



# The dipole portal to heavy neutrinos at future colliders (experiments)

Jing-yu Zhu (朱景宇)

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

15th Aug 2023, CEPC味物理-新物理和相关探测技术研讨会

# Outline

Background

Current constraints/sensitivities from cosmological, astrophysical and laboratory observations

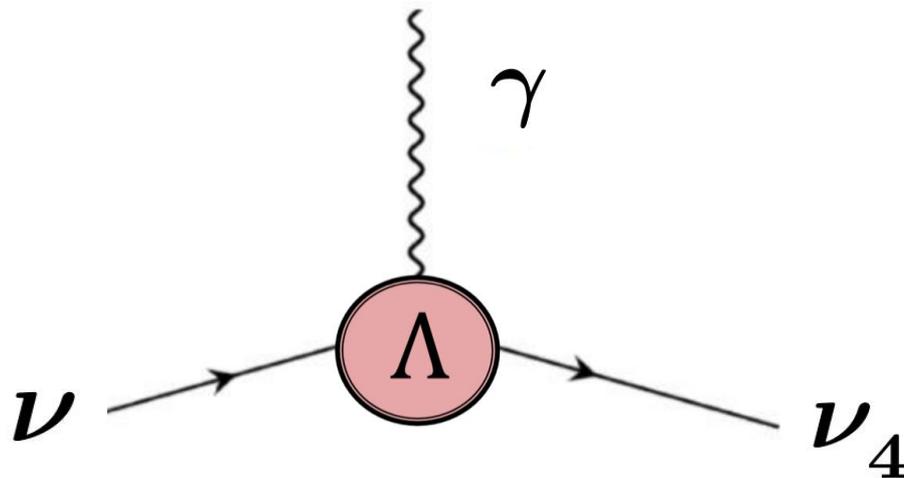
Sensitivities at future FCC/high-luminosity LHC

Summary and outlook

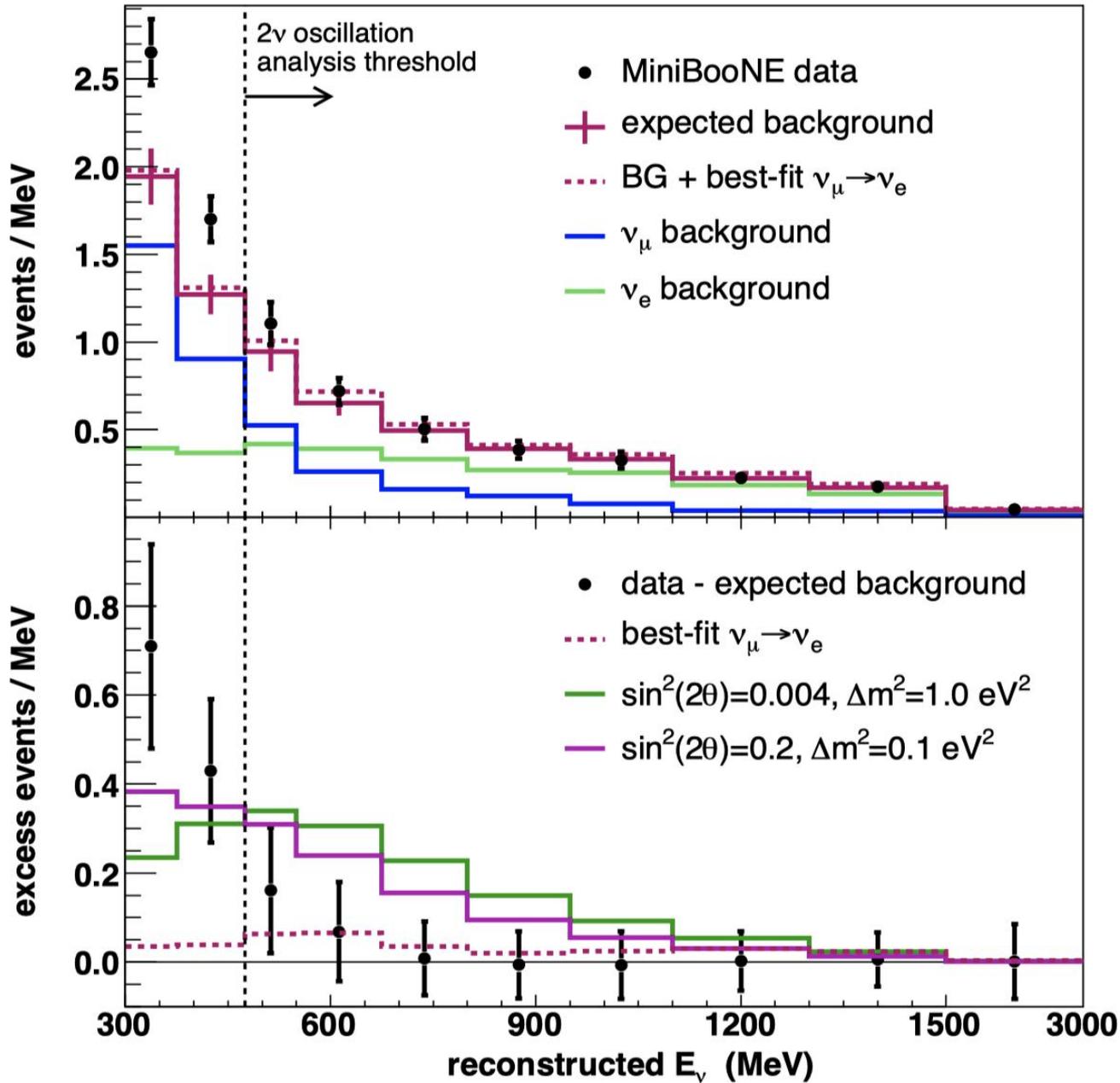
# Motivations:

The neutrino portal to heavy neutrinos (active-sterile neutrino transition magnetic moments):

$$\mathcal{L} = d_\alpha \bar{\nu}_{\alpha L} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \nu_4 F_{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$$



- This Lagrangian is technically only valid at energies below the EW scale;
  - Above the EW scale, we need construct UV-completion theory (Model dependent) ;
  - Agnostic about the UV origin of this operator and study its phenomenological implications at energies below EW scale in most experiments.
  - Model-building discussion
- 
- **A promising way to test the existence of sterile neutrinos**
  - **Anomalies(XENON1T, ANITA, MiniBooNE, muon g-2 anomalies)**
  - **A possible way to answer the questions: are neutrinos Dirac or Majorana particles?**



Low energy  
electron-like excess

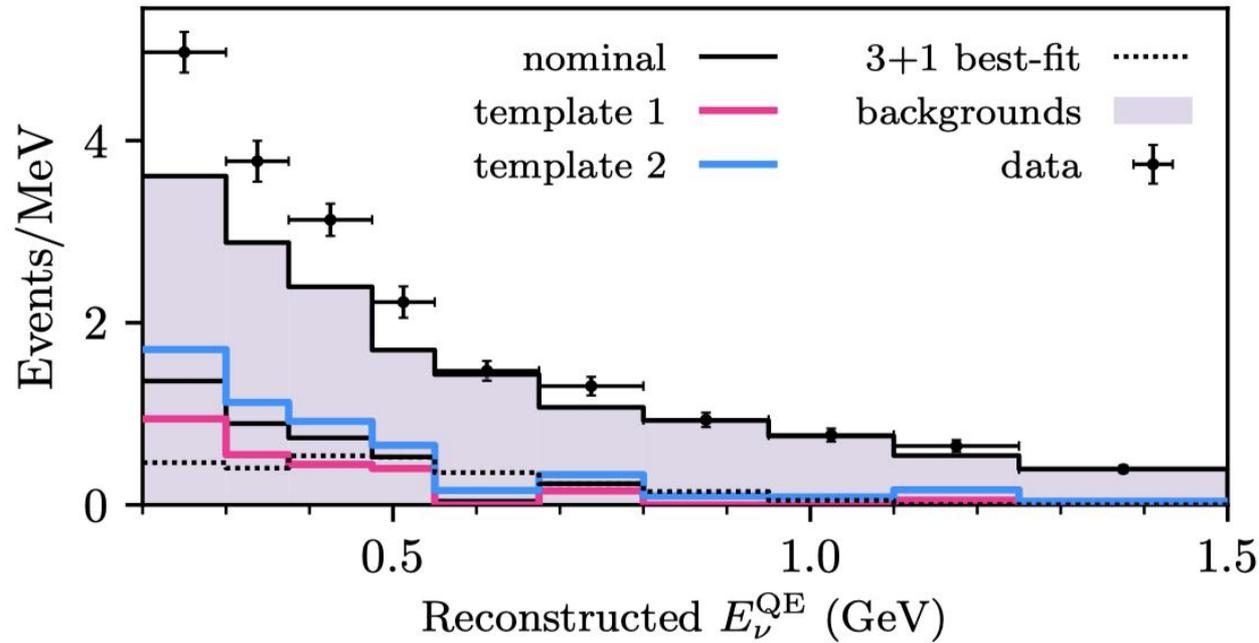
LSND, PRD2001

MiniBooNE  
0704.1500 and  
update later

First trial using the  
dipole portal to solve  
this: Gninenko PRL  
2009, PRD2010

MiniBooNE 2018

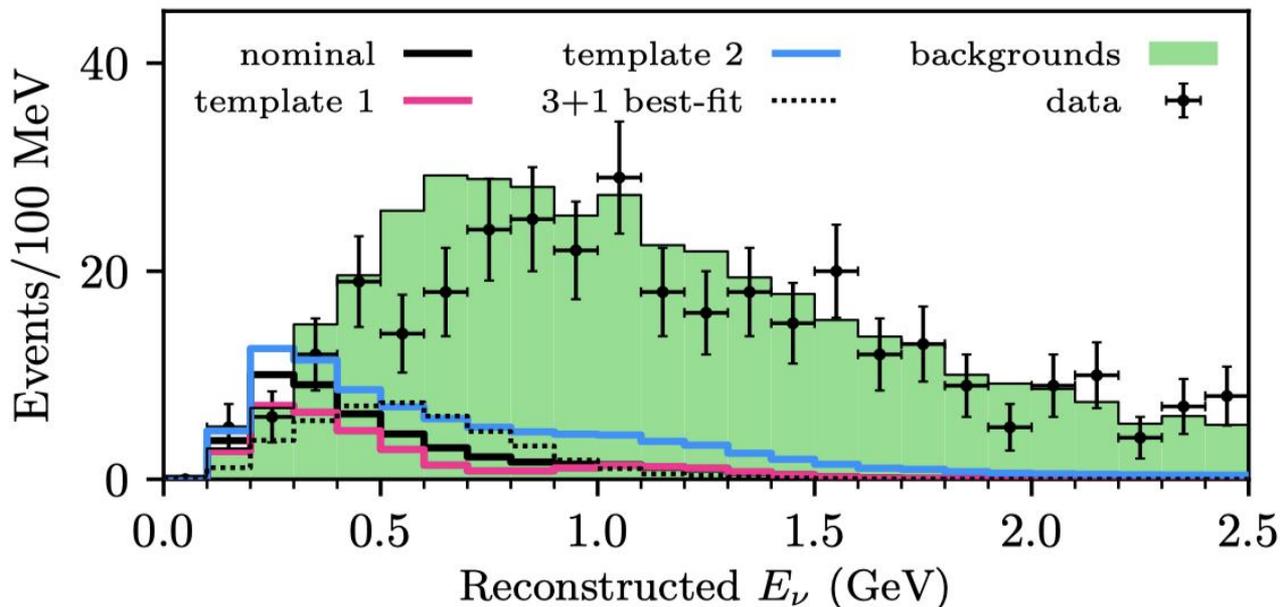
Argüelles et. al. 2021



Low energy  
electron-like excess

MicroBooNE  
Kopp et. al. PRL2021

MicroBooNE 2021 (Inclusive FC unconstrained)



Anomaly still exists

# Current constraints or sensitives:

---

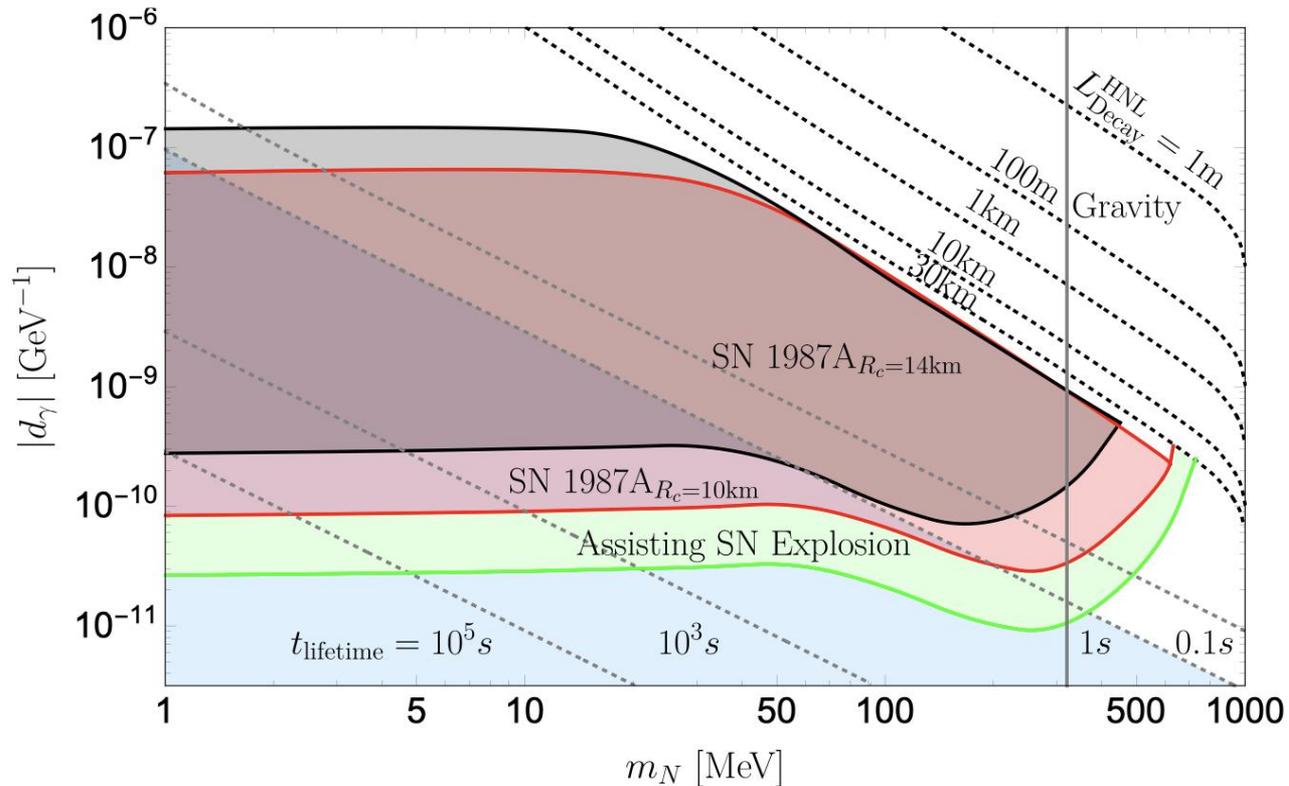
The bounds on  $d_\alpha$  ( $\alpha=e, \mu, \tau$ ) come from various laboratory, astrophysical and cosmological observations, for example the ones derived from

- neutrino oscillation experiments (solar, atmospheric, reactor),
- dark matter experiments,
- the observation of high-energy neutrinos

by studying

- coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering (CEvNS),
  - elastic neutrino-electron scattering,
  - deep inelastic interactions
- etc.

# Supernova neutrinos

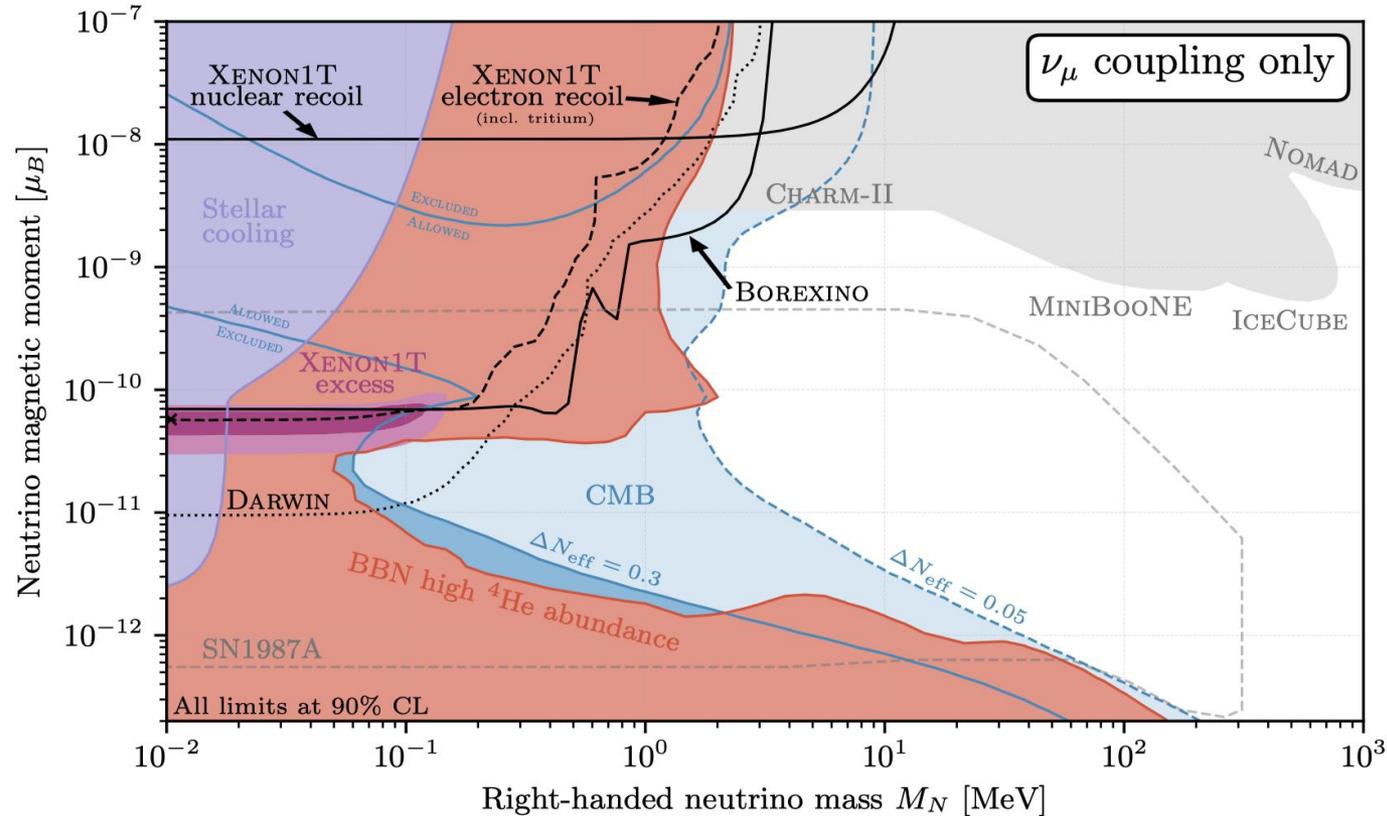


[Magill, Plestid, Pospelov, Tsai, PRD2018]

Up to 300 MeV

- Below the curve, the induced cooling effect is too weak
- Above the interaction becomes strong enough so that steriles cannot escape the collapsing core
- If the sterile is too heavy, the gravitational pull will also prevent it from leaving the supernova, leading to the vertical cut-off of the exclusion curve

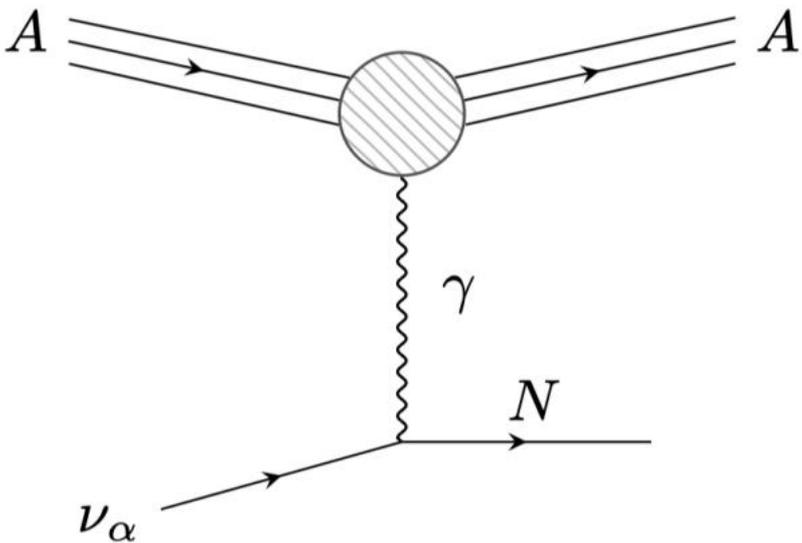
# Cosmology



The dipole interaction alters the expansion and cooling rates of the universe, leading to a corrected **neutron-to-proton ratio** and **baryon-to-photon ratio**. The final  $^4\text{He}$  abundance depends on  $M_N$  and neutrino magnetic moment (up to 200 MeV).

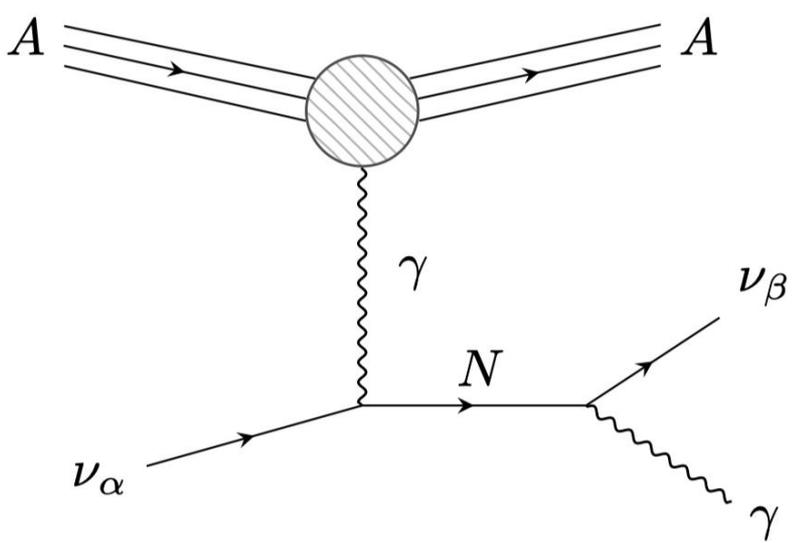
# Coherent neutrino-nucleus elastic scattering (CEvNS)

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\nu_\alpha A \rightarrow NA}}{dE_R} \approx (\mu_{\nu N}^\alpha)^2 \alpha Z^2 \left[ \frac{1}{E_R} - \frac{m_N^2}{4E_R E_\nu^2} \right]$$



**Primakoff Upscattering**  
**Signal: recoil energy**  
 Not sensitive to Dirac vs. Majorana nature of  $N$

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma_{\nu_\alpha A \rightarrow \nu_\beta A \gamma}^{D(M)}}{dE_R} \right|_{\text{NWA}} = \frac{d\sigma_{\nu_\alpha A \rightarrow NA}^{D(M)}}{dE_R} \frac{\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \nu_\beta \gamma}^{D(M)}}{\Gamma_N}$$

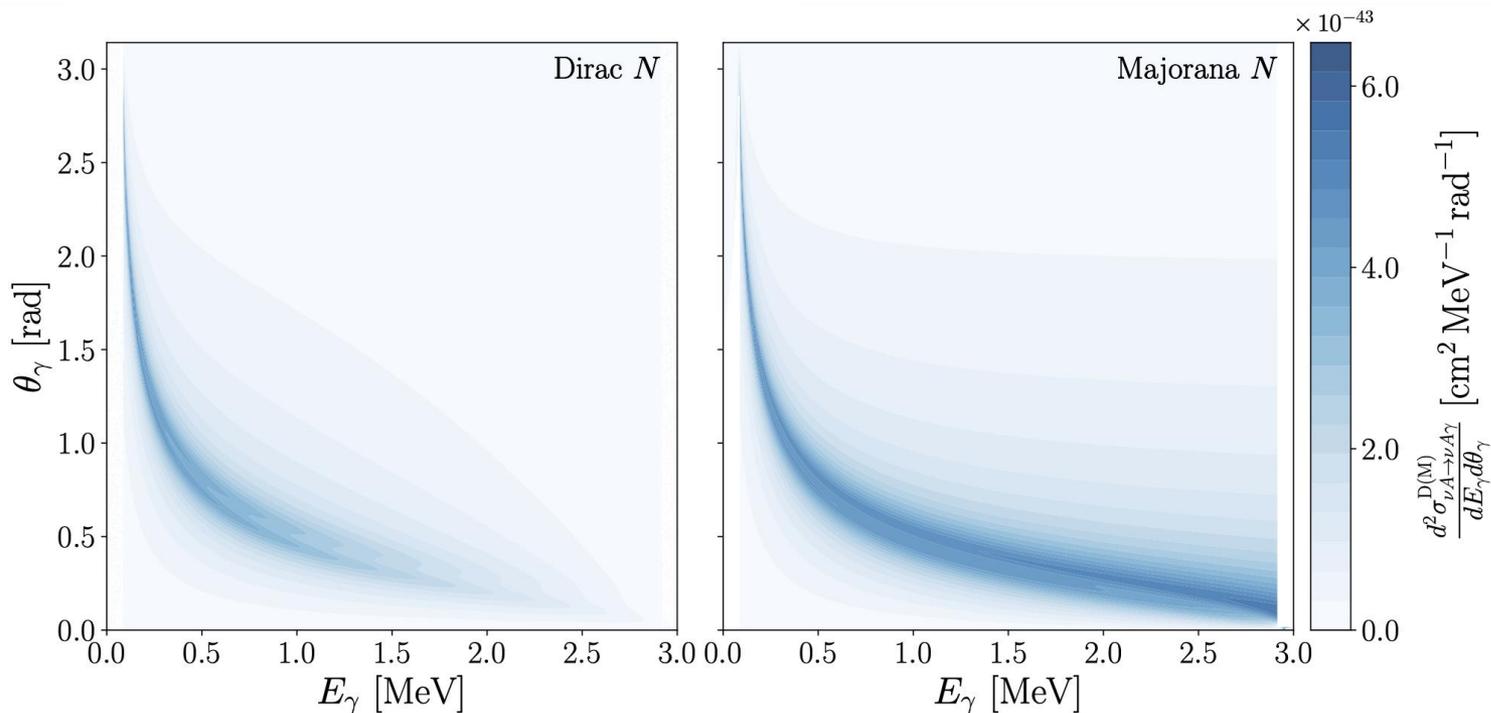


**Radiative Upscattering**  
**Signal: recoil energy plus photon**  
 Sensitive to Dirac vs. Majorana nature of  $N$

[Bolton, Deppisch, Fridell, Harz, Hati, Kulkarni, 2022PRD]

# Dirac or Majorana?

$$\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \nu \beta \gamma}^M = 2\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \nu \beta \gamma}^D = \frac{(\mu_{\nu N}^\beta)^2 m_N^3}{4\pi}$$

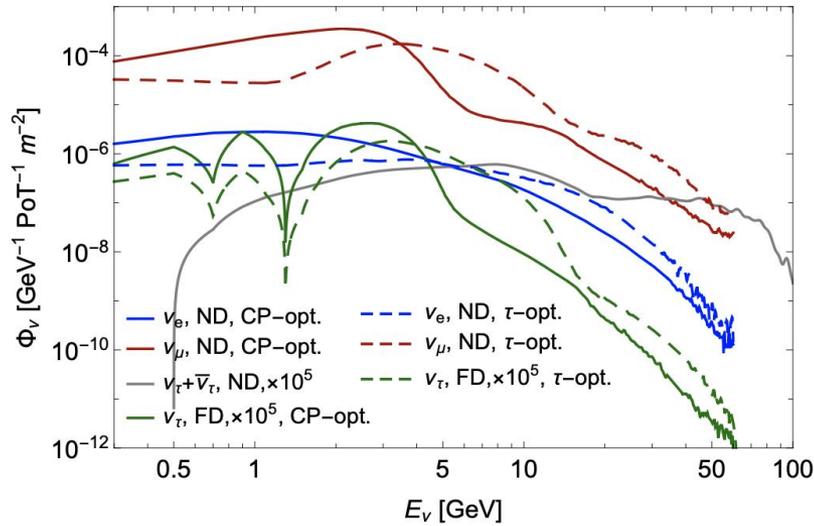


$E_\nu = 3 \text{ MeV}, m_N = 1 \text{ MeV}$

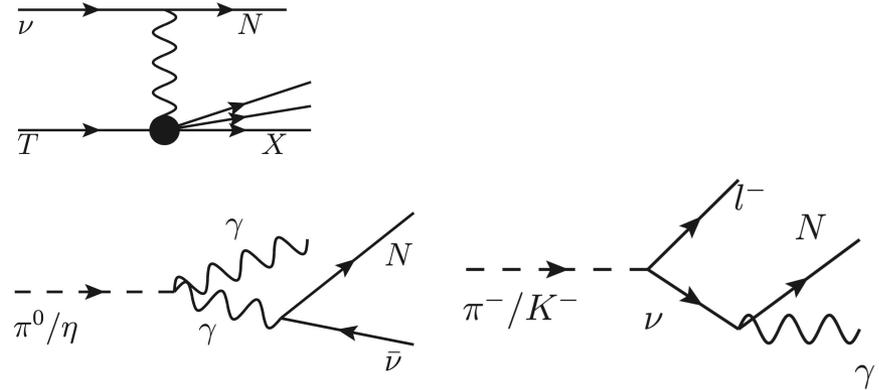
More forward emissions of high energy  $\gamma$  in Majorana vs. Dirac case

Clear distinction for  $E_\gamma > E_\nu/2$

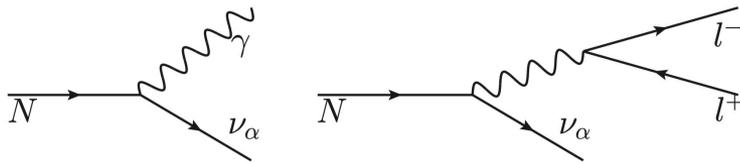
# Including high-energy tail of DUNE



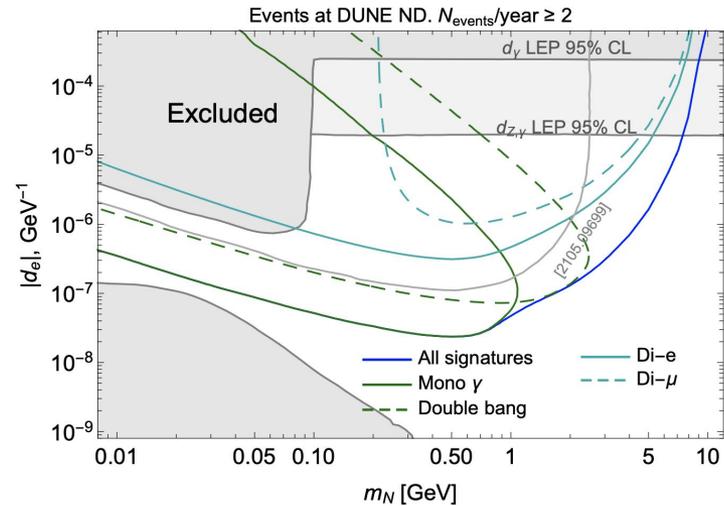
## Production



## Decay

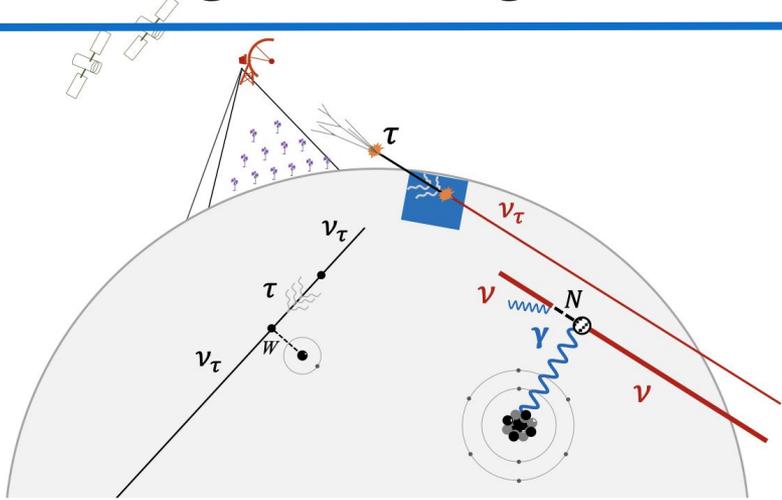


- (a) Single photon
- (b) Double bang
- (c) Prompt di-lepton

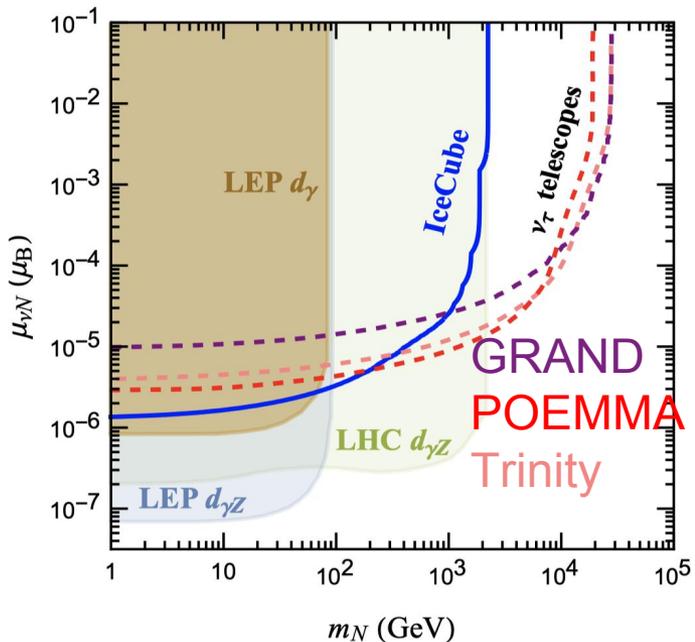


DUNE may probe masses up to O(10 GeV)

# Ultrahigh energy neutrino telescopes

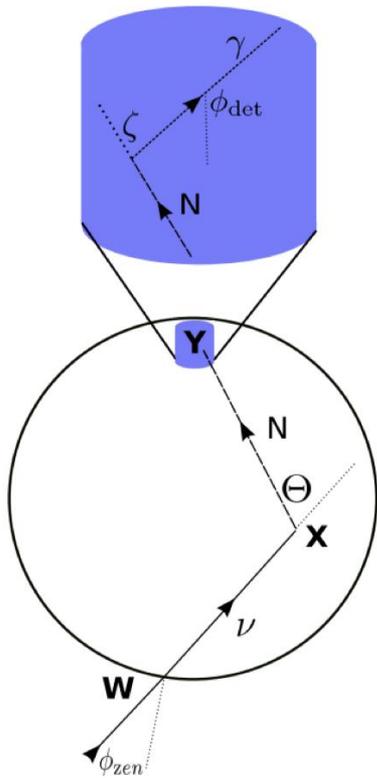


- The incoming neutrino flux can be severely affected by the conversion process before reaching the neutrino detector
- The UHE neutrinos are then detected by an in-ice volume (for all neutrino flavors), and an atmospheric radio or imaging telescope (for tau neutrinos)

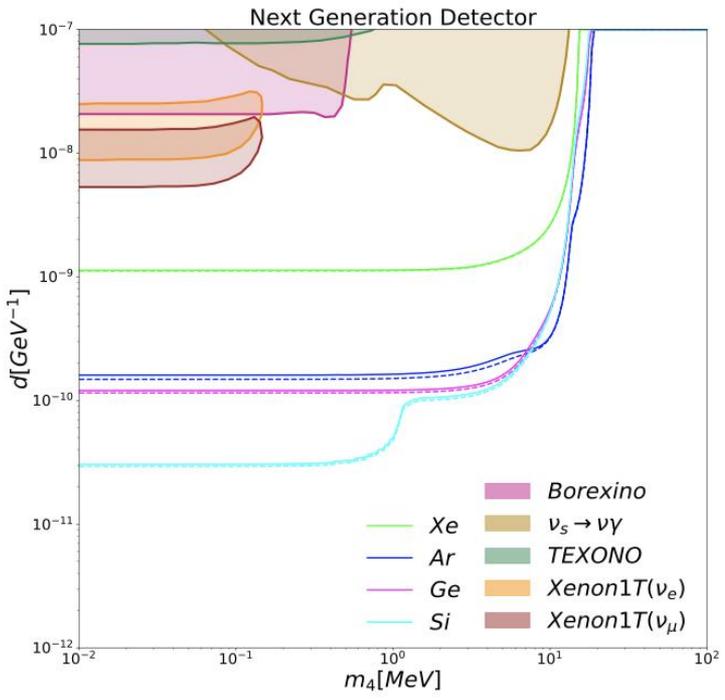


1. Much heavier neutrino masses can be detected (up to 30 TeV)
2. Depend on rare high-energy neutrino events from the universe

# More...



Upscattering of atmospheric neutrinos in the interior of the Earth  
 [Gustafson, Plestid, Shoemaker, 2205.02234]



Solar neutrinos  
 [Li, Xia, 2203.16525]

- ...
- 2007.05513
- 2010.04193
- 2105.09357
- 2108.12998
- 2109.05032
- 2109.09545
- 2110.02233
- etc.

# Sensitivities at future FCC/high-luminosity LHC

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{dipole}} = \bar{L}(d_W \mathcal{W}_{\mu\nu}^a \tau_a + d_B B_{\mu\nu}) \tilde{H} \sigma^{\mu\nu} N + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{dipole}}^{\text{eff}} = \bar{\nu}_{\alpha L} (d_\alpha F_{\mu\nu} - d_Z Z_{\mu\nu}) \sigma^{\mu\nu} N + d_W \bar{l}_L W_{\mu\nu} \sigma^{\mu\nu} N + \text{h.c.}$$

$$|d_Z/d_\alpha| \in (0, \cot \theta_W), \quad |d_W/d_\alpha| \in \left(0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sin \theta_W}\right)$$

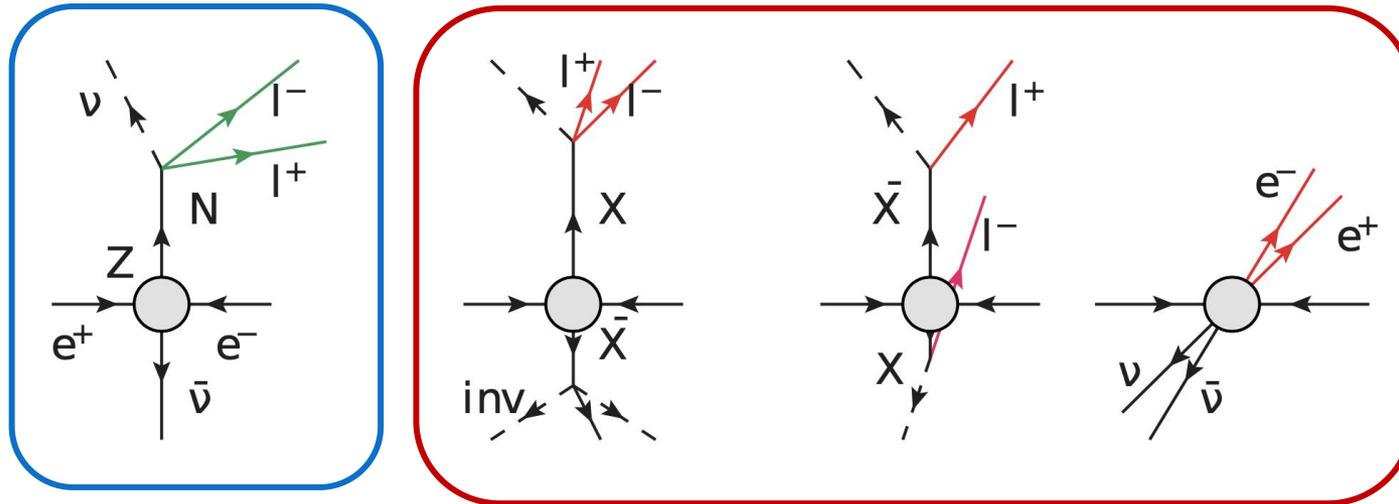
Experiment	$N_W$	$N_Z$
HL-LHC	$6 \cdot 10^{11}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{11}$
FCC-hh	$1.2 \cdot 10^{13}$	$9 \cdot 10^{12}$
FCC-ee	$5 \cdot 10^8$	$5 \cdot 10^{12}$

The searches at colliders prefer observing a displaced decay vertex (Single photon signal can not work well).

# Production and decay (Using displaced vertex techniques)

## Lepton collider

$$e^+ + e^- \rightarrow Z, \quad Z \rightarrow N + \nu, \quad N \rightarrow l^+ + l^- + \nu$$



## Hadron collider

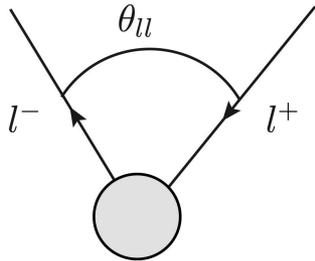
$$p + p \rightarrow W + X, \quad W \rightarrow N + l, \quad N \rightarrow l'^+ + l''- + \nu$$

JHEP 07 (2022) 081

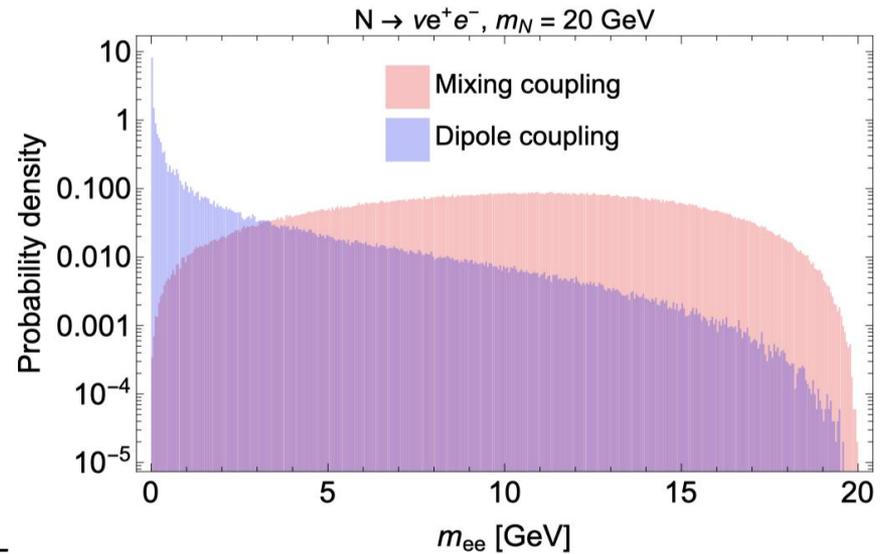
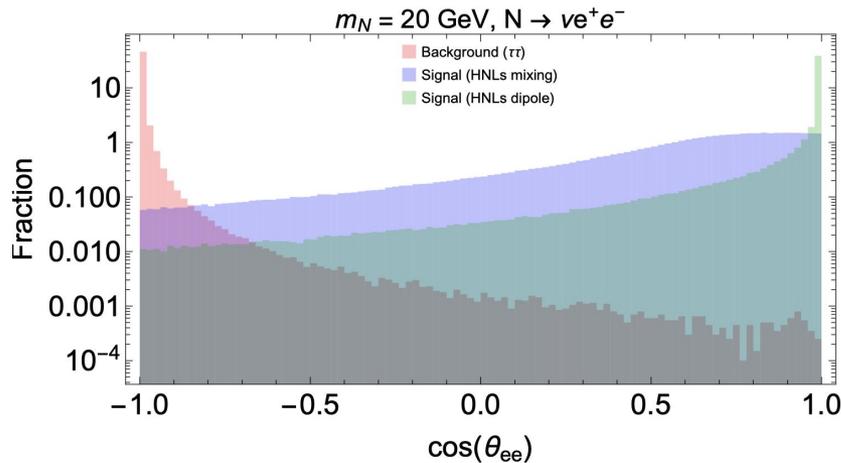
# New selection rules at FCC-ee

Front. in Phys. 10 (2022) 967881

$$Z \rightarrow \tau + \bar{\tau} \rightarrow e^+ + e^- + \text{inv}$$



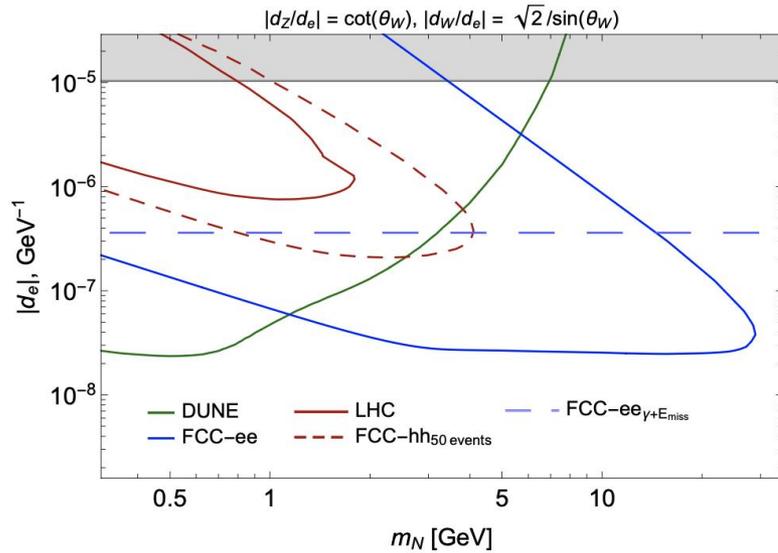
$$\cos(\theta_{ee}) > -0.5, \quad E_{e^+} > 2 \text{ GeV}, \quad E_{e^-} > 2 \text{ GeV}$$



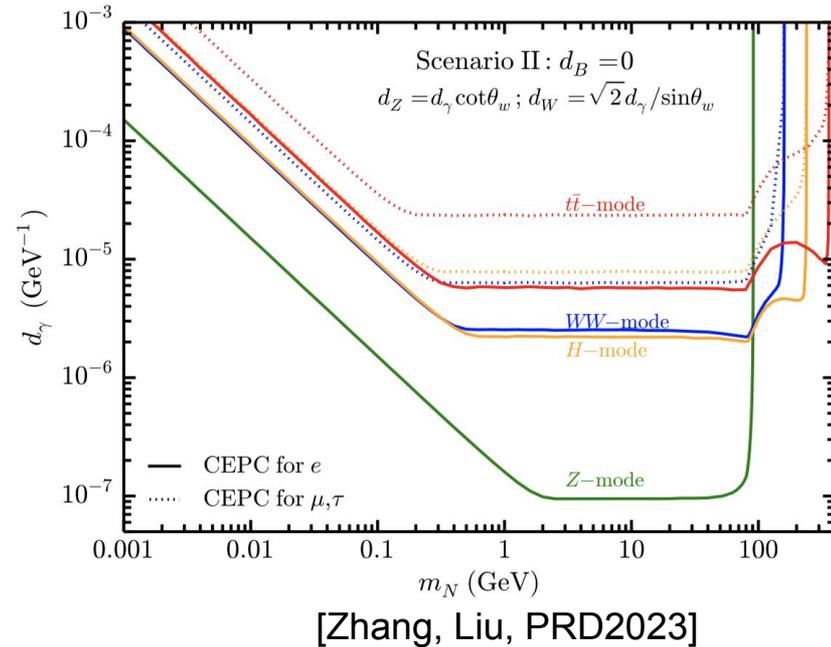
$$5 \cdot 10^9 \text{ decays } Z \rightarrow \tau\bar{\tau} \rightarrow e^+ e^- \nu_e \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\tau$$

$$m_{ee} = \sqrt{(p_{e^+} + p_{e^-})^2}$$

# Results at FCC/LHC



- Probe masses up to 30 GeV and two orders lower than current constraints
- LHC and FCC complement each other



Comparable sensitivities with FCC-ee in the case of CEPC

Yu Zhang's talk later at 18th

# Summary and outlook

---

- Various ways to constrain/search for the dipole portal signals
- Big new parameter space which can be probed through future experiments
- For heavier neutrinos will be complementally detected at colliders and neutrino telescopes
- Next step and more general: Dipole + mixing

**Thank you for your attention!**