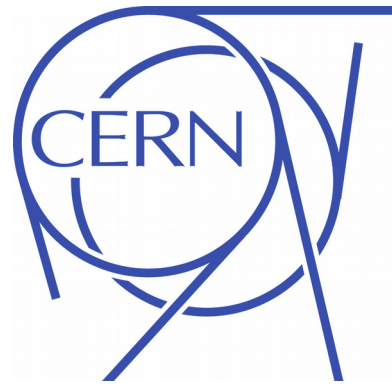


# Non-Unitarity & Sterile Neutrinos at neutrino oscillation experiments

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at neutrino experiments**

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# Outline

- New Physics Scale.
- Neutrino Oscillations vs New Physics
- Parameterizations: Non Unitarity, Sterile neutrinos, NSI.
- Bounds and future sensitivity.
- Conclusions

The mechanism responsible  
for the generation of  
light neutrino masses



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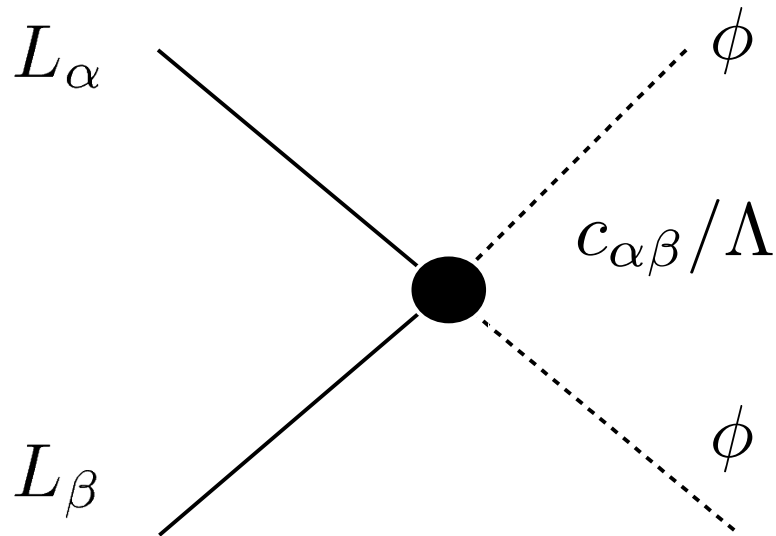
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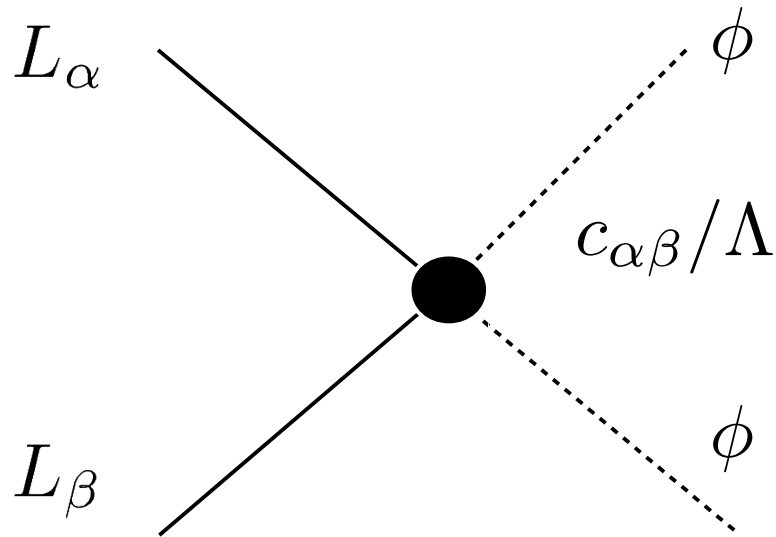
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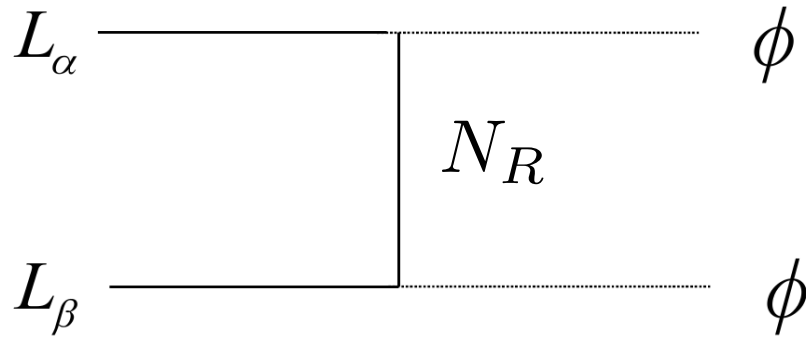


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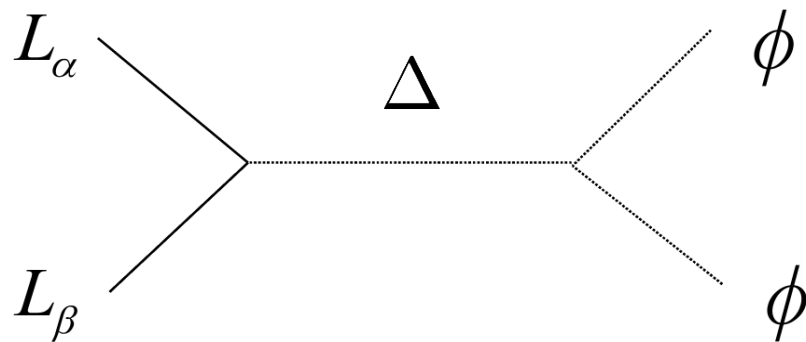
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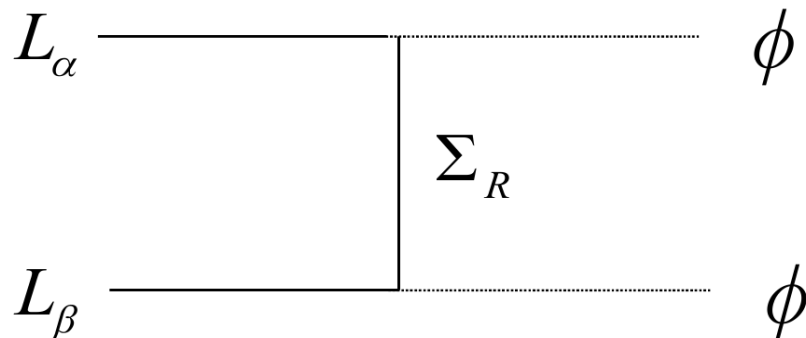
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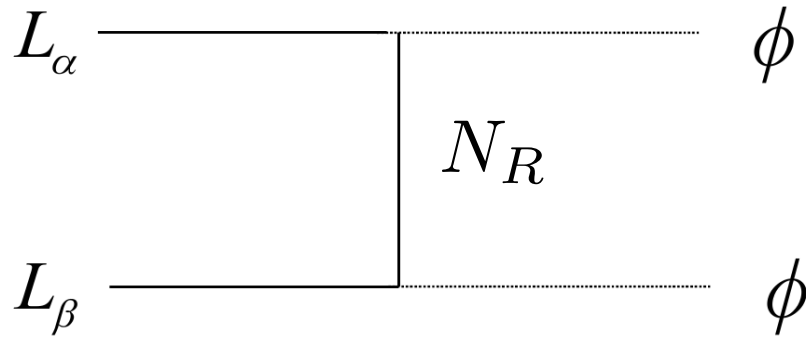


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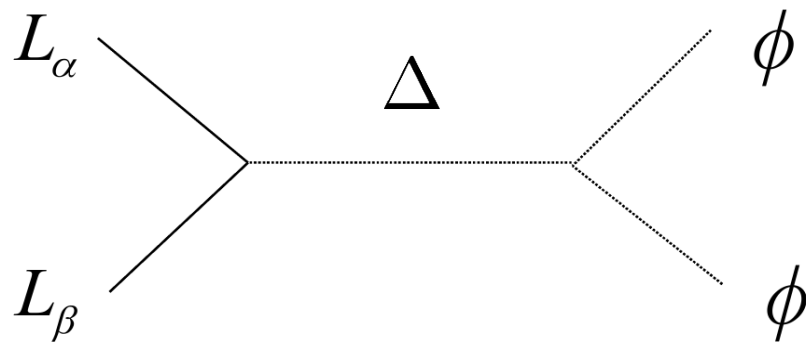


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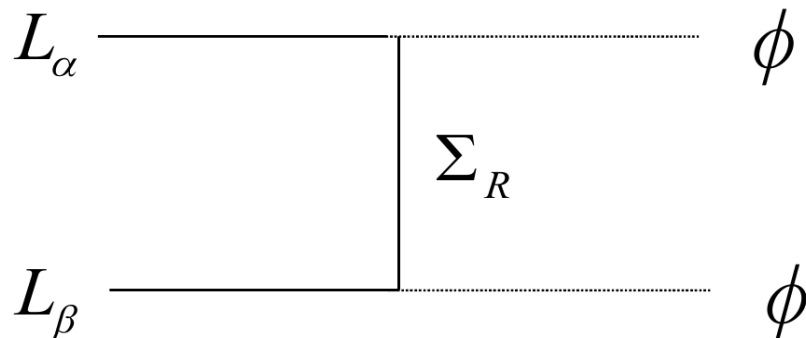
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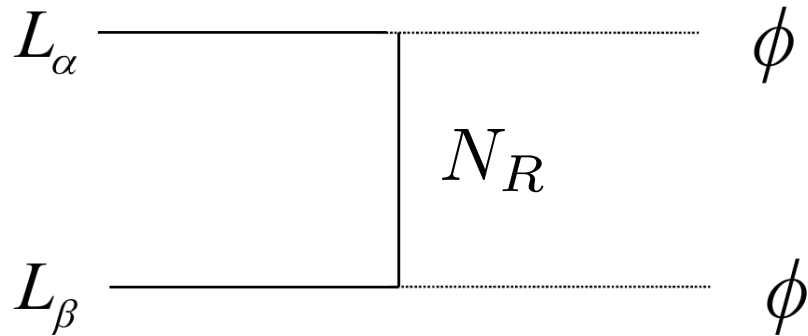


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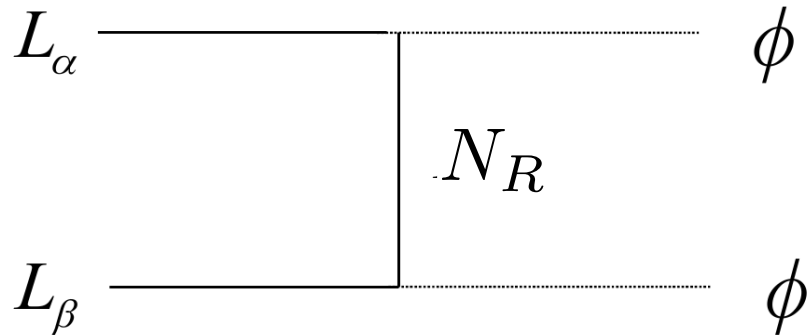
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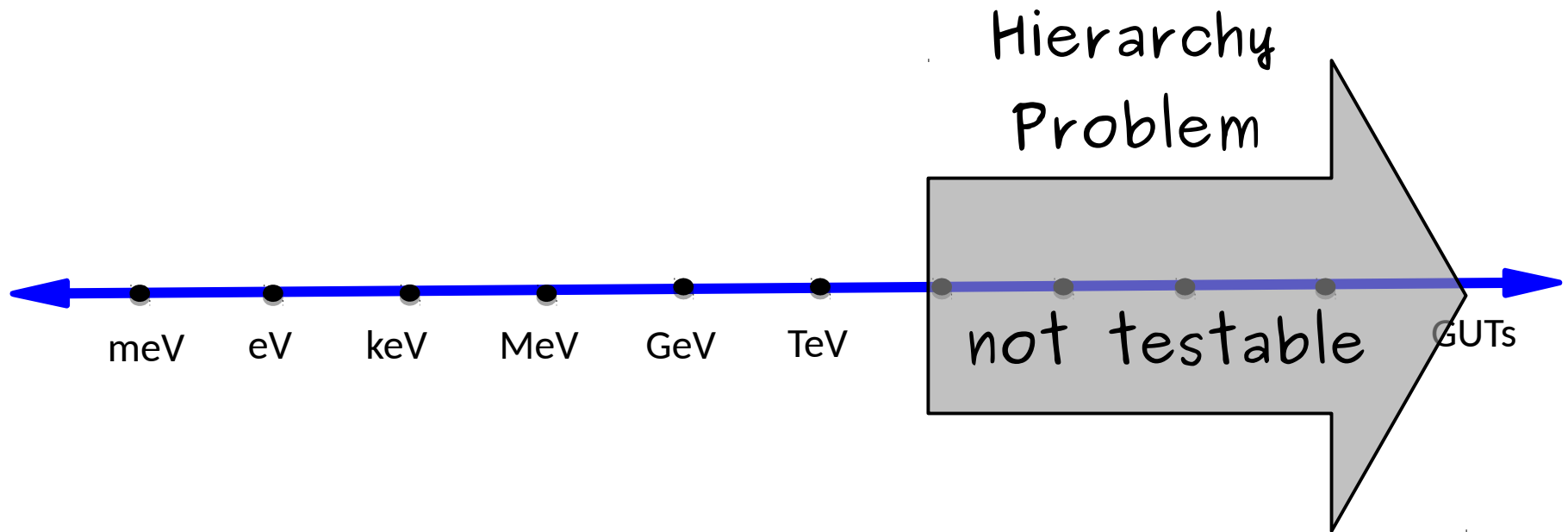
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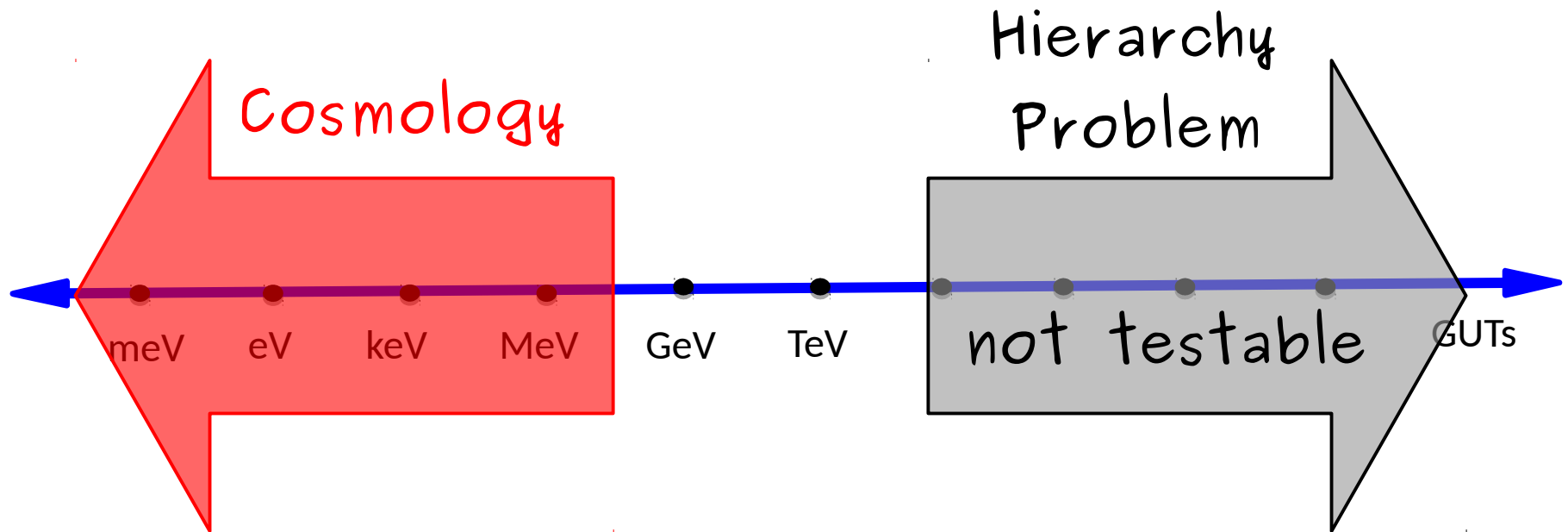
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New Physics Scale ( $m_\nu \sim Y^2 v^2 / M$ )

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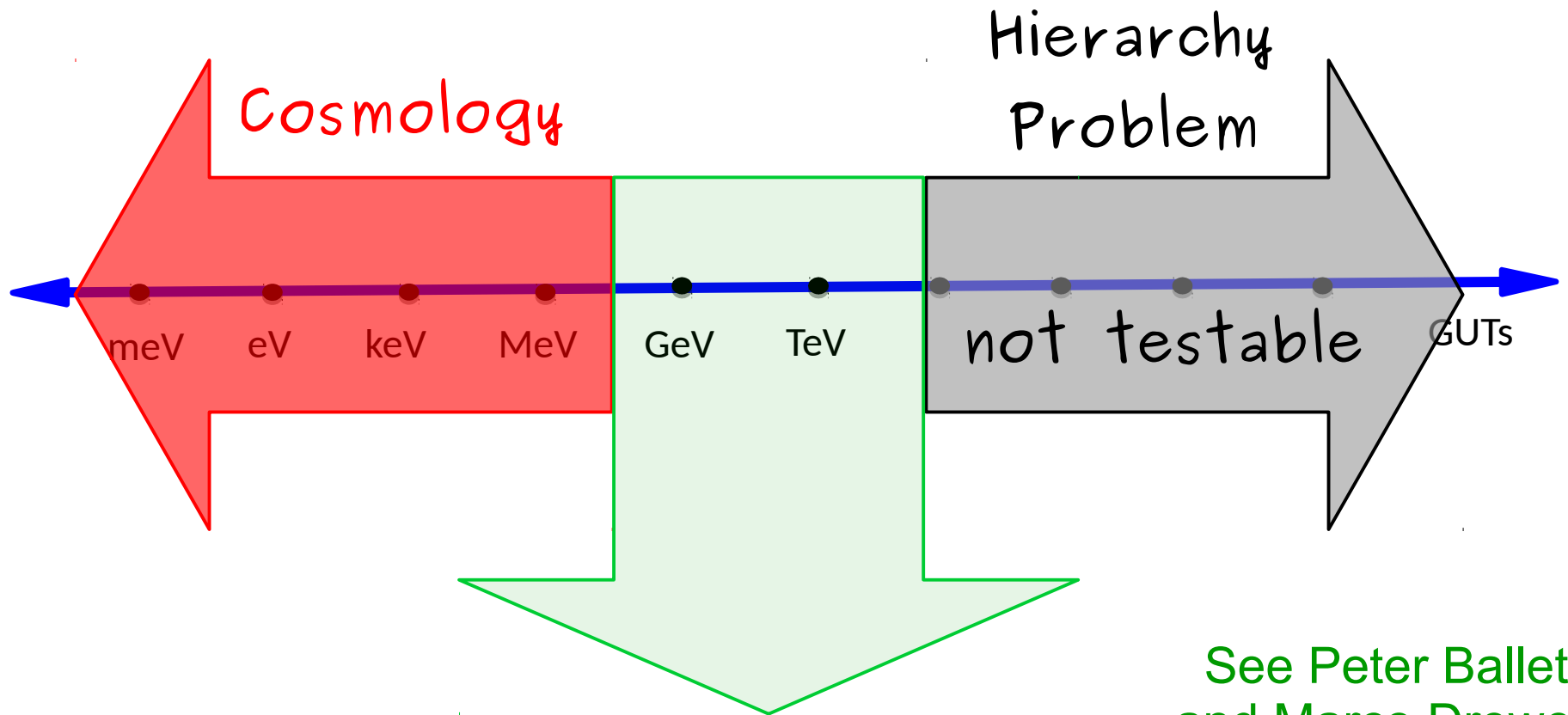


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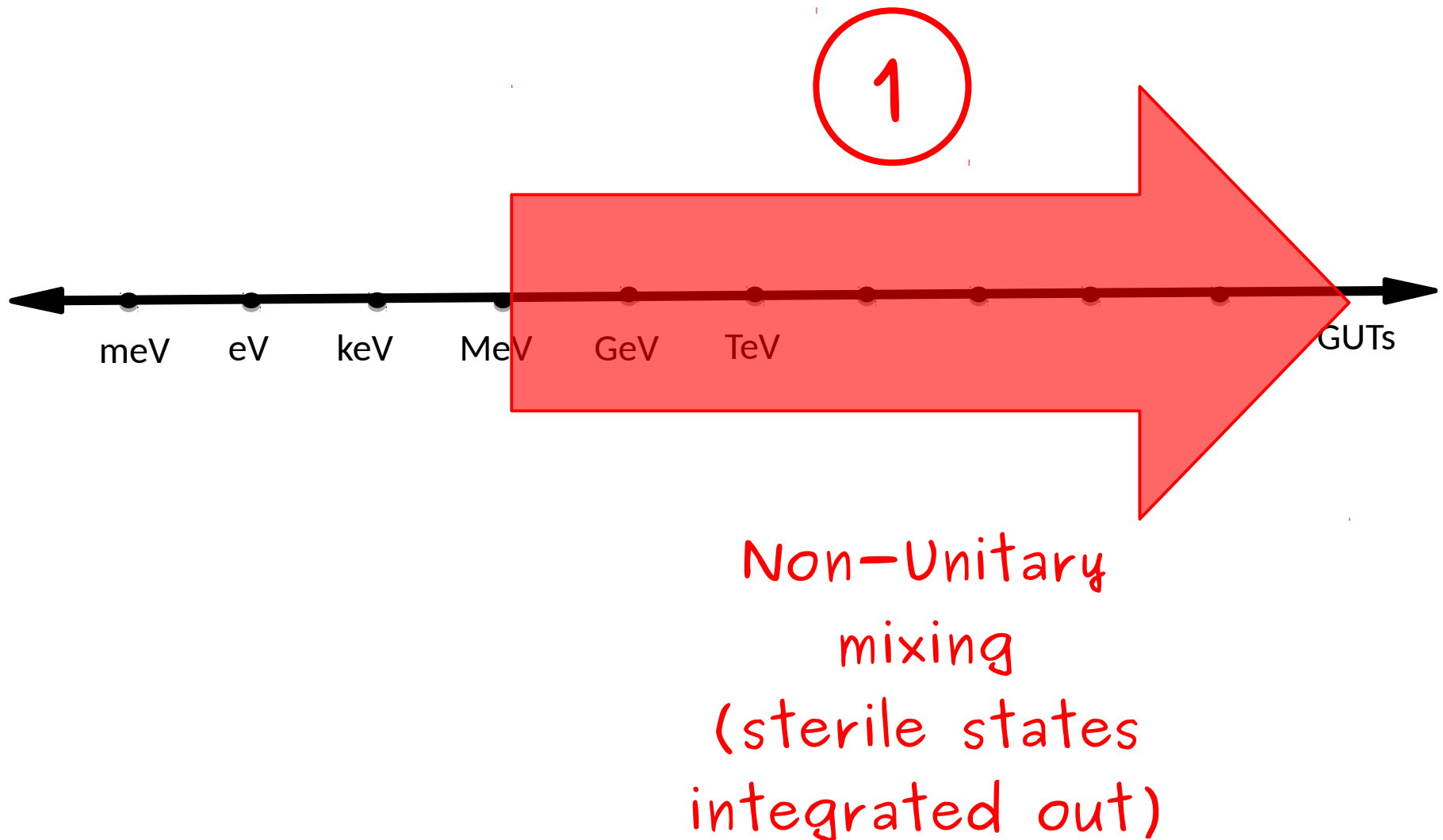
See Peter Ballet  
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LFV, EW precision analysis,  
beam dump experiments, LHC, FCC...

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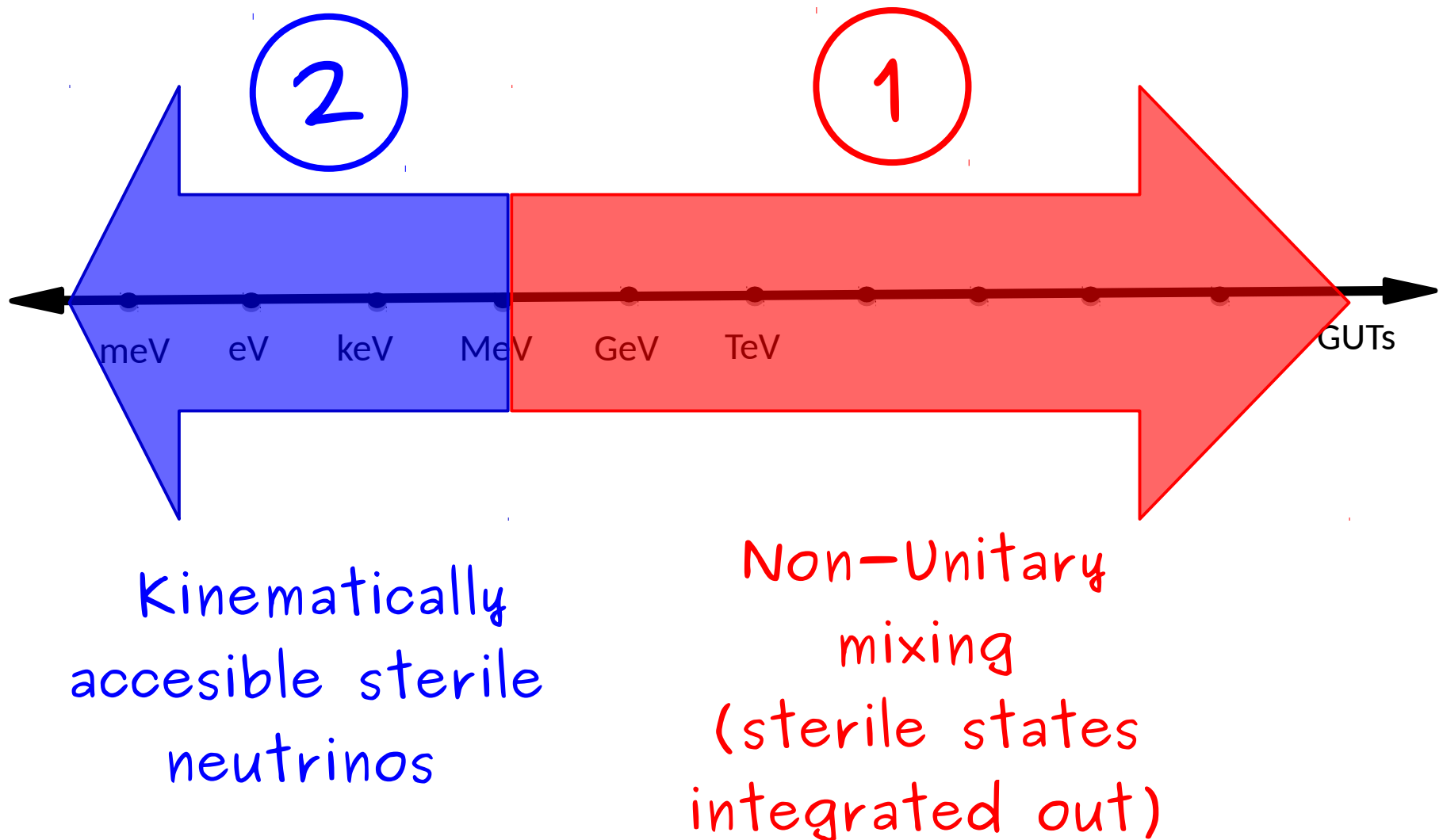


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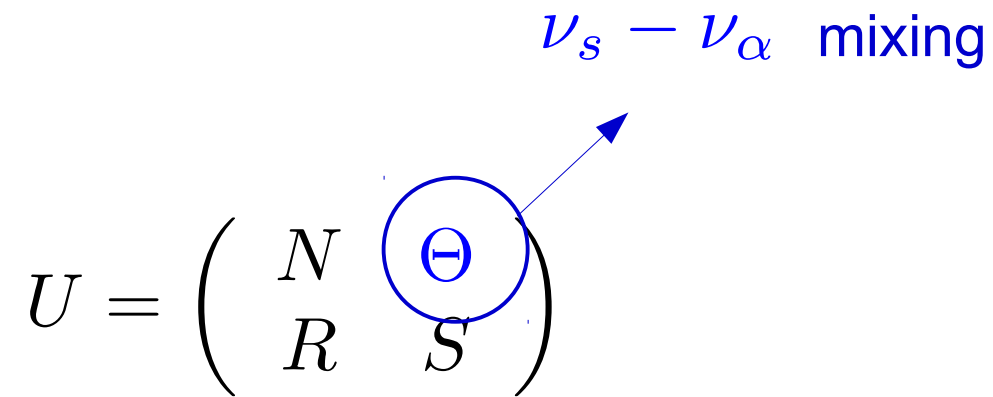
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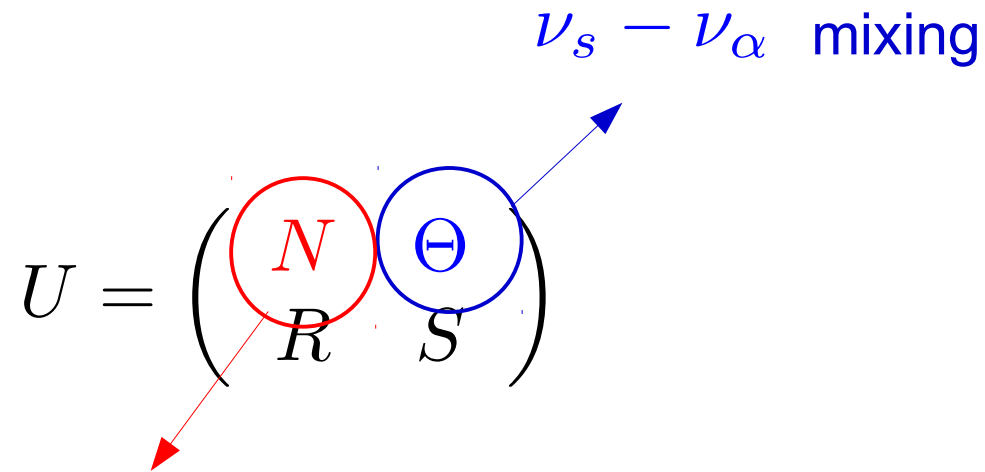
$\nu_s - \nu_\alpha$  mixing

The diagram shows the unitary matrix U partitioned into four blocks: N (top-left), R (bottom-left), S (bottom-right), and Theta (top-right). The Theta block is circled in blue. A blue arrow points from the circled Theta block to the text "nu\_s - nu\_alpha mixing" located above and to the right of the matrix.

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Deviation from unitarity of the PMNS matrix

Schechter, Valle 1980

Langacker, London 1988

Antusch, Biggio, Fernandez-Martinez, Gavela, JLP 2006

# General Parameterizations

- Hermitian parameterization

$$N = (I - \eta) U'$$

Deviation from unitarity

$$\eta = \begin{pmatrix} \eta_{ee} & \eta_{e\mu} & \eta_{e\tau} \\ \eta_{e\mu}^* & \eta_{\mu\mu} & \eta_{\mu\tau} \\ \eta_{e\tau}^* & \eta_{\mu\tau}^* & \eta_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\Theta\Theta^\dagger}{2}$$

Unitarity matrix  
(standard unitary PMNS  
matrix  
up to small corrections)

Broncano, Gavela, Jenkins 2003

Fernandez-Martinez, Gavela, JLP, Yasuda 2007

# General Parameterizations

- Triangular parameterization

$$N = TU = (I - \alpha)U$$

Deviation from unitarity

$$\alpha = (1 - T) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{ee} & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha_{\mu e} & \alpha_{\mu\mu} & 0 \\ \alpha_{\tau e} & \alpha_{\tau\mu} & \alpha_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Mapping

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$$U = U' + O(\eta)$$

$$\theta_{23} - \theta'_{23} = -\operatorname{Re}(\eta_{\mu\tau}) + \tan\theta_{13} \operatorname{Re}(c_{23}e^{i\delta_{\text{CP}}}\eta_{e\mu} - s_{23}e^{i\delta_{\text{CP}}}\eta_{e\tau}),$$

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# NSI $\leftrightarrow$ Non Unitarity & Sterile $\nu$ mapping

- NSI in propagation (matter effects)

$$H = \frac{1}{2E} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta m_{21}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \Delta m_{31}^2 \end{pmatrix} + V_{CC} U^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_{ee} & \epsilon_{e\mu} & \epsilon_{e\tau} \\ \epsilon_{e\mu}^* & \epsilon_{\mu\mu} & \epsilon_{\mu\tau} \\ \epsilon_{e\tau}^* & \epsilon_{\mu\tau}^* & \epsilon_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix} U,$$

- Mapping

$$\epsilon_{ee} = -\alpha_{ee}, \quad \epsilon_{\mu\mu} = \alpha_{\mu\mu}, \quad \epsilon_{\tau\tau} = \alpha_{\tau\tau}$$

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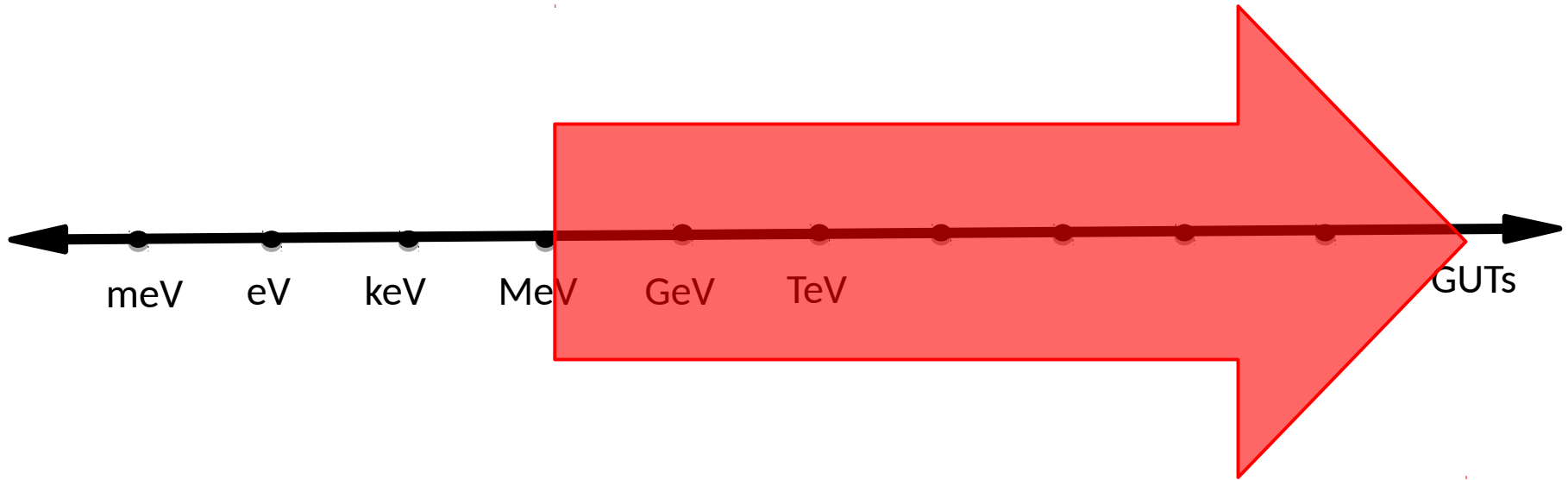
$$P_{\alpha\beta} = | [(1 + \epsilon^d)US^0U^\dagger(1 + \epsilon^s)]_{\beta\alpha} |^2$$

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$$\epsilon_{\beta\alpha}^{s*} = \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^d = -\alpha_{\alpha\beta}.$$

Normalization should be considered (ND affected)

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(Extra states  
integrated out)



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Analogous to standard probability just doing  
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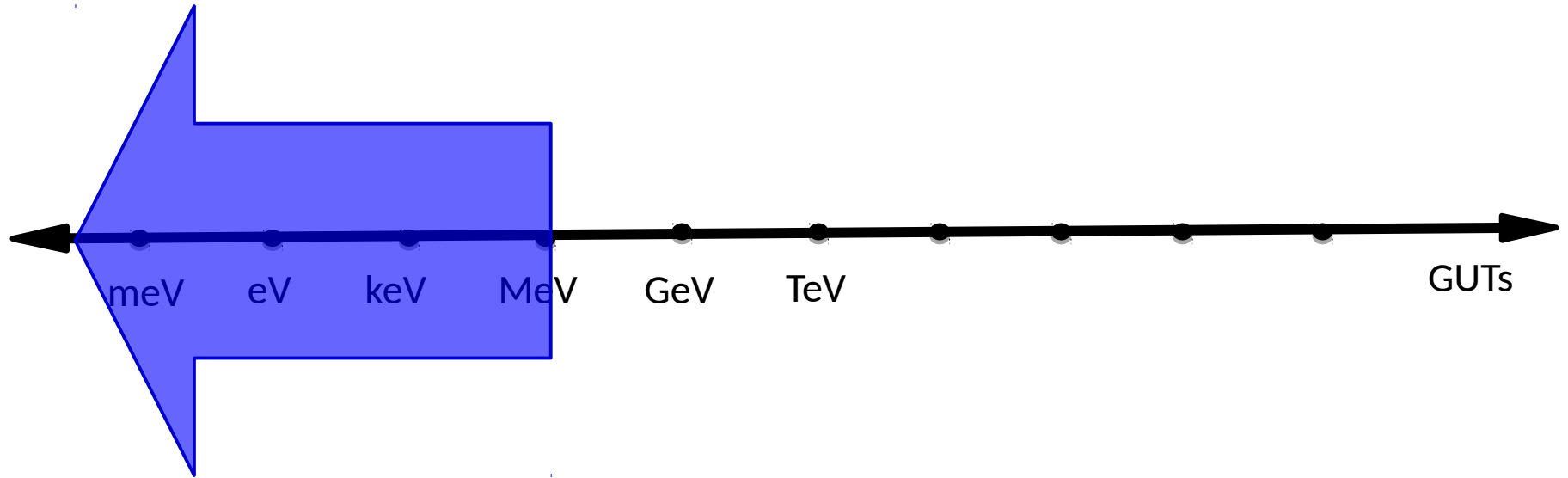
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$$\mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta} \approx |(NN^\dagger)_{\beta\alpha}|^2 \approx |\alpha_{\alpha\beta}|^2$$

ZERO  
distance  
effect!

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Kinematically  
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## ② Kinematically accessible sterile $\nu$ Oscillations in VACUUM

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(i) Cross terms average to zero

(ii) Sterile oscillation average to constant value, but amplitude subleading

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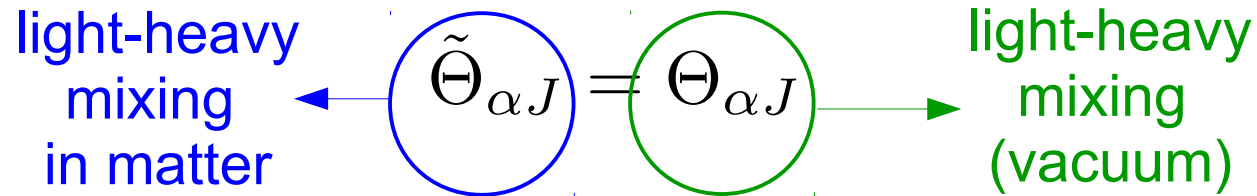
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See Joachim Kopp's talk yesterday

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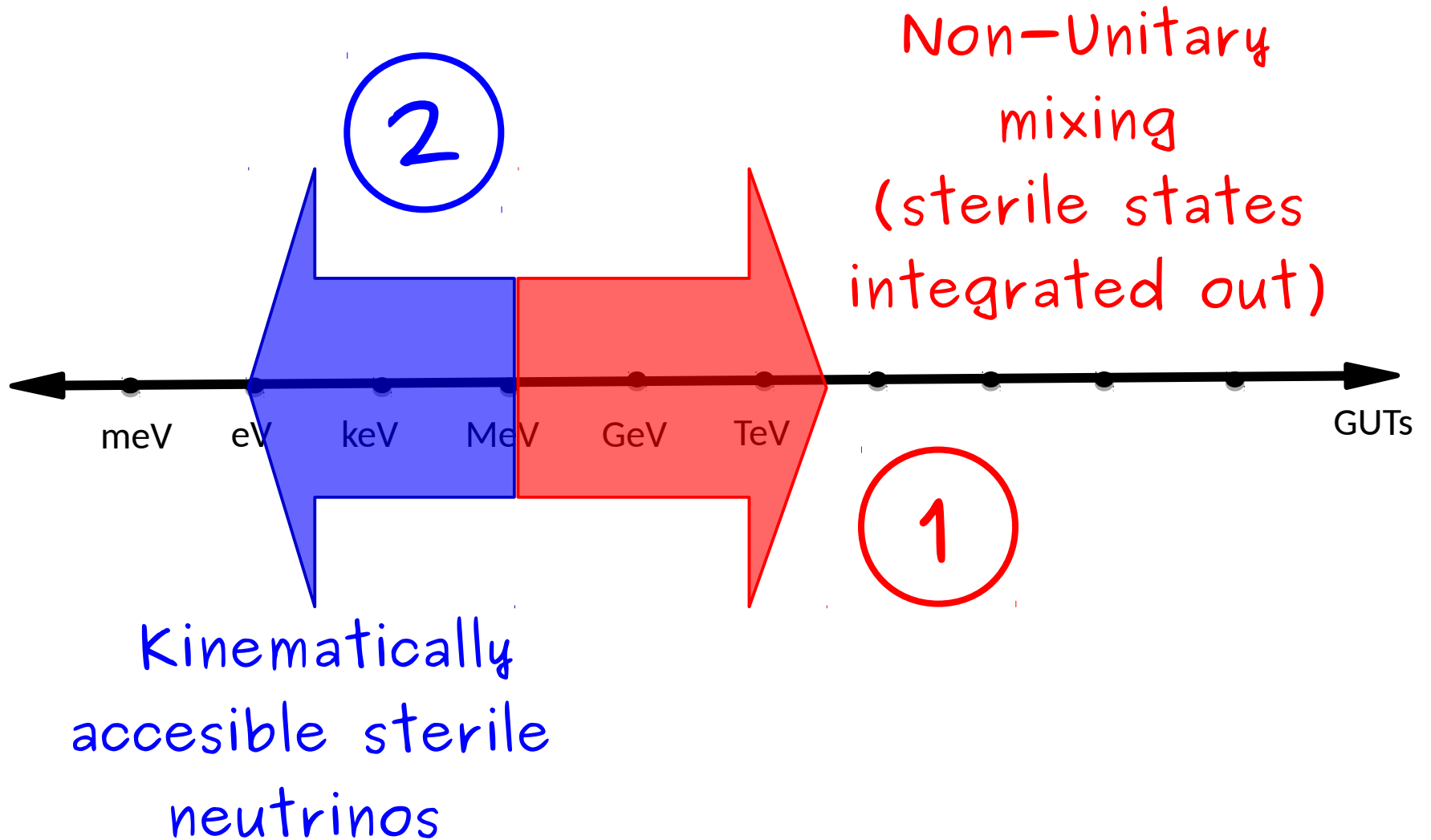
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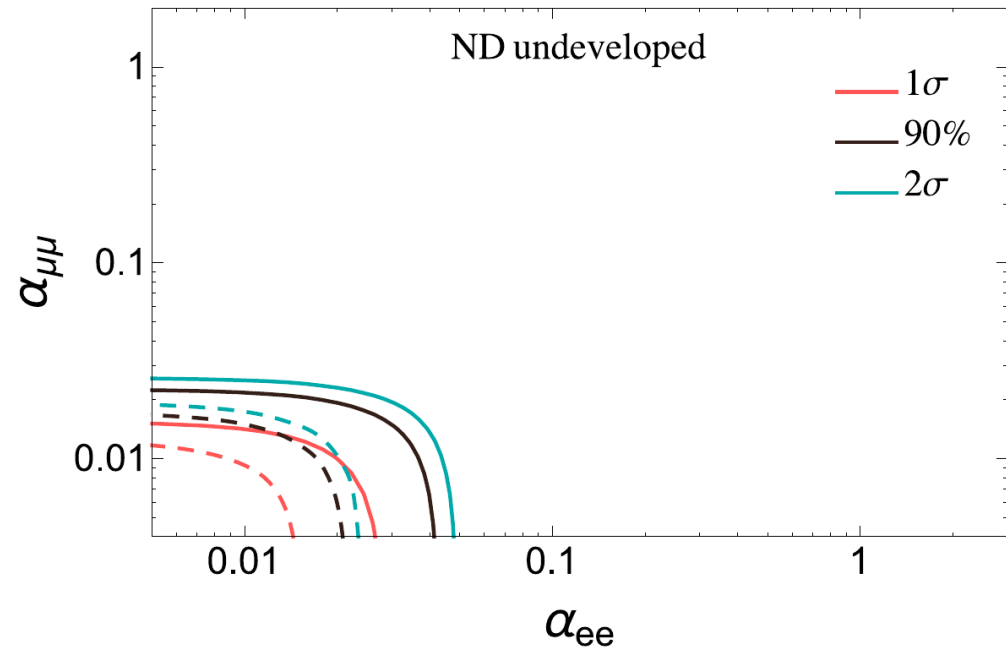
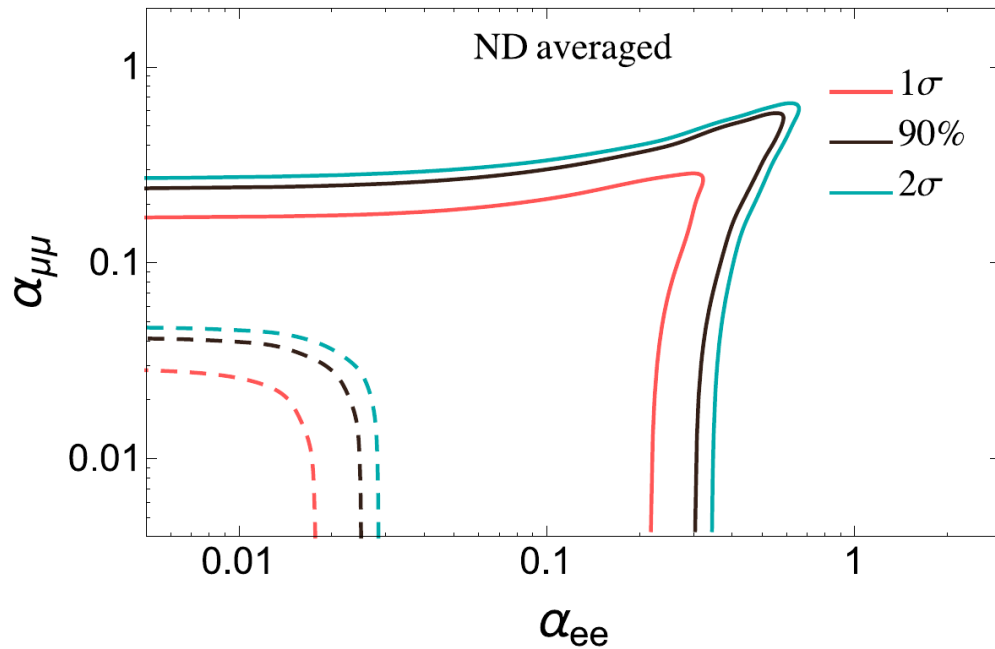
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Both limits can be studied in a unified & model independent way



# Dune sensitivities



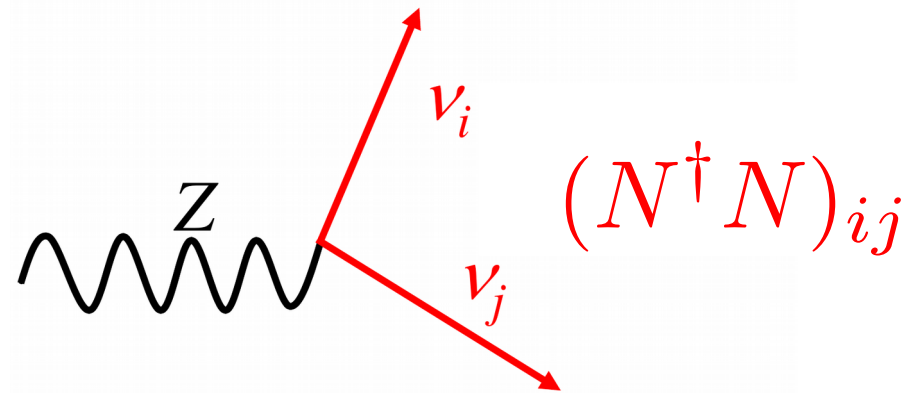
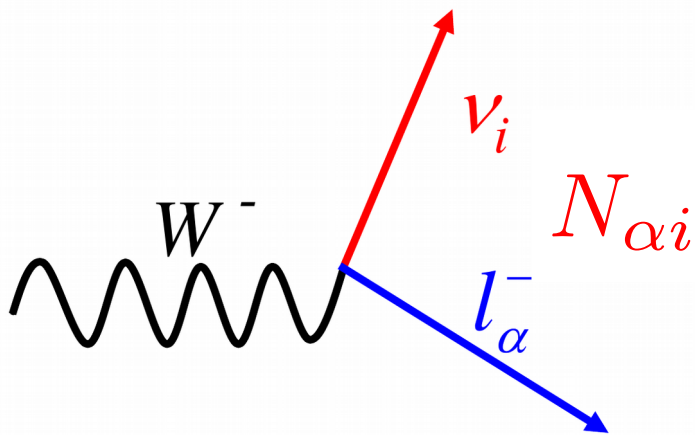
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# Present bounds

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} N & \Theta \\ R & S \end{pmatrix}$$

Bounds from  
EW precision  
data



Non-Unitary mixing (sterile states integrated out)  
effects in weak interactions

# Observables

- **28 observables included** in the analysis as a function of  $\alpha$ ,  $M_Z$  and  $G_\mu$
- The W boson mass  $M_W$
- The effective weak mixing angle:  $s_{W \text{ eff}}^2 \text{ lep}$  and  $s_{W \text{ eff}}^2 \text{ had}$
- Four ratios of Z fermionic decays
- The invisible width of the Z
- 8 ratios of weak decays constraining EW universality
- 9 weak decays constraining the CKM unitarity
- 3 radiative LFV decays:  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$  and  $\tau \rightarrow e\gamma$

# Present Bounds

	“Non-Unitarity” ( $m > \text{EW}$ )	“Light steriles”	
		$\Delta m^2 \gtrsim 100 \text{ eV}^2$	$\Delta m^2 \sim 0.1 - 1 \text{ eV}^2$
$\alpha_{ee}$	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.4 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$\alpha_{\mu\mu}$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$\alpha_{\tau\tau}$	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-1}$
$\alpha_{\mu e}$	$6.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$ ( $2.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$ )	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$\alpha_{\tau e}$	$2.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.9 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$\alpha_{\tau\mu}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$5.3 \cdot 10^{-2}$

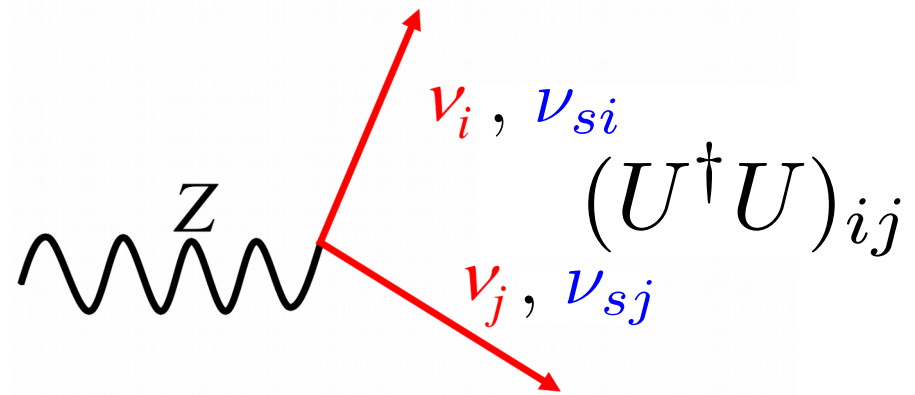
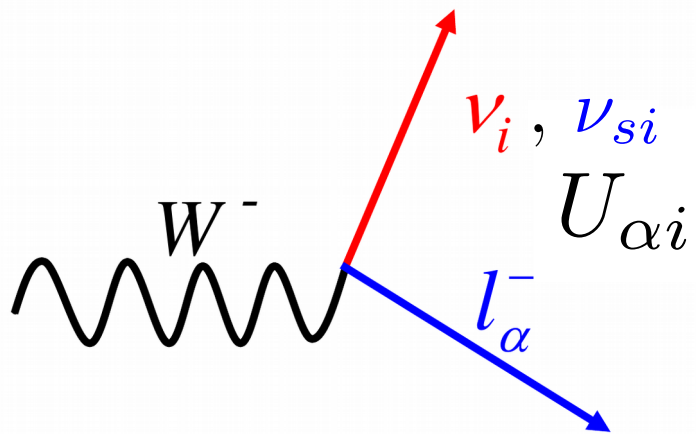
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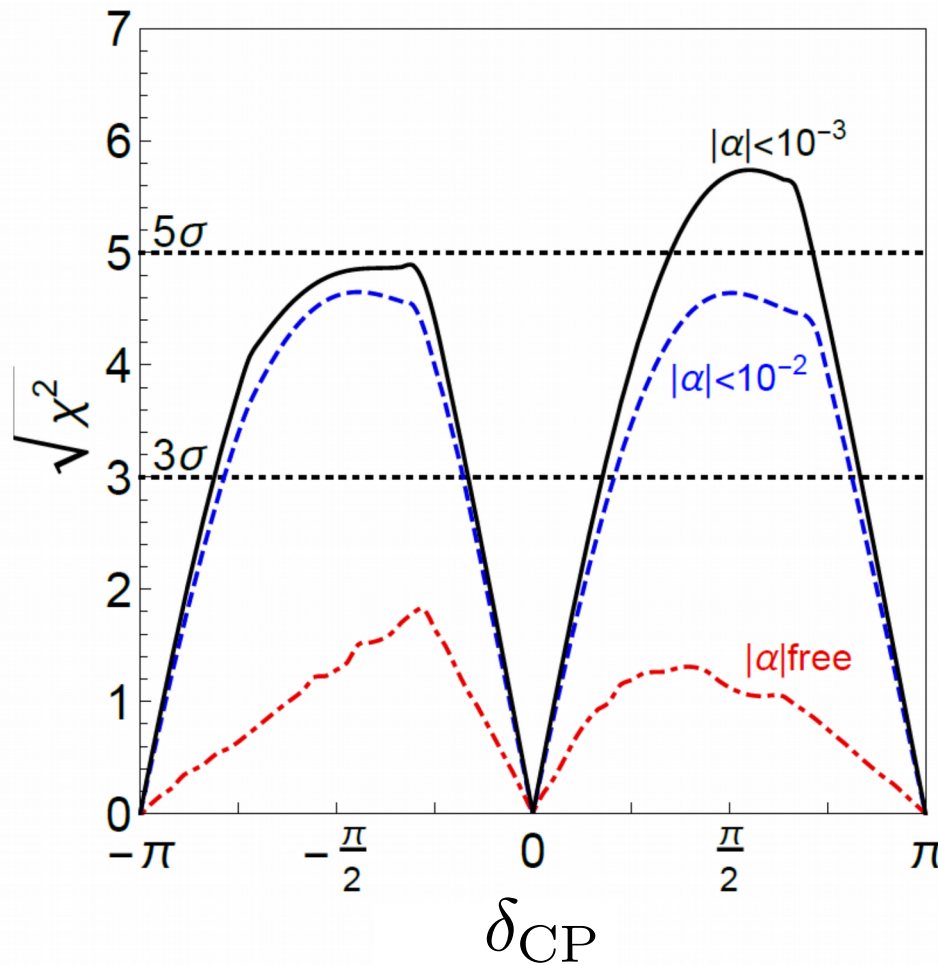
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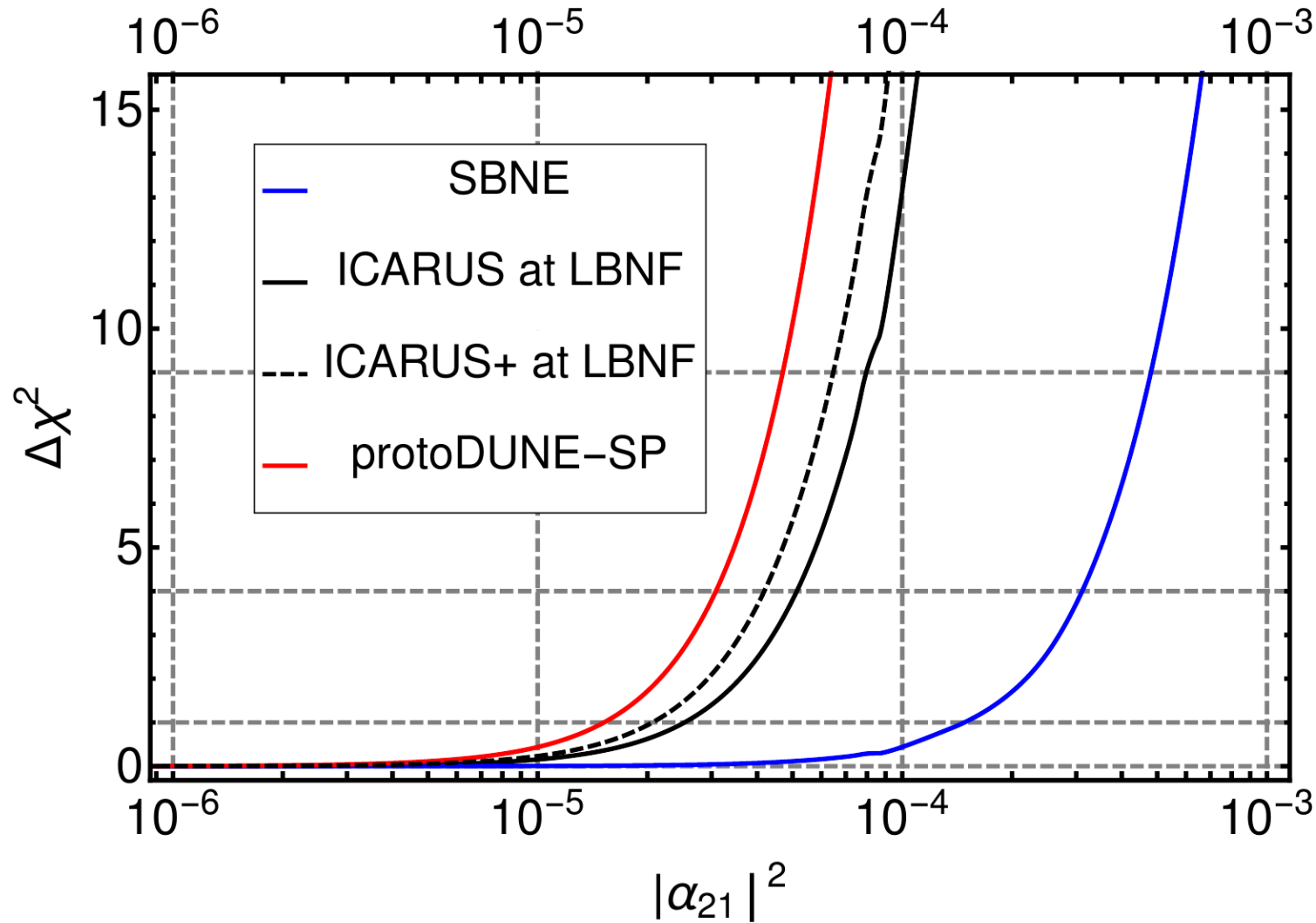
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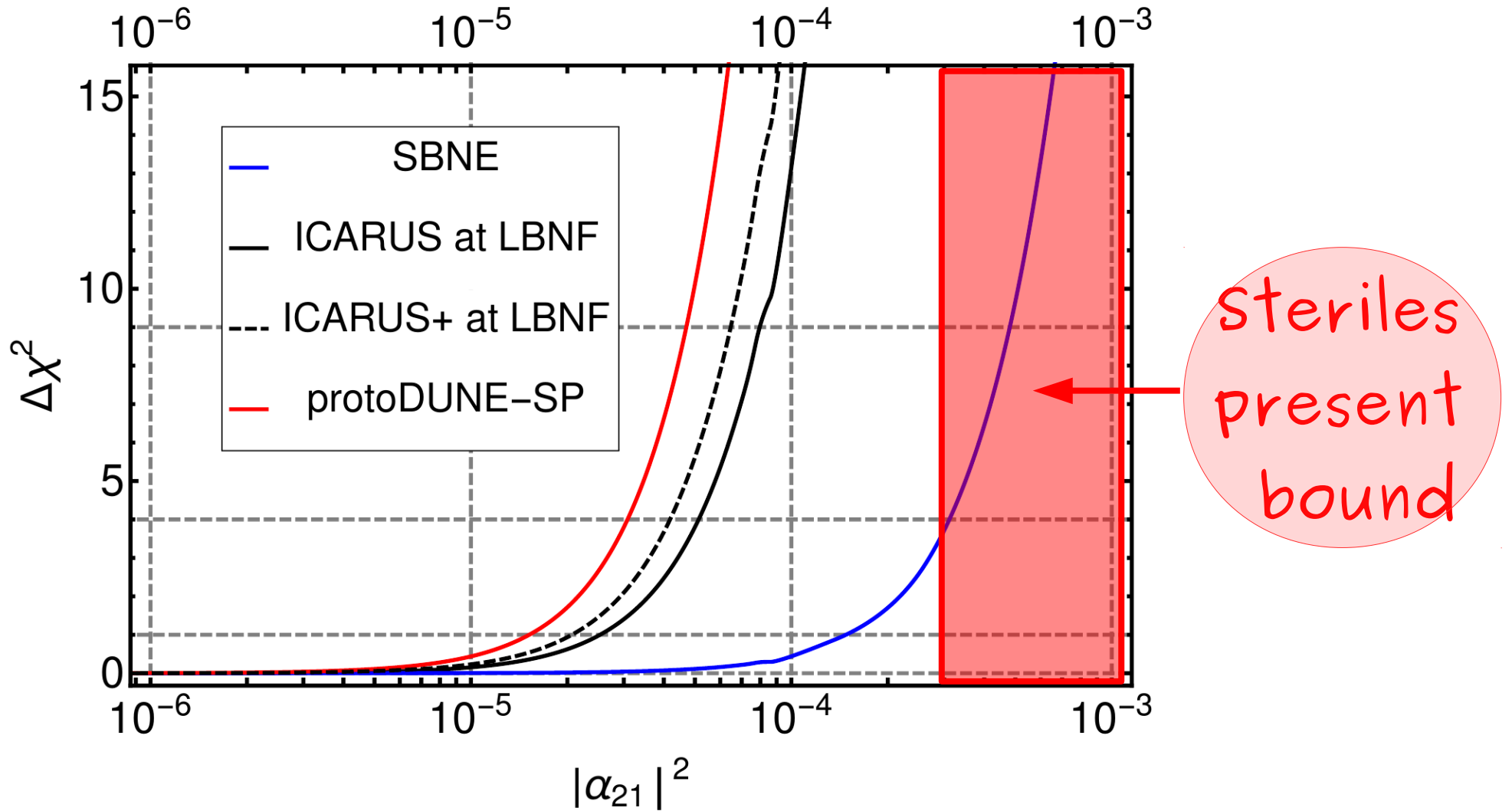
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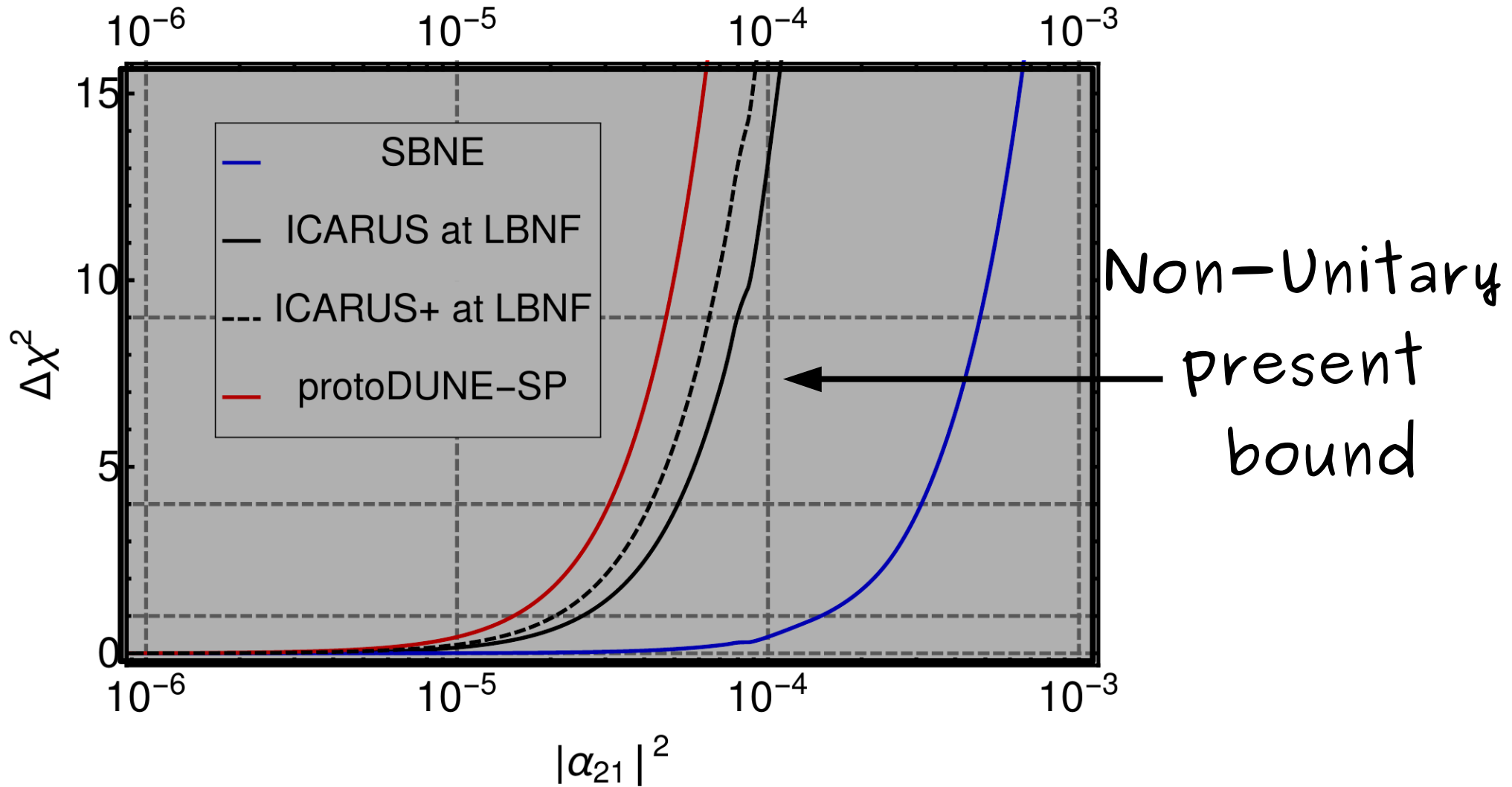
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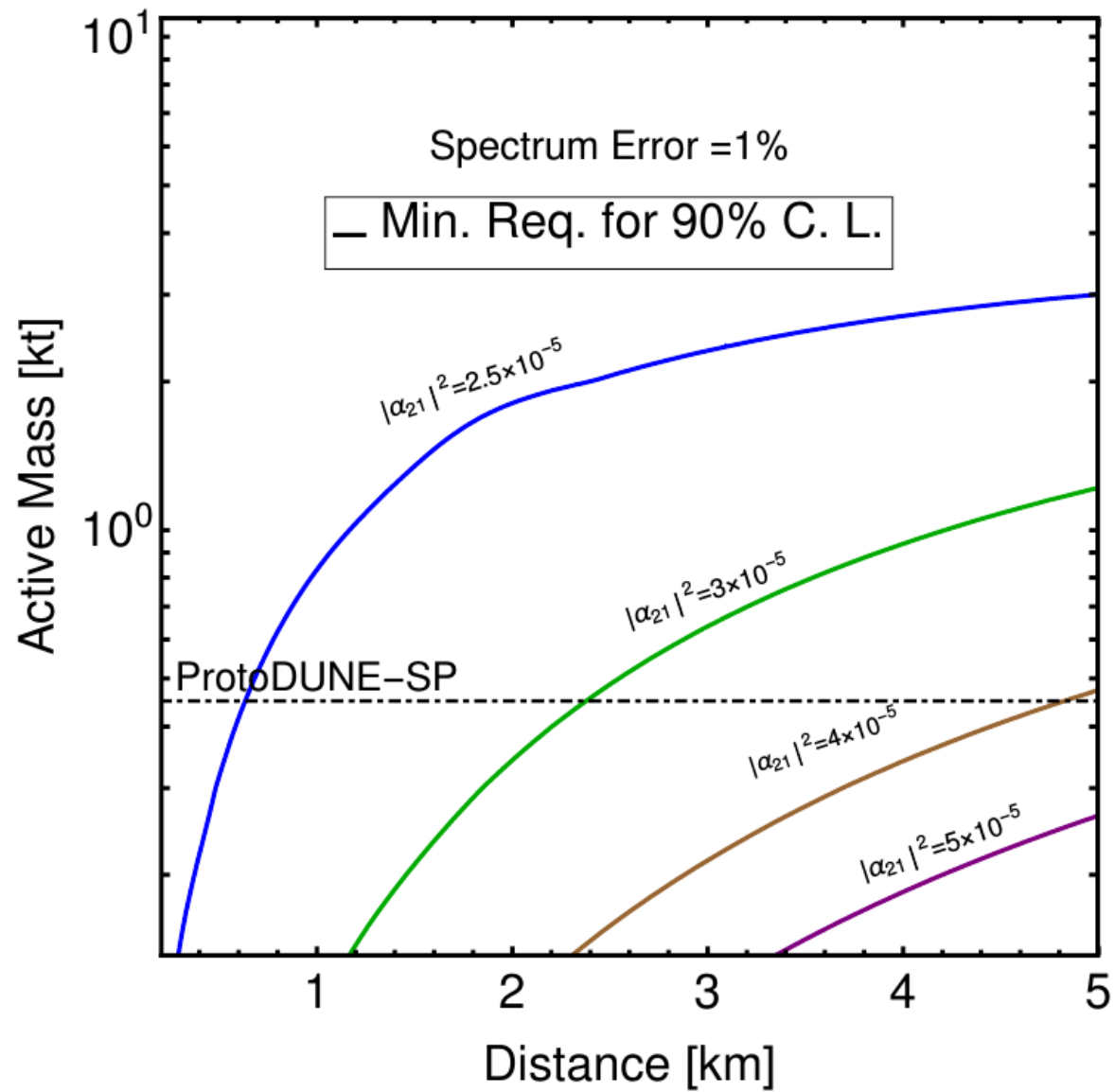
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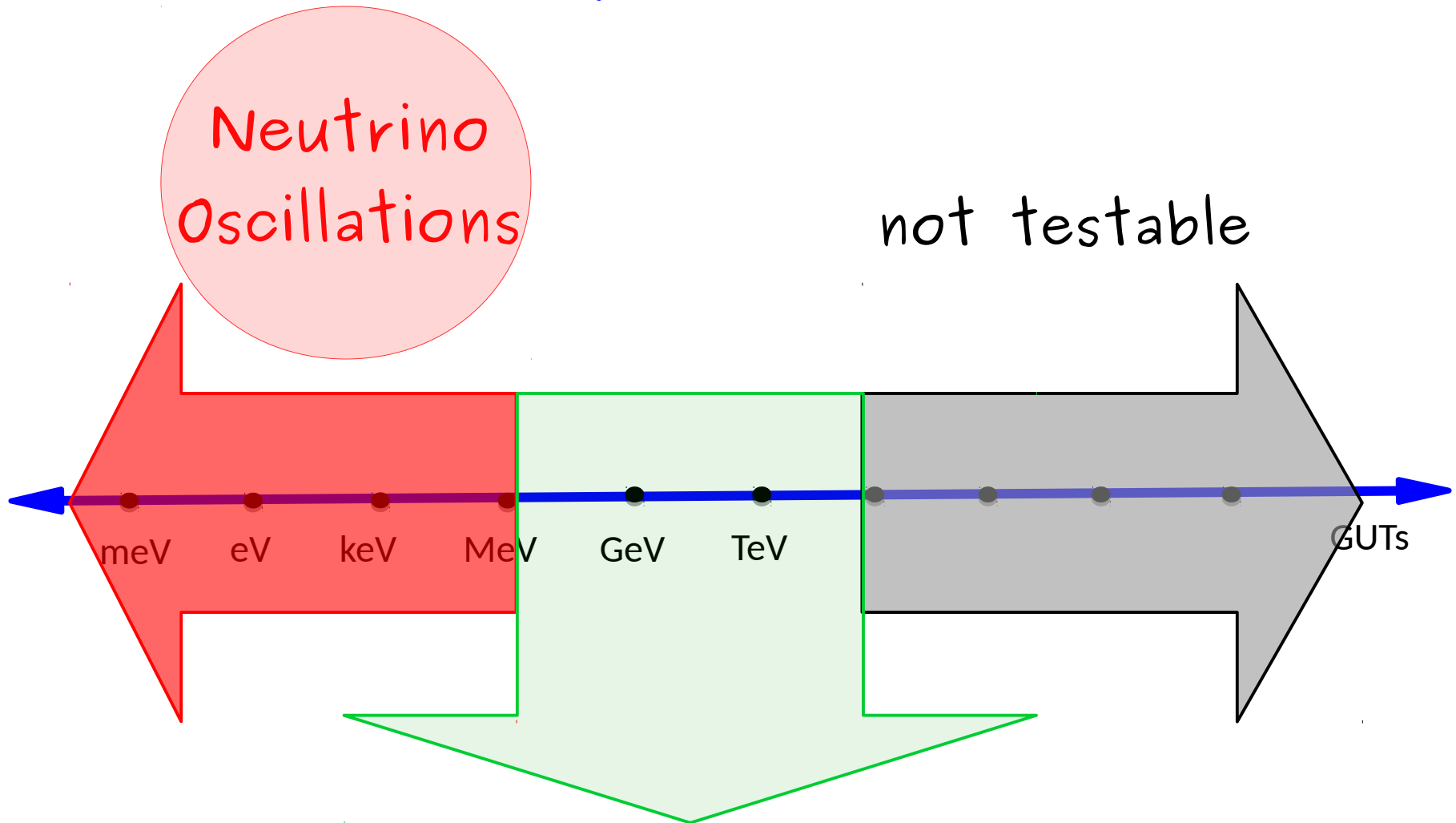
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# The New Physics Scale



$0\nu\beta\beta$  Decay, LFV, EW precision analysis,  
SHIP, LHC, FCC-ee...

# Summary and Conclusions

- **Non-unitary mixing** can come from low energy (kinematically accessible sterile neutrinos) or high energy (new states integrated out) New Physics.
- Both limits can be studied in a unified, consistent and model independent way.
- When sterile oscillations are averaged out at the near detector, their effects at the far detector coincide with non-unitarity at leading order, even in presence of a matter potential.
- The role of the near detector is extremely relevant.
- Non-unitarity effects coming from high energy NP are too constrained to impact future neutrino oscillation facilities but sterile neutrinos can play an important role.

Thanks!



# Detectors

Detector	Active Size	Distance	E range (GeV)	Target
ICARUS	476 t	600 m	0 to 3	Liq. Argon
ICARUS+	476 t	600 m	0 to 5	Liq. Argon
protoDUNE-SP	450 t	600 m	0 to 5	Liq. Argon

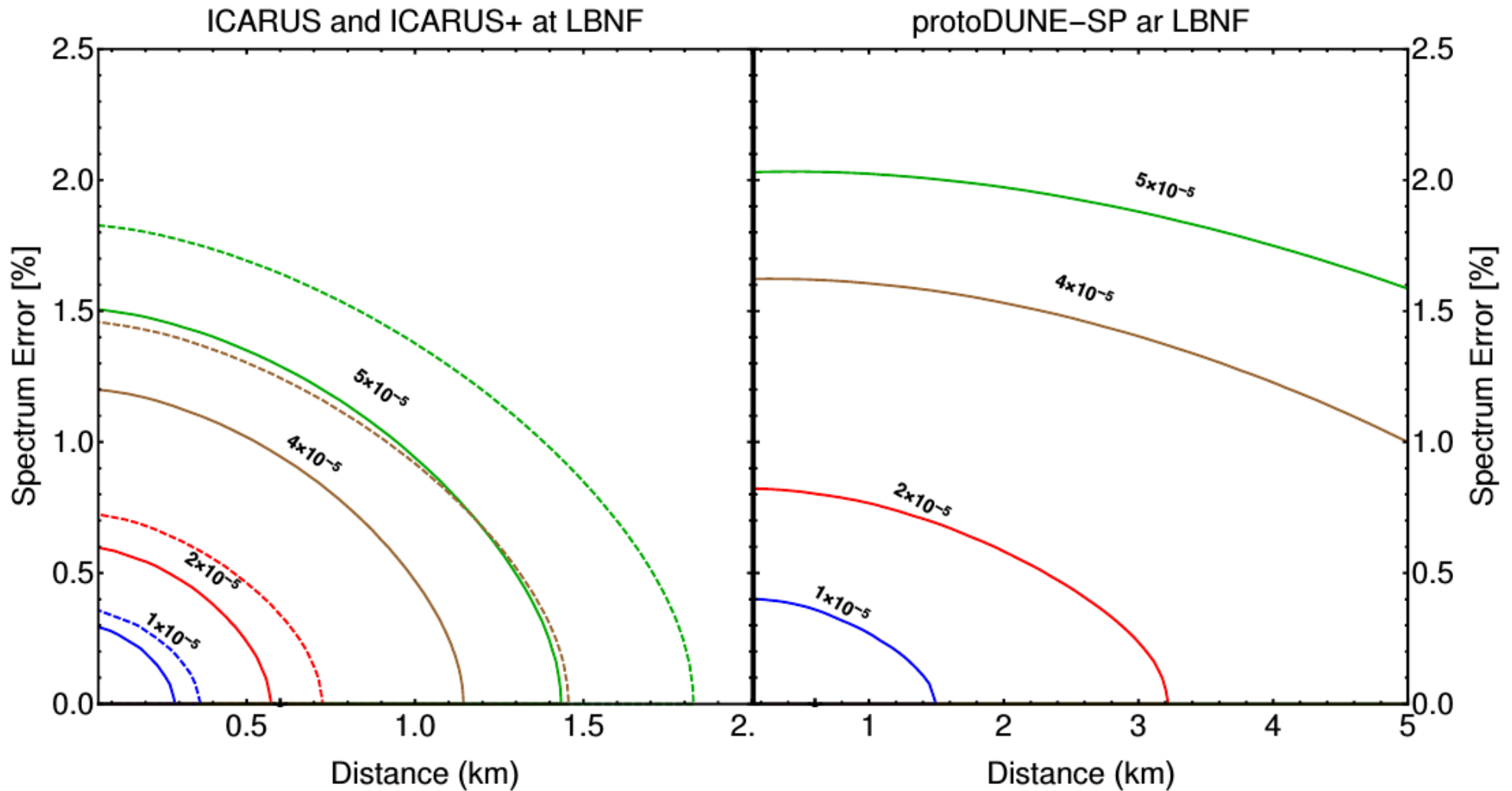
TABLE II: Proposals for a second near detector in DUNE.

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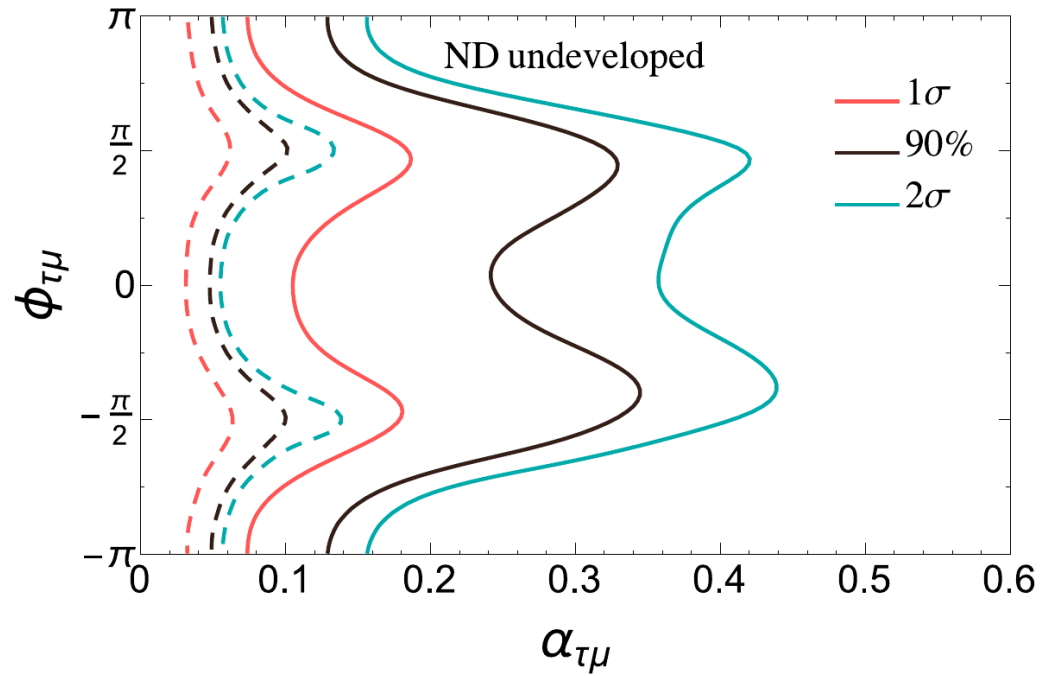
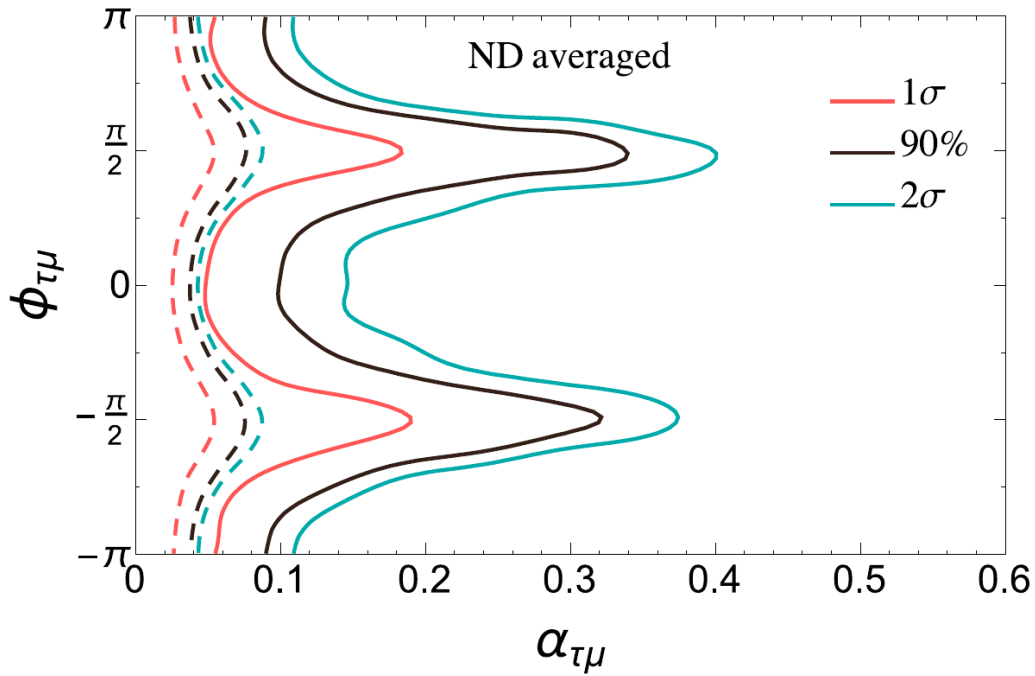
TABLE I: Summary of the main features of the SBNE detectors [5]



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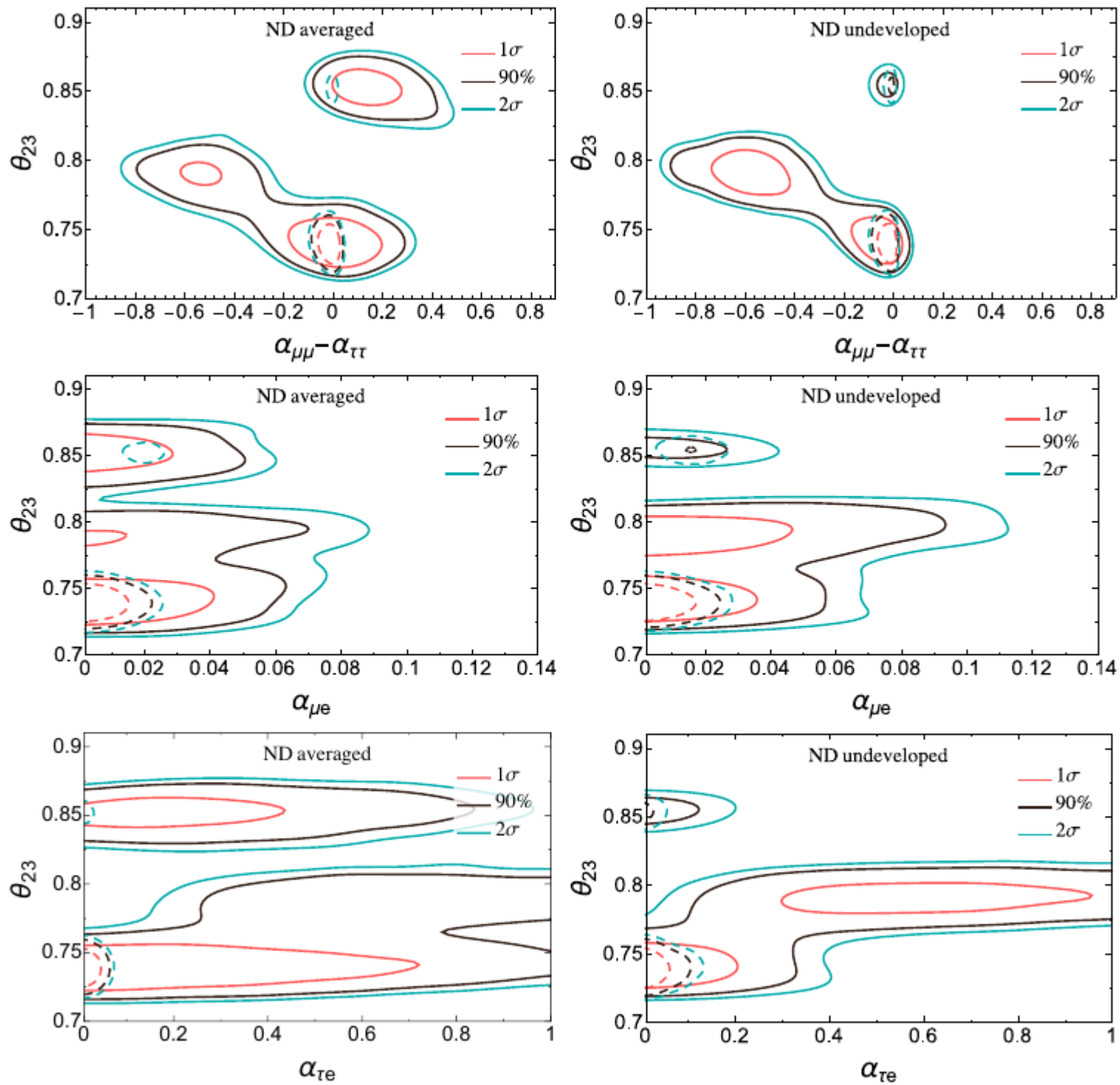


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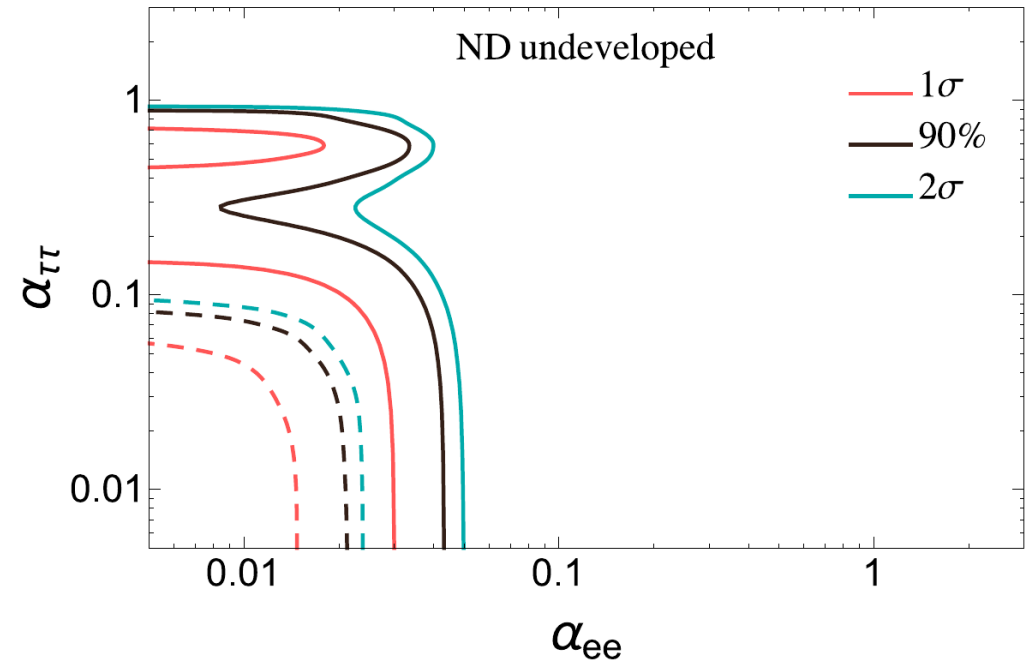
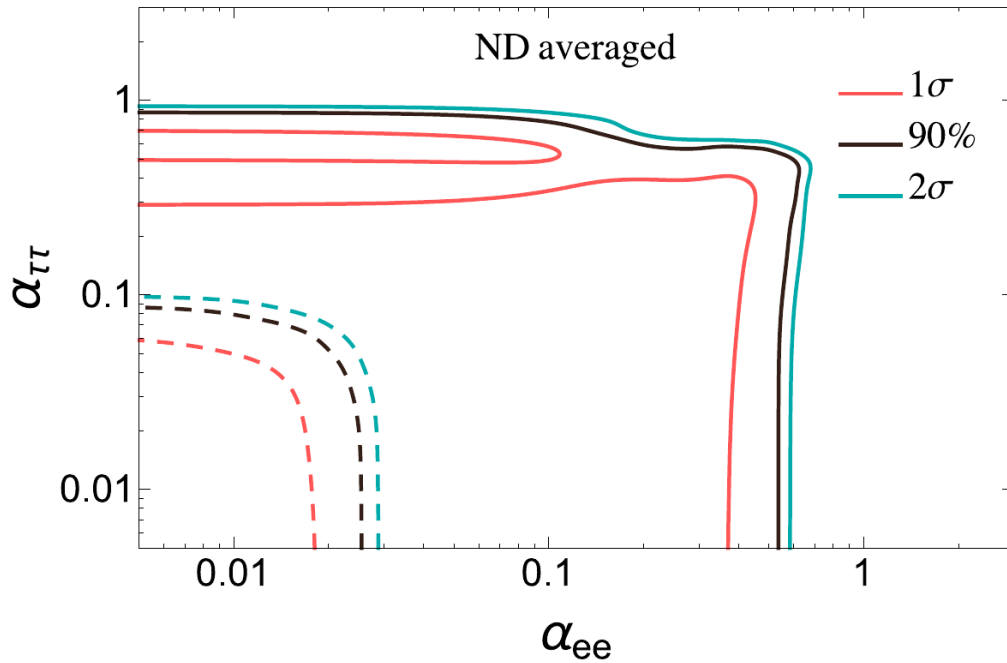


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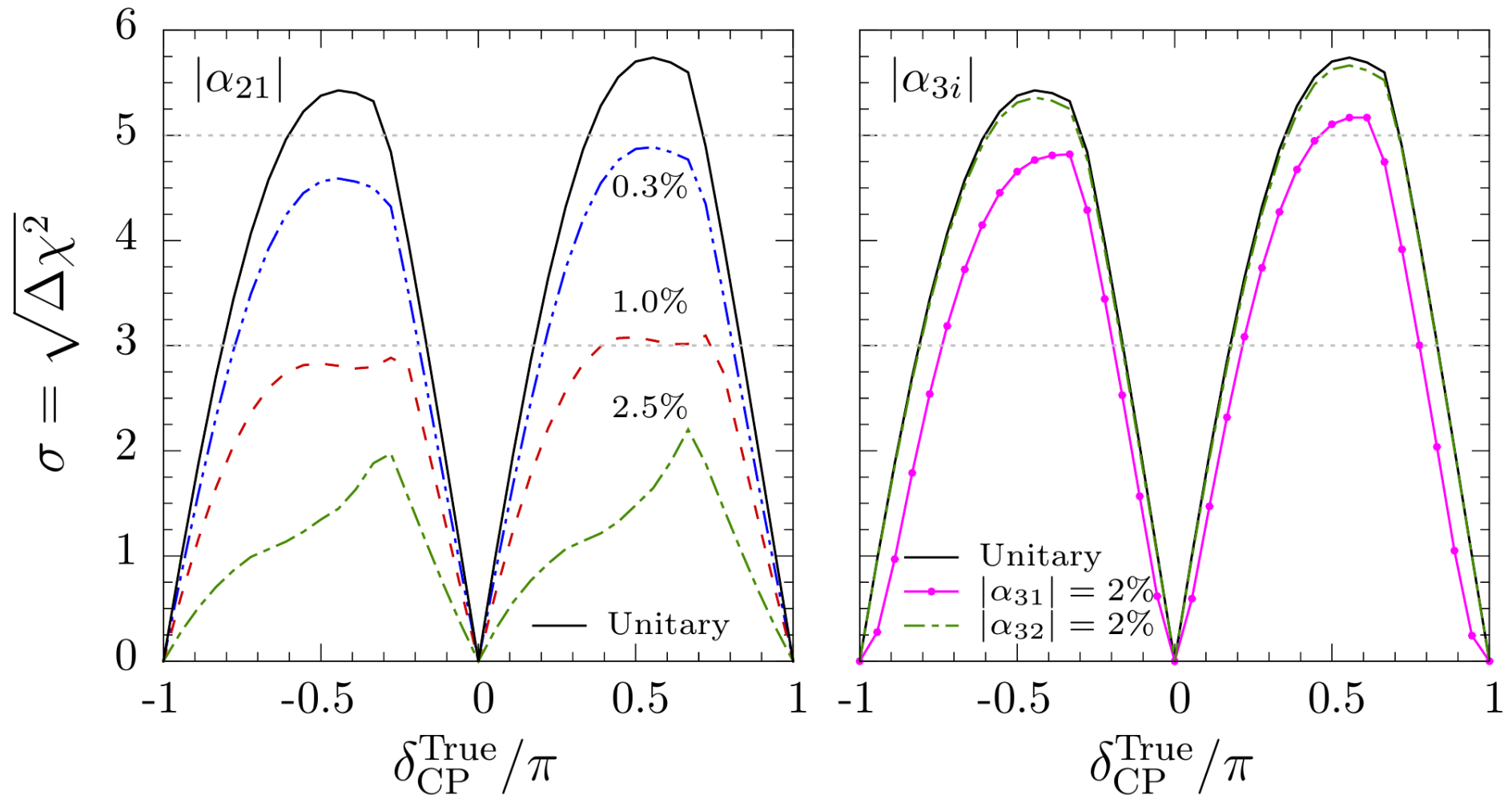
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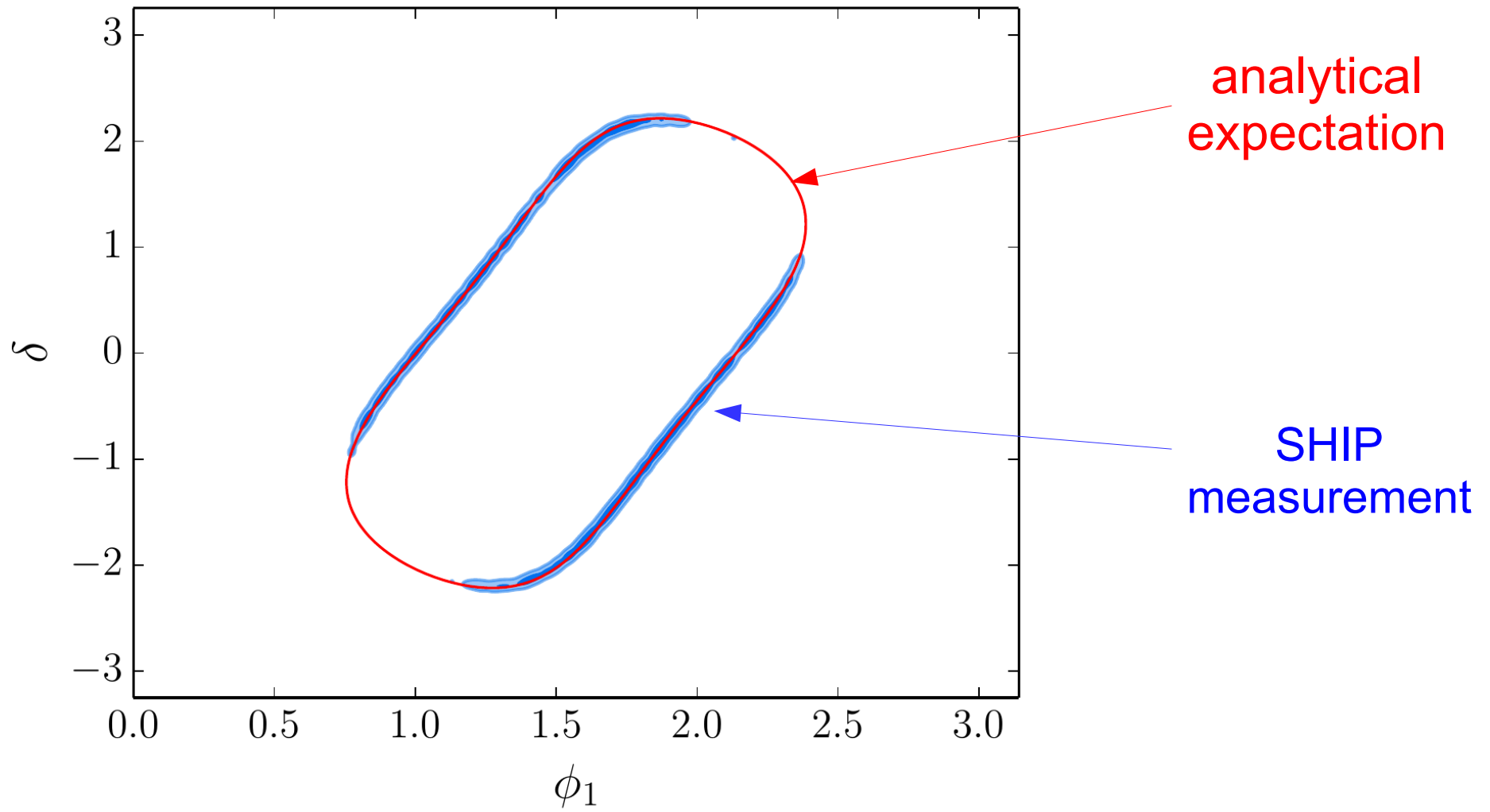
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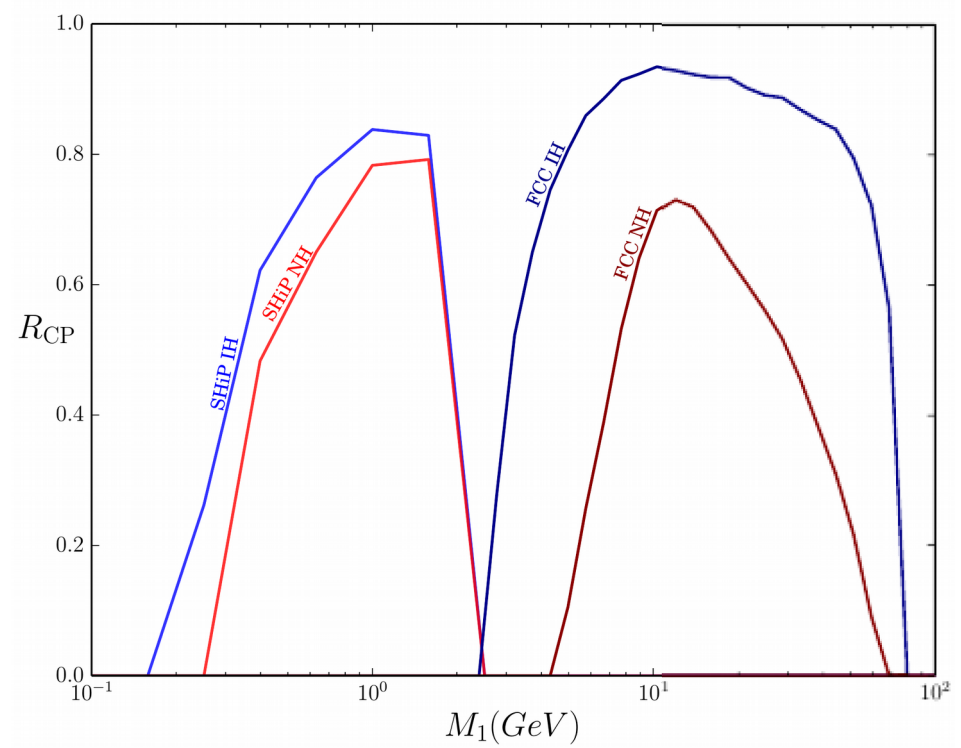
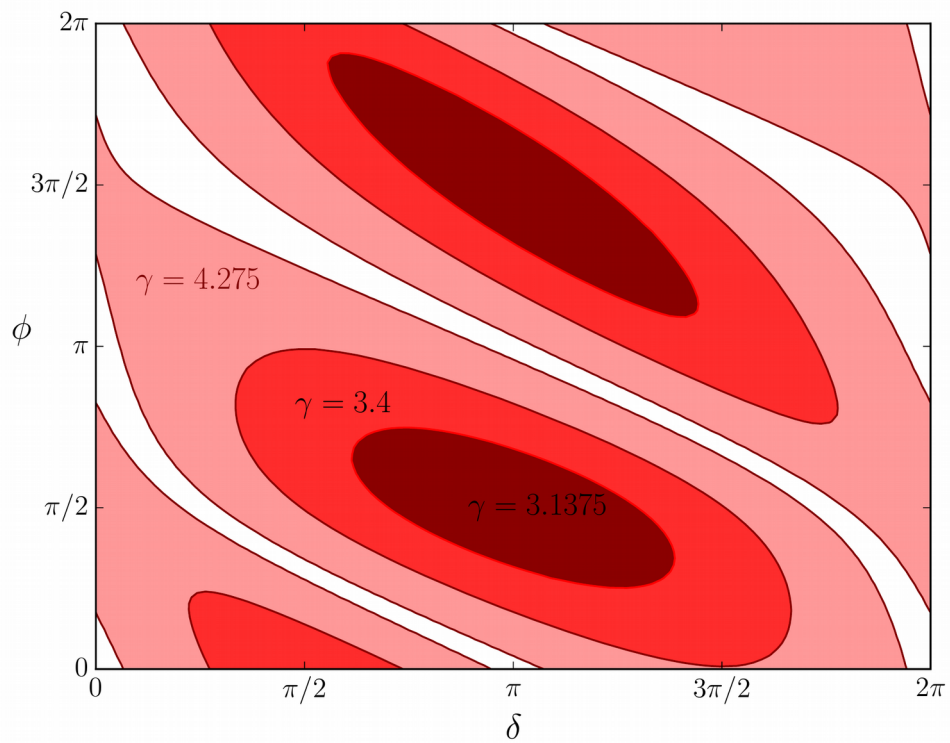
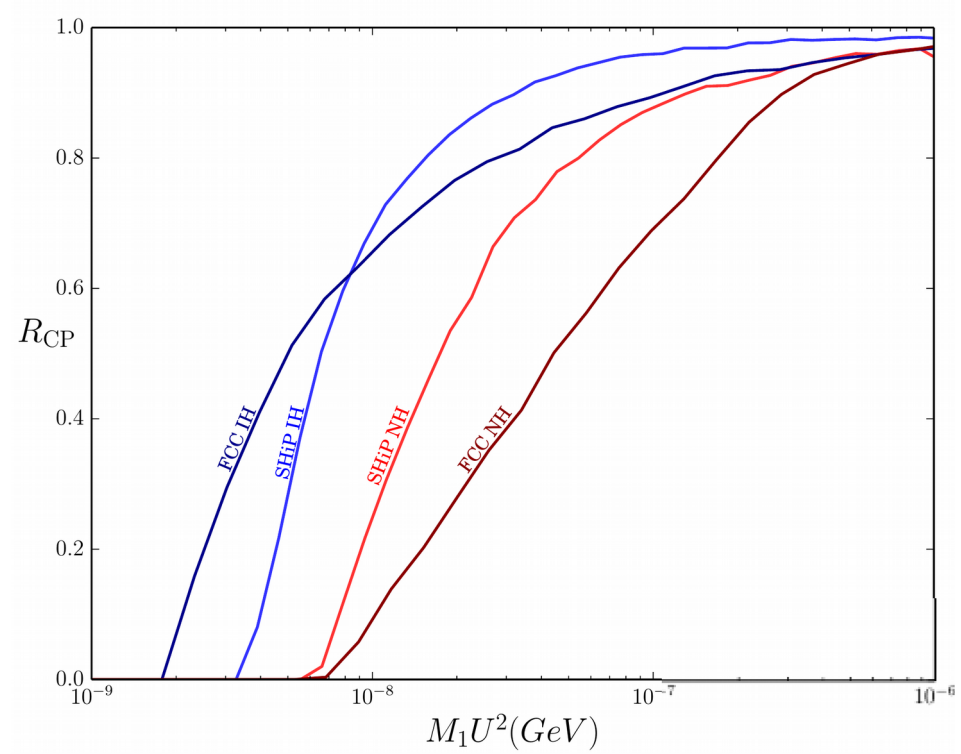
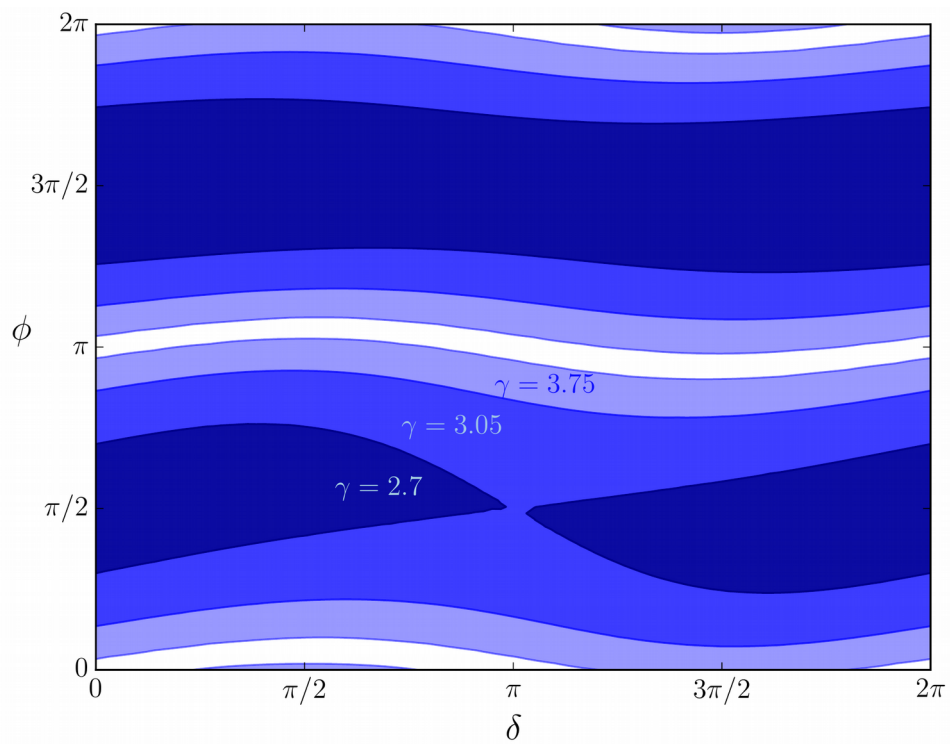
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Recall, neutrino oscillation experiments sensitive to  $\delta$





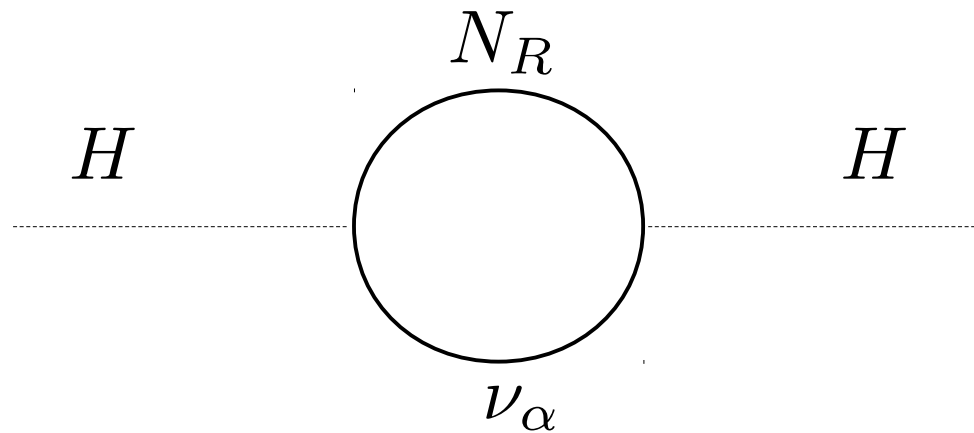
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Vissani 1998

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*Inverse and direct seesaw models.*

Mohapatra 1986; Mohapatra, Valle 1986; Bernabeu, Santamaria, Vidal, Mendez, Valle 1987; Branco, Grimus, Lavoura 1989; Malinsky, Romao, Valle 2005; Kersten, Smirnov 2007; Gavela, Hambye, D. Hernandez, P. Hernandez 2009;