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WHAT DO WE LEARN FROM HNL COLLIDER SEARCHES?



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WHY HEAVY NEUTRAL LEPTONS?



Spin

1/2

Color

single

Isospin

single

Charge

0

Mass

how dare you!?

Social life

not much

Curriculum Vitae

Heavy Neutral Leptons

Heavy neutrinos, right-handed neutrinos, sterile neutrinos

Work experience

◆ Neutrino masses

Other skills

◆ Osc. anomalies

◆ Dark matter

◆ Baryogenesis

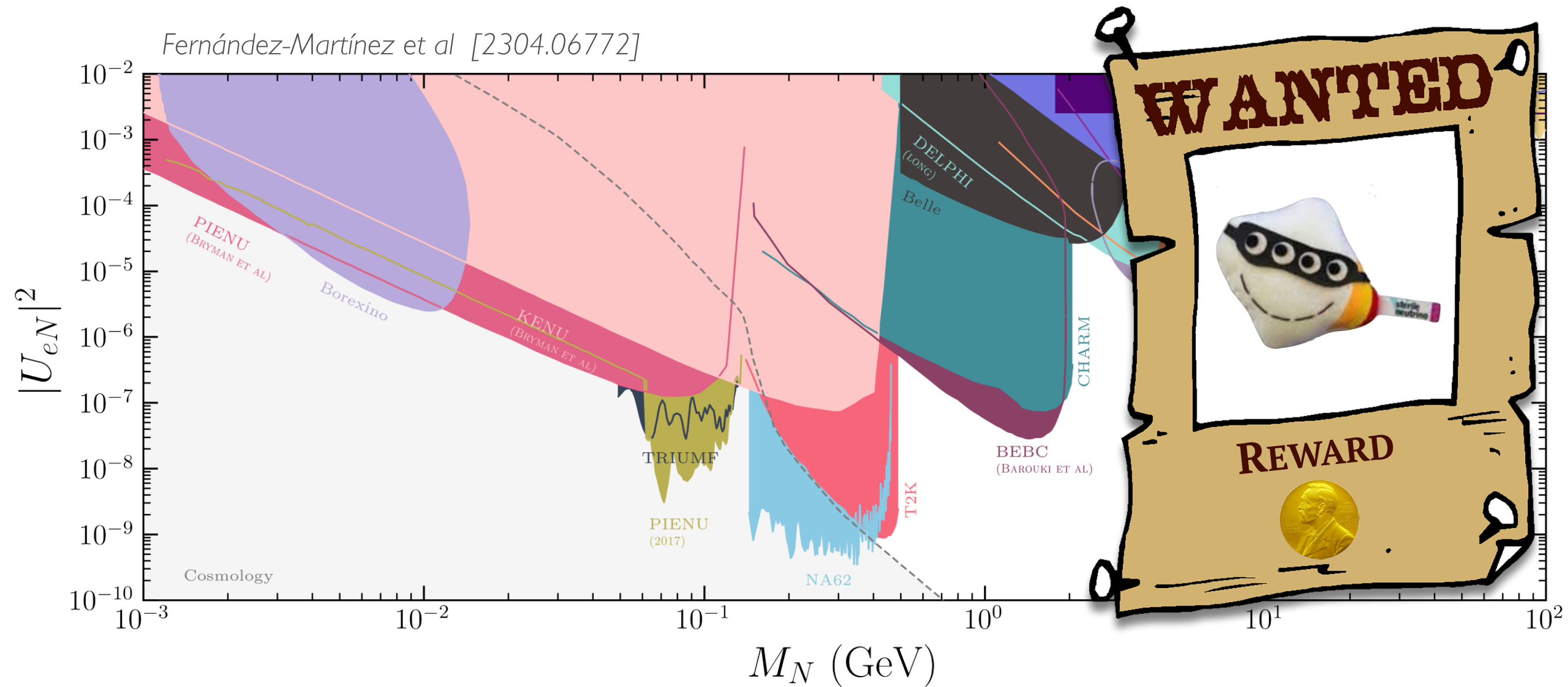
◆ Cooking



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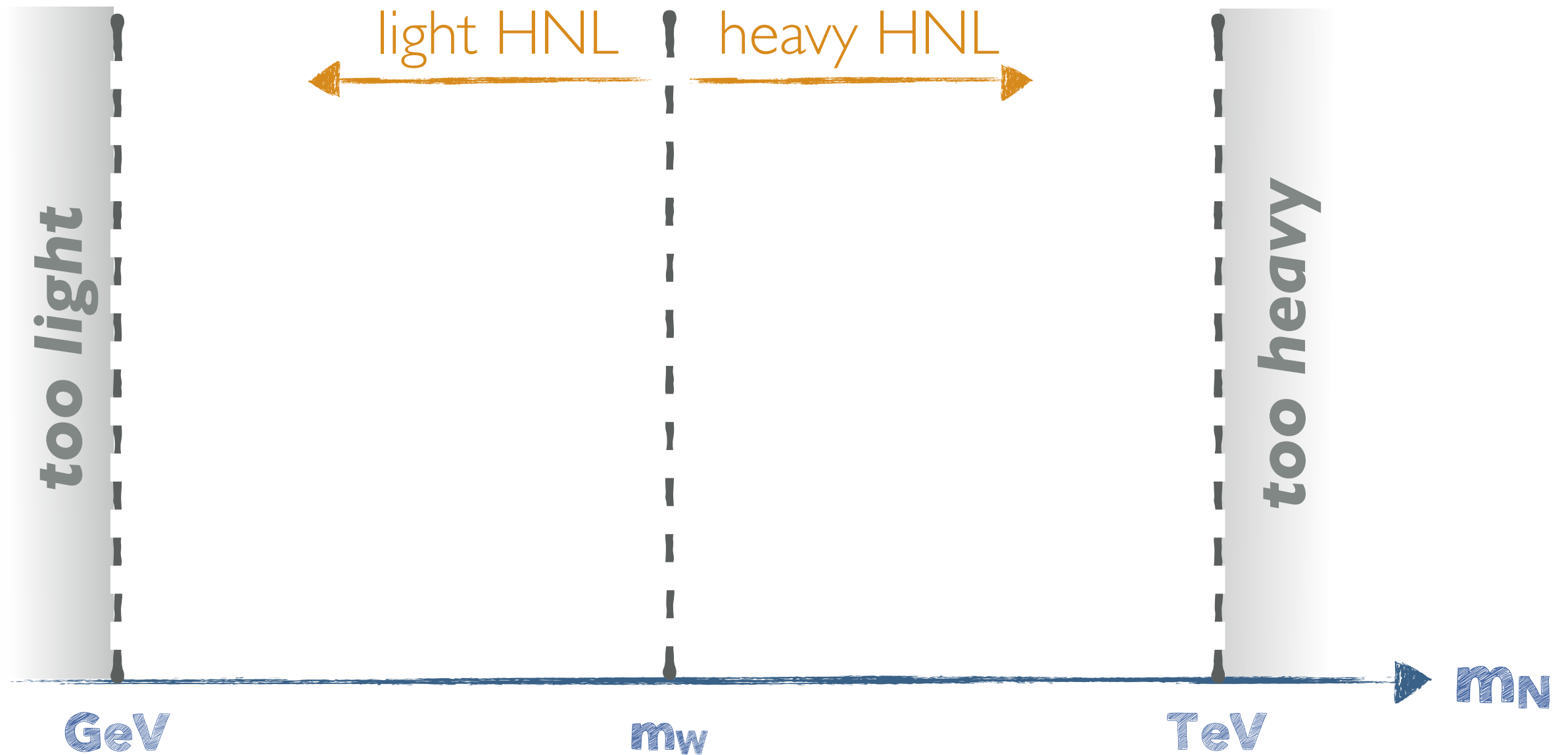
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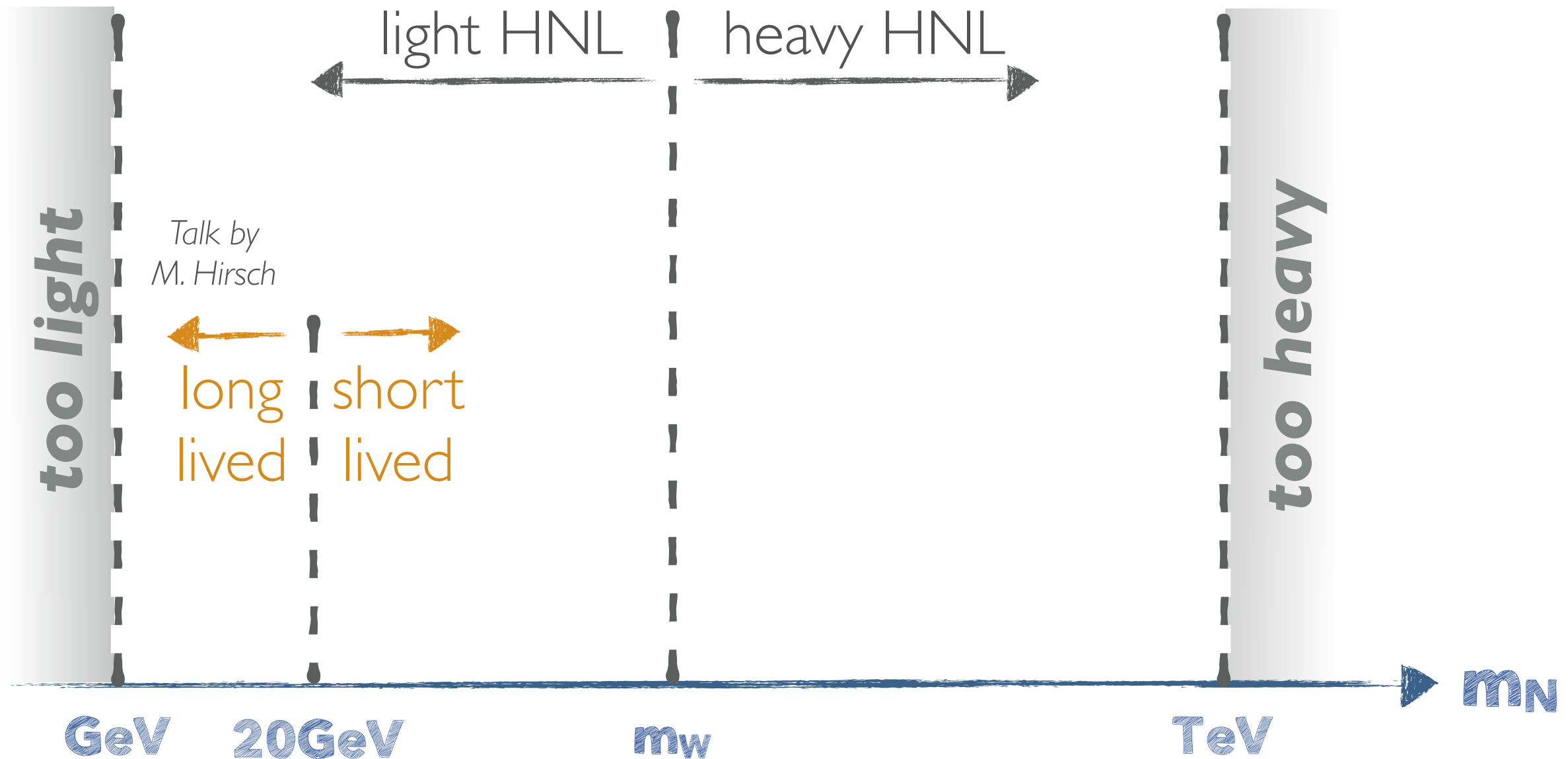
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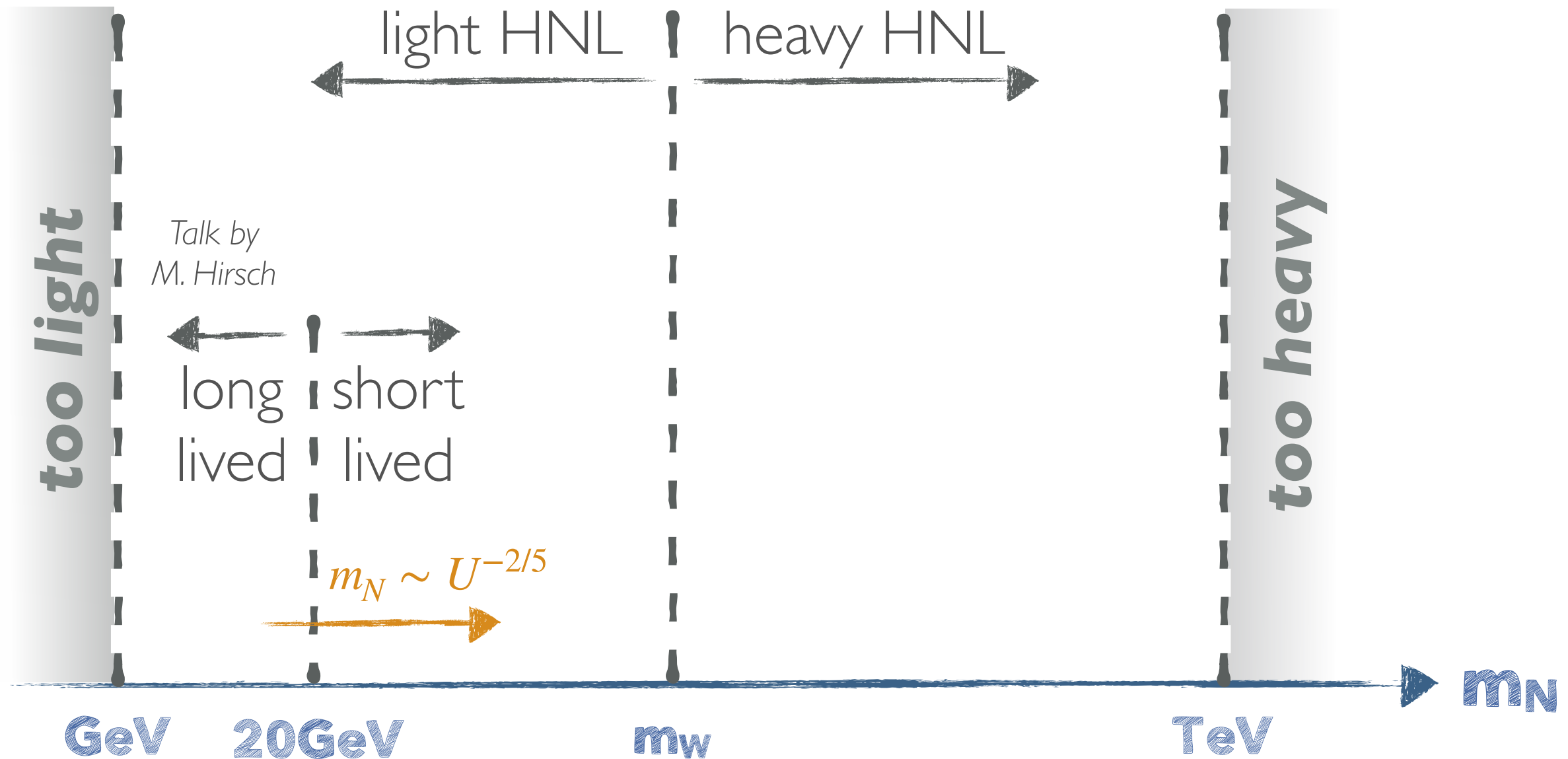
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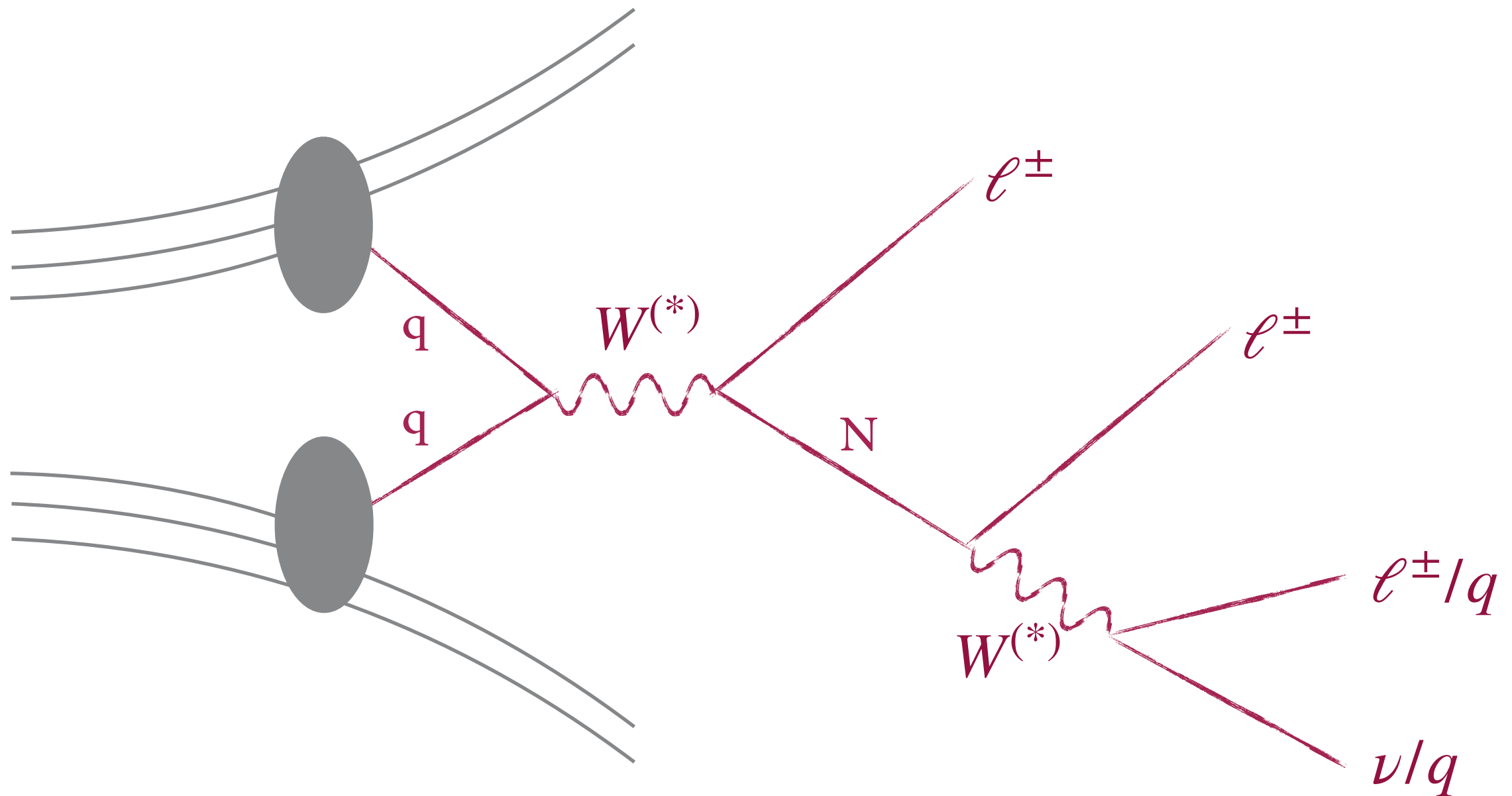


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HNL PRODUCTION AND DECAY AT LHC



SEVERAL CHANNELS AT LHC

■ *Same Sign Dilepton channel*

— LNV —

$$pp \rightarrow W^{(*)} \rightarrow \ell^{\pm} N \rightarrow \ell^{\pm} \ell^{\pm} + nj$$

■ *Opposite Sign Dilepton channel*

— LNC —

$$pp \rightarrow W^{(*)} \rightarrow \ell^{\pm} N \rightarrow \ell^{\pm} \ell^{\mp} + nj$$

■ *Trilepton channel*

— LNV? —

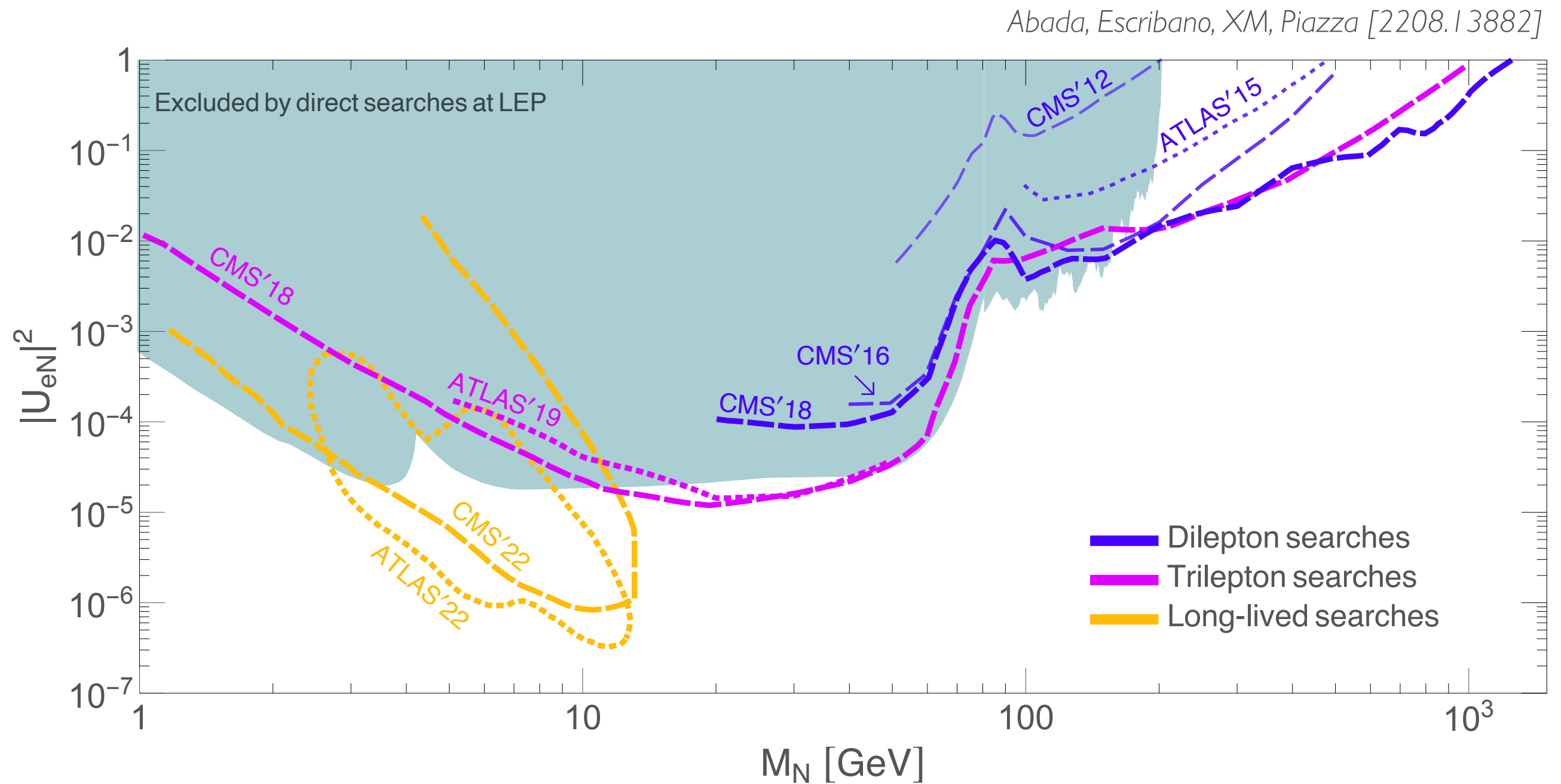
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■ *Displaced vertices*

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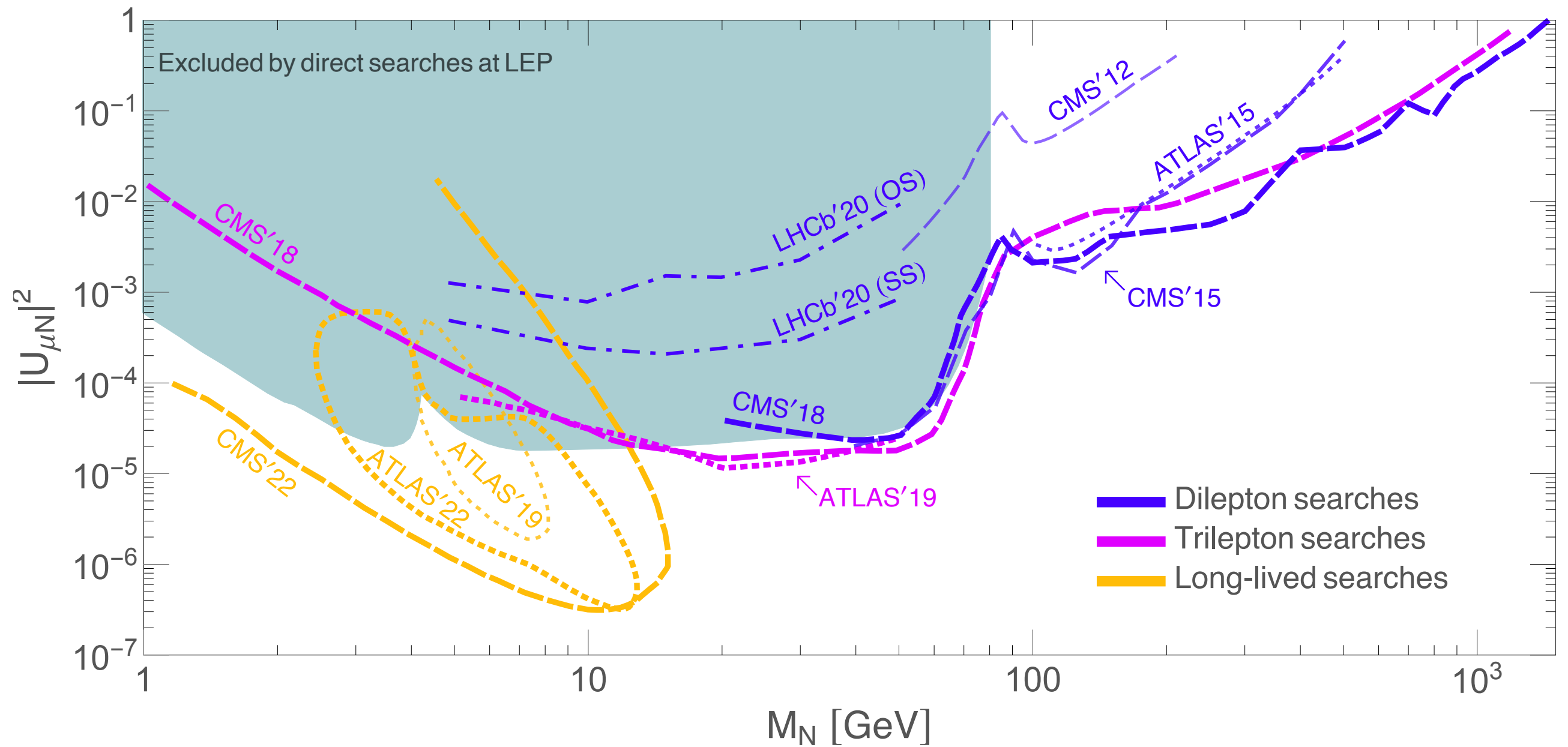
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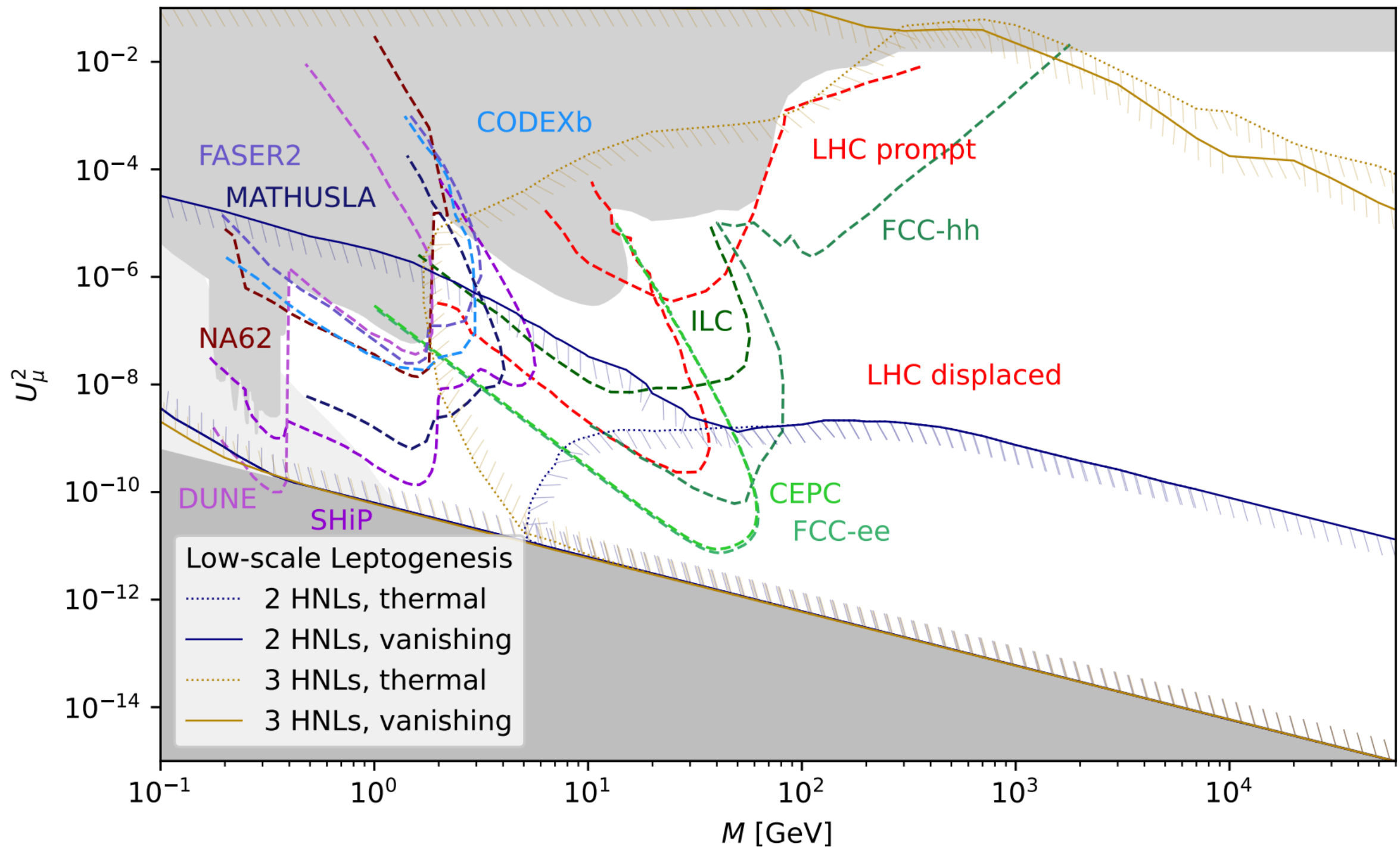
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FUTURE COLLIDER LANDSCAPE

Abdullahi et al [2203.08039]



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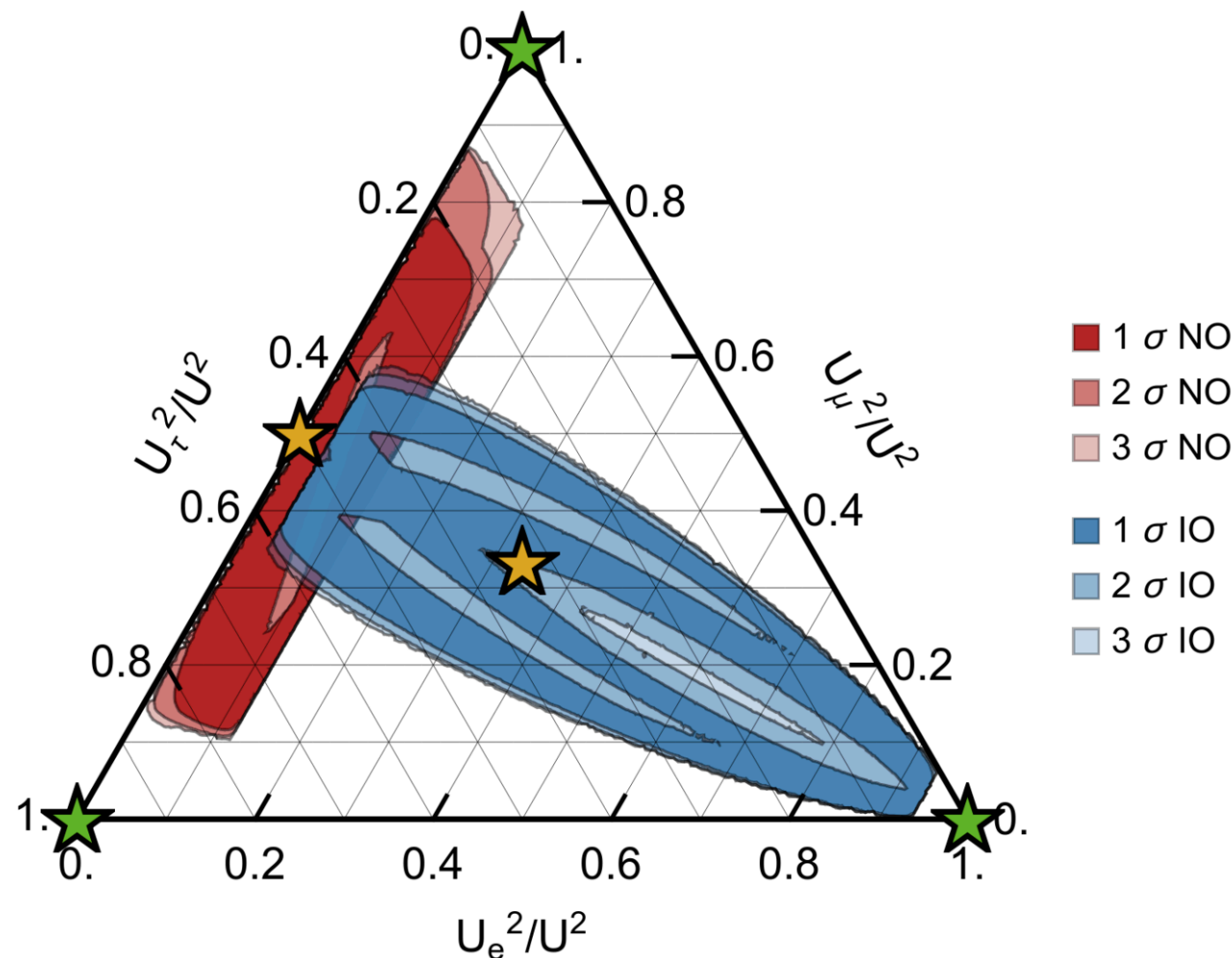
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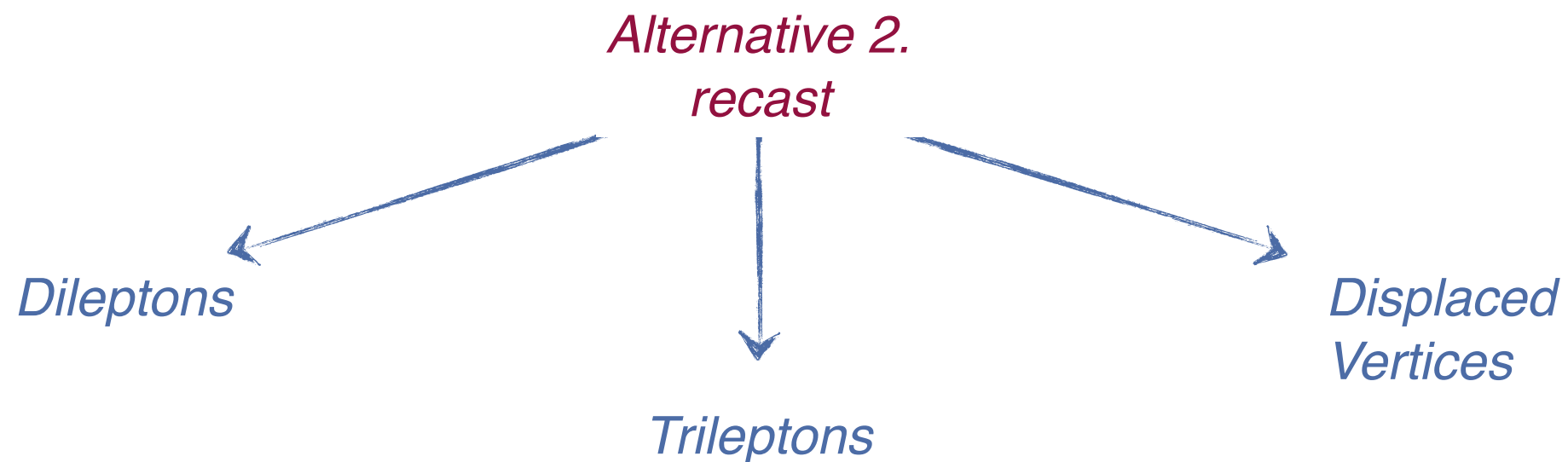
Alternative 1. New benchmarks matching flavor patterns for minimal models

— *Drewes et al [2207.02742]* —

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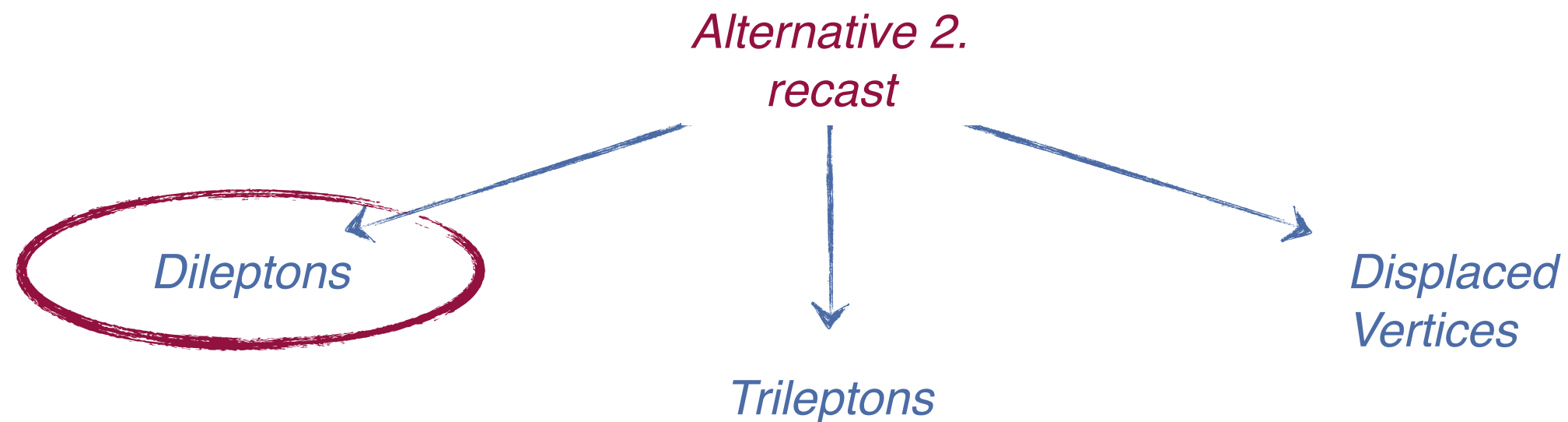
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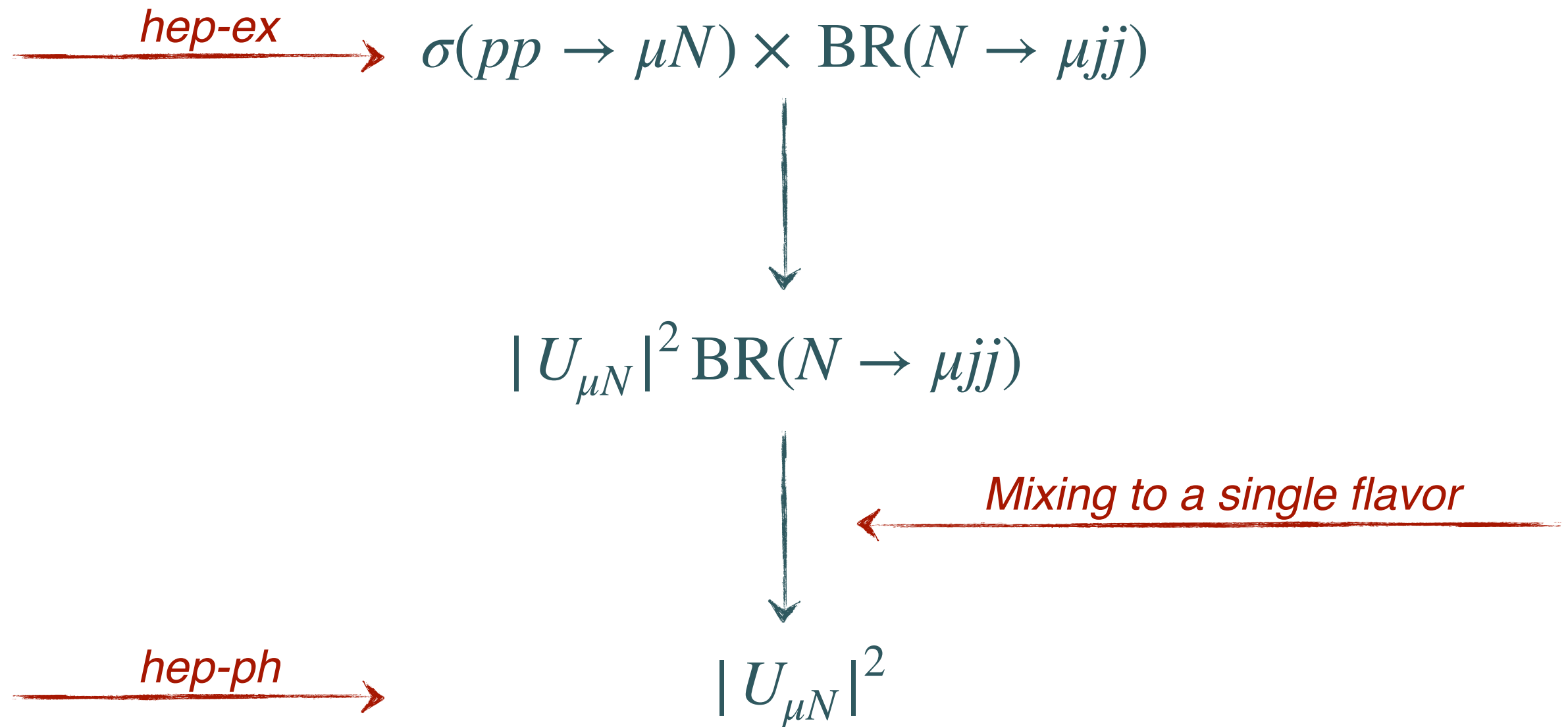
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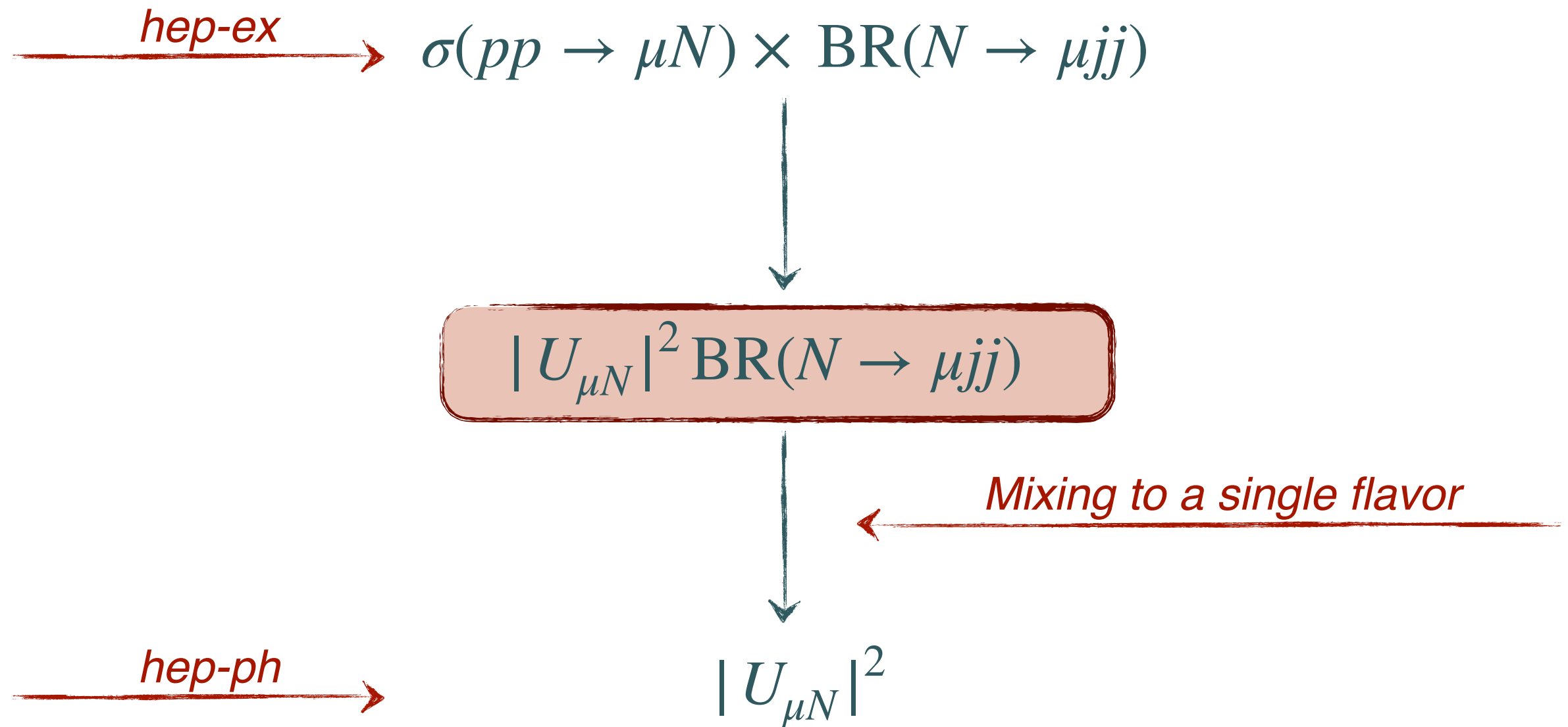
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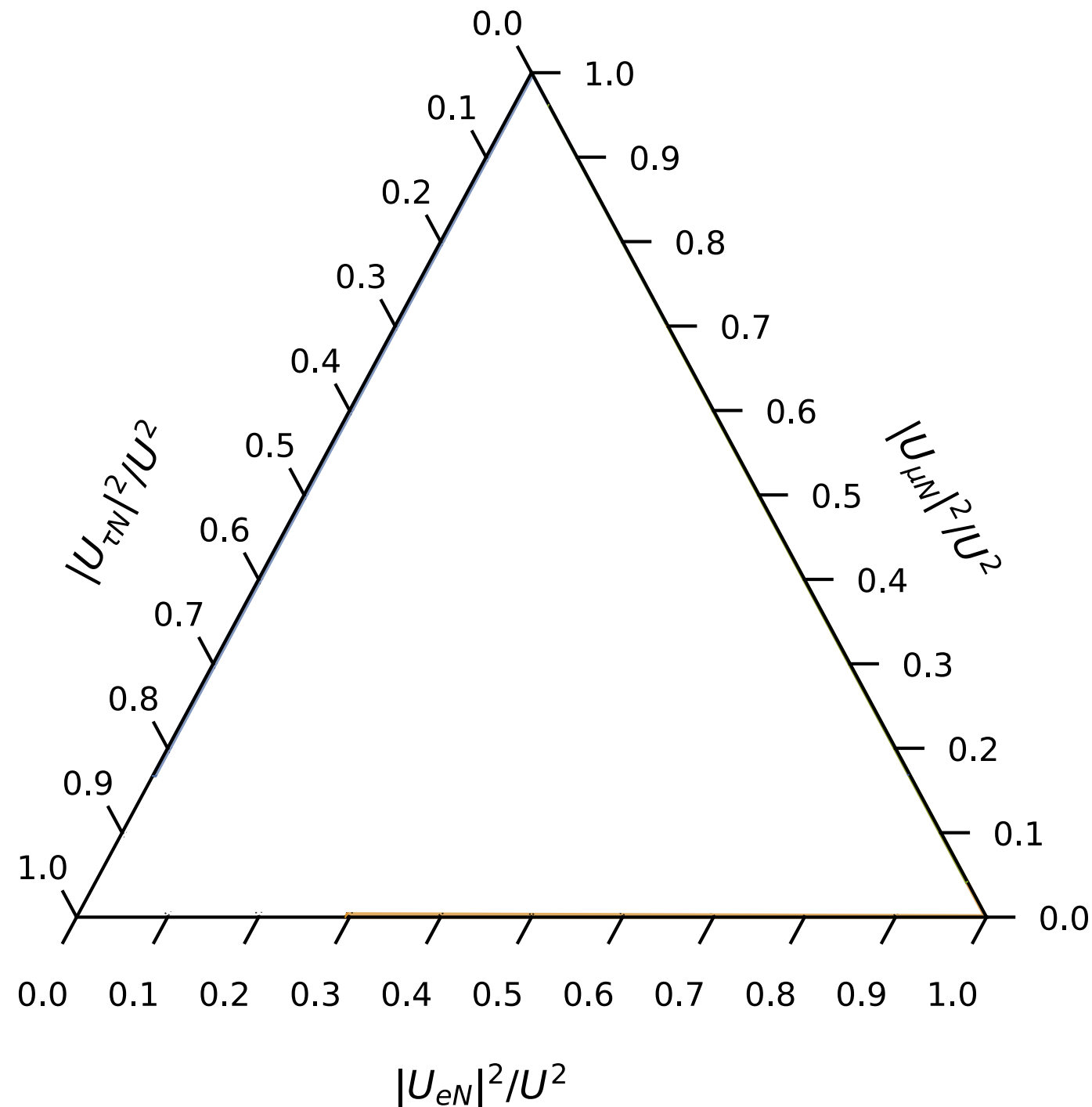
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— Abada, Escribano, XM, Piazza [2208.13882]—

For a fixed mass and U^2

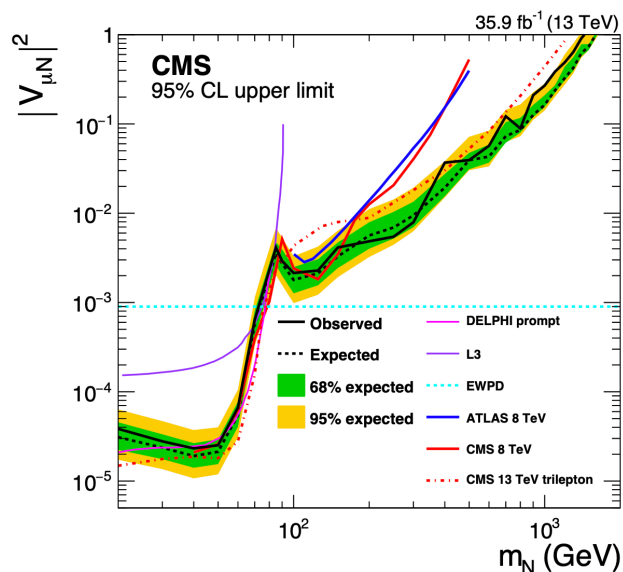
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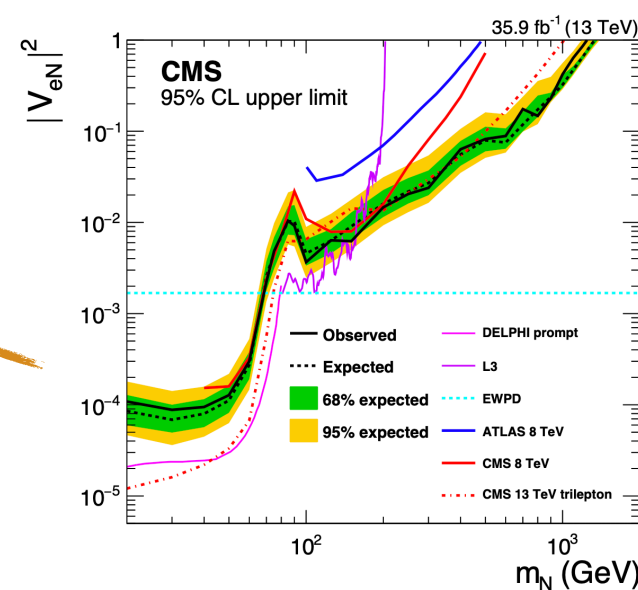
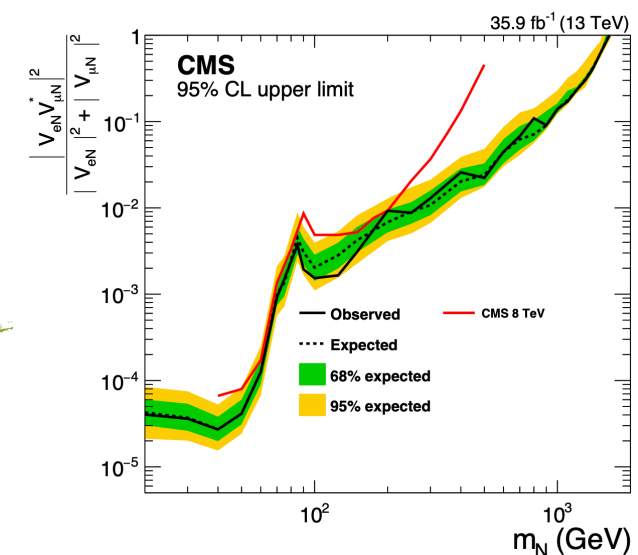
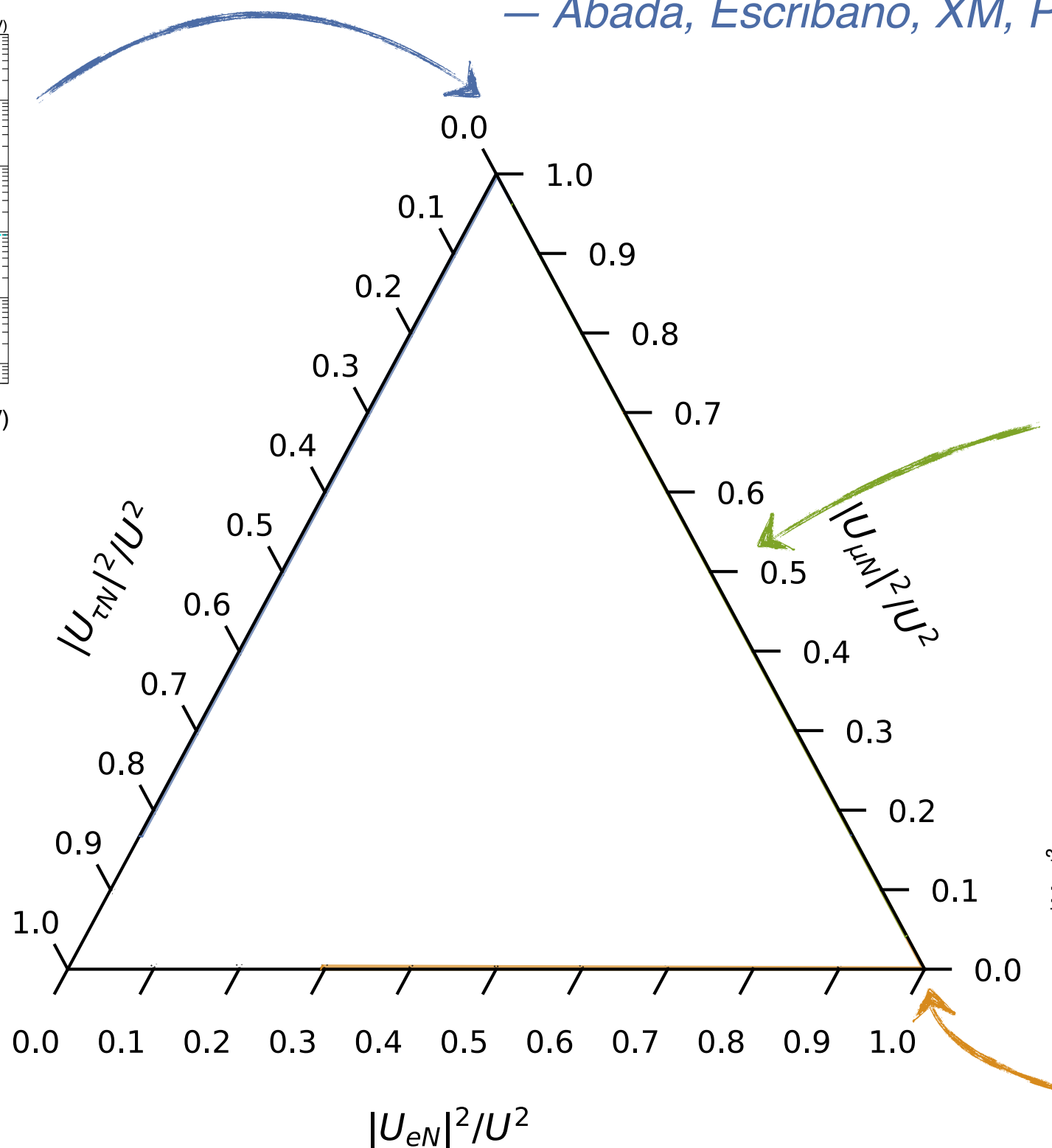
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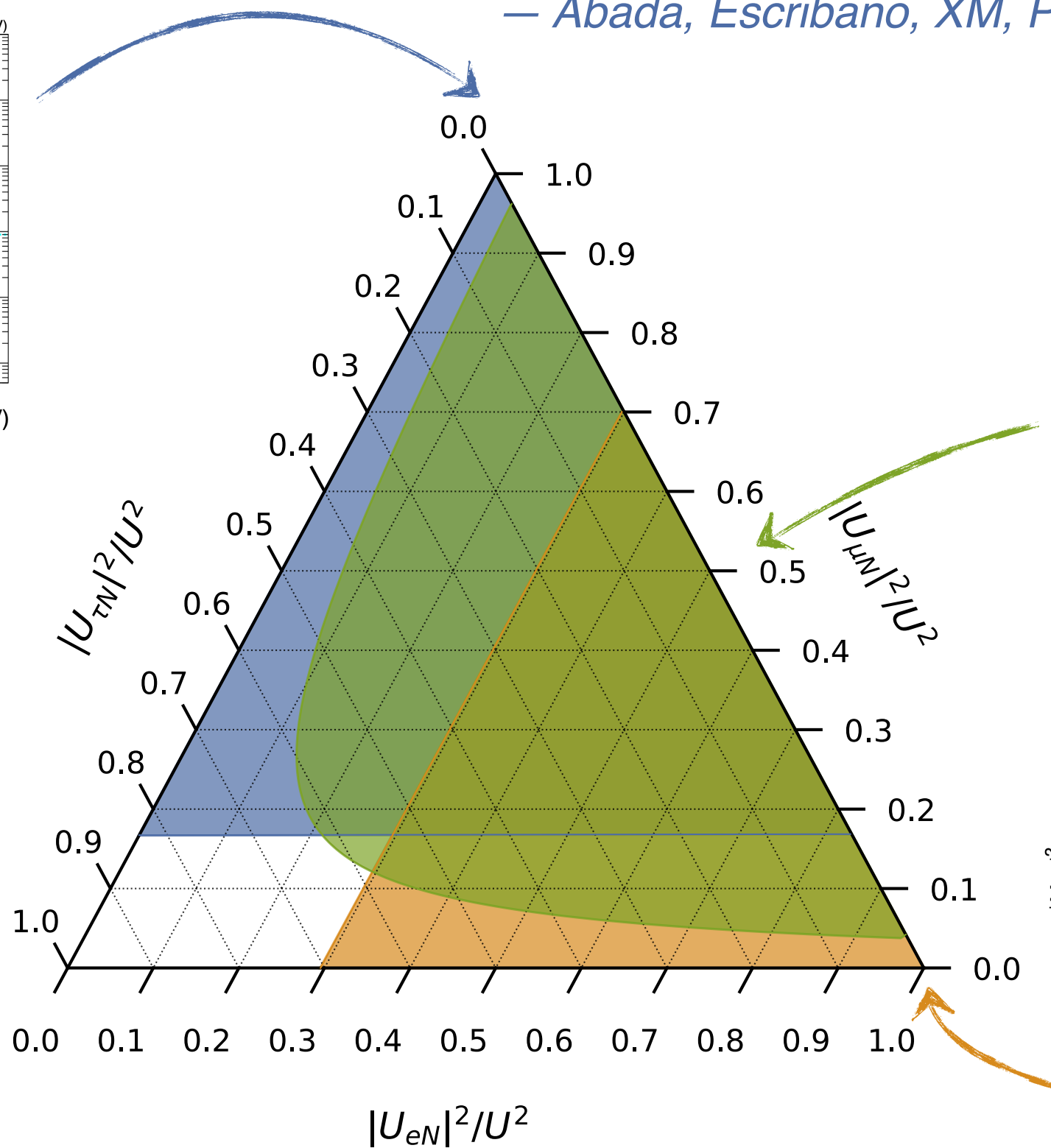
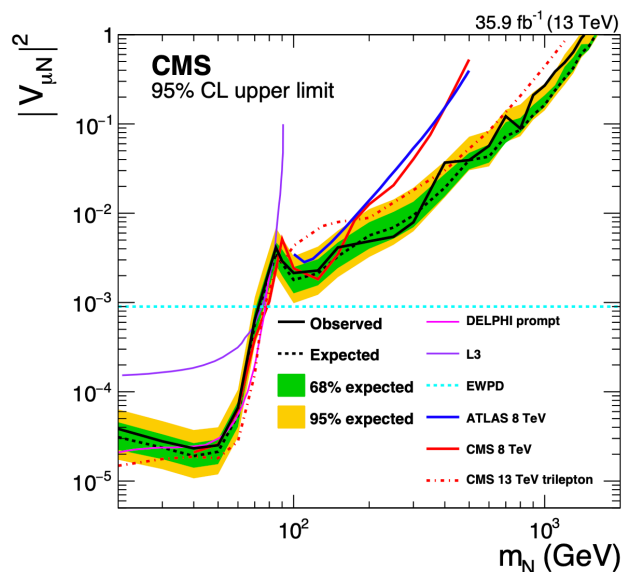
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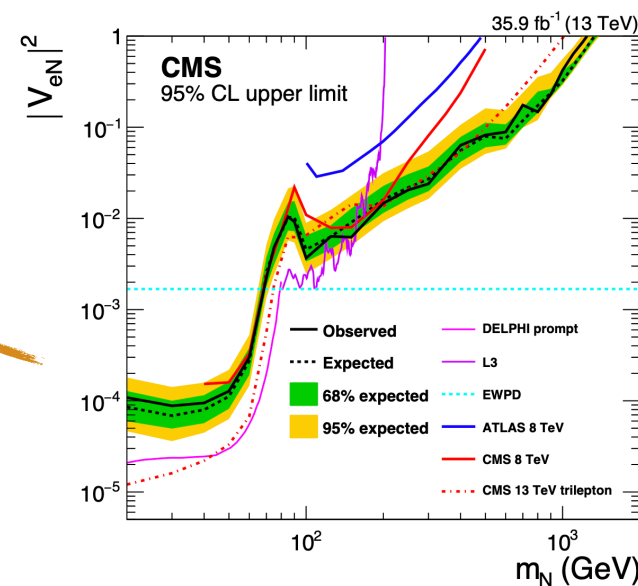
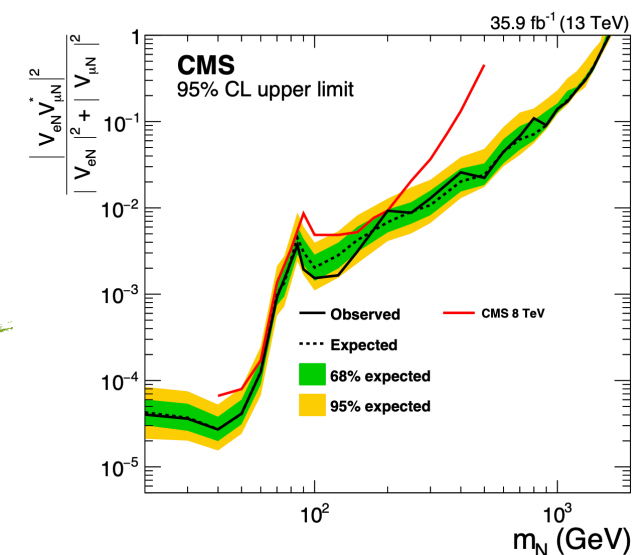
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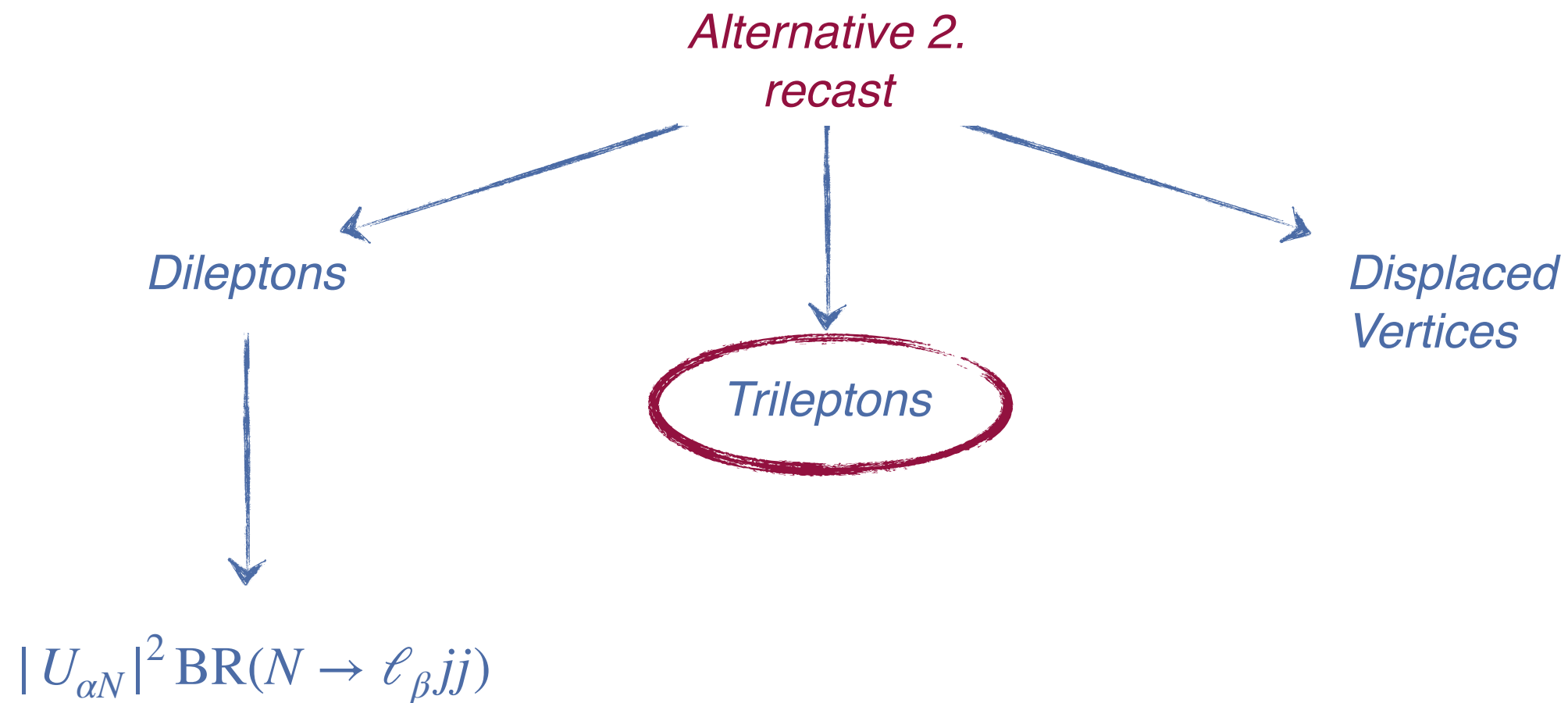
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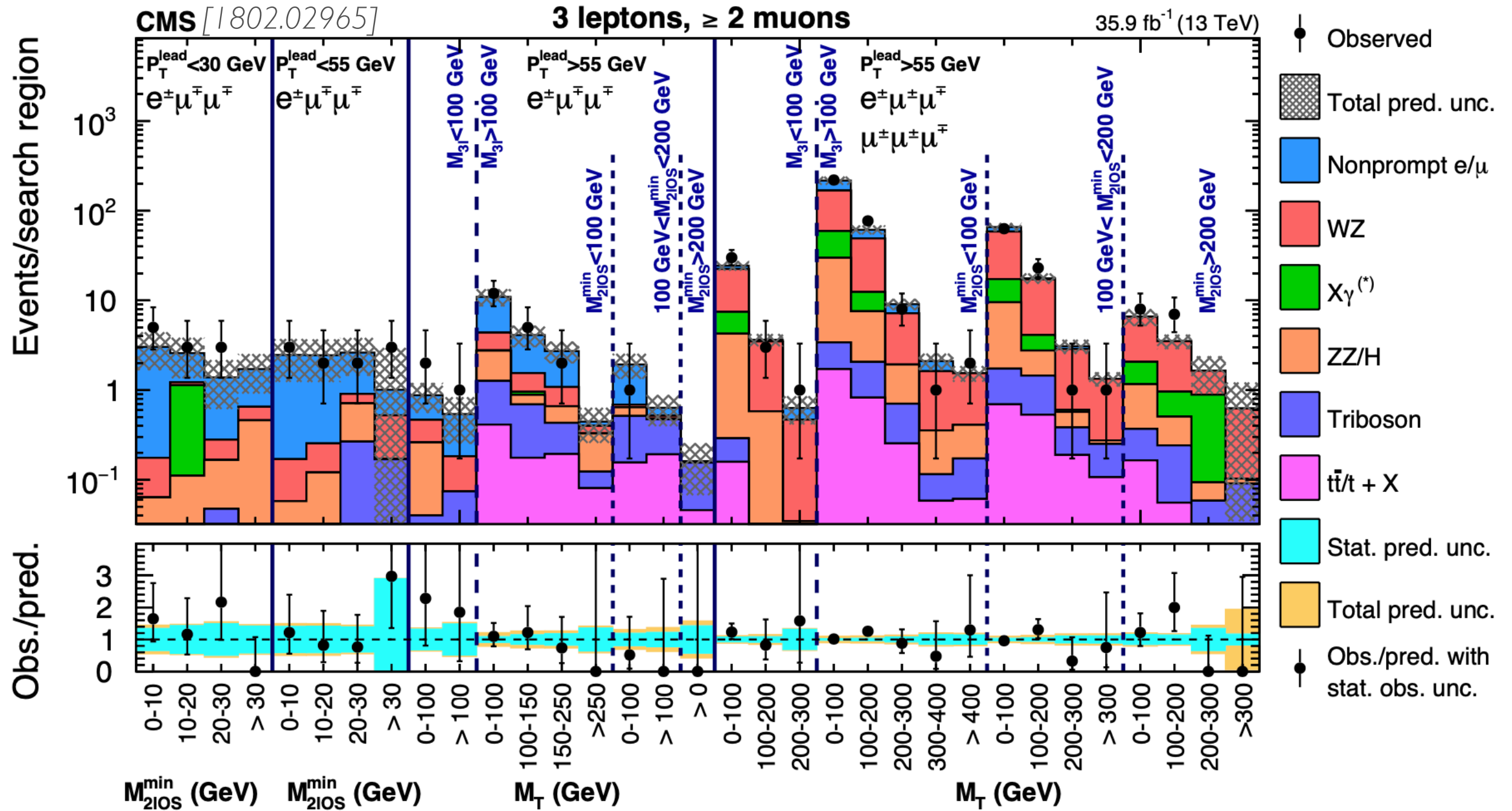
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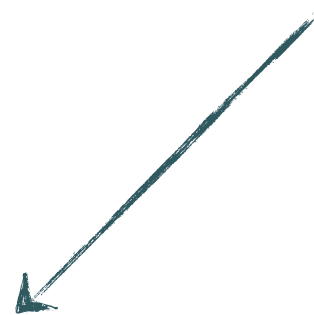
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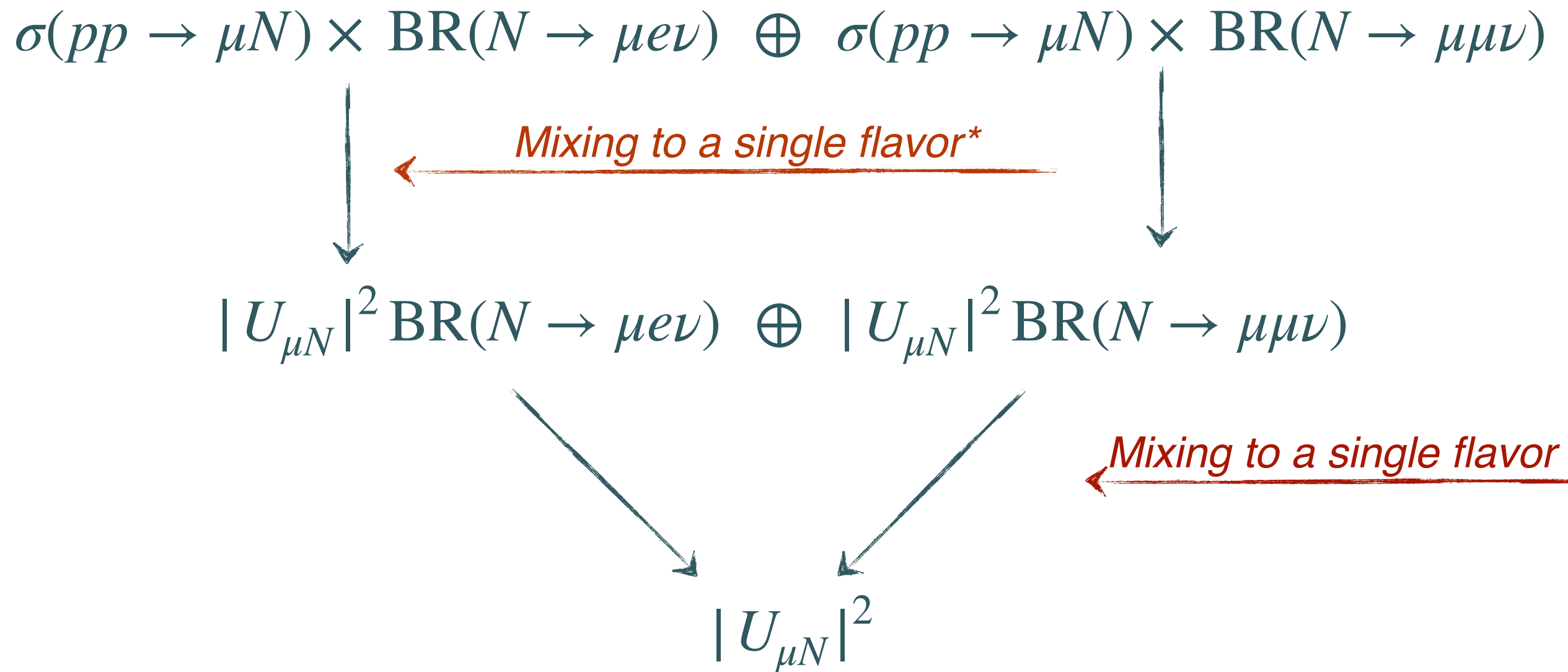


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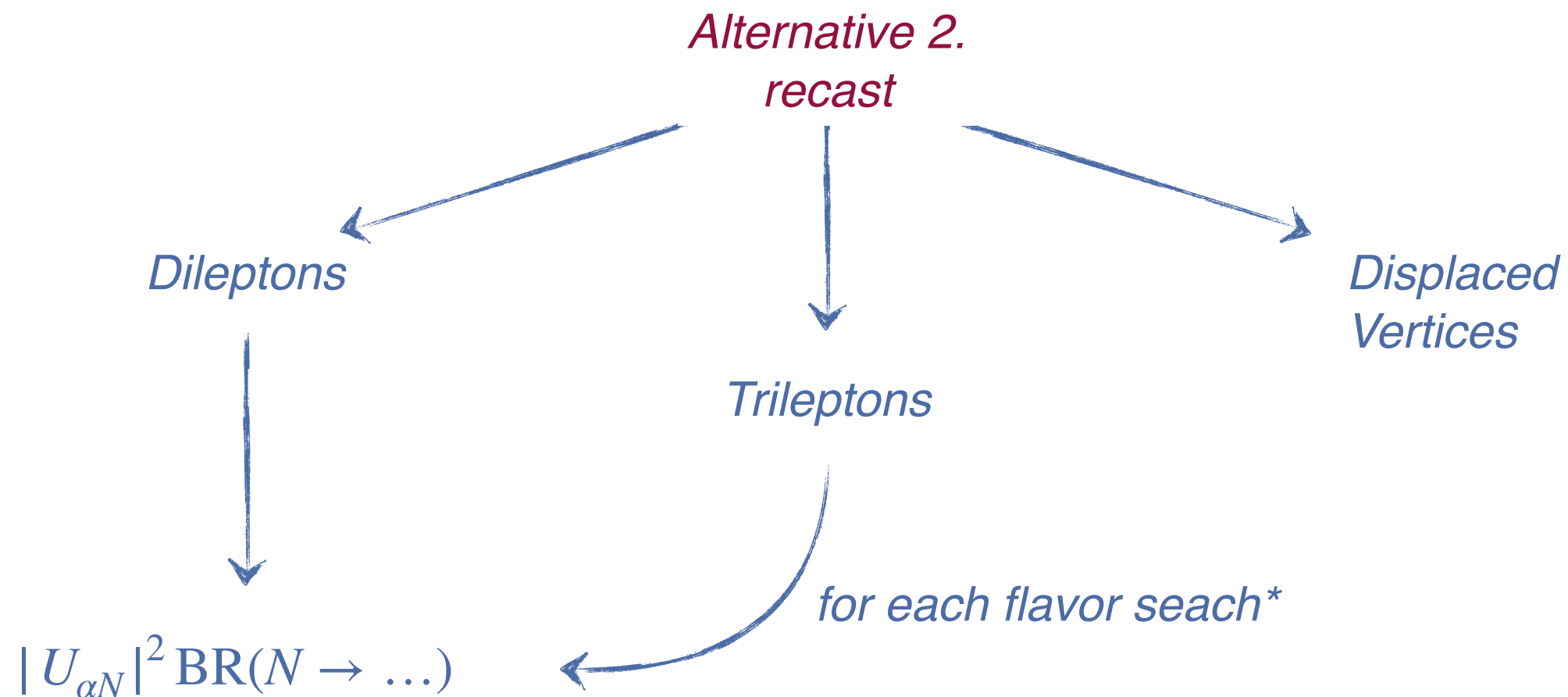


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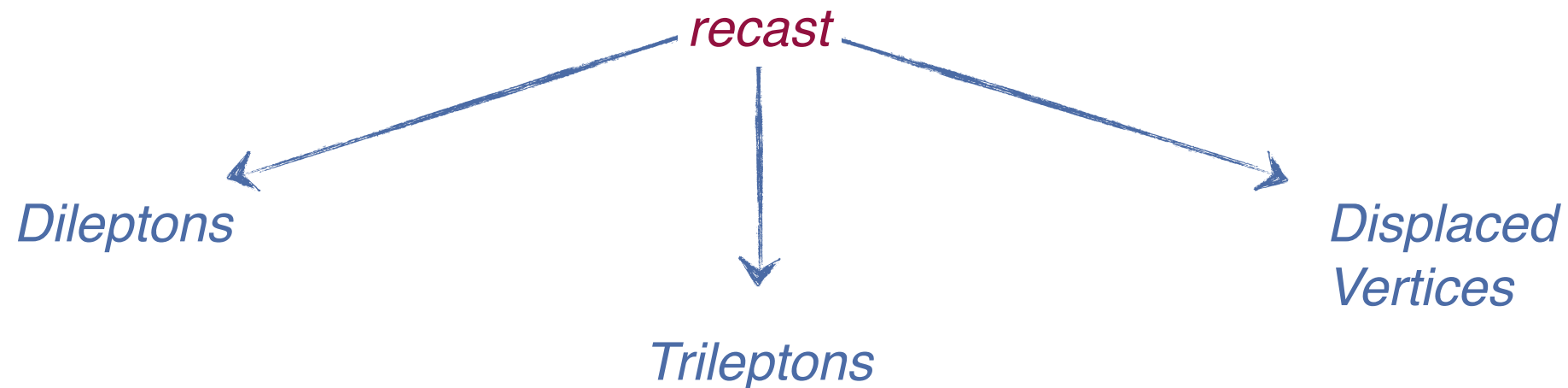


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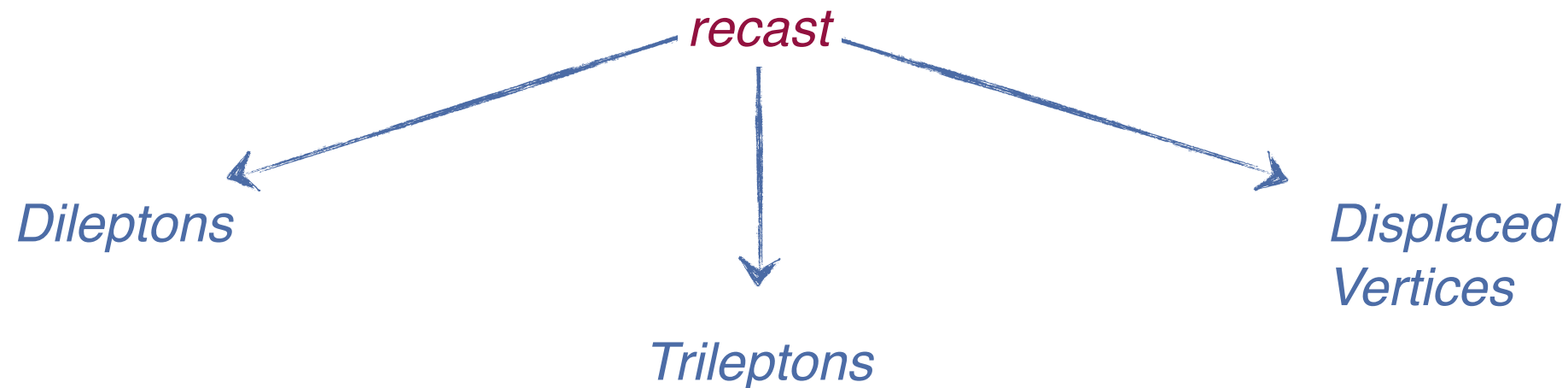


- *LHC is sensitive to very large mixings*

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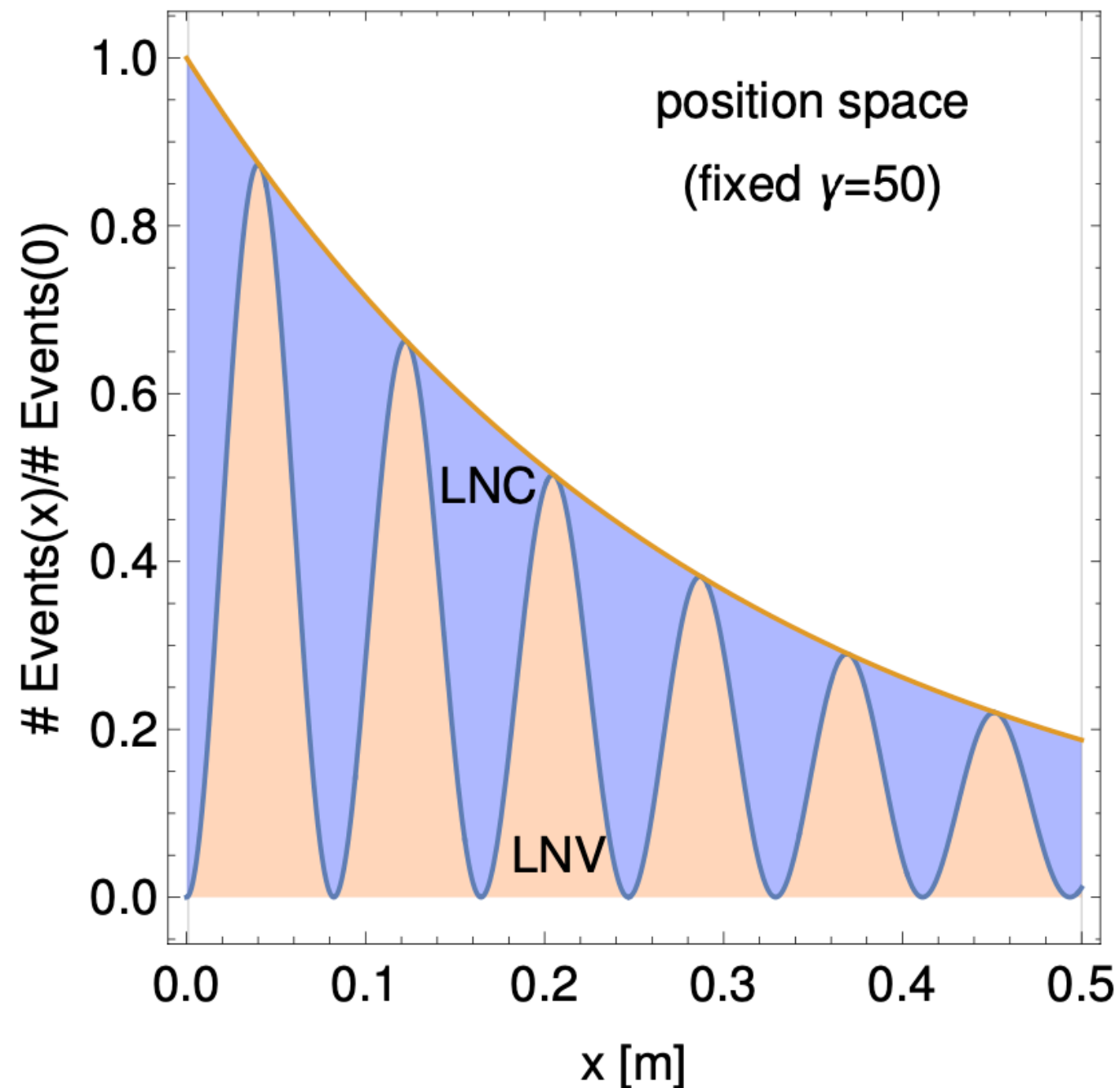
- LHC is sensitive to very large mixings

Calls for Symmetry Protected Low-Scale Seesaws —————→ *LV @ LHC???*

— talk by Stefan Antusch —

■ Potential oscillations between HNLs

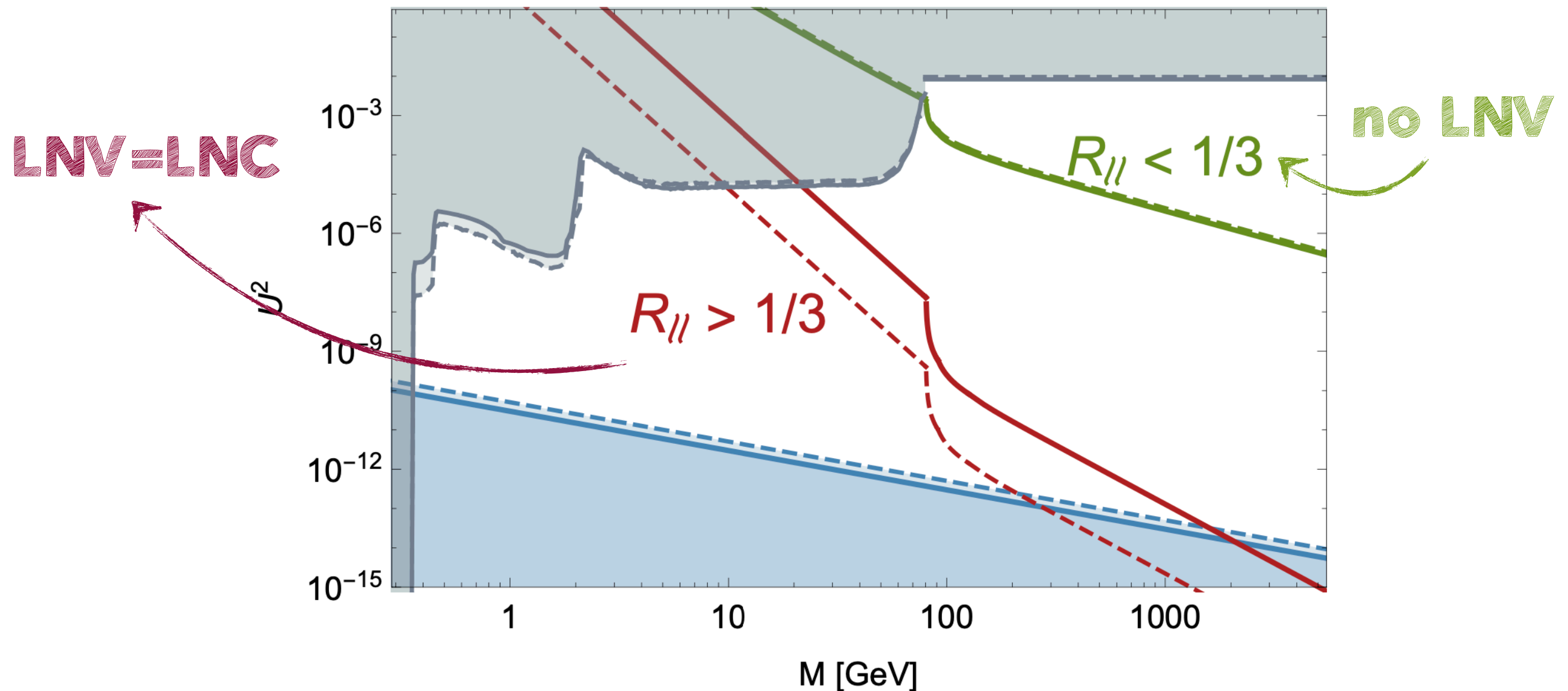
— Antusch et al [1709.03797] —



LNV IN SYMMETRY PROTECTED SCENARIOS

■ Connected to active neutrino masses

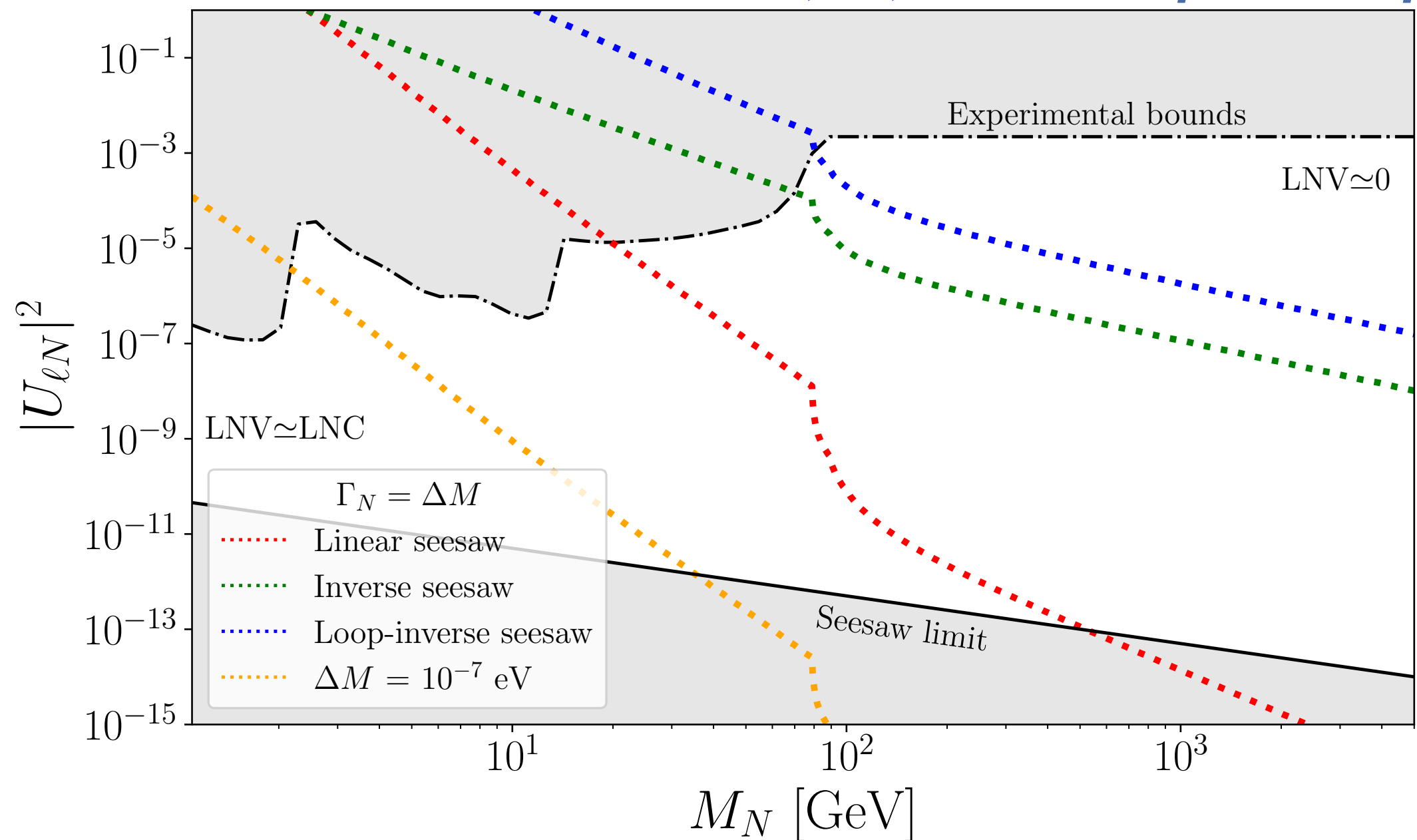
— Drewes et al [1907.13034] —



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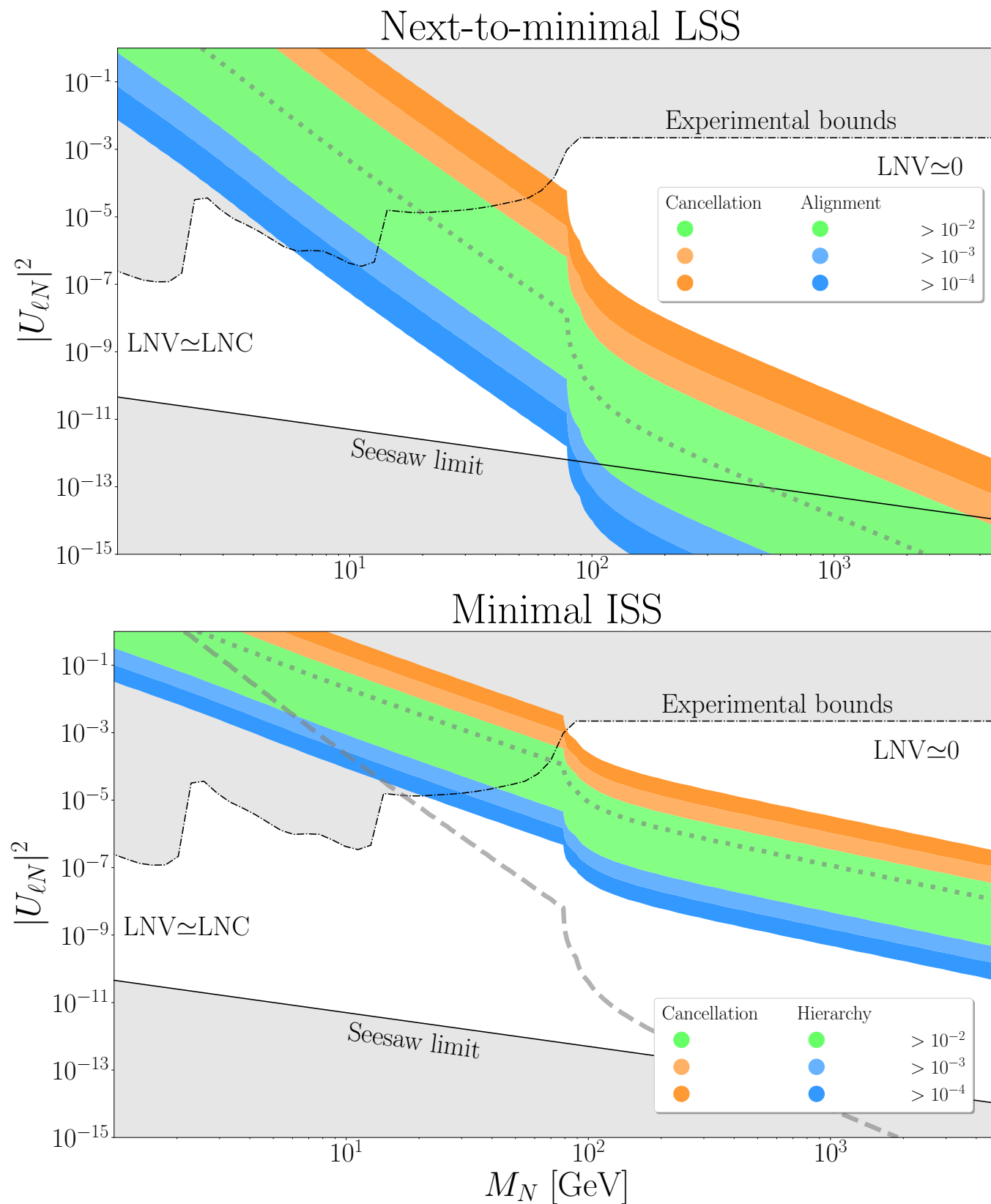
Discriminate between low-scale seesaws

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DISCRIMINATE BETWEEN LOW-SCALE SEESAWS

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SUMMARY

- *Colliders are good places to search for HNLs*
 - *LEP, LHC and more to come* —
- *LHC is already improving LEP*
- *Analyses are improving*
 - *trileptons, DV, OS dileptons* —
- *Still things to be improved*
 - *going beyond single mixing hypothesis* —
- *LNV signals still relevant for symmetry protected scenarios*
 - *help discriminating low-scale seesaws* —

Thank you!

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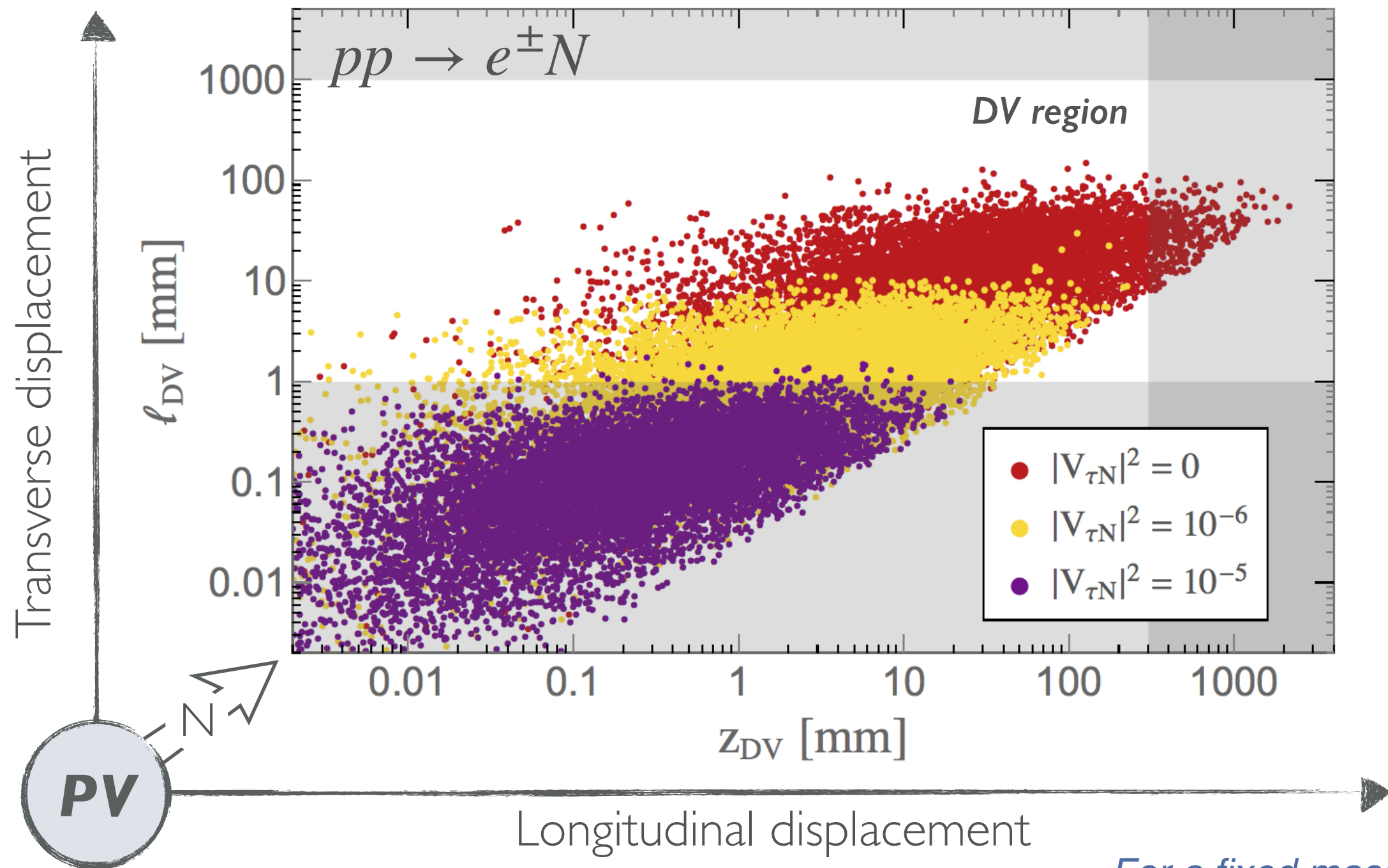


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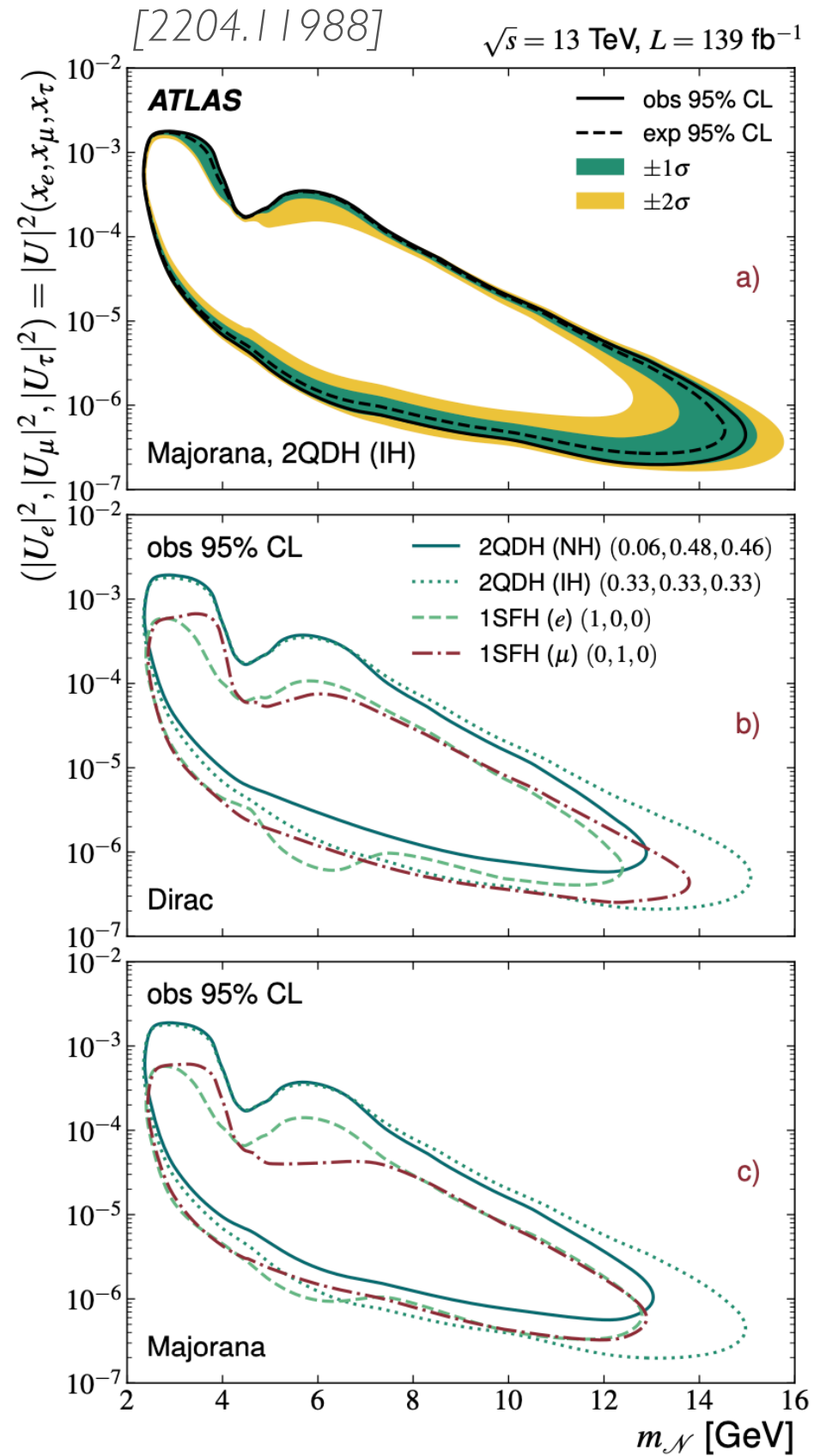
- The efficiency is highly mixing-pattern dependent

— Abada, Bernal, Losada, XM [1807.10024] —



— For a fixed mass and U_{eN} —

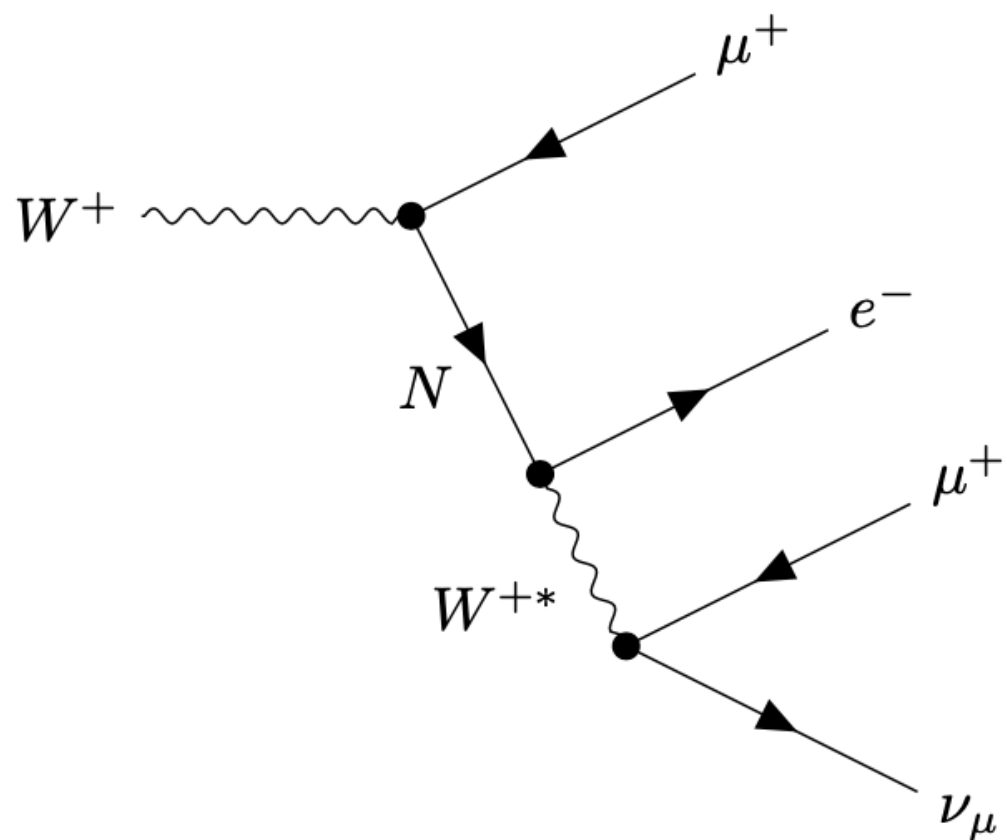
SINGLE MIXING — DV



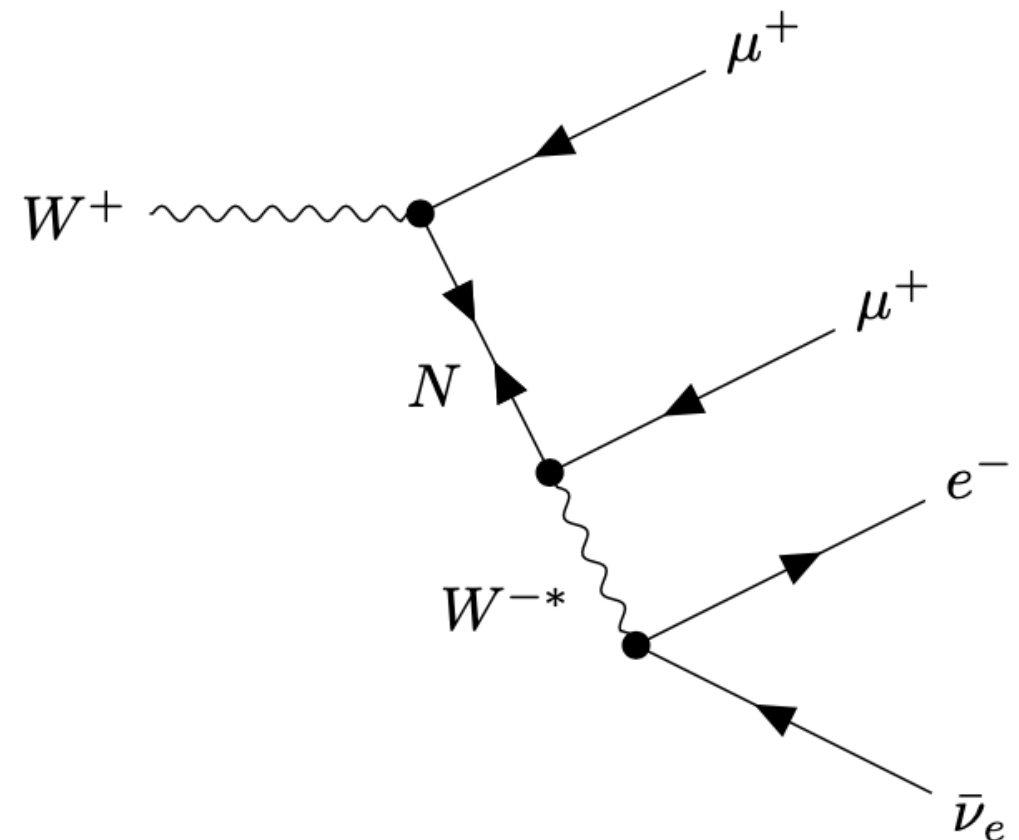
RECAST — TRILEPTONS

— Tastet et al [2107.12980] —

■ More mixings, more diagrams



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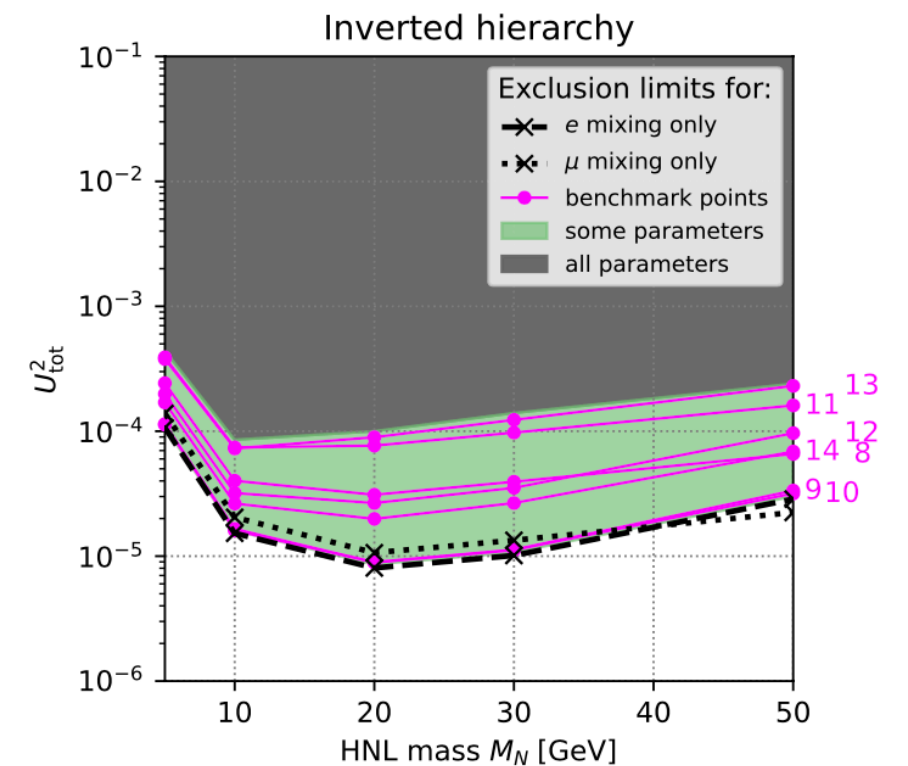
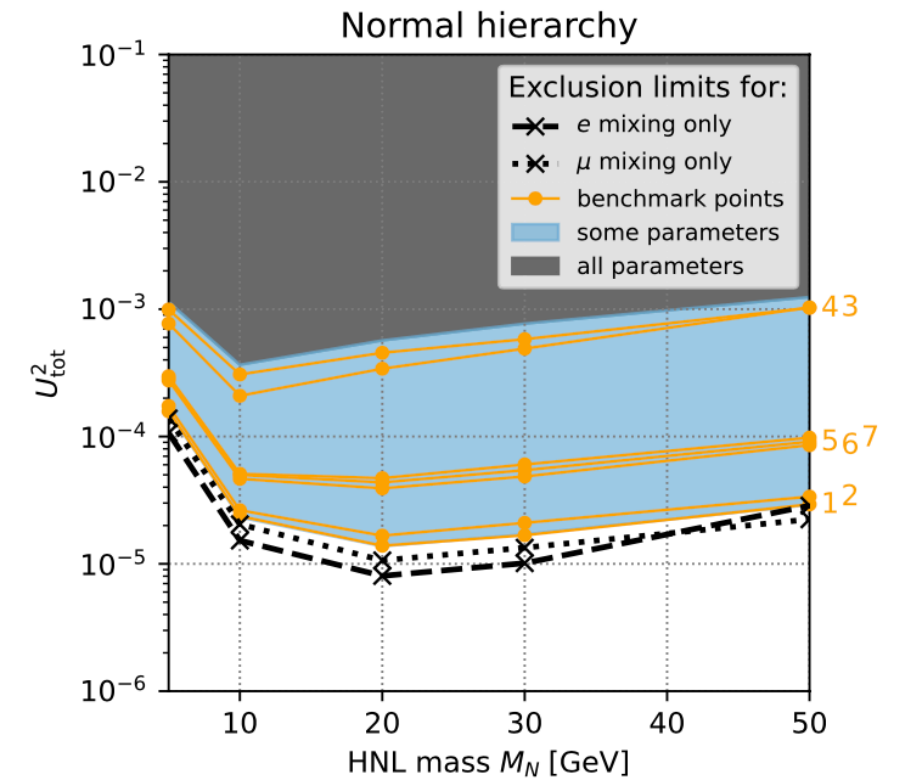
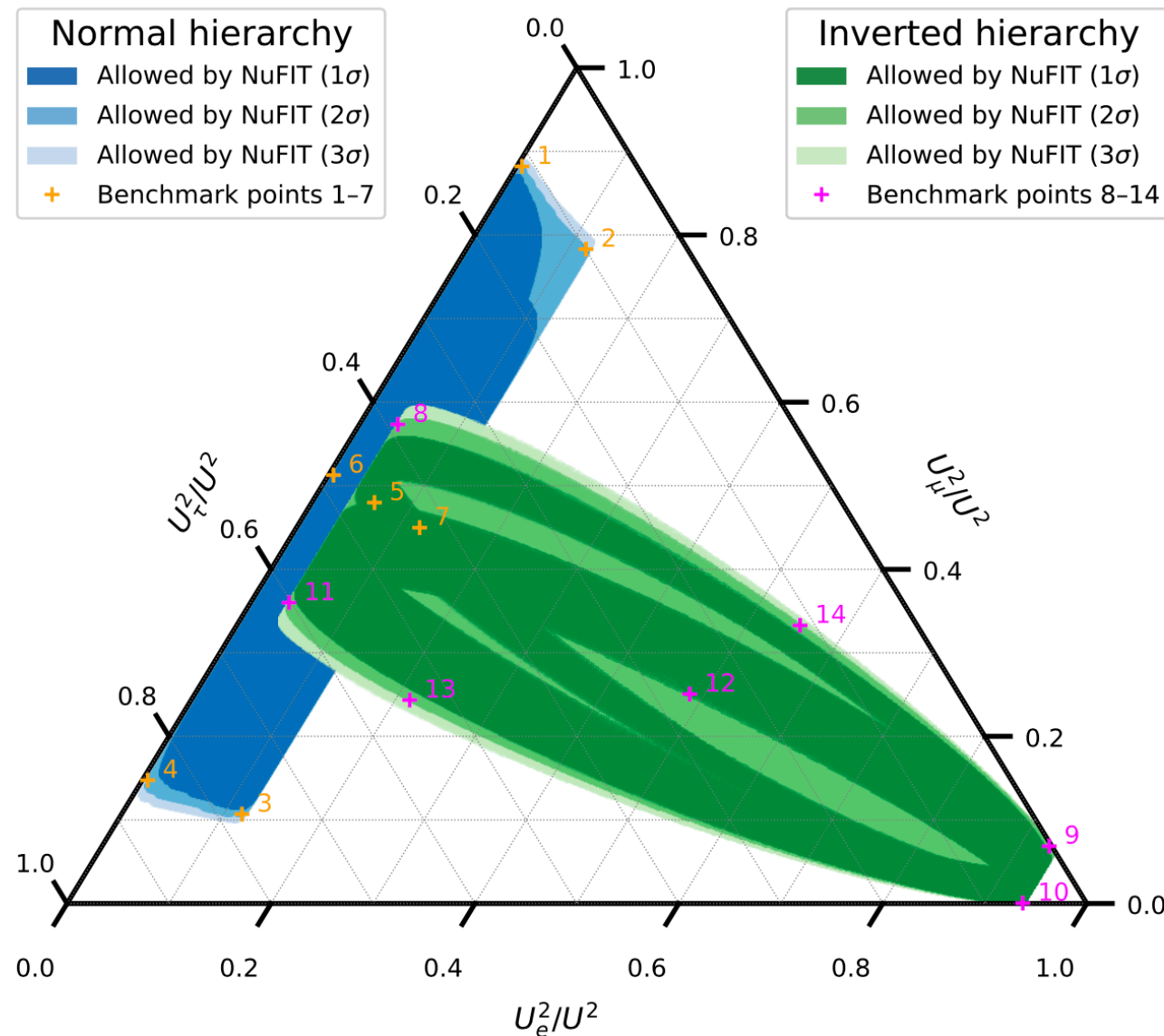


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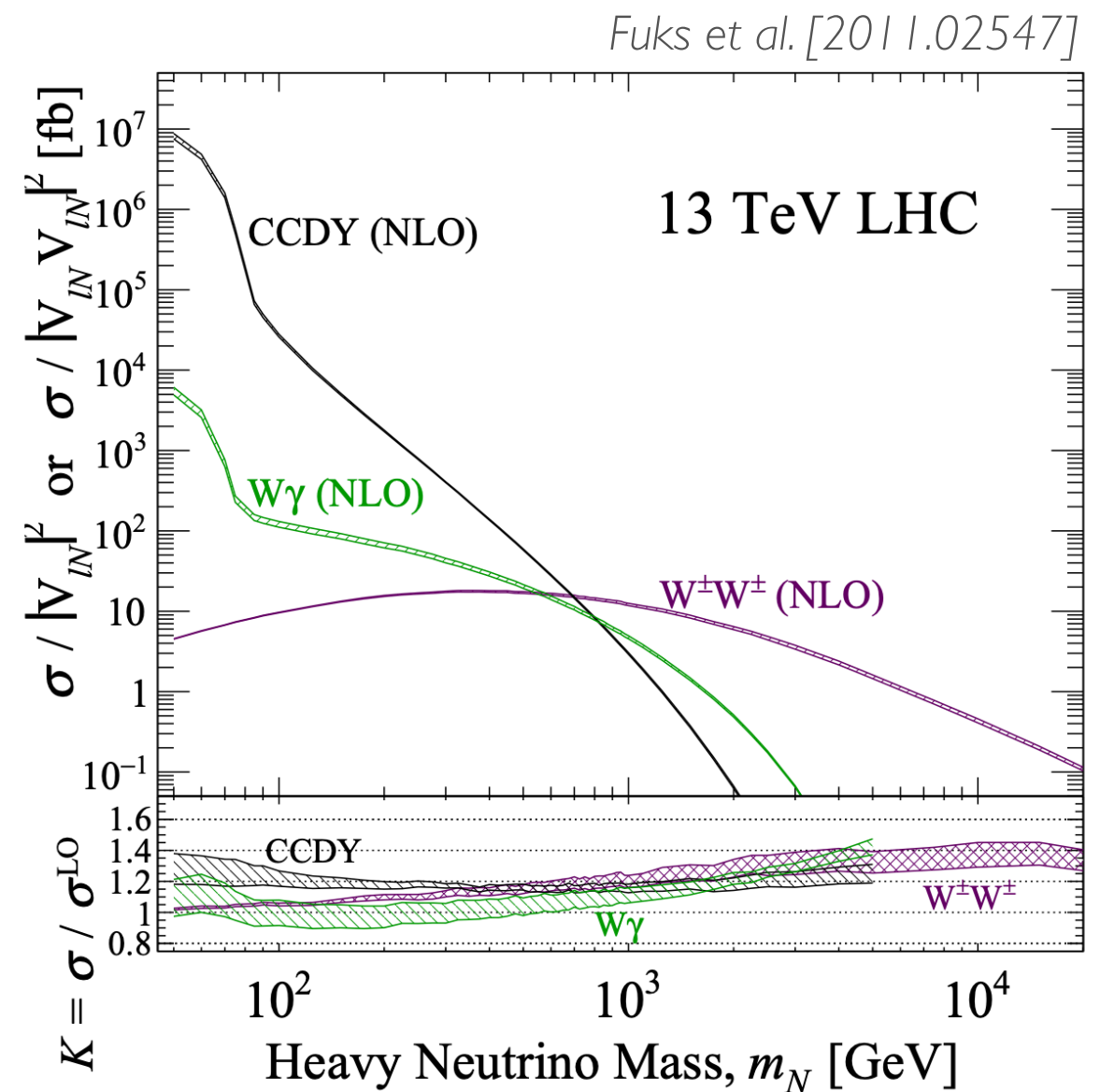
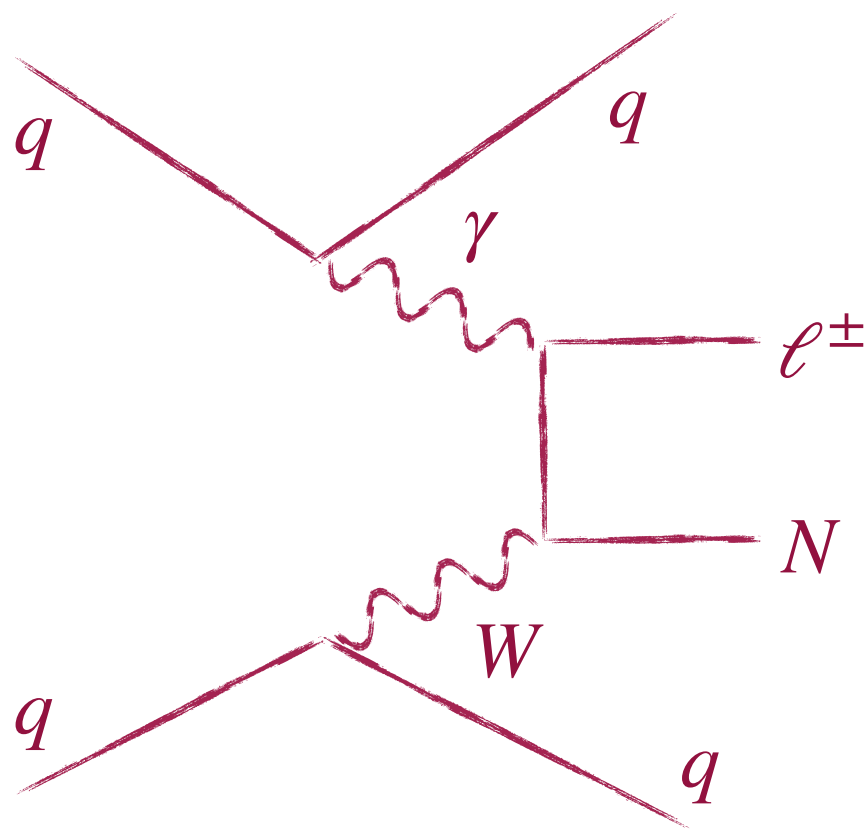
Simplest realistic framework

— *Tastet et al [2107.12980]* —



HNL PRODUCTION

- Dominant diagrams: Drell-Yan W and Z (and Higgs?)
- For higher masses, also Vector Boson Fusion



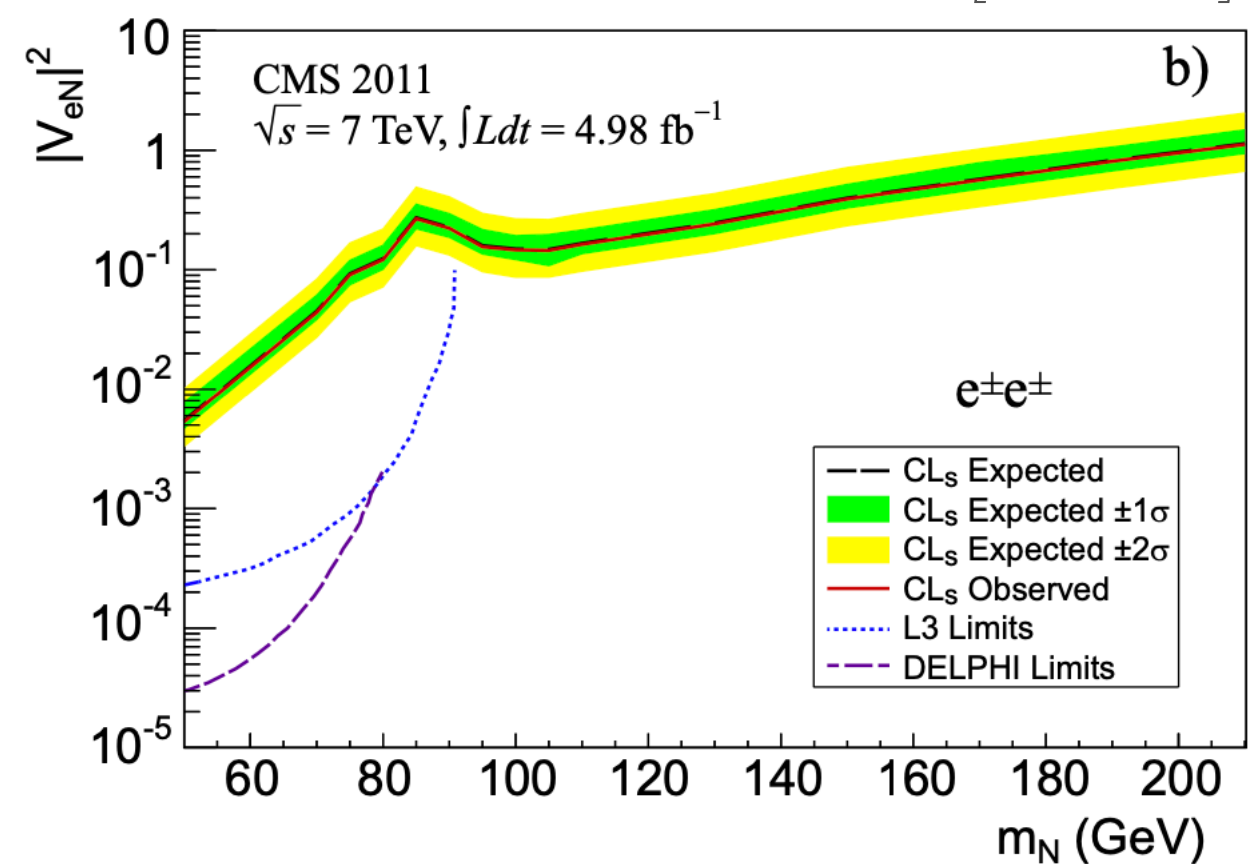
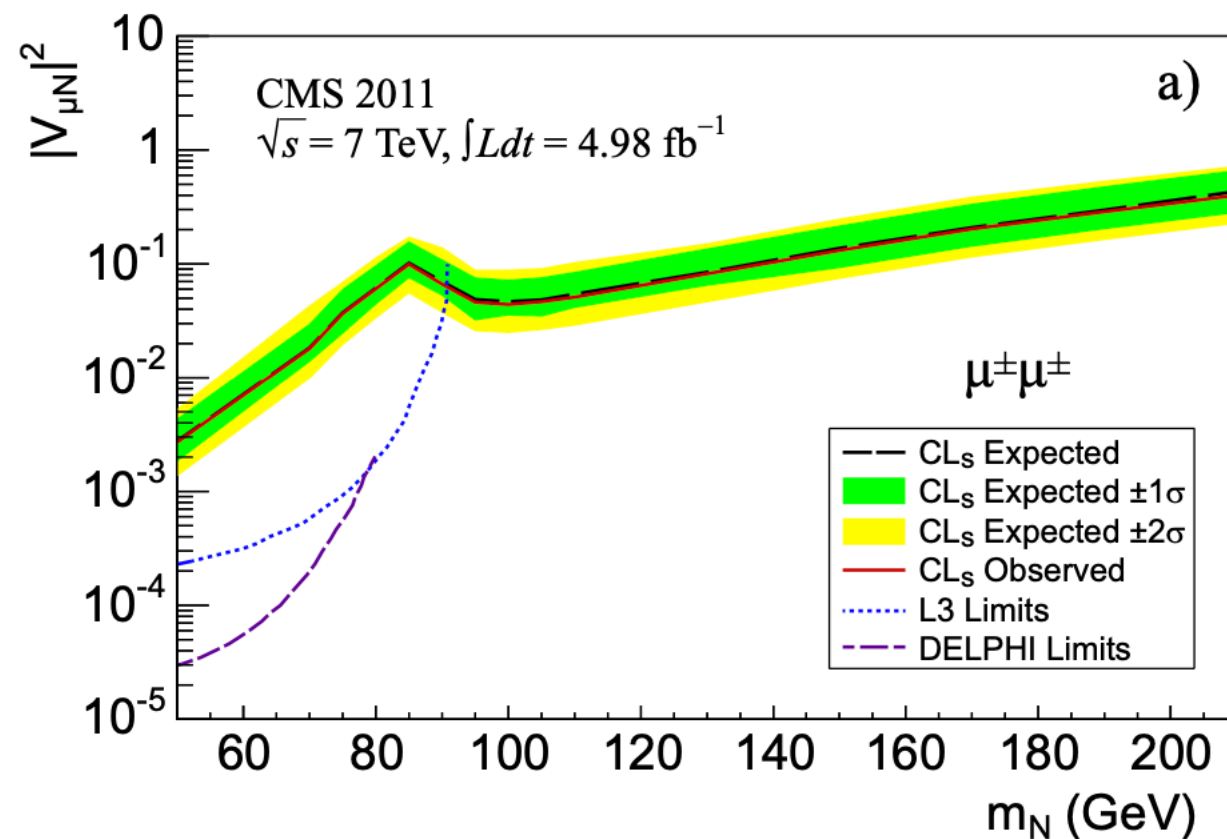
DI-LEPTONS AT LHC

■ Same sign dilepton channel

— LNV signature —

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[1207.6079]

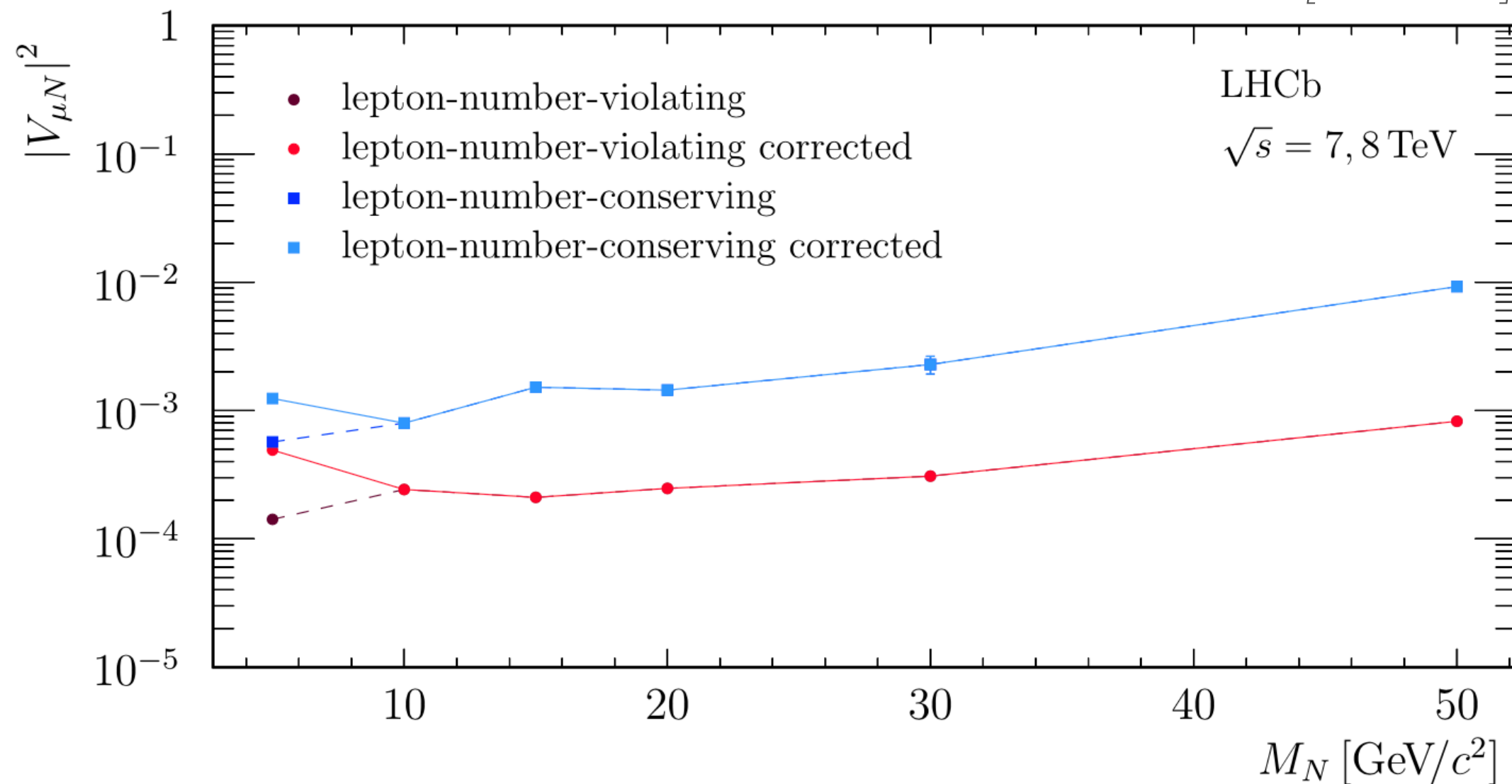


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■ *LNC searches are also possible*

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[2011.05263]

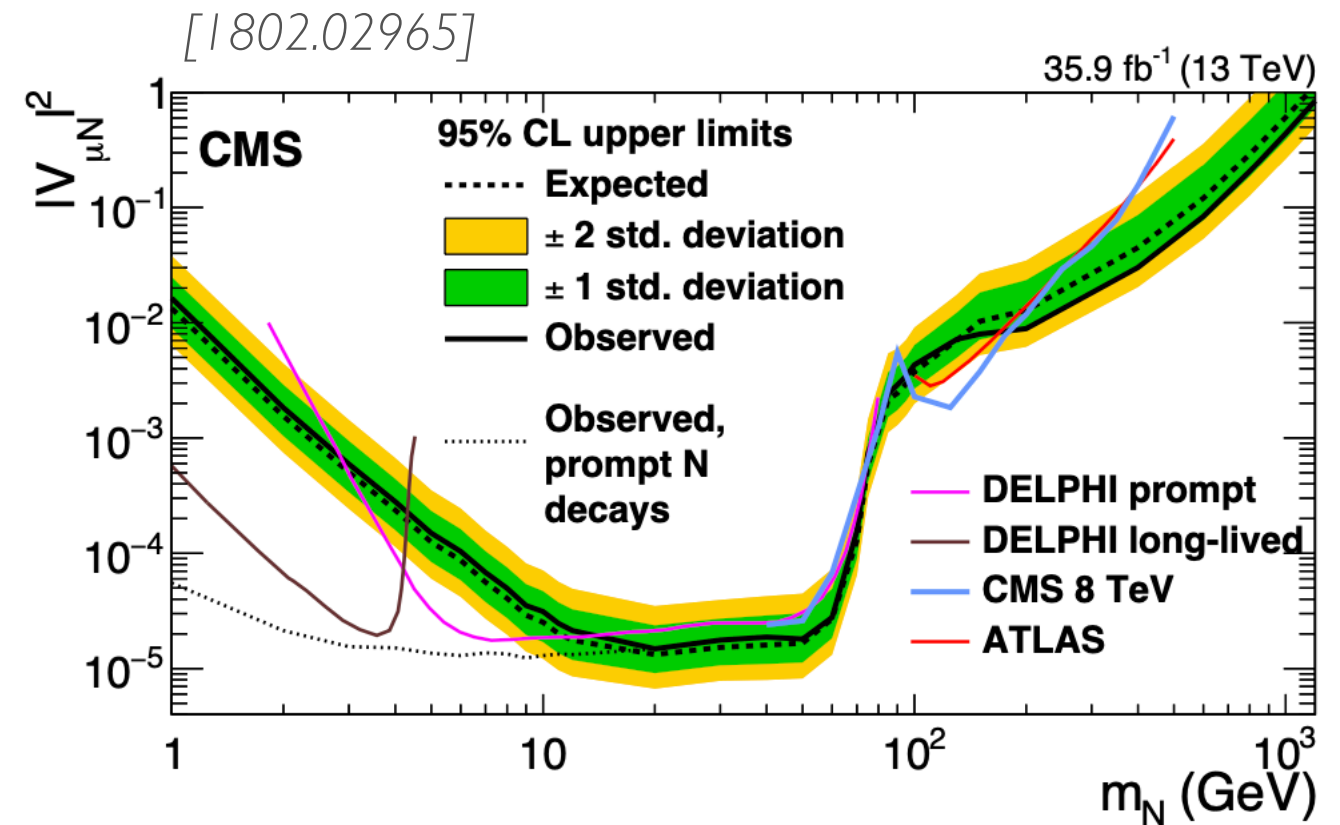
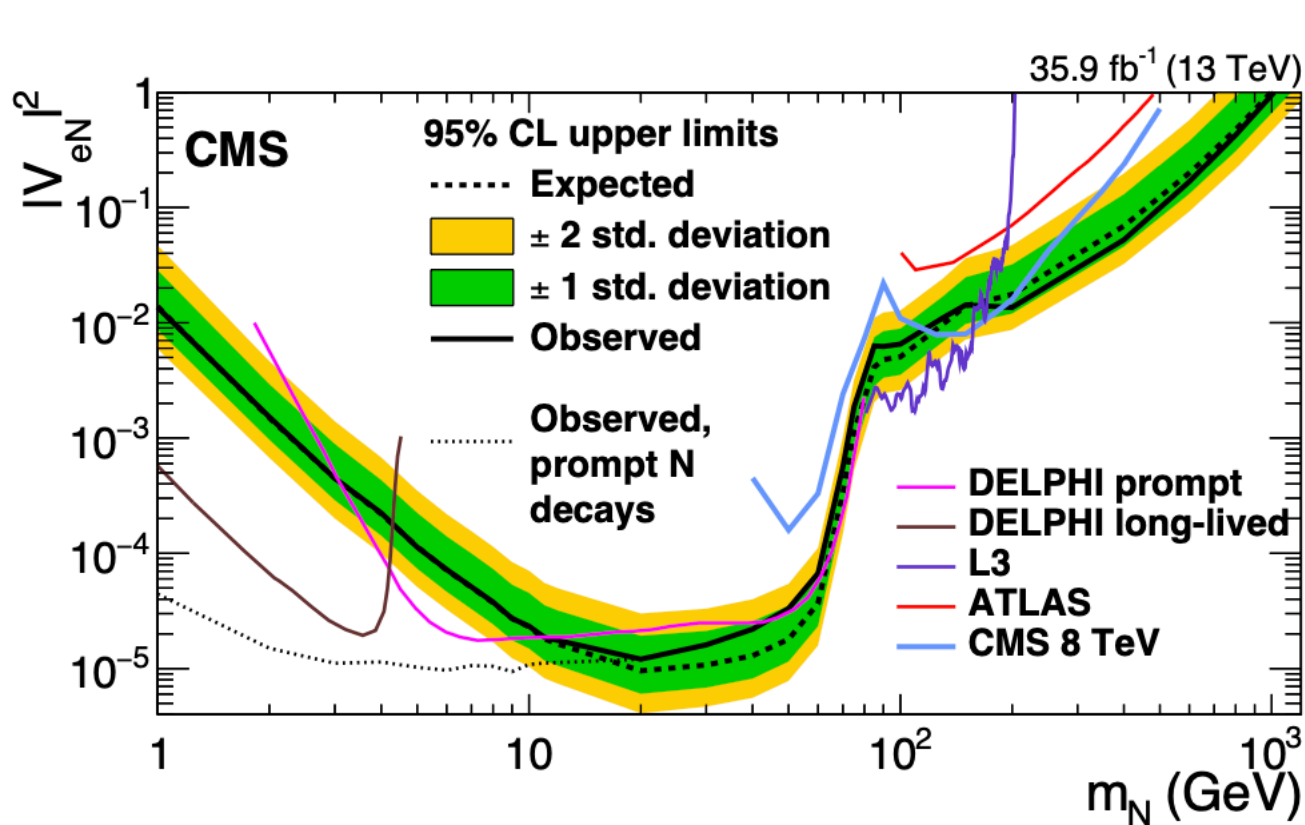


TRI-LEPTONS AT LHC

■ *Trilepton*

— *LNV signature?* —

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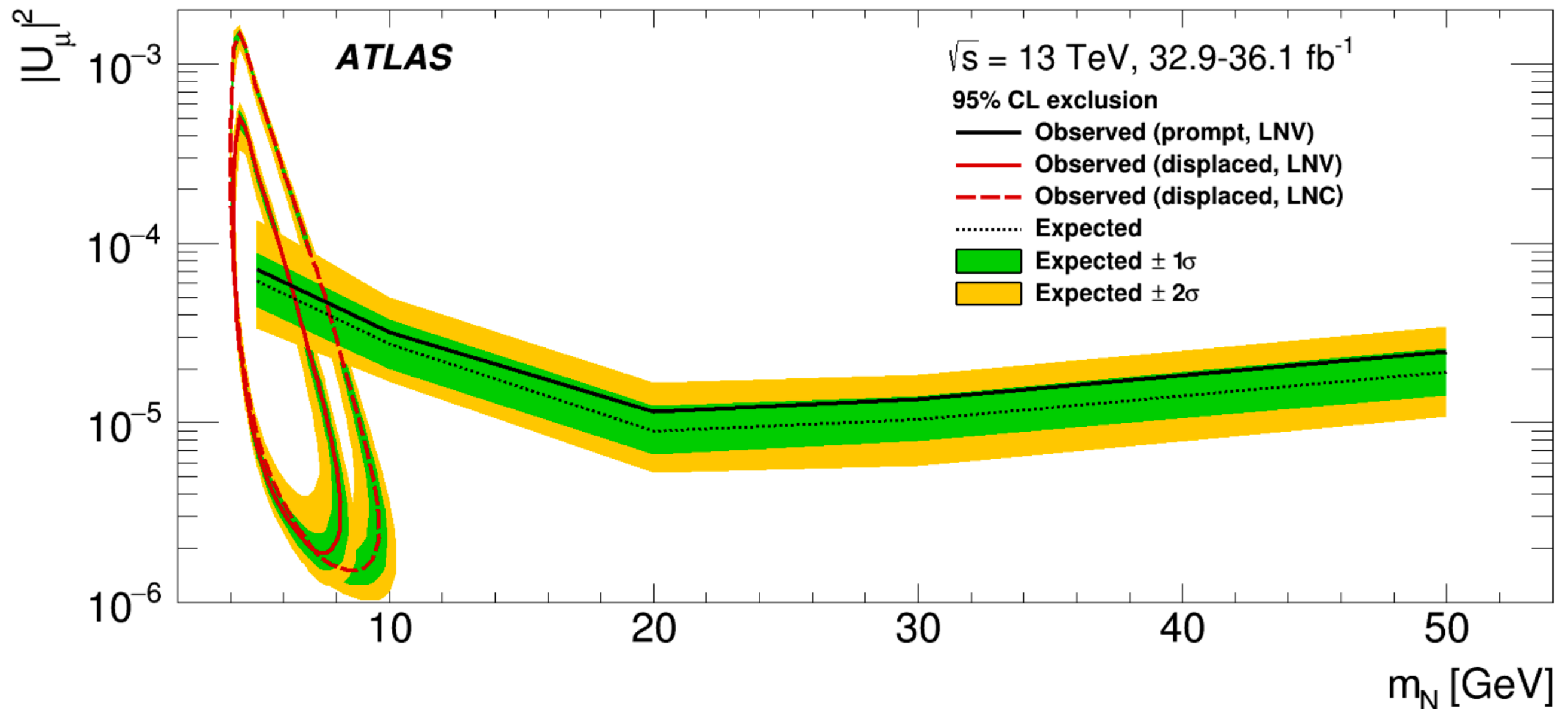
LONG-LIVED AT LHC

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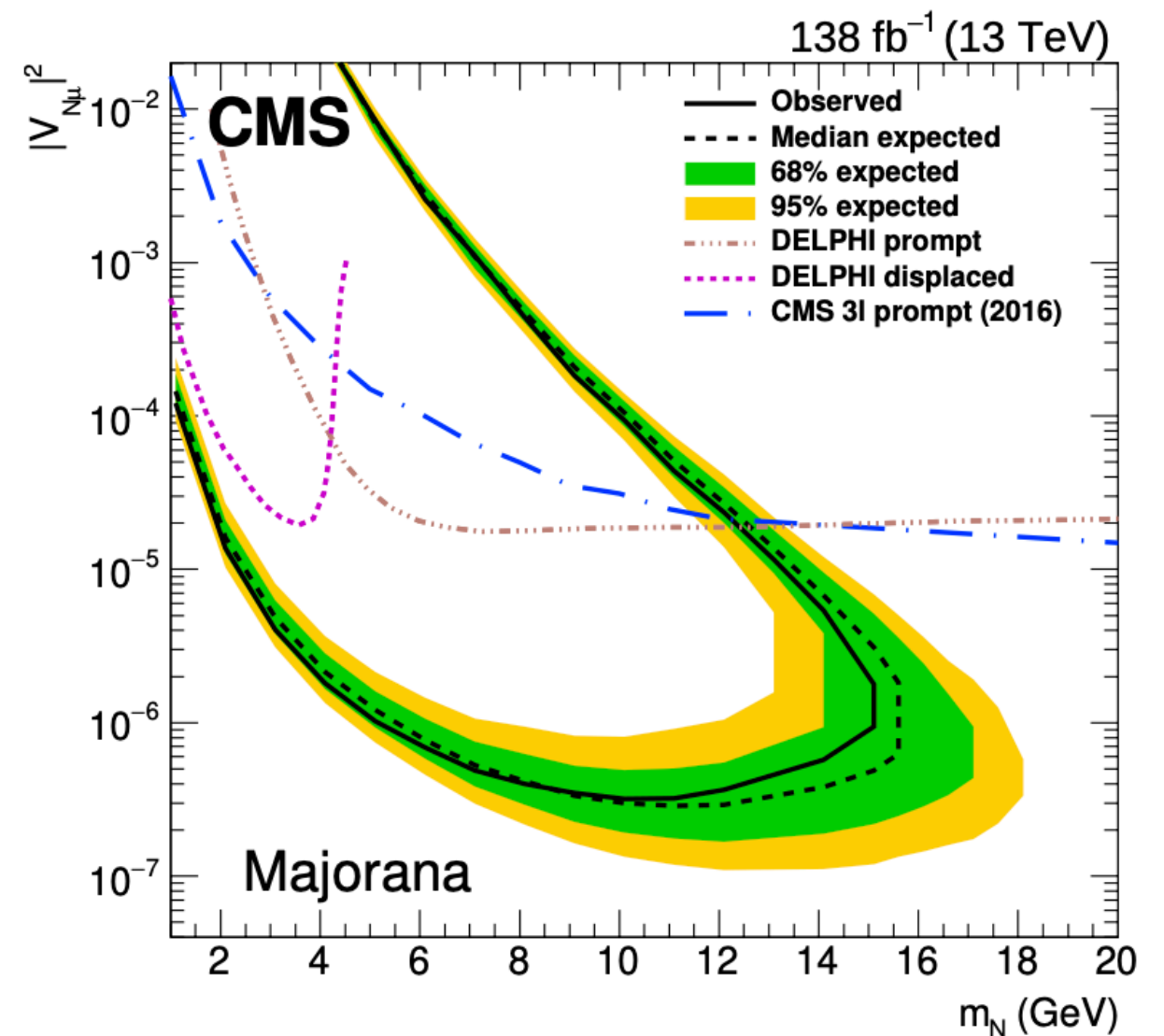
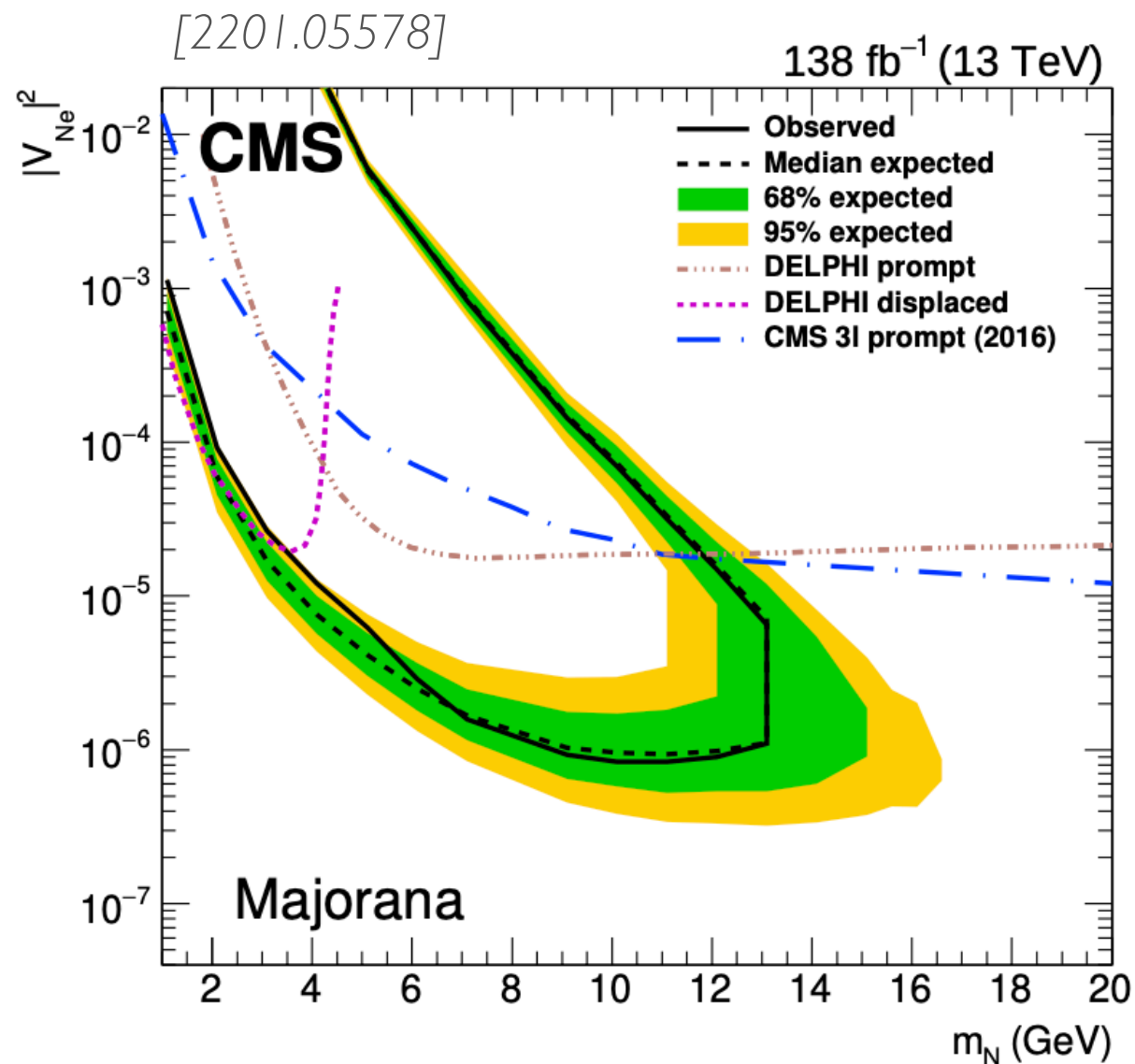


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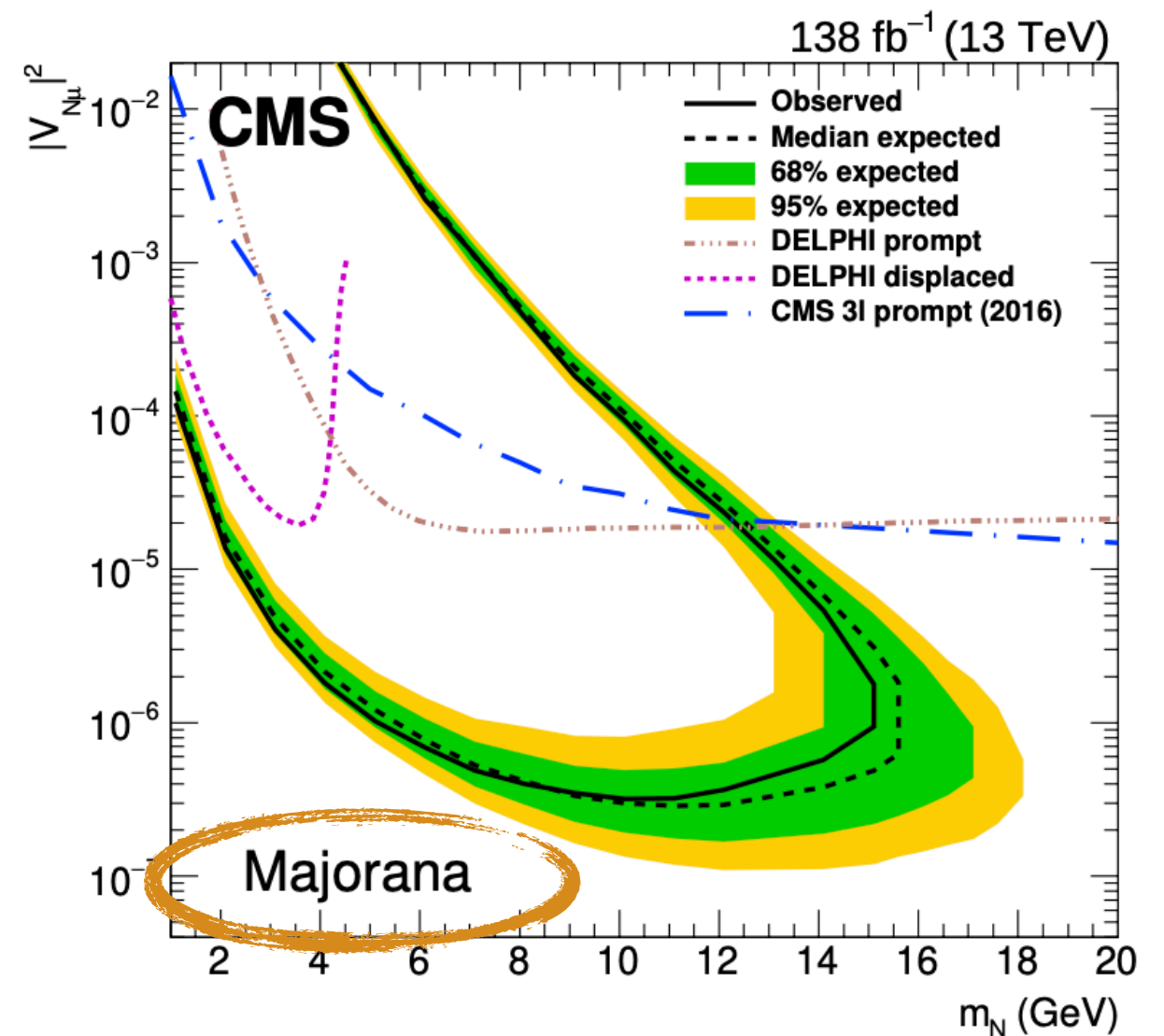
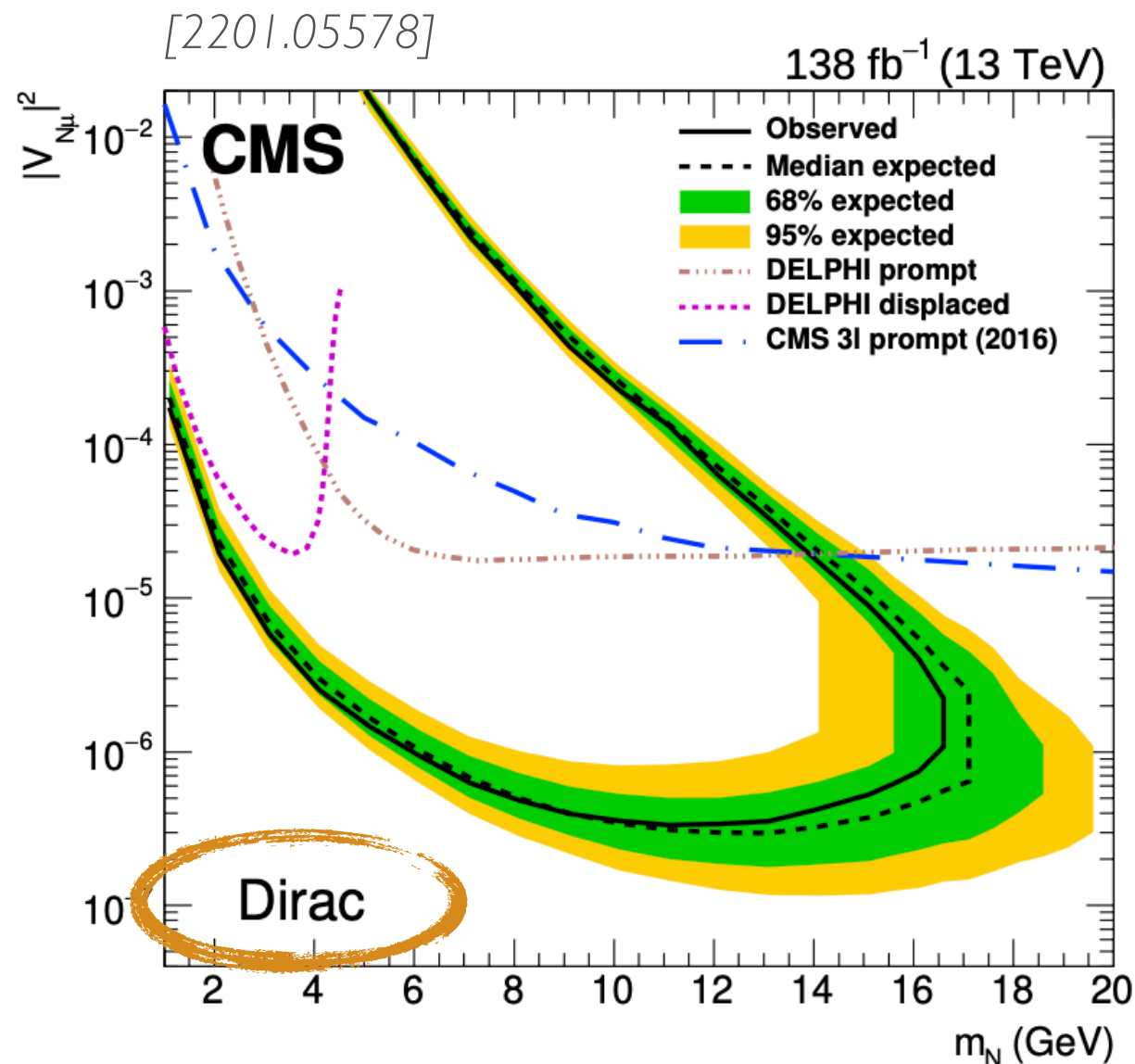


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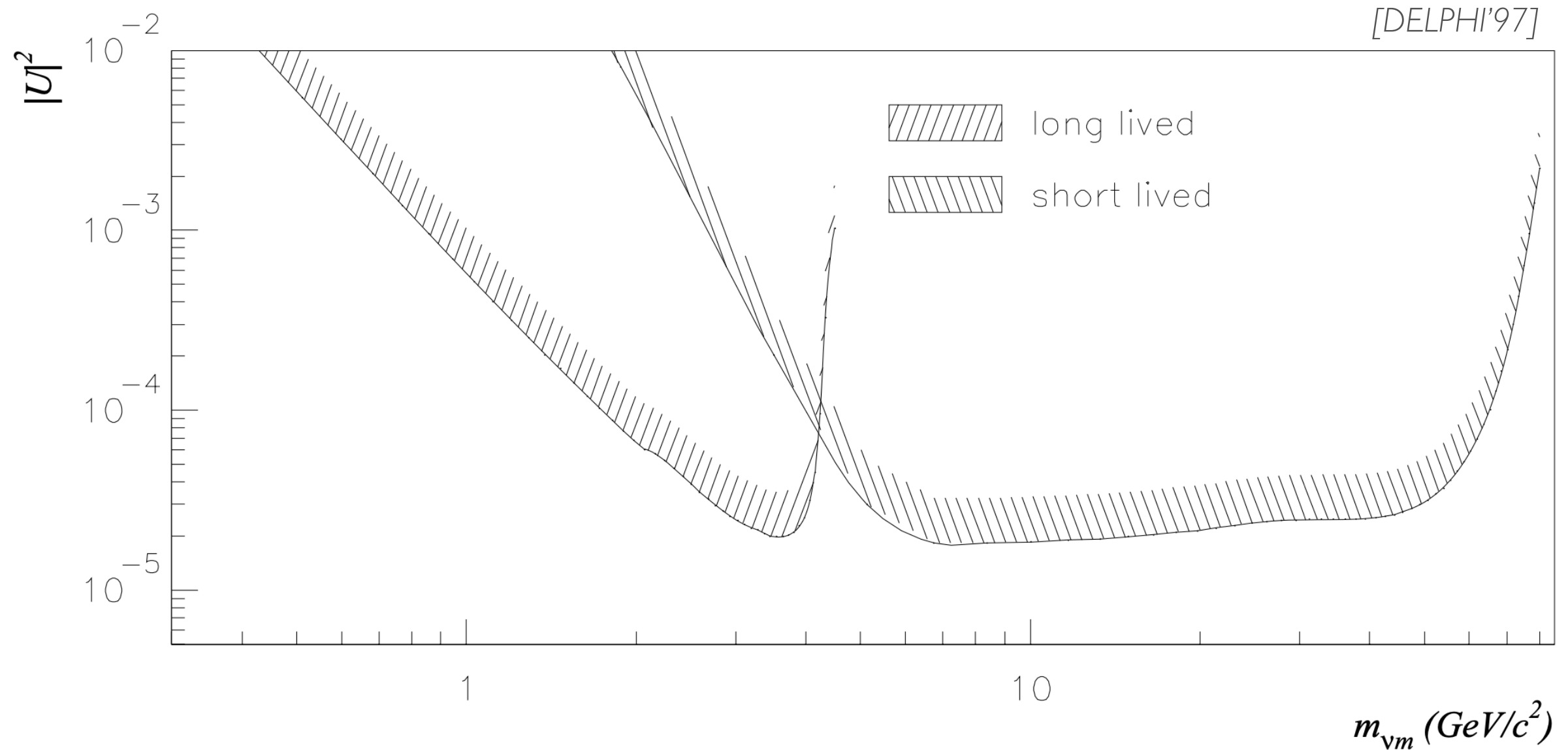
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■ *Light HNL: Drell-Yan Z (on-shell)*

— *Sensitive to all flavor mixings* —

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow \nu N \rightarrow \nu/\ell + nj$$



■ Heavy HNL: t -channel W

— Sensitive to electron mixing —

