

Dark Sector at the low energy

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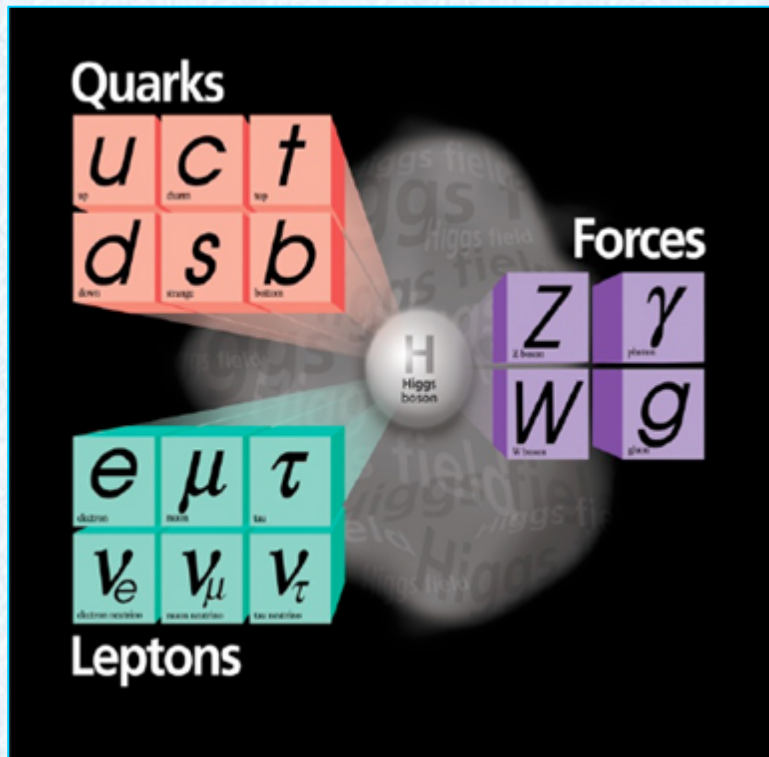
Outline

- ✦ Motivation of studying on the dark sector
- ✦ Some “hints” for the dark photon
- ✦ Searches for the dark photon and dark sector
 - ✦ High energy collider
 - ✦ Beam dump and fixed target experiments
 - ✦ Low energy e^+e^- collider
- ✦ Searches for the dark photon at BES



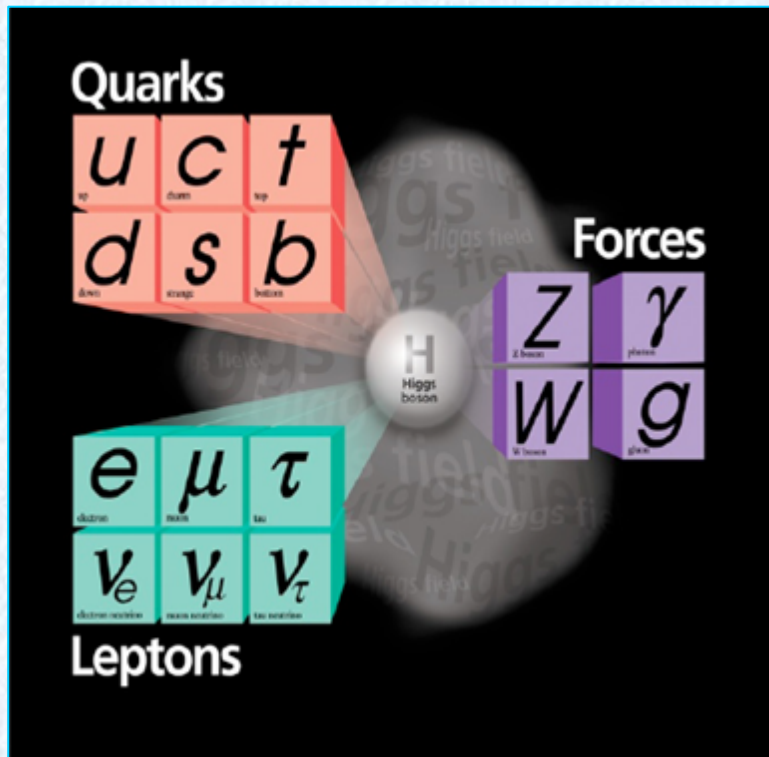
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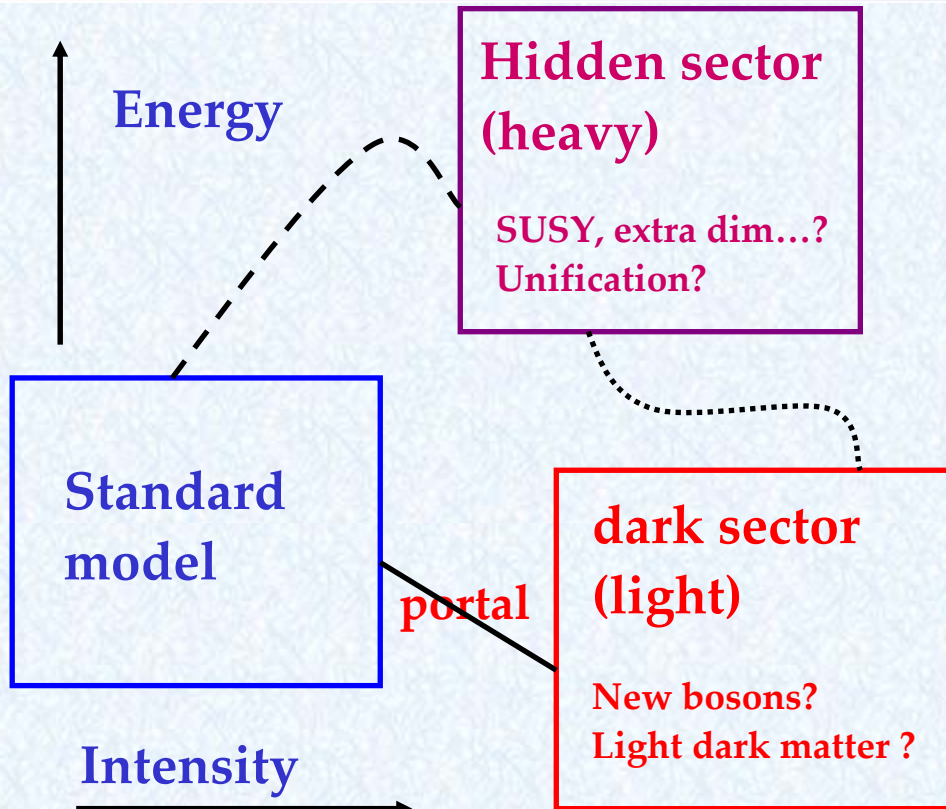
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- ⊕ **No BSM at all !**
Quite strange... So many problems are unresolved: the origin of mass, flavor, CP-violation, neutrino mass, the dark universe...
- ⊕ **BSM at very high energy scale !**
Commonly believed... But no one knows where is the next scale...
- ⊕ **BSM interacts weakly with SM at low energy scale !**
Low energy experiments in the intensity frontier have capability to discover the new sector;
Complementary to high energy experiments



SM, dark sector, and portal



- ✦ The interactions between the SM and BSM can be described by effective operators

$$L_{eff} = L_{SM} + \sum \frac{f_i^{(5)}}{\Lambda} O_i^{(5)} + \sum \frac{f_i^{(6)}}{\Lambda^2} O_i^{(6)} + \dots$$

They are always suppressed by the energy scale

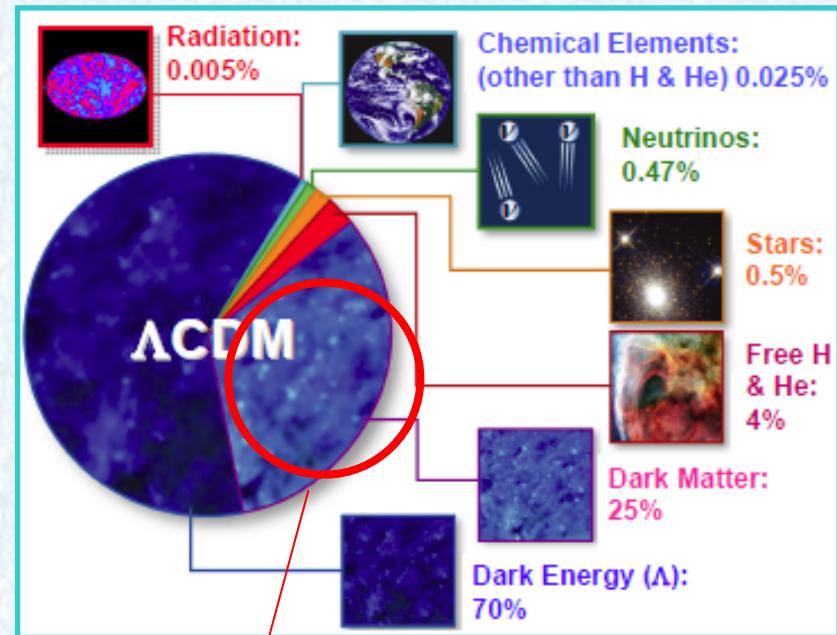
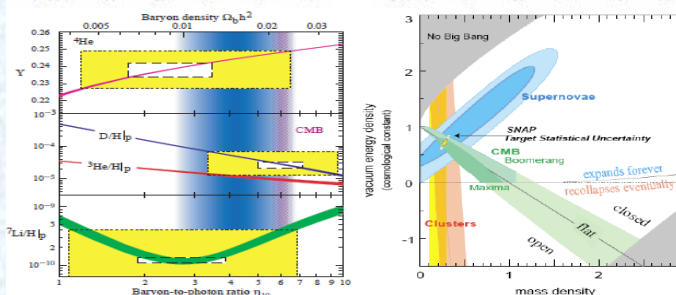
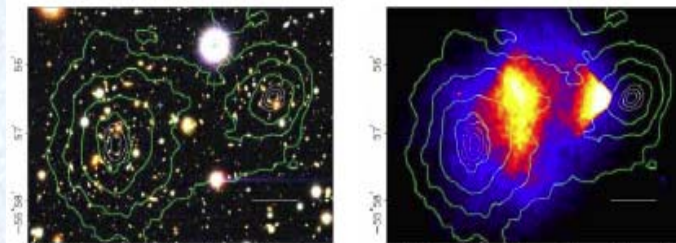
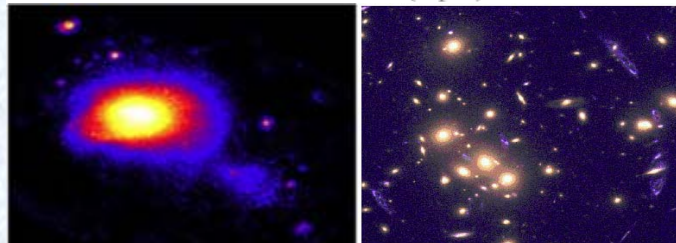
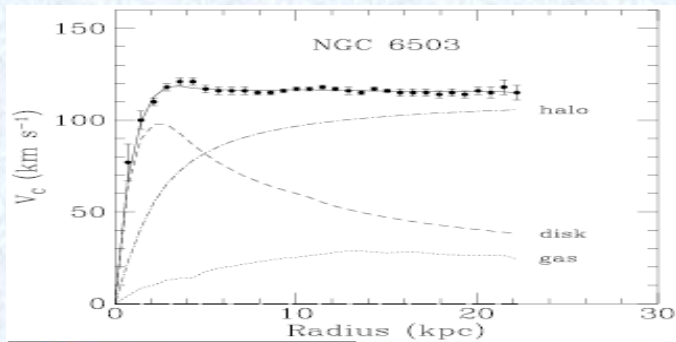
- ✦ Difficult to be tested at low energy scale experiments. Only via indirect effects ?
- ✦ There may be new light particles connecting the dark sector to SM !

- ✦ It is also called hidden photon, heavy photon, A' , γ' , b_μ , Z_D or U boson in the literature

Portal	Particles	Operator(s)
"Vector"	Dark photons	$-\frac{\epsilon}{2 \cos \theta_W} B_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$
"Axion"	Pseudoscalars	$\frac{a}{f_a} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}, \frac{a}{f_a} G_{i\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_i^{\mu\nu}, \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_a} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi$
"Higgs"	Dark scalars	$(\mu S + \lambda S^2) H^\dagger H$
"Neutrino"	Sterile neutrinos	$y_N L H N$



The dark universe! The dark sector?

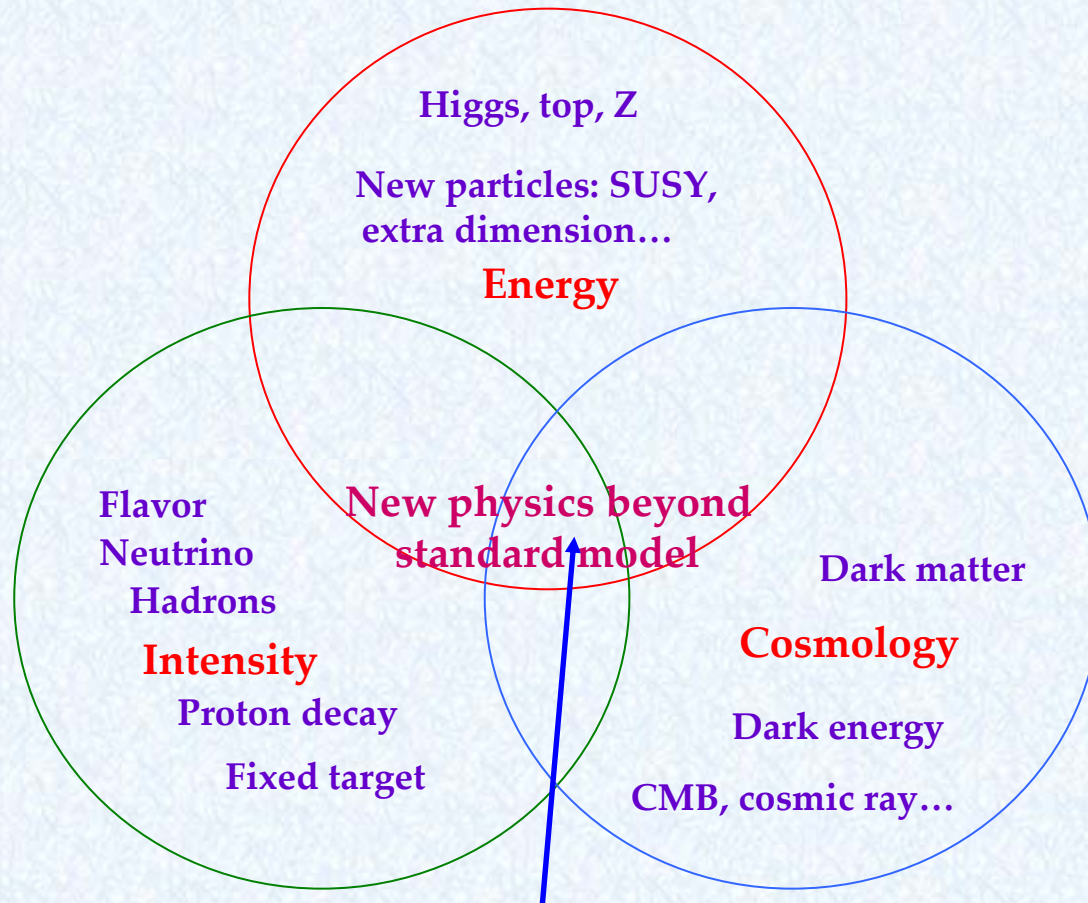


- Many results from astrophysical and cosmology observations have confirmed the existence of dark matter (DM)
- The particles nature of DM is still unknown

- Only a WIMP ?
- No! There may exist a dark sector with complicated structure !



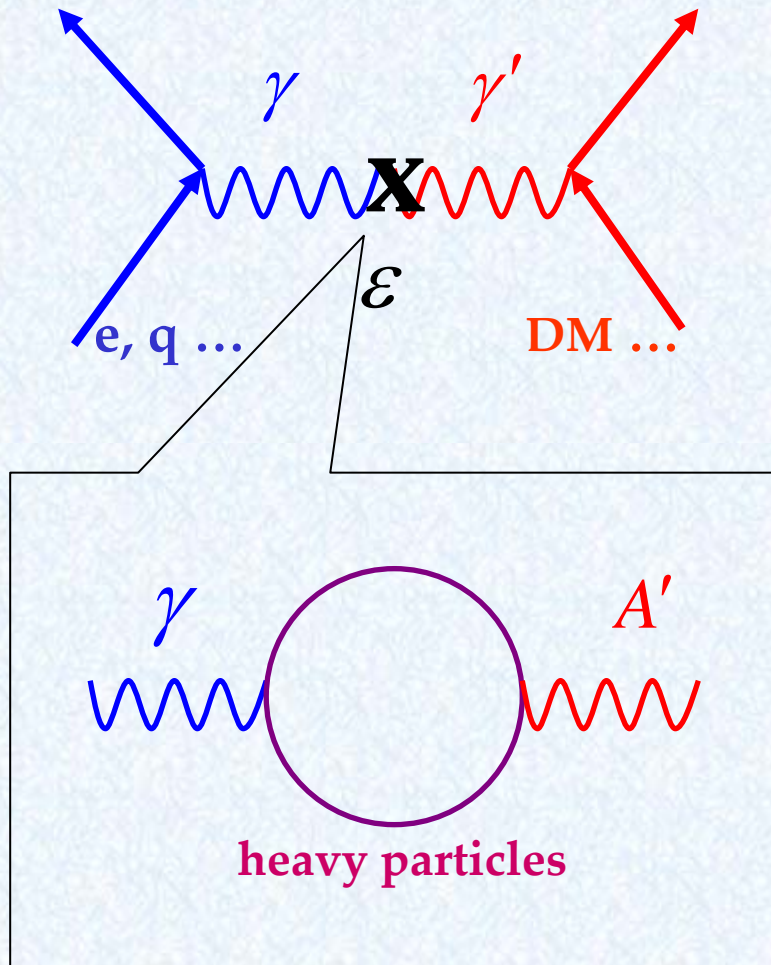
Three frontiers for the BSM



- ⊕ Search for new sub-GeV gauge boson
- ⊕ Search for new sub-GeV boson
- ⊕ Search for new dark sector



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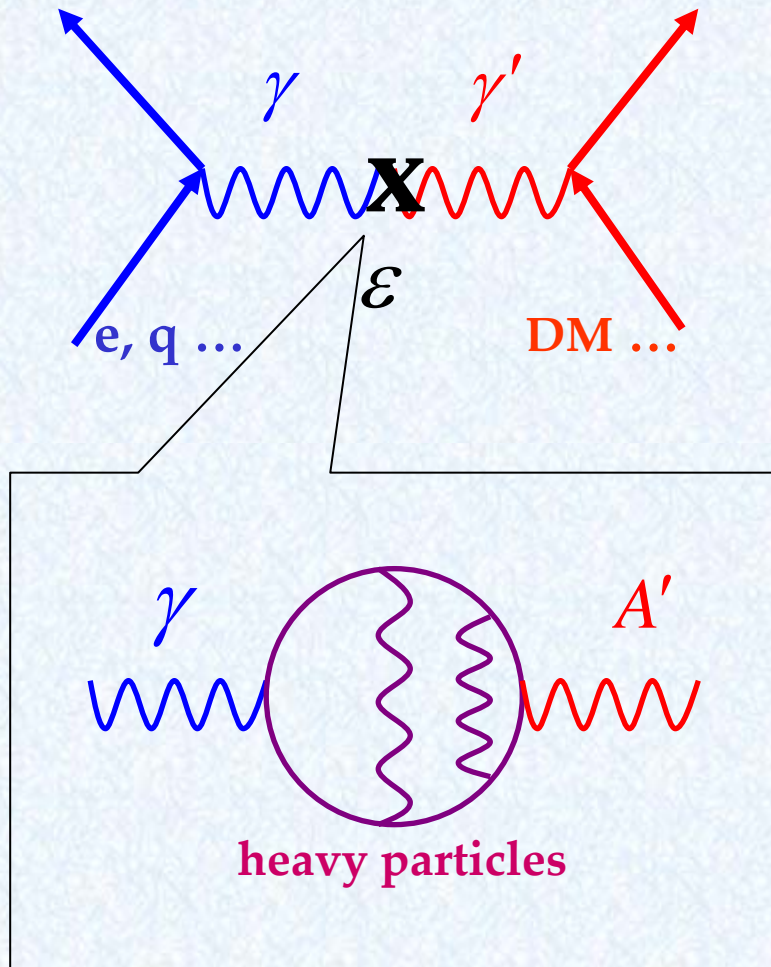
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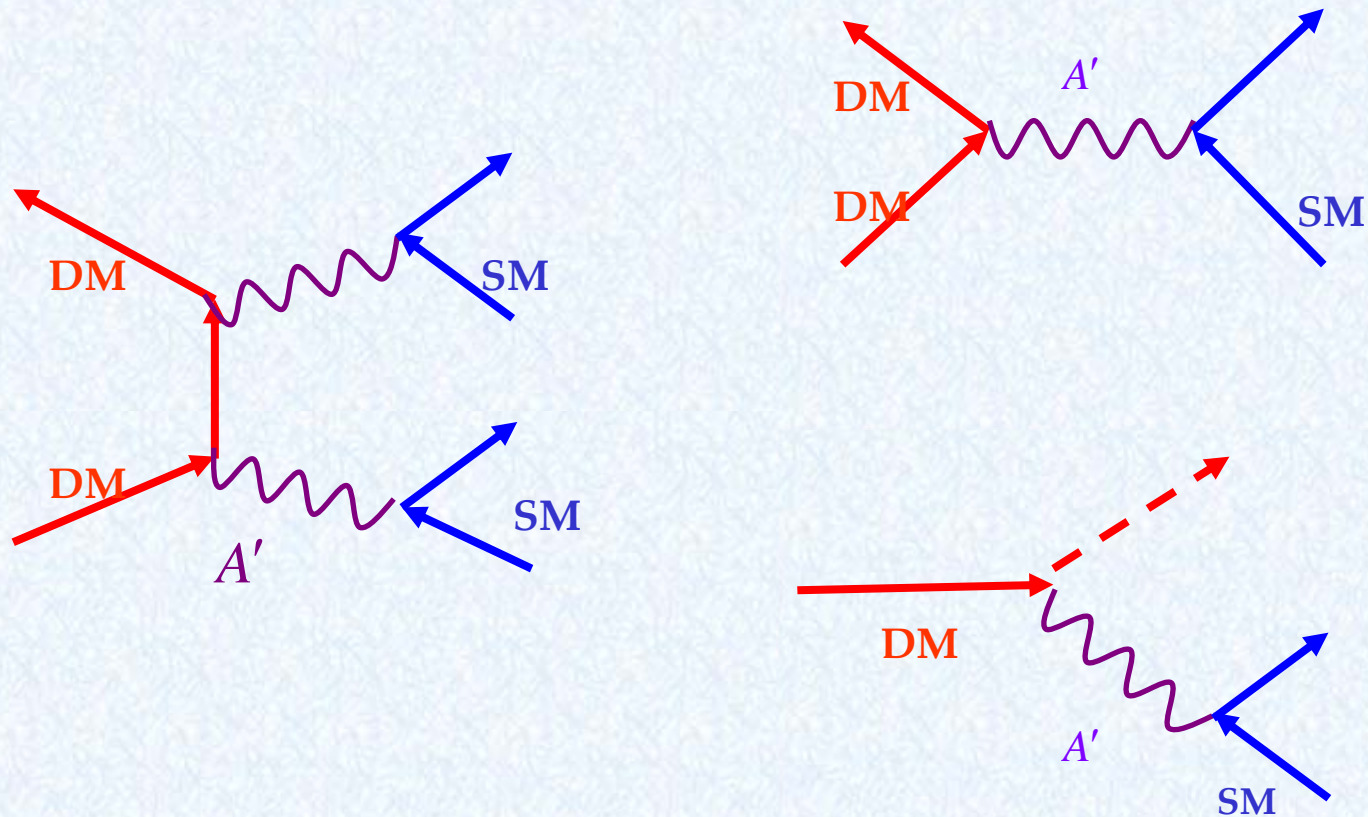
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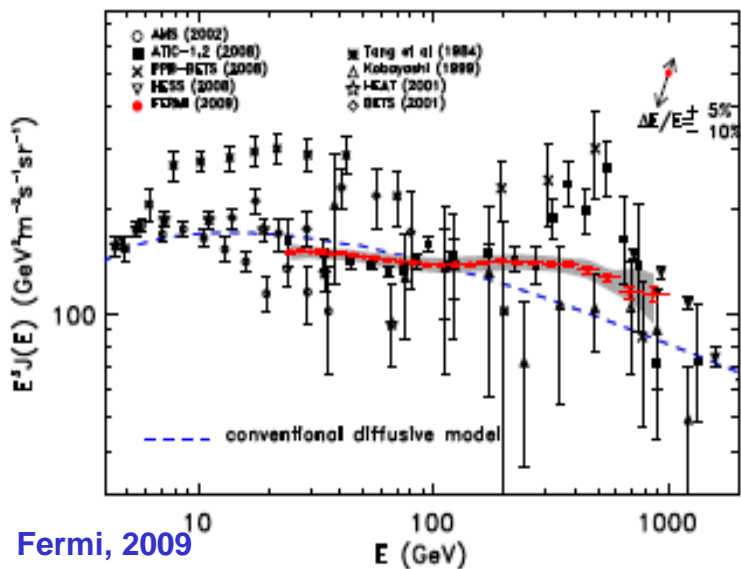
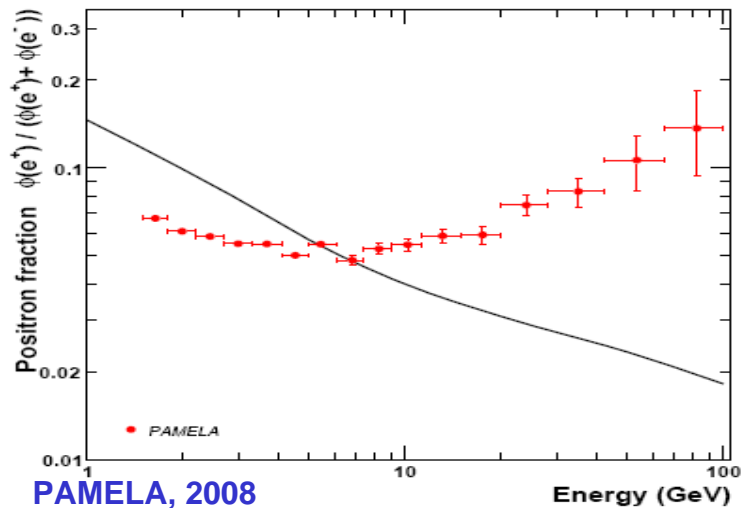
Dark photons in the SKY?



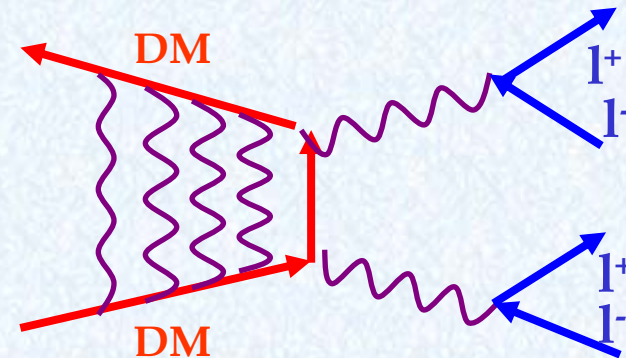
- ⊕ DM can annihilate/decay into dark photons and produce energetic cosmic rays



CR positron/electron excess

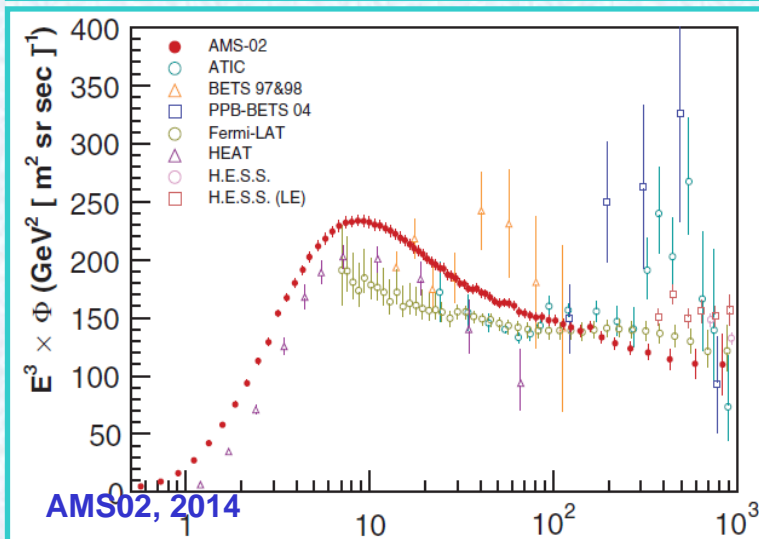
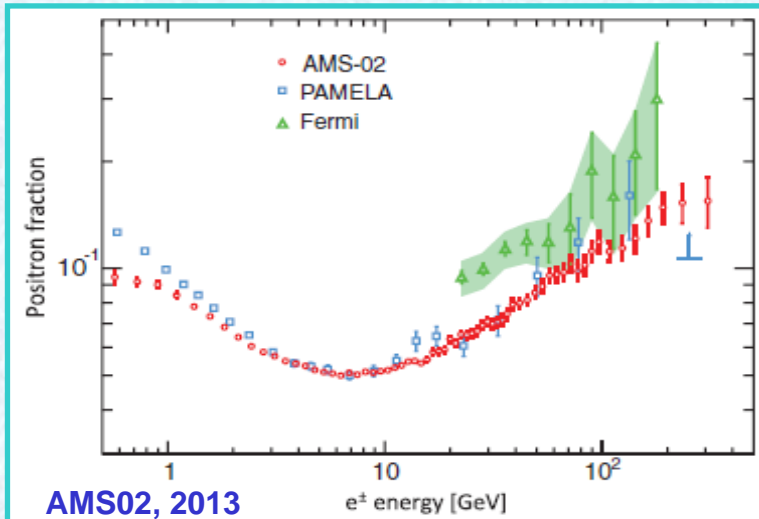


- Observed by PAMELA, Fermi, ATIC and HESS. Recently confirmed by AMS02 with high precision
- DM interpretation requires large DM annihilation cross section .
Can be explained by the “Sommerfeld” effect mediated by light dark photons $\sim \text{GeV}$
- No antiproton excess. If dark photons are light enough, they do not produce antiprotons.
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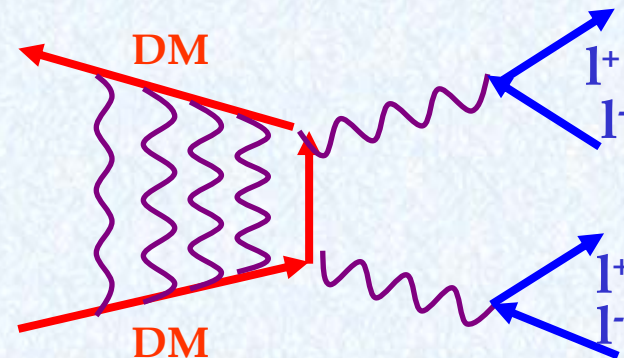




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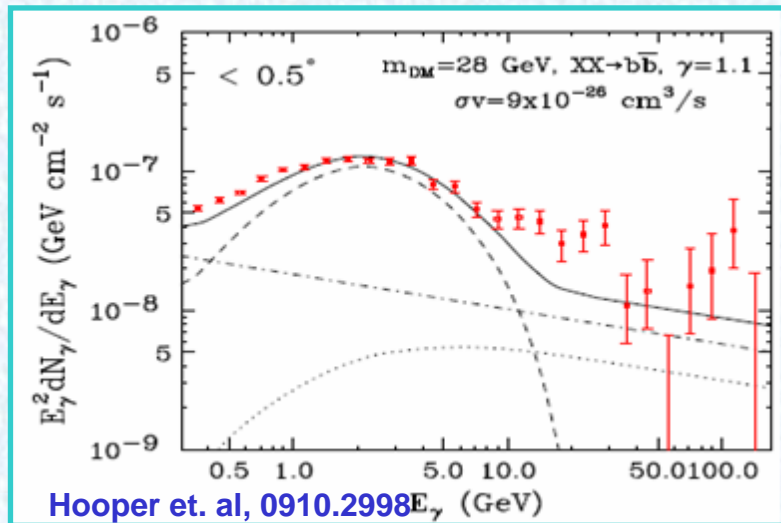


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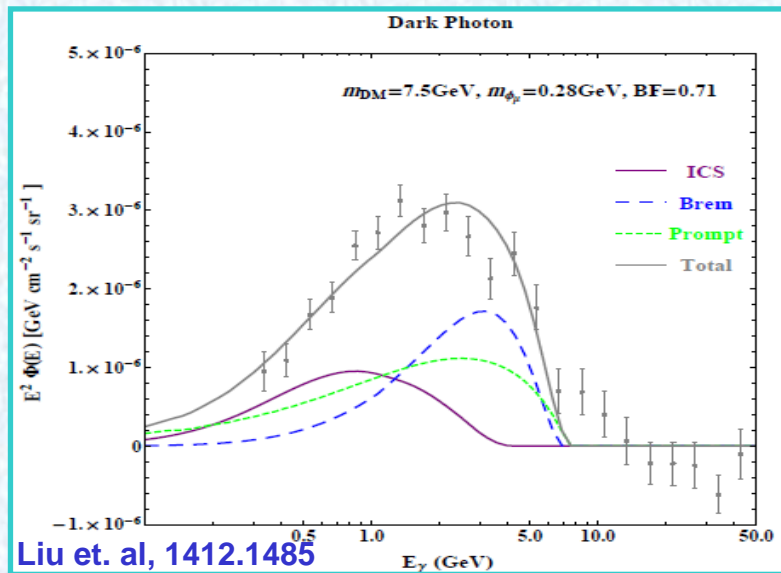
GeV gamma-ray excess in the Galactic Center



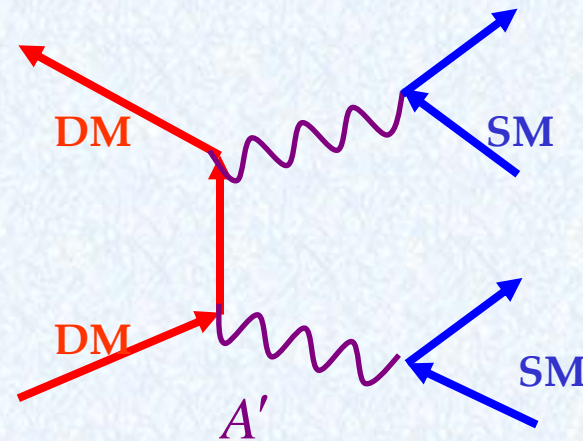
✦ An extended gamma-ray excess with a high significance peaking at a few GeV in the Fermi-LAT data was reported by Hooper and Goodenough in 2009.

✦ This excess is found in the Galactic center and inner galaxy, and is confirmed by many groups in 2013 and 2014.

✦ Can be explained by DM annihilations into b quarks. But constrained by the anti-proton data.

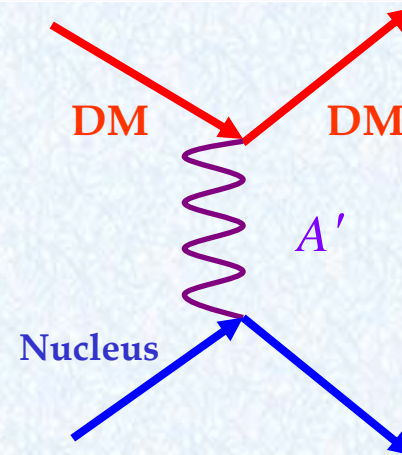
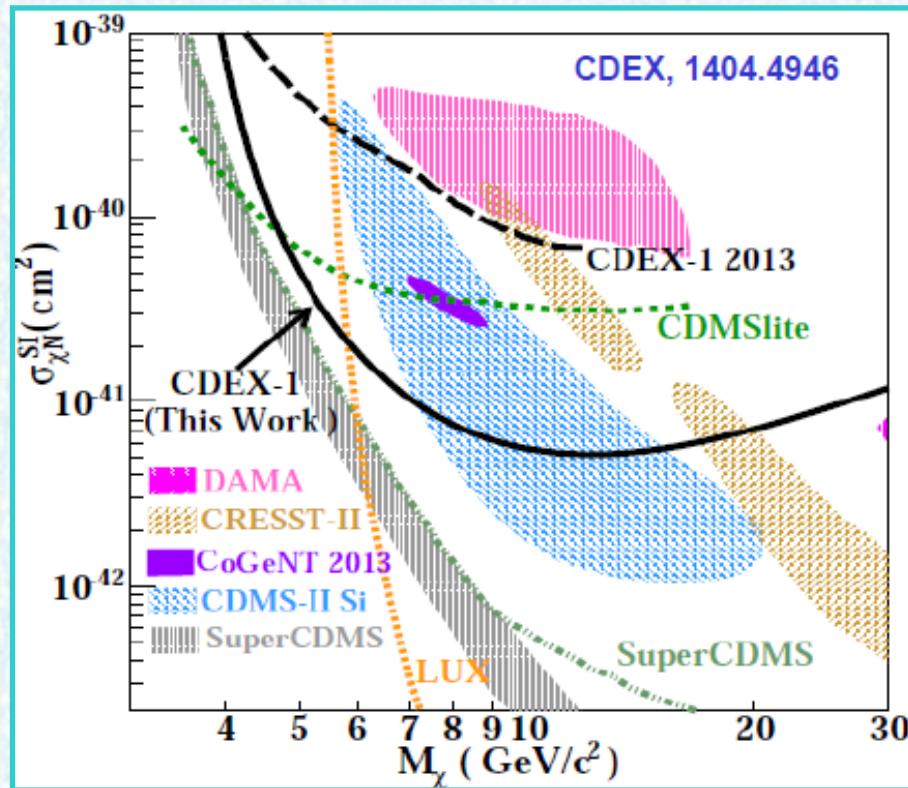


✦ This excess can also be explained by DM annihilations into dark photons.





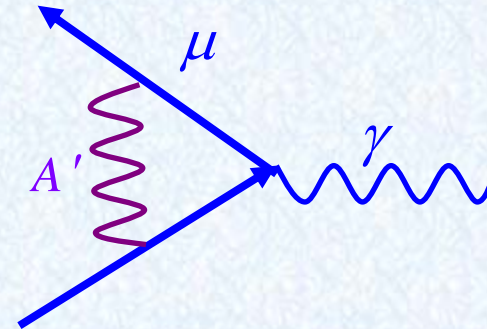
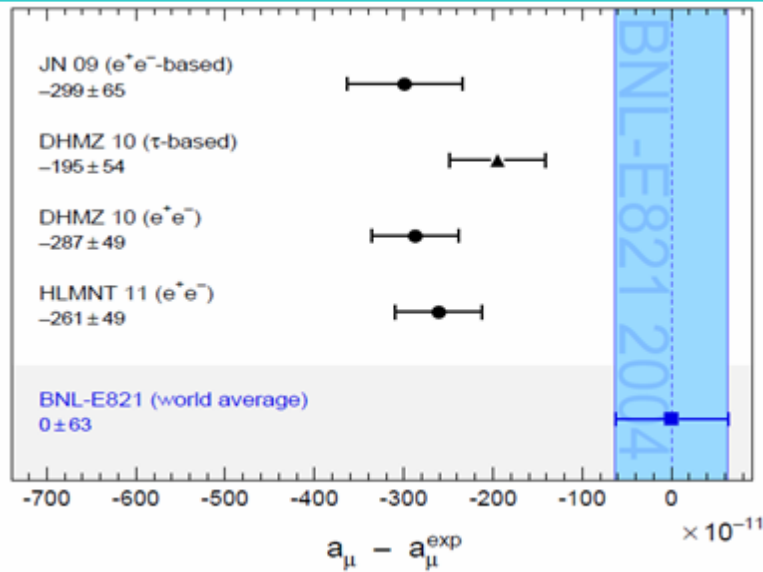
Dark photon in the DM direct detection



- Some direct detection experiments claimed the hints of light DM $\sim \text{GeV} - \text{O}(10) \text{ GeV}$, such as DAMA, CoGeNT, CRESST, and CDMS-Si
- Can be easily explained by the exchange of dark photon
- But the nature of these anomaly is still unclear. Severely **constrained** by other experiments, such as XENON, LUX, Super-CDMS, CDEX...



Anomalous muon $g-2$



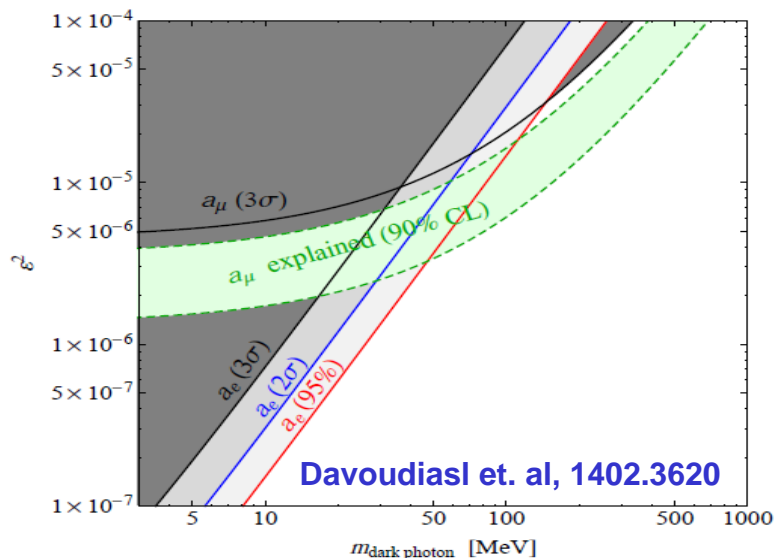
✦ The discrepancy between the theoretical predictions and experimental results is $\sim 3\sigma$.

✦ Hint for BSM, new particles in the loop, SUSY?

✦ Can be explained by the dark photon

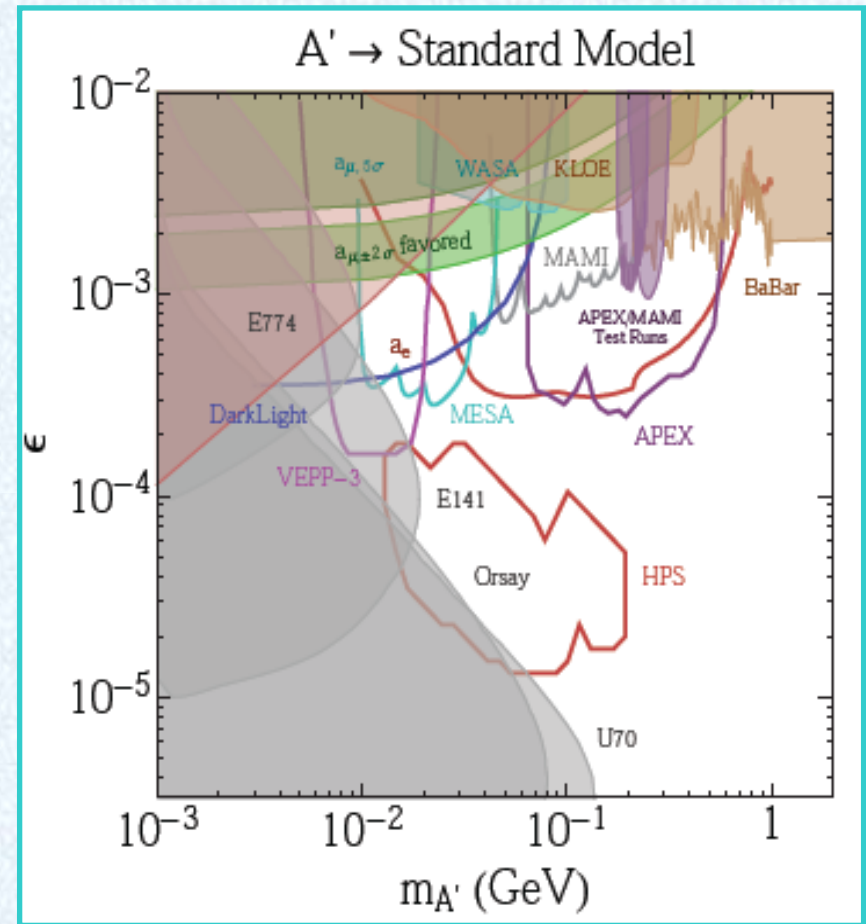
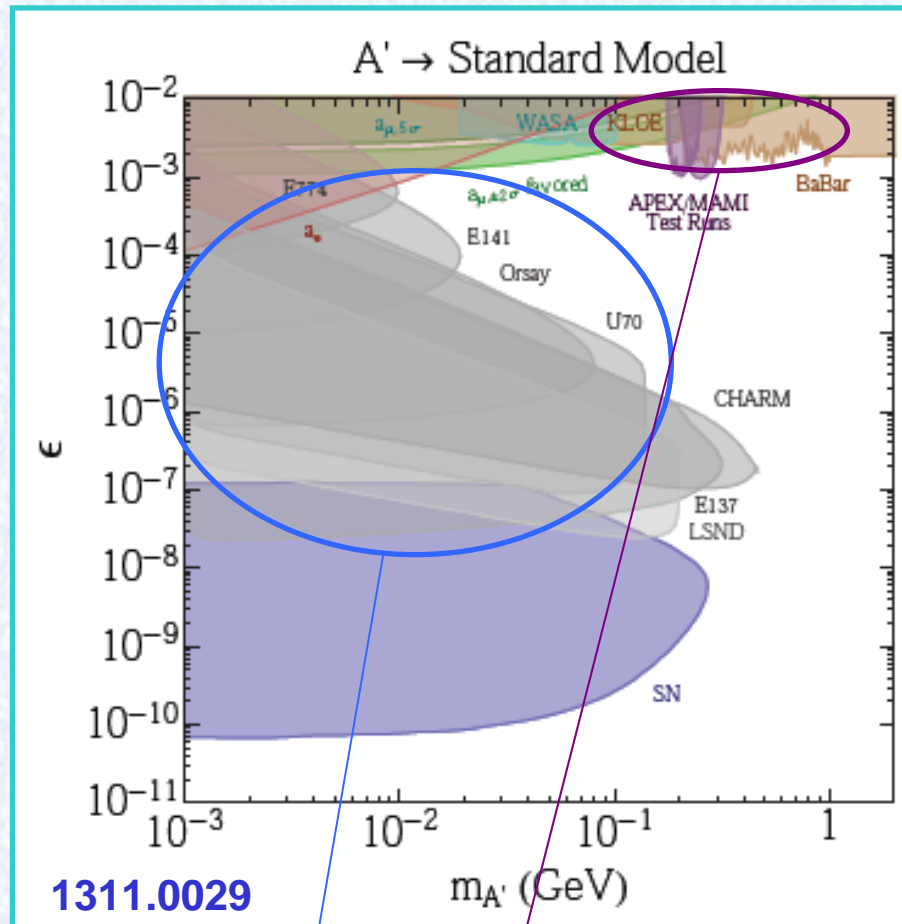
$$\varepsilon^2 \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \sim 10^{-9}$$

✦ But the parameter space is severely constrained





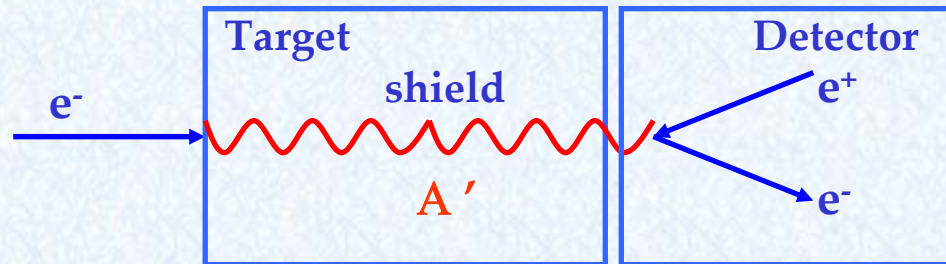
Current limits from terrestrial experiments ($m_{\gamma'} > \text{MeV}$)



- + Dark photon in this mass range can decay into charged leptons and mesons
- + Beam dump experiments; Fixed target experiments
- + Low energy e^+e^- colliders: direct production, rare meson decay
- + High energy colliders



Electron beam dump experiments



⊕ ep collisions can produce dark photons. Dark photons travel through the shield, and decay into electron-positron pairs in the detector

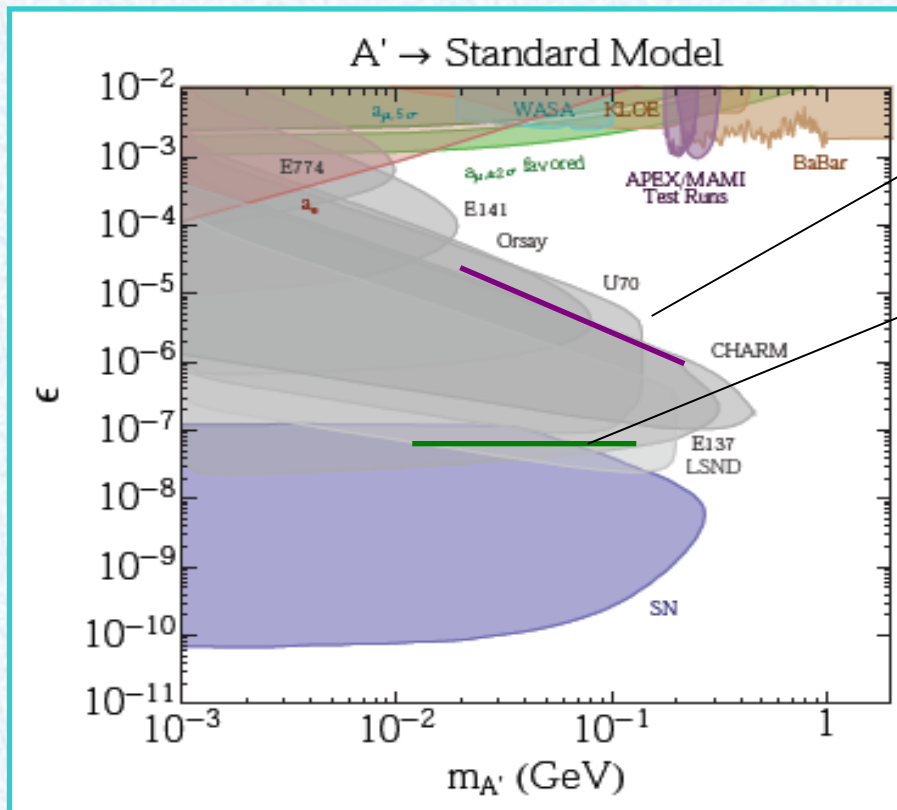
⊕ Very high luminosity

⊕ Constraints are set for particular parameter space

large mixing \rightarrow small lifetime of dark photon \rightarrow can not decay in the detector

small mixing \rightarrow small production of dark photon \rightarrow no enough statistic

⊕ Experiments with shields of $O(\text{cm} \sim 100\text{m})$



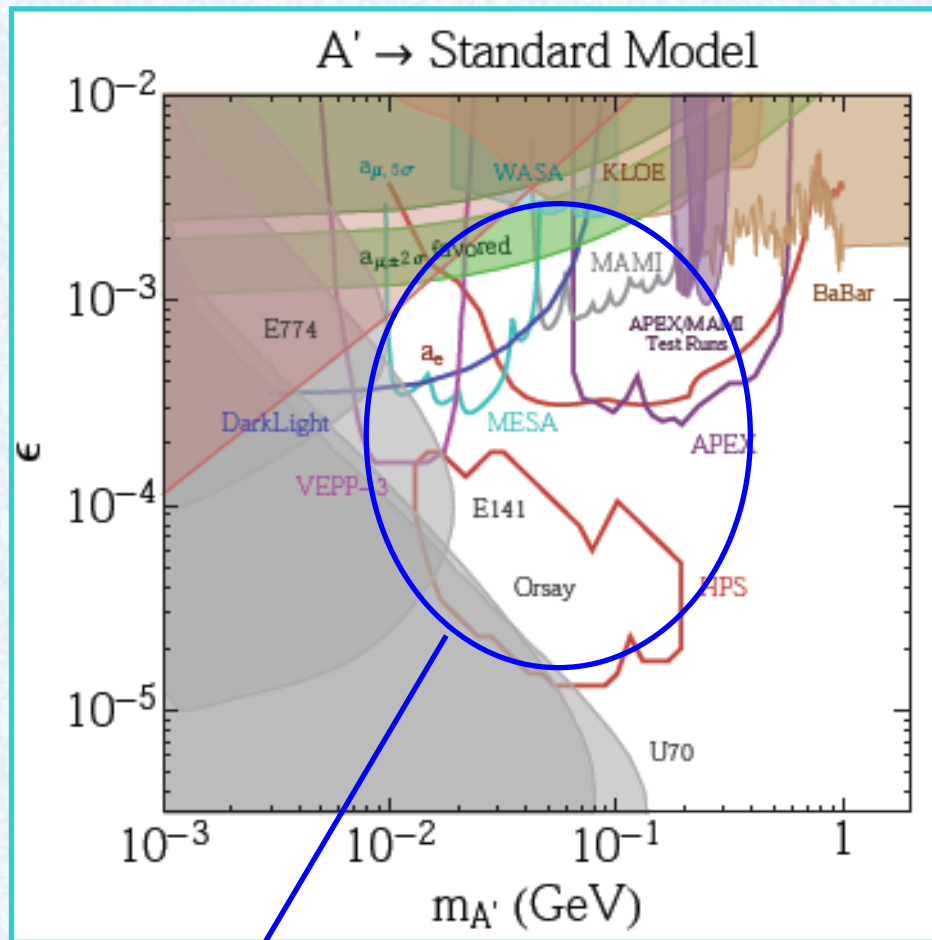
$$\sigma_{A'} \sim 100 \text{ pb} (\epsilon/10^{-4})^2 (100 \text{ MeV}/m_{A'})^2$$

$$\gamma c\tau \sim 1 \text{ mm} (\gamma/10) (10^{-4}/\epsilon)^2 (100 \text{ MeV}/m_{A'})$$

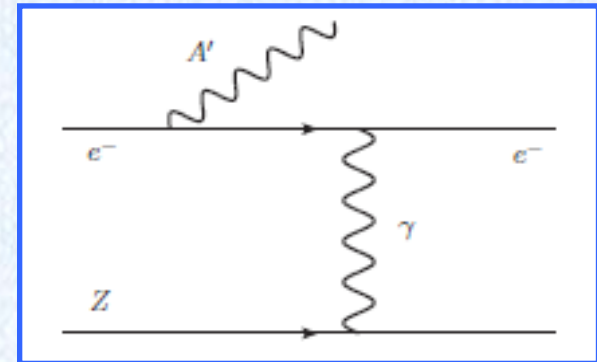
$$\sigma \sim \frac{\alpha^3 Z^2 \epsilon^2}{m^2} \sim O(10 \text{ pb})$$



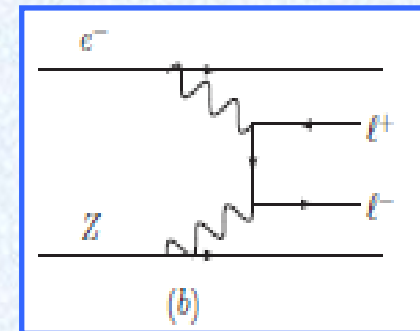
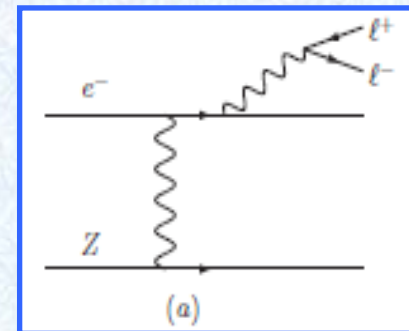
Electron fixed target experiments



- ⊕ The lifetime of dark photon is small ($\sim < O(1)$ cm)
- ⊕ Need thin target



- ⊕ Produced dark photons are extremely forward

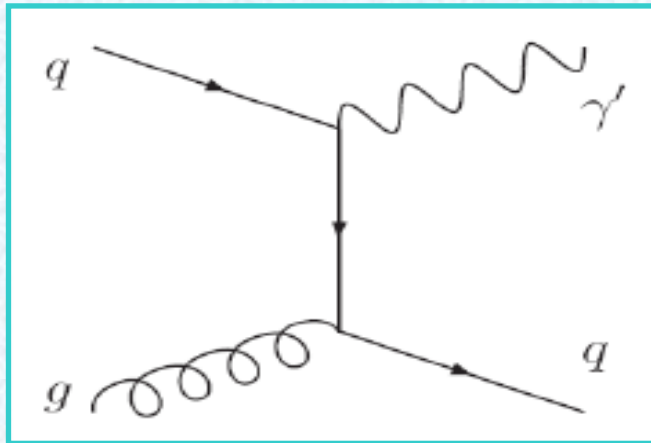


- ⊕ Radioactive and Bethe-Heitler BG
- ⊕ Reconstruct the **displaced decay vertex** and **invariant mass** of the dark photon to suppress BG

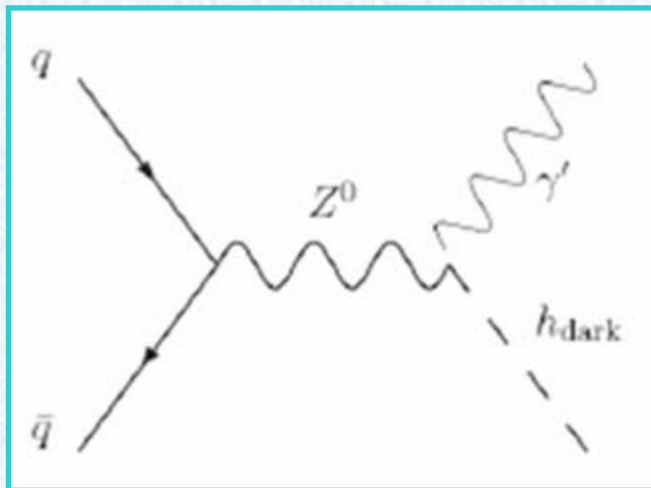


Research at High energy colliders

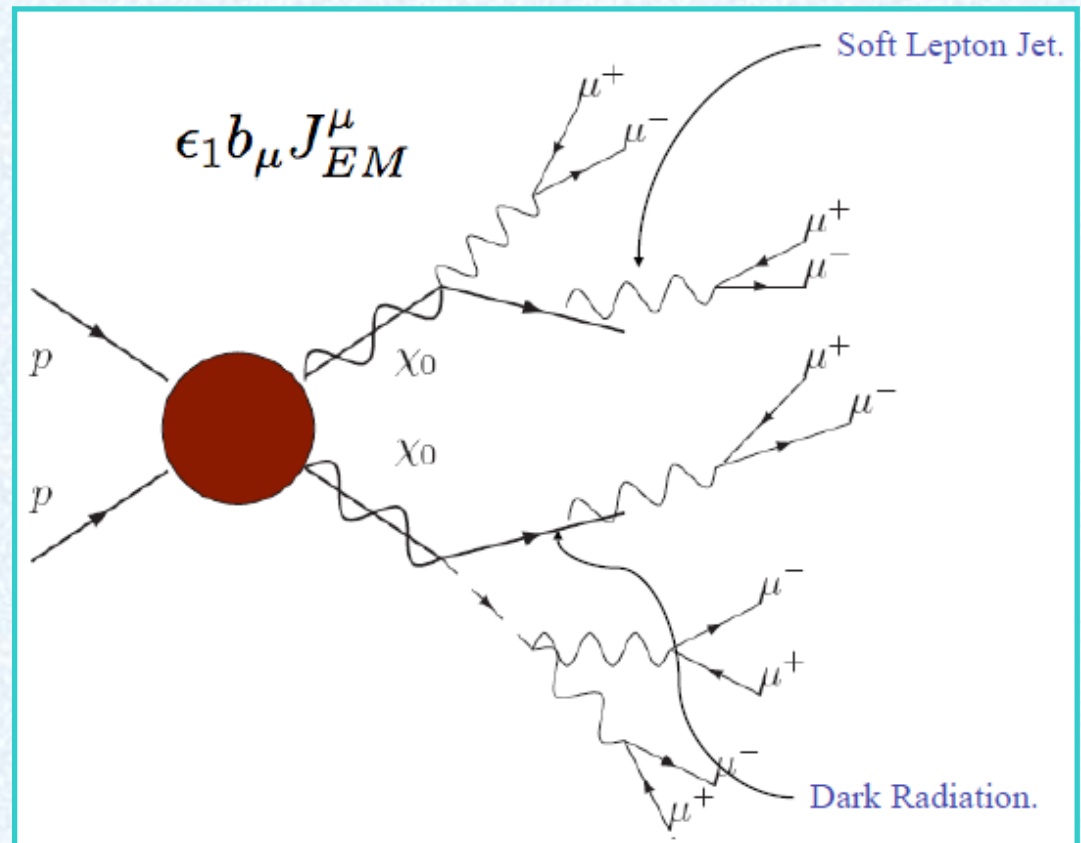
- ⊕ Direct production (suppressed by small mixing)



- ⊕ Dark higgs strahlung



- ⊕ Cascade decay, e.g SUSY particles would decay into dark photon without suppression

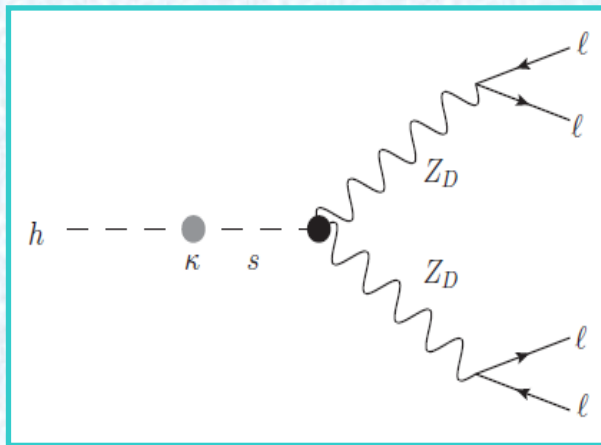
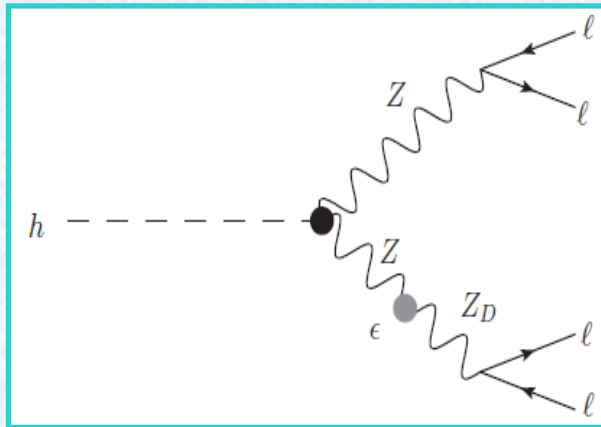


The typical signal is highly boosted lepton pair-"lepton jet"

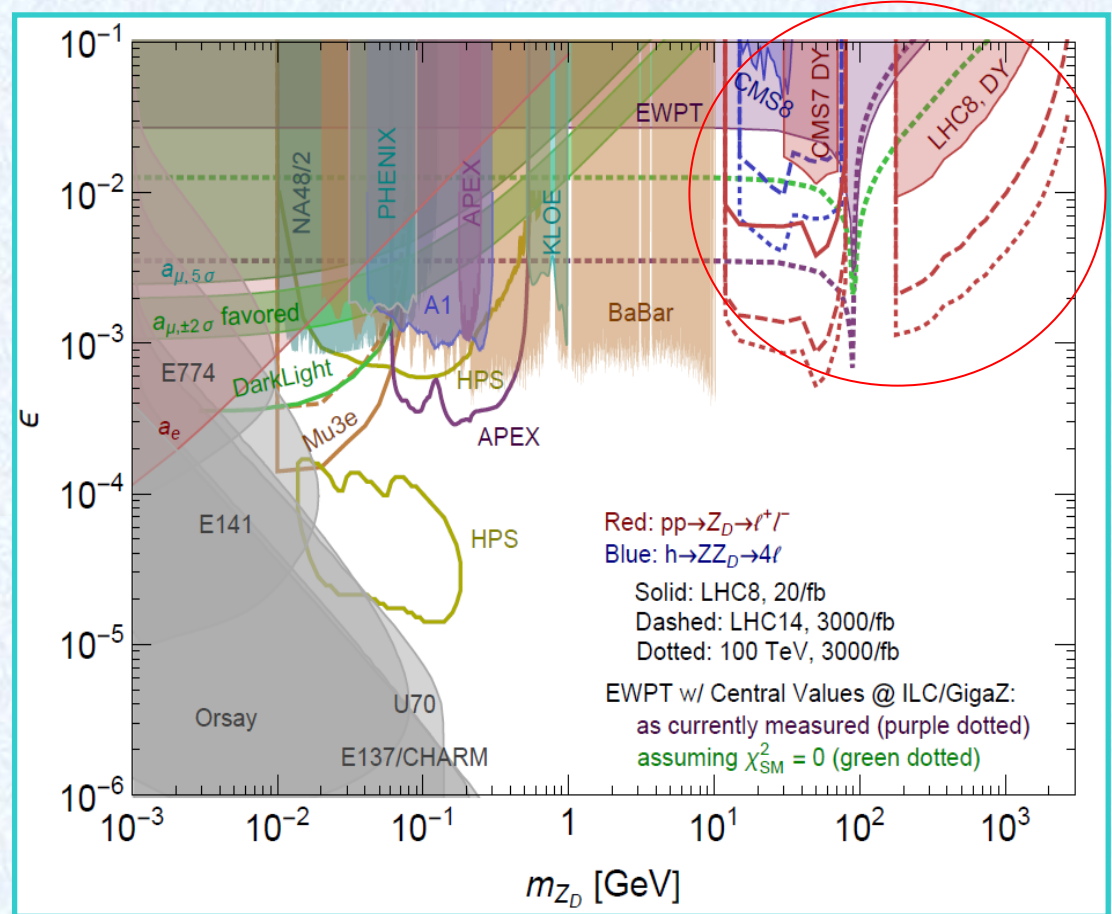


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✚ Exotic higgs decay



Curtin et. al, 1412.0018

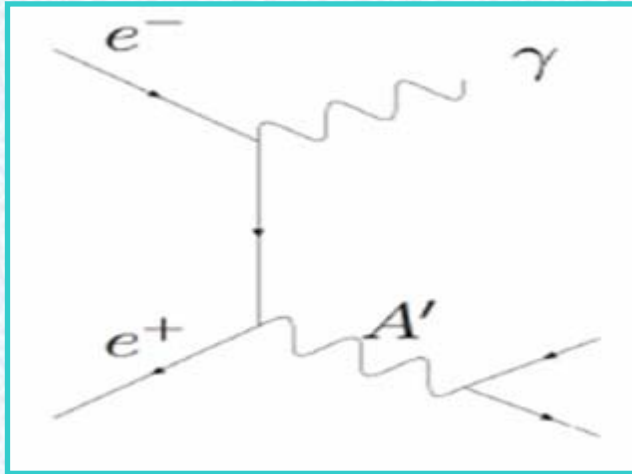


✚ Hadron colliders cover the region of heavy dark photon

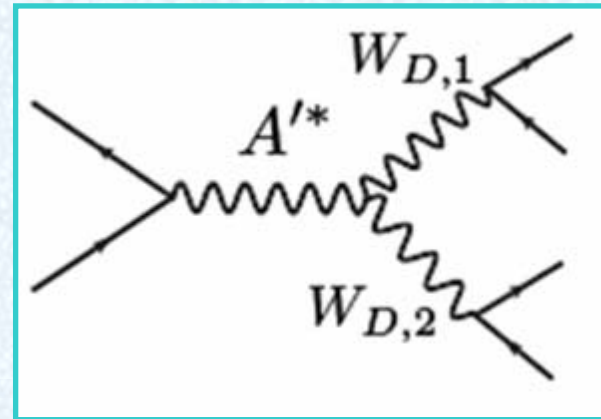


Dark photon production at e^+e^- colliders

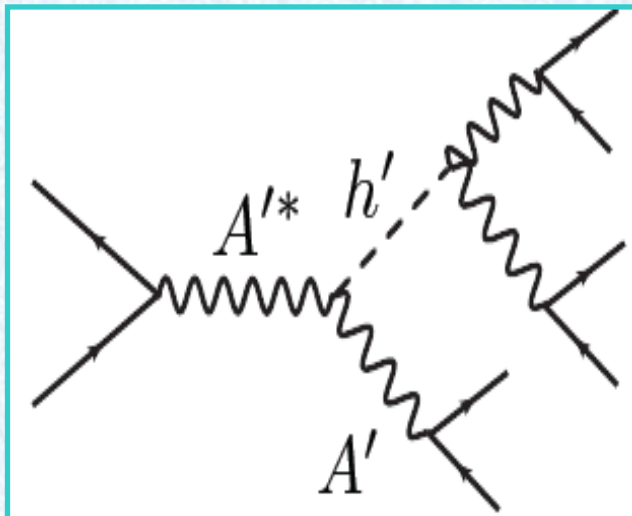
⊕ **Direct production**, $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma l^+l^-$



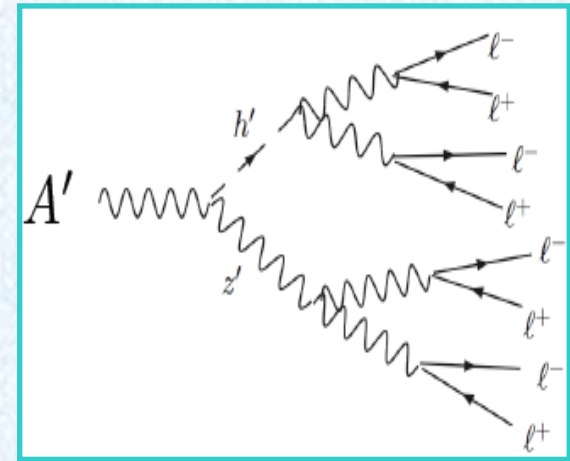
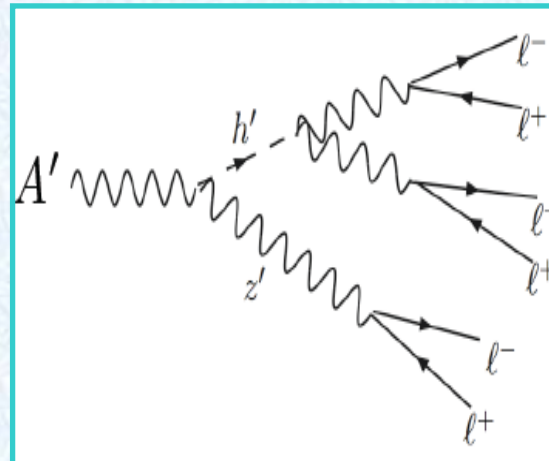
⊕ **Non-abelian gauge boson**, $e^+e^- \rightarrow V'V' \rightarrow 2 l^+l^-$



⊕ **Higgs strahlung**, $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma h' \rightarrow 3 l^+l^-$



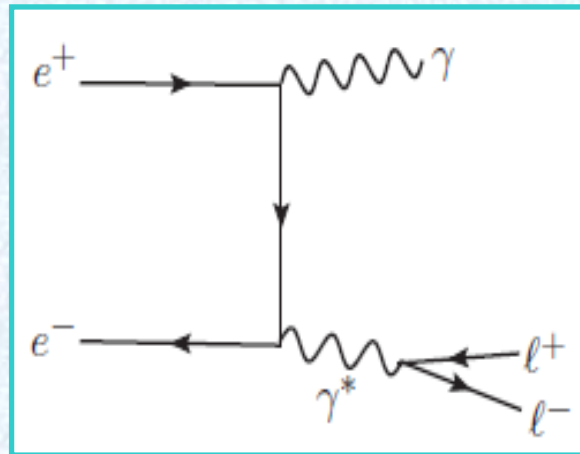
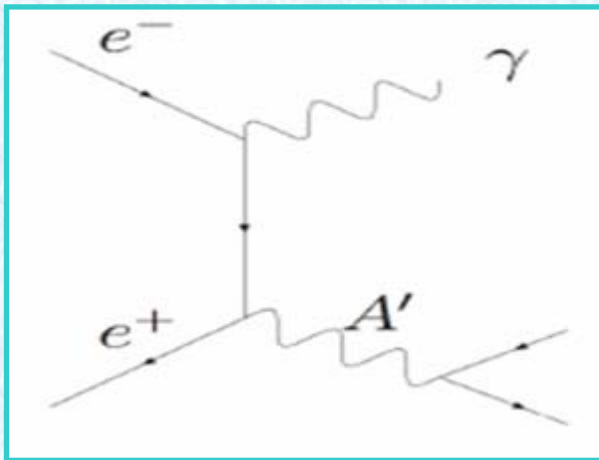
⊕ **Other complicated decay chains**



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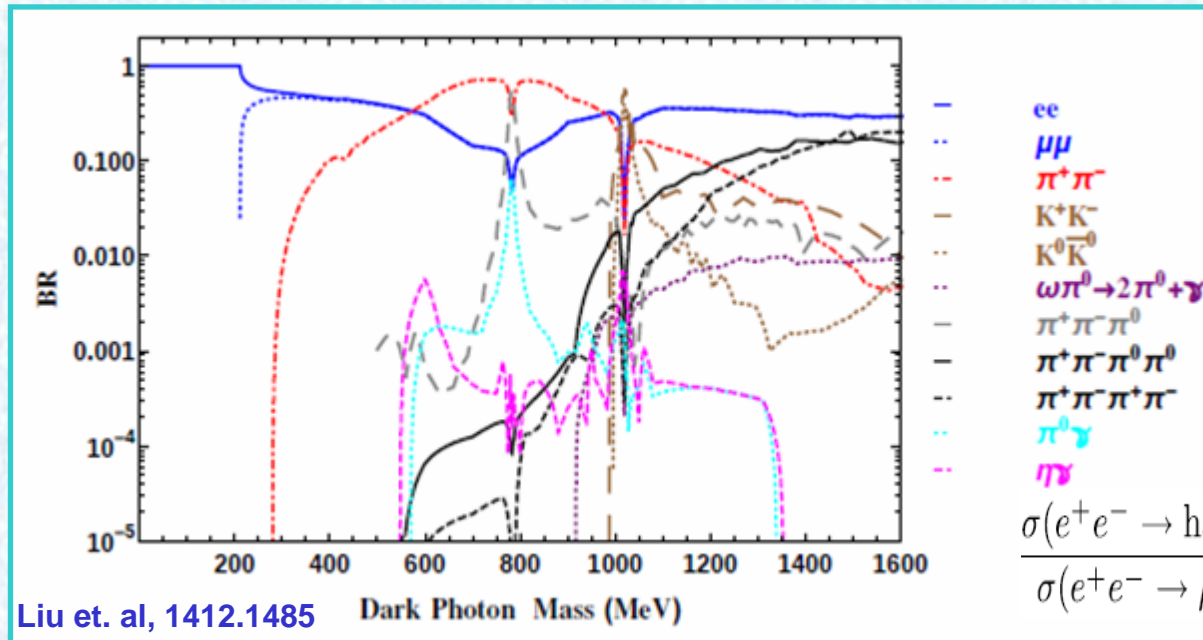


Production and decay of dark photon



- It is better to produce dark photon at low energy colliders with high luminosity

$$\sigma \sim \frac{\alpha^2 \epsilon^2}{E^2} \sim O(10 \text{ fb})$$



- Large QED background
- Reconstructing invariant mass to suppress the background
- Decay branching ratios can be derived from e^+e^- collision results

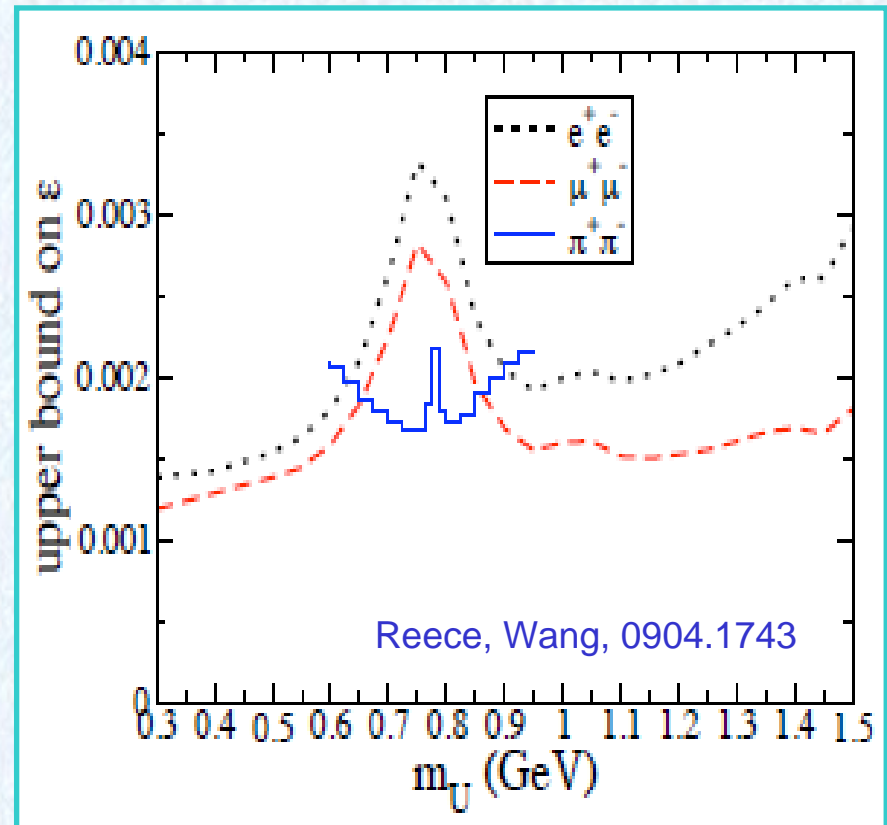
$$\frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}, s)}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-, s)} = \frac{BR(b_\mu \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{BR(b_\mu \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- (\text{or } e^+e^-))}$$



Reach for direct production

$$\frac{S}{\sqrt{B}} \sim \sqrt{\sigma_0 \mathcal{L}} \frac{\epsilon^2}{\sqrt{\alpha/\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{m_{b_\mu}}{\delta m}} \times \text{BR}(U \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-)$$

- ✦ Assuming luminosity $\sim 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- ✦ Resolution $\sim \text{MeV}$
- ✦ Rate of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \sim 10^4 \text{ pb}$
- ✦ Reach for ϵ is proportional to $L^{-1/4}$





Meson decay

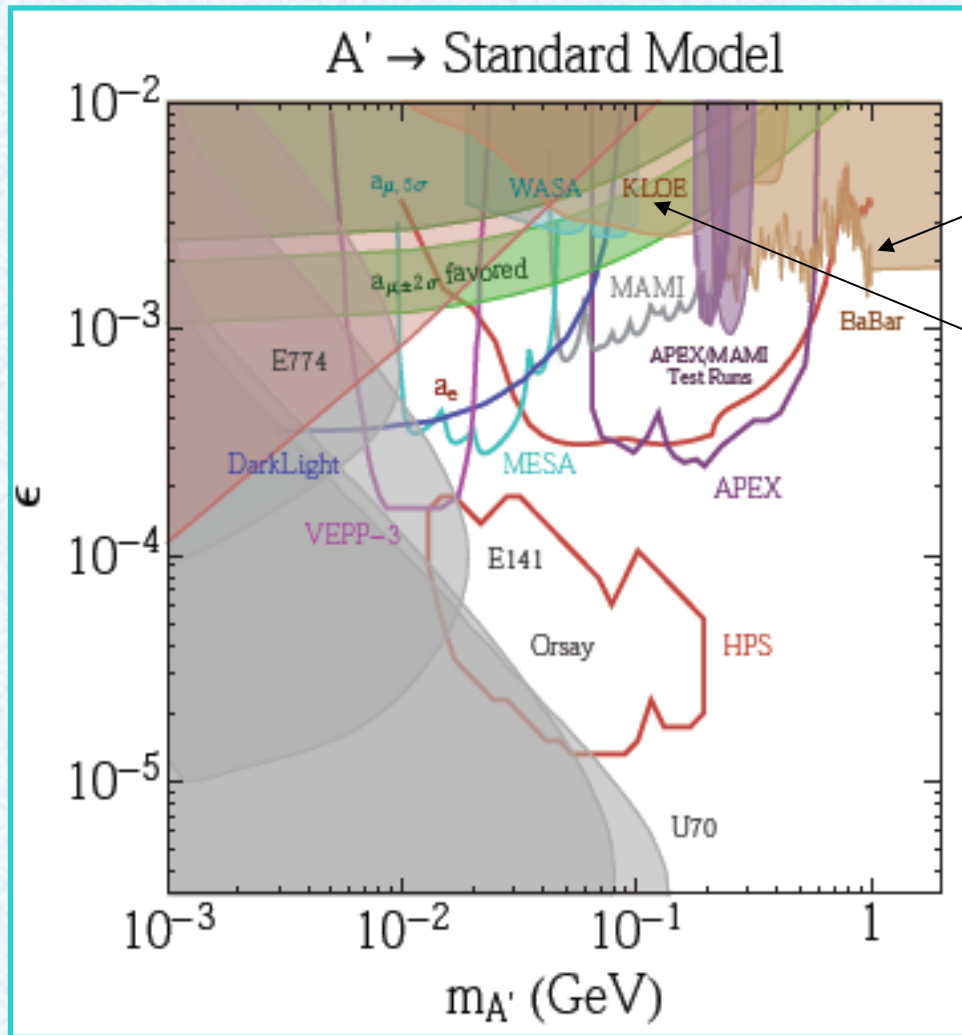
- Dark photon can be produced from decays of mesons, ρ , η , ϕ , Y , J/ψ , with $\text{BR} \sim \epsilon^2 \text{BR}(\text{meson} \rightarrow \gamma)$
- Signal significance can be estimated as

$$\frac{S}{\sqrt{B}} \approx \sqrt{n_X} \frac{\epsilon^2 \times \text{BR}(X \rightarrow Y + \gamma) \times \text{BR}(U \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-)}{\sqrt{\text{BR}(X \rightarrow Y + \gamma^* \rightarrow Y + \ell^+ \ell^-)}} \sqrt{\frac{m_U}{\delta m} \log \left(\frac{m_X - m_Y}{2m_\ell} \right)}$$

$X \rightarrow YU$	n_X	$m_X - m_Y$ (MeV)	$\text{BR}(X \rightarrow Y + \gamma)$	$\text{BR}(X \rightarrow Y + \ell^+ \ell^-)$	$\epsilon \leq$
$\eta \rightarrow \gamma U$	$n_\eta \sim 10^7$	547	$2 \times 39.8\%$	6×10^{-4}	2×10^{-3}
$\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 U$	$n_\omega \sim 10^7$	648	8.9%	7.7×10^{-4}	5×10^{-3}
$\phi \rightarrow \eta U$	$n_\phi \sim 10^{10}$	472	1.3%	1.15×10^{-4}	1×10^{-3}
$K_L^0 \rightarrow \gamma U$	$n_{K_L^0} \sim 10^{11}$	497	$2 \times (5.5 \times 10^{-4})$	9.5×10^{-6}	2×10^{-3}
$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ U$	$n_{K^+} \sim 10^{10}$	354	-	2.88×10^{-7}	7×10^{-3}
$K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu U$	$n_{K^+} \sim 10^{10}$	392	6.2×10^{-3}	7×10^{-8a}	2×10^{-3}
$K^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu U$	$n_{K^+} \sim 10^{10}$	496	1.5×10^{-5}	2.5×10^{-8}	7×10^{-3}



Some results from e^+e^- colliders

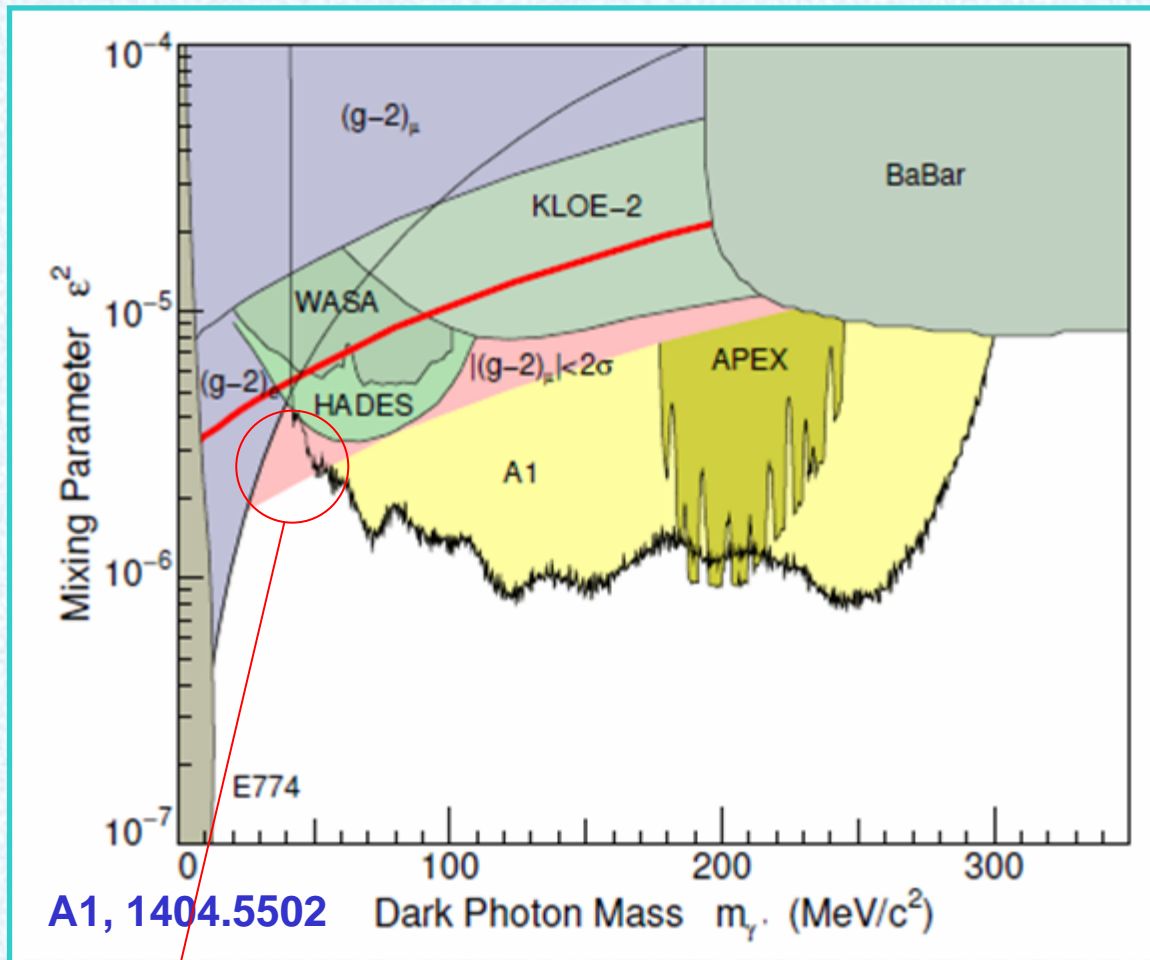


$$\Upsilon(2S, 3S) \rightarrow \gamma A^0, A^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

$$\phi(1020) \rightarrow \eta A', A' \rightarrow e^+ e^-$$



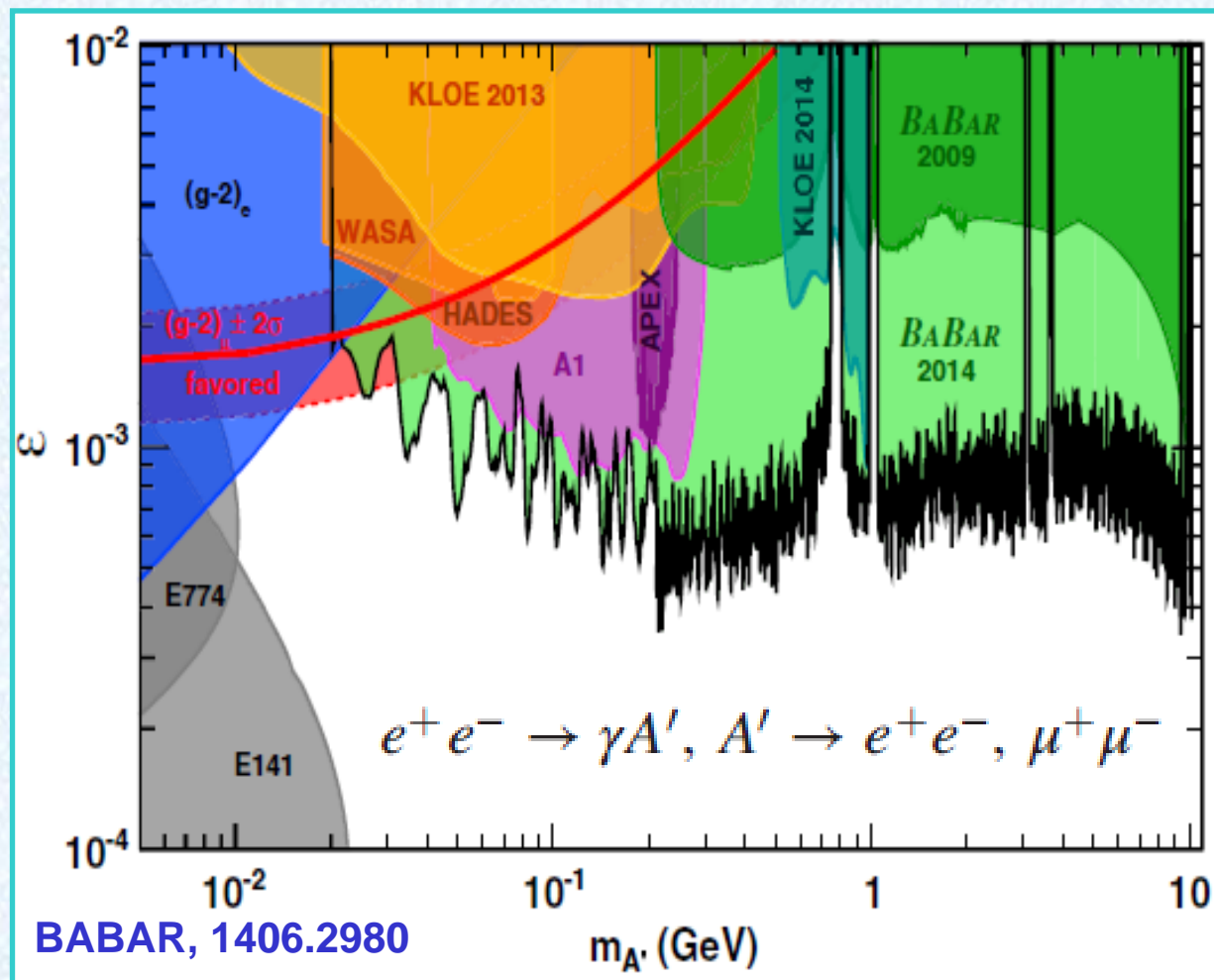
Recent result from MAMI



- ⊕ Results from MAMI have excluded most of parameter space for muon $g-2$
- ⊕ Only a small window ~10-50 MeV is still alive



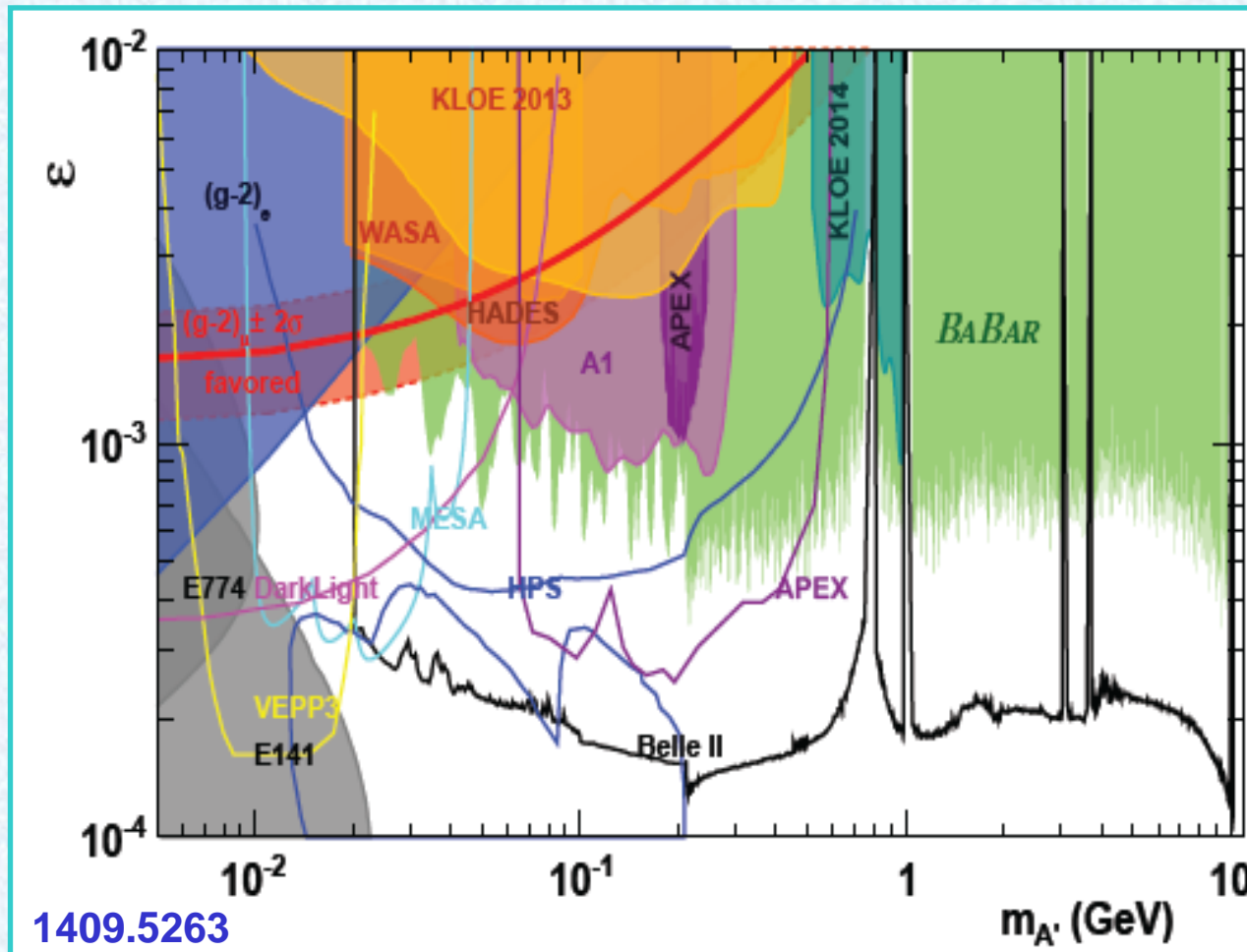
Recent result from BABAR



- ✦ The limit on the mixing parameter is $O(10^{-4})$

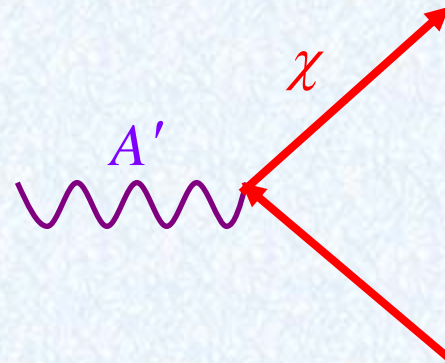
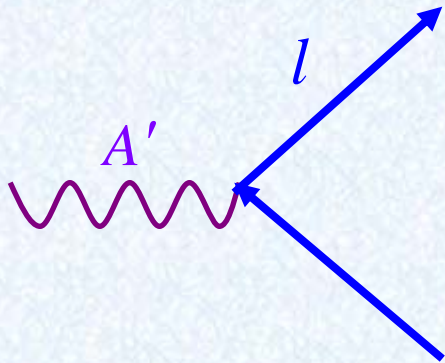


Sensitivities of future experiments





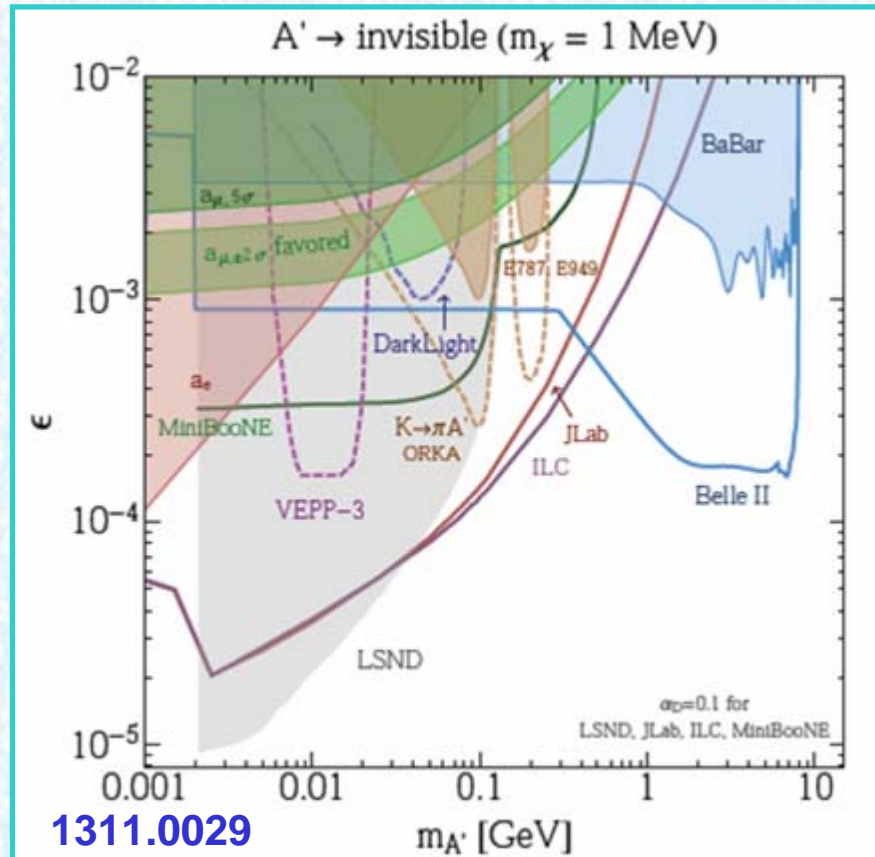
Invisible decay of the dark photon



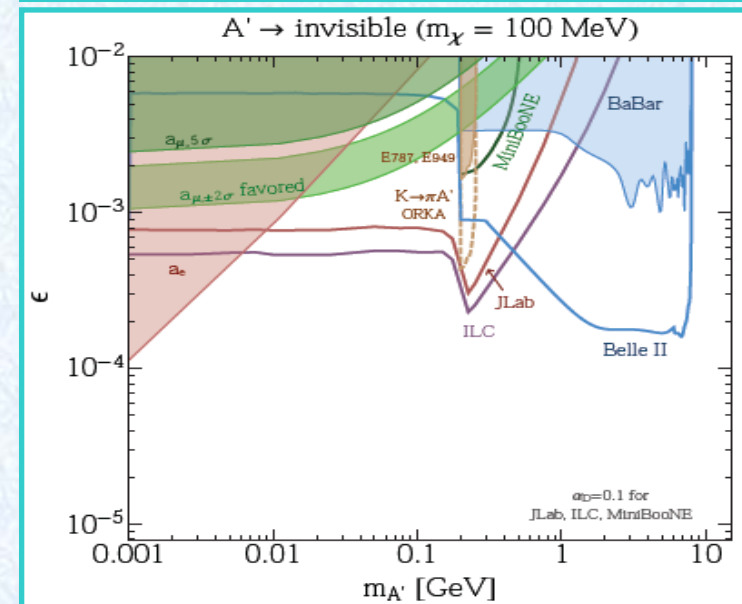
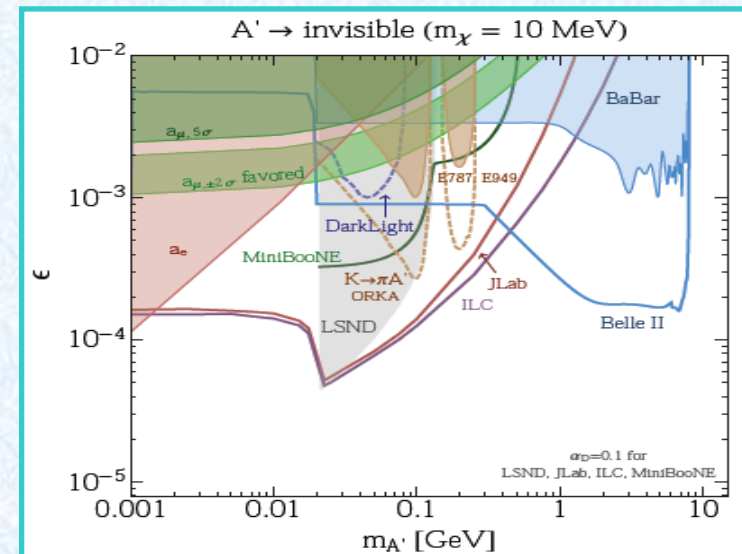
- ⊕ If the DM particle is light enough, dark photon can decay into a pair of DM
- ⊕ In this case, visible decay is suppressed by a factor of ϵ^2 , but invisible decay is not suppressed
- ⊕ The constraints from previous studies may be changed



Constraints on the invisible dark photon

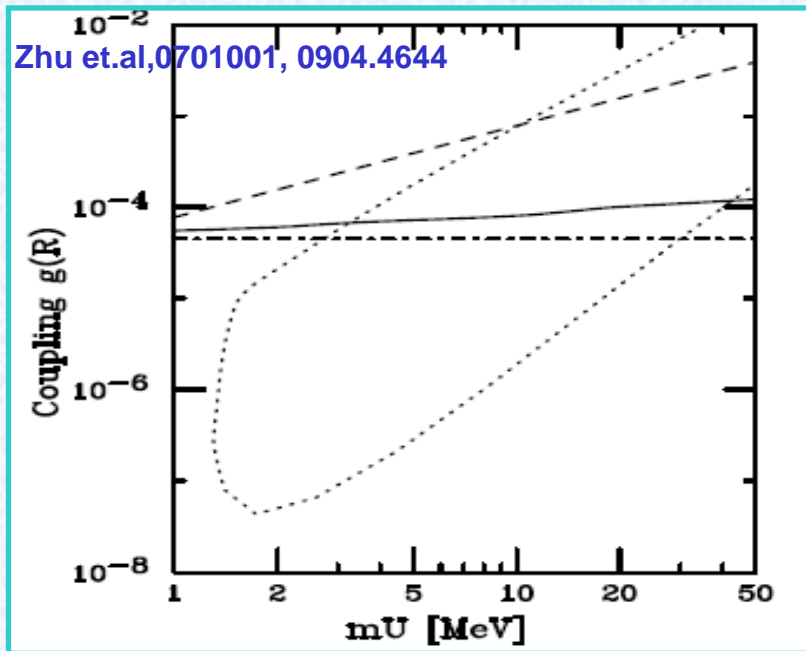


- ✦ The constraints also depend on the DM mass

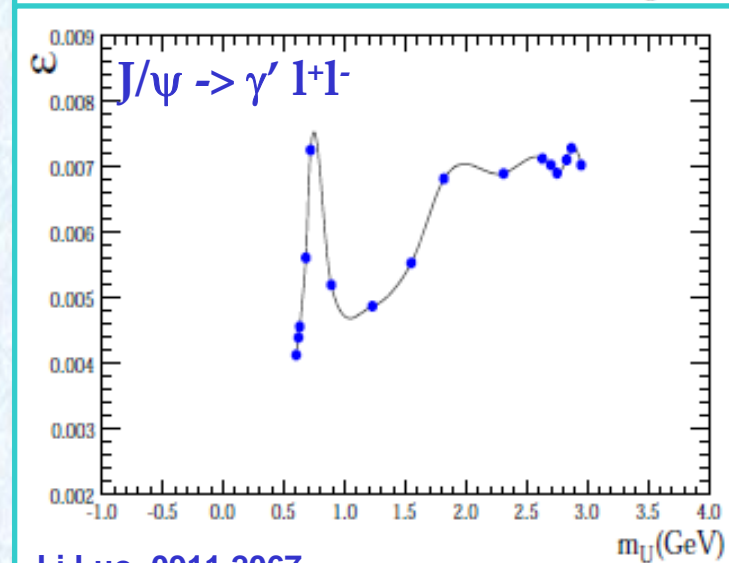
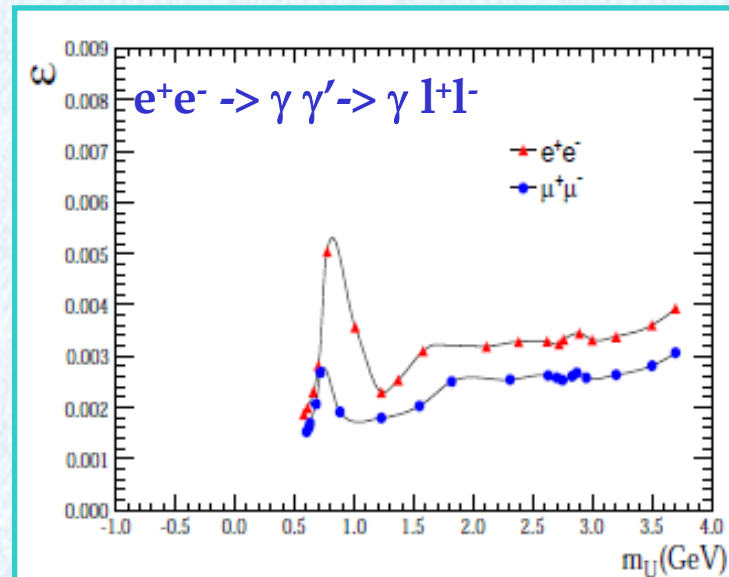




Dark sector at BES



- + Large number of J/ψ
- + $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \gamma' \rightarrow \gamma l^+l^-$
- + $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma' l^+l^- \rightarrow 4l$
- + $\Psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma' \chi_{c1,2} \rightarrow e^+e^- \chi_{c1,2}$
- + $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma' h' \rightarrow l^+l^- + \text{inv}$
- + $J/\psi \rightarrow 3\gamma' \rightarrow 6l$



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Invisible decay at BESIII

J/ψ decay mode	Number of events /10 billion J/ψ decays
$J/\psi \rightarrow \phi\eta$	$(31.4 \pm 3.4) \times 10^5$ $(25.7 \pm 2.8) \times 10^5$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \phi\eta'$	$(16.2 \pm 1.9) \times 10^5$ $(9.6 \pm 1.2) \times 10^5$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \omega\eta$	$(13.9 \pm 1.4) \times 10^6$ $(6.2 \pm 0.6) \times 10^6$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \omega\eta'$	$(1.5 \pm 0.2) \times 10^6$ $(0.7 \pm 0.1) \times 10^6$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \rho^0\eta$	$(1.9 \pm 0.2) \times 10^6$ $(0.8 \pm 0.09) \times 10^6$
$J/\psi \rightarrow \rho^0\pi^0$	$(55.3 \pm 5.8) \times 10^6$

$\psi(2S)$ decay mode	Number of events expected
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$	9.3×10^8
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0 J/\psi$	5.6×10^8
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \eta J/\psi$	9.3×10^7
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^0 J/\psi$	3.7×10^6
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c0}$	2.7×10^8
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c1}$	2.6×10^8
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c2}$	2.5×10^8
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(1S)$	7.8×10^6
$J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\eta_c(1S)$	1.3×10^8

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- ✦ With huge J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ samples at BESIII, the rare decays is feasible



Some results from BESIII

+ Invisible decay

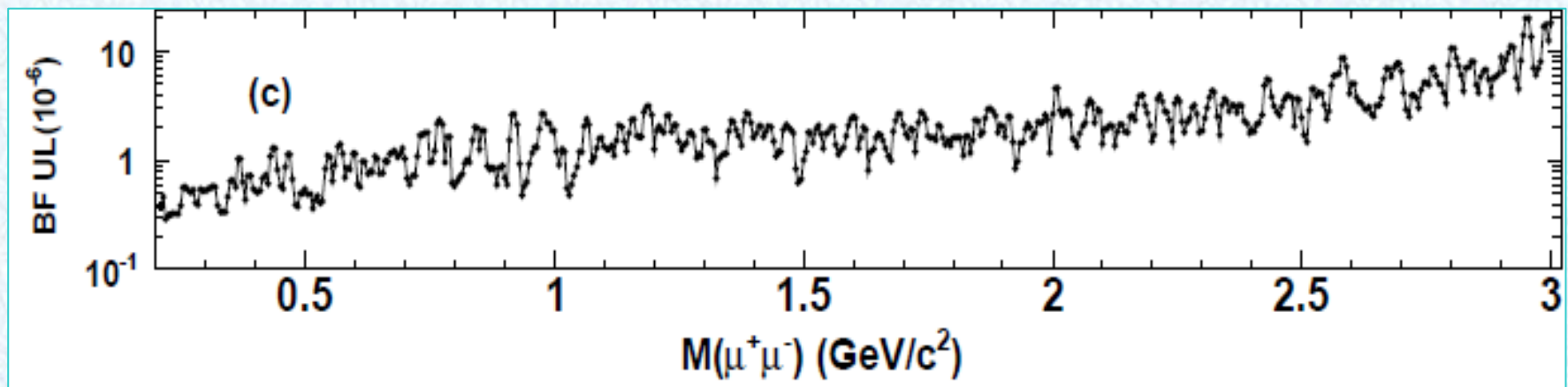
- + Search for $J/\psi \rightarrow \phi \eta(\eta') \rightarrow K^+ K^- + \text{inv}$
- + Sample $\sim 2.25 \times 10^8 J/\psi$
- + $\text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \text{inv}) / \text{Br}(\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) < 2.6 \times 10^{-4}$
- + $\text{Br}(\eta' \rightarrow \text{inv}) / \text{Br}(\eta' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) < 2.6 \times 10^{-4}$

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PRD 87 012009(2013)

+ Visible decay

- + Search for $\psi' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi, J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma X (-> \mu^+ \mu^-)$
- + Sample $\sim 1.06 \times 10^8 \psi'$
- + Limits on the exotic decay from 4×10^{-7} to 2.1×10^{-5}

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