

# BSM Physics with nuSTORM



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Exploring the Physics Opportunities of nuSTORM

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- Highly segmented detectors capable of precision operation at high event rate. Detectors with inherent 3D tracking (or very precise timing) capability over  $4\pi$  are required.
- Excellent muon and electron ID capability.
- Excellent energy resolution.
- A magnetized detector for charge identification. In addition, reconstruction via spectrometry can be applied to event reconstruction as opposed to being done via calorimetry. This is particularly important for high-energy ( $E_\nu \geq 10$  GeV) neutrino interactions where the outgoing muon's momentum must be measured via spectrometry.
- Excellent particle ID, ie, p/ $\pi$ /K separation at momenta from a few hundred MeV/c to a few GeV/c.
- Neutron detection capability (with energy determination).
- A variety of nuclear targets to measure cross-sections as a function of the nuclear target mass number A.
- Micron-scale resolution for charm and tau identification or the capability to tag charm and taus in the final state via kinematics.

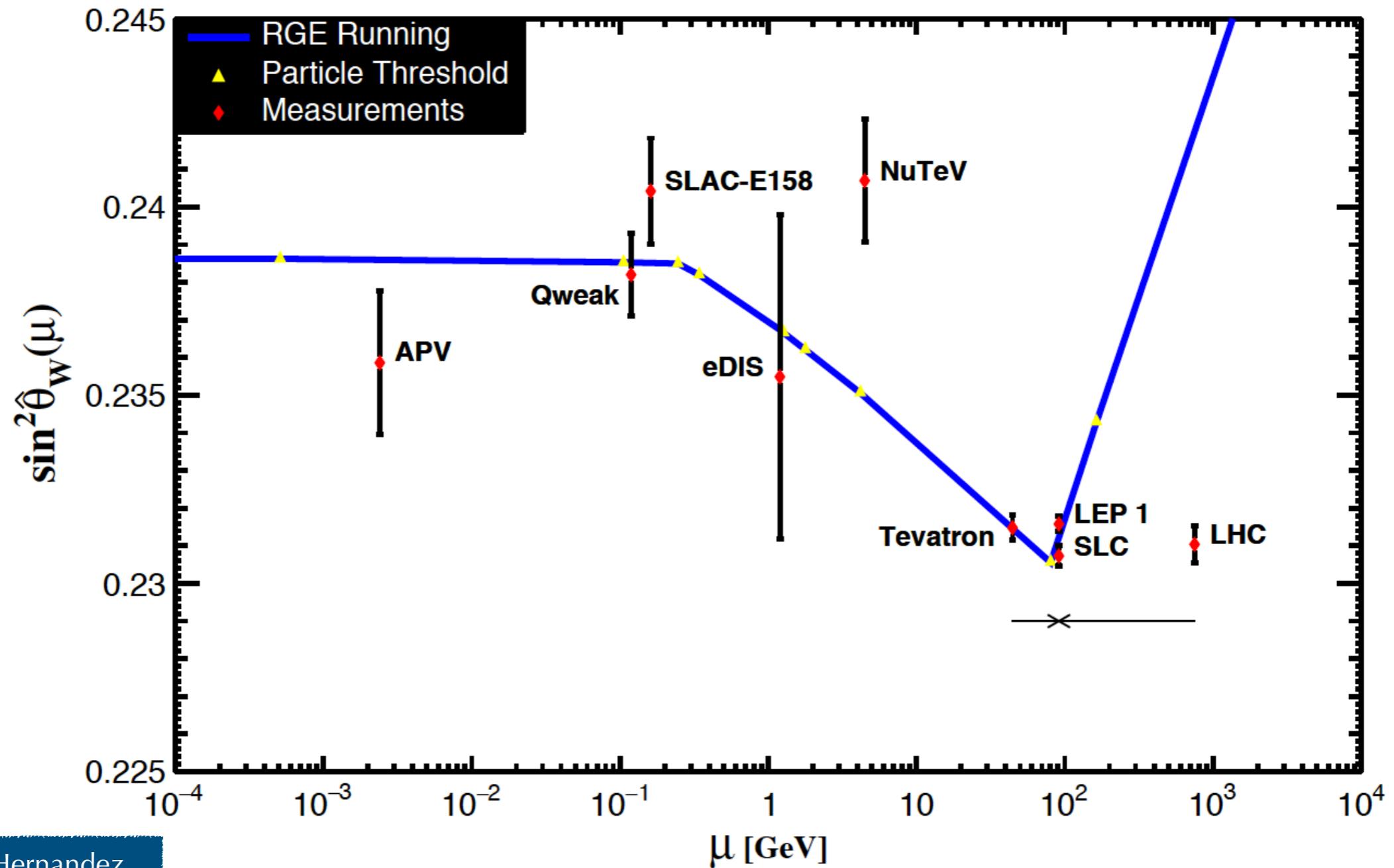
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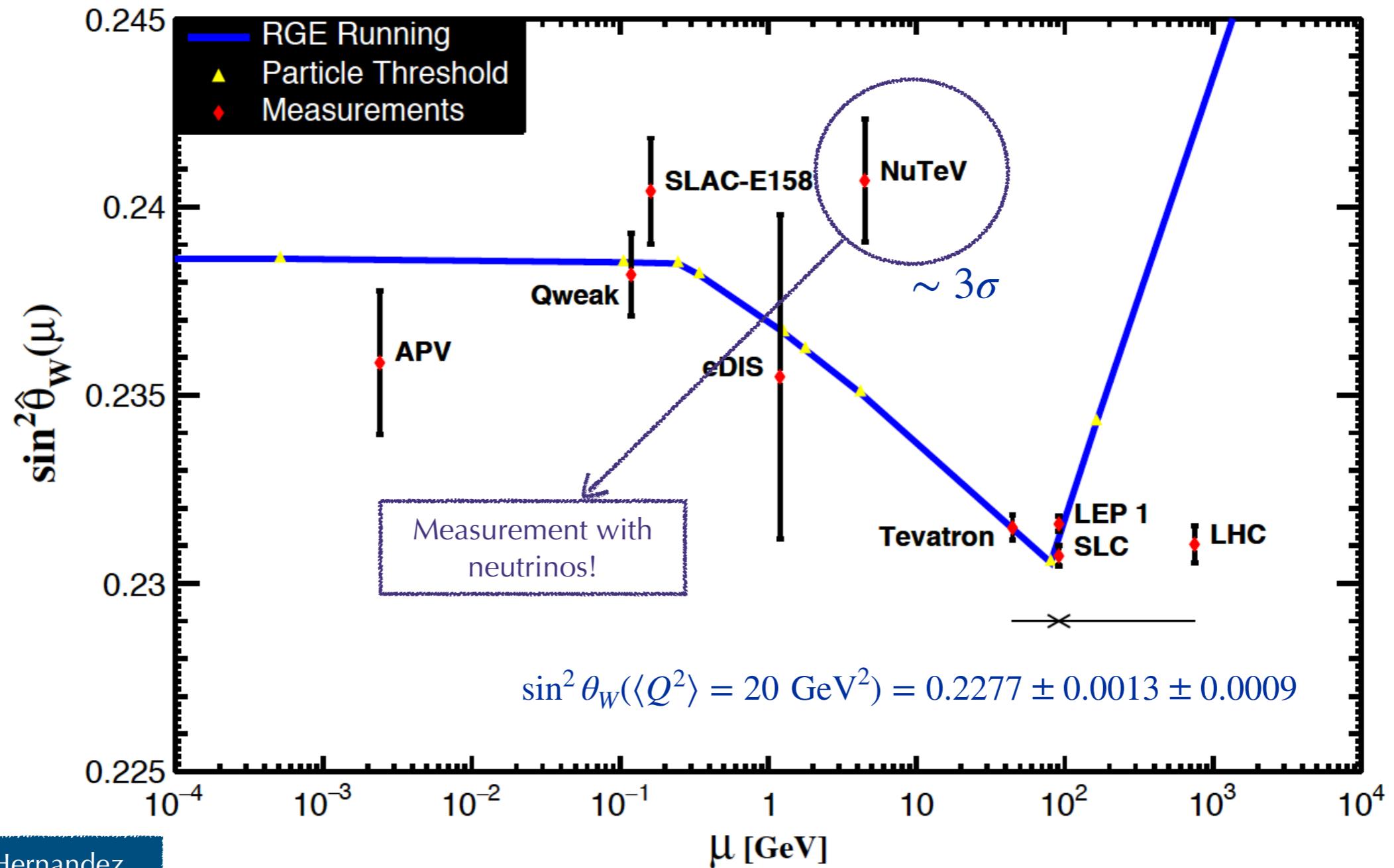


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# Neutrino-electron scattering

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \propto g_1^2 + g_2^2 \left(1 - \frac{E_R}{E_\nu}\right)^2$$

For  $\nu_\alpha e^- \rightarrow \nu_\alpha e^-$ :

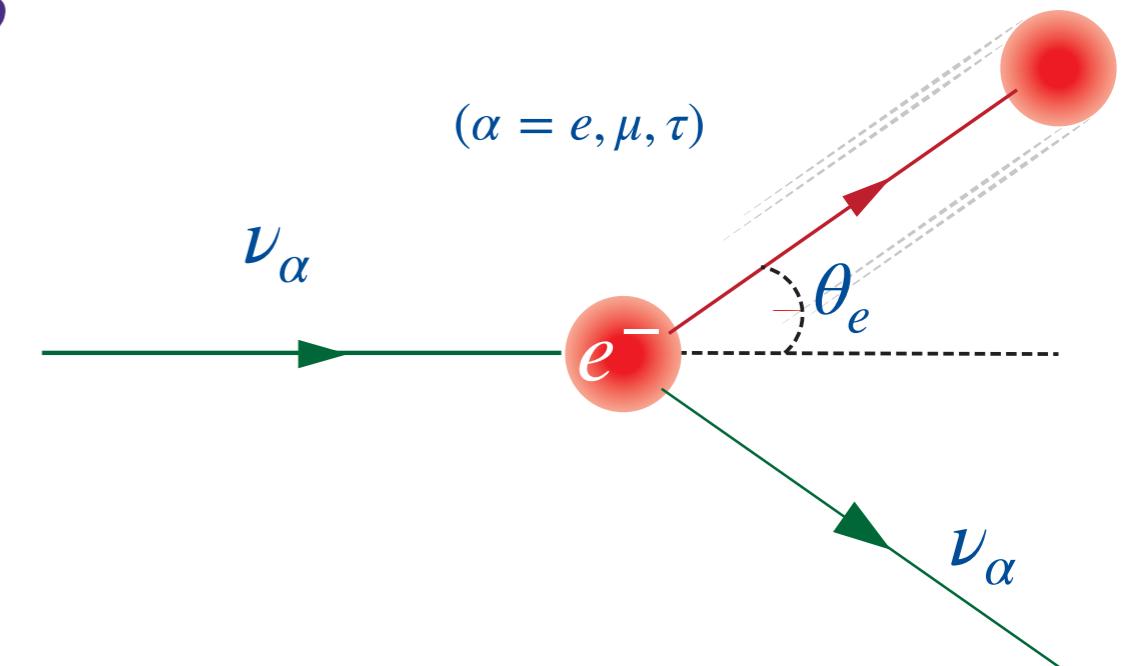
$$g_1 = g_V + g_A + 2\delta_{ae}$$

$$g_2 = g_V - g_A$$



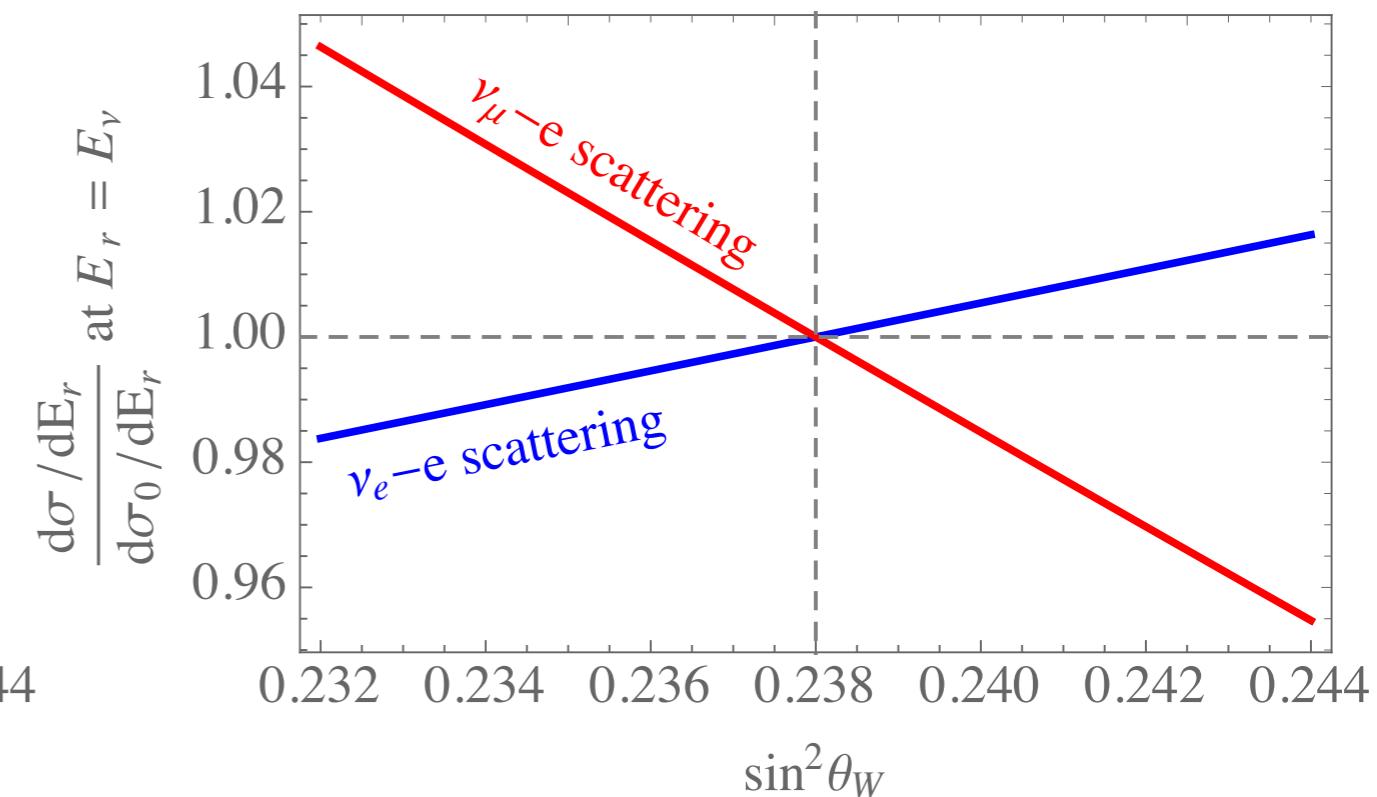
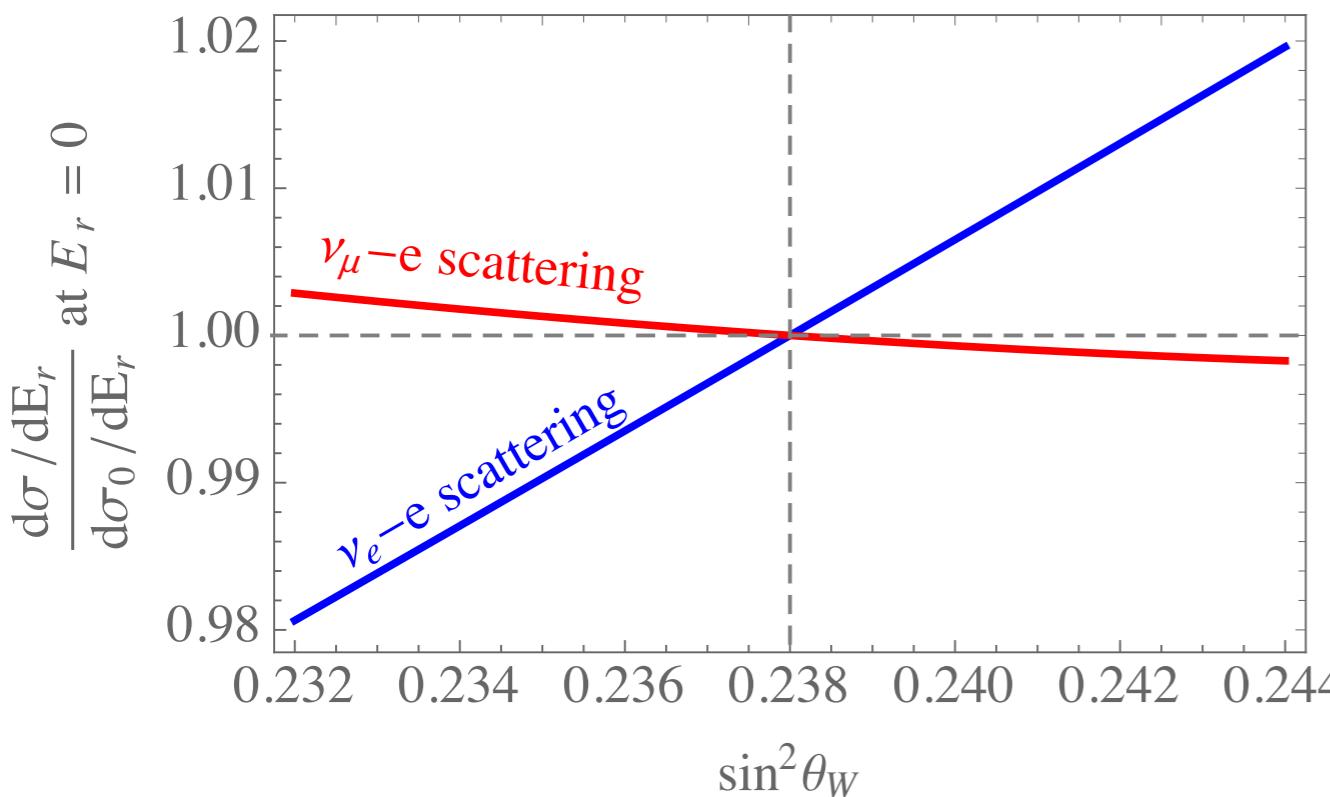
For  $\bar{\nu}_\alpha e^- \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\alpha e^-$ :

$$g_2 \leftrightarrow g_1$$

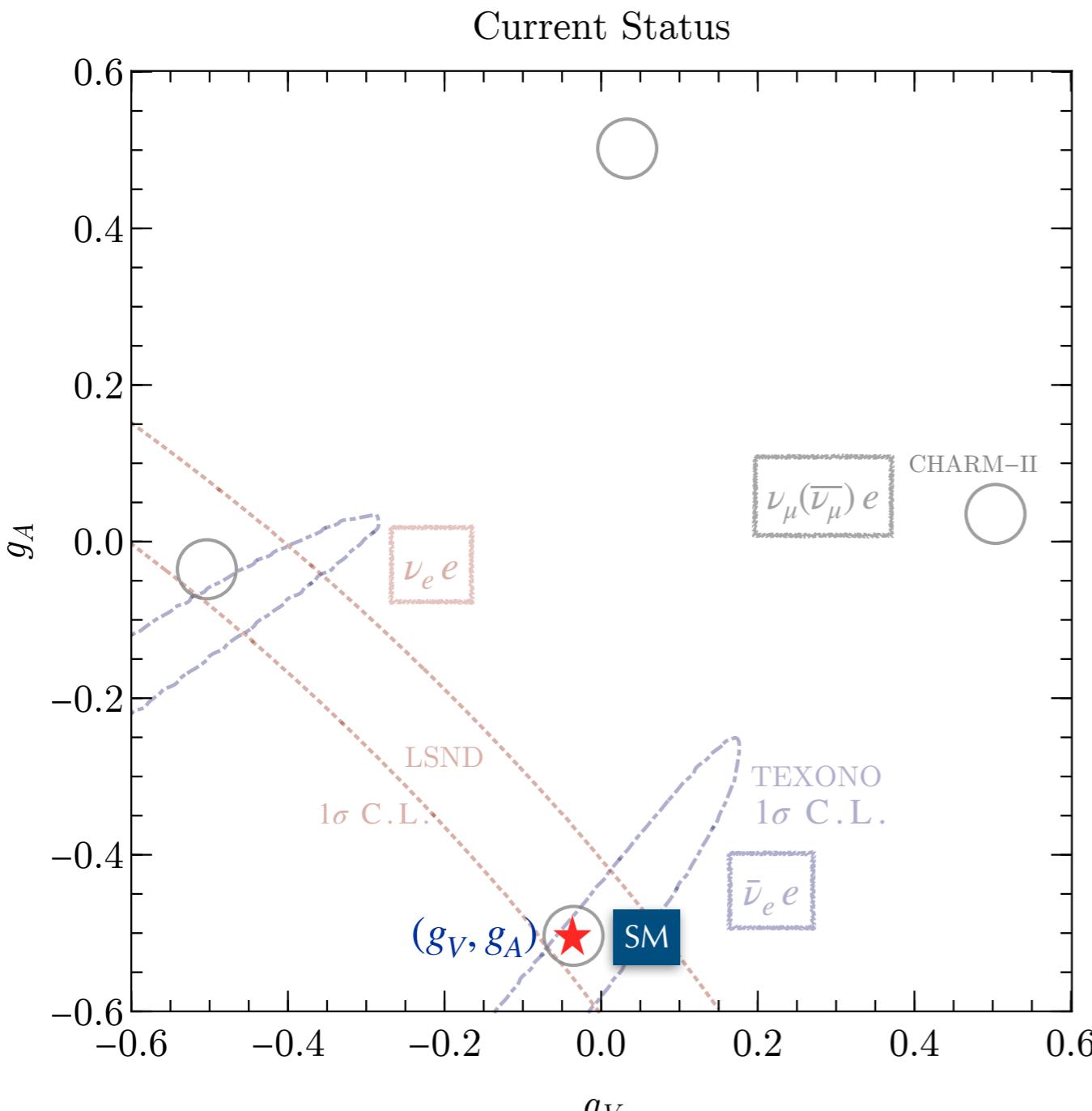


In the SM:

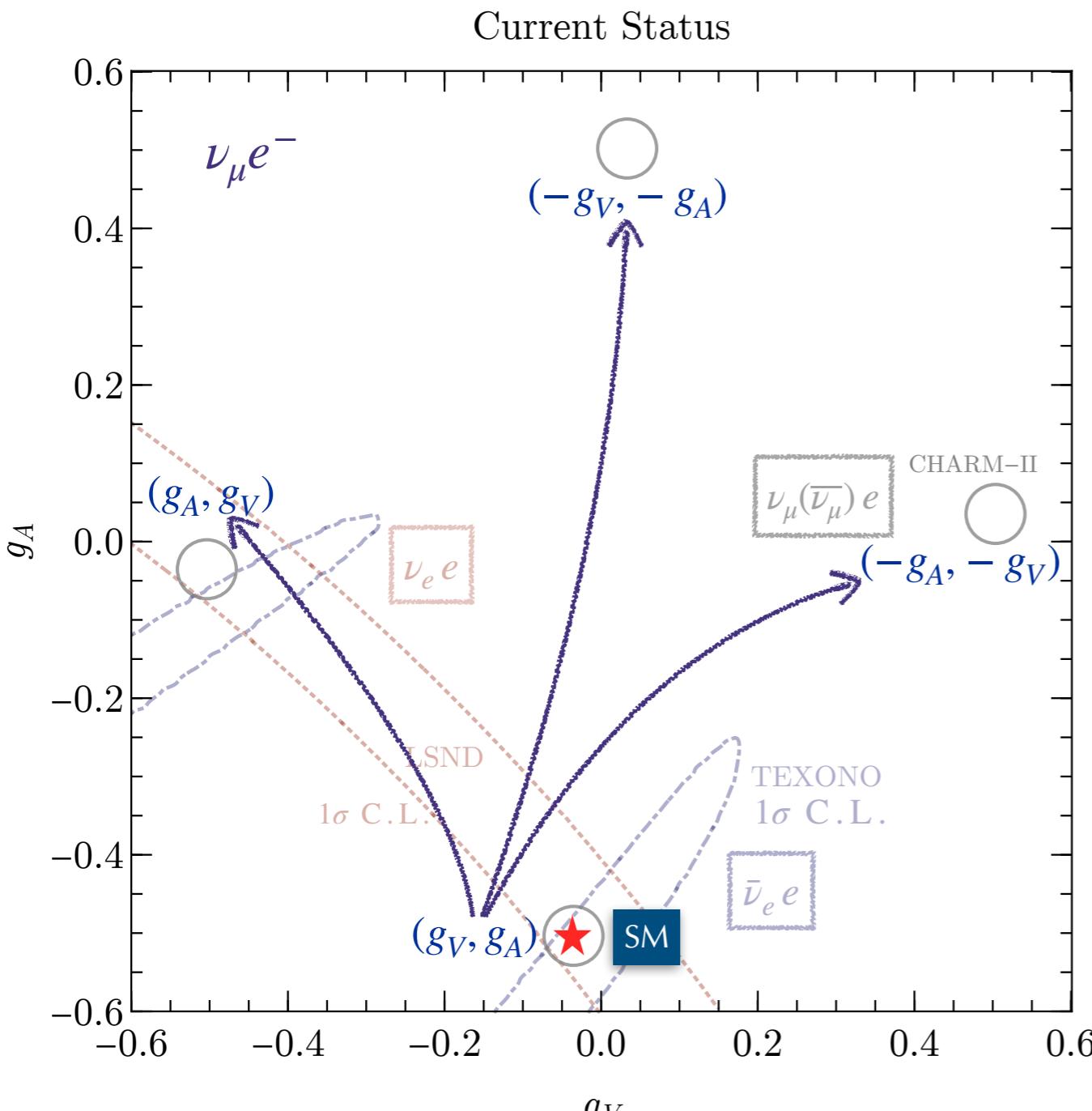
$$g_A = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad g_V = -\frac{1}{2} + 2 \sin^2 \theta_W$$



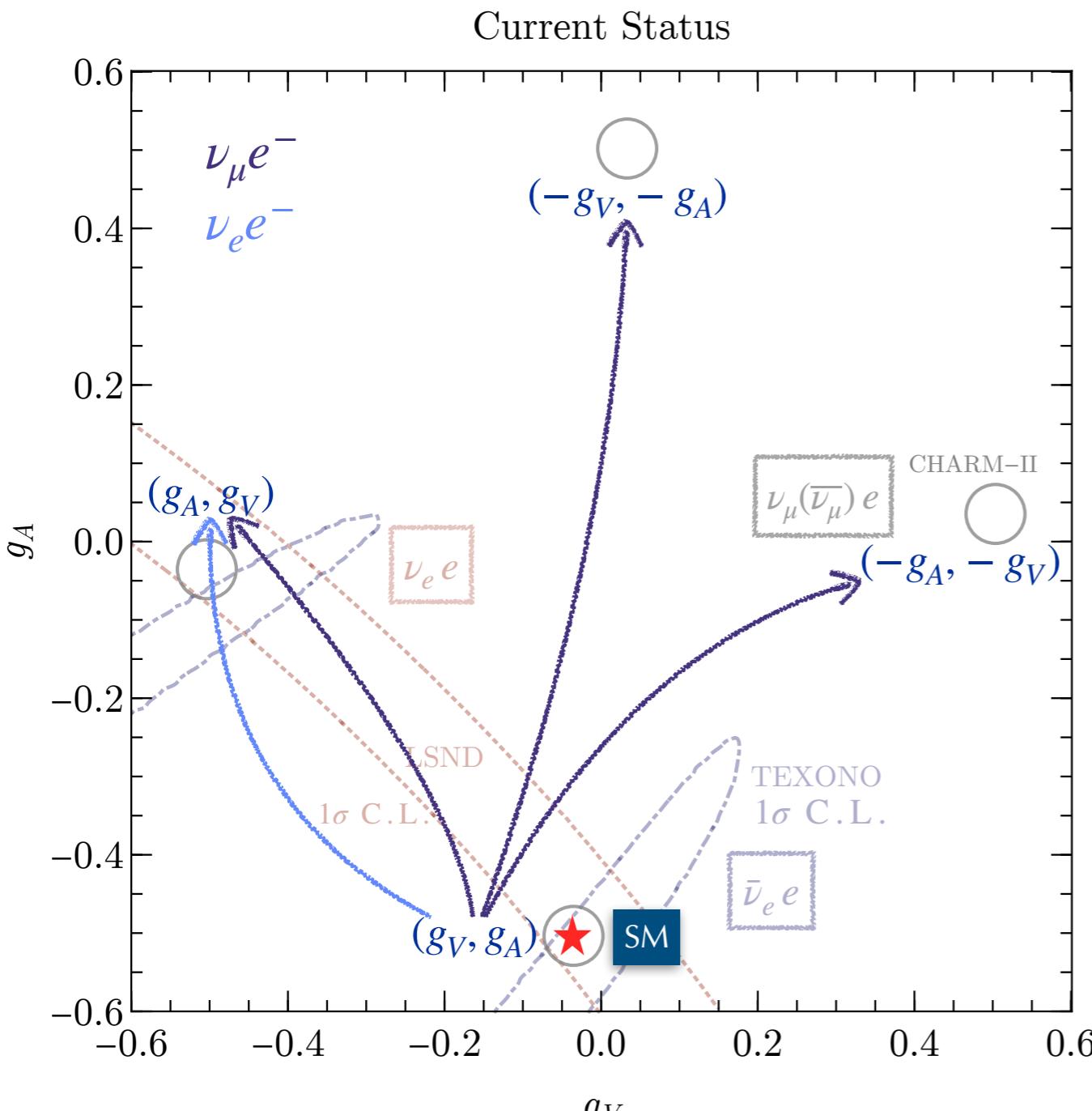
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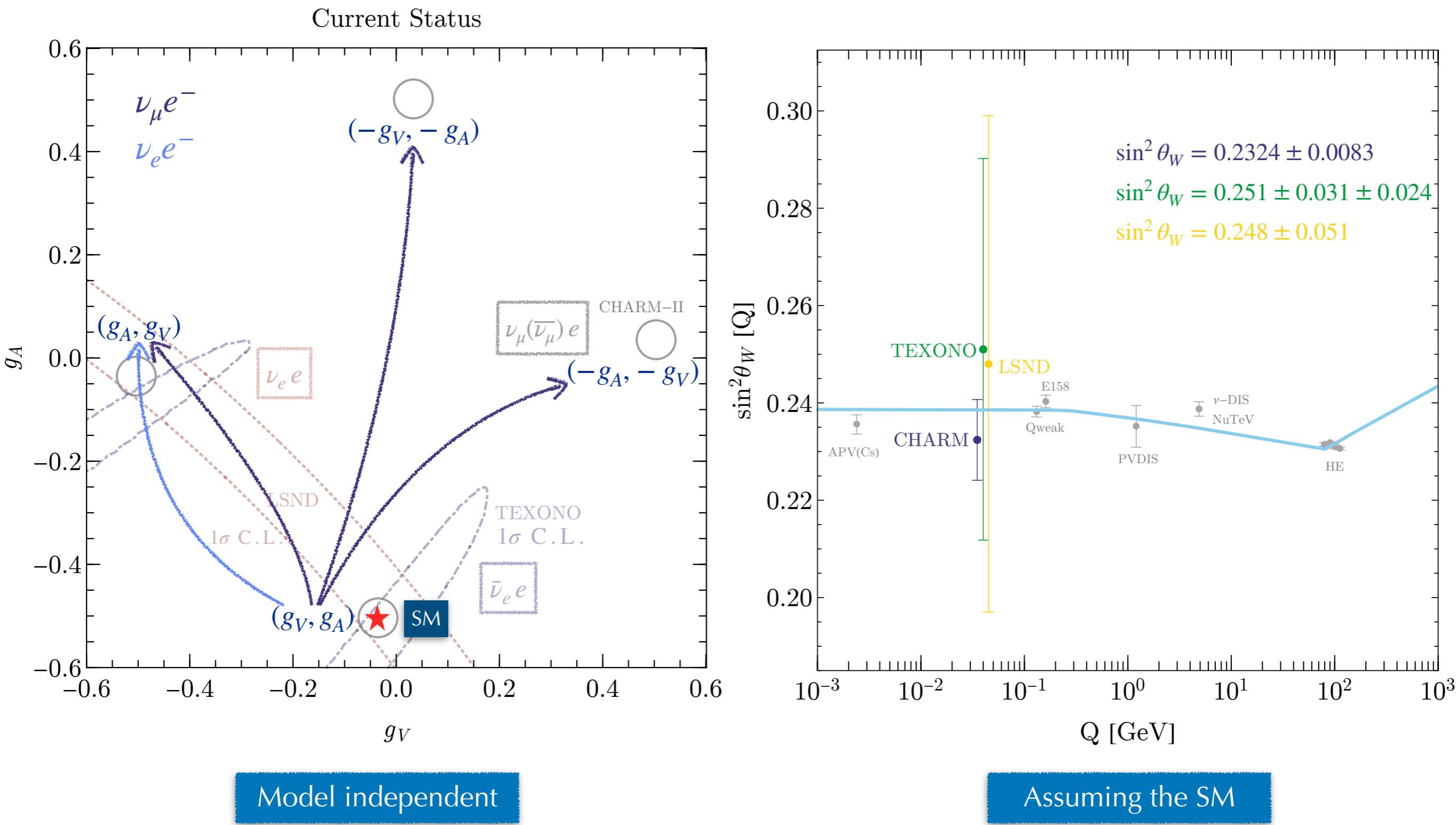


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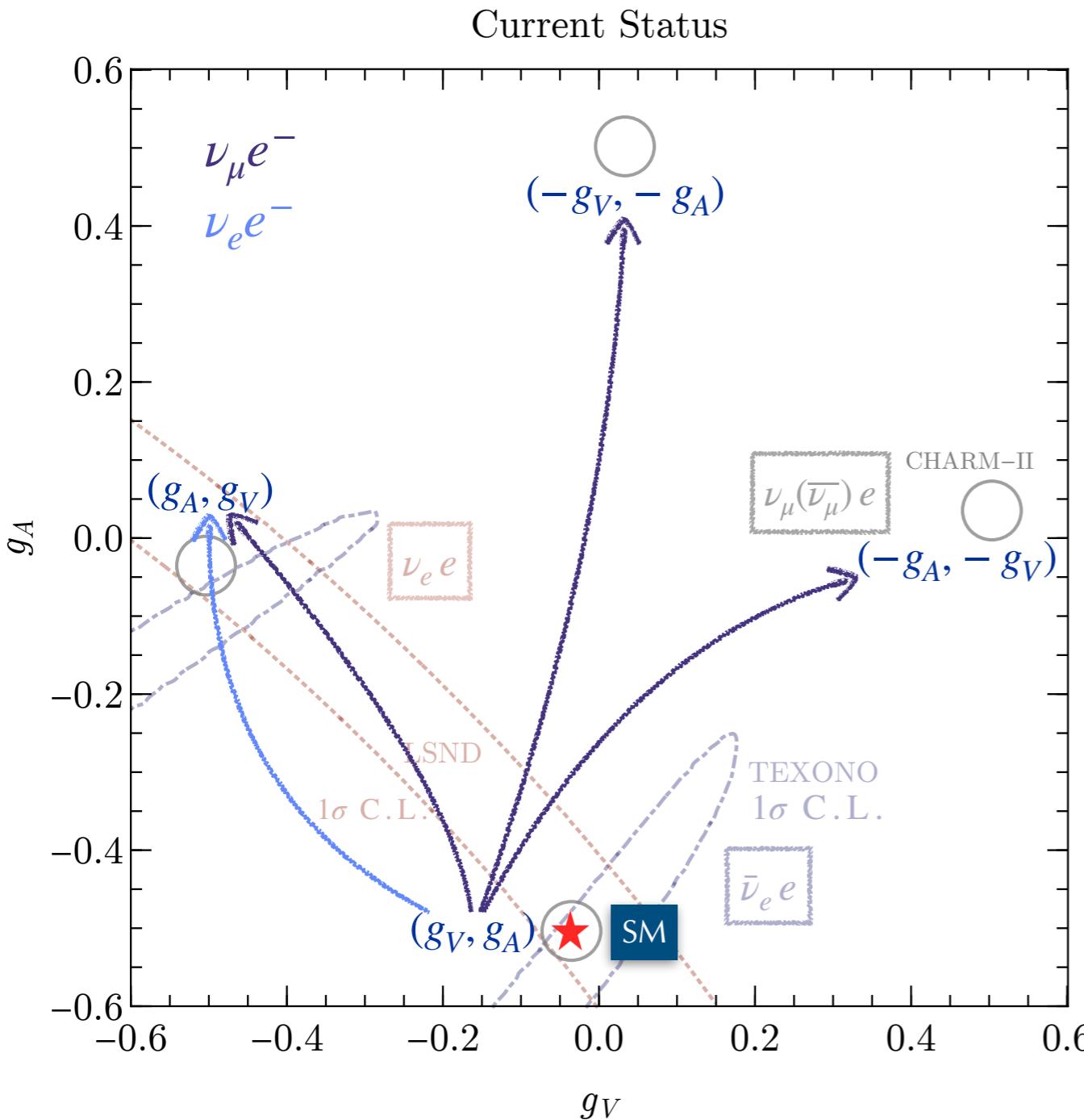
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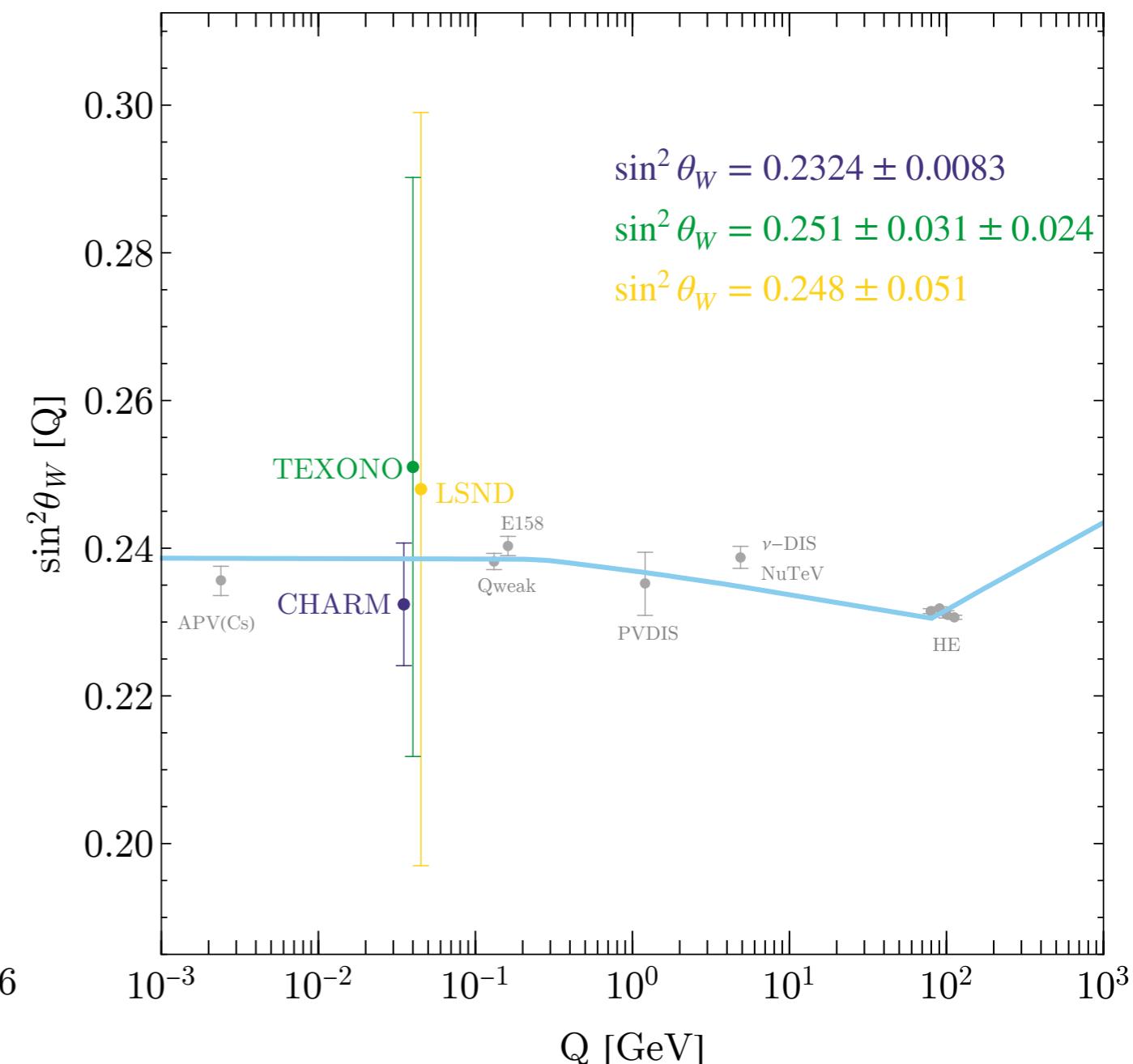


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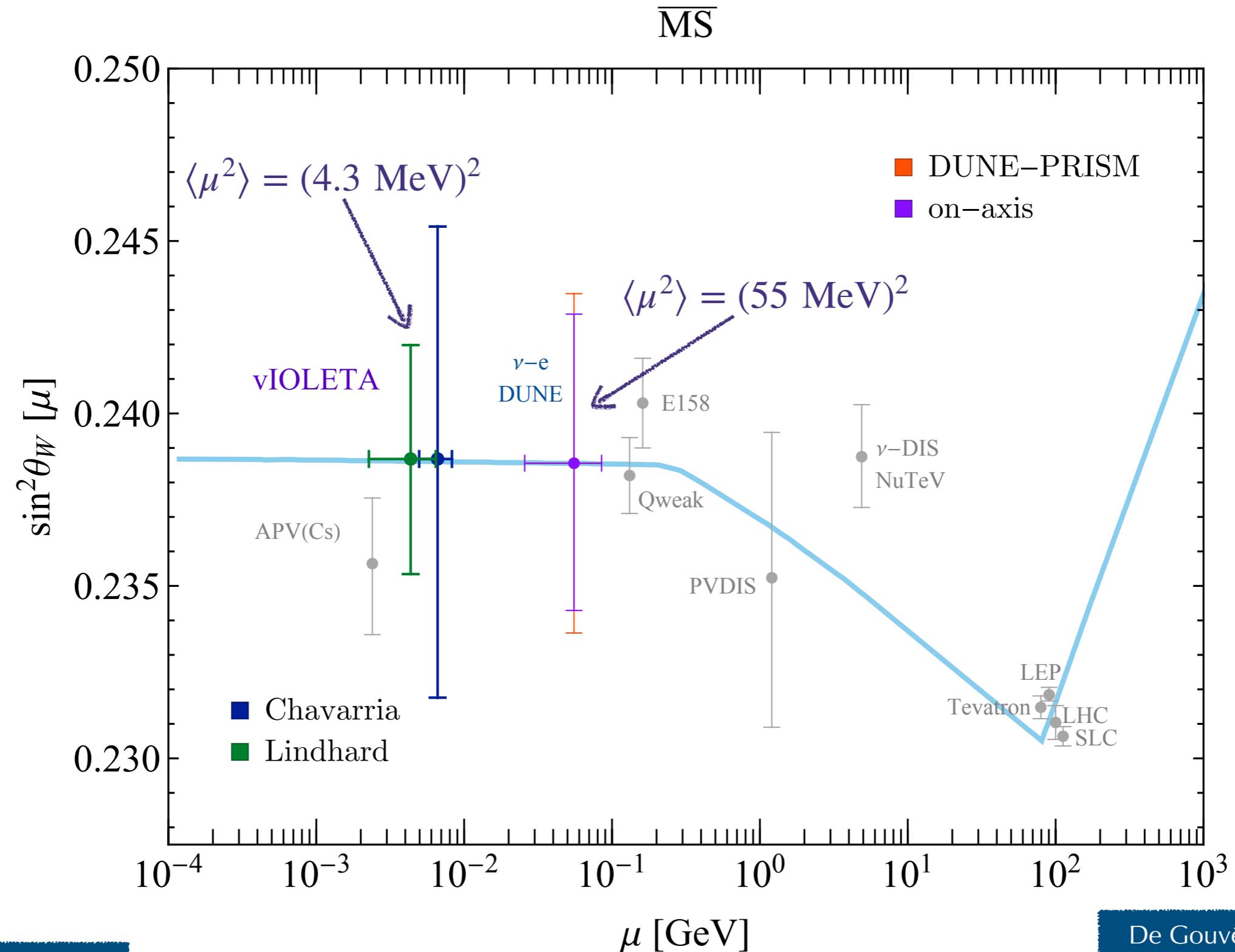


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Assuming the SM

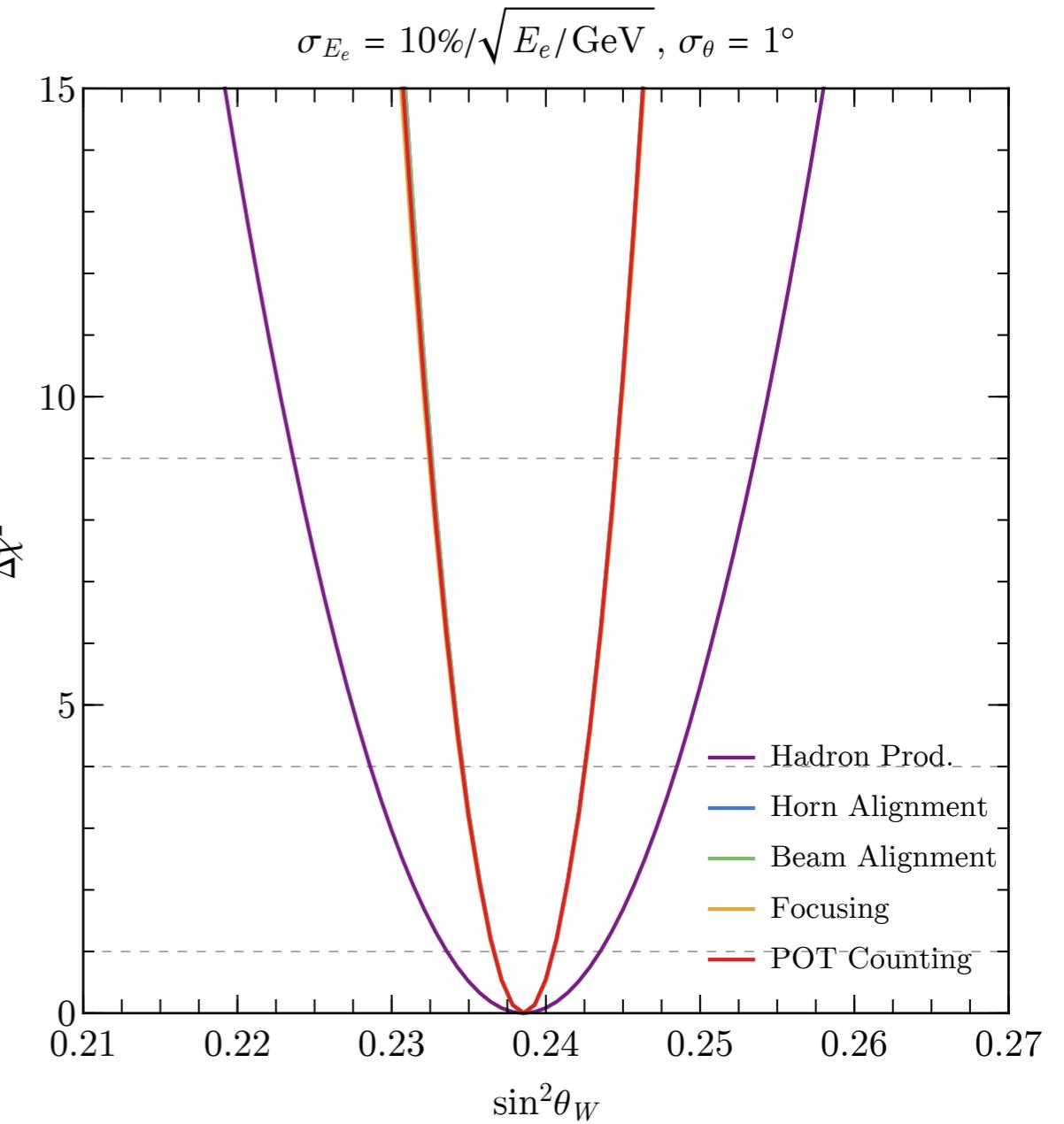
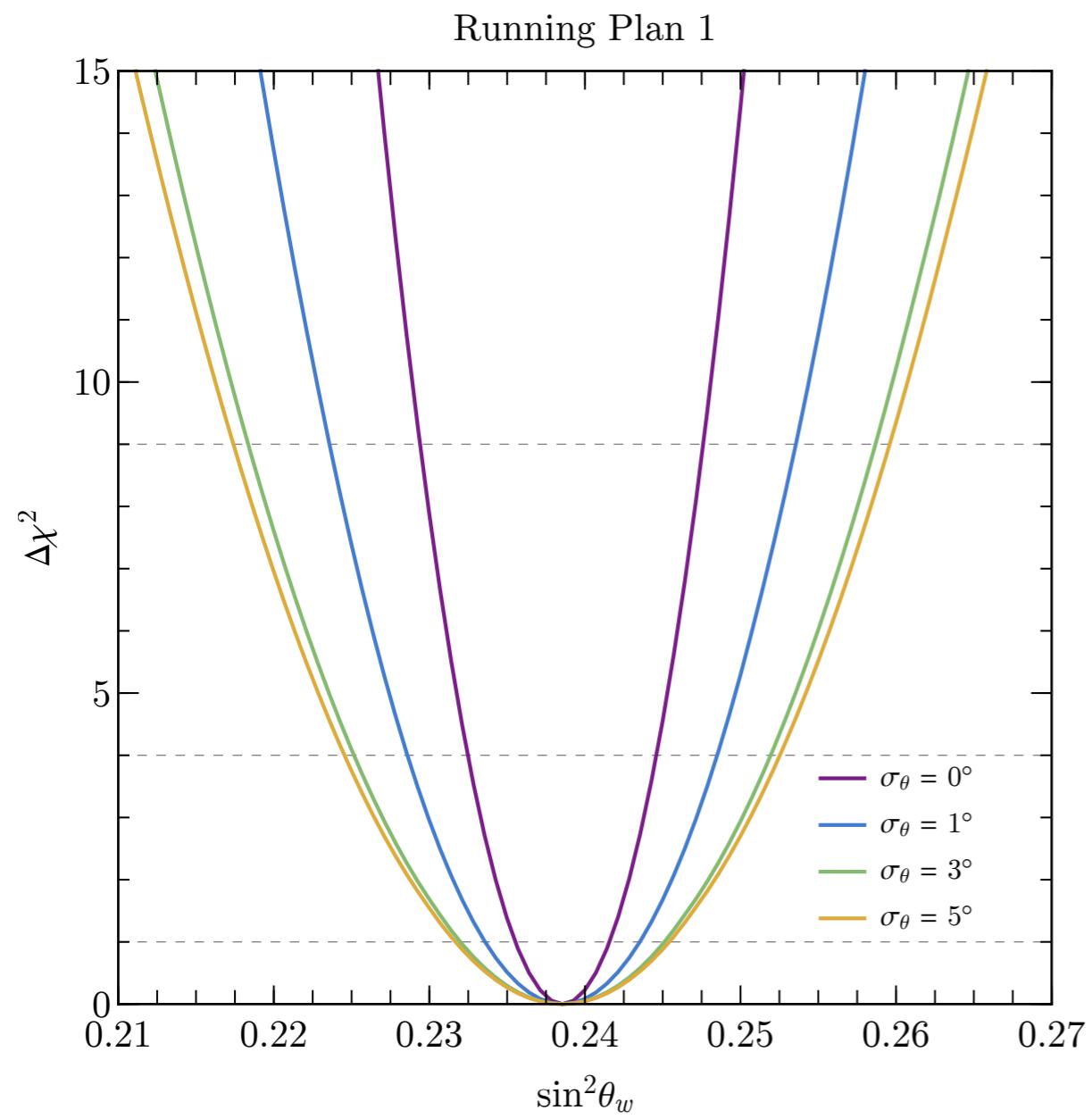
# Measuring $\sin^2 \theta_W$ with neutrino scatterings



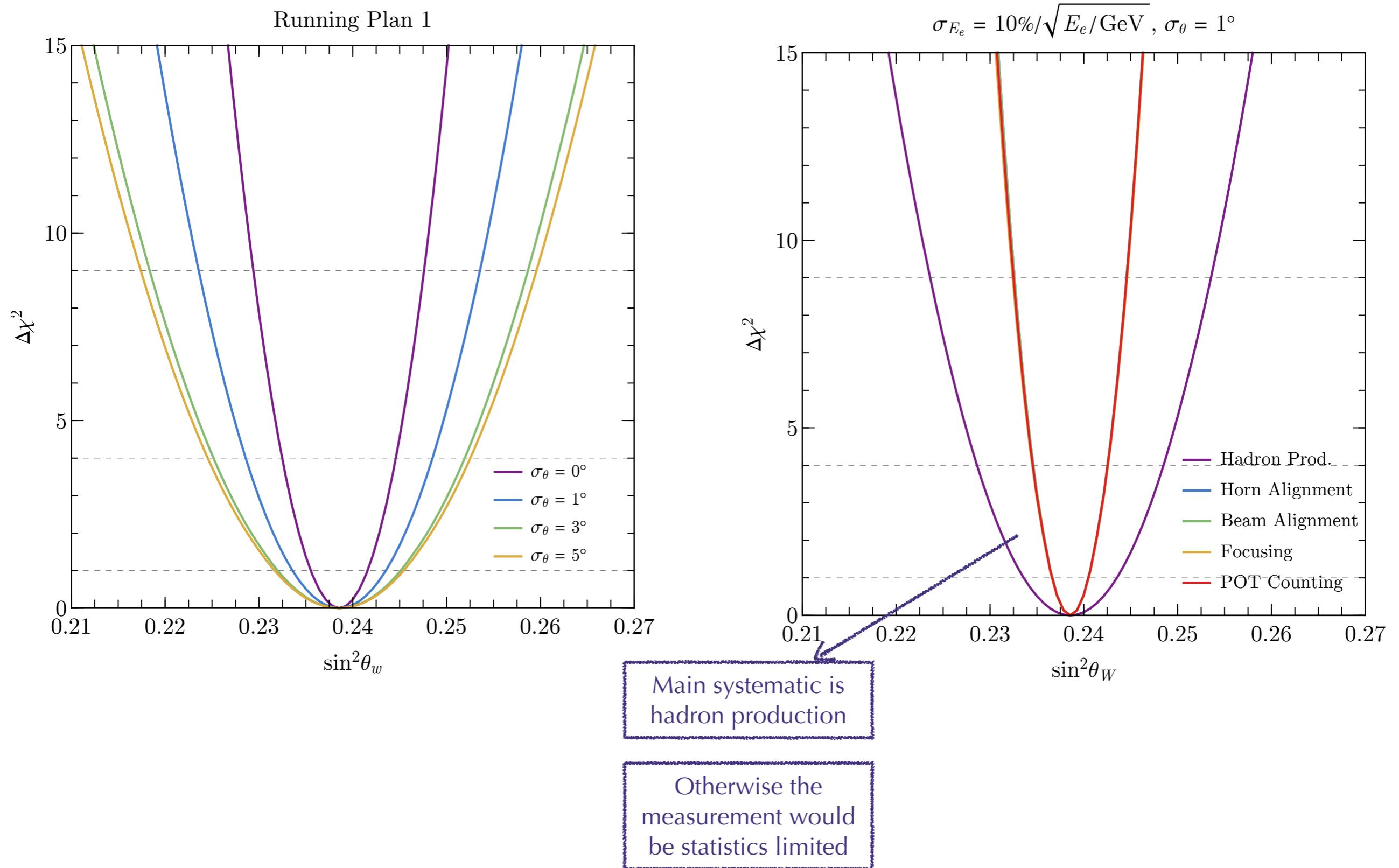
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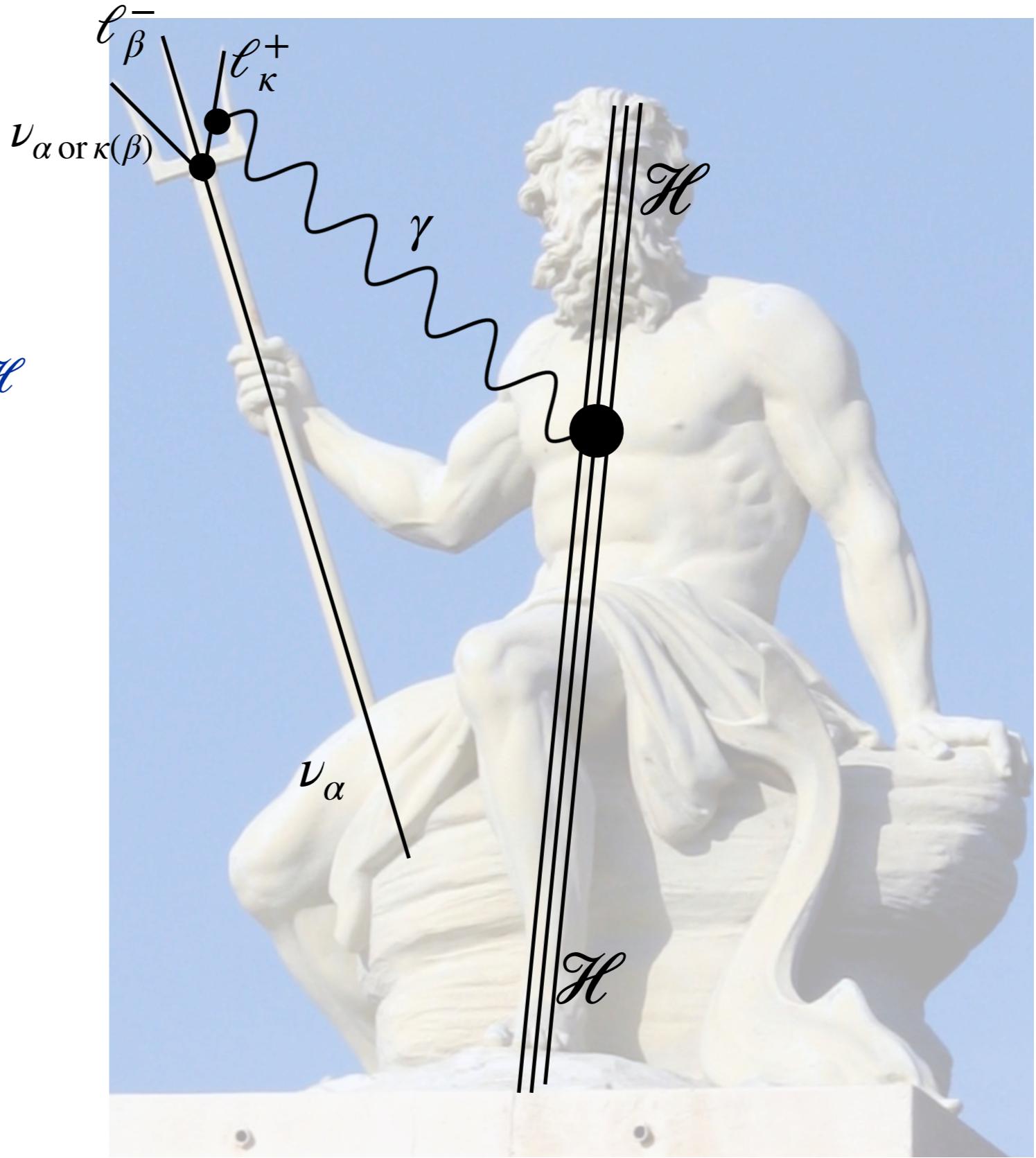


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CHARM II

PLB 245 (1990) 271

$$\frac{\sigma_{\text{CHARM II}}}{\sigma_{\text{SM}}} = 1.58 \pm 0.57$$

CCFR

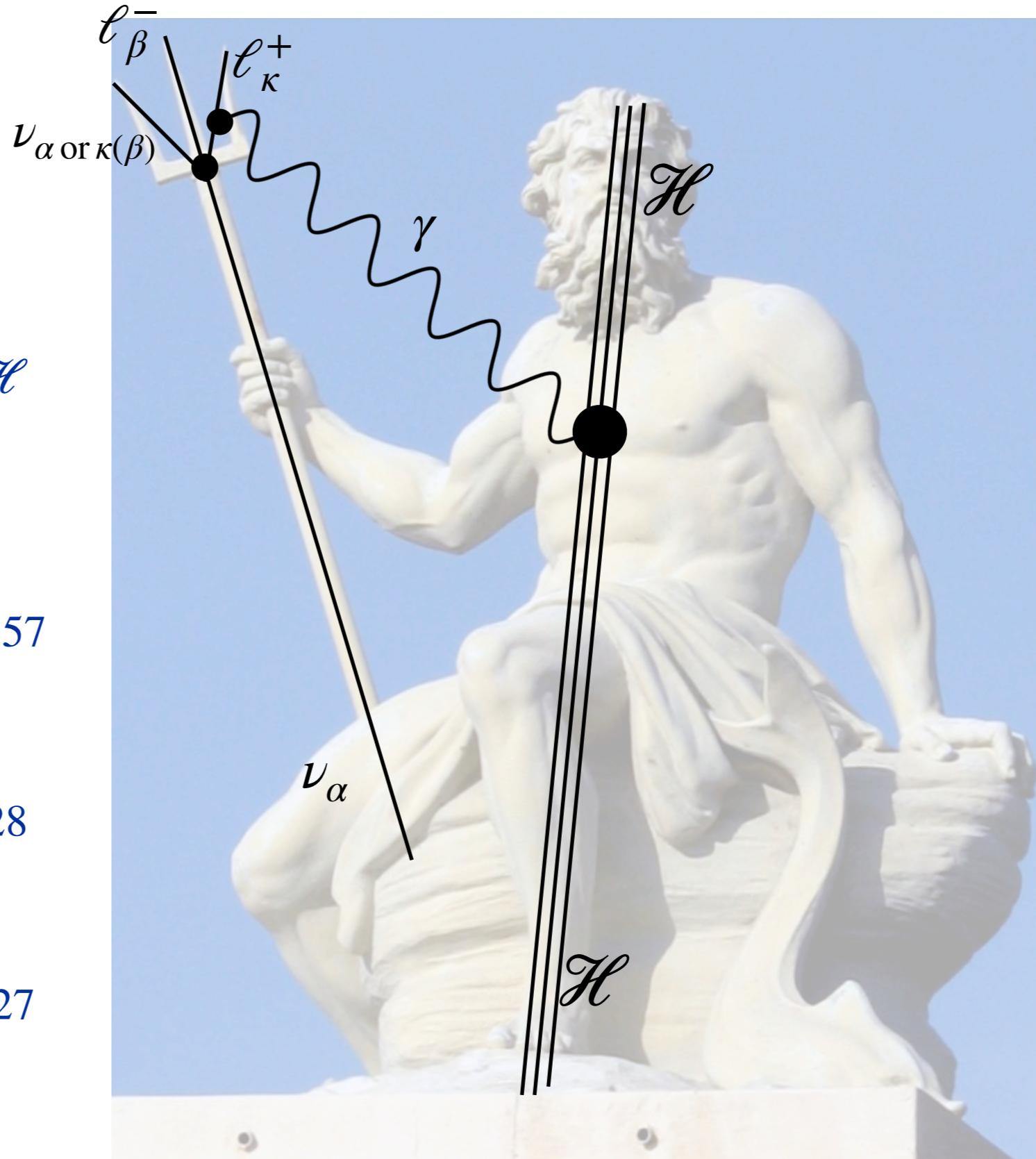
PRL 66 (1991) 3117

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NuTeV

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Vancouver 1998, High energy physics, vol. 1



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Backgrounds??

Ballet et al.  
1807.10973

Estimated efficiency from cuts

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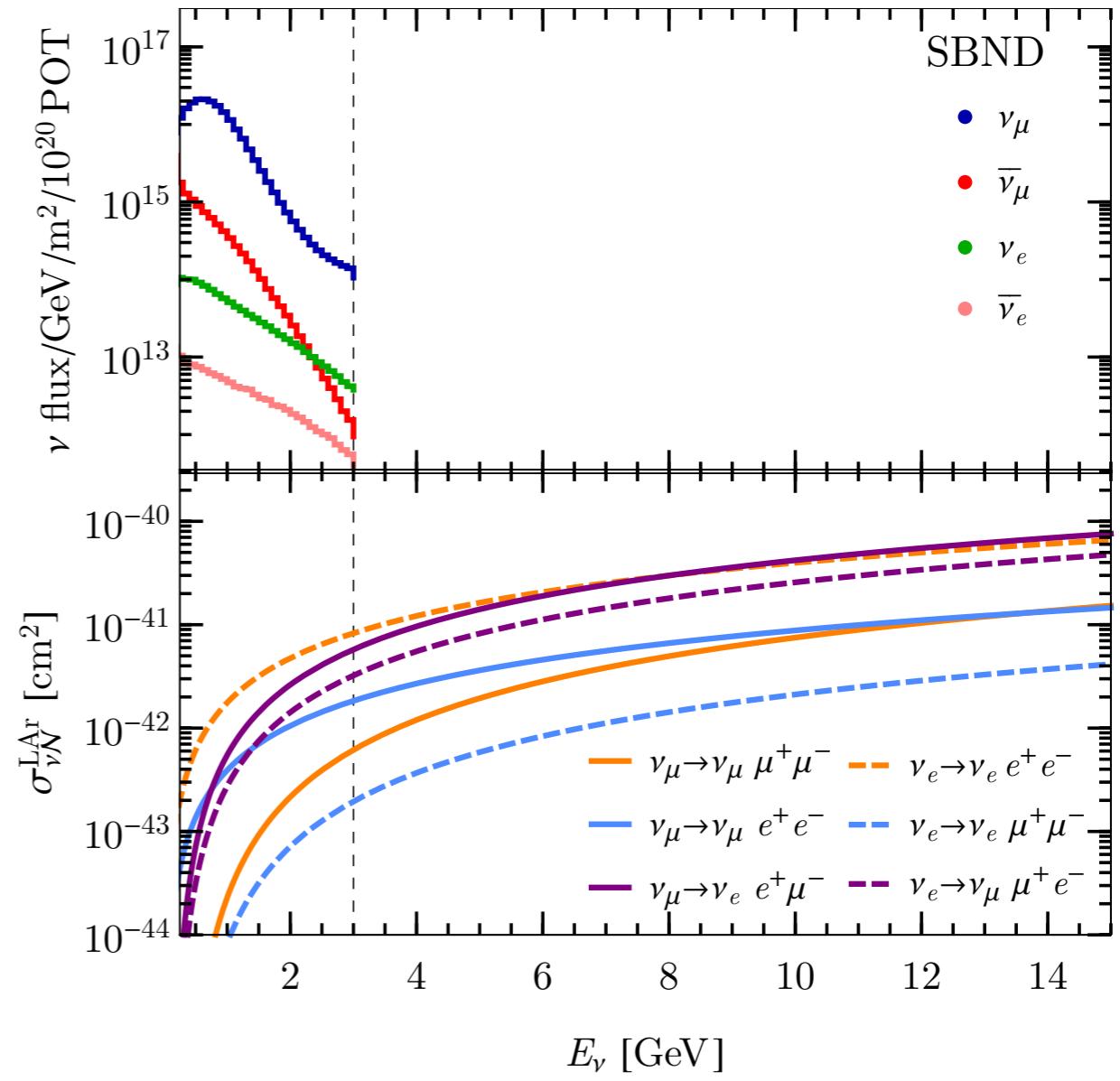
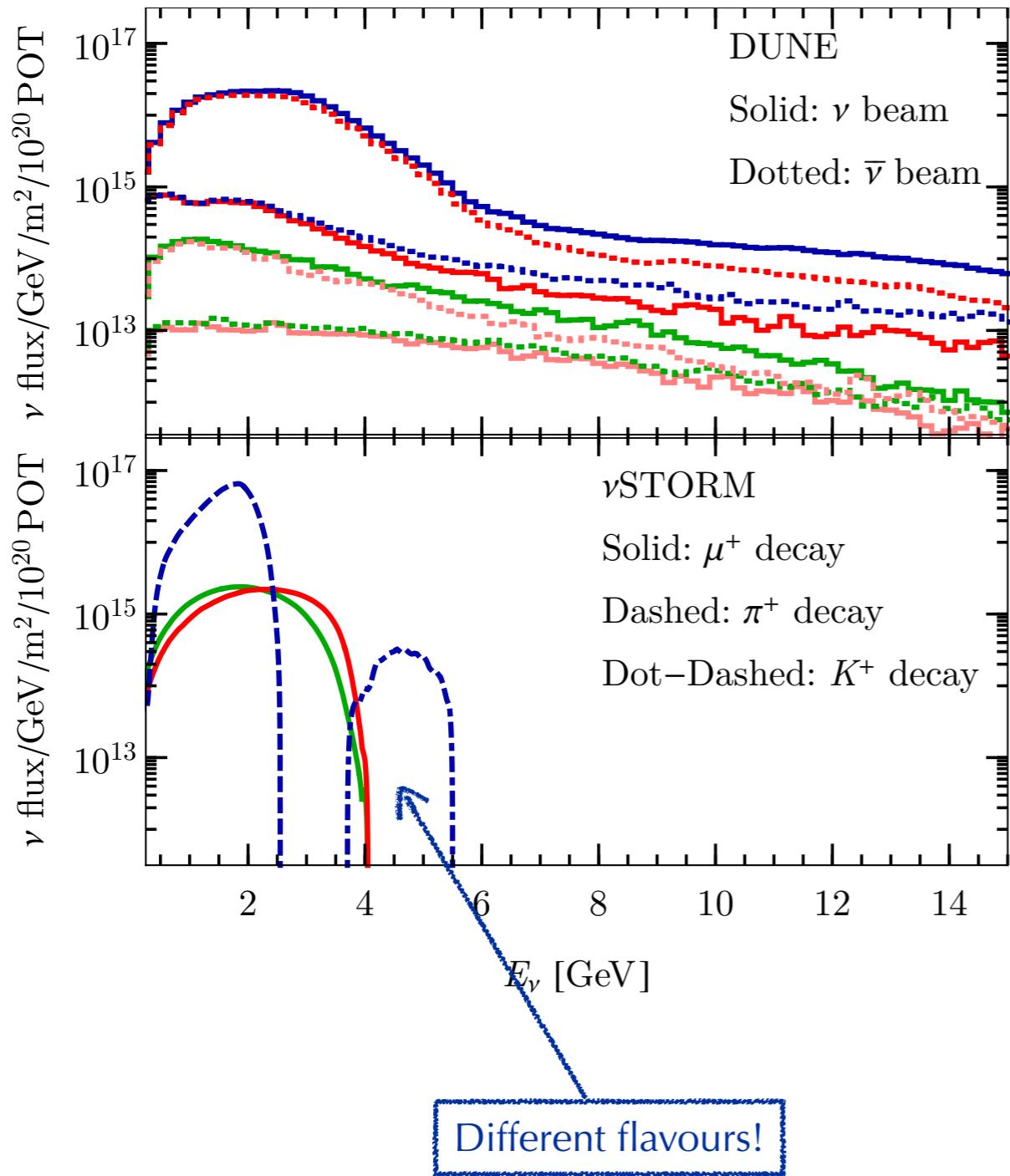
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SBND	110	$6.6 \times 10^{20}$	112	0 – 3
$\mu$ BooNE	470	$1.32 \times 10^{21}$	89	0 – 3
ICARUS	600	$6.6 \times 10^{20}$	476	0 – 3
DUNE	574	$12.81 (12.81) \times 10^{21}$	50	0 – 40
$\nu$ STORM	50	$10^{21}$	100	0 – 6

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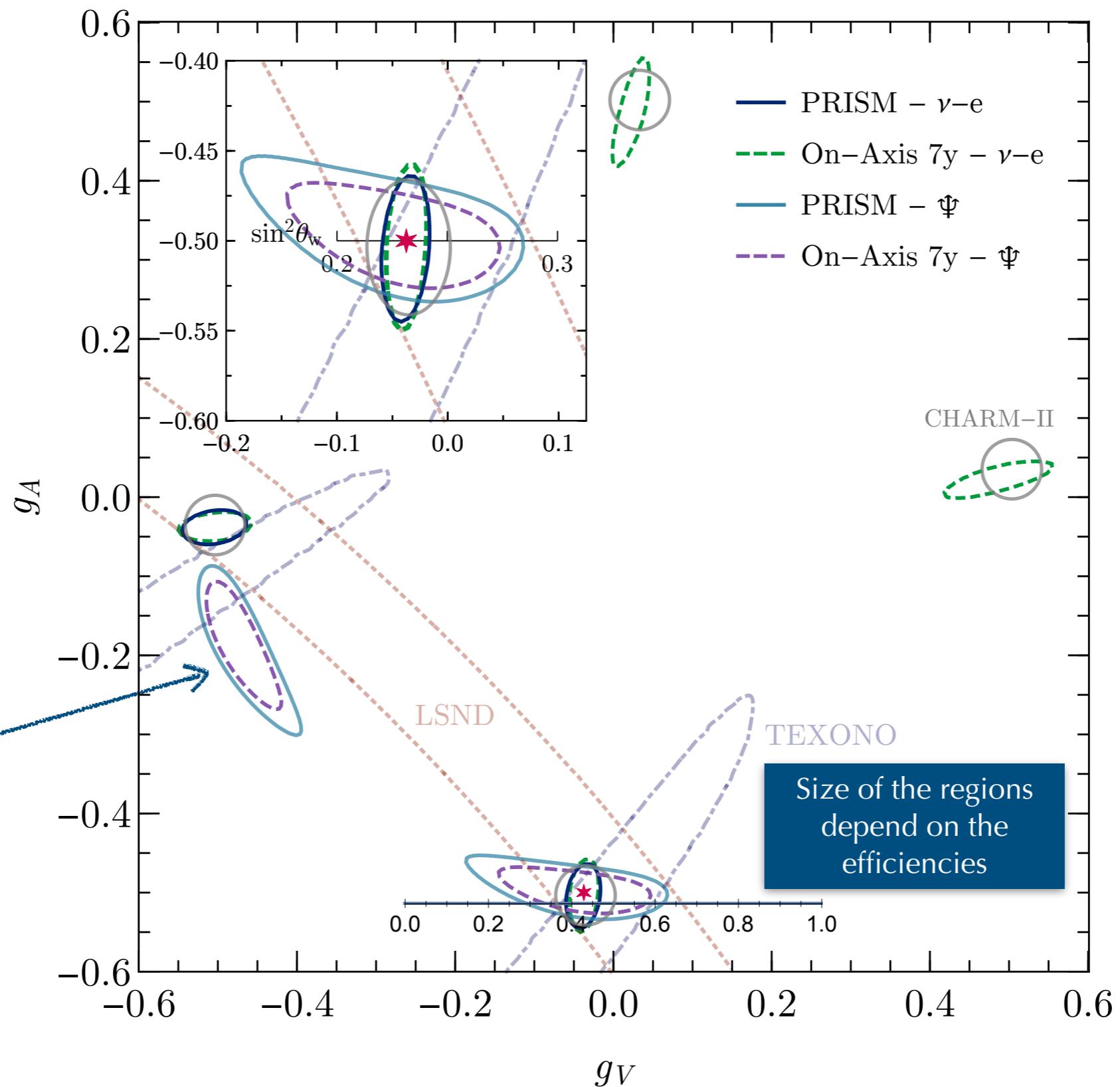
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# Measuring $g_A^{\nu e}$ , $g_V^{\nu e}$

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DUNE  $\nu + \bar{\nu}$  modes, 90% C.L.



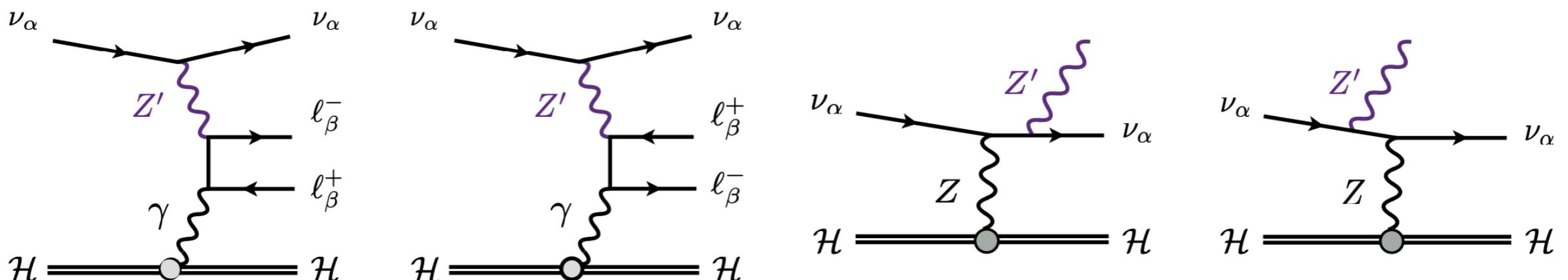
# BSM in tridents

Let's consider a leptophilic  $Z'$

Anomaly free scenarios:  $L_\alpha - L_\beta$   
 $\alpha, \beta = \{e, \mu, \tau\}$



- $lll$  trident:  $\mathcal{H} + \nu_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{H}' + \ell_\alpha^- + \ell_\beta^+ + \ell_\gamma^-$
- $\nu ll$  trident:  $\mathcal{H} + \nu_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{H} + \nu_\beta + \ell_\gamma^+ + \ell_\delta^-$
- $\nu\nu l$  trident:  $\mathcal{H} + \nu_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{H}' + \ell_\alpha^- + \nu_\beta + \bar{\nu}_\beta$
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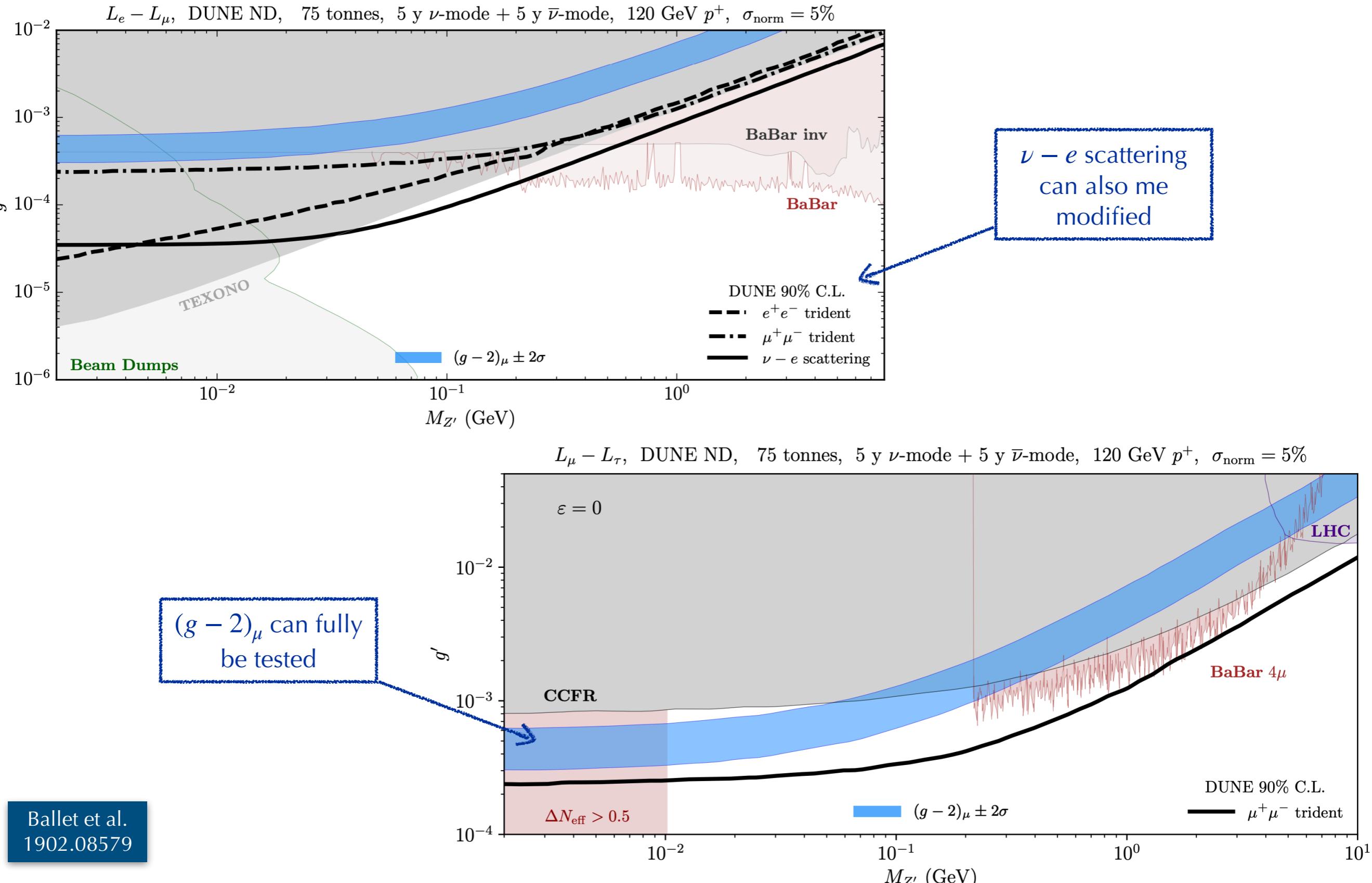


Bethe-Heitler

Ballet et al.  
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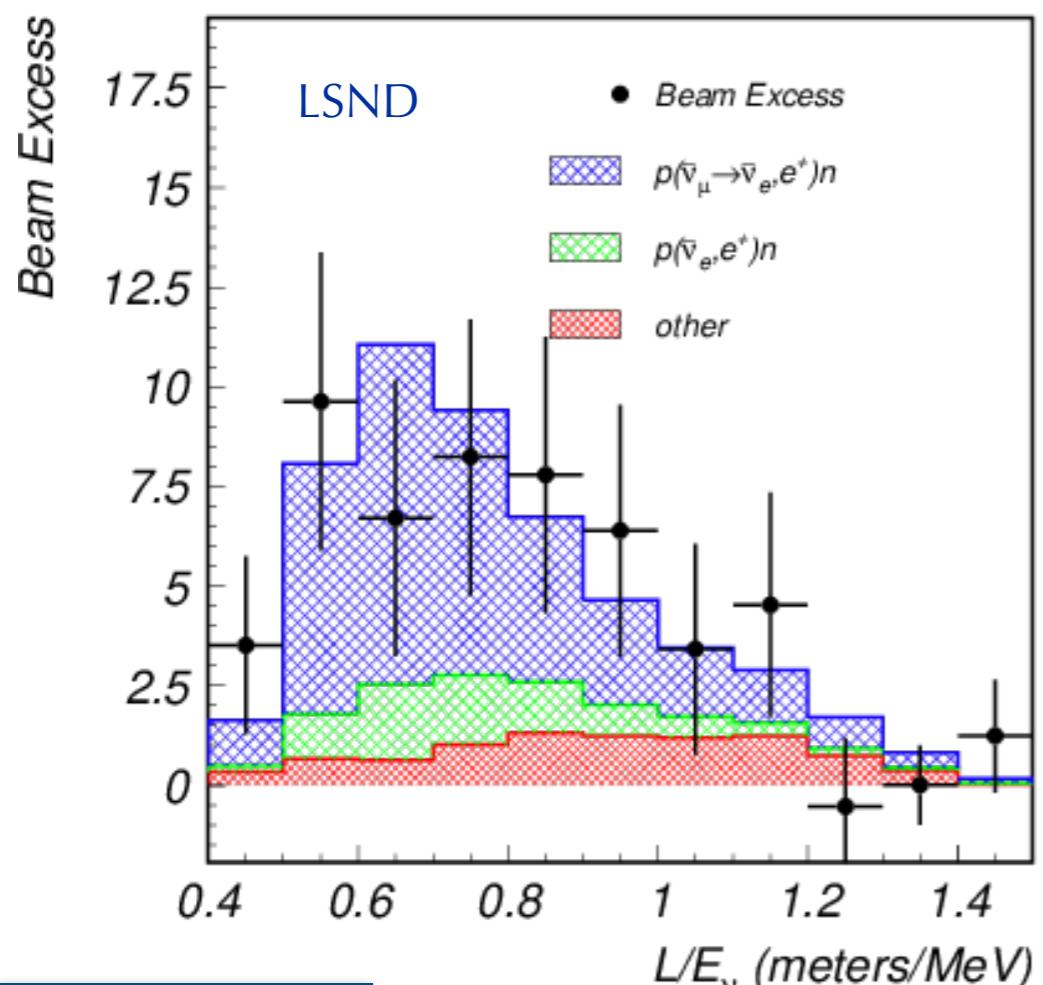
Dark-Bremsstrahlung

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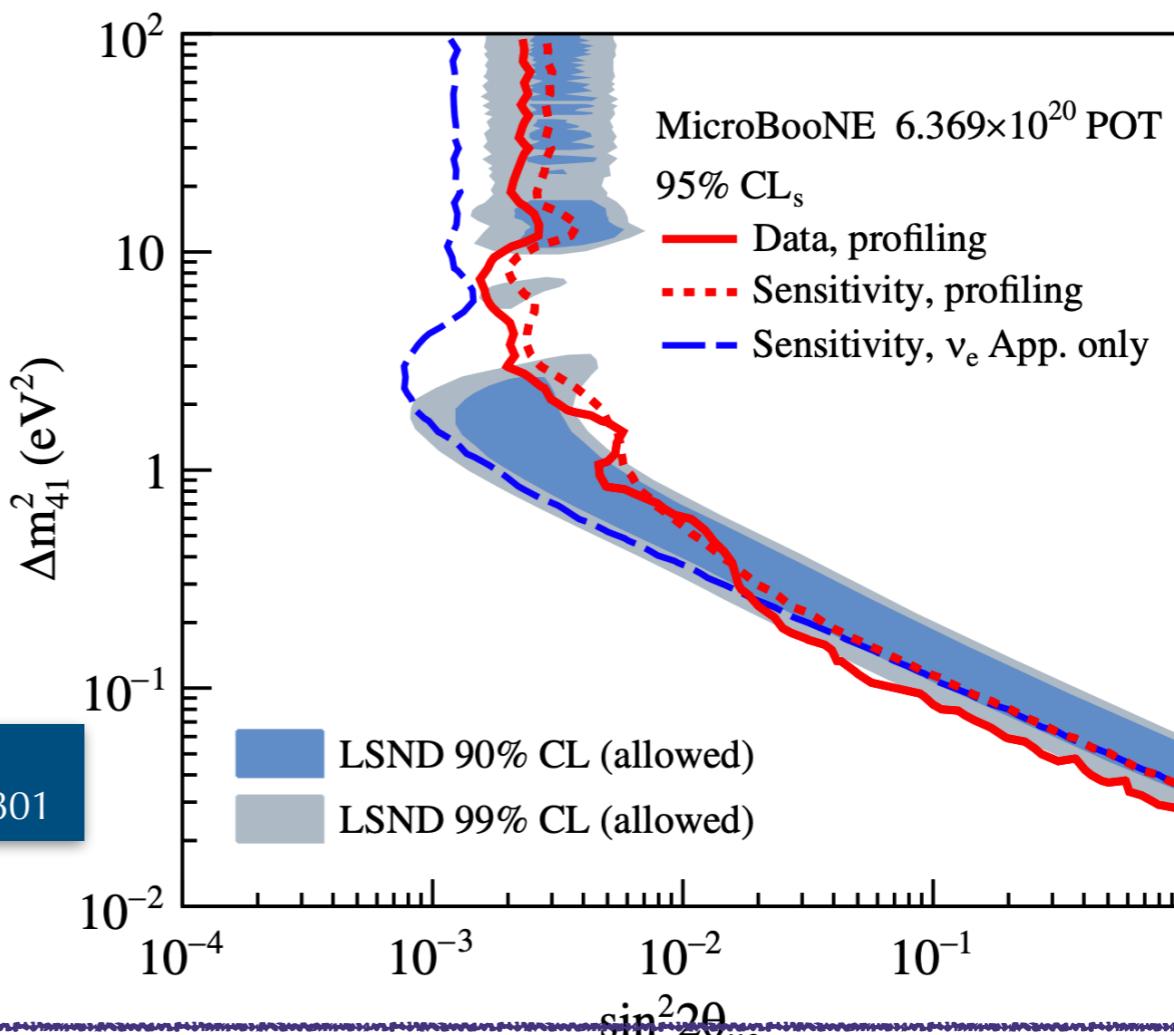
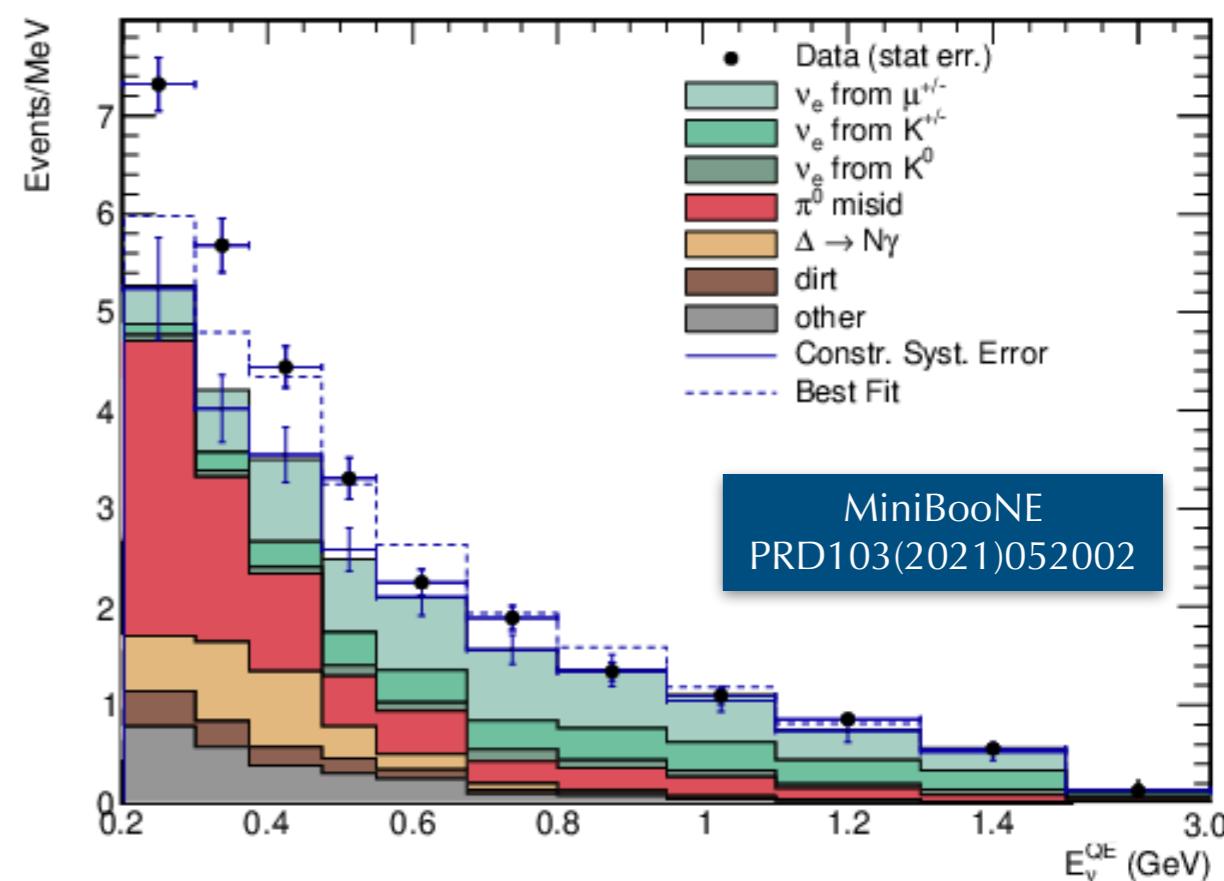


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# eV sterile → solution to LSND and MiniBooNE?



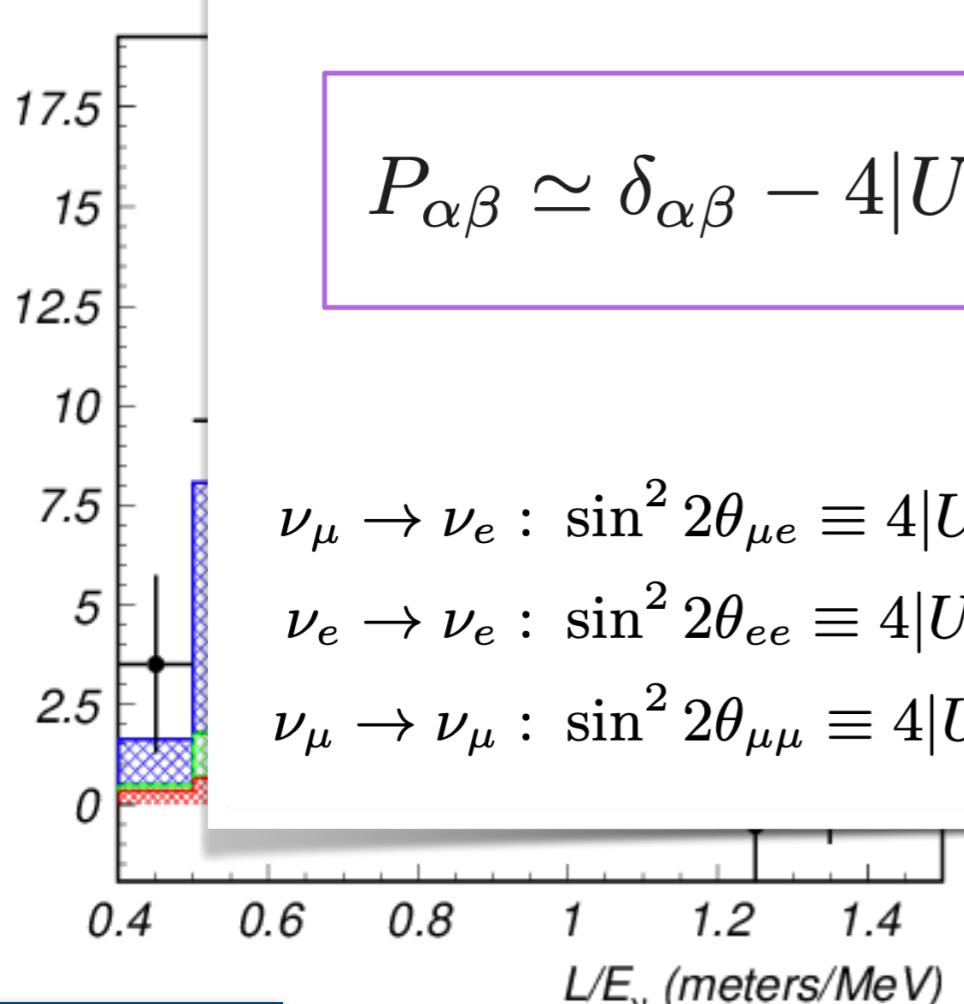
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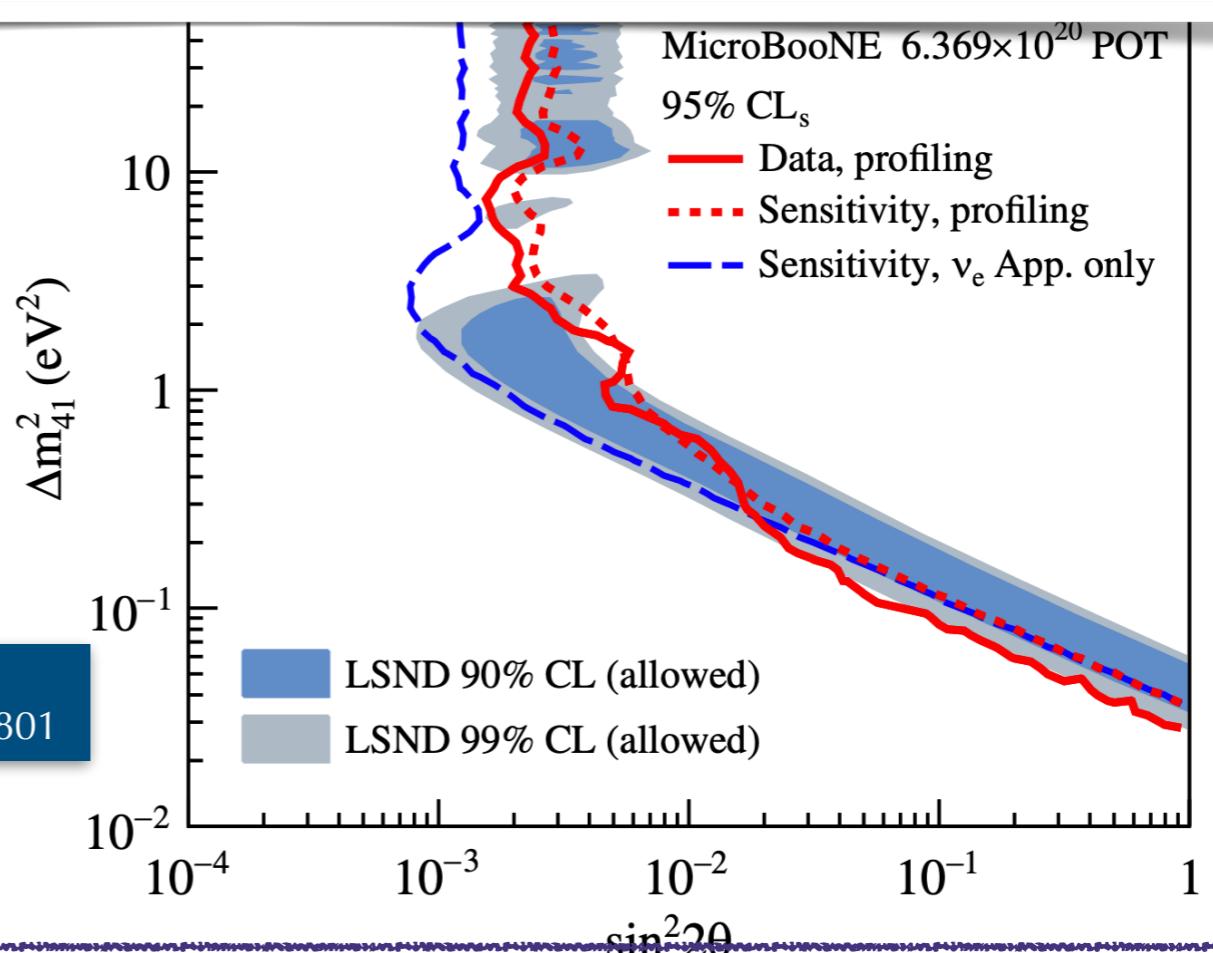
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LSND  
NPB66(1998)382



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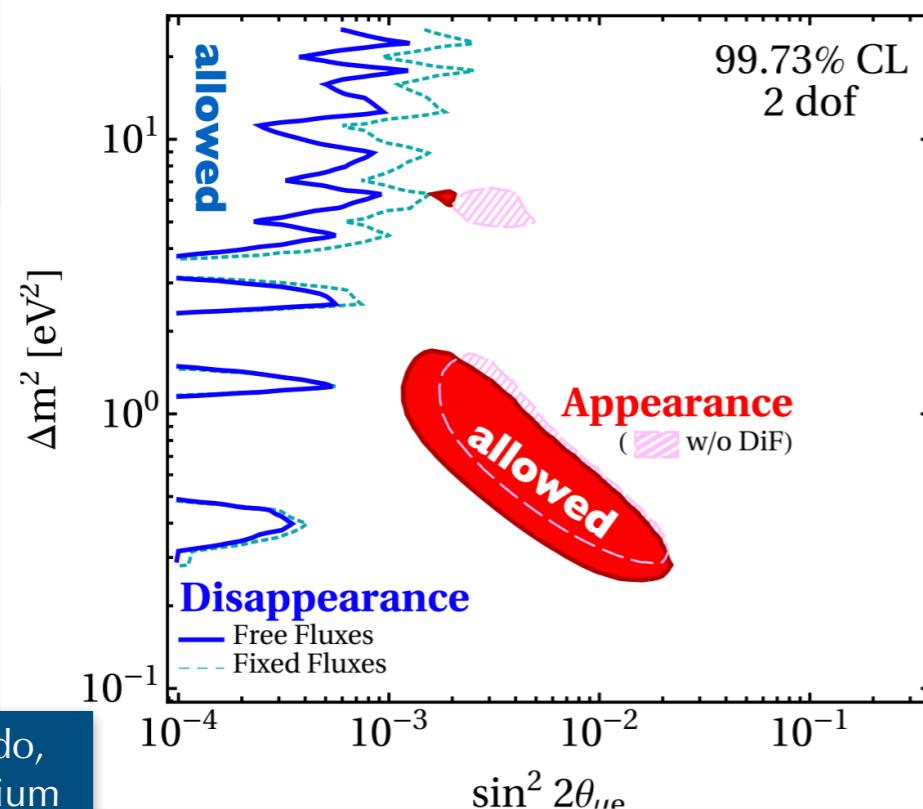
17.5  
15  
12.5  
10  
7.5  
5  
2.5  
0  
0.4

$$P_{\alpha\beta} \simeq \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4|U_{\alpha\beta}|^2(\delta_{\alpha\beta} - |U_{\alpha\beta}|^2) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{41}^2 L}{4E}\right)$$

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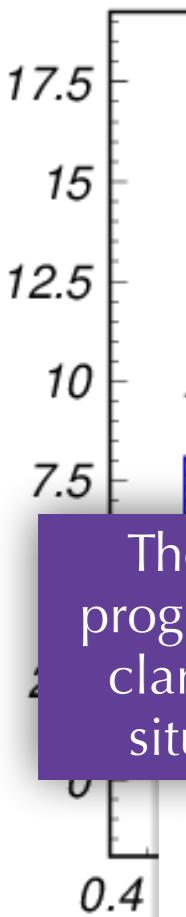
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 $v_e$  and  $v_\mu$  disappearance  
vs.  
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**4.7  $\sigma$  tension**  
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Exercise: remove each experiment  
and see if agreement improves

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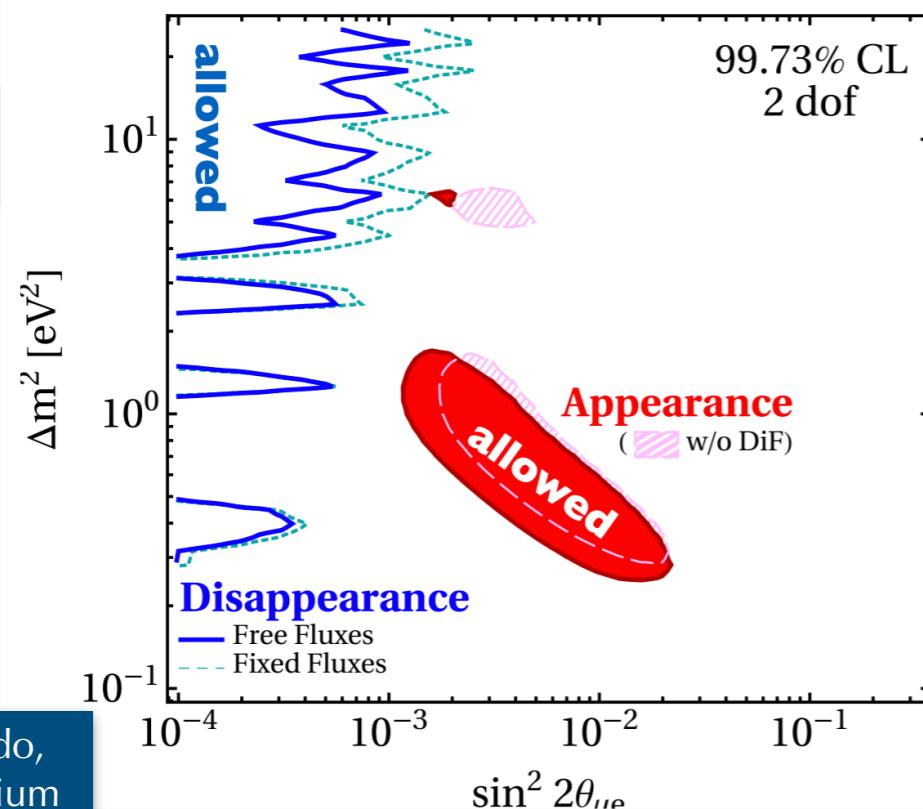
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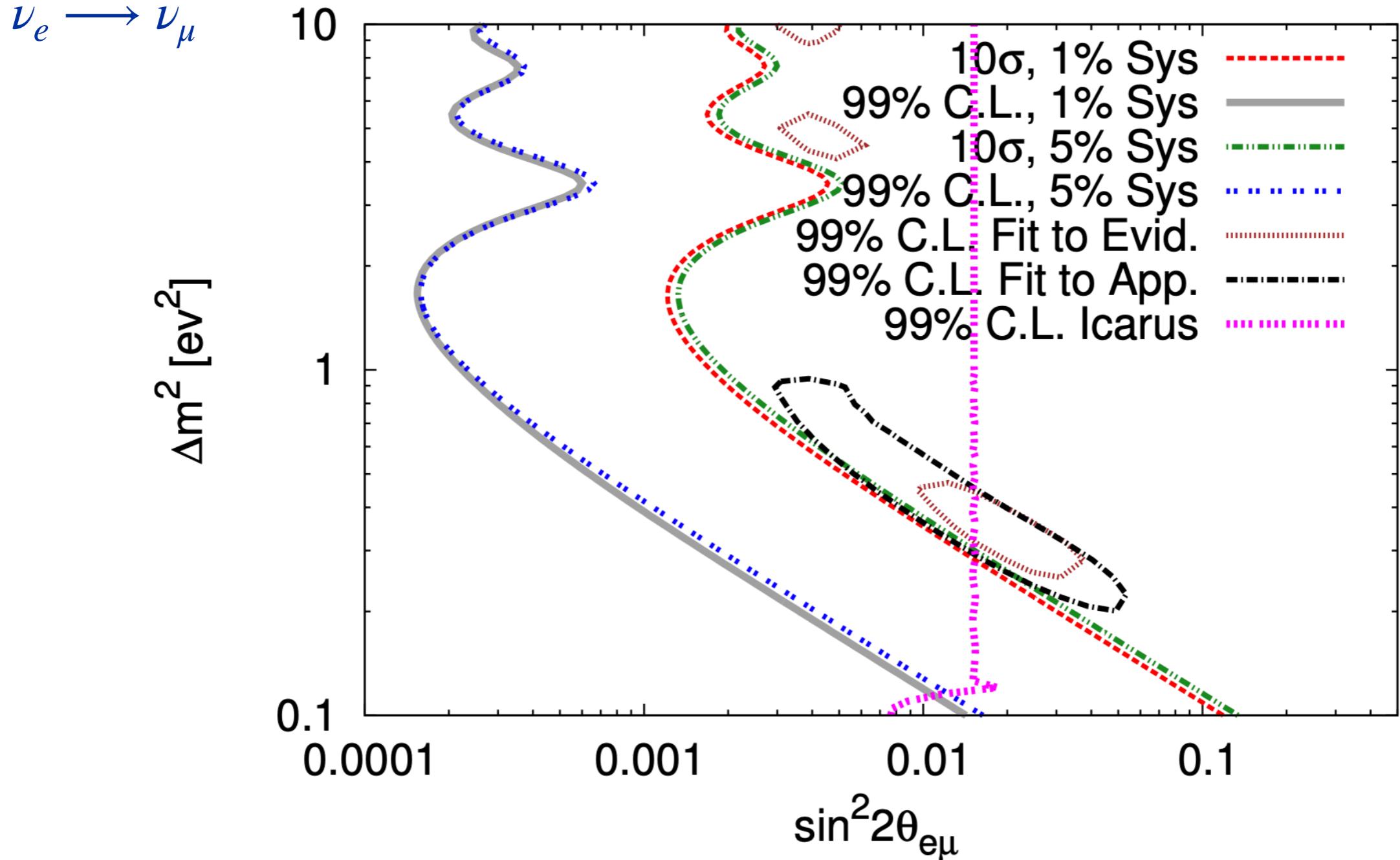
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Exercise: remove each experiment  
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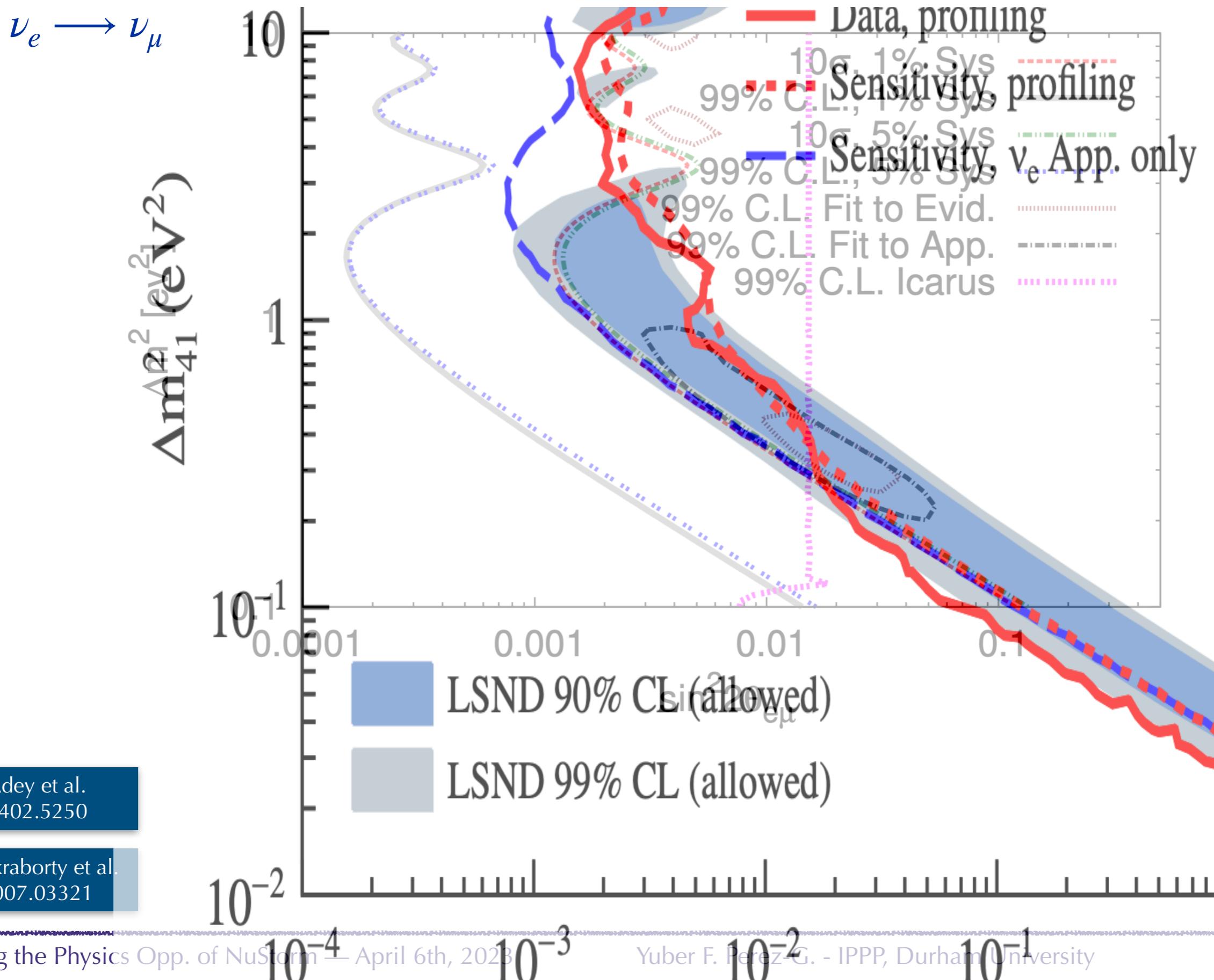
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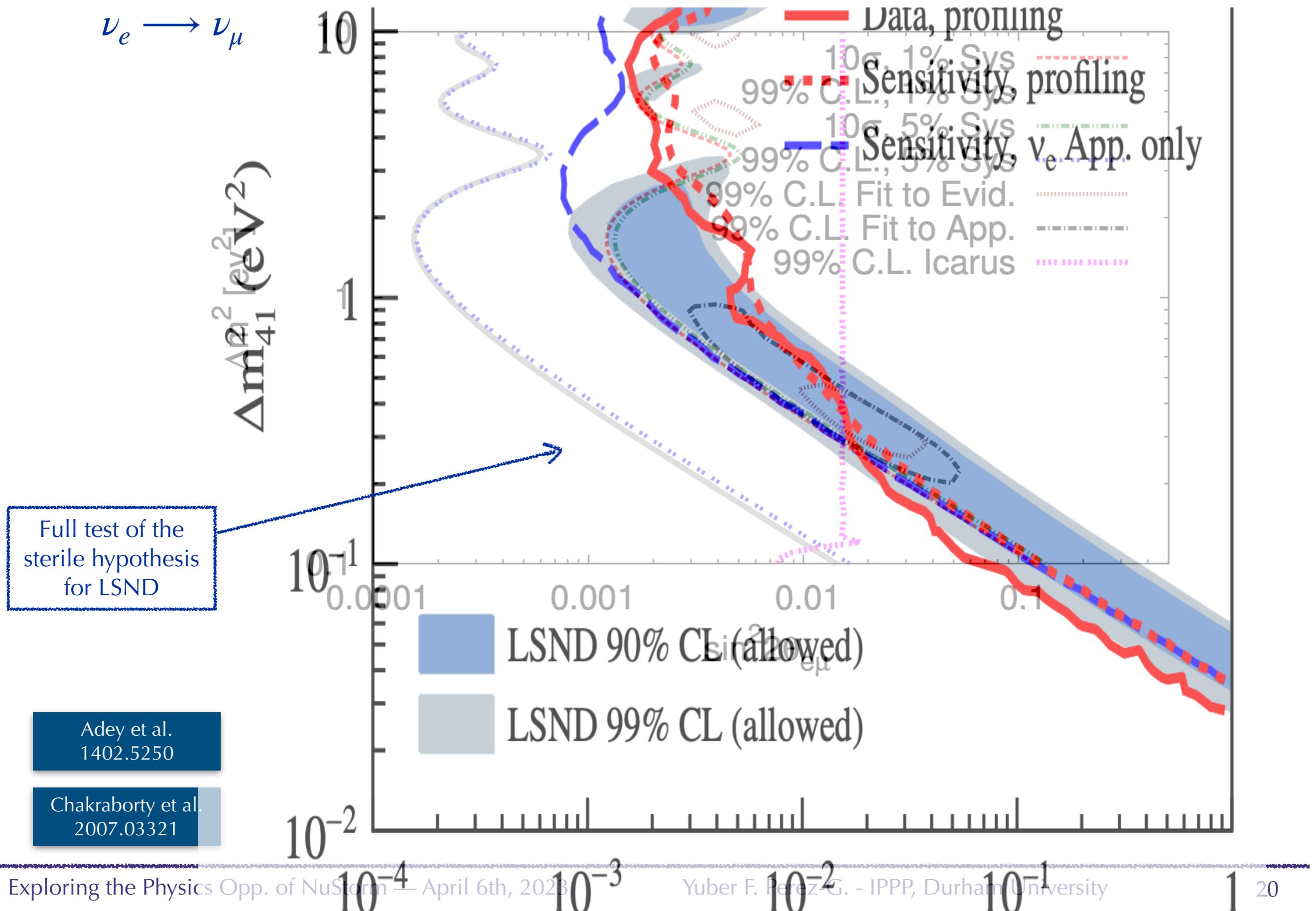
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Model landscape evolved significantly over the years.

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Flavor transitions Secs. 3.1.1-3.1.3, 3.1.5	(3+1) oscillations	oscillations	✓	✓	✓	✓	Reviews and global fits [93, 103, 105, 106]
	(3+1) w/ invisible sterile decay	oscillations w/ $\nu_4$ invisible decay	✓	✓	✓	✓	[151, 155]
	(3+1) w/ sterile decay	$\nu_4 \rightarrow \phi \nu_e$	✓	✓	✗	✗	[159–162, 270]
Matter effects Secs. 3.1.4, 3.1.7	(3+1) w/ anomalous matter effects	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ via matter effects	✓	✓	✗	✗	[143, 147, 271–273]
	(3+1) w/ quasi-sterile neutrinos	$\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ w/ resonant $\nu_s$ matter effects	✓	✓	✓	✓	[148]
Flavor violation Sec. 3.1.6	Lepton-flavor-violating $\mu$ decays	$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_\alpha \bar{\nu}_e$	✓	✗	✗	✗	[174, 175, 274]
	neutrino-flavor-changing bremsstrahlung	$\nu_\mu A \rightarrow e \phi A$	✓	✓	✗	✗	[275]
Decays in flight Sec. 3.2.3	Transition magnetic mom., heavy $\nu$ decay	$N \rightarrow \nu \gamma$	✗	✓	✗	✗	[207]
	Dark sector heavy neutrino decay	$N \rightarrow \nu(X \rightarrow e^+ e^-)$ or $N \rightarrow \nu(X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$	✗	✓	✗	✗	[208]
Neutrino Scattering Secs. 3.2.1, 3.2.2	neutrino-induced upscattering	$\nu A \rightarrow N A$ , $N \rightarrow \nu e^+ e^-$ or $N \rightarrow \nu \gamma \gamma$	✓	✓	✗	✗	[205, 206, 209–216]
	neutrino dipole upscattering	$\nu A \rightarrow N A$ , $N \rightarrow \nu \gamma$	✓	✓	✗	✗	[40, 185, 187, 188, 190, 193, 233, 276]
Dark Matter Scattering Sec. 3.2.4	dark particle-induced upscattering	$\gamma$ or $e^+ e^-$	✗	✓	✗	✗	[217]
	dark particle-induced inverse Primakoff	$\gamma$	✓	✓	✗	✗	[217]

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Reactor	DANSS upgrade, JUNO-TAO, NEOS II, Neutrino-4 upgrade, PROSPECT-II						59–162, 270] [143, 147, 271–273] [148]
Radioactive Source	BEST-2, IsoDAR, THEIA, Jinping						[174, 175, 274] [275]
Atmospheric	IceCube upgrade, KM3NET, ORCA and ARCA, DUNE, Hyper-K, THEIA				IceCube upgrade, KM3NET, ORCA and ARCA, DUNE, Hyper-K, THEIA		[207] [208]
Pion/Kaon decay-at-rest	JSNS <sup>2</sup> , COHERENT, CAPTAIN-Mills, IsoDAR, KPIPE		JSNS <sup>2</sup> , COHERENT, CAPTAIN-Mills, IsoDAR, KPIPE, PIP2-BD			COHERENT, CAPTAIN-Mills, KPIPE, PIP2-BD	[205, 206, 209–216] [40, 185, 187, 88, 190, 193, 233, 276] [217]
Beam Short Baseline	SBN			SBN			[217]
Beam Long Baseline	DUNE, Hyper-K, ESSnuSB			DUNE, Hyper-K, ESSnuSB, FASER $\nu$ , FLArE			
Muon decay-in-flight	$\nu$ STORM			$\nu$ STORM			
Beta Decay and Electron Capture	KATRIN/TRISTAN, Project-8, HUNTER, BeEST, DUNE- <sup>39</sup> Ar, PTOLEMY, $2\nu\beta\beta$						[217]

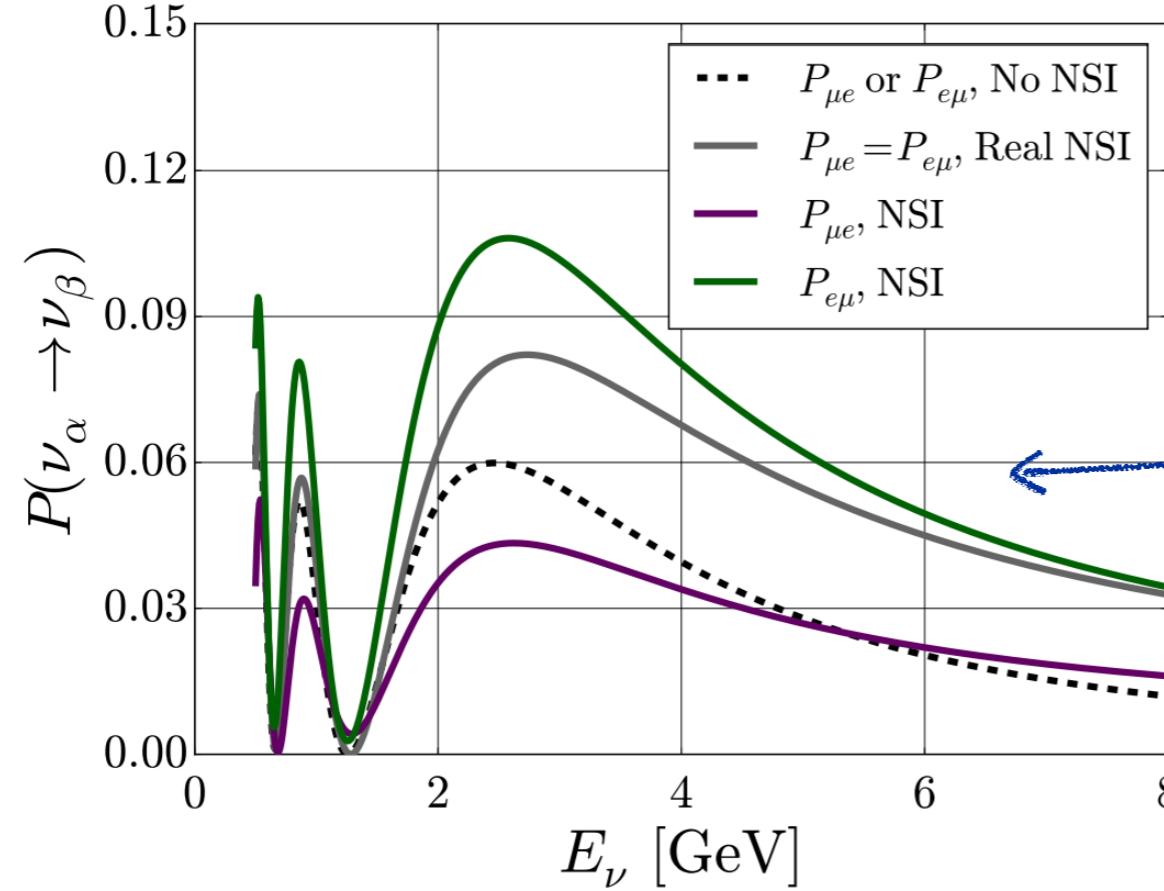
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# Non-Standard Interactions

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{NSI}} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \gamma_\rho \nu_\beta)(\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{f\tilde{f}L}\bar{f}_L \gamma^\rho \tilde{f}_L + \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{f\tilde{f}R}\bar{f}_R \gamma^\rho \tilde{f}_R) + h.c.,$$

## Our Hamiltonian

$$H_{ij} = \frac{1}{2E_\nu} \text{diag} \{0, \Delta m_{12}^2, \Delta m_{13}^2\} + V_{ij}$$



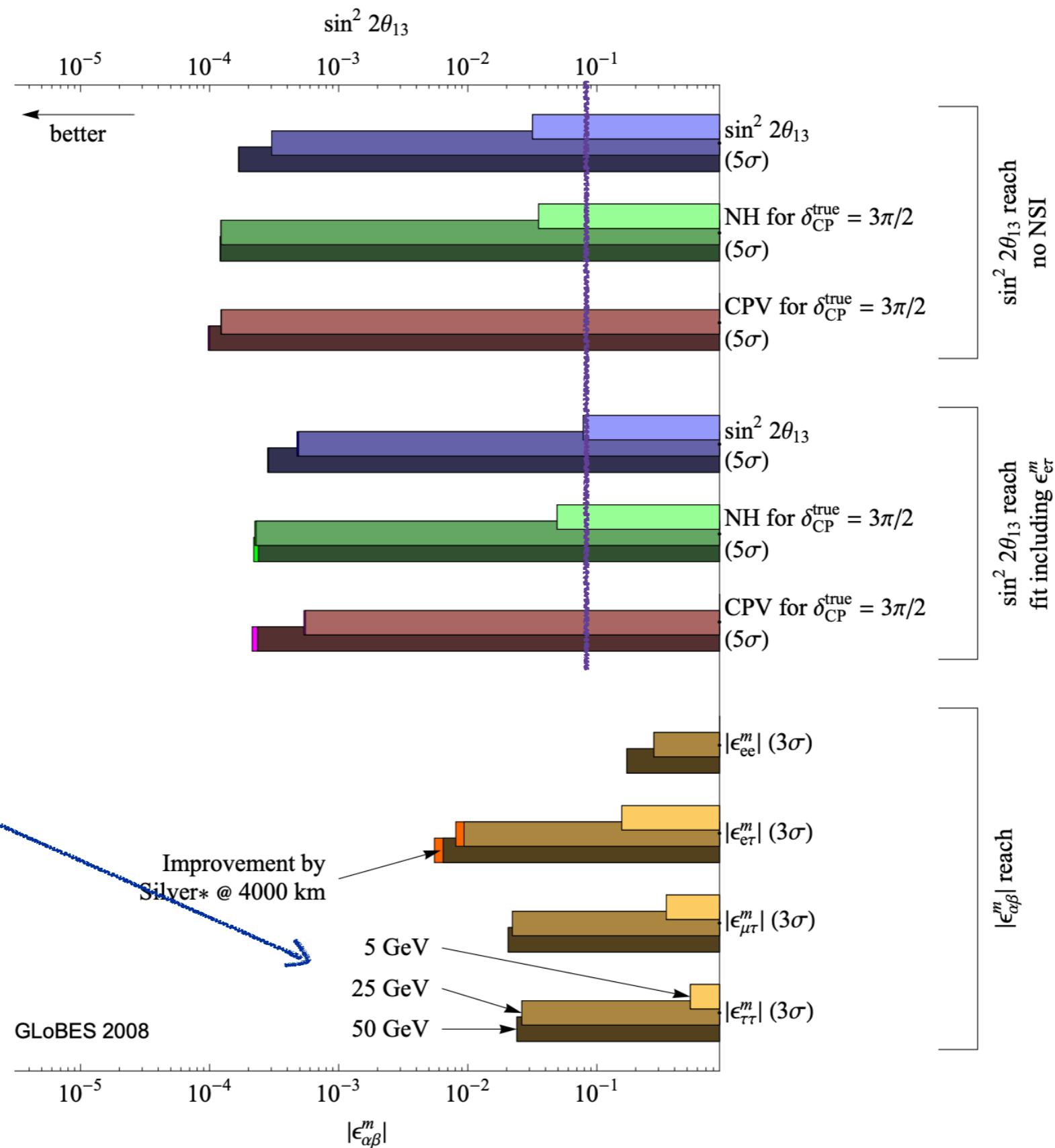
$$V_{ij} = U_{i\alpha}^\dagger V_{\alpha\beta} U_{\beta j},$$

$$V_{\alpha\beta} = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_{ee} & \epsilon_{e\mu} & \epsilon_{e\tau} \\ \epsilon_{e\mu}^* & \epsilon_{\mu\mu} & \epsilon_{\mu\tau} \\ \epsilon_{e\tau}^* & \epsilon_{\mu\tau}^* & \epsilon_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

Probabilities for DUNE

$$\epsilon_{e\mu} = 0.1e^{i\pi/3}, \epsilon_{e\tau} = 0.1e^{-i\pi/4}, \epsilon_{\mu\tau} = 0.1$$

# \*At a Far Detector



Kopp et al  
0804.2261

# Neutrino Self-Interactions

Neutrinos could interact among themselves

UV completions?

$$\mathcal{L} \supset g_{\alpha\beta}\phi\nu_\alpha\nu_\beta$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2}(LH)^2\phi$$

Simplified approaches

See snowmass: 2203.01955

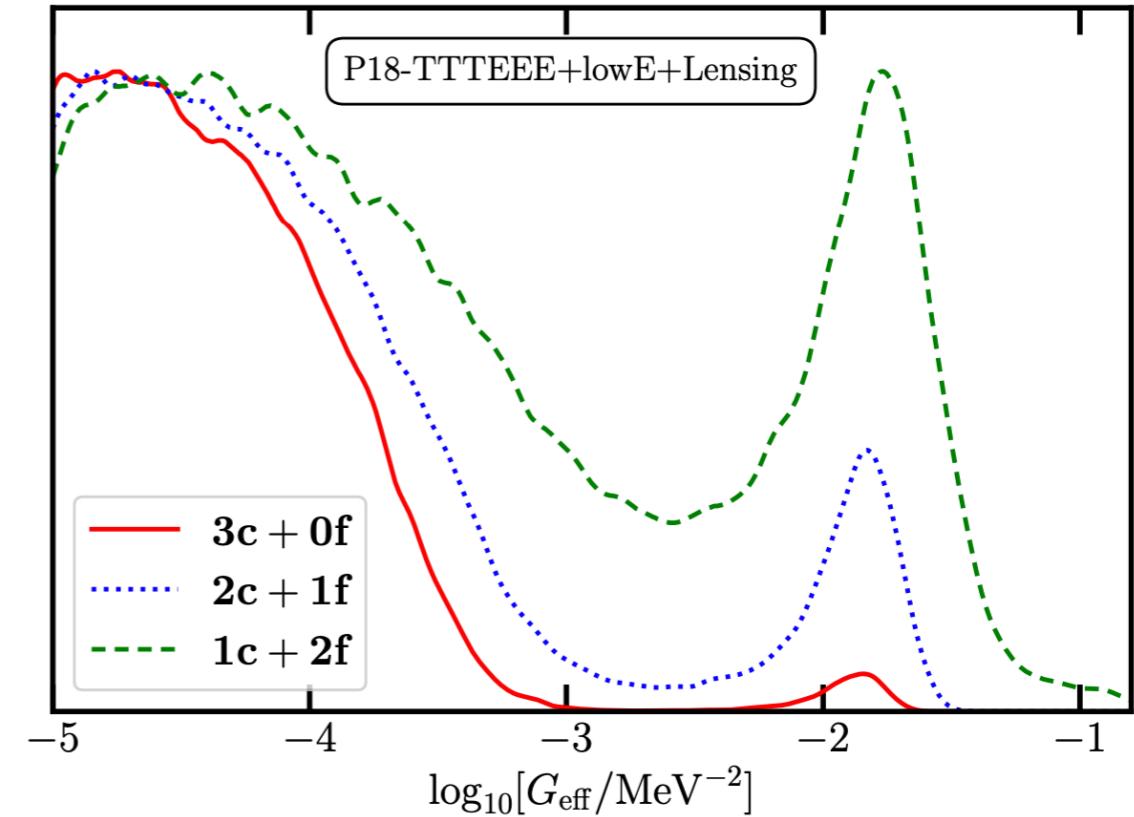
Probes?

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- \*Astrophysical
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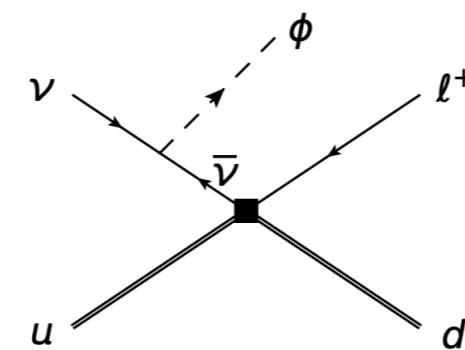
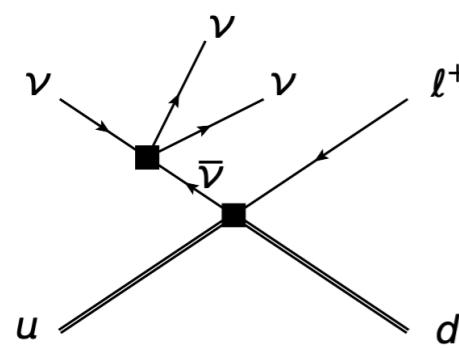
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Three body decays  $m^- \rightarrow \ell_\alpha^- \nu_\beta \phi$

Scatterings



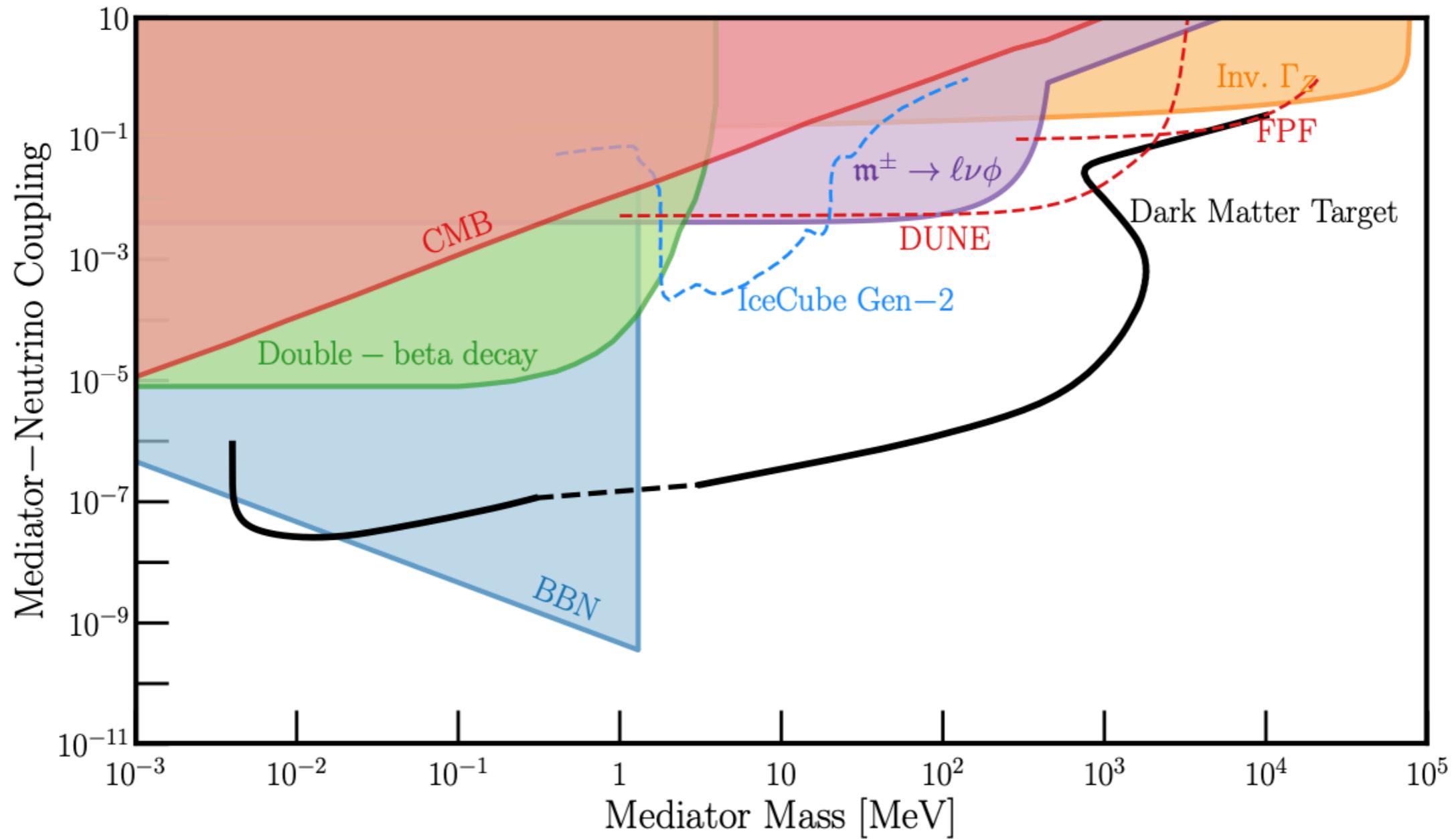
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Produce non-standard components to the nuSTORM beam!

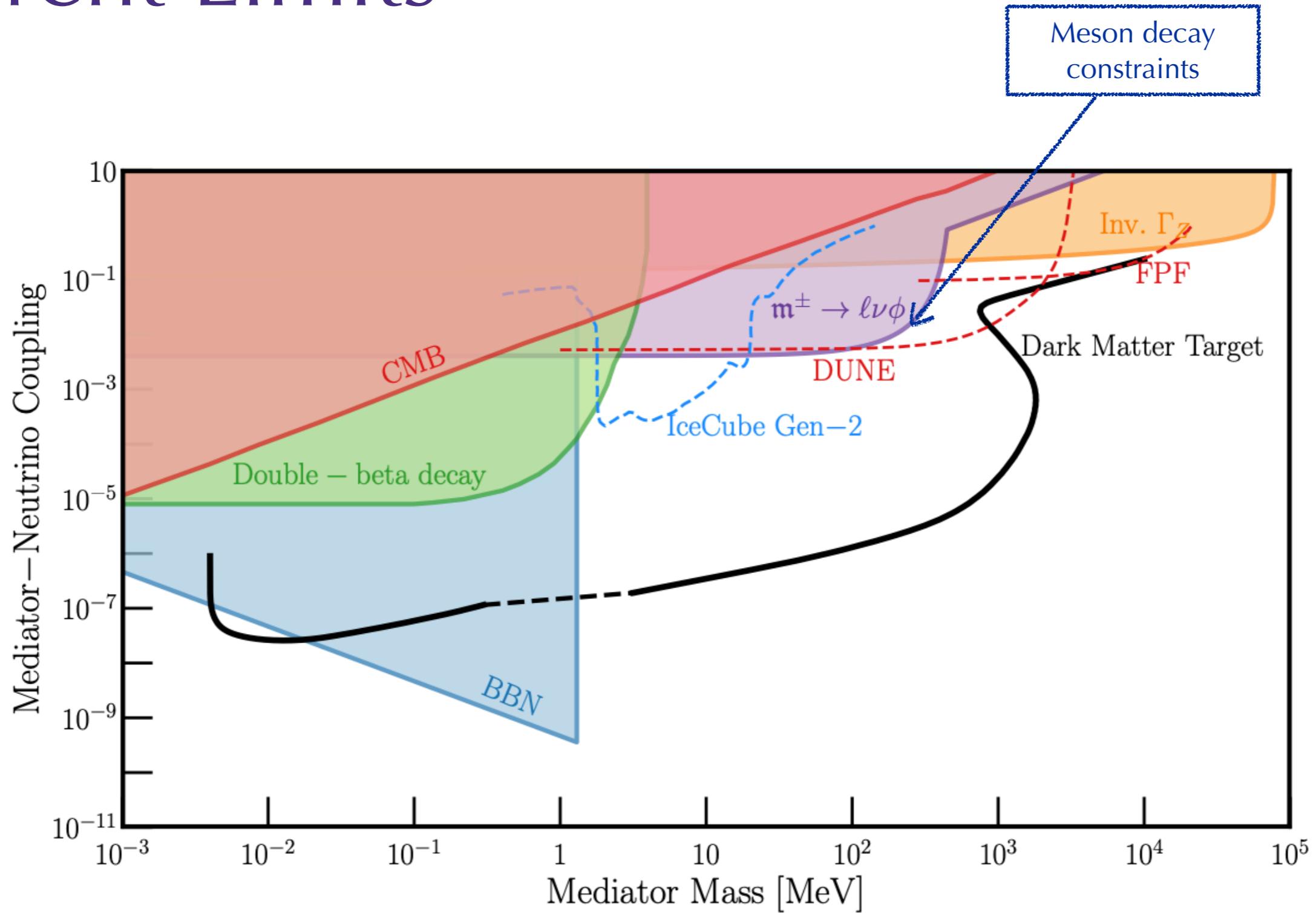
A “clean” environment is required

# Current Limits



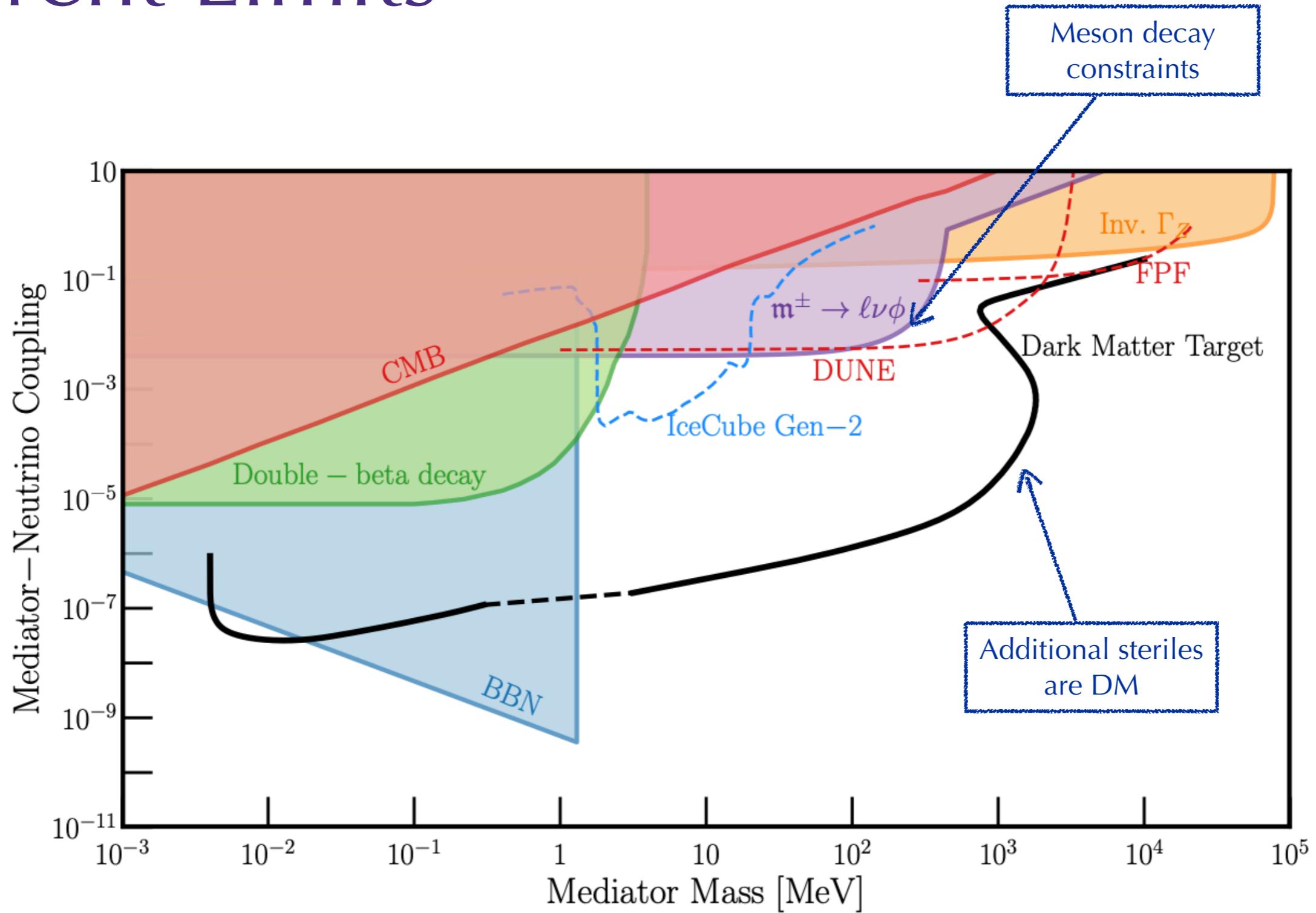
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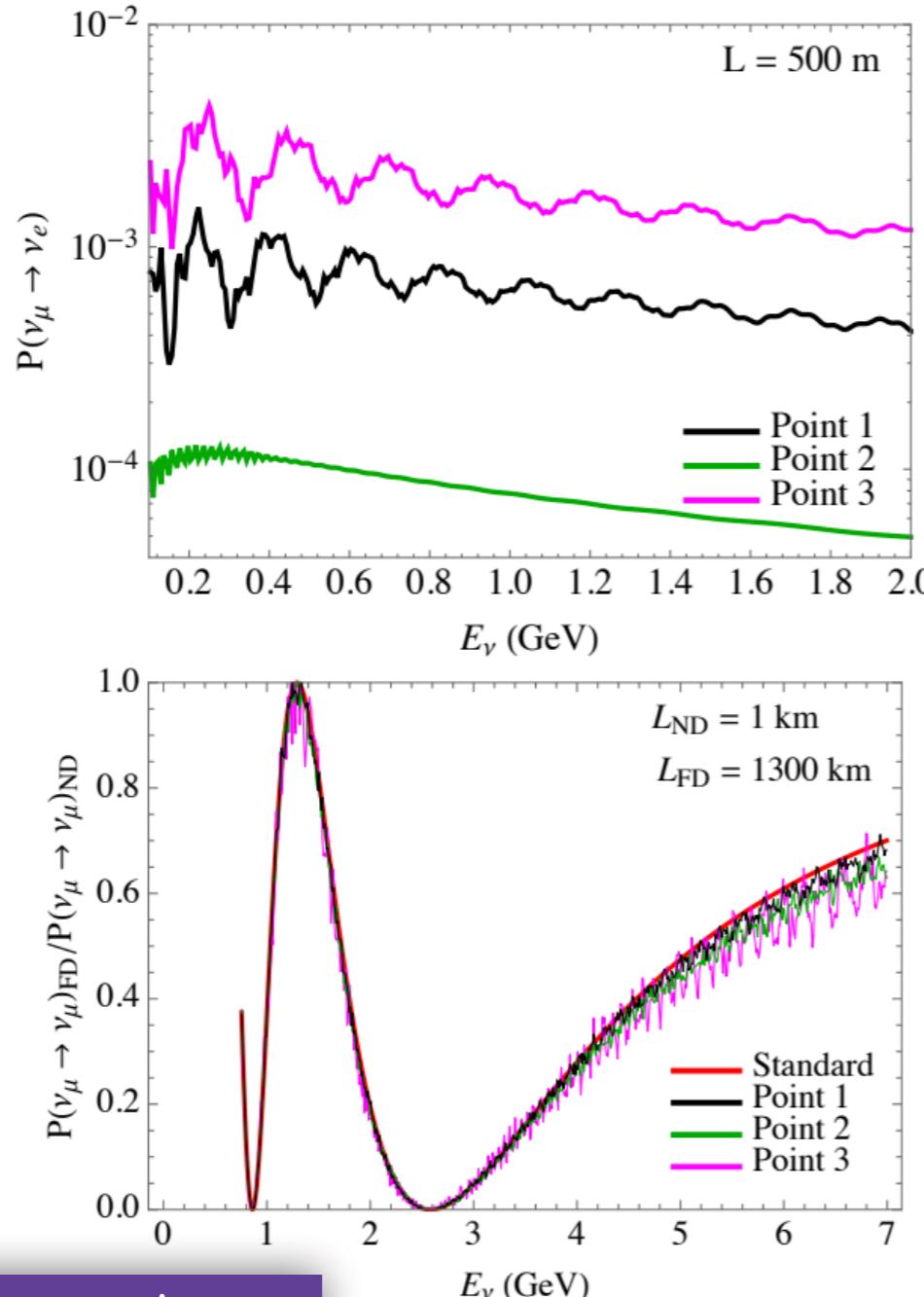
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$$M_4^2 = M_D^{2+n} (2\pi R)^n$$



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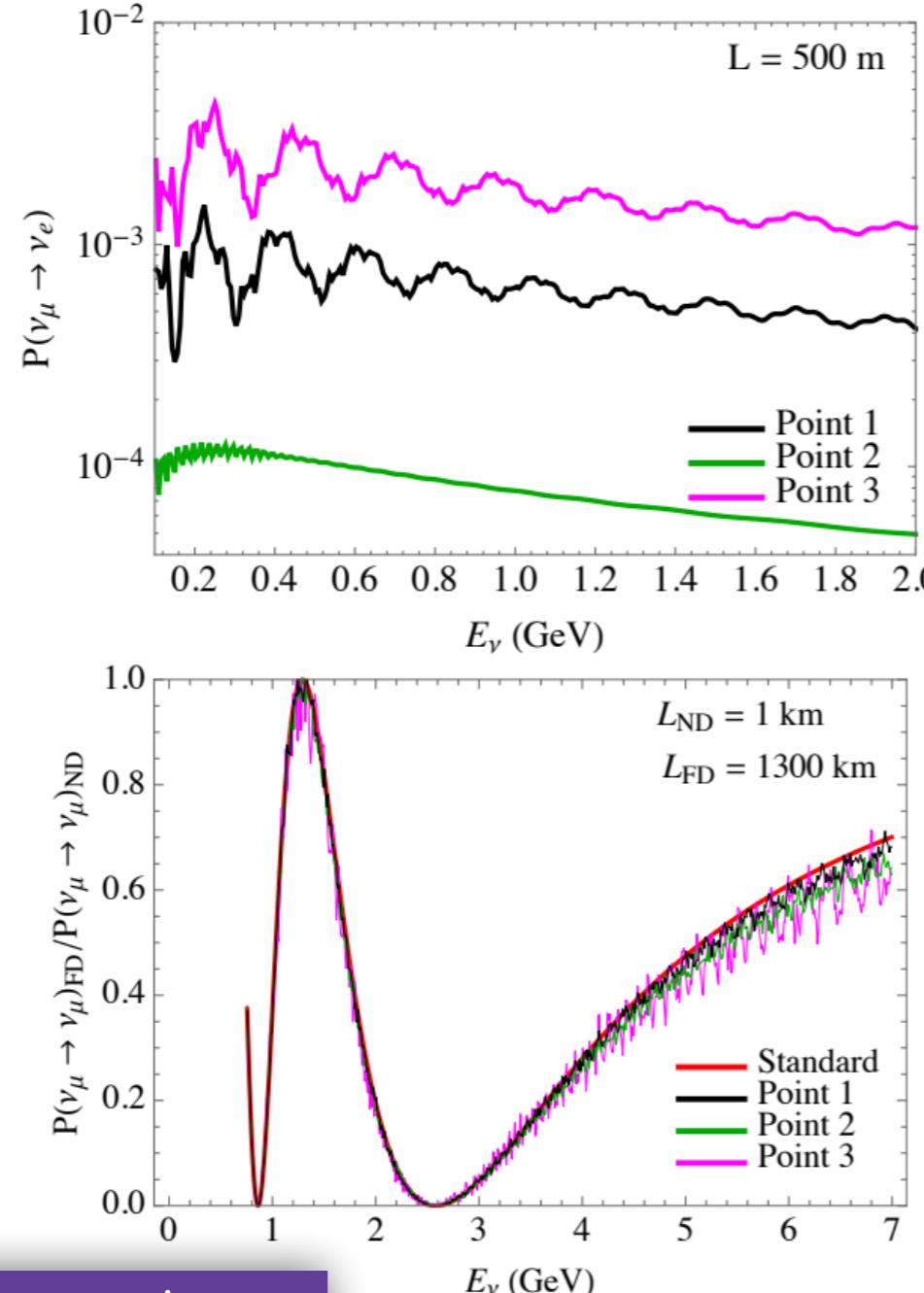
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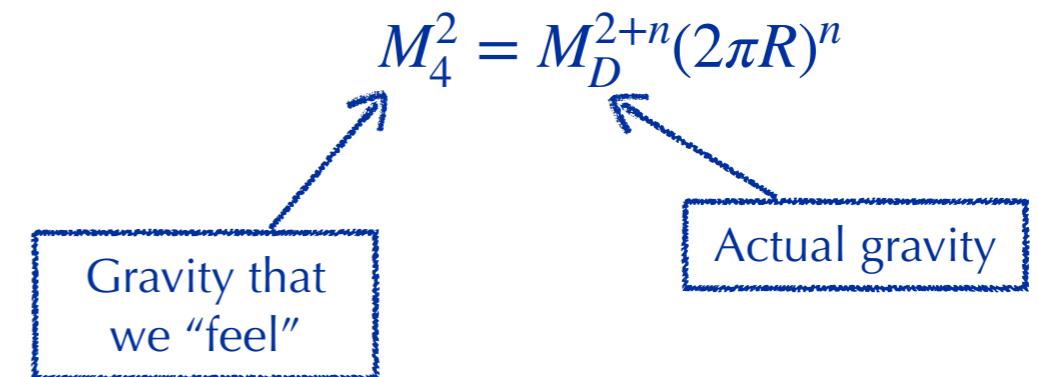
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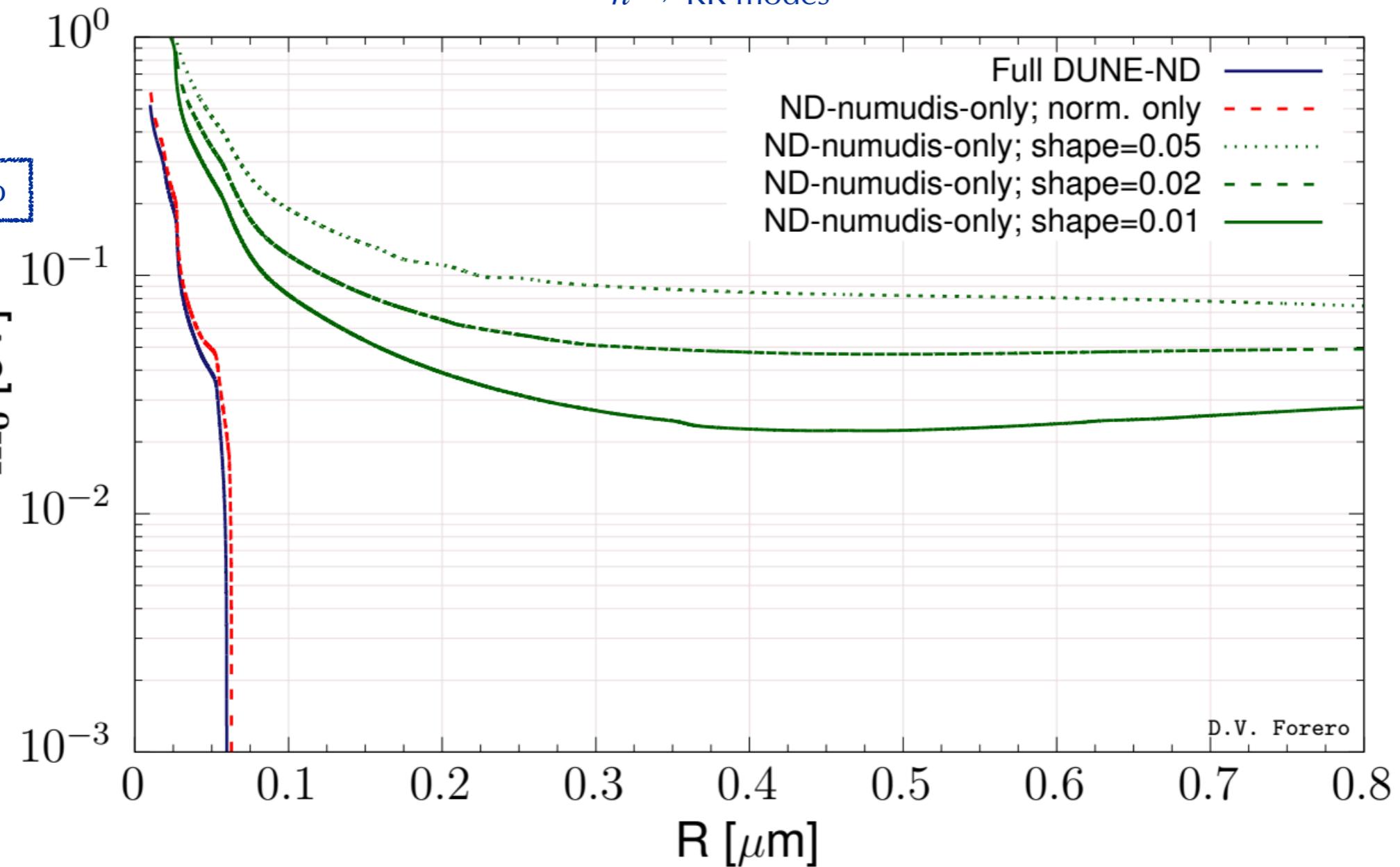
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$$\Delta m_{n1}^2 = n^2/R^2 + 2m_0n/R$$

Highly dependent  
on systematics!

$n \rightarrow \text{KK modes}$

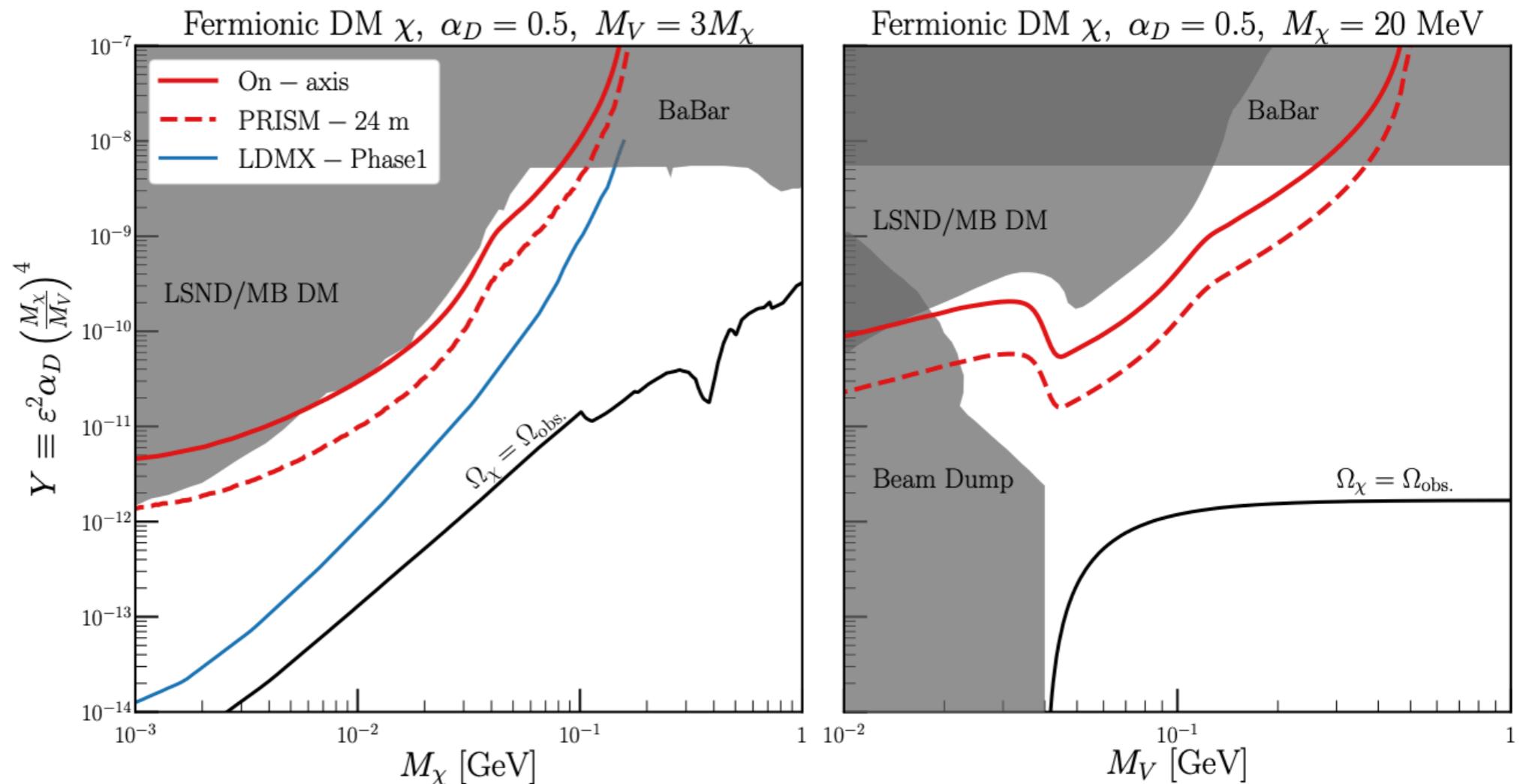
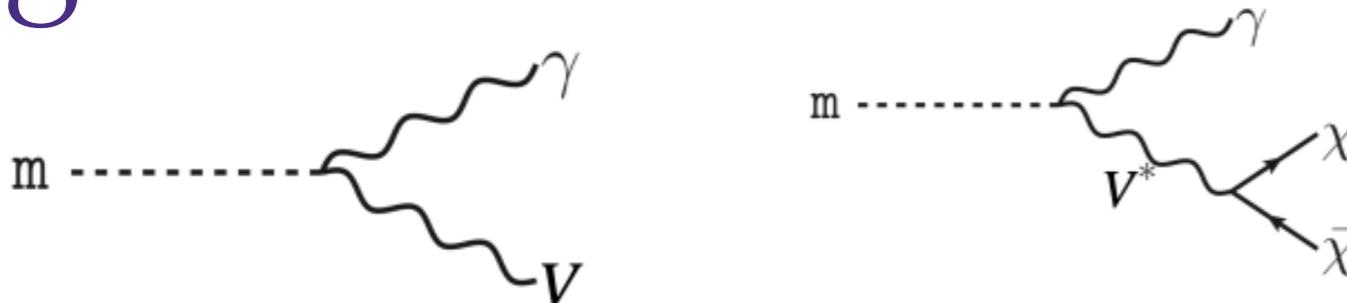
Lightest neutrino



Again, having a “clean” flux would help here

# Non-neutrino BSM

# Light Dark Matter?



Additional channels?  
What could nuSTORM do here?

Axions from the muon beam?

# Conclusions

- ❖ Unique combination of flavours should help in constraining the  $g_A^{\nu e}$ ,  $g_V^{\nu e}$  SM couplings
- ❖ There is a vast landscape of BSM models trying to explain different phenomena, like the short baseline anomalies.
- ❖ Large flux, low backgrounds and low systematics make nuSTORM the best place to constrain many possible BSM models.
- ❖ Other ideas???

# Thanks!