

Dark Sector Effective Field Theory

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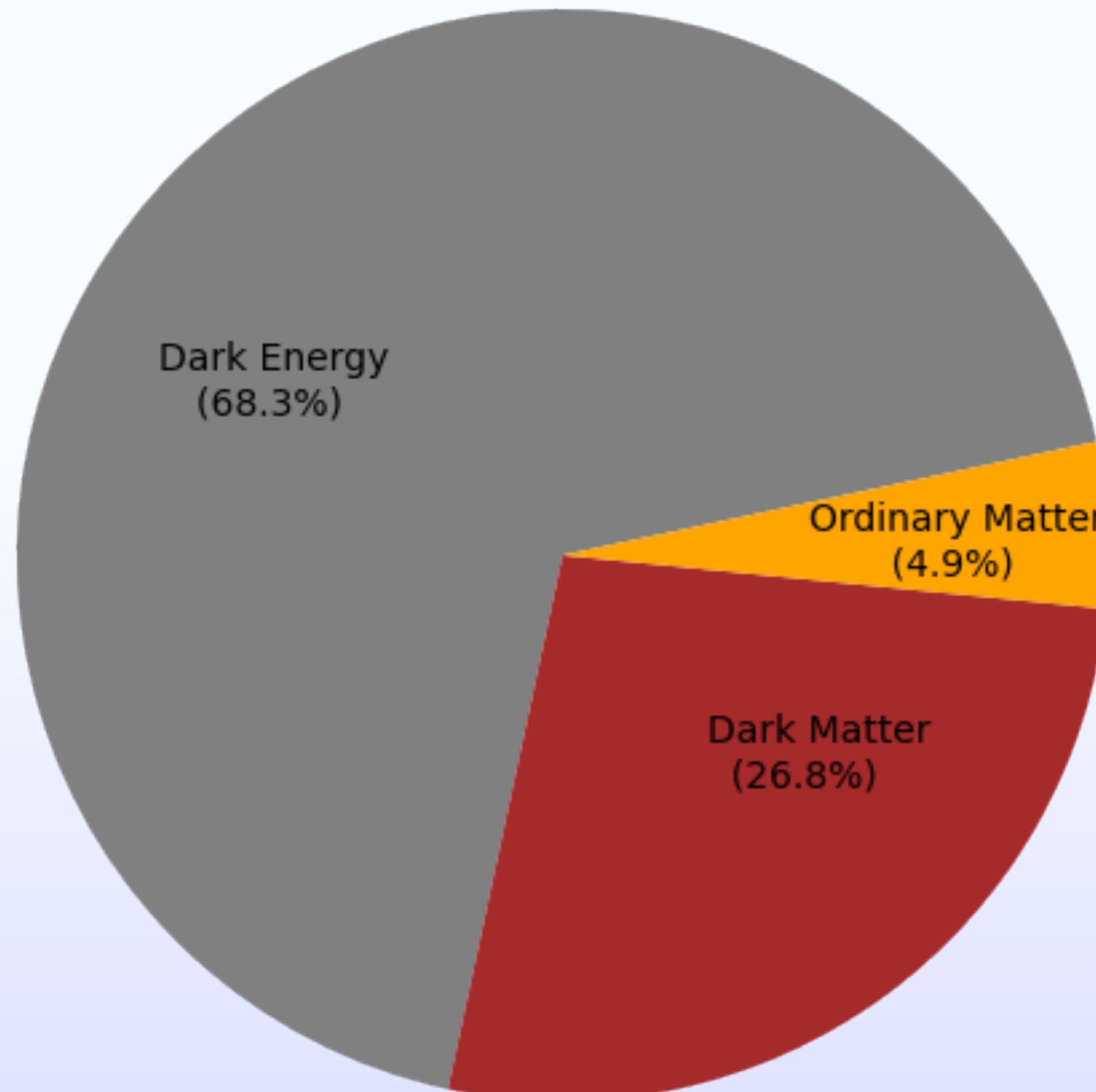
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Based on the recent work: Jin-Han Liang, Yi Liao, XDM, Hao-Lin Wang, 2309.12166

Outline

- **Introduction**
- **Dark sector effective field theory (DSEFT)**
- **Phenomenologies**
- **Summary**

Evidence of the DM



- Galaxy rotation curves
- Gravitational lensing
- Bullet Cluster
- CMB power spectrum
- Structure formation
- N-body simulation
- ...

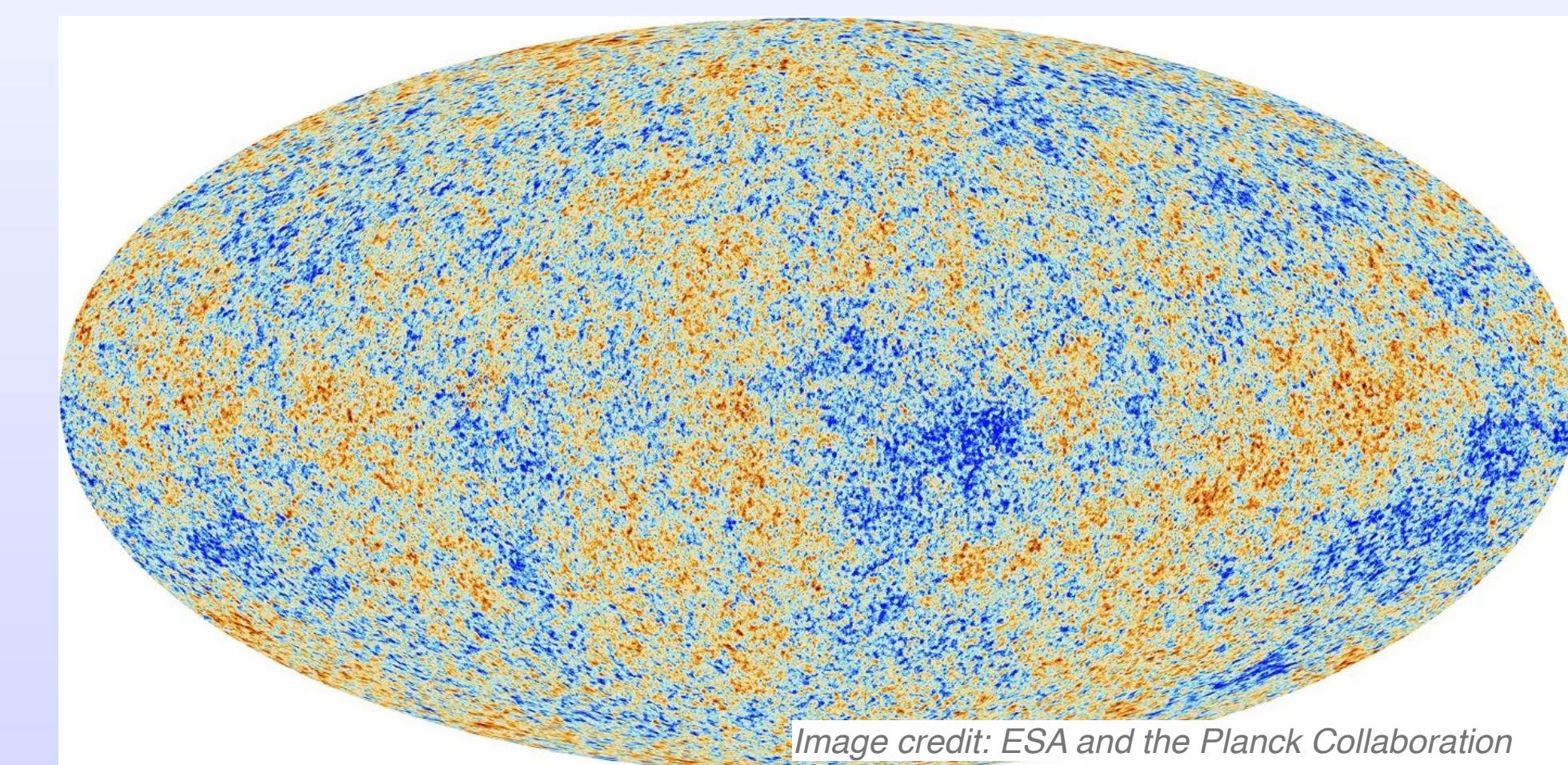
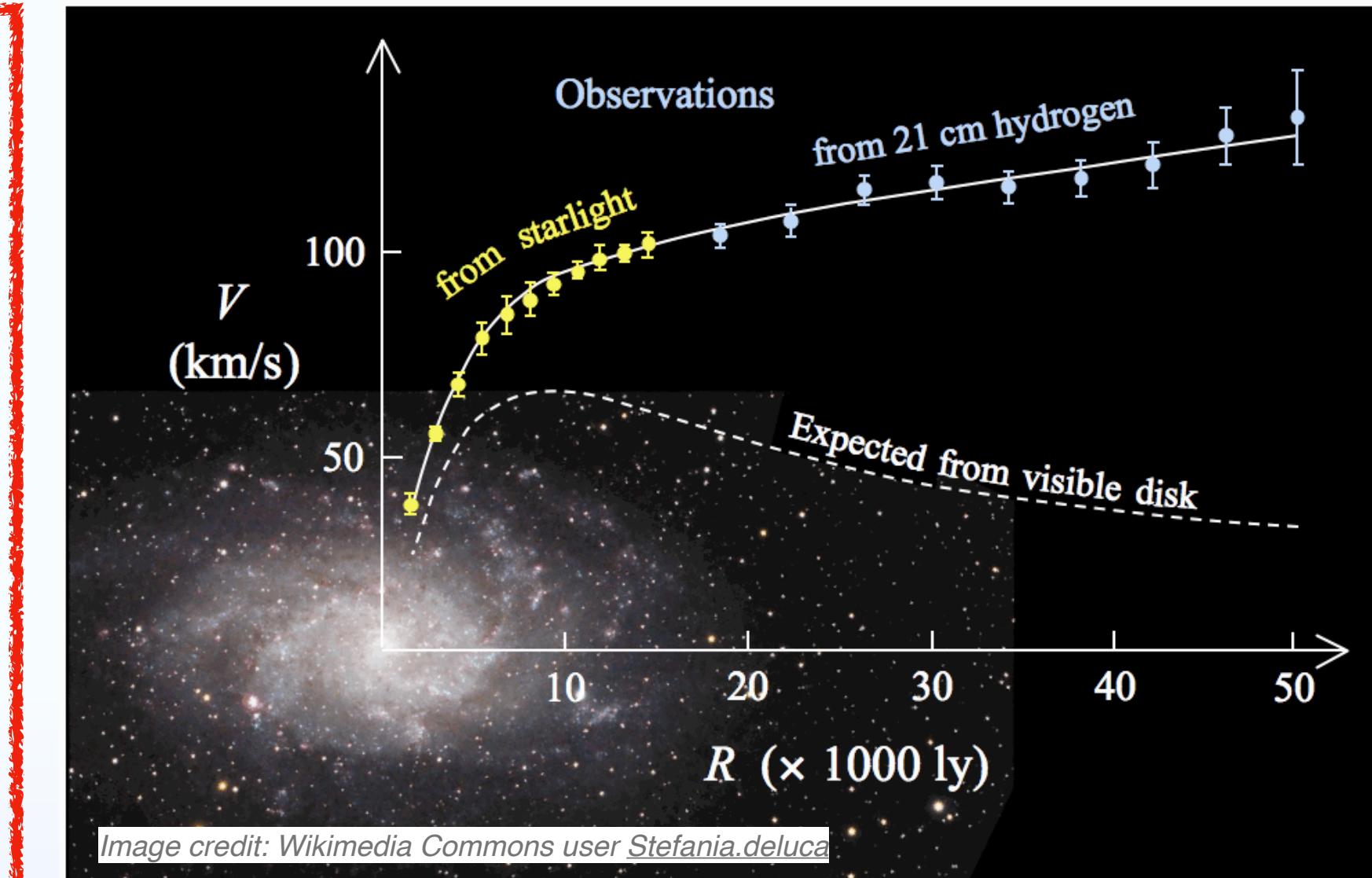
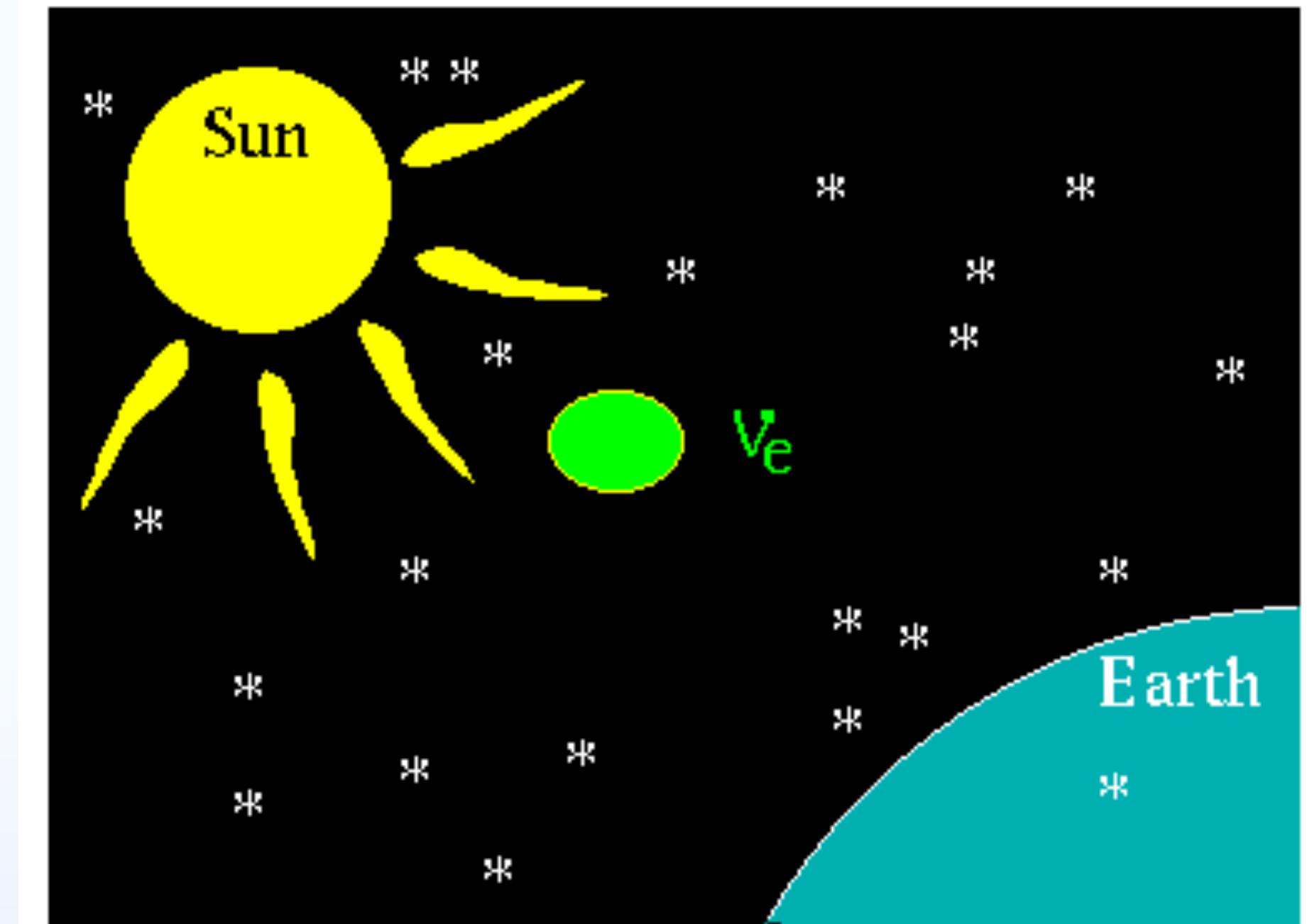


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Other beyond SM physics facts

- Neutrino oscillation => neutrino mass
- Dark energy
- Baryon asymmetry of the Universe
- Anomalies: τ_{neutron} , CDF m_W , muon $g - 2$, ...



<https://lappweb.in2p3.fr/neutrinos/aoscillanim.html>

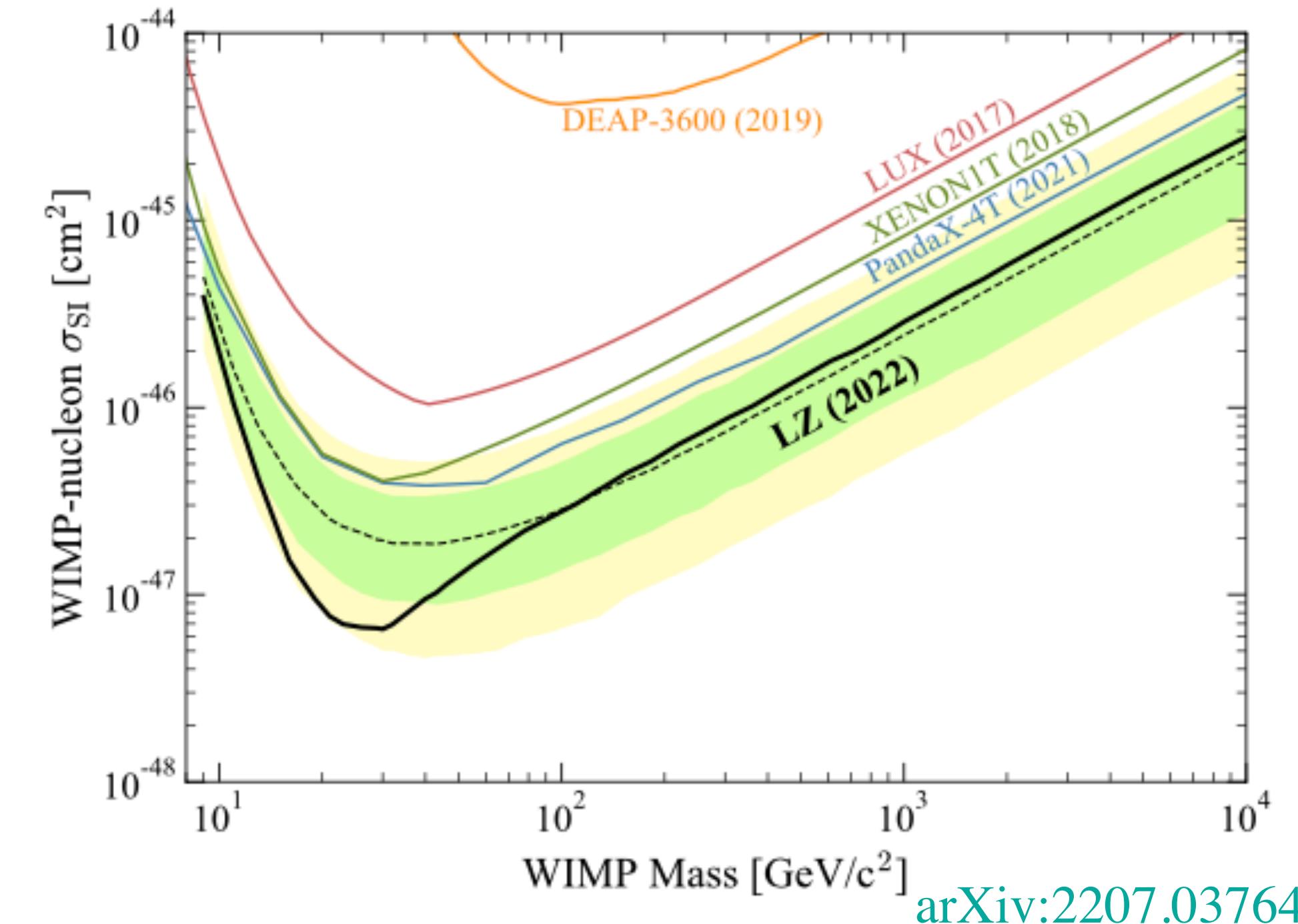
- Strong CP problem
- Higgs hierarchy
- Cosmological constant
- Quantum gravity
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BSM New Physics

Why dark sector?

- DM abundance $\approx 4 \times$ SM contribution;
- Strong constraints on heavy dark matter particles;
- Light DM are more viable, usually accompanied by other light degrees of freedom.



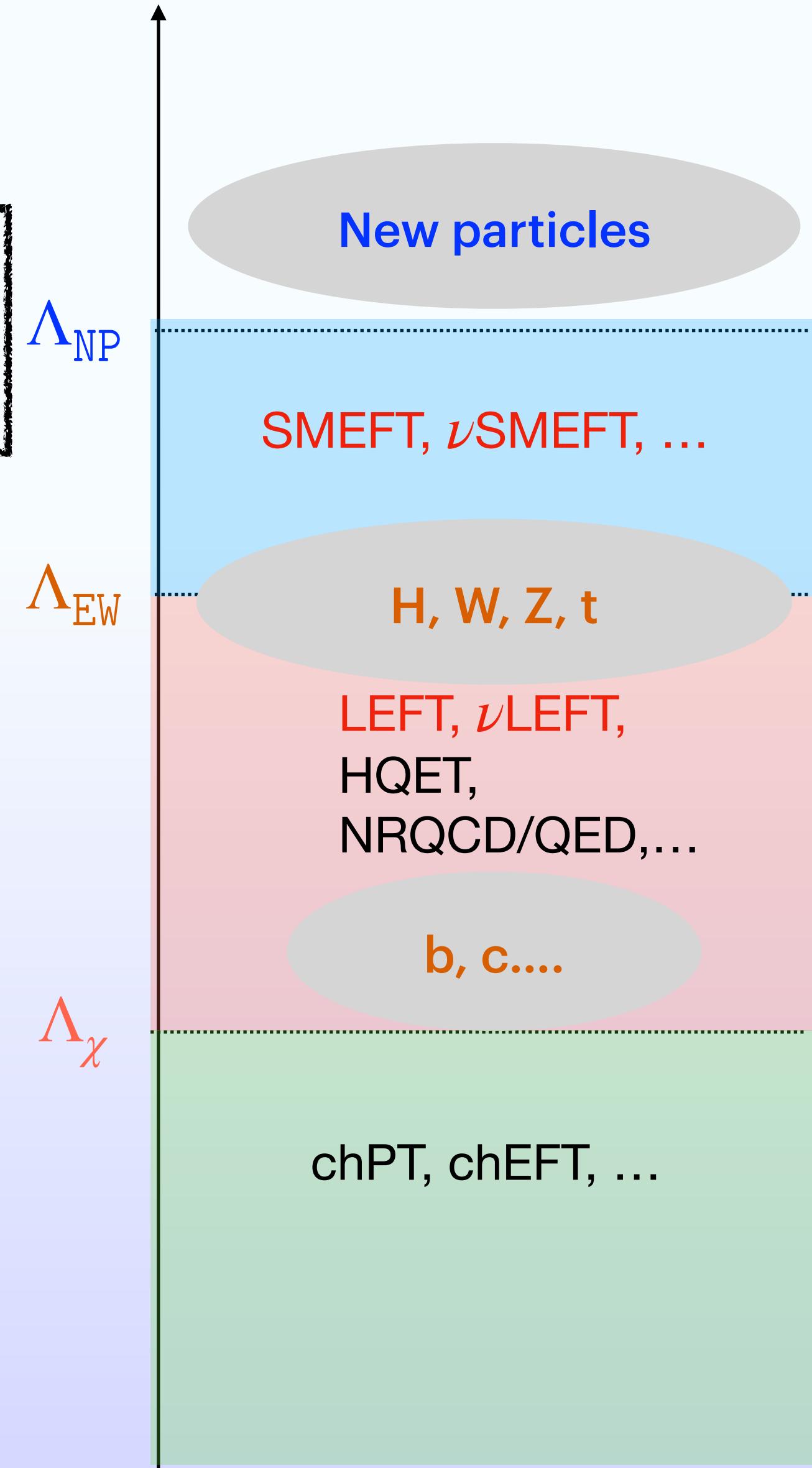
Bottom-up approach — EFT

Most processes searching for DM effects are at low energy,
far below the EW scale: DM (in-) direct detection



EFT framework

Merit: Model independent study of NP effects for low energy observables



The ingredients of the DSEFT

- **LEFT framework with symmetry:** $SU(3)_c \times U(1)_{\text{em}}$
- **SM Fields:** $\Psi = \{u, d, s, c, b; e, \mu, \tau\}; \nu_L = \{\nu_{eL}, \nu_{\mu L}, \nu_{\tau L}\}; F, G$
- **New light ones:**
scalar : ϕ, S ; fermion : χ, ψ ; vector : X, V
- **Power counting: canonical dimension d**
- **Range:** $E \ll \Lambda_{\text{EW}}$

SM+ a single particle

- SM + scalar: ALPEFT = SM+ axion-like particle
- SM + fermion: nuSMEFT = SM + sterile neutrino
- SM + vector: dark photon EFT = SM + dark photon
- DMEFT: DM + a stable Z_2 DM particle (spin-0, 1/2, 1, 3/2)

SMEFT framework:

- Y. Liao, XDM, 1612.04527, J.-H. Yu et al, 2105.09329
I. Brivio et al, 1701.05379
J. Brod et al, 1710.10218
J. C. Criado et al, 2104.14443
J. Aebischer et al, 2202.06968
H. Song, H. Sun, J.-H. Yu, 2305.16770, 2306.05999.
Grojean, J. Kley, Y. Yao, 2307.08563.

SM+ two different particles

- (1) scalar-scalar-SM ($\phi - S$ -SM);
- (2) fermion-fermion-SM ($\chi - \psi$ -SM);
- (3) vector-vector-SM ($X - V$ -SM);
- (4) scalar-fermion-SM ($\phi - \chi$ -SM);
- (5) scalar-vector-SM ($\phi - X$ -SM);
- (6) fermion-vector-SM ($\chi - X$ -SM).

Our work
2309.12166

With the light one as DM candidate

LEFT framework:

- M. Bauer et al, 2012.12272
R. Harnik, G. D. Kribs, 0810.5557
J. Fan, M. Reece, L.-T. Wang, 1008.1591]
E. Del Nobile, F. Sannino, 1102.3116]
R. Ding, Y. Liao, 1201.0506
J. Kumar, D. Marfatia, 1305.1611]
T. Alanne, F. Goertz, 1712.07626
C. Arina, J. Hajar, P. Klos, 2105.06477
X-G. He, XDM, G. Valencia, 2209.05223

Techniques to reach the non-redundant operators

- **Integration by parts(IBP)**: $0 \stackrel{!}{=} D(\mathcal{Q}_1 \mathcal{O}_2) = D(\mathcal{Q}_1) \mathcal{O}_2(\checkmark) + \mathcal{Q}_1 D(\mathcal{O}_2)(\times), \dots$
- **Equation of motion(EoM) & Field redefinition**: $iD_\mu \gamma^\mu Q(\times) = Y_u u \tilde{H}(\checkmark) + Y_d d H(\checkmark), \dots$
- **Fierz identity(FI)**: rearrangement of the fermion bilinears:

$$(\overline{\Psi_{1L}} \Psi_{2R})(\overline{\Psi_{3R}^C} \Psi_{4R}) = - (\overline{\Psi_{1L}} \Psi_{3R})(\overline{\Psi_{4R}^C} \Psi_{2R}) - (\overline{\Psi_{1L}} \Psi_{4R})(\overline{\Psi_{2R}^C} \Psi_{3R}), \dots$$

- **Group identity (GI)**: $(T^A)_{ab} (T^A)_{cd} = \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ad} \delta_{bc} - \frac{1}{2N} \delta_{ab} \delta_{cd}, \dots$
- **Schouten identity (SI)**: $\epsilon_{ij} \epsilon_{kl} = \epsilon_{il} \epsilon_{kj} - \epsilon_{ik} \epsilon_{lj}, \dots$
- **Dirac gamma matrix(DG)**: $\sigma_{\mu\nu} P_\pm = \mp \frac{1}{2} i \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \sigma^{\rho\sigma} P_\pm, \dots$
- **Bianchi identity (BI)**: $D_\nu \tilde{X}^{\mu\nu} = 0.$

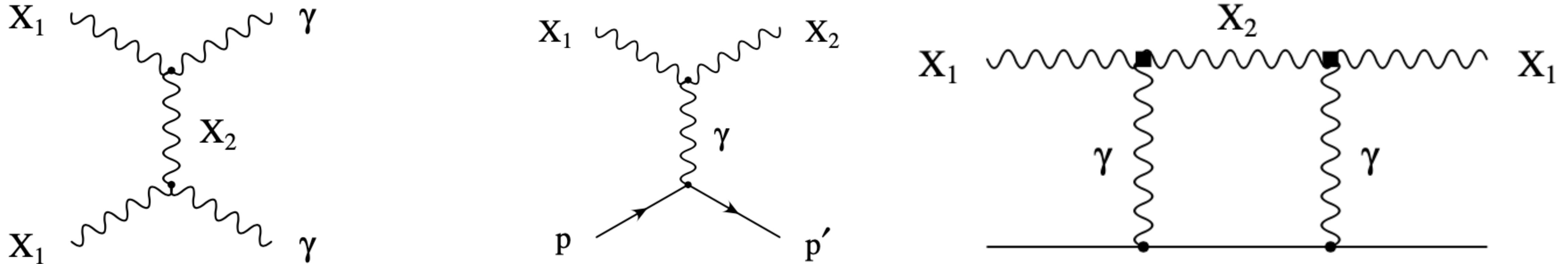
Classification of all DSEFT operators

Dimension	scalar-scalar-SM	fermion-fermion-SM	vector-vector-SM	scalar-fermion-SM	scalar-vector-SM	fermion-vector-SM
Dim 4	—	—	FXV	$(\bar{\nu}_L \chi) \phi + \text{h.c.}$	—	$(\bar{\nu}_L \chi) X + \text{h.c.}$
Dim 5	$(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) \phi S$	$(\bar{\chi} \psi) F$	$(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) X V$	—	$FX \phi D$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) X \phi$	$(\bar{\nu}_L \chi) X D + \text{h.c.}$
Dim 6	$(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) \phi S D$	$(\bar{\chi} \psi) (\bar{\Psi} \Psi)$	$FX V D^2$ $F^2 X V, G^2 X V$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) X V D$	$(\bar{\nu}_L \chi) \phi F + \text{h.c.}$	$(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) X \phi D$	$(\bar{\nu}_L \chi) X F + \text{h.c.}$
Dim 7	$(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) \phi S F$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) \phi S G$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) \phi S D^2$	$(\bar{\chi} \psi) F^2$ $(\bar{\chi} \psi) G^2$ $(\bar{\chi} \psi) (\bar{\Psi} \Psi) D$	$(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) X V D^2$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) F X V$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) G X V$	$(\bar{\nu}_L \chi) \phi F D$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) (\bar{\nu}_L \chi) \phi + \text{h.c.}$ $(\bar{d} u) (\bar{\chi} \ell) \phi$ $(\bar{d} u) (\bar{\chi} \ell) \phi$	$X \phi F^2 D, X \phi G^2 D$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) F X \phi, (\bar{\Psi} \Psi) G X \phi$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) X \phi D^2$	$(\bar{\nu}_L \chi) X F D$ $(\bar{\Psi} \Psi) (\bar{\nu}_L \chi) X + \text{h.c.}$ $(\bar{\chi} \ell) (\bar{d} u) X$ $(\bar{\chi} u) (d d) X$

Phenomenologies

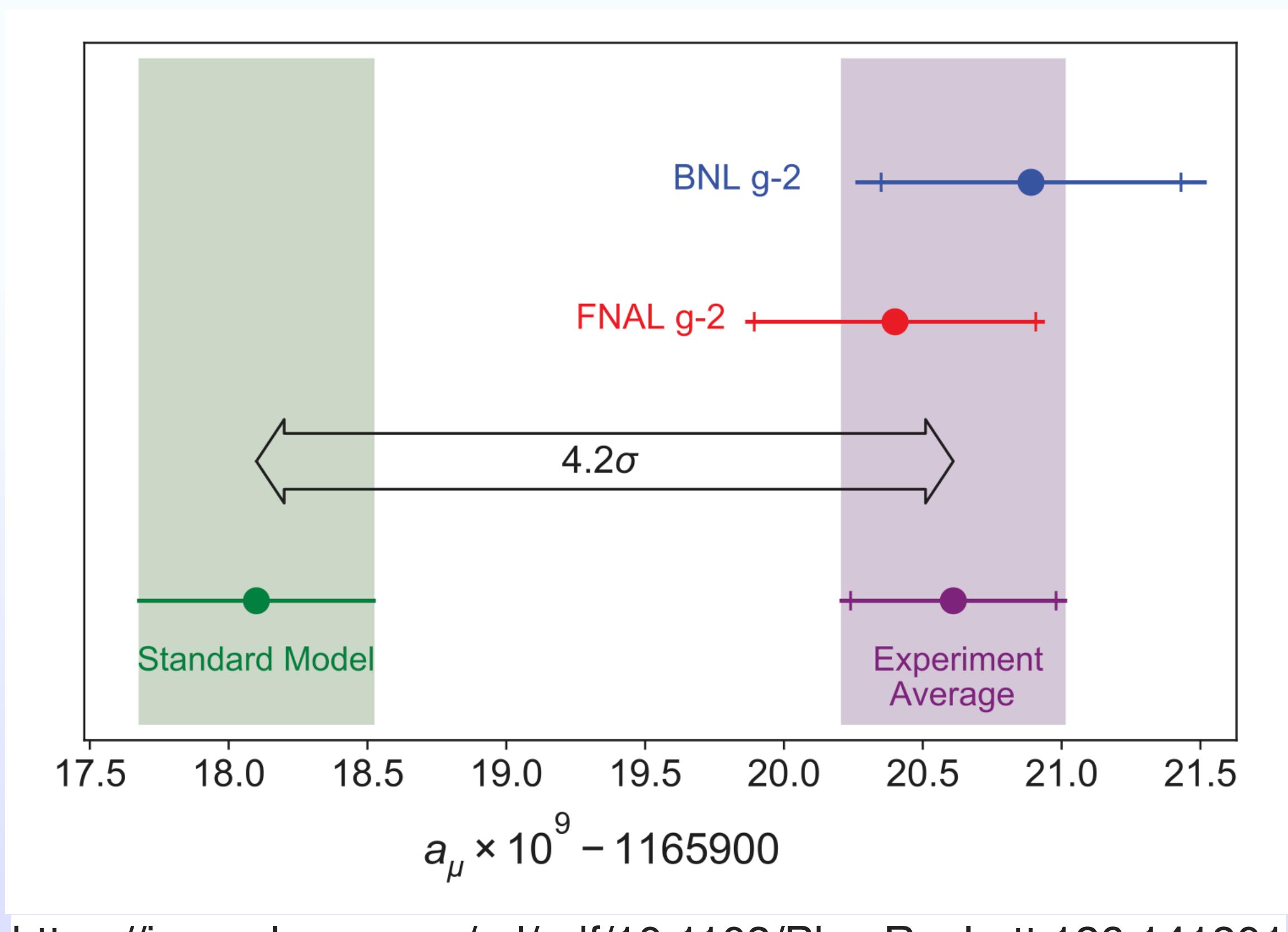
Exotic vector DM interaction

$$F^\mu_{\nu} X_{\mu\rho} V^{\nu\rho}, \quad \tilde{F}^\mu_{\nu} X_{\mu\rho} V^{\nu\rho}$$

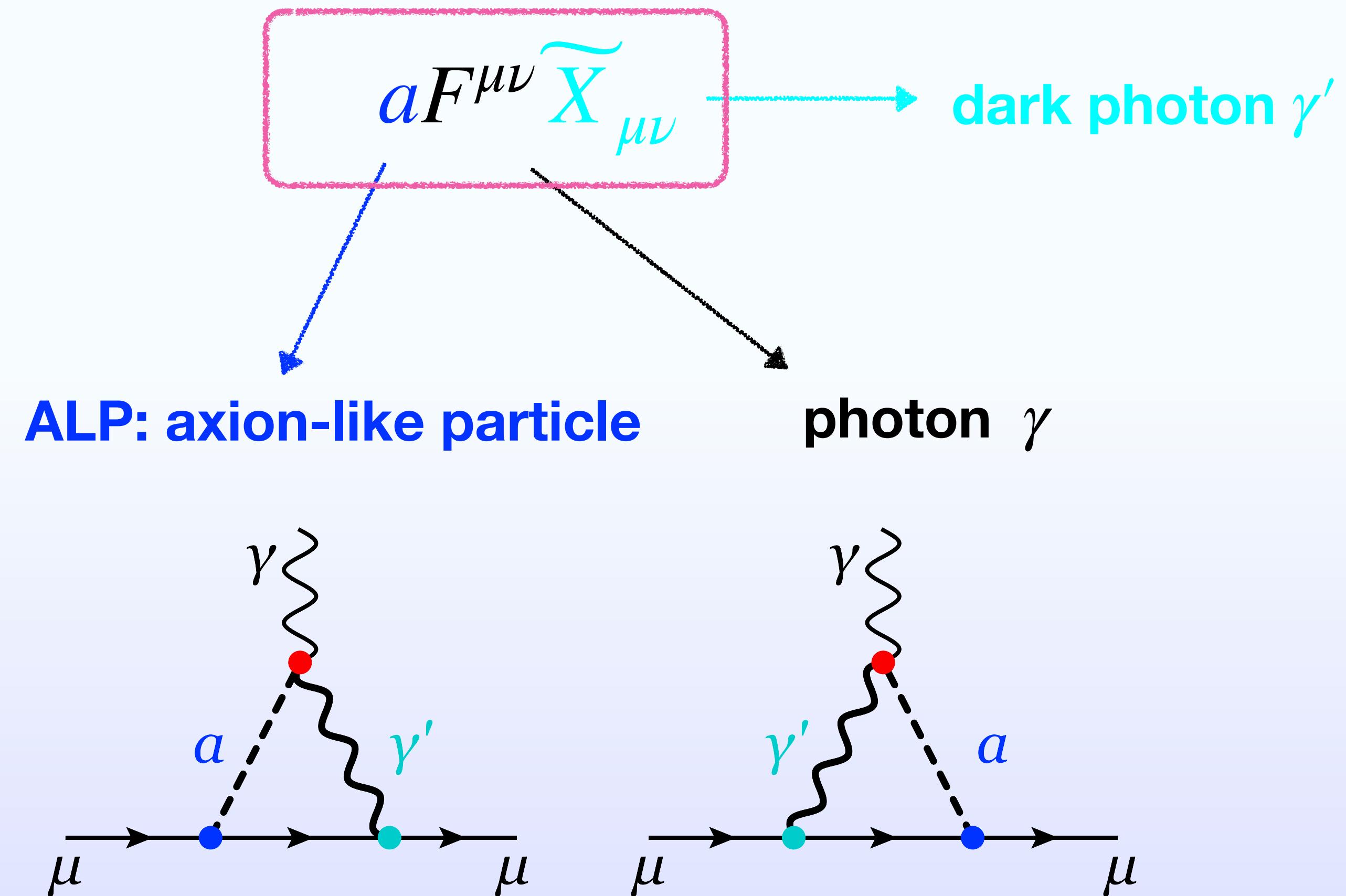


J. Aebischer et al, 2202.06968

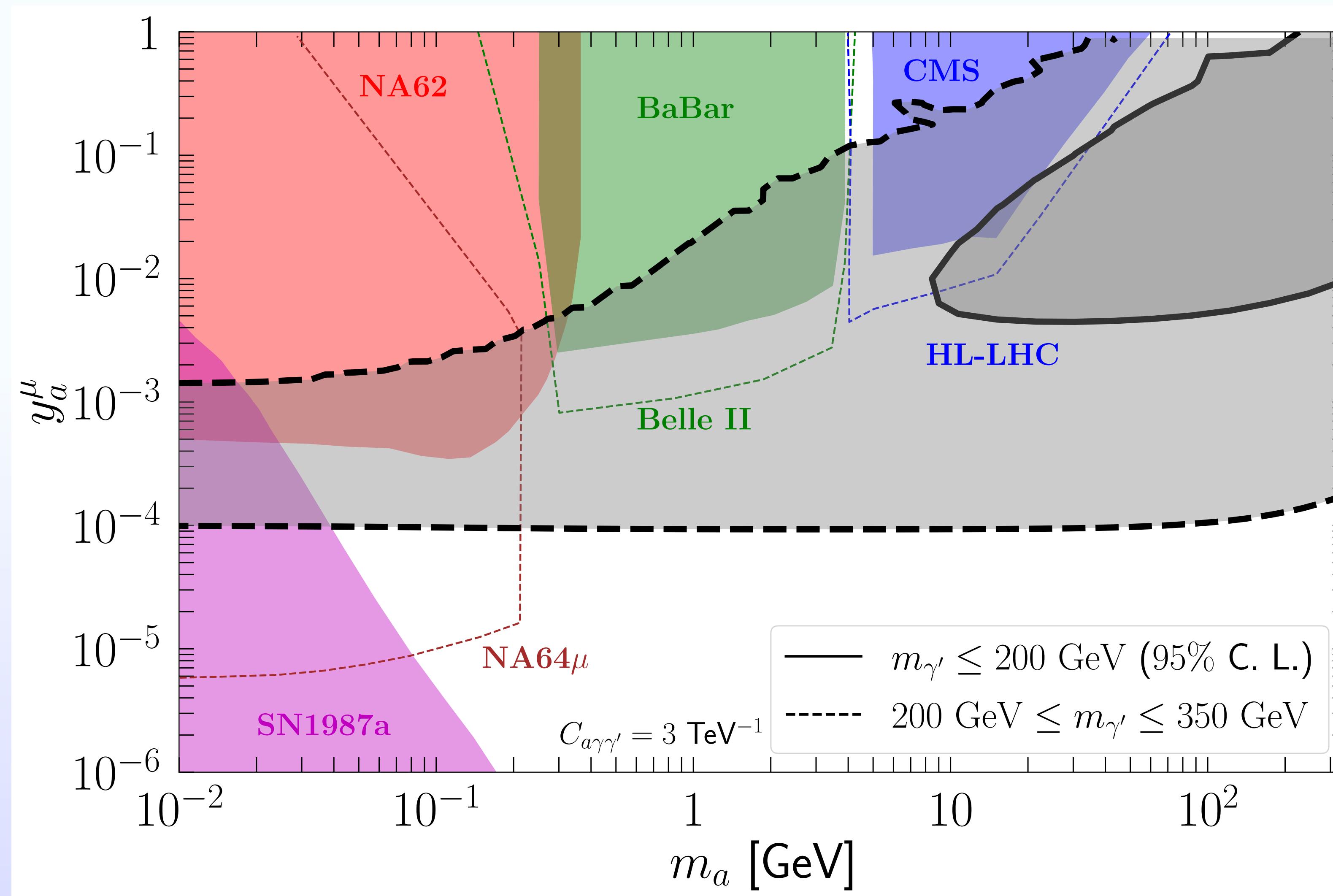
Dark axion portal to explain the Δa_μ



<https://journals.aps.org/prl/pdf/10.1103/PhysRevLett.126.141801>



$$\mathcal{L} \ni y_a^\mu a \bar{\mu} (i\gamma_5) \mu - \epsilon e \bar{\mu} \gamma^\nu \mu \textcolor{cyan}{X}_\nu$$



The dark axion portal can surprisingly save the ALP and dark photon for explaining the muon anomalous magnetic moment.

Fermionic absorption DM on electron or nuclear target

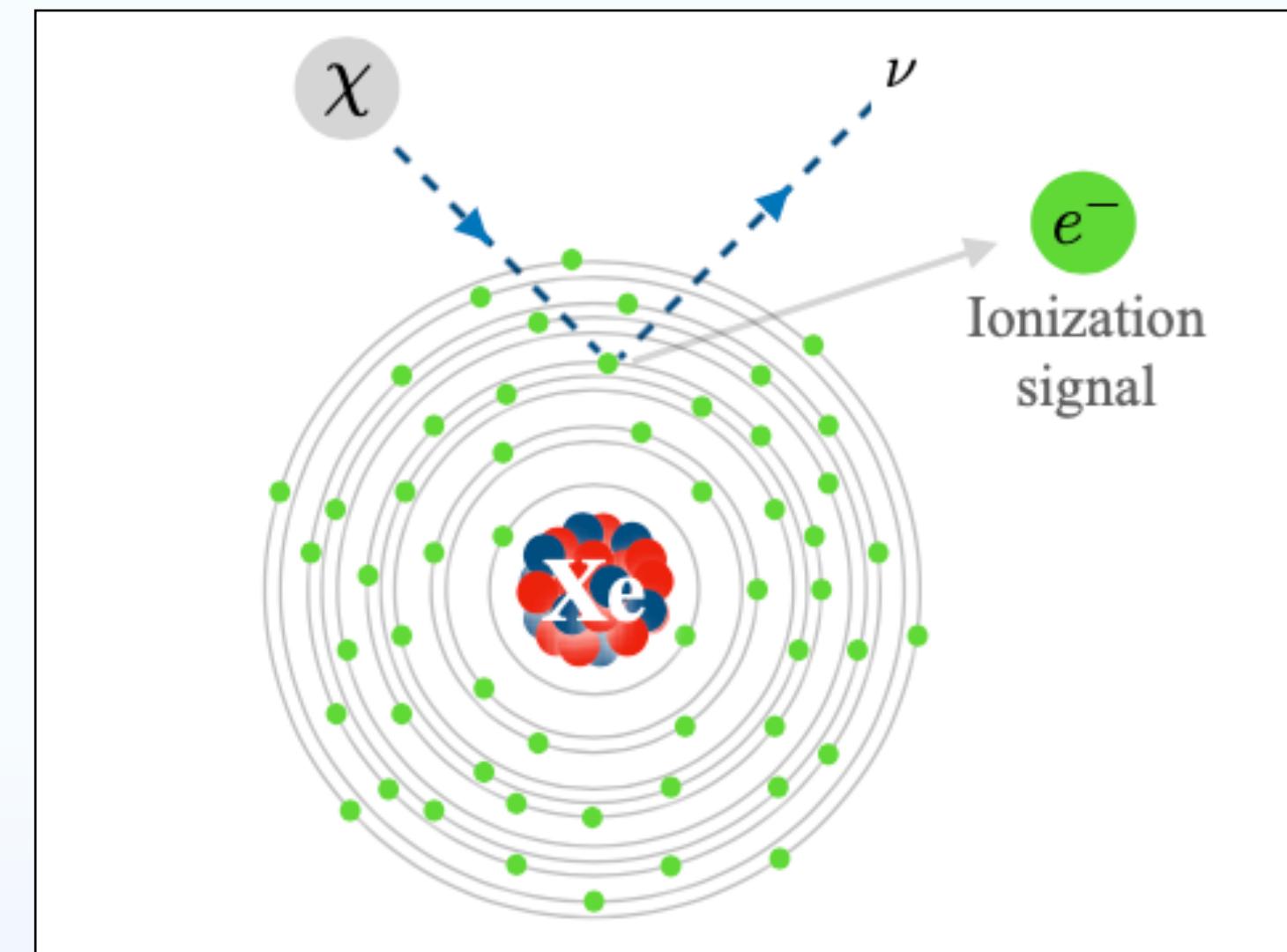
$$(\bar{e}\Gamma e)(\nu\Gamma\chi), \quad (\bar{q}\Gamma q)(\nu\Gamma\chi)$$

- Recoil energy in free case:

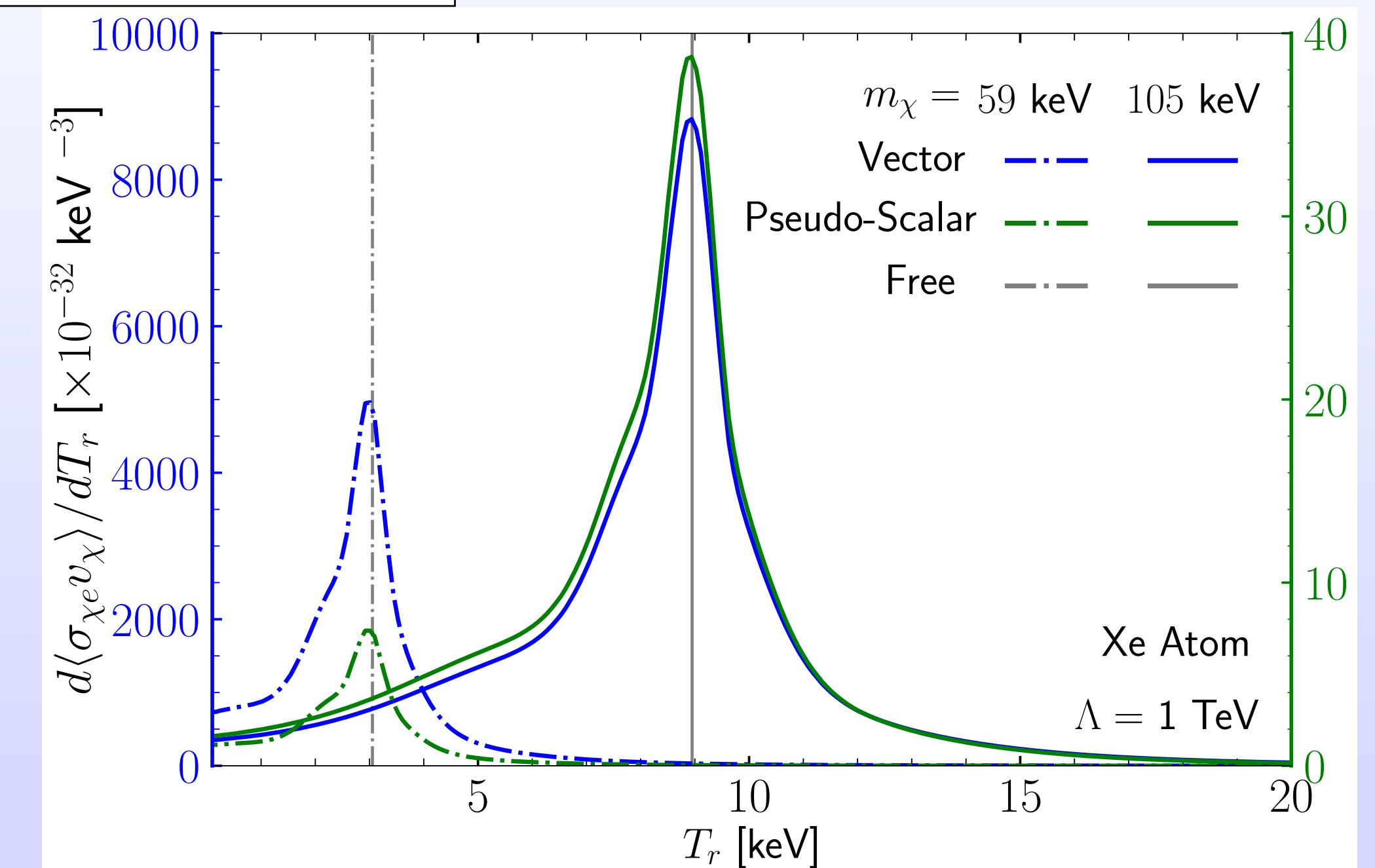
$$T_r \approx \frac{m_\chi^2}{2(m_\chi + m_e)} \approx 8 \text{ keV} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{100 \text{ keV}} \right)^2$$

- Unique signature in D.D. exp.:

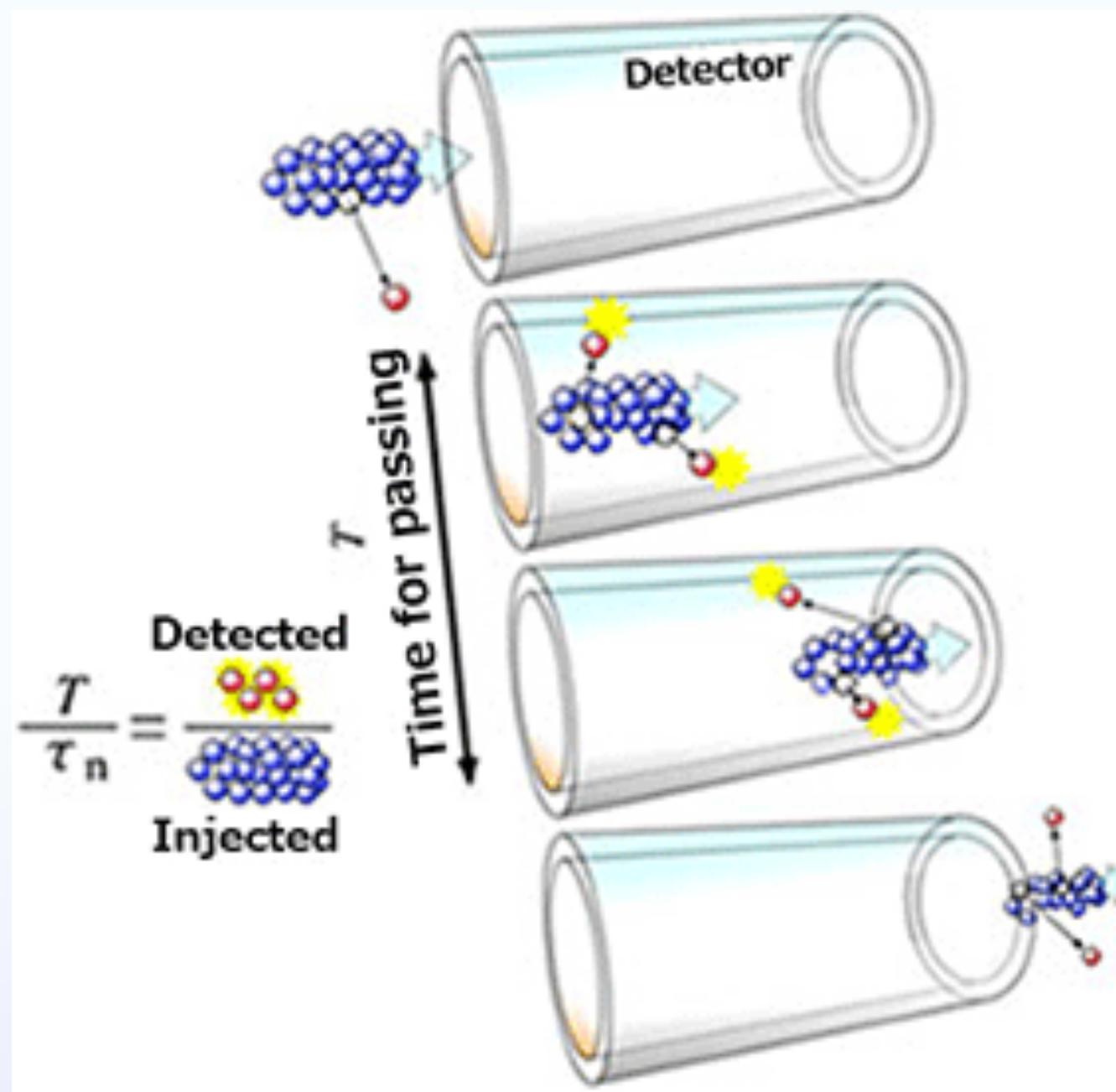
Peak-type energy spectrum



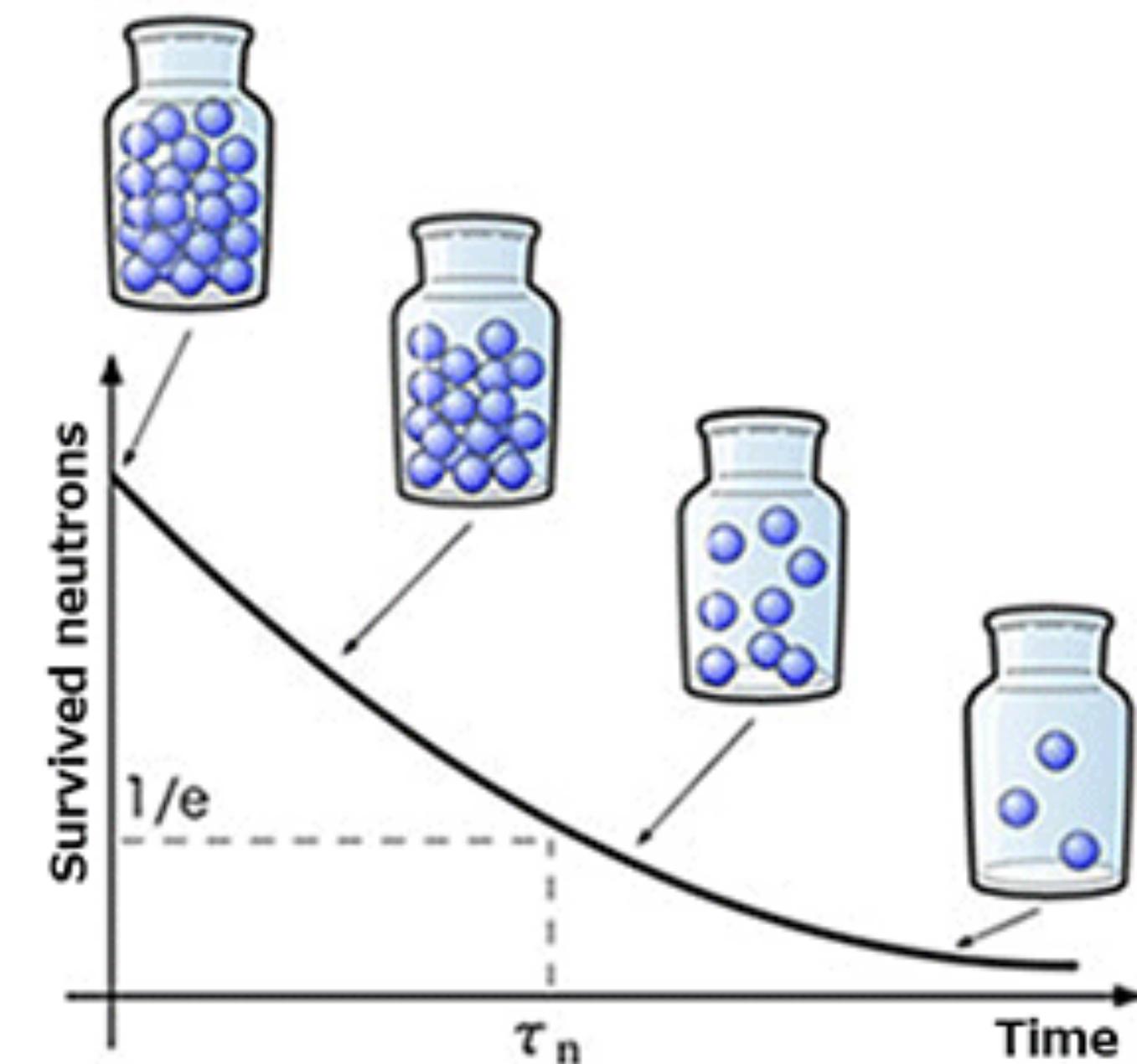
Dror, Elor, McGehee, T-T. Yu: 2011.01940,
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Dror, Elor, McGehee 1908.10861,
Li, Liao, Zhang, 2201.11905



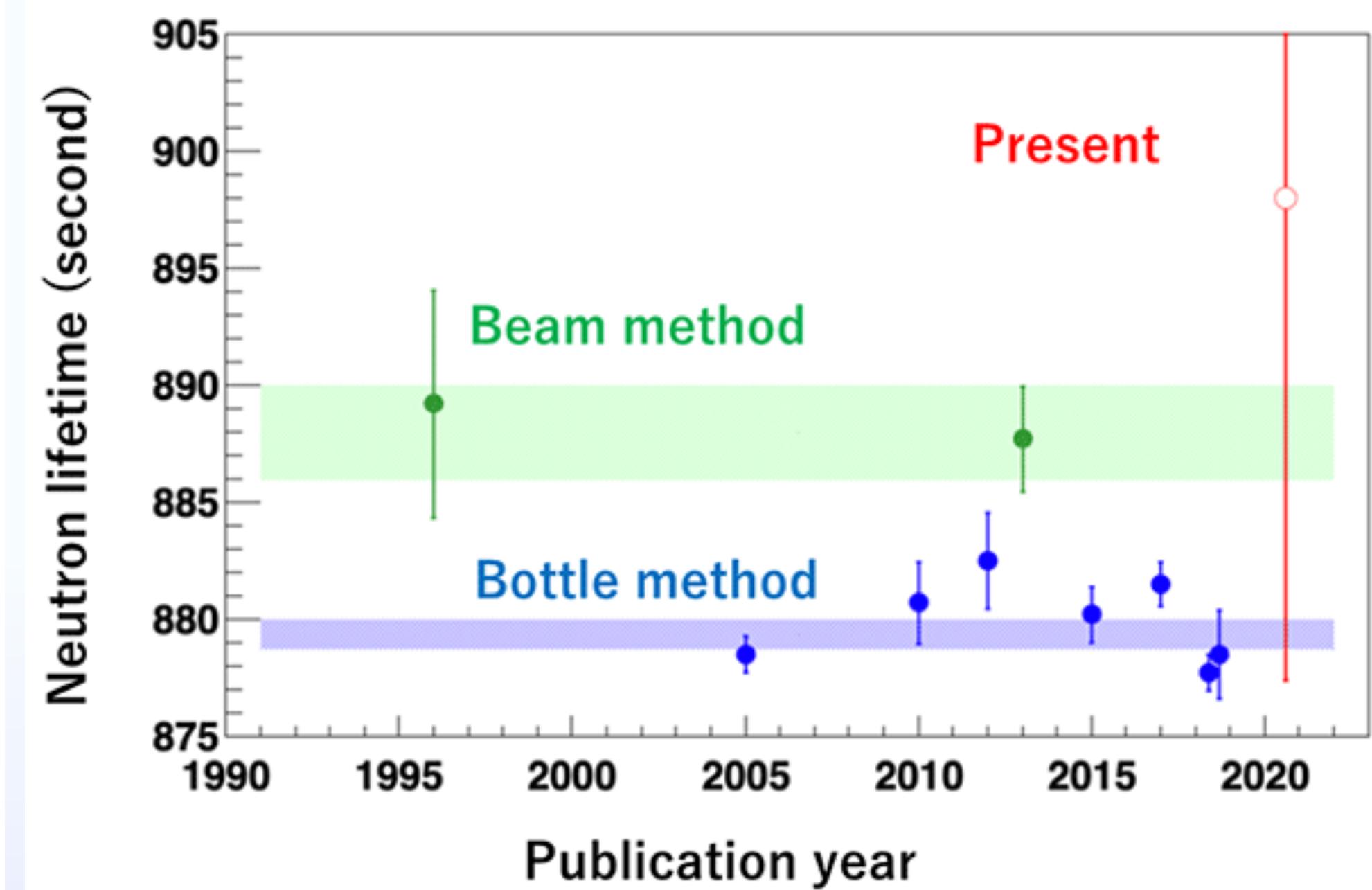
Neutron dark decay mode for its lifetime anomaly



Beam method



Bottle method



<https://www.icepp.s.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/information/20210129.html>

One solution: additional neutron dark decay mode

$$\Gamma_n^{\text{dark}} = \Gamma_n^{\text{tot}} - \Gamma_n^\beta = \tau_n^{-1} - \tau_{n,\beta}^{-1} = (8.184 \pm 1.688) \times 10^{-30} \text{ GeV}.$$

DSEFT

A natural framework to induce neutron dark decay

Fermion – scalar : $n \rightarrow \chi + \phi$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi\chi}^{\text{LR}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} P_L d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C P_R u_k) \phi,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi\chi}^{\text{RL}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} P_R d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C P_L u_k) \phi,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi\chi}^{\text{LL}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} P_L d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C P_L u_k) \phi,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi\chi}^{\text{RR}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} P_R d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C P_R u_k) \phi.$$

Fermion – vector : $n \rightarrow \chi + X$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi X}^{\text{LLL}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} \gamma_\mu P_L d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C P_L u_k) X^\mu,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi X}^{\text{RRR}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} \gamma_\mu P_R d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C P_R u_k) X^\mu,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi X}^{\text{LRR}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} \gamma_\mu P_L d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C P_R u_k) X^\mu (\Lambda),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi X}^{\text{RLL}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} \gamma_\mu P_R d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C P_L u_k) X^\mu (\Lambda),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi X1}^{\text{LLR}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} P_L d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C \gamma_\mu P_R u_k) X^\mu,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi X1}^{\text{RRL}} = \epsilon^{ijk} (\bar{\chi} P_R d_i) (\overline{d}_j^C \gamma_\mu P_L u_k) X^\mu,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi X2}^{\text{LLR}} = \epsilon^{ijk} [(\bar{\chi} P_L d_i) (\overline{u}_j^C \gamma_\mu P_R d_k) + (\bar{\chi} P_L u_i) (\overline{d}_j^C \gamma_\mu P_R d_k)] X^\mu (\Sigma),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi X2}^{\text{RRL}} = \epsilon^{ijk} [(\bar{\chi} P_R d_i) (\overline{u}_j^C \gamma_\mu P_L d_k) + (\bar{\chi} P_R u_i) (\overline{d}_j^C \gamma_\mu P_L d_k)] X^\mu (\Sigma),$$

Nucleon matrix element

Chiral perturbation theory plus lattice QCD

Chiral symmetry : $SU(3)_L \otimes SU(3)_R$

$\mathbf{8}_L \otimes \mathbf{1}_R$: $\mathcal{O}_{\phi\chi}^{LL}, \mathcal{O}_{\chi X}^{LLL}$

$\mathbf{1}_L \otimes \mathbf{8}_R$: $\mathcal{O}_{\phi\chi}^{RR}, \mathcal{O}_{\chi X}^{RRR}$

$\mathbf{3}_L \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}}_R$: $\mathcal{O}_{\phi\chi}^{LR}, \mathcal{O}_{\chi X}^{RLL}$

$\bar{\mathbf{3}}_L \otimes \mathbf{3}_R$: $\mathcal{O}_{\phi\chi}^{RL}, \mathcal{O}_{\chi X}^{LRR}$

$\mathbf{6}_L \otimes \mathbf{3}_R$: $\mathcal{O}_{\chi X 1,2}^{LLR} (\times)$

$\mathbf{3}_L \otimes \mathbf{6}_R$: $\mathcal{O}_{\chi X 1,2}^{RRL} (\times)$

Higher order in ChPT power counting

$$\xi = \exp \left[\frac{i\sqrt{2}\Pi(x)}{F_0} \right],$$

$$\Pi = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} & \pi^+ & K^+ \\ \pi^- & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} & K^0 \\ K^- & \bar{K}^0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\eta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\Sigma^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\Lambda^0 & \Sigma^+ & p \\ \Sigma^- & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\Sigma^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\Lambda^0 & n \\ \Xi^- & \Xi^0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\Lambda^0 \end{pmatrix},$$

Chiral matching

- Chiral transformation: $B \rightarrow hBh^\dagger$, $\xi \rightarrow L\xi h^\dagger = h\xi R^\dagger$, with $h \in \text{SU}(3)_V$
- Spurion or external sources: $\mathcal{P}_{x_L \otimes y_R} \sim C_i \bar{\chi} \phi(X)$
- Leading order matching result:

$$\alpha \text{Tr} \left[\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{3}_L \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}}_R} \xi^\dagger B_L \xi^\dagger + \mathcal{P}_{\bar{\mathbf{3}}_L \otimes \mathbf{3}_R} \xi B_R \xi \right] + \beta \text{Tr} \left[\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{8}_L \otimes \mathbf{1}_R} \xi B_L \xi^\dagger + \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{1}_L \otimes \mathbf{8}_R} \xi^\dagger B_R \xi \right]$$

- Low energy constants: $\alpha = -\beta = -0.0144(3)(21) \text{ GeV}^3$

Aoki, Izubuchi, Shintani, Soni: 1705.01338

Constraints

- Nuclear stability: requiring the stable nuclei to be not perturbed by these interactions (the **Q-value** of nuclear decay < the **separation energy** for a neutron in the nucleus)

$937.900 \text{ MeV} < M \equiv m_\chi + m_\phi < 939.565 \text{ MeV}$ from beryllium

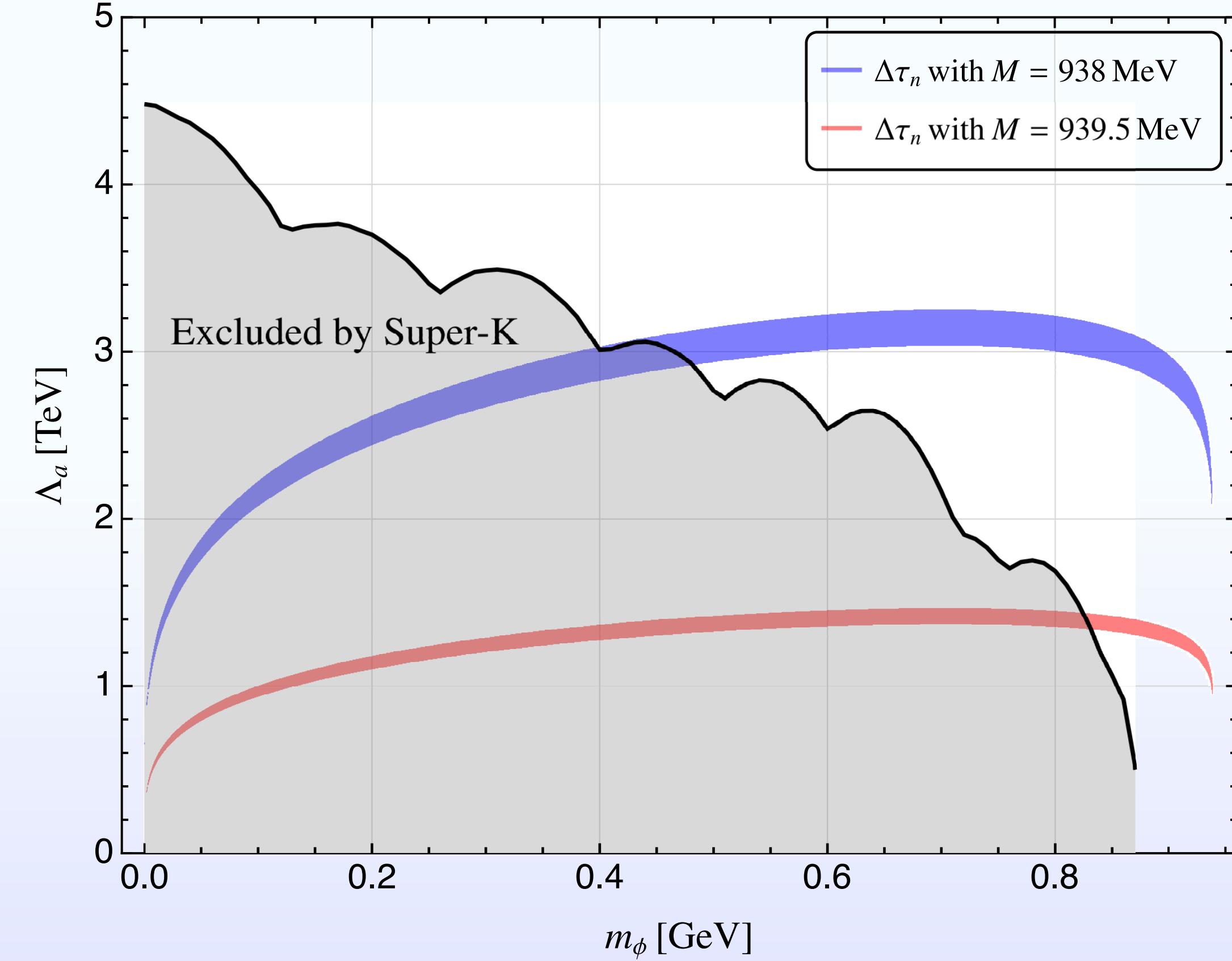
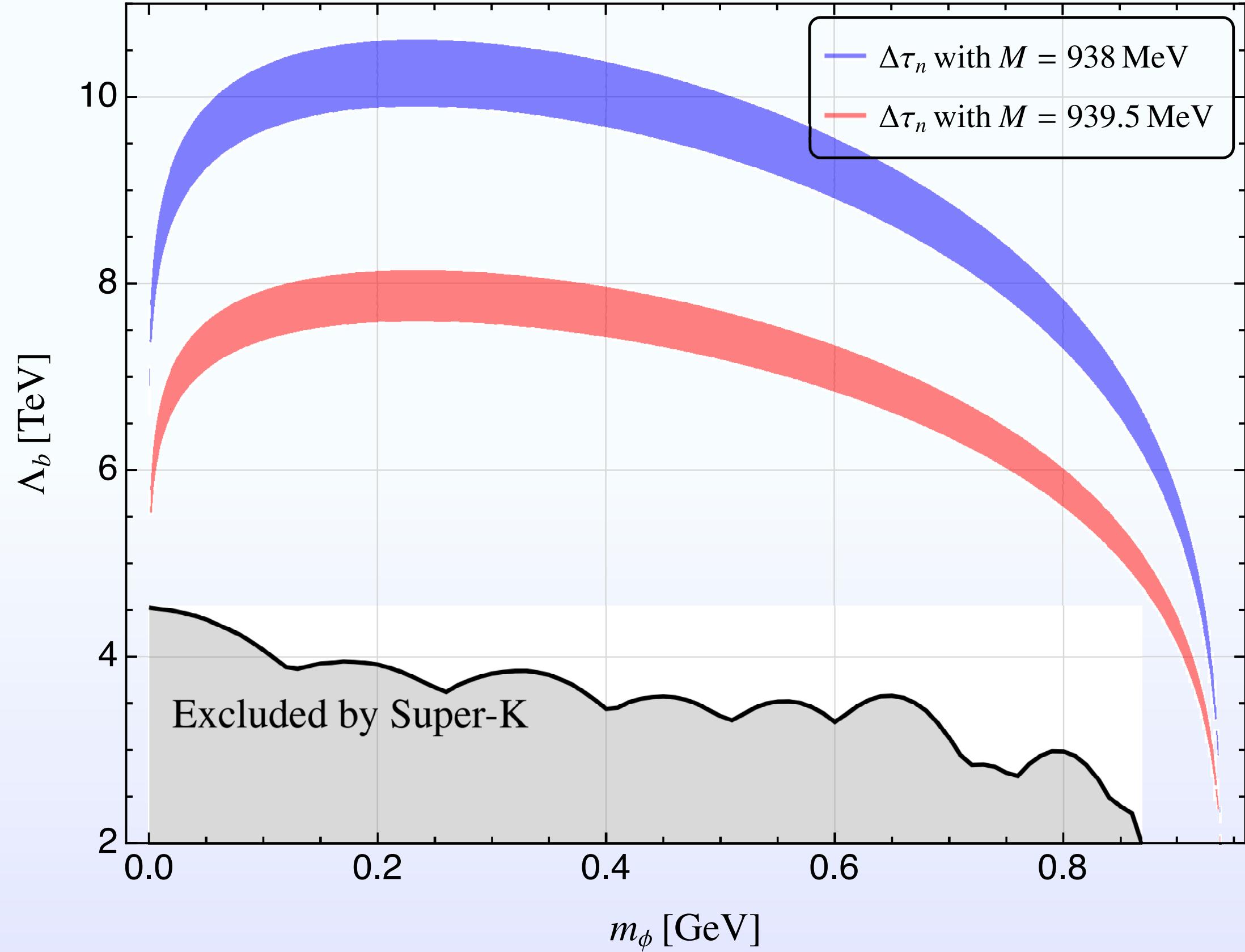
B. Fornal and B. Grinstein, 1801.01124

- The kinematic constraint leads the dark particles as **DM candidate**
- DM-neutron annihilation constraint: $\chi + n \rightarrow \phi + \pi^0, \pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$

Super-K: $n \rightarrow \bar{\nu} + \pi^0$

Super-Kamiokande Collaboration : 1305.4391

Fermion+scalar case as an example



$$\Gamma_{n \rightarrow \chi\phi} = \frac{\alpha_n^2 \lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}(m_n^2, m_\chi^2, m_\phi^2)}{\pi m_n^3} \left\{ \frac{1}{\Lambda_a^6} \left[(m_n - m_\chi)^2 - m_\phi^2 \right] + \frac{1}{\Lambda_b^6} \left[(m_n + m_\chi)^2 - m_\phi^2 \right] \right\},$$

$$\Lambda_{a,b}^{-3} = \frac{1}{8} \left[\left(C_{\phi\chi}^{\text{LR}} - C_{\phi\chi}^{\text{LL}} \right) \mp \left(C_{\phi\chi}^{\text{RL}} - C_{\phi\chi}^{\text{RR}} \right) \right]$$

The DSEFT can accommodate the neutron lifetime anomaly.

Conclusion

- The DSEFT is introduced in which the effective operators involving two different dark particles coupling to SM fields;
- The effective operators up to dim 7 are constructed for six different categories:

SS-SM, FF-SM, VV-SM, SF-SM, SV-SM, FV-SM

- Interesting phenomenologies are discussed concerning the DM puzzle and experimental anomalies;
- Outlook: explore its rich pheno from other observables as well as their UV completion.

Thank you for your time!