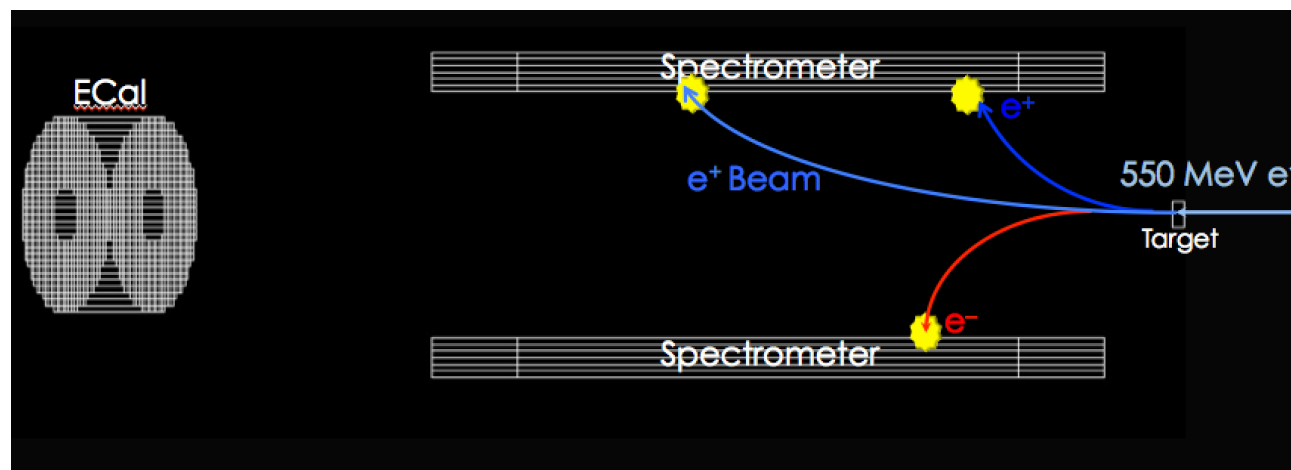
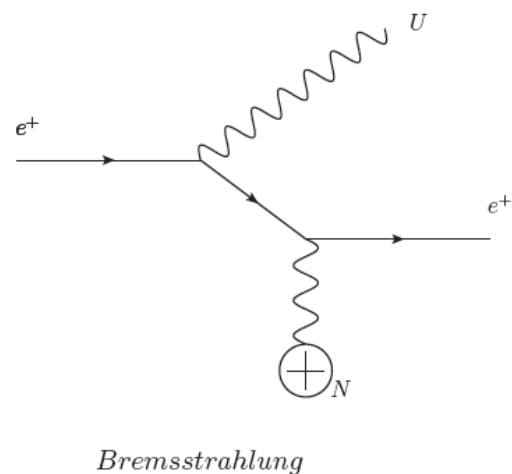
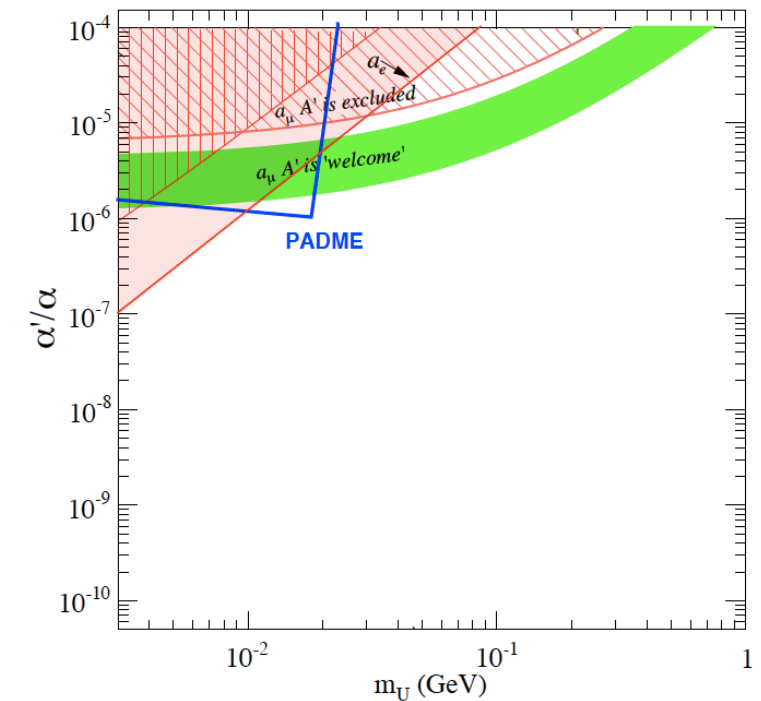
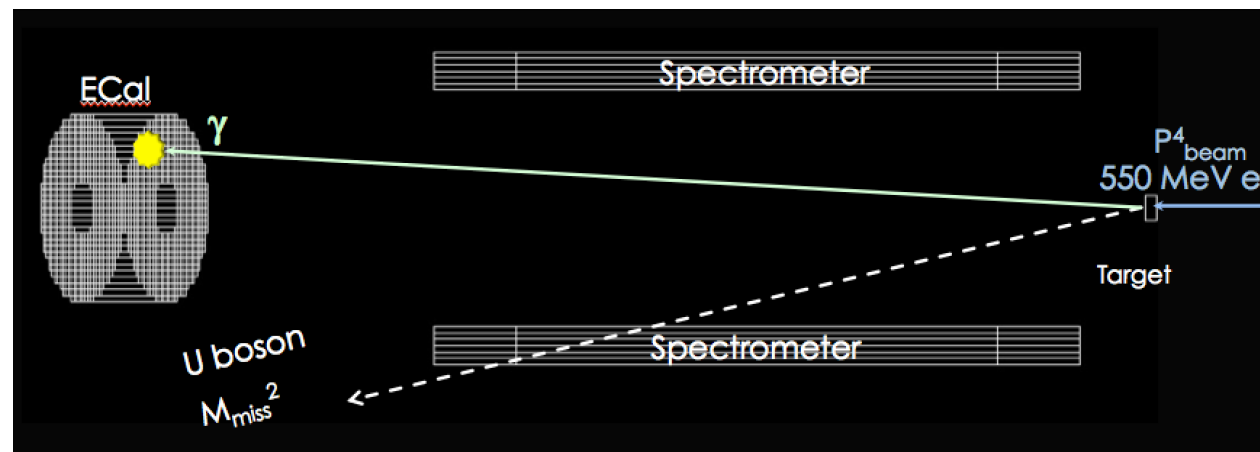
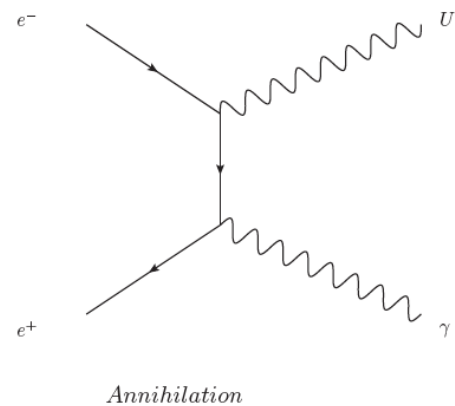
Present BTF

- $E_{e^+} = 550 \text{ MeV}$
- $EOT \sim 10^{13} - 10^{14} \text{ year}^{-1}$
- 1 year experiment

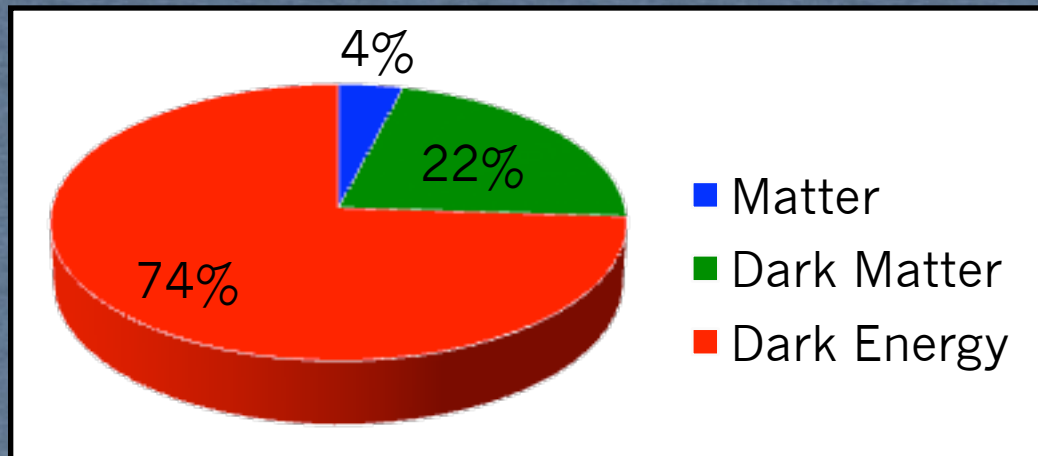
Future Upgrade

- $E_{e^-} = 1.250 \text{ GeV}$
- $EOT \sim 10^{19} - 10^{20} \text{ year}^{-1}$
- LINAC + BTF beam-dump (BDX@LNF)

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Conclusions



✳ It seems established that hadronic matter only accounts for the 4% of the total mass in the Universe

✳ Strong physics motivation for the possible existence of GeV-scale hidden/dark photons:

- top-down: extra $U(1)$ s in string models
- bottom-up: anomalies associated with dark matter (PAMELA, FERMI) and $(g - 2)\mu$

✳ Dark Photon searches are excluding a significant part of parameters space

✳ Light Dark Matter could explain null results resetting experimental limits

✳ Active and vibrant field, with new results coming shortly!