



# Connecting Dark Matter with flavor puzzle

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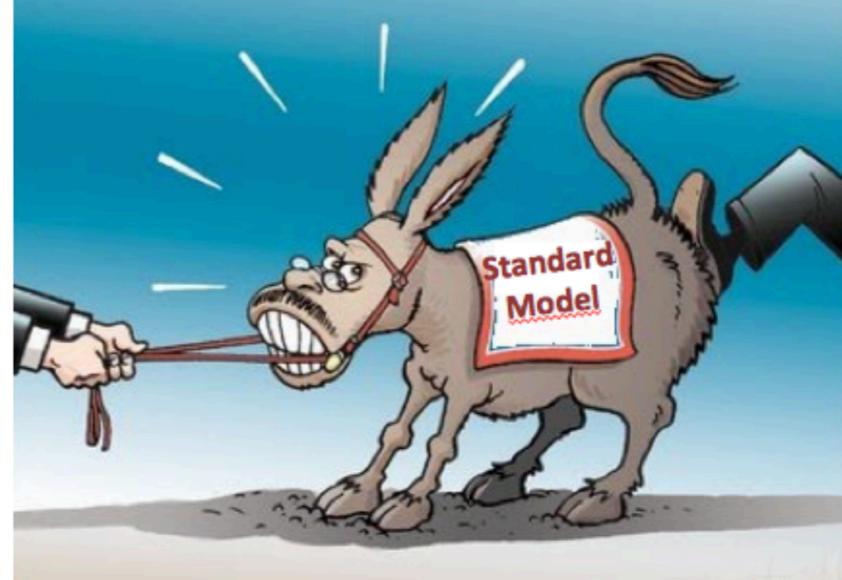
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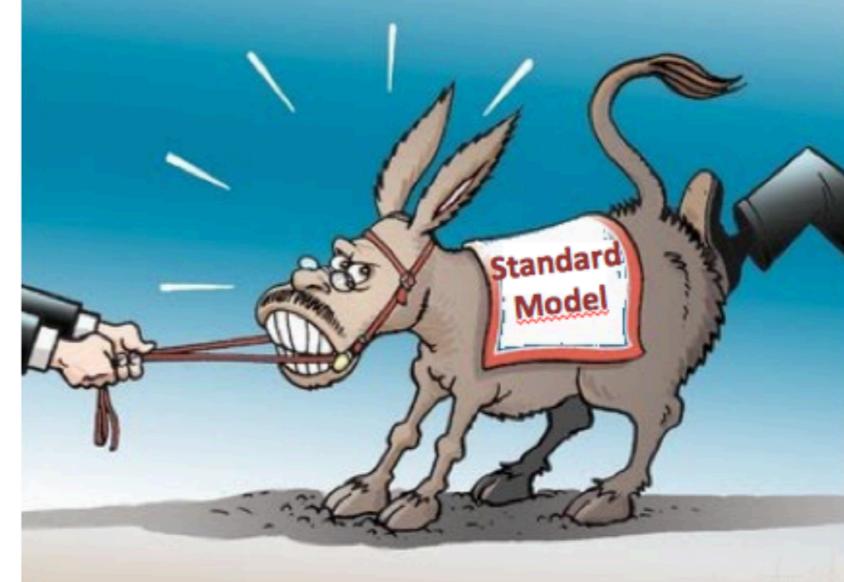
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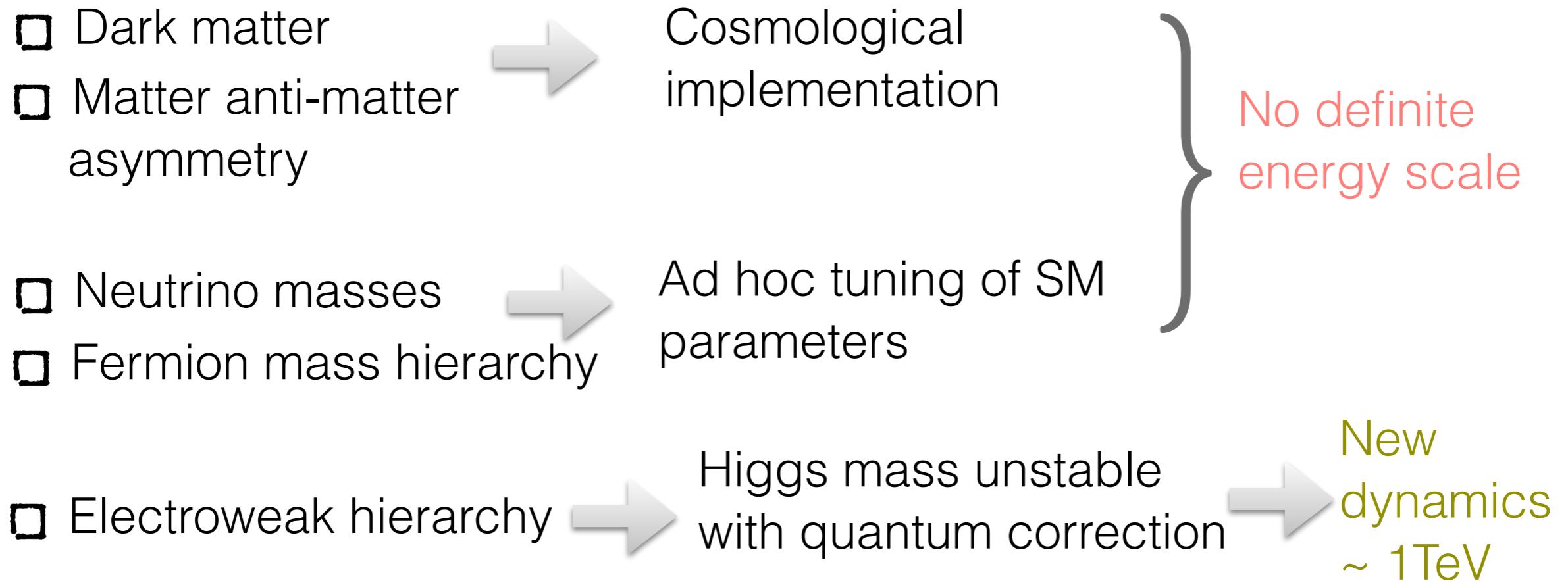
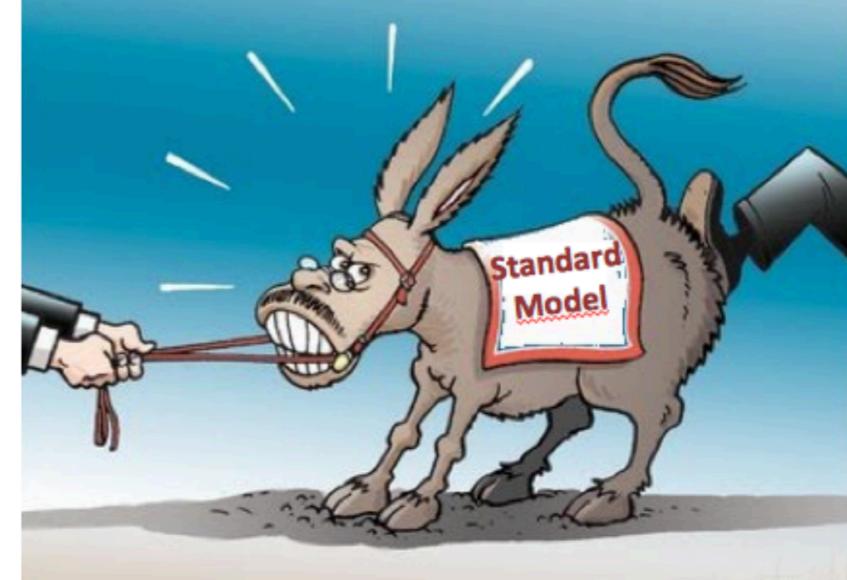
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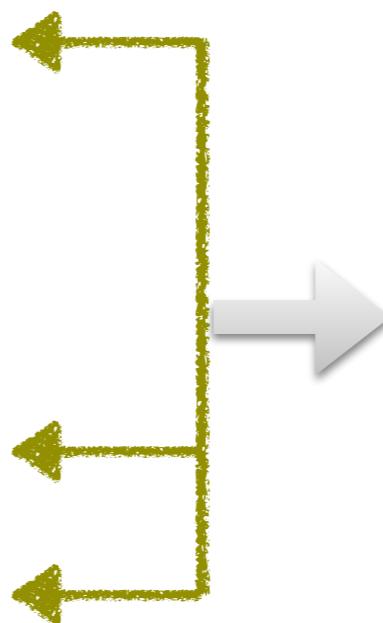
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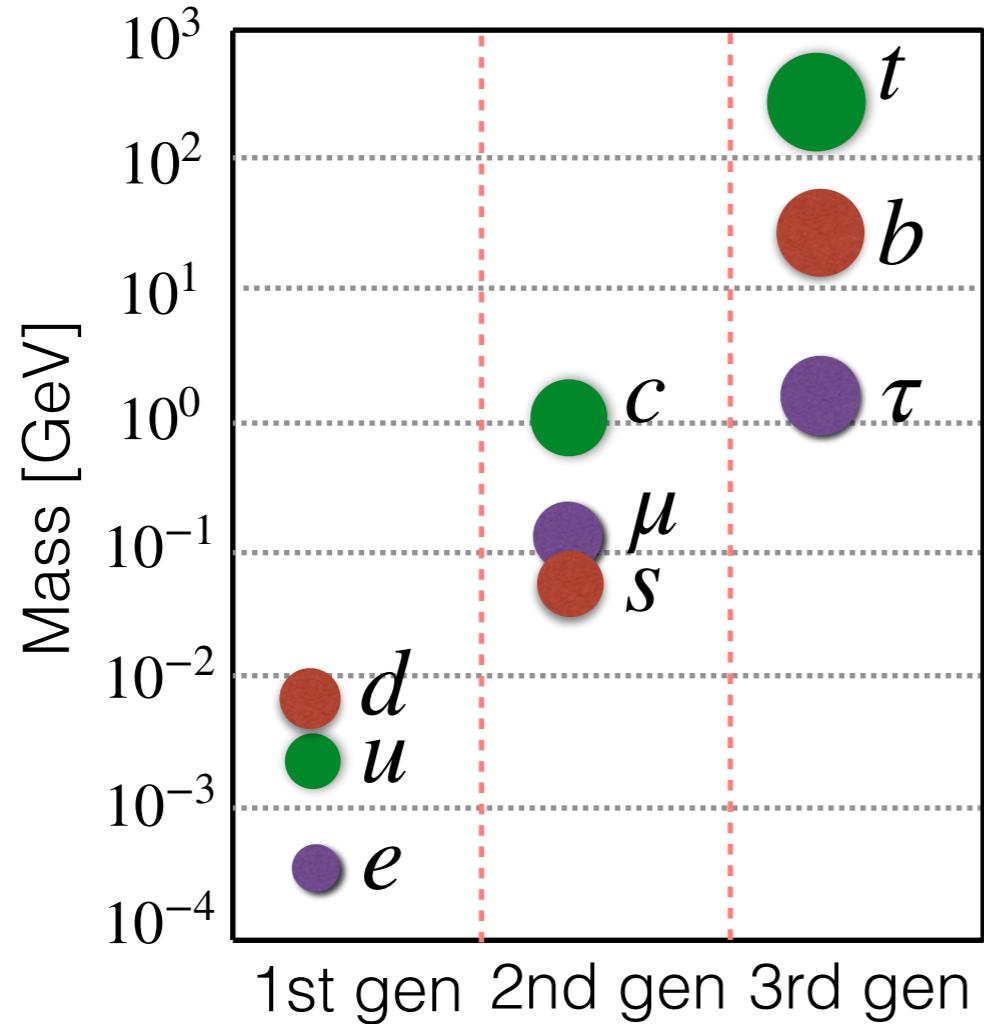
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Make a connection  
in EFT approach

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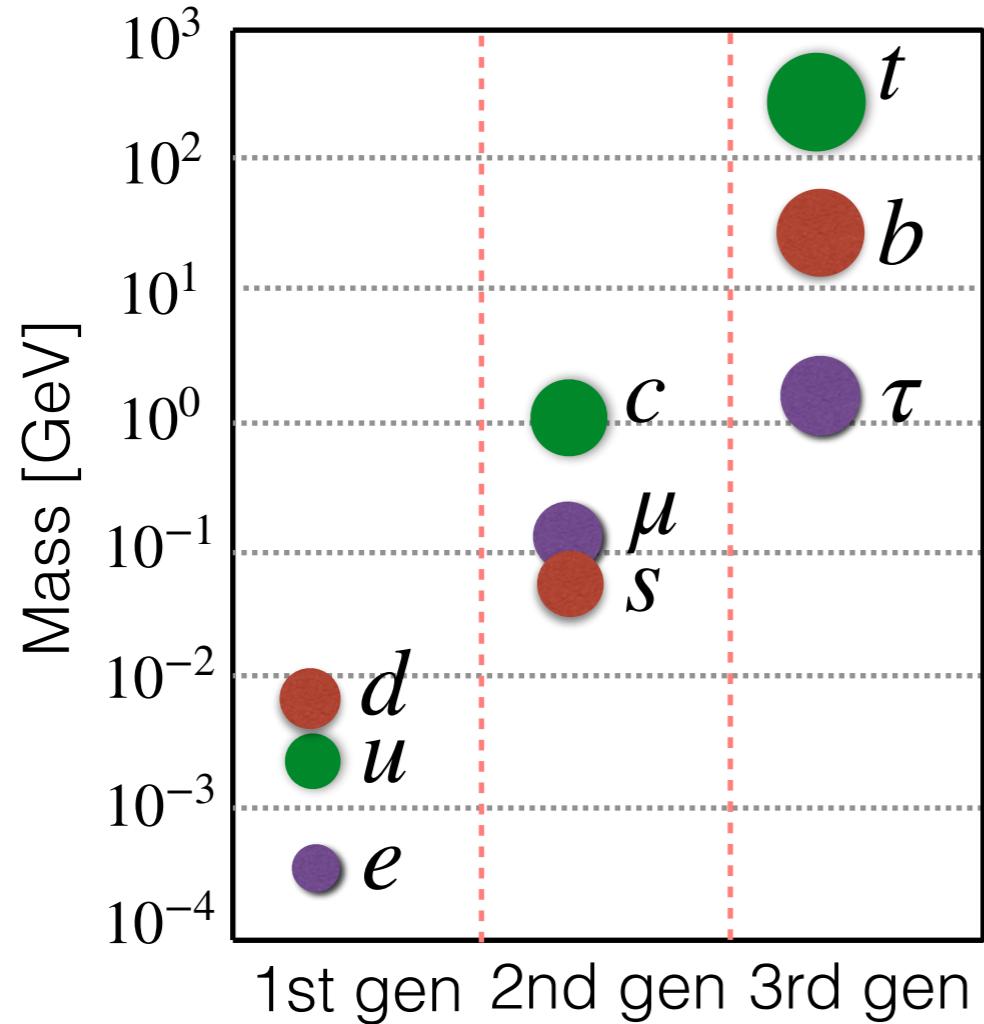
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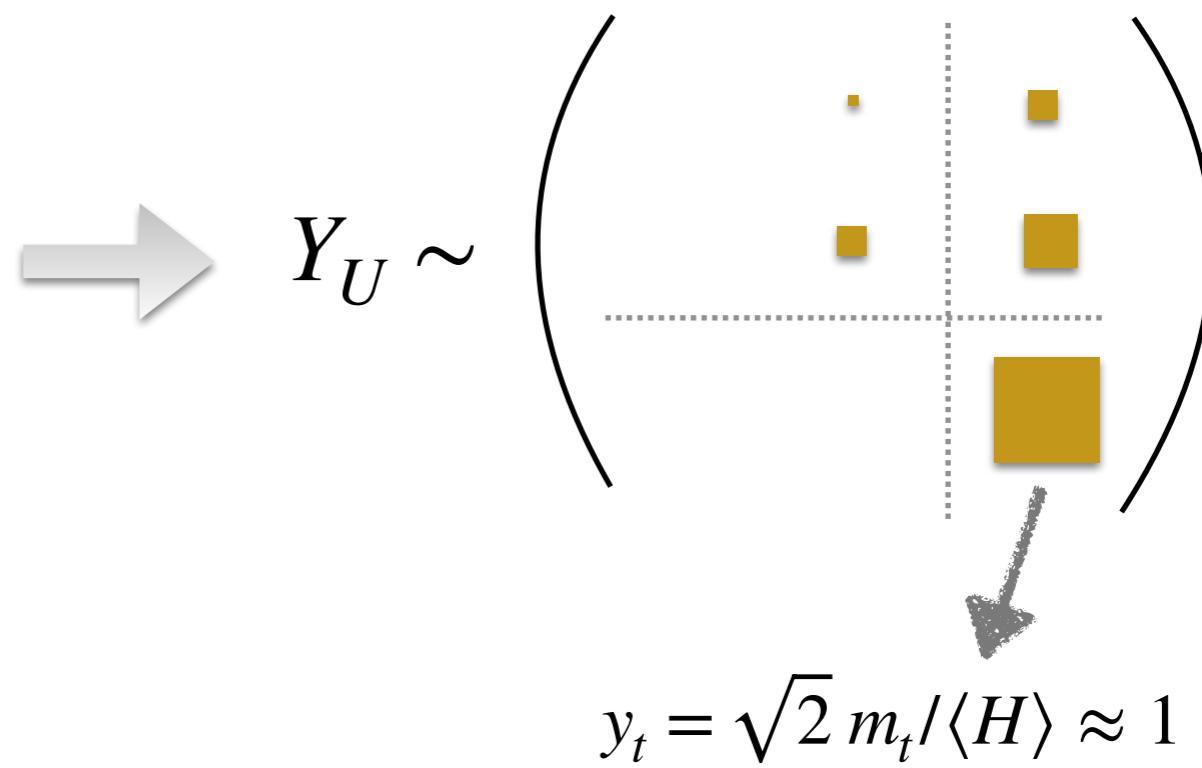
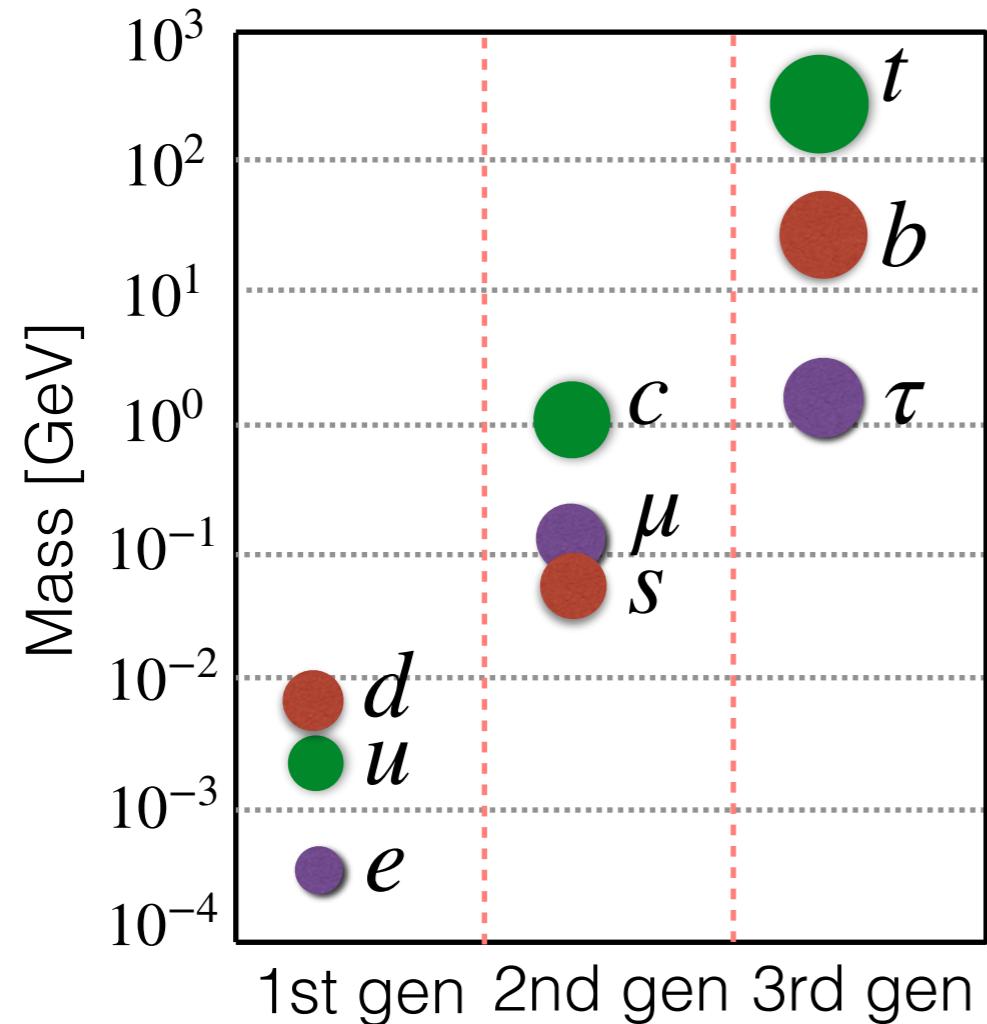
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Broken by Higgs:  
Yukawa interaction

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- SM Yukawa sector contains **large** no. of free parameters



Masses & mixing angles don't look accidental  
— Old flavor puzzle

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[Froggatt, Nielsen '79]

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Flavon  $\phi$    $v_\phi + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(s + ia)$   Yukawa Matrices  $\sim \left(\frac{v_\phi}{M}\right)^{n_x^{ij}} \equiv \lambda^{n_x^{ij}}$

$c \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  numbers up to overall phase

FN charges should produce observed mass and mixing pattern

# Froggatt-Neilsen charges

- ▶ SM flavor structure— fermion masses and CKM matrix

$$V_{CKM} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda & 1 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow (V_{U_L}^\dagger V_{D_L})_{ij} \sim \lambda^{|b_Q^i - b_Q^j|}$$

- Fixes LH quark charges up to common off-set  $d$  (not relevant for pheno)

$$b_Q = (3 + d, 2 + d, d) \quad b_Q = (3 + d, 4 + d, 6 + d)$$

- Combinations of LH & RH charges constrained by masses

$$y_u \sim \lambda^{|b_Q^1 - b_U^1|} \approx \lambda^8$$

$$y_d \sim \lambda^{|b_Q^1 - b_D^1|} \approx \lambda^7$$

$$y_e \sim \lambda^{|b_L^1 - b_E^1|} \approx \lambda^9$$

$$y_c \sim \lambda^{|b_Q^2 - b_U^2|} \approx \lambda^4$$

$$y_s \sim \lambda^{|b_Q^2 - b_D^2|} \approx \lambda^5$$

$$y_\mu \sim \lambda^{|b_L^2 - b_E^2|} \approx \lambda^5$$

$$y_t \sim \lambda^{|b_Q^3 - b_U^3|} \approx \lambda^0$$

$$y_b \sim \lambda^{|b_Q^3 - b_D^3|} \approx \lambda^3$$

$$y_\tau \sim \lambda^{|b_L^3 - b_E^3|} \approx \lambda^3$$

- ▶ Charged Lepton mixing unknown → freedom in lepton charges

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- Interaction of (pseudo)scalar flavon to fermions **are nearly fixed**

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{scalar}} = ia \left( (g_+^f)_{ij} \bar{f}^i \gamma_5 f^j + (g_-^f)_{ij} \bar{f}^i f^j \right) + s \left( (g_+^f)_{ij} \bar{f}^i f^j + (g_-^f)_{ij} \bar{f}^i \gamma_5 f^j \right)$$

  
 $\frac{m_j^f + m_i^f}{v_\phi}$        $\frac{m_j^f - m_i^f}{v_\phi}$

 FCNC generated  
@tree level

SM flavor pattern generated

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& heavy neutrinos

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→ Other two RHN generate light neutrino masses via seesaw

$$m_\nu \sim \frac{v_{\text{EW}}^2}{M} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & \\ & \epsilon^{2q_{L_2}} & \\ & & \epsilon^{2q_{L_3}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$U_{\text{PMNS}} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \epsilon^{q_{L_1} - q_{L_2}} & \epsilon^{q_{L_1} - q_{L_3}} \\ \epsilon^{q_{L_1} - q_{L_2}} & 1 & \epsilon^{q_{L_2} - q_{L_3}} \\ \epsilon^{q_{L_1} - q_{L_3}} & \epsilon^{q_{L_2} - q_{L_3}} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Freedom in charged lepton FN charges reduced

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- Scalar mass  $m_s \propto v_\phi$
- Pseudo scalar mass due to soft breaking  $m_a \ll m_s$
- DM mass  $m_{\text{DM}}$

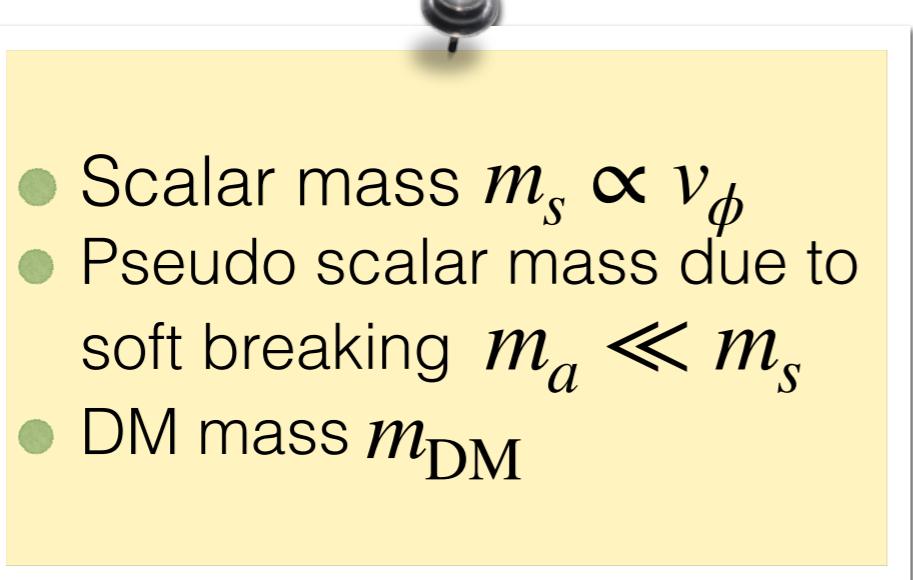


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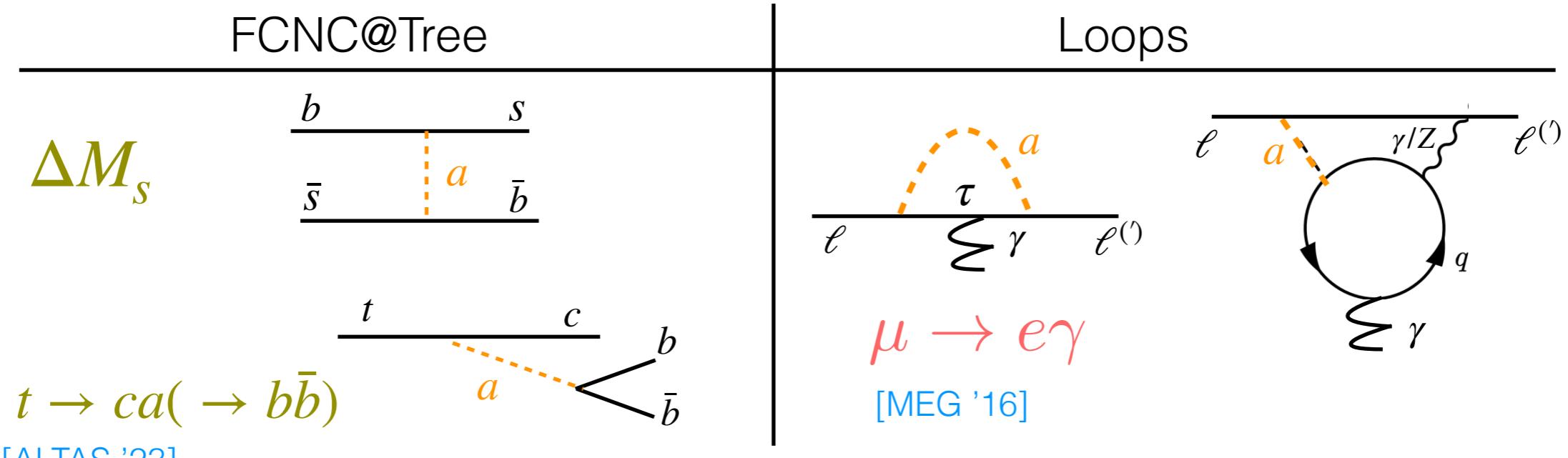
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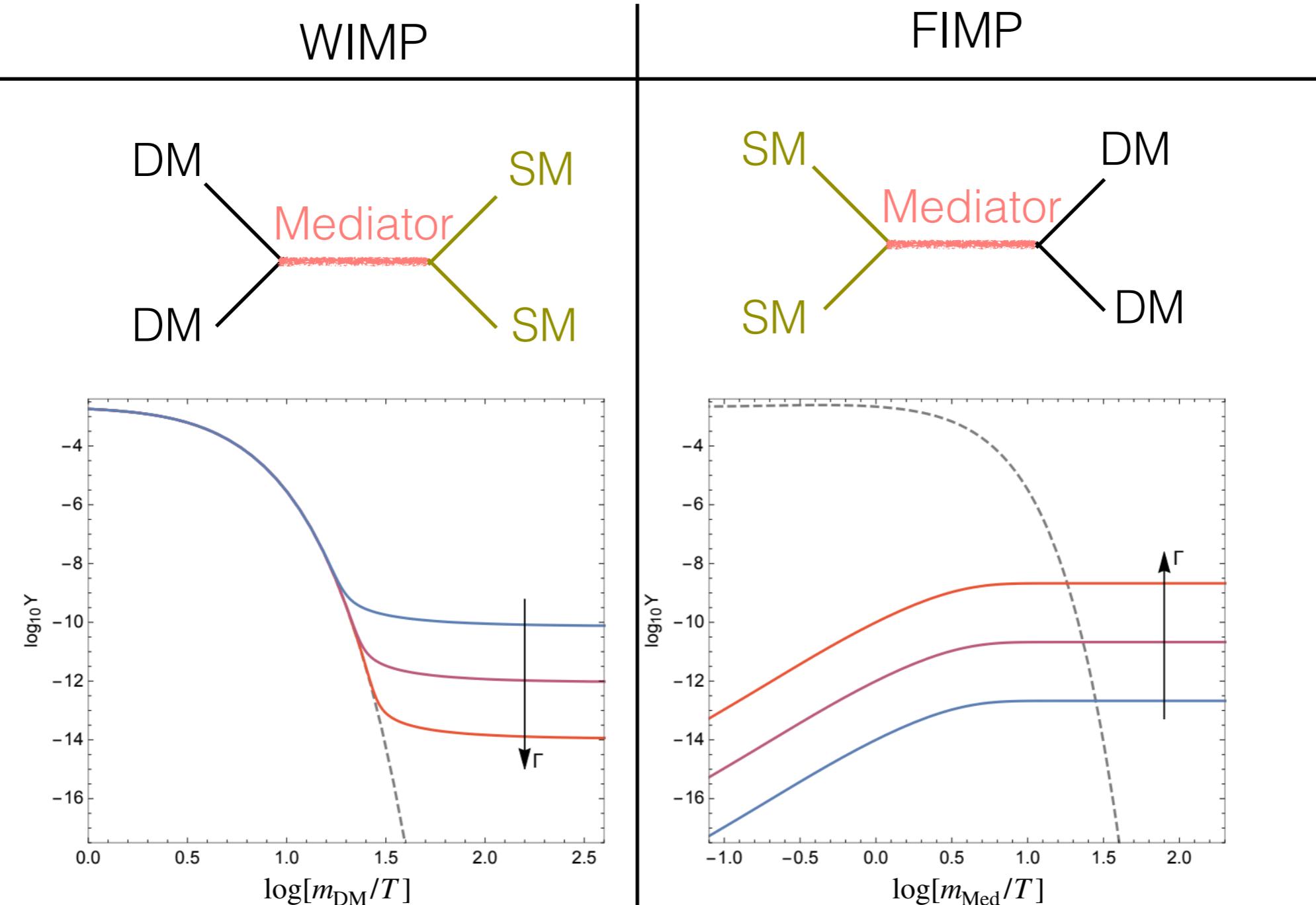
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$$v_\phi m_a \gtrsim 2 \times 10^5 \text{ GeV}^2$$

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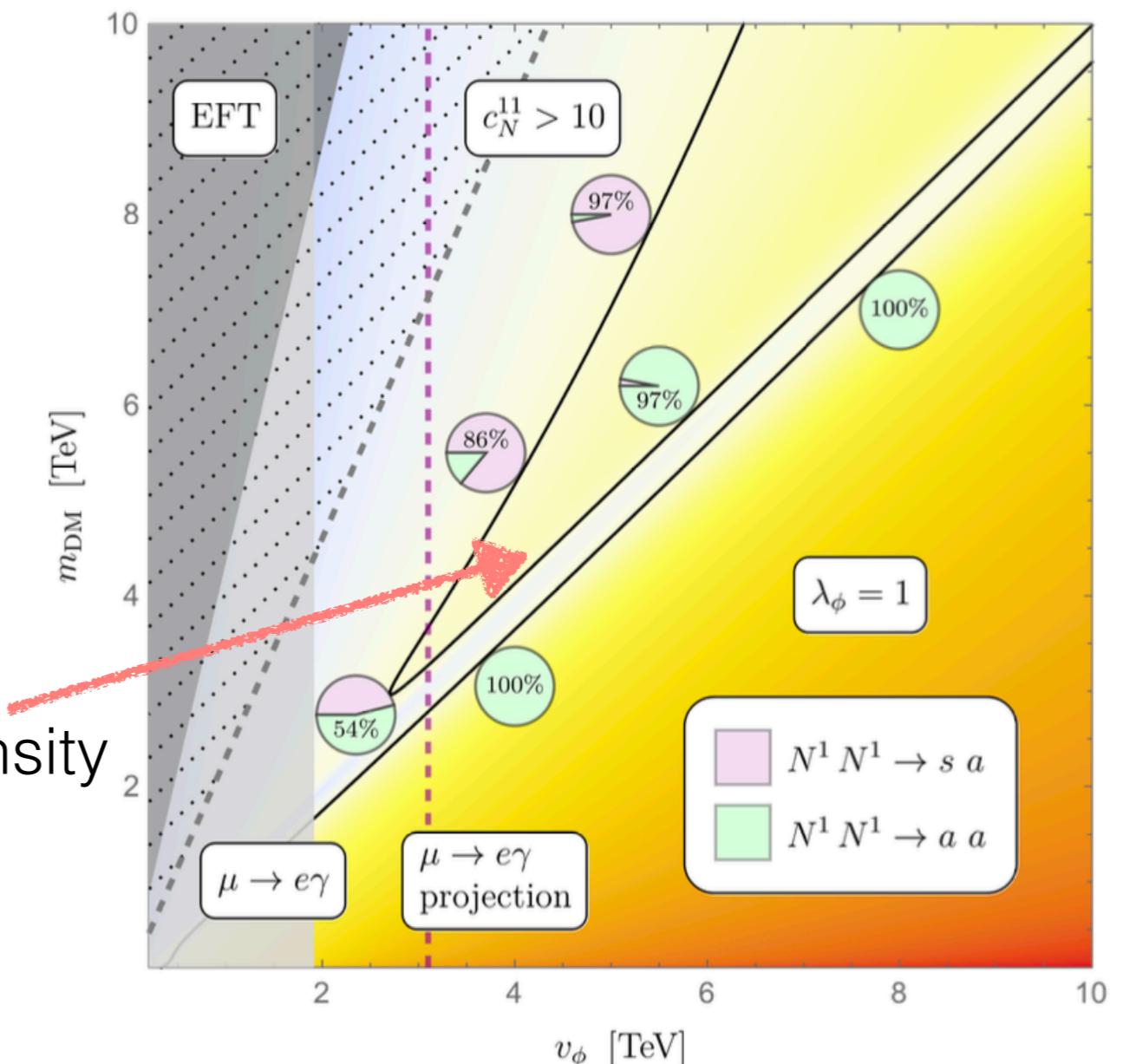
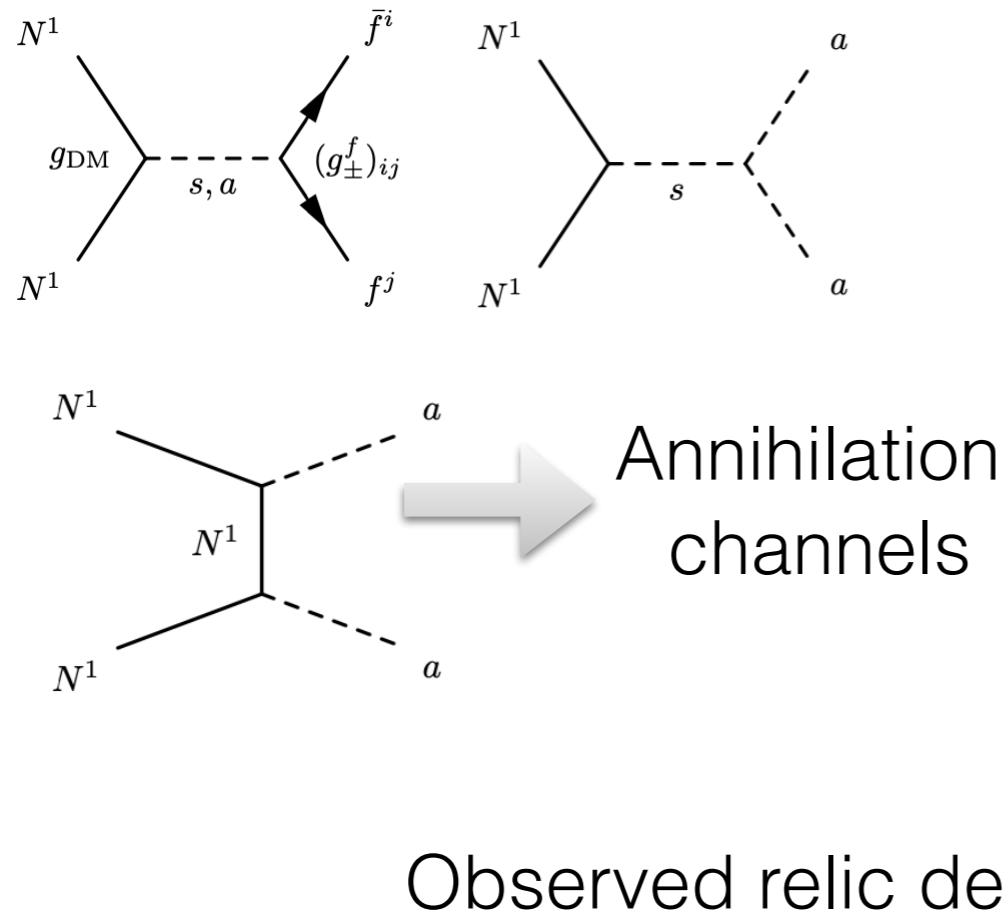
- Only known interaction for DM is **gravitational** in nature  
popular mechanisms:



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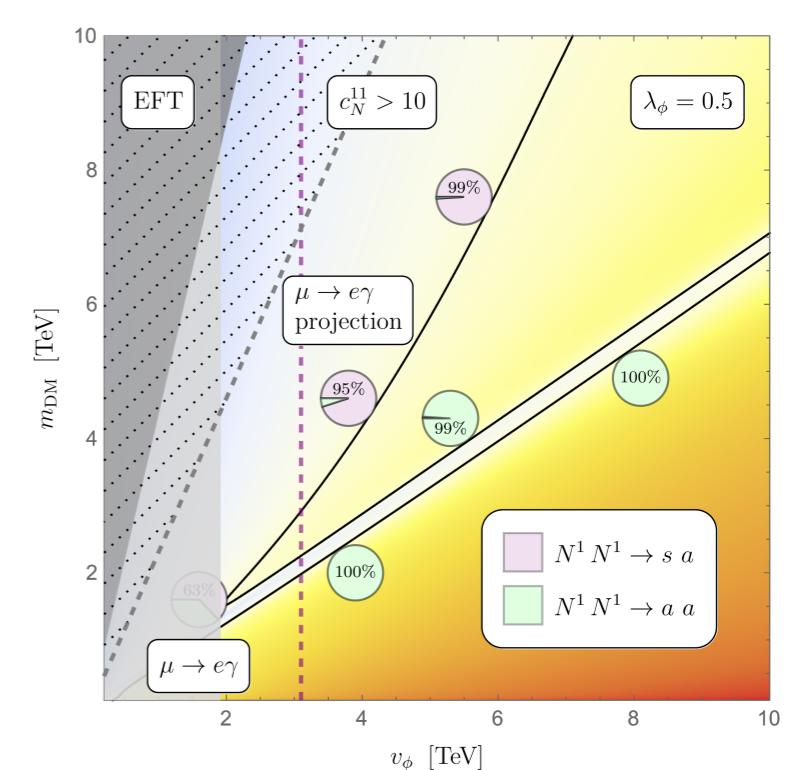
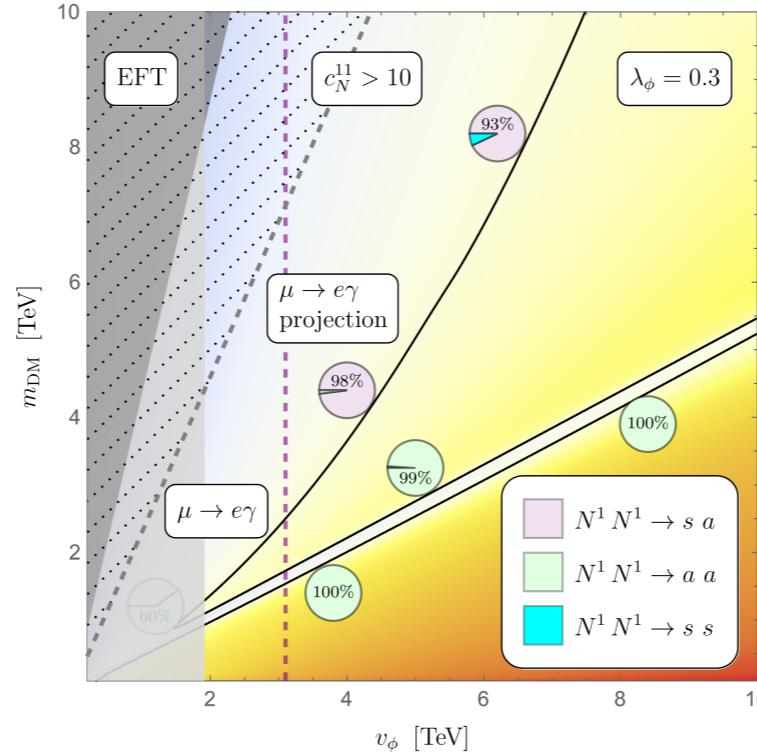
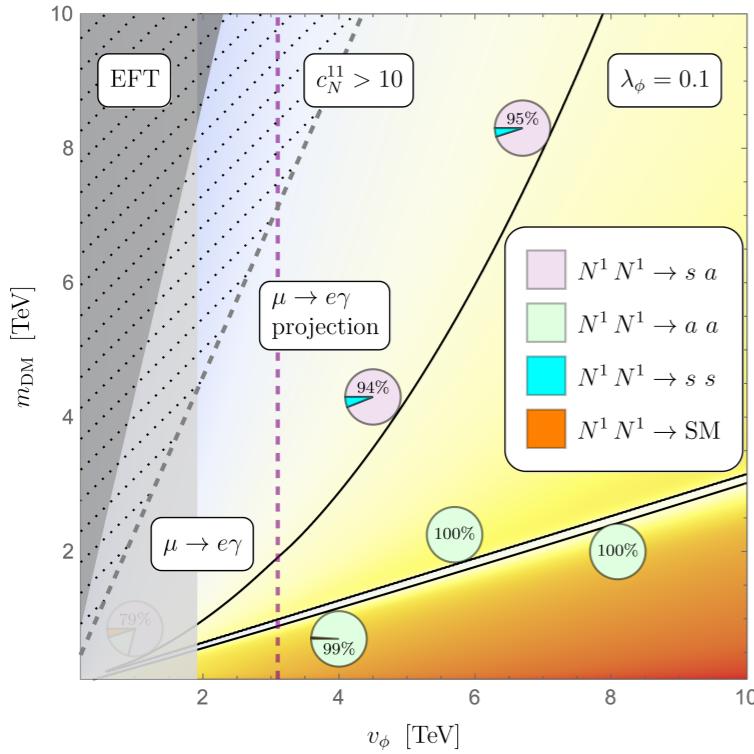
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- Thermal history **depends** on FN breaking scale  $v_\phi$ 
  - WIMP scenario: all new particles in thermal **equilibrium**

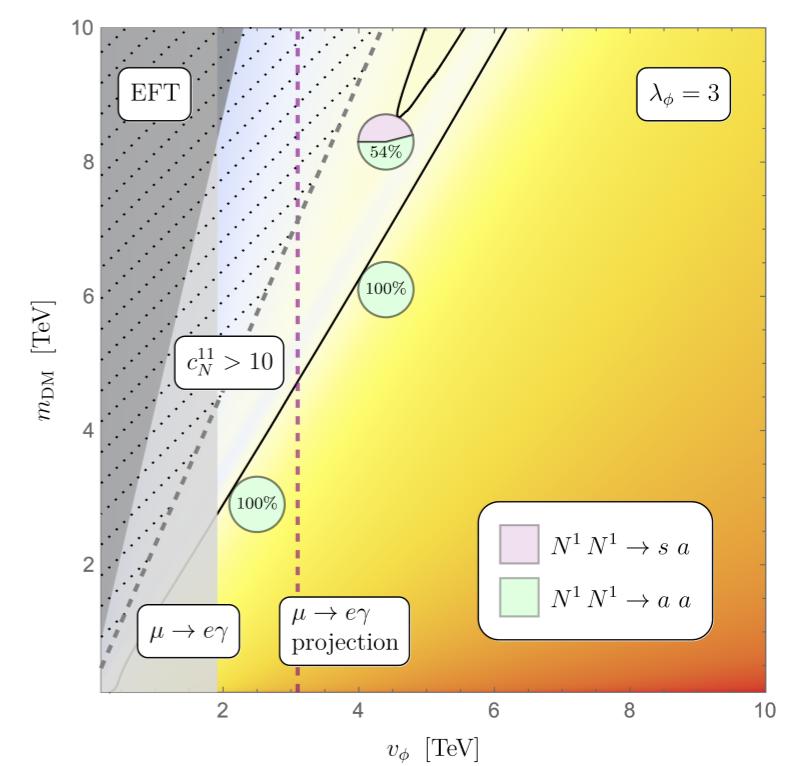
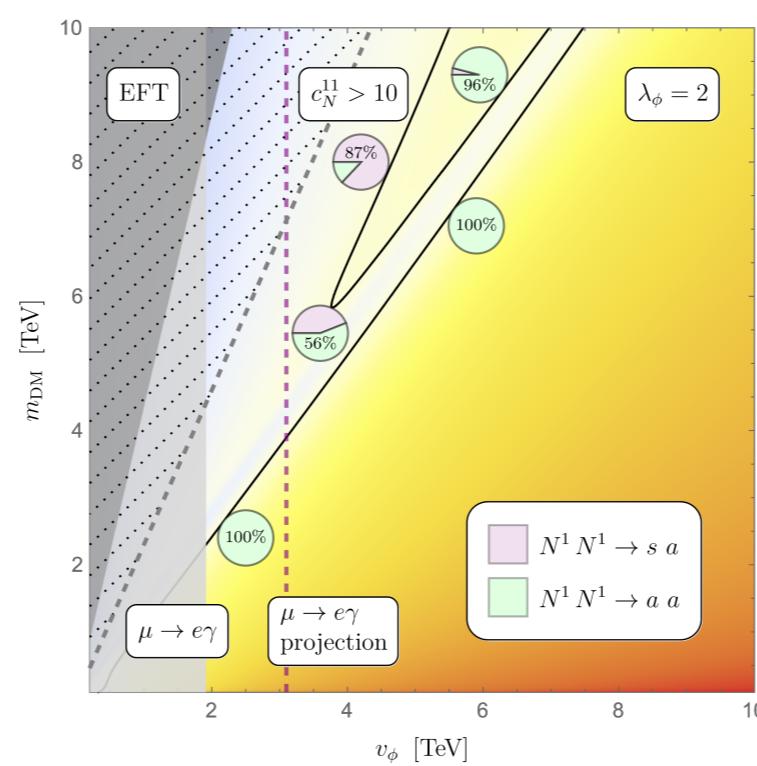
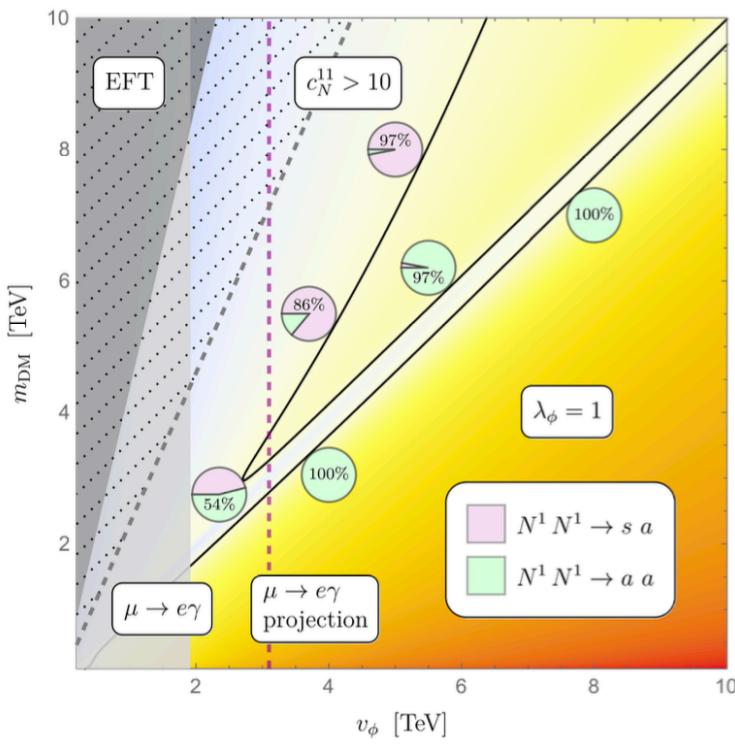


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Scalar mass variation spans whole region compatible with relic



# IR Freeze-in

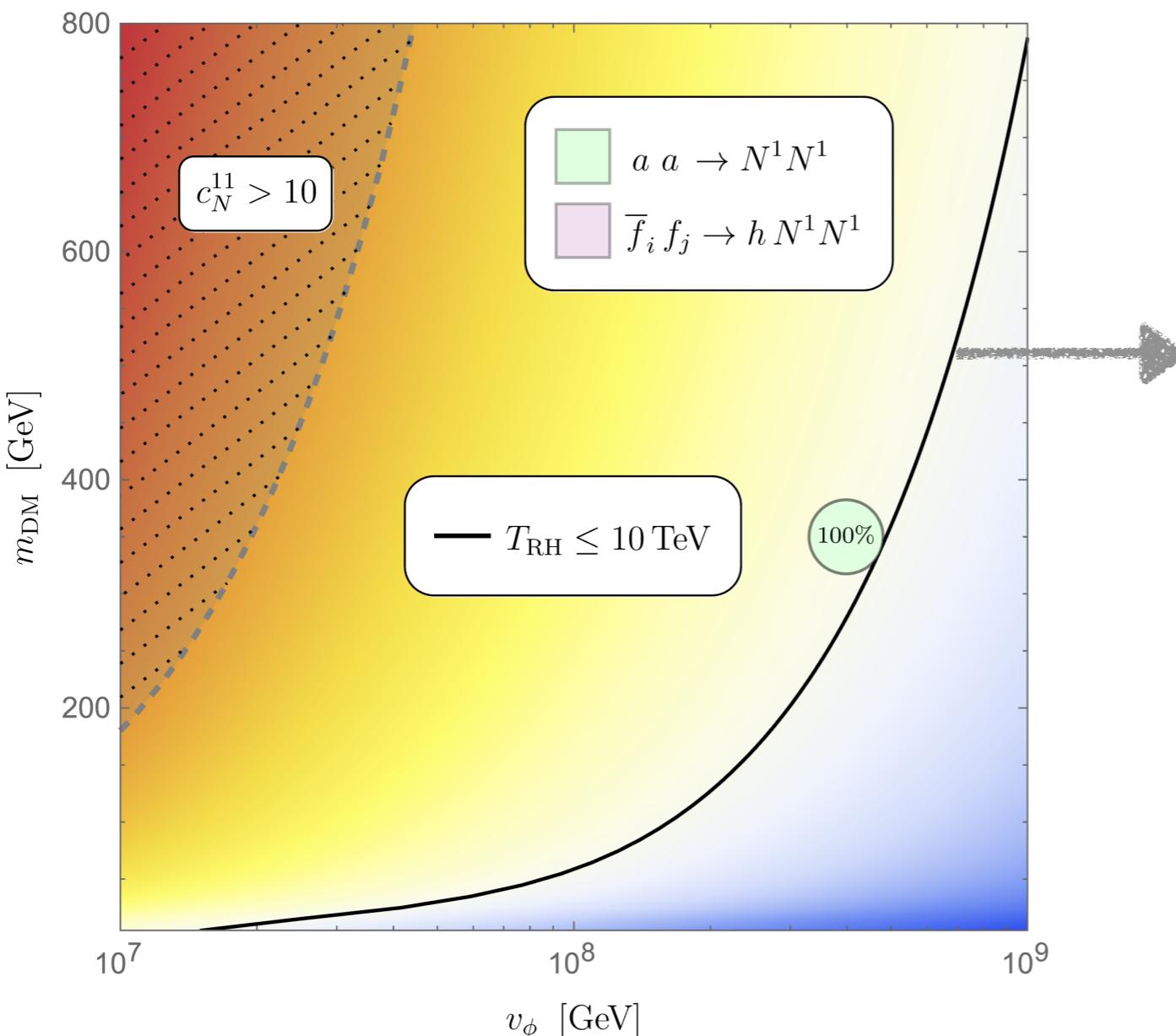
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- ▶ For higher FN breaking scale, DM was **never** in thermal equilibrium

$$10^4 < v_\phi < 10^9 \text{ GeV}$$



DM produced from  
pseudoscalar interaction



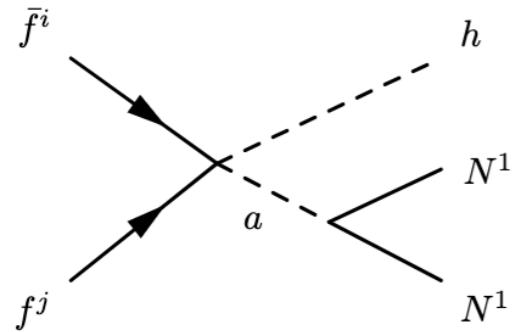
Relic density achieved  
from scattering process

# UV Freeze-in

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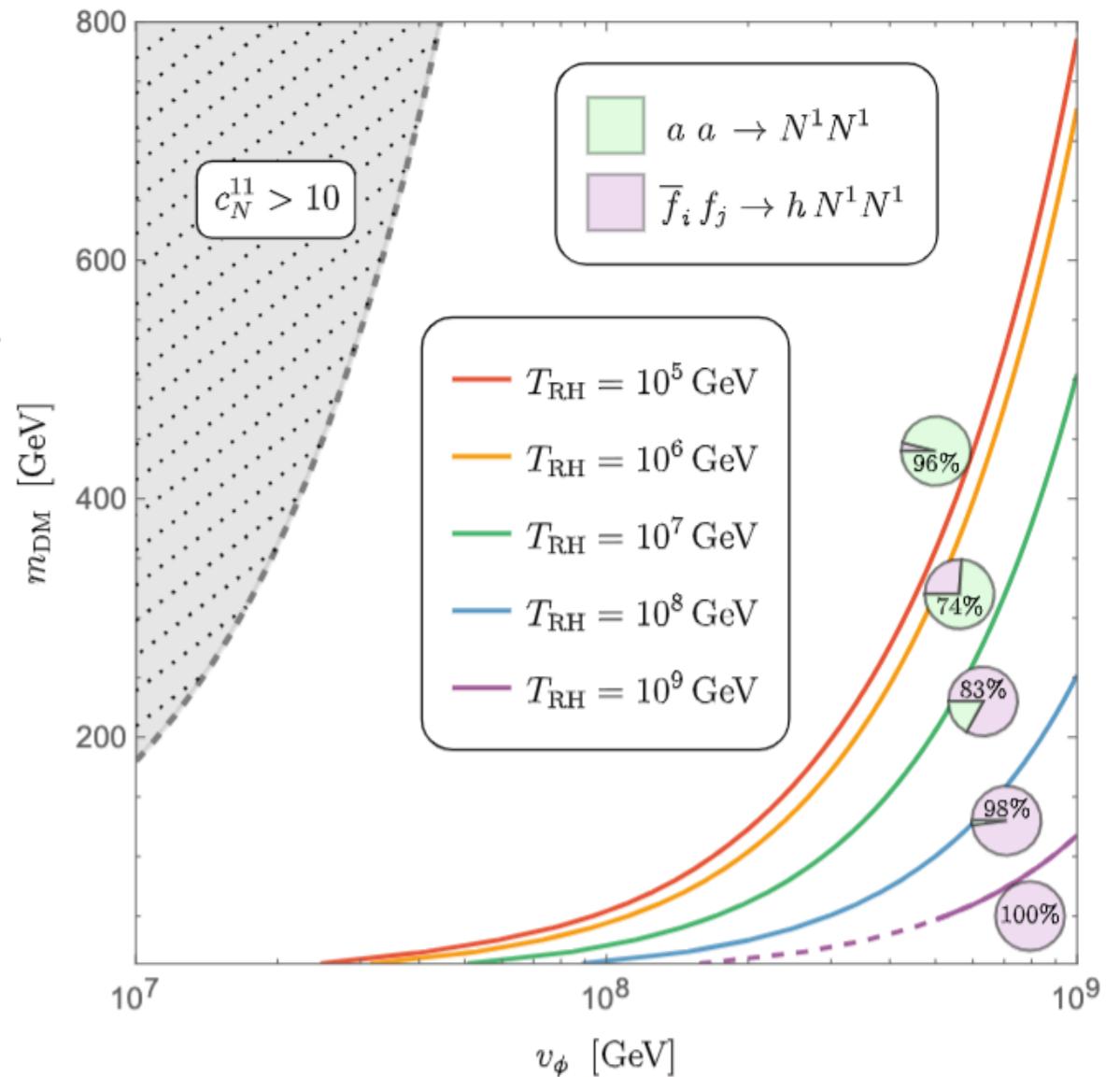
- Higher dimensional operators important for sufficiently high  $T_{\text{RH}}$

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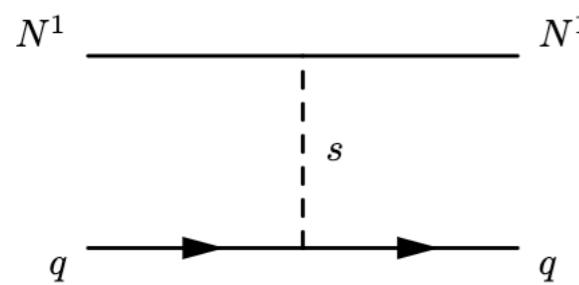
Interplay between  
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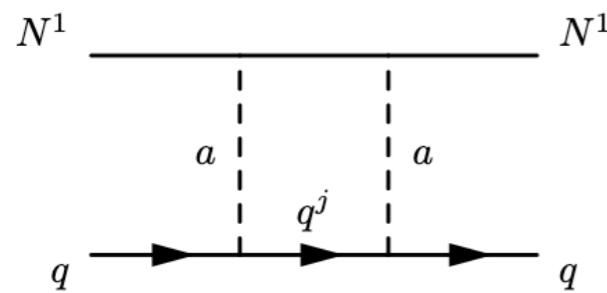
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spin-independent



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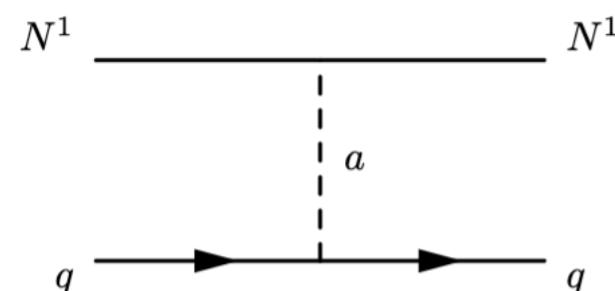
Heavy quark contribution  
via gluon condensates



$$\sigma_{\text{box}}^{\text{SI}} = \frac{4}{\pi} \mu_n^2 m_n^2 g_{DM}^4 \left| \sum_{q=u,d,s} \frac{B_q}{m_q} f_{Tq}^n + \frac{2}{27} f_{TG}^n \sum_{q=c,b,t} \frac{B_q}{m_q} \right|^2$$

Tree & box **same** order

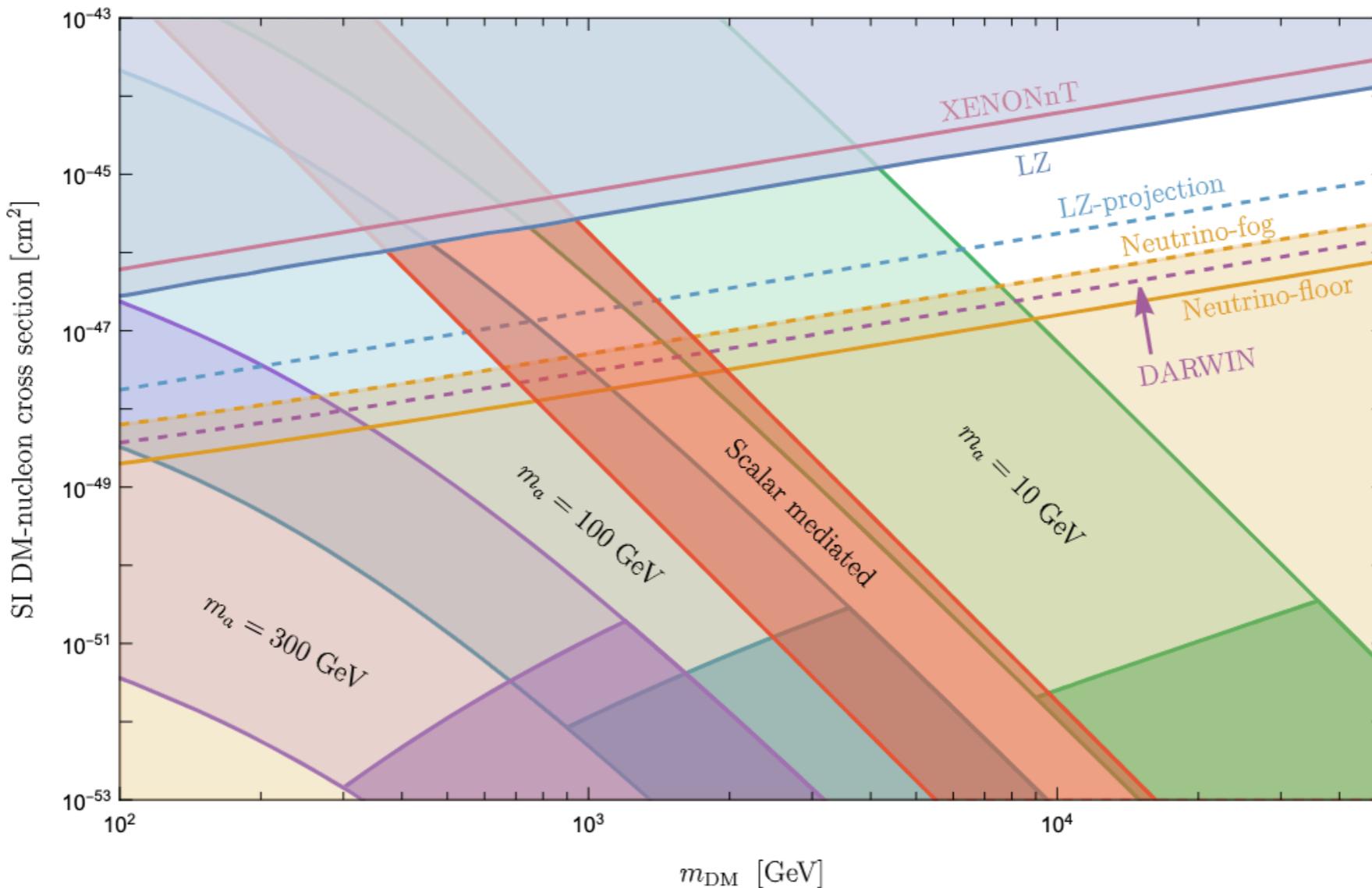
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$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_p^{\text{SD}} \\ \sigma_n^{\text{SD}} \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 10^{-46} \\ 10^{-47} \end{bmatrix} \text{cm}^2 \times \left( \frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{m_{\text{DM}}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{m_a} \right)^4$$

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Regions can be probed in future upgrades of XENONnT, LZ

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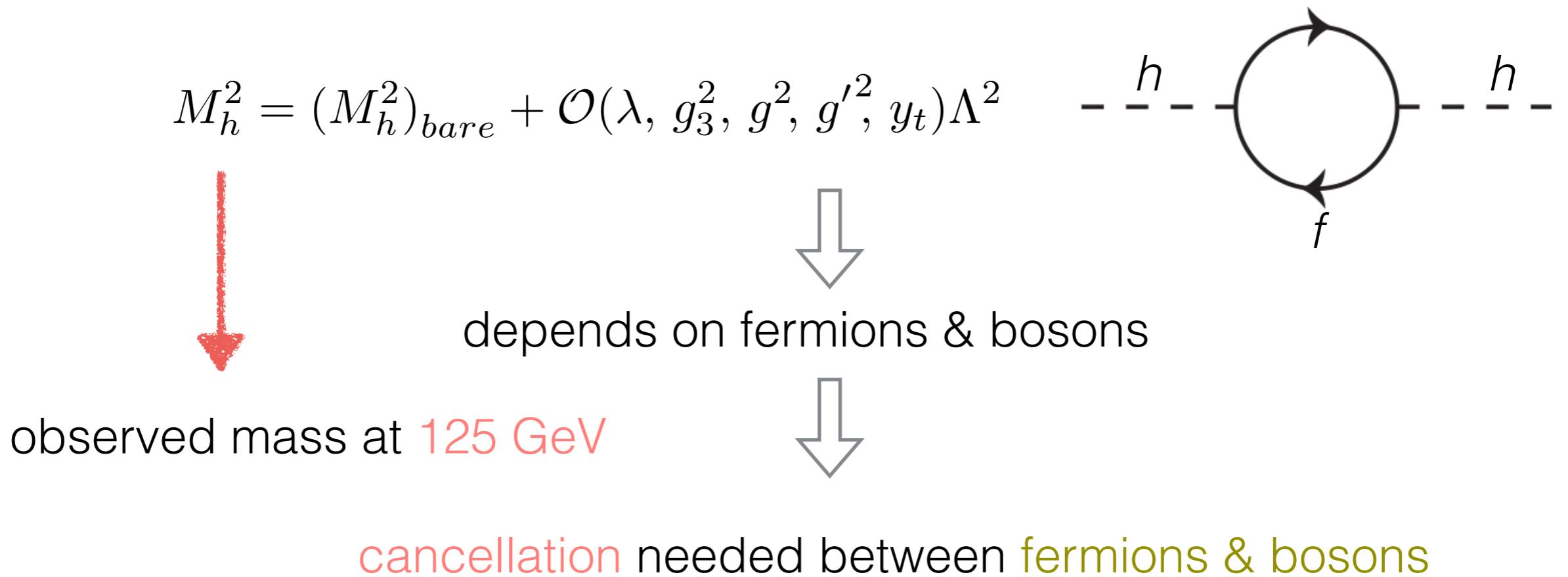
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- ▶ Scope to introduce CP violation via complex couplings
  - Matter-antimatter symmetry might be possible to achieve
  - **Signatures** at b-hadron decays@Belle II, LHCb

*Thank you for your attention*

# Back ups

# Higgs mass hierarchy

- ▶ Theoretical issue: Higgs mass **not stable** under quantum corrections
- ▶ If SM is extrapolated to scale  $\Lambda$ , the correction to Higgs mass grows with it!



# Diagrams

