

# Searching for Long-Lived Neutralinos & RH Neutrinos

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## Previous Work

### RPV-Light Neutralino

- **KARMEN:** Choudhury, HD, Richardson, Sarkar; *Phys.Rev.D* 61 (2000) 095009
- **NuTeV:** Dedes, HD, Richardson; *Phys.Rev.D* 65 (2001) 015001
- **SHiP, ATLAS:** de Vries, HD, Schmeier, *Phys.Rev.D* 94 (2016) 035006
- **CODEX-b, FASER, MATHUSLA:** Dercks, de Vries, HD, Wang; *PRD* 99 (2019) 055039
- **AL3X:** Dercks, HD, Hirsch, Wang; *Phys.Rev.D* 99 (2019) 5, 055020
- **ANUBIS, MoEDAL/MAPP:** HD, Günther, ZS Wang; *2008.07539 [hep-ph]*

### Right Handed Neutrino

- **Many Exps.:** de Vries, HD, Günther, Wang, Zhou; *2008.07539 [hep-ph]*

# Searches for Long-Lived Particles

- Motivated by dark matter, new experimental proposals: search for light dark sector particles.
- Light neutralinos, briefly: RH neutrinos

# Massless Neutralinos

- Drop SUSY GUT assumption relating  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ , set determinant of neutralino mass matrix to zero, solve for  $M_1$

$$M_1 = \frac{M_2 M_Z^2 \sin(2\beta) \sin^2 \theta_W}{\mu M_2 - M_Z^2 \sin(2\beta) \cos^2 \theta_W}.$$

- Always has a solution (for real parameters)
- Light neutralino dominantly bino, avoid inv. Z-decay constraint
- In fact massless neutralino consistent with all data.

HD, Heinemeier, Kittel, Langenfeld, Weber, Weiglein, EPJ C62 (2009) 547

- For:  $0.7 \text{ eV} < M_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} < 10 \text{ GeV}$  LSP must decay (RPV)

# Search for Light Longlived Neutralino

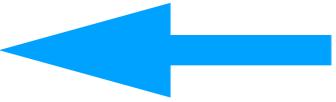
- Mass range we consider here: MeV - few GeV
- Production: similar to neutrino experiments
- Produce a meson via strong interaction in hadronic collision
  - \*  $p + p \rightarrow D^\pm + X$
- Consider rare decays of meson to light neutralino
  - \*  $D^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm + \chi_1^0$
- Search for decays of long-lived neutralino in (remote) detector

# Search for Light Long-Lived Neutralino

- Have analyzed these scenarios in various experimental set-ups
- Proposed fixed-target exp.: **SHiP**
- Proposed new detectors at the LHC:  
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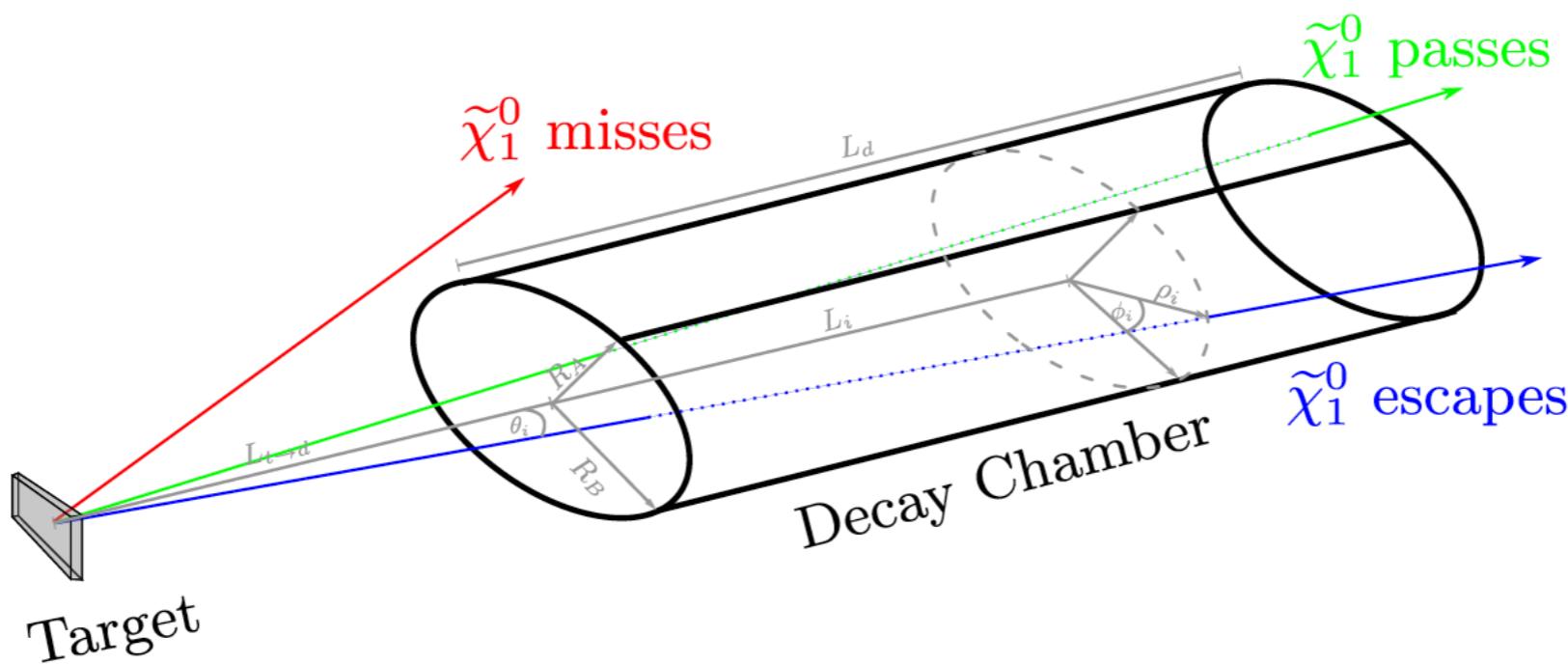
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# Proposed SHiP Experiment Parameters

$\sqrt{s} = 27 \text{ GeV}$ ; integrated luminosity:  $10^{20}$  protons on target

distance to detector: 68.8m; detector length: 60m

$R_A = 2.5 \text{ m}$ ;  $R_B = 5 \text{ m}$



# Neutralino Production via Rare Meson Decay

- At SHiP energies large charm and bottom production rates

HardQCD:hardccbar

Pythia, FONLL

$$N_{c\bar{c}} = 9 \times 10^{16}$$

$$N_{b\bar{b}} = 2 \times 10^{13}$$

$n_{D^\pm}^{c\bar{c}}$	0.53
$n_{D_s^\pm}^{c\bar{c}}$	0.074
$n_{B^\pm}^{b\bar{b}}$	0.83
$n_{B^0}^{b\bar{b}}$	0.80
$n_{B_s^0}^{b\bar{b}}$	0.14

$$N_\chi^{\text{prod}} = \sum_M N_M \cdot \Gamma(M \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 + l) \cdot \tau_M.$$

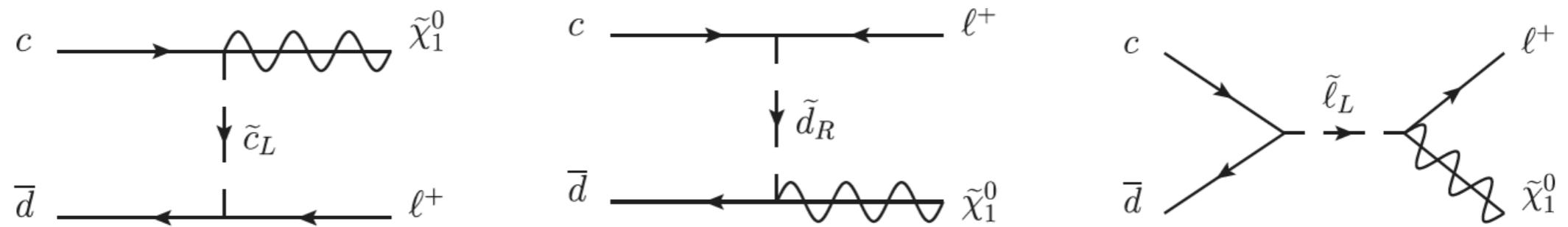
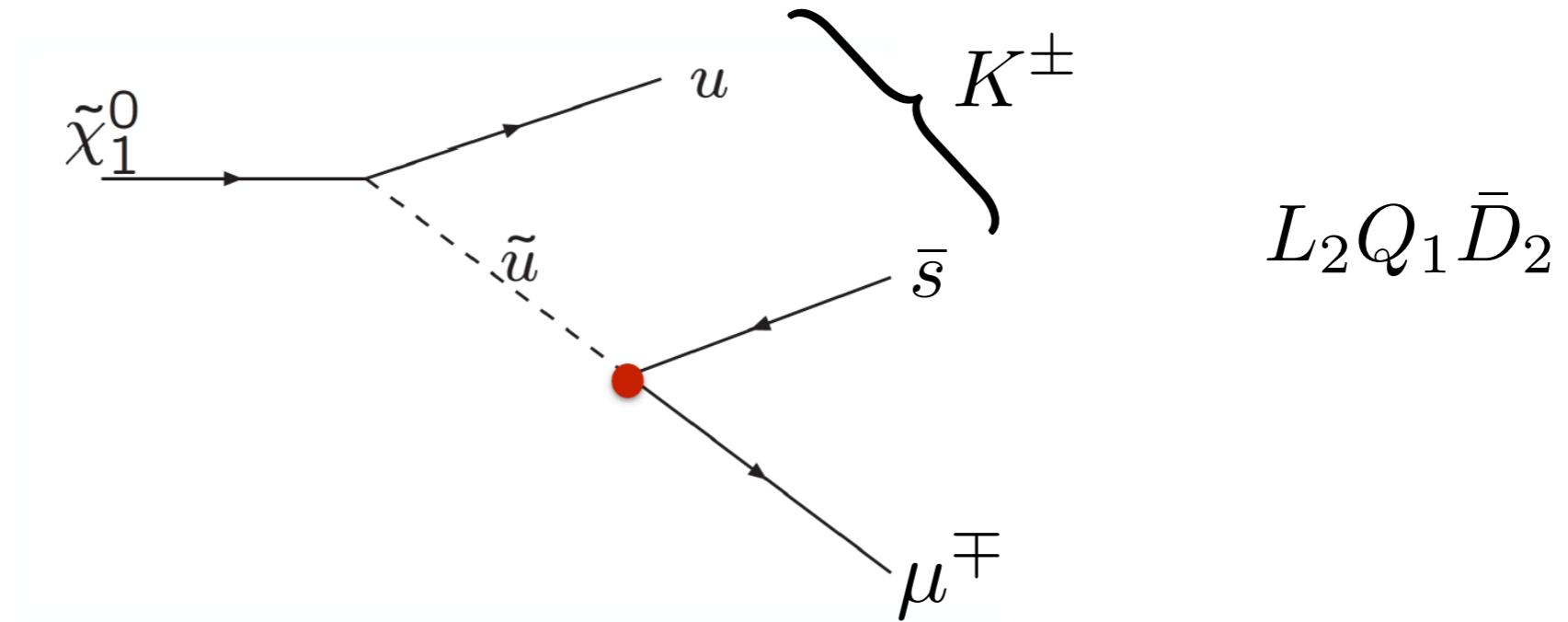


FIG. 1. Relevant Feynman diagrams for  $D^+ \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 + \ell^+$ .

# Neutralino Decay

- Light neutralino will decay via LQD to meson + lepton



- Depending on  $M_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$  and dominant  $L_i Q_j \bar{D}_k$  neutralino will decay to various mesons
- Only one coupling which allows prod. and decay:  $\lambda'_{112}$

$$K_{L/S}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \nu, \quad \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow K^\pm \ell^\mp. \quad \Delta m \approx 4 \text{ MeV}$$

# Possible Scenarios

$$\lambda'_{i11} \rightarrow \begin{cases} (u\bar{d}) = (\pi^+, \rho^+) \\ (d\bar{d}) = (\pi^0, \eta, \eta', \rho, \omega), \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda'_{i23} \rightarrow \begin{cases} (c\bar{b}) = B_c^+, B_c^{*+}, \\ (s\bar{b}) = B_s^0, B_s^{*0} \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda'_{i12} \rightarrow \begin{cases} (u\bar{s}) = (K^+, K^{*+}) \\ (d\bar{s}) = (K_L^0, K_S^0, K^{*0}), \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda'_{i31} \rightarrow (b\bar{d}) = B^0, B^{*0}$$

$$\lambda'_{i32} \rightarrow (s\bar{b}) = B_s^0, B_s^{*0}$$

$$\lambda'_{i13} \rightarrow \begin{cases} (u\bar{b}) = (B^+, B^{*+}) \\ (d\bar{b}) = (B^0, B^{*0}), \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda'_{i33} \rightarrow (b\bar{b}) = \eta_b, \Upsilon.$$

$$\lambda'_{i21} \rightarrow \begin{cases} (c\bar{d}) = (D^+, D^{*+}) \\ (s\bar{d}) = (K_L^0, K_S^0, K^{*0}), \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda'_{i22} \rightarrow \begin{cases} (c\bar{s}) = D_s^+, D_s^{*+} \\ (s\bar{s}) = \eta, \eta', \phi \end{cases}$$

- Kinematically must also take lepton mass into account

## Geometry of the Decay

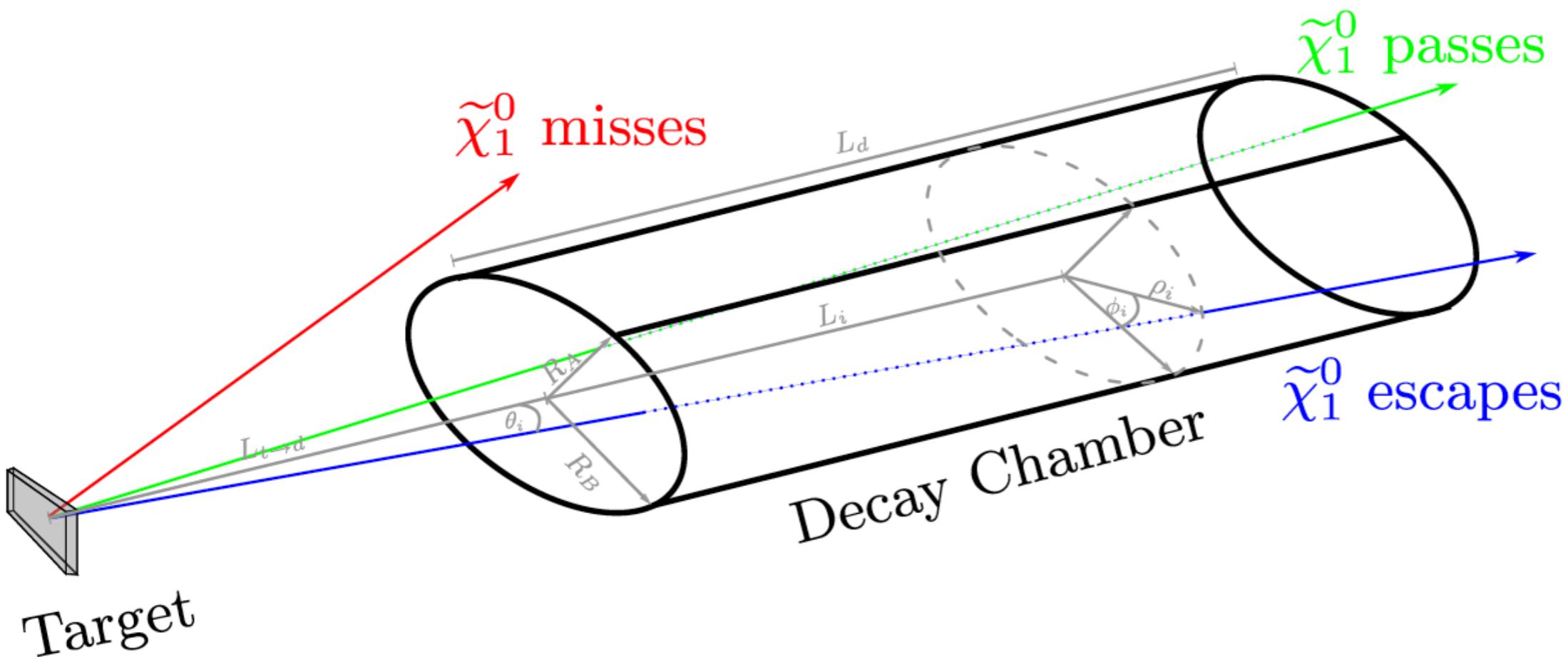
- $N_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^{\text{obs}} = N_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^{\text{prod}} \cdot \langle P[\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \text{ in d.r.}] \rangle \cdot \text{BR}(\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow \text{charged})$

- $\langle P[\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \text{ in d.r.}] \rangle = \frac{1}{N_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^{\text{MC}}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^{\text{MC}}} P[(\tilde{\chi}_1^0)_i \text{ in d.r.}],$

$$\lambda_i^z = \beta_i^z \gamma_i / \Gamma_{\text{tot}}(\tilde{\chi}_1^0),$$

$$\beta_i^z = p_i^z / E_i$$

$$\gamma_i = E_i / m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$$

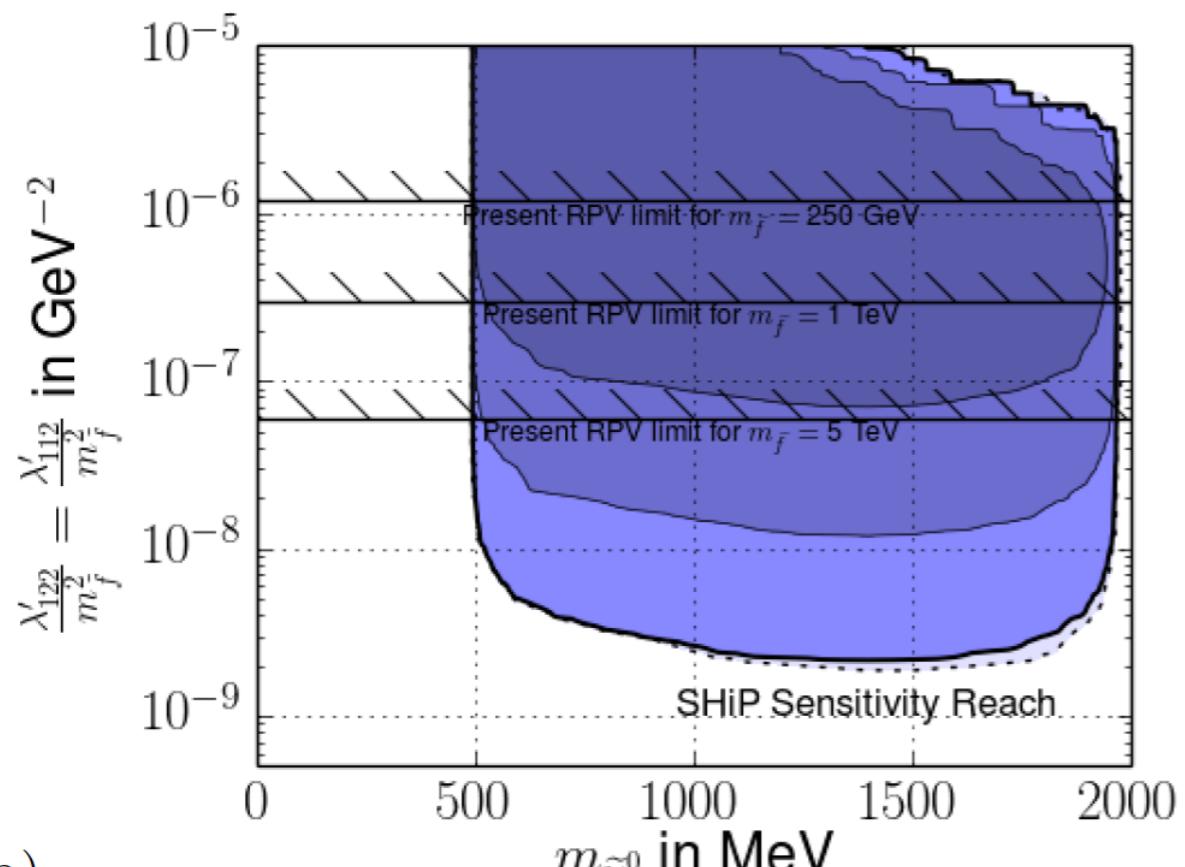


# Results: Benchmark II

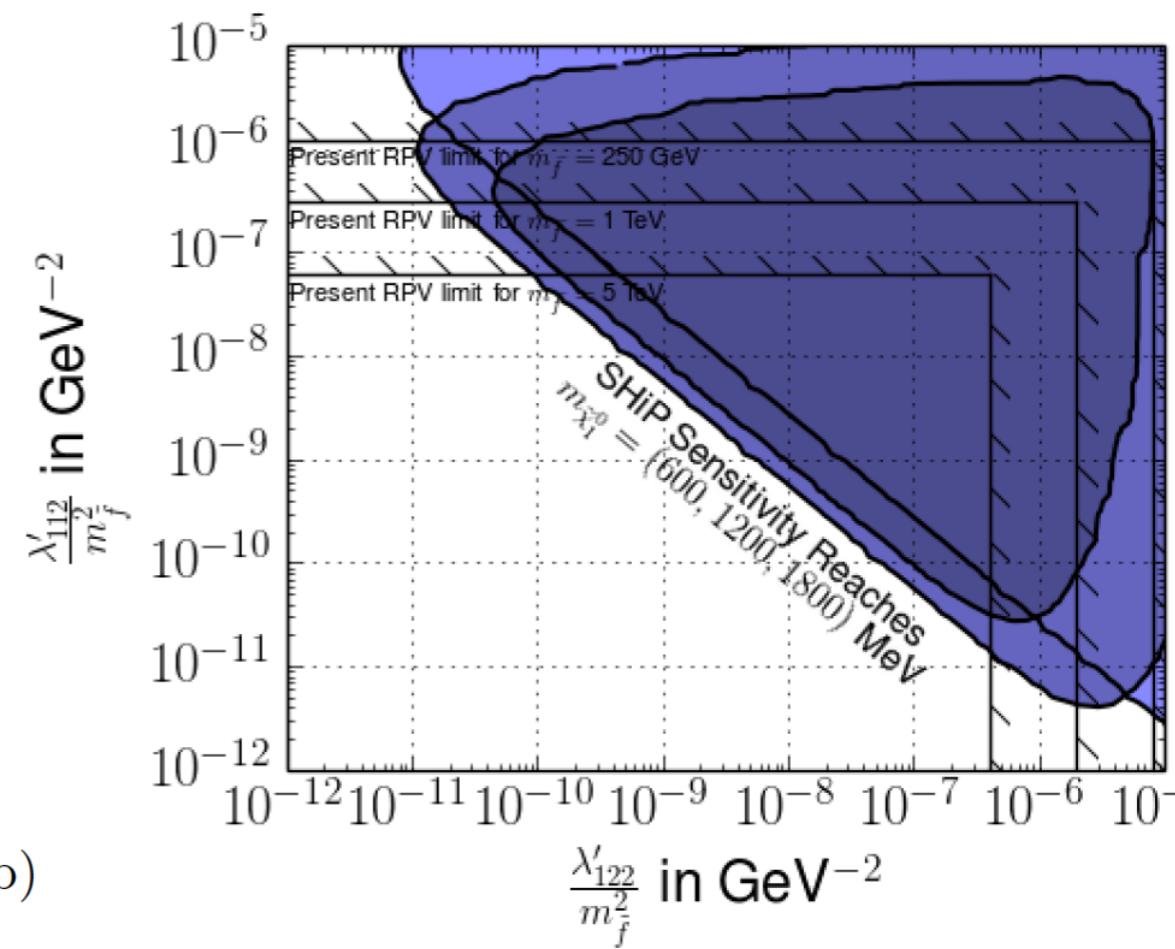
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$\lambda'_P$ for production	$\lambda'_{122}$
$\lambda'_D$ for decay	$\lambda'_{112}$
produced meson(s)	$D_s$
visible final state(s)	$K^\pm e^\mp, K^{*\pm} e^\mp$
invisible final state(s) via $\lambda'_P$	$(\eta, \eta', \phi) + (\nu, \bar{\nu})$
invisible final state(s) via $\lambda'_D$	$(K_L^0, K_S^0, K^*) + (\nu, \bar{\nu})$

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a)



b)

# Results: Benchmark V

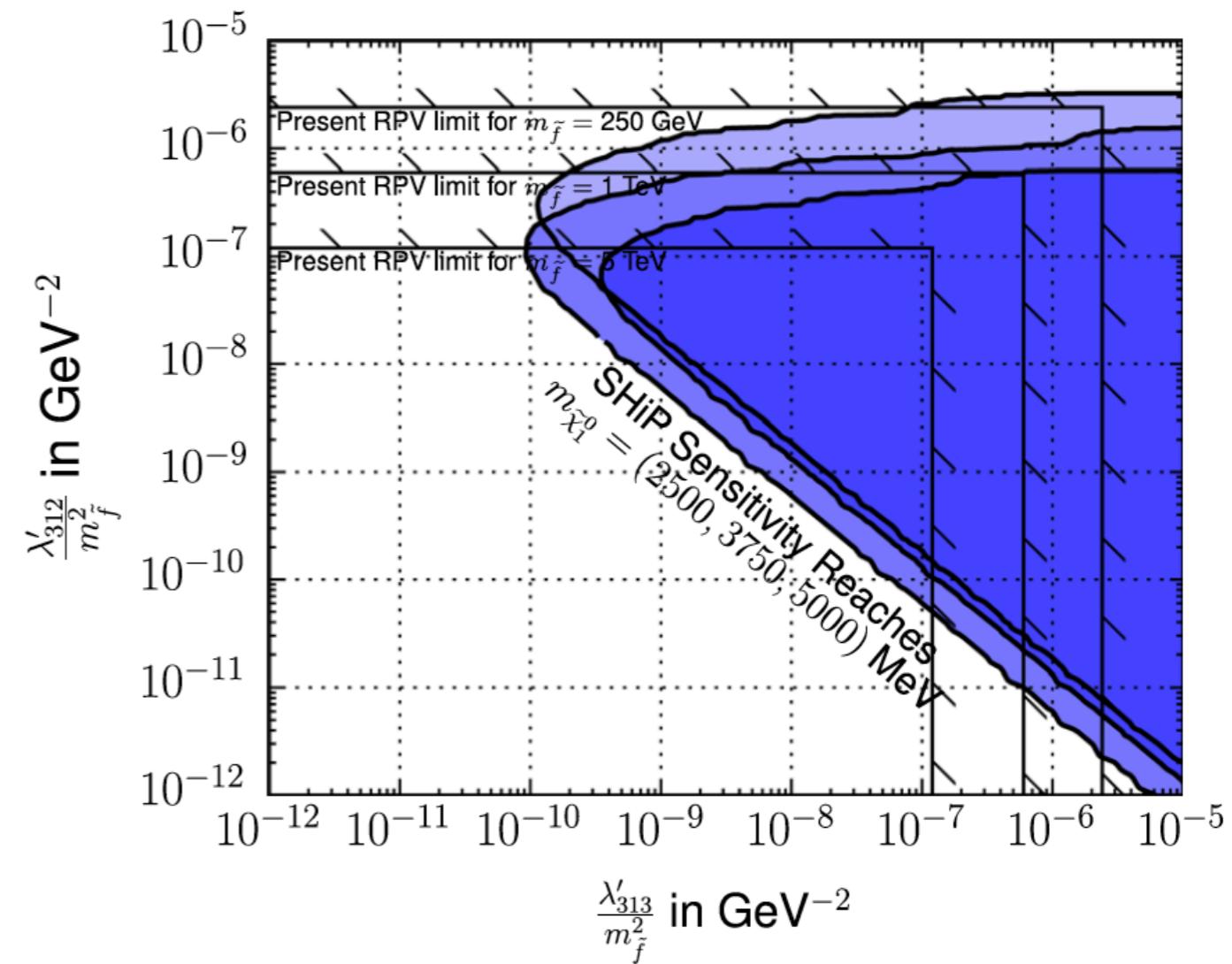
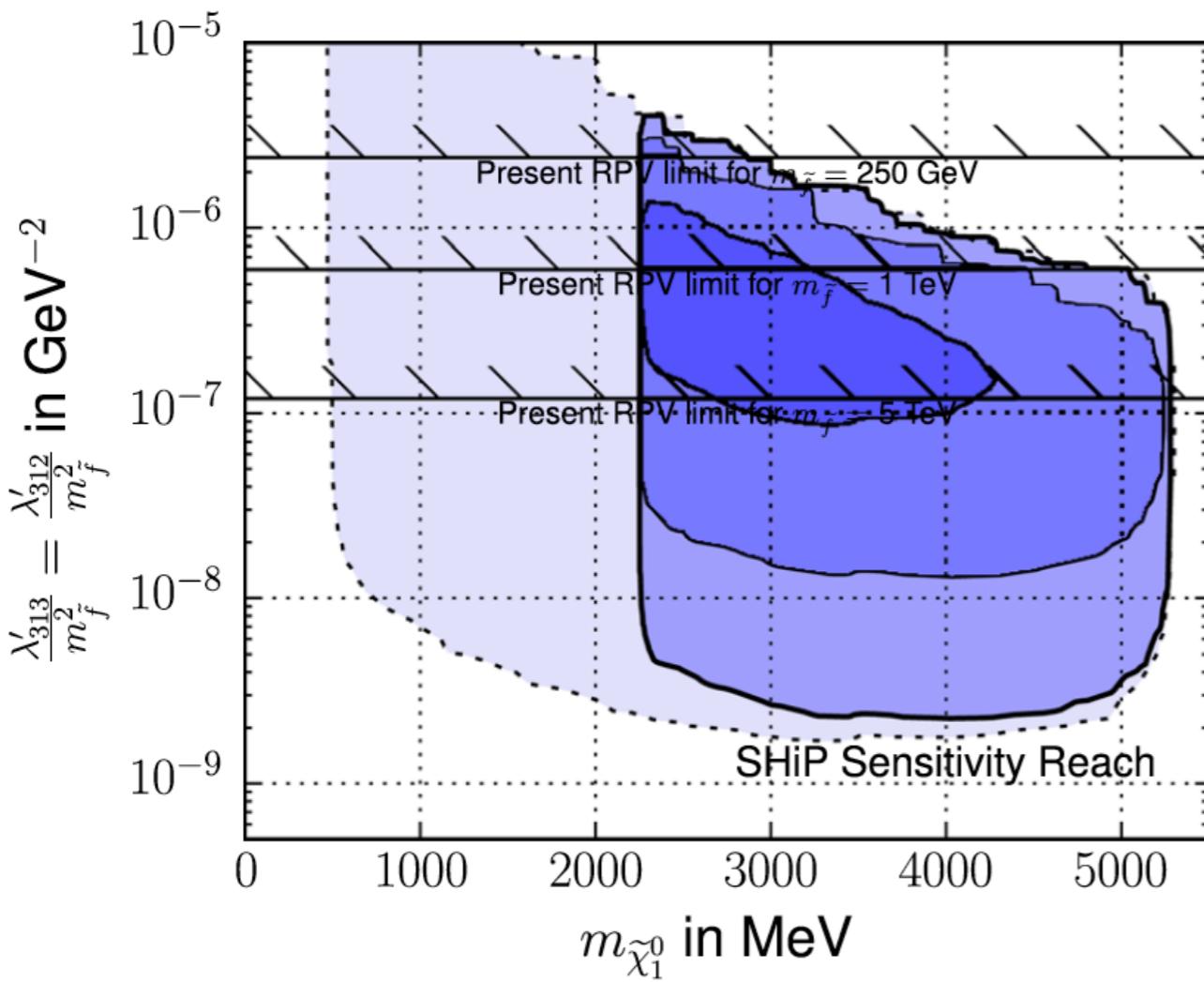
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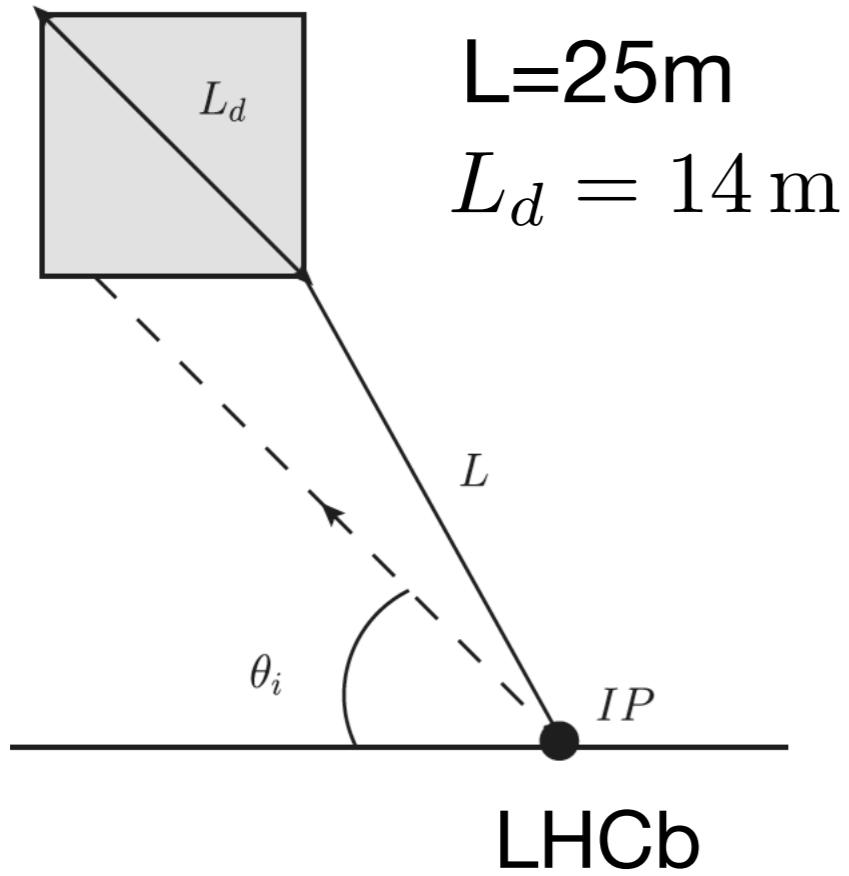
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$\lambda'_P$ for production	$\lambda'_{313}$
$\lambda'_D$ for decay	$\lambda'_{312}$
Produced meson(s)	$B^0, \bar{B}^0, B^\pm (+\tau^\mp)$
Visible final state(s)	$K^\pm \tau^\mp, K^{*\pm} \tau^\mp$
Invisible final state(s) via $\lambda'_P$	None
Invisible final state(s) via $\lambda'_D$	$(K_L^0, K_S^0, K^*) + (\nu, \bar{\nu})$

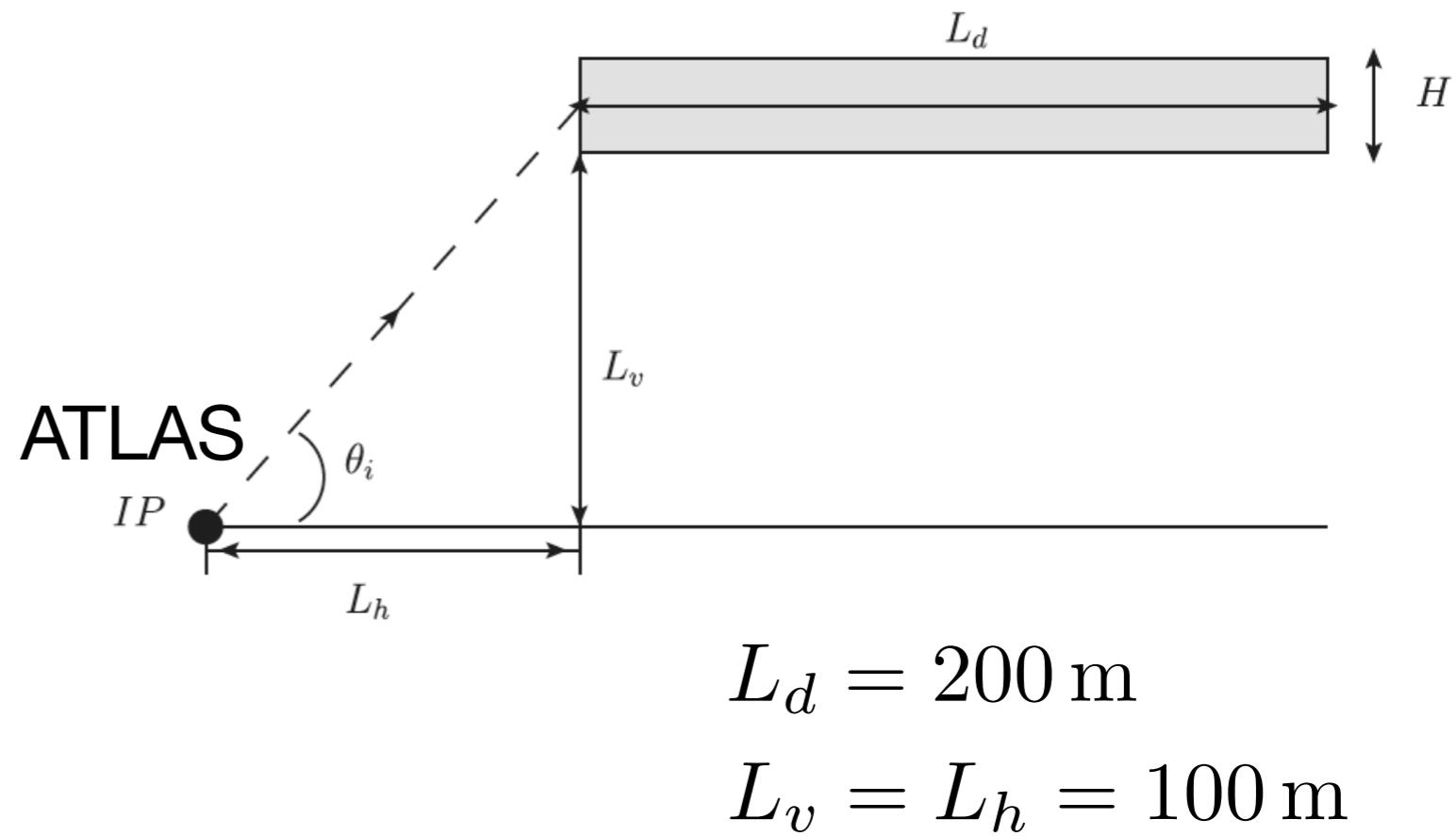
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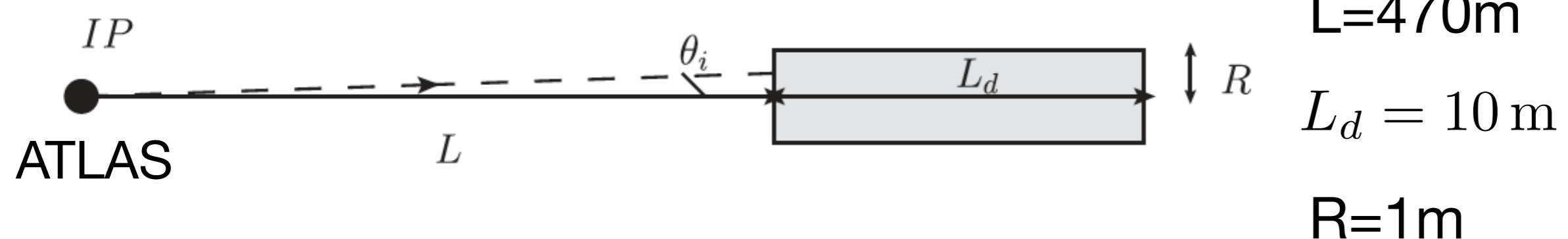
## CODEX-b



## MATHUSLA

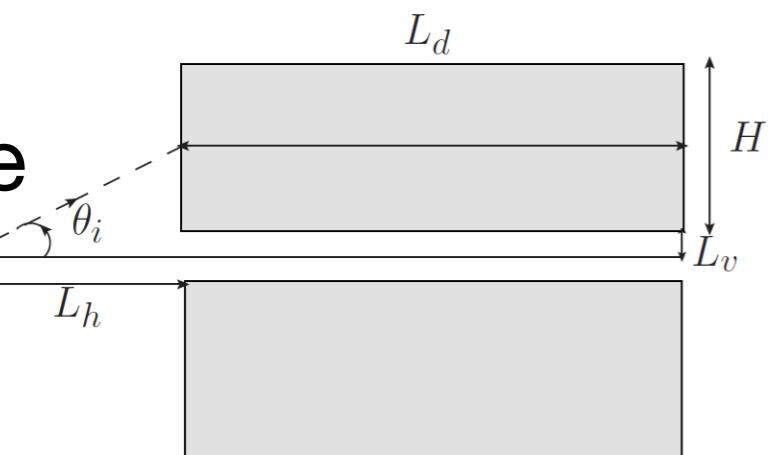


## FASER



# AL3X

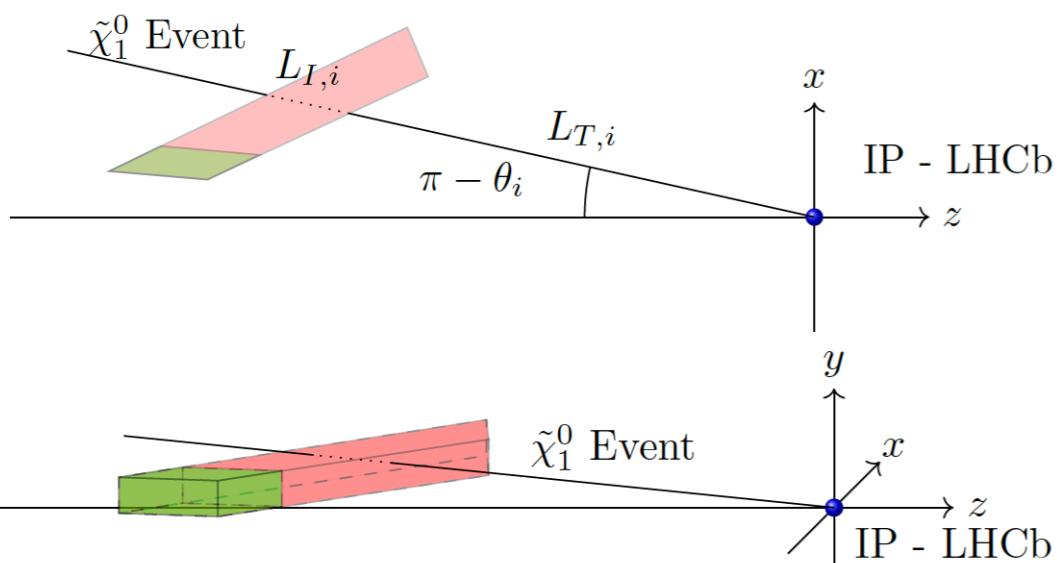
Alice



$$L_d = 12 \text{ m}, \quad L_h = 5.25 \text{ m}$$

$$H = 4.15 \text{ m}$$

# MoEDAL-MAPP



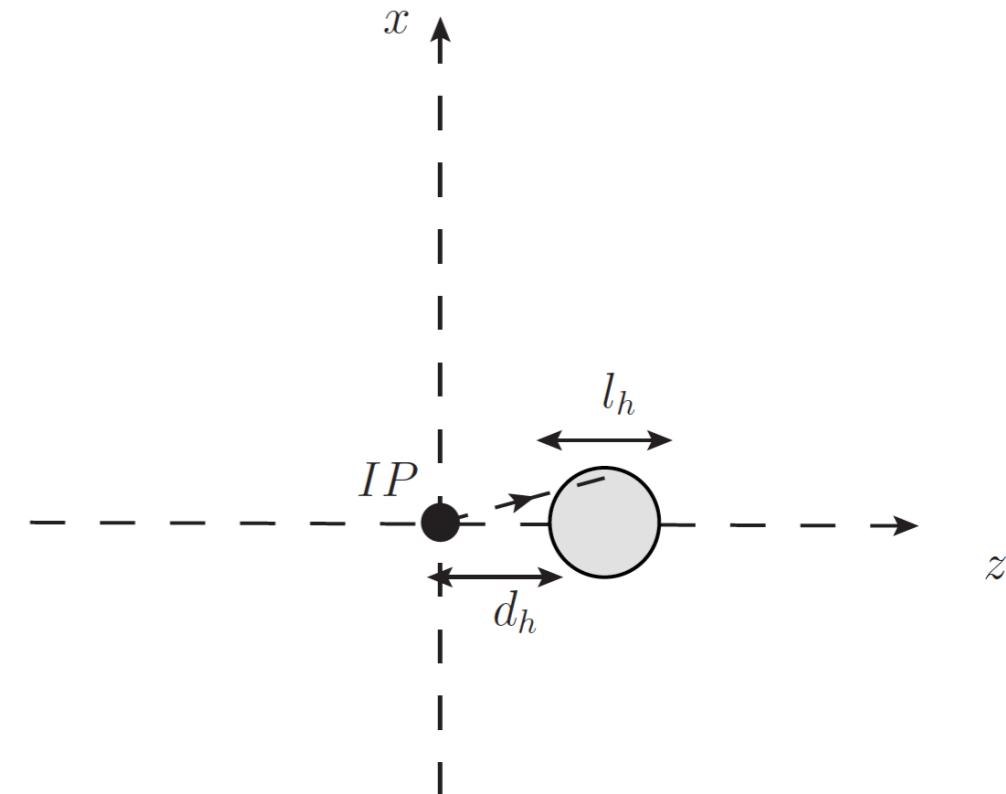
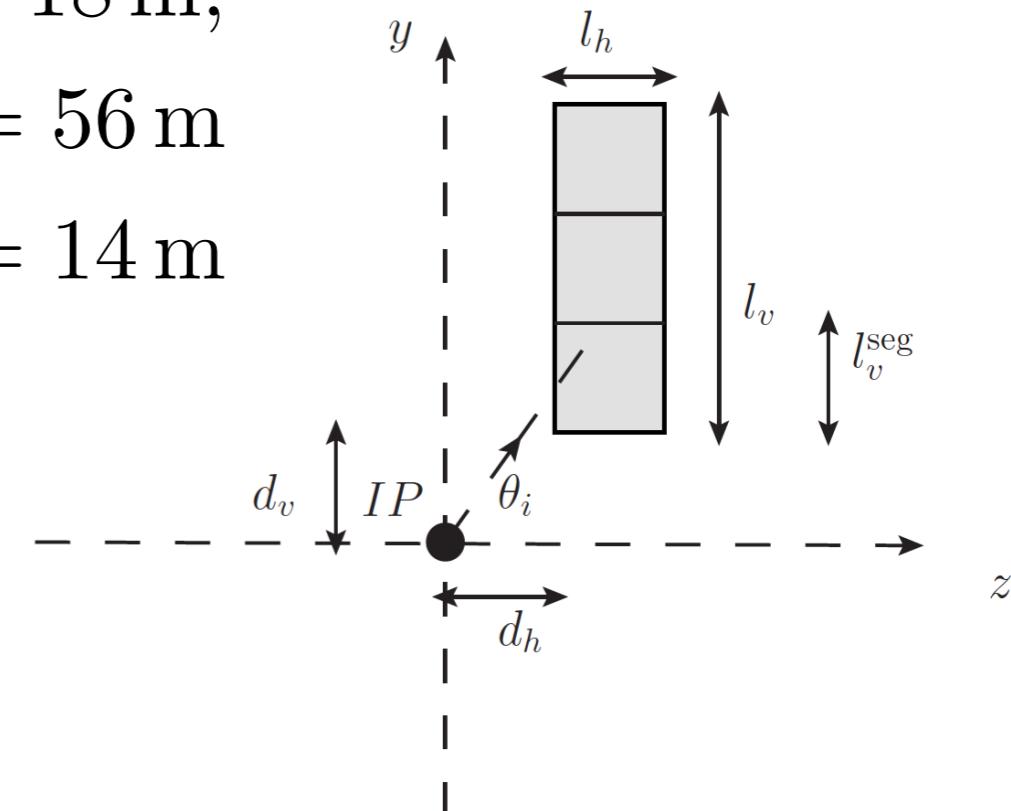
$$L = 55 \text{ m}; \quad \theta = 5^\circ$$

# ANUBIS (Atlas/CMS)

$$l_h = 18 \text{ m},$$

$$l_v = 56 \text{ m}$$

$$d_h = 14 \text{ m}$$

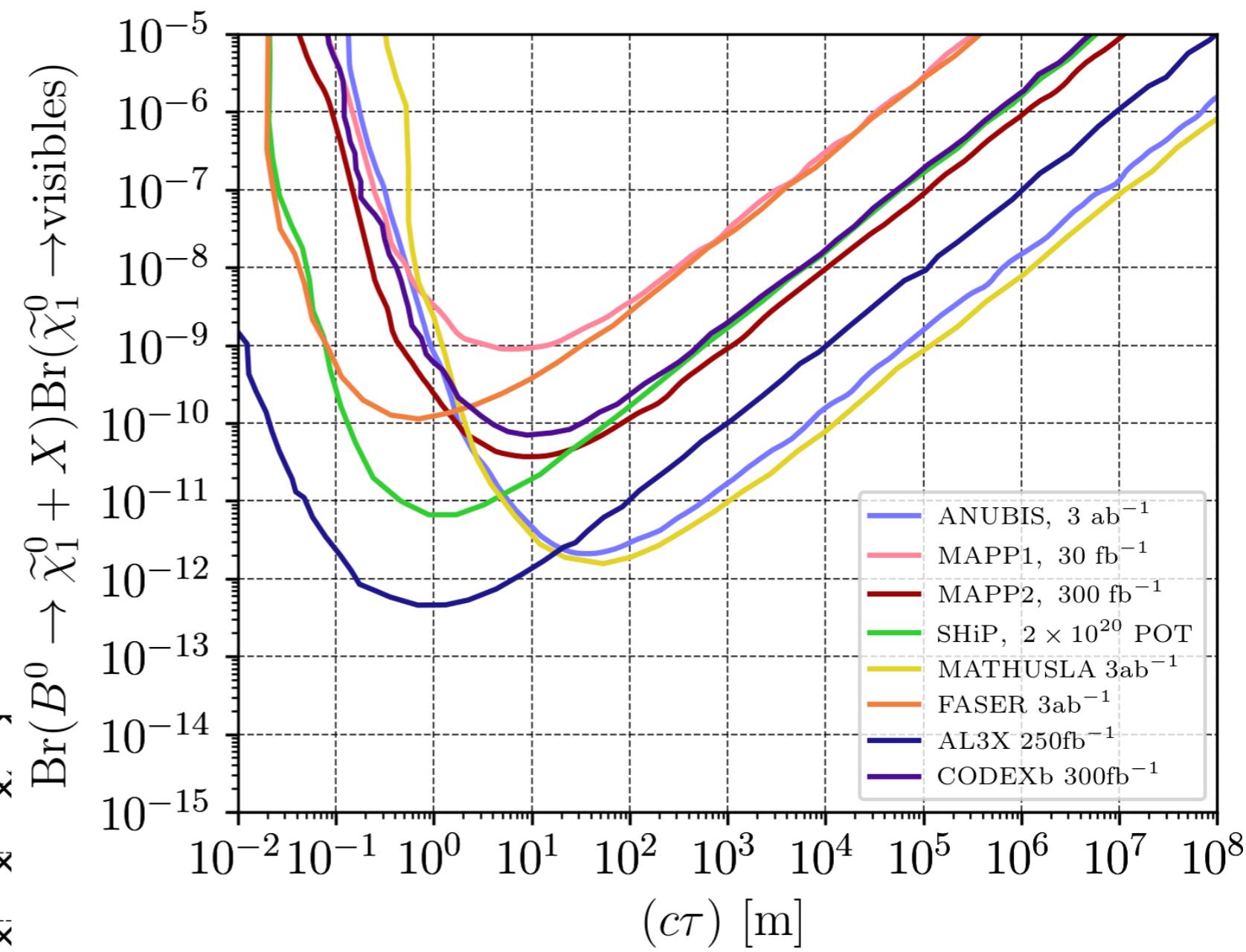
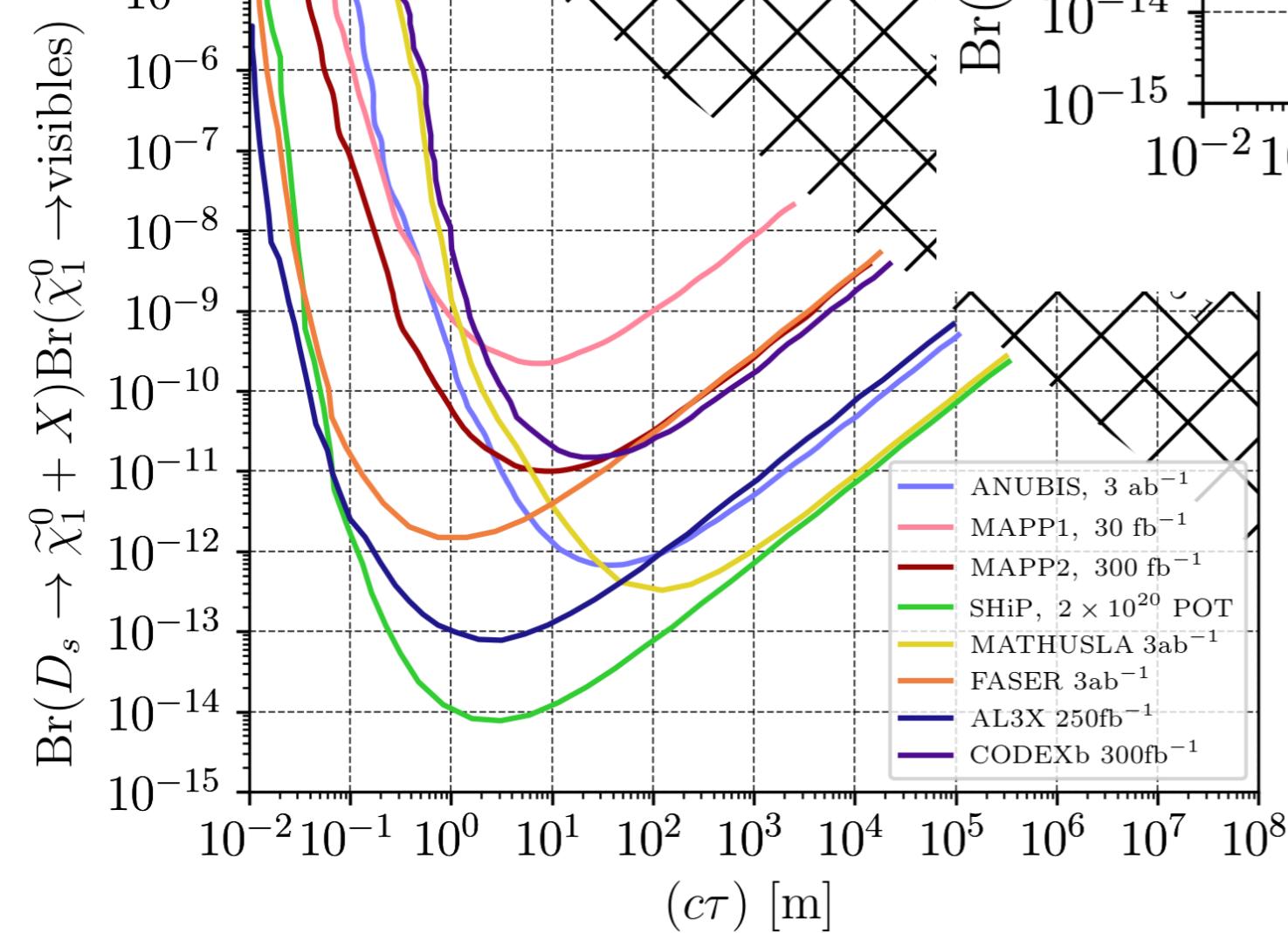


# Basic Parameters of Experiments

Experiment	SHiP	ATLAS	AL3X	ANUBIS	CODEX-b
Int. Lumi.	$2 \times 10^{20}$ POT	$3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	100 or 250 $\text{fb}^{-1}$	$3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
Angular Cov.	0.89%	100%	13.73%	1.79%	1%

Experiment	FASER	FASER2	MAPP1	MAPP2	MATHUSLA
Int. Lumi.	$150 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
Angular Cov.	$1.1 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-6}$	0.17%	0.68%	3.8%



# Right Handed Neutrino N

## Minimal Scenario

- N mixes with SM neutrinos, replace  $\nu$  in SM meson decays by N
- Reverse, also to get N decays

## Extended EFT Scenarios

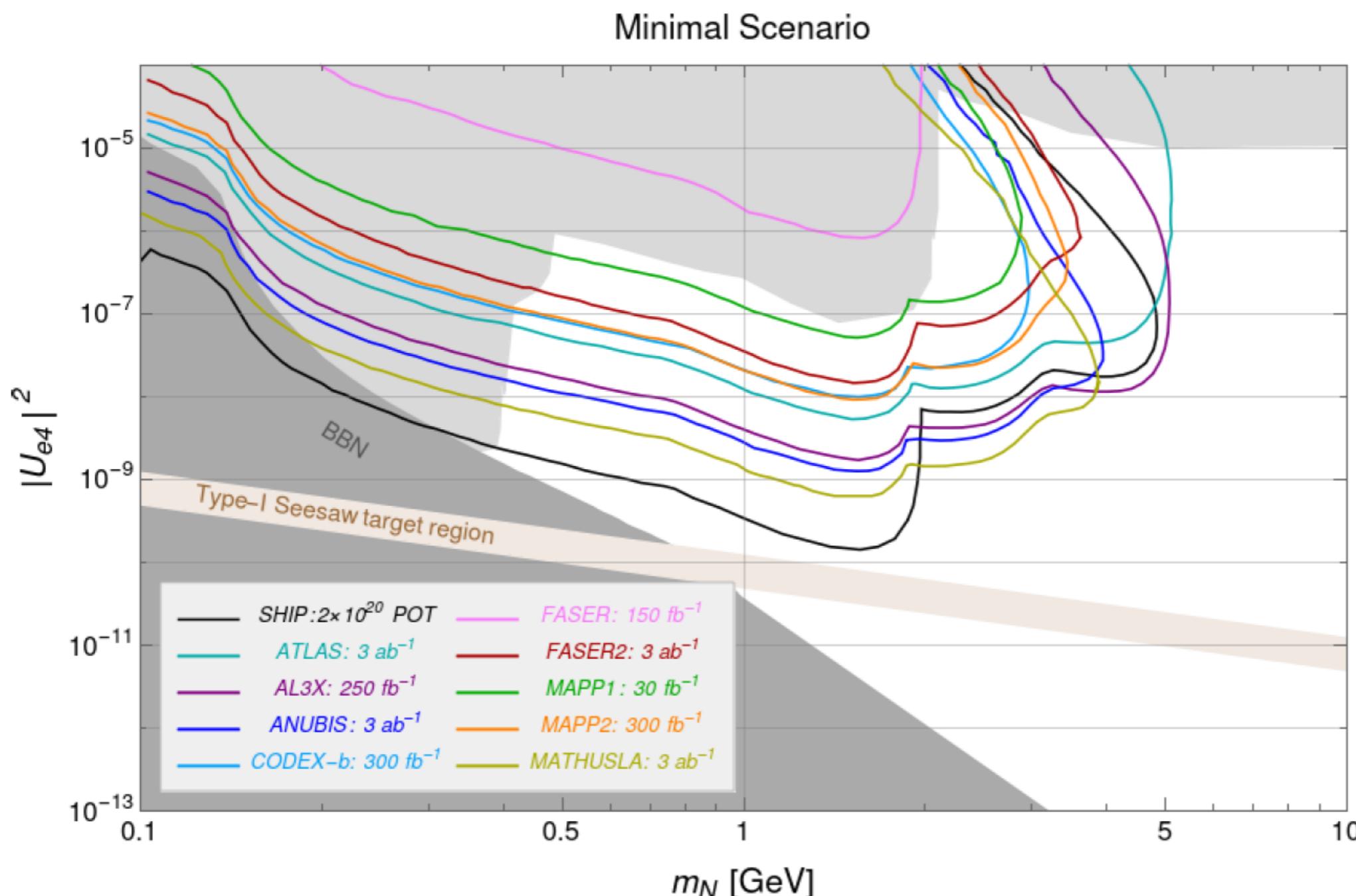
- Extra production and decay modes

Sterile Neutrino Production Modes :

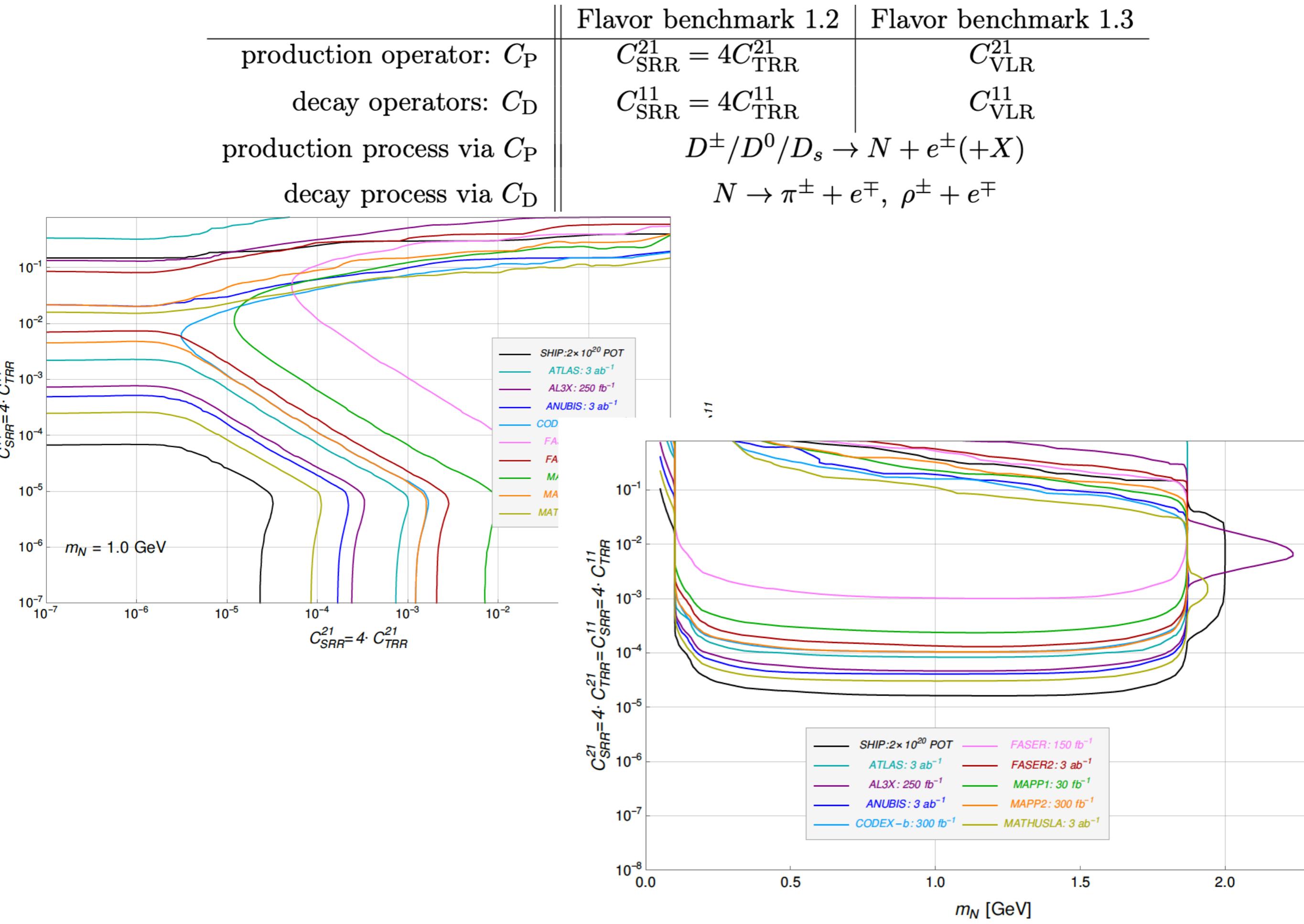
$$\begin{cases} (C_P)_{21} : D \rightarrow N + e (+X), \\ (C_P)_{13} : B \rightarrow N + e (+X). \end{cases}$$

Sterile Neutrino Decay Modes :

$$\begin{cases} (C_D)_{11} : N \rightarrow \pi^\pm + e^\mp, \rho^\pm + e^\mp, \\ (C_D)_{12} : N \rightarrow K^\pm + e^\mp, K^{*\pm} + e^\mp, \\ (C_D)_{21} : N \rightarrow D^\pm + e^\mp, D^{*\pm} + e^\mp. \end{cases}$$

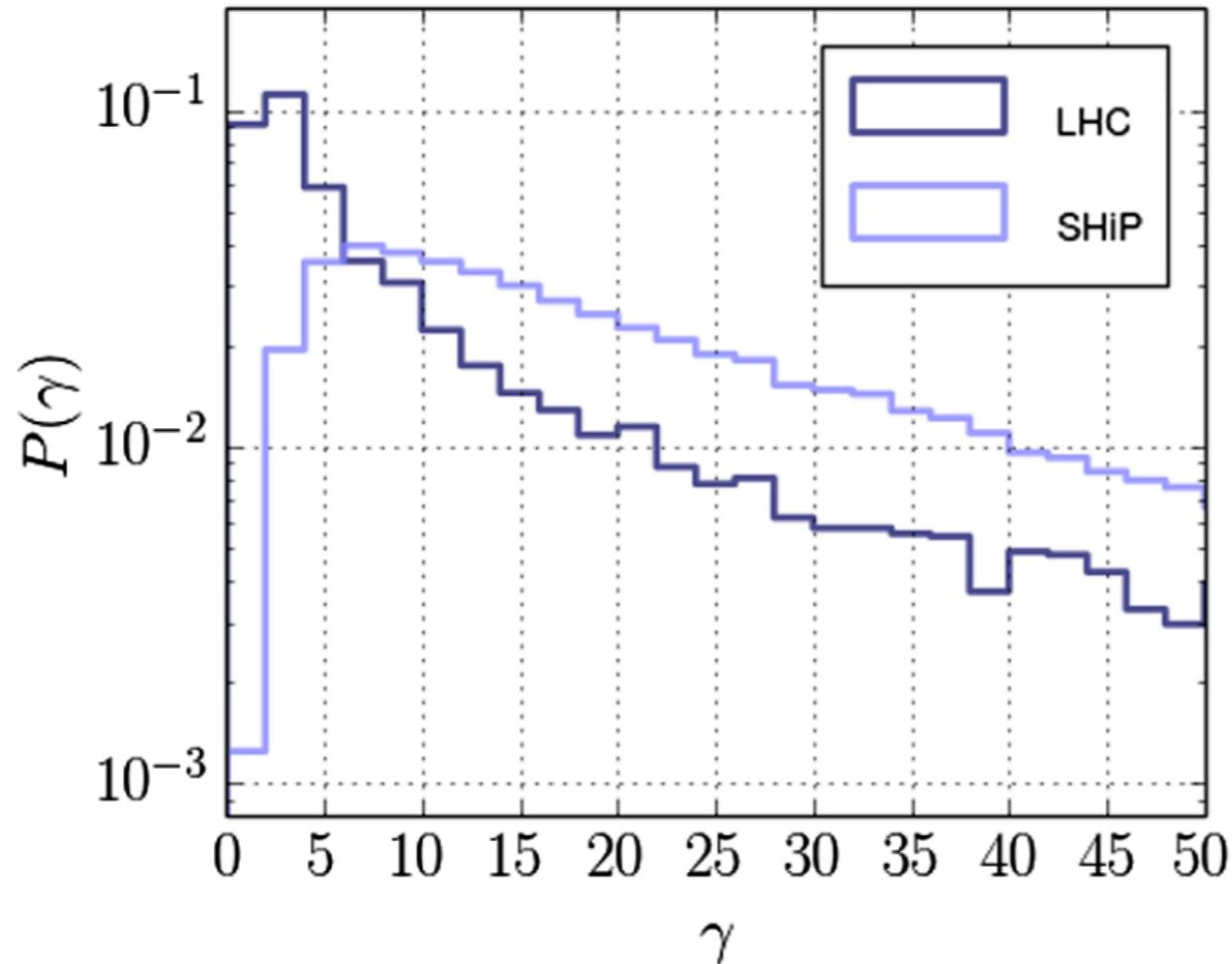


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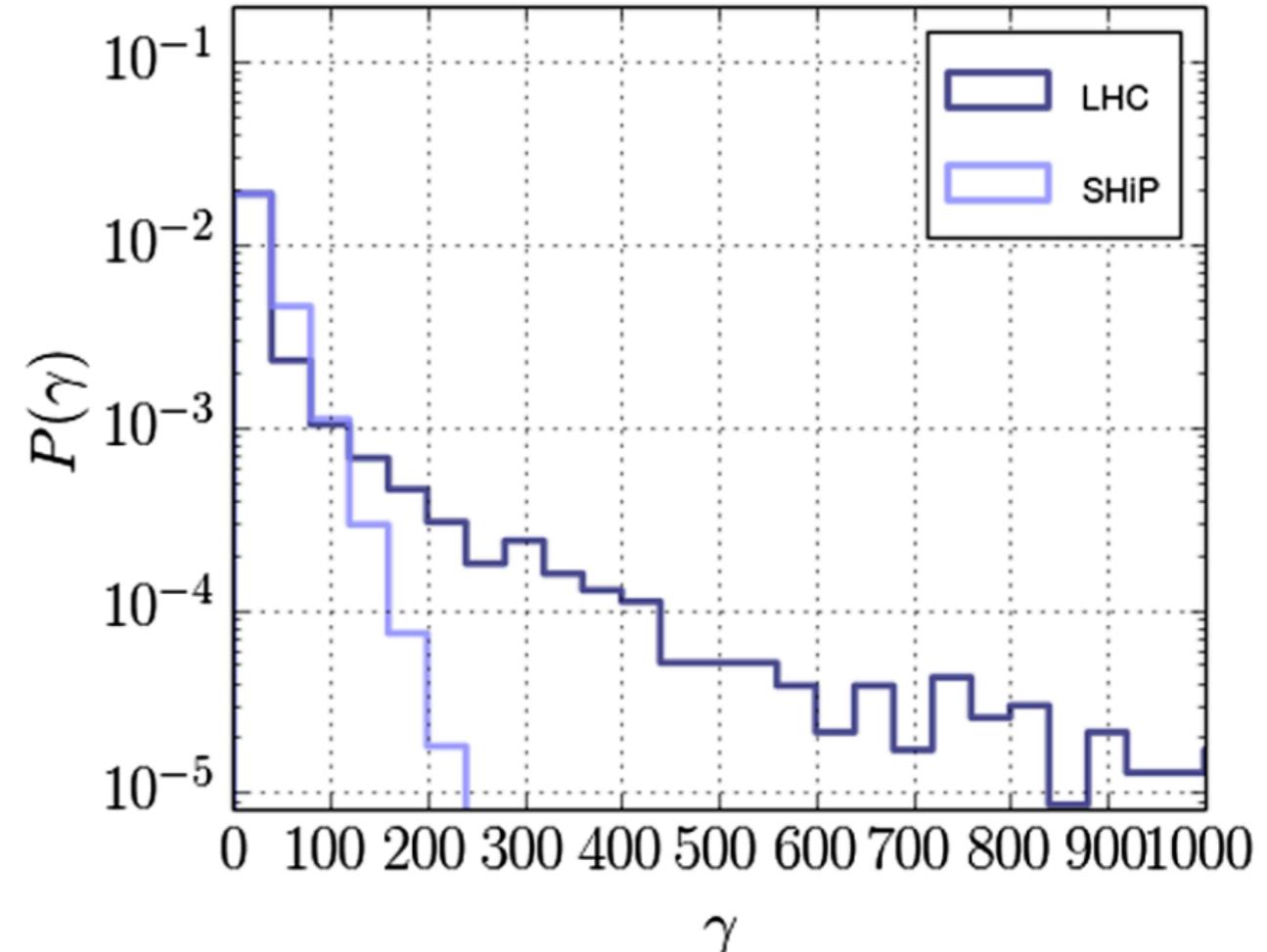
- Much shorter decay length
- high luminosity, high energy
- assumed efficiency:  $10^{-3}$

# Neutralino Boost



$$\langle \gamma \rangle_{\text{SHiP}} = 30$$

$$\gamma_{\text{SHiP}}^{\max} = 7.5$$



$$\langle \gamma \rangle_{\text{ATLAS}} = 55$$

$$\gamma_{\text{ATLAS}}^{\max} = 2.5$$

$$\langle P[\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \text{in d.r.}] \rangle_{\text{SHiP}} = 25 \times \langle P[\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \text{in d.r.}] \rangle_{\text{ATLAS}}$$

$$\sqrt[4]{25} \approx 2.2$$

# Conclusions

- A light neutralino is a well-motivated supersymmetric scenario
- It is typically long-lived
- Have studied the potential for various experiments to search for it

SHiP

ATLAS

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- Similarly for RH Neutrinos