

Ripples in Spacetime from broken SUSY

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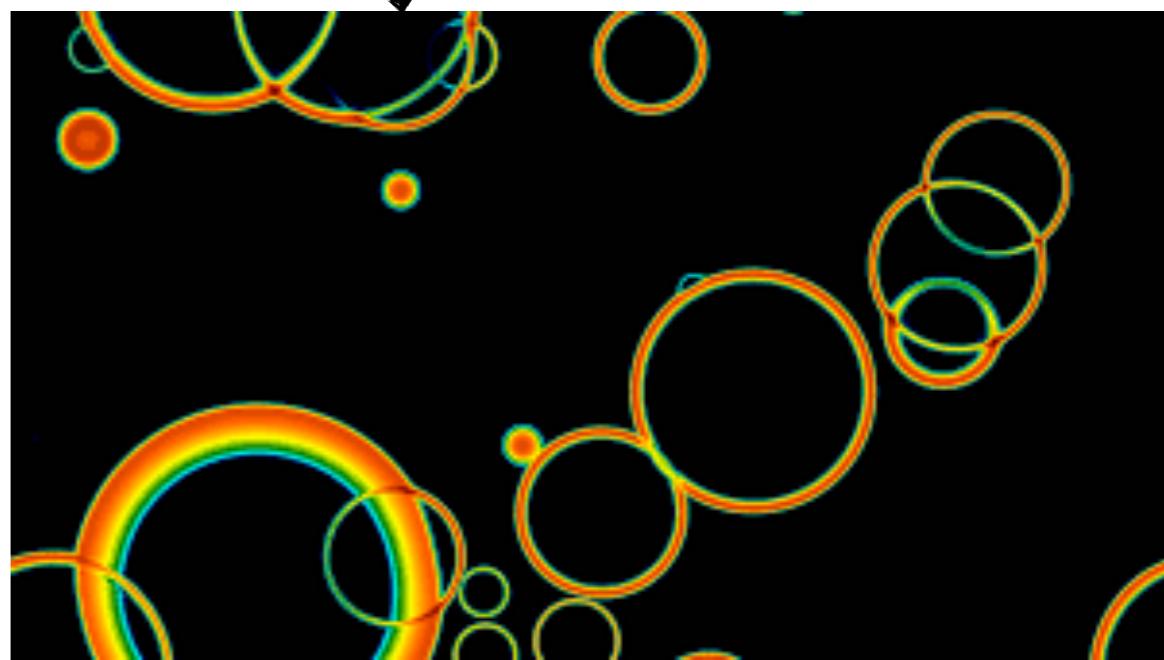


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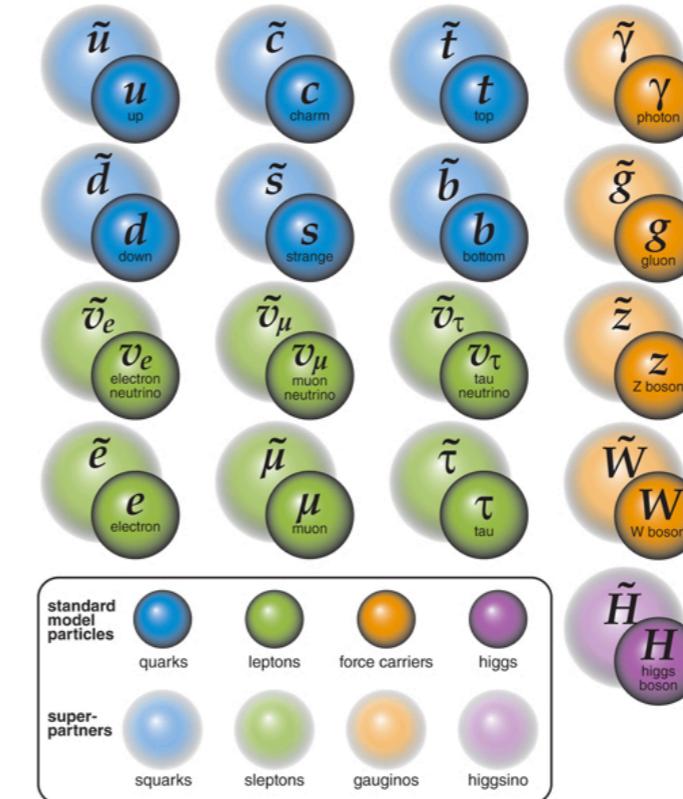
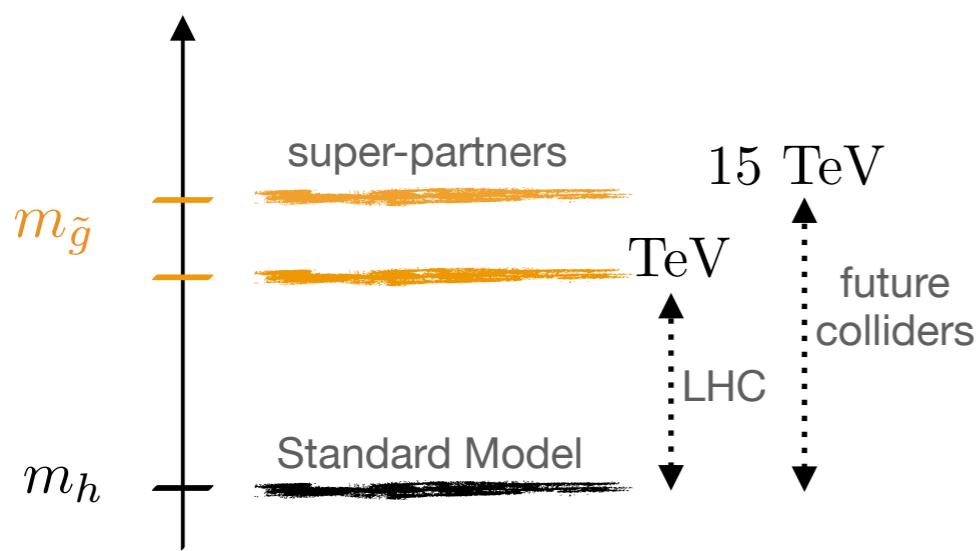
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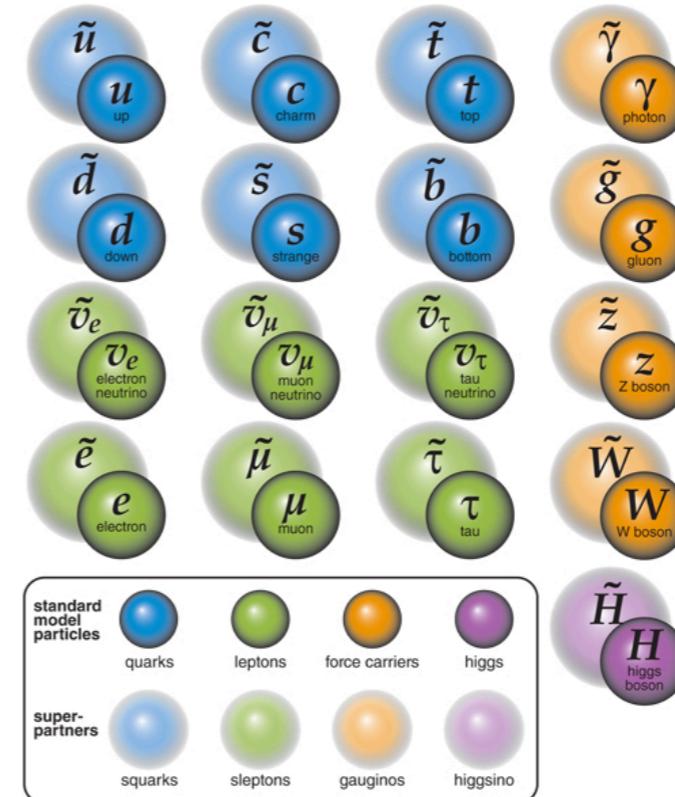
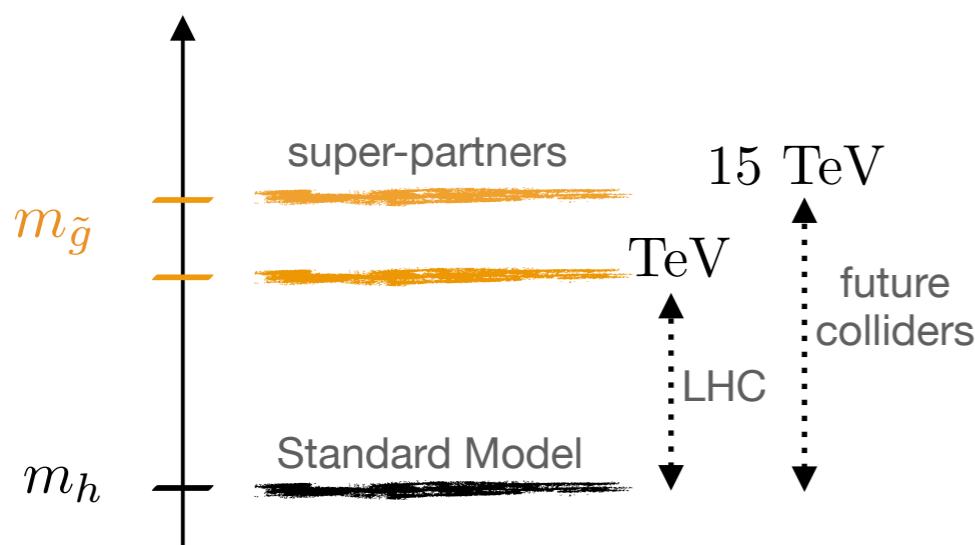


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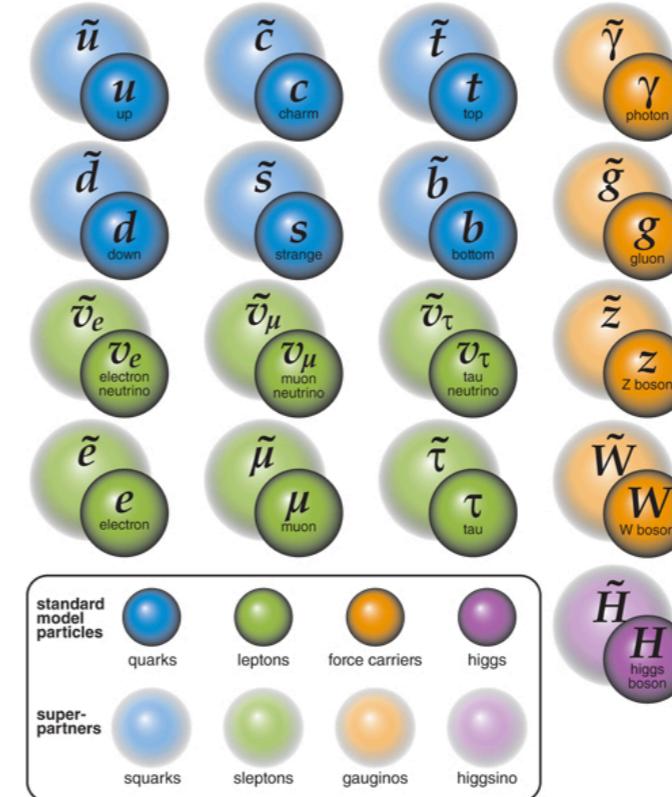
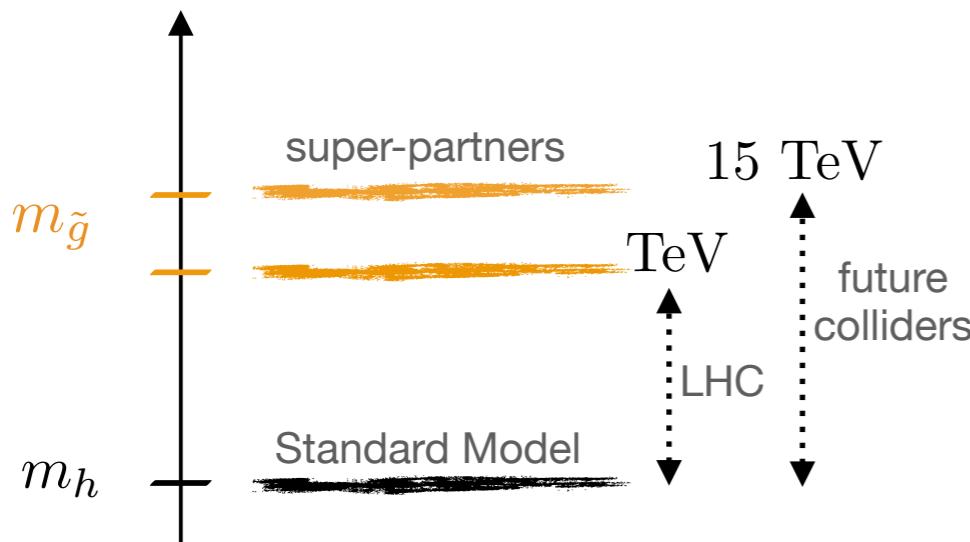
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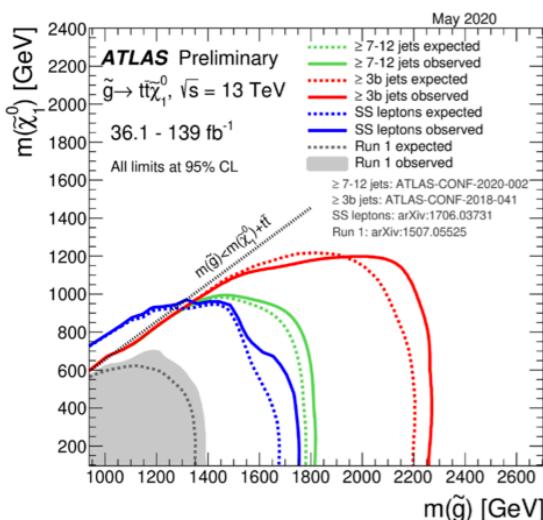


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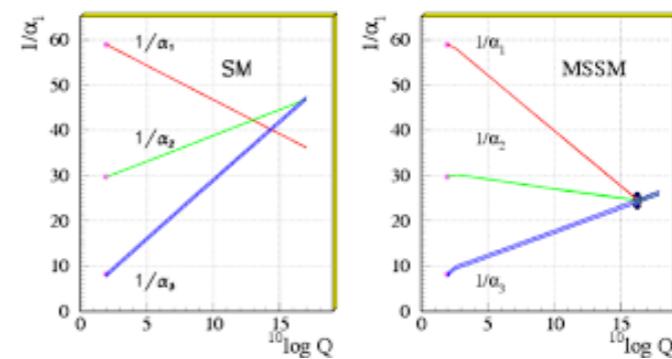
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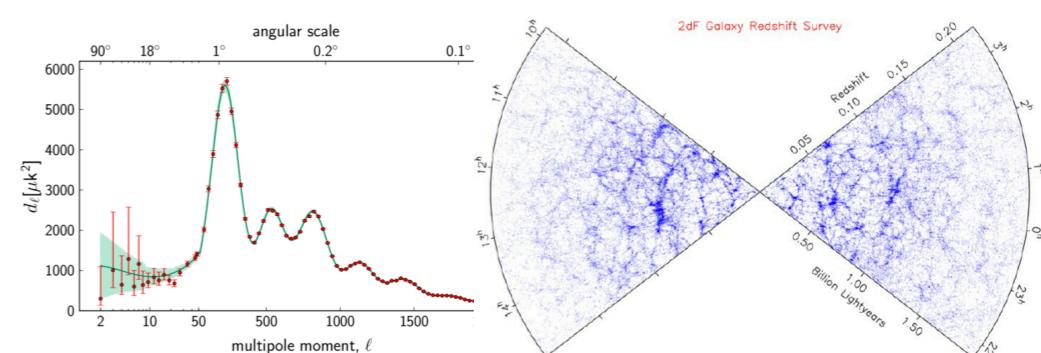
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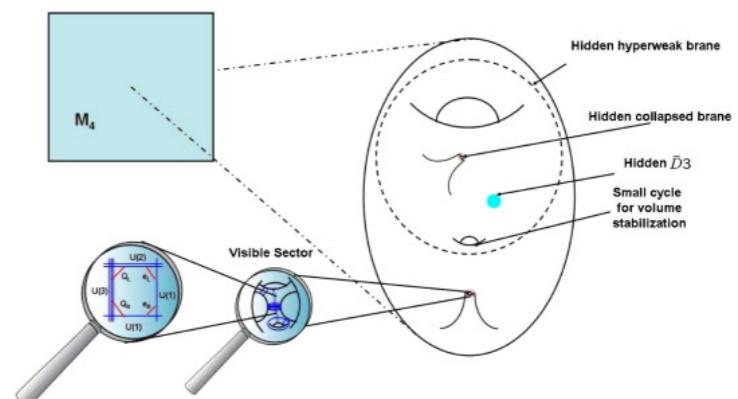


Dark Matter candidates: WIMPs, gravitino, ...

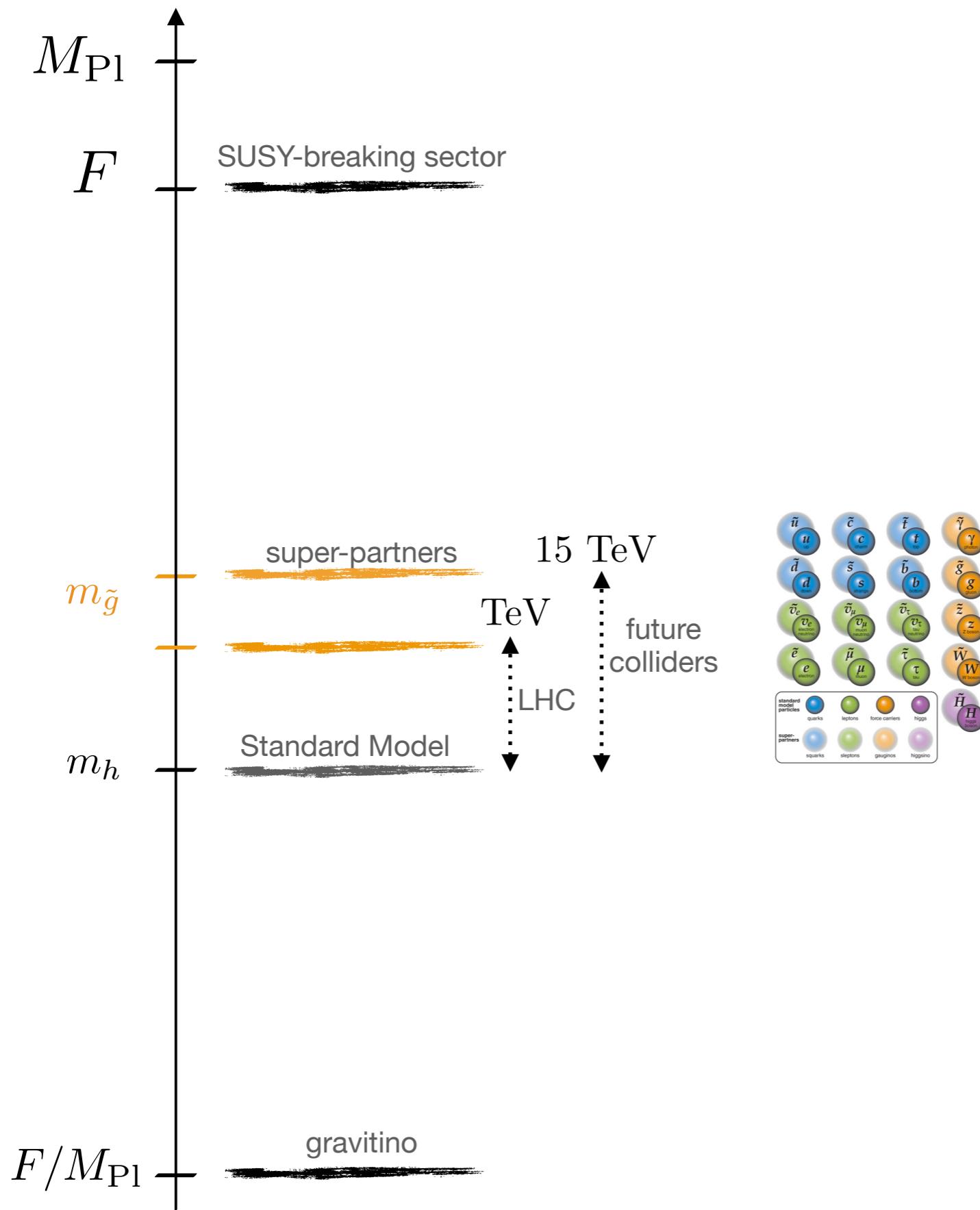


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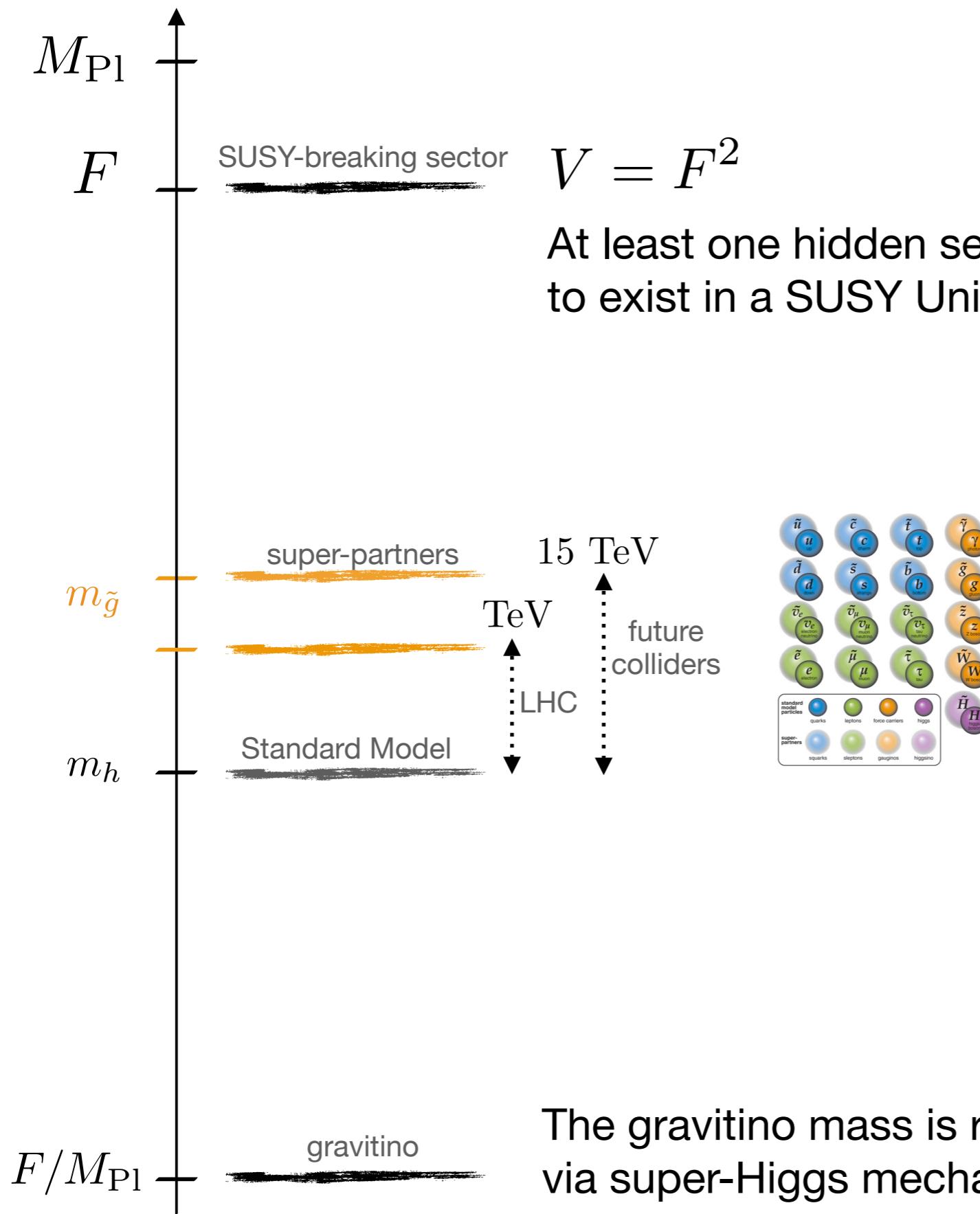


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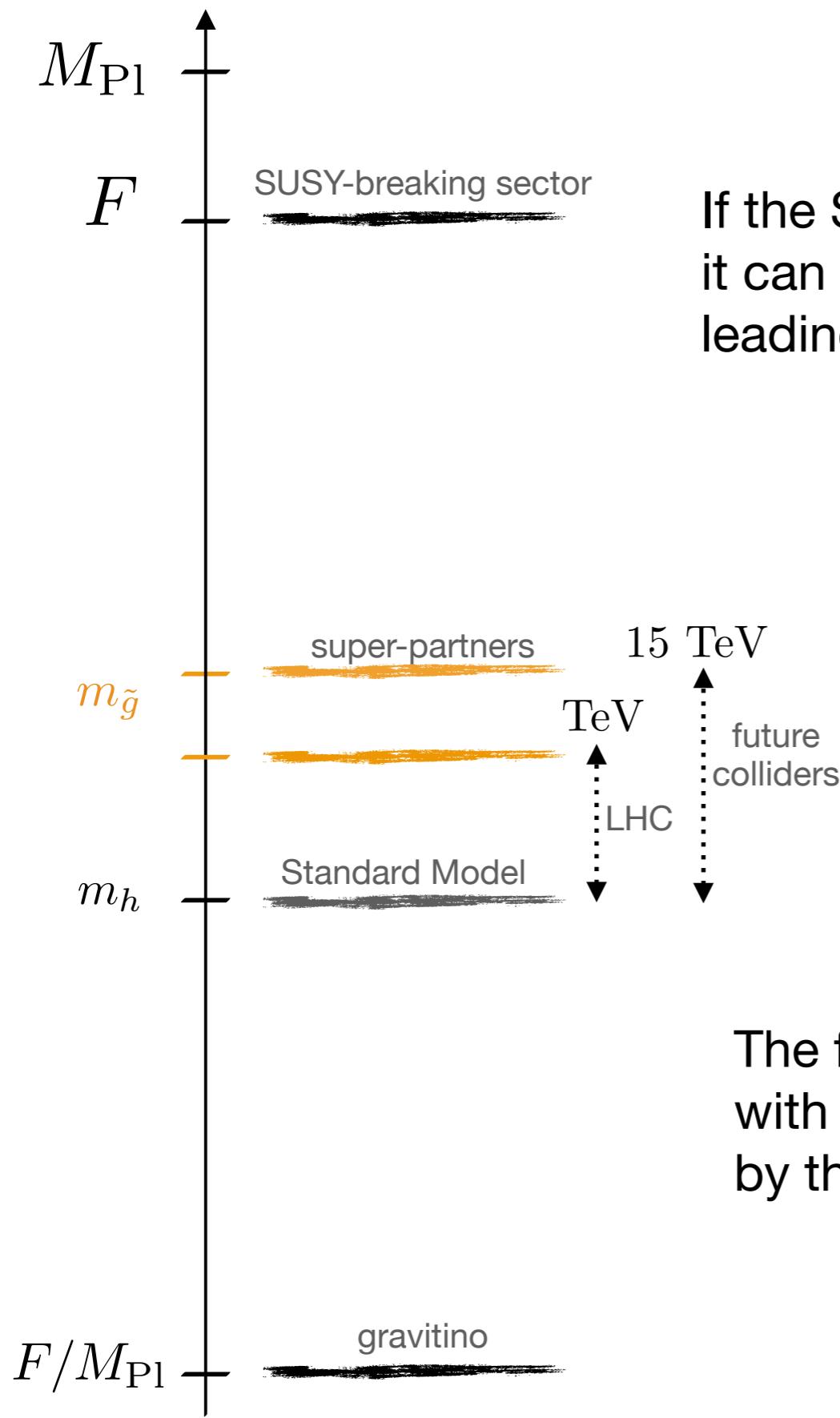
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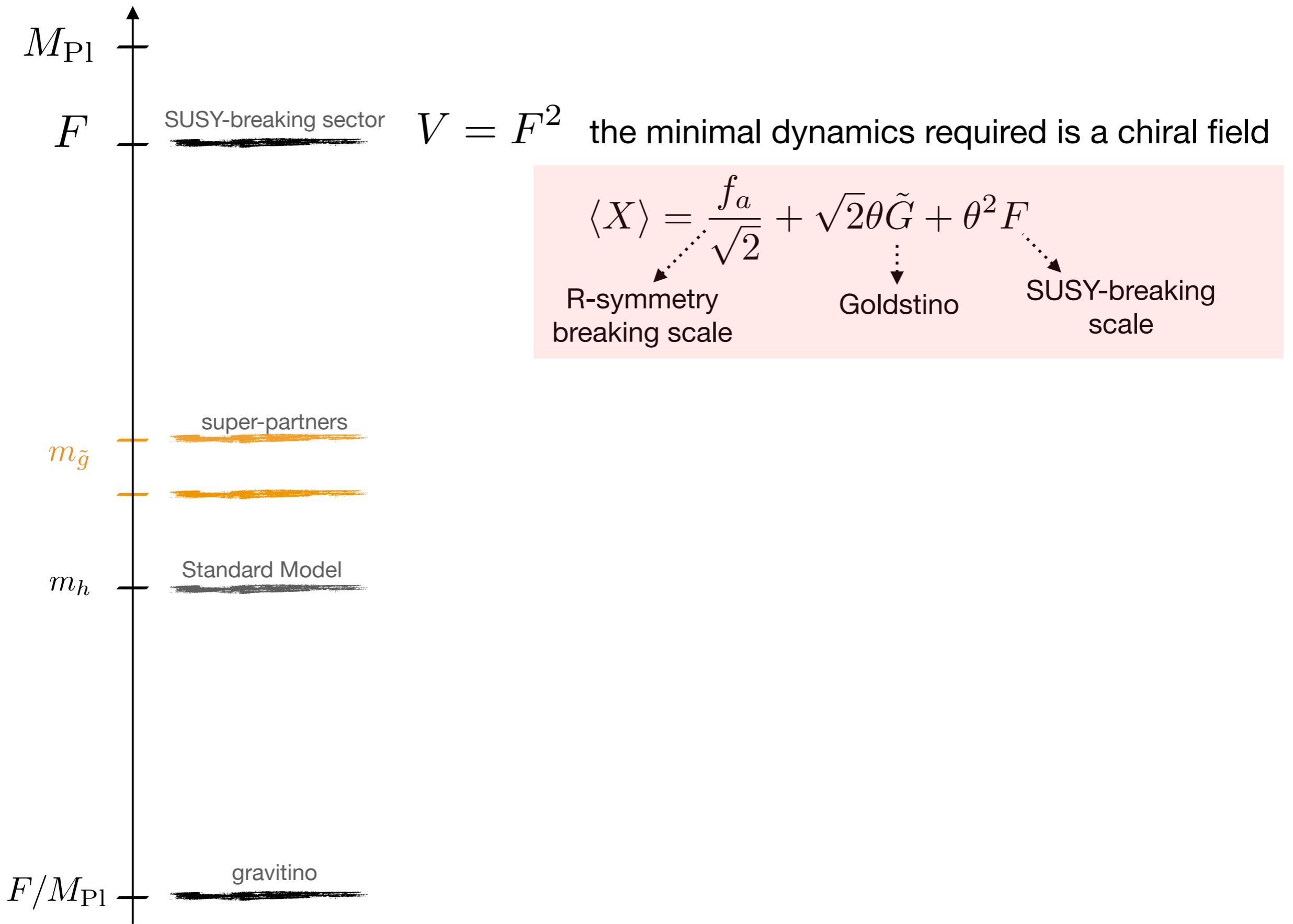


If the SUSY-breaking sector is reheated after inflation,
it can undergo a 1st order PT^{*}
leading to GW signals at future interferometers

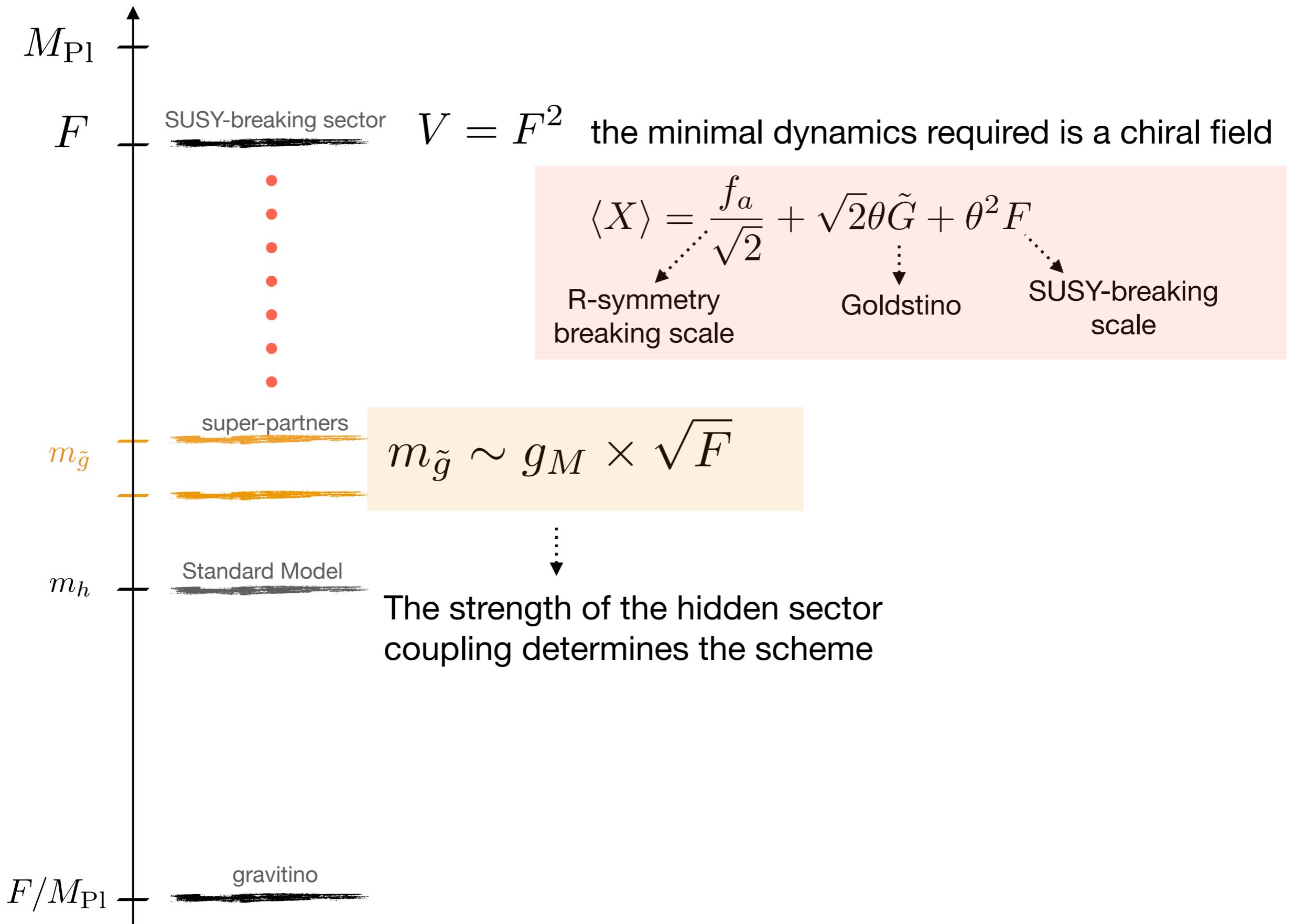
The frequency of the signal correlates
with the SUSY-spectrum and it is constrained
by the requirement of a viable cosmology

* the question about the nature of this PT
will be the topic of the second part
of the talk

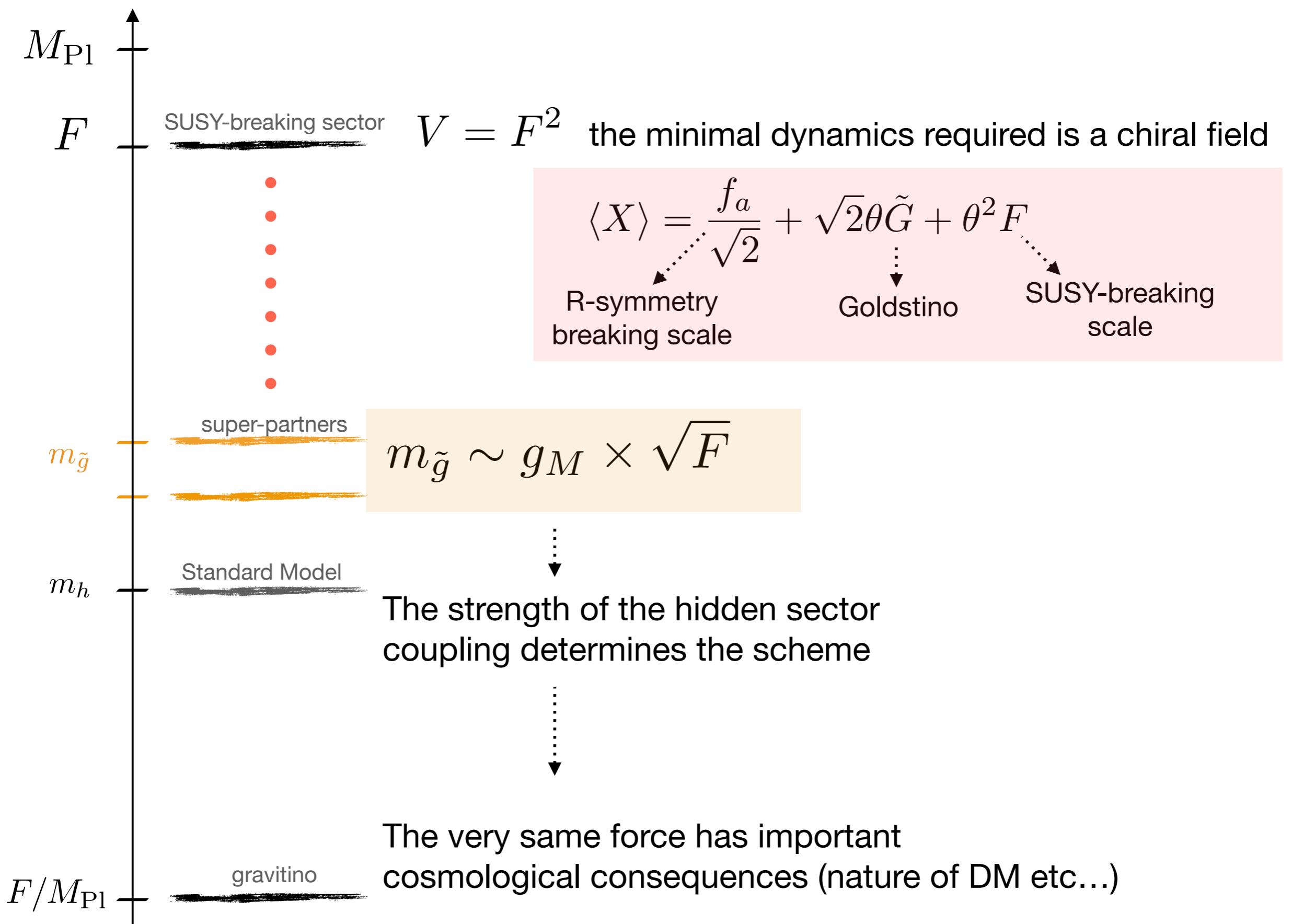
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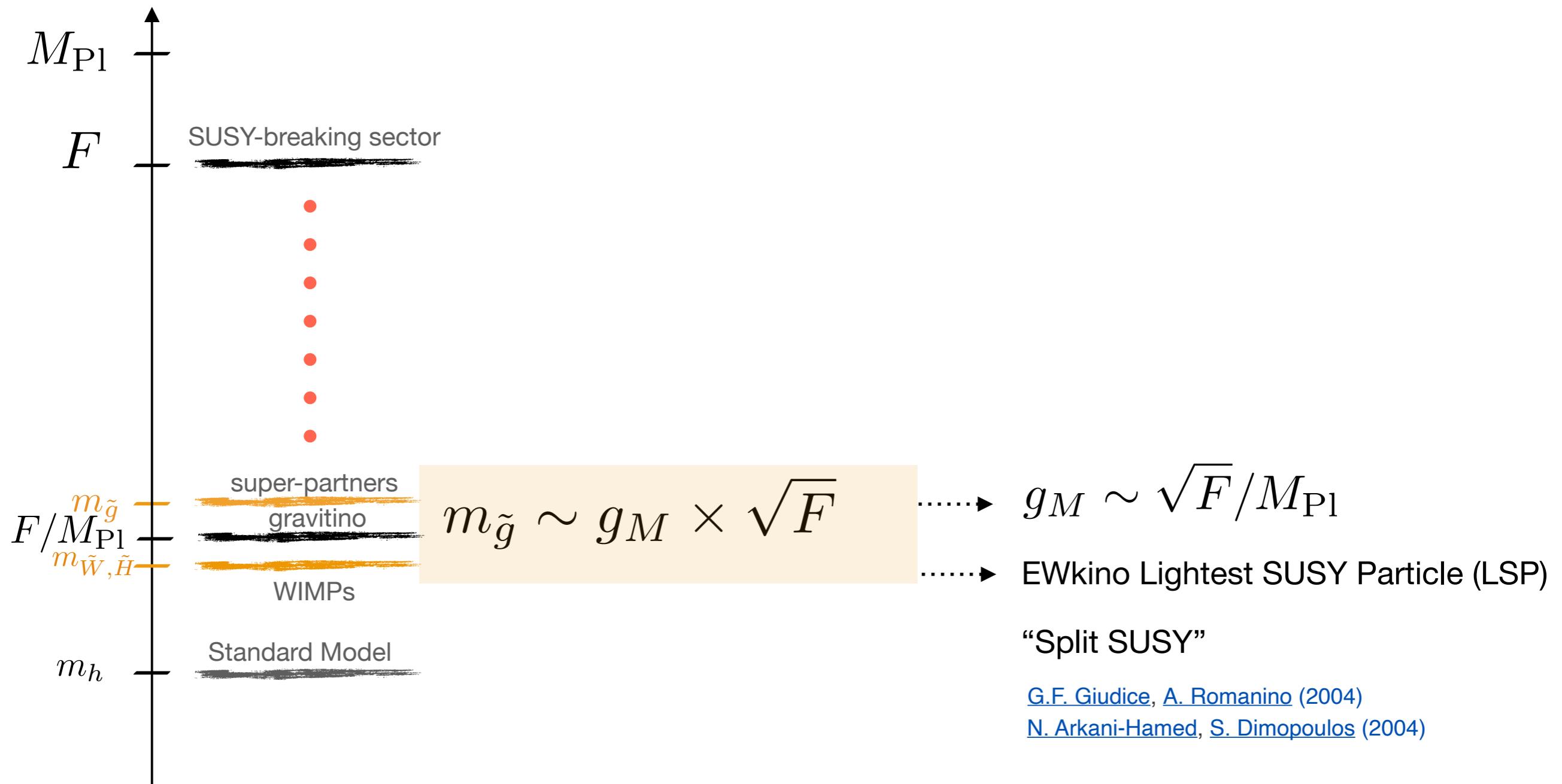
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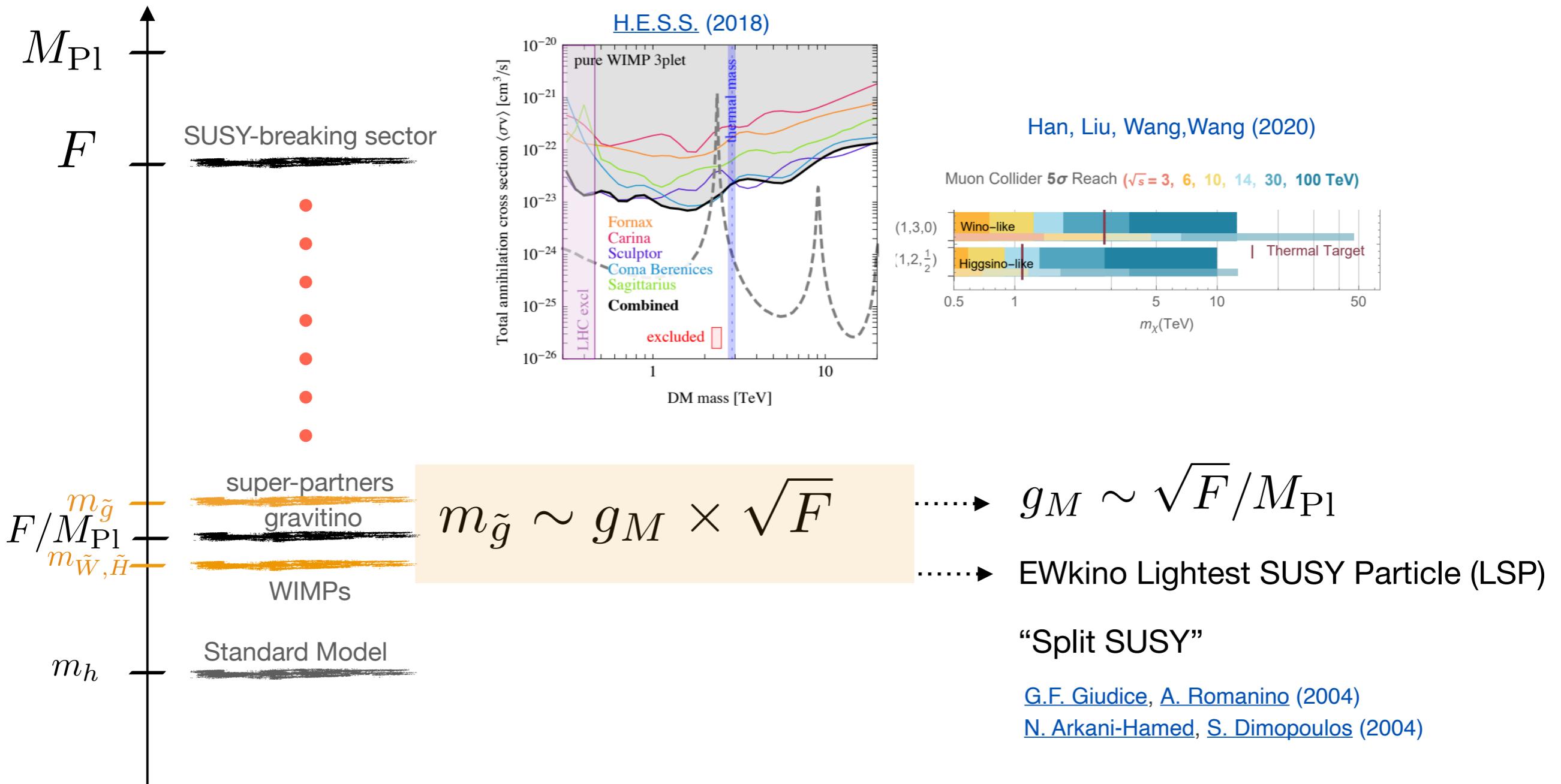
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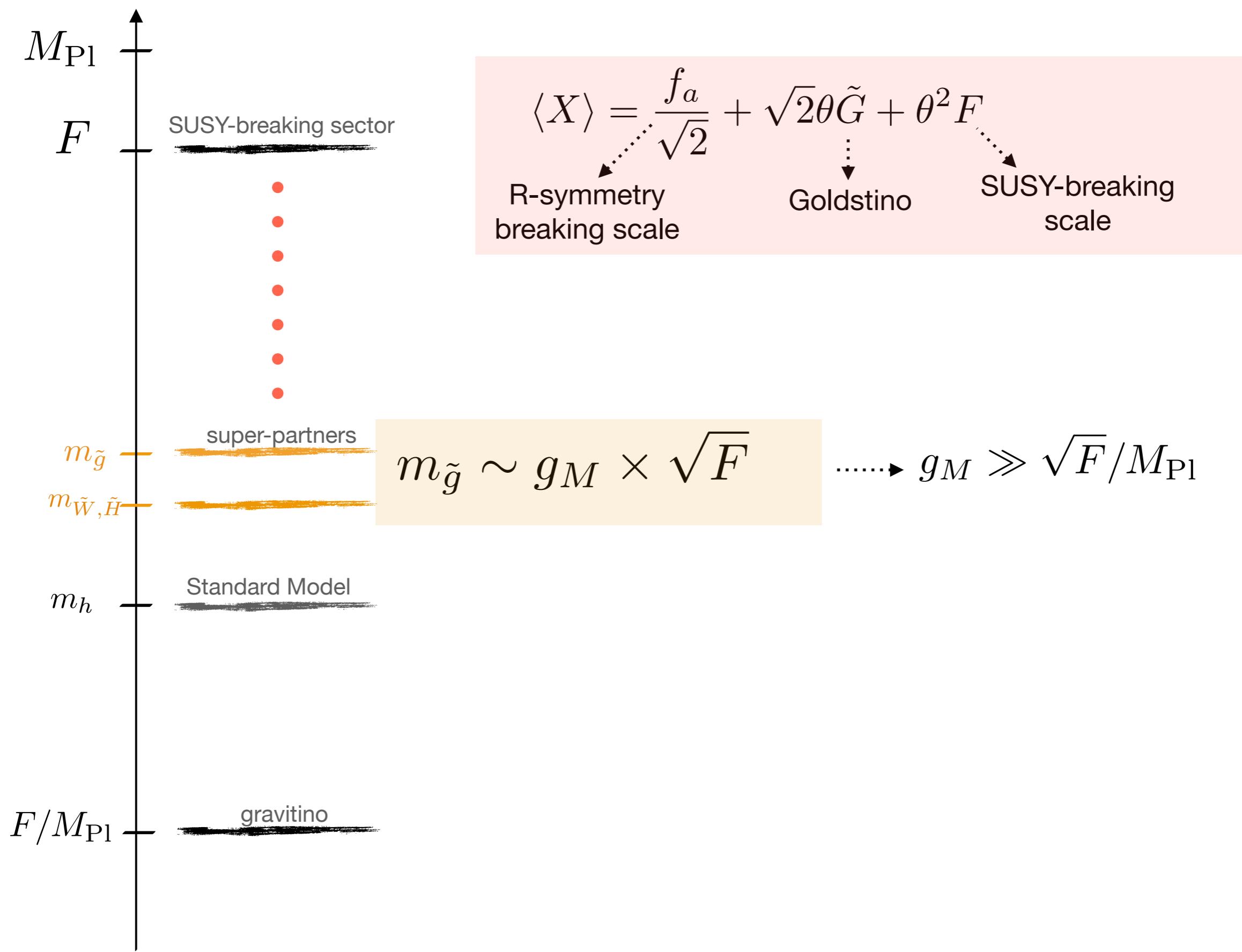
The main signal to hunt for are the WIMPs!

indirect detection + future colliders

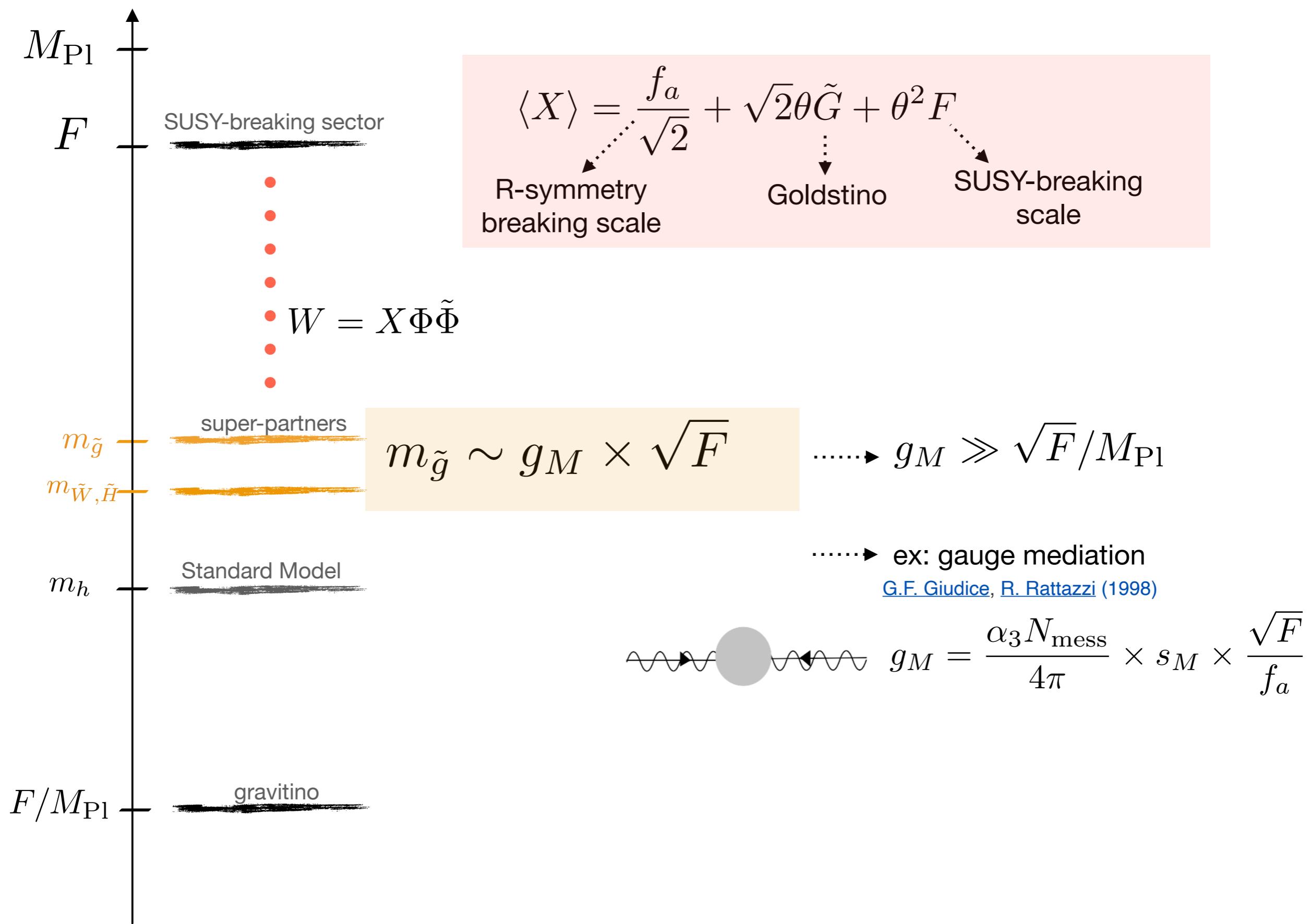
“Split SUSY”

[G.F. Giudice, A. Romanino \(2004\)](#)
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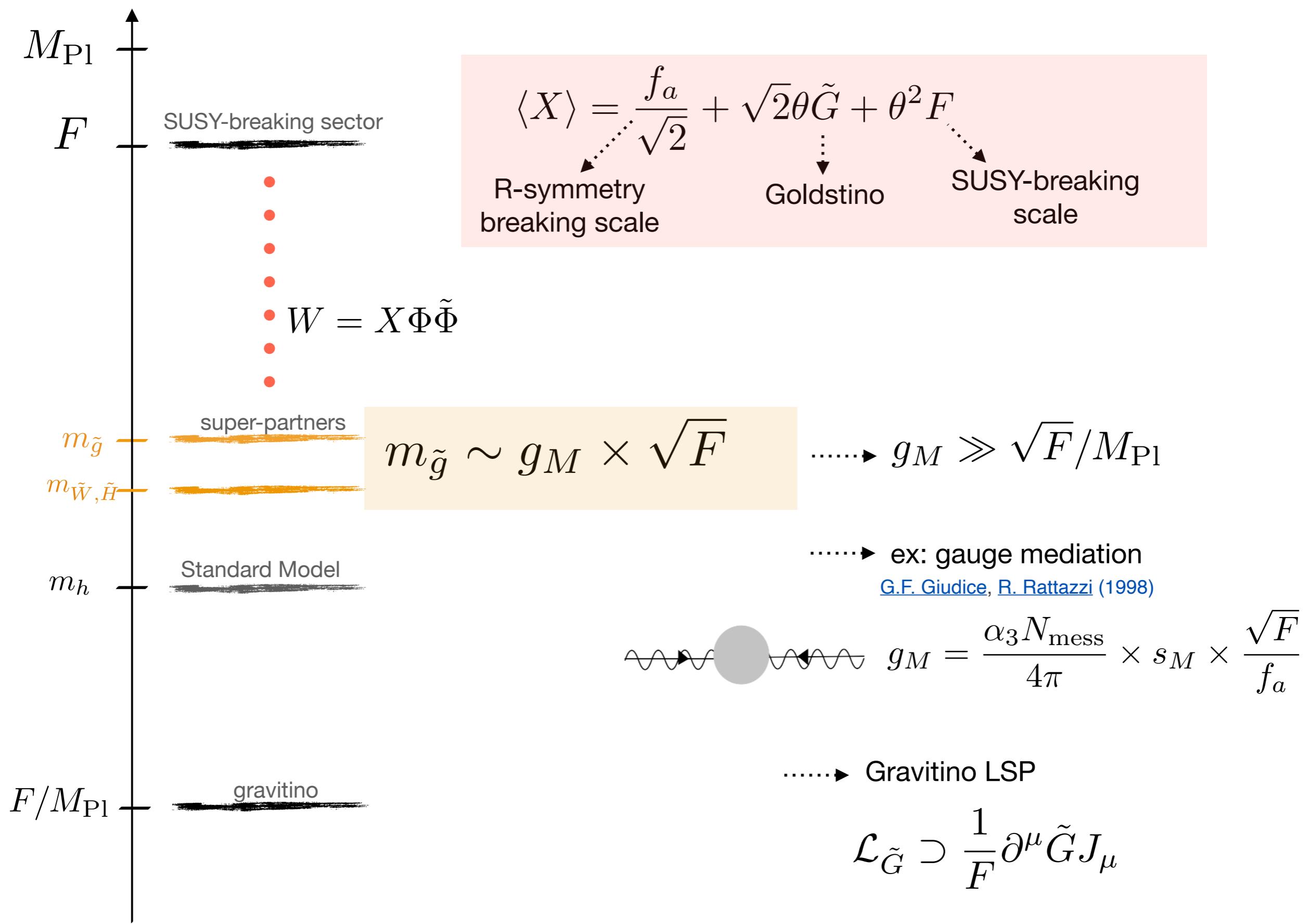
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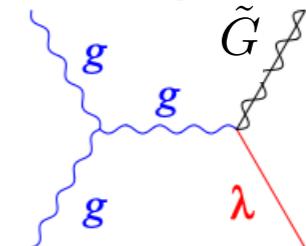


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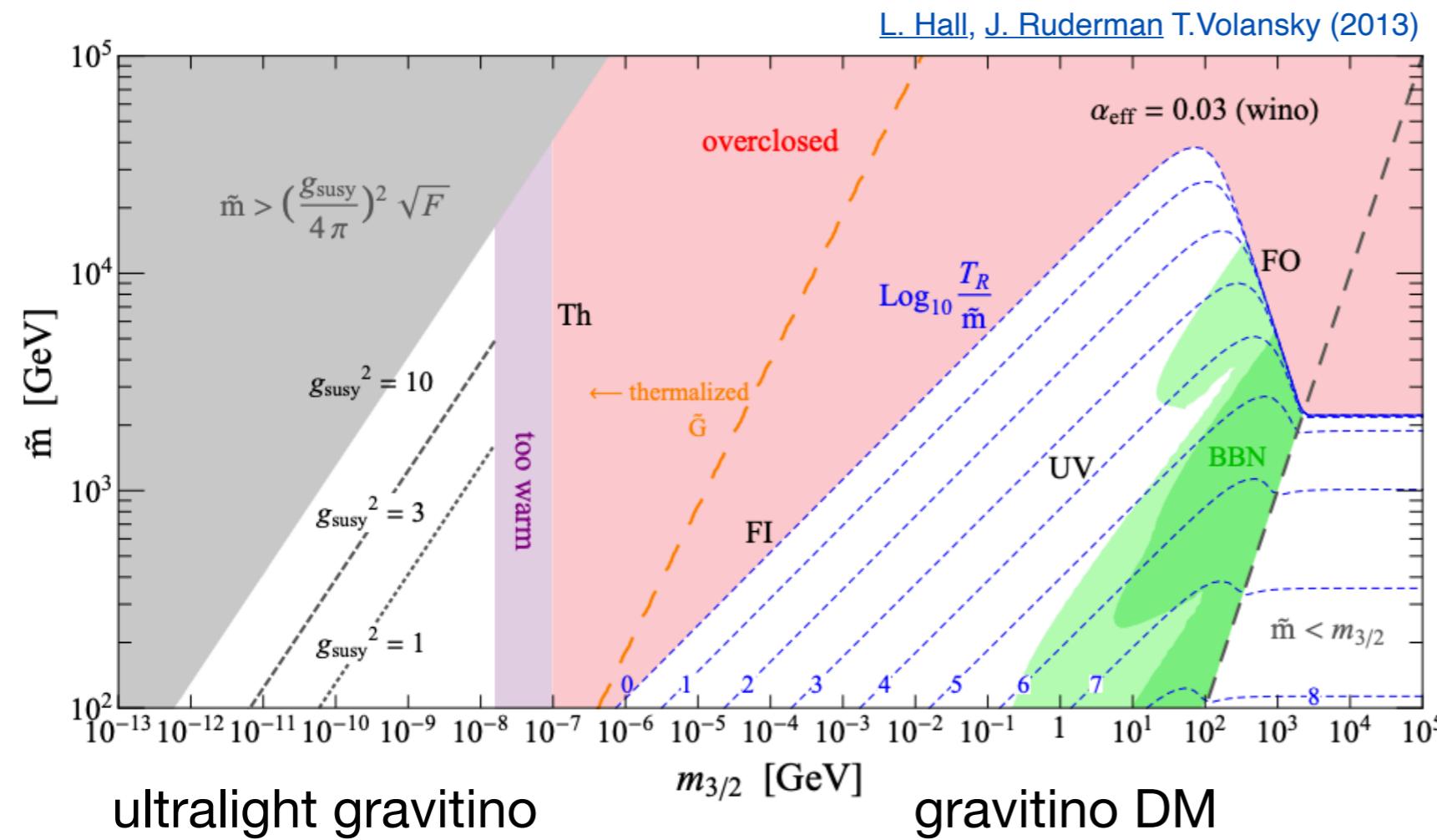
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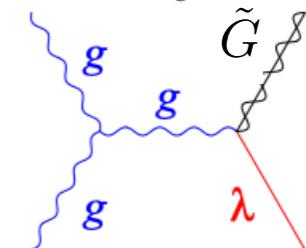


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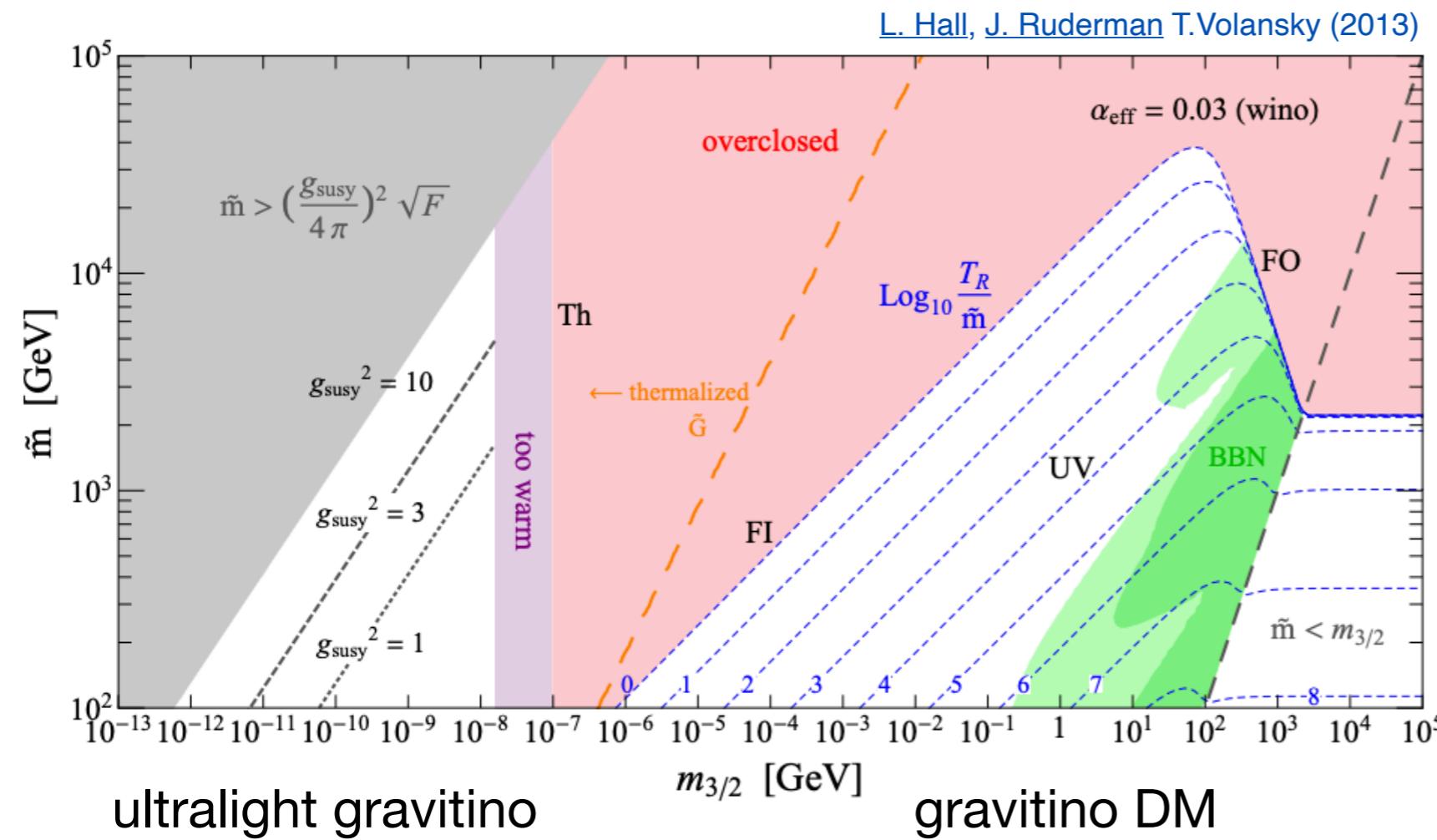
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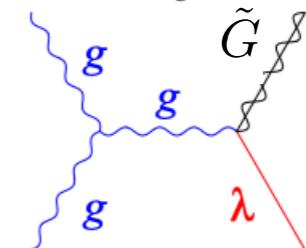
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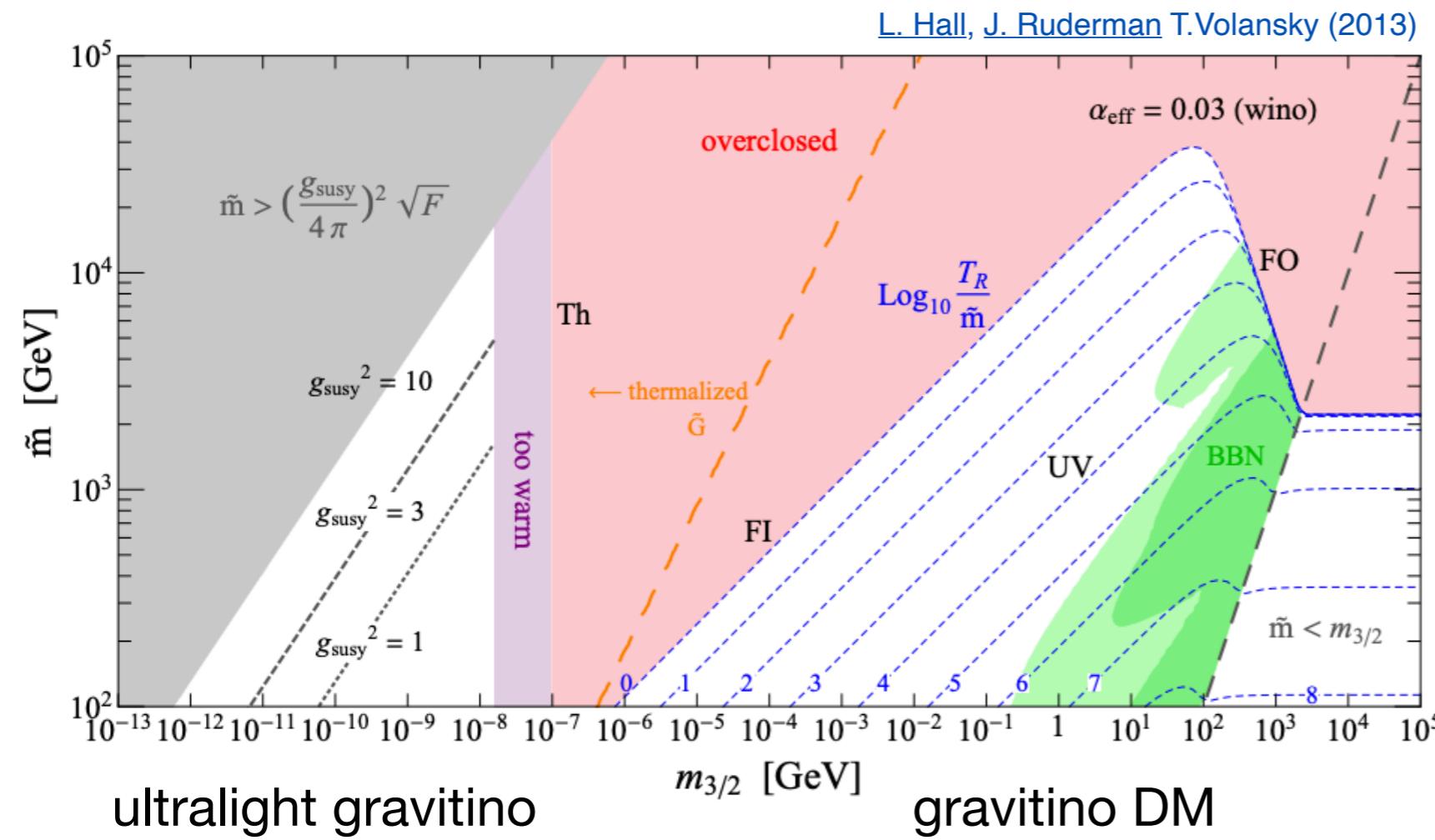
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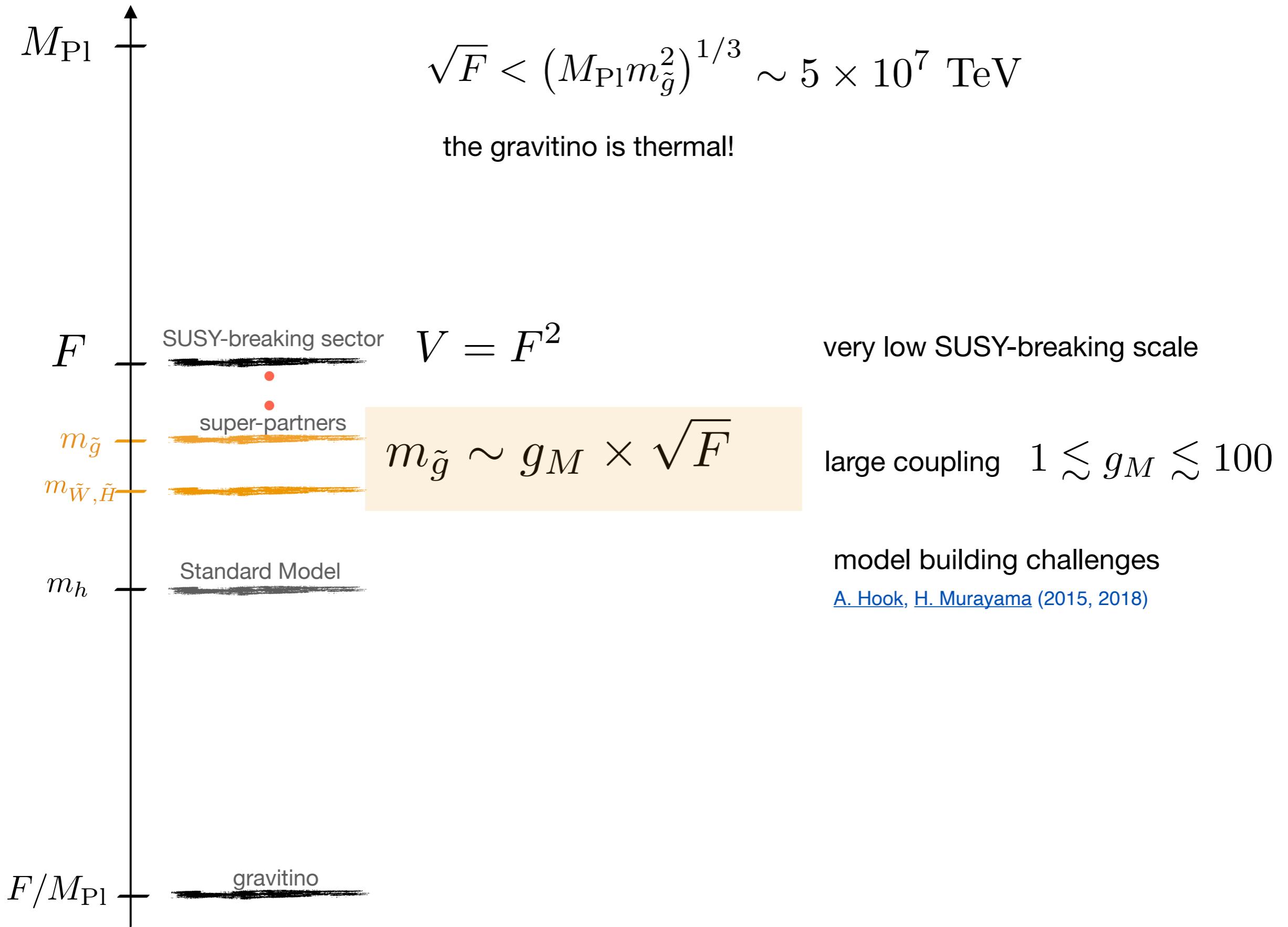
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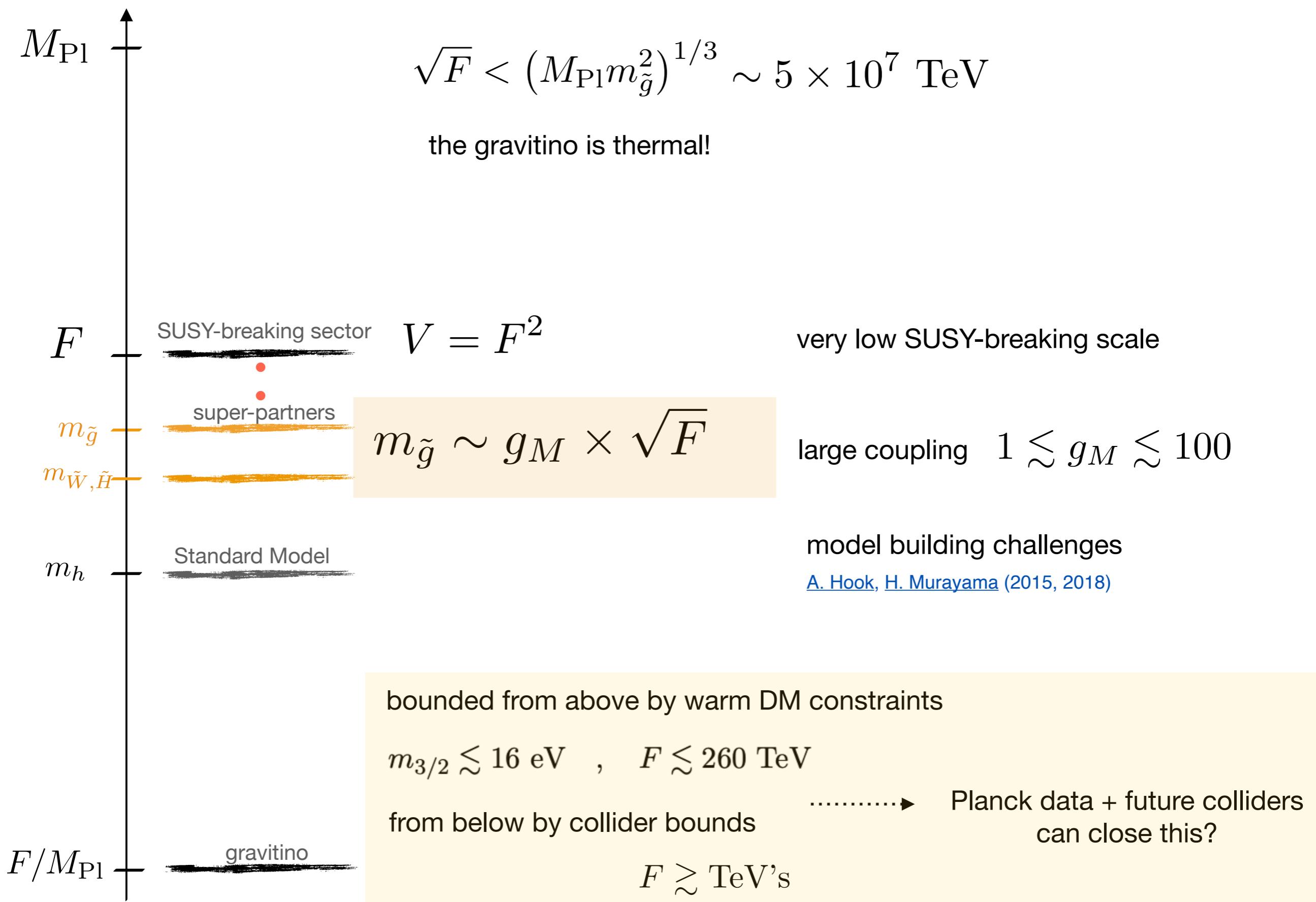
This lead generically to problems with Gravitino overabundance

$$m_{3/2} Y_{3/2} < 0.27 T_{\text{eq}}$$

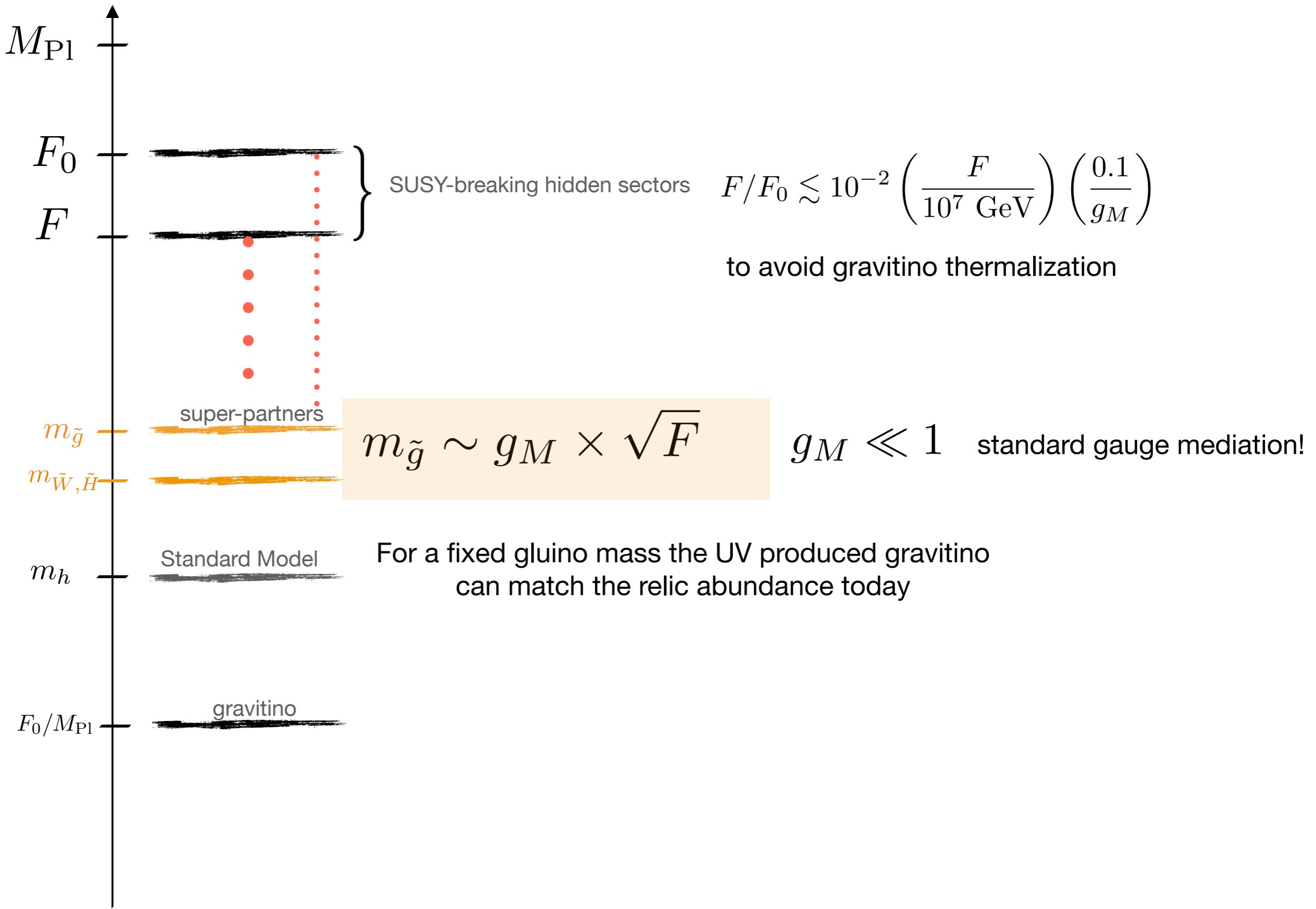
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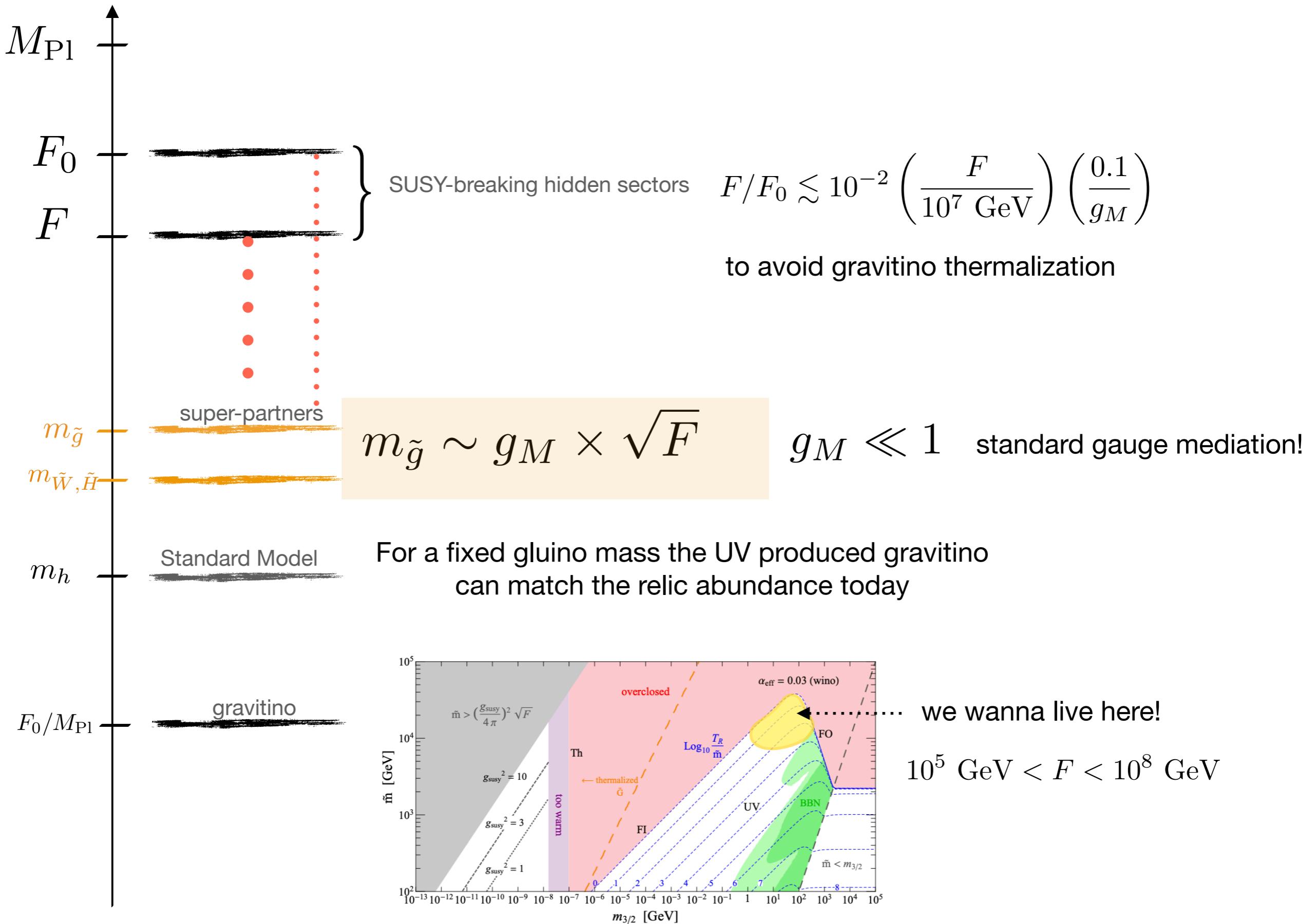
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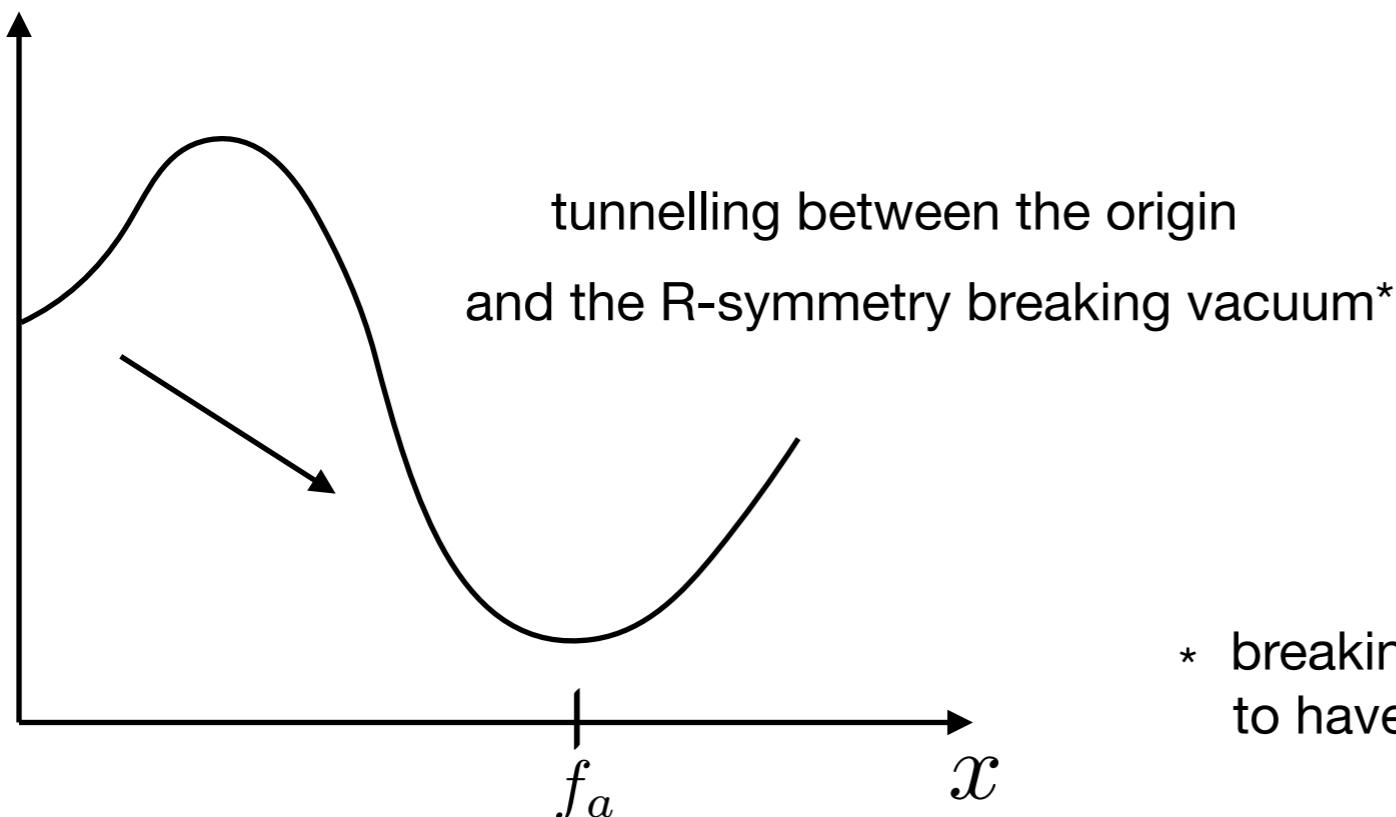
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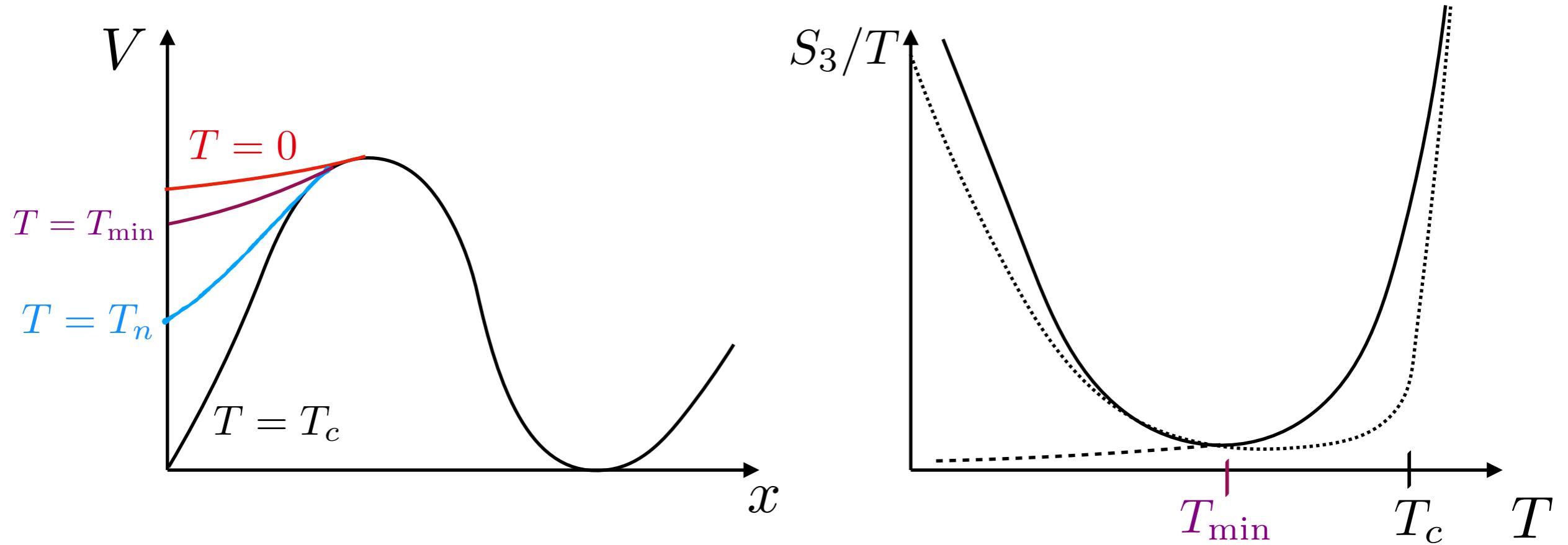
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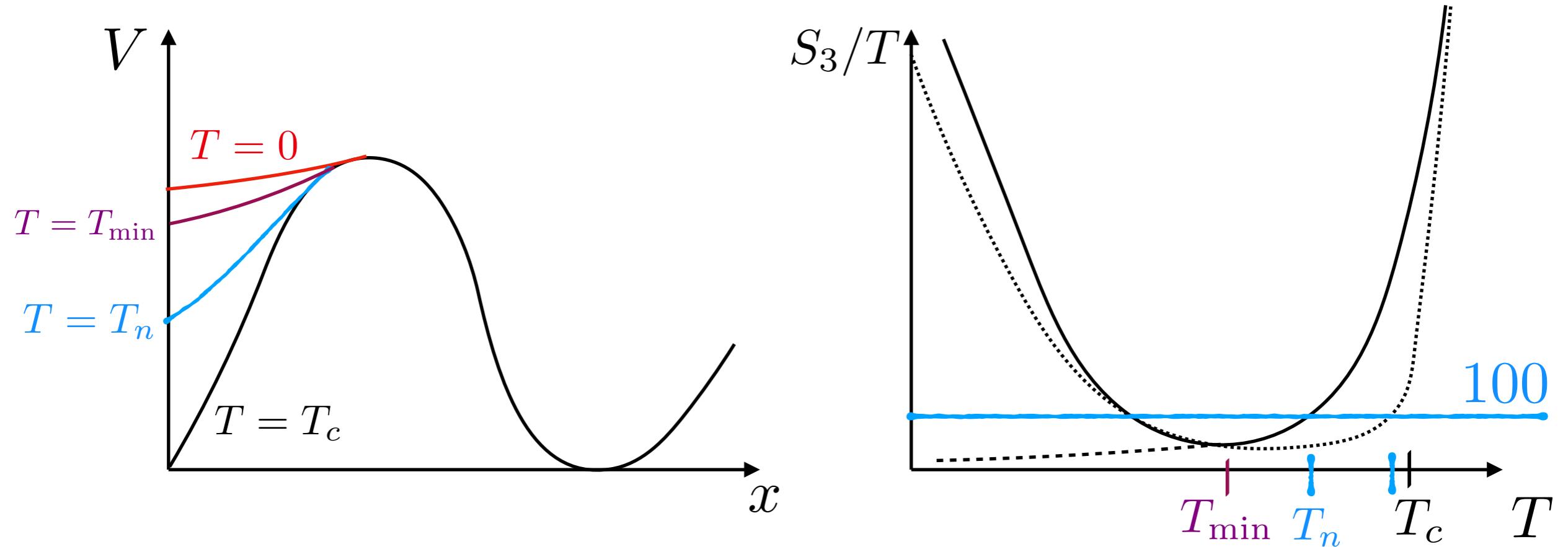


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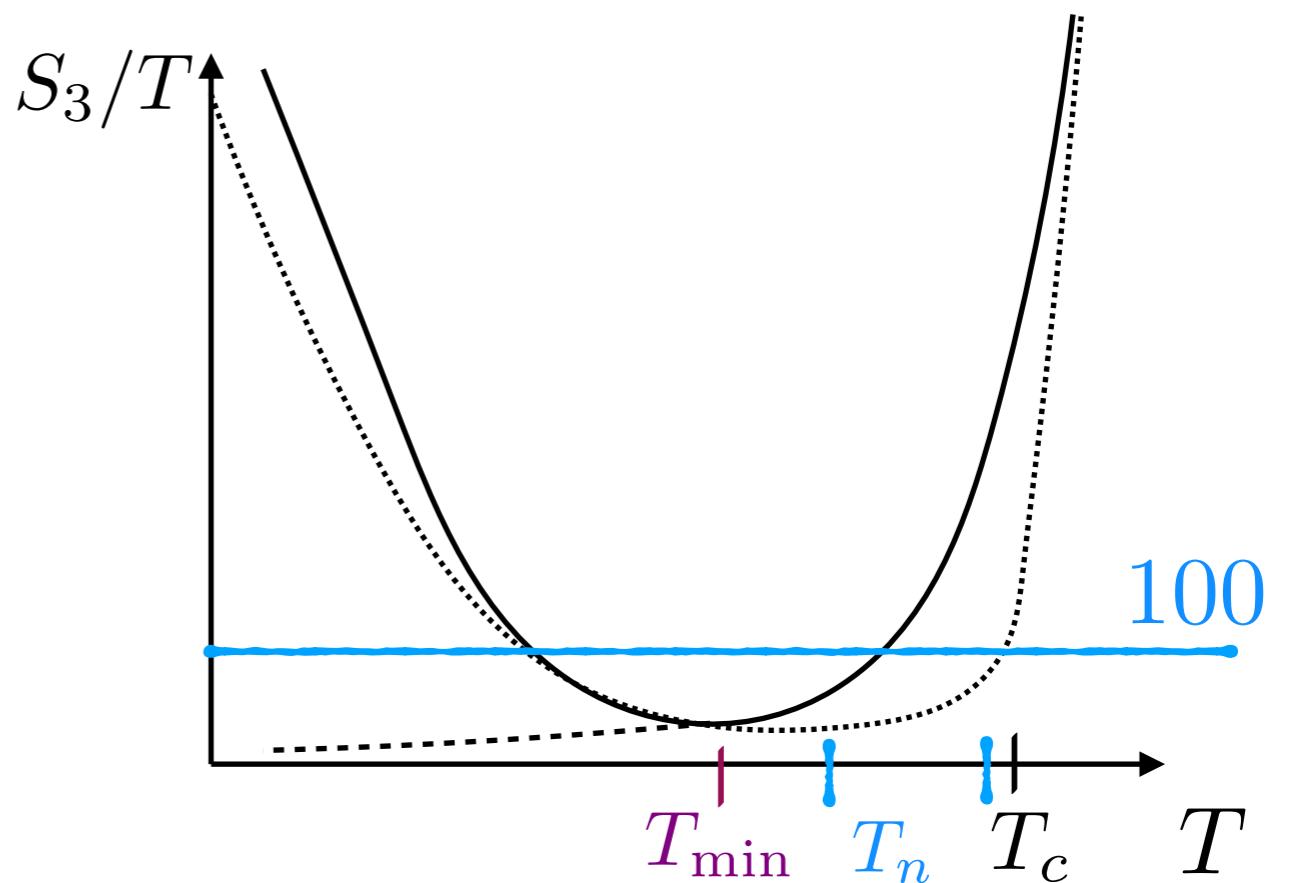
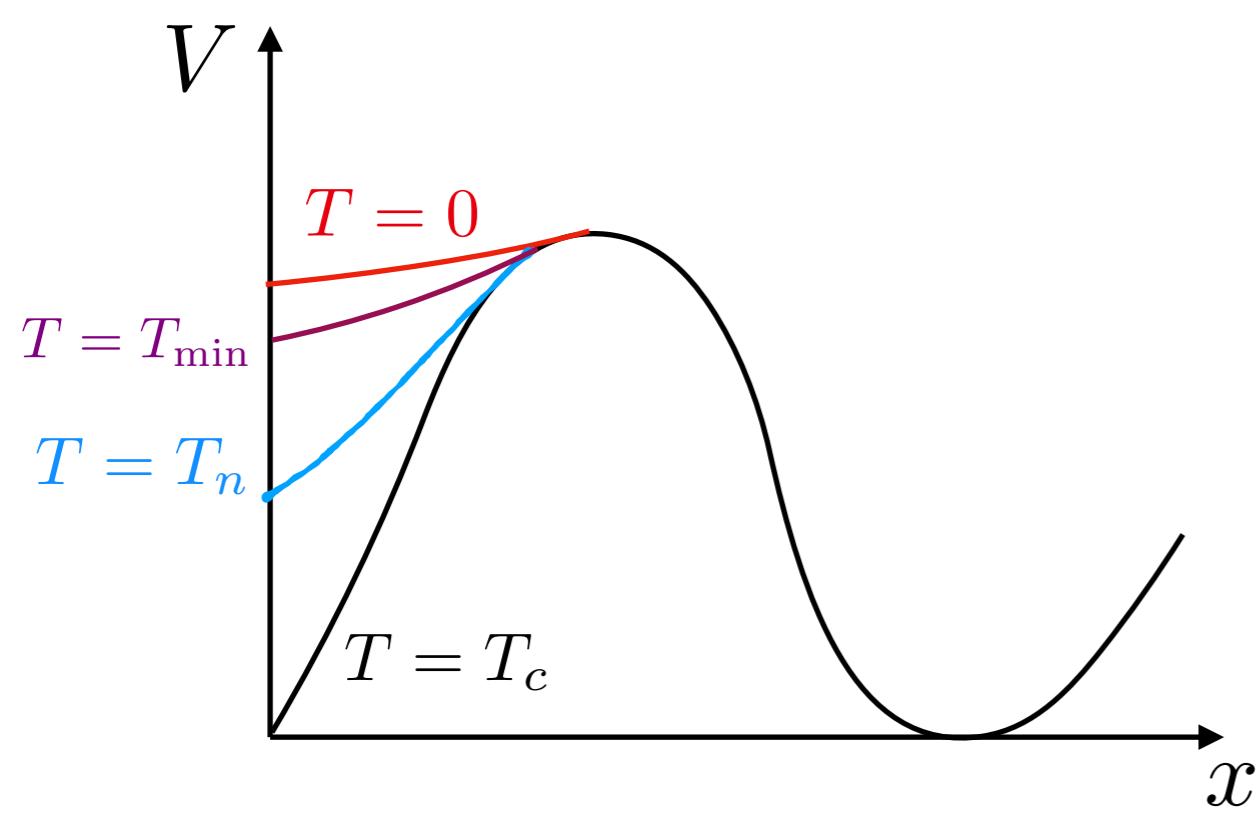
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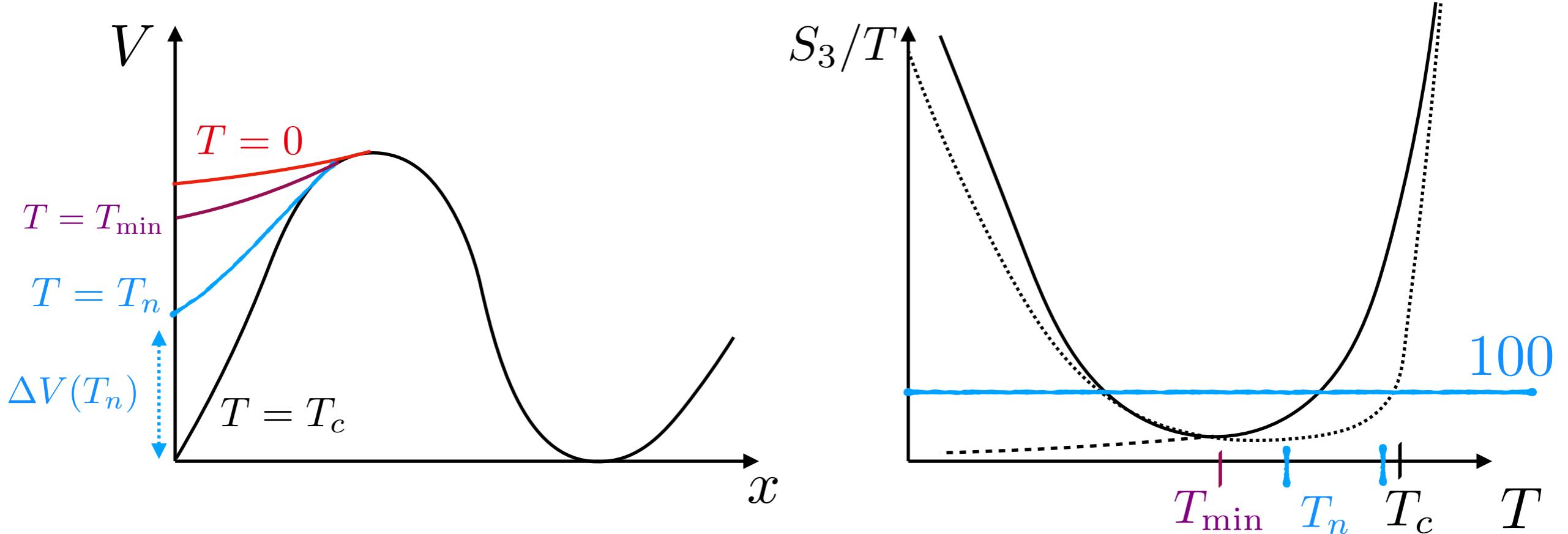
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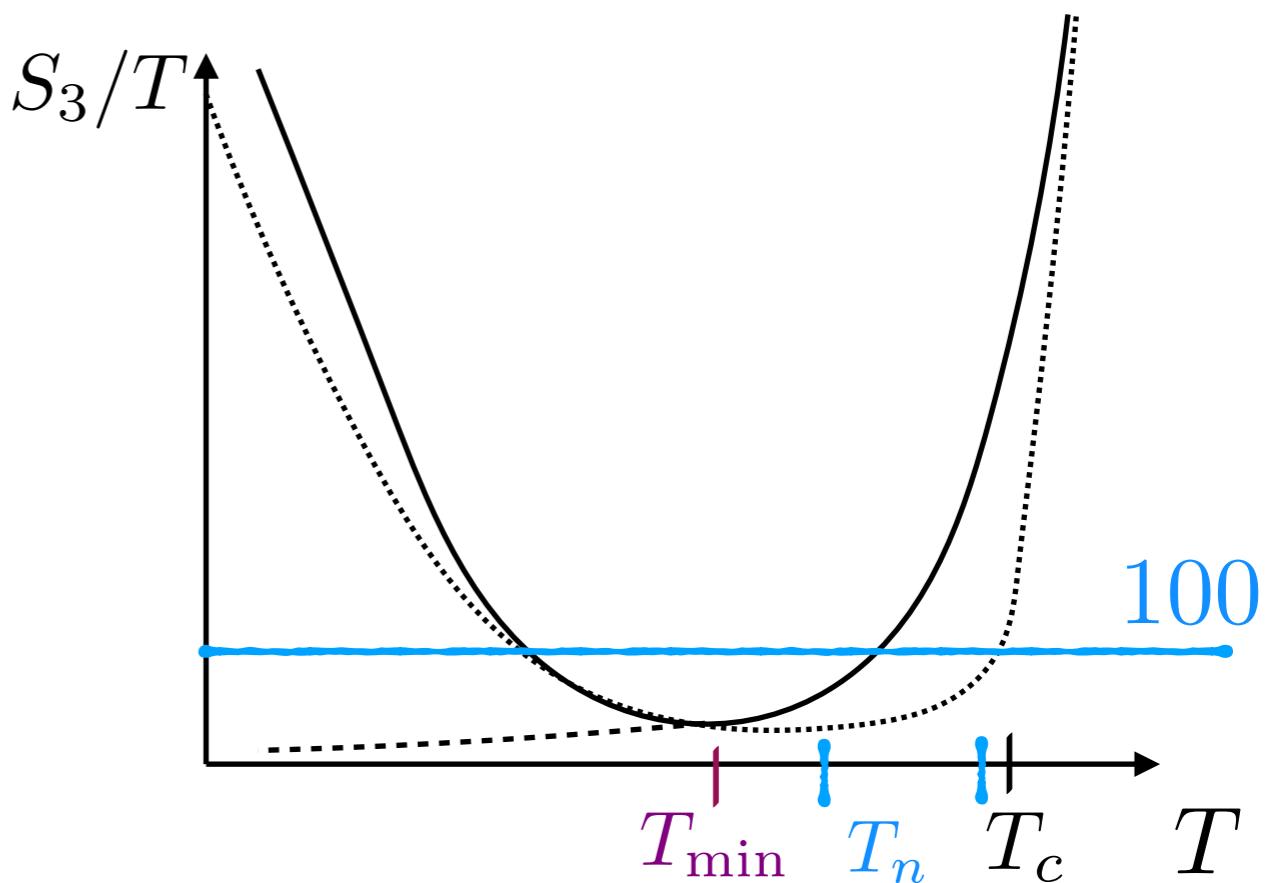
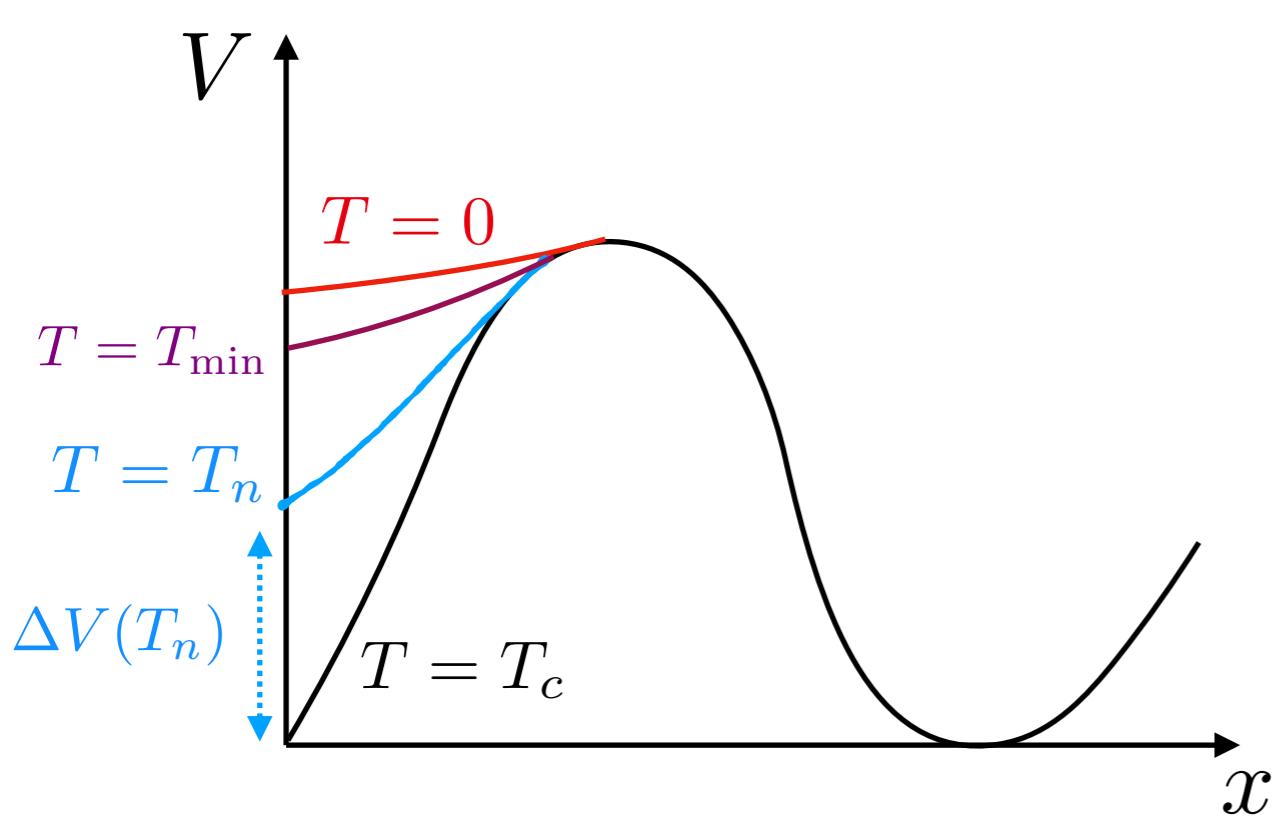


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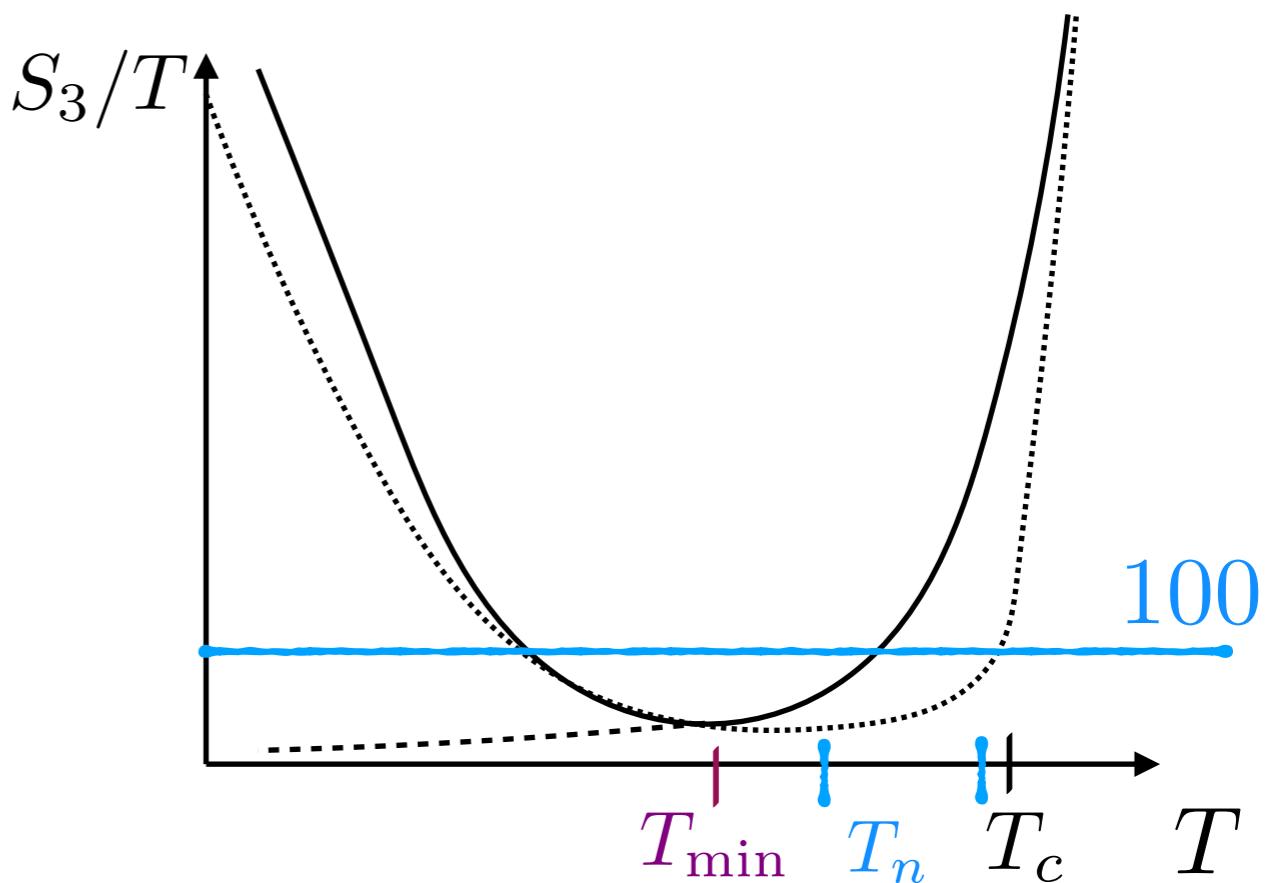
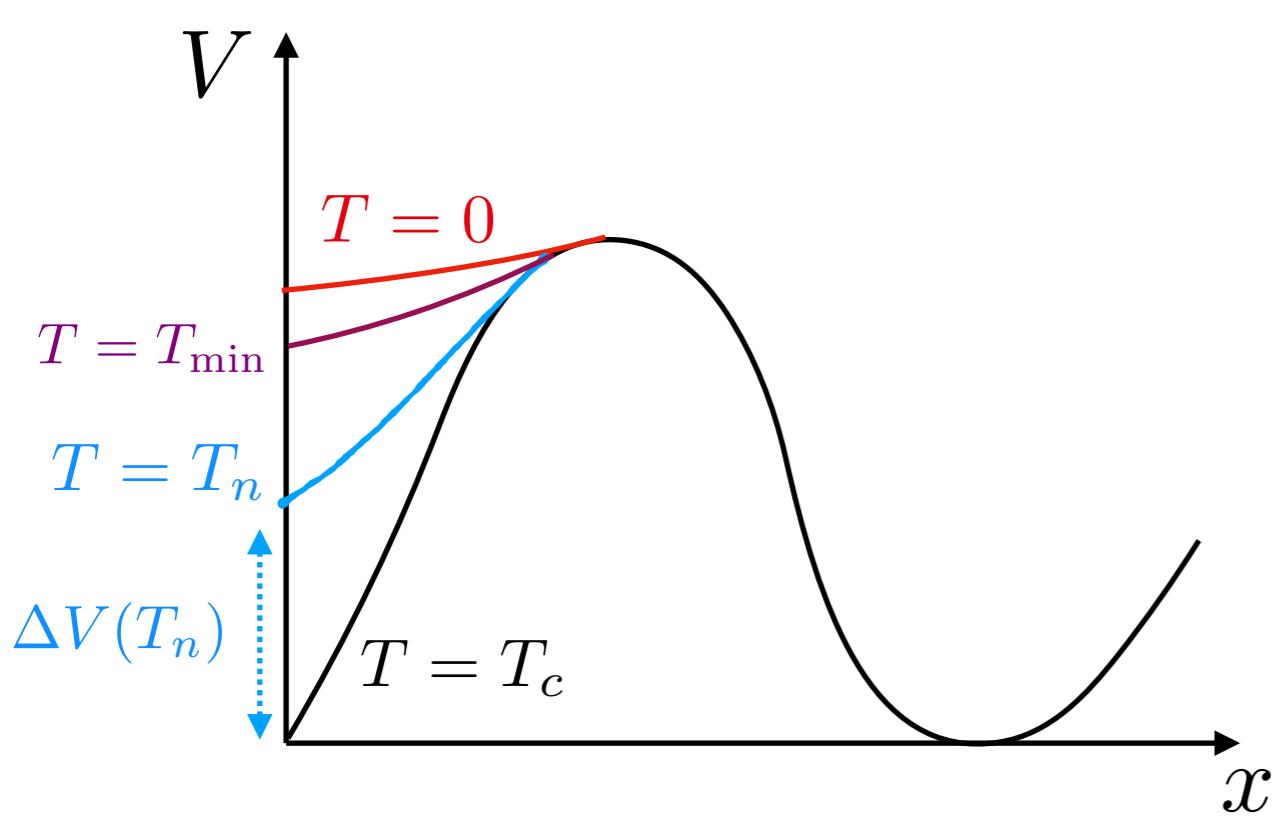


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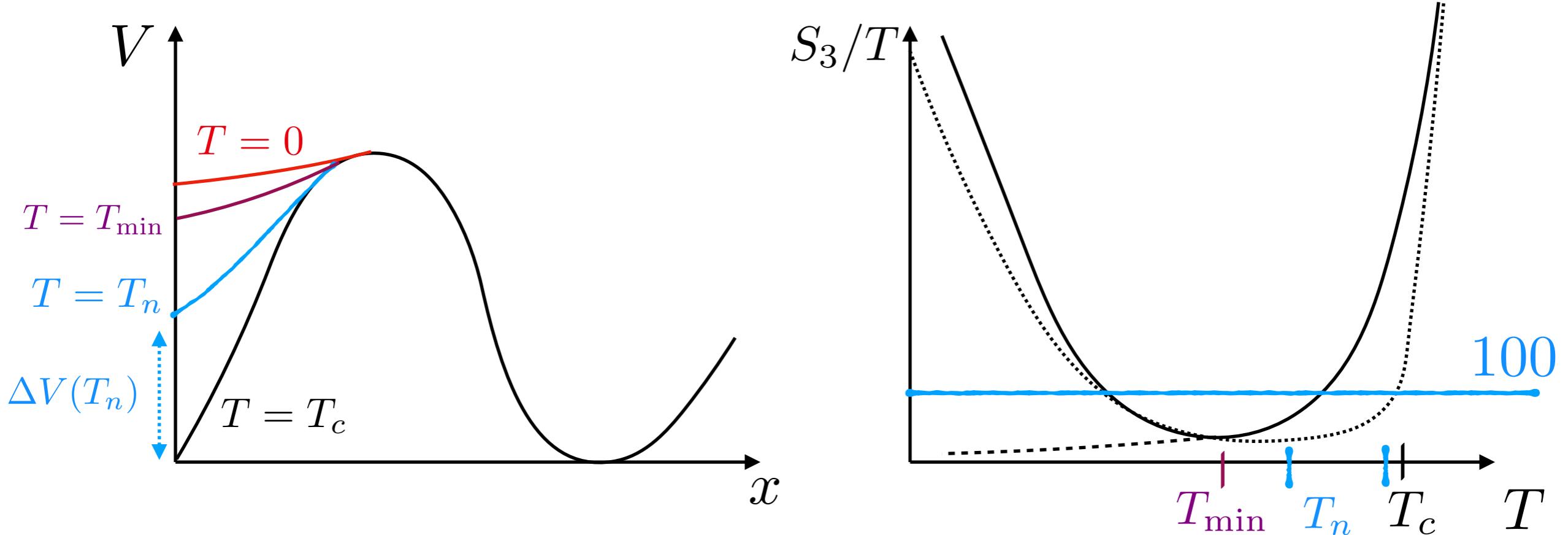
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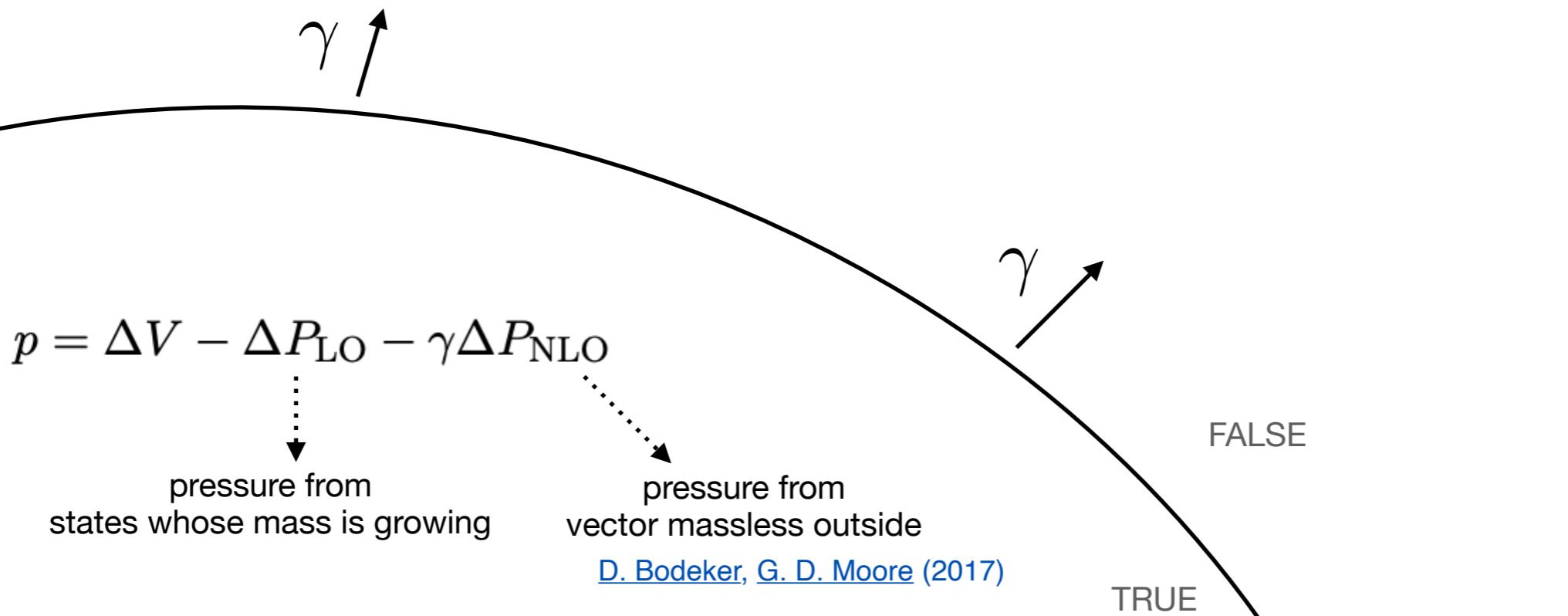
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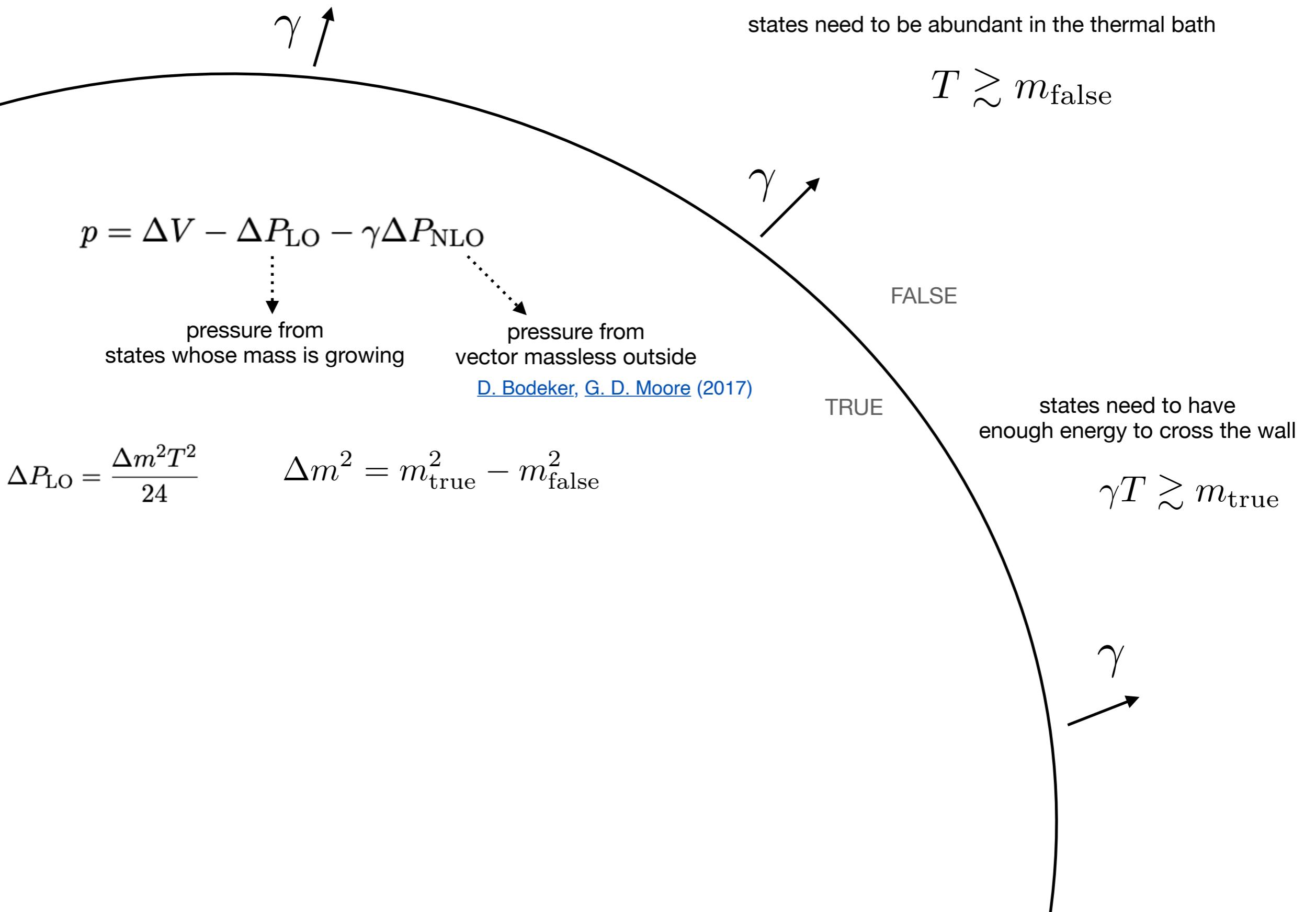
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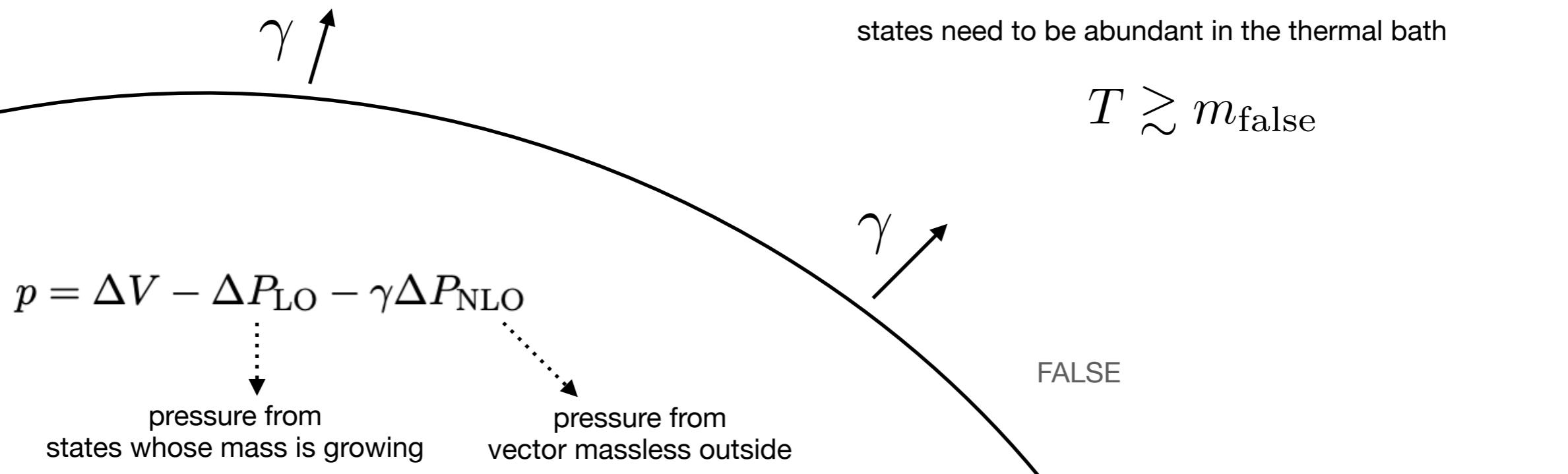
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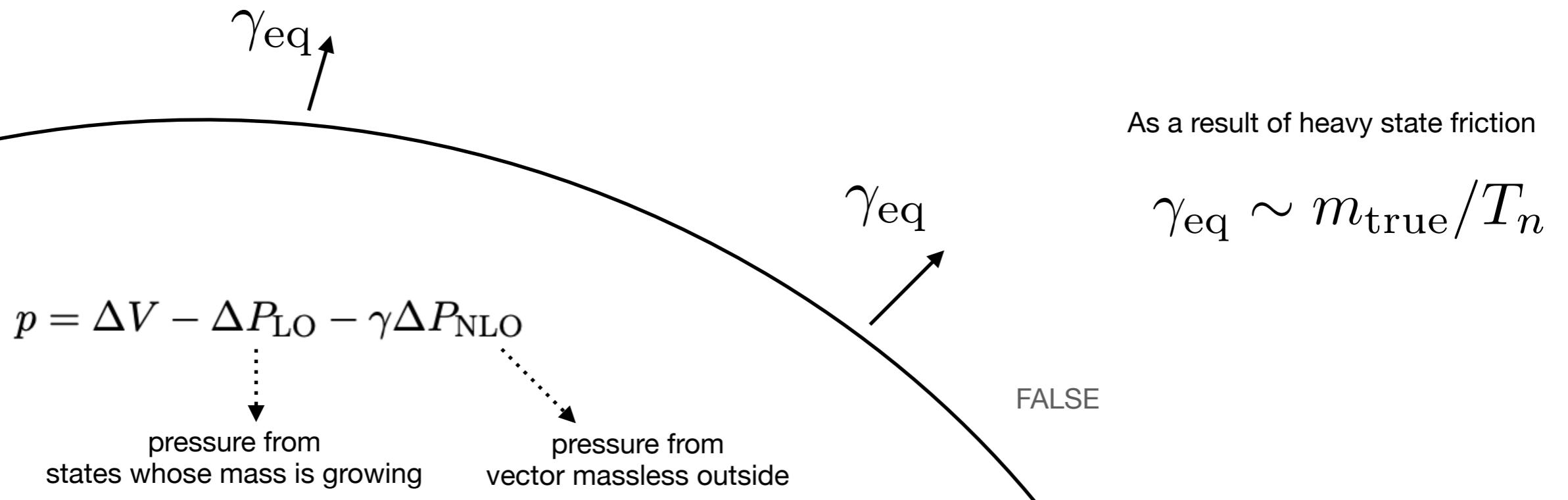
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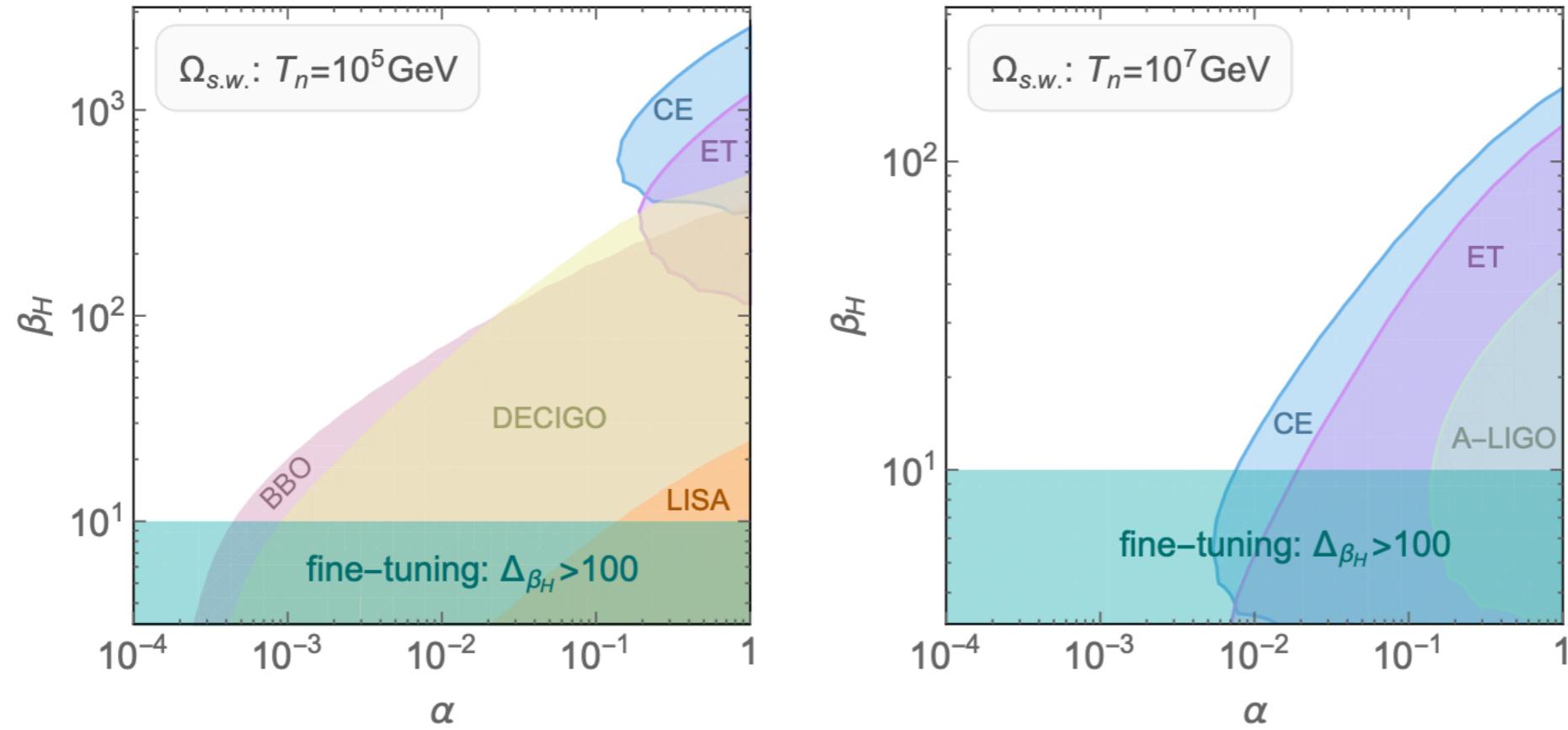
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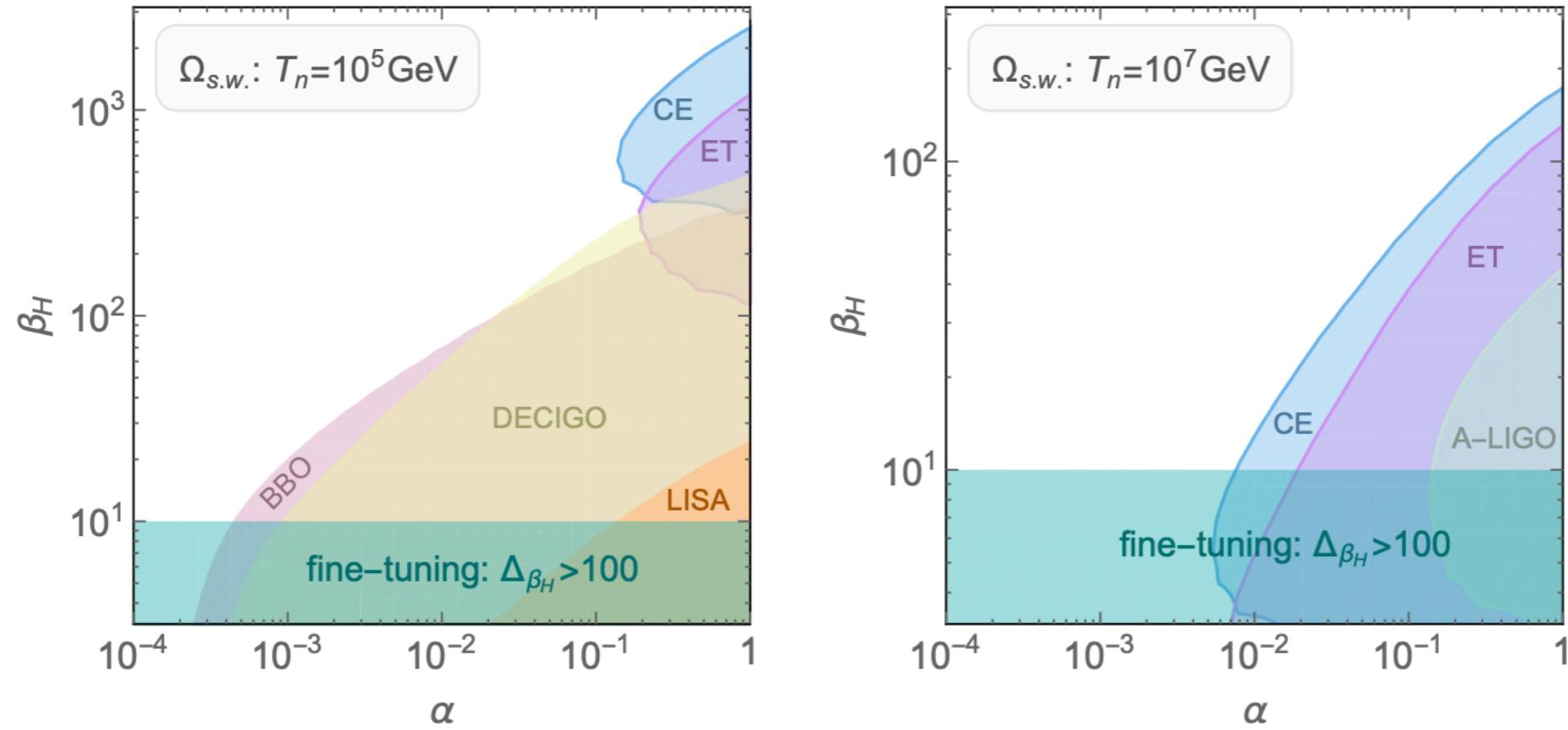
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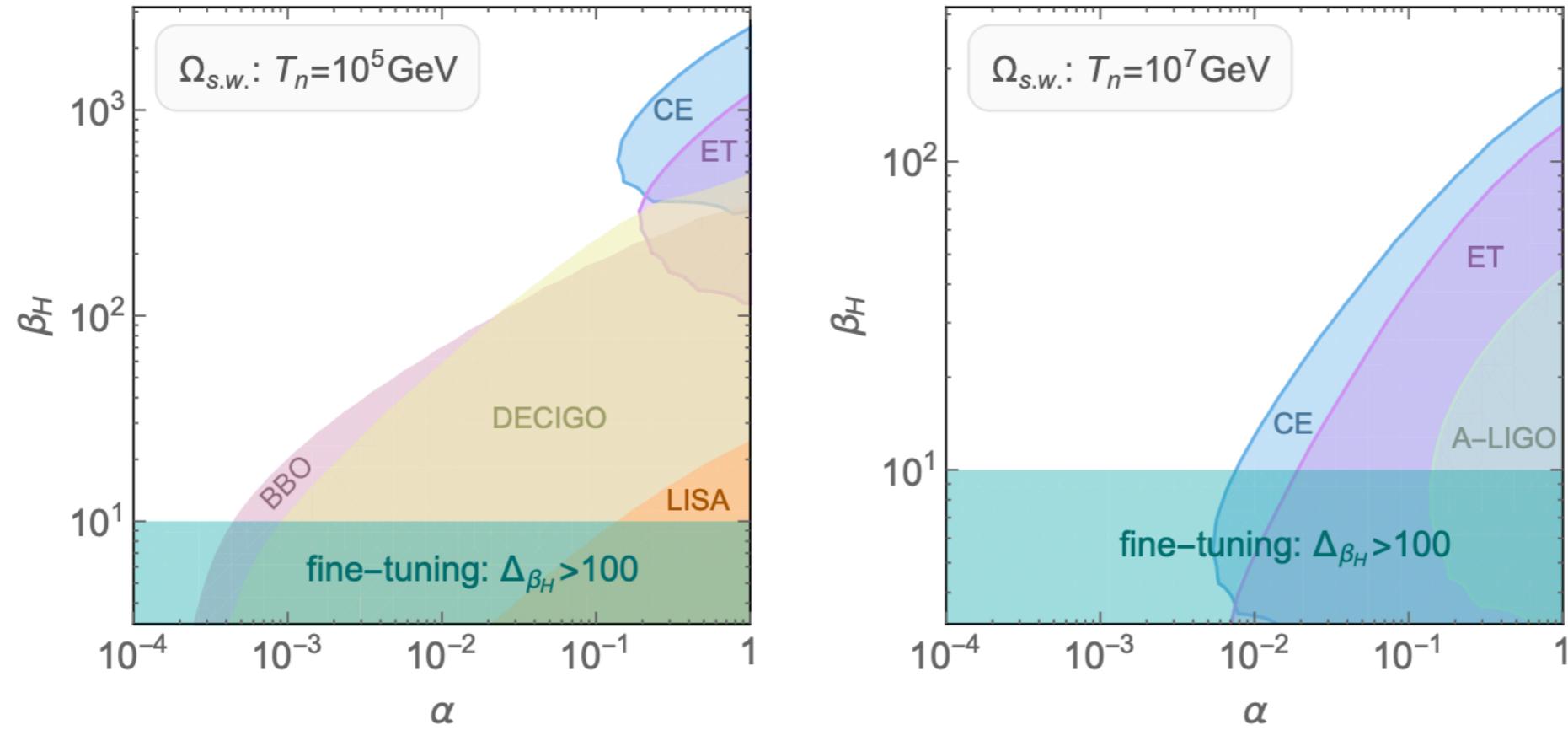
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Having a very small duration seems to be a highly non-generic prediction of any PT

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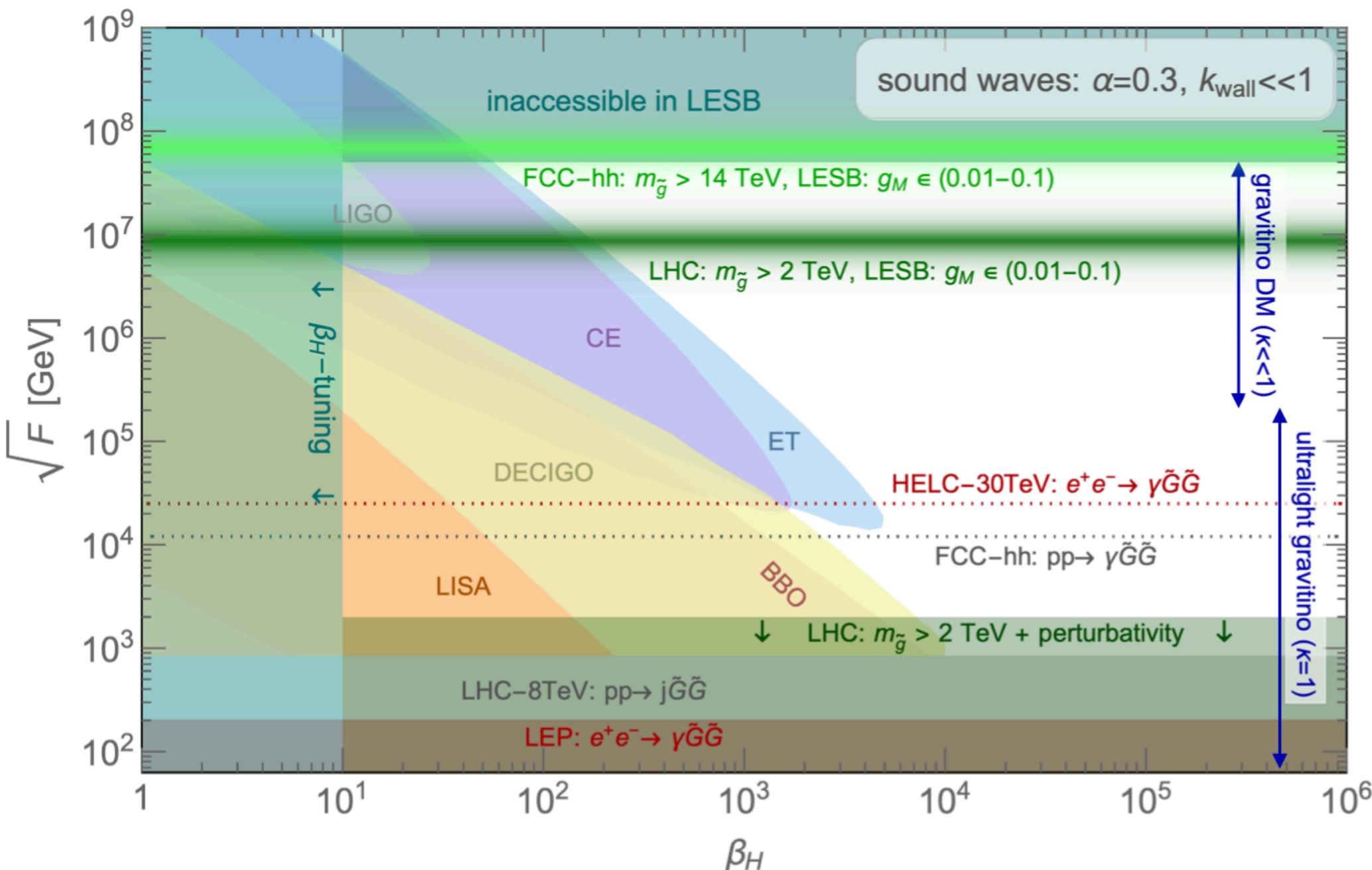
this “beta-tuning” can be computed
in a model a’ la Giudice-Barbieri

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The pseudomodulus PTs we considered have a mass gap

The typical scale affecting the potential is the SUSY-breaking scale F

Because of efficient friction most of the energy goes into the plasma

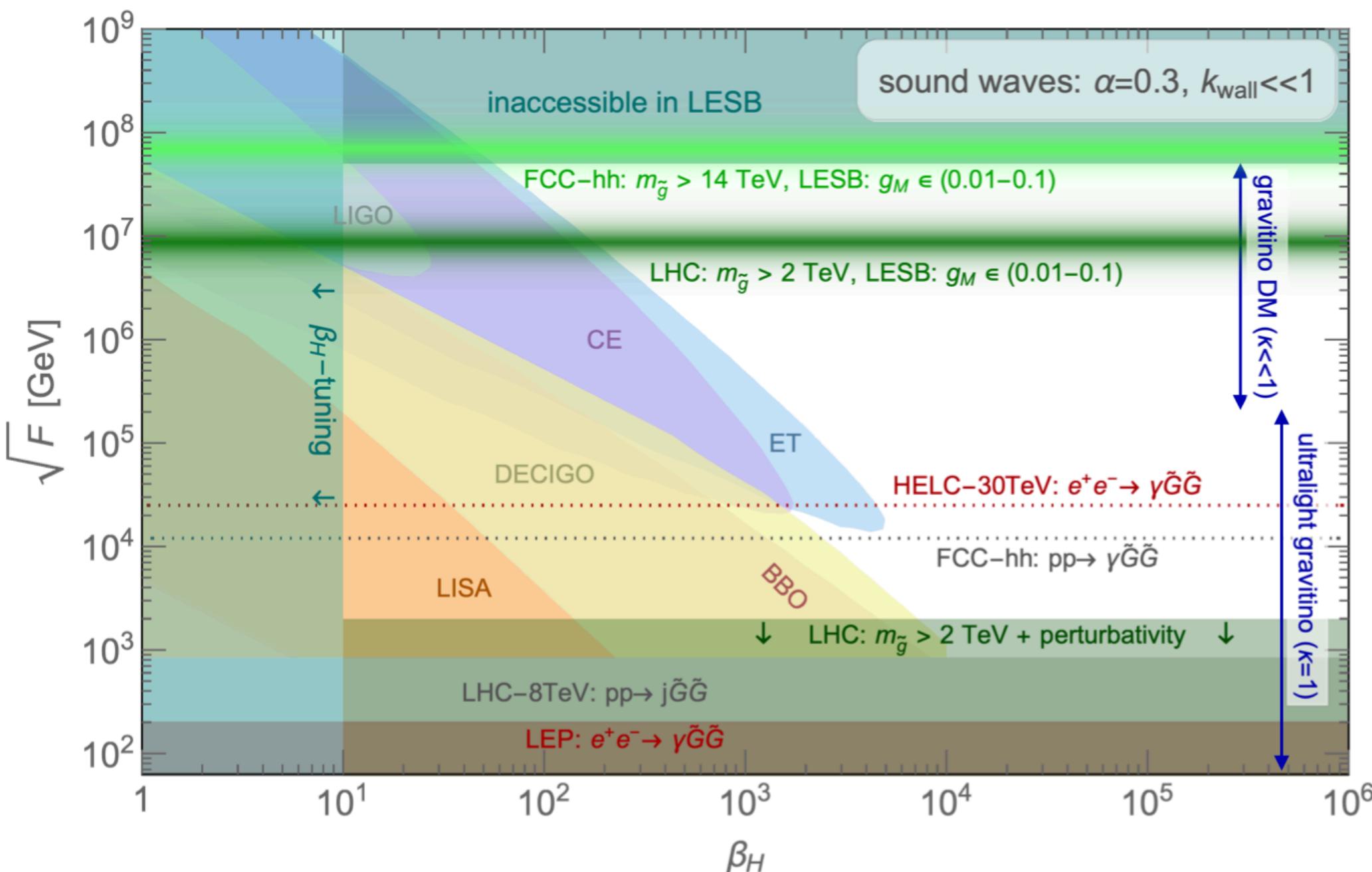


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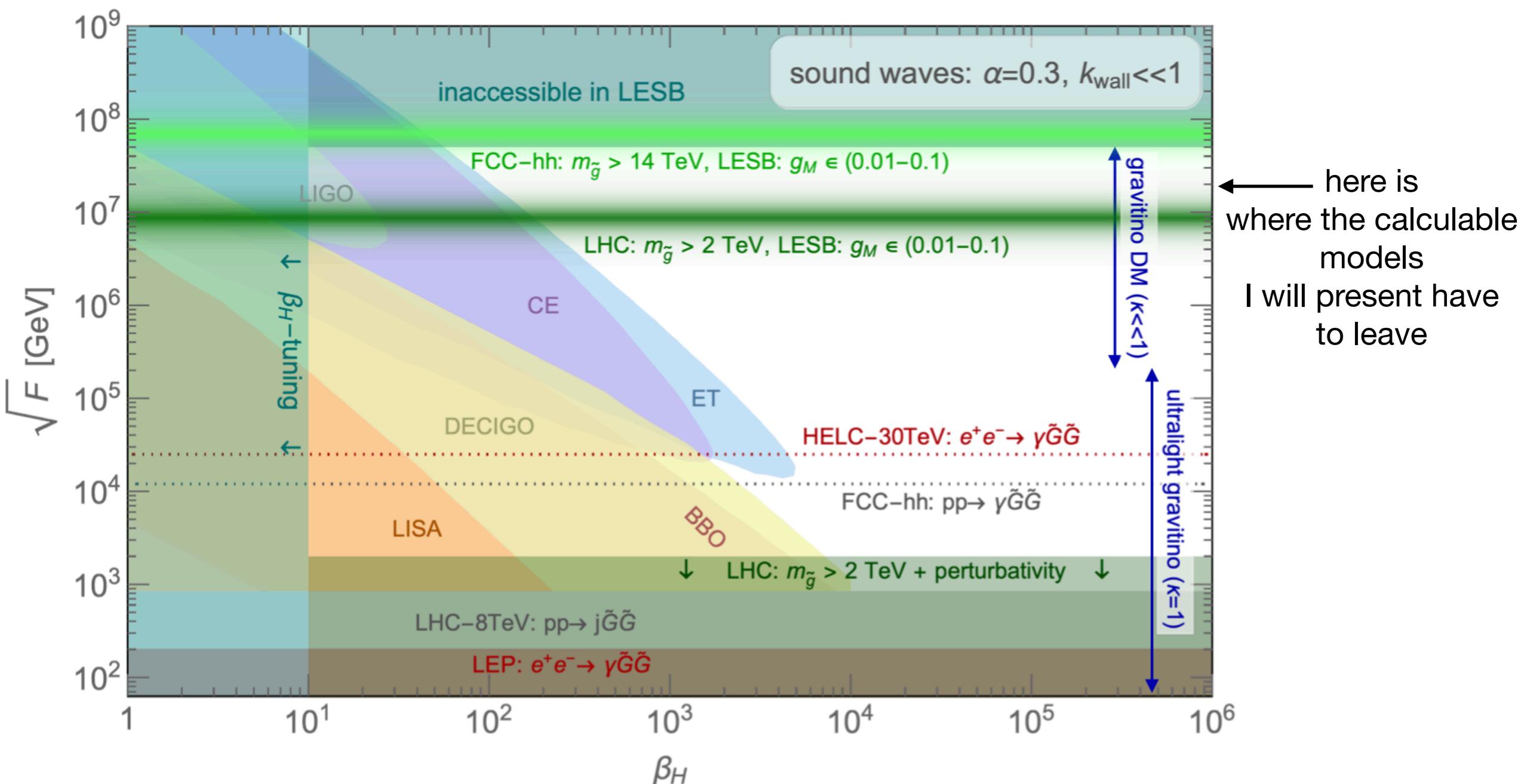


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The nature of the pseudomodulus PT: Goals

- How S_3/T depends qualitatively with temperature?

Higgs $S_3/T \sim T^\alpha$ high-T expansion

dilaton $S_3/T \sim 1/\log m/T$ supercooling

pseudomodulus $S_3/T \sim T^\alpha e^{-m/T}$ low-T expansion

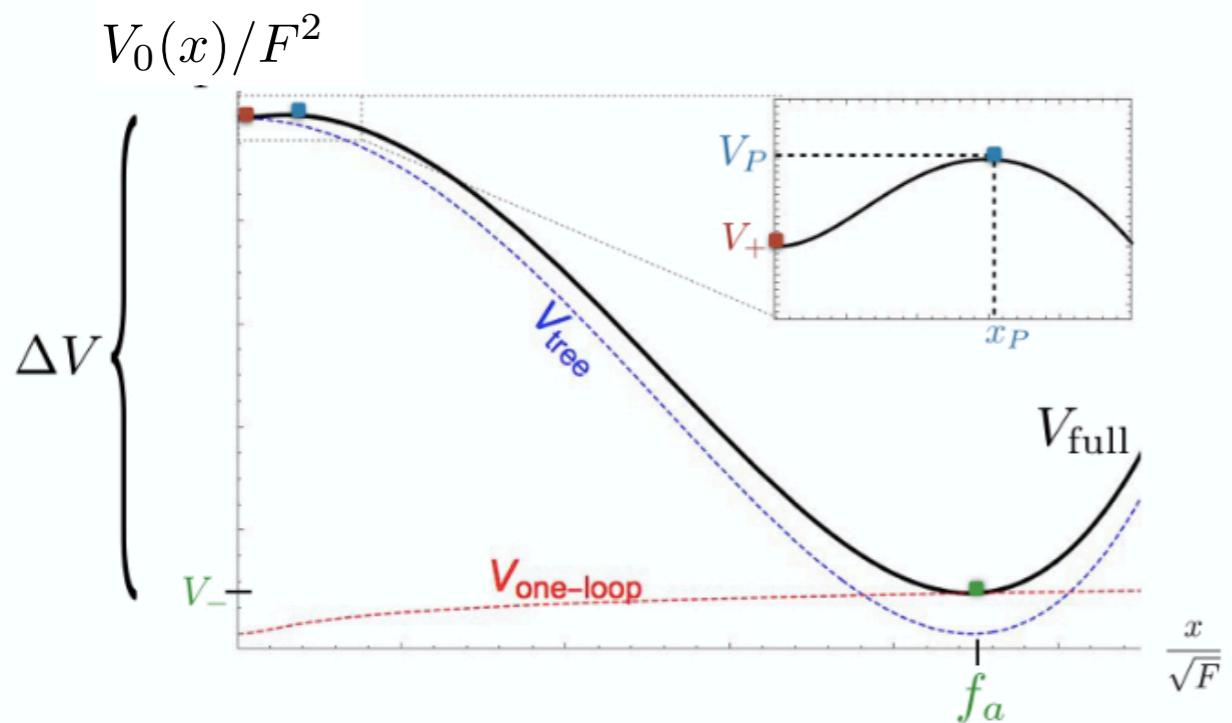
- Can we extract a parametric dependence of S_3/T in terms of theory parameters?

..... trying to answer the question how generic is a strong first order PT
for a given class of models

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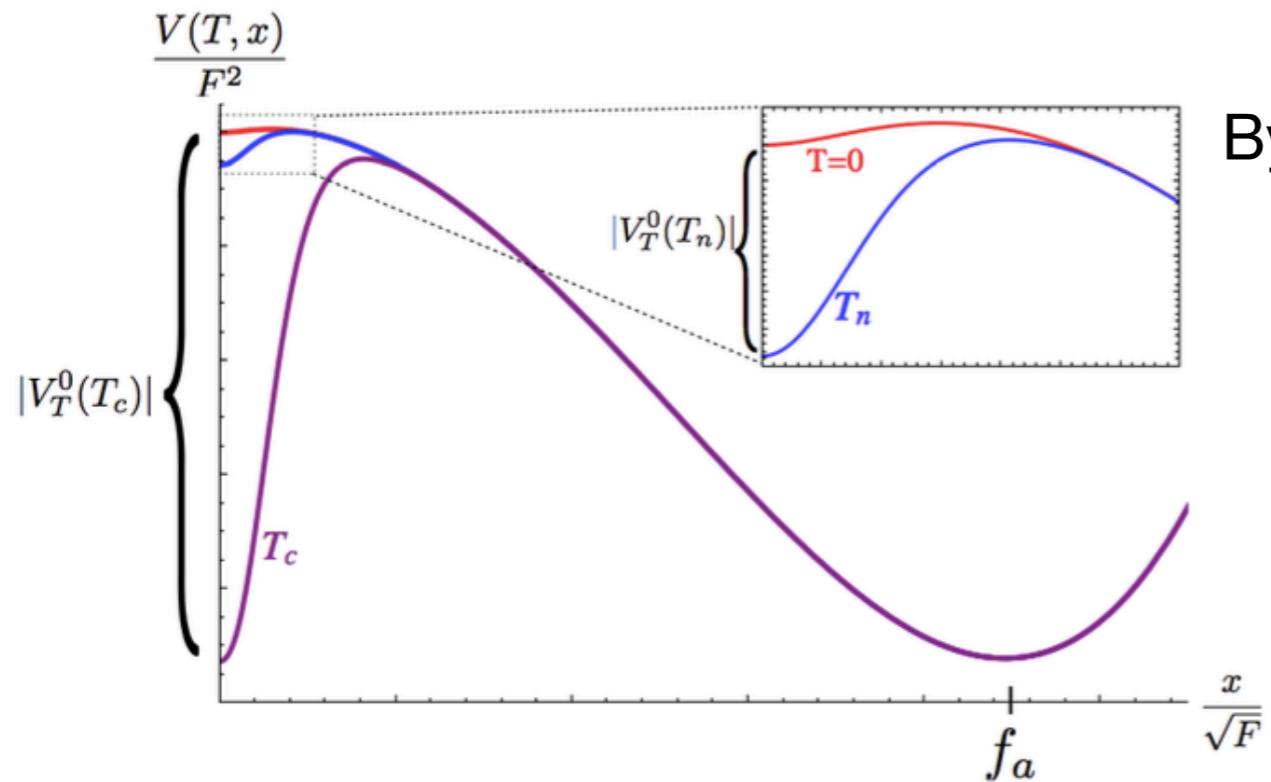


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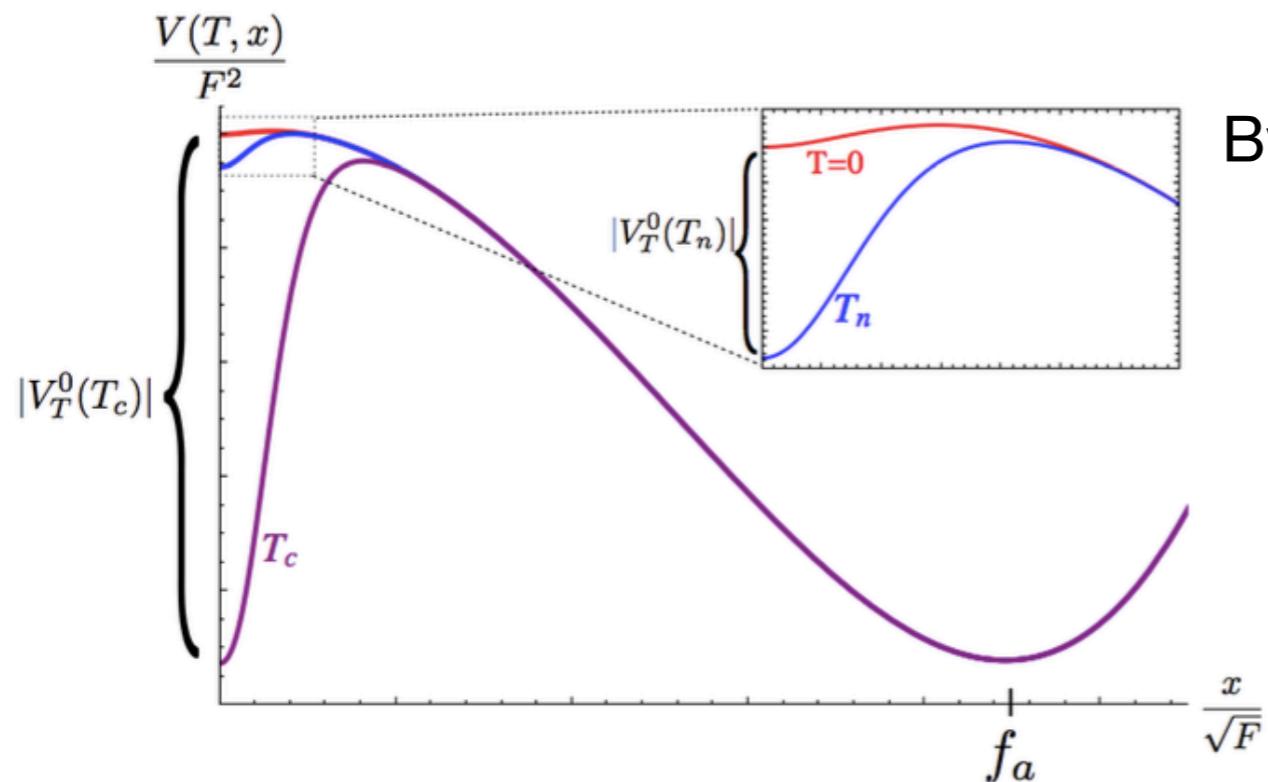
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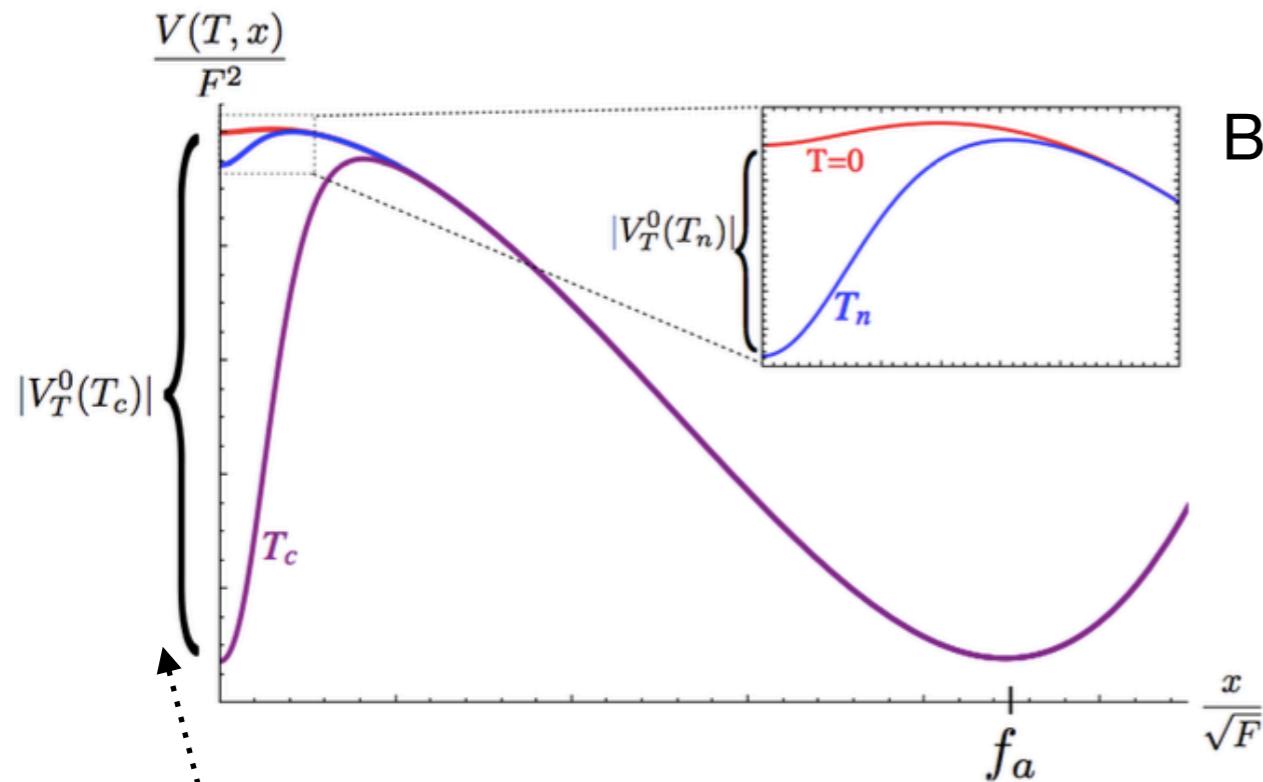
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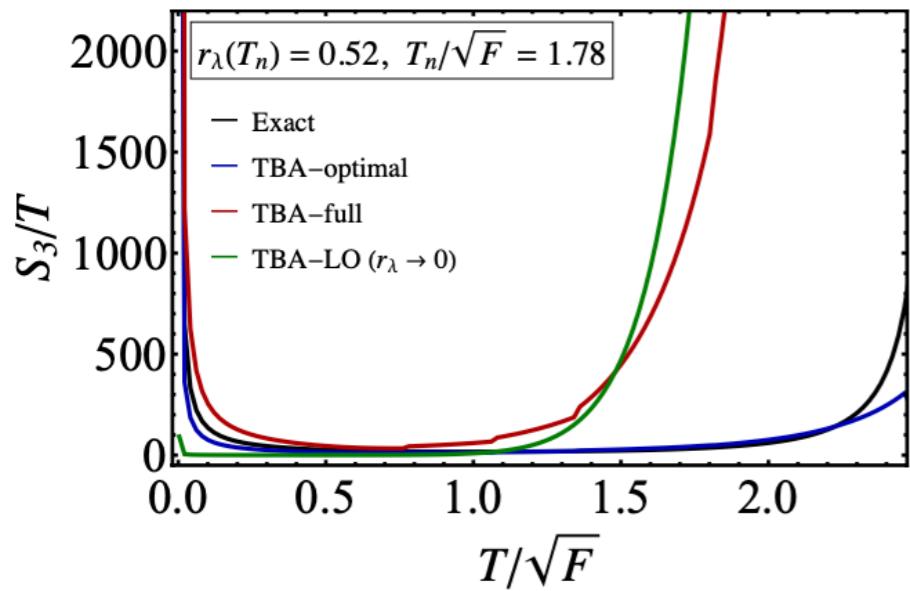
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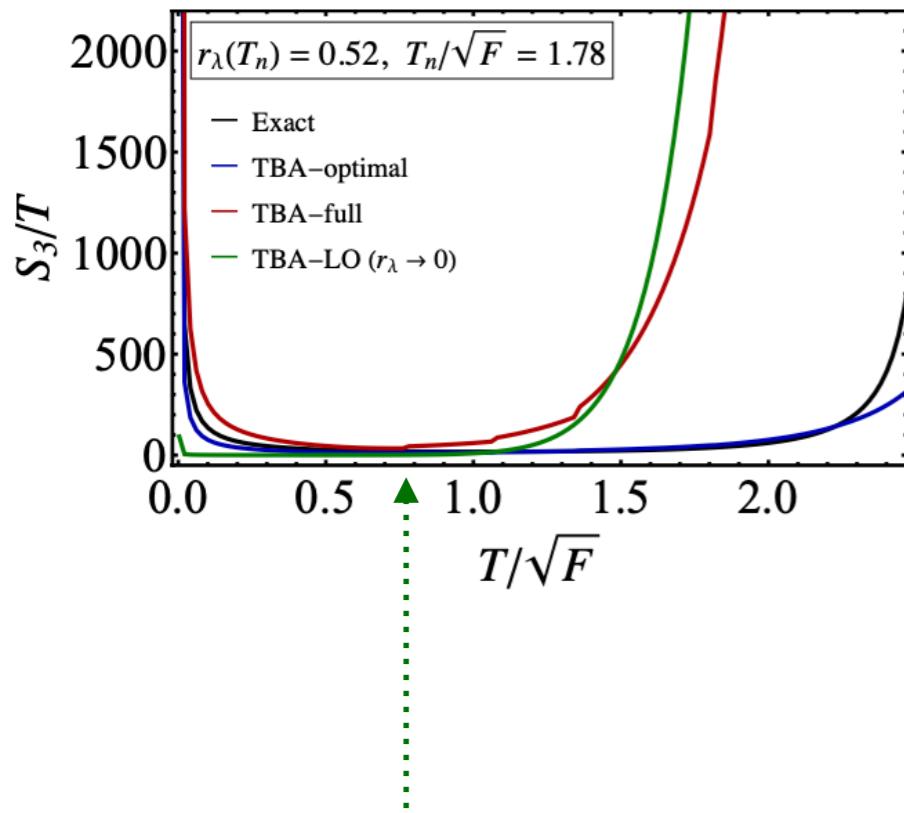
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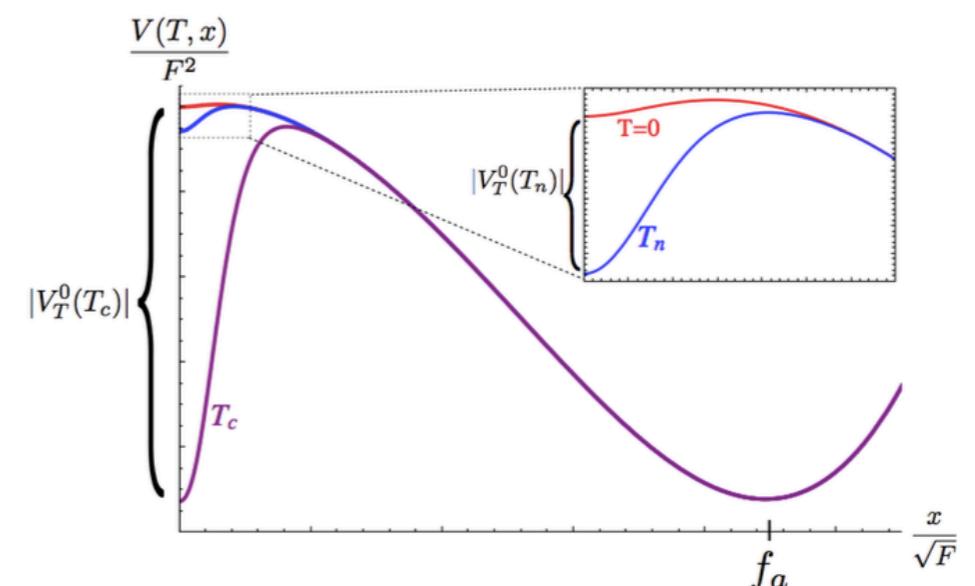
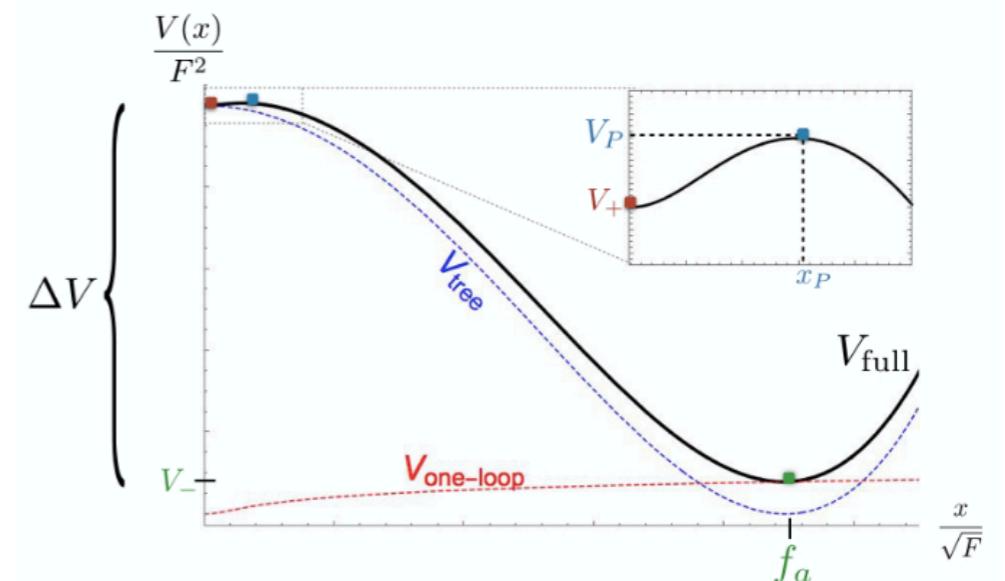
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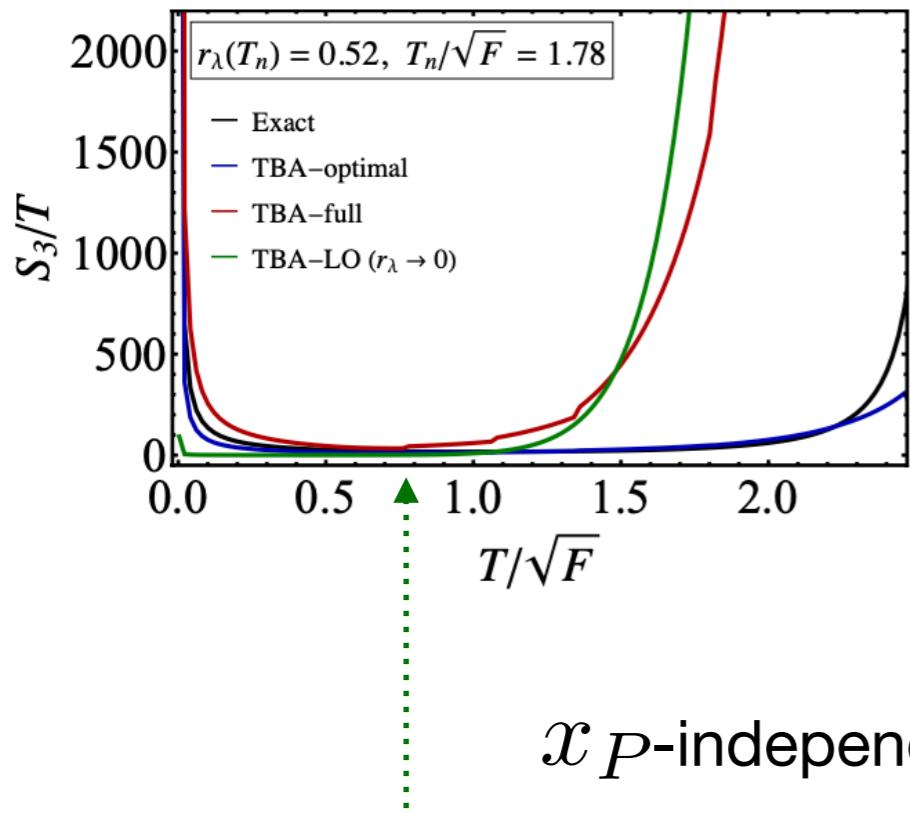
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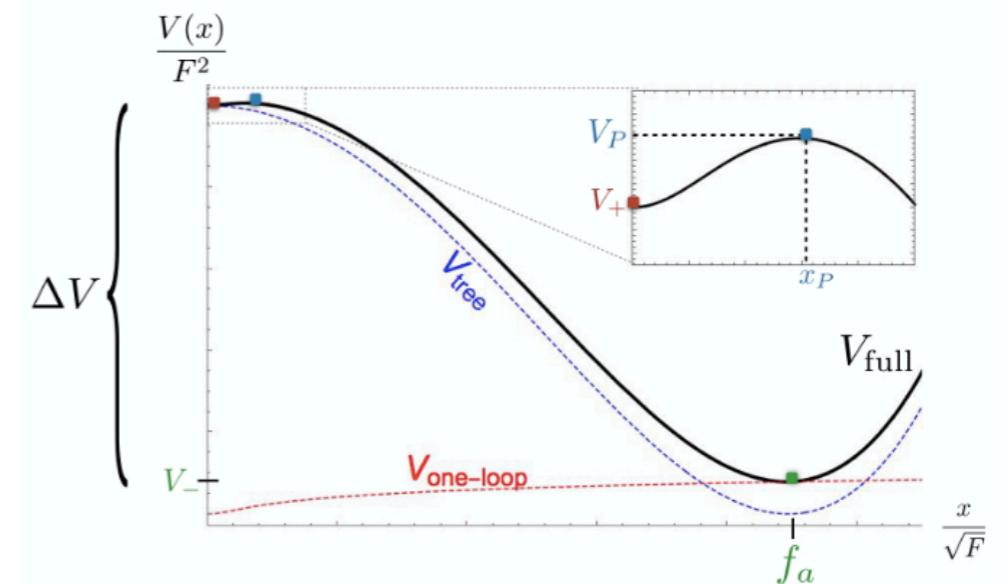
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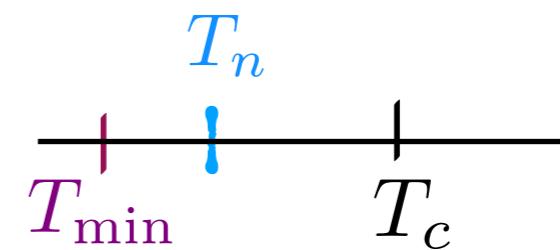
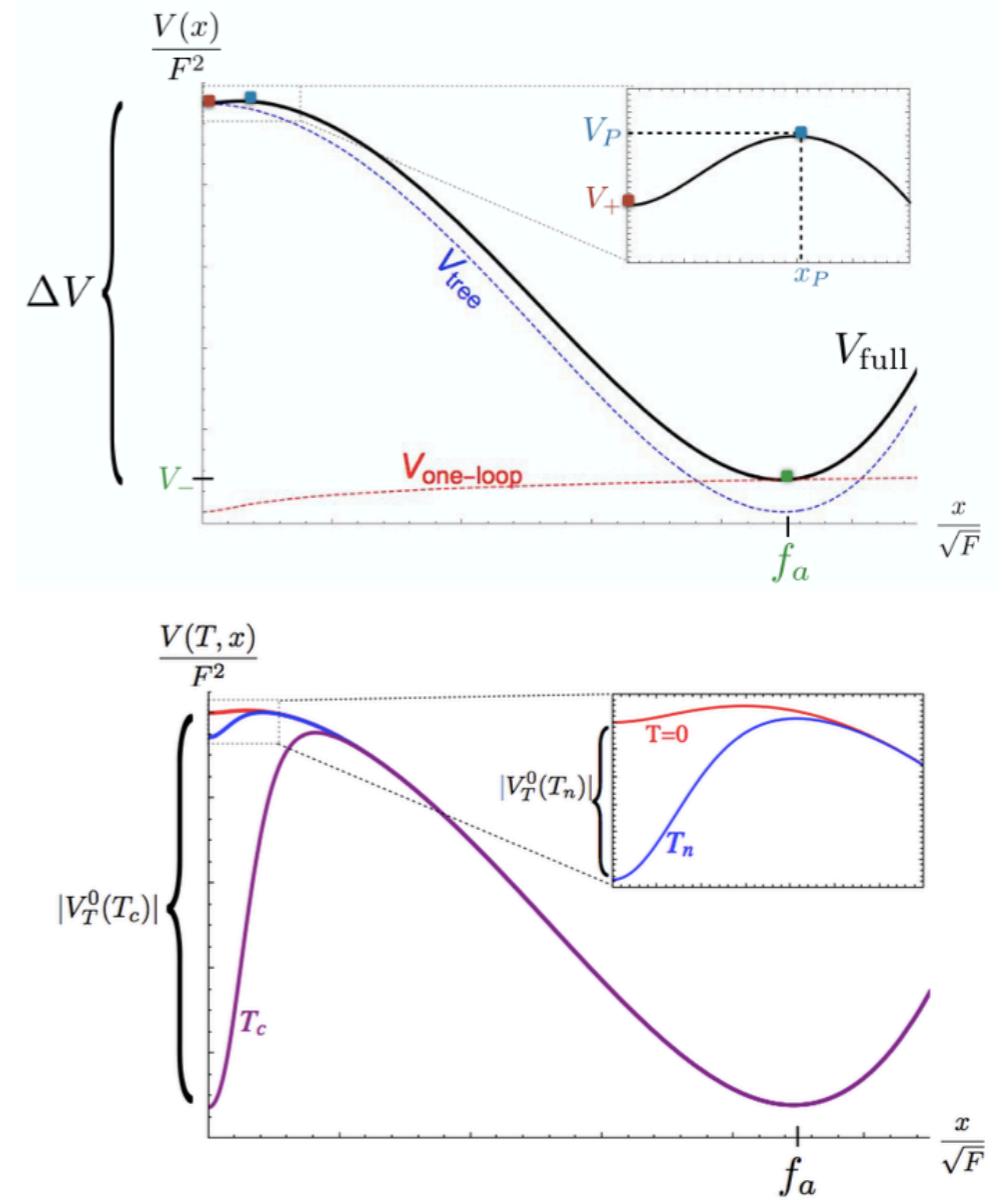
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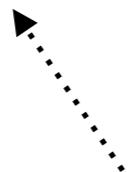
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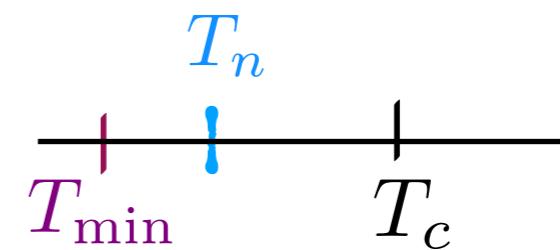
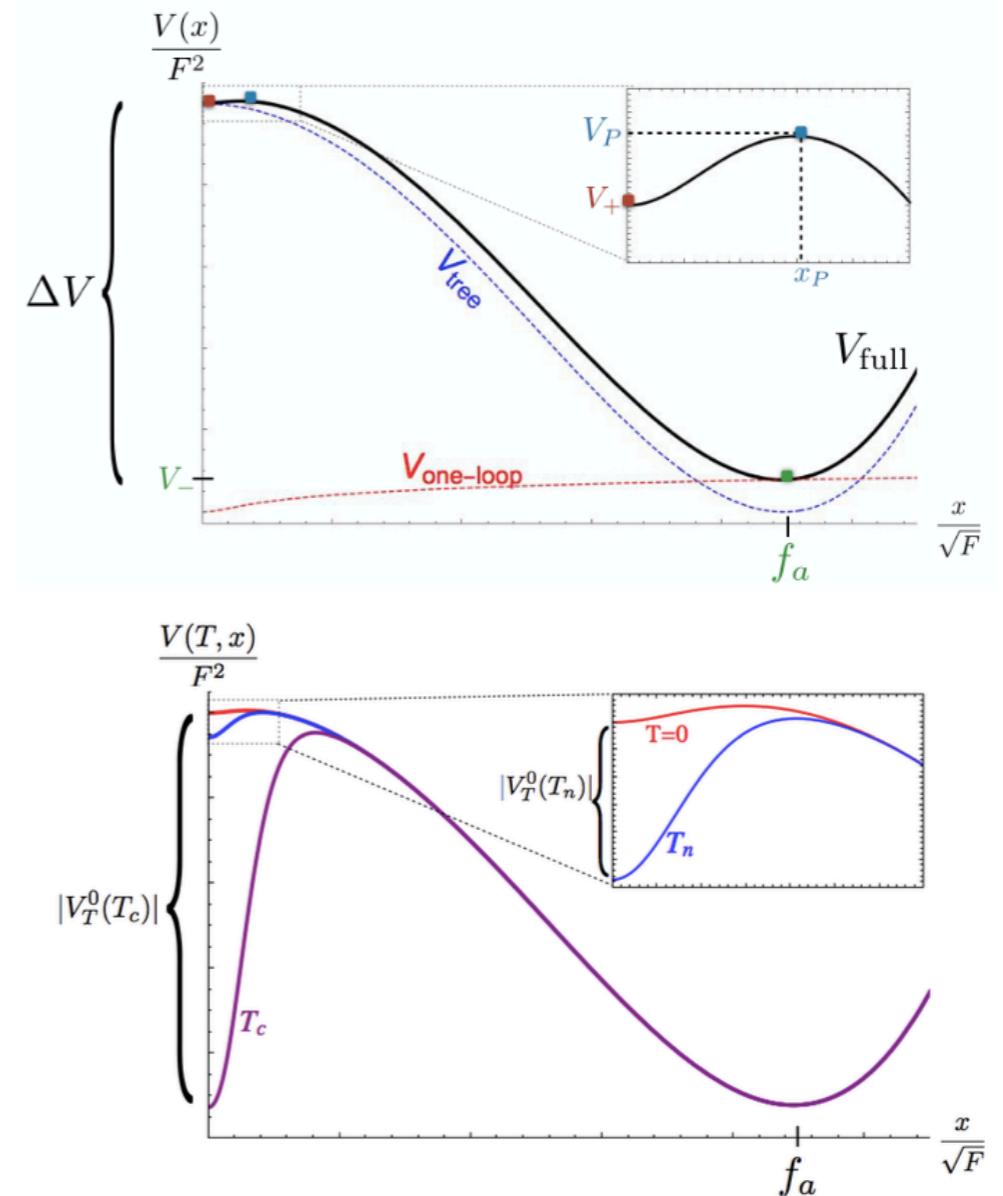
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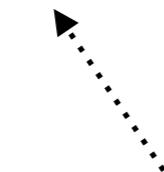
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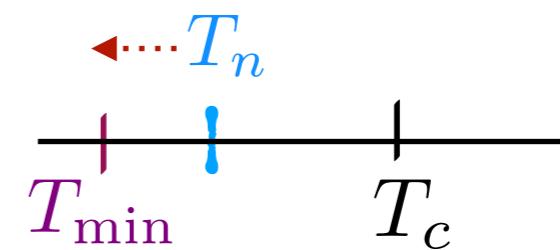
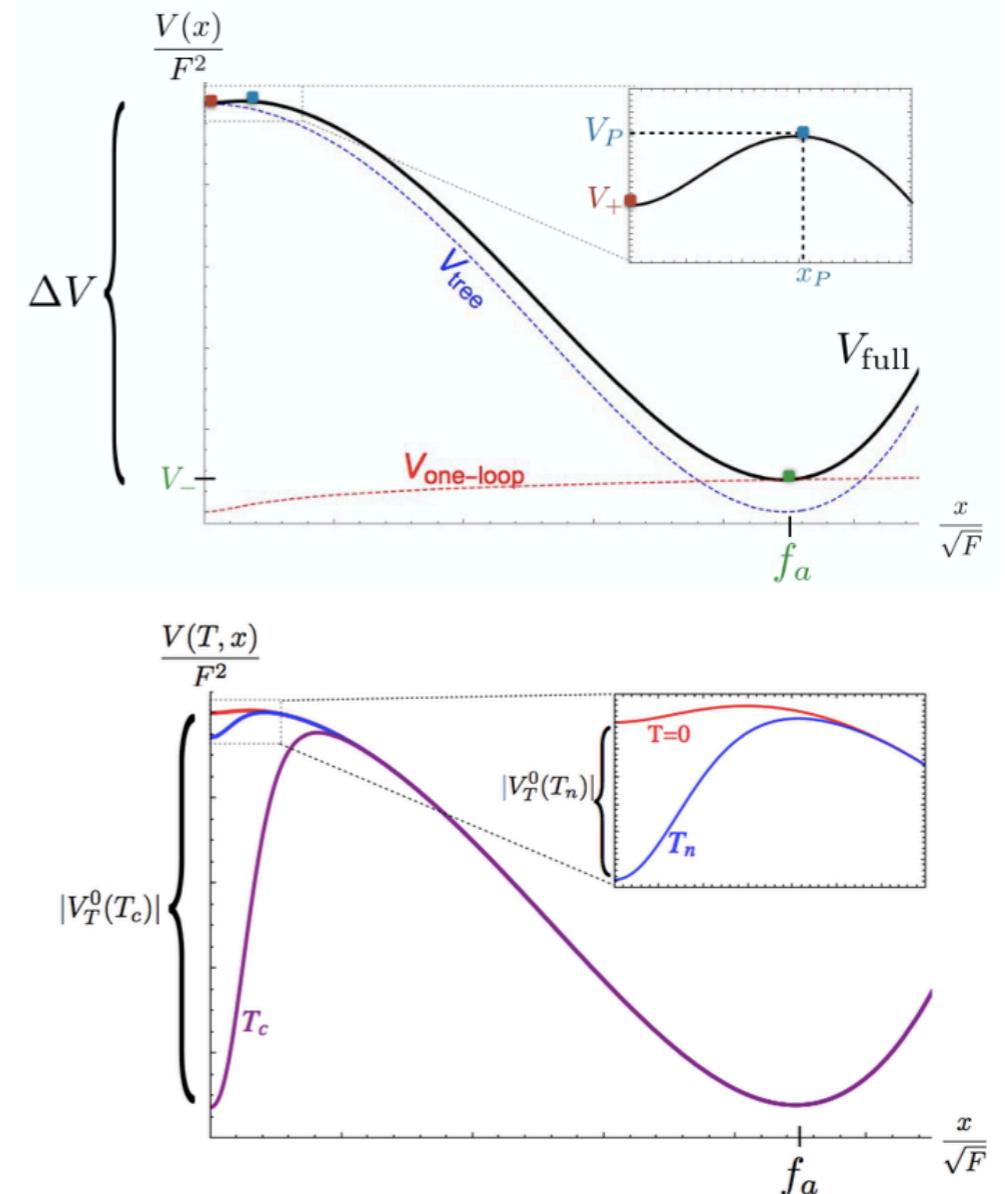
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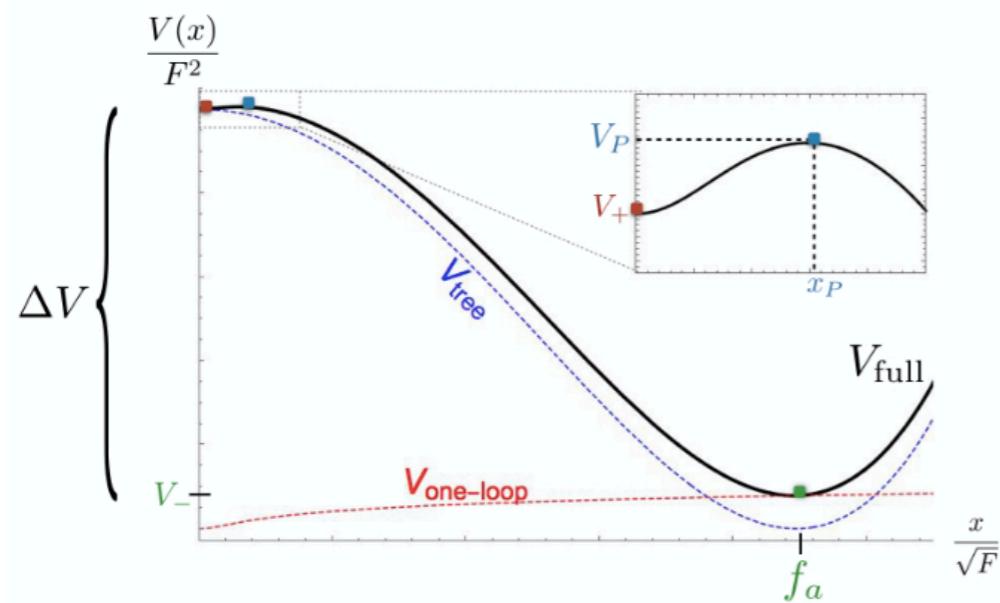
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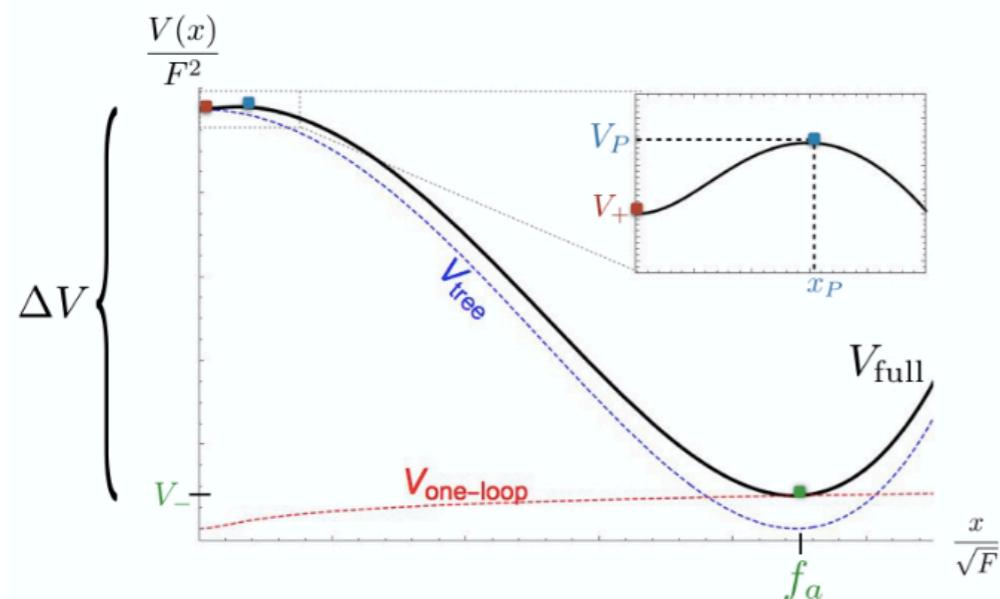
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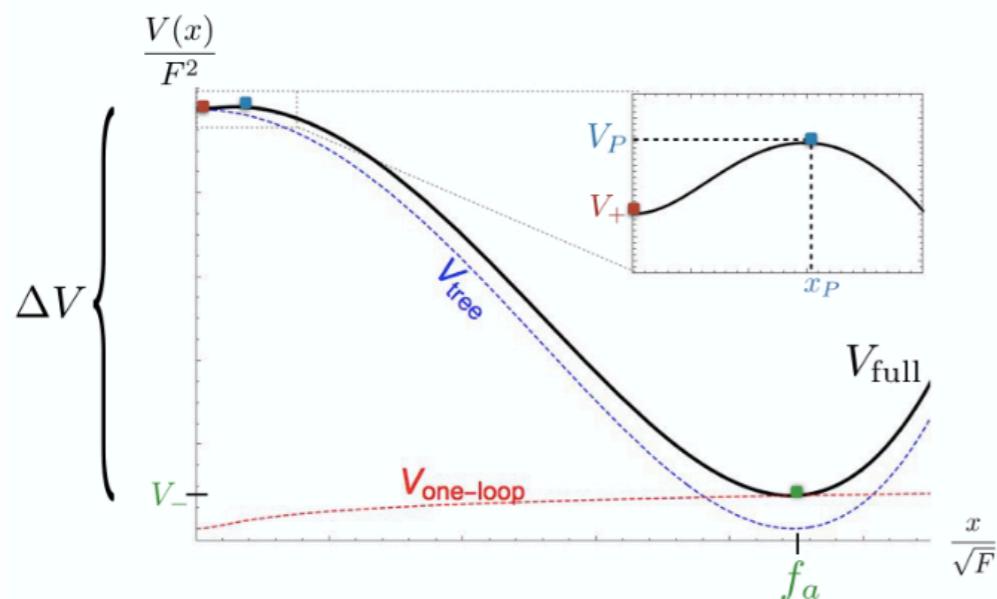
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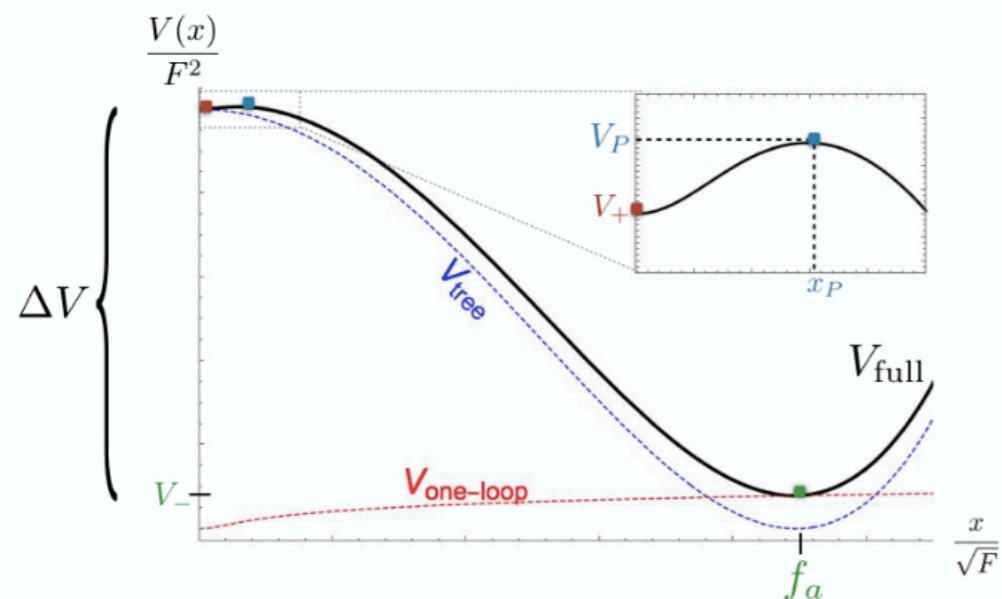
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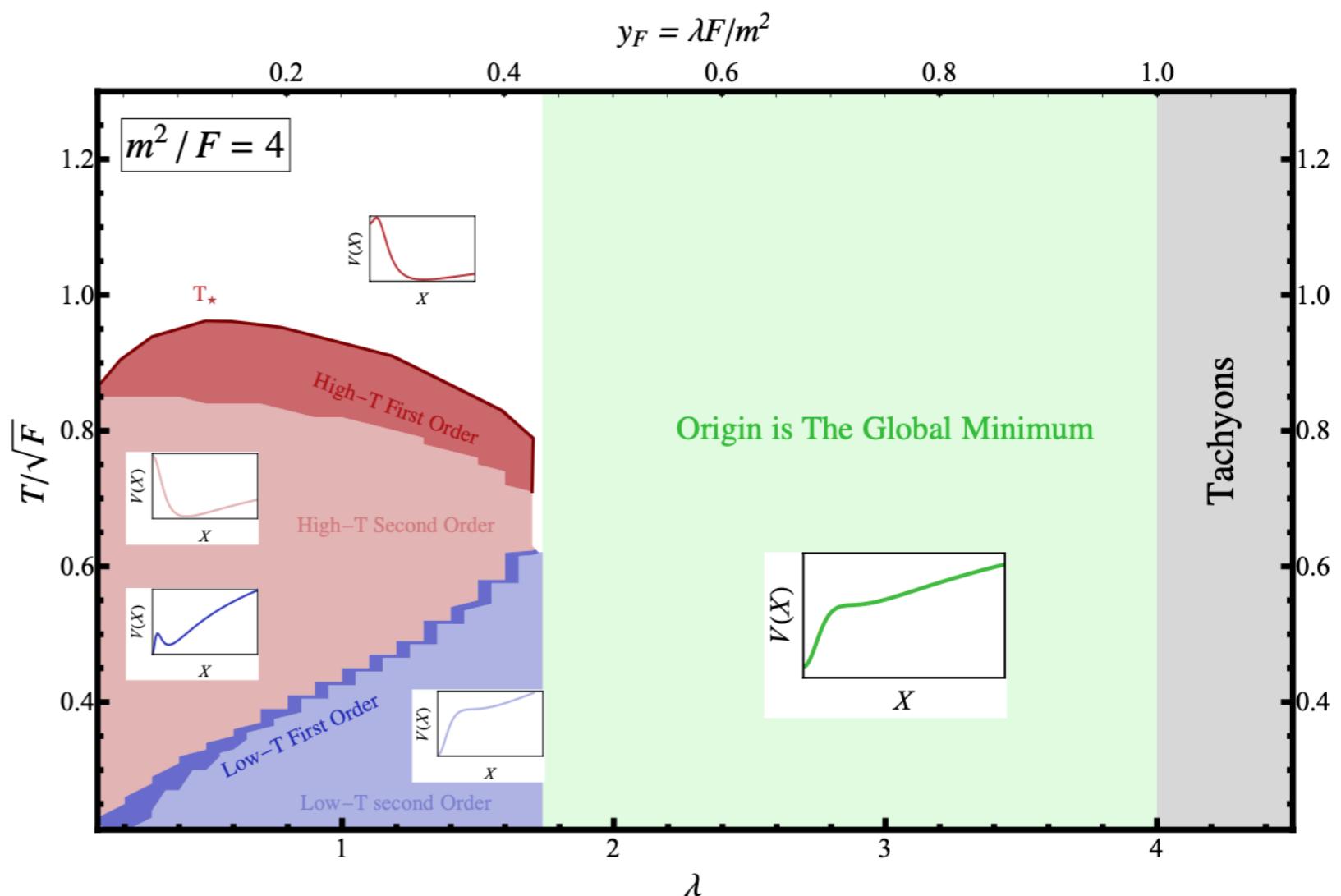
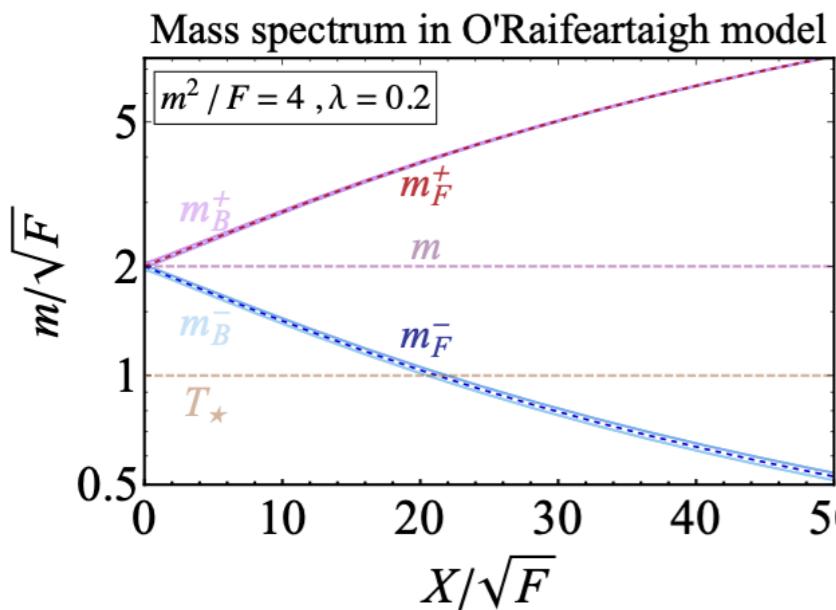


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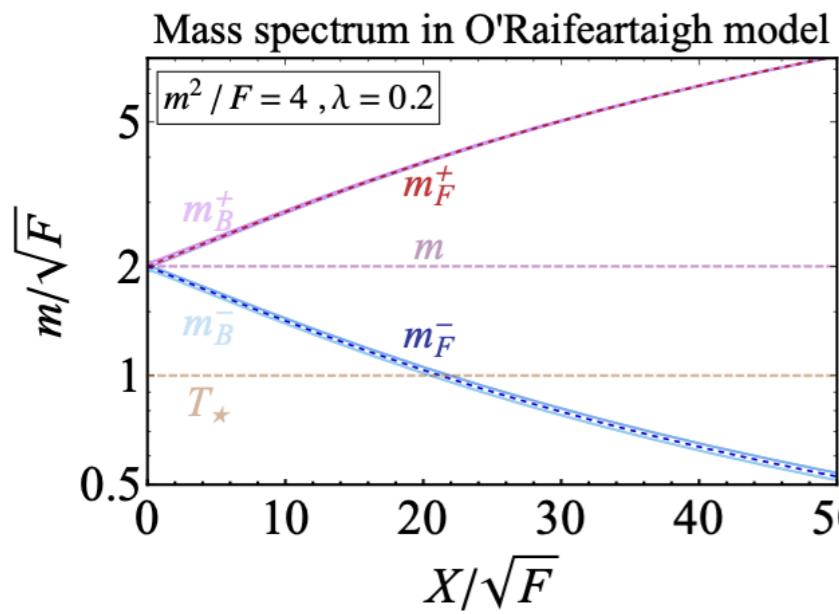


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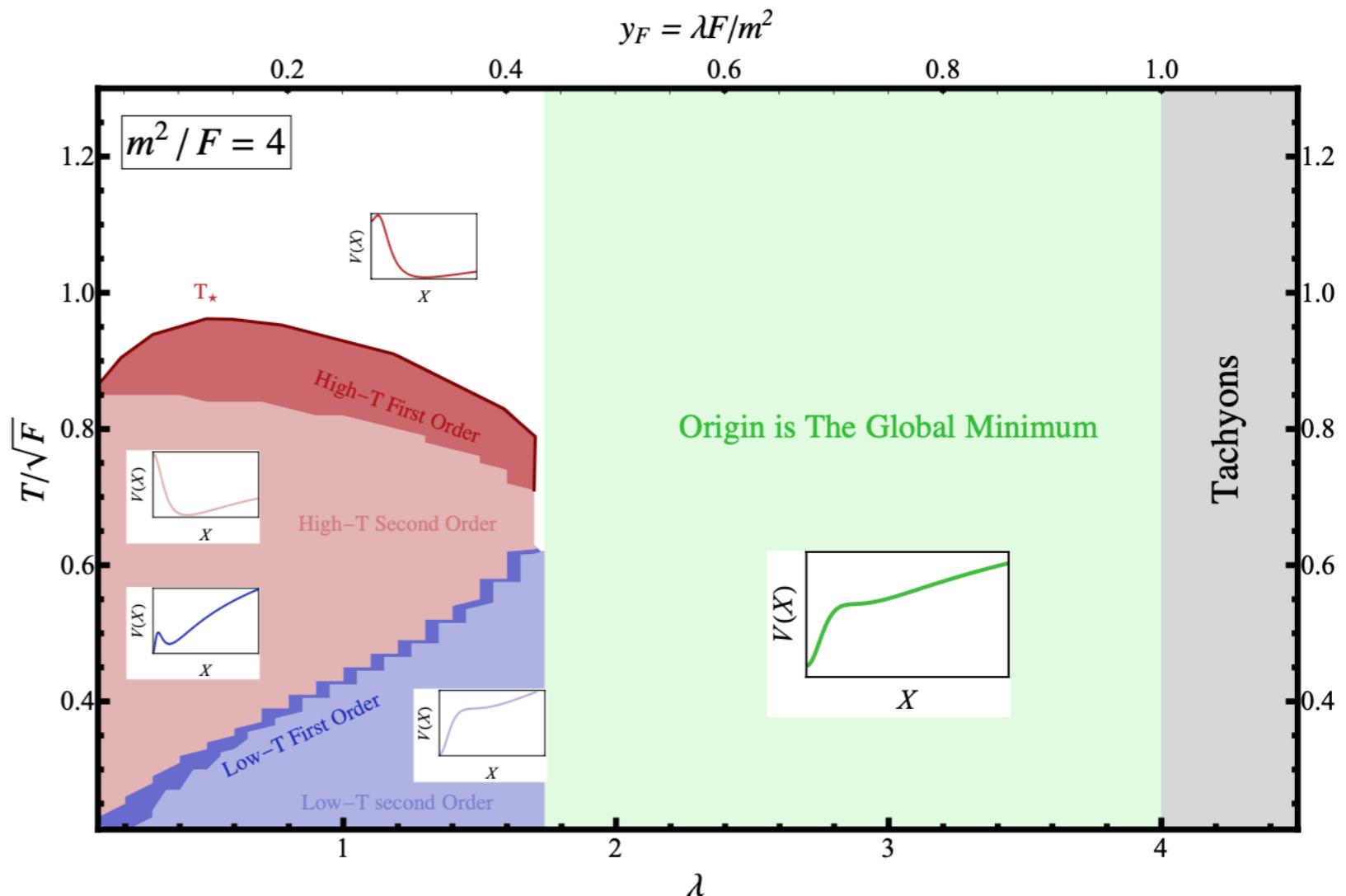
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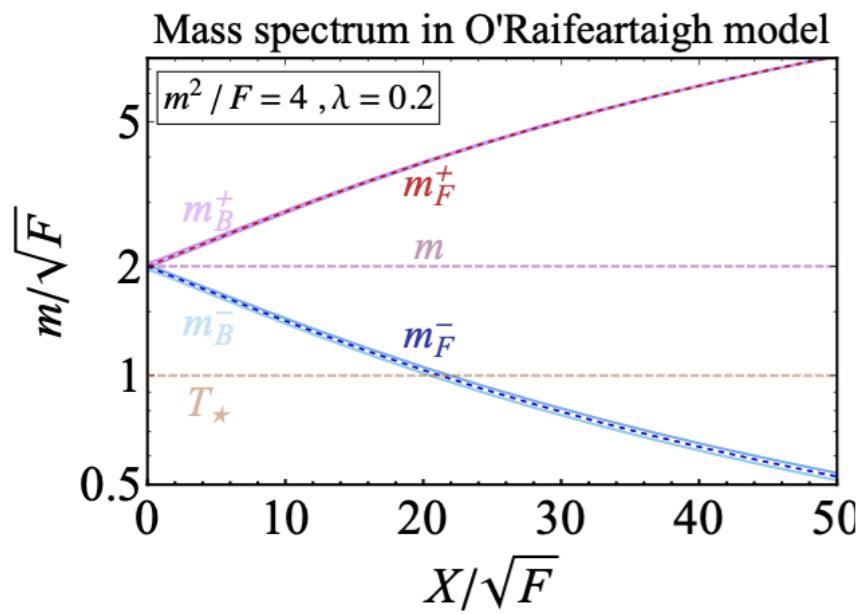


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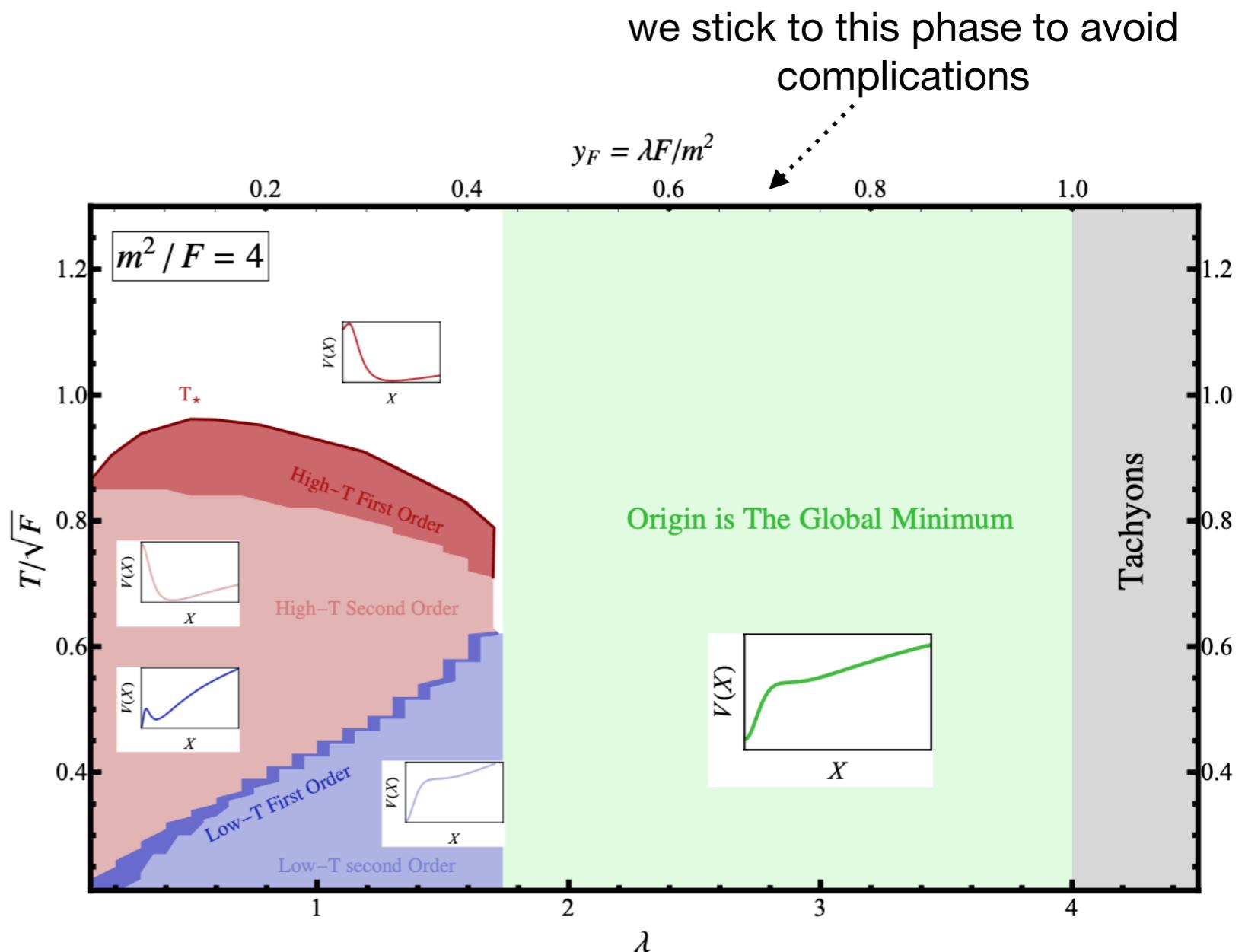
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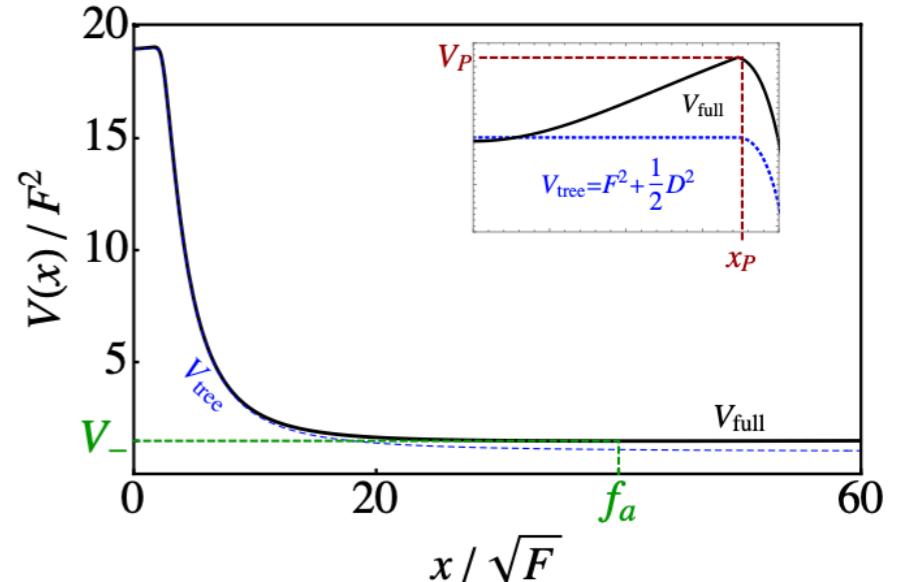
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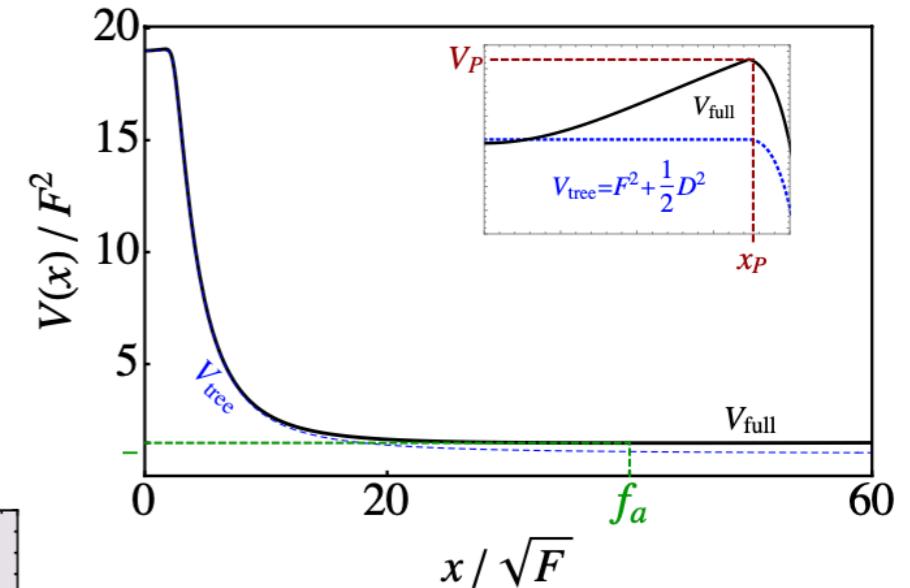
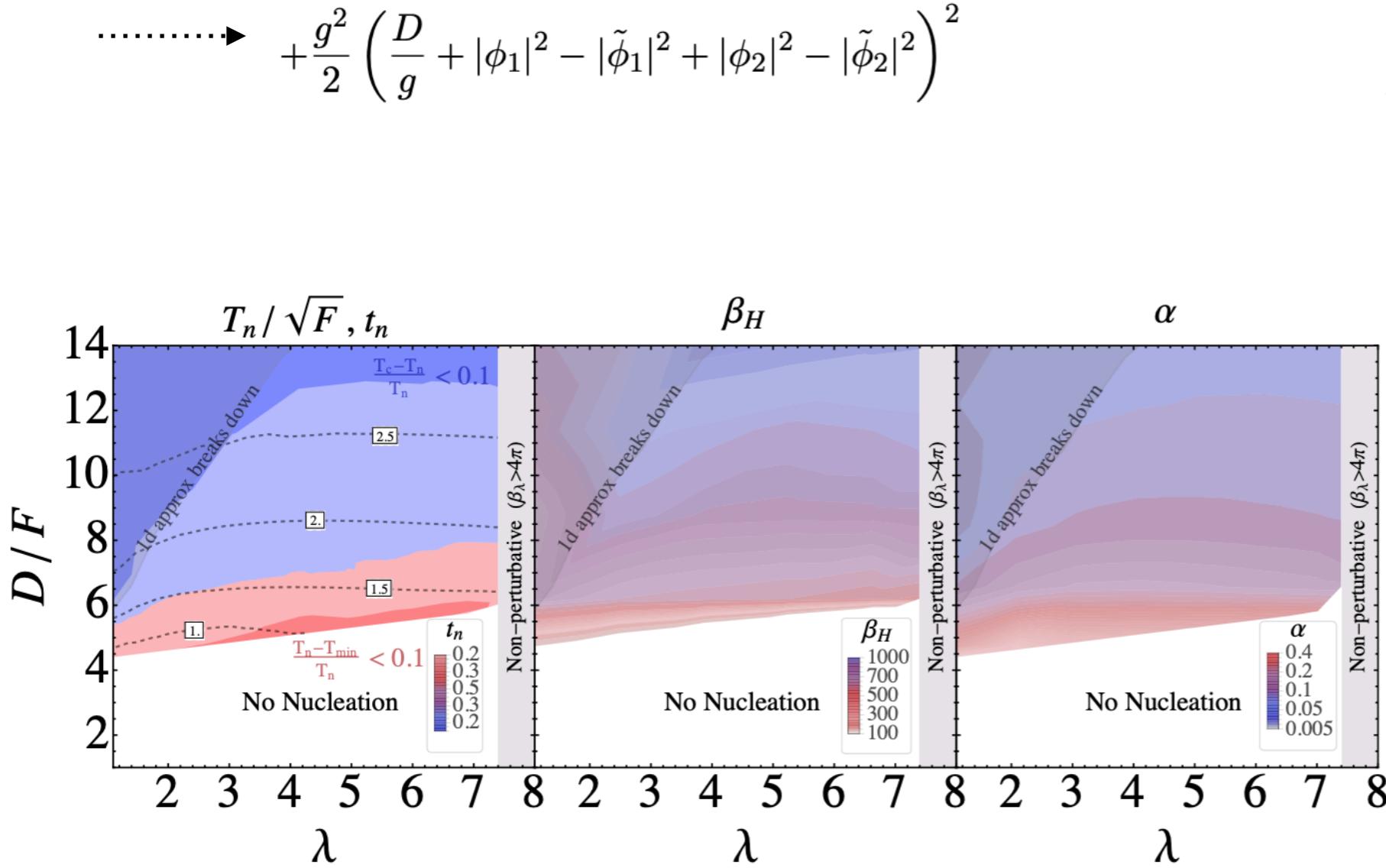
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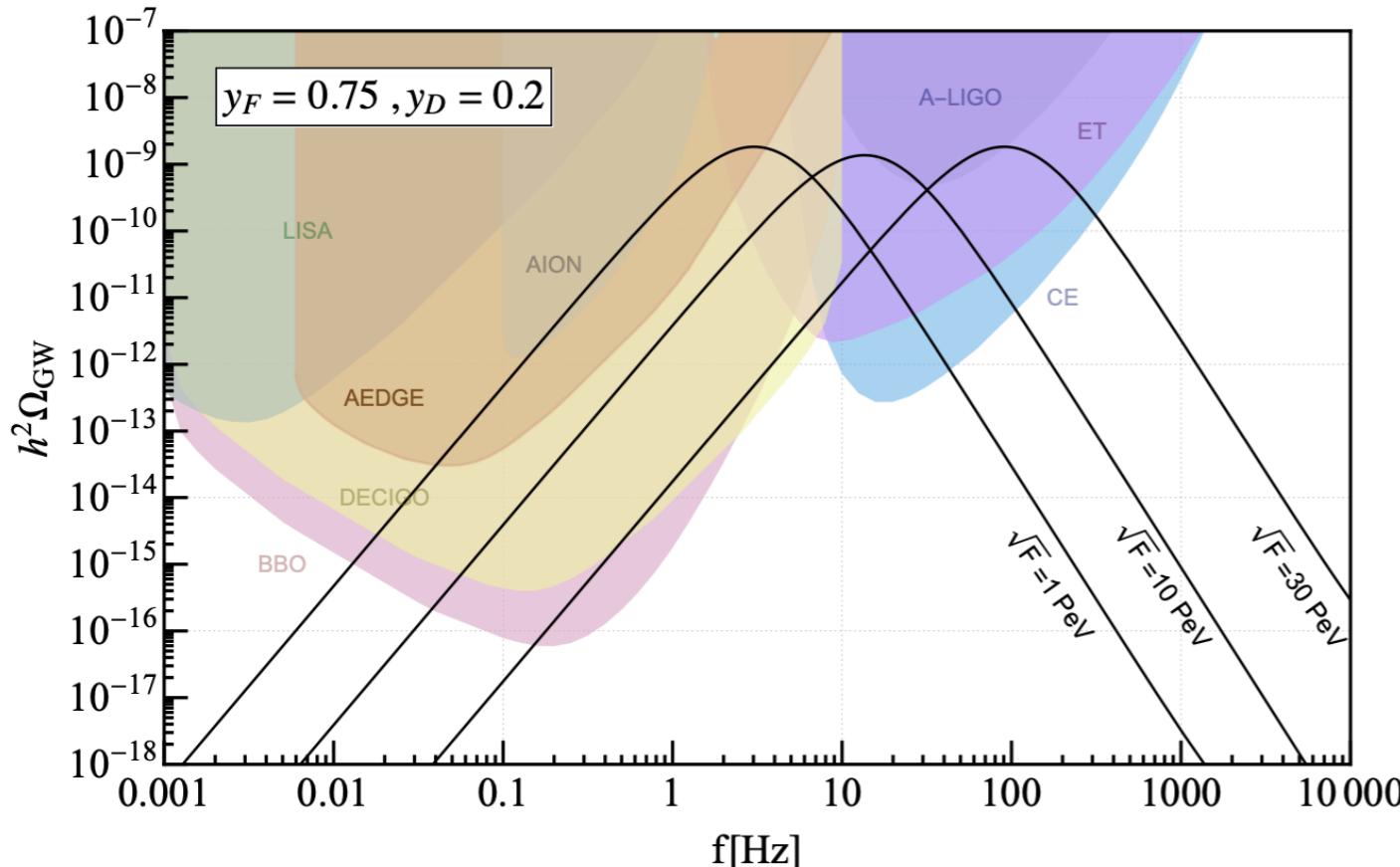
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Prediction for GWs



Prediction for the superpartner spectrum

$$SU(6)/U(1)_D \supset SU(5) \quad \text{and messengers in the } 5 + \bar{5}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{mess}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\lambda f_a}{\sqrt{2}} & m \\ m & 0 \end{pmatrix}^*$$

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* gaugino screening is unavoidable
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How we will discover SUSY?

Future colliders can possibly nail unnatural SUSY scenarios

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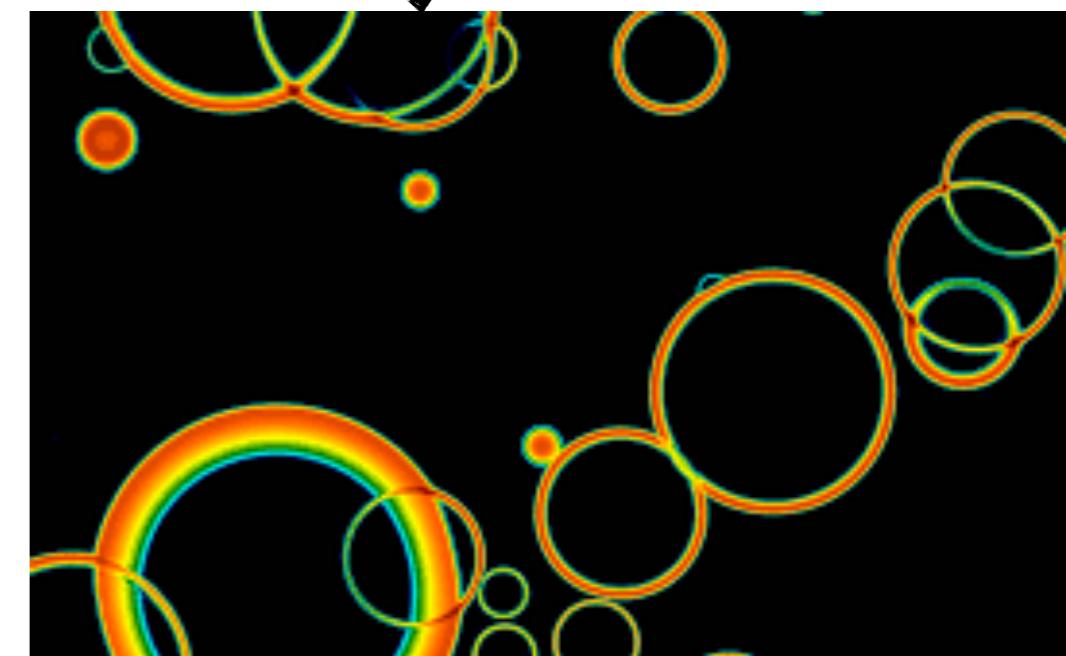
Which QFTs give rise to Gravitational Waves?

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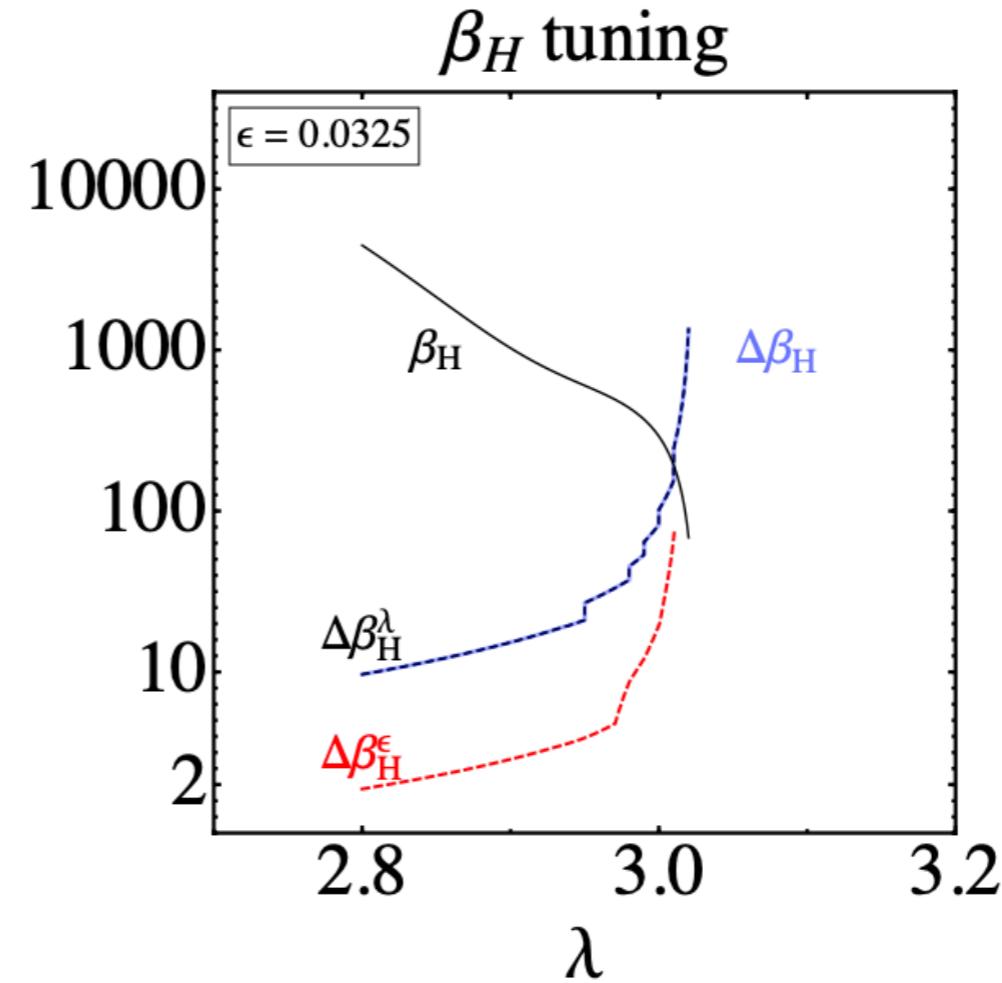
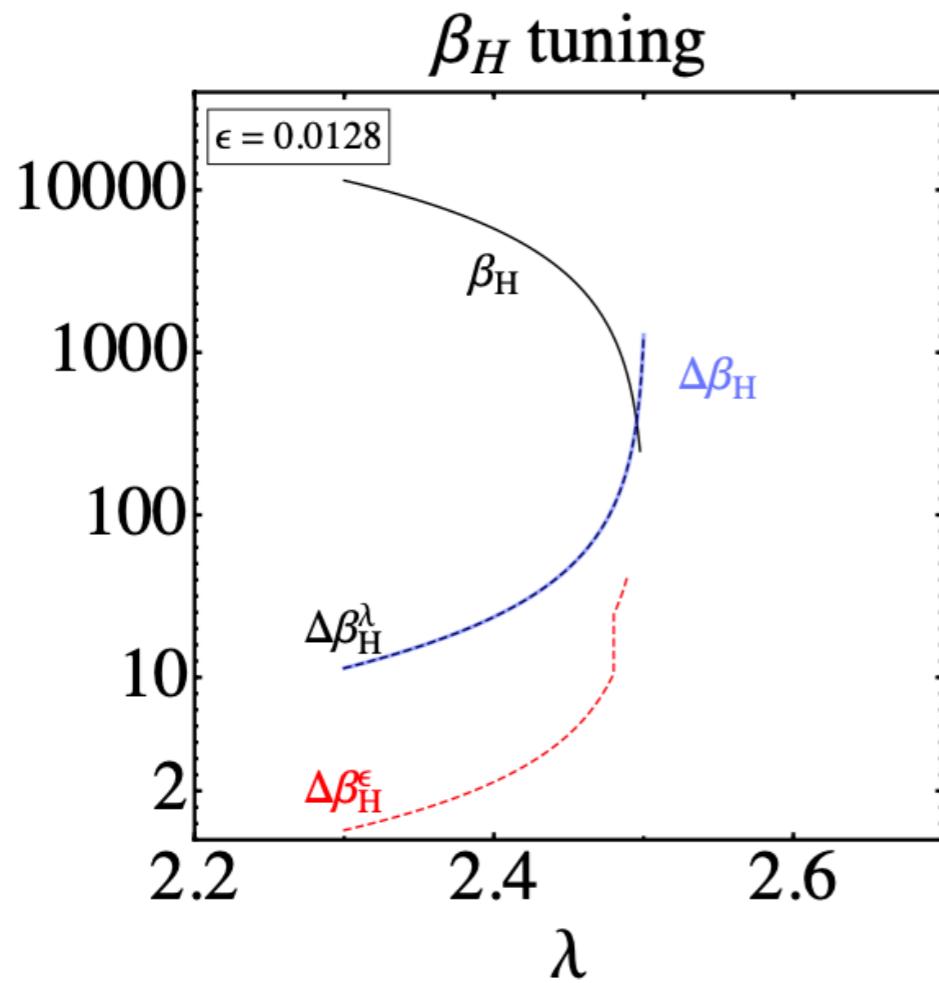
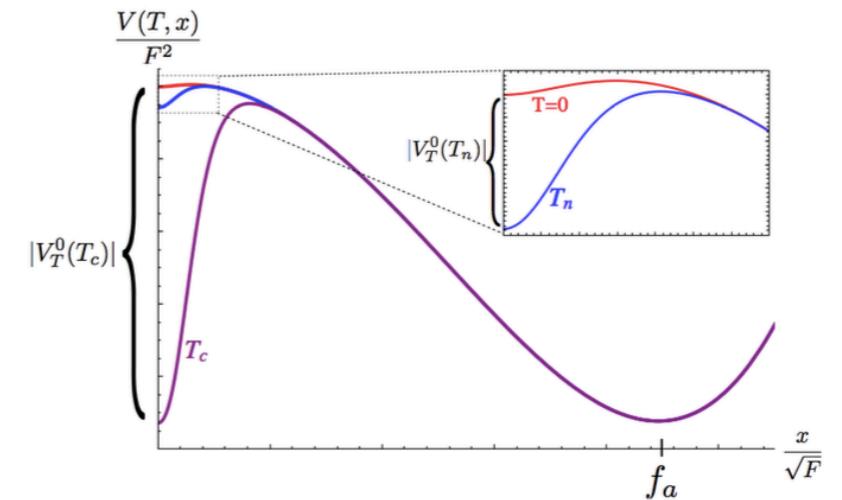


Model building extras

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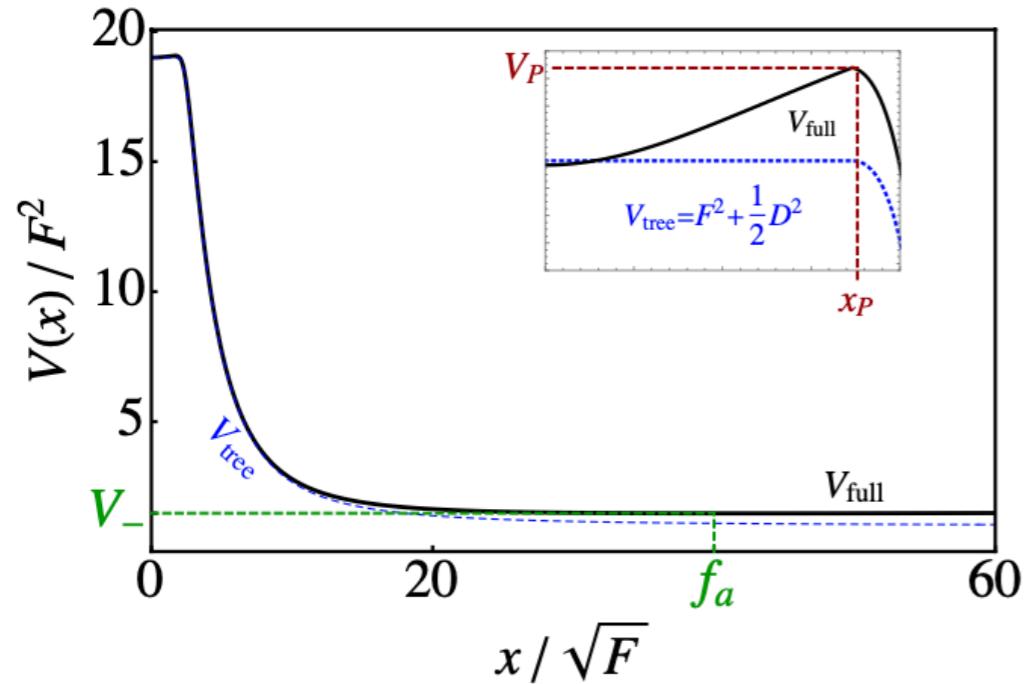
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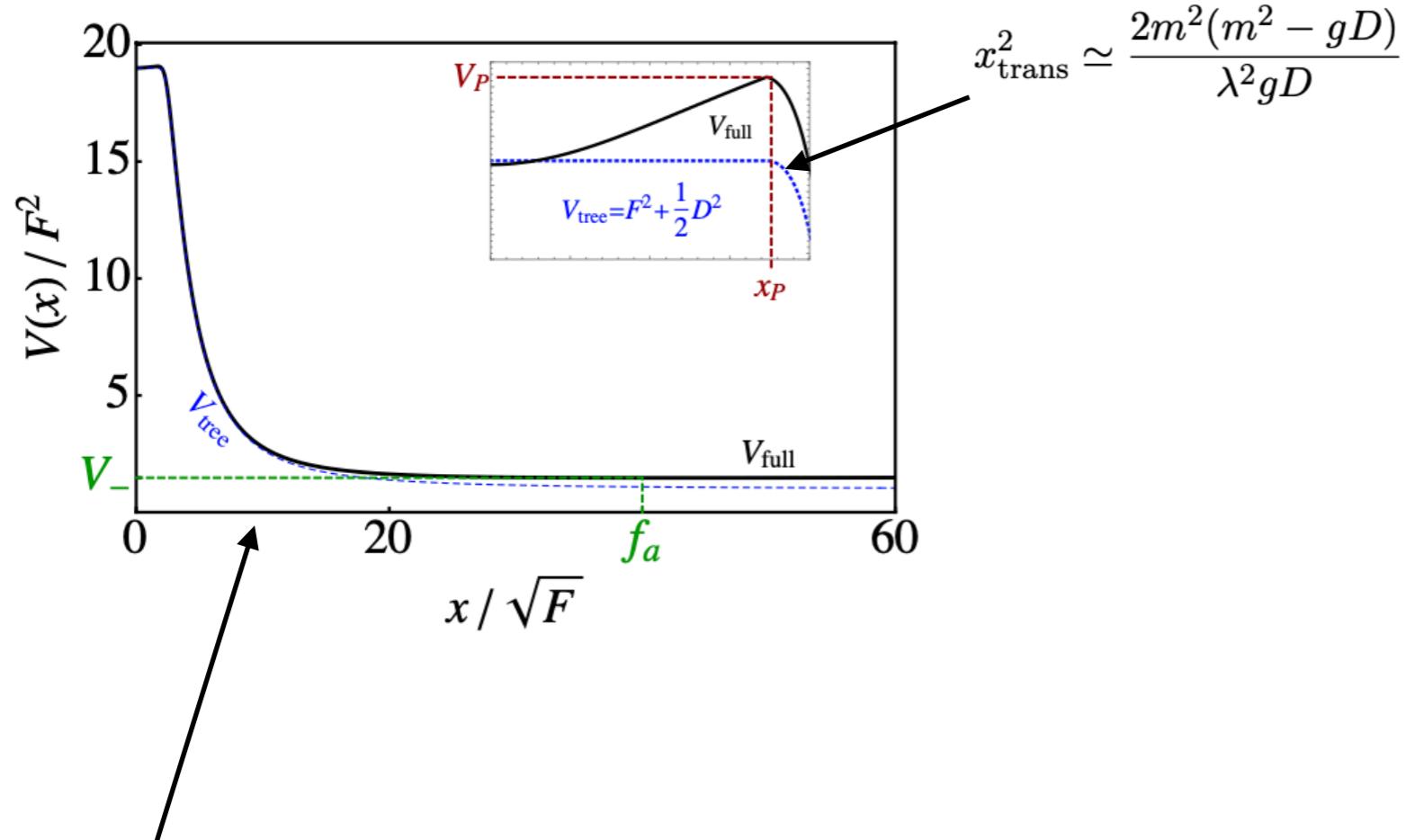


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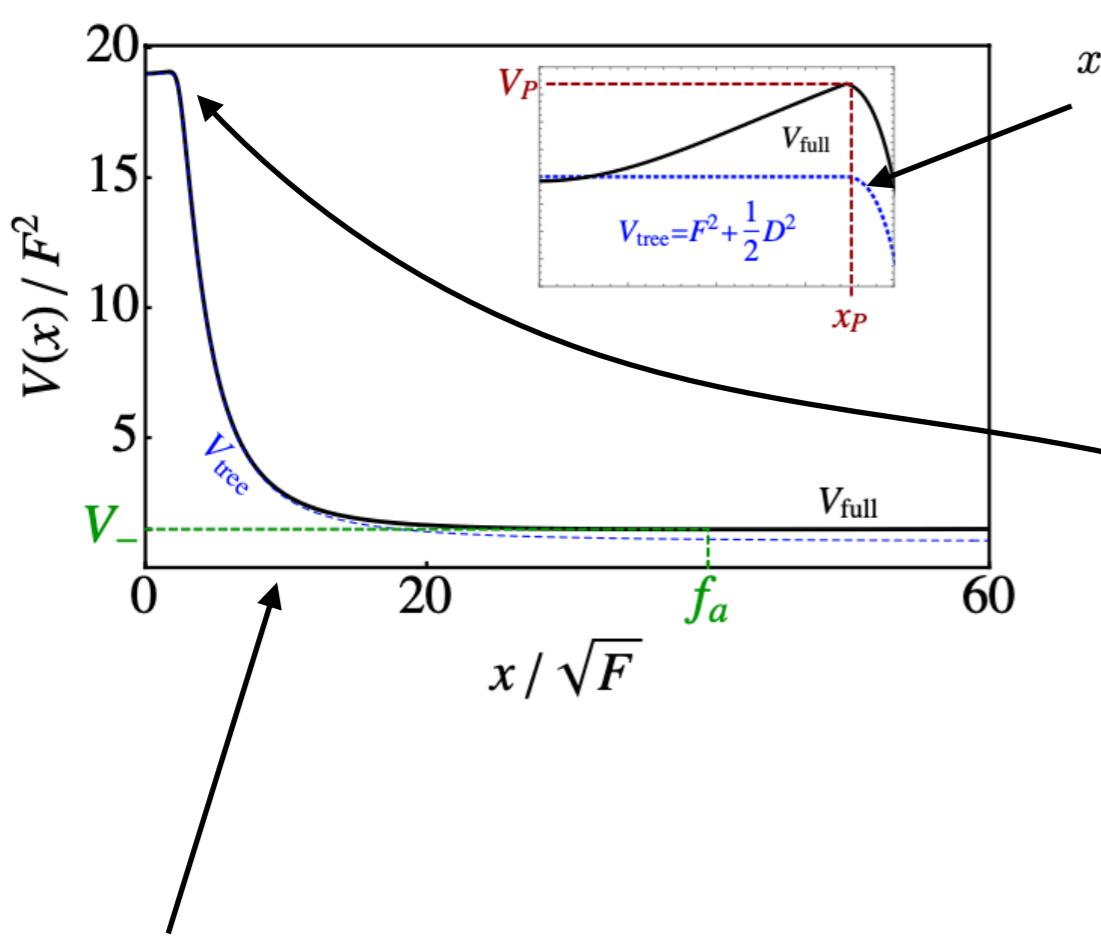


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