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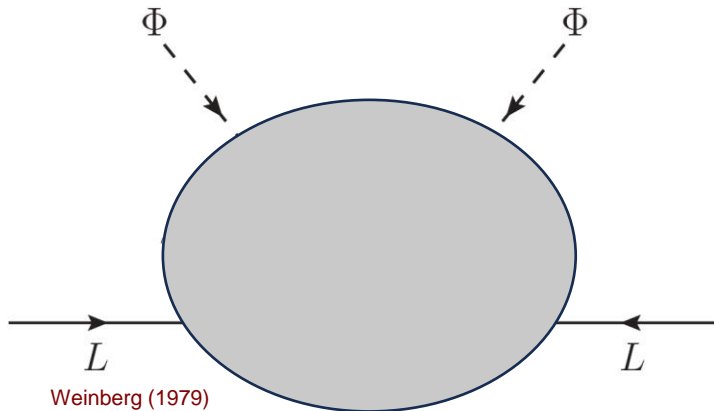
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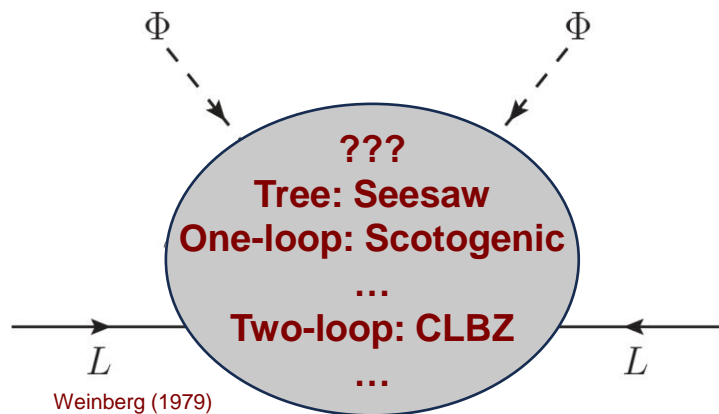


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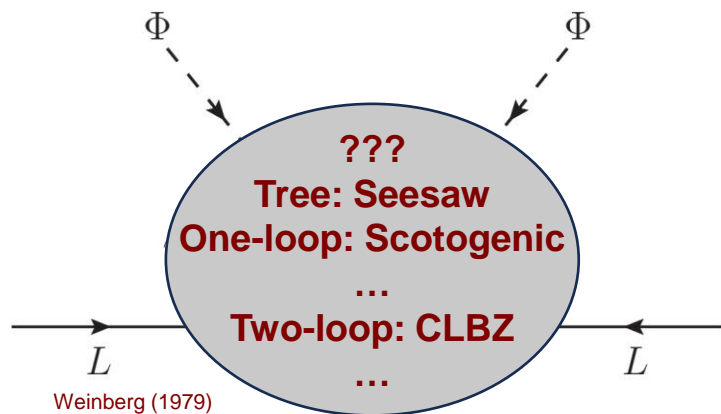


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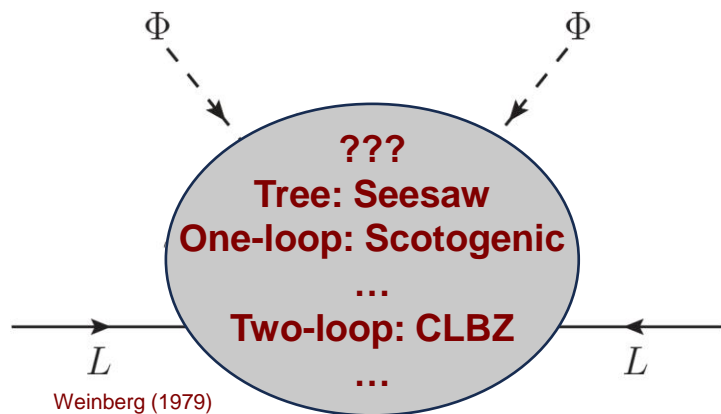
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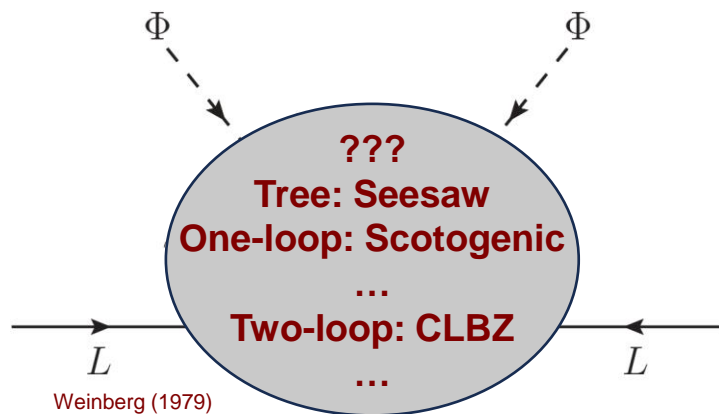
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Our approach:

New class of models where **neutrino masses** are **radiatively generated** by **colored particles** which **simultaneously** solve through the PQ mechanism the **strong CP problem**. The predicted **axion** particle accounts for **dark matter**.

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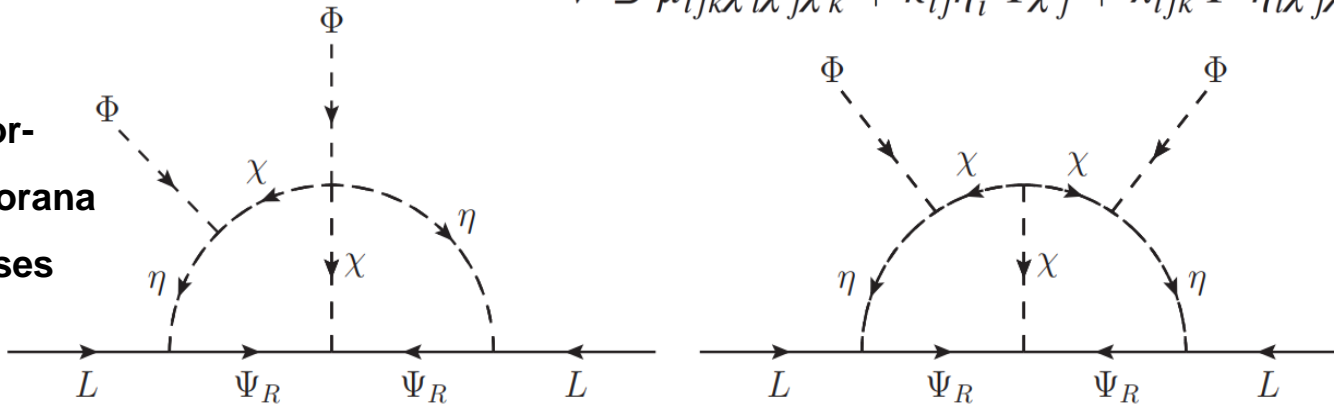
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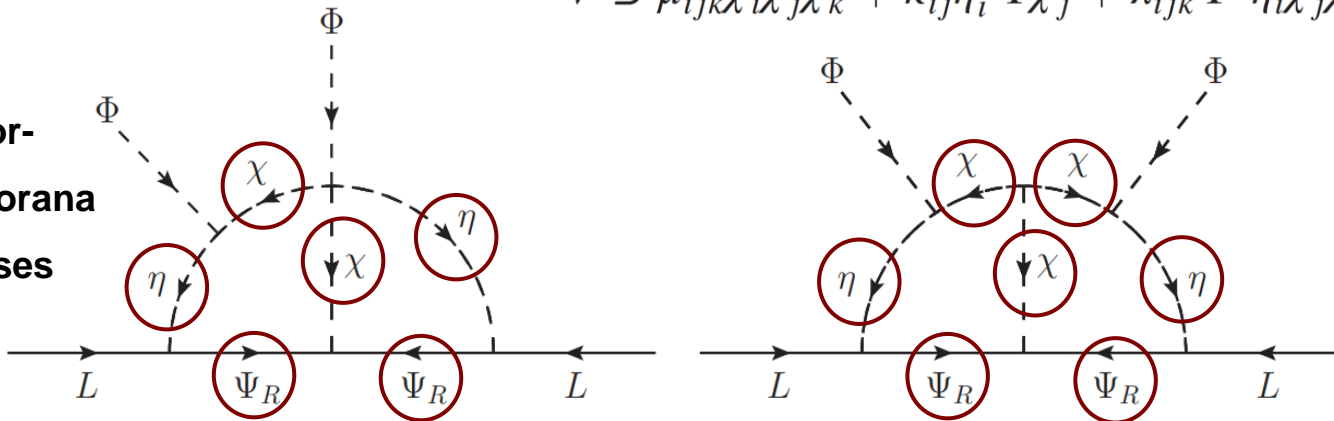
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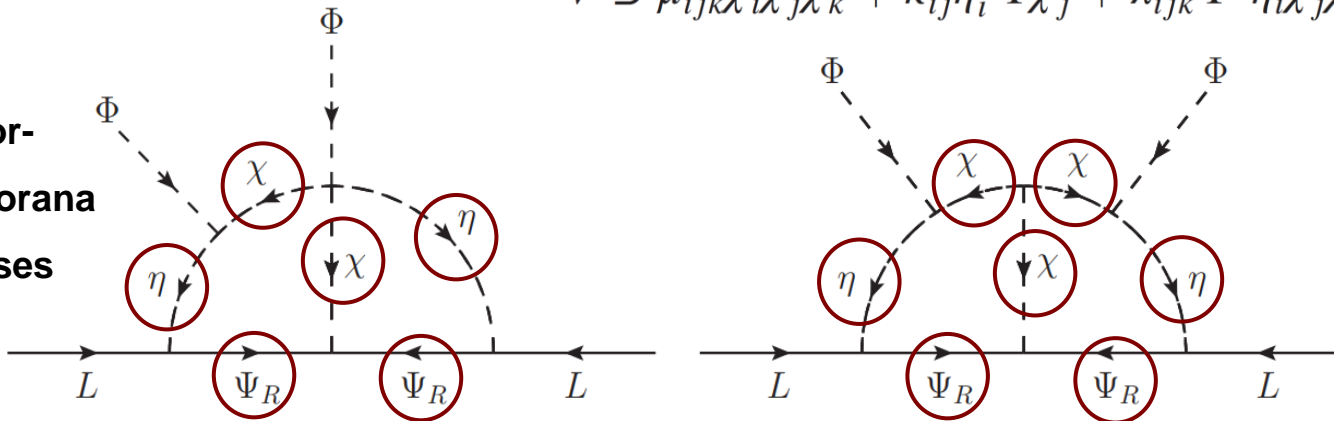
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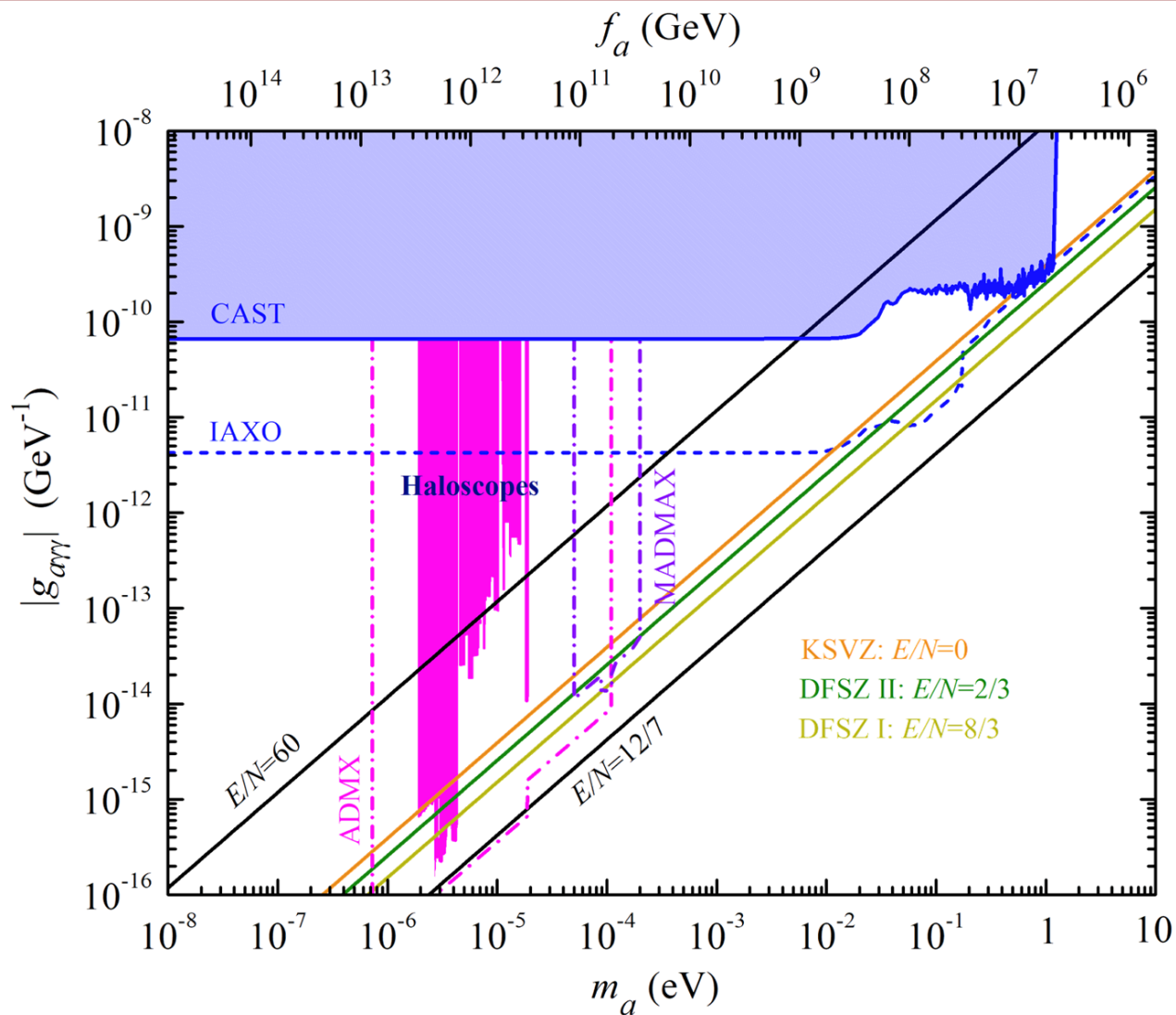
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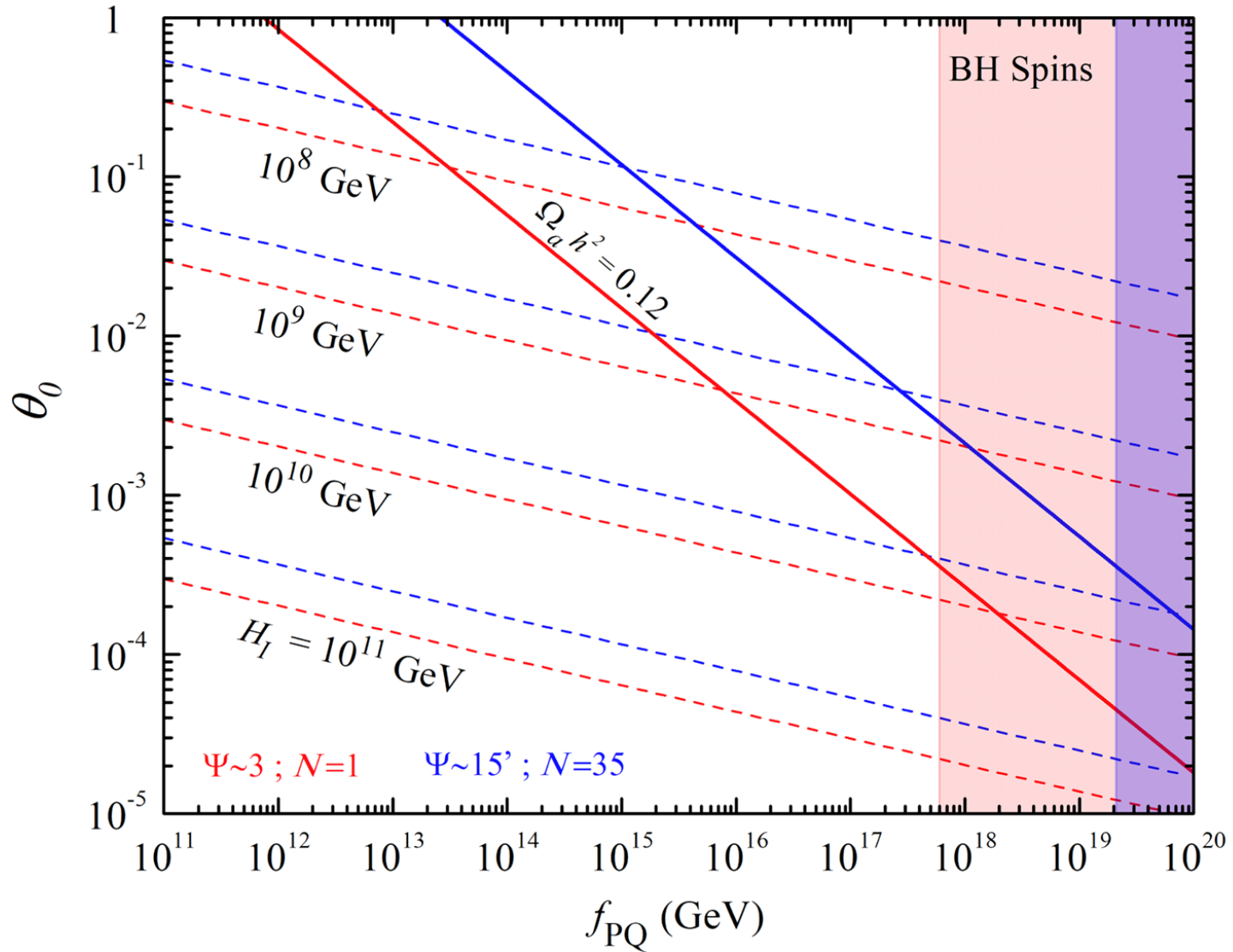
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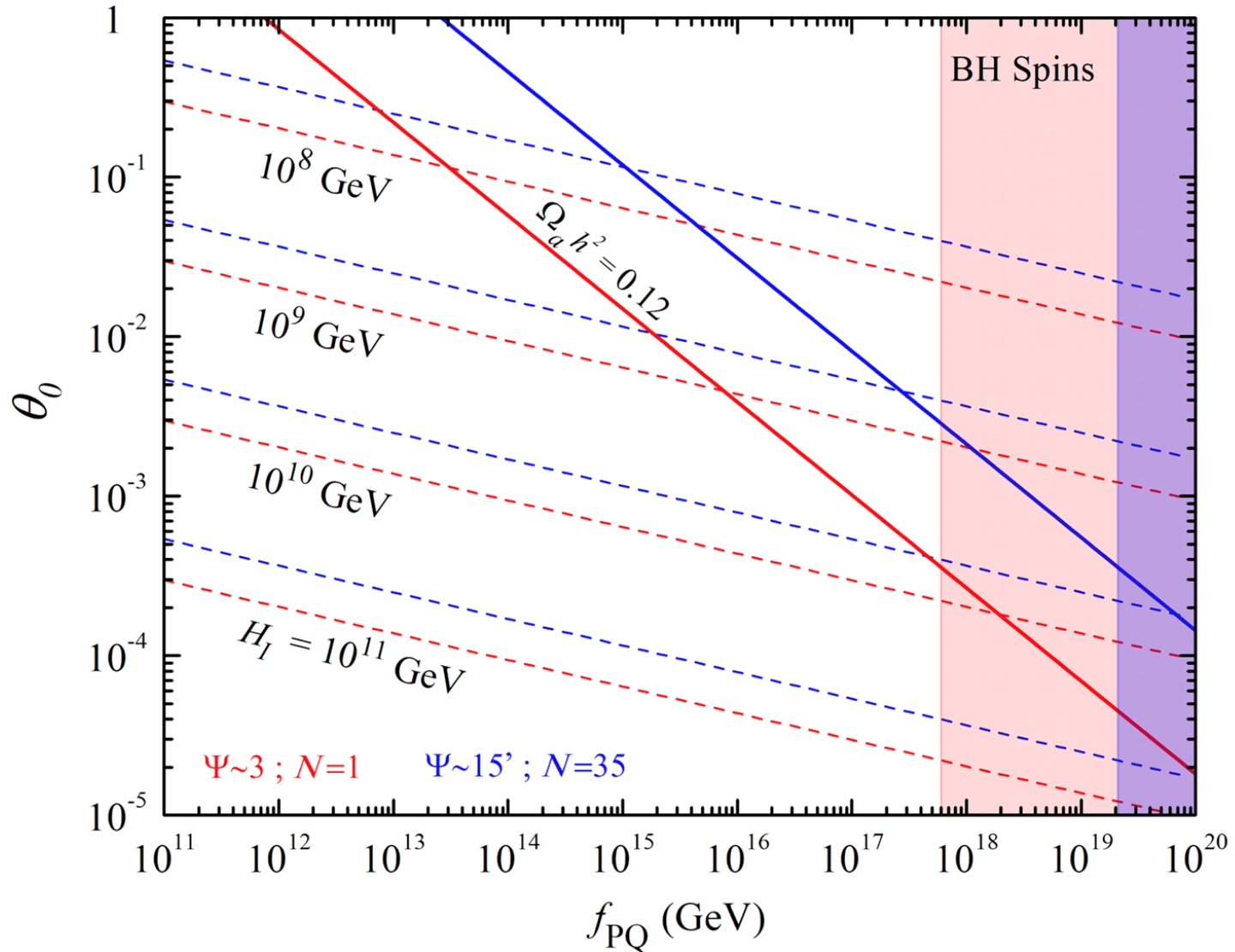
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Di Luzio et al. (2017)

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