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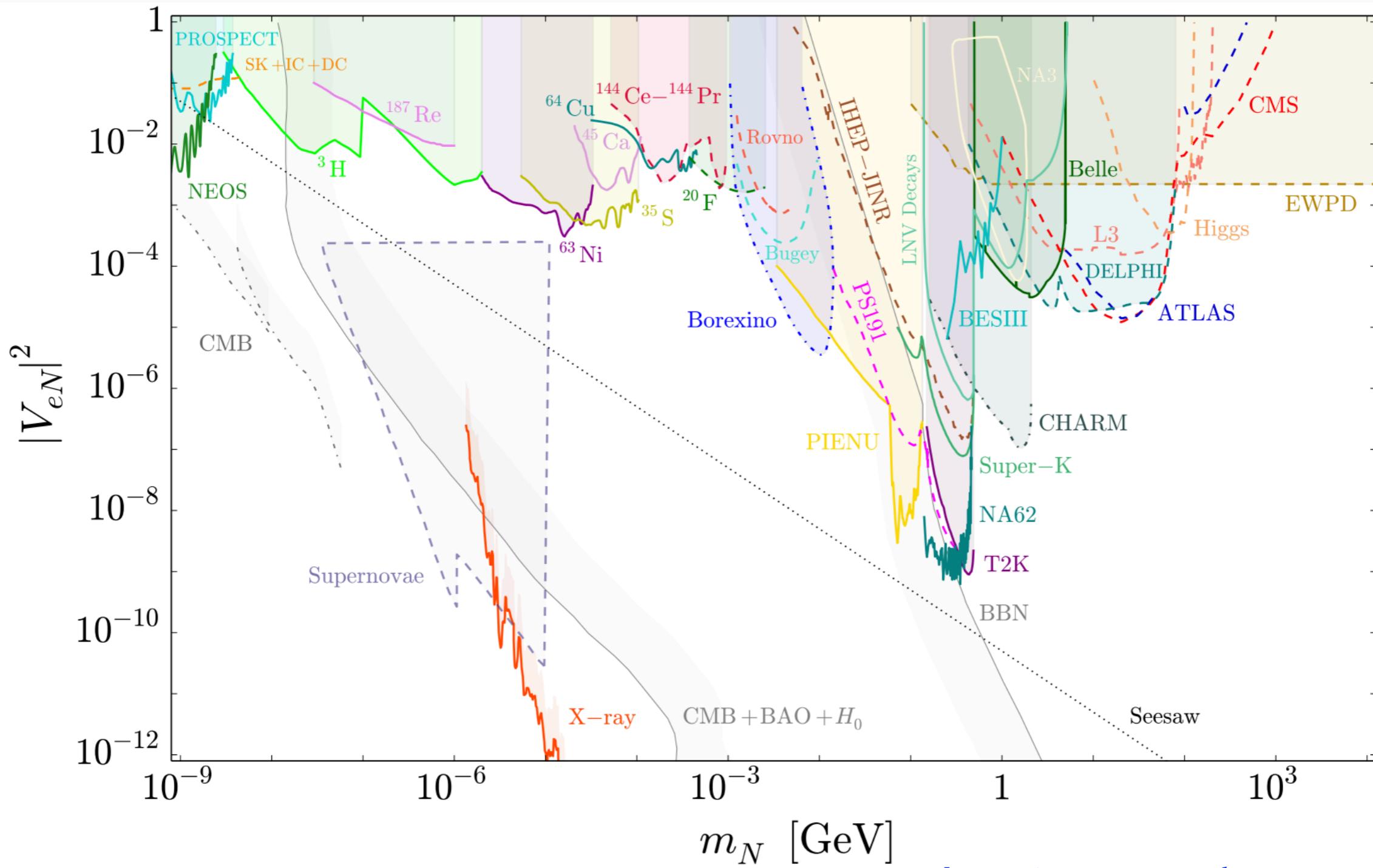
# Heavy neutral lepton searches via the dipole portal

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# Heavy Neutral Lepton - Mixing Portal

$$\Gamma_{\nu_s \rightarrow \nu_a \gamma} = 1.38 \cdot 10^{-29} \text{ sec}^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin^2 2\theta}{10^{-7}} \right) \left( \frac{m_s}{1 \text{ keV}} \right)^5.$$



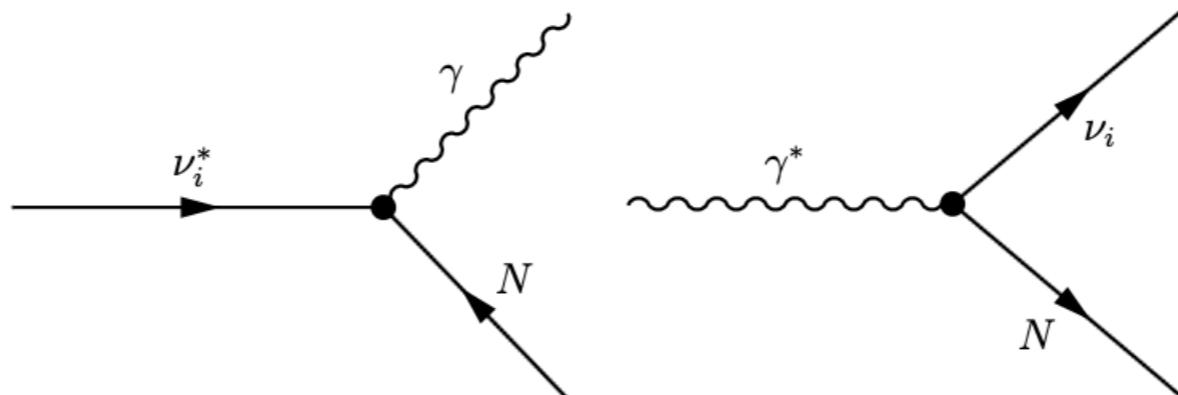
[P. D. Bolton, F. F. Deppisch, P. S. B. Dev, arXiv: 1912.03058]



# Heavy Neutral Lepton - Dipole Portal

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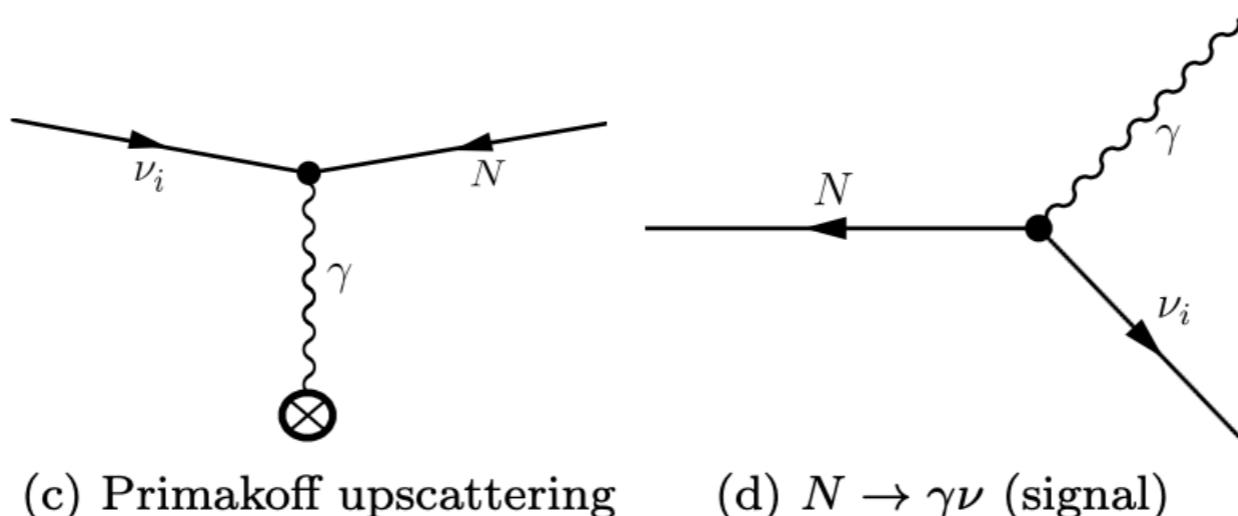
$$\pi^\pm, K^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \left( \overset{(-)}{\nu_\mu}{}^* \rightarrow \gamma \overset{(-)}{N} \right) \quad \pi^0, \eta \rightarrow \gamma (\gamma^* \rightarrow \nu_a N)$$



(a) Weak meson decays

(b) Dalitz-like decay

$$\text{Br}(M \rightarrow N) \propto \mu_\nu^2 m_M^2$$



(c) Primakoff upscattering

(d)  $N \rightarrow \gamma \nu$  (signal)

$$\Gamma_N = \frac{6}{4\pi} \mu_\nu^2 M_N^3$$

(flavor universal)

# Current Probes: terrestrial experiments

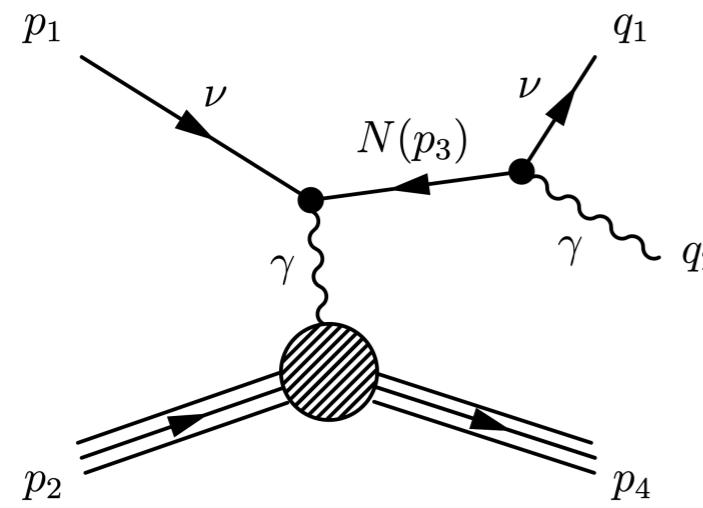


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Beam dump experiments:

MiniBoone, NONAD, CHARM

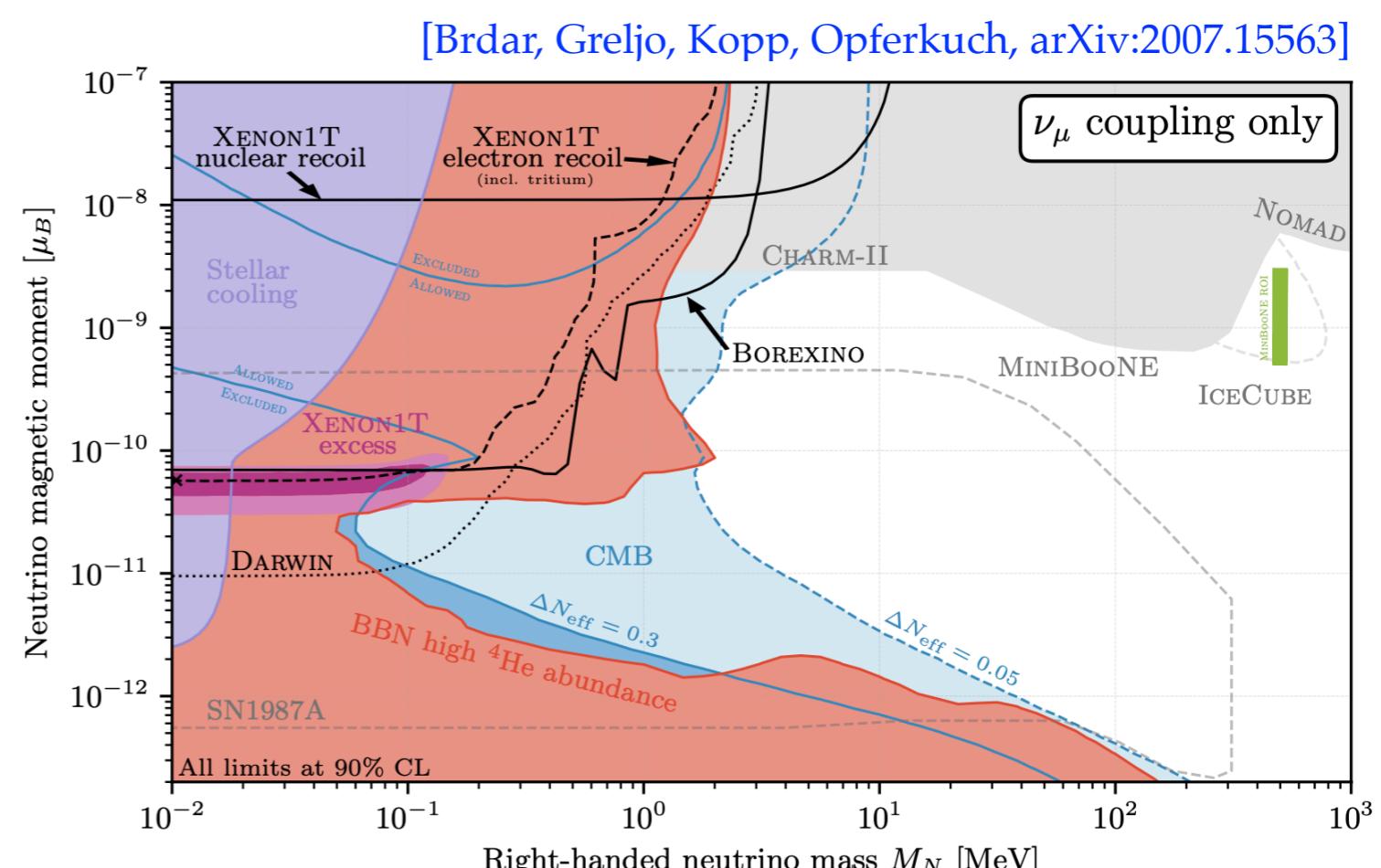
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$$\pi^0, \eta \rightarrow \gamma (\gamma^* \rightarrow \nu_a N)$$

$$\pi^\pm, K^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \left( \overset{(-)}{\nu_\mu} * \rightarrow \overset{(-)}{\gamma N} \right)$$

relevant for transition magnetic moments between  $\nu_\mu$  and  $N$



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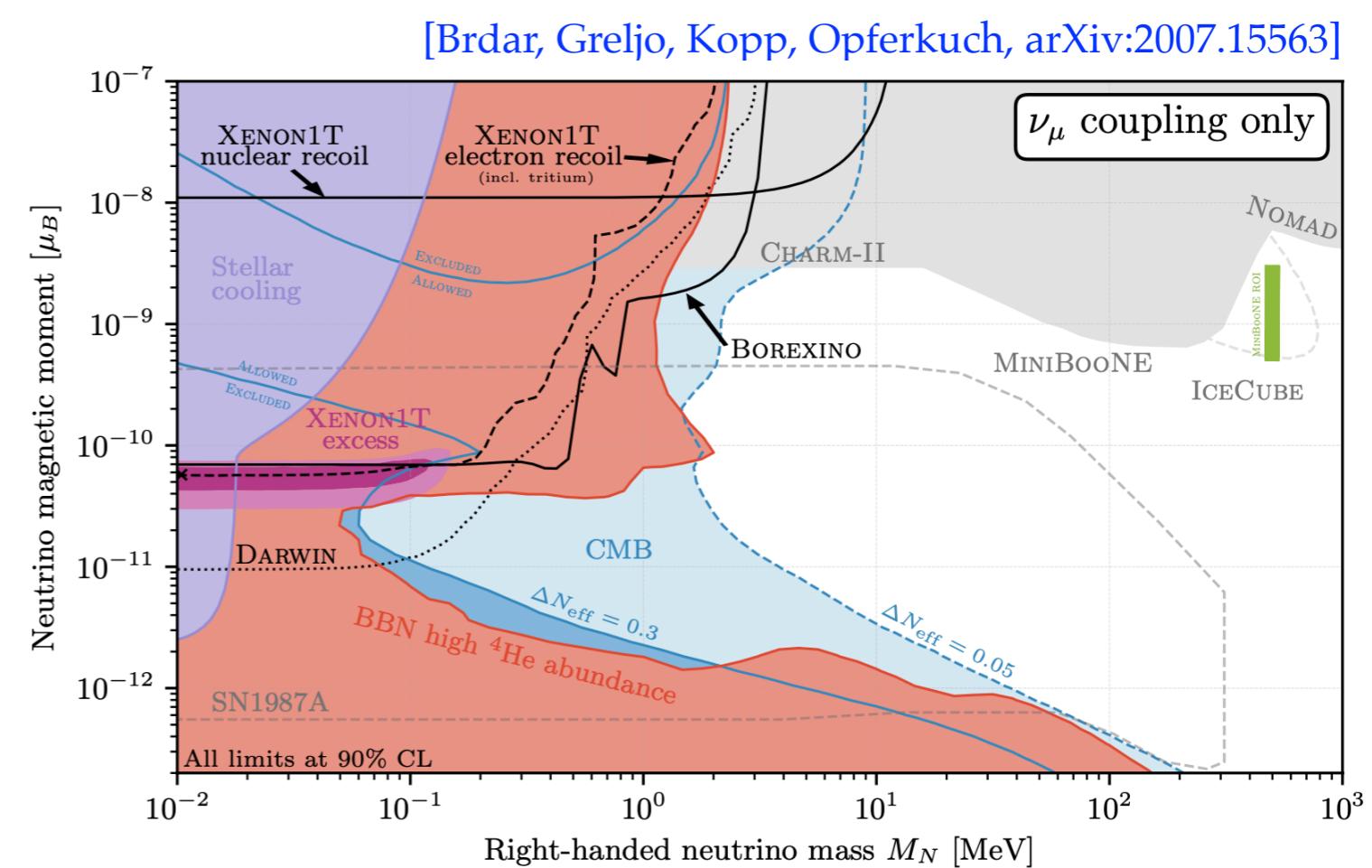
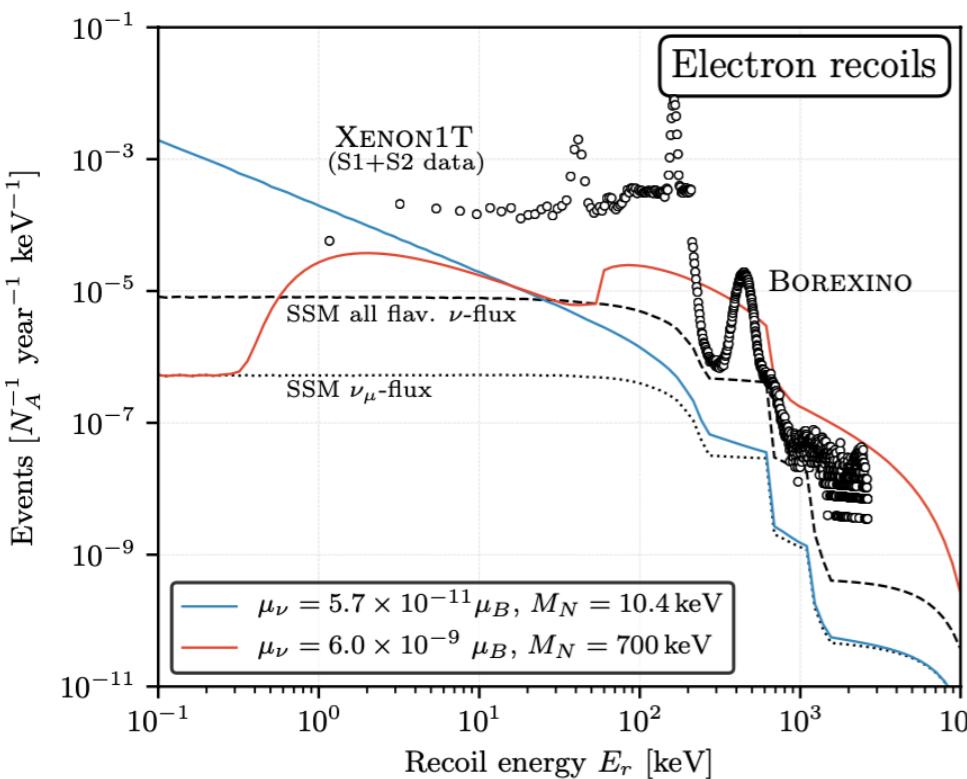
Solar neutrino spectrum:

Xenon1T, Borexino

*detection via:*

$$\nu_L + e^- \rightarrow N + e^-$$

$$\nu_L + X_Z^A \rightarrow N + X_Z^A$$

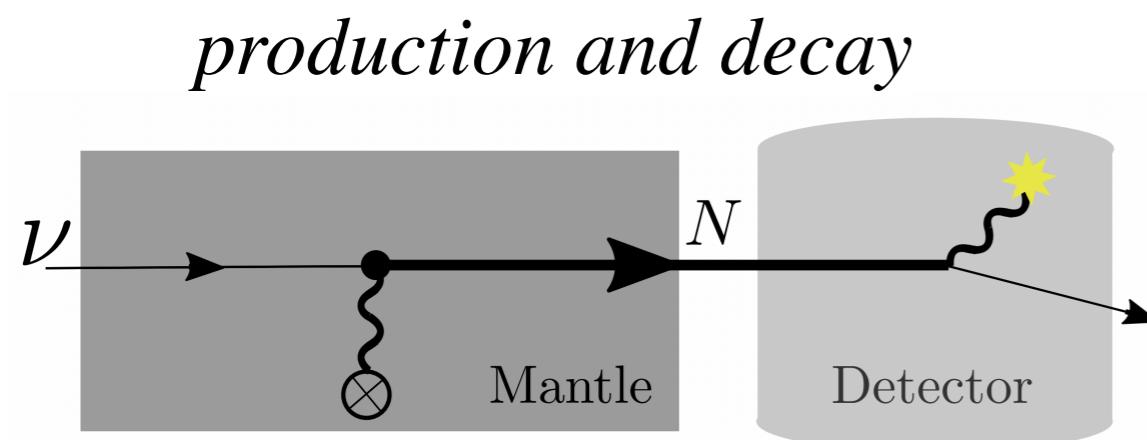




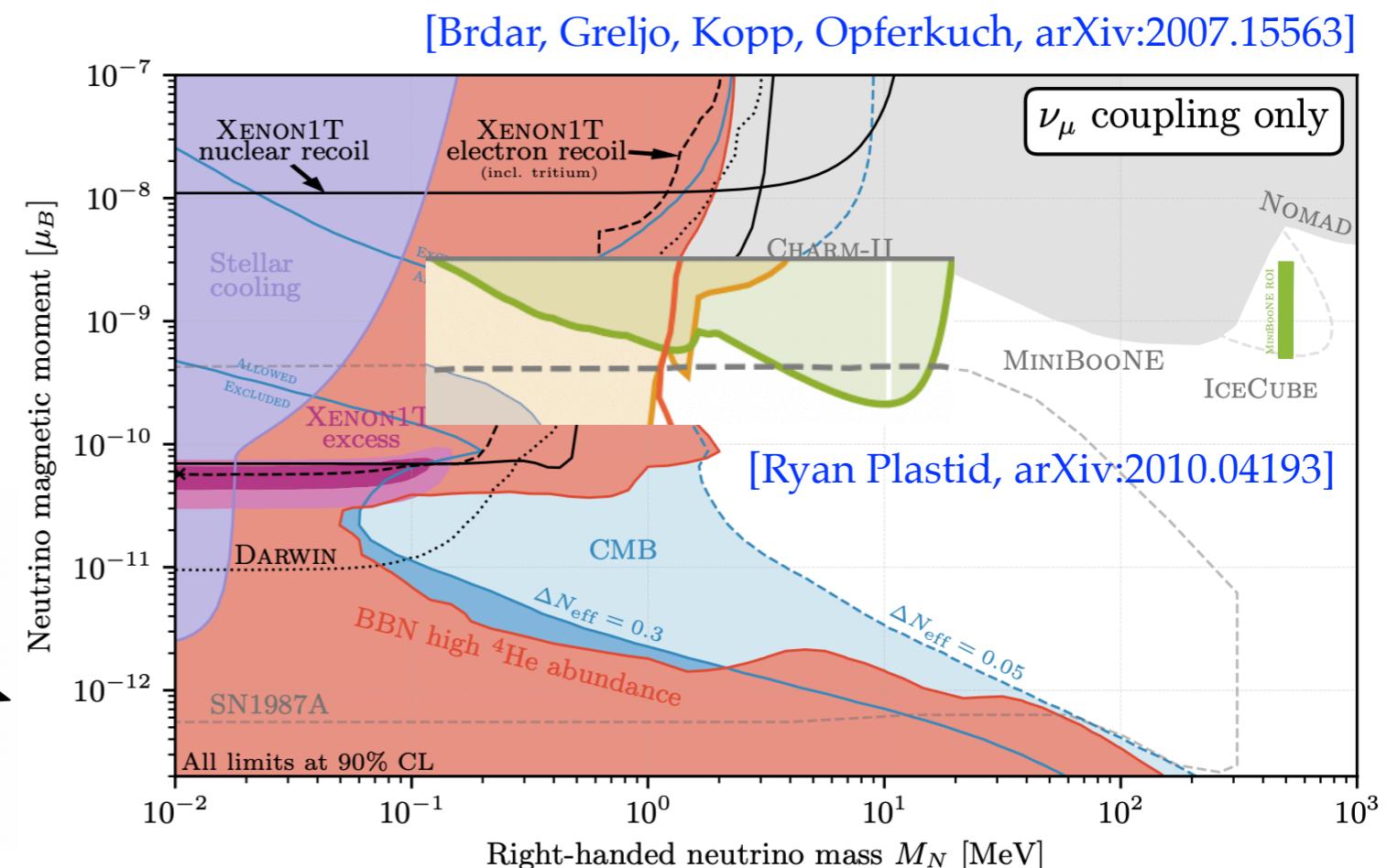
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Solar neutrino  
up-scattering and decays



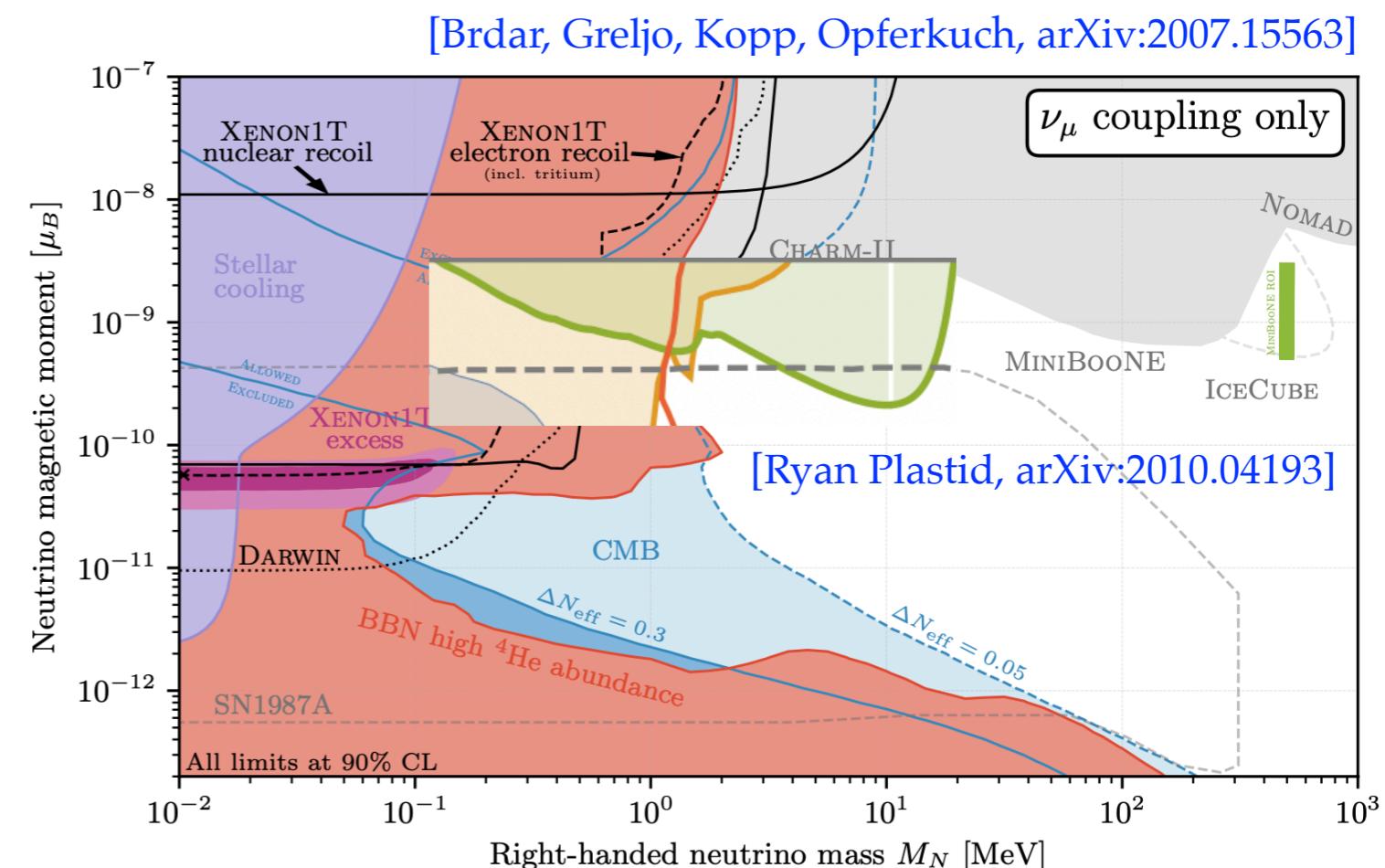
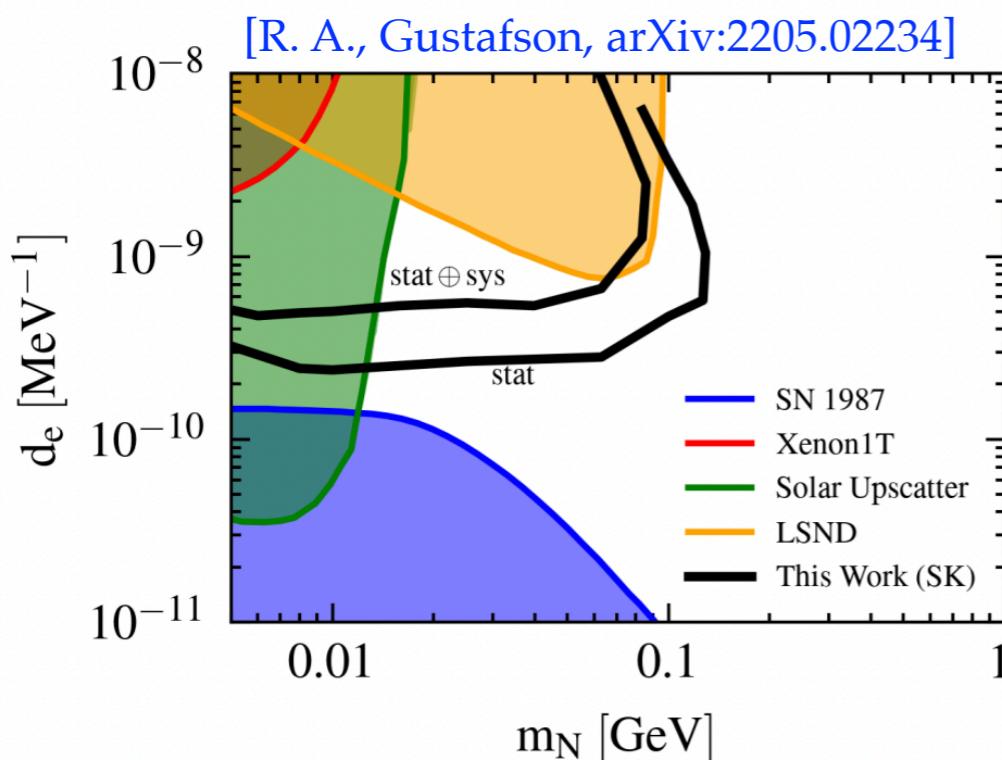
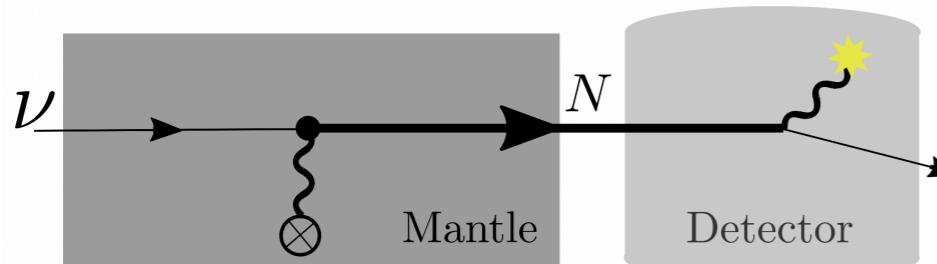
Borexino, SuperK





# Current Probes: terrestrial experiments

Atmospheric neutrino DUNE, Super-K



$$M_N \gtrsim 6 \text{ GeV} \text{ (LHC, LEP)}: e^+ e^- (q\bar{q}) \rightarrow (N \rightarrow \gamma\nu)\bar{\nu} + h.c.$$

# Current Probes: Supernova



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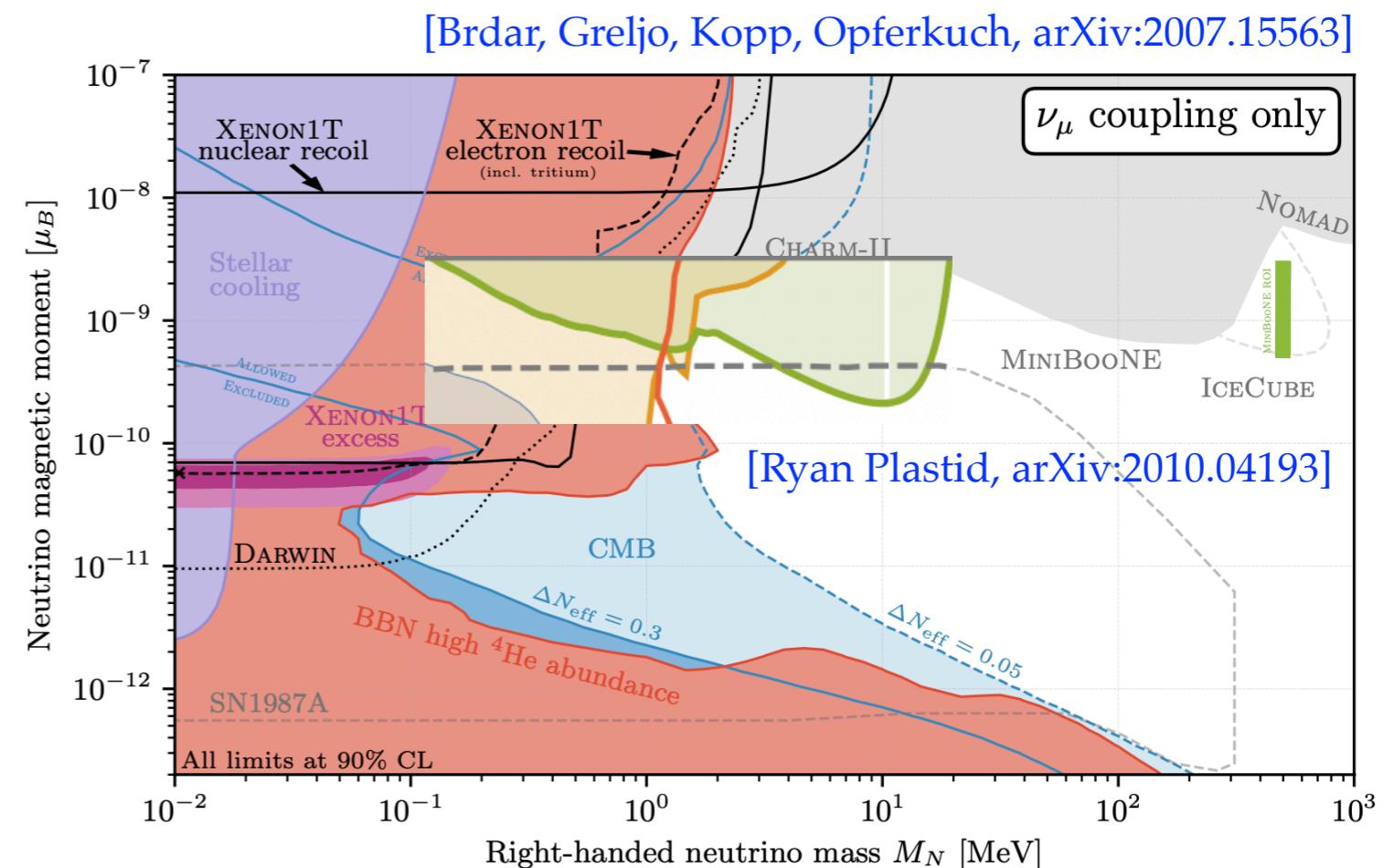
10% of energy loss  
to sterile neutrino

$$\nu + e^\pm \rightarrow N + e^\pm$$

$$\nu + p \rightarrow N + p$$

$$e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \bar{\nu} + N$$

$$\gamma + \nu \rightarrow N$$





# Multimessenger Signals

$$\nu + e^\pm \rightarrow N + e^\pm$$



$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{2} \mu_\nu \bar{\nu}_L^\alpha \sigma^{\mu\nu} N F_{\mu\nu}$$

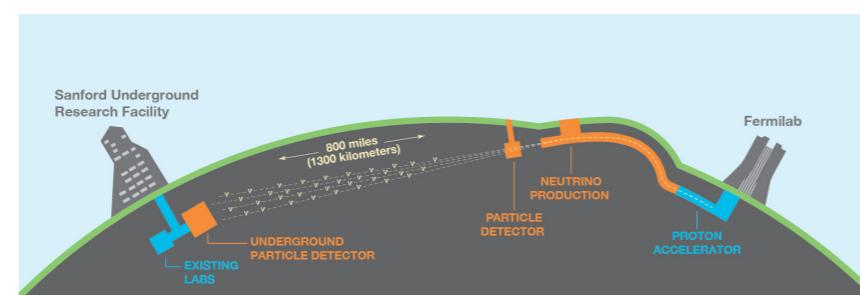


$$N \rightarrow \nu + \gamma$$

$$\nu + p \rightarrow N + p$$

$$e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \bar{\nu} + N$$

$$\gamma + \nu \rightarrow N$$

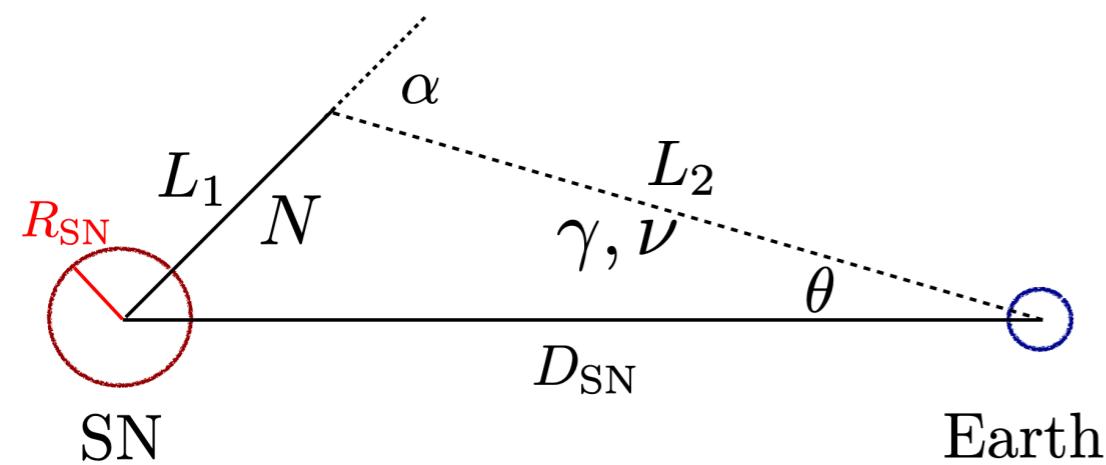


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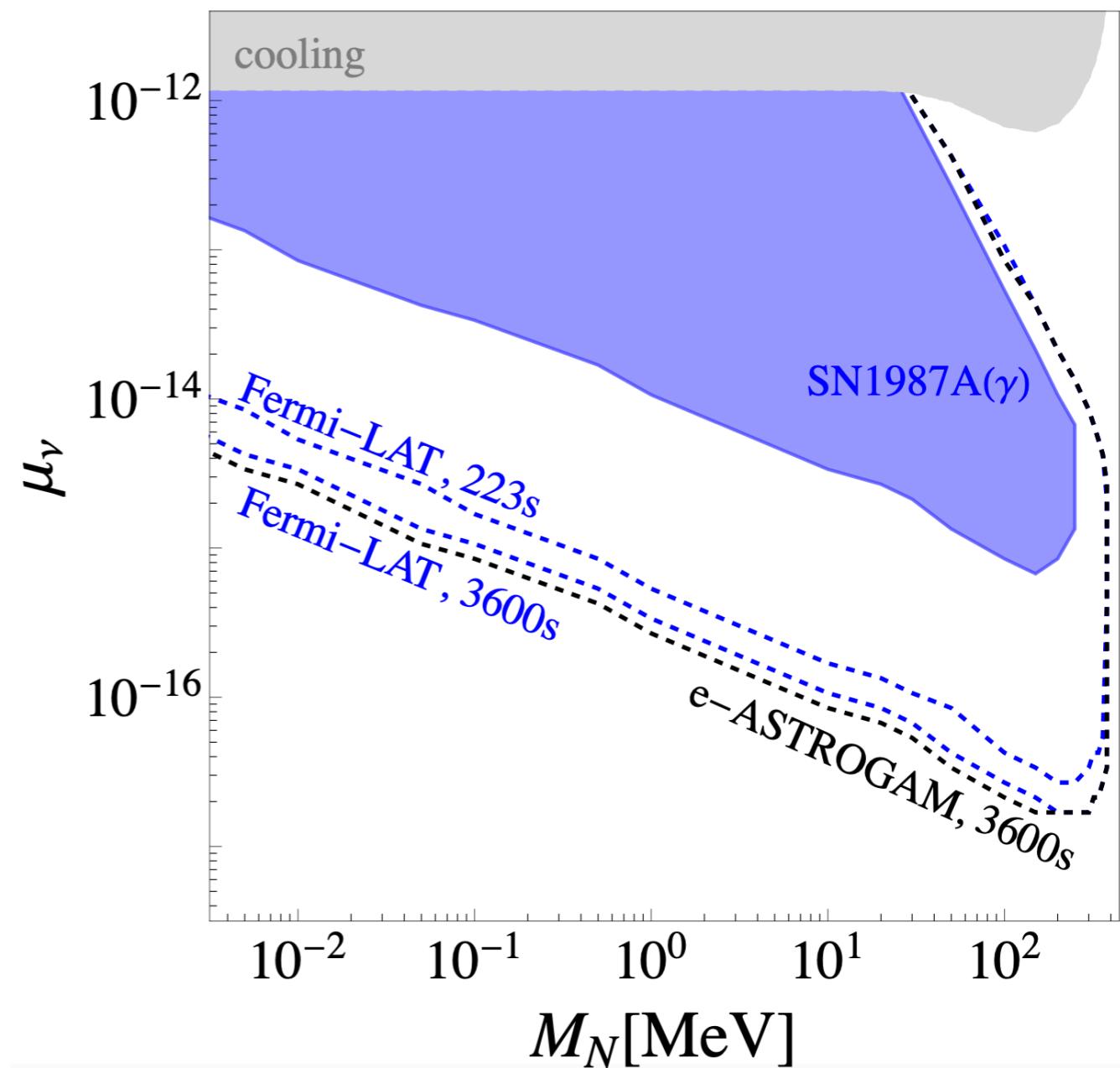
# Multimessenger Signals : $\gamma$ – ray detection



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- At the time of SN1987A, the **Gamma-Ray Spectrometer (GRS)** observed  $N_{\text{obs}} = 1393$  photons with energy  $25\text{-}100 \text{ MeV}$  at  $\Delta t < 223\text{s}$
- Assuming a SN event happens in the galaxy at a distance of  $D_{\text{SN}} = 10\text{kpc}$ ,  
**Fermi-LAT**:  $E_\gamma > 100\text{MeV}, \theta < 5^\circ$   
**e-ASTROGAM**:  $E_\gamma > 1\text{MeV}, \theta < 1.25^\circ$

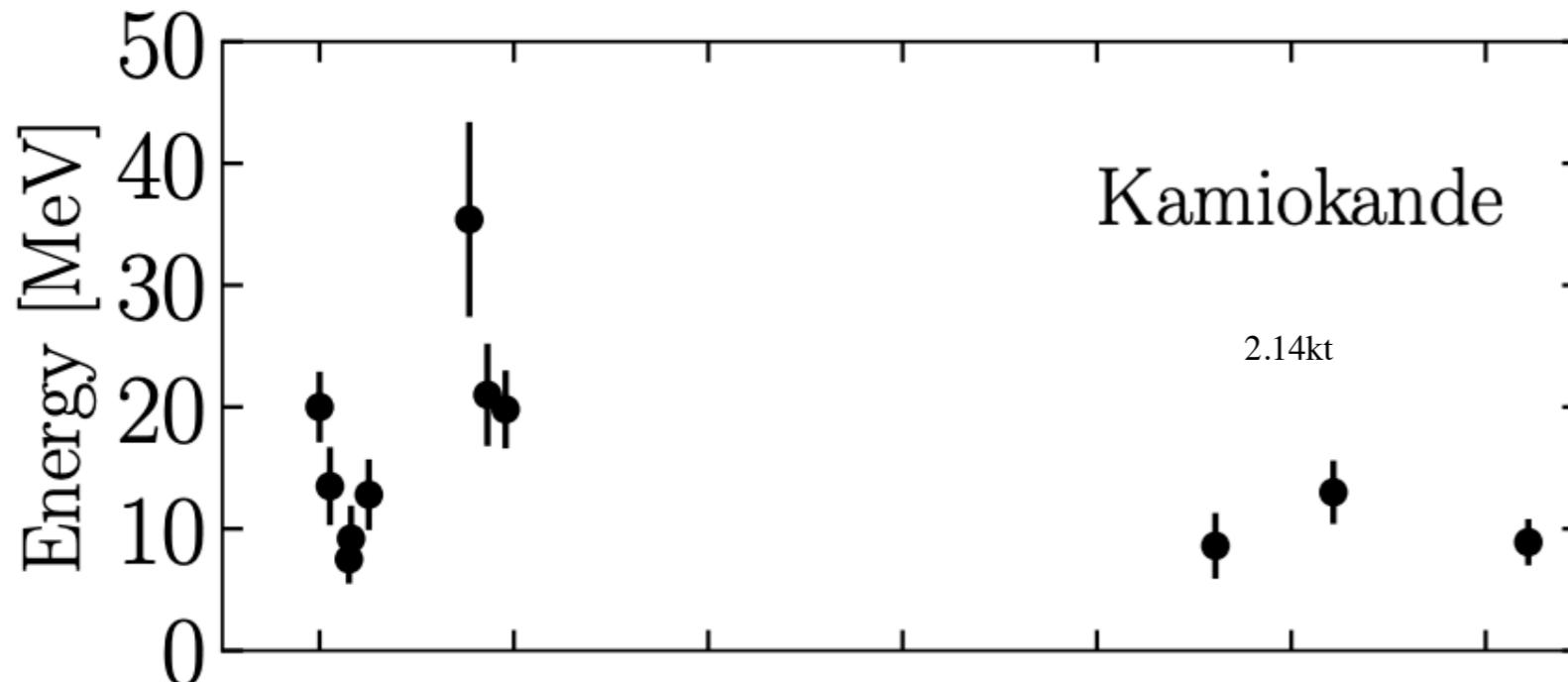


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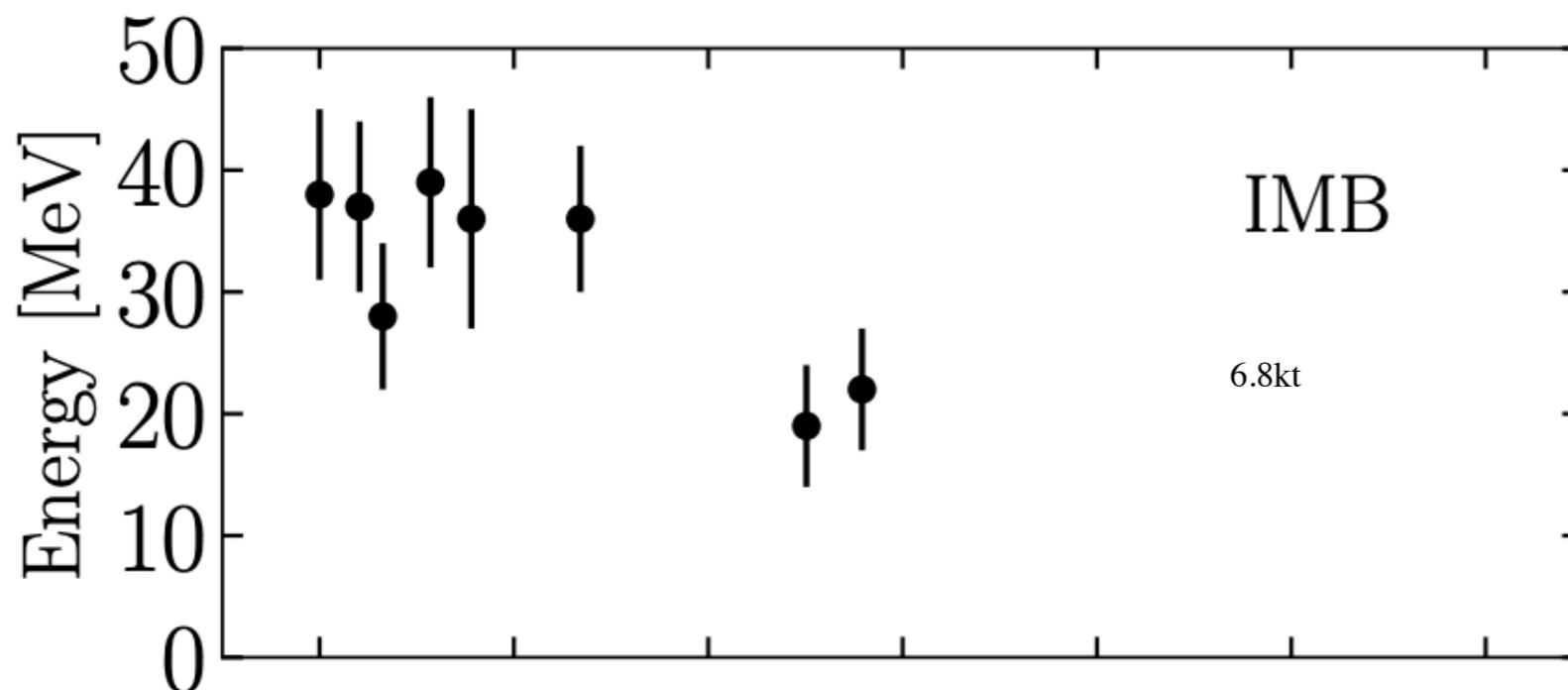
# Multimessenger Signals : neutrino detection



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SN1987A, neutrino events  
water-Cherenkov detectors



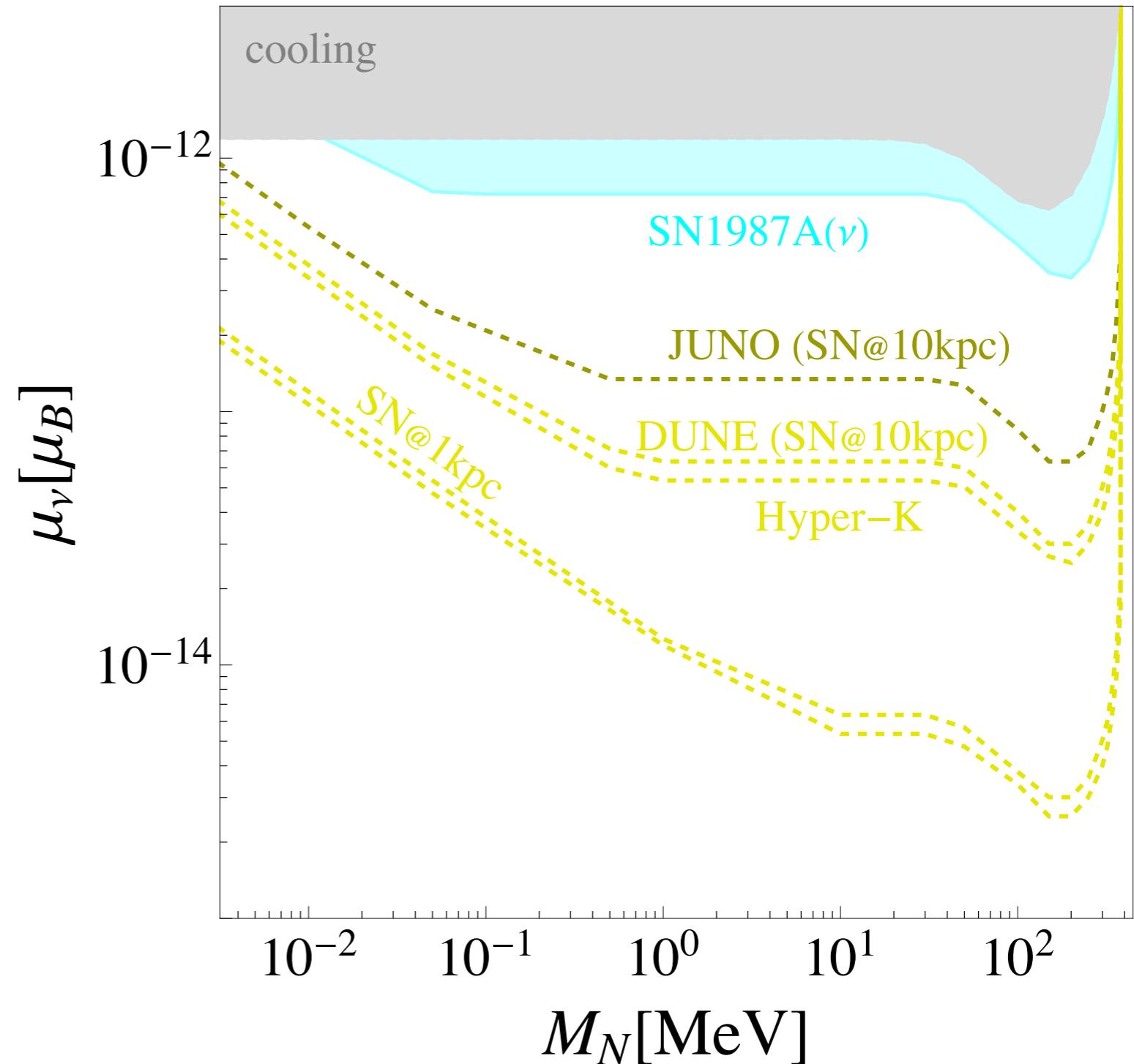
- No significant excess was observed by Kamiokande-II and IMB for  $E_\nu > 50\text{MeV}, \Delta t < 2 \text{ days}$

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- Assuming a SN event happens in the galaxy at a distance of  $D_{\text{SN}} = 10\text{kpc}$ ,  
**JUNO**: 20kt fiducial volume, liquid scintillator detector  
**DUNE**: 40kt, liquid argon  
**Hyper-K**: 188kt fiducial



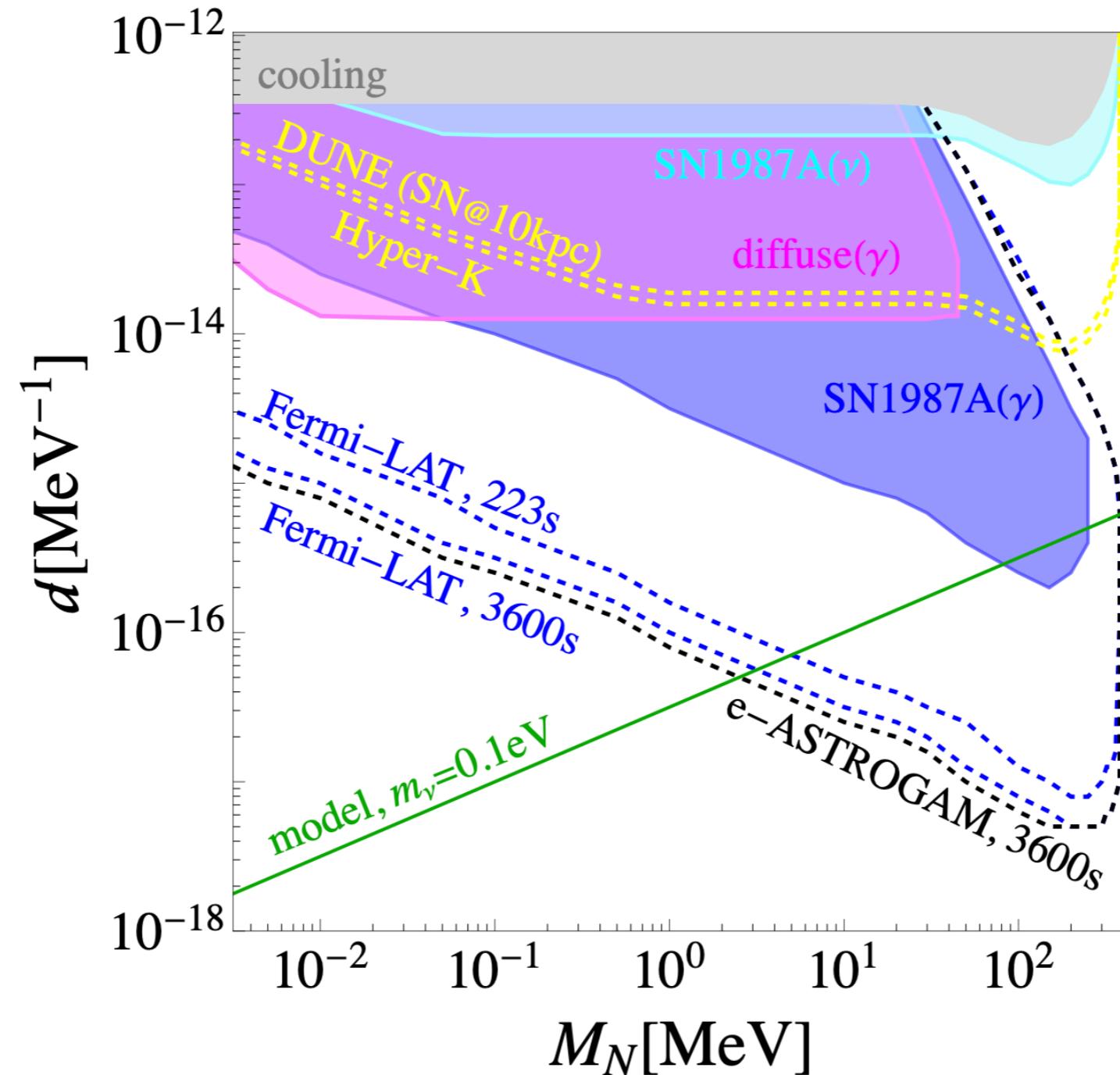
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# Multimessenger Signals

diffused BSM Photon and neutrino background

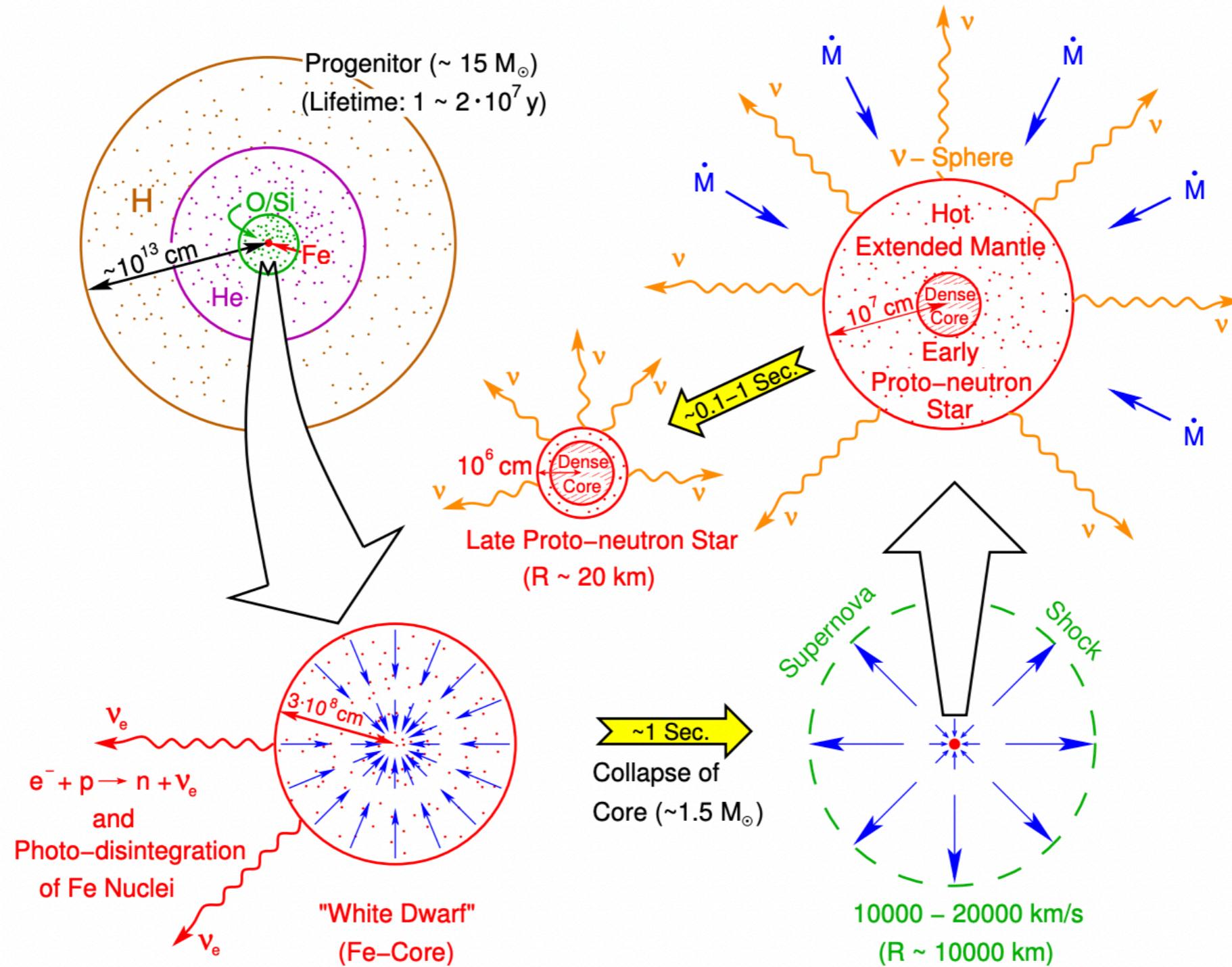
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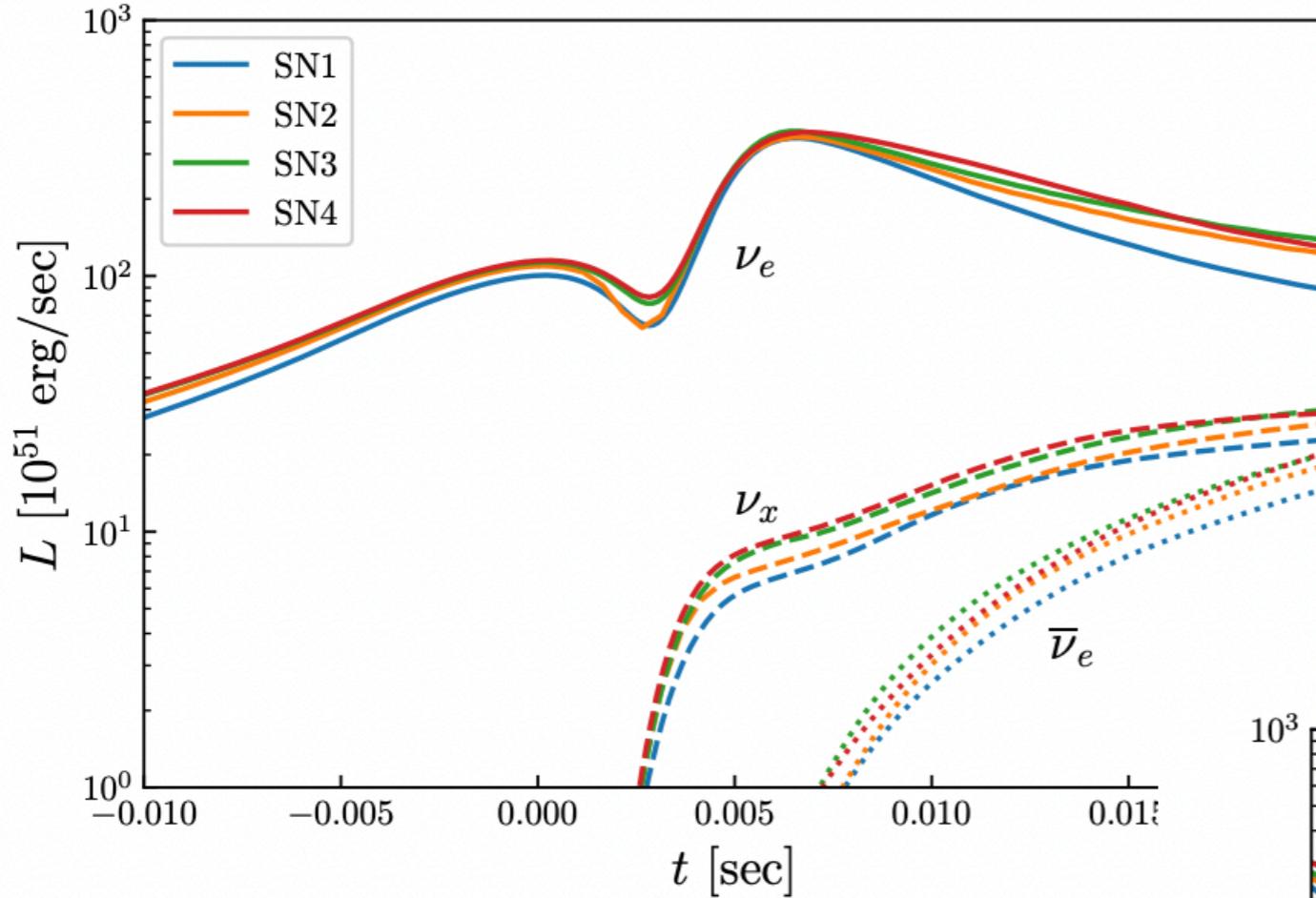
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# Evolution of a massive star from the onset of iron-core collapse to a neutron star

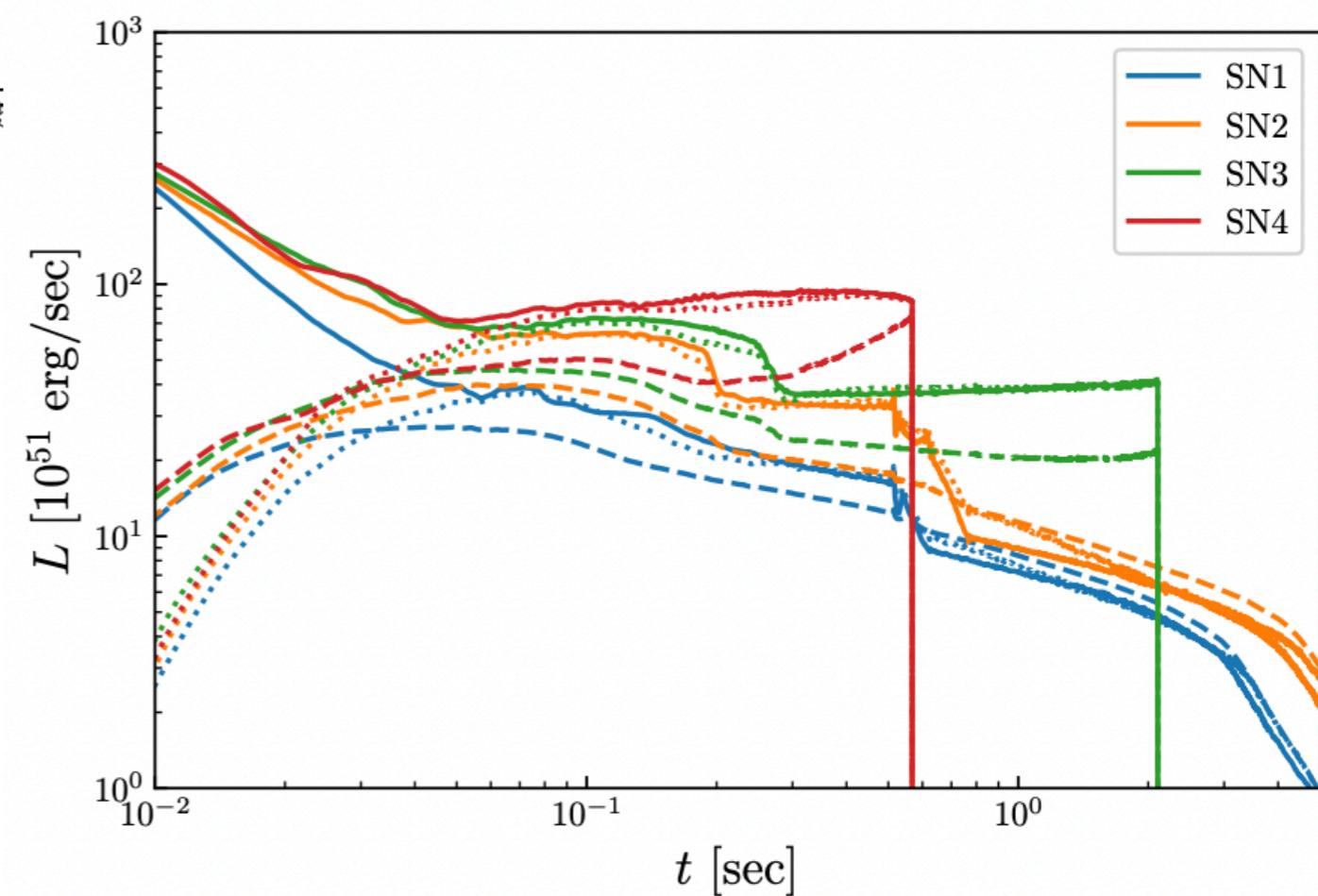


[Hans-Thomas Janka, arXiv:1702.08713]



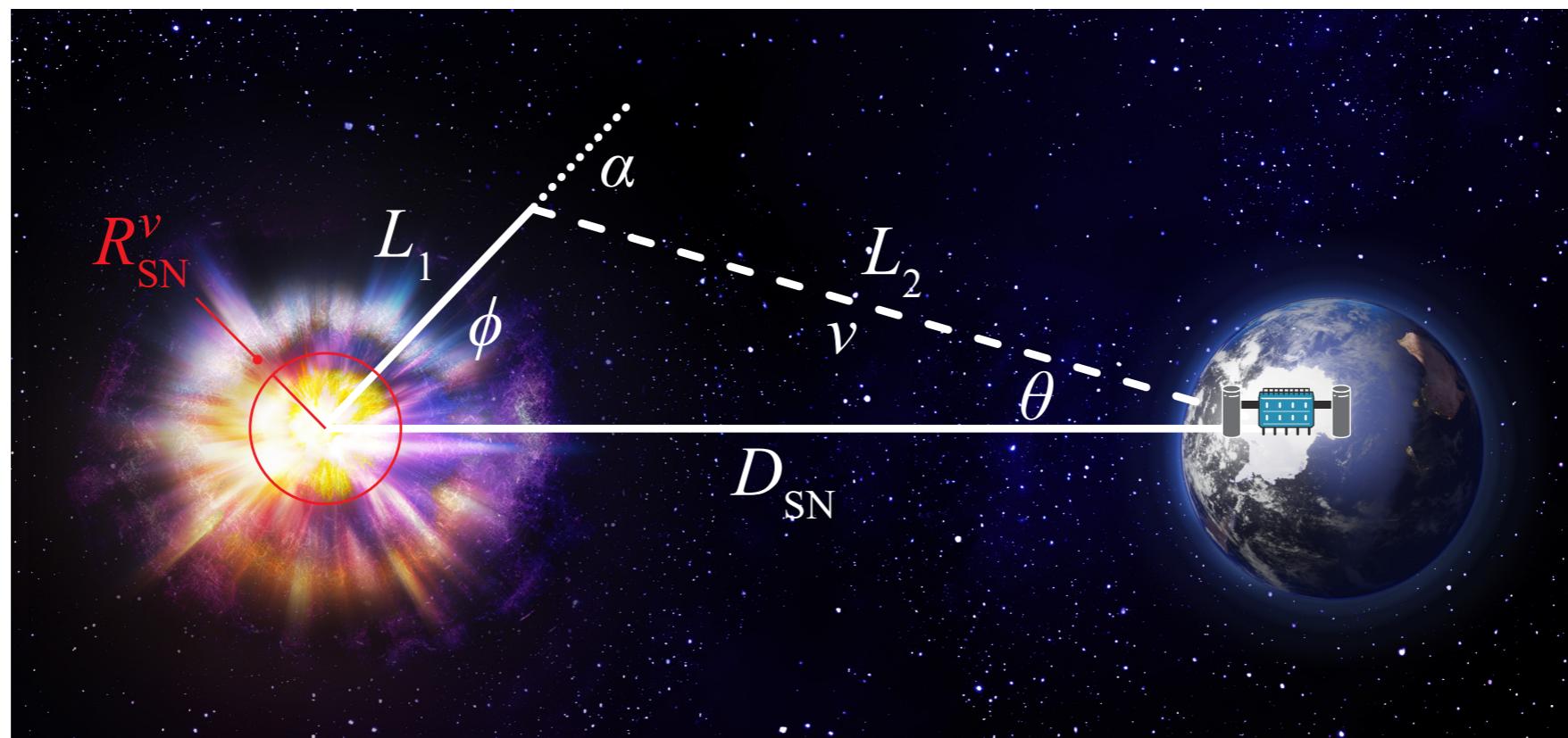
## Neutrinos from SN bursts

[V. Brdar, X.-J. Xu, arXiv:2204.13135]



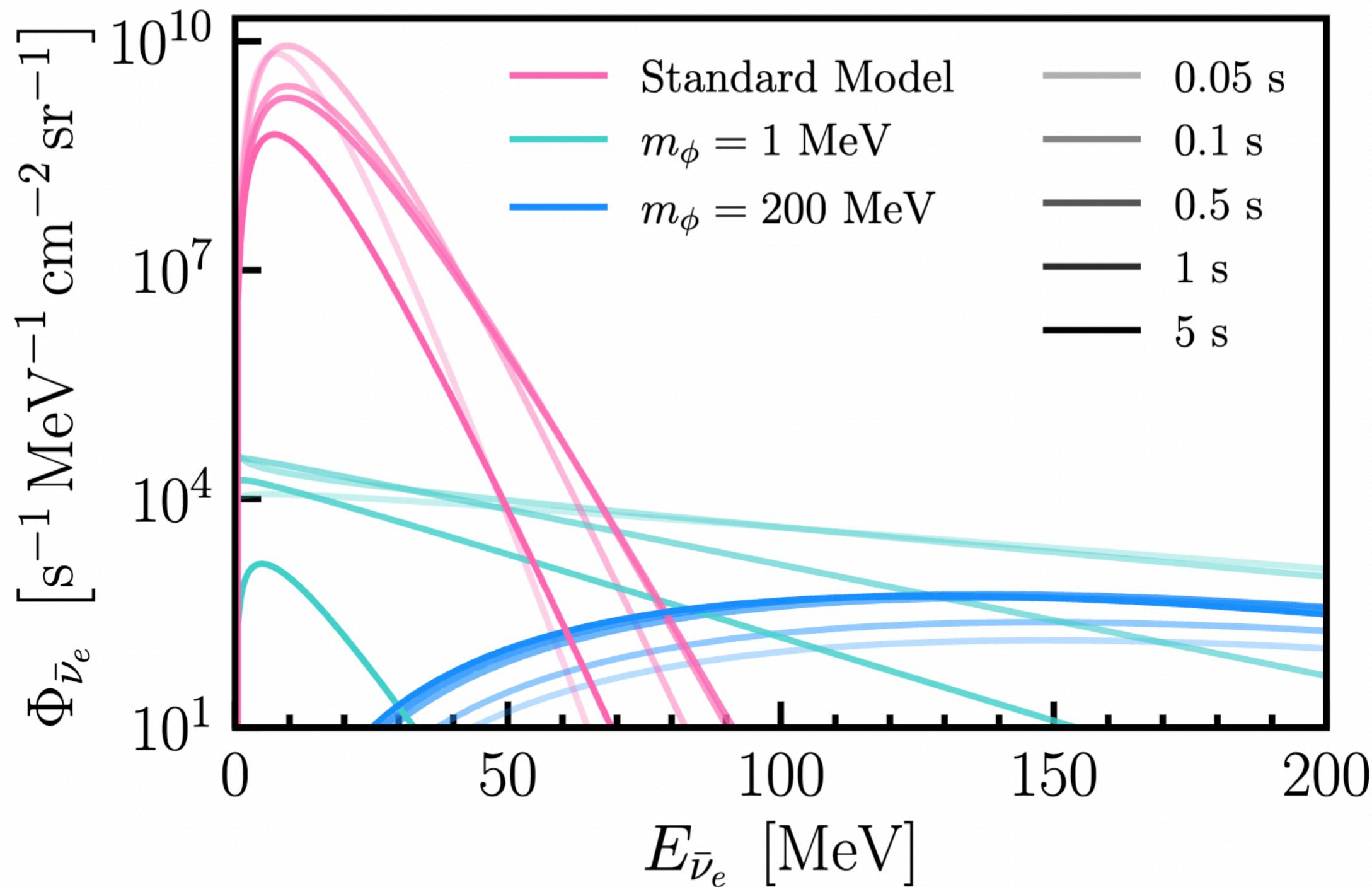


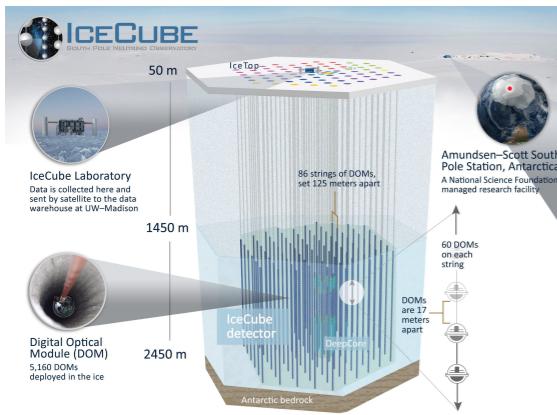
$$\mathcal{L} \supset -g_{\alpha\beta}\nu_\alpha\nu_\beta\phi + \text{h.c.} - m_\phi\phi\phi^*$$



$$\delta t = \left( \frac{L_1}{\beta} - L_1 \right) + (L_1 + L_2 - D_{\text{SN}})$$

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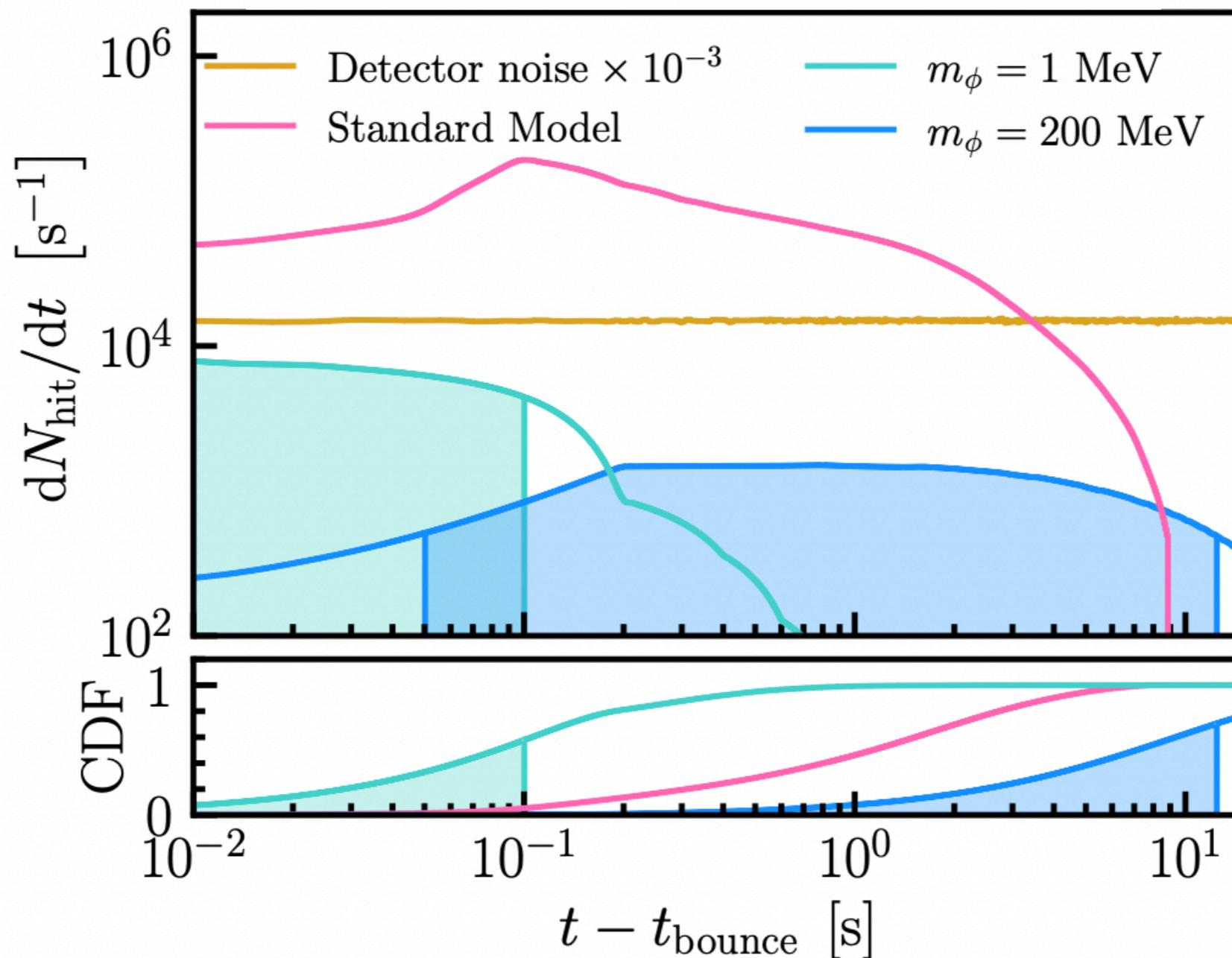




## High energy (TeV): muon neutrino

Low energy (MeV):  $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$

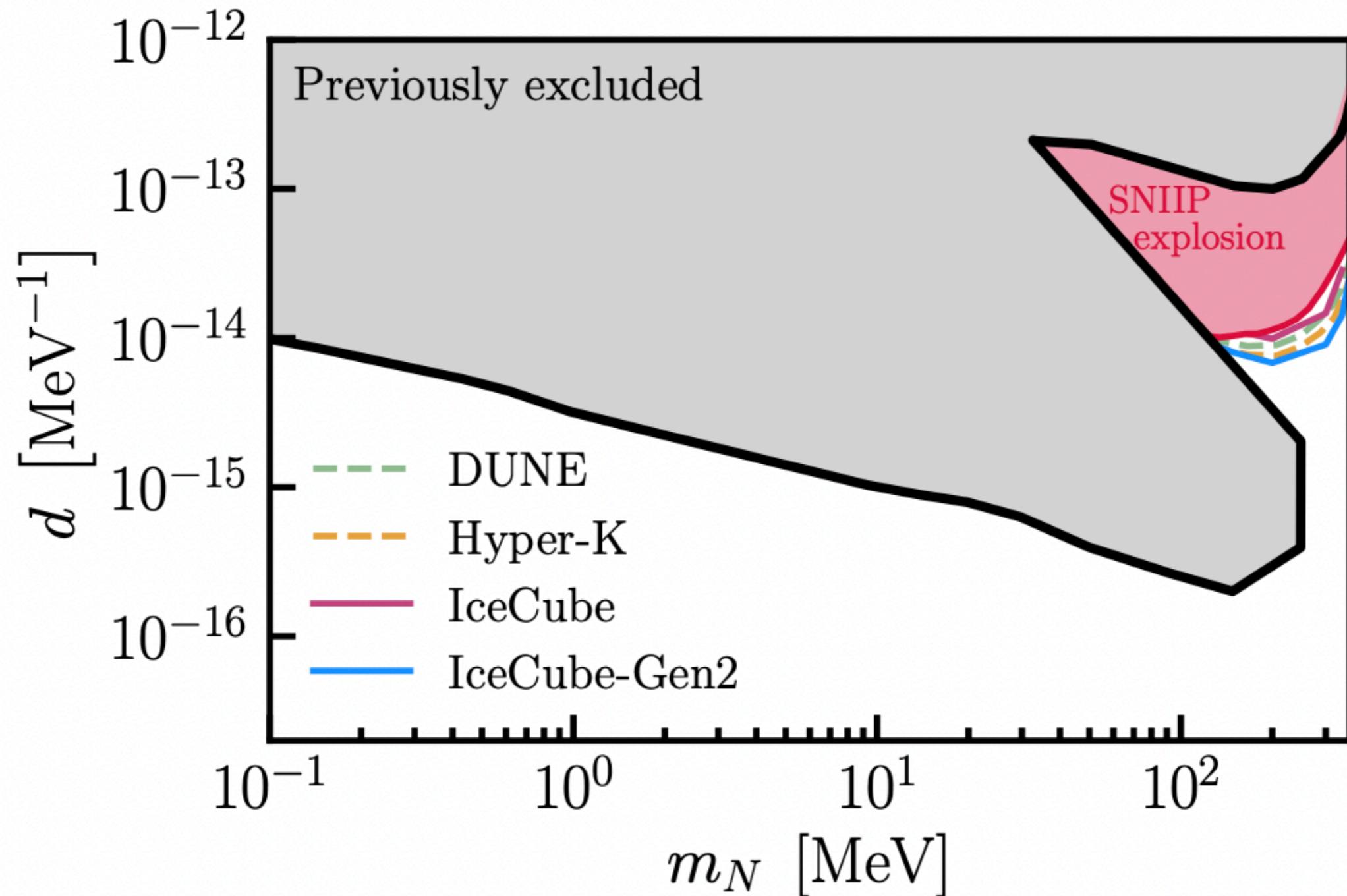
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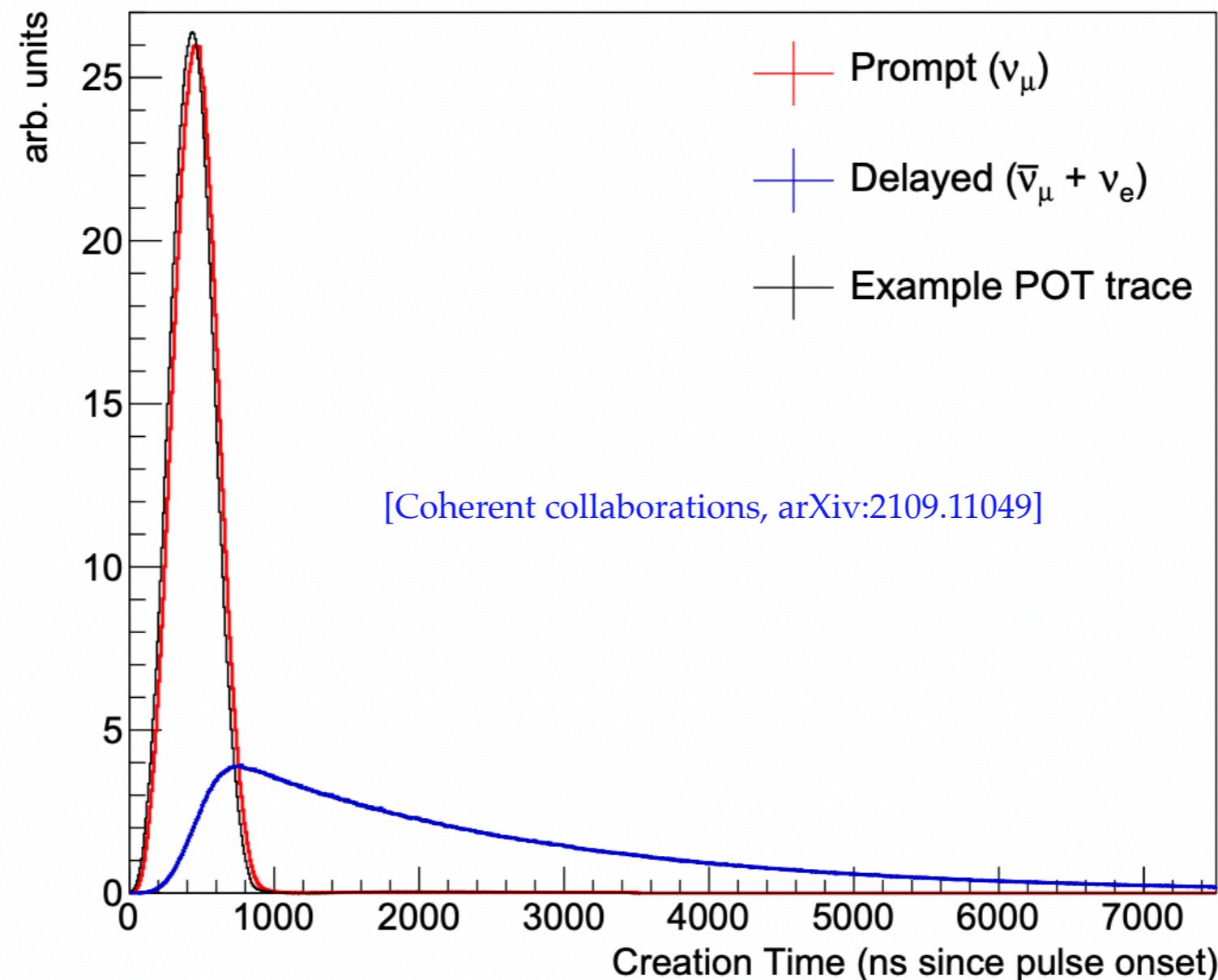


# Spallation Neutron Source (SNS)

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$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$$

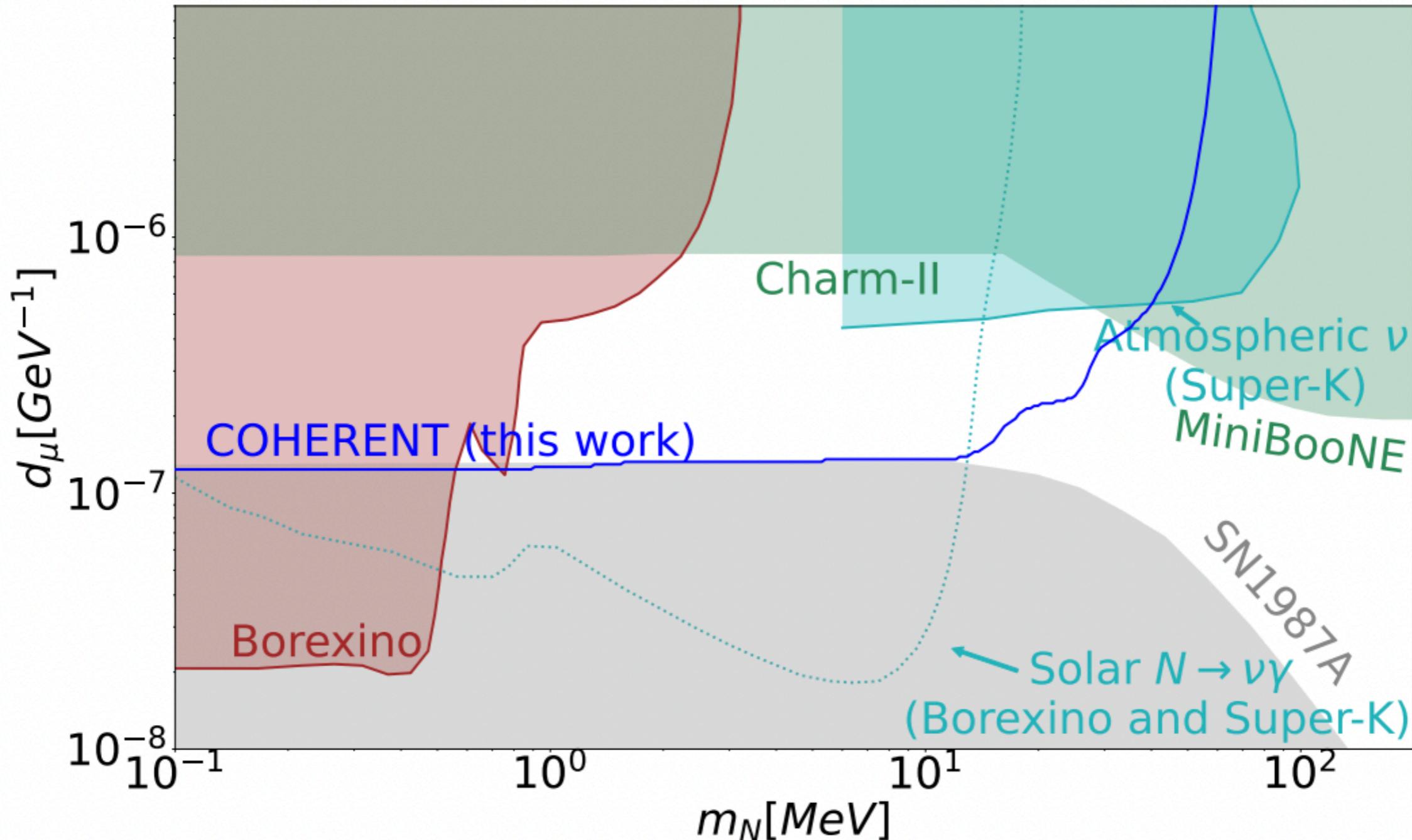
$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \bar{\nu}_\mu + \nu_e$$





# Spallation Neutron Source (SNS)

Flavor specific  $\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{2} \mu_\nu \bar{\nu}_L^\alpha \sigma^{\mu\nu} N F_{\mu\nu}$



Thank you