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# Testable scenarios of leptogenesis

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# The Seesaw Mechanism (type I)

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + i\bar{\nu}_R \not{\partial} \nu_R - \bar{L}_L F \nu_R \tilde{H} - \tilde{H}^\dagger \bar{\nu}_R F^\dagger L - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\nu}_R^c M_M \nu_R + \bar{\nu}_R M_M^\dagger \nu_R^c)$$

Three Generations of Matter (Fermions) spin 1/2

	I	II	III	
mass →	2.4 MeV	1.27 GeV	171.2 GeV	0
charge →	2/3	2/3	2/3	0
name →	<b>u</b> Left up Right	<b>c</b> Left charm Right	<b>t</b> Left top Right	<b>g</b> gluon
	4.8 MeV	104 MeV	4.2 GeV	0
	-1/3	-1/3	-1/3	0
	<b>d</b> Left down Right	<b>s</b> Left strange Right	<b>b</b> Left bottom Right	<b>γ</b> photon
Quarks	0 eV	0 eV	0 eV	91.2 GeV
	<b>ν<sub>e</sub></b> electron neutrino	<b>ν<sub>μ</sub></b> muon neutrino	<b>ν<sub>τ</sub></b> tau neutrino	<b>Z</b> weak force
	0.511 MeV	105.7 MeV	1.777 GeV	125 GeV
	-1	-1	-1	0
	<b>e</b> Left electron Right	<b>μ</b> Left muon Right	<b>τ</b> Left tau Right	<b>H</b> Higgs boson
Leptons				spin 0
				80.4 GeV
				+1
				<b>W</b> weak force
				spin 1

three light neutrinos mostly "active" SU(2) doublet  
 $\nu \simeq U_\nu (\nu_L + \theta \nu_R^c)$  known light neutrinos  
 with masses  $m_\nu \simeq \theta M_M \theta^T = v^2 F M_M^{-1} F^T$

three heavy mostly singlet neutrinos  
 $N \simeq \nu_R + \theta^T \nu_L^c$  heavy neutral leptons (HNL)  
 with masses  $M_N \simeq M_M$



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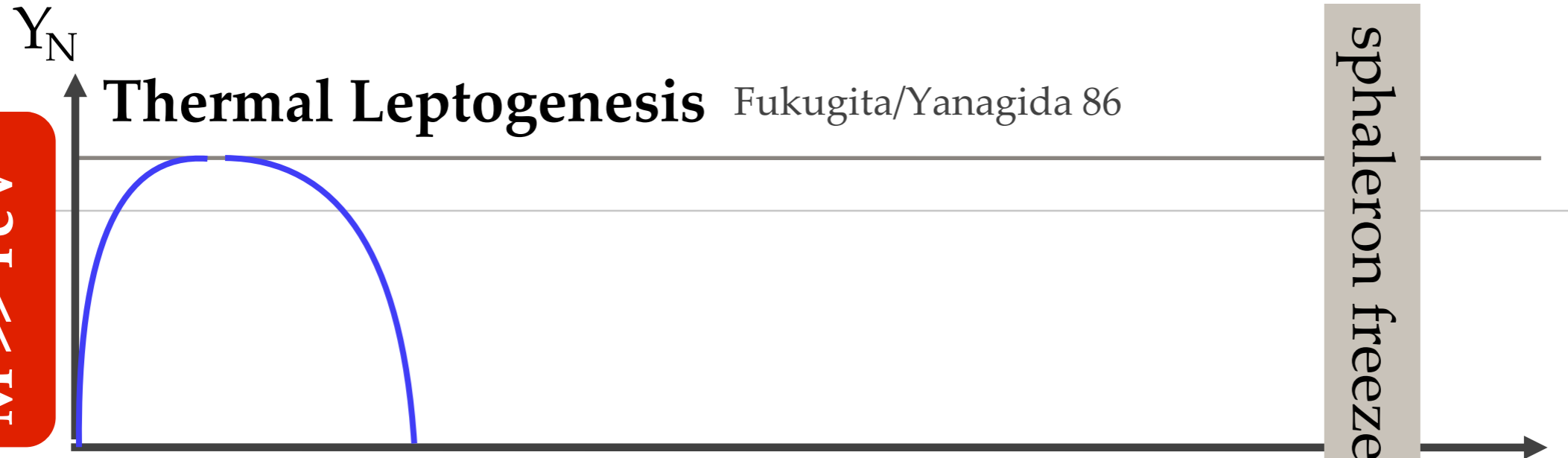
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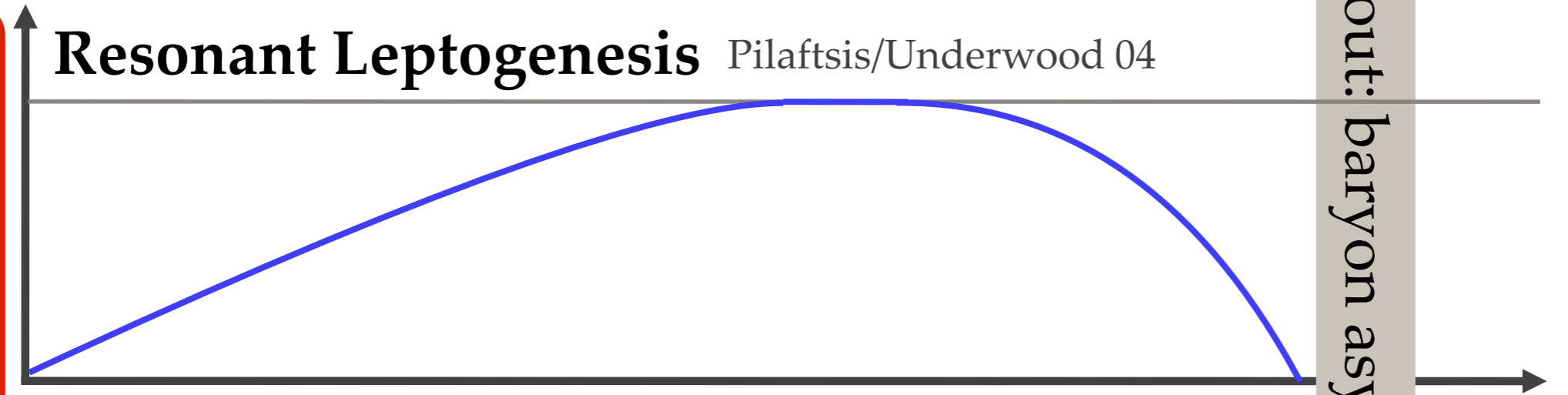
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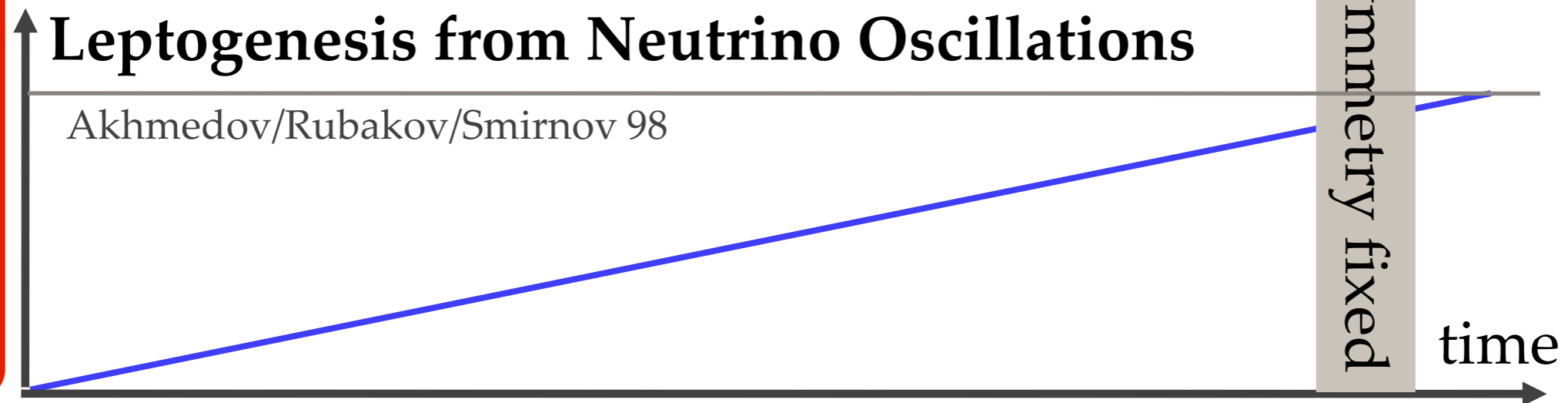


asymmetry generated in  
freeze-out and decay

low scale  
 $M < \text{TeV}$



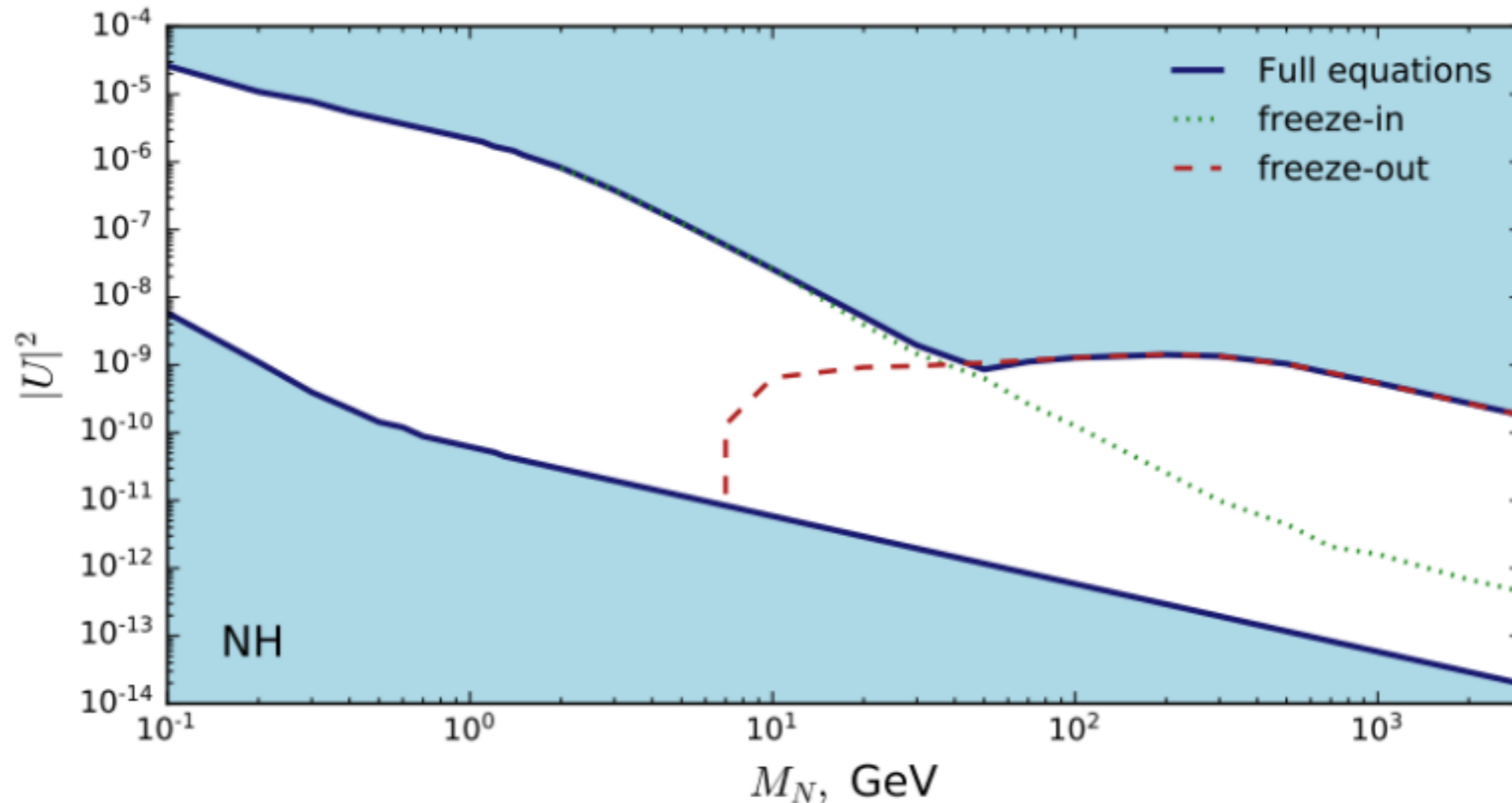
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"big bang"

$T = 130 \text{ GeV}$

# Leptogenesis with 2 RH Neutrinos



The region in which the freeze-out scenario (“resonant leptogenesis”) and freeze-in scenario (“ARS leptogenesis”) work overlap!

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# Quantitative Description

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- Low scale leptogenesis involves many effects not captured by simple Boltzmann equation (coherent oscillations, quantum statistics, screening by the plasma, ...)
- Significant progress has been made towards a quantitative description

See e.g. Biondini et al [1711.02864](#), Garbrecht [1812.02651](#)

[talk by Bjorn Garbrecht]

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# B-L Symmetry protected Scenarios

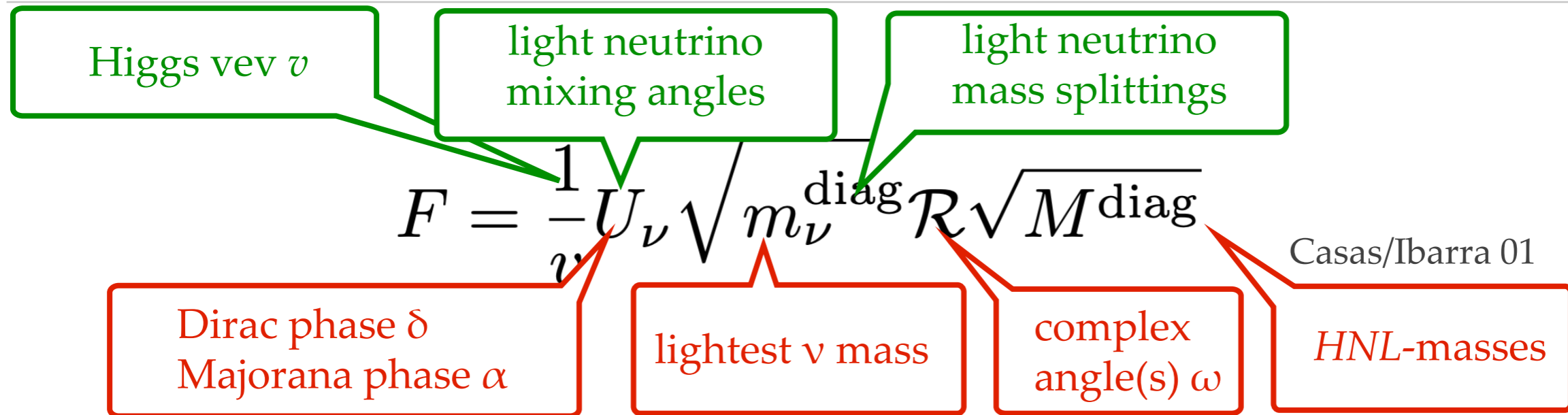
- $\nu$ -masses naively scale  $m_\nu \sim \theta^2 M$ , implying tiny  $U^2 = |\theta|^2 \sim m_\nu/M$
- production cross section at colliders scales as  $\sigma_N \sim \theta^2 \sigma_\nu$
- Small  $\nu$ -masses reconciled with sizeable couplings if protected by generalised B-L symmetry, broken by small parameters  $\epsilon, \epsilon', \mu$

Shaposhnikov 06, Kersten/Smirnov 07

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} F_e(1 + \epsilon_e) & iF_e(1 - \epsilon_e) & F_e\epsilon'_e \\ F_\mu(1 + \epsilon_\mu) & iF_\mu(1 - \epsilon_\mu) & F_\mu\epsilon'_\mu \\ F_\tau(1 + \epsilon_\tau) & iF_\tau(1 - \epsilon_\tau) & F_\tau\epsilon'_\tau \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_M = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{M}(1 - \mu) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{M}(1 + \mu) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M' \end{pmatrix}$$

- Resembles pheno of “inverse seesaw” Mohapatra 86, Mohapatra /Valle 86, ...
- Technically natural seesaw with O[1] Yukawas and  $M < \text{TeV}$
- Resonant enhancement in leptogenesis comes for free due to  $\mu \ll 1$
- Two possible realisations:
  - **$\nu$ MSM-like** :  $\epsilon, \epsilon', \mu \rightarrow 0$  Asaka/Shaposhnikov 05
  - “mass communism”:  $\mu \rightarrow 0$  and  $M' \rightarrow M$

# Parameter Spaces



## 2 Heavy Neutrinos ( $\nu$ MSM)

- + 2 RHN masses
- + 1 *complex* ( $\times 2$ ) angle
- + 2 light neutrino masses
- + 3 PMNS angles
- + 1 *CP* phase  $\delta$
- + 1 Majorana phase  $\alpha$

11 (6 free) parameters

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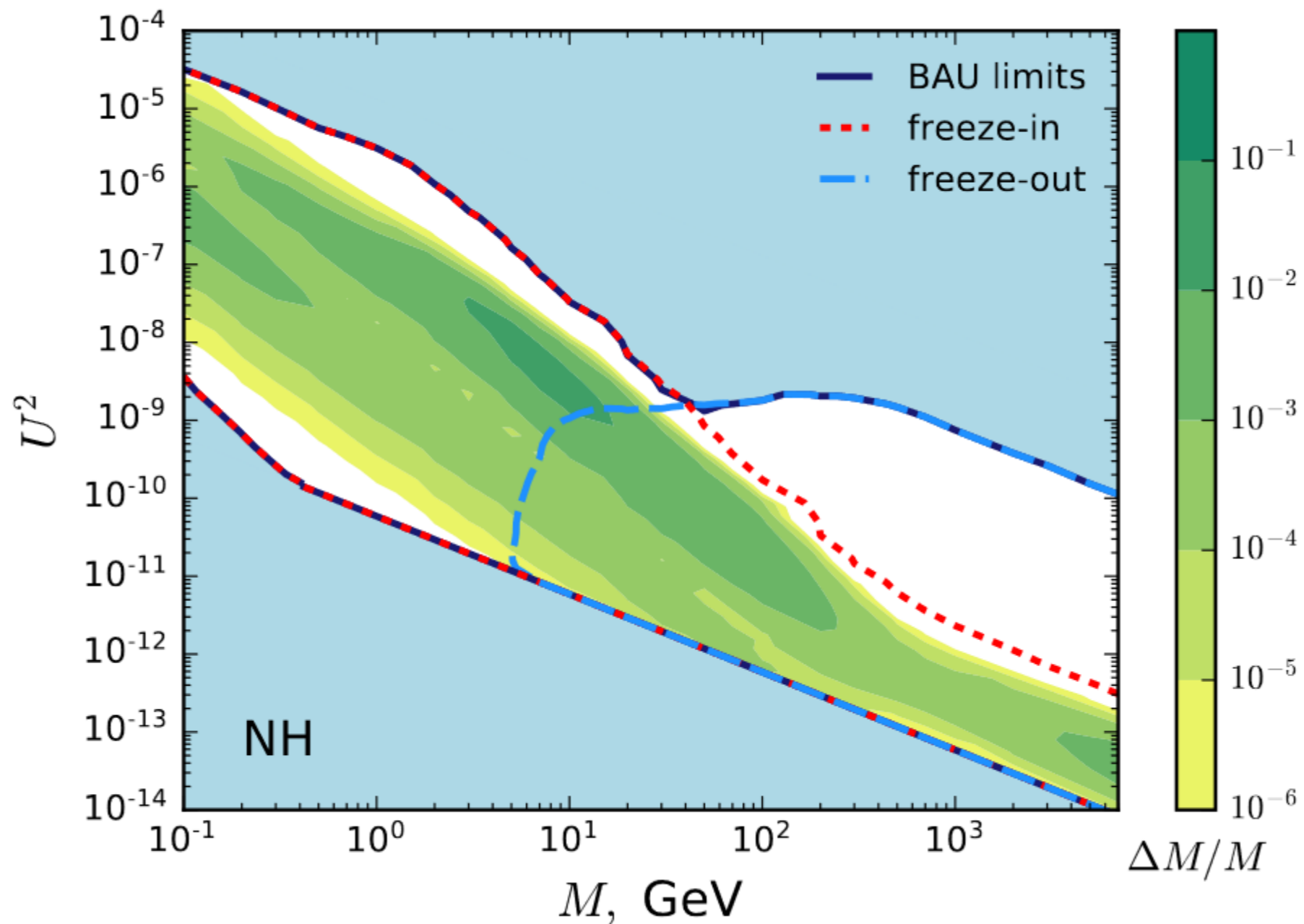
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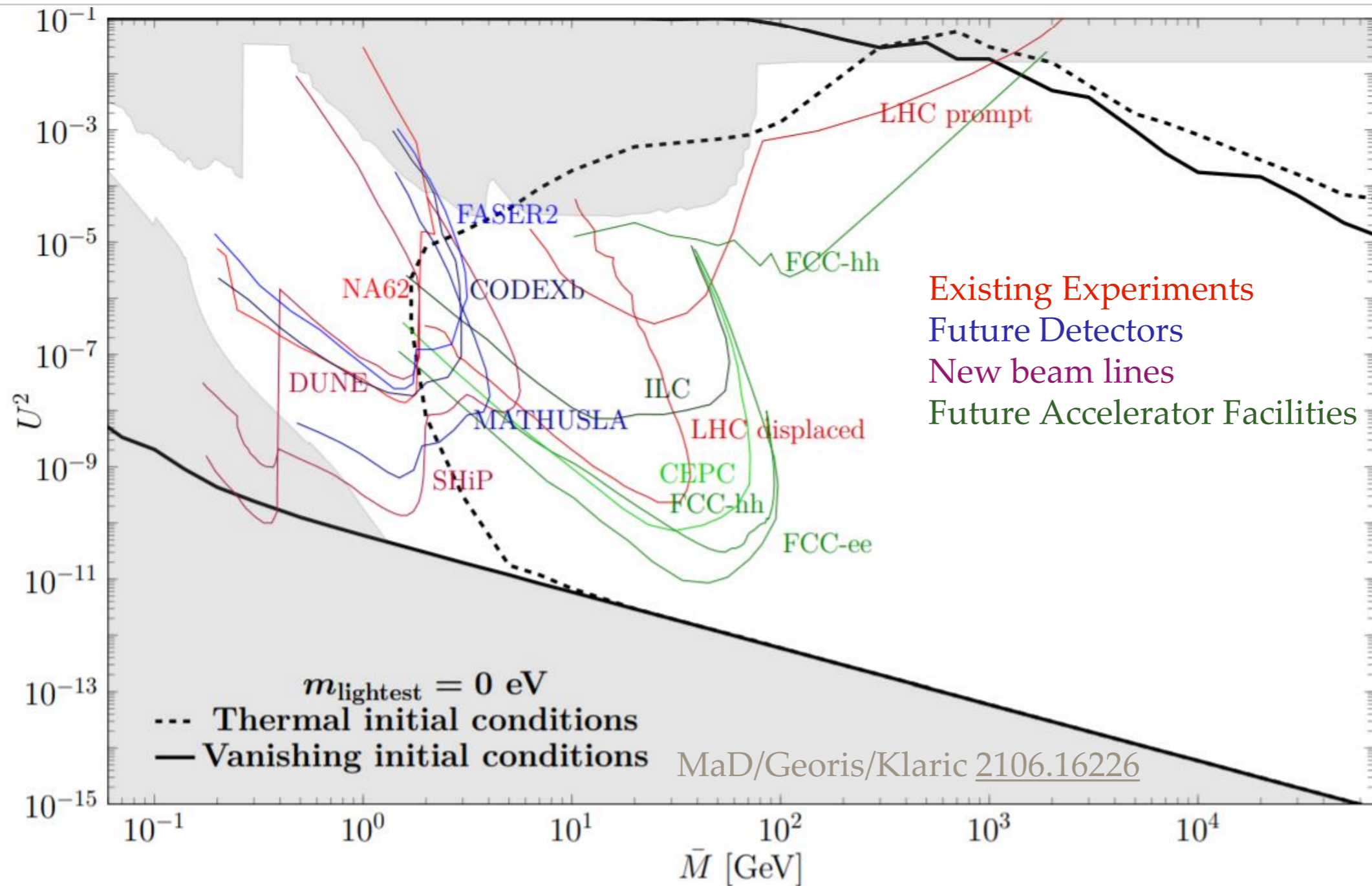
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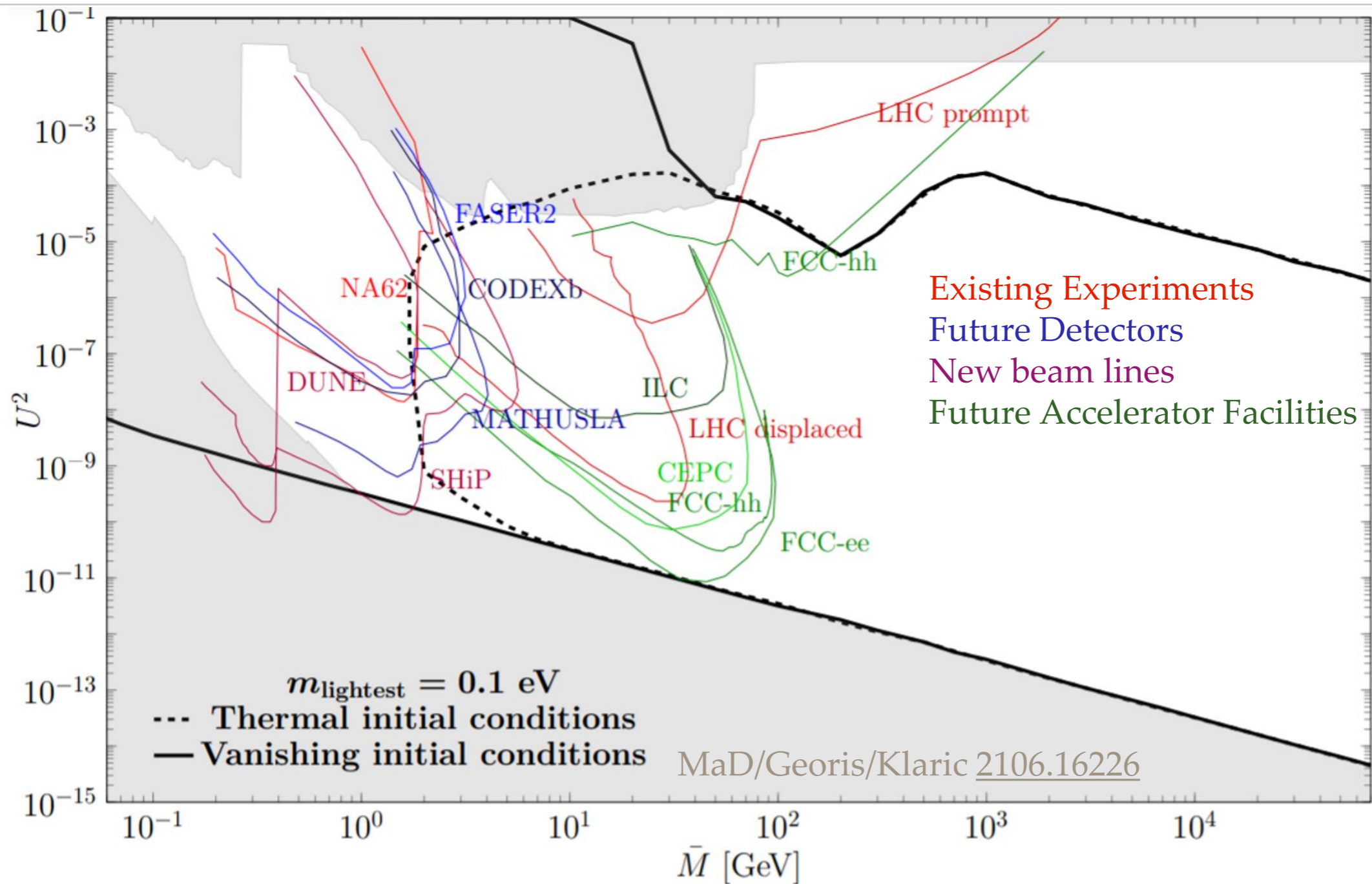
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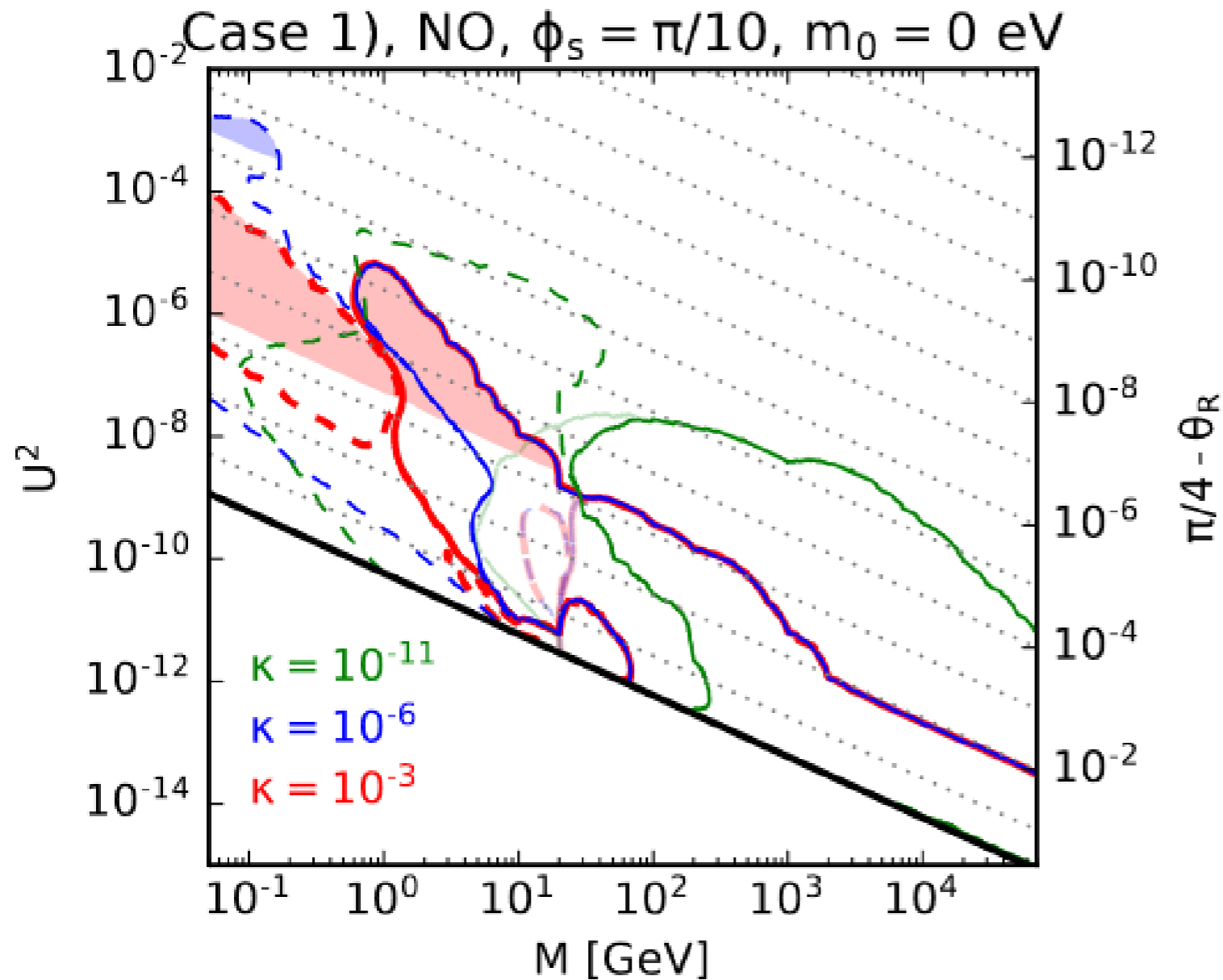
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## 3) Type I seesaw with discrete $\Delta(6n^2)$ flavour symmetry.

- Can be realised with different residual symmetries, known as cases 1), 2), 3.a) and 3.b.1) [Hagedorn/Meroni/Molinaro 1408.7118](#),
- Comprises three mass-degenerate HNLs
- For fixed  $n$  and residual symmetries and given HNL mass(es), there are only five free parameters in the Yukawamatrix  $F$
- Lightest SM neutrino can be massive or massless

# Leptogenesis Discrete Symmetries



Plot from MaD/Georis/Hagedorn/Klaric [2203.08538](#)

(cf. also Chauhan/Dev [2112.09710](#))

- Generically mixing is near the “seesaw line”  $U^2 \sim m_\nu/M$
- Can be enhanced in presence of enhanced residual symmetry
- $\kappa$  indicates splitting of Majorana mass eigenvalues
- Solid (dashed) curves give baryon asymmetry of correct magnitude and correct (wrong) sign
- Plot is for illustration, regions change for different residual symmetries

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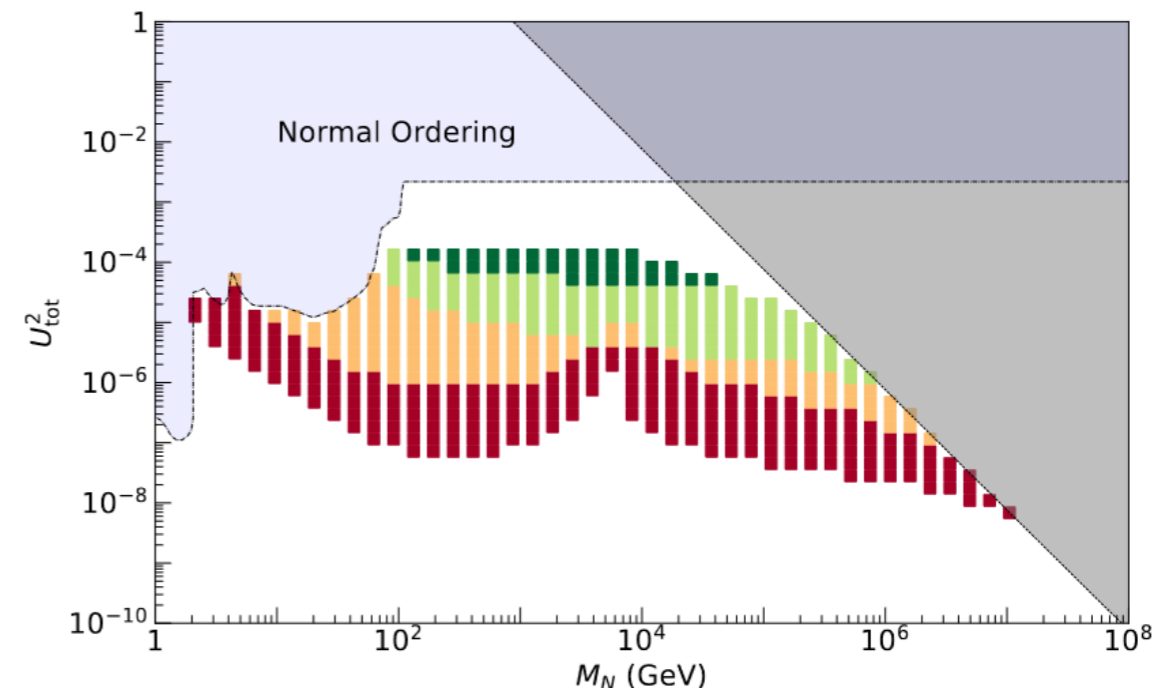
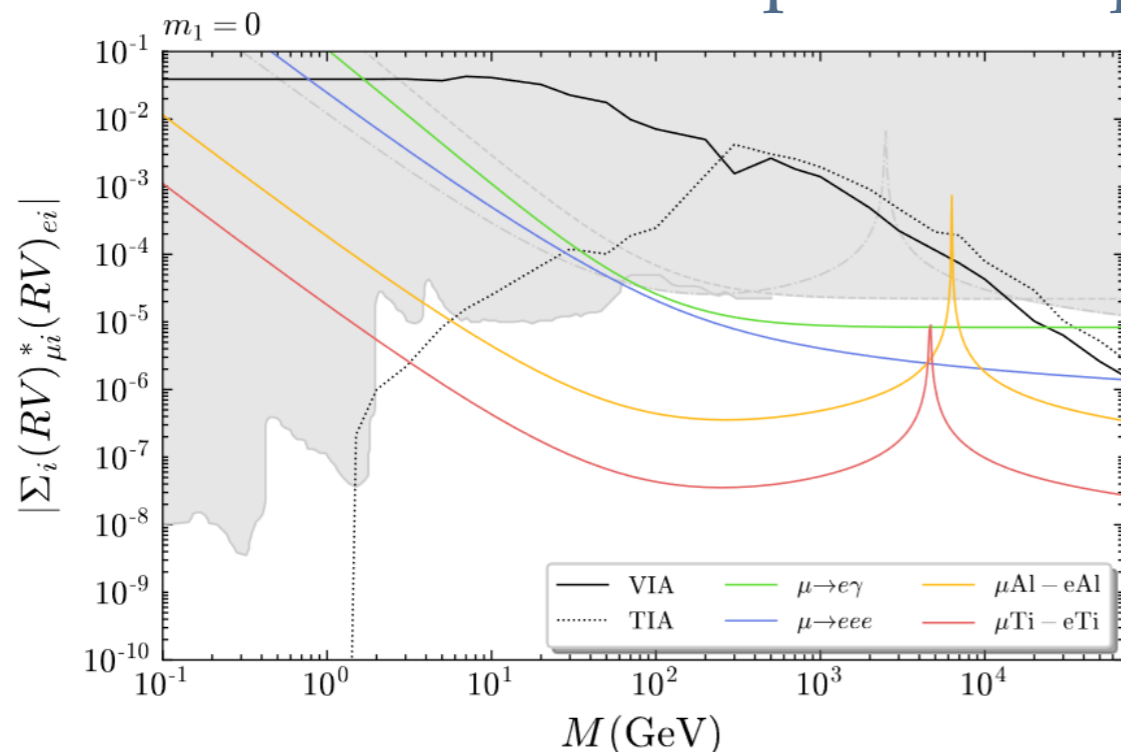
- A large number of indirect observables is sensitive to RH neutrinos
  - Includes  $\nu$ -oscillation data,  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay, EWPD, cLFV, lepton universality...
  - A (probably incomplete) list can e.g. be found in [Chrzaszcz et al 1908.02302](#)

- $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay is unique probe of LNV



- Expected in various models e.g. Rodejohann [1106.1334](#)
- Can help to probe leptogenesis [MaD/Eijima 1606.06221](#), [Hernandez et al 1606.06719](#), [Asaka et al 1606.06686](#)
- Promising experimental program (LEGEND, ...)

- cLFV will be most powerful probe [Granelli et al 2206.04342](#), [Calderon et al 2206.04540](#)



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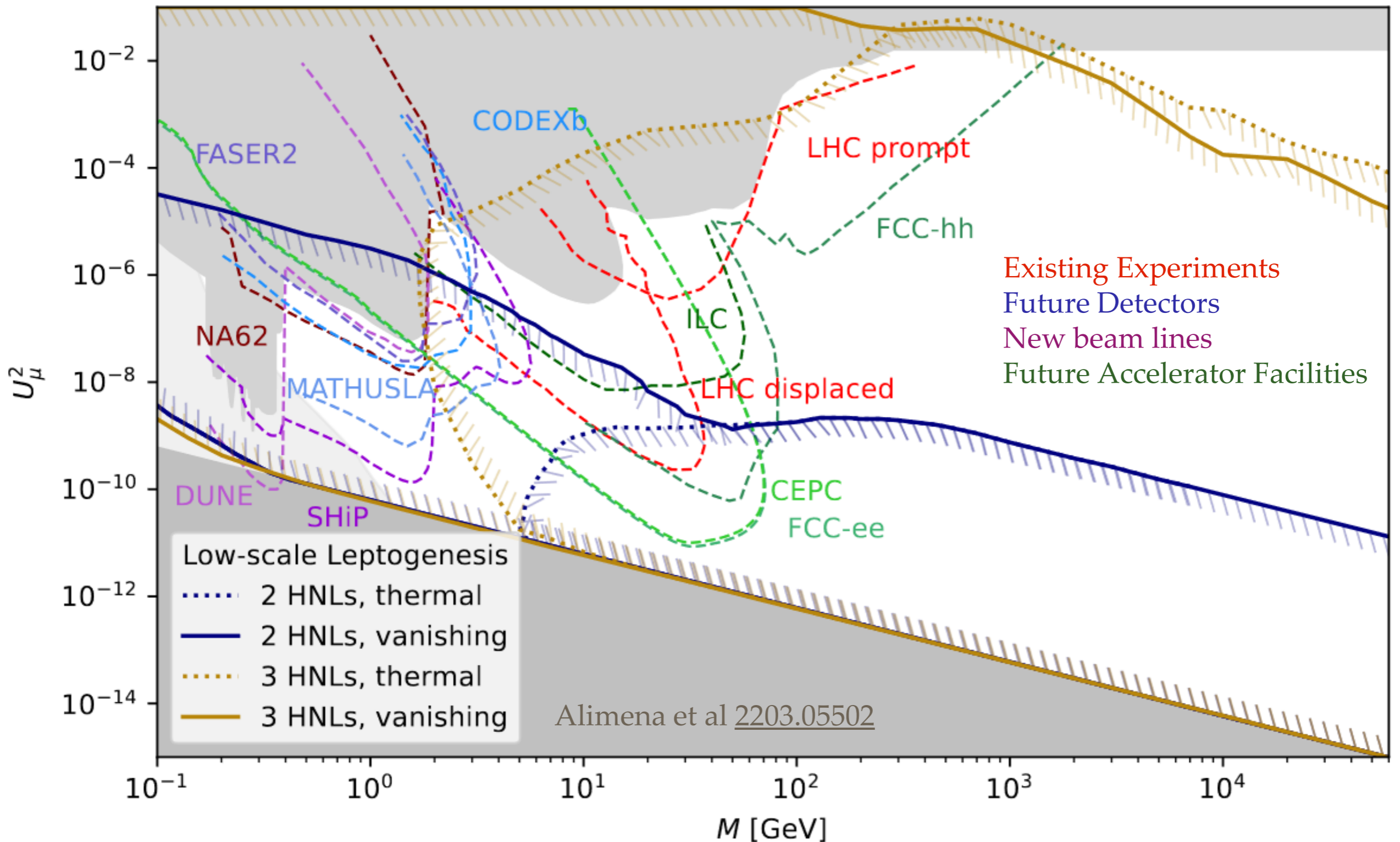
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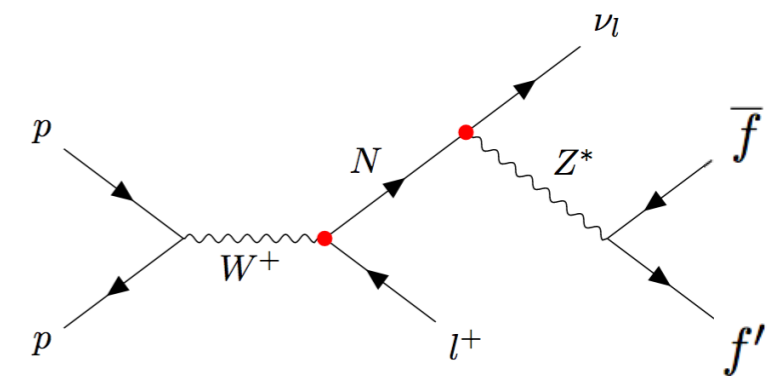
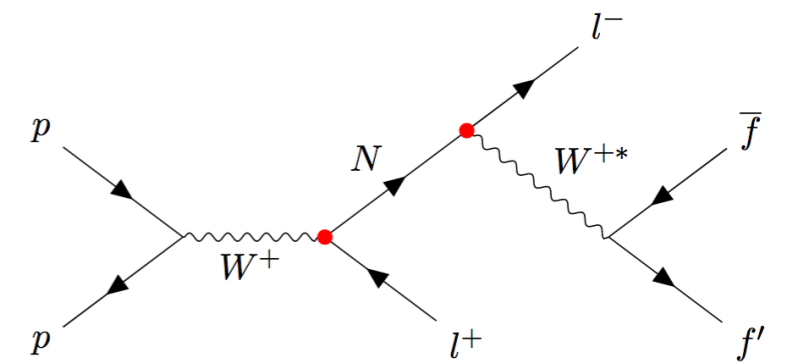
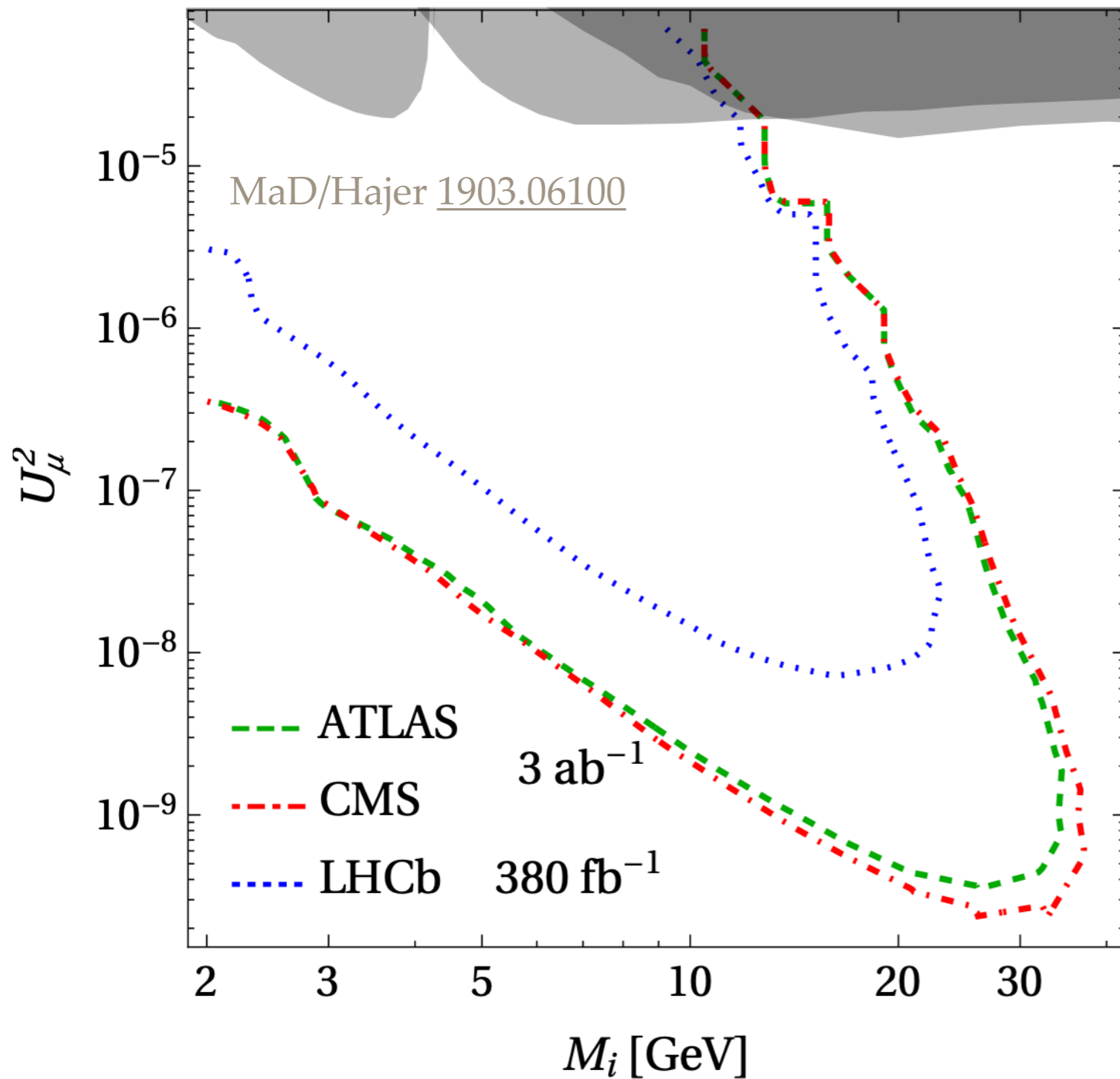
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# Some HNL Searches



# HL-LHC Displaced Vertex Search



- Many authors studied such processes e.g. Helo et al [1312.2900](#), Izaguirre/Shuve [1504.02470](#), Gago et al [1505.05880](#), Dib/Kim [1509.05981](#), Cottin et al [1806.05191](#), Abada et al [1807.10024](#), Boiarska et al [1902.04535](#), Liu et al [1904.01020](#), Dib et al [1903.04905](#), Cvetič et al [1805.00070](#), [1905.03097](#), ...
- Sensitivity can be increased with new instrumentation [FIPs report 2102.12143](#)

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# What can we learn?

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## Dirac vs Majorana

- **LNV vs LFV decay rates** e.g. Ibarra et al [1007.2378](#), Anamiati et al [1605.01123](#)
- **Angular distribution** e.g. Arbelaez et al [1712.08704](#), Balantekin/Gouvea/Kayser [1808.10518](#)
- **Flavour mixing pattern** e.g. Dib/Kim/Wang/Zhang [1605.01123](#)
- **Lifetime** e.g. Alimena et al [2203.05502](#)

## CP properties

e.g. Cvetič / Dib / Kim / Saa [1503.01358](#)

## Mass spectrum

e.g. Antusch / Fischer [1709.03797](#) e.g. Tastet / Timiryasov [1912.05520](#)

## Test seesaw mechanism and leptogenesis

Hernandez / Kekic / Lopez-Pavon / Racker / Savaldo [1606.06719](#),

MaD / Garbrecht / Gueter / Klaric [1609.09069](#)

Antusch/Cazzato/MaD/Fischer/Garbrecht/Gueter/Klaric [1710.03744](#)



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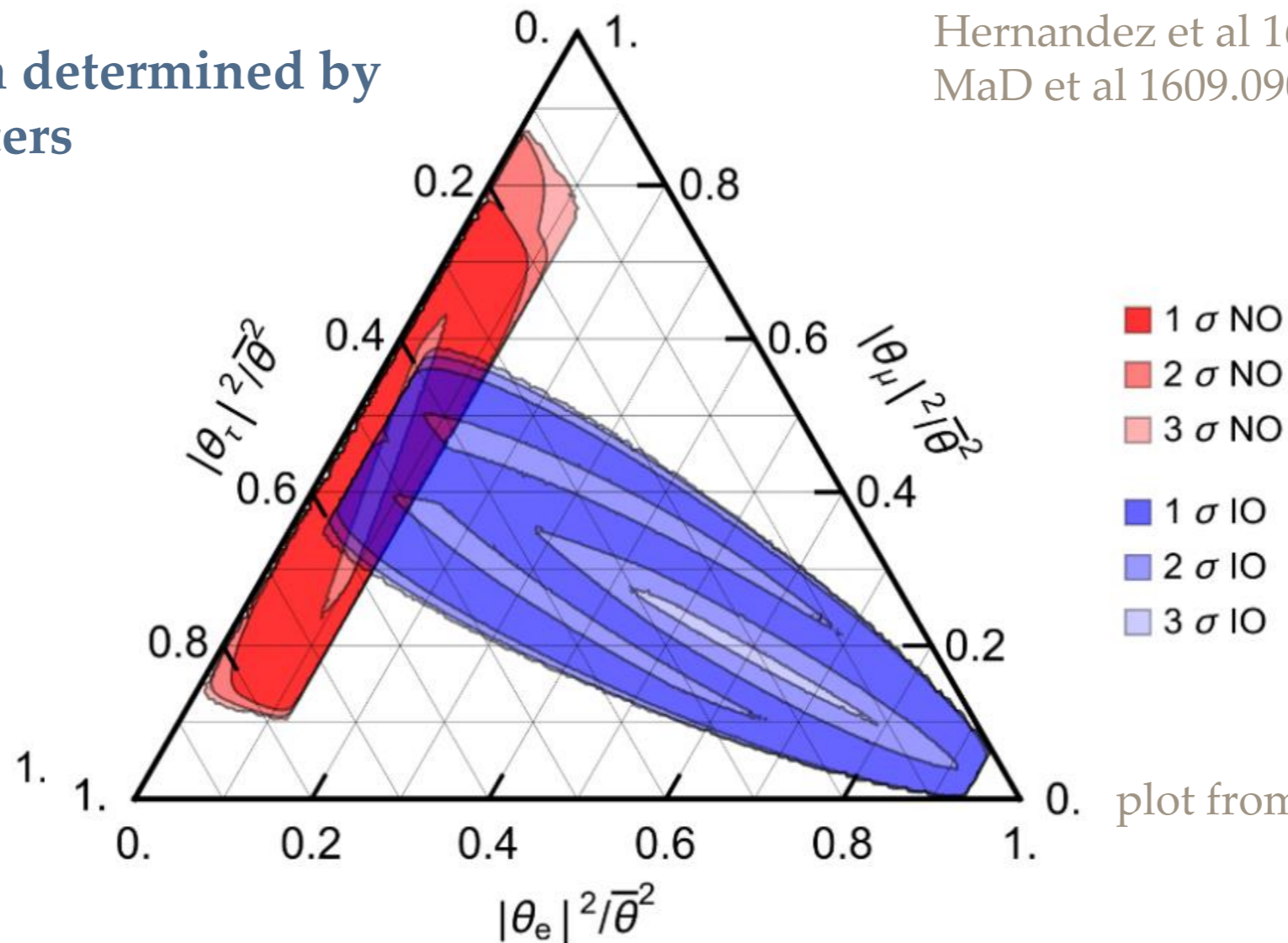
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# Flavour Mixing Pattern from $\nu$ -Oscillation Data in the $\nu$ MSSM

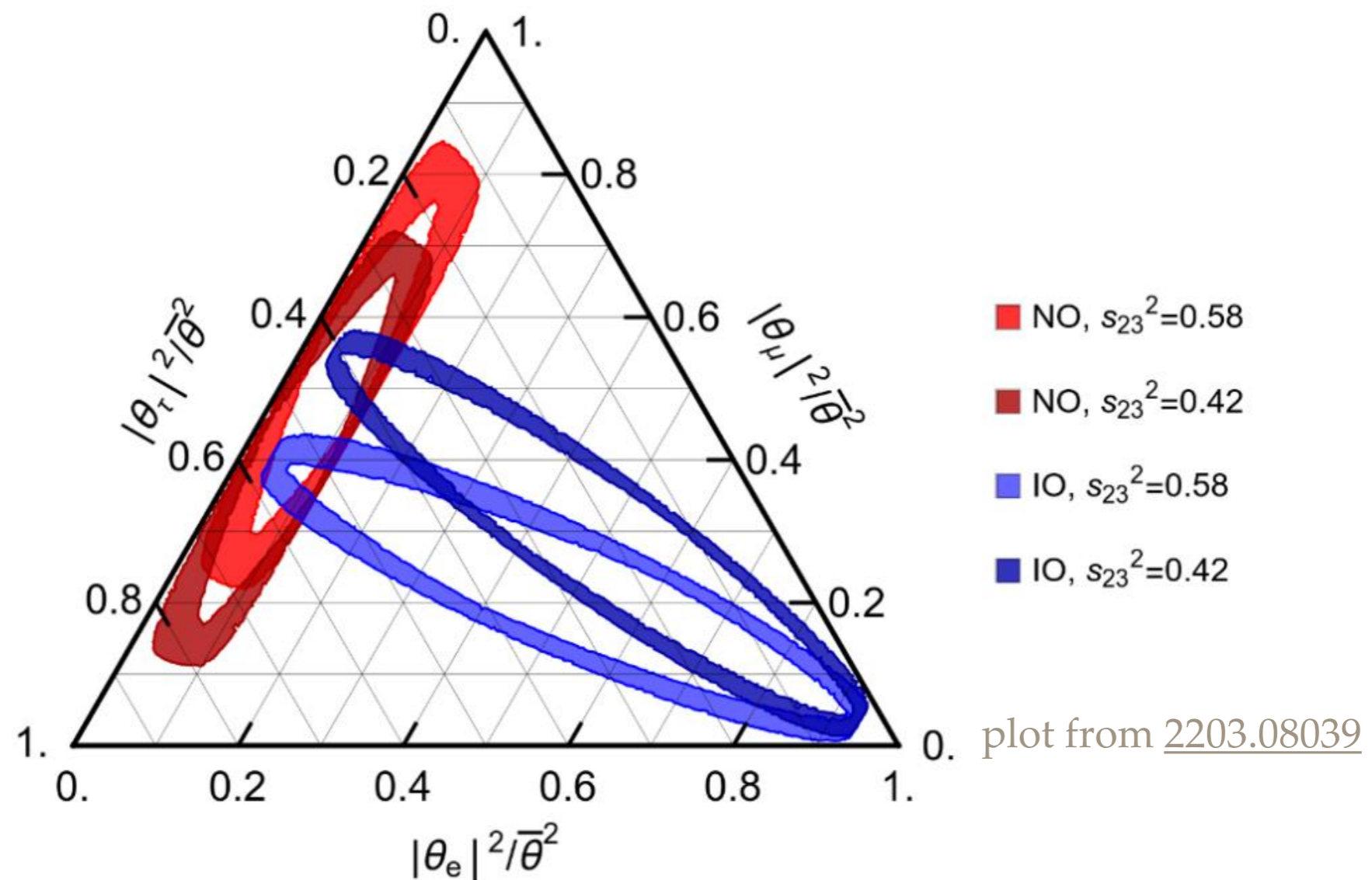
- If RH neutrinos generate light neutrino masses, requirement to reproduce neutrino oscillation data constrains their properties
- In particular: relative size of mixings with individual SM flavours
- Determines branching ratio in their decays into SM flavours

Allowed region determined by PMNS parameters



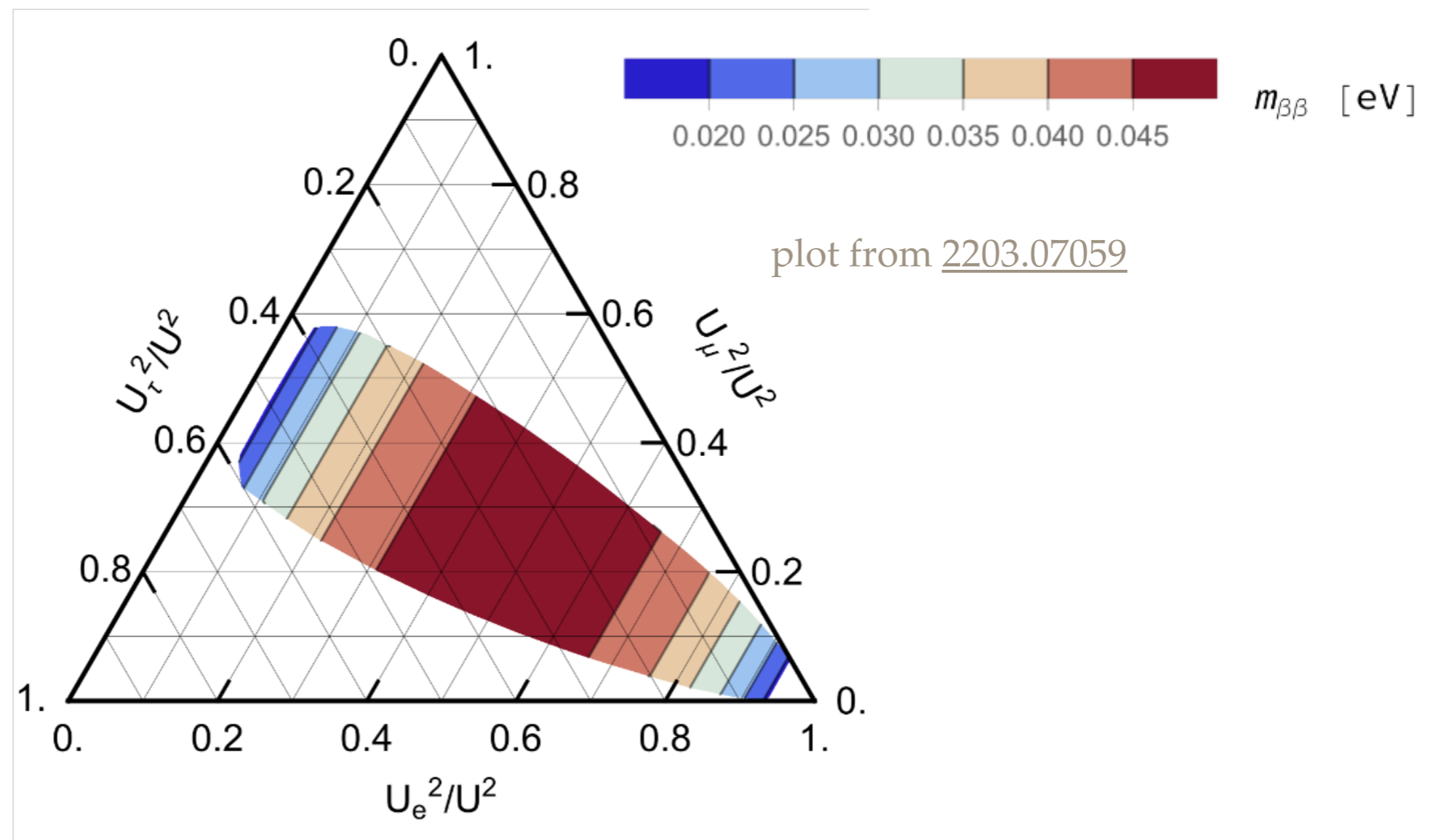
# Forecast with DUNE

- The allowed region is determined by PMNS parameters
- Will improve a lot with DUNE, HyperK etc...
- can access Majorana phase  $\alpha$ ! MaD et al [1609.09069](#) Caputo et al [1611.05000](#)

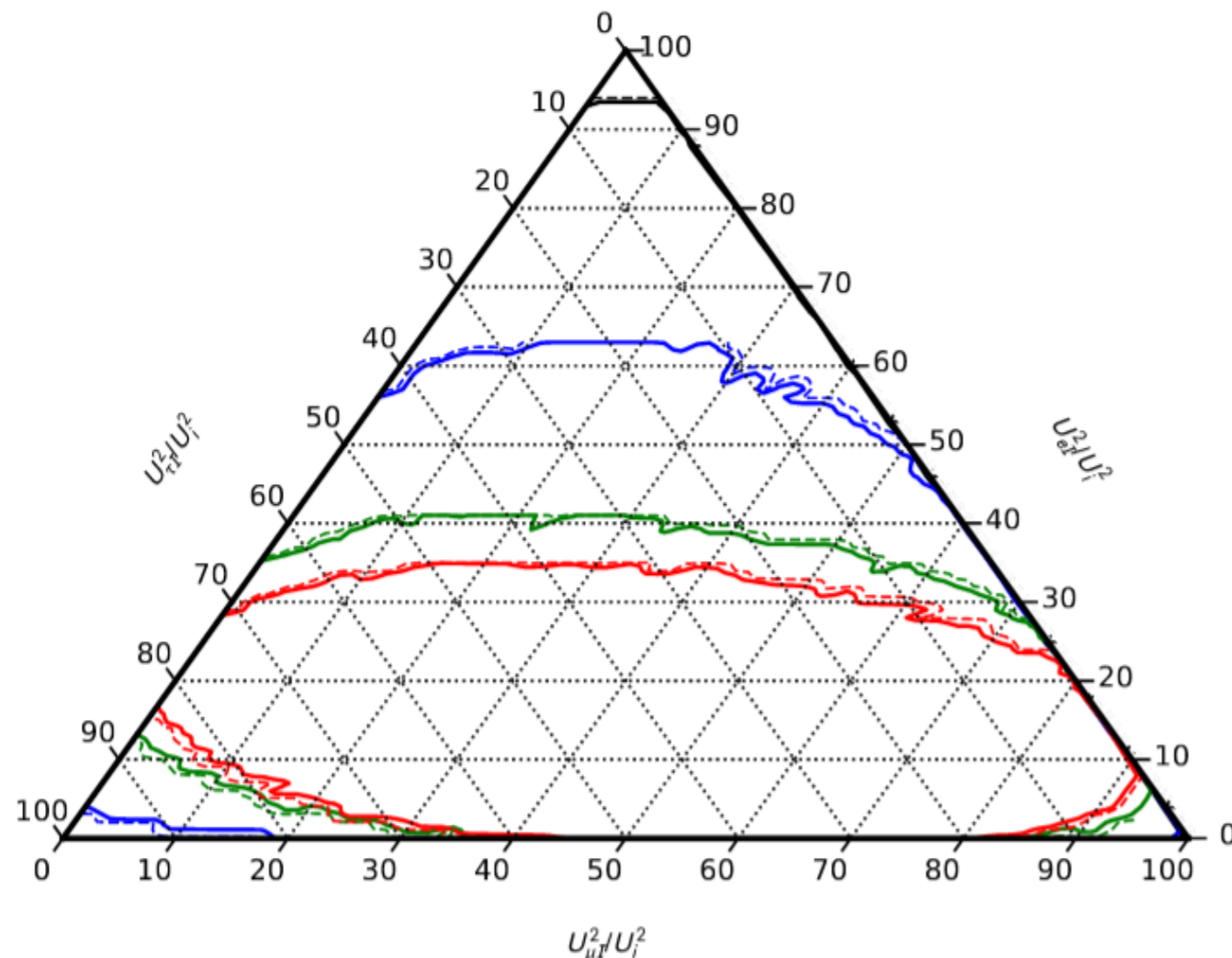


# Connection to Neutrinoless Double $\beta$ Decay

- Knowledge of PMNS parameters permits to predict  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay
  - If RH neutrinos play a role: sensitivity to phase in RH neutrino sector
- Hernandez et al 1606.06719, MaD/Eijima 1606.06221



# Flavour Mixing Pattern with 3 Heavy Neutrinos



$$m_{\text{lightest}} < 10 \text{ meV}$$

$$m_{\text{lightest}} < 1 \text{ meV}$$

$$m_{\text{lightest}} < 0.1 \text{ meV}$$

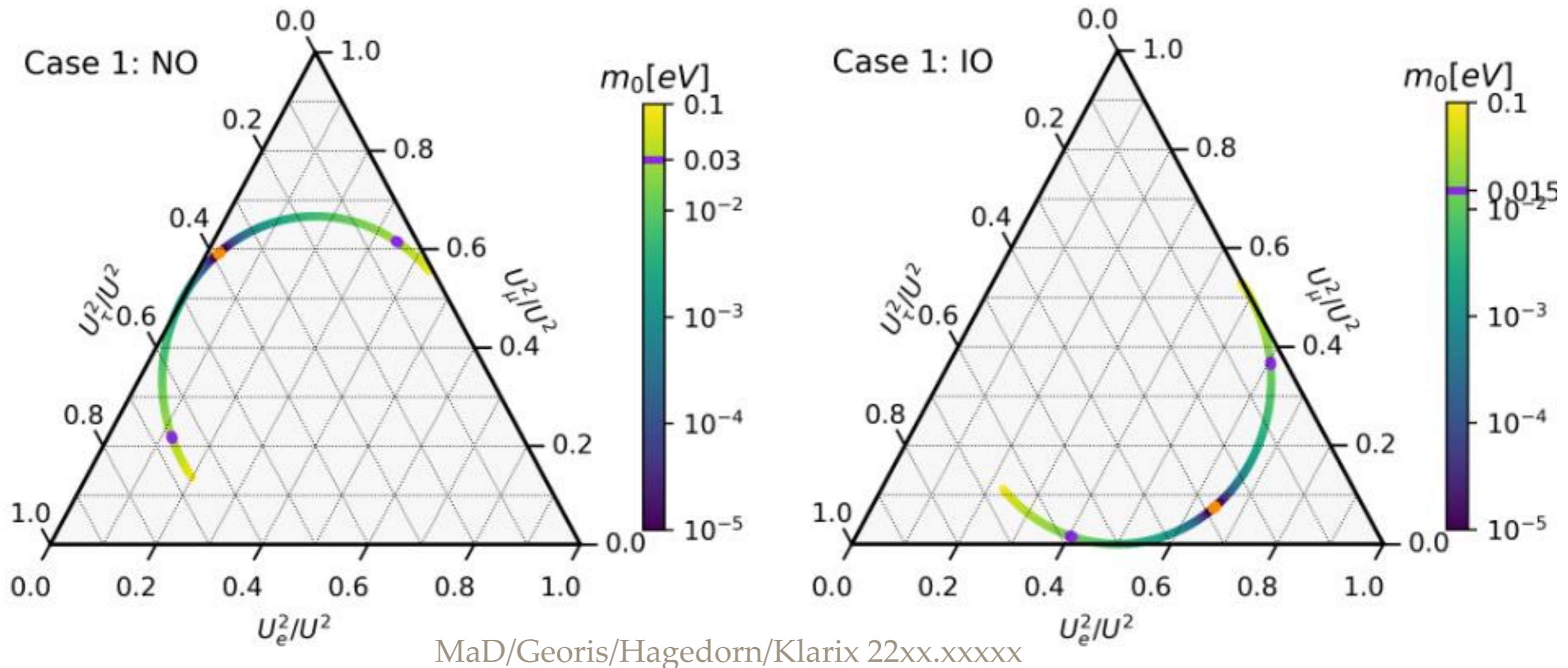
$$m_{\text{lightest}} < 0.01 \text{ meV}$$

normal ordering

Chrzaszcz et al [1908.02302](#)

- For three HNLs the allowed flavour mixing pattern depends on the lightest neutrino mass

# Flavour Mixing Pattern with Discrete Symmetries



- With discrete flavour and CP symmetries: Mixing pattern very predictive

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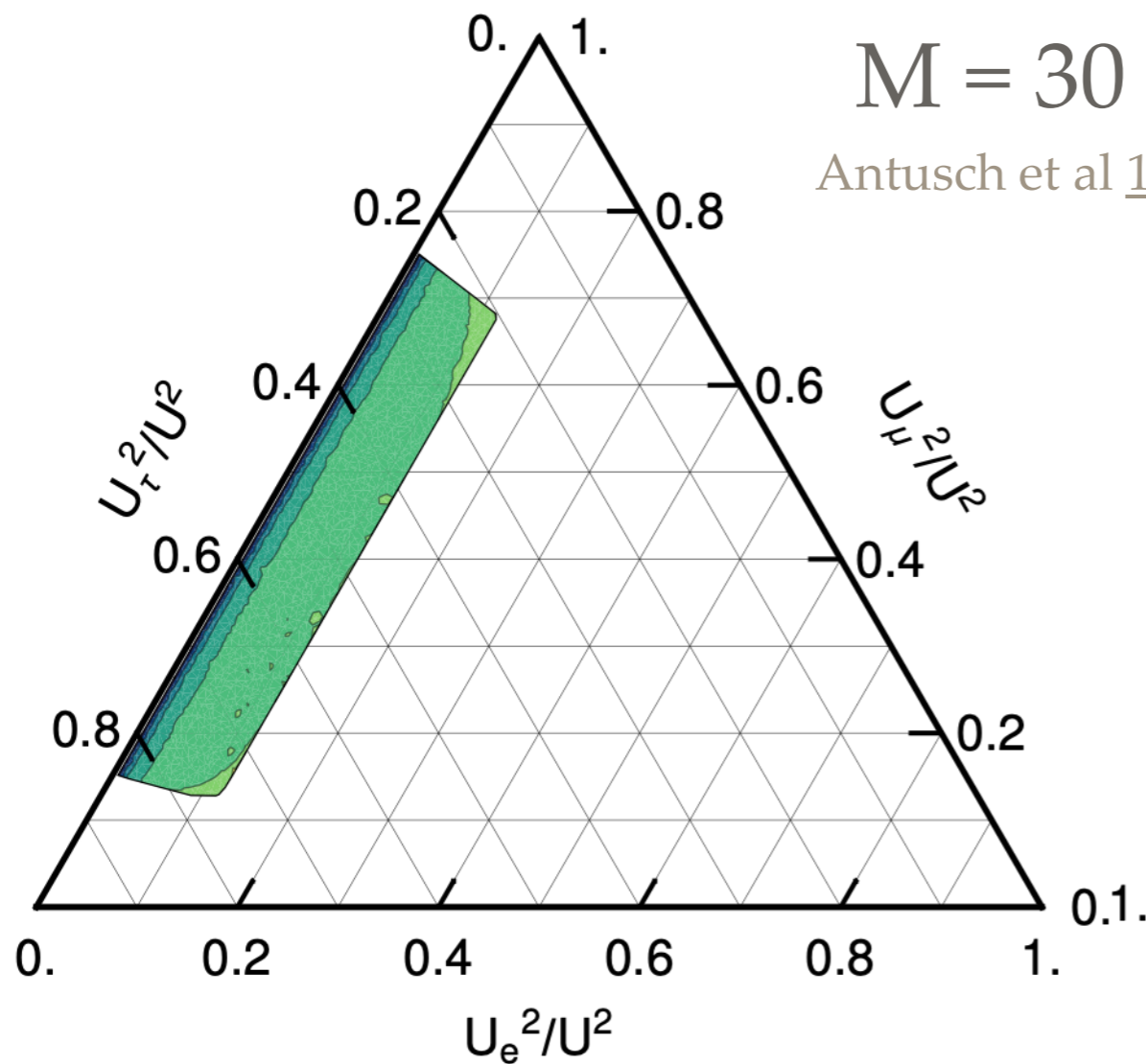
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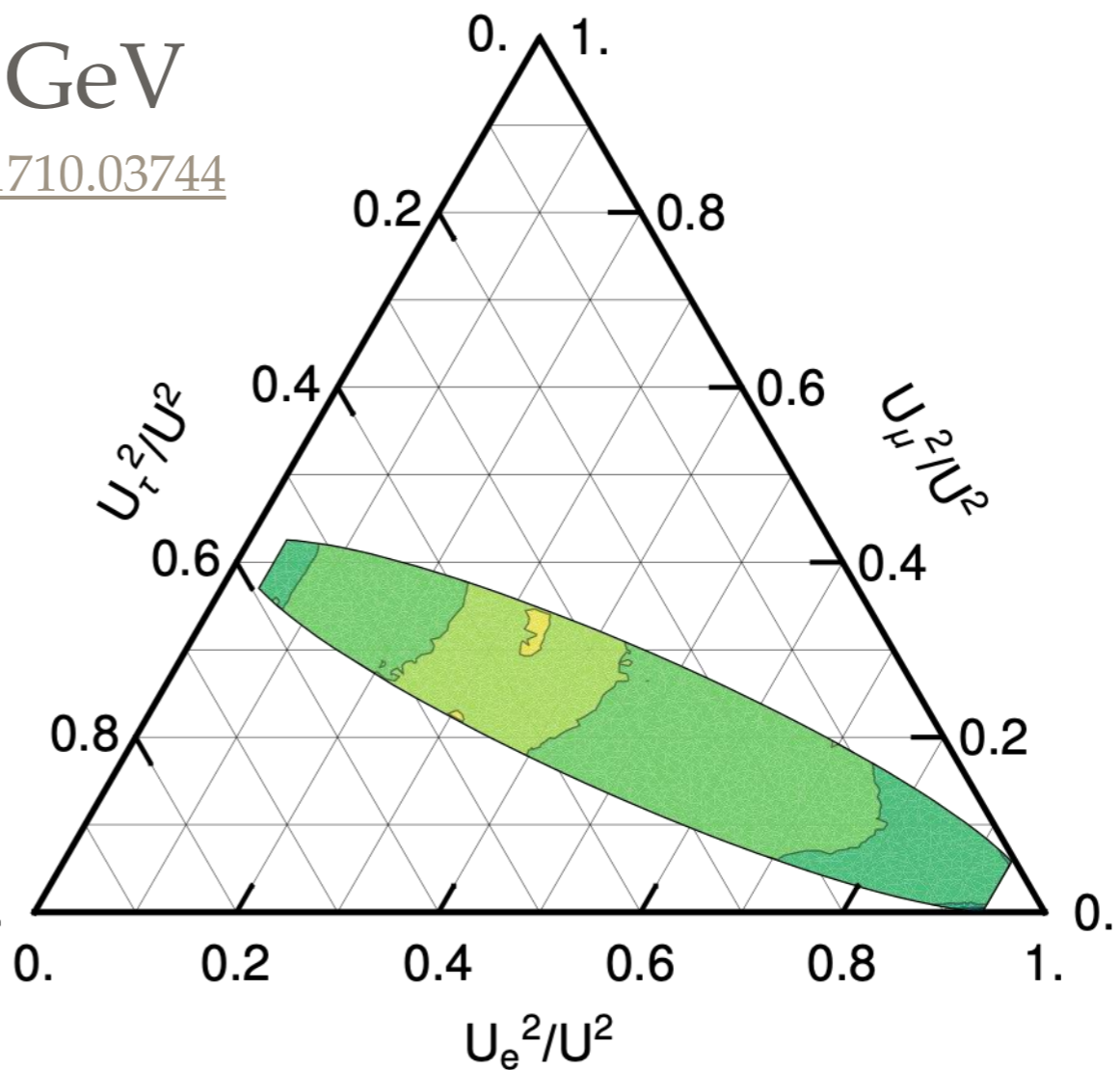
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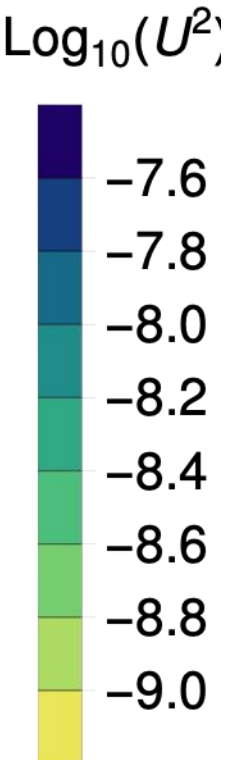
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normal neutrino mass ordering



inverted neutrino mass ordering



- Two HNLs: Large  $U^2$  require strong hierarchies amongst couplings to SM generations... leptogenesis predicts flavor mixing pattern
- Three HNLs: no similar predictivity... let's understand the difference!

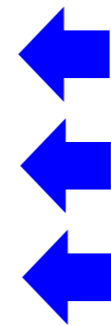


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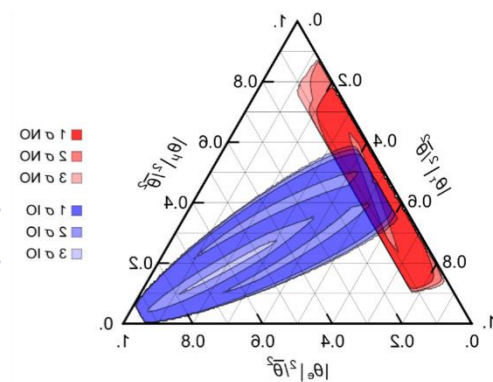
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**$\nu$  oscillation  
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- For large  $U^2$ ,  $\nu_{Rs}$  comes into equilibrium quickly, deviation from equilibrium necessary for baryogenesis comes from  $\nu_{Rw}$
- For  $T \sim M$  both states become “strongly” coupled (LNV rates)
- Only way to prevent washout: Have one SM flavour feebly coupled

**Structure in sterile flavours enforces hierarchy in SM flavour!**

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**$\nu$  oscillation data constrains structure in SM flavours**



**B-L symmetry dictates structure in sterile flavours**

# Leptogenesis with “Mass Communism”

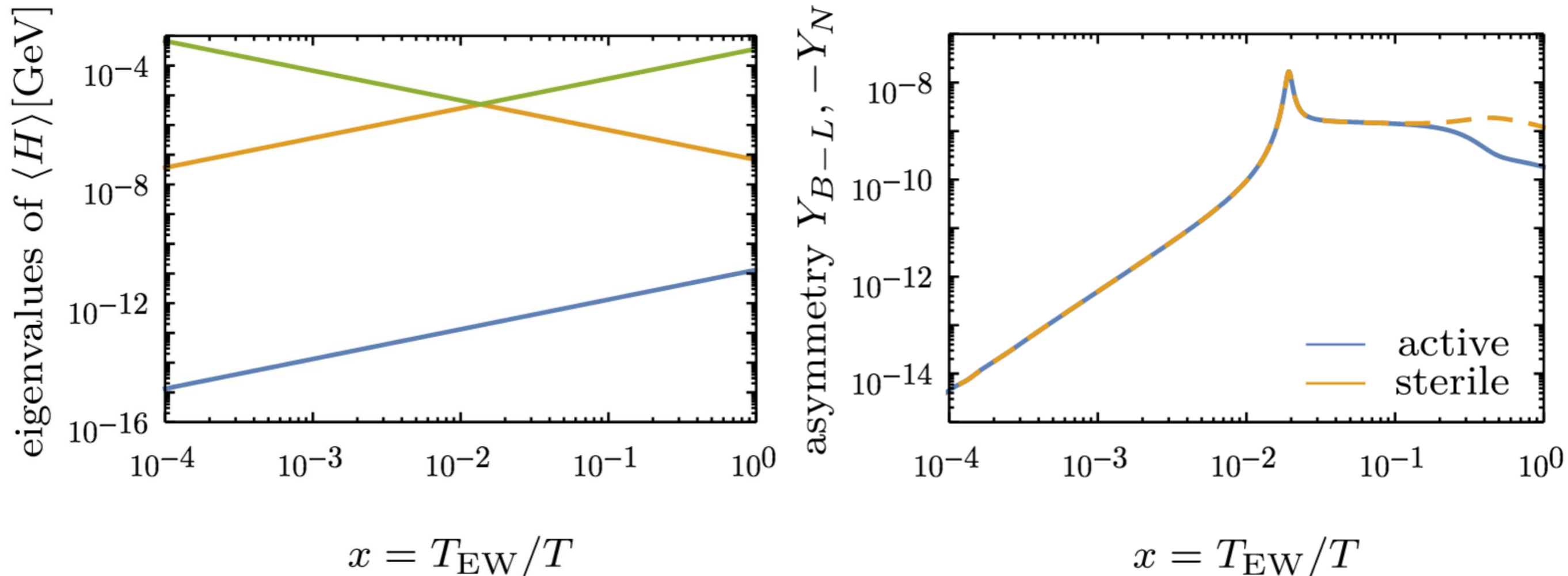
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- Third state  $\nu_{R3}$  is free of the constraints that relates  $\nu_{R3}$  and  $\nu_{Rw}$
- It can maintain deviation from equilibrium even when LNV rates come into equilibrium
- Can avoid washout even for large couplings of pseudo-Dirac pair
- No need for a hierarchy in SM flavour couplings to prevent washout!

# Dynamical Generation of Resonance



Abada et al [1810.12463](#)

- level crossing between the quasiparticle dispersion relations in the plasma (“thermal masses”) can dynamically generate a resonance
- Strong enhancement of the asymmetry with only moderate degeneracy in the vacuum masses, similar to MSW resonance in the sun

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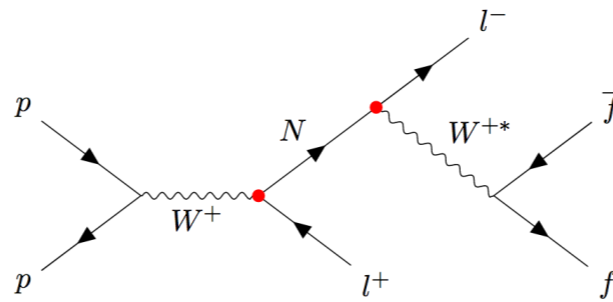
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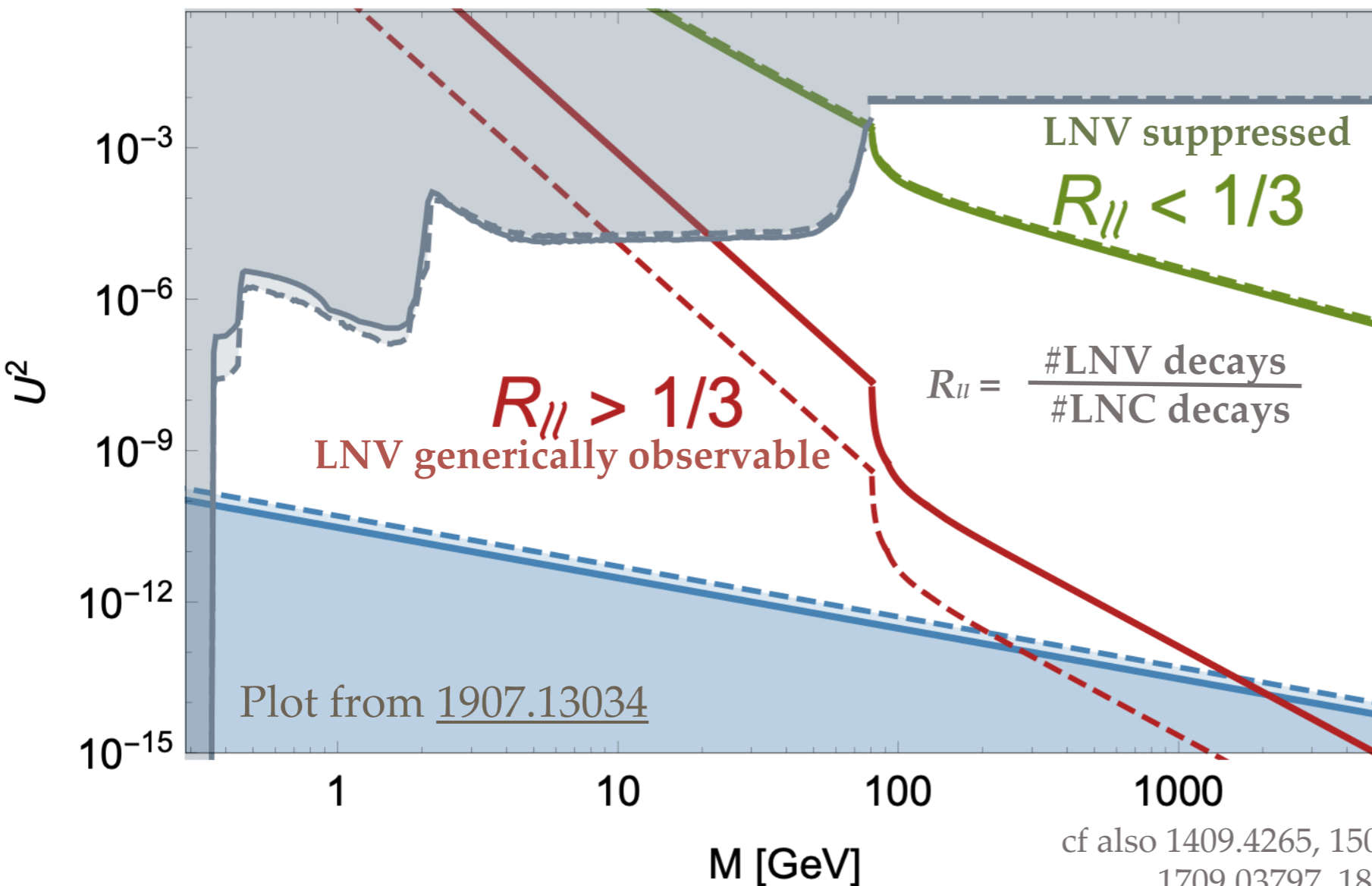
# Majorana nature of HNLs: Can LNV decay be observed?

**B-L symmetry: destructive interference amongst contributions from different HNL flavour**



(a) Charged current decay

**But: B-L is broken to generate neutrino mass.  
Is this enough???**



**HNL oscillations  
destroy coherence and  
make LNV observable!**

Anamiati et al [1607.05641](#)

$$\mathcal{R}_{ll} = \frac{\Delta M_{\text{phys}}^2}{2\Gamma_N^2 + \Delta M_{\text{phys}}^2}$$

**Does neutrino osc. data  
allow for this without  
fine tuning? It depends**

MaD/Klaric/Klose [1907.13034](#)

cf also [1409.4265](#), [1505.04749](#), [1605.01123](#), [1709.06553](#), [1703.01934](#),  
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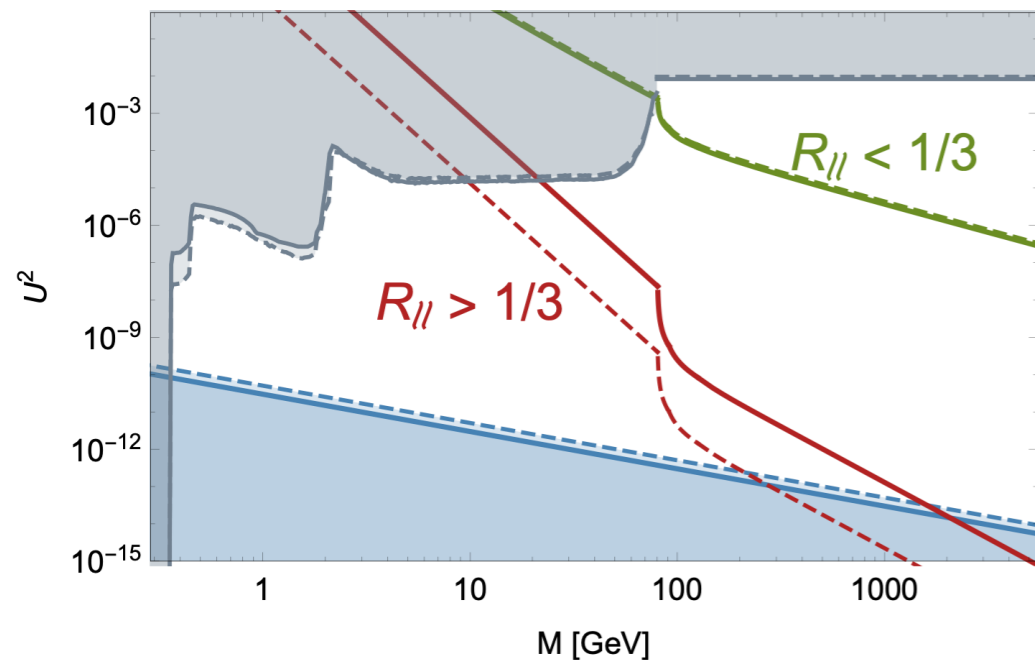
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ratio of LNV to LNC decays  
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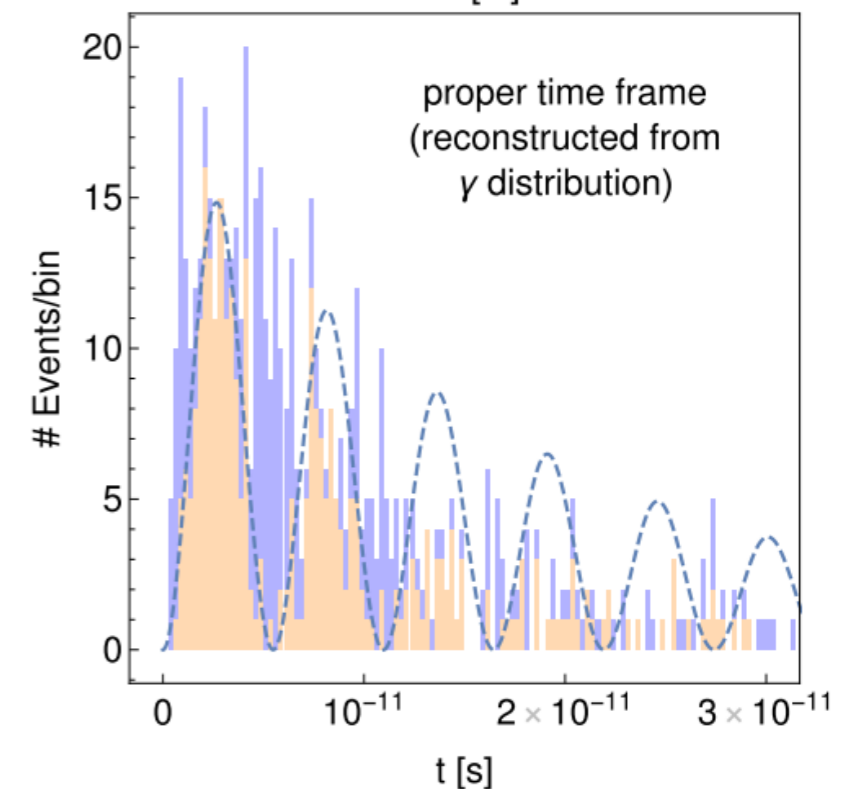
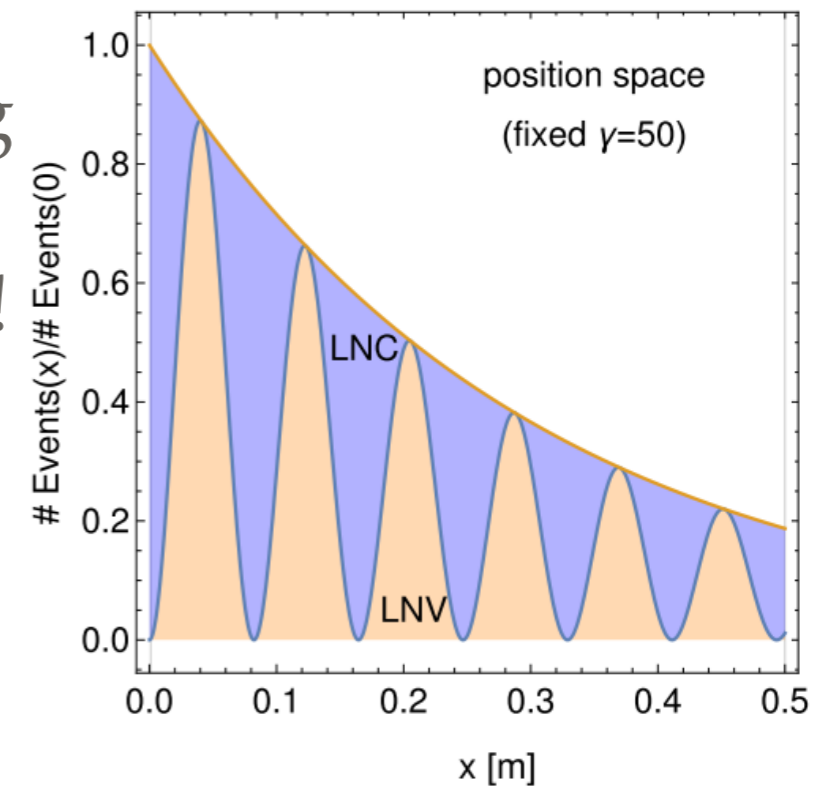
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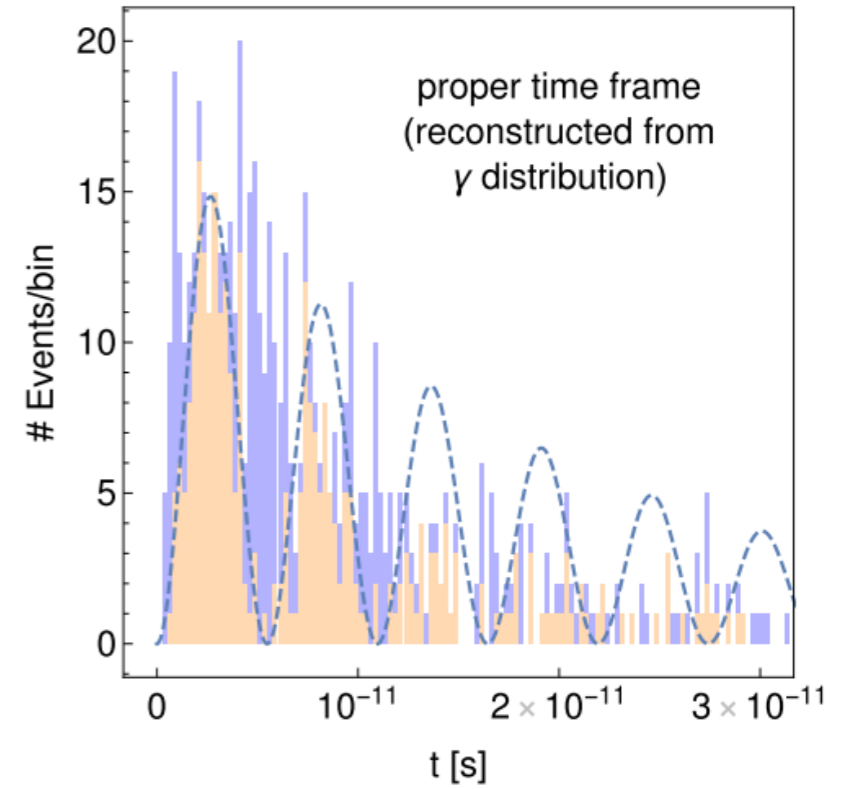
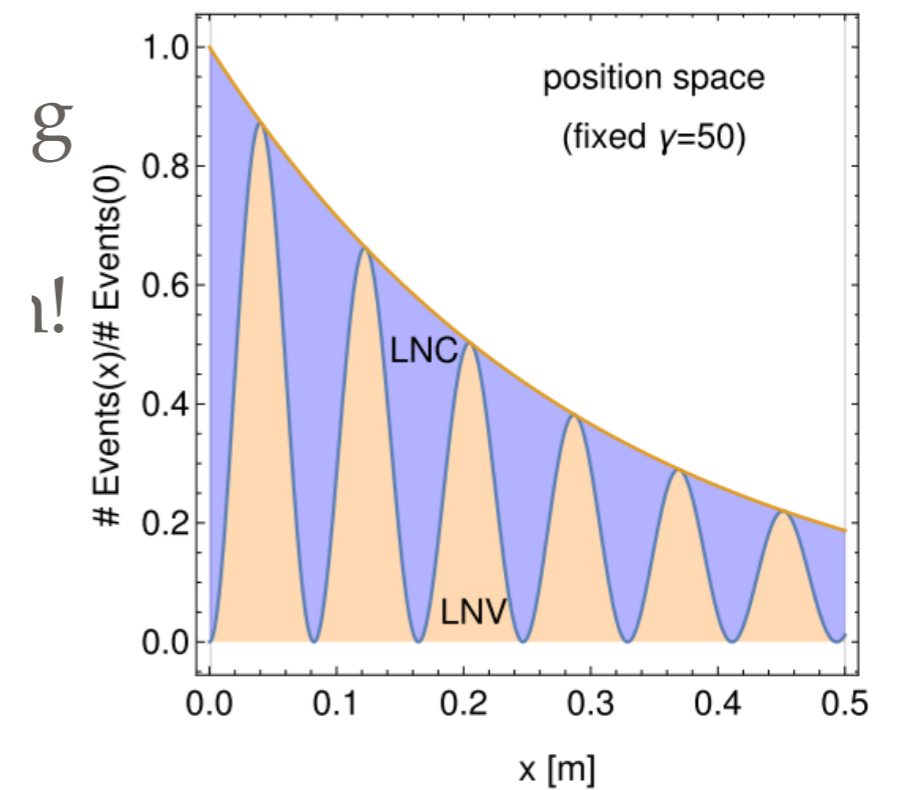
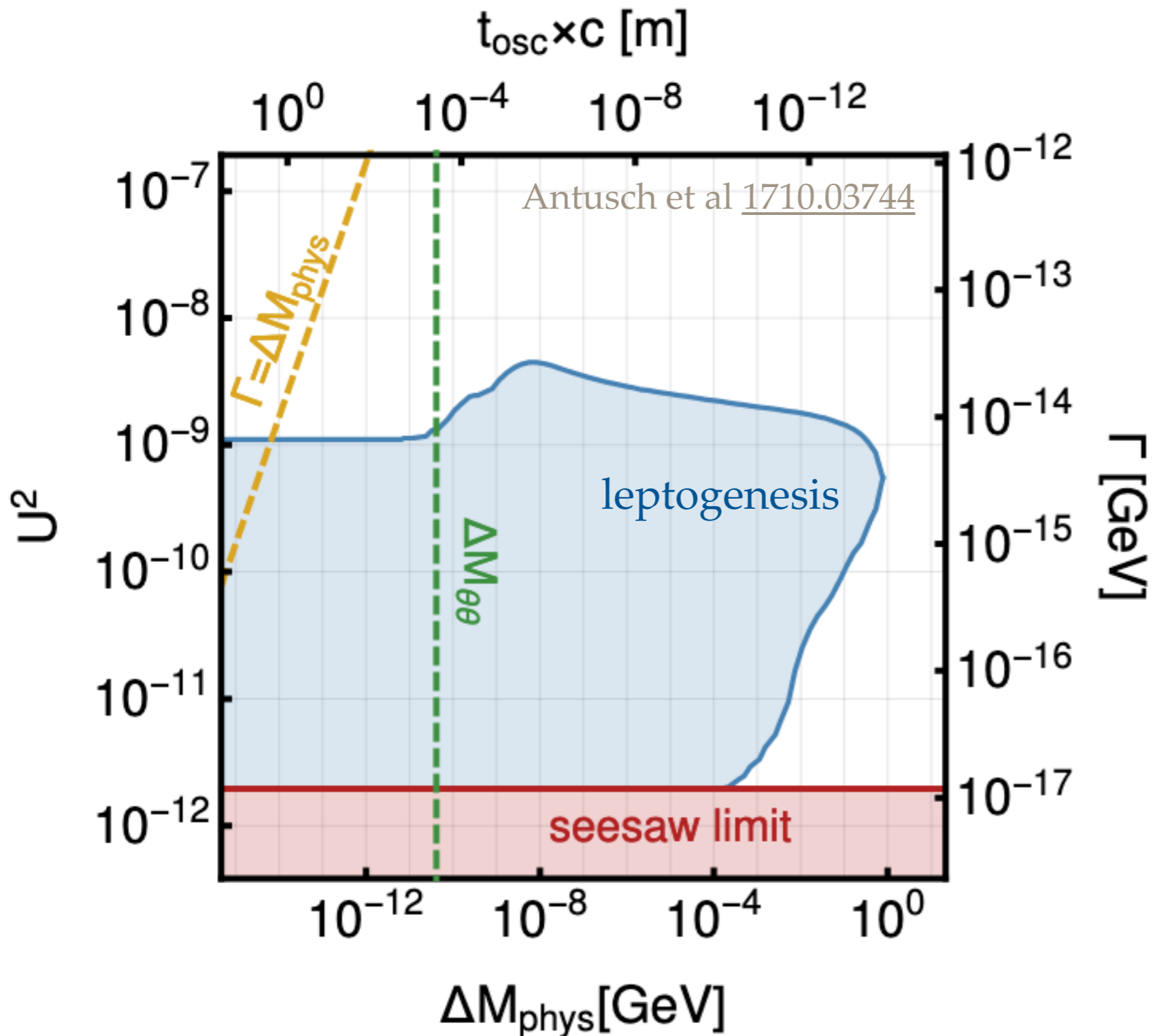
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spatially resolving  
this ratio gives  
more information!

Antusch et al [1709.03797](#)



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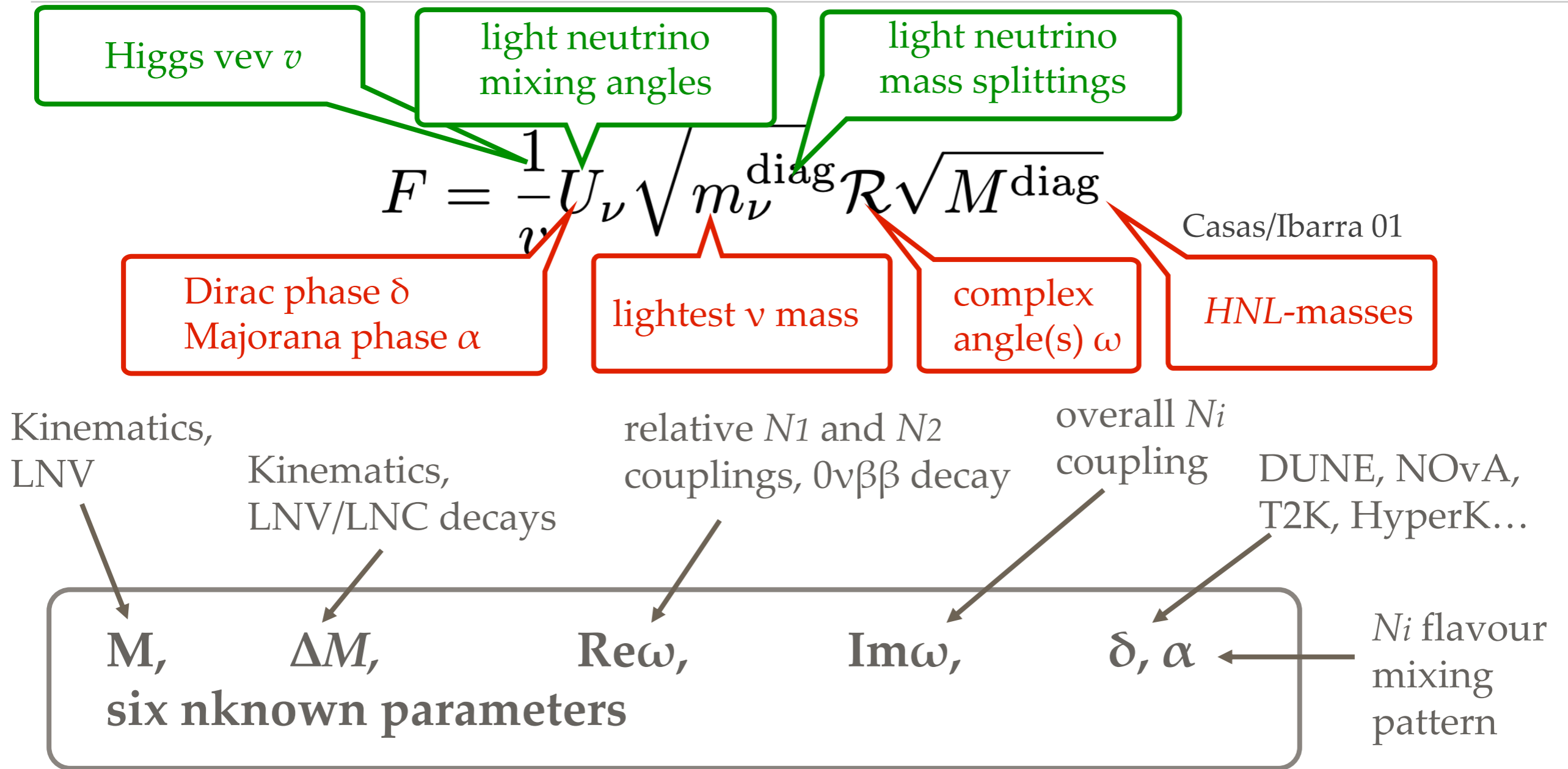
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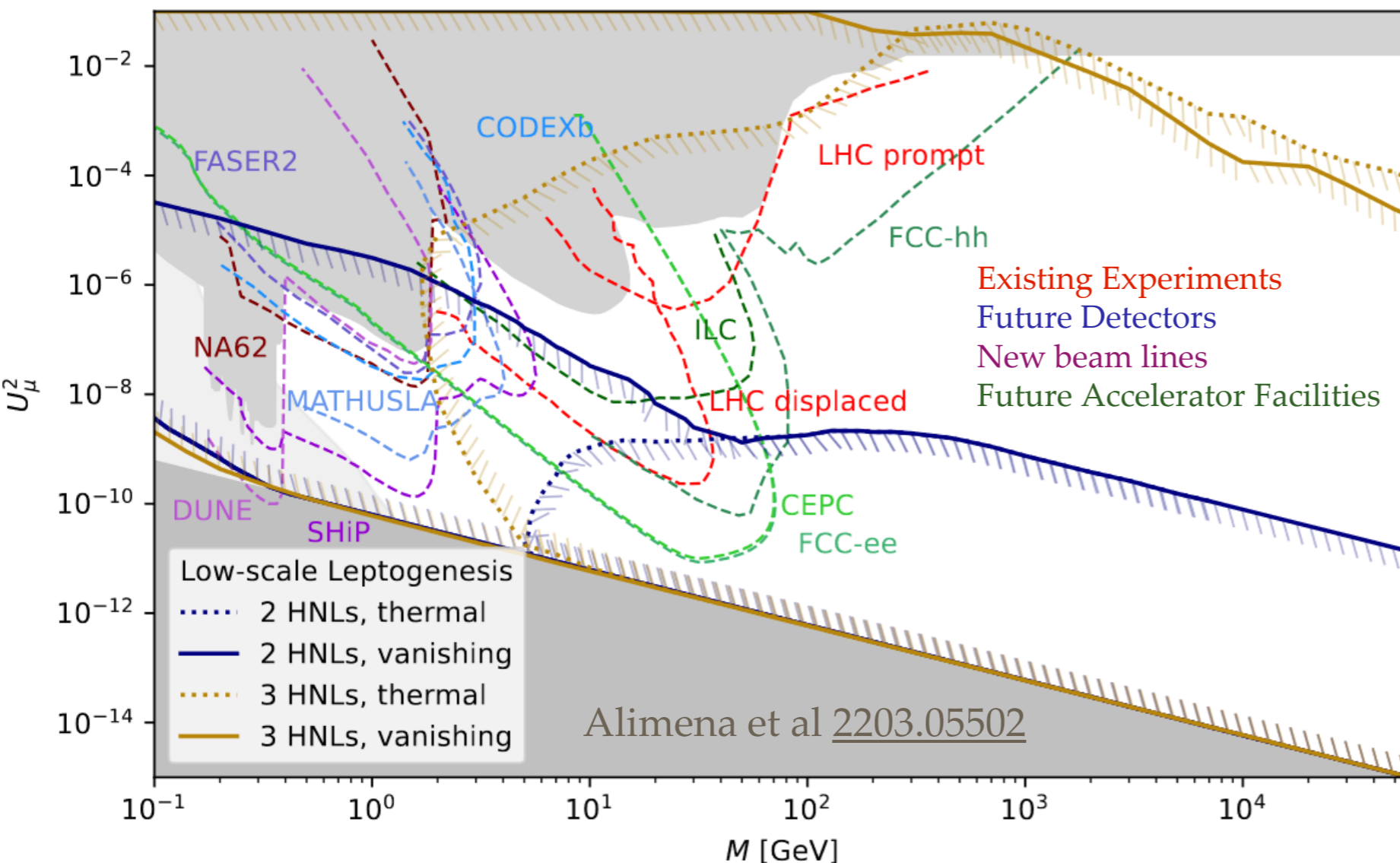
# Full Testability



For 2 HNLs in principle all model parameters can be constrained, making this a fully testable model of leptogenesis and neutrino mass!

# Summary

- Leptogenesis in type I seesaw based scenarios is possible for almost any Majorana mass roughly above the pion mass
- Various experiments can find the heavy neutrinos and study their properties (mass, lifetime, flavour mixing pattern, CPV, LNV, ...)
- Complementarity of energy, intensity and cosmic frontiers clue to testability



- Minimal model with two heavy neutrinos fully testable
- Model with three heavy neutrinos has higher chance of discovery, but more parameters...
- ...but adding flavour and CP symmetries increases predictivity

# Testability through complementarity - A Multi Frontier Problem!

Indirect probes at accelerators  
rare decays, EWPD,  
lepton universality)

new detectors  
(FASER, Codex-b,  
MATHUSLA, A13X,  
ANUBIS

Collider searches for heavy neutrinos

absolute neutrino mass  
searches (KATRIN ect.)

X-ray: SRG/eROSITA, SRG/ART-XC,  
ATHNEA, XRISM, Lynx...

non-accelerator  
searches  
(TRISTAN...)

CMB and LSS :  
absolute neutrino mass

neutrinoless  
double  $\beta$  decay

astrophysics:  
supernovae etc.

fixed target experiments  
(SHiP, NA62, DUNE,  
T2K..)

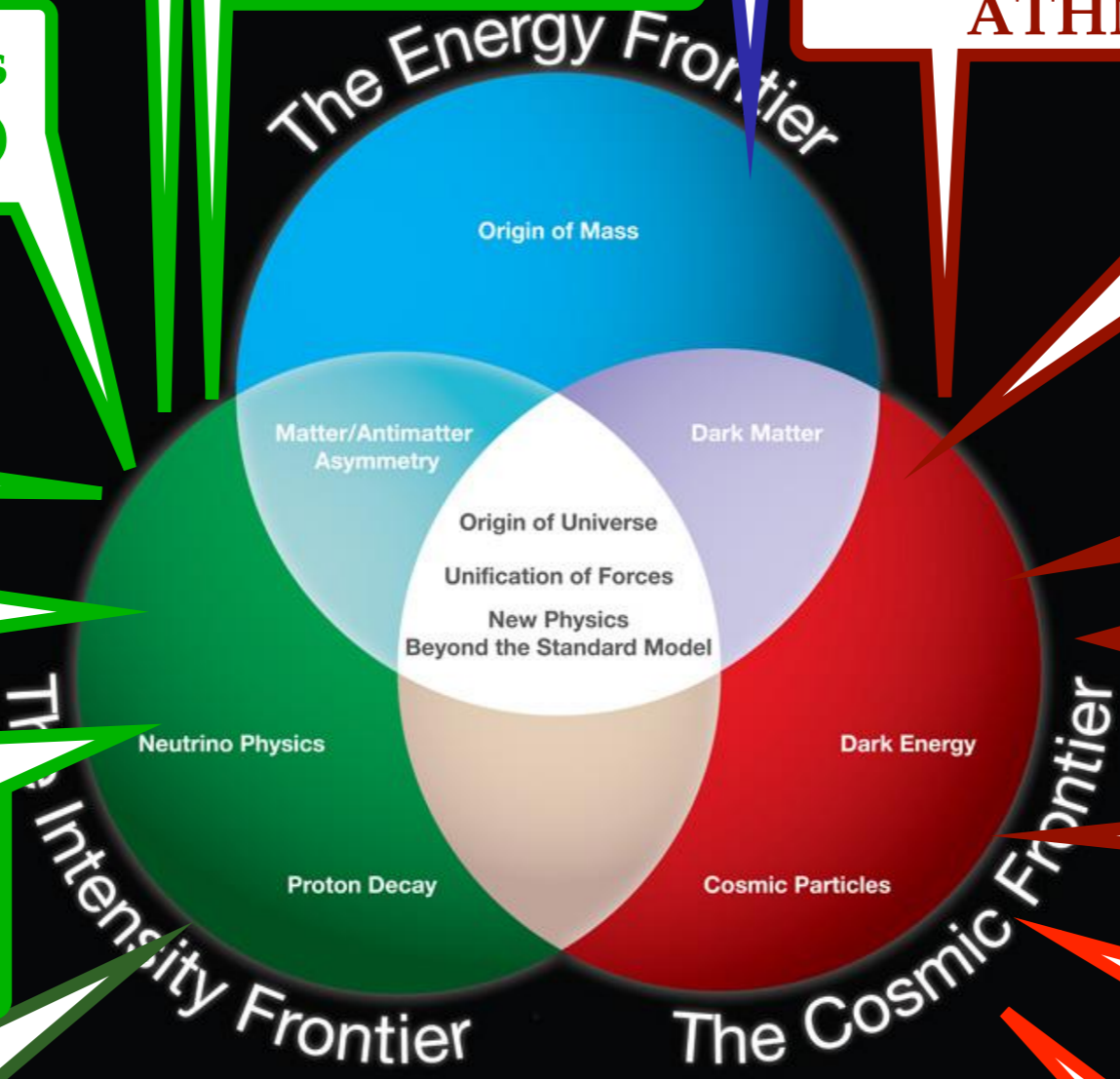
Structure formation:  
simulation, observation

neutrino oscillation  
experiments  
DUNE, Hyper-K

IGM temperature:  
WDM vs CDM

Theory: leptogenesis  
parameter region

Theory: Sterile neutrino  
DM production

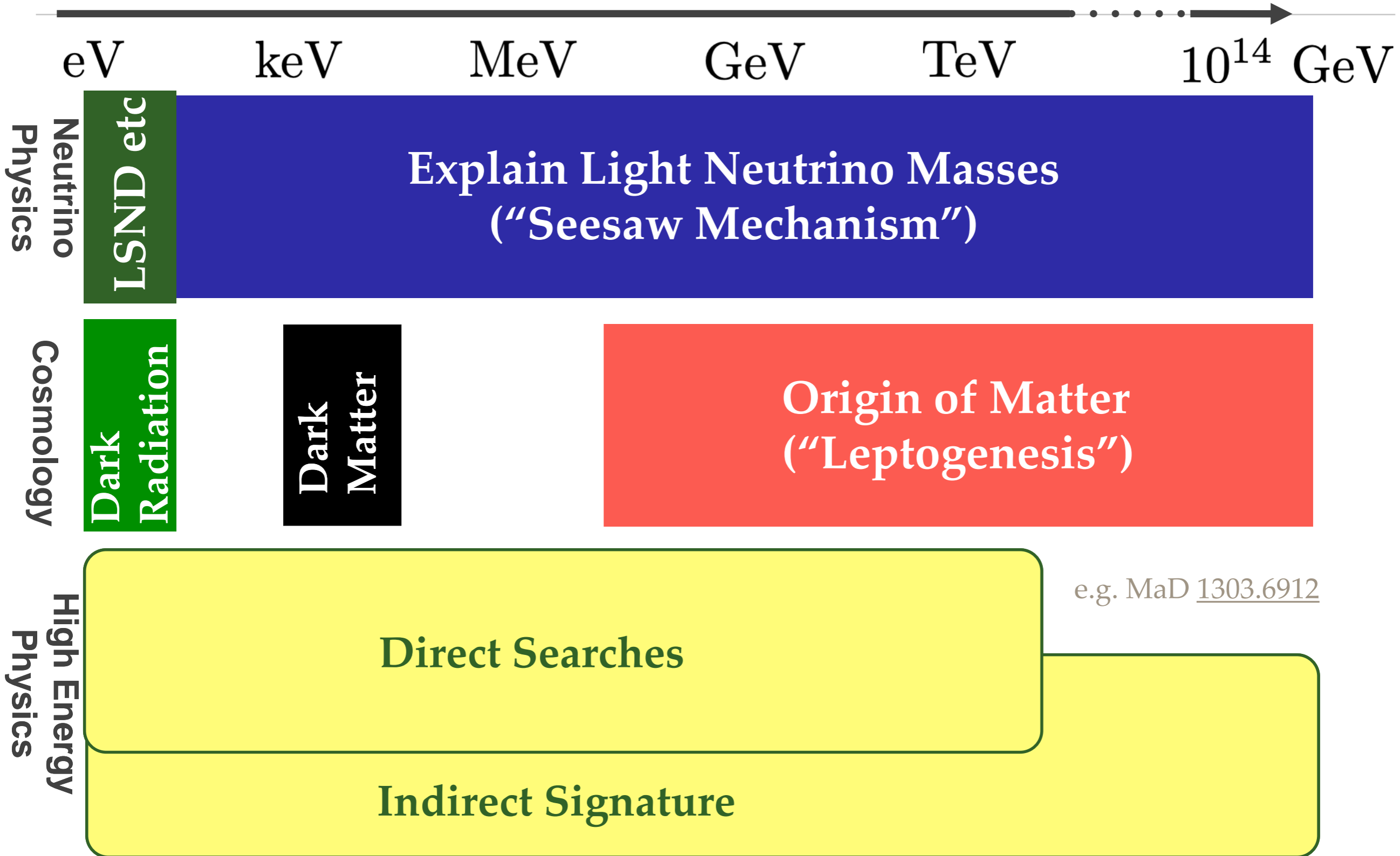


RF, NF, EF, CF, TF

# Backup Slides

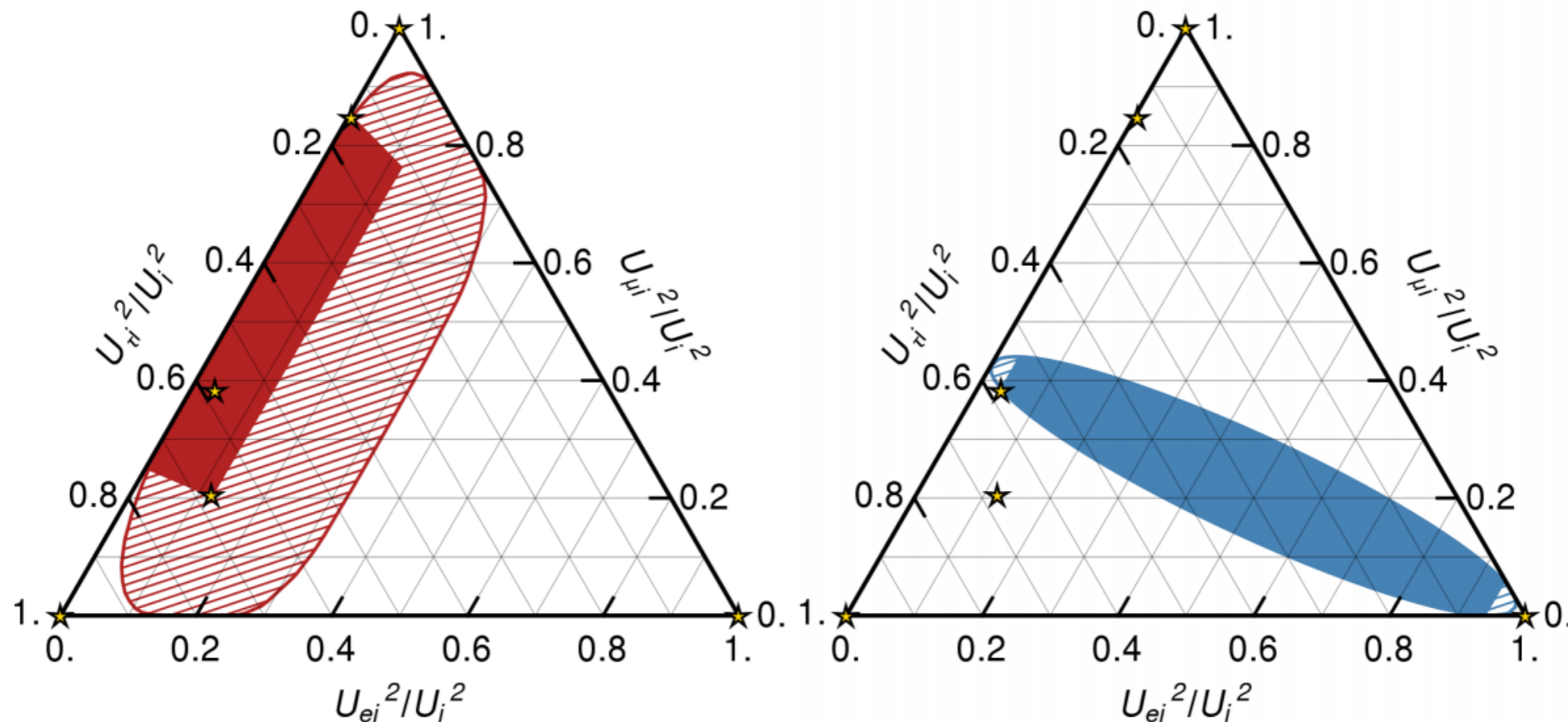


# Heavy Neutrino Mass Scale



# Most Minimal Scenario (2HNL)

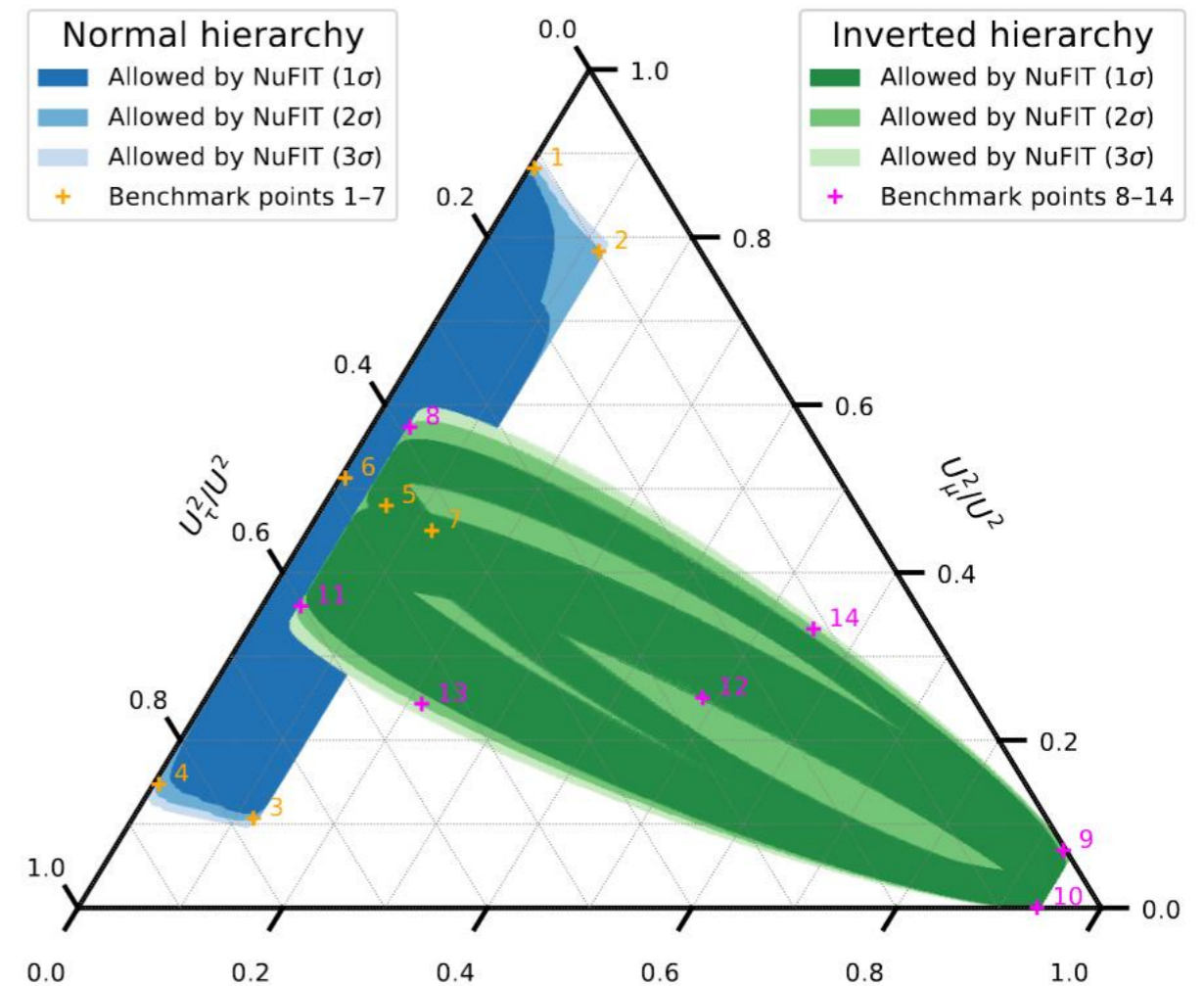
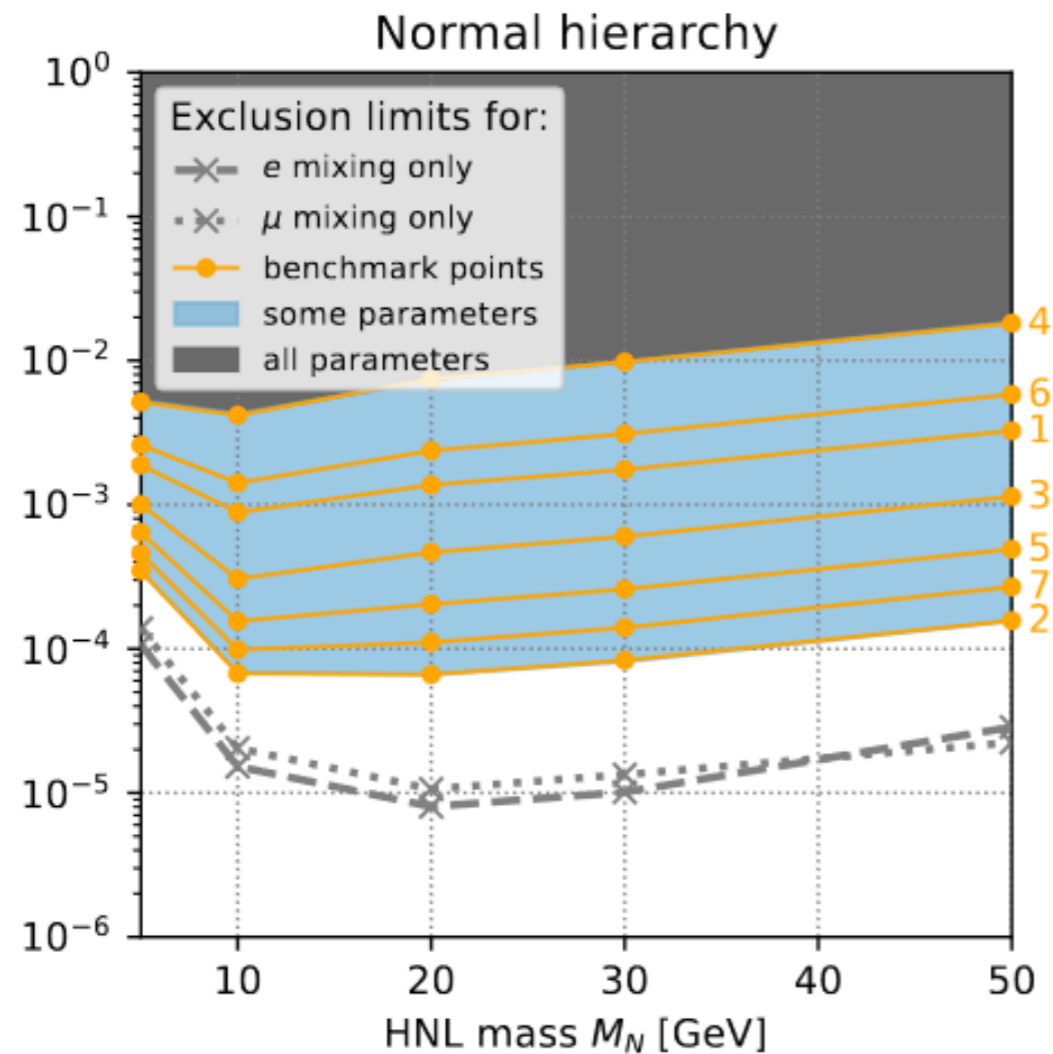
- This minimal scenario is very predictive
- In particular, the **flavour mixing pattern** is strongly constrained: **important for experimental sensitivity**



(a) Normal ordering.

(b) Inverted ordering.

# ATLAS Reinterpretation



Interpretation of ATLAS data (and others) depends on assumptions about “flavour mixing pattern”

# Global Symmetries

## Agnostic approach:

- Treat Yukawa matrices  $F$  and Majorana mass  $M$  as free parameters, allowing all values that are not excluded experimentally
- Some theoretical consistency requirements can be applied:
  - **Technical naturalness:** demand radiative corrections small
  - **Perturbativity:** Keep entries of  $F$  small enough that perturbation theory applies
  - **Seesaw approximation:** Keep  $\theta$  small enough for seesaw expansion to hold
  - **Perturbative unitarity:** HNL width smaller than HNL mass
- Requires approximate B-L symmetry Shaposhnikov 06, Kersten/Smirnov 07

## Symmetry-based approach:

- UV-completions can motivate specific structures in  $F$  and  $M$   
See e.g. King [1701.04413](#), Xing [1909.09610](#),
- Symmetries reduce parameter space, make the model more testable

# B-L Charge Assignment

## charge assignment in Lagrangian

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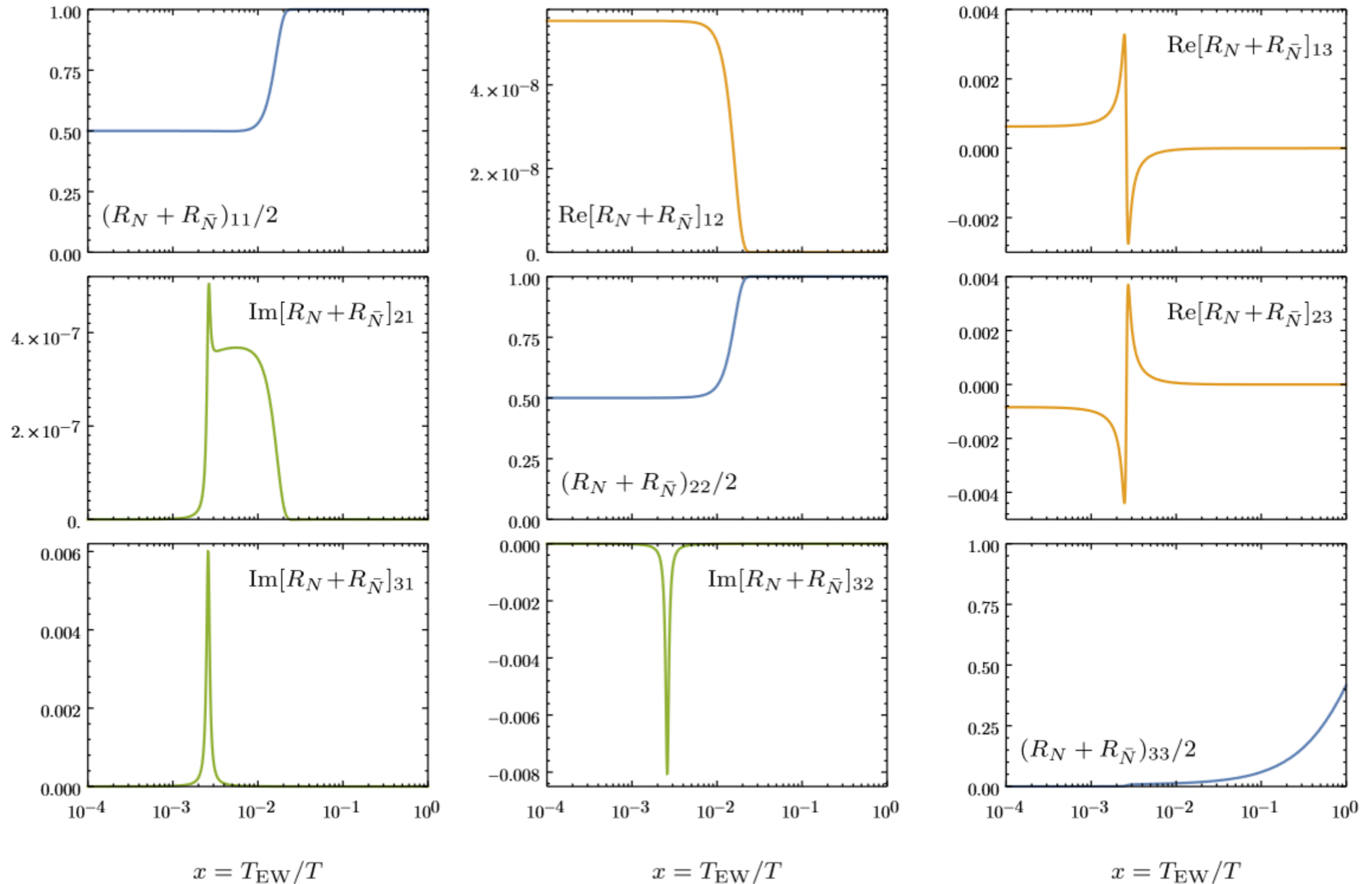
## approximately conserved helicity charges during leptogenesis

spinors	$\tilde{L}$ -charge
$P_+ N_i, \quad \bar{N}_i P_+$	+1
$P_- N_i, \quad \bar{N}_i P_-$	-1

$$\psi_N = (\nu_{Rs} + \nu_{Rw}^c) ; \quad \text{B-L violating parameters} \quad \mu, \epsilon, \epsilon'$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \bar{\psi}_N (i\not{\partial} - \bar{M}) \psi_N + \bar{\nu}_{R3} i\not{\partial} \nu_{R3} - F_a^* \bar{\psi}_N \phi^T \epsilon^\dagger \ell_{La} - F_a \bar{\ell}_{La} \epsilon \phi^* \psi_N \\ & - \epsilon_a^* F_a^* \bar{\psi}_N^c \phi^T \epsilon^\dagger \ell_{La} - \epsilon_a F_a \bar{\ell}_{La} \epsilon \phi^* \psi_N^c - \epsilon'_a F_a \bar{\ell}_{La} \epsilon \phi^* \nu_{R3} - \epsilon_a'^* F_a^* \bar{\nu}_{R3} \phi^T \epsilon^\dagger \ell_{La} \\ & - \mu \bar{M} \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\psi}_N^c \psi_N + \bar{\psi}_N \psi_N^c) - \mu' \bar{M} \bar{\nu}_{R3}^c \nu_{R3} , \end{aligned}$$

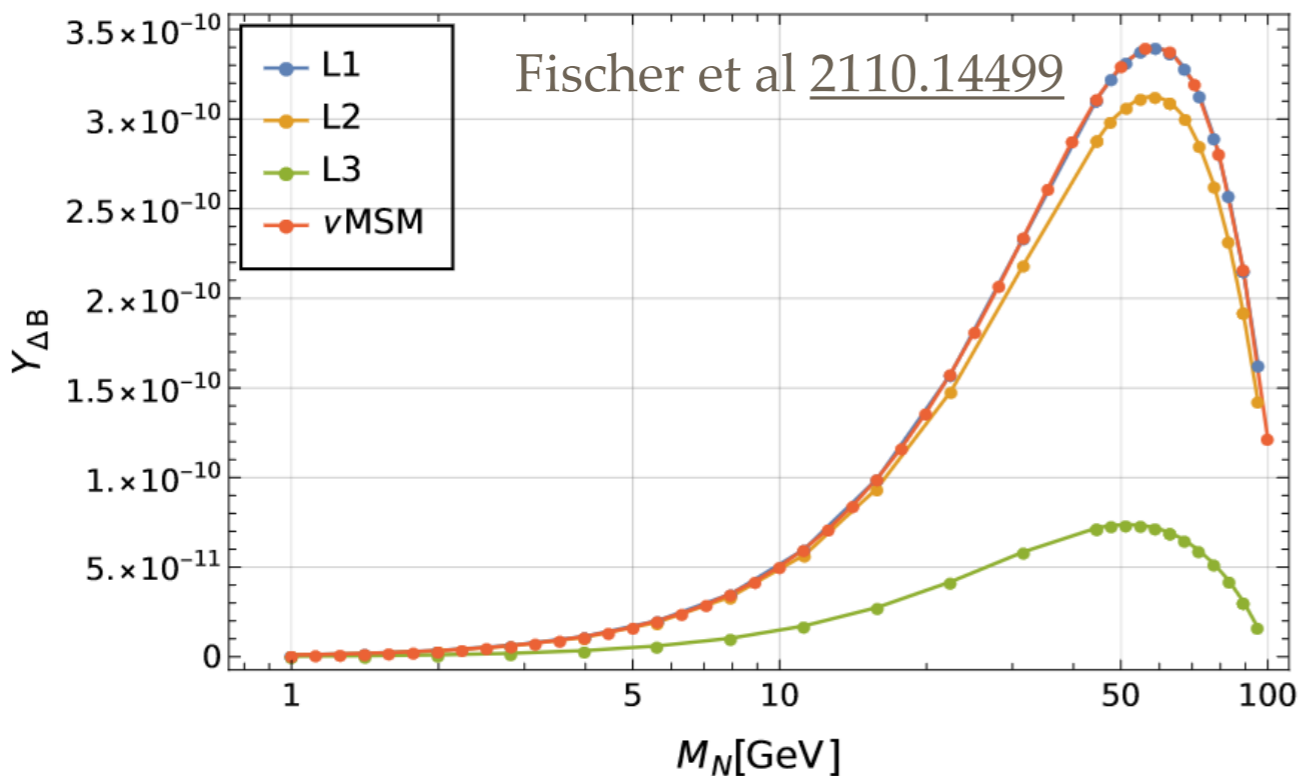
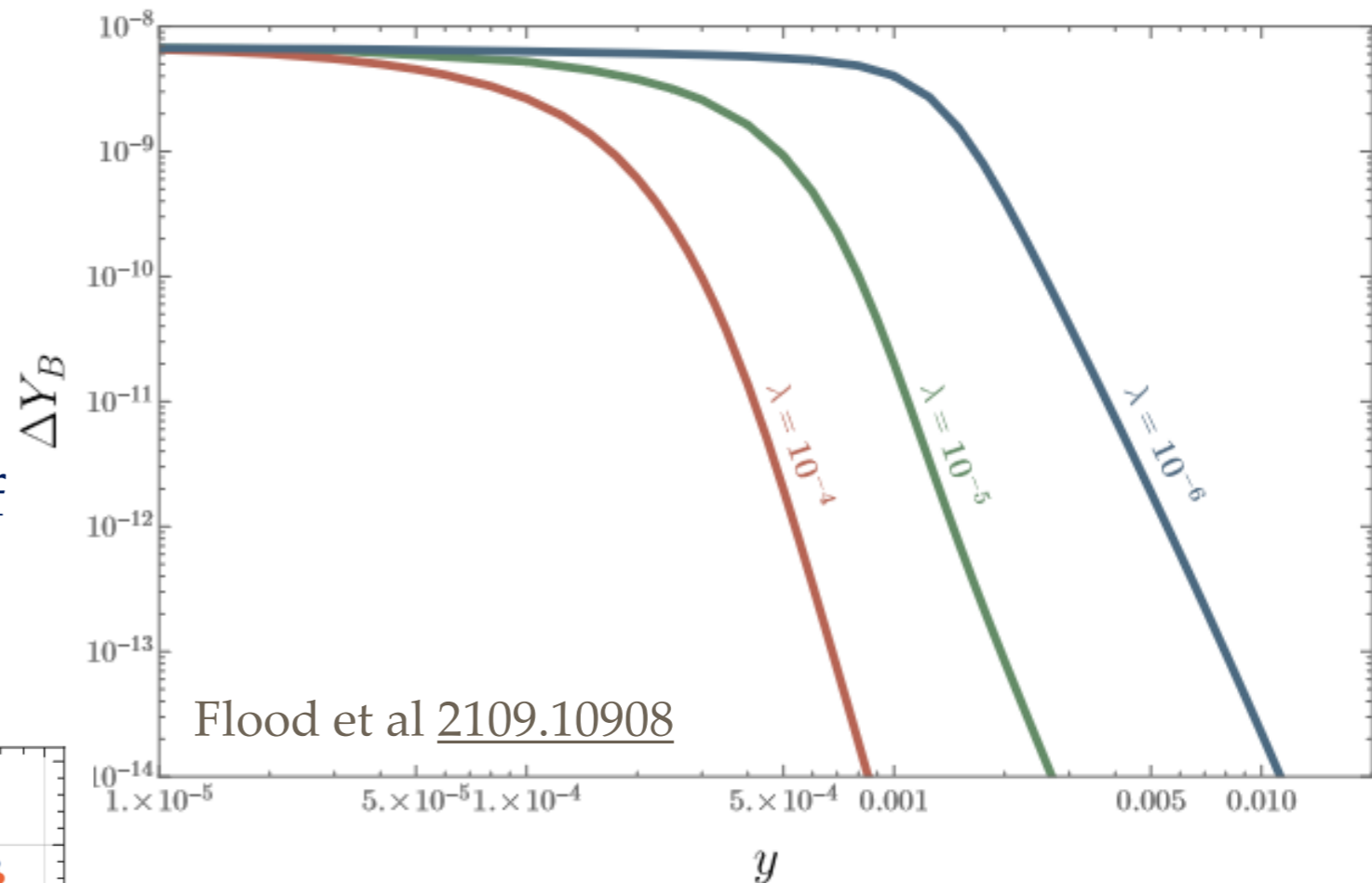
# HNL Density Matrix Evolution



# ARS Leptogenesis with extra Scalar

$$\mathcal{L}_\phi = -\frac{\lambda}{2}\phi^2|H|^2 - \frac{y_{IJ}}{2}\phi\bar{N}_I^c N_J - F_{\alpha I}\bar{L}_\alpha(\epsilon H^*)N_I + \text{h.c.}$$

- Equilibration of HNLs by new interactions suppresses efficiency of ARS mechanism (“freeze-in leptogenesis”)

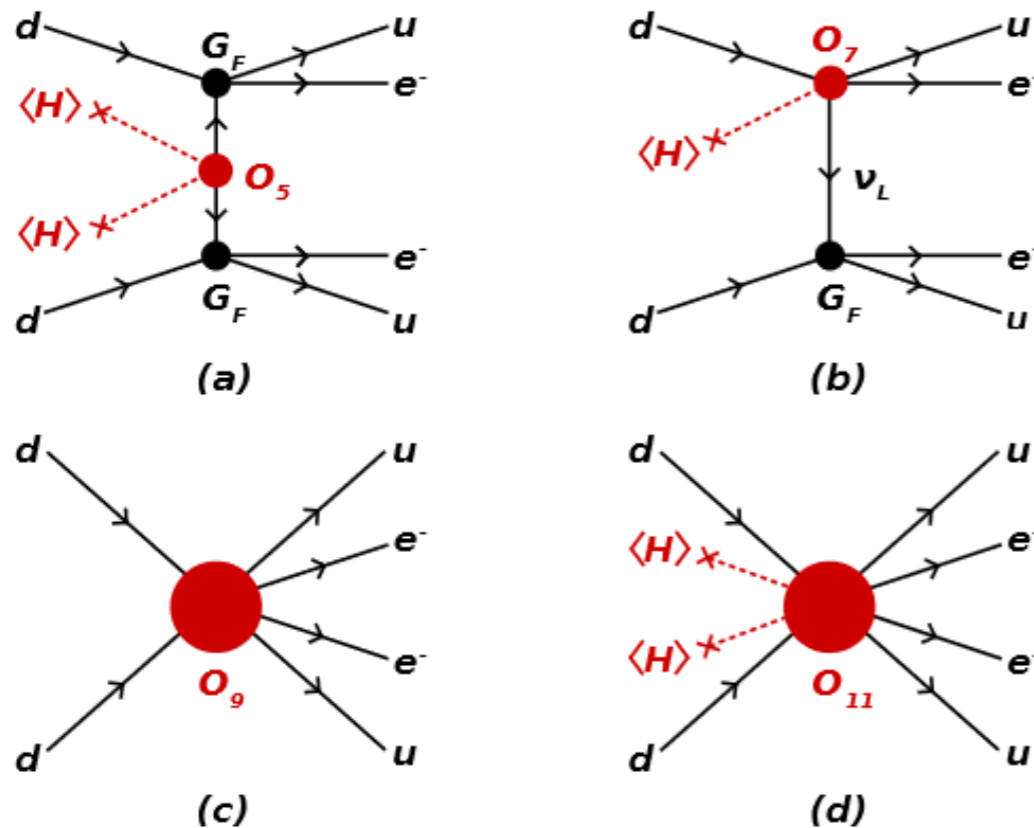


- But “freeze-out mechanism” works down to  $M \sim 2$  GeV (see previous slide), making low scale leptogenesis feasible in presence of new interactions!

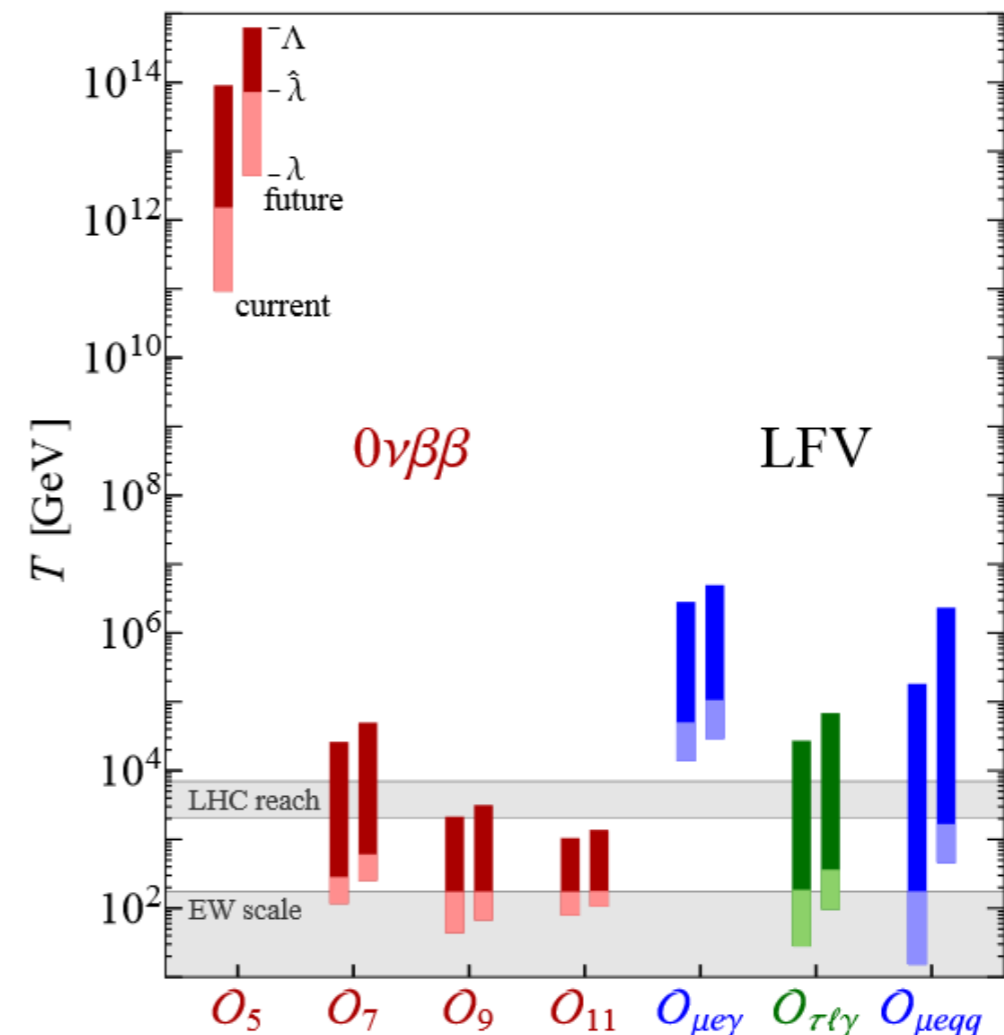
# Falsifying High Scale Leptogenesis

- LNV at the TeV scale would wash out L generated at high scale
- electroweak sphalerons above  $\sim 130$  GeV imply B also washed out
- discovery of low scale LNV can rule out high scale leptogenesis!

Deppisch/Harz [1312.4447](#)



Deppisch et al [1503.04825](#), [1711.10432](#)

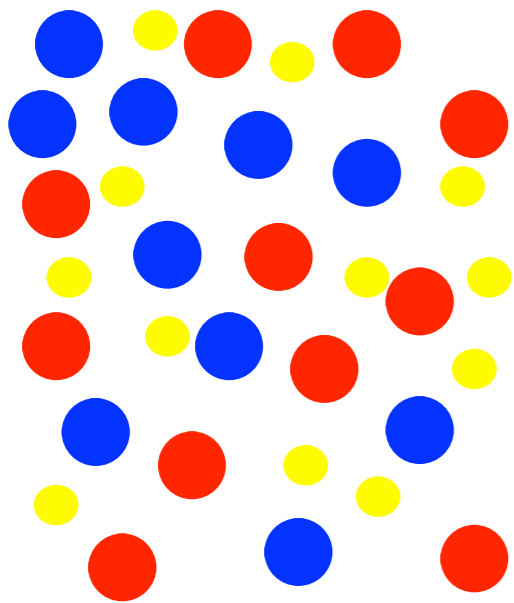




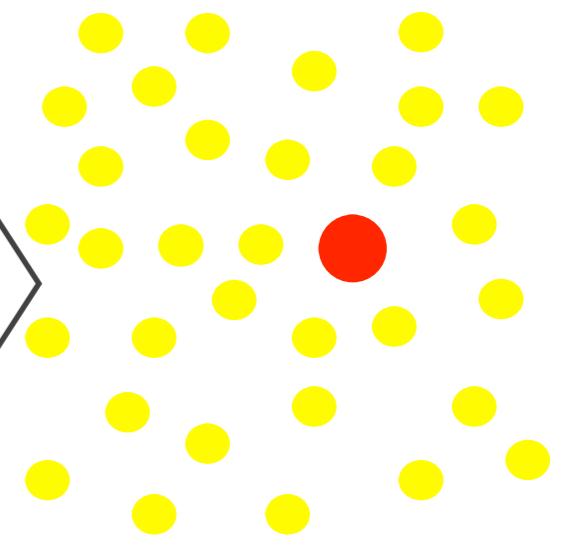
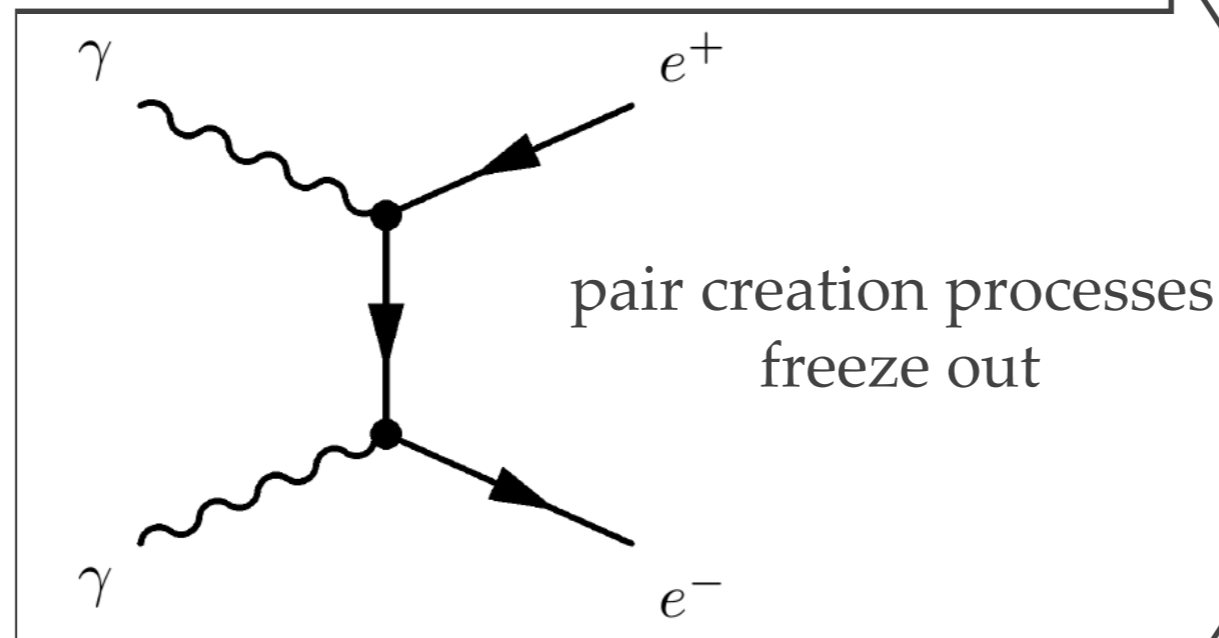
# Baryon Asymmetry of the Universe

The observable universe contains almost no antimatter and a lot more photons than baryons.

e.g. Canetti et al [1204.4186](#)



$T > 2 mc^2$



$T < 2 mc^2$

**CMB constraint on  
baryon-to-photon ratio  $\eta$ :**  
 $6.03 \times 10^{-10} < \eta < 6.15 \times 10^{-10}$

(Planck Collaboration)

**BBN constraint on baryon-to-  
photon ratio  $\eta$ :**  
 $5.8 \times 10^{-10} < \eta < 6.6 \times 10^{-10}$

(PDG)

# Where does the asymmetry come from?

## Sakharov Conditions (1967)

- ❖ Baryon number violation
- ❖ C and CP violation
- ❖ Deviation from thermal equilibrium



# Thermal Leptogenesis

## Basic idea

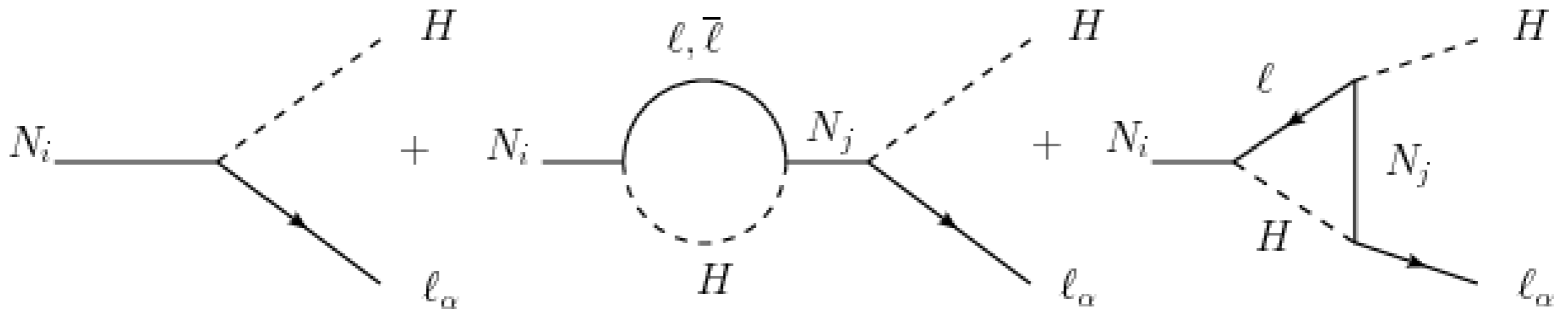
- $N$  are around in the early universe
- $N$  interactions are CP violating
- $N$  may preferably decay into matter

CP violating parameter  $\epsilon$

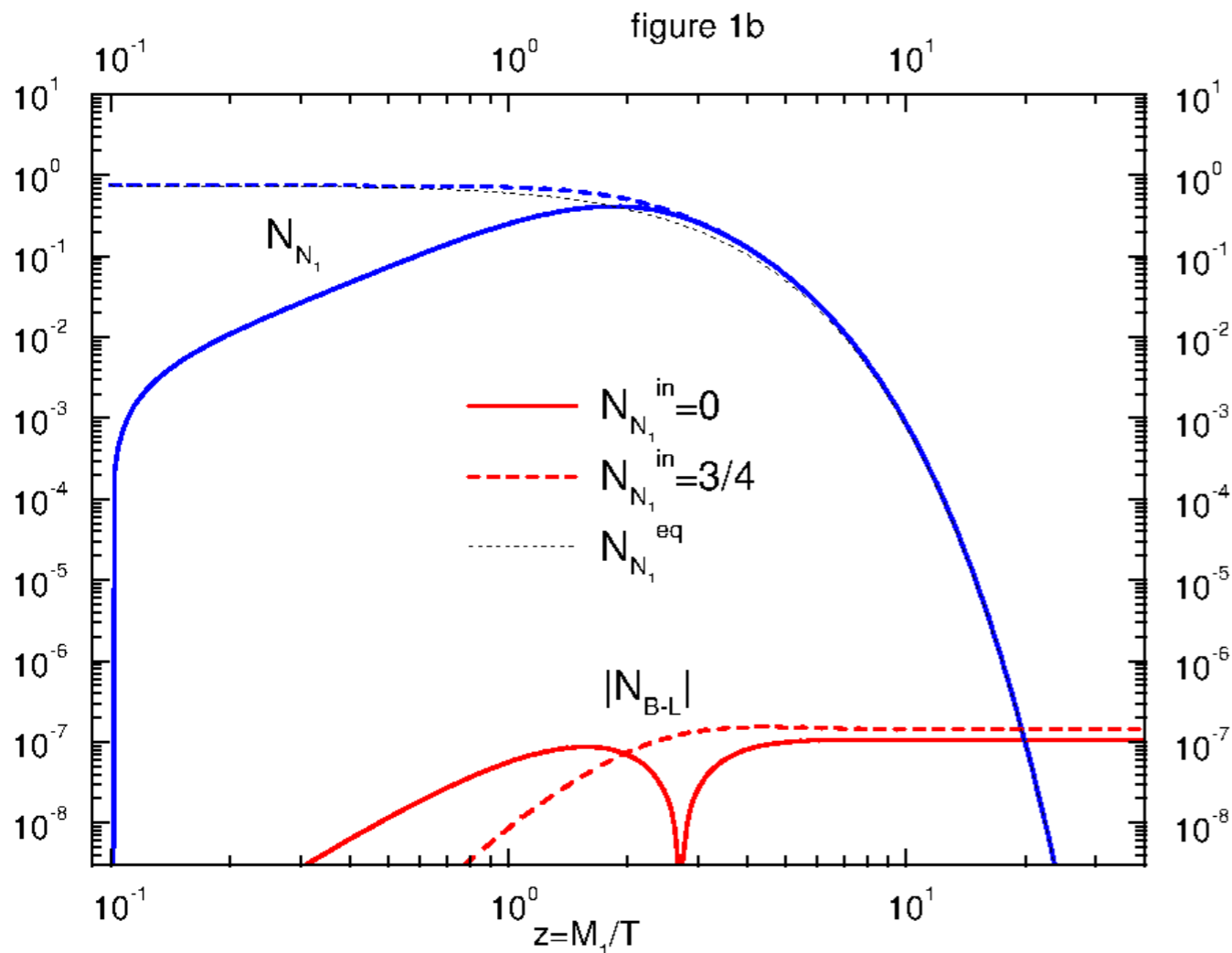
$$\epsilon = \frac{\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \ell H} - \Gamma_{N \rightarrow \bar{\ell} H^*}}{\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \ell H} + \Gamma_{N \rightarrow \bar{\ell} H^*}}$$

final asymmetry

$$Y_{B-L} \propto \epsilon/g_*$$



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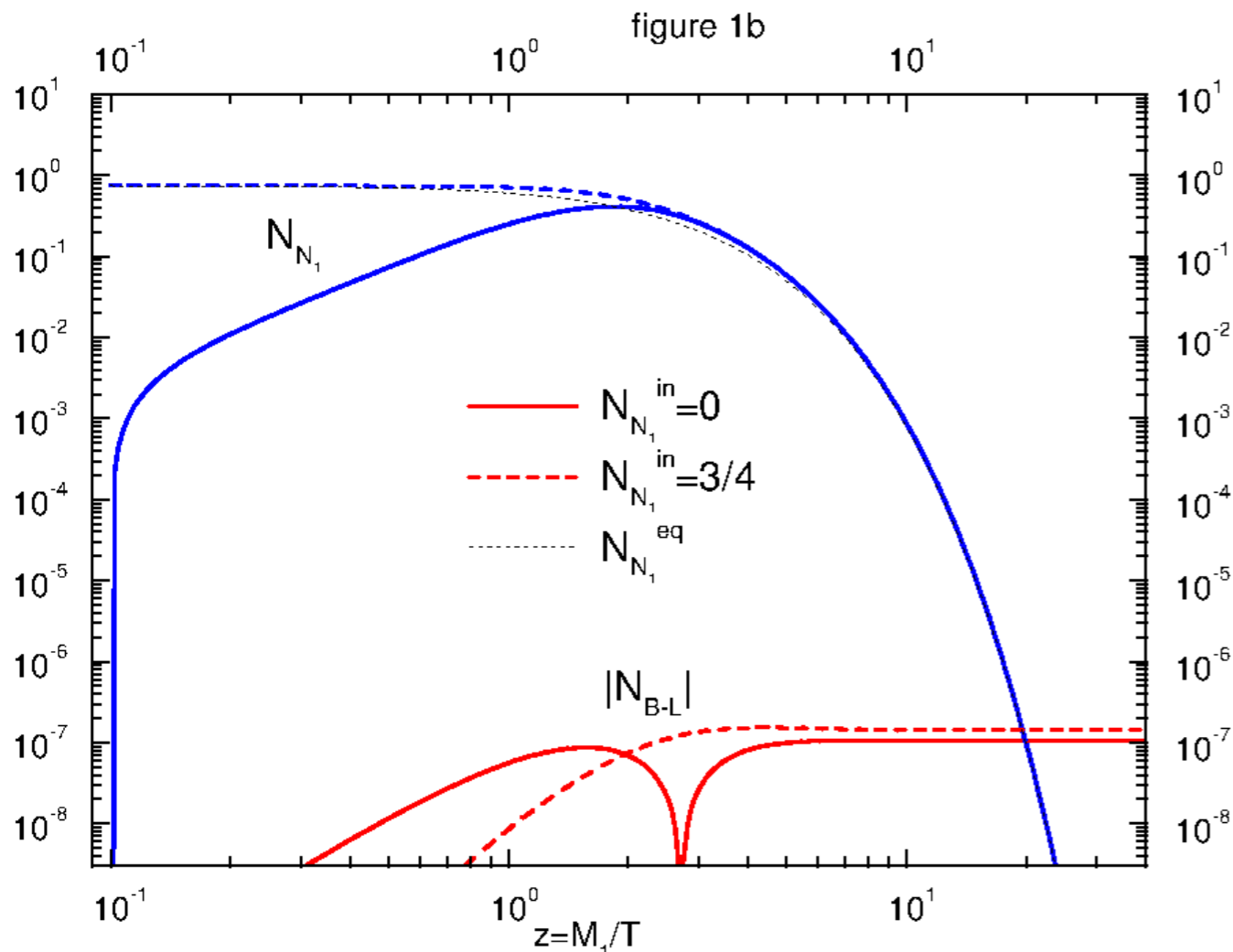


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# Boltzmann Equations



“Vanilla leptogenesis” requires  
 $M > 10^9 \text{ GeV}$  [Davidson/Ibarra 0202239](#)

Flavour effects can reduce this by  
 few orders [e.g. Dev et al 1711.02861](#)

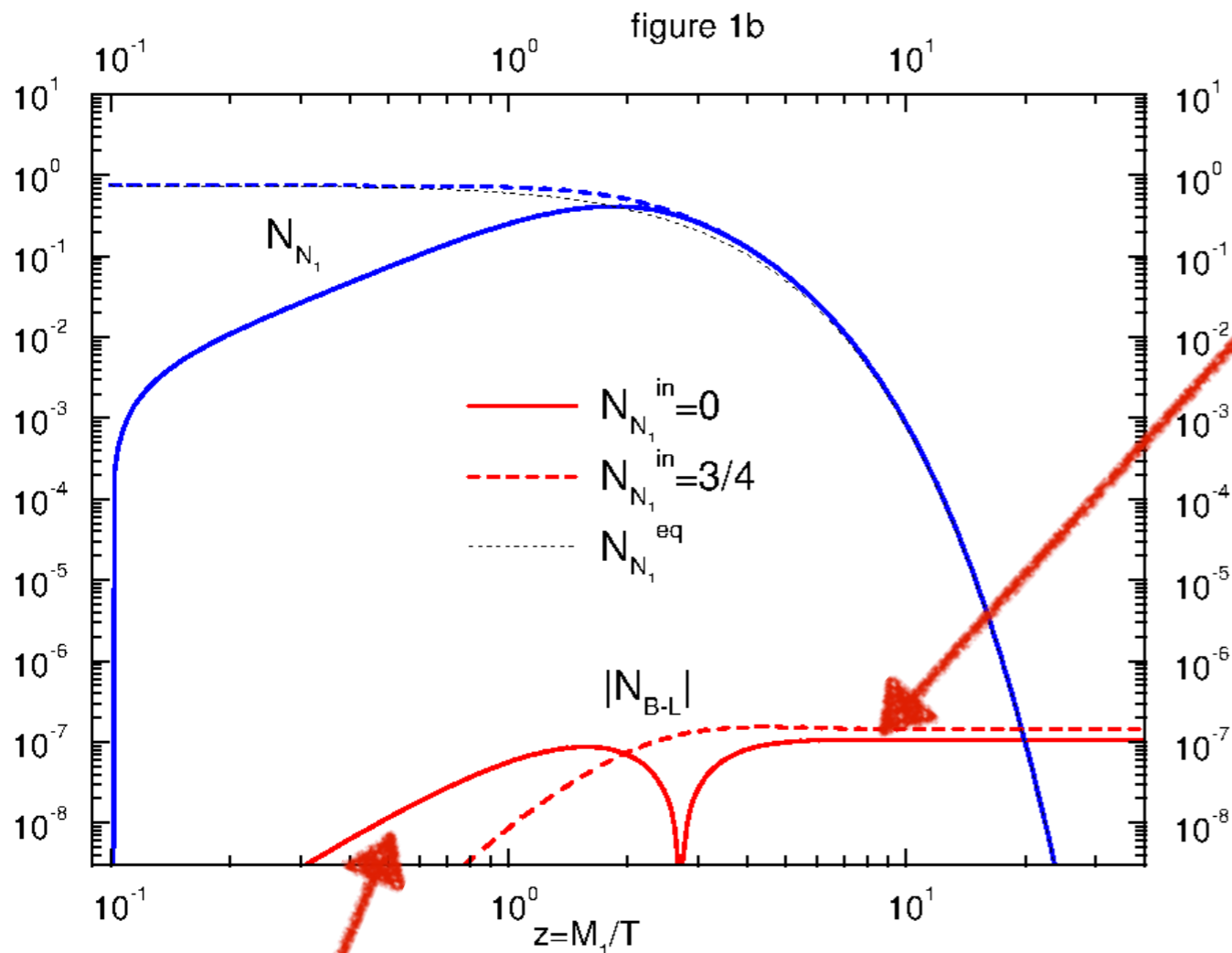
Resonant enhancement by  $\Gamma / \Delta M$   
 permits  $M < \text{TeV}$  [e.g. Dev et al 1711.02863](#)

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# Leptogenesis with small M ?



asymmetry generated during  $N$  decay ("freeze-out scenario")

Sakharov's nonequilibrium condition can be fulfilled in two ways.

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↑ Heavy neutrino density matrix  
↑ SM chemical potentials  
↑ Heavy neutrino effective Hamiltonian  
↑ LNC rate  $\sim F^2 T$   
↑ LNV rate  $\sim (M/T)^2 F^2 T$