

Searching for dark matter in extended Higgs sectors

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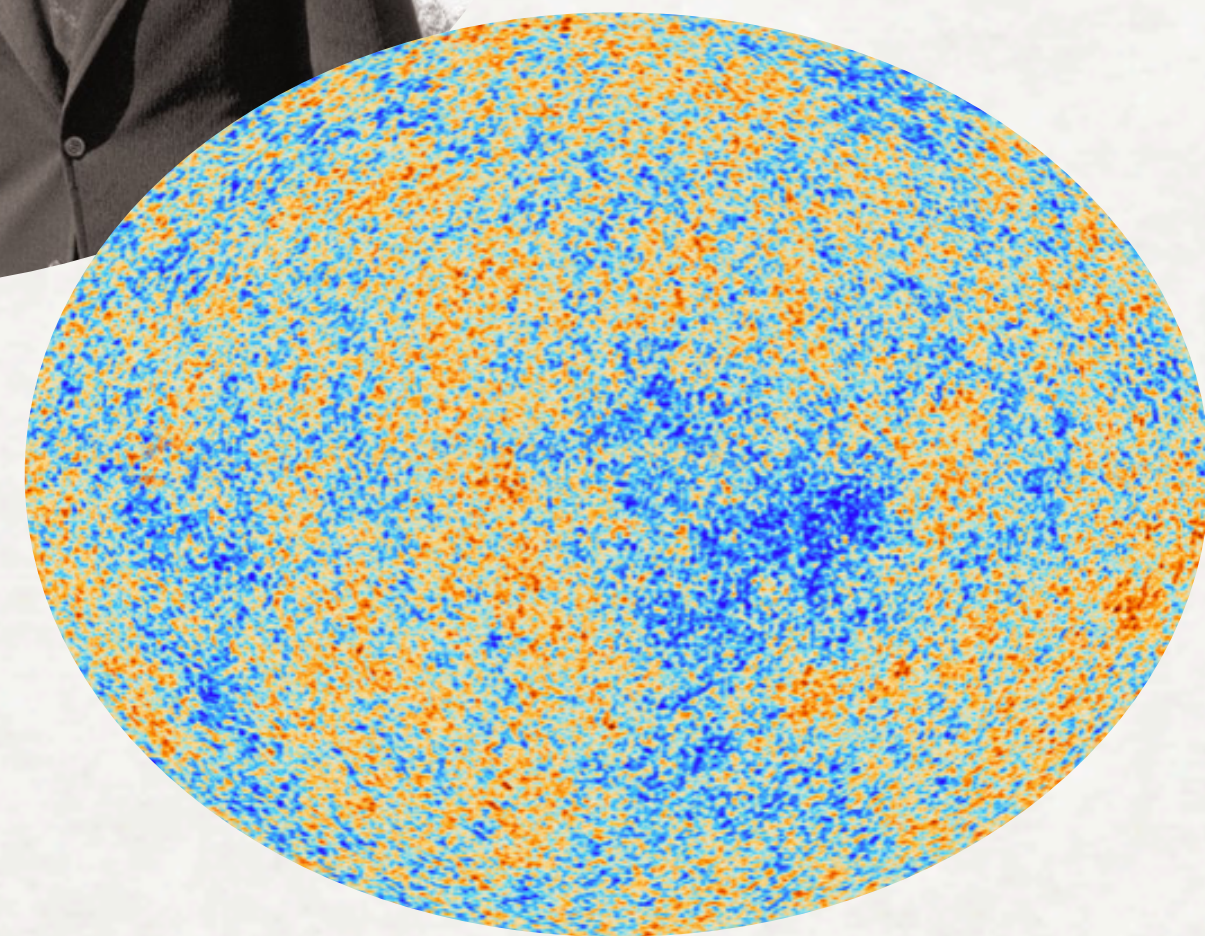
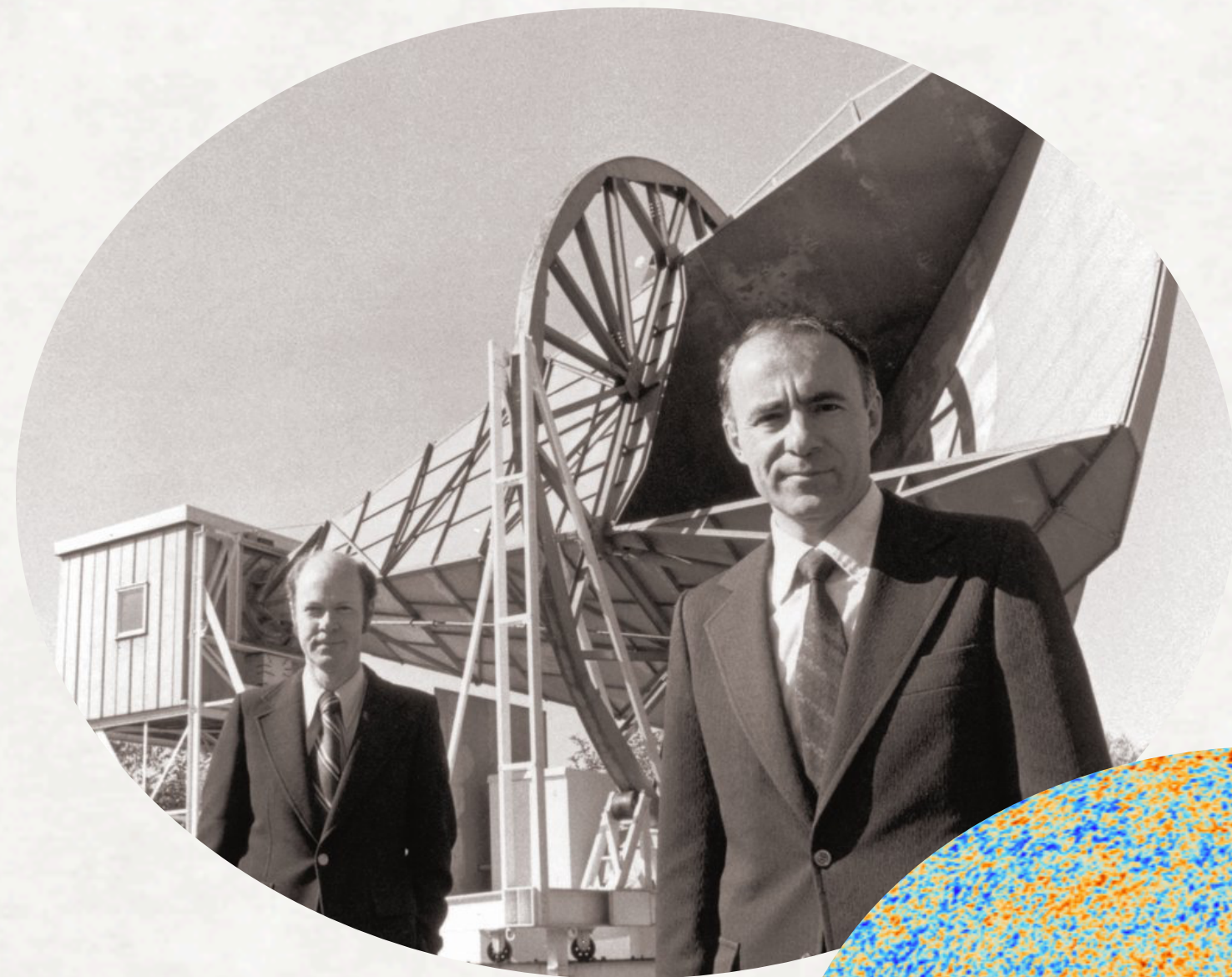
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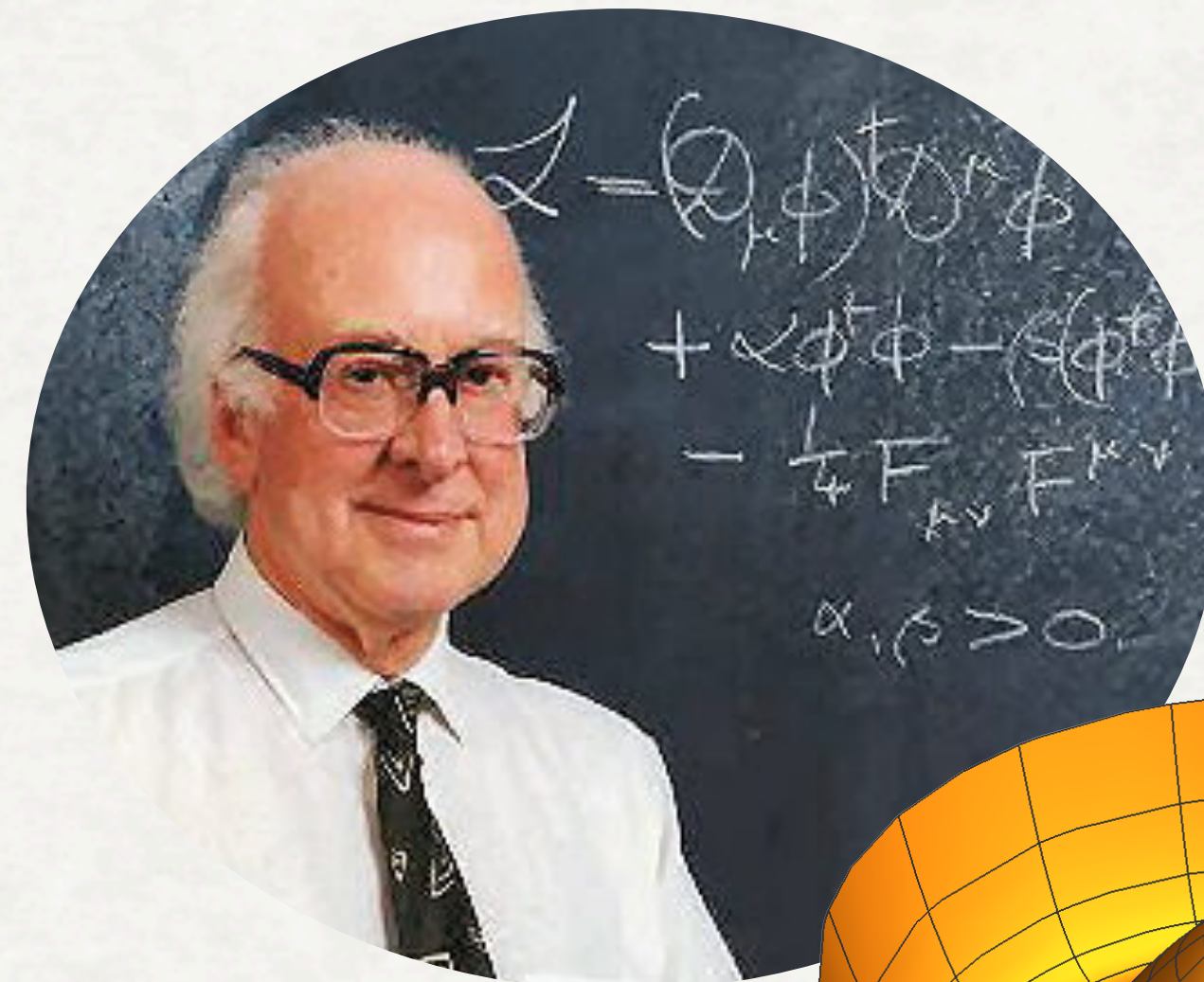
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CMB radiation



birth of cosmology

Higgs mechanism



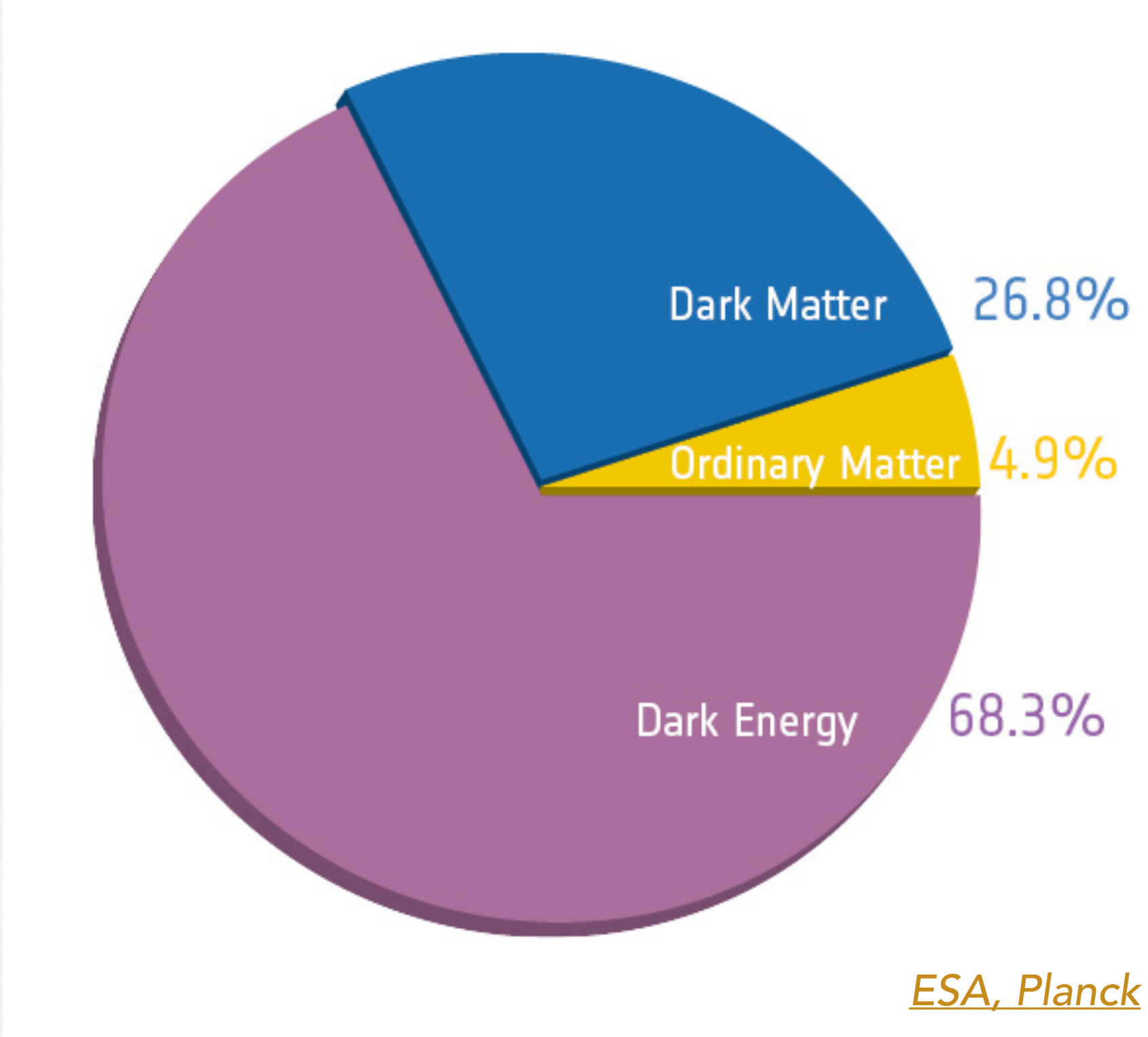
SM of particle physics

The two Standard Models

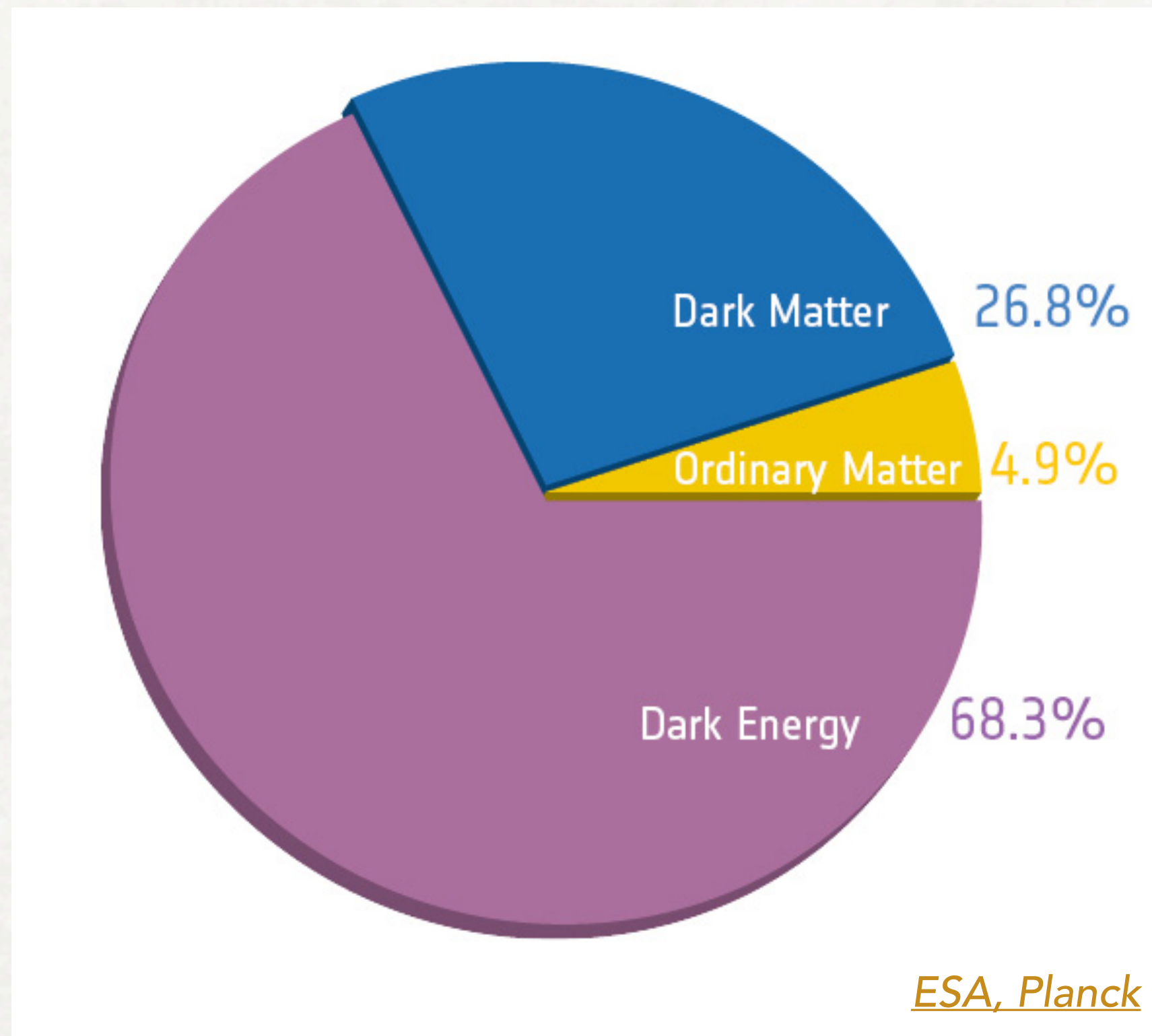
particle physics

	mass → $\approx 2.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ charge → $2/3$ spin → $1/2$ u up	mass → $\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ charge → $2/3$ spin → $1/2$ c charm	mass → $\approx 173.07 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ charge → $2/3$ spin → $1/2$ t top	mass → 0 charge → 0 spin → 1 g gluon	mass → $\approx 126 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ charge → 0 spin → 0 H Higgs boson
QUARKS	mass → $\approx 4.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ charge → $-1/3$ spin → $1/2$ d down	mass → $\approx 95 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ charge → $-1/3$ spin → $1/2$ s strange	mass → $\approx 4.18 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ charge → $-1/3$ spin → $1/2$ b bottom	mass → 0 charge → 0 spin → 1 γ photon	
	mass → $0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ charge → -1 spin → $1/2$ e electron	mass → $105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ charge → -1 spin → $1/2$ μ muon	mass → $1.777 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ charge → -1 spin → $1/2$ τ tau	mass → $91.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ charge → 0 spin → 1 Z Z boson	GAUGE BOSONS
LEPTONS	mass → $< 2.2 \text{ eV}/c^2$ charge → 0 spin → $1/2$ ν_e electron neutrino	mass → $< 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ charge → 0 spin → $1/2$ ν_μ muon neutrino	mass → $< 15.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ charge → 0 spin → $1/2$ ν_τ tau neutrino	mass → $80.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ charge → ± 1 spin → 1 W W boson	

cosmology



The big open questions



Baryon Asymmetry

why matter dominates over antimatter?

Dark Matter

What is the nature of DM?

Dark Energy

What is the nature of DE?

+ are these connected with the Higgs sector?

Is there a connection to the Higgs boson?

1. EW phase transition can trigger baryogenesis

- ➔ testable @ LHC
- ➔ see talk by I. Kalaitzidou on Thursday

[Kuzmin, Rubakov, Shaposhnikov, PLB 155 \(1985\) 36](#)
[Shaposhnikov, NPB 287 \(1987\) 757 \(1987\)](#)
[Nelson, Kaplan, Cohen, NPB 373 \(1992\) 453](#)

2. Higgs sector can act as a portal to the dark sector

- ➔ this talk

[Silveira, Zee, PLB 161 \(1985\) 136](#)
[Ipek et al, Phys. Rev. D 90 \(2014\) 055021](#)
[Bell et al, JCAP 03 \(2017\) 015](#)
[Berlin et al, JHEP 06 \(2014\) 078](#)
[Duerr et al, JHEP 09 \(2016\) 042](#)

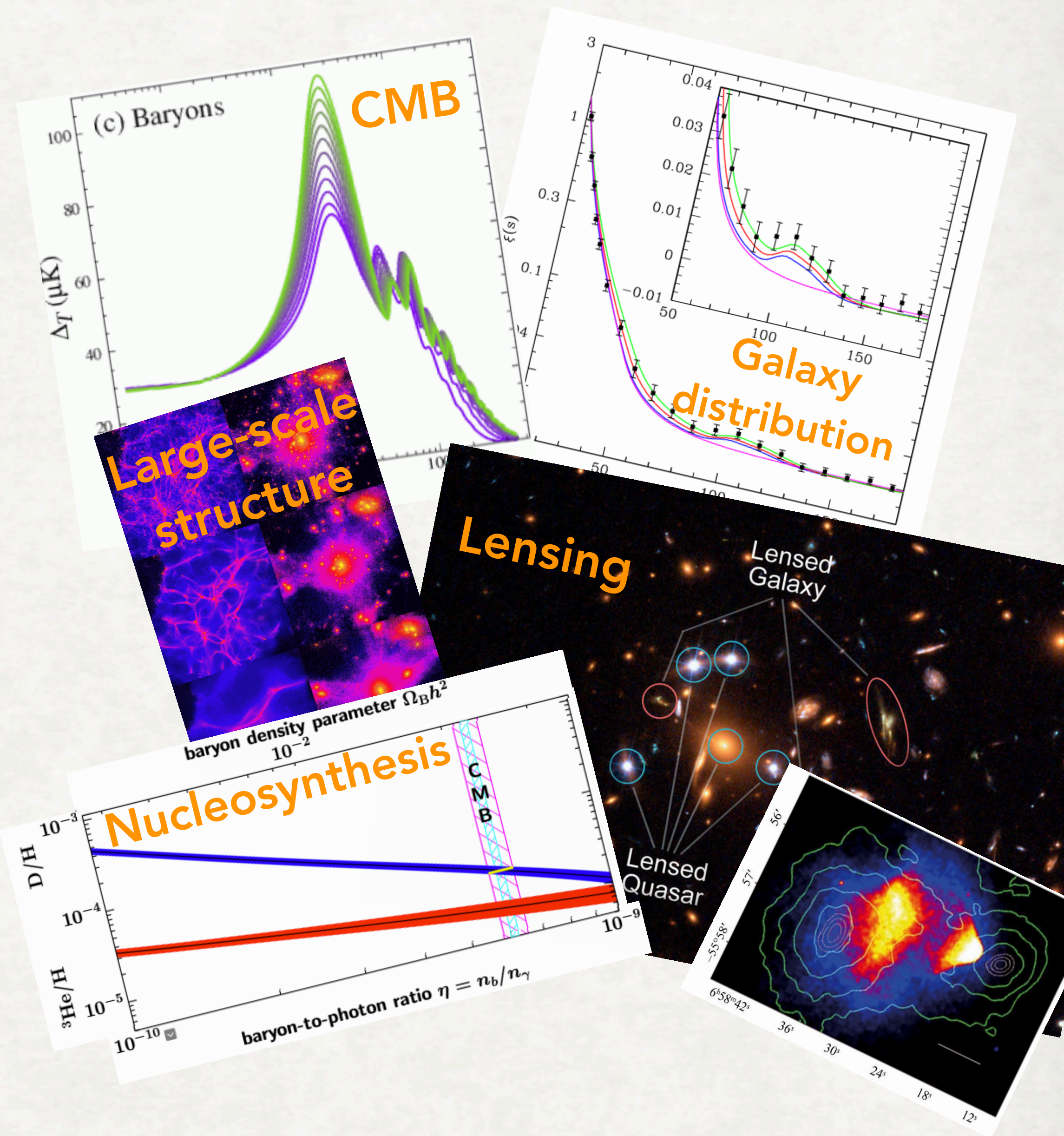
3. Scalar bosons ubiquitous in cosmology

- ➔ future

[Brax, RPP 81 \(2018\) 016902](#)
[Gubitosi et al JCAP 02 \(2013\) 032](#)
[Bezrukov, Shaposhnikov, PLB 659 \(2008\) 703](#)
[Germani, Kehagias, PRL 105 \(2010\) 011302](#)
[Burrage et al, JCAP 11 \(2018\) 036](#)

DM properties

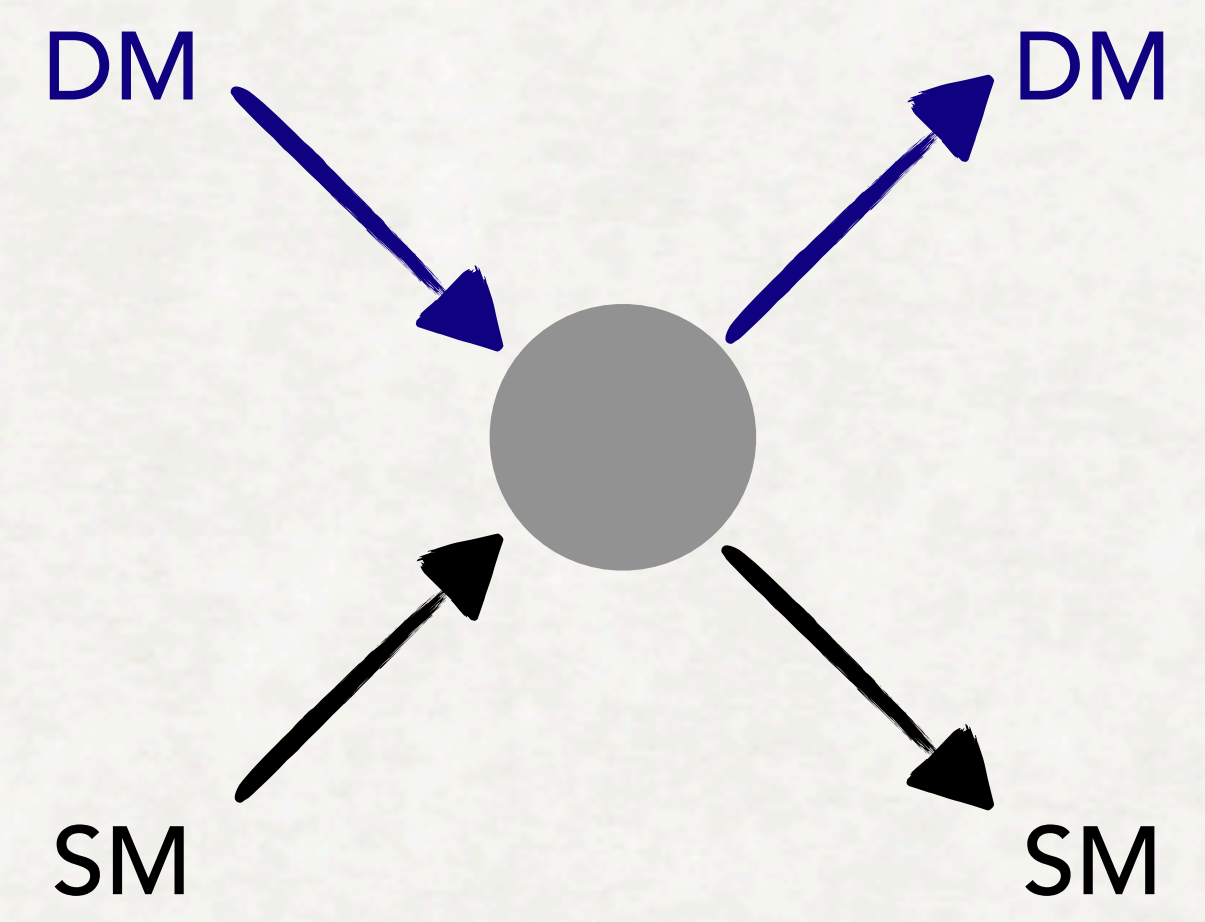
- stable
- weakly interacting
- non-relativistic ("cold")
- non-baryonic
- probably "matter" (not modified gravity)
- can't consist solely of dark astronomical objects (MACHO)



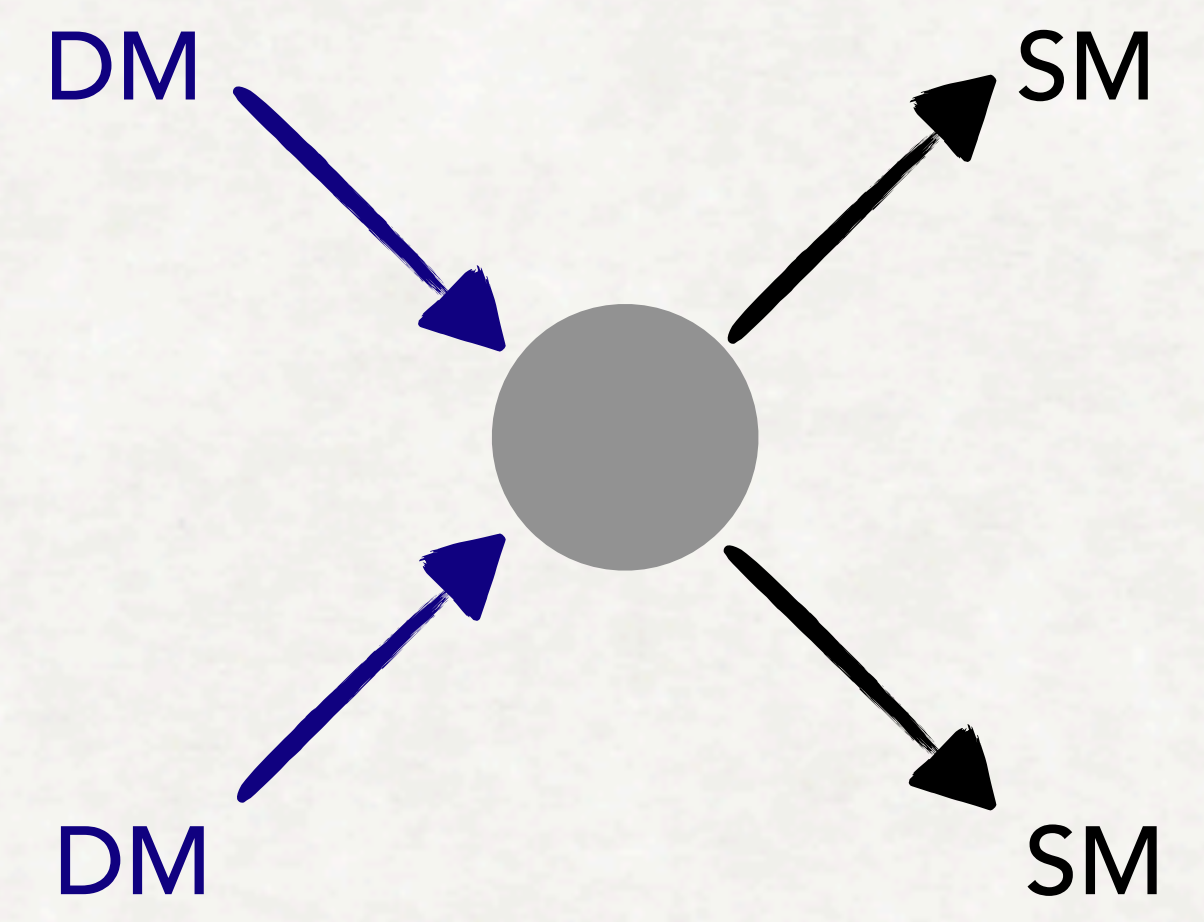
→ Look for stable weakly interacting massive BSM particles

DM detection

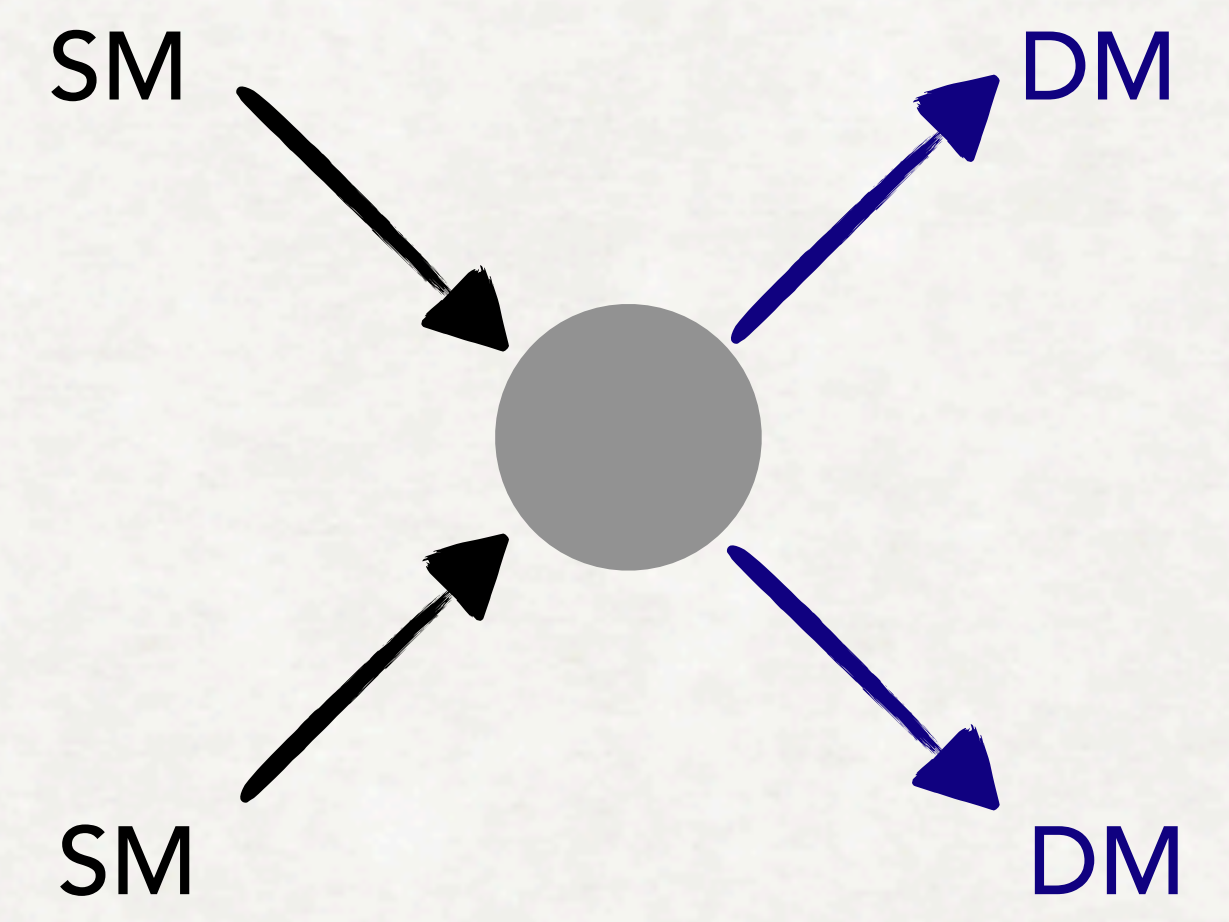
Direct Detection



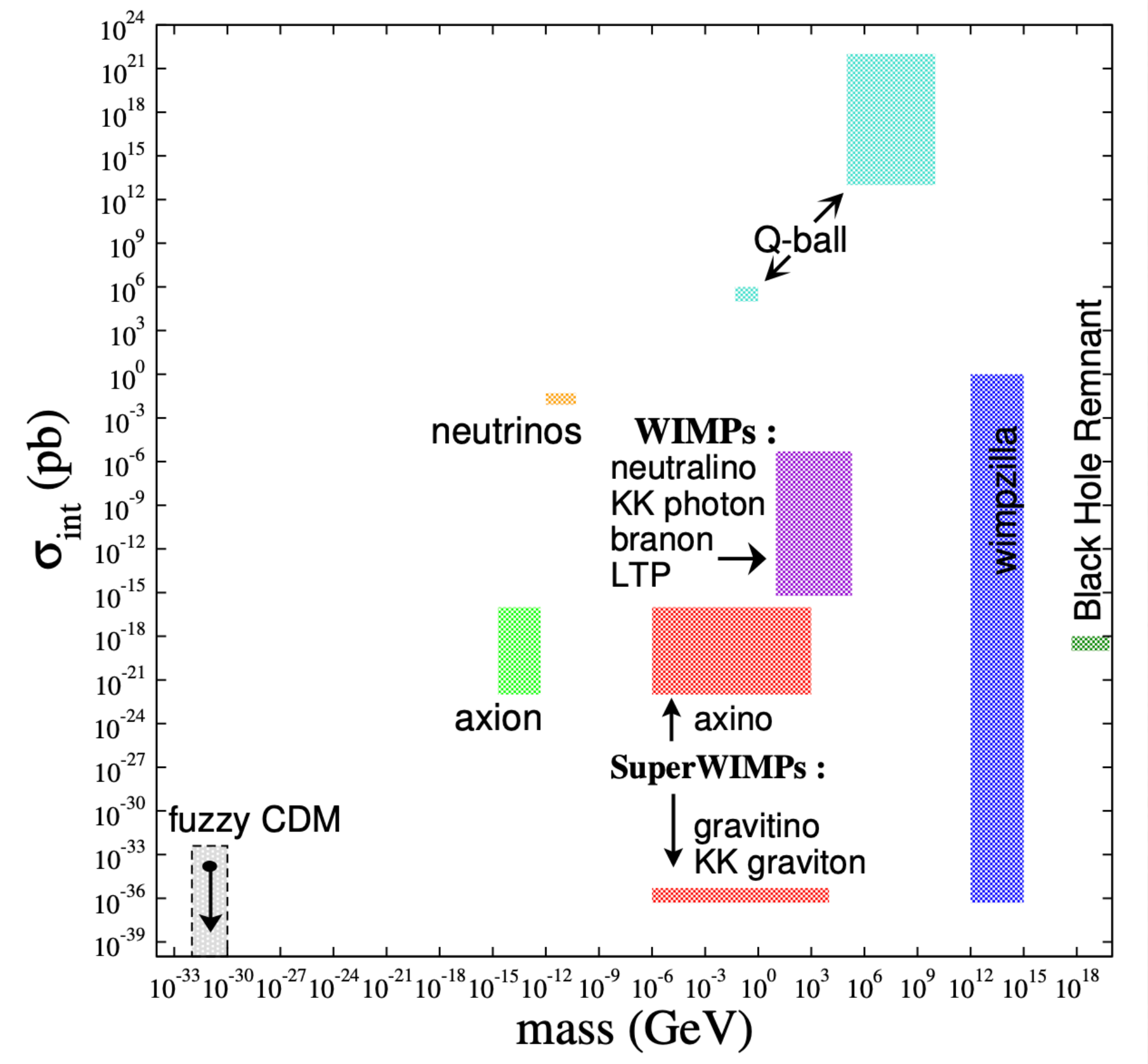
Indirect Detection



Colliders

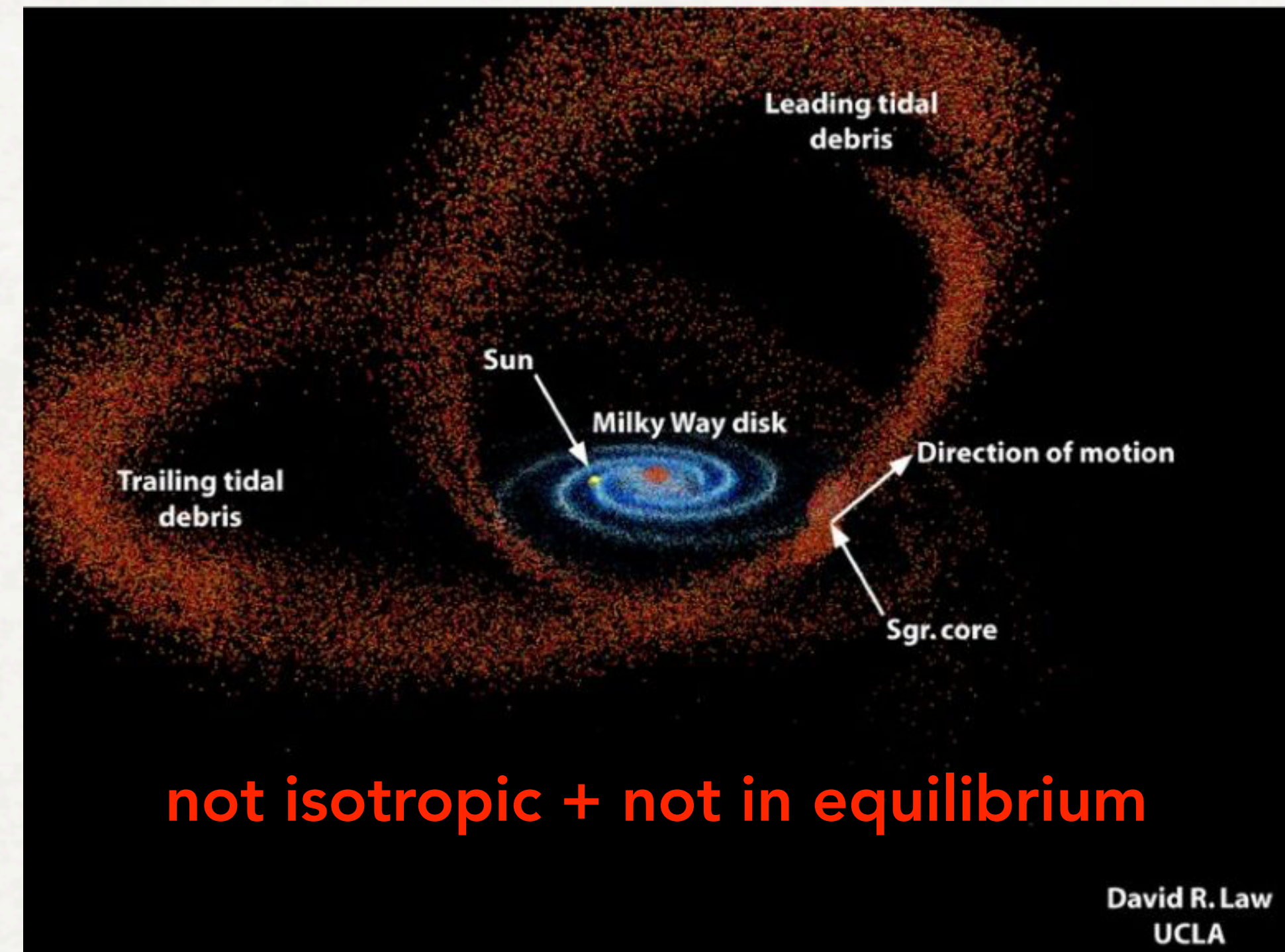
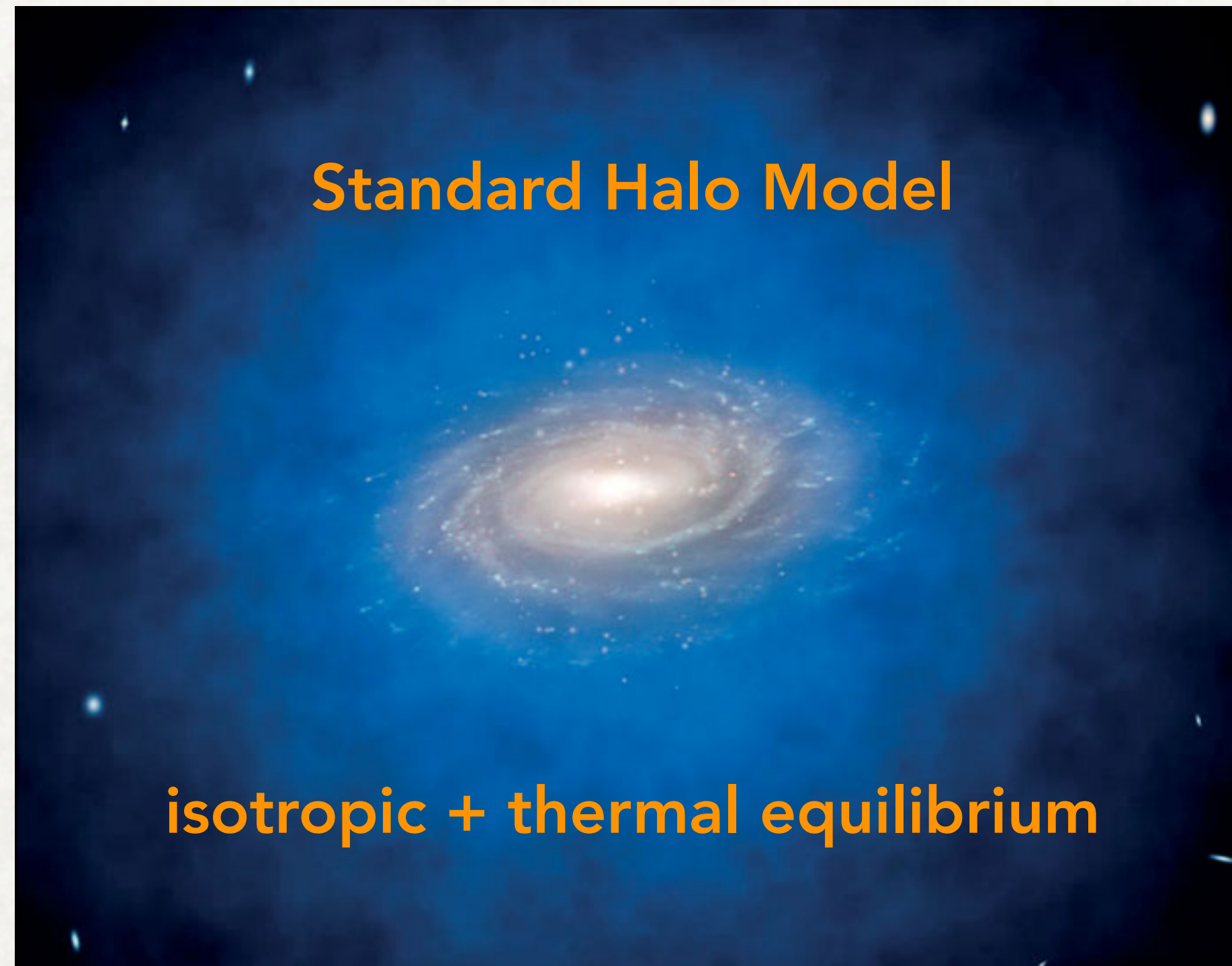


Complementarity is important



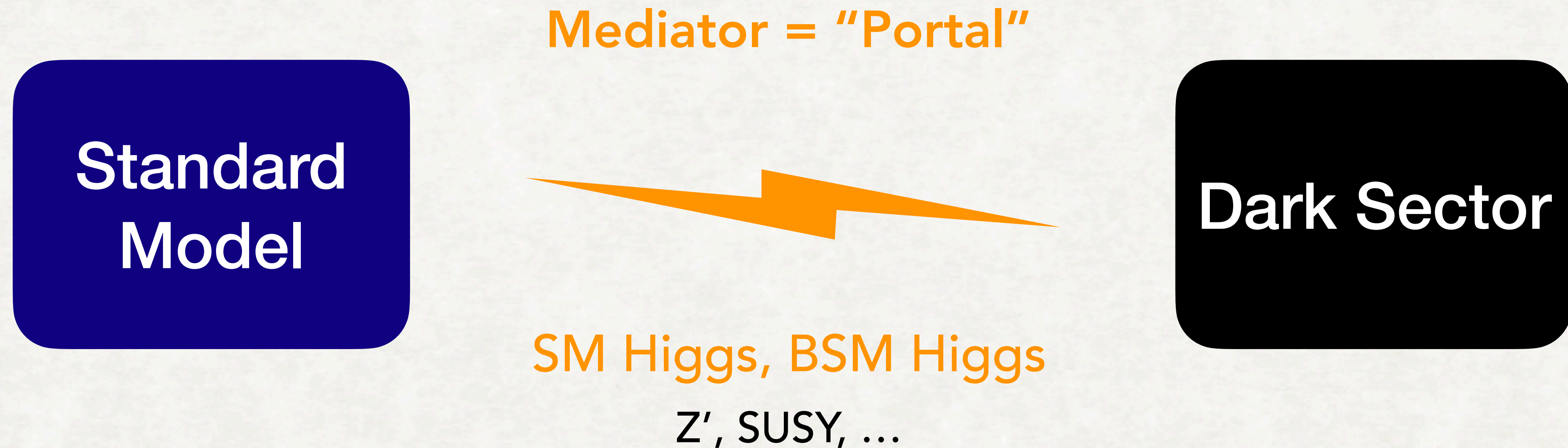
DM models predict a vast range of cross-sections/masses

Complementarity is important



Different experiments sensitive to different assumptions

Dark Matter interactions



In the following

- DM is assumed to be a SM singlet
- we concentrate on BSM Higgs portals

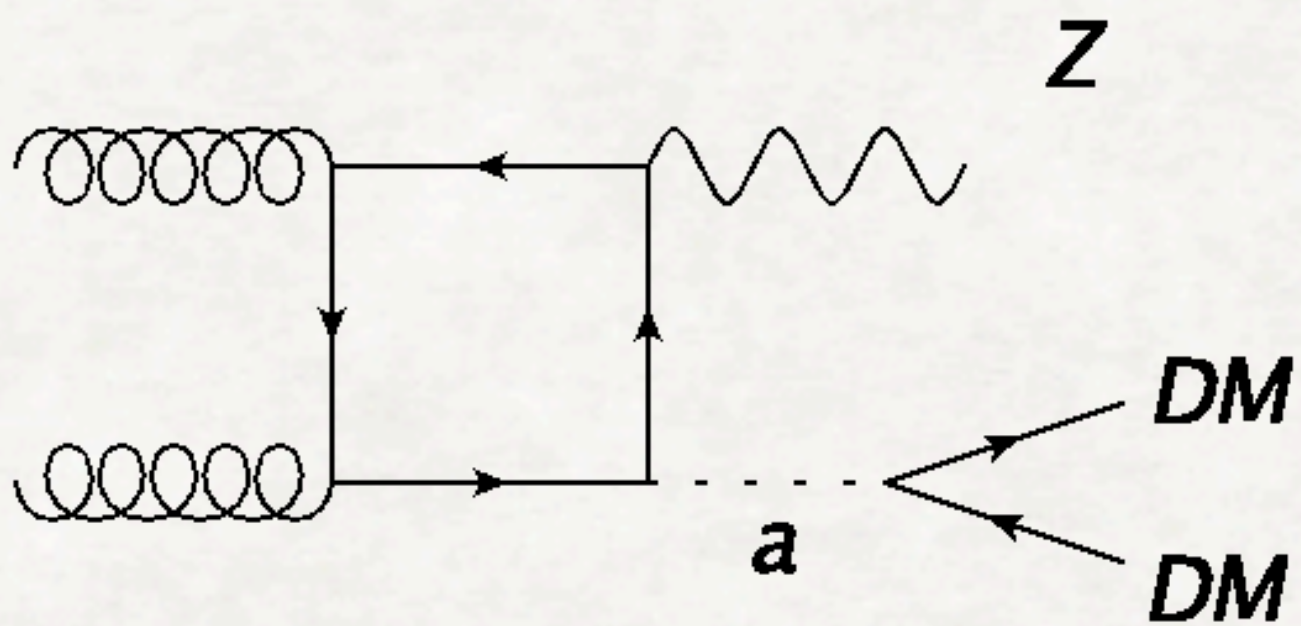
Classes of models

EFT

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{c}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{DM}}^{(d)}$$

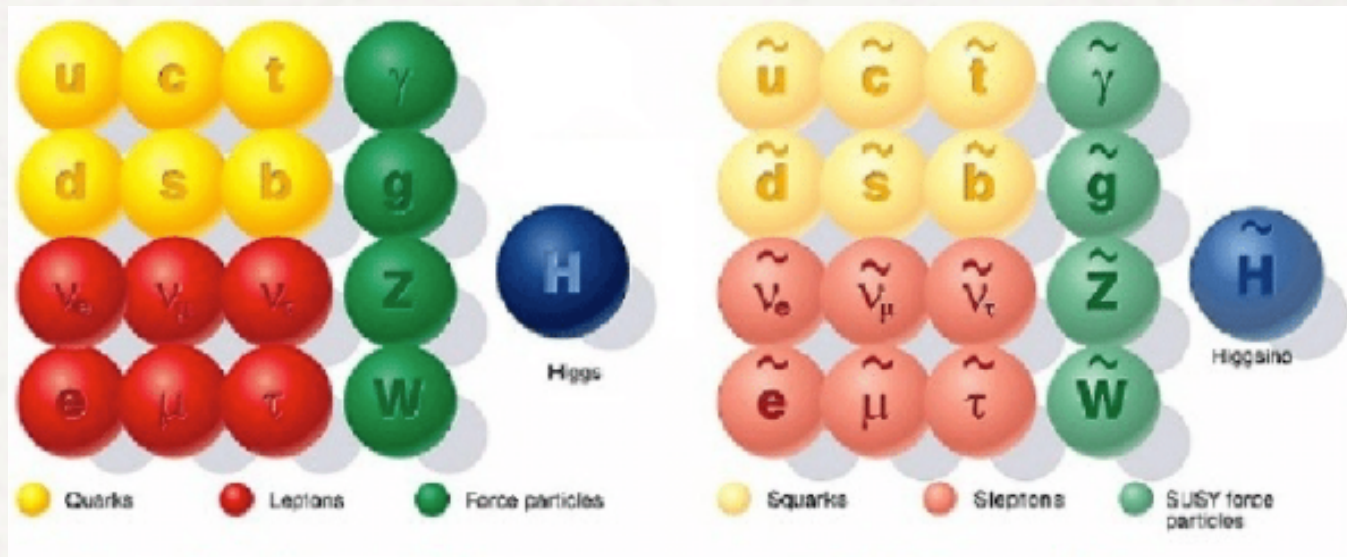
- agnostic to microscopic (UV) theory
- ✓ only 1 parameter (Λ)
- ⊙ breaks down at high energies

Simplified



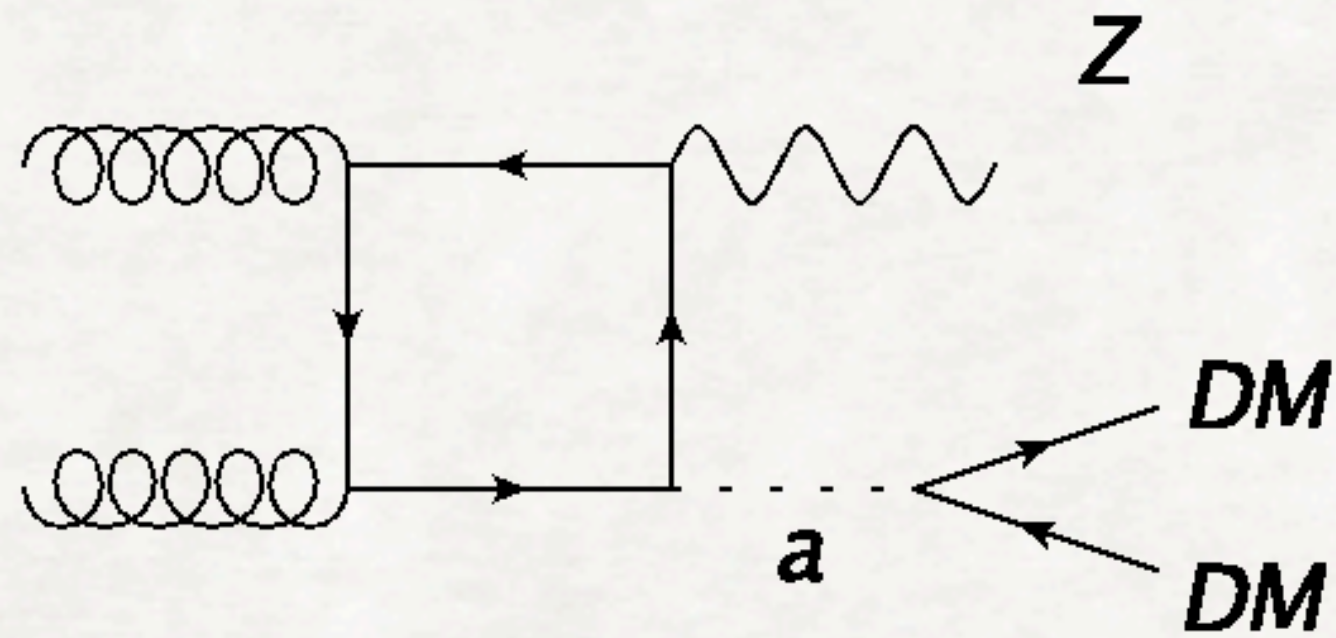
- add only 1 mediator coupling DM to SM
- ✓ very few parameters ($g_{\text{SM}}, g_{\text{DM}}, m_a$)
- ✓ minimal particle content

Complete



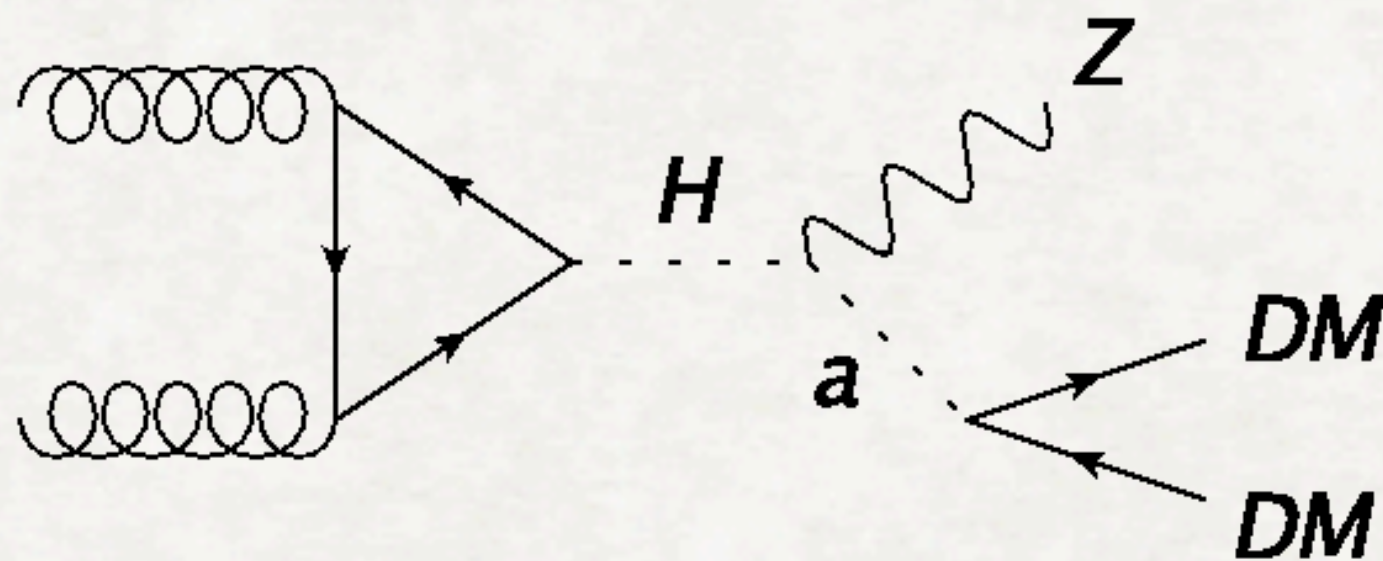
- e.g. MSSM
- several new particles
- ✓ predictions for everything
- ⊙ many parameters
- ⊙ very hard to constrain

The need for extended Higgs sectors



If a is singlet \Rightarrow unitarity violation

$$\mathcal{M} \sim \ln^2 s$$

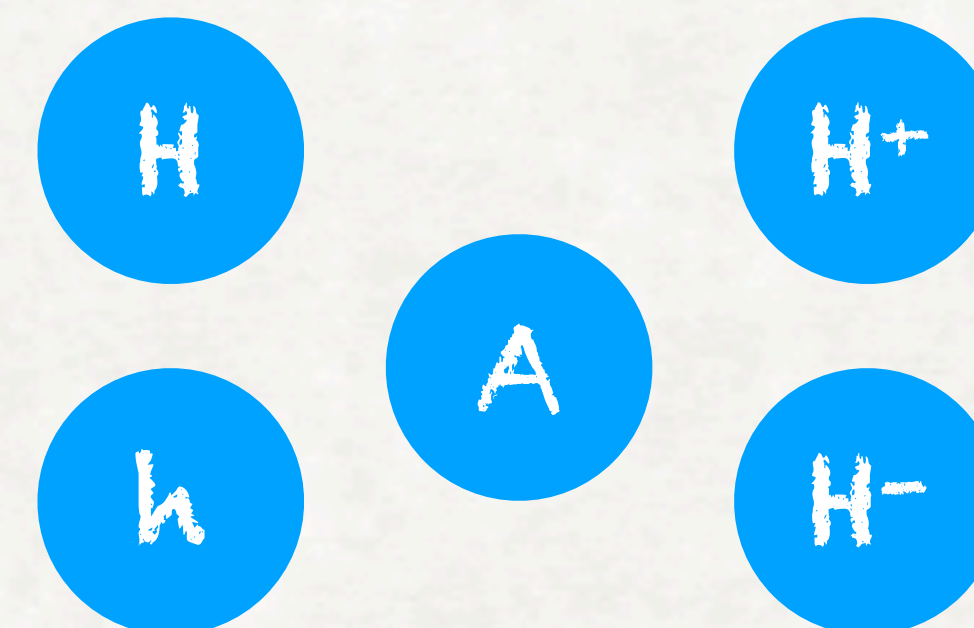


Extended Higgs sector:

- fixes unitarity violation
- ★ bonus: resonant signatures

The 2 Higgs Doublet Model

- 5 Higgs bosons
- 5 parameters considered:
 - m_A, m_H, m_{H^\pm}
 - α : mixing between H, h
 - $\tan\beta$: ratio of vacuum expectation values
- Different Yukawa structures
 - suppressed/enhanced couplings to fermions
- Alignment limit: $\cos(\beta-\alpha)=0$
 - h has the same couplings as the SM Higgs
- related to other models (e.g. axion, MSSM, ...)

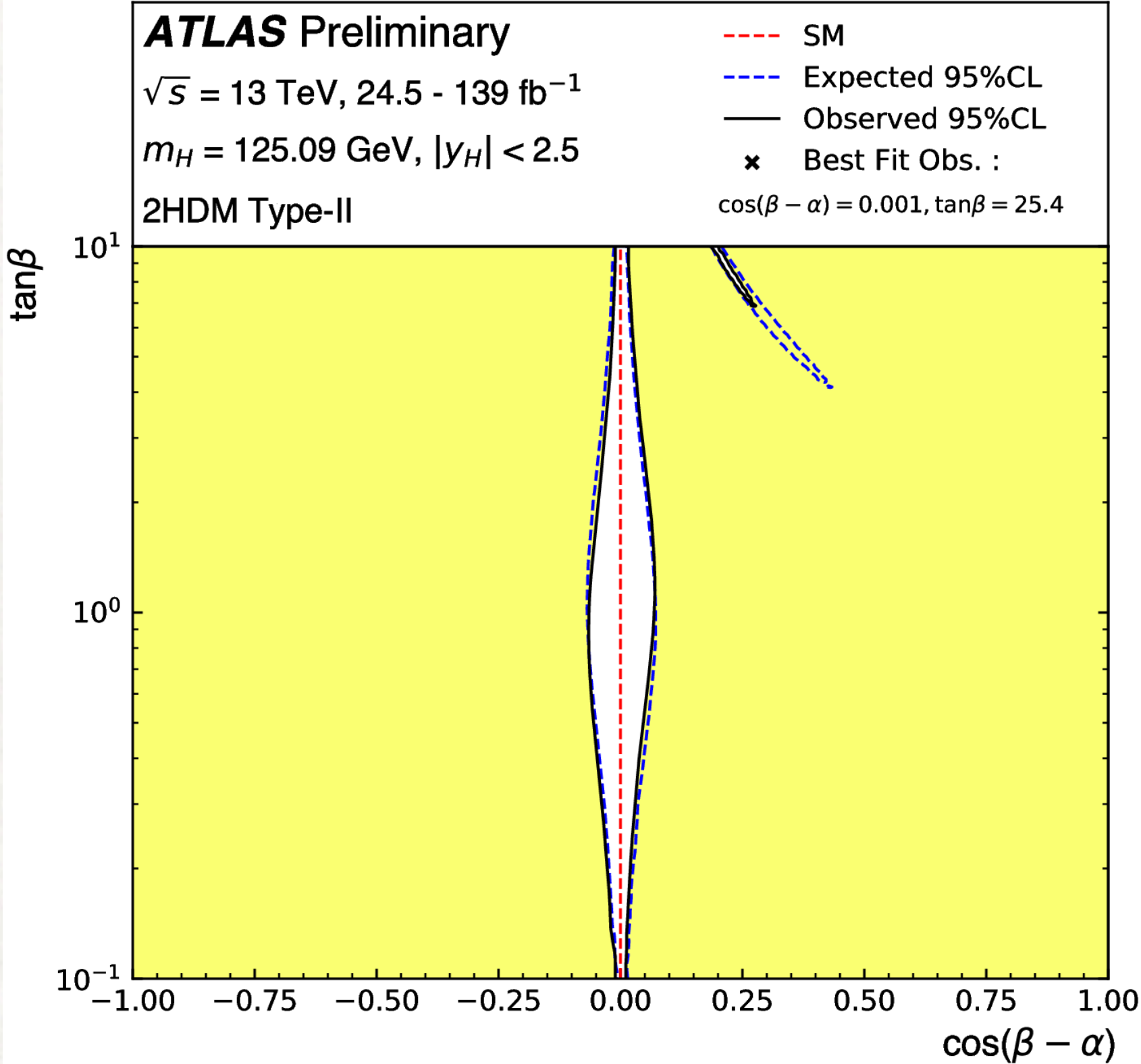


Coupling modifier	Type I	Type II
$\xi(h,u)$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$s_{\beta-\alpha} + c_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$
$\xi(h,d), \xi(h,l)$		$s_{\beta-\alpha} - c_{\beta-\alpha}t_\beta$
$\xi(H,u)$	$c_{\beta-\alpha} - s_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$	$c_{\beta-\alpha} - s_{\beta-\alpha}/t_\beta$
$\xi(H,d), \xi(H,l)$		$c_{\beta-\alpha} + s_{\beta-\alpha}t_\beta$
$\xi(A,u)$	$1/t_\beta$	$1/t_\beta$
$\xi(A,d), \xi(A,l)$		t_β
$\xi(h,VV)$		$s_{\beta-\alpha}$
$\xi(H,VV)$		$c_{\beta-\alpha}$
$\xi(A,VV)$		0

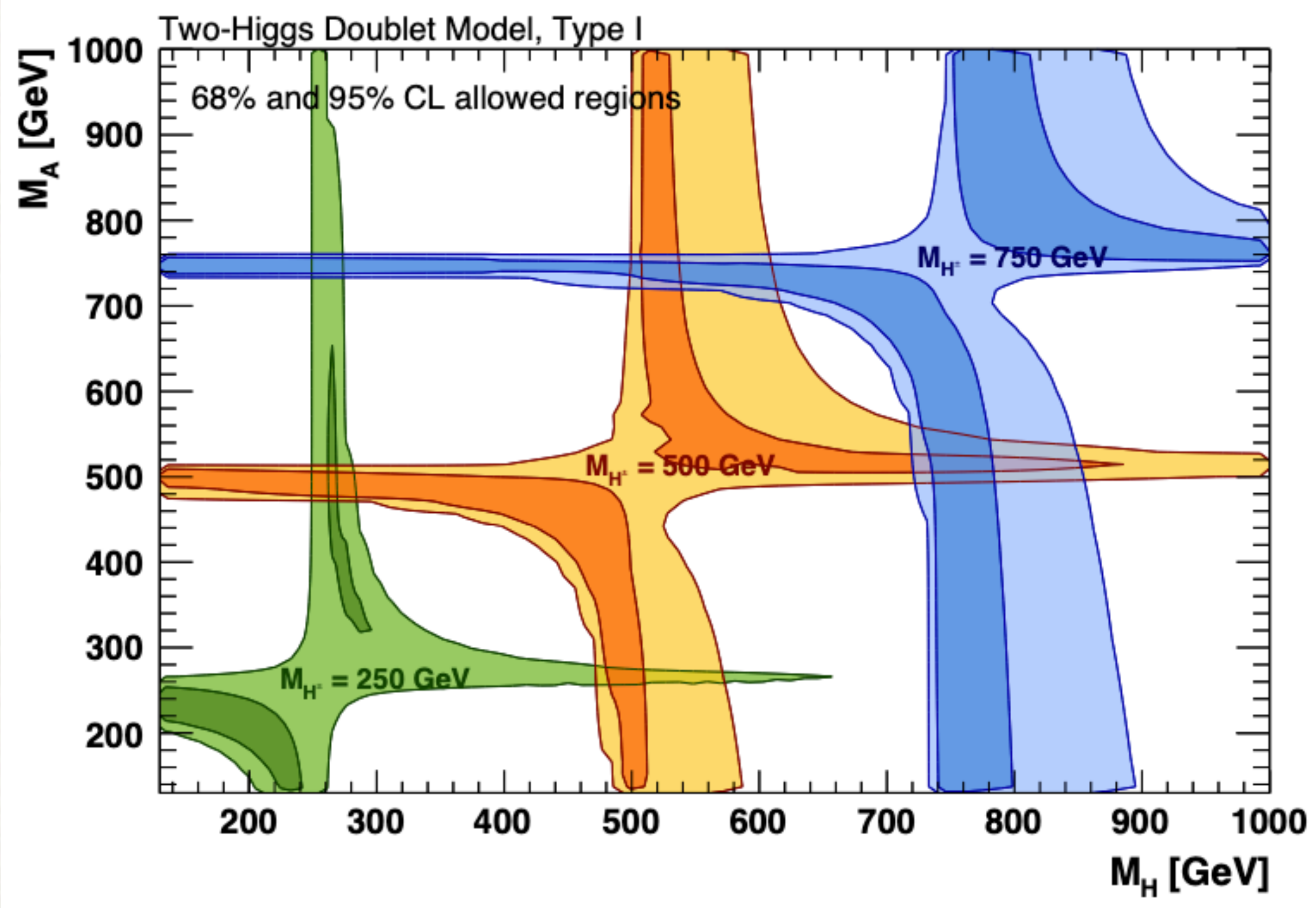
[Braco et al, Phys.Rept. 516 \(2012\) 1](#)

[Rompotis, Ferrari, Symmetry 2021,13,2144](#)

Constraints



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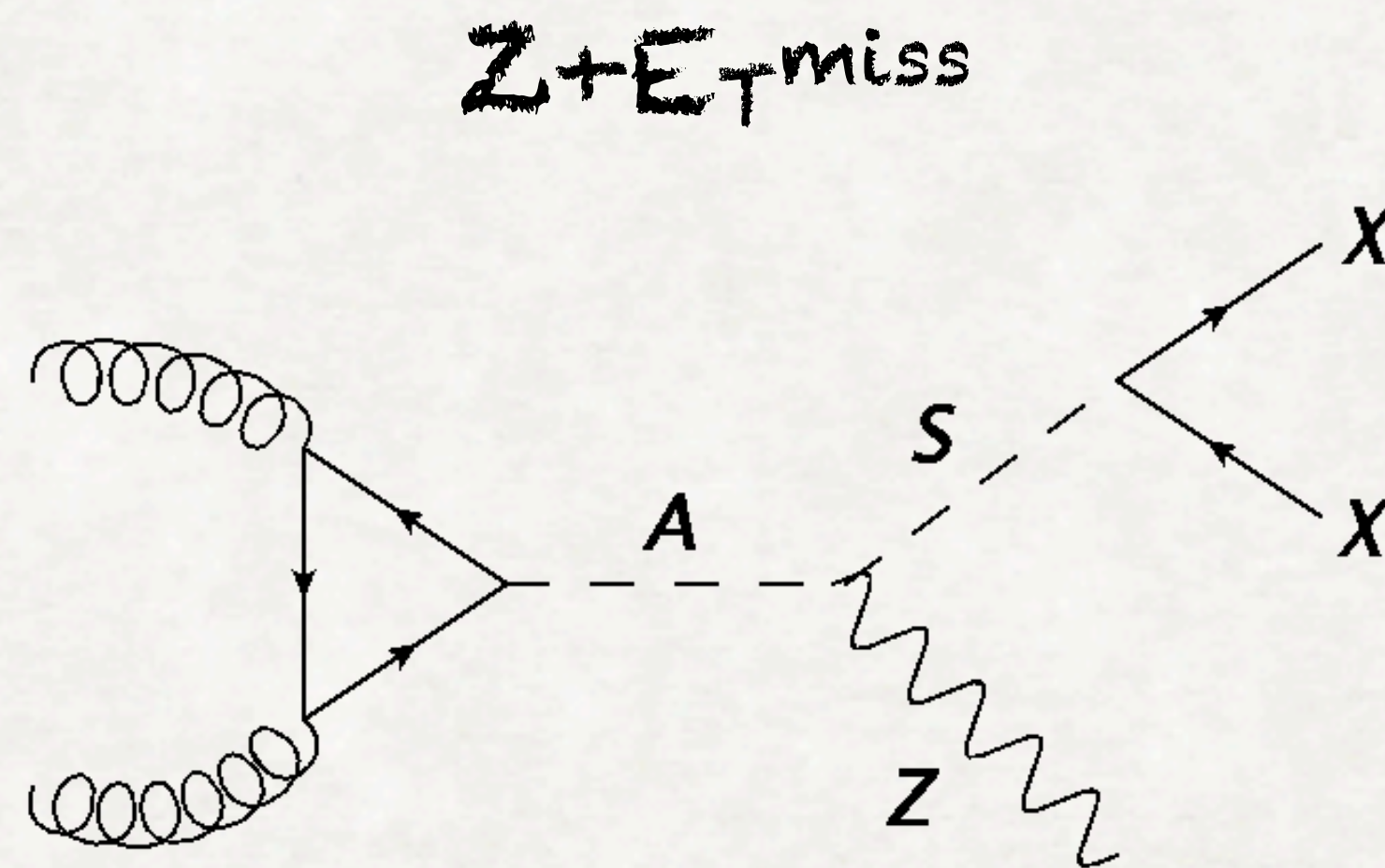
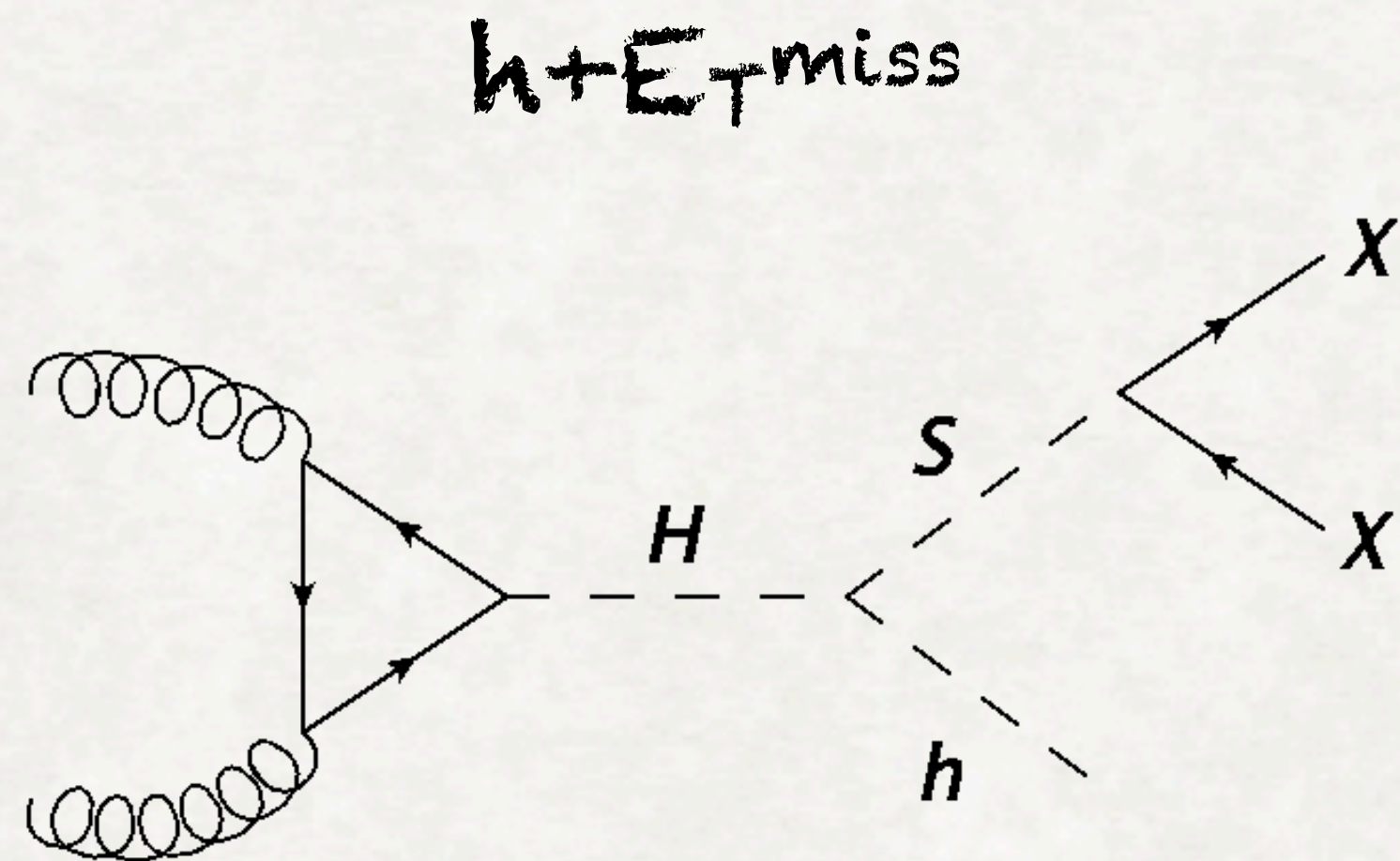
- Higgs coupling measurements: we are close to alignment limit
- H^\pm must be degenerate with A or H: consider $\cos(\beta - \alpha) = 0$ & $m_A = m_H = m_{H^\pm}$

Model #1: 2HDM + scalar

- 2HDM Type-II
- Extra **scalar mediator S** that couples to DM
- Mixing between CP-even scalars
- 6 Higgs bosons
- Resonant signatures

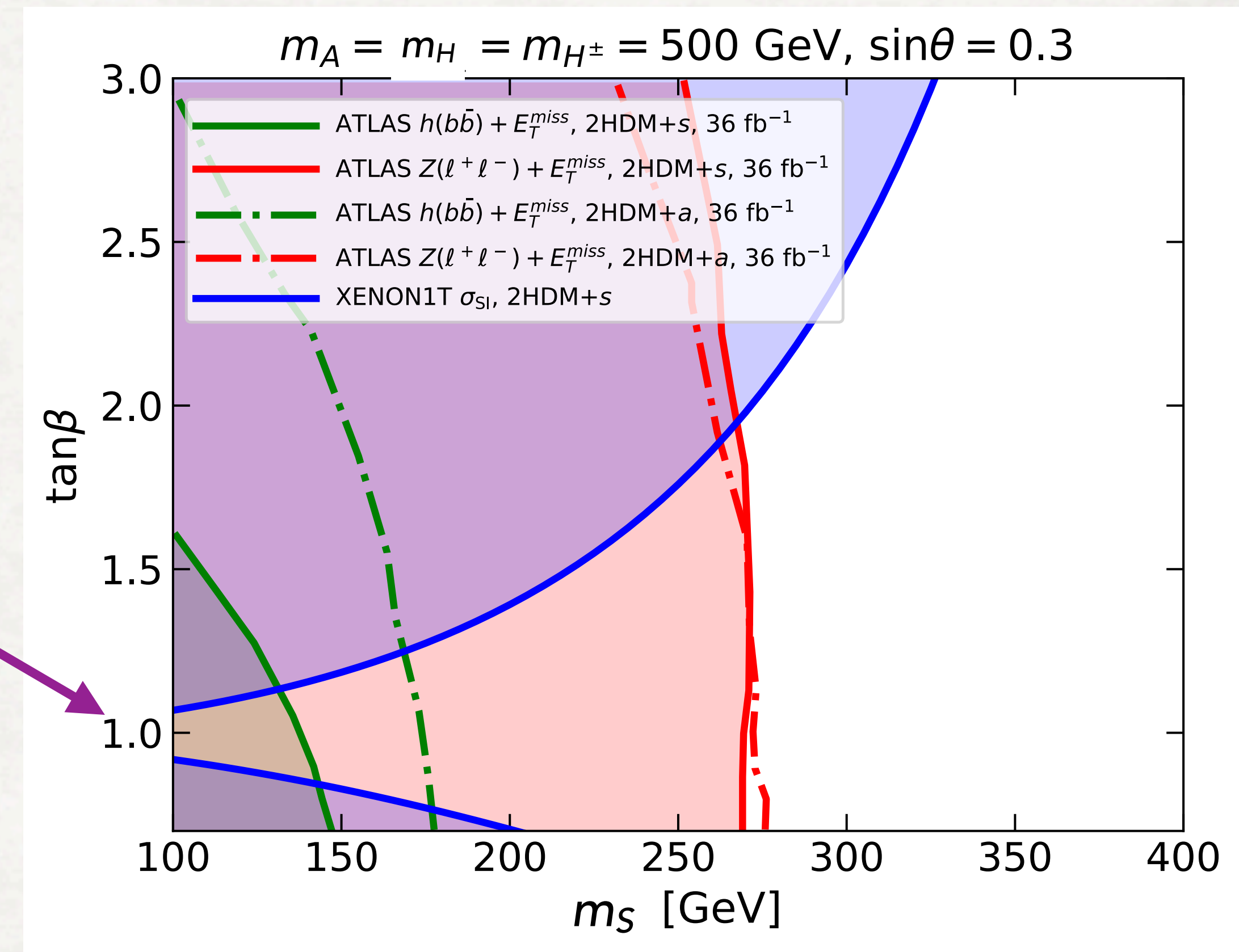
$$H = \cos \theta \tilde{H} + \sin \theta \tilde{S}$$

$$S = -\sin \theta \tilde{H} + \cos \theta \tilde{S}$$



2HDM + scalar: constraints

- Not very much explored @ LHC
- Scalar mediator \Rightarrow **dominant constraints from direct detection**
- ★ **DD experiments blind in certain regions**
 - scalars are degenerate ($m_S = m_H$)
 - $\tan\beta \cong 1$
 - even for models that are considered DD territory, **LHC can provide complementary constraints**



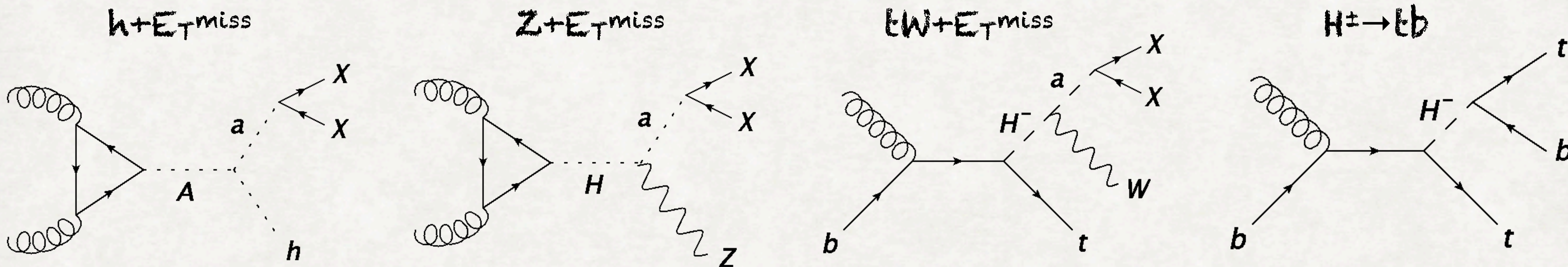
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Model #2: 2HDM + pseudoscalar

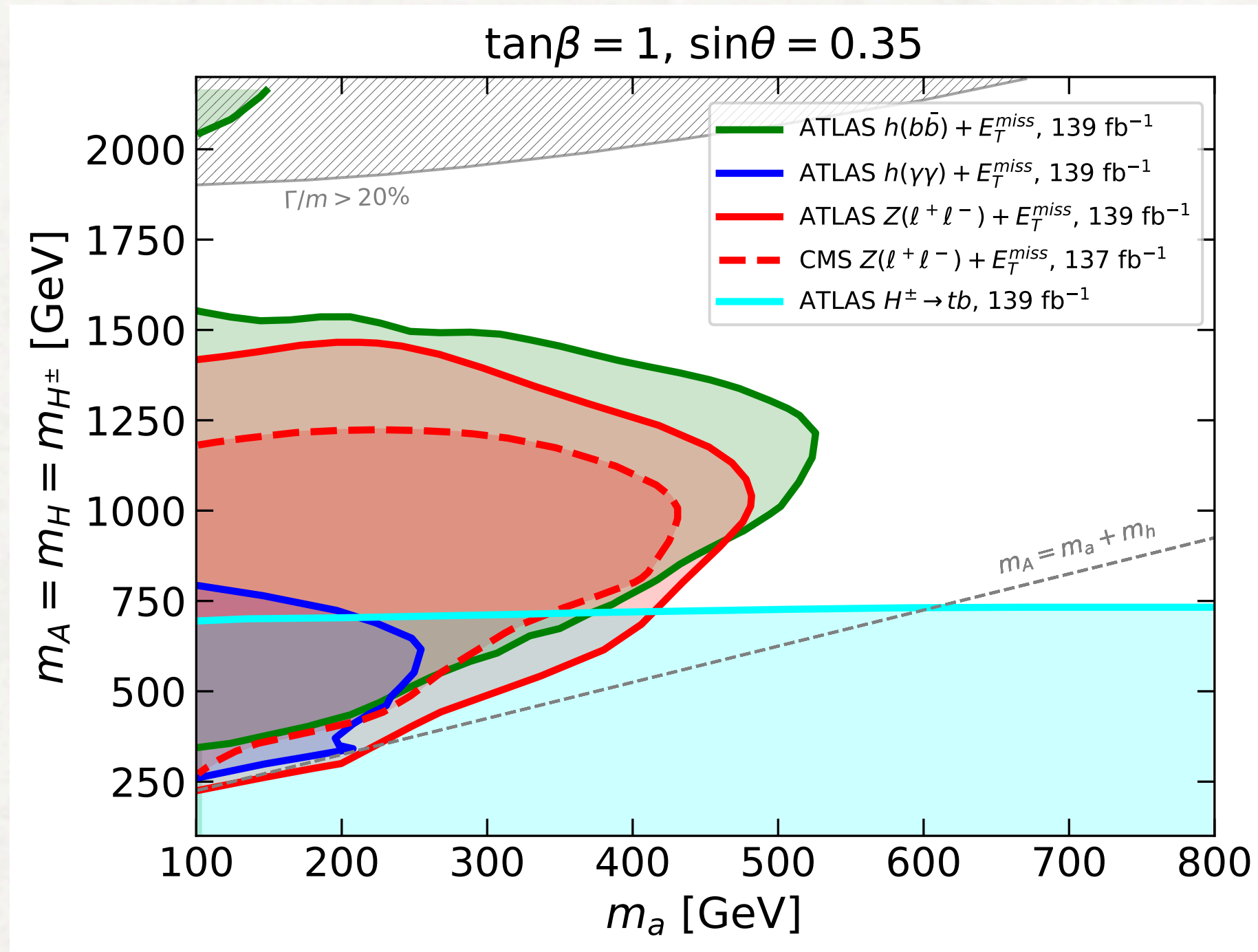
- 2HDM Type-II
- Mixing between CP-odd Higgses
- 6 Higgs bosons
- Extra **pseudoscalar mediator** a that couples to DM
 - suppressed DD constraints
 - originally proposed to explain Fermi-LAT excess
- Very rich phenomenology: colliders + ID + DD

$$A = \cos \theta \tilde{A} + \sin \theta \tilde{a}$$

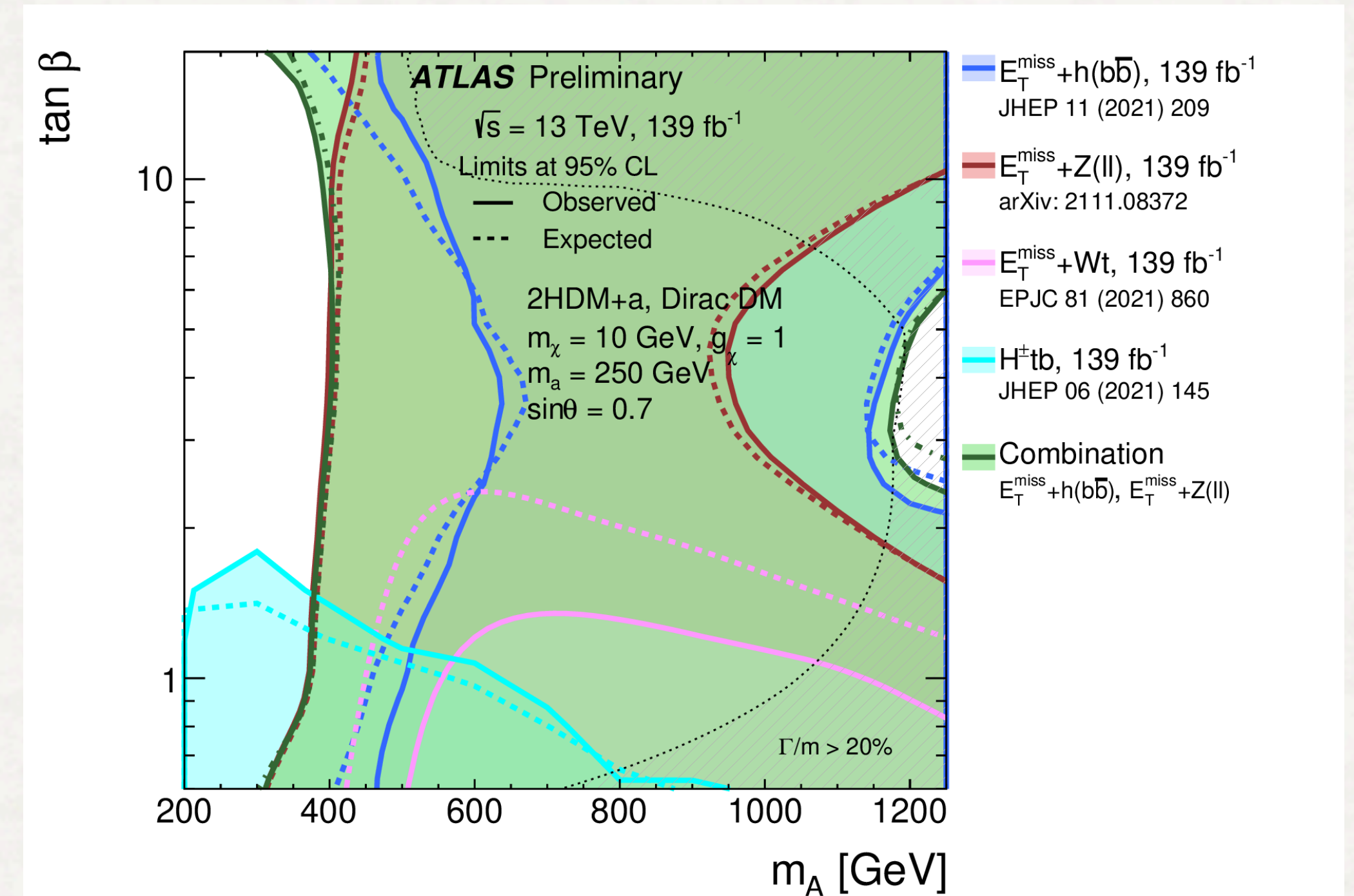
$$a = -\sin \theta \tilde{A} + \cos \theta \tilde{a}$$



2HDM + pseudoscalar: constraints



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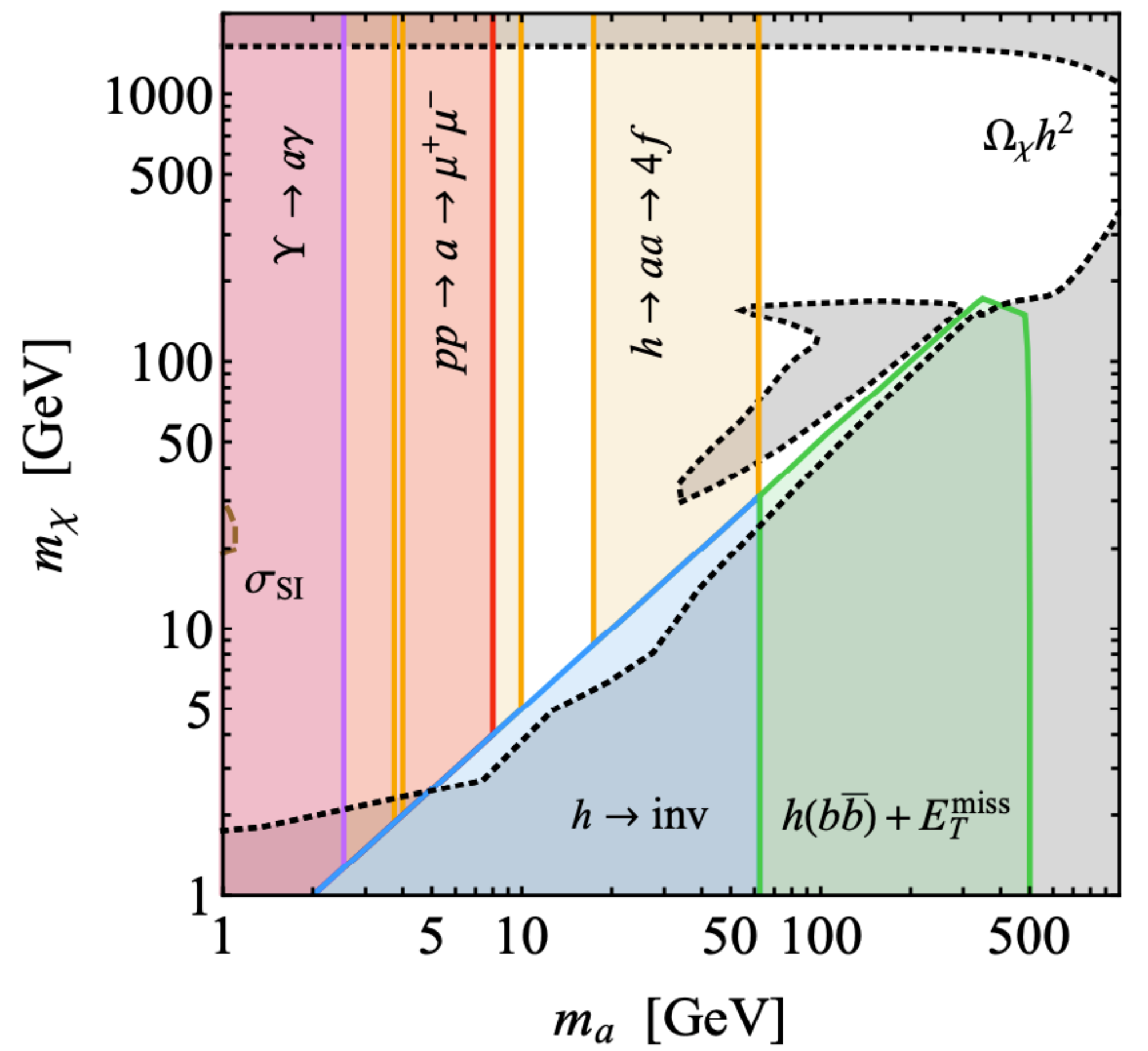
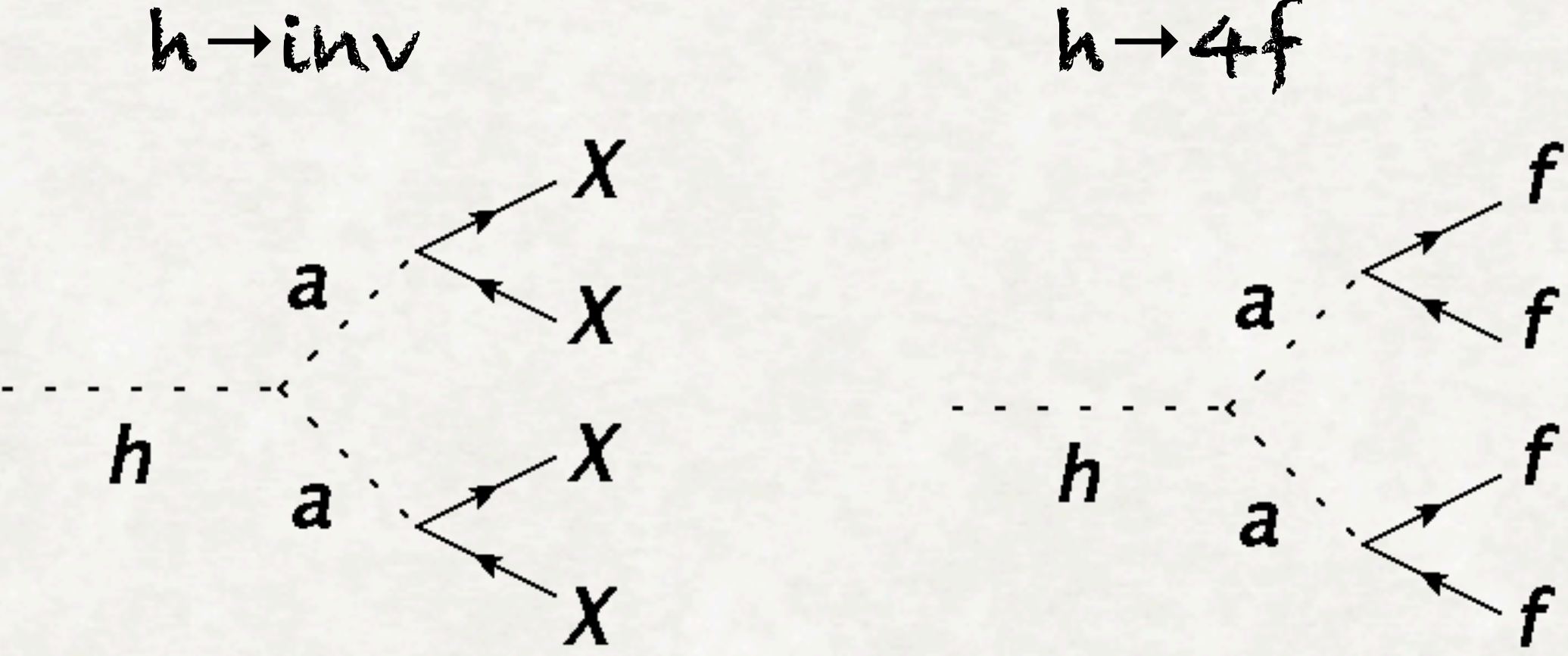


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- A lot of parameter space excluded, $m_a \gtrsim 500 \text{ GeV}$, $m_A \gtrsim 1 \text{ TeV}$ for a range of mixing angles
- Goal: close sensitivity gaps (e.g. low m_A, m_a at intermediate $\tan\beta$)

Complementary searches

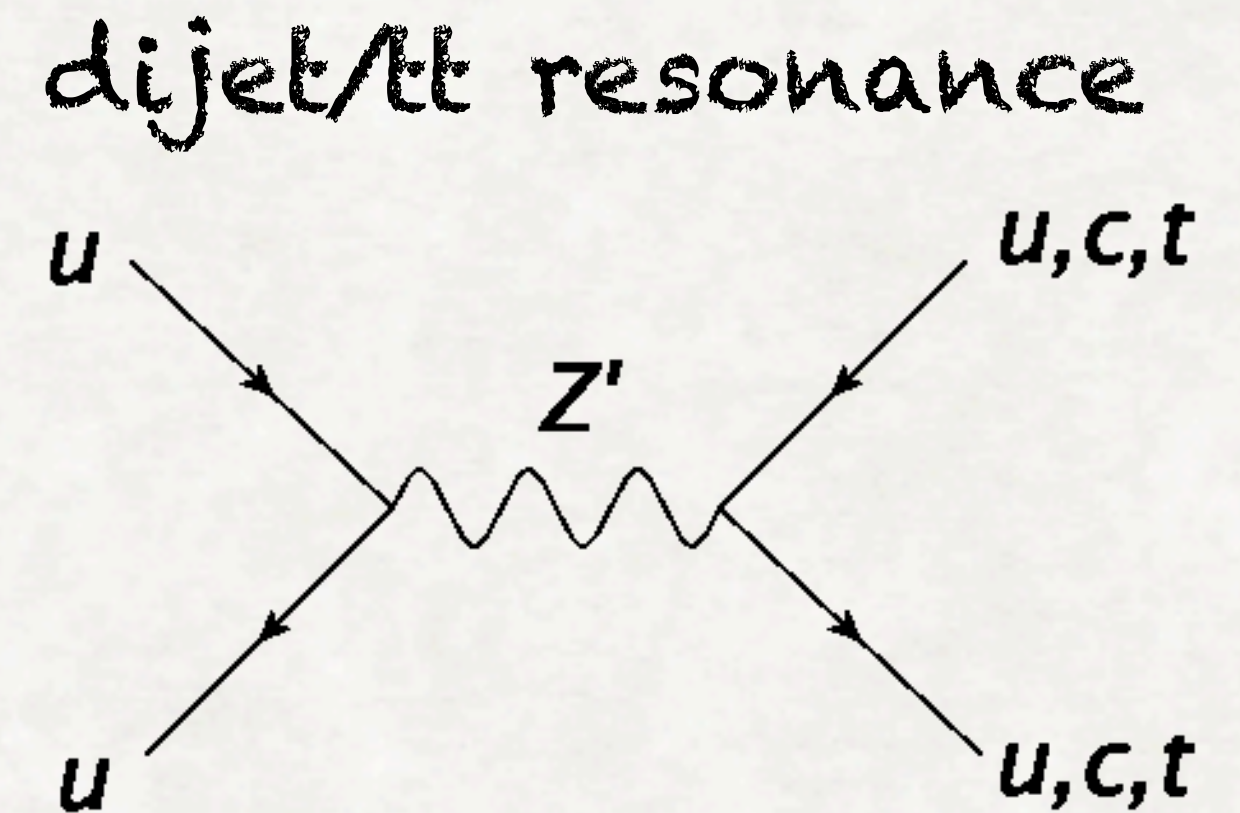
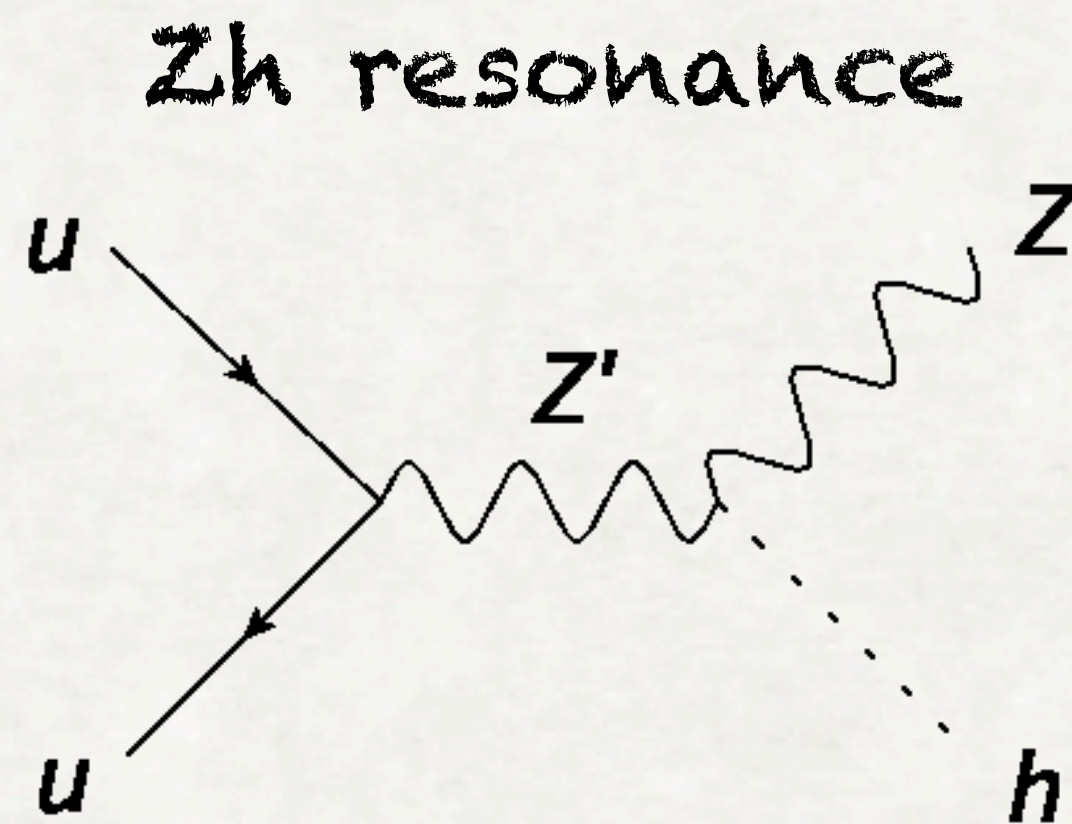
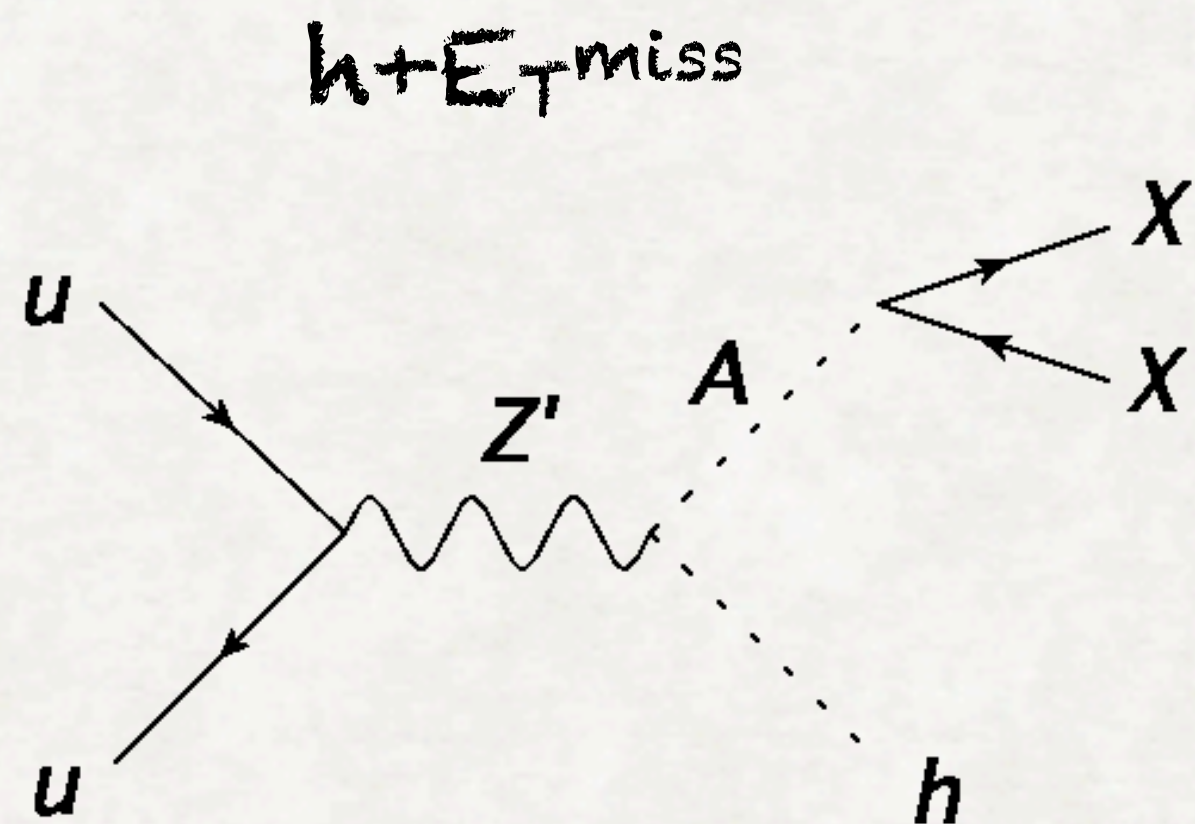
- $m_a > m_h/2$ & low m_χ : $X + E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- $m_a < m_h/2$ & $m_\chi < m_a/2$: $h \rightarrow \text{invisible}$
- $m_a < m_h/2$ & $m_\chi > m_a/2$: $h \rightarrow 4 \text{ fermions}$



[SA, Haisch, 2202.12631](https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.12631)

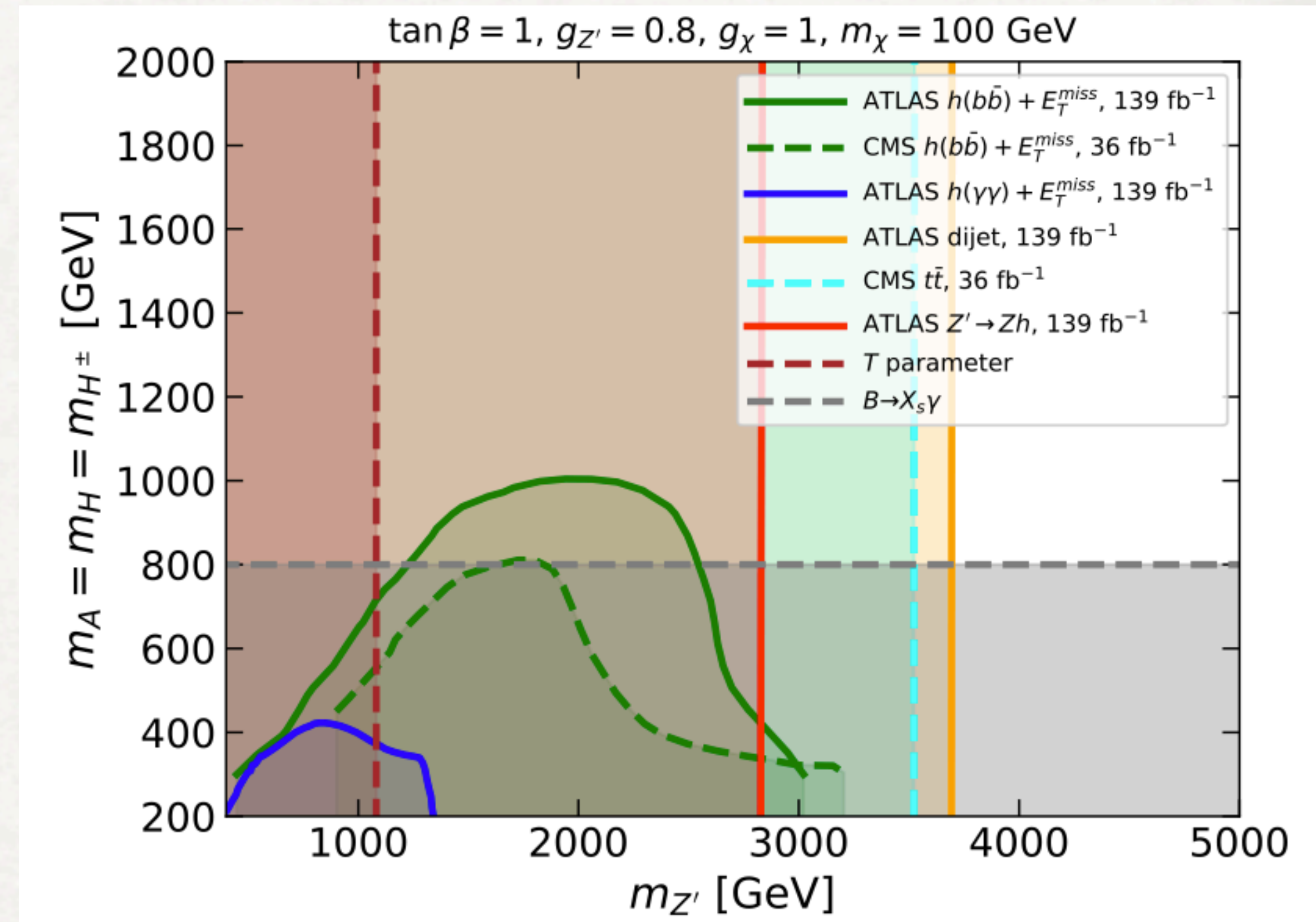
Model #3: 2HDM + vector

- 2HDM Type-II + Z' only coupling to up-type quark \Rightarrow evades di-lepton constraints
- CP-odd Higgs A couples to DM particles
- Large $h + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ signal (highly boosted Higgs in contrast to 2HDM+a)
- Also constraints from EW measurements and dijets



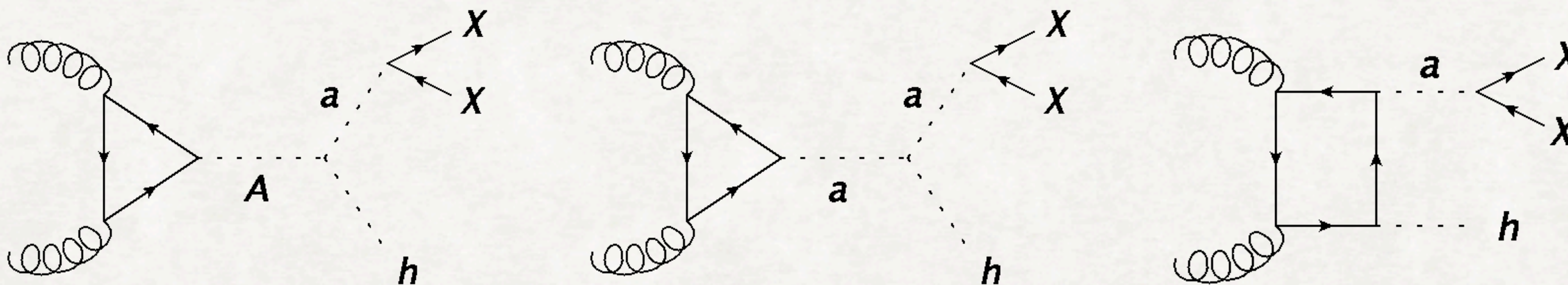
2HDM + vector: constraints

- $m_{Z'}$ excluded up to 2-3 TeV for $m_A \lesssim 1$ TeV
- EW and flavour measurements provide significant constraints
- Zh and dijet resonances provide better constraints (and this seems hard to avoid)
 - ➔ “DM searches” don’t always provide the best constraints to DM models



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"Model-independent" Limits

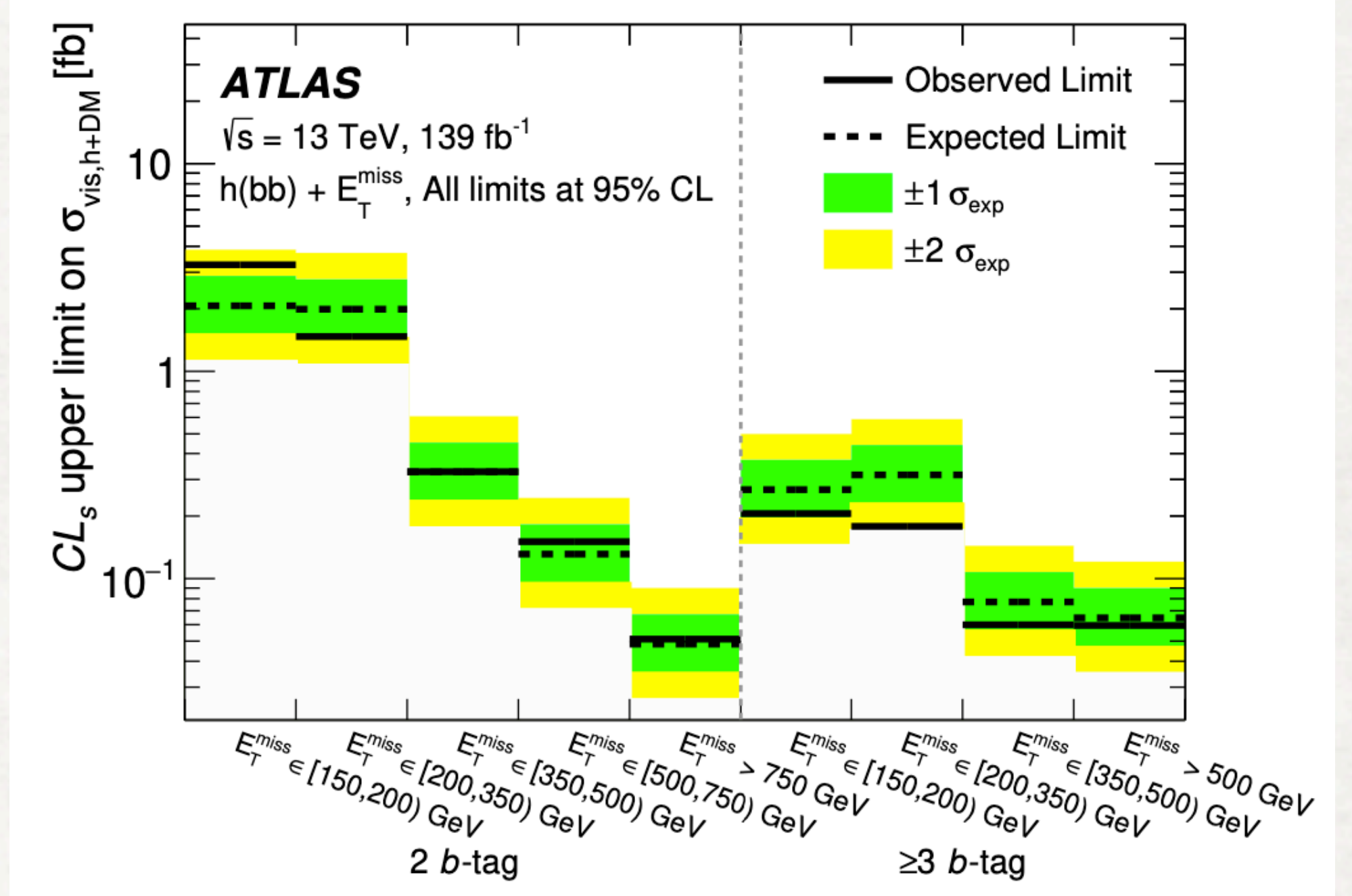
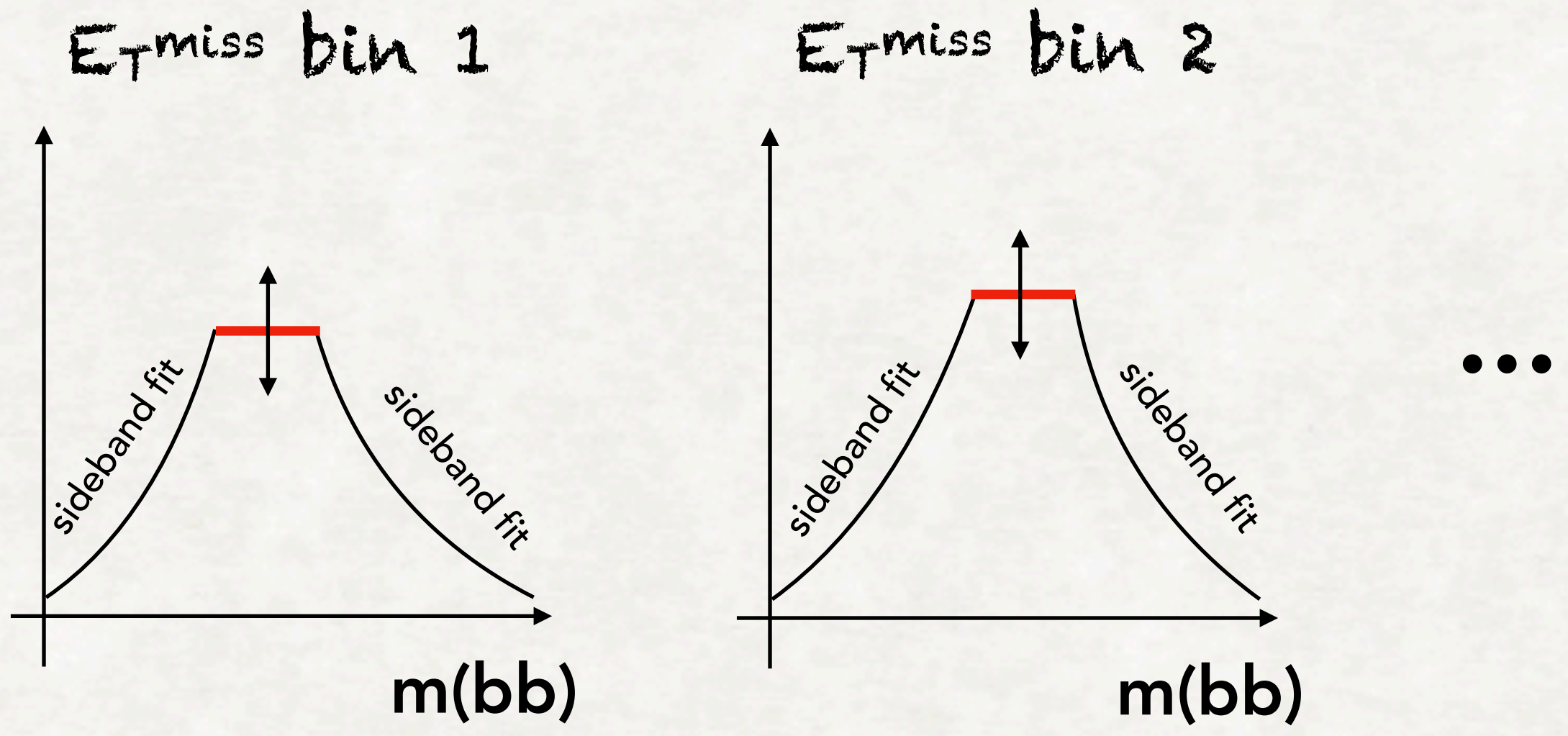


- Parameter choices can affect signal characteristics (e.g. softer E_T^{miss})

➔ How can we produce limits that theorists can easily re-interpret?

"Model-independent" Limits

- Alternative way of presenting constraints $\sigma_{h+\text{DM}}^{\text{vis}} \equiv \sigma_{h+\text{DM}} \times \text{BR}(h \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \times (\mathcal{A} \times \epsilon)$



[JHEP 11 \(2021\) 209](https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.01011)

- Maximum cross-section of a signal-like resonance that the data can accommodate
- Folding with Axε theorists can re-interpret results in any model with SM-like Higgs

Conclusions

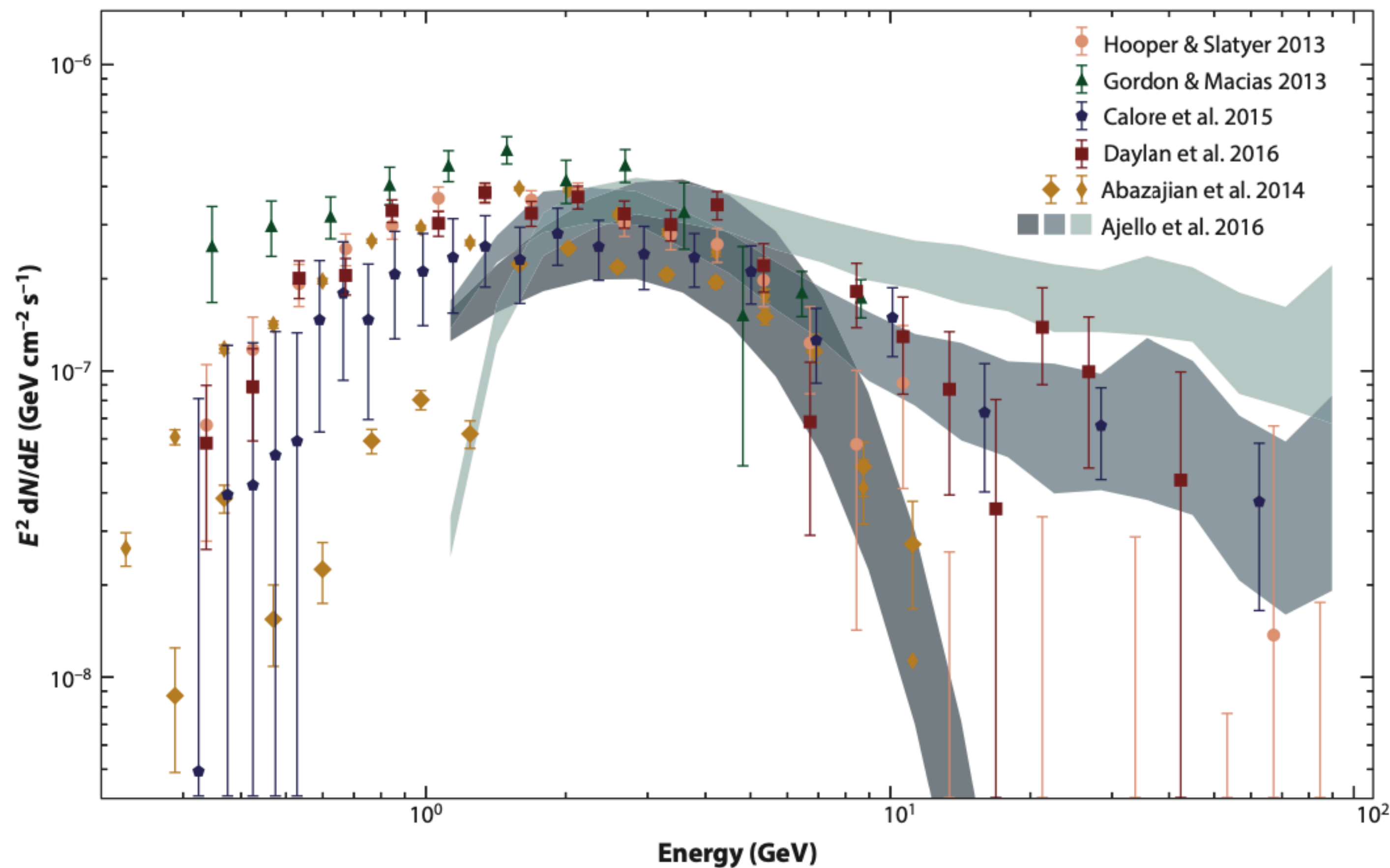
- **Dark Matter: among the few evidence for new physics**
- **Multifaceted approach necessary (different experiments + different analyses)**
- **Higgs sector(s) can provide a portal to DM: studying SM and BSM Higgs sectors crucial**
- **Simple models increasingly ruled out - we need:**
 - ➔ systematic approach: combinations + re-interpretations
 - ➔ exploration of all possible final states

“My emotional guess is that the dark sector shows the same complexity (as the visible sector)... far more interesting than our current ideas suggest.”

J. Peebles, interview to P. Charitos for CERN EP newsletter

Backup

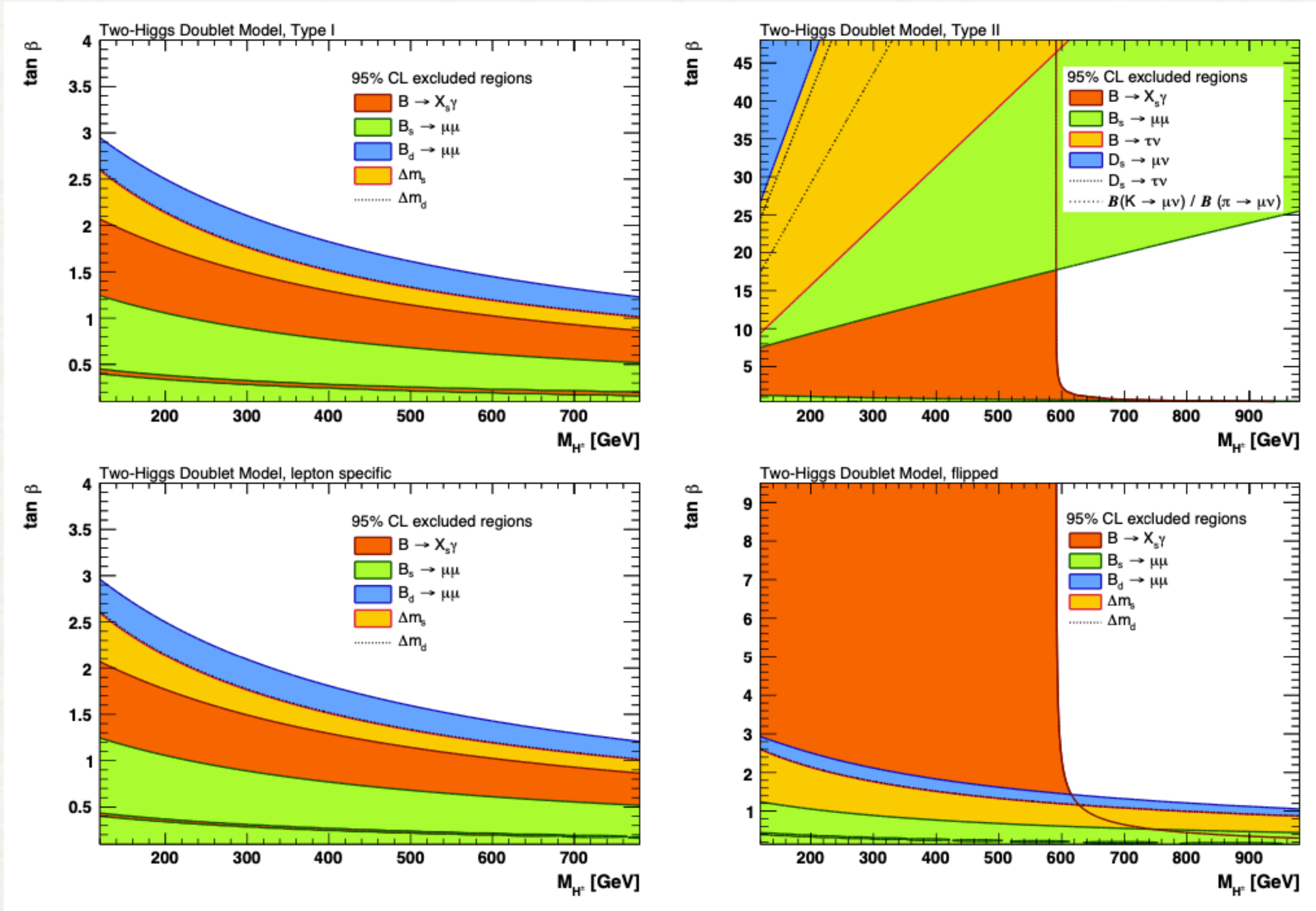
Status of Fermi-LAT excess



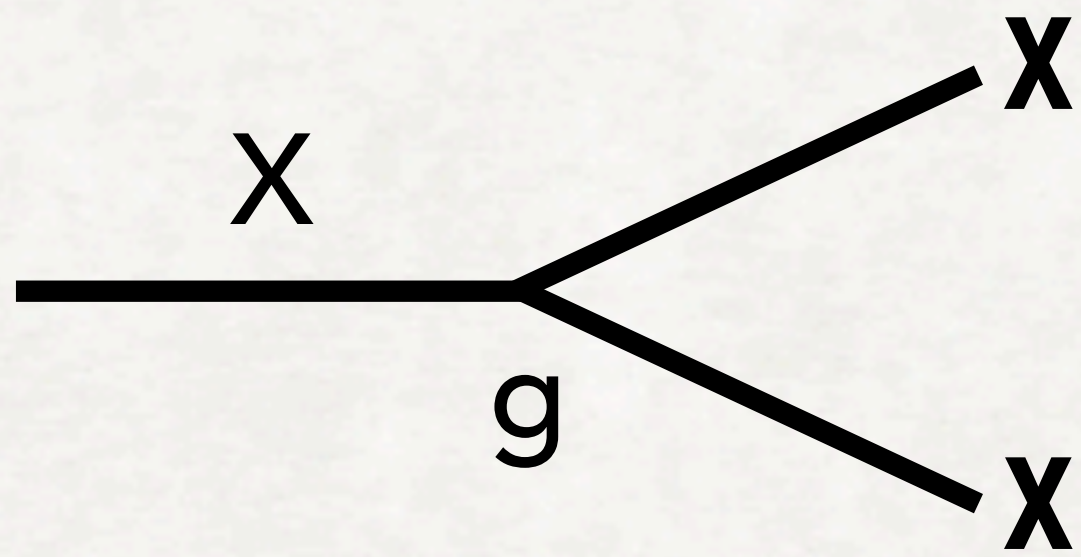
- Spectrum has a peak at a few GeV
- In this region dominant component of γ rays comes from interactions of cosmic rays with interstellar medium
- Not certain if it comes from DM (mass ~ 30 -60 GeV) annihilation (to b-quarks) or millisecond pulsar

Murgia, Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 2020. 70:455–83

2HDM constraints



Higgs vs Z portal



$$\Gamma(X \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}) \sim g^2 m_X$$

$$\text{BR}(X \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}) = \frac{\Gamma(X \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi})}{\Gamma_X}$$

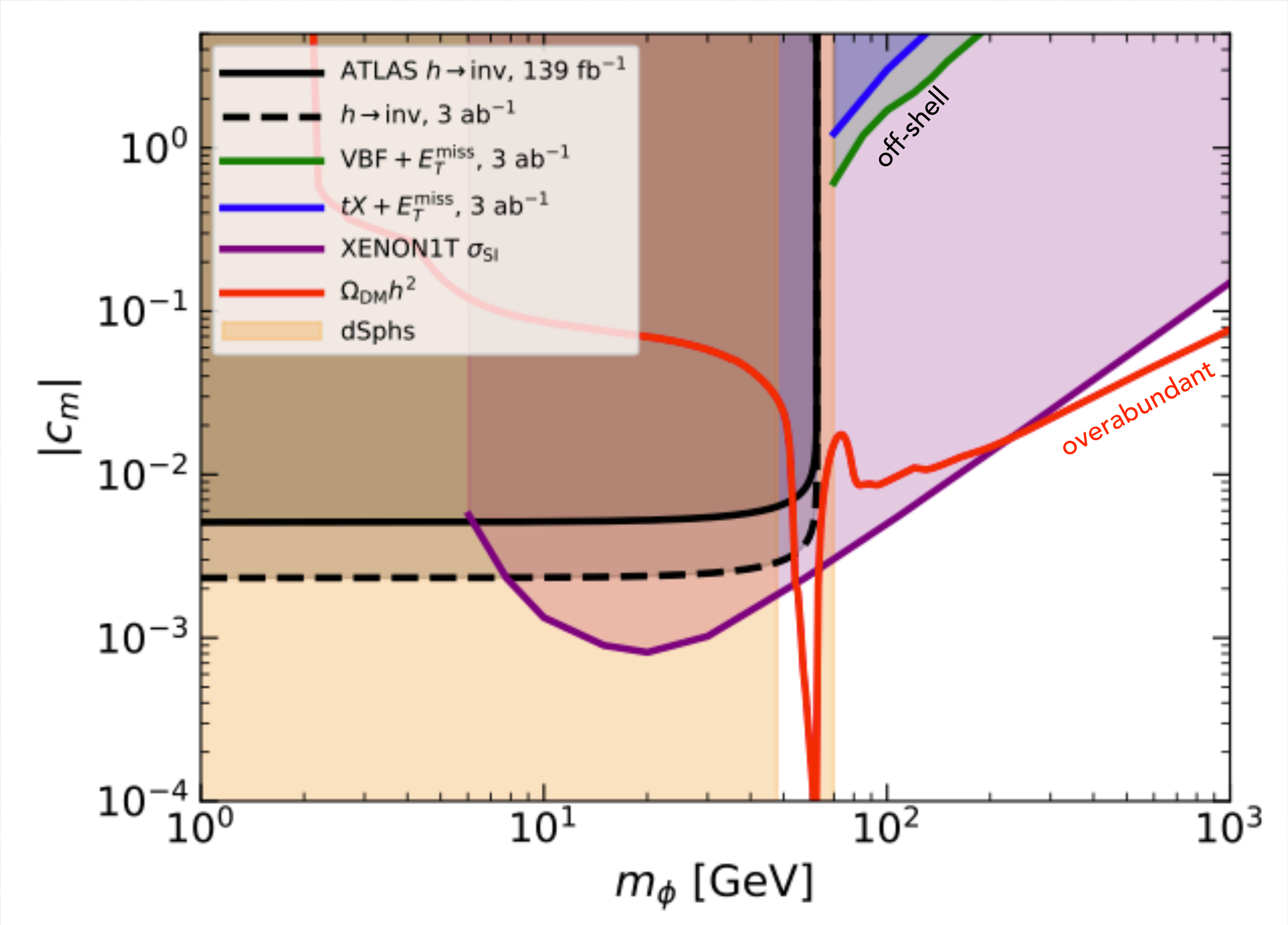
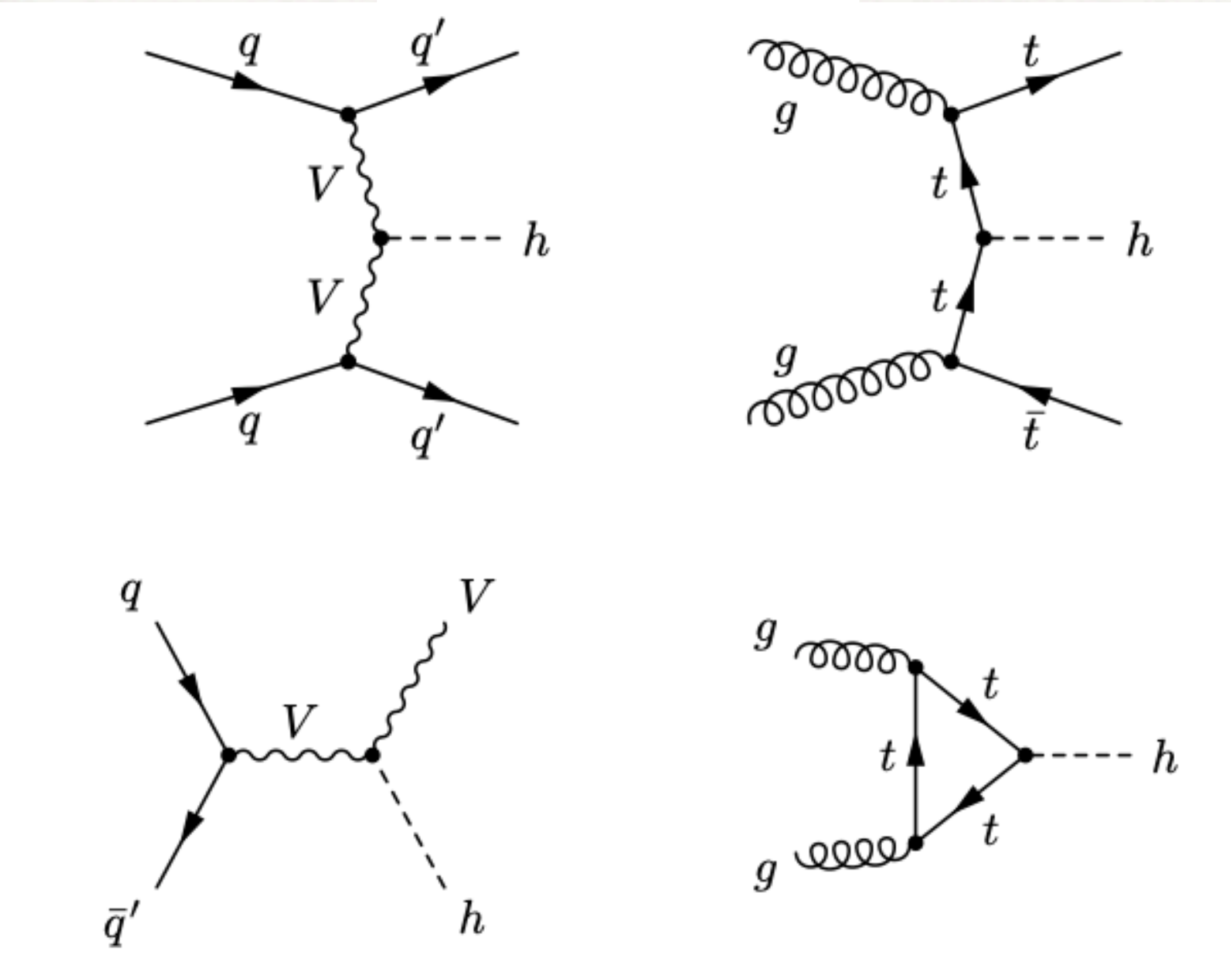
$$g \sim \frac{\Gamma_X \cdot \text{BR}(X \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi})}{m_X}$$

$$\Gamma_Z \simeq 2.5 \text{ GeV}, \Gamma(Z \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}) \lesssim 2 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow g \lesssim 0.03$$

$$\Gamma_h \simeq 4.1 \text{ MeV}, \Gamma(Z \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi}) \lesssim 0.5 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow g \lesssim 0.01$$

SM Higgs portal

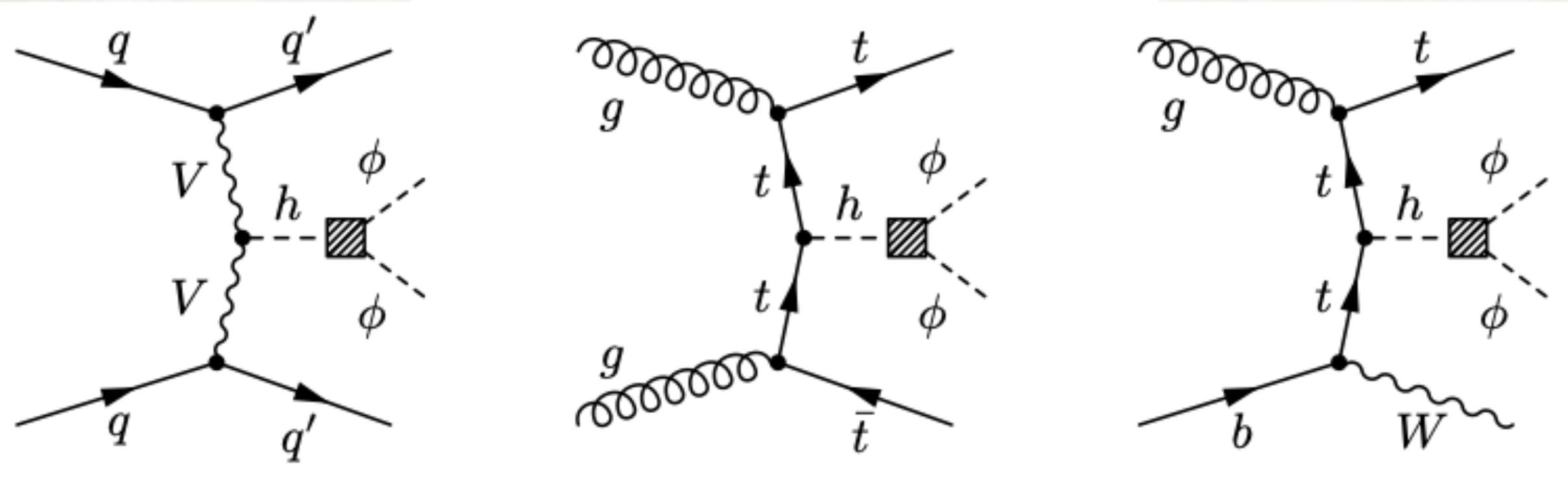
$$c_m \phi^2 (H^\dagger H)$$



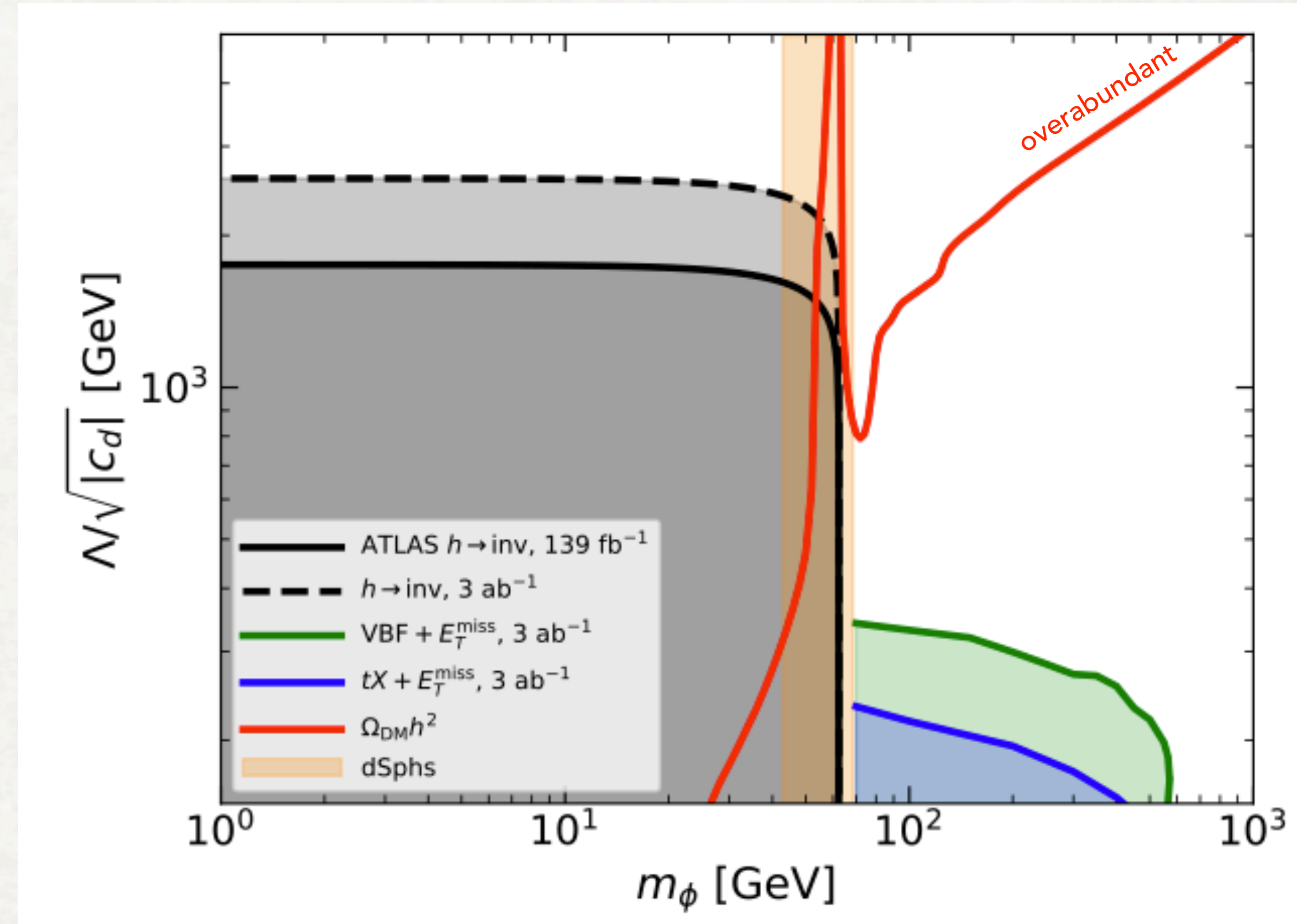
- DM scalar - dim 4 operator
- LHC constraints relevant for $m < 5$ GeV
- ID constraints from Fermi-LAT assume $\phi\phi \rightarrow bb$ and $\Omega h^2 = 0.12$, so model dependent

Derivative Higgs portal

$$\frac{c_d}{\Lambda^2} (\partial_\mu \phi^2) (\partial^\mu (H^\dagger H))$$



- dim 6 EFT operator
- arise in models with global symmetry breaking, where DM is a pNGB - $\Lambda \sim$ scale of symmetry breaking
- kinetic dependence of interaction suppresses DD constraints



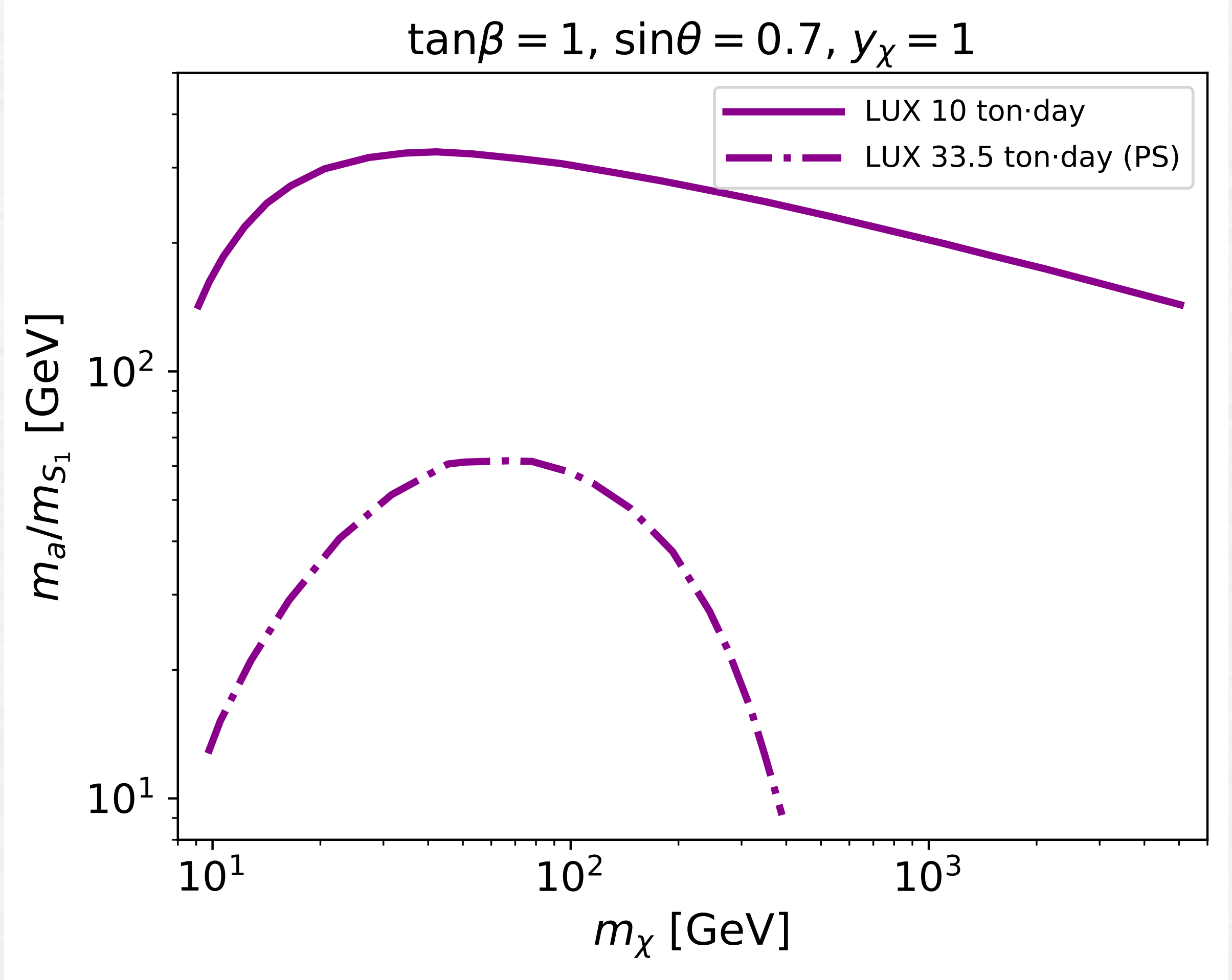
2HDM + scalar: WIMP-nucleon cross-section

Wilson coefficient of $\chi\bar{\chi}N\bar{N}$

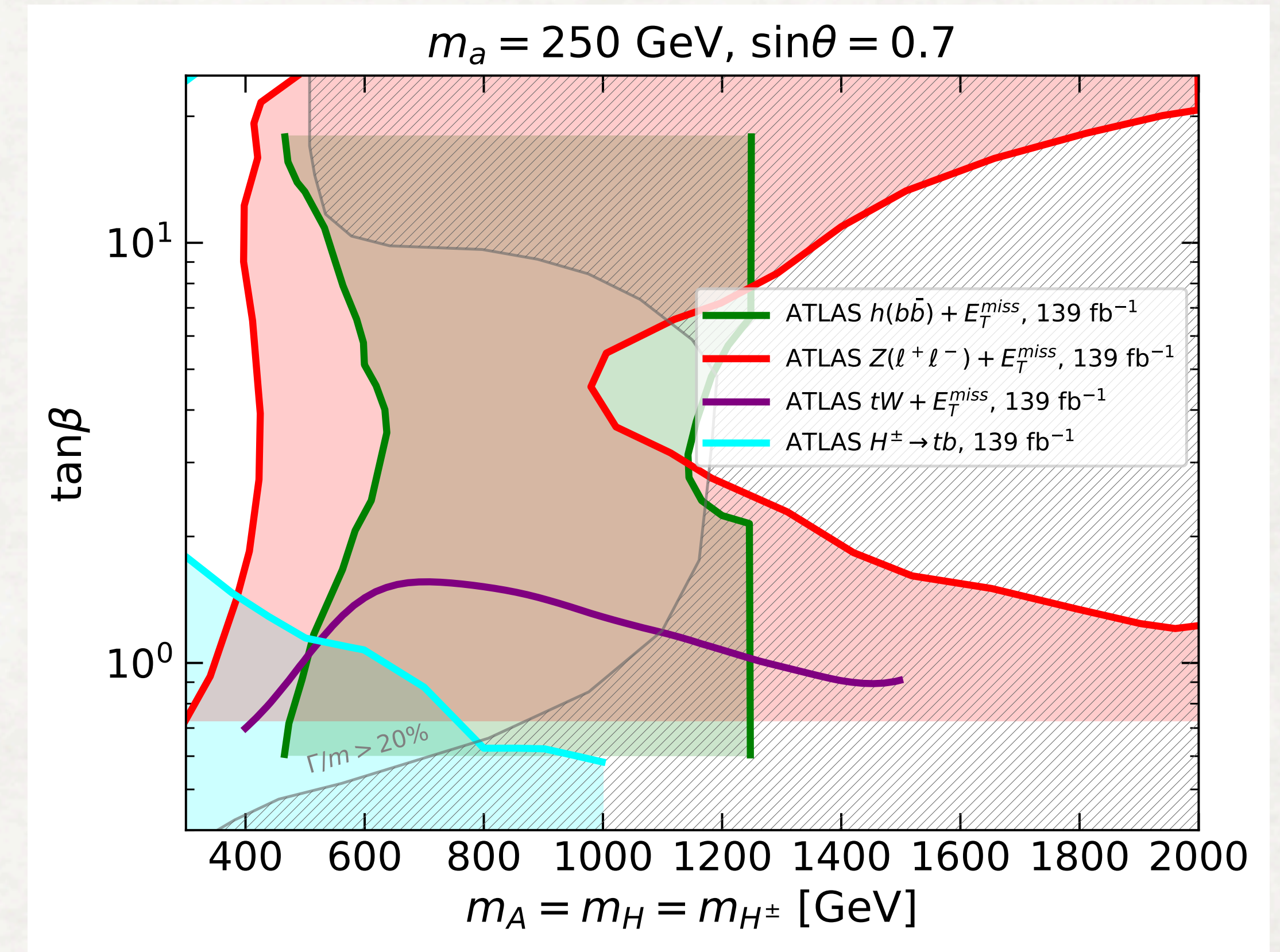
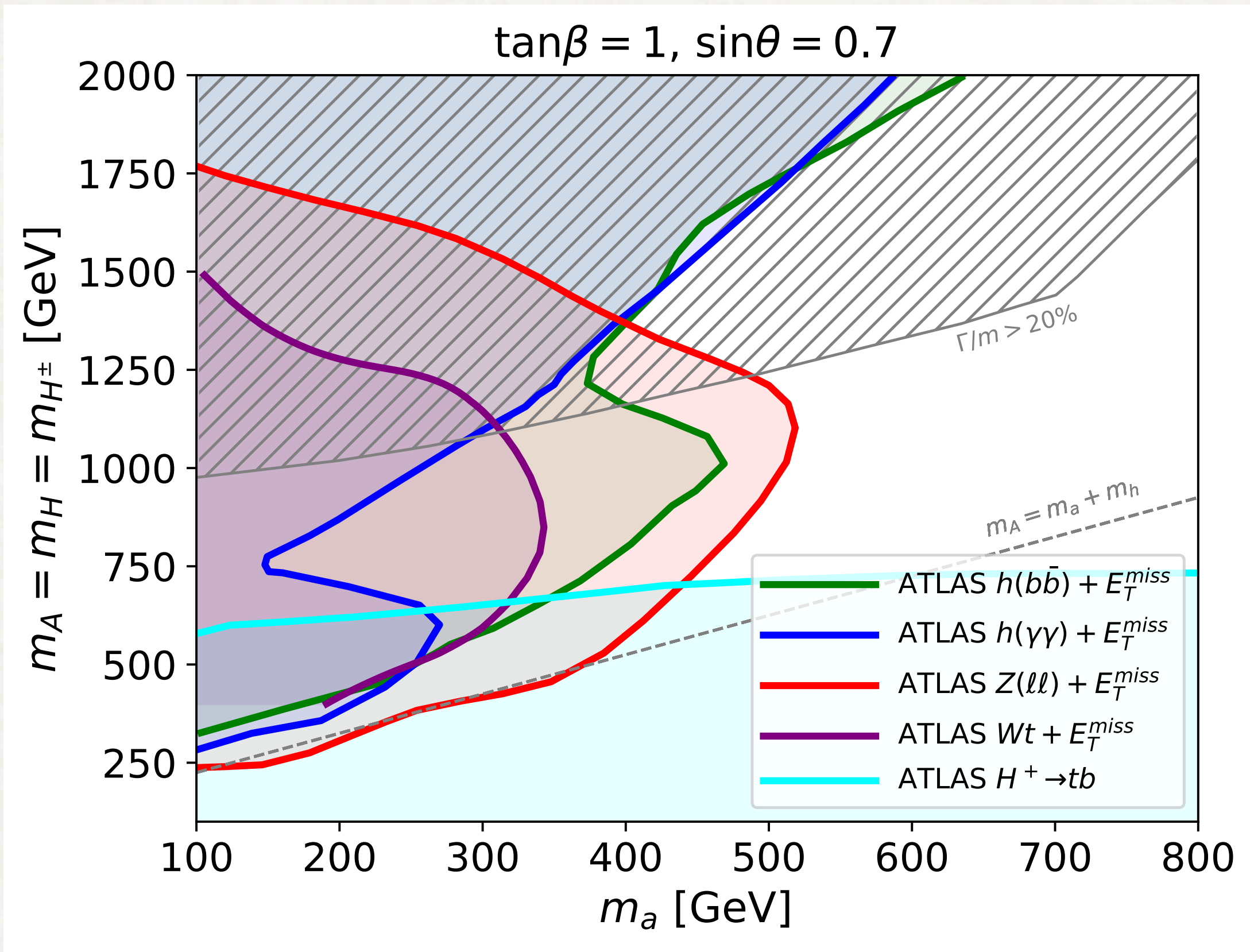
$$c_N = \frac{m_N}{v} \frac{y_\chi \sin(2\theta)}{2} \left(\frac{1}{m_{S_1}^2} - \frac{1}{m_{S_2}^2} \right) \\ \times \left[\cot \beta f_{T_u}^N - \tan \beta \sum_{q=d,s} f_{T_q}^N + \frac{4 \cot \beta - 2 \tan \beta}{27} f_{T_G}^N \right]$$

- Up and down-quark contributions interfere destructively in Type-II
- Numerically close to 0 for $\tan \beta \cong 1$

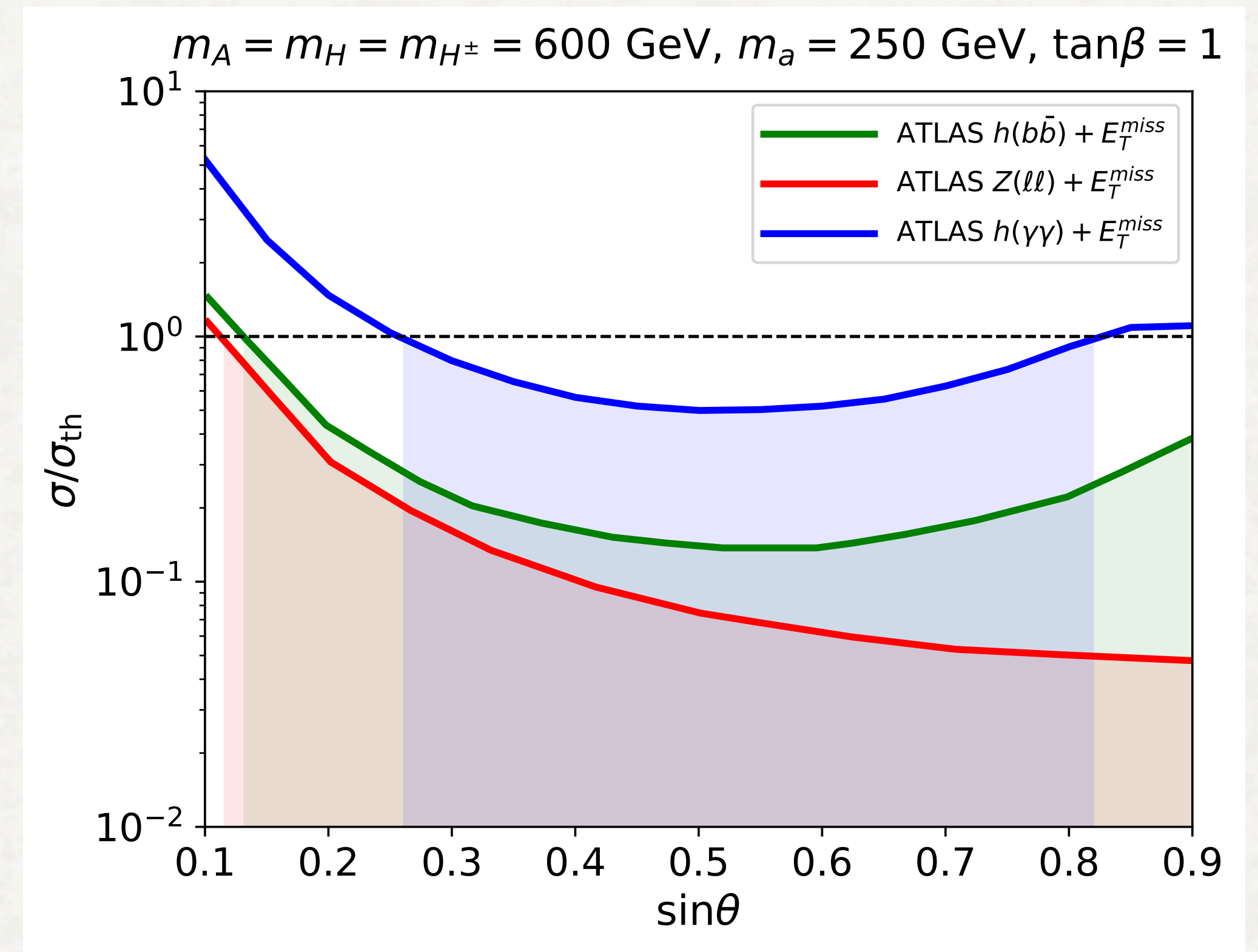
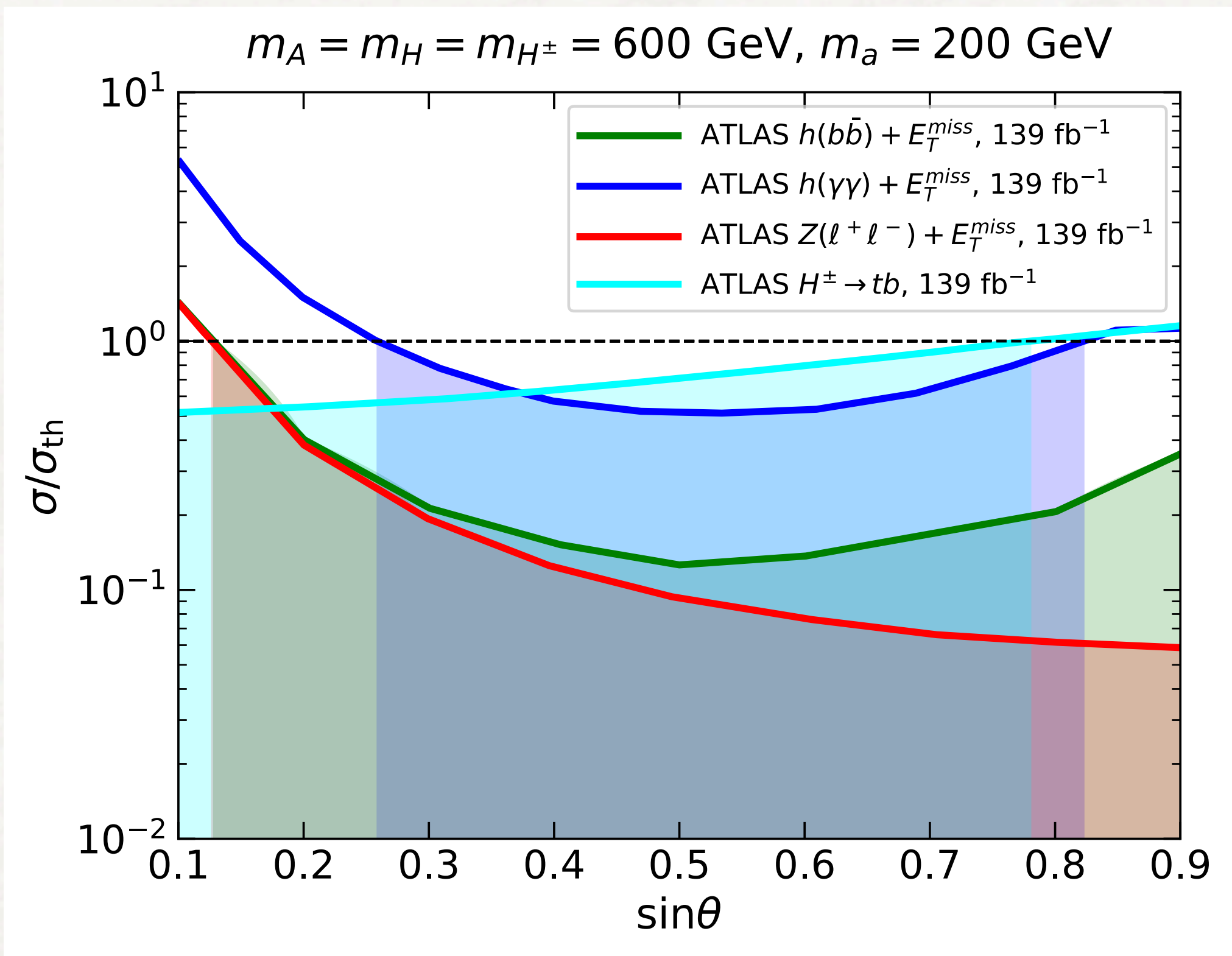
DD scalar vs pseudoscalar



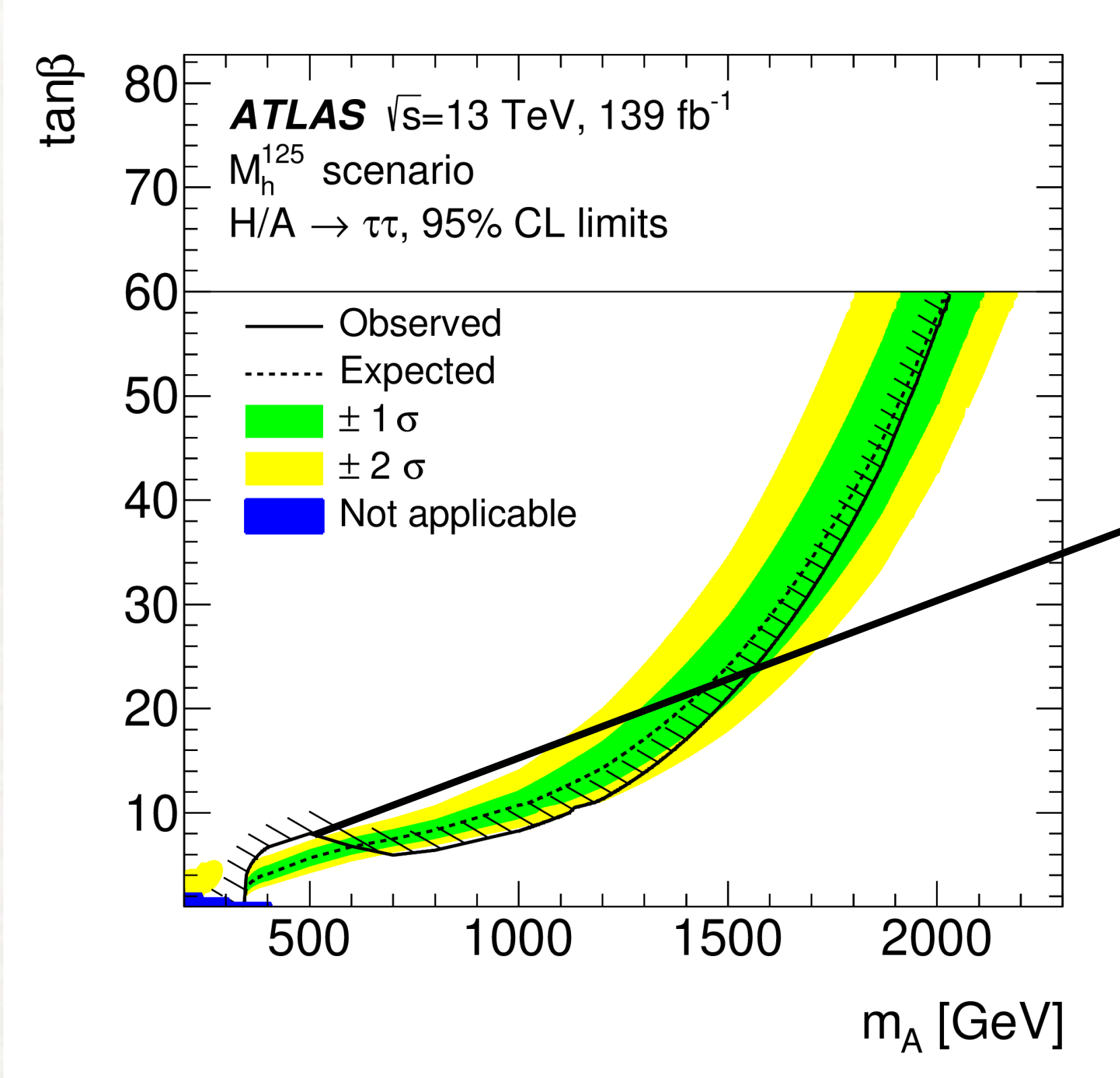
2HDM+a - Large mixing



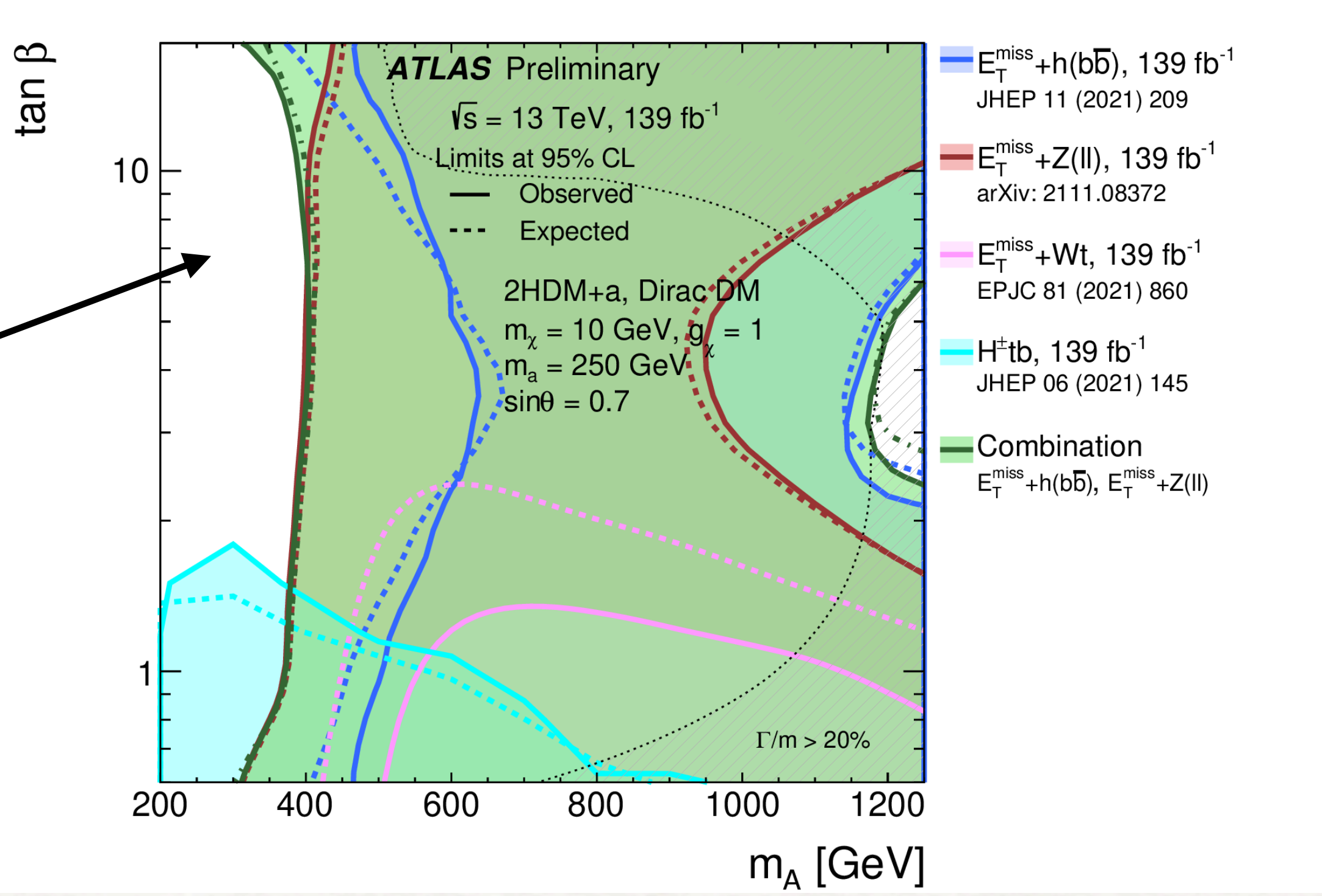
2HDM+a - mixing angle scan



Constraints from taus



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 125 \(2020\) 051801](#)



Higgs width constraints

$$\Gamma(h \rightarrow aa) = \frac{g_{haa}^2 m_h}{32\pi} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_a^2}{m_h^2}} > \Gamma_h^{u.l.} = 1.1 \text{ GeV}$$

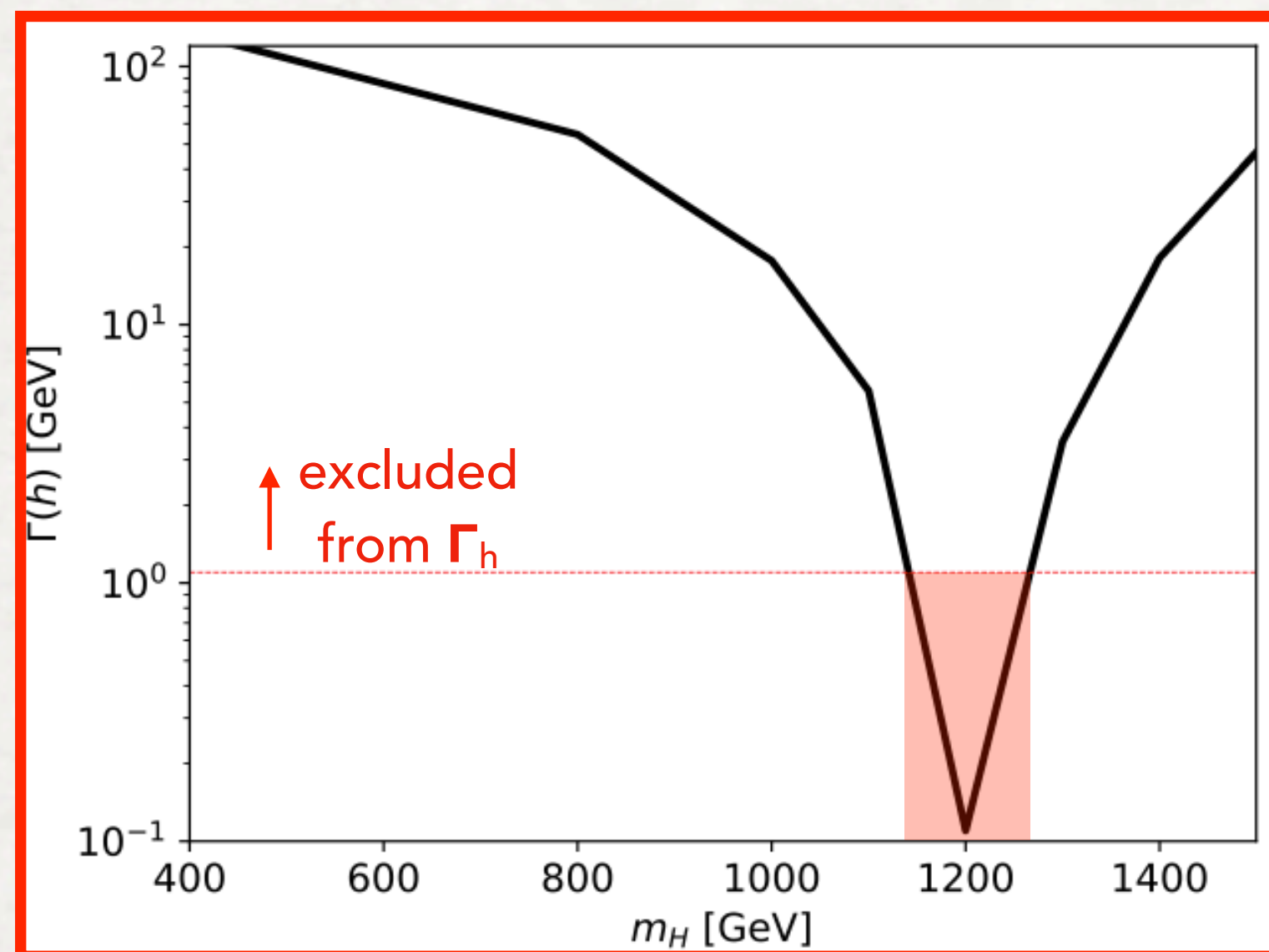
$$g_{haa} = \frac{1}{m_h v} \left[2 \left(m_A^2 - m_a^2 + \frac{m_h^2}{2} - \lambda_3 v^2 \right) \sin^2 \theta - 2(\lambda_{P1} \cos^2 \beta + \lambda_{P2} \sin^2 \beta) v^2 \cos^2 \theta \right]$$

$\cos(\beta - \alpha) = 0$
 $m_A = m_H = m_{H^\pm}$

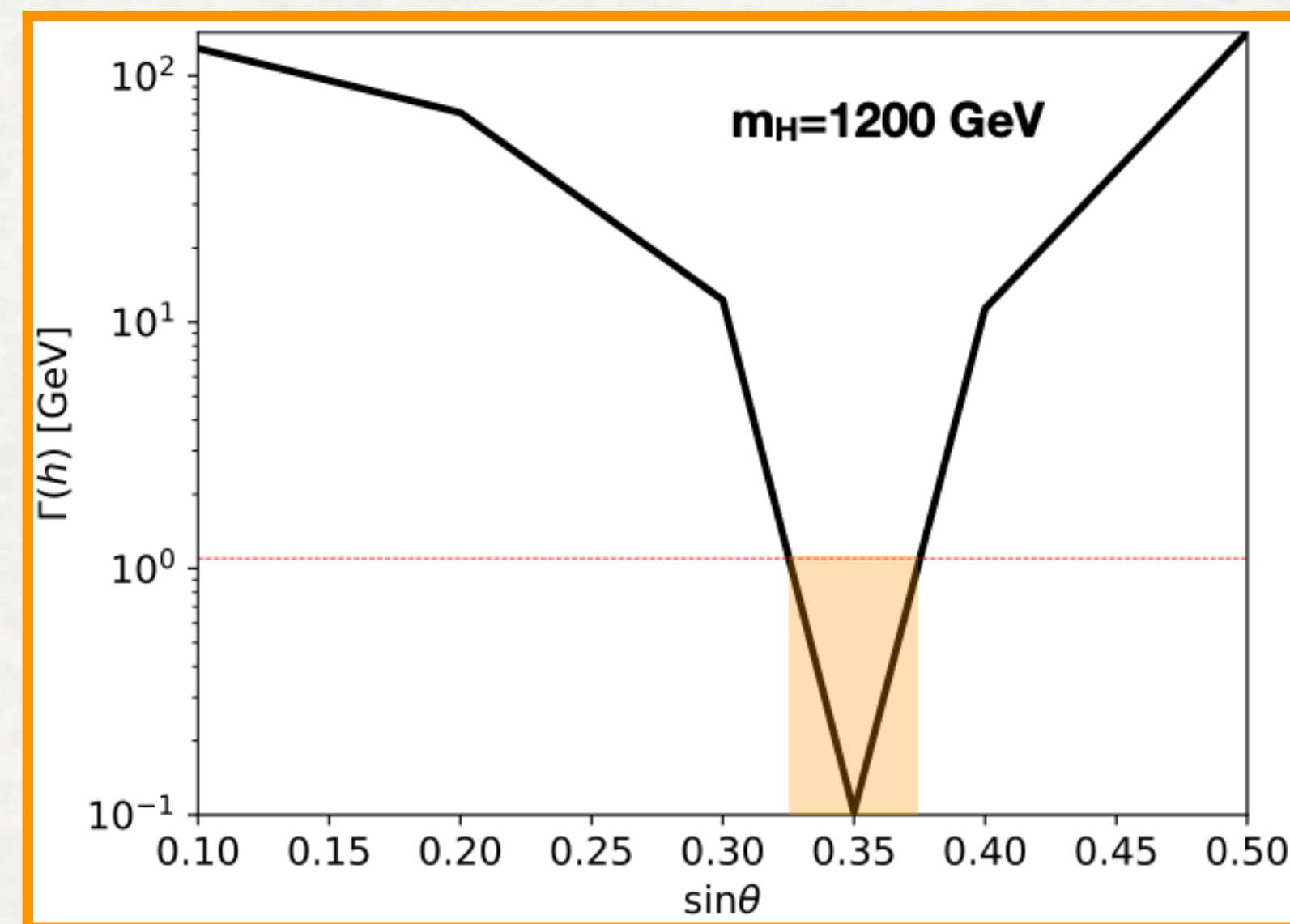
$$= \frac{1}{m_h v} \left[2 \left(m_A^2 - m_a^2 + \frac{m_h^2}{2} \right) \sin^2 \theta - 2\lambda_3 v^2 \right]$$

$\lambda_3 = \lambda_{P1} = \lambda_{P2}$

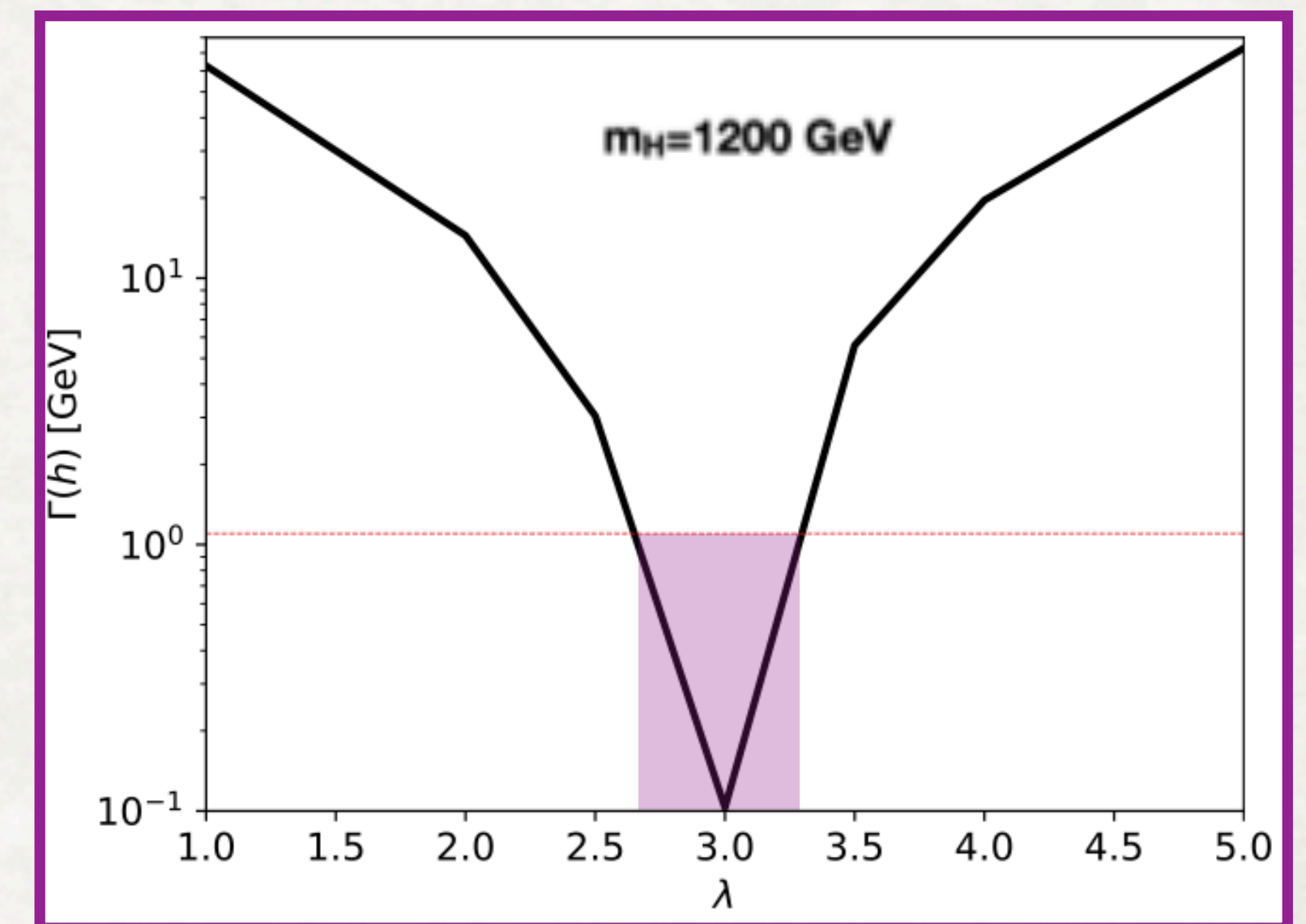
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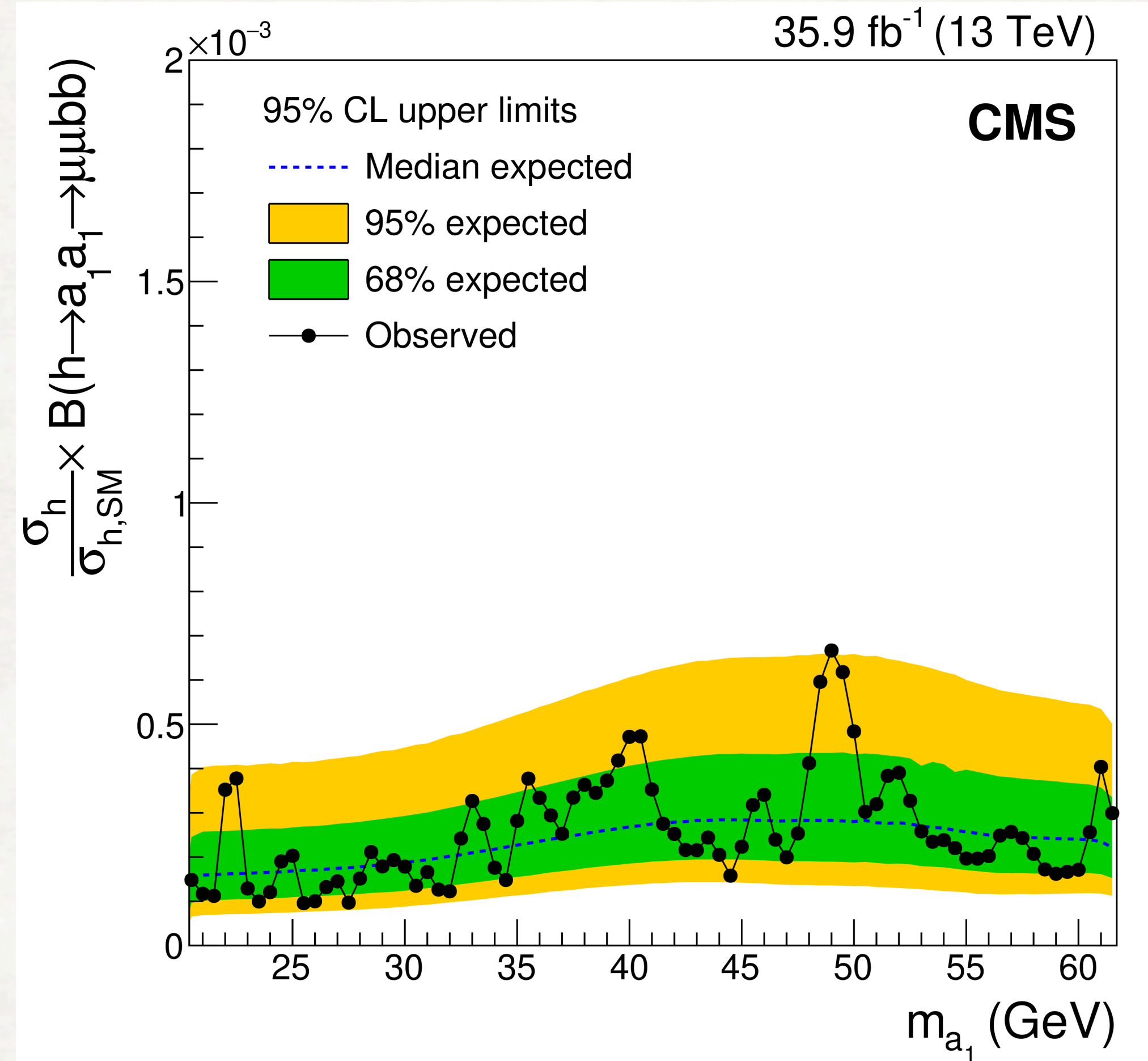
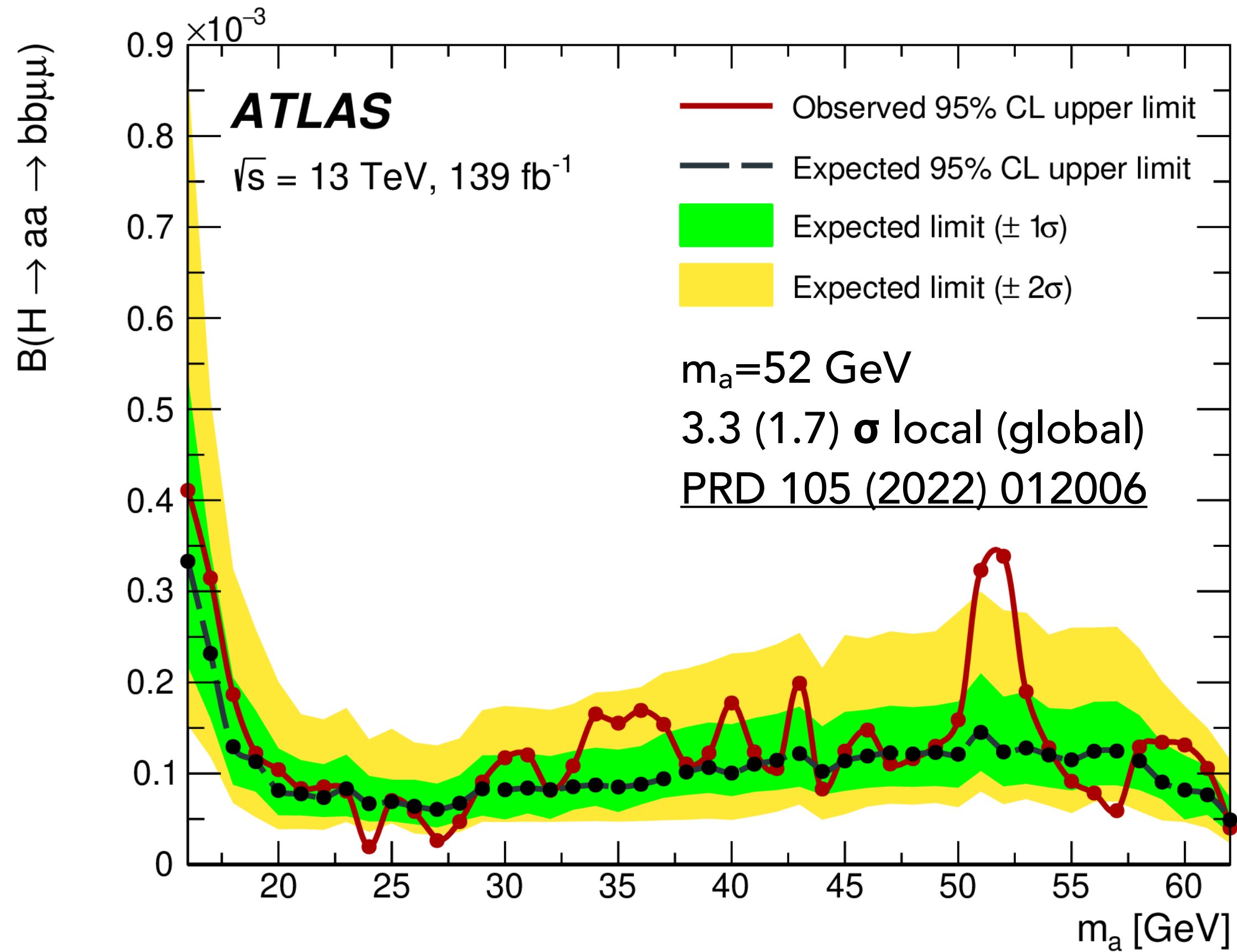
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λ_3



$aa \rightarrow bb\mu\mu$ excess



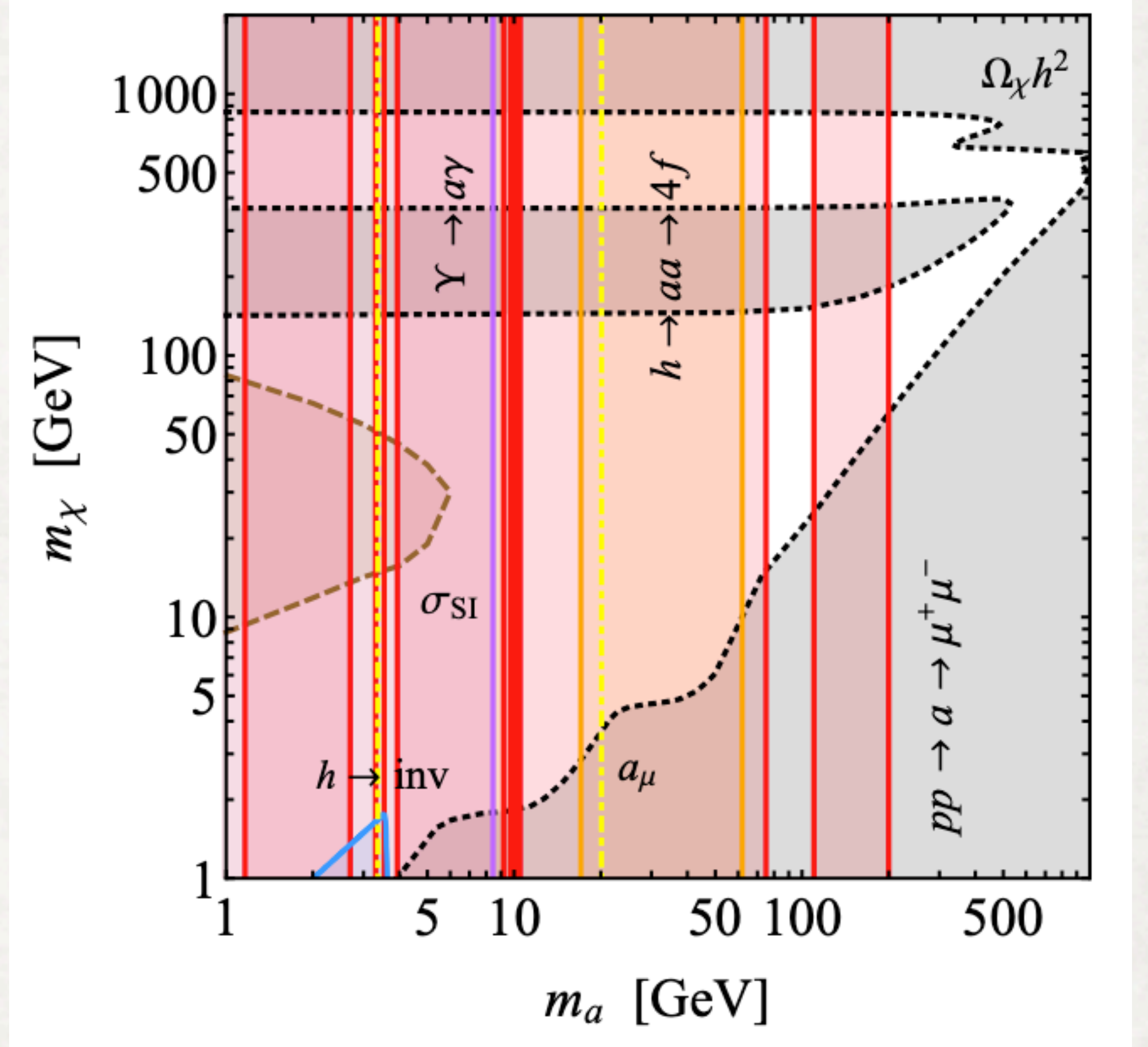
LHC vs $g-2$

- Original idea from Arcadi, Djouadi & Queiroz (2112.11902) to simultaneously explain DM & muon $g-2$
- Can also evade constraints from Γ_h
- Large $\tan\beta$ and small m_a needed to get the correct sign for δa_μ
- HLRS analyses would extend down to very low m_χ because $\Gamma(a \rightarrow \chi\chi) \sim y_\chi^2 \cos^2\theta = 0.005$
- $h \rightarrow \text{inv}$ has small BR and MET spectrum very soft so mono- $h(bb)$ has no sensitivity

However

1. $g-2$ motivated region already ruled out
2. Non-perturbative Haa coupling ($g_{Haa} \sim 40$) leading to $\Gamma_H > m_H$ over the whole m_a - m_χ plane

$$\{m_A, \tan\beta, \sin\theta, \lambda_3, y_\chi\} = \{1.0 \text{ TeV}, 40, 0.7, 8, 0.1\}$$



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2HDM+Z': coupling scan

