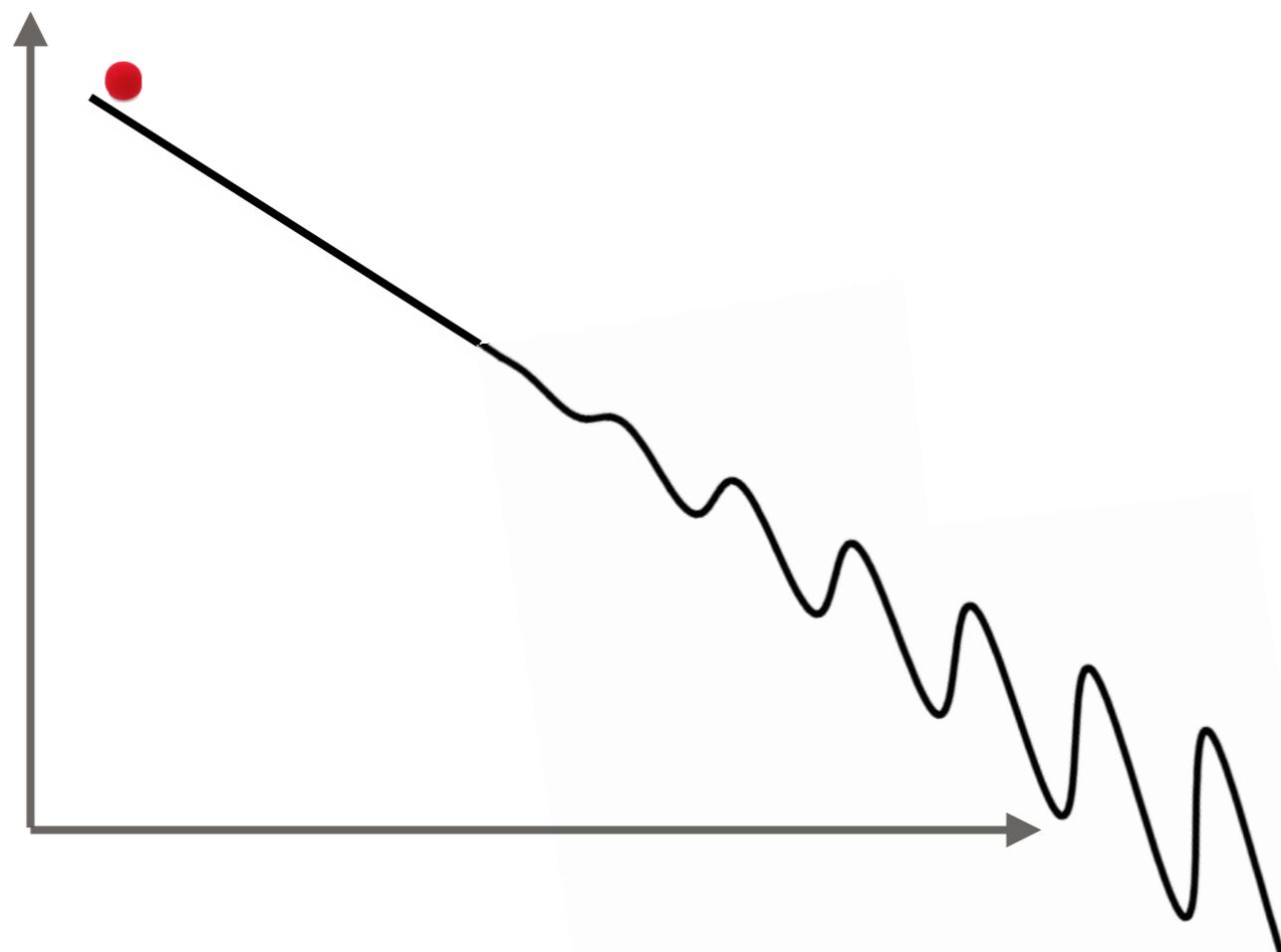


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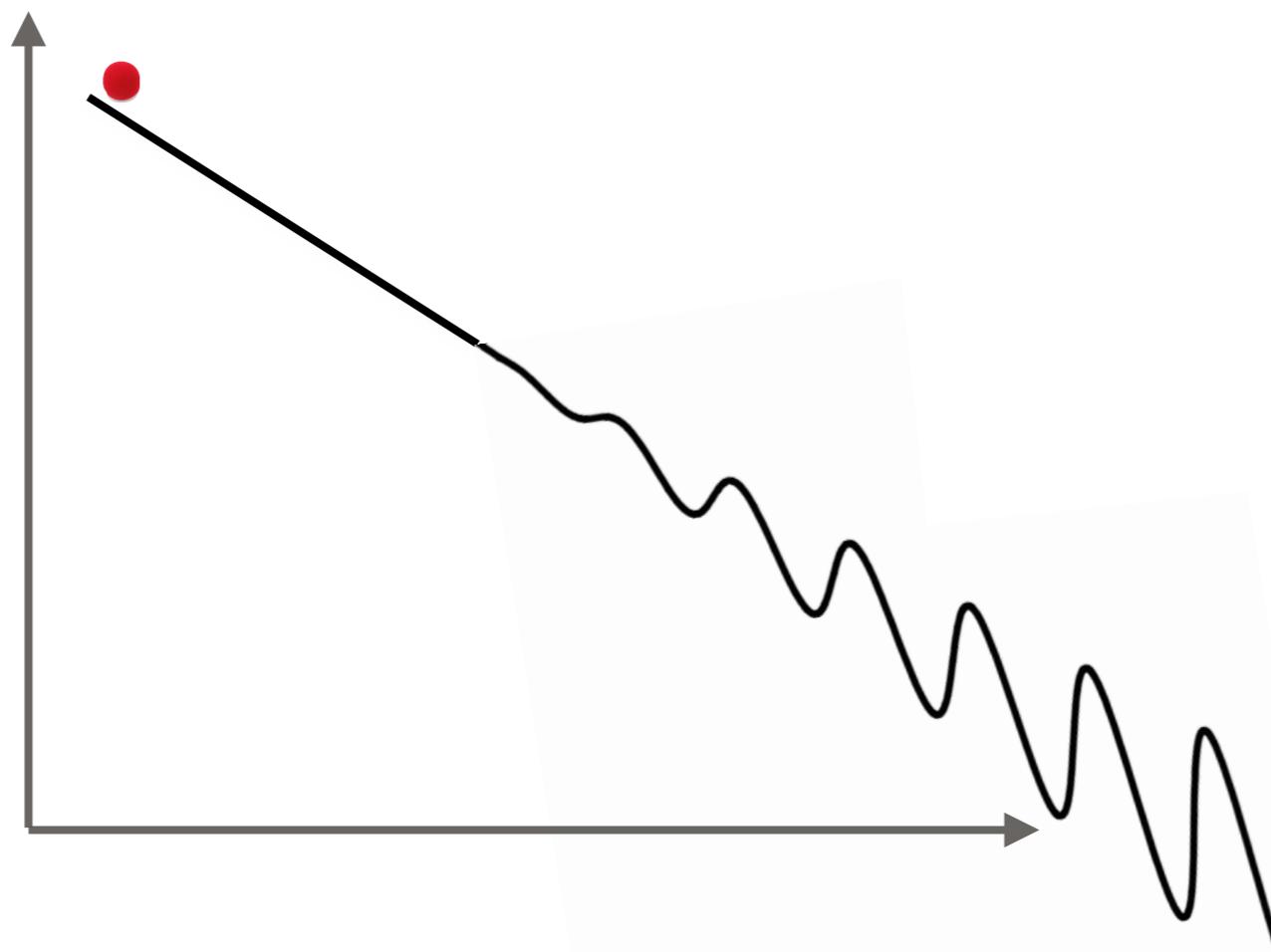


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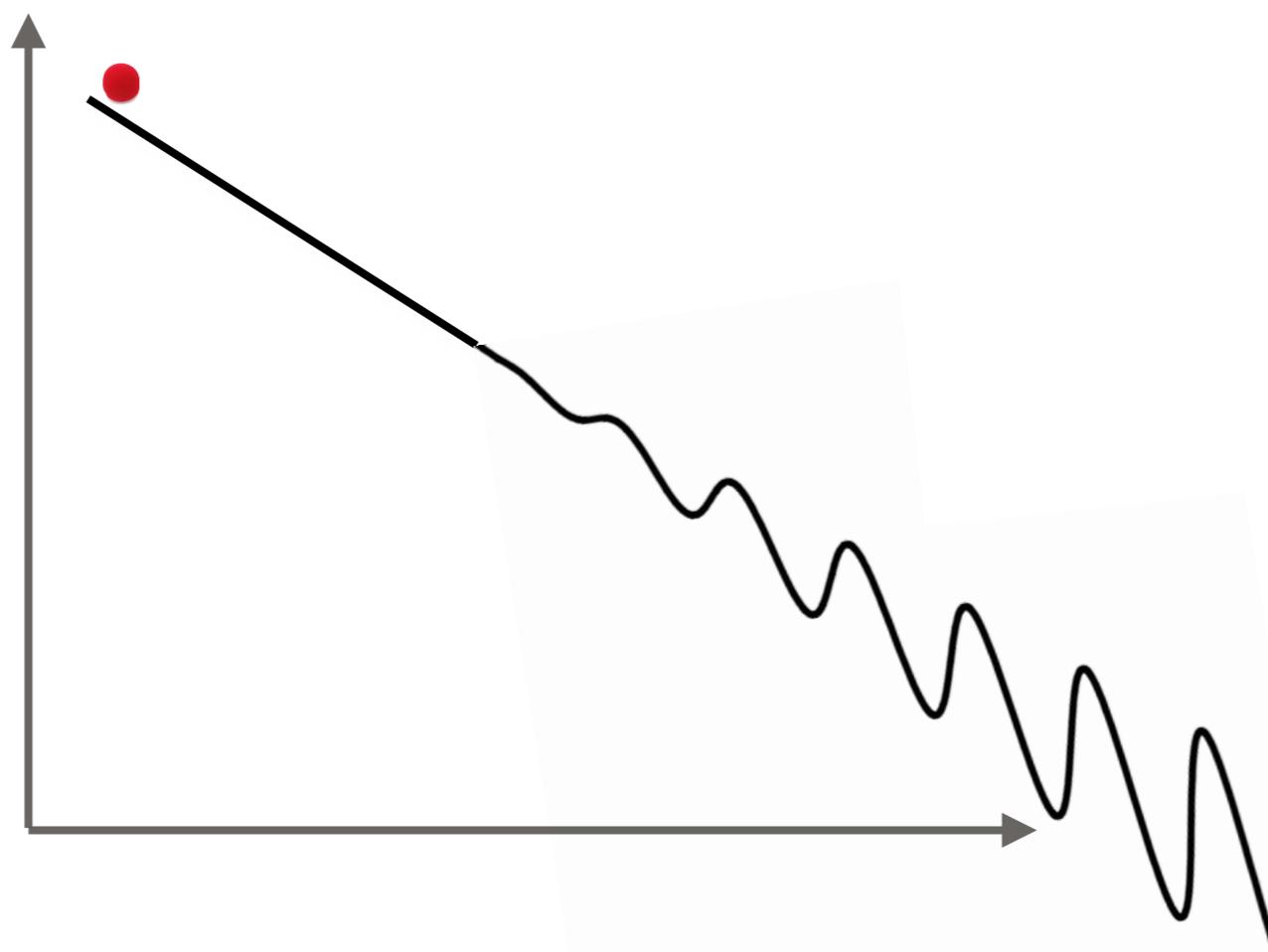
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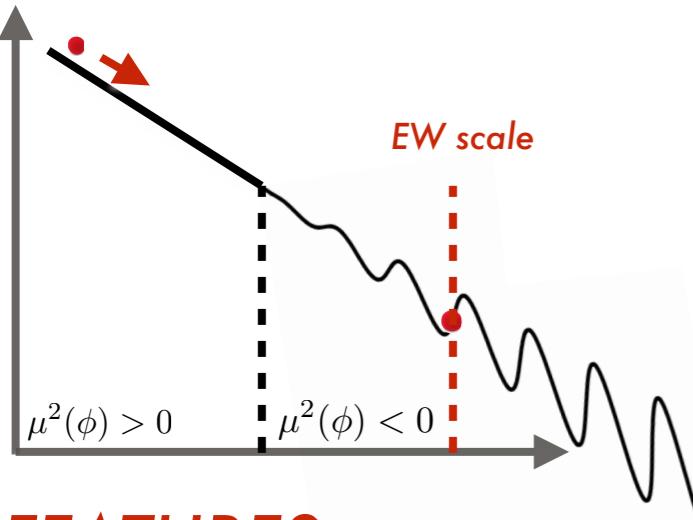
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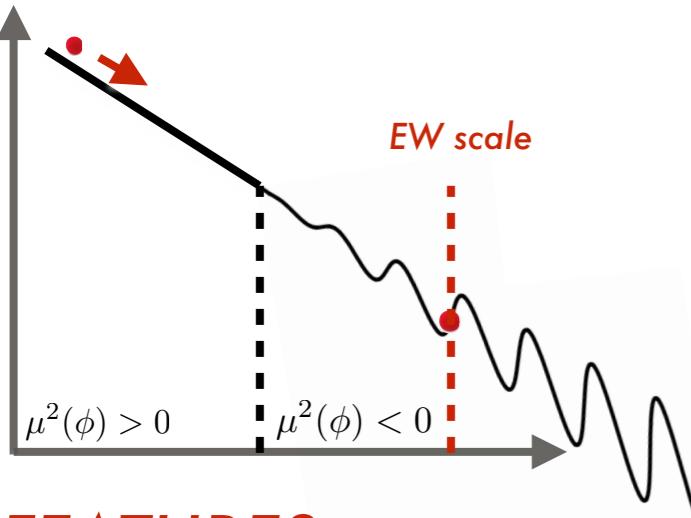


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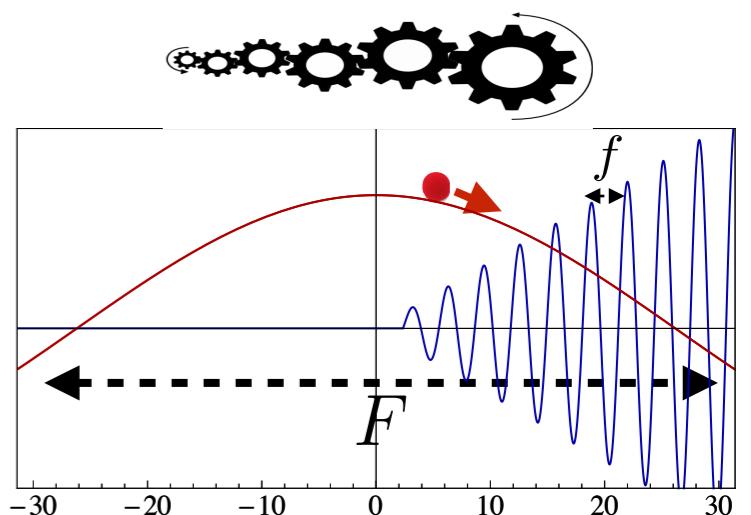


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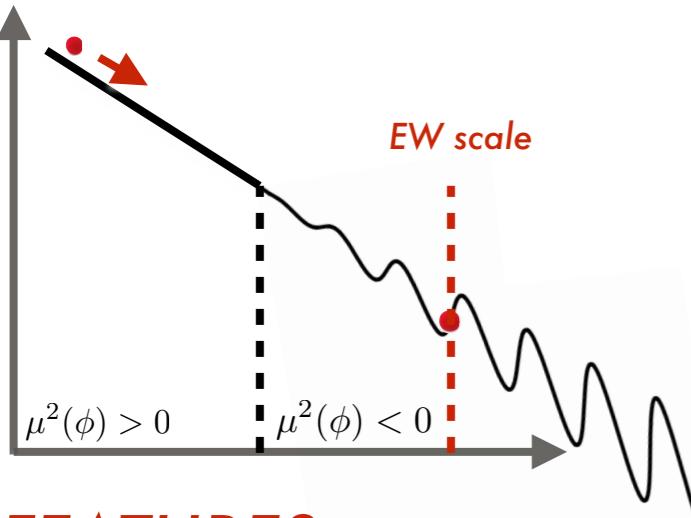
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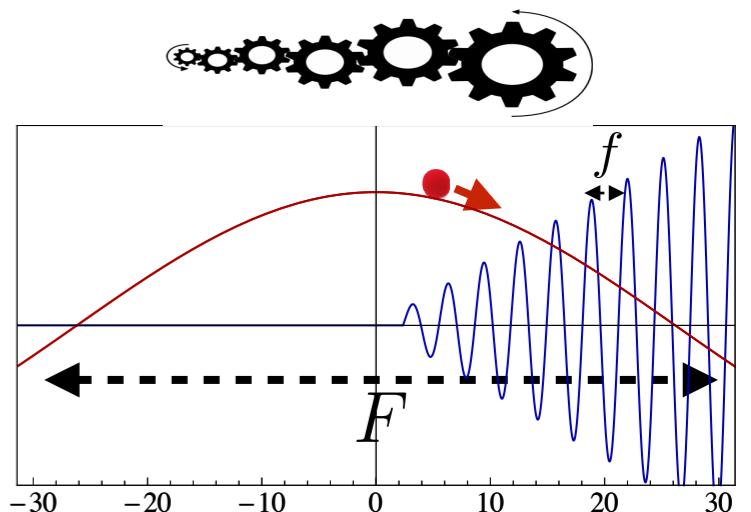


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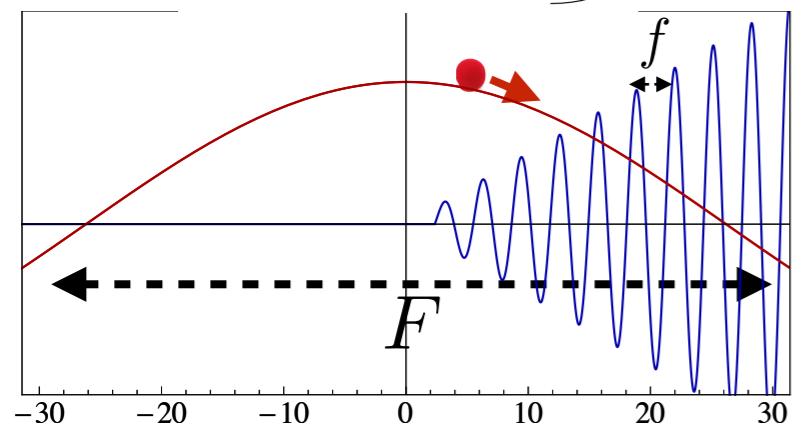
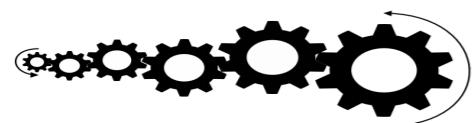
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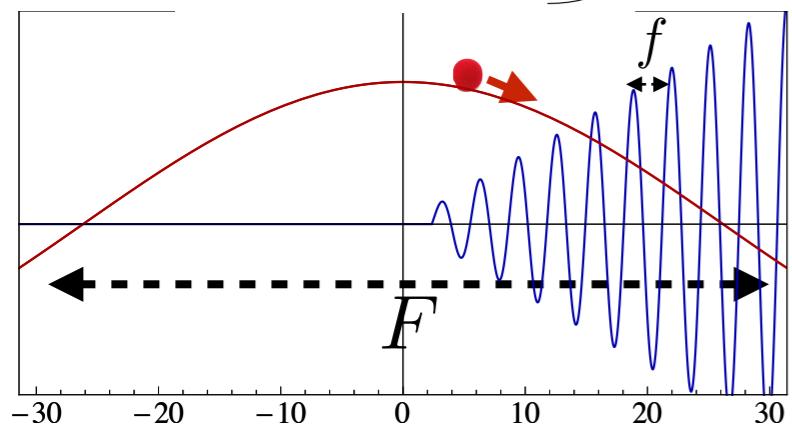
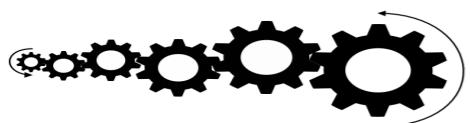
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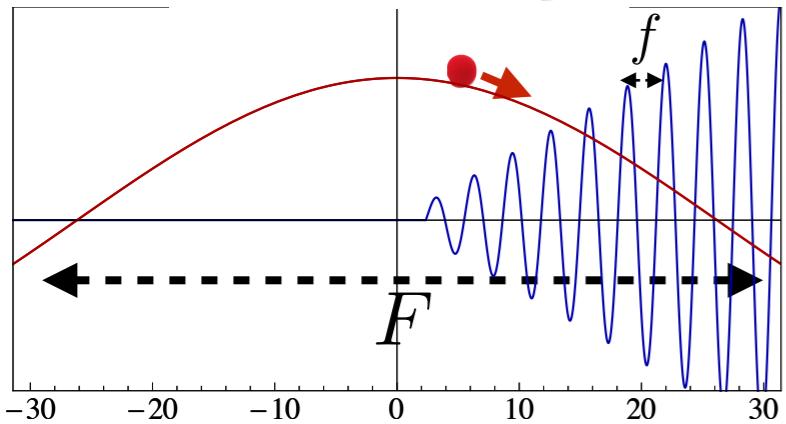
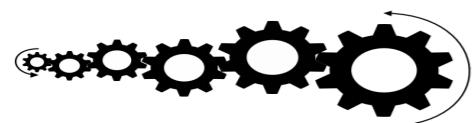
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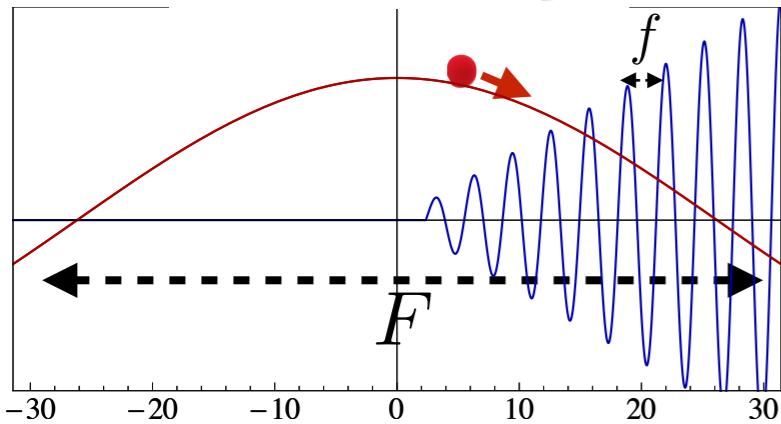
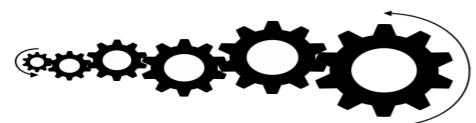
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Gupta, Komargodski, Perez, Ubaldi '15;
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Davidi, Gupta, Perez, DR, Shalit '17

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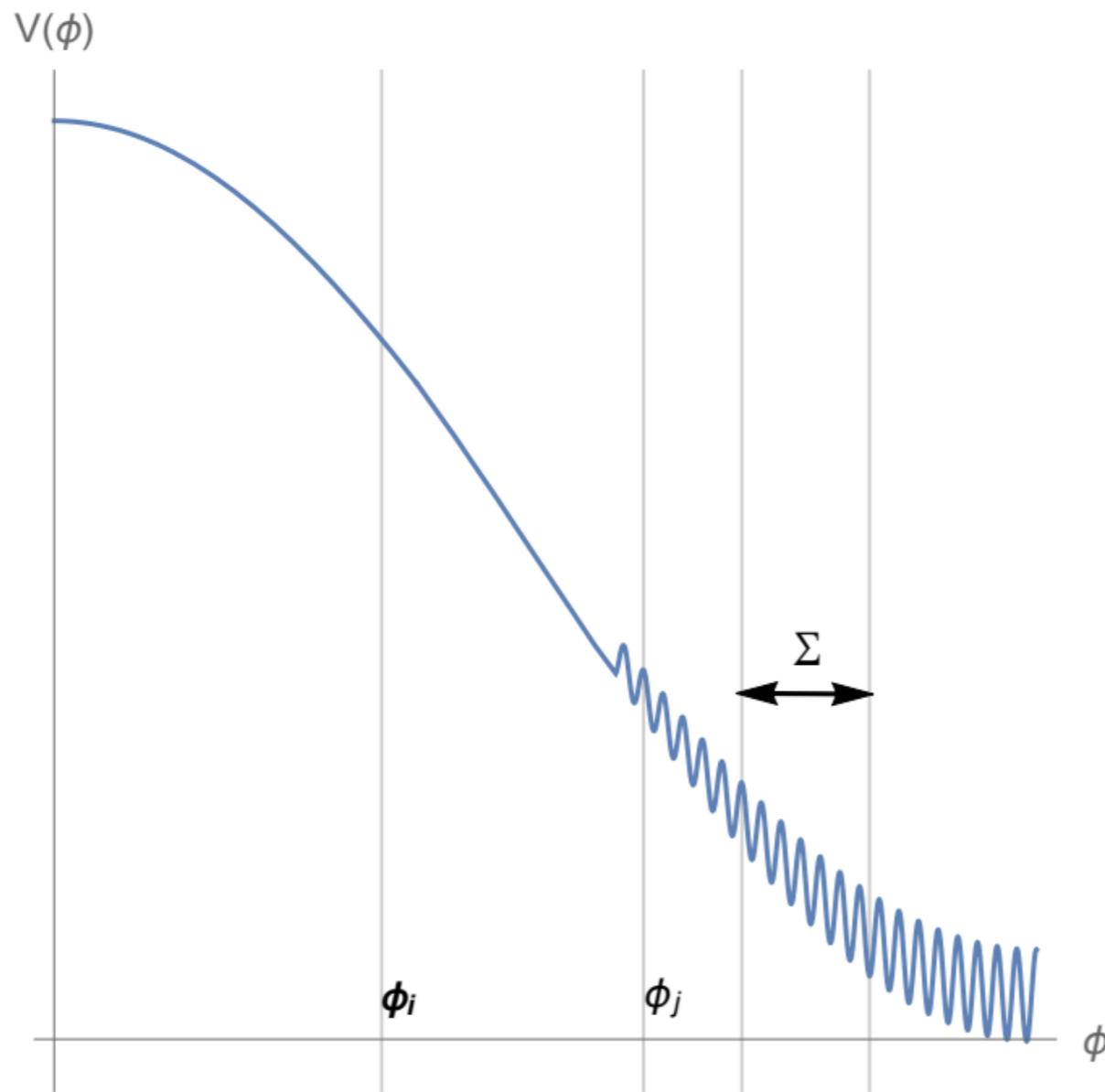
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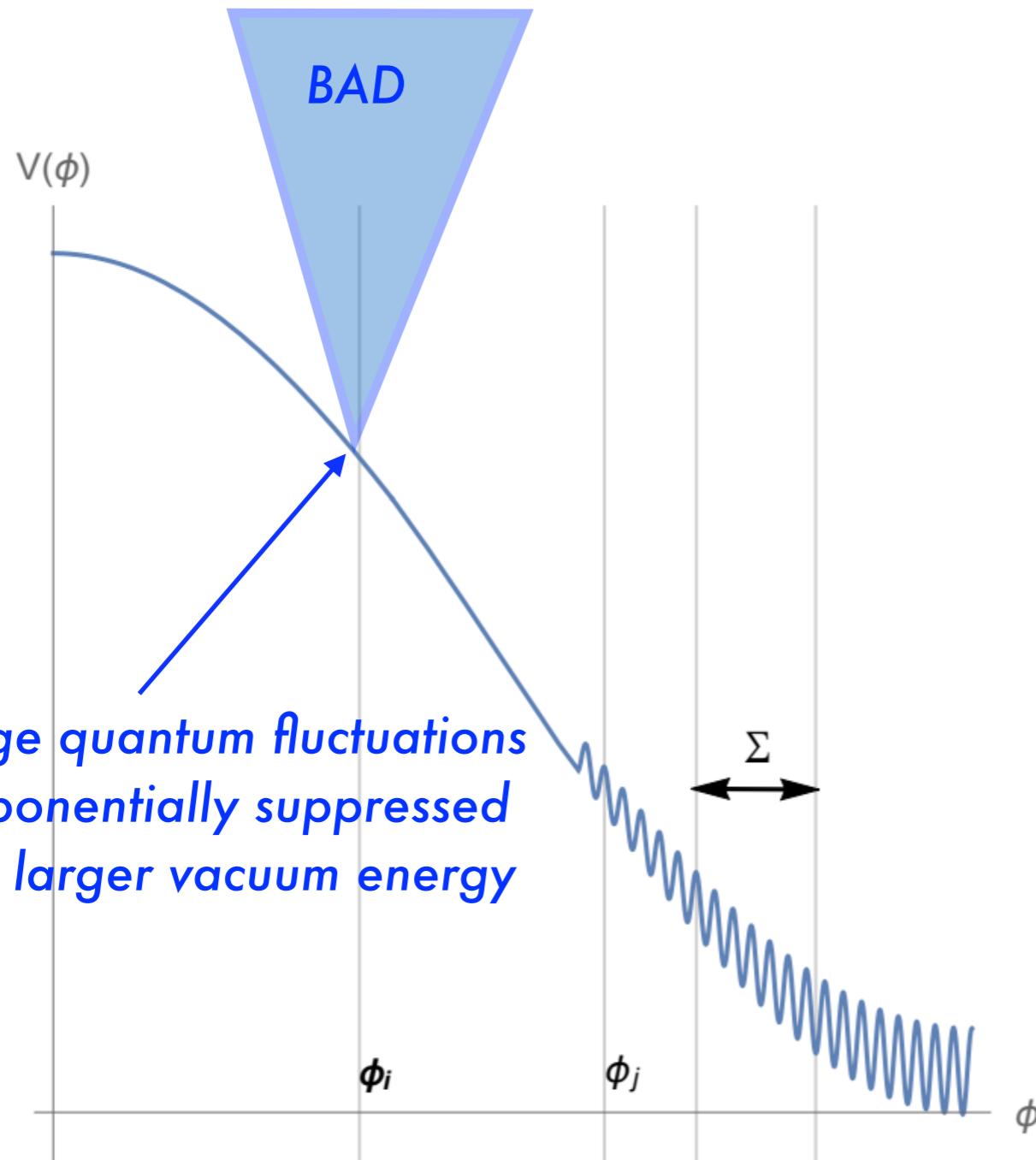
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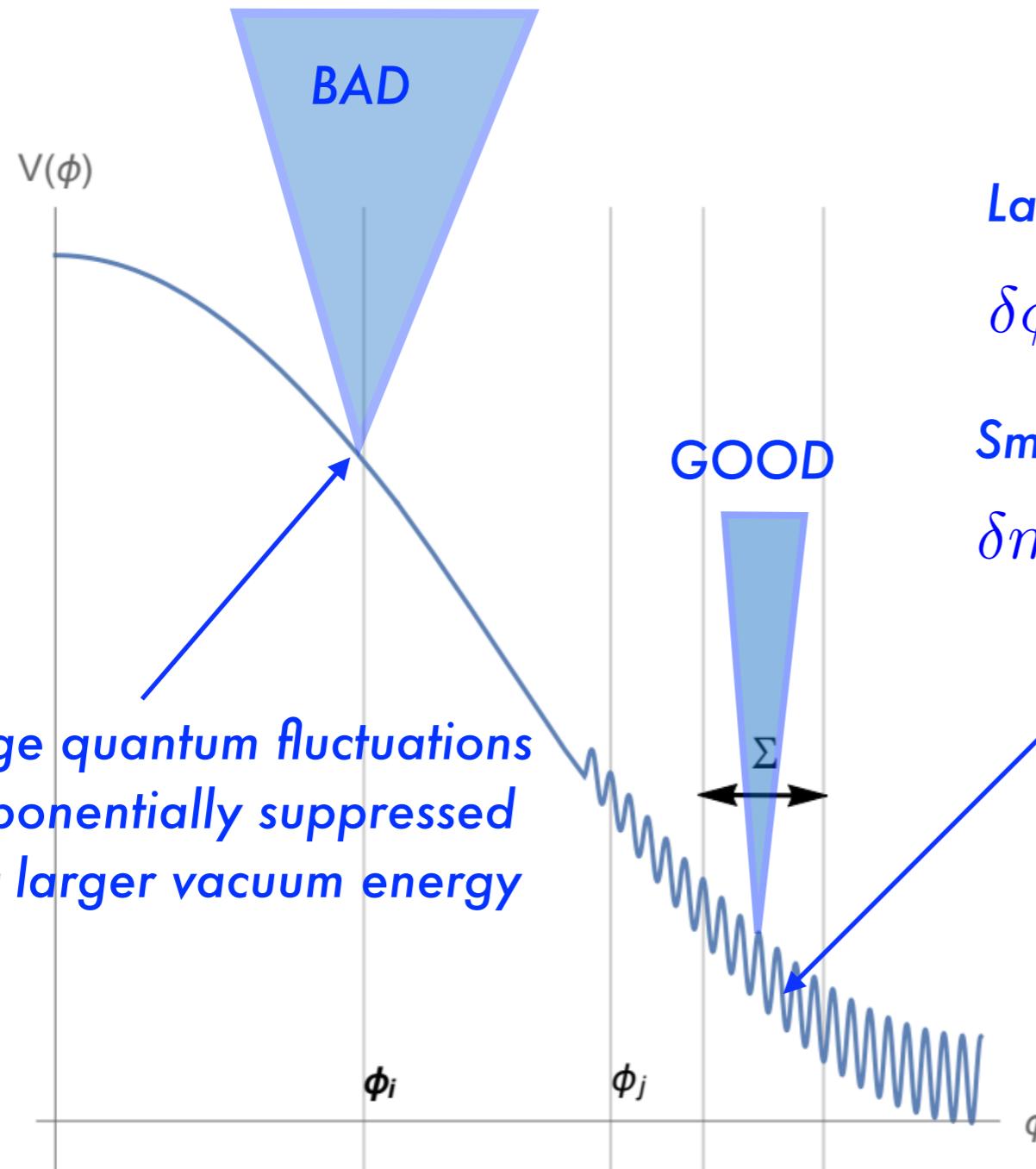
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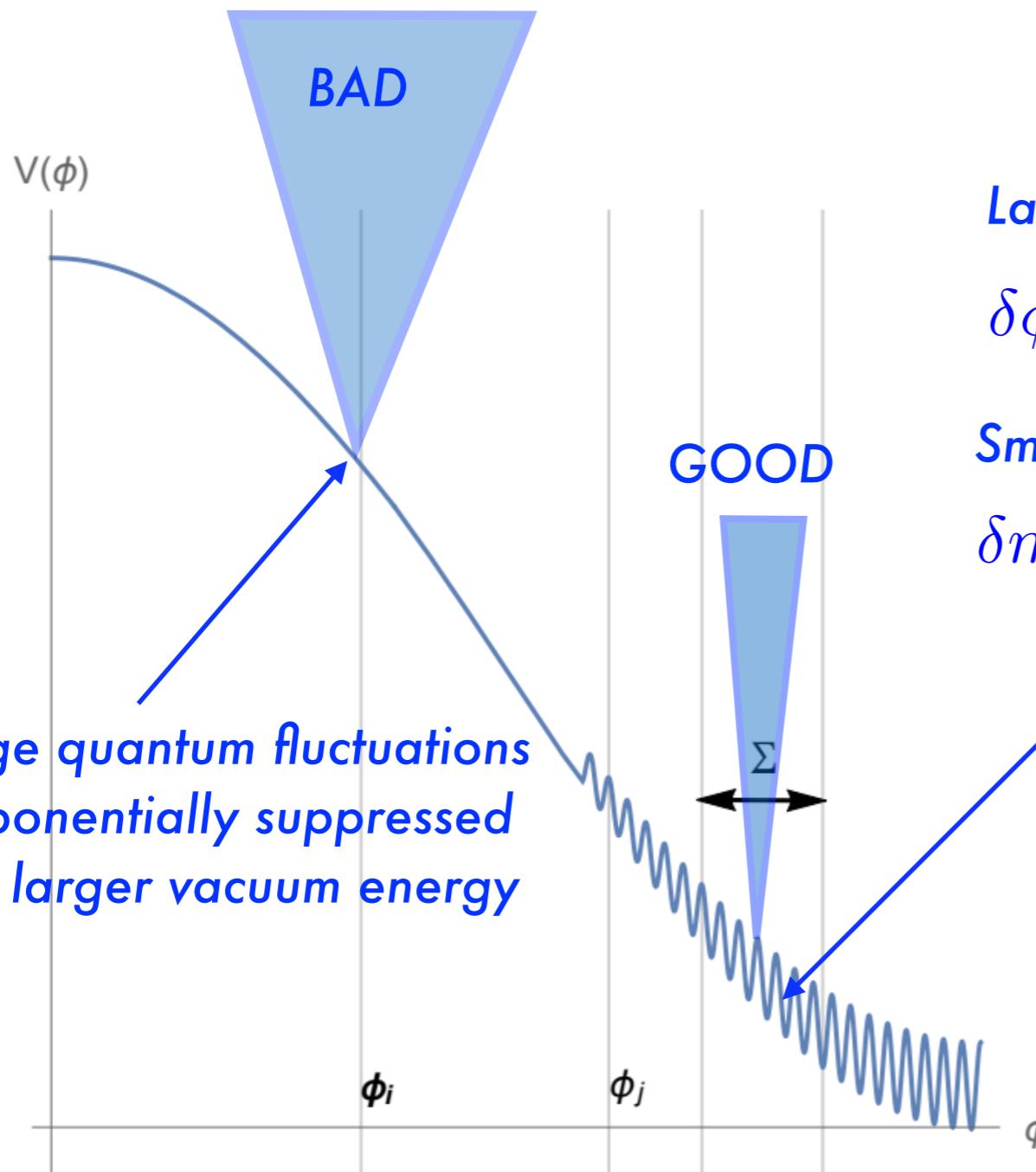
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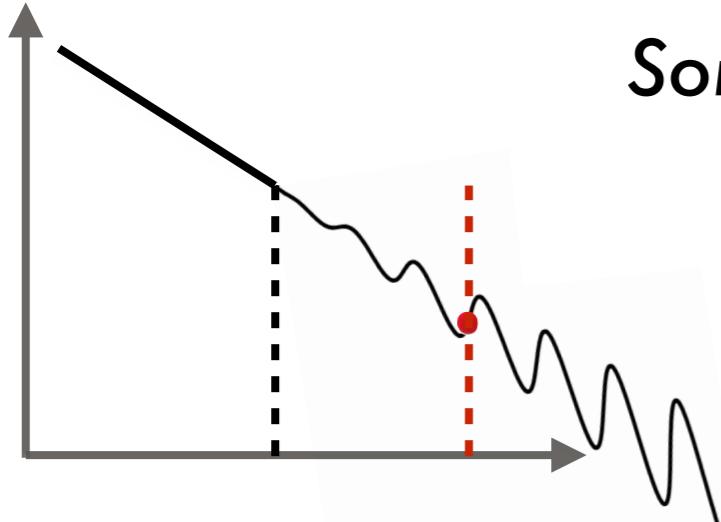
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*The fate of these large quantum fluctuations
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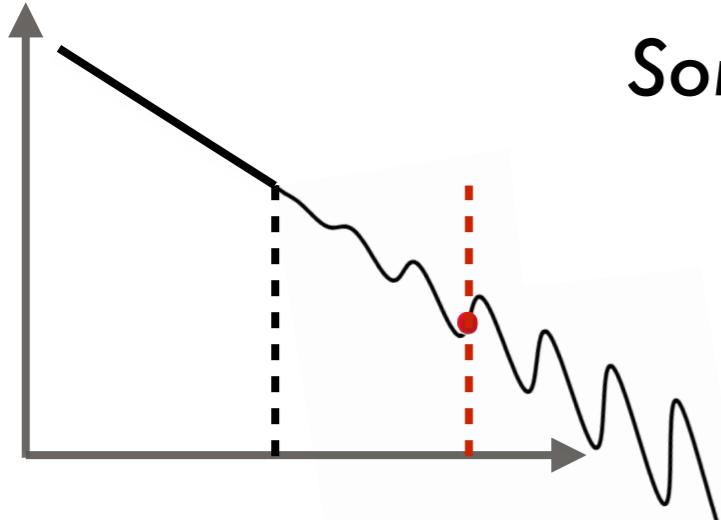


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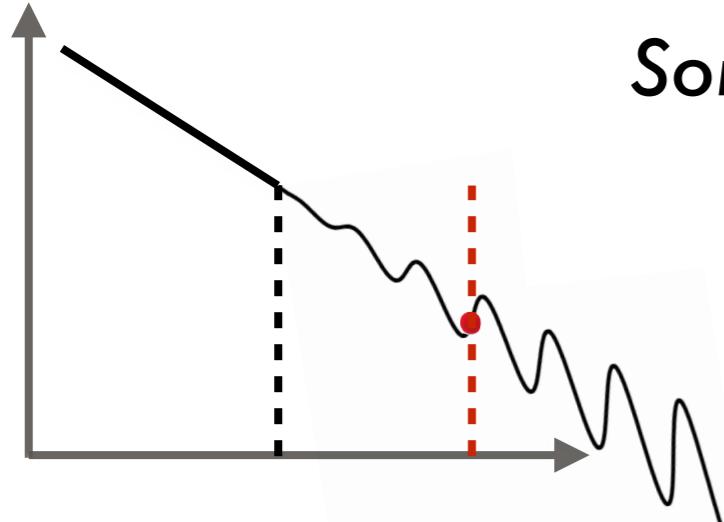


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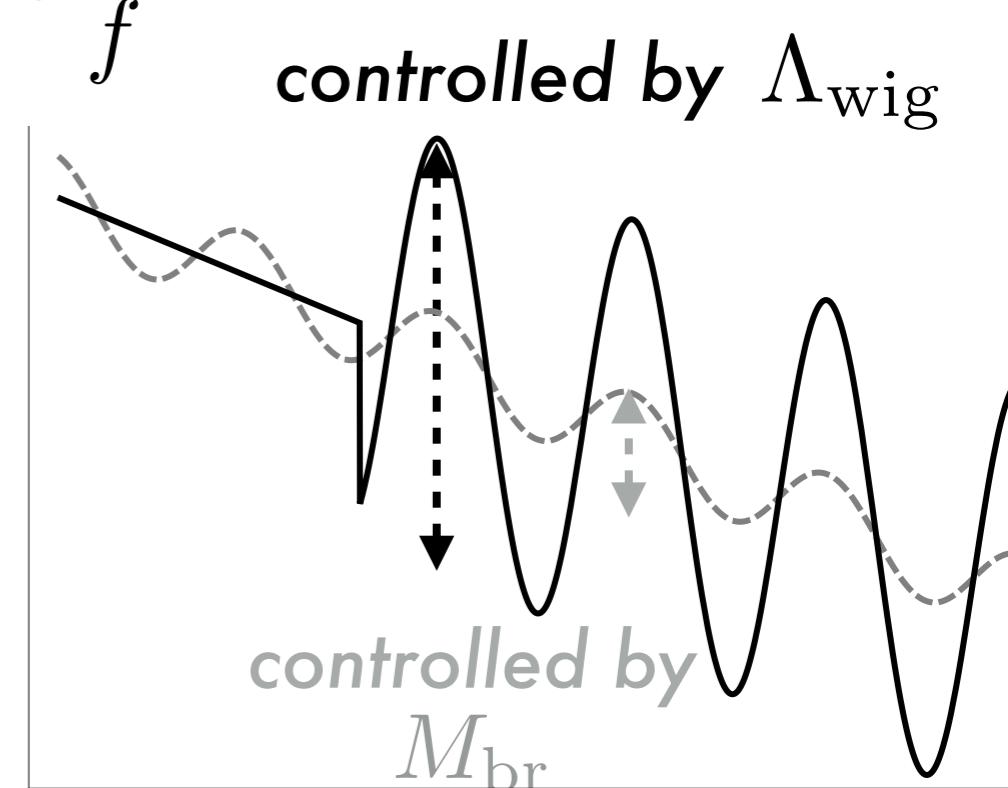
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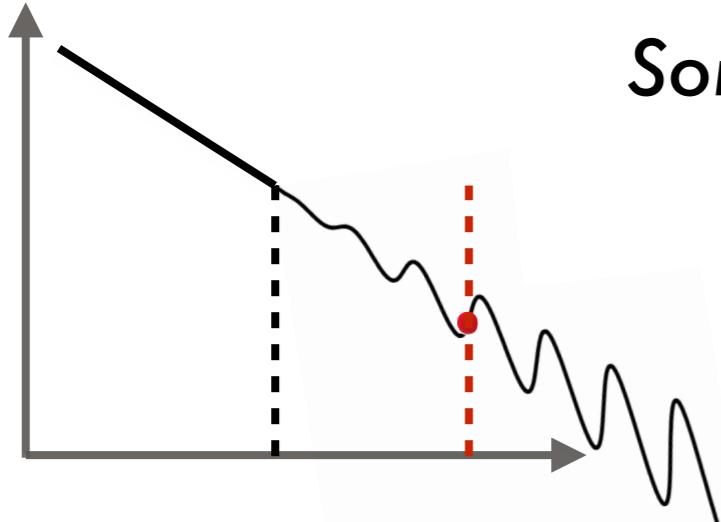
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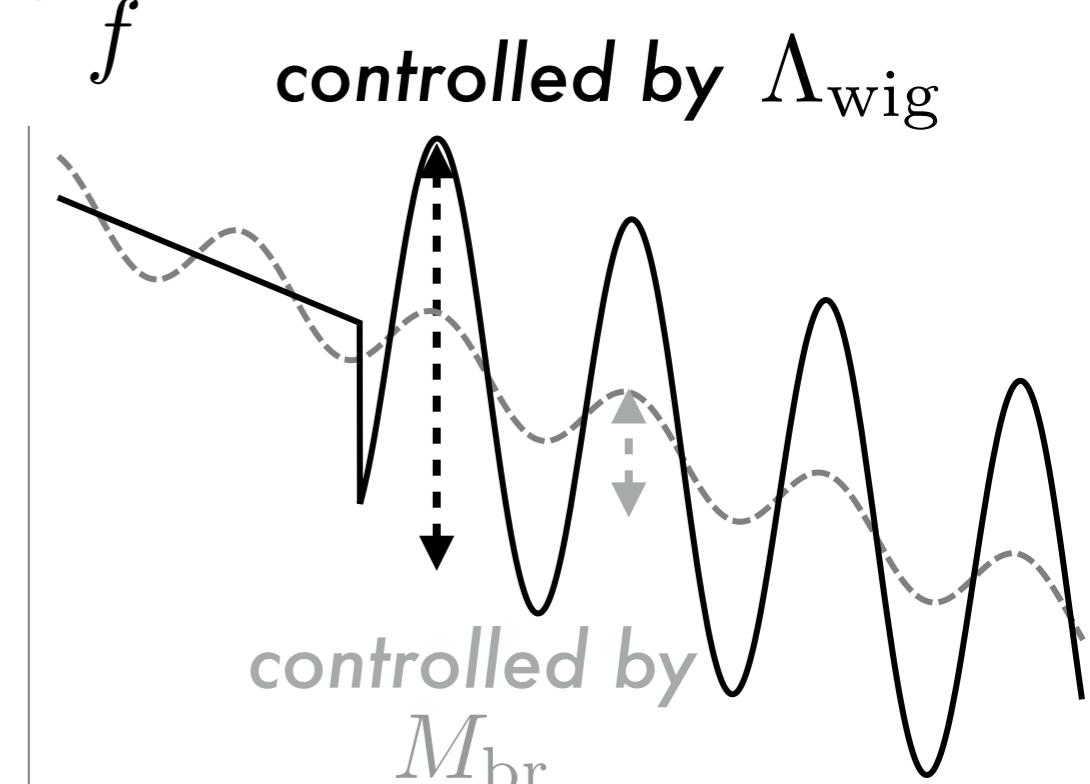
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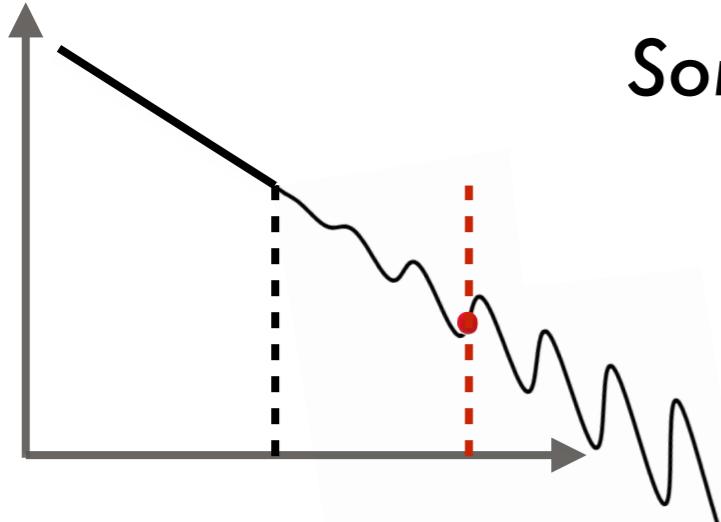
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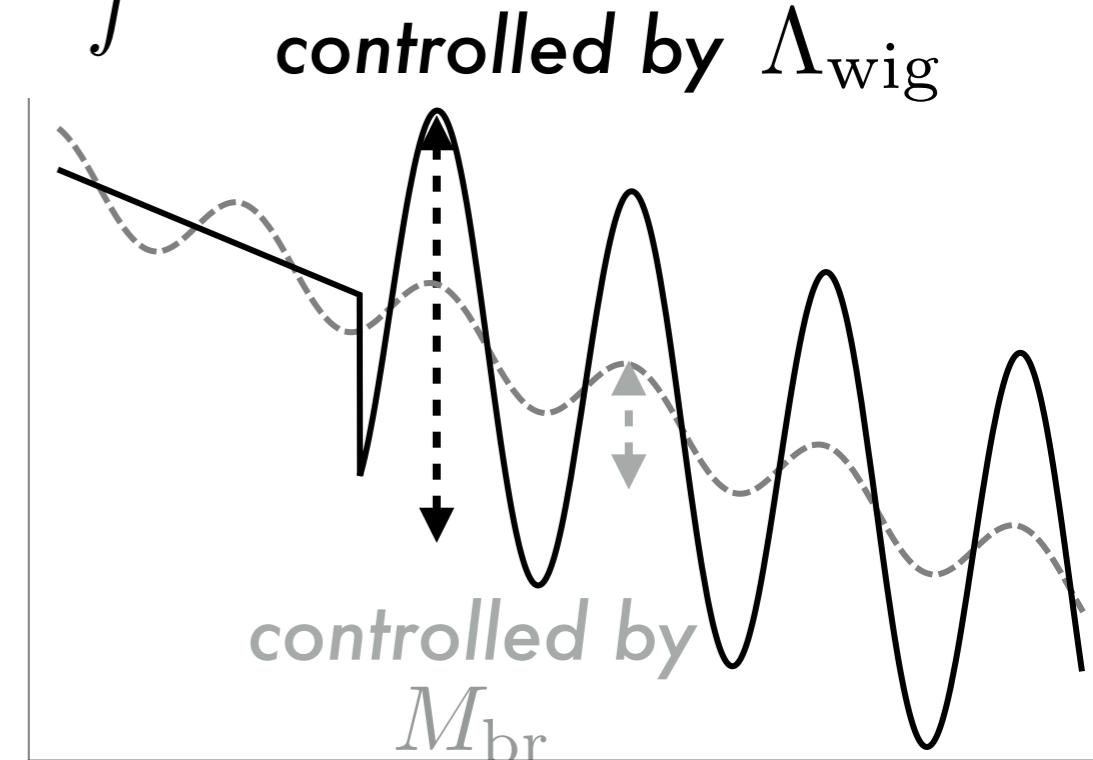
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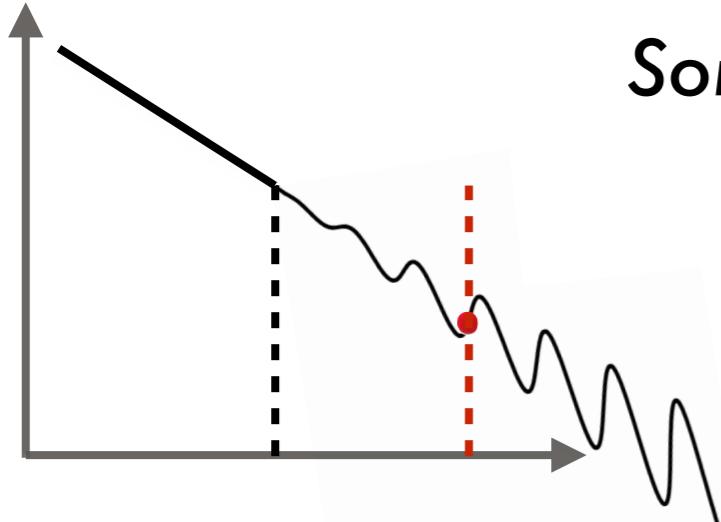
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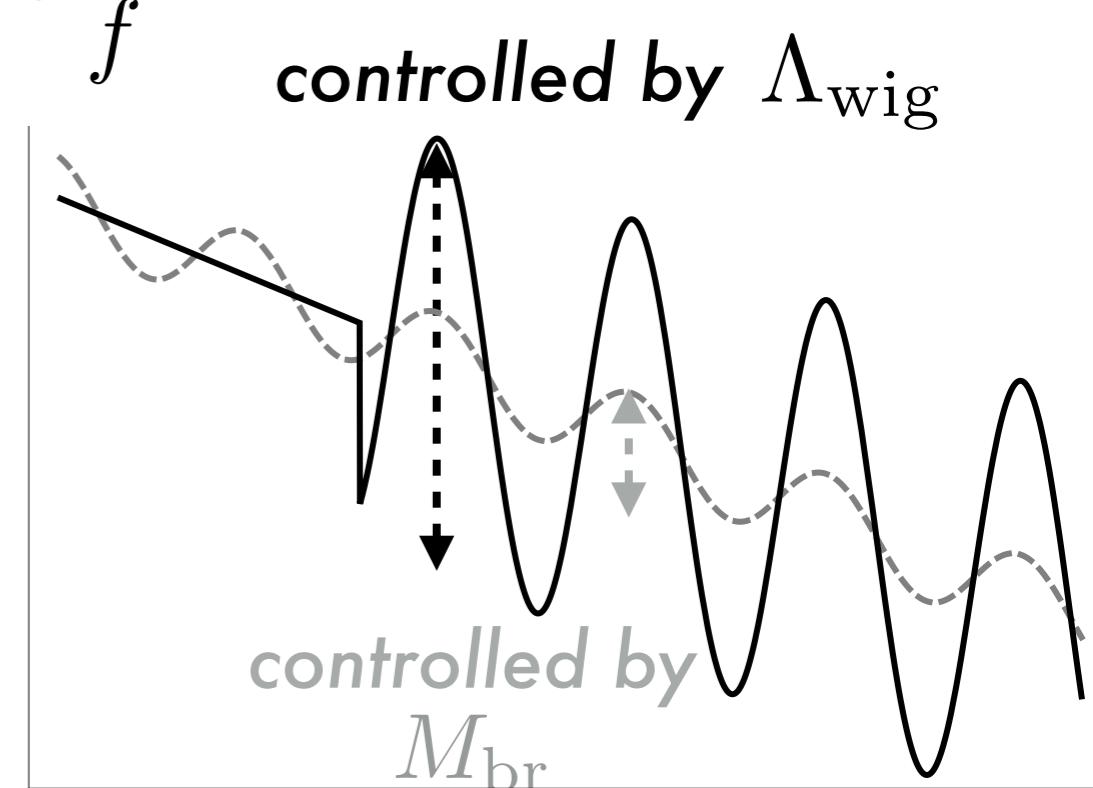
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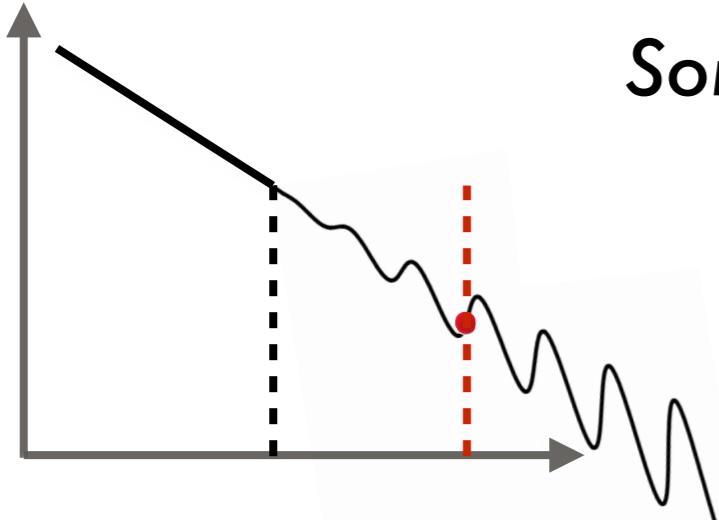
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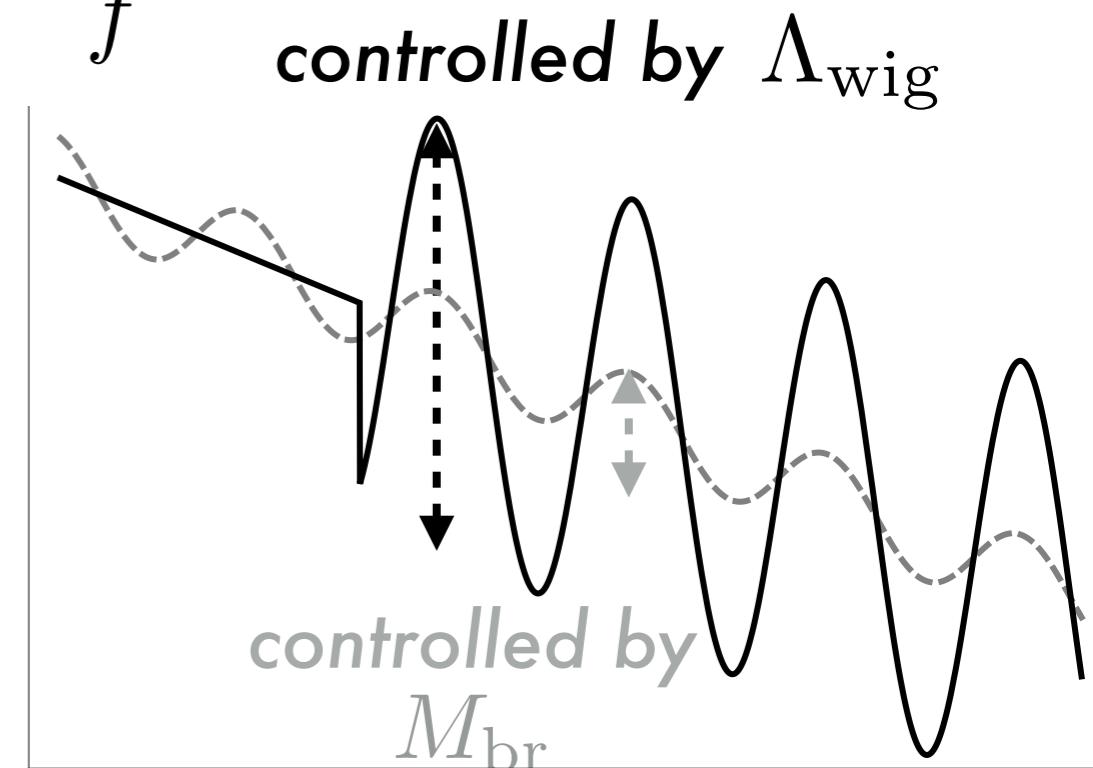
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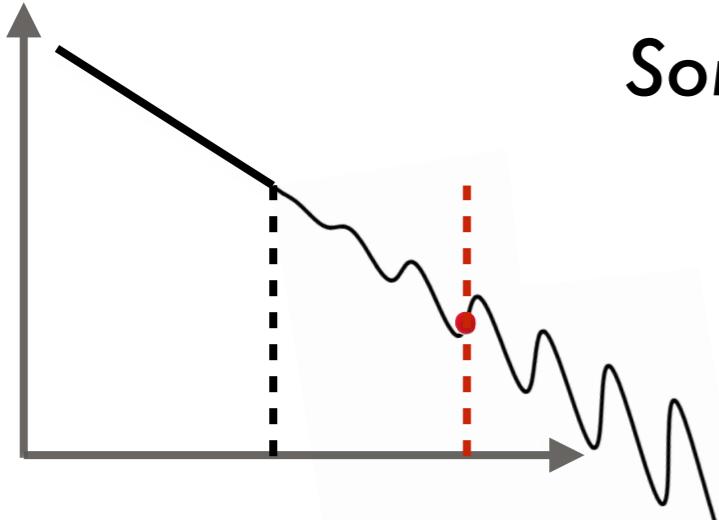
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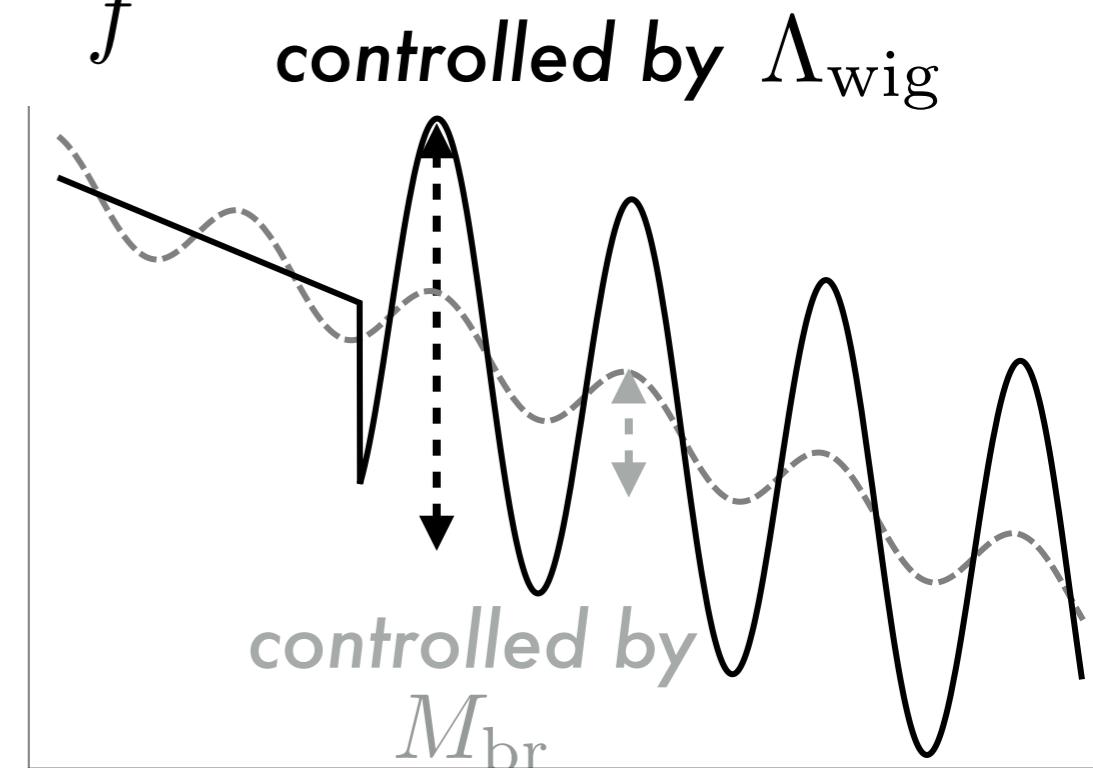
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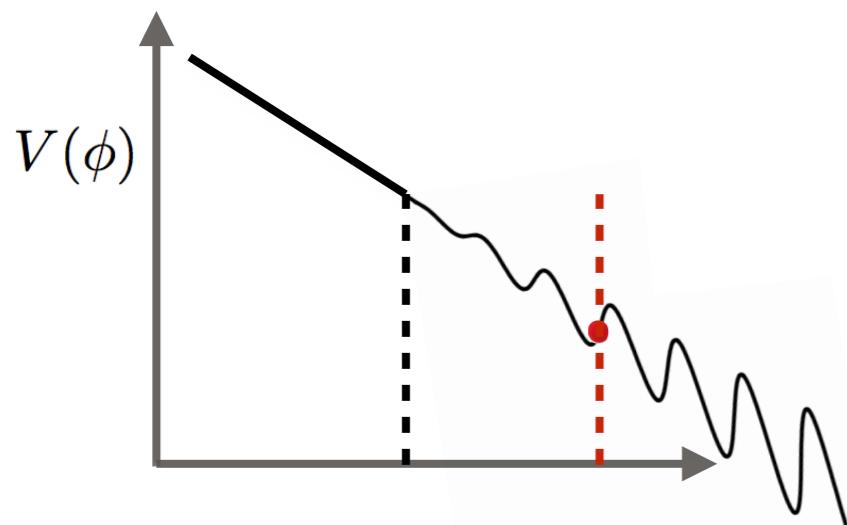
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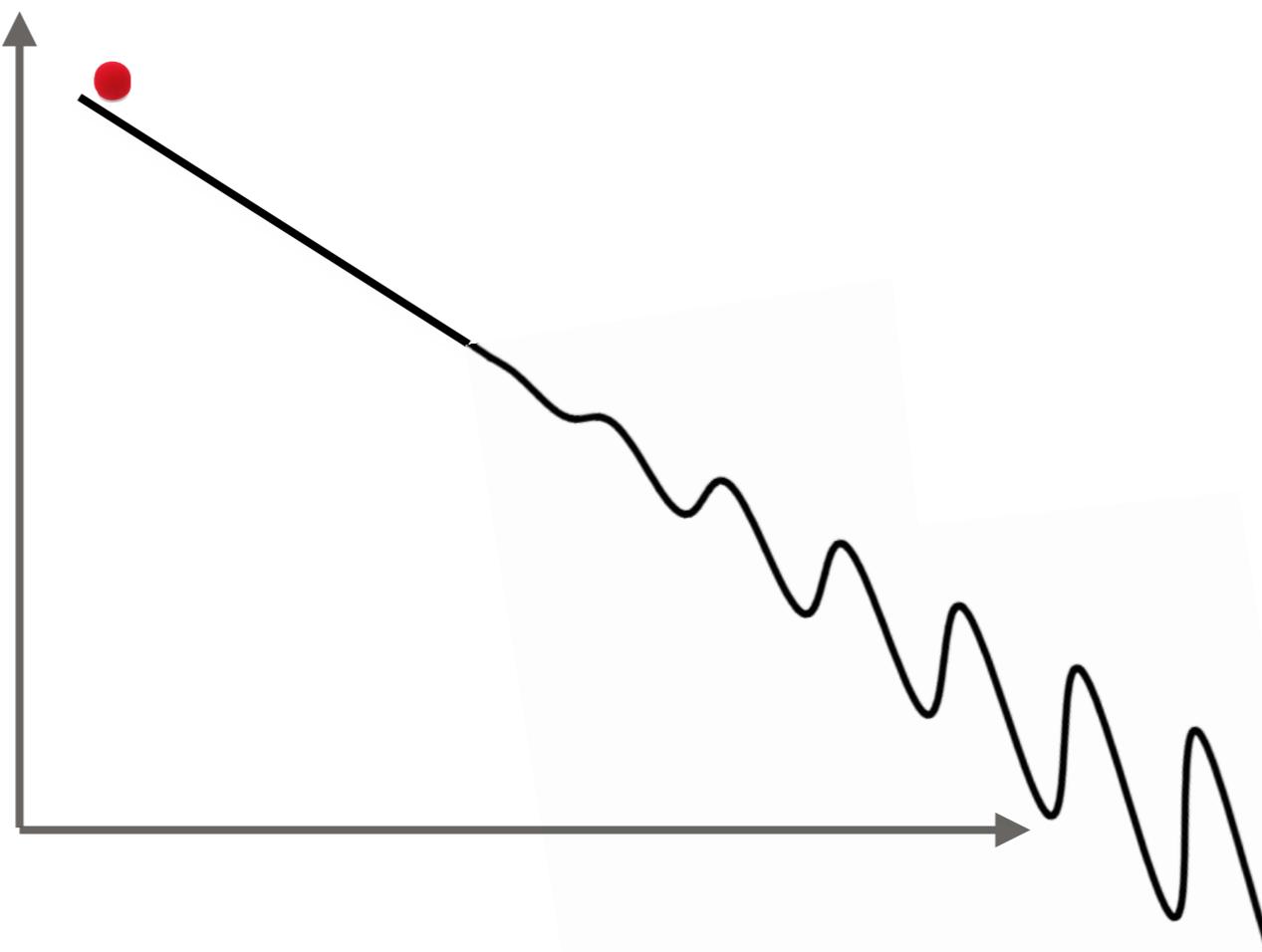
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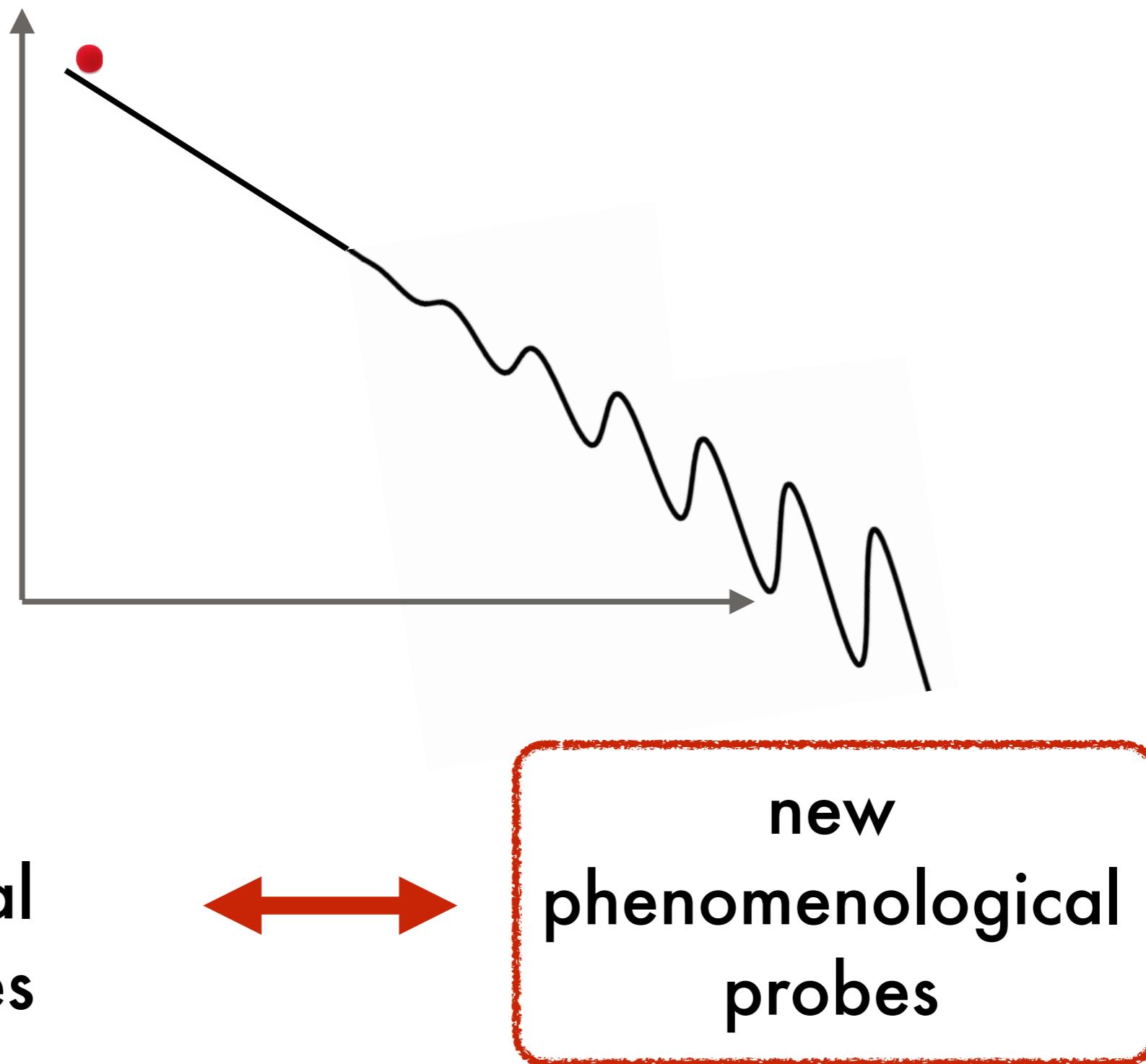


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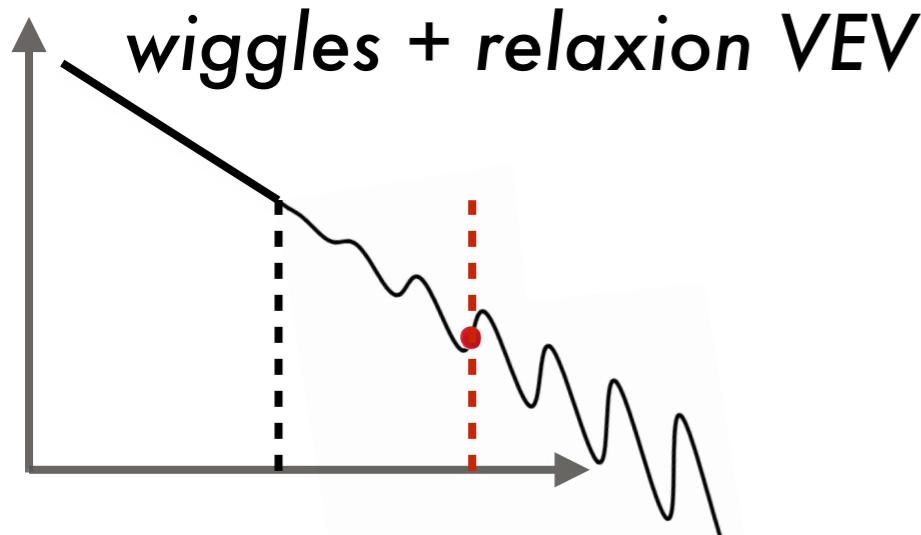
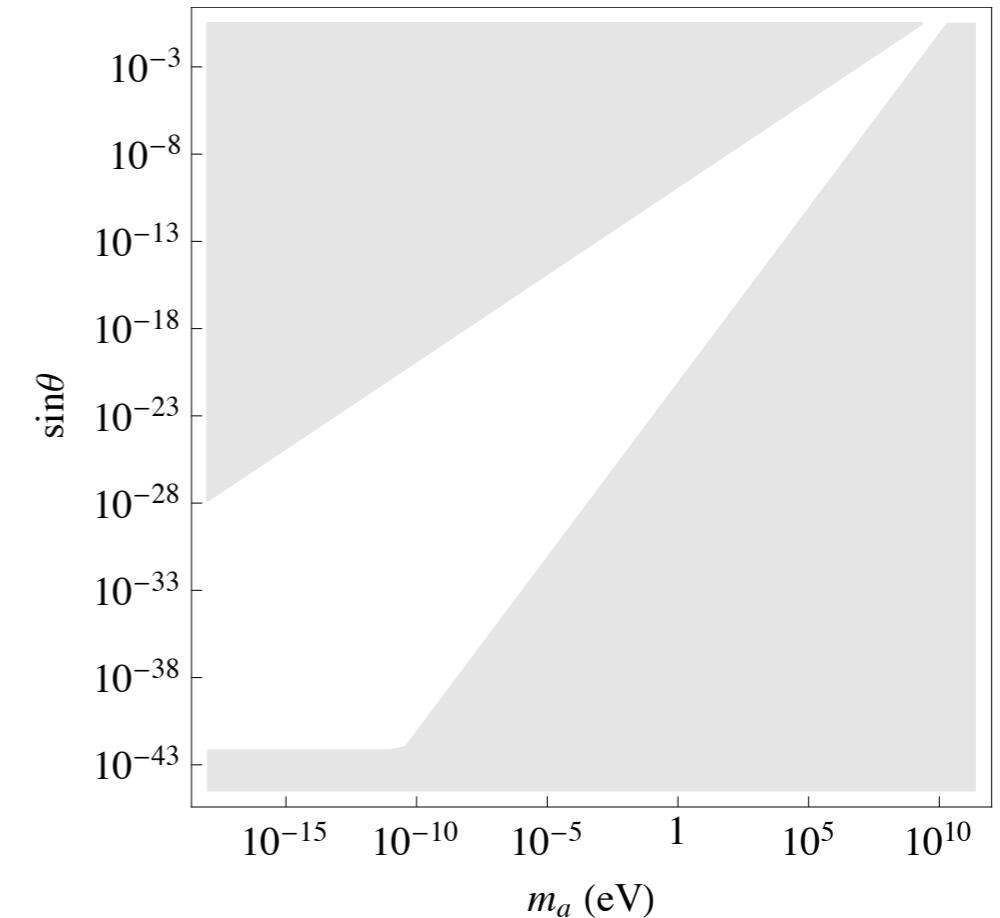
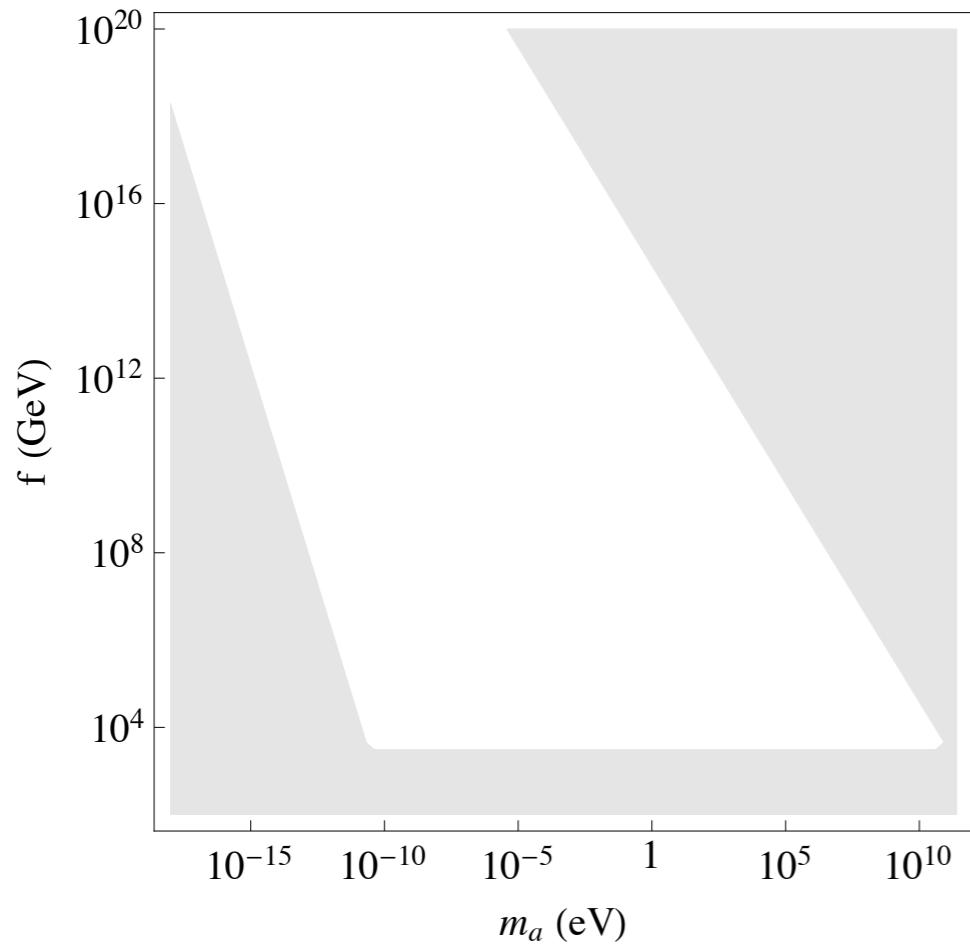
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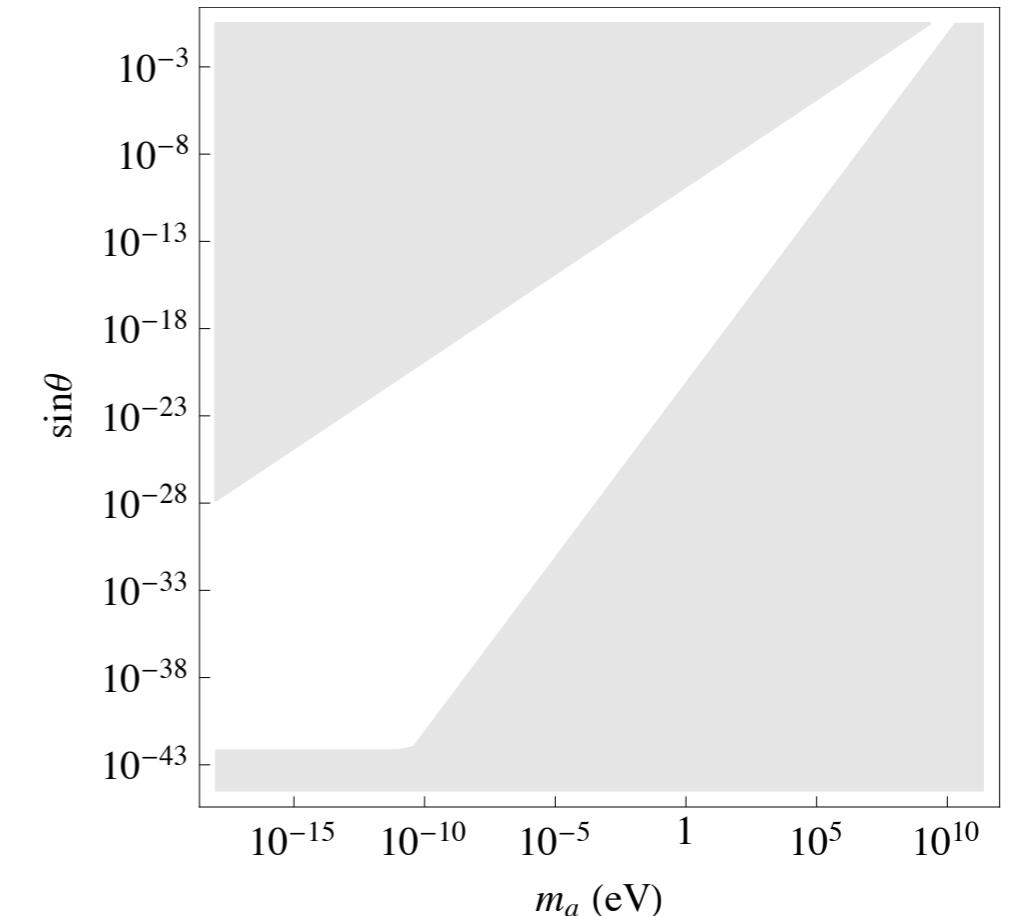
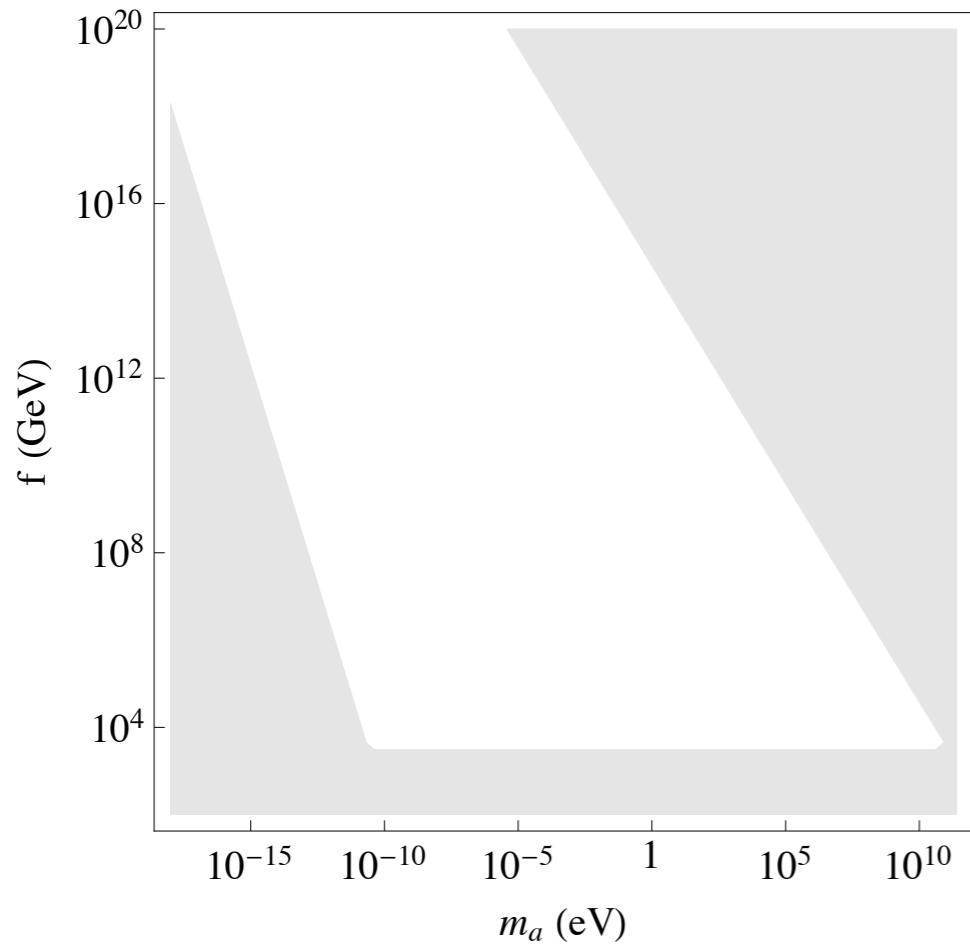
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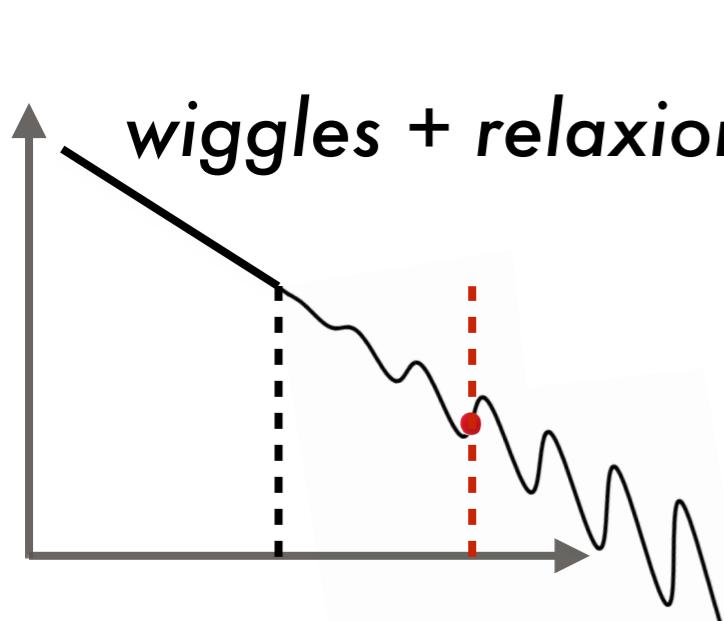
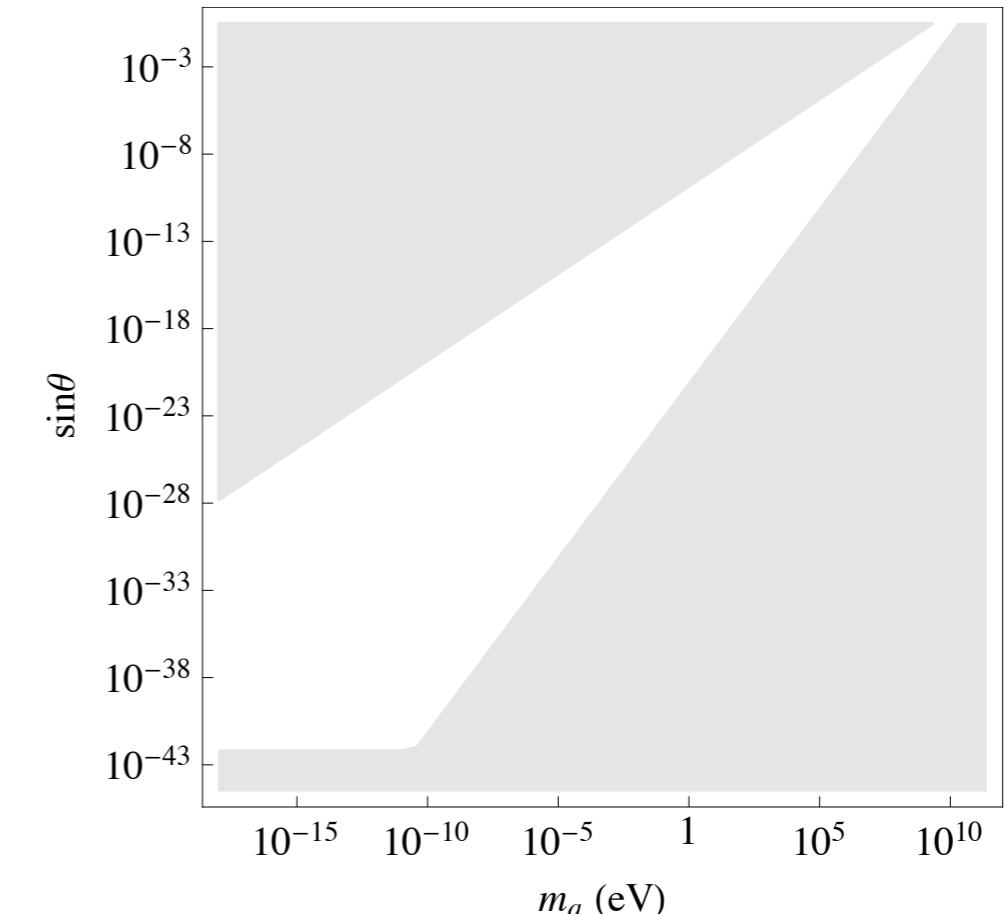
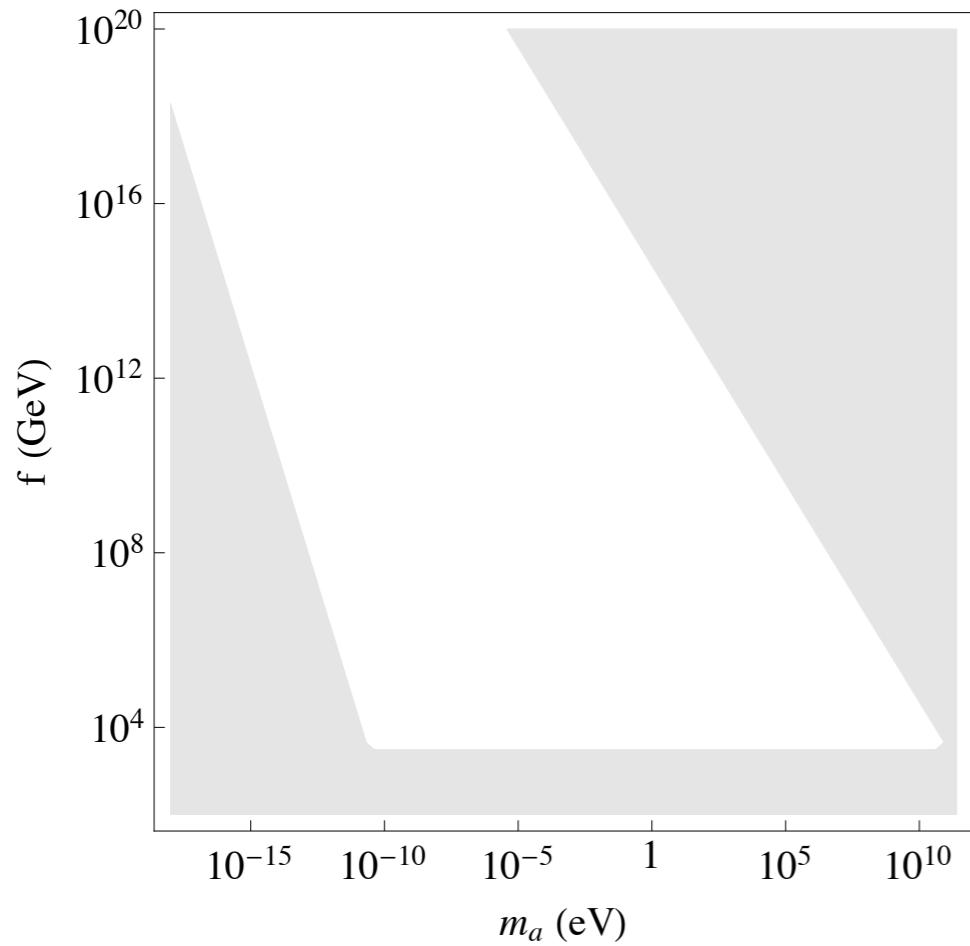
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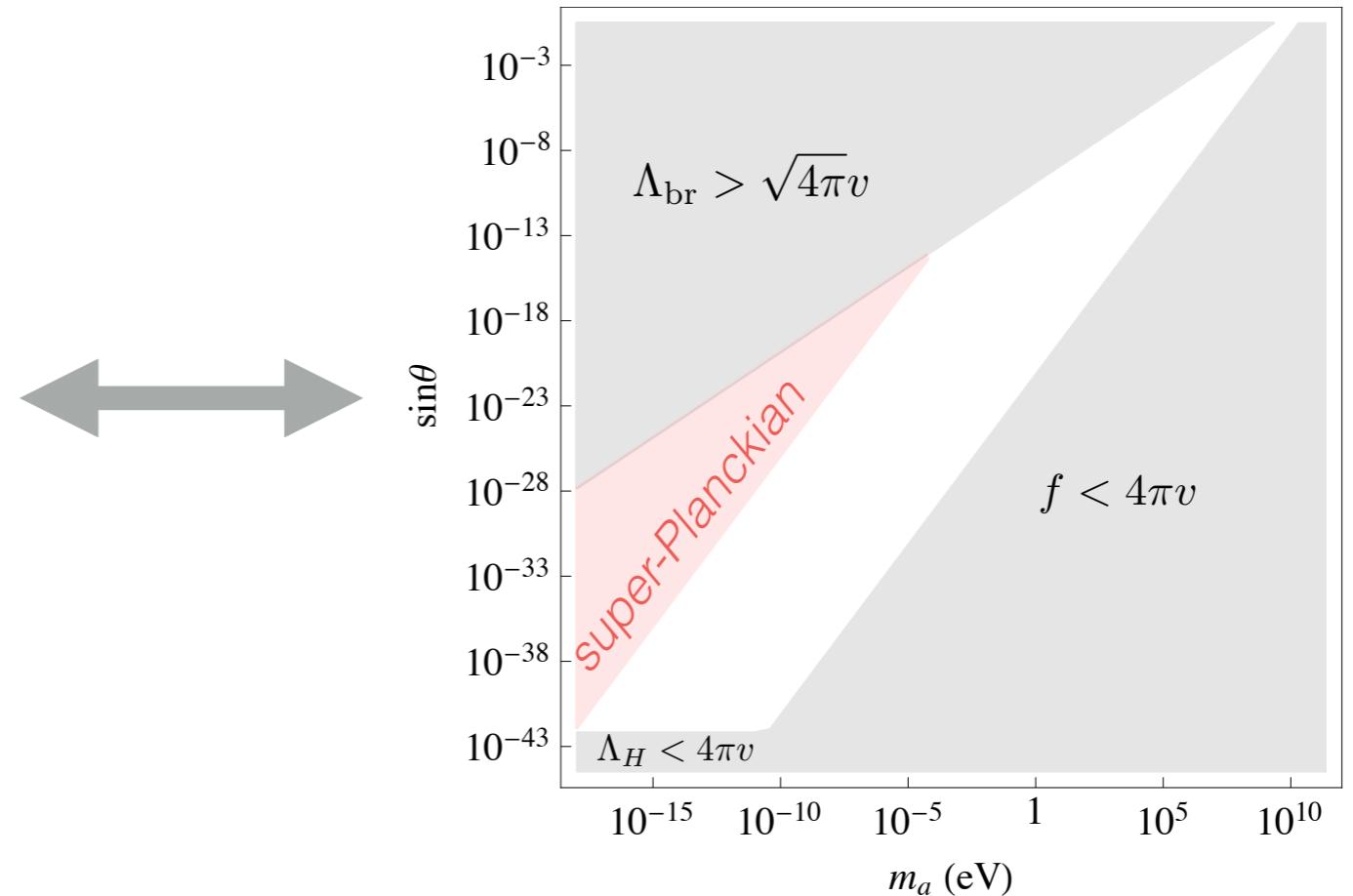
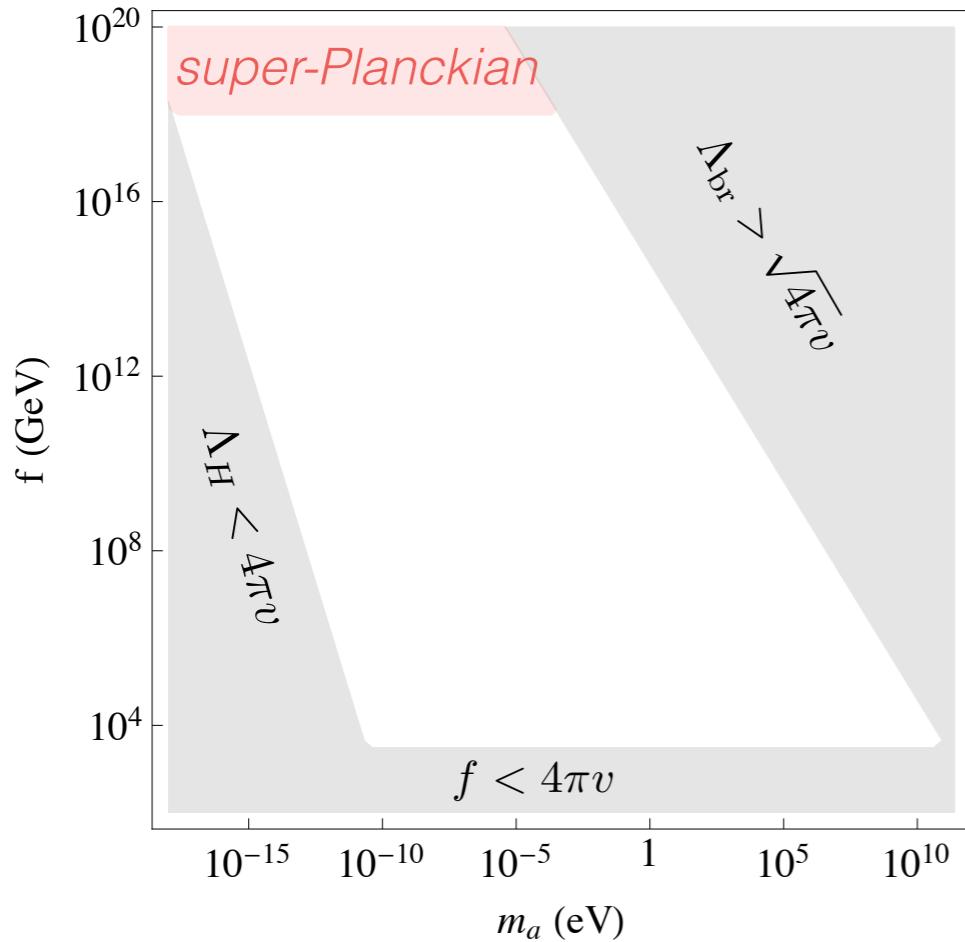
Choi and Im '17

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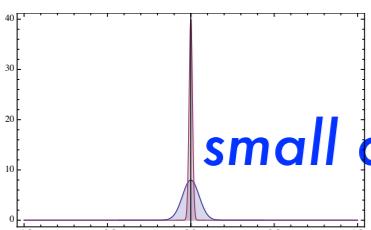
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The relaxion parameter space

Model-independent boundaries



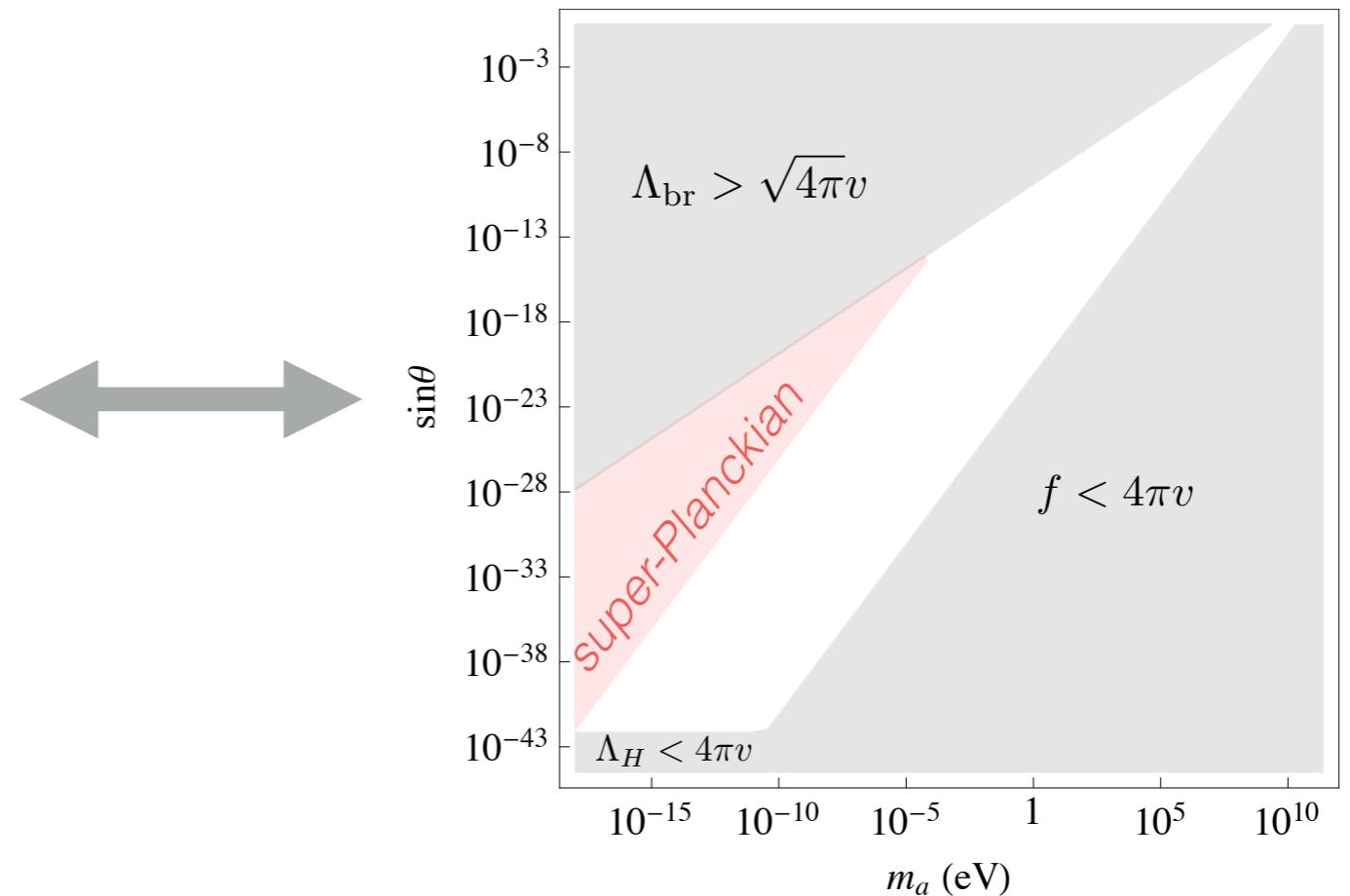
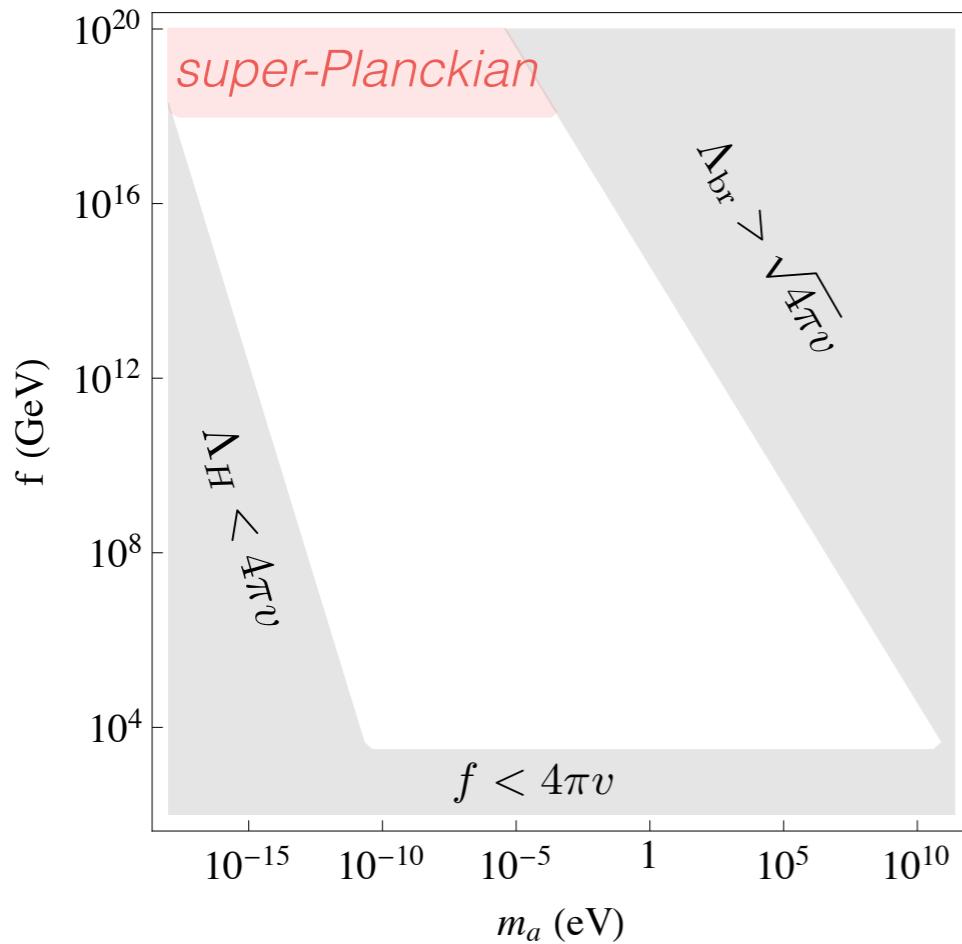
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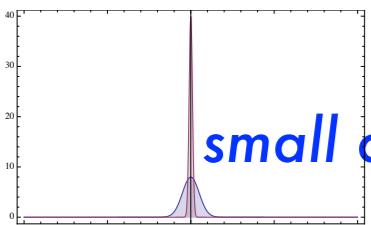
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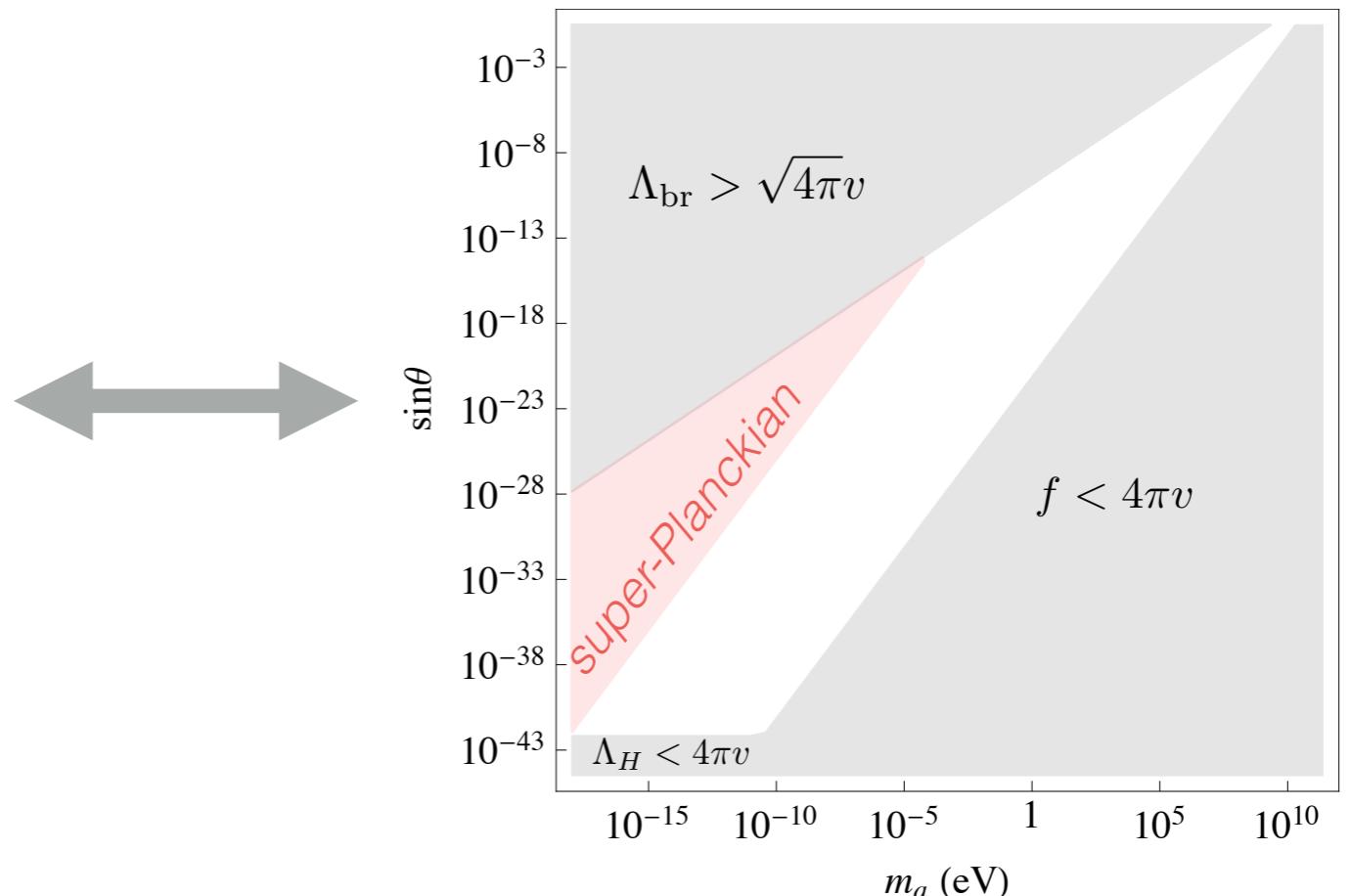
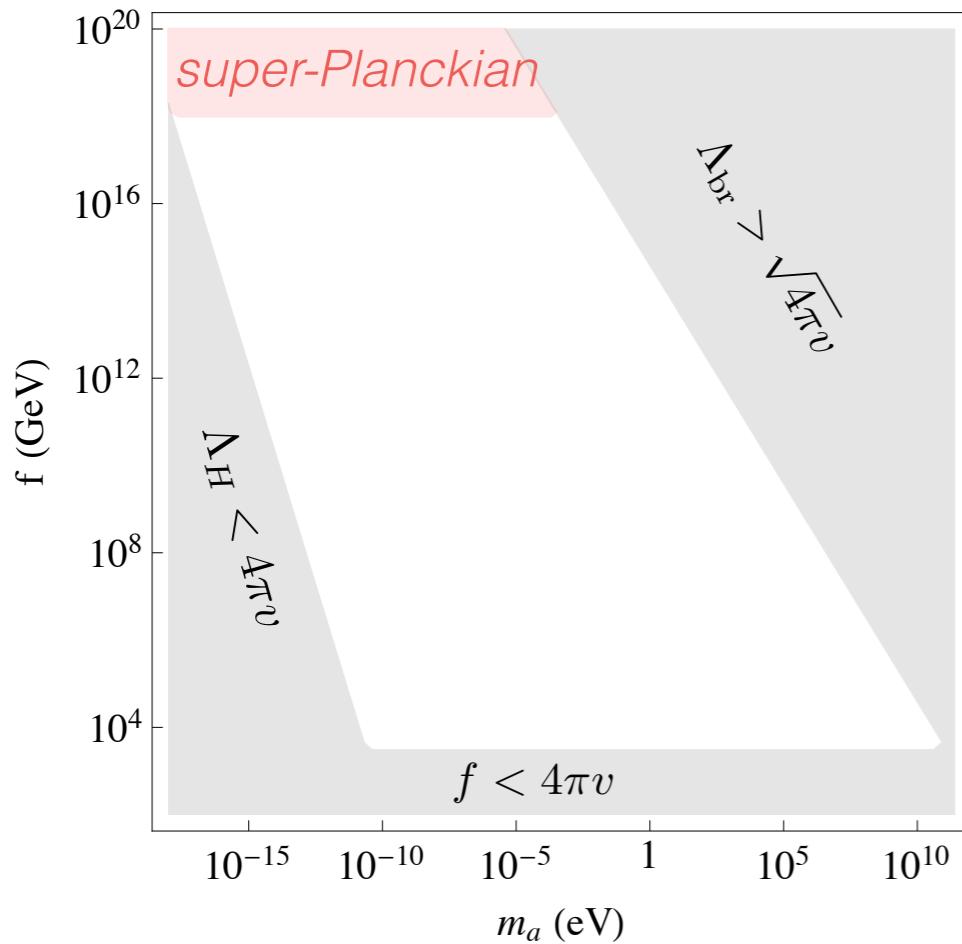


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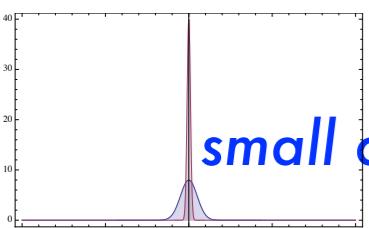
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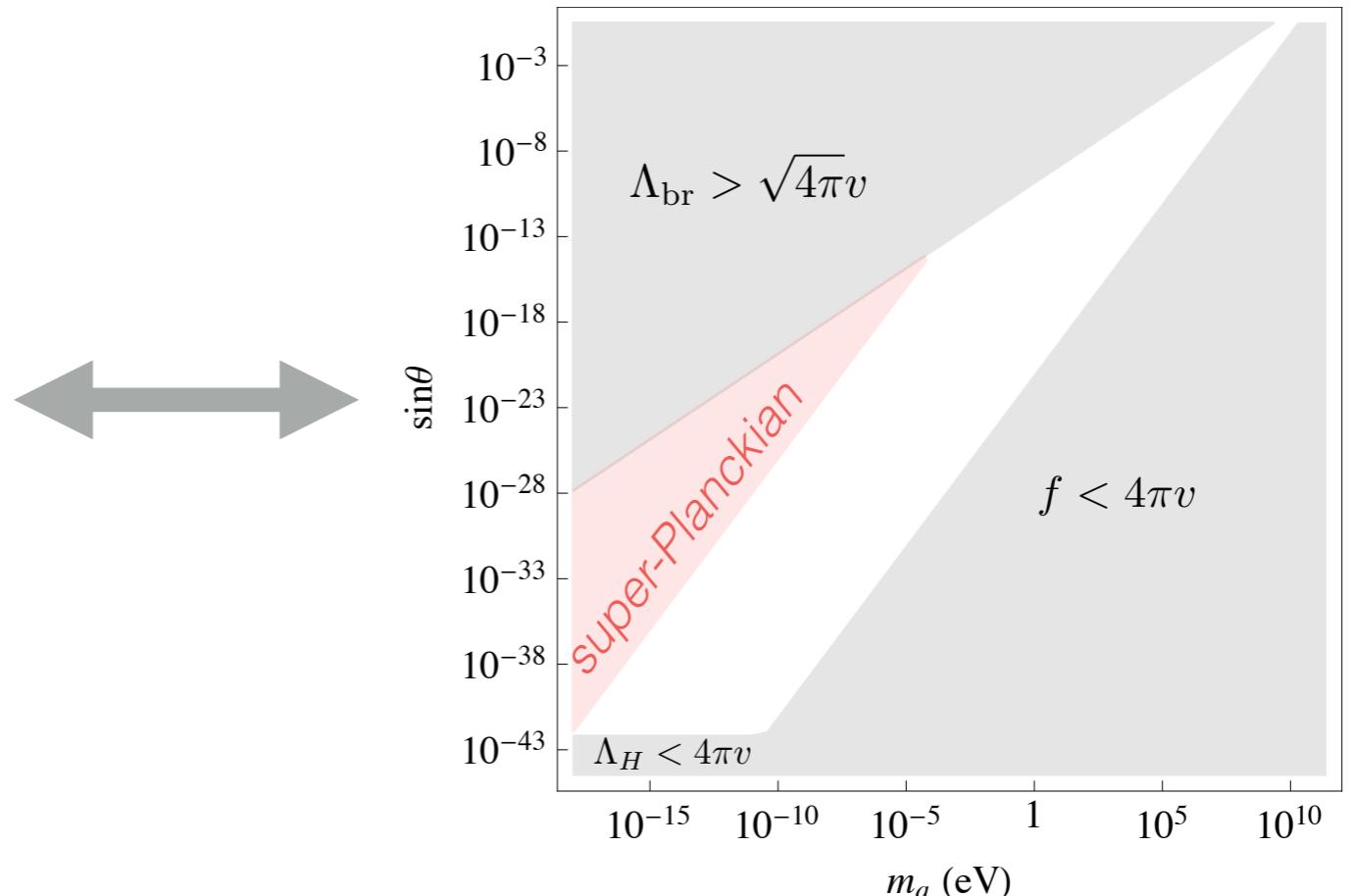
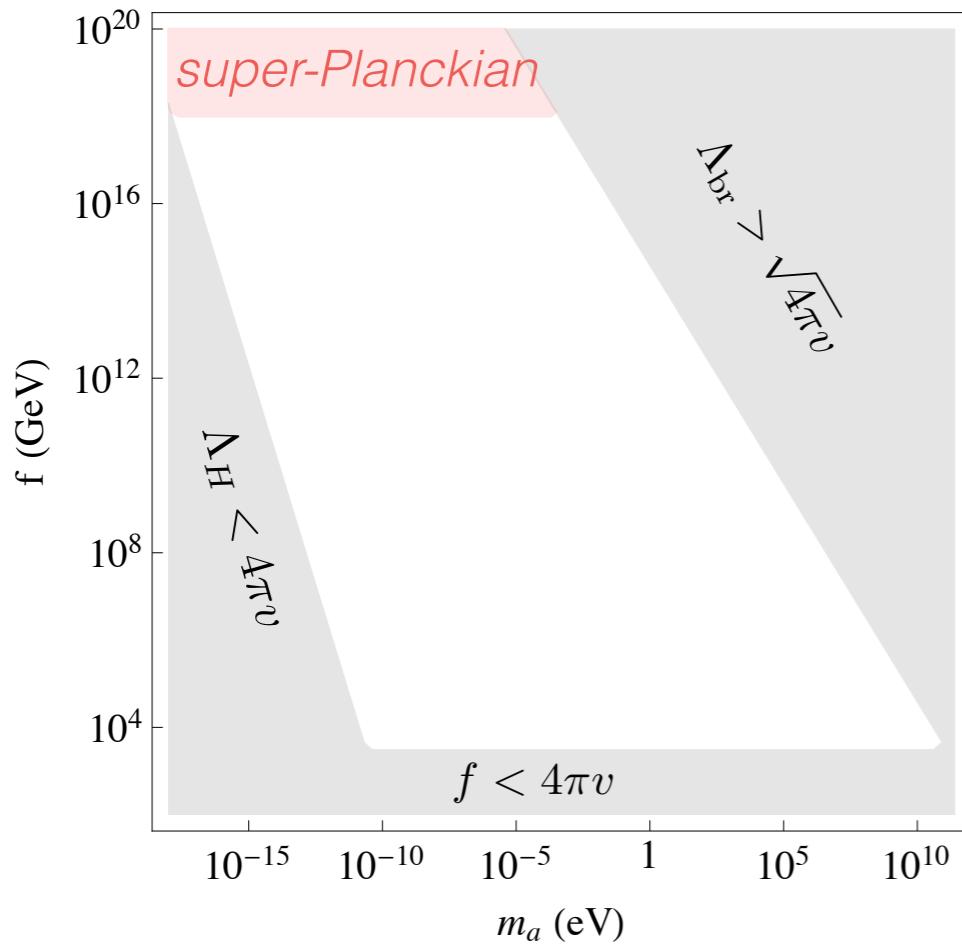
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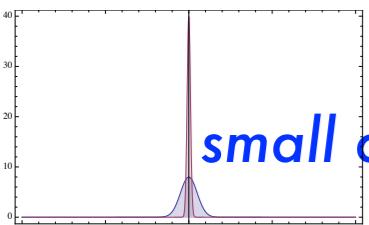
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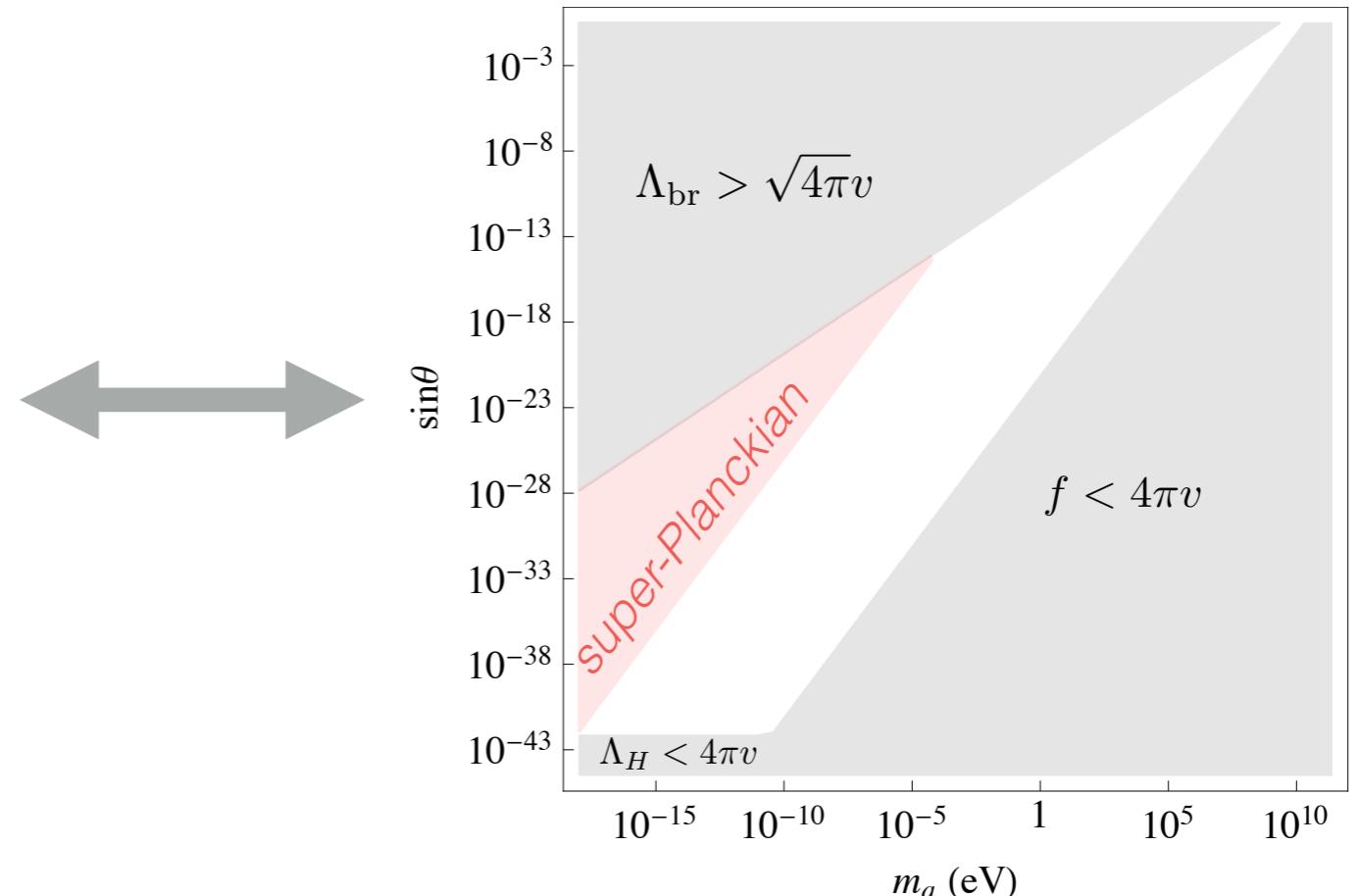
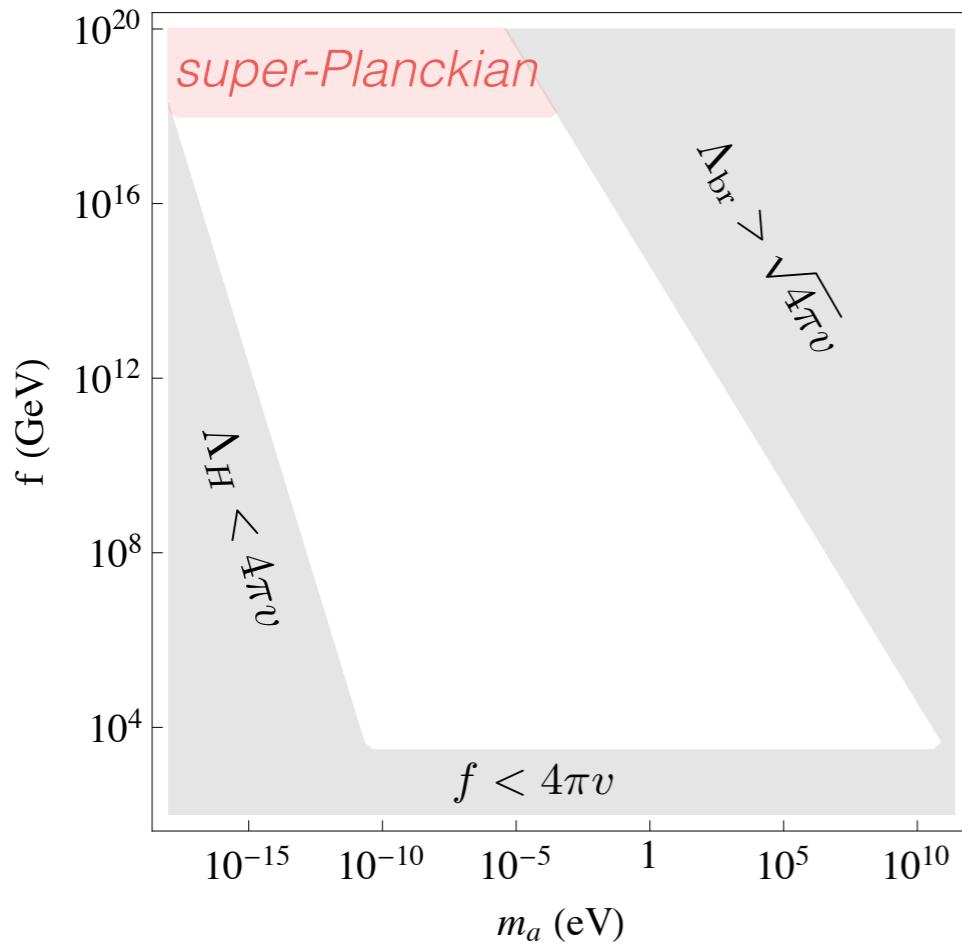
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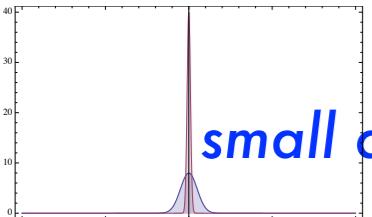
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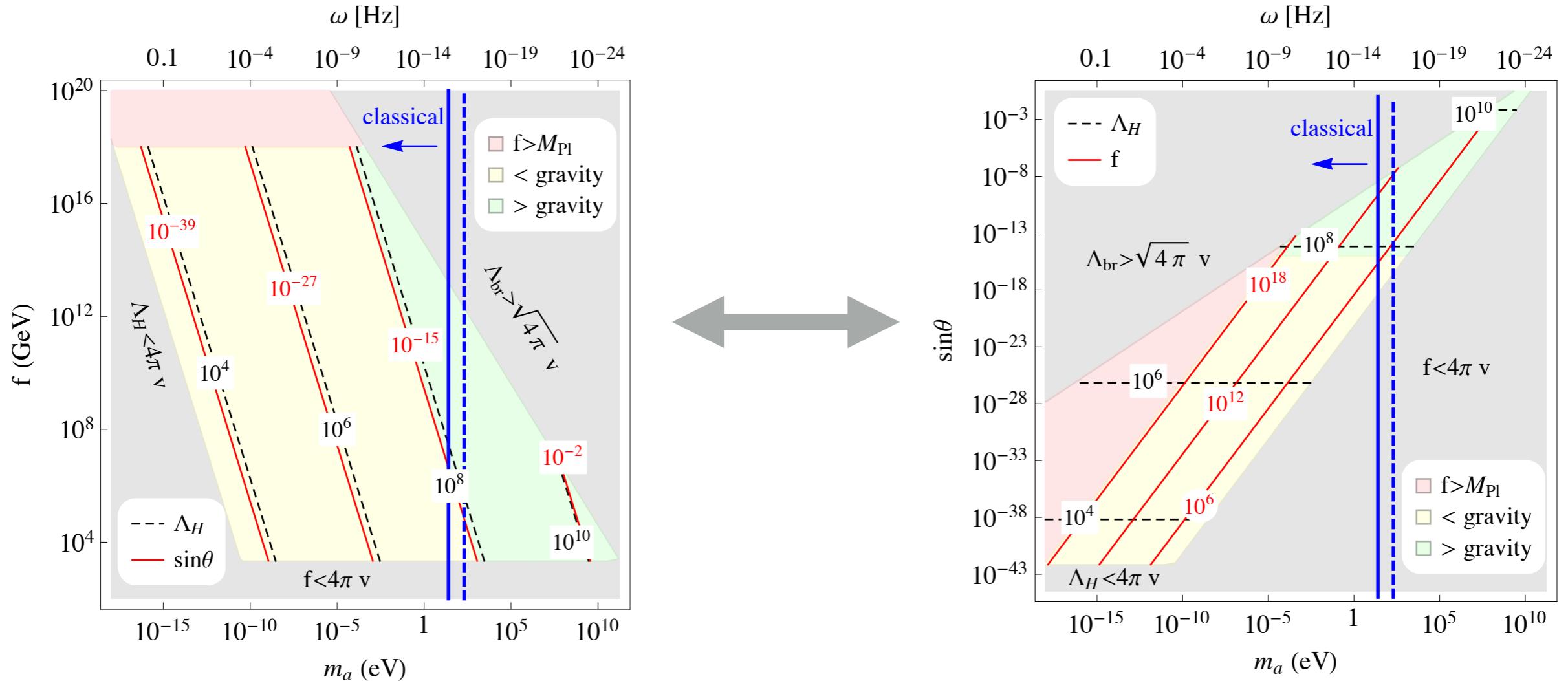
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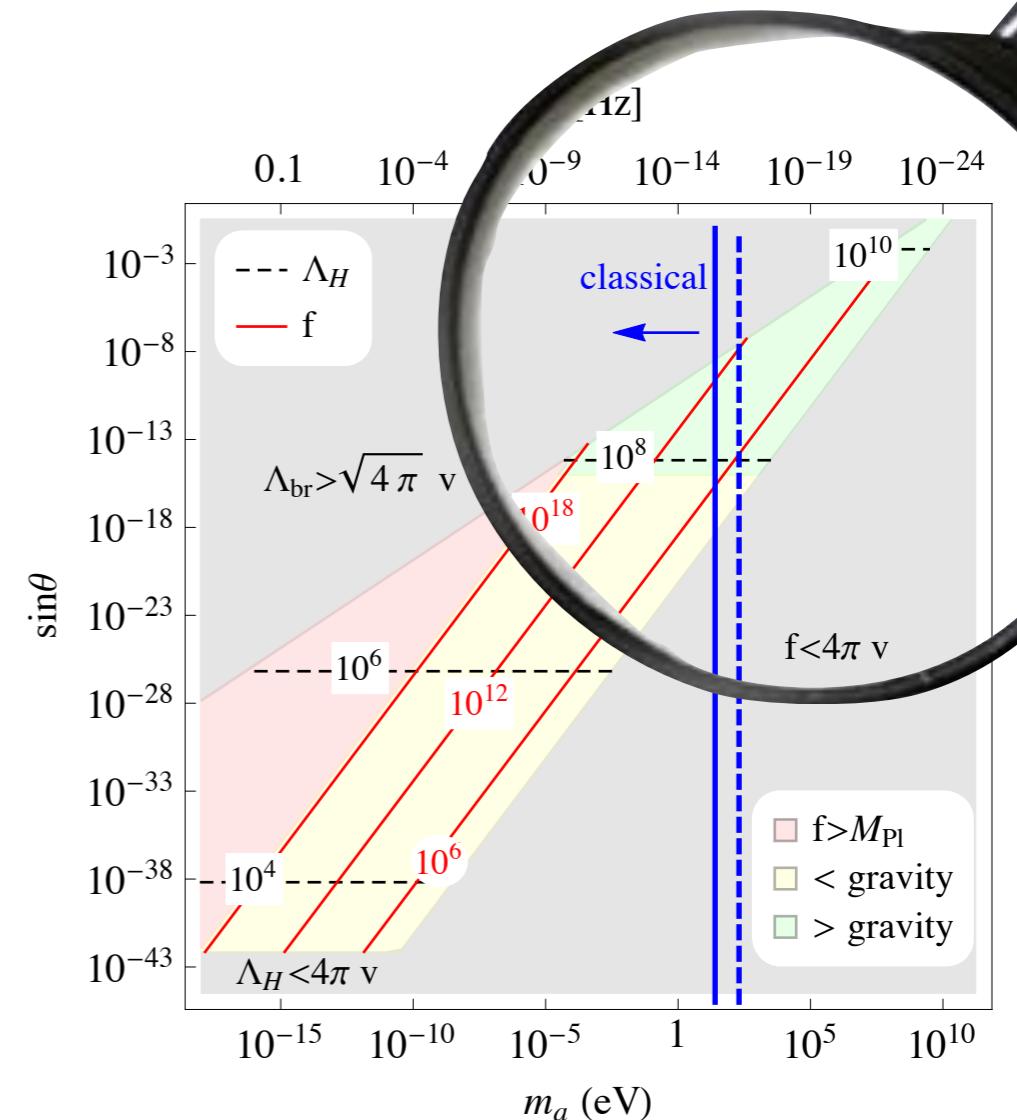
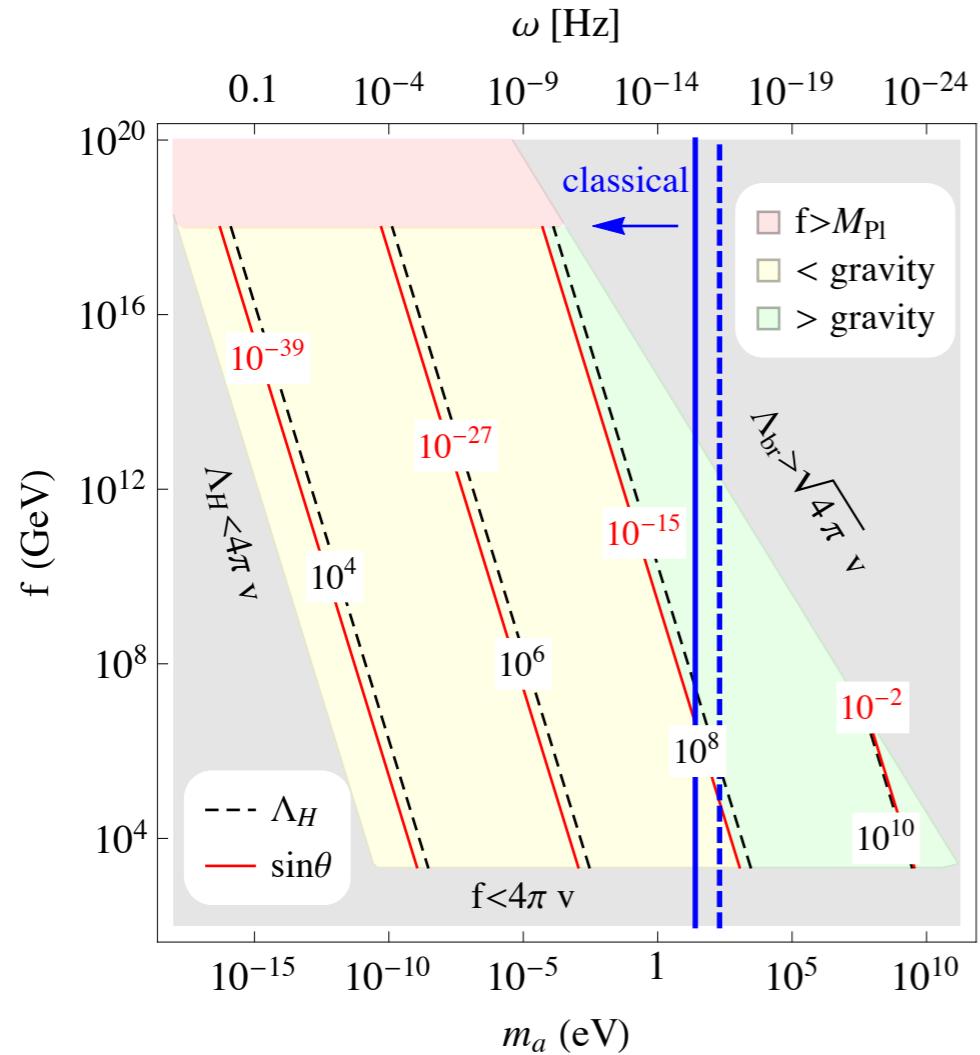
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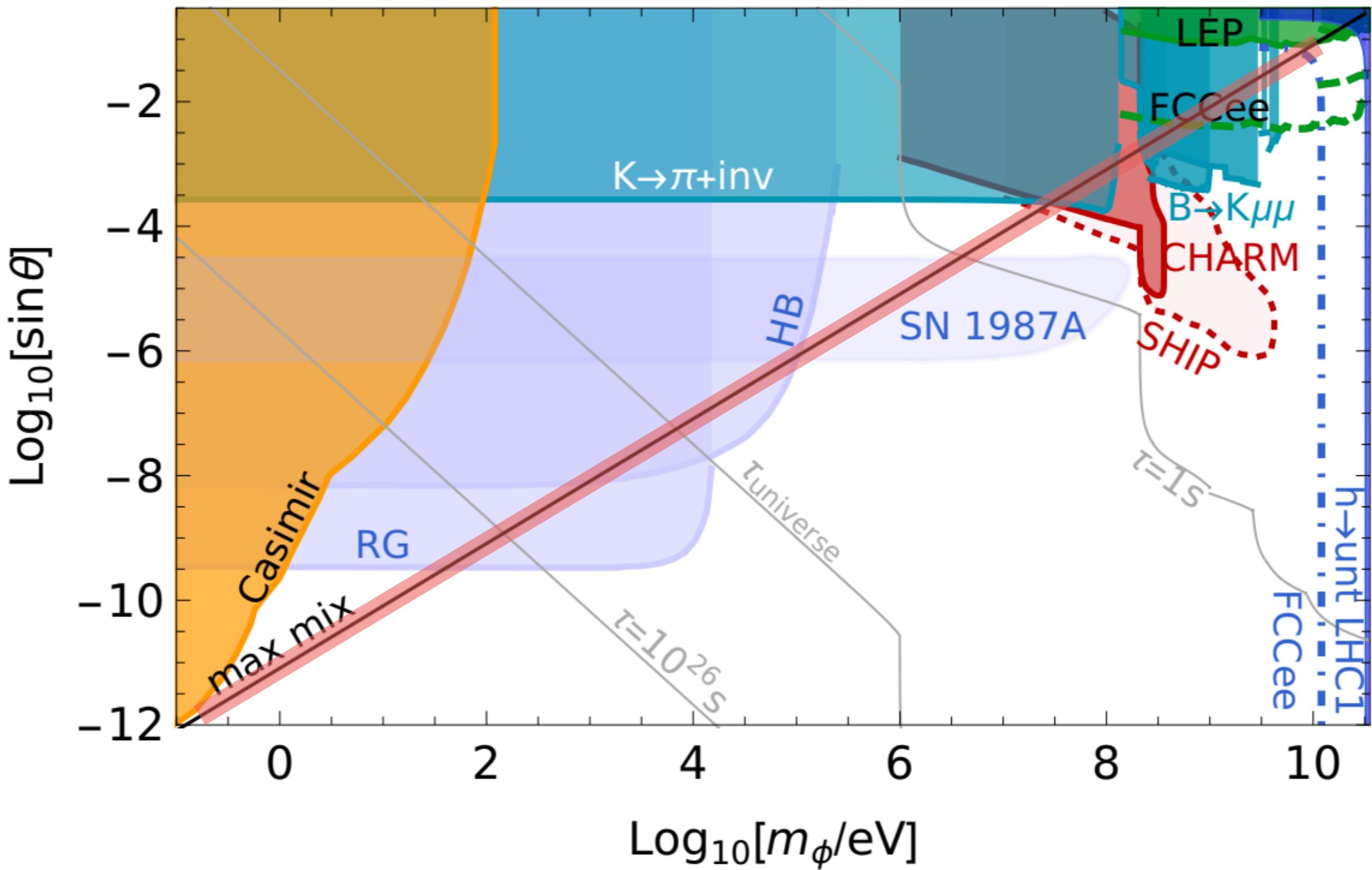


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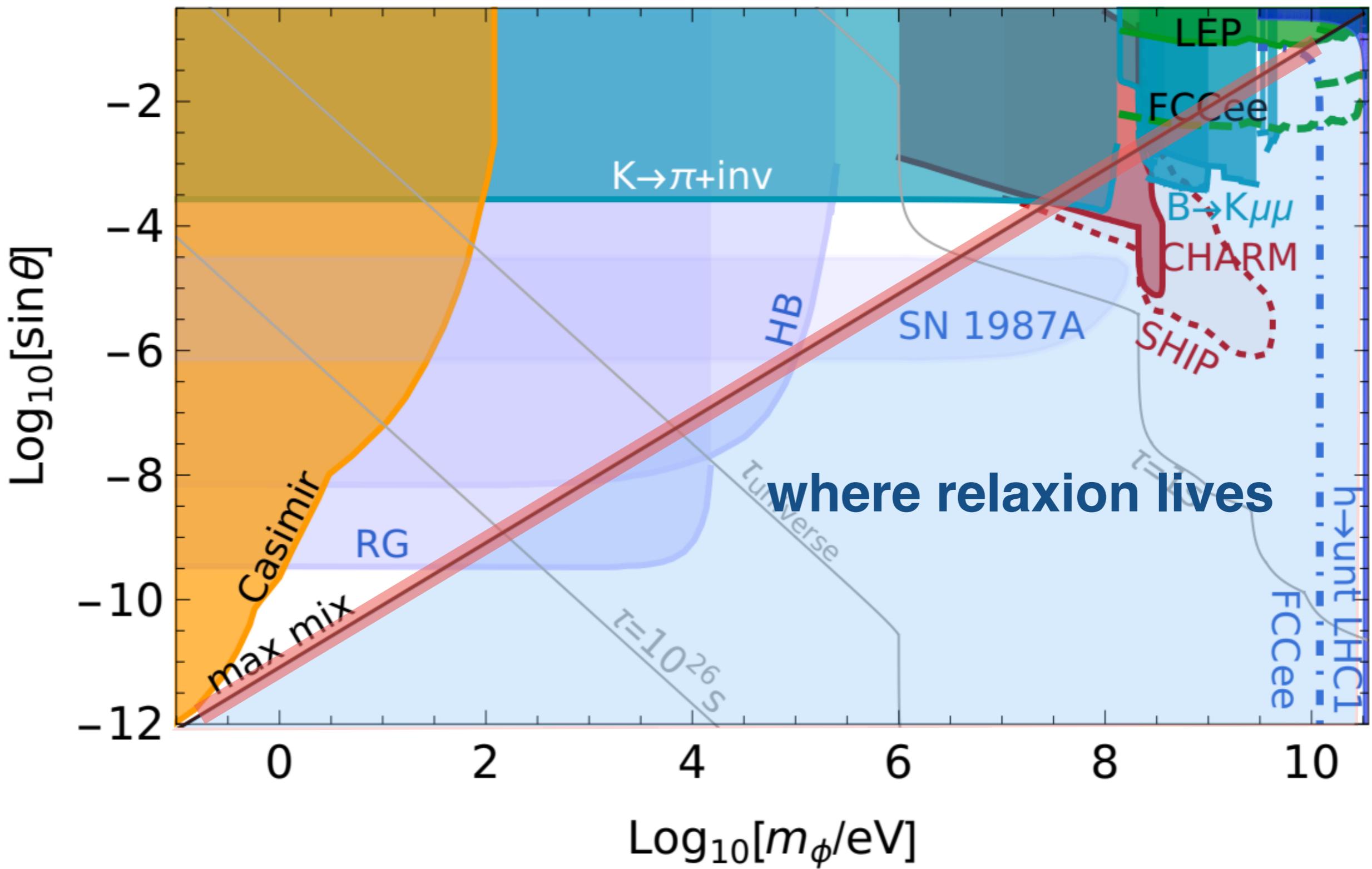
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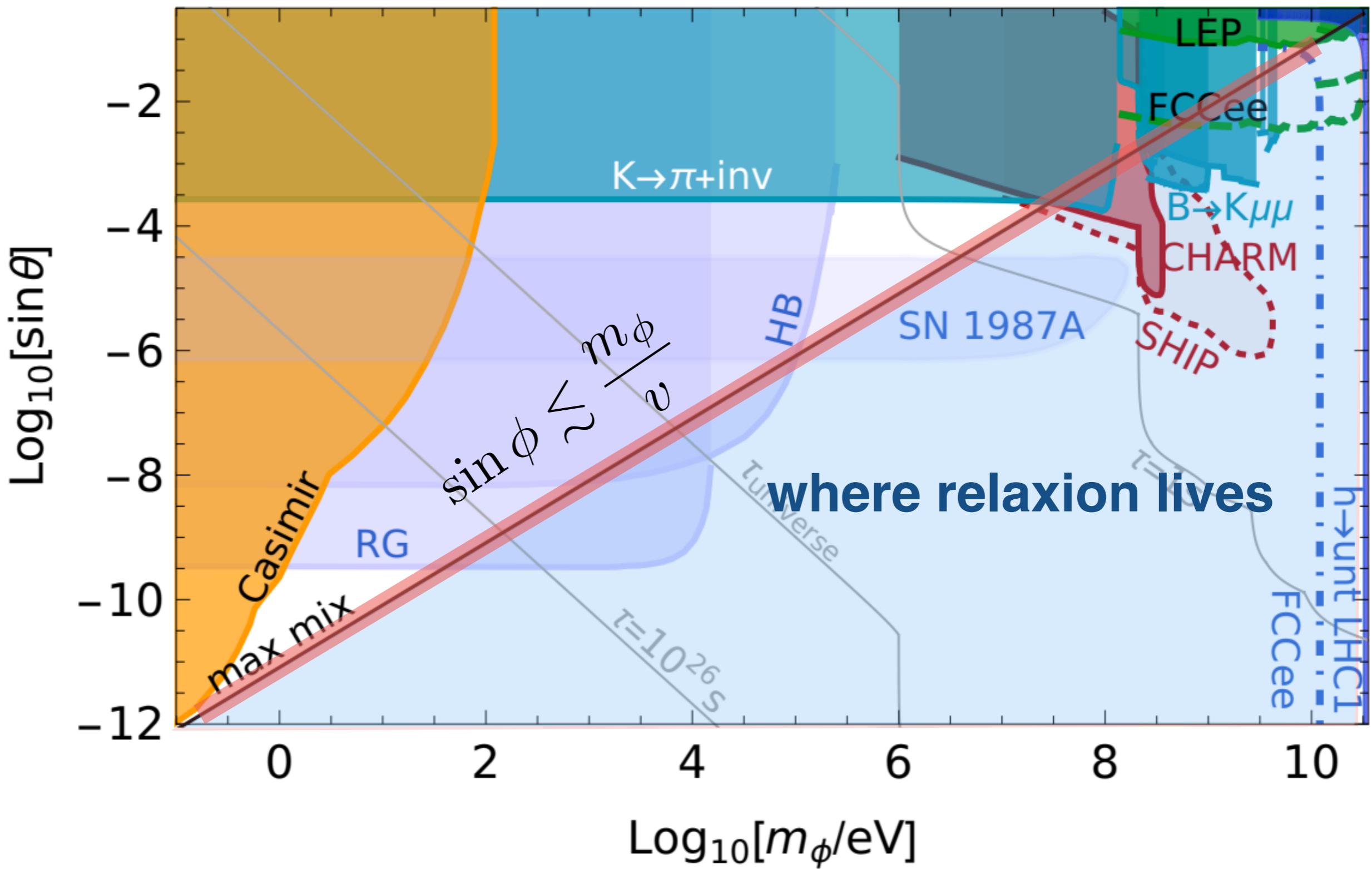
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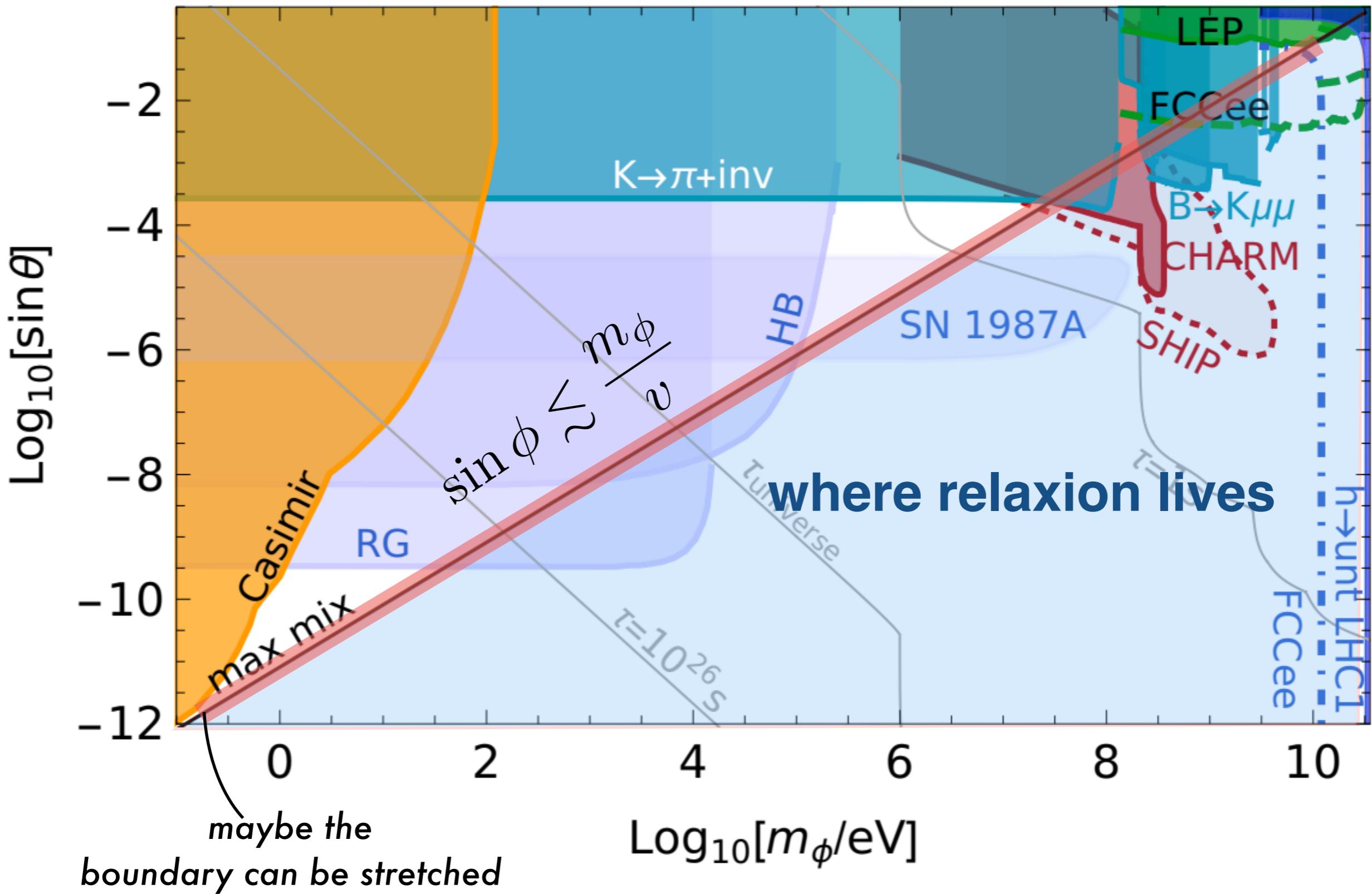
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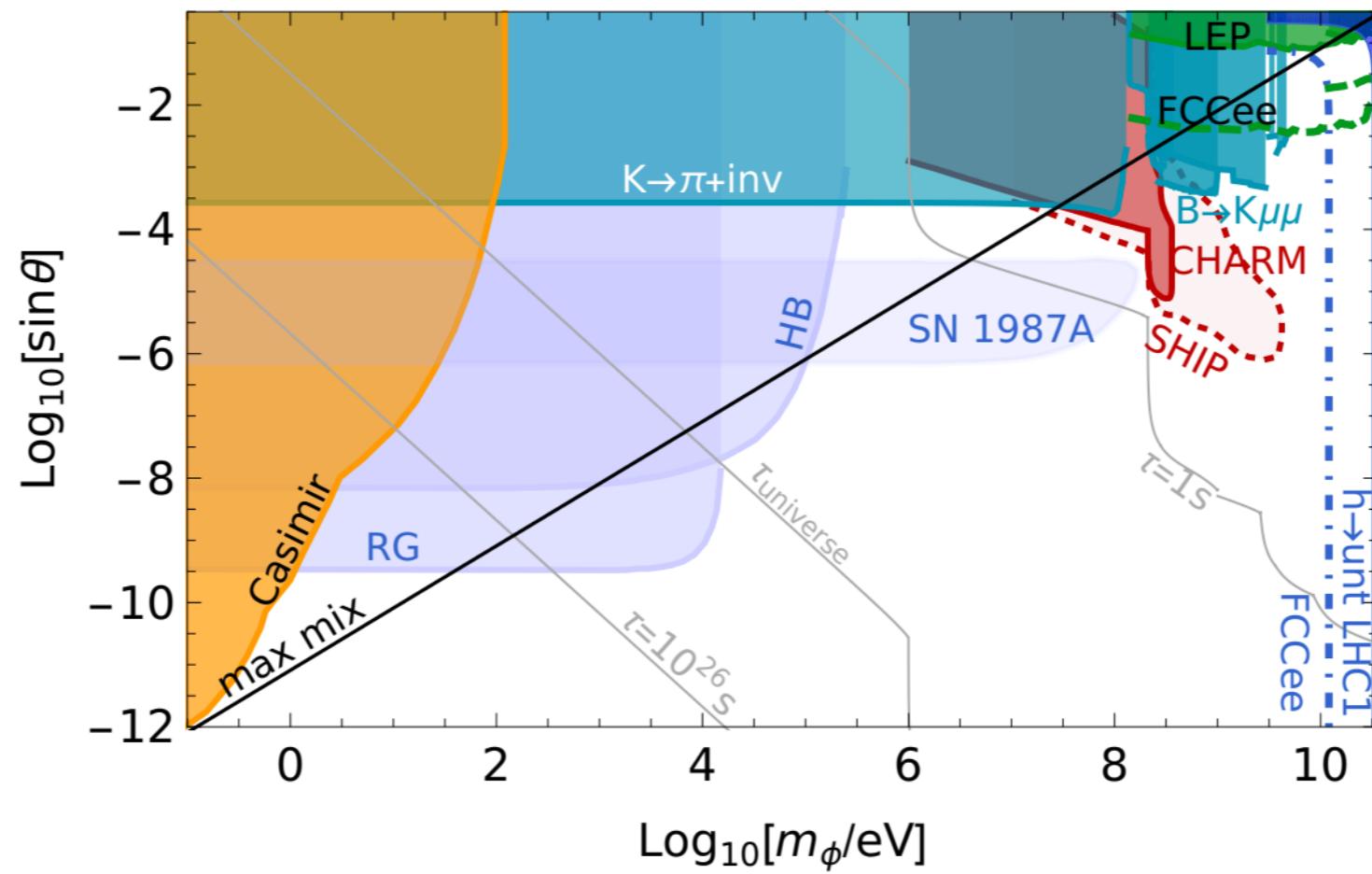


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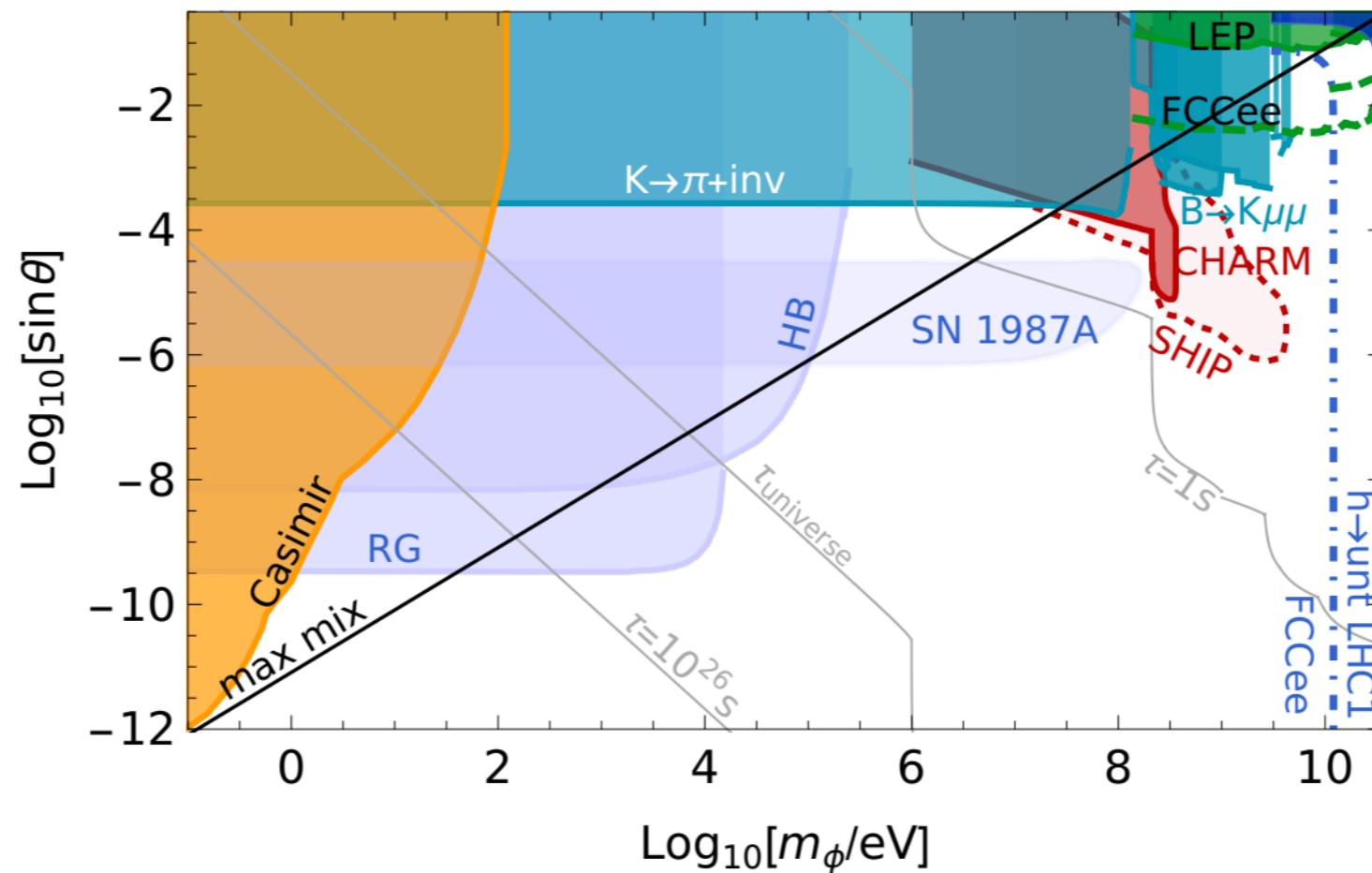


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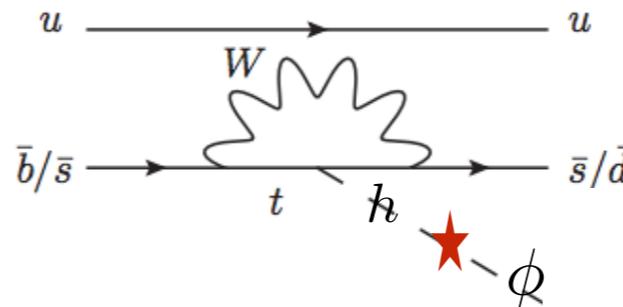
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● Proton Beam Dump

$$N_{\text{dec}} \approx N_\phi \cdot \text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow l^+l^-) \cdot e^{\frac{-L}{\tau}}$$

● Flavor transitions



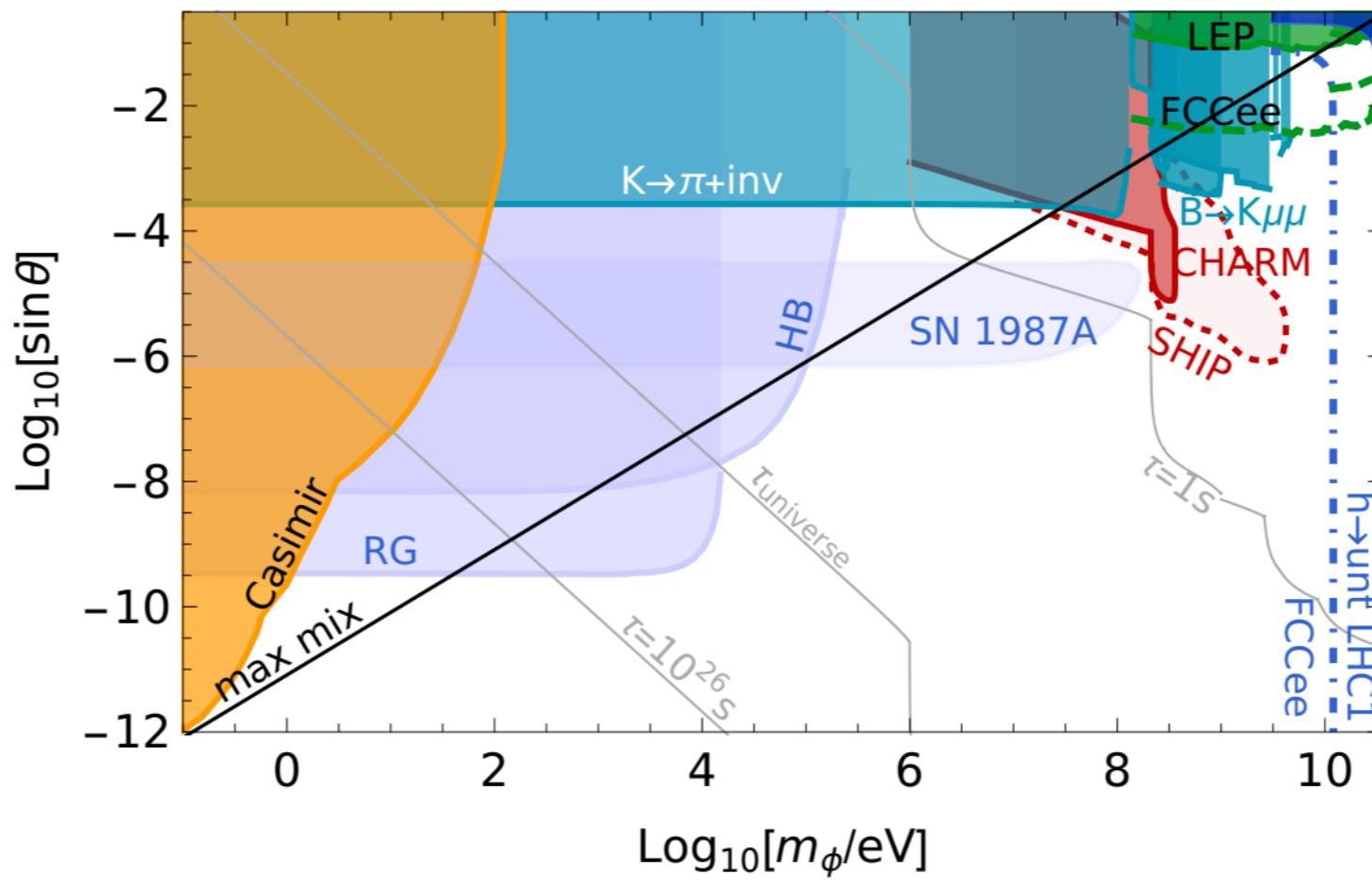
● colliders

$$\mu_h = \mu_h^{\text{SM}} \cos^2 \gamma$$

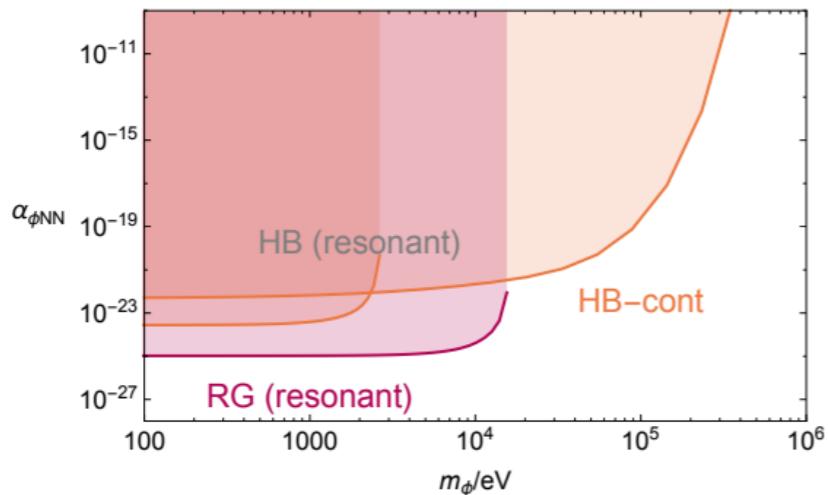
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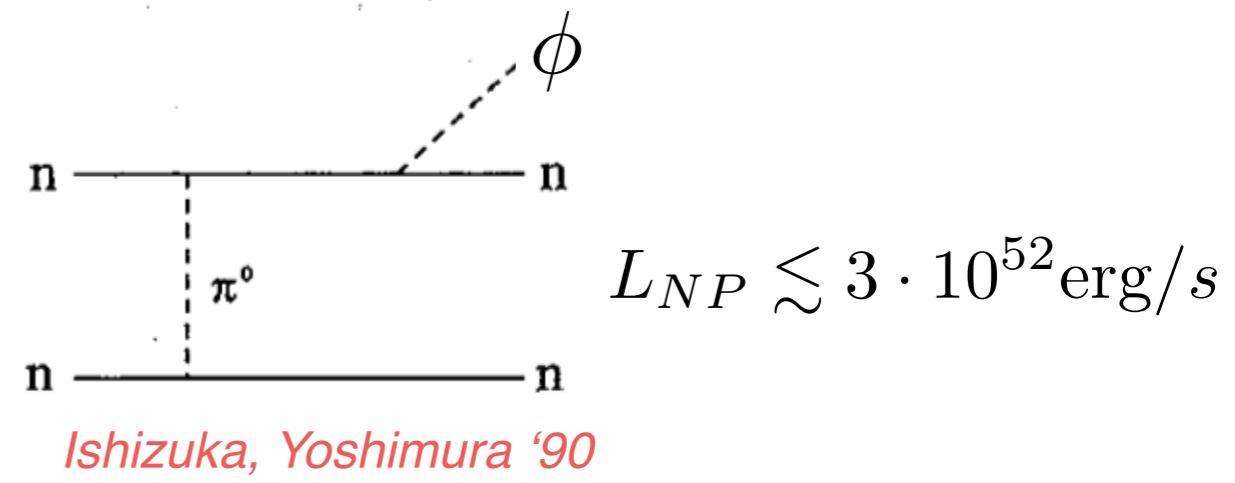
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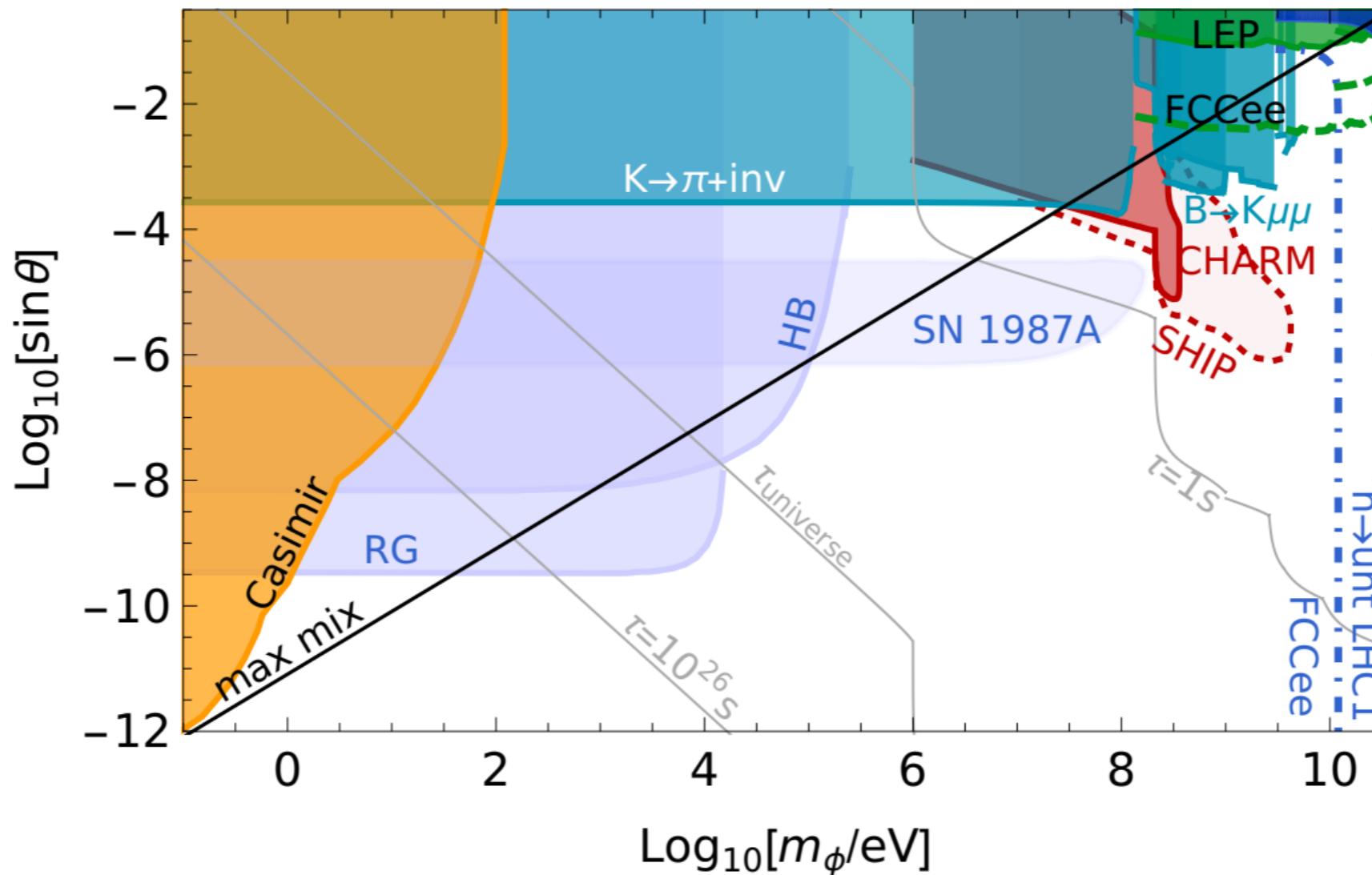


- **Supernova neutrino flux**



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$$m_\phi < 100 \text{ eV}$$



- **5th force experiments** *see Andrew's talk*

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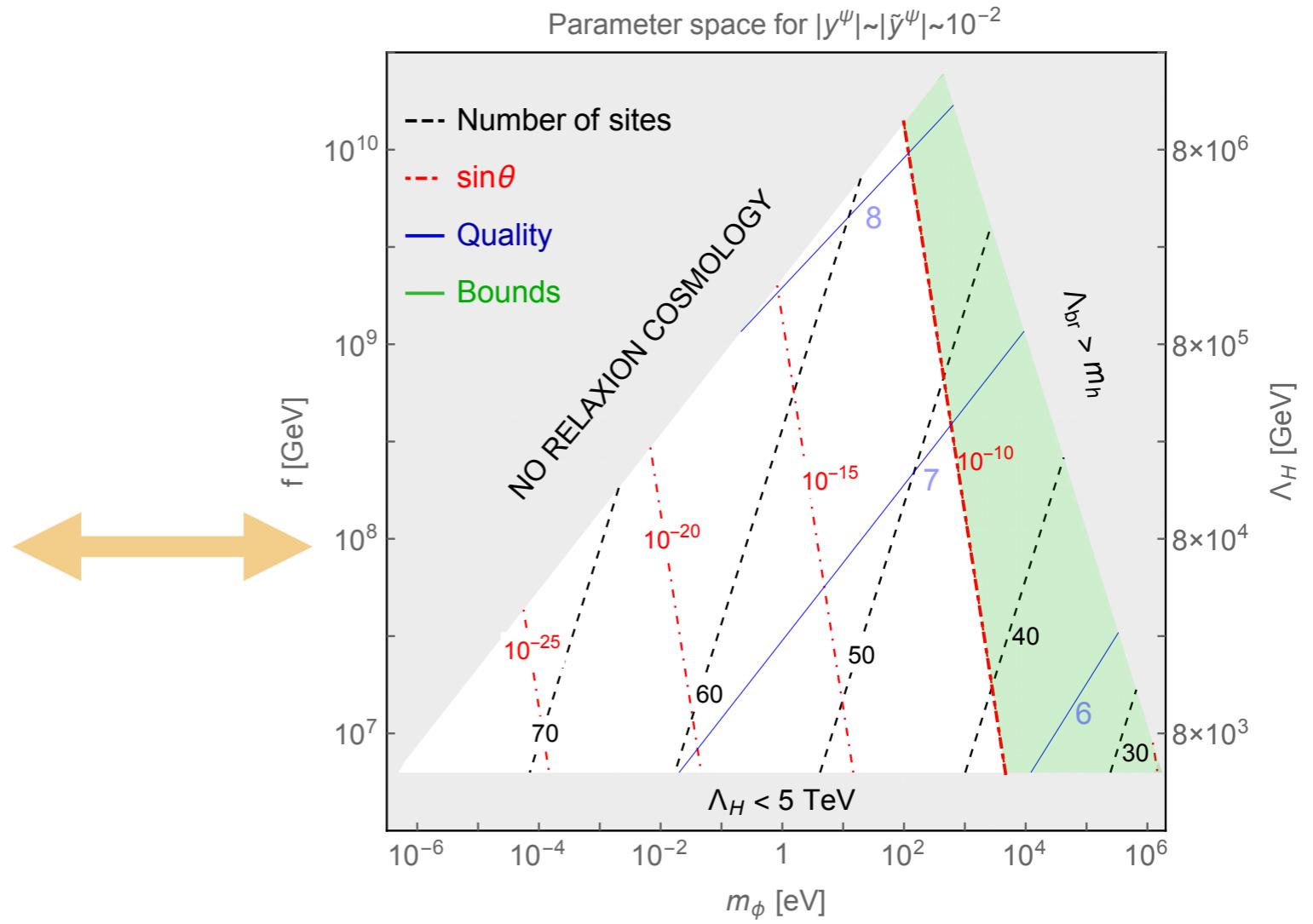
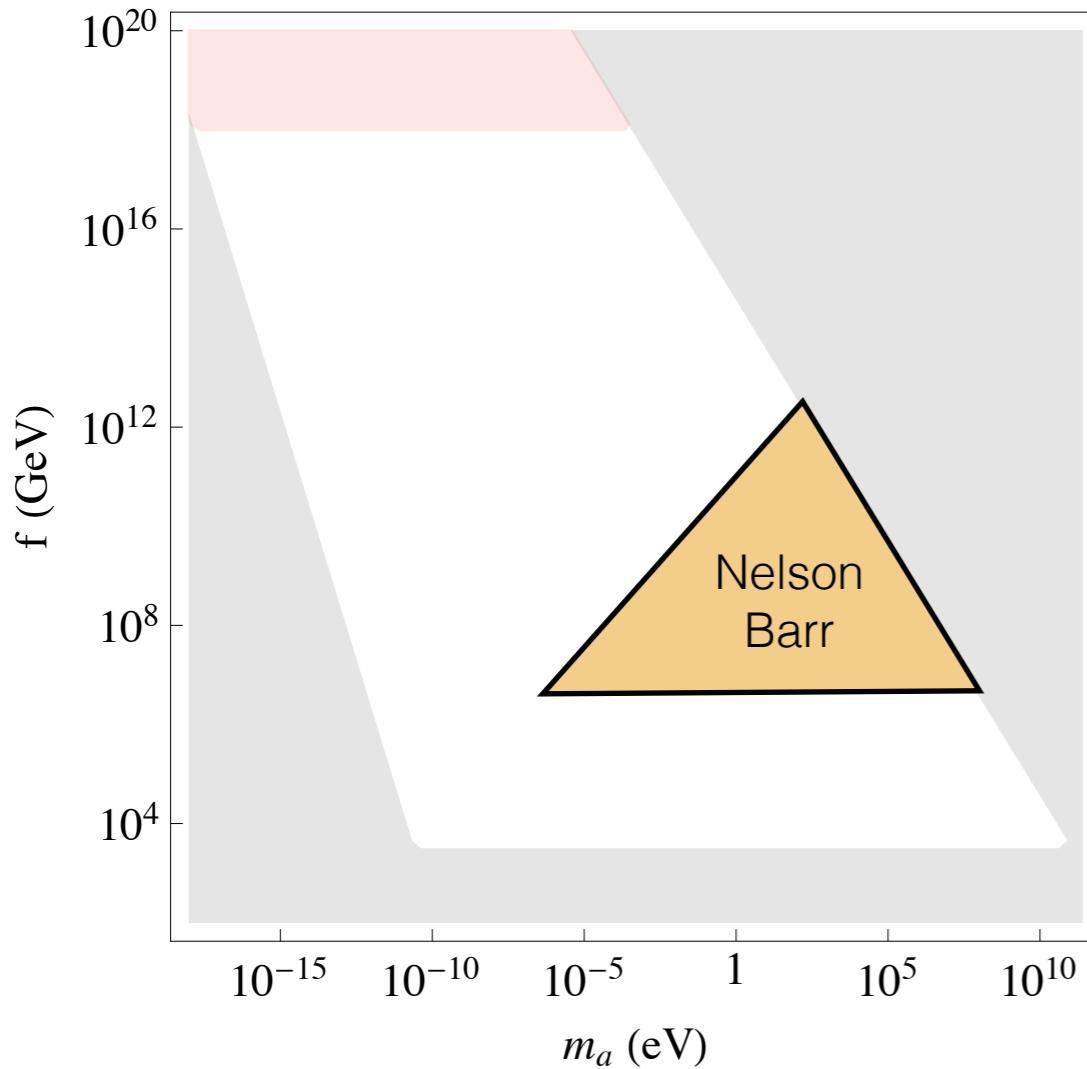
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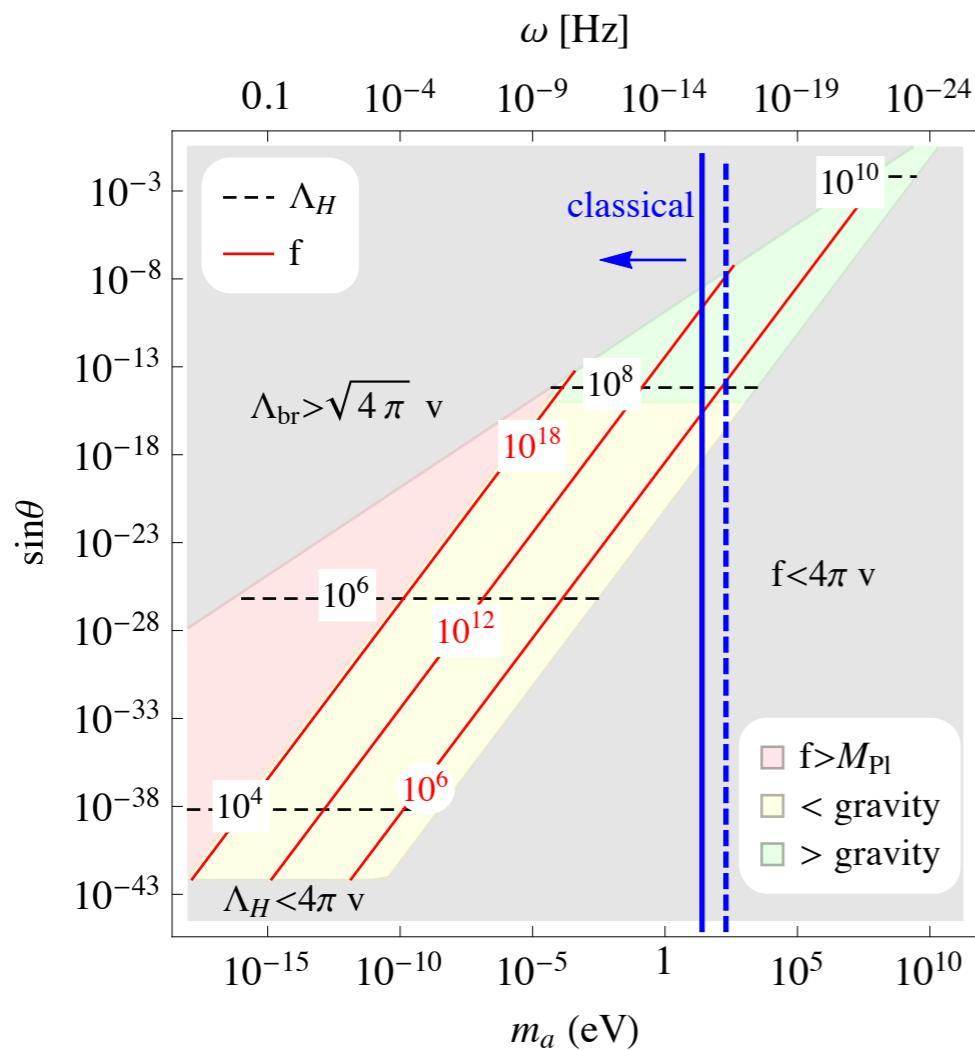


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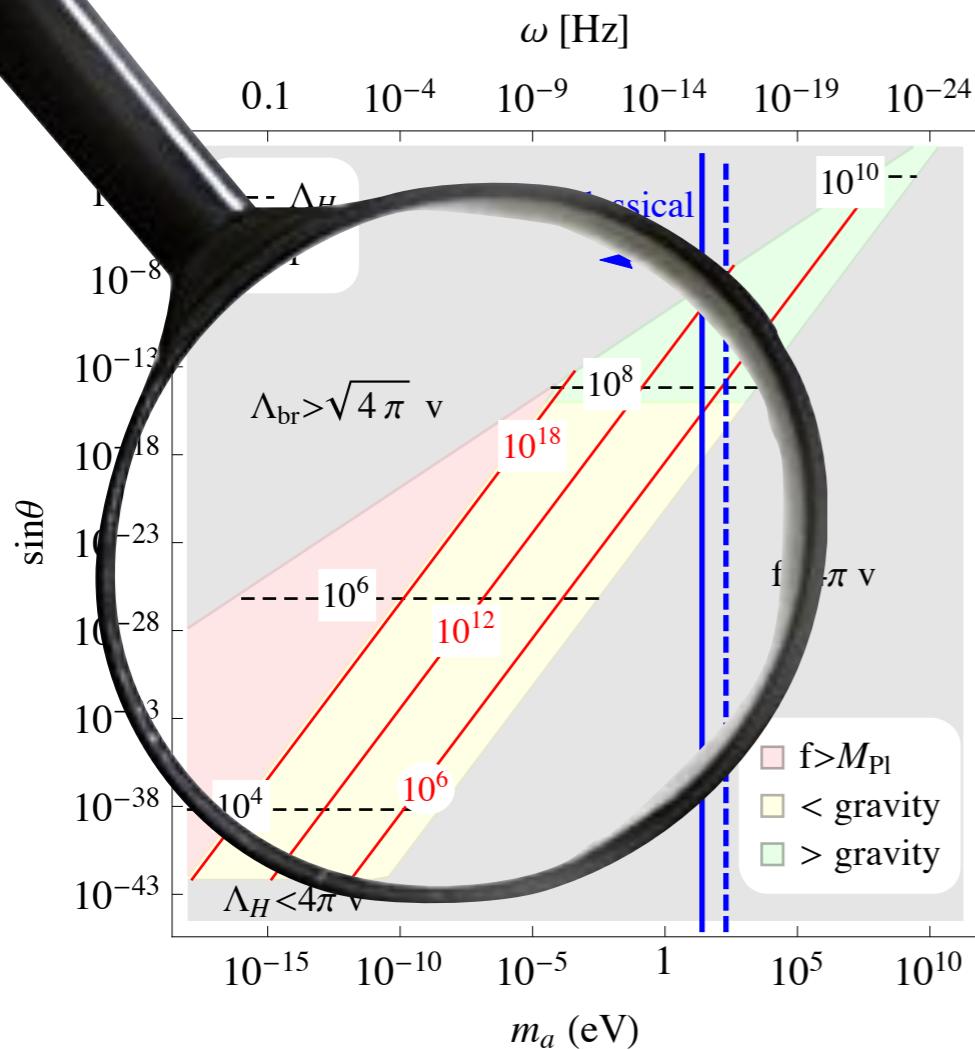
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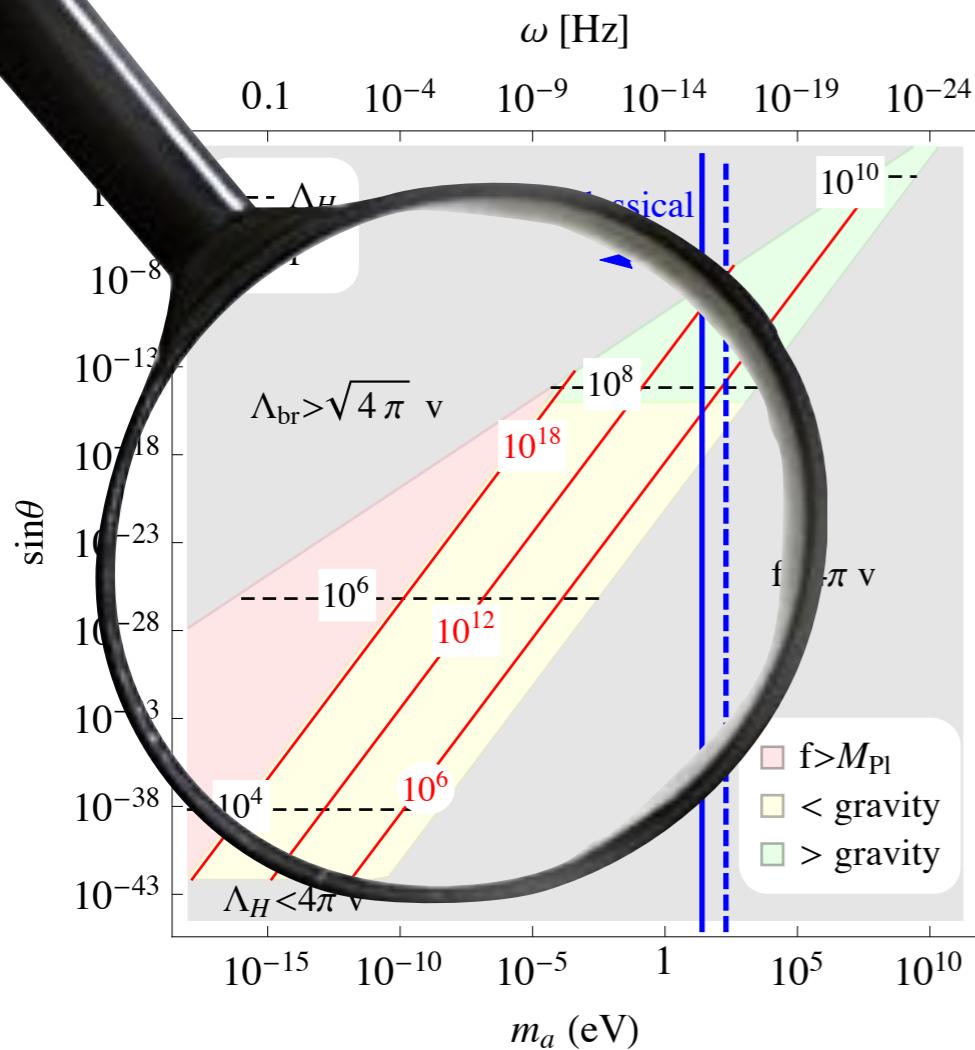
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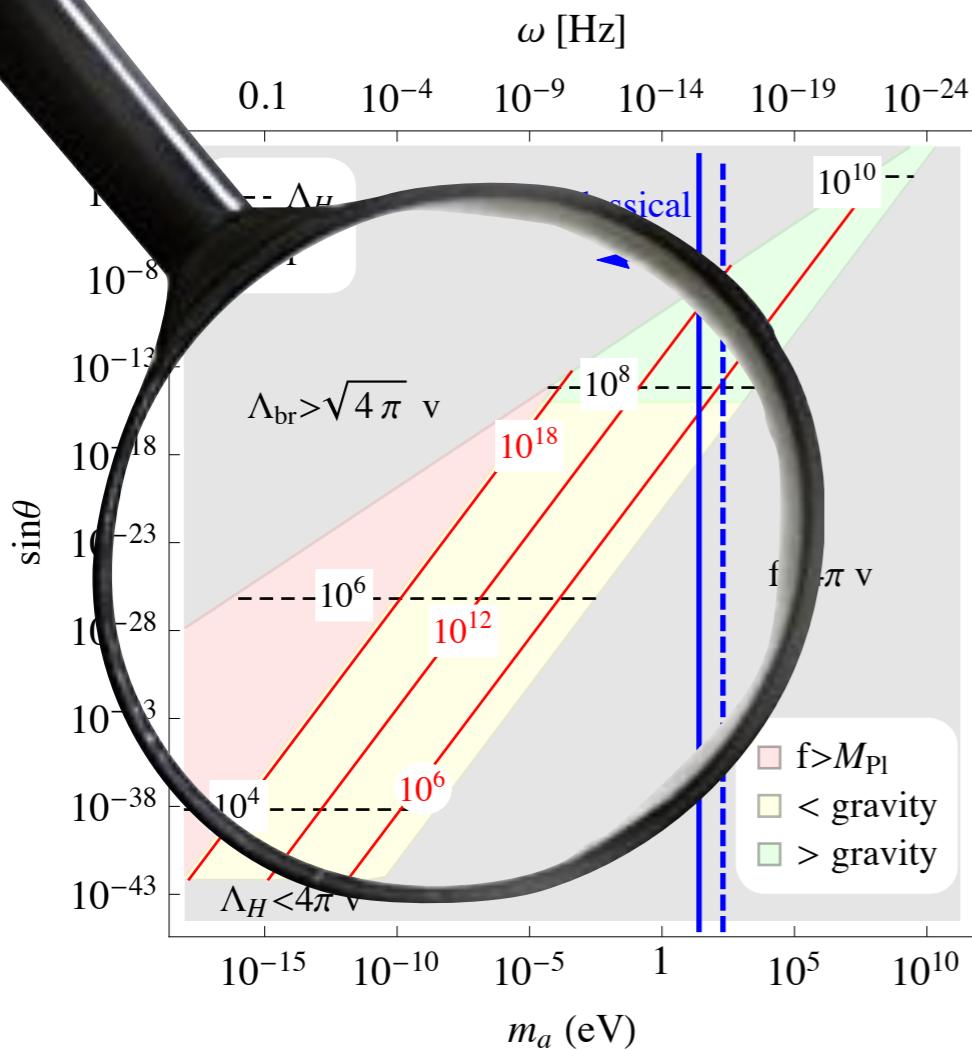
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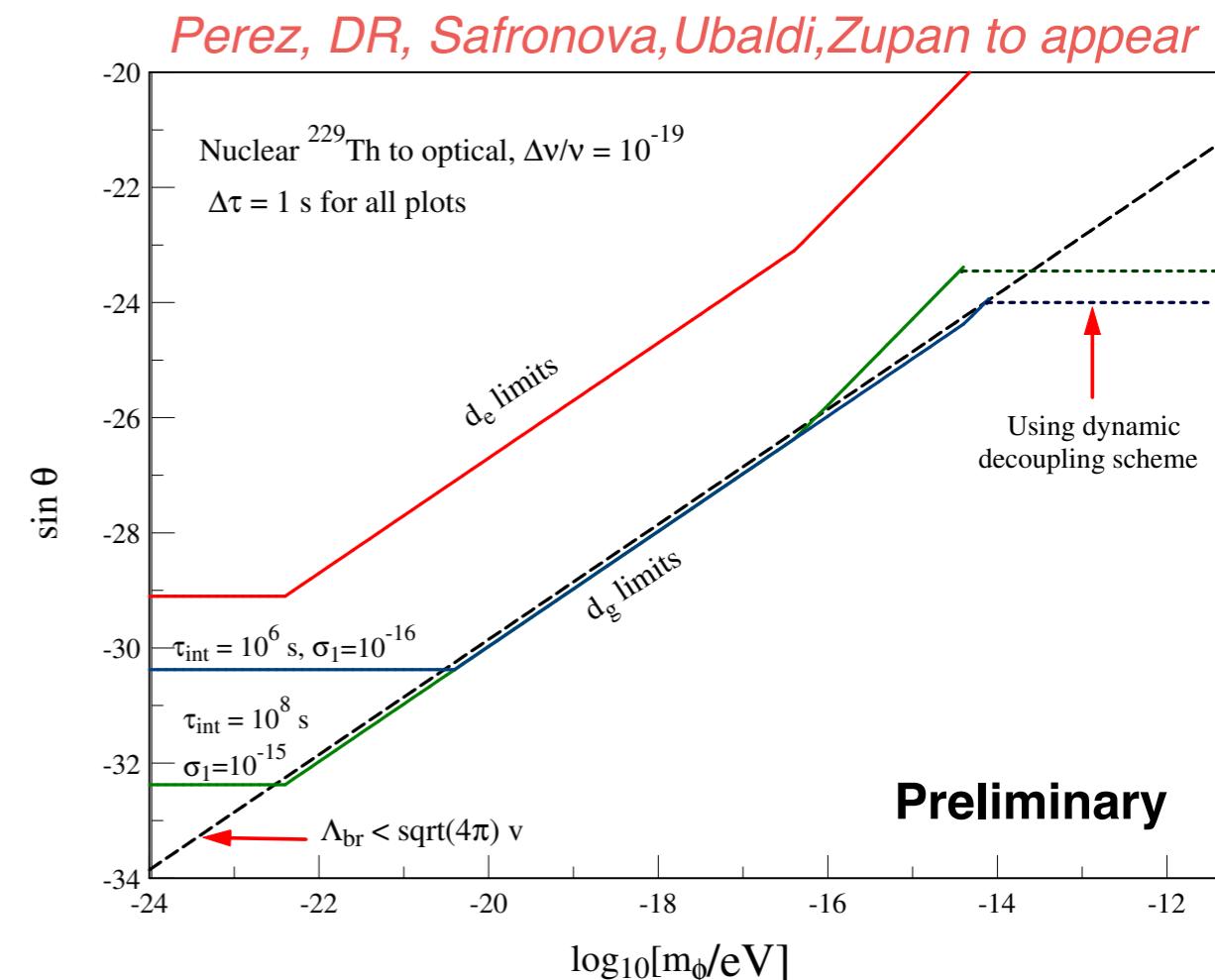
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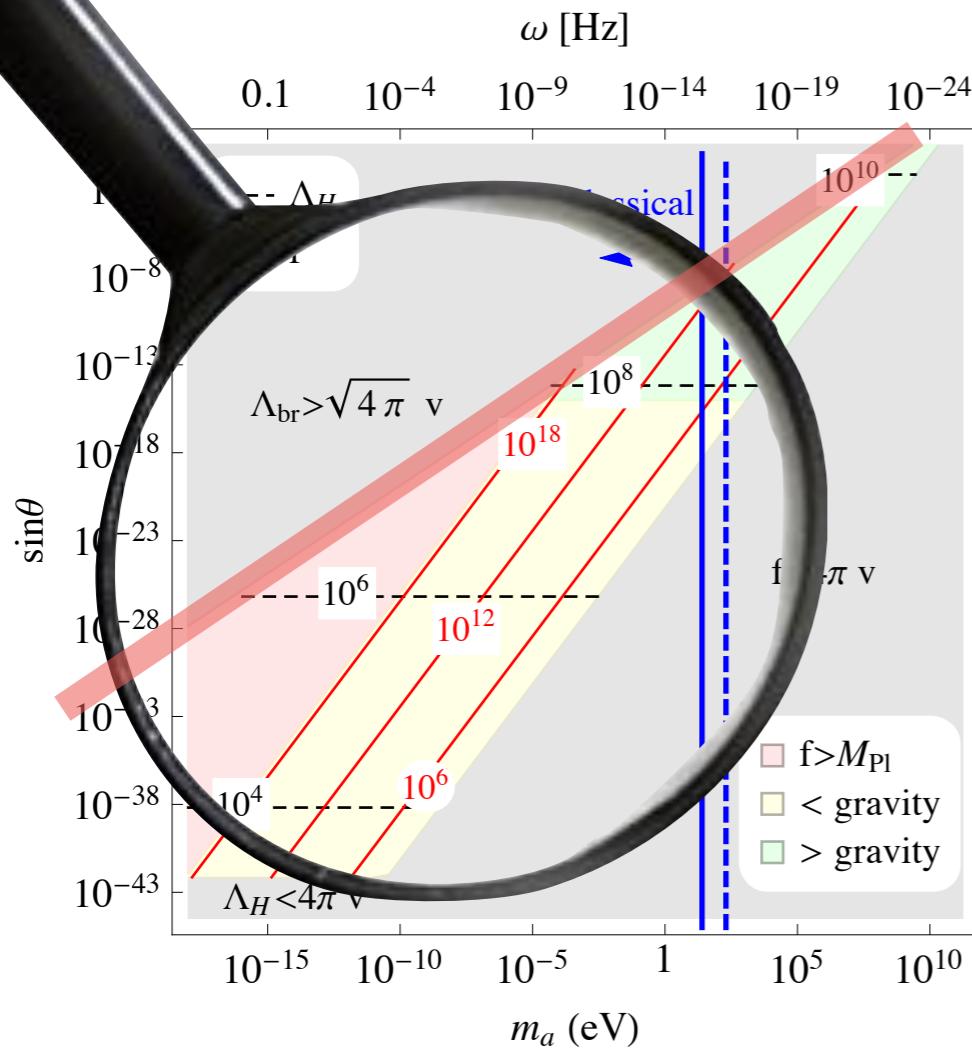


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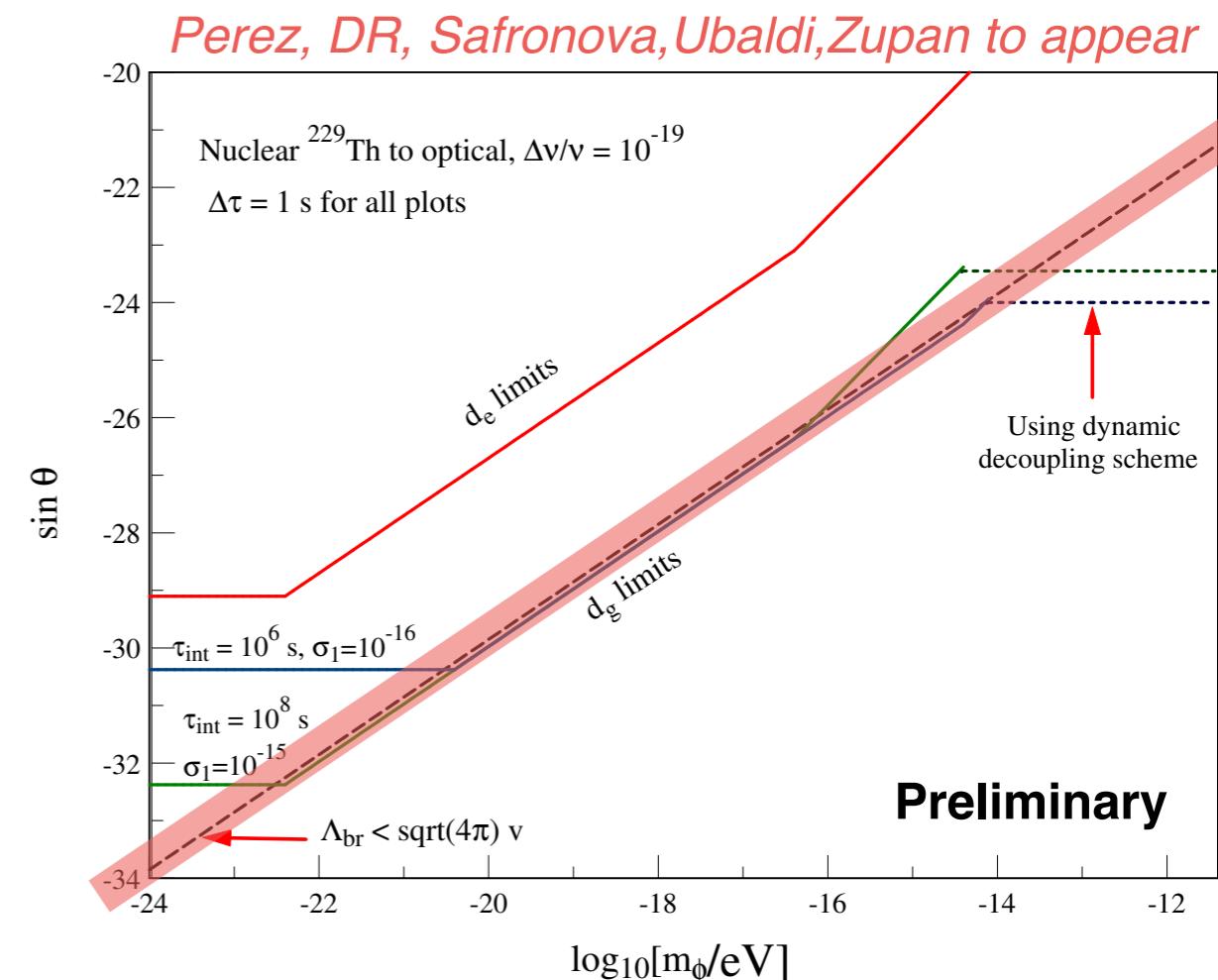
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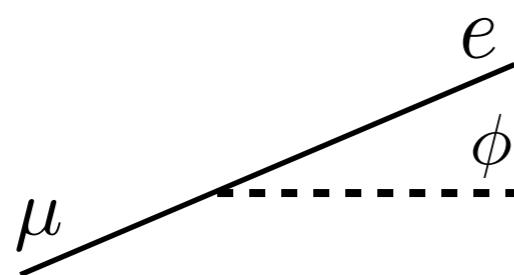
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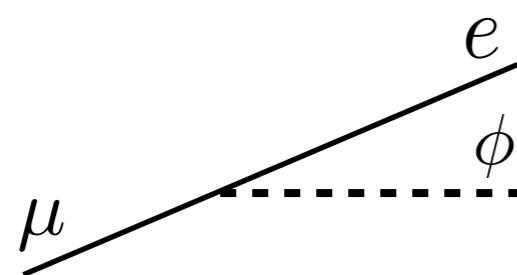
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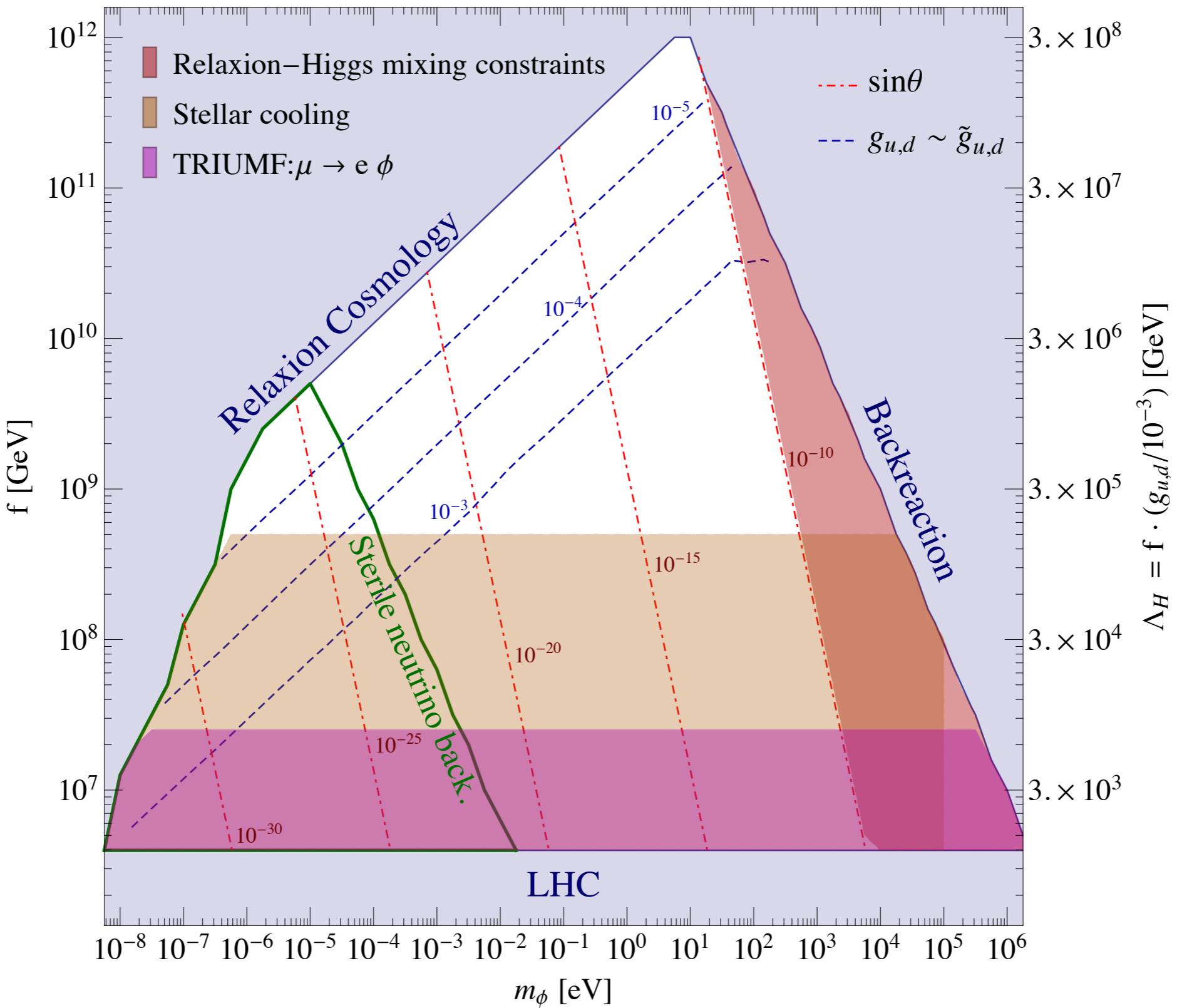
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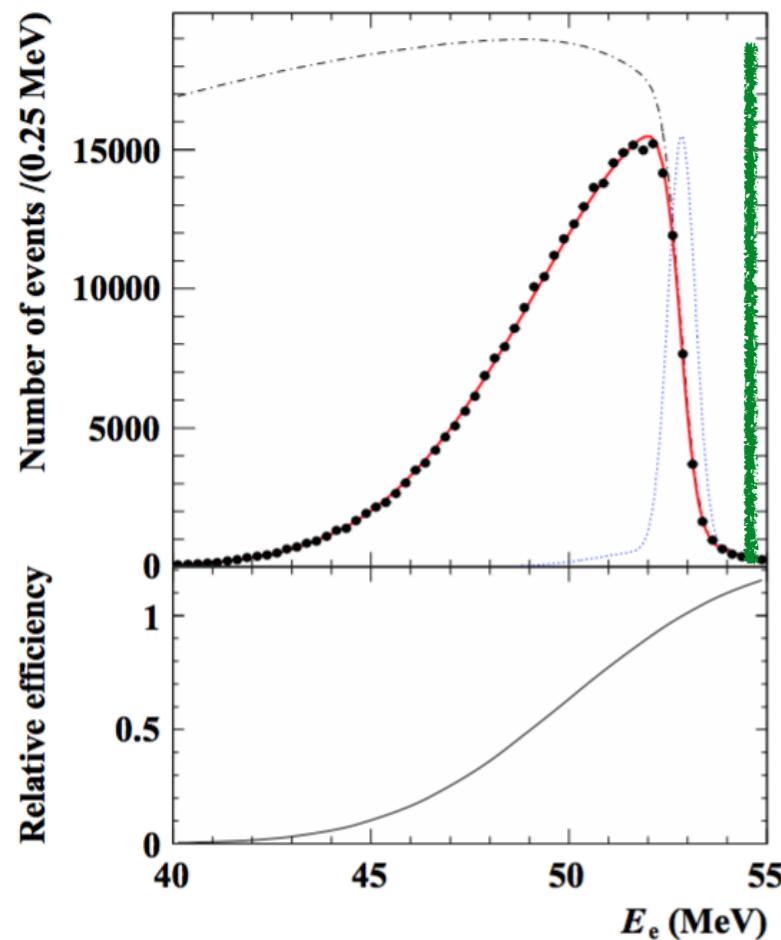
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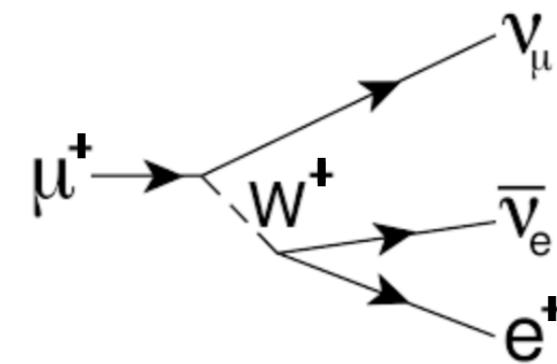
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The signal is a line at $E_e \approx \frac{m_\mu}{2}$

The background comes from



The peak of the Michel spectrum depend on the muon polarization

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GENERAL LESSON HERE:

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- They compete/complement with astro in some region of the par. space
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(more examples @ NA62 and LHCb)

See talk by Filippo Sala

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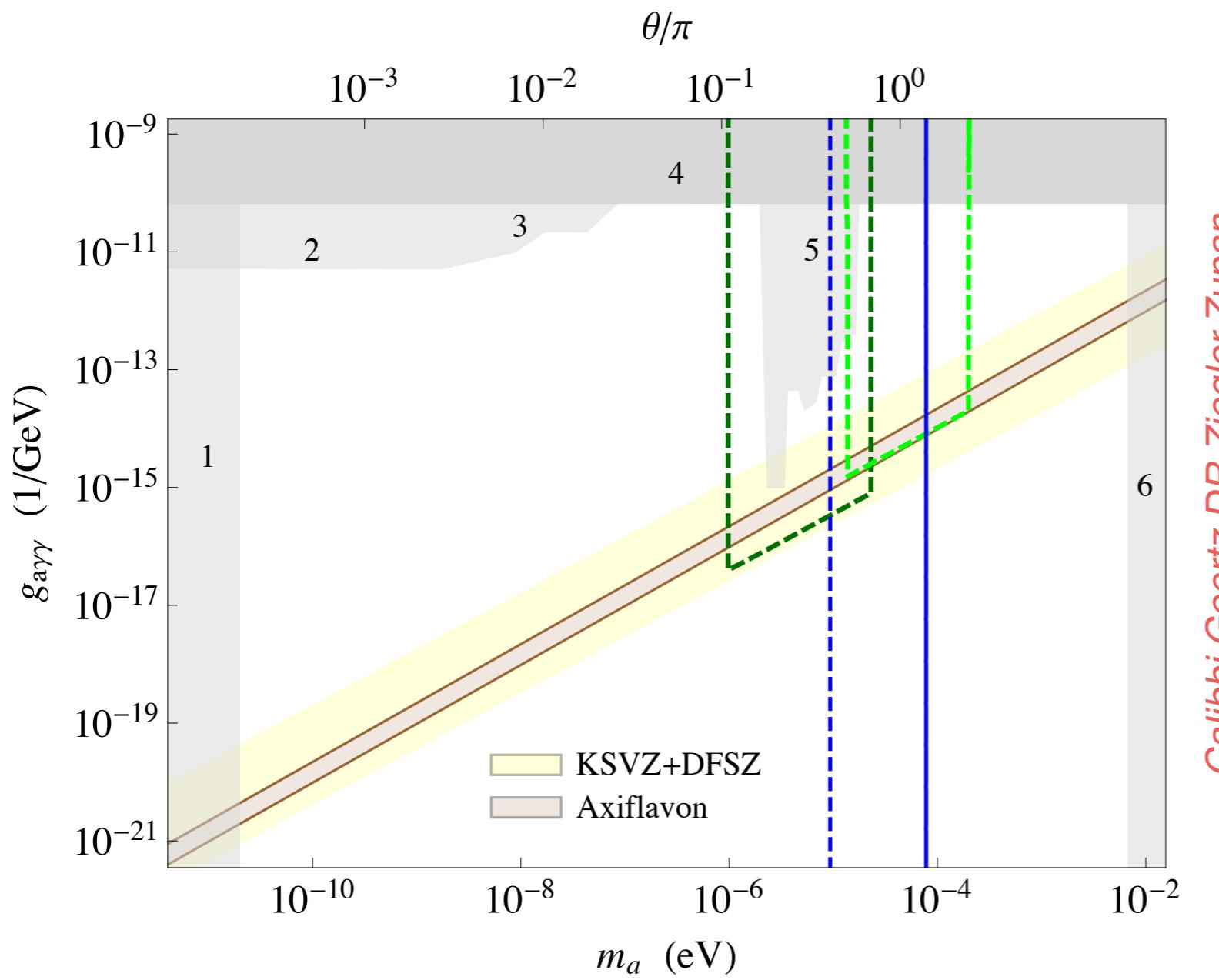
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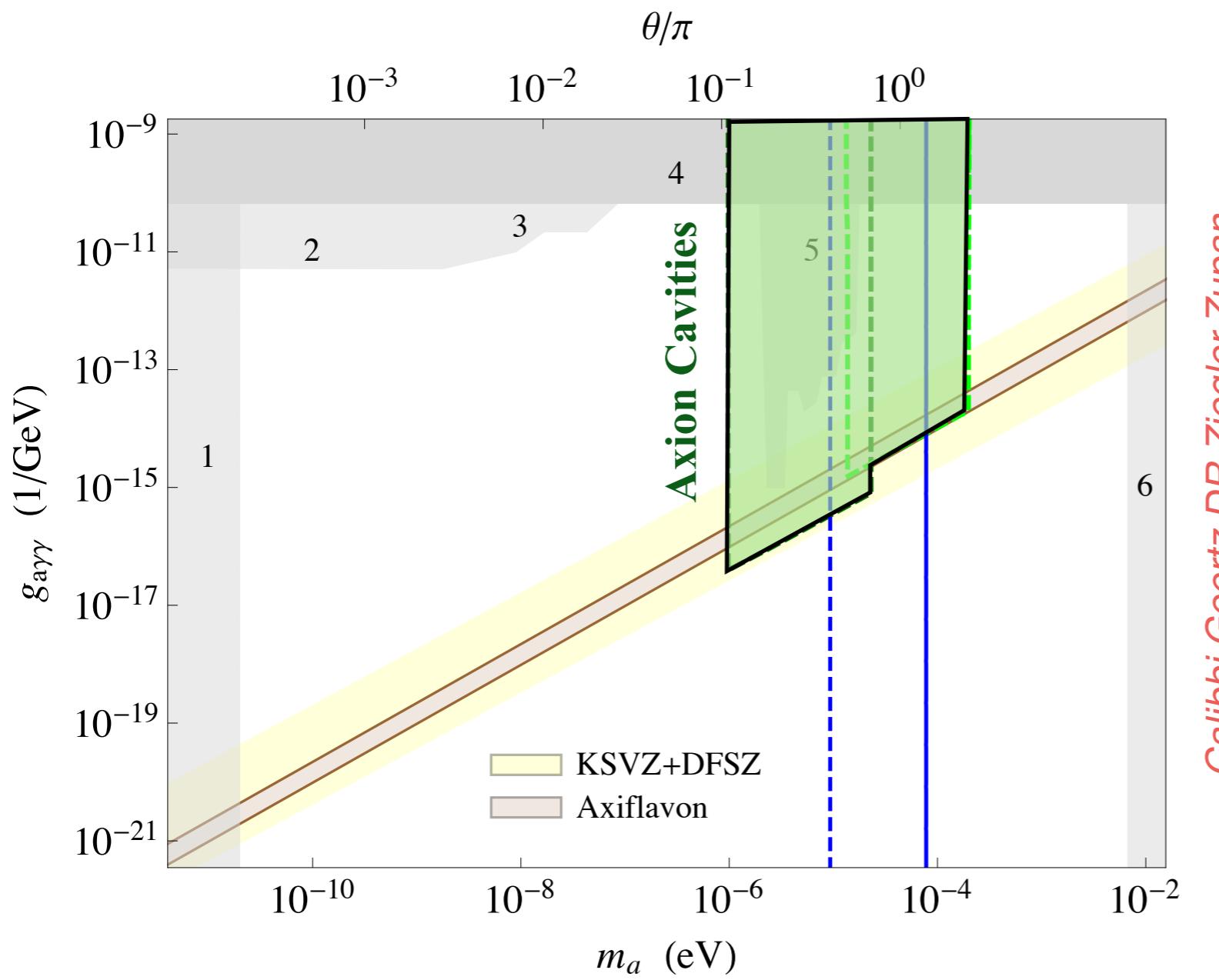
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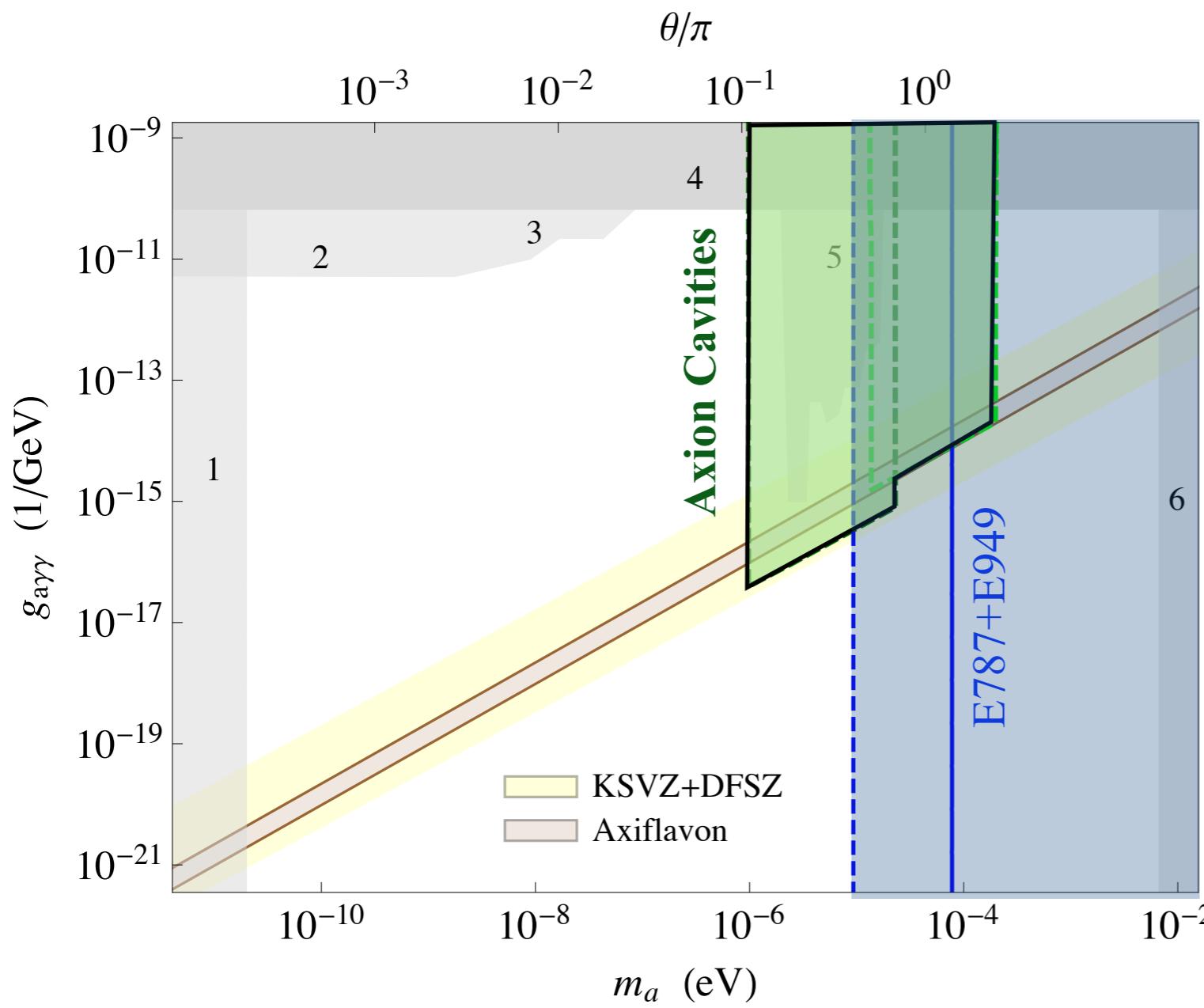
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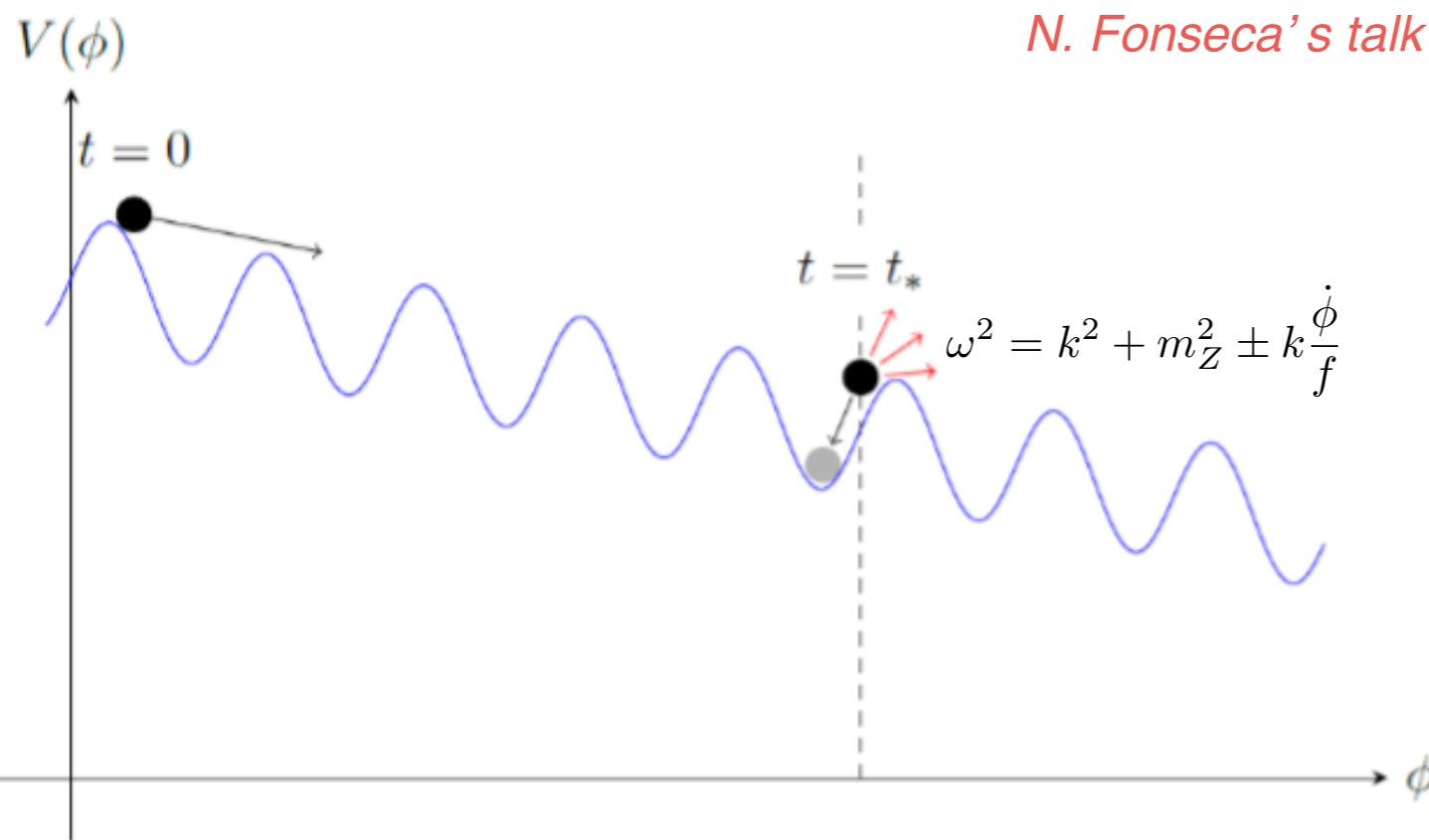
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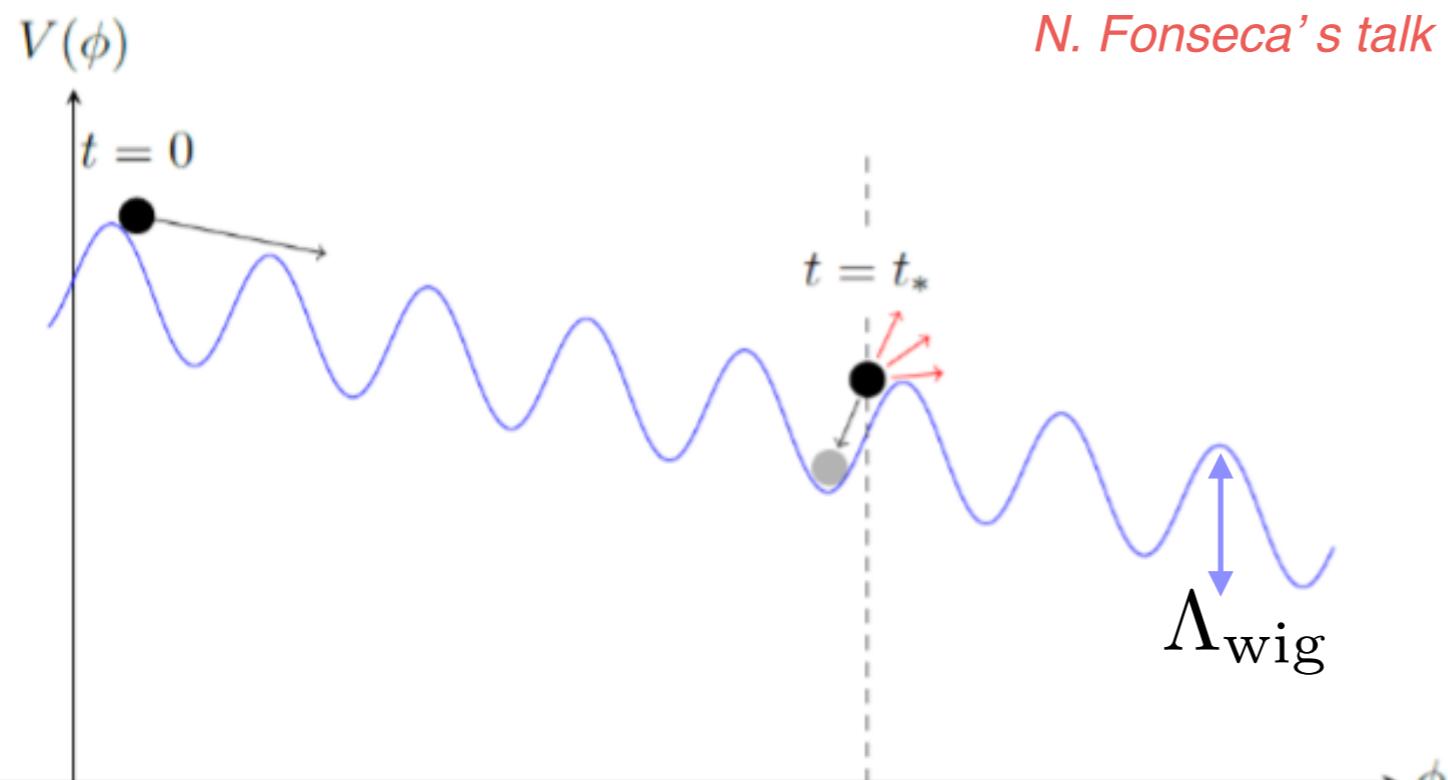
$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{\phi}{f} (\alpha_Y B \tilde{B} - \alpha_2 W \tilde{W})$$

FEATURES:

- classical rolling + production of massive gauge bosons
- EW VEV goes down and enhance particle production
- particle production relevant $\dot{\phi}_s \sim f v$
- no coupling to photons

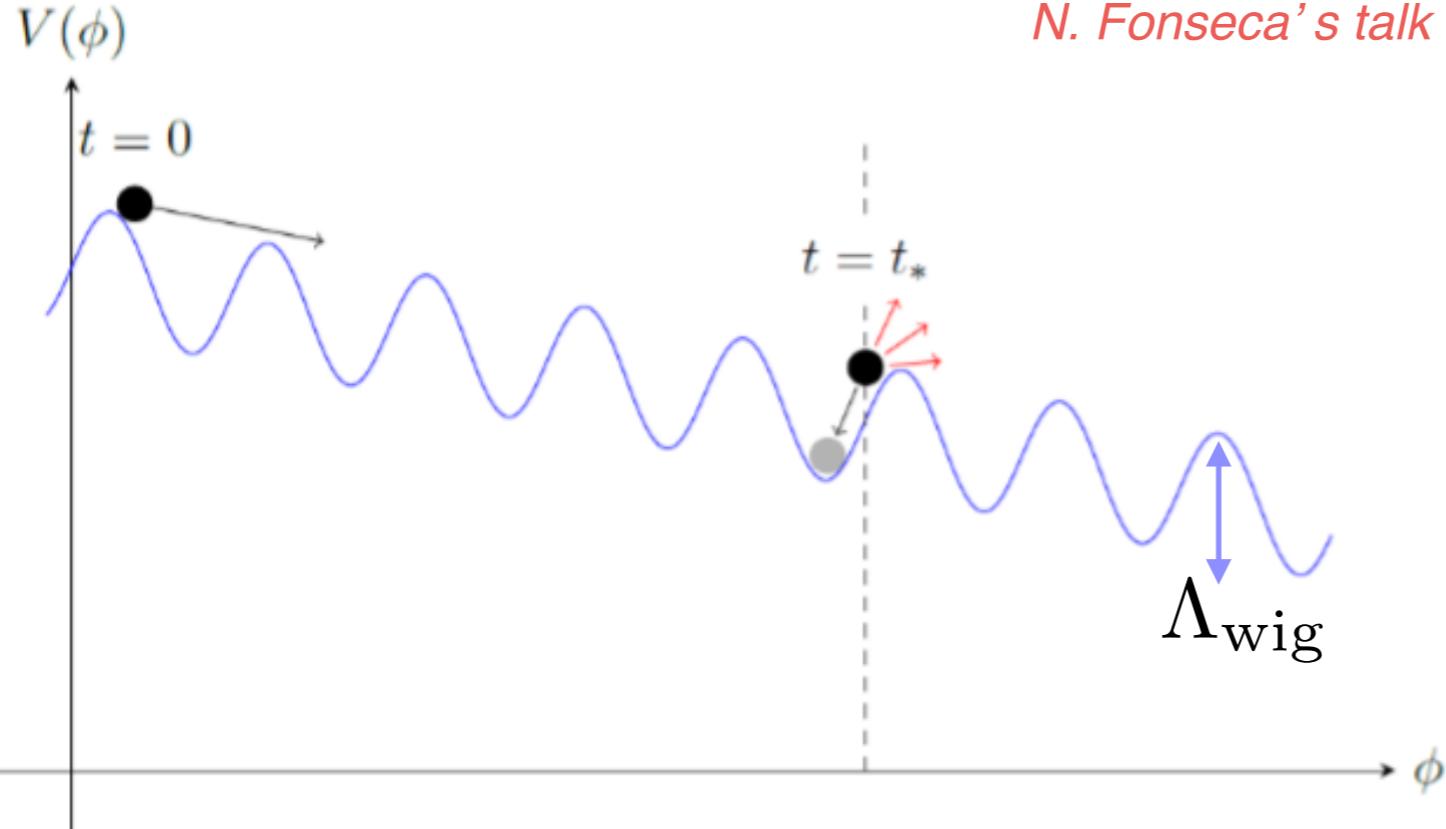
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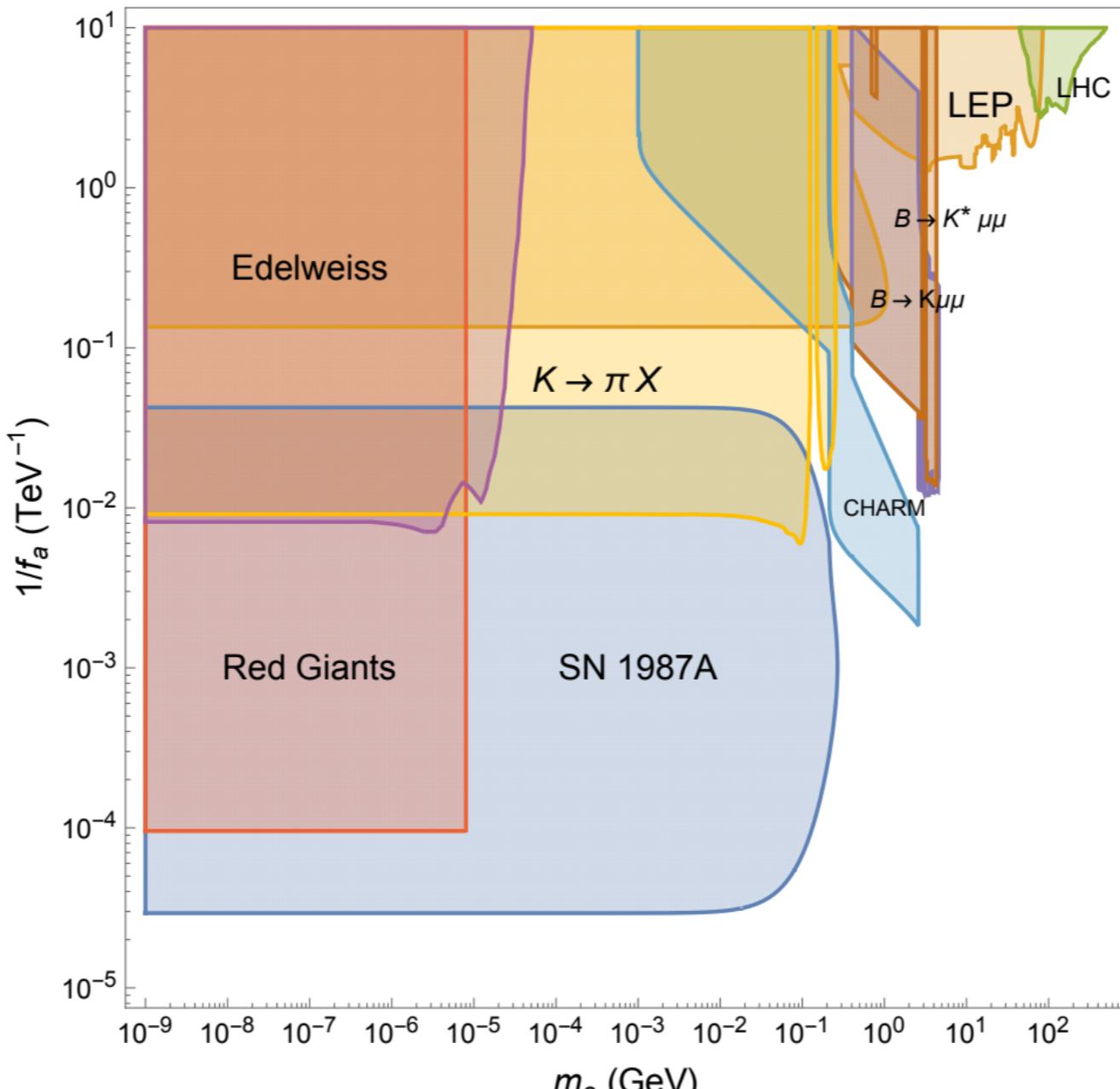


N. Fonseca's talk

- $F \lesssim M_{\text{Pl}}$
- $\Lambda_{\text{UV}} \lesssim \sqrt{M_{\text{Pl}} v} \cdot \left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{wiggles}}}{f} \right)^2$
- $\dot{\phi}_i^2 \gtrsim \Lambda_{\text{wig}}^4$, $\dot{\phi}_f^2 \gtrsim \Lambda_{\text{wig}}^4$
- $F \lesssim \left(\frac{T_{\text{RH}}}{\Lambda_{\text{UV}}} \right)^2 \cdot M_{\text{Pl}}$

CONSEQUENCES:

- Subplanckian field excursion
- Large wiggles \longleftrightarrow heavy relaxion
- non-generic initial velocity \longleftrightarrow tuning in the initial conditions?
- relaxation without inflation N. Fonseca, E. Morgante, G. Servant '18

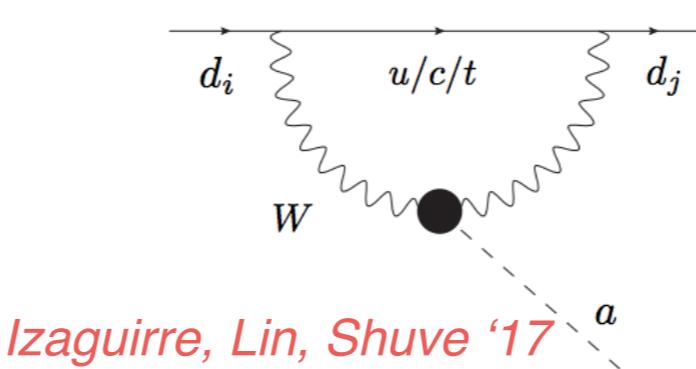


● **Bolometers/Red Giants**

**production of axion
in the Sun**

$$e + Ze \rightarrow Ze + e + a$$

● **Flavor transitions**

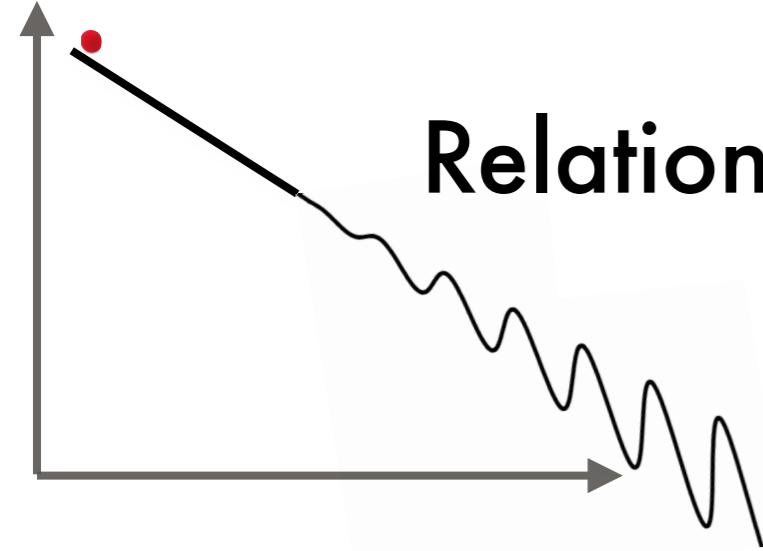


Izaguirre, Lin, Shuve '17

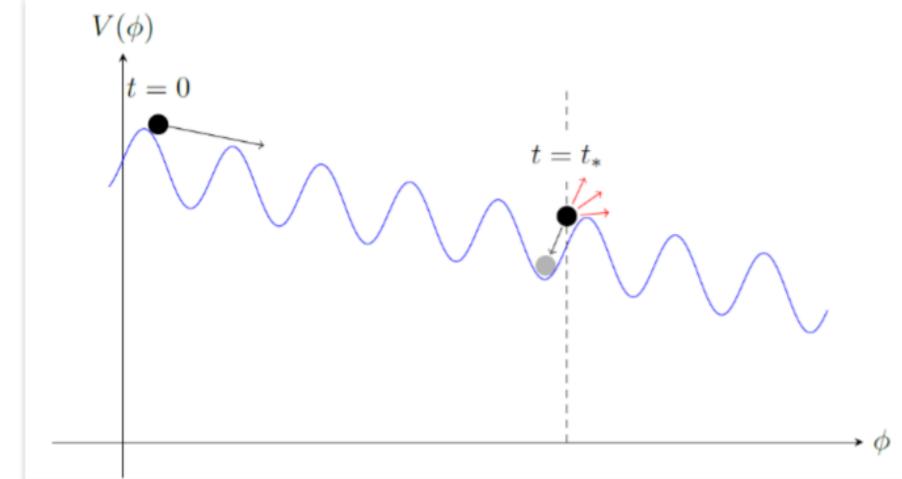
● **colliders**

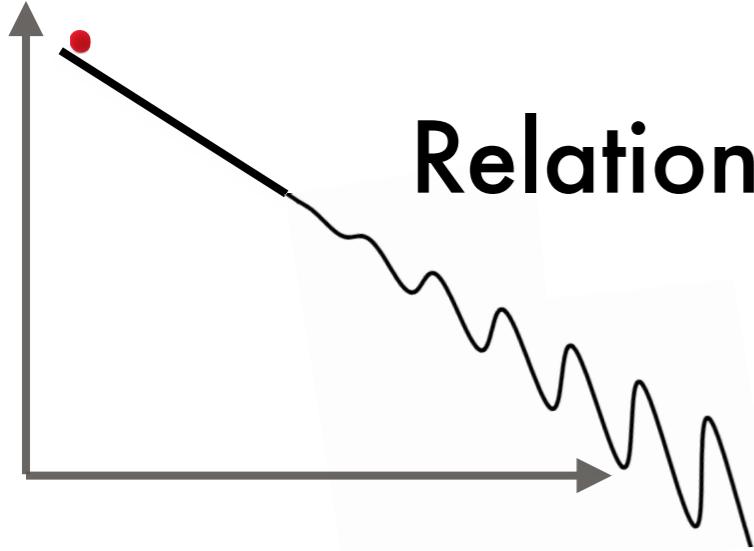
$$pp \rightarrow Z 2\gamma$$

$$pp \rightarrow 3W$$

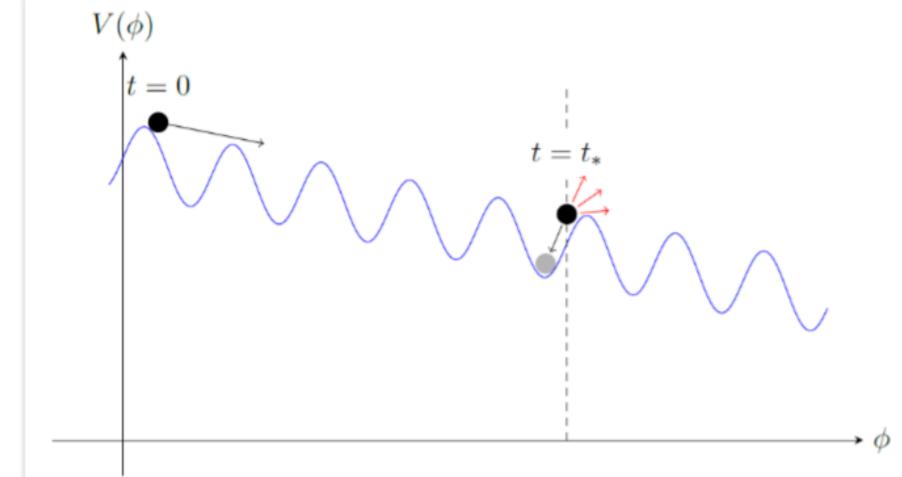


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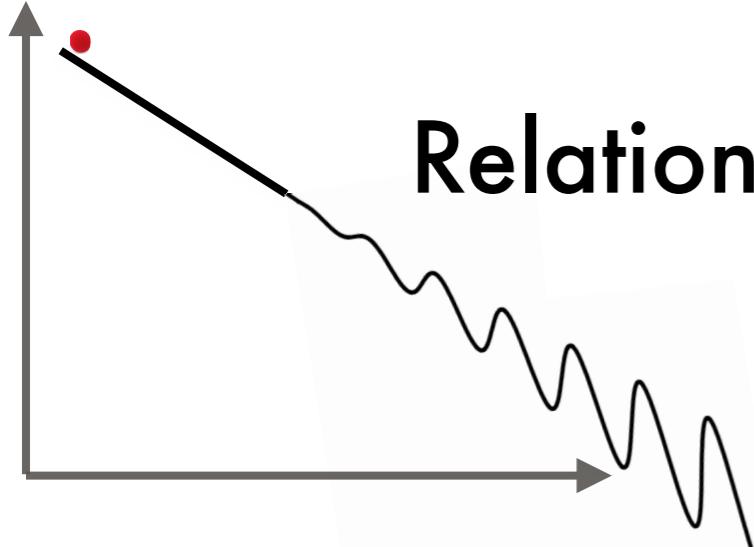


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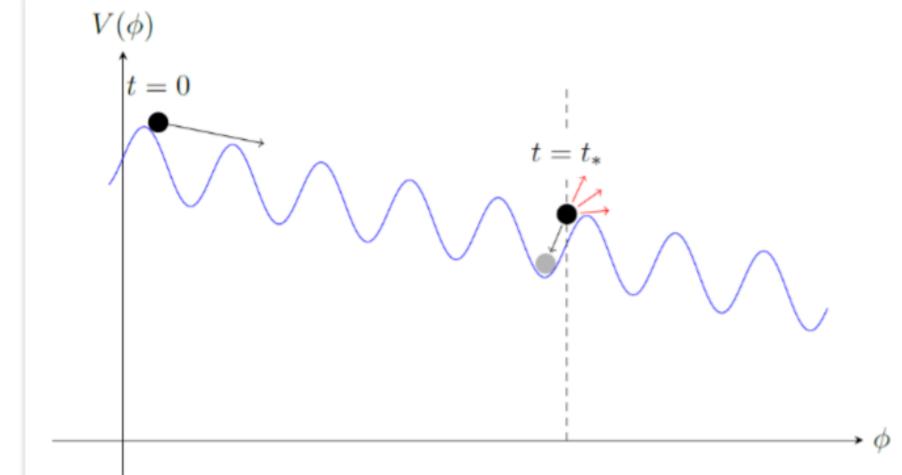


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new pheno
probes

- Switches the focus to very light weakly coupled states
- Higgs portal phenomenology for the original relaxion
- ALP phenomenology for the thermal relaxion

BACKUP

How Atomic Clock experiments work?

Arvanitaki, Dimopoulos, Van Tilburg

$$\phi(t, \vec{x}) = \phi_0 \cos(m_\phi t - \vec{k}_\phi \cdot \vec{x} + \dots)$$

$$\phi_0 \approx \frac{1}{m_\phi} \sqrt{2\xi_\phi \rho_{DM}}$$

Fluctuations on the fundamental constant of Nature

The mass controls the frequency

$$\frac{\delta(f_A/f_B)}{(f_A/f_B)} \simeq [d_{m_e} - d_g + M_A d_{\hat{m}} + d_e(\xi_A - \xi_B)] \kappa \phi(t)$$

1 sec $\frac{2\pi}{m_\phi}$ 3.25 years

$$\Delta\tau < \frac{2\pi}{m_\phi} < \tau_{\text{int}} \longrightarrow m_\phi \lesssim 10^{-15} \text{ eV}$$

Backreaction from NP sector

$$\mathcal{L} = -y_1 e^{i \frac{2n\phi}{f_{\text{UV}}}} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} h_\alpha L_\beta N - y_2 h^{\dagger\alpha} L_\alpha^c N - m_L \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha L_\beta^c - \frac{m_N}{2} NN + \text{h.c.}$$



$$V_{\text{CW}}(\phi) \simeq -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} m_L m_N y_1 y_2 |h^0|^2 \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{f}\right) \log\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{\tilde{m}^2}\right), \quad \text{VS} \quad V_{\text{CW}}^{\text{2-loop}}(\phi) \sim -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} m_L m_N y_1 y_2 \left(\frac{\Lambda_c^2}{16\pi^2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{f}\right)$$

screen the Higgs loop

$$\Delta \mathcal{L} = m_D NN^c - \frac{m_{N^c}}{2} N^c N^c \longrightarrow m_N \approx \frac{m_D^2}{m_{N^c}}$$

no quadratic divergences above m_{N^c} $m_{N^c} \approx m_L \approx m_N \lesssim m_{N^c} \approx 4\pi v$

Backreaction from neutrino sector

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_N^{\text{br}} &= y_{jk}^D \cdot \left(\frac{\hat{\Phi}_0}{\Lambda_n} \right)^{|[N_j] + [N_k^c]| - 1} \hat{\Phi}_0 N_j N_k^c + \frac{1}{2} M_{jk}^M N_j N_k + \text{h.c.} \\ &\supseteq M_{jk}^D \cdot U_0^{[N_j] + [N_k^c]} N_j N_k^c + \frac{1}{2} M_{jk}^M N_j N_k + \text{h.c.},\end{aligned}$$

The potentials:

$$V_D \sim \frac{\text{Tr}(M^D M^{D\dagger} \bar{M}^M \bar{M}^{M\dagger})}{16\pi^2} \log \frac{m_{\text{clock}}^2}{M^2}$$

$$V_{\text{br}} \sim H^\dagger H \left[\frac{\text{Tr}(Y^n M^{D\dagger} \bar{M}^M \bar{M}^{M\dagger} M^D Y^{n\dagger})}{16\pi^2 M^2} + \dots \right]$$

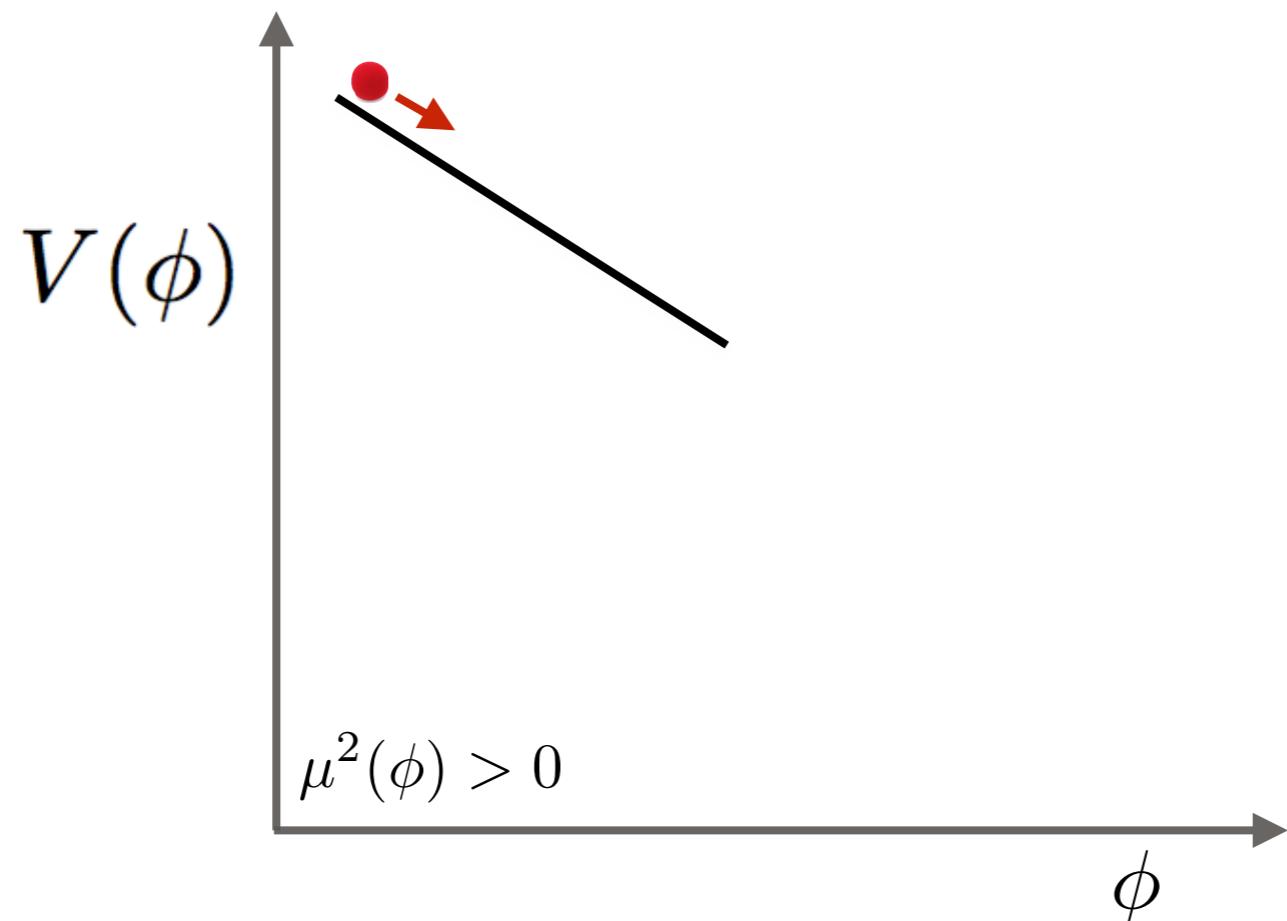
The trick: $V_D < V_{\text{br}}$ \dashrightarrow M_D diagonal

The consequence: $\Lambda_{\text{br}} \sim \left(\frac{y_N^2 v^2 M^2}{16\pi^2} \right)^{1/4} \sim \left(\frac{m_\nu M^3}{16\pi^2} \right)^{1/4} \lesssim 10 \text{ MeV}.$

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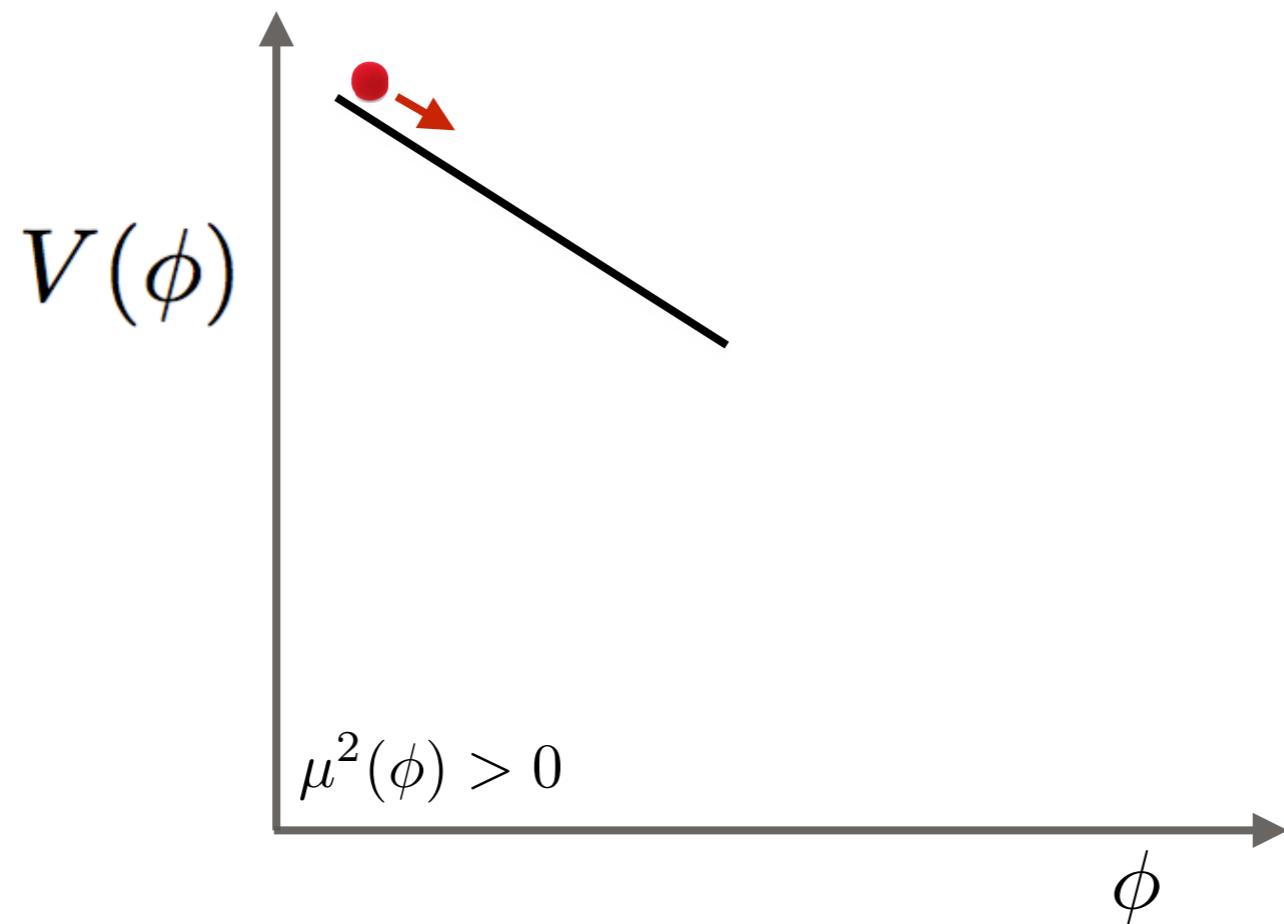
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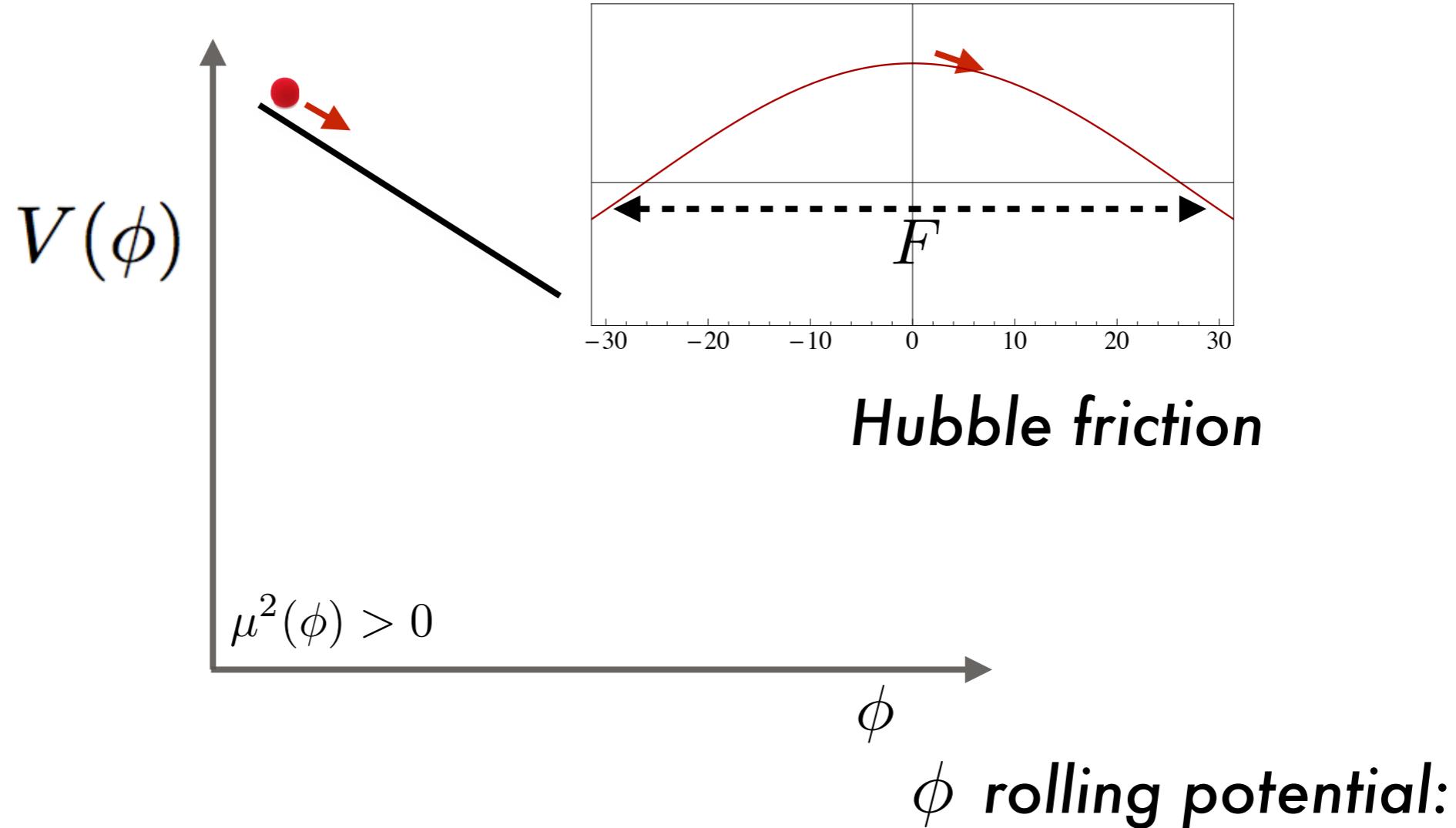
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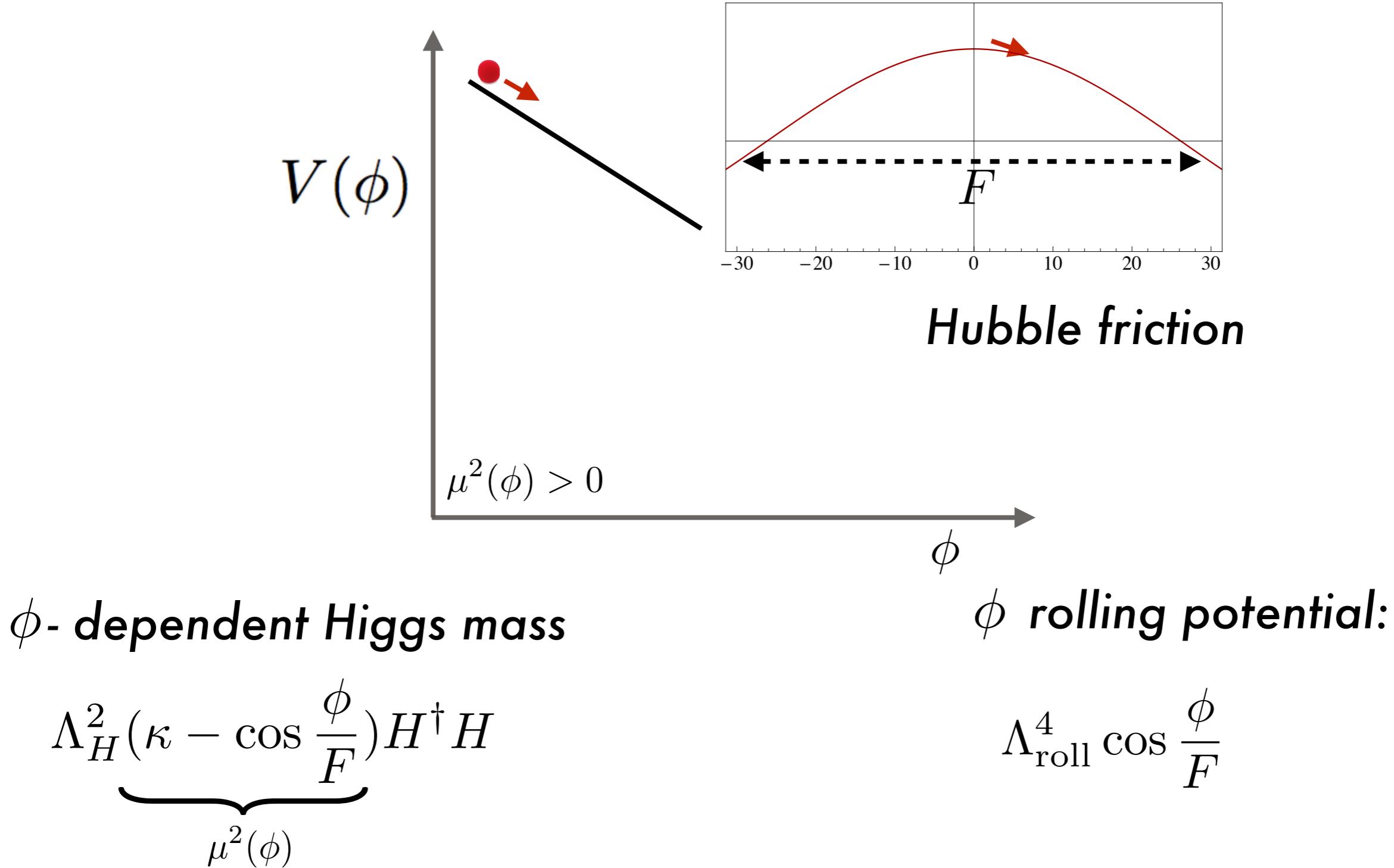


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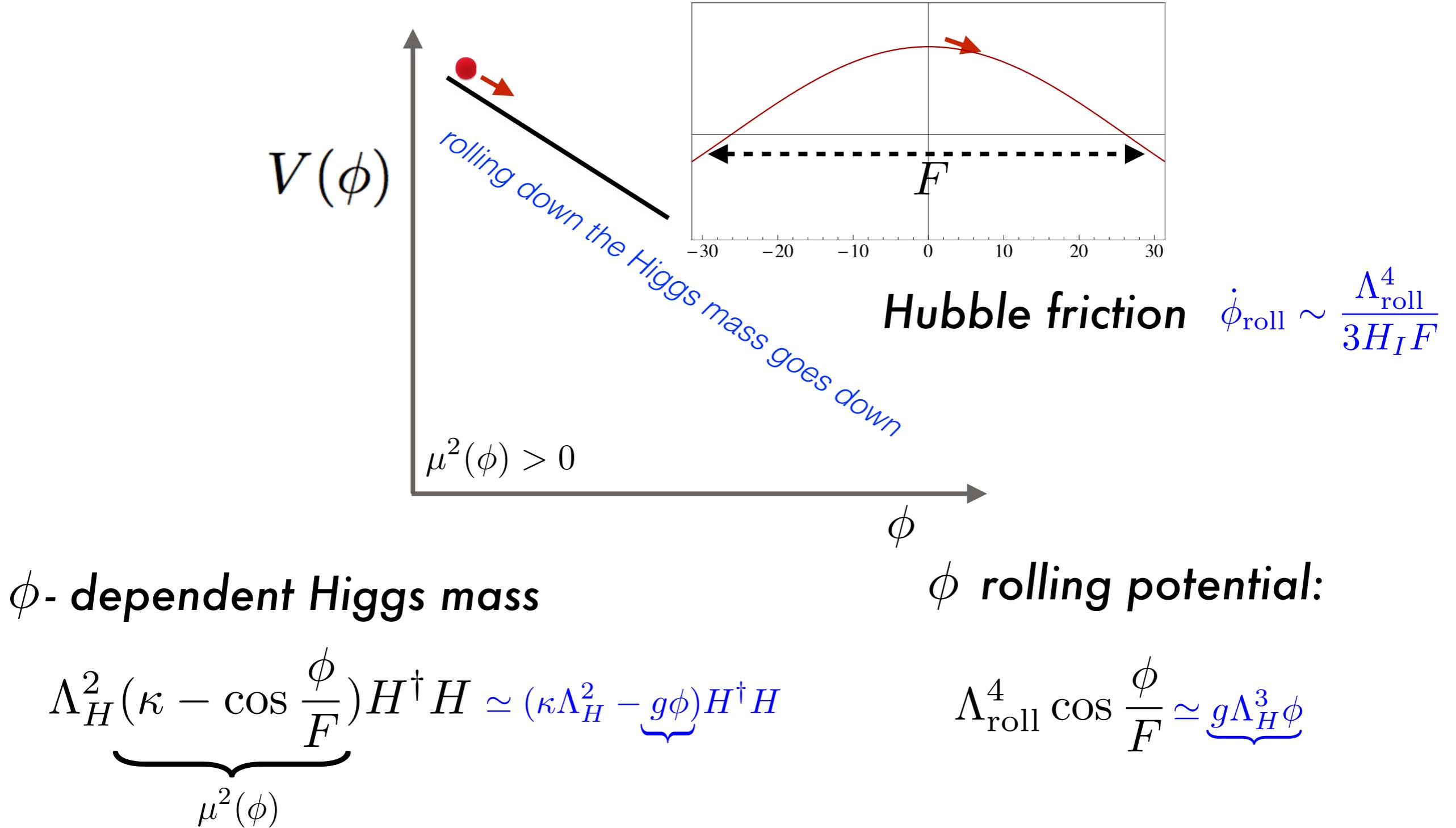
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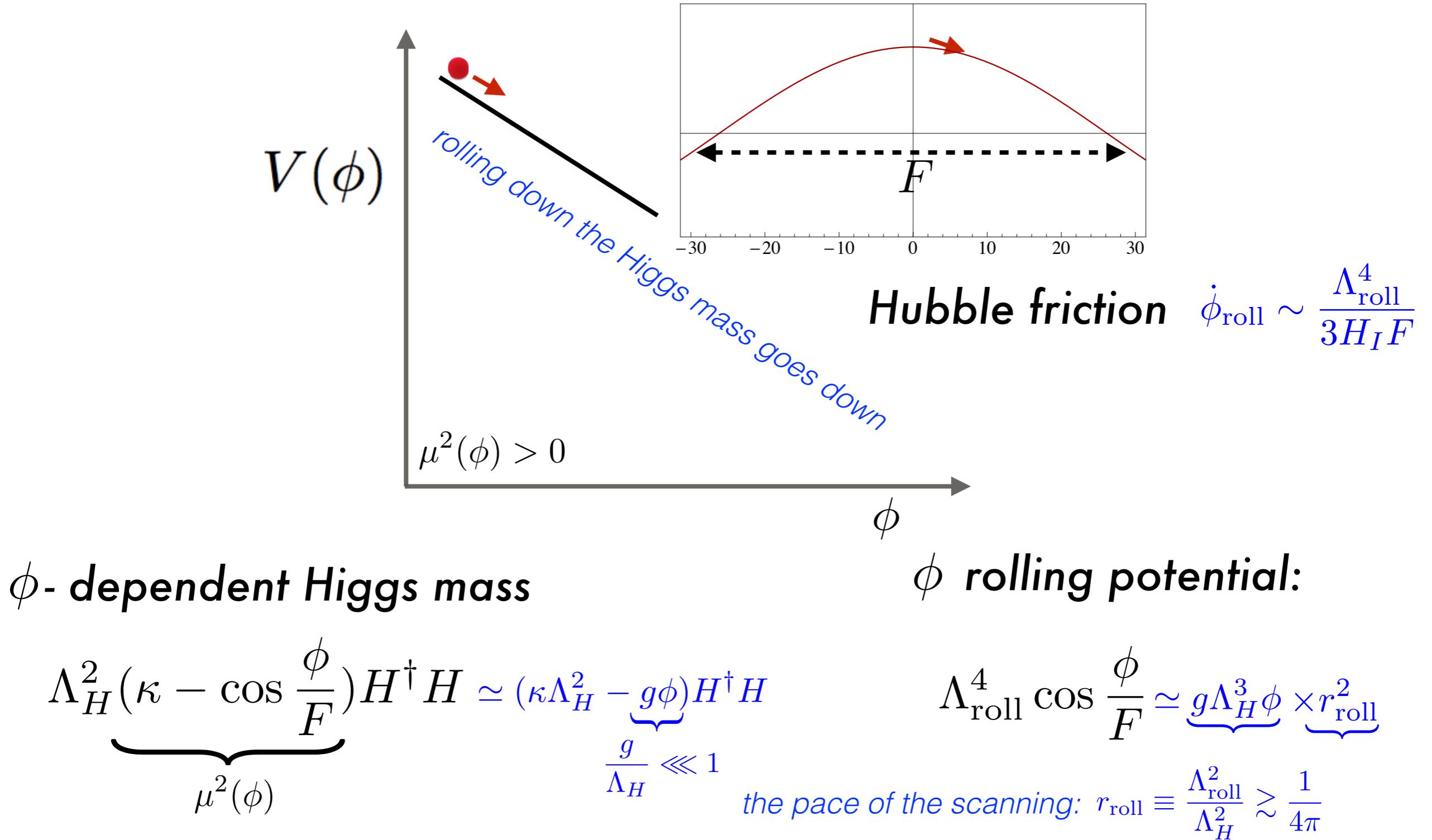
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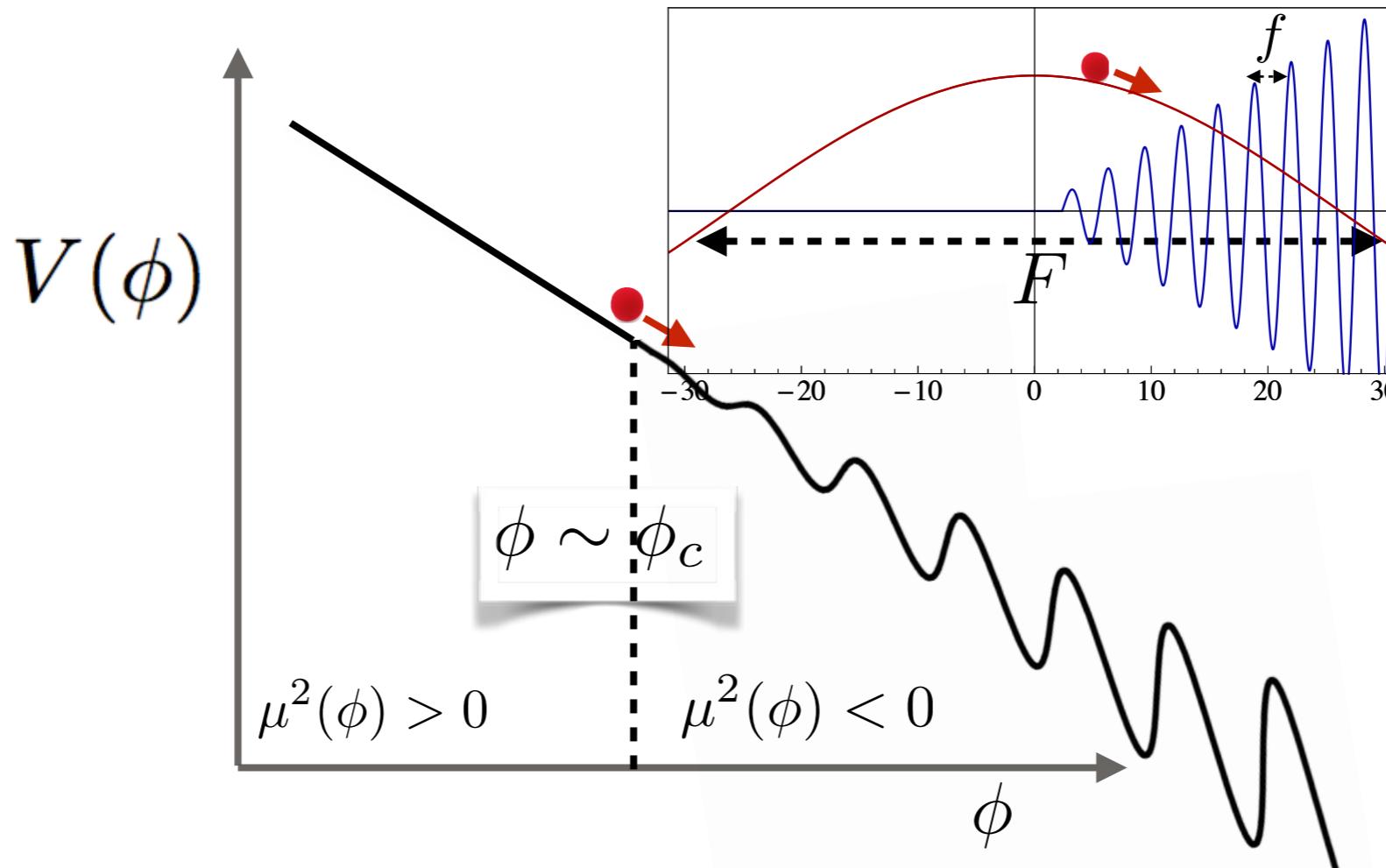
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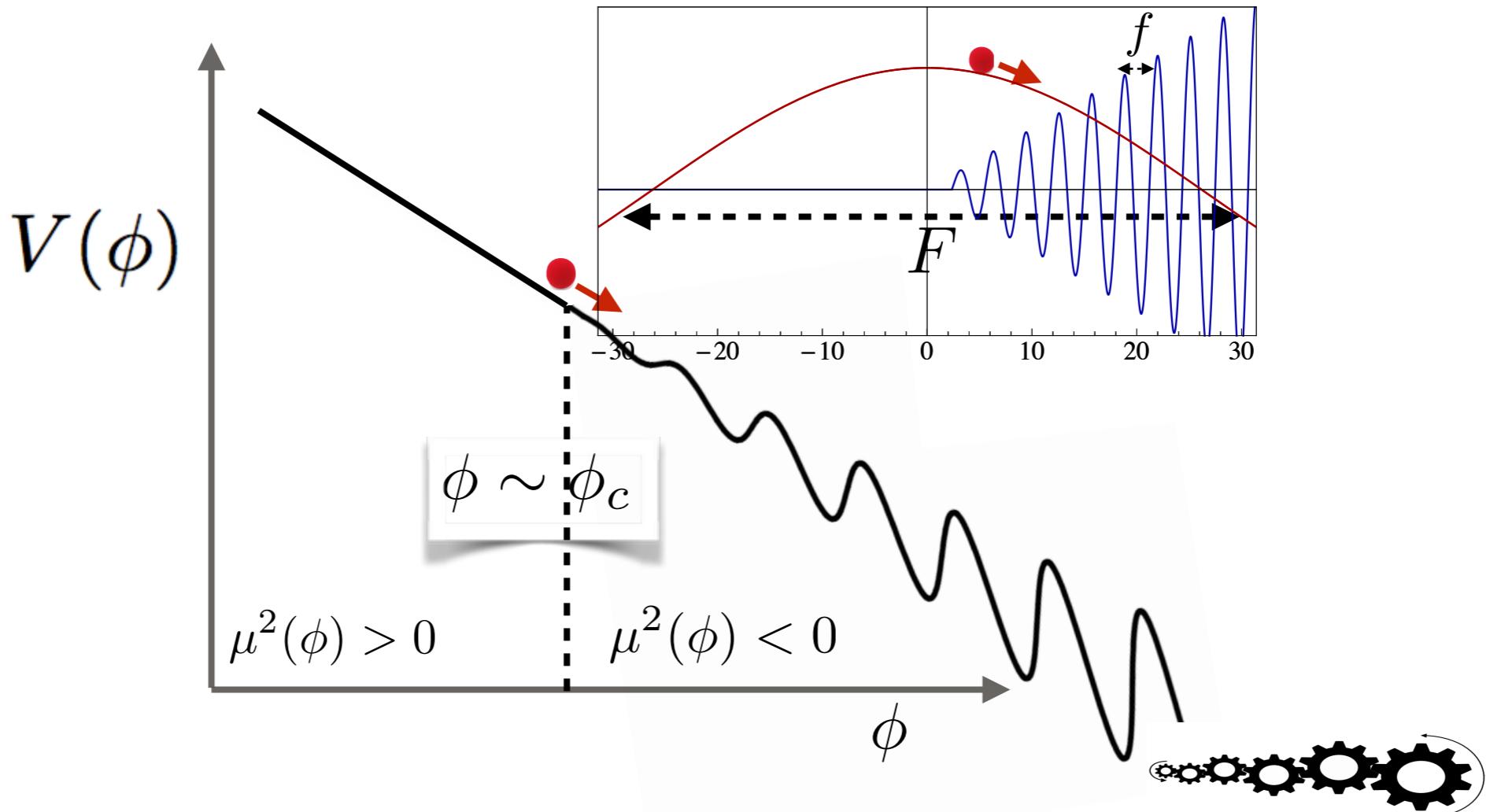
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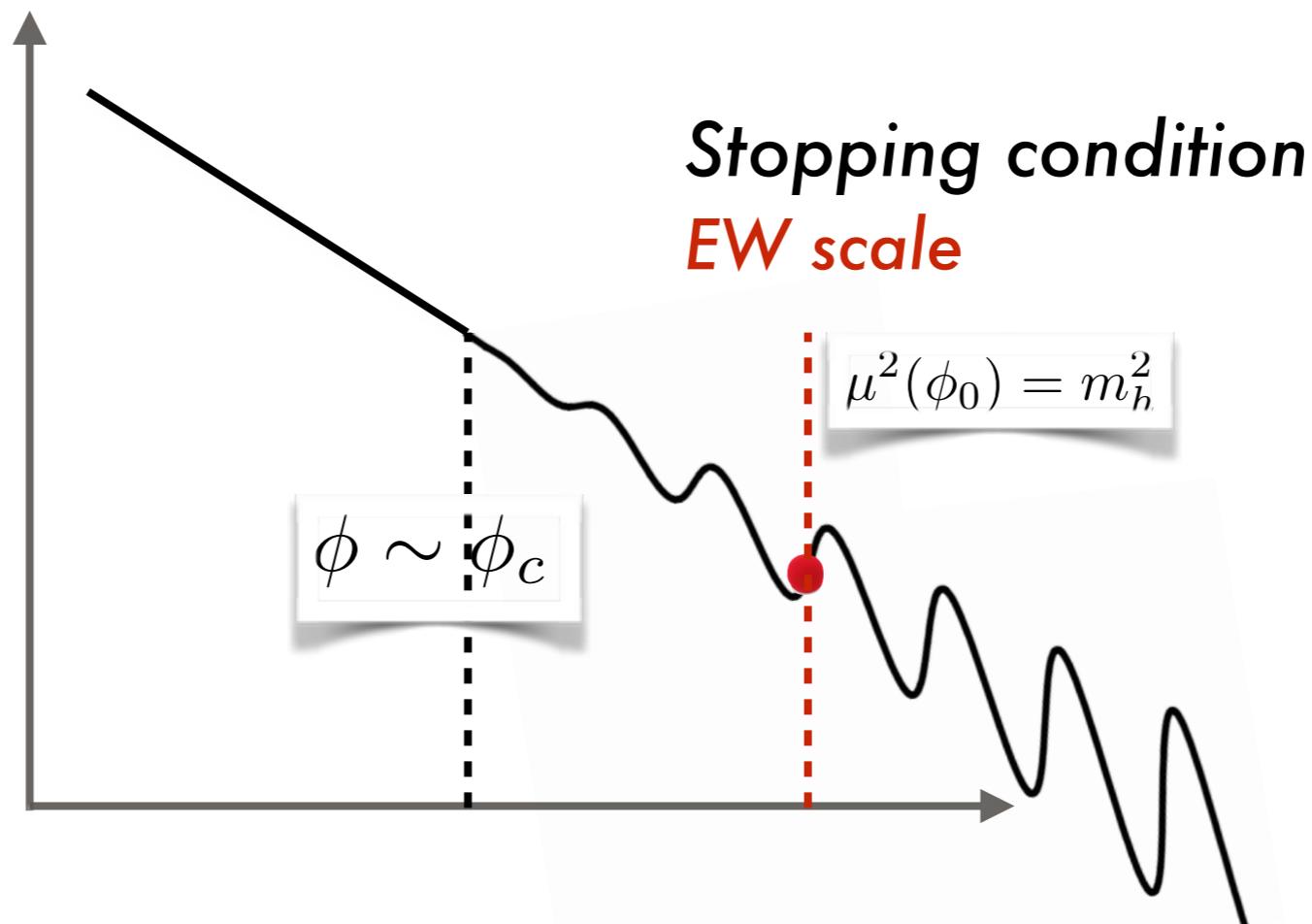
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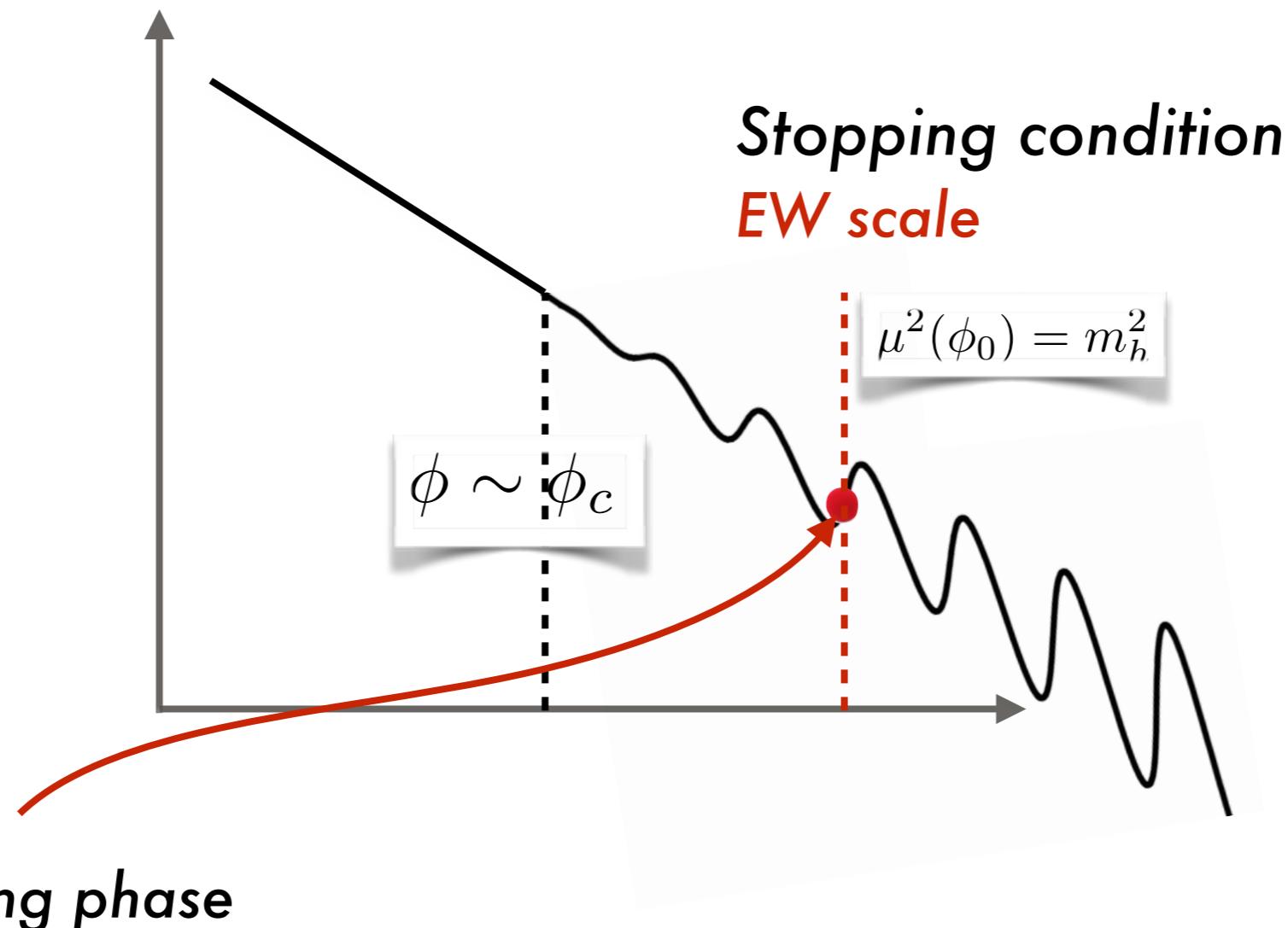
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$$f/F \simeq \underbrace{Q}_{\text{ }} \ll 1$$

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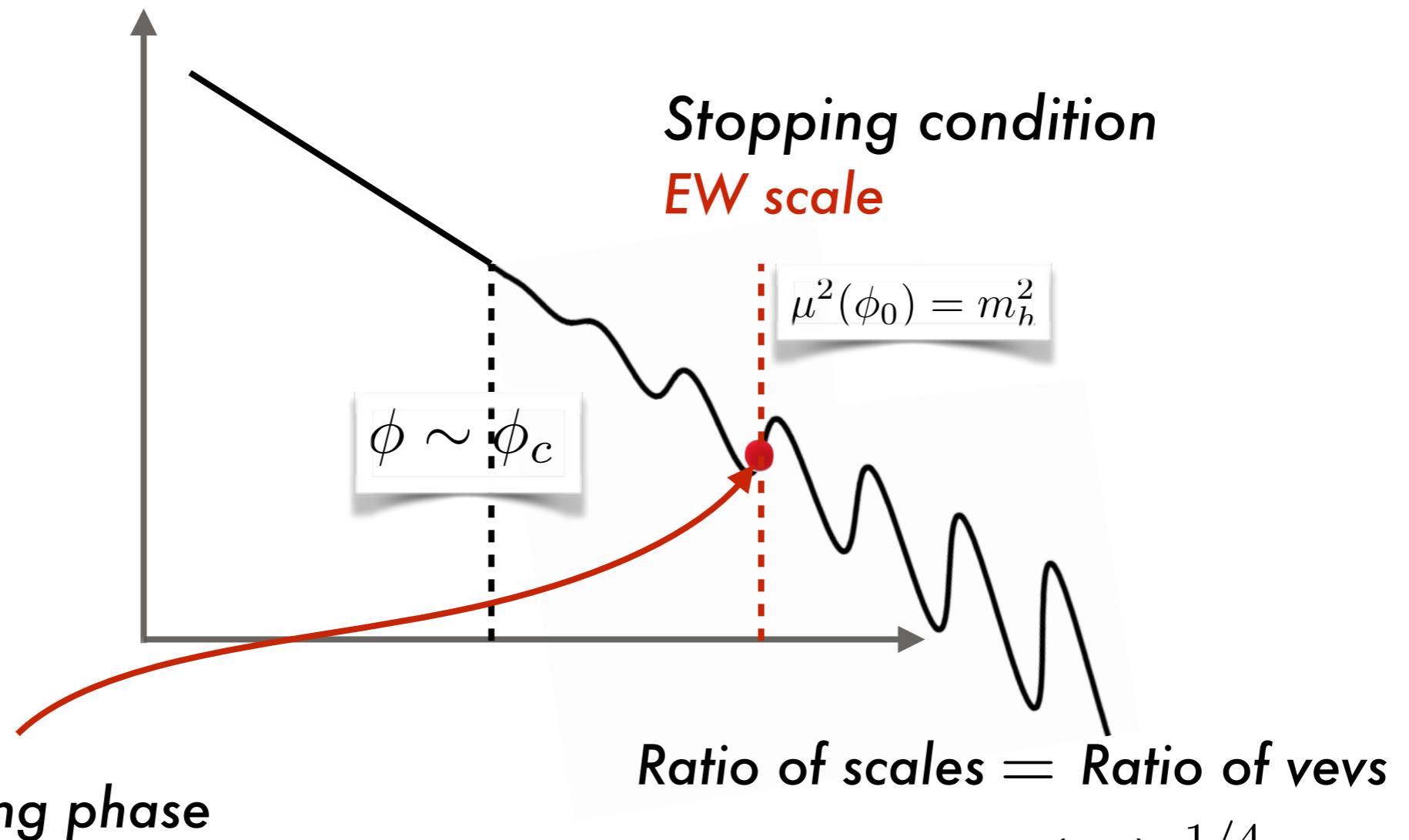


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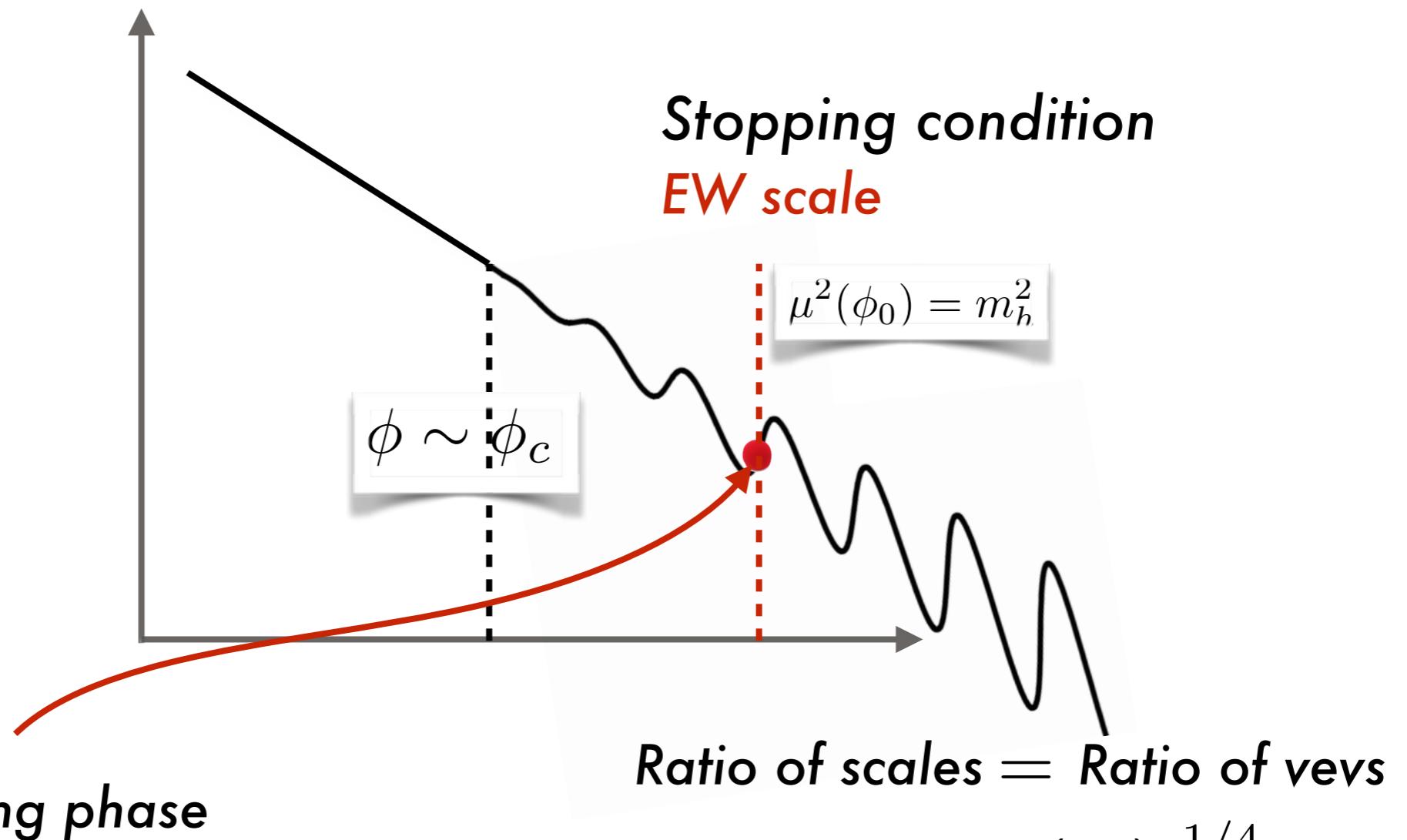
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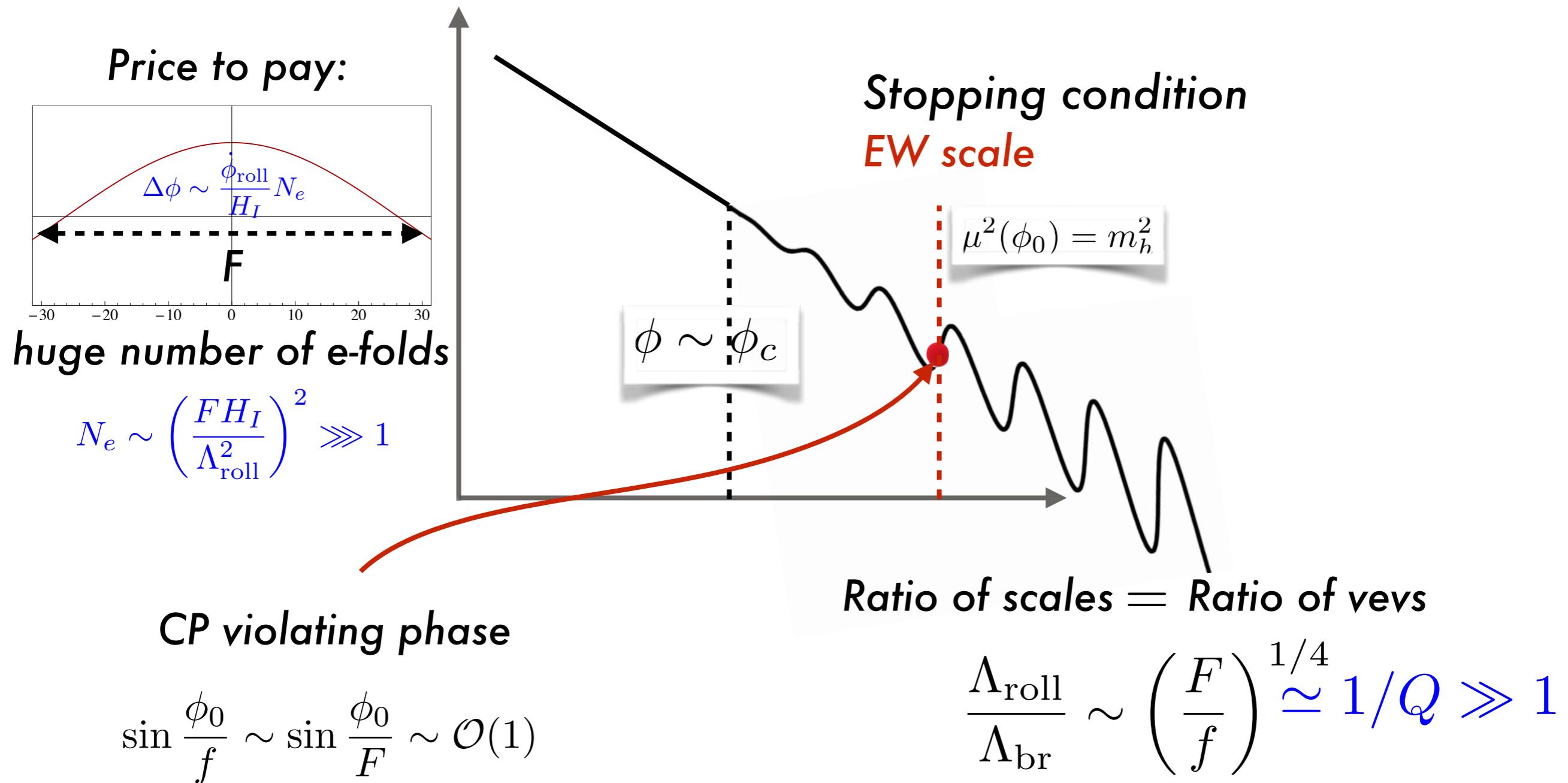
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