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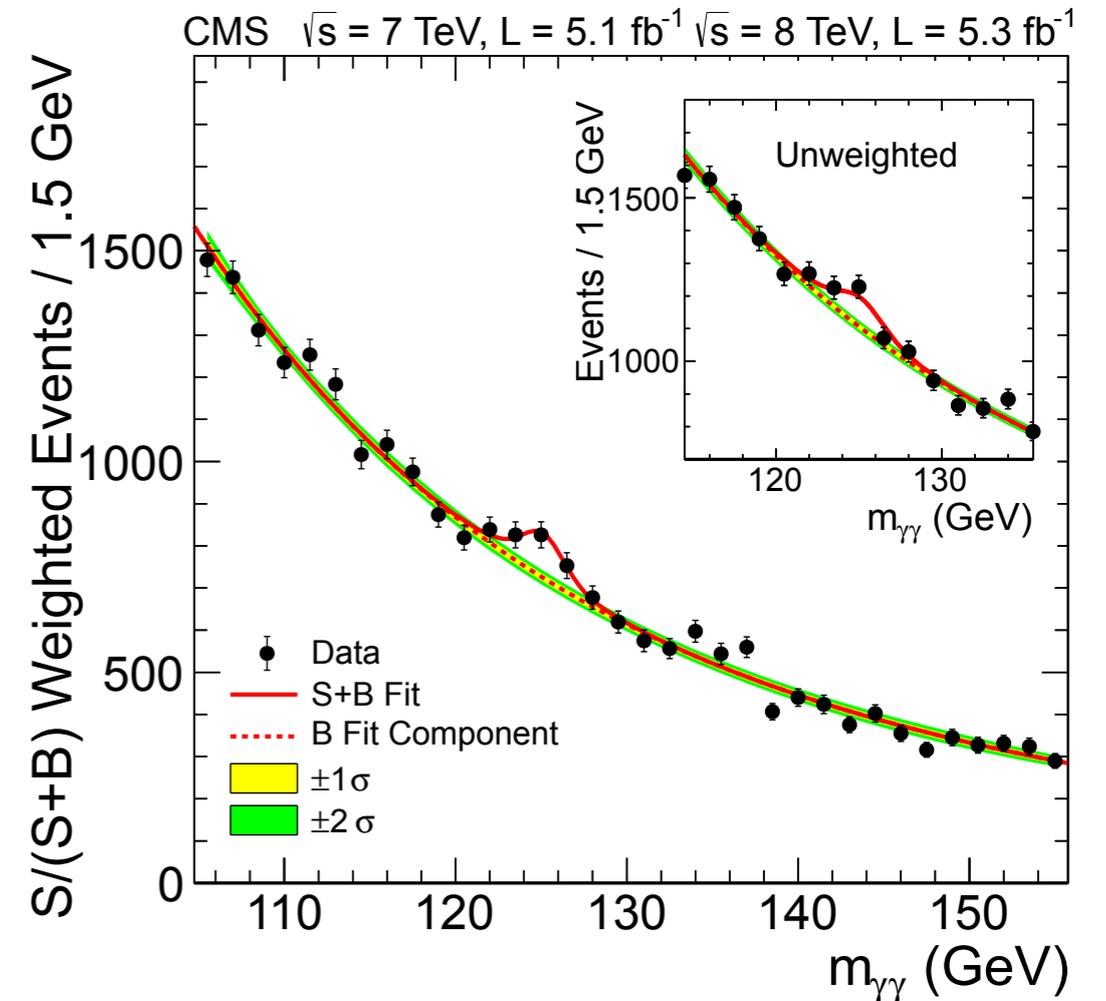


Higgs era of particle physics

Even with the 125GeV Higgs the Standard Model is not stand-alone:

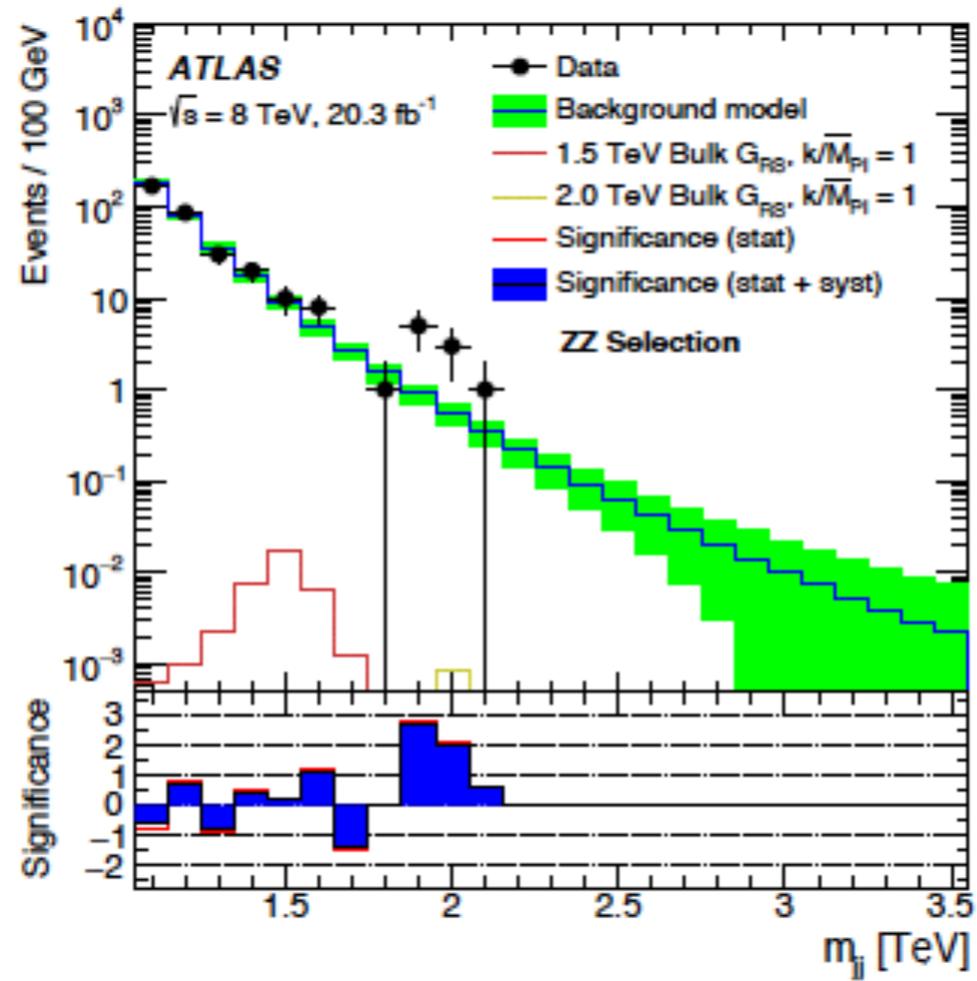
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- naturalness /hierarchy problem
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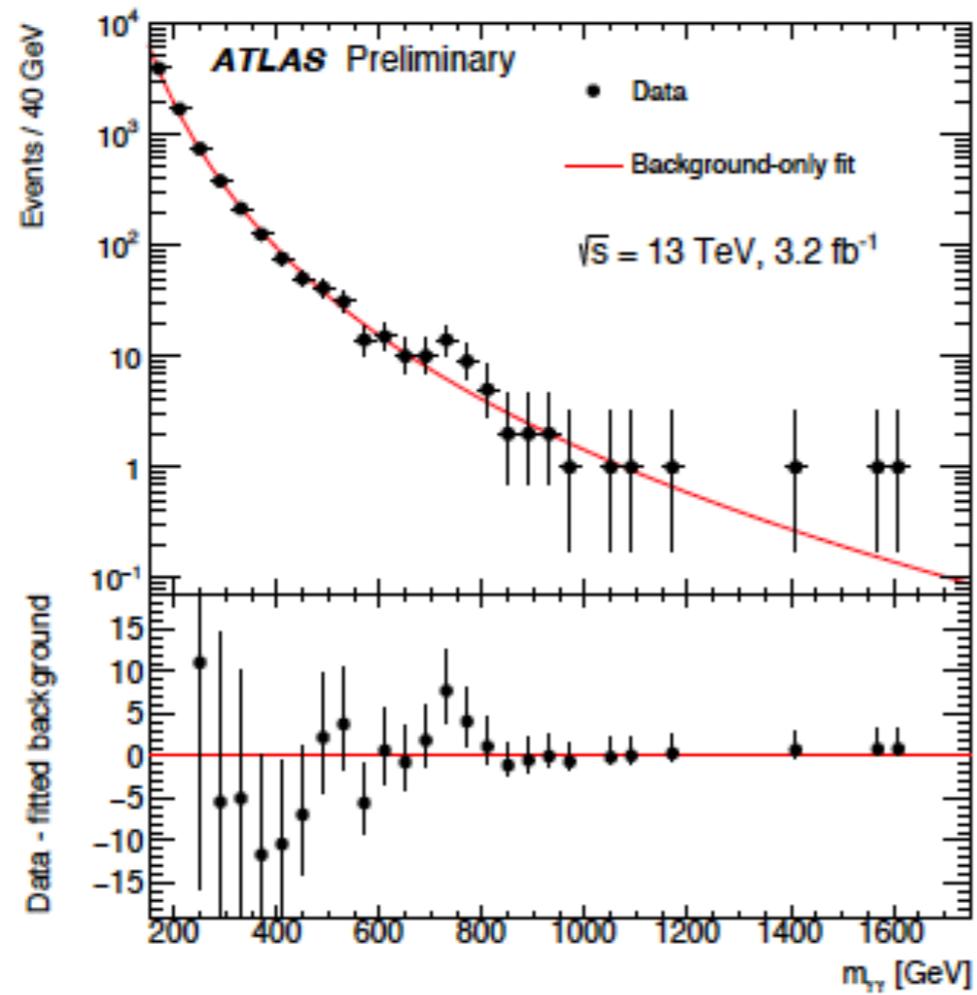
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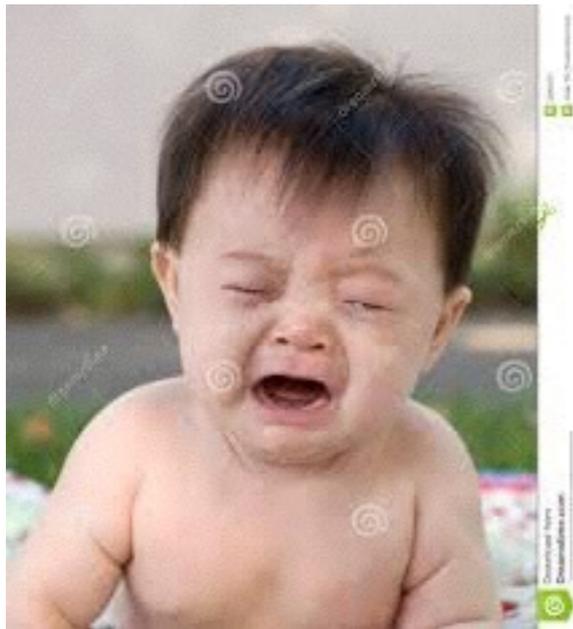
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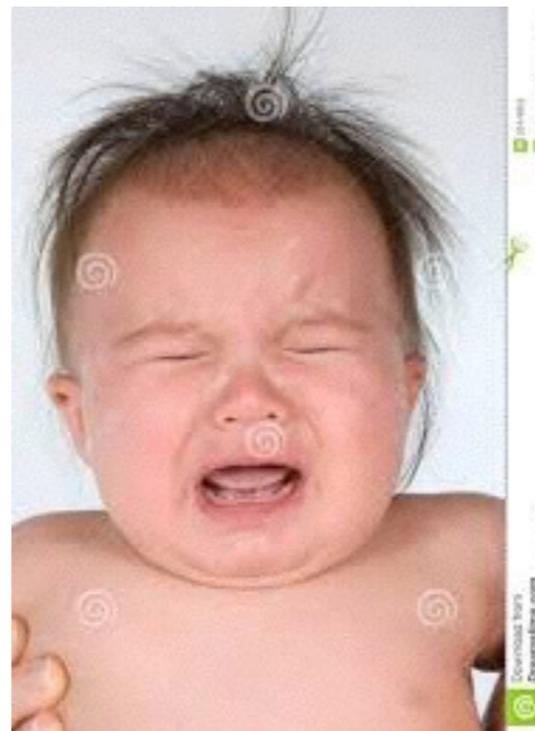
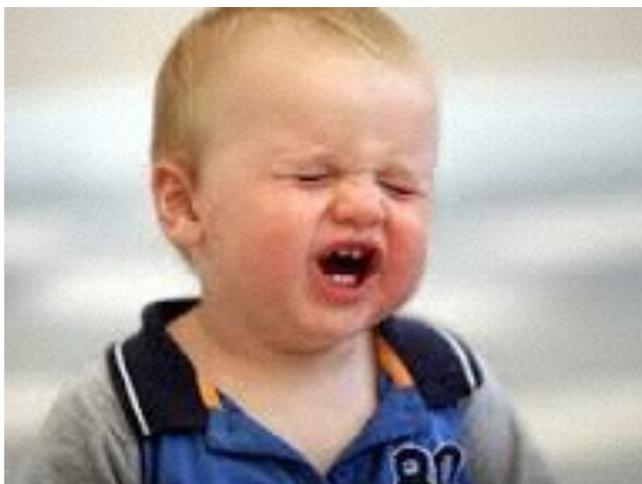
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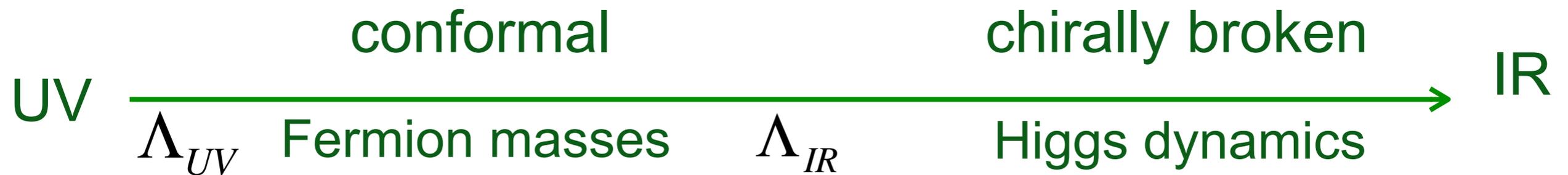
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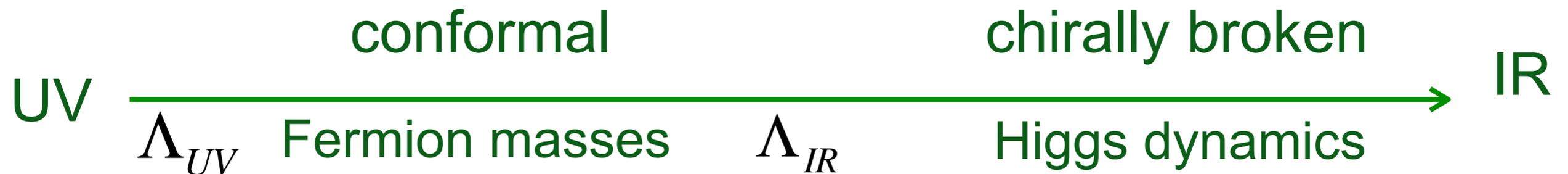
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Many possibilities:

- SU(3) gauge with 4 flavors
- SU(4) with 2 reps. flavors
- SU(3) gauge with 8 flavors
- SU(3) gauge with 2 sextet
- SU(2) gauge with 2 flavors
- etc

Ma, Cacciapaglia, JHEP1603,211

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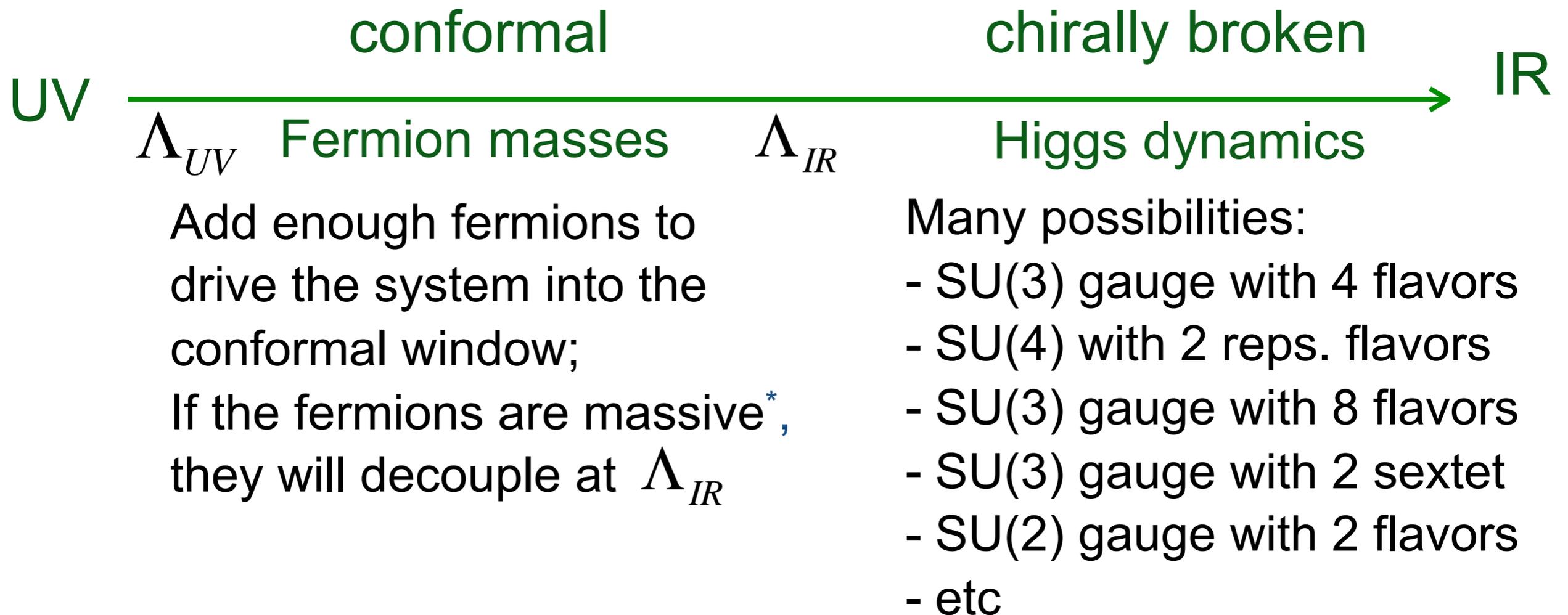
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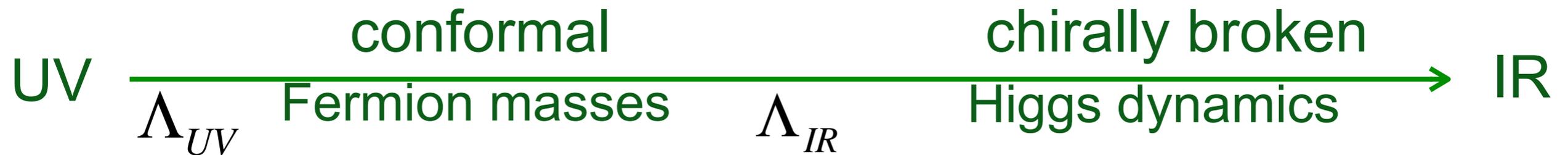


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That is dynamics beyond Λ_{UV} .

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Lattice realization: 4+8 mass-split model

“Prototype”: $SU(3)$ gauge with $4\ell+8h$ fundamental flavors
($N_h=8$ “heavy” and $N_\ell=4$ light or massless)



Add 8 “heavy” fundamental flavors: $N_f = 4+8 = 12$:
→ conformal dynamics

$SU(3)$ gauge with 4 light fundamental flavors:
prototype pNGB or dilaton-Higgs

The construction

- ensures chiral symmetry breaking in the IR
- “walking” is arbitrarily tunable by m_h
- anomalous dimensions are that of the conformal IRFP

This system is a prototype - many similar models are possible

Why 4 light flavors?

Proposed pNGB scenario : (Ma, Cacciapaglia, JHEP 1603 (2016) 211)

4 massless/ light flavors \rightarrow 15 Goldstone bosons

Quantum numbers are determined by their SM couplings

Transformation under $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ custodial symmetry

$$15_{SU(4)} = (2,2) + (2,2) + (3,1) + (1,3) + (1,1)$$

Honestly: that was the simplest lattice model to investigate.

Good enough for a prototype / pilot study

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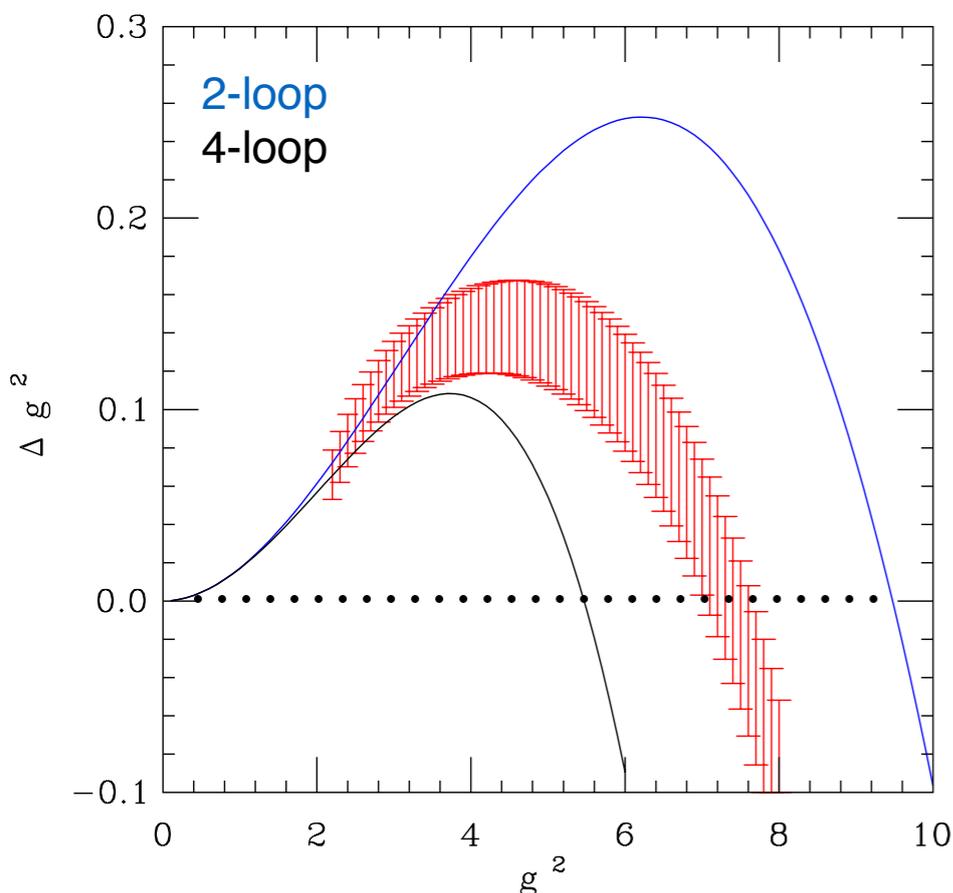
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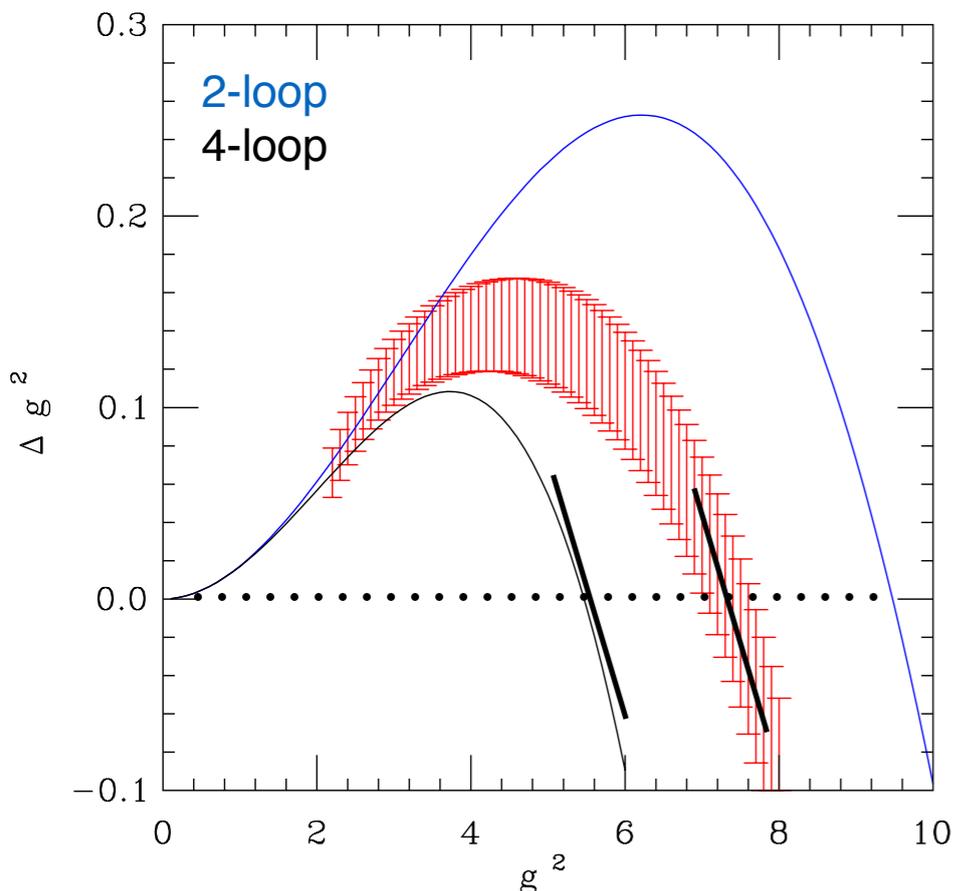
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Even the slope is close to 4-loop PT

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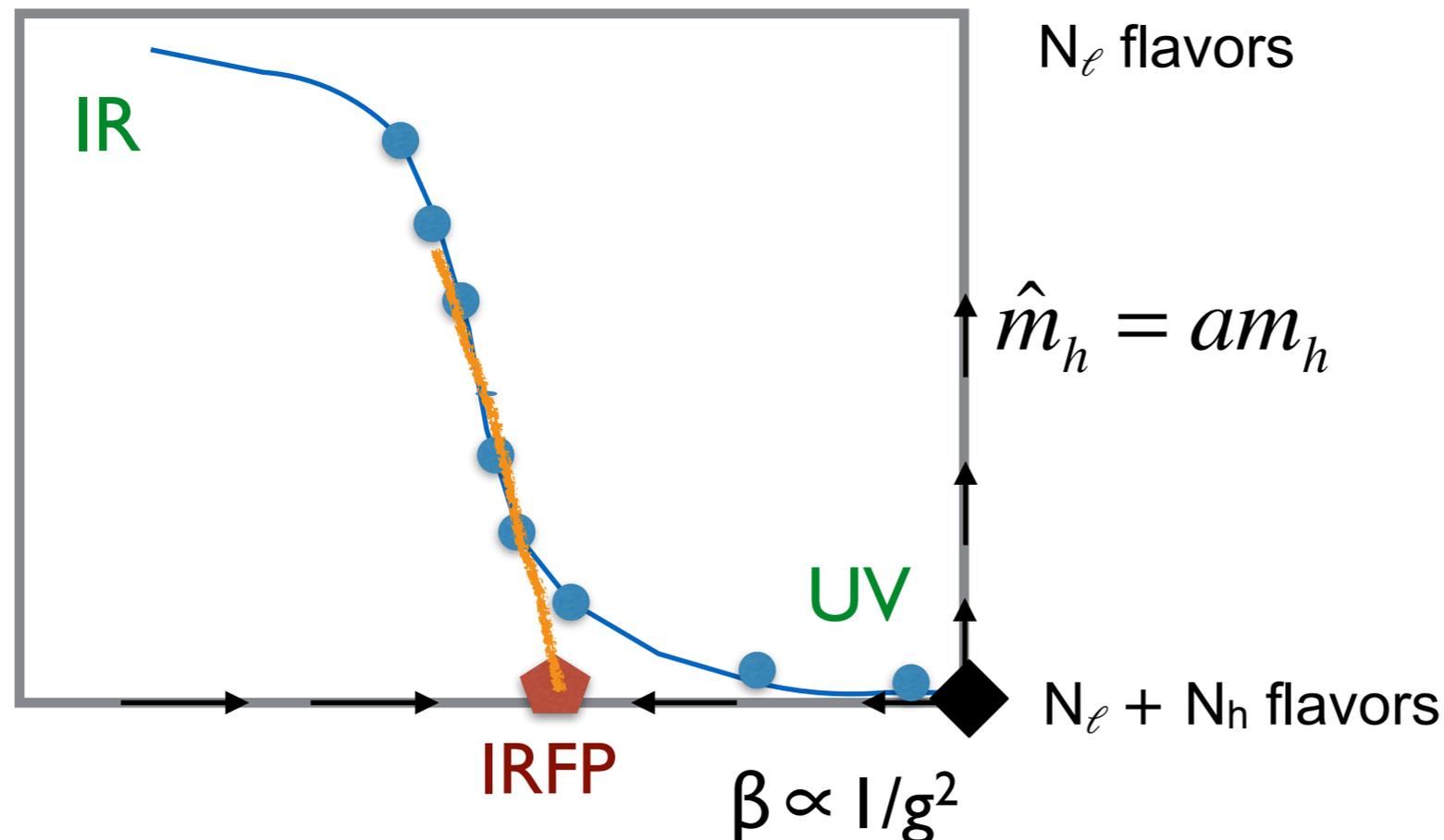
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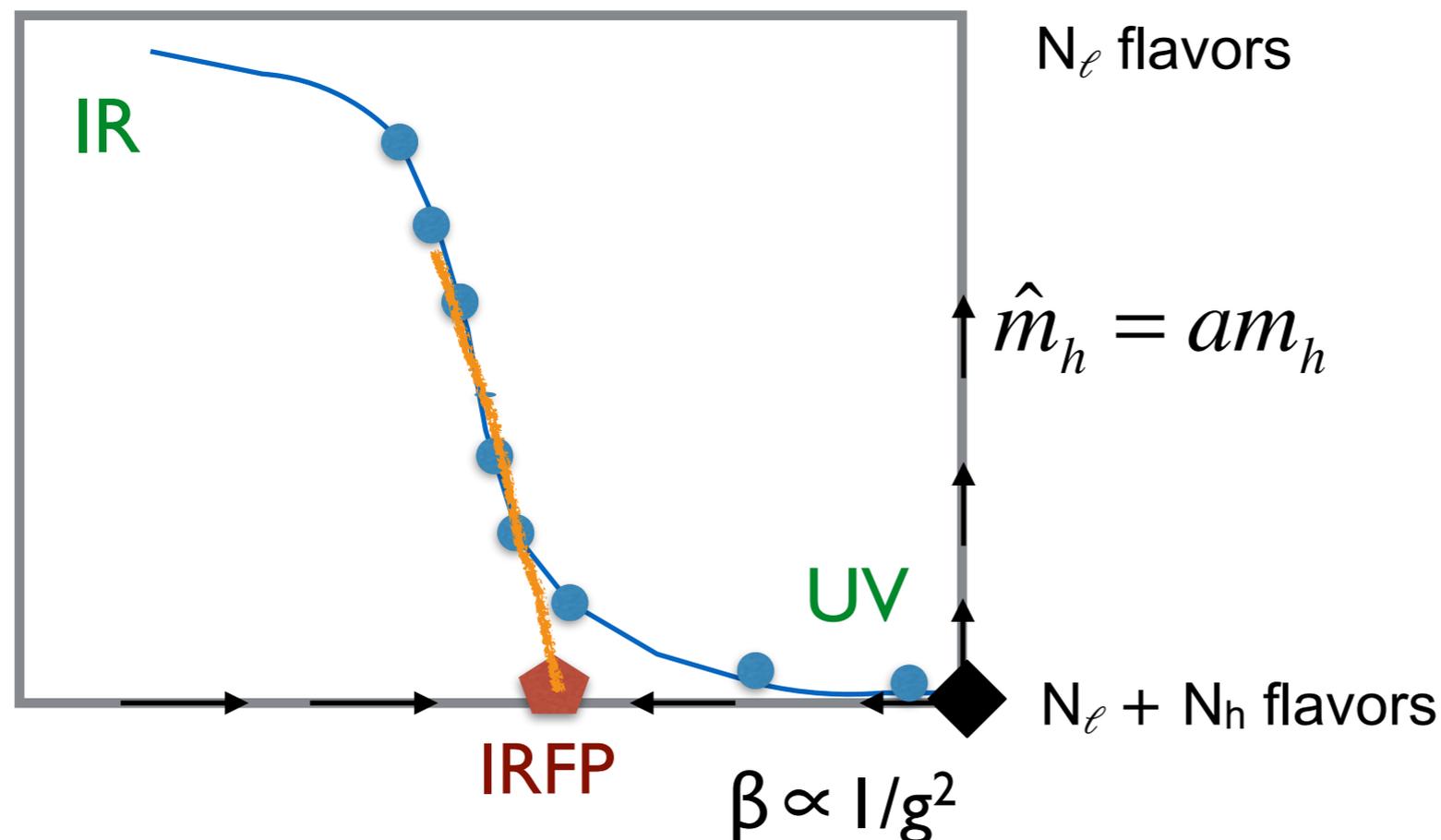
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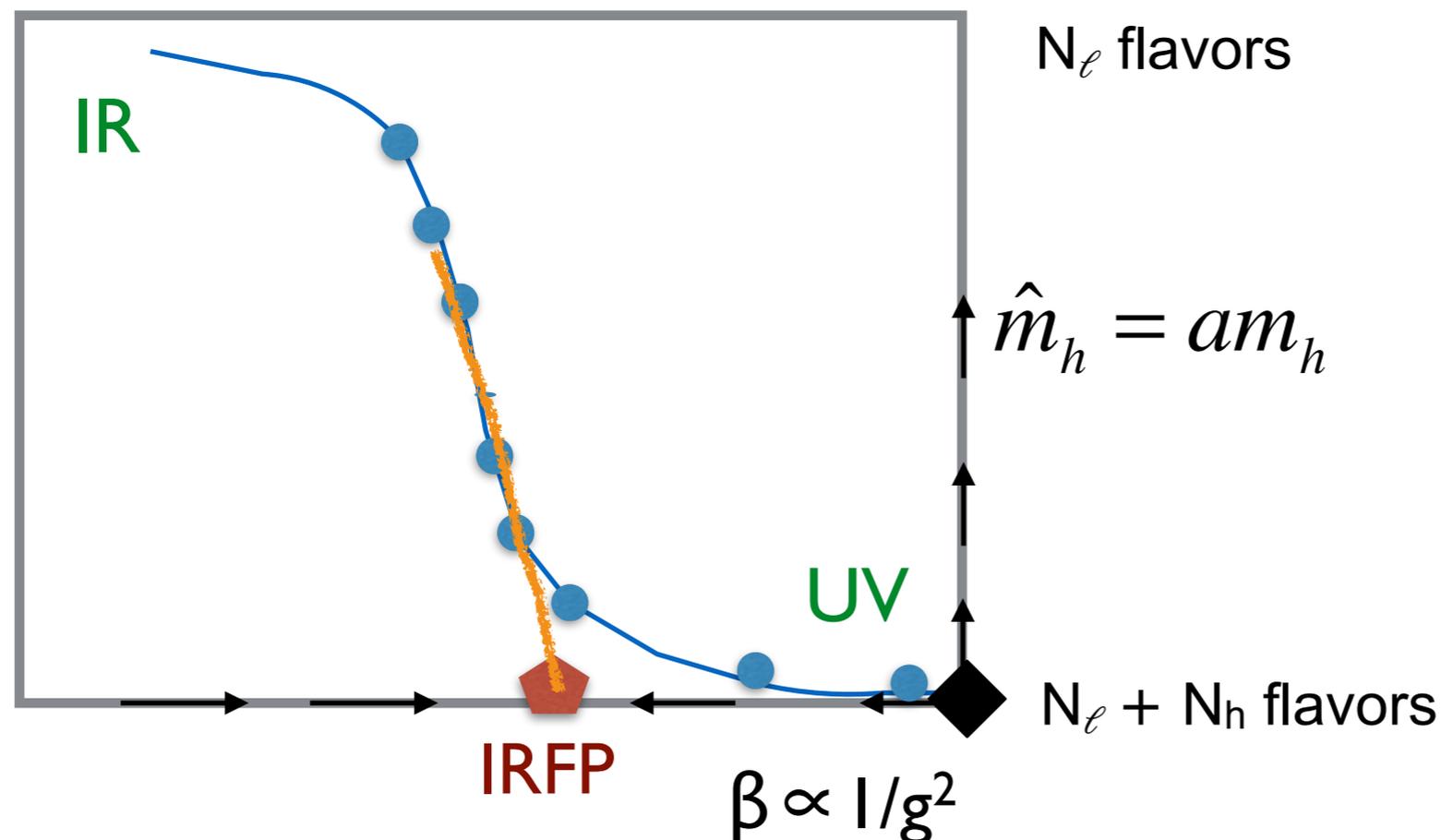
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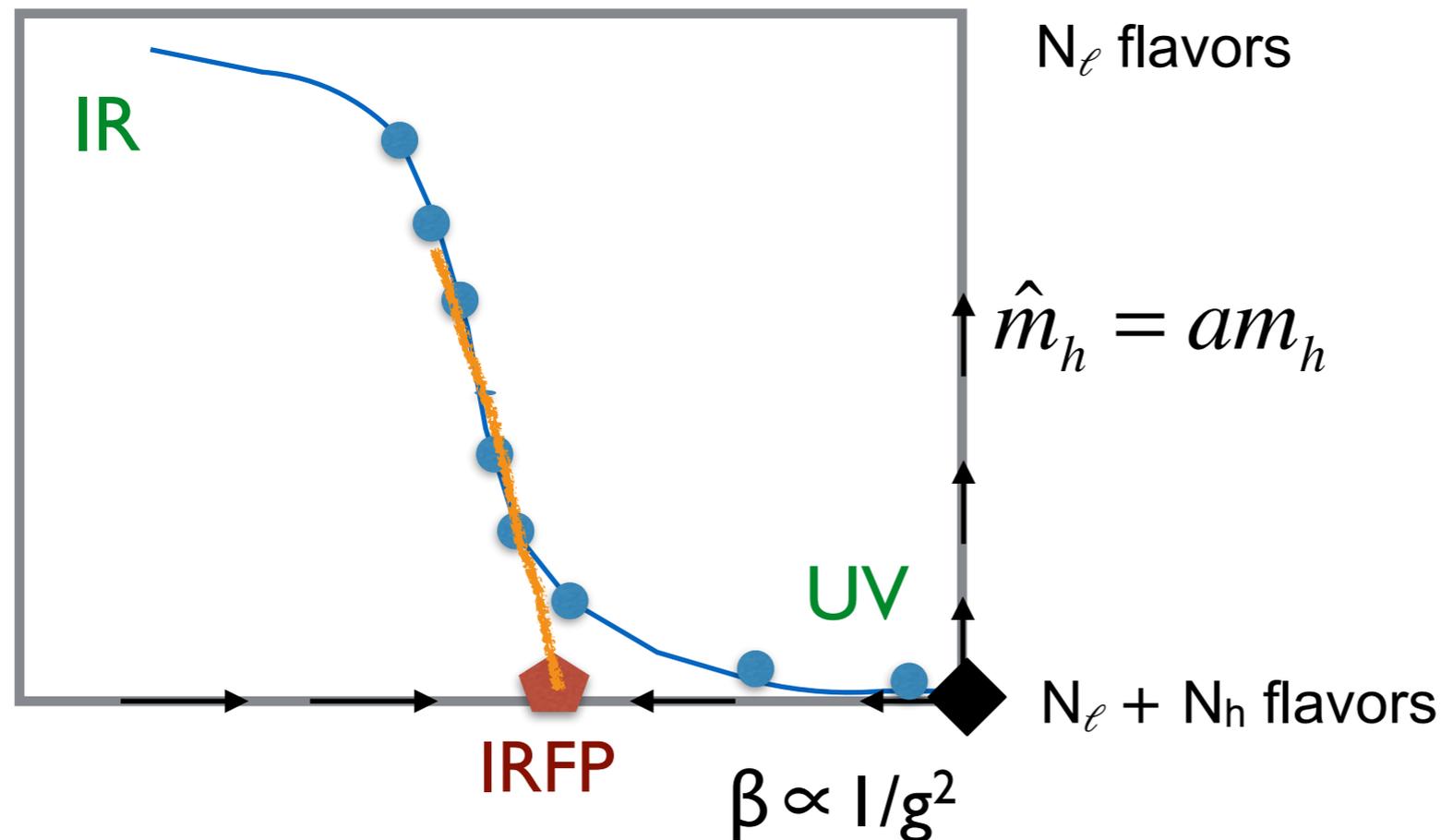
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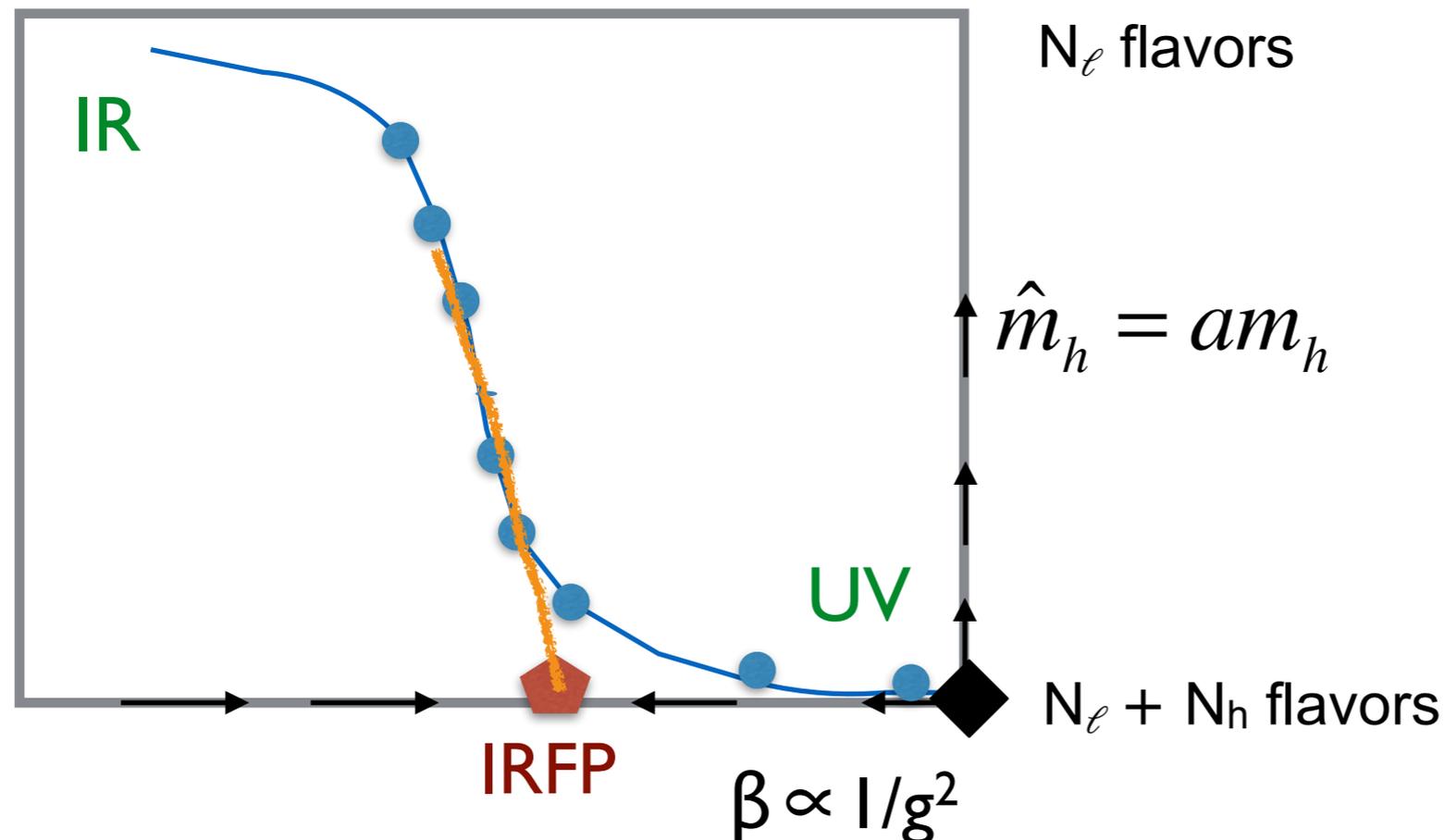
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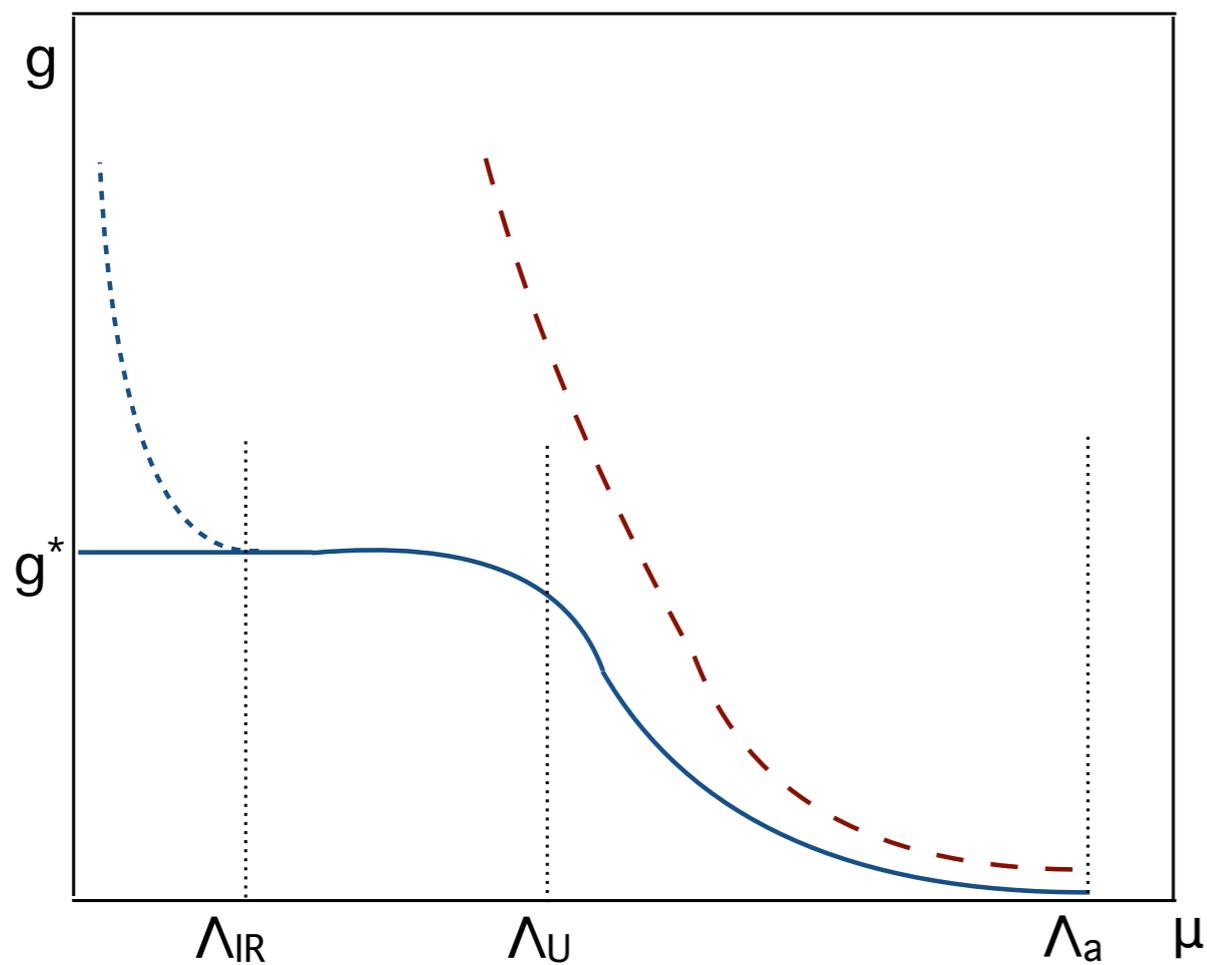
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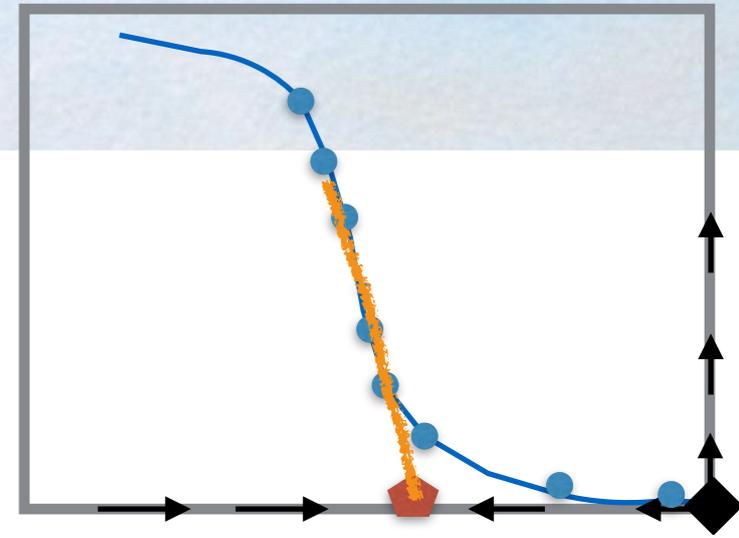
RG flows predict the running coupling:



3 regions:

- UV :
from cut-off to $g \sim g^*$
- walking: m_h small, $g \sim g^*$
- IR :
heavy flavors decouple,
 N_ℓ light flavors are
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walking can be tuned by
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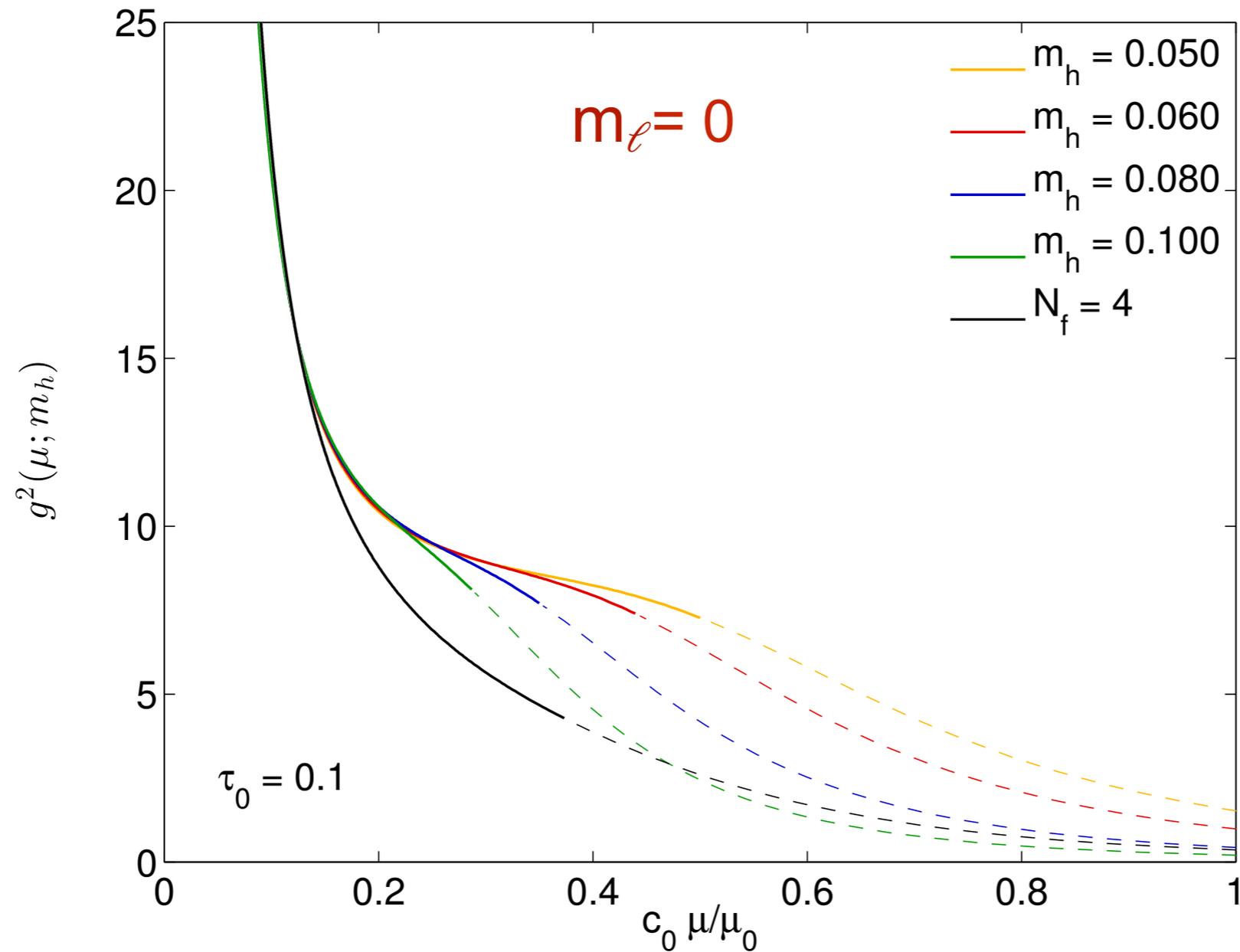
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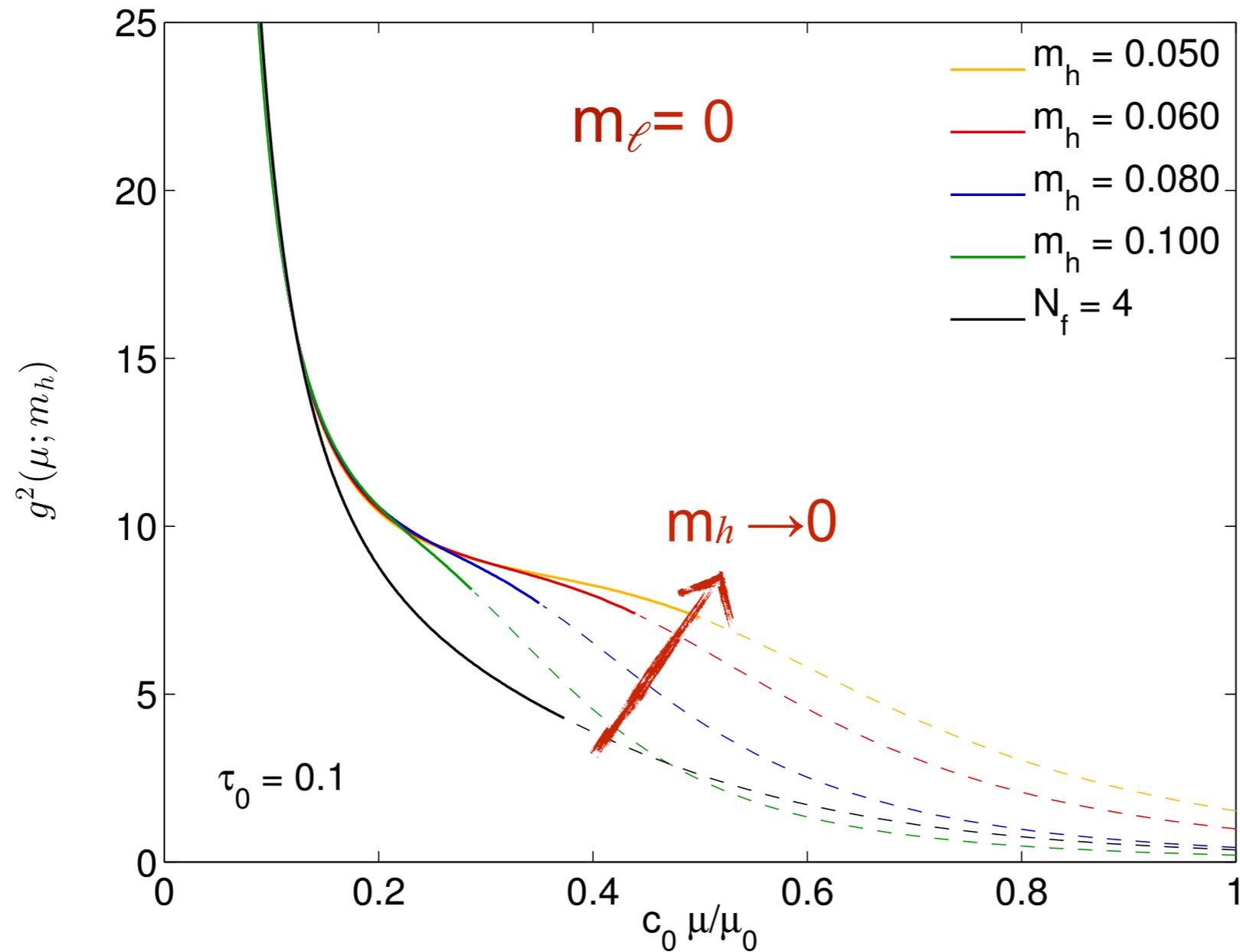
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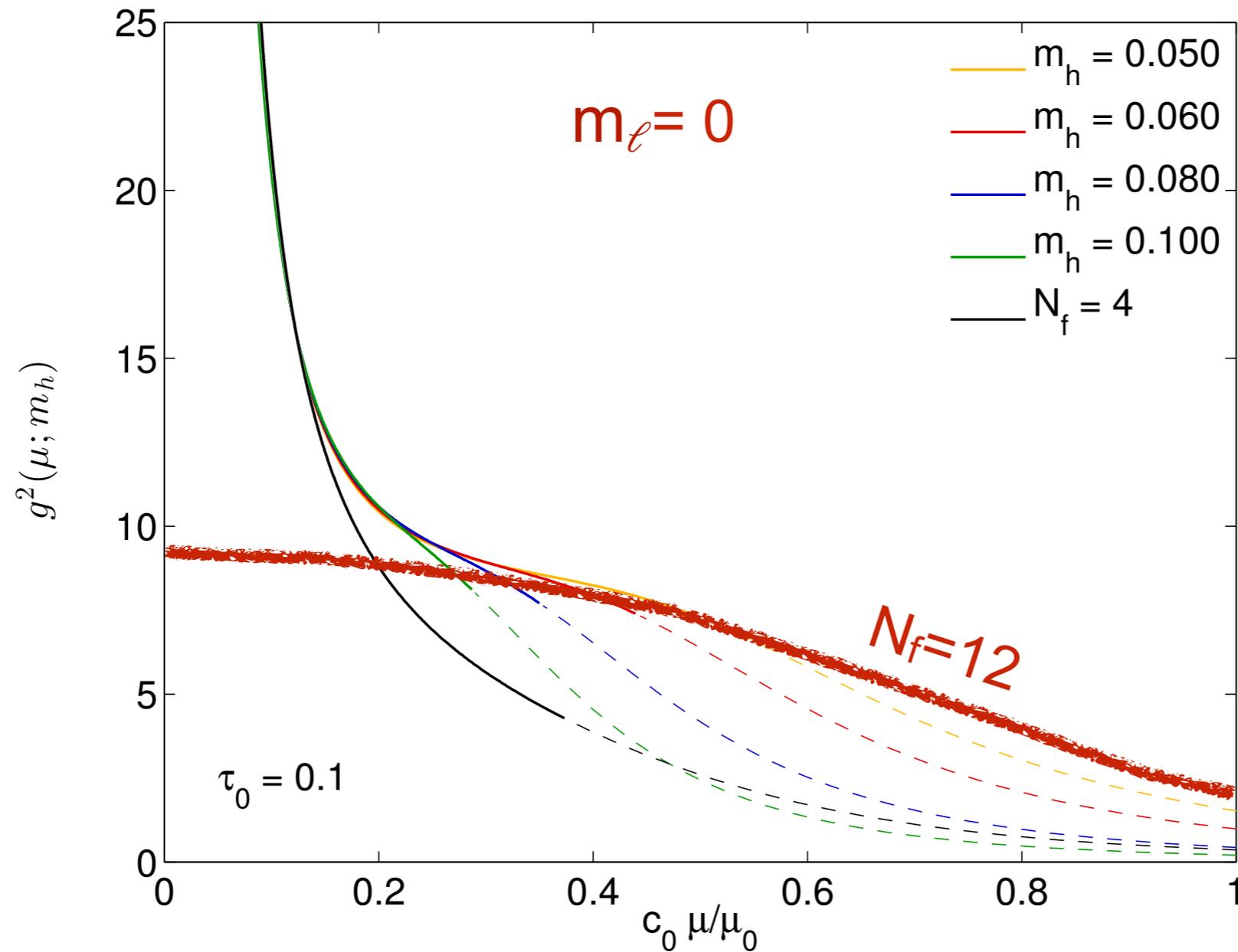
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Ratios are universal functions of m_ℓ/m_h

$$M_{H_1}/M_{H_2} = \Phi_H(m_\ell/m_h),$$

$$M_{H_1}/F_\pi = \tilde{\Phi}_H(m_\ell/m_h)$$

In the $m_\ell=0$ chiral limit dimensionless ratios are independent of m_h
If F_π is known, the rest of the spectrum is predicted - no more free parameters

- True for light-light, heavy-light and heavy-heavy spectrum
- This is very different from QCD!

Corrections to scaling

The gauge coupling in $N_f=12$ runs slow -

$g \rightarrow g^*$ is not a (very) good approximation, corrections are needed

Cheng, A.H., Y. Liu, Petropoulos,
Schaich, PRD90 (2014) 014509

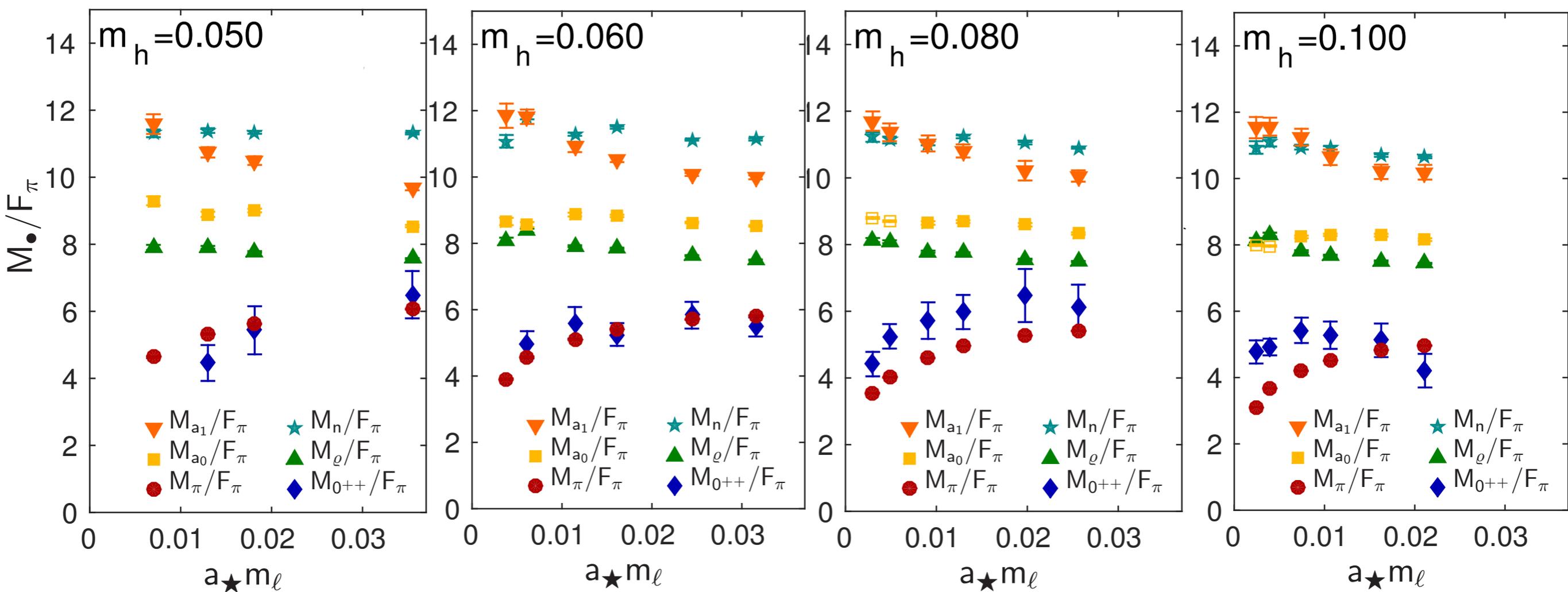
Ratios scale as

$$M_{H_1} / F_\pi = \tilde{\Phi}_H(m_\ell / m_h) (1 + c_0 m_h^\omega)$$

c_0 depends on g^2 and the observable, ω is universal : both can be determined from $N_f=12$ studies

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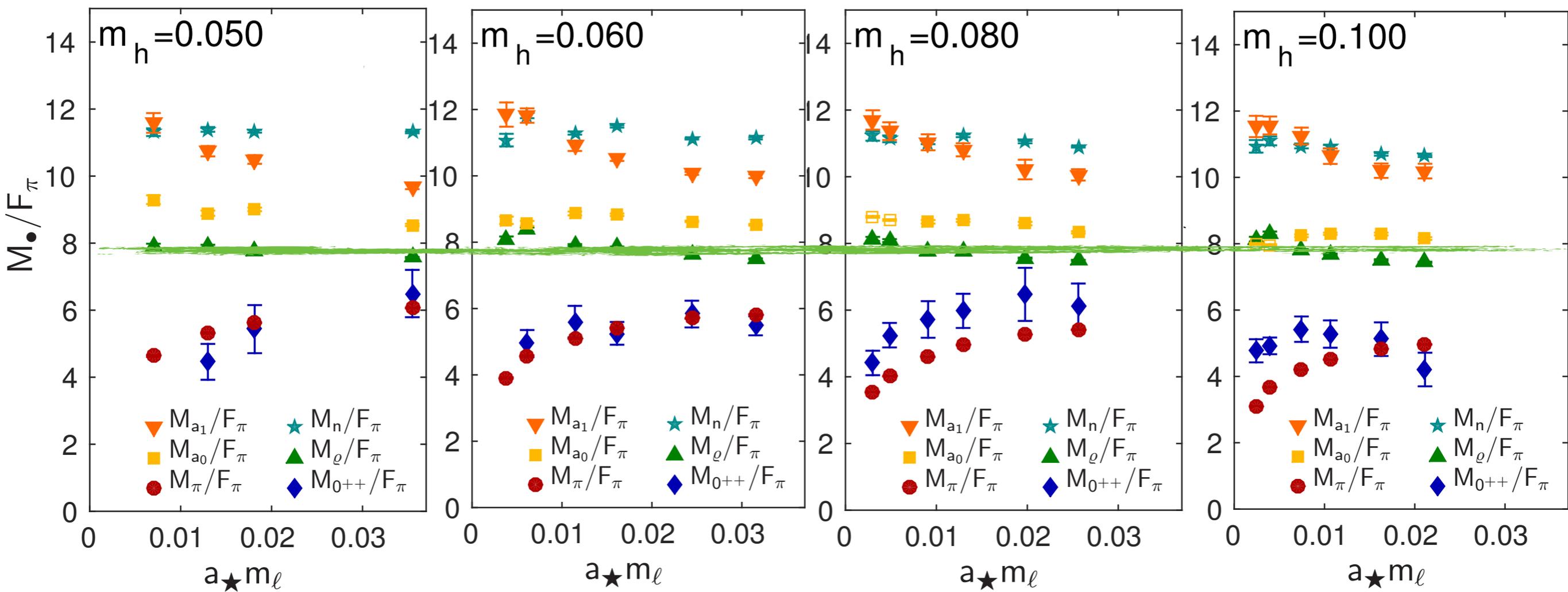
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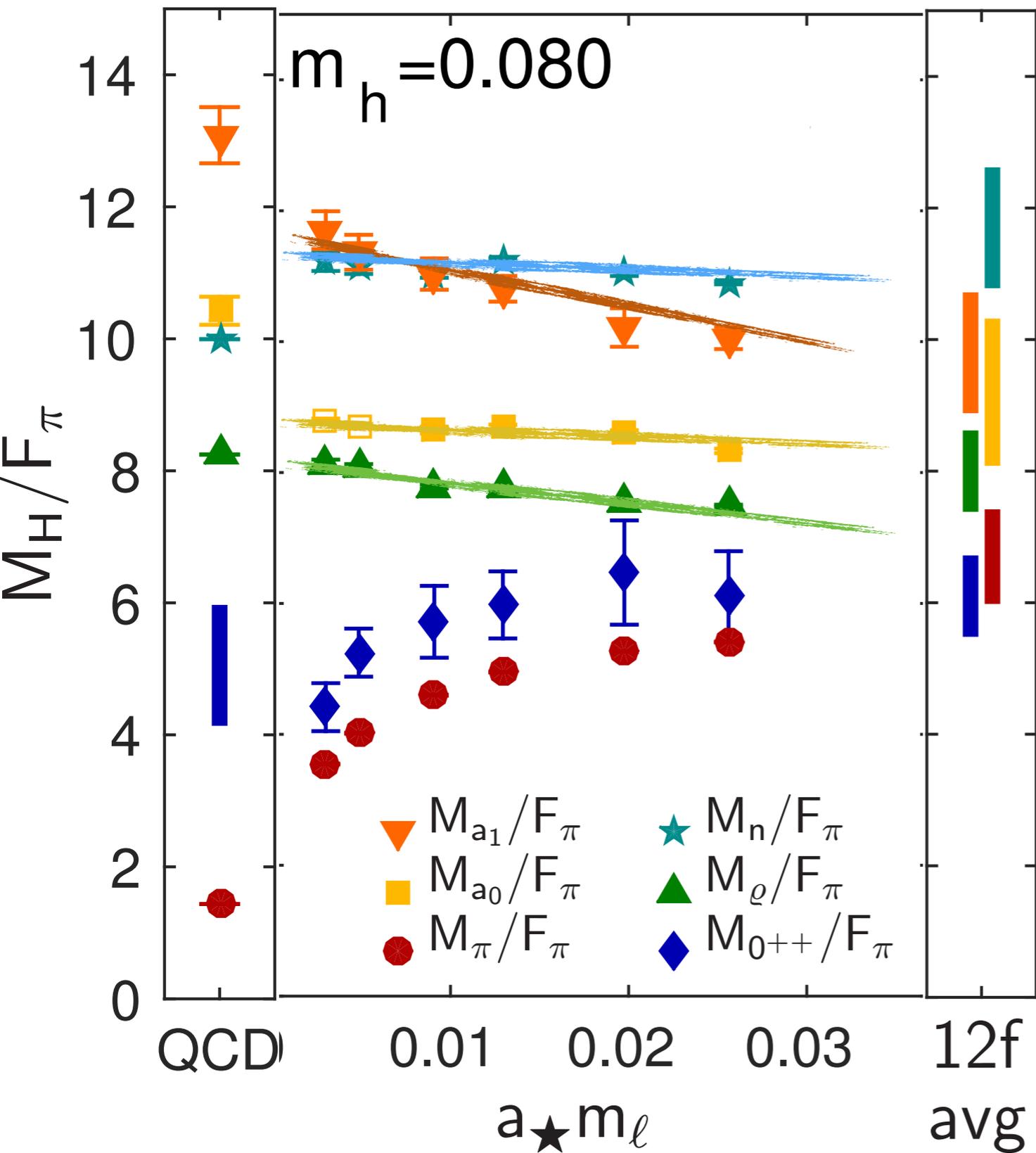
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A closer look



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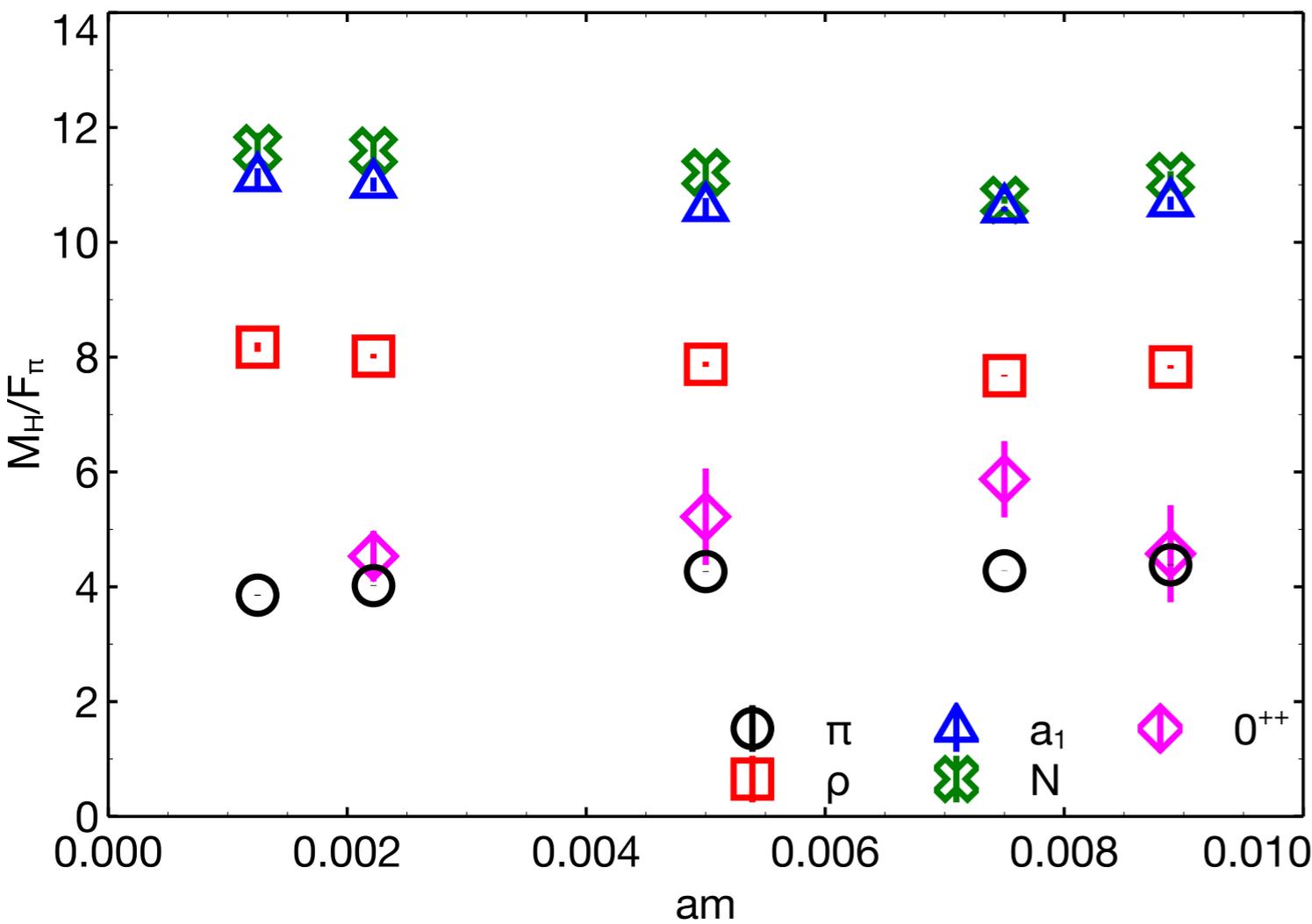
The ratios are very similar to
QCD and $N_f=12$, interpolating
in between

0^{++} is just above, closely
following the pion -
where is the chiral limit ?

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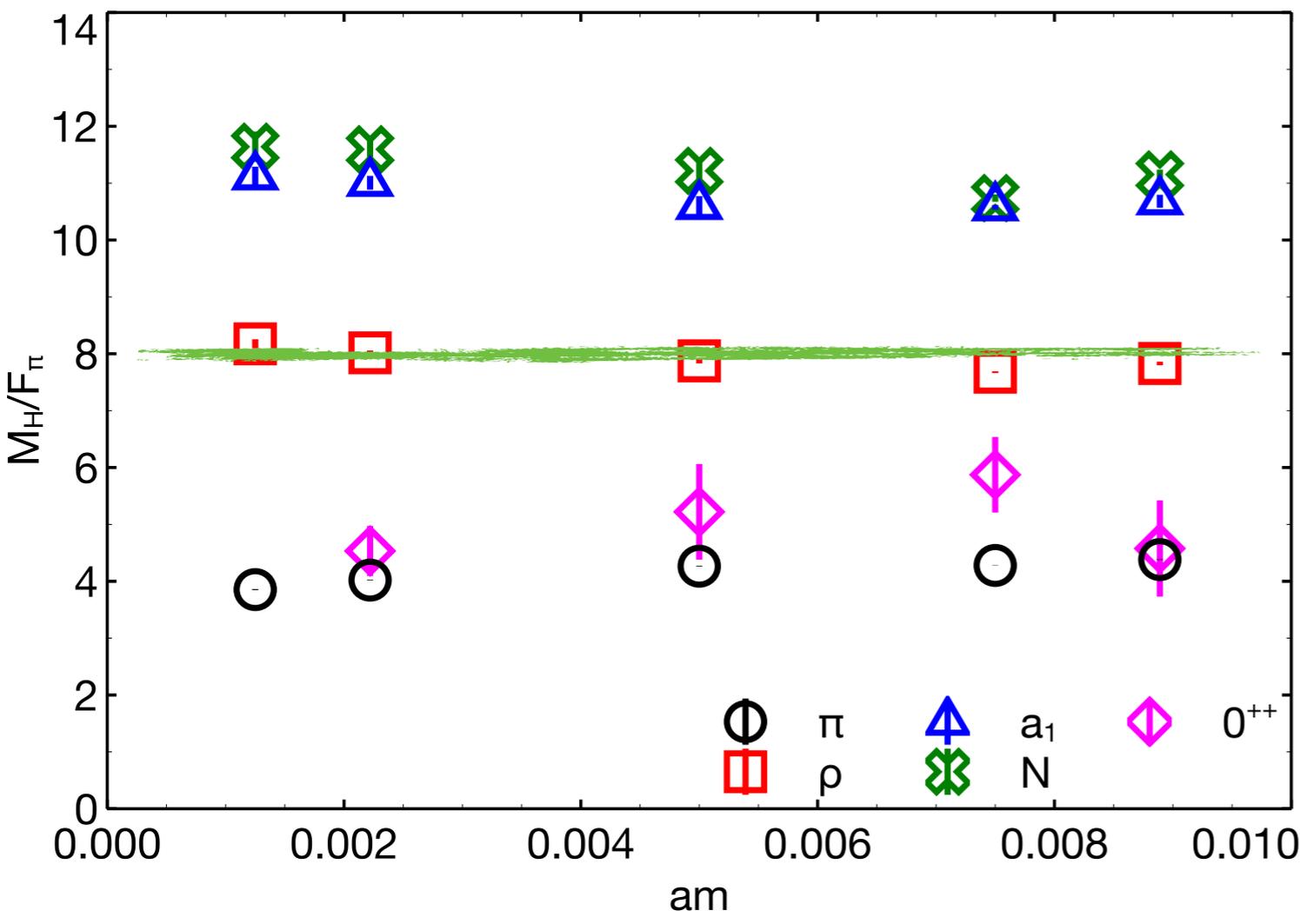
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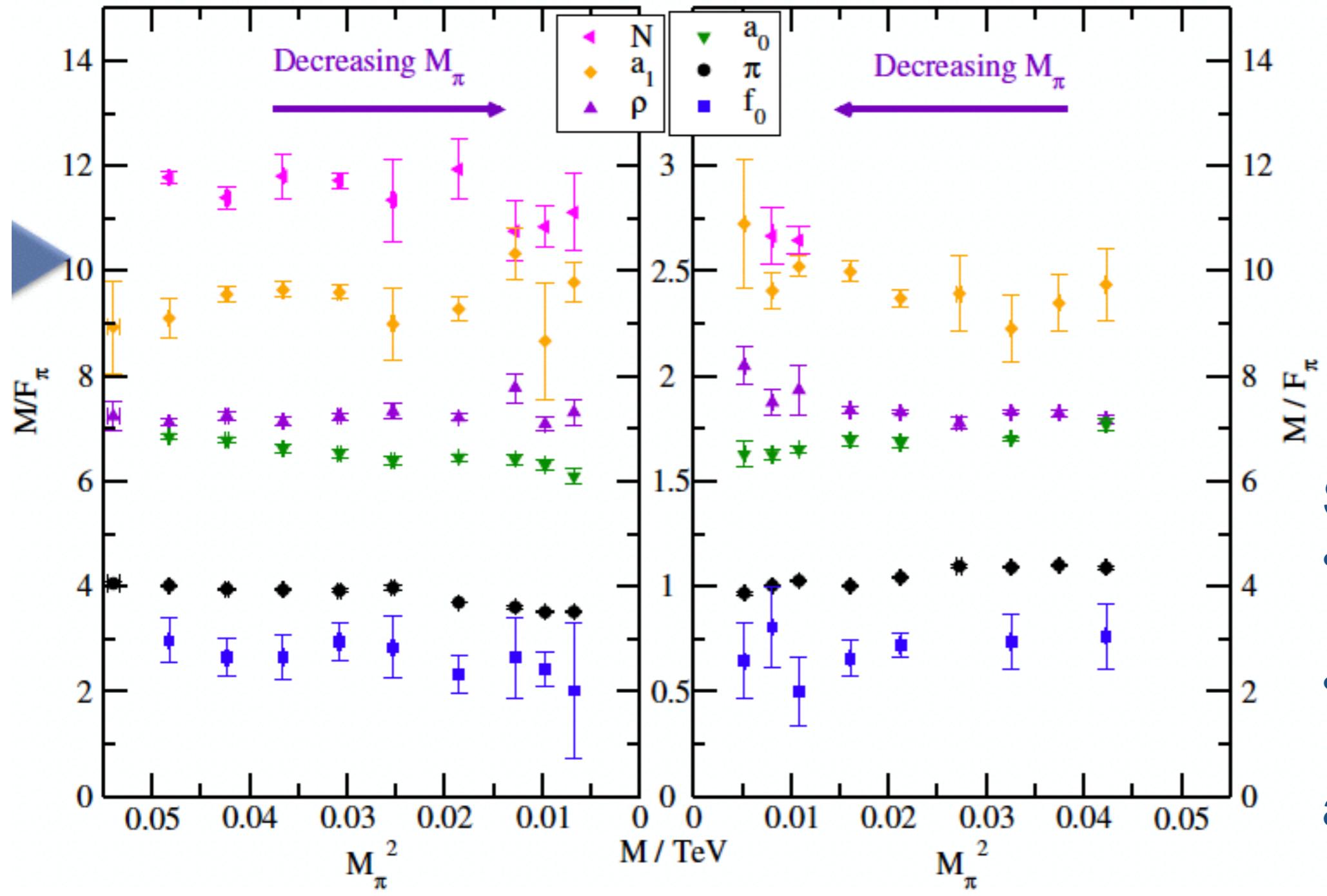
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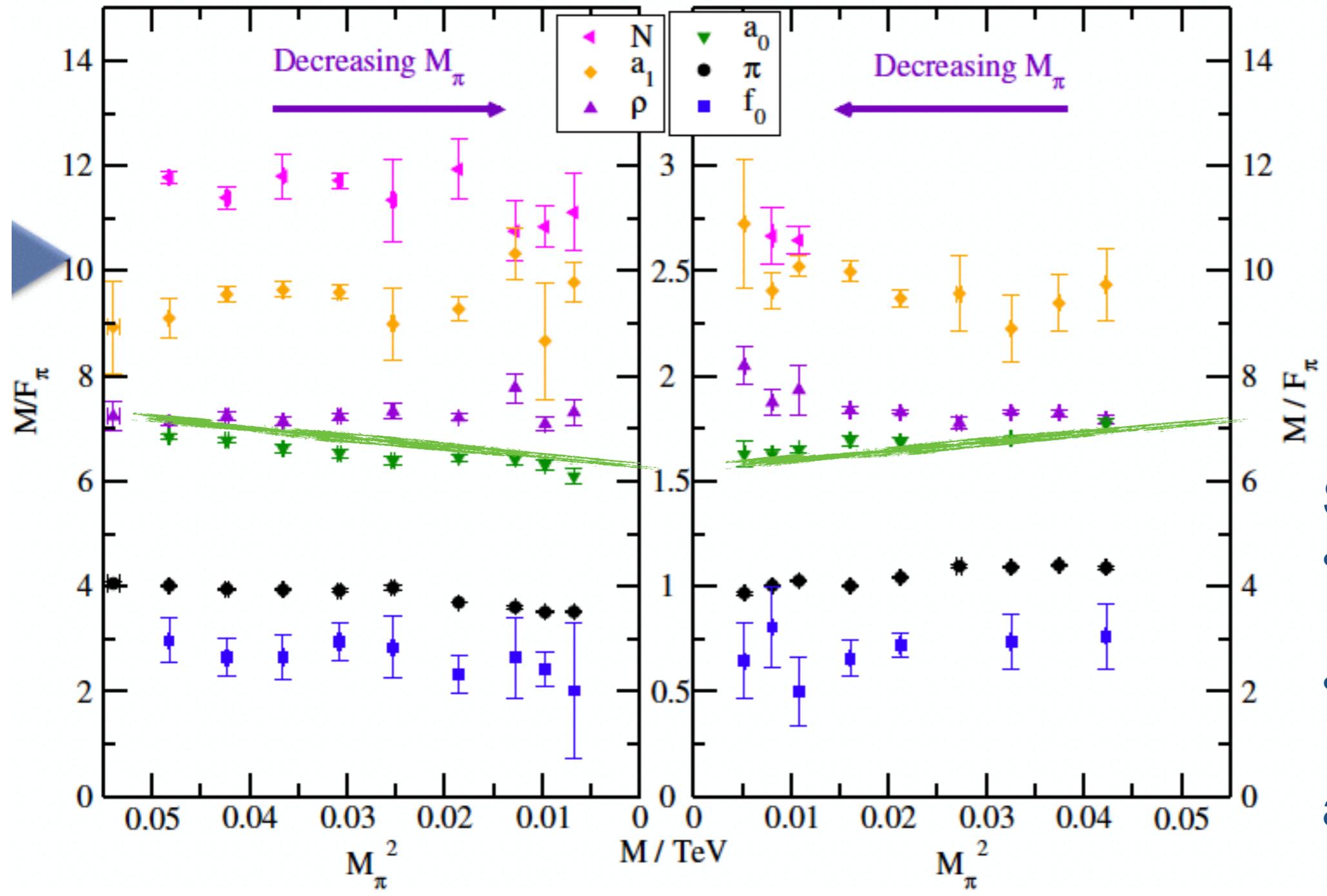
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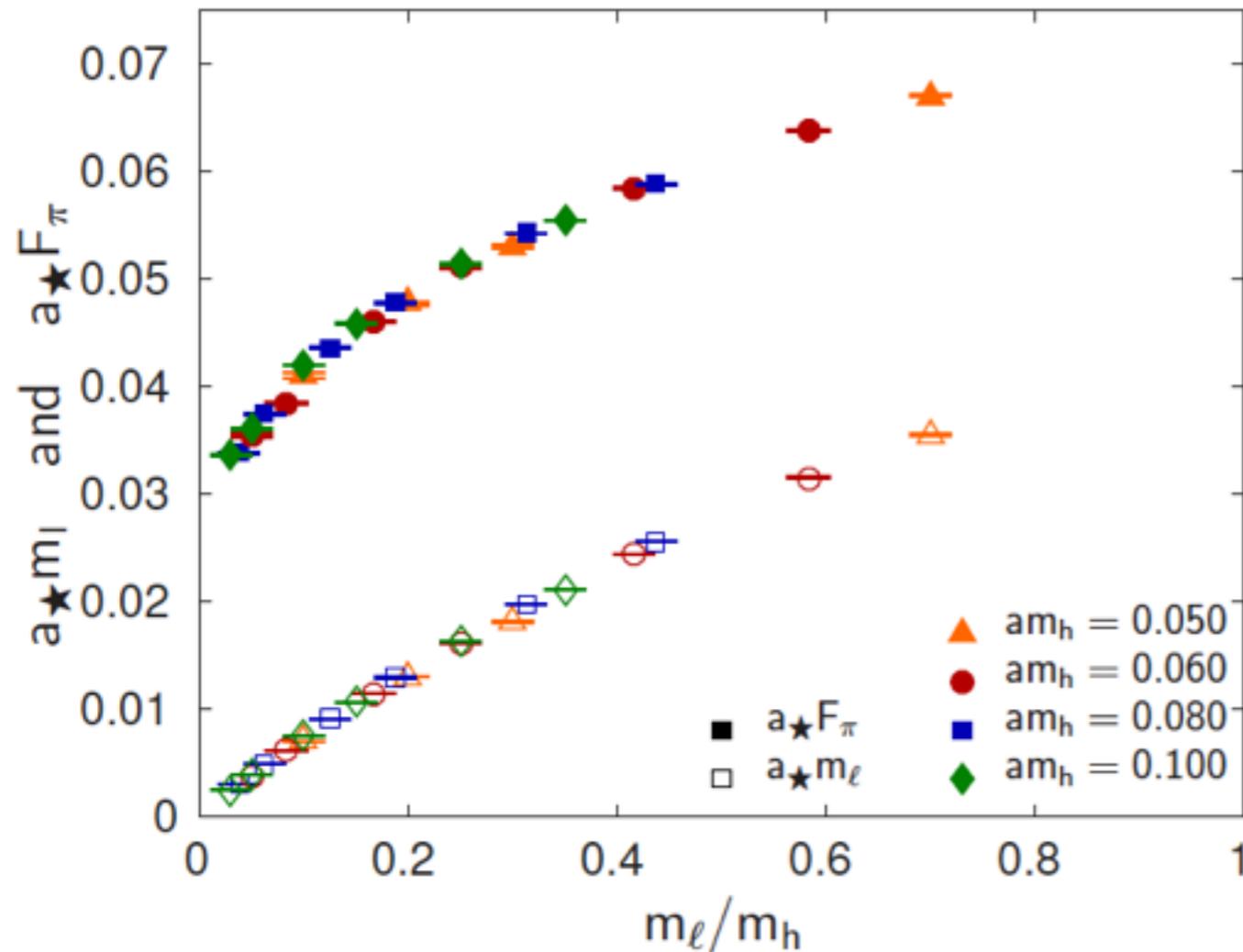
First hyperscaling tests in 4+8:

Ratios are universal functions of m_ℓ/m_h

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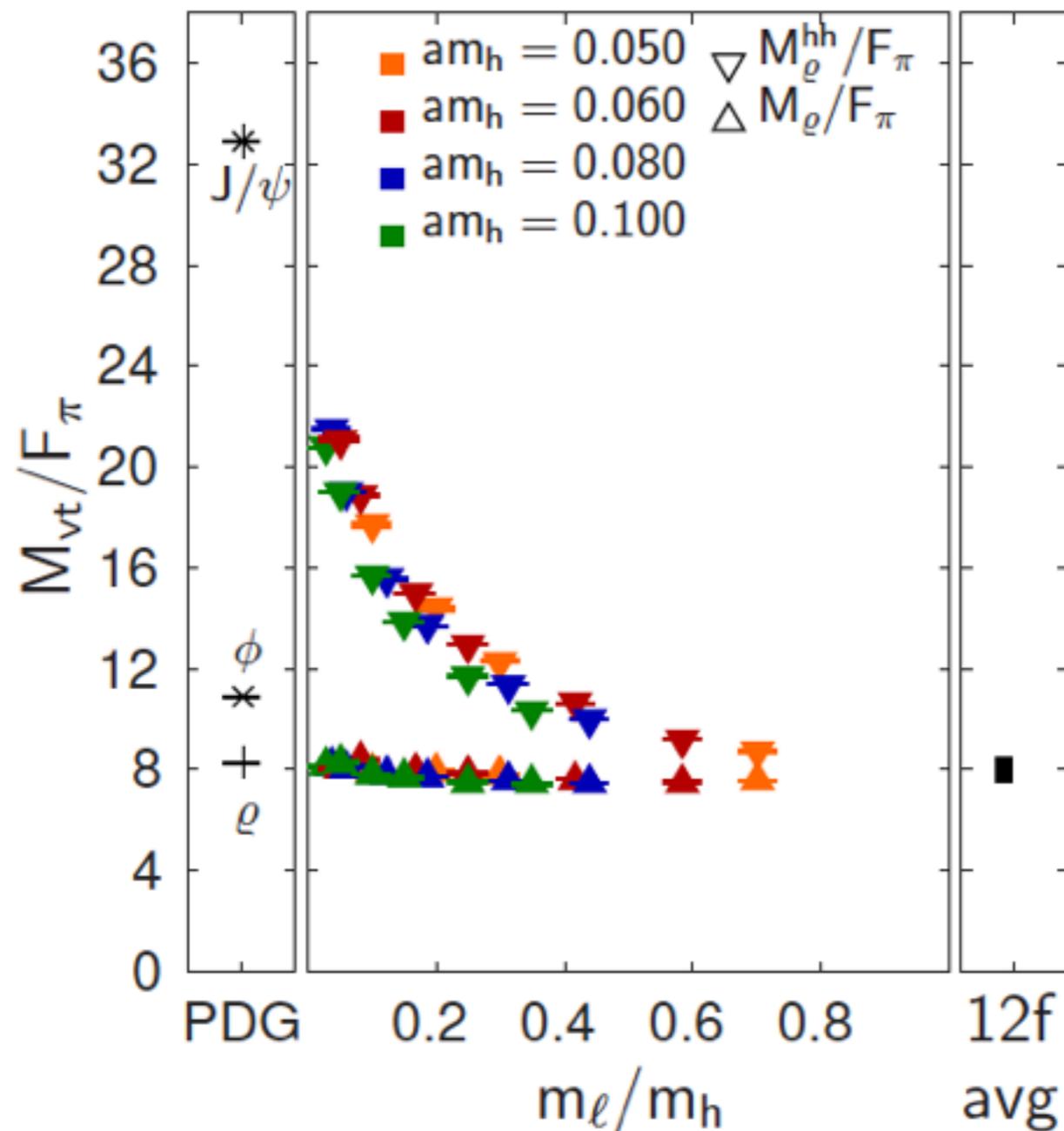
$a_\star F_\pi$ and $a_\star m_\ell$ vs m_ℓ/m_h



$a_\star F_\pi$ is finite in the chiral limit
— of course!

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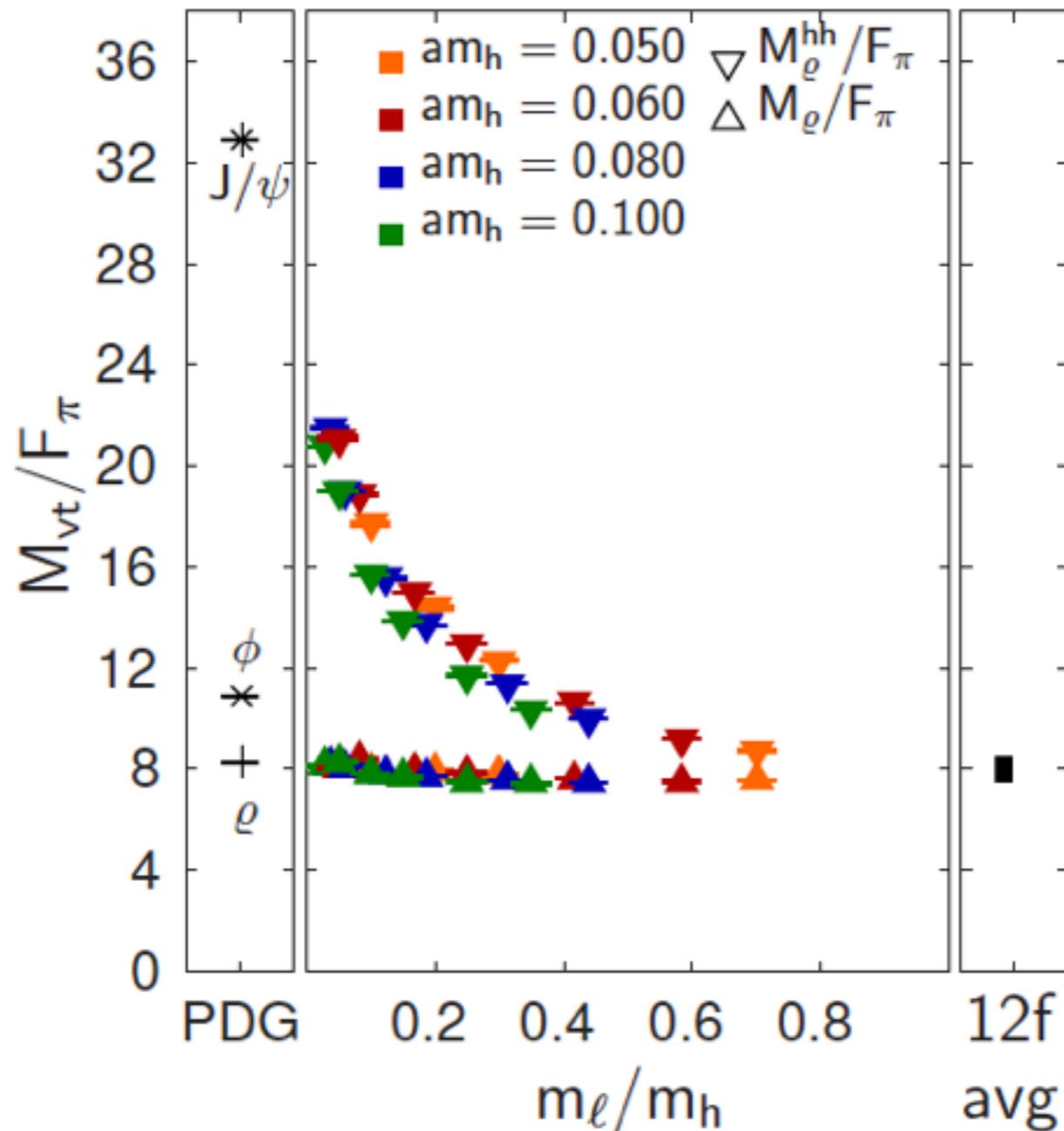
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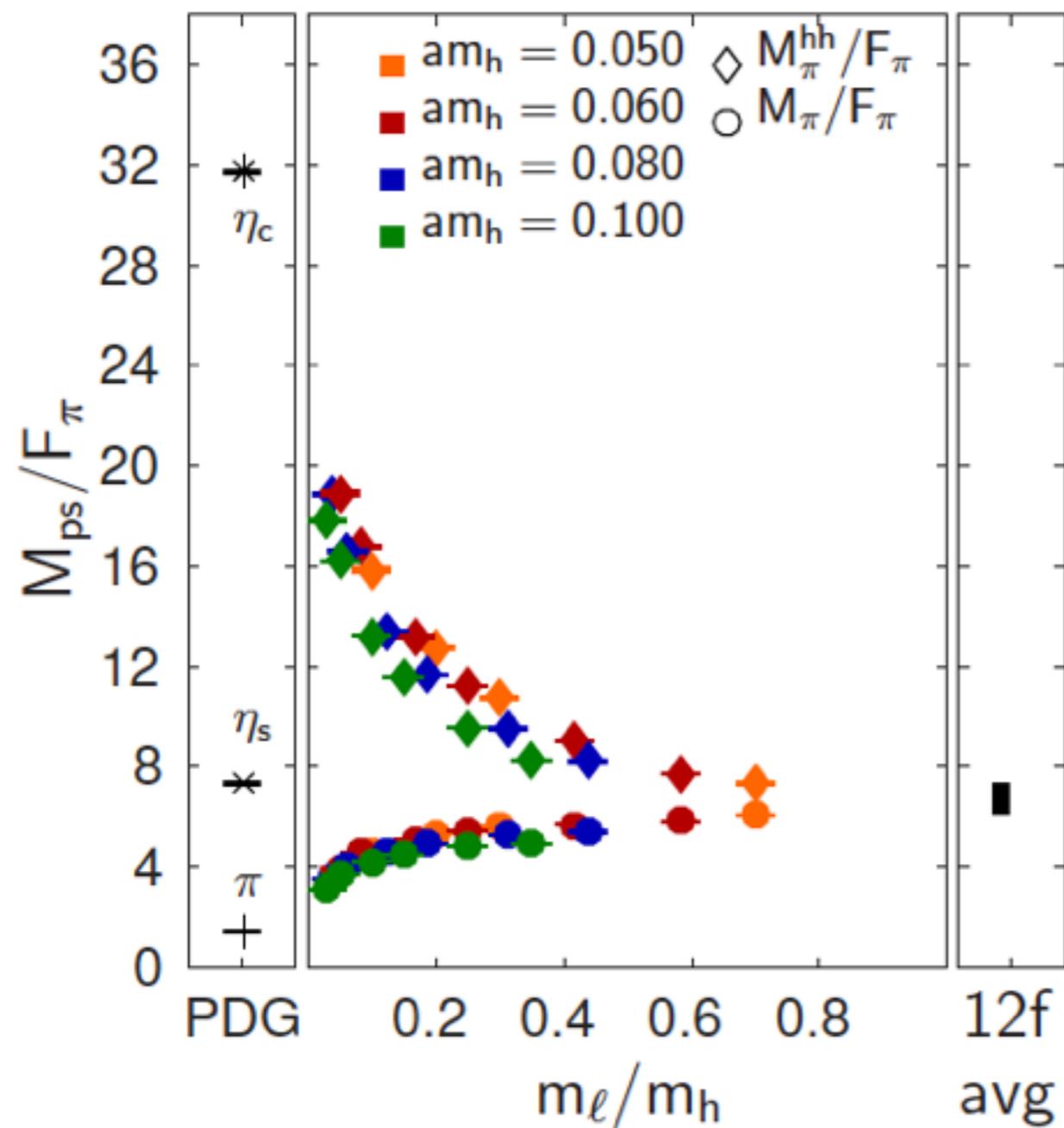


- Heavy M_{vt} / F_π increases but F_π is finite in the chiral limit
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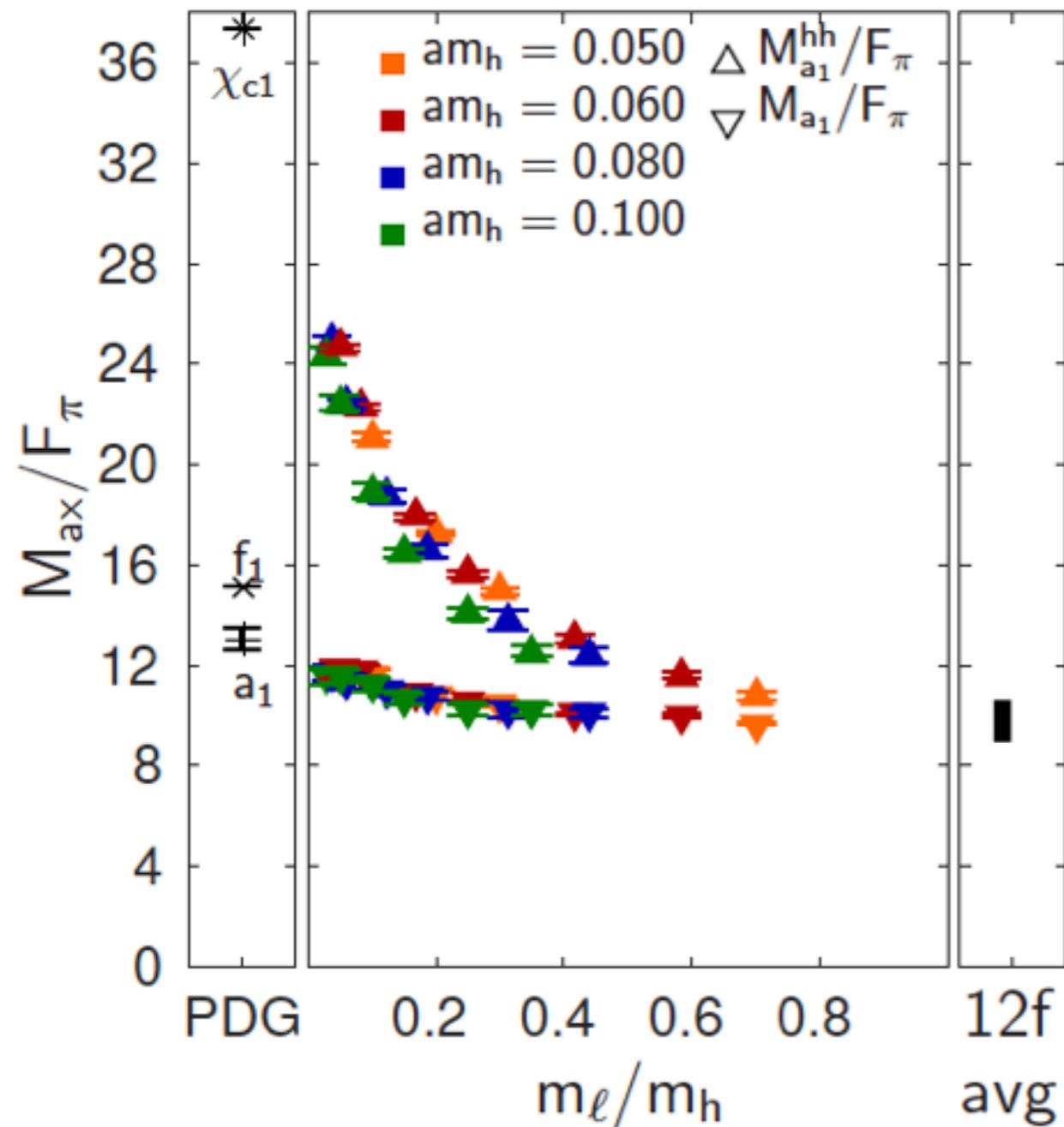


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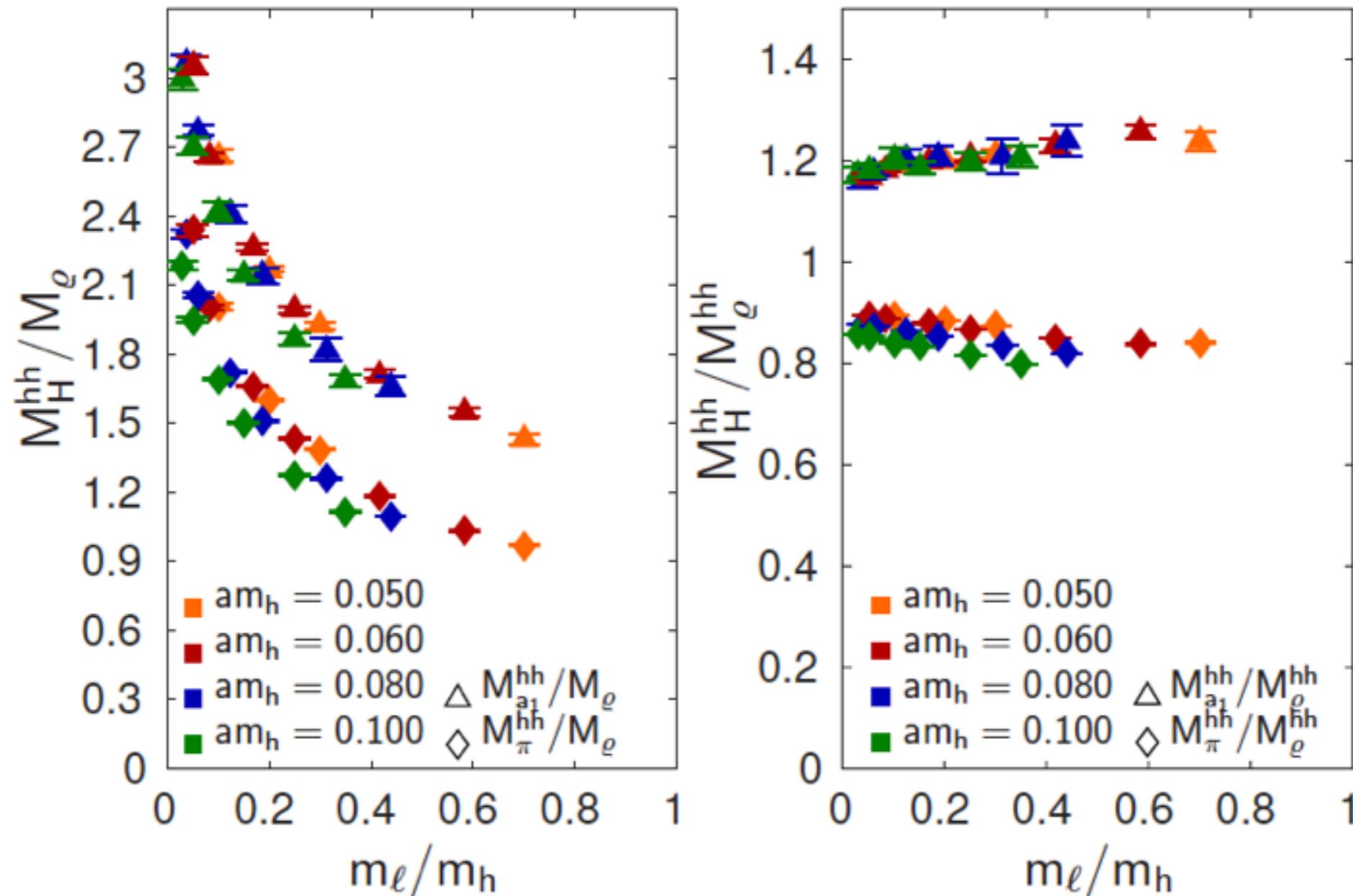
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The heavy-heavy spectrum

Light-light and heavy-heavy pseudo **scalar** and **a_1** in terms of **vector** mass



The increase in the heavy-heavy is mostly due to the light normalization

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