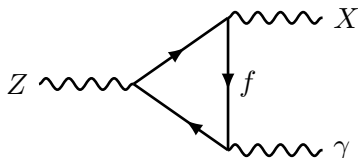


Constraints on non-conserved gauge currents

why UV consistency matters

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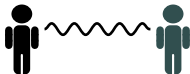


Introduction



- Why **light vectors**?
 - Hidden sectors
 - Experimental hints
- **Generalizing the vector portal**
- Gauging **anomalous symmetries**
 - Non-decoupling heavy fermions
 - Example: baryon number vector
 - Constraints
- Gauging symmetries **broken at tree-level**
 - Axial couplings
 - Weak-isospin violating
 - Mass-mixed with the Z
- “Real life” applications
 - Beryllium anomaly

- The energy frontier has driven the field for the several decades
- Standard Model (SM) able to explain all current data
- Looking in the wrong place?
- New particles below the electroweak scale?
 - ① Light particle could be **mediator** to dark sector



- ② Useful to **explain experimental-anomalies**
- ③ Be open minded: **“Who ordered that?”**





- Scalar portal, ϕ ,

$$\phi |H|^2, \phi^2 |H|^2, \dots$$

- Fermionic portal, N ,

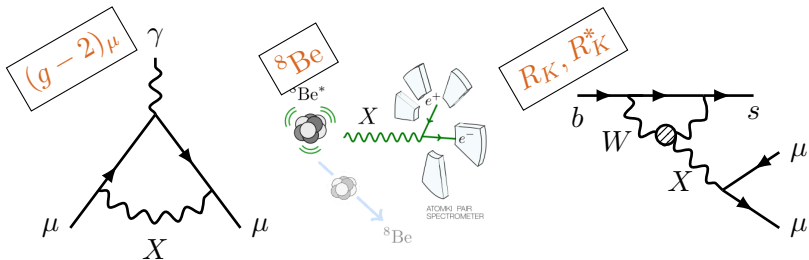
$$HLN, \dots$$

- **Vector portal**, X^μ ,

$$F_{\mu\nu} X^{\mu\nu}, X_\mu J_{B-L}^\mu, X_\mu J_{L_\mu - L_\tau}^\mu, \dots$$


- SM: **EM, $B - L$, $L_\mu - L_\tau$, etc. are conserved**
- Coupling to **conserved** currents \rightarrow straightforward but restrictive
- Relax this requirement?

- Many experimental hints for **new light states**



- Others: proton radius puzzle, 3.5 keV line, ...
- ^8Be anomaly models - **fun application of new constraints**

- Fundamental spin-1 particles are tricky
- Cause amplitudes to grow with energy (\Rightarrow **unitarity violation**)
- e.g.,



A Feynman diagram showing an incoming fermion line labeled 'f' on the left, which then splits into an outgoing fermion line labeled 'f' and a wavy line representing a spin-1 particle labeled 'X'.

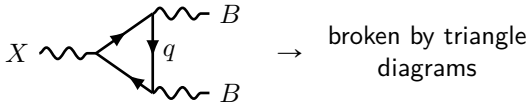
$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\mu \propto \frac{q^\mu}{m_X} \sim \frac{E}{m_X}$$

- $1/m_X$ behavior consequence of non-conserved current:

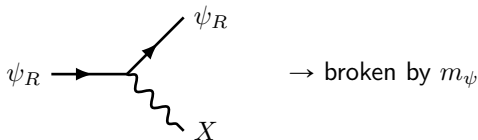
$$\partial_\mu j^{\mu 5} = 2im_\psi \bar{\psi} \gamma^5 \psi$$

- Avoid growth by choosing charges of a symmetry
- Safe choices \rightarrow good symmetries of SM

- We can gauge symmetries **broken in the SM!**
- Breaking can be
 - at **quantum-level** (e.g., baryon number vector)



- at **tree level** (e.g., axial couplings)

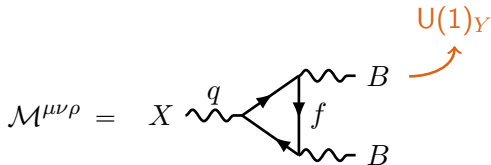


- $\partial_\mu J_X^\mu \neq 0$ leads to rates enhanced by $(E/m_X)^2$
 - \Rightarrow unitarity violation

- Focus on symmetries violated by the chiral anomaly
- Can see breaking at amplitude level using Ward Identity:

$$q_\rho \mathcal{M}^\rho(q) = 0$$

- **Chiral anomaly:**

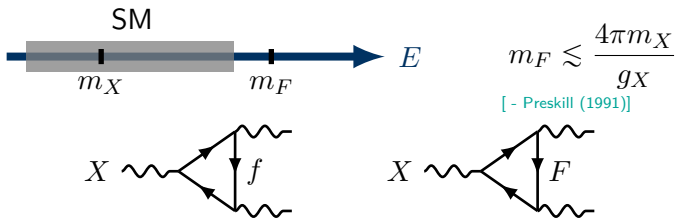


- UV divergent: chose regulator which preserves SM

$$q_\rho \mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu\rho} = \frac{g_X g'^2}{12\pi^2} \sum_{f \in \text{quarks}} X_f Y_f^2 \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} k_\rho p_\sigma$$

- Now study assumption further

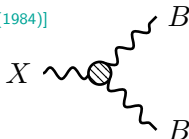
- Introduce heavy $U(1)_X$ chiral fermions (SM-chiral ruled out)



Cancel anomaly: $\sum_f X_f Y_f^2 = - \sum_F X_F Y_F^2$

[- D'Hoker, Farhi (1984)]

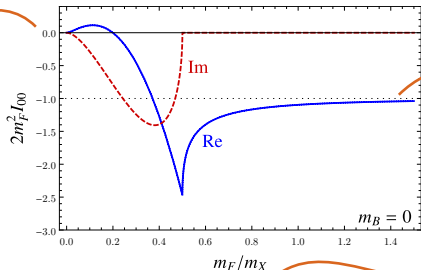
- But these fermions don't decouple!
- For $E \ll m_F$ have effective interactions:



- Massless SM + new fermions, F :

$$-q_\rho \mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu\rho} = \left(0 + \frac{g'^2 g_X}{12\pi^2} \sum_F 2m_F^2 I_{00}(m_F) X_F Y_F^2 \right) \epsilon^{\nu\rho\lambda\sigma} p_\lambda k_\sigma$$

anomaly cancelled



constant value
for $m_F \gg m_X$!

$$\lim_{m_F \gg m_X} q_\rho \mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu\rho} = -\frac{g'^2 g_X}{12\pi^2} \sum_F X_F Y_F^2 \epsilon^{\nu\rho\lambda\sigma} p_\lambda k_\sigma = -\sum_f X_f Y_f^2$$

3-pt vertex

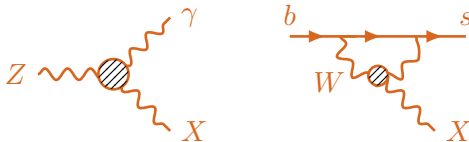


- How to derive 3-pt interaction in SM+ X EFT?
- Regulator uniquely determines assumption about UV
- In full theory chose regulator **valid for energy** $\rightarrow \infty$
- Impossible in the SM+ X EFT
- Can choose:
 - ① **EFT breaks $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$** (heavy fermions are SM-chiral)
 - ② **EFT breaks $U(1)_X$** (heavy fermions are $U(1)_X$ -chiral)
- If EFT breaks EW symmetry
 - Heavy fermions get mass from Higgs
 - **ruled out**
- Alternatively, EFT breaks $U(1)_X$
 - leads to amplitudes growing with **energy/ m_X** !

- Longitudinal model dominates, $X_\mu \rightarrow \partial_\mu \varphi / m_X$
- Triangle diagrams arise from (assuming EFT breaks $U(1)_X$),

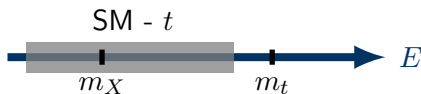
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{g_X}{16\pi^2 m_X} \left[\sum_f X_f Y_f^2 \right] \varphi (g^2 W^a \tilde{W}^a - g'^2 B \tilde{B})$$

- Need to add to \mathcal{L}_X !
- New processes: [\[JD,Pospelov,Lasenby - 1705.06726\]](#)



- These grow with energy, $\mathcal{M} \propto E/m_X$!

① What happens with $B - L$ below m_t ?



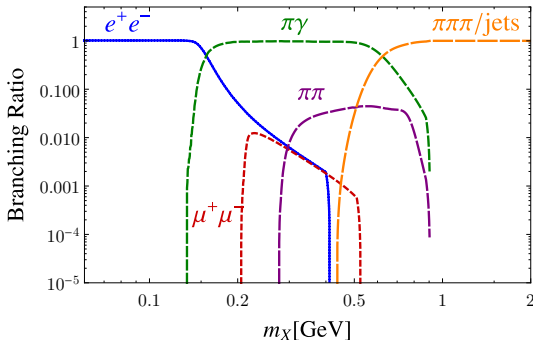
- Theory appears anomalous
 - $B - L$ is good symmetry \rightarrow can't exist "anomalous" interactions
 - Integrating out top breaks EW (**top is EW chiral**)
 - Below m_t , $\partial_\mu J_{EW}^\mu \neq 0$ but $\partial_\mu J_X^\mu = 0$
 - Rates "enhanced" by E^2/m_W^2 (not E^2/m_X^2 !)
- ② What if $m_F \ll m_Z$?
- No 3-pt diagram but collider constraints $\Rightarrow m_F \gtrsim 100$ GeV
- ③ What about $\varphi \tilde{F} F$ and $\varphi \tilde{G} G$?
- All interactions are vector-like \rightarrow no chiral anomaly

- The X Lagrangian looks like,

$$\frac{m_X^2}{2} X^2 + \frac{g_X}{3} X^\mu \sum_i \bar{q}_i \gamma_\mu q_i + \frac{3g_X}{32\pi^2} \frac{\varphi}{m_X} (g^2 W^a \tilde{W}^a - g'^2 B \tilde{B})$$

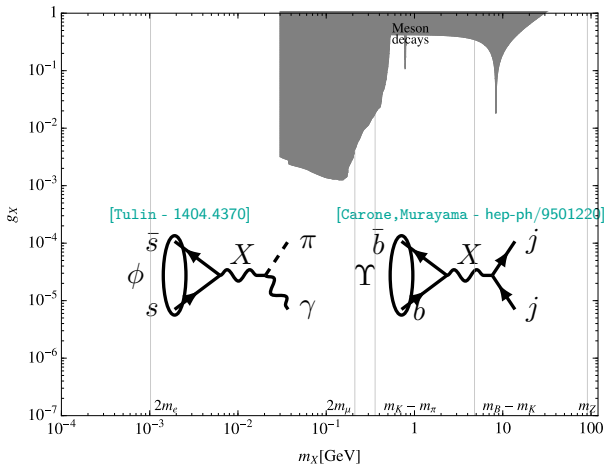
- X can decay:

[1404.4370 - Tulin]

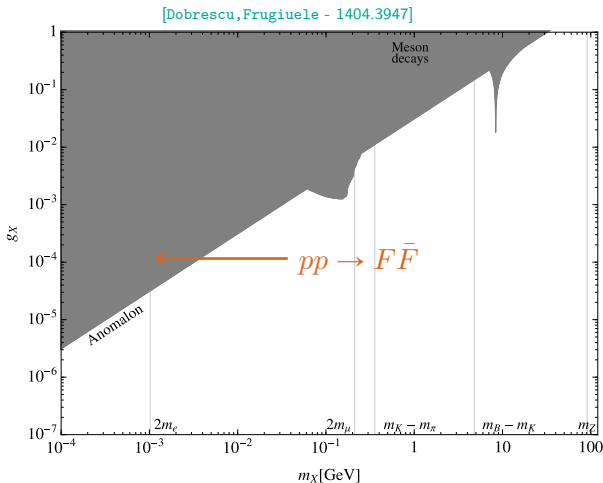


Constraints

- Non-enhanced limits:

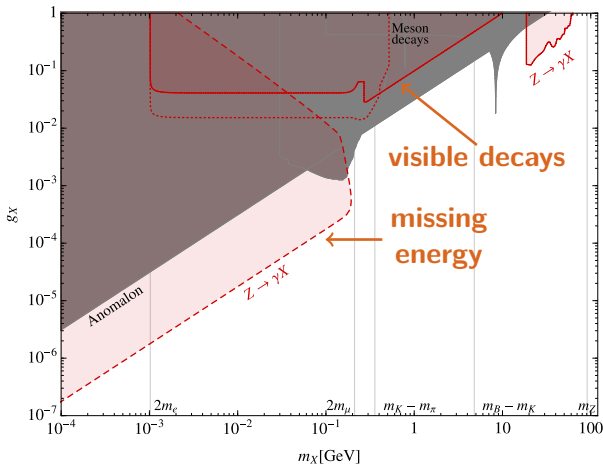


- Direct searches for heavy fermions:



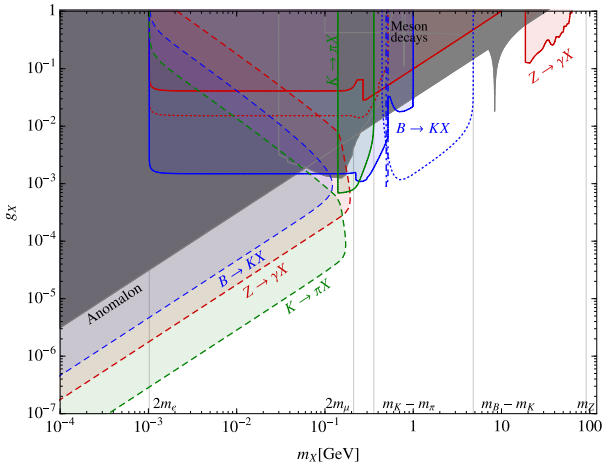
○ $Z \rightarrow X\gamma$:

[JD, Pospelov, Lasenby - 1705.06726]



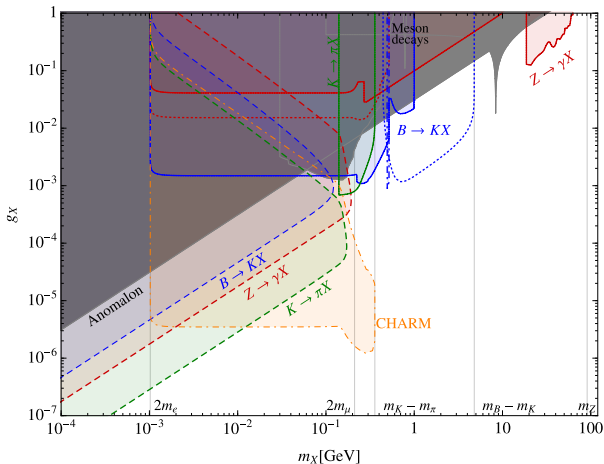
- $B \rightarrow KX$ (not just K^* !), $K \rightarrow \pi X$:

[JD, Pospelov, Lasenby - 1705.06726]
 [Recast of - Babar, Belle, LHCb]



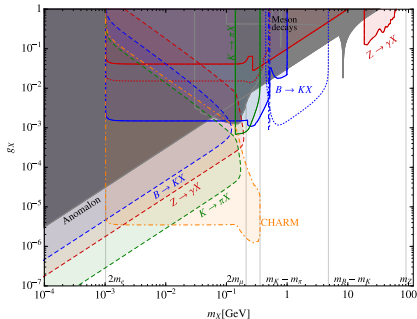
- Beam dump:

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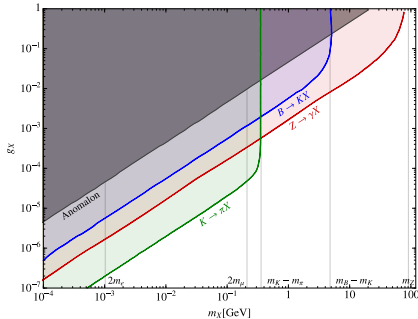


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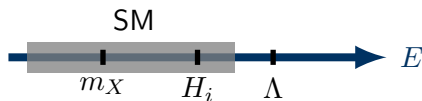


X decays to dark sector



Tree-level breaking

- Amplitudes grow with energy... **even at tree-level**
- Need modification of EW sector

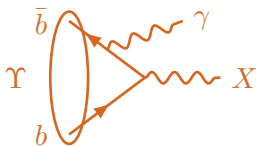


$$\Lambda \lesssim m_X/g_X$$

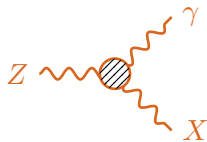
- Below this scale, $\partial_\mu J_X^\mu \neq 0!$
- For $E \ll \Lambda$:

$$\mathcal{M} \propto E/m_X$$

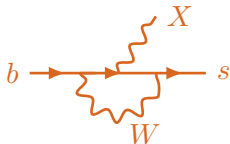
- X can have axial couplings to SM fermions
- m_f are $\overline{U(1)}_X$
- Still have $\overline{U(1)}_X$ -chiral anomaly (now with $F\tilde{F}$ and $G\tilde{G}$)



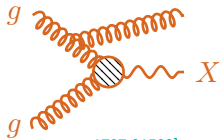
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- SM+axial, e.g.,

$$\mathcal{L} \supset H \bar{L}_L e_R + X_\mu \bar{e}_R \gamma^\mu e_R$$

- Not UV complete
- Need to charge Higgs under $U(1)_X$
- **Benchmark model: $U(1)_R$**
- Still need heavy fermions to cure anomaly

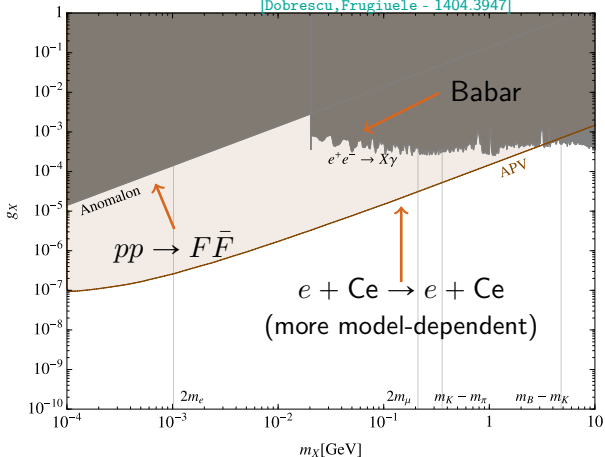
[1609.02188 - Ismail,Keung,Tsao,Unwin]
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- Non-enhanced limits:

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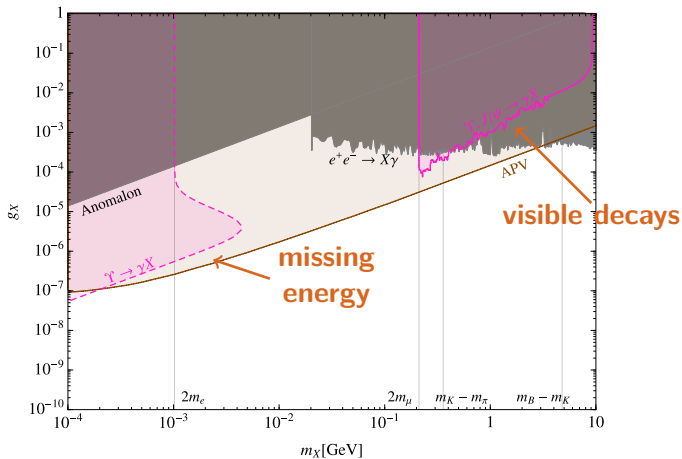
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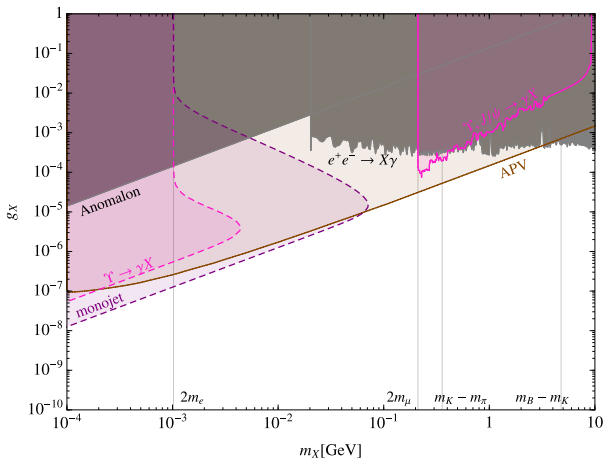
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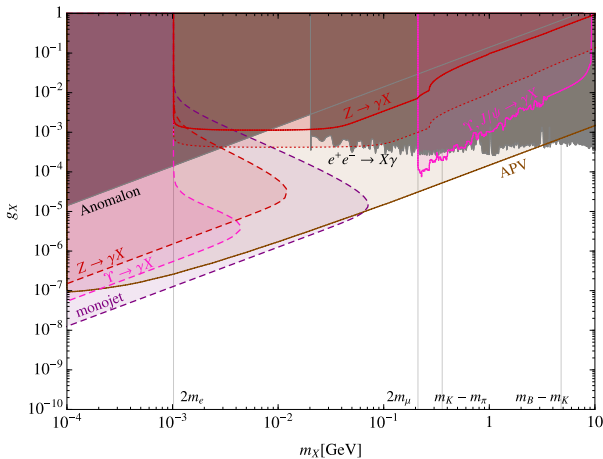
- Monojet (using $\varphi \tilde{G}G$):

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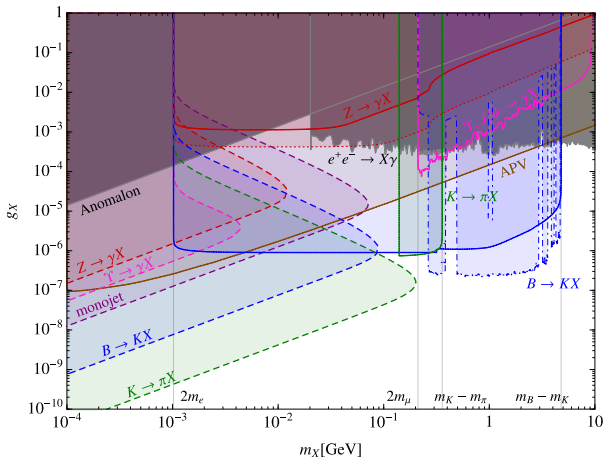
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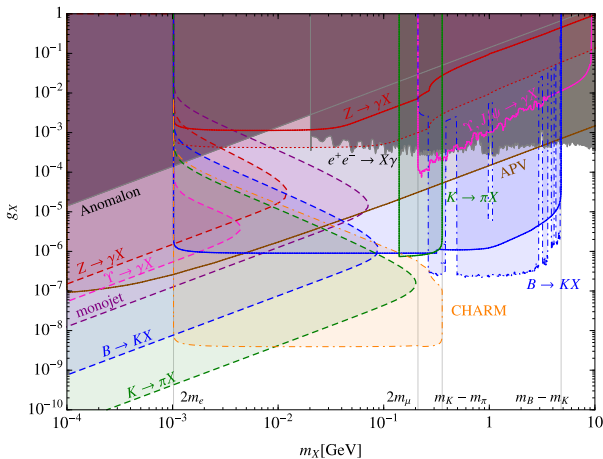
○ FCNC:

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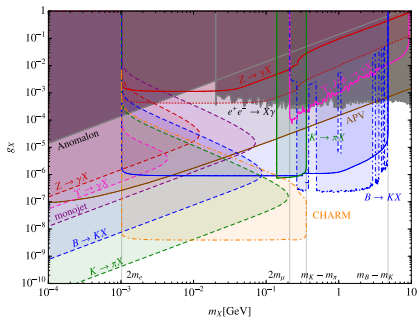
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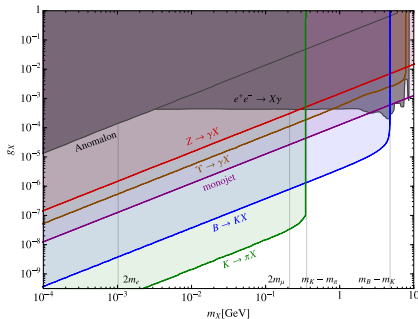


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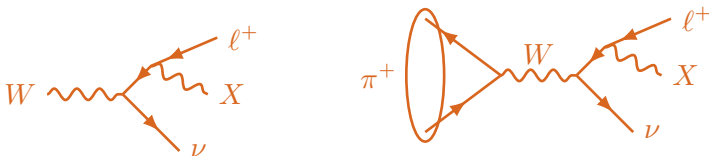
X decays to SM



X decays to dark sector



- Can build models that charged current violates $U(1)_X$
- Occurs if couple only one particle of $SU(2)$ doublet to X
- Enhanced processes:



[Karshenboim, McKeen, Pospelov - 1401.6154]

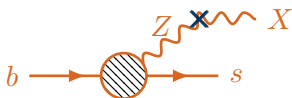
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- $\pi^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu X$ is particularly stringent
- SM rate for $\pi^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu (\gamma^* \rightarrow e^+ e^-) \propto m_e^2$ (at tree-level)
- Not the case for X rate

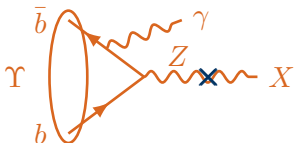
- X could couple to EW sector (other than kinetic mixing)
- Such couplings are not $U(1)_X$ invariant
- Prominent example: mass-mixing:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \varepsilon_Z m_Z^2 X_\mu Z^\mu$$

- Typical for generic light vector model
- Enhanced rates, $\propto \varepsilon_Z$

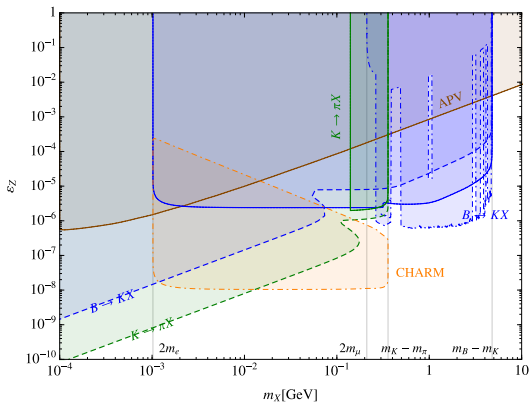


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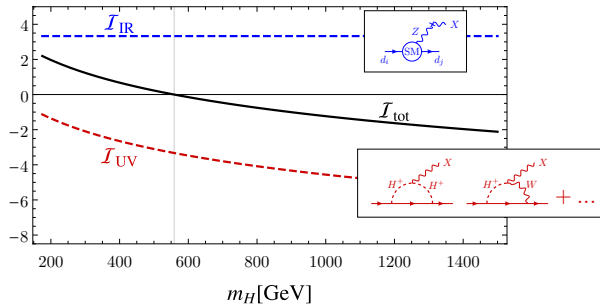
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- Constraints on a mass-mixing are tricky
- Mixing is not EW-gauge invariant!
- Leads to log-enhanced FCNCs



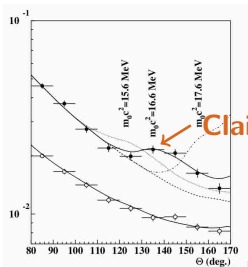
- 2HDM for mass-mixing
[1203.2947 - Davoudiasl et al]
- $m_H \gg m_W \gg m_X$
- standard motivation for APV
- FCNC from IR and UV
- $g_{d_i d_j X} \propto \mathcal{I}_{\text{IR}} + \mathcal{I}_{\text{UV}}$

Particle	SM	U(1) _X
H_1	✓	×
H_2	✓	✓
H_d	×	✓



Applications

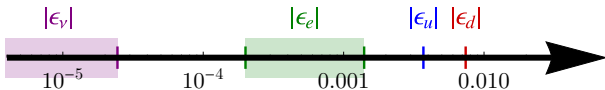
- Excess in ${}^8\text{Be}^* \rightarrow \text{Be} e^+ e^-$ in m_{ee} (or θ_{ee}) [1504.01527 - Krasznahorkay et al]
[1604.0741 - Feng et al]



[1609.01669 - Ellwanger, Moretti]

- New physics explanation: **vector**/pseudoscalar
- Unusual vector: $\mathcal{L} \supset \sum e e_f \bar{f} \gamma^\mu f X_\mu$ “anomalies to fix anomalies”

[1608.03591 - Feng et al]





- Explaining the Beryllium anomaly requires some vector gymnastics
- Requires $|\epsilon_e| \sim \epsilon_u \simeq -2\epsilon_d, \epsilon_\nu \simeq 0$
- Idea: gauge baryon number with introduce kinetic mixing.
 - Sets $\epsilon_\nu \rightarrow 0!$ [1608.03591 - Feng et al]
 - Can tune ϵ_u to cancel ϵ_d
- But predicts...

$$\text{Br}(K \rightarrow \pi(X \rightarrow \text{inv})) \simeq 10^{-5} \left(\frac{g_X}{10^{-3}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{17 \text{ MeV}}{m_X} \right)^2$$

$$\left[\text{Limit : Br}(K \rightarrow \pi + \text{inv}) \simeq (2 \pm 1) \times 10^{-10} \right]$$

[E949 - 2008]



- Idea: $B - L$ without neutrino coupling can explain anomaly
[1608.03591 - Feng et al]
- Use mass-mixing to eliminate neutrino coupling
- Require $g_X \sim 10^{-3}$
- Model has weak-isospin violation ($W\ell\nu$ does not preserve $U(1)_X$)

$$\text{Br}(\pi^+ \rightarrow e^+\nu(X \rightarrow e^+e^-)) \simeq 10^{-7} \left(\frac{17\text{MeV}}{m_X}\right)^2 \left(\frac{g_X}{10^{-3}}\right)^2$$

$$\left[\text{Limit : } \text{Br}(\pi^+ \rightarrow e^+\nu e^+e^-) \simeq \lesssim 3 \times 10^{-9} \right]$$

[SINDRUM Collaboration - 1989]



- Idea: axially-coupled vector [1612.01525 - Kozaczuk, Morrissey, Stroberg]
- Changes all the constraints
- Allows for somewhat smaller couplings $g_X^u \sim g_X^d \sim 10^{-4-5}$
- But...

$$\text{Br}(B \rightarrow K(X \rightarrow e^+e^-)) \simeq 0.1 \left(\frac{17\text{MeV}}{m_X} \right)^2 \left(\frac{g_X}{10^{-5}} \right)^2$$

$$\left[\text{Limit : } \delta\text{Br}(B \rightarrow Ke^+e^-) \lesssim 10^{-7} \right]$$

[BaBar Collaboration - 0807.4119]

- Can gauge non-conserved currents
- Broken at loop level?
 - Dangerous!
- Broken at tree level?
 - More dangerous!
- **Constraints grow with energy!**
- **FCNC's dominate for $m_X \lesssim m_B$**
- Rule out most ^8Be anomaly models
- Moral:



careful what you gauge!