

# Could the $H_0$ Tension be Pointing Toward the Neutrino Mass Mechanism?

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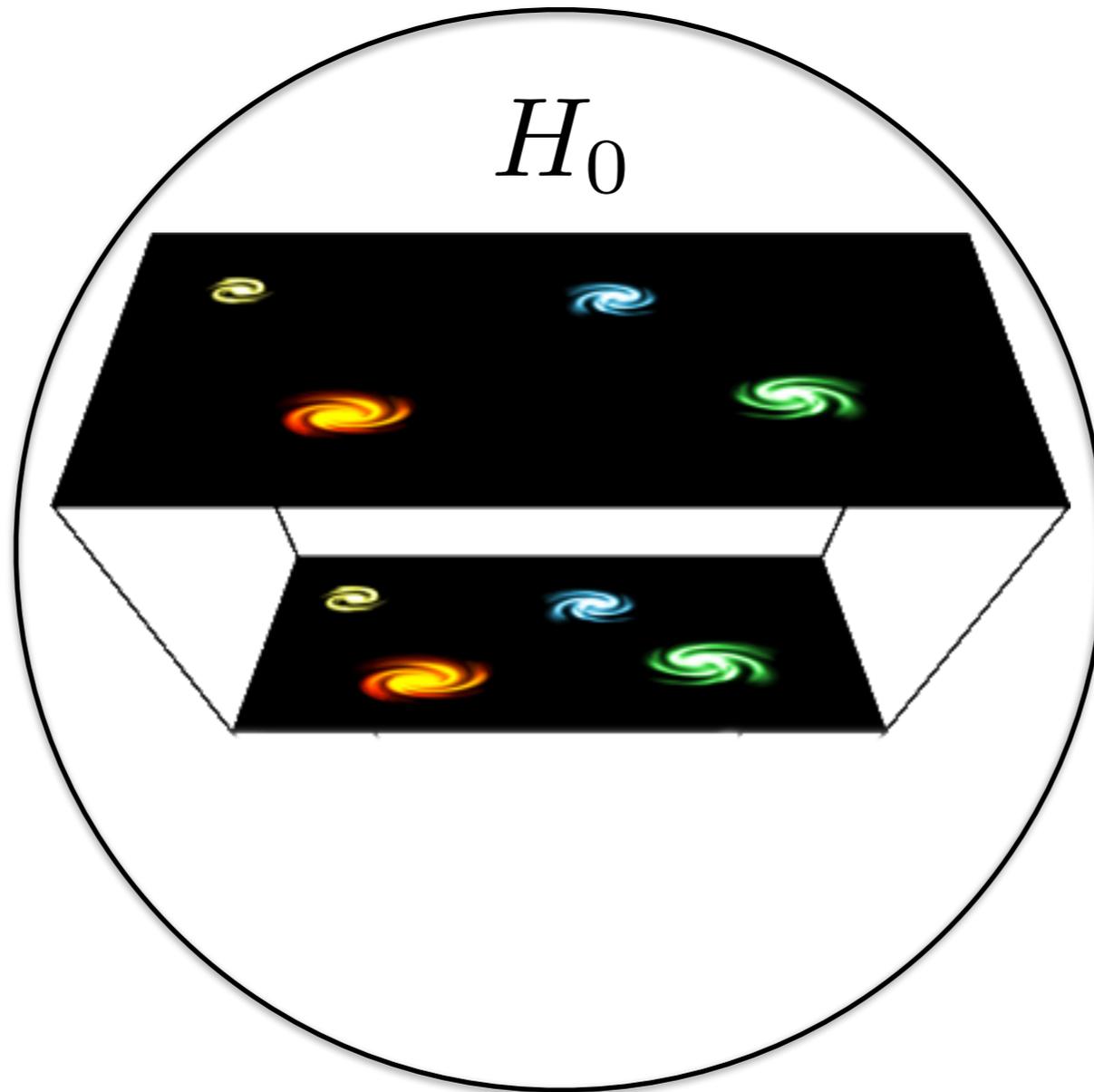
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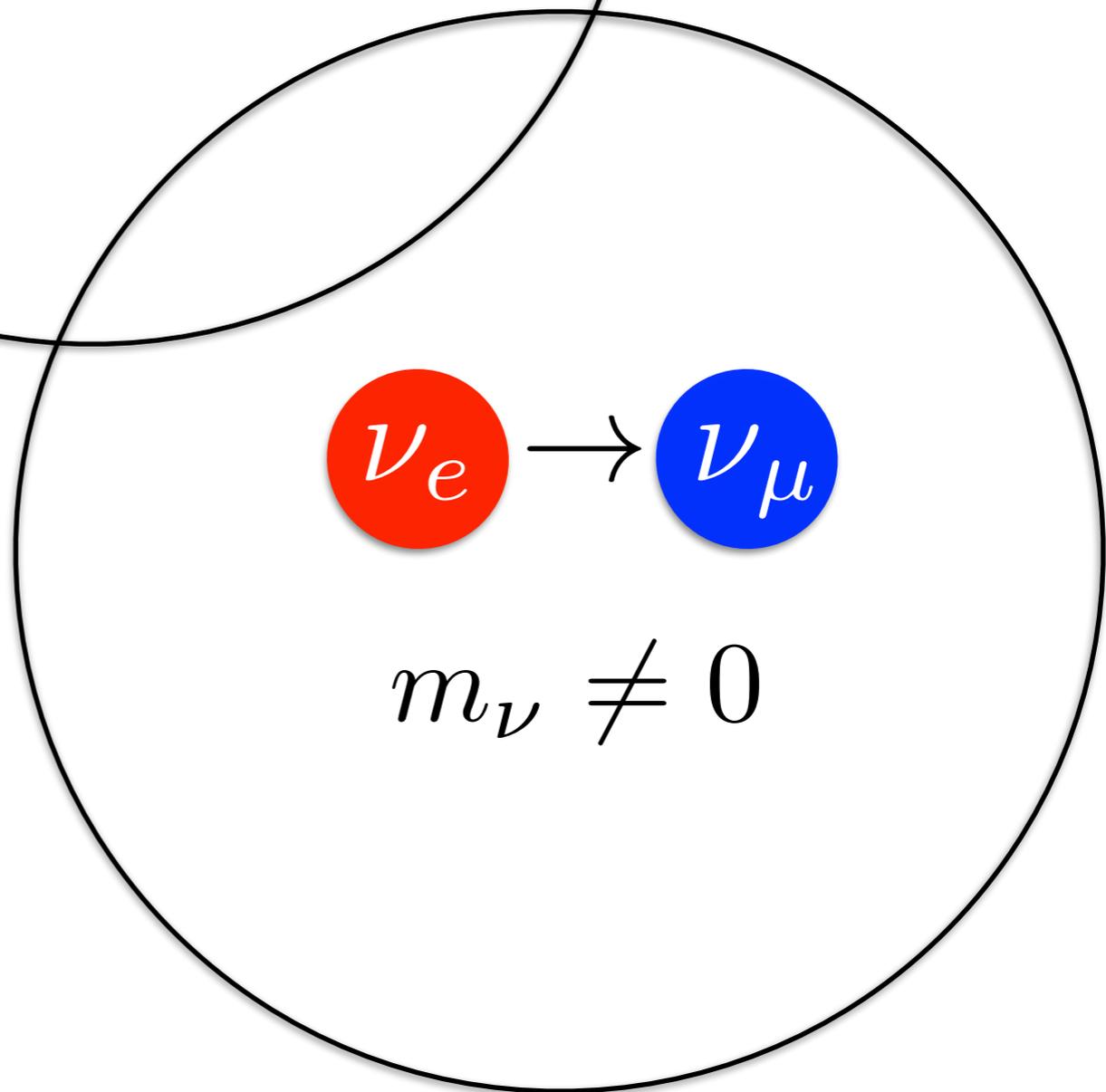
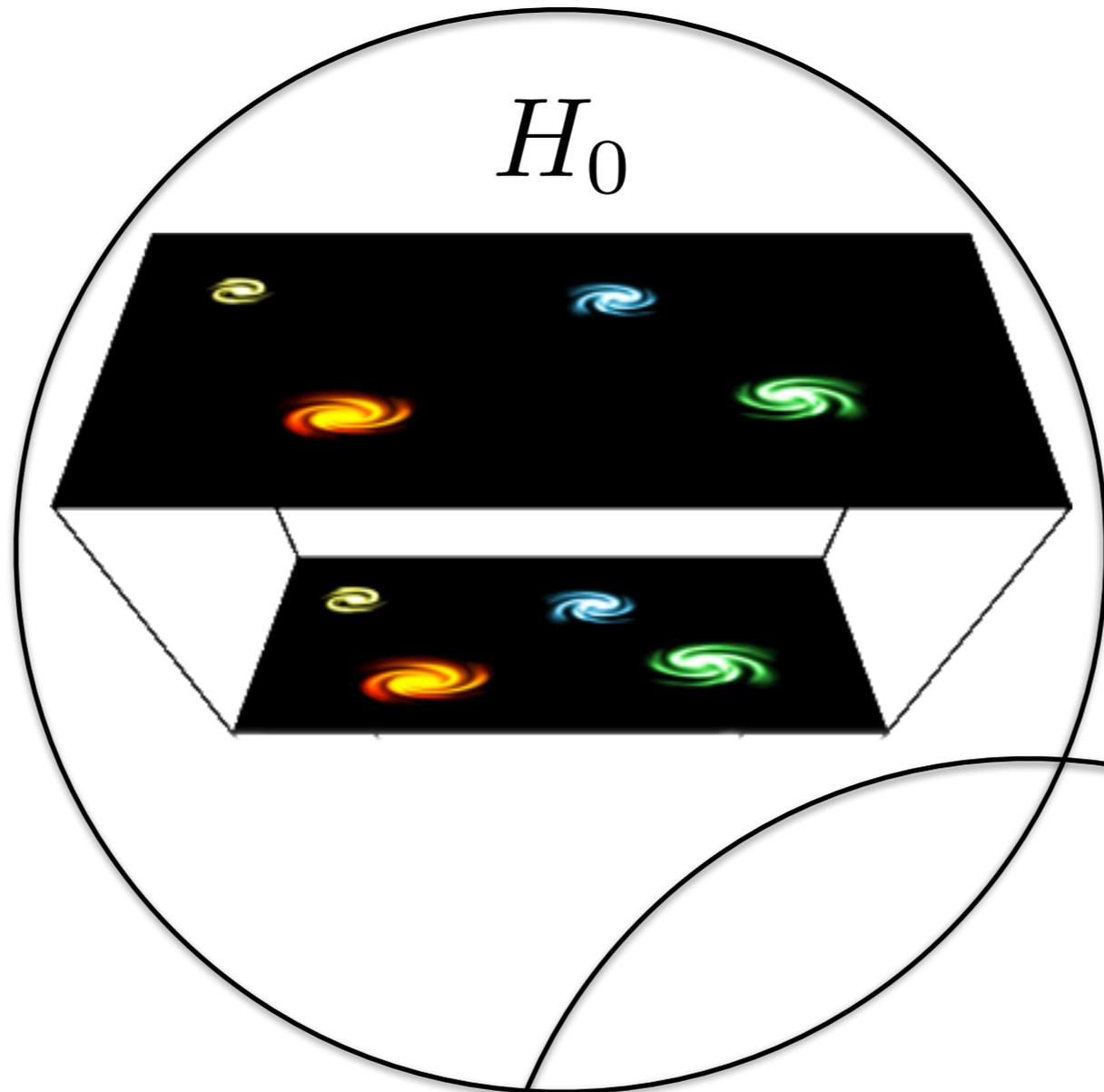
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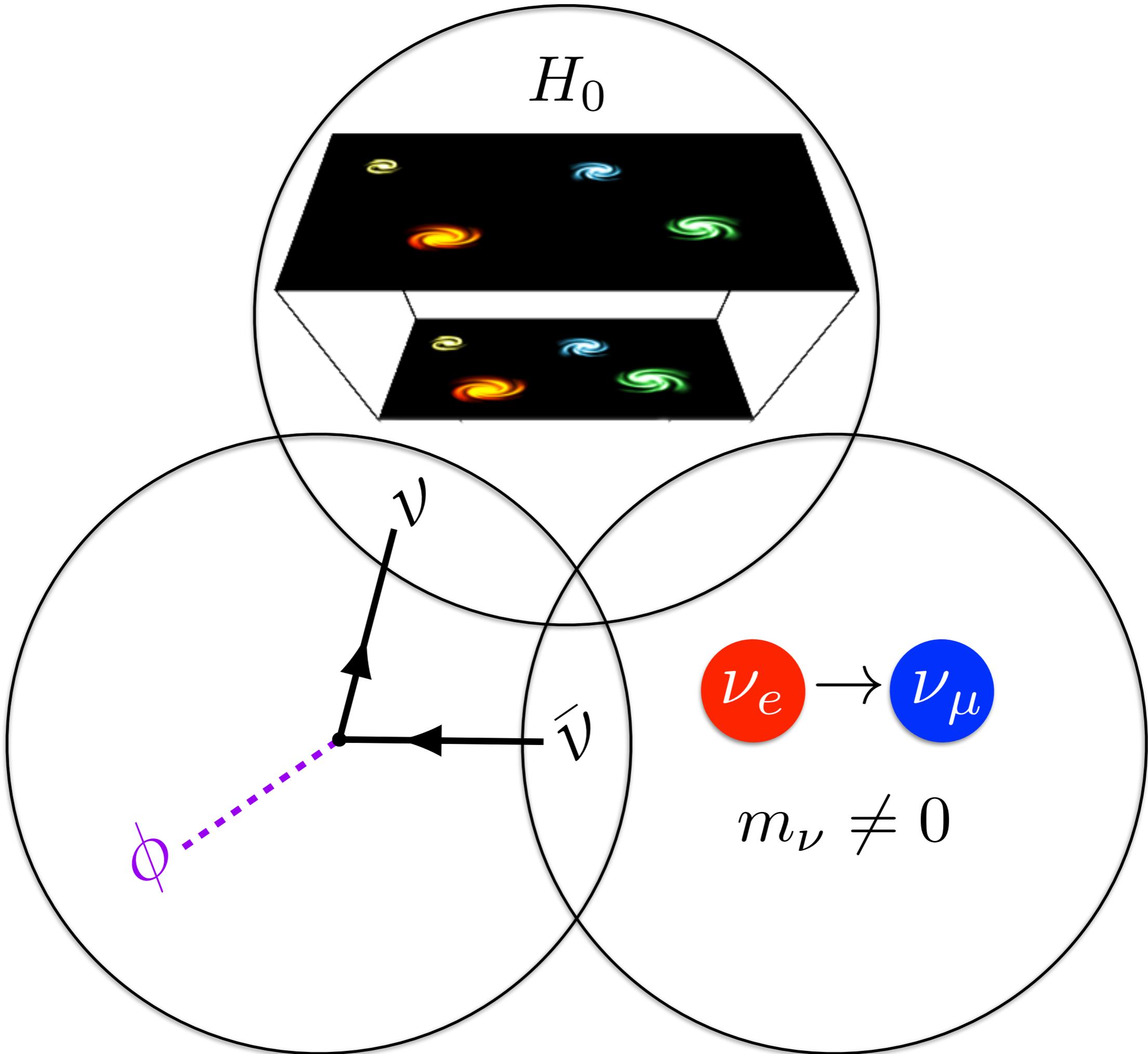


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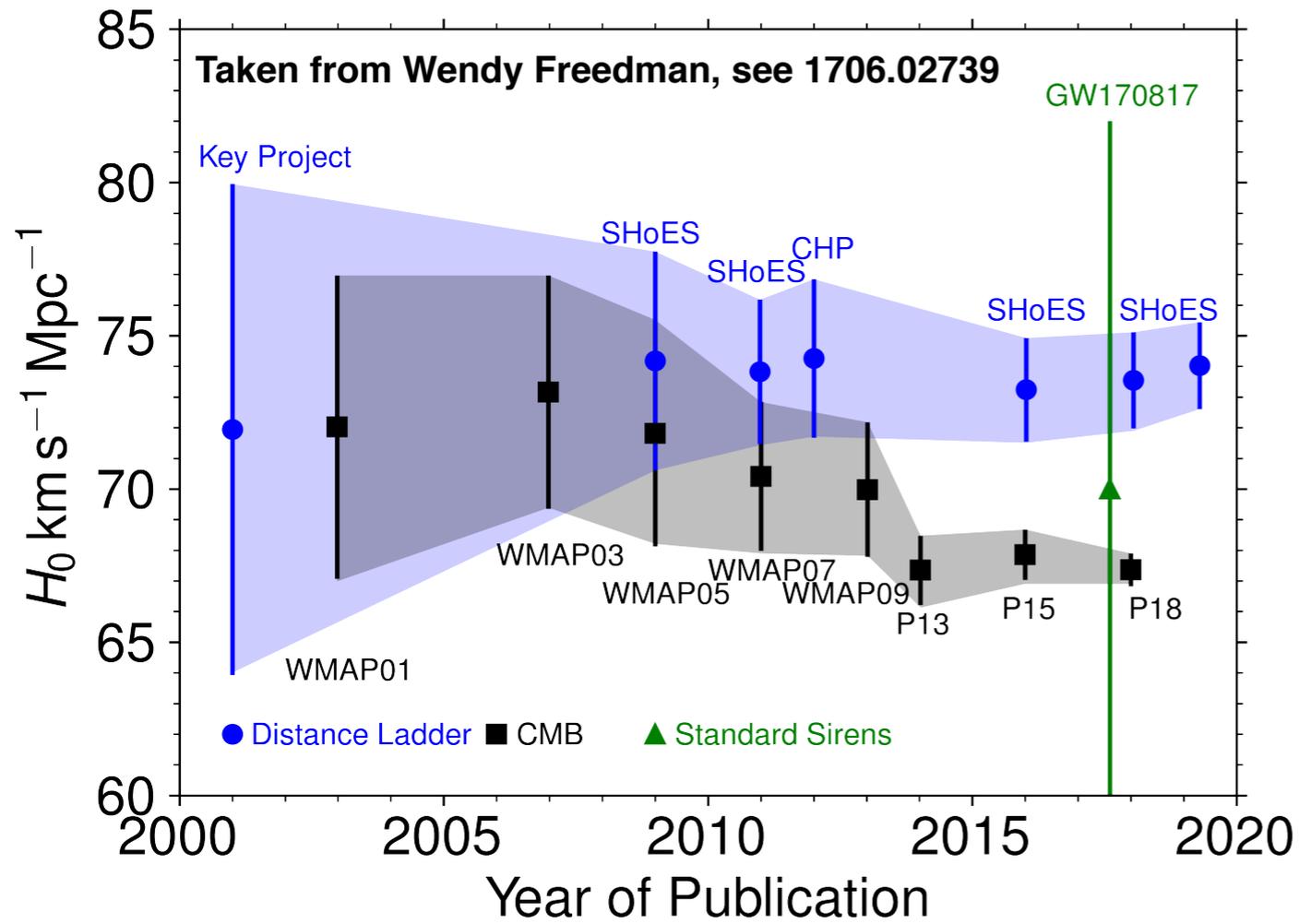
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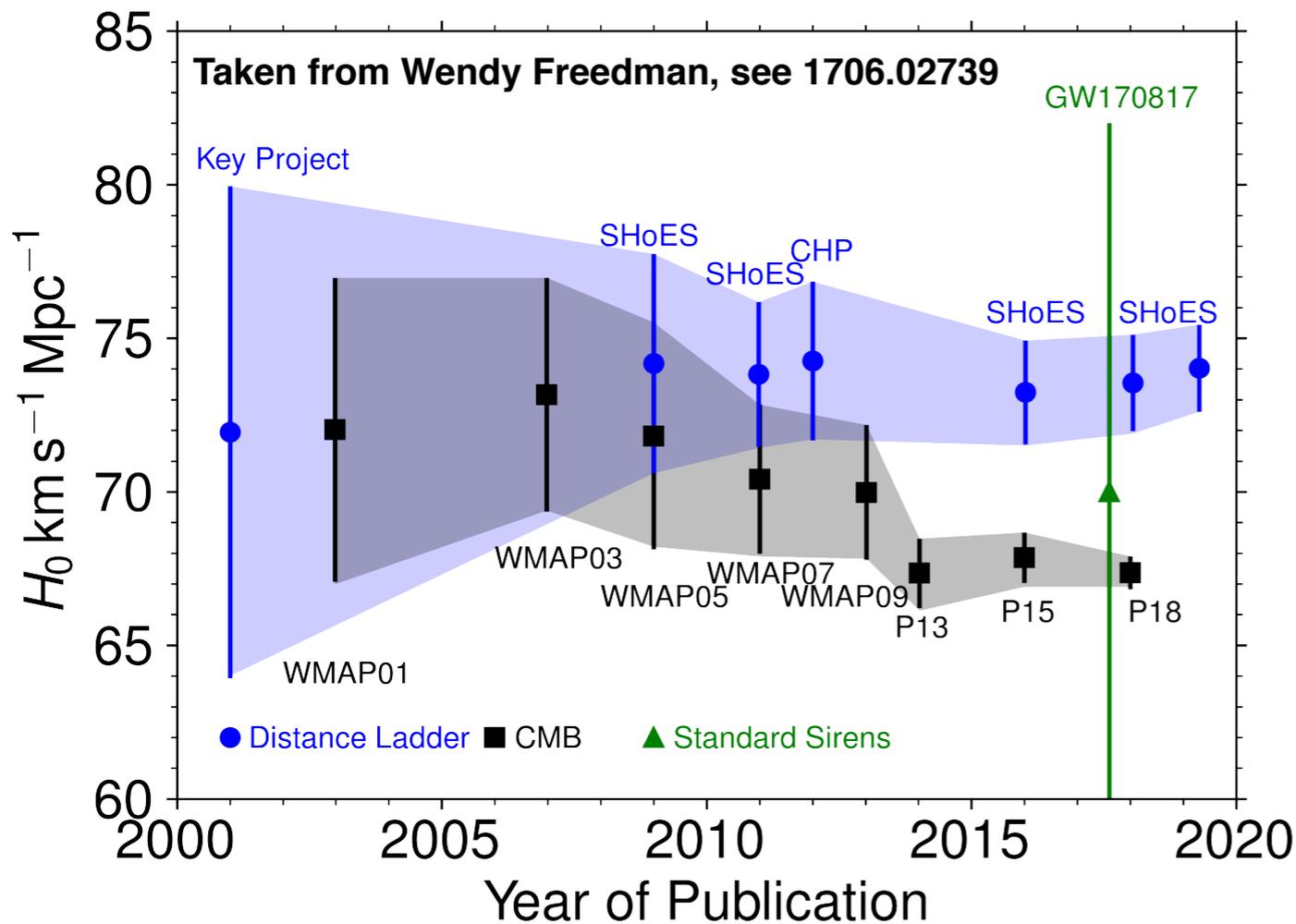
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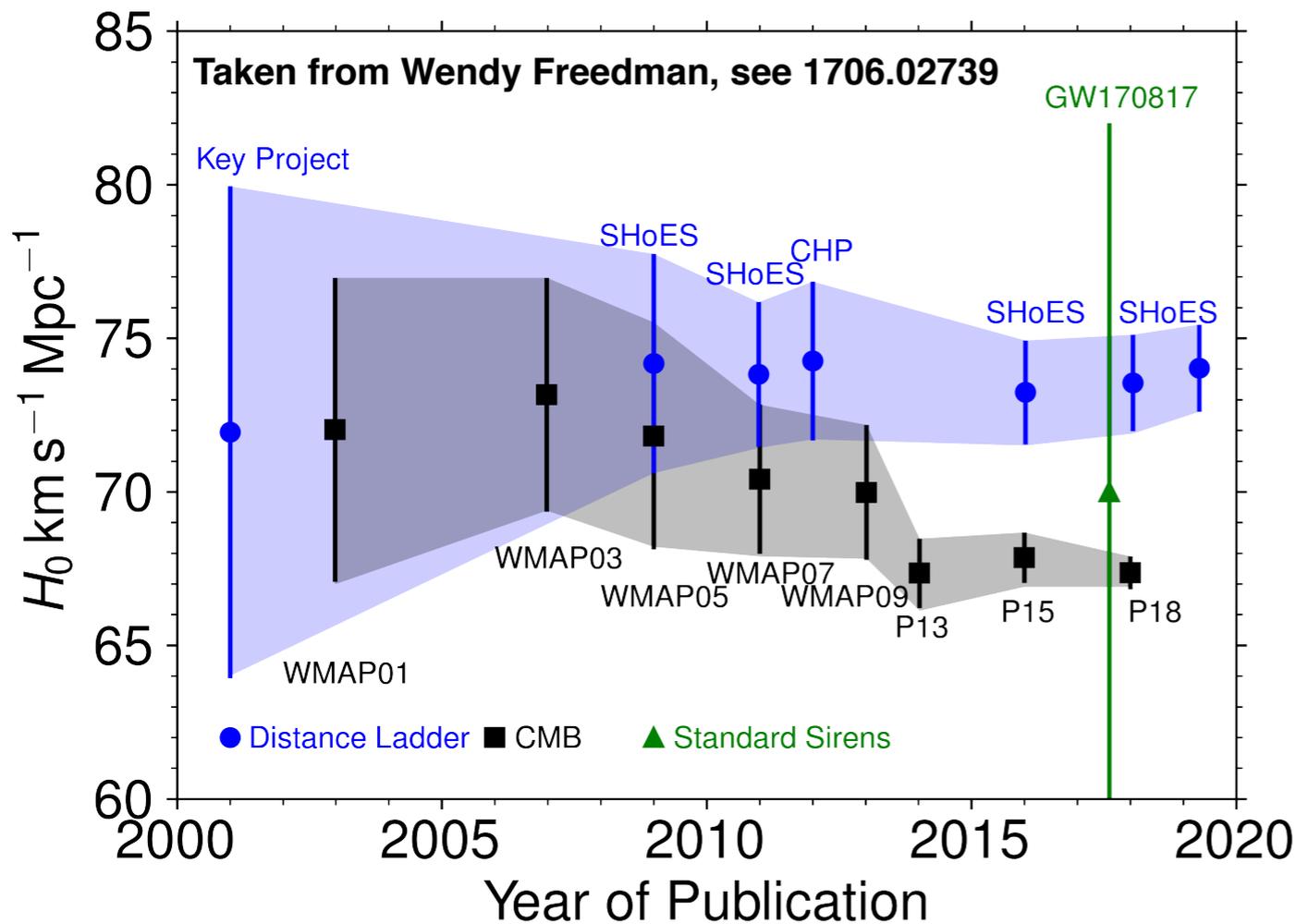
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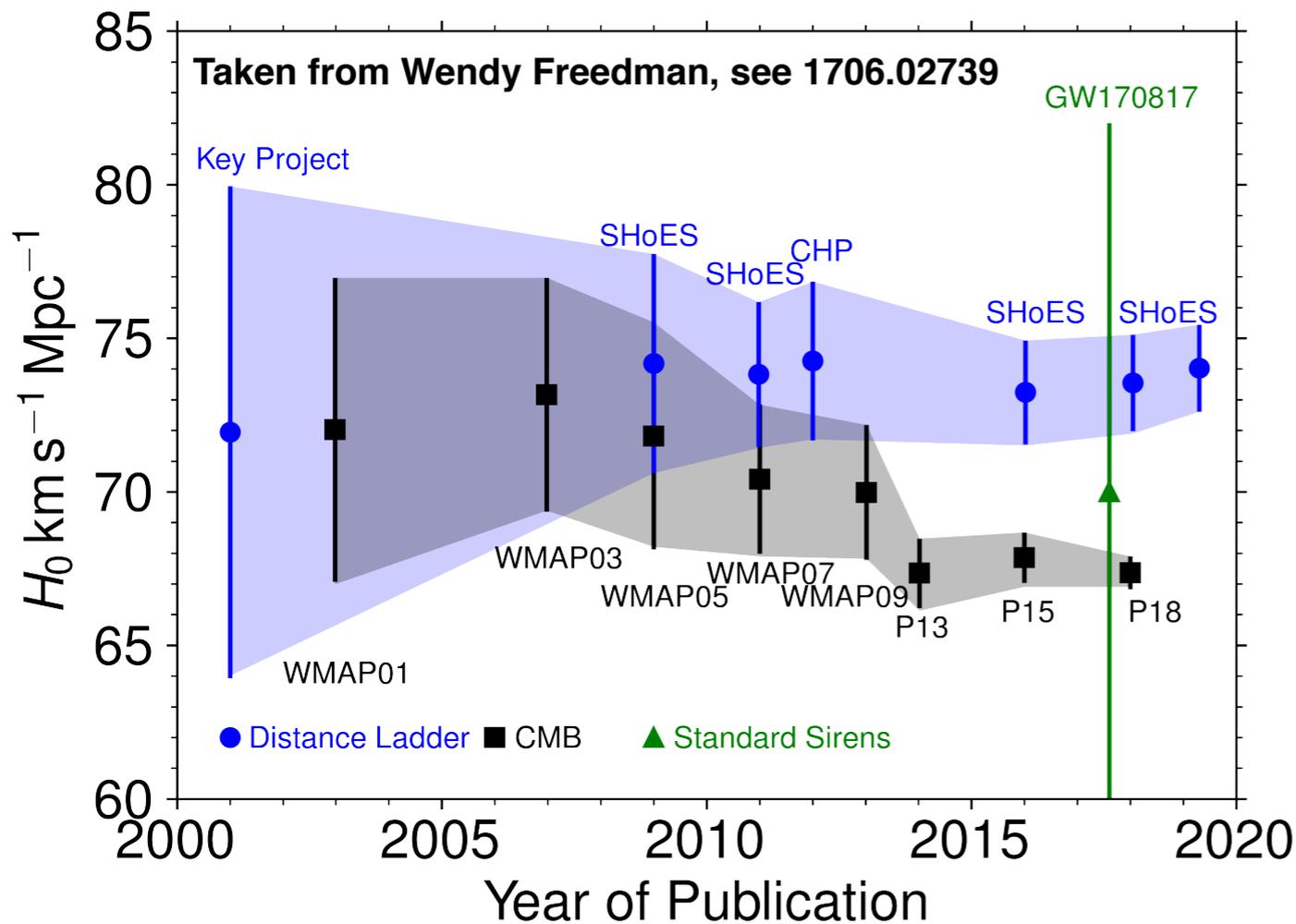
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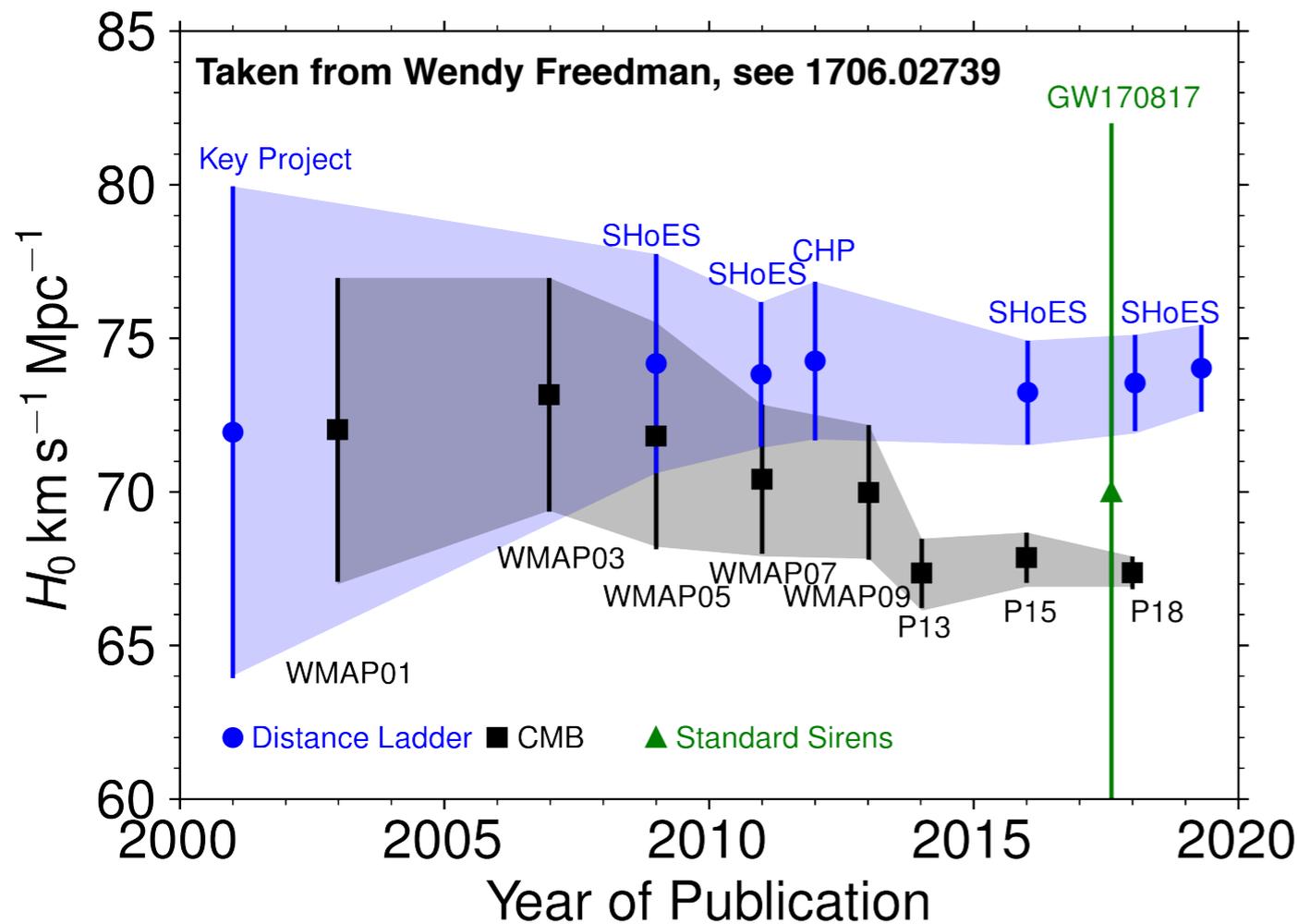
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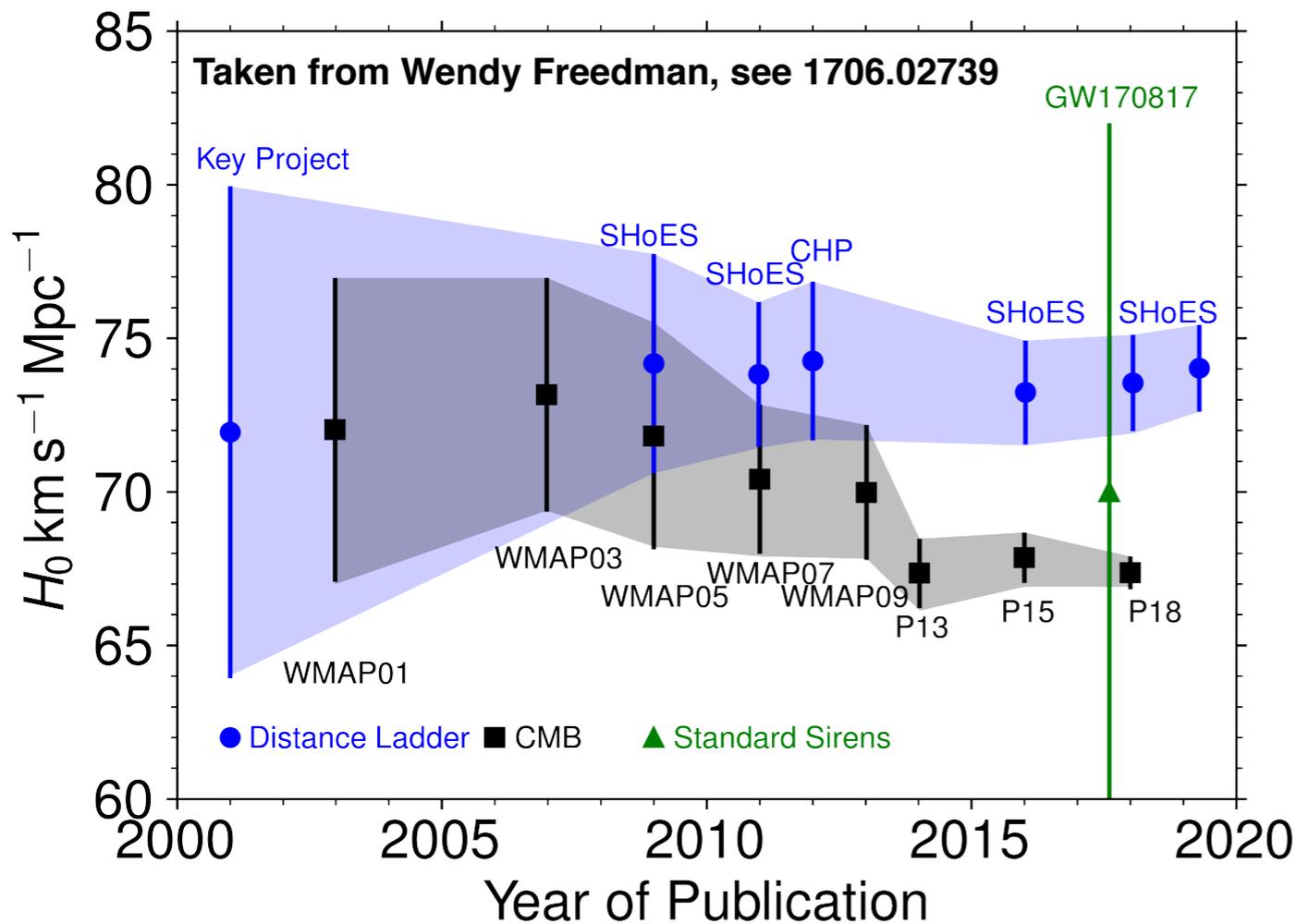
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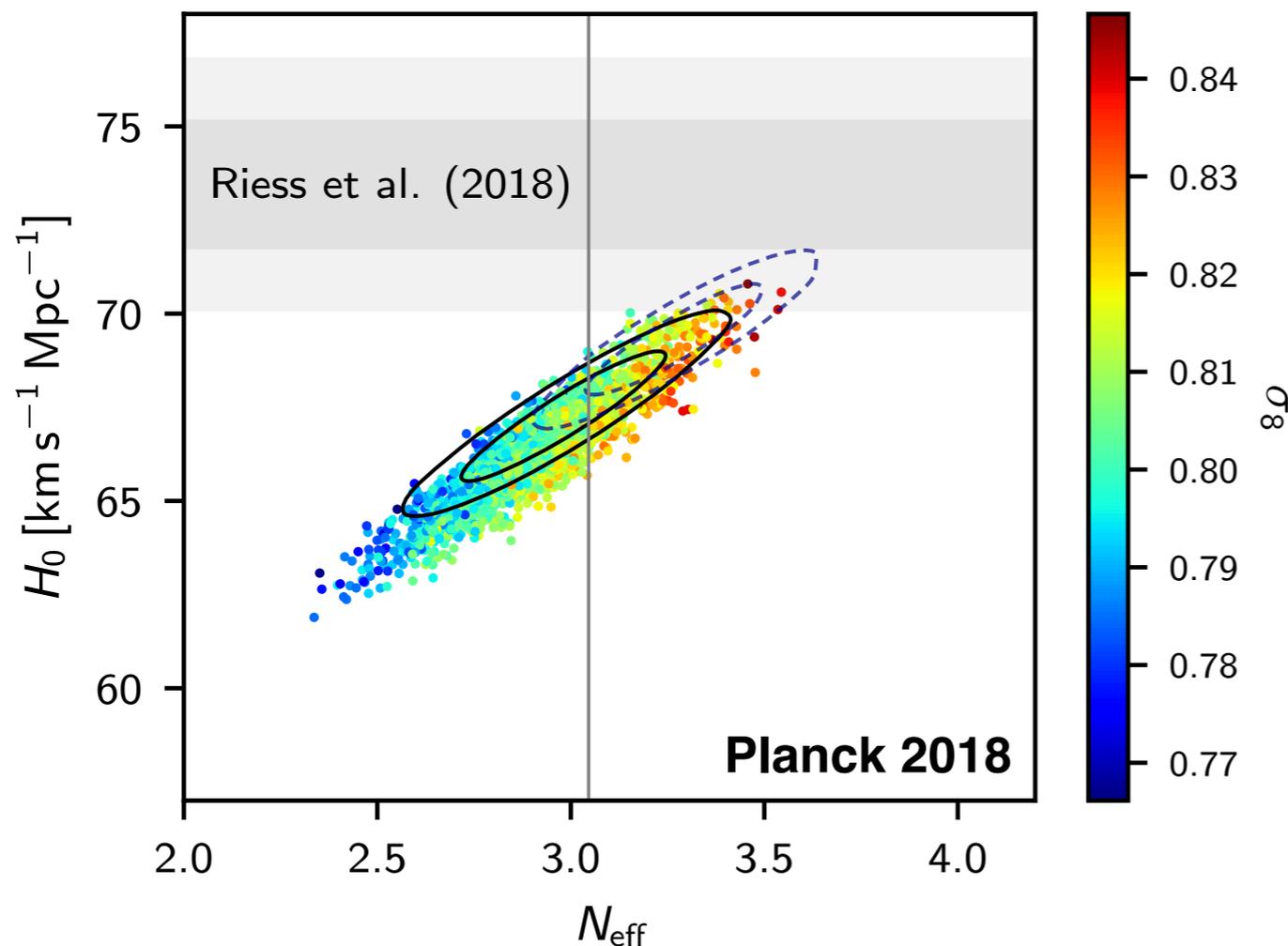
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$$N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{CMB+BAO}} = 2.99 \pm 0.17$$

$$N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{CMB+BAO+}H_0} = 3.27 \pm 0.15$$

$$N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{BBN}} < 3.4 \quad \text{Pitrou et al 1801.08023}$$

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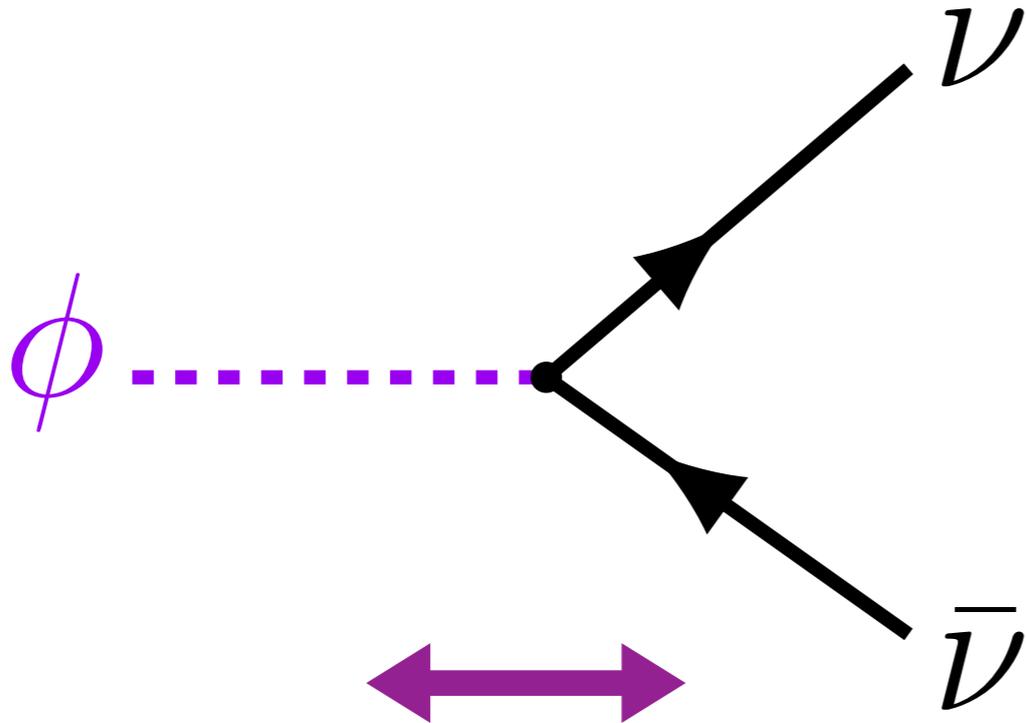
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Parameter Space:  $10^{-15} < \lambda < 10^{-3}$   
 $0.1 \text{ eV} < m_\phi < \text{MeV}$

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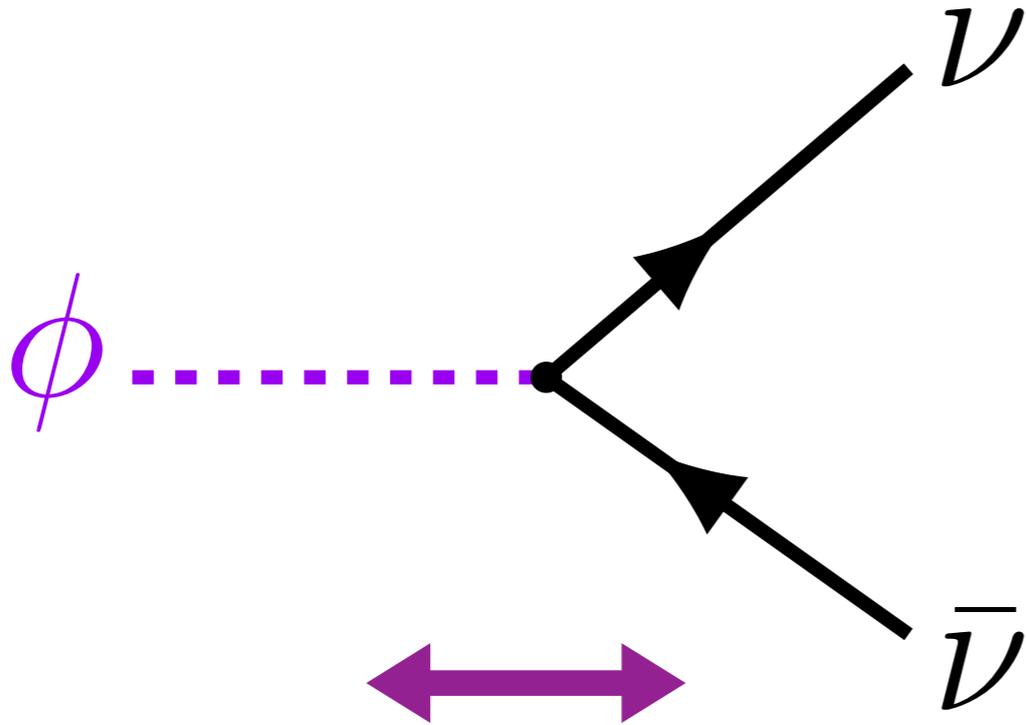
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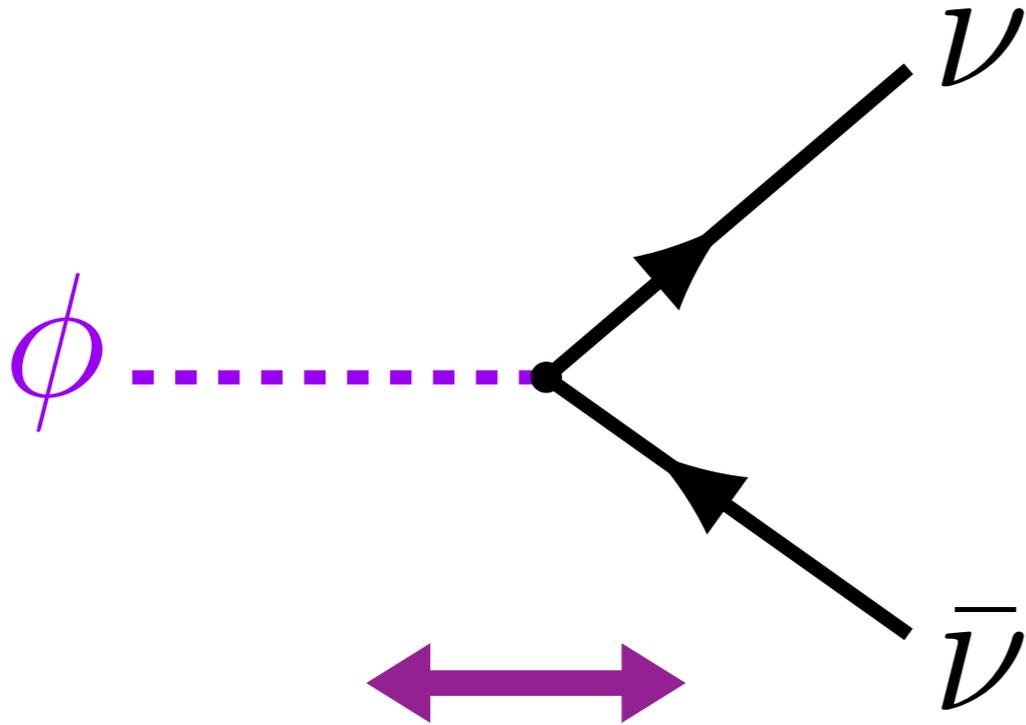
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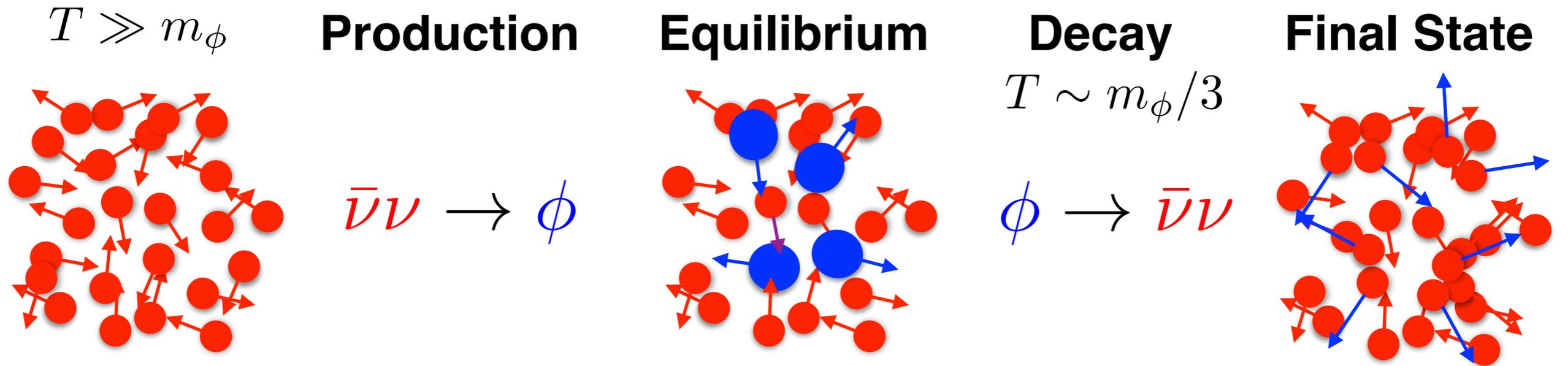
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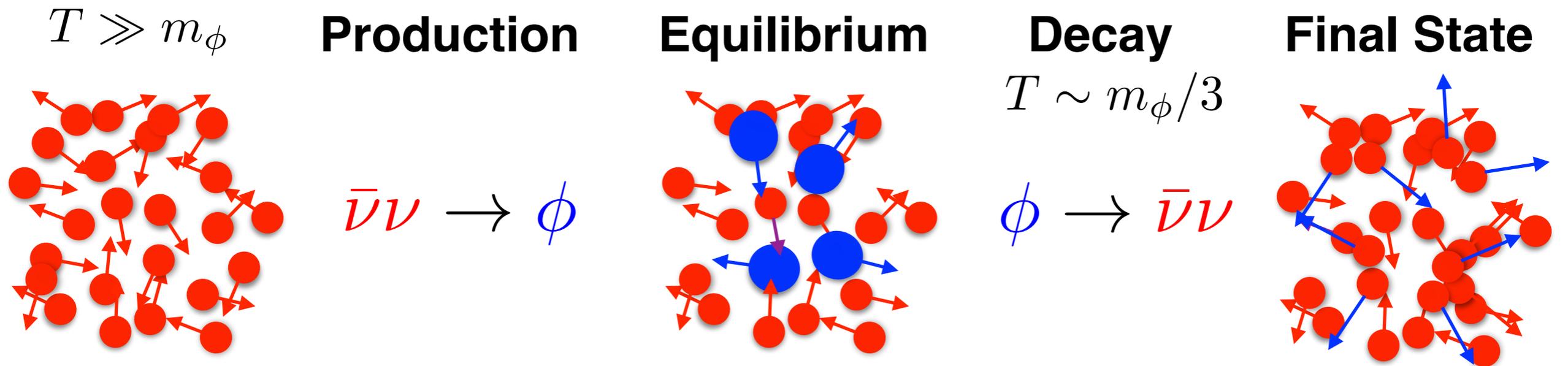
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- **We solve the full Boltzmann/Liouville equation for the background**
- **We include the full neutrino-majoron Boltzmann hierarchy in CLASS**

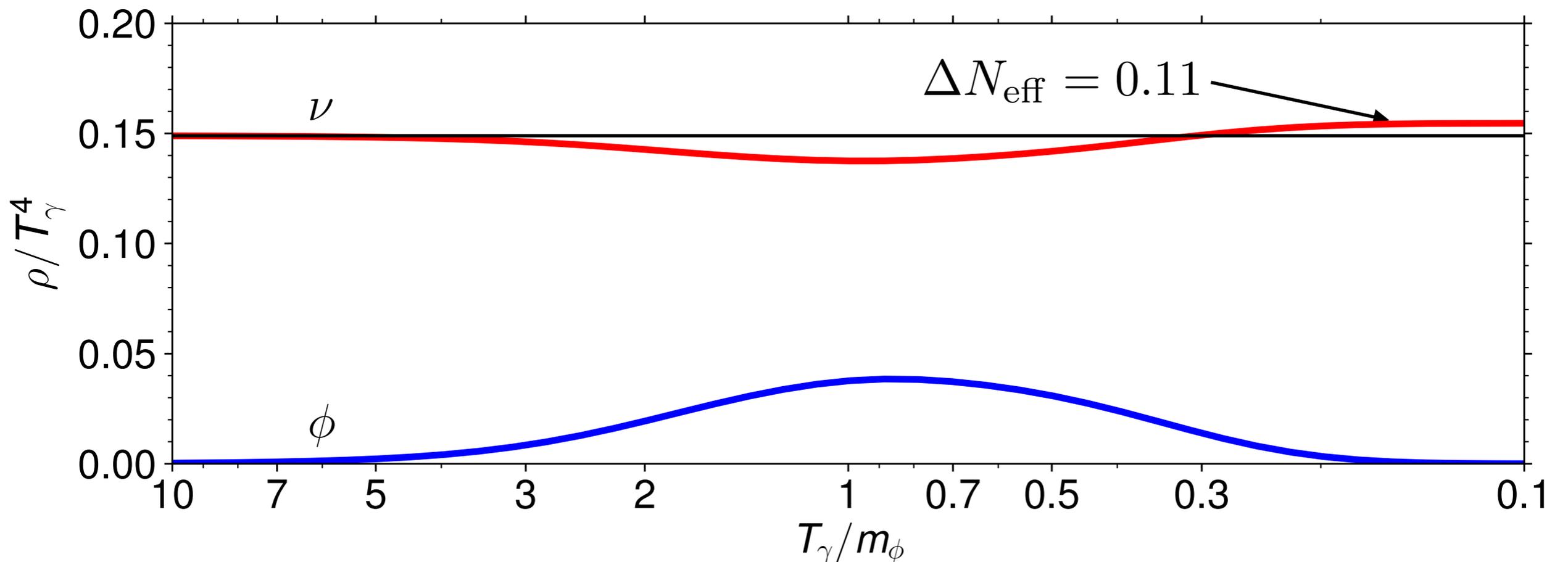
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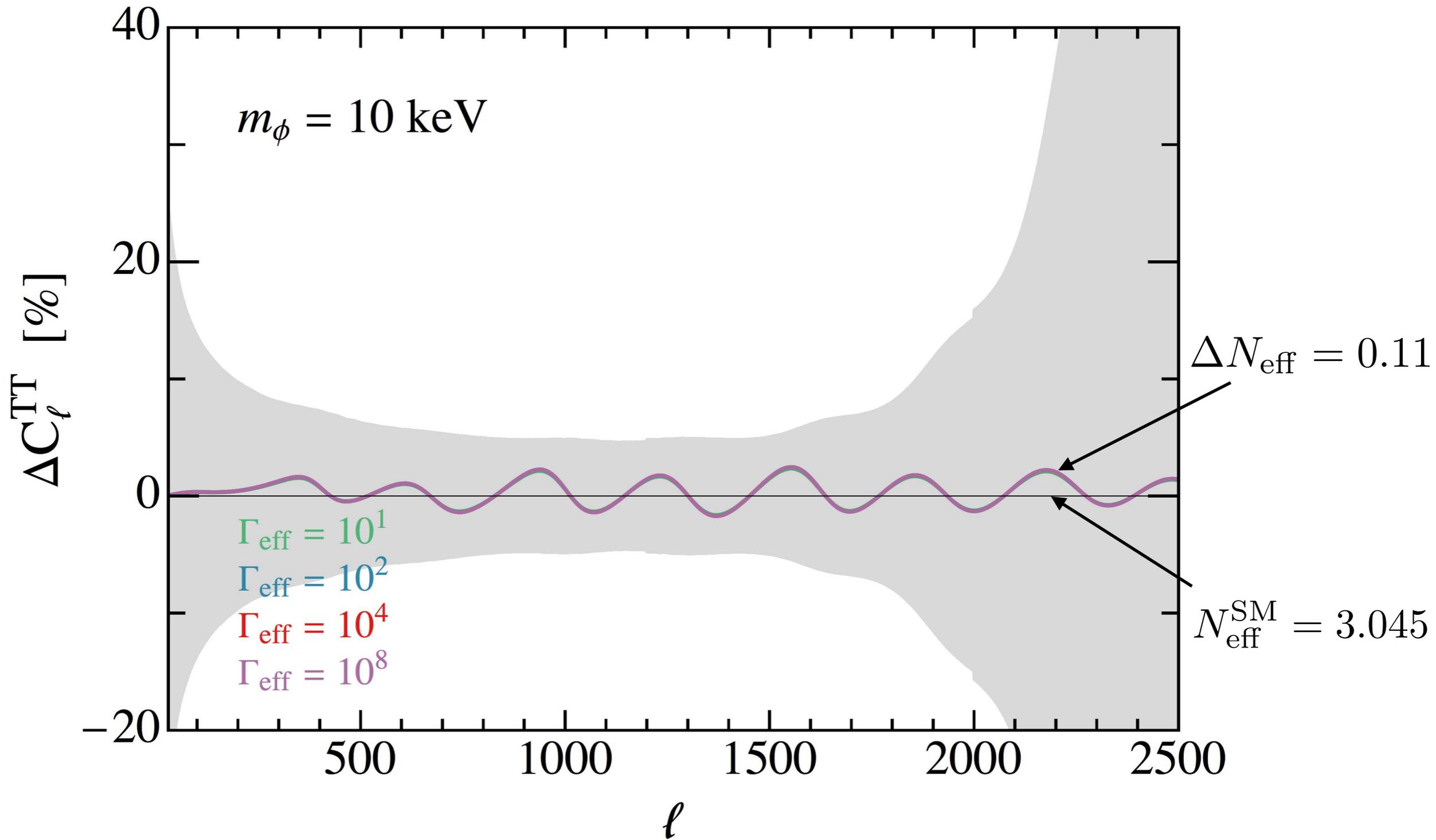


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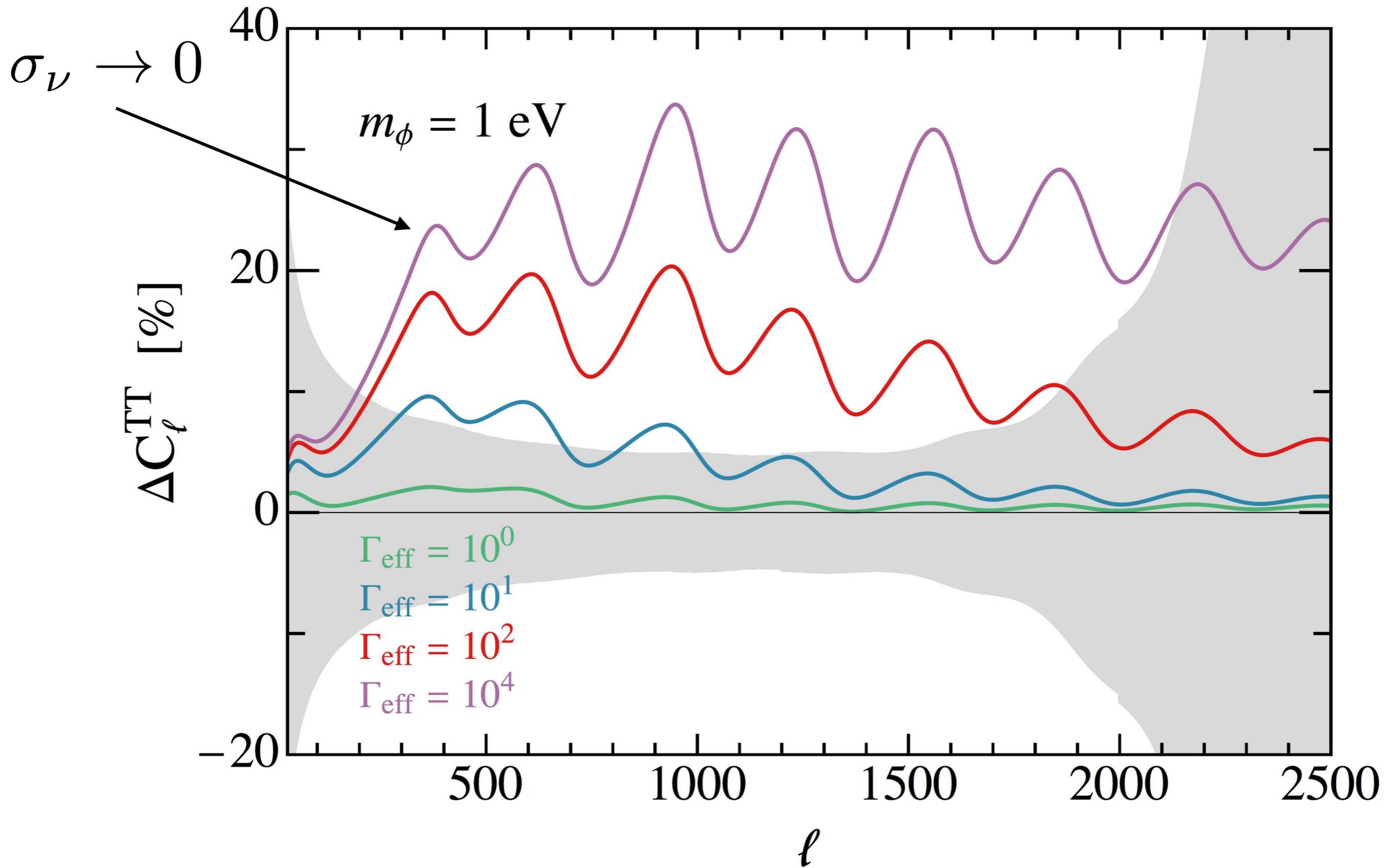
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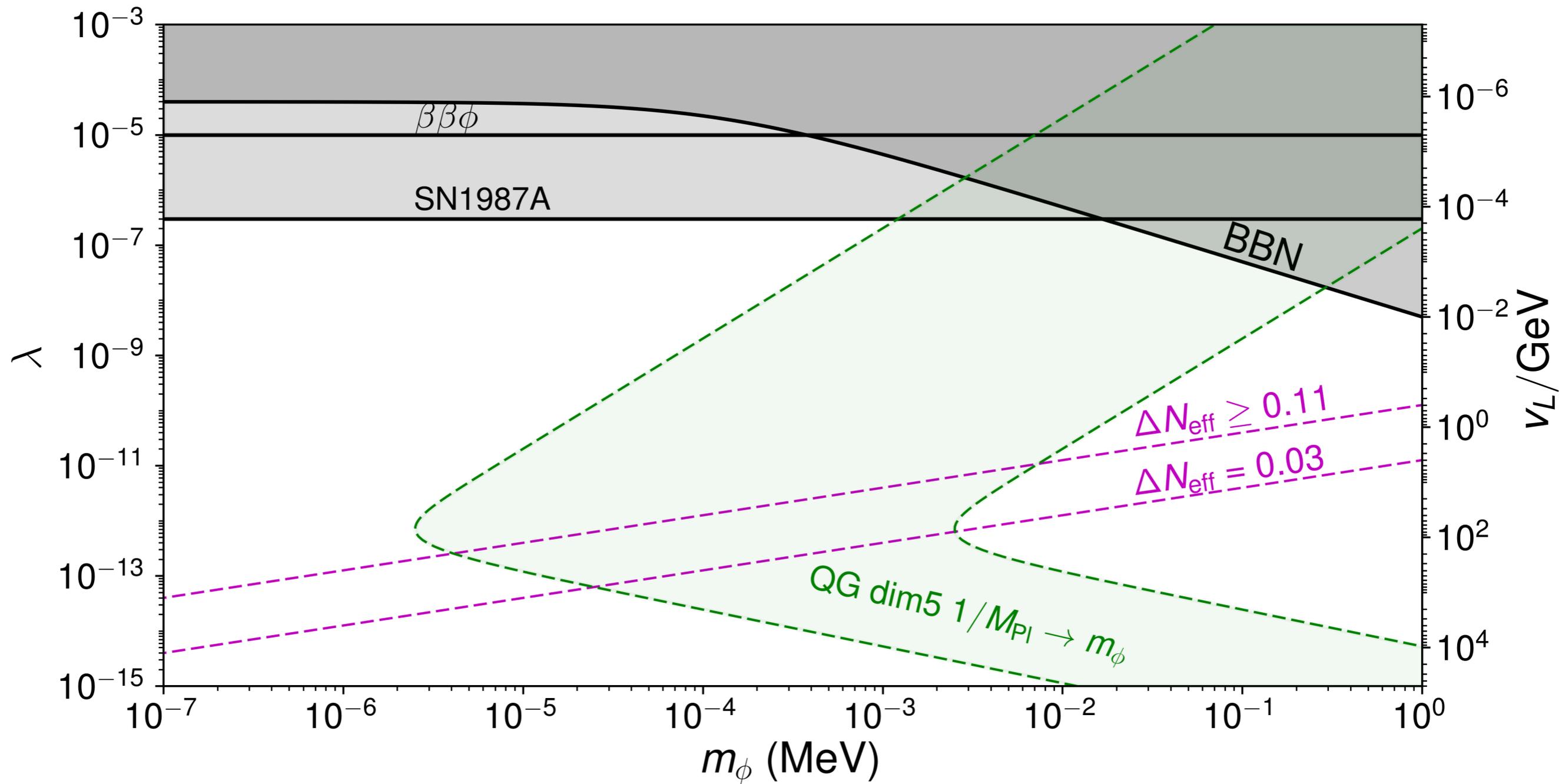


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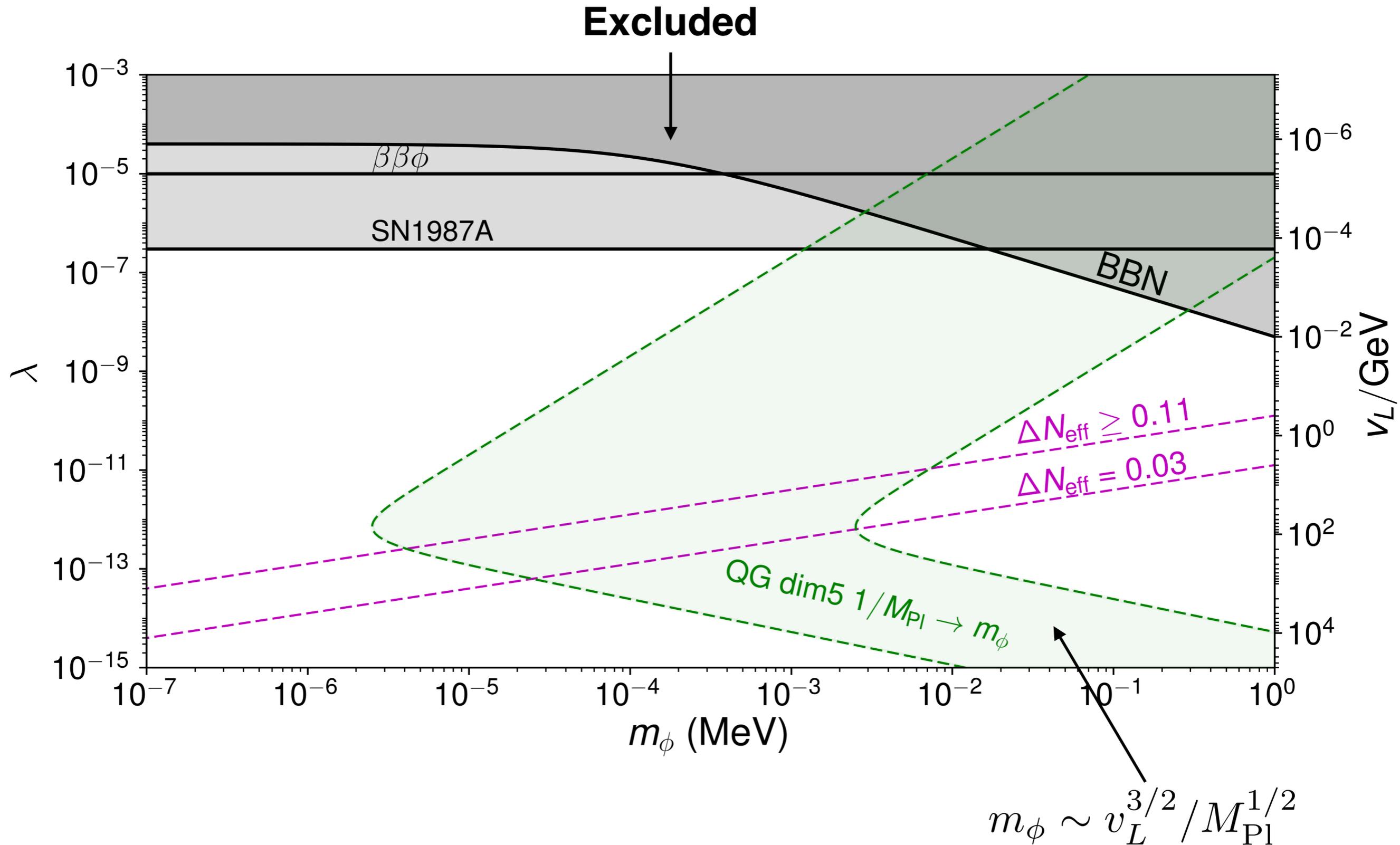
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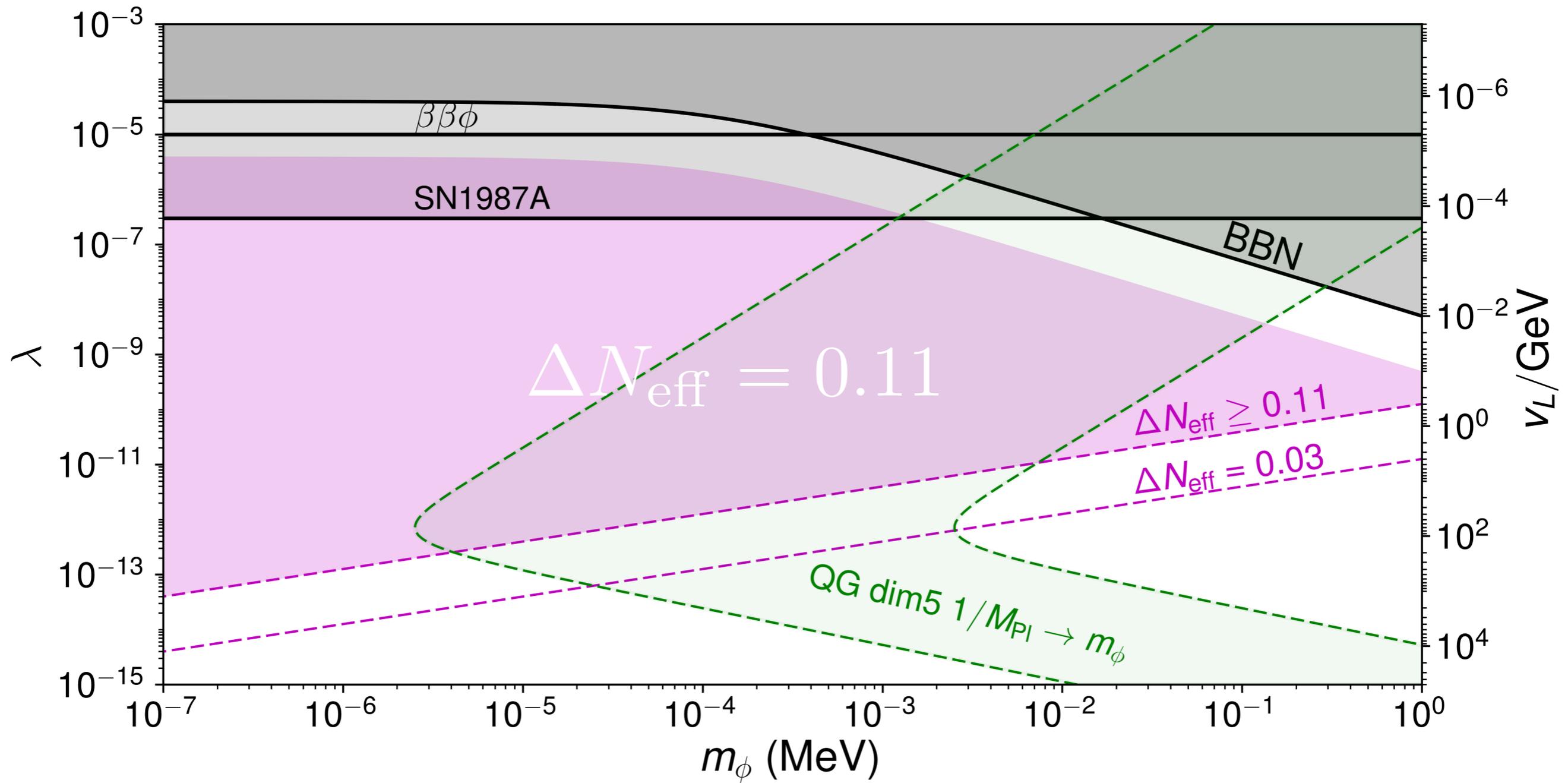
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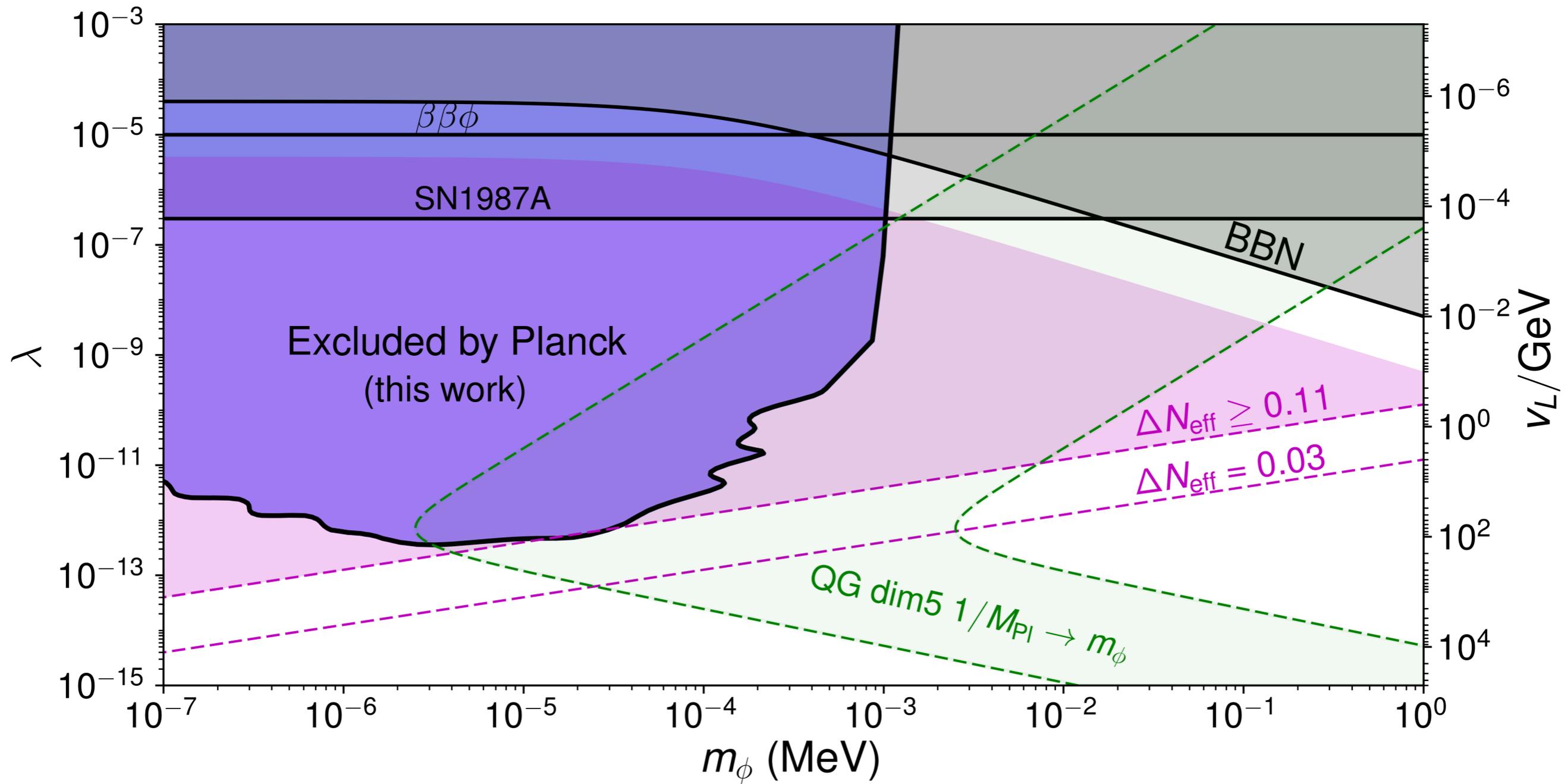
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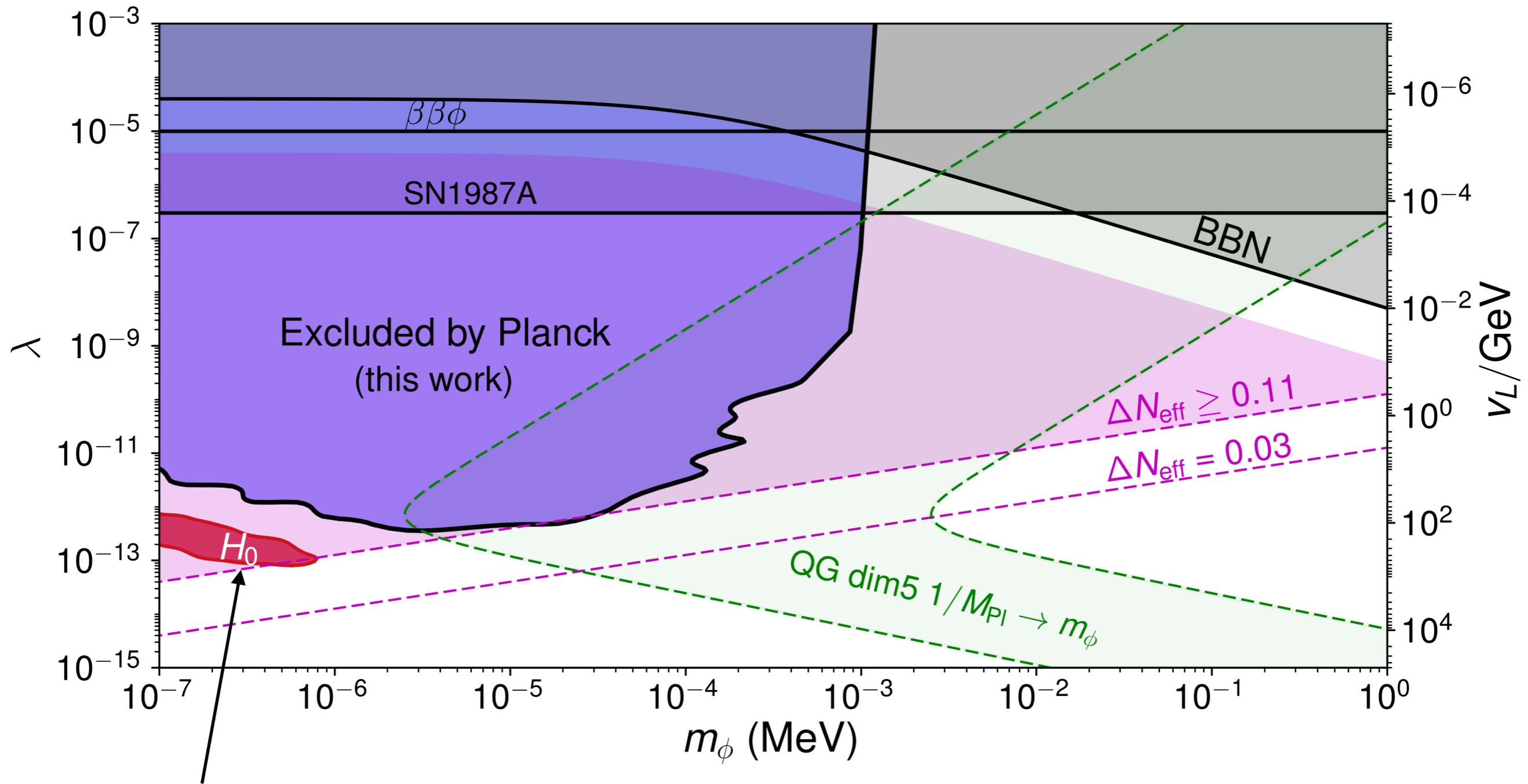
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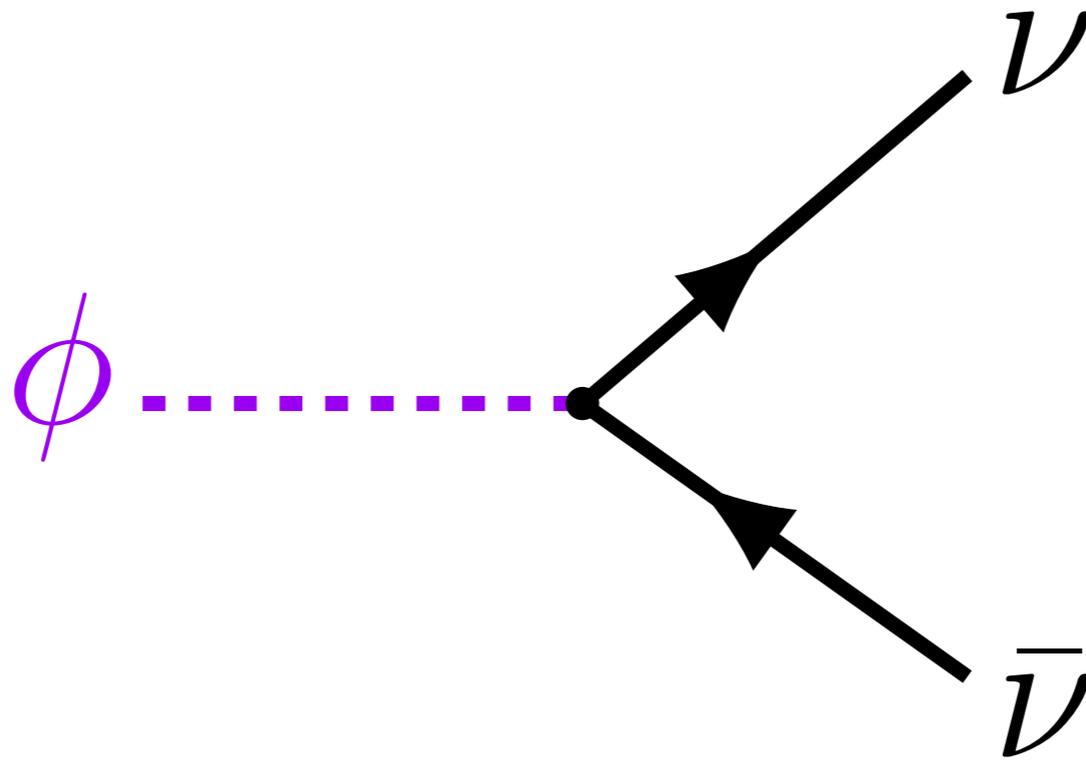
**PRELIMINARY**

# Conclusions

- **The  $H_0$  tension: Beyond  $\Lambda$ CDM?**
- **The specific case of the Majoron:**
  - **Compelling extension of the SM**
  - **Couplings from seesaw and mass from gravity**
  - **Planck sets stringent constraints**
  - **Ameliorates  $H_0$  tension via**  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 0.11$
  - **May solve the tension for:**  $m_\phi \sim 0.1 - 1 \text{ eV}$   
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# Questions and Comments?

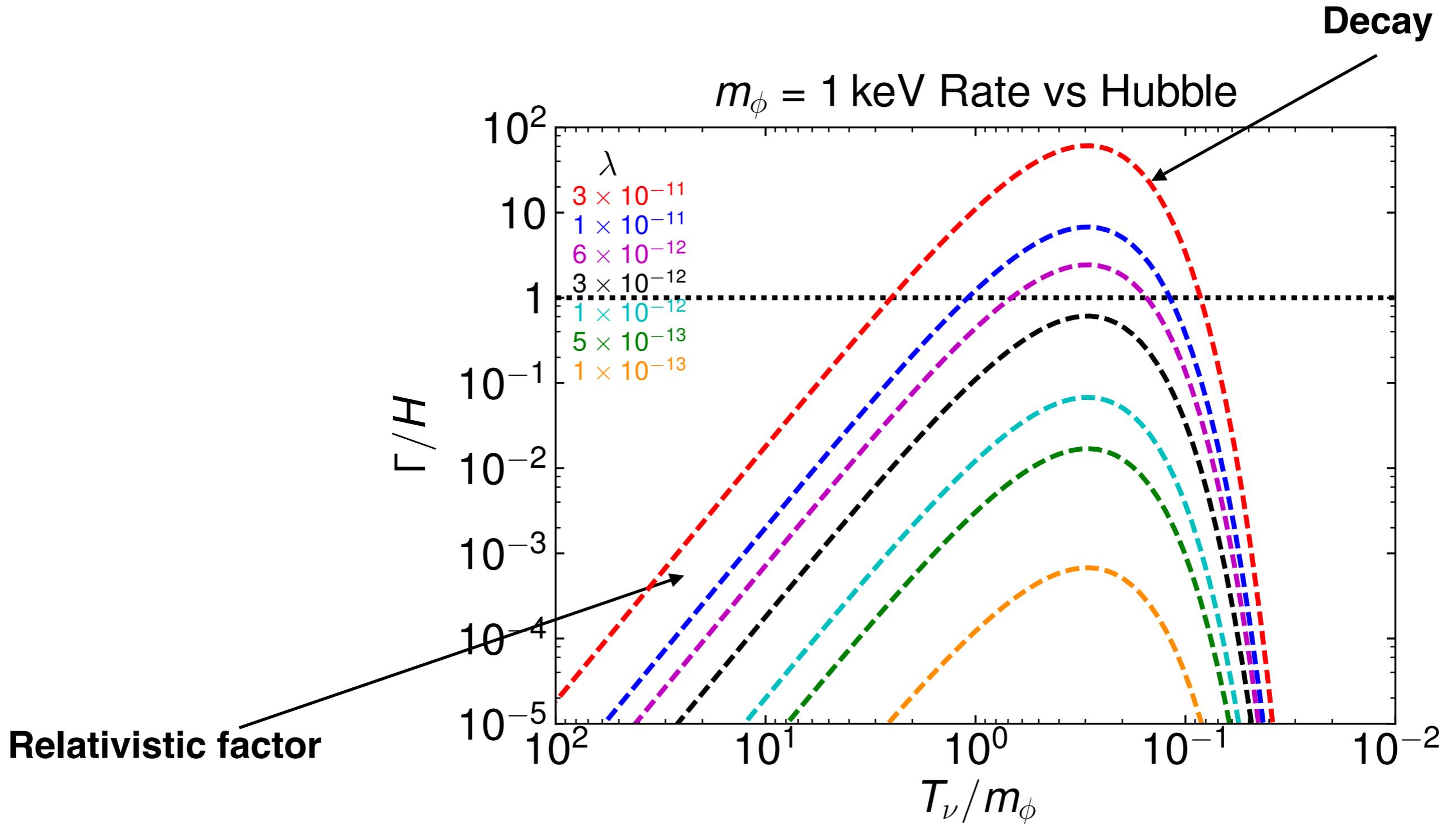
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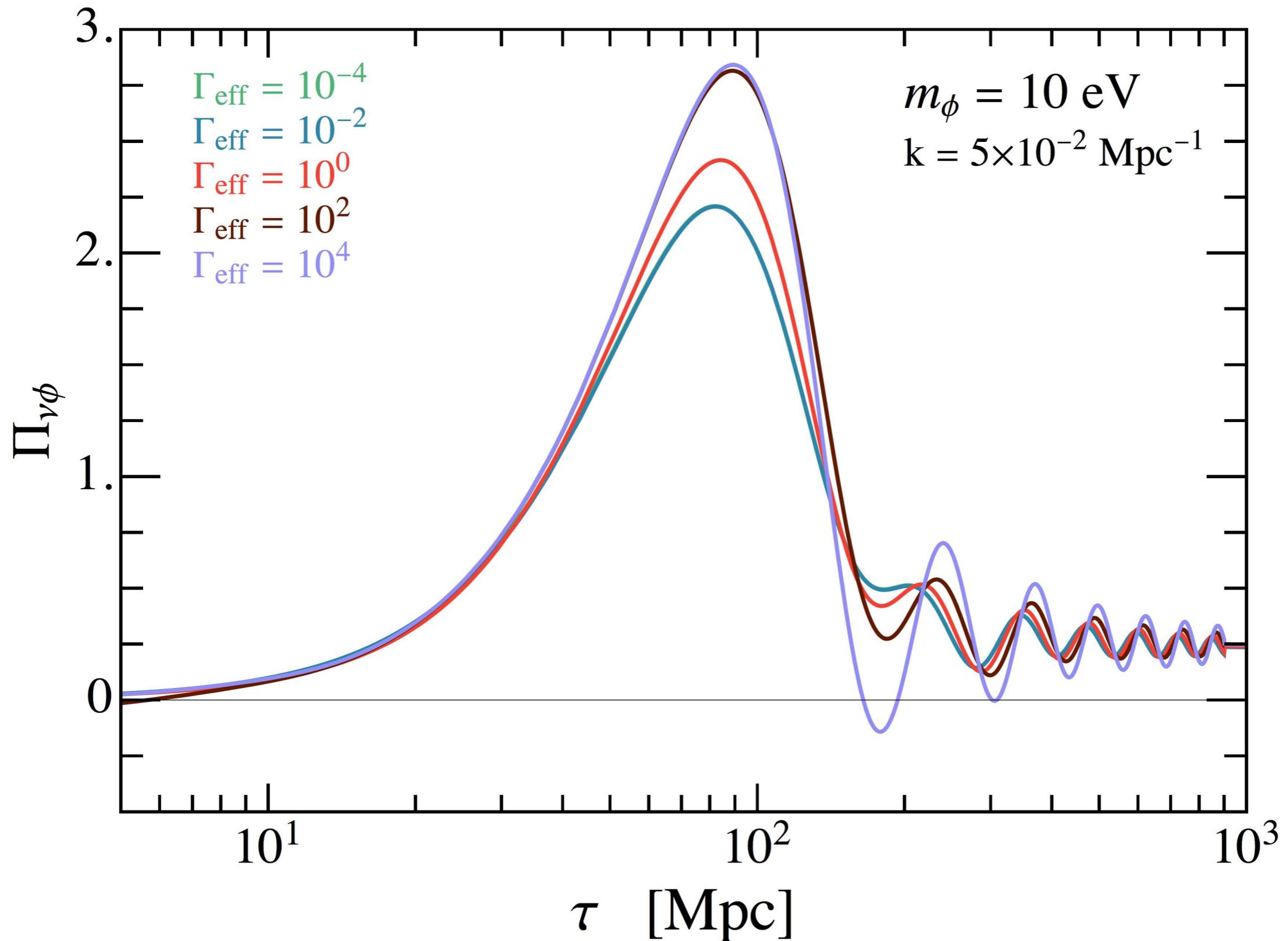
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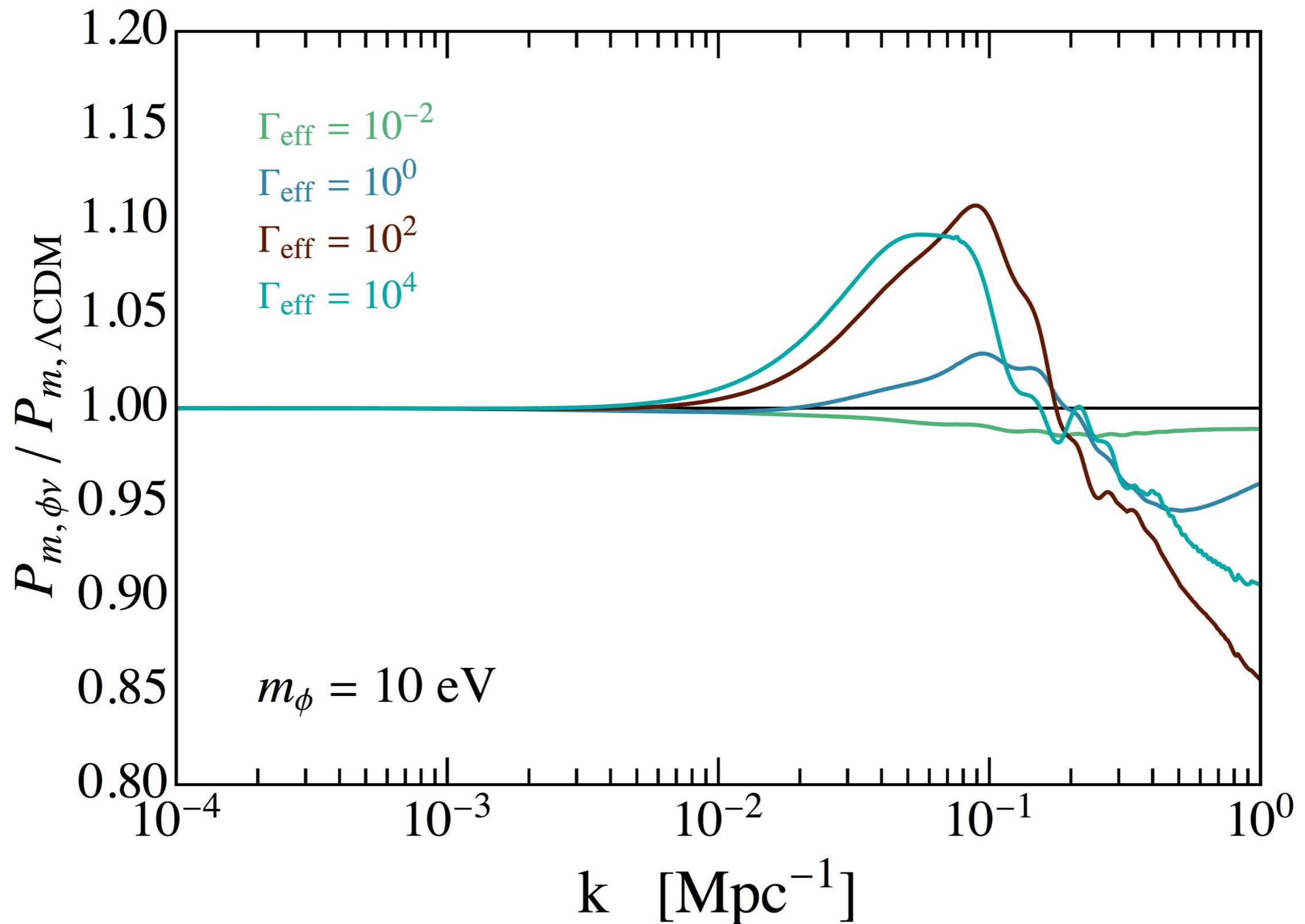
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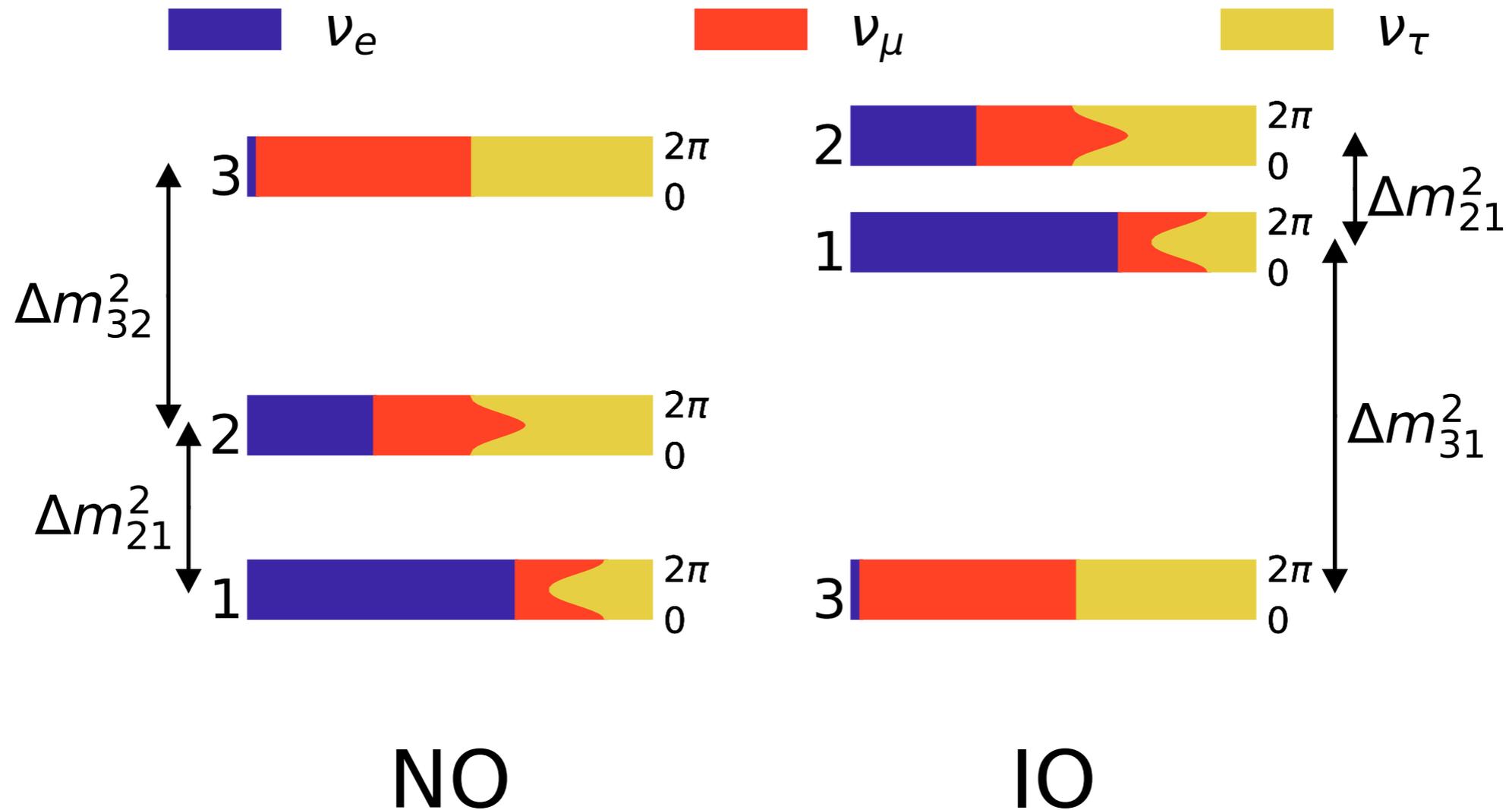
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**Enhance the expansion prior to recombination**

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At least two neutrinos are massive



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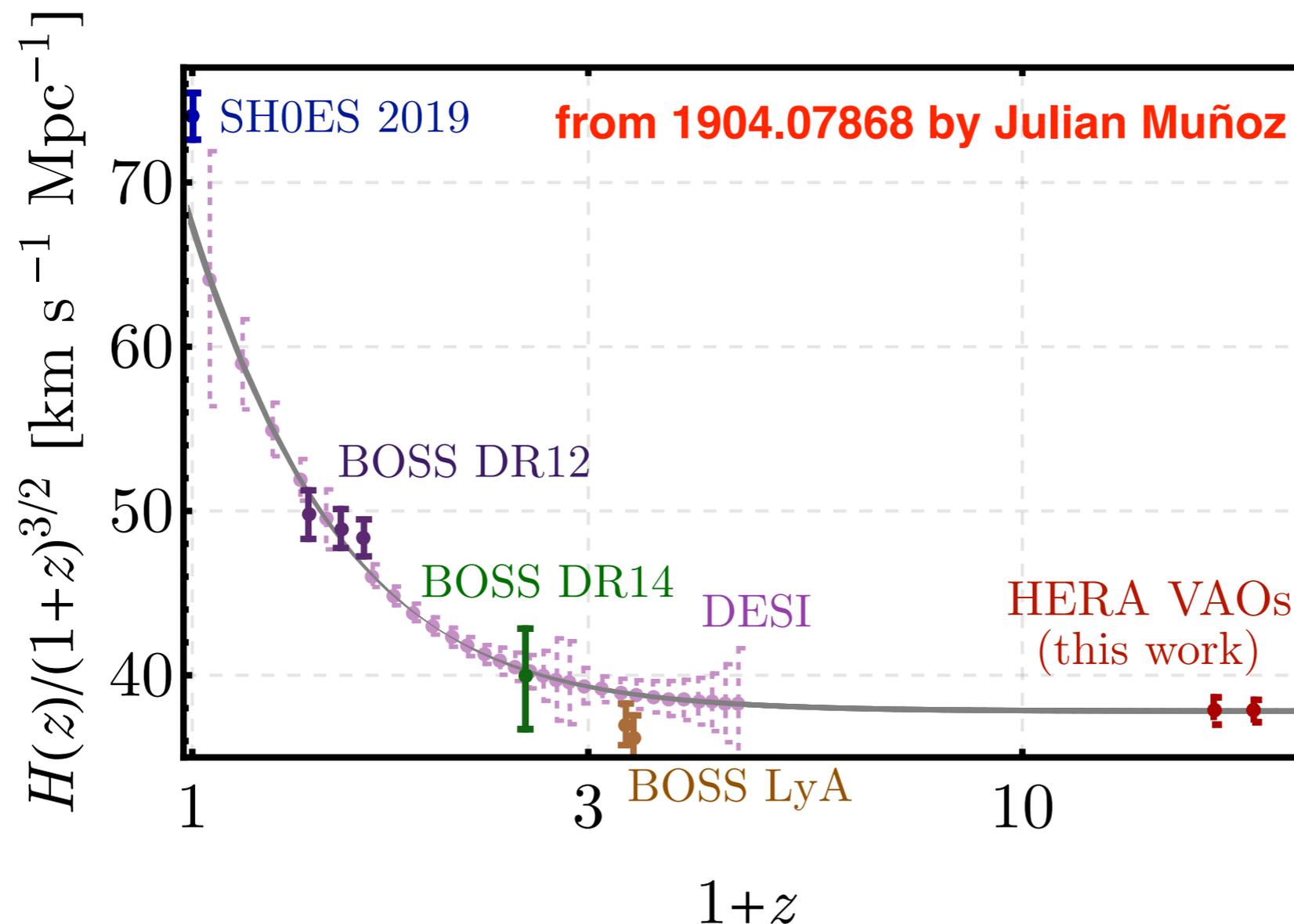
1806.11051, de Salas et. al.

$$\sqrt{|\Delta m_{31}^2|} \simeq 0.05 \text{ eV}$$

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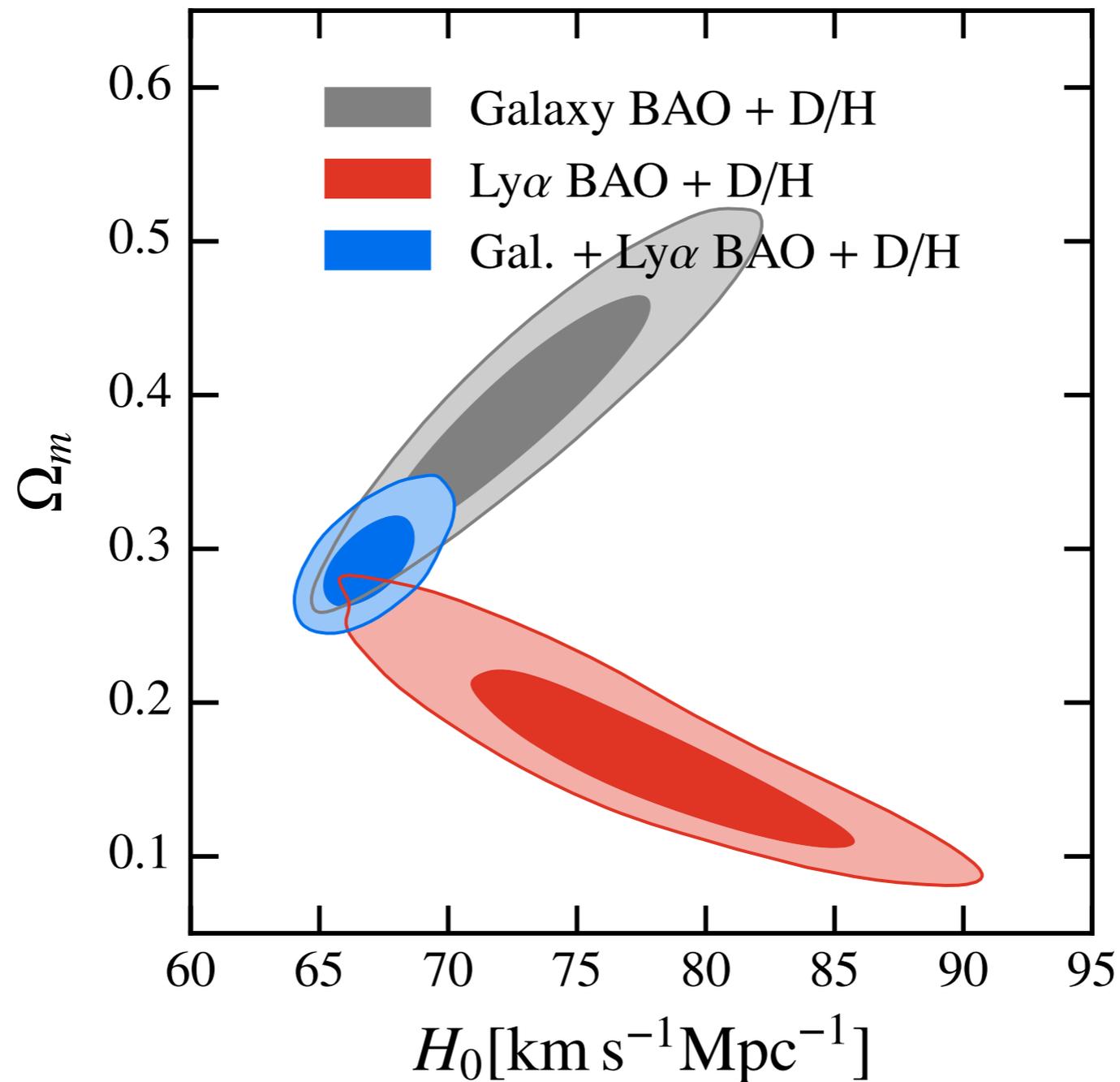
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- Future CMB missions, Simons, Stage-IV experiments
- Expansion History in the next decade:



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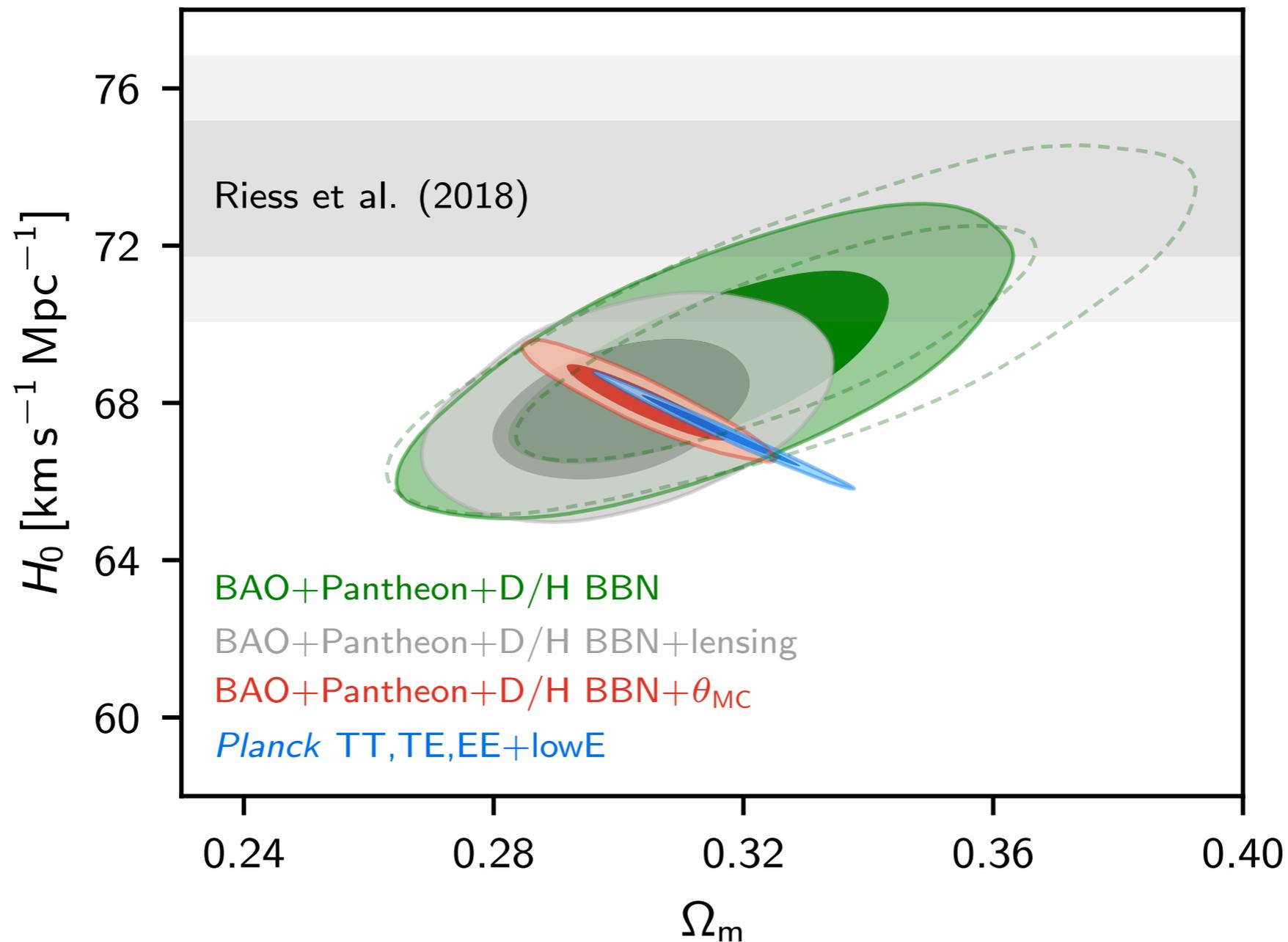
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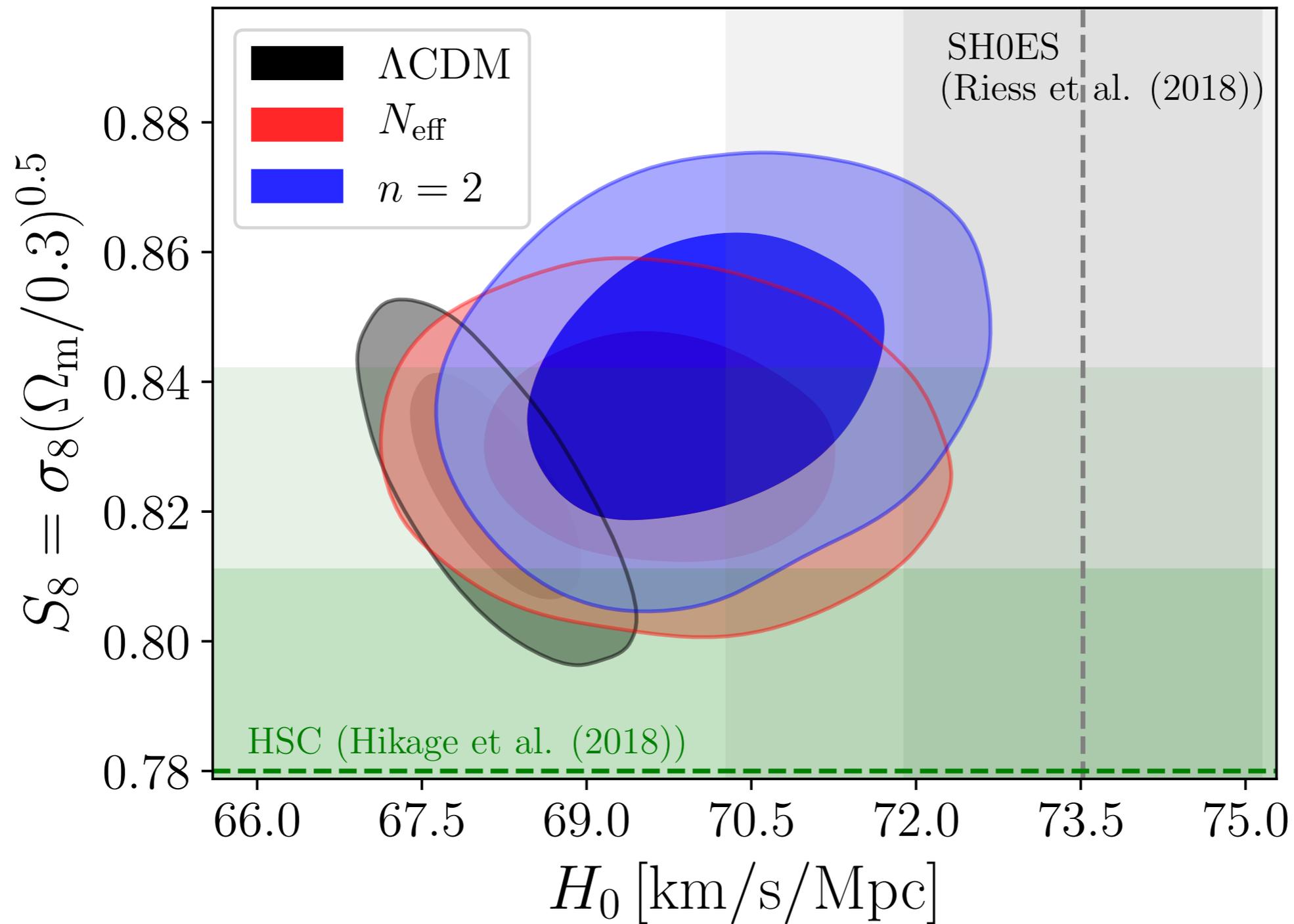


**Addison *et al* 1707.06547**

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- Tension is also present when compared with BAO and SNIa (Parthenon) using  $\Omega_b h^2$  from BBN





from 1904.01016 Agrawal, Cyr-Racine, Pinner, Randall

# Neutrino Decoupling

**Definition:** 
$$N_{\text{eff}} \equiv \frac{8}{7} \left( \frac{11}{4} \right)^{4/3} \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{rad}} - \rho_{\gamma}}{\rho_{\gamma}} \right)$$

**SM prediction:**  $N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SM}} = 3.045$       1606.06986 de Salas & Pastor  
hep-ph/0506164 Mangano *et. al.*

**Why is it not 3?**      for an excellent review see hep-ph/0202122 by Dolgov

1) Neutrino Decoupling not instantaneous

$$\sigma \sim G_F^2 E_{\nu}^2$$

2) Weak Interactions freeze out at  $T = 2\text{-}3 \text{ MeV}$   
hence, some heating from  $e^+e^-$  annihilation

$$n \langle \sigma v \rangle \simeq G_F^2 T^5 \simeq H$$

3) Finite Temperature QED corrections

$$\delta m_e^2(T), \delta m_{\gamma}^2(T)$$

4) Neutrino oscillations are active at  $T < 3 \text{ MeV}$

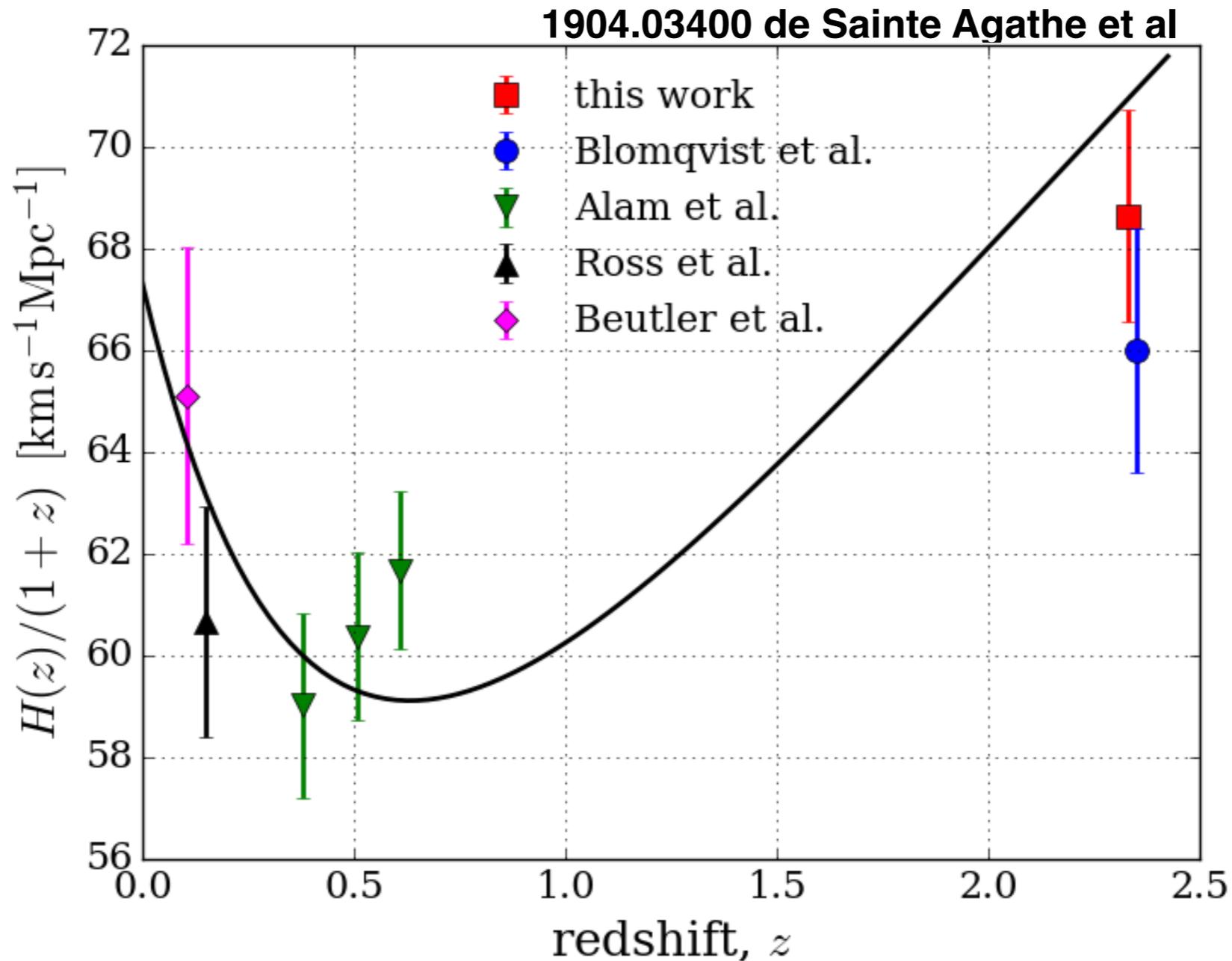
**Simplified approach:**      Escudero [arXiv:1812.05605](https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.05605), JCAP 1902 (2019) 007

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