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Long live the Higgs Portal!

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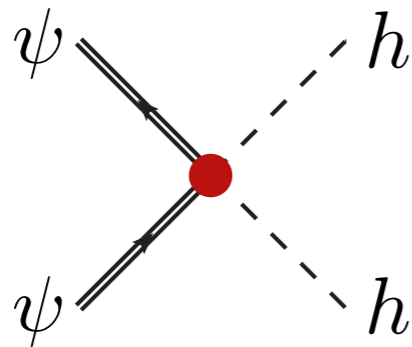
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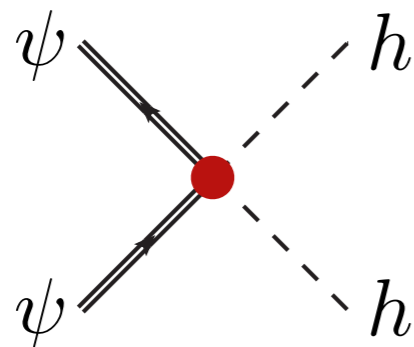
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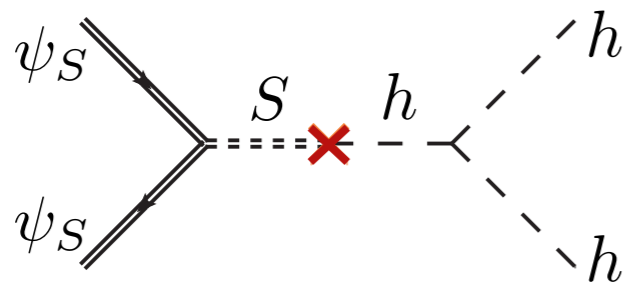


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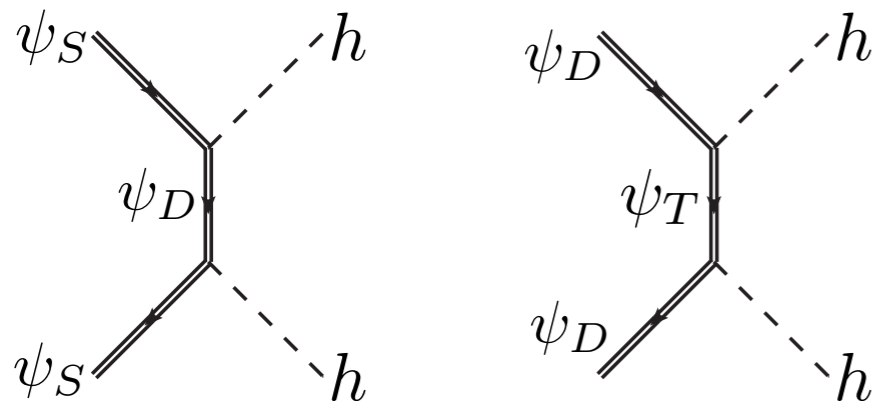
Minimal renormalizable extensions: singlet-singlet, singlet-doublet, doublet-triplet.

Tiny portal coupling: **naturalness?**

[Freitas, Westhoff, Zupan, 1506.04149]

[Lee et al., 0803.2932] [Mahbubani, Senatore, hep-ph/0510064]

[Dedes, Karamitros, 1403.7744]



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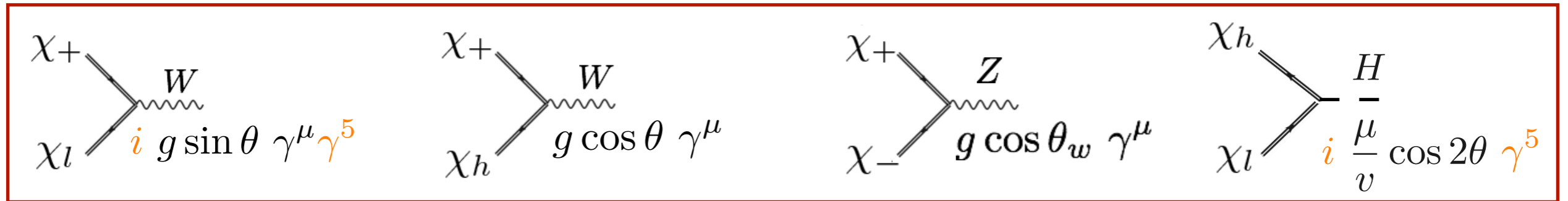
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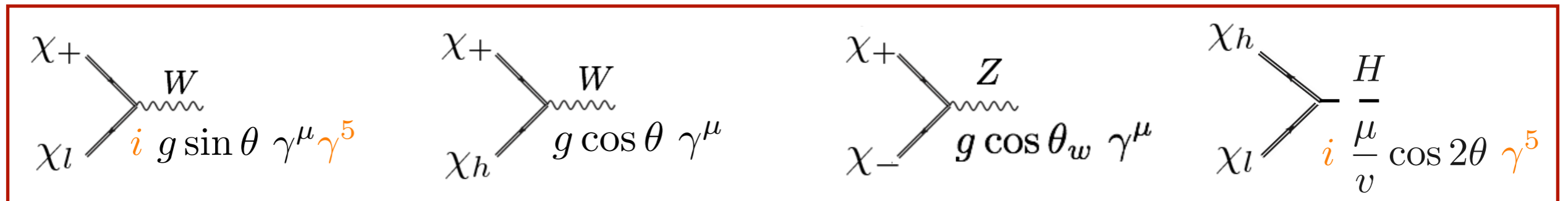
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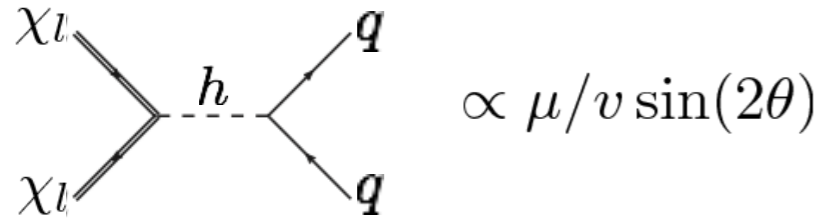
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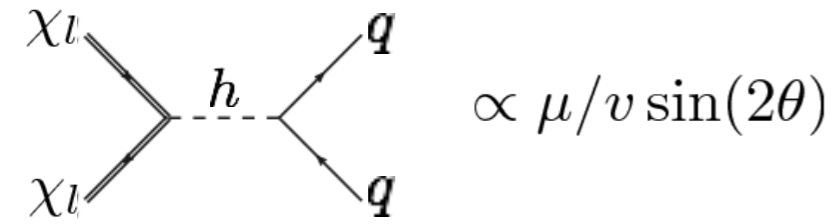
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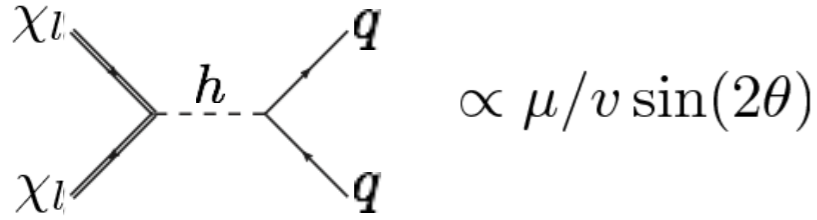
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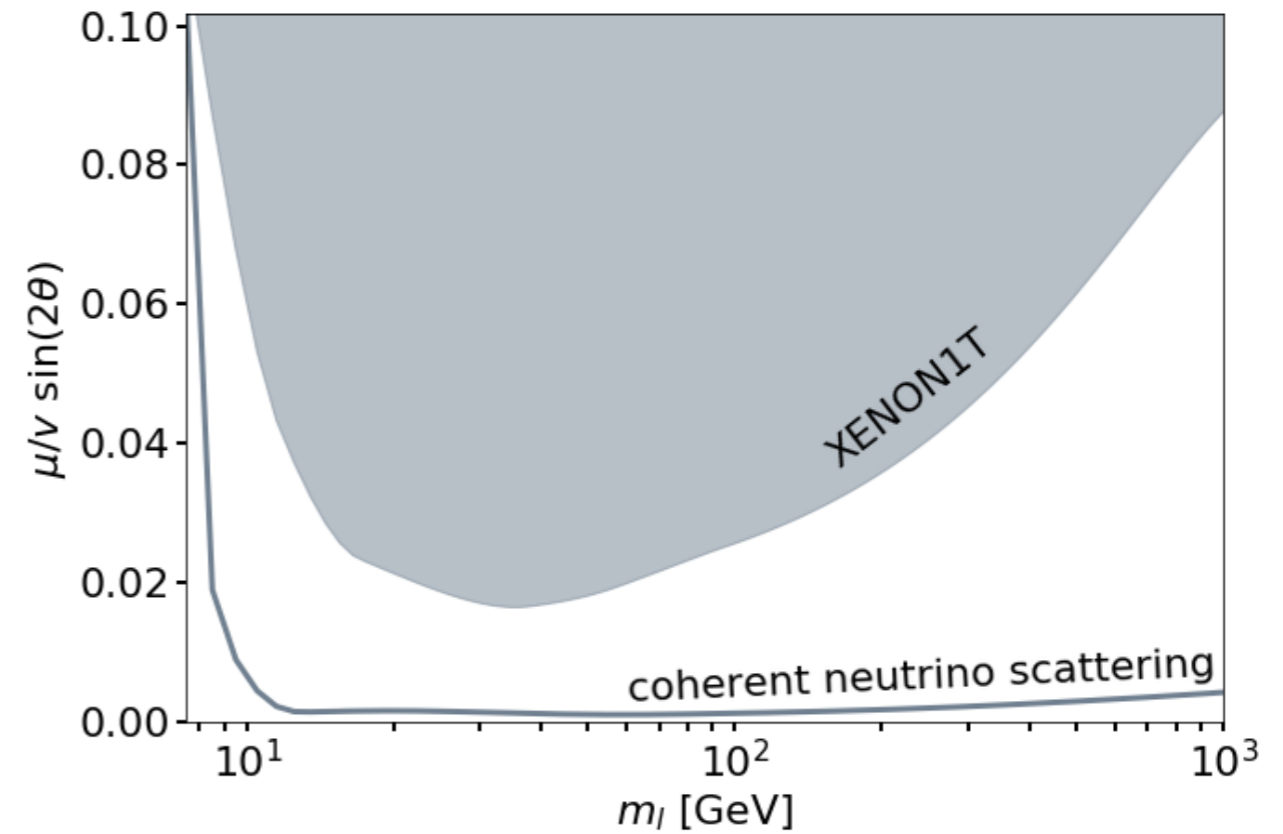
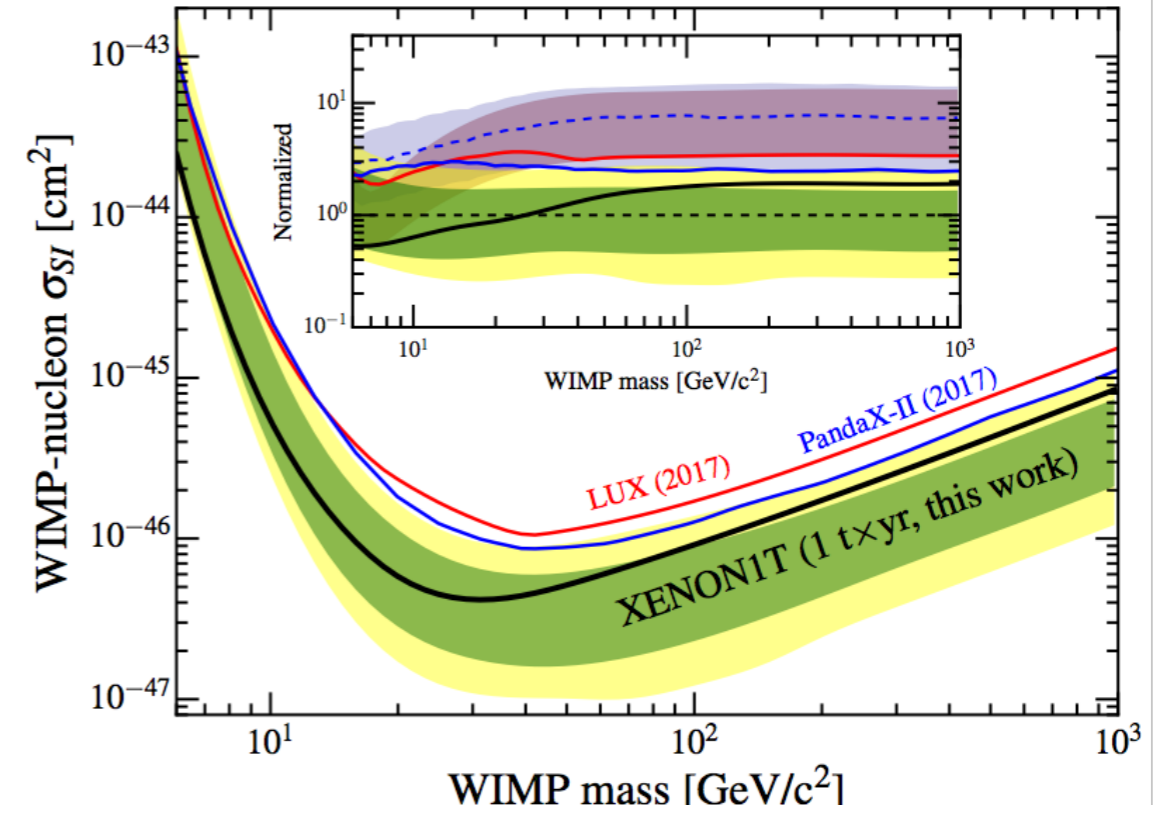
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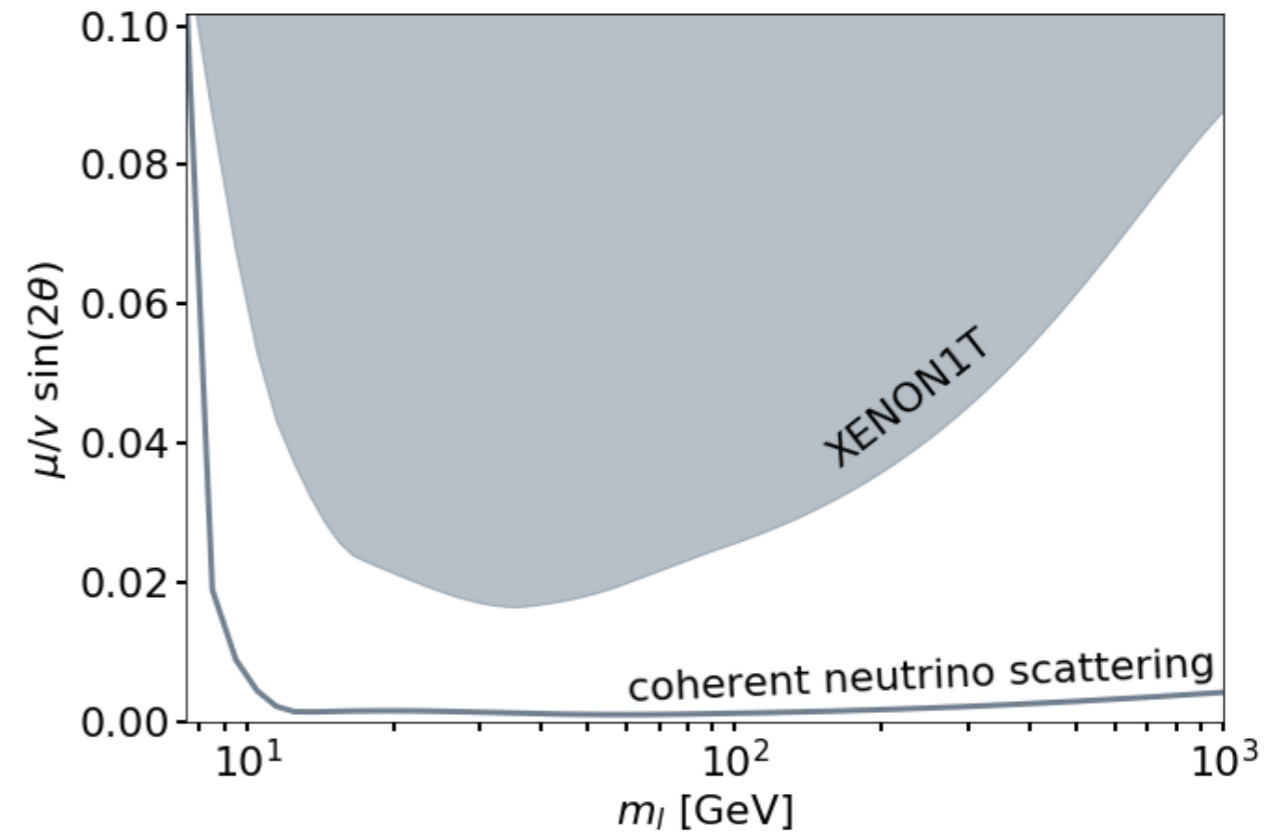
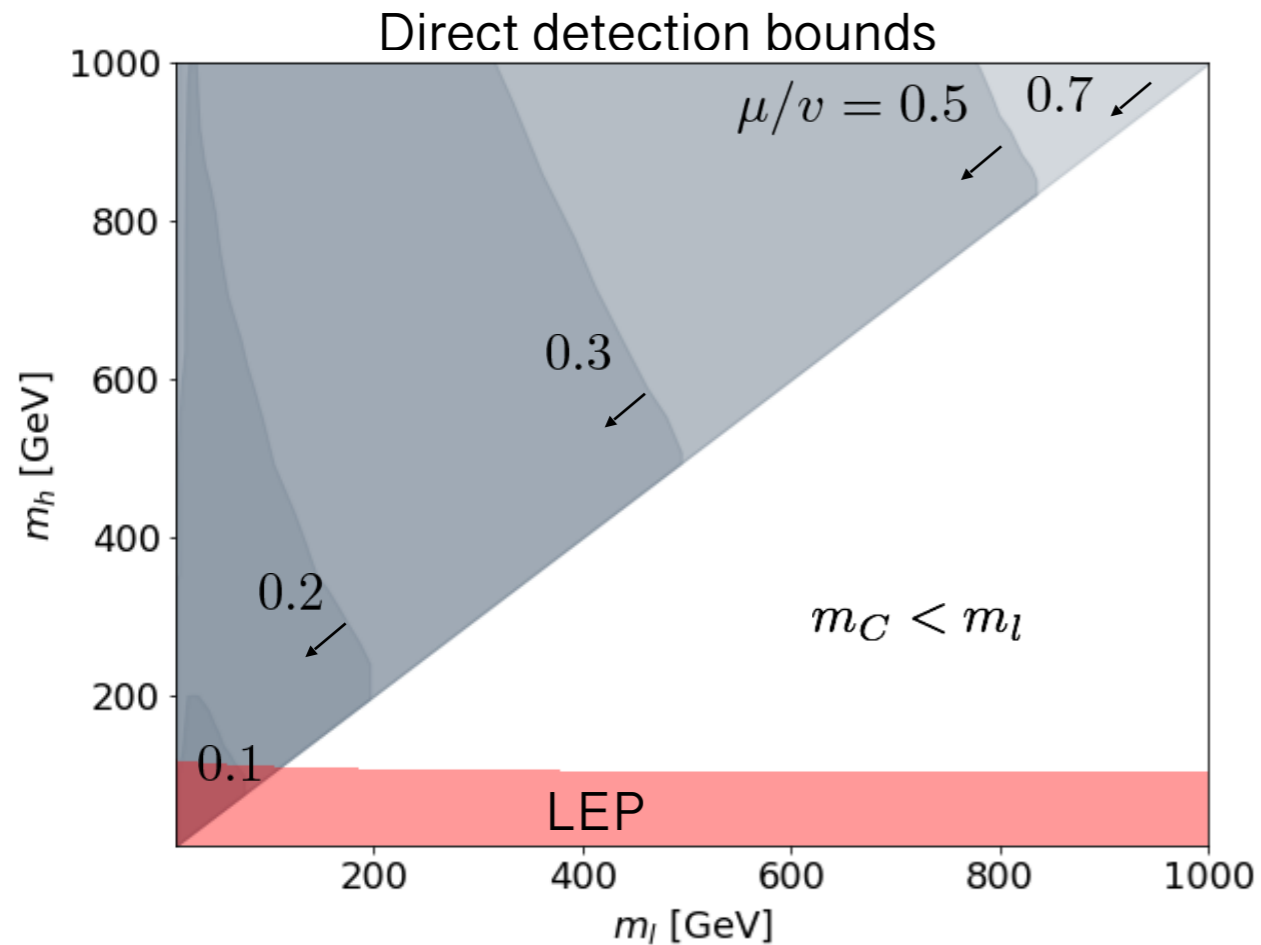
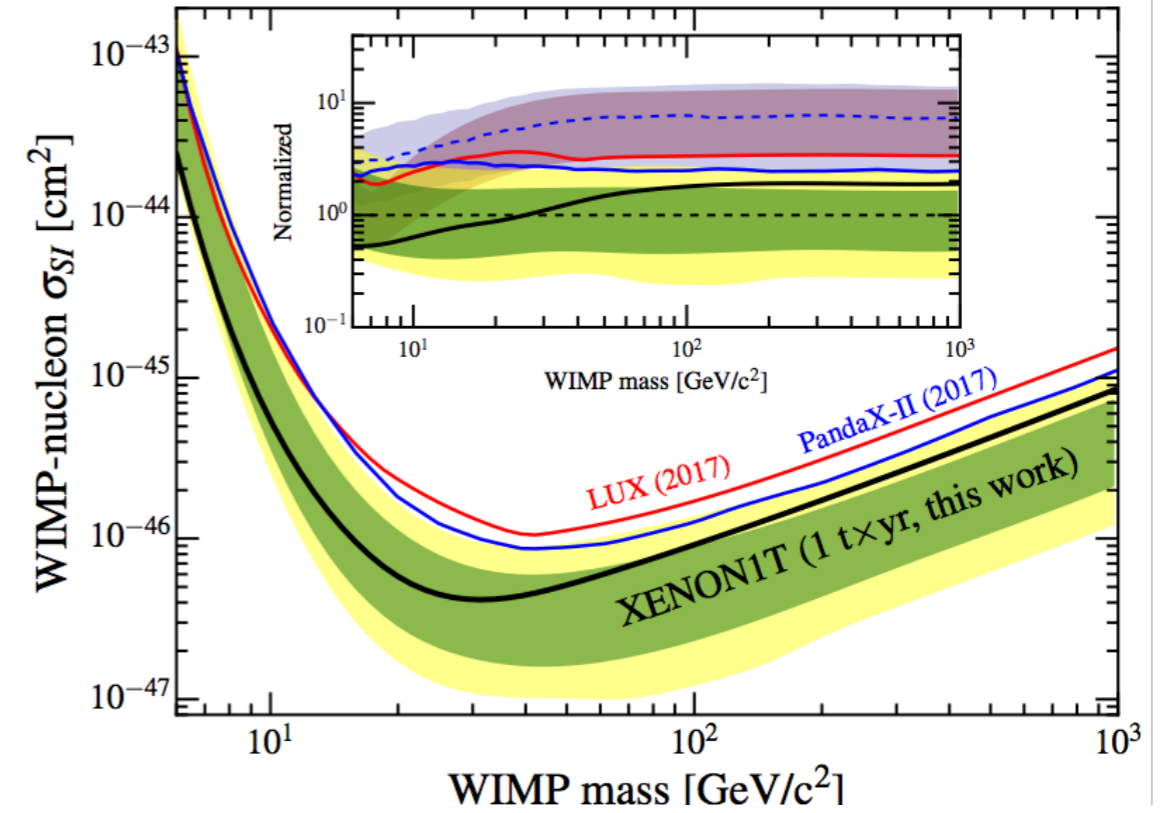
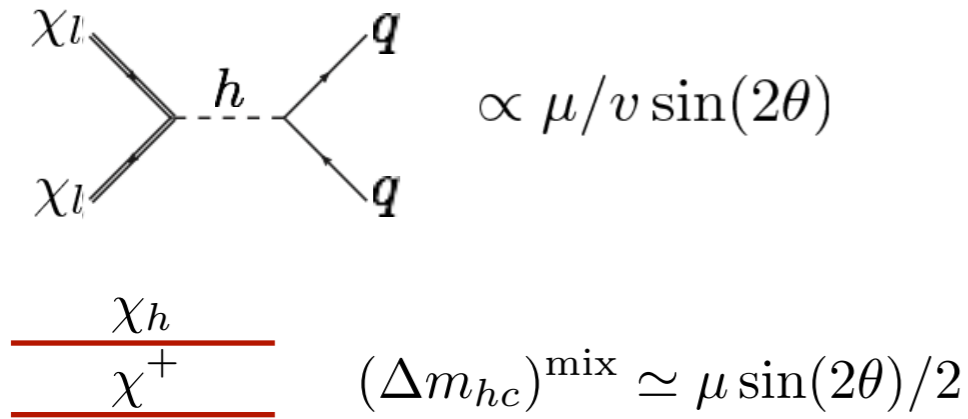


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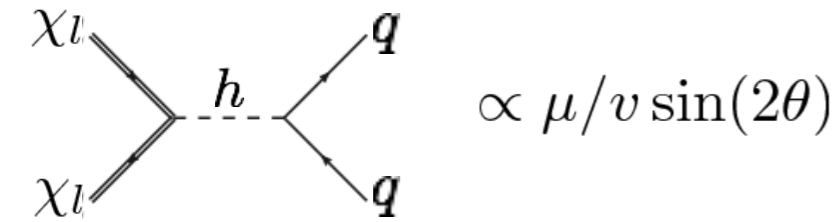
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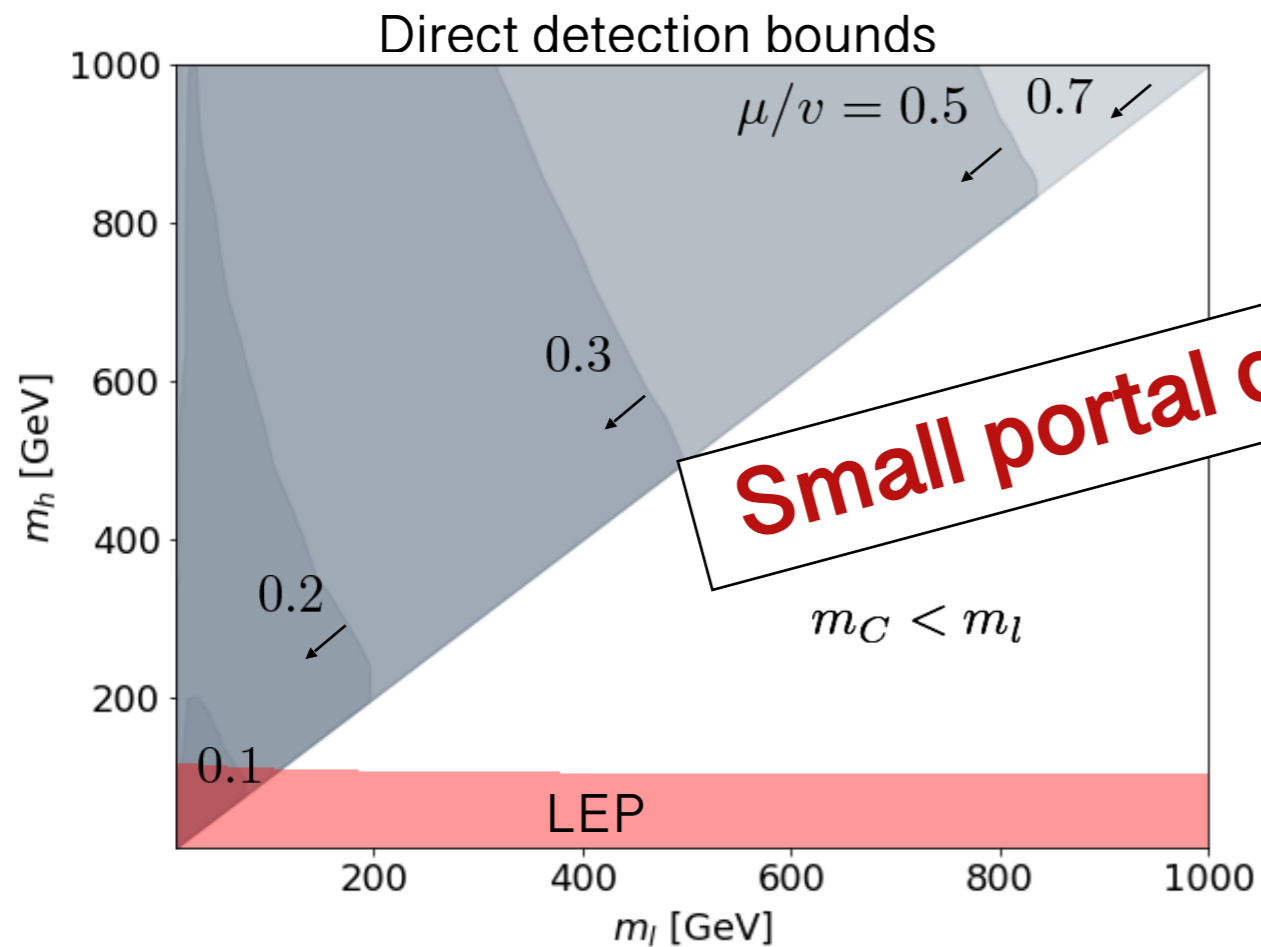
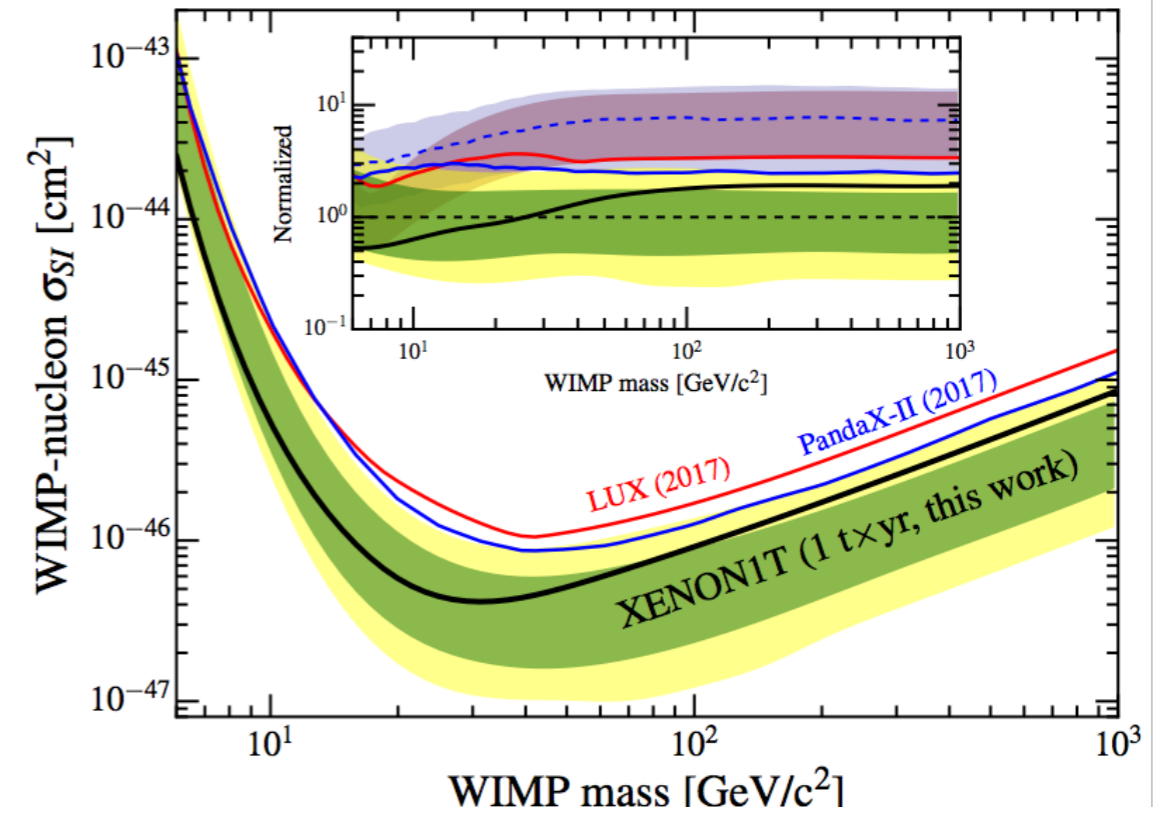


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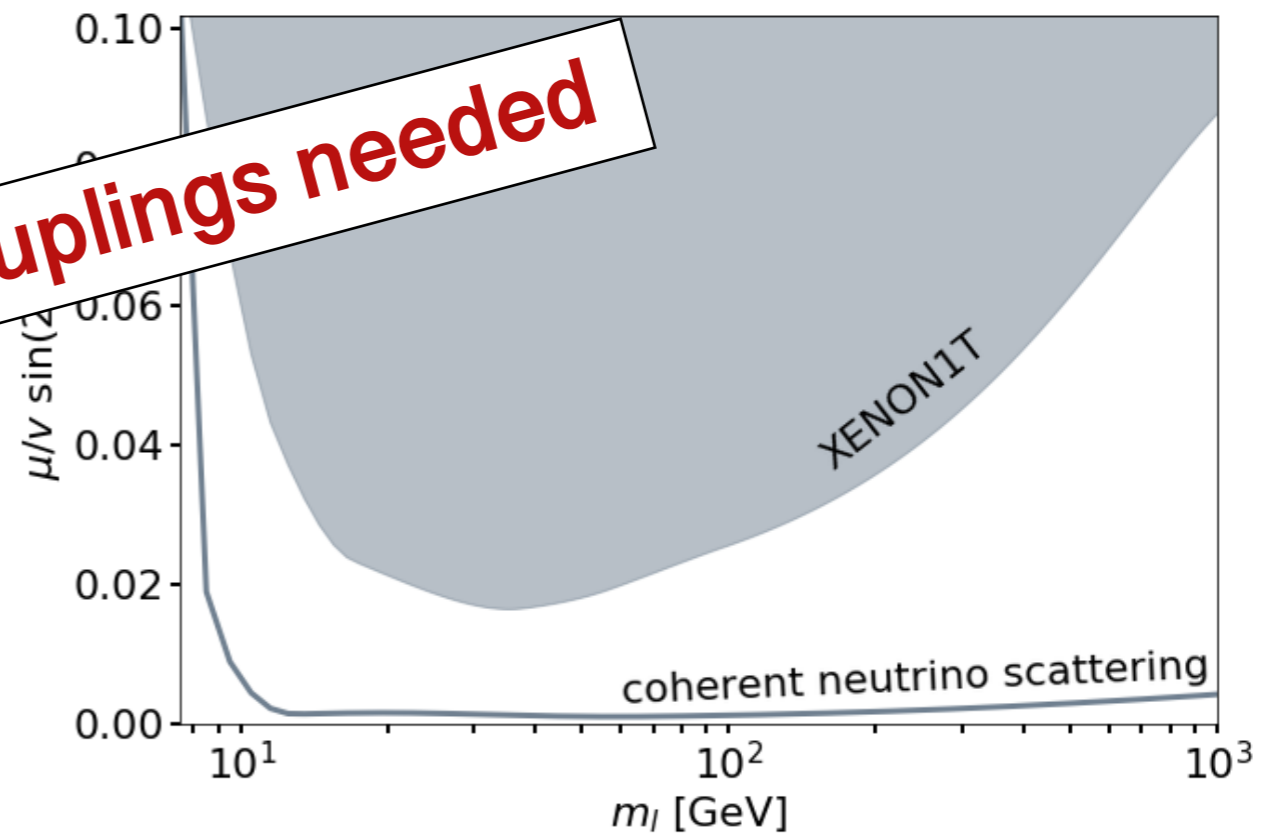
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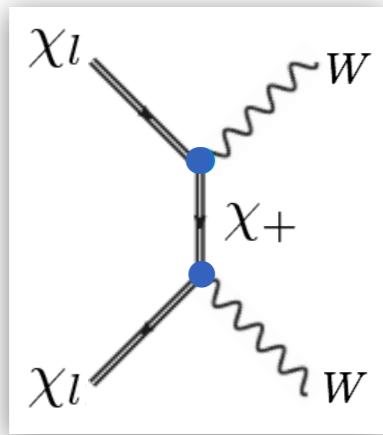
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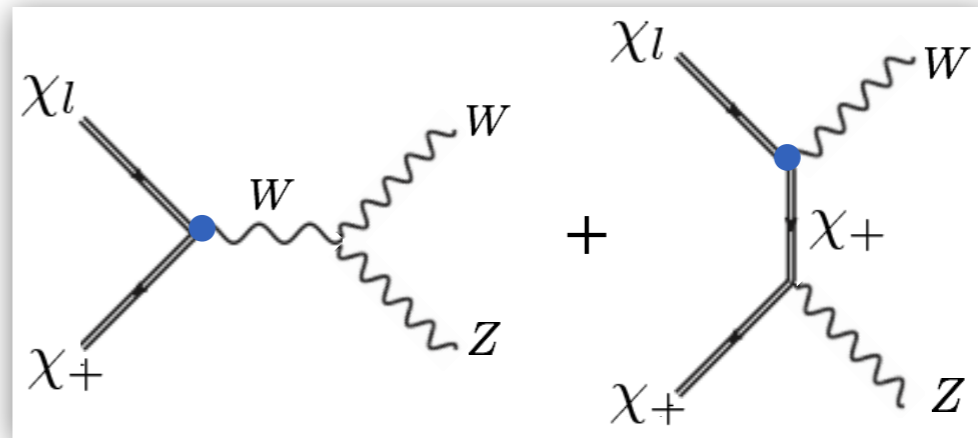


Surviving regions: scalar case



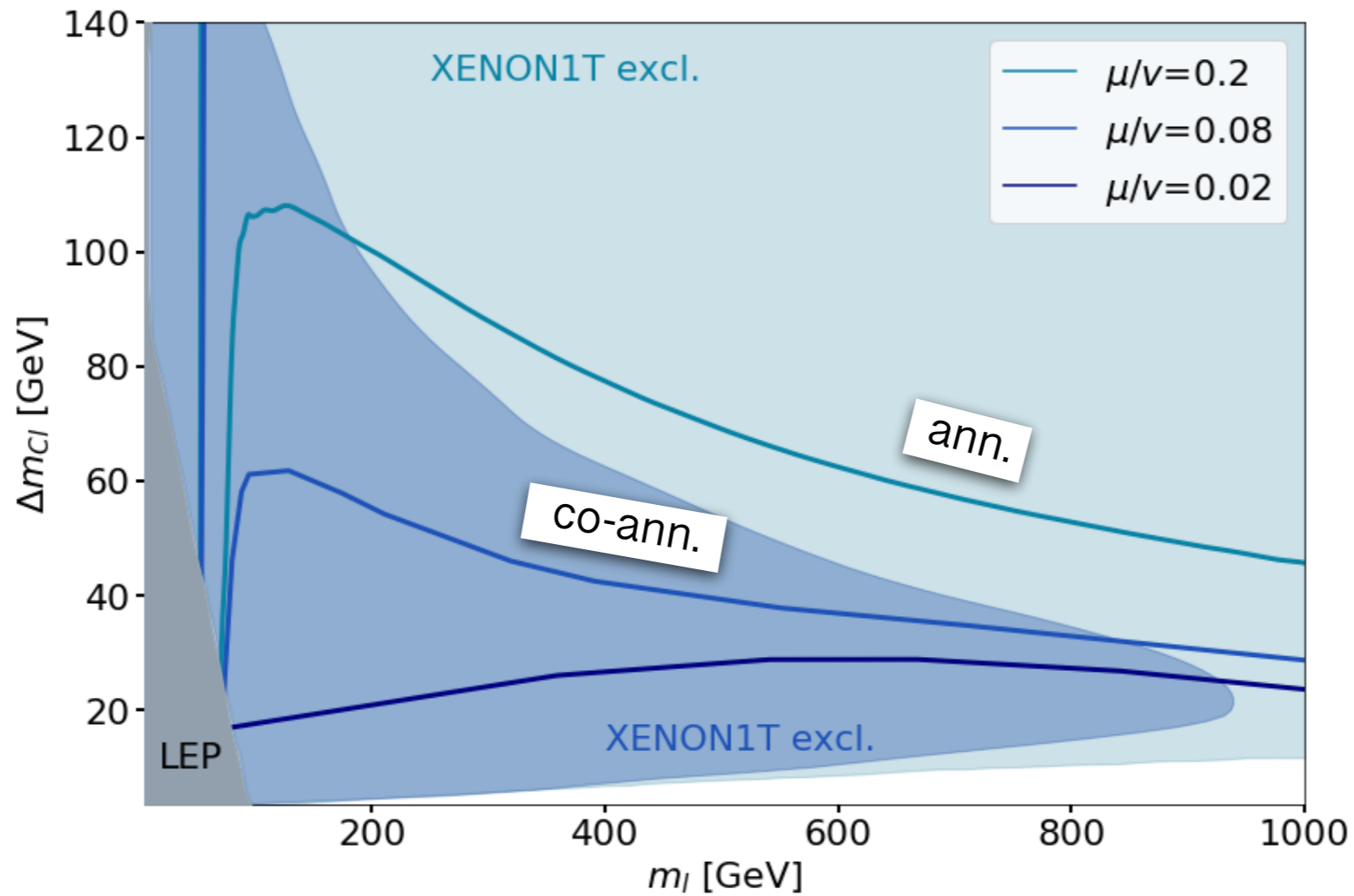
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Annihilation



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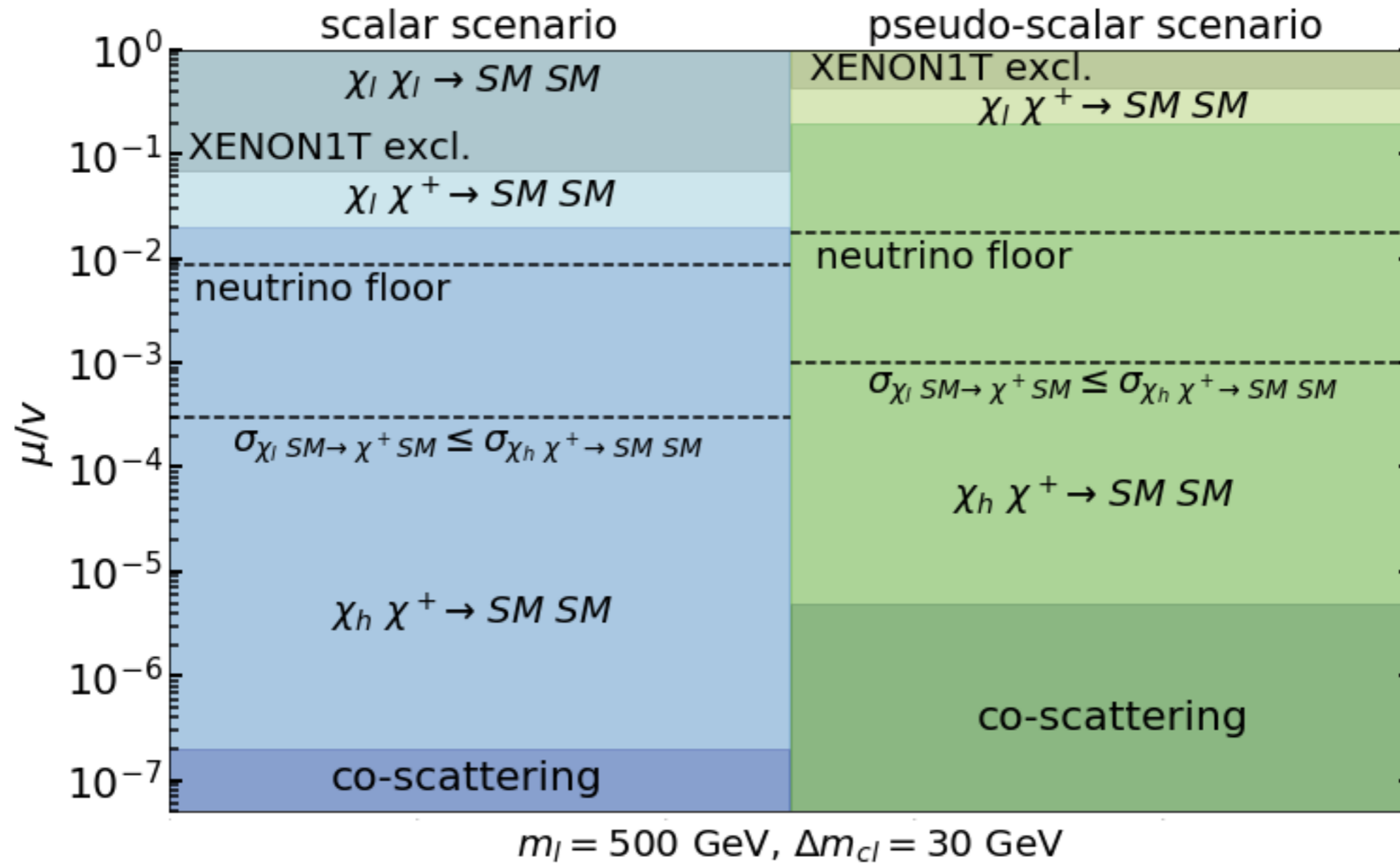
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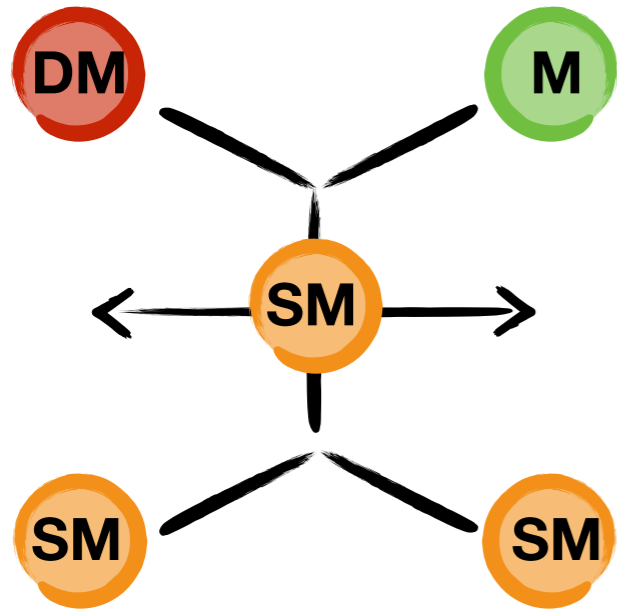
Is a common feature of theories with nontrivial dark sector in a small-coupling regime

see [1904.07513], [1705.08450] and [1705.09292] as an example

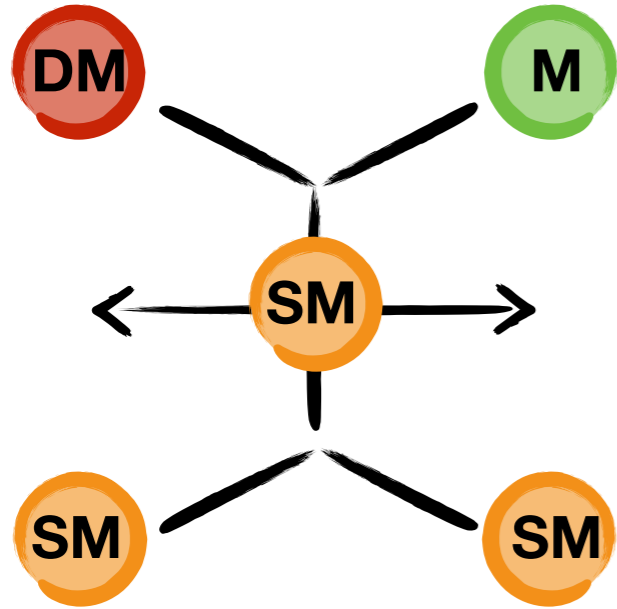
Small-coupling regime: phases



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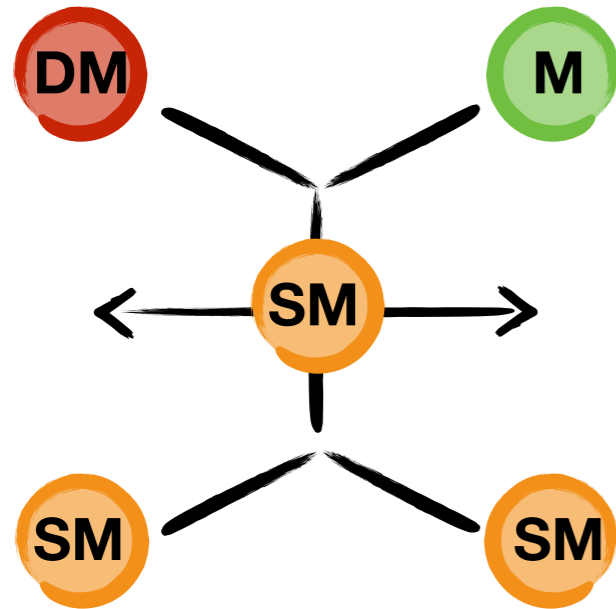


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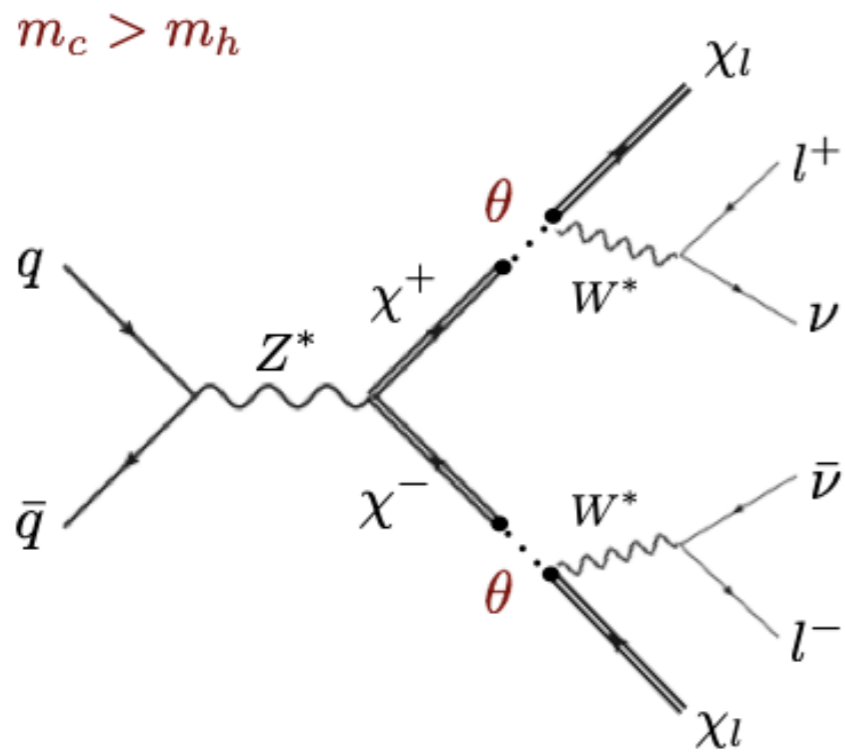
- Both dark states present at decoupling—**compressed spectrum.**

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{M} \\ \mathbf{DM} \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \text{—————} \\ \text{—————} \end{array} \quad \frac{\Delta m}{m} \simeq 10\%$$

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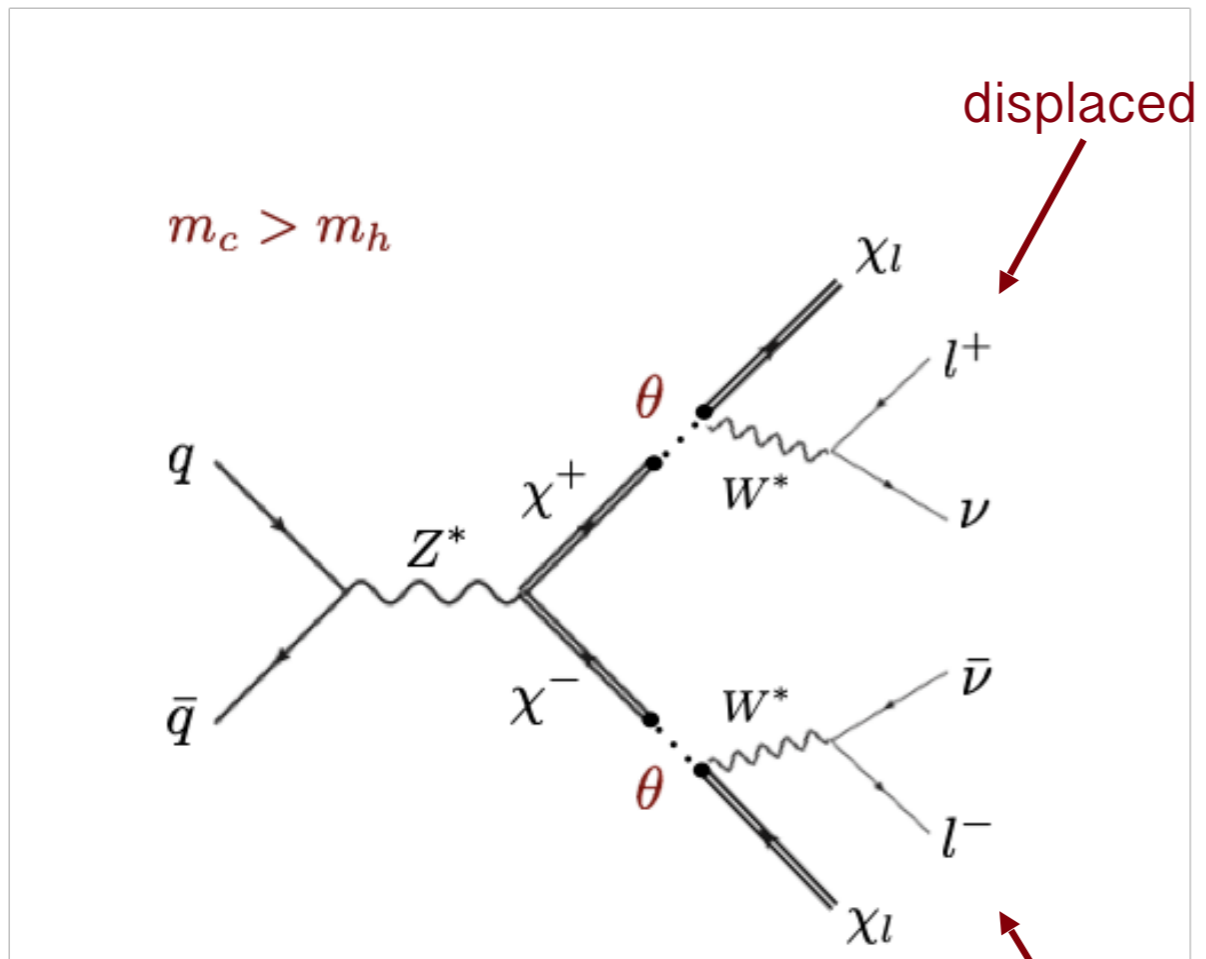
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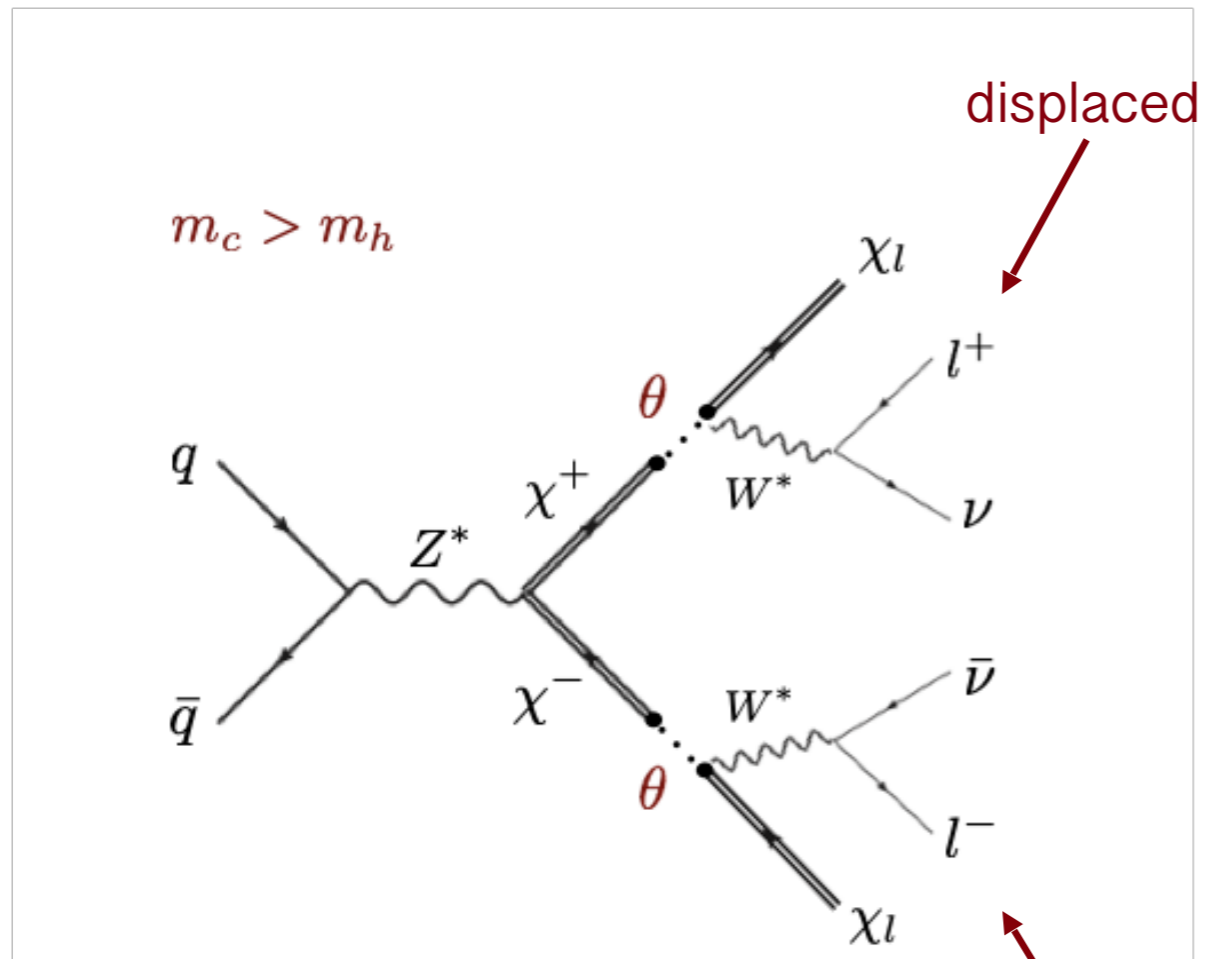
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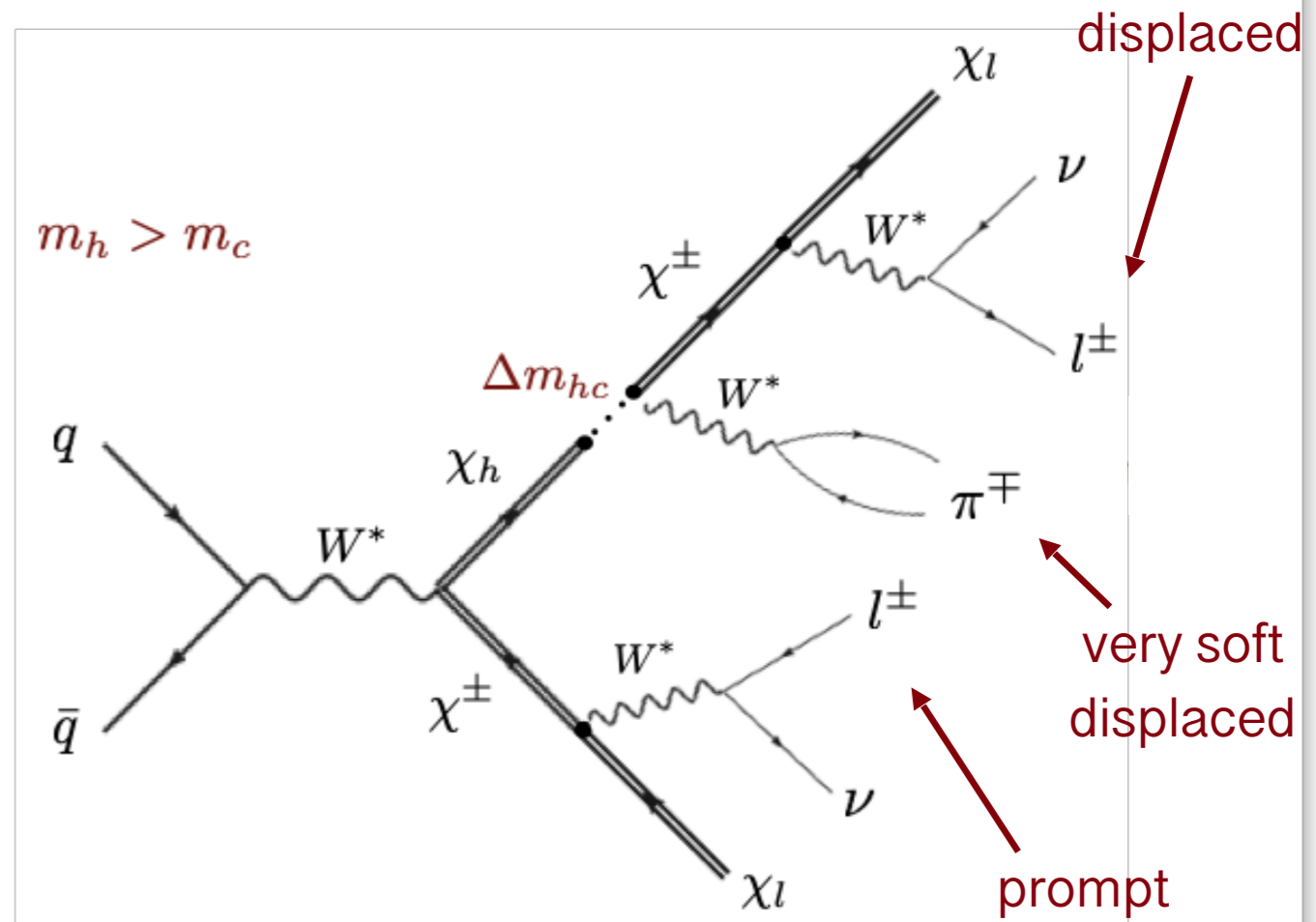
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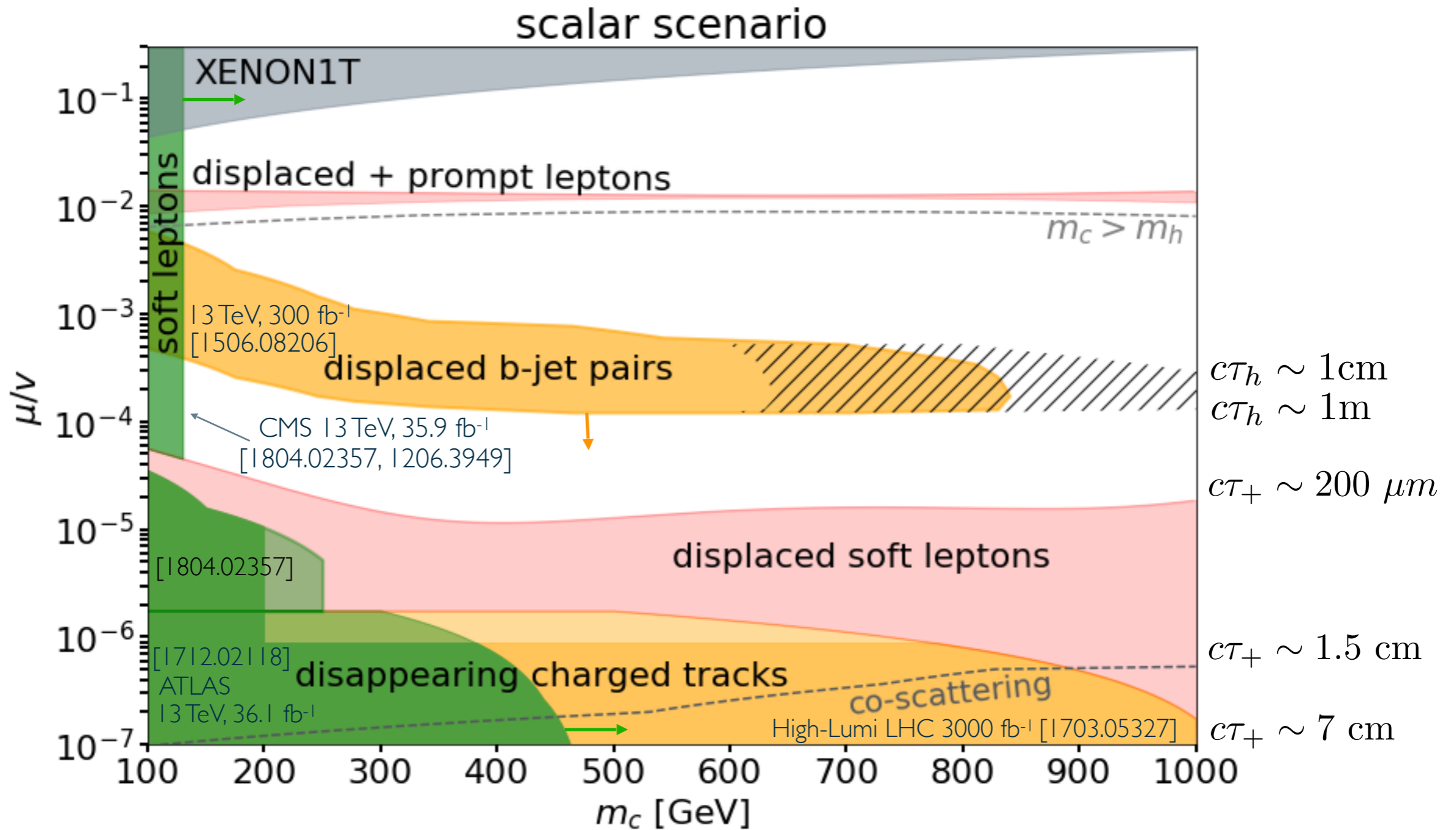
Displaced soft leptons + prompt jets



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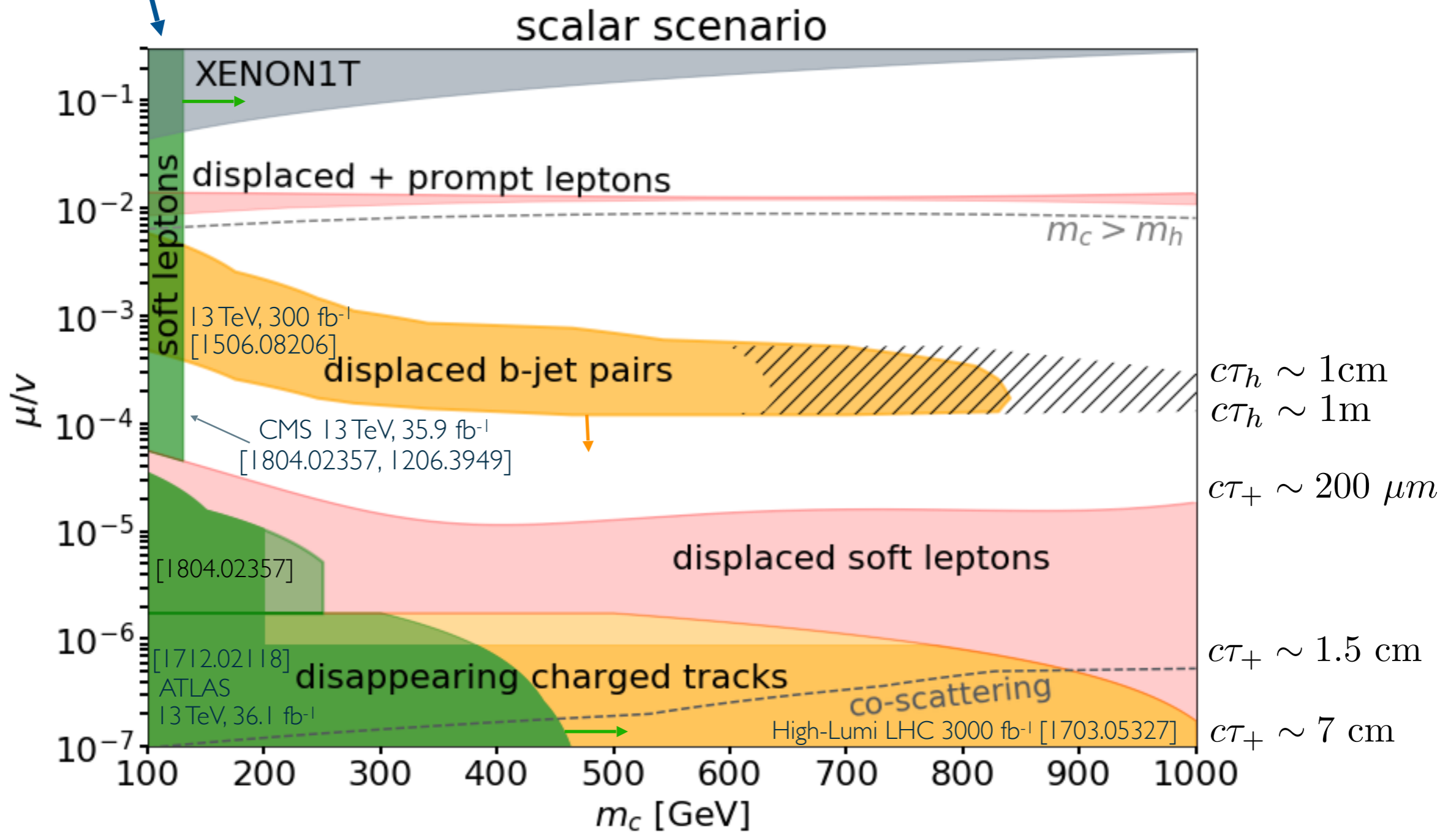
$$\Delta M_{+,h} \text{ arbitrarily small}$$

Collider searches

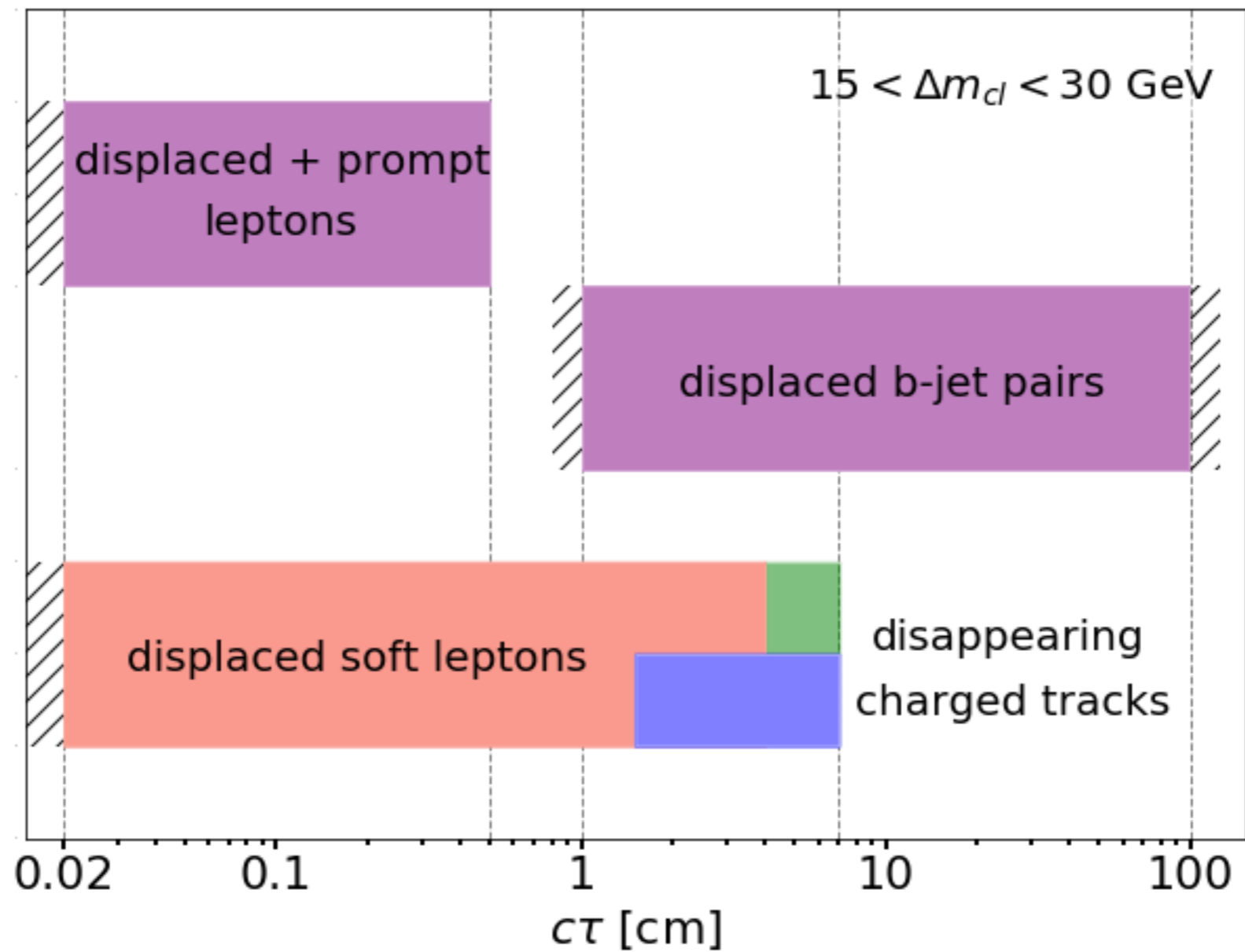


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Prompt searches can not help



Lifetimes accessible @ LHC



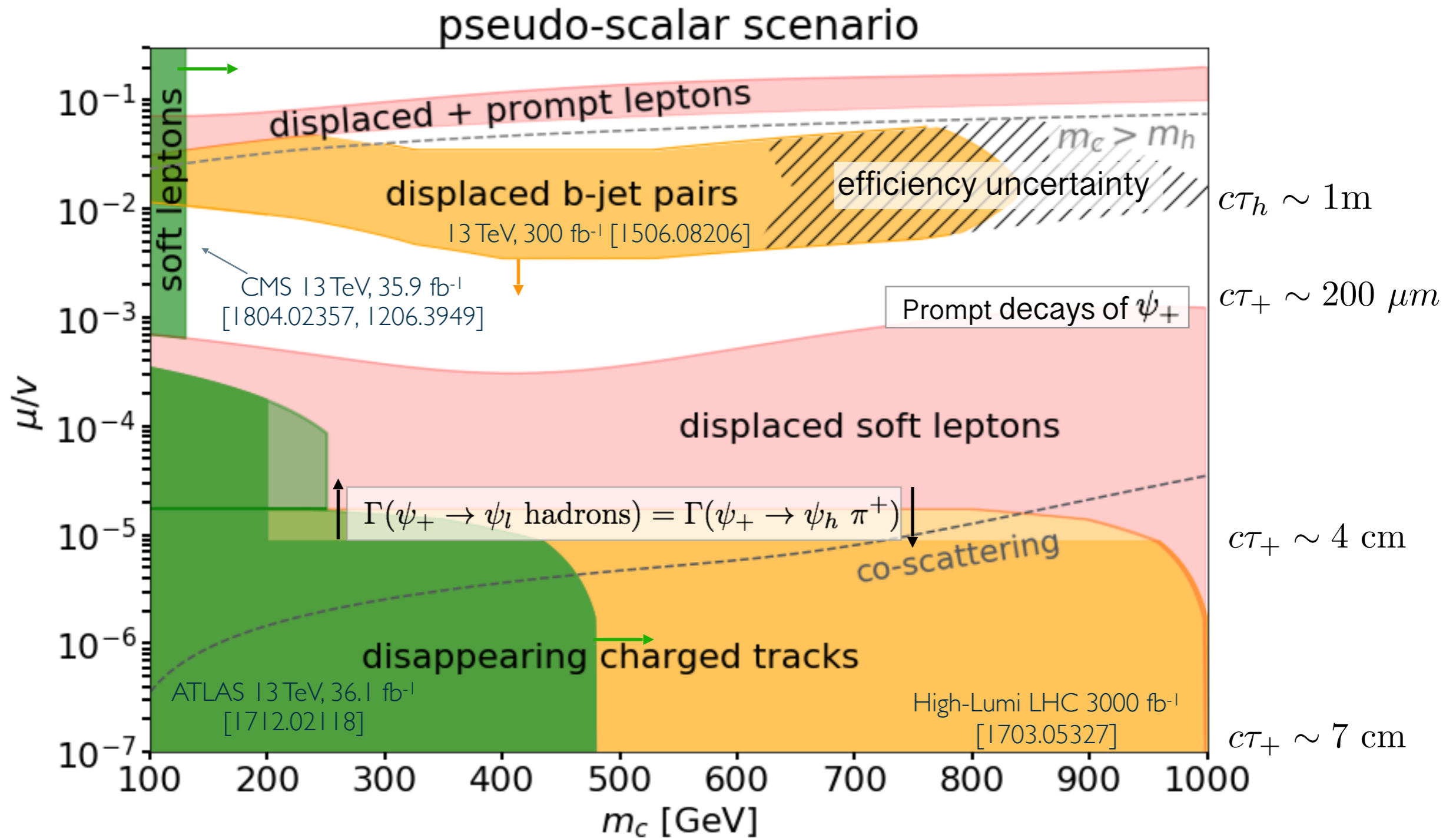
Summary

- The singlet-triplet Higgs portal is a minimal fermionic extension to the SM weak sector with a naturally small coupling.
- There are two physical scenarios in this model: with scalar (vector) and pseudo-scalar (axial-vector) couplings to Higgs (W bosons) which are phenomenologically different.
- Due to strong direct detection constraints, the thermal relic abundance of dark matter is set by mediator annihilation and co-scattering processes.
- This also leads to a natural appearance of the long-lived states. The most promising collider signatures involve displaced particles.
- New searches are needed to conclusively test this scenario: displaced soft leptons, appearing tracks, etc.

Thank you!

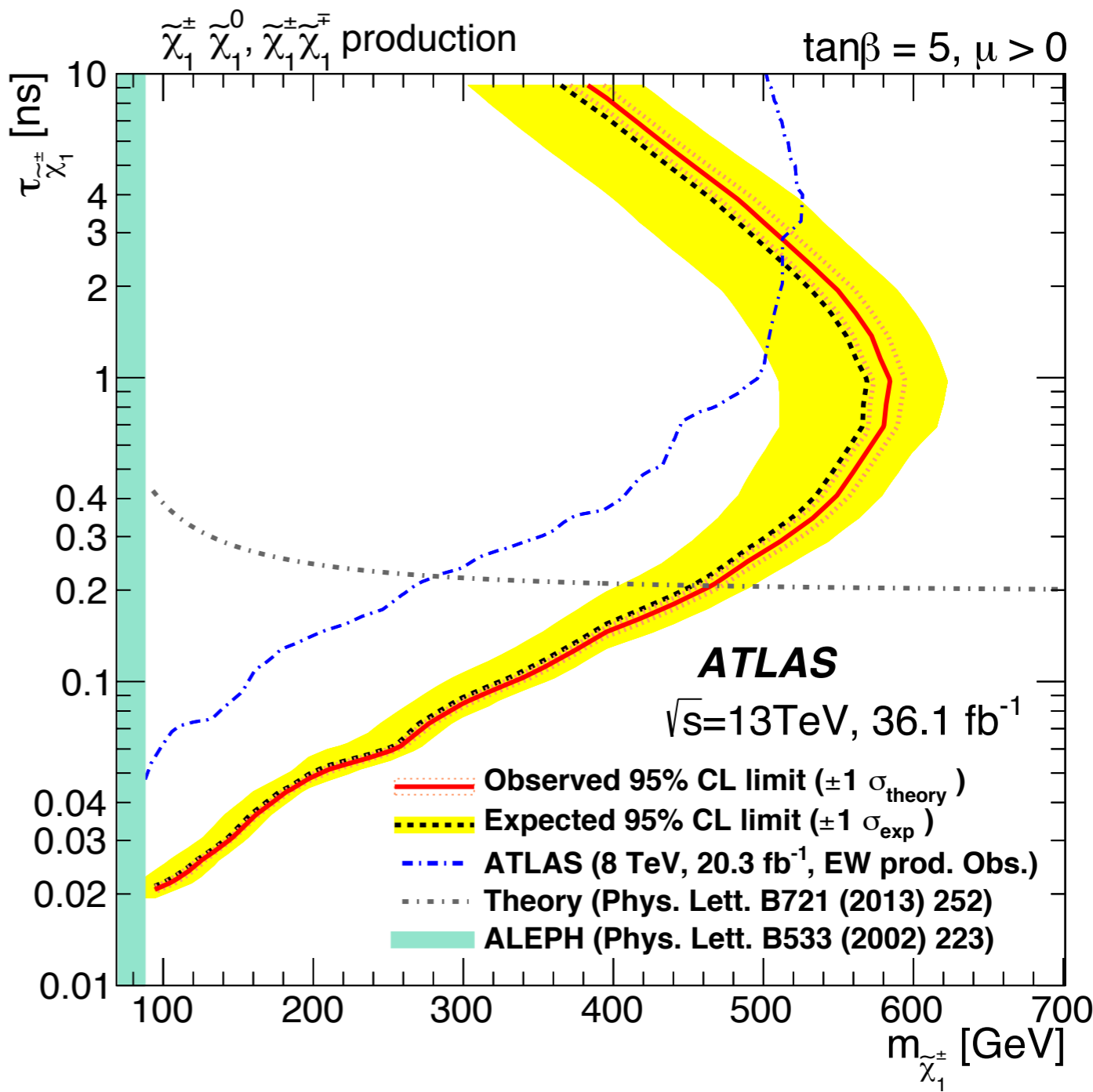
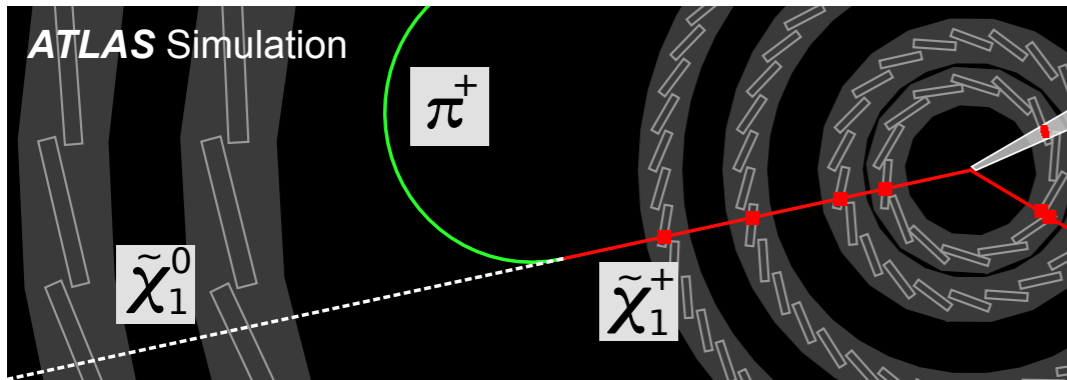
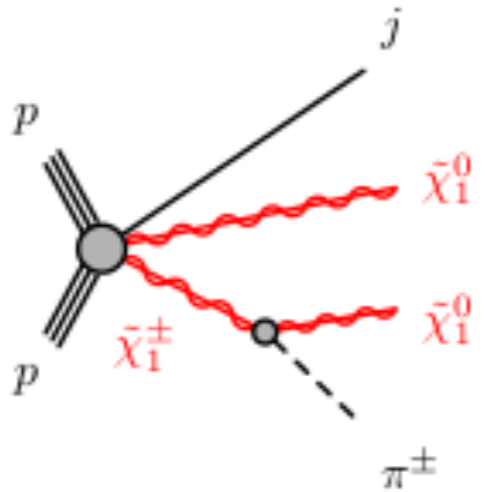
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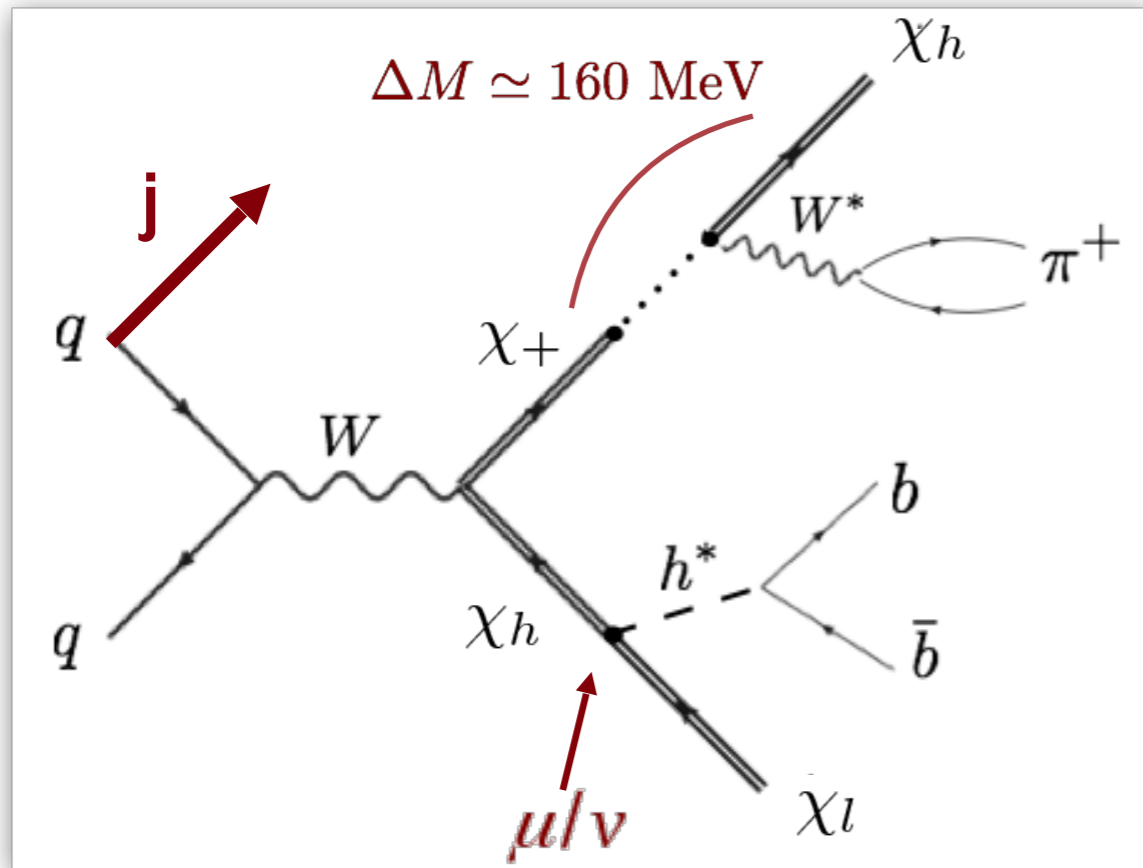


Disappearing charged tracks

Charged mediator leaves track in the inner detector



LHC: prompt and displaced soft particles



Displaced jets

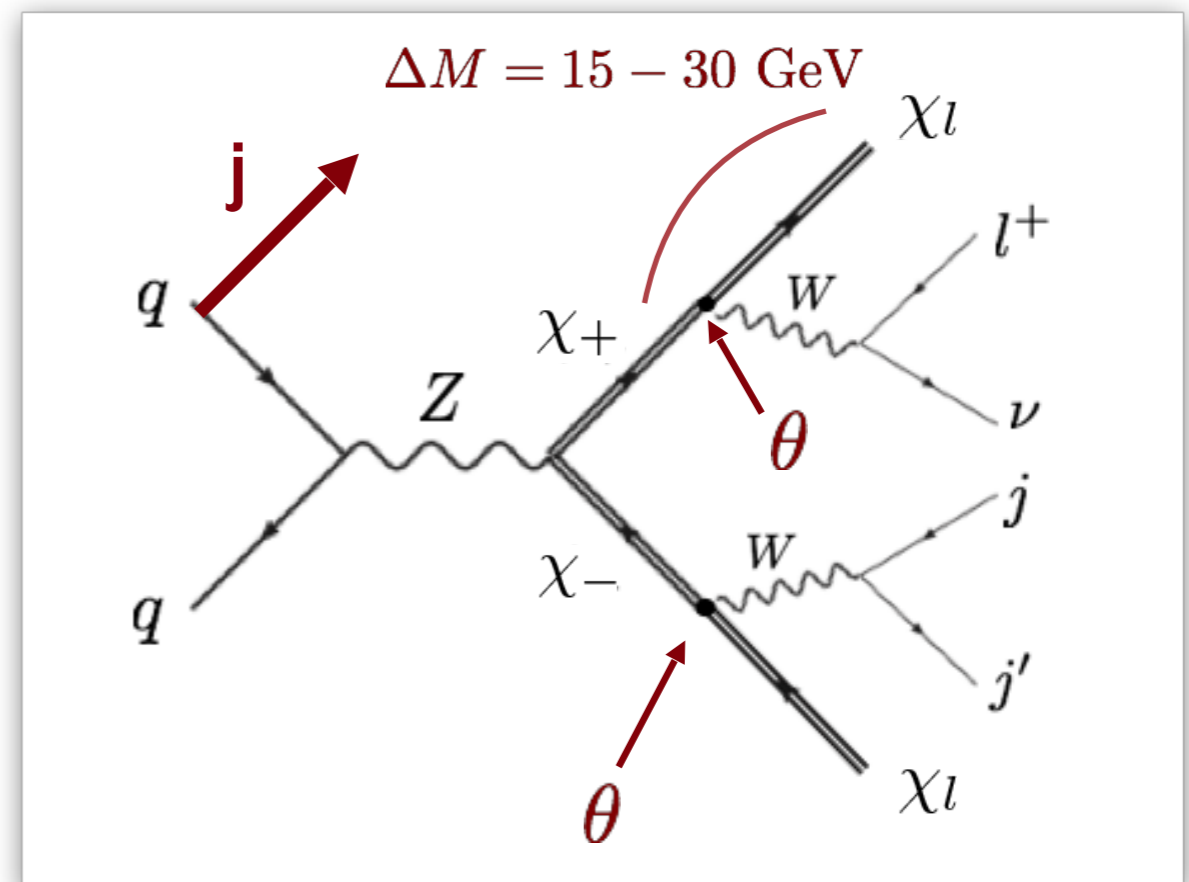
Nagata, Otono, Shirai [1506.08206]

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Soft leptons

Bharuchaa, Brümmer, Desai [1804.02357]
CMS [1206.3949]



Going to the mass basis: two cases

Scalar scenario

$$m_S > \mu^2/m_T$$

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$$m_{h,\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \left(m_T + m_S \pm \Delta m_{h\ell} \right)$$

$$m_c = m_T$$

Pseudo-scalar scenario

$$m_S < \mu^2/m_T$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \chi_\ell \\ \chi_h \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \chi_S^0 + \sin \theta i\gamma_5 \chi_T^0 \\ \sin \theta i\gamma_5 \chi_S^0 + \cos \theta \chi_T^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

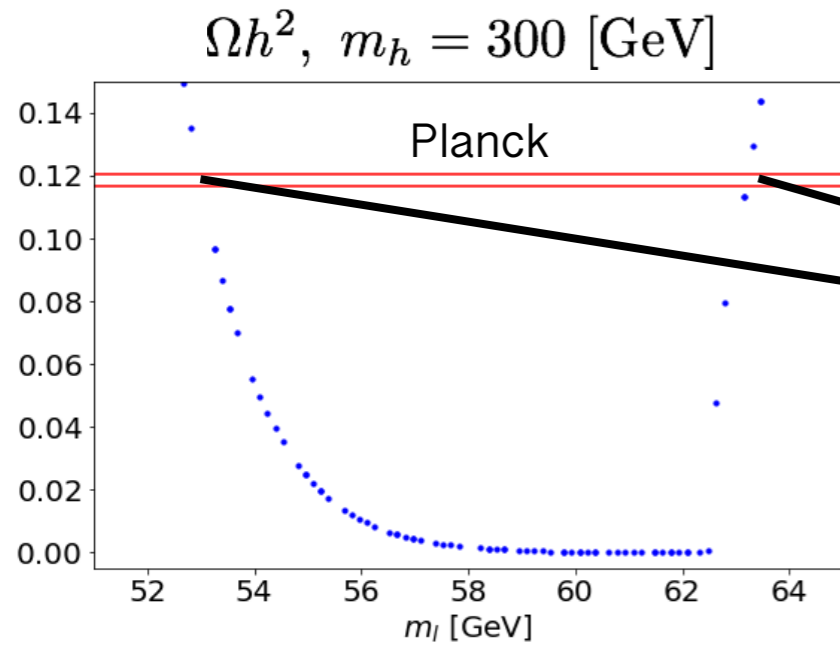
$$m'_{h,\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\Delta m_{h\ell} \pm (m_T + m_S) \right) = \pm m_{h,\ell}$$

$$m_c = m_T$$

$$\text{with } \Delta m_{h\ell} = \sqrt{(m_T - m_S)^2 + 4\mu^2} \quad \theta \simeq \frac{\mu}{m_T - m_S}$$

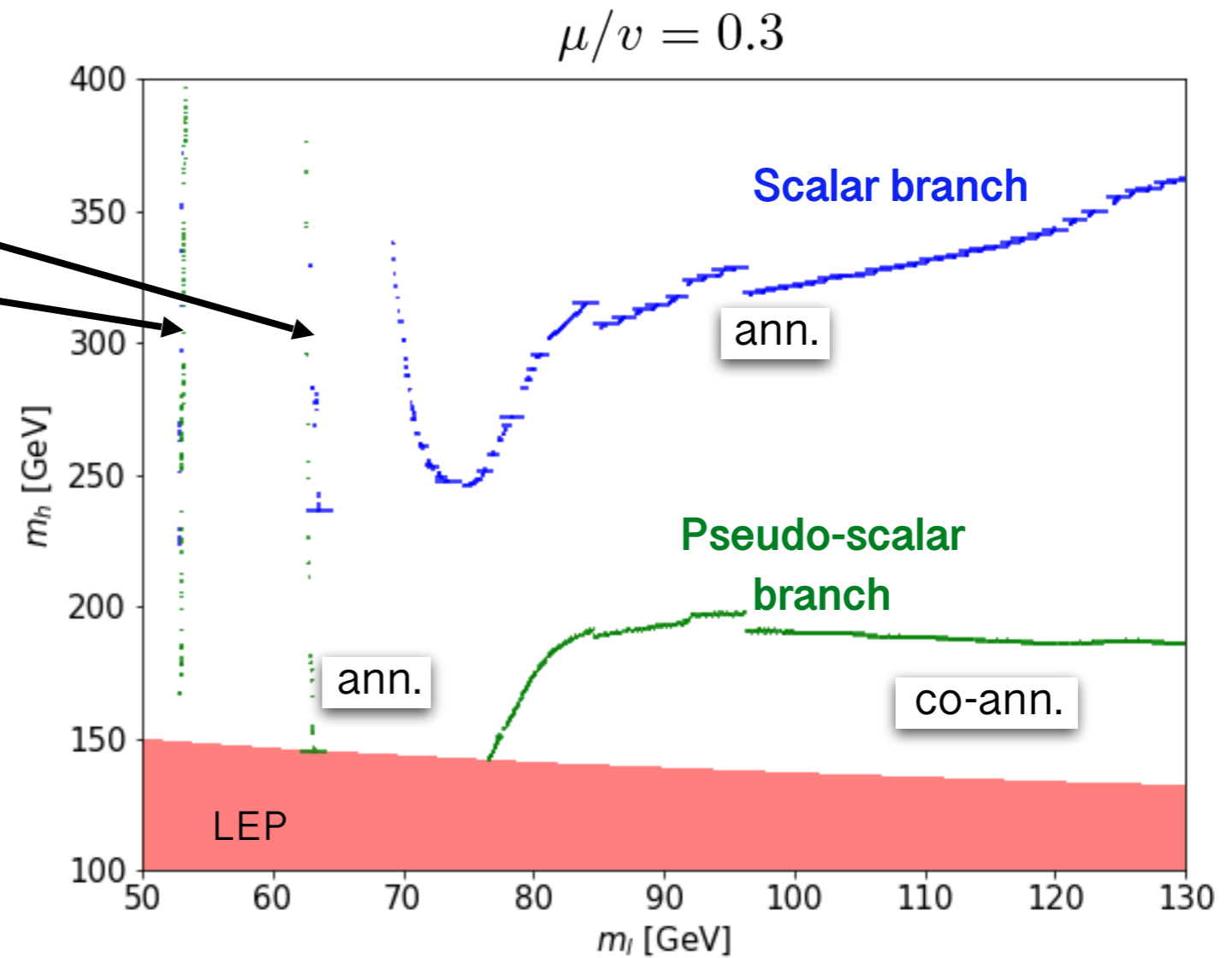
In both scenarios $m_\ell/m'_\ell > 0$

Relic density



Higgs resonance
region

$$\theta \simeq \frac{\mu}{m_T - m_S}$$



Blue/green: $\Omega_\psi h^2 = 0.1199 \pm 0.0022$

[Planck coll., 1502.01589]

Scalar vs. Pseudo-scalar decay rates

$$\Gamma_\psi = \theta^2 G_F^2 \Delta M^x \times \text{PS}$$

ΔM^5 (3-body) or $f_\pi^2 \Delta M^3$ (2-body)

Example:

$$\chi_+ \rightarrow \chi_h \pi^+ : \text{PS} = \left[1 - \left(\frac{m_\pi}{\Delta M} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

For small mass splittings:

