

Neutrino and Muon Physics at Forward Detectors at (HL-)LHC

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Physics Potential of Future Colliders

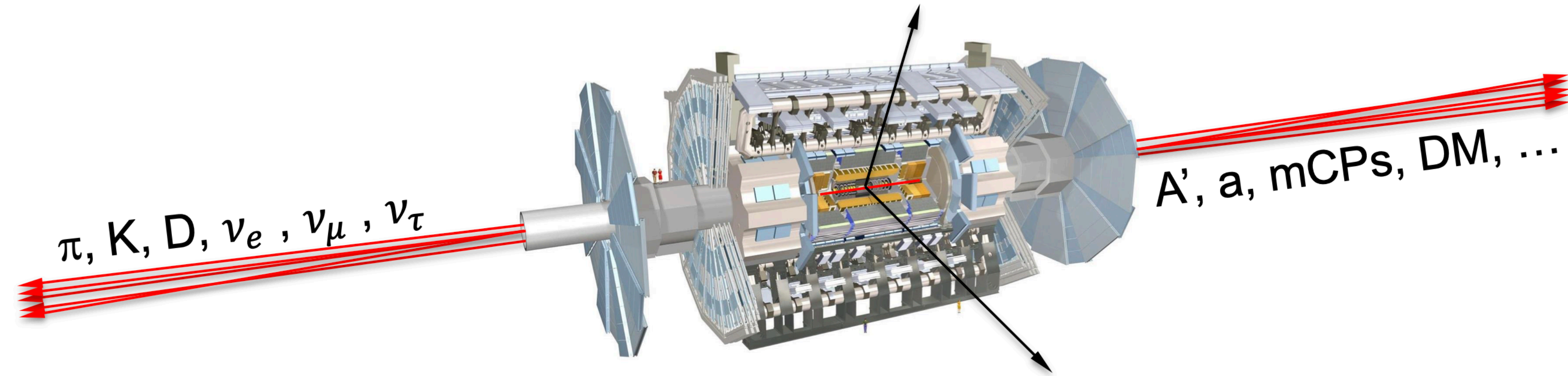
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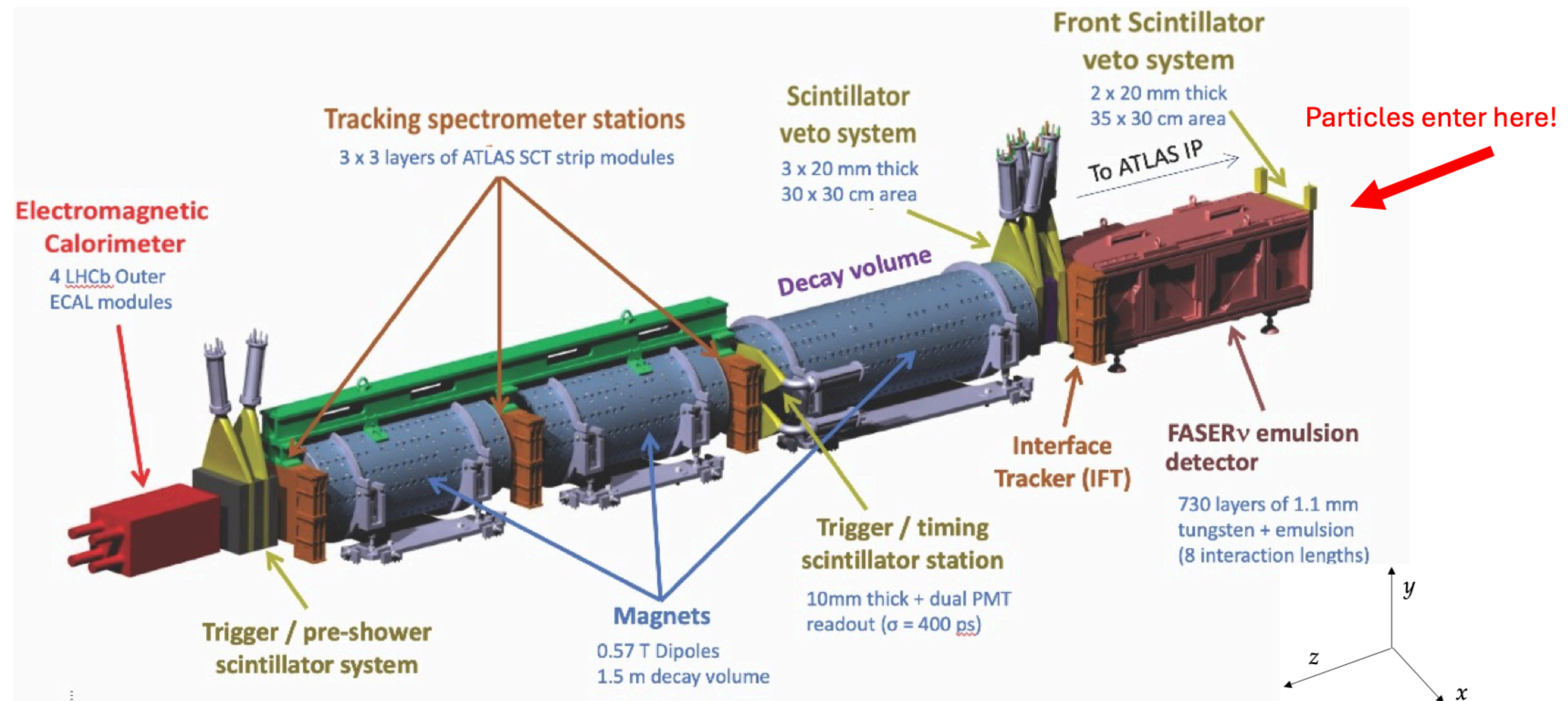
Forward Region at the LHC



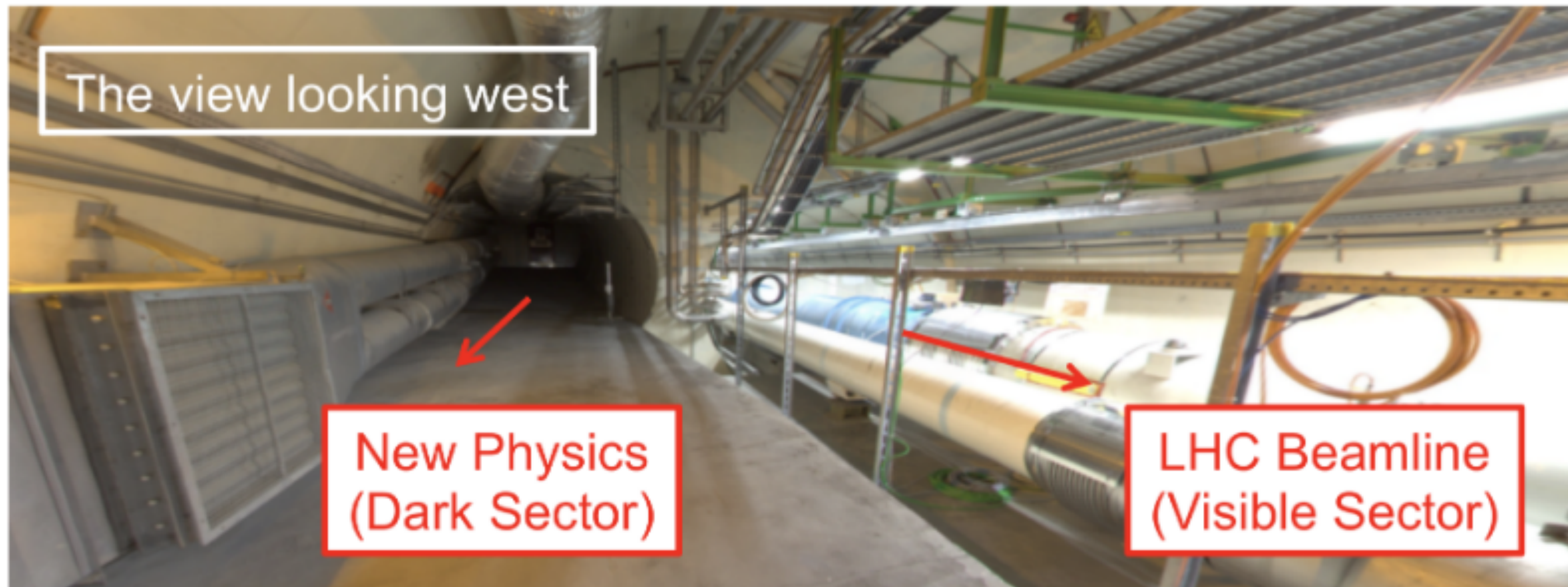
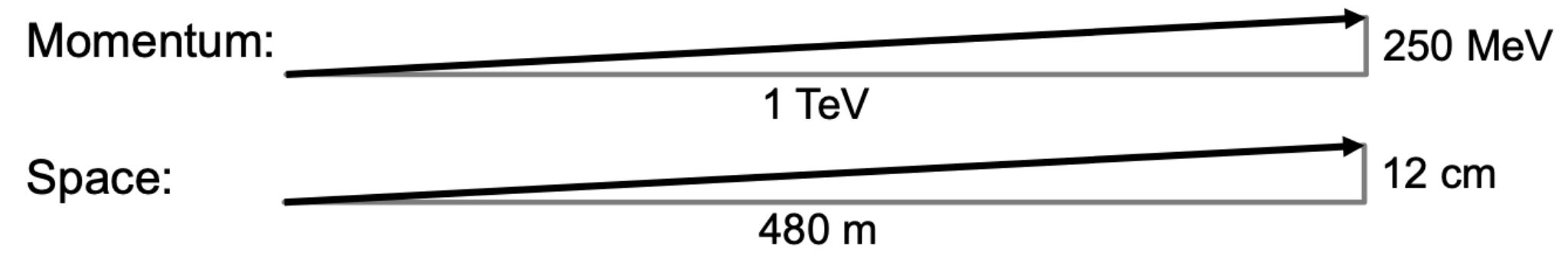
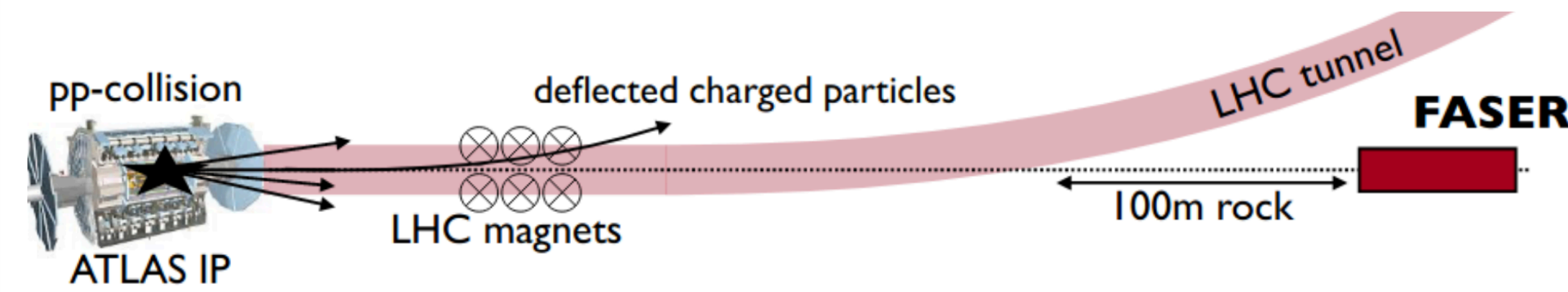
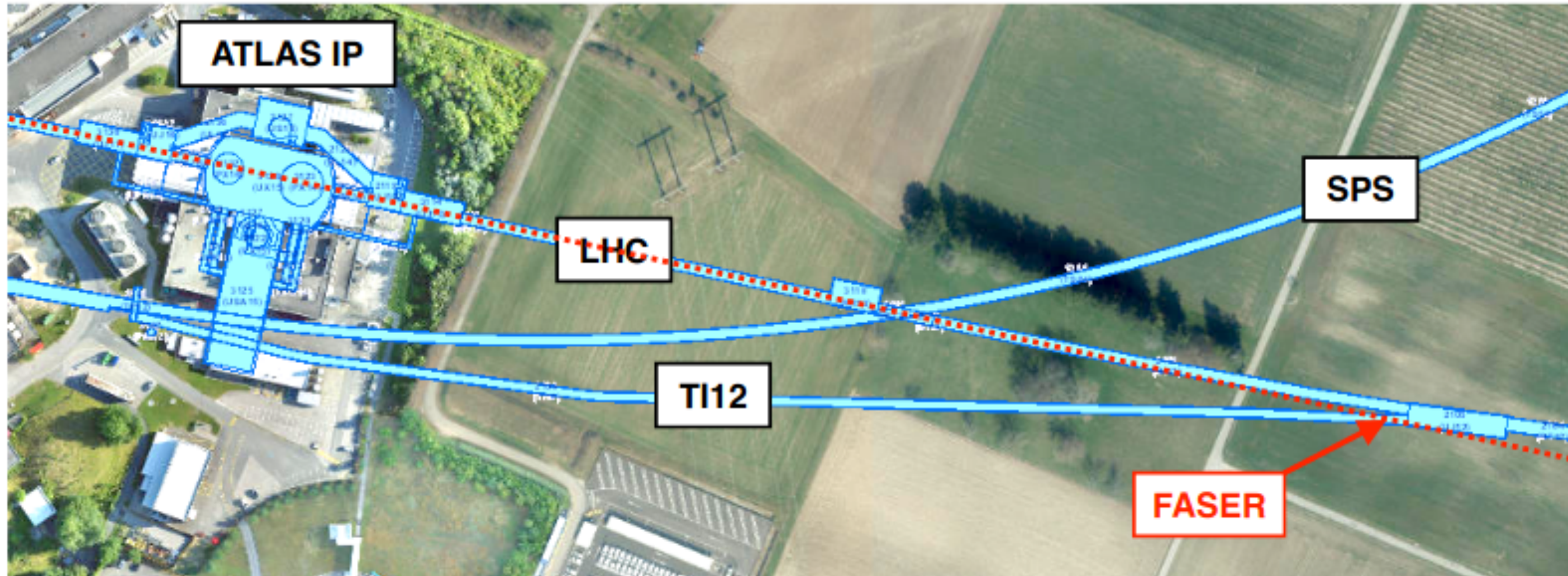
- pp collisions at the LHC produce an intense flux of particles in the forward direction
- These particles are light and weakly coupling:
 - SM (ν, μ, \dots) and BSM (ALPs, dark photon, DM, ...)
- Conventional transverse detectors will miss these particles

ForwArd Search Experiment(ν) - FASER(ν)

- FASER: 25cm x 25cm x 1.5m decay volume
 - 1708.09389 (first paper), 1811.10243 (LOI), 1812.09139
- FASER ν : 25cm x 25cm x 1m tungsten emulsion detector
 - 1908.02310, 2001.03073
- $\eta \gtrsim 8.5$ coverage.



Location for forward detectors at LHC



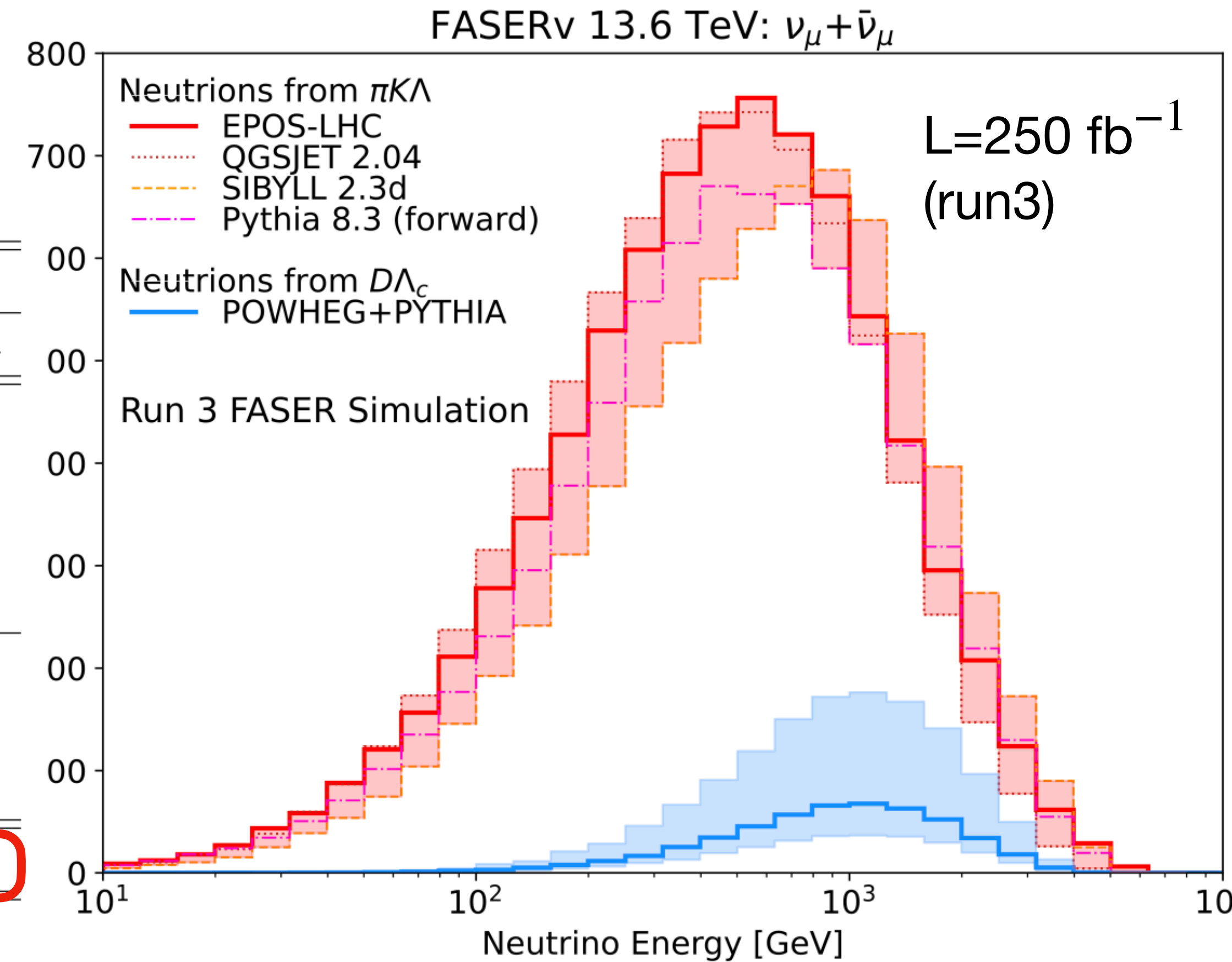
Neutrino Flux at FASER

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CC events



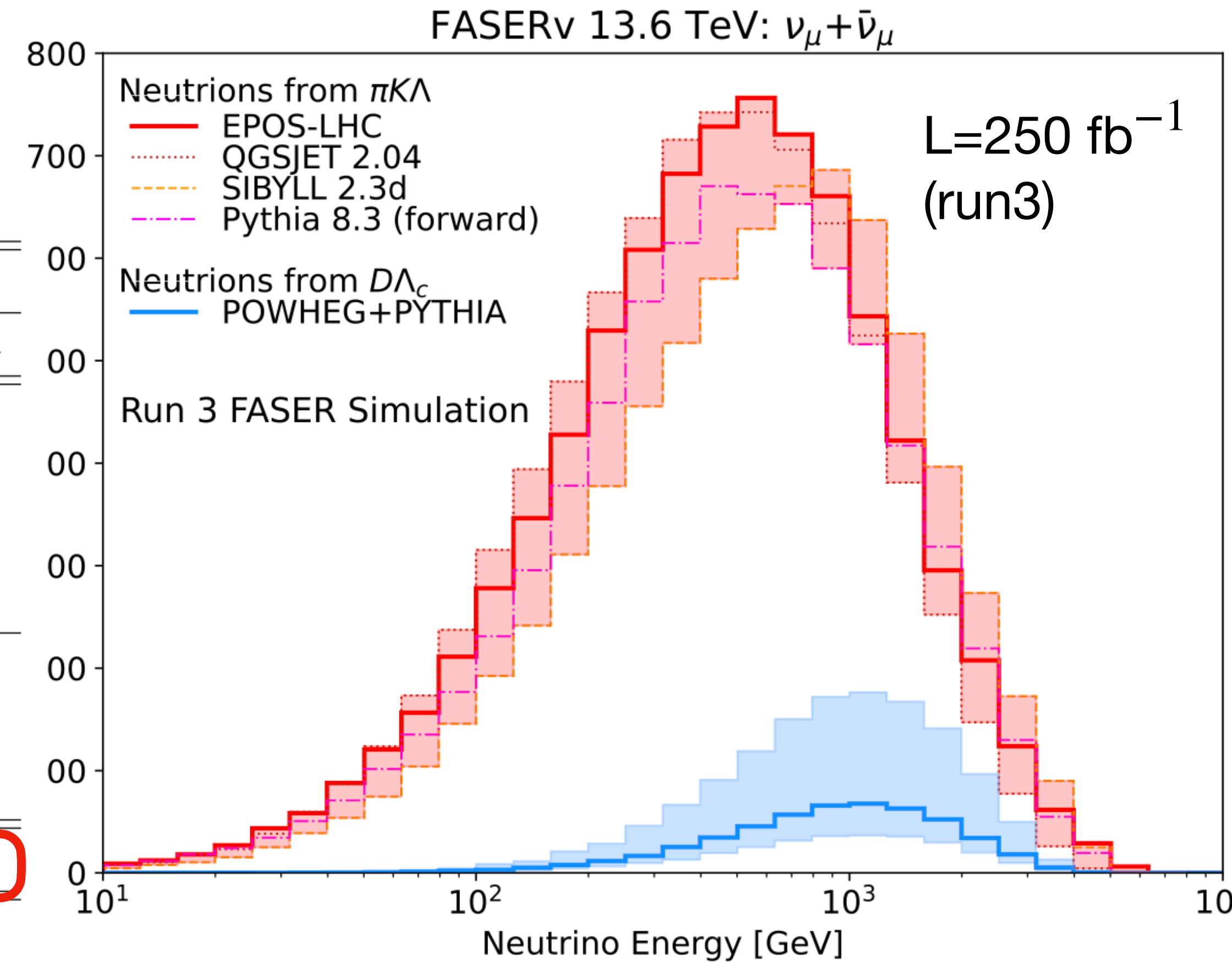
Neutrino Rate Predictions for FASER;
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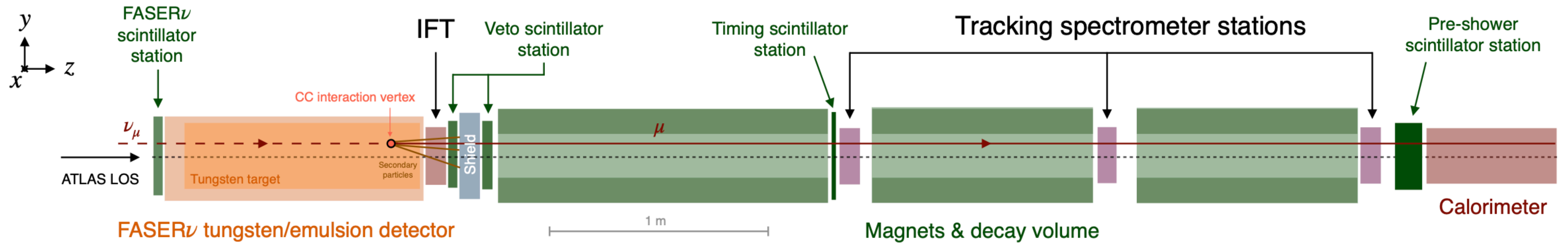
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Already many new exciting results!!!

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First Observation of Collider Neutrinos

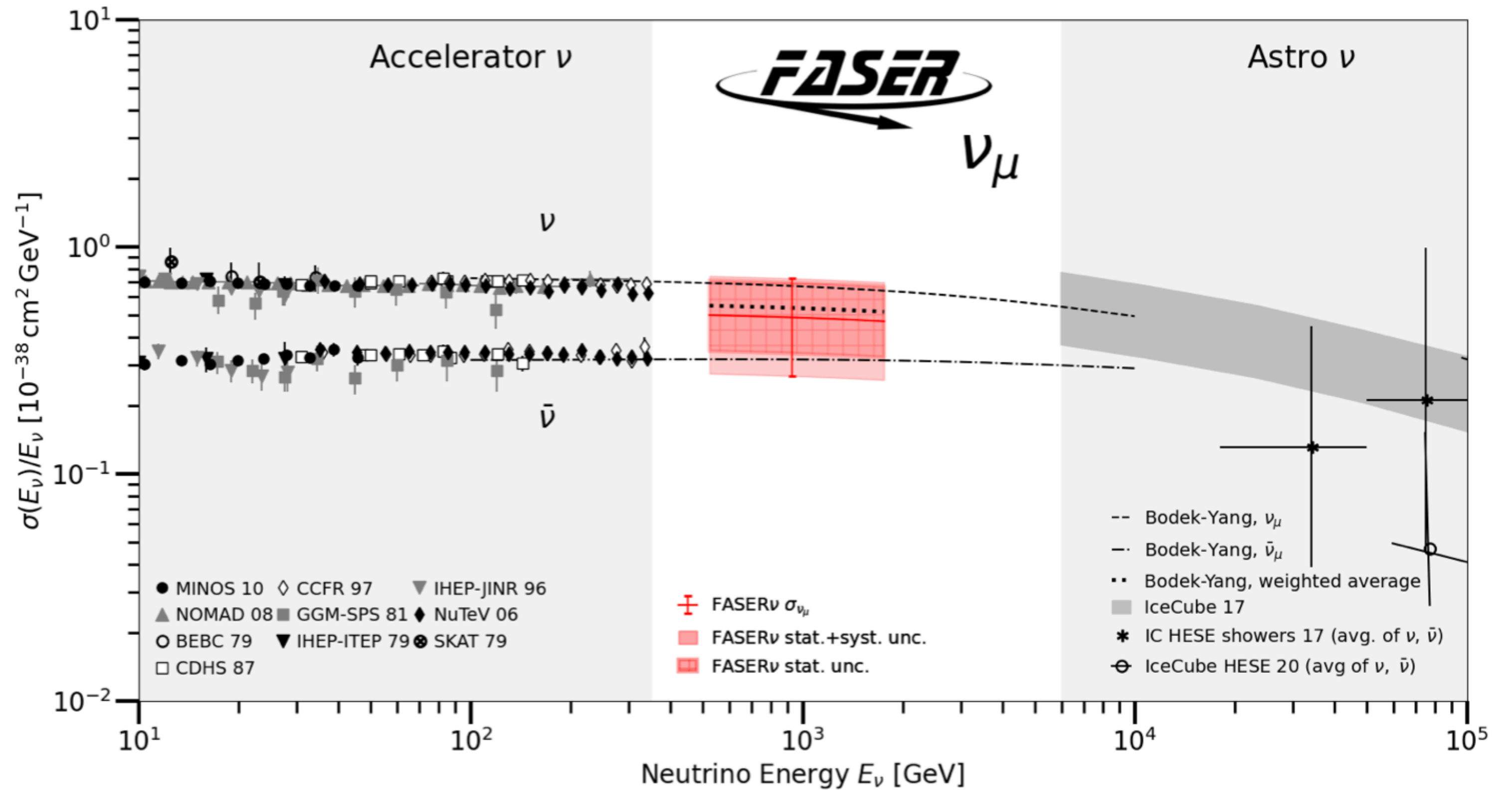
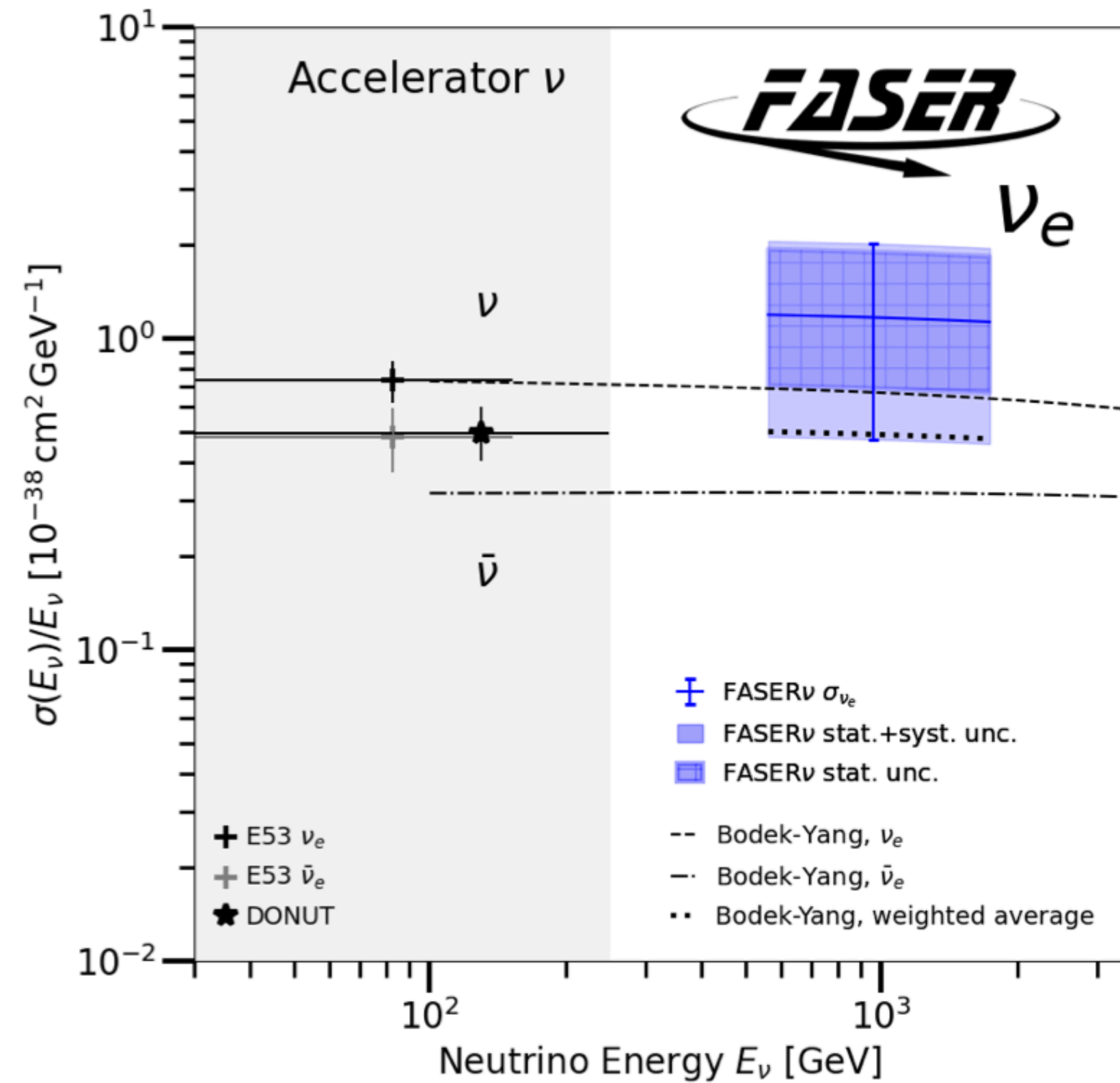


At FASER

**$\sim 150 \nu_\mu$ CC events with
 35.4 fb^{-1} of data.**

First Direct Observation of Collider Neutrinos with FASER at the LHC; 2303.14185

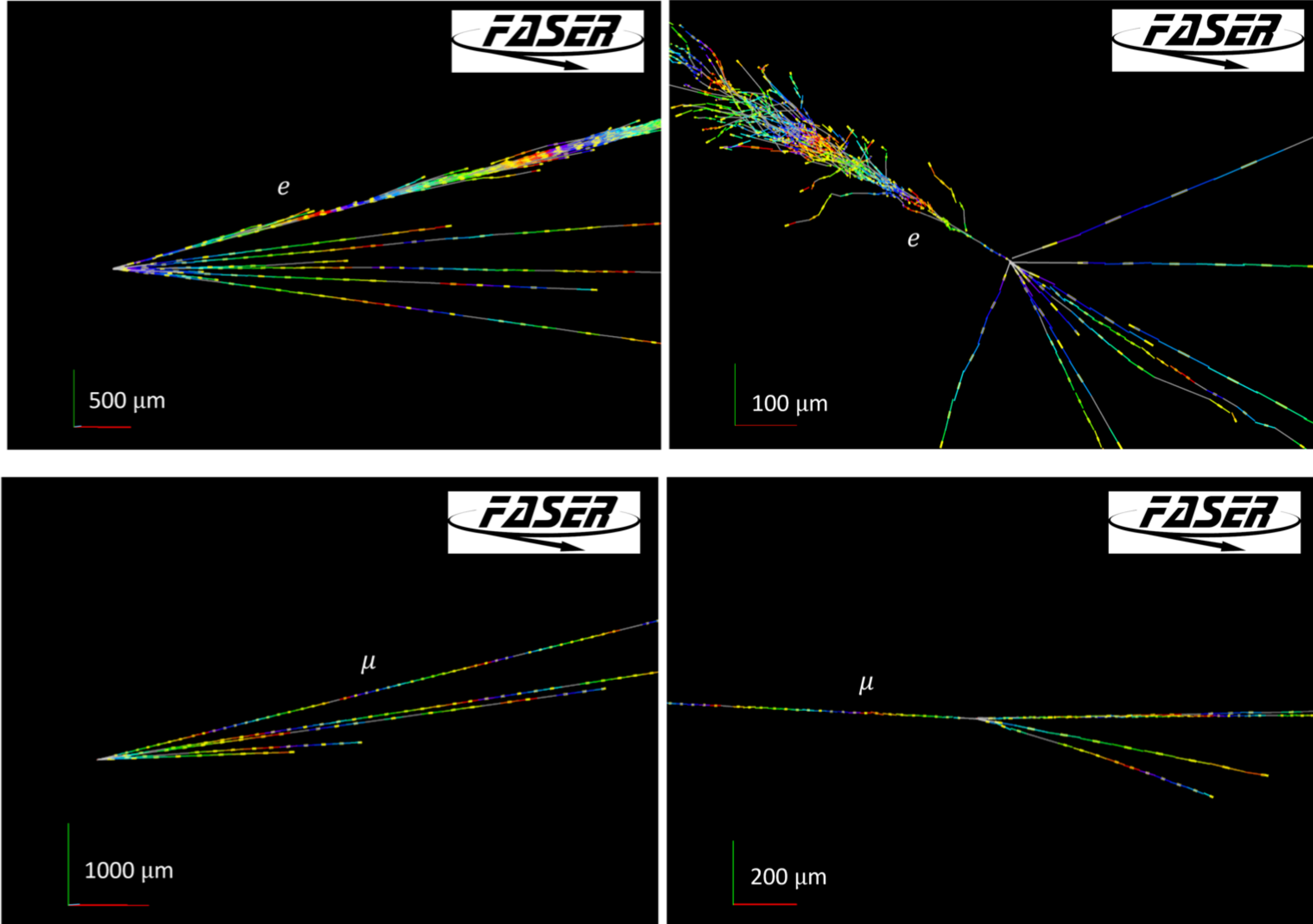
First Neutrino Cross-Section Measurements at LHC



4 ν_e and 8 ν_μ events with 9.5 fb^{-1} of data.

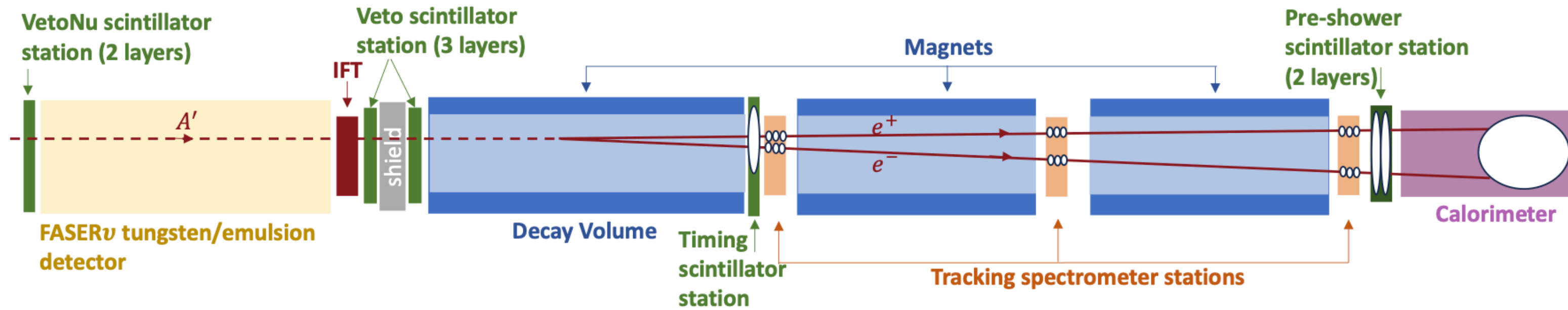
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ν_e and ν_μ events at FASER ν

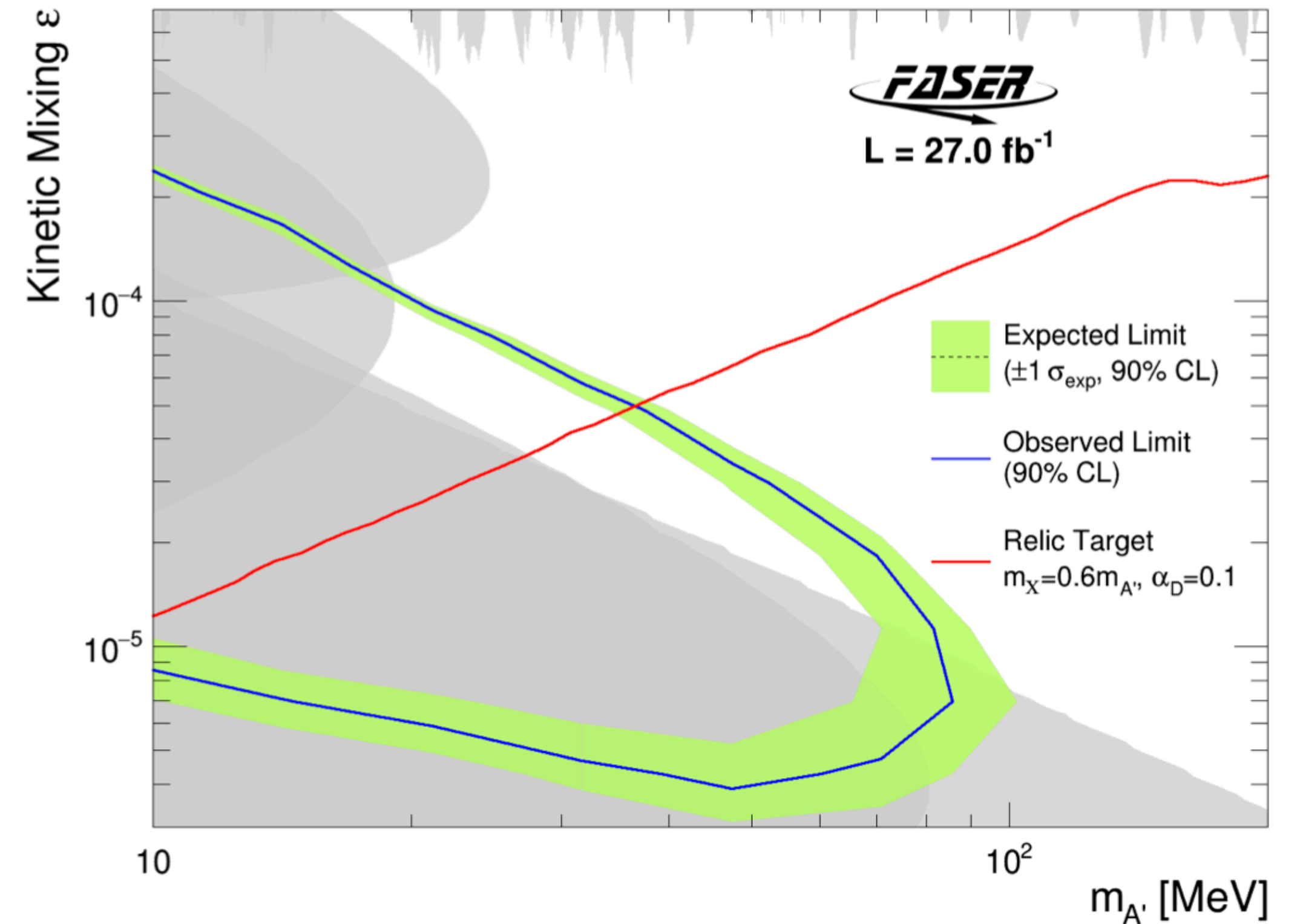
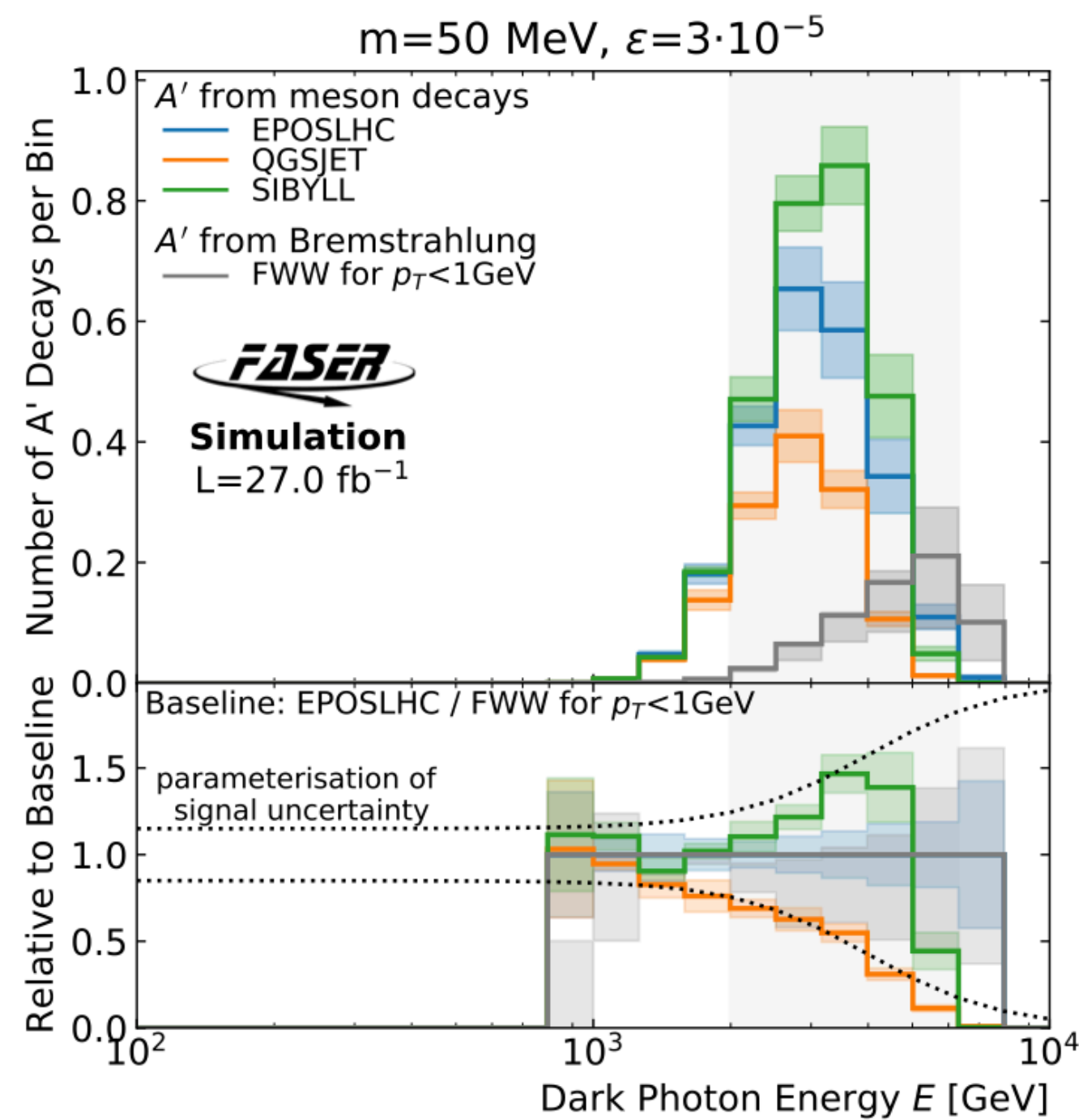


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Dark Photon Searches at FASER

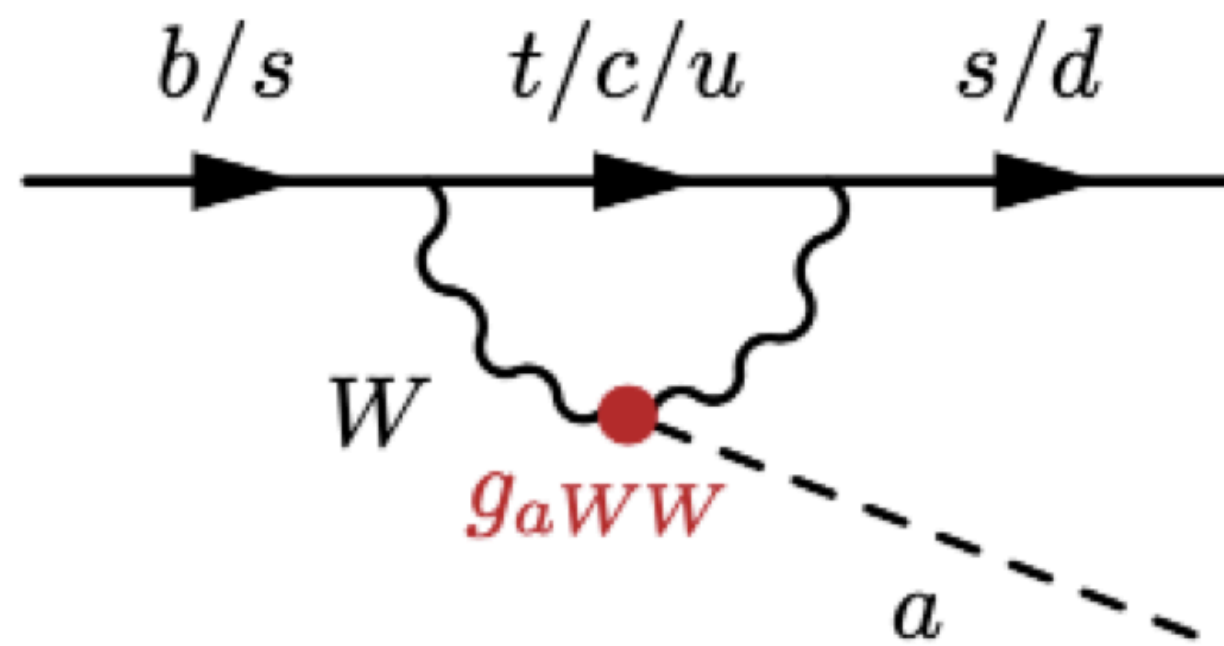


Search for Dark Photons with the FASER detector at the LHC;
2308.05587

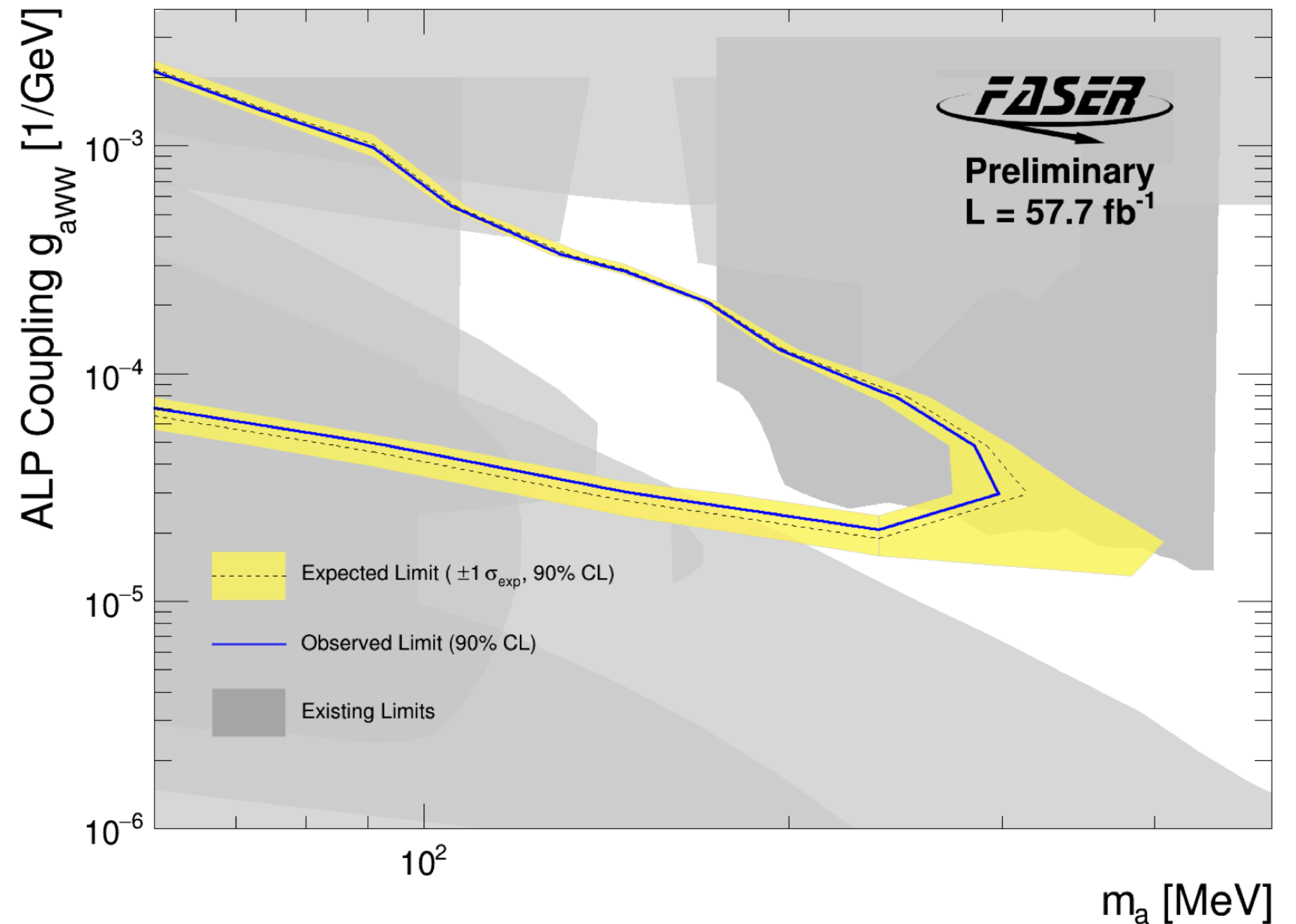


ALP Searches at FASER

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{2}m_a^2 a^2 - \frac{1}{4}g_{aWW} a W^{a,\mu\nu} \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^a$$



Search for Axion-Like Particles in Photonic Final States with the FASER Detector at the LHC; [Conf note](#)



Proposed Expansion for HL-LHC: Forward Physics Facility

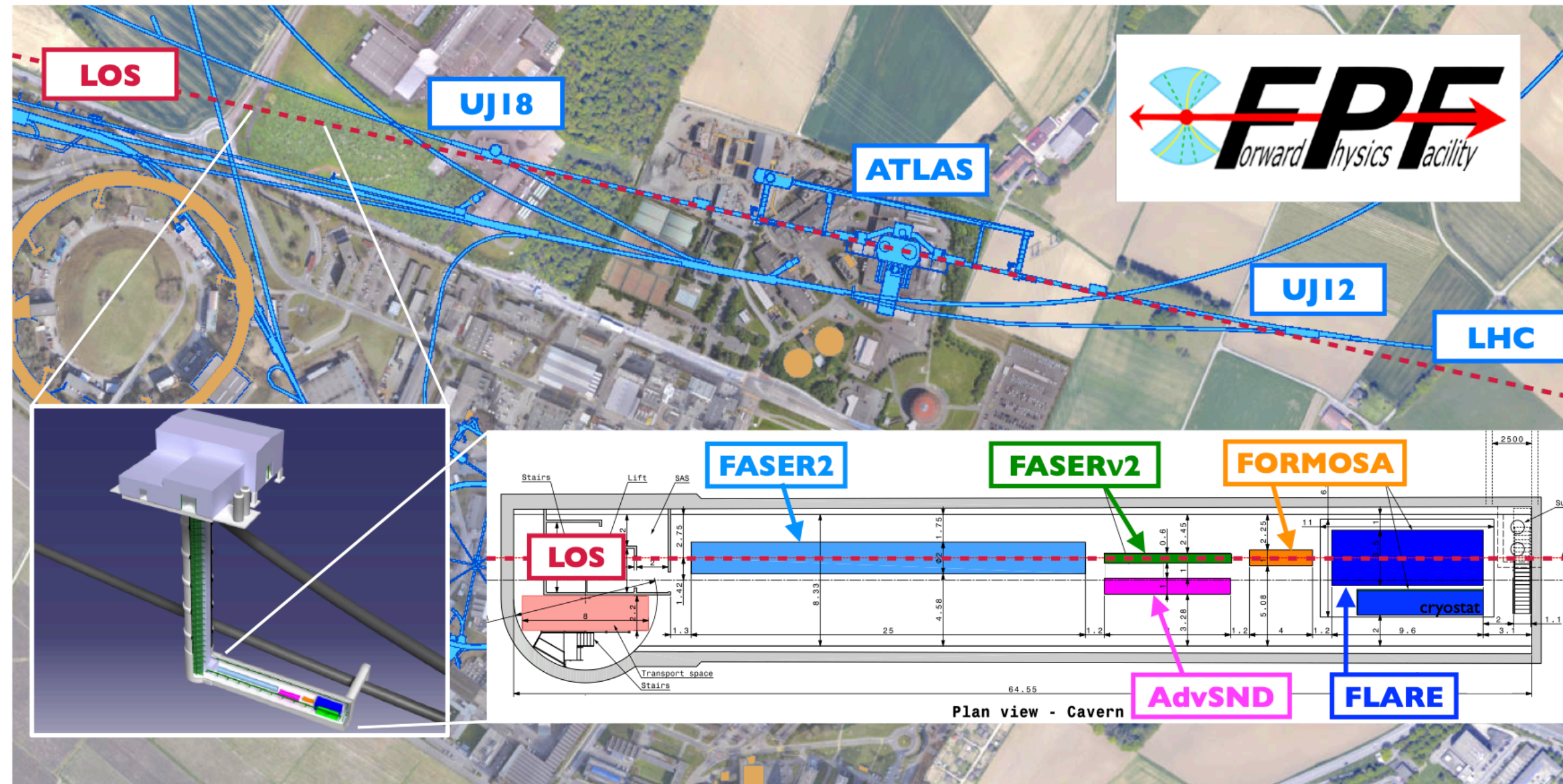


Figure 1: The preferred location for the Forward Physics Facility, a proposed new cavern for the High-Luminosity era. The FPF will be 65 m-long and 8.5 m-wide and will house a diverse set of experiments to explore the many physics opportunities in the far-forward region.

FPF is proposed to house 5 detectors in the forward direction to study SM and BSM physics.

The Forward Physics Facility: Sites, Experiments, and Physics Potential; 2109.10905

The Forward Physics Facility at the High-Luminosity LHC; 2203.05090

Forward Physics Facility

FASER2

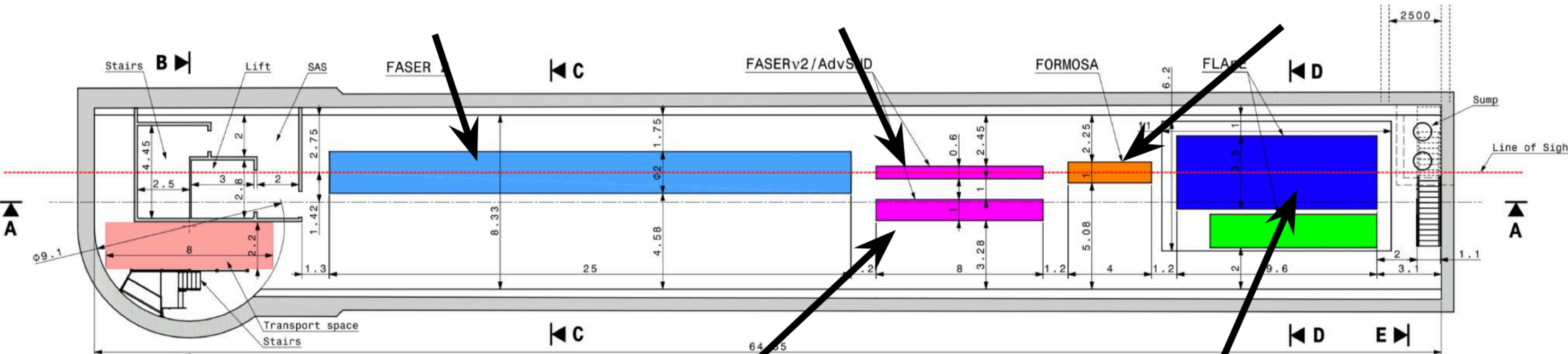
magnetized spectrometer
for BSM searches

FASERv2

emulsion-based
neutrino detector

FORMOSA

plastic scintillator array
for BSM searches



Plan view - Cavern
1:100

AdvSND

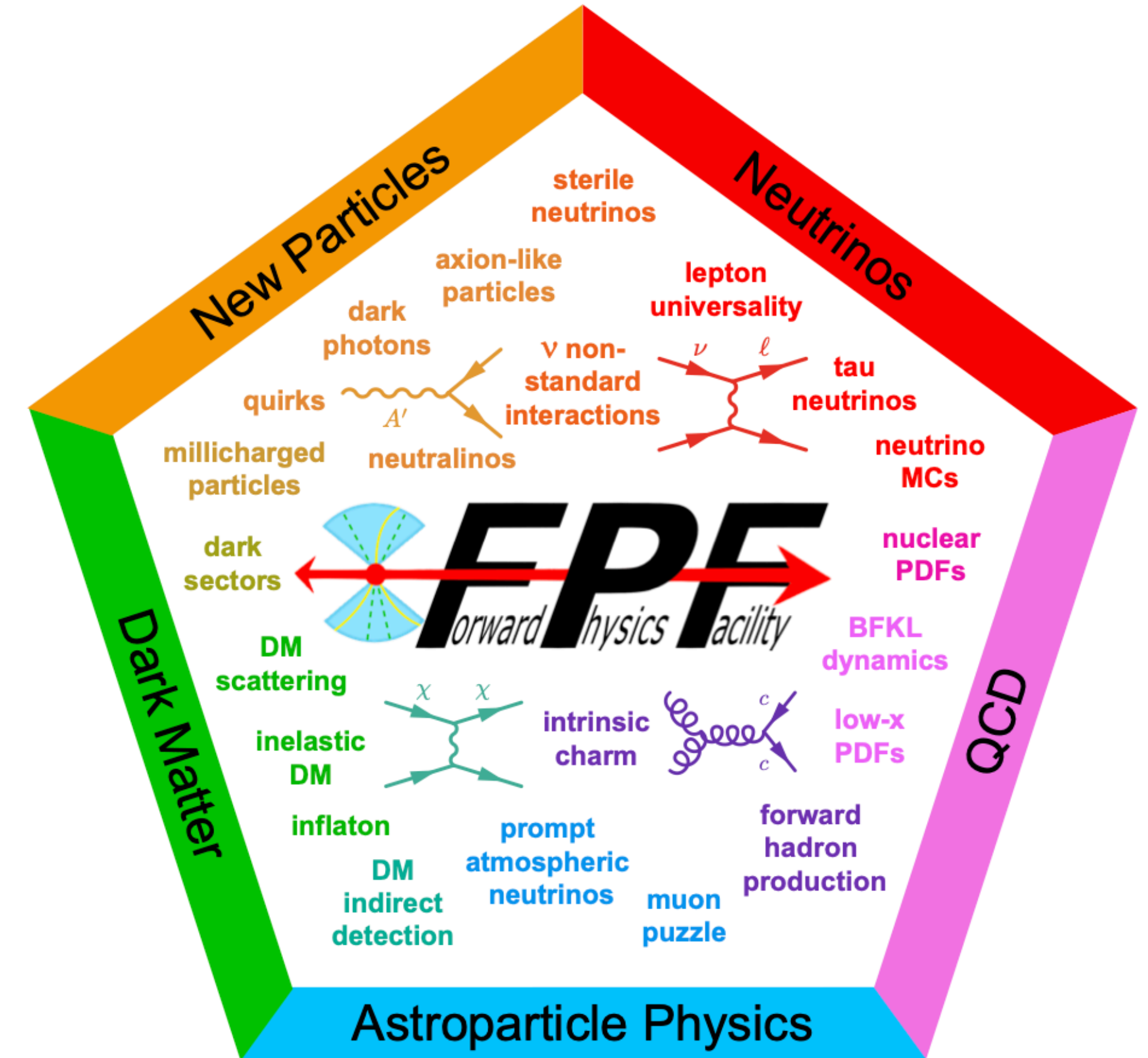
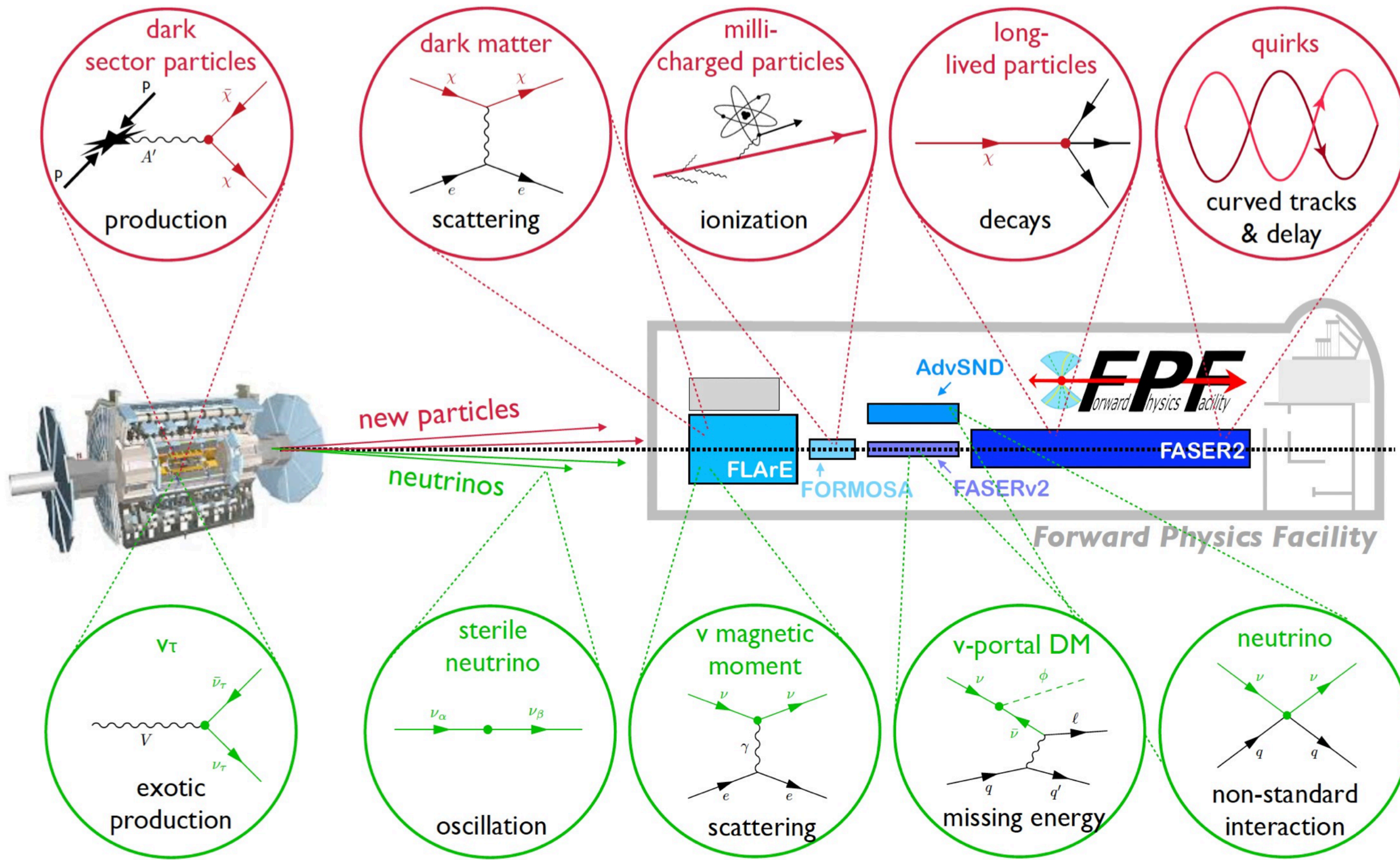
electronic
neutrino detector

FLArE

LAr based
neutrino detector

The Forward Physics Facility: Sites, Experiments, and Physics Potential; 2109.10905
 The Forward Physics Facility at the High-Luminosity LHC; 2203.05090

Many Physics opportunities at FPF



Some Work in the Forward Direction

- **Neutrino Physics**
- **Muon Physics**

All these neutrinos deserve some BSM attention too!!!

And also the muons, they are not just backgrounds!!!

Neutrino Electromagnetic (EM) Properties

- ν s have zero electric charge and no tree-level EM interactions.

- They can arise at loop level or via BSM effects.

- $\nu_f(p_f) j_{\nu, \text{EM}}^\mu \nu_i(p_i) = \bar{u}_f(p_f) \Lambda_{fi}^\mu(q) u_i(p_i)$

- In the ultra-relativistic limit, where at low- q^2 , it reduces to

- $\Lambda_{fi}^\mu(q) = \gamma^\mu (Q_{fi} - \frac{q^2}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle_{fi}) - i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu \mu_{fi}$

Carlo Giunti, Alexander Studenikin;
1403.6344

Neutrino Magnetic Moment (NMM)

Neutrino millicharge (NMM)

Neutrino Charge Radius (NCR)

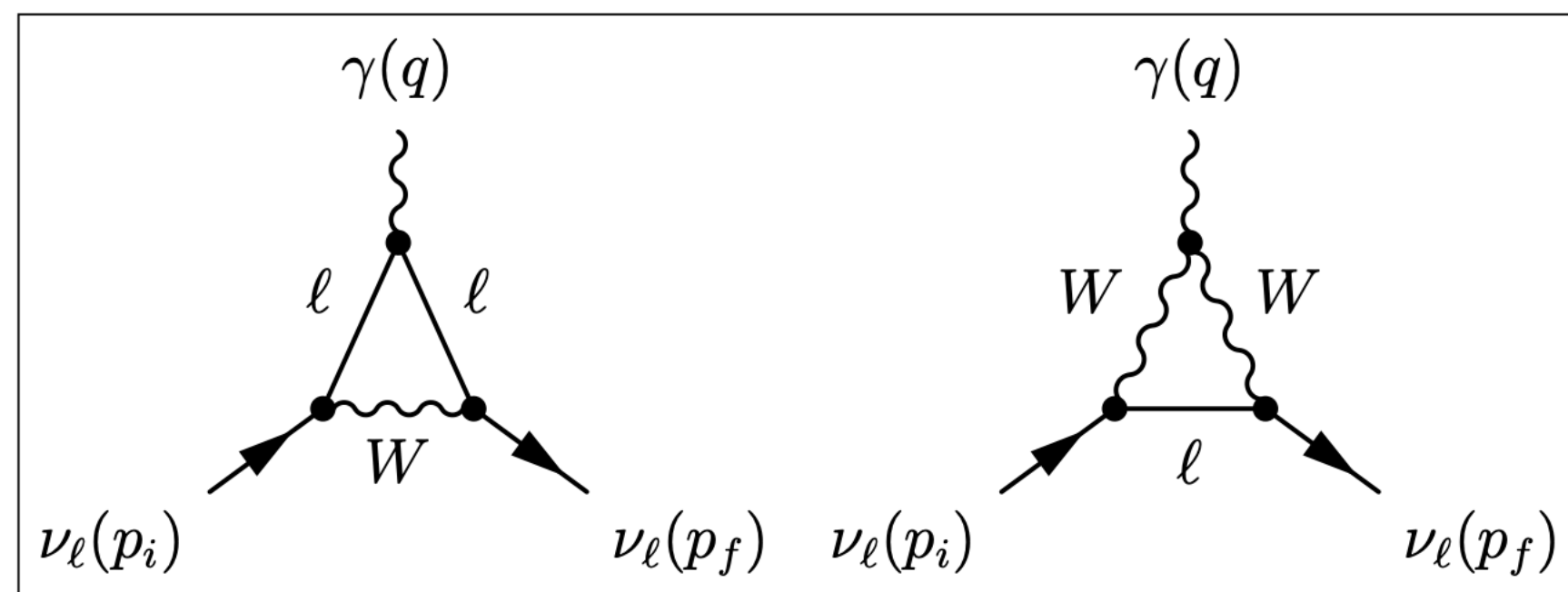
Neutrino Electromagnetic (EM) Properties

- **Non-zero neutrino masses implies non-zero neutrino magnetic moment,**

$$\mu_\nu^D \sim 10^{-19} \left(\frac{m_\nu}{1\text{eV}} \right) \mu_B, \text{ and } \mu_\nu^M \sim 10^{-23} \mu_B.$$

- **Measuring NMM this can shed light on the nature of neutrinos; Dirac – diagonal and transition, Majorana - transition NMM.**

- **NCR is generated at loop level within the SM, $\langle r_{\nu_\ell}^2 \rangle_{\text{SM}} = \frac{G_f}{4\sqrt{2}\pi^2} \left[3 - 2 \log \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_W^2} \right]$.**

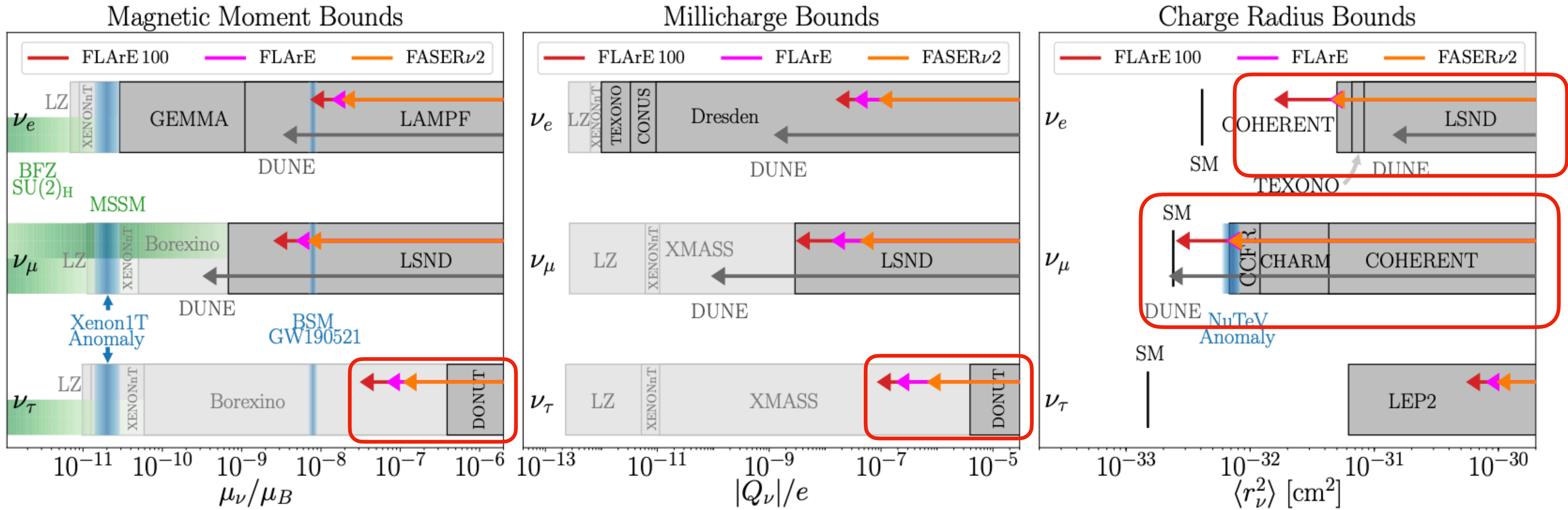


$$\langle r_{\nu_e}^2 \rangle_{\text{SM}} = 4.1 \times 10^{-33} \text{cm}^2$$

$$\langle r_{\nu_\mu}^2 \rangle_{\text{SM}} = 2.4 \times 10^{-33} \text{cm}^2$$

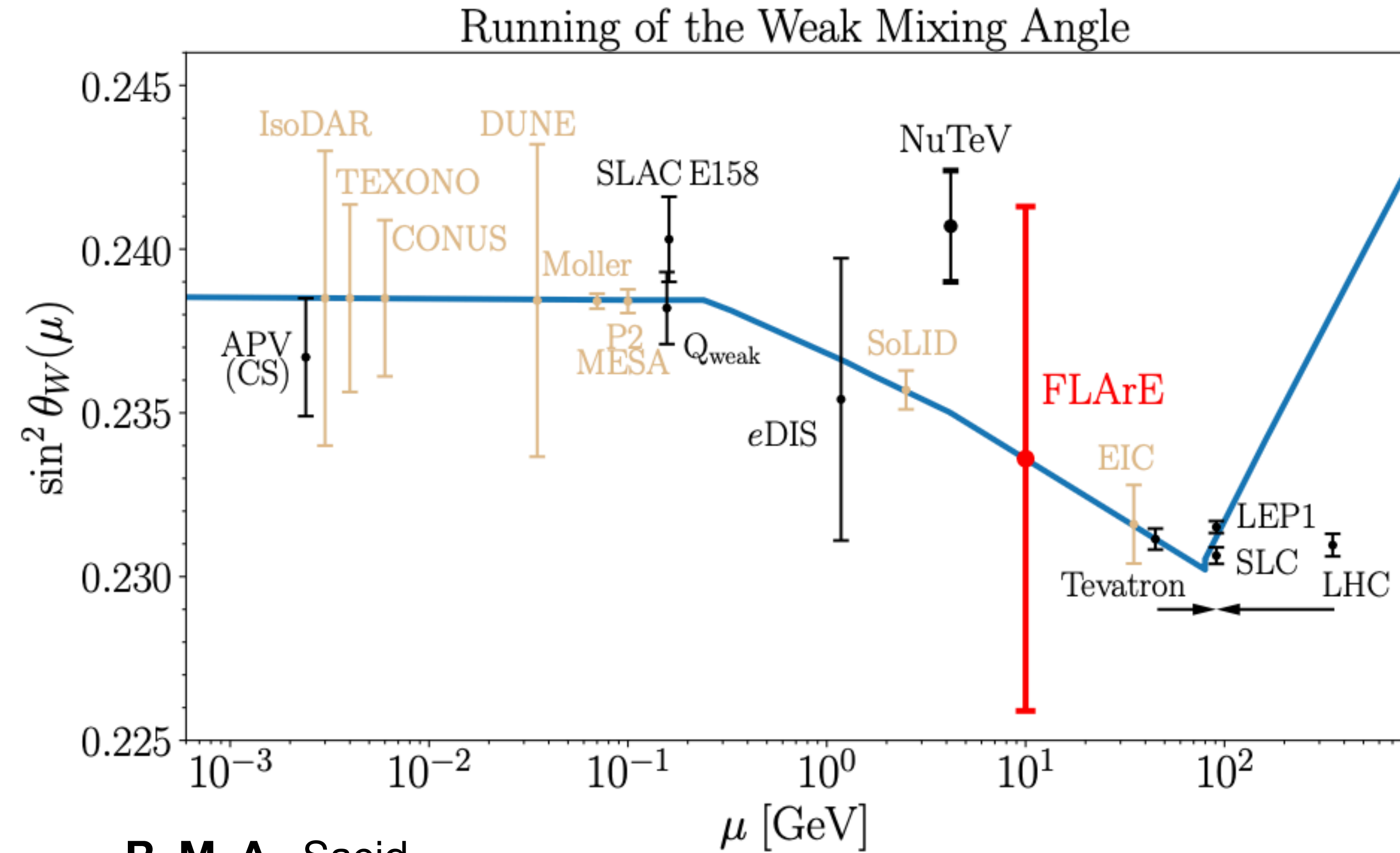
$$\langle r_{\nu_\tau}^2 \rangle_{\text{SM}} = 1.5 \times 10^{-33} \text{cm}^2$$

Results



R. M. A., Saeid
 Foroughi-Abari, Felix
 Kling, Yu-Dai Tsai;
 2301.10254

Weak Mixing Angle at FPF



- If the SM value shifts, $\sin^2 \theta_W \rightarrow \sin^2 \theta_W + \Delta \sin^2 \theta_W$ then $g_V^q \rightarrow g_V^q - 2Q_q \Delta \sin^2 \theta_W$.
- Modifies NC DIS similarly to NCR.

$\sin^2 \theta_W$ can be measured to 3% precision at FLArE10.

R. M. A., Saeid
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2301.10254

Muons at Forward Detectors

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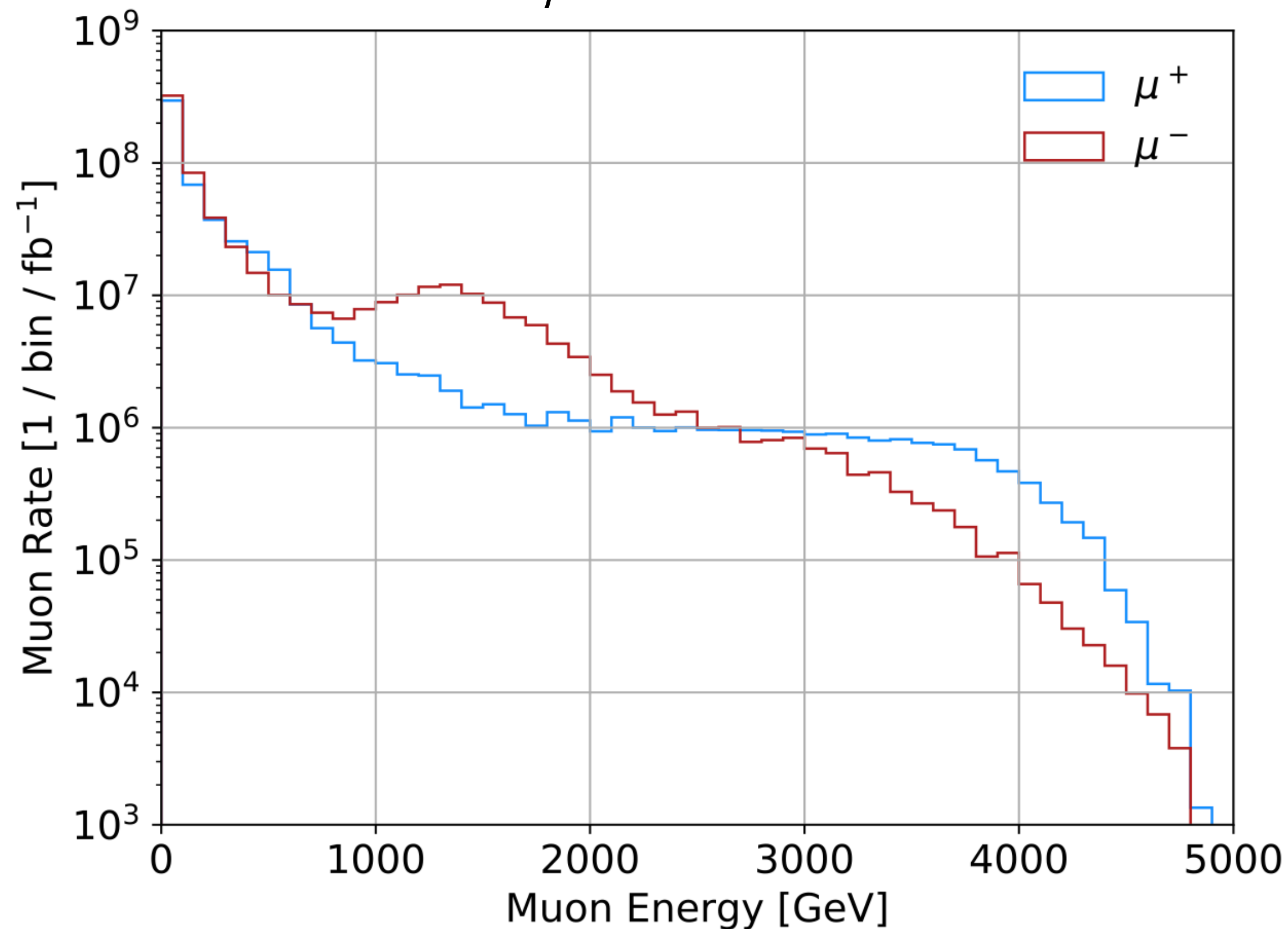
$$\nu_\tau: D_s \longrightarrow \tau \nu_\tau$$

But what about all these muons?

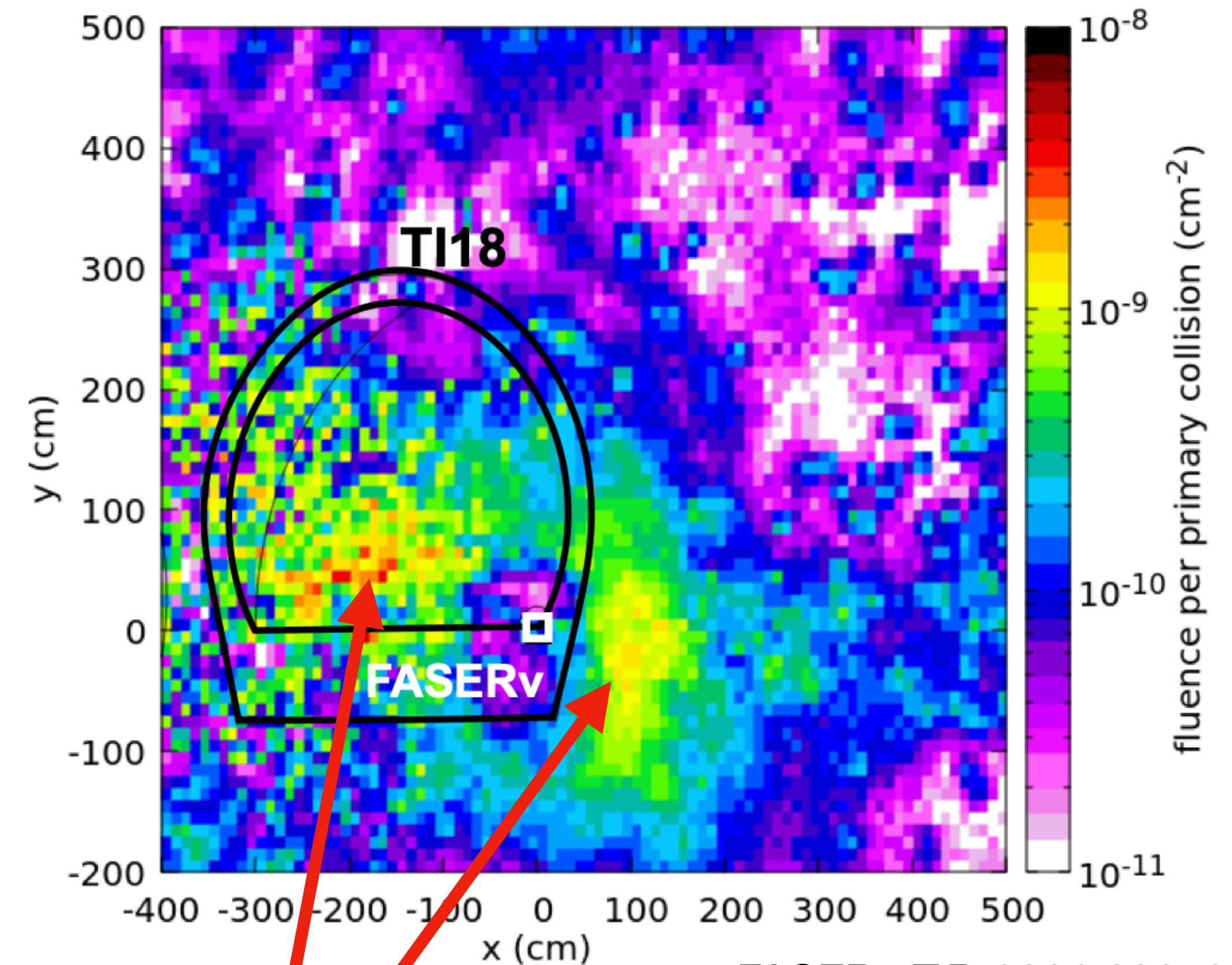
Are they just backgrounds or can we do some physics with them?

One Scientist's Background is Another's Signal

$N_{\mu} \sim 2 * 10^9$, through FASER during Run3!!!



First neutrino interaction candidates at the LHC; 2105.06197



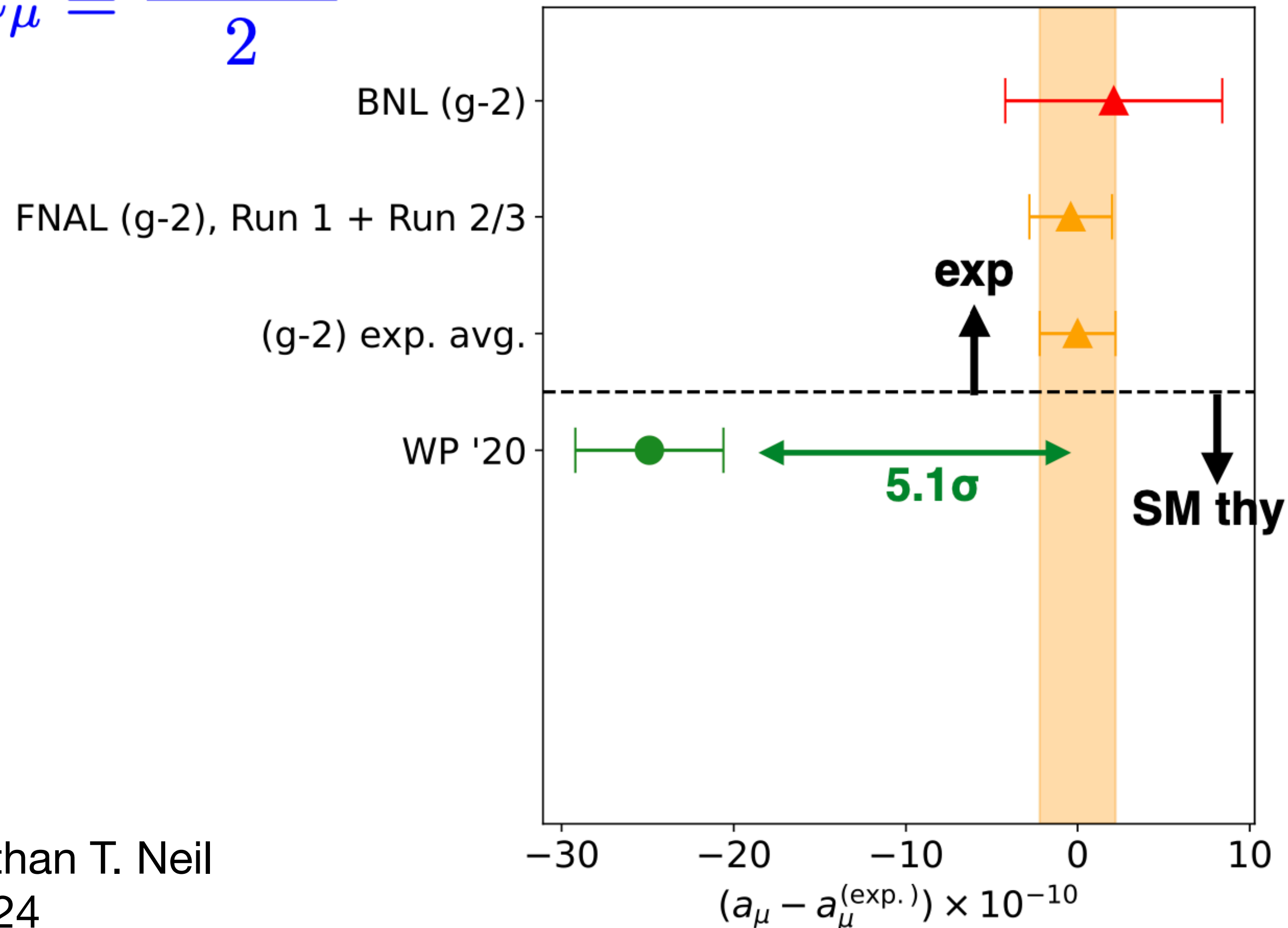
FASERν T.P, 2001.03073

FASER intentionally avoids the maximum flux of muons

Muon (g-2) puzzle

$$a_\mu \equiv \frac{g_\mu - 2}{2}$$

(Latest experiment: FNAL Muon (g-2) Collaboration, PRL **131**, 161802 (2023); arXiv:2308.06230)
(WP '20: T. Aoyama et al (Muon (g-2) Theory Initiative), arXiv:2006.04822)



- Latest FNAL (g-2) results in $\sim 5\sigma$ tension with “SM theory” prediction from Theory Initiative whitepaper!

Simple model with a muonphilic scalar

- A SM singlet scalar, S , that couples only to the muons.

- $\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\nu S)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_S^2 S^2 - g_S S \bar{\mu} \mu$

- Contribution to $\Delta a_\mu = (g - 2)_\mu / 2$ is given by

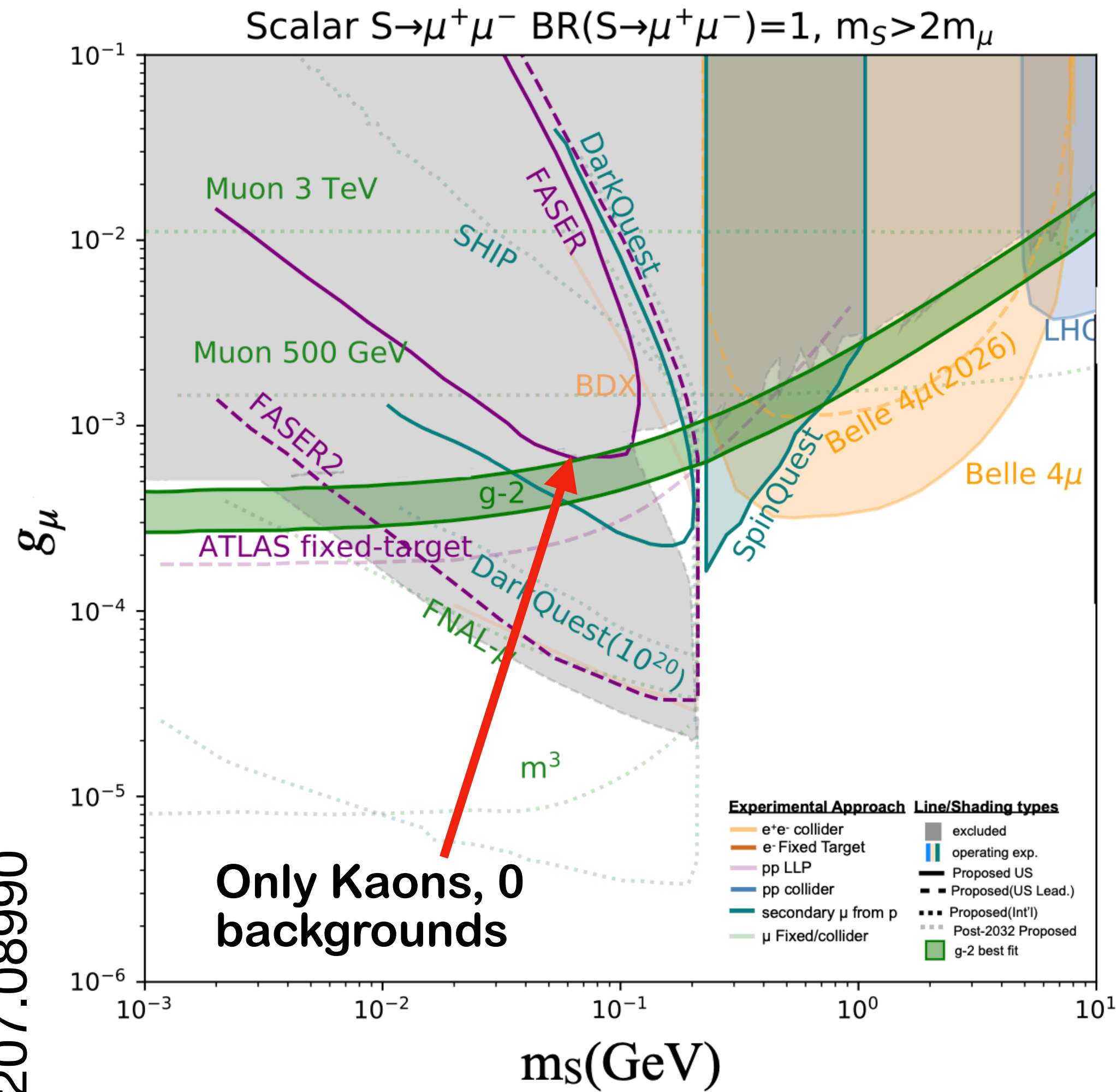
$$\Delta a_\mu = \frac{g_\mu^2}{8\pi^2} \int_0^1 dz \frac{(1-z)^2(1+z)}{(1-z)^2 + z(m_S/m_\mu)^2}$$

Chien-Yi Chen, Maxim Pospelov, Yi-Ming Zhong; 1701.07437

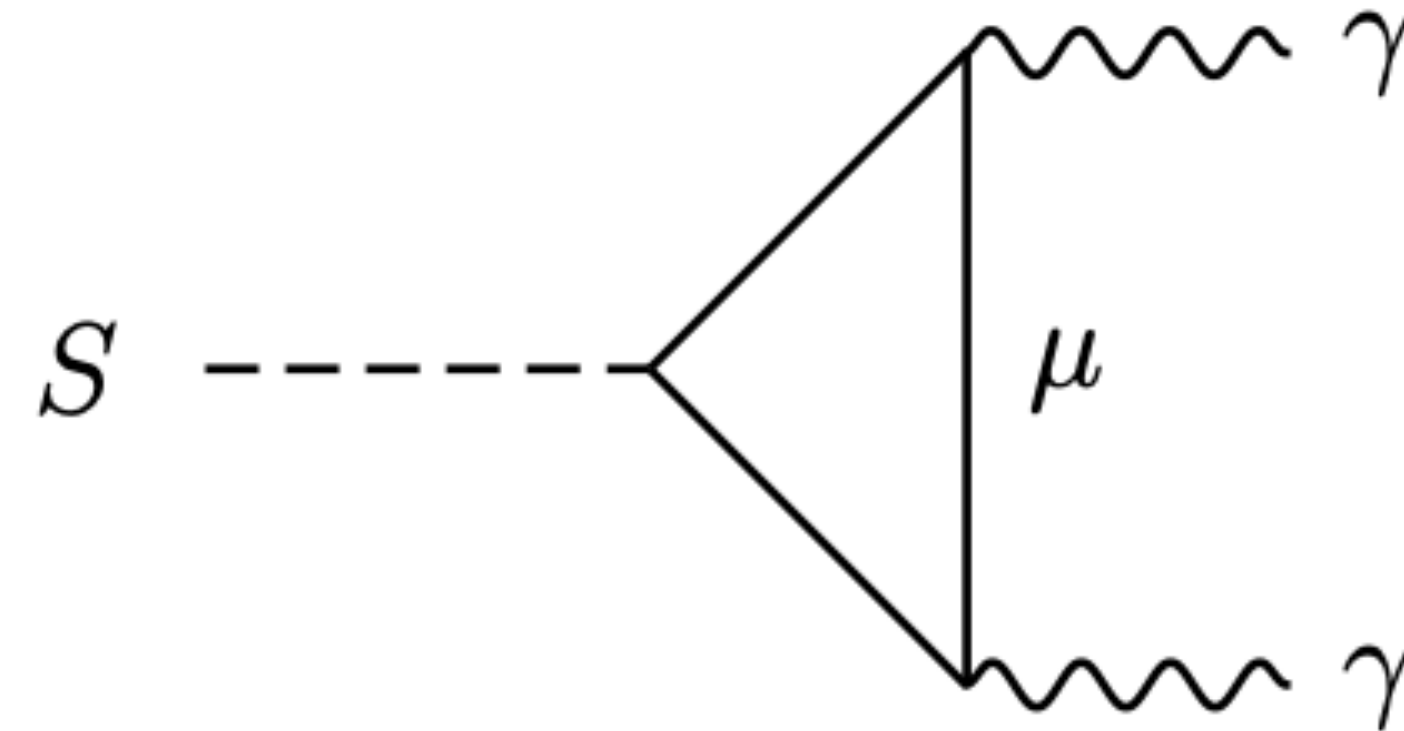
Rodolfo Capdevilla, David Curtin, Yonatan Kahn, Gordan Krnjaic; 2112.08377

Simple model with a muonphilic scalar (Cont.)

Snowmass White Paper: New flavors and rich structures in dark sectors
 Philip Harris, Philip Schuster, Jure Zupan;
 2207.08990



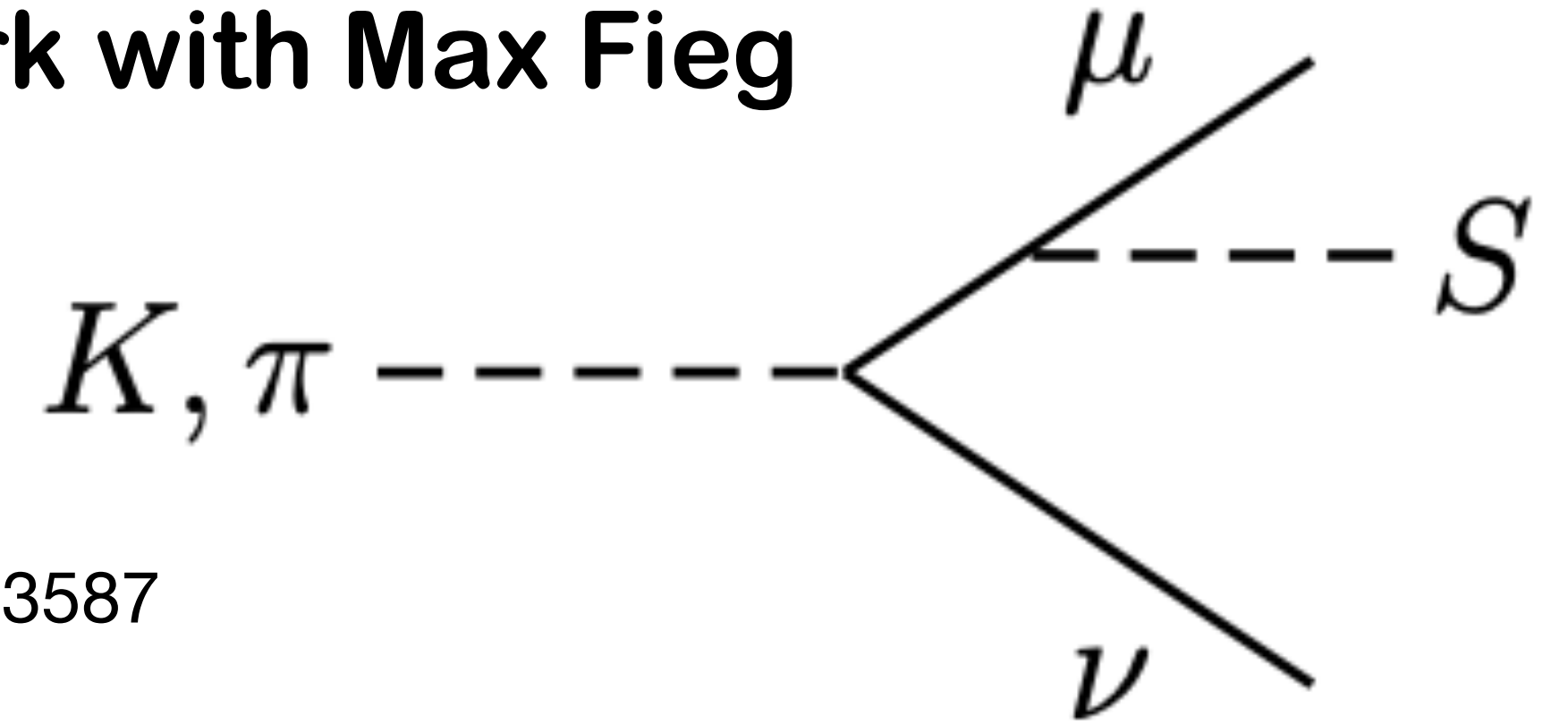
- **Current constraints miss a small region near $m_S \lesssim 2 * m_\mu$.**
- **For $m_S \lesssim 2 * m_\mu$, S decays to 2 photons.**



See also,
 Brian Batell, Ayres Freitas, Ahmed Ismail, David McKeen;
 1712.10022

Production from 3 body decays near ATLAS IP

Work with Max Fieg



- **Scalar decays via W** Carl E. Carlson, Benjamin C. Rislow; 1206.3587

$$\frac{d\text{BR}(K \rightarrow \mu\nu S)}{dE_S dQ^2} = \frac{m_K y^2 \times \text{BR}(K \rightarrow \mu\nu)}{8\pi^2 m_\mu^2 (m_K^2 - m_\mu^2)^2 (Q^2 - m_\mu^2)^2} \times \left((m_K^2 - 2m_K E_S + Q^2) Q^2 (Q^2 - m_\mu^2) - (Q^4 - m_\mu^2 m_K^2) (Q^2 + m_\mu^2 - m_S^2) + 2m_\mu^2 Q^2 (m_K^2 - Q^2) \right)$$

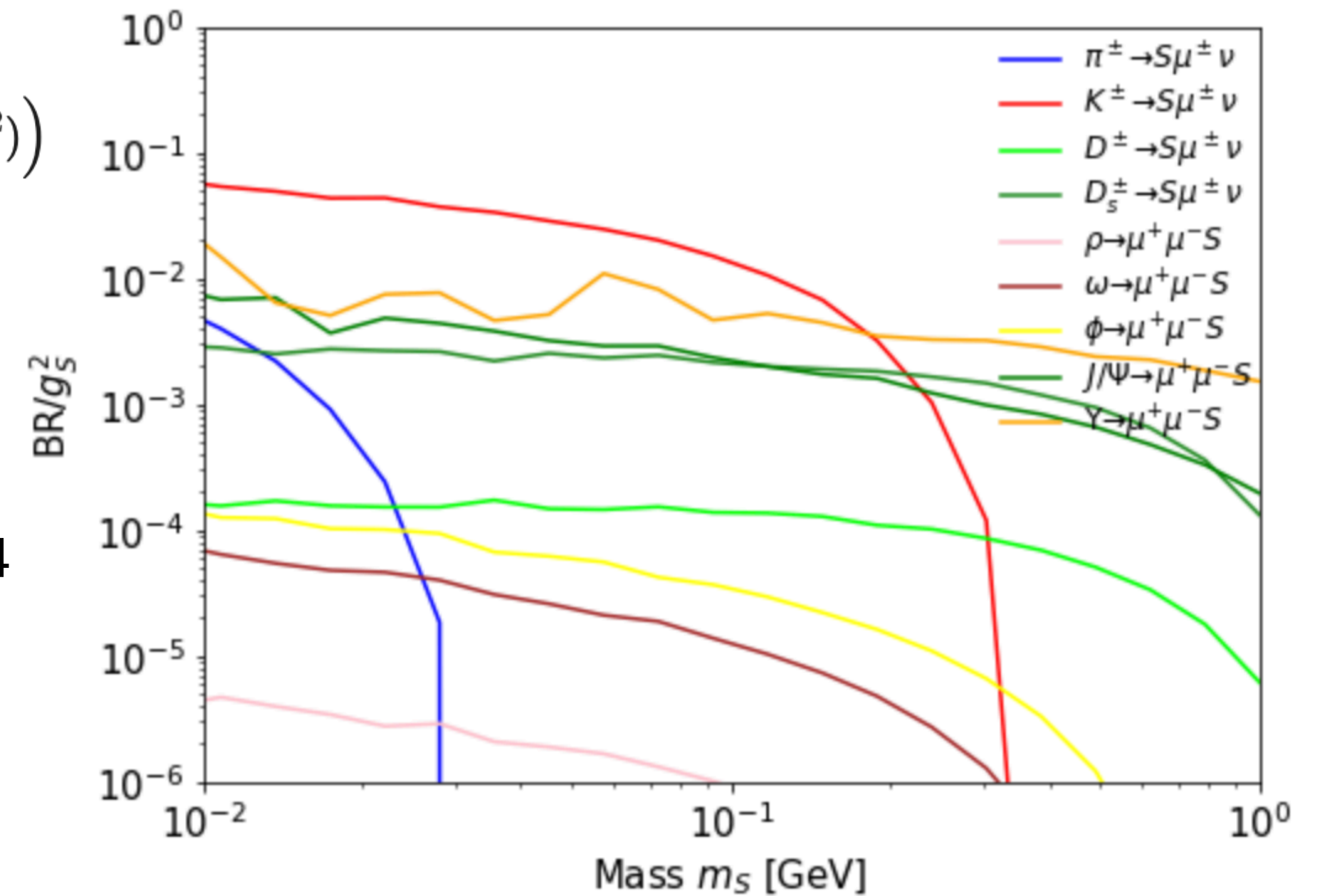
- **Vector decays via \$\gamma\$**

Manimala Mitra, Dibyakrupa Sahoo; 2103.08284

$$\frac{d^2\Gamma_{s^\pm}}{dt du} \equiv \frac{d^2\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ X_{s^\pm})}{dt du} = \frac{\alpha^2 g_{s^\pm}^2 f_J^2}{27 \pi m_J^5 Y} |A_{s^\pm}|^2$$

$$Y = (t - m_\mu^2)^2 (u - m_\mu^2)^2$$

Decay constant Squared amplitude

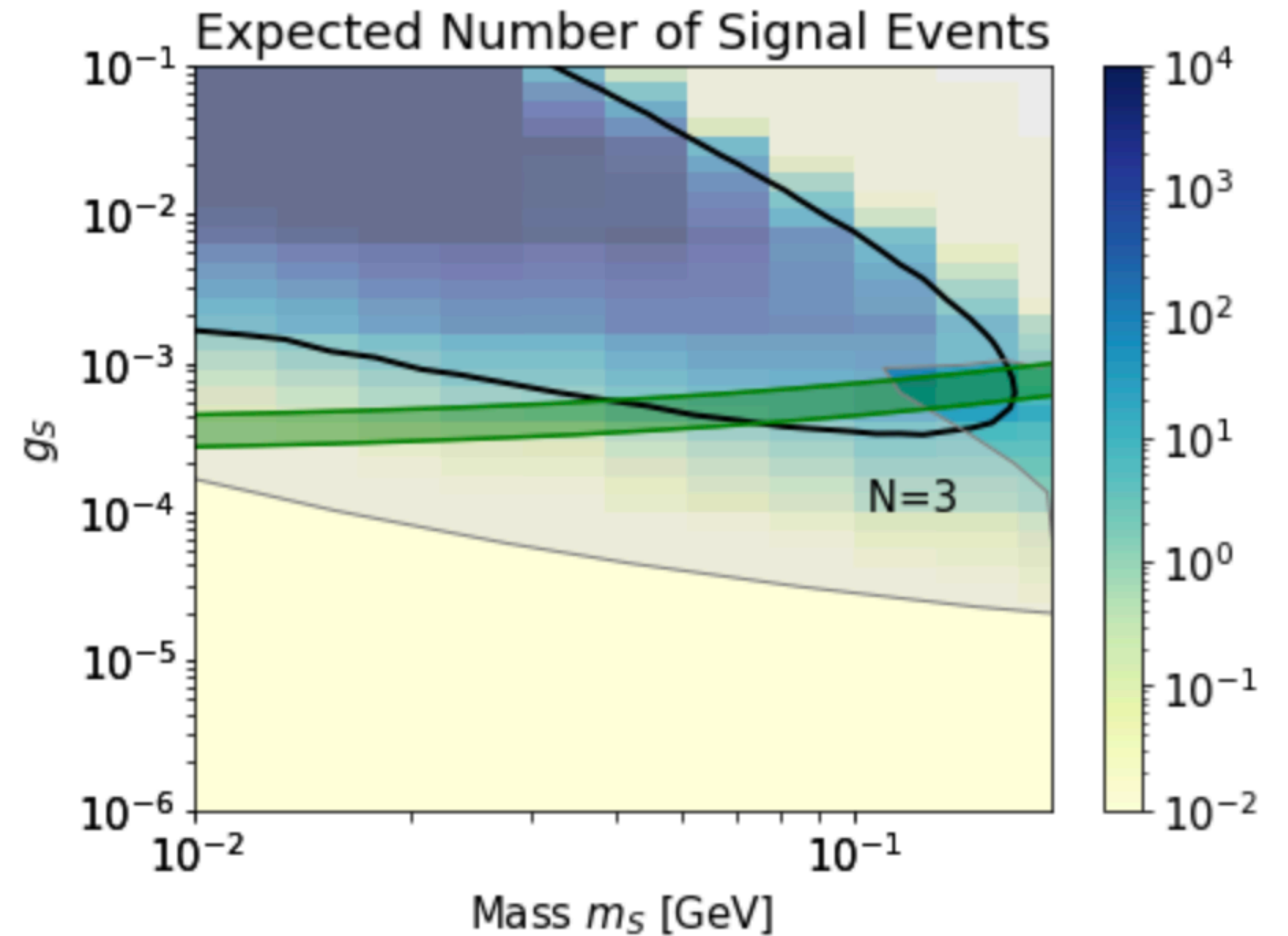


Implemented via FORESEE
Felix Kling, Sebastian Trojanowski,
2105.07077

Production from 3 body decays near ATLAS IP

Significant event rates expected at FASER during Run 3.

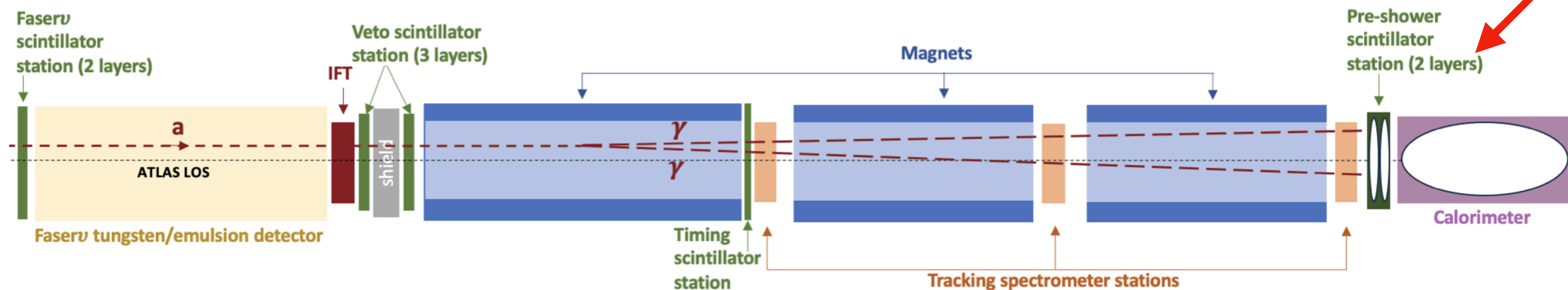
But what about backgrounds?



3 body decays (cont.)

- The signal we expect is “no activity” with some energy deposition in the calorimeter.
- Very similar to FASER’s ALPs analysis. (Conf note)
- The dominant background there is from neutrino interactions.

ALP search at FASER



- $E_{calo} > 1.5 \text{ TeV}$ reduces the neutrino backgrounds to $\sim 0.42/50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$.
- Its a non-negligible background as we go to higher luminosities.

High Precision Preshower

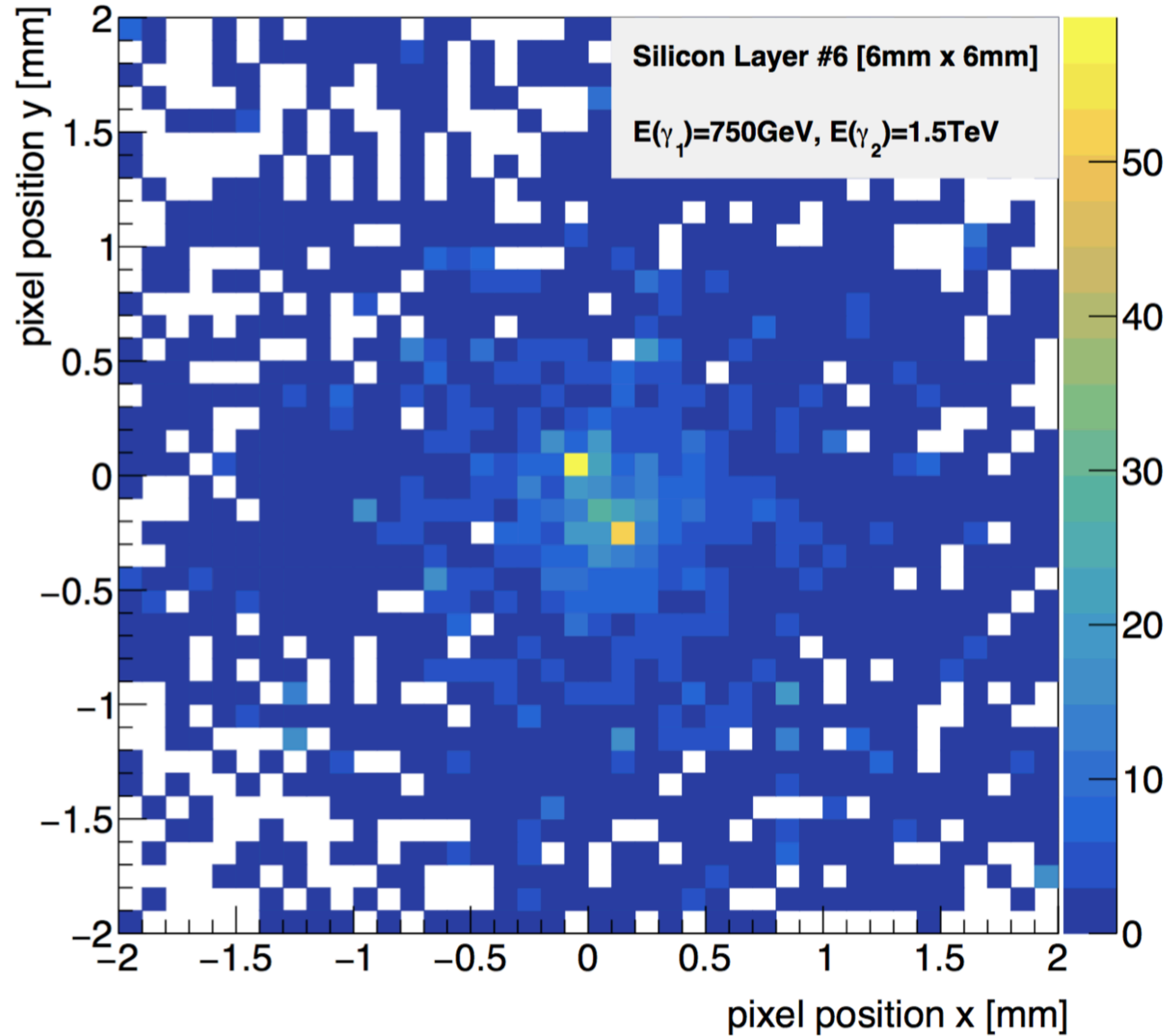
- The FASER collaboration is working on a High Precision Preshower.

Preshower TP

ABSTRACT: The FASER detector is designed to search for light weakly interacting new particles decaying into charged final states at the LHC. While the first physics data will be taken at the start of Run 3 of the LHC program, an upgrade is already foreseen to enhance the sensitivity to long-lived particles decaying into photons. A high-precision preshower detector will be constructed within the next two years allowing to distinguish the predicted axion-like particles signature of two very closely spaced highly energetic photons. Profiting from recent developments in monolithic pixel silicon detectors, the FASER Collaboration plans to build instrumented silicon pixel detector planes with a granularity of $100 \mu\text{m}$ interleaved with tungsten absorber planes. The addition of the new pre-shower detector will expand the physics search capability of FASER.

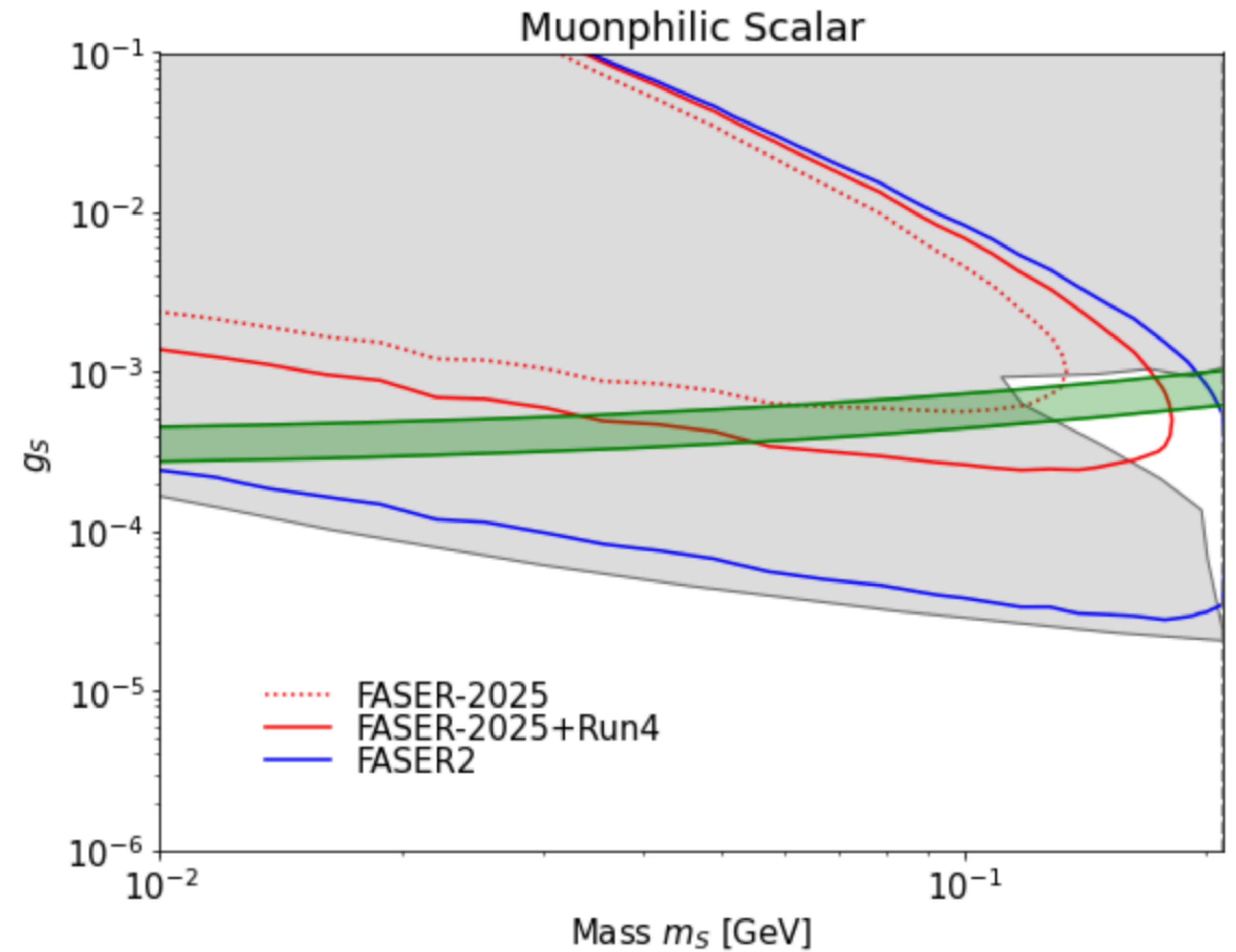
High Precision Preshower

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3 body decays - High Precision Preshower

- Requiring $\Delta_{\gamma\gamma} > 0.2$ mm suppresses most of the backgrounds.
- In 2025, FASER expects $\sim 90 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ with preshower. [Run 4 proposal for FASER](#)
- This is a reduction in luminosity ($300 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow 90 \text{ fb}^{-1}$).
- But even with only 2025 data, FASER can begin probe the unconstrained (g-2) band below $2 * m_\mu$.



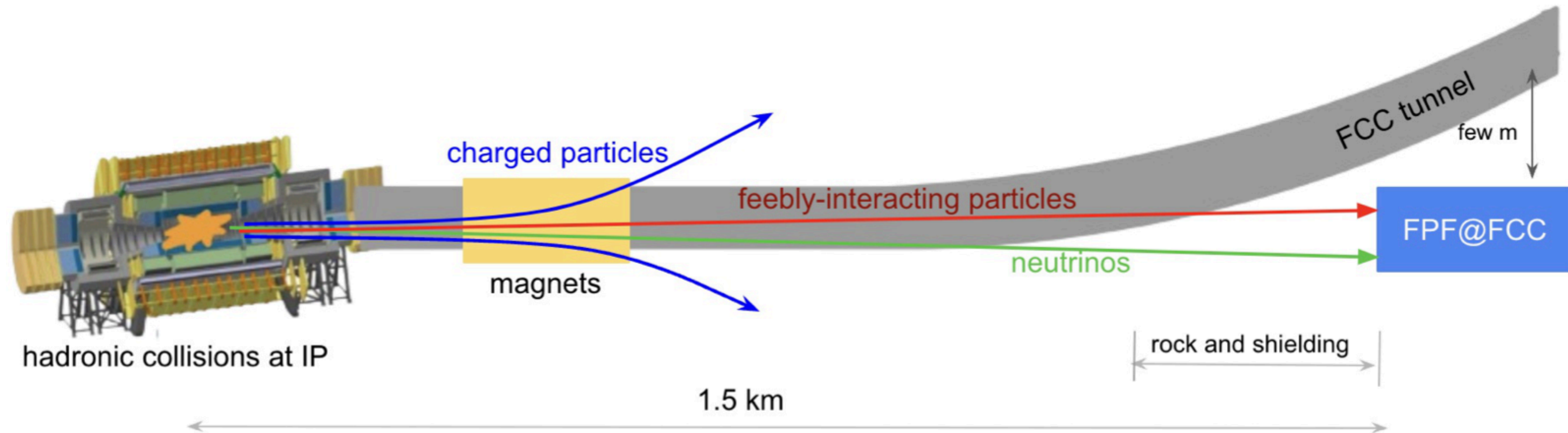
Looking to the Future: FPF@FCC

- LHC: $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$, $\mathcal{L} = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- HL-LHC: $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$, $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$
- FCC-hh: $\sqrt{s} = 100 \text{ TeV}$, $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

- FASER, FASER ν , SND@LHC
- FPF
- FPF@FCC ?

Forward detectors have proven to be a very cost effective way to expand collider physics scope.

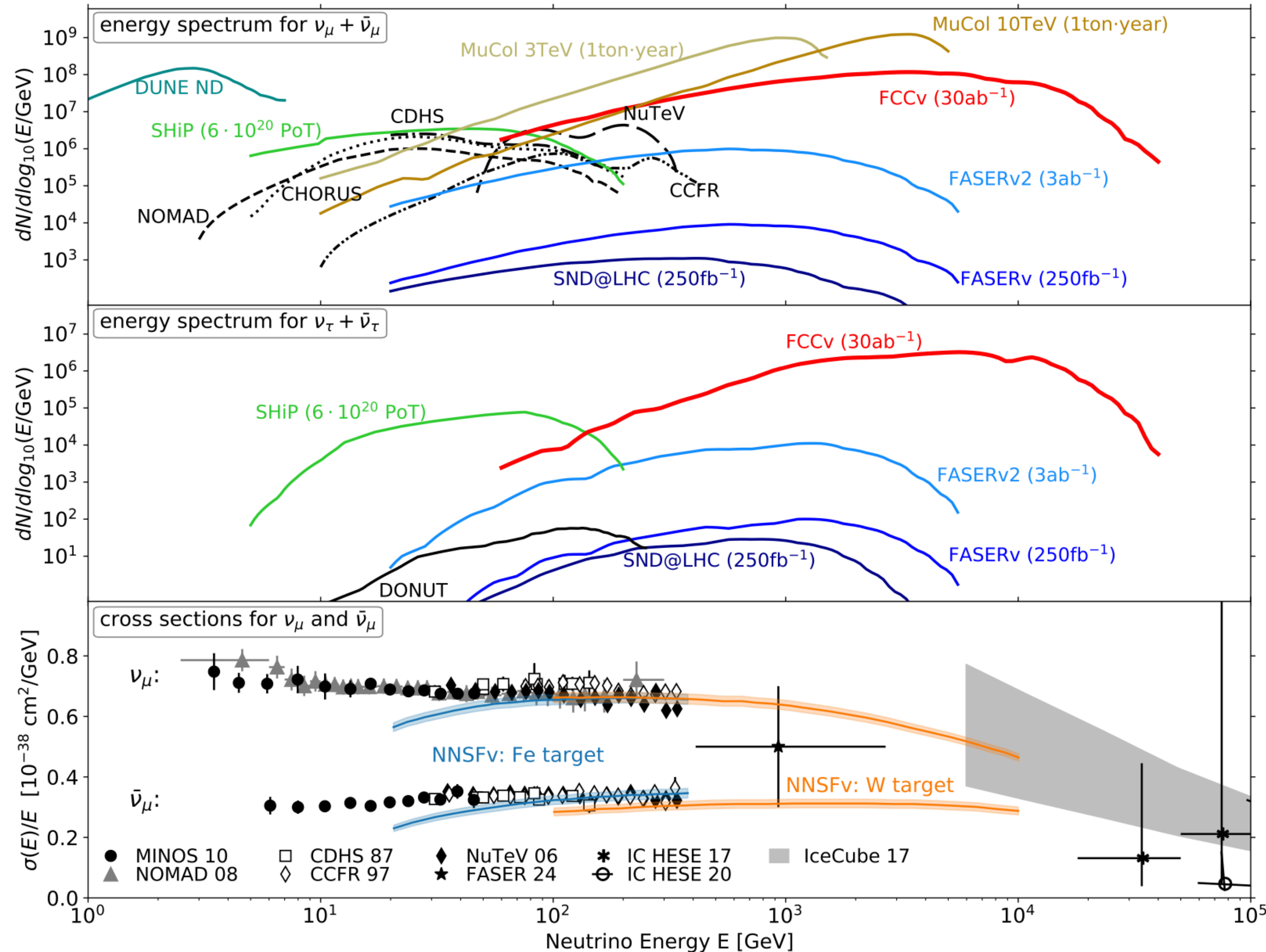
Looking to the Future: FPF@FCC



FCC is decades in the future, but we should already start phenomenological studies for it.

R.M.A., Jyotismita Adhikary, Jonathan L. Feng, Max Fieg, Felix Kling, Jinmian Li, Junle Pei, Tanjona R. Rabemananjara, Juan Rojo, Sebastian Trojanowski; 2409.02163

Looking to the Future: FPF@FCC



- Enormous flux of neutrinos upto 40TeV.
- Comfortably bridges the gap between low energy neutrino experiments and IceCube Neutrinos.
- Significant number of neutrinos produced from p-Pb, Pb-Pb collisions can be detected.

Looking to the Future: FPF@FCC

Detector	Geometry	Rapidity	\mathcal{L}_{pp}	\sqrt{s}	Acceptance
FASER ν	25 cm \times 30 cm \times 103 cm	$\eta_\nu \geq 8.5$	250 fb $^{-1}$	13.6 TeV	$E_\ell, E_h \gtrsim 100$ GeV, $\theta_\ell \lesssim 0.025$
FASER $\nu 2$	40 cm \times 40 cm \times 6.6 m	$\eta_\nu \geq 8.4$	3 ab $^{-1}$	14 TeV	$E_\ell, E_h \gtrsim 100$ GeV, $\theta_\ell \lesssim 0.05$
FCC ν	40 cm \times 40 cm \times 6.6 m	$\eta_\nu \geq 9.2$	30 ab $^{-1}$	100 TeV	$E_\ell, E_h \gtrsim 100$ GeV, $\theta_\ell \lesssim 0.05$
FCC $\nu(d)$	40 cm \times 40 cm \times 66 m	$\eta_\nu \geq 9.2$	30 ab $^{-1}$	100 TeV	$E_\ell, E_h \gtrsim 100$ GeV, $\theta_\ell \lesssim 0.05$
FCC $\nu(w)$	1.25 m \times 1.25 m \times 6.6 m	$\eta_\nu \geq 8.1$	30 ab $^{-1}$	100 TeV	$E_\ell, E_h \gtrsim 100$ GeV, $\theta_\ell \lesssim 0.05$

- **Similar detector design as proposed for FPF will see tens of millions of neutrinos.**

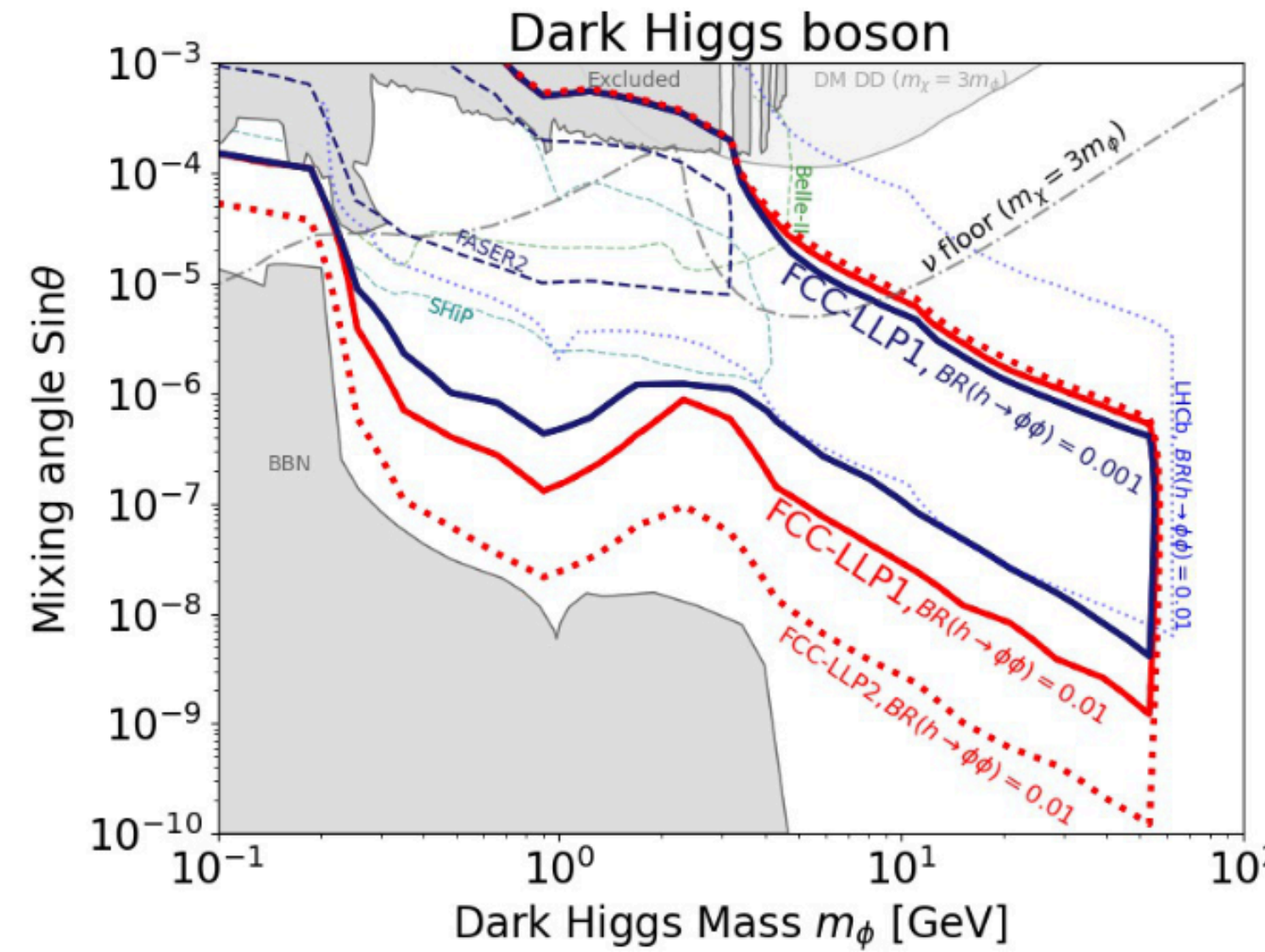
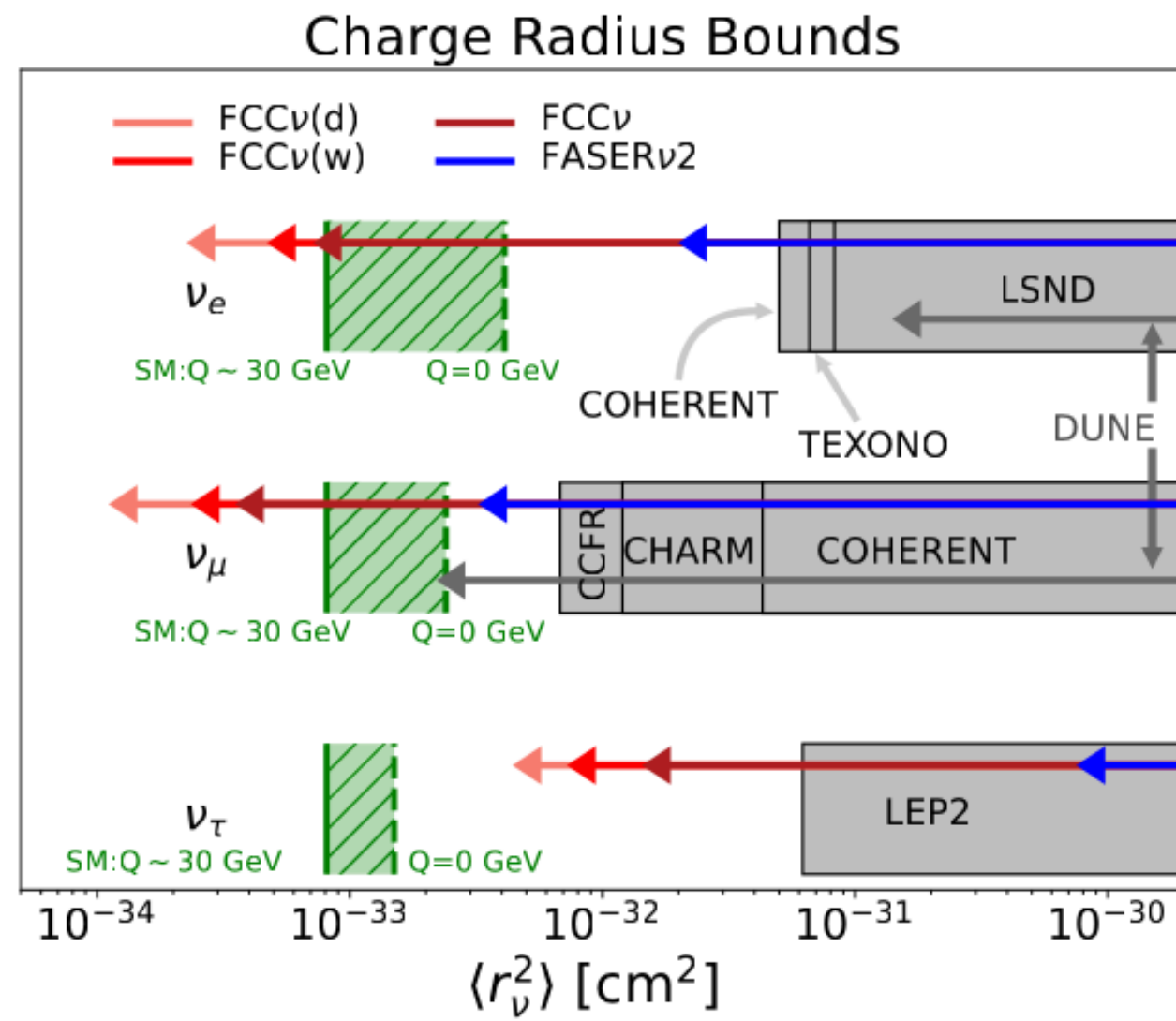
- **More ambitious detector designs also considered.**

Detector	$N_{\nu_e} + N_{\bar{\nu}_e}$	$N_{\nu_\mu} + N_{\bar{\nu}_\mu}$	$N_{\nu_\tau} + N_{\bar{\nu}_\tau}$
FASER ν	2.1k	11k	36
FASER $\nu 2$	220k	1.1M	4.3k
FCC ν	62M	130M	3.2M
FCC $\nu(d)$	620M	1.3B	32M
FCC $\nu(w)$	170M	370M	11M

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BSM physics

$$\mathcal{L} = -m_\phi^2 \phi^2 - \sin \theta \frac{m_f}{v} \phi \bar{f} f - \lambda v h \phi \phi$$

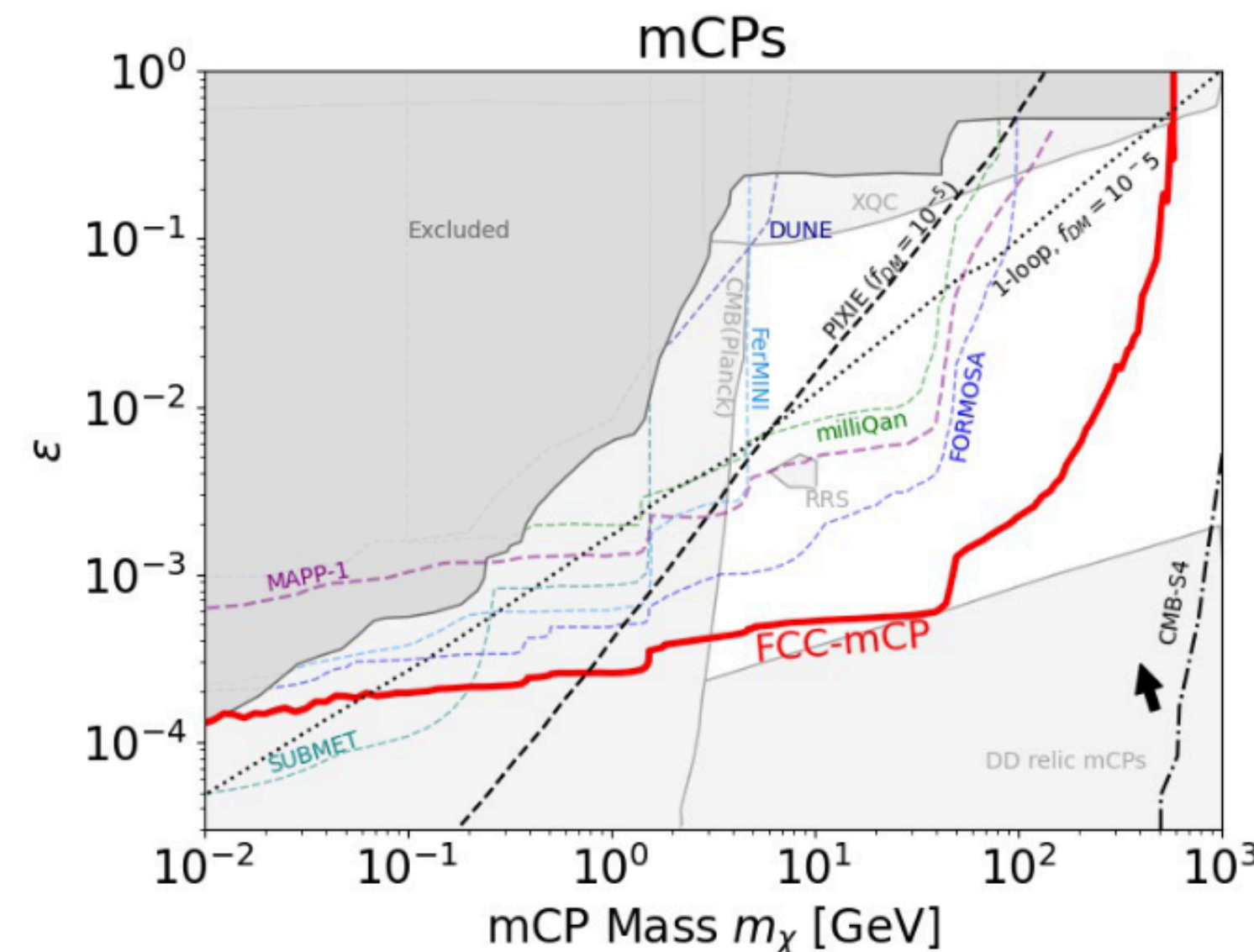
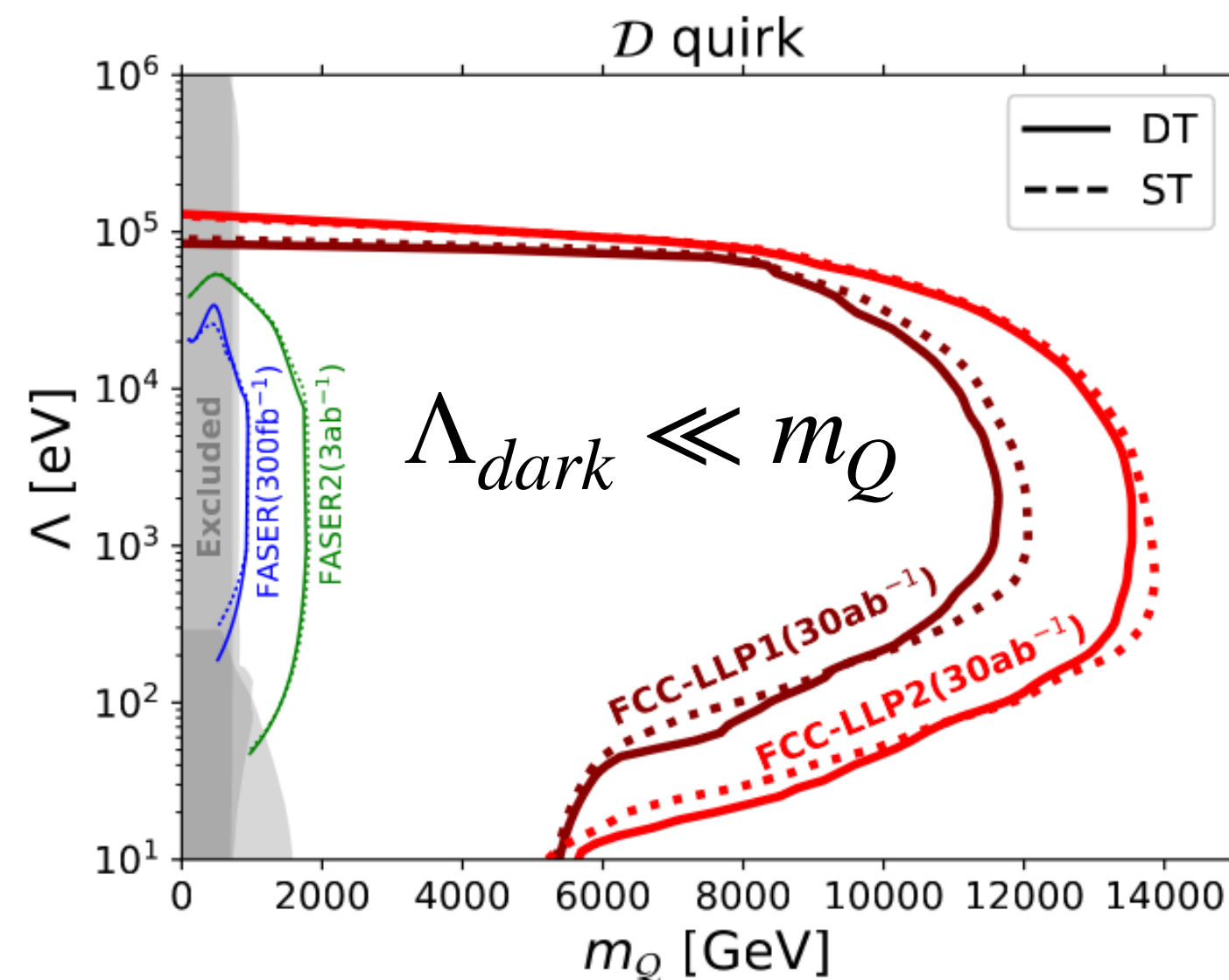


- Measure the ν charge radius down SM prediction, sensitive to BSM contributions.

- Sensitive to LLPs from Higgs decays with masses as large as 62 GeV, and $\theta \sim 10^{-8}$.

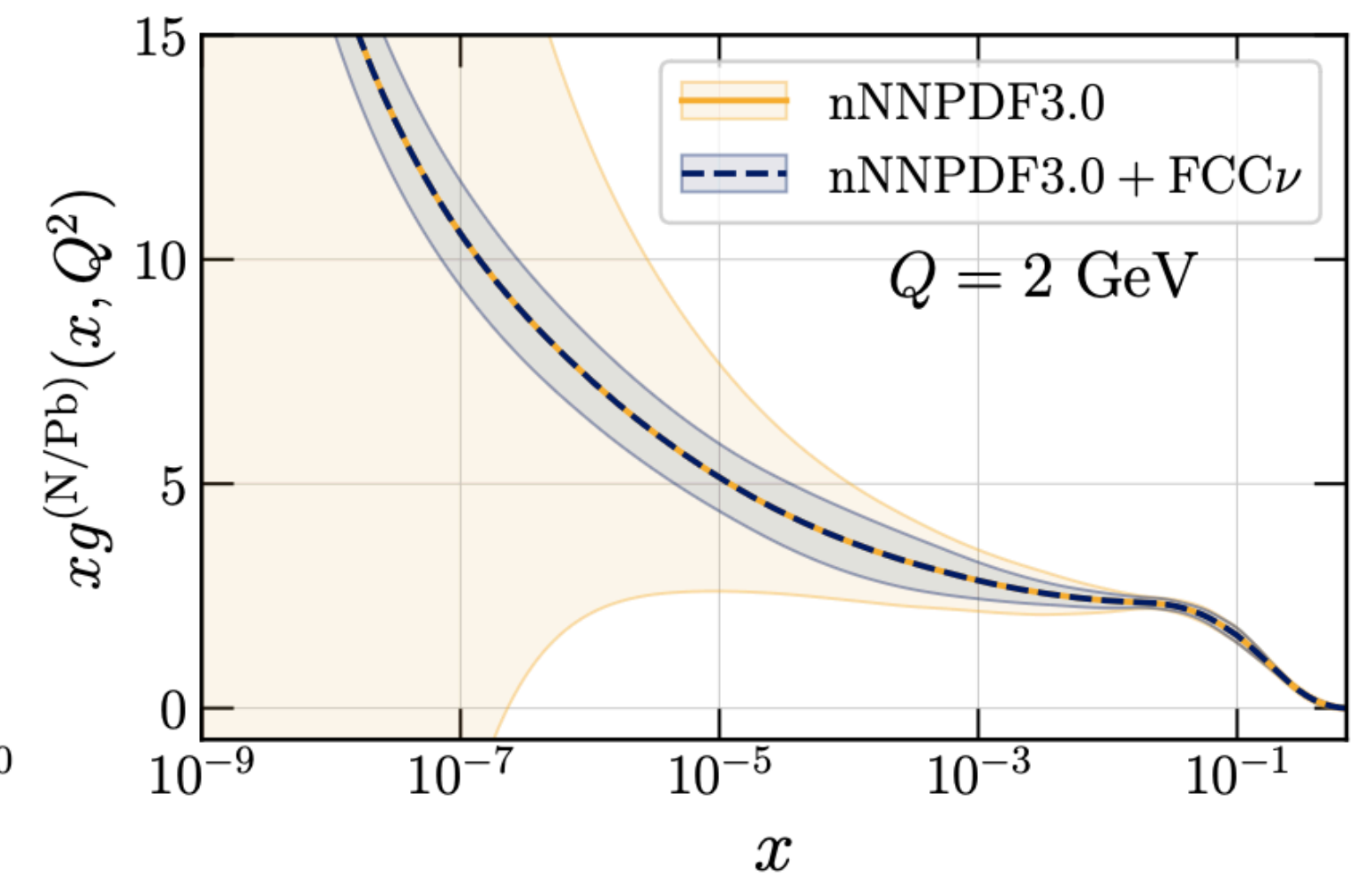
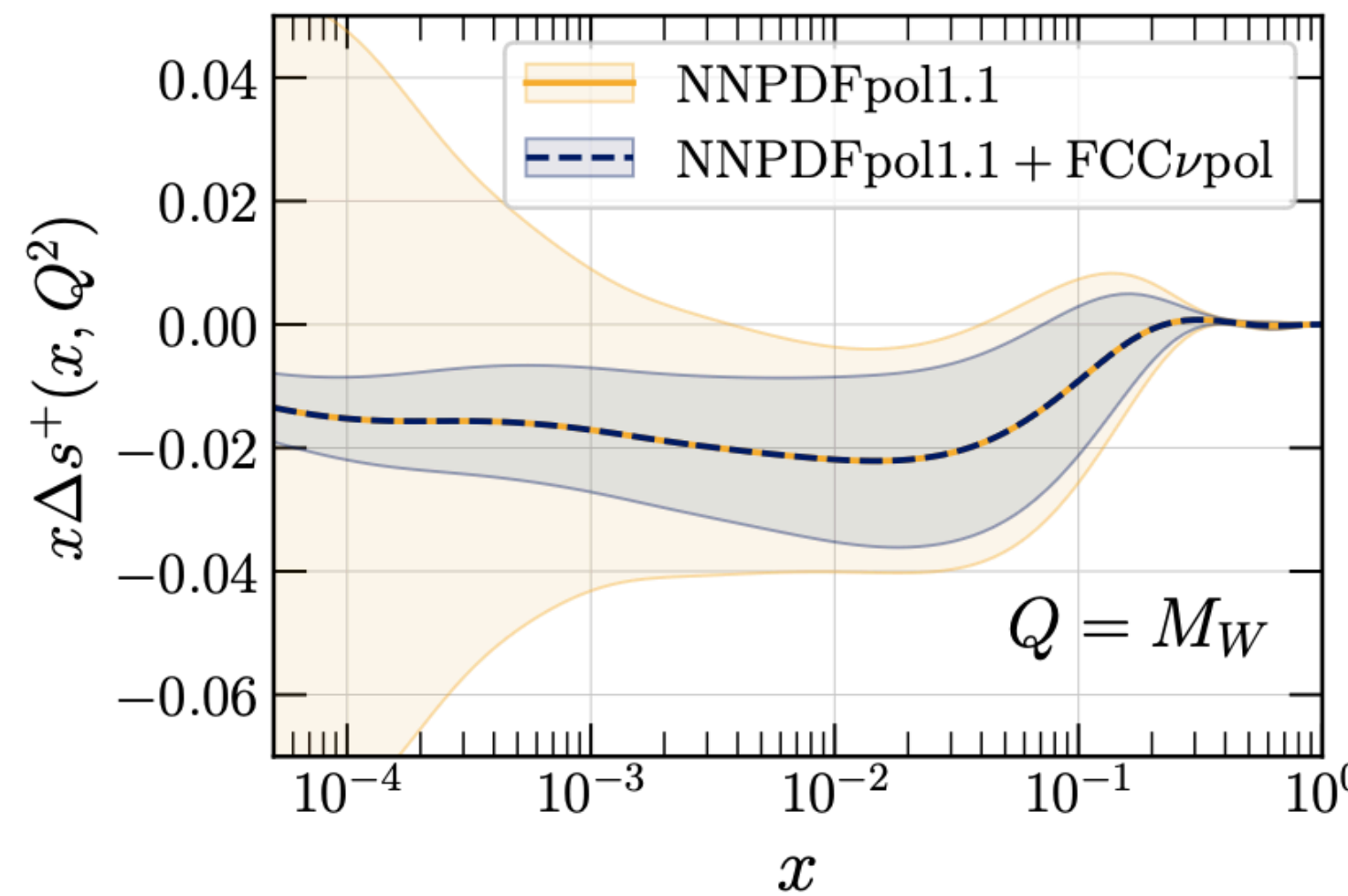
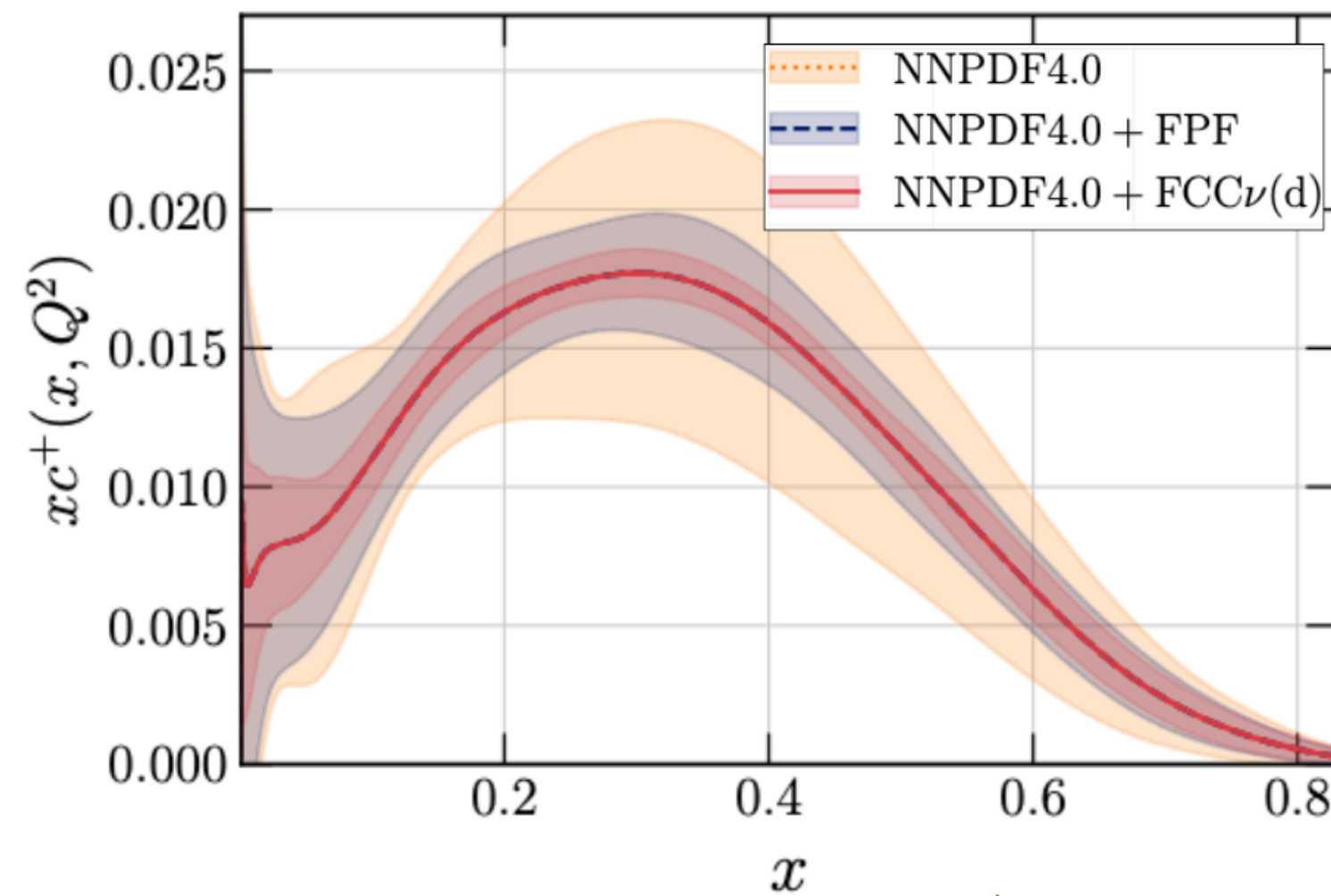
- Quirks masses upto 14 TeV.

- mCPs with masses upto a few 100s of GeV, and $q \sim 10^{-3} e$.



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QCD physics



Constraints on unpolarized, polarized and nuclear PDFs.

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Summary

- There is a lot of physics to be studied in the forward region at LHC, HL-LHC, **FCC**.
 - Neutrinos, Muons, QCD, PDFs, DM, ALPs,.....
- It is the era of **Multimessenger Collider Physics**.

“These sources are complicated... Unless you have many ways to *look* at them, you’re not going to figure them out”

-Francis Halzen on Multimessenger Astronomy
Scientific American

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Multimessenger Collider Physics

Borrowed from Max Fieg

Thank You

Back Up Slides

Modified Rates at FPF: ν –nuclear scattering

Neutrino Charge Radius:

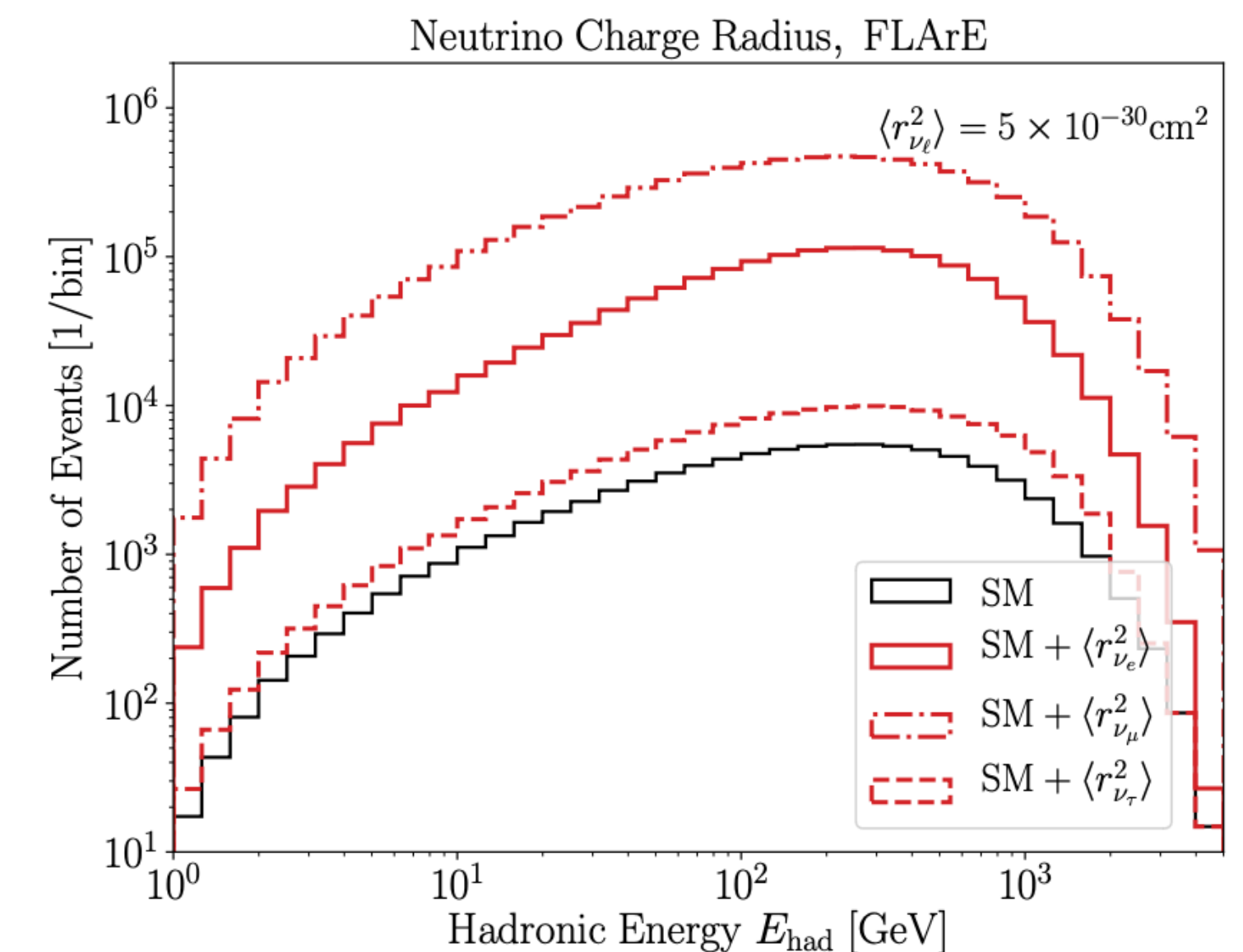
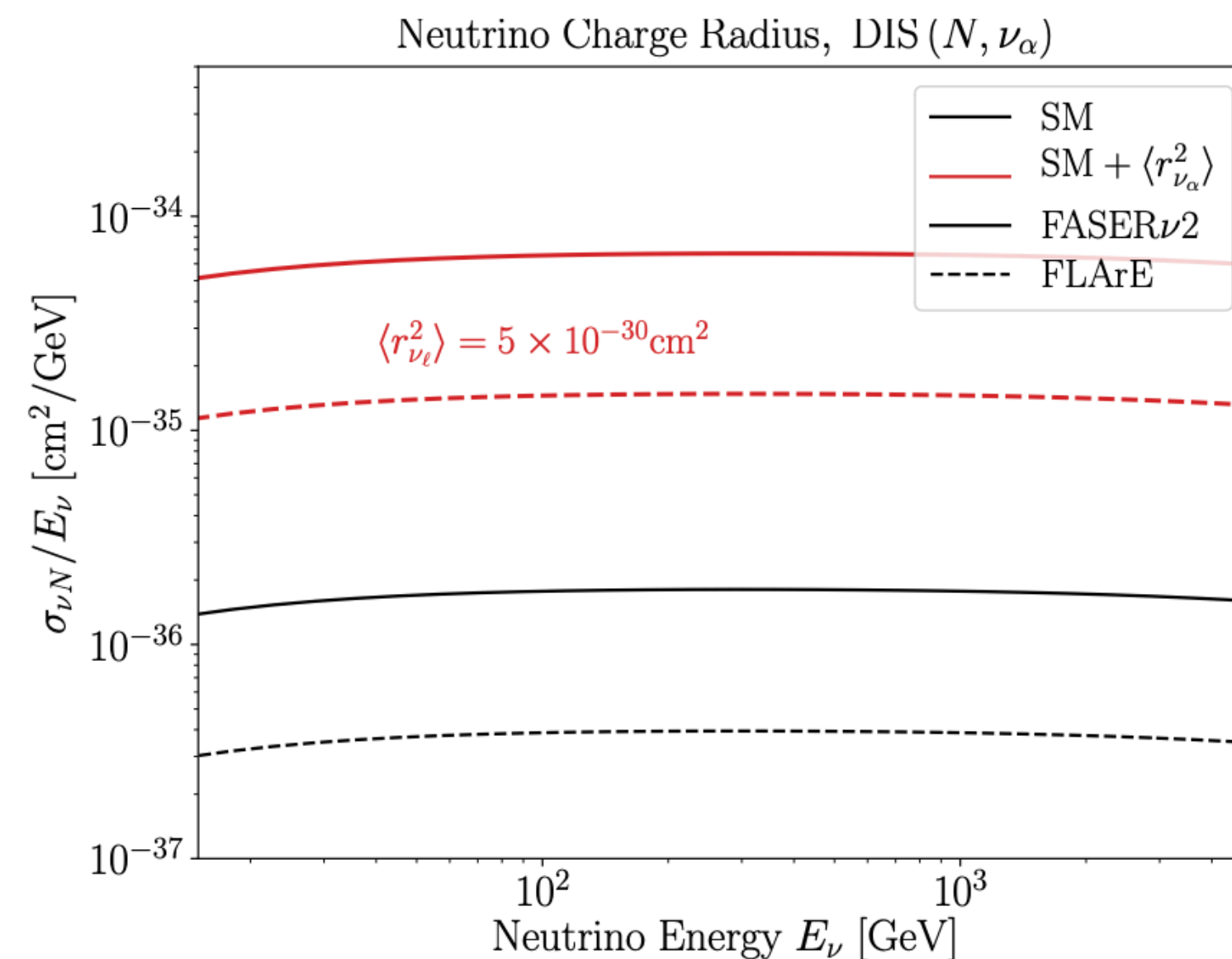
- Vector coupling in the NC DIS is modified as,

$$g_V^q \rightarrow g_V^q - \frac{2}{3} Q_q m_W^2 \langle r_{\nu_e}^2 \rangle \sin^2 \theta_w$$

Vogel and Engel, 89

- We use a heavier target (nuclear scattering) for higher signal event rates.

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Weak Mixing Angle at FPF

- If the SM value shifts, $\sin^2 \theta_W \rightarrow \sin^2 \theta_W + \Delta \sin^2 \theta_W$ then $g_V^q \rightarrow g_V^q - 2Q_q \Delta \sin^2 \theta_W$.
- Modifies NC DIS similarly to NCR.
- One can recast NCR results to measure to the $\sin^2 \theta_W$ at the FPF.
- Could be interesting if the NuTeV measurement is actually anomalous. Their measured value is 3σ above SM value.

LLP and Polarized detectors at FPF@FCC

Detector	Geometry	\mathcal{L}_{pp}	\sqrt{s}	Acceptance
FASER	$\pi(10 \text{ cm})^2 \times 1.5 \text{ m}$	150 fb^{-1}	14 TeV	$E_{\text{vis}} \gtrsim 100 \text{ GeV}$
FASER2	$\pi(1 \text{ m})^2 \times 5 \text{ m}$	3 ab^{-1}	14 TeV	$E_{\text{vis}} \gtrsim 100 \text{ GeV}$
FCC-LLP1	$5 \text{ m} \times 5 \text{ m} \times 50 \text{ m}$	30 ab^{-1}	100 TeV	$E_{\text{vis}} \gtrsim 100 \text{ GeV}$
FCC-LLP2	$20 \text{ m} \times 20 \text{ m} \times 400 \text{ m}$	30 ab^{-1}	100 TeV	$E_{\text{vis}} \gtrsim 100 \text{ GeV}$
FCC-mCP	$5 \text{ m} \times 5 \text{ m} \times 4 \text{ m}$	30 ab^{-1}	100 TeV	$4 \times (\bar{N}_{\text{PE}} \geq 1)$

Detector	Geometry	Rapidity	\mathcal{L}_{pp}	\sqrt{s}	Acceptance
COMPASS ν	$\pi(2.5 \text{ cm})^2 \times 1.2 \text{ m}$	$\eta_\nu \geq 11.6$	30 ab^{-1}	100 TeV	$E_\ell, E_h \gtrsim 100 \text{ GeV}, \theta_\ell \lesssim 0.05$
FCC ν -pol	$40 \text{ cm} \times 40 \text{ cm} \times 6.6 \text{ m}$	$\eta_\nu \geq 9.2$	30 ab^{-1}	100 TeV	$E_\ell, E_h \gtrsim 100 \text{ GeV}, \theta_\ell \lesssim 0.05$

^6LiD target similar to COMPASS detector