

Debye mass effects in the dark sector in the Early Universe

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Outline

- Basic introduction
- Energy hierarchies (non-relativistic and thermal) and suitable EFTs
- Fixed order calculation
- Calculation based on exploiting hierarchy of scales (incl. HTL resummation)
- Dark Matter density evolution
- Conclusions and Future Work

Introduction and motivation

- Look at pairs of non-relativistic particles, which could form bound state:

$$U(1) : S(\chi\bar{\chi}) \rightleftharpoons B(\chi\bar{\chi})$$

$$SU(3) : S(\chi\bar{\chi})_8 \rightleftharpoons B(\chi\bar{\chi})_1$$

when thermal effects are non-negligible

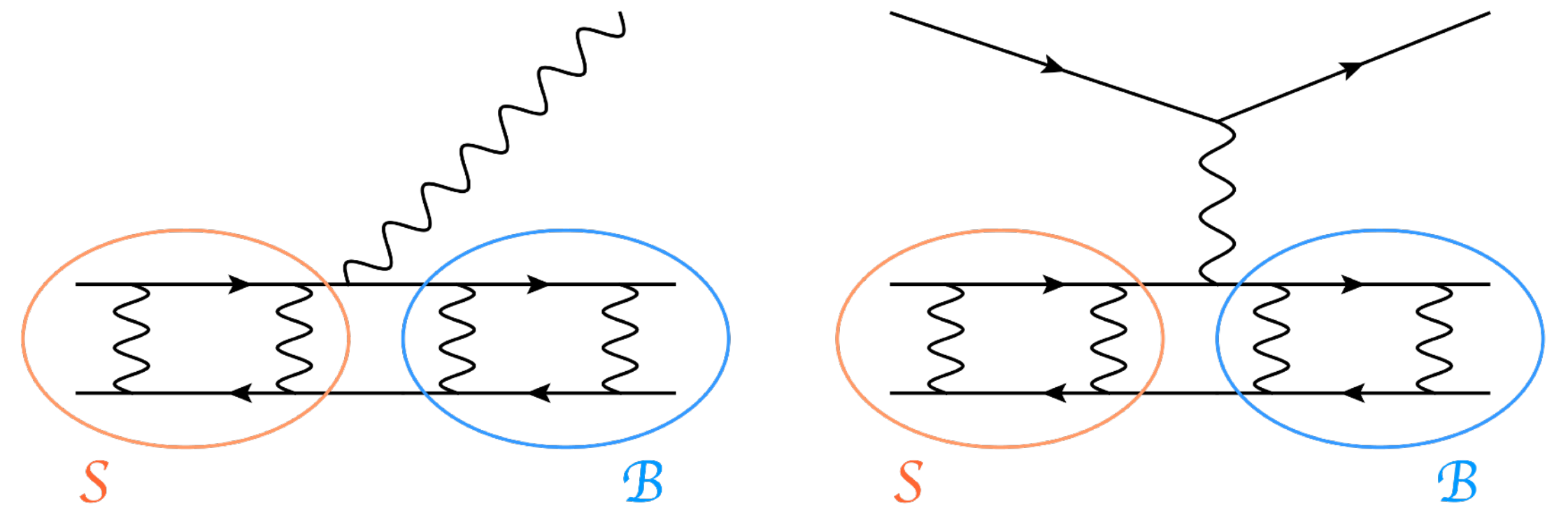
Applications:

- Dark matter bound states in early universe plasma

(nucleosynthesis, relic abundances of DM)

- Heavy quarkonium production during heavy ion collision in QGP

(properties of QGP, quarkonium suppression)



Model of the dark sector

$$\mathcal{L}_{DM} = \bar{X}(i\not{D} - m)X - \frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} \bar{f}_k(i\not{D} - m_f)f_k$$

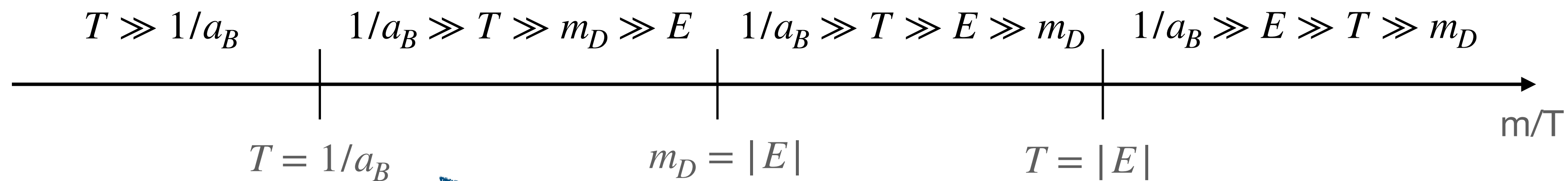
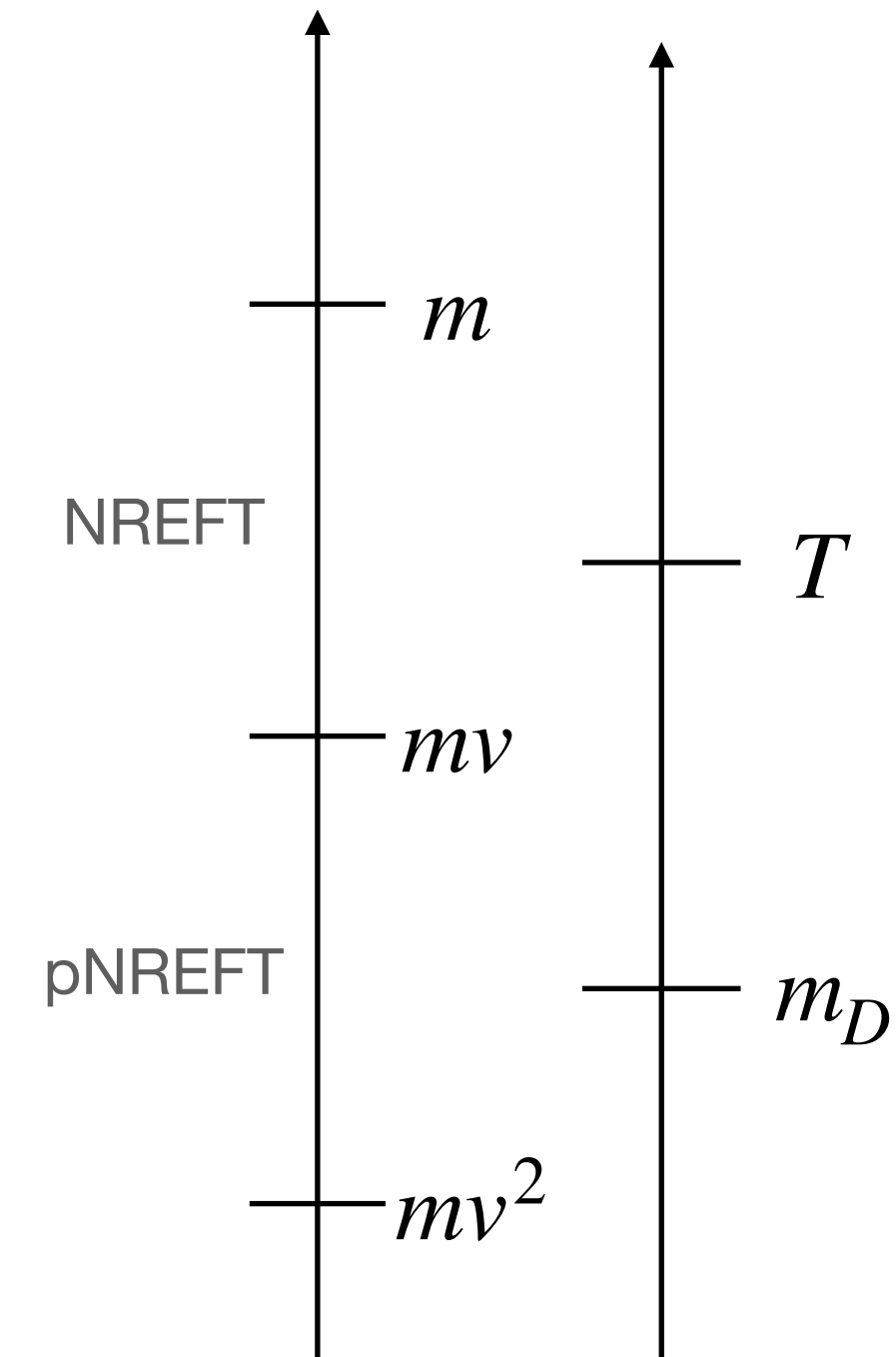
- Heavy dark matter fermion
- Dark photons
- Light d.o.f, fermions - enable scale m_D to appear

New part (comparing to prev. talk by G. Qerimi)

* Debye mass: $m_D^2 = n_f \frac{g^2 T^2}{3}$

Energy scales present

- Two energy scales:
 - $T \gg m_D$ (thermal)
 - $m \gg mv \gg mv^2$ (non-relativistic)
- Cosmologically interesting: $m \gg T$;
 $T \gg m_D \sim gT$ (weakly interacting plasma)
- As the Universe expands, temperature drops:



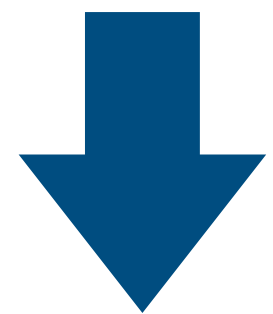
Freeze-out usually occurs here

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Universe expands

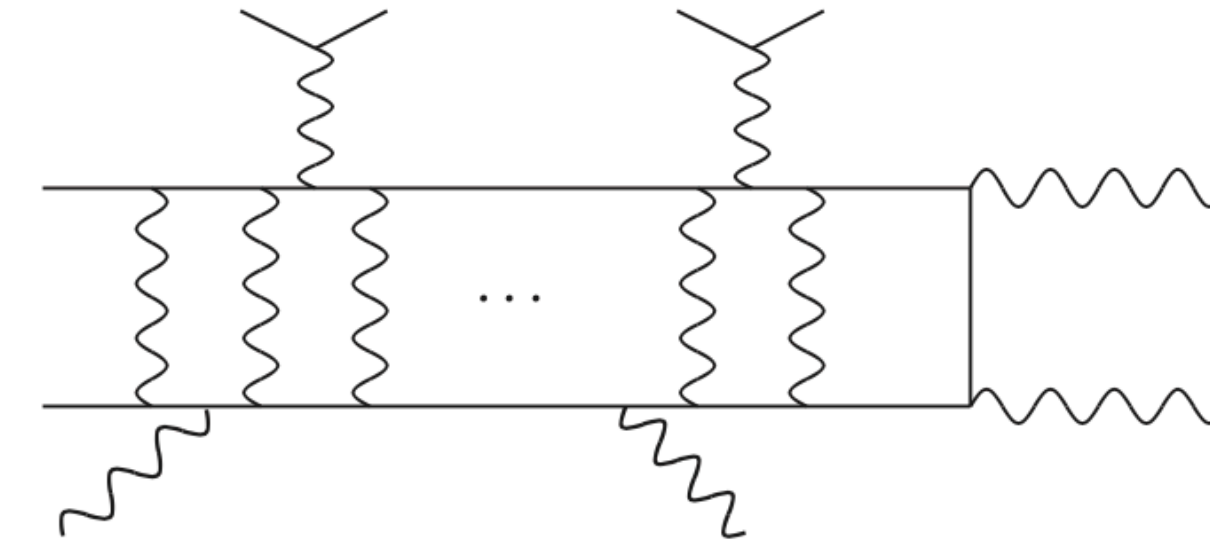
To get EFT for a specific energy hierarchy, we need to integrate out scale by scale, starting from the highest (m scale)

Pair description in EFT: NRQED

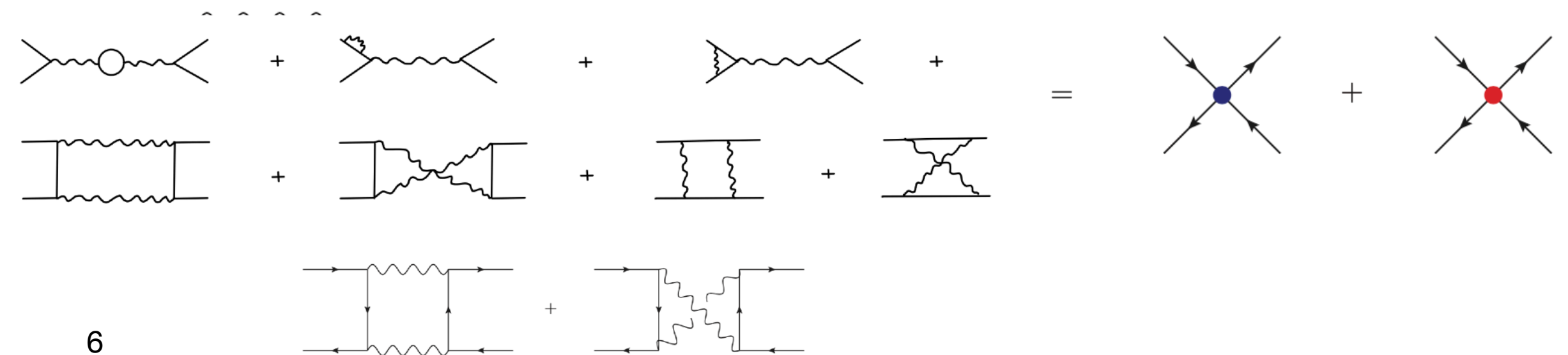
$$\mathcal{L}_{DM} = \bar{X}(i\not{D} - m)X - \frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} \bar{f}_k(i\not{D} - m_f)f_k$$



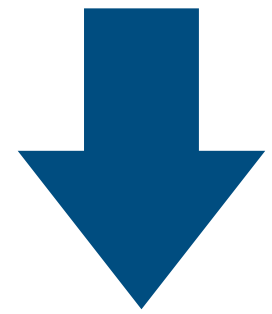
Integrating out hard scale $m \gg mv \sim p \sim \frac{1}{a_B}$



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{NRQED_{DM}} = & \psi^\dagger \left(iD_0 + \frac{\vec{D}^2}{2m} + c_F \frac{\vec{\sigma} g \vec{B}}{2m} + c_D \frac{\vec{\Delta} g \vec{E}}{8m^2} + ic_S \frac{\vec{D} \times g \vec{E} - g \vec{E} \times \vec{D}}{8m^2} \right) \psi \\ & + \chi^\dagger \left(iD_0 - \frac{\vec{D}^2}{2m} - c_F \frac{\vec{\sigma} g \vec{B}}{2m} + c_D \frac{\vec{\Delta} g \vec{E}}{8m^2} + ic_S \frac{\vec{D} g \vec{E} - g \vec{E} \vec{D}}{8m^2} \right) \chi \\ & - \frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{d_s}{m^2}F^{\mu\nu}\vec{D}^2F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{d_s}{m^2}\psi^\dagger\chi\chi^\dagger\psi + \frac{d_v}{m^2}\psi^\dagger\vec{\sigma}\chi\chi^\dagger\vec{\sigma}\psi \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} \bar{f}_k(i\not{D} - m_f)f_k + o(1/m^2) \end{aligned}$$



Pair description in EFT: pNRQED



Integrating out soft scale $mv \gg mv^2 \sim E$

$$\mathcal{L}_{pNRQED_{DM}} = \int d\vec{r} \phi^\dagger(t, r, R) \left(i\partial_0 - H(r, p, P, s_1, s_2) + g\vec{r}\vec{E}(R, t) \right) \phi(t, r, R) + \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu}(R, t) F_{\mu\nu}(R, t) + \mathcal{L}_{light\ fermions}$$

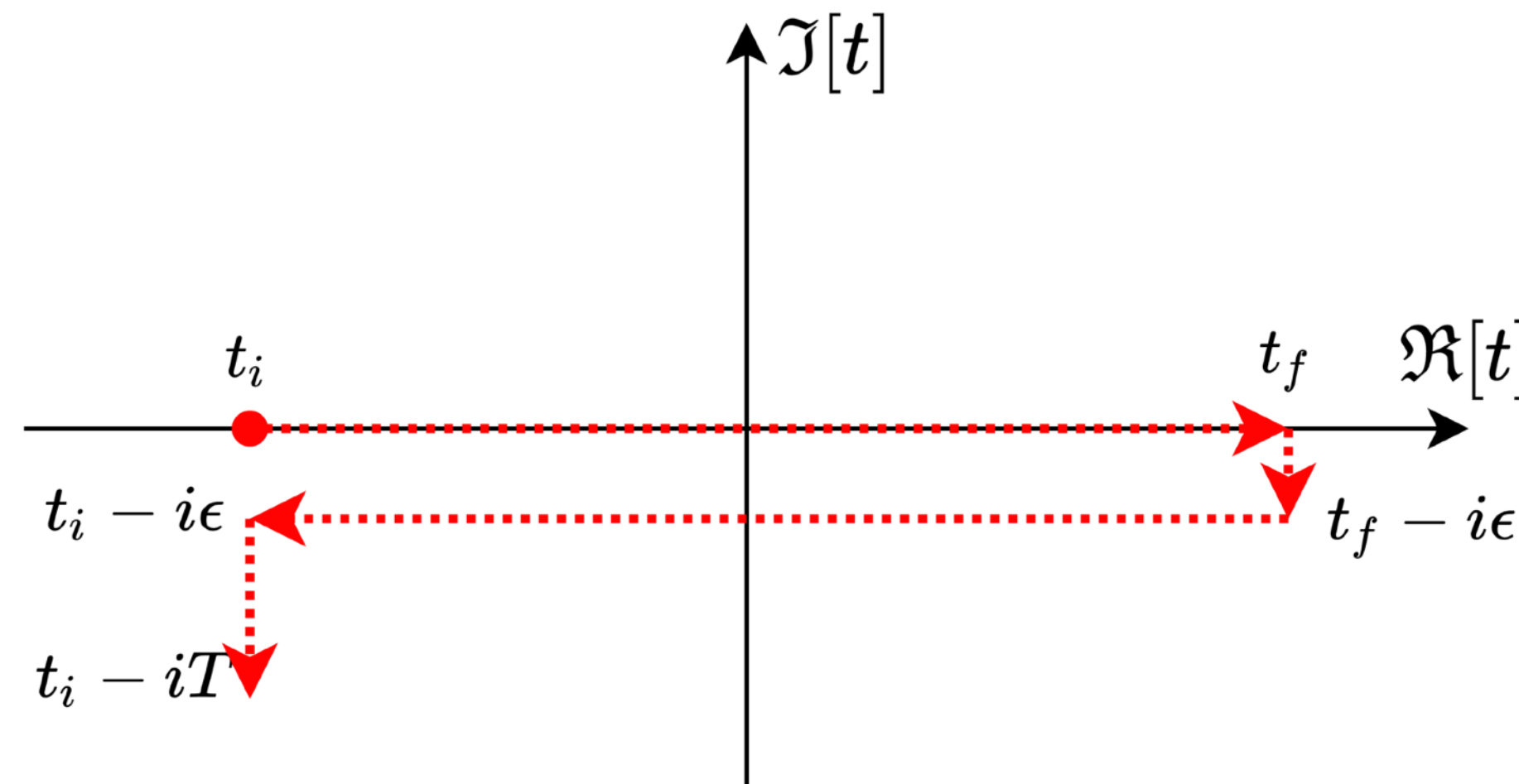
$$H(r, p, P, s_1, s_2) = \frac{p^2}{m} + \frac{P^2}{4m} - \frac{p^4}{4m^3} + \mathcal{O}(1/m^3) + V(r, p, P, s_1, s_2)$$

$$V(r, p, P, s_1, s_2) = V^{(0)} + \frac{V^{(1)}}{m} + \frac{V^{(2)}}{m^2} + \mathcal{O}(1/m^3)$$

Thermal field theory in RTF

Key points

- We use Real-Time formalism (i.e. Keldysh contour, double d.o.f., but “usual” Feynman diagram formalism)
- Matrix structure of propagators
- In propagators, there is a thermal part, which put’s particles on-shell $\sim \delta(p^2 - m^2)$



Bound state formation/dissociation from TFT

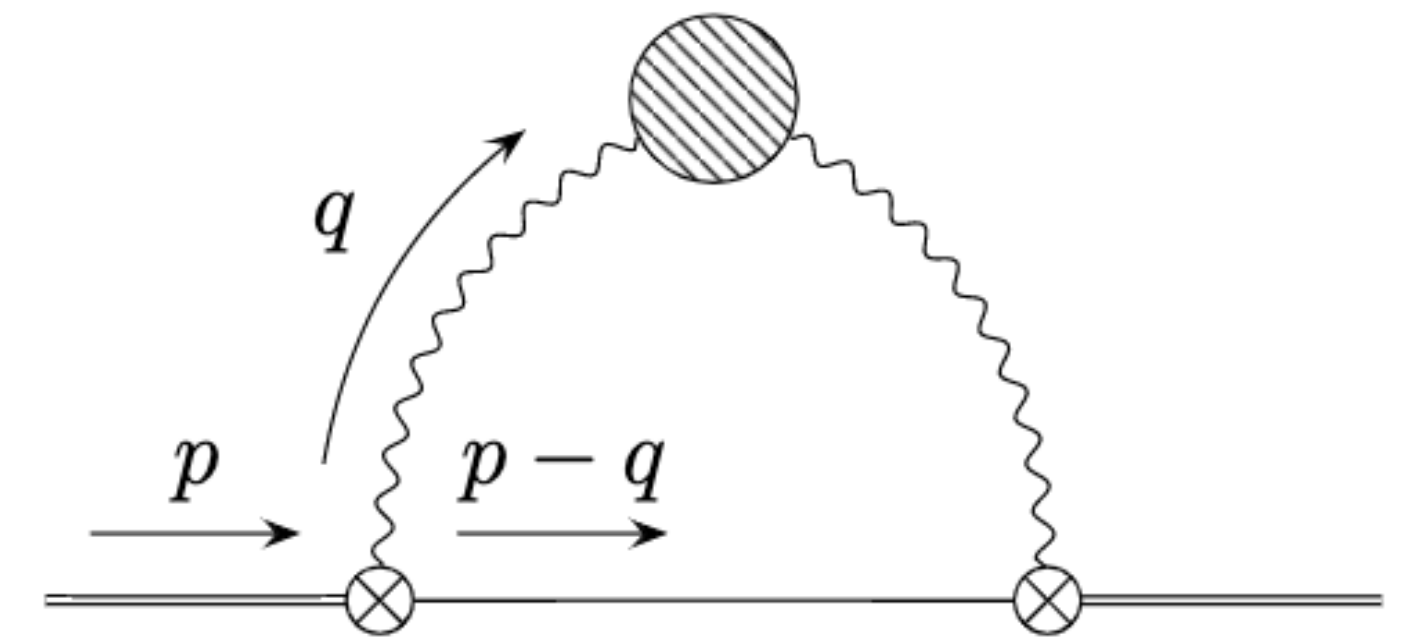
- The bound-state formation cross section, could be inferred as (i.e. optical theorem):

$$\sigma_{BSF} v_{rel} = \langle p, l | \frac{\Sigma_S^>}{i} | p, l \rangle = -2 \langle p, l | \Im[\Sigma_S] | p, l \rangle$$

Pair's self-energy

Self-energy in pNRQED:

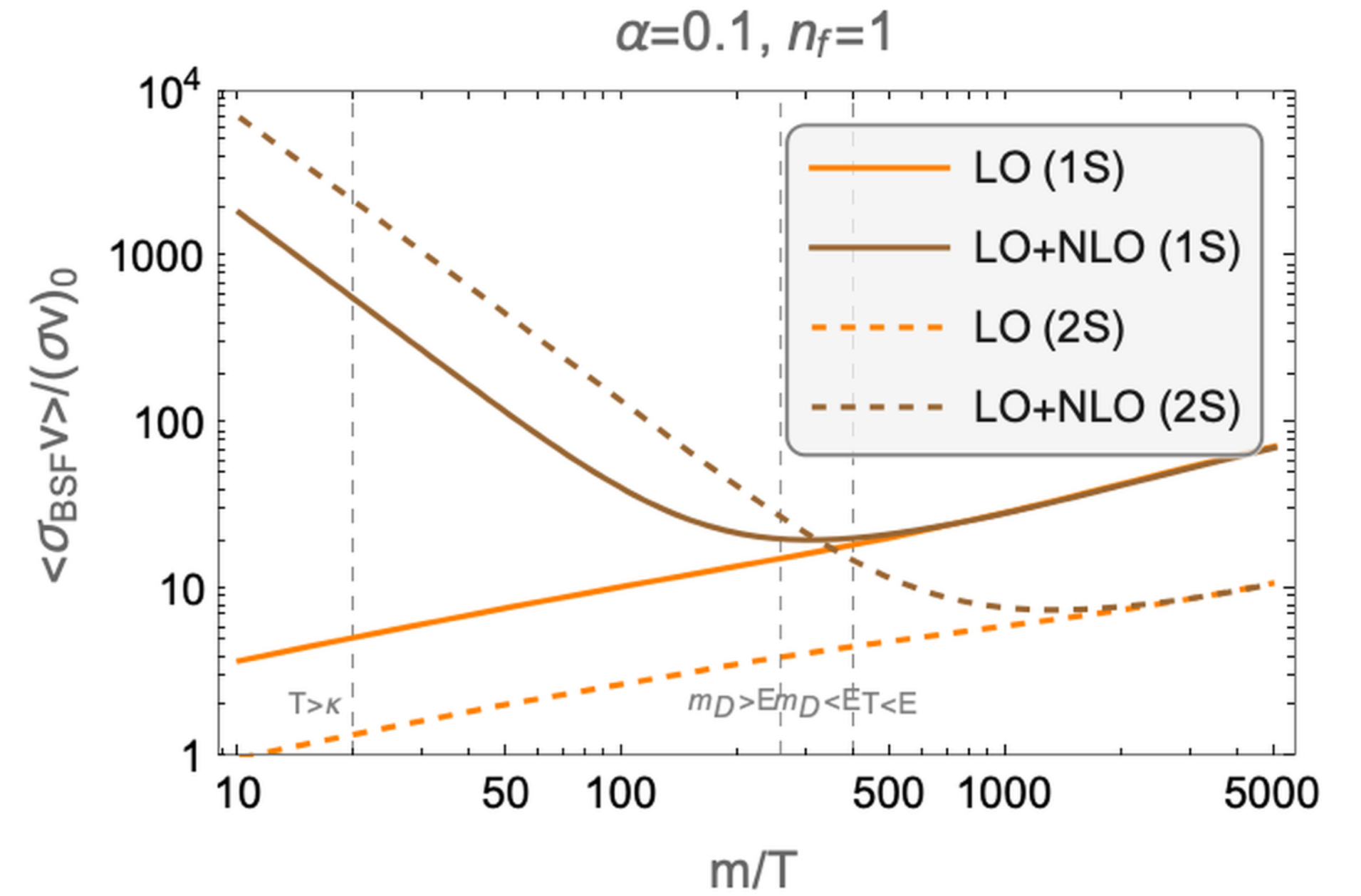
$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{S/B} &= -ig^2 \int_0^\infty dt e^{it(p_0 - h^{(0)})} r^i r^j \langle E^i(t, 0) E^j(0, 0) \rangle = \\ &= -ig^2 \frac{\mu^{4-d}}{d-1} r_i^2 \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{i}{p_0 - q_0 - h^{(0)} + i\epsilon} \langle \vec{E}(q) \vec{E}(0) \rangle \\ &= -ig_d^2 \frac{\mu^{4-d}}{d-1} r_i^2 \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{i}{p_0 - q_0 - h^{(0)} + i\epsilon} [q_0^2 D_{ii}(q) + \vec{q}^2 D_{00}(q)] \end{aligned}$$



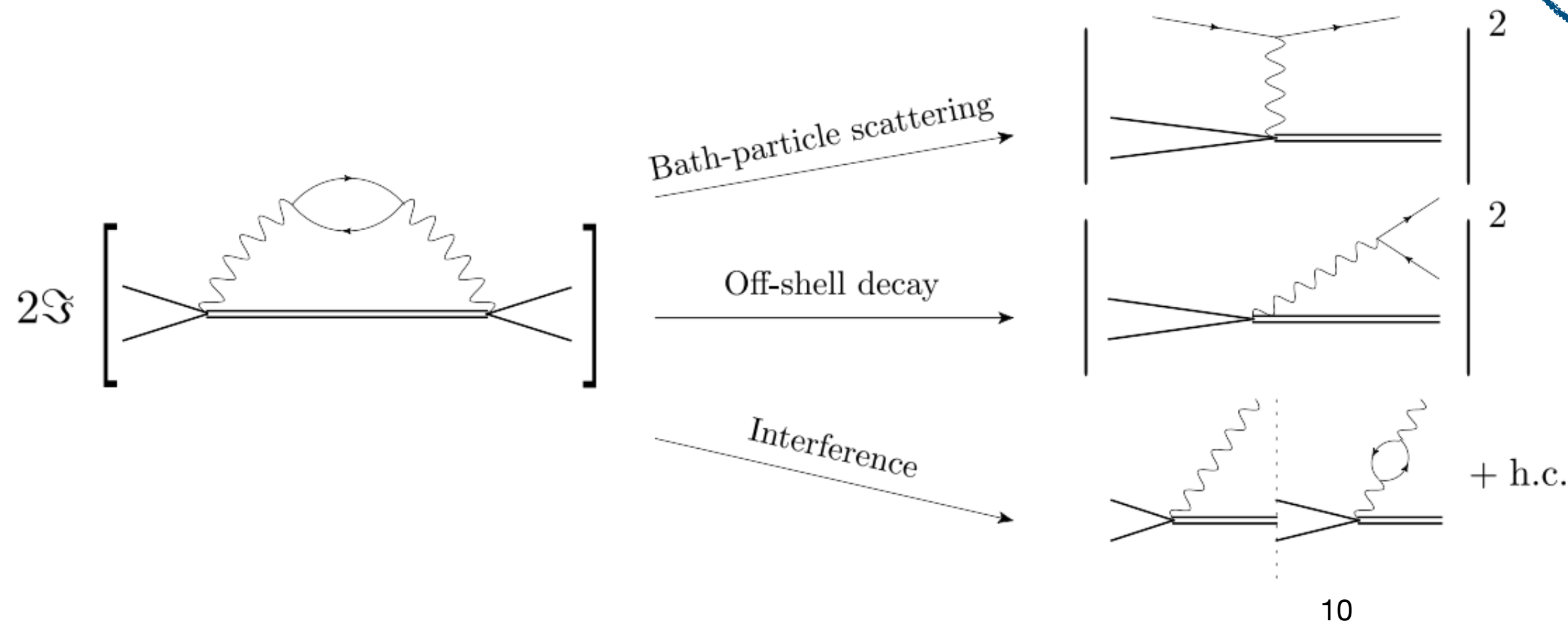
BSF at fixed order*

*in EE propagator

- LO



- NLO (2002.07145 by Binder, Harz et al.)



No hierarchy between scales E and T
 m_D scale - not addressed

$$m \gg mv \gg T \gg m_D \gg E$$

Exploiting the large scale separation

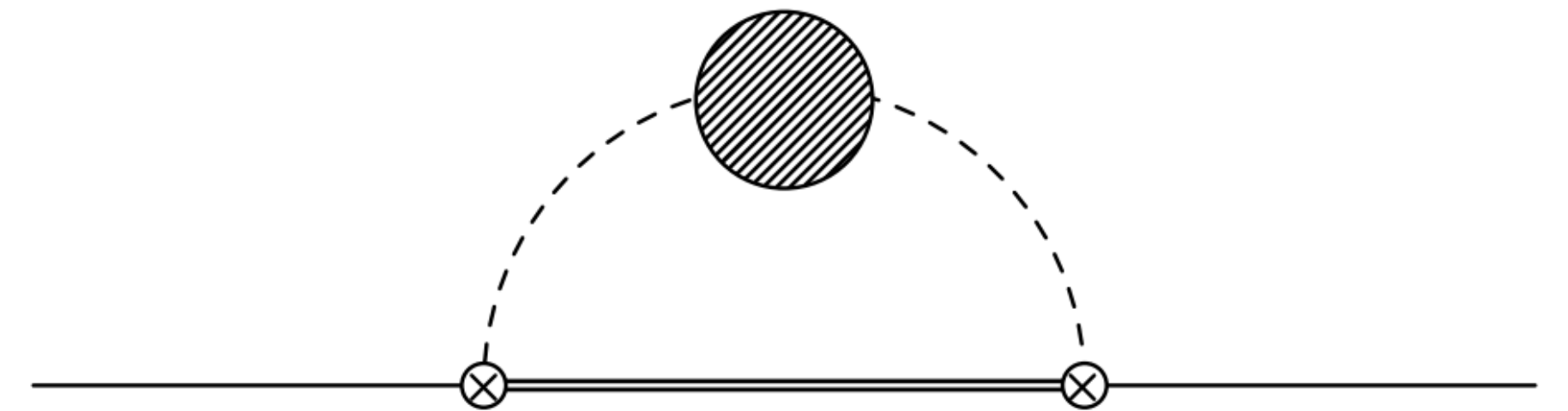
- After integrating out scale M and Mv , we start with $pNRQED_{DM}$ at $T = 0$

$$\mathcal{L}_{pNREFT} = \mathcal{L}_{light} + \int d^3r \phi^\dagger [i\partial_0 - \hat{h}] \phi + \phi^\dagger \vec{r} g \vec{E} \phi$$

- Integrate out scale T

When integrating out each of the scales, one can use hierarchy to expand objects (i.e. in powers of T/E)

The photon sector is modified to HTL one.



Imaginary correction to self-energy comes from the imaginary part (symmetric) of photon self-energy

$$\Im[\Sigma^T] = \frac{1}{6} \alpha r_i^2 T m_D^2 \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \gamma_E - \ln\left(\frac{T}{\pi\mu}\right) + \frac{2}{3} - 4\ln 2 - 2 \frac{\zeta'(2)}{\zeta(2)} \right)$$

IR divergent, will cancel-out with UV divergence from lower scale

EFT ($M \gg M\nu \gg T \gg m_D \gg E$)

- Integrate out scale m_D in similar way (where the photon propagator is the HTL resummed one)

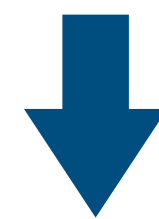
$$\Im[\Sigma^{m_D}] = -\frac{1}{6}\alpha r_i^2 T m_D^2 \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln\left(\frac{\pi\mu^2}{m_D^2}\right) + \frac{5}{3} \right)$$

- Contribution from scale E is the LO BSF via photon emission

$$\Im[\Sigma^E] = \frac{1}{6}\alpha r_i^2 T m_D^2 \left(4 \frac{\Delta E^3}{T m_D^2} \left(\frac{T}{\Delta E} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right)$$

- All-together, we have:

$$\Im[\Sigma] = \Im[\Sigma^T] + \Im[\Sigma^{m_D}] + \Im[\Sigma^E] = \frac{1}{6}\alpha r_i^2 T m_D^2 \left(2\gamma_E + \ln\left(\frac{m_D^2}{T^2}\right) - 1 - 4\ln 2 - 2\frac{\zeta'(2)}{\zeta(2)} + 4\frac{\Delta E^3}{T m_D^2} \left(\frac{T}{\Delta E} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right)$$

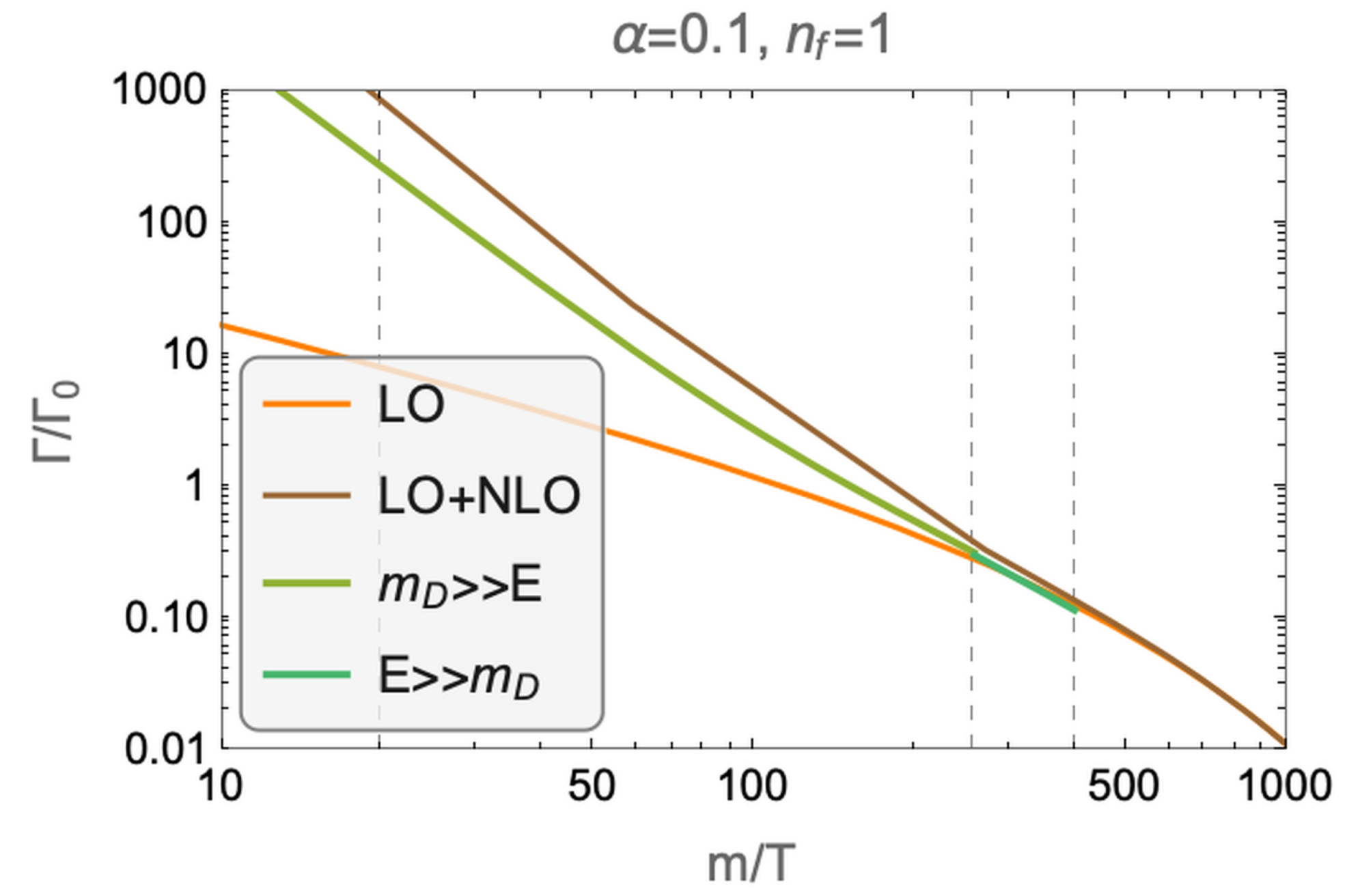
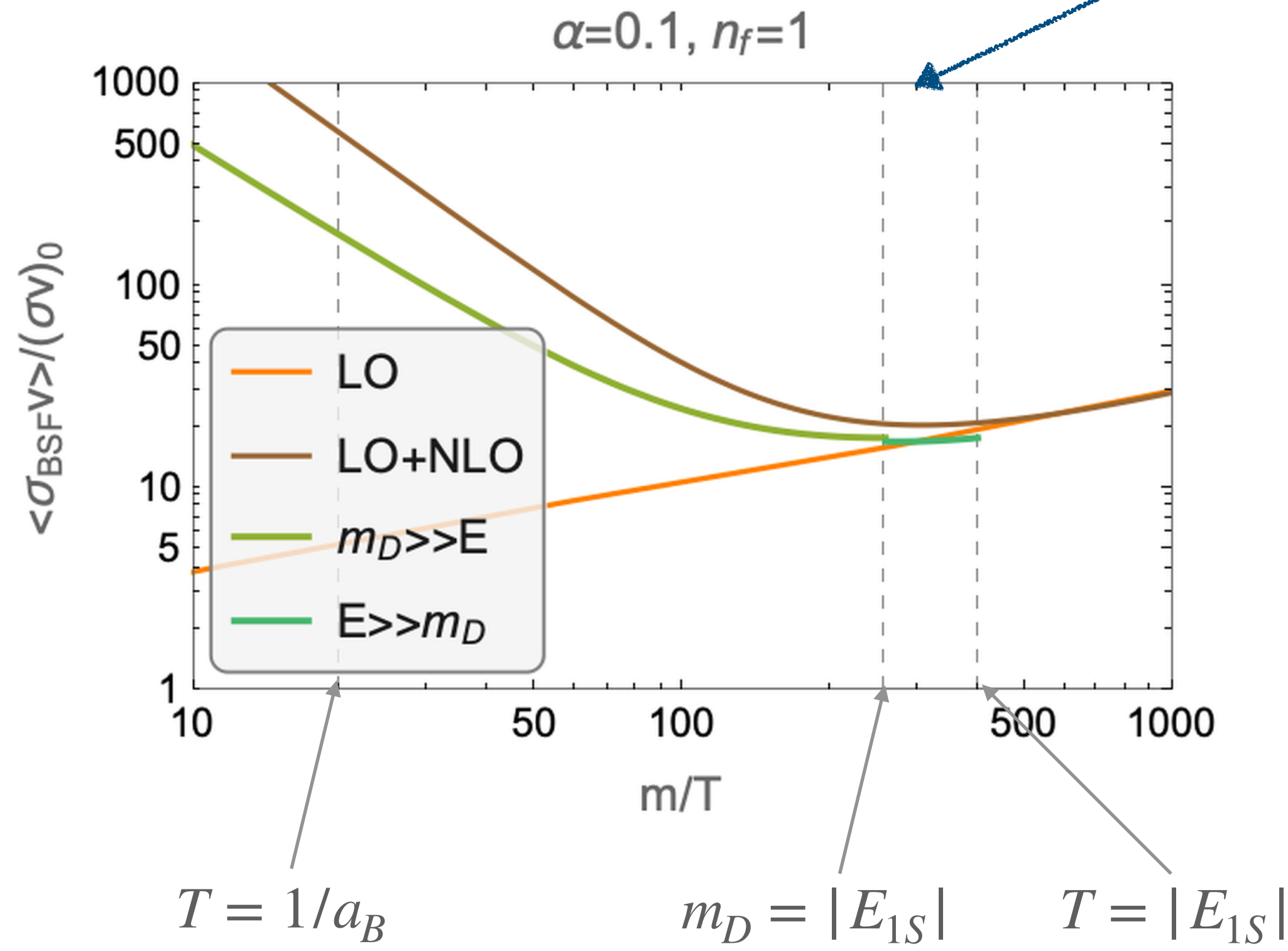


$$(\sigma_{BSF} v_{rel})_{T \gg m_D \gg E}$$

which is NOT divergent anymore

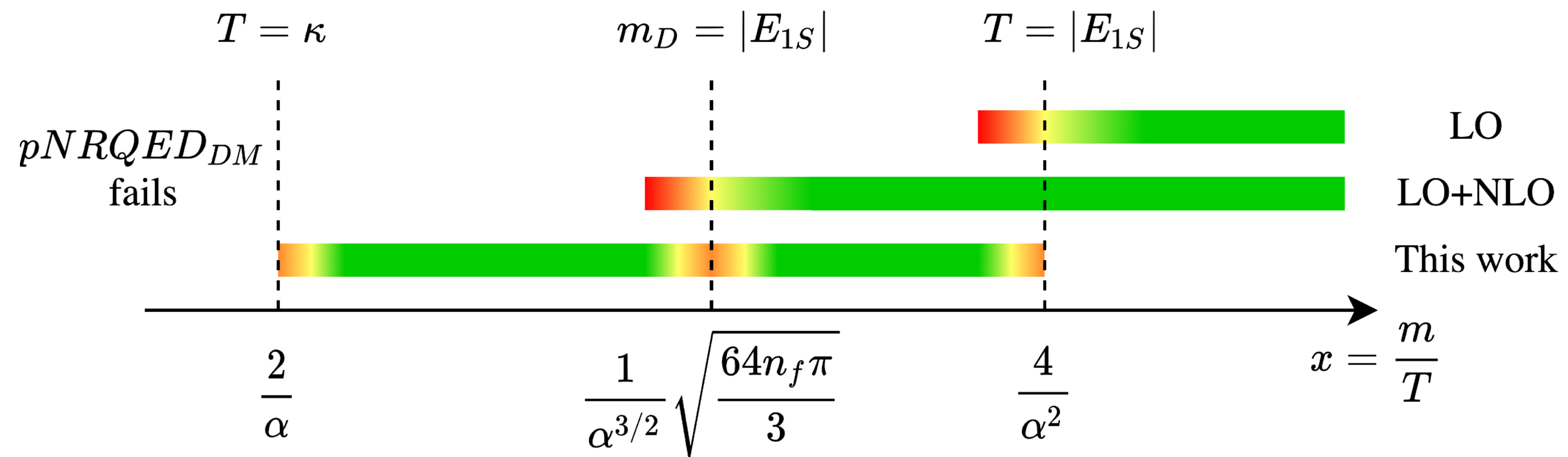
Bound State Formation: Results

In the same manner $E \gg m_D$ is treated



Higher n states are affected "longer" by effects of resummation

Bound State Formation: regions of validity



Dark Matter Density Evolution

Boltzmann equations - as the classic simplification of OQF

$$\frac{dn_f}{dt} + 3Hn_f = - \langle \sigma_{ann} v_{rel} \rangle (n_f^2 - n_{f,eq}^2) - \sum_B \left(\langle \sigma_{BSF}^B v_{rel} \rangle n_f^2 - \Gamma_B^{ion} n_B \right)$$

Free DM particles

Bound state DM

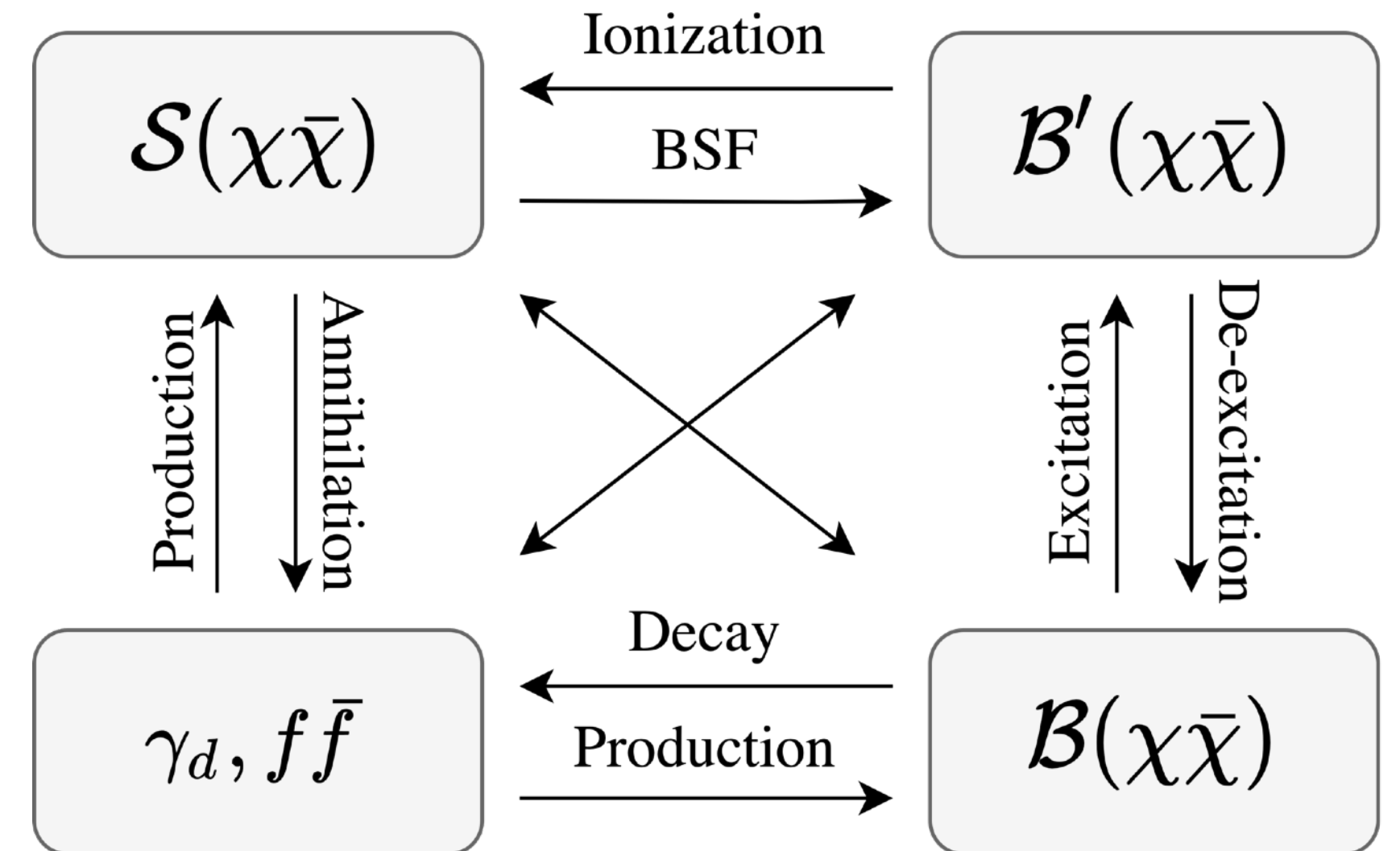
$$\frac{dn_B}{dt} + 3Hn_B = \langle \sigma_{BSF}^B v_{rel} \rangle n_f^2 - \Gamma_B^{ion} n_B - \Gamma_B^{dec} (n_B - n_{B,eq}) - \sum_{B \neq B'} (\Gamma_{B \rightarrow B'}^{exc} n_B - \Gamma_{B' \rightarrow B}^{exc} n_{B'})$$



Assumptions (1503.07142): $\Gamma_{dec} \gg H$
 (Bound states - close to equilibrium)
 + detailed balance equation
 + neglecting (de)excitations

$$\frac{dn_f}{dt} + 3Hn_f = - \left(\langle \sigma_{ann} v_{rel} \rangle + \sum_B \langle \sigma_{BSF}^B v_{rel} \rangle \frac{\Gamma_B^{dec}}{\Gamma_B^{dec} + \Gamma_B^{ion}} \right) (n_f^2 - n_{f,eq}^2)$$

Effective cross-section



Decay and Annihilation

Decay and Annihilation: Directly from $pNRQED_{DM}$ Lagrangian (imaginary part)

$$\delta\mathcal{L}_{pNRQED_{DM}}^{annih} = \frac{i}{m^2} \int d\vec{r} \phi^\dagger \delta(\vec{r}) (2\Im[d_s] - \vec{S}^2 (2\Im[d_s] - 2\Im[d_v])) \phi$$

2 spin states:
para-, orthodarkonium



$$\langle \sigma_{ann} v_{rel} \rangle = \frac{\text{Im}(d_s) + 3\text{Im}(d_v)}{m^2} S(\alpha/v_{rel}) = /LO/ = \frac{\alpha^2 \pi (1 + n_f)}{m^2} \frac{2\pi\alpha/v_{rel}}{1 - e^{2\pi\alpha/v_{rel}}}$$

Sommerfeld enhancement factor

$$\Gamma_{1S,pd}^{dec} = \frac{4\Im[d_s]}{m^2} |\psi_{100}(0)|^2 = \frac{m\alpha^5}{2} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^6)$$

$$\Gamma_{1S,od}^{dec} = \frac{4\Im[d_v]}{m^2} |\psi_{100}(0)|^2 = \frac{n_f m\alpha^5}{3 \cdot 2} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^6)$$

New contribution: decay into light d.o.f.

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Effective cross-section: asymptotic regimes

$$\langle \sigma_{eff} v_{rel} \rangle = \langle \sigma_{ann} v_{rel} \rangle + \sum_B \langle \sigma_{BSF}^B v_{rel} \rangle \frac{\Gamma_B^{dec}}{\Gamma_B^{dec} + \Gamma_B^{ion}}$$

- Ionisation equilibrium $T \gg E, \Gamma_{ion} \gg \Gamma_{dec}$

$$\langle \sigma_{eff} v_{rel} \rangle \approx \langle \sigma_{ann} v_{rel} \rangle + \sum_B \Gamma_B^{dec} \frac{n_B^{eq}}{(n_f^{eq})^2}$$

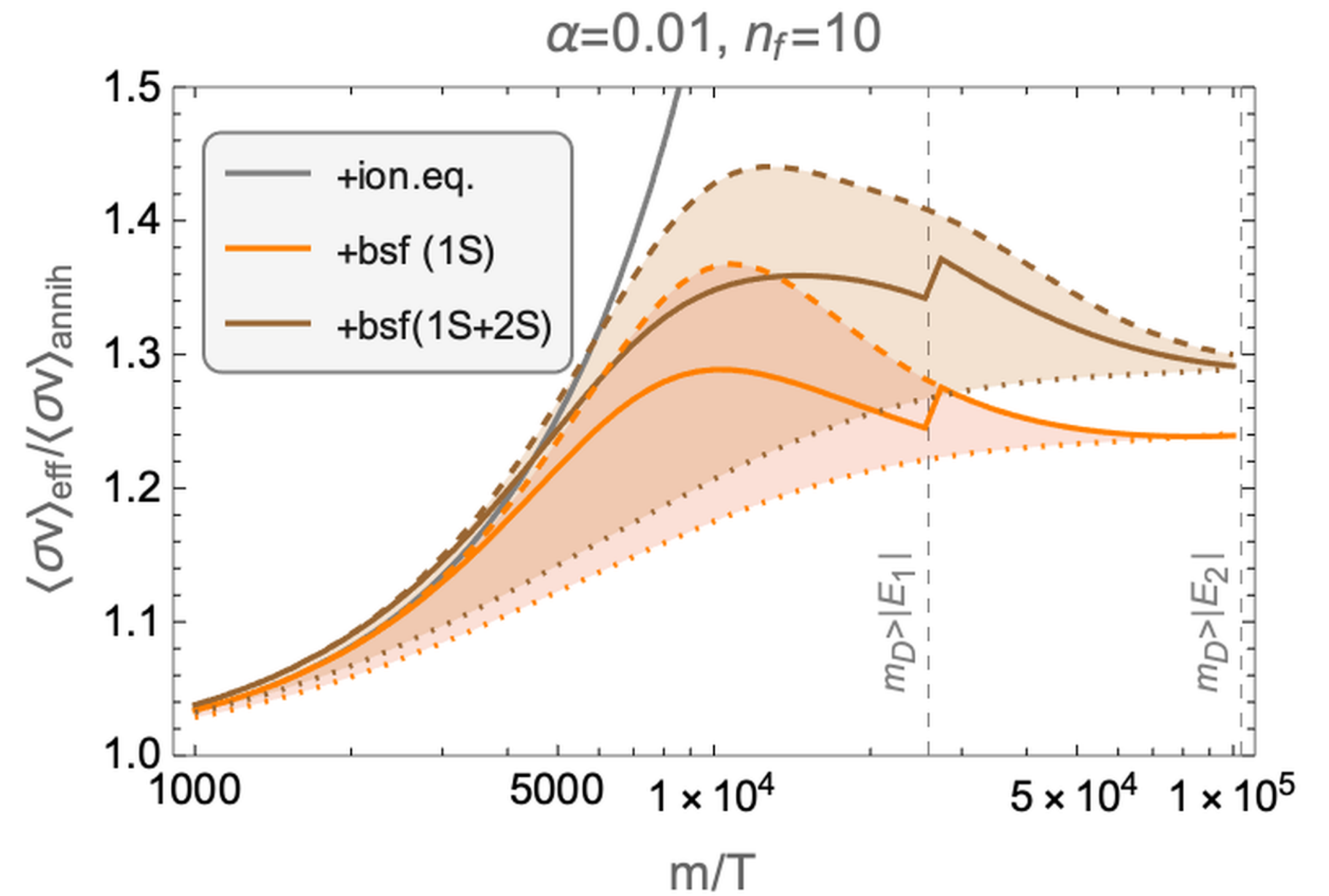
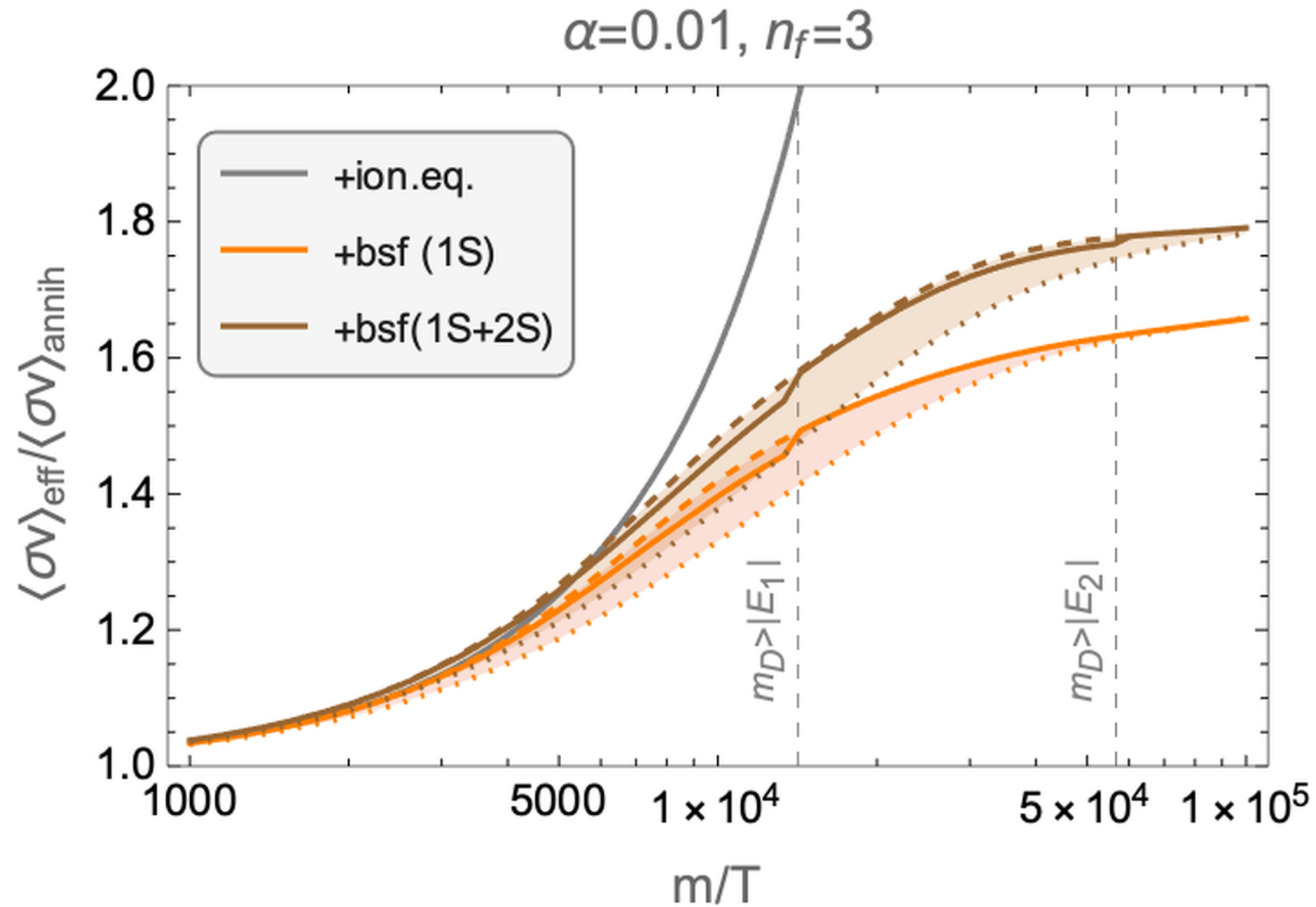
- $T < E, \Gamma_{dec} \gg \Gamma_{ion}$

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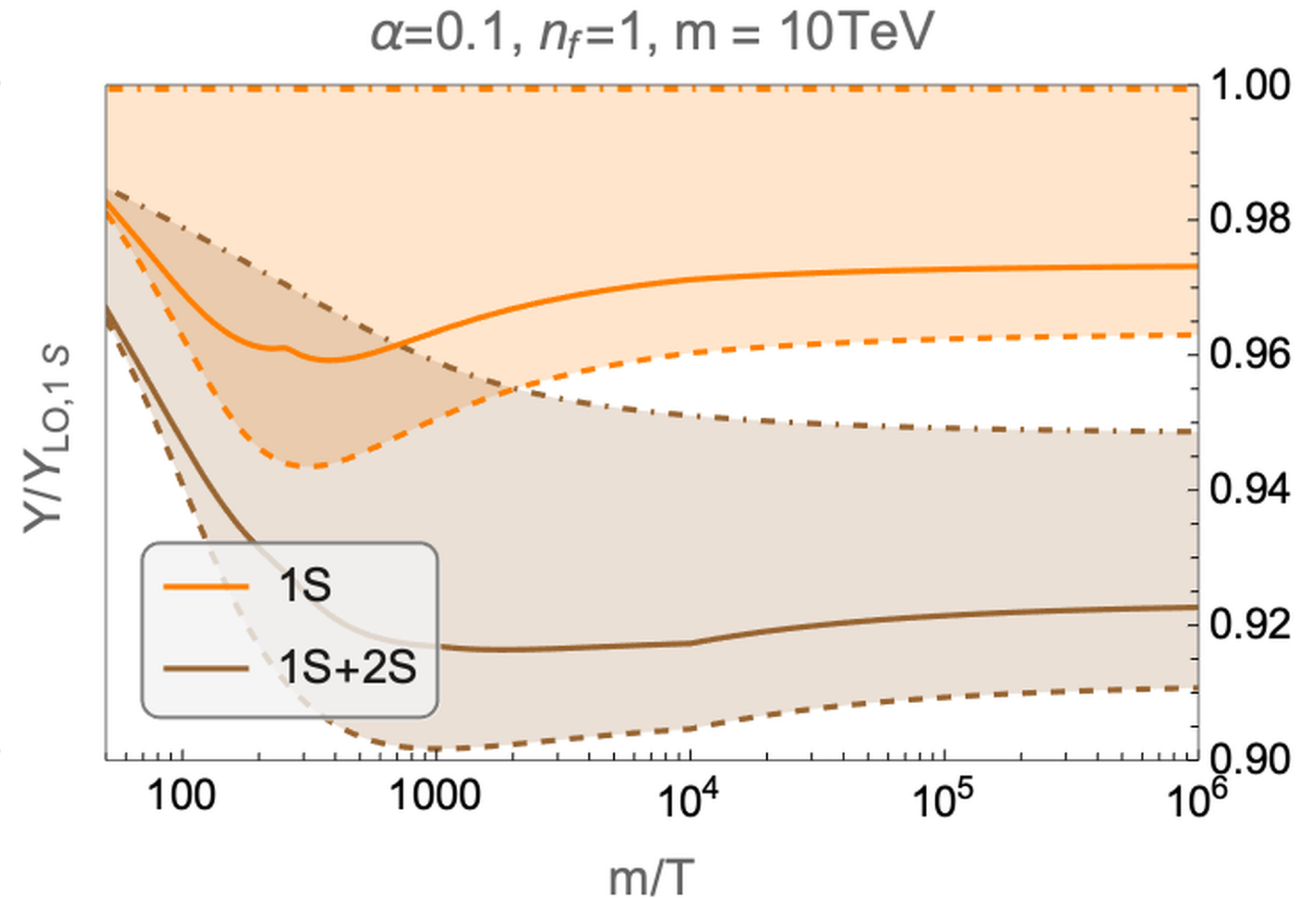
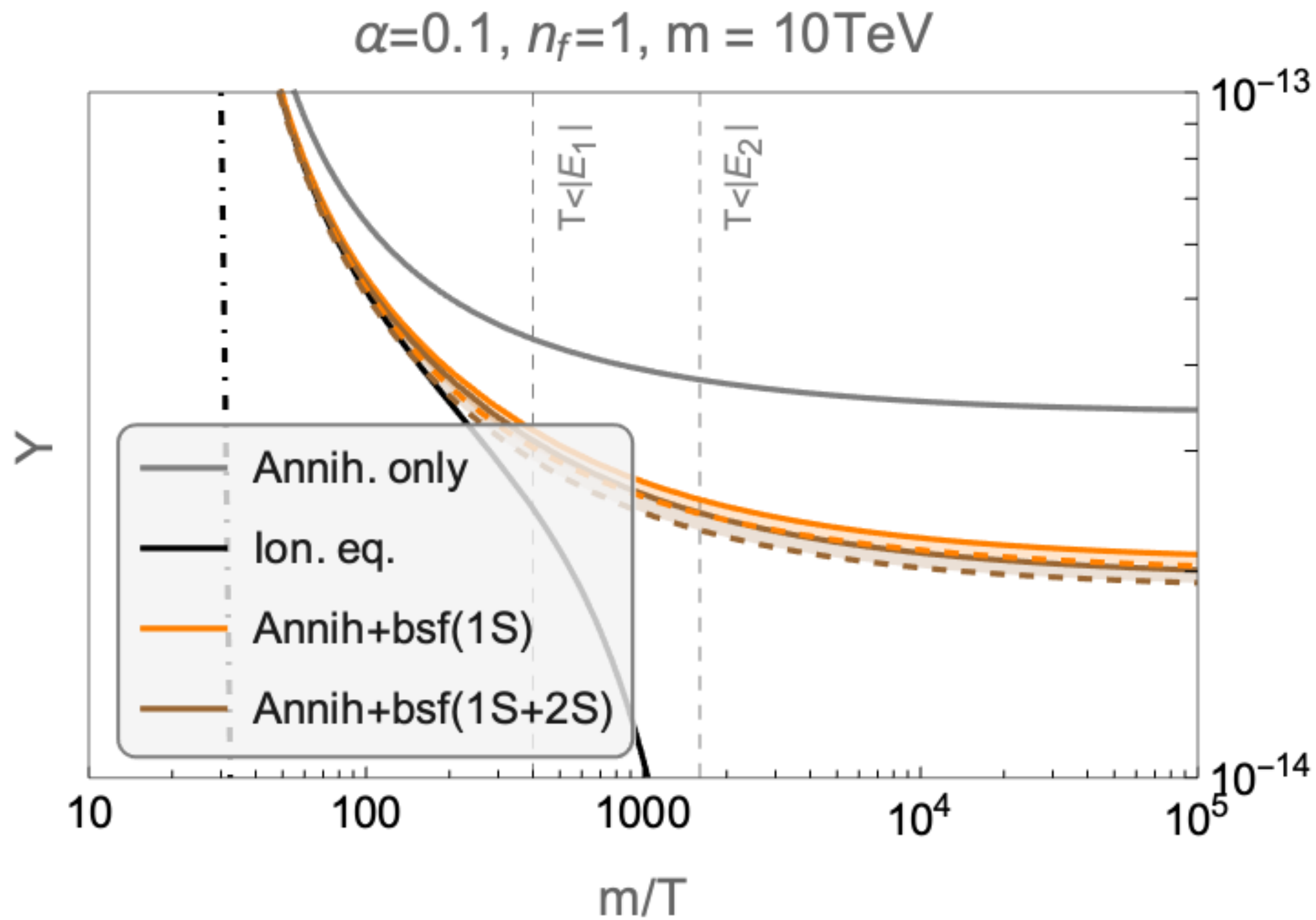
Dark Matter Density Evolution

Effective cross-section

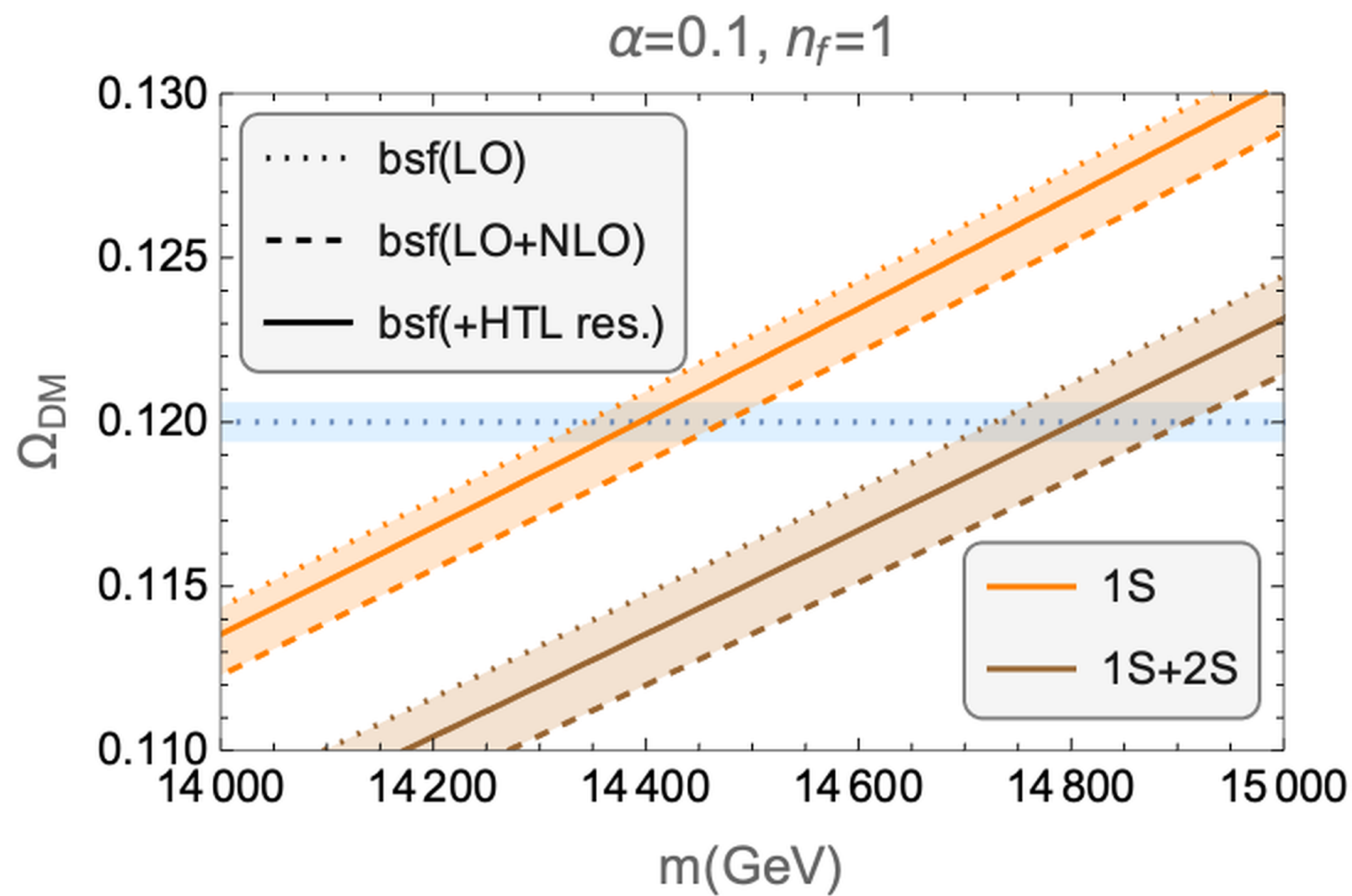
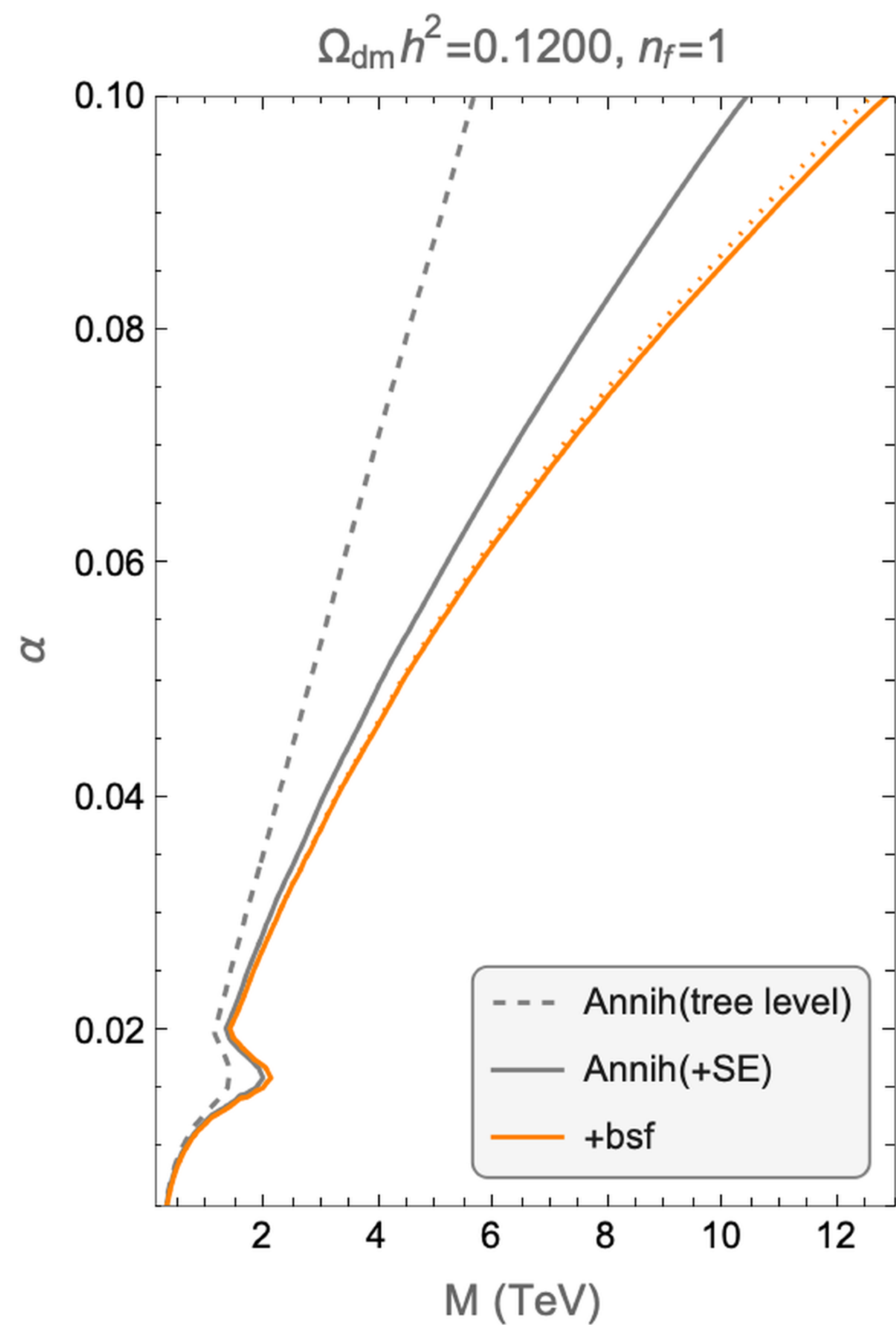
$$\langle \sigma_{\text{eff}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle = \langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle + \sum_B \langle \sigma_{\text{BSF}}^B v_{\text{rel}} \rangle \frac{\Gamma_B^{\text{dec}}}{\Gamma_B^{\text{dec}} + \Gamma_B^{\text{ion}}}$$



Results: yield



Results: parameters space(s)



Conclusions and Future Work

- The presence of Debye mass scale affects the evolutions of the dark matter in the Early Universe.
- As for NLO contribution, these corrections are more relevant for stronger coupling and larger number of light d.o.f.
- The effects are of the same order as the NLO correction.

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- Study the case of $m_D \sim E$ in more detail.
 - Explore $T \approx m_D$ (exactly where we expect the effect to be the strongest).
 - Include higher n states.

Thank you for your attention