

# *Flavor physics & DM connection*

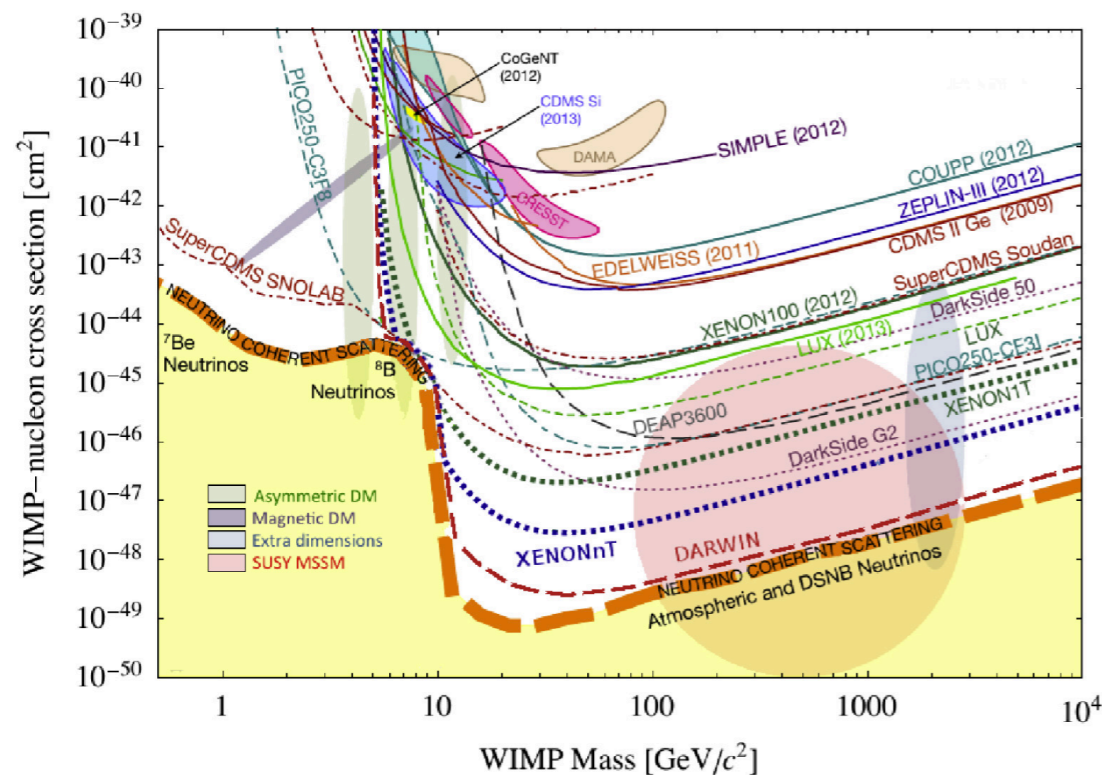
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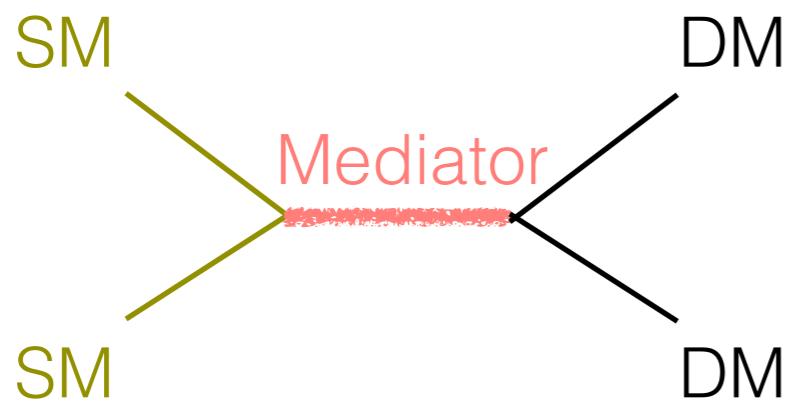
# Introduction

- ▶ Only known interaction for Dark Matter (DM) is **gravitational** in nature
- popular DM hypothesis— Weakly Interacting Massive Particles

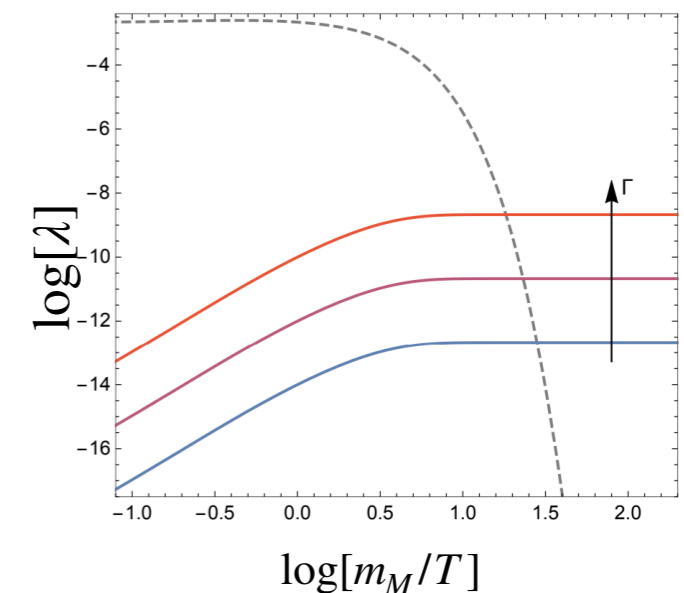


Direct detection experiments like XENONnT, LUX are ruling out most of the regions

Need for alternative mechanisms — Feebly Interacting Massive Particles



DM produced via decay of mediators



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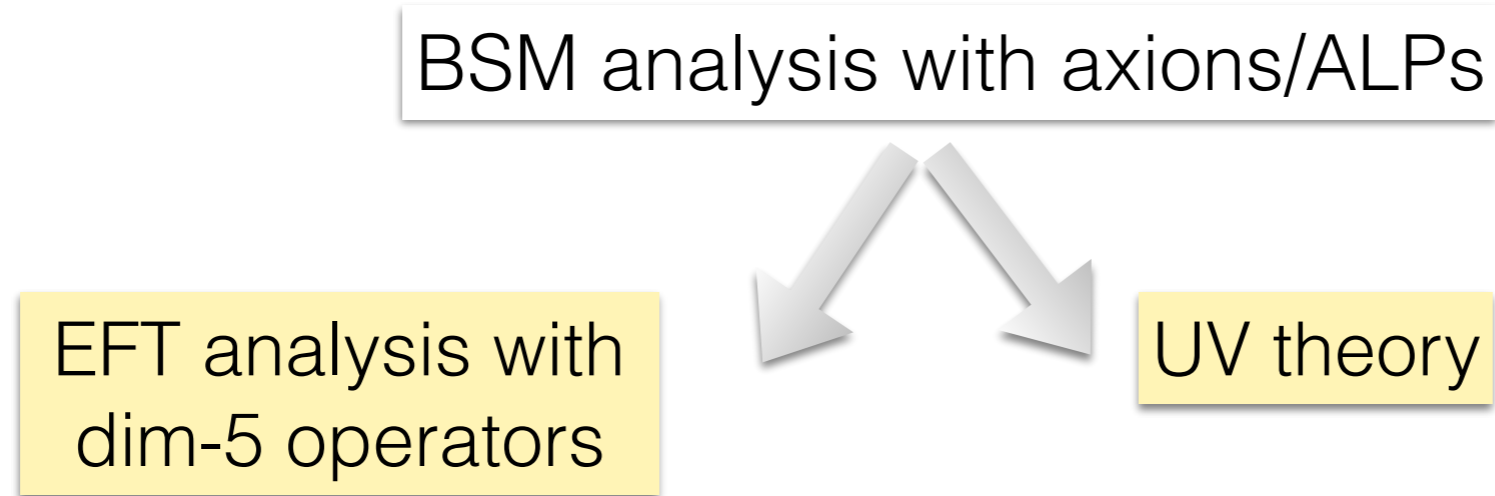
Similar idea motivates for BSM scenarios with SSB of global  $U(1)$

→ ALPs with no general connection to strong CP problem

but new ideas with mirror universe [[Hook et.al.: PRL 124, 221801 \(2020\)](#)]

very weakly coupled— **good mediator** for FIMP DM scenarios

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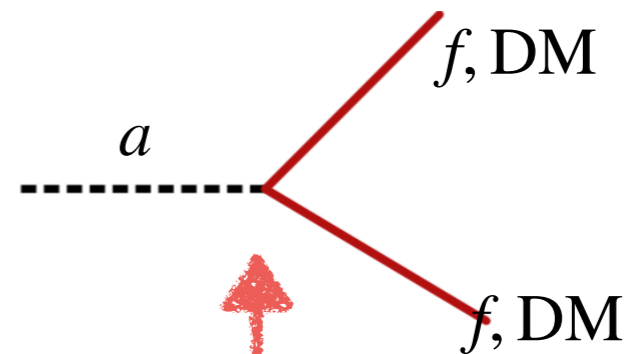
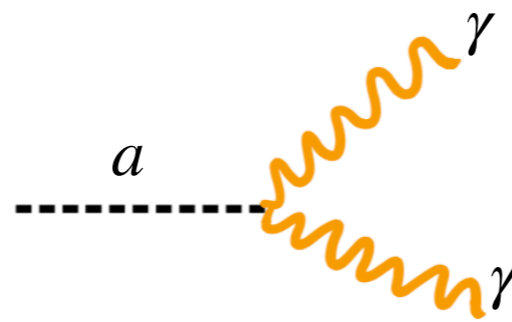
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BSM analysis with axions/ALPs

EFT analysis with dim-5 operators

UV theory

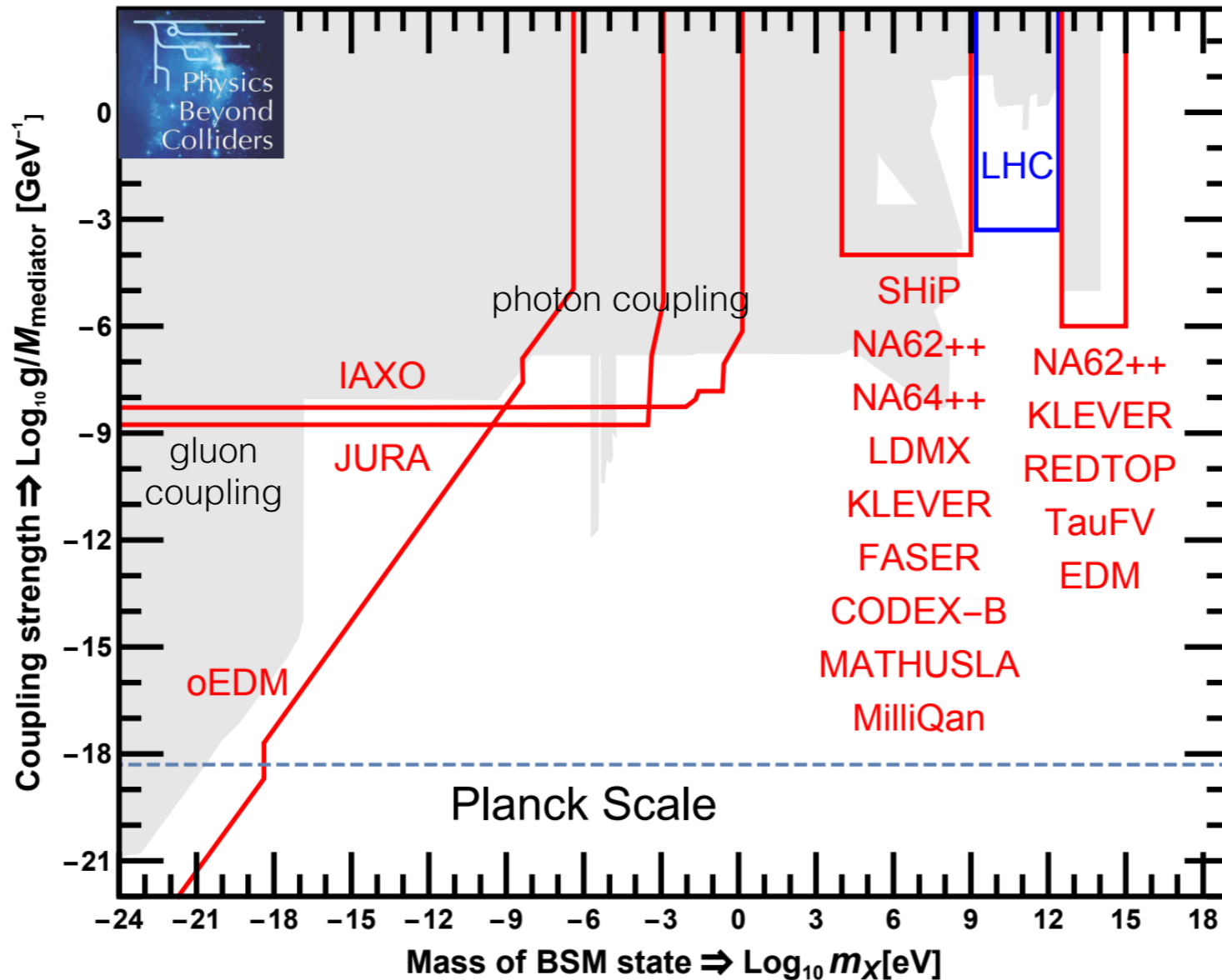
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ALP}} \subset -\frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \frac{C_{ag}}{f_a} a G^{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\alpha}{8\pi} \frac{C_{a\gamma}}{f_a} a F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} + \frac{C_{af}}{f_a} \partial_\mu a \bar{\psi}_f \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi_f$$



exploited in most experiments

our focus

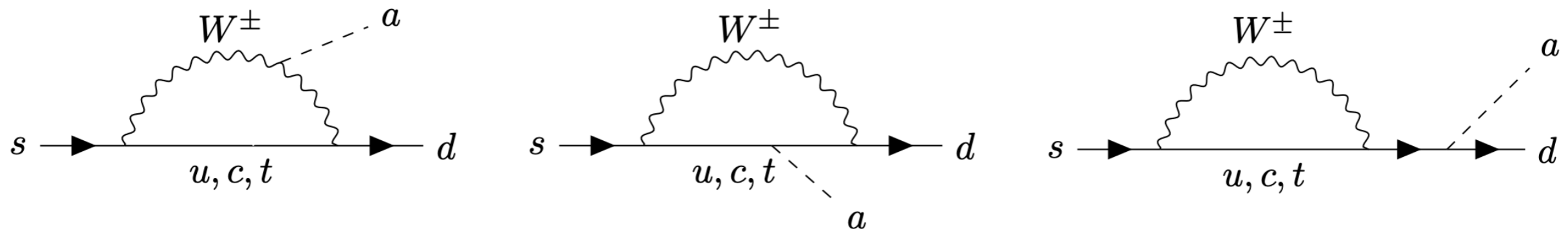
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Several ongoing & **proposed** experiments can probe different mass scales — **GeV range** ALPs are less explored

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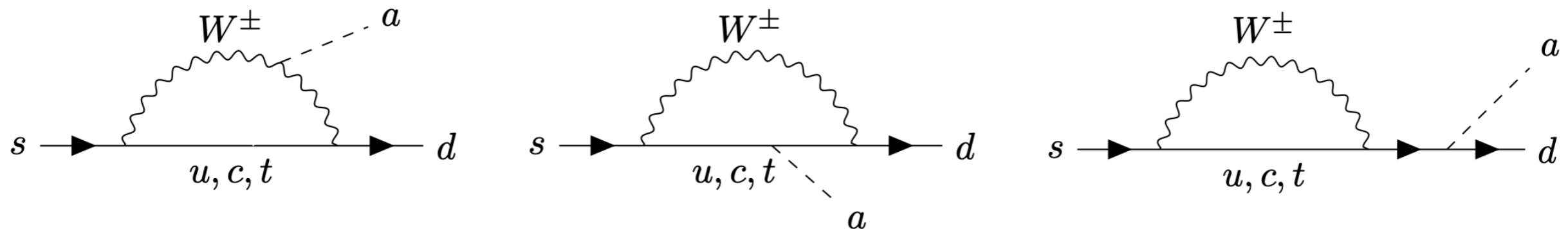


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- Non-perturbative effects via gluon coupling are missing
- Improved/new prediction for 2- & 3-body hadron decays  
with ALP in finalstate [\[Camalich et.al. PRD 102, 015023 \(2020\)\]](#)

# UV

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► Identify U(1) as Froggatt-Neilson

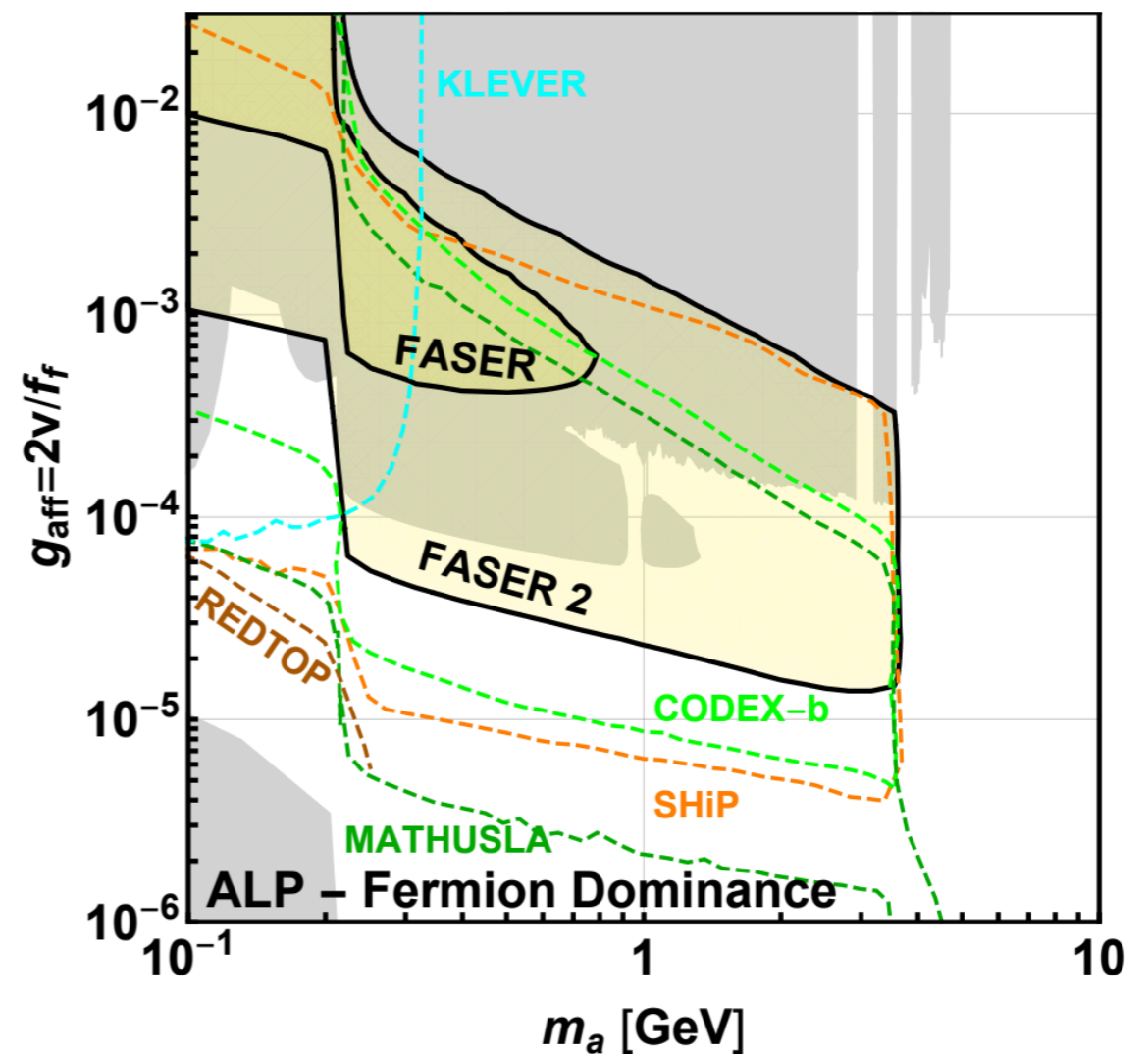
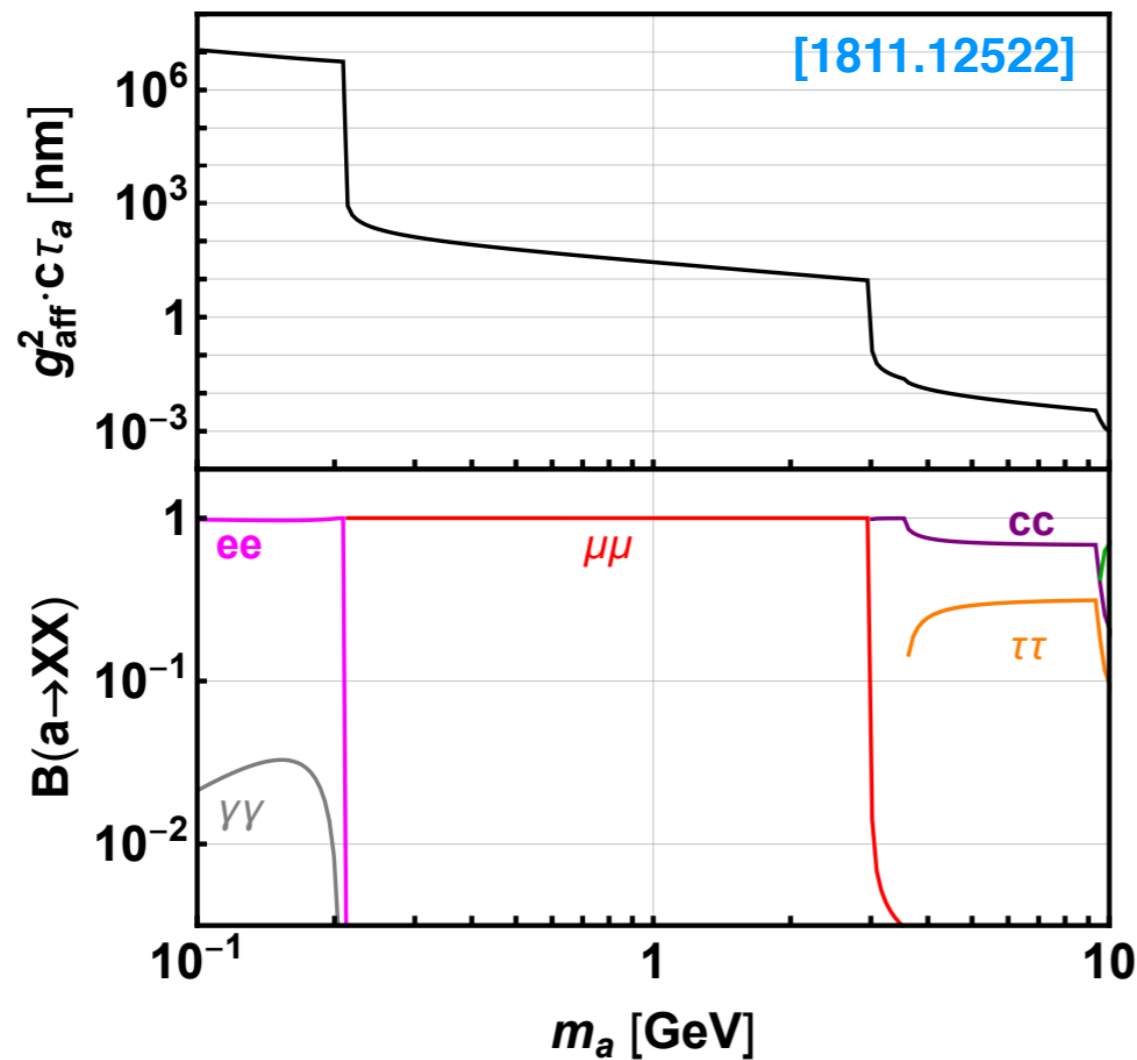
Axiflavoron models in PQ case  $U(1)_{\text{PQ}} \equiv U(1)_{\text{FN}}$  [\[Callibbi et.al. PRD 95 095009 \(2017\)\]](#)

Setup extended with ALP DM or ALP portal


# Collider

► Feebly interacting  $\longrightarrow$  long lifetime  $\longrightarrow$  displaced signature

Scope at long lived particle search experiments e.g.,  
MATHUSLA, CODEX-b, FASER, SHADOWS



# Strongly coupled dark sector

► Dark color group like  $SU(3)$   Dark meson/baryon

[G Kribs, A. Martin, [T. Tong](#) JHEP 08 (2019) 020]

joining as a postdoc in Siegen

New fermions charged under  $SU(N_D)$  interacts to SM sector via Higgs & below ‘dark confinement’ scale it is an EFT of dark pions

Collider signatures like  $pp \rightarrow \rho_D \rightarrow \pi_D \pi_D \quad \pi_D \rightarrow ff', Wh, Zh$

□ No study of DM analysis of relic, indirect detection etc.

*Thank you for your attention*