

Dark Ideas* from Strongly Coupled Theories

*Sectors

Based on works in collaboration with Marco Costa, Rashmish K. Mishra, Salvatore Bottaro, Roberto Contino

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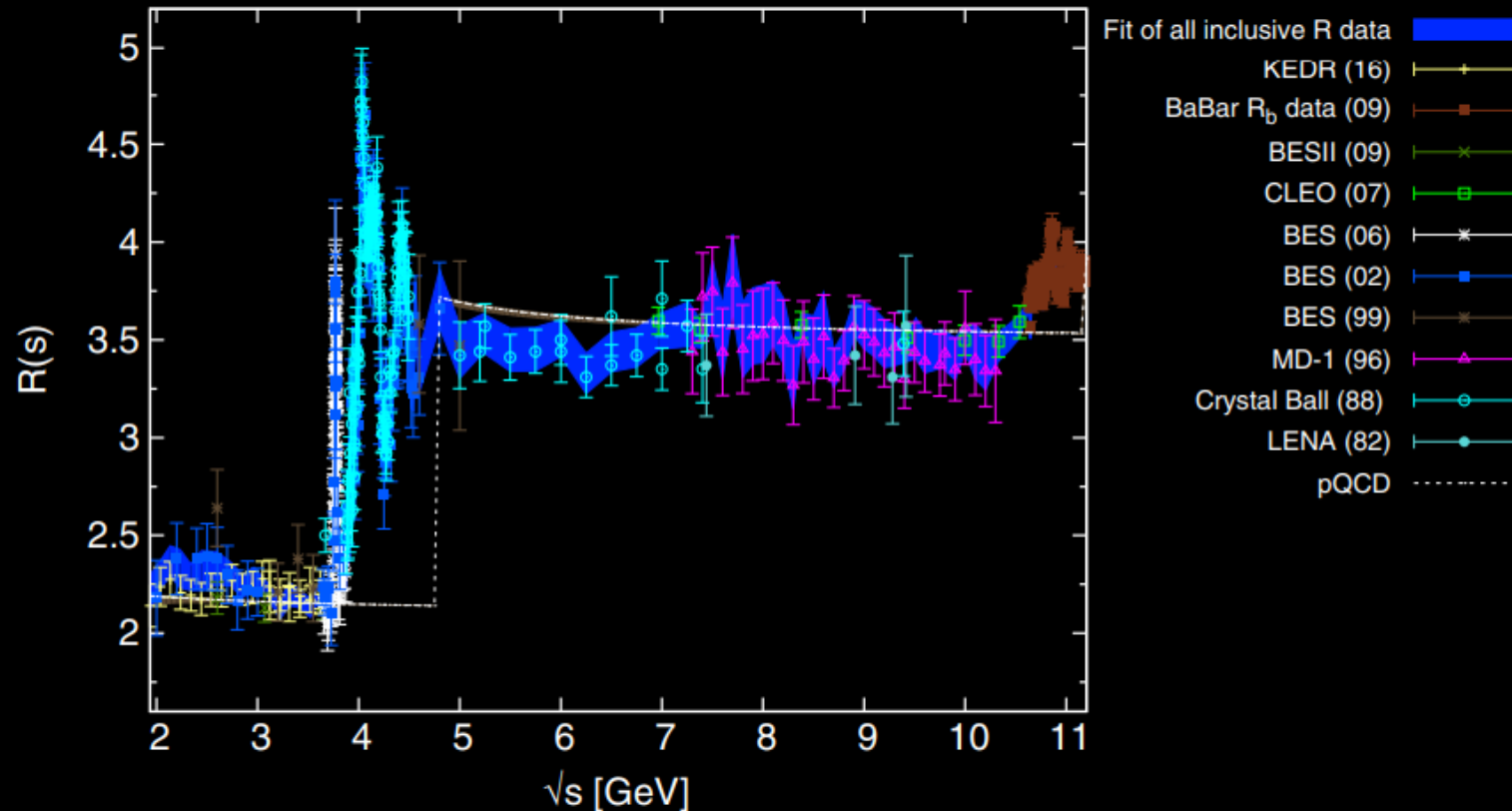
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Based on Costa, Mishra, *SV Phys. Rev. D* 108 (2023) 3, 035041

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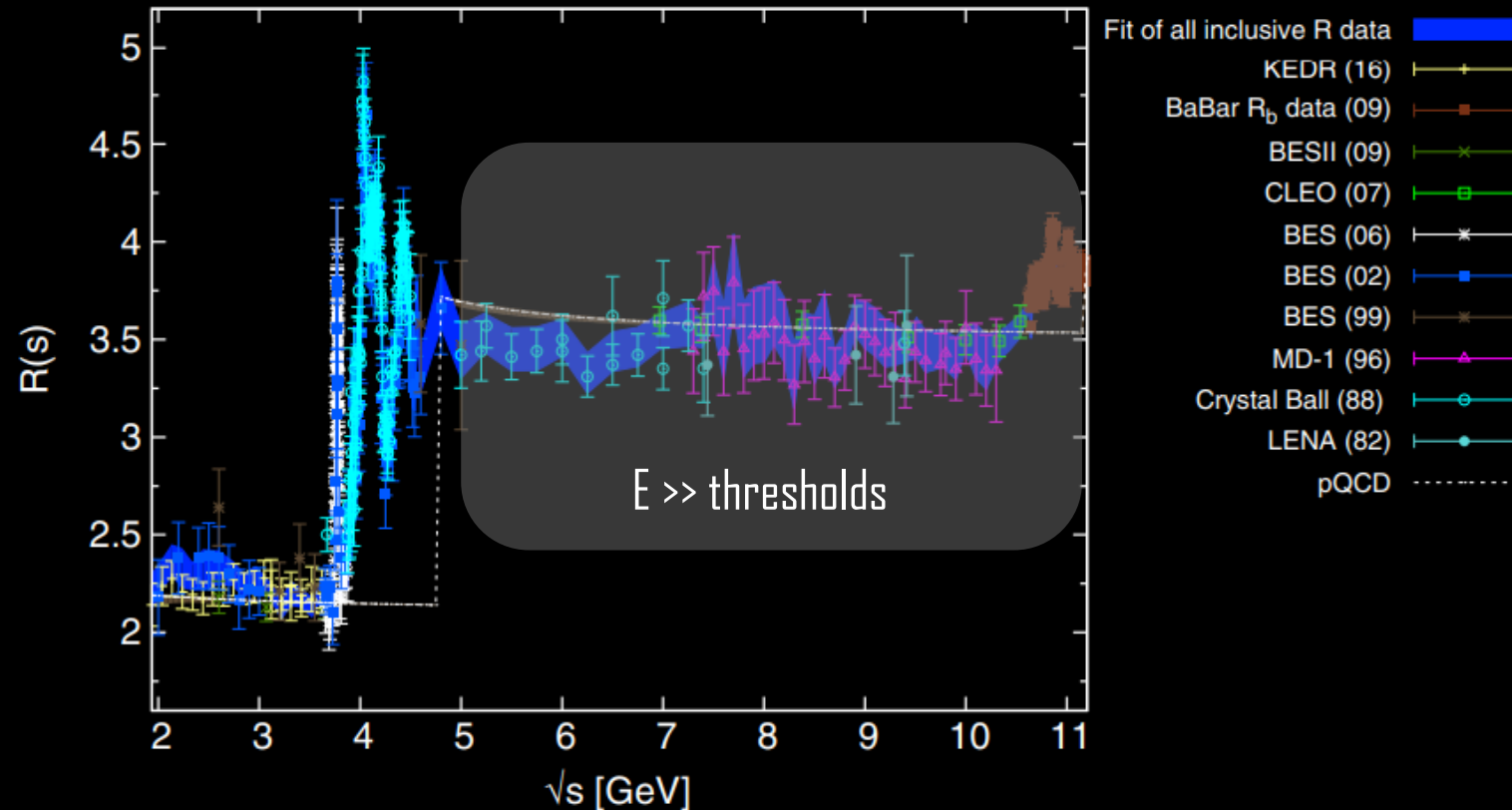
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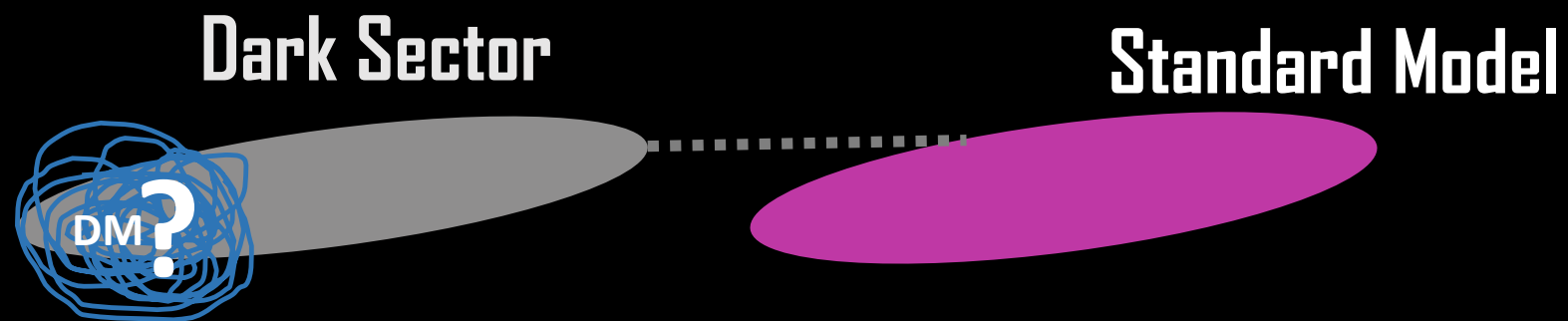


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$$R(s) \equiv \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} = 3 \sum_f Q_f^2$$

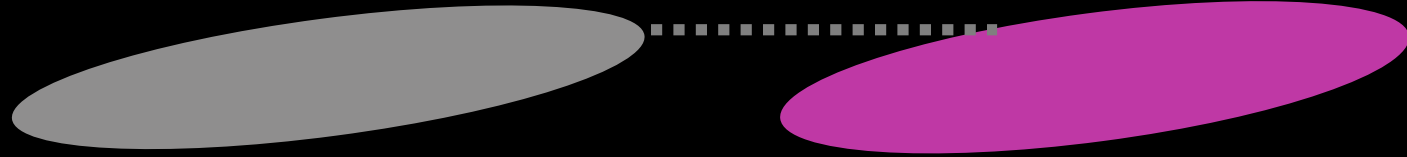
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Standard Model



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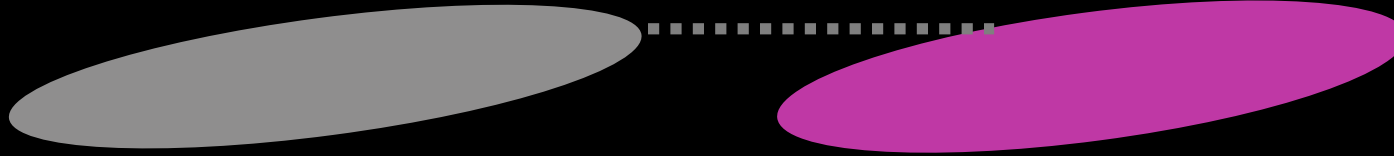
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$$\text{dim} = [\mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}}] + [\mathcal{O}_{\text{DS}}] > 4$$

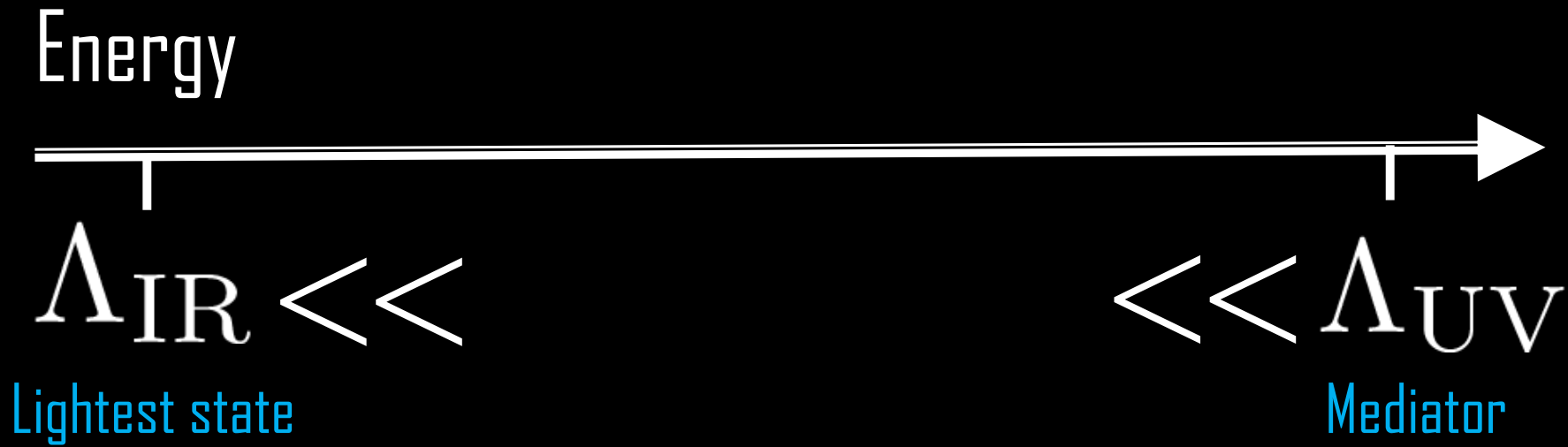
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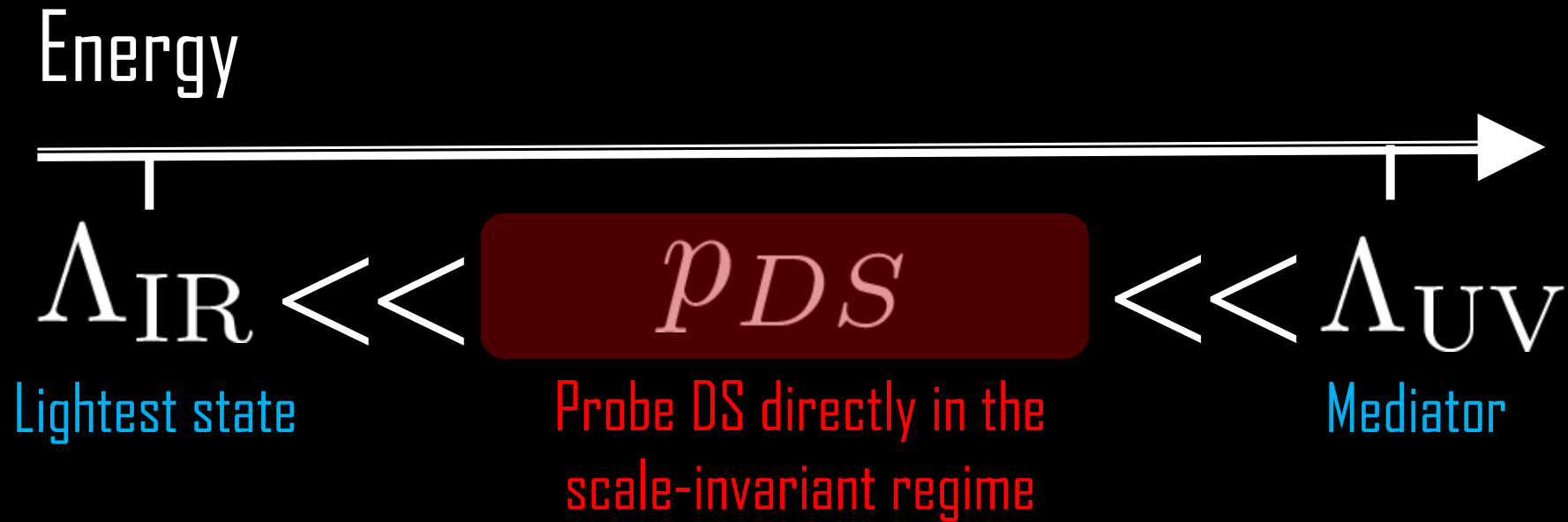
See also:

[Contino, Max, Mishra '20],

[Darme, Ellis, You '20],

[Cheng, Li, Salvioni '21]...





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Approximate inclusive DS production cross section in a model agnostic way when well above threshold!

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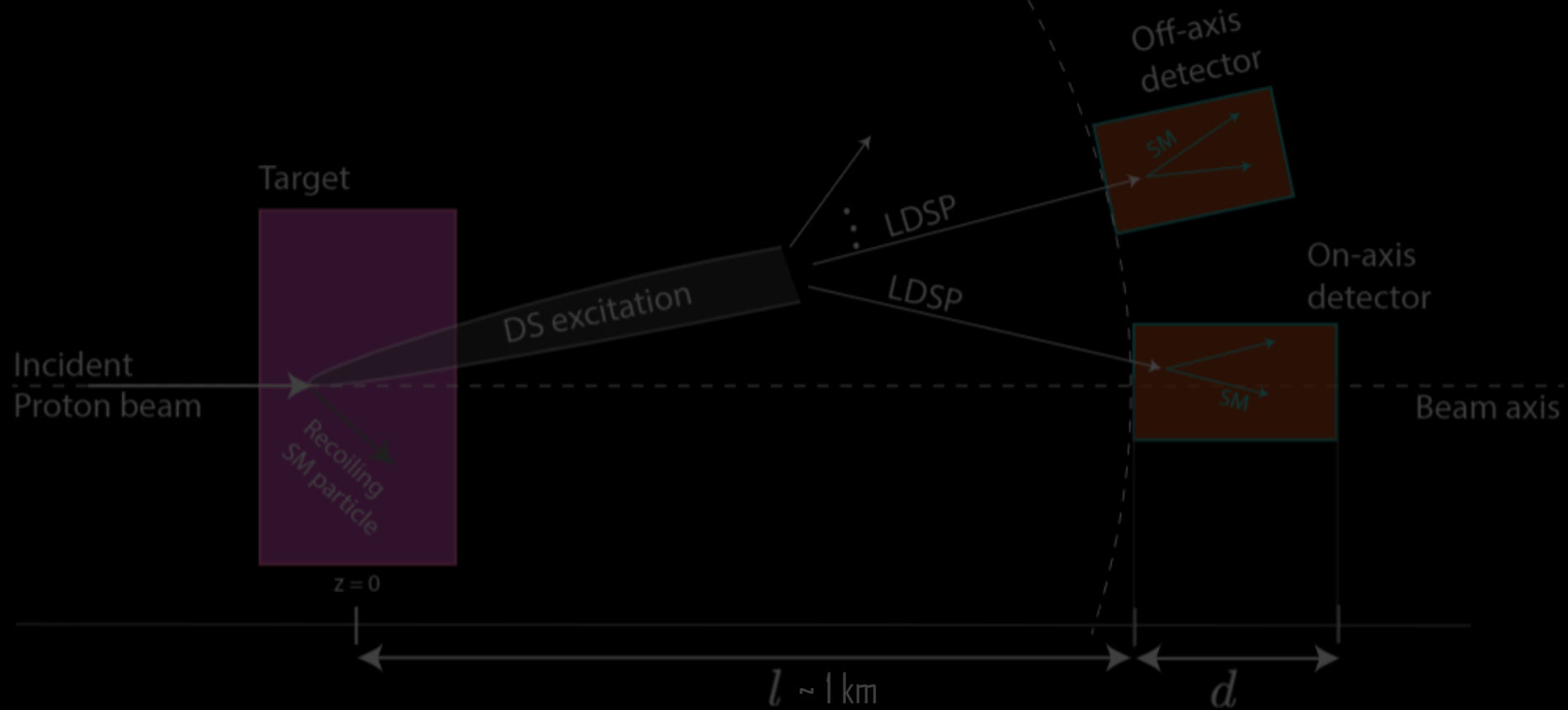
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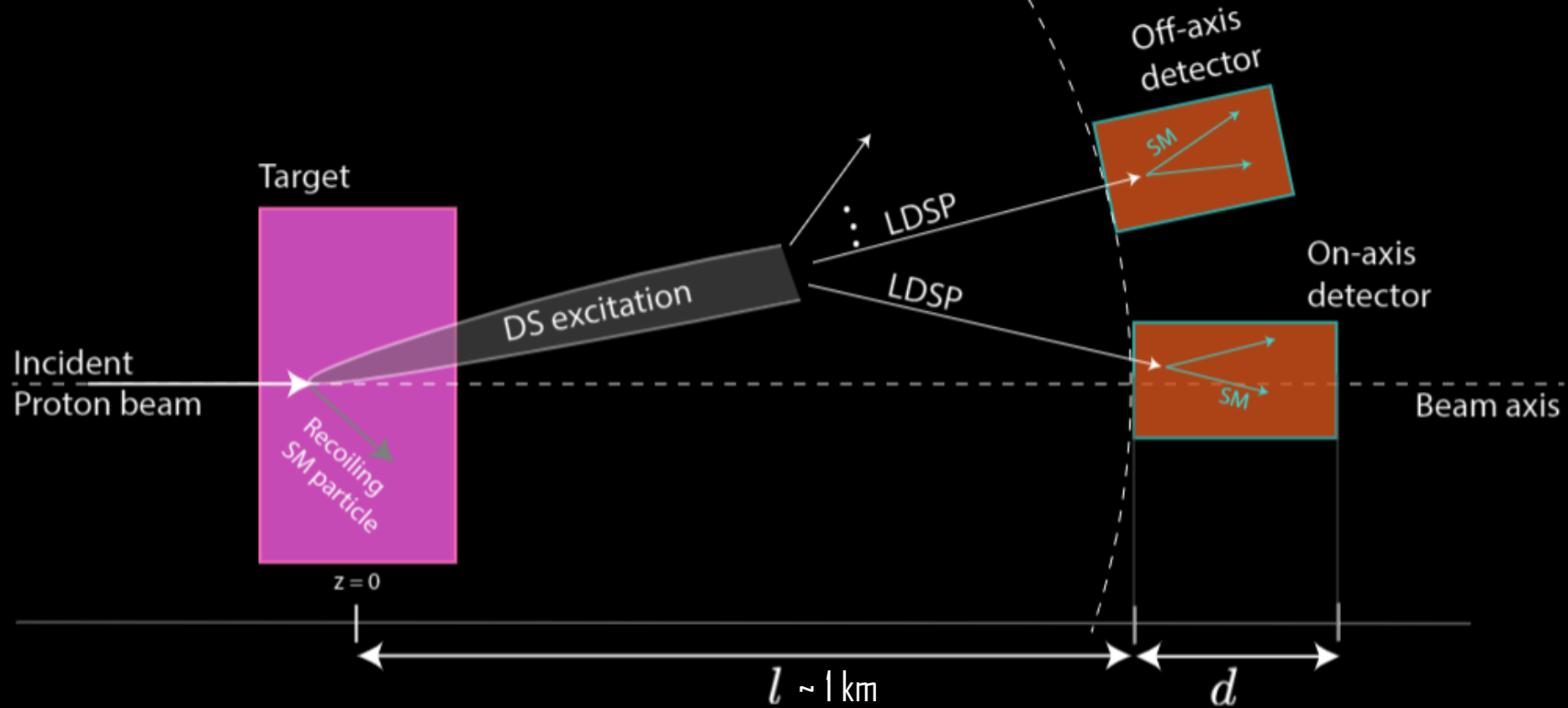
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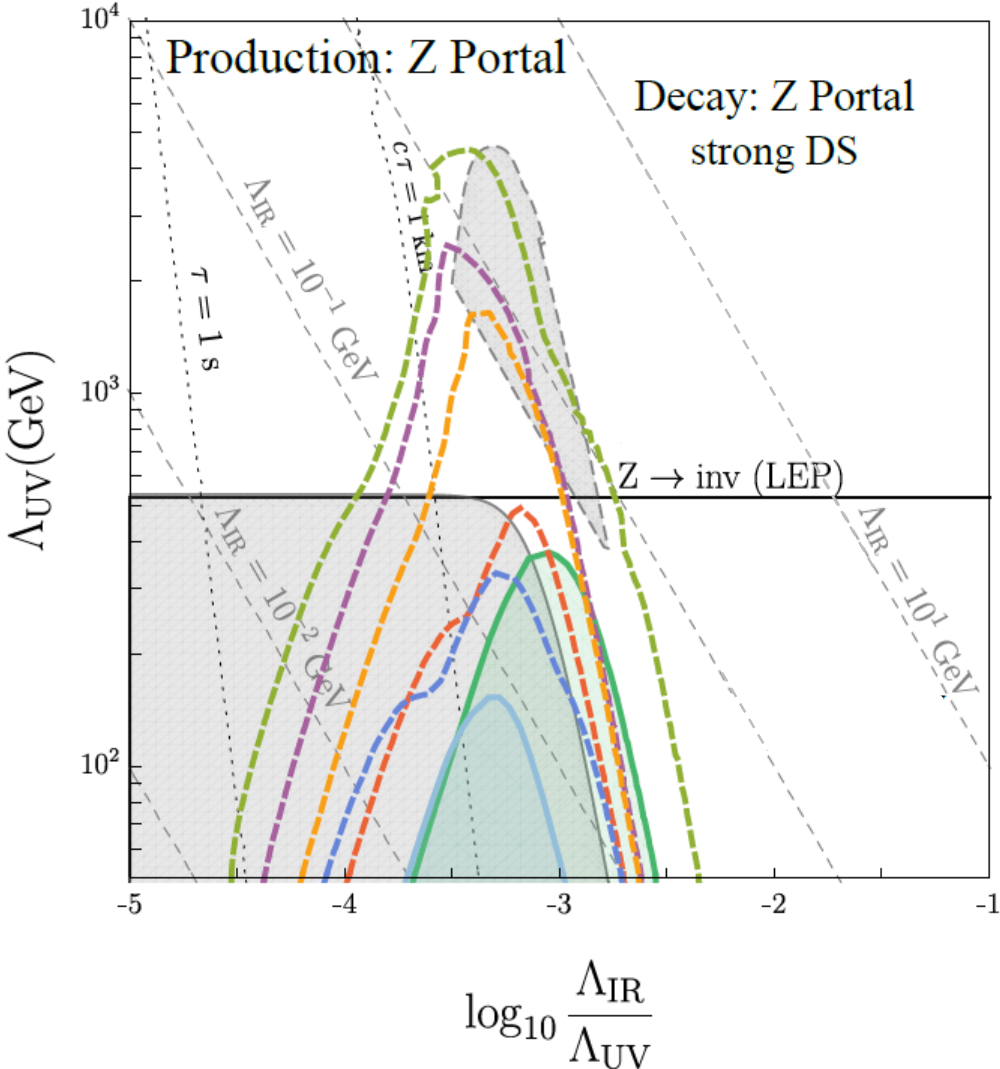
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Constraints?

- LHC
- CHARM
- MicroBoone-KDAR
- ICARUS-NUMI
- NovA-ND
- DUNE-MPD [10]
- DUNE-MPD [100]
- SHiP



Portal: $H^\dagger i D_\mu H J_{DS}^\mu$

$\nu m_z Z_\mu J_{DS}^\mu$

Lesson II from QCD

Based on Bottaro, Contino, SV [To Appear]

Creation of hierarchies

RG equation

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2 flavours, at 1-loop

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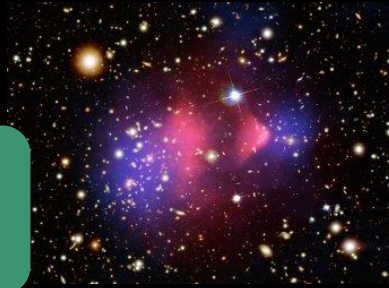
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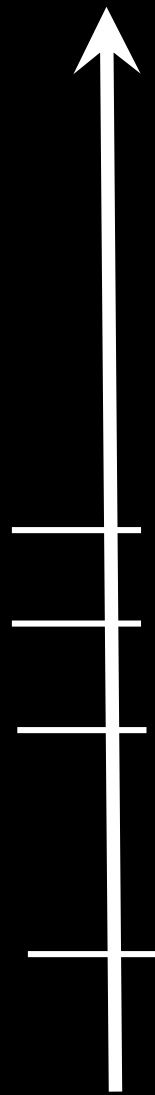
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[Antipin, Redi, Strumia, Vigiani 2015], [Mitridate, Redi, Smirnov, Strumia 2017], [Contino, Mitridate, Podo, Redi 2019], [Kribs, Neil (review) 2015]...

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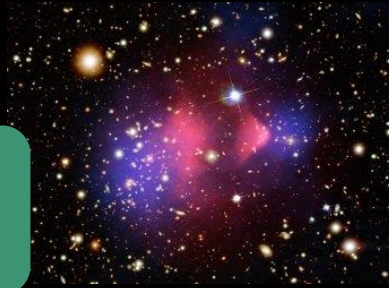
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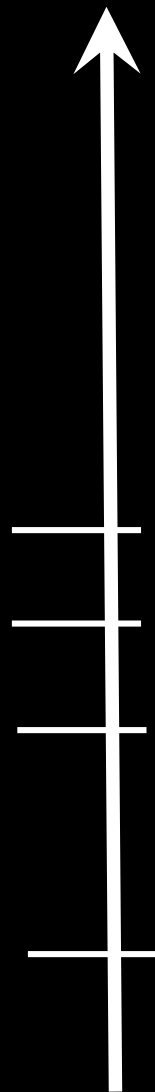
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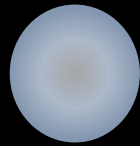
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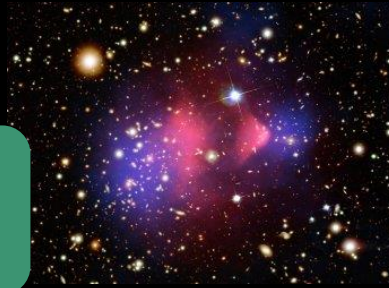
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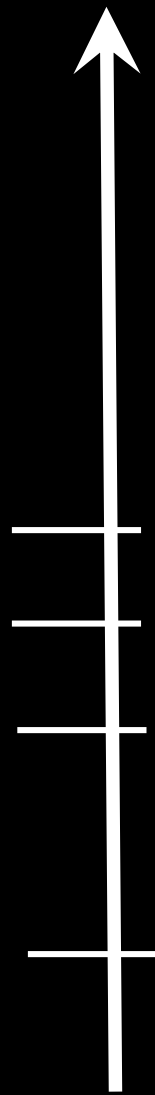
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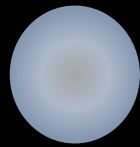
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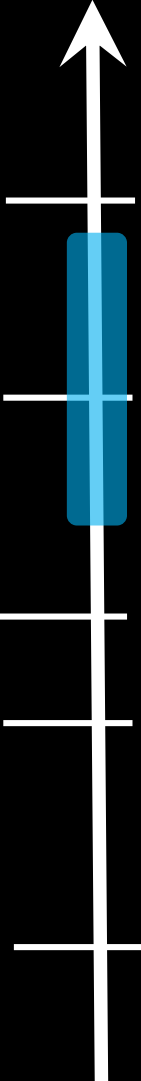
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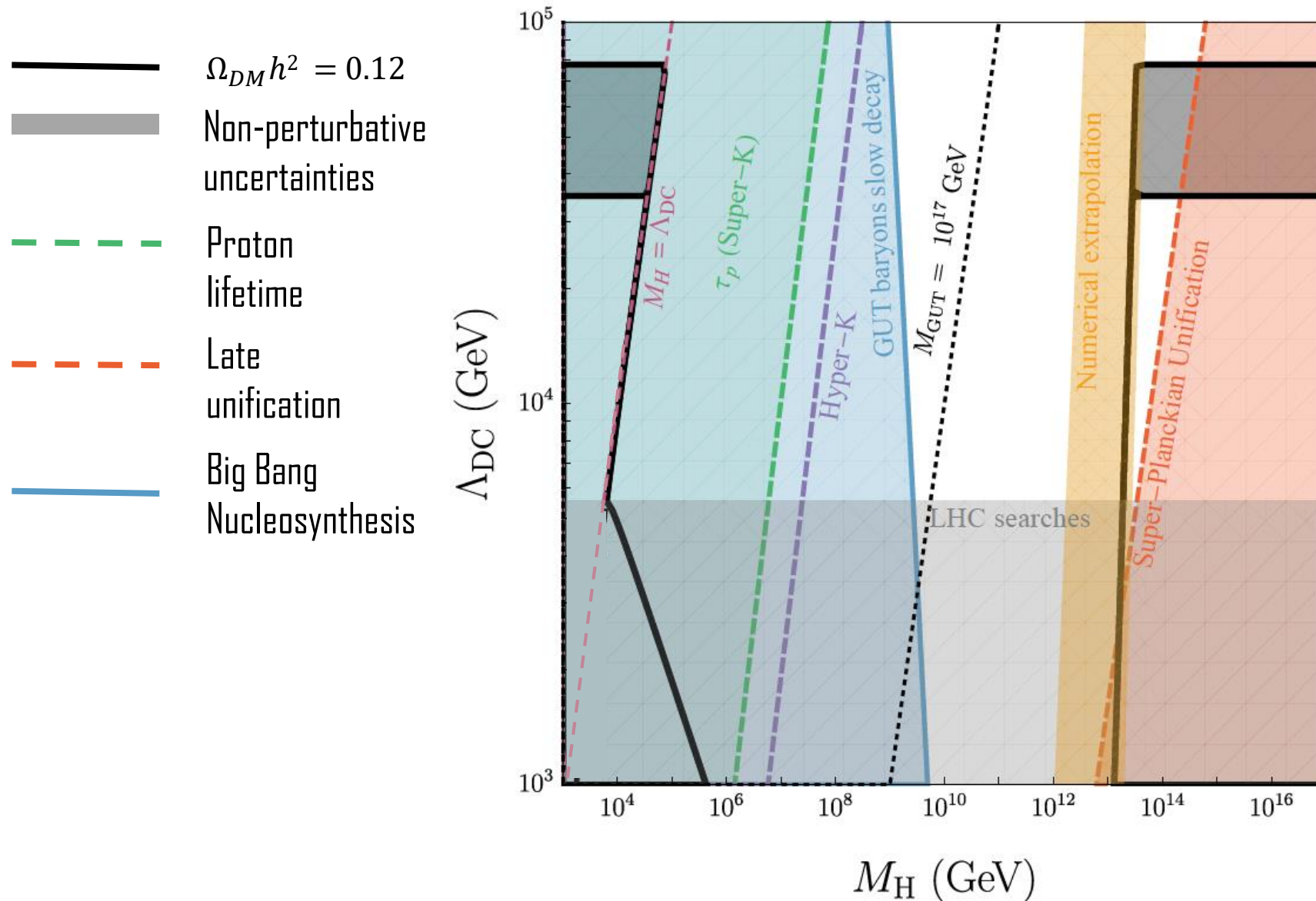
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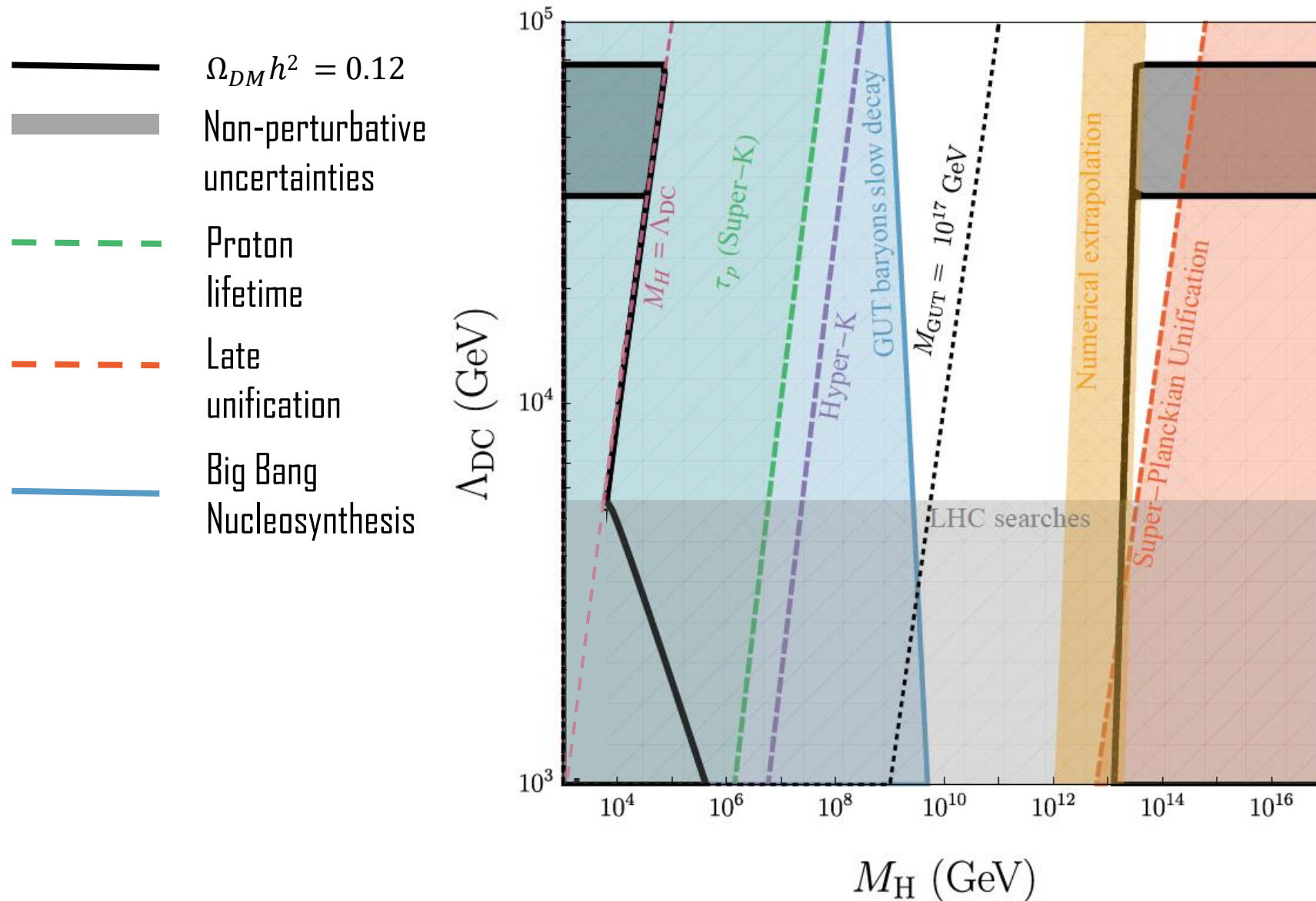
Can we build a realistic theory consistent with composite DM and unification?

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- Way ahead: Can we use non-gaussianities to probe the $SU(5)$ dark GUT model?



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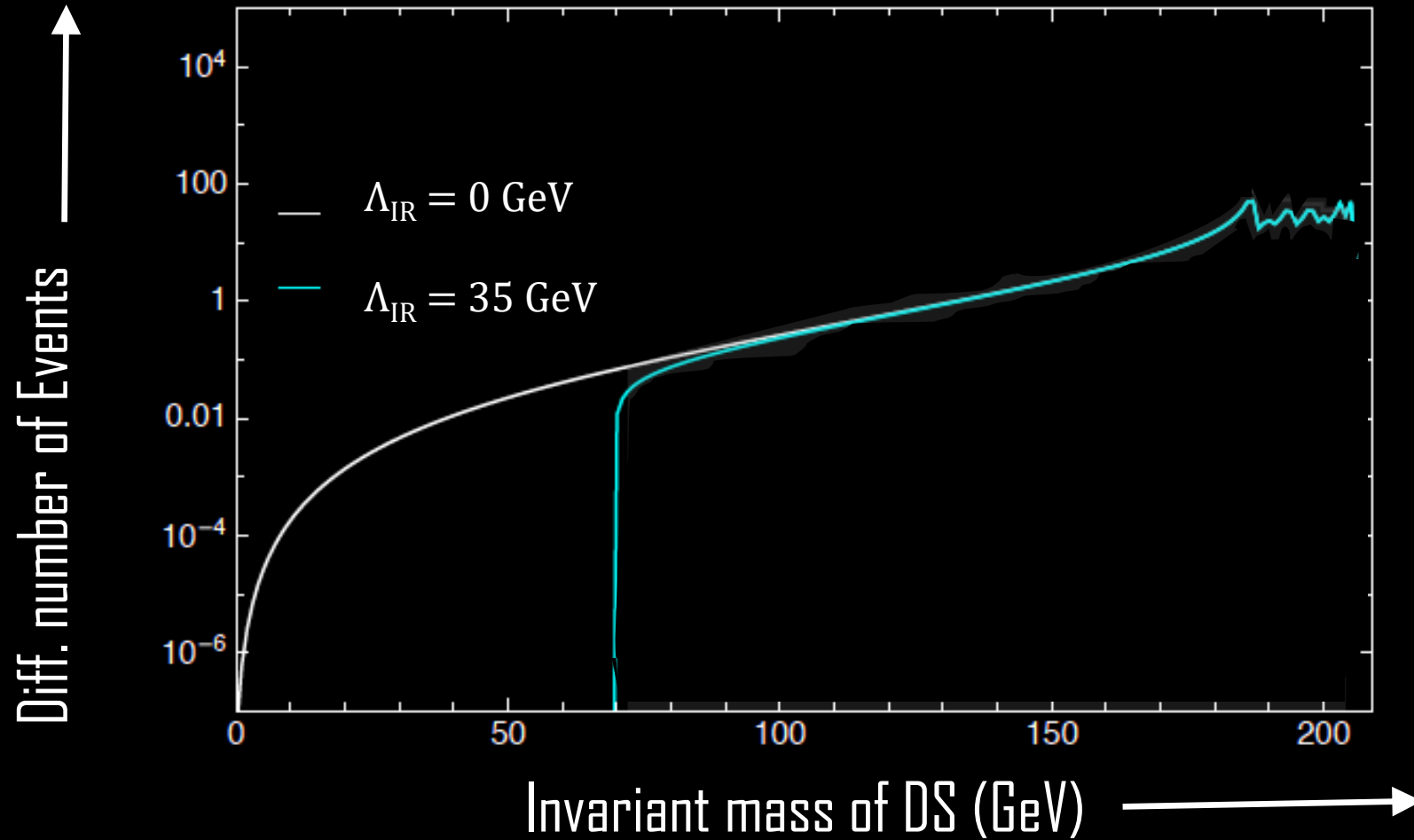
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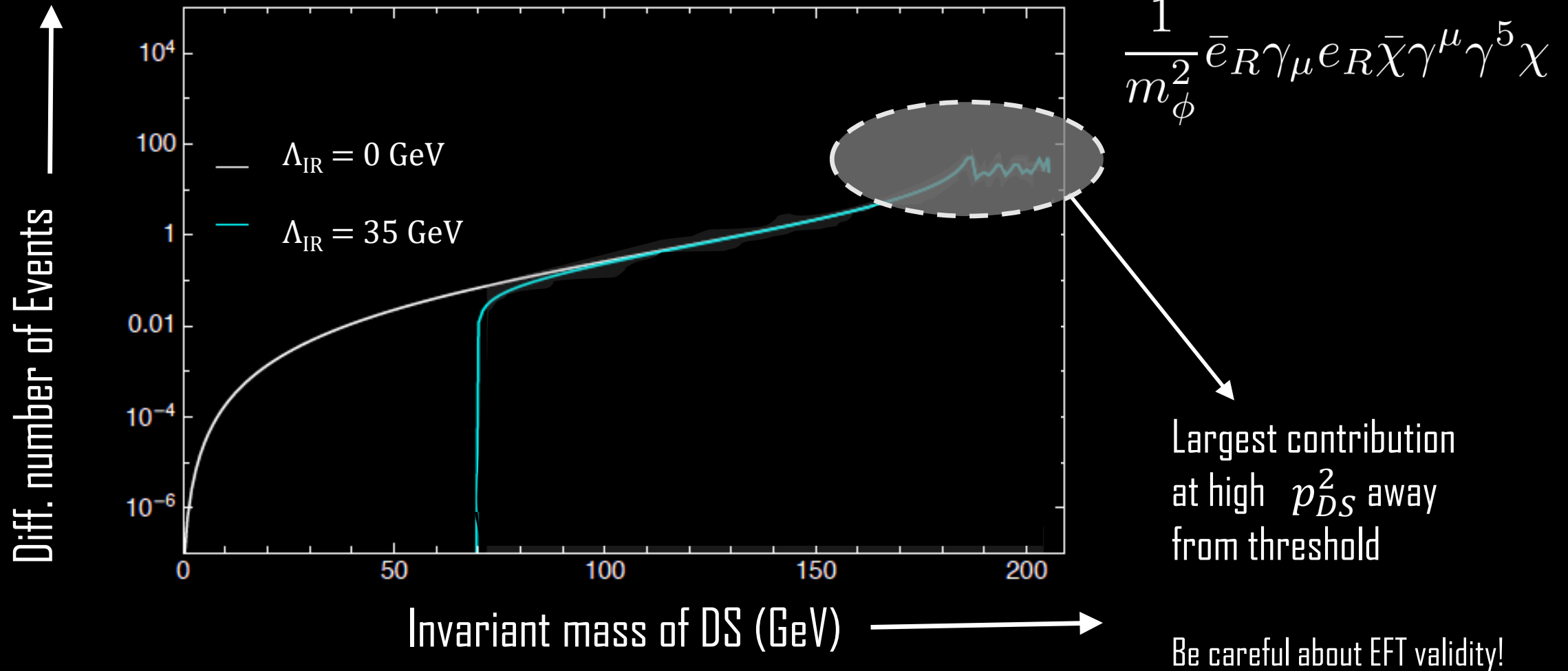
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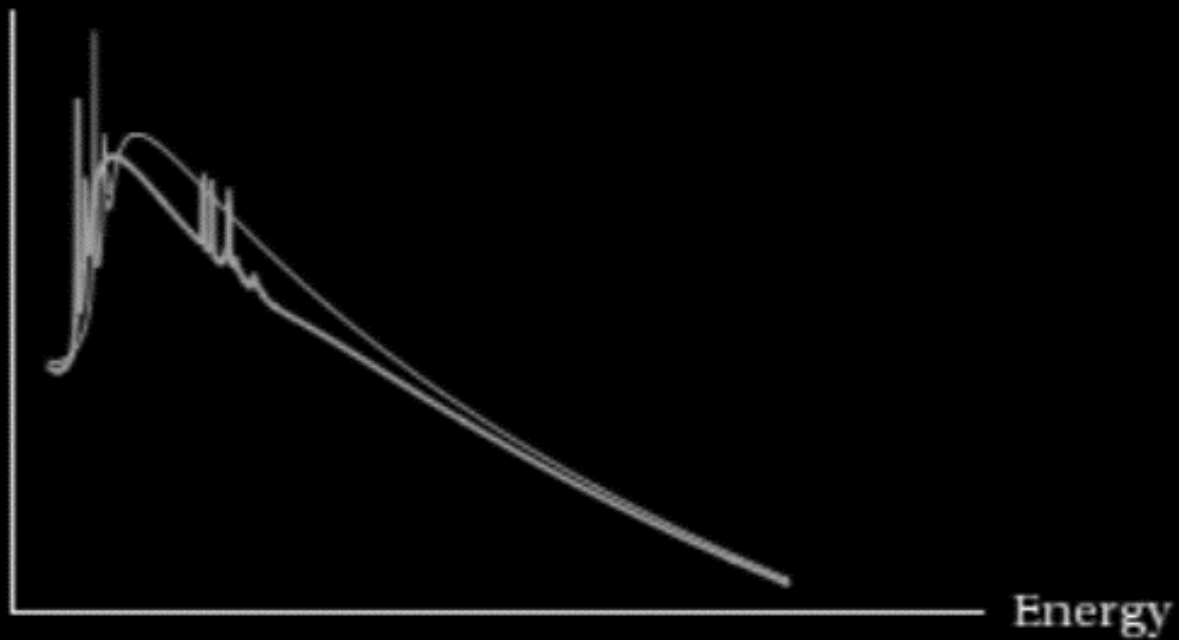
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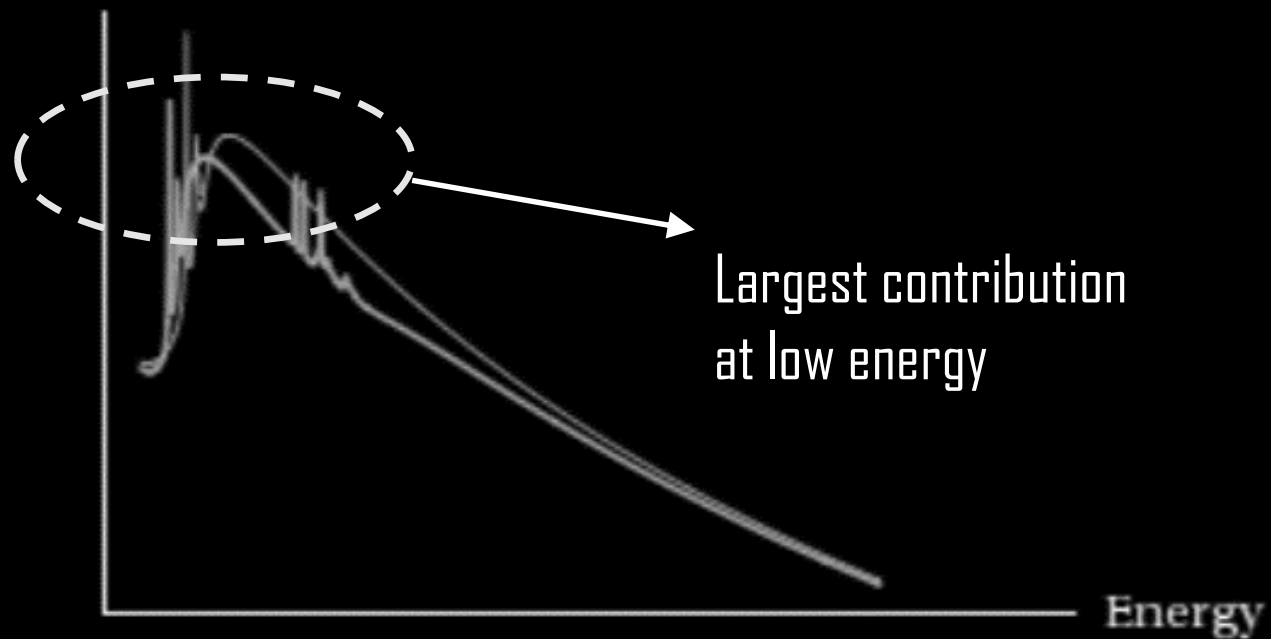
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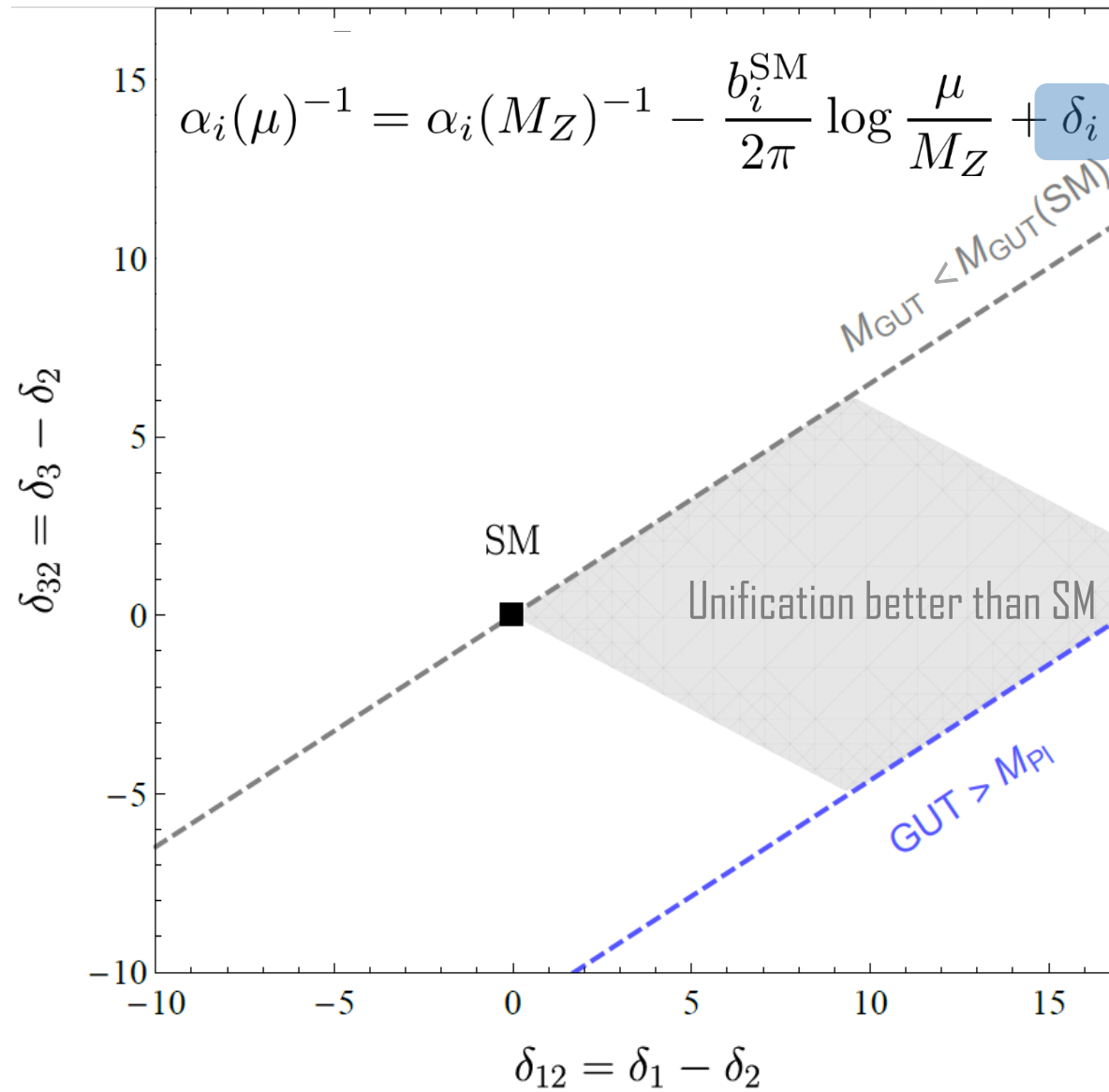
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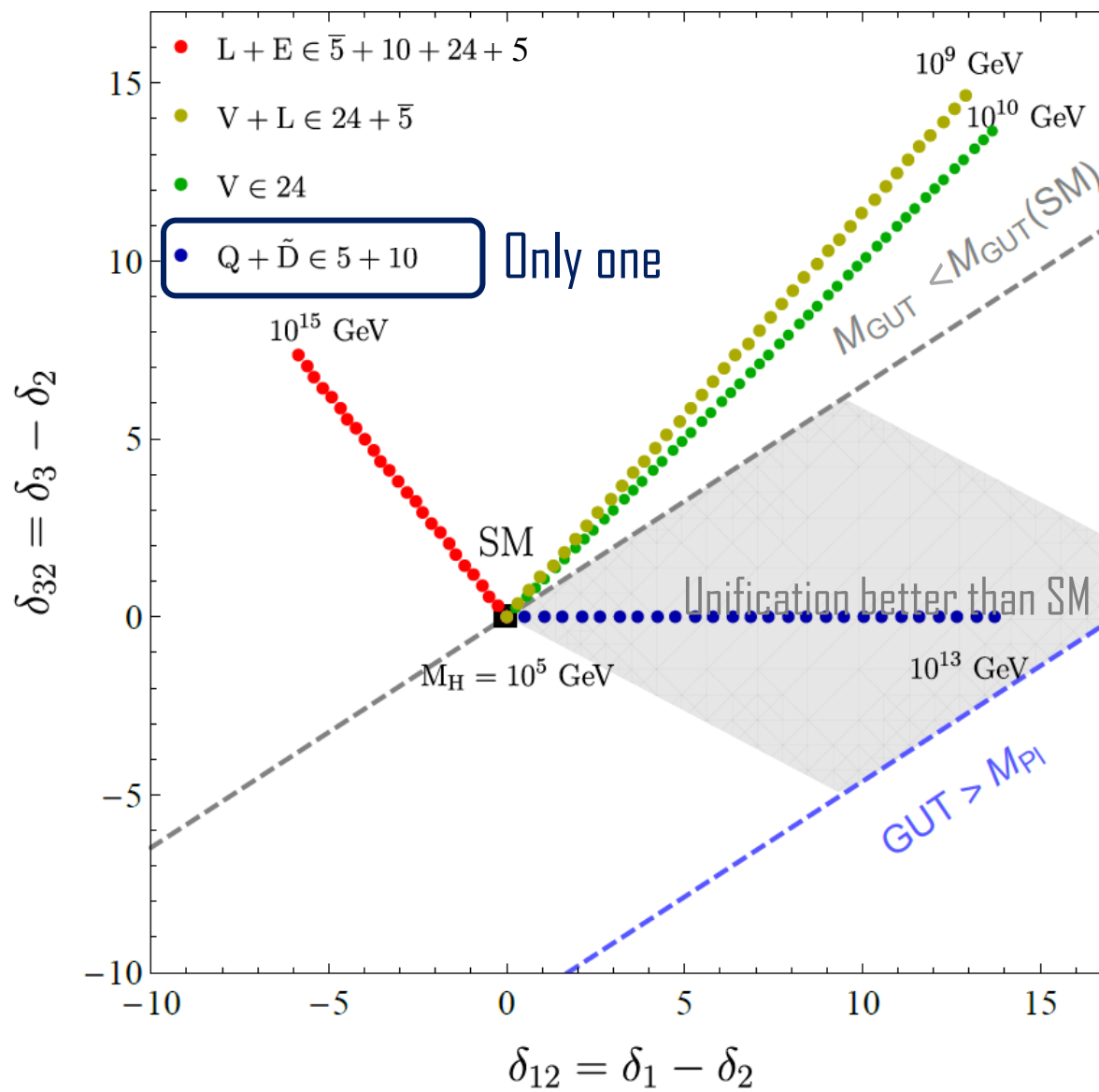
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NP running
contribution to
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$SU(3)_{DC}$



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$$E = (1, 1)_1$$

$$V = (1, 3)_0$$

$$Q = (3, 2)_{1/6}$$

$$\tilde{D} = (\bar{3}, 1)_{1/3}$$

