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## Probing Light Mediators in the Radiative Emission of Neutrino Pair

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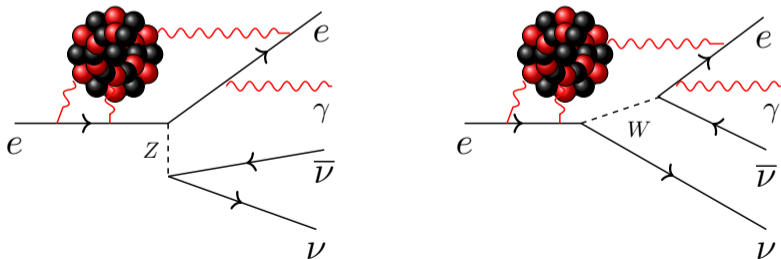
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$m_\nu$  ordering and scale, non-unitary, BSM interactions and maybe neutrino mixing and nature



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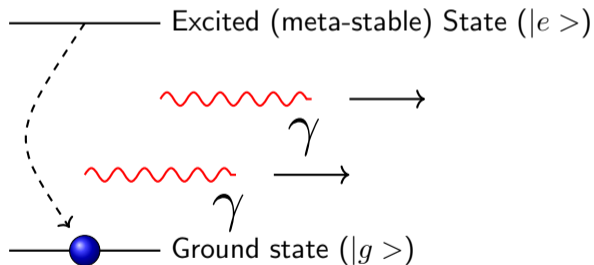
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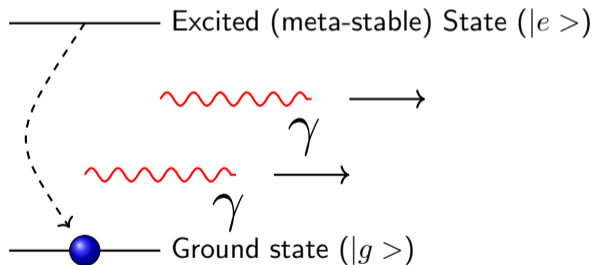
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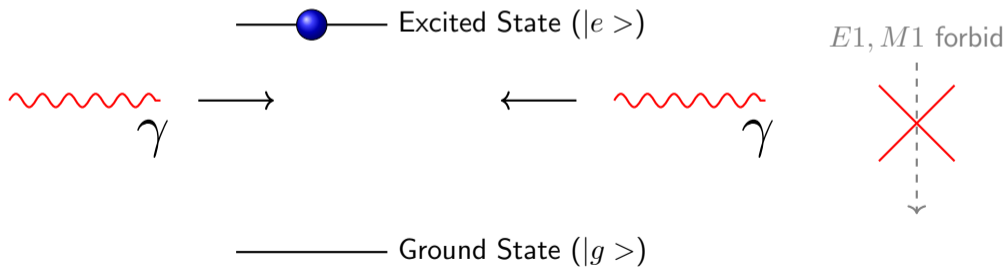
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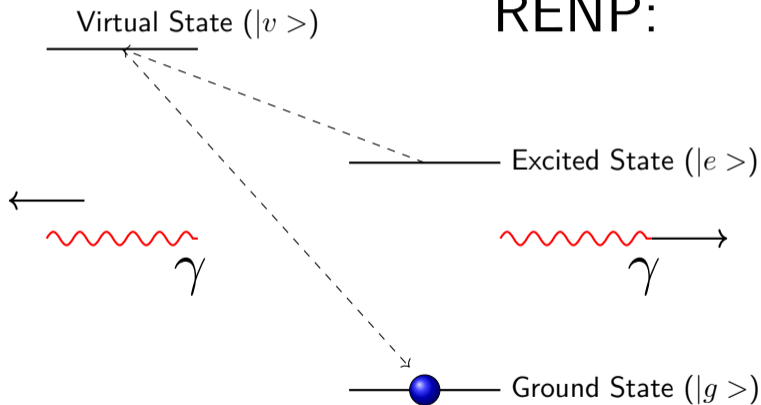
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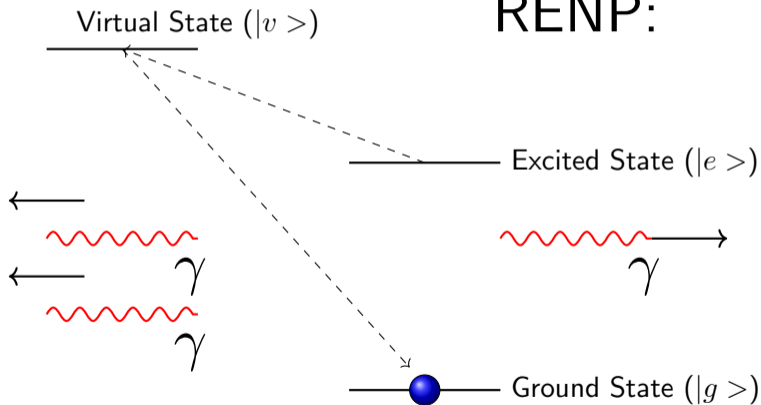
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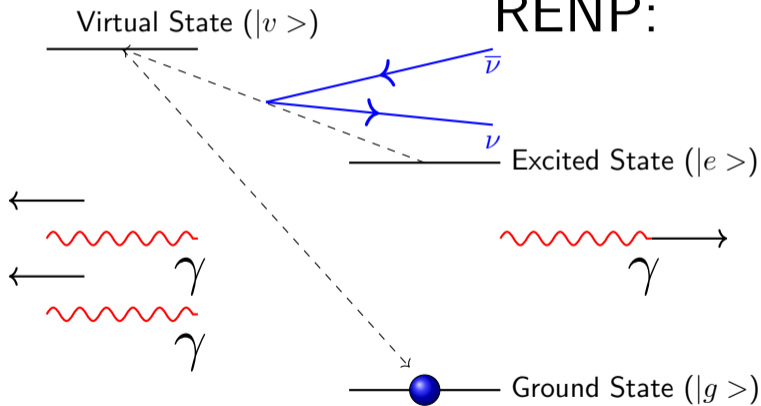
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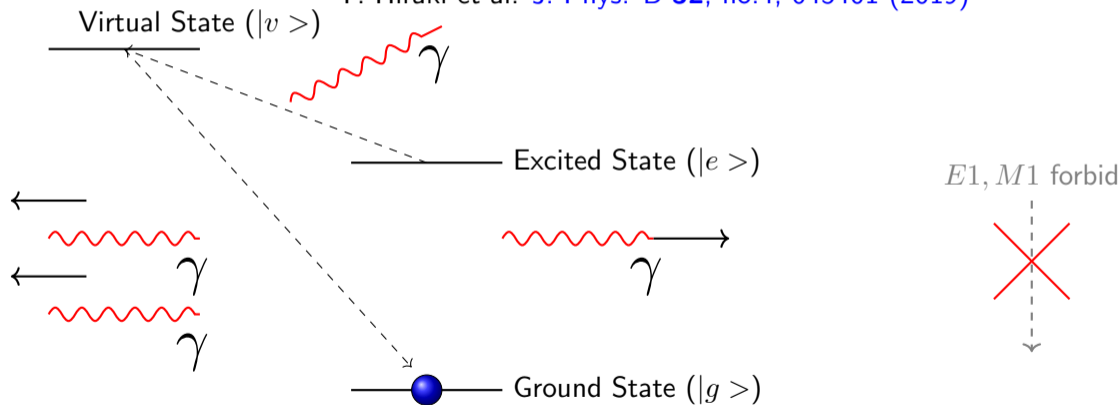


$E1 \times M1$  transition

## Neutrino LASER?

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The # of photons from de transition depends on  $\omega$ .

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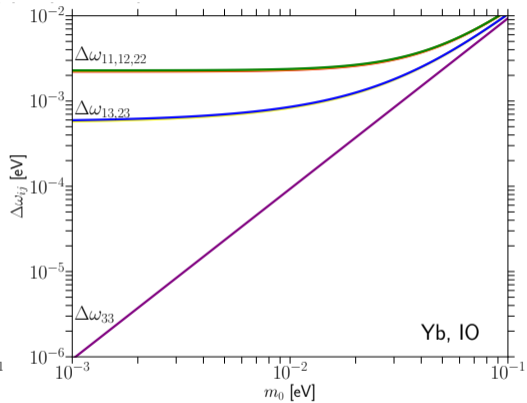
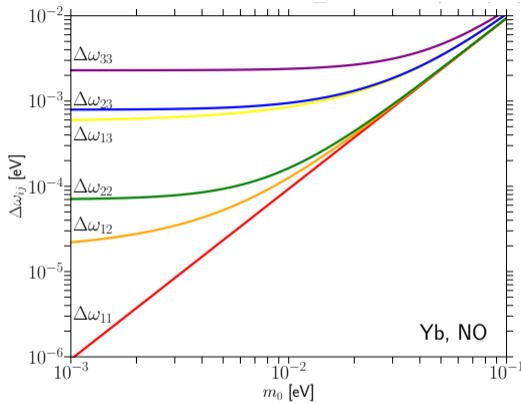
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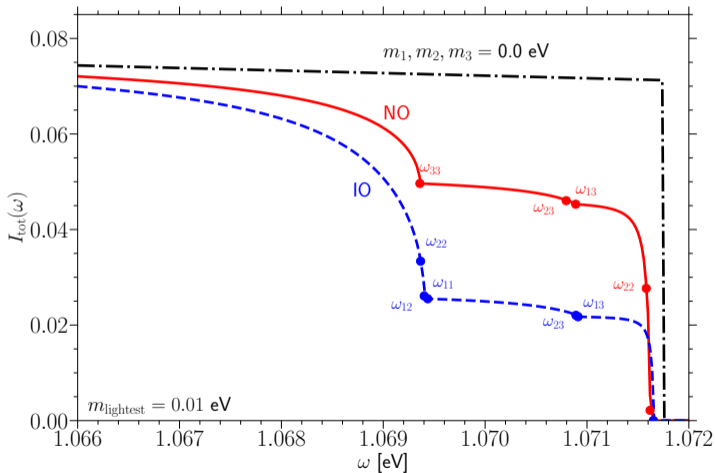
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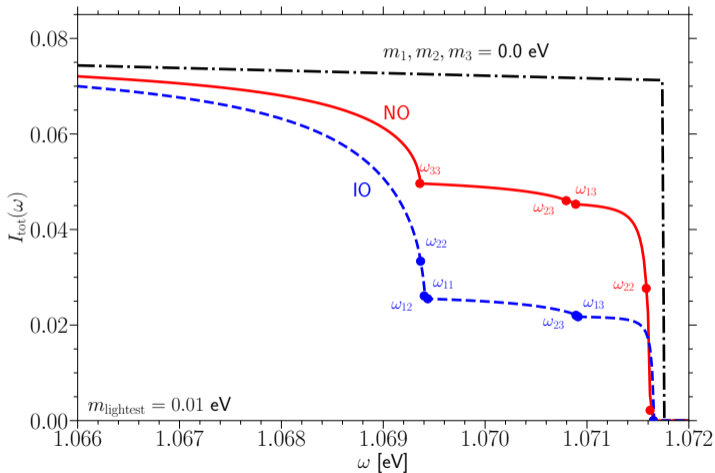
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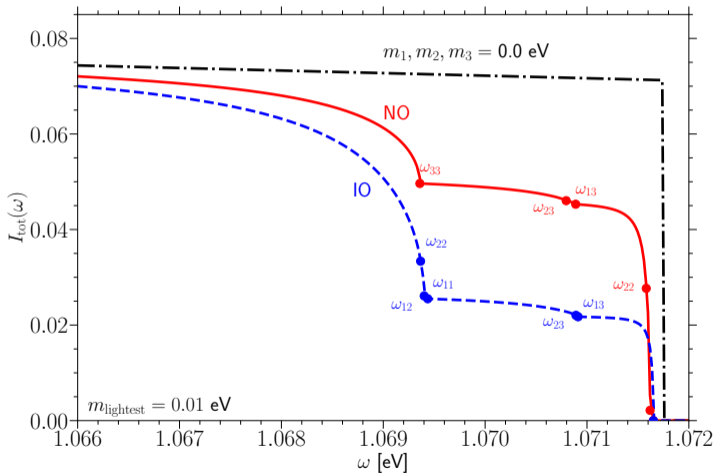


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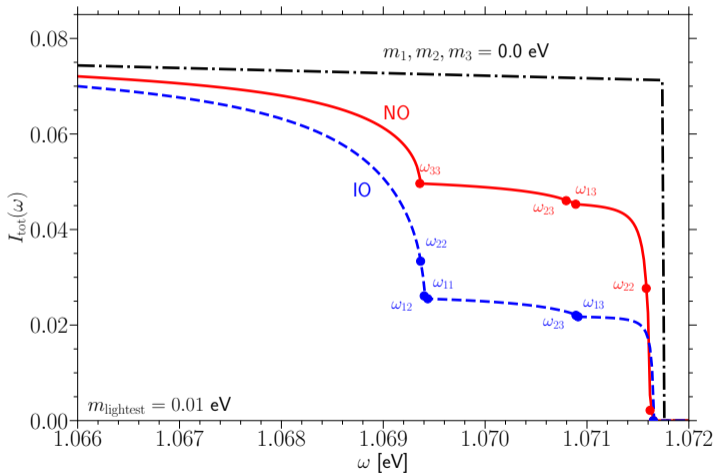
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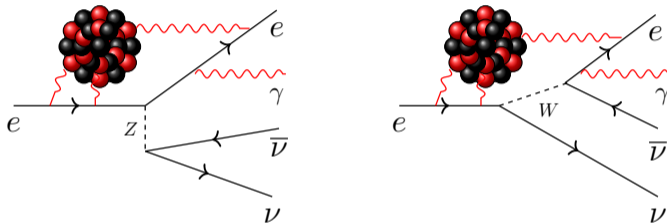
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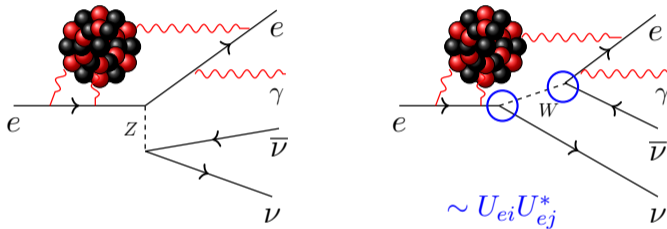
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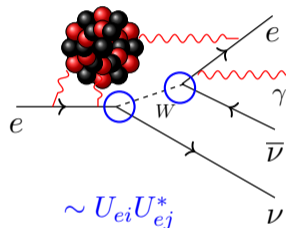
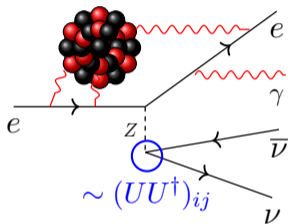
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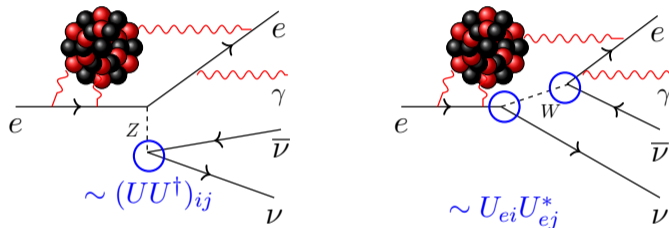
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**Caveat:** Needs larger number of events ( $\sim 10^3$  or larger).

But current technology  $\mathcal{O}(10) \Rightarrow$  needs technological improvement



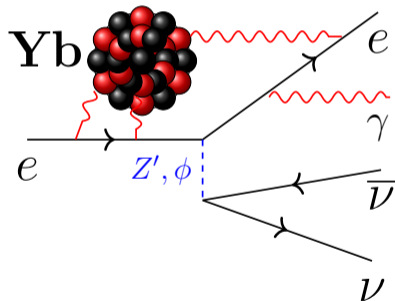
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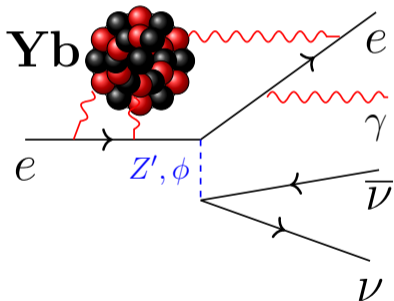
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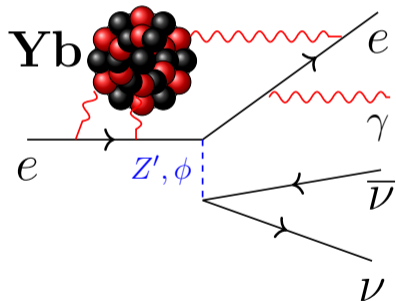
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around the eV scale:  $\frac{m_W^2}{q^2 - m_{\phi, Z'}^2} \sim 10^{21}$



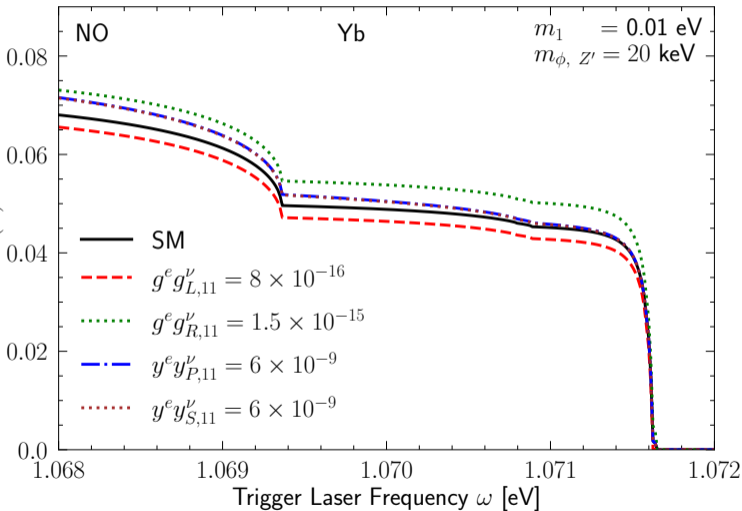
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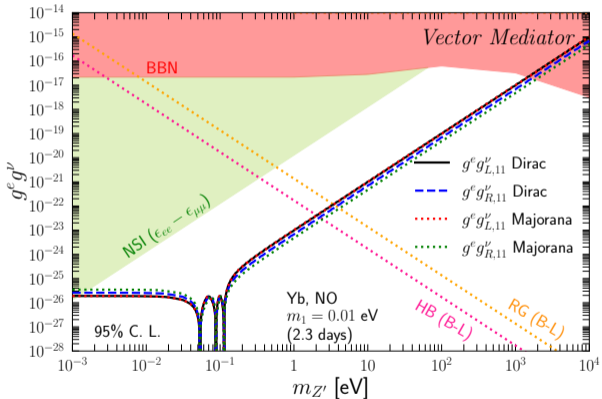
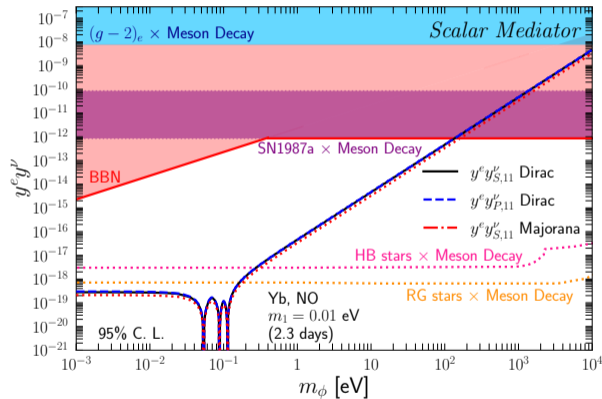
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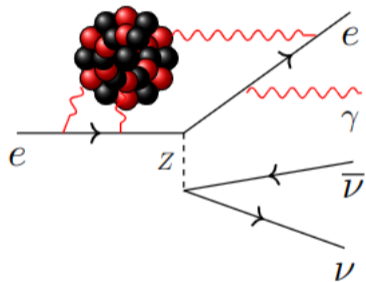
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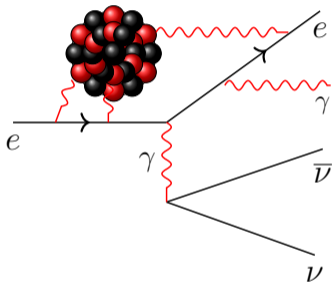
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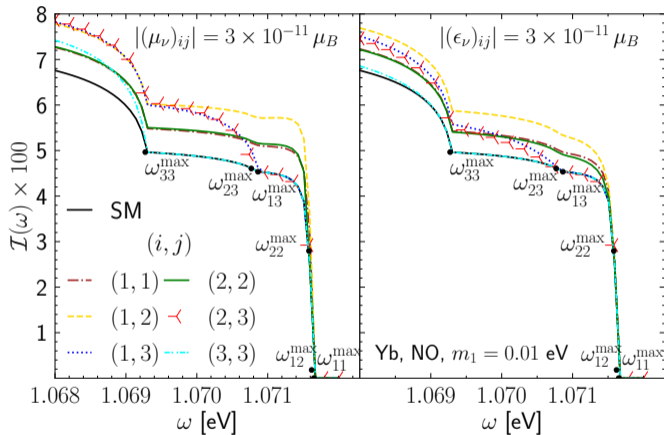
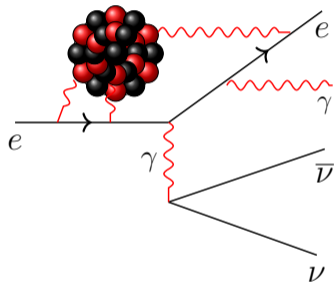


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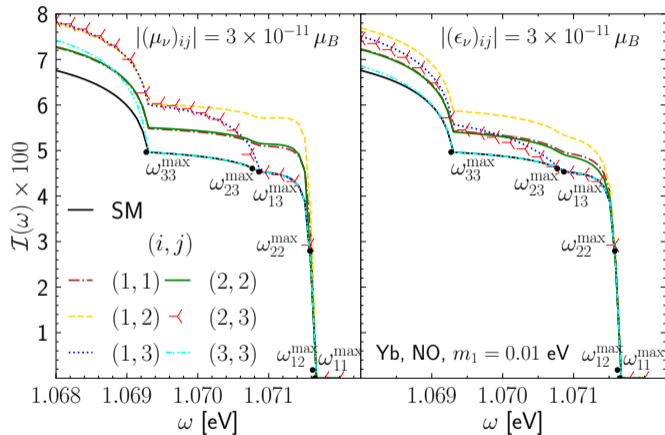




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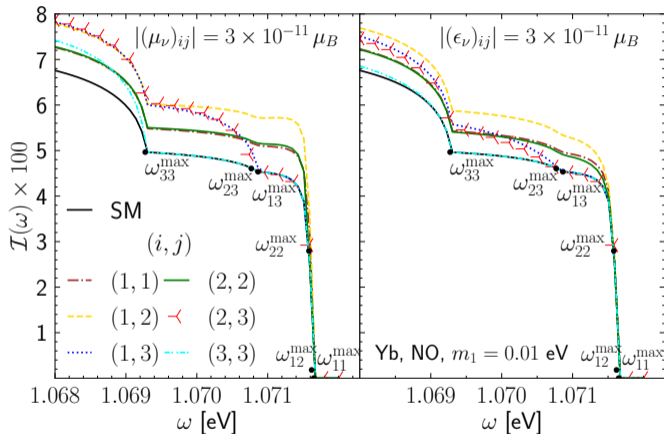


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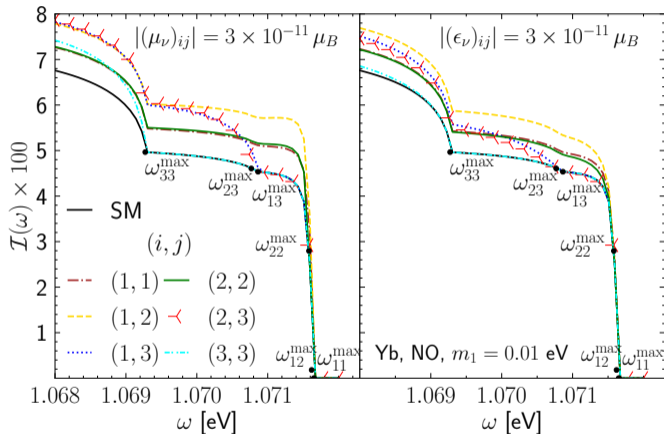
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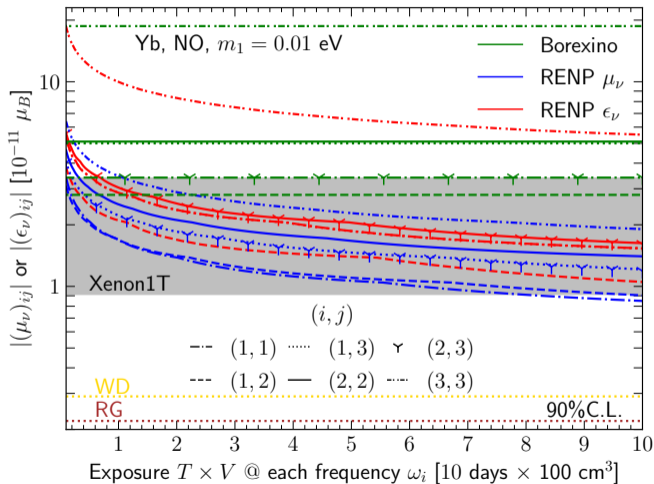
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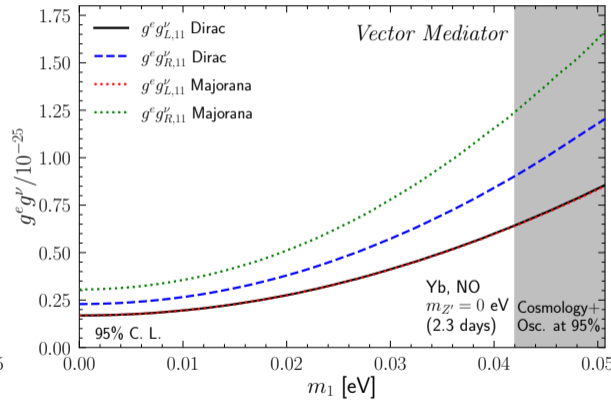
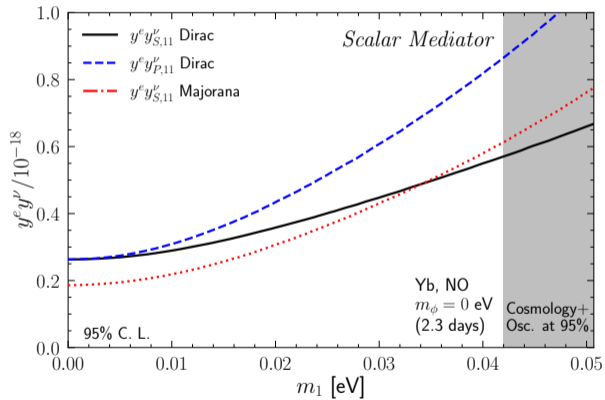


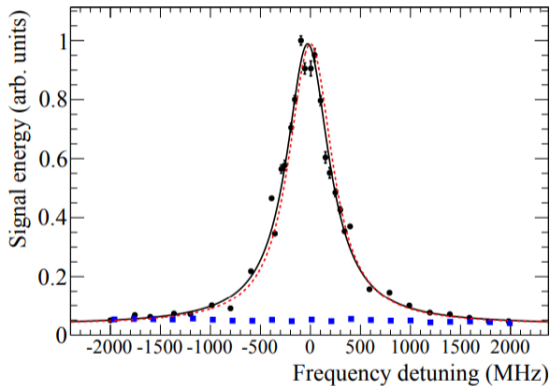
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# Backup Slides





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vector	$g_V^e \bar{e}\gamma^\mu e$	$(\langle f i\rangle, \frac{\mathbf{q}}{2m_e} \cdot \langle f \boldsymbol{\sigma}\boldsymbol{\sigma} i\rangle)$	E1
axial-vector	$g_A^e \bar{e}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5 e$	$(\frac{\mathbf{q}}{2m_e} \cdot \langle f \boldsymbol{\sigma} i\rangle, \langle f \boldsymbol{\sigma} i\rangle)$	M1