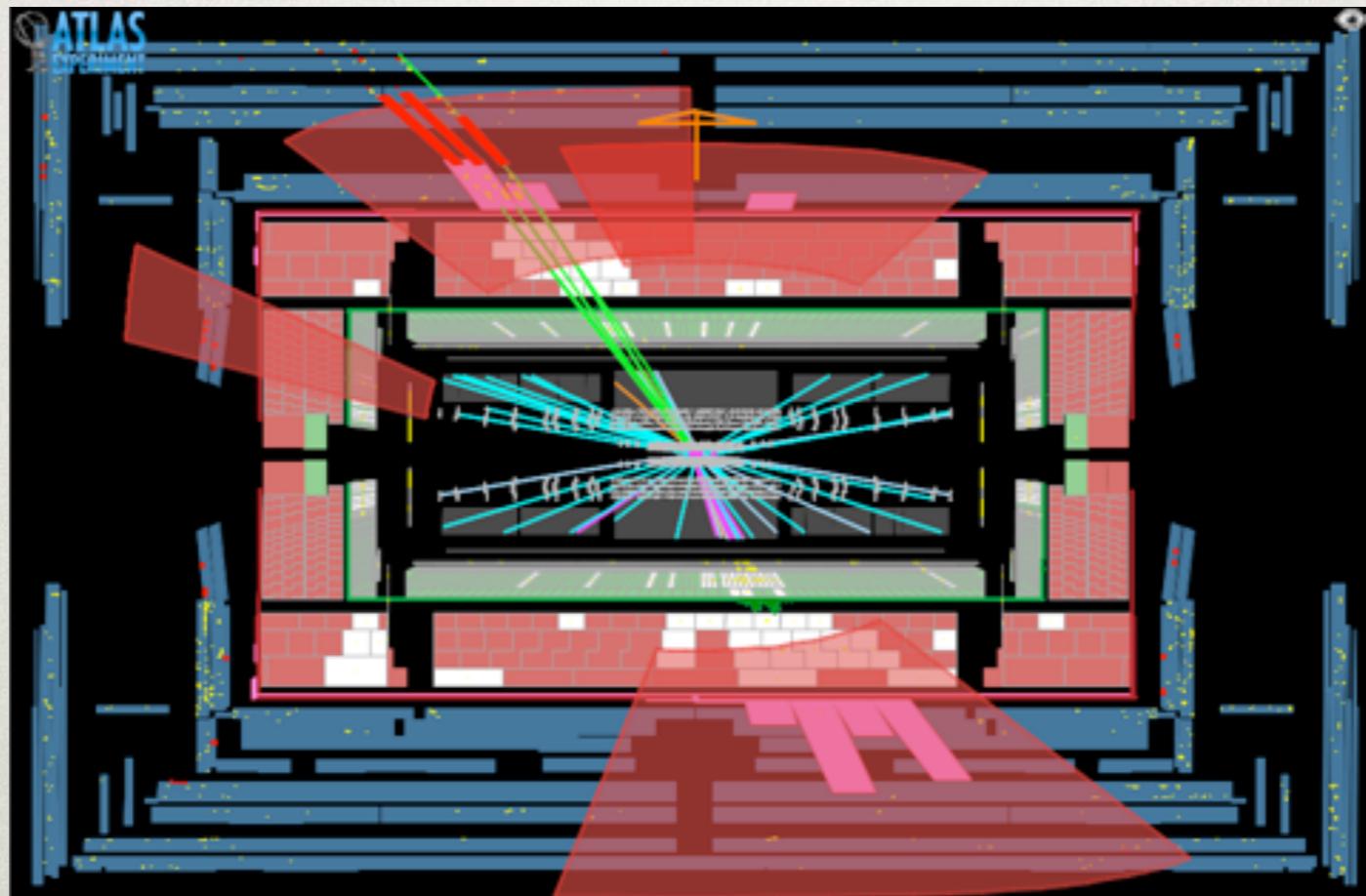
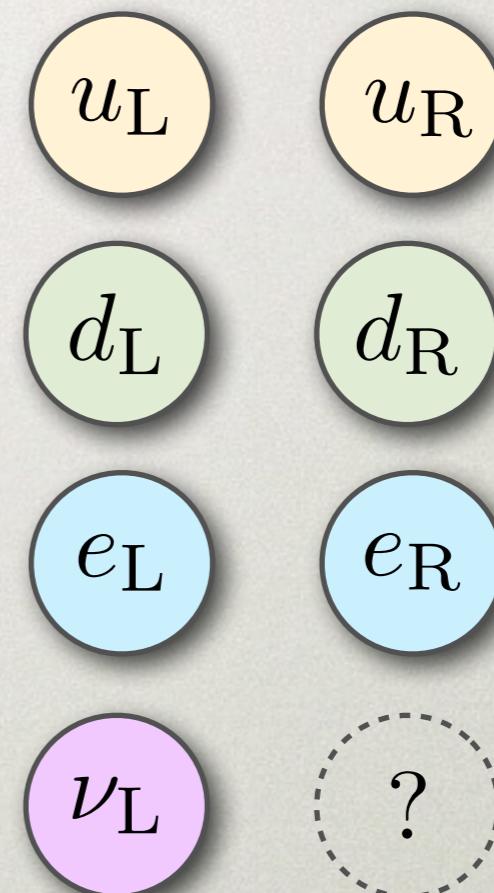
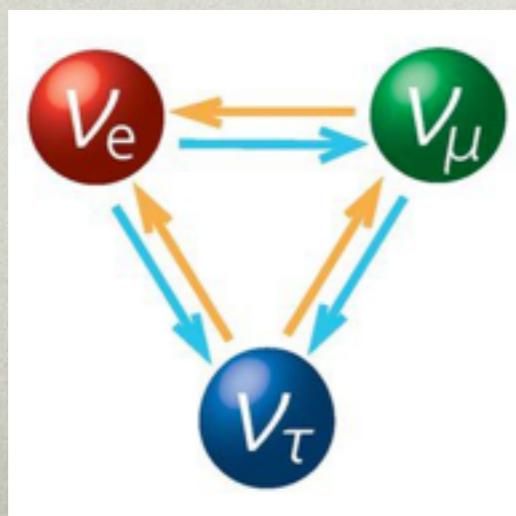
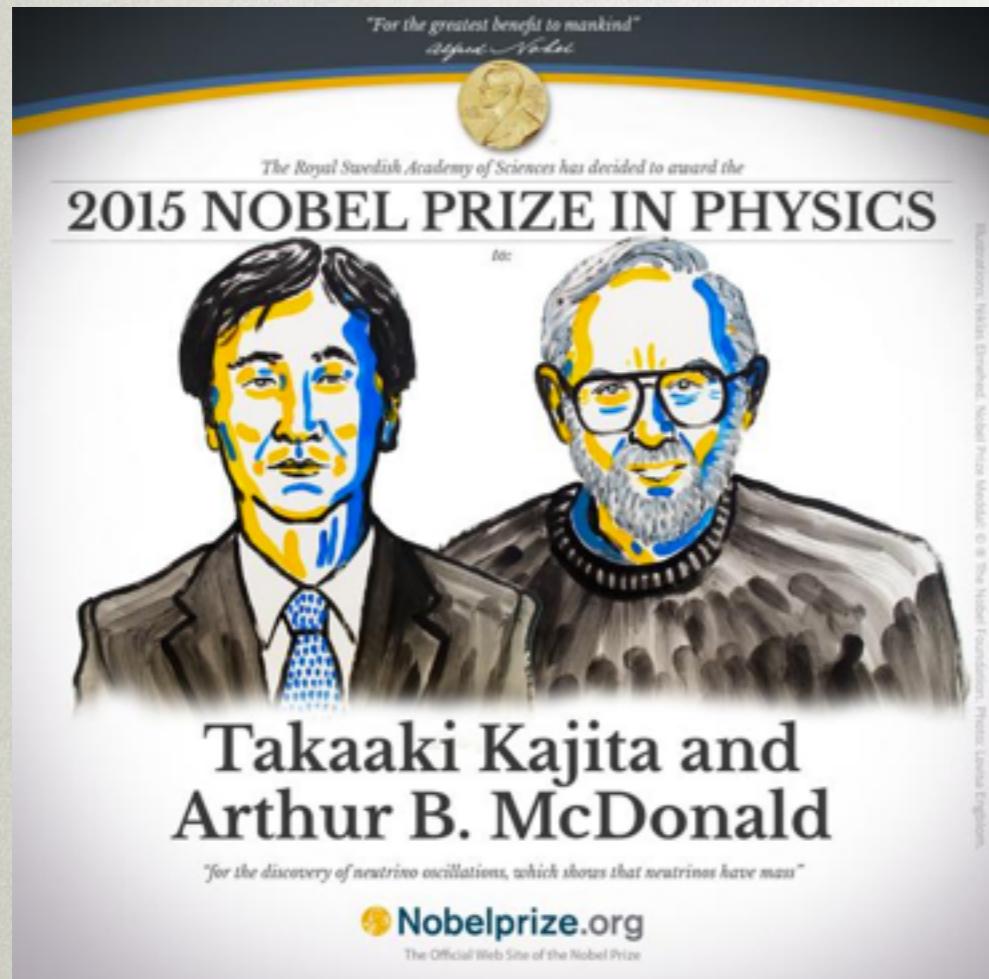


# DISCOVERING HIDDEN SECTORS AT COLLIDERS



Brian Shuve — SLAC & Harvey Mudd College  
SoCal BSM @ UCR, April 2, 2017

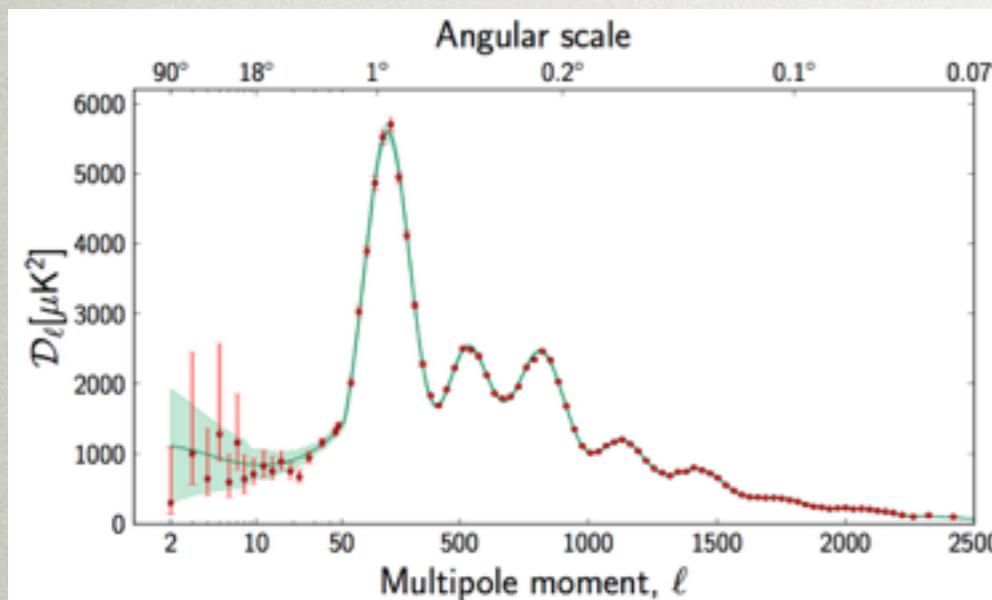
# Evidence for “Hidden Sector”



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*Dark Matter*

*Matter-Antimatter  
Asymmetry*



baryons

antibaryons

# What Could We Be Missing?

- If some new, heavy particle responsible for these phenomena, a high-energy collider like the LHC is the best place to look



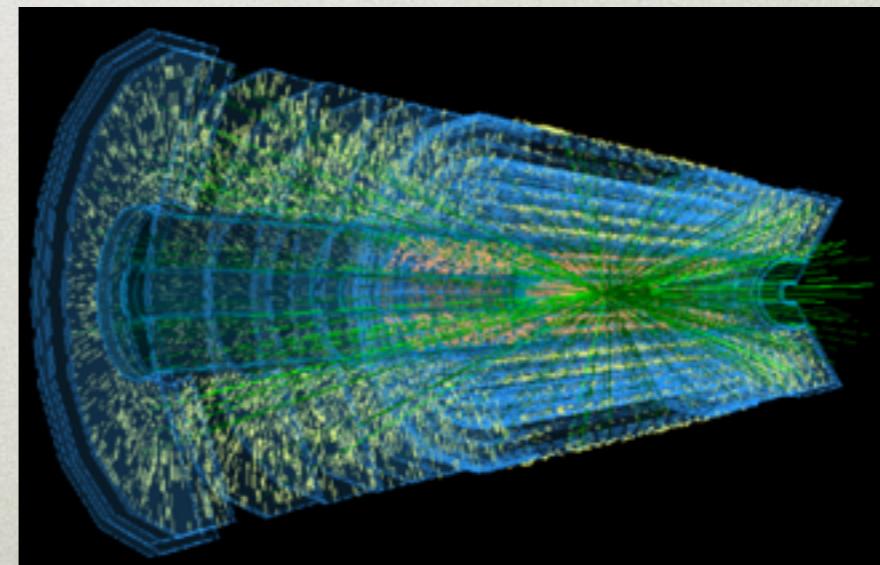
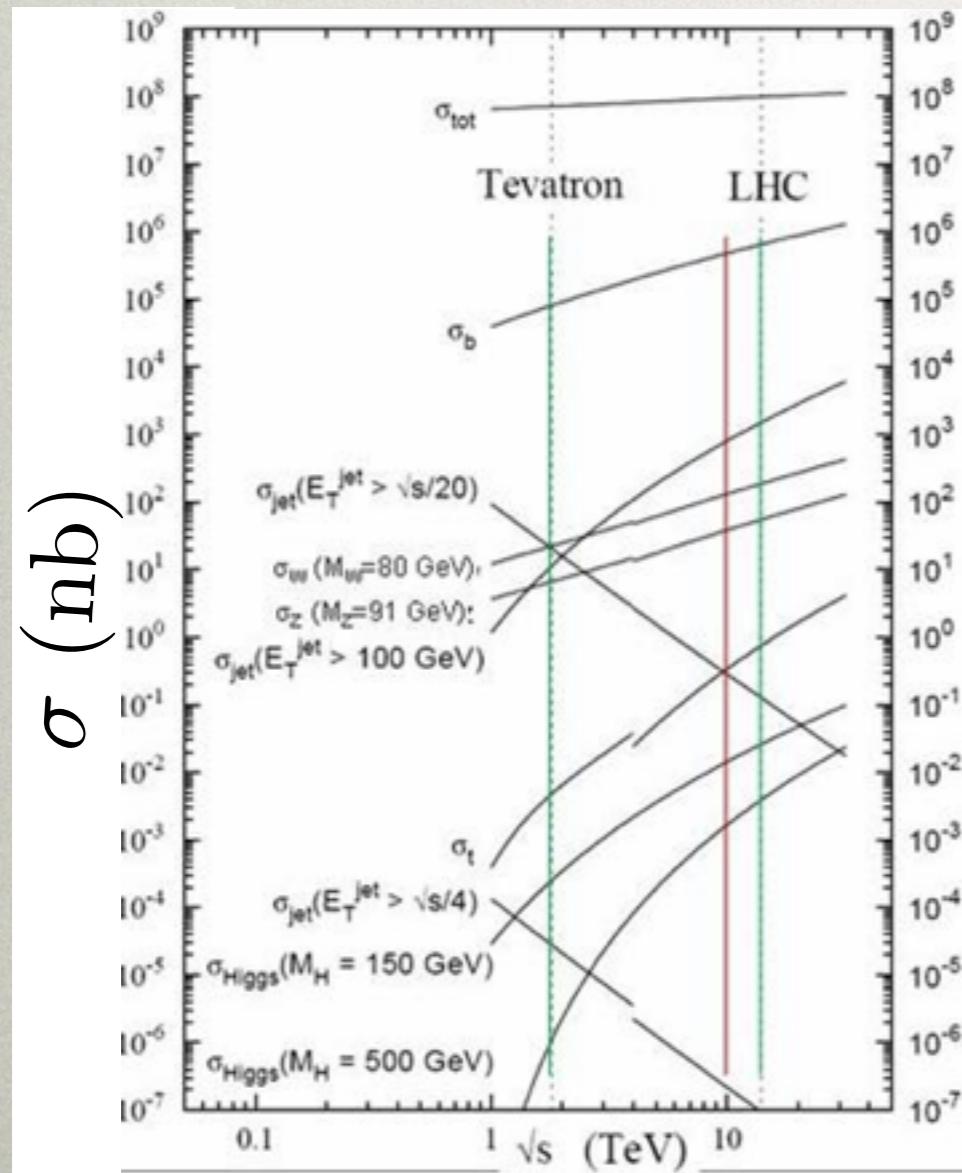
- After extensive searches, we have yet to see non-SM particles!

# What Could We Be Missing?

- What about lower mass particles?

With 3000/fb @ 14 TeV:

- 700 billion  $W$
- 100 billion  $Z$
- 200 million  $H$
- 2000 trillion  $B$



# Signatures of Low-Mass Particles

- Need high-energy particles in event to pass trigger

- Suggests that new particles **boosted** and often come with friends

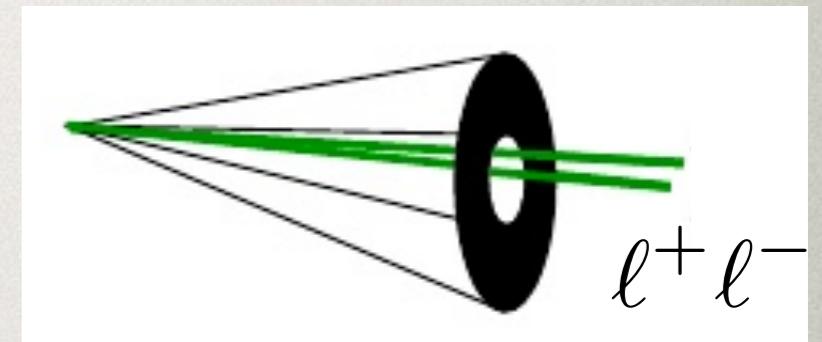
- Can often get **long lifetimes** & high boost

$$c\tau(\pi^\pm) \sim 10 \text{ m}$$

$$c\tau(D^\pm) \sim 0.1 \text{ mm}$$

$$c\tau(K_S^0) \sim 1 \text{ cm}$$

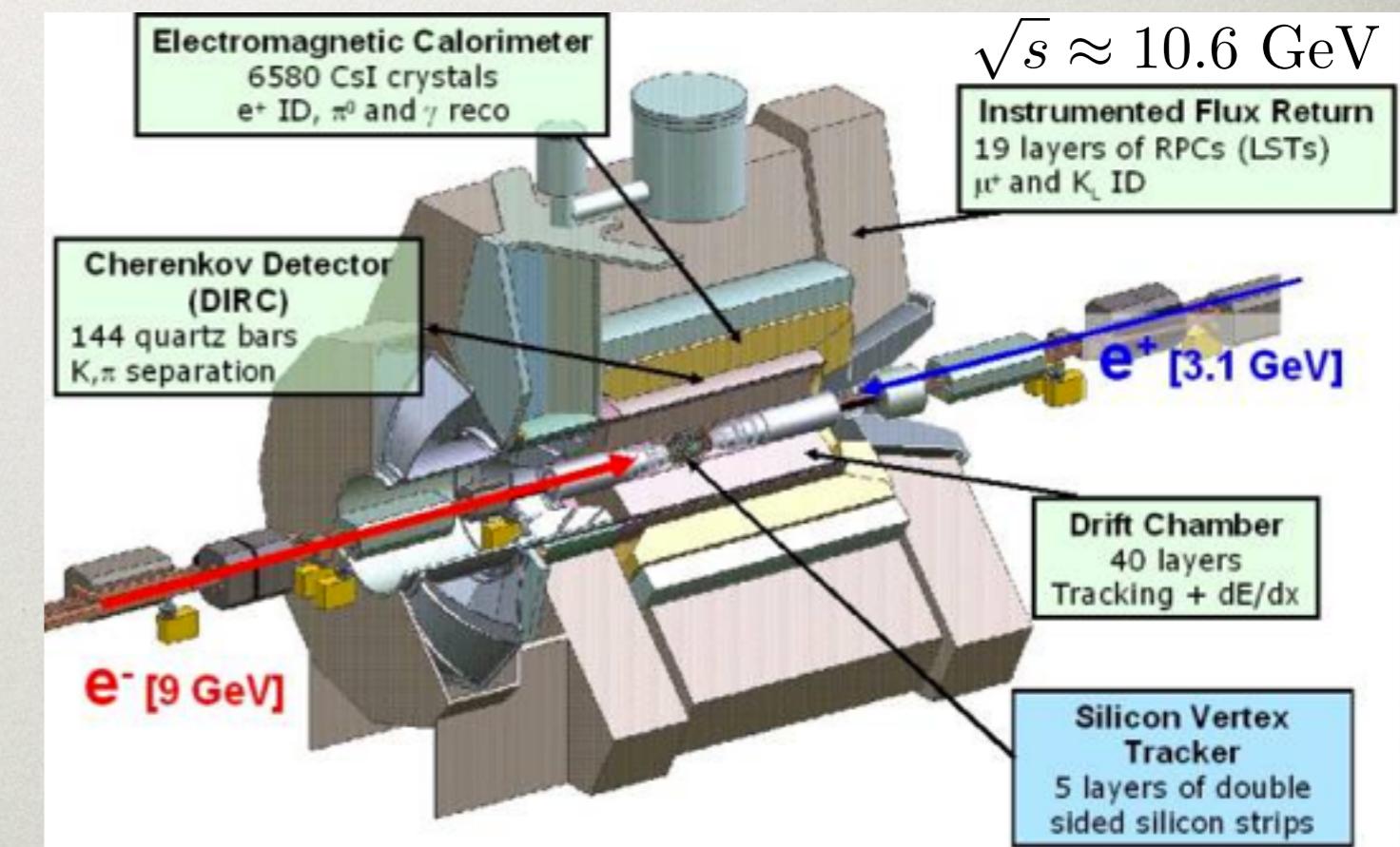
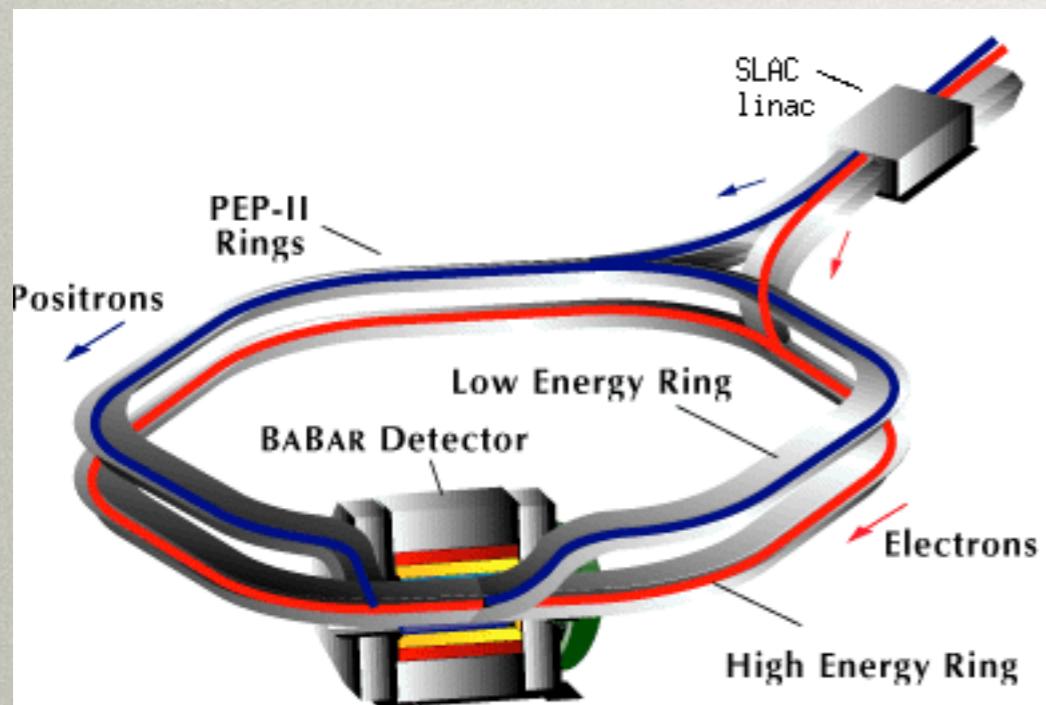
$$c\tau(B^\pm) \sim 0.1 \text{ mm}$$



*e.g., hidden valleys (Strassler, Zurek 2006)*

# Low-Mass Search Complementarity

- Low-mass particles could also be directly produced at lower-energy accelerators



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# Neutrino Masses and New Light States

- SM neutrino masses can come from “sterile” neutrinos,  $N$

Minkowski, 1977; Yanagida, 1979; Mohapatra and Senjanovic, 1980; ...

$$\mathcal{L} = y \bar{L} H N + \frac{M_N}{2} \bar{N}^c N$$

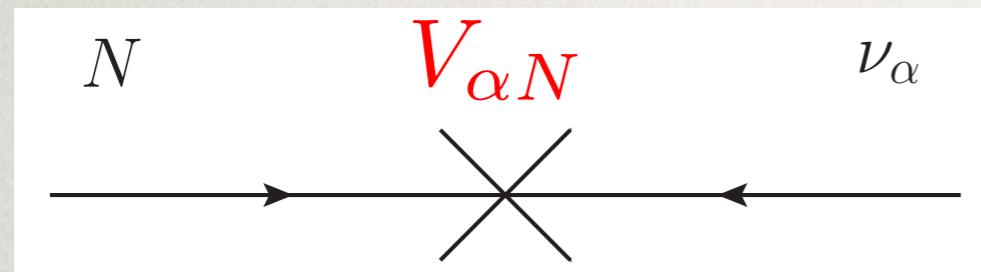
$$m_{\nu \text{ SM}} = \frac{\langle H \rangle^2 y^2}{M_N}$$



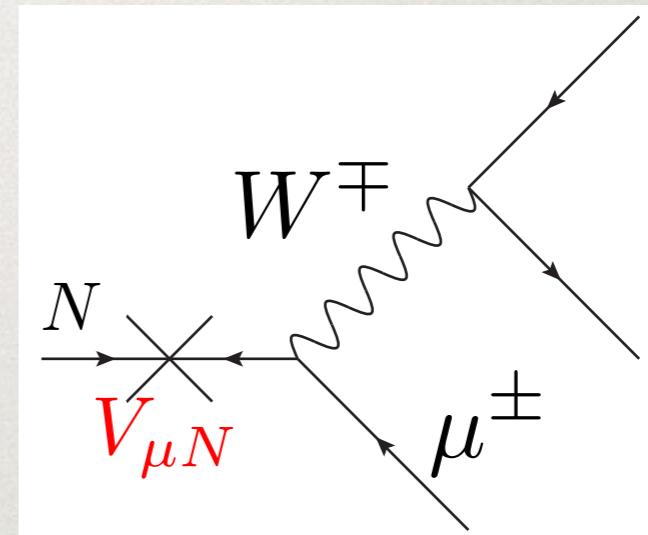
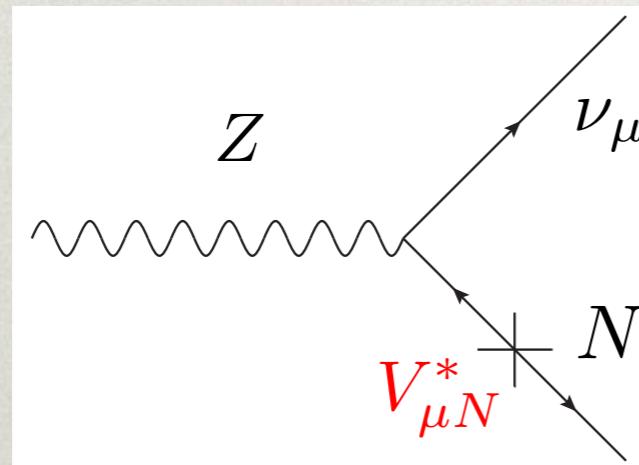
- For fixed  $\langle H \rangle$  and  $m_\nu \sim 0.1$  eV, we have GeV-scale  $N$  for  $y \sim 10^{-7}$ 
  - With additional symmetries, coupling can be **much** larger
  - Viable matter-antimatter asymmetry in this mass range

Mohapatra and Valle, 1986; Casas and Ibarra, 2001;  
Shaposhnikov, 2006; ...

# Testing the See-Saw



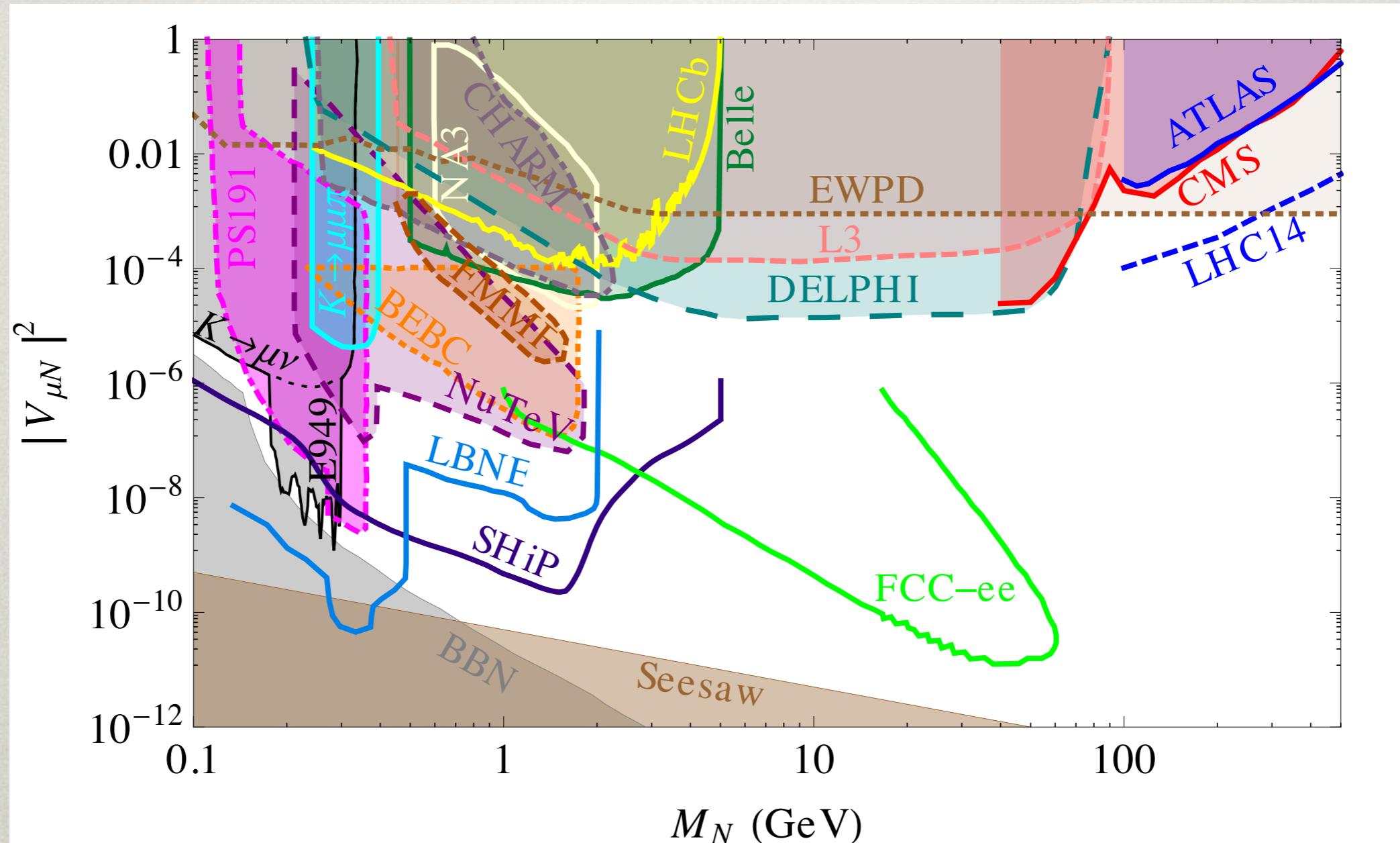
$$V_{\alpha N} \sim \frac{F_\alpha \langle \Phi \rangle}{M_N}$$



- Below weak scale, decay is through **off-shell gauge bosons**, often long-lived
- Consider a simplified model with  $M_N, |V_{\mu N}|$  as free params.

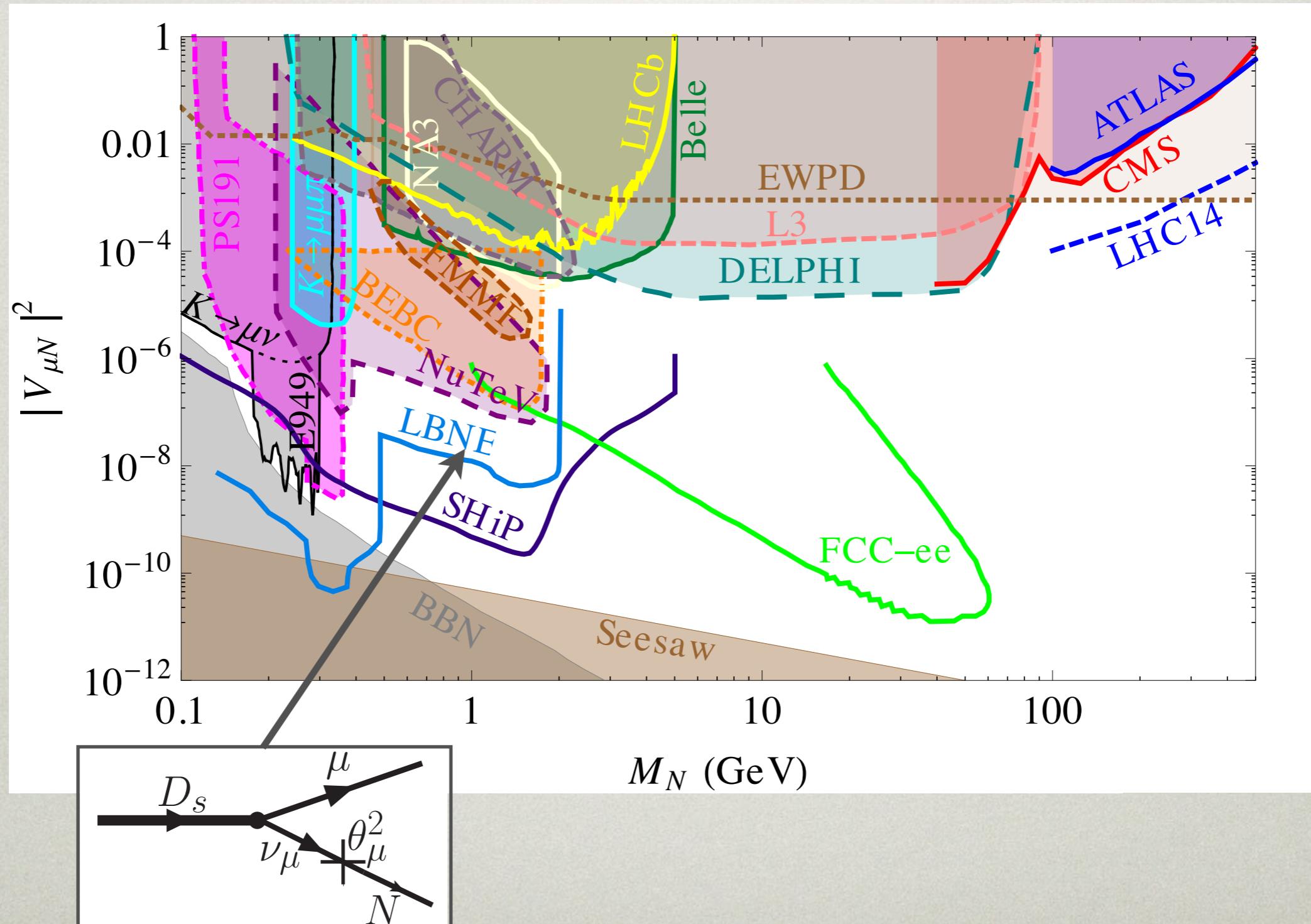
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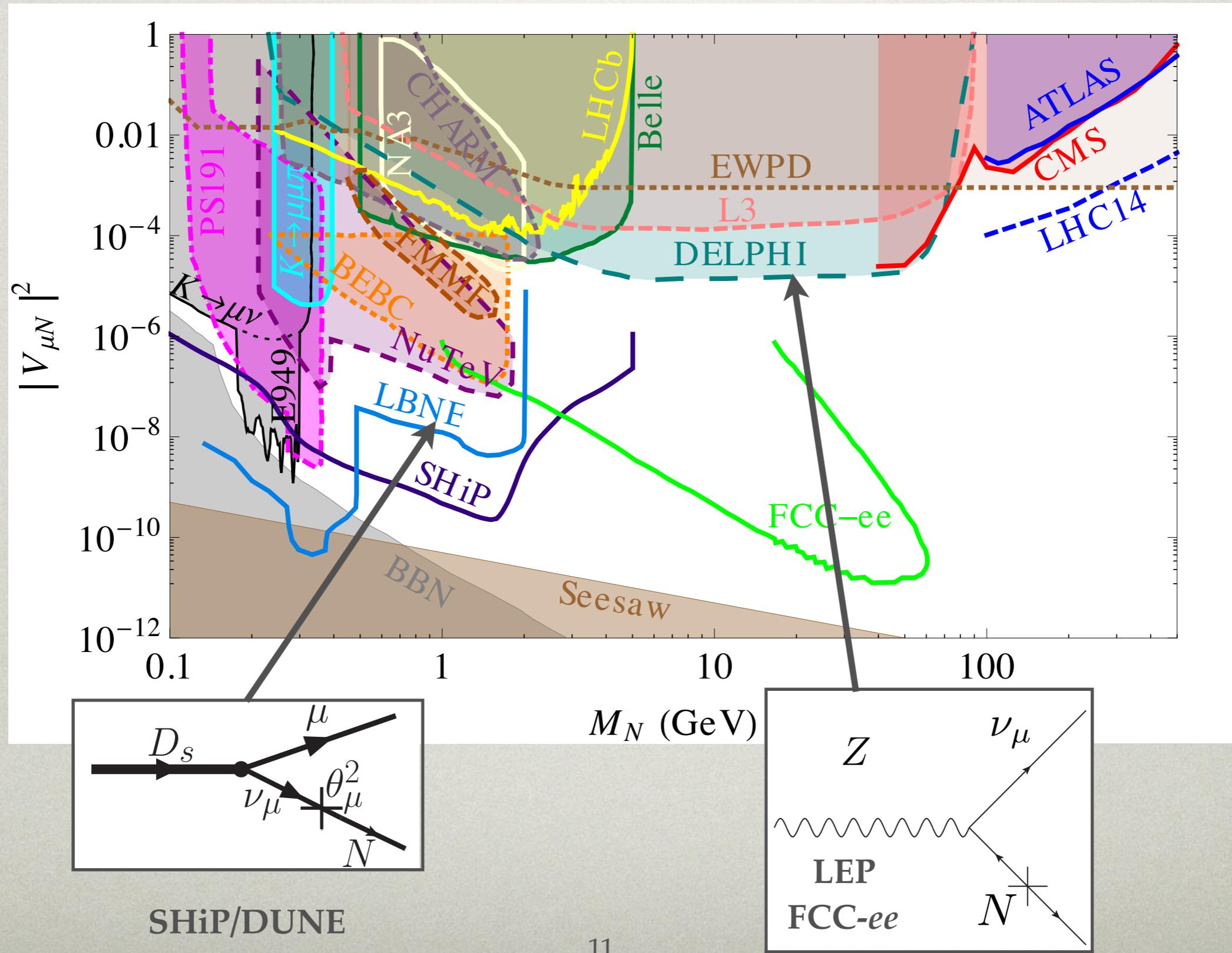
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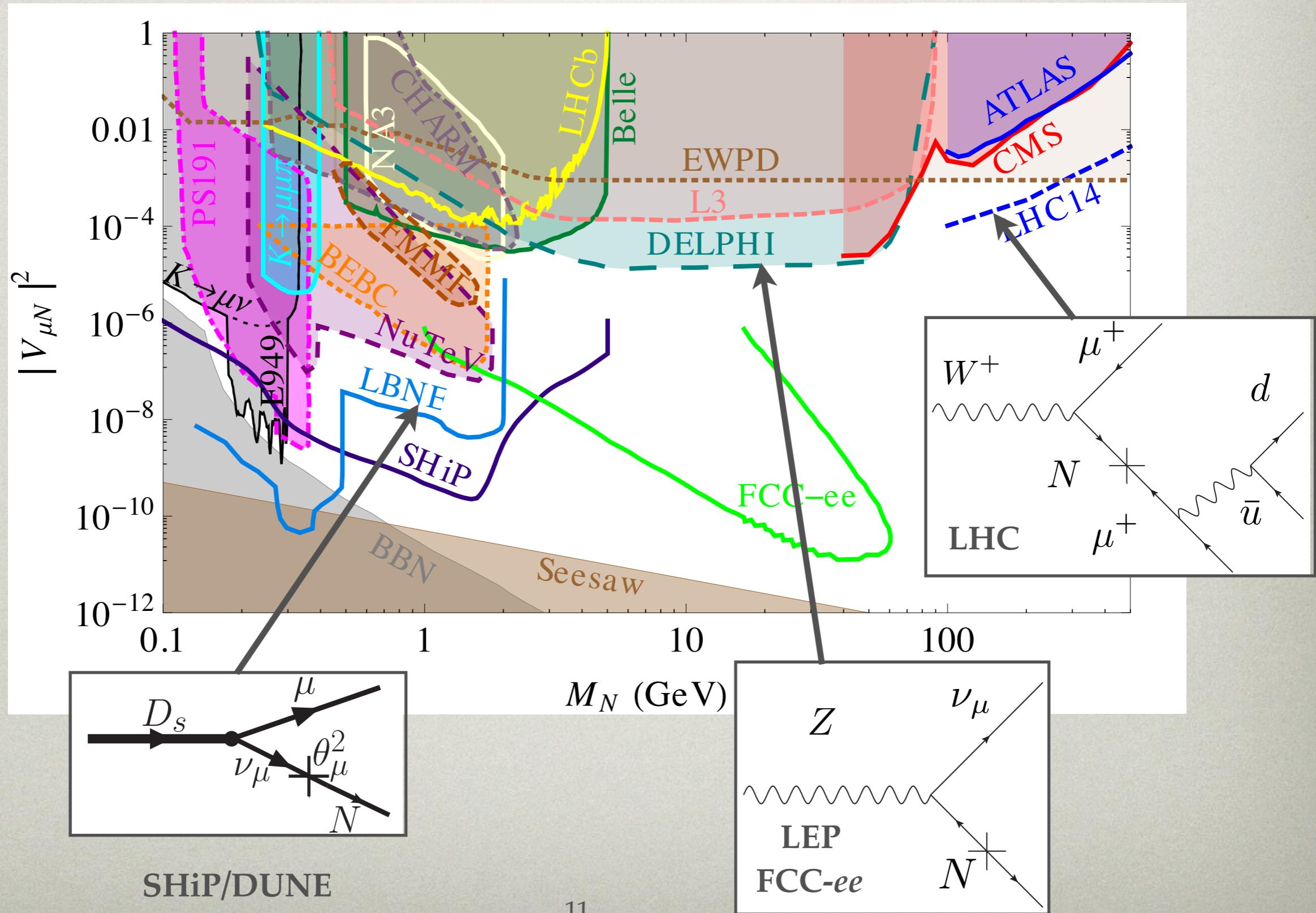
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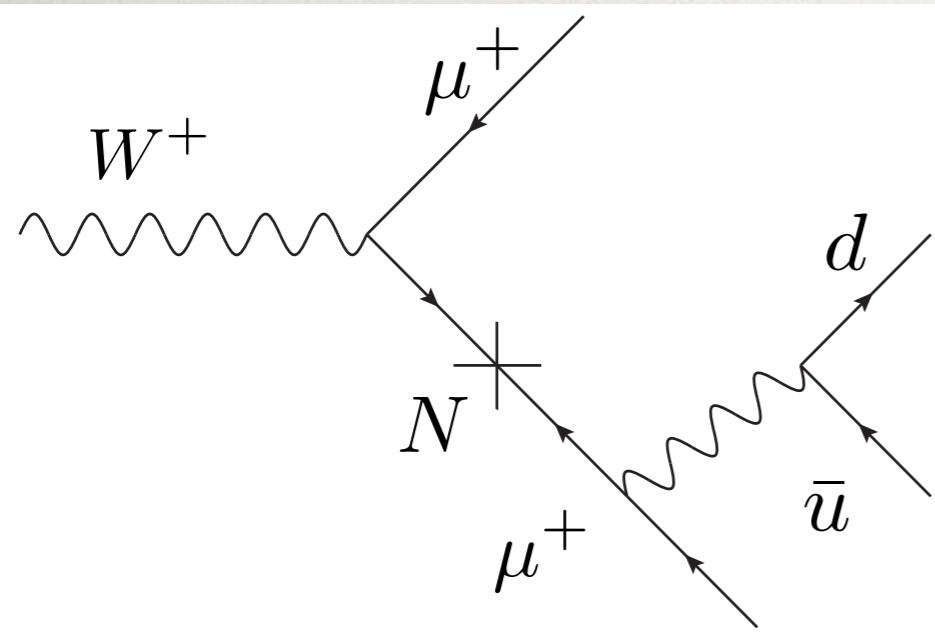


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# Limitations of Current Searches

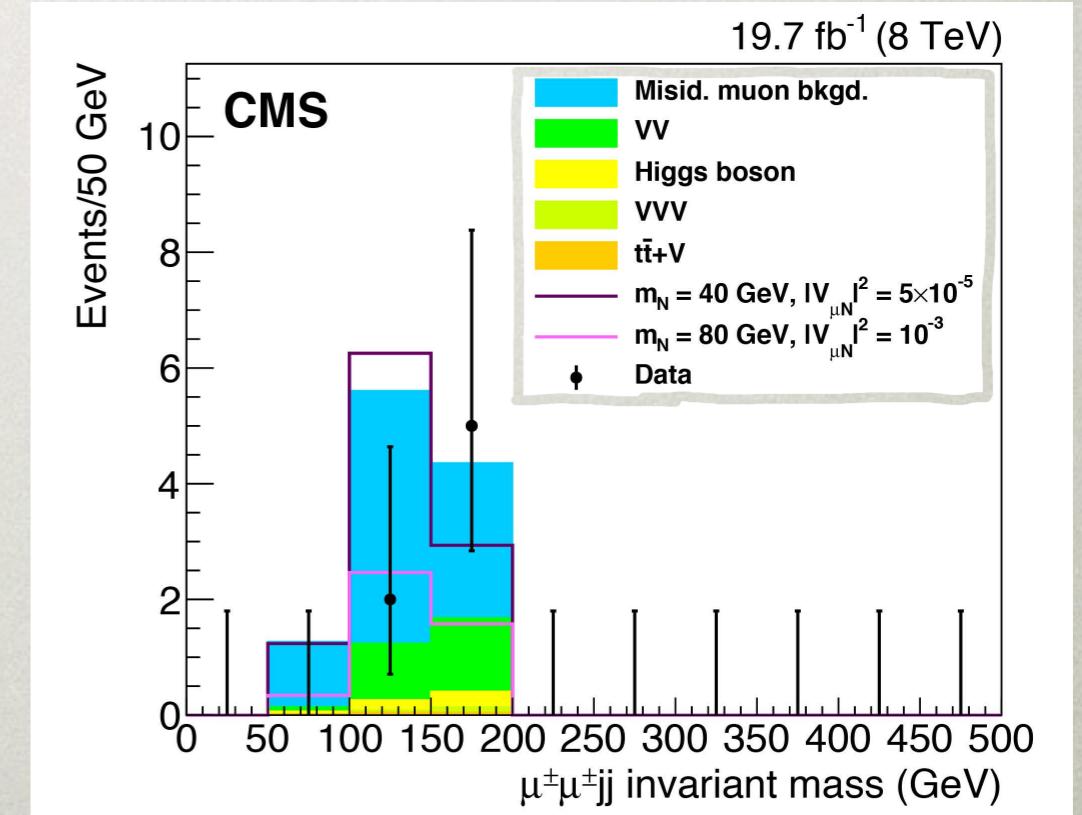


- At low mass, limits not improved over LEP
- Can cleaner, all-leptonic decays help?

$$M_W \approx 80 \text{ GeV}$$

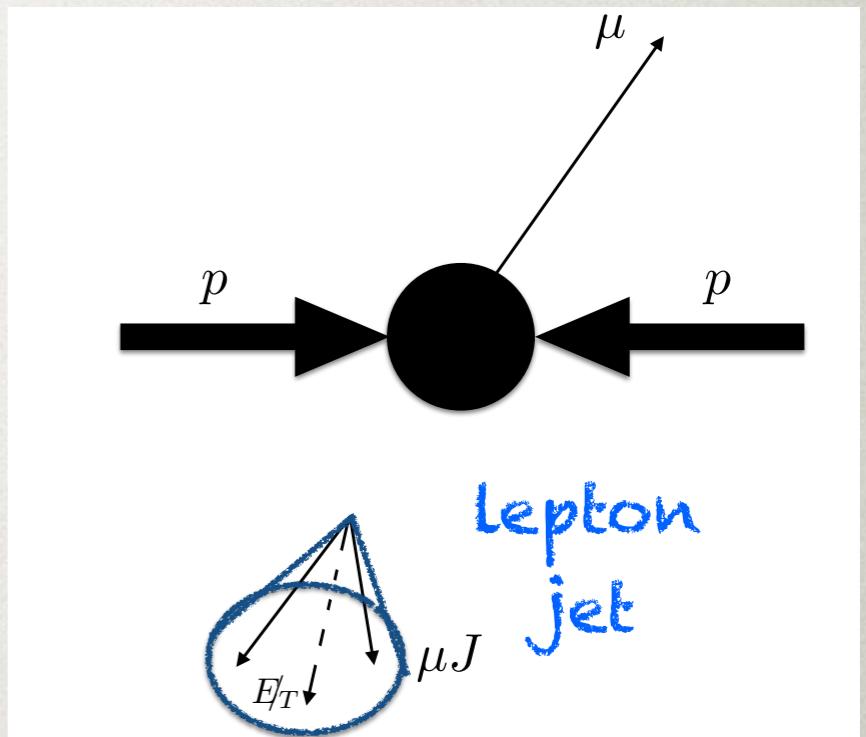
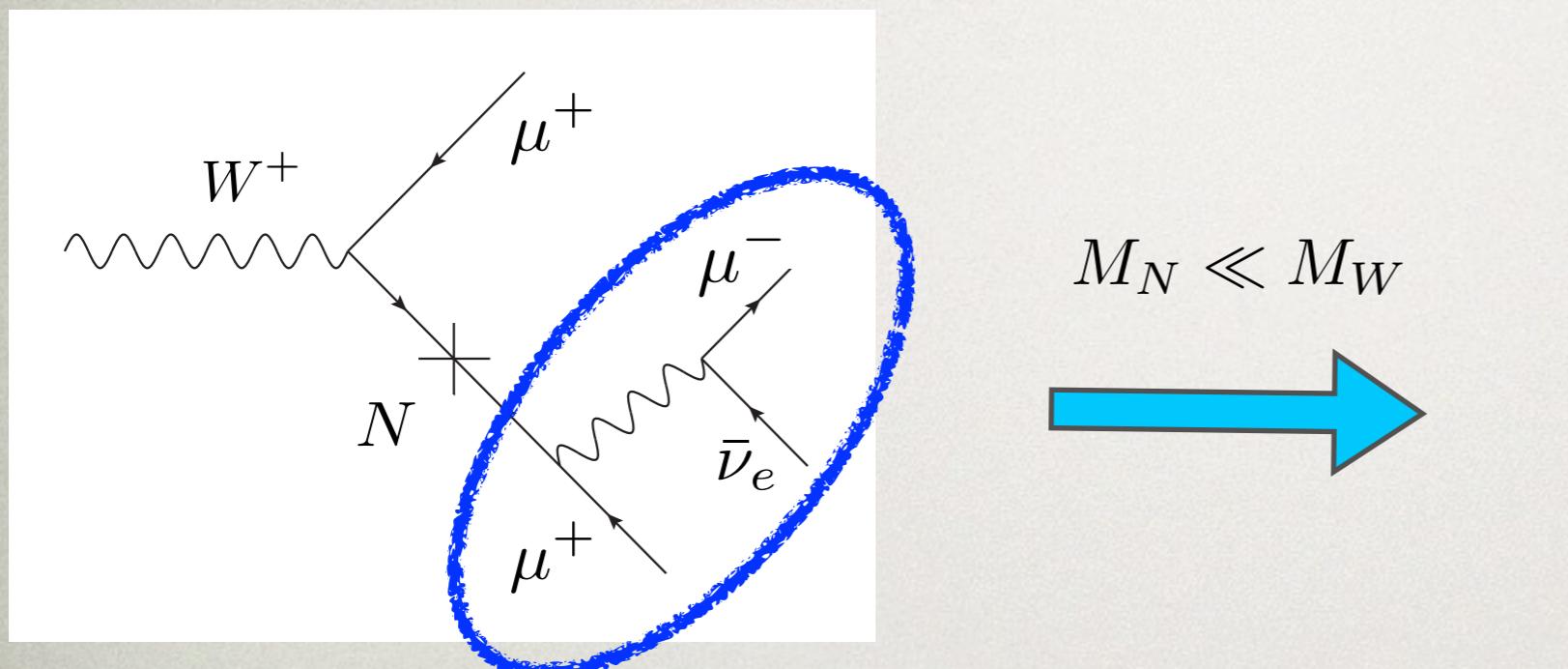
$$p_{T,\ell} \approx 20 \text{ GeV}$$

$$p_{T,j} \approx 30 \text{ GeV}$$



(from arXiv:1501.05566)

# Low-Mass Neutrino Signature



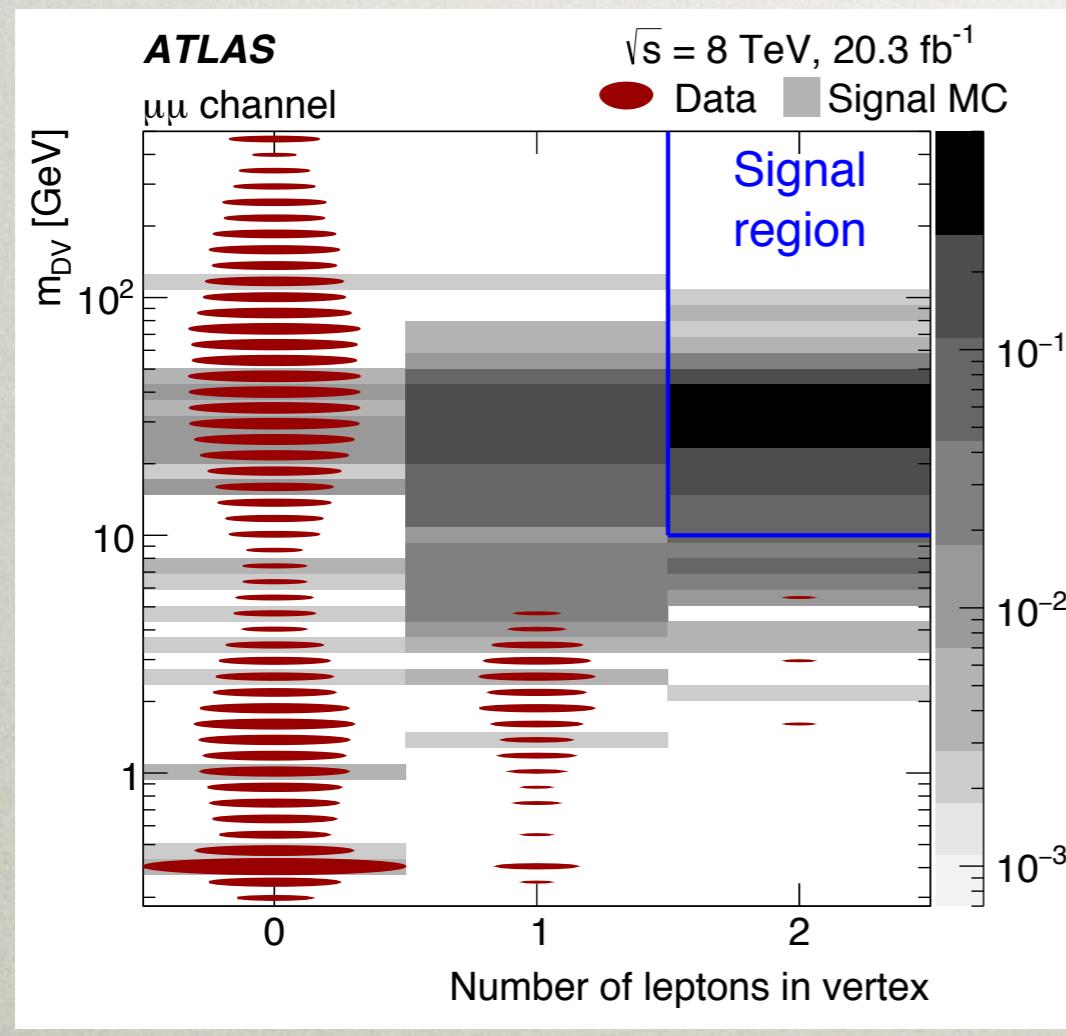
Arkani-Hamed, Weiner, 2008; ...

- Hadronic displaced vertices also possible, but backgrounds could be much larger

Helo, Hirsch, Kovalenko, 2013

# Low-Mass Neutrino Signature

- Searches to date have no sensitivity to this final state
- We expect backgrounds to be very low for a dedicated search



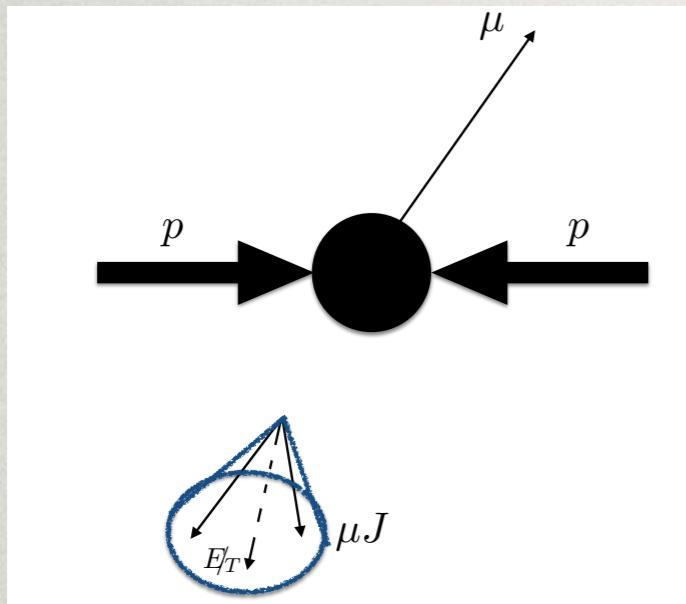
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ATLAS, arXiv:1504.05162

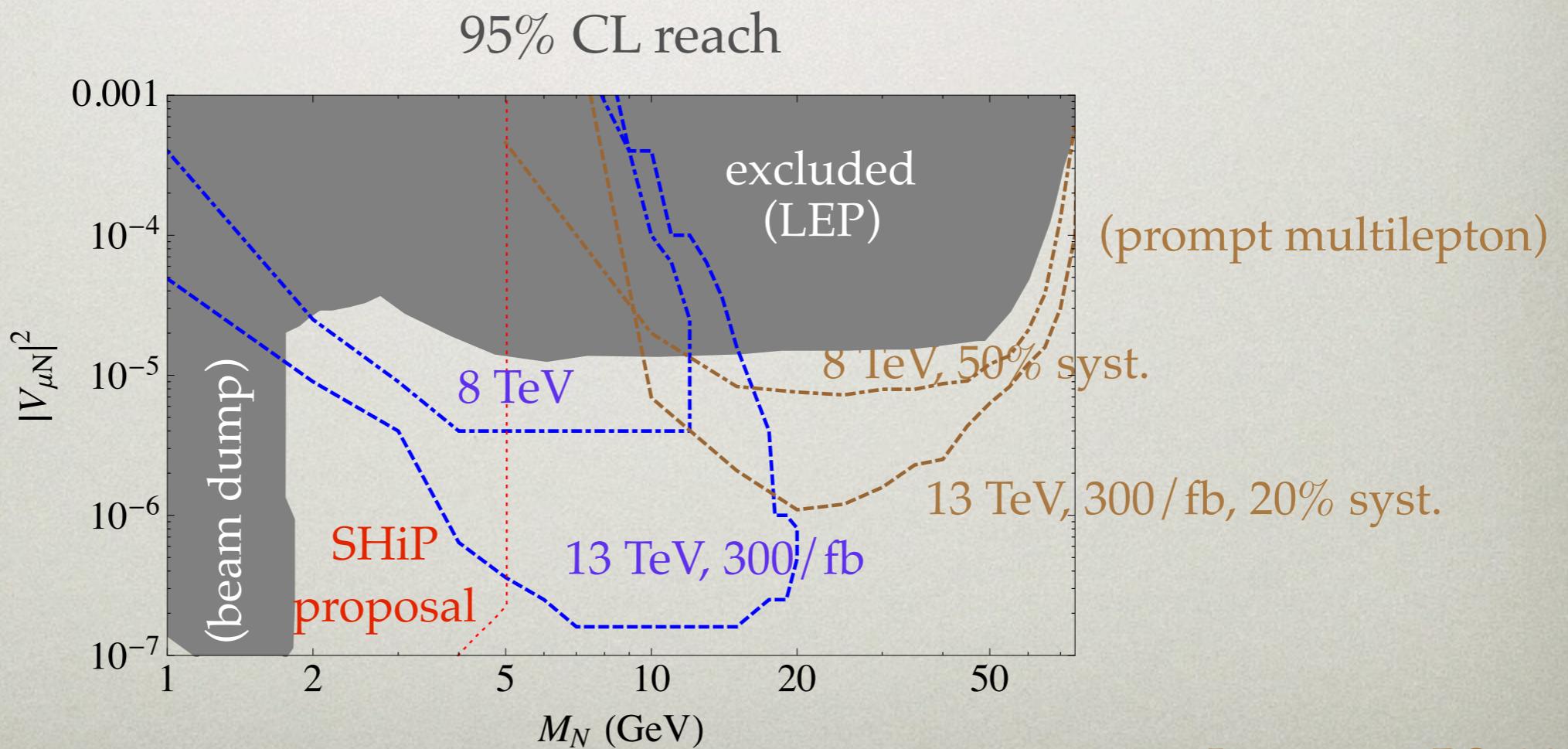
- Also, low-bkd found by extrapolation from existing 2-LJ searches

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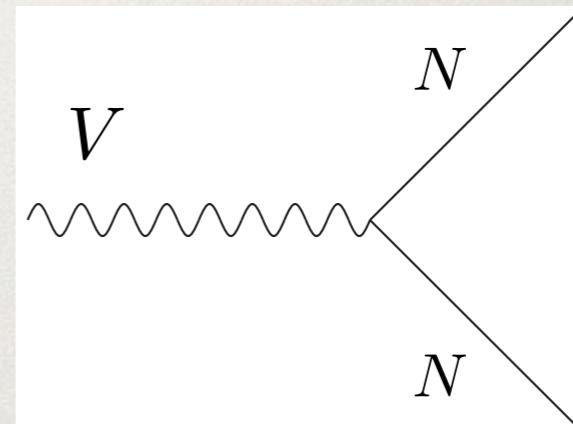
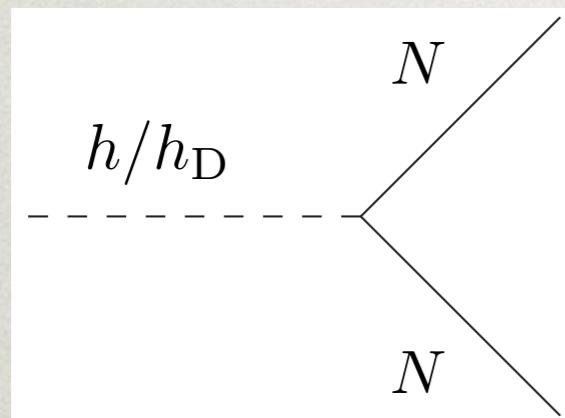
- Good sensitivity for displaced search
- Also, good prospects for prompt decays as well!



# Low-Mass Neutrino Signature

- In other scenarios,  $N$  can be produced in decay of the Higgs boson or new gauge boson

Mohapatra, Marshak 1980; Huiti *et al.*, 2008; Aguilar-Saavedra, 2009;  
Basso *et al.*, 2009; Fileviez Perez, Han, Li 2009  
Pilaftsis, 1999; Graesser, 2007; Shoemaker, Petraki, Kusenko, 2008; Garcia Cely *et al.*, 2012;  
Dev *et al.*, 2012; Gago *et al.*, 2015; Accomando *et al.*, 2016



- *E.g., current unoptimized searches can be sensitive to gauge couplings and / or scalar mixing angles  $\sim 0.01$ , future  $\sim 10^{-4}$  level?*
- Low-energy experiments should look for this too!

Batell, Pospelov, BS, 2016 & ongoing

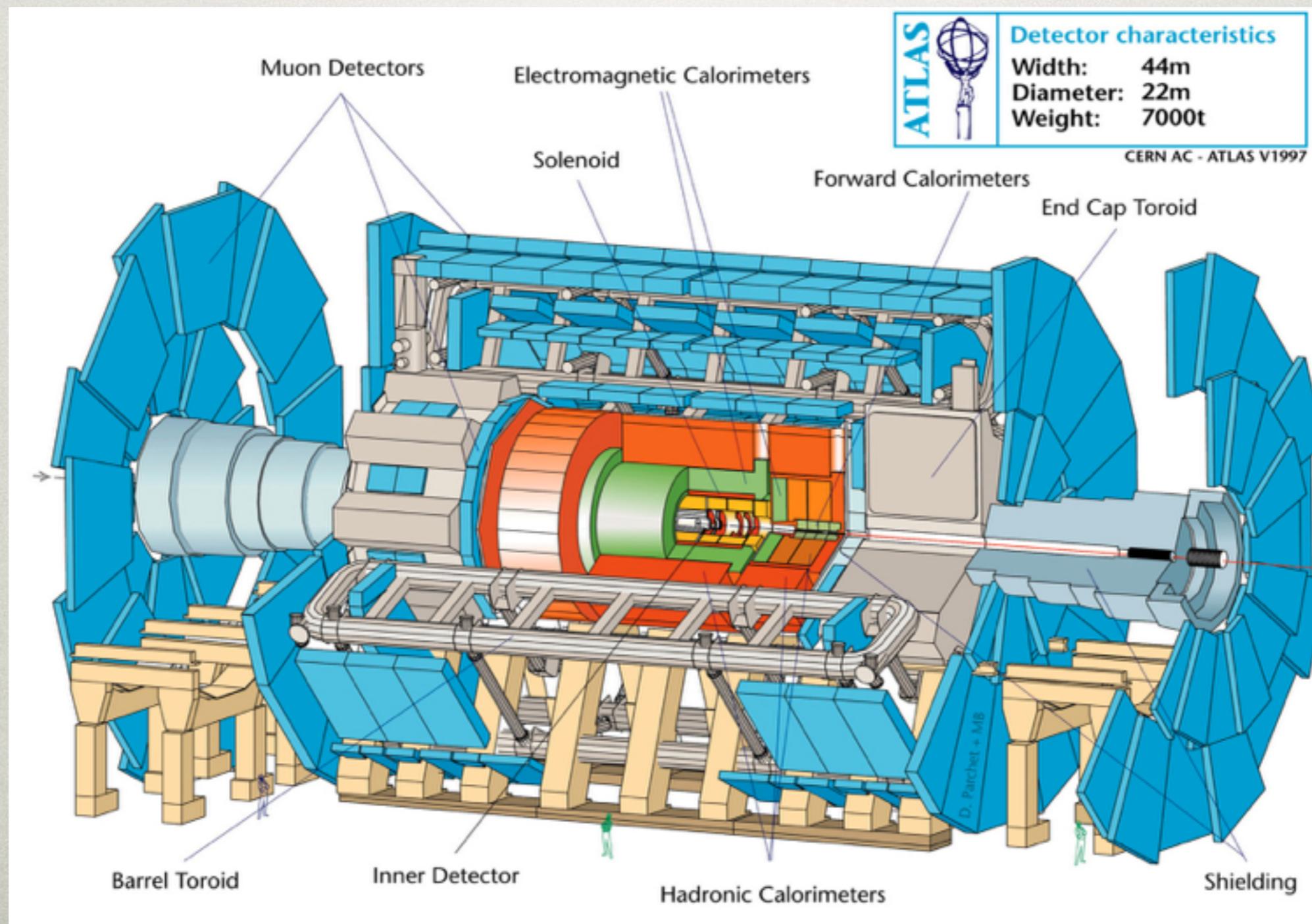
# Broadening the Scope

Thomas, Wells, 1998; Strassler, Zurek 2006; Bai, Tait, 2011; Curtin *et al.*, 2013;  
Cui, BS, 2014; Izaguirre, Krnjaic, BS, 2015; Ismail, Izaguirre, BS, 2016  
+ many, many more...

- Many of these lessons are generic
  - Use associated objects for trigger and background suppression
  - Also look for pairs of soft, long-lived objects
- Existing searches are a good start, but often lack sensitivity to low-mass final states in either single or pair production

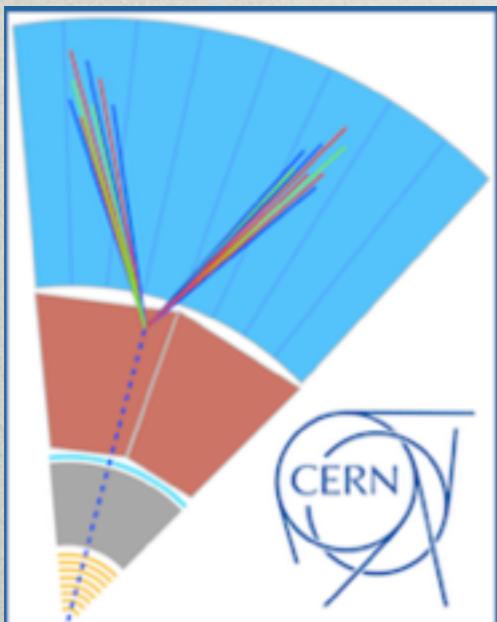
# Barriers to a Comprehensive Strategy

- Decays can happen throughout detector, in various permutations of final states



# Progress Requires Community Planning

- Need whole community efforts
- Already significant work towards a community document on proposing simplified models and searches
- Excellent response from theory community — let me know if you want to be involved!



## Searches for long-lived particles at the LHC: Workshop of the LHC LLP Community

Albert de Roeck (CMS)

James Beacham (ATLAS)

Xabier Cid Vidal (LHCb)

Brian Shuve (theory)

CERN

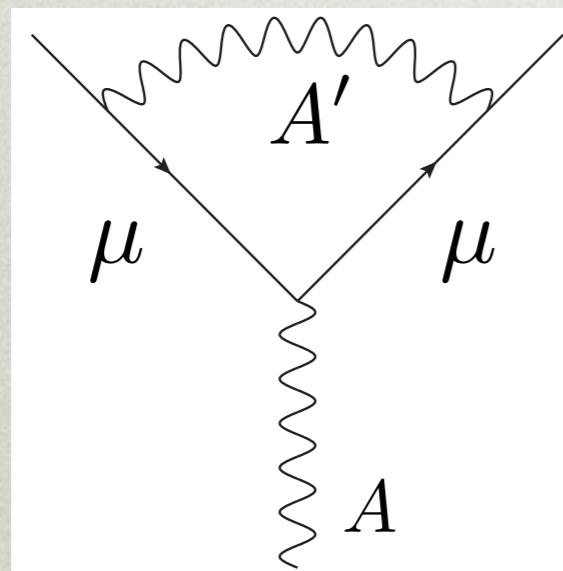
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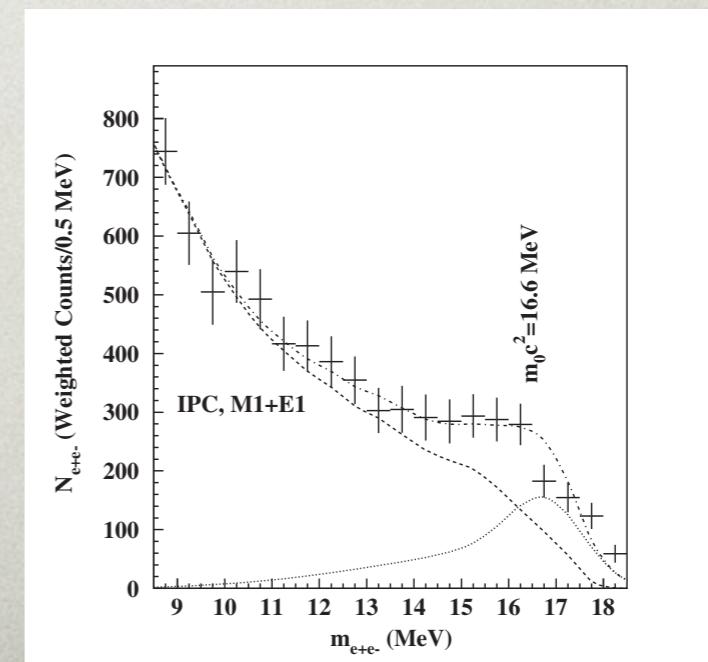
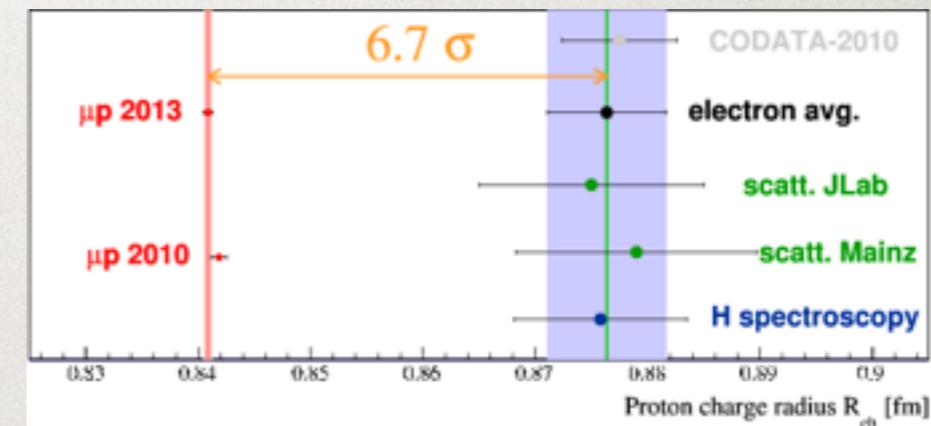
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# Low-Energy Searches

- If particles have low mass ( $< 10$  GeV), we could directly produce them in low-energy accelerator and collider experiments
- There are already some potential hints of new particle interactions in low-energy experiments

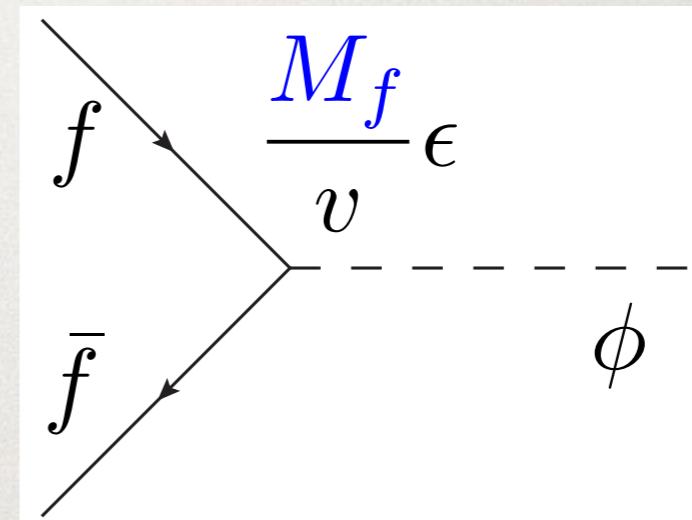
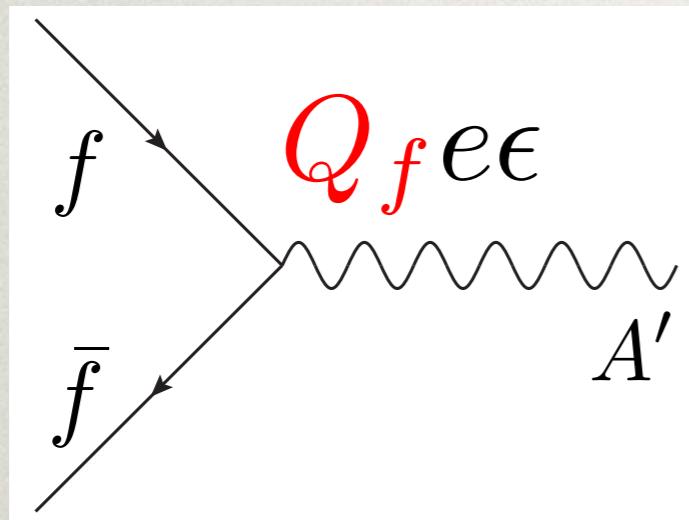


$$\Delta(g - 2)_\mu \sim 3 - 4\sigma$$

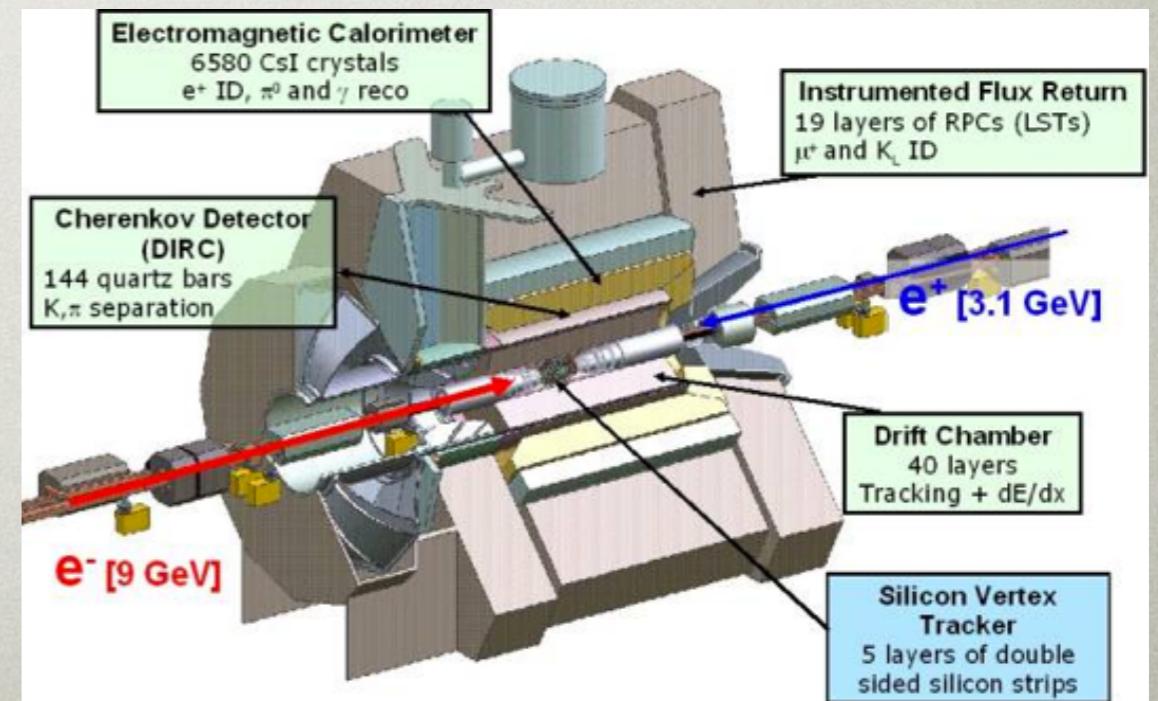


# Low-Energy Searches

- Most existing searches for low-mass particles make simple assumptions, such as inheritance of couplings from SM

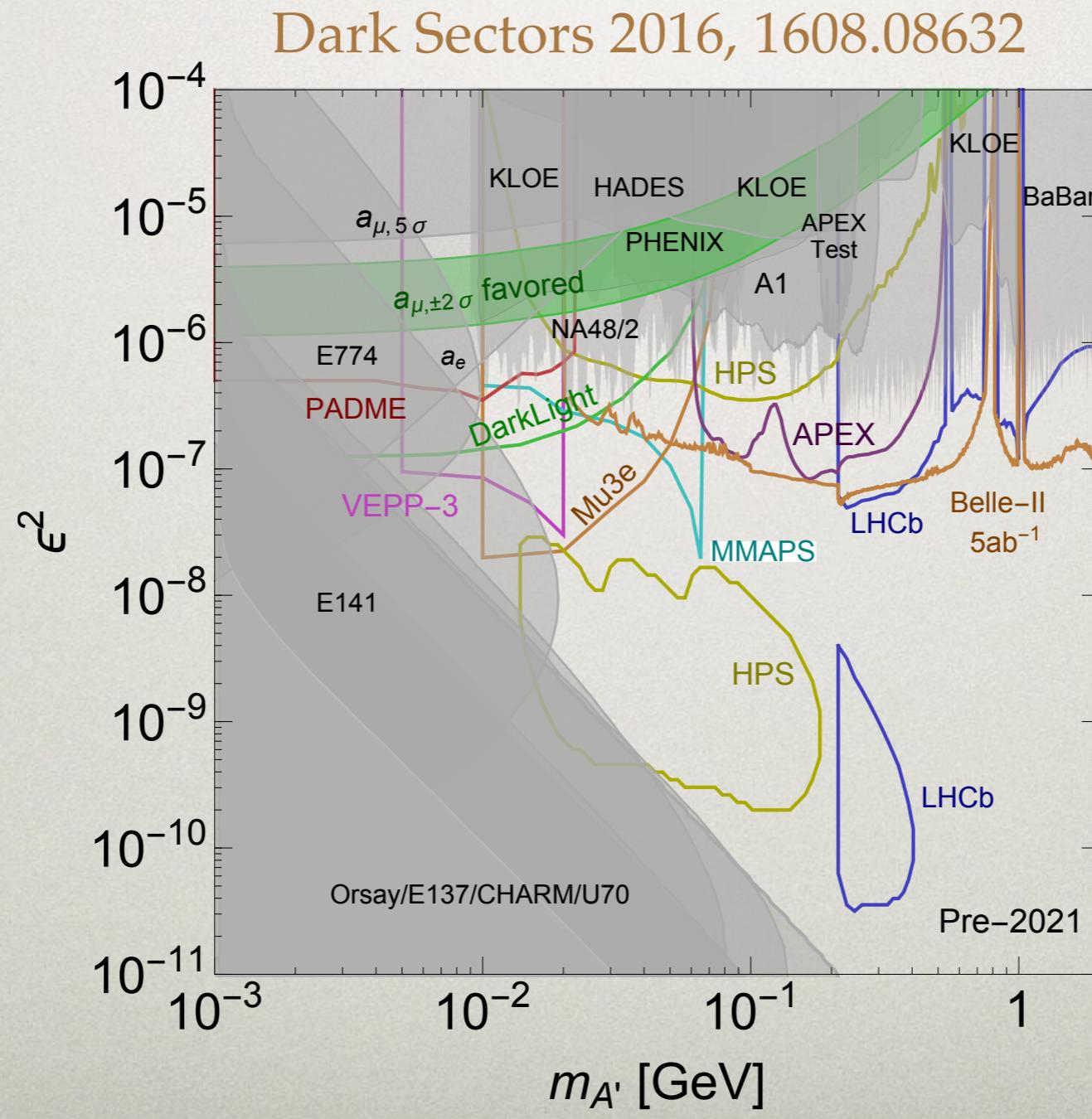


- Use of electron beams, meson factories to probe these



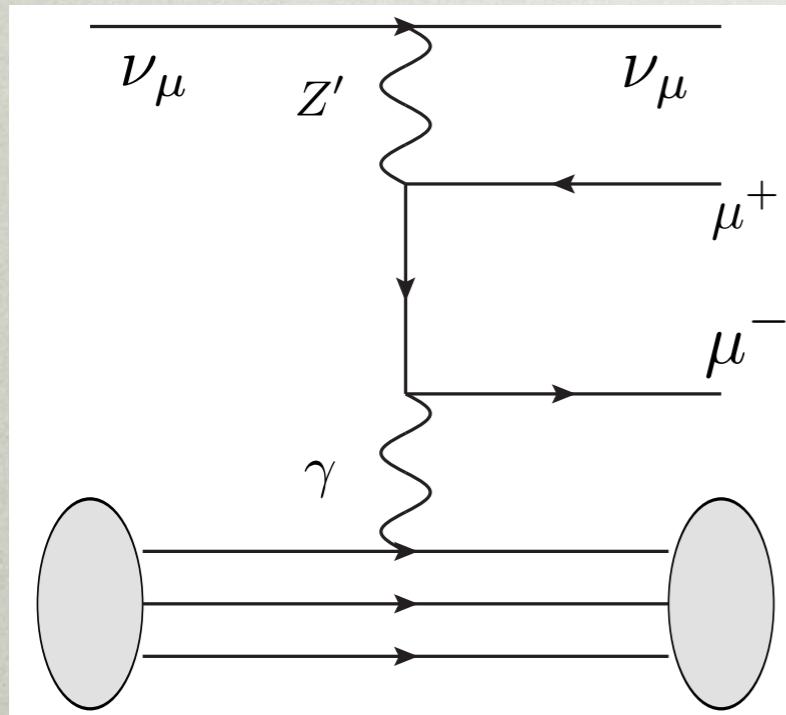
# Low-Energy Searches

- So far...no luck
- Many of the constraints are due to **electron** and **quark** interactions

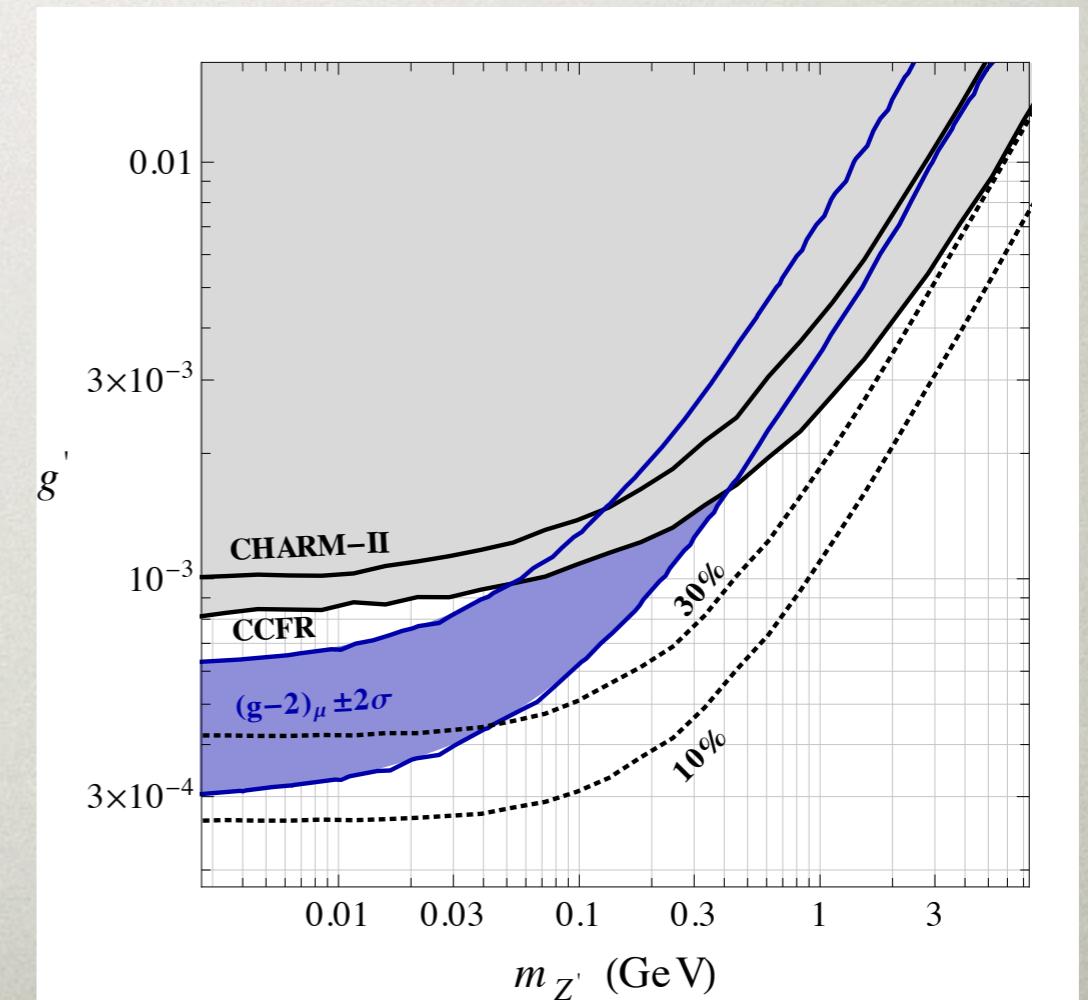


# New Muonic Forces

- One possibility, consistent with lepton anomalies, is a new force coupled to muons but *not* electrons
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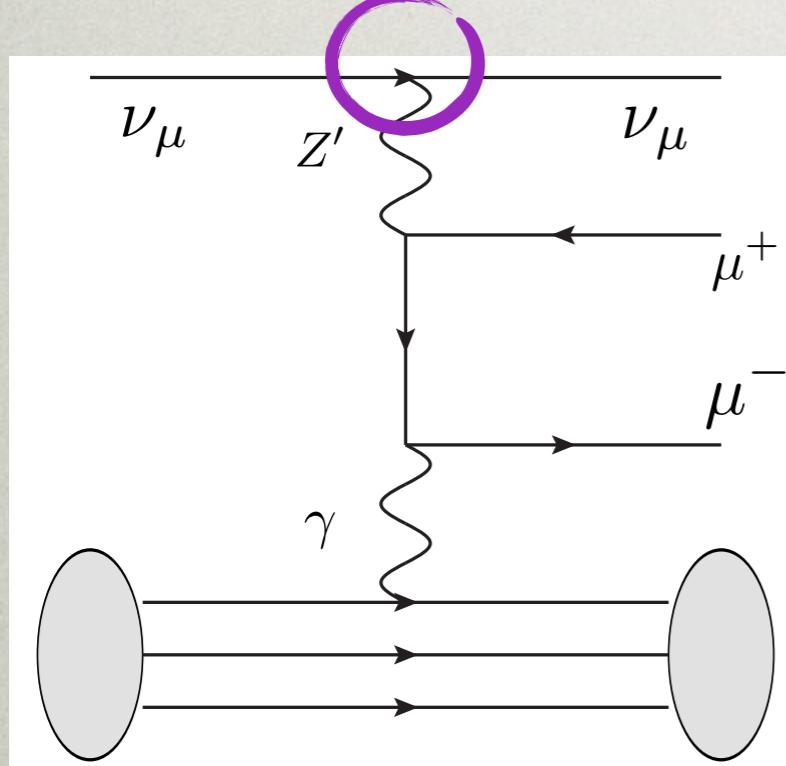


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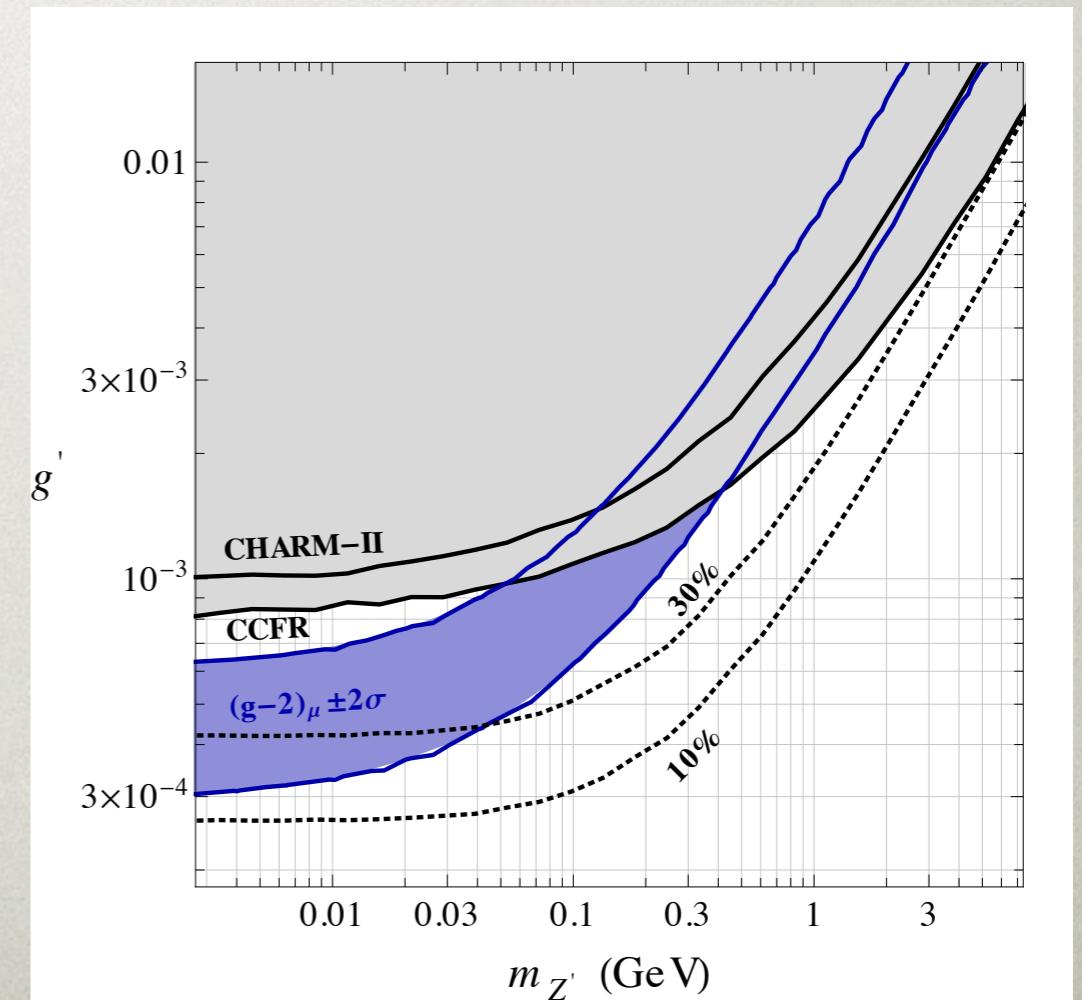


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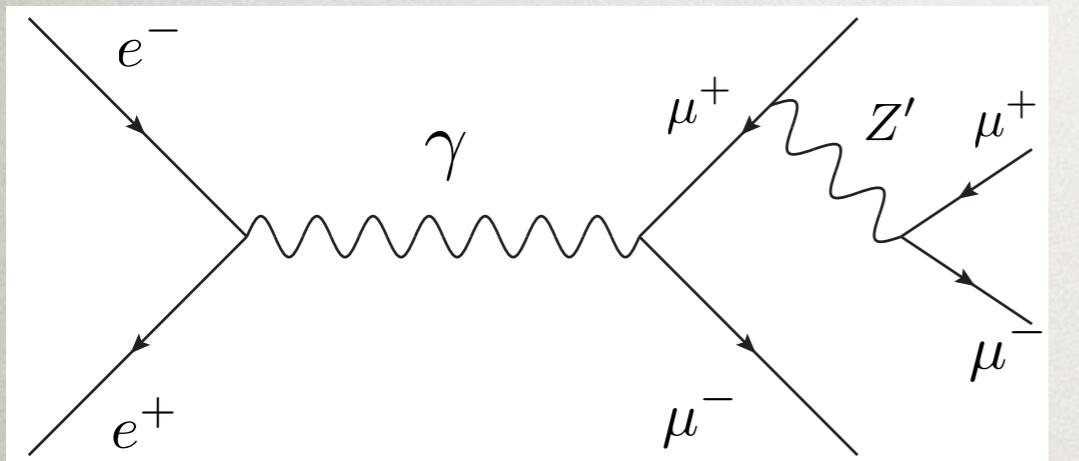


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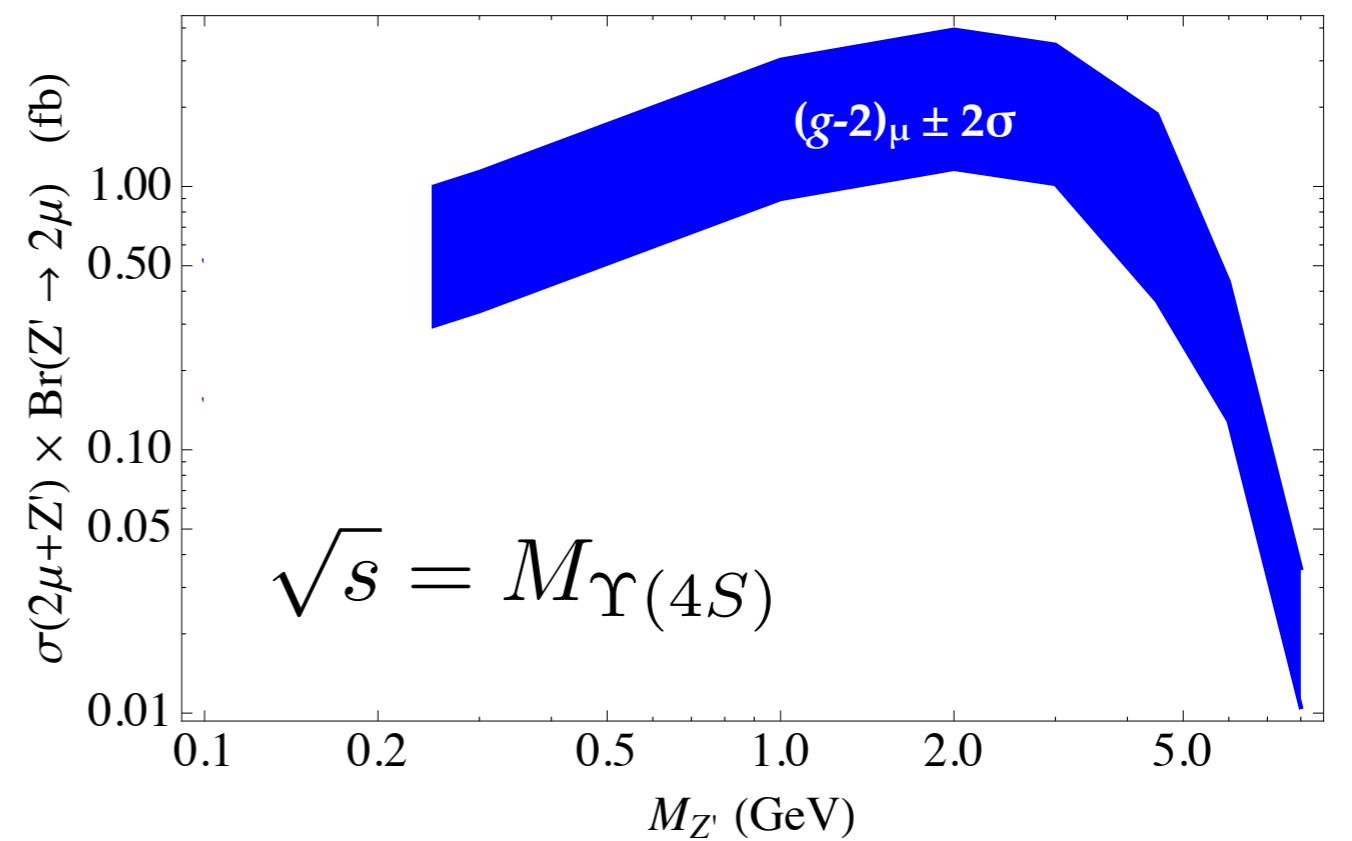


# New Muonic Forces

- True **model-independent** test only exploits coupling to muons, but use  $L_\mu$ - $L_\tau$  as a benchmark; complements indirect tests



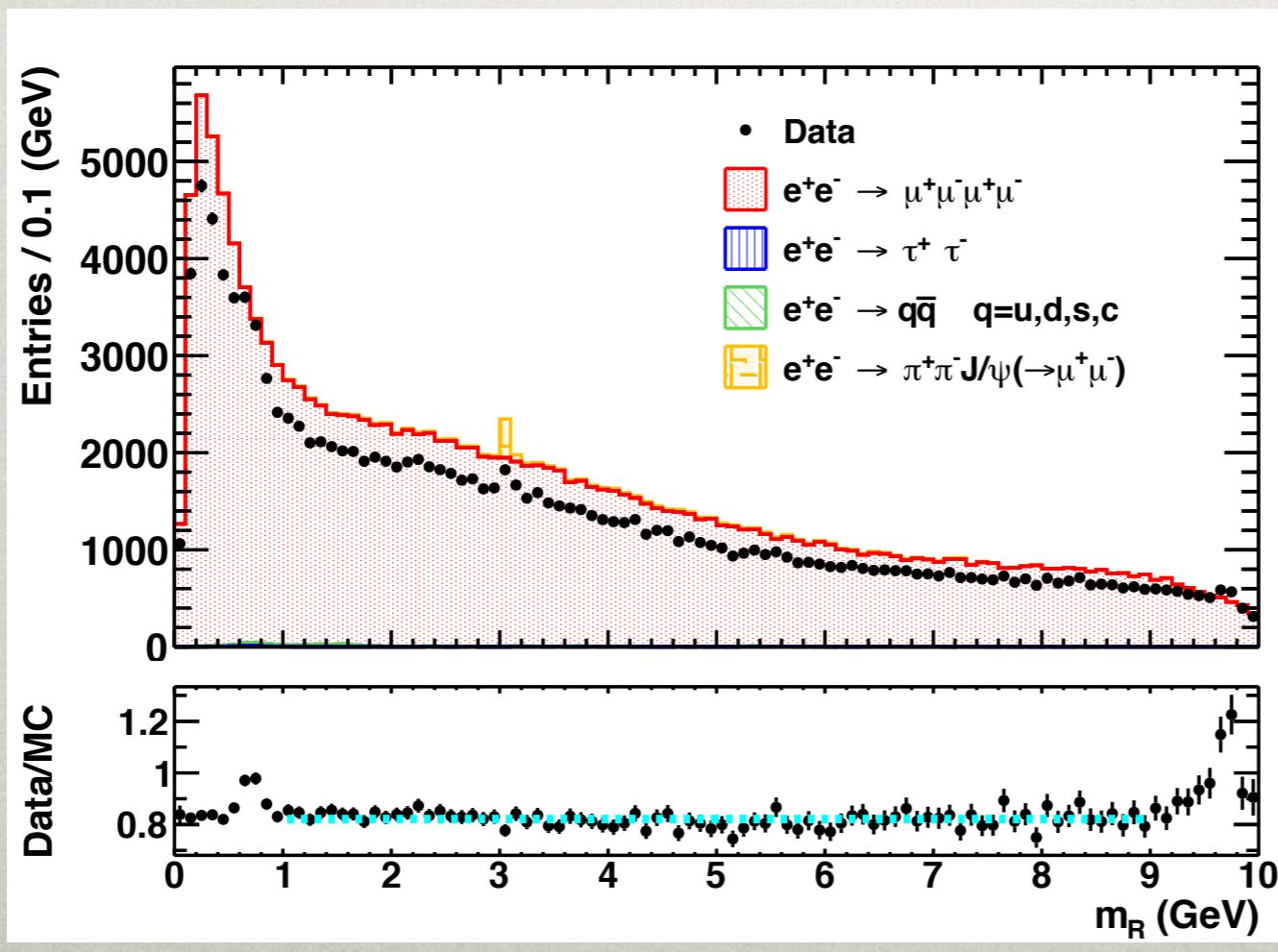
BS with *BABAR*, arXiv:1606.03501



- BaBar: 514 / fb total luminosity, mostly  $\Upsilon(4S)$

# Muonic Forces at *BABAR*

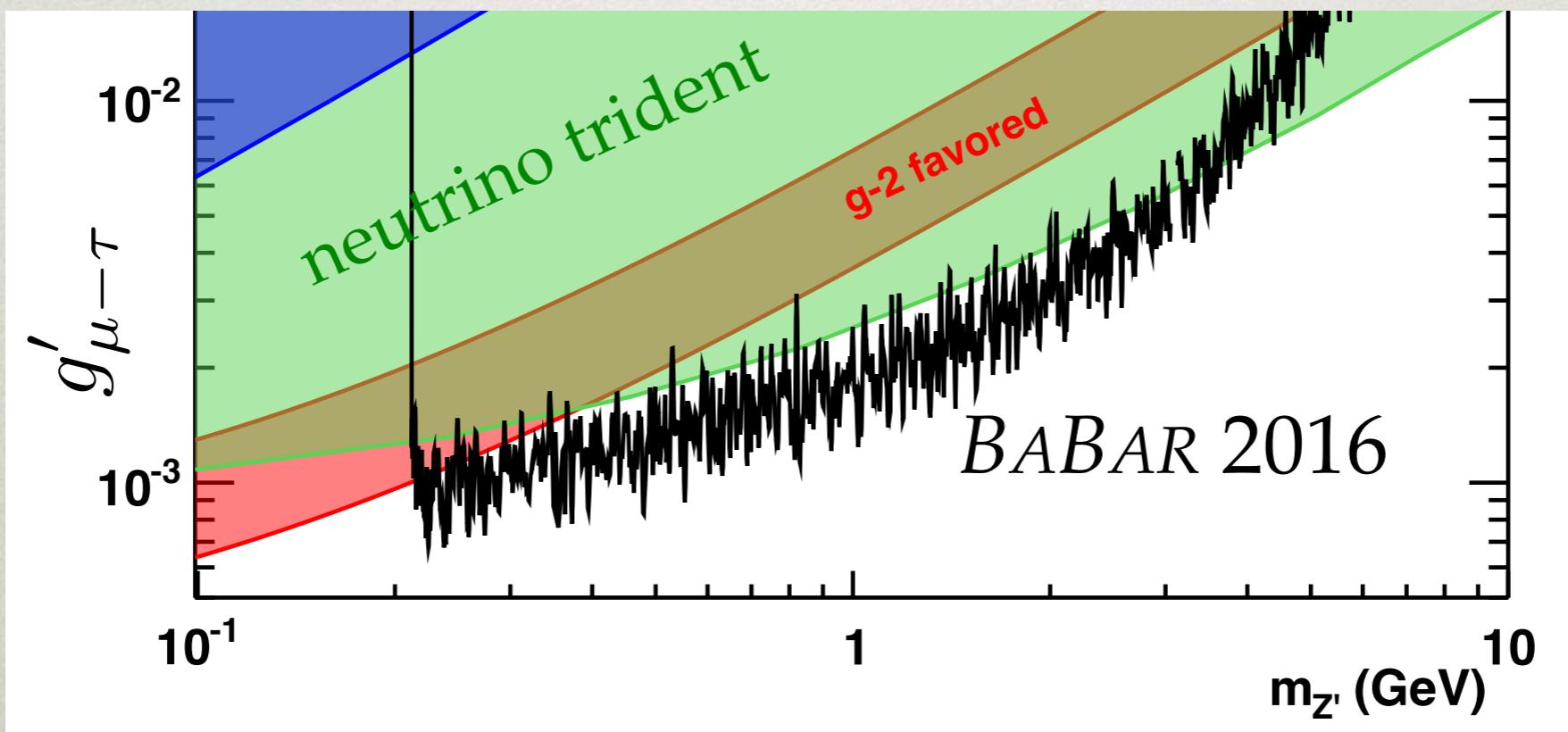
- Require 2 pos. and 2 neg. tracks that carry total beam energy
- Require same-sign tracks to pass muon ID (better efficiency than requiring 4 muons, 3% pion mis-ID rate)



$$m_R = \sqrt{M_{\mu\mu}^2 - 4M_\mu^2}$$

# Muonic Forces at *BABAR*

- Do maximum likelihood fits of polynomial (bkd) vs. double Gaussian shape extracted from MC (signal)
- No significant excess observed, extract limits at 90% CL on model-independent cross section times branching fraction

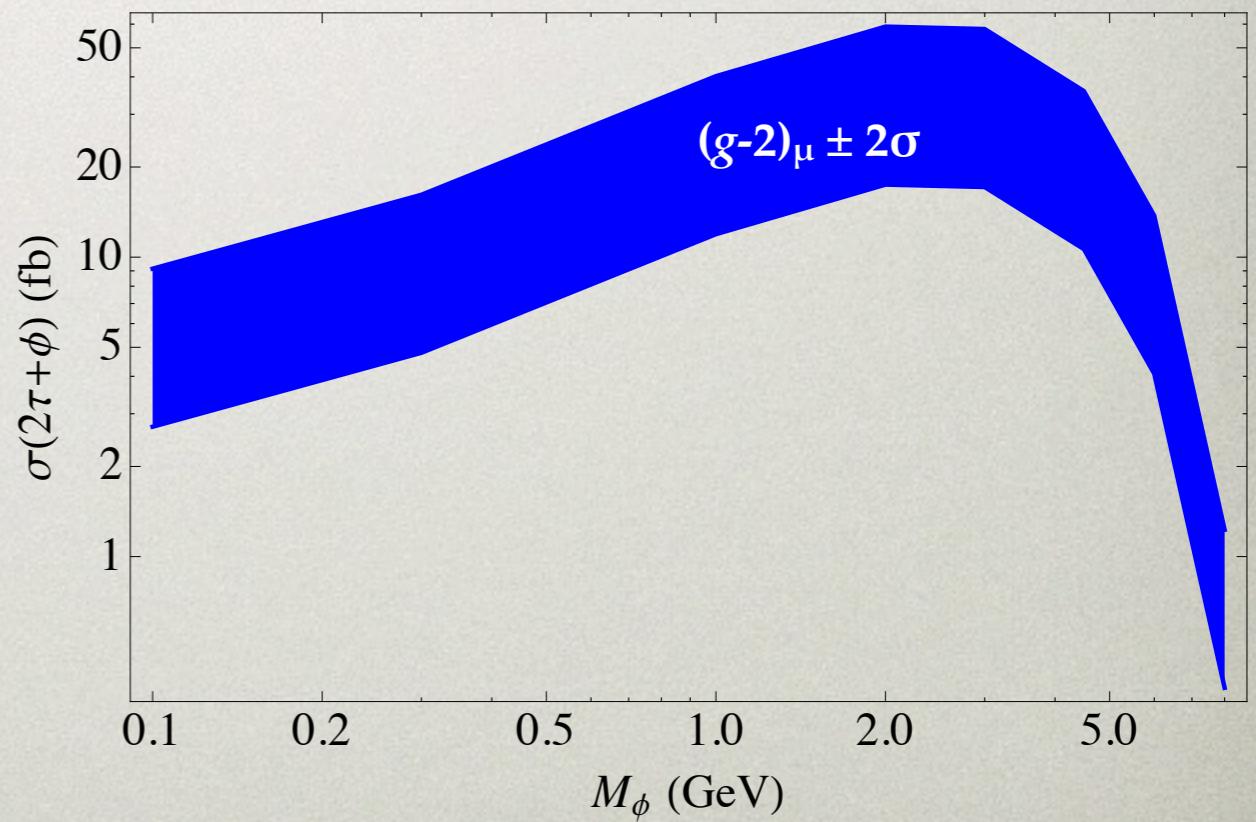
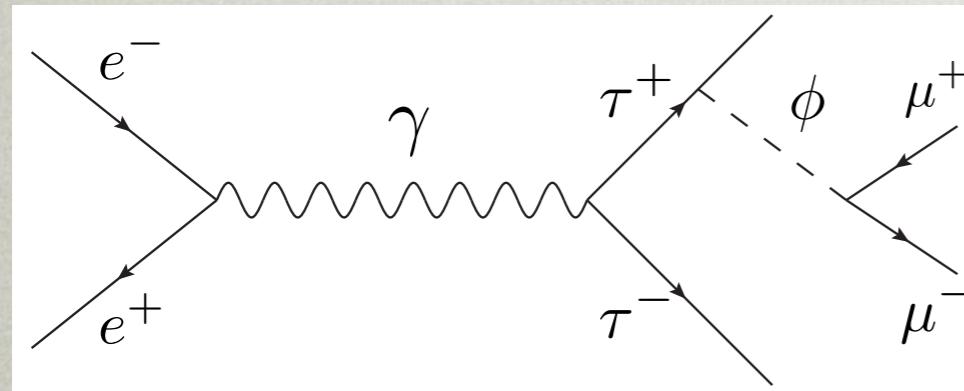


BS with *BABAR*, arXiv:1606.03501

# Leptophilic Scalars at *BABAR*

- Muon-only coupling not (yet) sufficient to probe all of  $g-2$
- However, scalars typically have **mass-proportional coupling**

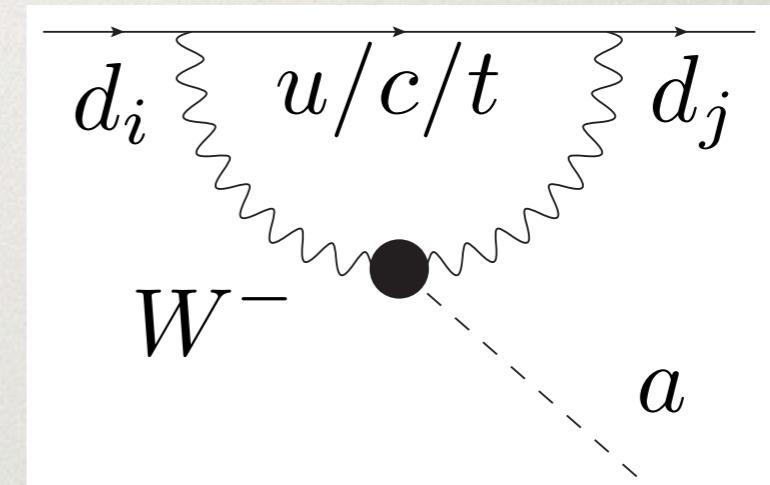
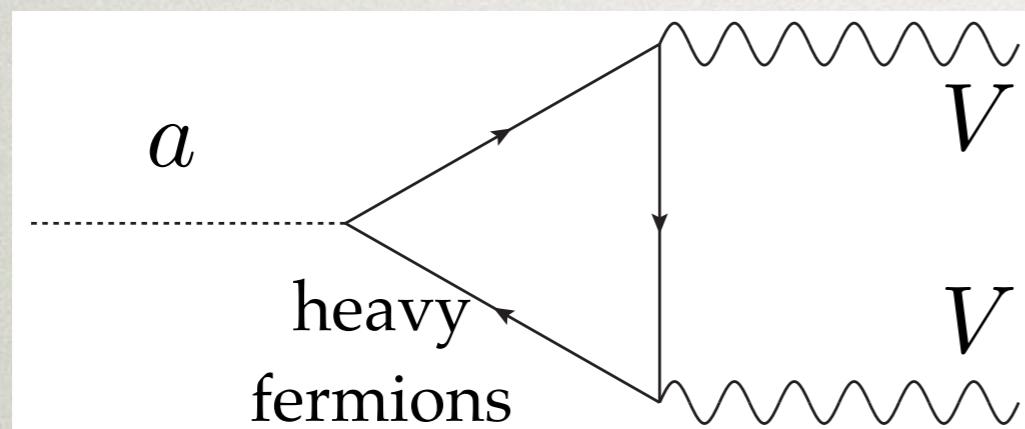
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BS with *BABAR*, in progress

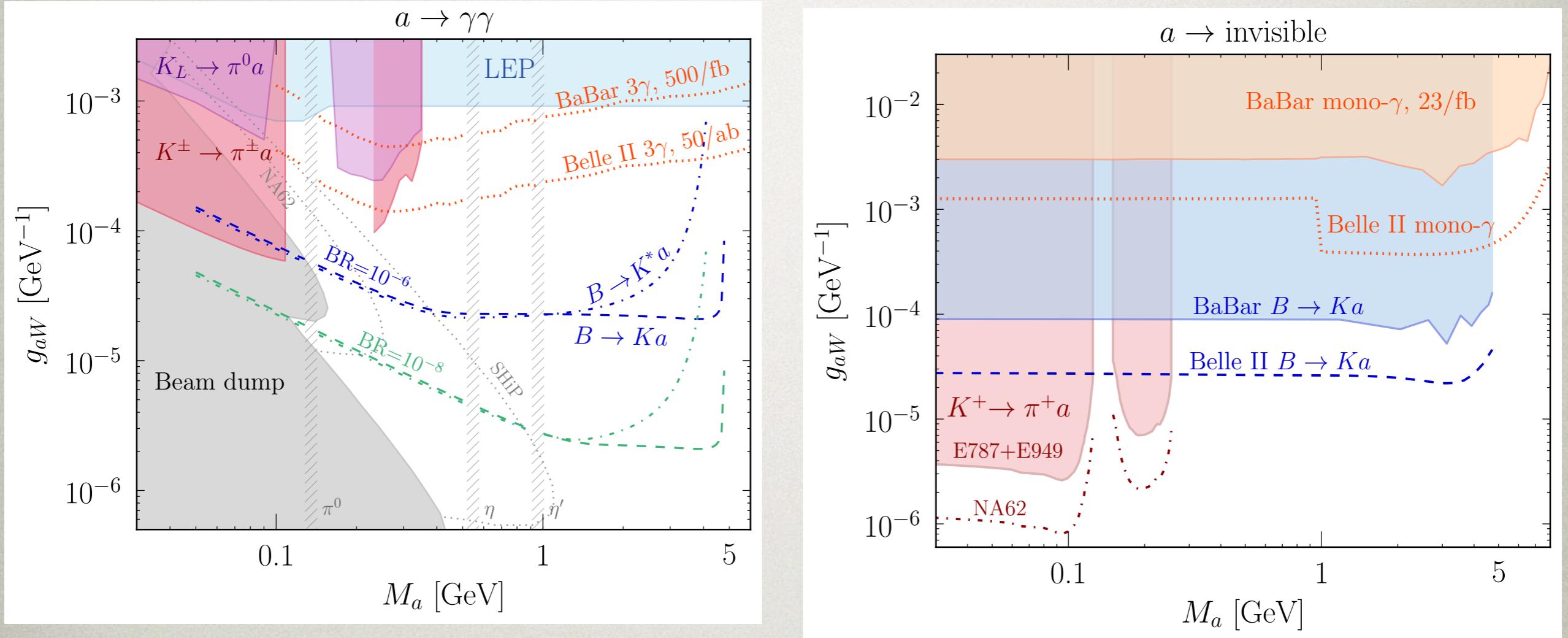
# Axion-like Particles at *BABAR*

- Instead of preferential interaction with muons, could have preferential coupling of new particle with **gauge bosons**



- Most commonly, ALP can be invisible or decay to photons

# Axion-like Particles at *BABAR*



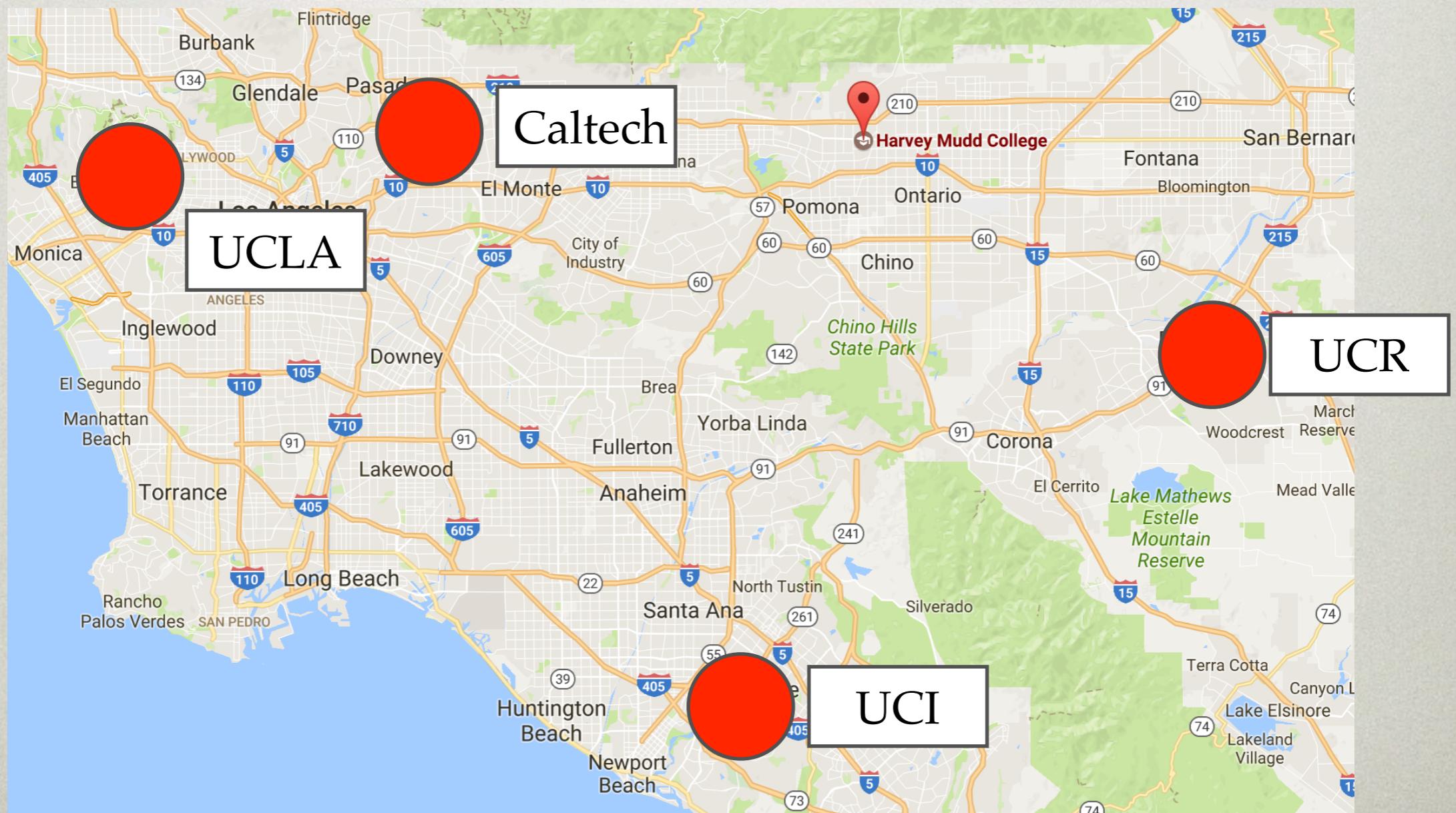
E. Izaguirre, T. Lin, and BS, arXiv:1611.09355

- New diphoton search ongoing

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# Harvey Mudd College

- College specializing in science, math & engineering w/ excellent students



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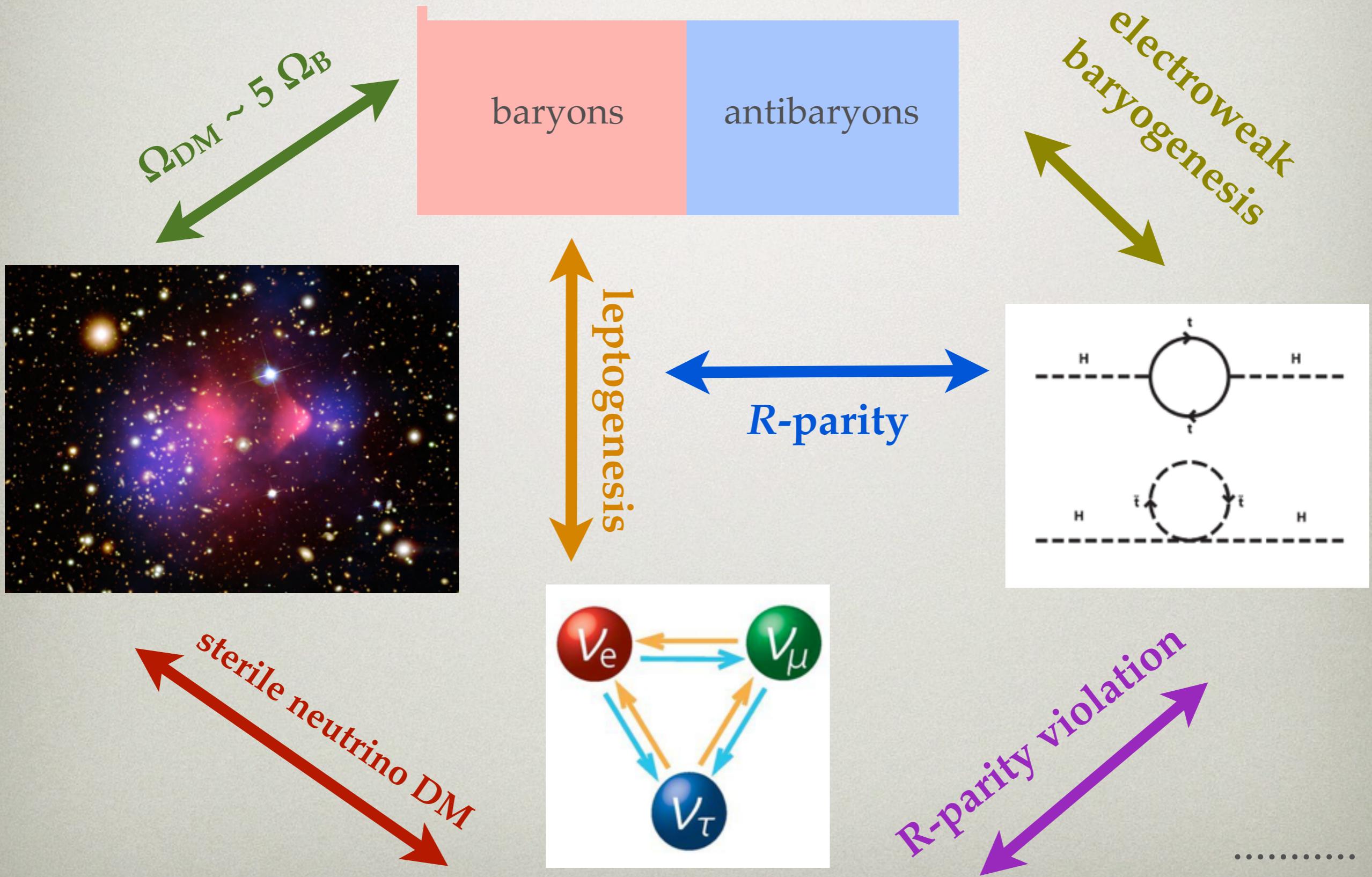
- I will be building a research program there over the next few years
- Excellent students and educational/outreach possibilities, but more limited resources than in a research university
- Excited to get connected and build more collaborations with local physicists
- If you want more experience involving undergraduates or have ideas you want to try out, let me know!

# Summary

- New hidden sectors are motivated by dark matter, neutrino masses, baryon asymmetry, etc.
- Excellent progress from colliders in last ~6 years for new heavy particle searches, but more work is needed for light states
- Combination of collider, accelerator, direct/indirect detection, and cosmology needed to hone in on this hidden universe!

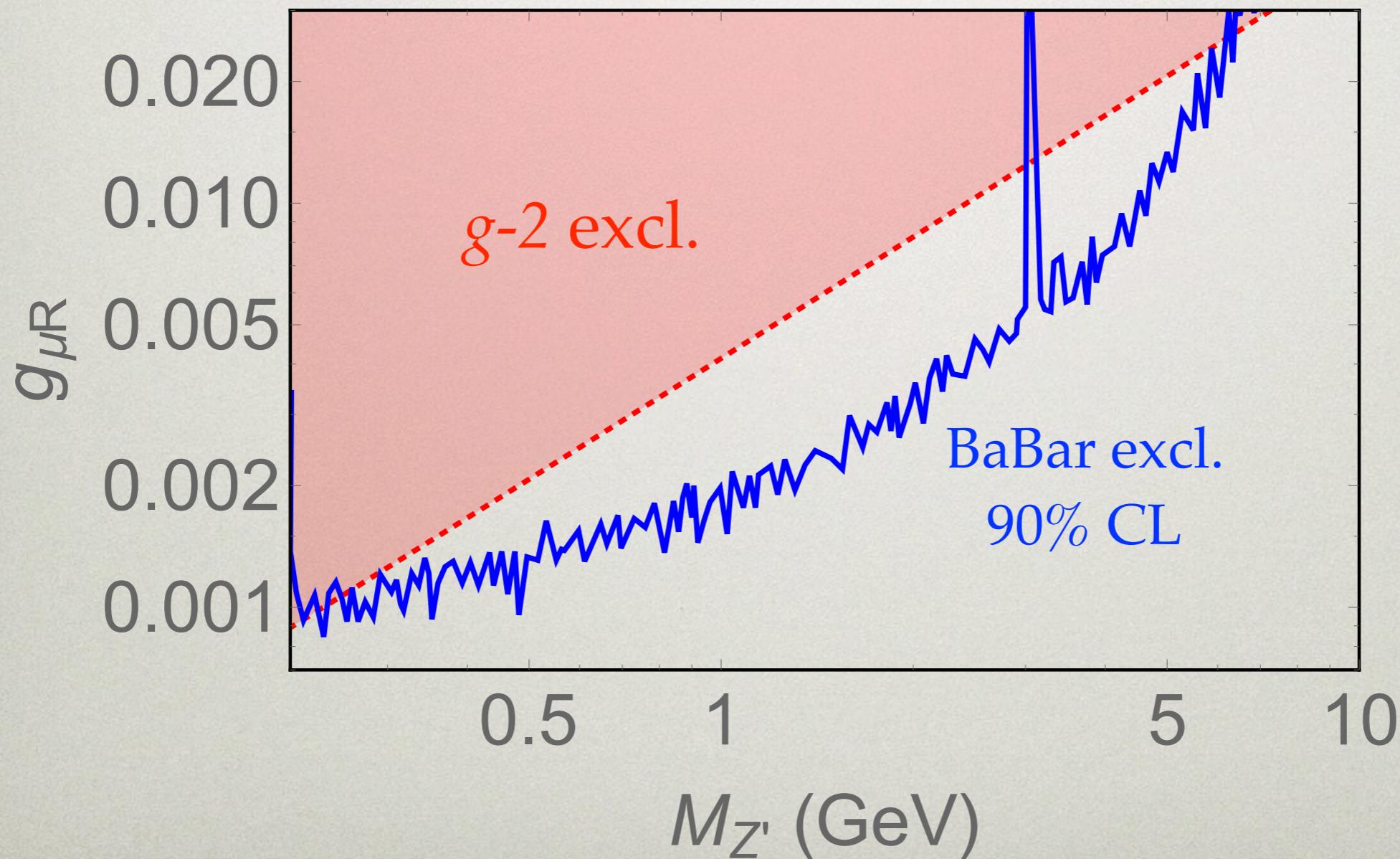
# **Back-up slides**

# Hidden-Sector Connections?



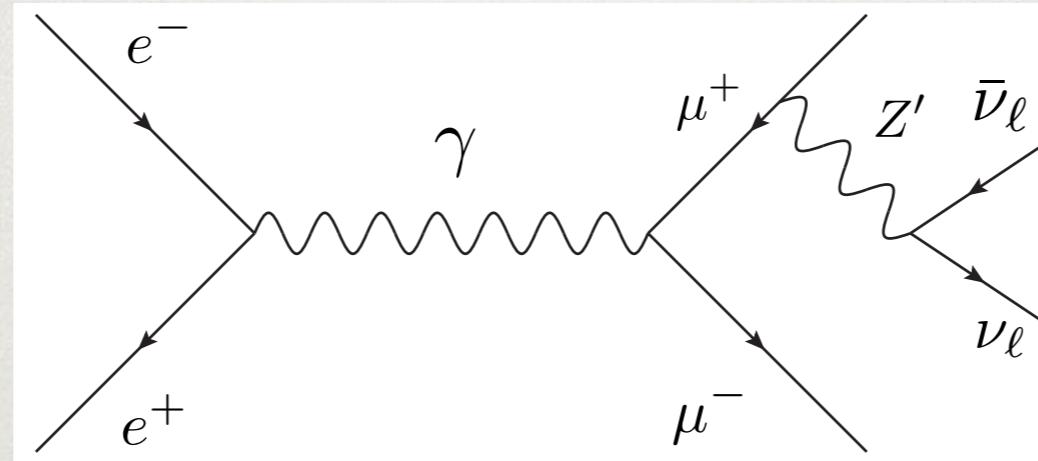
# Dark Muonic Force - Limits

Model-independent limit: easily apply to other models



# (Very) Dark Muonic Force

- What about below the muon threshold?



- Looks kind of like mis-reconstructed dimuon production...
- Work in progress, but may have to wait for Belle II/NA64
- Could be promising at BaBar for  $Z'$  decays to dark matter

# The Leptonic Higgs Portal

- Example of UV complete model: leptophilic 2HDM+singlet
- Can separate IR and UV constraints, and UV constraints can be alleviated with more involved model

Batell *et al.*, 1606.04943

