

# A model-independent analysis of the FASER(2) reach for light particles in B and D decays

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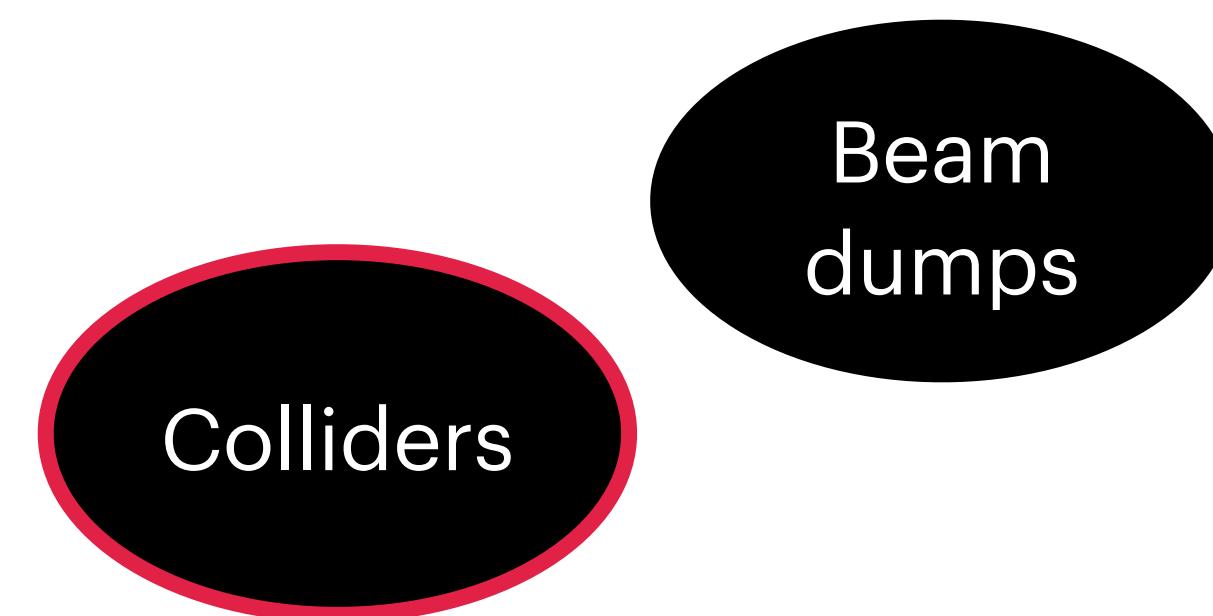


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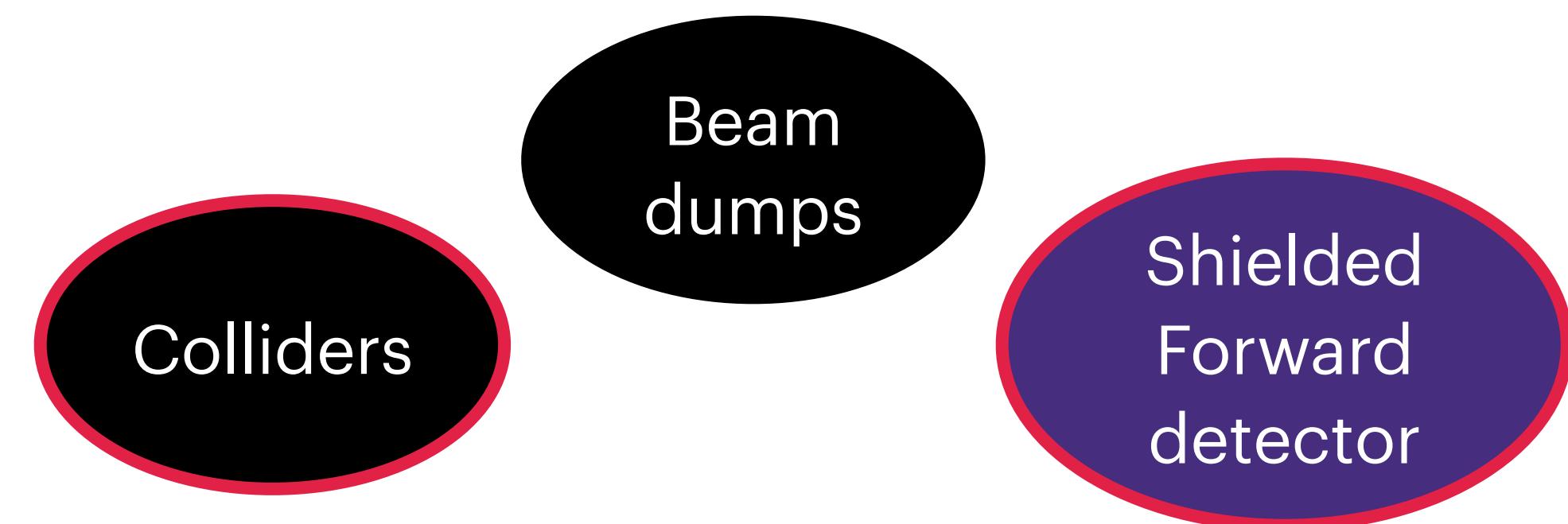


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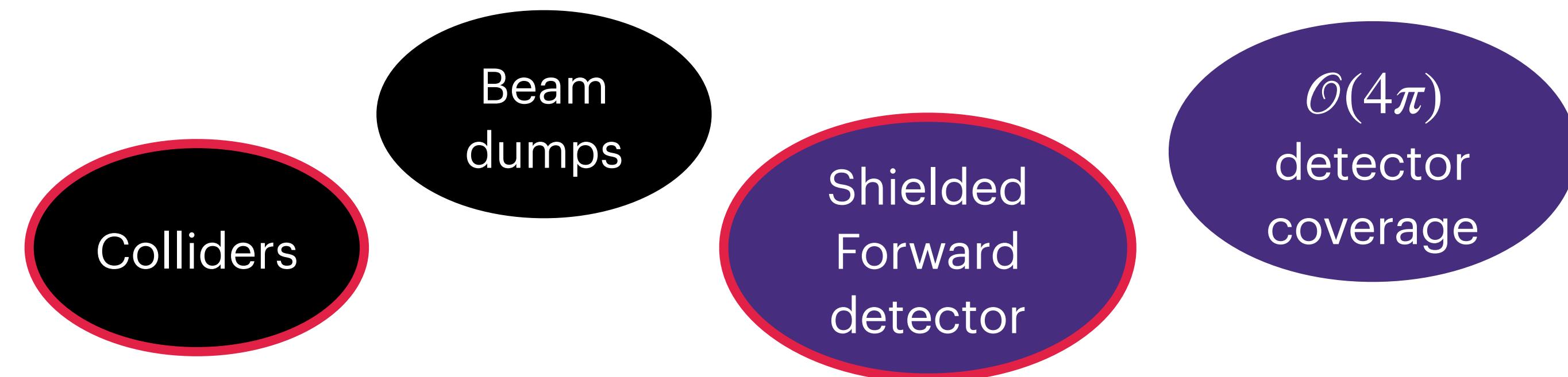


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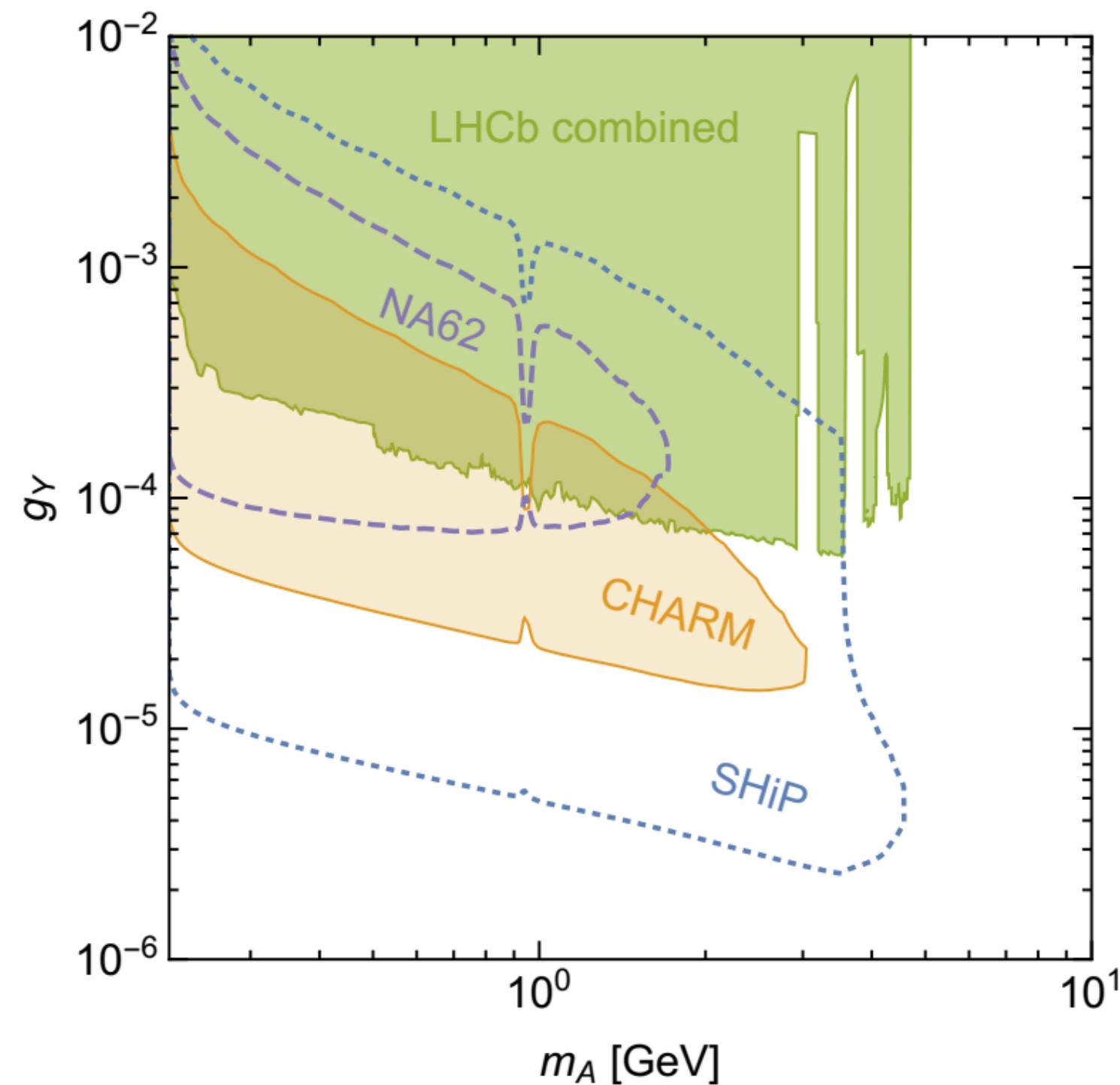


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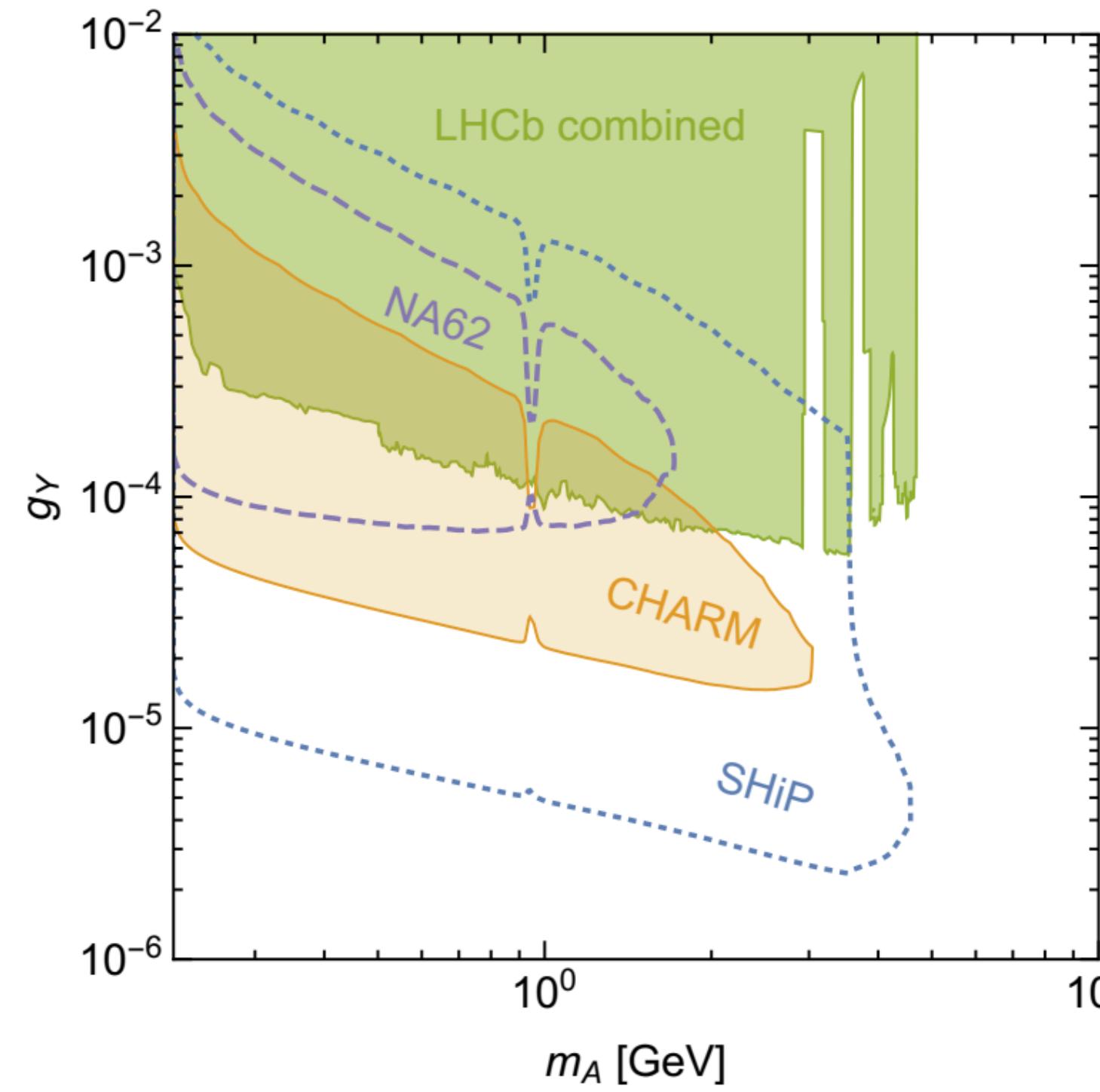
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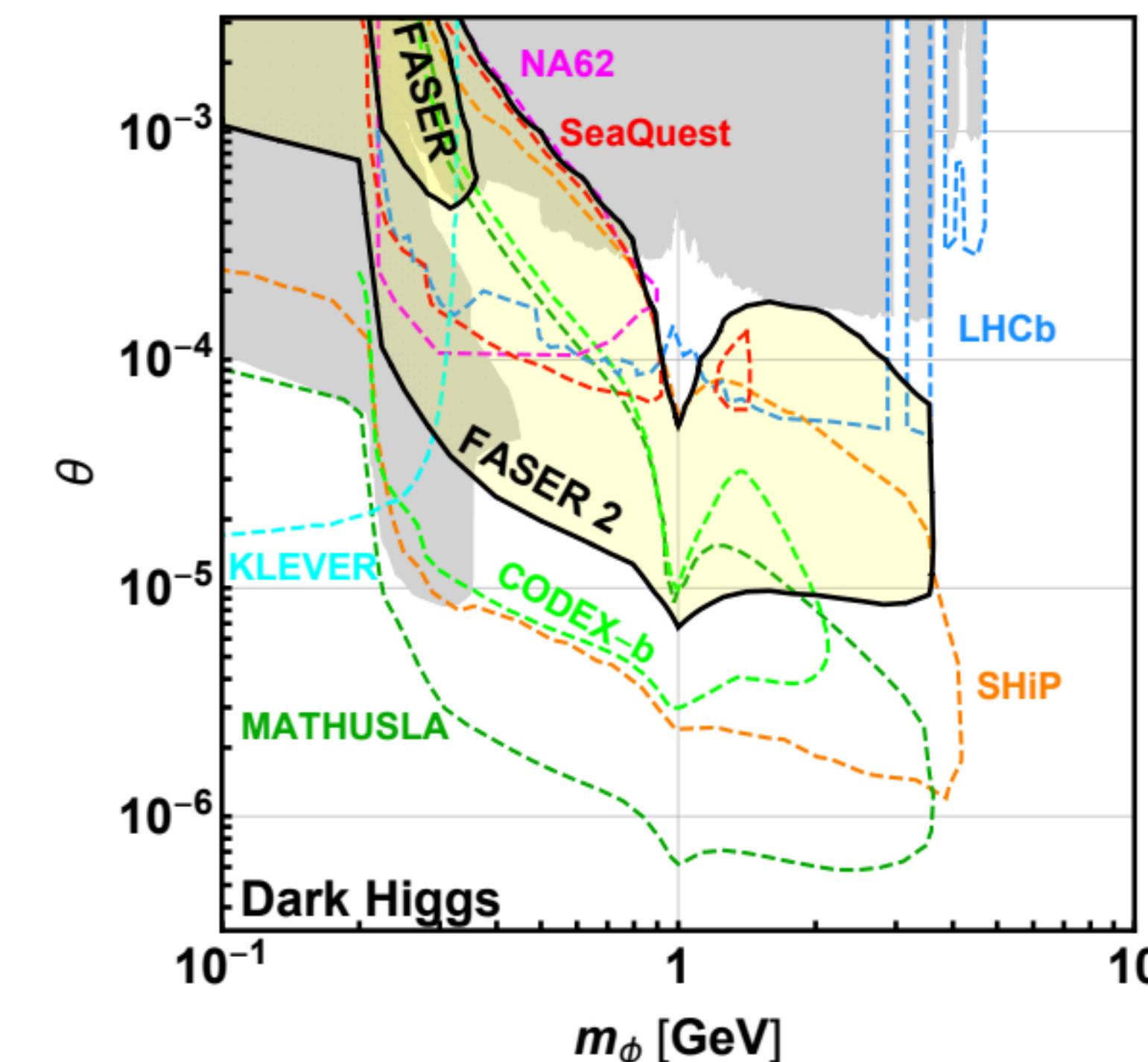
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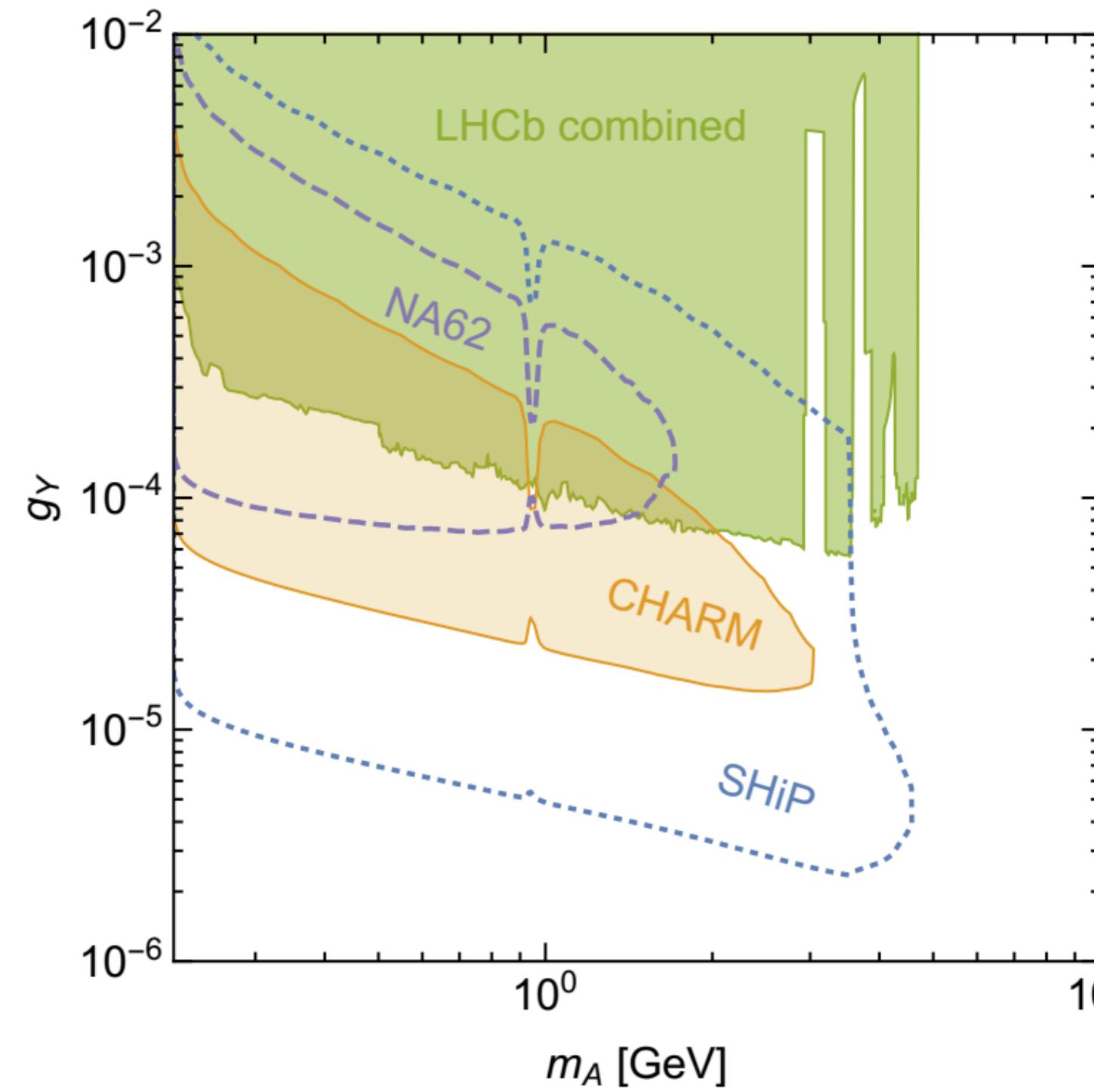


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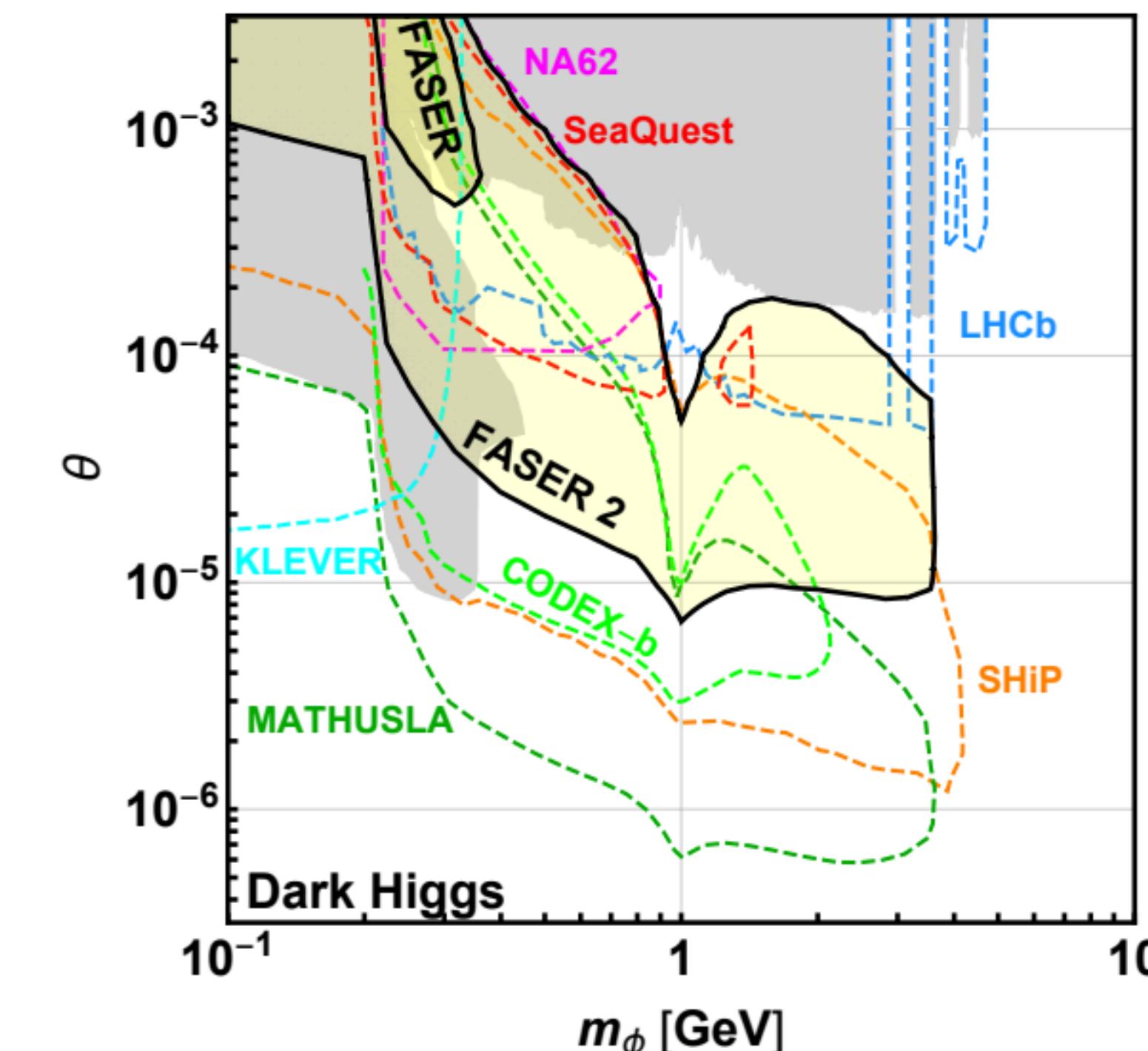
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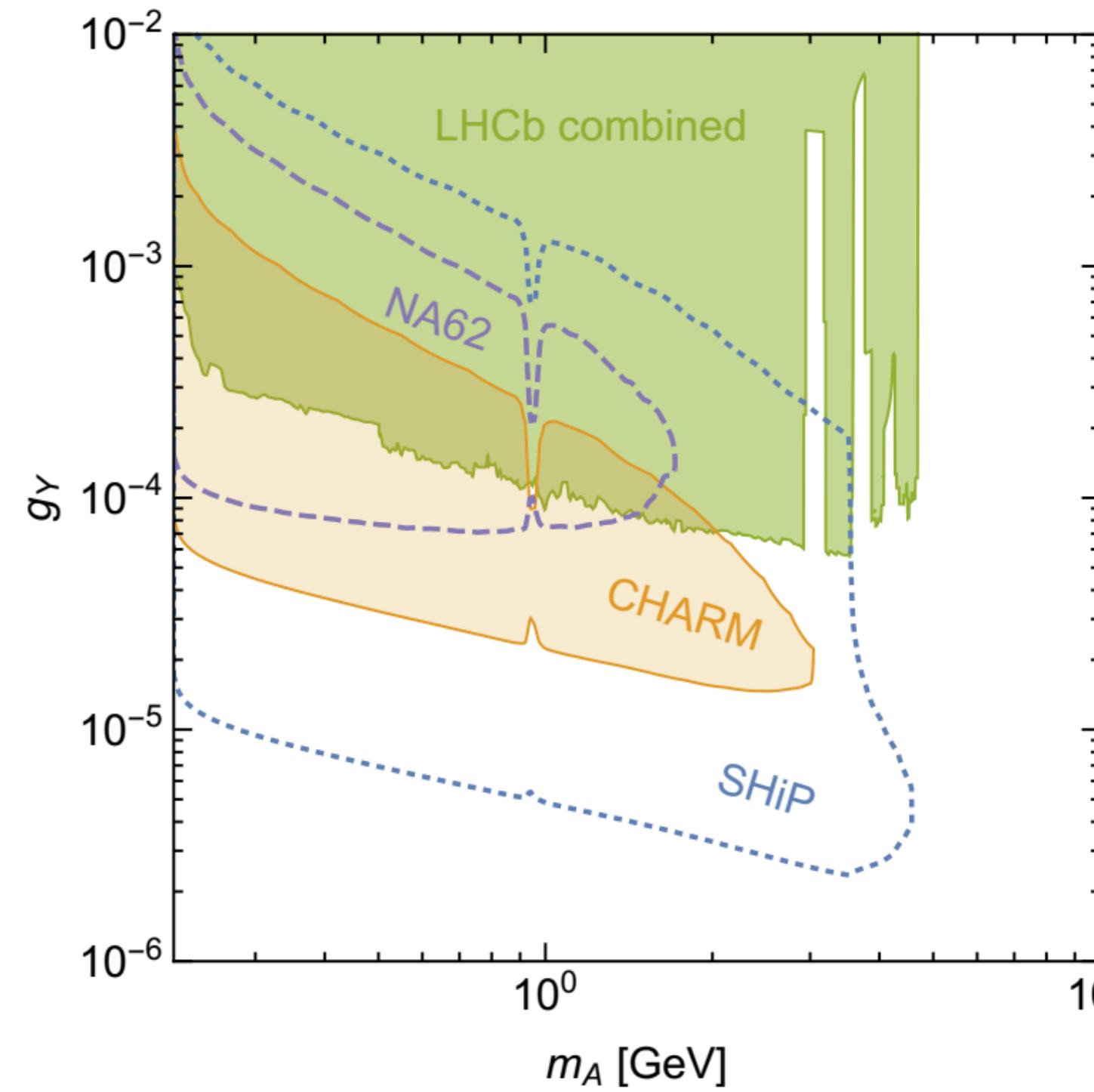
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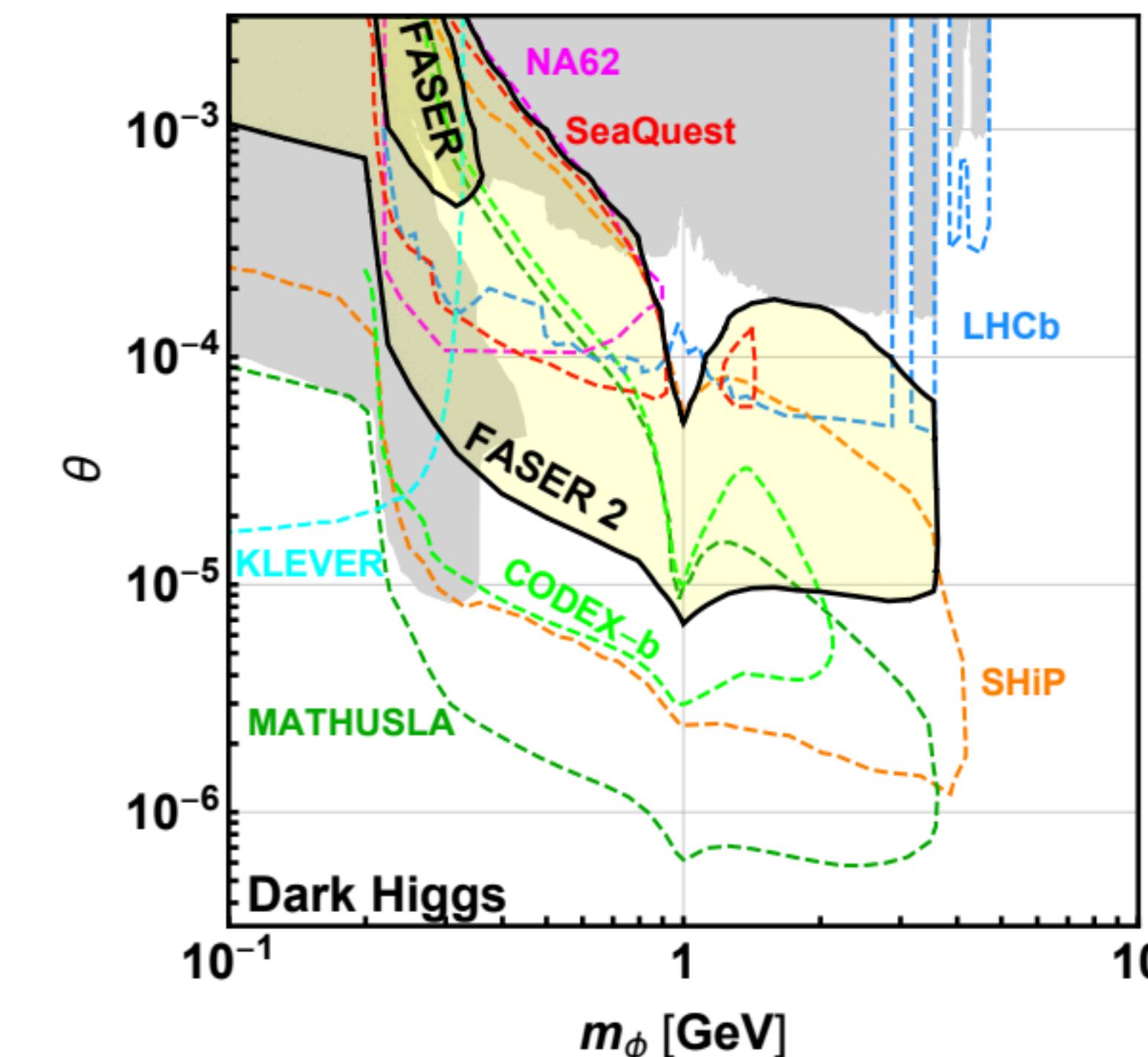
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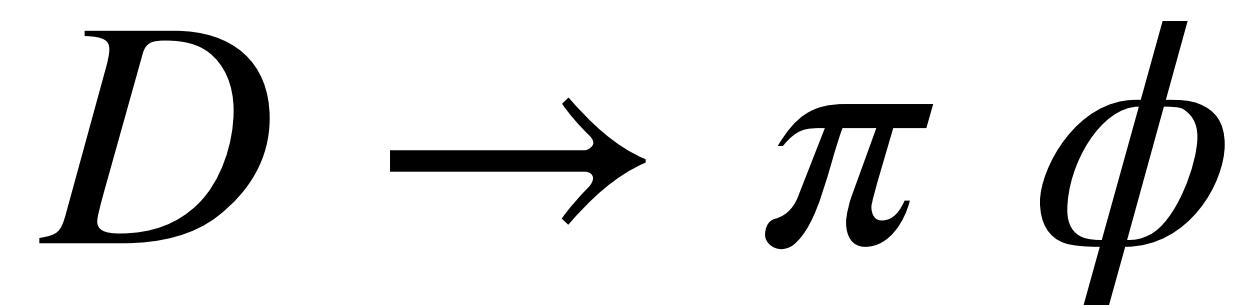
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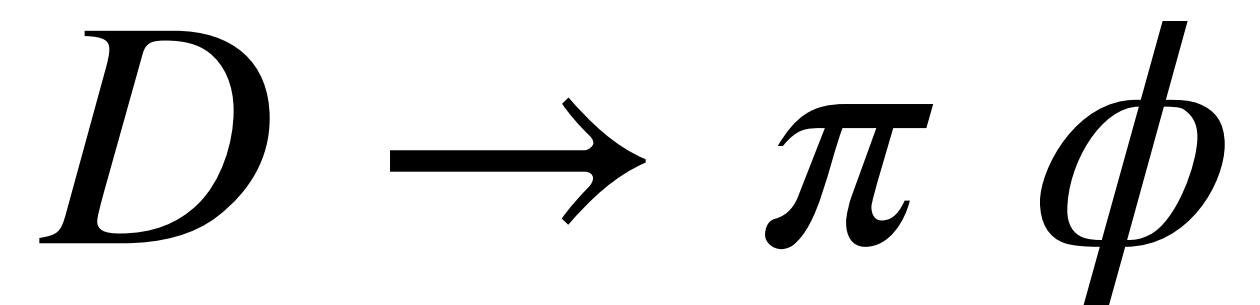
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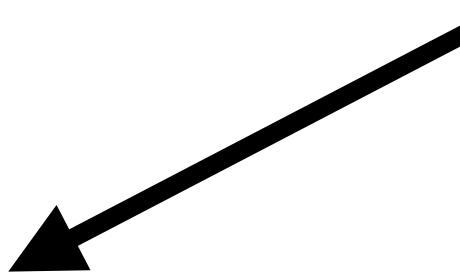
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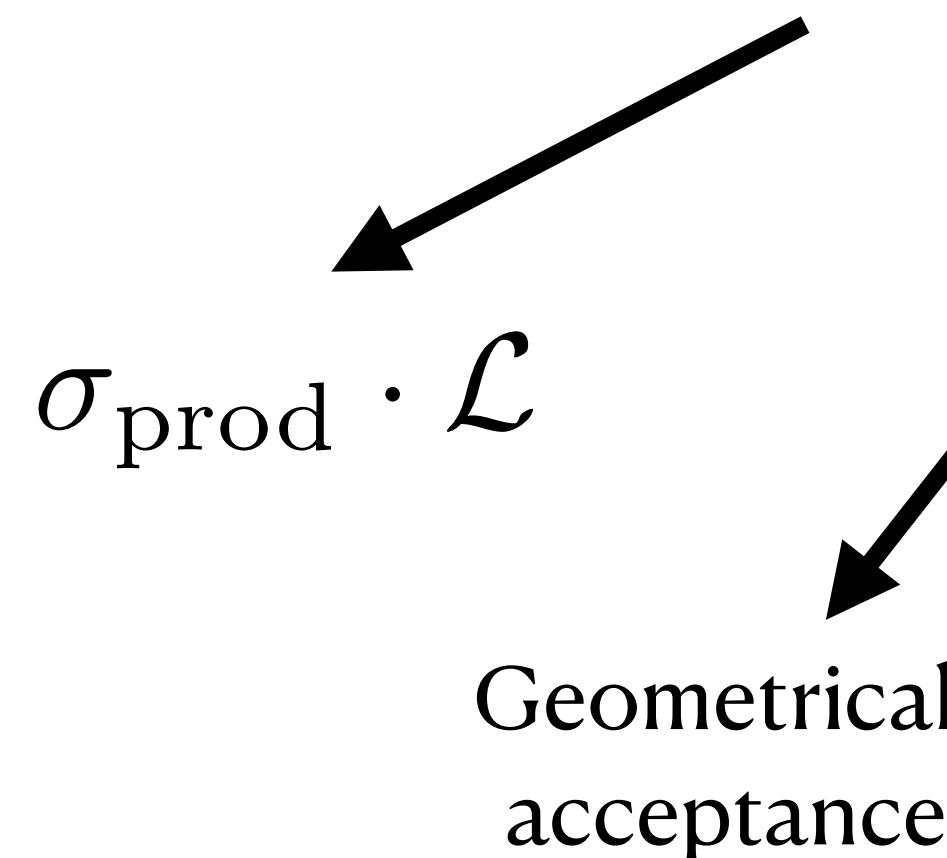
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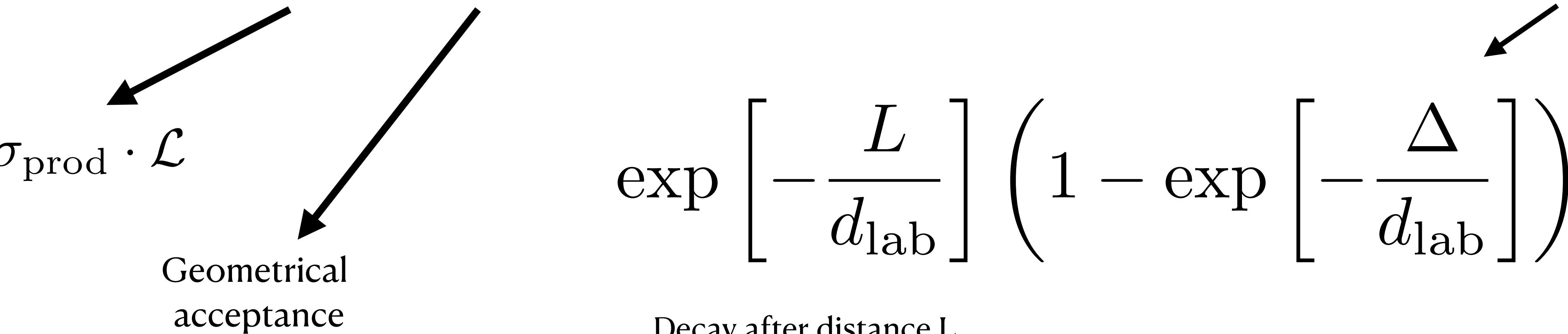
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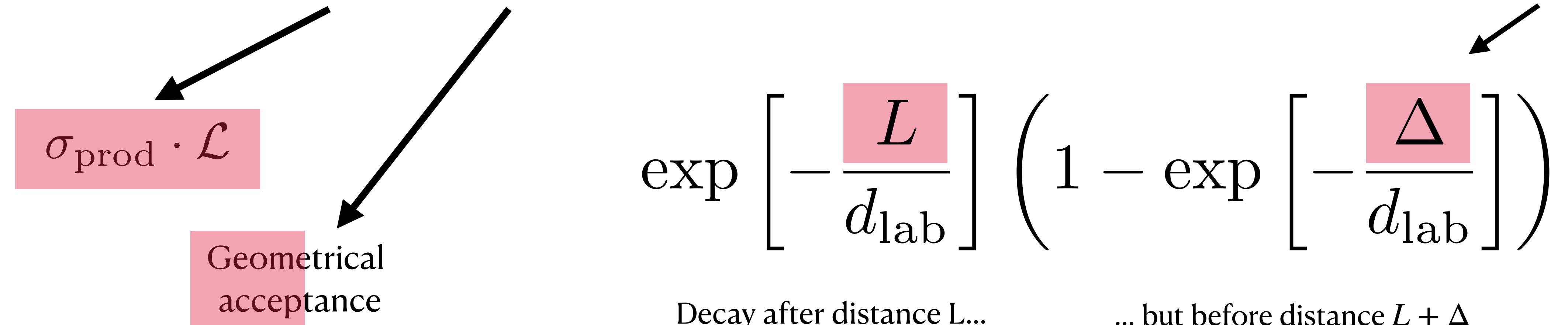
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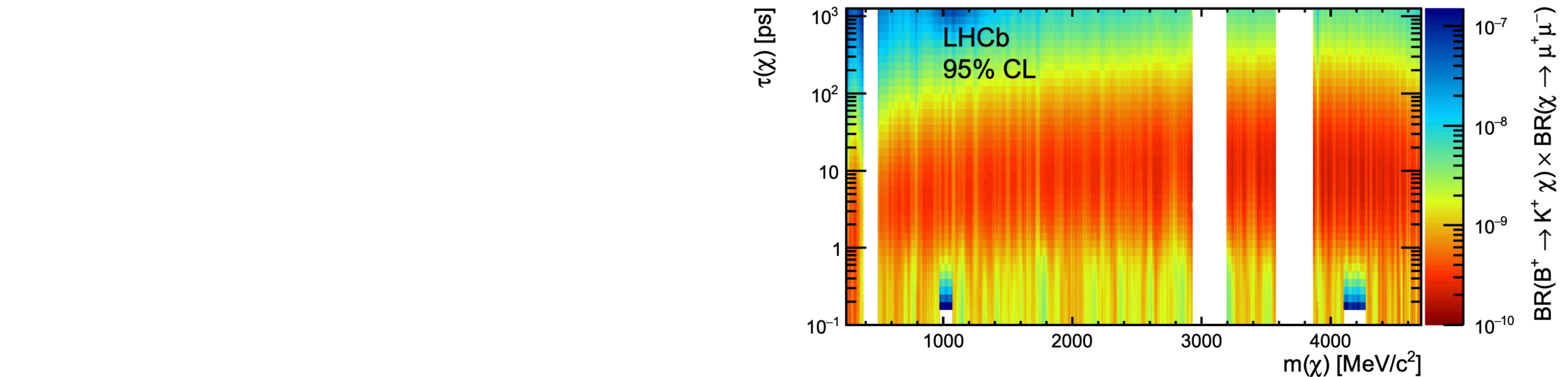
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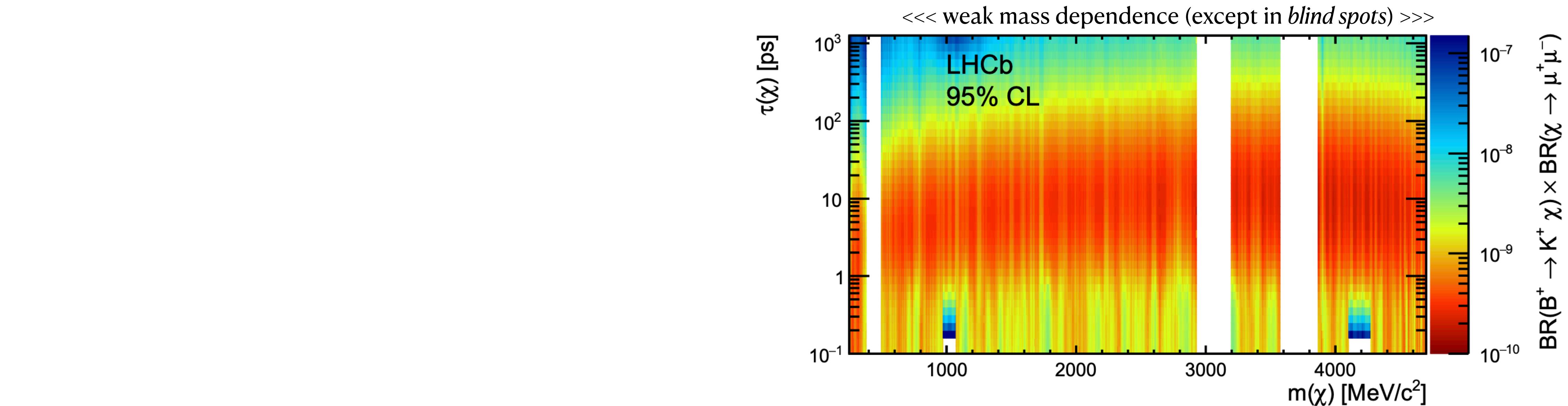
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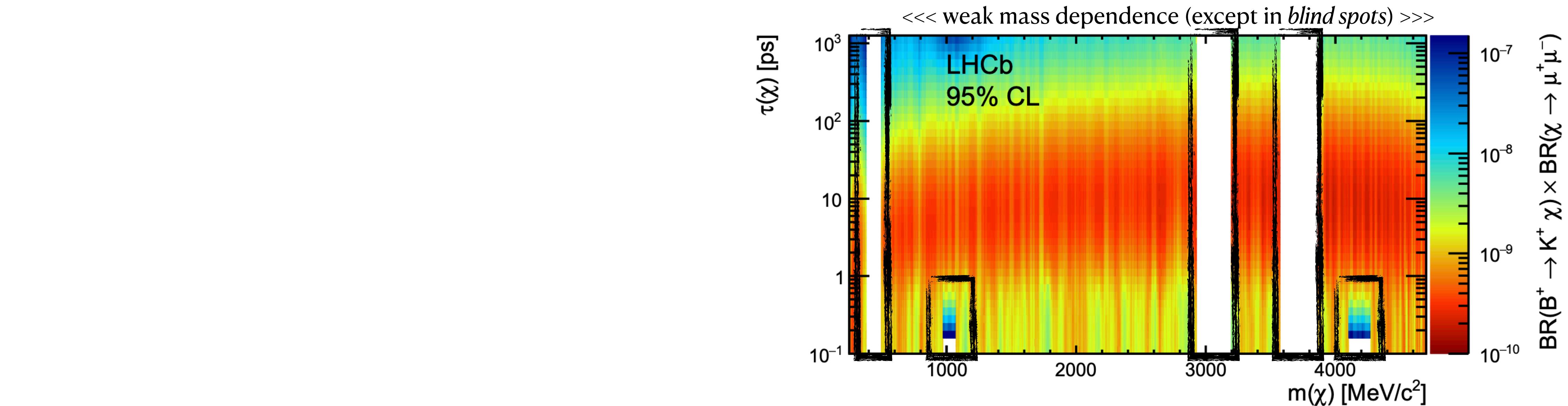
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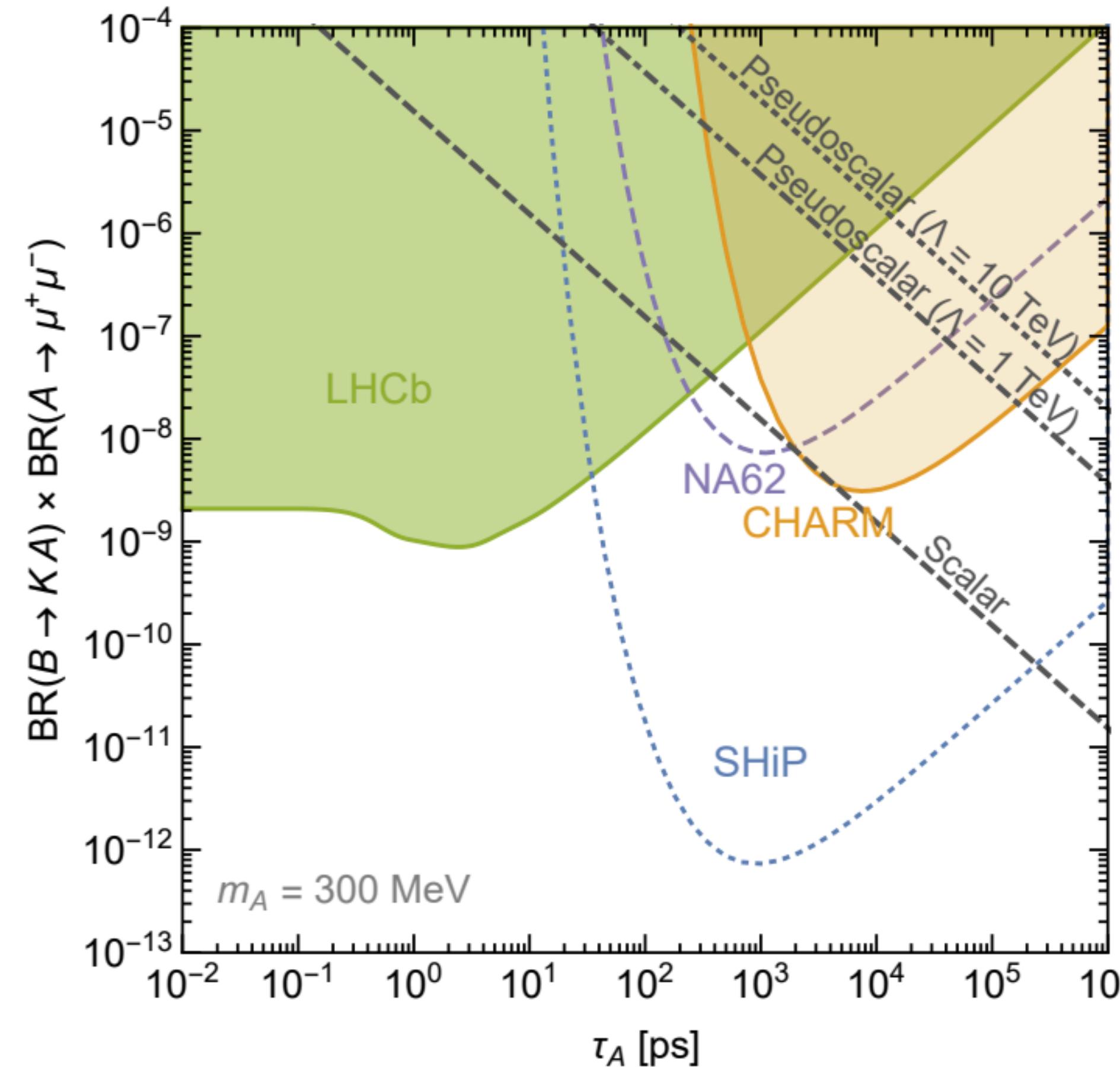
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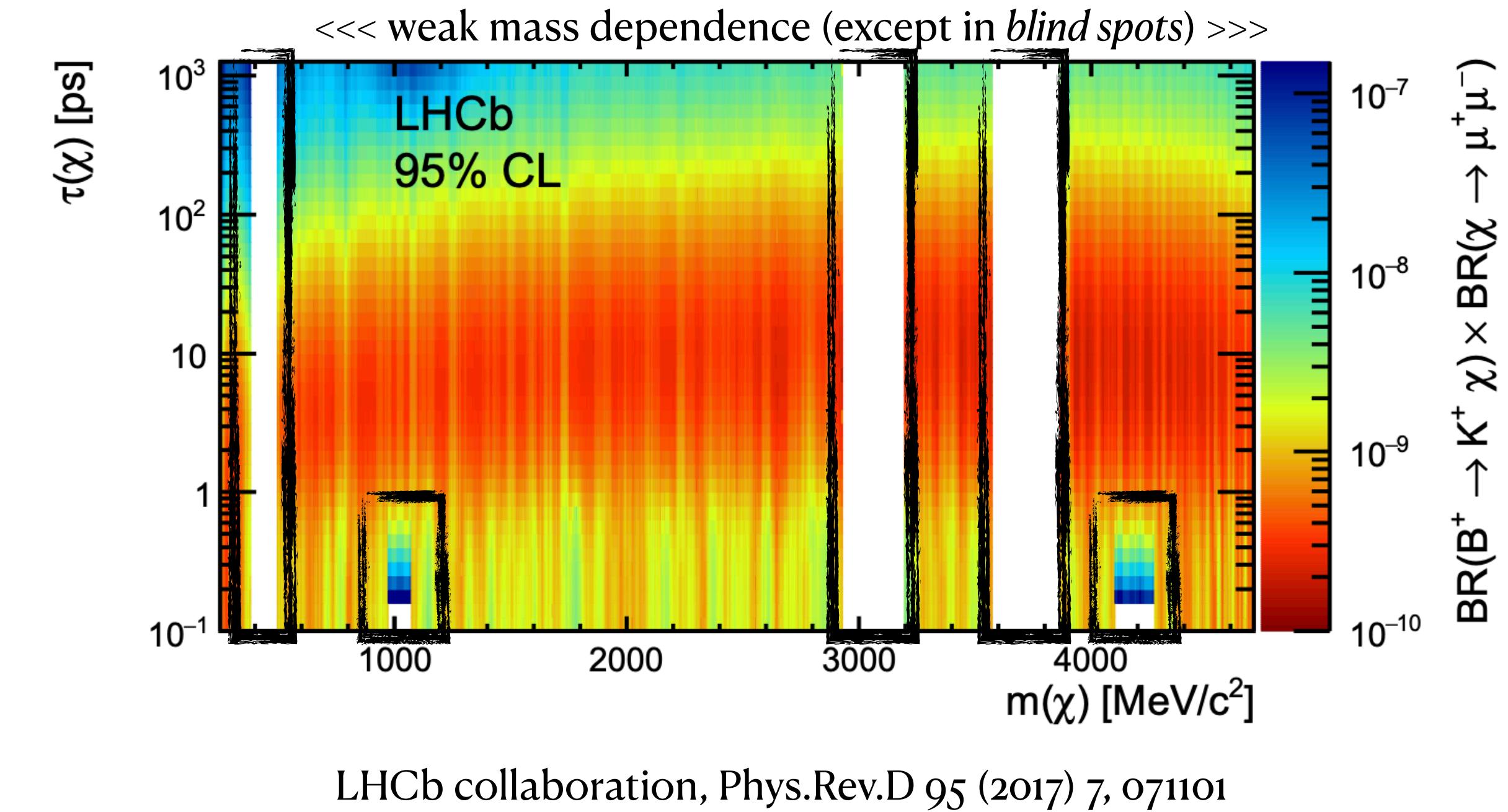
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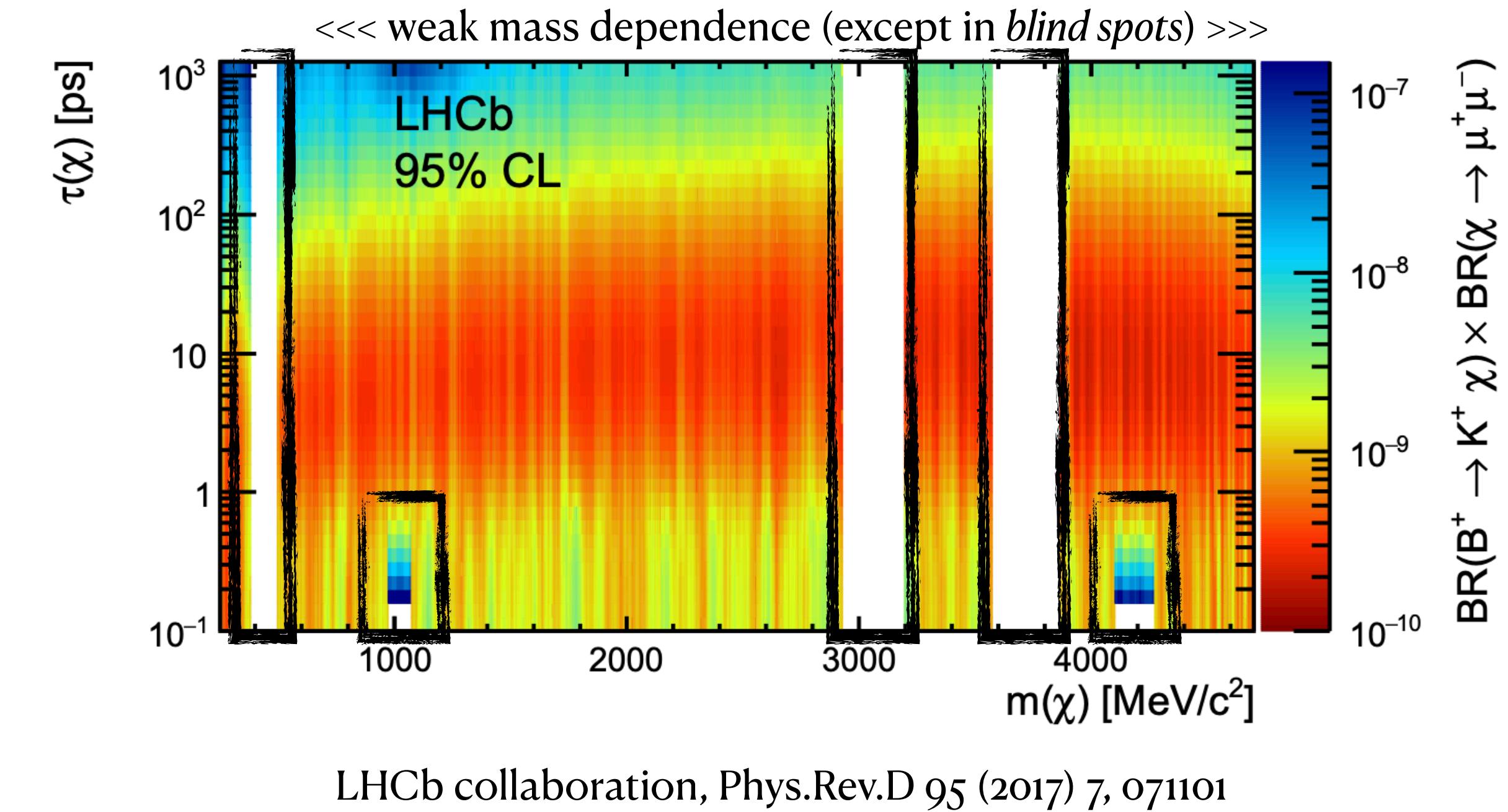
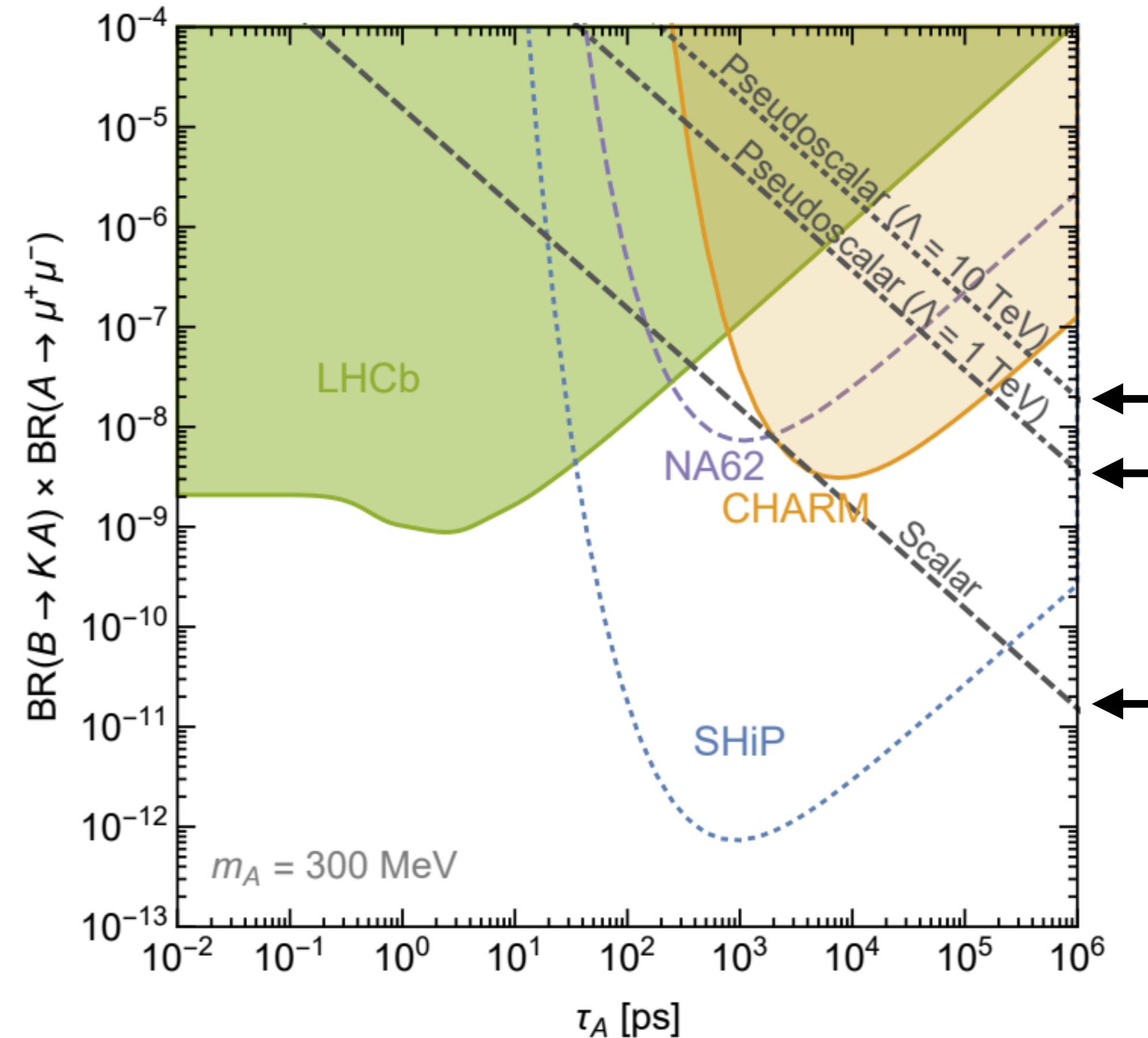


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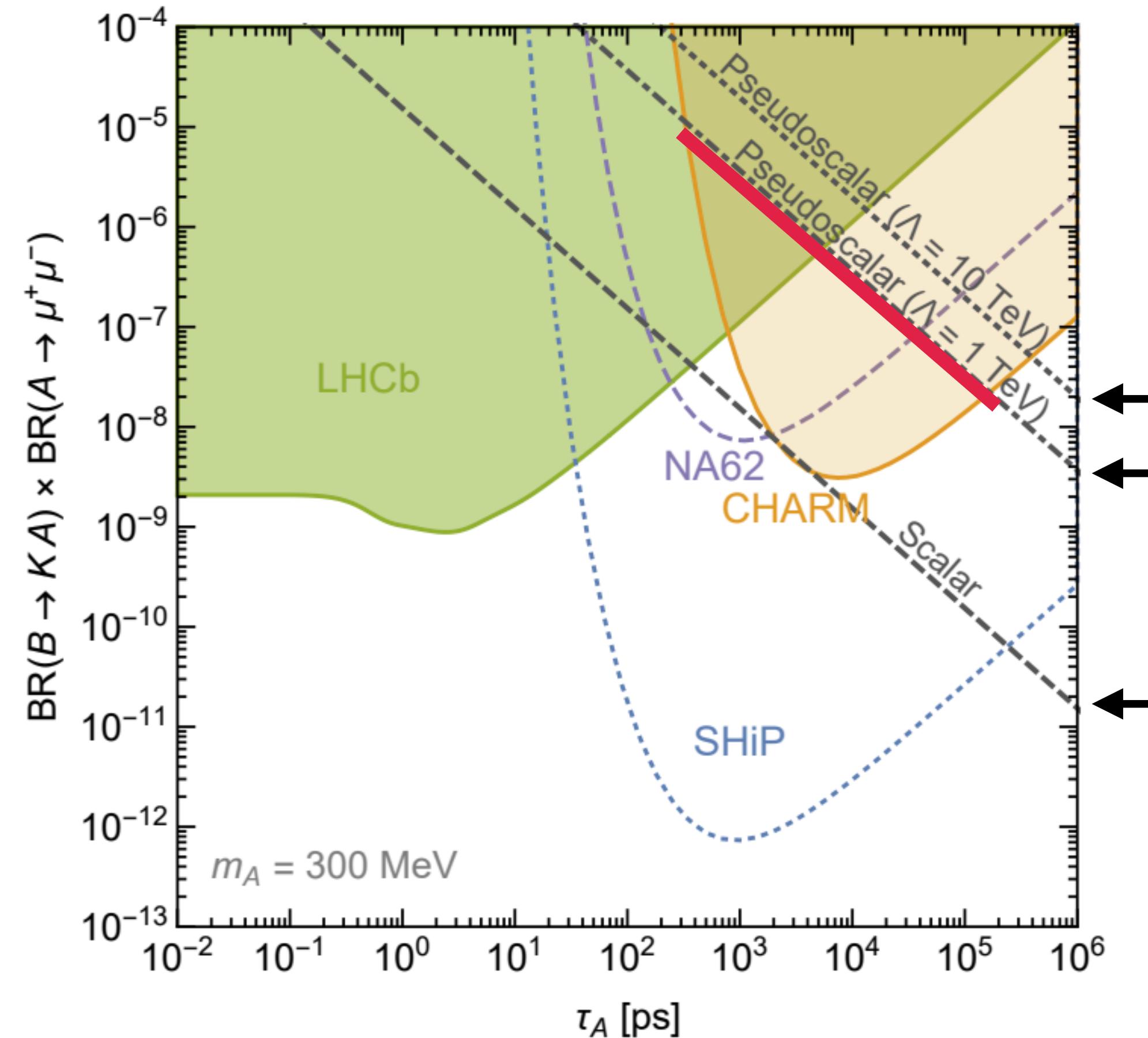
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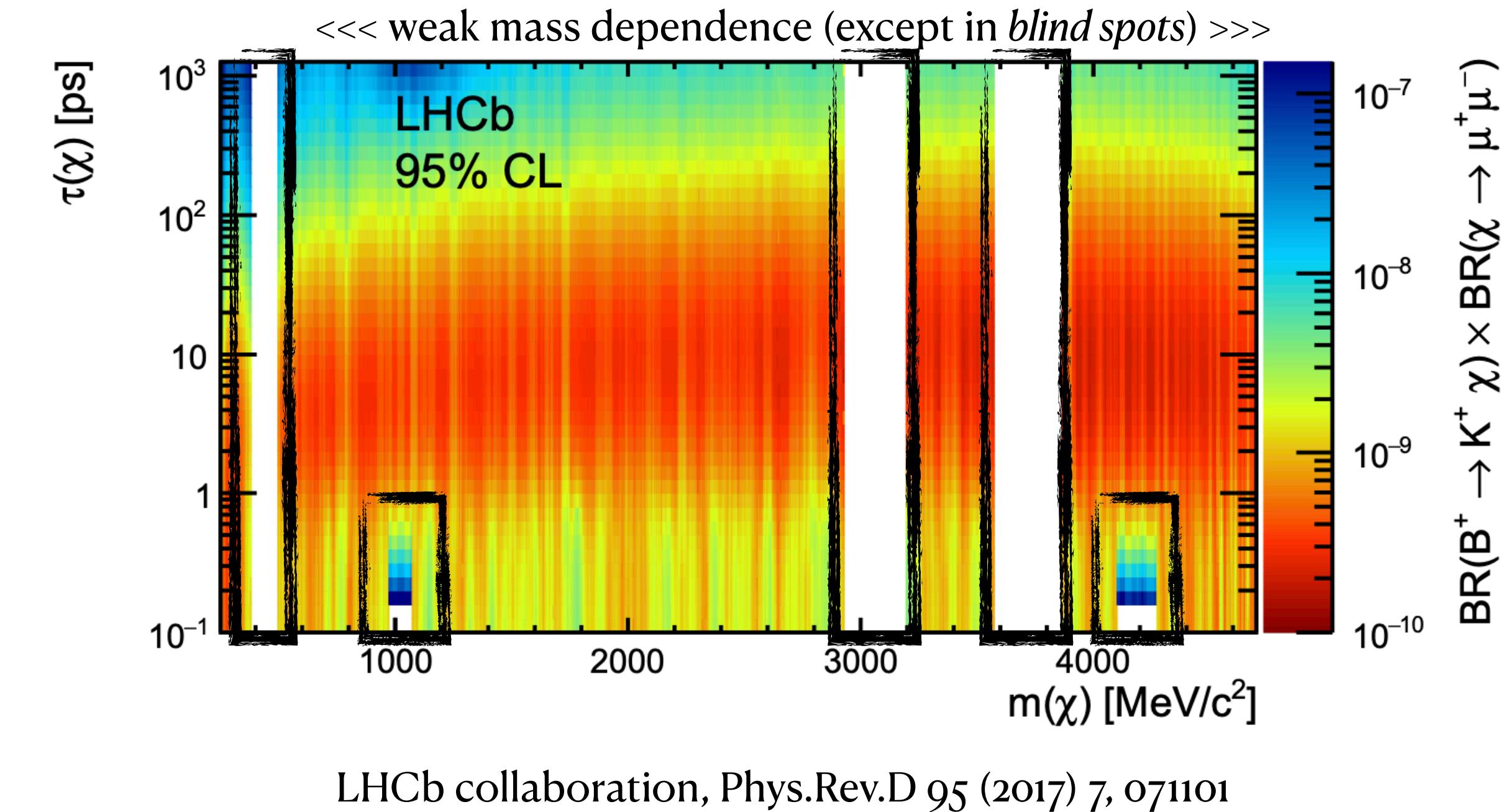
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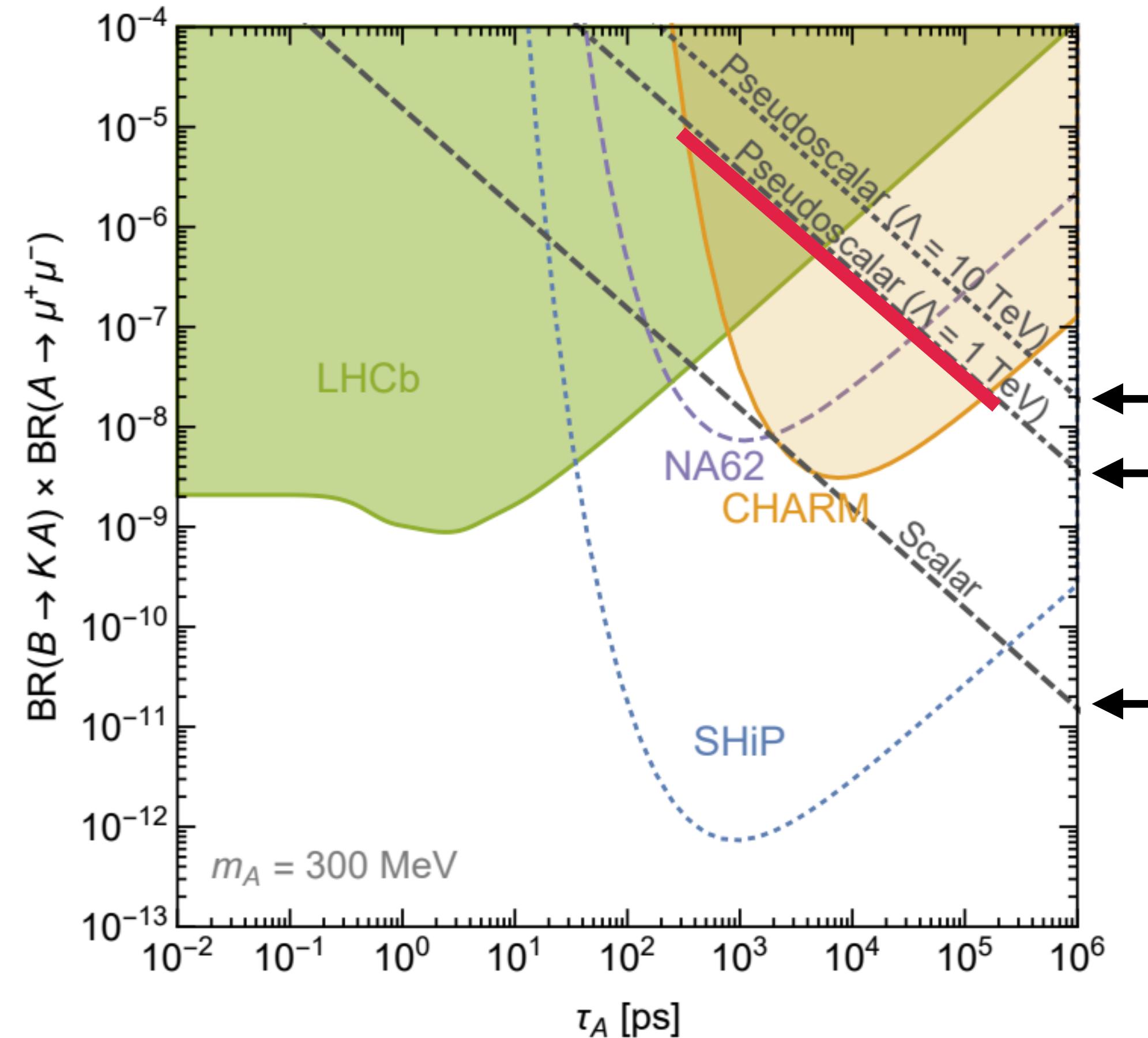
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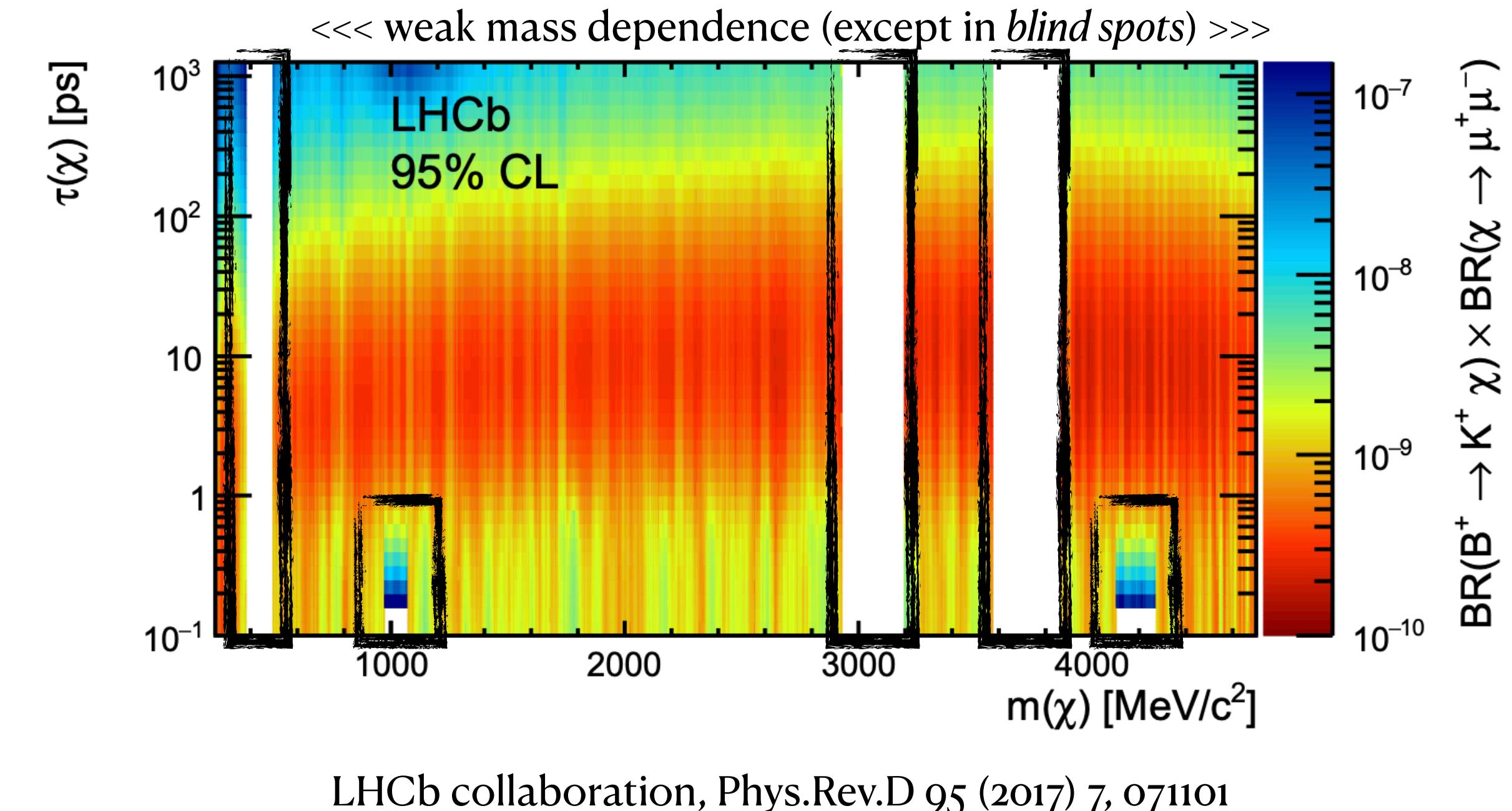
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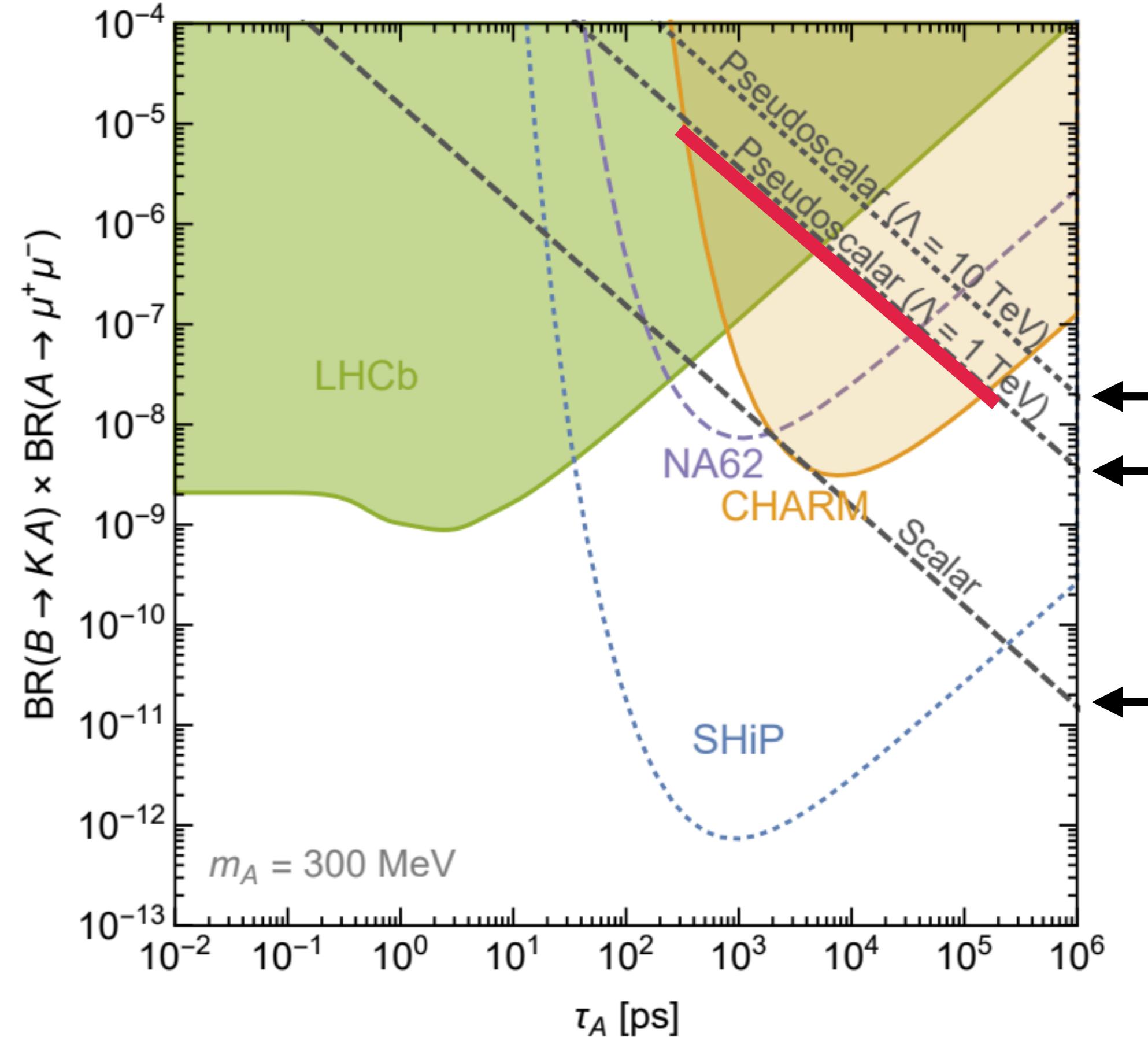
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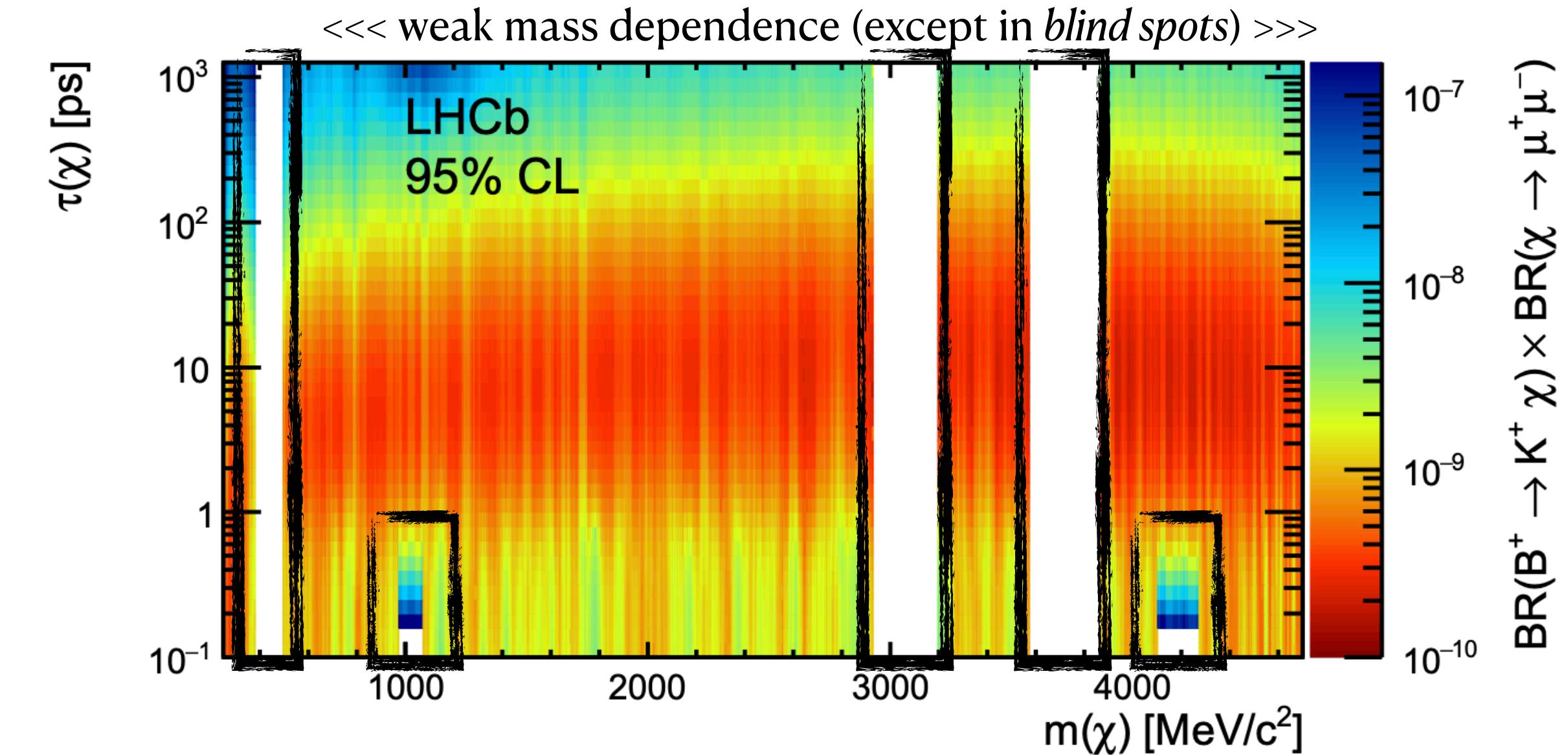
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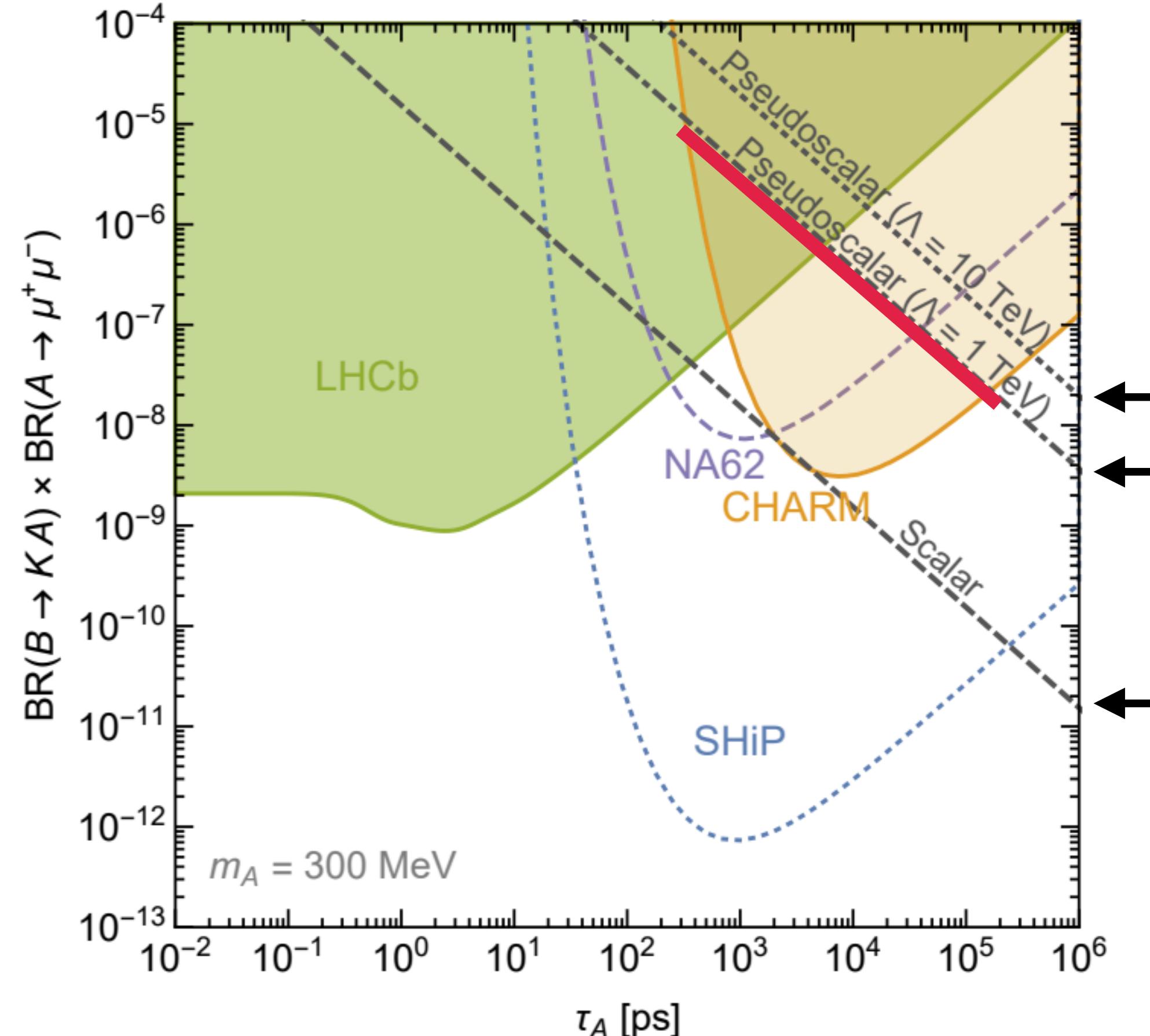
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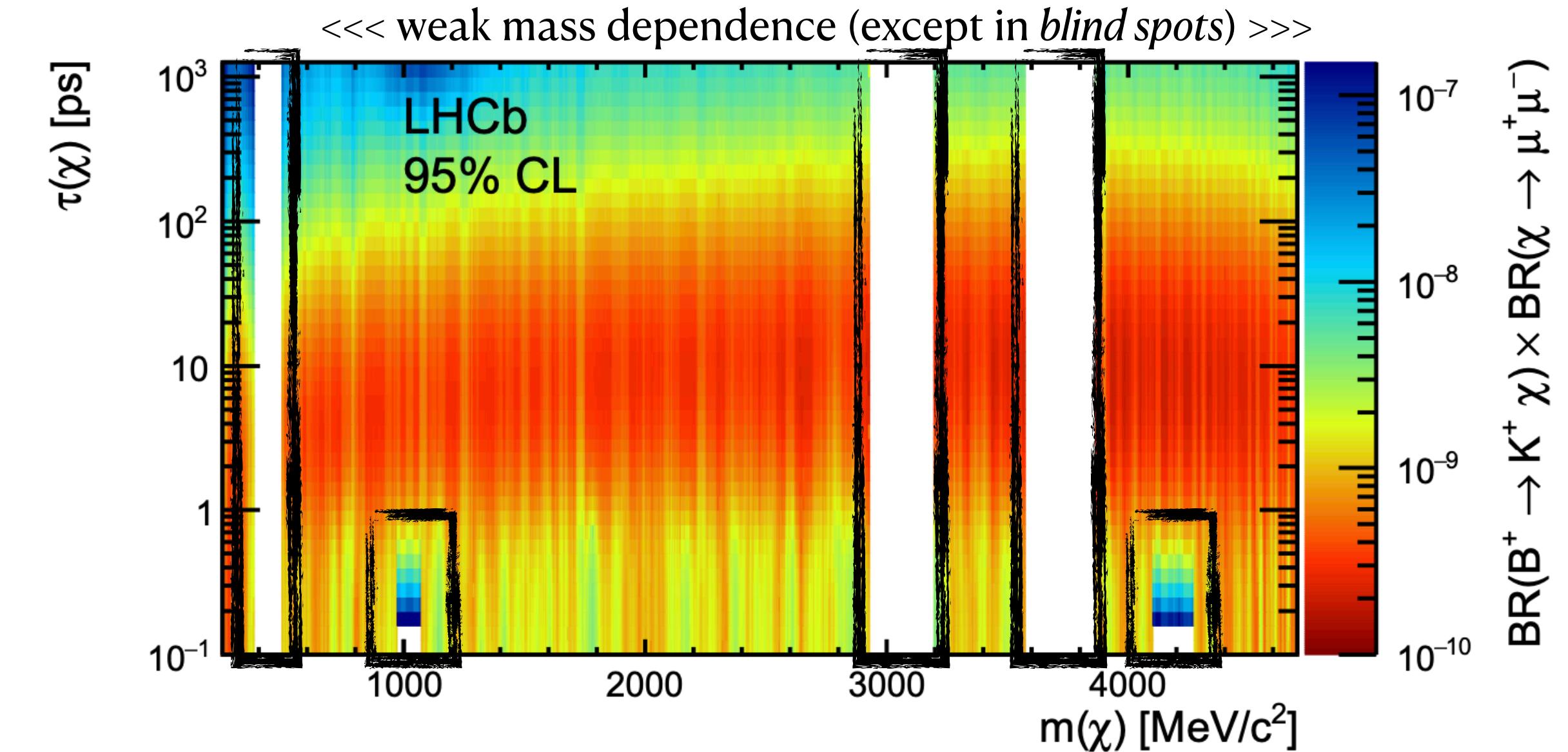
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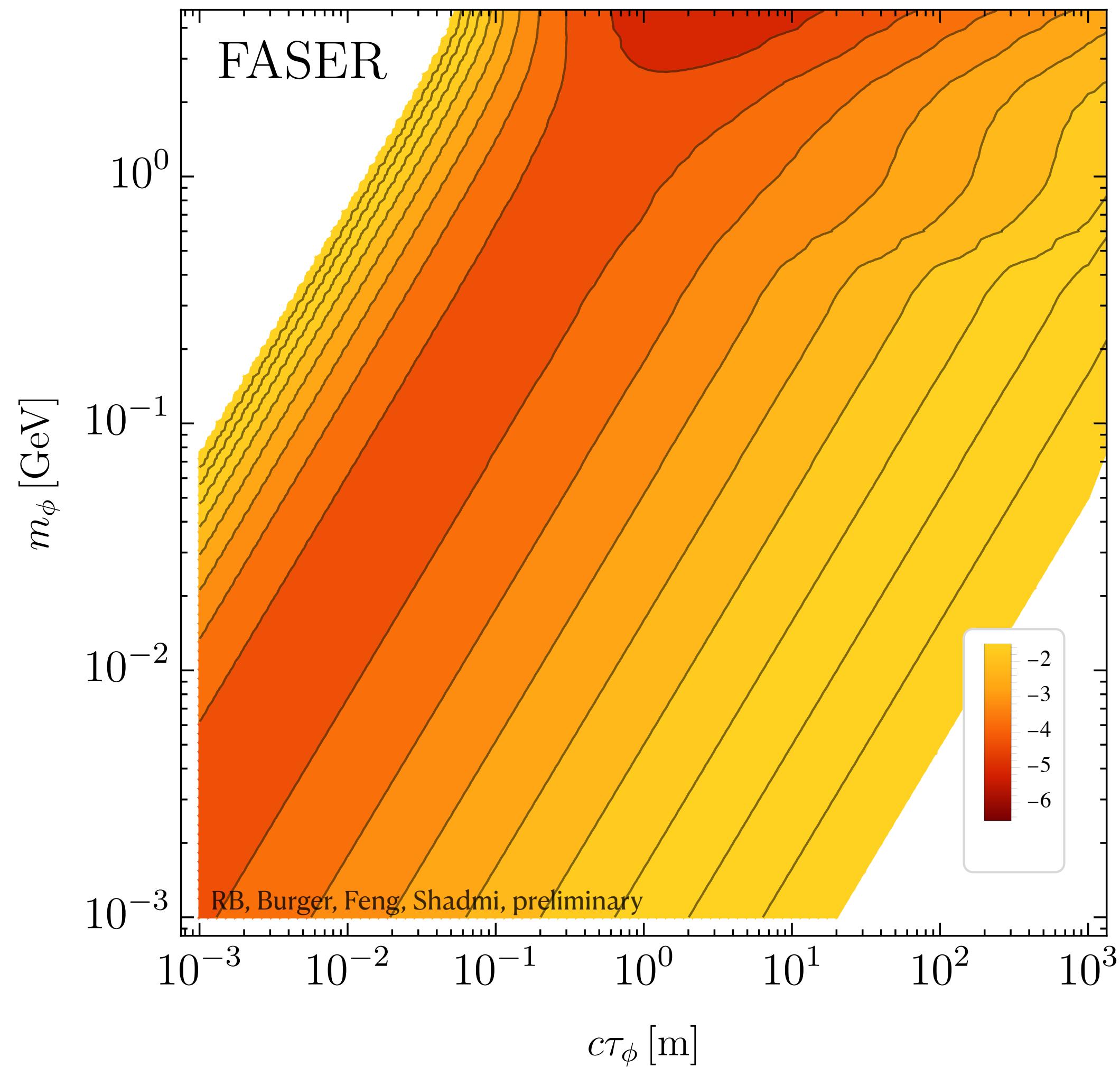
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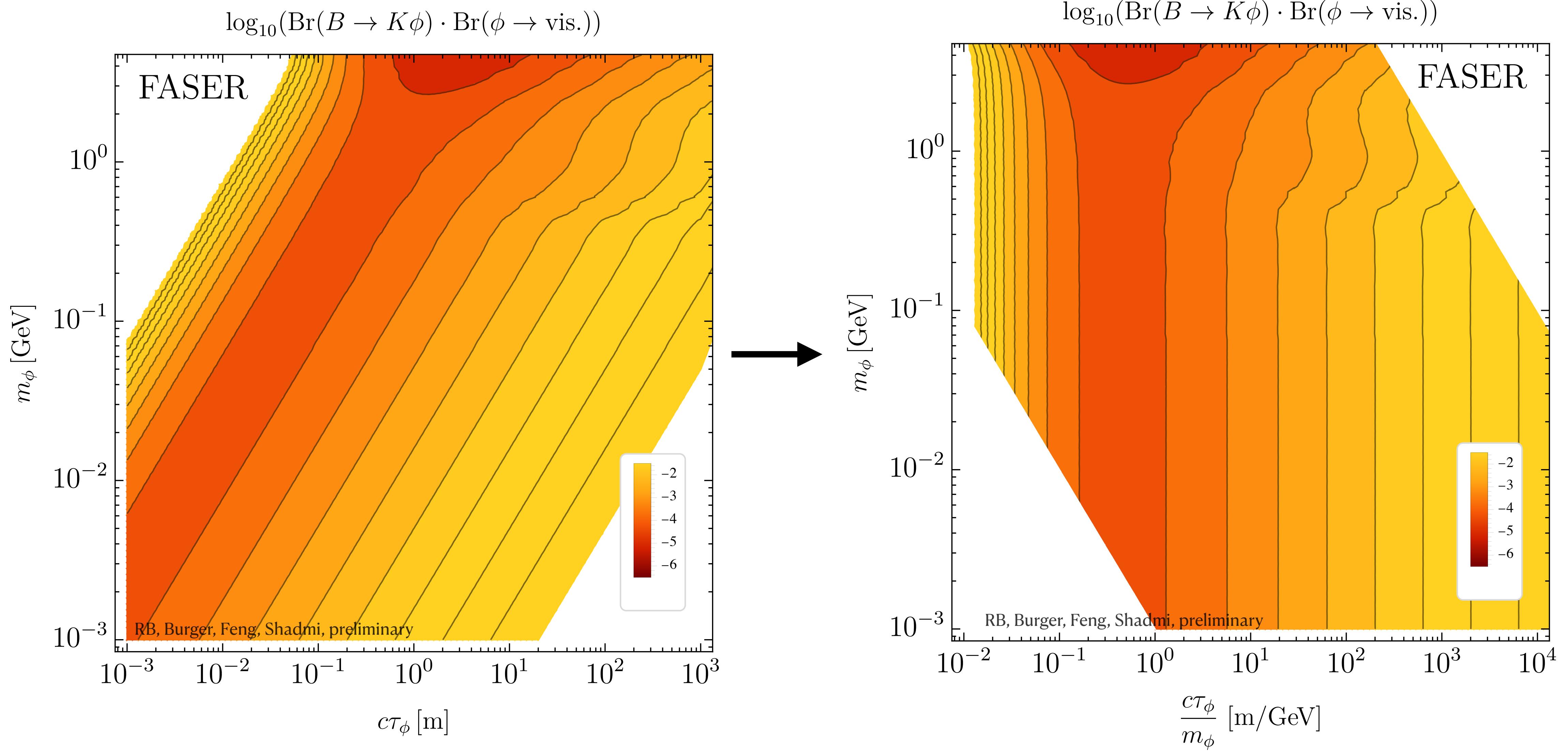
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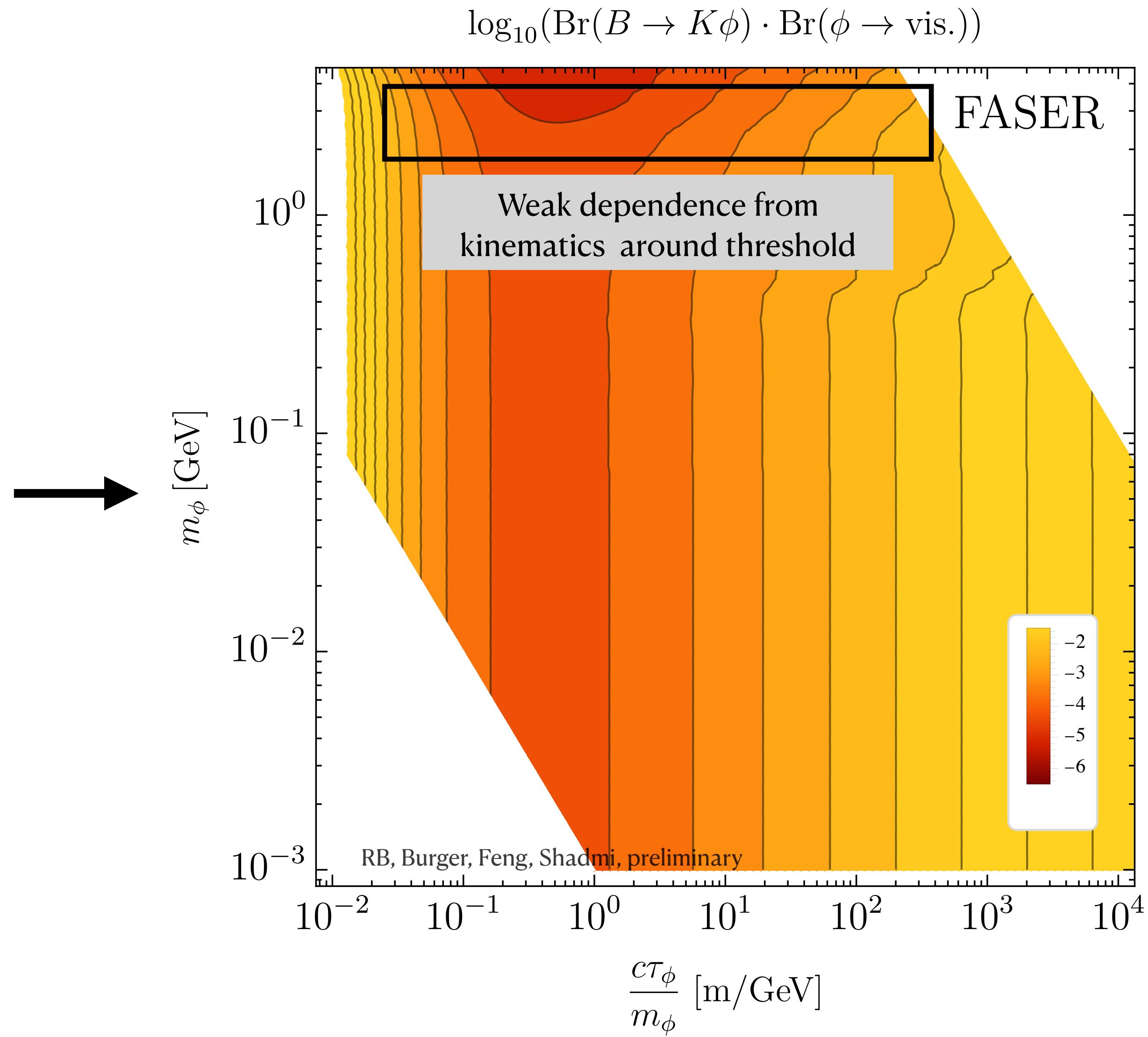
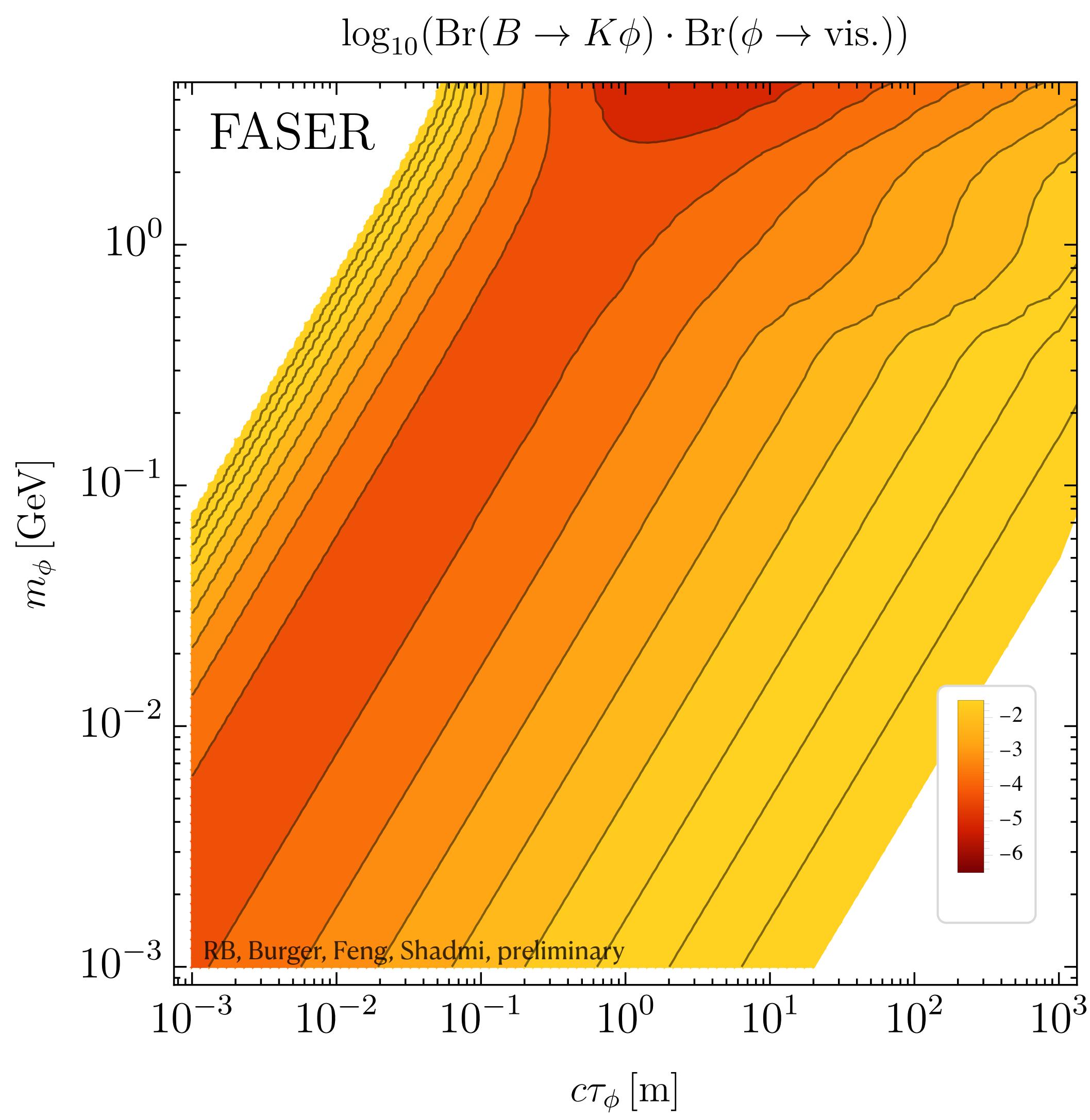
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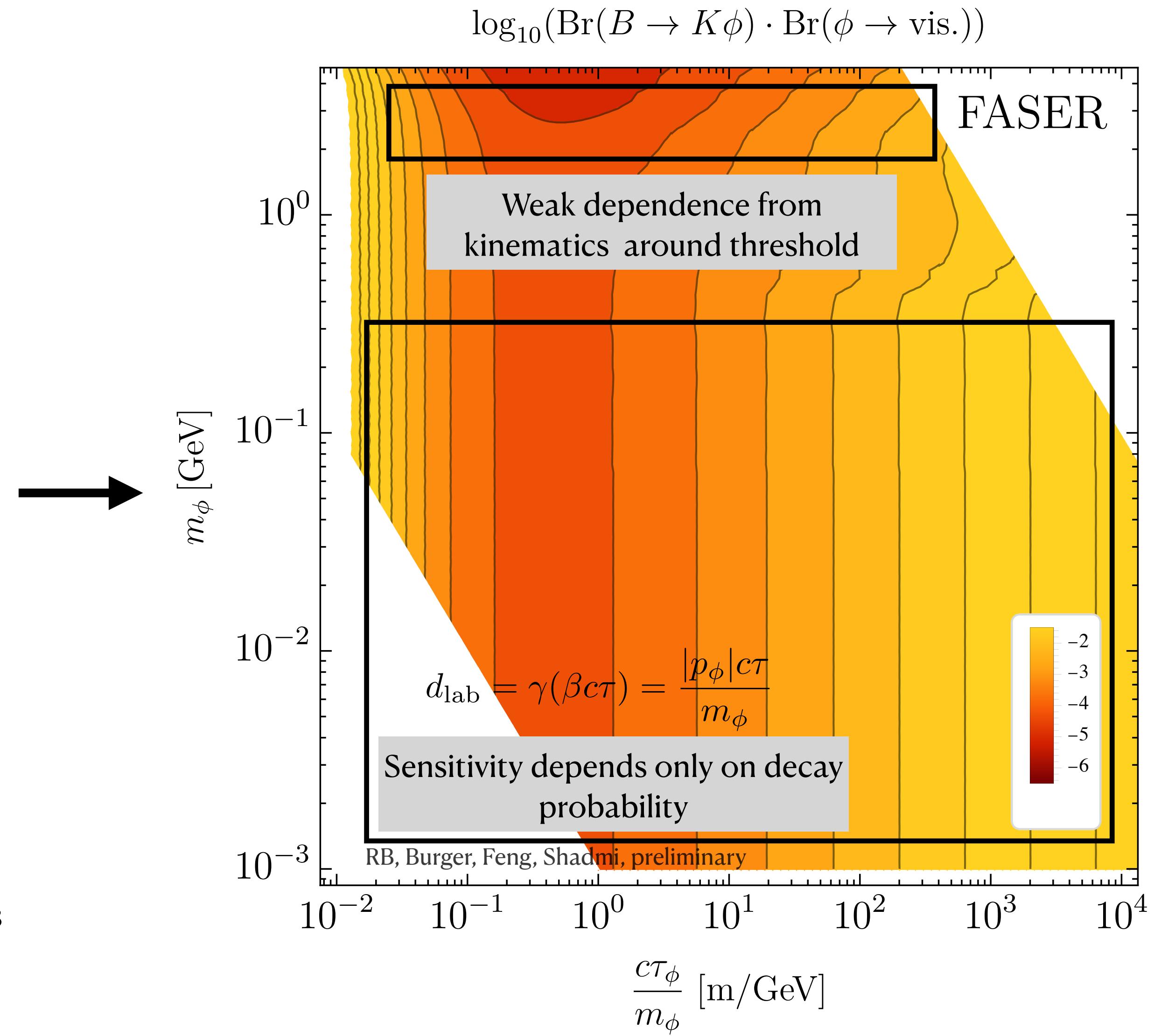
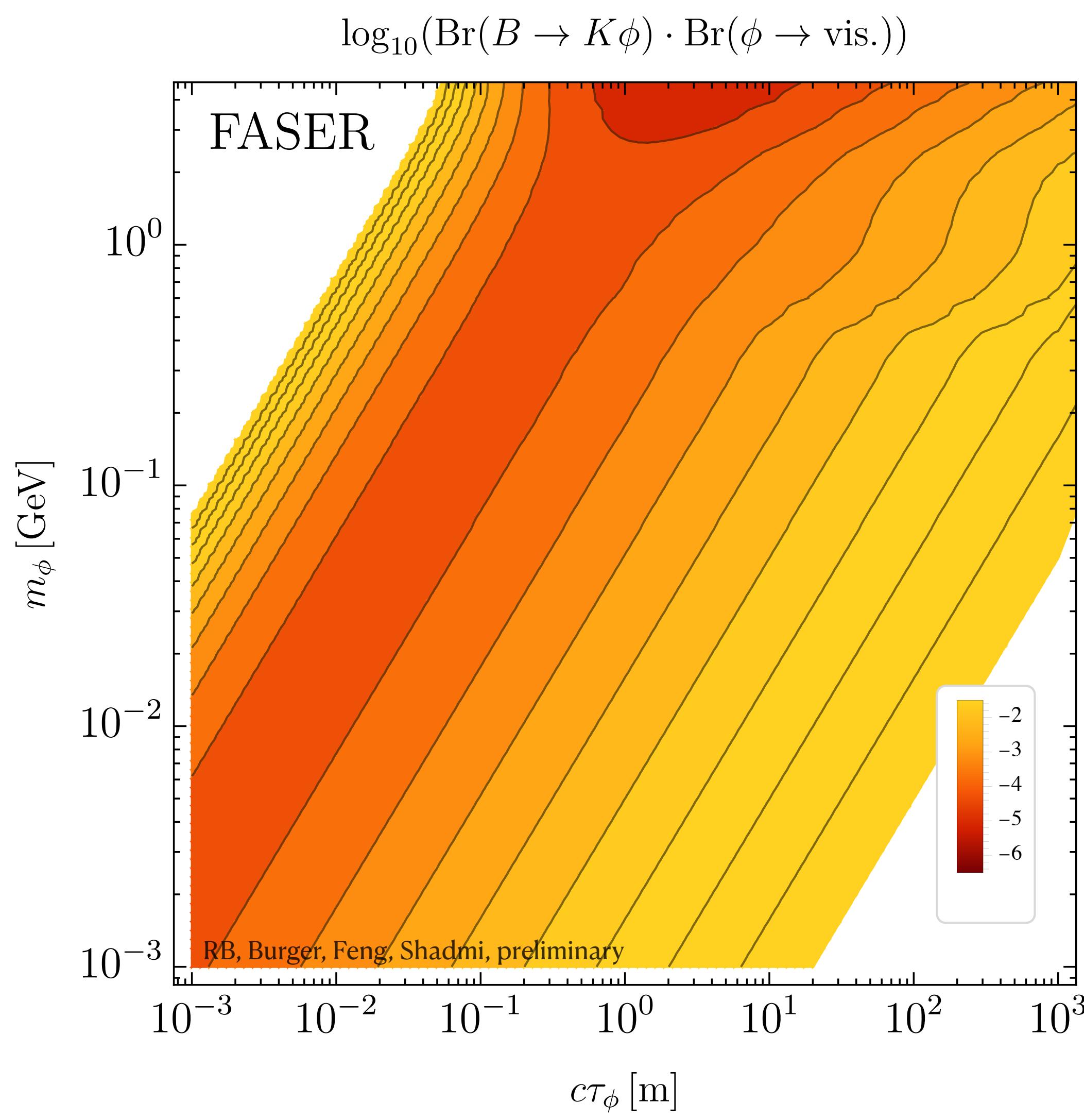
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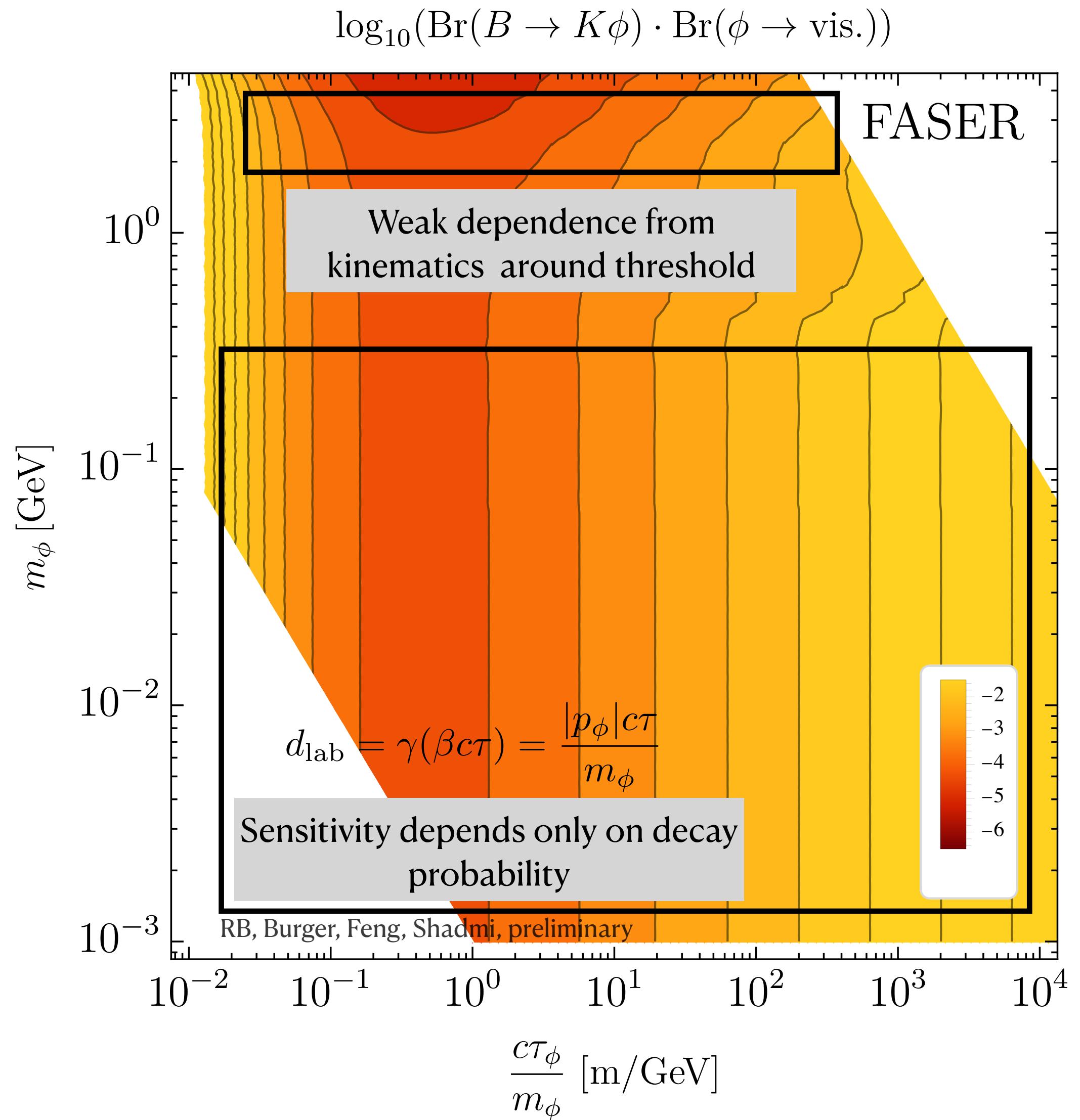
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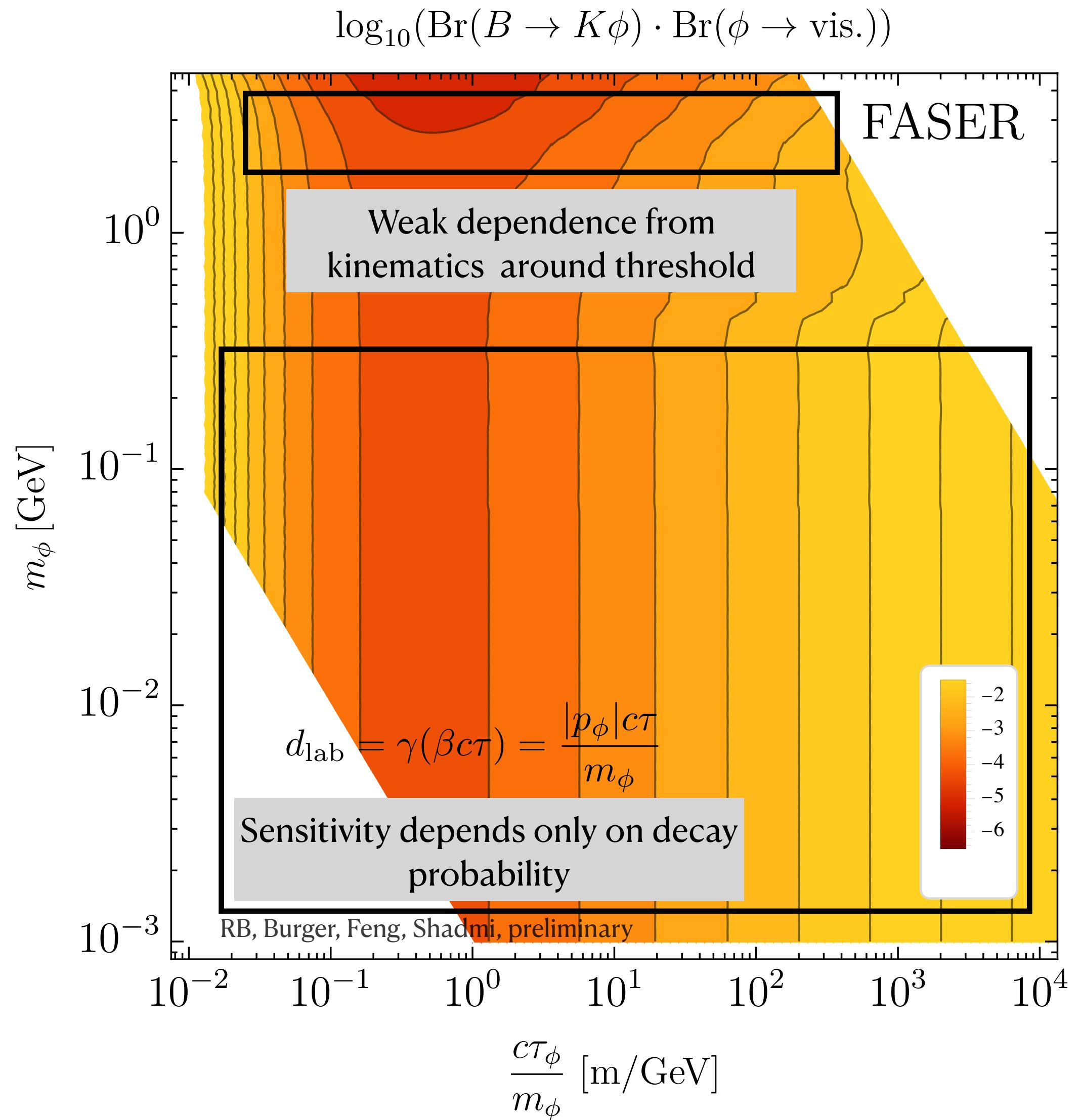


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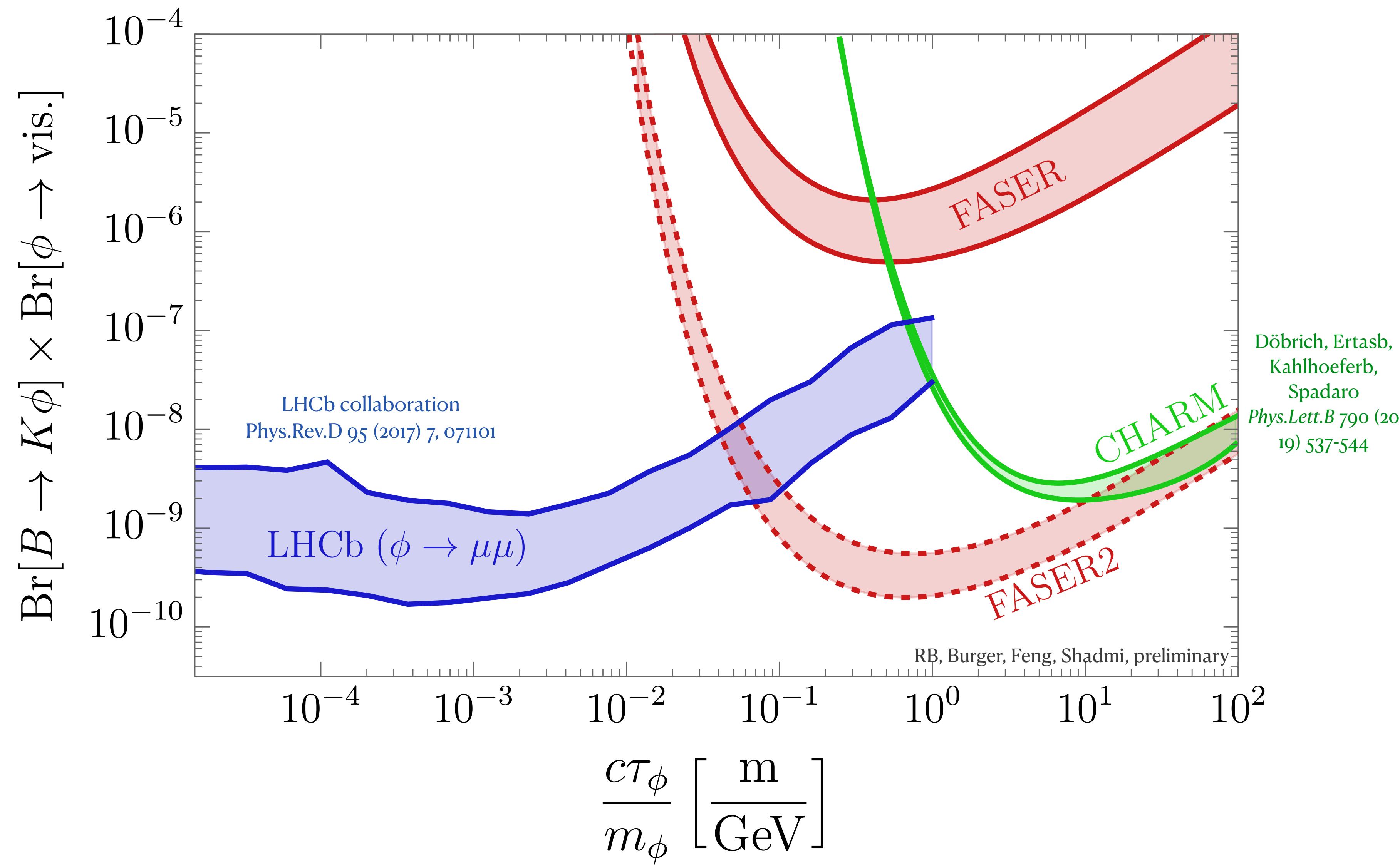
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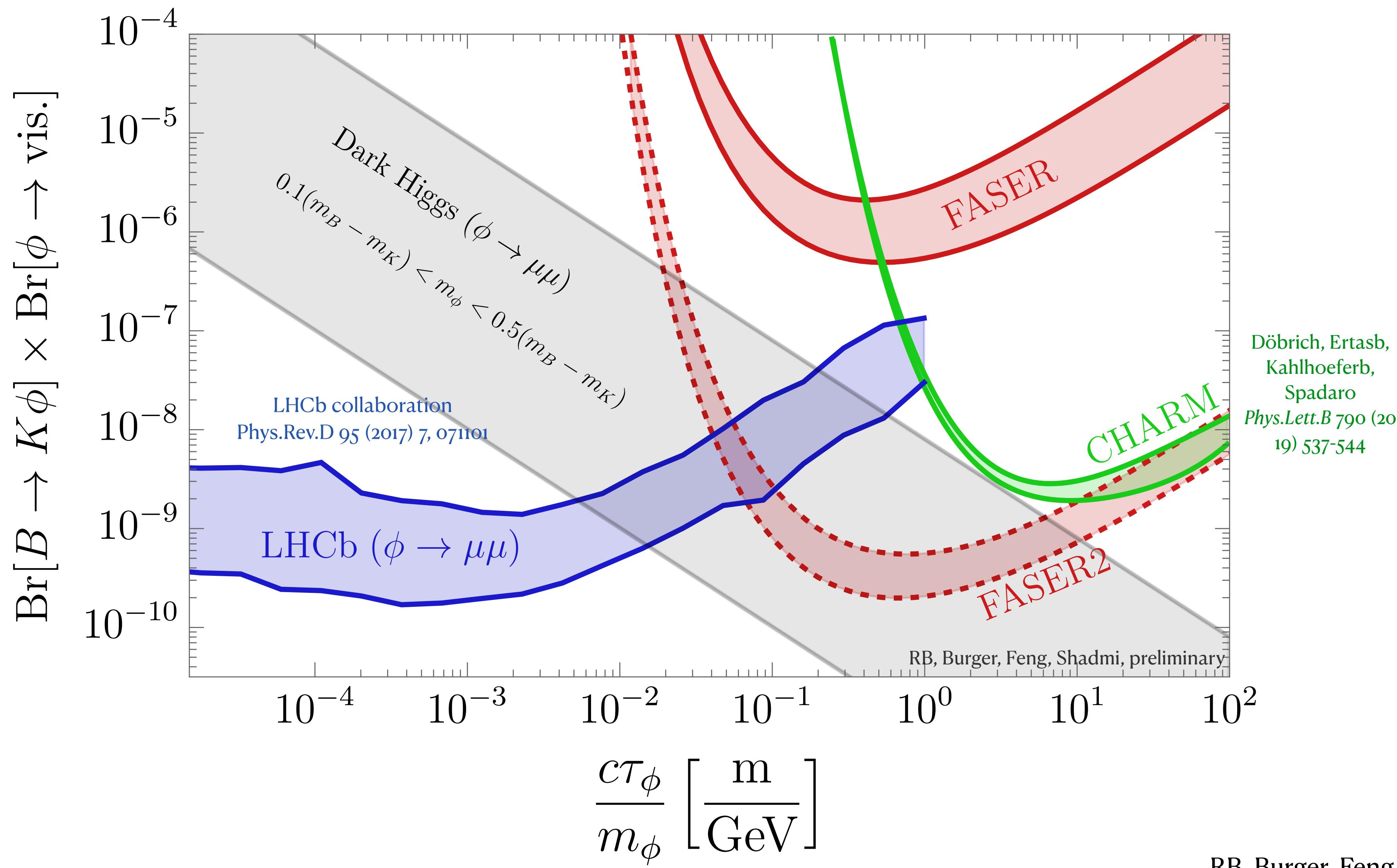
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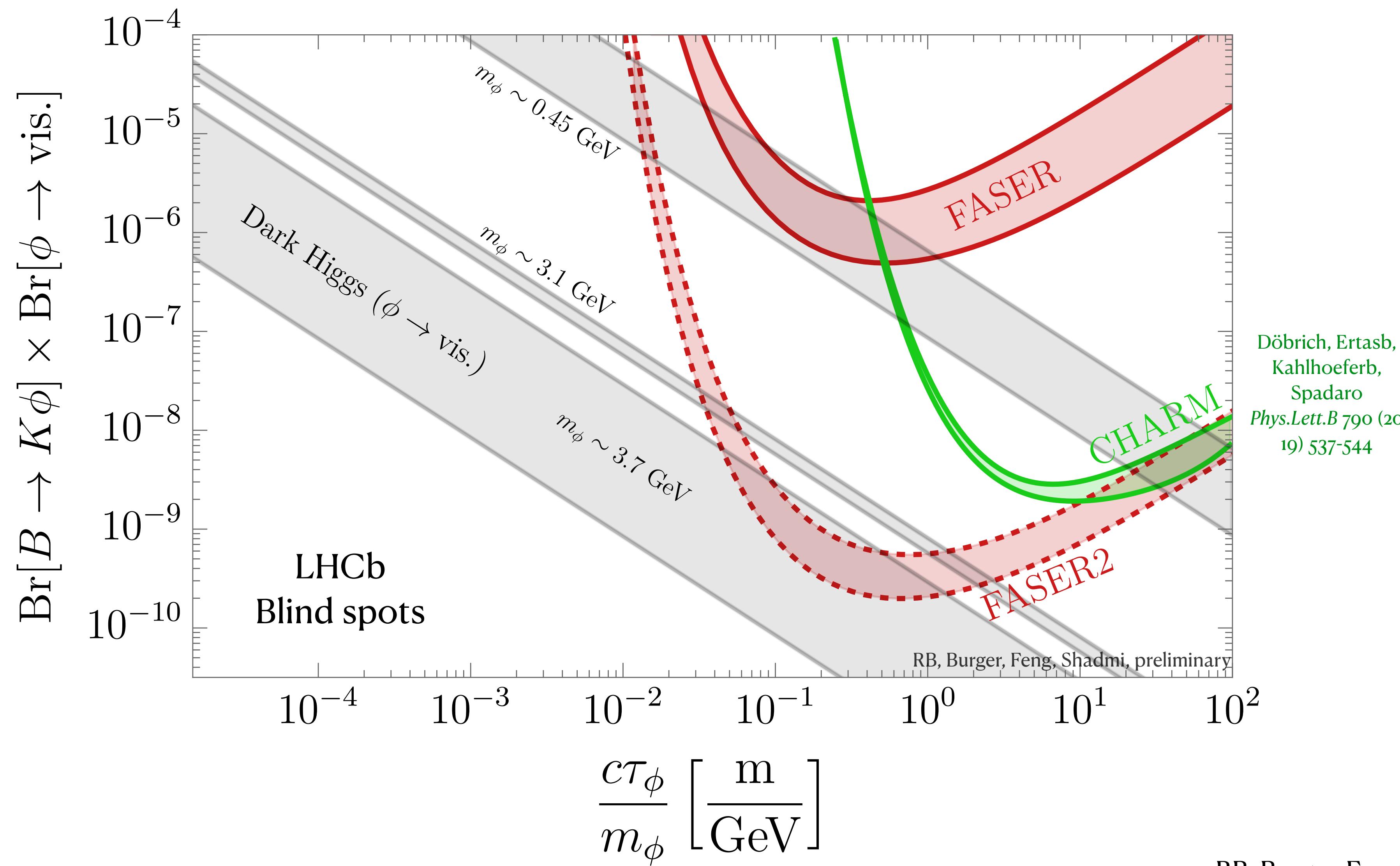
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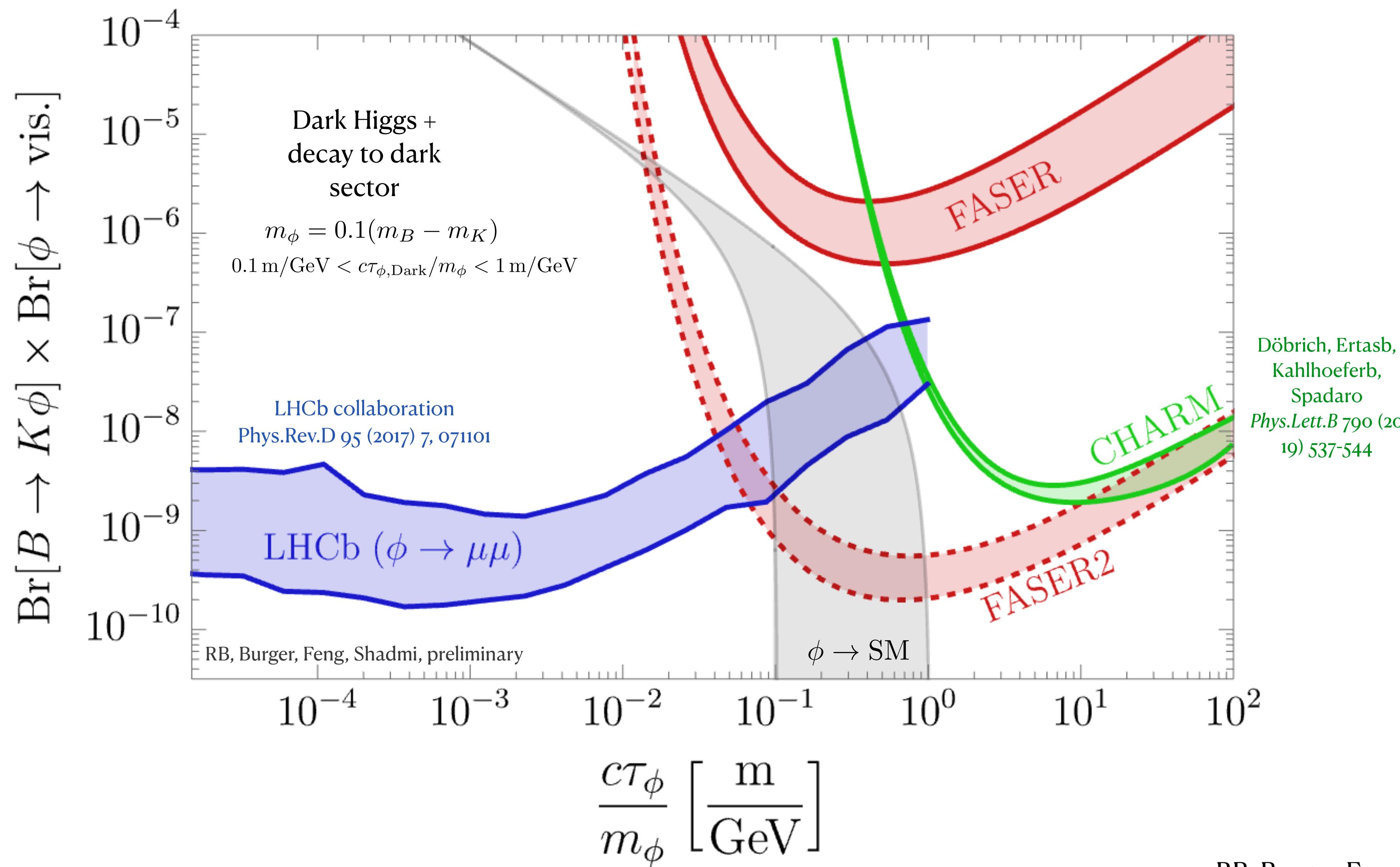
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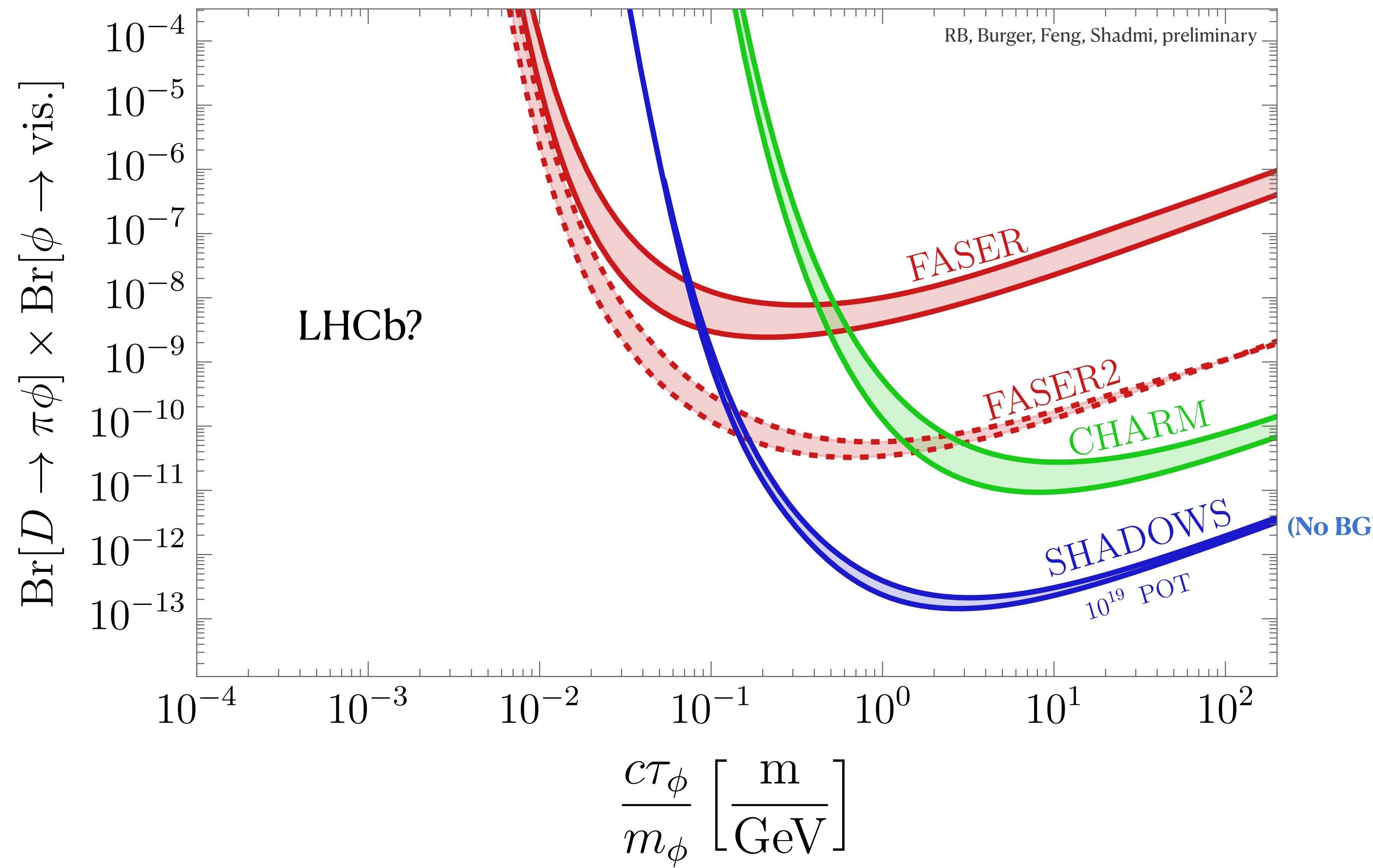
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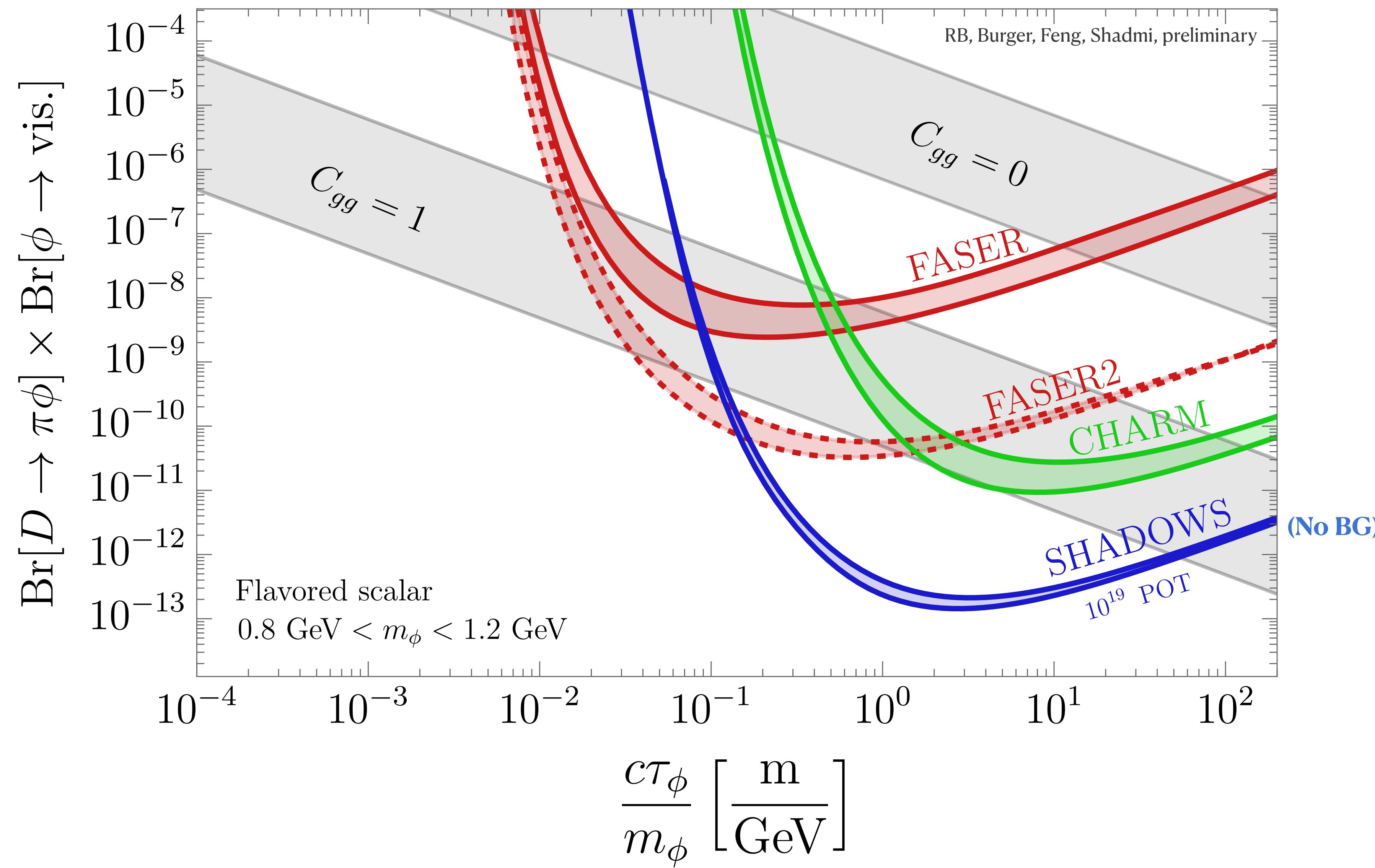
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# Summary

- Model-independent approach to meson decay sensitivities/bounds
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# Outlook

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