

Novel directions in the ALP EFT

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$$(a_1 + \dots + a_n) G \tilde{G} + \cancel{V_{\text{eff}}}$$

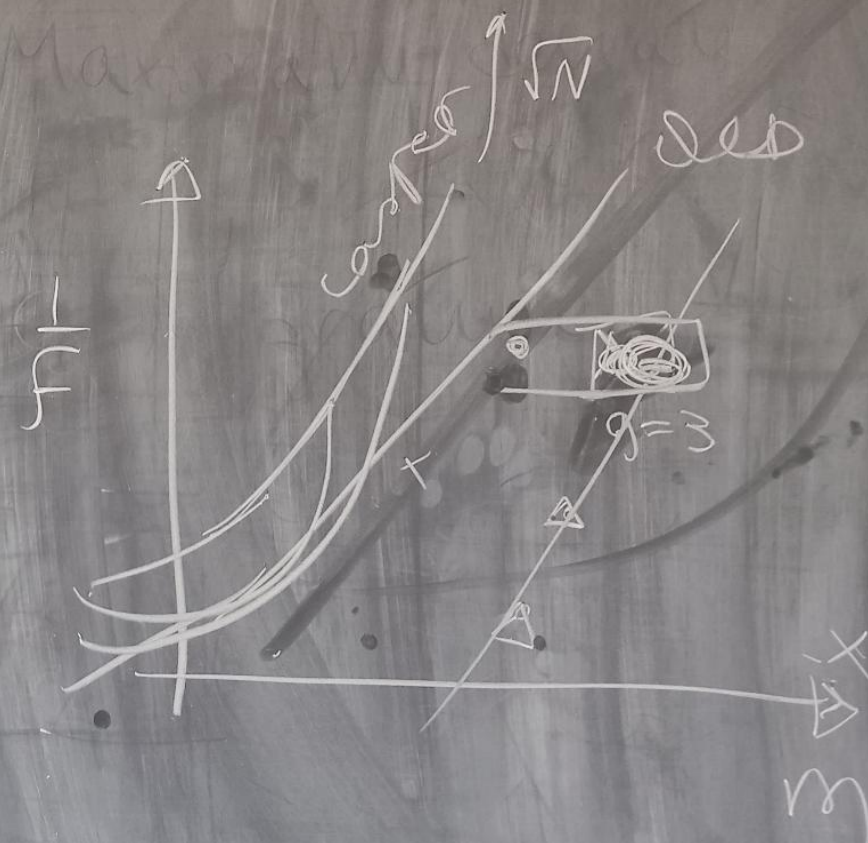
$$a_i \rightarrow$$

$$\beta_i m_n^2 f_n^2$$

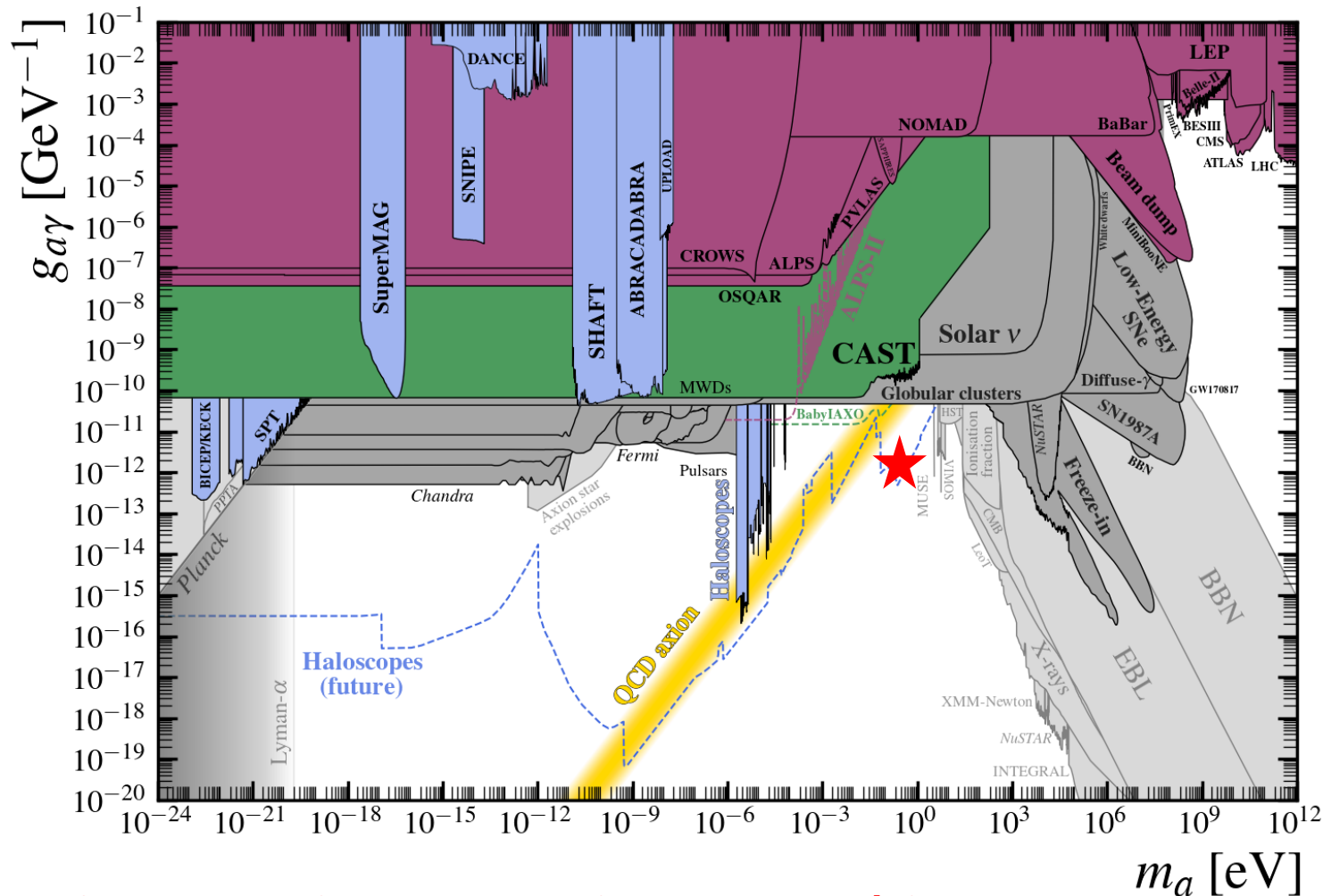
$$m_i^2 = \beta_i m_n^2 + M_{\text{P}}^2$$

$\sum \beta_i = 1$

$30\% m_n^2$



Motivation



Strong CP problem? Dark matter? Baryogenesis?
GUT? Extra dimensions? Composite theory?

Gavela, Quílez, MR, 2305.15465

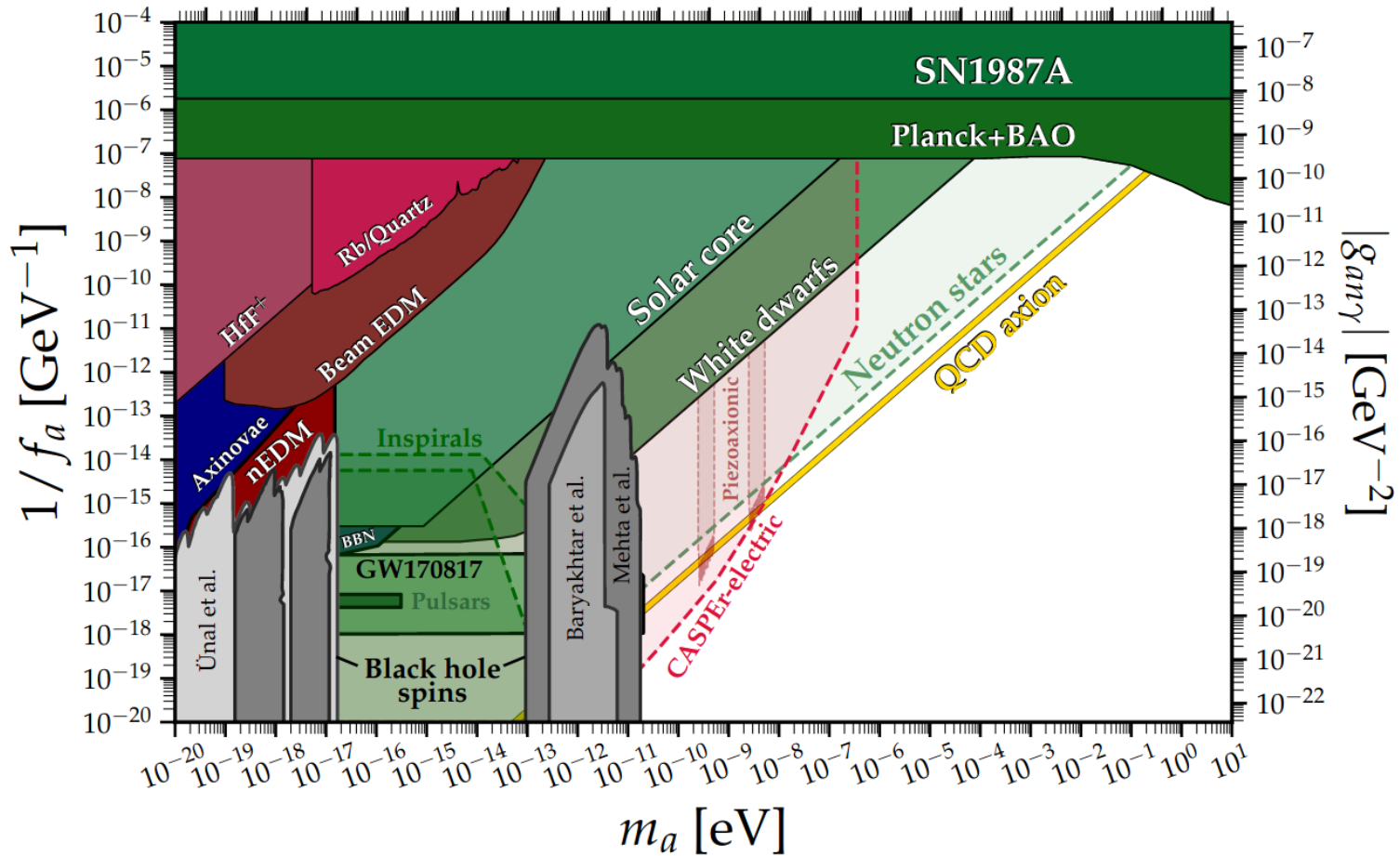
Revisiting the axion solution to the strong CP problem:

I. Can scalar mixing impact our predictions?

Assuming the SM gauge group setting

The QCD axion: minimal way

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \left(\frac{\hat{a}}{f_a} G\tilde{G} - \bar{\theta} \right) G\tilde{G} \rightarrow m_a^2 f_a^2 = \chi_{\text{QCD}} \simeq m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2 \frac{m_u m_d}{(m_u + m_d)^2}$$



The QCD axion: non-minimal way

$$m_a^2 f_a^2 = \chi_{\text{QCD}} \quad \text{[interaction basis = mass basis]}$$

up to mixing with QCD resonances

But the axion may not be the only singlet scalar in Nature.

- Motivation from fundamental setups: e.g. string axiverse, extra dimensions
Dienes, Dudas, Gherghetta 99
Arvanitakia, Dimopoulos, Dubovskyc, Kalopere, Russell 09
- Axion-ALP mixing opens new regions of parameter space for dark matter Cyncynates, Giurgica-Tiron, Simon, Thompson 21, ...

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \left(\frac{\hat{a}_{G\tilde{G}}}{F} - \bar{\theta} \right) G\tilde{G} - V'(\hat{a}_{G\tilde{G}}, \dots, \hat{a}_N)$$
$$\Rightarrow m_i^2 f_i^2 = g_i \chi_{\text{QCD}}$$

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Applying Schur's formula.

$$\det \mathbf{M}_1^2 \left(b_{11} - \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{F^2} - \mathbf{X}^\dagger \mathbf{M}_1^{-2} \mathbf{X} \right) = 0$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^N \beta_i = 1, \quad \beta_i \equiv \frac{1}{g_i}$$

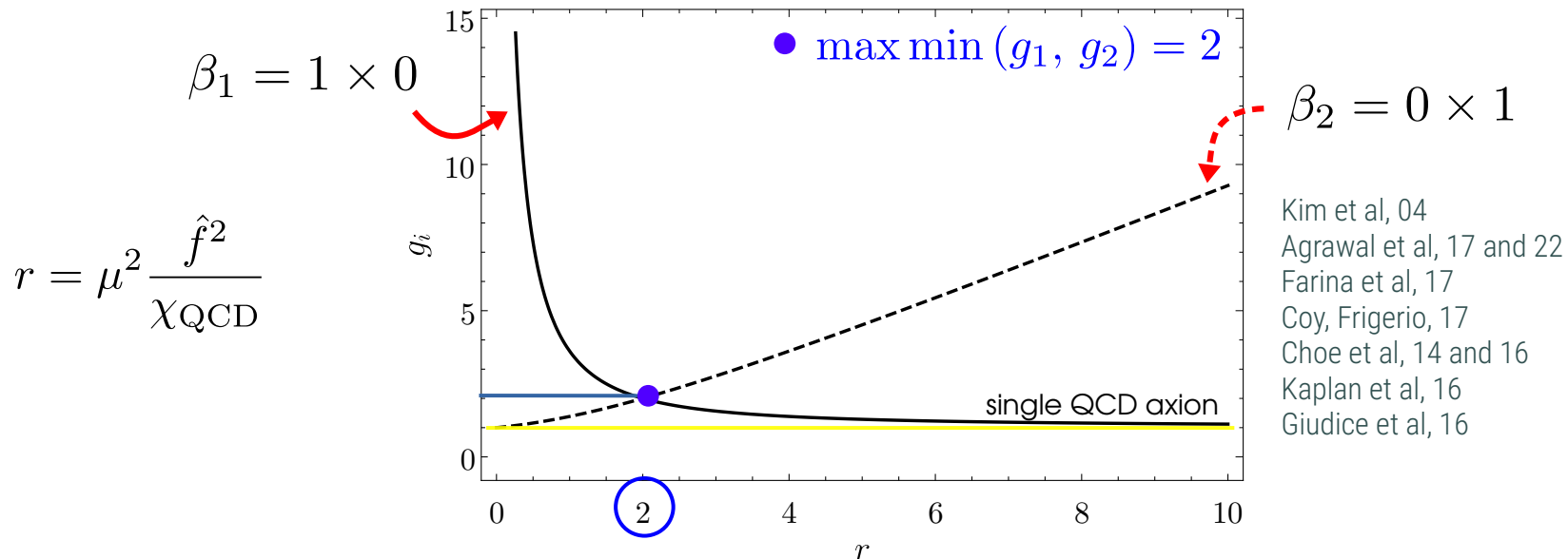
axionness is shared!

The QCD axion sum rule

$$\beta_i = \frac{\langle \hat{a}_{\text{PQ}} | a_i \rangle \langle a_i | \hat{a}_{G\tilde{G}} \rangle}{\langle \hat{a}_{\text{PQ}} | \hat{a}_{G\tilde{G}} \rangle}$$

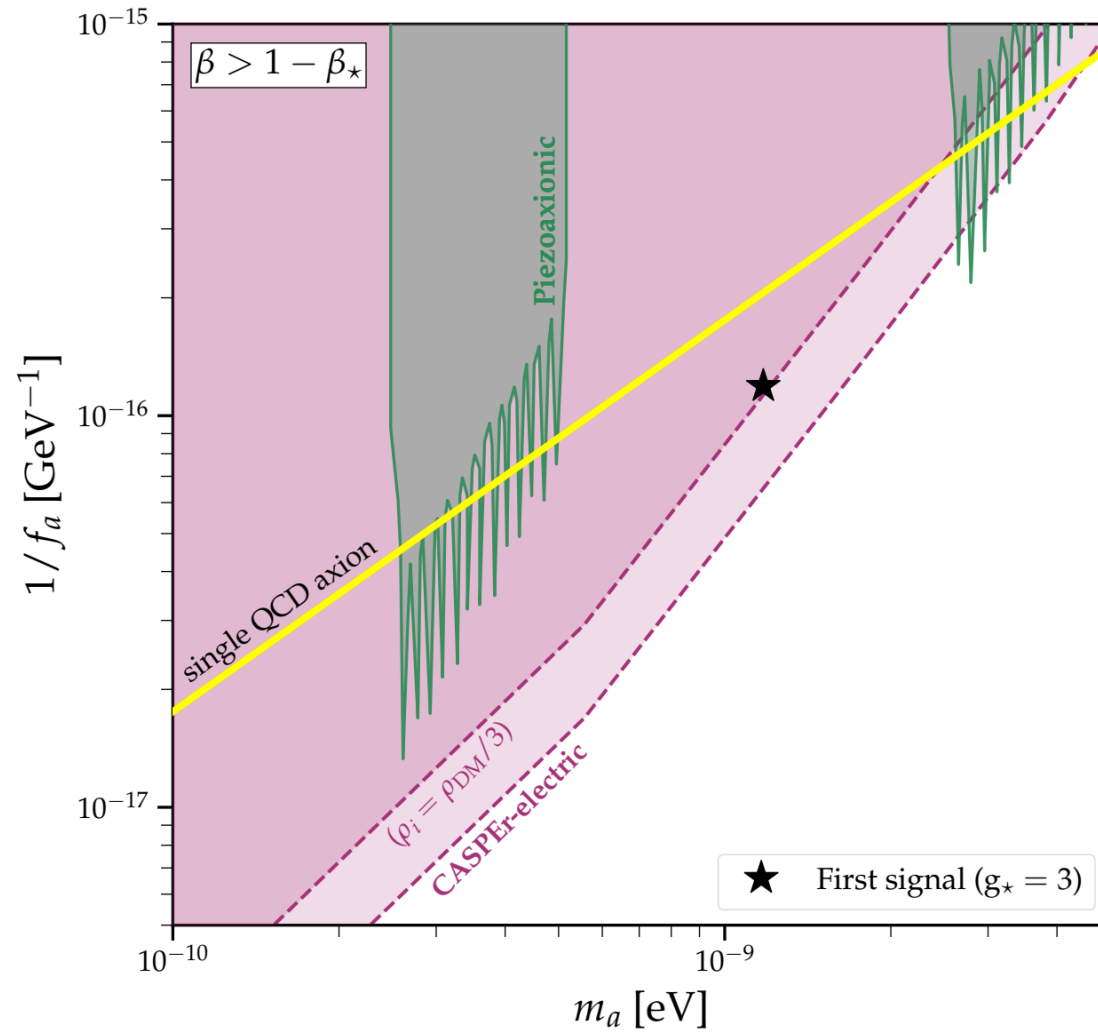
Toy example:

$$\mathcal{L}_{N=2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \left(\frac{\hat{a}_1}{\hat{f}_1} + \frac{\hat{a}_2}{\hat{f}_2} + \bar{\theta} \right) G\tilde{G} - \mu^2 \hat{a}_2^2 \implies \hat{a}_{GG} = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{a}_1 + \hat{a}_2) \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{a}_{\text{PQ}} = \hat{a}_1$$

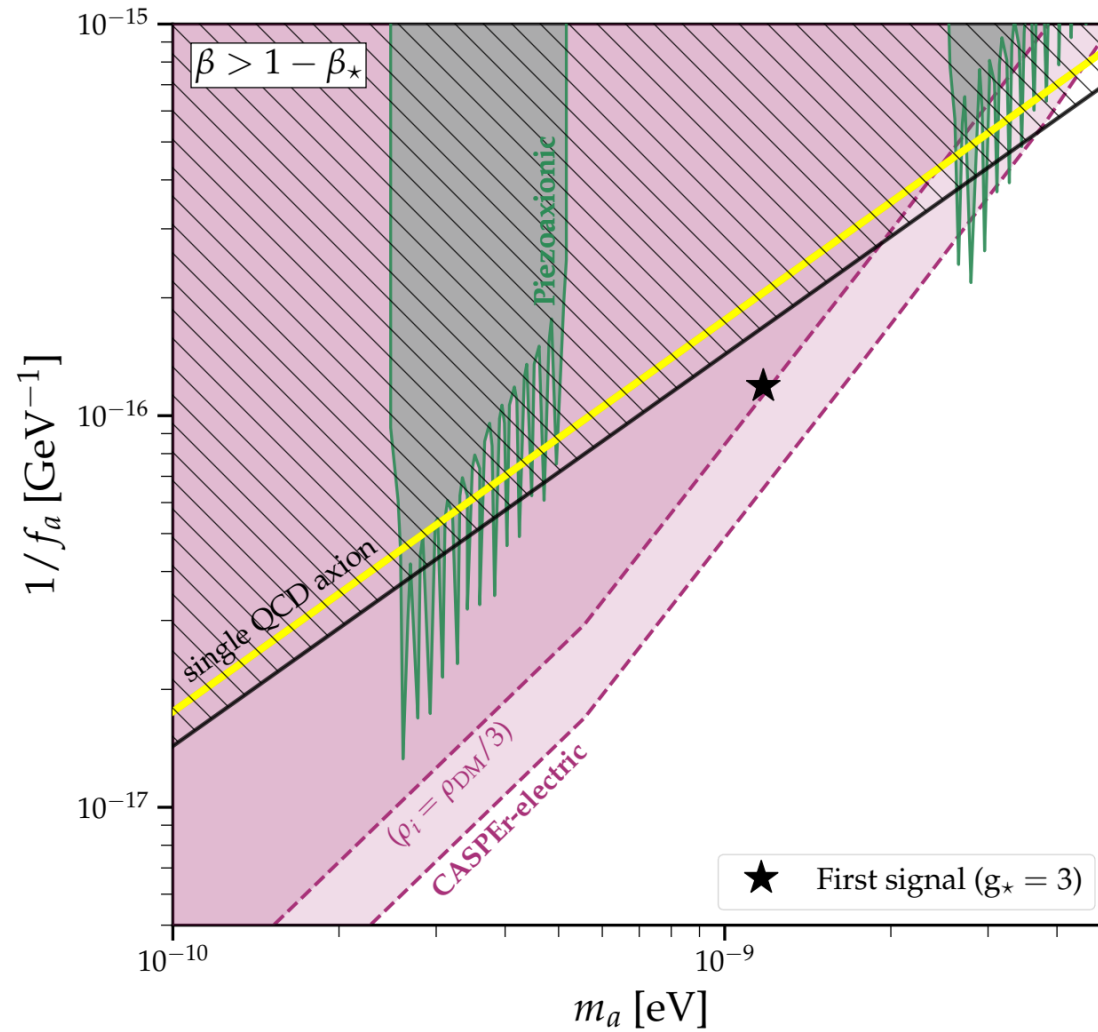


Large deviations require new scales close to the QCD generated mass

Experimental consequences

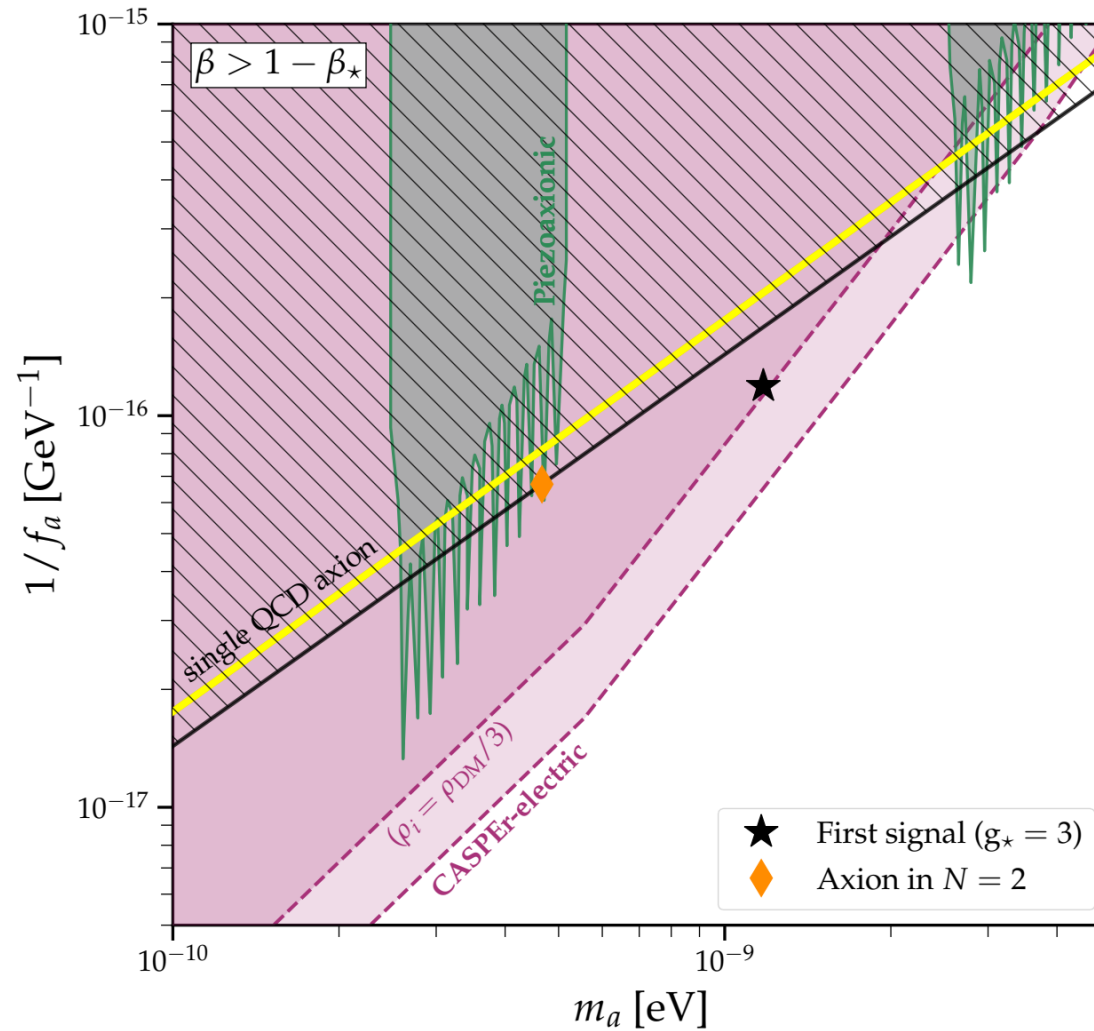


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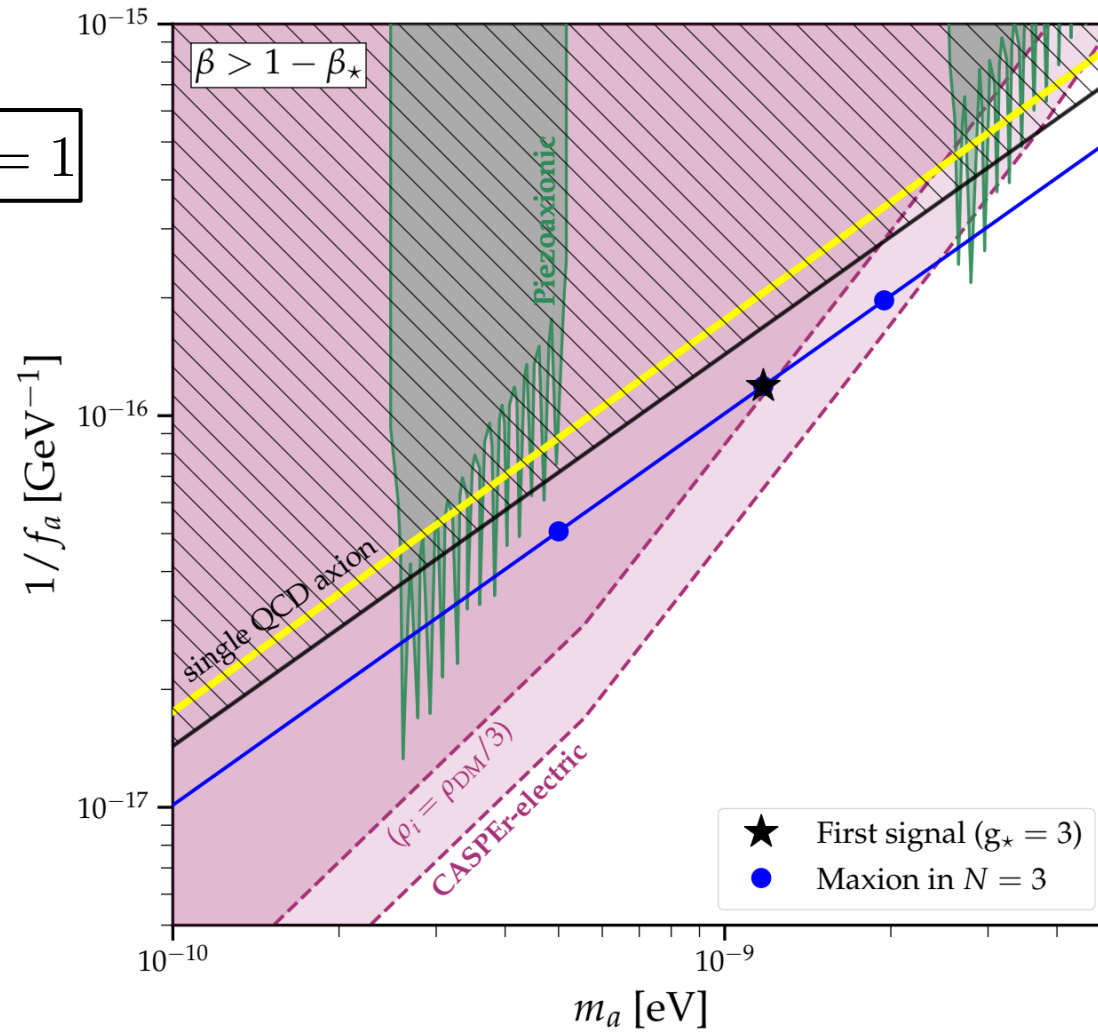
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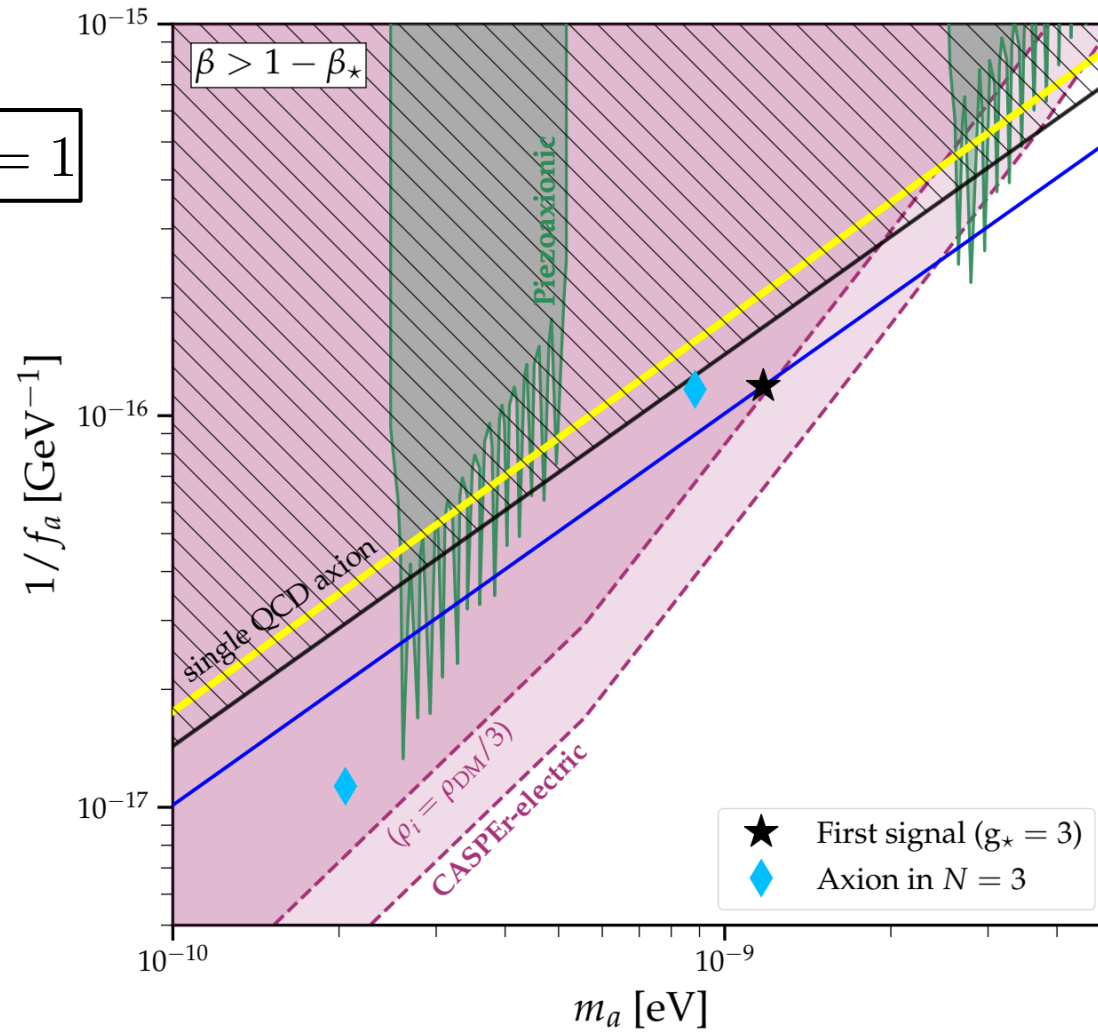
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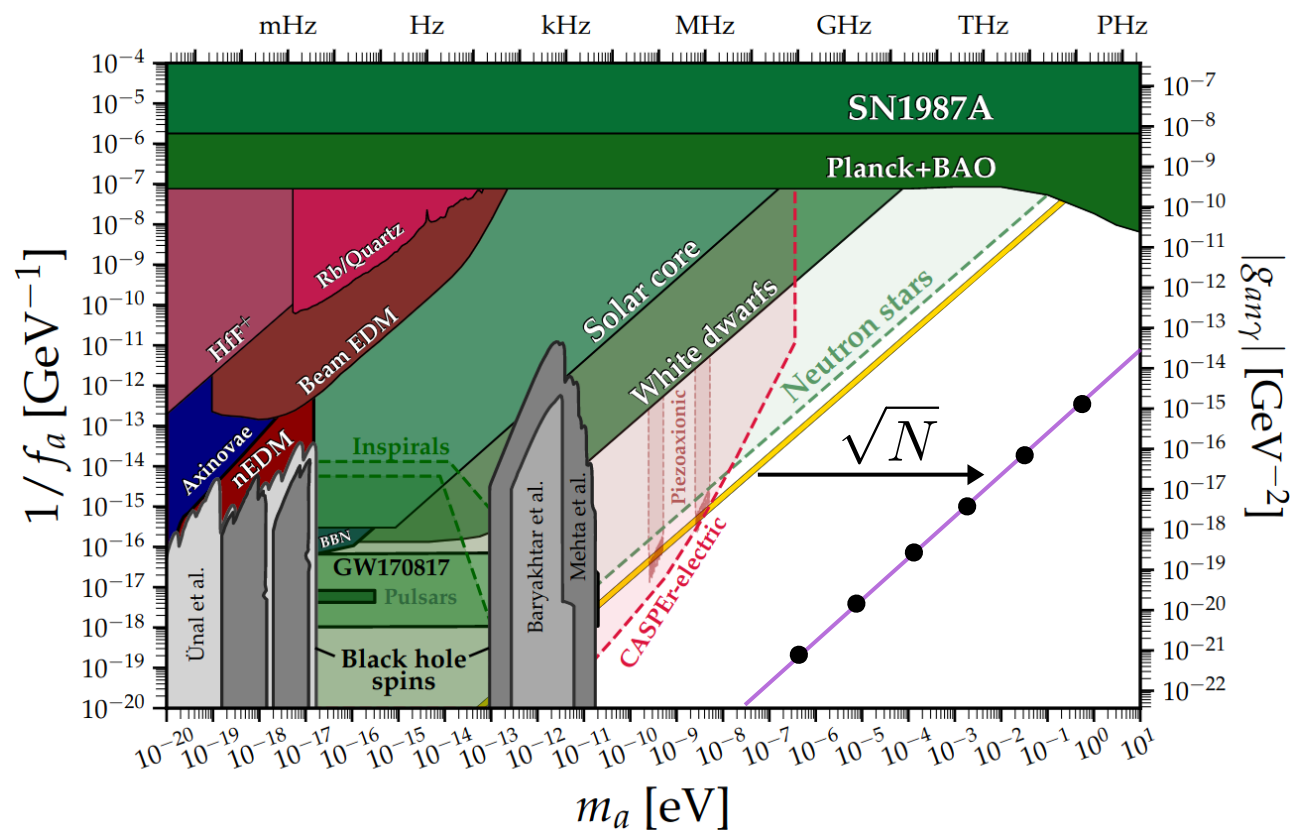
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Maximally deviated QCD axions=Maxions

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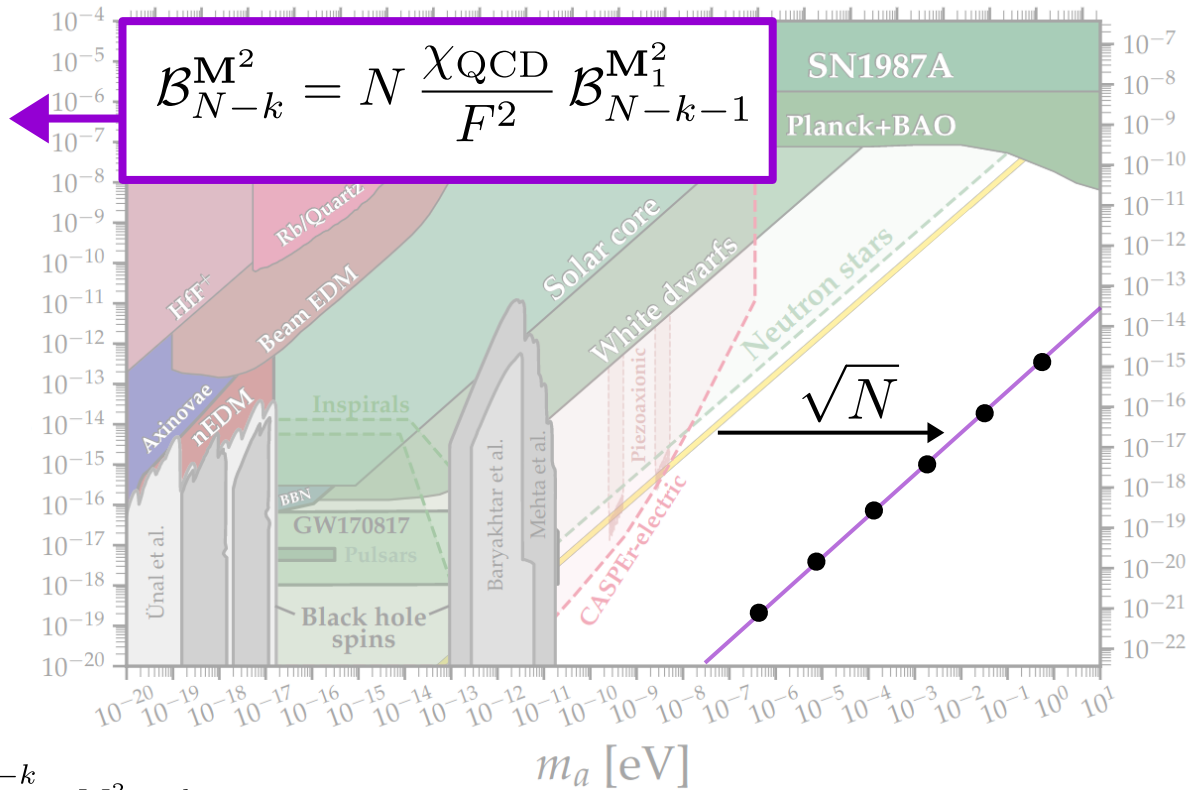


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m-parameter family of maxions: $m = N(N + 1)/2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr } \mathbf{M}^2 &= N \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{F^2} \\ \frac{\det \mathbf{M}^2}{\det \mathbf{M}_1^2} &= \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{F^2} \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$



$$p_{\mathbf{M}^2}(\lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^N \frac{(-1)^{N-k}}{(N-k)!} \mathcal{B}_{N-k}^{\mathbf{M}^2} \lambda^k$$

Coupling to photons

Assuming **universal** anomaly factors,

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{\alpha_{em}}{8\pi} \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{E_k}{\mathcal{N}_k} \frac{\hat{a}_k}{\hat{f}_k} F \tilde{F} \implies \frac{\alpha_{em}}{8\pi} \frac{E}{\mathcal{N}} \frac{a_{G\tilde{G}}}{F} F \tilde{F}$$

Making an axion-dependent rotation, $q = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow e^{i\gamma_5 a_{G\tilde{G}}/(2F)Q_a} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} :$

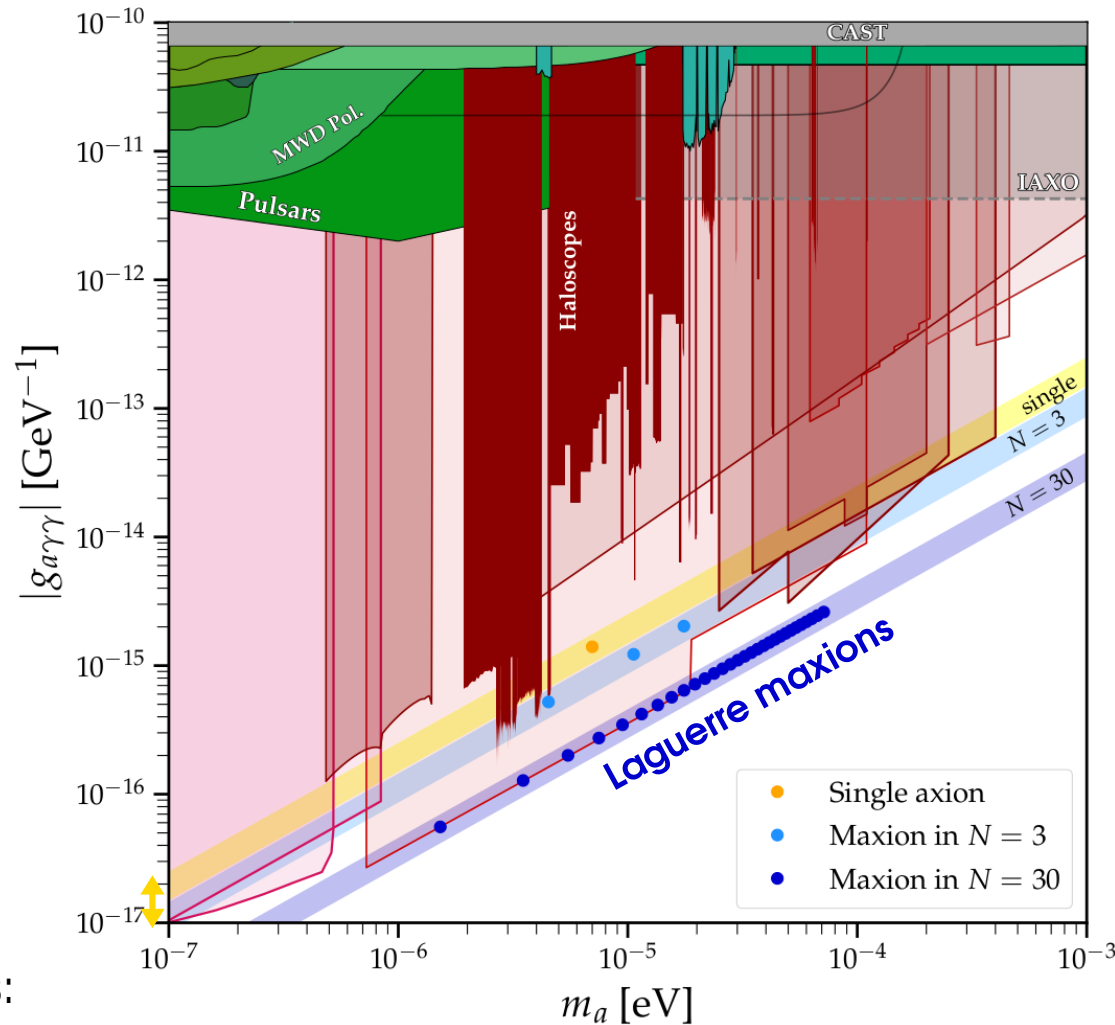
Di Cortona, Hardy, Vega, Villadoro 15

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{\alpha_{em}}{2\pi} \left[\frac{E}{\mathcal{N}} - 1.92 \right] \sum_i \frac{a_i}{f_i} F \tilde{F}$$

$\frac{m_i^2}{g_{a_i\gamma\gamma}^2} = \frac{m_a^2}{g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2} \Big _{\text{single QCD axion}} \times g_i$
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$$\frac{(2\pi)^2}{\alpha_{em}^2} \left[\frac{E}{\mathcal{N}} - 1.92 \right]^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{g_{a_i\gamma\gamma}^2}{m_i^2} = 1$$

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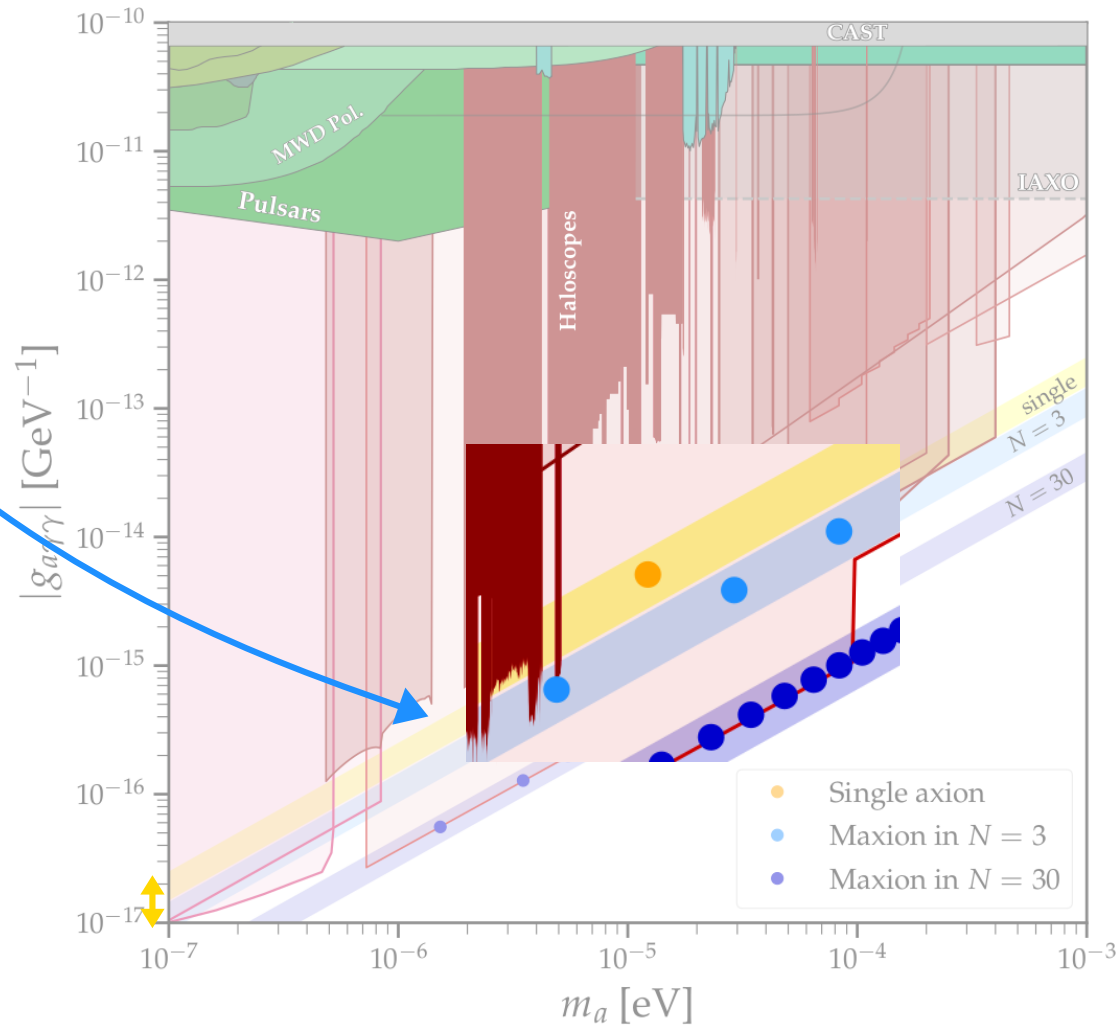


Mass splitting is not fixed!
 (Laguerre are **one type** of maxion solutions)

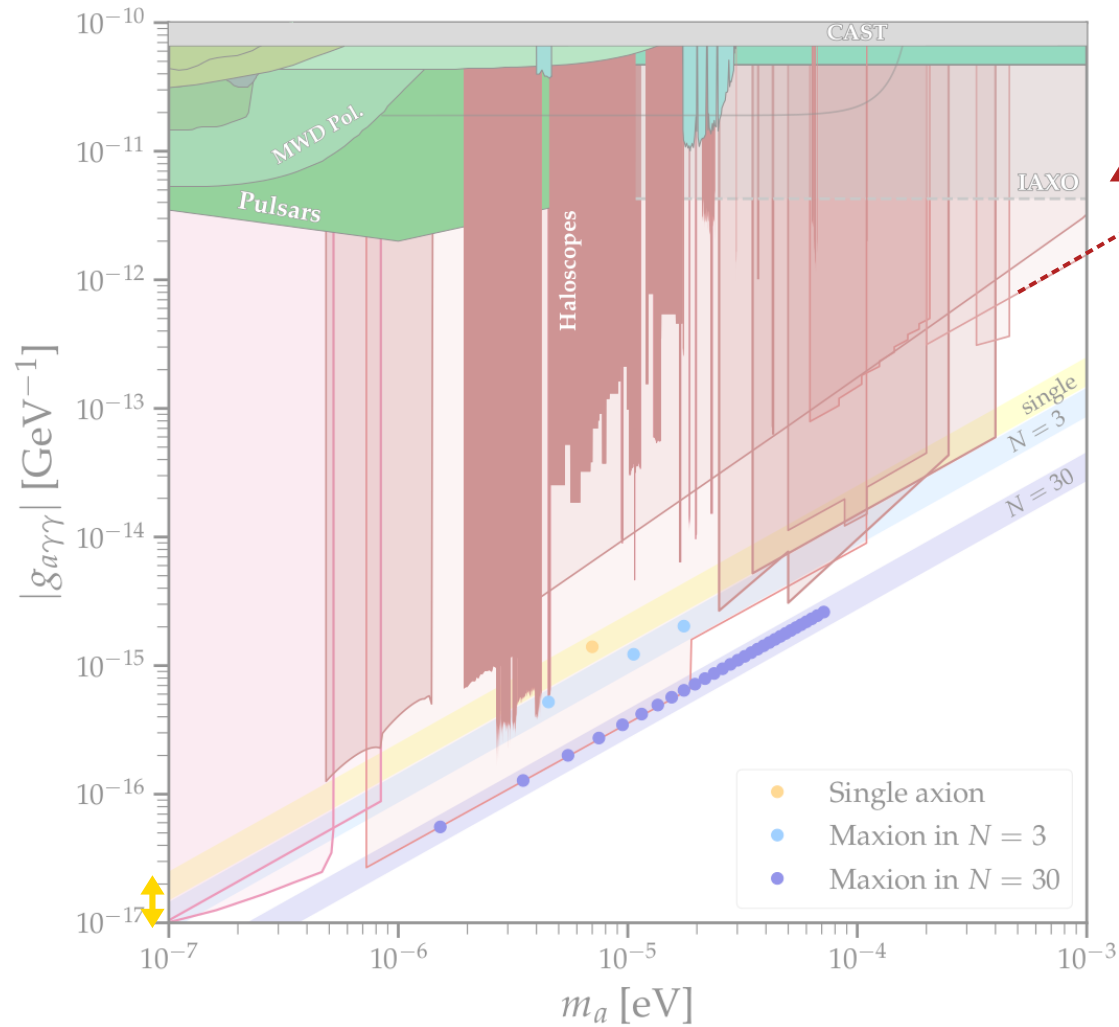
↕ Band width spans:
 $E/\mathcal{N} \in [2/3, 8/3]$

Coupling to photons

Multiplicity of signals might be the smoking gun



Coupling to photons



How does each scalar contribute to the **dark matter** abundance?

Chala, Guedes, Santiago, MR, 2012.09017
Machado, Das Bakshi, MR, 2306.08036

Revisiting the axion/ALP EFT:

II. Can operator mixing impact our predictions?

The minimal basis

$$L_4 = L_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu s)(\partial^\mu s) - \frac{1}{2}m_s^2 s^2 - \frac{\kappa_s}{3!} s^3 - \frac{\lambda_s}{4!} s^4 - \kappa_{s\phi} s \phi^\dagger \phi - \frac{\lambda_{s\phi}}{2} s^2 \phi^\dagger \phi$$

$$L_5 = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}+s} + s \left[i \bar{q}_L a_{su\phi} \tilde{\phi} u_R + i \bar{q}_L a_{sd\phi} \phi d_R + i \bar{l}_L a_{se\phi} \phi e_R + \text{h.c.} \right] + a_{s^5} s^5$$

$$+ a_{s^3} s^3 (\phi^\dagger \phi) + a_s s (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 + a_{s\tilde{G}} s G_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{G}^{A\mu\nu} + a_{s\tilde{W}} s W_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{W}^{a\mu\nu}$$

$$+ a_{s\tilde{B}} s B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}^{\mu\nu} + a_{sG} s G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu} + a_{sW} s W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a\mu\nu} + a_{sB} s B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

CP-odd

To quantify the stability of UV scenarios:

$$16 \pi^2 \mu \frac{da_i}{d\mu} = \gamma_{ij}^{(1)} a_j, \quad 16\pi^2 \mu \frac{d\kappa_i}{d\mu} = \gamma_{ij}^{(2)} \kappa_j + \gamma_{ij}^{(3)} m^2 a_j$$

Comparison with axion basis

$$L_{\text{ALP}} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu s)^2 + \sum_\psi \frac{\partial_\mu s}{f_s} \bar{\psi} c_\psi \gamma^\mu \psi + \sum_X c_X \frac{g_X^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{s}{f_s} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

periodicity:

$$c_X \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Fraser, Reece 22

$$L_5 \supset s \left[i \bar{q}_L a_{su\phi} \tilde{\phi} u_R + i \bar{q}_L a_{sd\phi} \phi d_R + i \bar{l}_L a_{se\phi} \phi e_R + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

Shift symmetry (perturbative level)

$$a_{su\phi} = \frac{i}{f_s} (y^u c_u - c_q y^u), \quad a_{sd\phi} = \frac{i}{f_s} (y^d c_d - c_q y^d), \quad a_{se\phi} = \frac{i}{f_s} (y^e c_e - c_l y^e)$$

See also Bonilla, Brivio, Gavela, Sanz 21 and Bauer, Neubert, Renner, Schnubel, Thamm 21

Shift-symmetry invariants → Jonathan's talk

$$I_e^{(1)} = \text{Re Tr} (a_{se\phi} y_e^\dagger), \quad I_e^{(2)} = \text{Re Tr} (x_e a_{se\phi} y_e^\dagger), \quad I_e^{(3)} = \text{Re Tr} (x_e^2 a_{se\phi} y_e^\dagger)$$

Bonnefoy, Grojean, Kley 22

Renormalization results

	s^5	$s^3\phi^\dagger\phi$	$s(\phi^\dagger\phi)^2$	$s\overline{\Psi}_L\phi\psi_R$	sXX	$sX\tilde{X}$
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trivial zeros

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Only due to WFR
(not required by quantization argument)

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Large deviations from NDA

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$s(\phi^\dagger\phi)$	0	m_s^2	μ^2	$y_t\mu^2$	$g_2^2\mu^2$	0
s^4	κ_s	$\kappa_{s\phi}$	0	0	0	0
$s^2(\phi^\dagger\phi)$	0	$\kappa_s + \kappa_{s\phi}$	$\kappa_{s\phi}$	$y_t\kappa_{s\phi}$	$g_2^2\kappa_{s\phi}$	0
$(\phi^\dagger\phi)^2$	0	0	$\kappa_{s\phi}$	0	0	0

CP-odd effect: mixing between different mass dimensions

Matching at the EW scale

$$\begin{pmatrix} s \\ h \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{s} \\ \hat{h} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{-2a_s v^3 + 40a_{s^5} v_s^4/v - \frac{4}{3}v_s/v (6m_s^2 + 3\kappa_s v_s + \lambda_s v_s^2)}{(4a_s - 6a_{s^3}) v^2 v_s - 40a_{s^5} v_s^3 + 2m_s^2 + (-4\lambda + \lambda_{s\phi}) v^2 + v_s (2\kappa_s + \lambda_s v_s)}$$

$$v_s = 0 \implies \mu^2 = \lambda v^2 \not\Rightarrow \theta = 0 \quad \text{@ non-renormalizable level}$$

Other effective effects:

$$\hat{\lambda}_{s^2 h^2} v - \hat{\kappa}_{s^2 h} = \theta \left[\hat{\kappa}_s + 4v^2 (6\hat{a}_{s^3 h^2} - 7\hat{a}_{sh^4}) \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \hat{\lambda}_h v - \hat{\kappa}_h = -\frac{3}{2} \frac{\hat{m}_h^2}{v} + 24\theta \hat{a}_{sh^4} v^2$$

The low-energy EFT

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{\text{LEFT}} = & \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu s)(\partial^\mu s) - \frac{1}{2}\tilde{m}_s^2 s^2 - \frac{\tilde{\kappa}_s}{3!} s^3 - \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_s}{4!} s^4 - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} A_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{\theta}_{\text{QCD}} G_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{G}^{A\mu\nu} \\
 & + \sum_{\psi=u,d,e} \left[\bar{\psi} i D \psi - \bar{\psi}_L \tilde{m}_\psi \psi_R + i s \bar{\psi}_L \tilde{c}_\psi \psi_R + \boxed{s^2 \bar{\psi}_L \tilde{a}_\psi \psi_R} + \text{h.c.} \right] + \tilde{a}_{s^5} s^5 \\
 & + \tilde{a}_{sA} s A_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{a}_{sG} s G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu} + \tilde{a}_{s\tilde{A}} s A_{\mu\nu} \tilde{A}^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{a}_{s\tilde{G}} s G_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{G}^{A\mu\nu} \\
 & + \sum_{\psi=u,d,e} \left[\bar{\psi}_L \tilde{a}_\psi A \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi_R A_{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi}_L \tilde{a}_\psi G \sigma^{\mu\nu} T_A \psi_R G_{\mu\nu}^A + \text{h.c.} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$\tilde{a}_\psi \sim \lambda_{s\phi} \frac{y^\psi}{v} \sim \lambda_{s\phi} \frac{m_\psi}{v^2}$

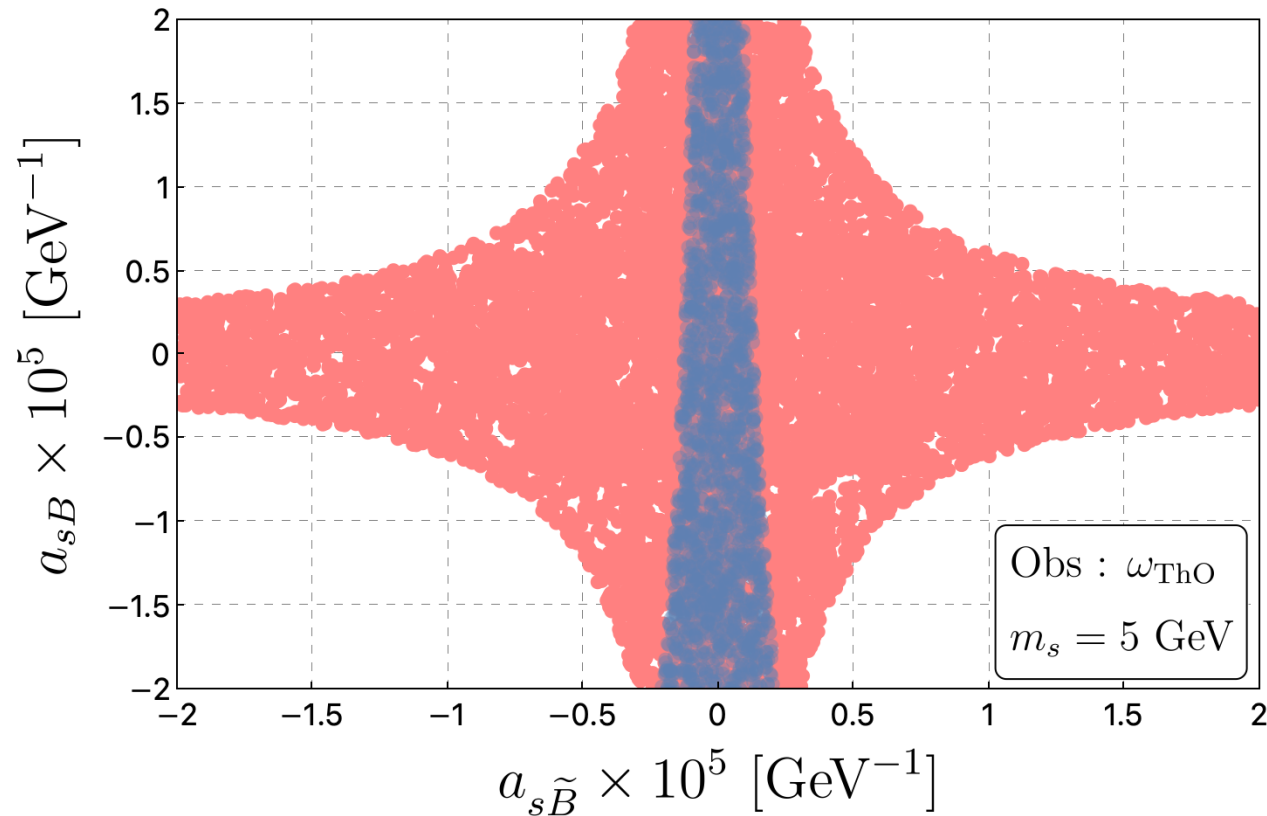
e.g. $\tilde{c}_\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} V_{\psi L}^\dagger \left[i \theta y_\psi + a_{s\psi\phi} (v + \theta v_s) \right] V_{\psi R}$

Then we run.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_{\tilde{a}_{s\tilde{G}}} = & \left(-\frac{46}{3} \tilde{g}_3^2 + 2 \text{Tr} [\tilde{c}_e \tilde{c}_e^\dagger + 3 \tilde{c}_d \tilde{c}_d^\dagger + 3 \tilde{c}_u \tilde{c}_u^\dagger] \right) \tilde{a}_{s\tilde{G}} \\
 & - 2g_3 \text{Tr} [\tilde{a}_{dG} \tilde{c}_d^\dagger + \tilde{a}_{uG} \tilde{c}_u^\dagger + \text{h.c.}] \\
 \beta_{\tilde{c}_e} = & -6\tilde{e}^2 \tilde{c}_e - 24\tilde{e}^2 \tilde{m}_e \tilde{a}_{s\tilde{A}} + 24i\tilde{e}^2 \tilde{m}_e \tilde{a}_{sA} + 2 \text{Tr} [\tilde{c}_e \tilde{c}_e^\dagger + 3 (\tilde{c}_u \tilde{c}_u^\dagger + \tilde{c}_d \tilde{c}_d^\dagger)] \tilde{c}_e \\
 & + 3\tilde{c}_e \tilde{c}_e^\dagger \tilde{c}_e + 2 \text{Tr} [\tilde{m}_e \tilde{c}_e^\dagger \tilde{a}_e - 2\tilde{a}_e \tilde{m}_e^\dagger \tilde{c}_e + \tilde{a}_e \tilde{c}_e^\dagger \tilde{m}_e - 2\tilde{c}_e \tilde{m}_e^\dagger \tilde{a}_e] \\
 & - 2i\tilde{\kappa}_s \tilde{a}_e - 12\tilde{e}^2 (\tilde{m}_e \tilde{c}_e^\dagger \tilde{a}_{eA} - \tilde{a}_{eA} \tilde{m}_e^\dagger \tilde{c}_e + \tilde{a}_{eA} \tilde{c}_e^\dagger \tilde{m}_e - \tilde{c}_e \tilde{m}_e^\dagger \tilde{a}_{eA})
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Phenomenological implications

Impact of scalar mixing: $\kappa_s \phi \sim 0.1 \rightarrow \theta \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-4})$

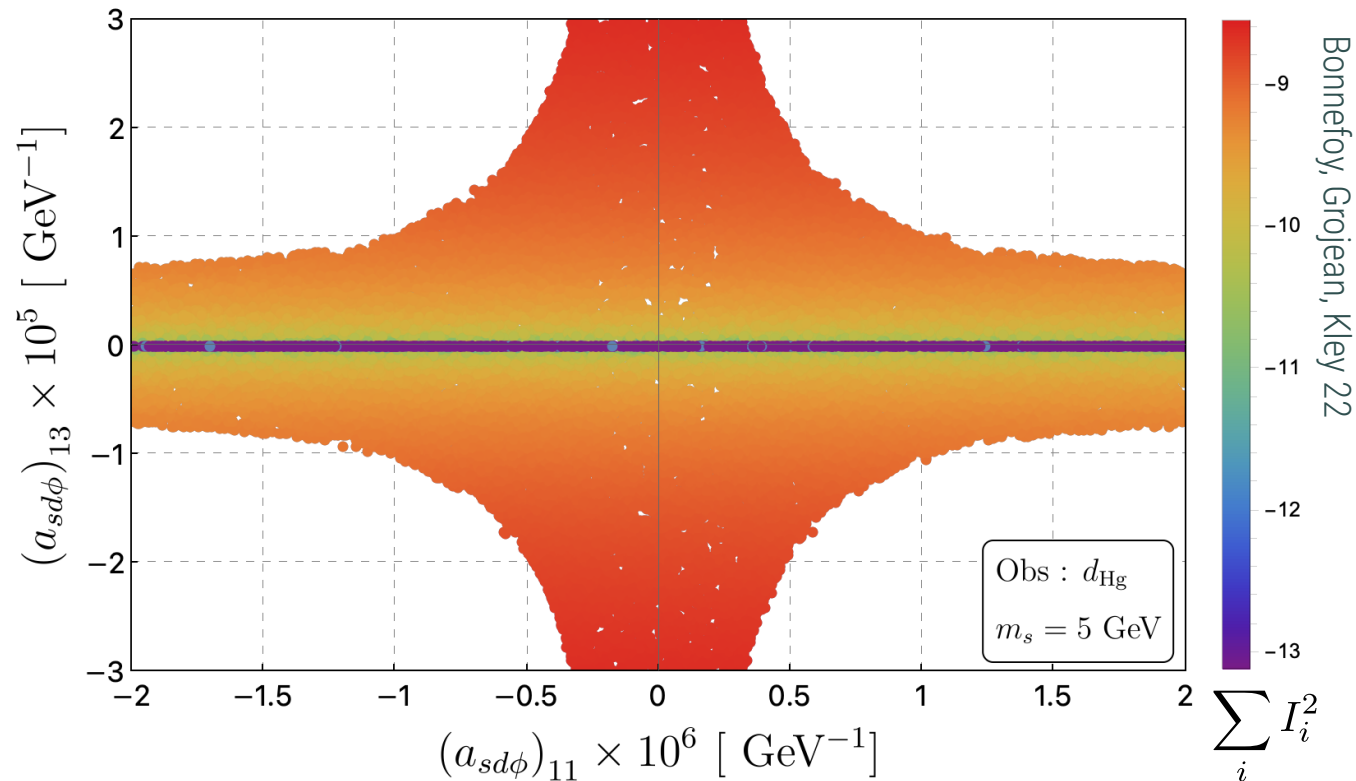


From Δ diagram with: $c_{se} \propto i\theta y_e + a_{se}\phi(v + \theta v_s)$

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Phenomenological implications

Assuming only Re couplings in the UV



Phenomenological implications

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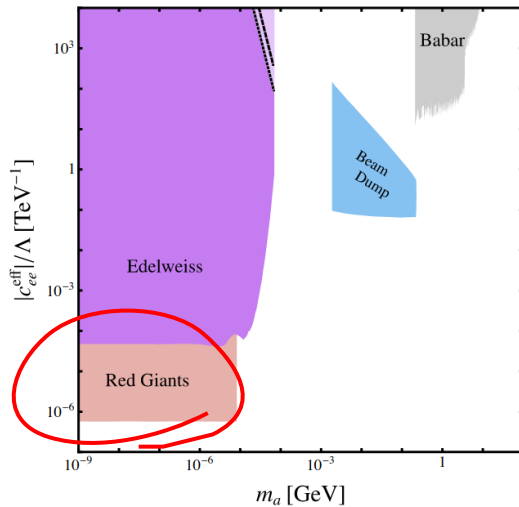
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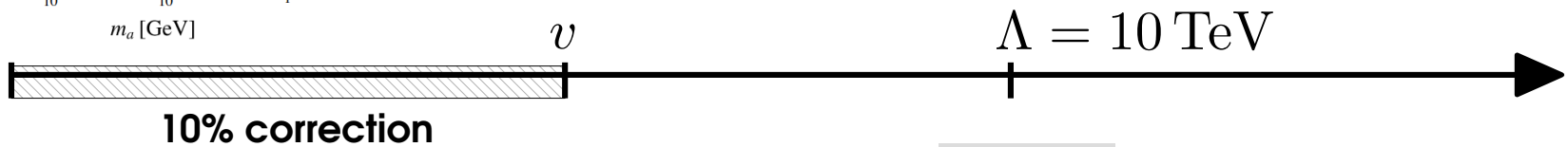
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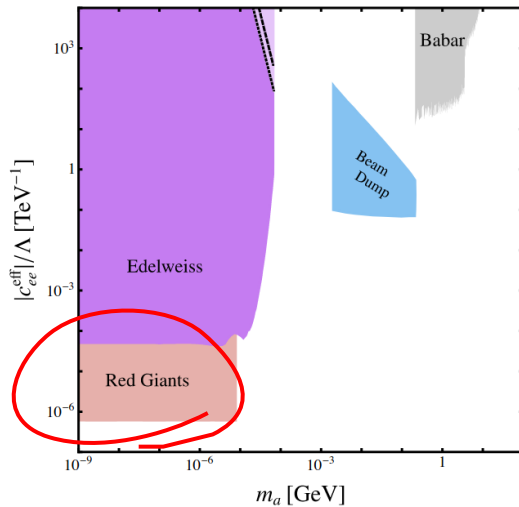
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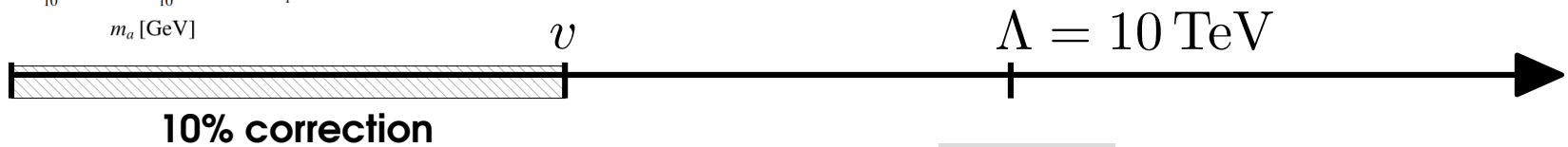
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$$a_s \tilde{Z} < 4.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$$



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Conclusions

I. Scalar mixing effects: The PQ mechanism leads in all generality to multiple axion signals, which are linked by an exact sum rule. The maximum deviation of N axions is \sqrt{N} . The main experimental impact is from scales not far from the QCD contribution.

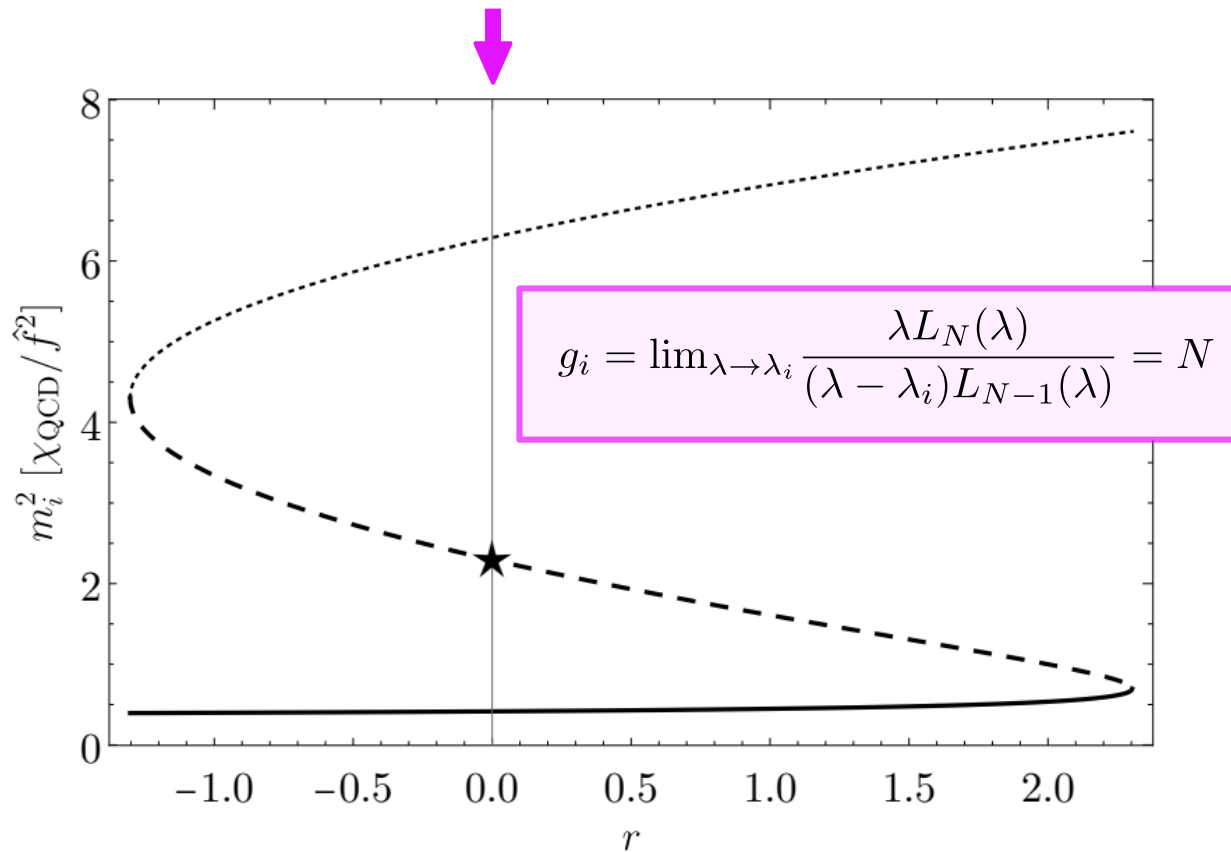
II. Operator mixing effects: The full RGE effects should be taken into account to correctly interpret low-energy bounds in terms of Wilson coefficients generated in the UV. Shift-breaking interactions typically source sizable mixings and open novel signatures for ALPs. For example, new CP-odd phases can be produced, which are absent in more shift-symmetric scenarios.

Thanks!

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Laguerre maxions

$$\hat{\mathbf{M}}^2 = \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\hat{f}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 1 \\ 1 & 4 - \sqrt{3+r-r^2} & 1+r \\ 1 & 1+r & 4 + \sqrt{3+r-r^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

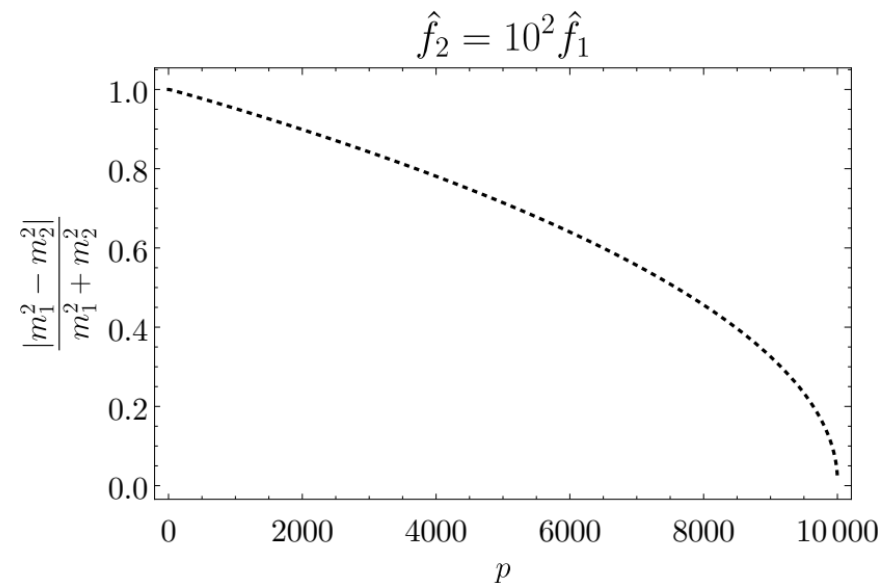
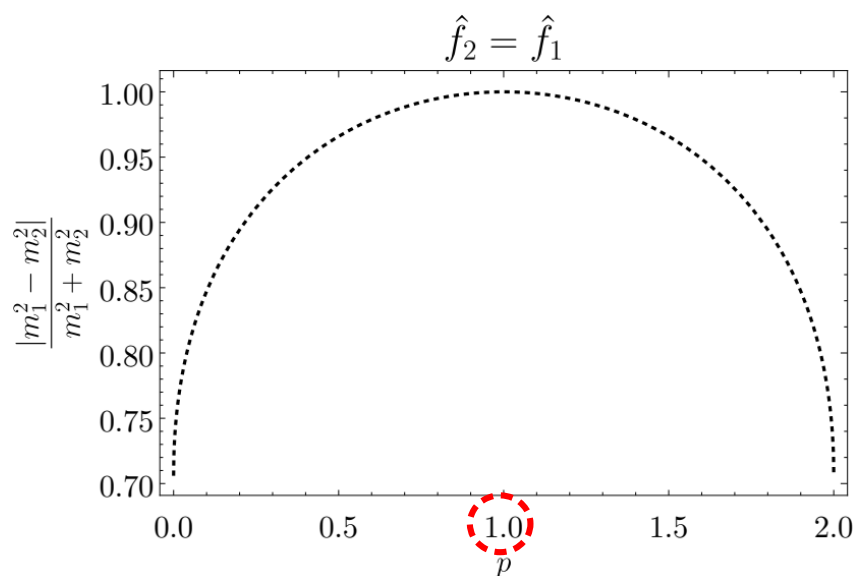


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Eigenvalues dispersion

All families of maxions (with same scale) for N=2:

$$\mathbf{M}_{N=2}^2 = \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\hat{f}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 2-p & 1 + \sqrt{p(2-p)} \\ 1 + \sqrt{p(2-p)} & 1+p \end{pmatrix}$$



Limiting case: Massless state has no mixing with gluons, the heavy one with mass $\sim 4 \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\hat{f}^2}$

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One UV completion

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}} = |\partial_\mu S_1|^2 + |\partial_\mu S_2|^2 + \bar{\Psi}_1 iD\Psi_1 + \bar{\Psi}_2 iD\Psi_2 - [y_1 \bar{\Psi}_1 \Psi_1 S_1 + y_2 \bar{\Psi}_2 \Psi_2 S_2 + \text{h.c.}] - V(S_{1,2})$$

$$U(1)_{\text{PQ}} : \Psi_{j,L} \rightarrow e^{i\alpha_j/2} \Psi_{j,L}, \quad \Psi_{j,R} \rightarrow e^{-i\alpha_j/2} \Psi_{j,R}, \quad S_j \rightarrow e^{i\alpha_j} S$$

$$\text{After SSB,} \quad S_{1,2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\hat{f}_{1,2} + \rho_{1,2} \right) e^{i\hat{a}_{1,2}/\hat{f}_{1,2}}.$$

$V(S_{1,2}) = \lambda S_1^3 S_2 + \text{h.c.}$ reduces the symmetry to just one PQ

After QCD confinement,

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \chi_{\text{QCD}} \left(\frac{\hat{a}_1 + \hat{a}_2}{\hat{f}} - \bar{\theta} \right)^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \hat{f}^4 \left(\frac{3\hat{a}_1 + \hat{a}_2}{\hat{f}} \right)^2$$

$$r = \lambda \frac{\hat{f}^4}{2\chi_{\text{QCD}}} \quad \mathbf{M}^2 = \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\hat{f}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 + 8r & -4r \\ -4r & 2r \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{with } 1/F^2 = 2/\hat{f}^2$$

which contains **maxion** solutions ($r = 1/5$).

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Clockwork scenario

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$$\hat{\mathbf{M}}^2 = \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\hat{f}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + r \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\hat{f}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -q & 0 \\ -q & 1 + q^2 & -q \\ 0 & -q & q^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Correspondingly, $v_{j0} \propto \frac{1}{q^j}$ leads to decay constant exponentially enhanced

PQ:

$$\frac{\det \mathbf{M}^2}{\det \mathbf{M}_1^2} = \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{F^2}$$



Maxions:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{tr } \mathbf{M}^2 = N \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{F^2} \Leftrightarrow r = \frac{1}{10} \\ \text{tr}^2 \mathbf{M}^2 - \text{tr } \mathbf{M}^2 \cdot \text{tr } \mathbf{M}^2 = N \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{F^2} \text{tr } \mathbf{M}_1^2 \Leftrightarrow r = 0 \vee r = \frac{11}{182} \end{array} \right.$$



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Potential scales

In the basis where the extra potential is diagonal, $\mathbf{M}_B^2 = \text{diag}(\tilde{\lambda}_1, \dots, \tilde{\lambda}_N)$

$$g_i = \frac{m_i^2 F^2}{|\langle a_{G\tilde{G}} | a_i \rangle|^2 \chi_{\text{QCD}}} = \frac{m_i^2}{\left| \langle a_{\text{PQ}} | a_i \rangle / f_{\text{PQ}} + \sum_j^{N-1} \langle \tilde{a}_j | a_i \rangle / \tilde{f}_j \right|^2 \chi_{\text{QCD}}}$$

For $\tilde{\lambda}_j \gg \chi_{\text{QCD}}/F^2$:

$$\frac{1}{g_j} \sim \frac{|\langle a_{G\tilde{G}} | \tilde{a}_j \rangle|^2 \chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\tilde{\lambda}_j F^2} = \frac{(F/\tilde{f}_j)^2 \chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\tilde{\lambda}_j F^2} \leq \frac{\chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\tilde{\lambda}_j F^2} \rightarrow 0$$

For $\tilde{\lambda}_j \ll \chi_{\text{QCD}}/F^2$:

$$a_\varepsilon = \frac{a_{\text{PQ}}}{f_{\text{PQ}}} - \frac{\tilde{a}_j}{\tilde{f}_j} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \quad m_\varepsilon^2 \sim \tilde{\lambda}_j = \varepsilon \chi_{\text{QCD}}/F^2$$
$$\frac{1}{g_j} \sim \frac{|\langle a_{G\tilde{G}} | \tilde{a}_\varepsilon \rangle|^2 \chi_{\text{QCD}}}{\tilde{\lambda}_j F^2} \sim \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\varepsilon} \rightarrow 0$$

Whenever one scale is very different from the QCD induced mass, one state decouples.

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Mixing effects in DM abundance

Would typically dominate the late-time energy density

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi_a)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi_S)^2 \\ - m_a^2(T) f_a^2 \left[1 - \cos\left(\frac{\phi_a}{f_a} + \frac{\phi_S}{f_S}\right) \right] \\ - m_S^2 f_S^2 \left[1 - \cos\left(\frac{\phi_S}{f_S}\right) \right]$$

$$m_a^2(T) = m_{a,0}^2 \max \left\{ 1, \left(\frac{T}{T_{\text{QCD}}} \right)^{-n} \right\}$$

Assume $f_s \gg f_a$:

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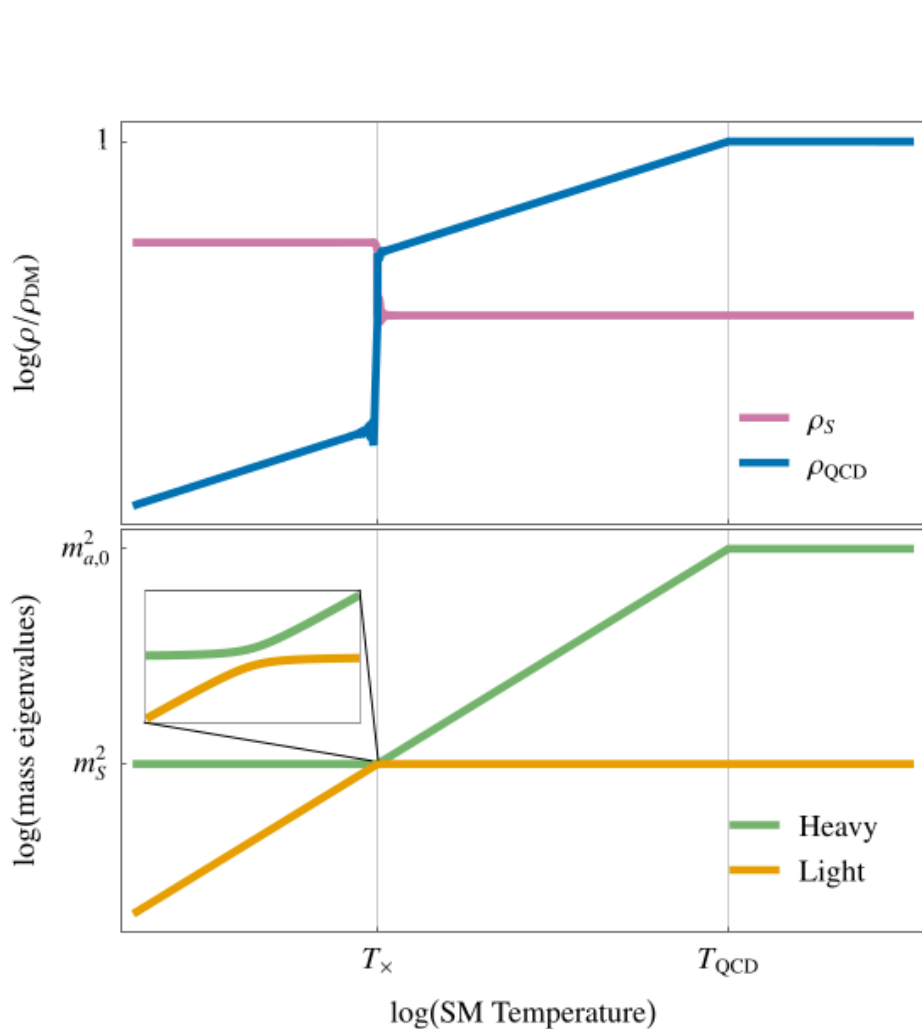
$$V \approx \begin{pmatrix} \phi_a & \phi_S \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m_a^2 & \frac{f_a}{f_S} m_a^2 \\ \frac{f_a}{f_S} m_a^2 & m_S^2 + \frac{f_a^2}{f_S^2} m_a^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_a \\ \phi_S \end{pmatrix}$$

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Off-shell renormalization

- Compute **one-loop divergent amplitudes** generated by 1PI diagrams
Feynrules + FeynArts + FormCalc + Matchmakereft
- Match to the **Green's basis**
- Project onto the minimal basis, using field redefinitions

Scalar	Yukawa	Gauge	Derivative
$\mathcal{O}_{s^5} = s^5$	$\mathcal{O}_{su\phi} = is\bar{q}_L\tilde{\phi}u_R$	$\mathcal{O}_{s\tilde{B}} = sB_{\mu\nu}\tilde{B}^{\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{R}_{s\phi\Box} = is\phi^\dagger D^2\phi$
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		$\mathcal{O}_{sW} = sW_{\mu\nu}W^{\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{R}_{sl} = is\bar{l}_L\rlap{/}\partial l_L$
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