

Preliminary thoughts on **Finding NP in “SM-like” muon decays?**
 $(\mu^+ \rightarrow \mathcal{I} + \{\bar{e}, \bar{e}\gamma, \bar{e}e\bar{e}\})$ ($\mathcal{I} \equiv \text{invisible} \supset \bar{\nu}\nu, \text{light NP } X, \dots$)

about X :
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1. measure $\tau_\mu \Leftrightarrow G_F$?
2. (generalised) Michel parameters ?
3. $(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\gamma ?)$
4. lots still on the todo list, please help with suggestions + questions :)

on website: a pdf of random thoughts and incomplete refs

Is it interesting to better measure $\tau_\mu \leftrightarrow G_\mu$?

1. measured by MuLAN (PSI) @ ppm with $\sim 1.6 \times 10^{12} \mu^+$. 1211.0960
 2. PDB review (EW model and constraints on NP; Erler and Freitas) says all EW parameters enter the fits, but G_F is so precisely determined by MuLan, that other observables have little effect on its value.
- ⇒ maybe only interesting when second-best-determination of G_F becomes competitive? (from EWfit or β decay, current uncertainties \sim few 10^{-4})

Maybe not?
(paper of ACrivellin 2102.02825
see backup+ask AC...)

A curiosity about PDB:

light particles are SM, invisible are ν s
 E_T assigned to ν to conserve flavour (no light NP?)

- neutrino oscillations confirm most μ decays are SM :)

? Are constraints on BSM μ decays from ν oscillations interesting?

ex: In PDB, $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\nu_e\bar{\nu}_\mu) < 0.012 \dots$? better sensitivity from modern ν osc expts? Info in ν angular distributions?

$e\bar{\nu}_e\nu_\mu$...
$e\bar{\nu}_e\nu_\mu\gamma$	$6 \cdot 10^{-8} MEG$
$e\bar{\nu}_e\nu_\mu e^+ e^-$	$3 \cdot 10^{-5} SINDRUM$
$e\nu_e\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$< 1.2 \times 10^{-2}$
$e\gamma$	$< 4.2 \times 10^{-13}$
$e\bar{e}e$	$< 10^{-12}$
$e\gamma\gamma$	$< 7.2 \times 10^{-11}$

Can one find NP in angular distributions of visible final states?

?construct and measure generalised Michel parameters?

1. $\mu \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu}, \mu \rightarrow eXX$ ($X = \text{boson}$):

= Michel parameters for $\mathcal{I} = \bar{\nu}\nu$ (generalisation for 2 bosons?)

Currently determined “poorly”: 4 coeffs $\lesssim .01$, 5 coeffs $\lesssim .1$, 5 coeffs $\lesssim .5$!

Andreas says any improvement is interesting :) (backupslide)

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2. $\mu \rightarrow eX$, ($X = \text{boson}$) : with polarised μ^+ , TRIUMF obtained
 $\text{BR} \lesssim 2.6$ (massless, isotropic) $\rightarrow 10$ ($m > 10$ MeV, anisotropic) $\rightarrow 58 \times 10^{-6}$ (massless, SM-distributed)

JodidioEtal:PRD34 (1988),1967
TWIST:1409.0638

pheno recast for ALPs 2006.04795 (=CRZZ; plot in backup).

MEGforward in snowmass Lol estimates reach $\text{BR} \sim 10^{-7} \rightarrow 10^{-8}$,

aim “to explore the broad context of light NP (s, a, γ') that could appear in μ decay”

Also $\mu^- \rightarrow^- e + X$ at $\mu A \rightarrow eA$ expts?

arXiv:1110.2874, ...
arXiv:2005.07894

E_e not fixed by 4-momentum conservation; tail up to $\sim m_\mu$ ($\sim 10^{-10}$ of the electrons are above ~ 95 MeV), slightly different endpt shape from decay in orbit.

Reach $\lesssim \sqrt{\text{BR}(\mu A \rightarrow eA)}$, selon snowmass Lol, (possibly sensitive for $m_X \rightarrow 0$ where MEGforward struggles?).

3. $\mu^+ \rightarrow e + \gamma + \mathcal{I}$: Crystal Box ($\sim 10^{12} \mu$) obtained $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma X) < 1.3 \times 10^{-9}$,
for a \approx massless X .

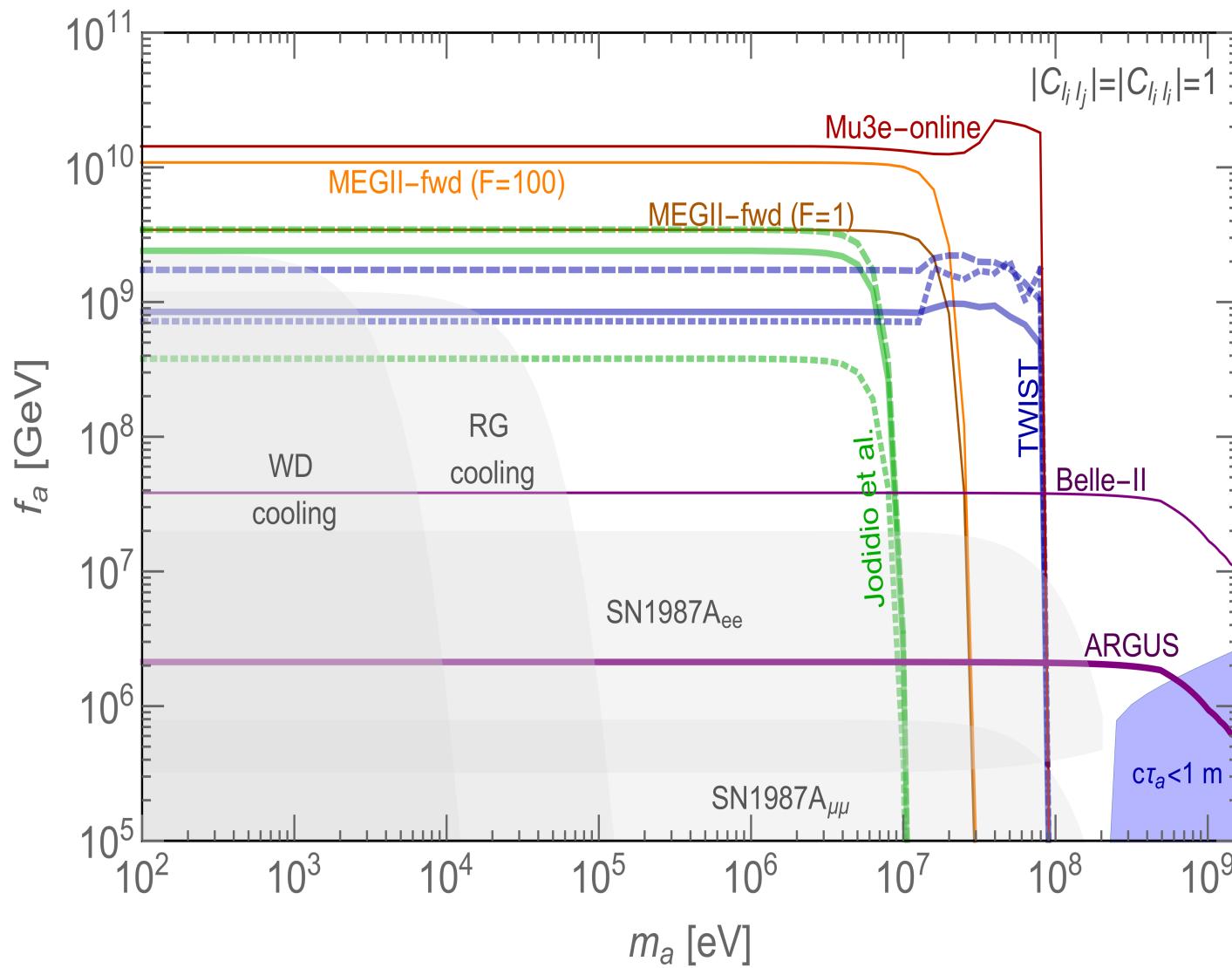
PRD36 (1987)1543

a doubt: ratio of $\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma X$, vs $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma X$? But wavefn overlaps are small: 1003.1578 (PRL)

There are various theoretical recasts of MEG results ... 0902.0525, 2008.01099 ...

? interesting to MEG? Included in MEGforward?

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4. if X only interacts with neutrinos? (interesting for cosmo:

$$\text{interaction} \sim G_\nu (\bar{\nu} \Gamma \nu)(\bar{\nu} \Gamma \nu) , \quad G_\nu \sim \frac{1}{(4.6 \text{MeV})^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{(90 \text{MeV})^2}$$
1902.00534
2004.10868

could help address the H_0 tension $\Rightarrow m_{\text{mediator}} < m_\mu$)

For majoron J , $g_{\alpha\beta}\bar{\nu}_\alpha\gamma_5\nu_\beta J$, J bremsstrahlung in pion/kaon decay removes chiral suppression, so more sensitive than Michel:

$$g_{e\alpha} \lesssim 3.3 \times 10^{-3} \quad g_{\mu\alpha} \lesssim 9.5 \times 10^{-3} \quad (\text{meson decays})$$

$$g_{\mu\alpha} \lesssim 9 \times 10^{-2} \quad (\text{Michel param} = \rho)$$

hep-ph/0701068

$\alpha \in \{e, \mu, \tau\}$ (its a ν flavour)

$\Rightarrow?$ need significant improvement in Michel to compete with meson decays?

(?loopholes?: true for scalars, pseudoscalars, vectors ? ...)

5. what about $\mu \rightarrow e + \bar{e}e + \mathcal{I}?$

What about $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\gamma$?

Crystal Box (1988) :
 BR < 7.2×10^{-11}

- could be mediated by: dipole ($\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$) + radiation, or $\mu \rightarrow eX; X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, or contact interactions:

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{\sum_{X \in L,R}}{v^3} \left(C_{FF,X} \bar{e} P_X \mu F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta} + C_{F\tilde{F},X} \bar{e} P_X \mu F_{\alpha\beta} \tilde{F}^{\alpha\beta} \right) + \text{dim8}$$

- $\mu A \rightarrow eA$ at SINDRUM has better sensitivity to $\bar{e}\Gamma\mu FF$ than Crystal Box
^{2007.09612}
 but can not probe $\bar{e}\Gamma\mu F\tilde{F} \sim \bar{e}\Gamma\mu \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$)
- MEG looked for $\mu \rightarrow eX; X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $20 \text{ MeV} < m_X < 40 \text{ MeV}$
^{2005.00339}
 (? for $\mu \rightarrow eX; X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, how do sensitivities of $X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $\mu \rightarrow eX$ compare to $\mu \rightarrow eX; X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$?)
- ? discussed for MEGII/MEGII-forward?
- ...if one (or 2) of the γ 's is off-shell (?), obtain $\mu \rightarrow e\bar{e}e + \gamma/\mu \rightarrow e(\bar{e}e)(\bar{e}e)$?

?

(how theoretically interesting is it?)

Summary: is it interesting to look for NP in angular distributions?

$BR(\mu \rightarrow e(+\bar{\nu}\nu) \sim 100\%, BR(\rightarrow e\gamma(+\bar{\nu}\nu)) \sim 6 \cdot 10^{-8} (MEG), \rightarrow e\bar{e}e(+\bar{\nu}\nu) \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-5} (SINDRUM)$

See Adrian's discussion later: will want to measure SM decays, could do this at same time? (And Andreas says improvements to Michel welcome)

random thought: $\mu A \rightarrow eA$ will measure the endpt spectrum of their electron; how does their sensitivity to μ^- decays in orbit compare to μ^+ decays?

Backup

Q for theorists:

1. can one construct a generalisation of Michel parameters, (describe angular/polarisation distributions of visibles) for generic decays $\mu \rightarrow \{e, e\gamma, e\bar{e}e\} + \text{SM/NP invisible?}$
For instance, for $\mu \rightarrow e+\text{invisible}$; if write

$$C_X^a (\bar{\mu} \Gamma_a P_X e) \mathcal{A}_a \quad , \Gamma_a \in \{I, \gamma_\alpha, \sigma_{\alpha\beta}\}, X \in \{L, R\}$$

\mathcal{A}_a describes invisibles ($\bar{\nu}\nu, X, XX, X^\mu \dots$), then could map arbitrary invisible decay \approx to Michel param \Leftrightarrow constrain NP models
(Recall Michel supposes 4-f contact interaction $\mu \rightarrow e\bar{\nu}\nu$)

...? something similar for $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma+\text{invis};, \mu \rightarrow e\bar{e}e+\text{invis.}$

\Rightarrow ? are such parametrisations constructable?

are they useful, or do other processes/total rates have better sensitivity?

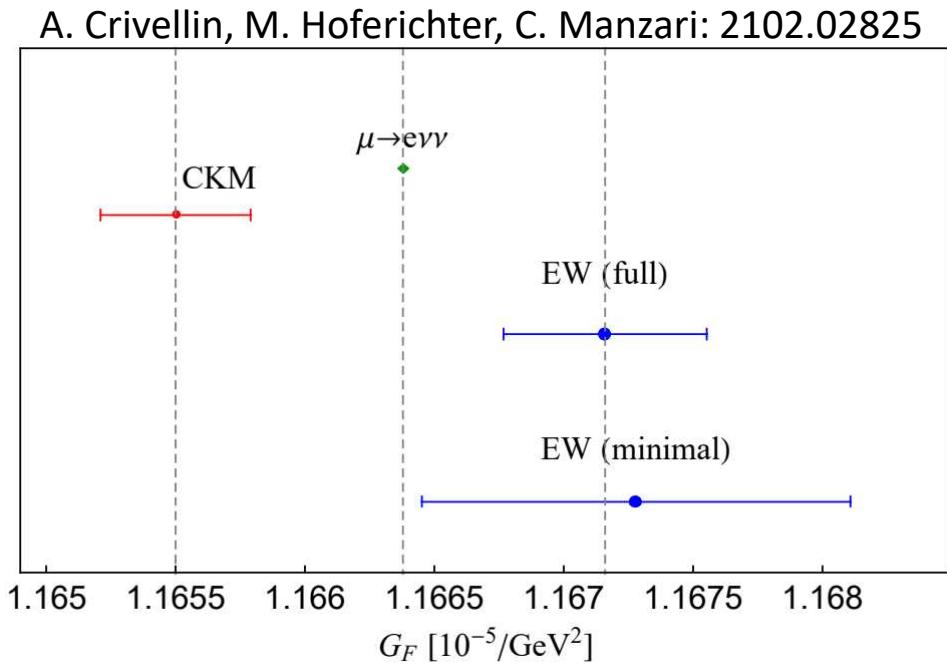
2. Matching out heavy sector of models with light NP coupled to (sterile) neutrinos — somewhere, there is a portal to the SM. At what loop level does it generate interactions of X with charged leptons?

Michel Parameters

$ g_{RR}^S < 0.035$	$ g_{RR}^V < 0.017$	$ g_{RR}^T \equiv 0$
$ g_{LR}^S < 0.050$	$ g_{LR}^V < 0.023$	$ g_{LR}^T < 0.015$
$ g_{RL}^S < 0.420$	$ g_{RL}^V < 0.105$	$ g_{RL}^T < 0.105$
$ g_{LL}^S < 0.550$	$ g_{LL}^V > 0.960$	$ g_{LL}^T \equiv 0$
$ g_{LR}^S + 6g_{LR}^T < 0.143$	$ g_{RL}^S + 6g_{RL}^T < 0.418$	
$ g_{LR}^S + 2g_{LR}^T < 0.108$	$ g_{RL}^S + 2g_{RL}^T < 0.417$	
$ g_{LR}^S - 2g_{LR}^T < 0.070$	$ g_{RL}^S - 2g_{RL}^T < 0.418$	

New Physics in the Fermi Constant

- Fermi constant can be determined from
 - Muon decay
 - Electroweak fit (EW)
 - Kaon and beta decays (CKM)
- Tension could be due to NP in $\mu \rightarrow e\nu\nu$
- Explanation via skalar operator leads to angular effects and is a the boarder of compatibility with current bounds



Improve Michel Parameters in Muon decay

What about bounds on flavour-diagonal couplings?

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Suppose X interacts with leptons, has flavour-diagonal couplings $\gtrsim 10^{-10 \pm few}$ with electrons; is $m_X < m_\mu$ allowed by other constraints? ...

1. astrophysical/cosmo bounds exclude $m_X \lesssim \text{MeV}$ ($\sim T_U$ @ BBN, T_{core} for a Red Giant ~ 10 keV)
2. there is a SN constraint that can reach $m_X \lesssim 10$ MeV, for couplings somewhere around $\sim 10^{-6 \pm few}$
3. in the PhysicsBeyondColliders paper [?] (see “Figure 18” and “Figure 39”), there is an un-excluded triangle for $m_{\gamma'} \gtrsim 10$ MeV, $g_{\gamma'ee} \lesssim 10^{-4}$, $g_{\gamma'ee} \gtrsim 10^{-6}(100\text{MeV}/m_X)^2$. (I relate kinetic mixing parameter ϵ to coupling as $g_{\gamma'ee} \sim \epsilon e$). Above this triangle is the $g_X \rightarrow 1$ band that is excluded by the energy frontier for “not-to-small” masses, and below this triangle is the diagonal line excluded by beam dump expts, who aim to detect X at a detector behind a hill (so X has to get through the hill).

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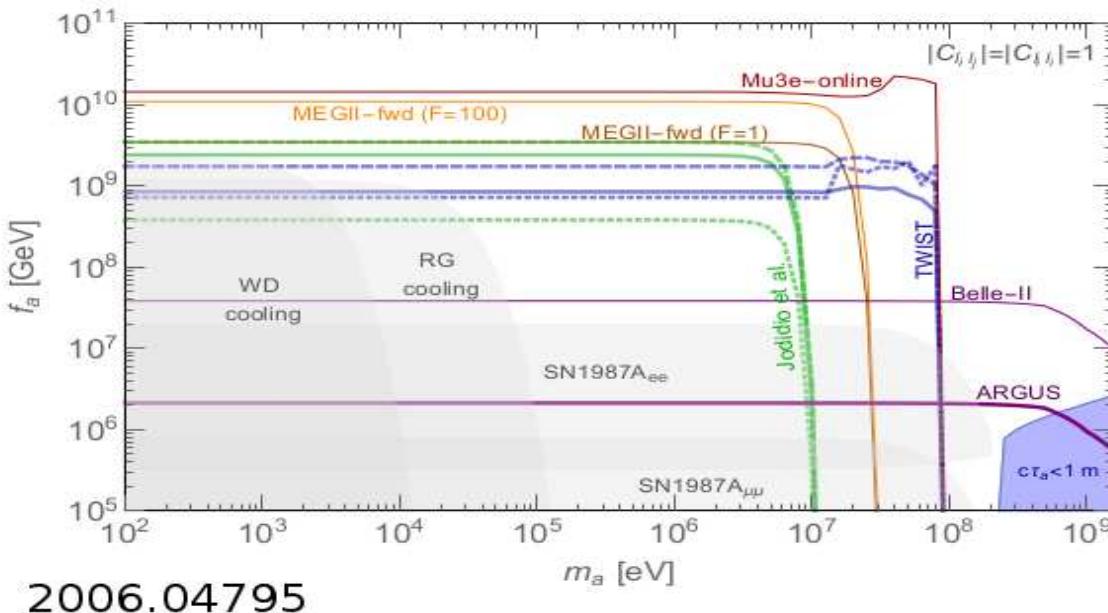
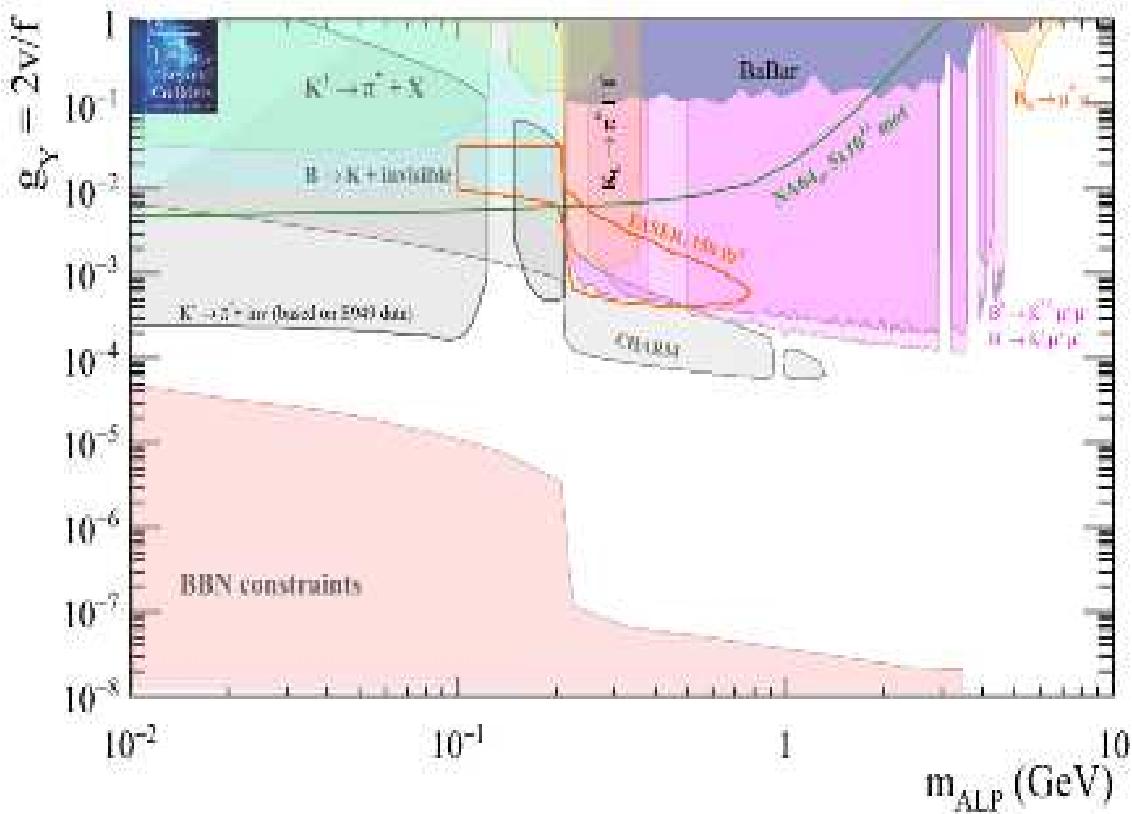


Figure 1. Summary of the present bounds and future projections for an ALP with generic couplings to leptons, i.e., we set $C_{\ell\ell} = 1$ for all the couplings in Eq. (2.1). For the isotropic case we set $C_{\mu e}^V = 0$ and $C_{\mu e}^A = 1$ (the opposite choice leads to the same results). In the $V \pm A$ case we set $C_{\mu e}^V = \pm C_{\mu e}^A = 1$. The gray shaded regions are excluded by the astrophysical bounds from star cooling due to C_{ee} and by SN1987A due to C_{ee} and $C_{\mu\mu}$, see Sec. 6.1. We present these bounds for the isotropic case. The blue shaded region corresponds to a prompt/displaced ALP. The green solid line is the exclusion due to the bound on $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ a$ by Jodidio et al., assuming an isotropic ALP [9]. The green dotted (dashed) line is our recast of this bound for the $V - A$ ($V + A$) case. The sensitivity in the $V - A$ case is worse since then the signal is suppressed in the forward direction as much as the background. The blue solid (dotted, dashed) lines are the bounds from the TWIST experiment on isotropic ($V - A$, $V + A$) ALP [10]. The dark orange thin solid line is the MEGII-fwd projection for an isotropic ALP with no magnetic focusing while for the orange thin solid line we assumed that focusing increases the luminosity in the forward direction by a factor of 100, cf. Sec. 3.2 for details. The dark red thin solid line is the Mu3e projection from [42], for the isotropic ALP. The sensitivity for the other chiral structures is expected to be similar since there is no background suppression in this setup. The purple solid line is the bound from the $\tau \rightarrow ea$ search by the ARGUS collaboration [43], and does not depend on the chirality of the ALP couplings. The purple thin line is the projected reach at Belle-II, see Sec. 5 for details. The bound on $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$ from Crystal Box is subdominant, see Sec. 4, and is not displayed for clarity.

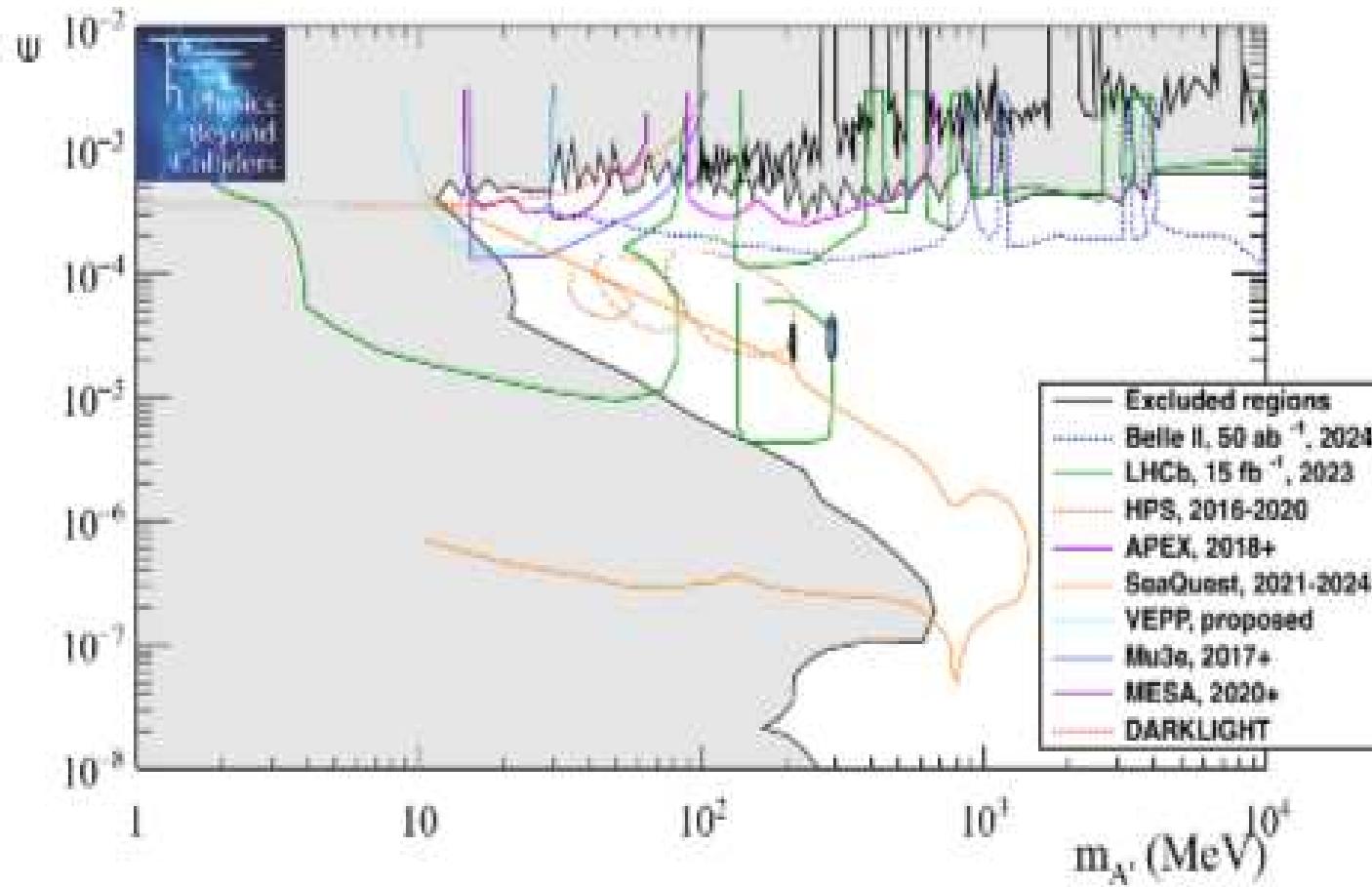
PBC summary plot for axions/ALPs



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Figure 39: BC10: ALPs with fermion coupling. Current bounds (filled areas) and near (~ 5 years) prospects for PBC projects (solid lines). CHARM and LHCb filled areas have been adapted to PBC prescriptions by F. Kahlhoefer, following Ref. [319]. E949 area has been computed by the KLEVER collaboration and M. Papucci based on E949 data. All other exclusion regions have been properly re-computed by M. Papucci, following Ref. [318].

PBC figure for γ'



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Figure 18: Future upper limits at 90 % CL for dark photond in visible decays in the plane mixing strength ϵ versus mass $m_{A'}$ from experiments and proposals not related to the PBC activity.