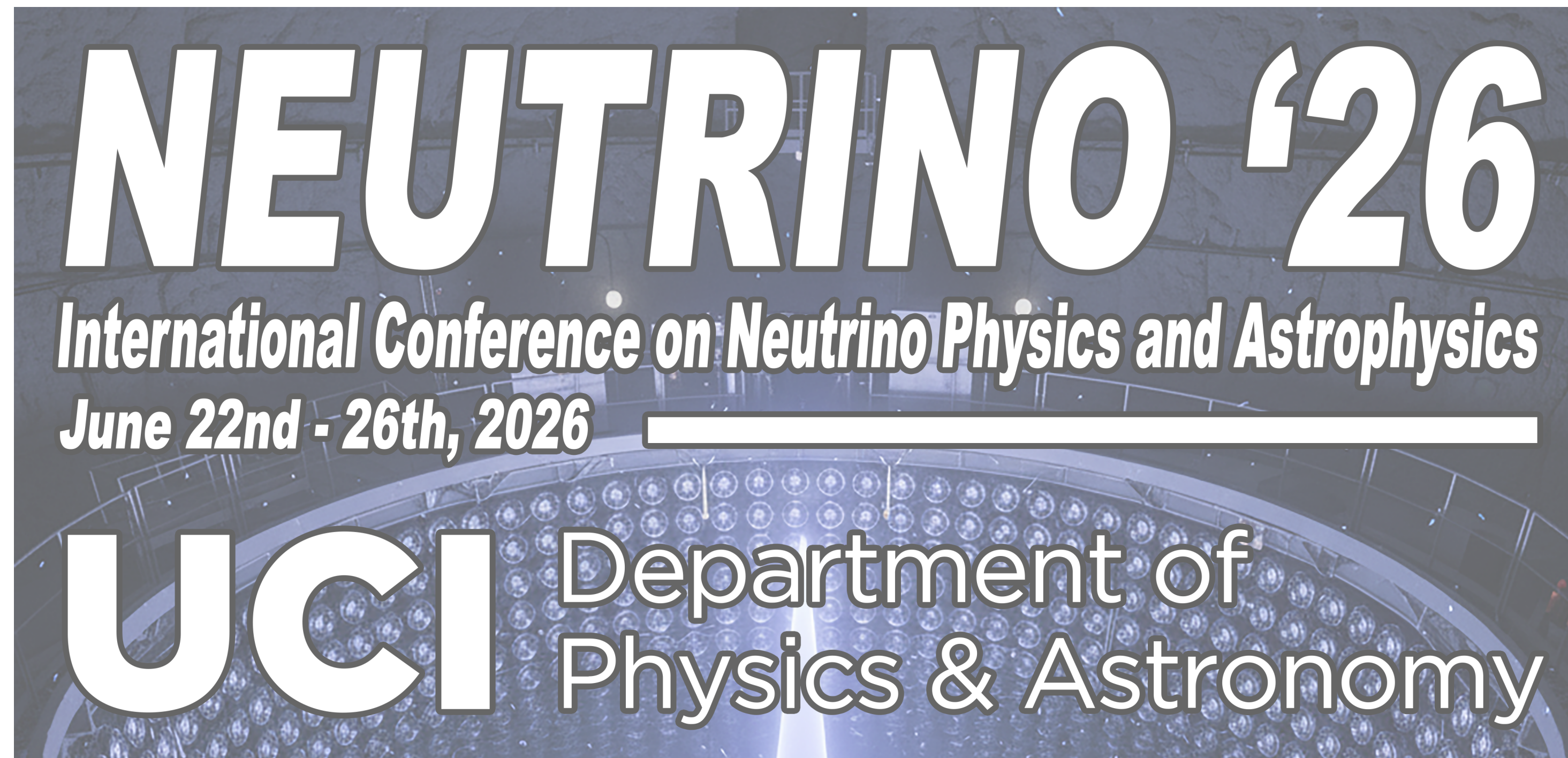


# Neutrino Non-Standard Interactions (NSI)

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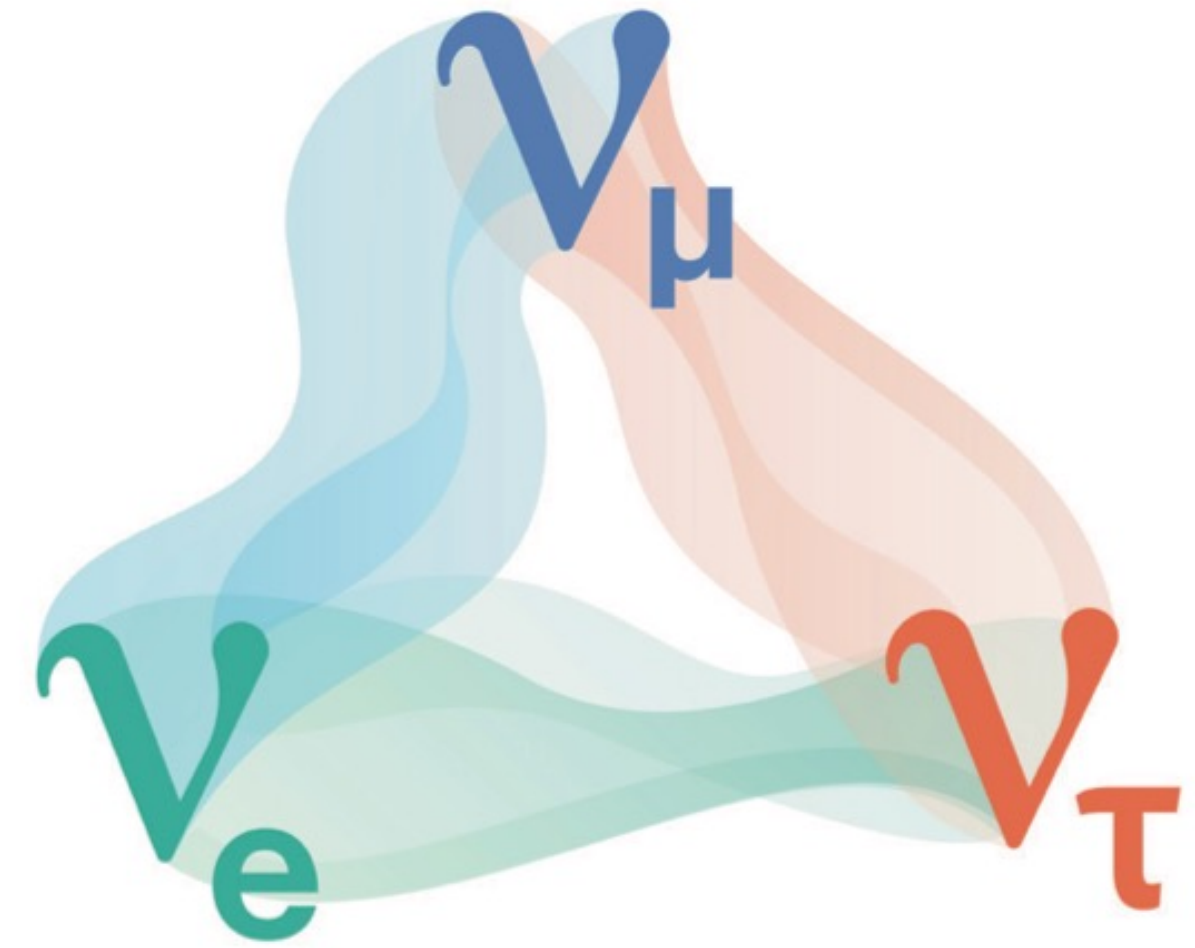
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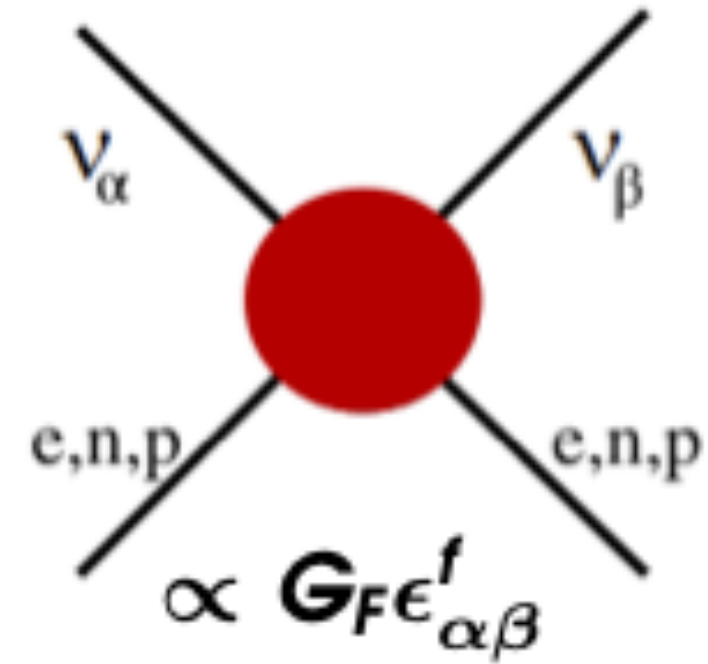
# Why NSI?

**Neutrino Oscillations  $\implies$  Nonzero Neutrino Mass  $\implies$  BSM Physics**



- Must introduce new fermions, scalars, and/or gauge bosons.
- New couplings involving neutrinos (beyond the standard weak interactions).
- Could affect neutrino propagation in matter, production, and/or detection.
- **At the very least, could serve as a foil for the standard 3-neutrino oscillation paradigm.**
- Better understanding of NSI is crucial for the correct interpretation of the oscillation data.
- **Could open a new window into BSM physics.**
  
- > 500 papers on NSI phenomenology. Apologies if your favorite paper(s) not included here.
- For a more comprehensive review, see e.g. [Ohlsson, 1209.2710](#); [Miranda, Nunokawa, 1505.06254](#); [Farzan, Tortola, 1710.09360](#); [BD et al, 1907.00991](#); [Snowmass Whitepaper, 2203.10811](#)

# Neutral Current (Matter) NSI



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NSI}}^{\text{NC}} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F \sum_{f,X,\alpha,\beta} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fX} (\bar{\nu}_\alpha \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_\beta) (\bar{f} \gamma_\mu P_X f)$$

Wolfenstein (PRD '78)

with  $X = L, R$ , and  $f \in \{e, u, d\}$ .

- Only vector part is relevant (axial-vector part is spin-dependent):

$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} = \sum_{f \in \{e, u, d\}} \frac{N_f}{N_e} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fV} = \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{eV} + (2 + Y_n) \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{uV} + (1 + 2Y_n) \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{dV}$$

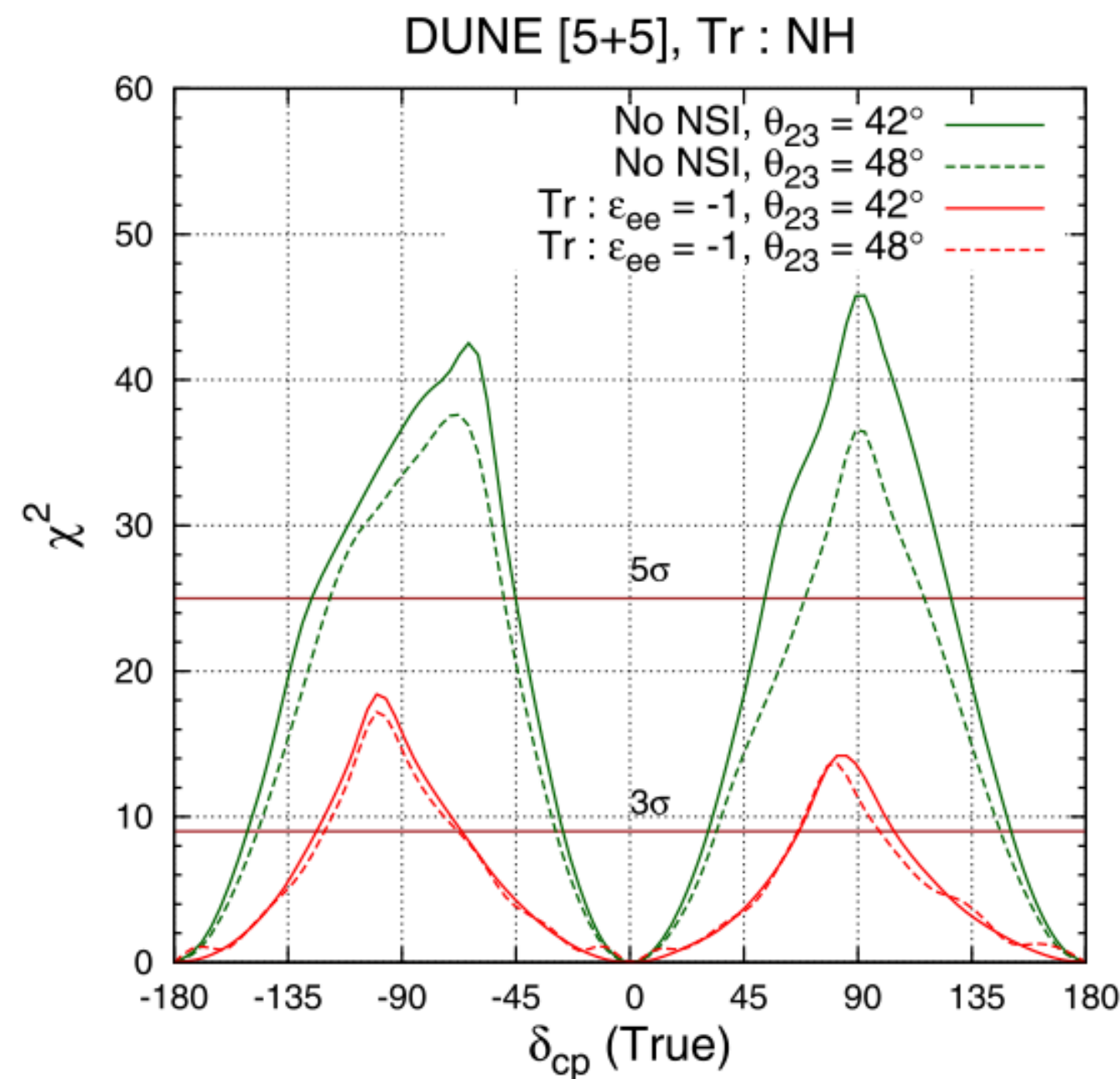
with  $\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fV} = \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fL} + \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fR}$  and  $Y_n = N_n/N_e \simeq 1$  for Earth.

- Leads to additional matter effect in propagation:

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = \left| \langle \nu_\beta | e^{-i(H + V_{\text{NSI}})L} | \nu_\alpha \rangle \right|^2, \quad \text{where} \quad V_{\text{NSI}} = \sqrt{2}G_F N_e \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{ee} & \epsilon_{e\mu} & \epsilon_{e\tau} \\ \epsilon_{e\mu}^* & \epsilon_{\mu\mu} & \epsilon_{\mu\tau} \\ \epsilon_{e\tau}^* & \epsilon_{\mu\tau}^* & \epsilon_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

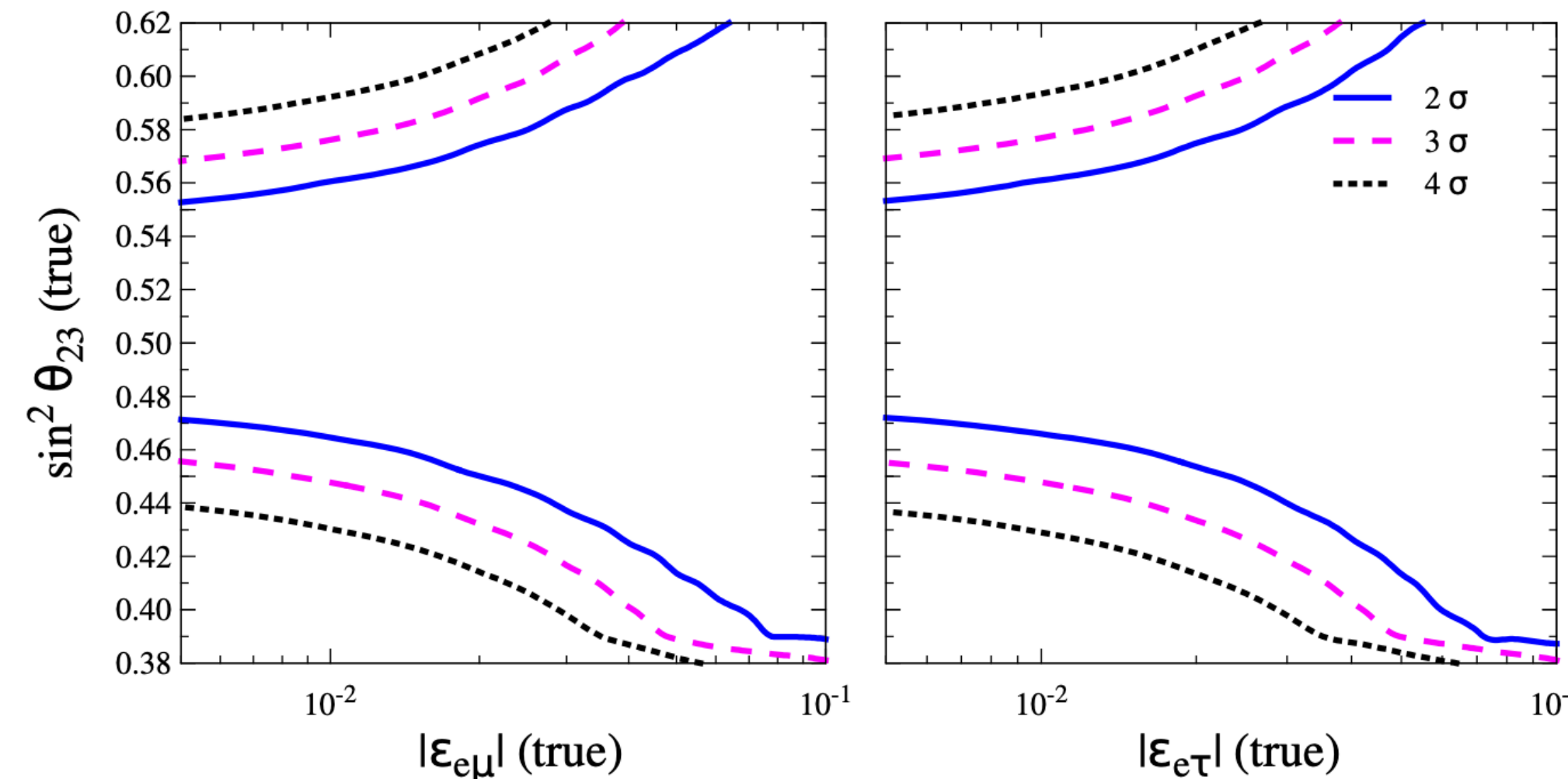


# Can Degrade Discovery Potential of LBNE



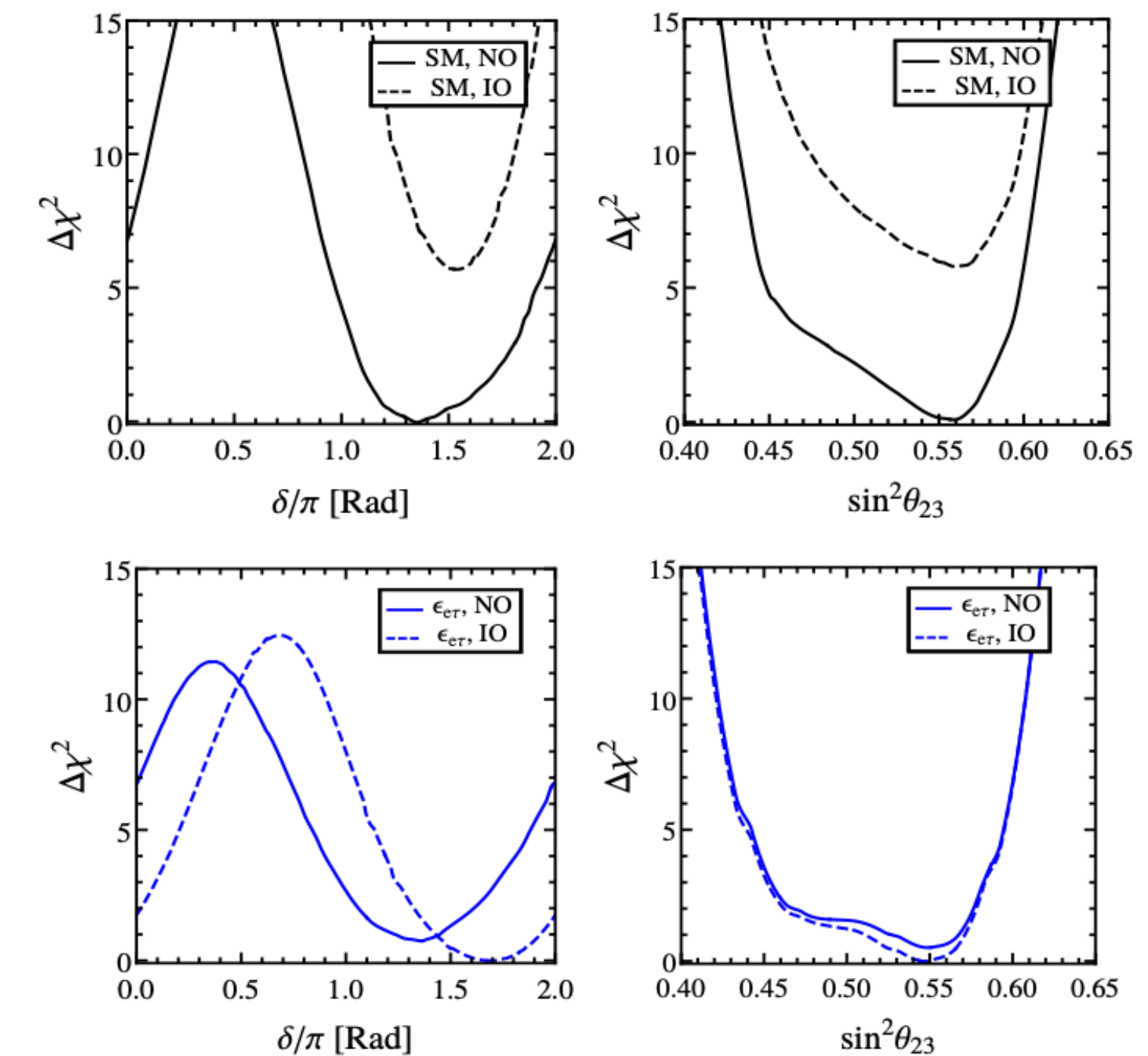
$\delta_{CP}$  at DUNE

Deepthi, Goswami, Nath, [1711.04840](#)



Octant at DUNE

Agarwalla, Chatterjee, Palazzo, [1607.01745](#)



Mass Ordering at T2K+NOvA

Capozzi, Chatterjee, Palazzo, [1908.06992](#)

Information from other oscillation experiments (solar, atmospheric, reactor, MINOS) and COHERENT data can break the degeneracy.

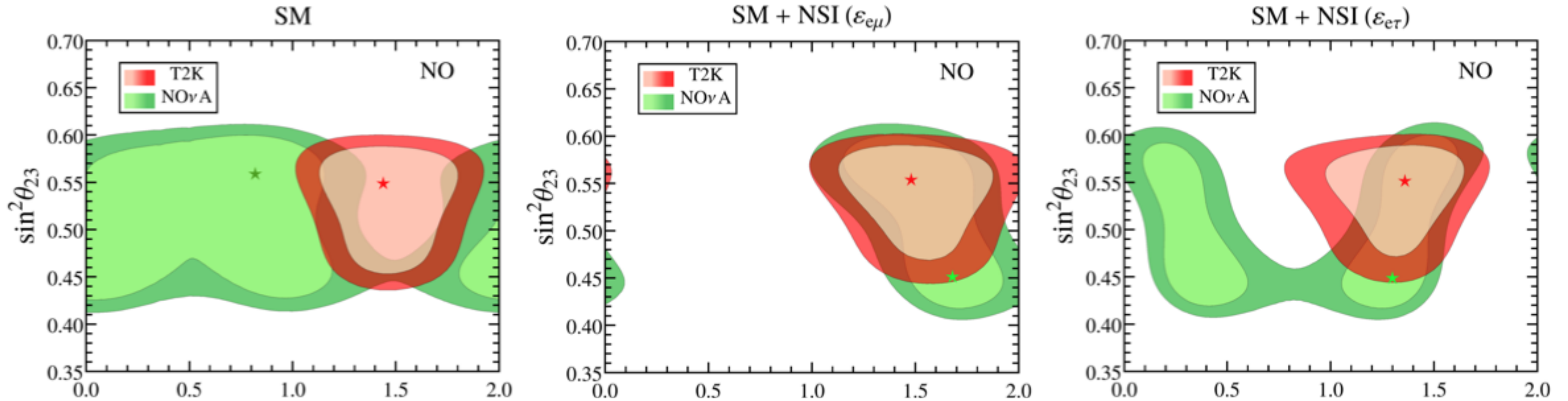
Esteban, Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, [2004.04745](#)

# Can Solve the T2K-NOvA Tension

For latest NOvA updates, see posters by M. Acero, G. Davies, X. Huang.

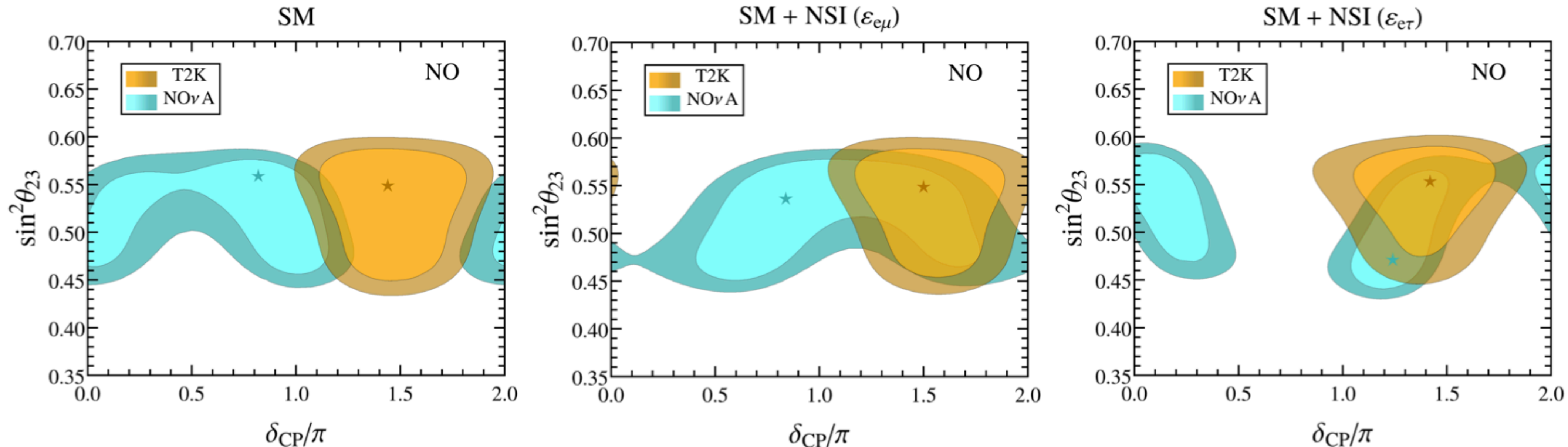
## 2020 status

Chatterjee, Palazzo, [2008.04161](#); see also Denton, Gehrlein, Pestes, [2008.01110](#)

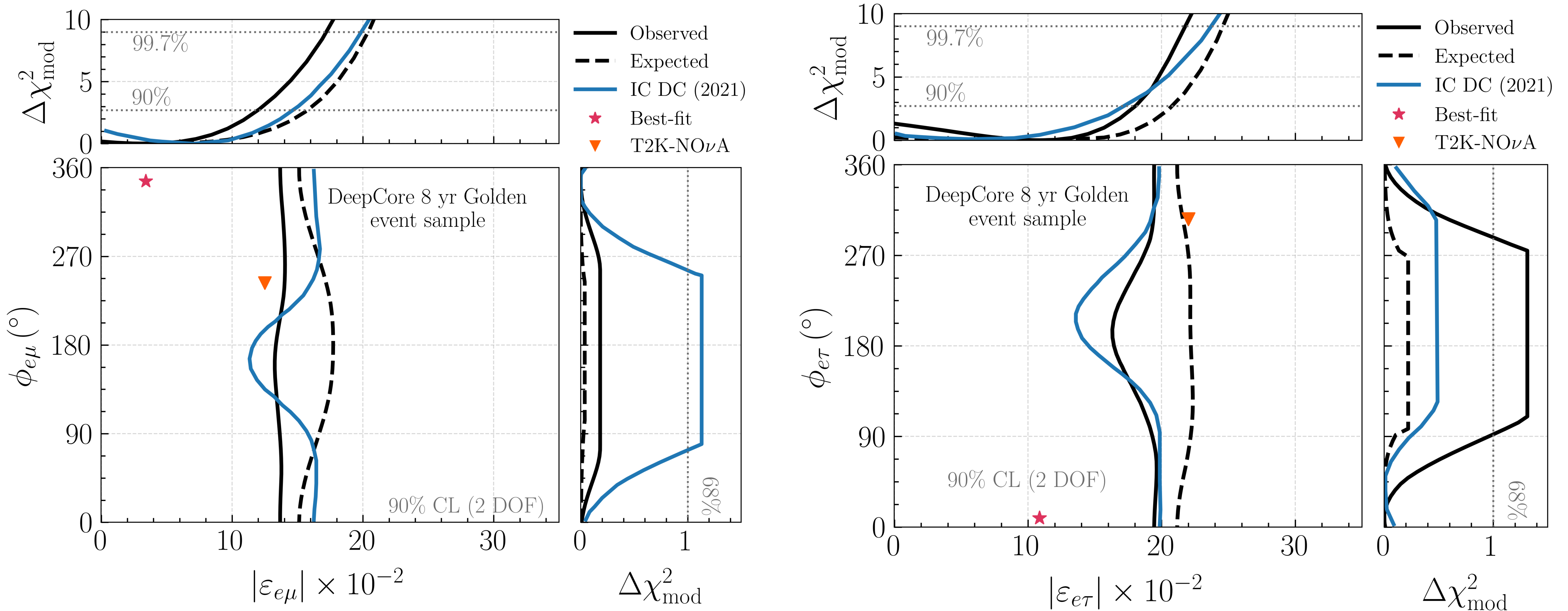


## 2024 update

Chatterjee, Palazzo, [2409.10599](#); see also Cherchiglia *et al*, [2310.18401](#); Goswami *et al*, [2512.00172](#)



# New Constraints from IceCube DeepCore



Krishnamoorthi, Kumar, Agarwalla, [2512.22632](#), [2604.16157](#); see also [2601.22374](#)

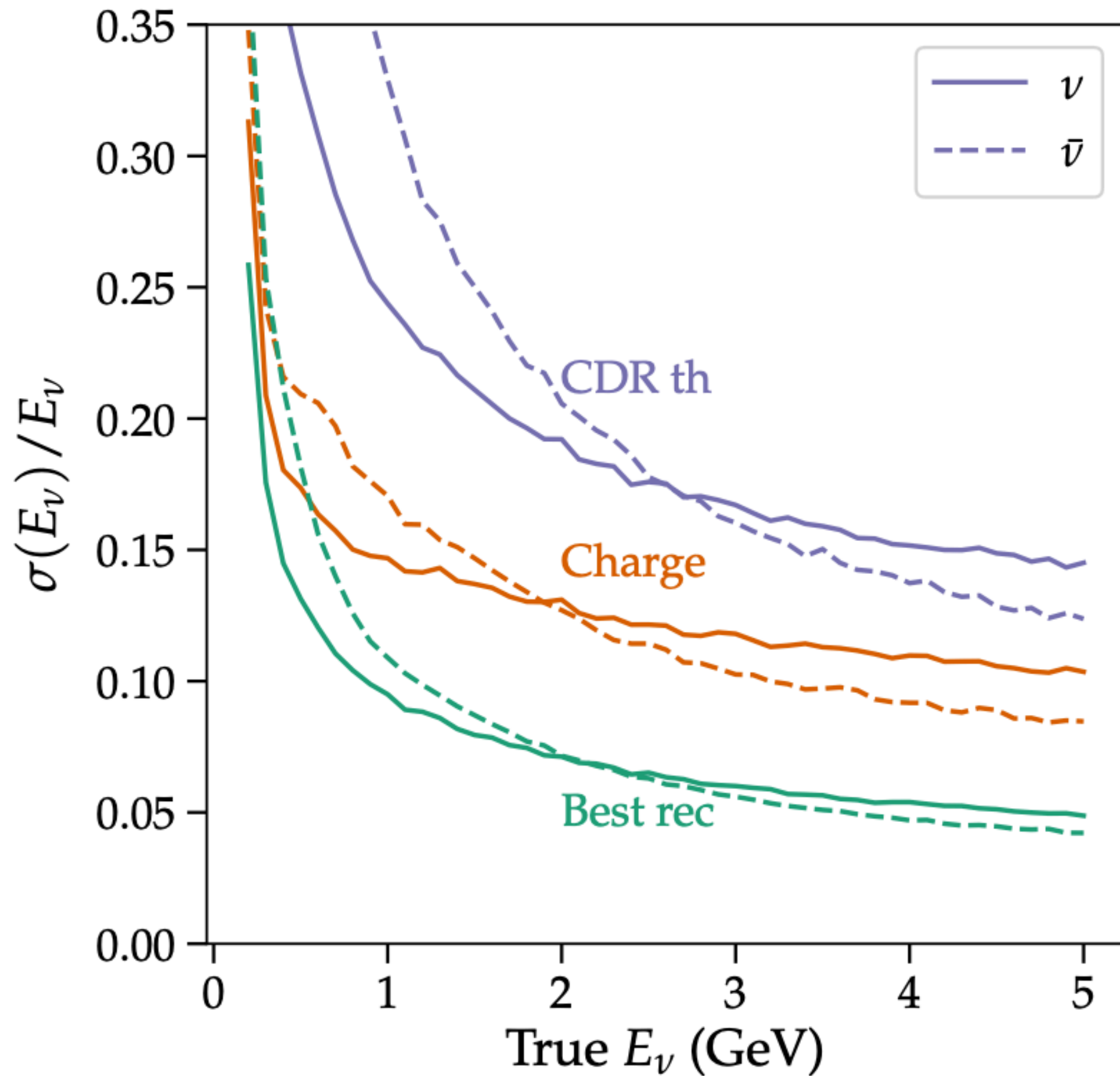
# DUNE Sensitivity

de Gouvea, Kelly, [1511.05562](#); Coloma, [1511.06357](#);

Blennow *et al*, [1606.08851](#); Liao, Marfatia, Whisnant, [1612.01443](#);

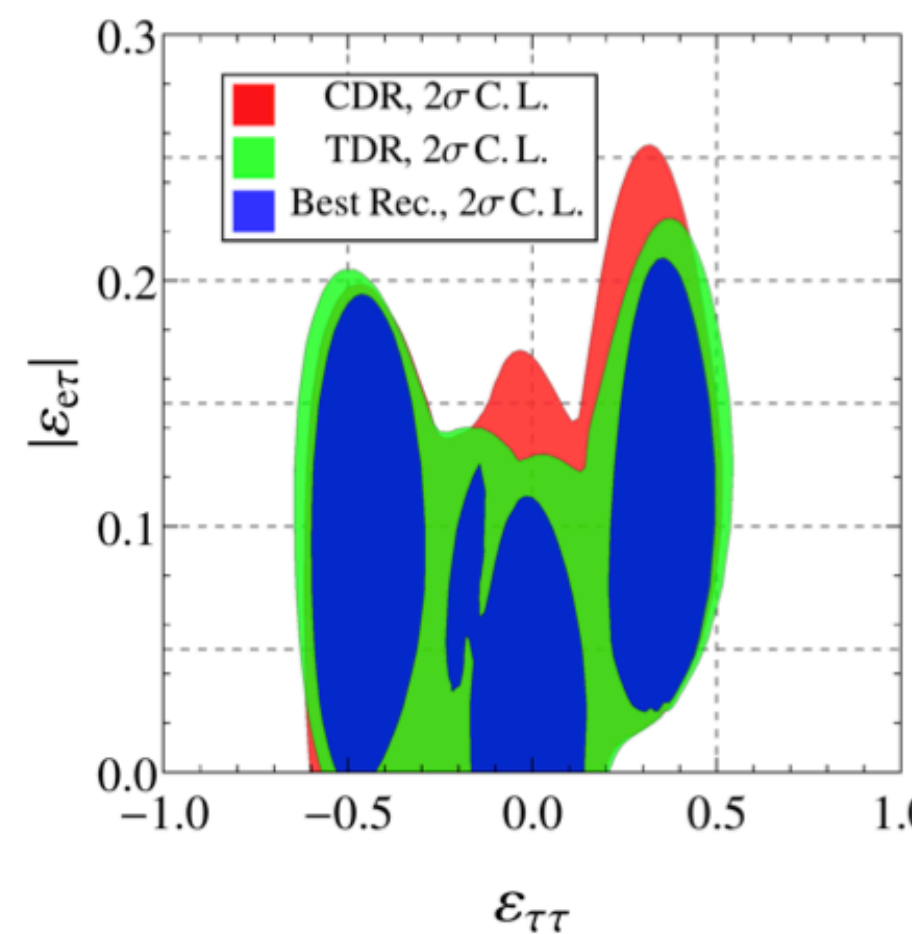
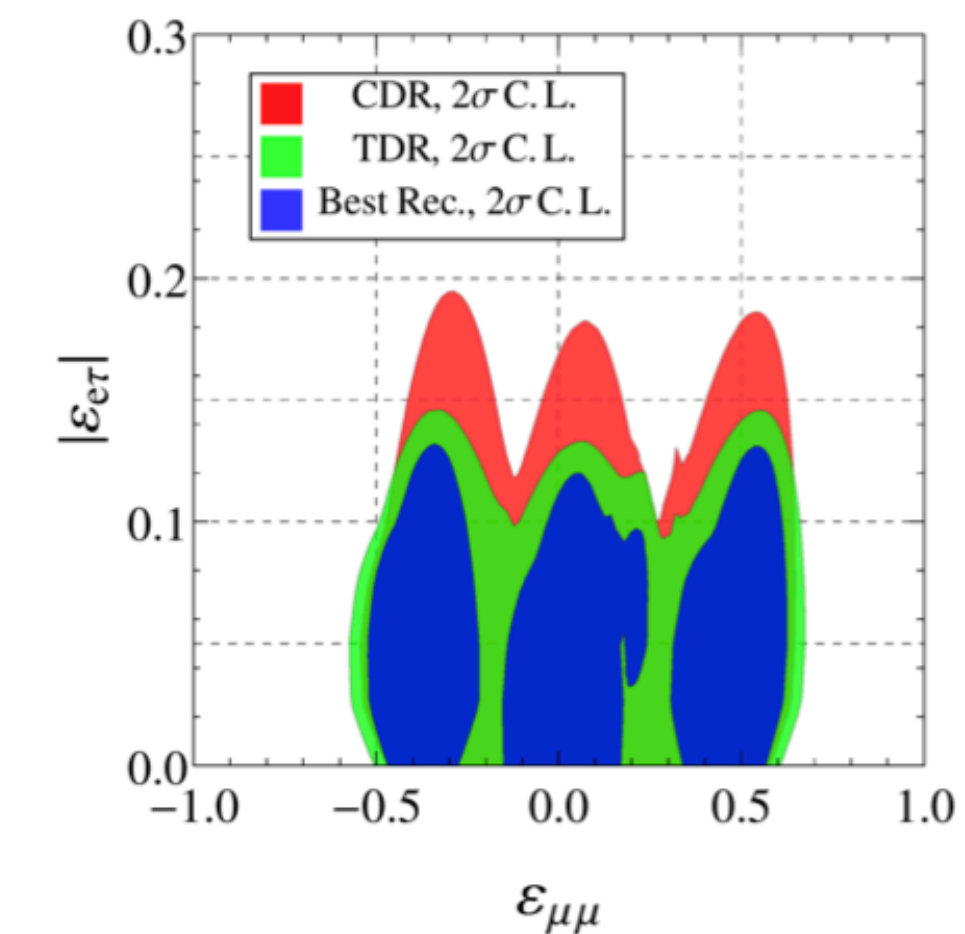
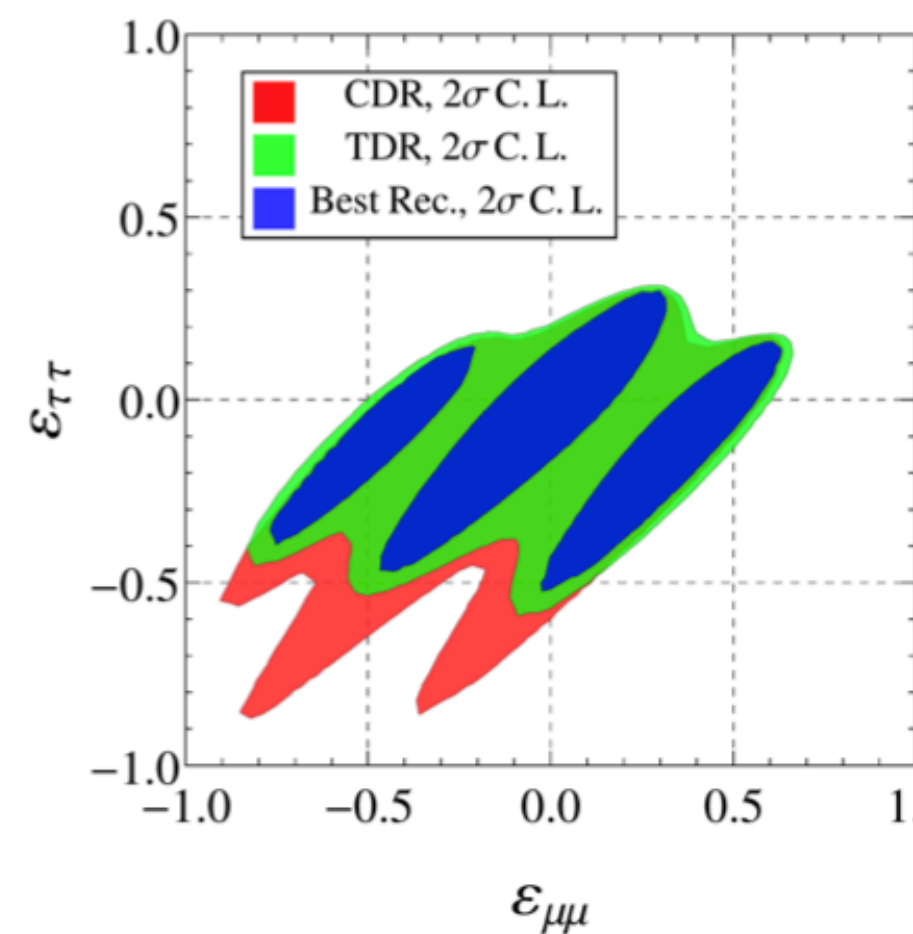
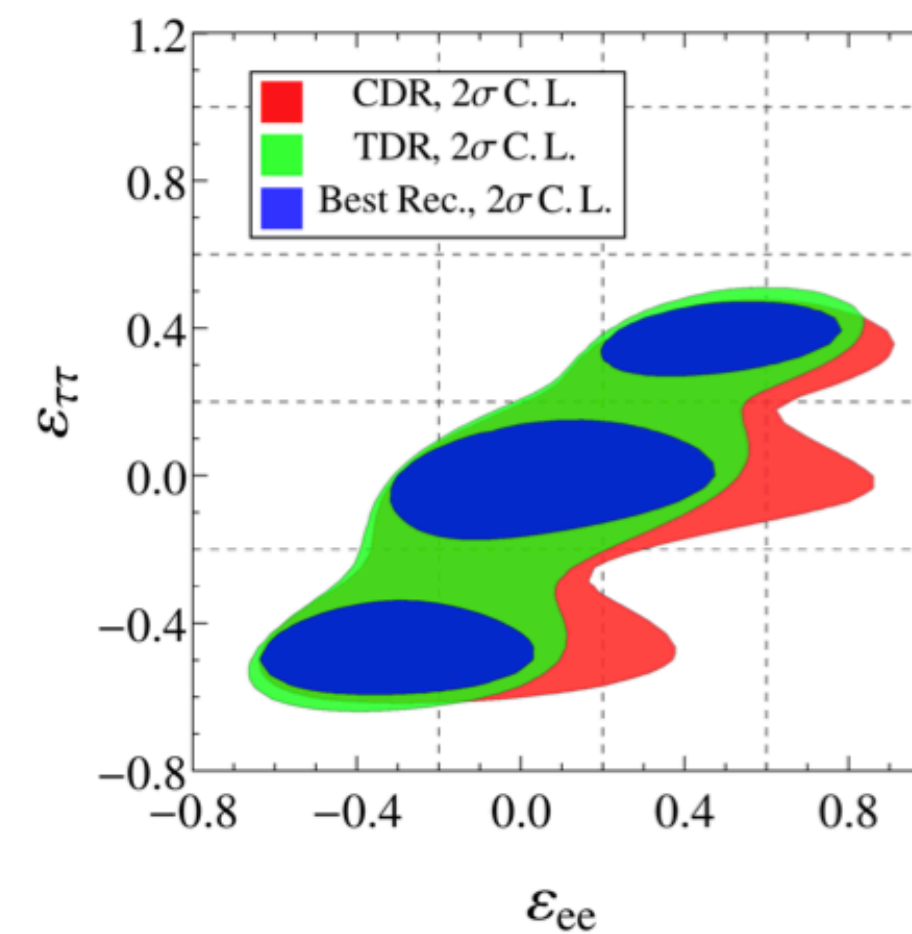
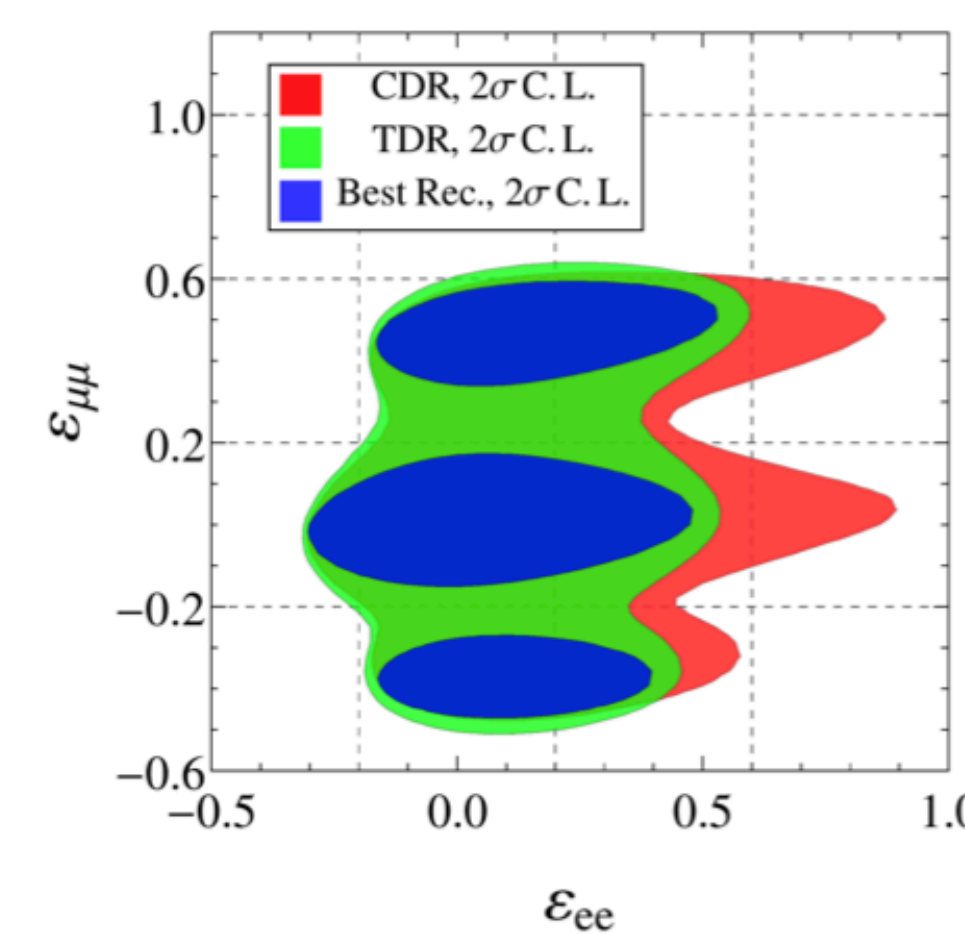
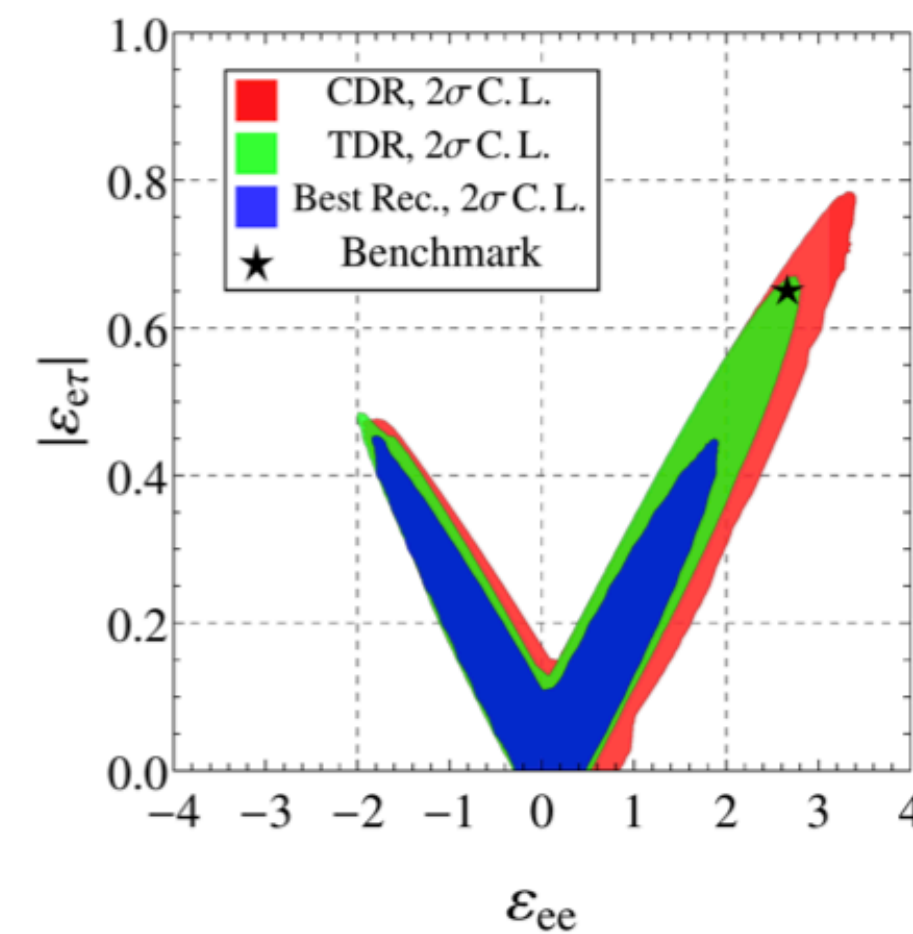
Chatterjee *et al*, [1809.09313](#); Han *et al*, [1910.03272](#); ...

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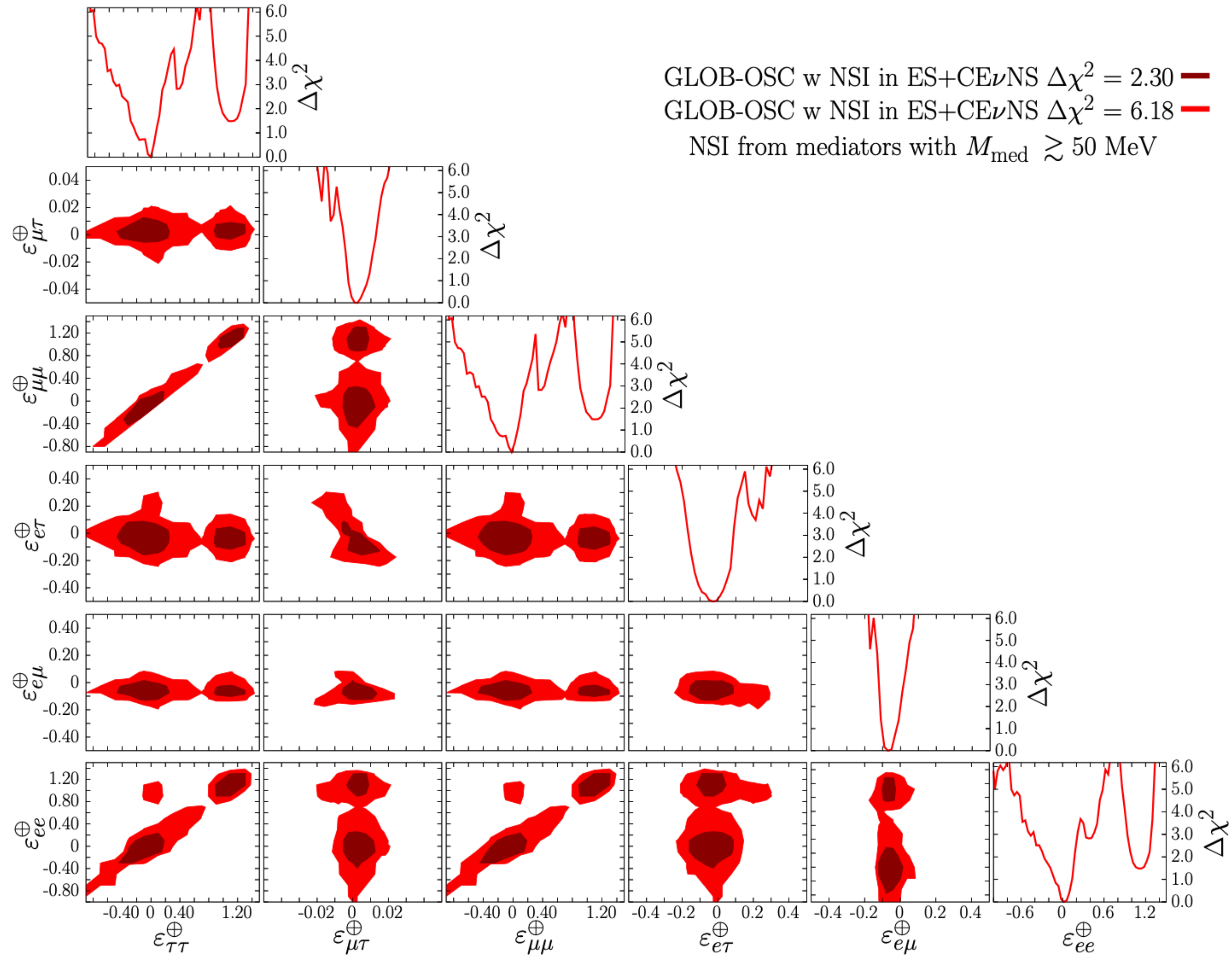
With improved energy resolution

Friedland, Li, [1811.06159](#)



# Global Fit Constraints

Coloma, Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Pinheiro, Urrea, [2305.07698](#);  
See also Coloma *et al*, [2411.00090](#) for a global SMEFT fit



# Charged Current NSI

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NSI}}^{\text{CC}} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{ff'X} (\bar{\nu}_\alpha \gamma^\mu P_L \ell_\beta) (\bar{f}' \gamma_\mu P_X f)$$

Grossman, [hep-ph/9507344](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9507344)

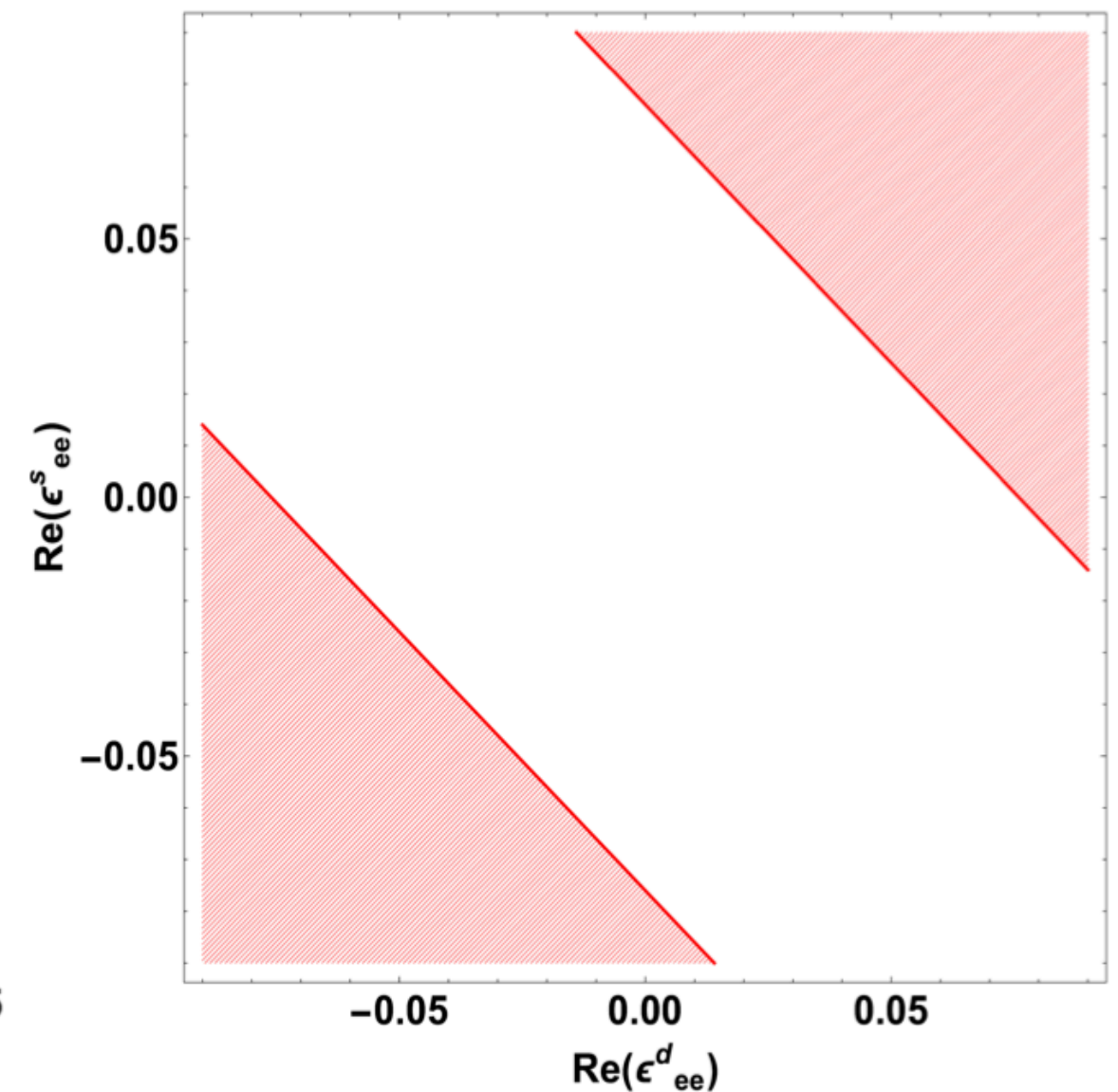
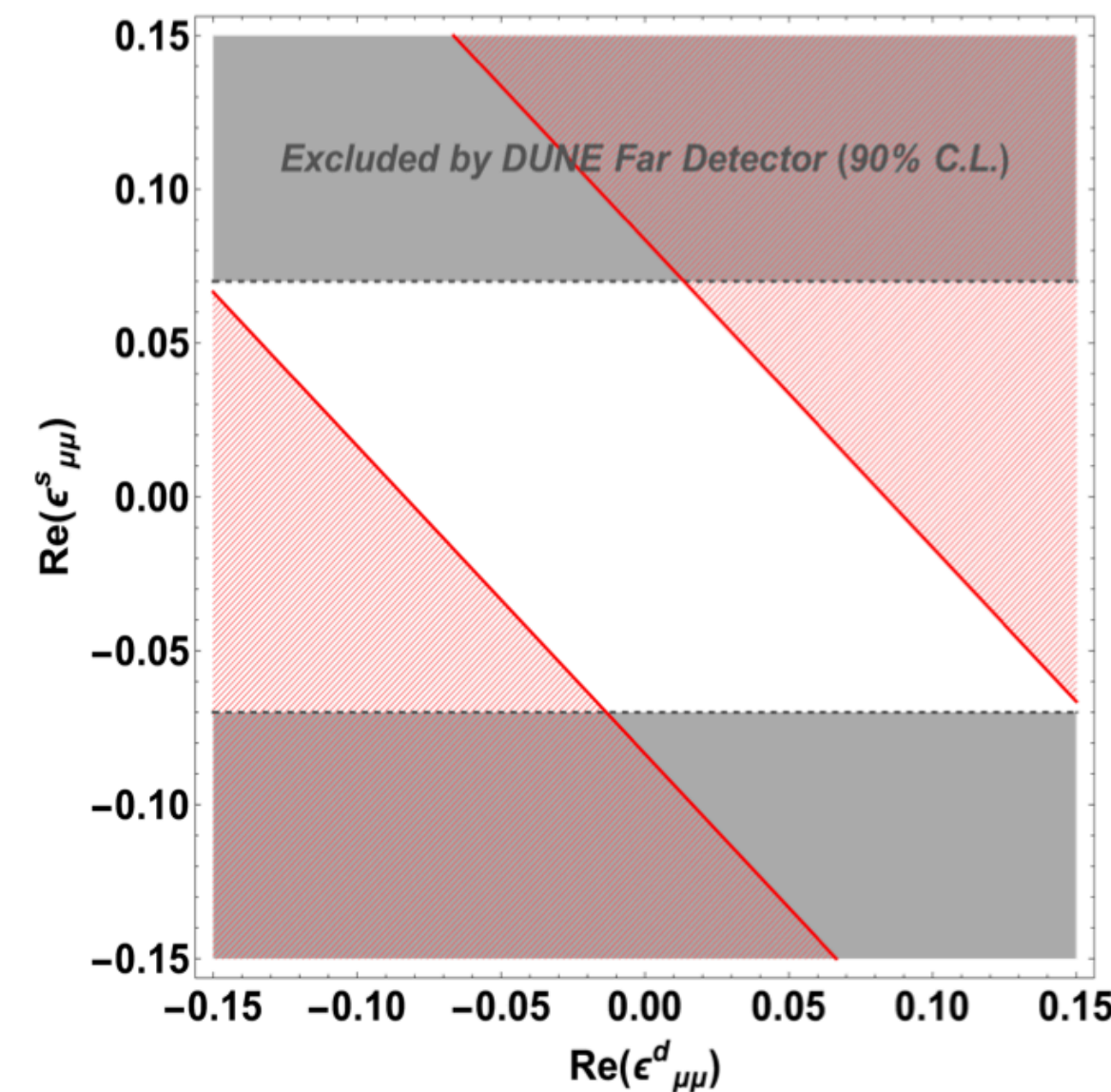
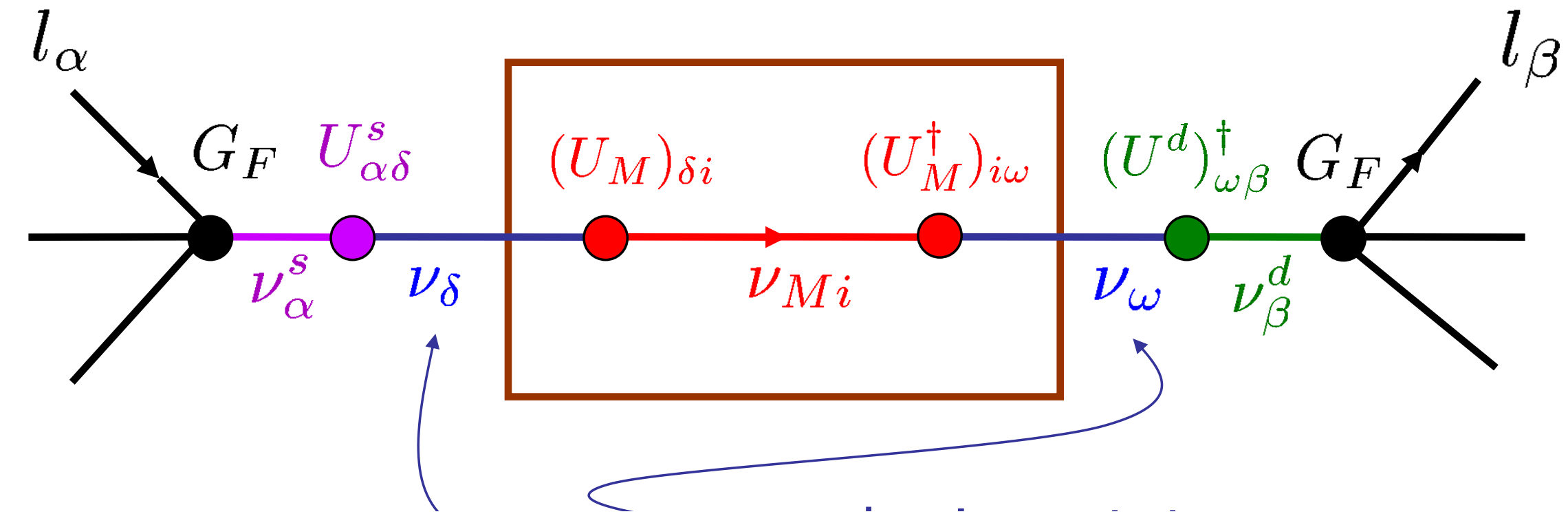
- Modifies neutrino flavor at source or detector:

$$|\nu_\alpha^s\rangle = |\nu_\alpha\rangle + \sum_{\beta=e,\mu,\tau} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^s |\nu_\beta\rangle, \quad \text{e.g. } \pi^+ \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{e\mu}^s} \mu^+ \nu_e$$

$$\langle \nu_\alpha^d | = \langle \nu_\alpha | + \sum_{\beta=e,\mu,\tau} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta}^d \langle \nu_\beta |, \quad \text{e.g. } \nu_\tau n \xrightarrow{\varepsilon_{e\tau}^d} e^- p$$

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = \left| \langle \nu_\beta^d | e^{-iHL} | \nu_\alpha^s \rangle \right|^2$$

- Zero-distance effect:  $P_{\alpha\beta} \neq \delta_{\alpha\beta}$  for  $L \rightarrow 0$ .
- Near Detector facilities capable of probing this parameter space down to a few % level.

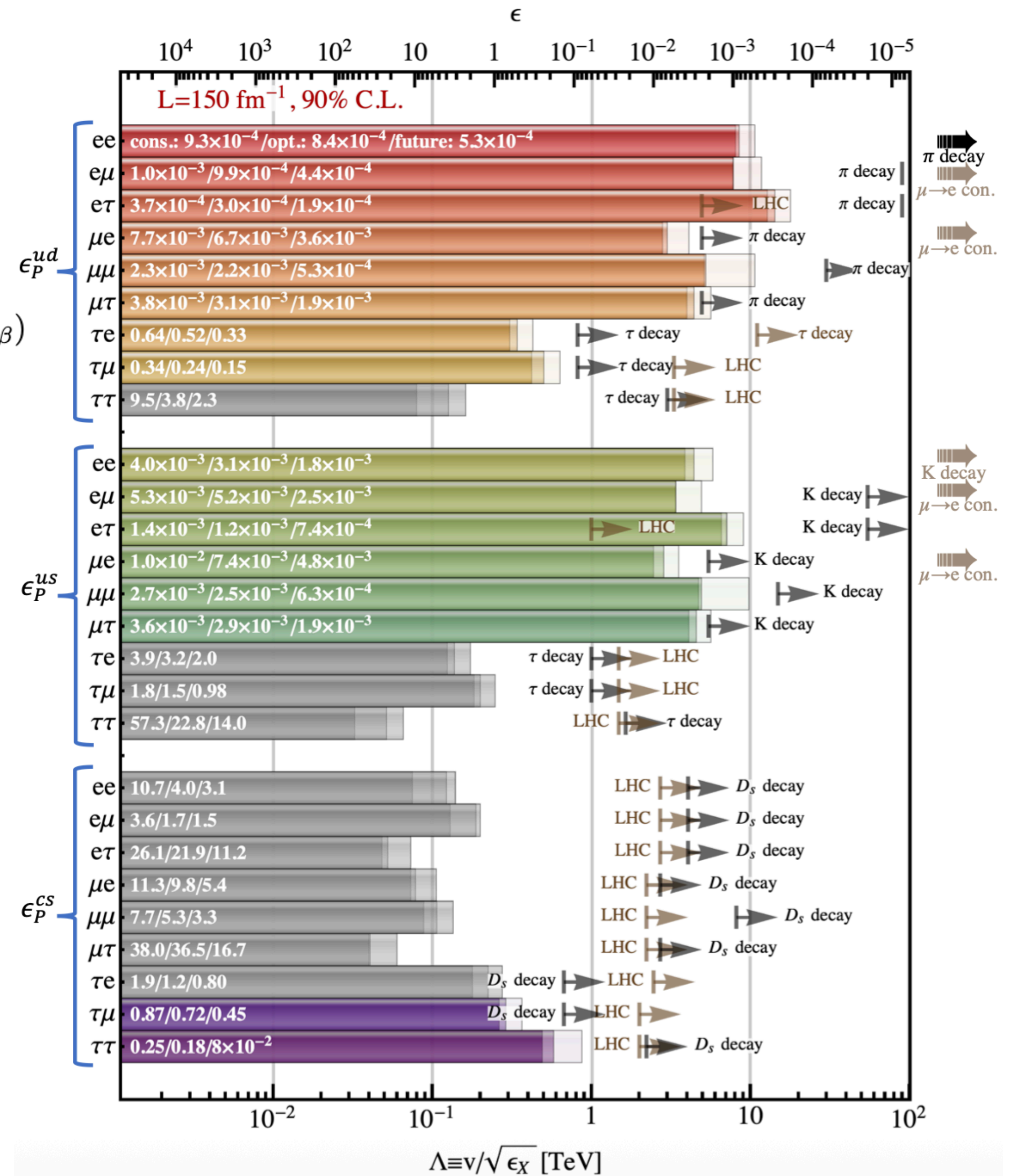
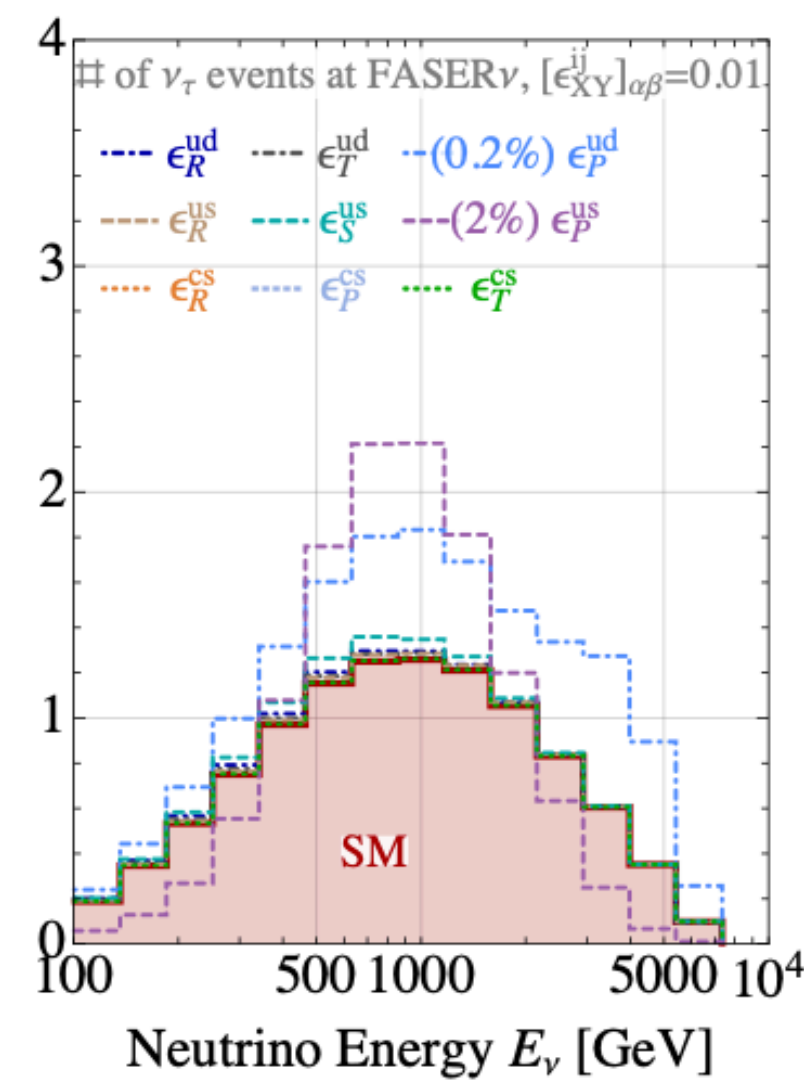
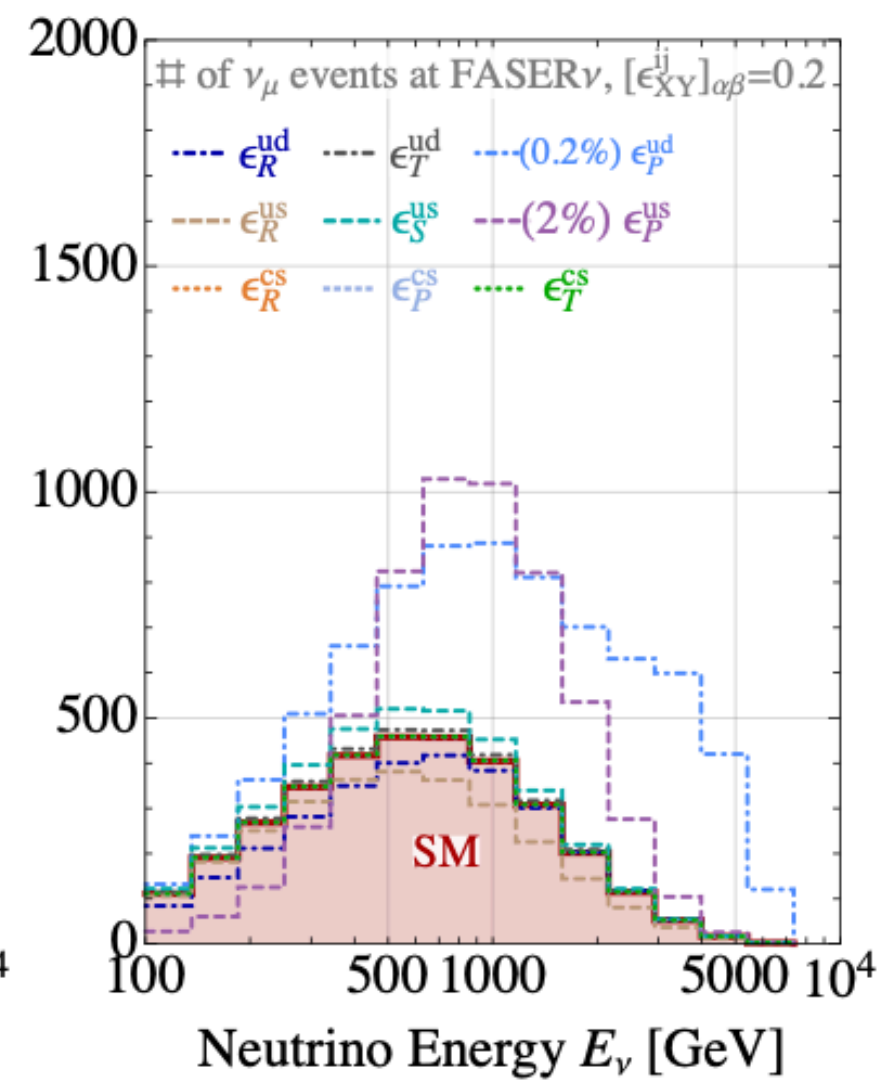
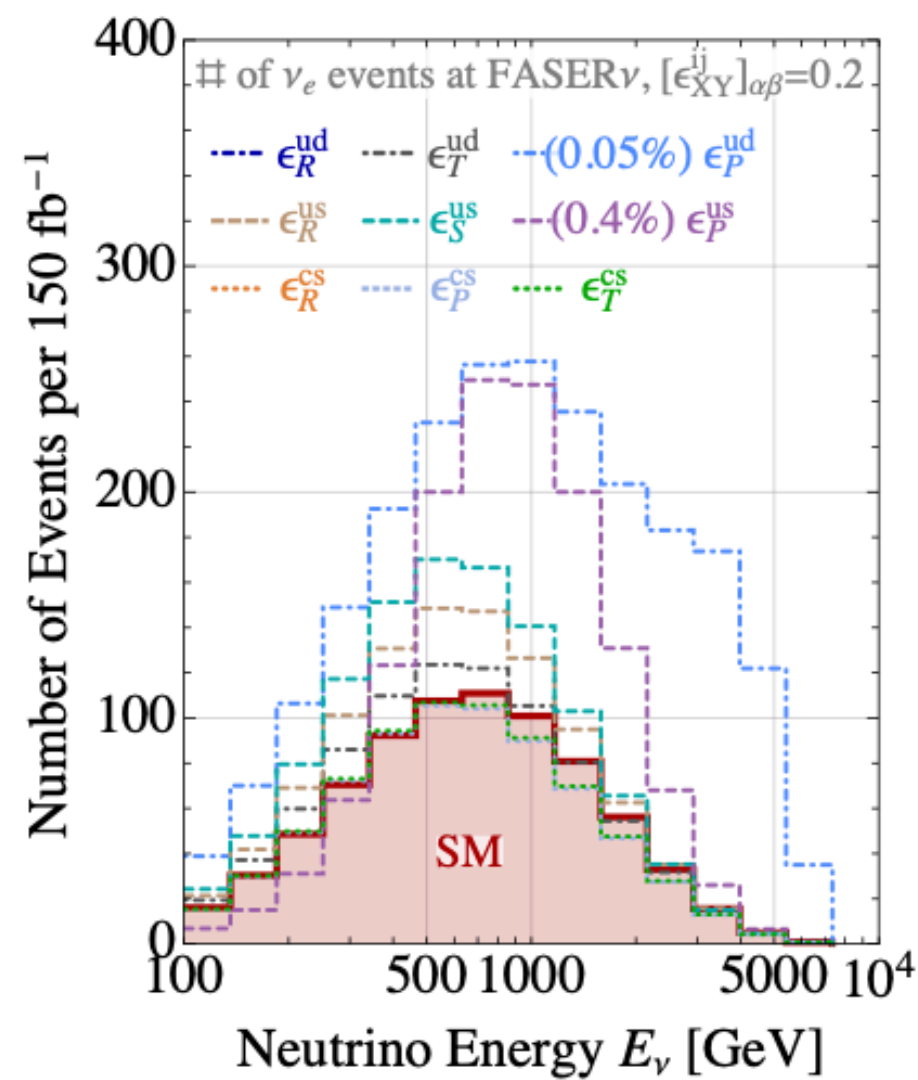


Blennow *et al*, [1507.02868](https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.02868); Coloma *et al*, [2411.00090](https://arxiv.org/abs/2411.00090)

Giarnetti, Meloni, [2005.10272](https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.10272)

# Collider Constraints

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{WEFT}} \supset -\frac{2V_{jk}}{v^2} \left\{ [1 + \epsilon_L^{jk}]_{\alpha\beta} (\bar{u}^j \gamma^\mu P_L d^k) (\bar{\ell}_\alpha \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_\beta) + [\epsilon_R^{jk}]_{\alpha\beta} (\bar{u}^j \gamma^\mu P_R d^k) (\bar{\ell}_\alpha \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_\beta) \right. \\ + \frac{1}{2} [\epsilon_S^{jk}]_{\alpha\beta} (\bar{u}^j d^k) (\bar{\ell}_\alpha P_L \nu_\beta) - \frac{1}{2} [\epsilon_P^{jk}]_{\alpha\beta} (\bar{u}^j \gamma_5 d^k) (\bar{\ell}_\alpha P_L \nu_\beta) \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4} [\epsilon_T^{jk}]_{\alpha\beta} (\bar{u}^j \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_L d^k) (\bar{\ell}_\alpha \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_L \nu_\beta) + \text{h.c.} \right\}.$$



Falkowski, González-Alonso, Kopp, Soreq, Tabrizi, [2105.12136](https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.12136)



# NSI Model Building

● Can we have 'large' NSI  $\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$  in a realistic UV-complete model?

● From EFT, we expect  $\varepsilon \sim \frac{g_{\text{NP}}^2 m_W^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2}$ .

● Two regimes to realize  $\varepsilon \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$ :

- **Heavy mediator:**  $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \gtrsim m_W$  and  $g_{\text{NP}} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ .

- **Light mediator:**  $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \ll m_W$  and  $g_{\text{NP}} \ll 1$ , but  $\frac{g_{\text{NP}}^2}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2} \sim \mathcal{O}(G_F)$ .

● **Main challenge is that restoring  $SU(2)_L$  gauge invariance in general imposes stringent constraints on NSI.** Antusch *et al*, [0807.1003](#); Gavela *et al*, [0809.3451](#); Biggio *et al*, [0907.0097](#)

● This is important to understand which kind of new physics the neutrino experiments are probing when model-independent NSI constraints are presented.

● Can then use NSI to probe neutrino mass physics.



# NSI in Tree-Level Neutrino Mass Models

3N-SS	Normal Ordering	
	68%CL	95%CL
$\eta_{ee} = \frac{ \theta_e ^2}{2}$	$[0.28, 0.99] \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$\eta_{\mu\mu} = \frac{ \theta_\mu ^2}{2}$	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$
$\eta_{\tau\tau} = \frac{ \theta_\tau ^2}{2}$	$[0.3, 3.9] \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$\text{Tr}[\eta] = \frac{ \theta ^2}{2}$	$[0.35, 1.3] \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.9 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$ \eta_{e\mu}  = \frac{ \theta_e \theta_\mu^* }{2}$	$8.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$
$ \eta_{e\tau}  = \frac{ \theta_e \theta_\tau^* }{2}$	$[1.3, 5.1] \cdot 10^{-4}$	$9.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$ \eta_{\mu\tau}  = \frac{ \theta_\mu \theta_\tau^* }{2}$	$5.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$5.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$

Type-I seesaw

NSI is related to non-unitarity.

[Blennow et al, 2306.01040](#)

Decay	Constraint on	Bound
$\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$	$ \varepsilon_{ee}^{e\mu} $	$3.5 \times 10^{-7}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$	$ \varepsilon_{ee}^{e\tau} $	$1.4 \times 10^{-4}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	$ \varepsilon_{\mu\mu}^{\mu\tau} $	$1.2 \times 10^{-4}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ e^-$	$ \varepsilon_{e\mu}^{e\tau} $	$1.0 \times 10^{-4}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+ \mu^-$	$ \varepsilon_{\mu e}^{\mu\tau} $	$1.0 \times 10^{-4}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	$ \varepsilon_{\mu\mu}^{e\tau} $	$1.0 \times 10^{-4}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ \mu^-$	$ \varepsilon_{\mu e}^{e\tau} $	$9.9 \times 10^{-5}$
$\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$	$ \sum_\alpha \varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{e\mu} $	$2.6 \times 10^{-5}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$	$ \sum_\alpha \varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{e\tau} $	$1.8 \times 10^{-2}$
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \gamma$	$ \sum_\alpha \varepsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^{\mu\tau} $	$2.0 \times 10^{-4}$
$\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+$	$ \varepsilon_{\mu e}^{\mu e} $	$3.0 \times 10^{-3}$

Type-II seesaw

Strongly constrained by CLFV.

[Huitu et al, 1711.02971](#)

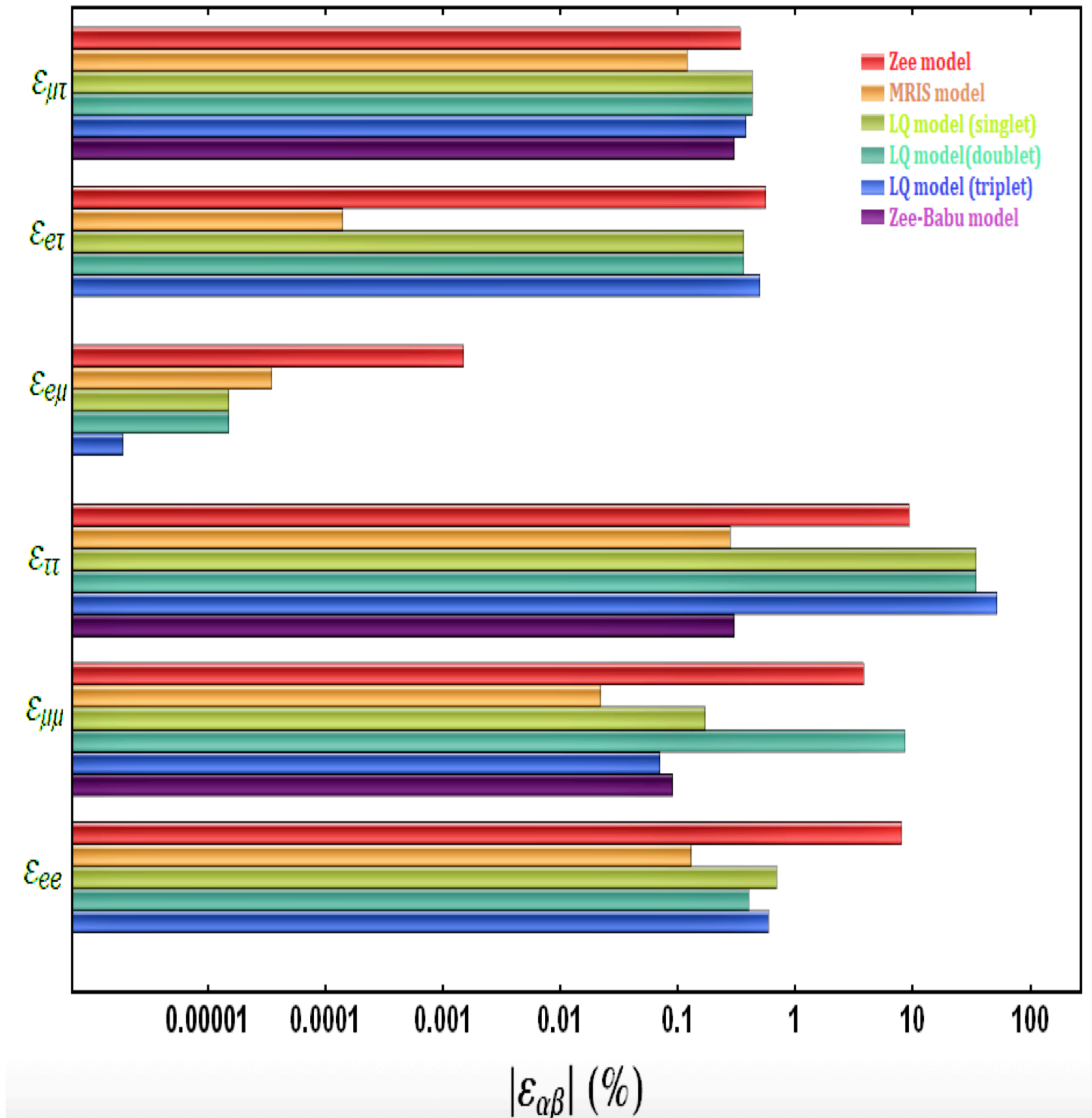


# NSI in Radiative Neutrino Mass Models

Particle Content	Lagrangian term
$\eta^+(1, 1, 1)$ or $h^+(1, 1, 1)$	$f_{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha L_\beta \eta^+$ or $f_{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha L_\beta h^+$
$\Phi(1, 2, \frac{1}{2}) = (\phi^+, \phi^0)$	$Y_{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha \ell_\beta^c \tilde{\Phi}$
$\Omega(3, 2, \frac{1}{6}) = (\omega^{2/3}, \omega^{-1/3})$	$\lambda_{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha d_\beta^c \Omega$
$\chi(3, 1, -\frac{1}{3})$	$\lambda'_{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha Q_\beta \chi^*$
$\bar{\rho}(\bar{3}, 3, \frac{1}{3}) = (\bar{\rho}^{4/3}, \bar{\rho}^{1/3}, \bar{\rho}^{-2/3})$	$\lambda''_{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha Q_\beta \bar{\rho}$
$\delta(3, 2, \frac{7}{6}) = (\delta^{5/3}, \delta^{2/3})$	$\lambda'''_{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha u_\beta^c \delta$
$\Delta(1, 3, 1) = (\Delta^{++}, \Delta^+, \Delta^0)$	$f'_{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha L_\beta \Delta$

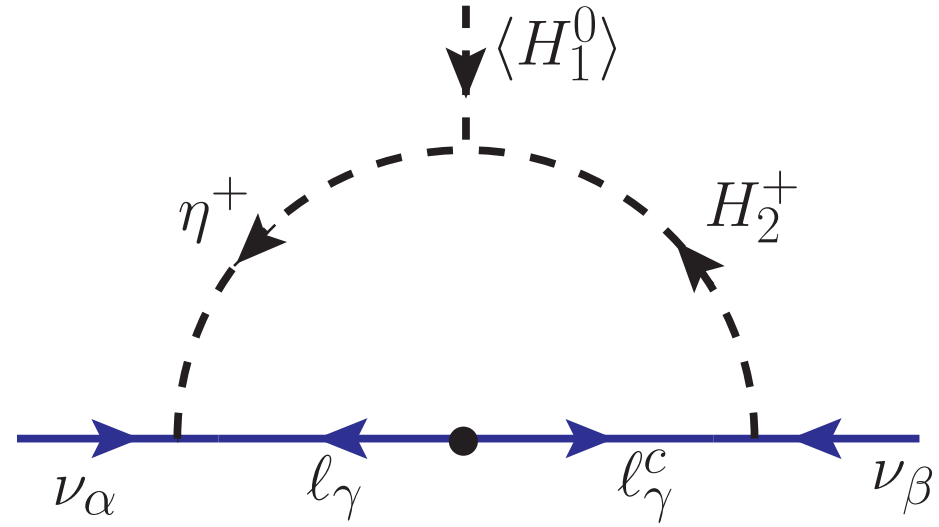
- Essentially covers all NSI possibilities with heavy mediators.
- Possible to get large diagonal NSI, but off-diagonal NSI constrained by CLFV.

Babu, BD, Jana, Thapa, [1907.09498](#)

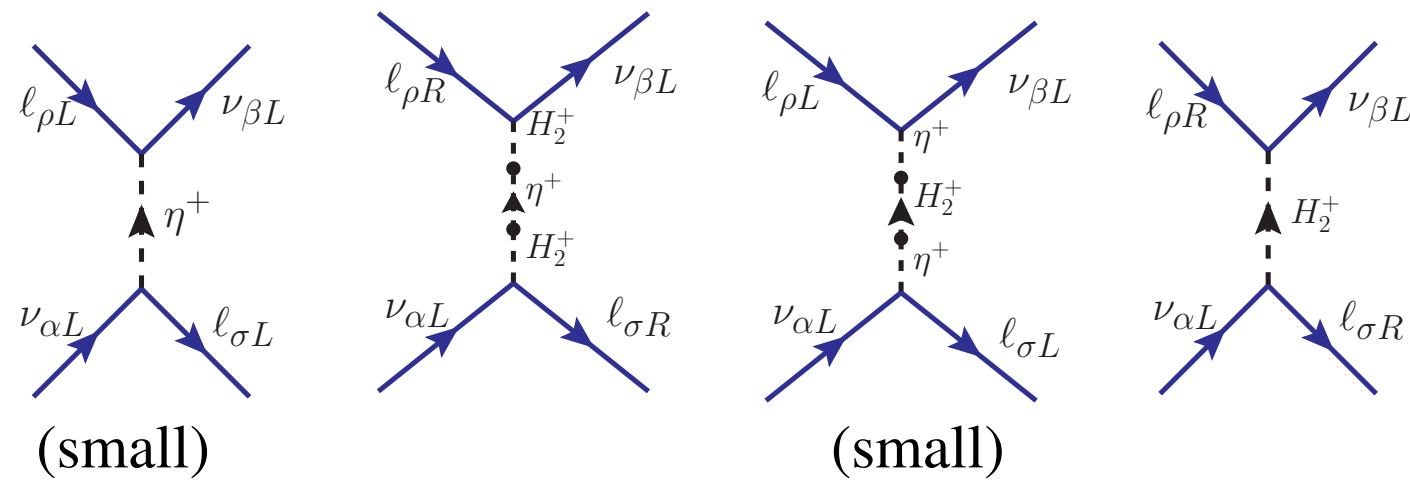


# Example: Zee Model

Zee (PLB '80)

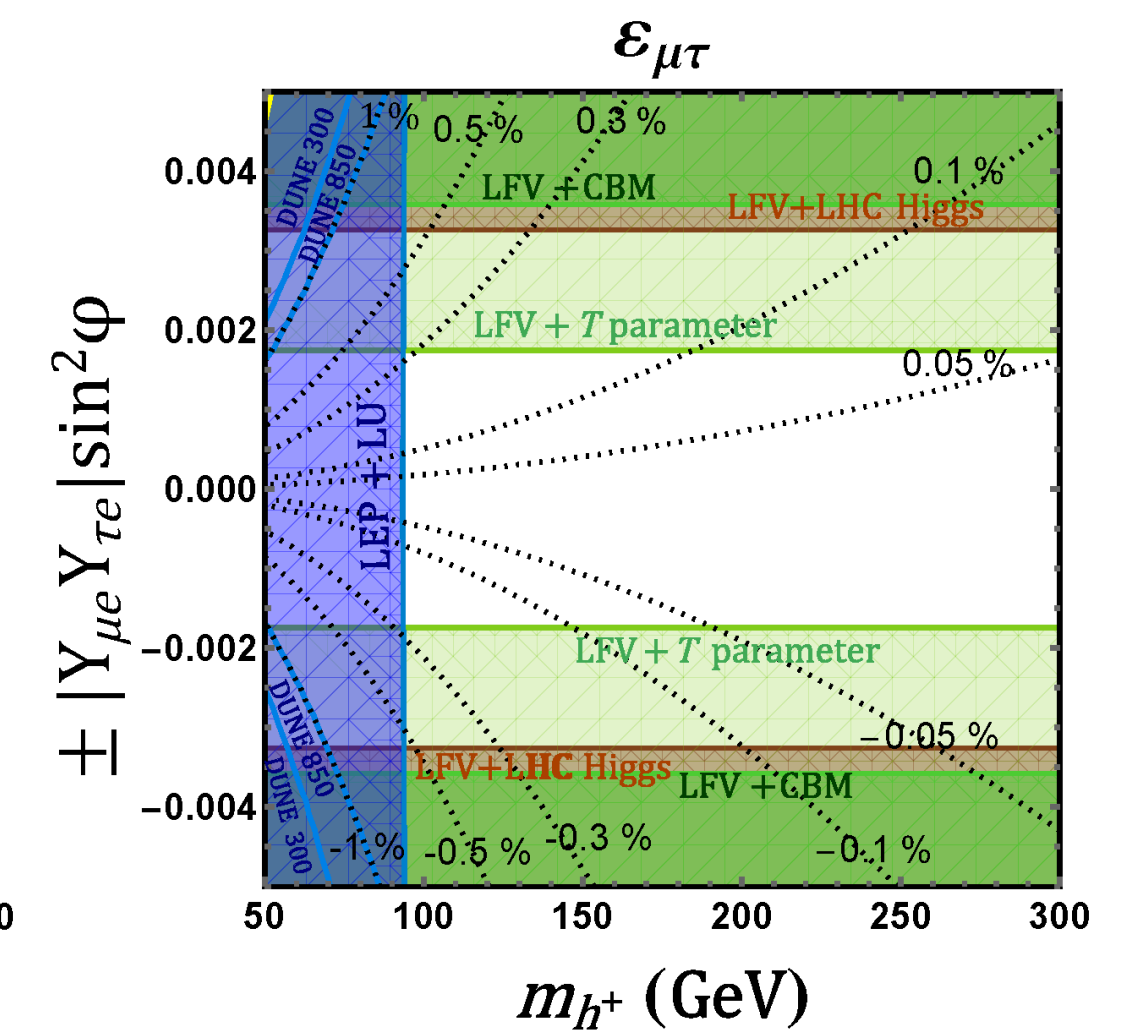
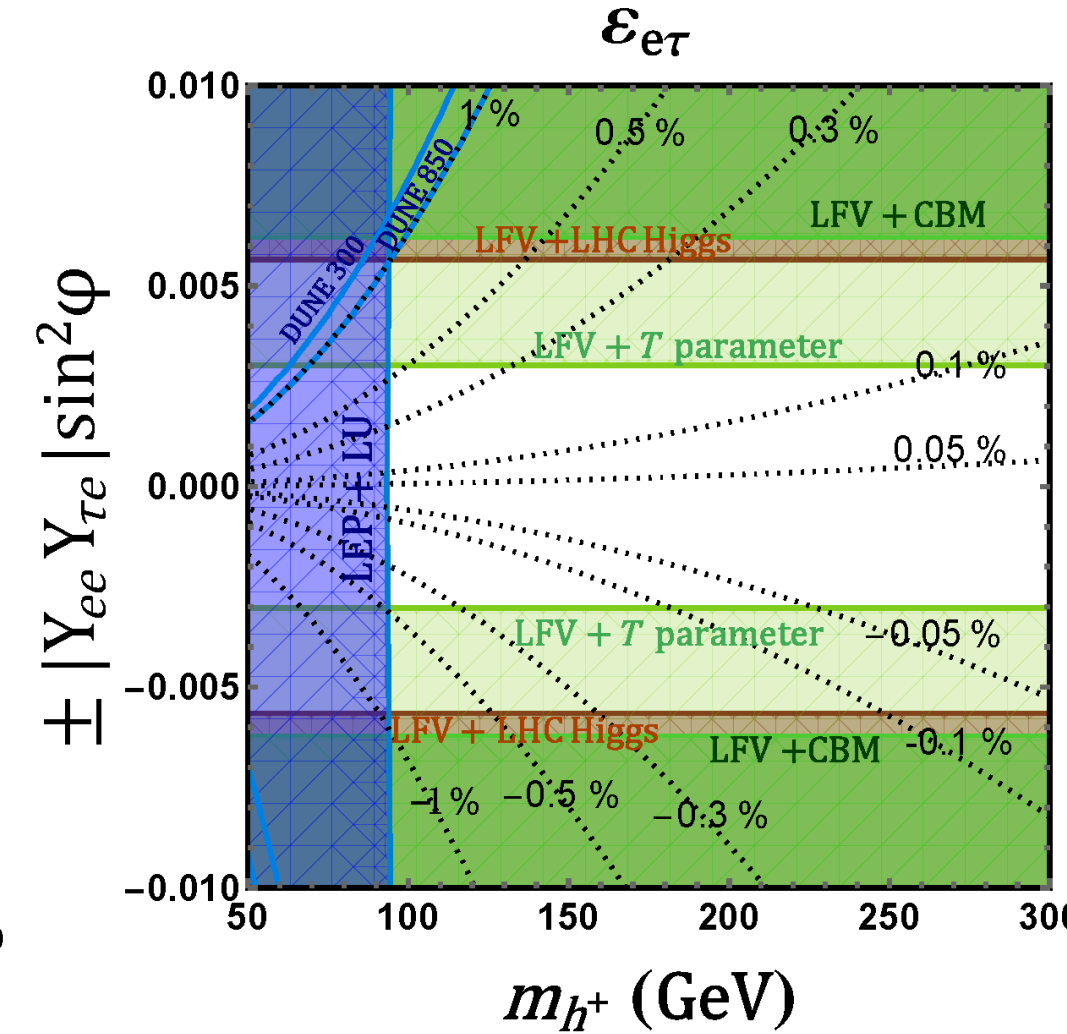
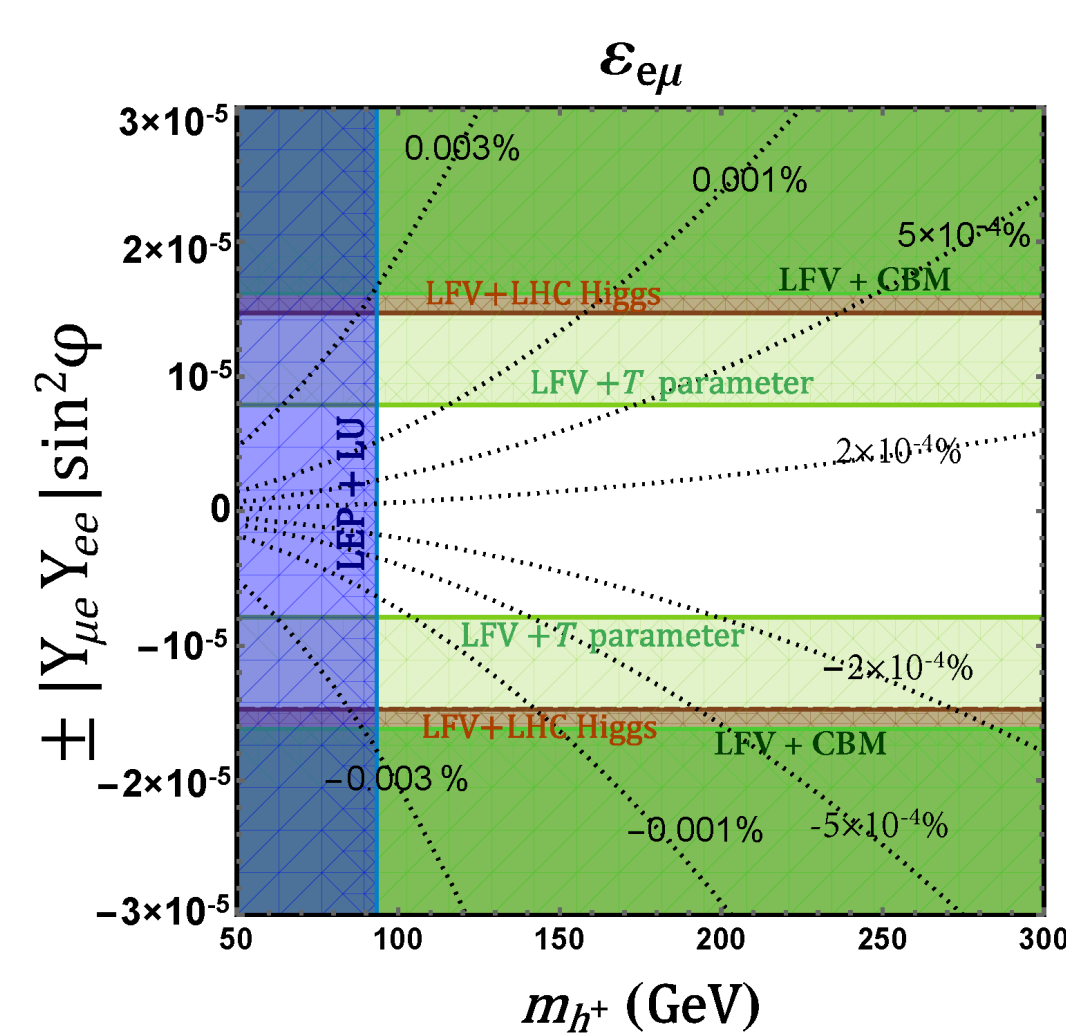
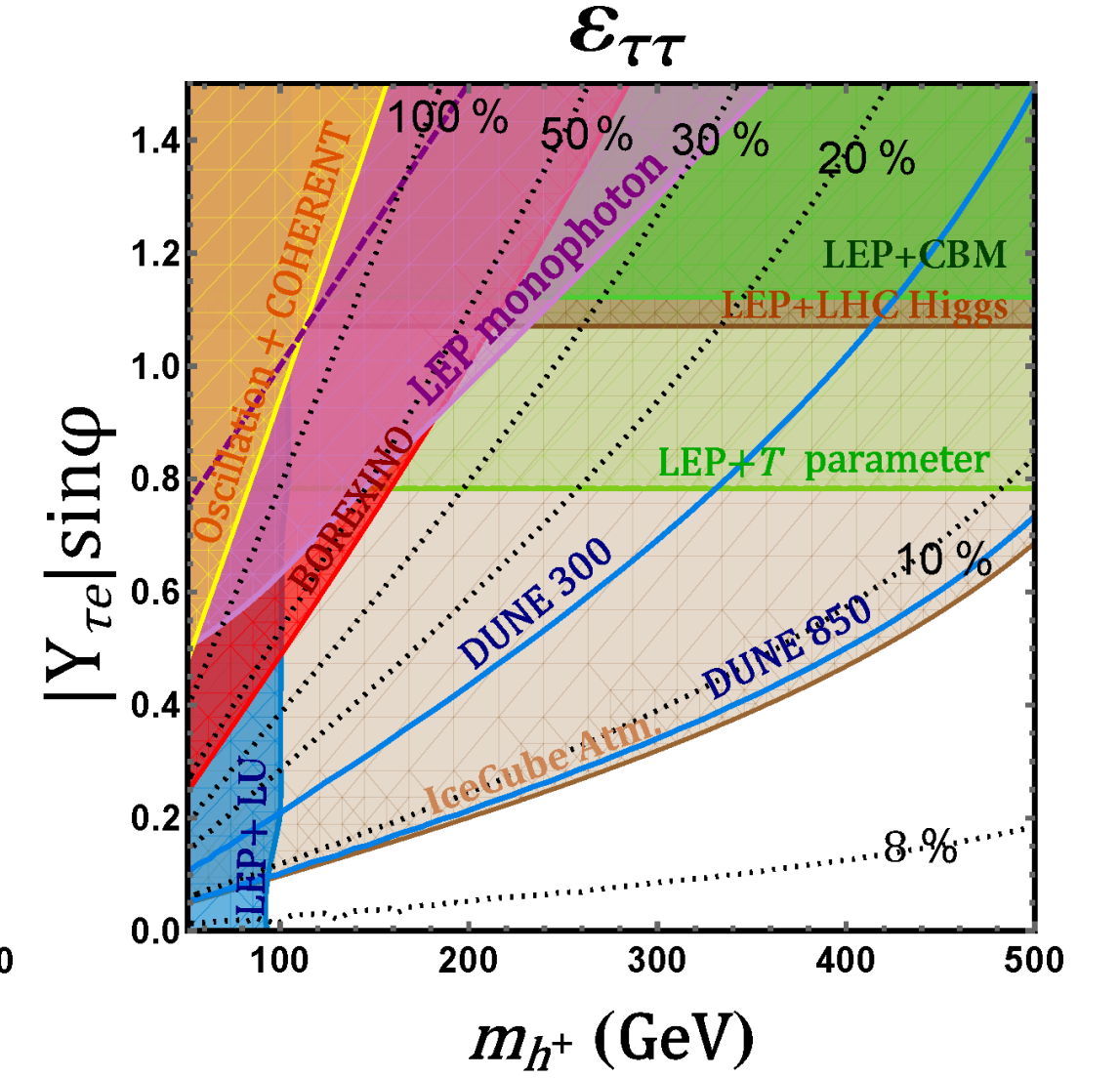
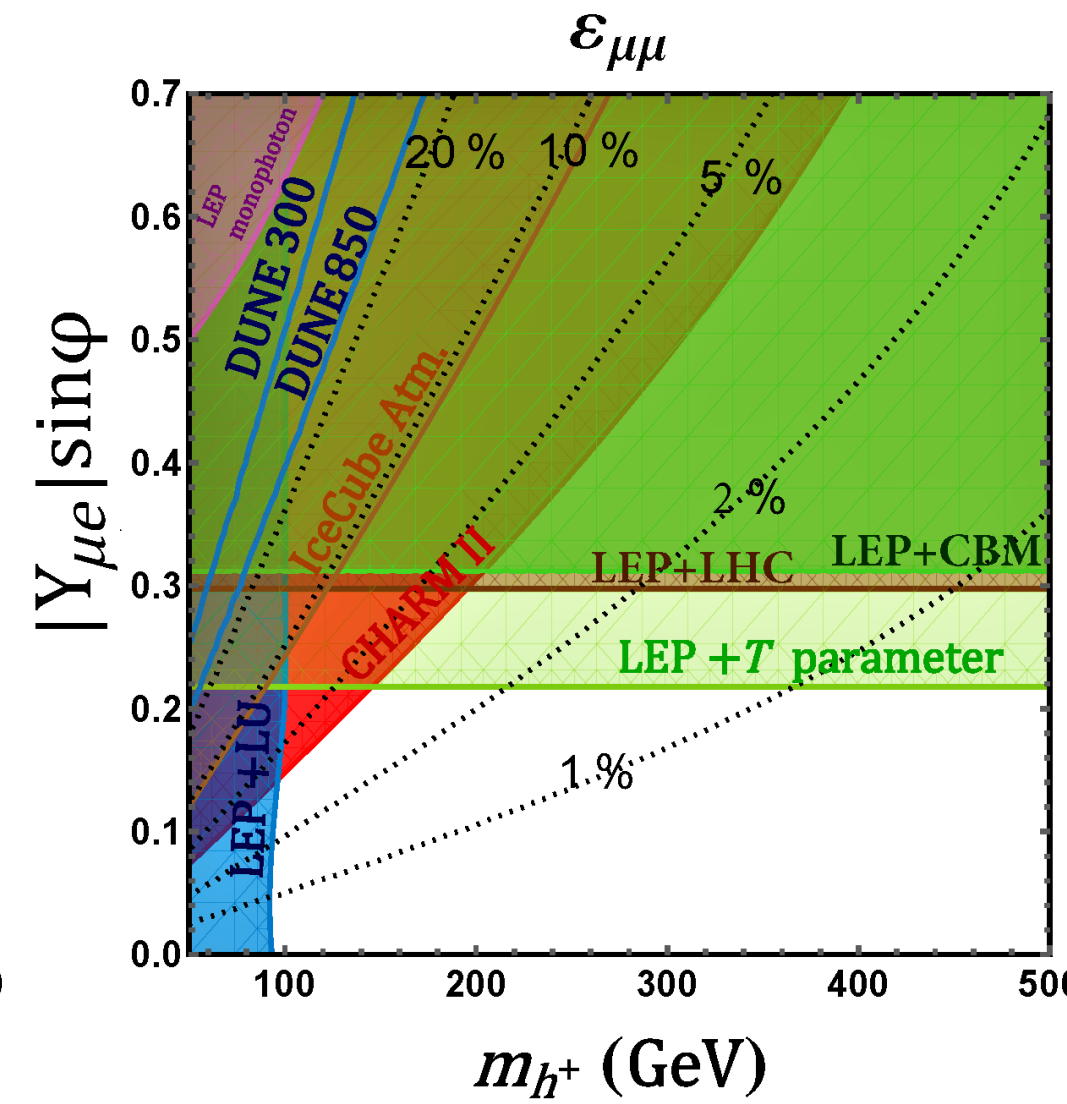
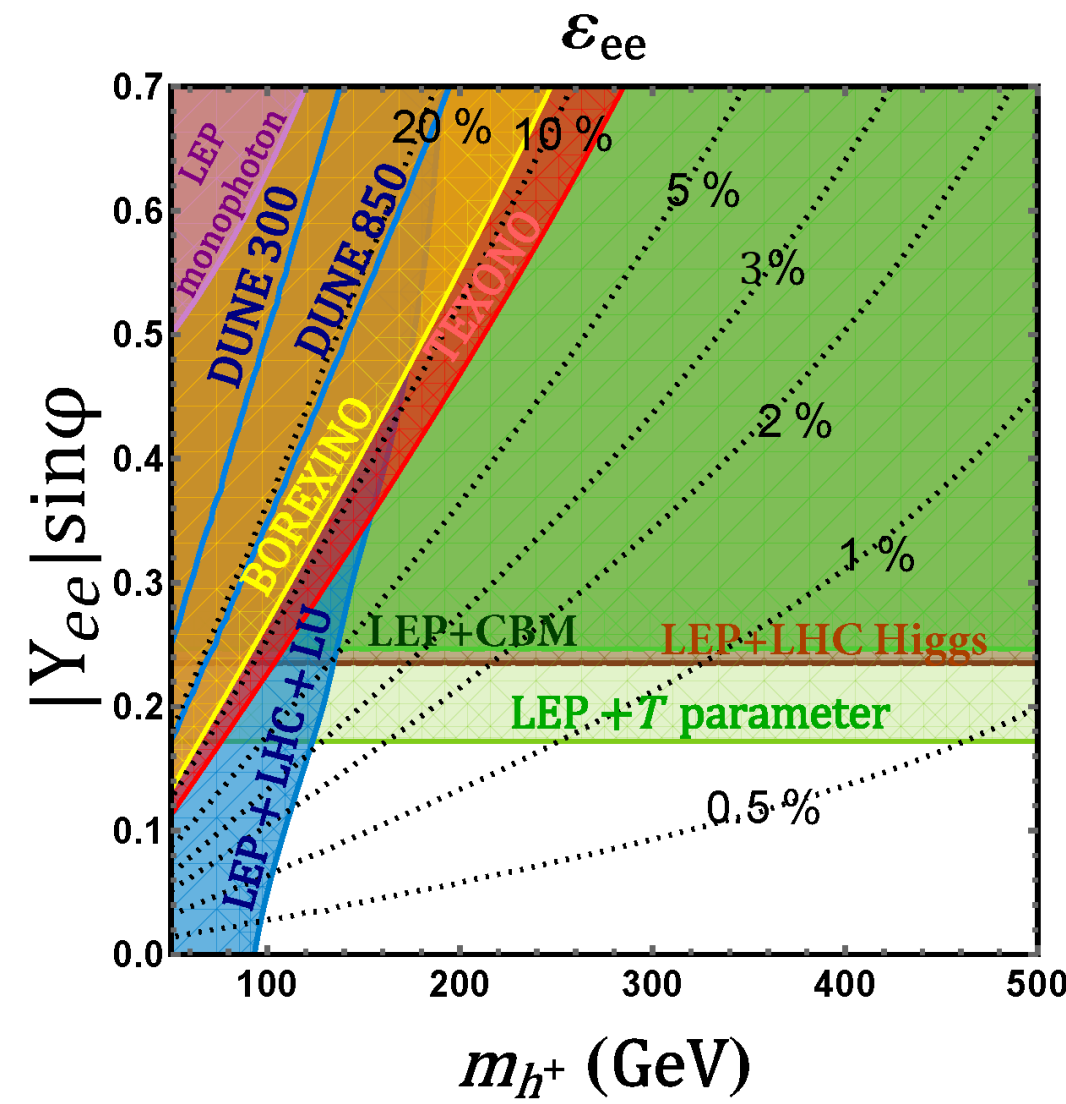


$$M_\nu = \kappa (f M_\ell Y + Y^T M_\ell f^T)$$



$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \equiv \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{(h^+)} + \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{(H^+)} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}G_F} Y_{\alpha e} Y_{\beta e}^* \left( \frac{\sin^2 \varphi}{m_{h^+}^2} + \frac{\cos^2 \varphi}{m_{H^+}^2} \right)$$

Babu, BD, Jana, Thapa, 1907.09498



# NSI with Light Mediator

- Possible to avoid CLFV constraints with flavored light mediators.
- In an explicit construction with  $U(1)_{B-L}^{(3)}$ , diagonal NSI up to  $\sim 50\%$  possible.

● Getting large off-diagonal NSI is much harder.

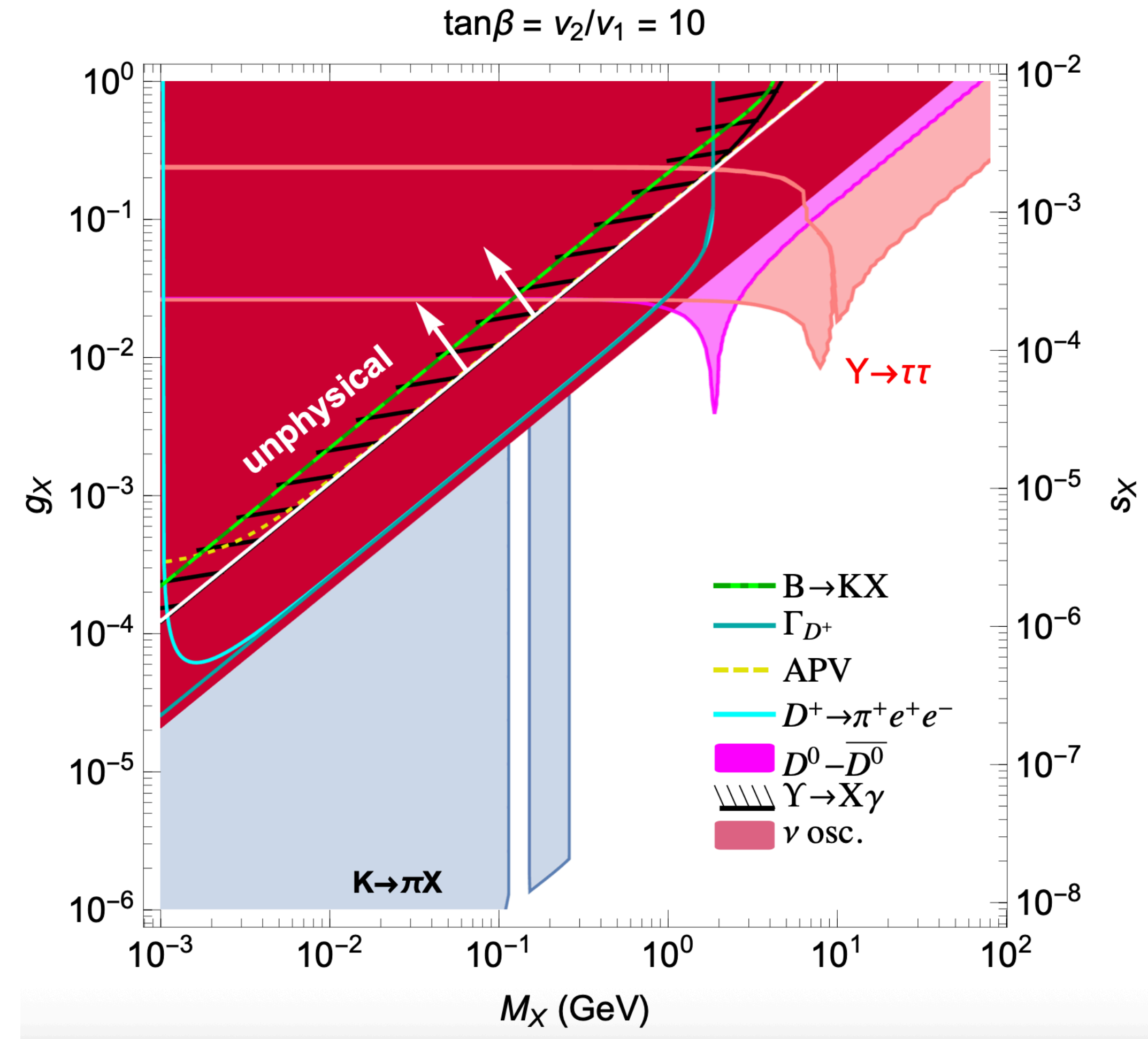
- Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:  $|\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^f|^2 \leq |\epsilon_{\alpha\alpha}^f \epsilon_{\beta\beta}^f|$

Farzan, Heeck, [1607.07616](#)

- An explicit  $U(1)' \times Z_2$  model violating this relation and allowing for large off-diagonal NSI. Farzan, [1912.09408](#)

$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^f = \frac{g_f (g_\nu)_{\alpha\beta}}{2\sqrt{2}G_F m_{Z'}^2}$$

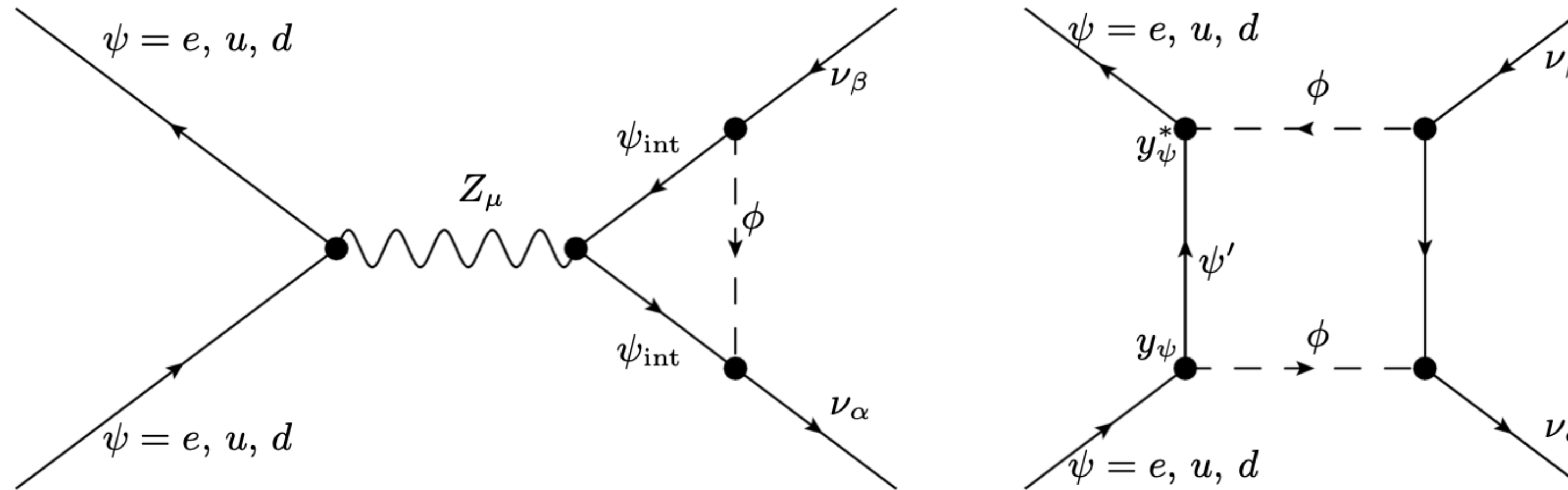
- NSI often gives the leading constraint in electrophobic anomaly-free  $U(1)_X$  models. Heeck, Lindner, Rodejohann, Vogl, [1812.04067](#).



Babu, Friedland, Machado, Mocioiu, [1705.01822](#)

# Loop-Induced NSI

Bischer, Rodejohann, Xu, [1807.08102](#)



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NSI}} = \left( \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{\triangleright} + \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{\square} \right) \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi \bar{\nu}_\alpha \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_\beta, \quad (\psi = e_L, e_R, u_L, u_R, \dots),$$

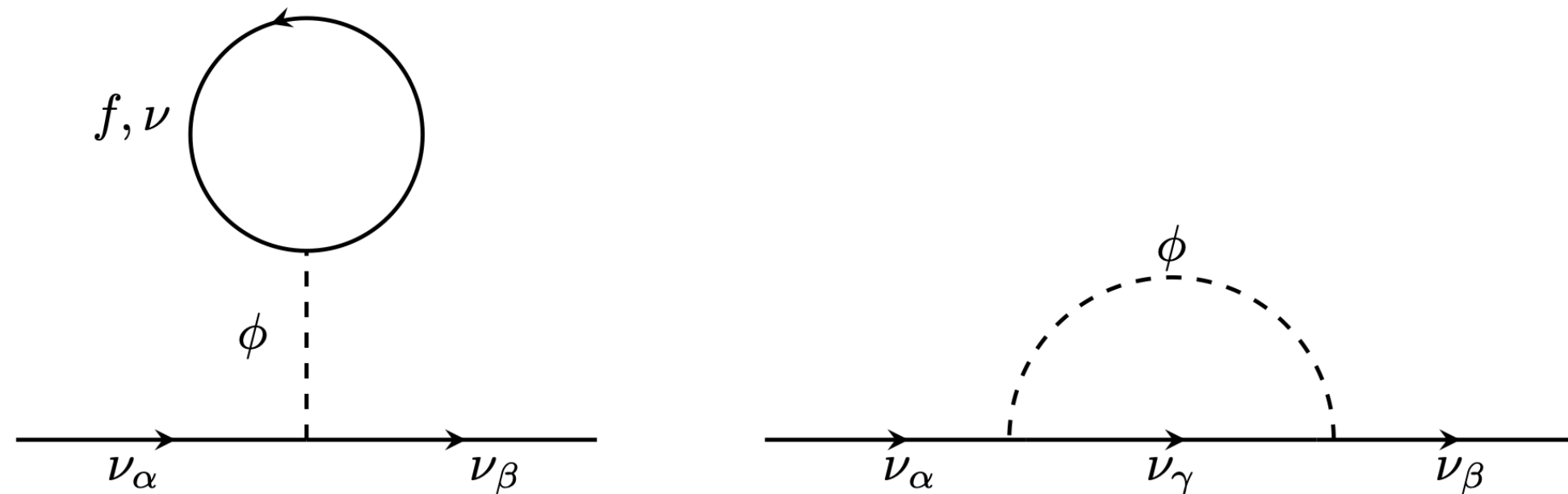
$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{\triangleright} = -\frac{8g_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)}}{g} Q_Z^{(\psi)} c_W, \quad \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{\square} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{\sqrt{2} y_\alpha^* y_\beta |y_\psi|^2}{4m_\phi^2 G_F}.$$

	$\epsilon_e^F$	$\epsilon_e^{\triangleright}$	$\epsilon_n^{\triangleright}$	$\epsilon_p^{\triangleright}$	$\epsilon_e^{\square}$	$\epsilon_n^{\square}$	$\epsilon_p^{\square}$
model A	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-5})$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-4})$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-5})$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$	0	0
model B	0	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-1})$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-1})$	0	0	0
model C	0	0	0	0	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$

# Scalar NSI

• For a neutral scalar mediator,  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^\phi = \frac{y_f y_{\alpha\beta}}{m_\phi^2} (\bar{\nu}_\alpha \nu_\beta) (\bar{f} f)$

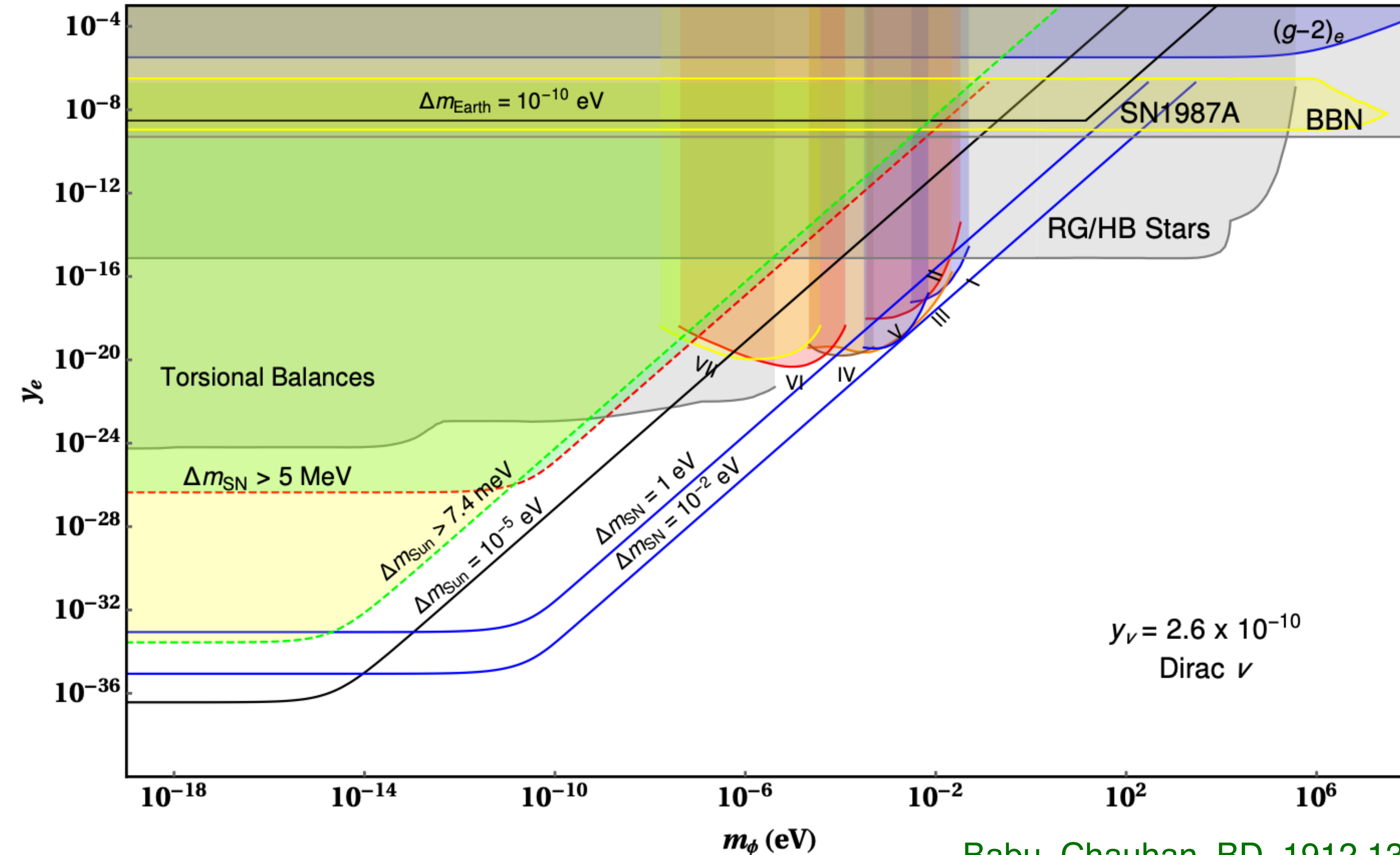
- Cannot be Fierzed into a vector current, so doesn't contribute to matter potential.
- Instead, appears as a medium-dependent correction to the neutrino mass. [Ge, Parke, 1812.08376](#); [Smirnov, Xu, 1909.07505](#); [Babu, Chauhan, BD, 1912.13488](#);...



$$\Sigma_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{y_{\alpha\beta} y_f m_f}{\pi^2 m_\phi^2} \int_{m_f}^{\infty} dk_0 \sqrt{k_0^2 - m_f^2} [n_f(k_0) + n_{\bar{f}}(k_0)] \equiv \Delta m_{\nu, \alpha\beta}$$

$$\Delta m_{\nu, \alpha\beta} = \begin{cases} \frac{y_f y_{\alpha\beta}}{m_\phi^2} (N_f + N_{\bar{f}}) & (\mu, T \ll m_f) \\ \frac{y_f y_{\alpha\beta} m_f}{m_\phi^2} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} (N_f^{2/3} + N_{\bar{f}}^{2/3}) & (\mu > m_f \gg T) \\ \frac{y_f y_{\alpha\beta} m_f}{3 m_\phi^2} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{12 \zeta(3)}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} (N_f^{2/3} + N_{\bar{f}}^{2/3}) & (\mu < m_f \ll T) . \end{cases}$$

# Constraints on Scalar NSI



- Need  $G_{\text{eff}} \sim \frac{y_f y_\nu}{m_\phi^2} \sim 10^{10} G_F$
- Only ultra-light mediators allowed.
- Novel oscillation phenomenology, distinct from vector NSI.

See posters by D. Bezboruah and S. Das

Babu, Chauhan, BD, [1912.13488](https://arxiv.org/abs/1912.13488)

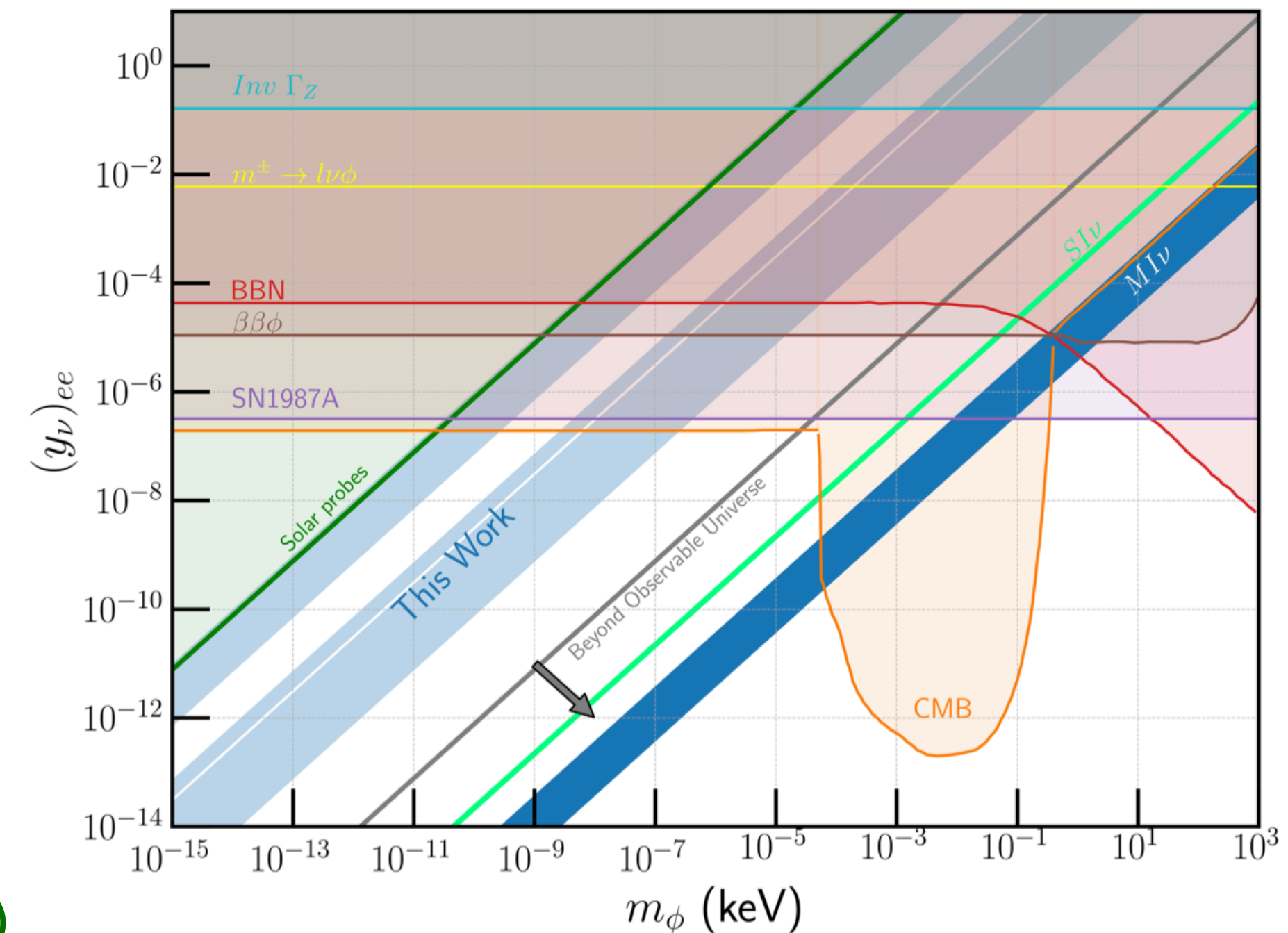
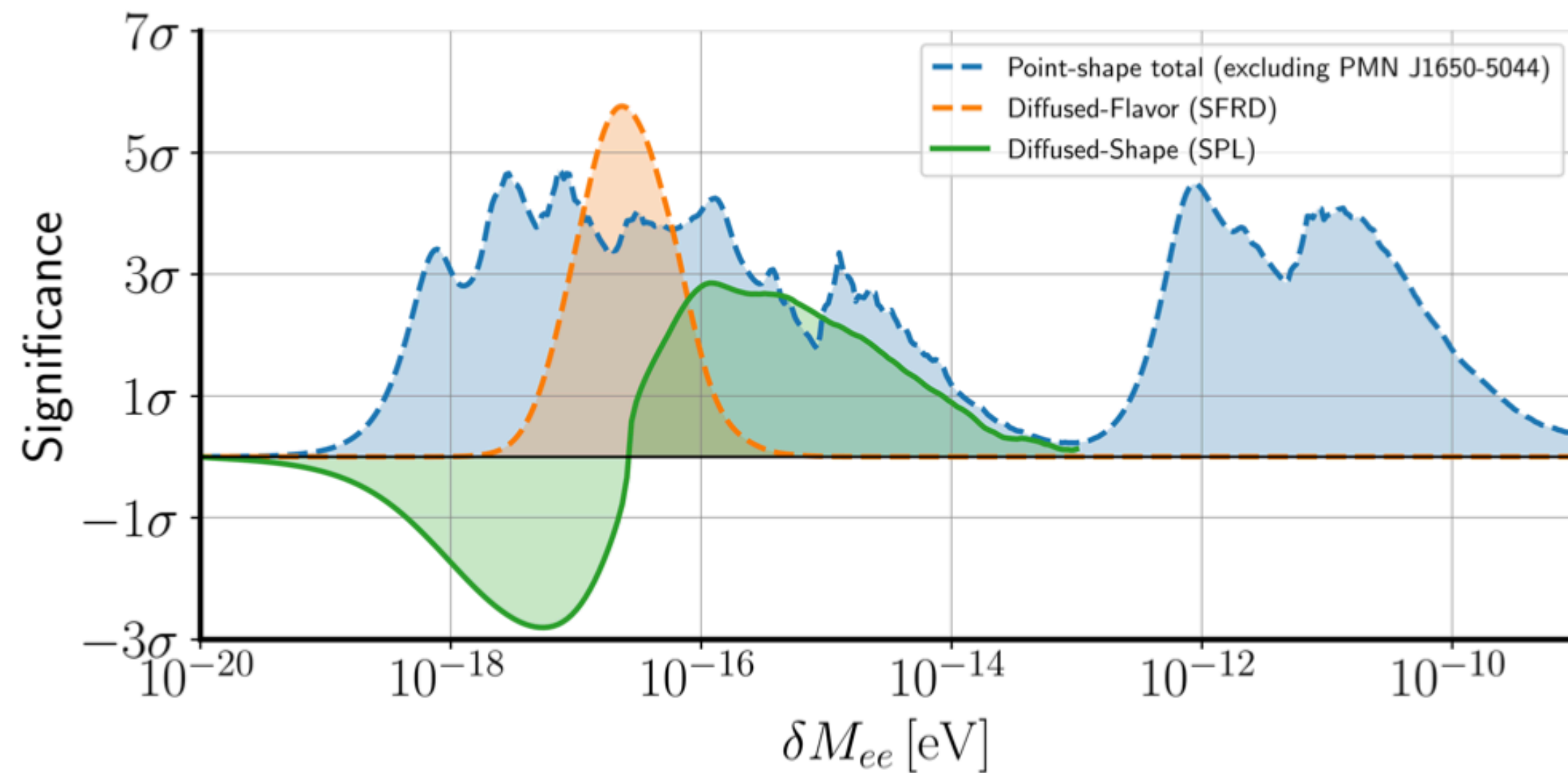
# Scalar NSI and Pseudo-Dirac Neutrinos

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -M_{\alpha\beta}^D \bar{\nu}_{R\alpha} \nu_{L\beta} + y_{\alpha\beta}^D \phi \bar{\nu}_{R\alpha} \nu_{L\beta} + \frac{1}{2} y_{\alpha\beta}^M \phi \nu_{L\alpha}^T C \nu_{L\beta} - \frac{m_\phi^2}{2} \phi^2 + \text{H.c.},$$

$$\delta M_{\alpha\beta}^L = y_{\alpha\beta}^M \langle \phi \rangle_{\text{bg}} \simeq -\frac{y_{\alpha\beta}^M y_{\text{eff}}^D}{m_\phi^2} (n_\nu + n_{\bar{\nu}}),$$

$$\delta M_{\alpha\beta}^D = y_{\alpha\beta}^D \langle \phi \rangle_{\text{bg}} \simeq -\frac{y_{\alpha\beta}^D y_{\text{eff}}^D}{m_\phi^2} (n_\nu + n_{\bar{\nu}}).$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{eff}} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta M^L & M^D + \delta M^D \\ (M^D + \delta M^D)^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$



Verma, Argüelles, BD, Dutta, Martinez-Soler, [2606.25050](https://arxiv.org/abs/2606.25050) (today!)

# Neutrino Self-Interaction

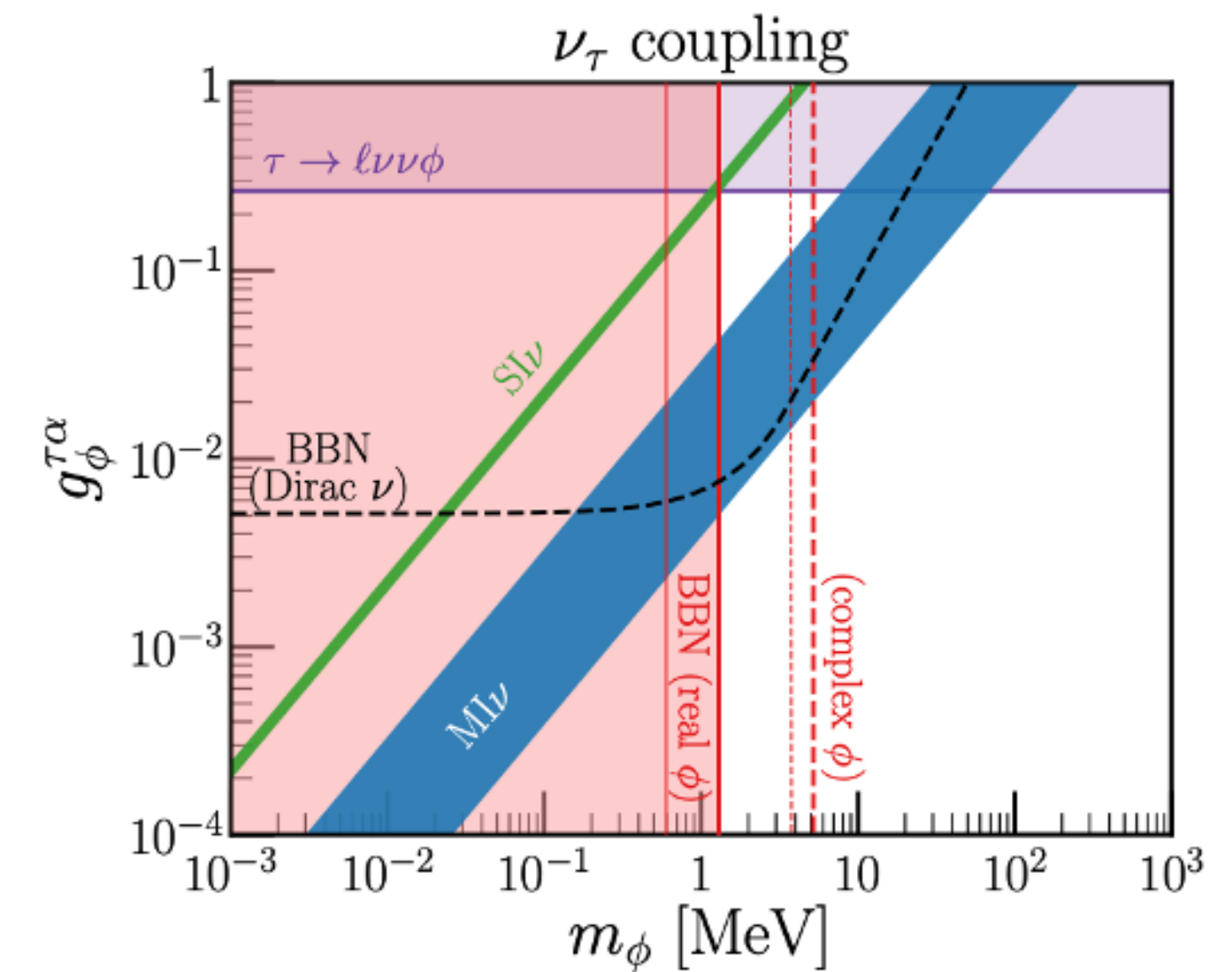
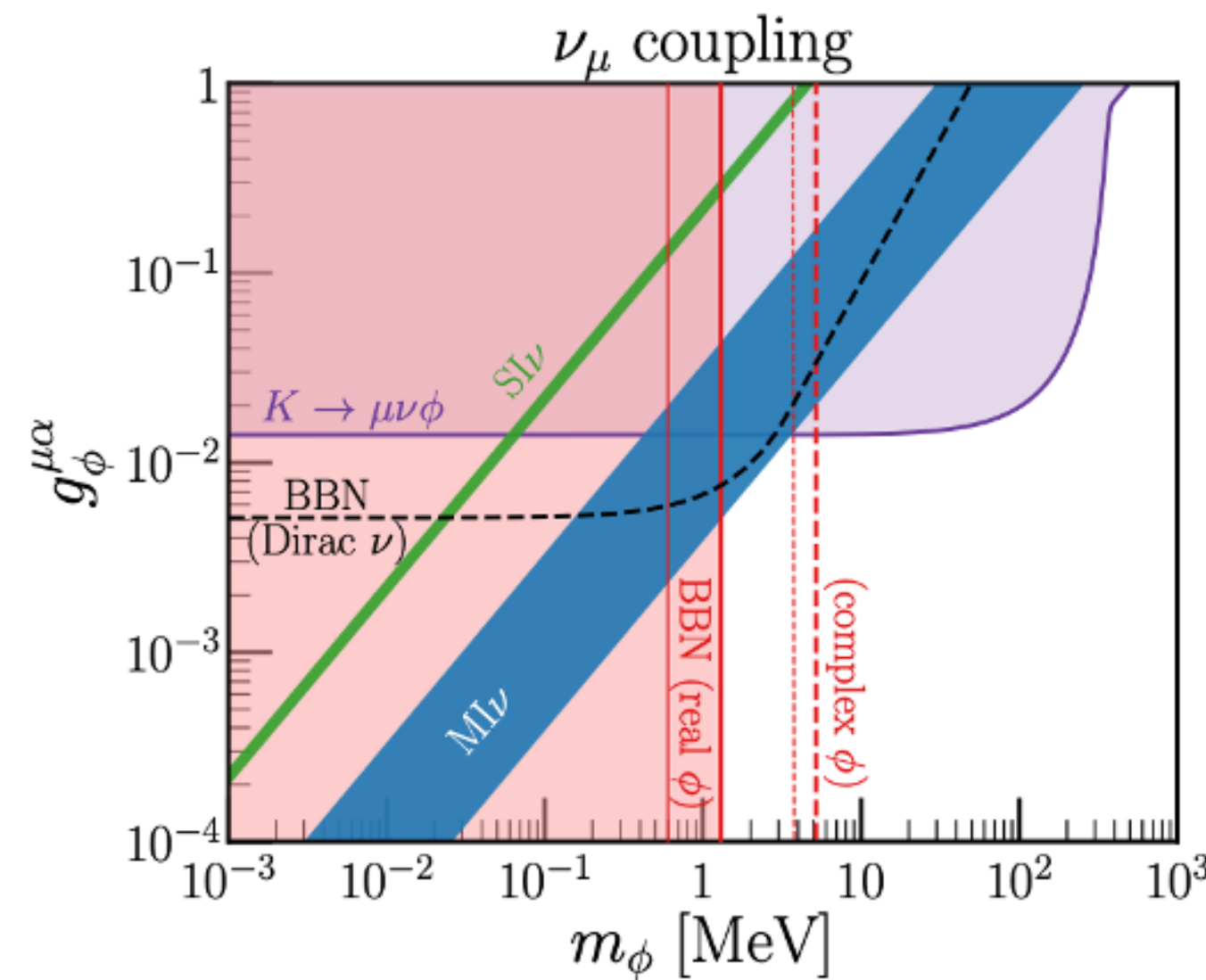
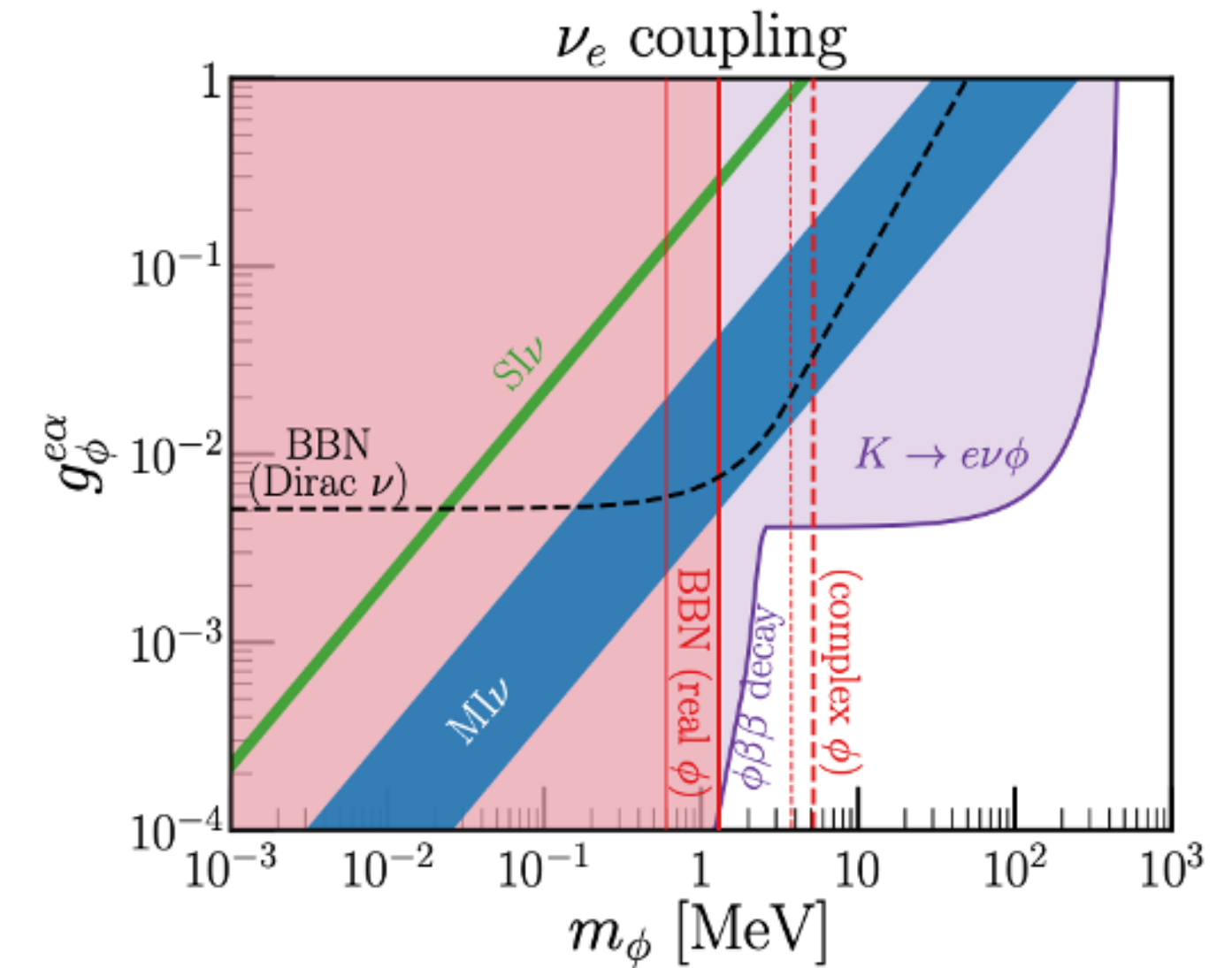
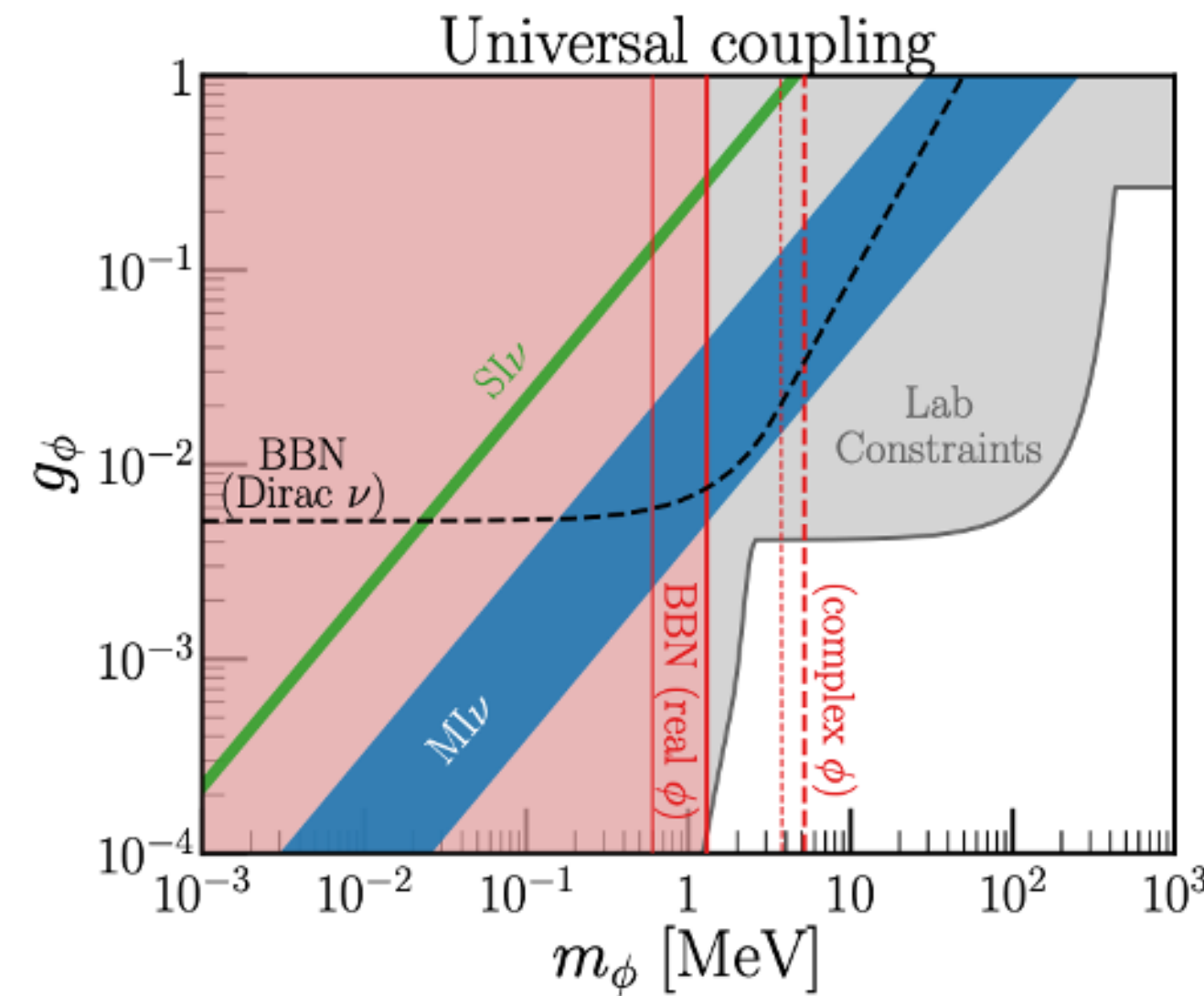
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = G_{\text{eff}} (\bar{\nu}\nu)(\bar{\nu}\nu)$$

- Alleviates the Hubble tension:

$$G_{\text{eff}} = \begin{cases} (4.7^{+0.4}_{-0.6} \text{ MeV})^{-2} & (\text{SI}\nu) \\ (89^{+171}_{-61} \text{ MeV})^{-2} & (\text{MI}\nu) \end{cases}$$

Kreisch, Cyr-Racine, Dore, [1902.00534](#)

- Stringent constraints from lab experiments.
- Only flavor-specific scenario survives.
- Is there a realistic model of flavor-specific neutrino self-interactions?



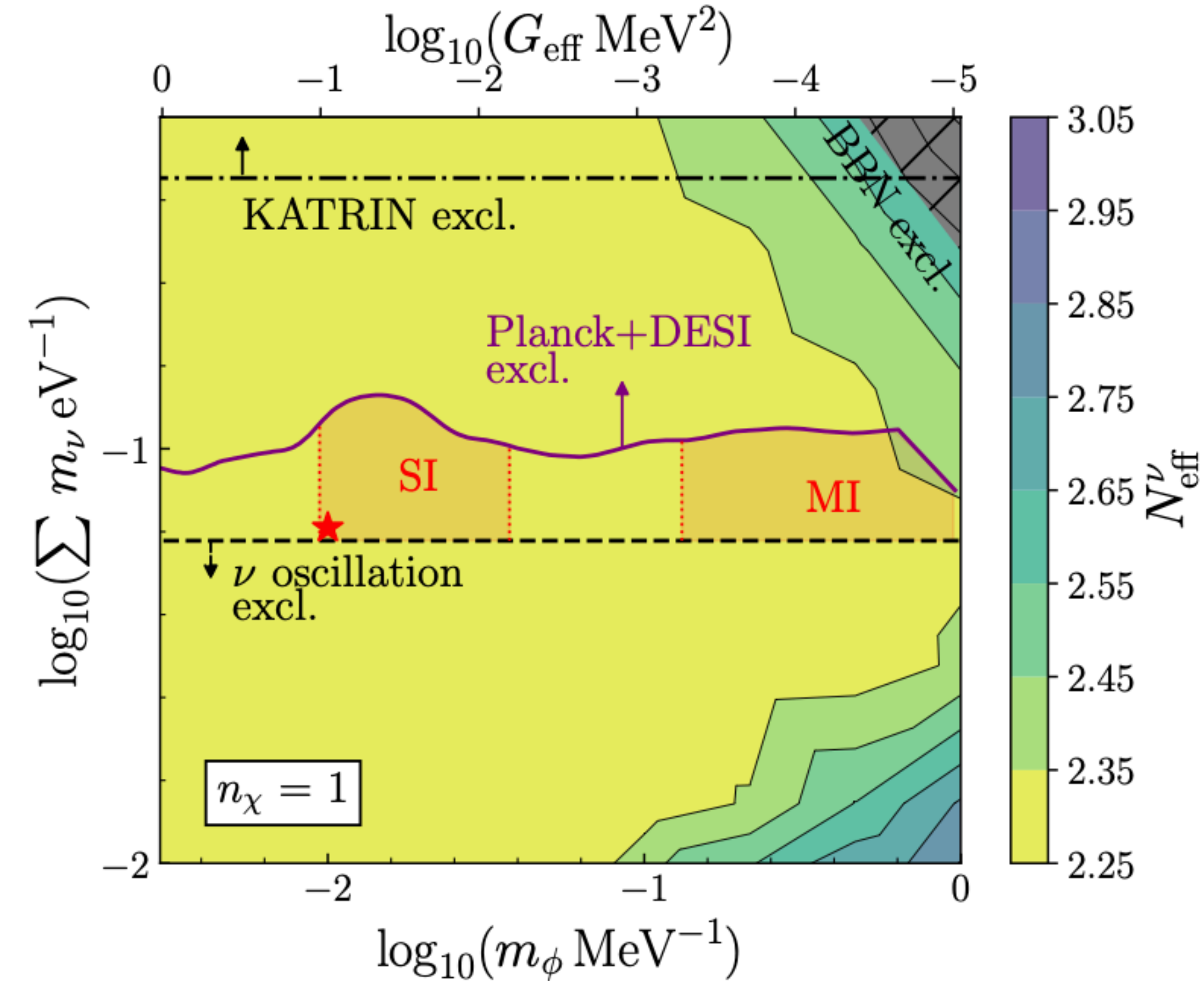
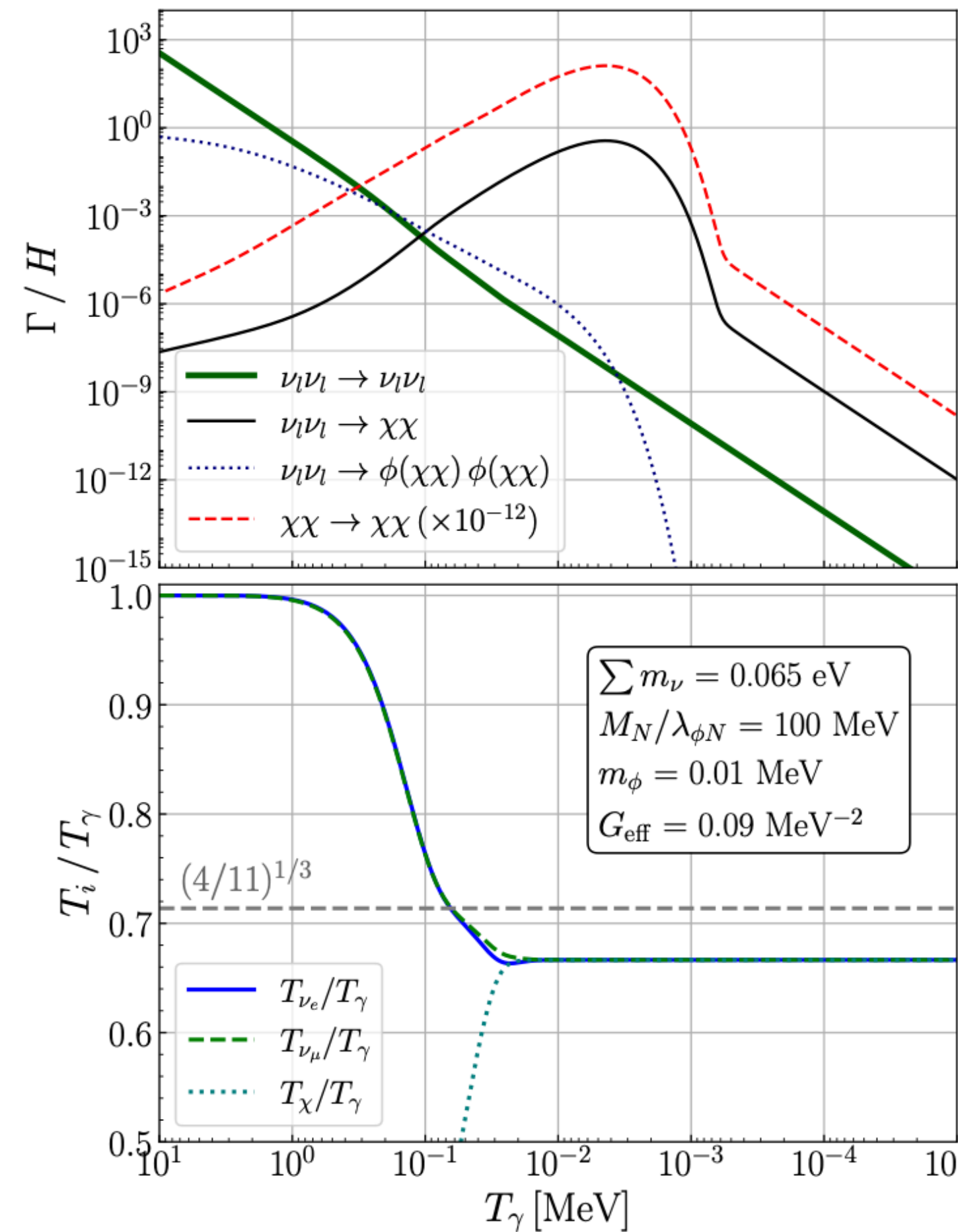
Blinov, Kelly, Krnjaic, McDermott, [1905.02727](#)



# A Viable Model Mimicking Self-Interaction

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = \left( y^{\alpha i} L_{\alpha} N_i^c H - \frac{1}{2} M_N^{ii} N_i^c N_i^c + h.c. \right) - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\phi N} \phi N^c N^c - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\phi\chi} \phi \chi^2$$

- Strongly self-interacting dark sector.
- Mimics self-interacting neutrinos.
- Flavor-specific or flavor-universal, depending on  $n_{\chi}$ .
- Relaxes the tension between cosmology and oscillation experiments.

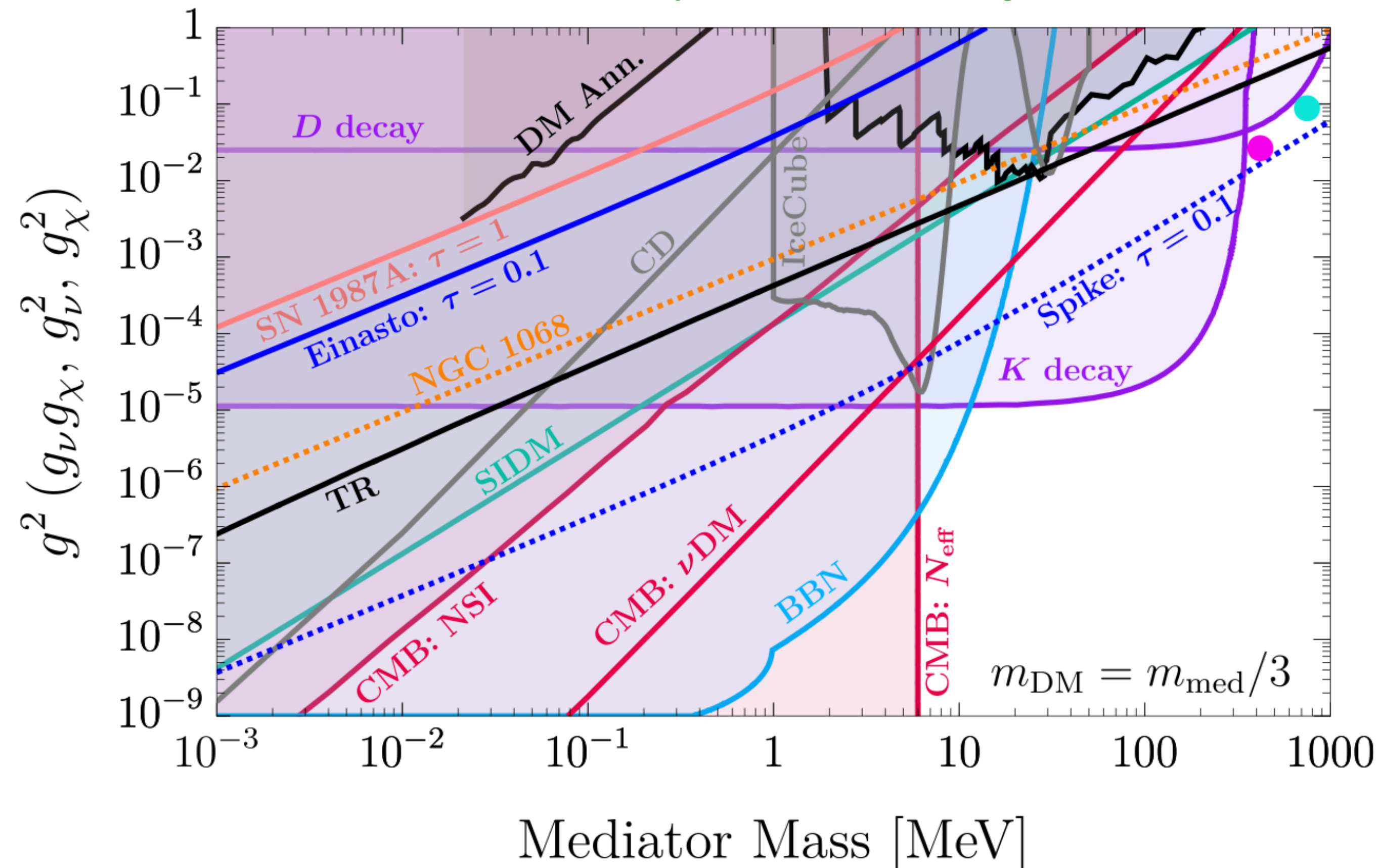
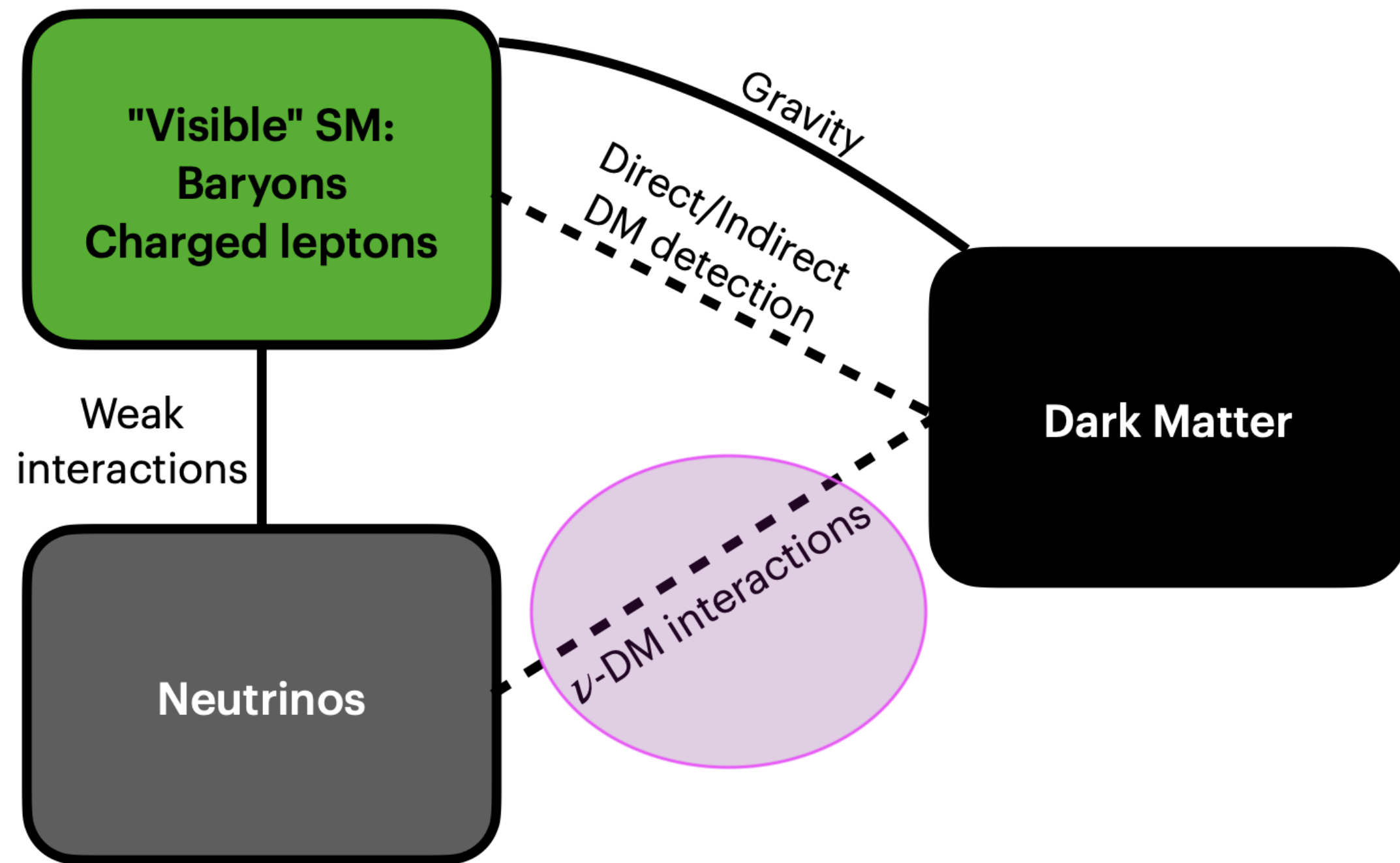


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# Neutrino-Dark Matter Interaction

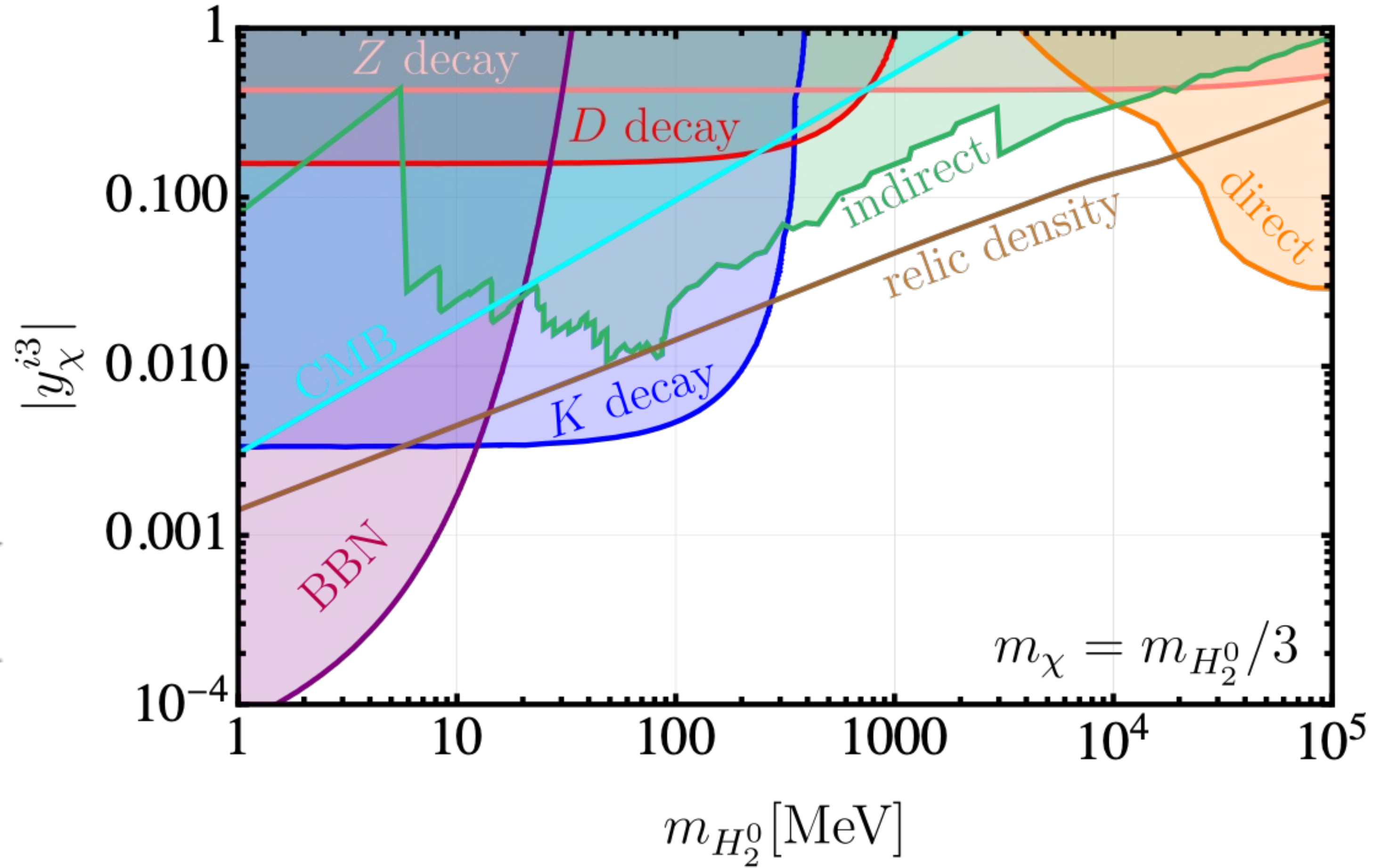
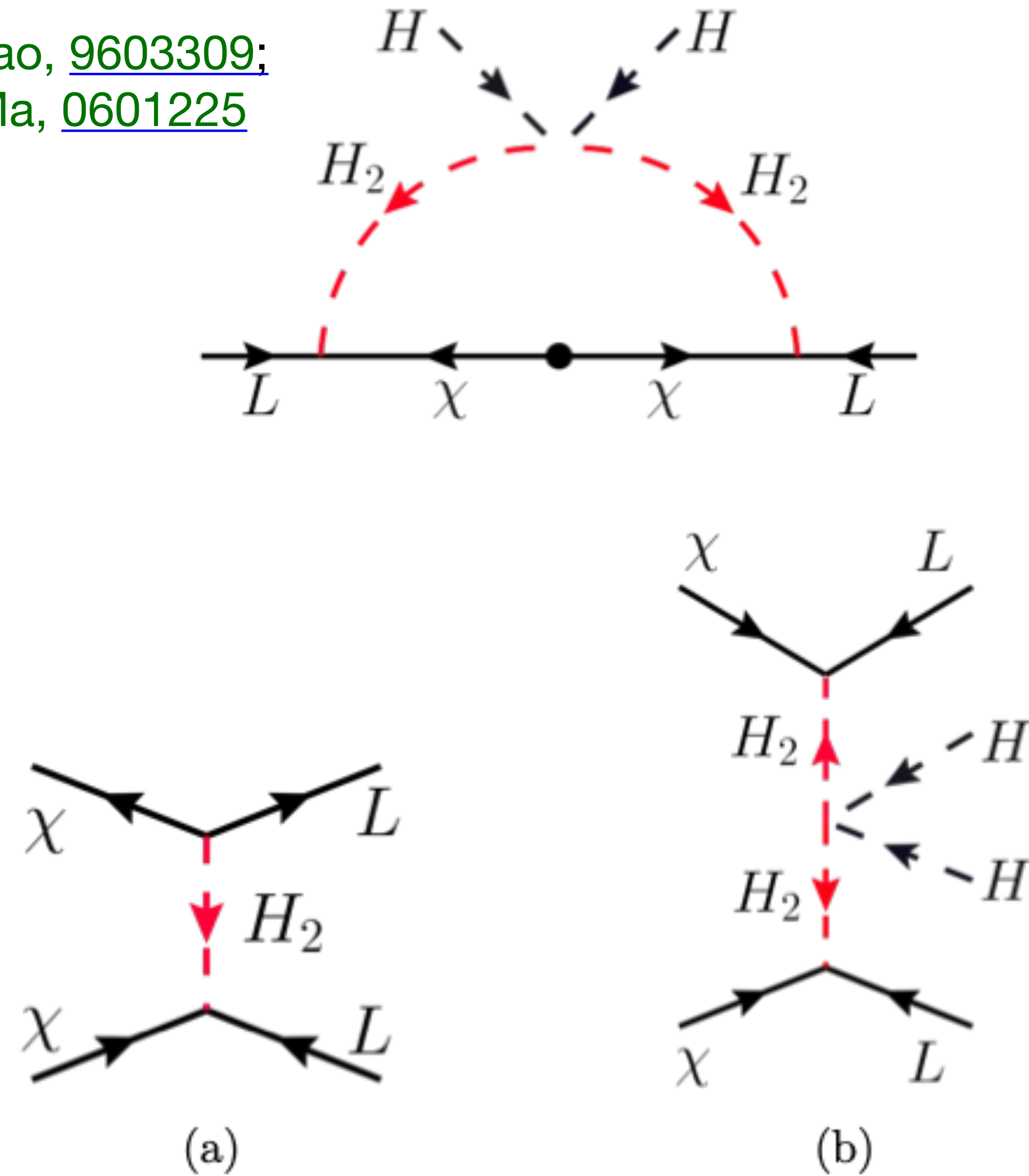
BD, Kim, Sathyan, Sinha, Zhang, [2507.01000](#)



- How to see the 'invisible'?
- Is there a UV-complete model for 'large' neutrino-DM interaction?
- A complete classification up to dimension-8 in DM-SMEFT. Babu, BD, Thapa, [2512.25035](#)

# An Example: Pseudo-Dirac DM in Scotogenic Model

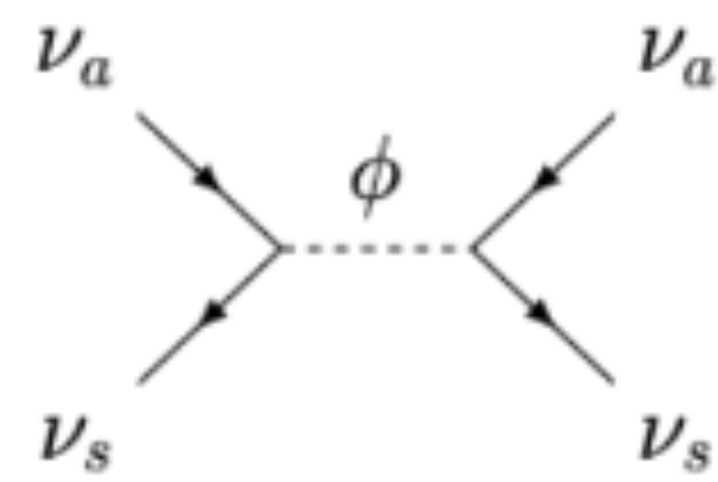
Tao, [9603309](#);  
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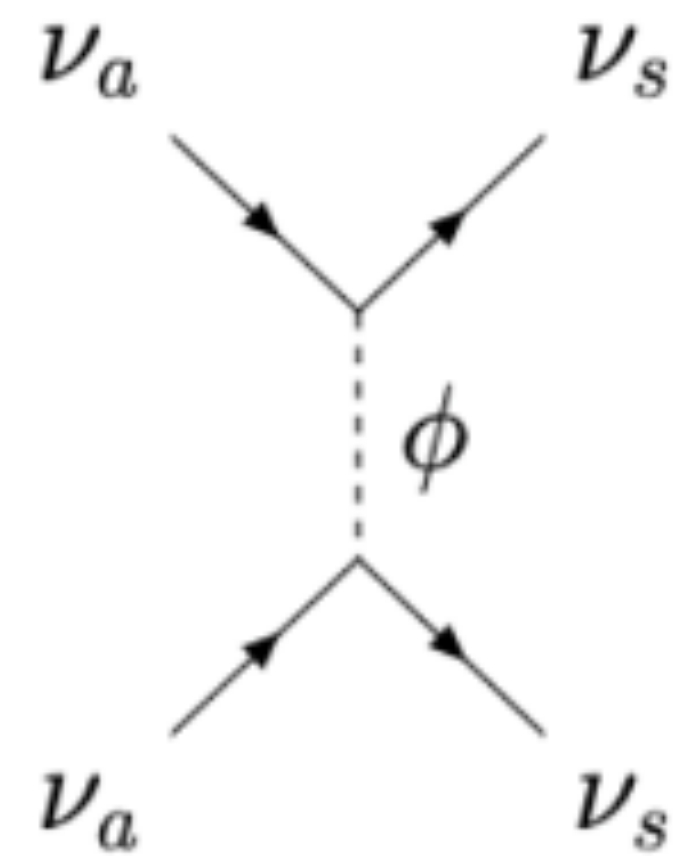
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# Another Example: Sterile Neutrino DM with Active-Sterile NSI

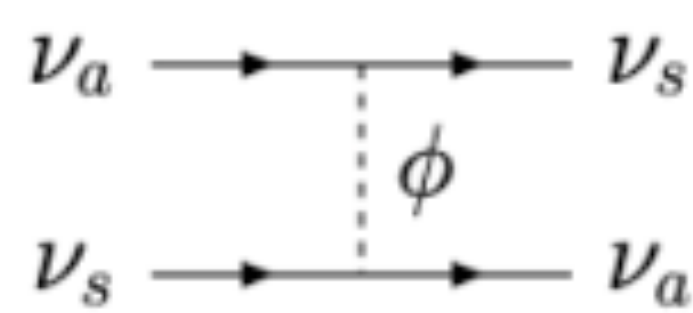
$$-\mathcal{L} \supset y_{as} \bar{\nu}_a \nu_s \phi + \text{h.c.}$$



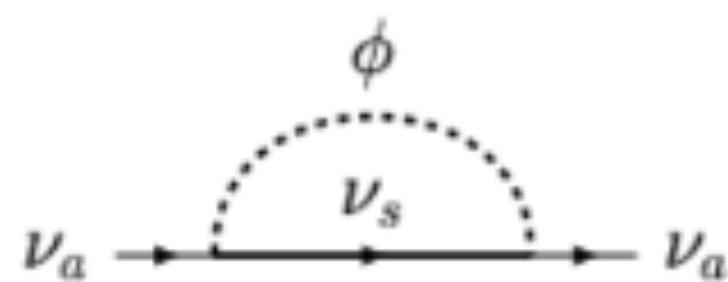
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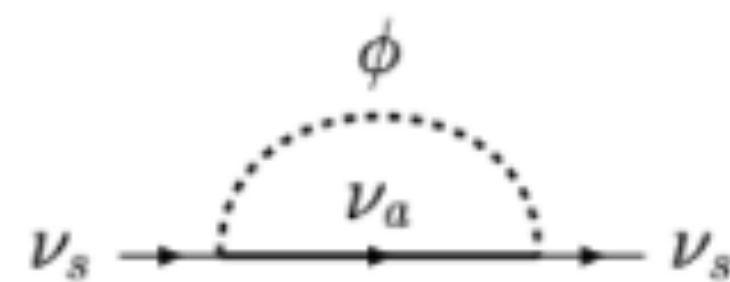
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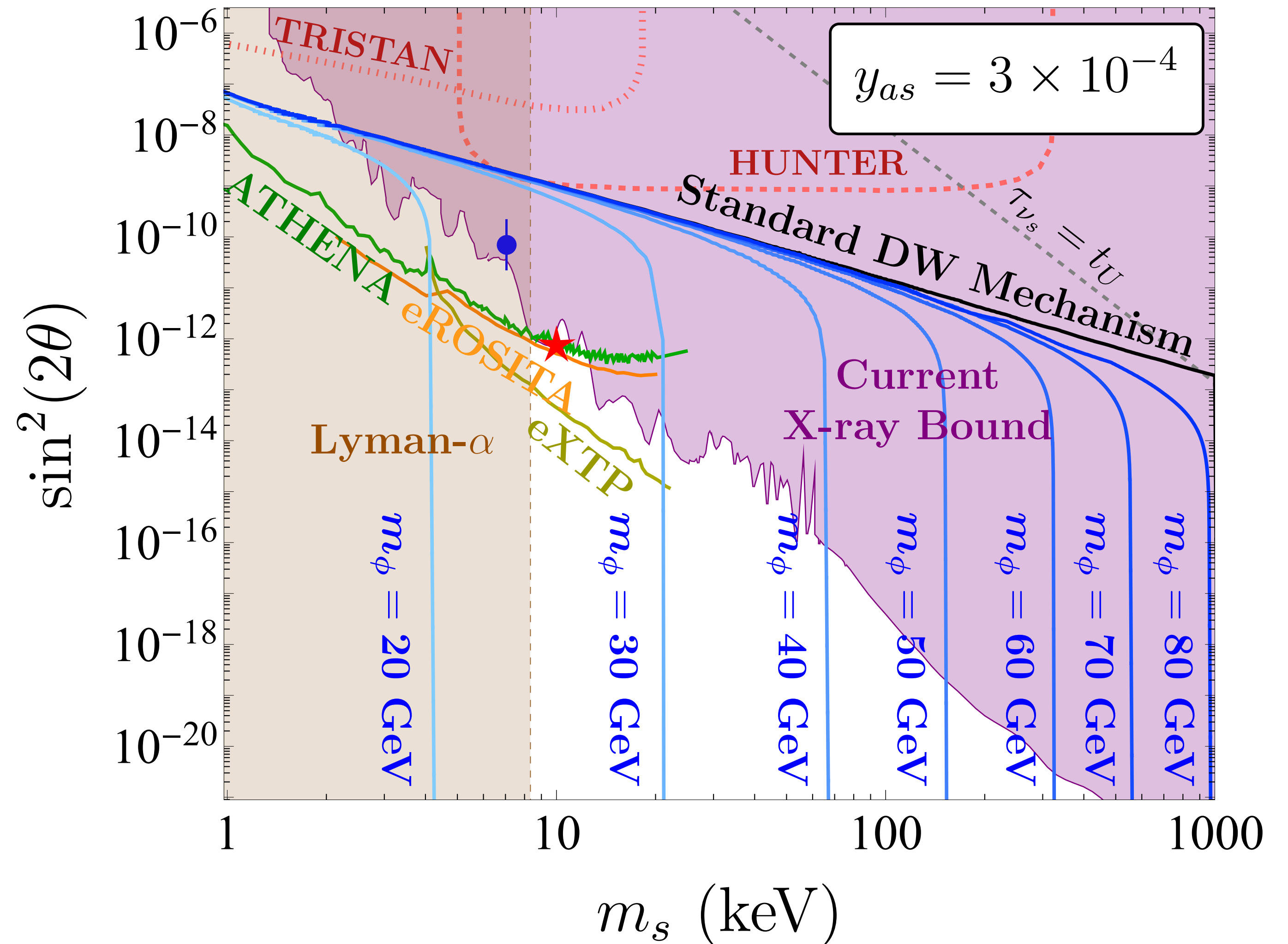
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(e)



BD, Dutta, Goswami, Tang, Ramachandran, [2505.22463](https://arxiv.org/abs/2505.22463)

# Conclusions

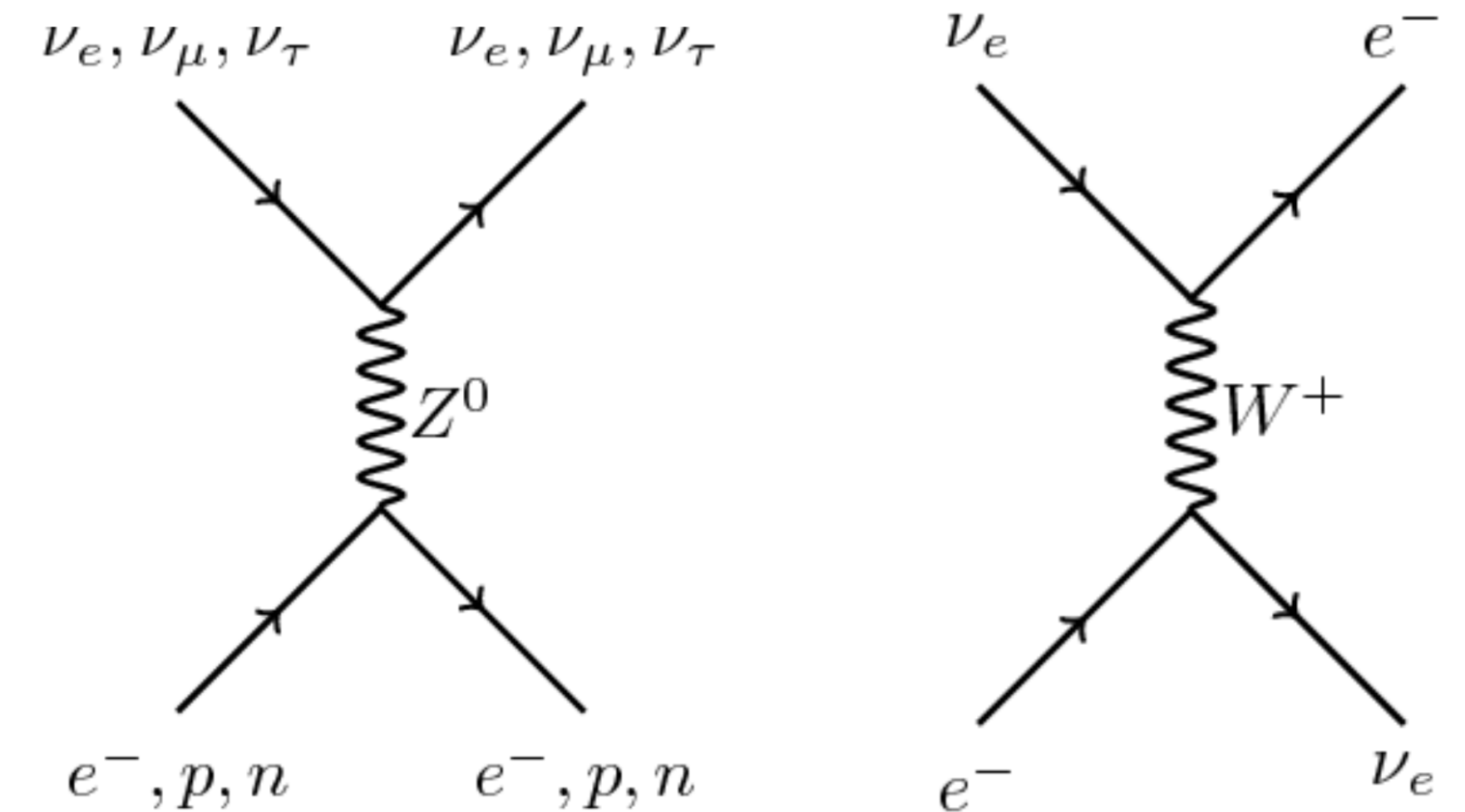
- NSI (at some level) is inevitable. Whether observable is model-dependent.
- Understanding them is necessary for the correct interpretation of the oscillation data.
- Different types: Matter (vector) NSI, source/detector NSI, scalar NSI, self-interactions, and interactions with dark sector.
- Large NSI possible in UV-complete neutrino mass models.
- Rich phenomenology in oscillation, scattering, and collider experiments, as well as in astrophysical and cosmological observations.

# Backup Slides

# Standard Neutrino Interactions with Matter

Type of reaction	Matter potential
$V_Z^n$	$\mp G_F N_n / \sqrt{2}$
$V_Z^p$	$\pm G_F (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) N_p / \sqrt{2}$
$V_Z^e$	$\mp G_F (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) N_e / \sqrt{2}$
$V_W^e$	$\pm \sqrt{2} G_F N_e$

[For a derivation, see e.g., J. Linder, [hep-ph/0504264](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0504264)]



• In an electrically neutral medium,  $V_Z^p + V_Z^e = 0$ .

•  $V_{\text{NC}} = V_Z^n$  is diagonal in neutrino flavor. Doesn't affect oscillations.

• Effective neutrino matter potential:  $V_{\text{CC}} = V_W^e = \sqrt{2} G_F N_e \simeq 3.8 \times 10^{-14} \text{ eV} \left( \frac{\rho}{\text{gm/cm}^3} \right) \left( \frac{Y_e}{0.5} \right)$

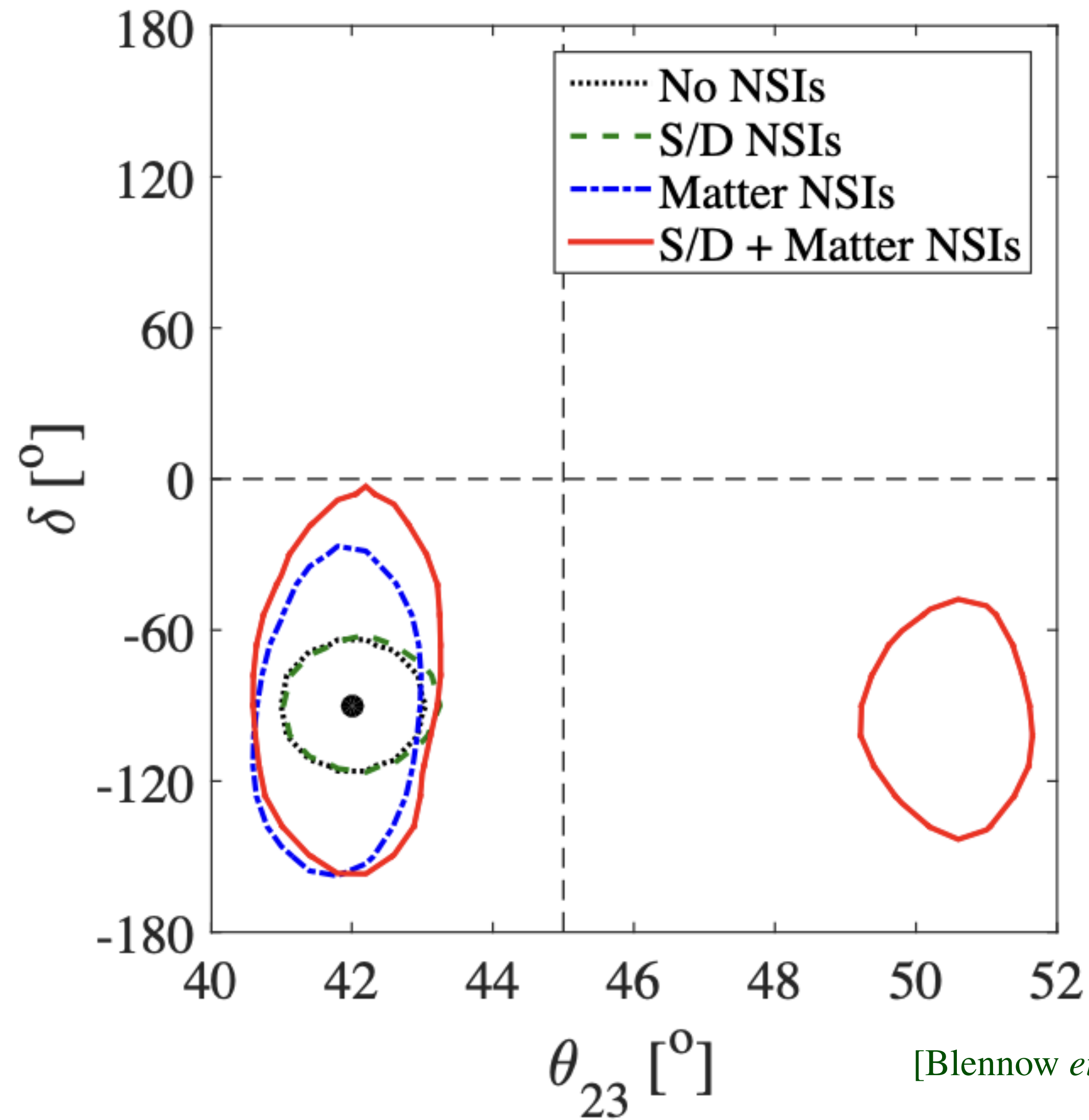
$$H = \frac{1}{2E} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta m_{21}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \Delta m_{31}^2 \end{pmatrix} + N^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} V_{\text{CC}} + V_{\text{NC}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_{\text{NC}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & V_{\text{NC}} \end{pmatrix} N,$$

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = \left| \langle \nu_\beta | e^{-iHL} | \nu_\alpha \rangle \right|^2 \simeq \sin^2 2\theta_M \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_M^2 L}{4E} \right),$$

where  $\tan 2\theta_M = \frac{\Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta}{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - A}$ ,  $A = 2EV_{\text{CC}}$

$$\Delta m_M^2 = \sqrt{(\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - A)^2 + (\Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta)^2}$$

# CC+NC NSI Can Make Things Worse!

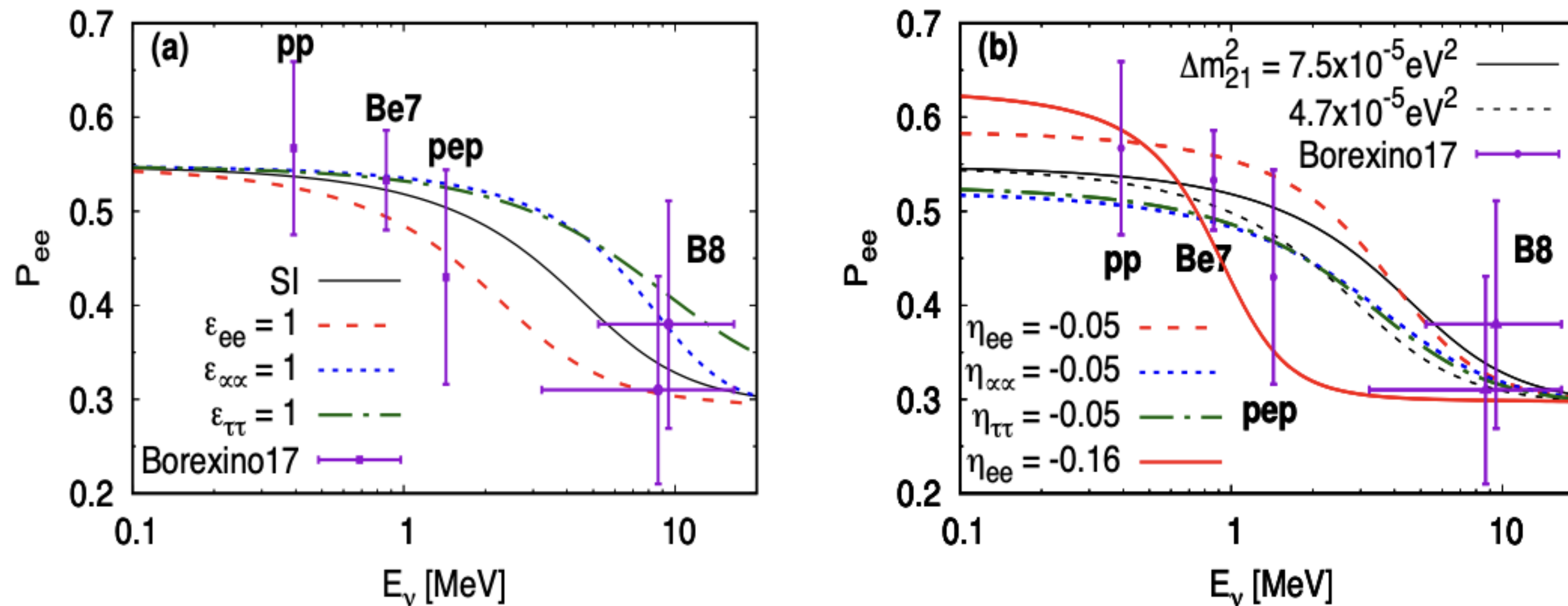


[Blennow *et al*, 1606.08851]

# Comparison of Vector and Scalar NSI

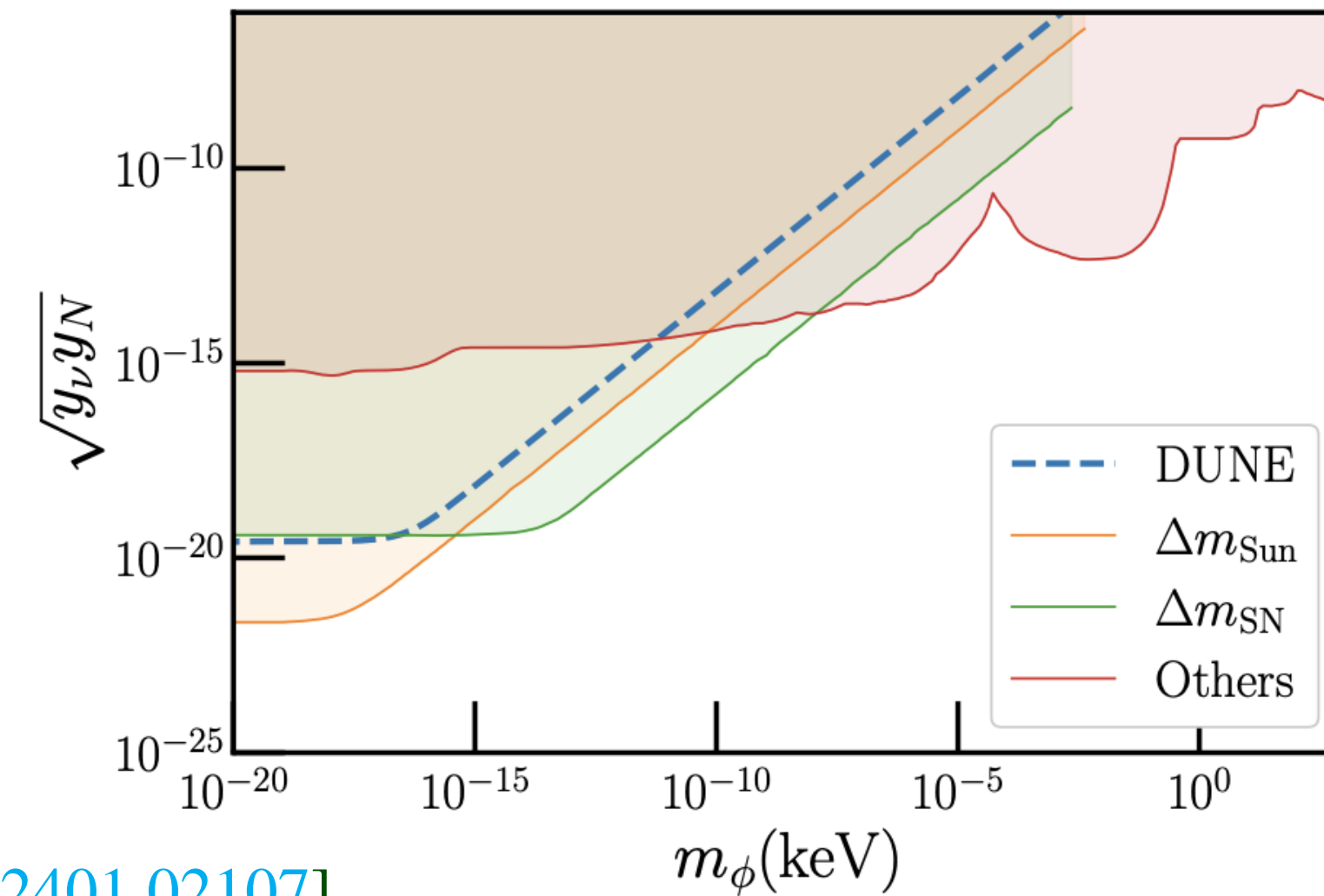
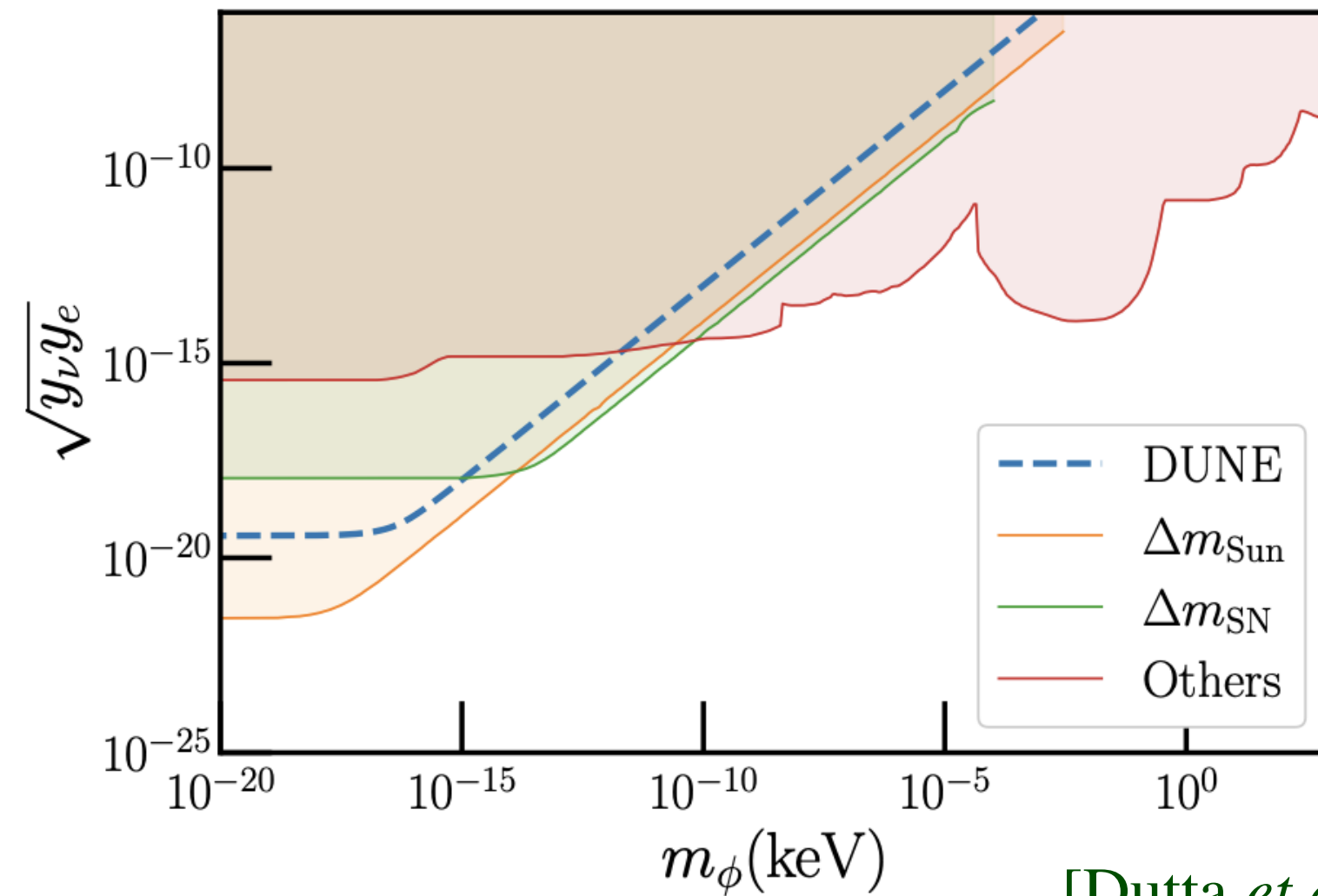
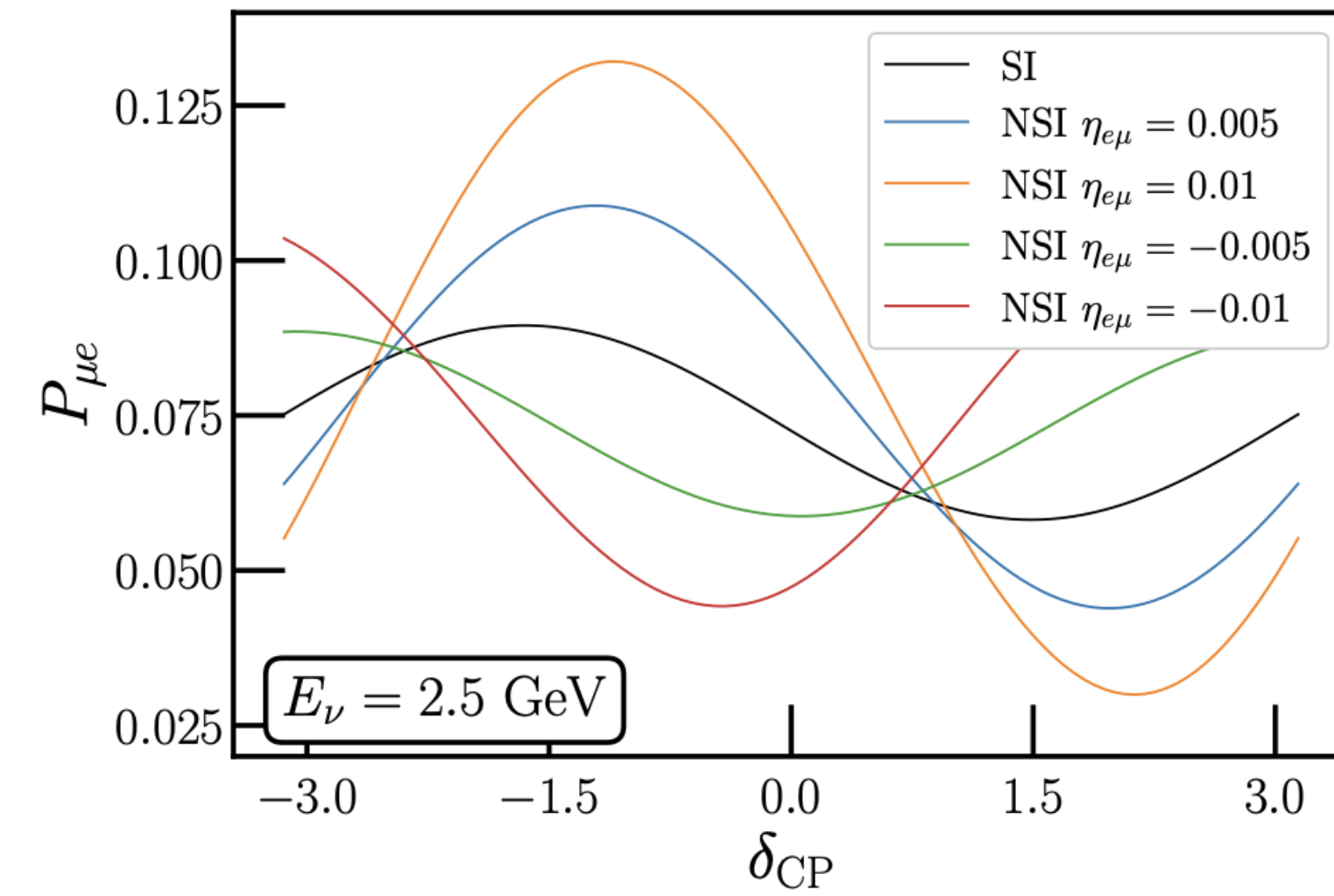
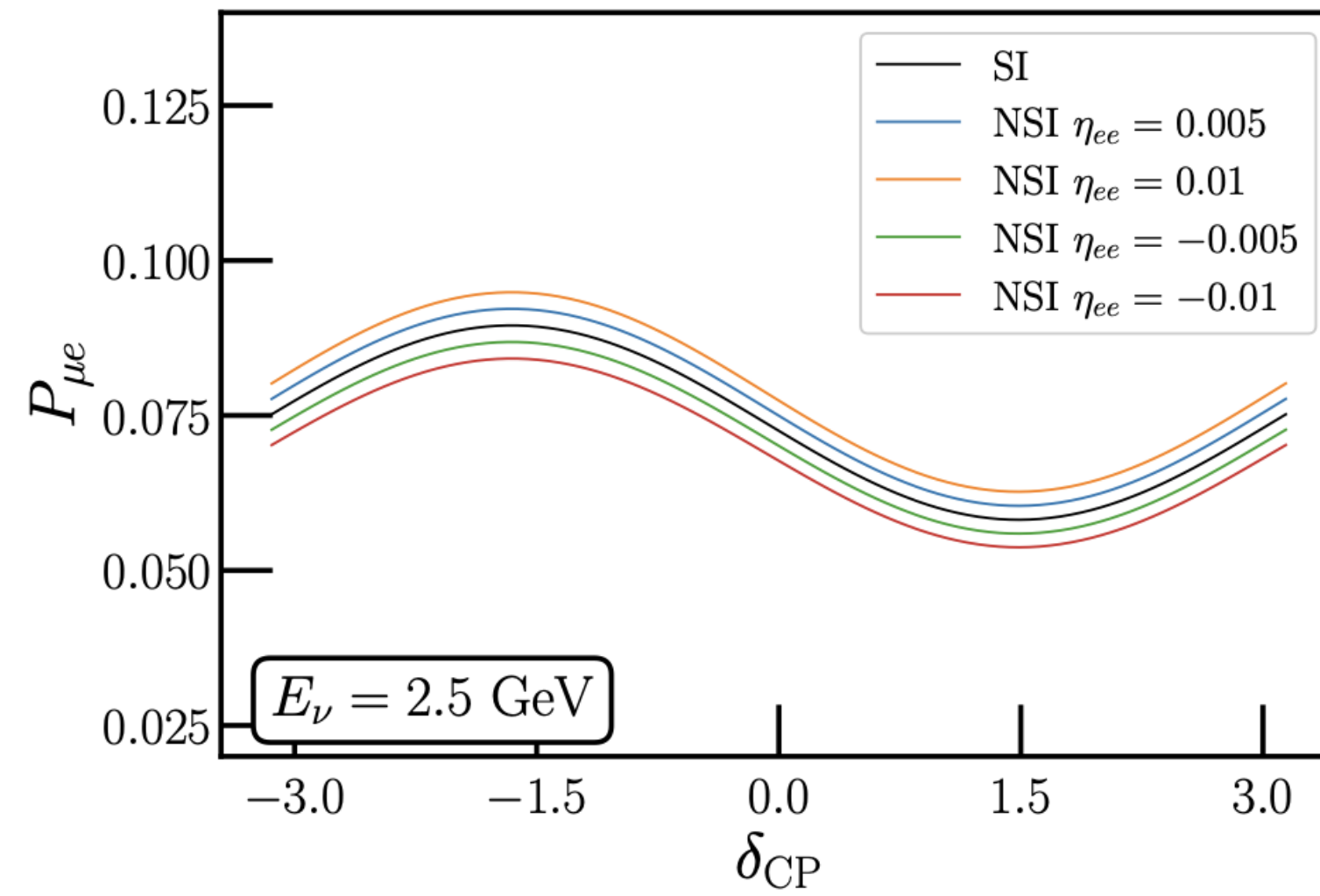
$$\delta M_{\alpha\beta} \equiv \sqrt{|\Delta m_{31}^2|} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_{ee} & \eta_{e\mu} e^{i\phi_{e\mu}} & \eta_{e\tau} e^{i\phi_{e\tau}} \\ \eta_{e\mu} e^{-i\phi_{e\mu}} & \eta_{\mu\mu} & \eta_{\mu\tau} e^{i\phi_{\mu\tau}} \\ \eta_{e\tau} e^{-i\phi_{e\tau}} & \eta_{\mu\tau} e^{-i\phi_{\mu\tau}} & \eta_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\eta_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{n_f y_f y_{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{|\Delta m_{31}^2|} m_\phi^2}$$



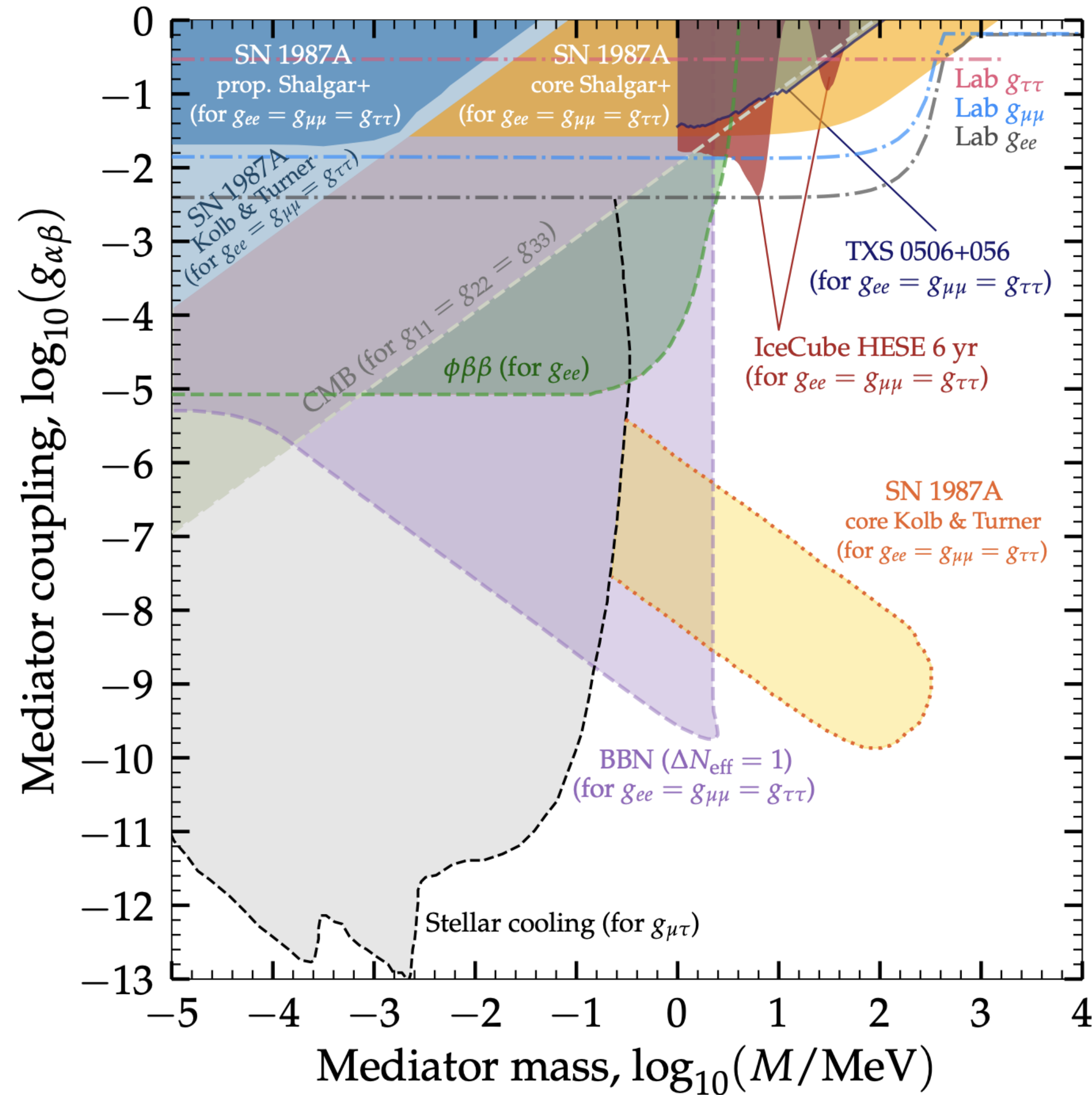
[Ge, Parke, 1812.08376 (PRL)]

# Scalar NSI at DUNE



[Dutta *et al.*, 2401.02107]

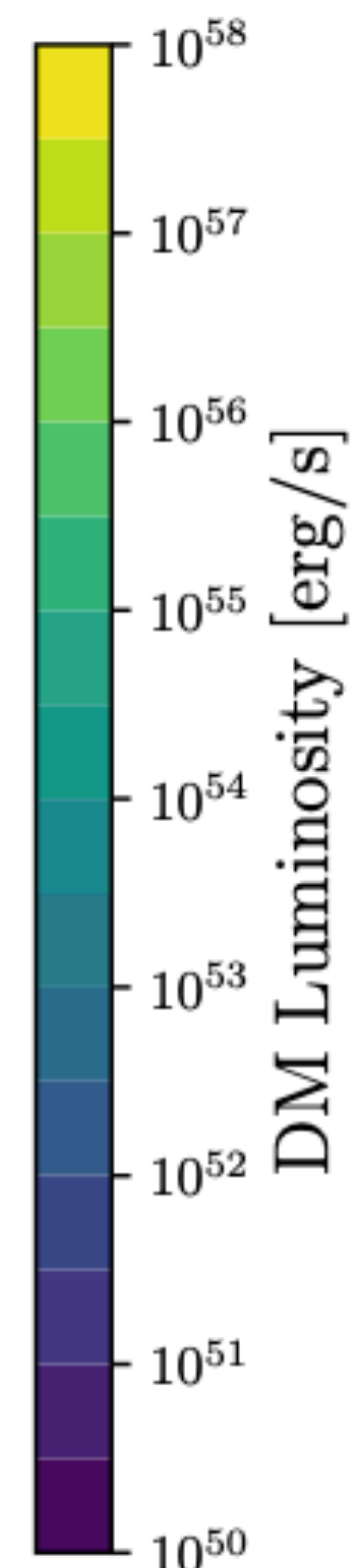
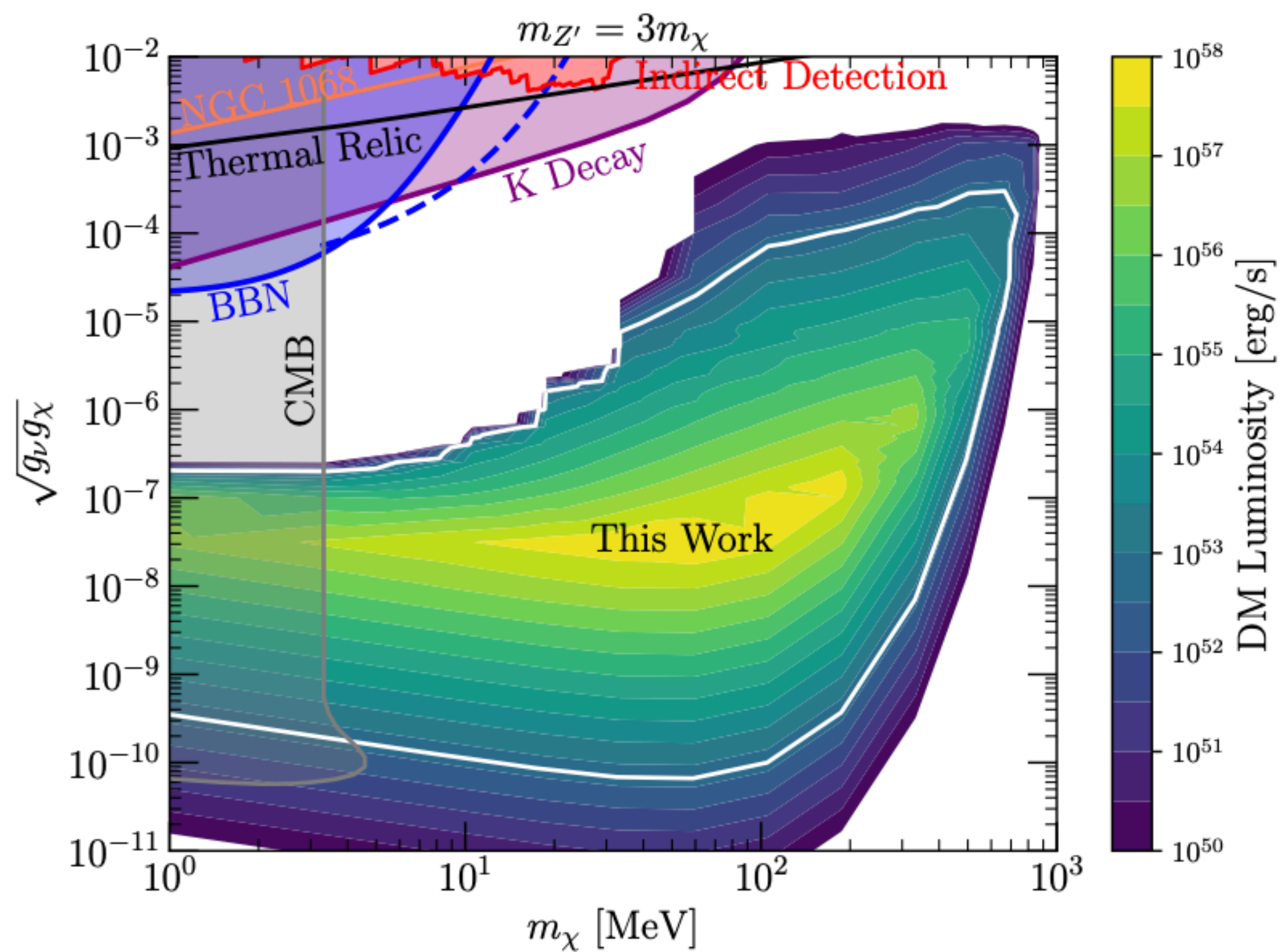
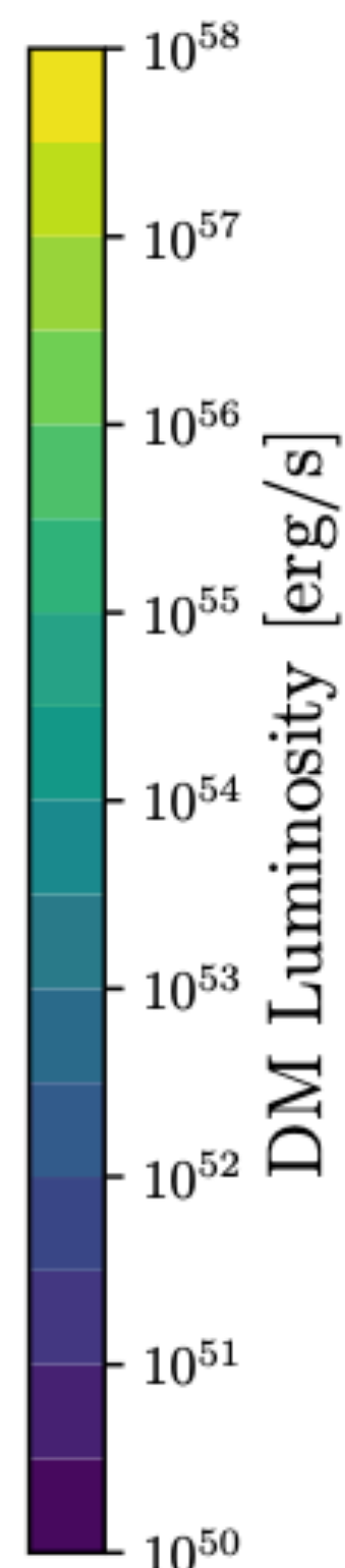
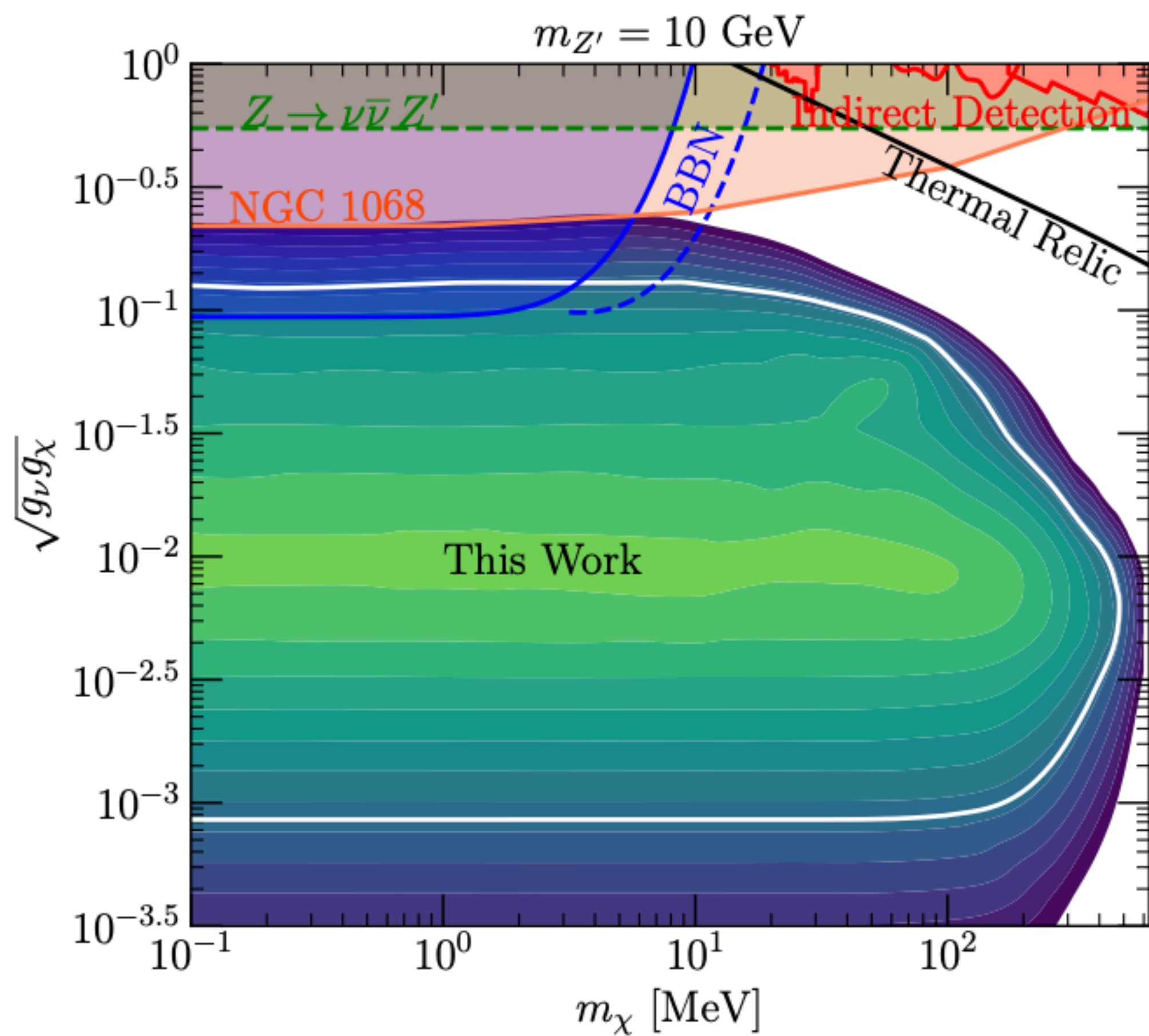
# Astrophysical Constraints on NSSI



[Bustamante *et al.*, 2001.04994]



# New Supernova Constraints on Neutrino-DM Interaction



Cappiello, BD, Patwardhan, [2503.09691](https://arxiv.org/abs/2503.09691)