

# Probing GeV-scale Dark Forces with Dwarf Galaxies, Low Energy e+e- Colliders, and New Fixed-Target Experiments

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# Outline

- Theory and Motivation  
(and hints from dark matter)
- Probing GeV-scale Dark Forces
  - Indirect probe:  
 $\gamma$ -rays from DM annihilation in dwarf galaxies
  - Direct probes:
    - Low-energy  $e^+e^-$  Colliders (BaBar, BELLE, CLEO, ...)
    - Fixed-Target Experiments (e.g. @ JLab)

# Theory and Motivation

## Standard Model

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Hidden Sector?

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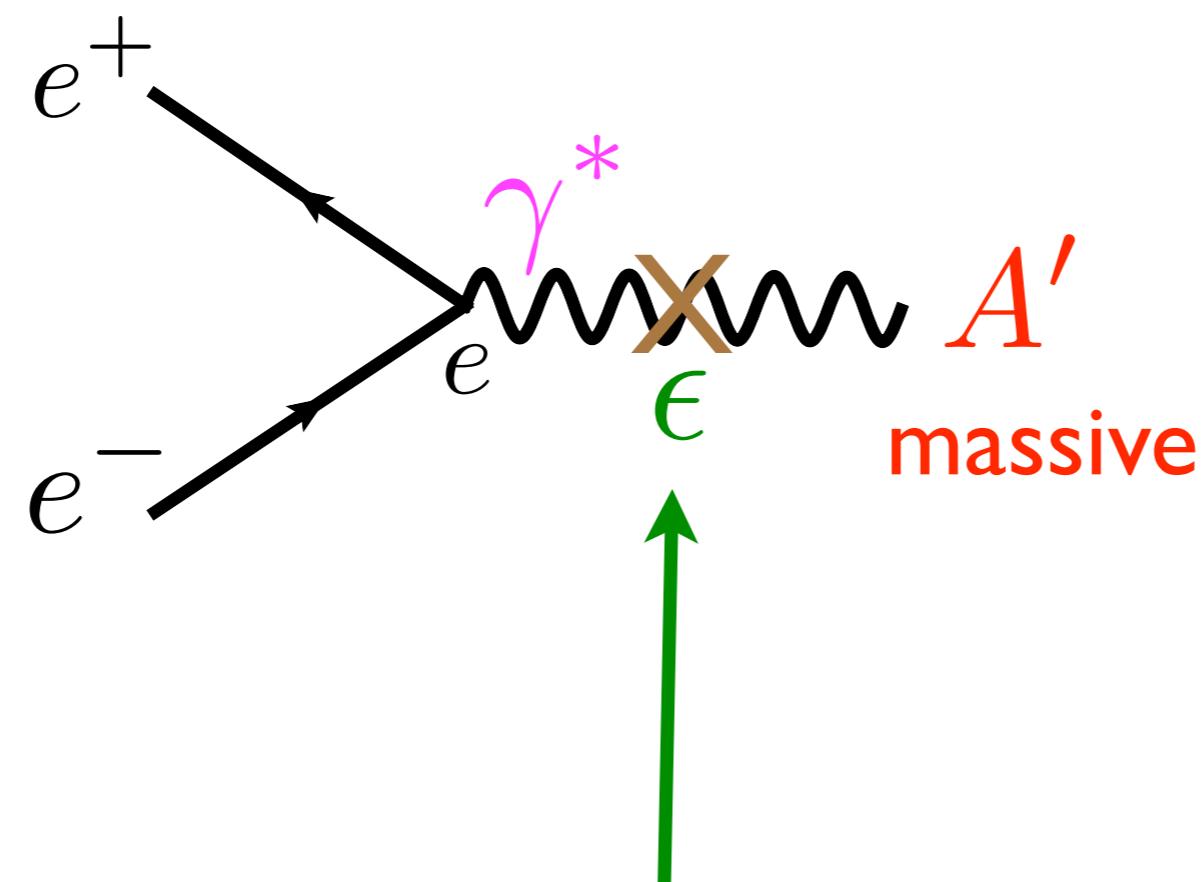
$A'$

Strong constraints exist on light new matter  
with Standard Model interactions

New, **very weak** interactions of ordinary matter with a  
hidden sector are **allowed** and an **exciting** possibility!

# Generic Coupling of Standard Model to Hidden Sector

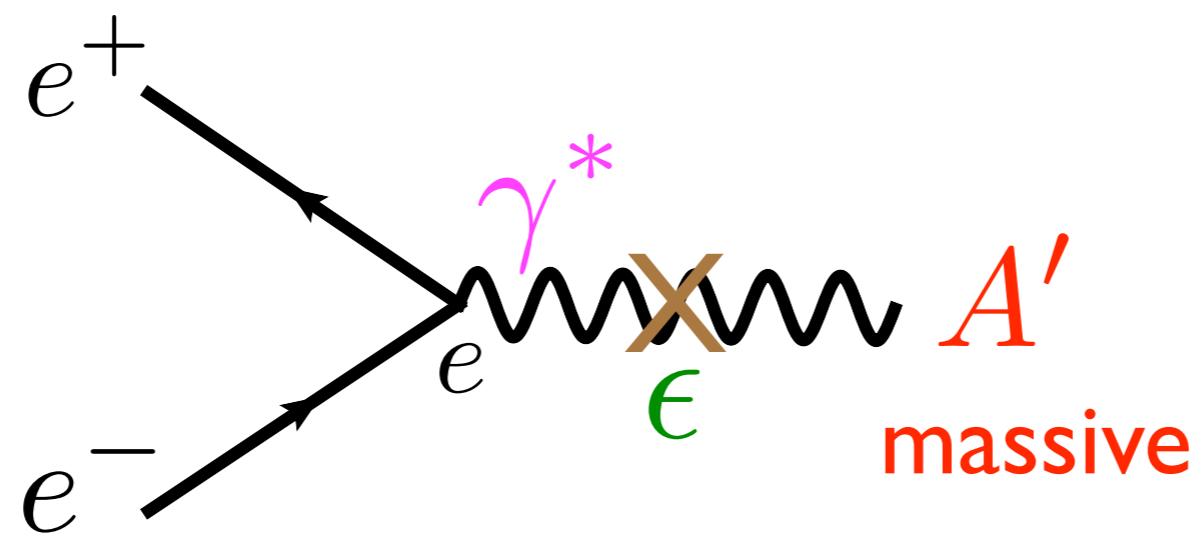
Photon can mix with a new Vector Boson  $A'$

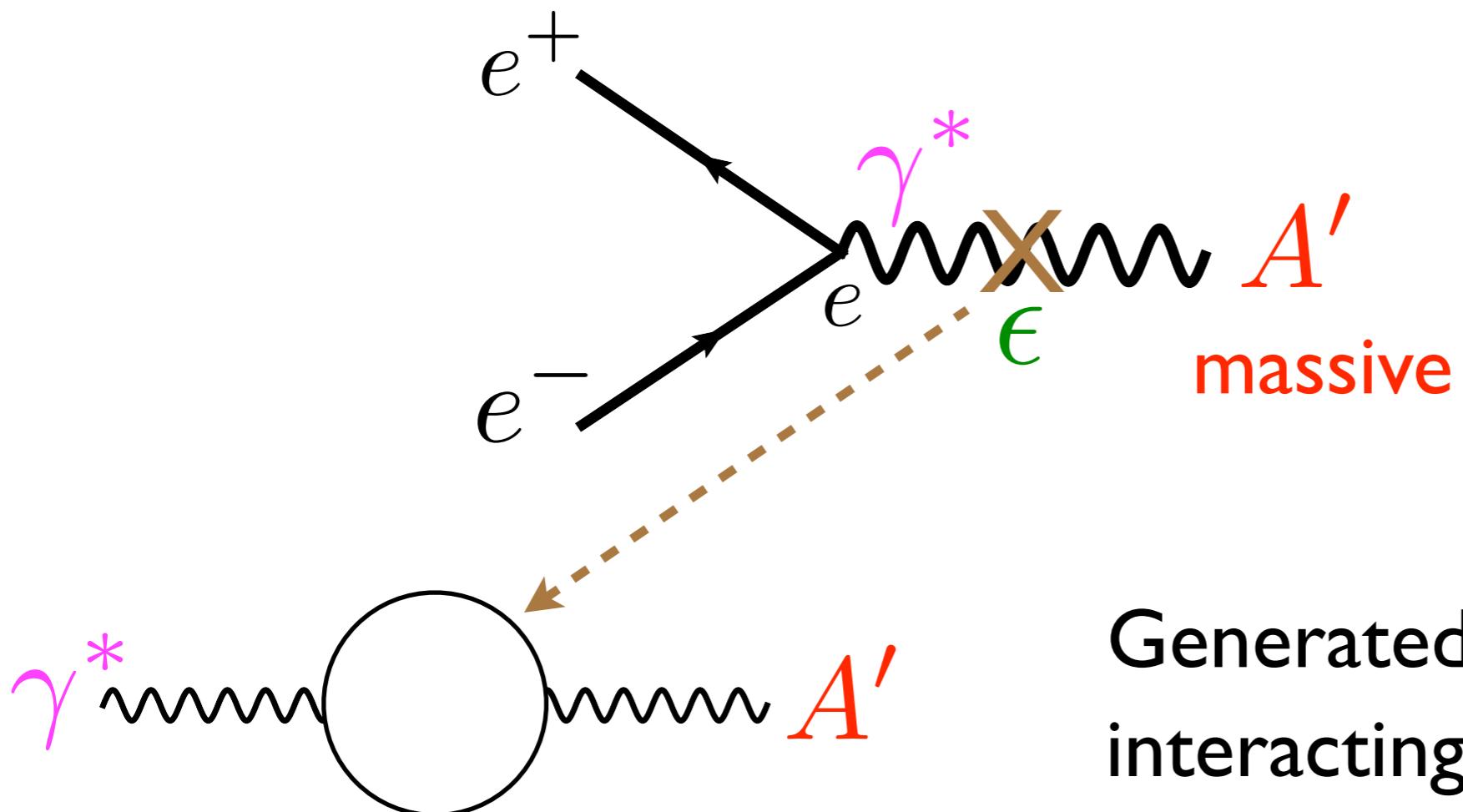


Hidden sector  
 $U(1)$

a *generic* portal from Standard  
Model to a Hidden Sector

[Holdom]



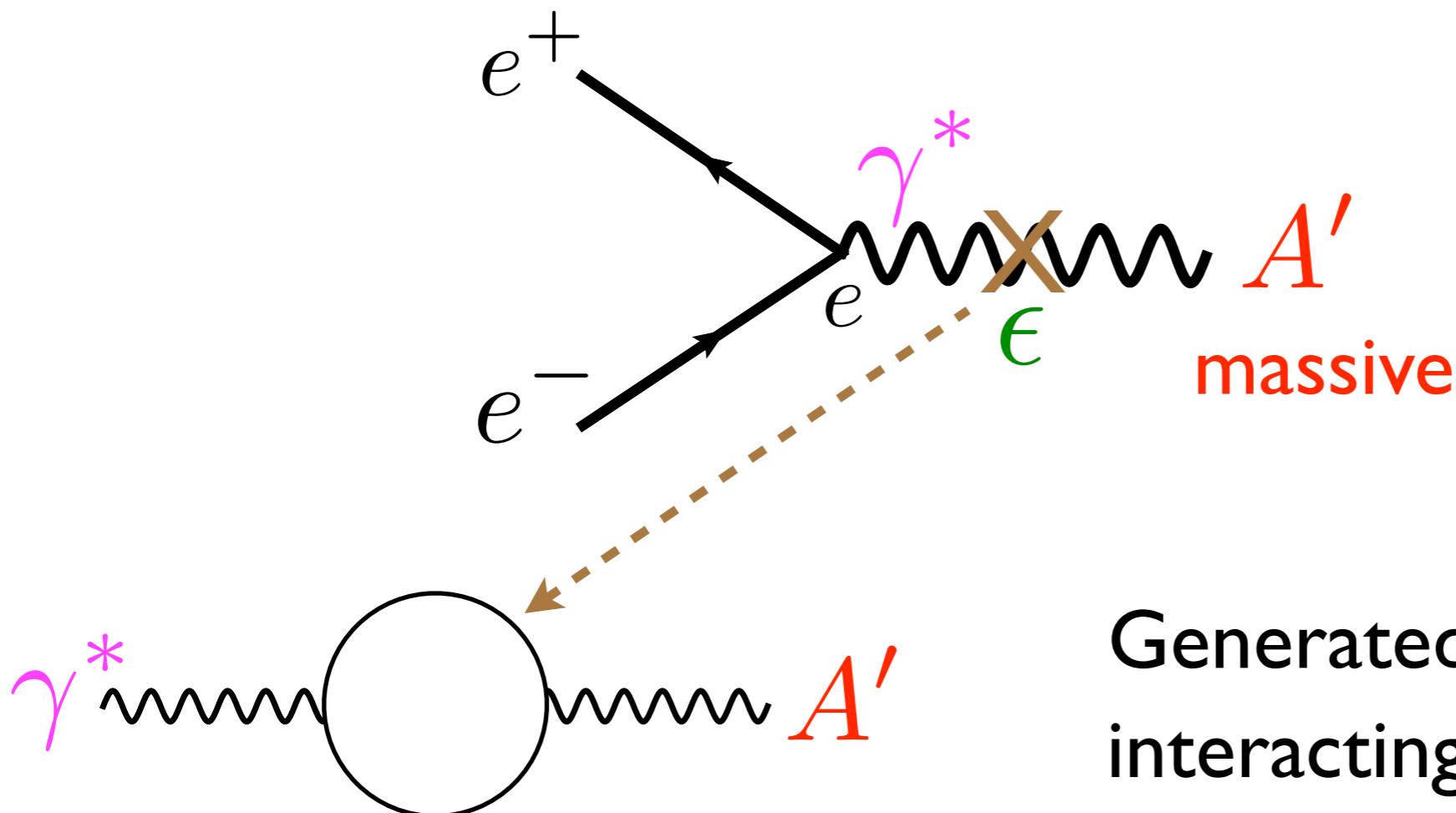


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Generated by heavy particles interacting with  $\gamma$  and  $A'$

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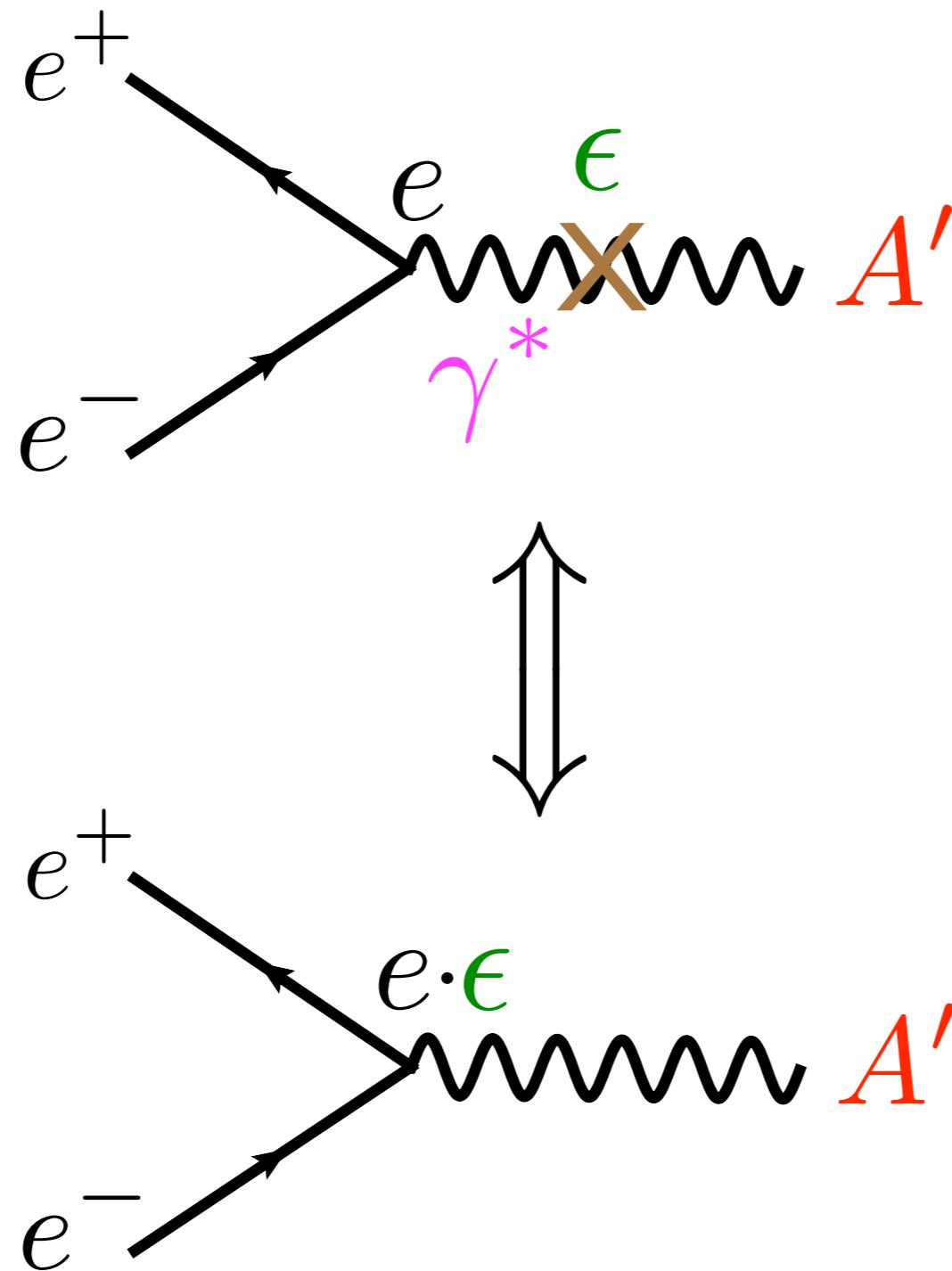
[Holdom]

$$\epsilon \sim \frac{g_D g_Y}{16\pi^2} \sum_i q_{D,i} Y_i \ln \frac{\Lambda^2}{\mu_i^2} \sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-2}$$

current constraint from BaBar and  $(g-2)_{\mu,e}$ :

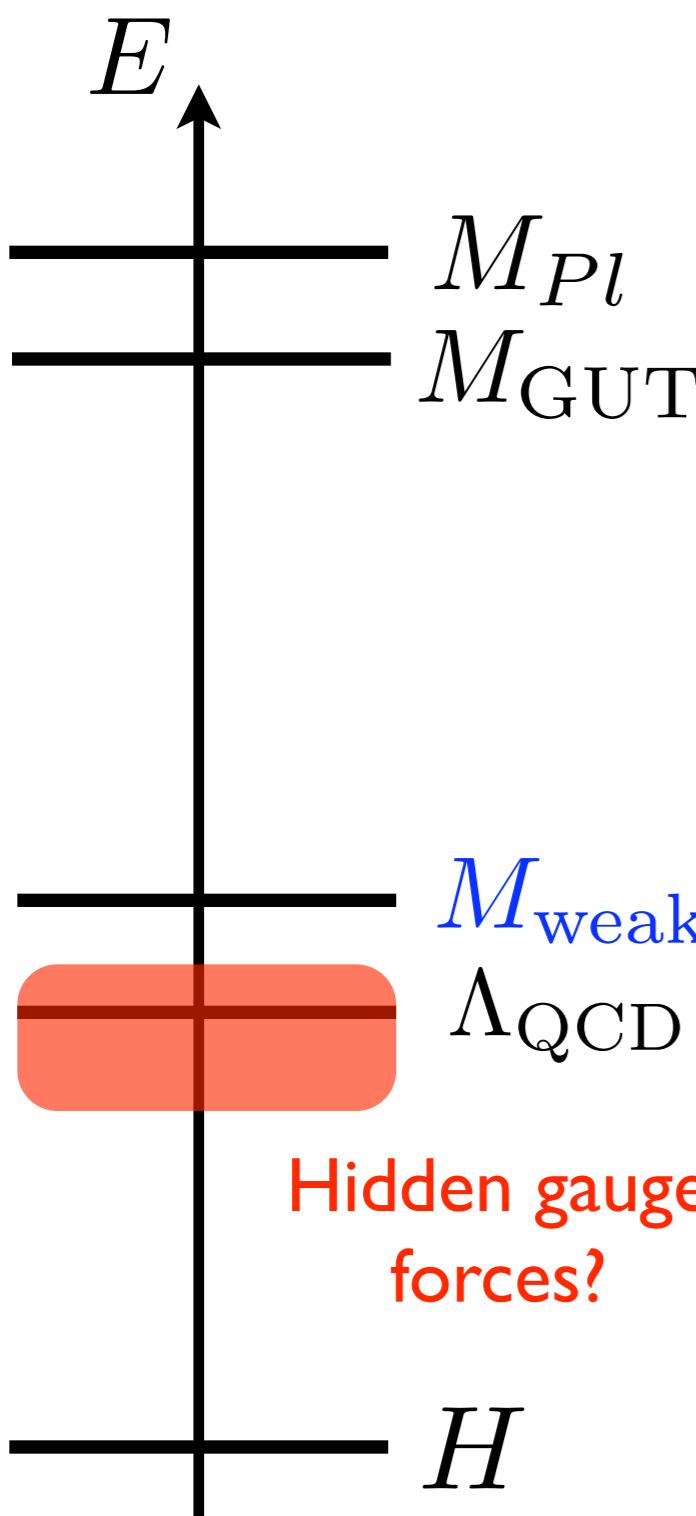
$$\epsilon \lesssim (0.3 - 1) \times 10^{-2}$$

# Useful to think about this in different way



Quarks & charged Leptons: milli-charged under  $A'$

# What is the mass of the A'?



A priori, mass could be anywhere.

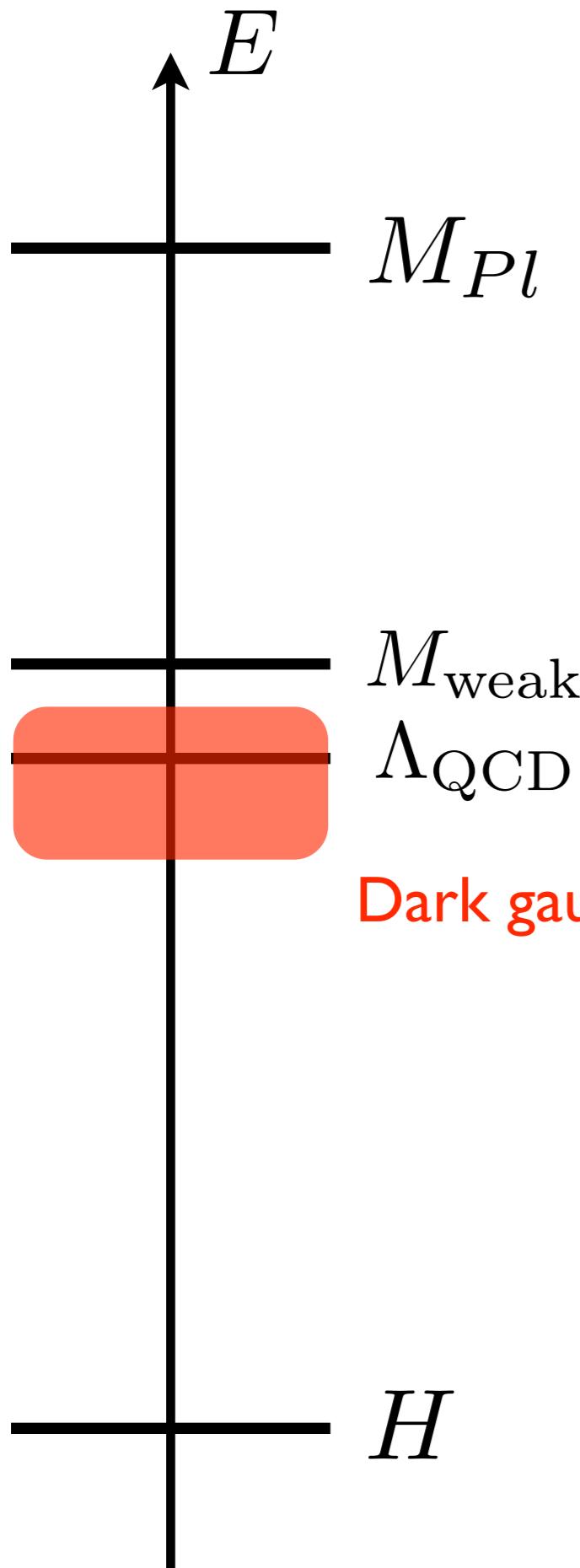
However, it is very natural for  $m_{A'}$  to be tied to  $M_{weak}$

SUSY can naturally give A' near GeV-scale

e.g.

$$m_{A'} \sim \sqrt{\epsilon g_D} m_W \sim 0.1 - 1 \text{ GeV}$$

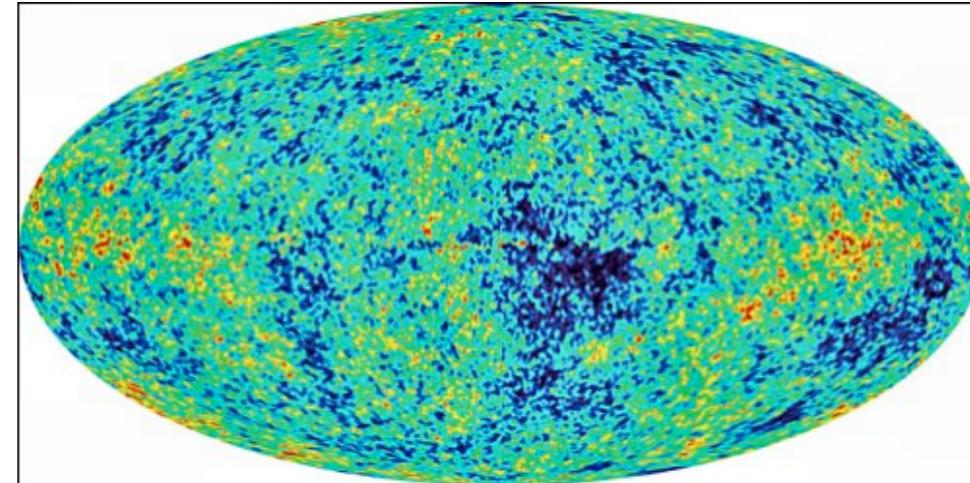
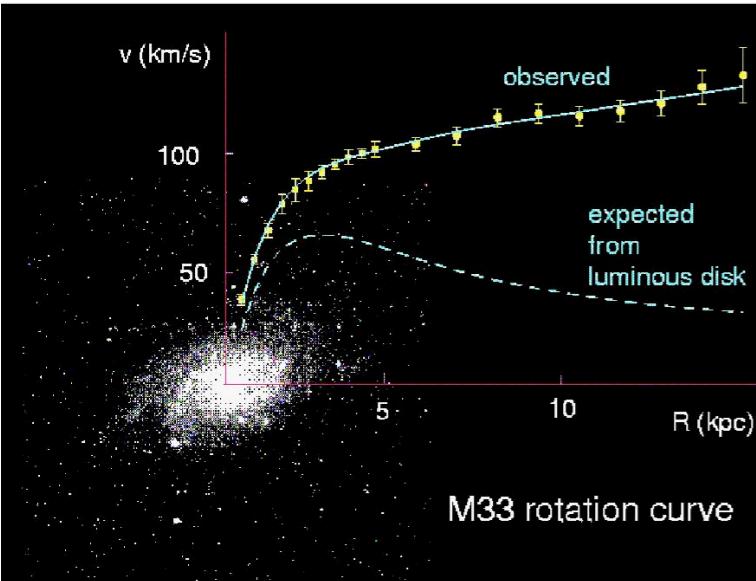
[Arkani-Hamed, Weiner; Dienes, Kolda, March-Russell; Baumgart, Cheung, Ruderman, Wang; Katz, Sundrum; Morrissey, Poland, Zurek]



We see that **GeV-scale A'** is weakly constrained and theoretically natural

There are hints for new  
**GeV-scale forces** from anomalies  
related to dark matter

# What do we know about Dark Matter?

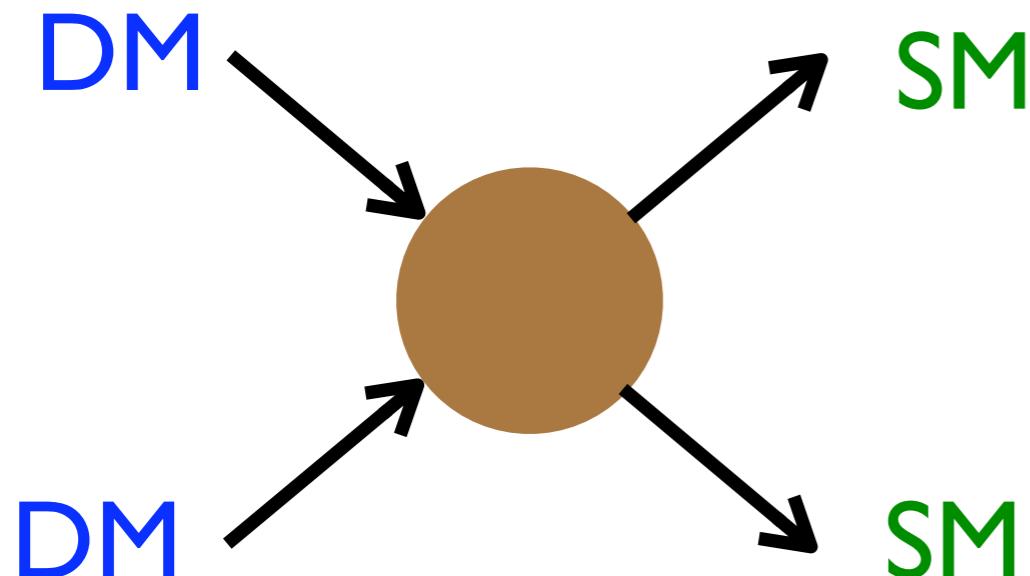


Existence  
well-established !

Dark Matter interacts with us through *gravity*

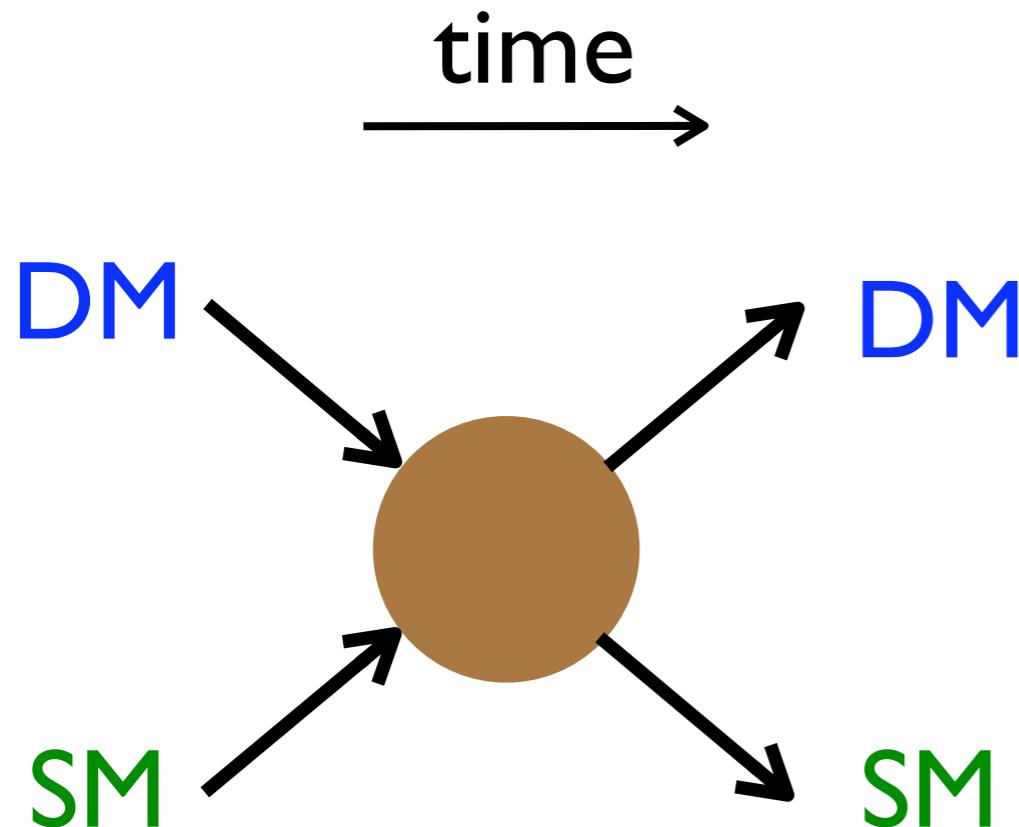
But does it have *other interactions* with us ?

# Dark Matter interactions with ordinary matter?



Indirect detection:  
Cosmic-rays, photons, ...

PAMELA, Fermi, HESS,  
ATIC, ACTs, WMAP

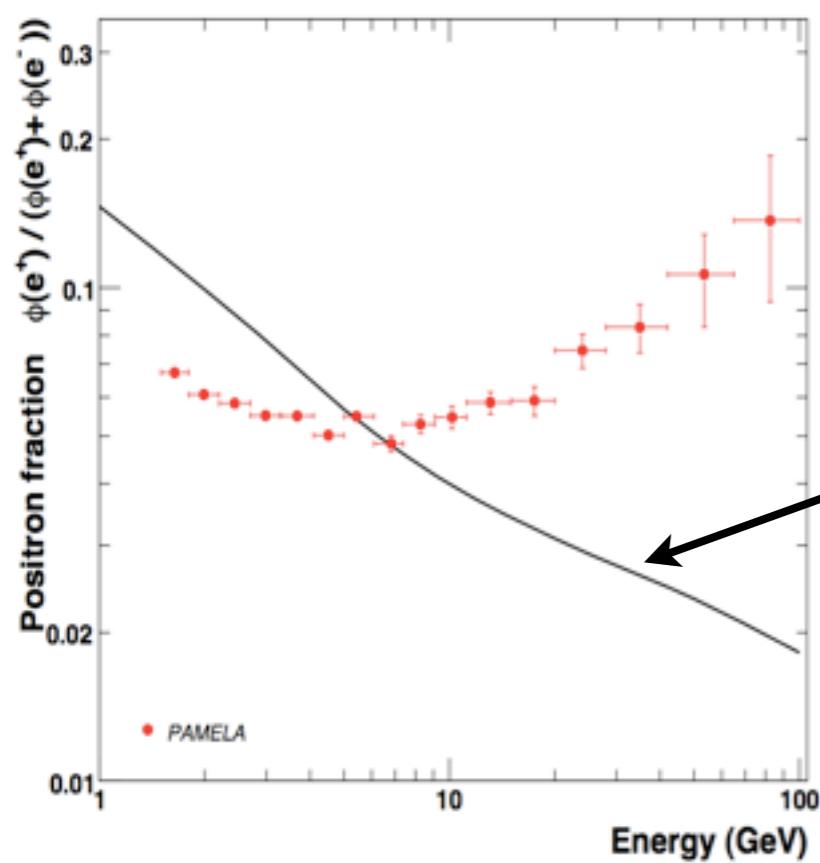


Direct detection

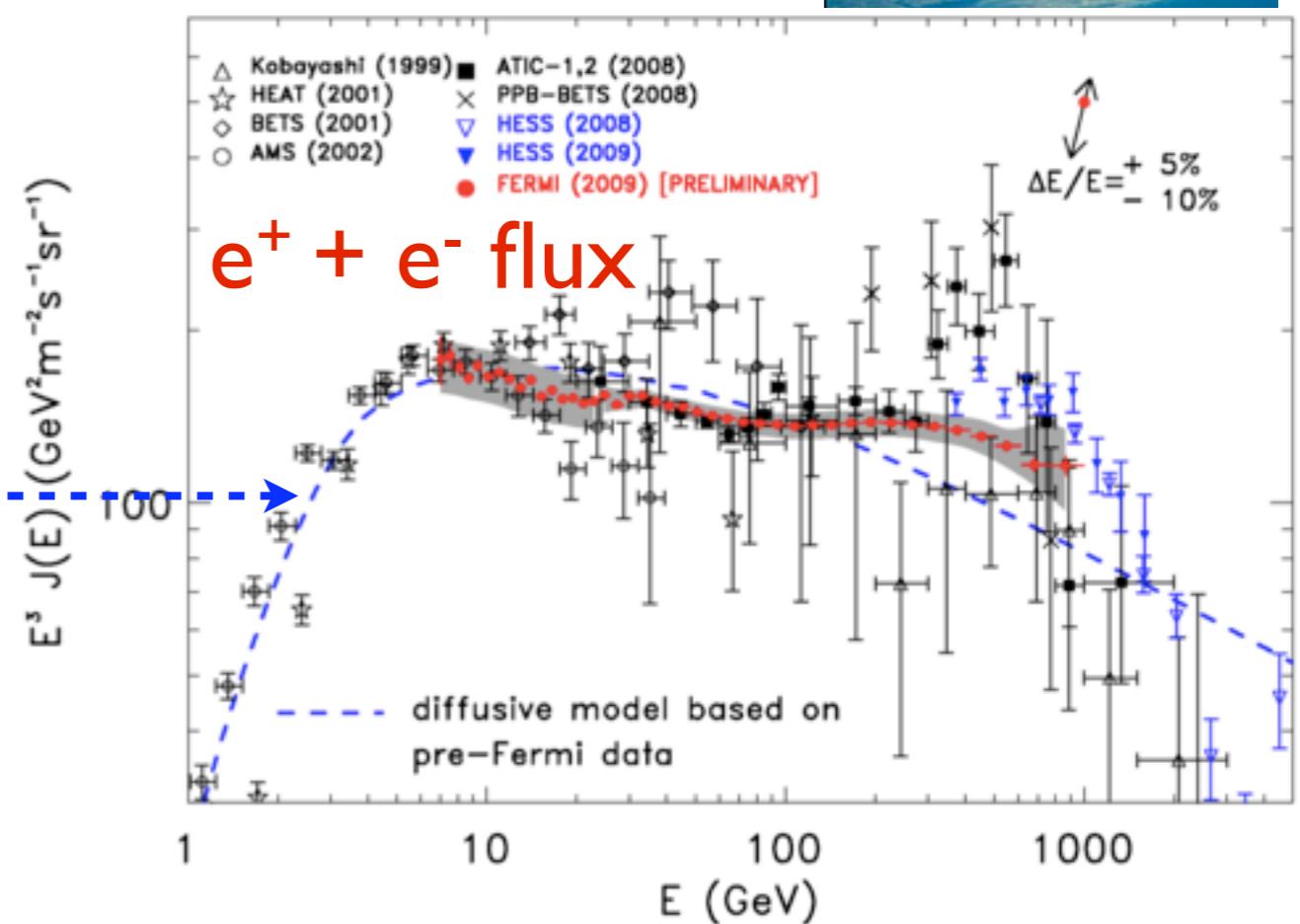
CDMS, DAMA/LIBRA, XENON,  
CRESST, LUX, COUPP, KIMS, ....

# Abundance of data suggests non-gravitational interactions

PAMELA satellite



Fermi satellite



Excesses at high energies  $\sim 100\text{--}1000 \text{ GeV}$

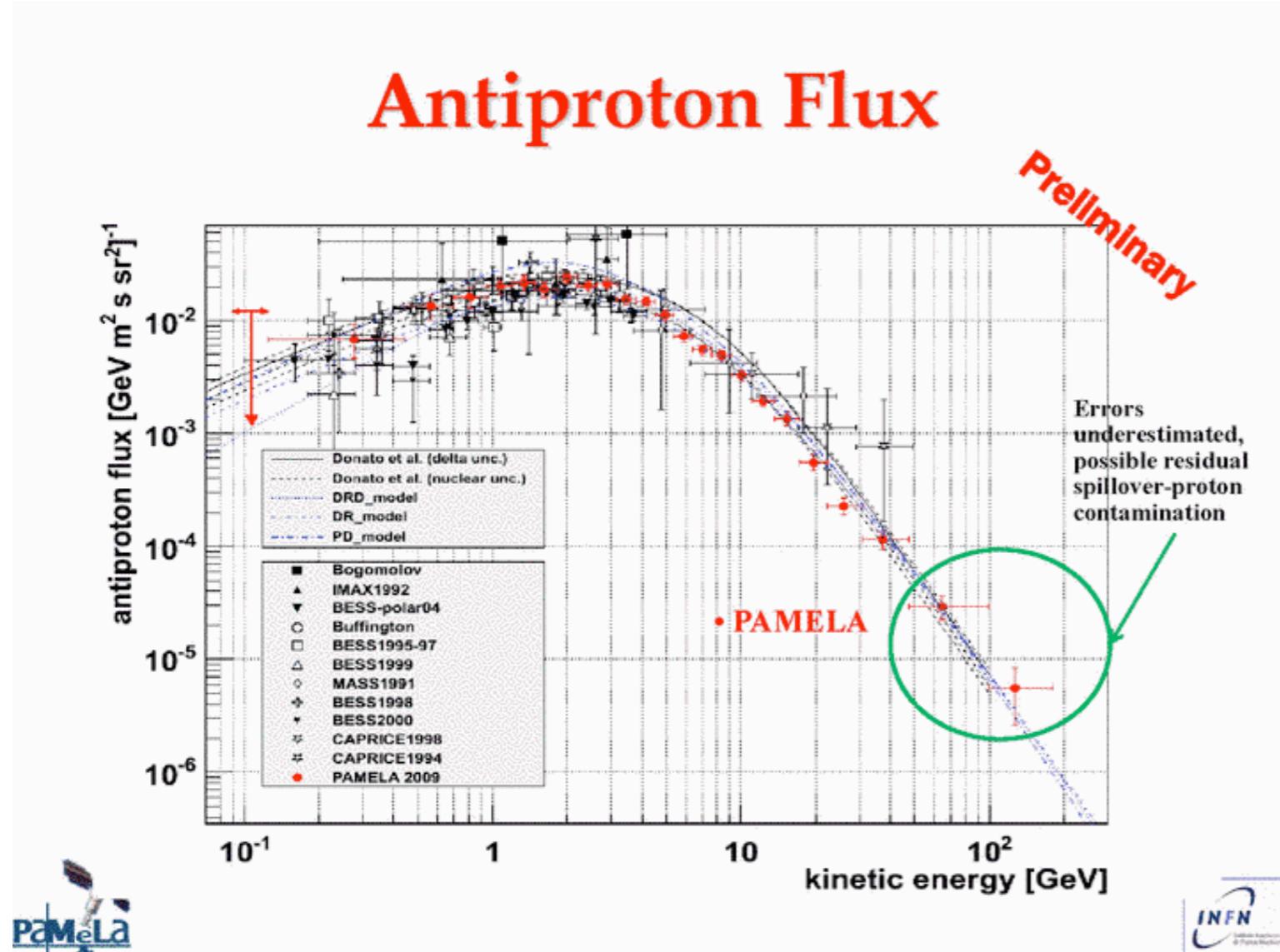
Very suggestive of DM annihilation

DM must couple to ordinary matter, but how?

# No antiproton excess

PAMELA satellite

## Antiproton Flux



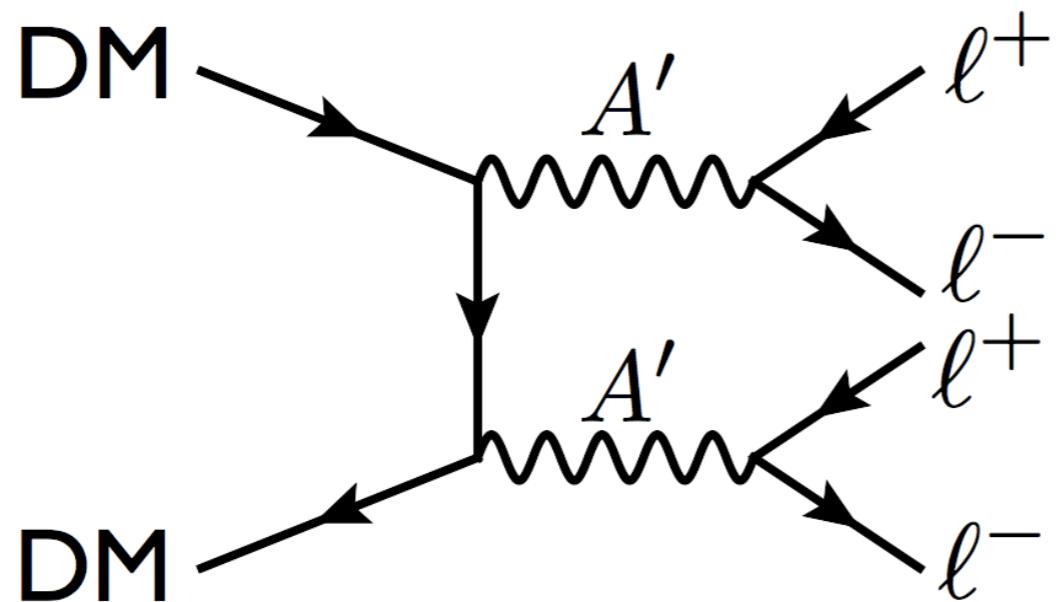
Lack of excess  
forbids DM  
annihilation to  
hadrons

Slide from M. Boezio KITP DM workshop

# Anomalies imply DM annihilation into leptons

A new force carrier  $A'$  with  $m_{A'} \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$   
mediating the annihilation naturally gives only  
leptons from simple kinematics

[Arkani-Hamed, Finkbeiner, Slatyer,  
Weiner; Pospelov & Ritz ]

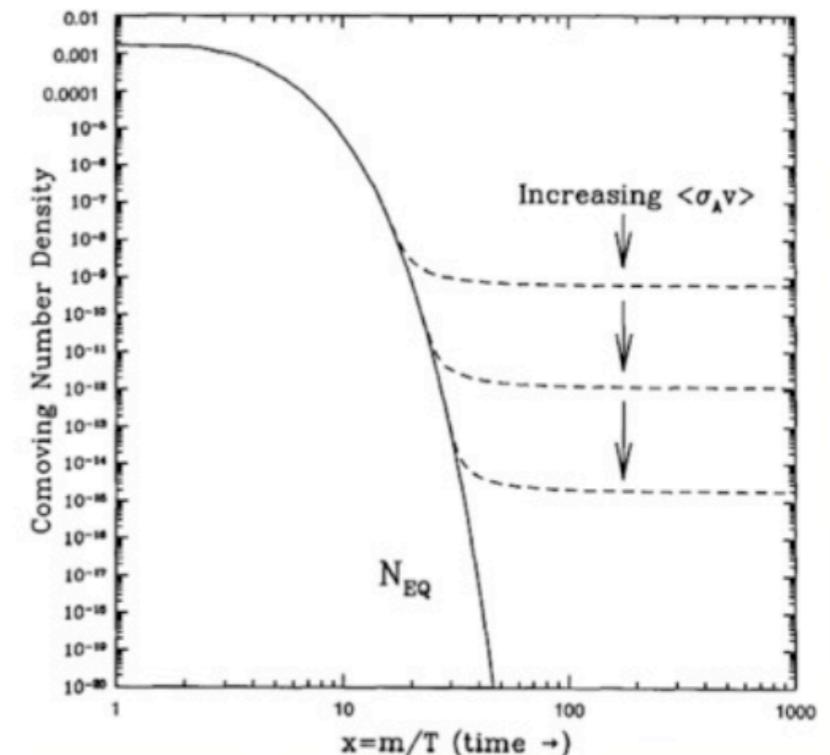


produces leptons,  
no anti-protons!

# Need large boost factors to fit anomalies

DM relic abundance is determined in early Universe:

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} \propto \frac{1}{\langle \sigma v \rangle}$$



If  $\langle \sigma v \rangle$  is too large, then  $\Omega_{\text{DM}}$  is too small

To fit cosmic-ray  $e^+$  &  $e^-$  excess requires:

$\langle \sigma v \rangle \sim 100\text{-}1000$  times too large

to obtain correct  $\Omega_{\text{DM}}$

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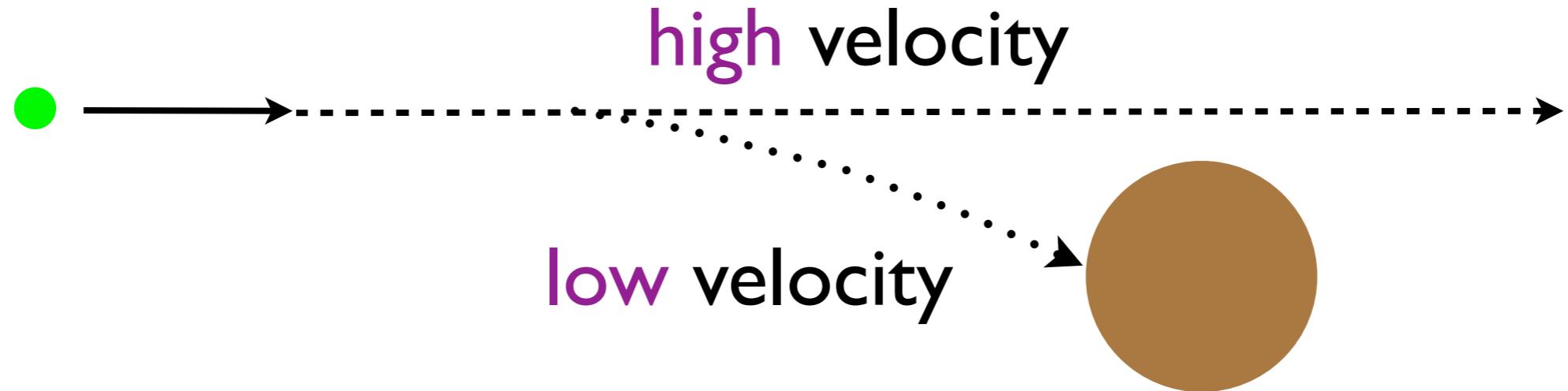
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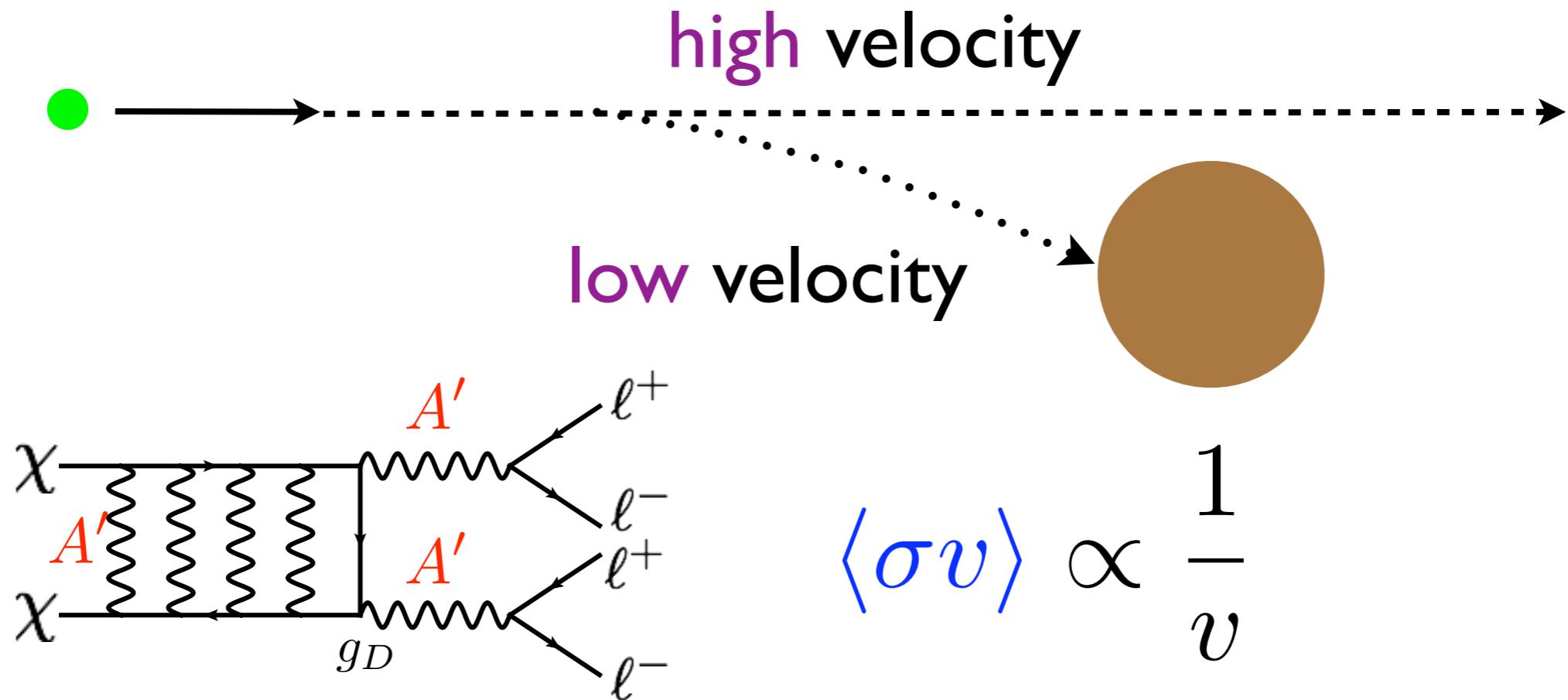
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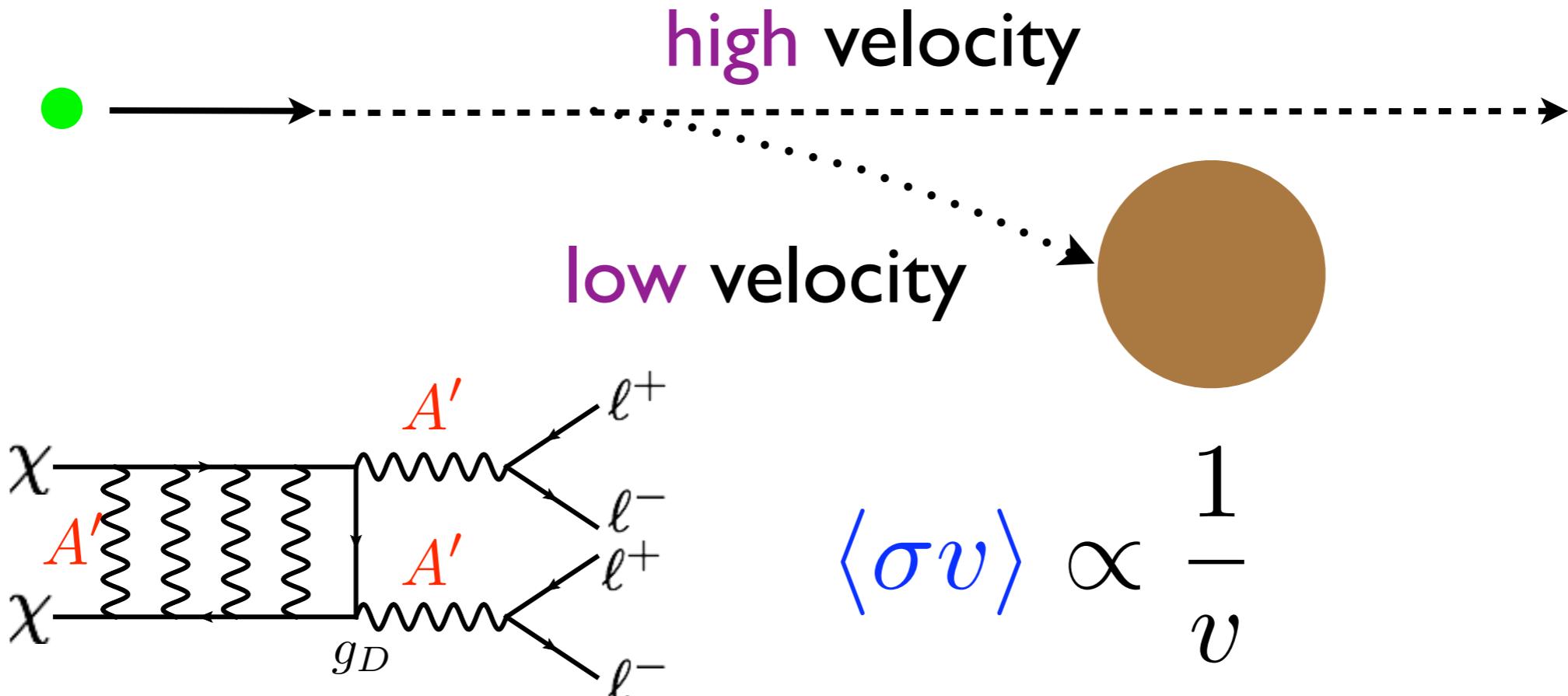
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Today in halo:  $v$  small, so  $\langle \sigma v \rangle$  is large

In Early Universe:  $v$  large, so  $\langle \sigma v \rangle$  is small

can obtain correct relic abundance & explain anomalies

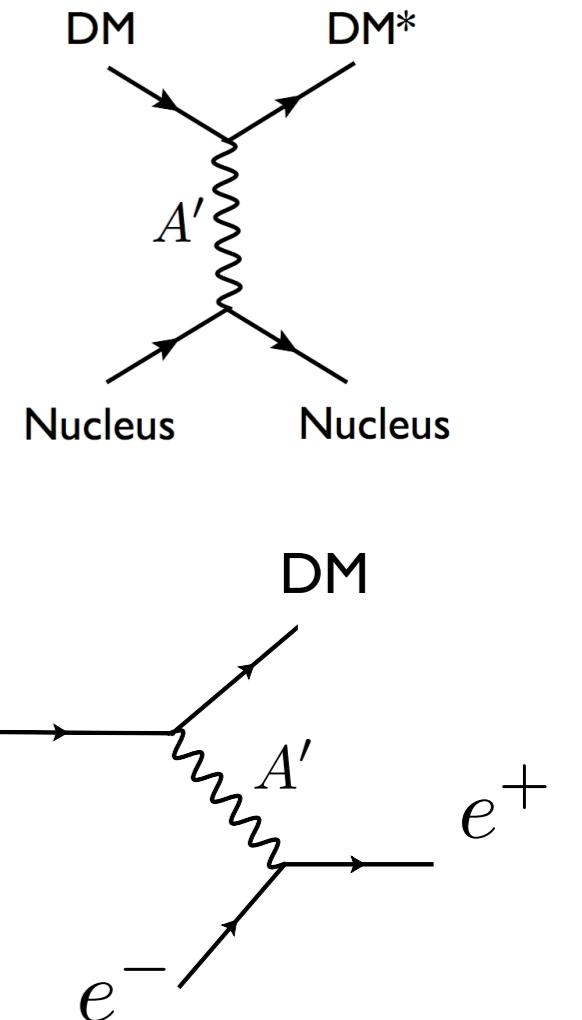
# Further hints for new forces

Many other Dark Matter anomalies:

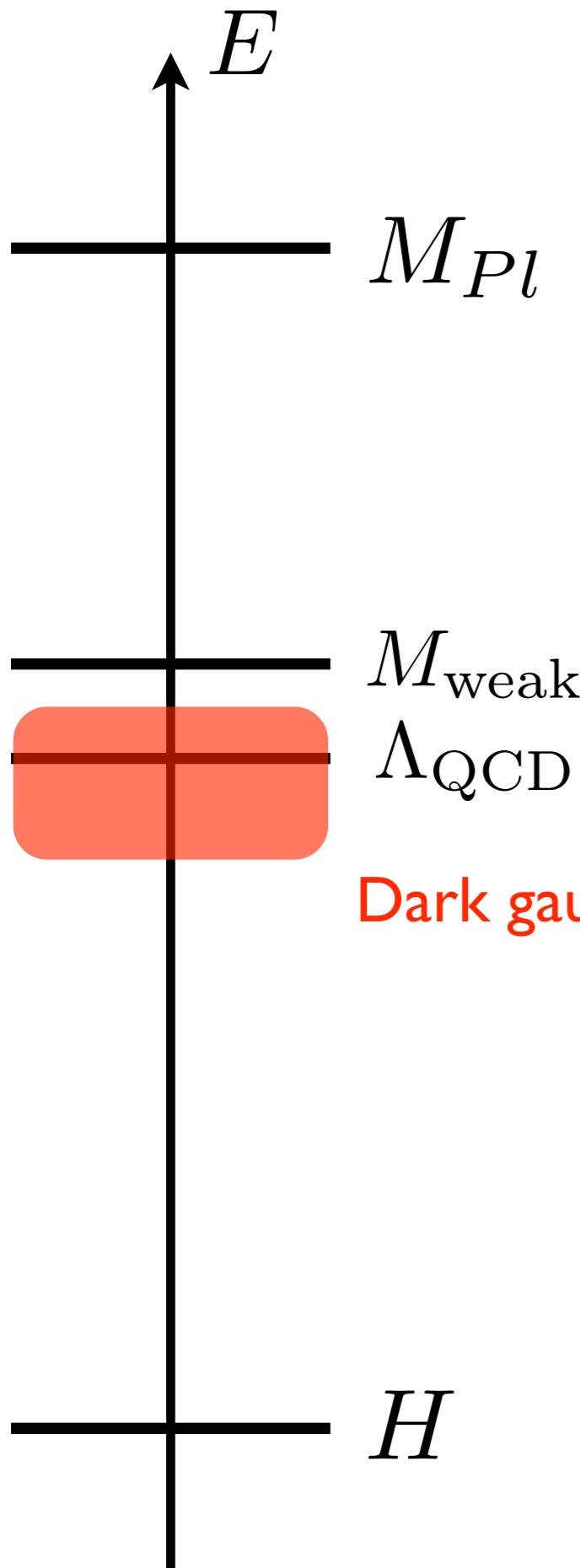
- **WMAP+Fermi “Haze”**  
[Finkbeiner, Dobler et.al.]
- **DAMA/LIBRA annual modulation**  
[Bernabei et.al., Tucker-Smith & Weiner]
- **INTEGRAL 511 keV line**  
[Finkbeiner & Weiner]

Other hints:

- **anomalous muon  $g-2$**  [Pospelov]



**Irrespective of anomalies:** new GeV–scale  
force carriers are important category of new physics



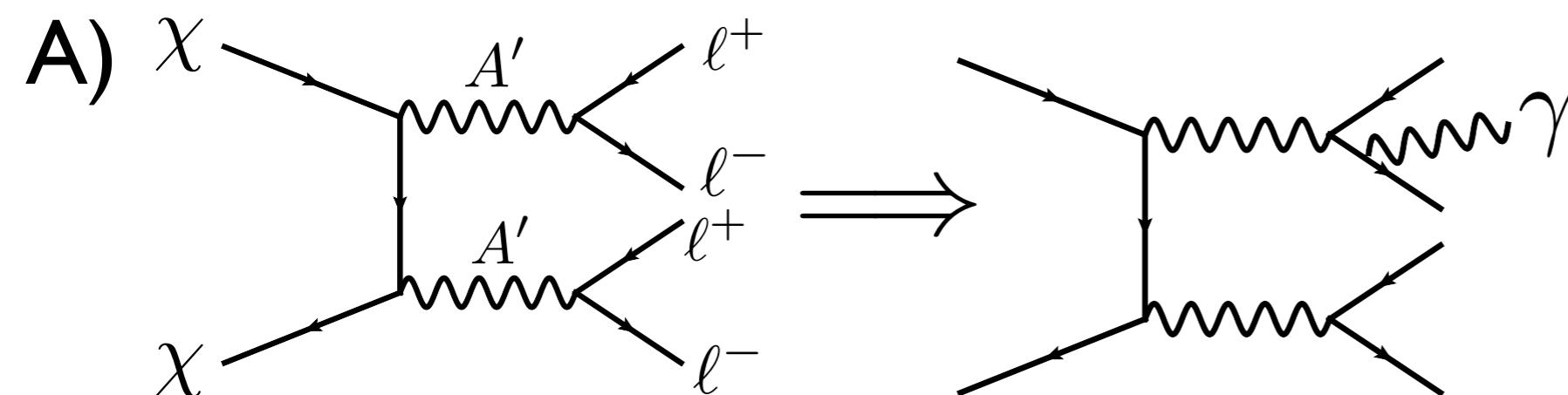
Remainder of Talk:

How can we probe for  
such New Forces?

Dark gauge forces?

Will discuss three ways

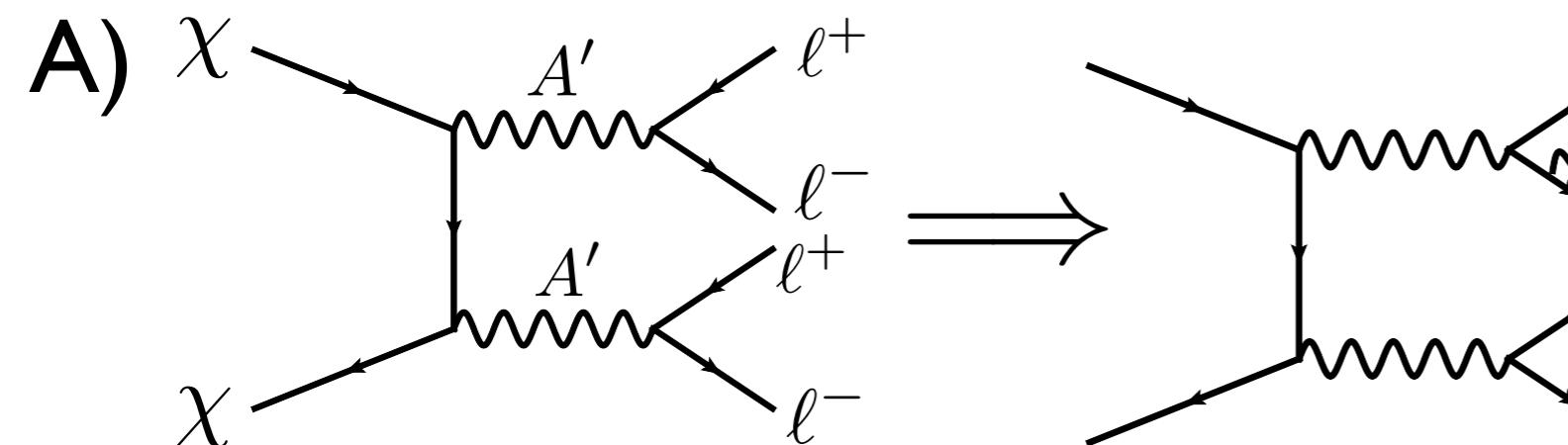
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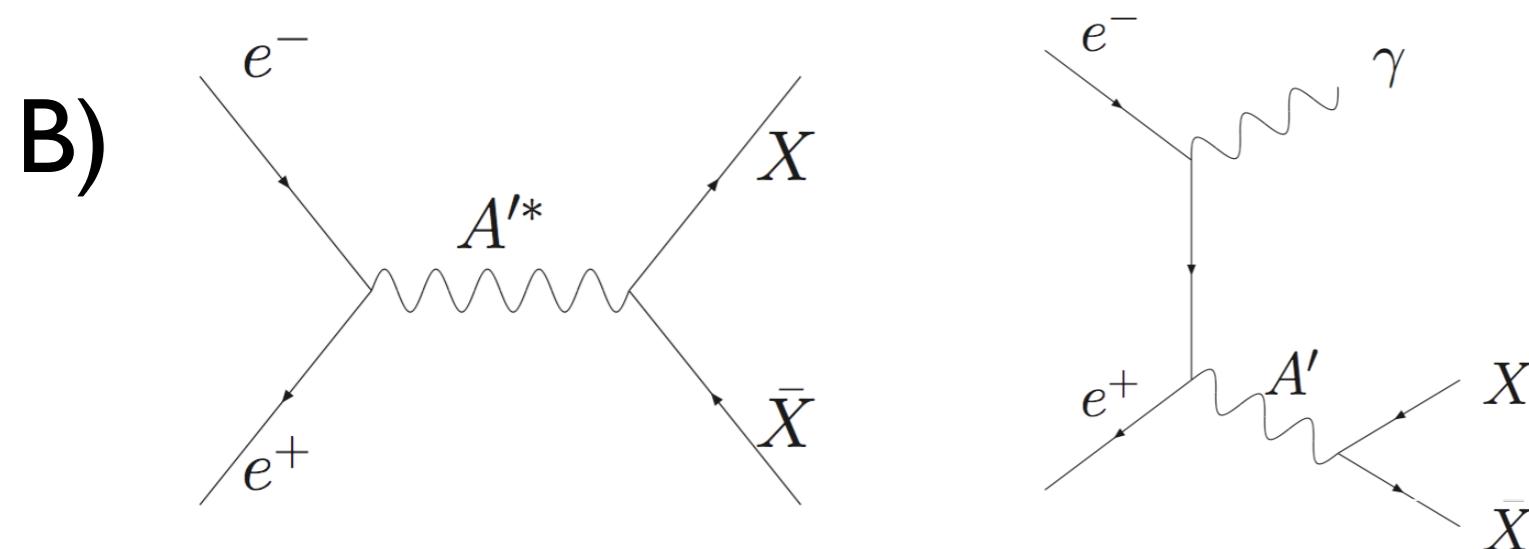
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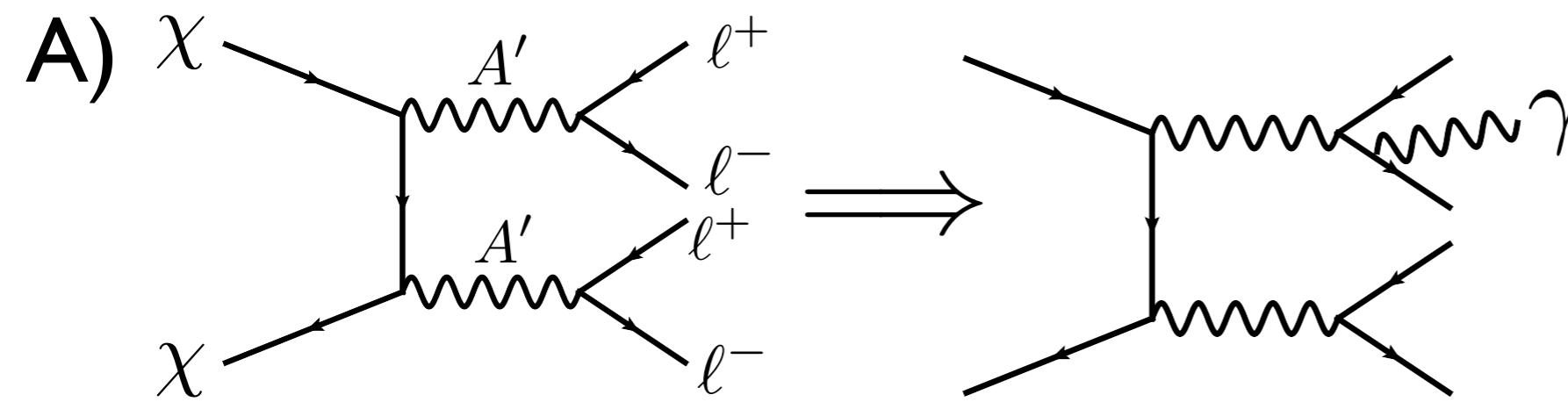
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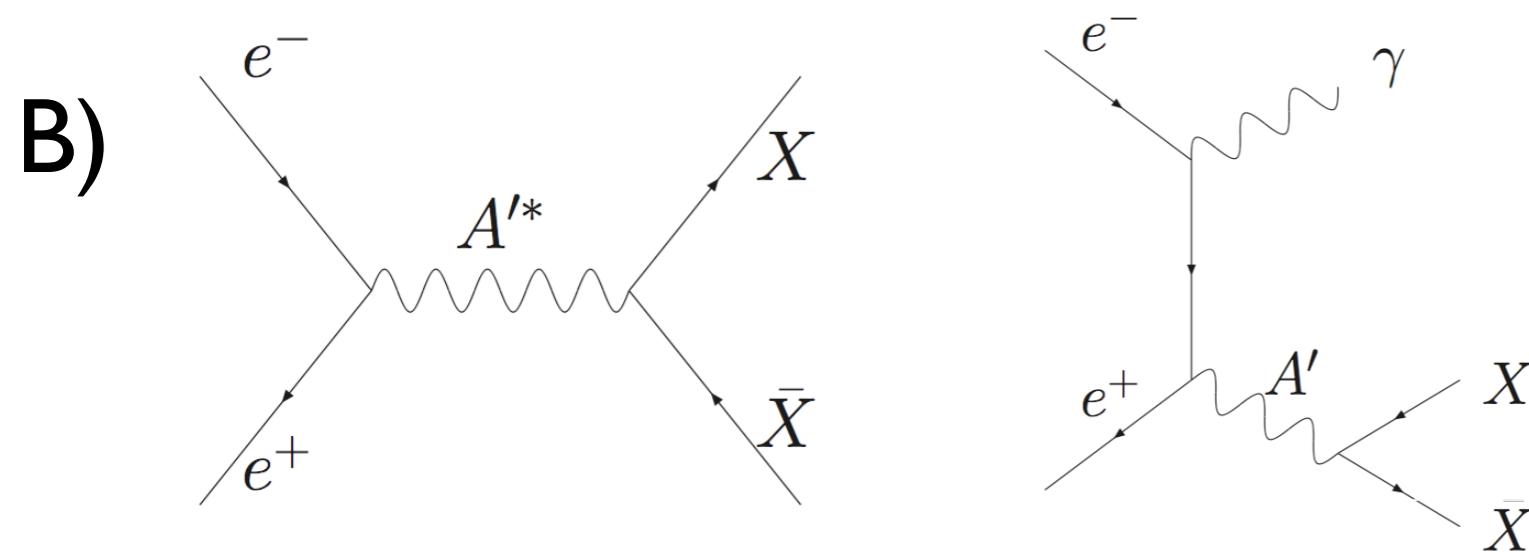
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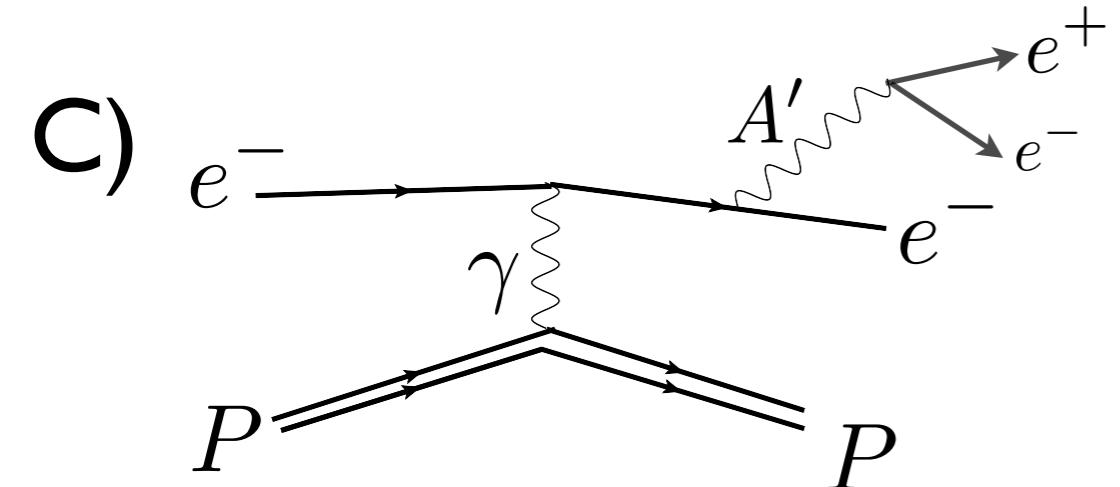
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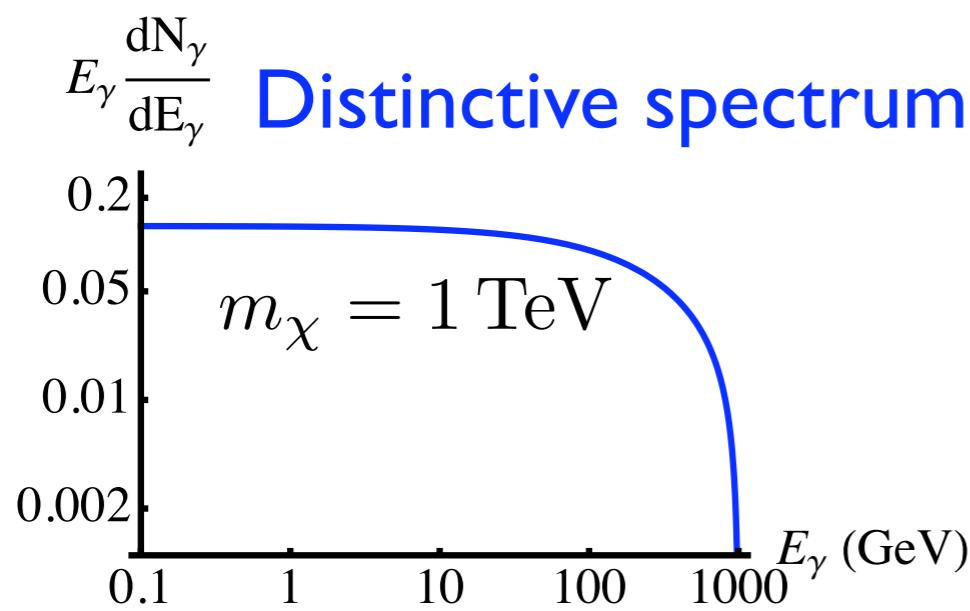
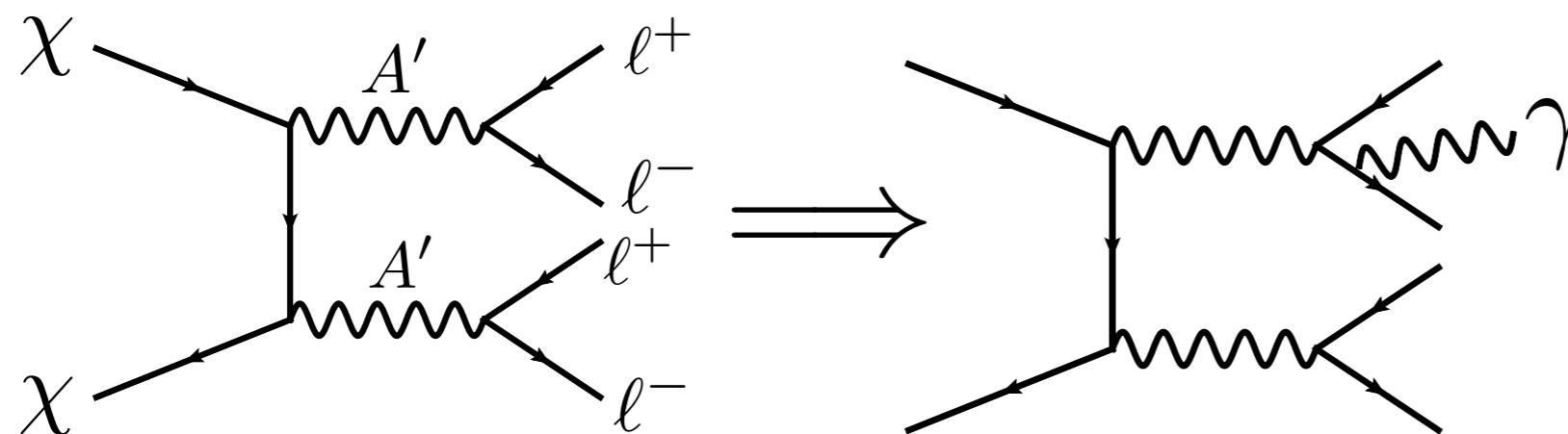
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# Indirect probe: $\gamma$ -rays from Dwarfs

[RE, Sehgal, Strigari]  
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$\gamma$ -rays  
guaranteed!

[Beacom et.al.; Birkedal,  
Matchev, Perelstein, Spray;  
Bringmann et.al.]



Observe with:

- Fermi LAT
- Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes (MAGIC, VERITAS, HESS)

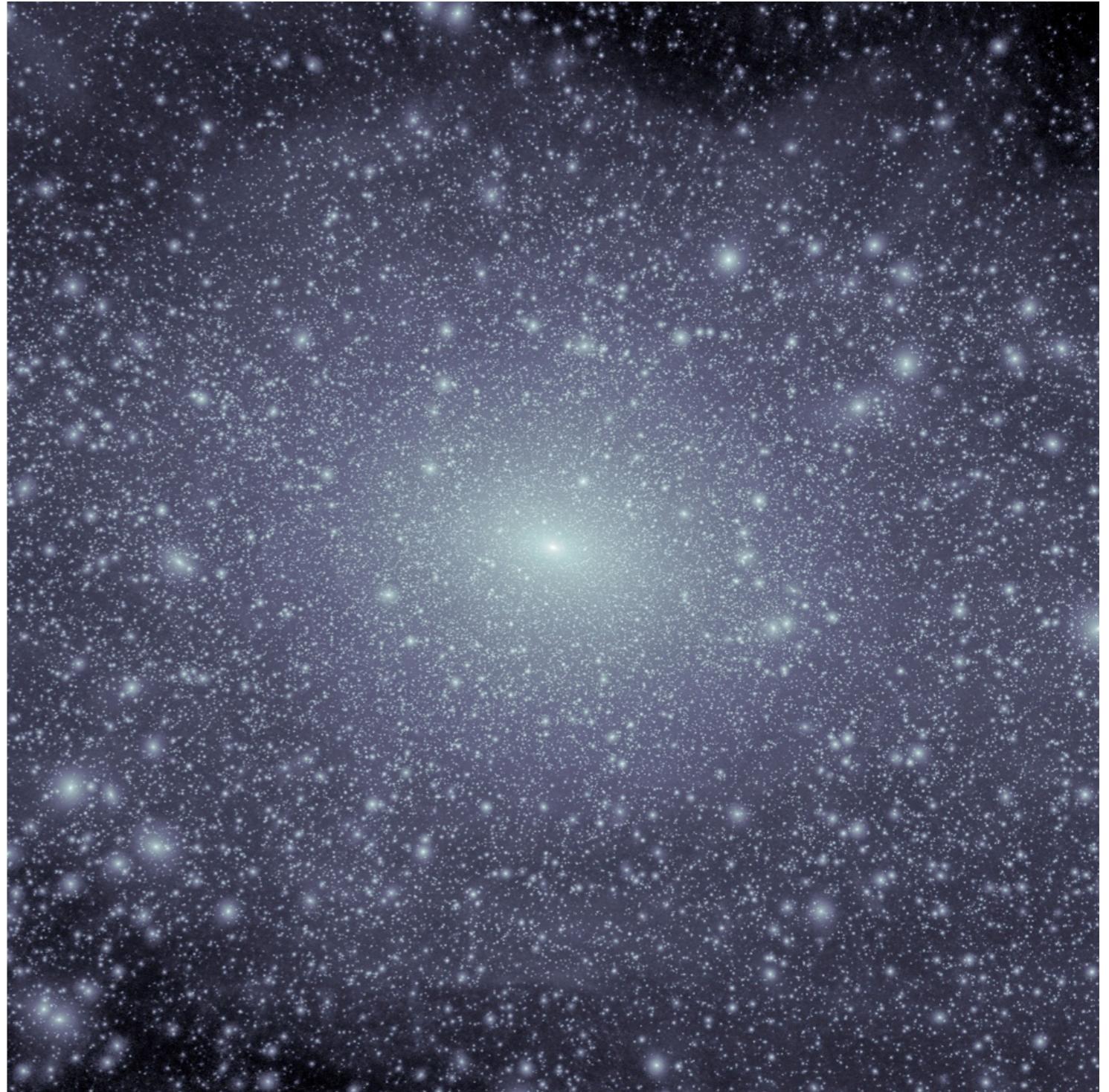
$\nu'$ s also possible (IceCube)

Why dwarfs?

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[Diemand et.al.]

Via Lactea II  
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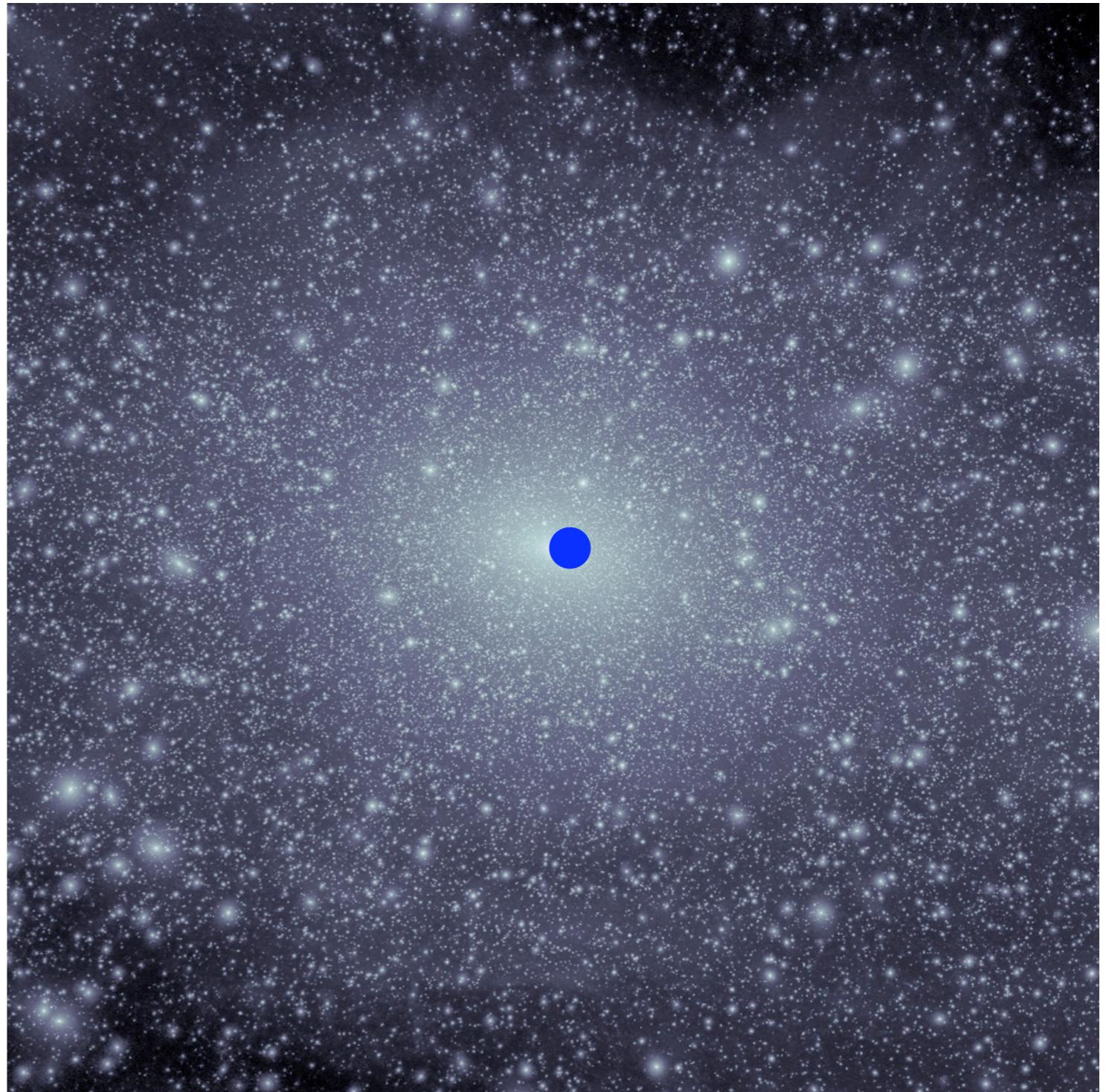


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some subhalos will  
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# Dwarf galaxies: Excellent Targets

## Sizeable Signal

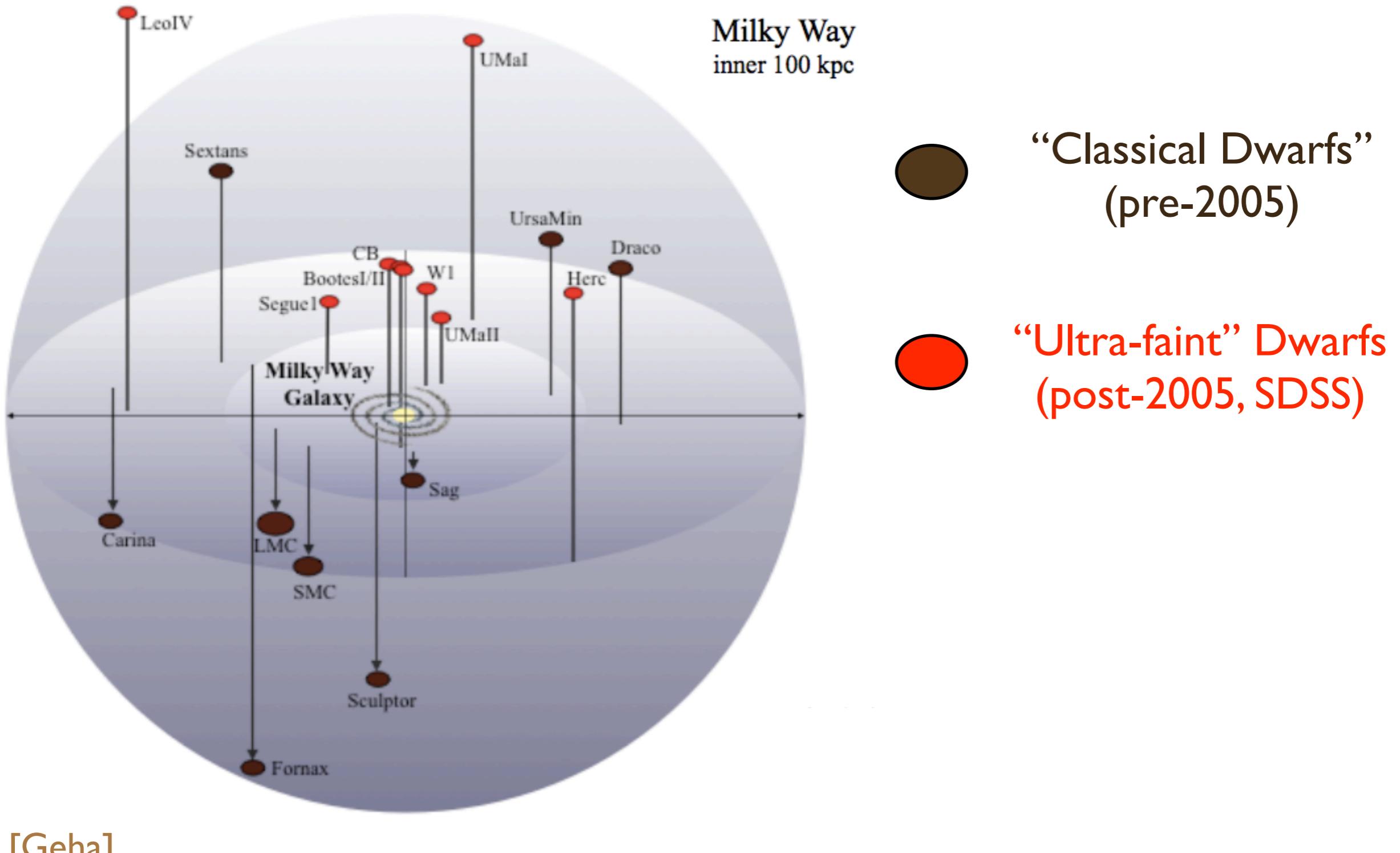
- Nearby, DM dominated
- use stellar kinematics to determine expected flux
- low velocity dispersion:  $v_{\text{dwarf}} \sim v_{\text{halo}}/20$   
(Sommerfeld enhanced DM annihilation?)

## Low Background

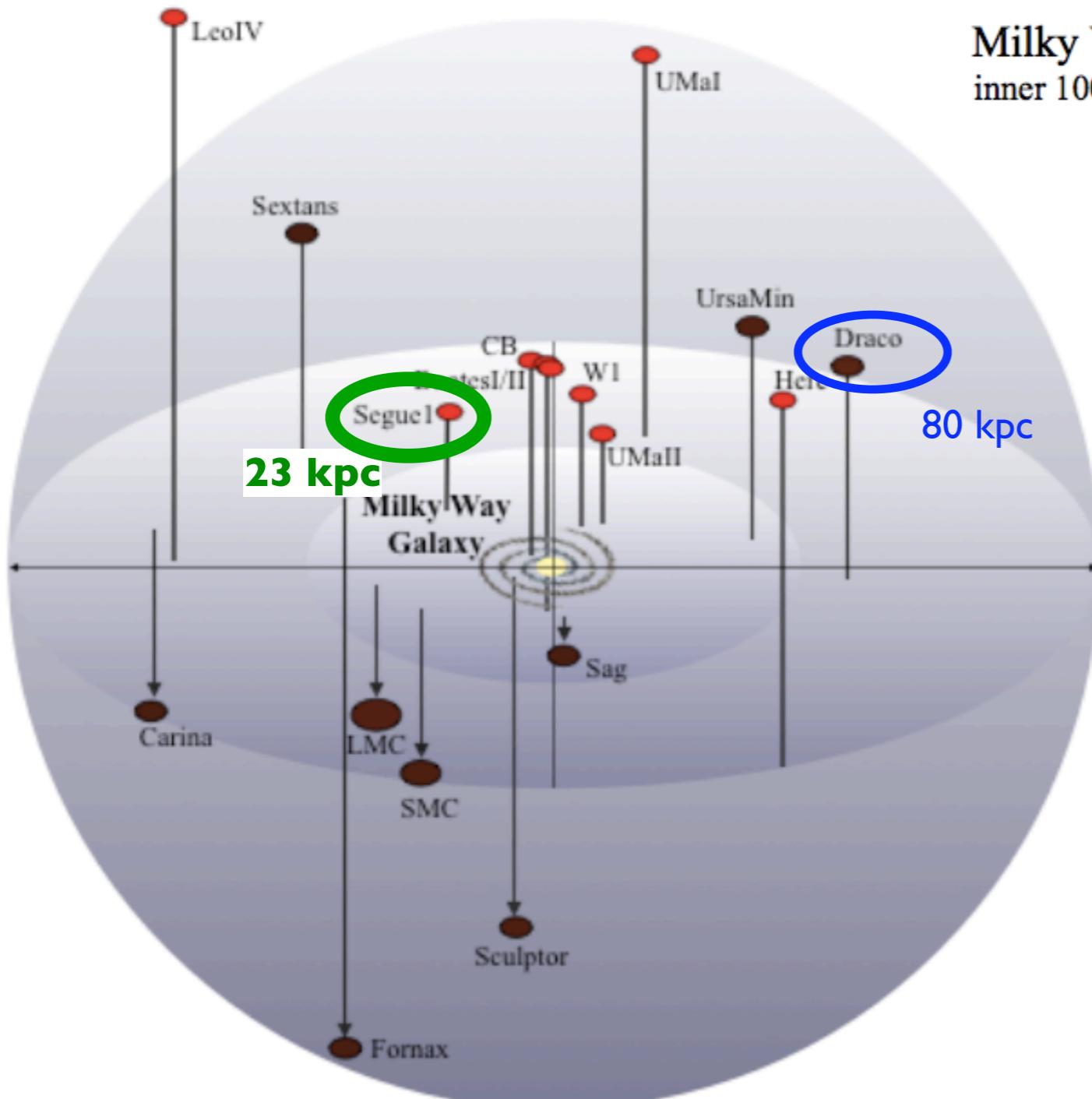
- high galactic latitude
- no intrinsic gamma-ray sources

Any signal would be *very suggestive* of dark matter

# Known Nearby Dwarf Galaxies



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[Geha]

- “Classical Dwarfs”  
(pre-2005)
- “Ultra-faint” Dwarfs  
(post-2005, SDSS)

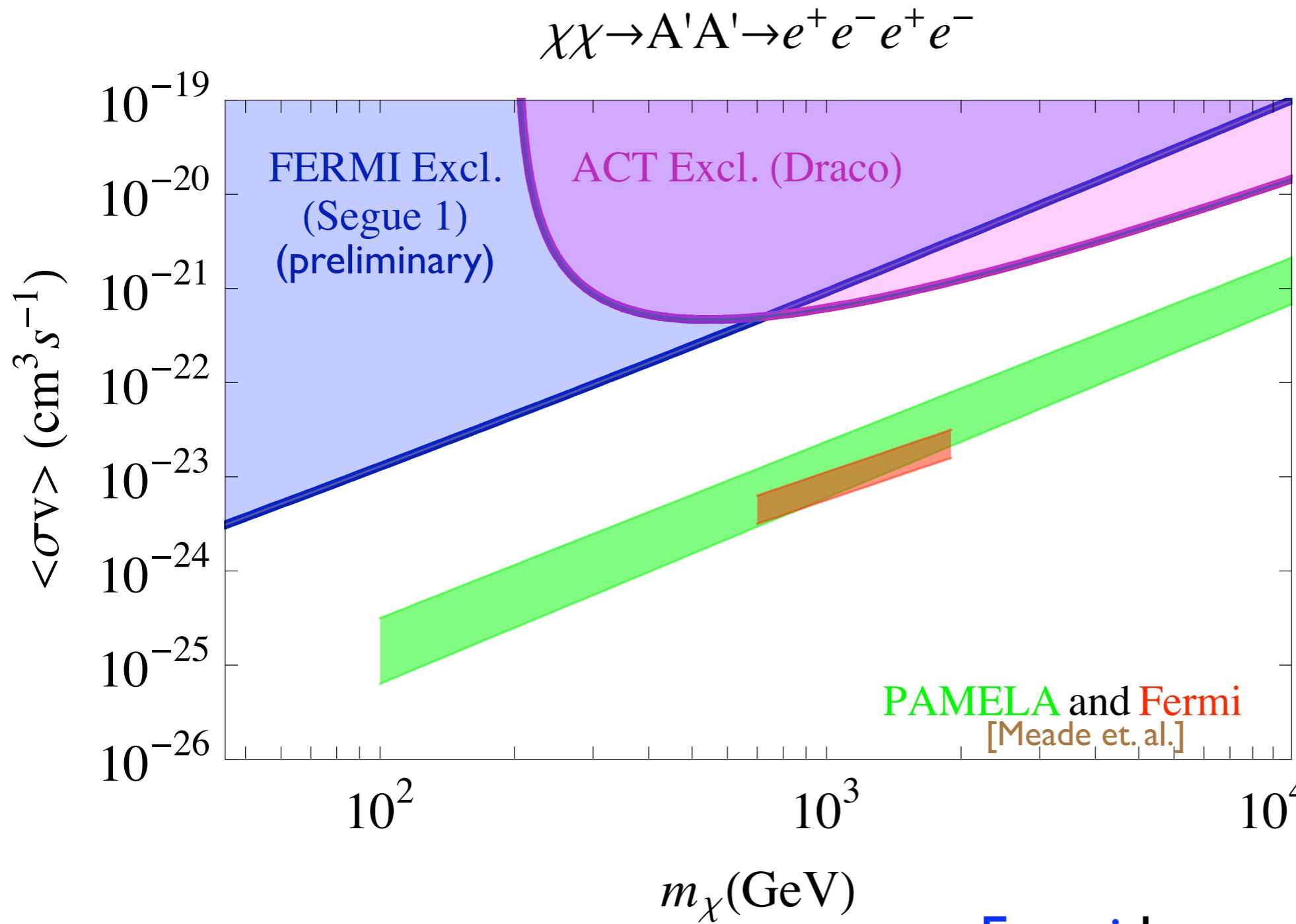
Focus on **Draco** and **Segue 1**

Segue 1: best dwarf target?  
Least luminous galaxy known  
(M/L~1000) [Geha et.al.]

MAGIC & VERITAS are  
analyzing data!

# Current Fermi & ACT limits

[RE, Sehgal, Strigari, Geha, Simon]



**Fermi data:**  
9 months of data

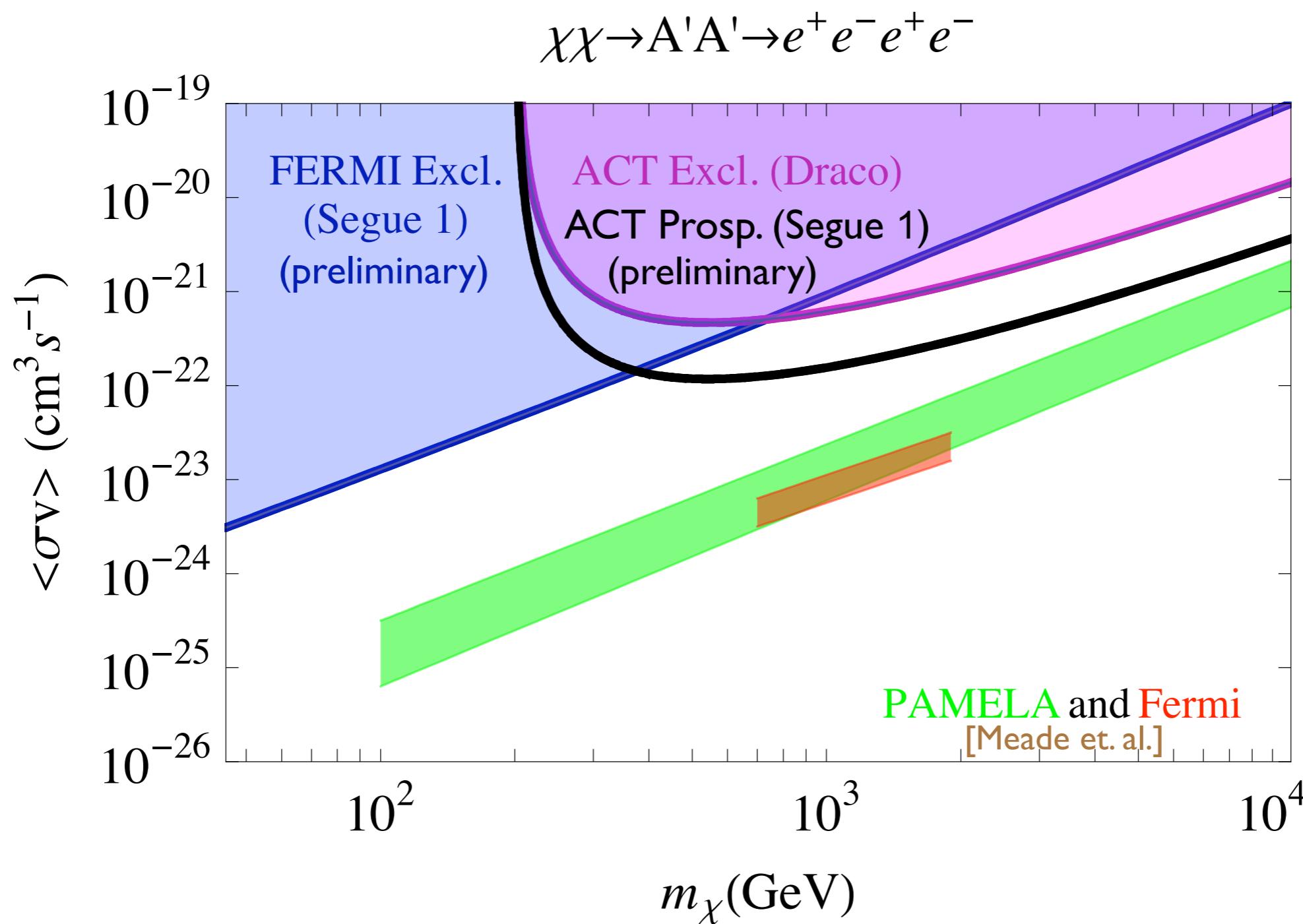
[Farnier, RICAP'09]  
[Wang, CINC'09]

**ACT data:**  
VERITAS obs. of  
Draco [0810.1913]

Fermi better at lower masses,  
ACTs at higher masses

# Prospects for MAGIC & VERITAS from Segue 1

[RE, Sehgal, Strigari, Geha, Simon]



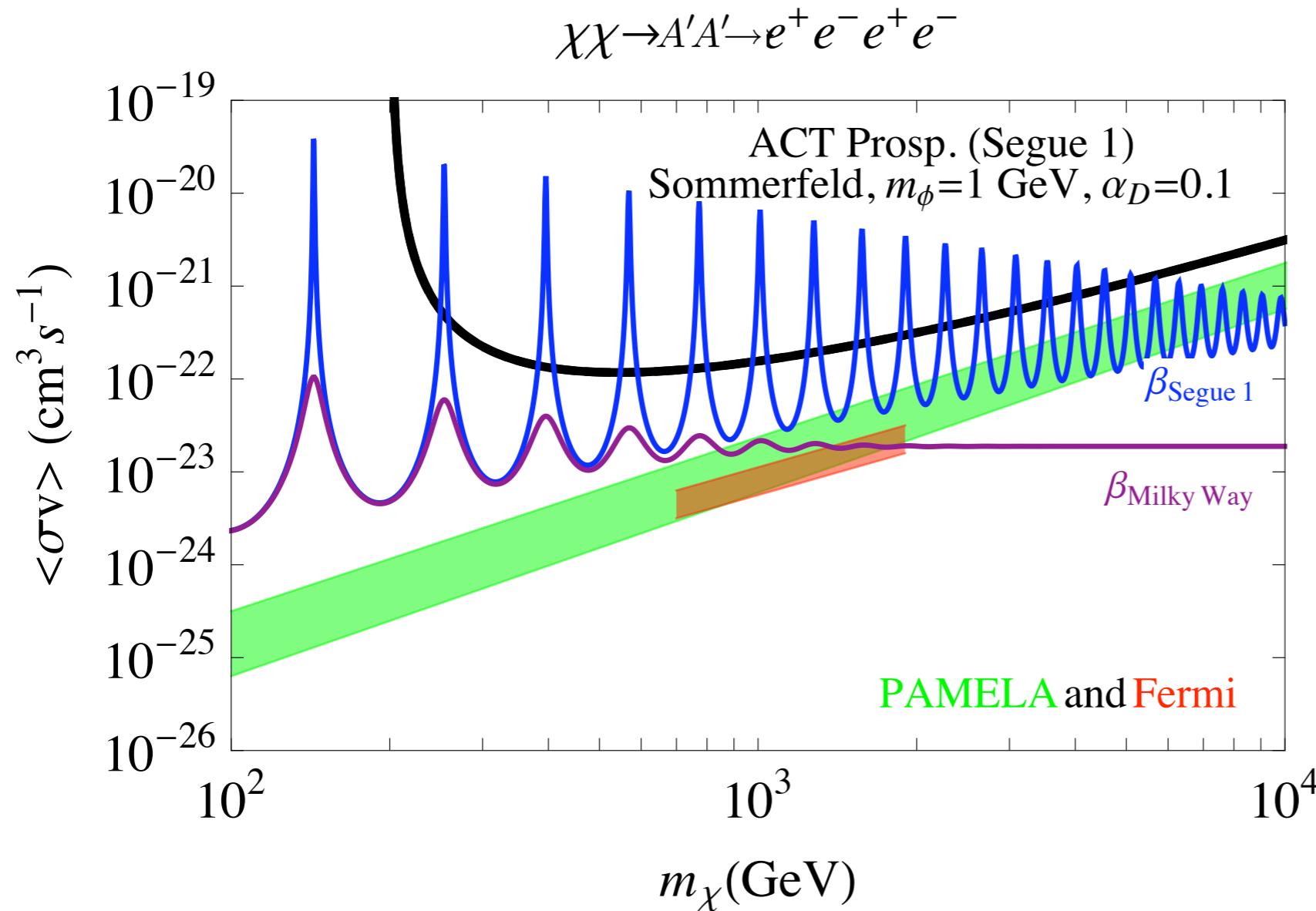
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$m_{A'} = 1 \text{ GeV}$

Will probe  
resonances

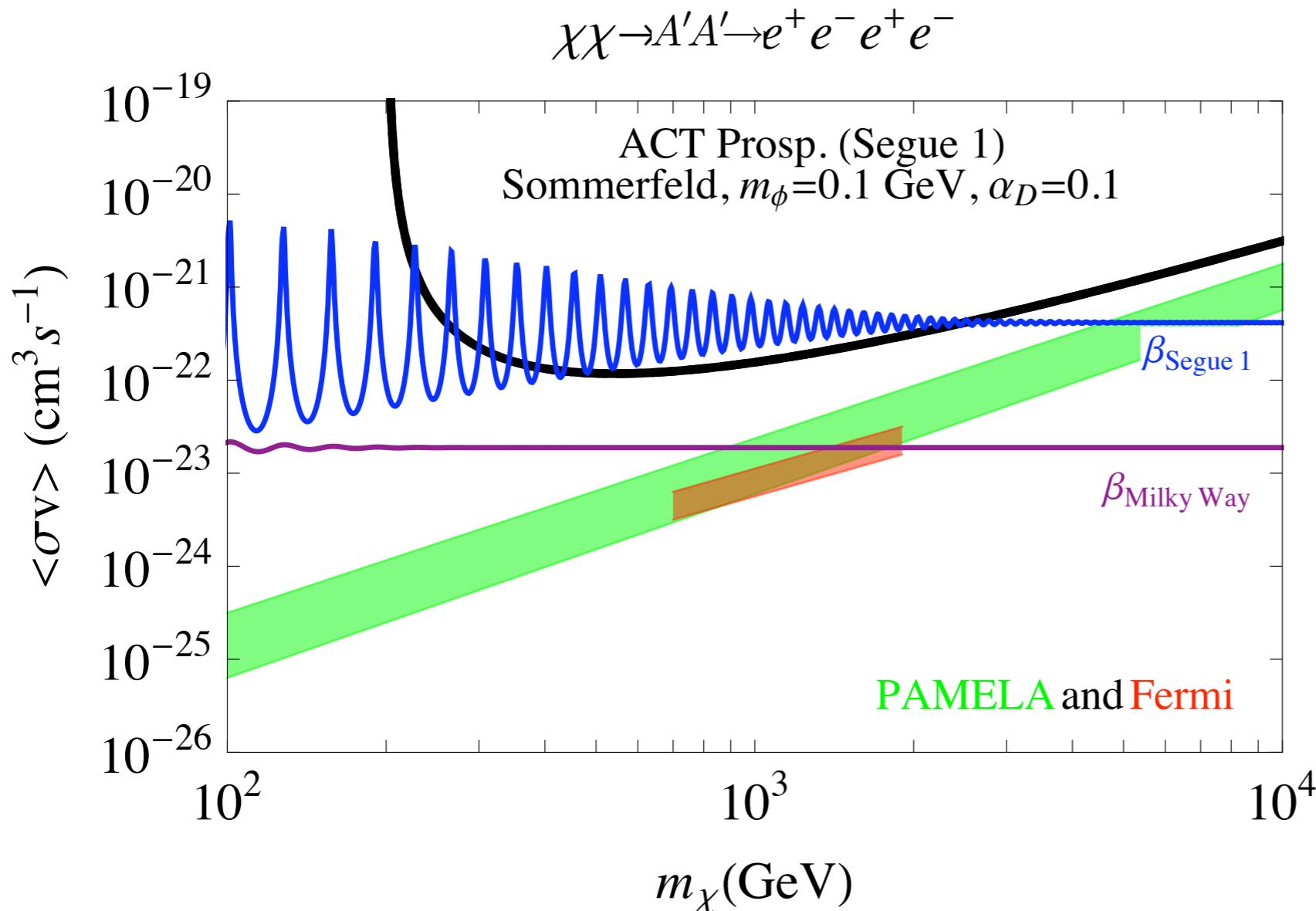
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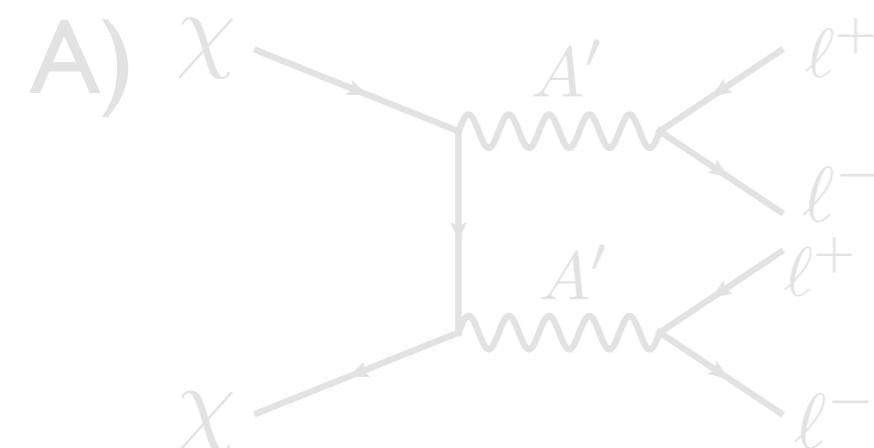


$m_{A'} = 0.1$  GeV

Intriguing  
prospects!

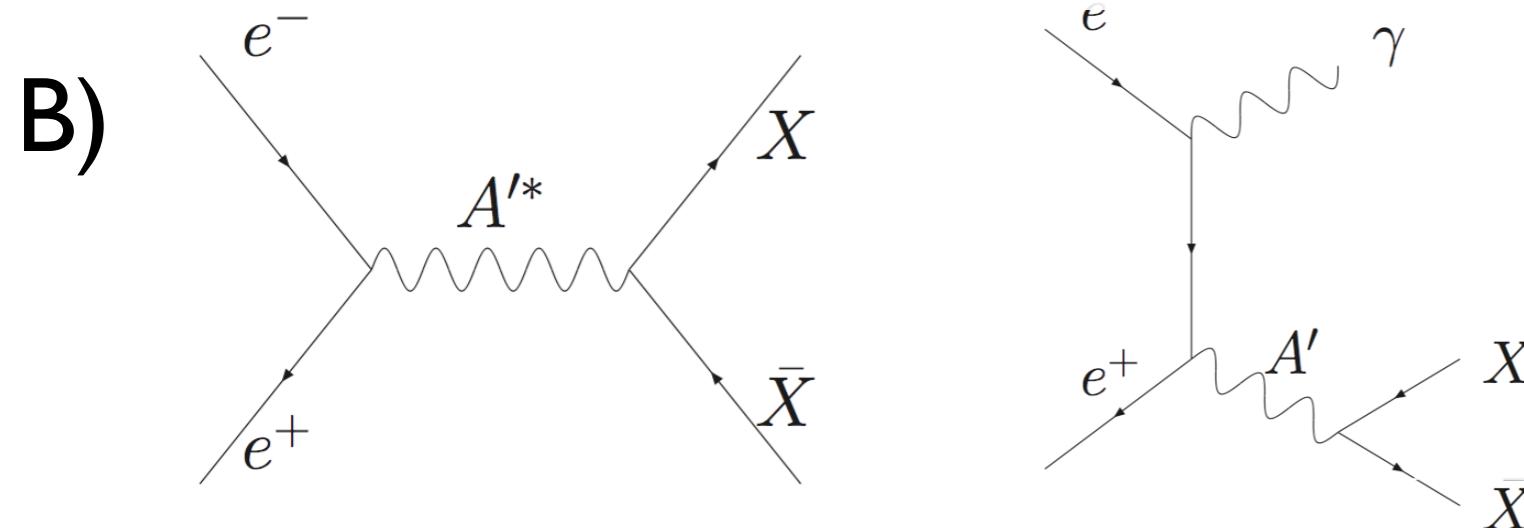
Can probe  
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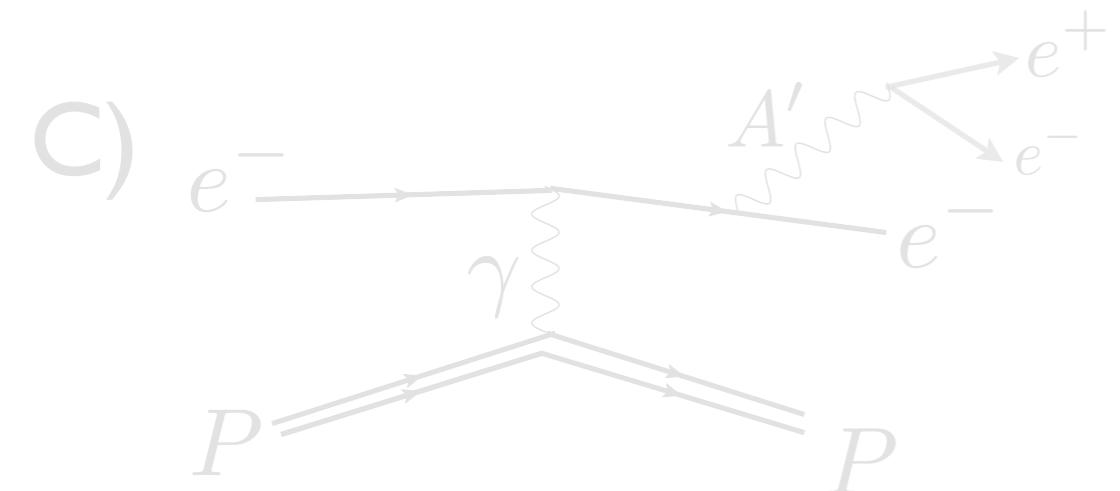
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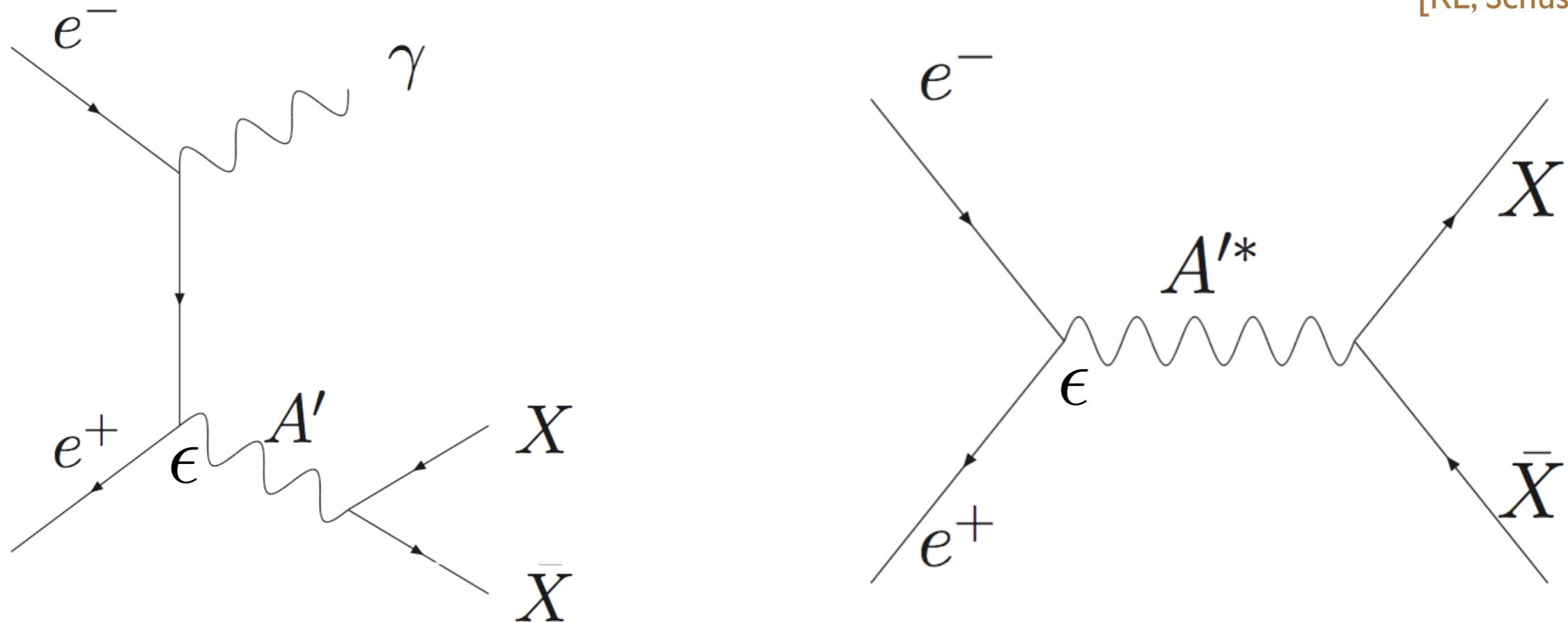
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# Probe GeV-scale directly with $e^+e^-$ Colliders

[RE, Schuster, Toro]



$X$  = Standard Model or hidden-sector particle

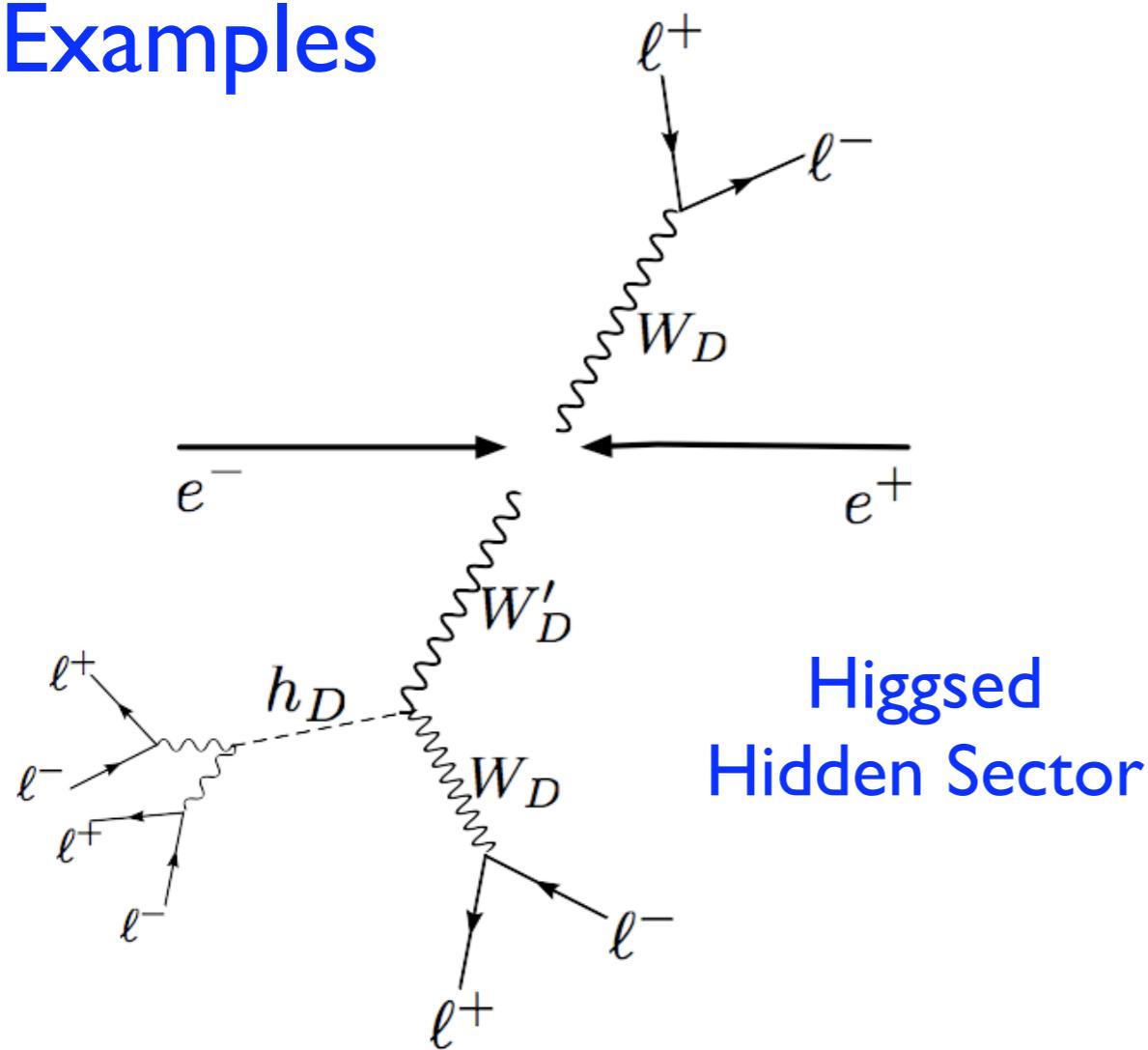
$$\sigma \propto \frac{\epsilon^2}{E_{cm}^2} \implies$$

want **low-energy,**  
**high-luminosity** collider

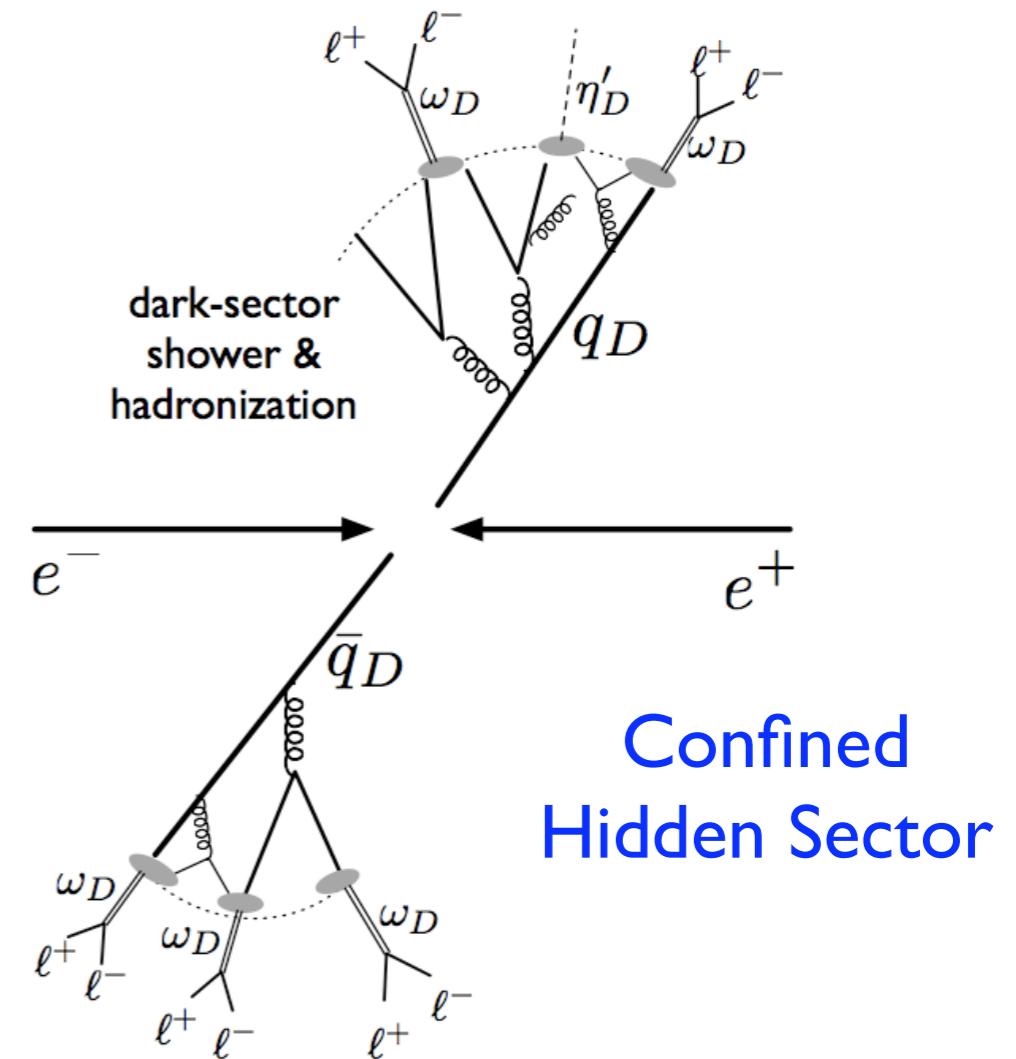
$\implies$  BaBar, BELLE, KLOE, CLEO-c, BESIII, ...

# Large # of spectacular events possibly contained in existing data sets!

## Examples



Higgsed  
Hidden Sector



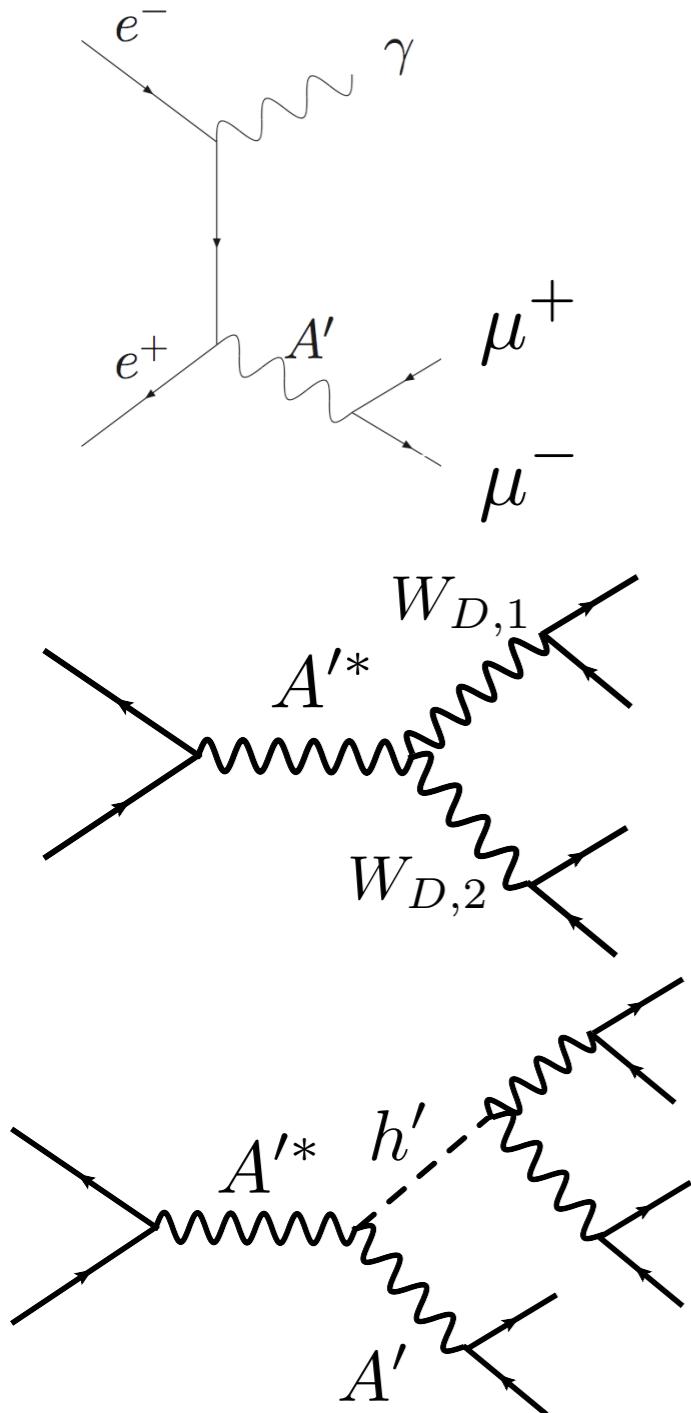
Confined  
Hidden Sector

Very rich phenomenology!

Multi-leptons, resonances, displaced vertices, missing energy...

Broad array of searches needed!

# What searches have been done?



Done

$$\gamma \mu^+ \mu^-$$

BaBar

Done

$$4e, 4\mu, 2e + 2\mu$$

BaBar

not yet  $\gamma + 4\ell$

Not yet

$$2\ell, 6\ell$$

Higgs'-strahlung

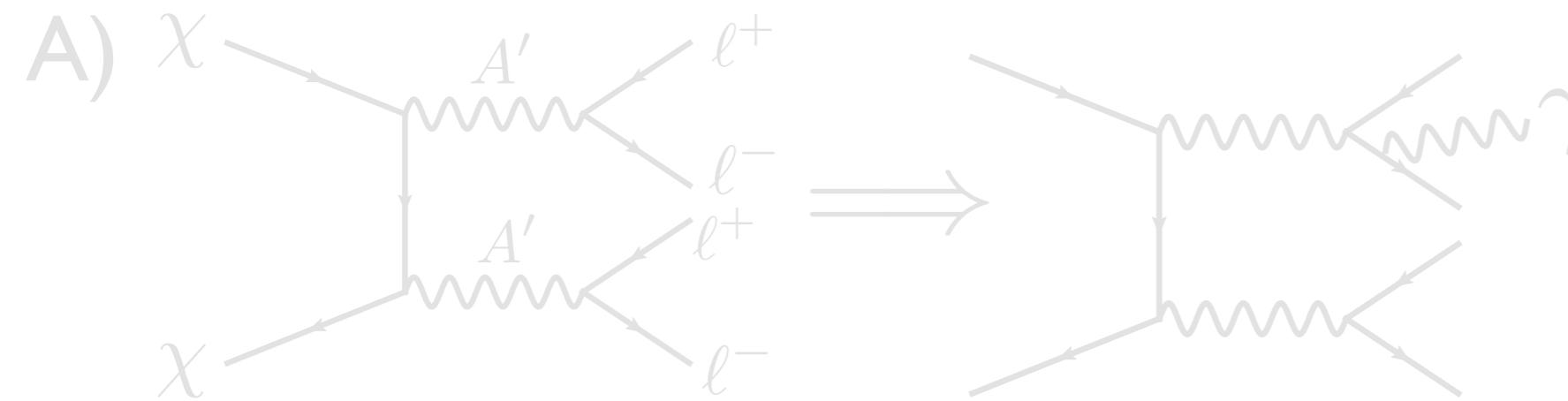
[Batell, Pospelov,Ritz]

Typical sensitivity:  $\epsilon \sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$

Rare meson decays also have good reach

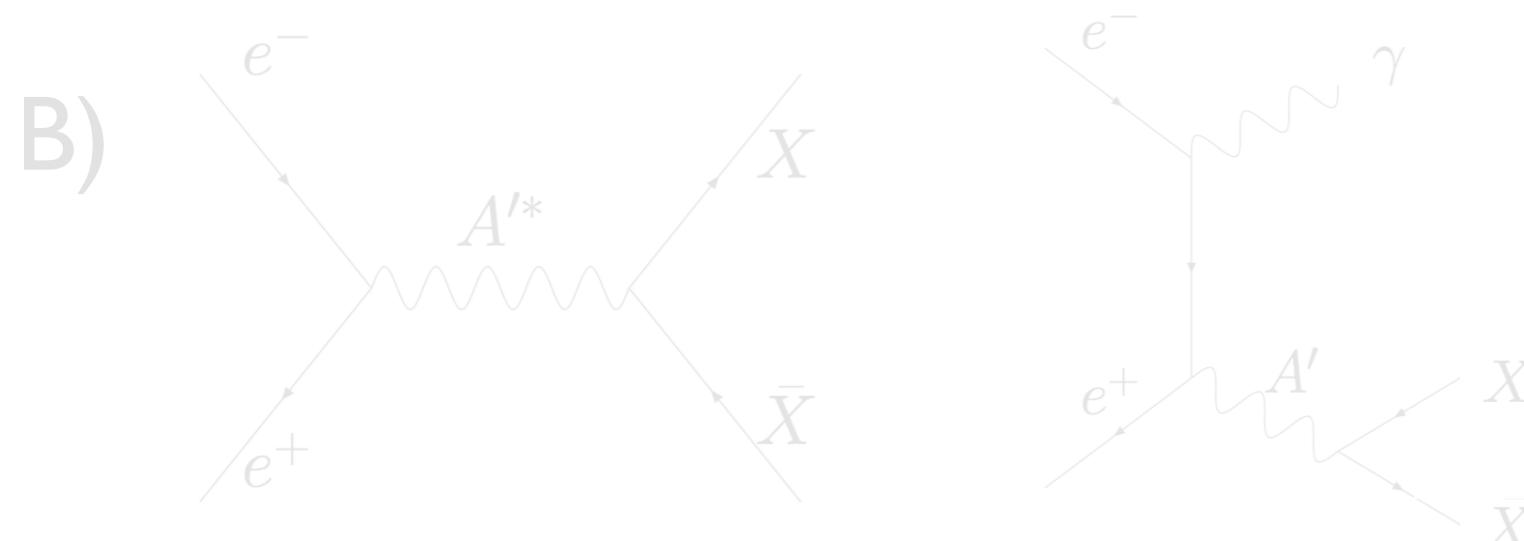
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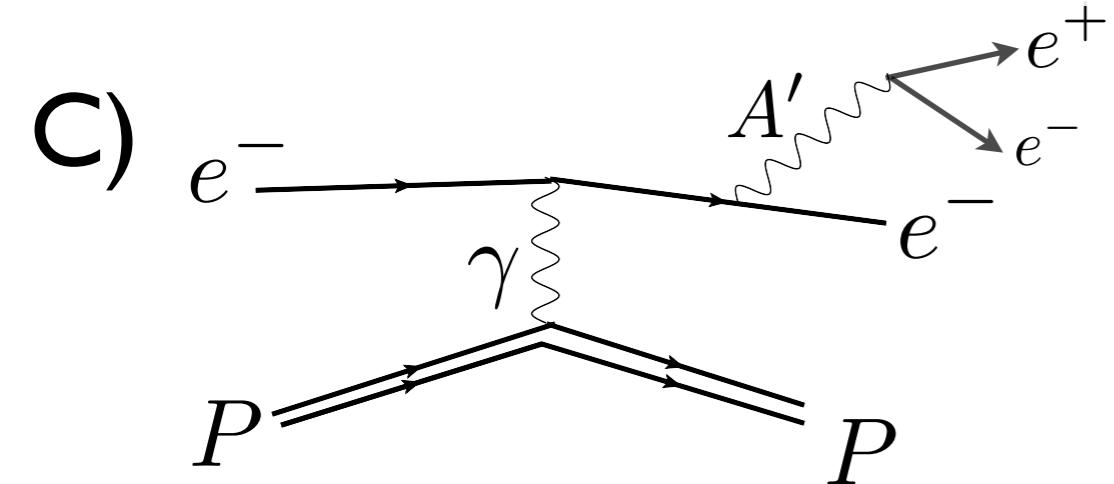
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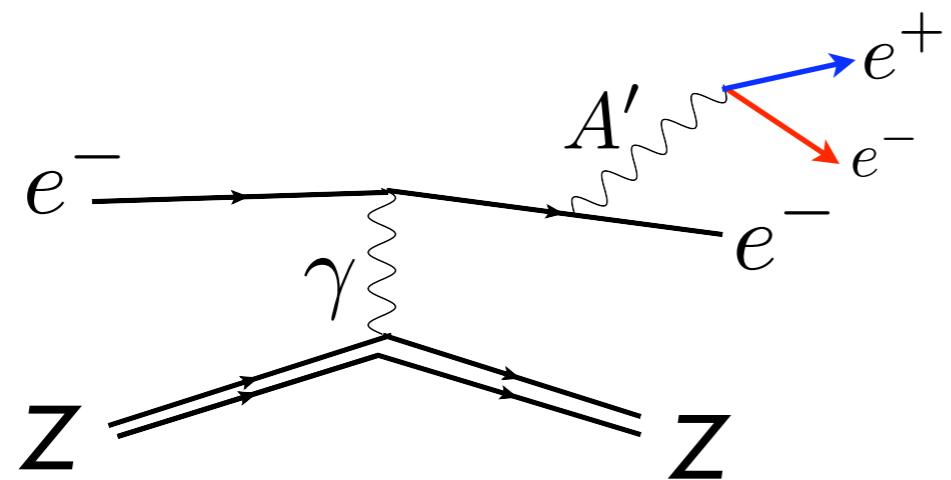
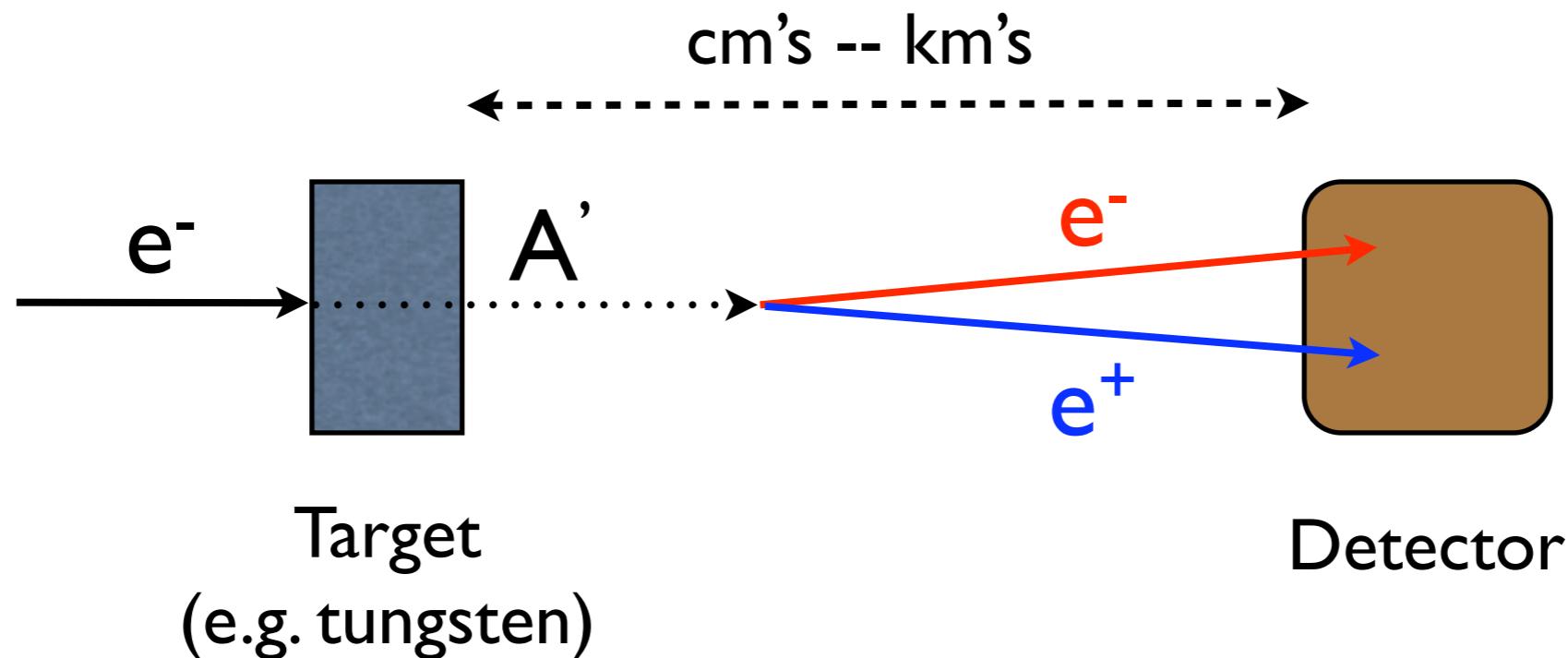


Fixed Target Exp's  
(EI37, EI41, JLab, SLAC, FNAL, COMPASS)

# Fixed-Target Experiments

[Bjorken RE, Schuster, Toro]  
[see also Batell et.al.;  
Reece & Wang]

Produce  $A'$  via bremsstrahlung off  $e^-$  beam on fixed target

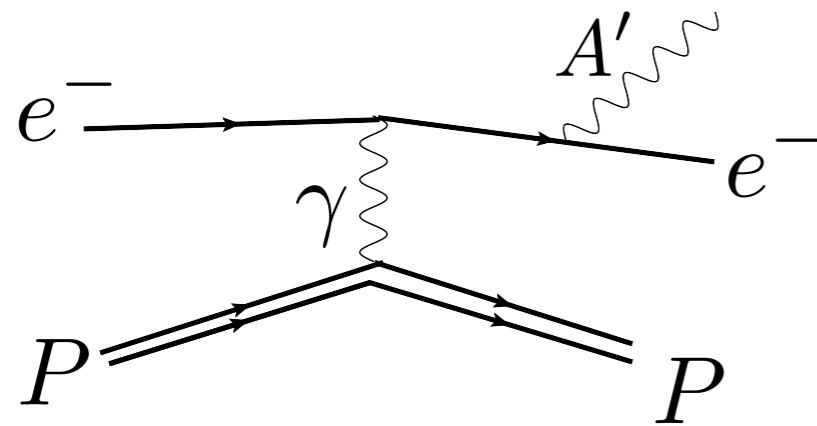


$A'$  produced forward  
carrying most of energy  
& decays to  $e^+e^-$  pair  
(remainder of talk: assume  
this simplest possibility)

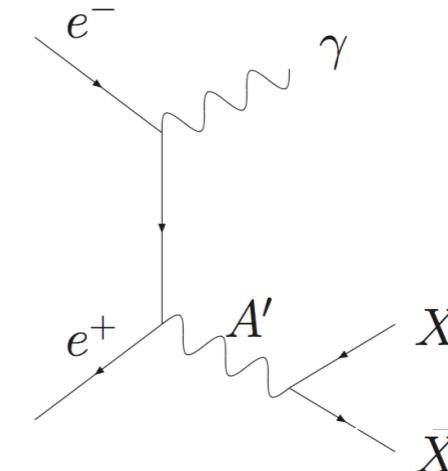
# Fixed Target advantages over Colliders

[Bjorken RE, Schuster, Toro]  
[see also Batell et.al.;  
Reece & Wang]

## Larger Cross-section

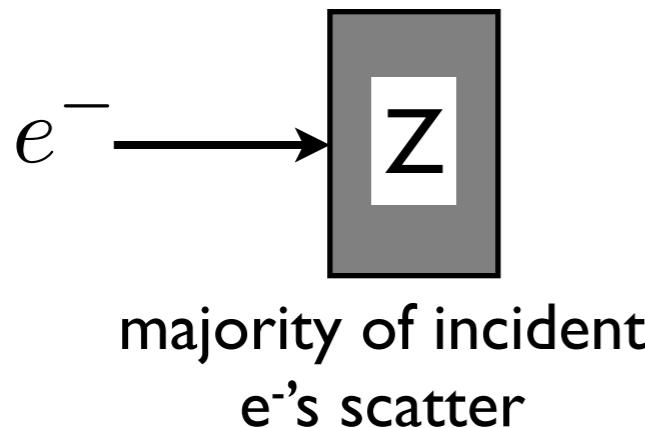


$$\sigma \propto \frac{\alpha^3 \epsilon^2 Z^2}{m_{A'}^2} \propto 1 \text{ pb}$$

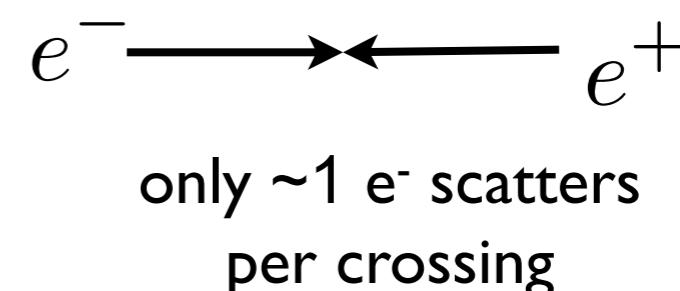


$$\sigma \propto \frac{\alpha^2 \epsilon^2}{E_{cm}^2} \propto 1 \text{ fb}$$

## Higher Luminosity



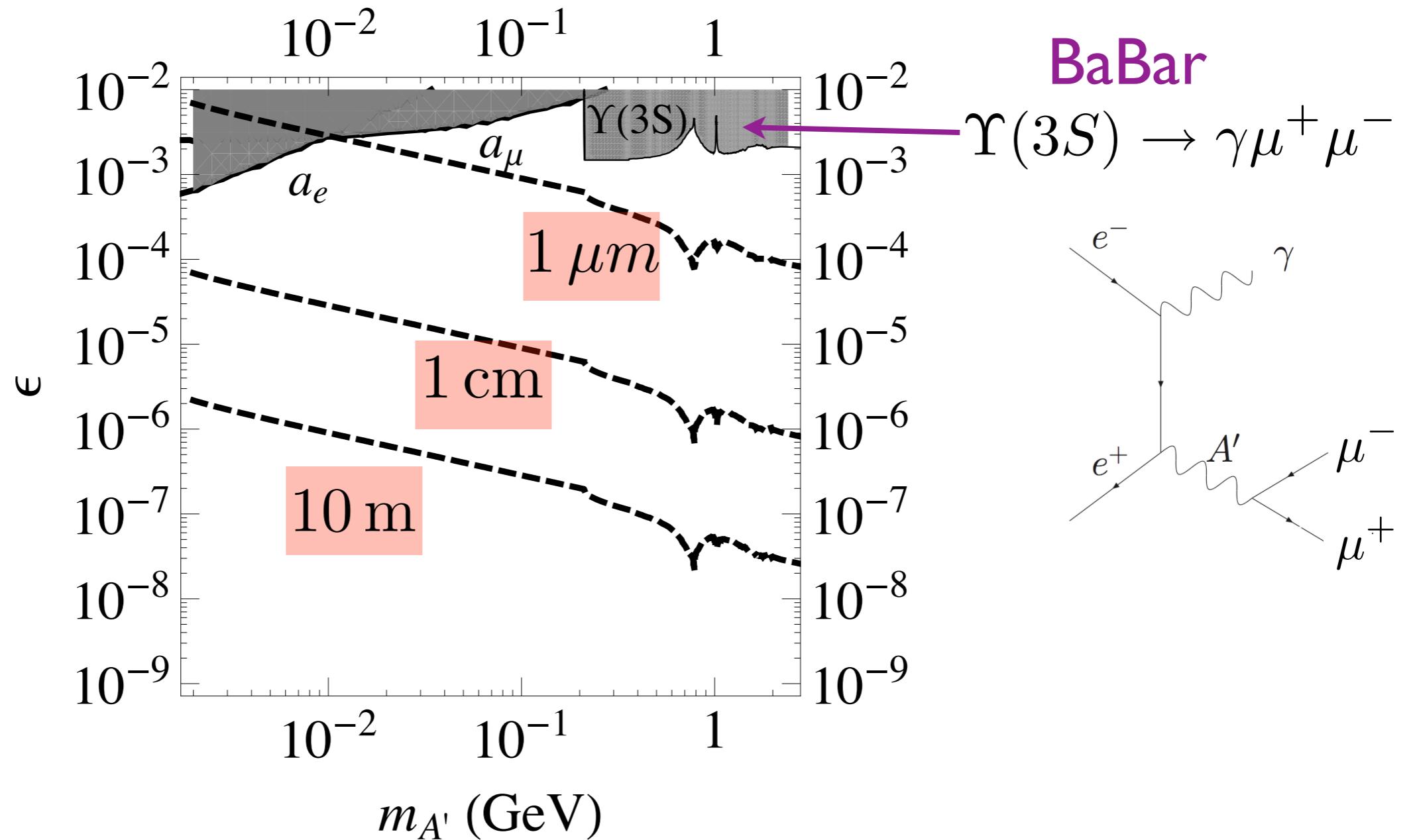
~ few ab<sup>-1</sup>/day



~ few ab<sup>-1</sup>/decade

# Cover huge range in mass and coupling

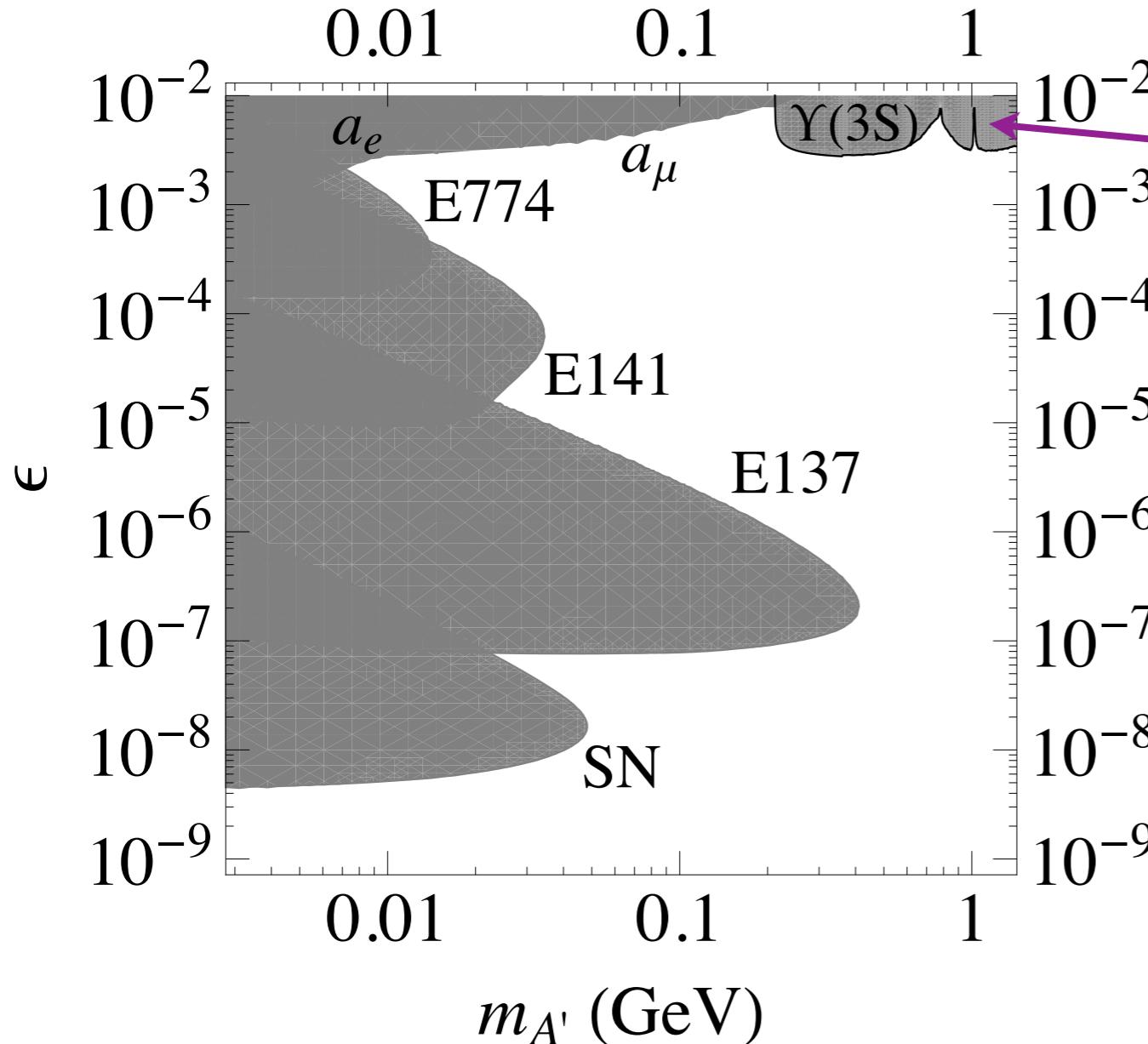
$$c\tau(A' \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-) \sim 1 \text{ m} \left( \frac{10^{-6}}{\epsilon} \right)^2 \left( \frac{100 \text{ MeV}}{m_{A'}} \right)$$



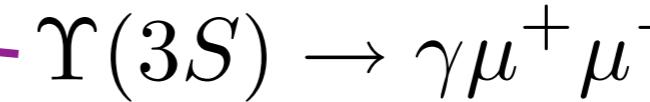
Need various strategies to cover huge lifetime range

# Good Beam Dump Constraints exist

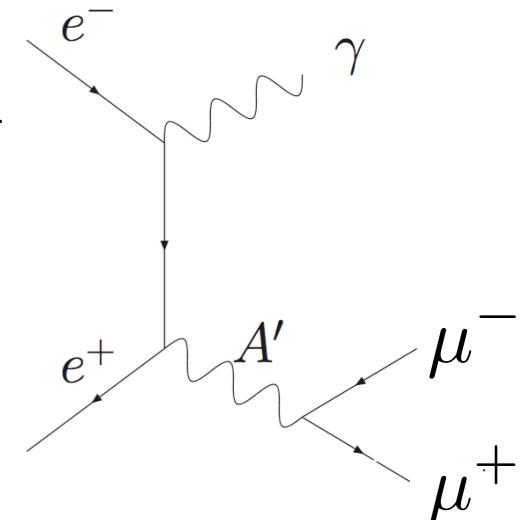
[Bjorken RE, Schuster, Toro]



BaBar



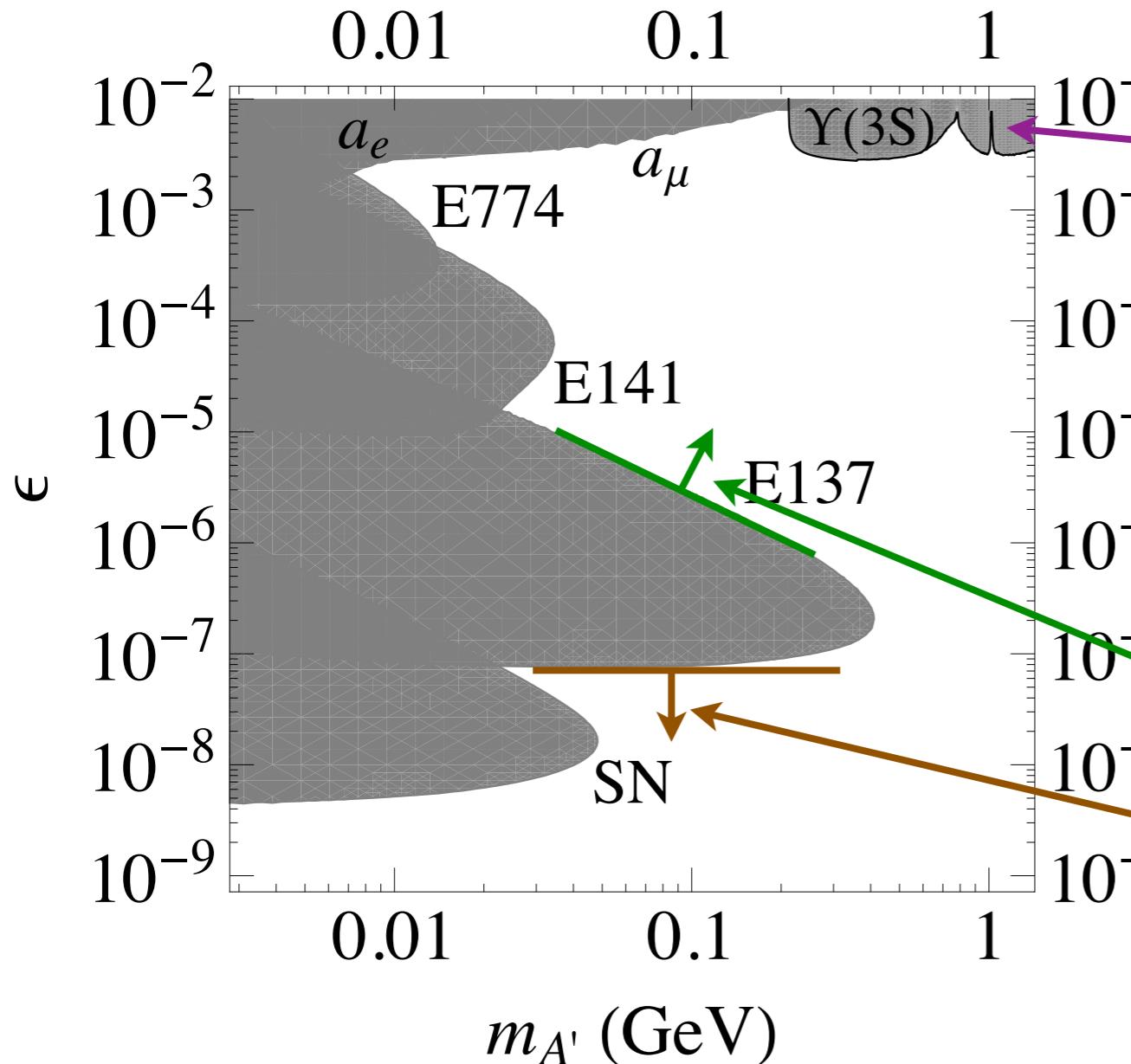
Beam dumps:  
E137, E141, E774



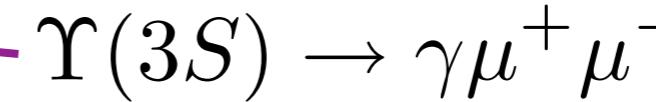
Need new experiments to  
cover remaining parameter space

# Good Beam Dump Constraints exist

[Bjorken RE, Schuster, Toro]

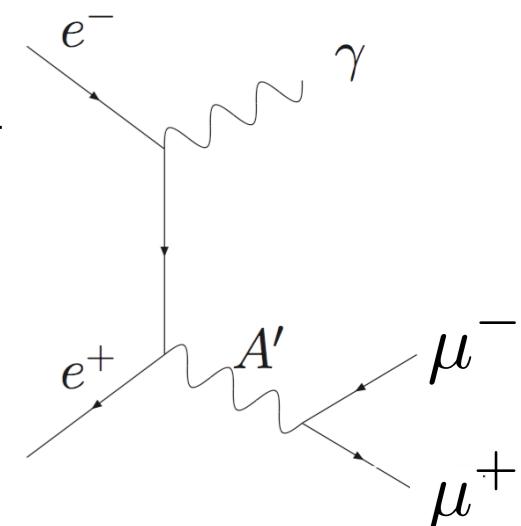


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Beam dumps:  
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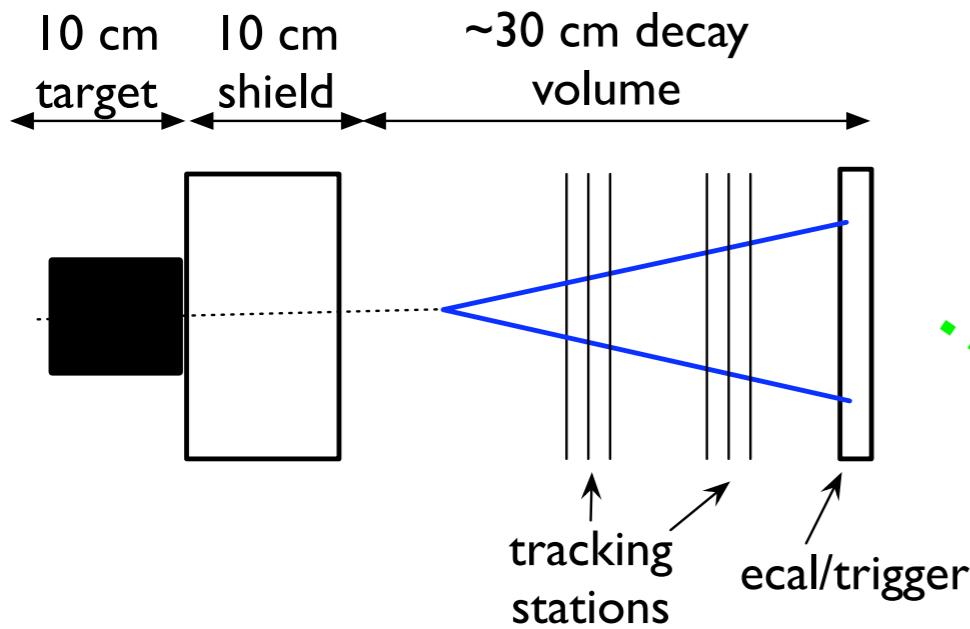
- $A'$  decay products decay in shield  
(since lifetime too small)
- luminosity too small  
(since cross-section too small)



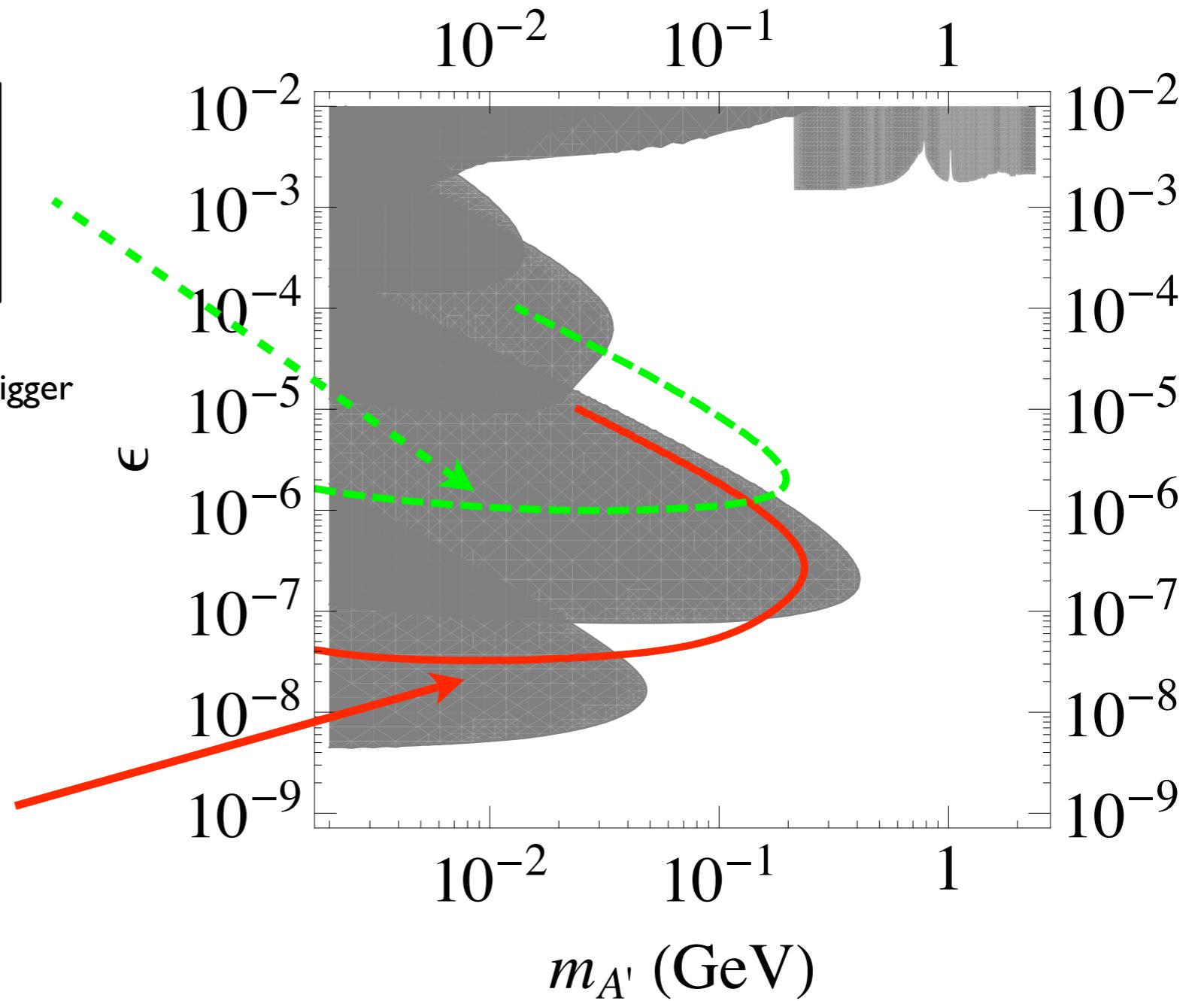
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# Strategy 1: New Beam Dumps

[Bjorken RE, Schuster, Toro]



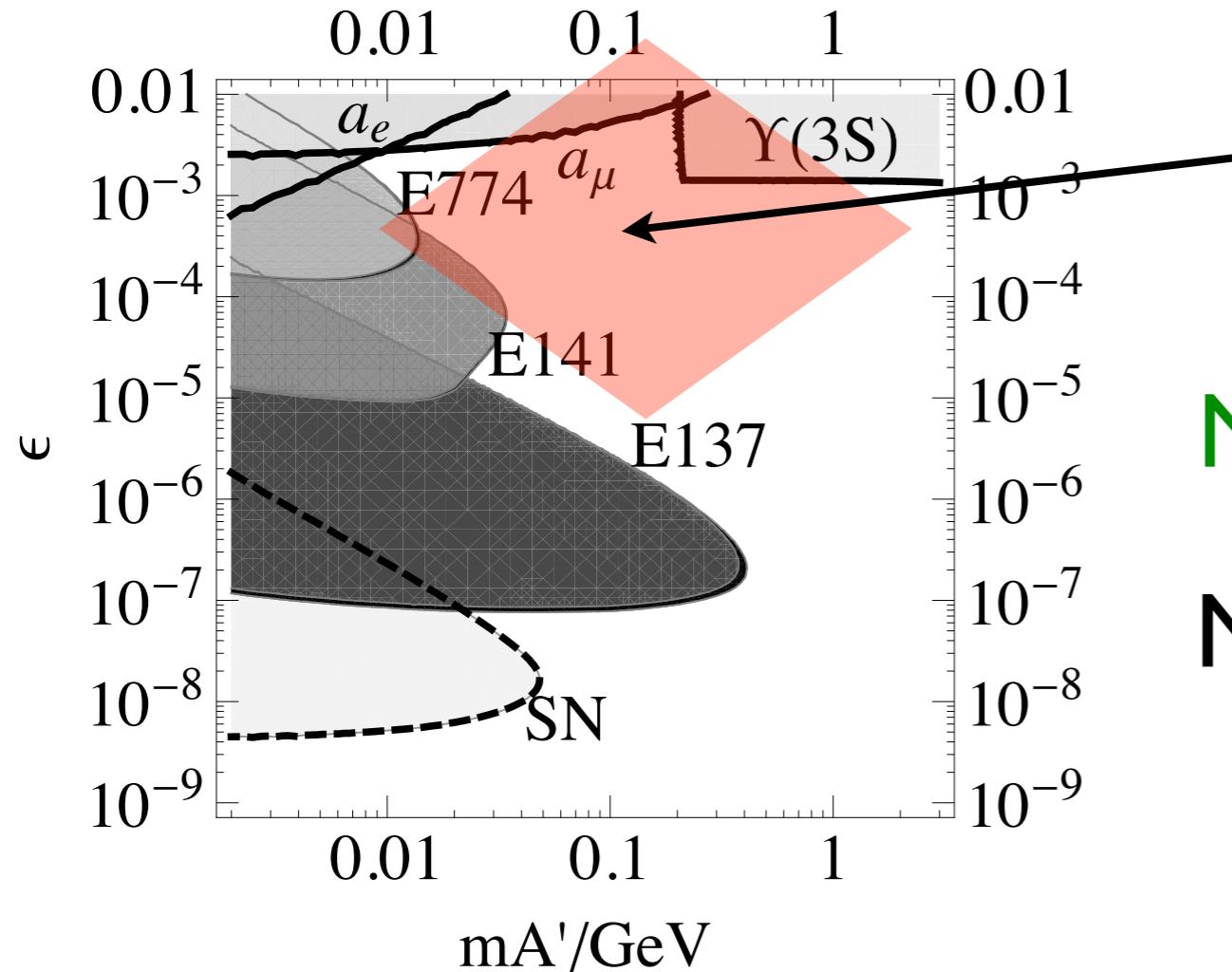
Larger shield,  
1 MW power



@ SLAC, Jefferson Lab, DESY,  
Mainz Mictrotron?

# Strategy 2: Thin targets for high $m_{A'}$ , high $\epsilon$

[Bjorken RE, Schuster, Toro]



$A'$  lifetime short,  
so need *thin* target

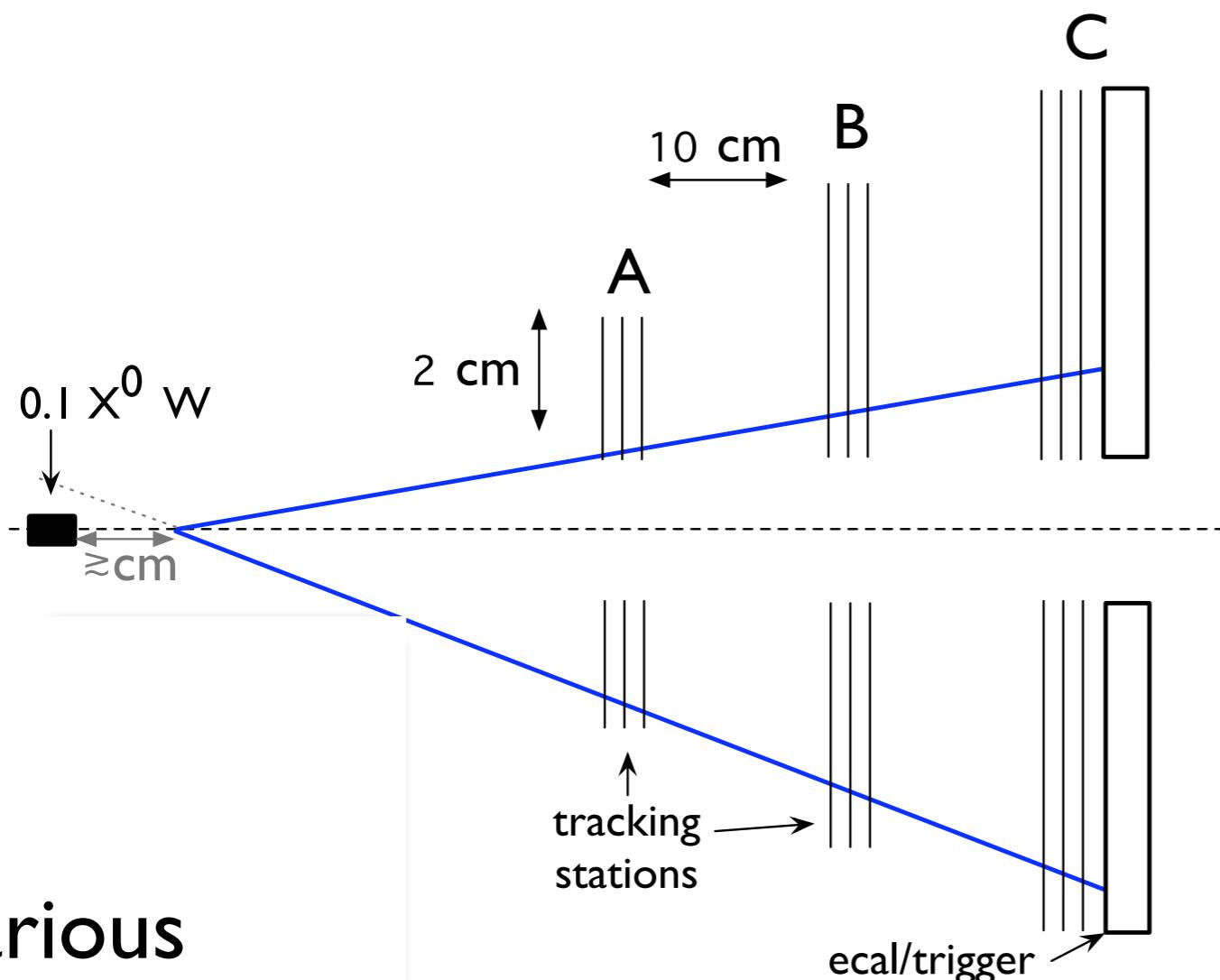
Now have background too!

Most background is forward  
and softer, but not all...

Use vertexing and/or bump hunt

# Example: Forward two-arm spectrometer

[Bjorken RE, Schuster, Toro]



Various  
geometries possible

*small, simple & cheap  
experiments*

Want:

Mass resolution  $< 1\%$

Fast calorimeter

Fast trigger

several ideas to cover much of parameter space

some are being turned into real experimental proposals

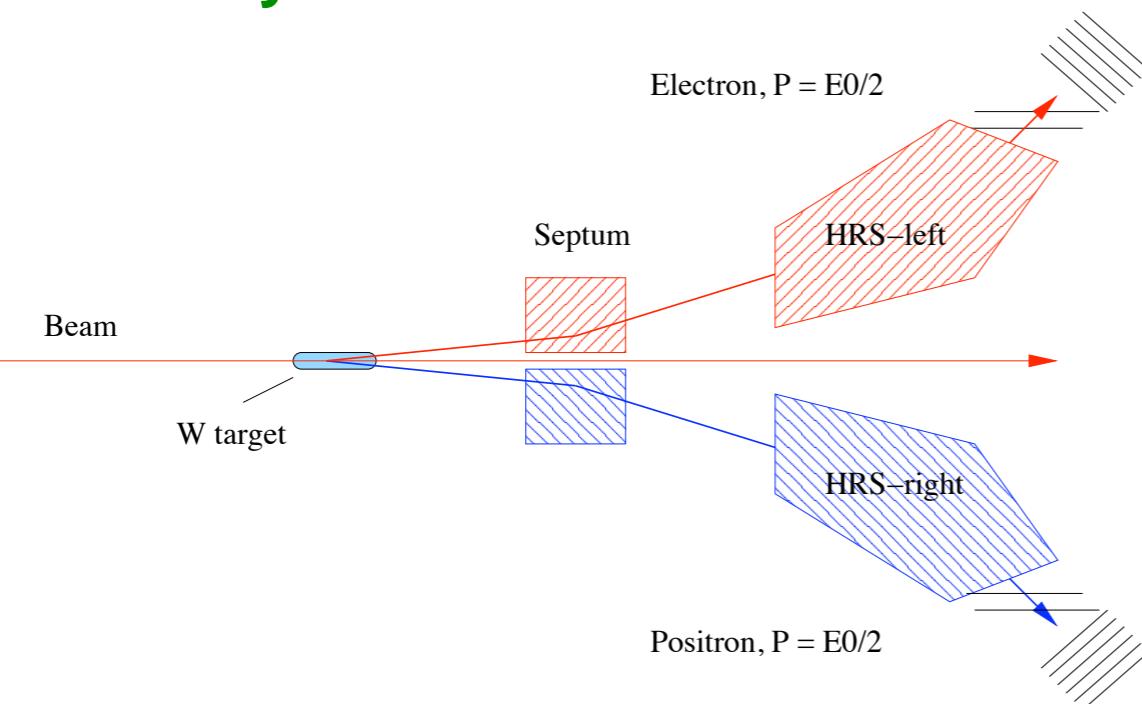
# A' EXperiment (APEX) @ JLab Hall A

Proposal by  
RE, Schuster, Toro,  
Wojtsekhowski  
(collaboration of ~70 people)

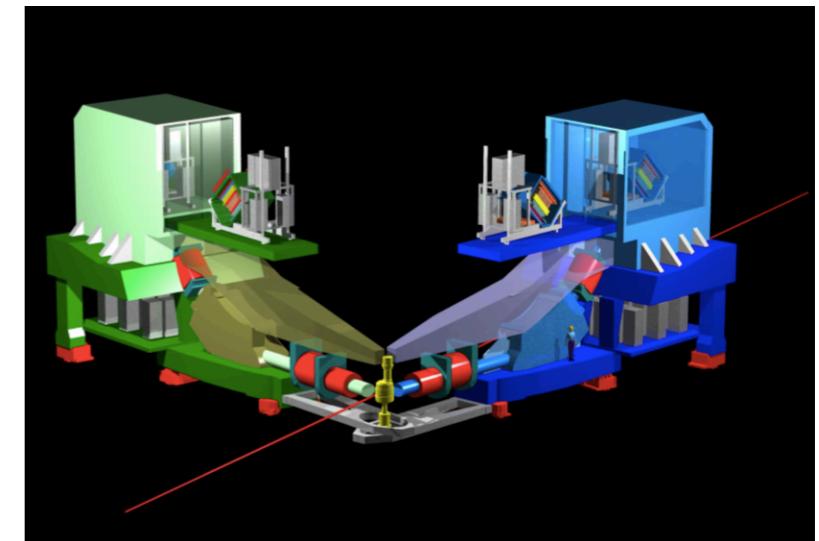
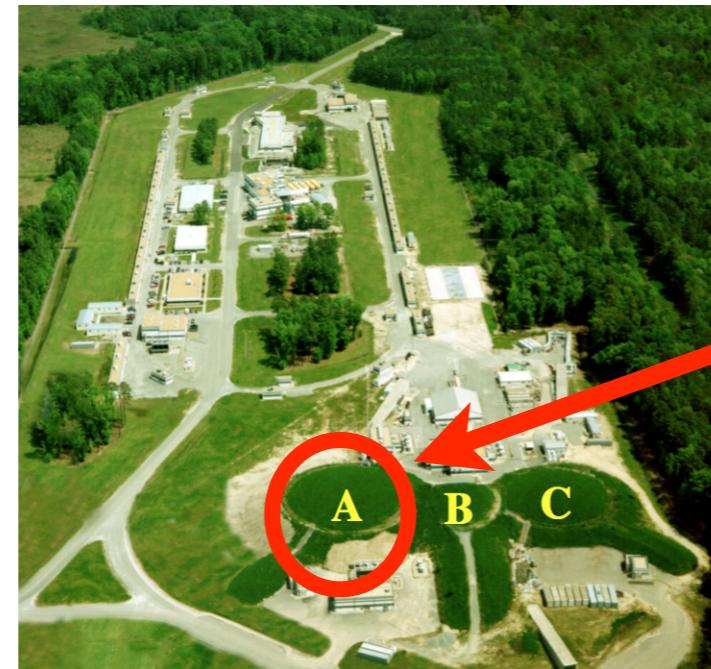
[see arXiv: 1001.2557]

Conditional approval

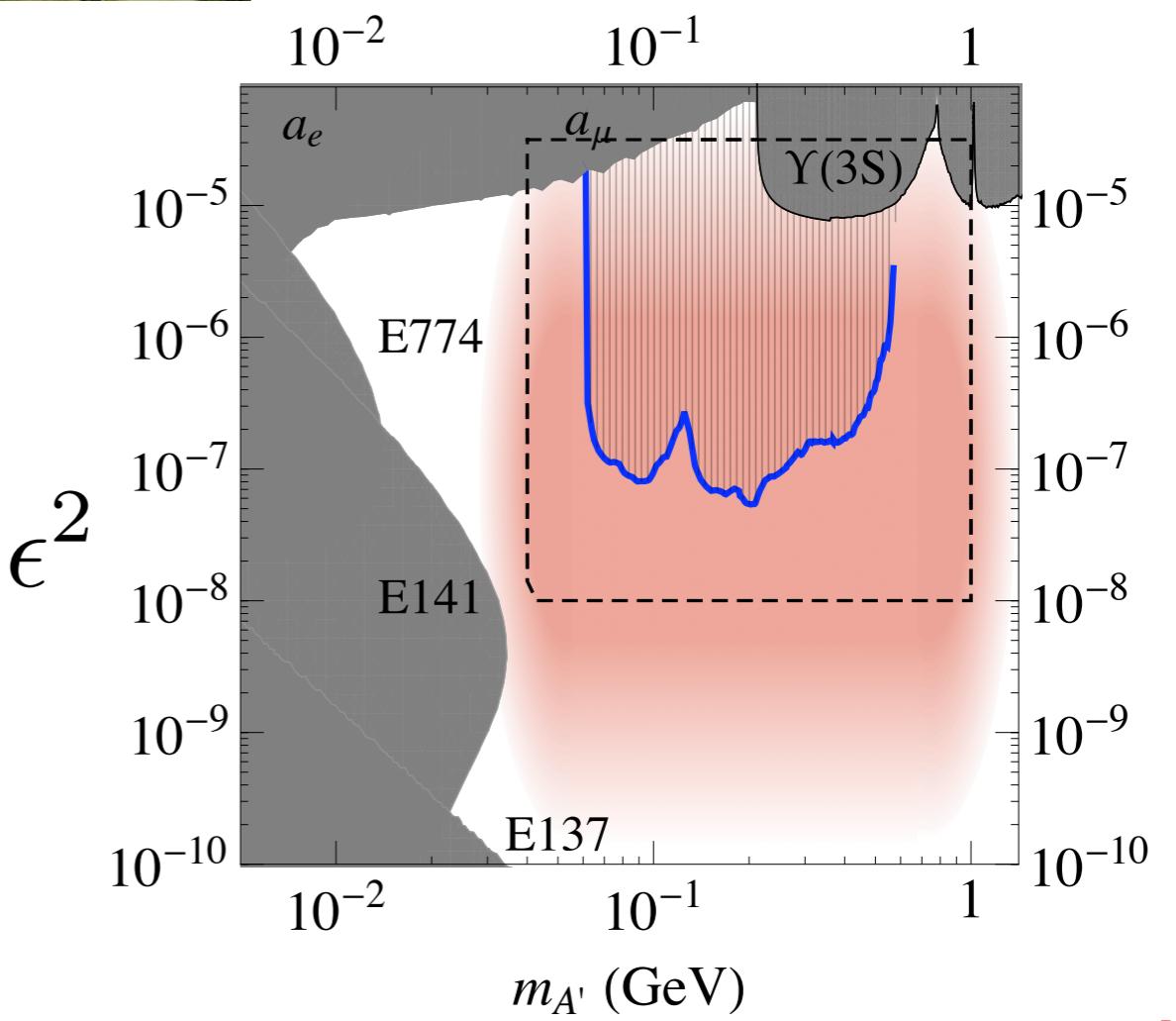
Preparing for a Test  
Run in June 2010



only ~30 days of running needed



Two High Resolution Spectrometers



# Heavy Photon Search Working Group

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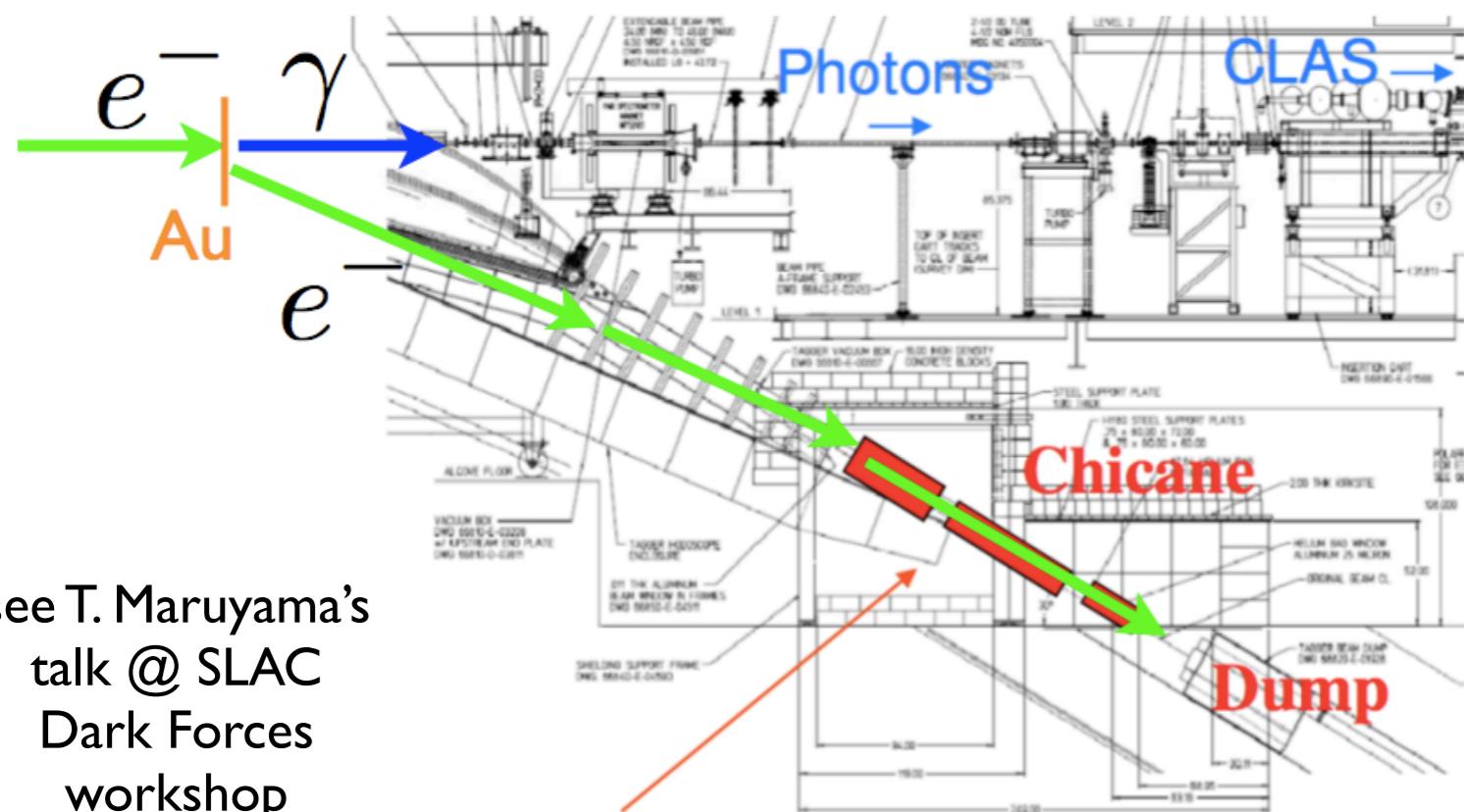
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Developing new experiment @ JLab Hall B

parasitic and non-parasitic options are being considered



Possible location for heavy photon search  
(parasitic option)

complementary reach to APEX

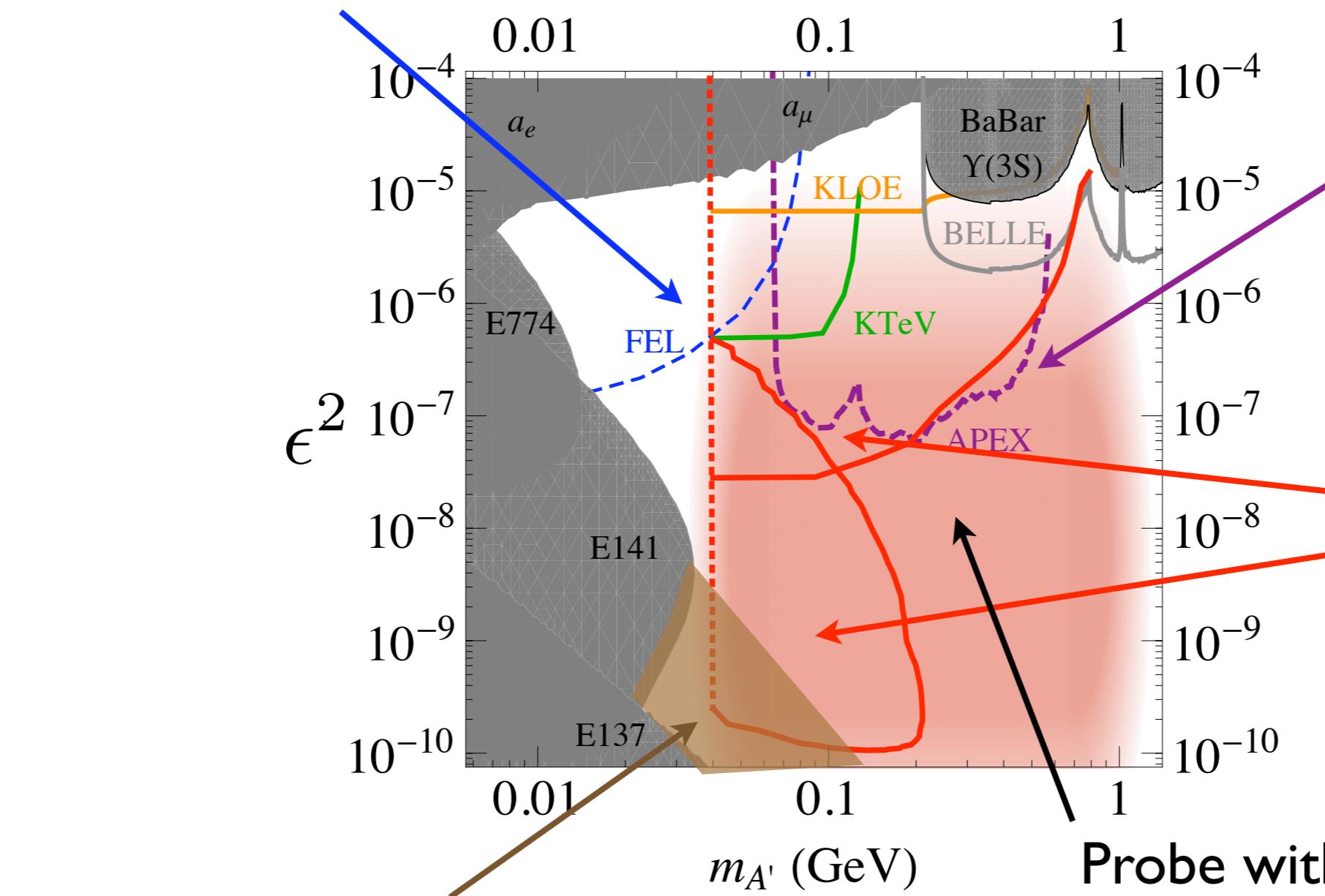
could also discover “True Muonium”, a  $\mu^+ \mu^-$  bound state that decays like an  $A'$  !

see T. Maruyama's talk @ SLAC Dark Forces workshop

# Summary of experiments to probe interesting region

## JLab Free-Electron Laser

[see Freytsis, Ovanesyan, Thaler]



Beam dump @ DESY  
“DarkDESY”

[see talk by A. Ringwald <http://www.desy.de/~ringwald/axions/talks/flc.pdf>]

## Rare meson decays

(potential constraints using existing data)

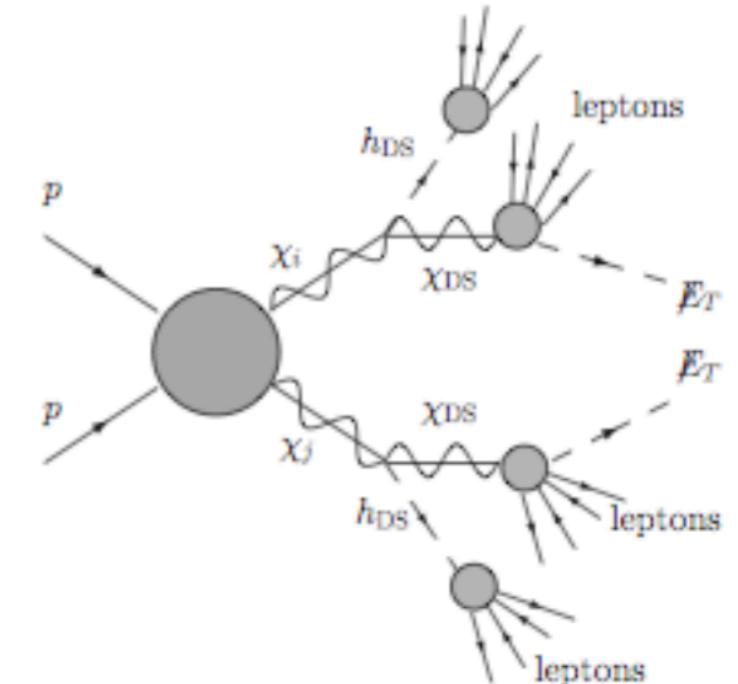
APEX @  
JLab Hall A

SLAC/JLab  
Hall B  
(vertexing &  
bump hunt)

Probe with an  
experiment with better  
acceptance & pixel tracking

# Many possibilities not discussed...

- Muons beams: [RE, Harnik, Kaplan, Schuster, Toro - to appear]
  - MINOS + Minerva
  - COMPASS @ CERN
- LHC, Tevatron Searches [e.g. D0] (“lepton-jets”)
- Further details @ SLAC Dark Forces workshop



<http://www-conf.slac.stanford.edu/darkforces2009/>

# Conclusions

- New dark forces: an exciting possibility
- Indirectly probed with dwarf galaxies
- Large existing data sets at  $e^+e^-$  Colliders may contain spectacular signals
- New Fixed Target Experiments are relatively easy to build and have extensive reach

Short timescale for many  
new analyses & experiments

**Thank you !**

# Ultra-faint Segue 1: Best dwarf target?

Draco



classical dwarf  
(discovered 1954)

Distance: 80 kpc  
data on  
>200 stellar  
velocities

Segue 1



Distance: 23 kpc

New stellar data  
is being analyzed  
(~65 stars)

[Simon et. al.]

ultra-faint dwarf  
(discovered 2006)

$$\gamma, \nu \text{ flux} \propto \mathcal{L} \sim \int \rho^2 \quad \text{determined from stellar velocities}$$

Current analysis suggests

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Segue1}} \gtrsim \mathcal{L}_{\text{Draco}}$$

Preliminary!

# Many more details can be found at SLAC Dark Forces Workshop



Searches for New Forces at the GeV-scale

Organizers:

R. Essig, M. Graham, M. Peskin, A. Roodman, P. Schuster, N. Toro, J. Wacker

<http://www-conf.slac.stanford.edu/darkforces2009/>

see also Perimeter Conference “New Lights on Dark Matter”

[http://www.perimeterinstitute.ca/en/Events/New\\_Lights\\_on\\_Dark\\_Matter/New\\_Lights\\_on\\_Dark\\_Matter/](http://www.perimeterinstitute.ca/en/Events/New_Lights_on_Dark_Matter/New_Lights_on_Dark_Matter/)

# SUSY can generate GeV scale naturally

[Dienes, Kolda, March-Russell; Baumgart, Cheung, Ruderman, Wang; Katz, Sundrum; Morrissey, Poland, Zurek]

Assume weak-scale SUSY exists and couple Standard Model to a dark-sector via kinetic mixing

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{\epsilon}{2} \int d^2\theta \, W_Y W' + \text{h.c.}$$

This includes the usual  $\frac{\epsilon}{2} F^{Y,\mu\nu} F'_{\mu\nu}$

But also, hypercharge  $\textcolor{red}{U(1)_Y}$  and dark  $\textcolor{blue}{U(1)'} D$ -terms mix

$$V_{\text{mix}} = \epsilon \langle D_Y \rangle D' \quad \text{induces effective FI term for } \textcolor{blue}{U(1)'}$$

$$\rightarrow \epsilon \left( \frac{1}{2} g_Y v_{\text{SM}}^2 \right) D' \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^2 D'$$

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Assume there is dark-sector matter charged under  $\mathbf{U(1)'}^*$

e.g. 
$$W = \mu' H_+ H_- \quad W = \lambda S H_+ H_-$$

Dark  $\mathbf{U(1)'}^*$  D-term potential is

$$V_D \sim \frac{1}{2} \left( g_D \sum_i x_i |\phi_i|^2 - \epsilon \frac{g_Y}{2} v_{\text{SM}}^2 \right)^2$$

$\text{U}(1)_Y \text{ D-term}$

Electroweak-symmetry breaking triggers dark  $\mathbf{U(1)'}^*$  breaking

$$m_{A'}^2 \sim \epsilon \frac{g_Y g_D}{g_2^2} m_W^2 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$$