

Exotic Higgs Decay Probes of an Electroweak Phase Transition

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I. Context & Questions

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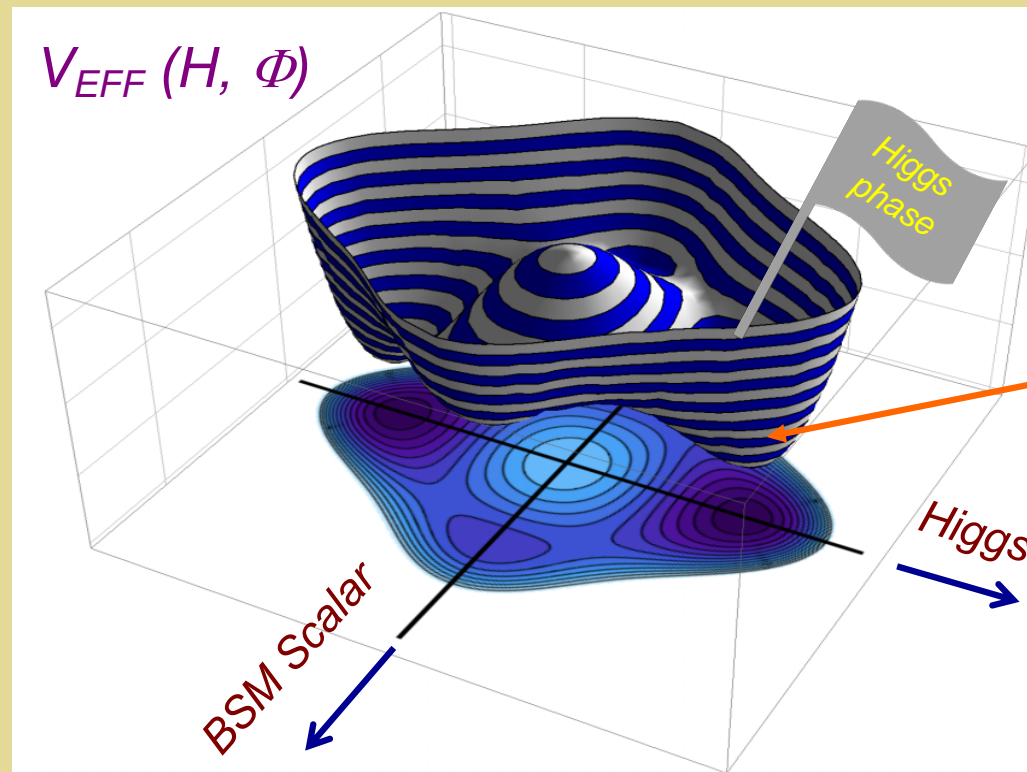
SM: $m_H < 70$ GeV



BSM Scalars



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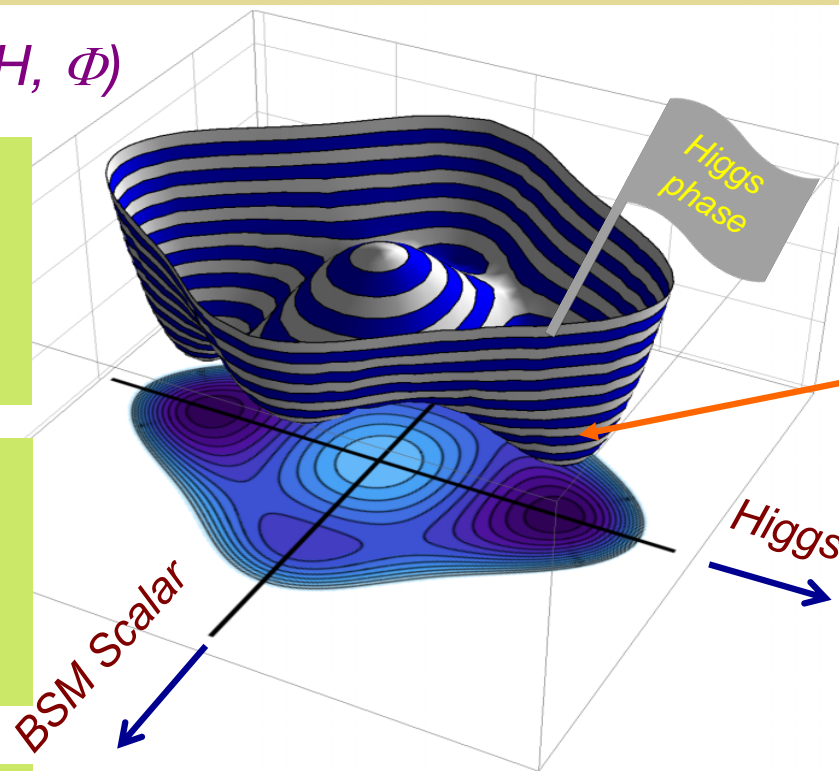


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$$V_{\text{EFF}}(H, \Phi)$$



- What is the landscape of potentials and their thermal histories?

- How can we probe this $T > 0$ landscape experimentally?

- How reliably can we compute the thermodynamics?

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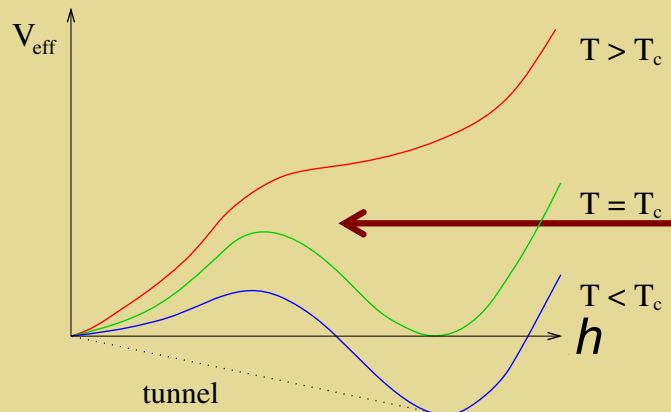
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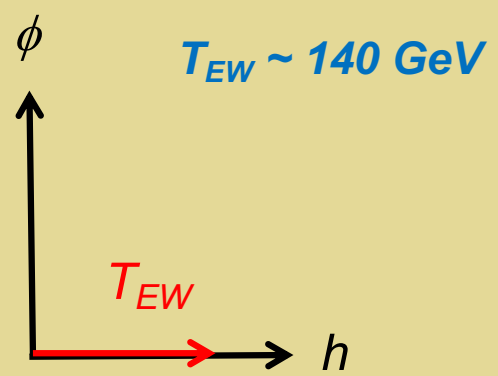
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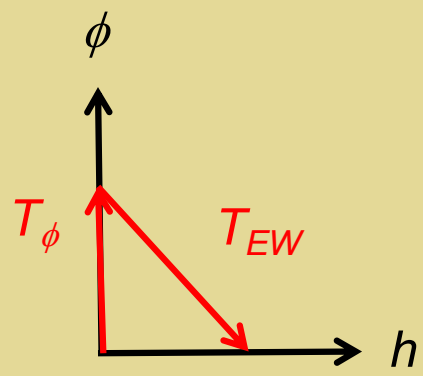
First Order EWPT from BSM Physics



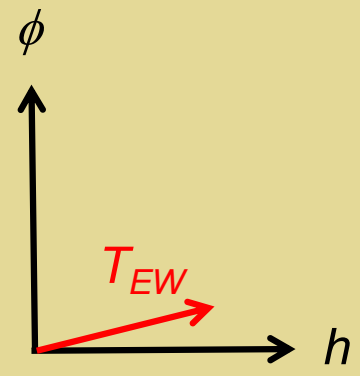
Representative thermal histories \rightarrow barrier for SFOEWPT



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loop effect



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tree-level effect



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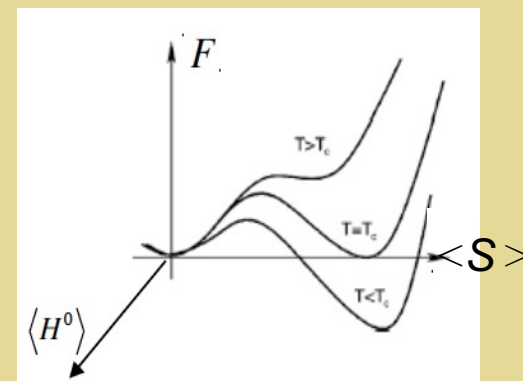
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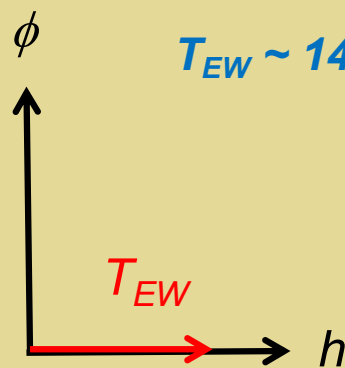
$$\begin{aligned} h_1 &= \sin \theta s + \cos \theta h \\ h_2 &= \cos \theta s - \sin \theta h \end{aligned}$$

$m_{1,2}; \theta; h_i h_j h_k$ couplings

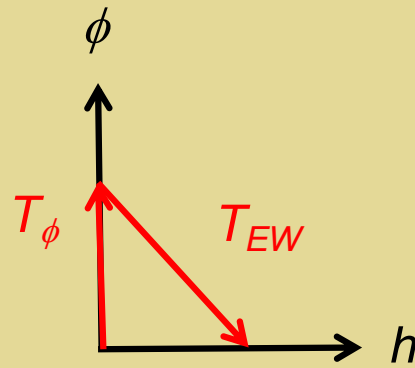
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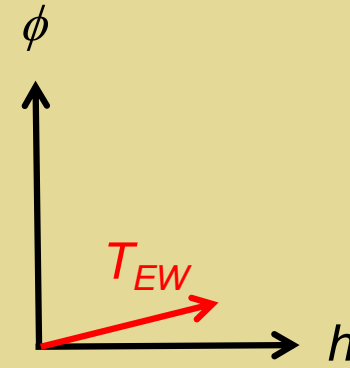
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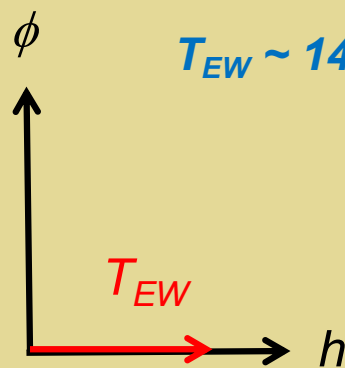
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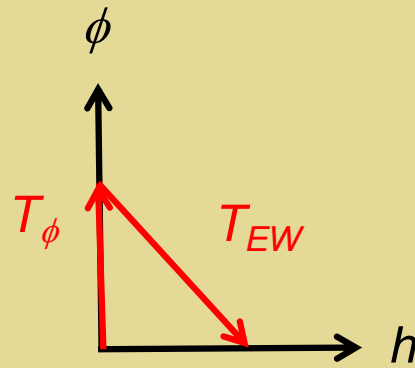
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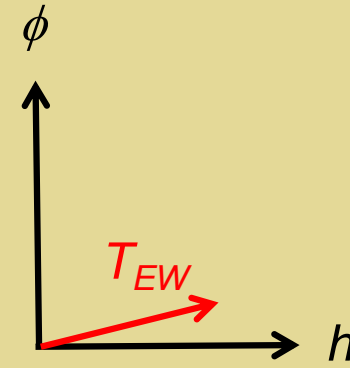
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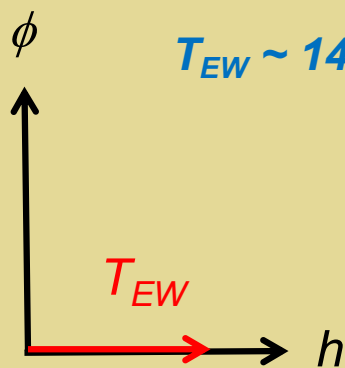
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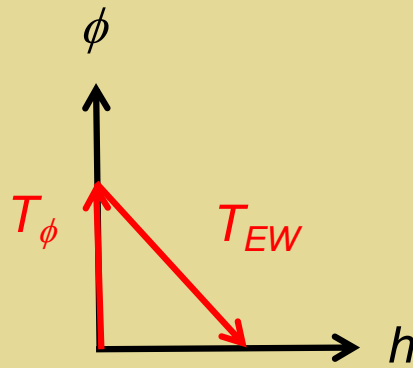
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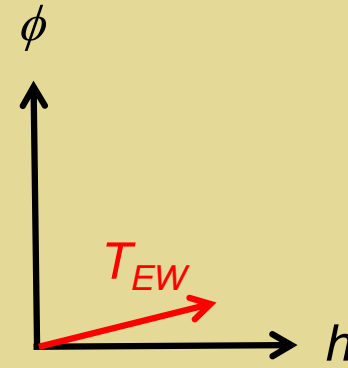


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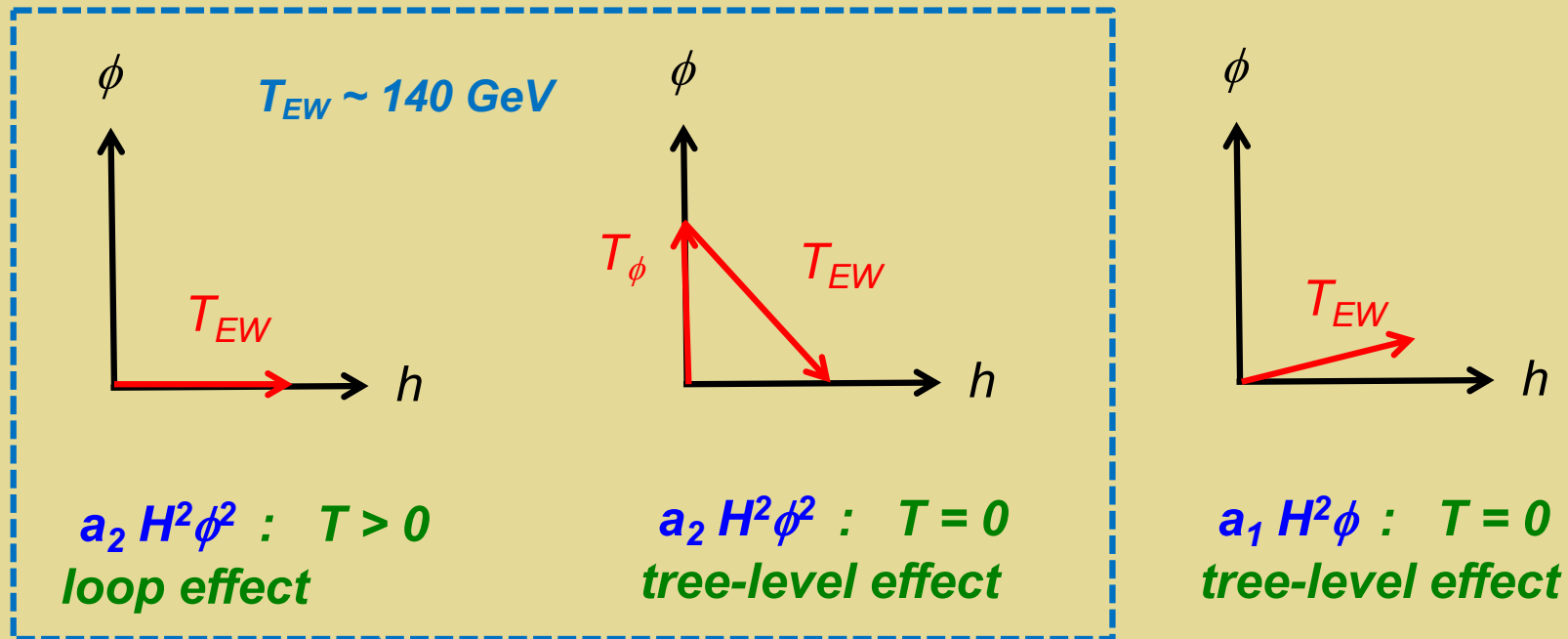
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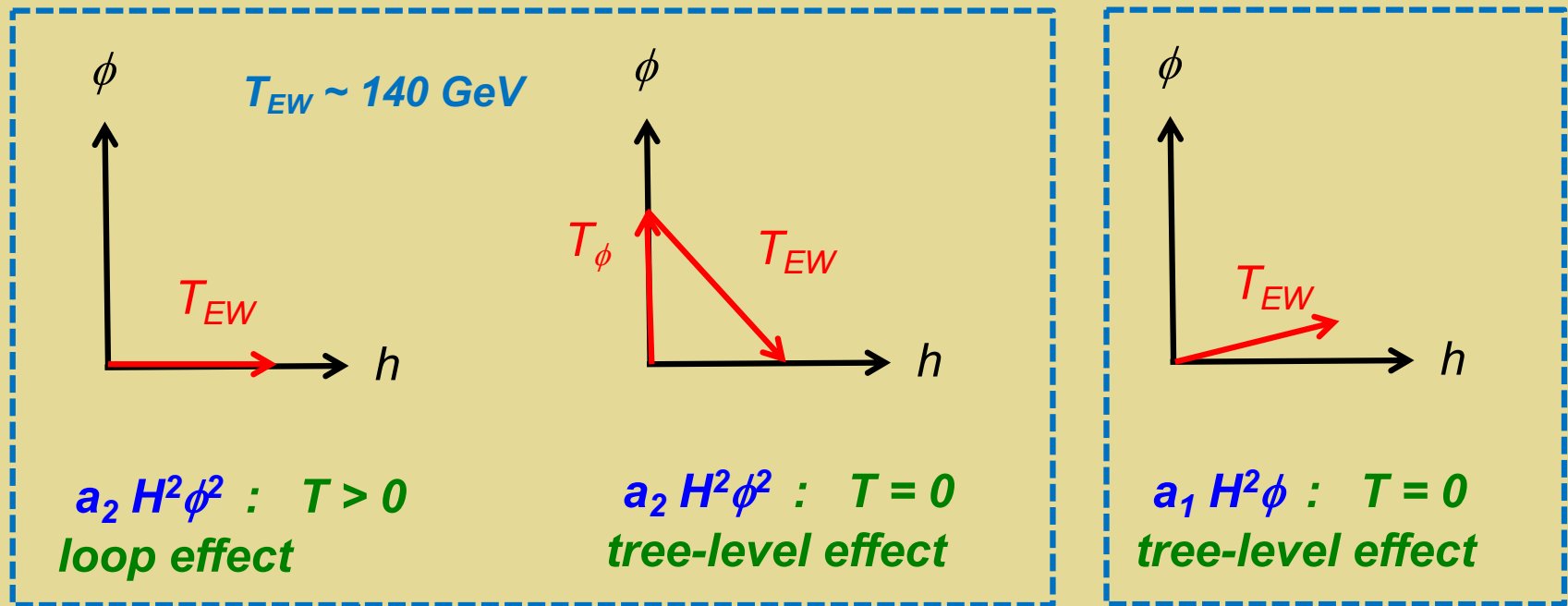
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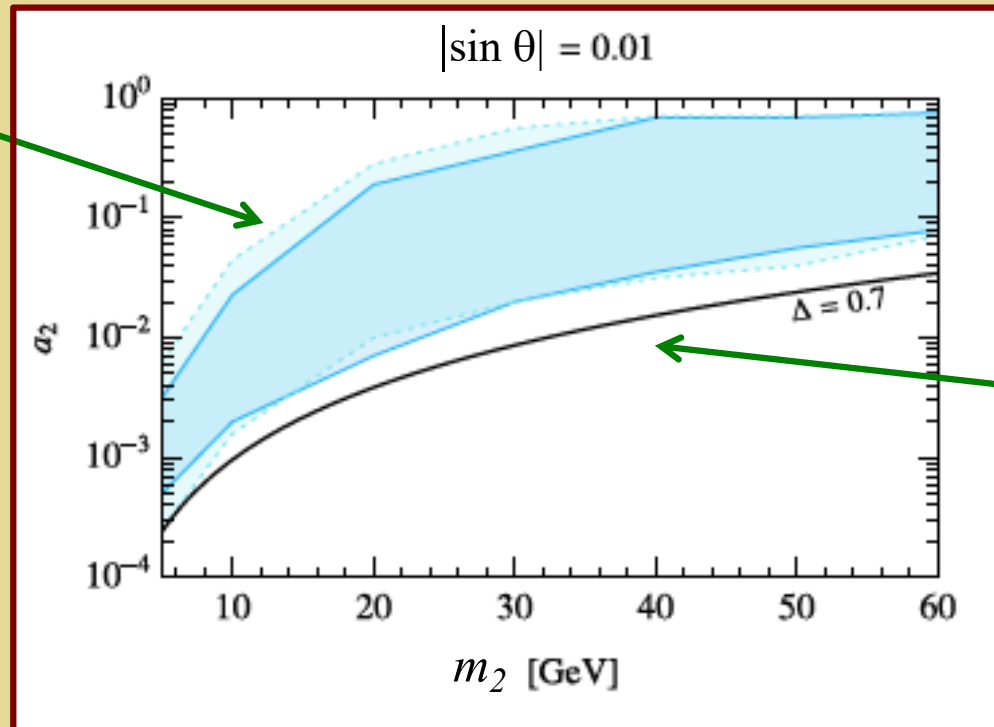
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- ***Perturbative study***
- ***Lattice benchmark (new)***

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One loop perturbation theory

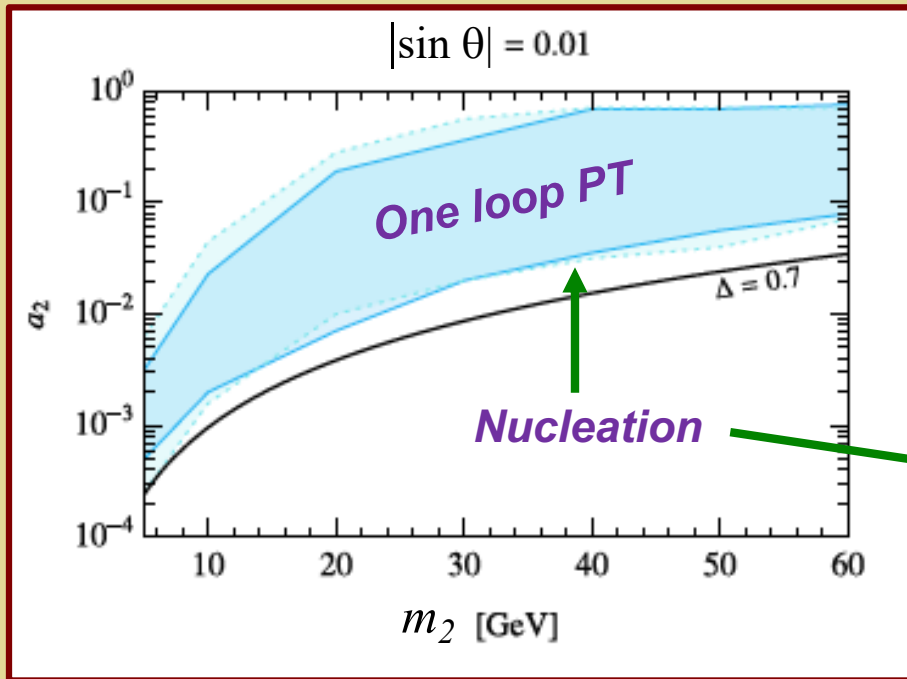
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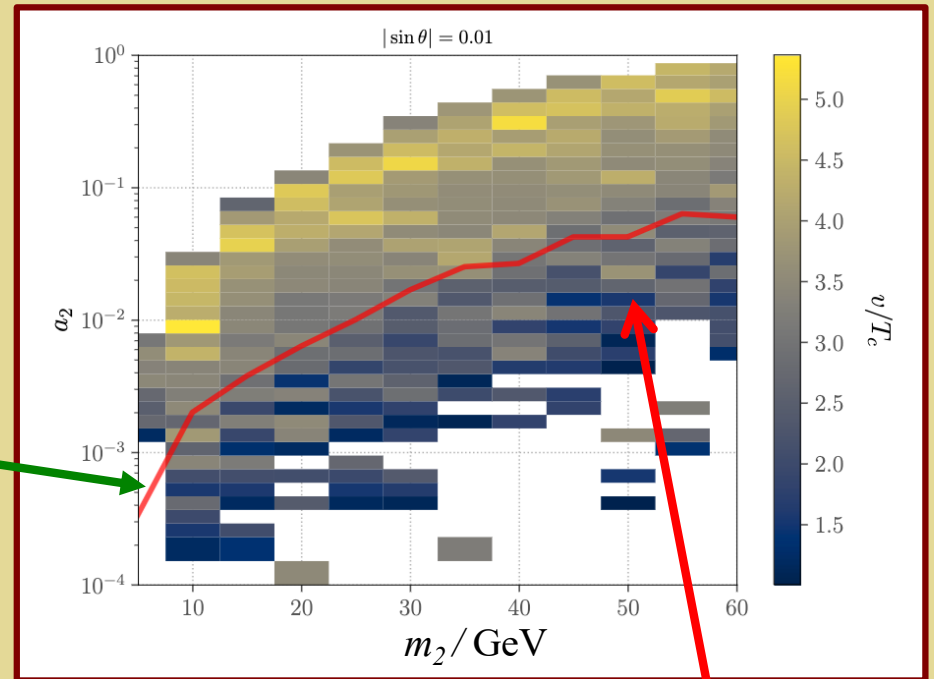
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Semi analytic
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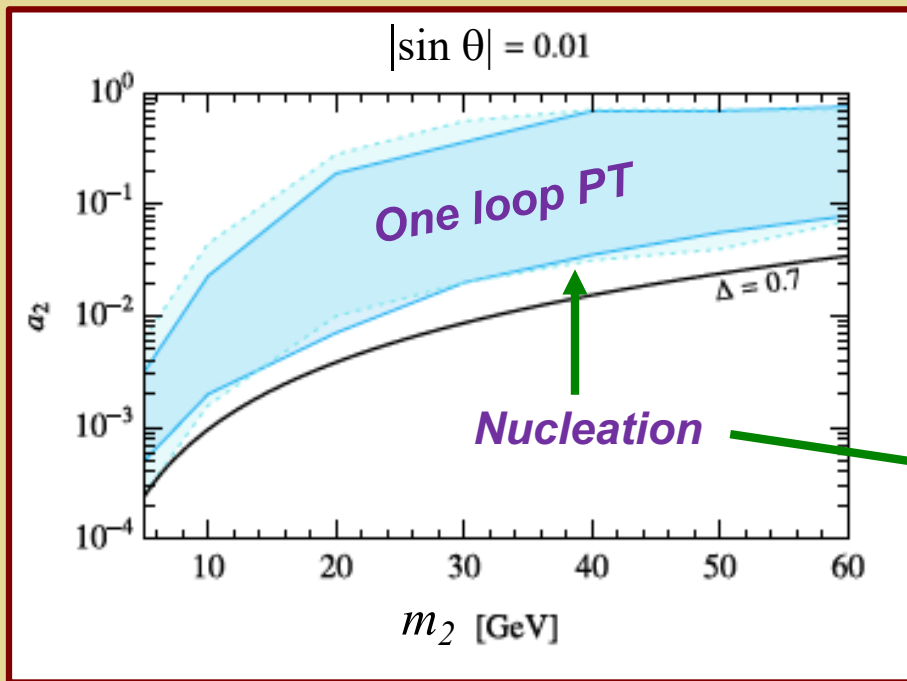
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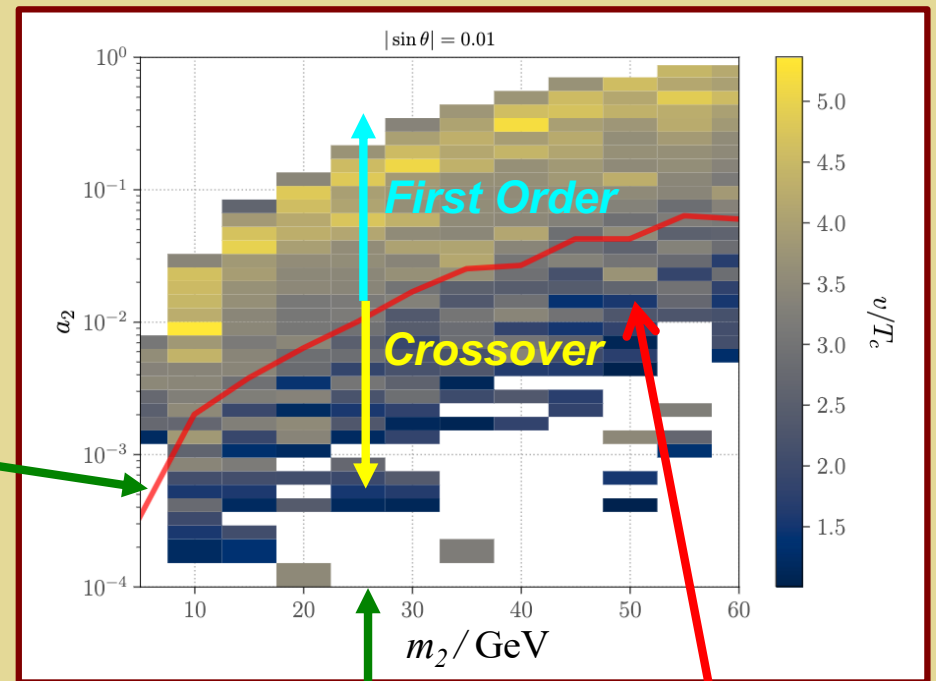
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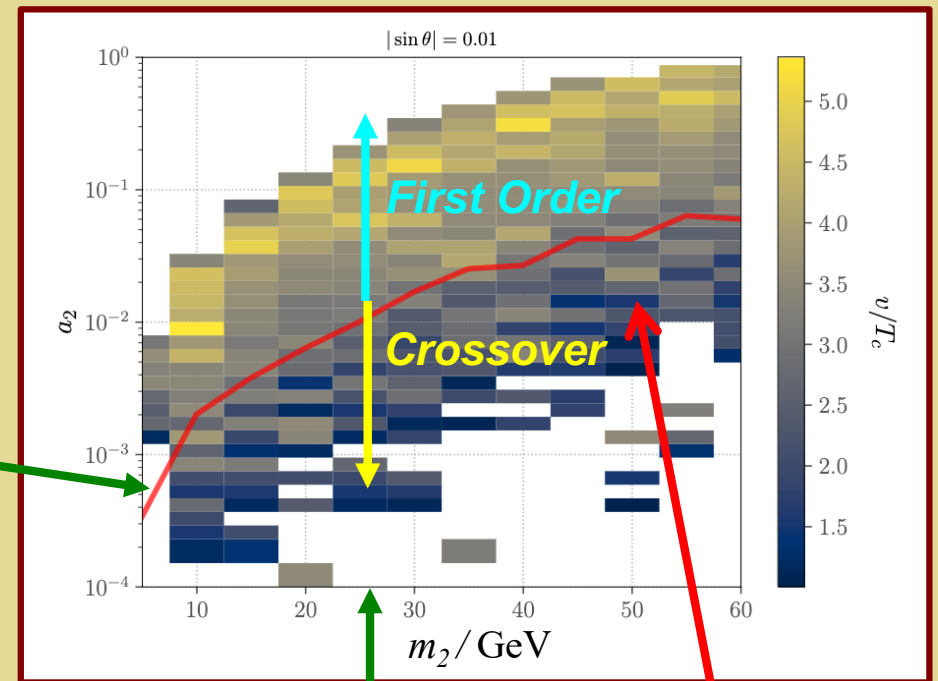
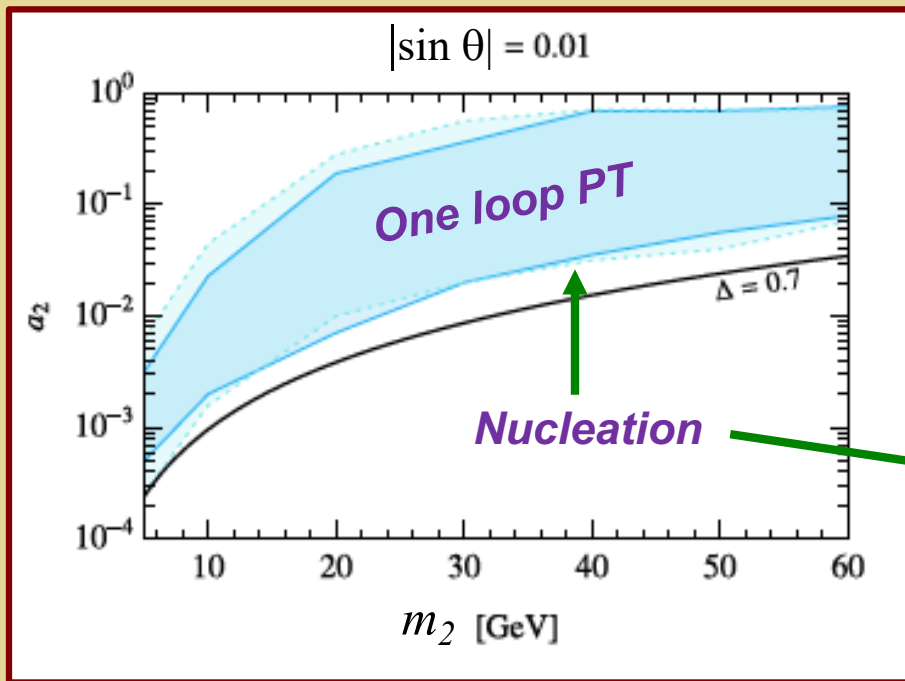


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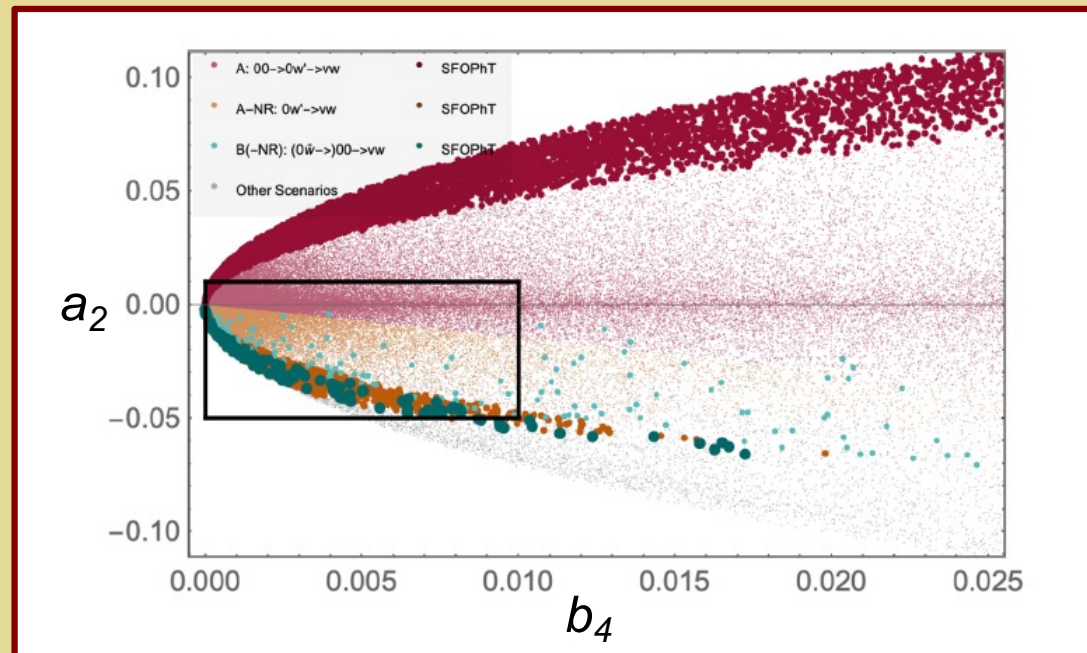
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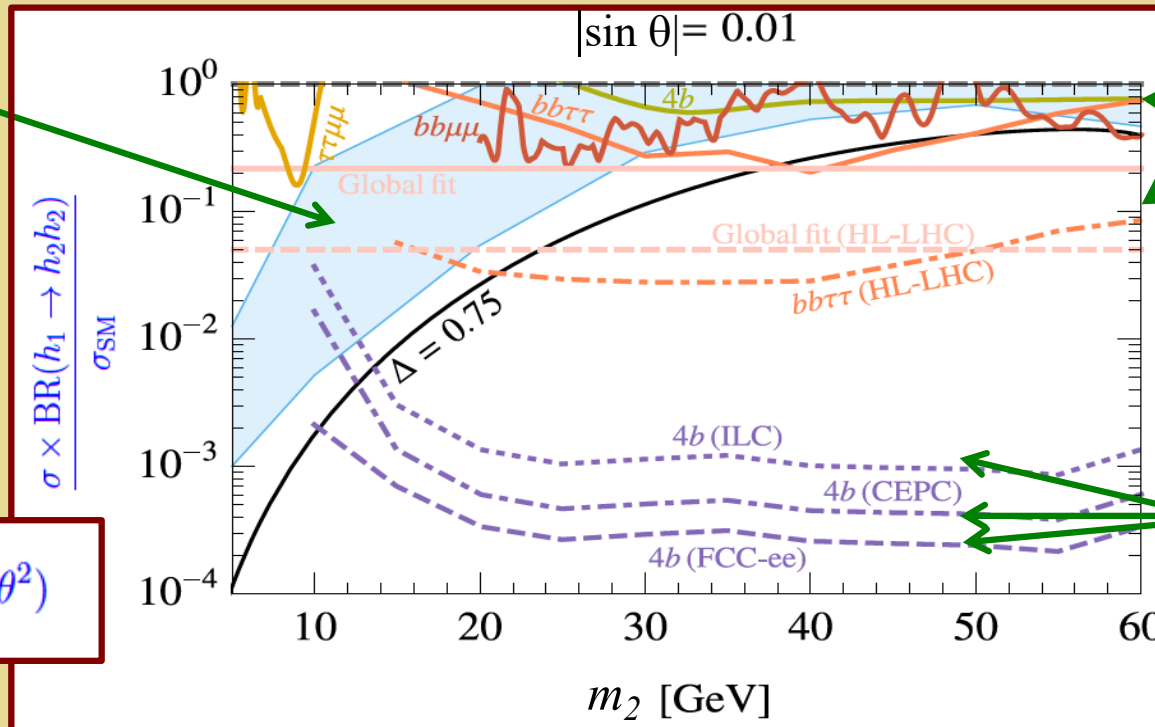
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- ***Prompt h_2 decays***
- ***Displaced h_2 decays***
- ***Invisible h_1 decays***

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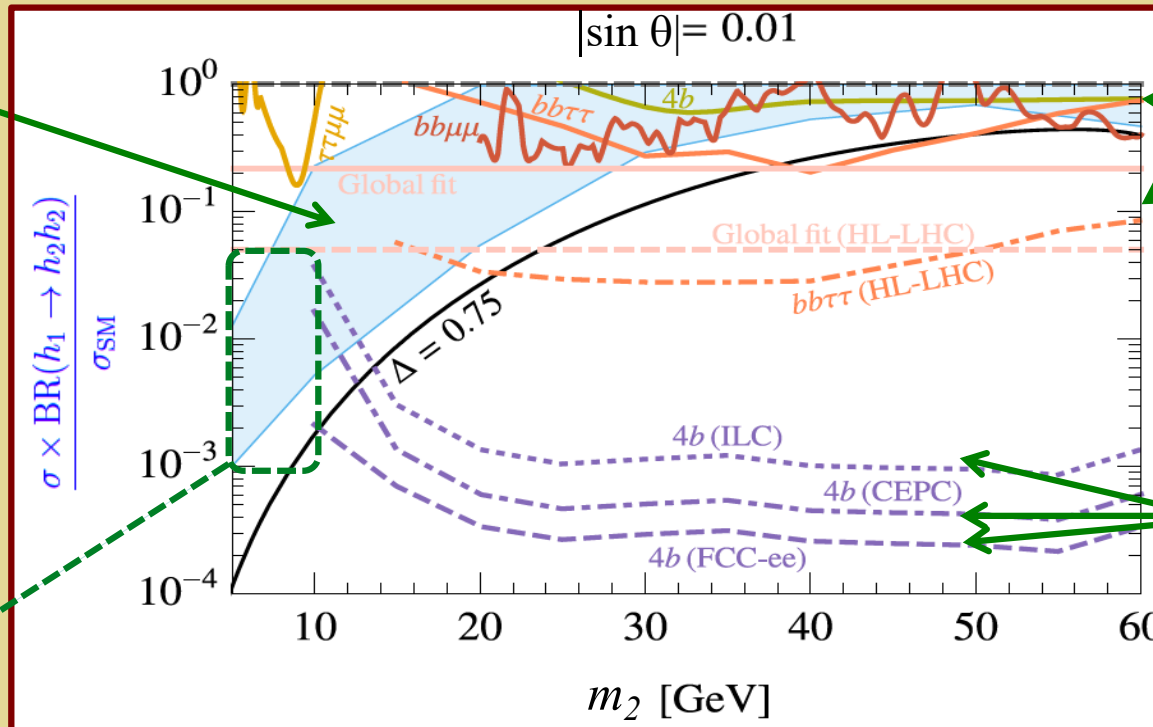
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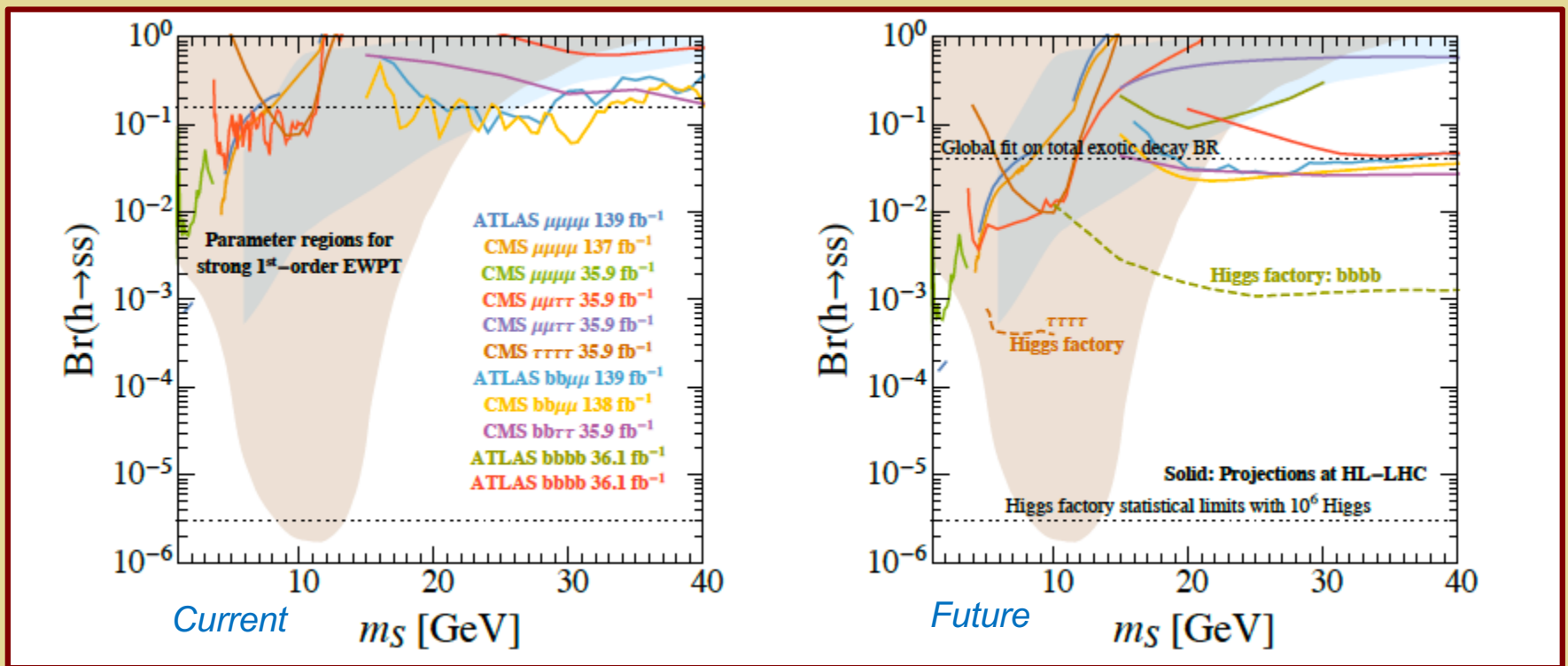
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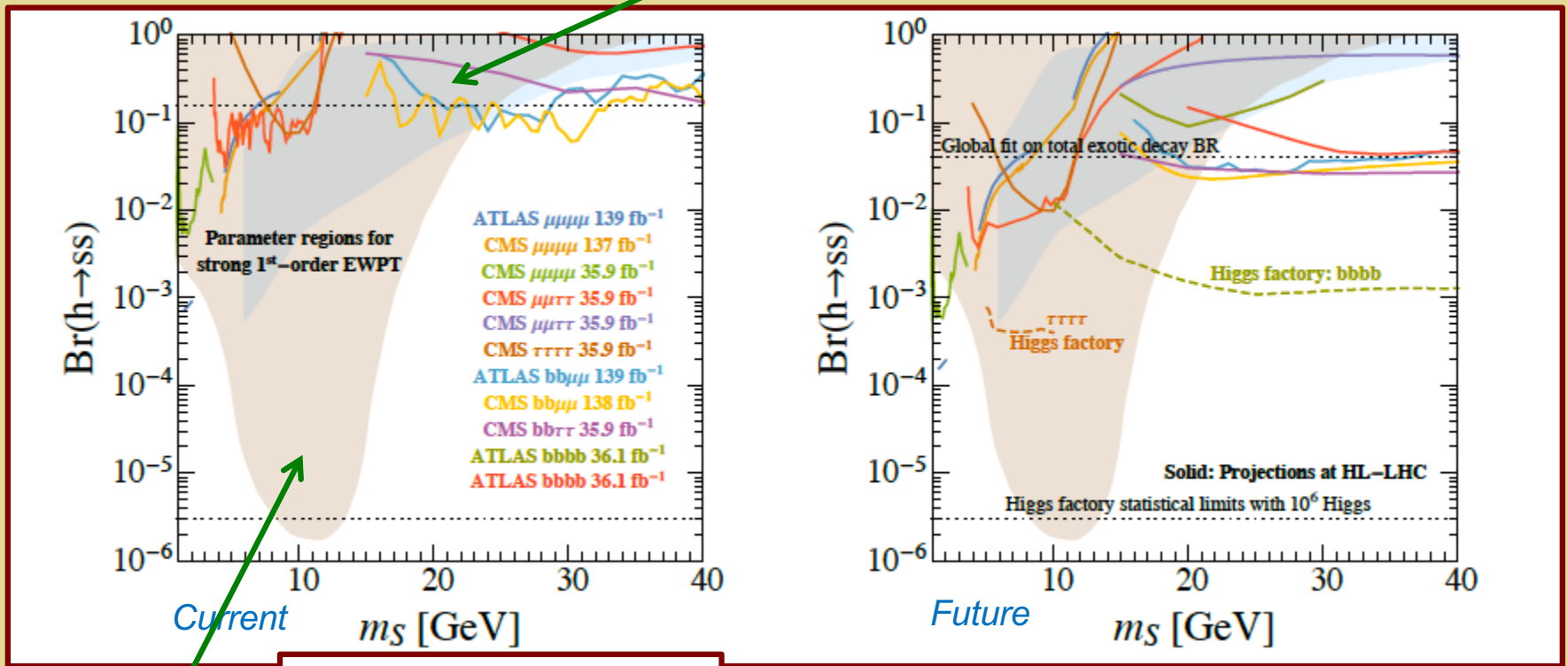


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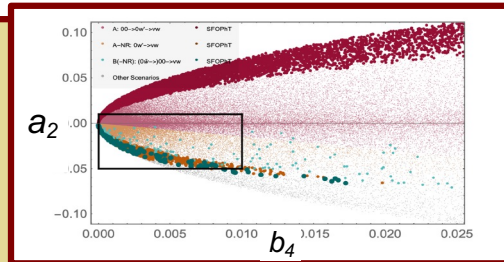
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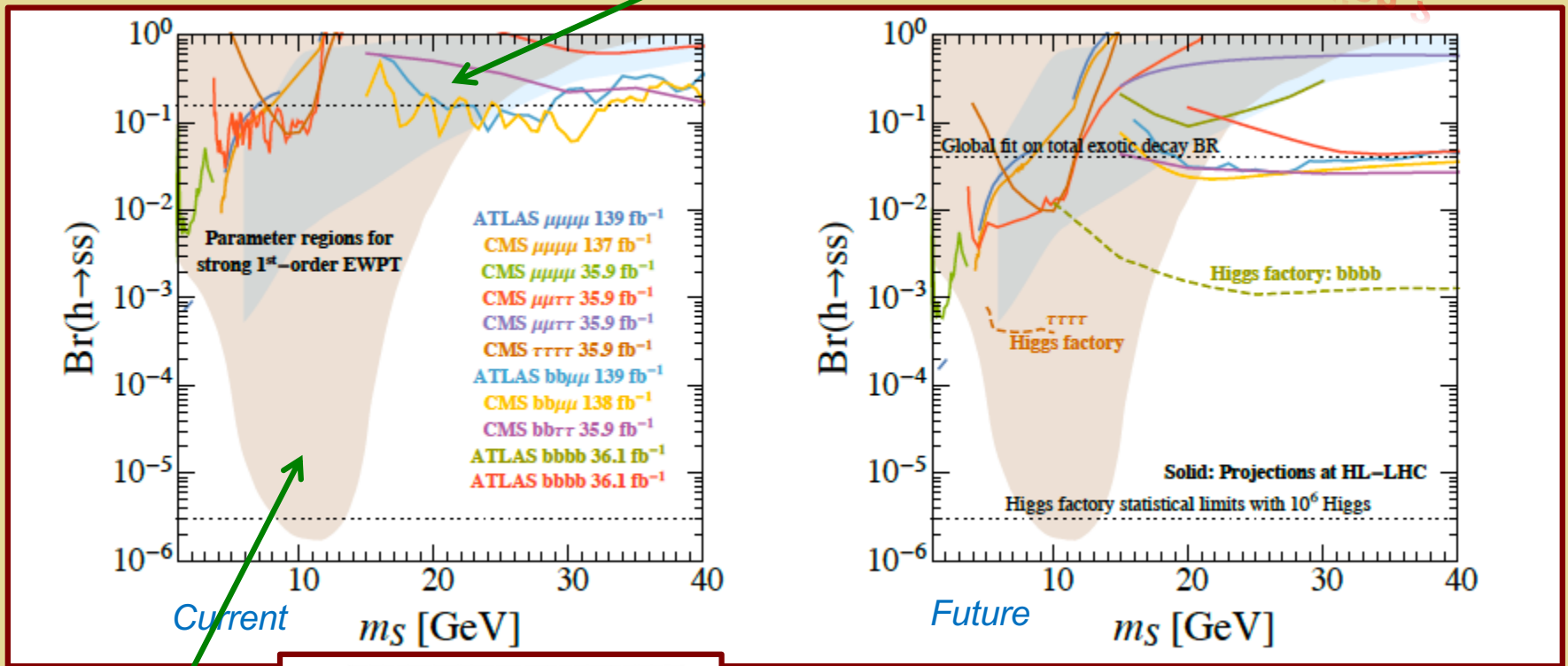
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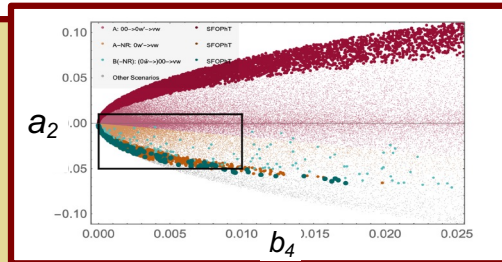
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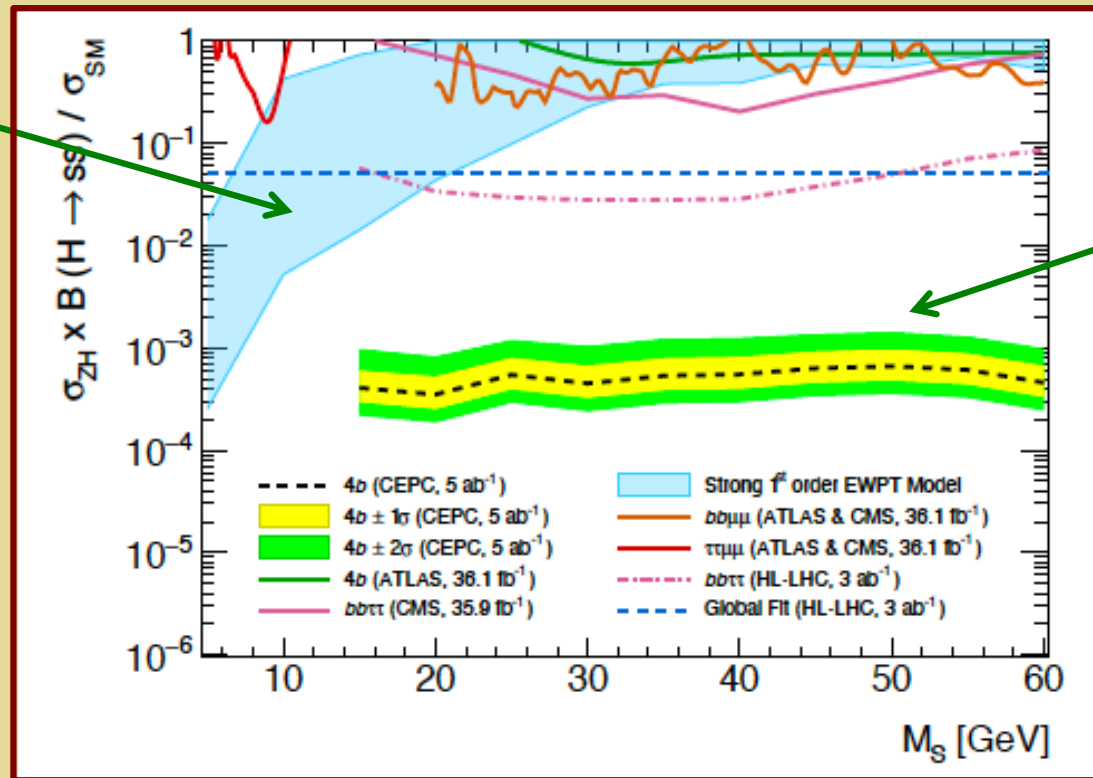


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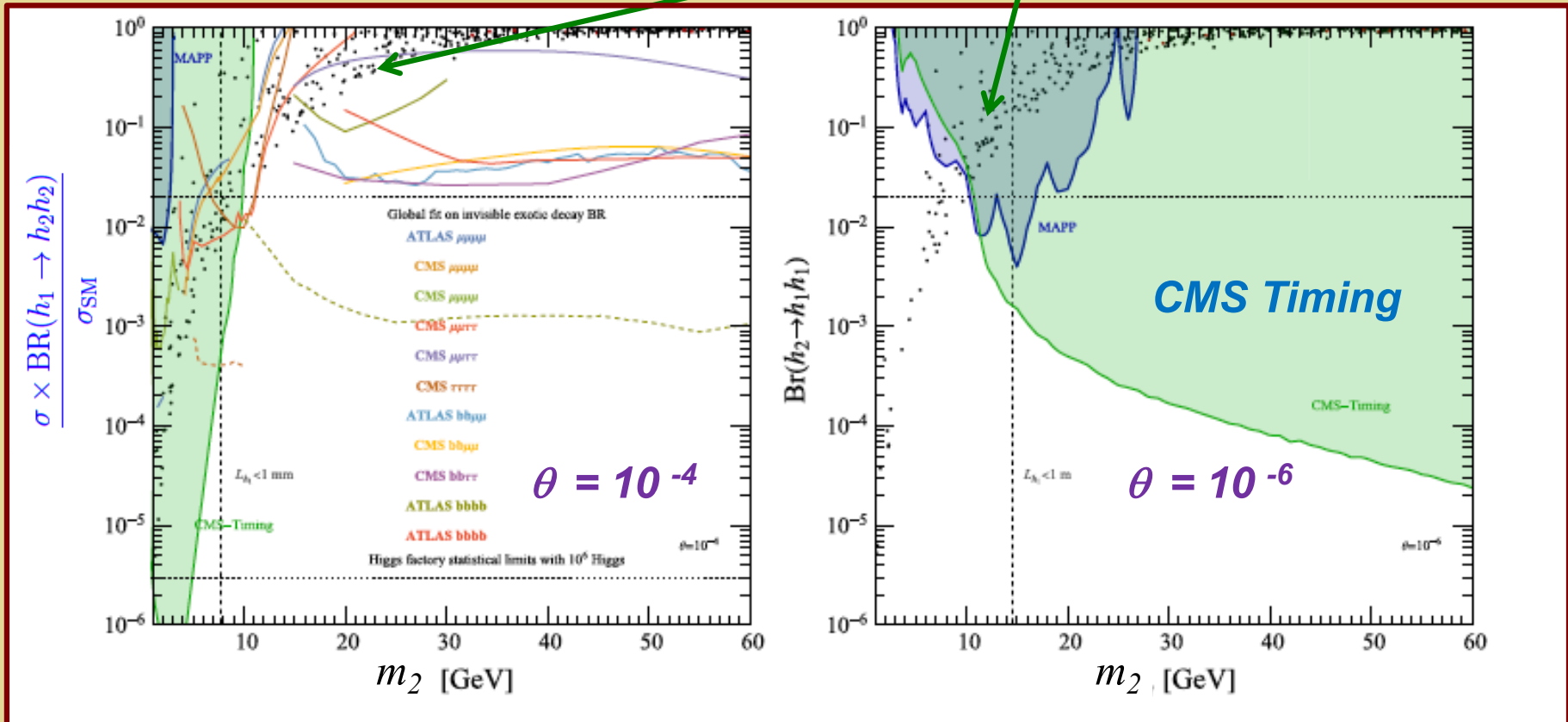
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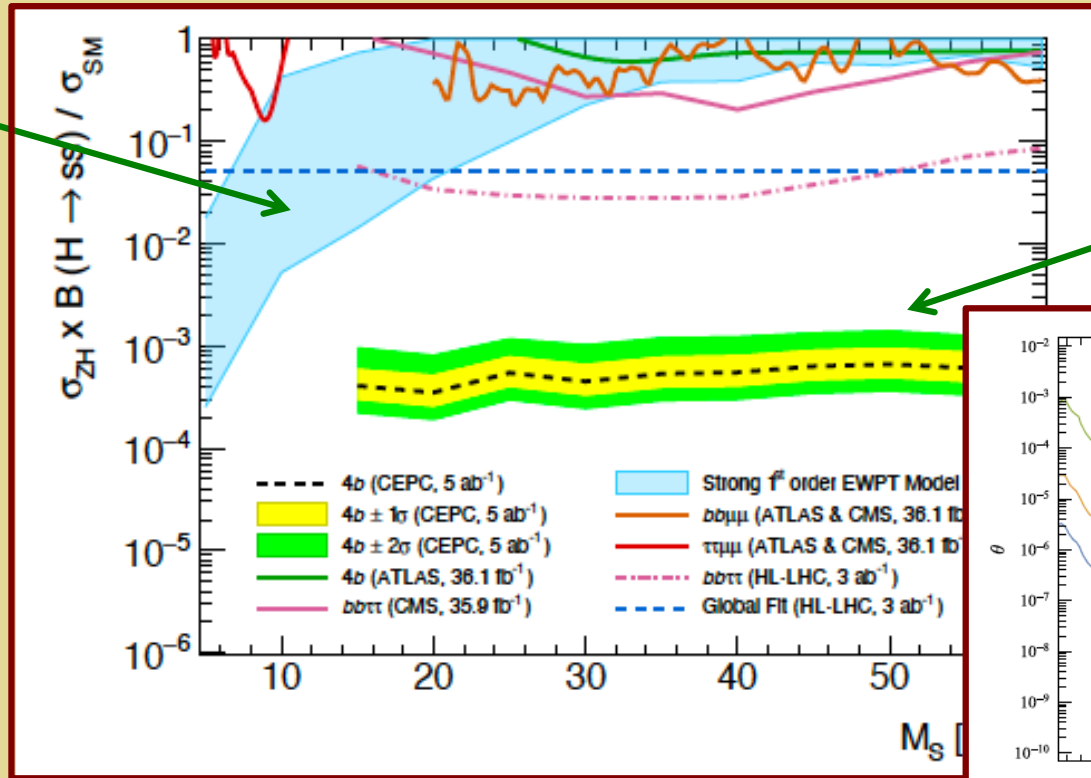


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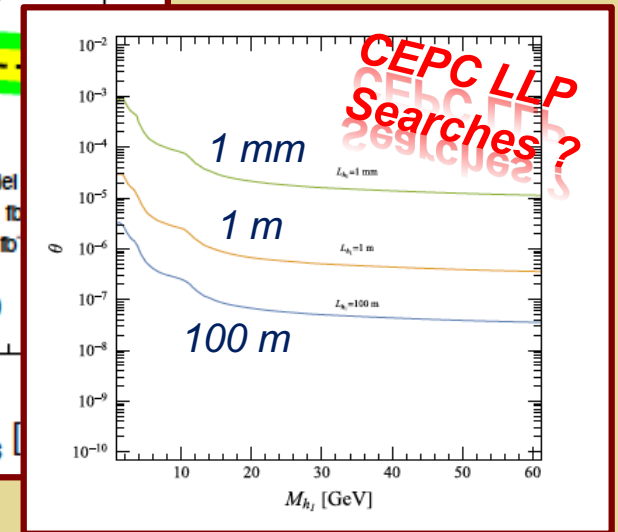
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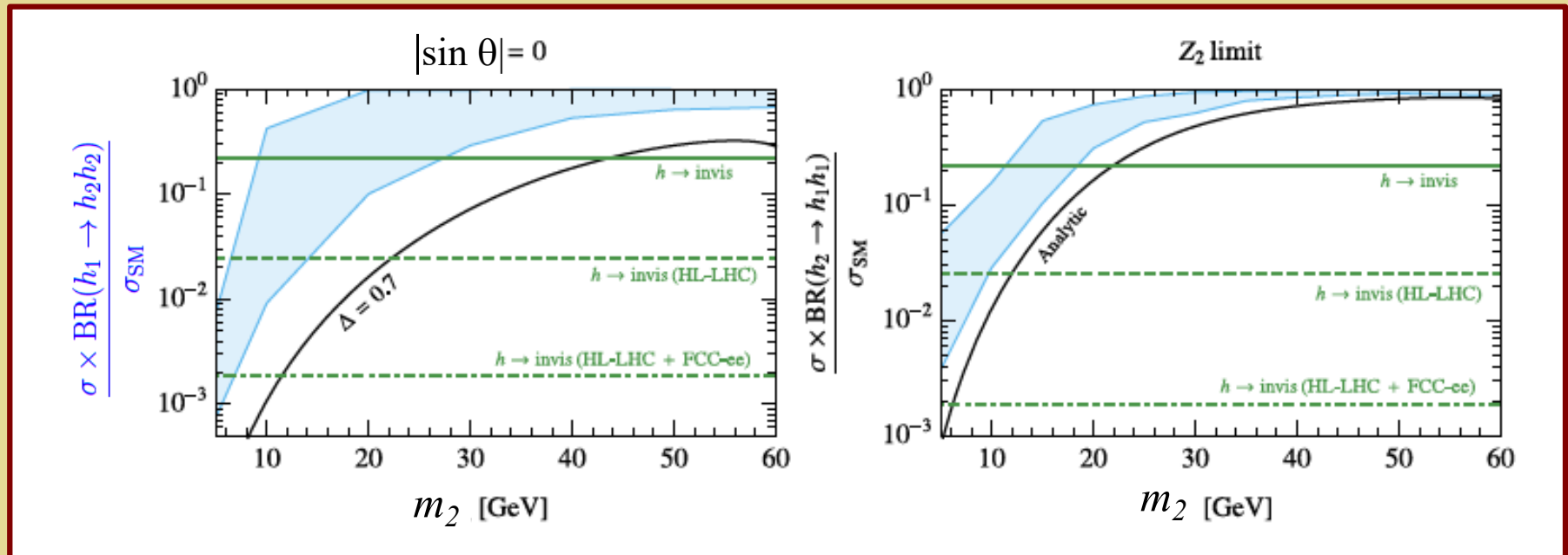


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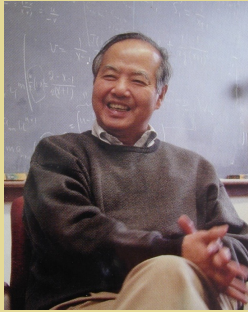


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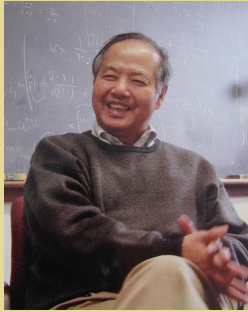
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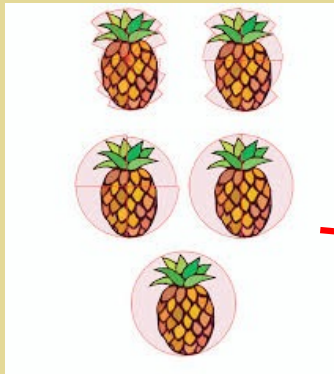
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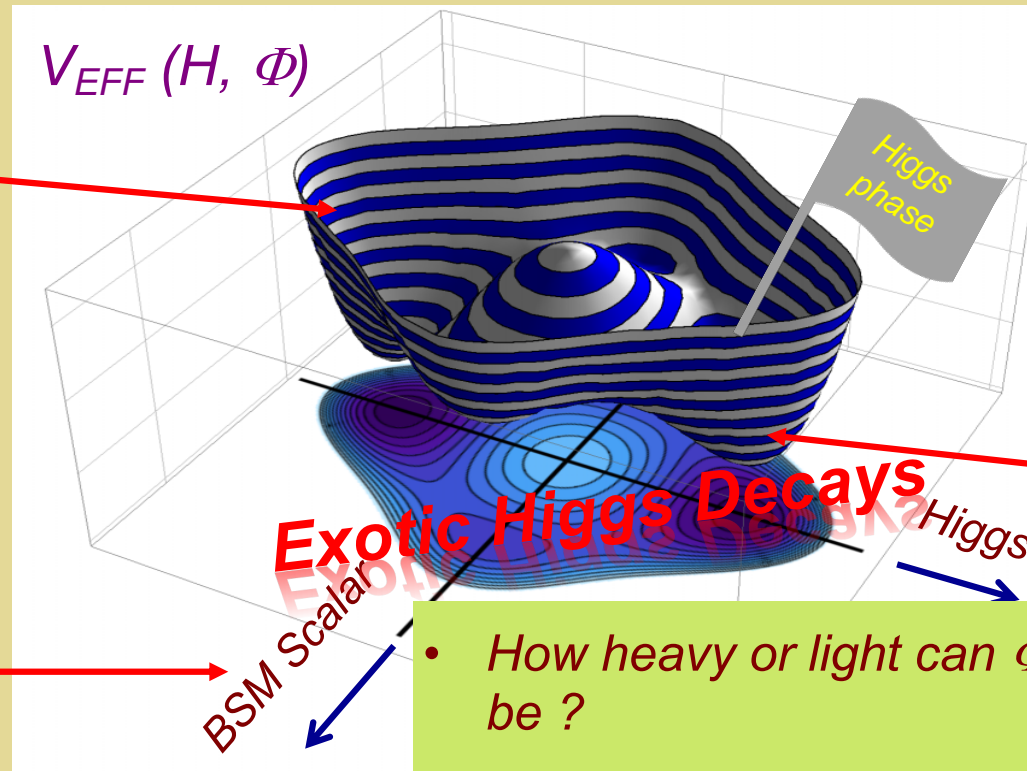


Grav Radiation

Direct Production



BSM Higgs



Higgs precision tests



Extrema can evolve
rich possibilities for

- How heavy or light can Φ be ?
- How coupled to H ?
- Can it be discovered at the LHC or beyond ?

Challenges for Theory

Perturbation theory

- *I.R. problem: poor convergence*
- *Thermal resummations*
- *Gauge Invariance (radiative barriers)*
- *RG invariance at $T>0$*

BSM proposals



Non-perturbative (I.R.)

- *Computationally and labor intensive*

EFT 1: Thermodynamics

Matching: Two Elements

Dimensional Reduction

All integrals are 3D with prefactor $T \rightarrow$ Rescale fields, couplings...

$$\int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \longrightarrow \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_n \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3}$$

- $\varphi^2_{4d} = T \varphi^2_{3d}$
- $T \lambda_{4d} = \lambda_{3d}$

Thermal Loops

Equate Greens functions

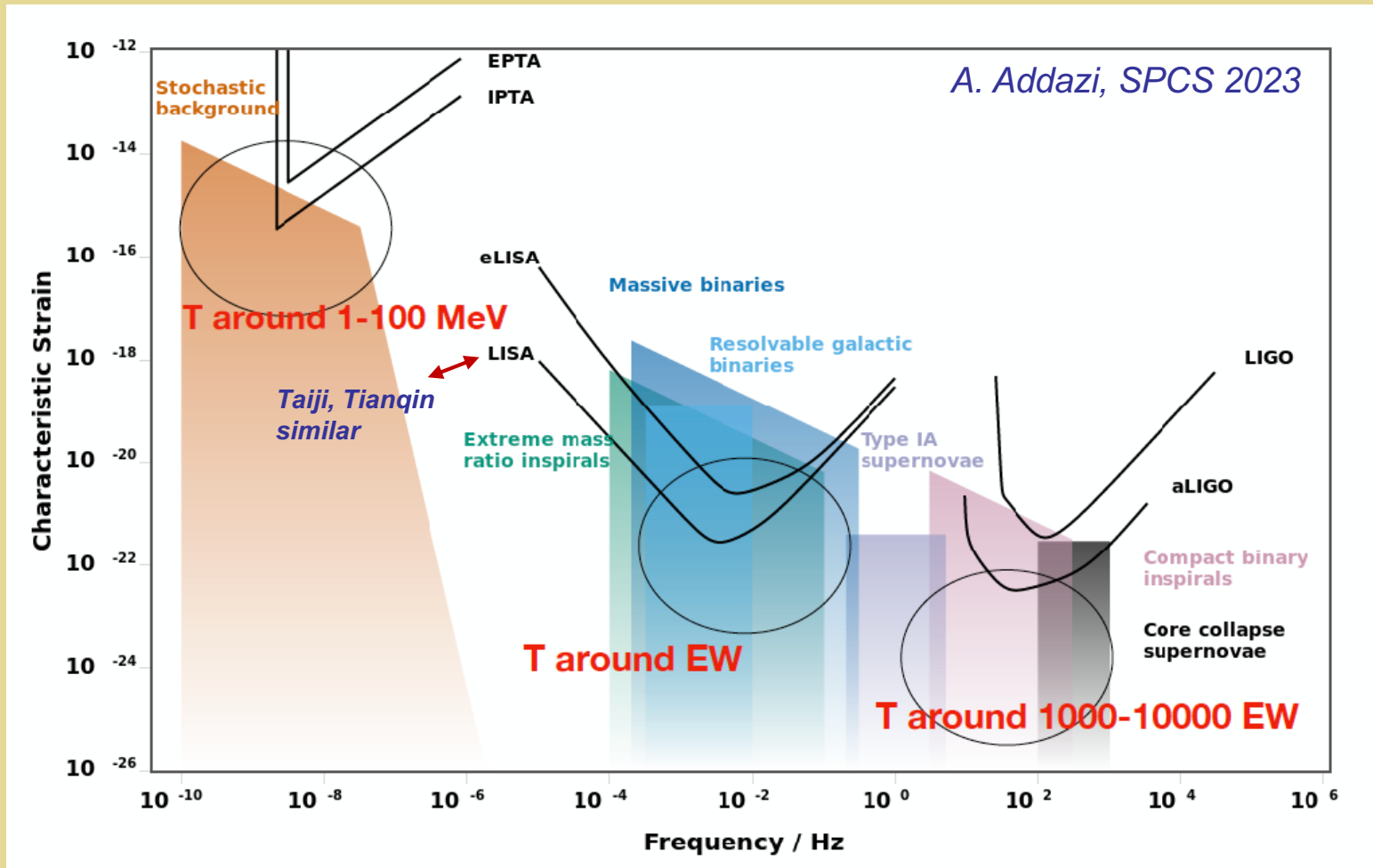
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Field

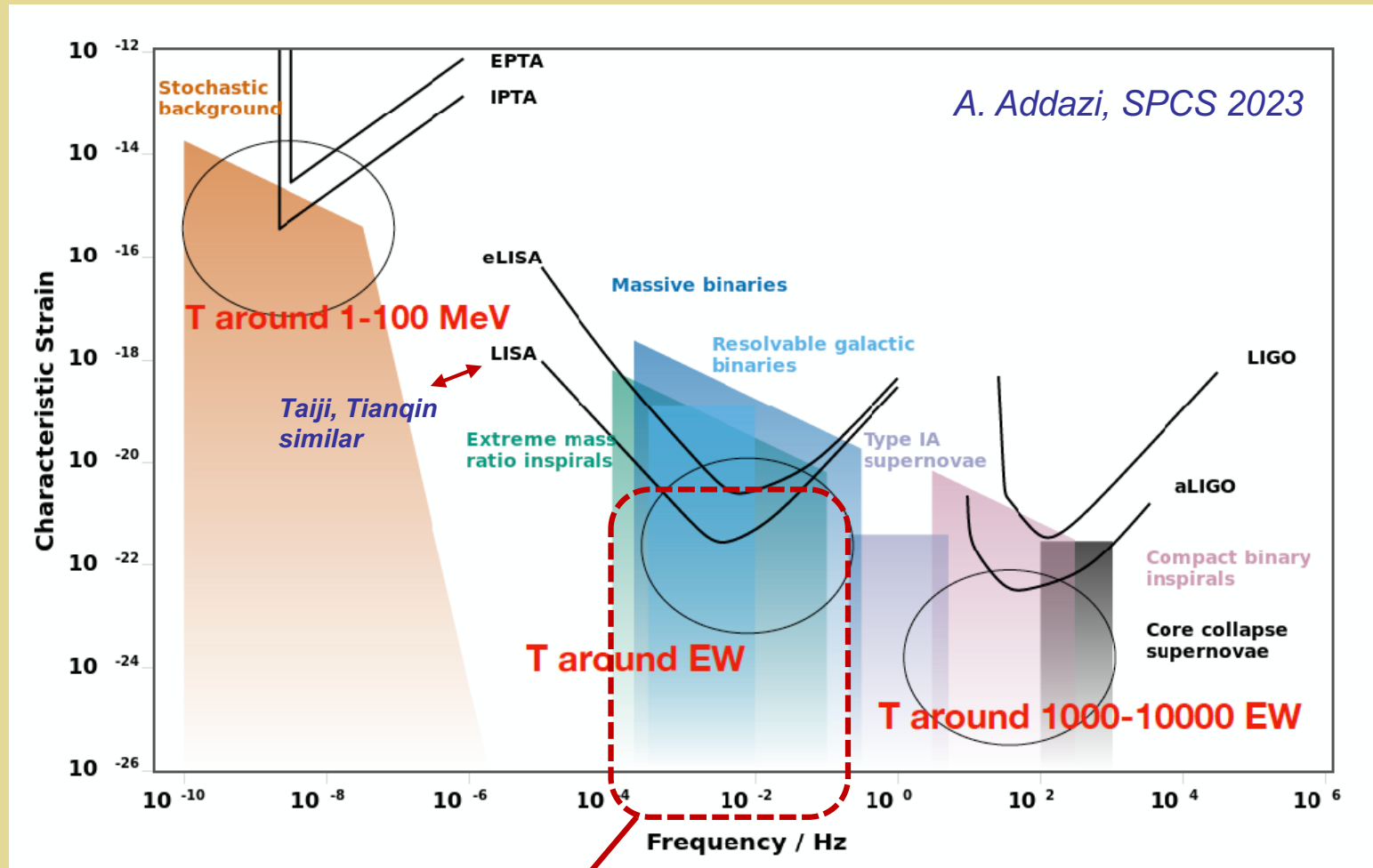
$$a_{2,3} = T [a_2 - a_2(\hat{\Pi}'_H(0) + \hat{\Pi}'_{\Sigma}(0)) + \hat{\Gamma}(0)]$$

Quartic coupling

Gravitational Waves



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EWPT laboratory for GW micro-physics: colliders can probe particle physics responsible for non-astro GW sources → test our framework for GW microphysics at other scales

BSM EWPT: Inter-frontier Connections

***Robust theory:
EFT + lattice***



***Observables:
model specific***



***Hydro:
 $\alpha, \beta / H_*$***