

Simulation and Signatures of Dark Sector Glueball Showers

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Work discussed:

arXiv: 2202.12899 (with D. Curtin, C.B. Verhaaren)

arXiv: 2211.05794 (with D. Curtin)

arXiv: 2310.13731 (with A. Batz, T. Cohen, D. Curtin, G.D. Kribs)

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Overview:

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- **Background and Motivation**
- **Decay Portals and Production**

2. Simulating Dark Glueball Hadronization

3. Phenomenology

- **Collider Signatures**
- **Indirect Detection**

4. Conclusions



Dark Sector Glueballs: Background and Motivation

Dark Sector Glueballs

- **Consider an extension of the Standard Model, a new dark SU(N)**
- **In the $N_f = 0$ limit, the only hadrons that form below the confinement scale, Λ , are ‘dark sector’ glueballs**
- **Similarly the case when all quark masses are above the confinement scale**

Dark Sector Glueballs

- **Majority of knowledge comes from lattice QCD studies**

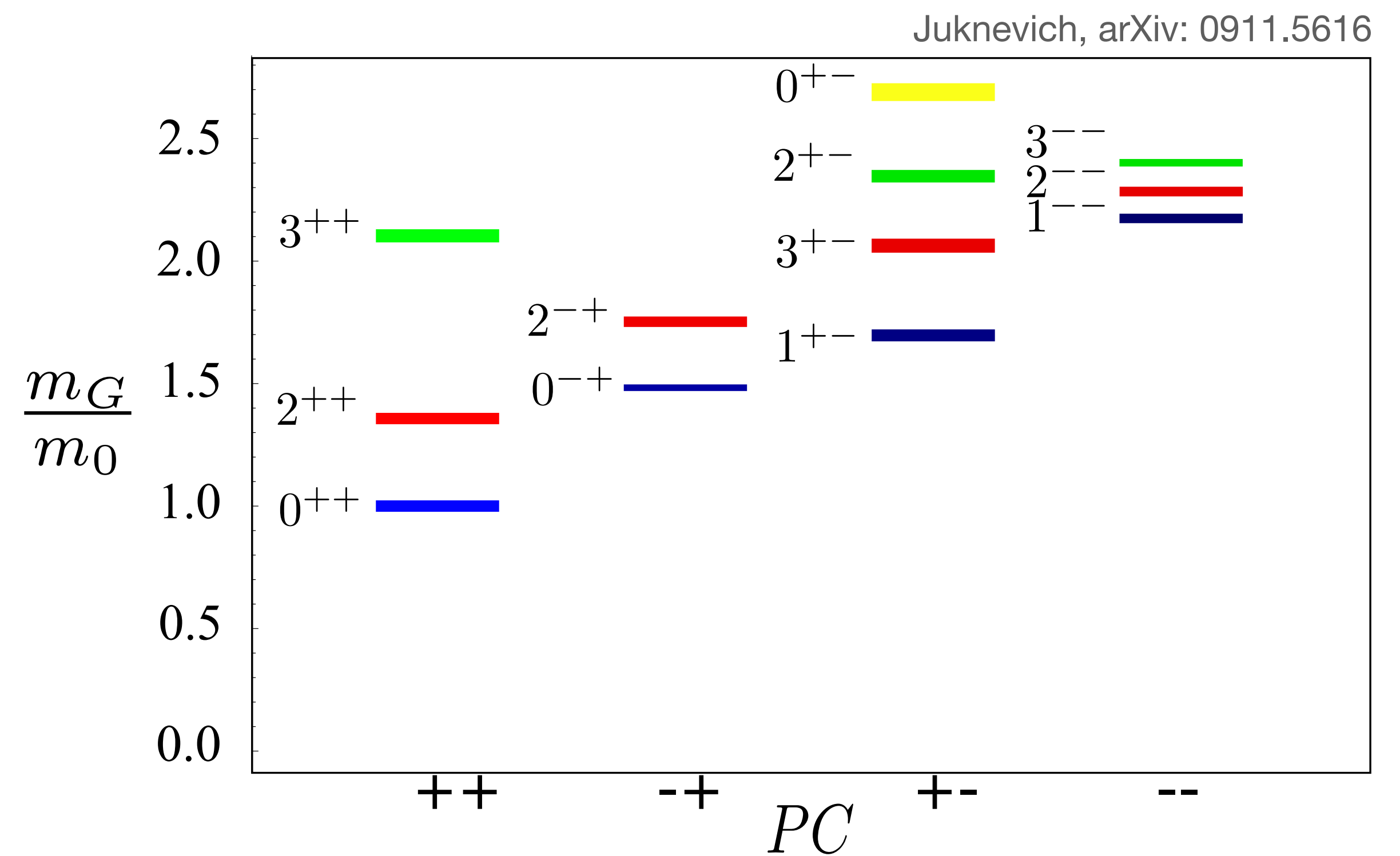
Morningstar, Peardon, arXiv: hep-lat/9901004

Chen et al., arXiv: hep-lat/0510074

Athenodorou, Teper, arXiv:2106.00364

- **Spectrum of 12 (stable) states**
- **Masses parameterised by the confinement scale,**

$$m_0 \sim 6\Lambda \gg \Lambda$$



Theory Motivation

- **Why extend the SM with a new $SU(3)$ gauge group?**

Strassler, Zurek, arXiv: hep-ph/0604261

- **Generic example of a confining dark sector**

Burdman, Chacko, Goh, Harnik, arXiv: hep-ph/0609152

- **Specific examples: Twin Higgs, Folded SUSY, many more...**

Chacko, Goh, Harnik, arXiv: hep-ph/0506256

- **Such theories of neutral naturalness provide solutions to the (little) Hierarchy Problem**

Poland, Thaler, arXiv: 0808.1290

Cai, Chen, Terning, arXiv: 0812.0843

Craig, Katz, Strassler, Sundrum, arXiv: 1501.05310

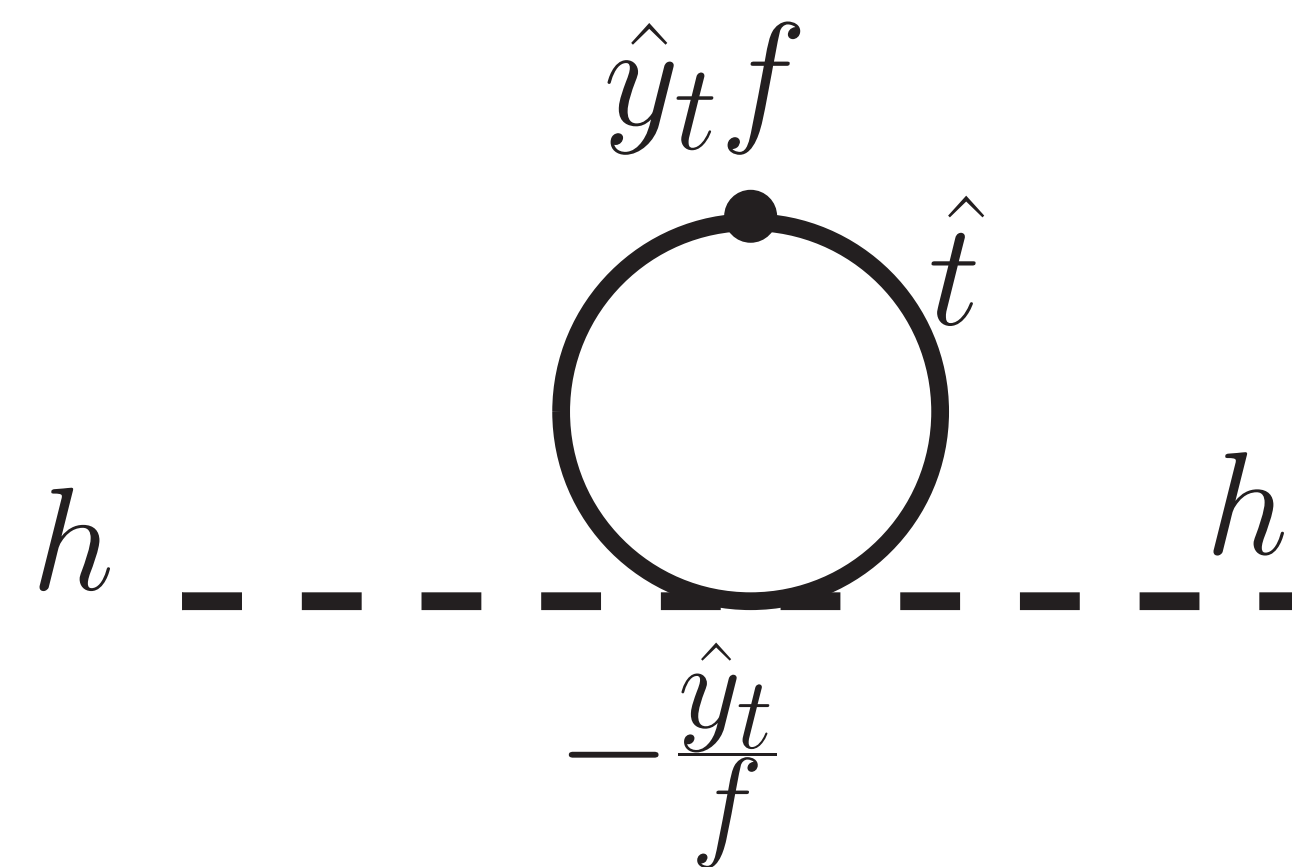
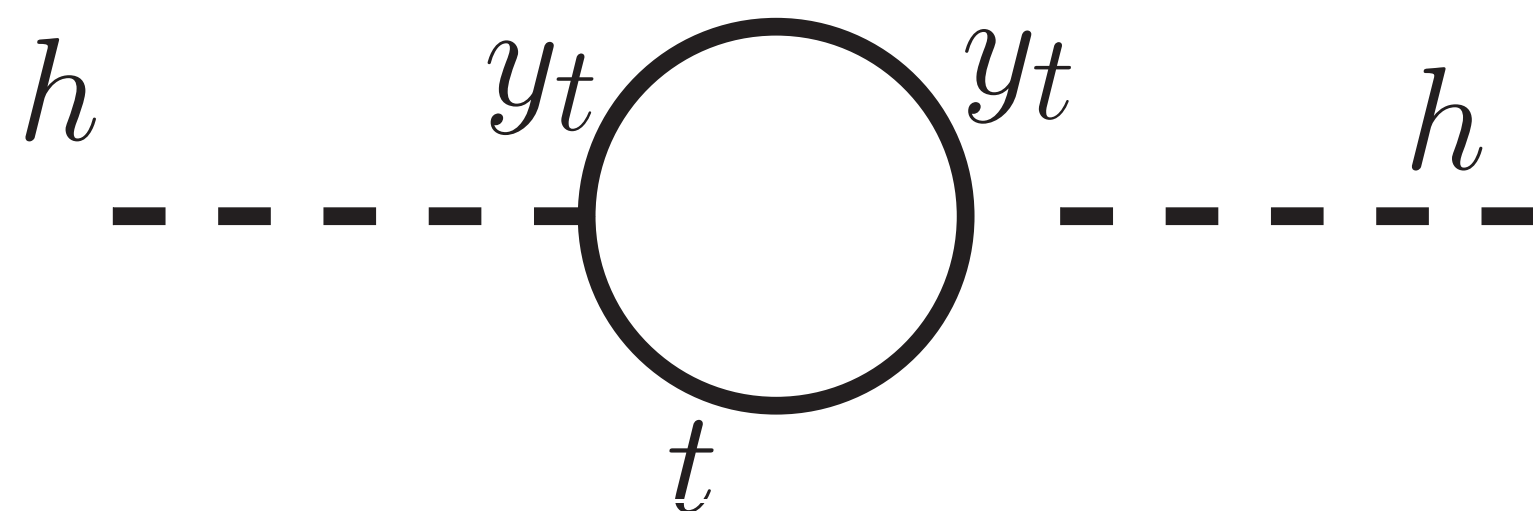
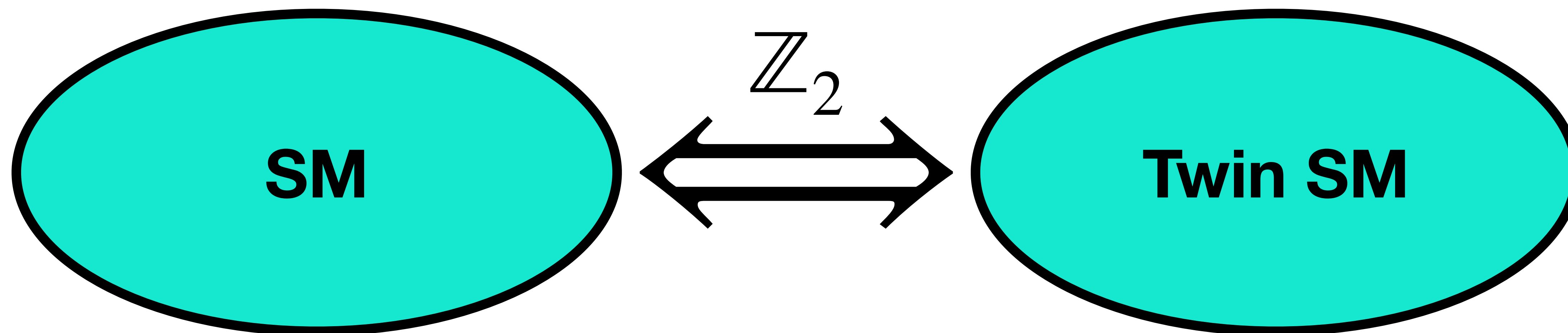
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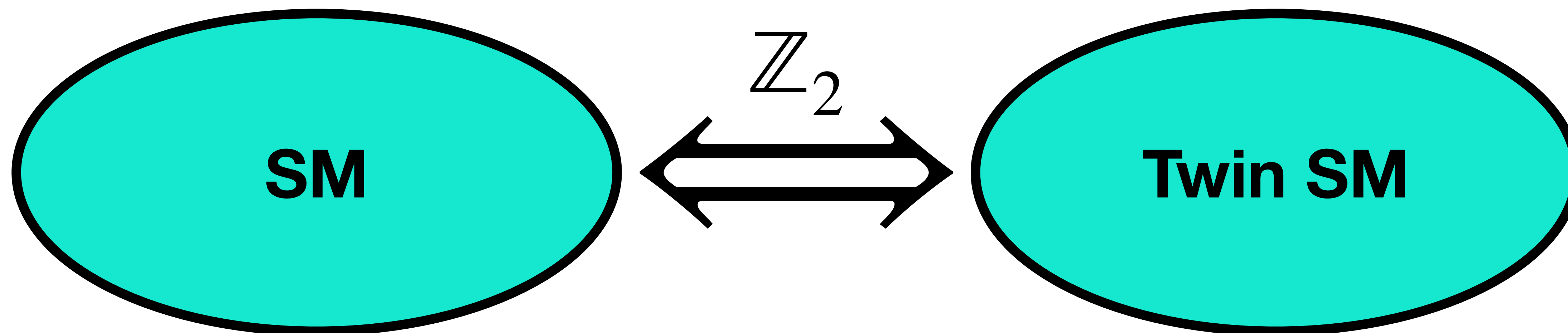
Neutral Naturalness

- **Original solutions to the Hierarchy problem (e.g. SUSY, composite Higgs) lead to coloured states expected at the TeV scale**
- **Neutral naturalness theories protect the Higgs mass with a new discrete symmetry, with additional SM colour neutral (or dark/twin) fields**
- **Lack of evidence of coloured states at the LHC increased motivation for neutral naturalness models:**
 - A. Protect the Higgs mass at the TeV scale**
 - B. Avoided the new LHC collider constraints**

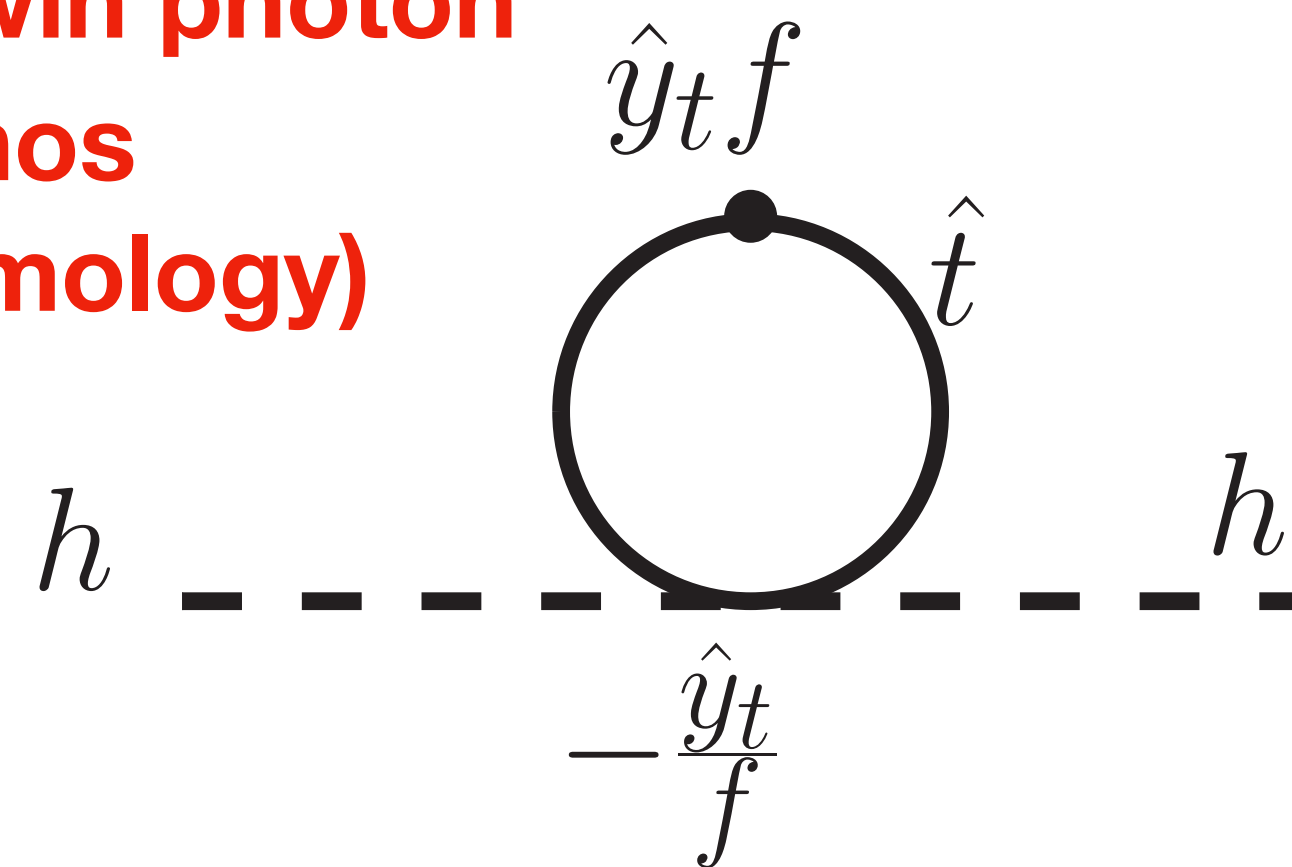
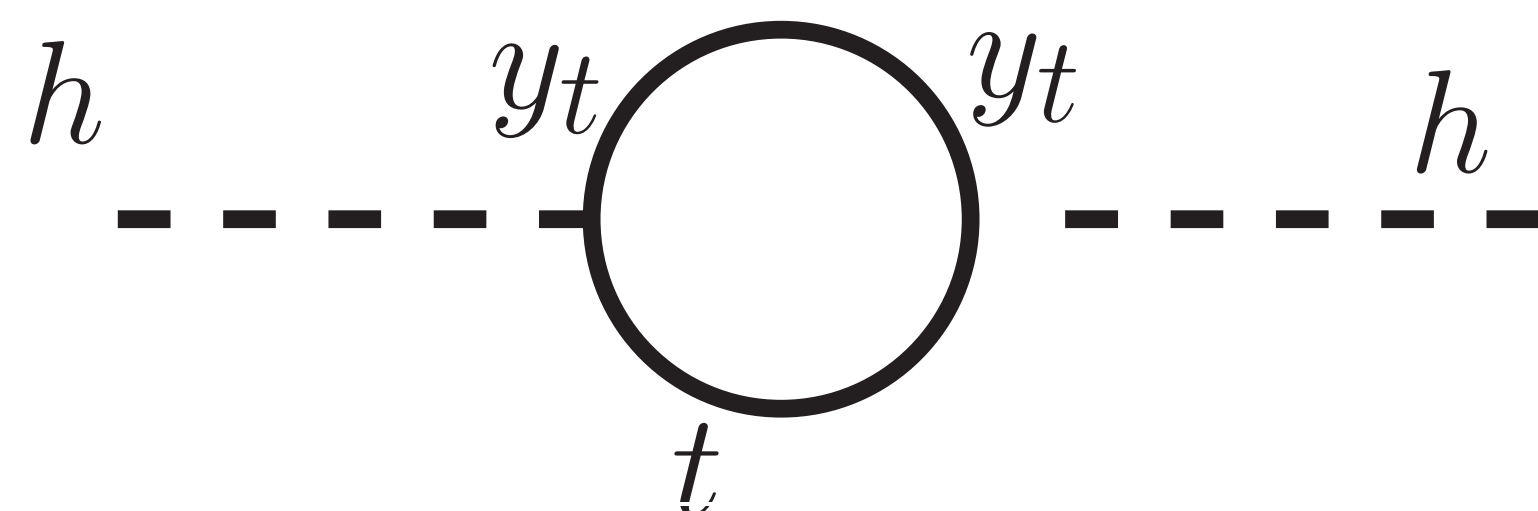
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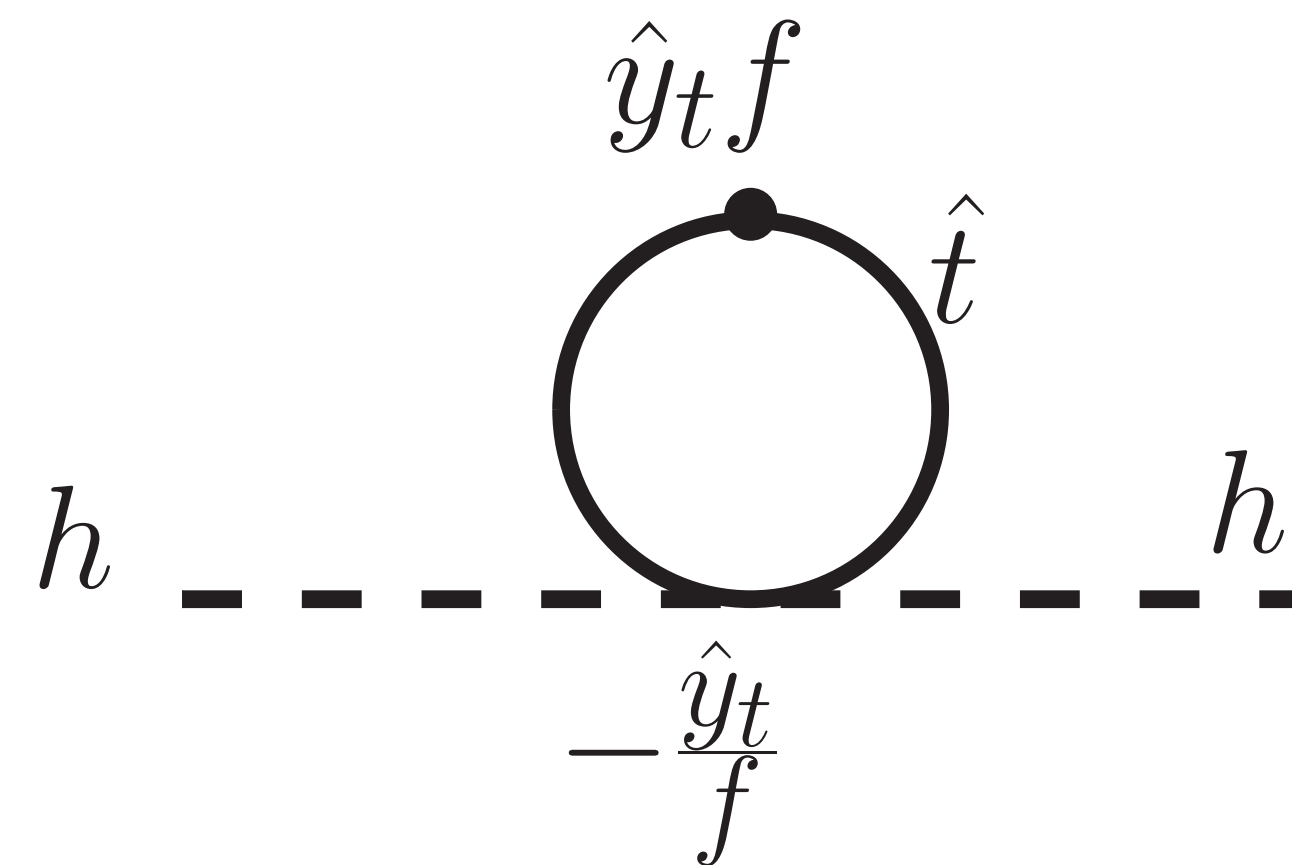
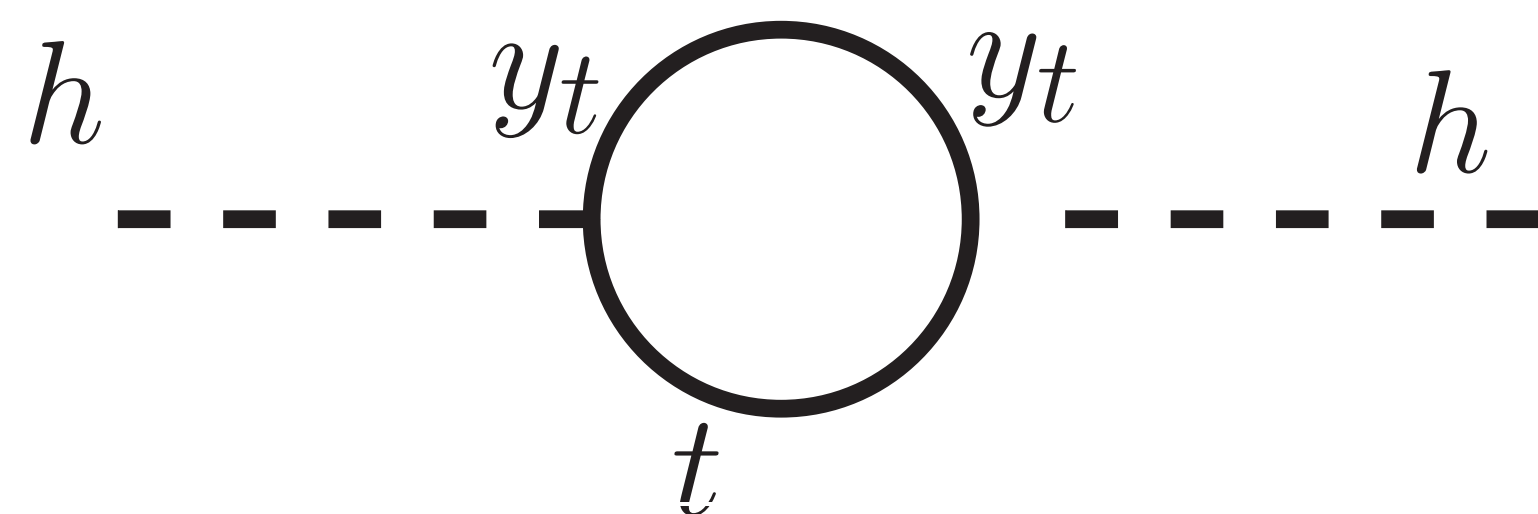
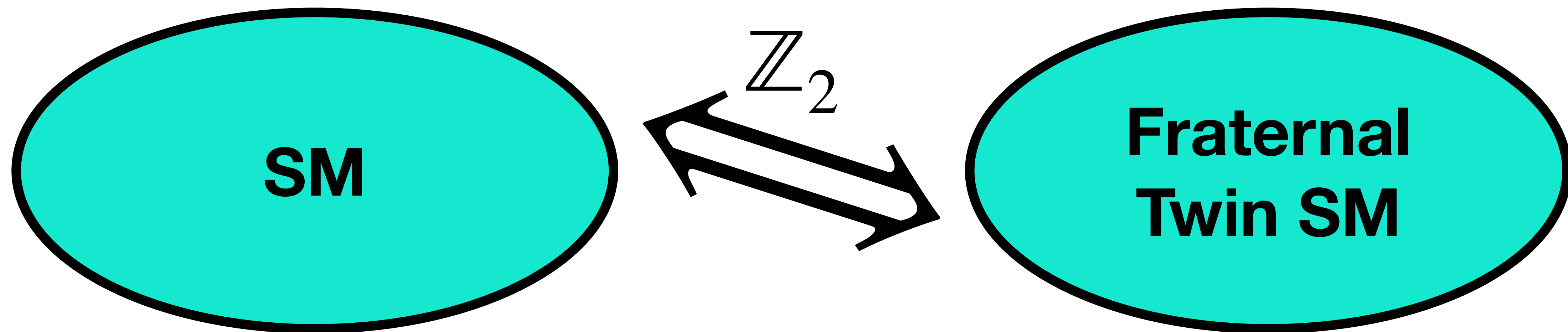
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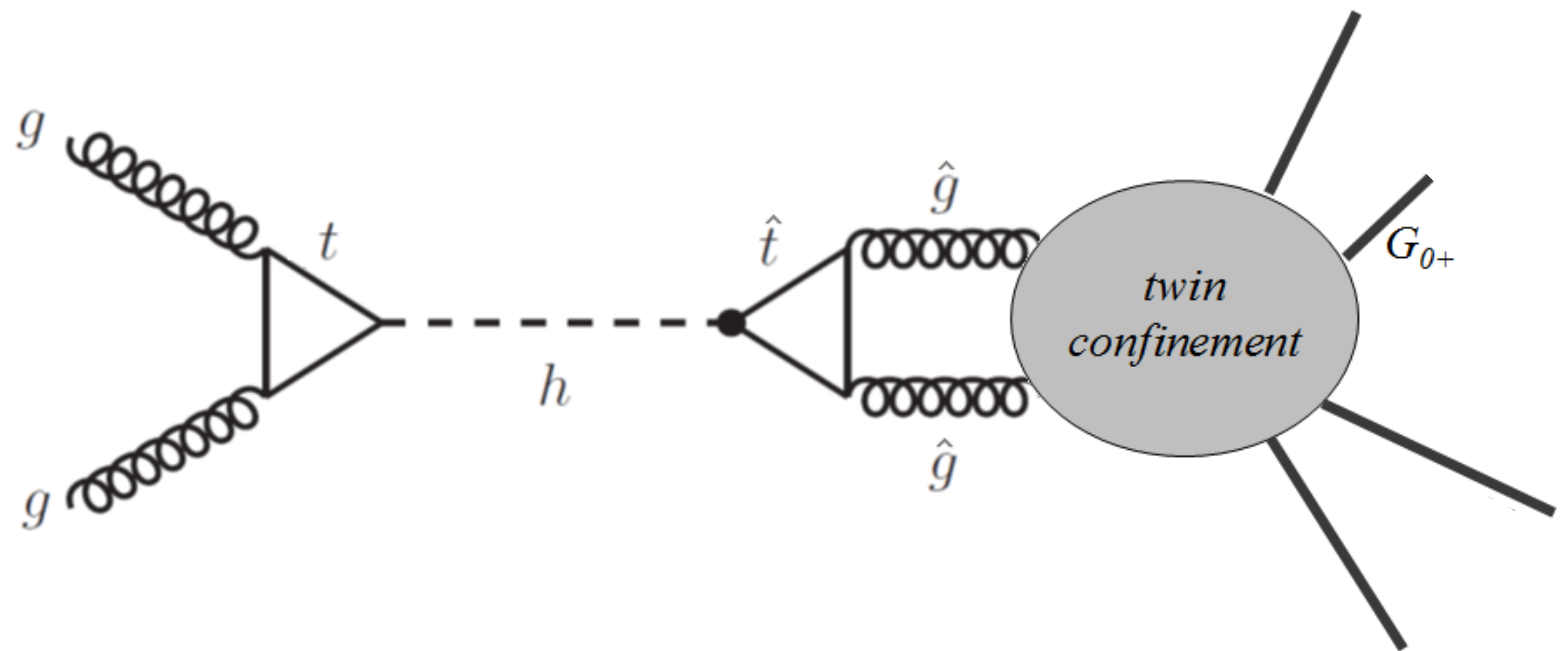
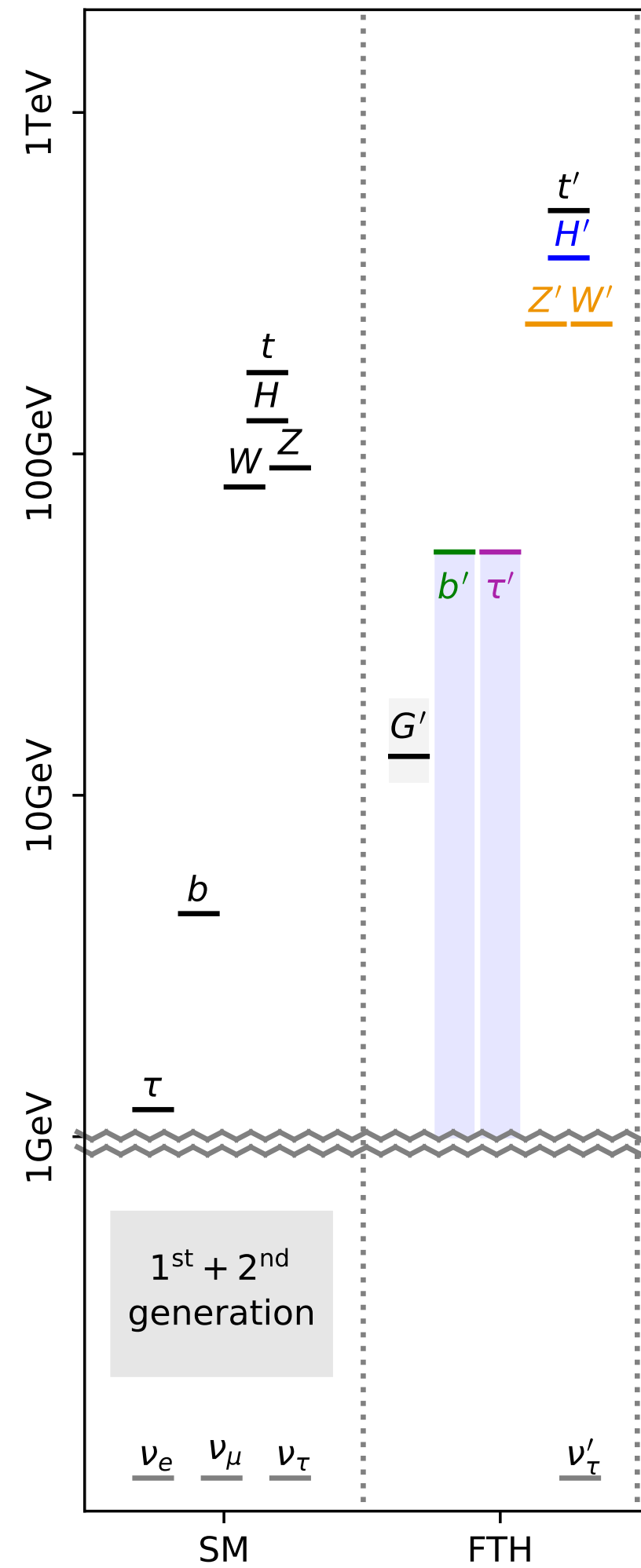
...but $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 5$ from twin photon
+ 3 twin neutrinos
(constrained by cosmology)



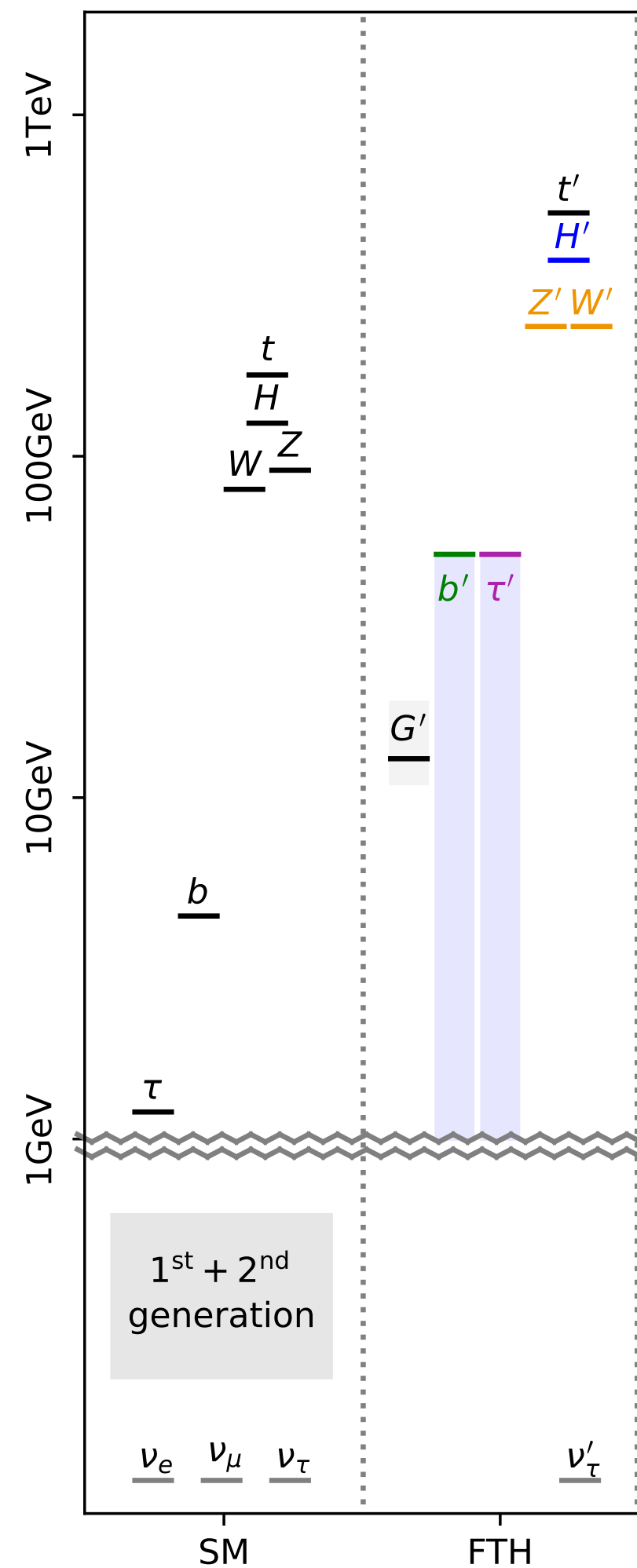
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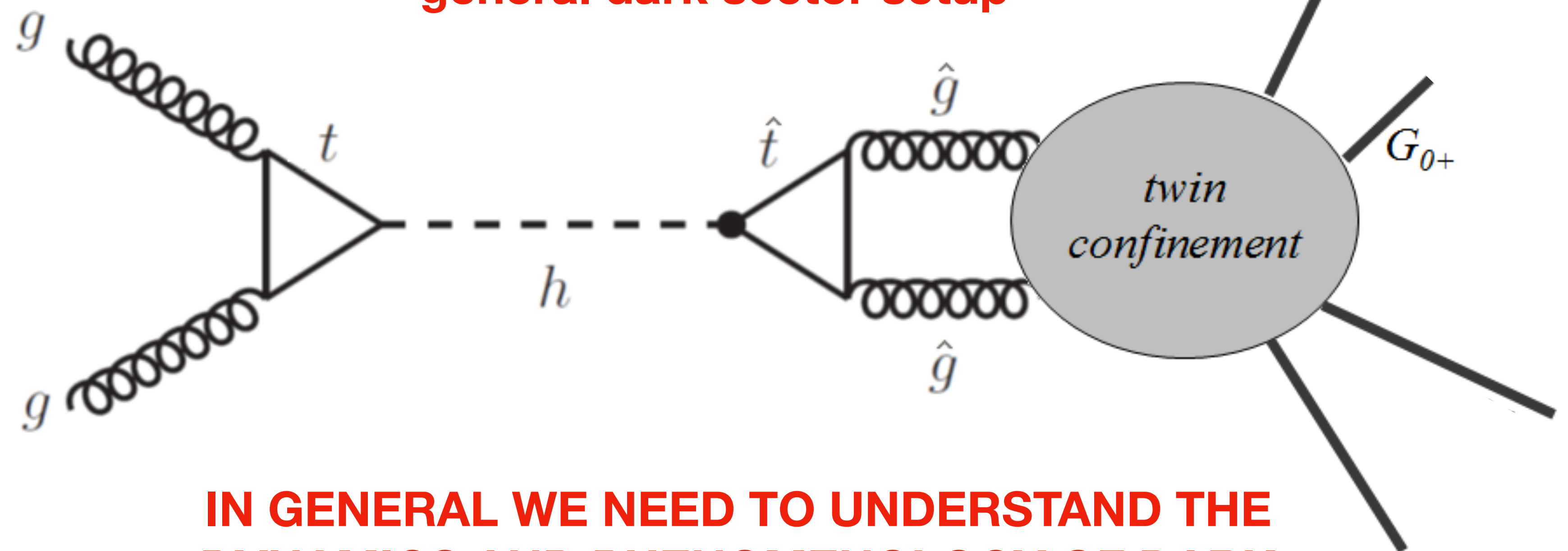
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FTH is just one realisation that motivates studying dark glueball showers, but $N_f = 0$ QCD is a general dark sector setup



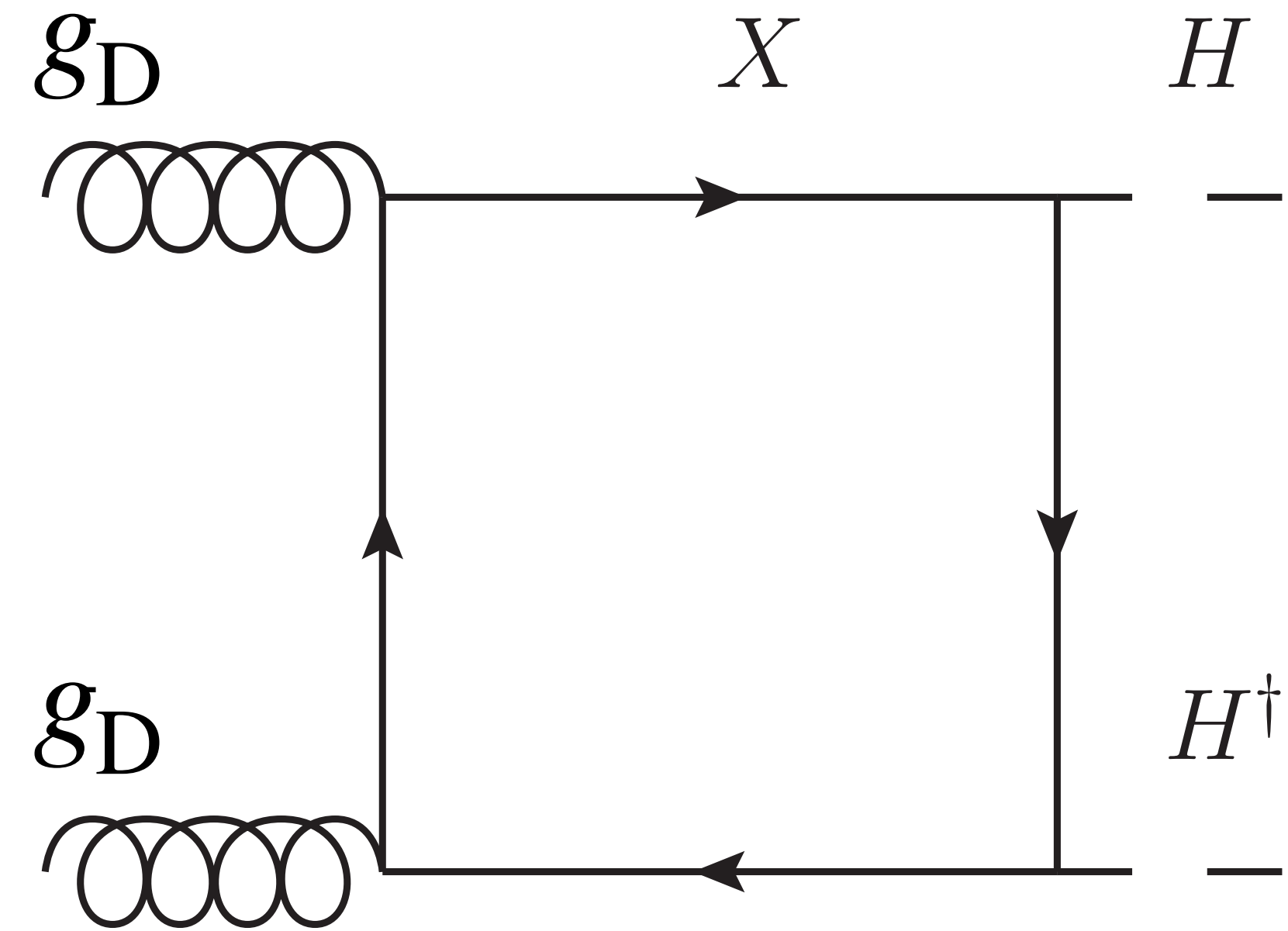
IN GENERAL WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE DYNAMICS AND PHENOMENOLOGY OF DARK SECTOR GLUEBALL PRODUCTION



Dark Sector Glueballs: Decay Portals and Production

Decay Portals

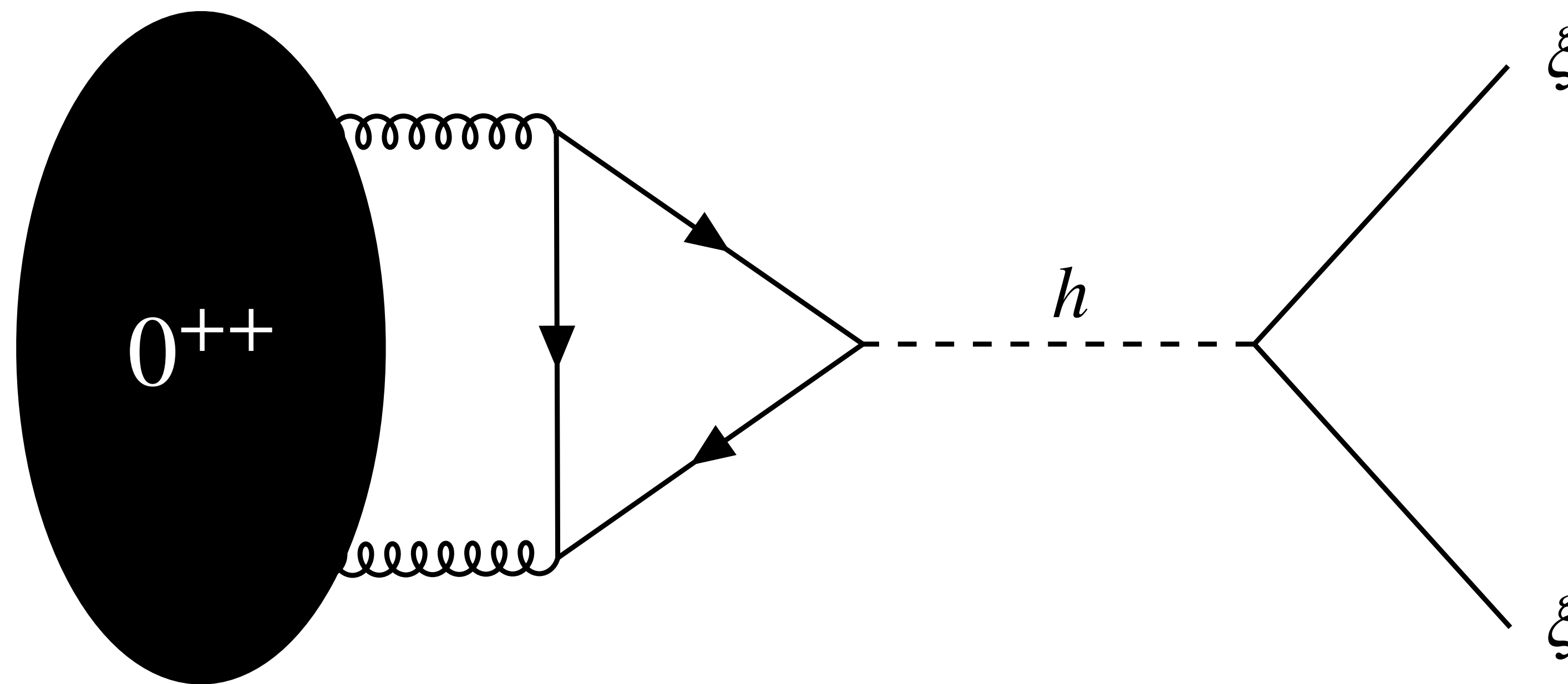
- Assume dark quarks couple to the SM Higgs
- Dark sector glueballs able to decay via heavy quarks running in loop
- Integrate out to get an effective dimension 6 operator



Juknevich, arXiv: 0911.5616

$$\mathcal{L}^{(6)} = \frac{\alpha_D}{3\pi} \frac{y^2}{M^2} H^\dagger H G_D^{\mu\nu} G_{D,\mu\nu}$$

Decay Portals

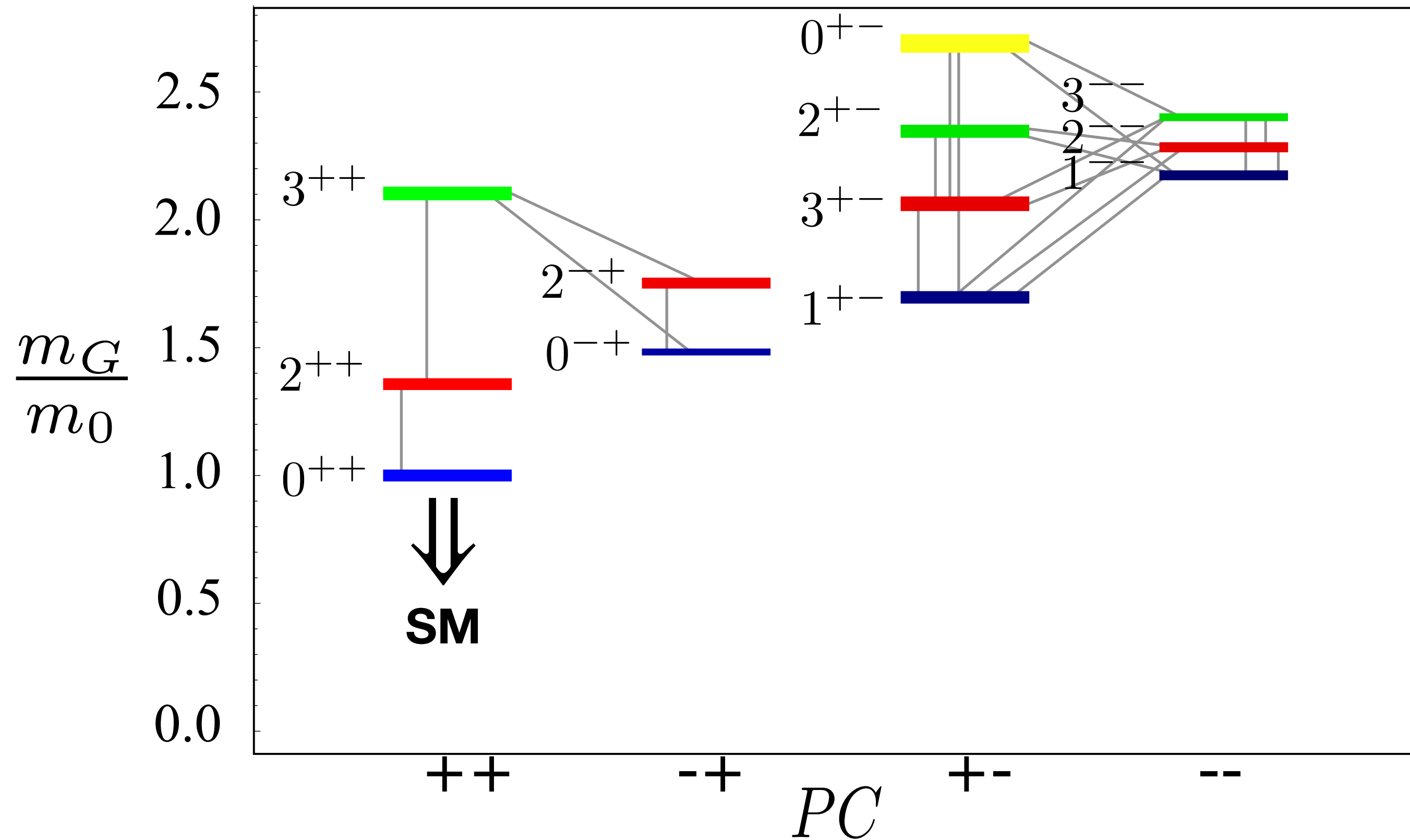


Non-perturbative decay constant
(comes from lattice studies)

$$\Gamma_{0^{++} \rightarrow \xi\xi} = \frac{y^4}{M^4} \left(\frac{v_H \alpha_D \mathbf{F}_{0^{++}}}{3\pi(m_H^2 - m_0^2)} \right)^2 \Gamma_{h \rightarrow \xi\xi}^{\text{SM}}$$

$\mathbf{F}_{0^{++}} \sim m_0^3$

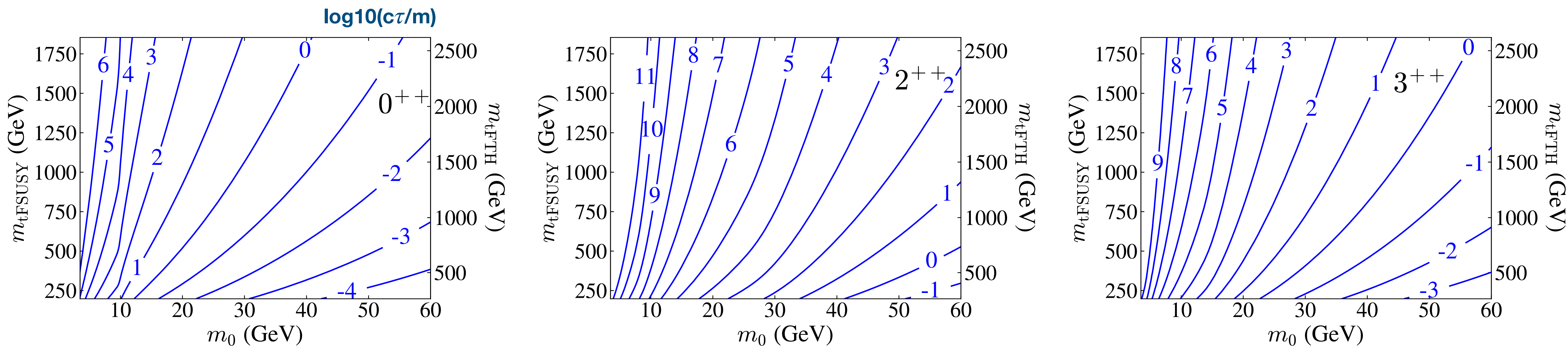
Decay Portals



Glueball	Mass (m_0)	Higgs Portal
0^{++}	1.00	$h^* \rightarrow \text{SM}, \text{SM}$
2^{++}	1.40	$0^{++} + h^*$
0^{-+}	1.50	-
1^{+-}	1.75	-
2^{-+}	1.78	$0^{-+} + h^*$
3^{+-}	2.11	$1^{+-} + h^*$
3^{++}	2.15	$\{2^{++}, 0^{-+}, 2^{-+}\} + h^*$
1^{--}	2.25	$1^{+-} + h^*$
2^{--}	2.35	$\{1^{+-}, 3^{+-}, 1^{--}\} + h^*$
3^{--}	2.46	$\{1^{+-}, 3^{+-}, 1^{--}, 2^{--}\} + h^*$
2^{+-}	2.48	$\{1^{+-}, 3^{+-}, 1^{--}, 2^{--}, 3^{--}\} + h^*$
0^{+-}	2.80	$\{1^{--}, 3^{--}, 2^{+-}\} + h^*$

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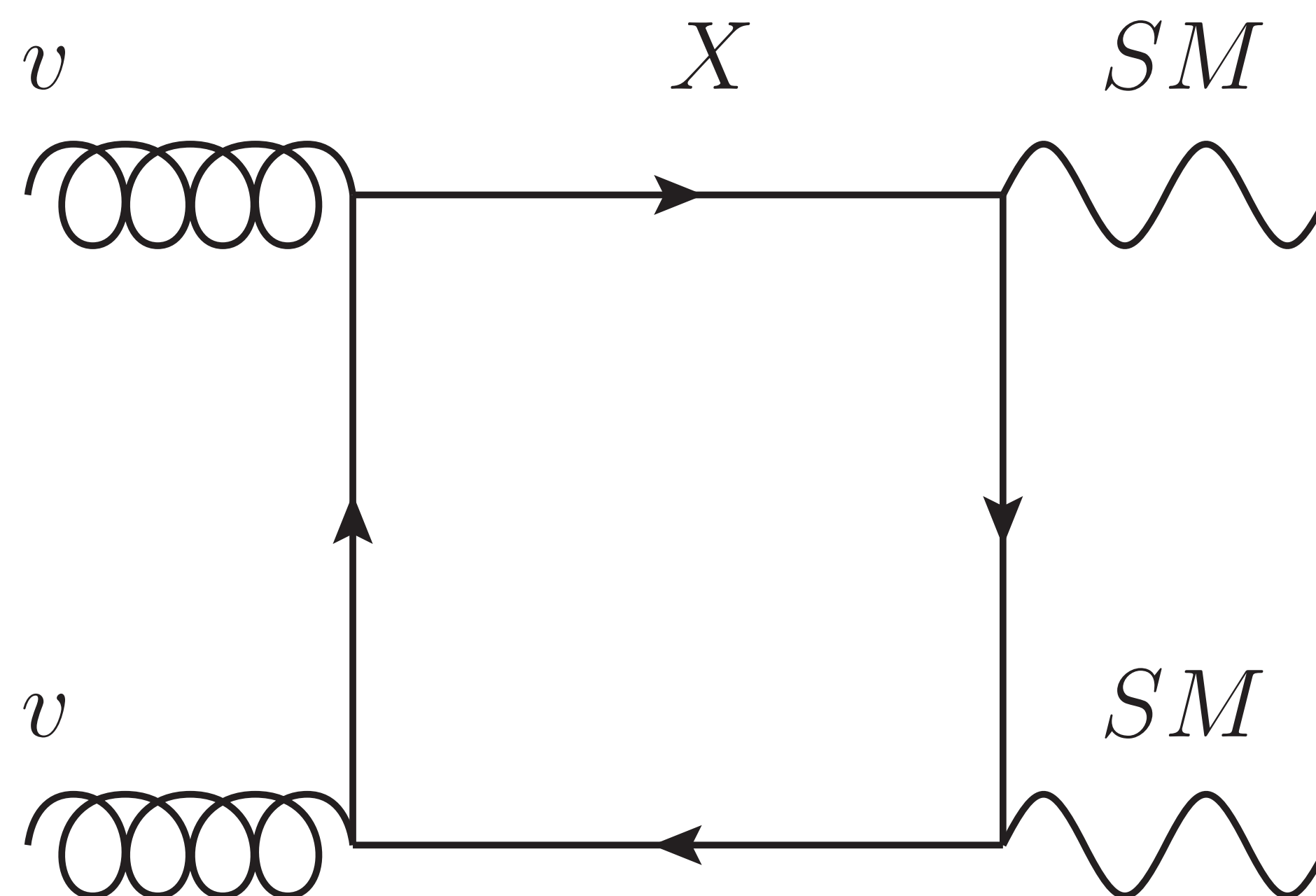
- **Note that for most parameter space motivated by neutral naturalness, glueballs are generically long lived particles with mass 10-50 GeV**
Curtin, Verhaaren, arXiv:1506.06141
- **Additionally, across the spectrum of glueball states, lifetimes differ by orders of magnitude**



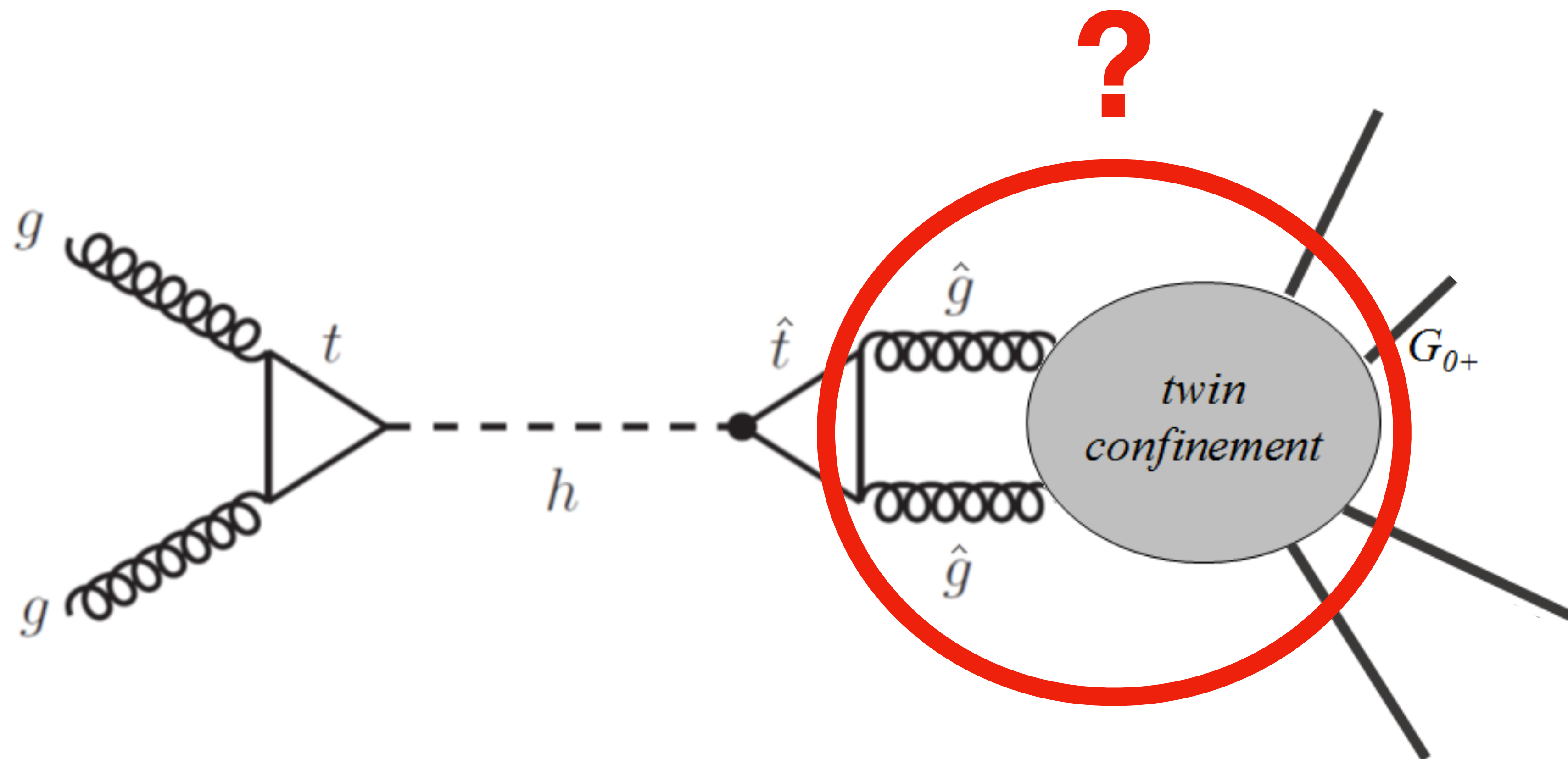
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- Also possible to decay through higher dimension-8 gauge portals
- Requires new fields charged under SM gauge groups, stronger constraints

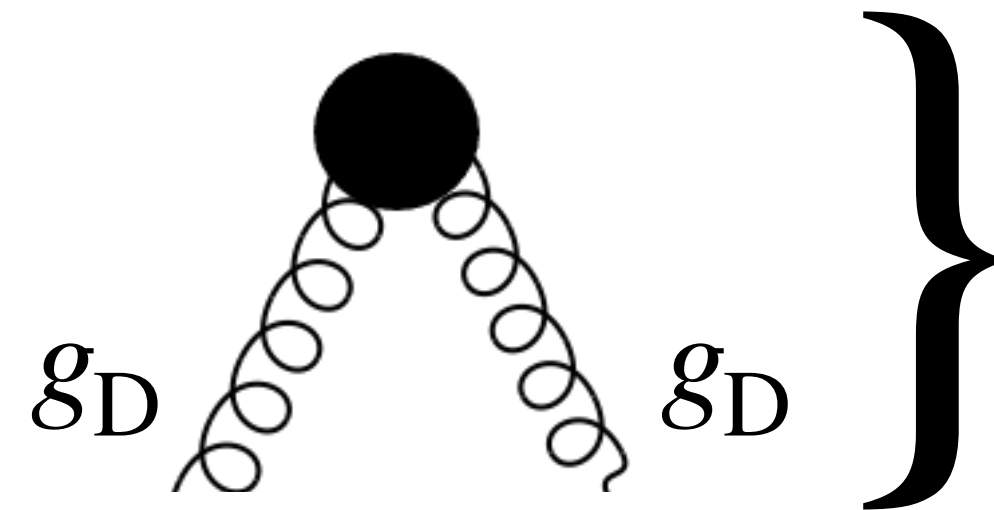
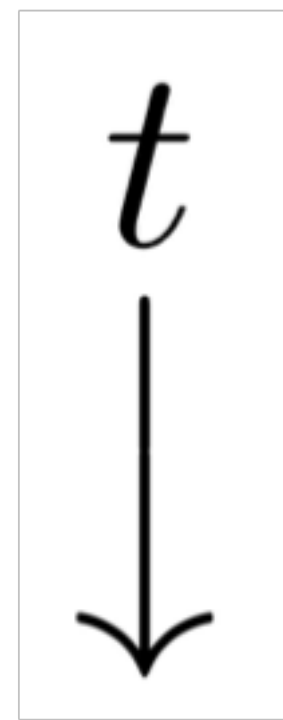
Juknevich, Melnikov, Strassler, arXiv: 0903.0883
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Glueball production...



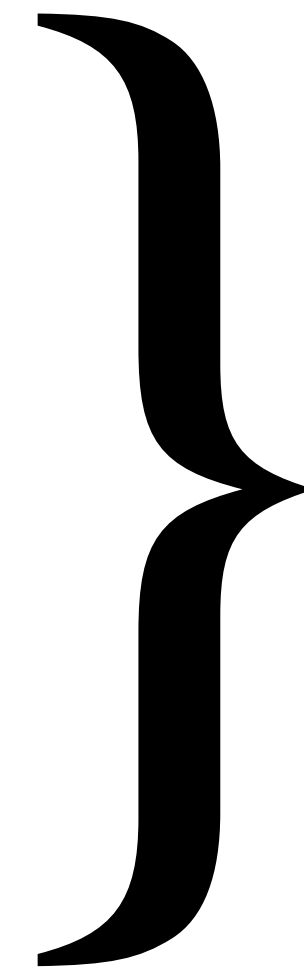
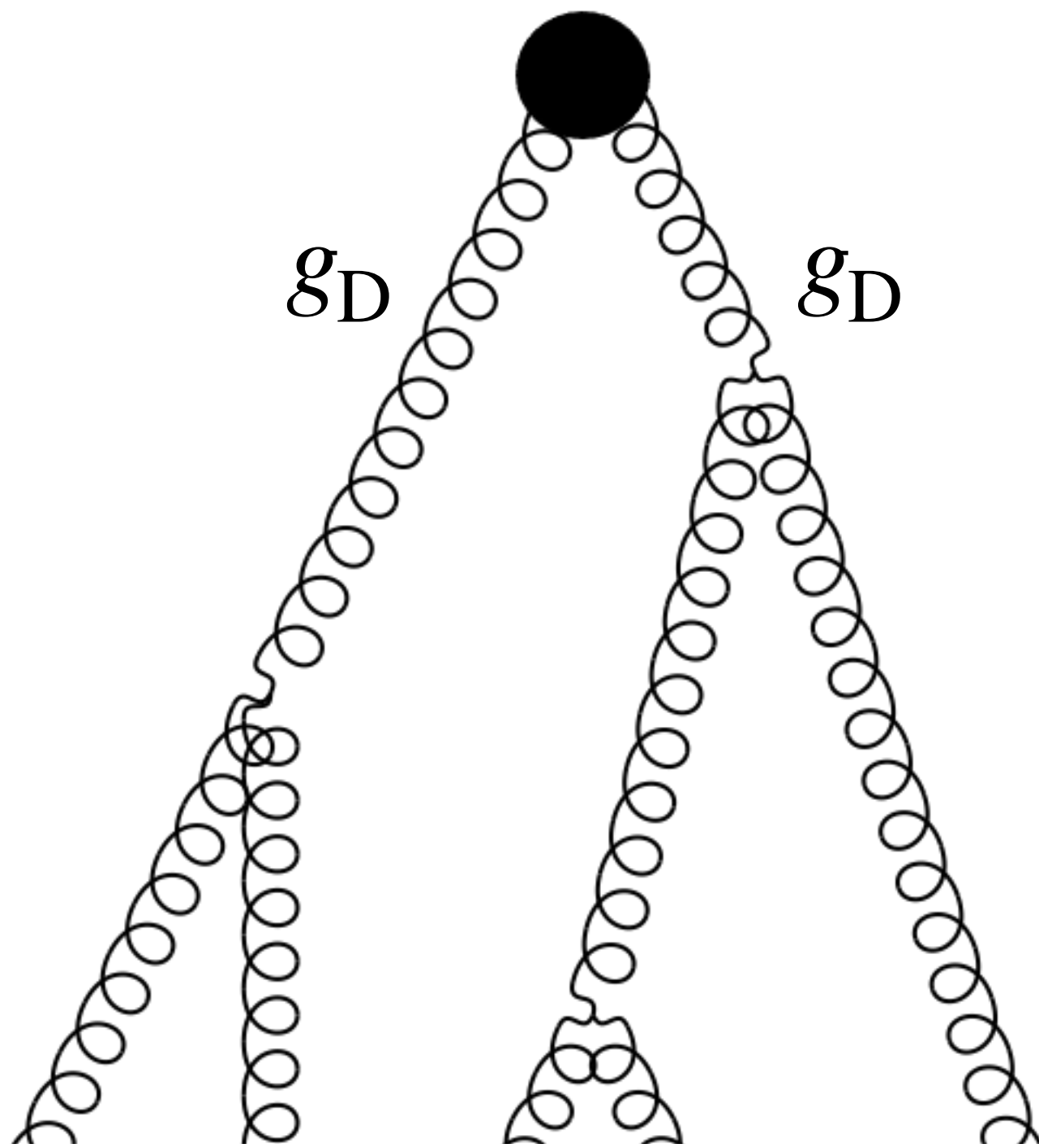
Glueball production...



Consider some colour singlet scalar (e.g. Higgs) decaying to two dark gluons

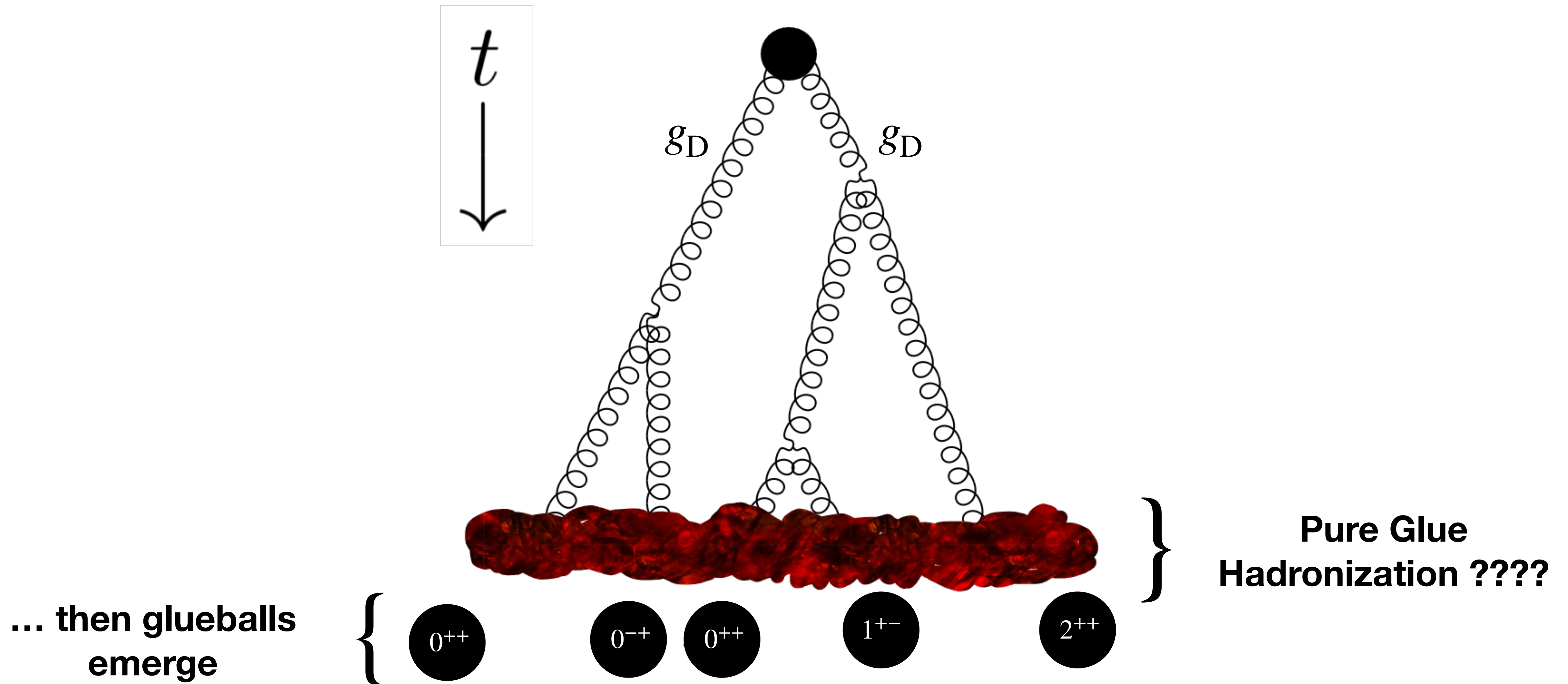
Glueball production...

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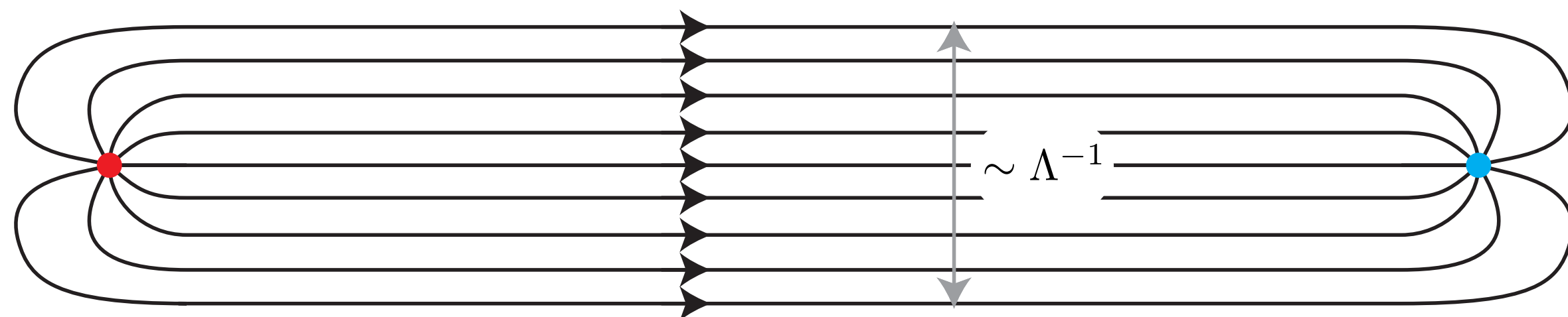
**Perturbative
shower**

Glueball production...

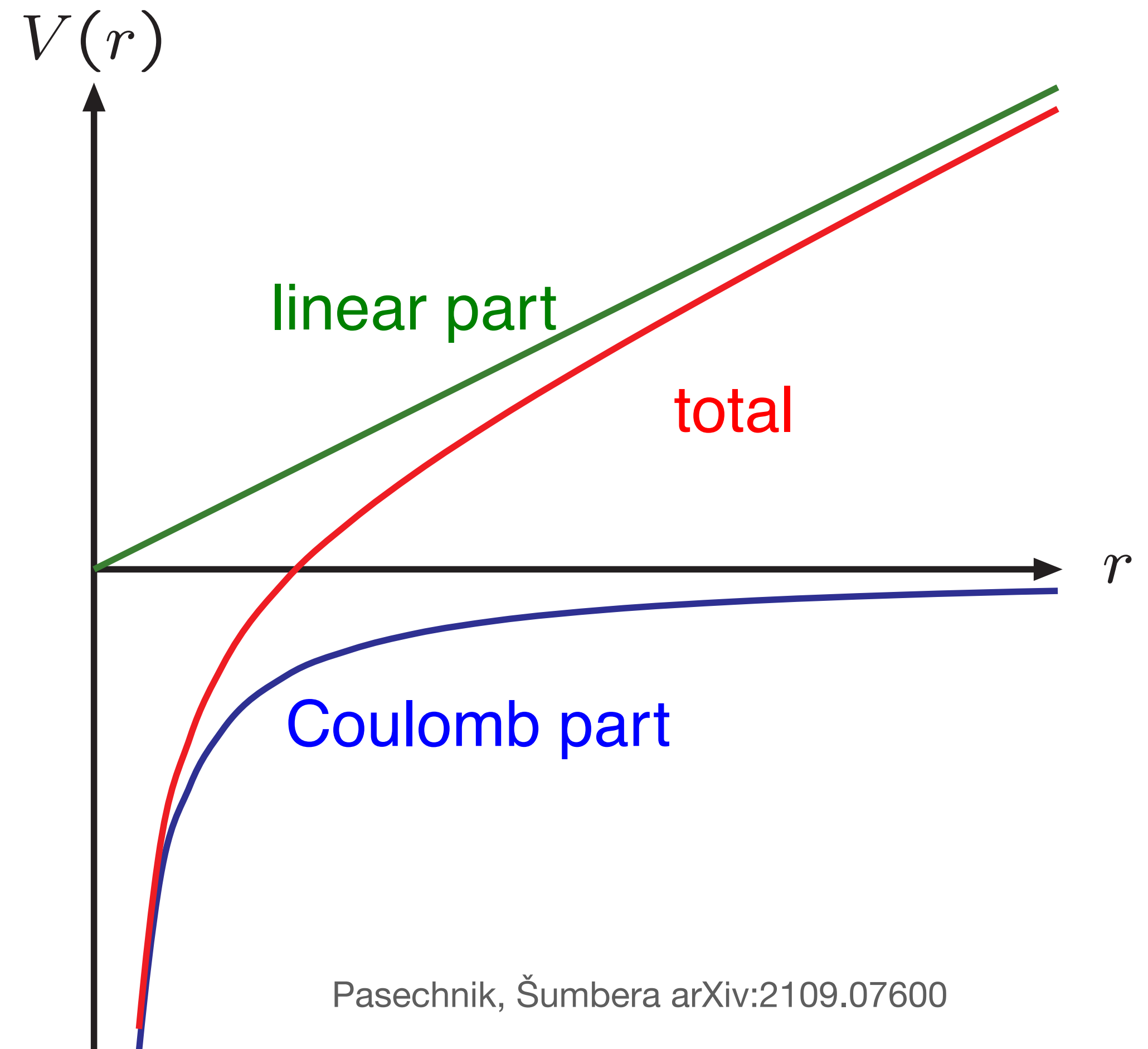


Hadronization: what do we know?

- From lattice studies we know the static inter-quark potential
- Linearly increasing potential at large distances motivates a flux tube / colour string interpretation, with some associated string tension, σ



Kang, Luty, arXiv: 0805.4642

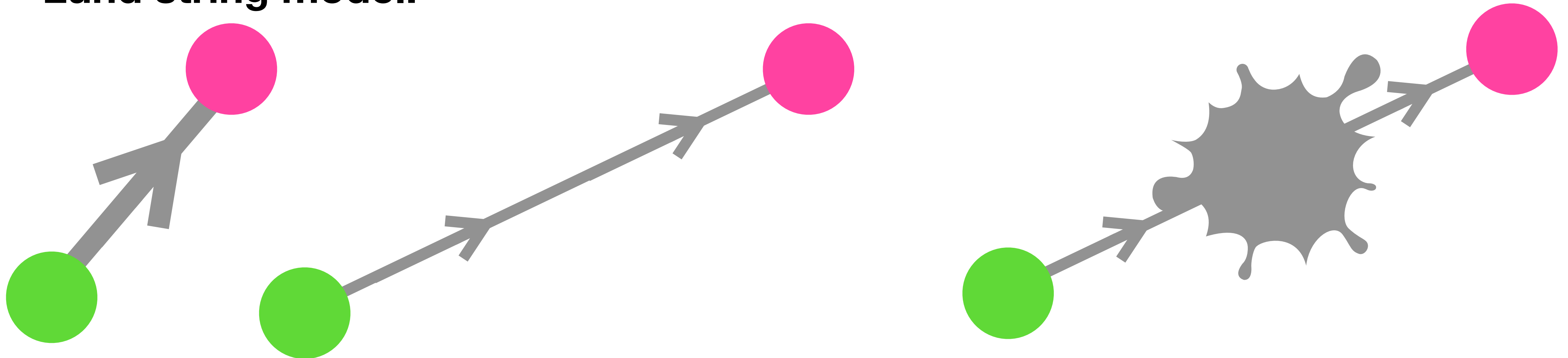


Pasechnik, Šumbera arXiv:2109.07600

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Andersson, Gustafson, Ingelman, Sjöstrand, Physics Reports 97, 31 (1983)

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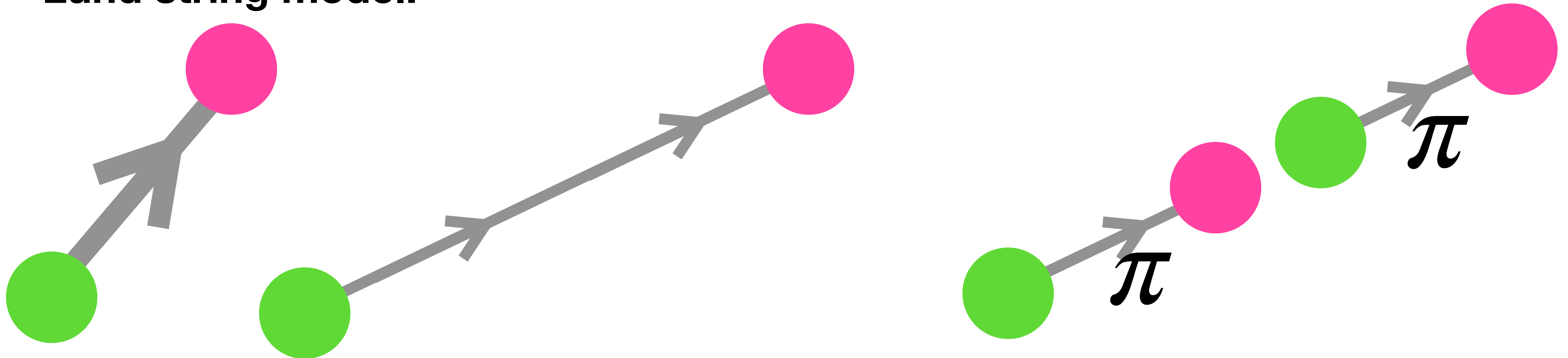


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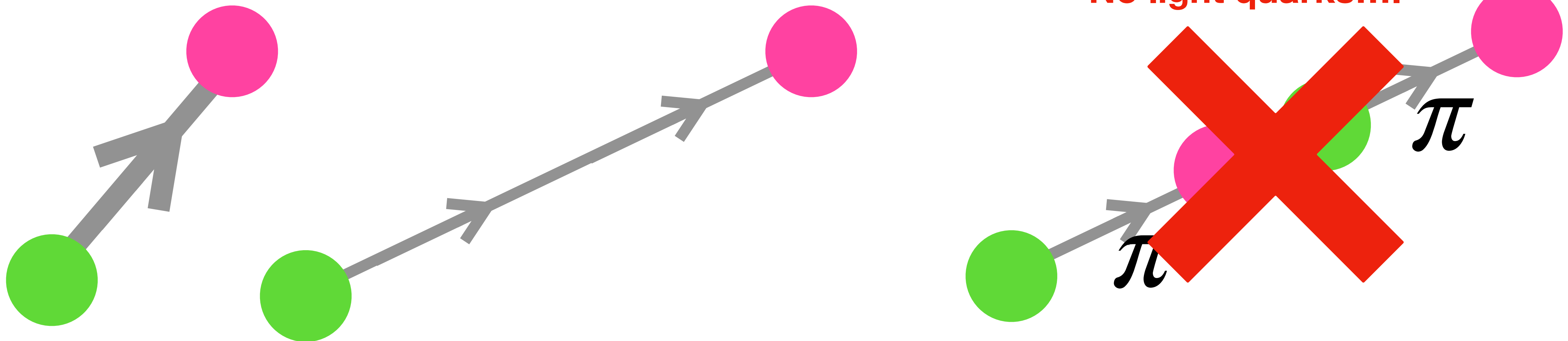


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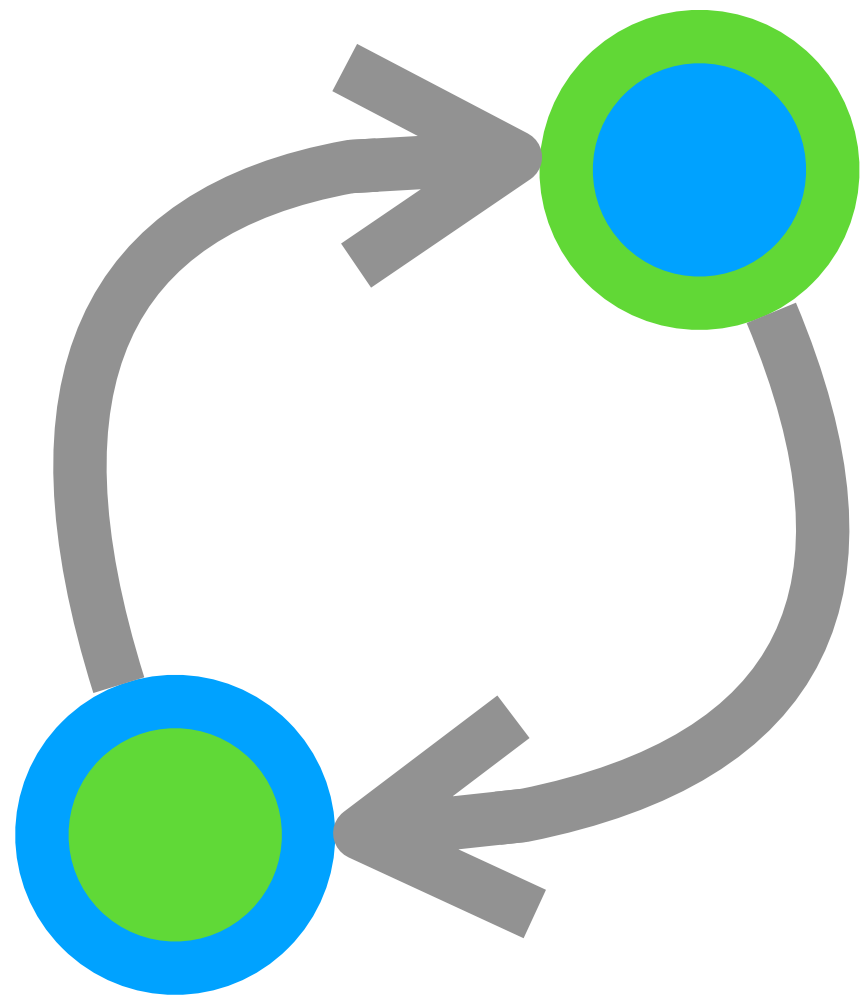
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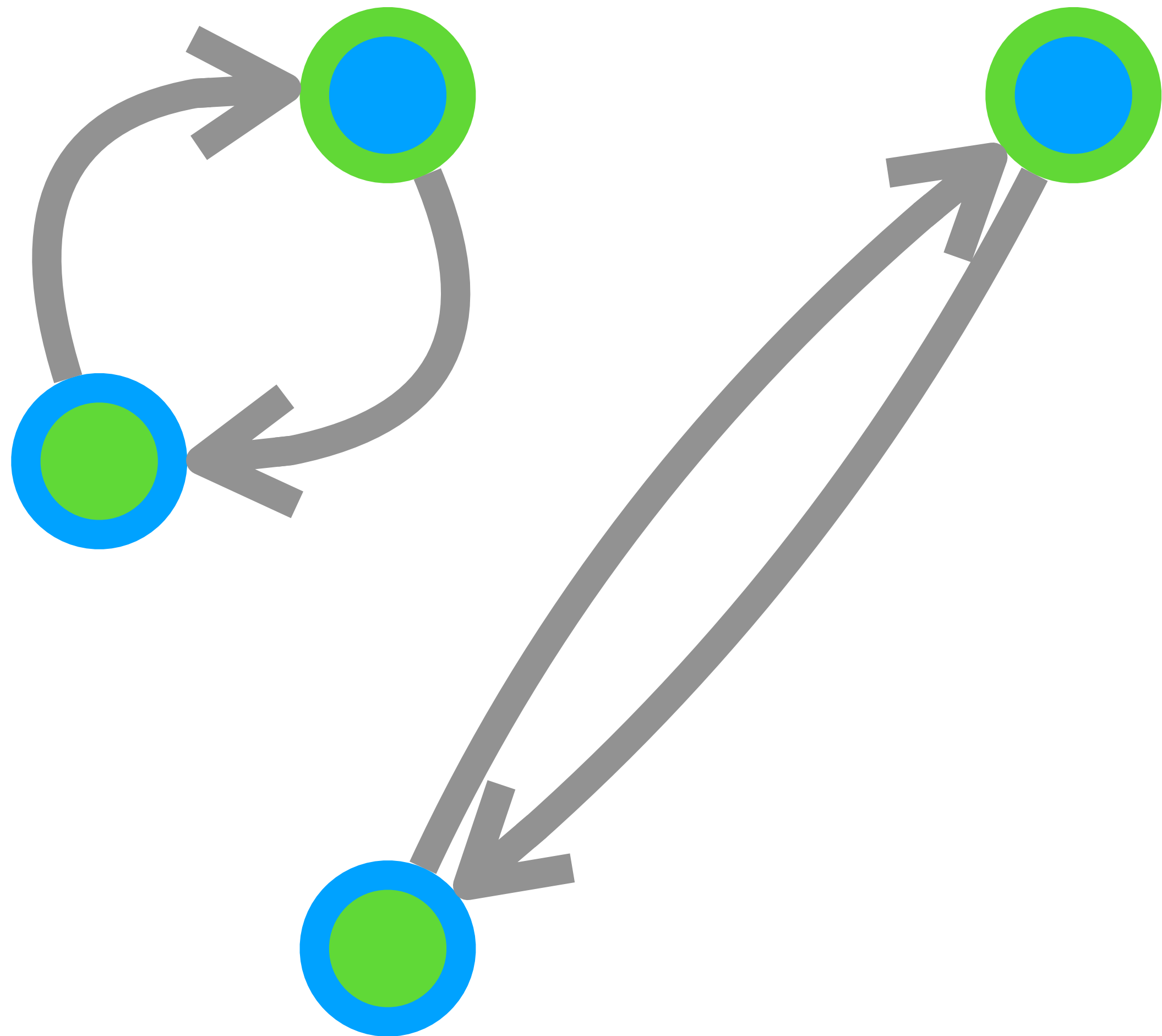


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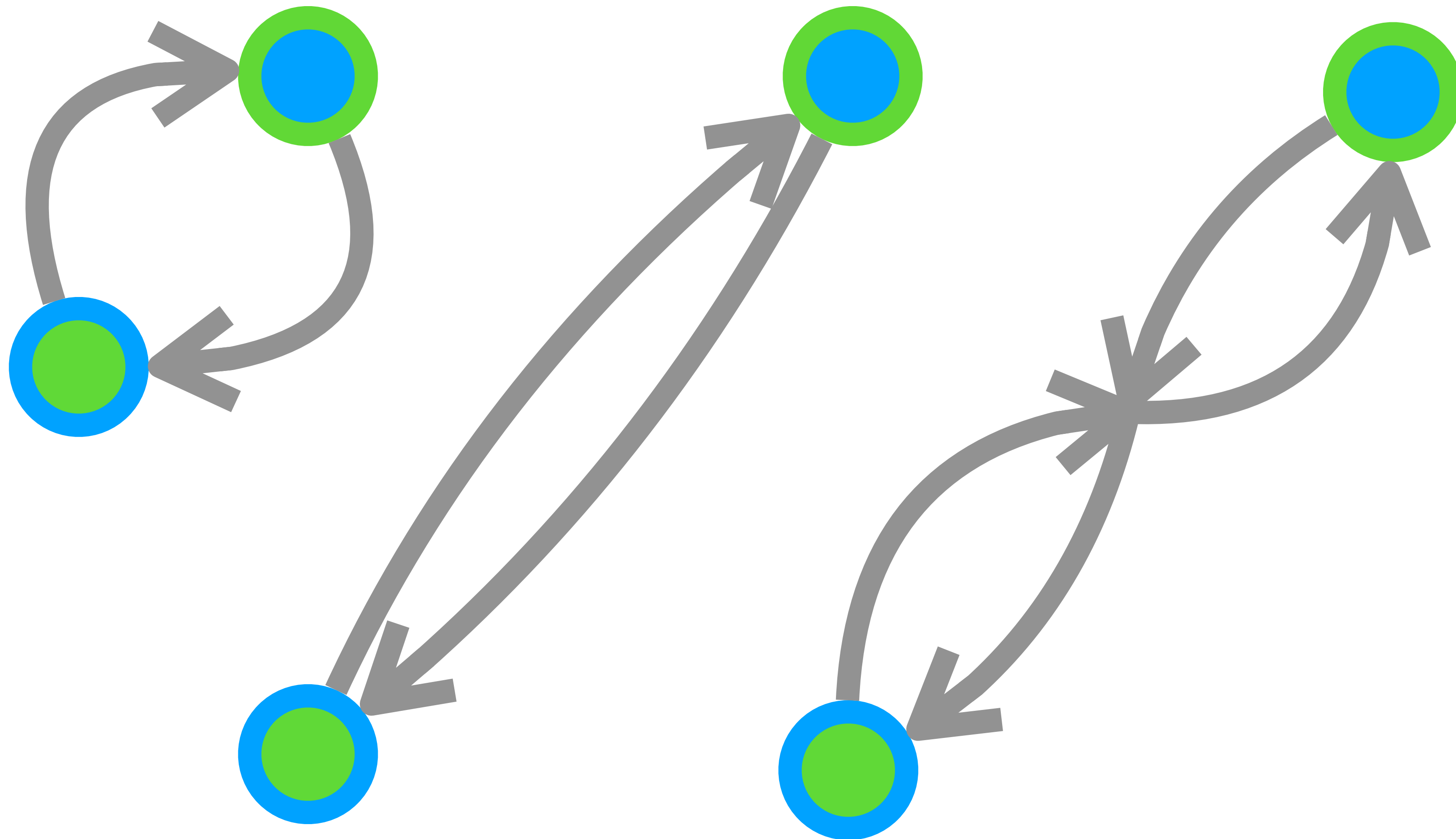
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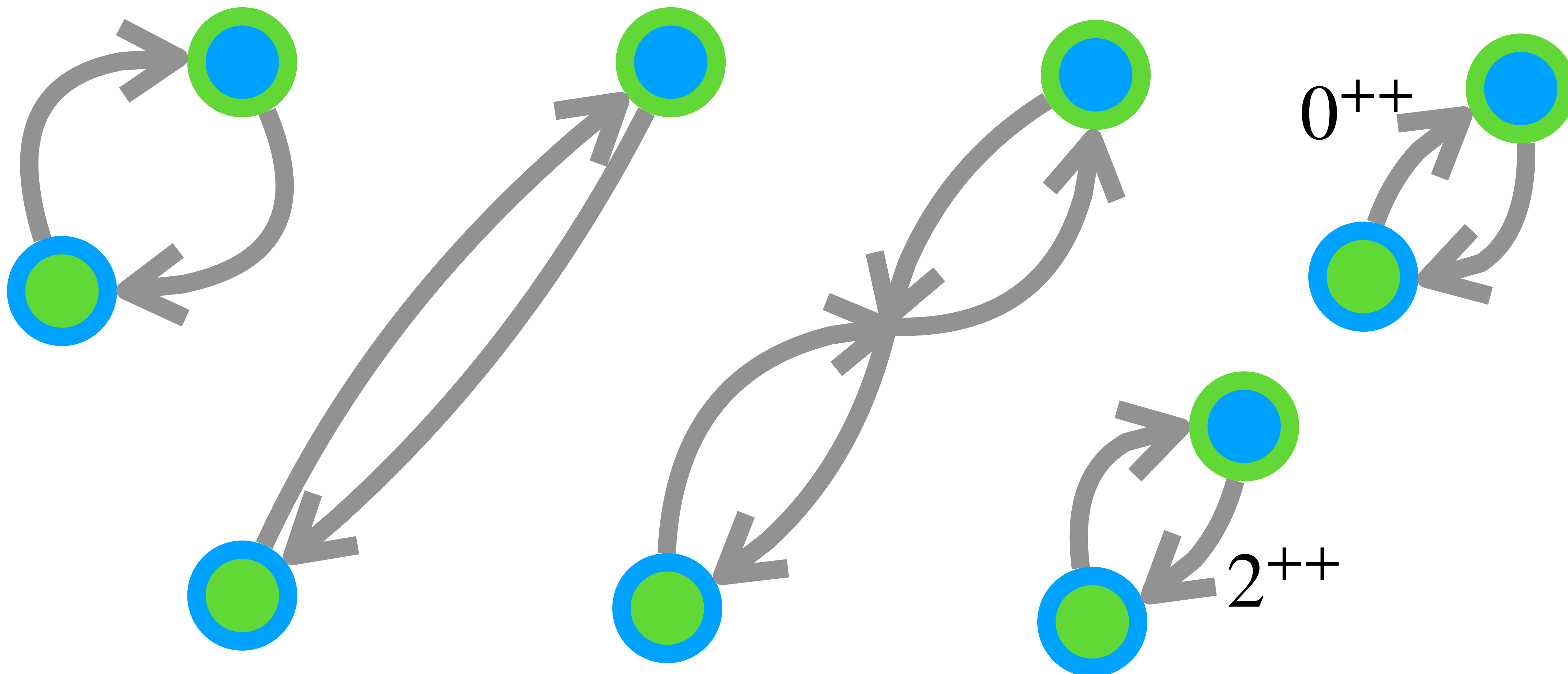
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A: GlueShower

GlueShower

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1. Start with a standard pure glue, virtuality (invariant mass) ordered, angular ordered parton shower

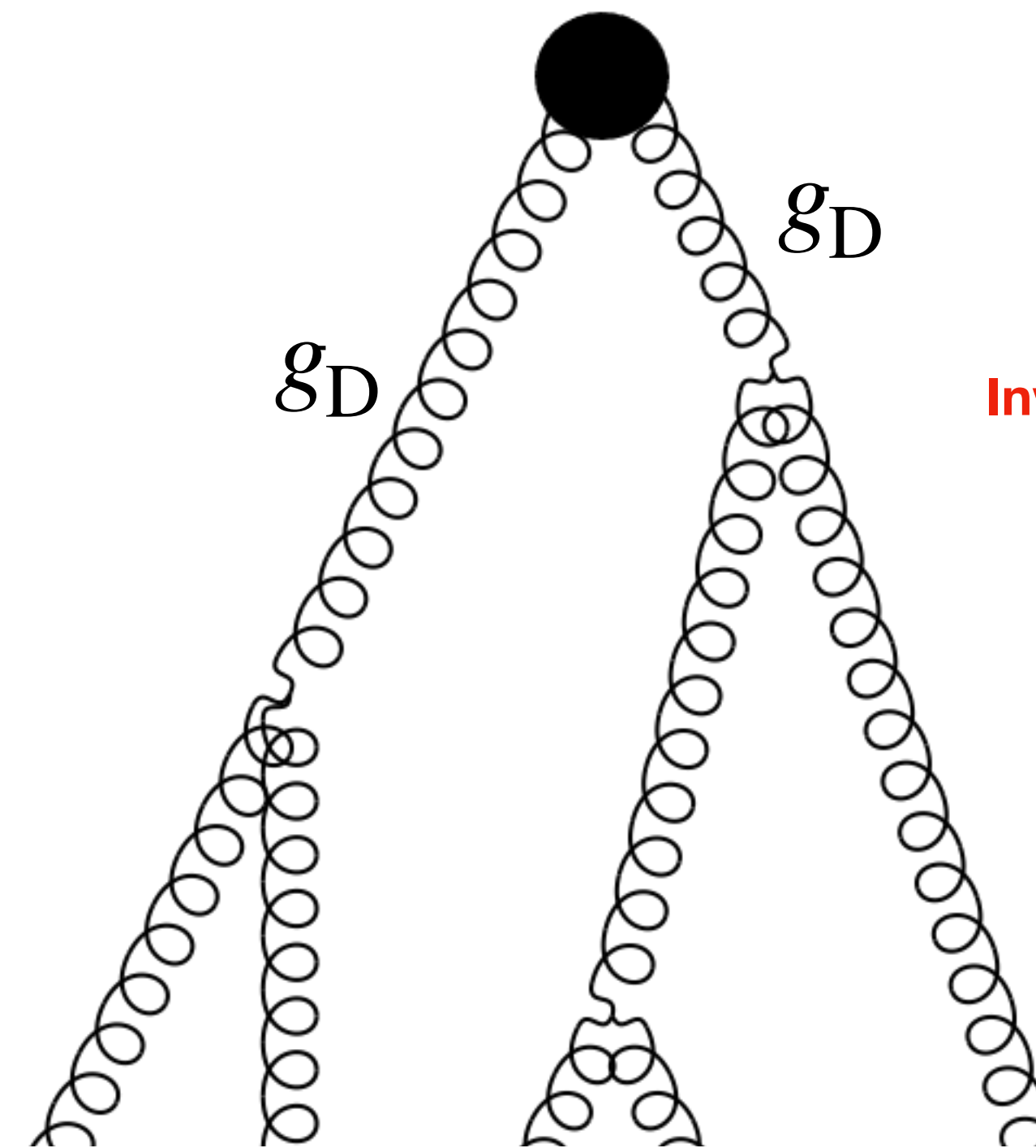
- Probability a gluon evolves from initial virtuality to a smaller virtuality without splitting is given by the Sudakov form factor,

$$\Delta(z) = \exp \left[- \int_{t_0}^t \frac{dt'}{t'} \int dz \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{gg}(z) \right]$$

- If a gluon splits, daughter gluon energies are determined by the gluon-to-gluon splitting

$$\text{function, } P_{gg}(z) = 2N_c \left[\frac{z}{z-1} + \frac{z-1}{z} + z(1-z) \right]$$

2. Stop perturbative splitting once gluons are unable to split with some minimum scale, t_{\min}



Invariant mass of gluons decreases

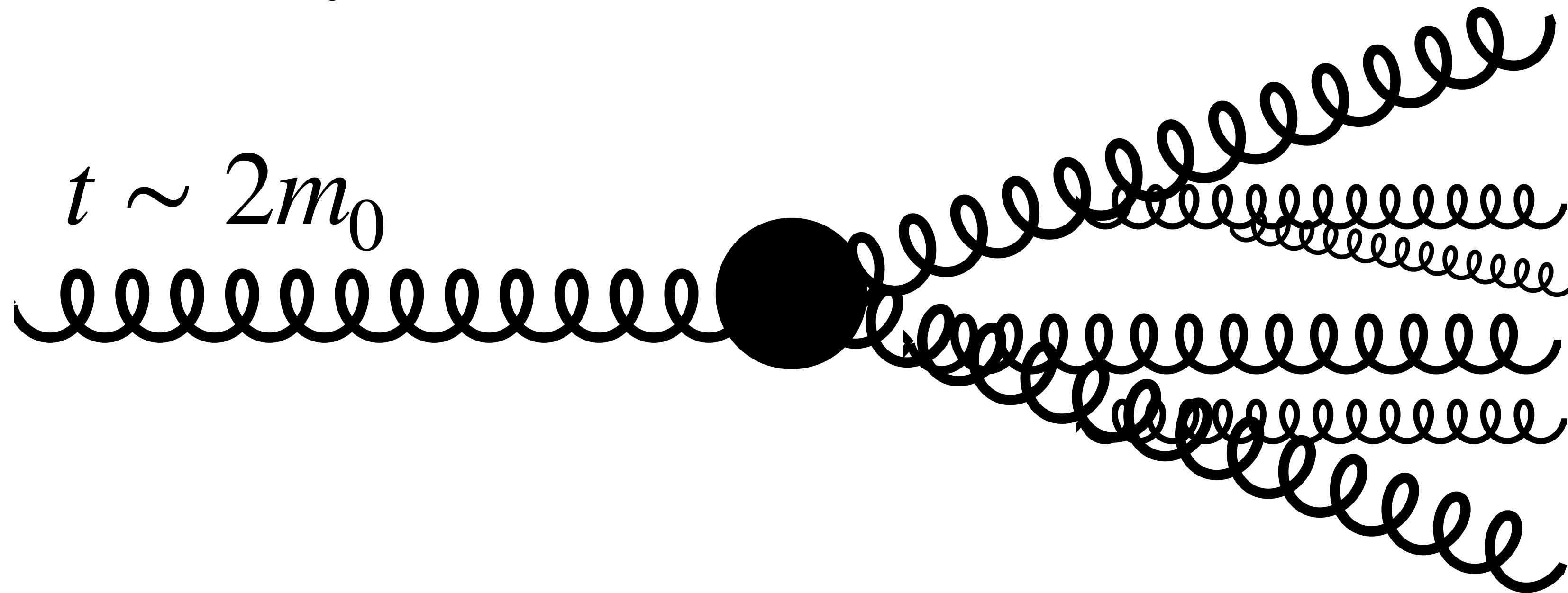
Angular opening of gluon splittings decreases

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3. At end of shower, exploit angular ordering and $m_0 \gg \Lambda$

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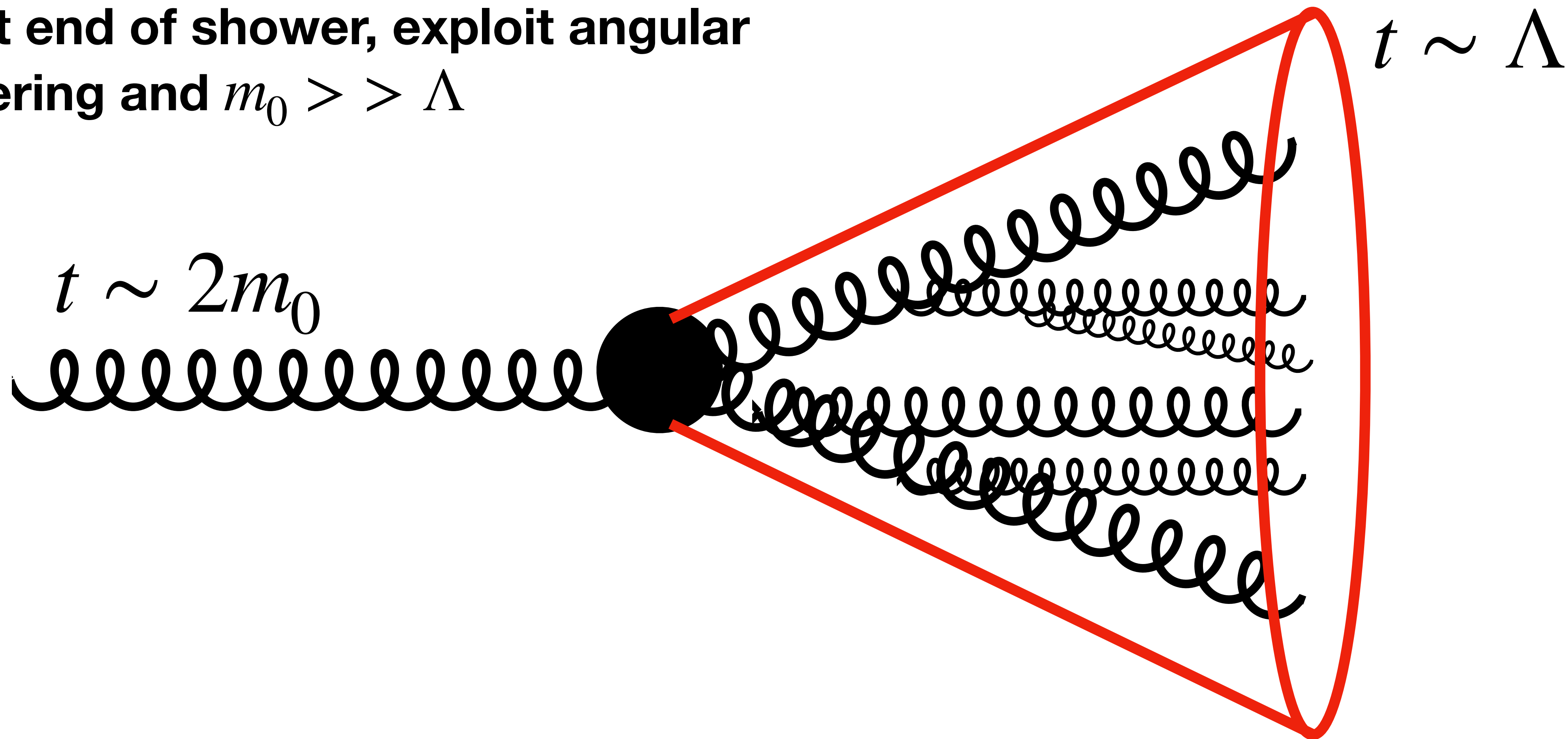


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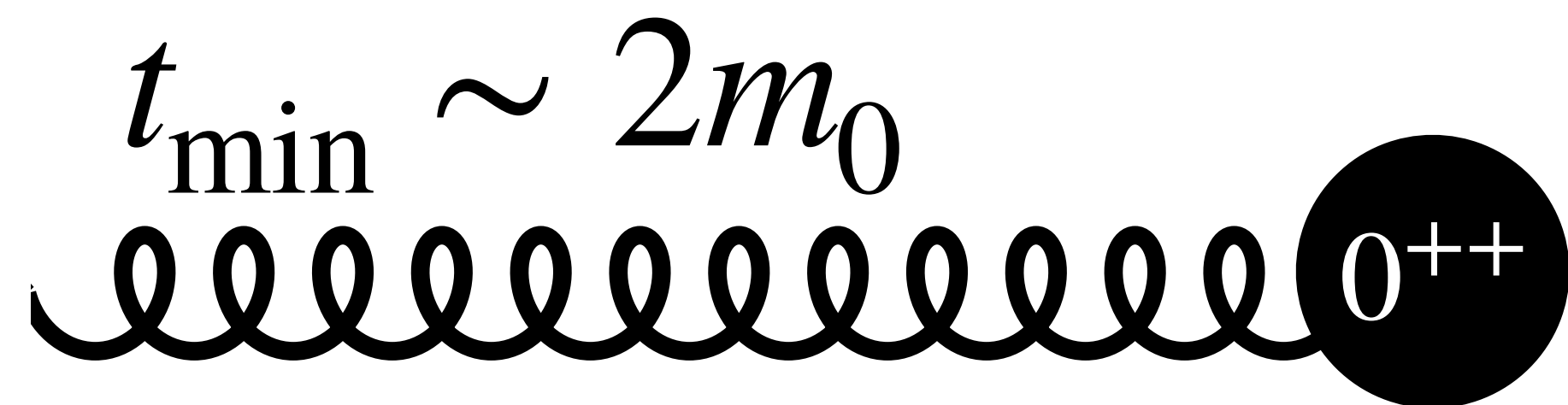
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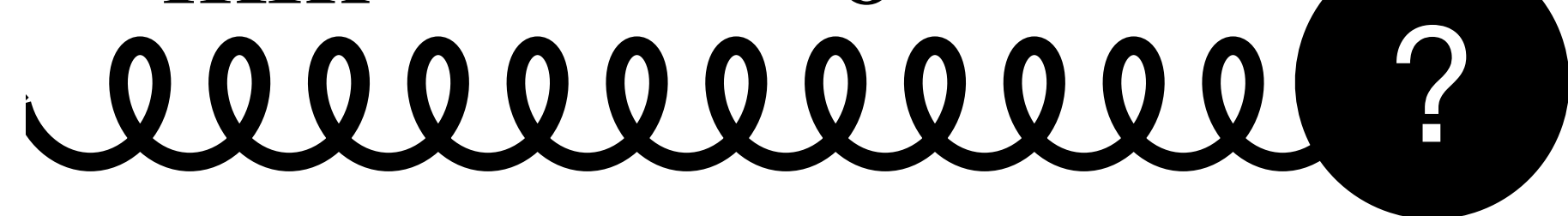


*Note: t_{\min} sets minimum scale a gluon can reach, the gluon usually ends with virtuality $\mathcal{O}(1)$ larger than t_{\min}

**BASIC IDEA:
EVOLVE GLUONS IN
PERTURBATIVE SHOWER
WITH $t_{\min} \sim 2m_0$, AT
WHICH POINT THEY ARE
PUT ONSHELL AS A
GLUEBALL**

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$$t_{\min} \sim 2m_0$$


Also need to include entire spectrum of glueball states, so the **actual glueball species is randomly drawn from an input distribution**

Assumptions

- Since $m_0 \gg \Lambda$, glueball production from flux tube energy density is extremely suppressed
- Additionally, soft gluon effects (long range interactions) between gluon branches will only lead to $p \sim \Lambda \gg m_0$ momenta exchange, subdominant effect
 - Implicitly this has to occur to ensure colour singlet states can form from the perturbative gluon
- Glueball hadronization is independent on each branch
- Input distribution is thermal (motivated by SM QCD thermal production):

$$P_J \propto (2J + 1) \left(\frac{m_J}{m_0} \right)^{3/2} e^{-(m_J/m_0)/T_{\text{had}}}$$

Uncertainties


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- How sensitive is our shower to the exact hadronization temperature we assume for the Boltzmann distribution? $T_{\text{had}} = d \Lambda, d \sim \mathcal{O}(1) > 1$
- Can we guarantee that glueball production occurs independently? Consider two possibilities... JET MODE and PLASMA MODE

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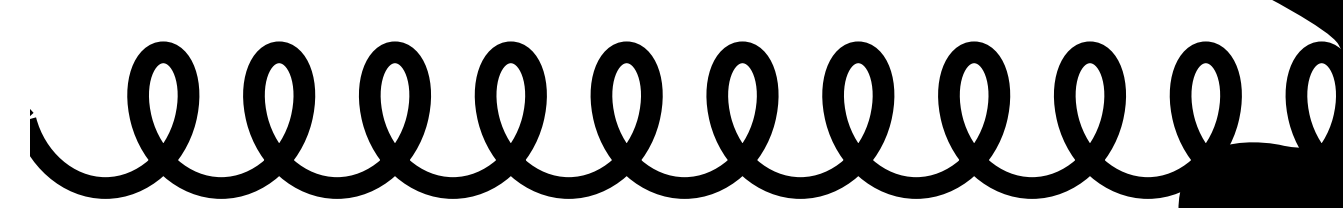
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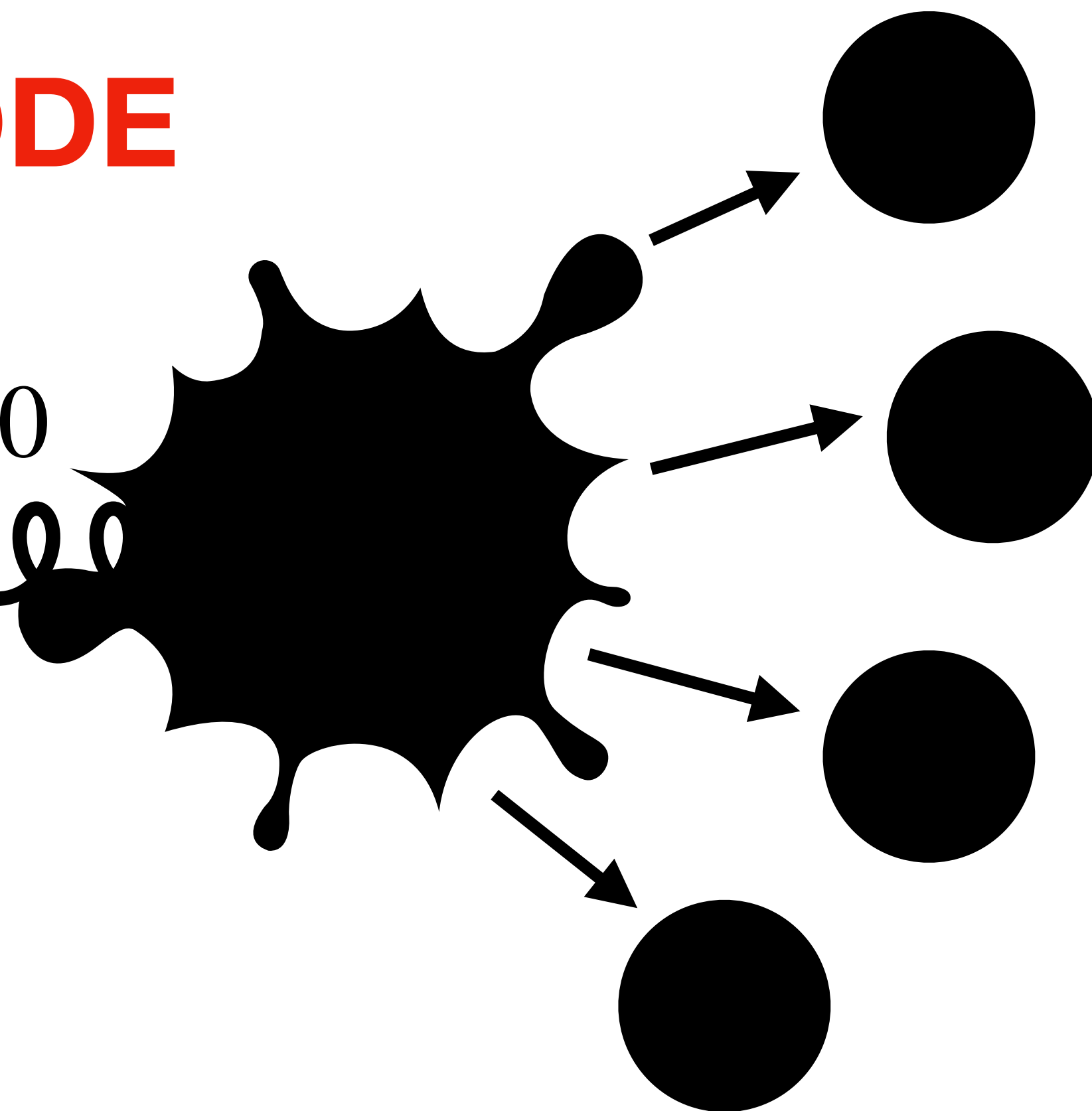
$$t_{\min} \sim 2 c m_0$$


Previous we assumed $c \sim 1$, thus a single glueball can only be produced

Uncertainties

PLASMA MODE

$$t_{\min} \gg m_0$$




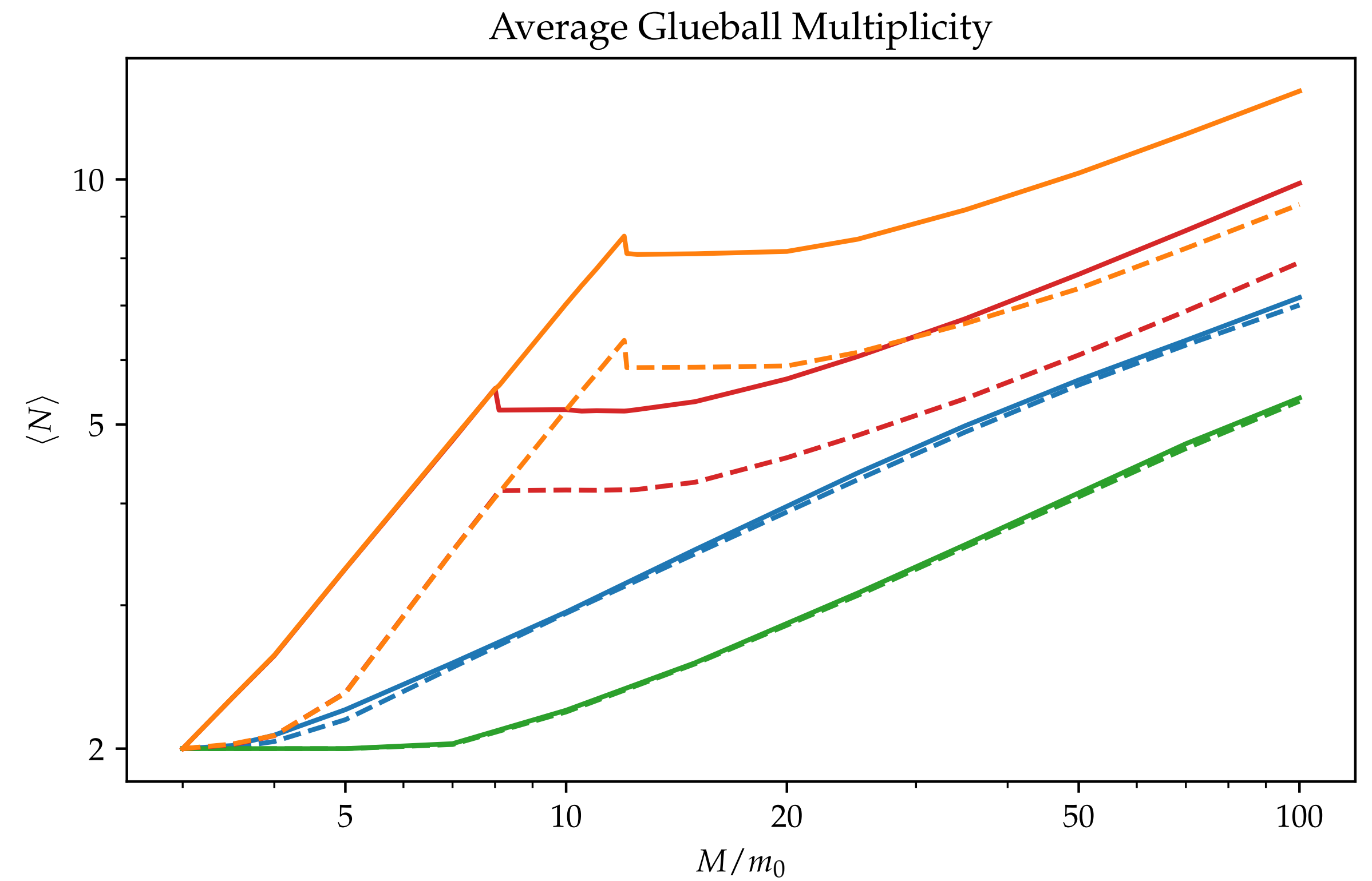
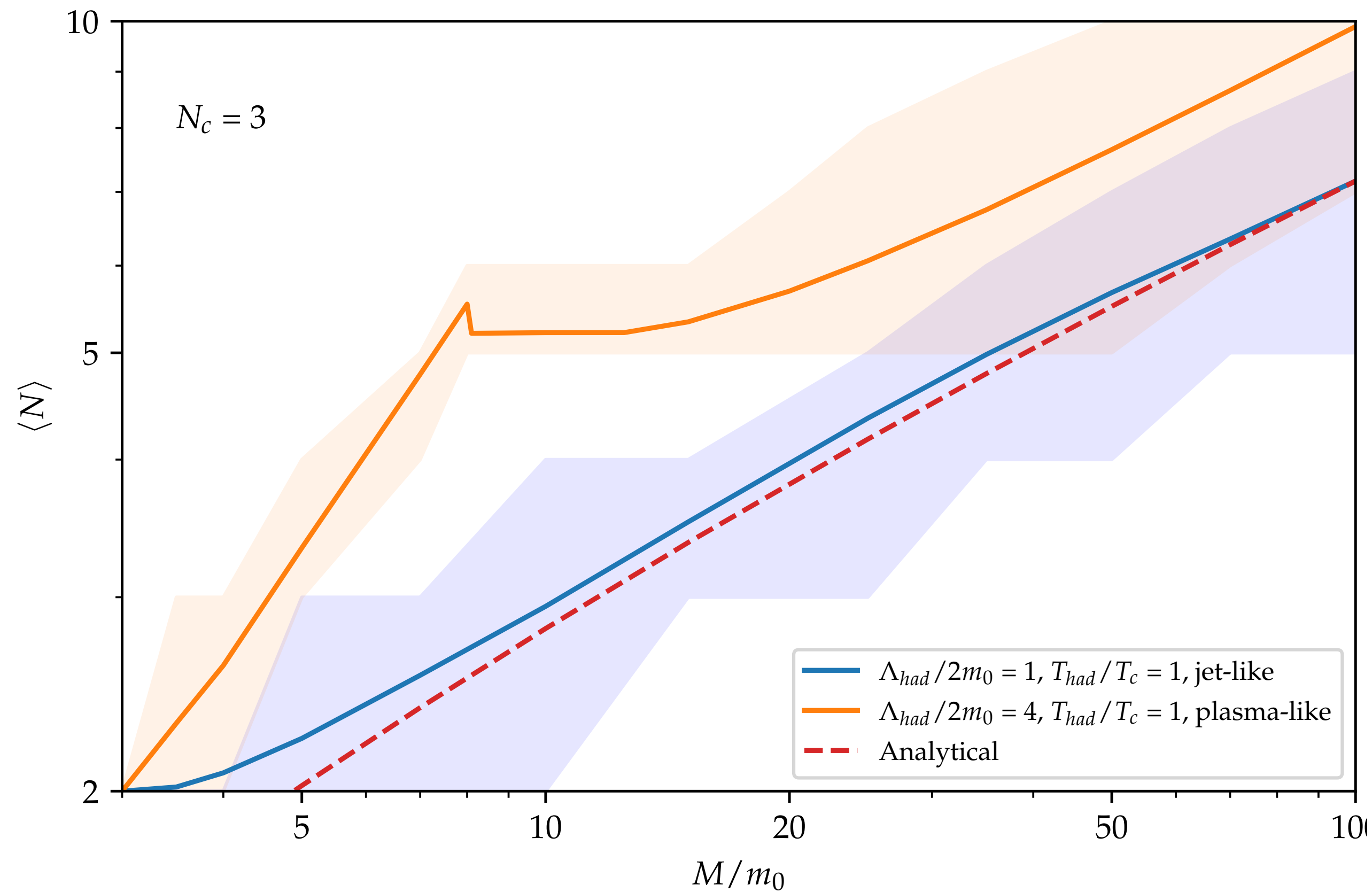
**High mass pure
glue fireball,
evaporates via
isotropic thermal
emission
(QGP-like)**

GlueShower: Summary

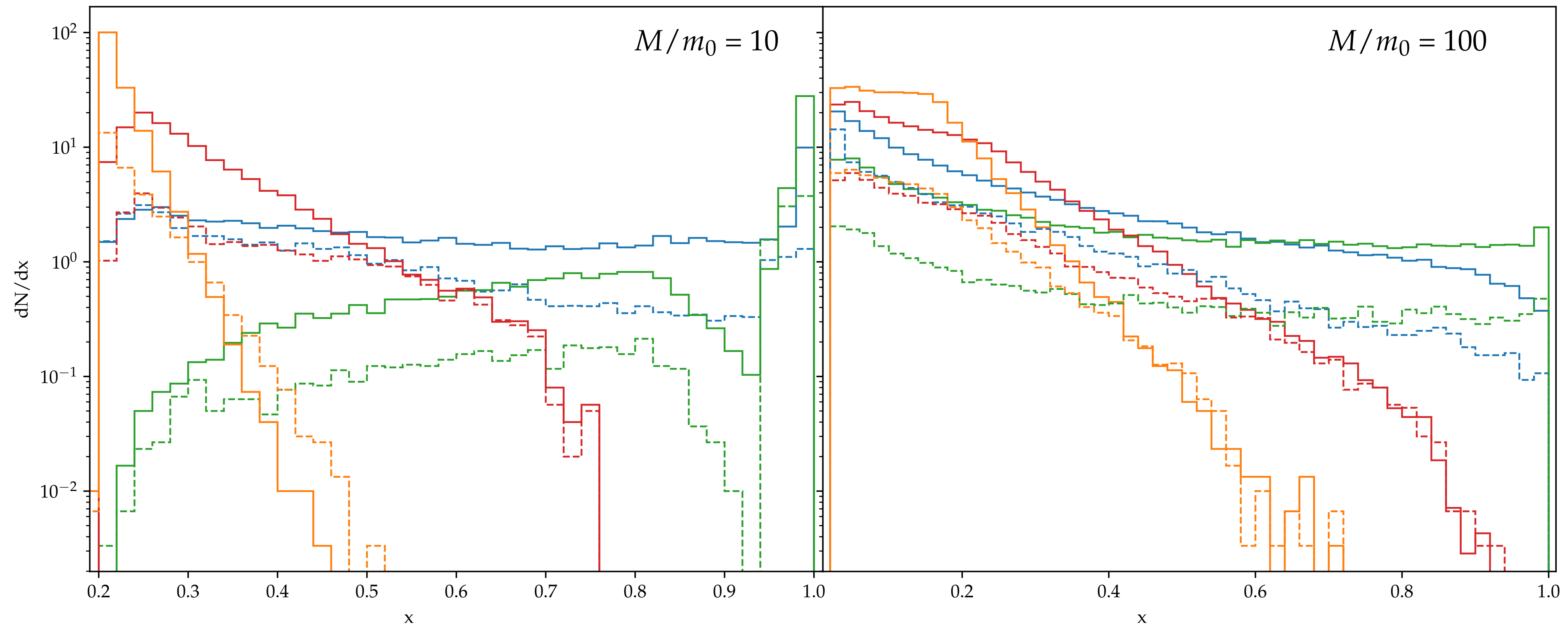
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- **First version of the hadronization algorithm still very useful**
 - **Contains all the perturbative physics, and motivated assumptions**
- **Publicly available Python code, <https://github.com/davidrcurtin/GlueShower>**
- **We provide a range of benchmark parameter points, {JET/PLASMA , Λ_{had} , T_{had} }, allowing the user to bracket over hadronization possibilities**
 - **First attempt to quantify theory uncertainty on glueball production**

GlueShower: Multiplicity scaling



GlueShower: Fragmentation Functions



A vast field of stars and galaxies in various colors (red, blue, yellow, white) against a black background. The stars are of different sizes and brightness, some showing diffraction spikes. A few galaxies are visible, including a prominent yellowish one on the right side.

Q: Can we do better?

An Updated Hadronization Methodology

arXiv: 2310.13731 (with A. Batz, T. Cohen, D. Curtin, G.D. Kribs)

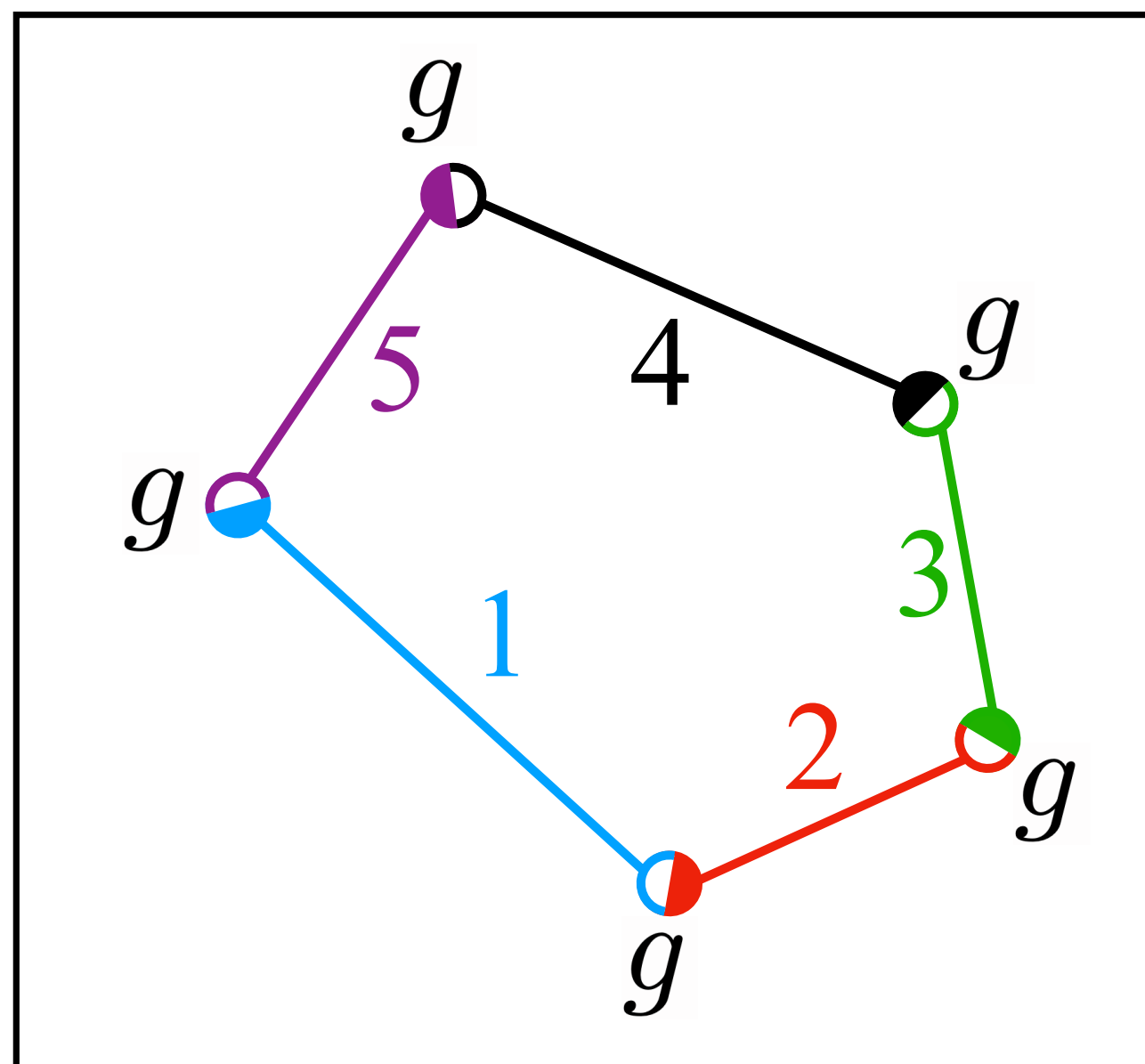
- **Built from the Pythia perturbative shower code**
 - **Orders of magnitude faster**
- **Works with the colour flux rings, not just perturbative gluons**
- **Process:**

Perturbative Shower → Color Reconnection → Glueball fragmentation

Perturbative Shower

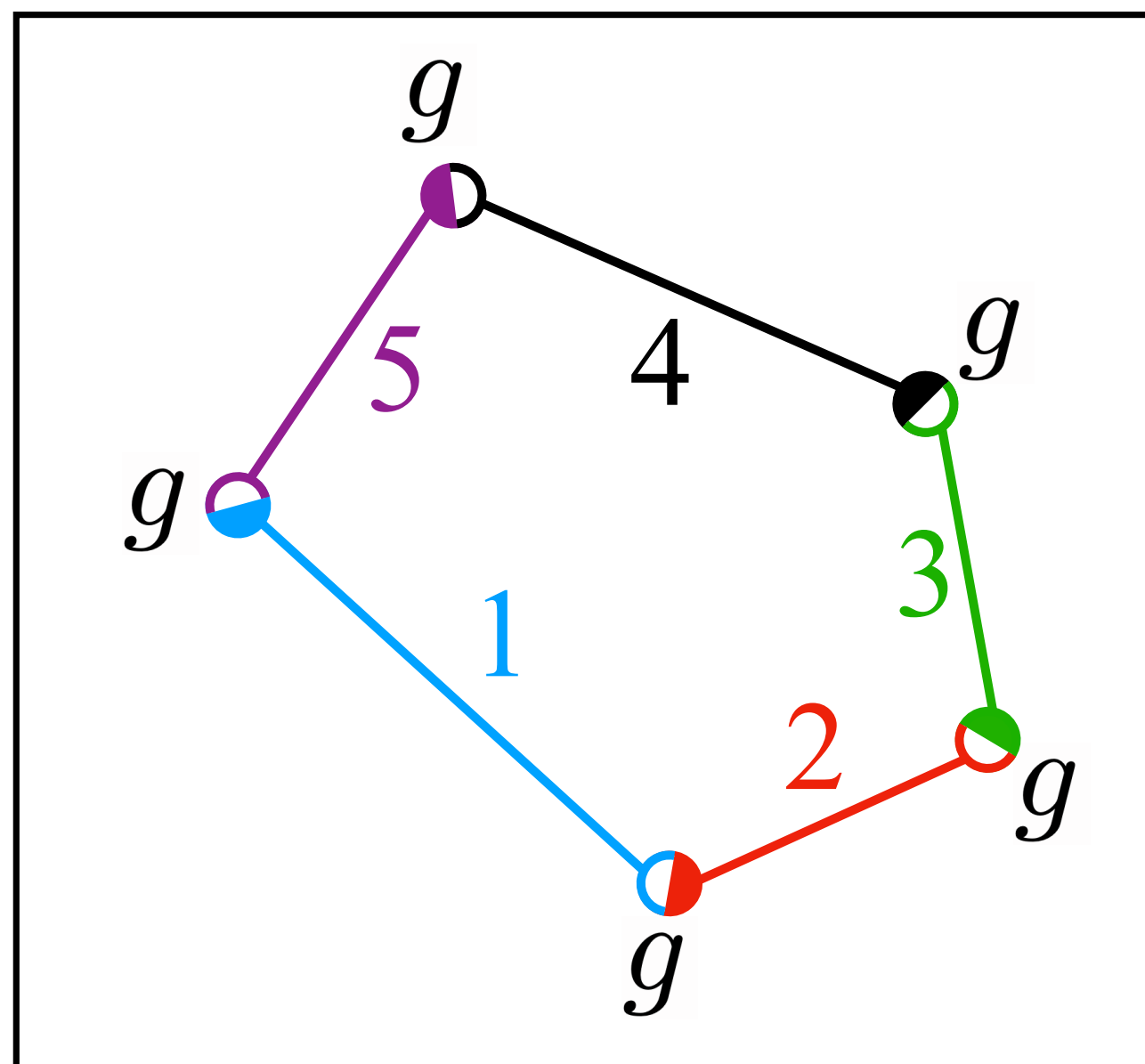
- Builds off the standard Pythia 8 p_T -ordered shower
- Partons evolve to reach momenta cutoff, $p_T \sim c\Lambda$
- Parton shower evolves in the $N_c \rightarrow \infty$ “leading-colour” approximation
- Each parton is given a unique colour assignment until end of shower
- Note that GlueShower also uses the leading-colour limit, but here the colour assignments are actually tracked

Color Reconnection

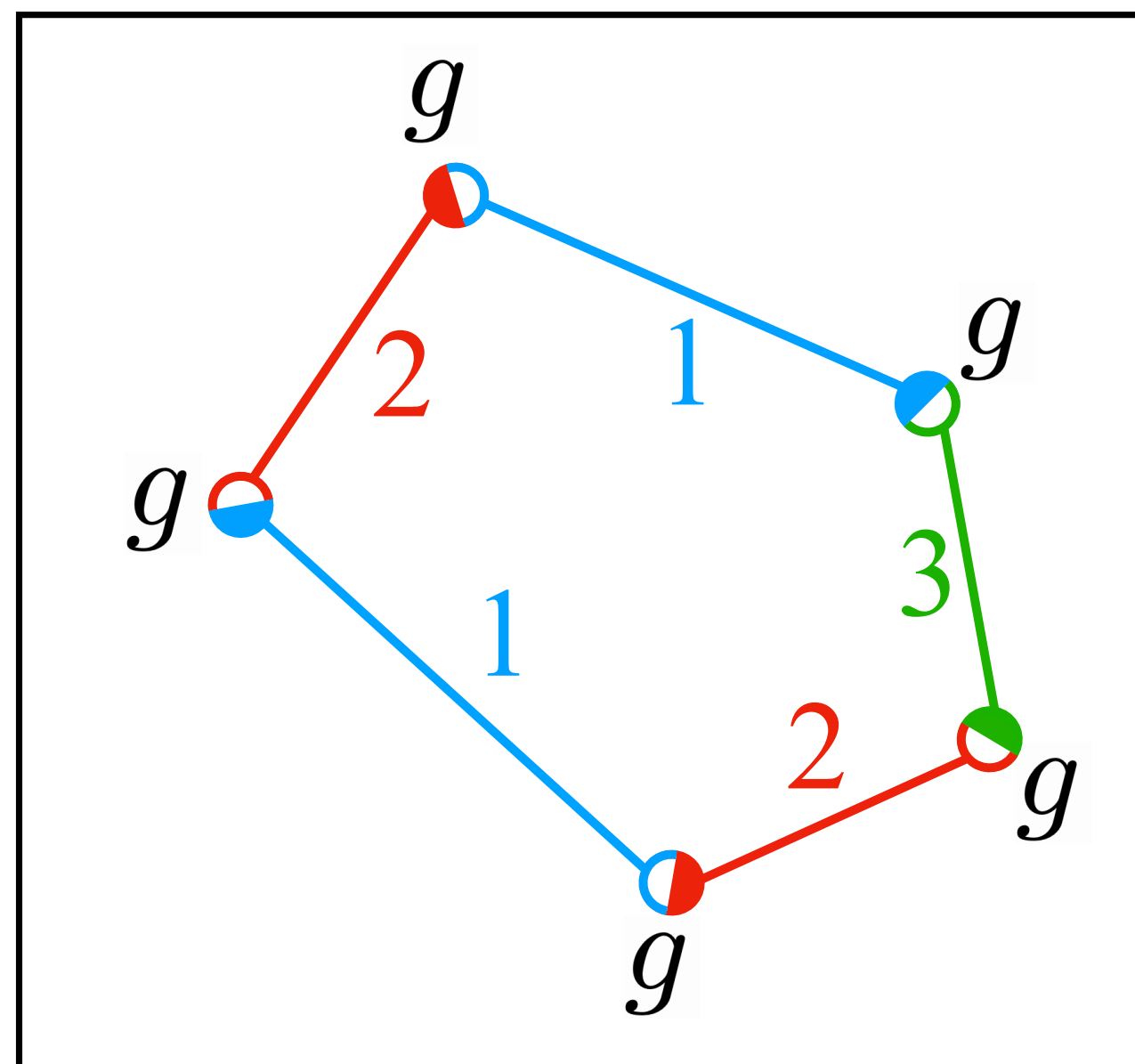


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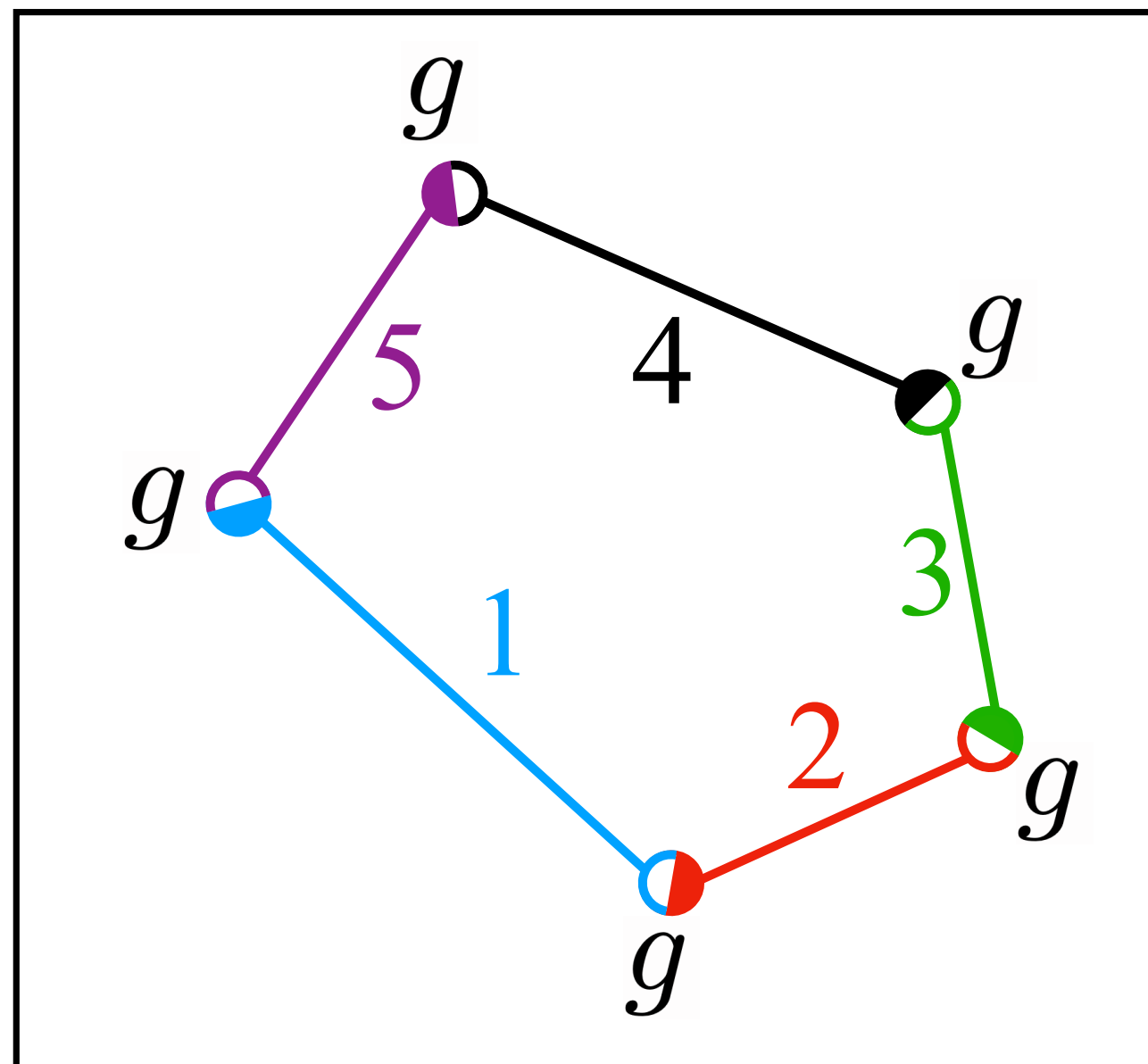


Gluons evolve in the perturbative shower in the $N_c \rightarrow \infty$ limit

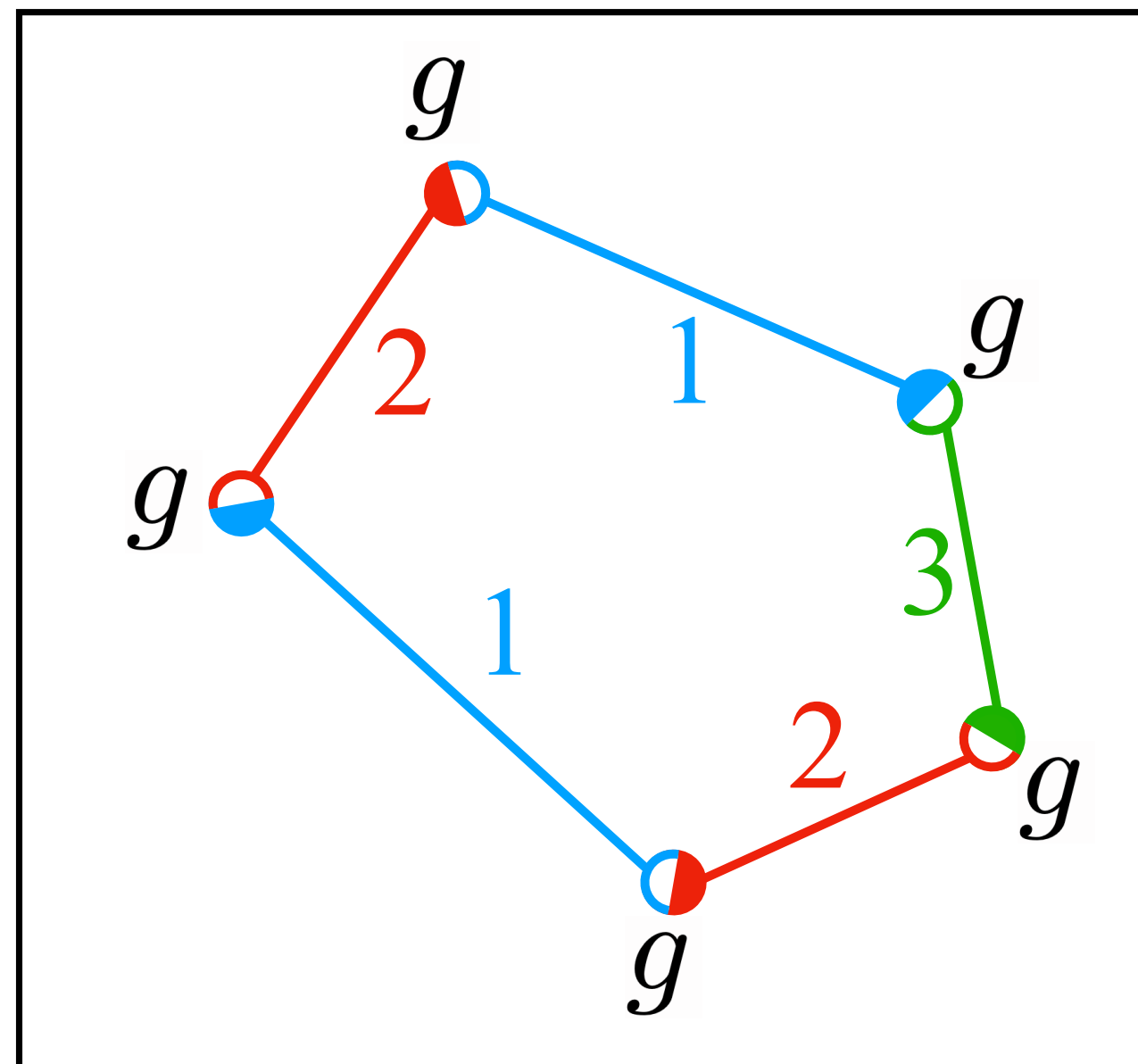


String pieces are randomly reassigned color in the $N_c = 3$ limit

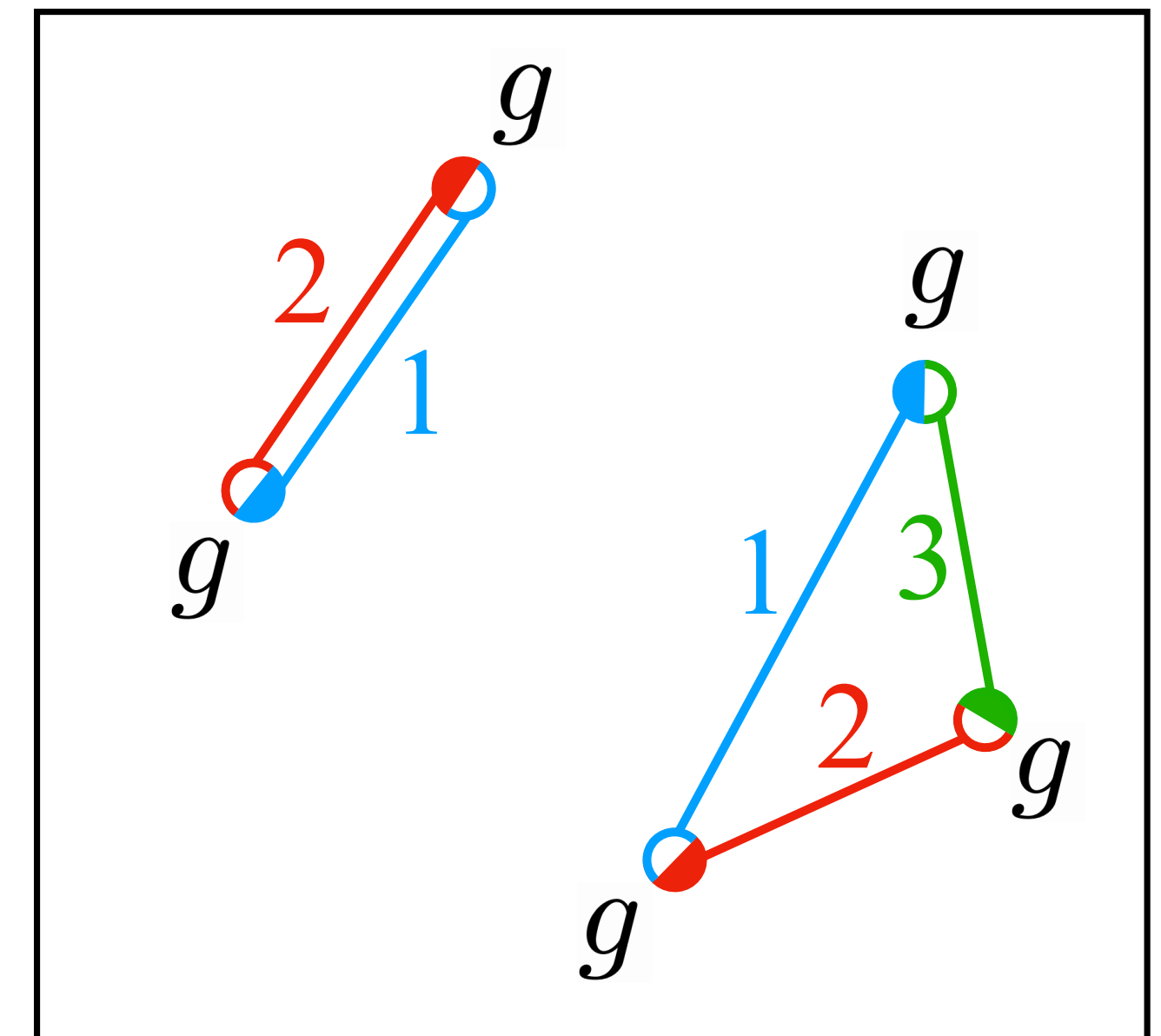
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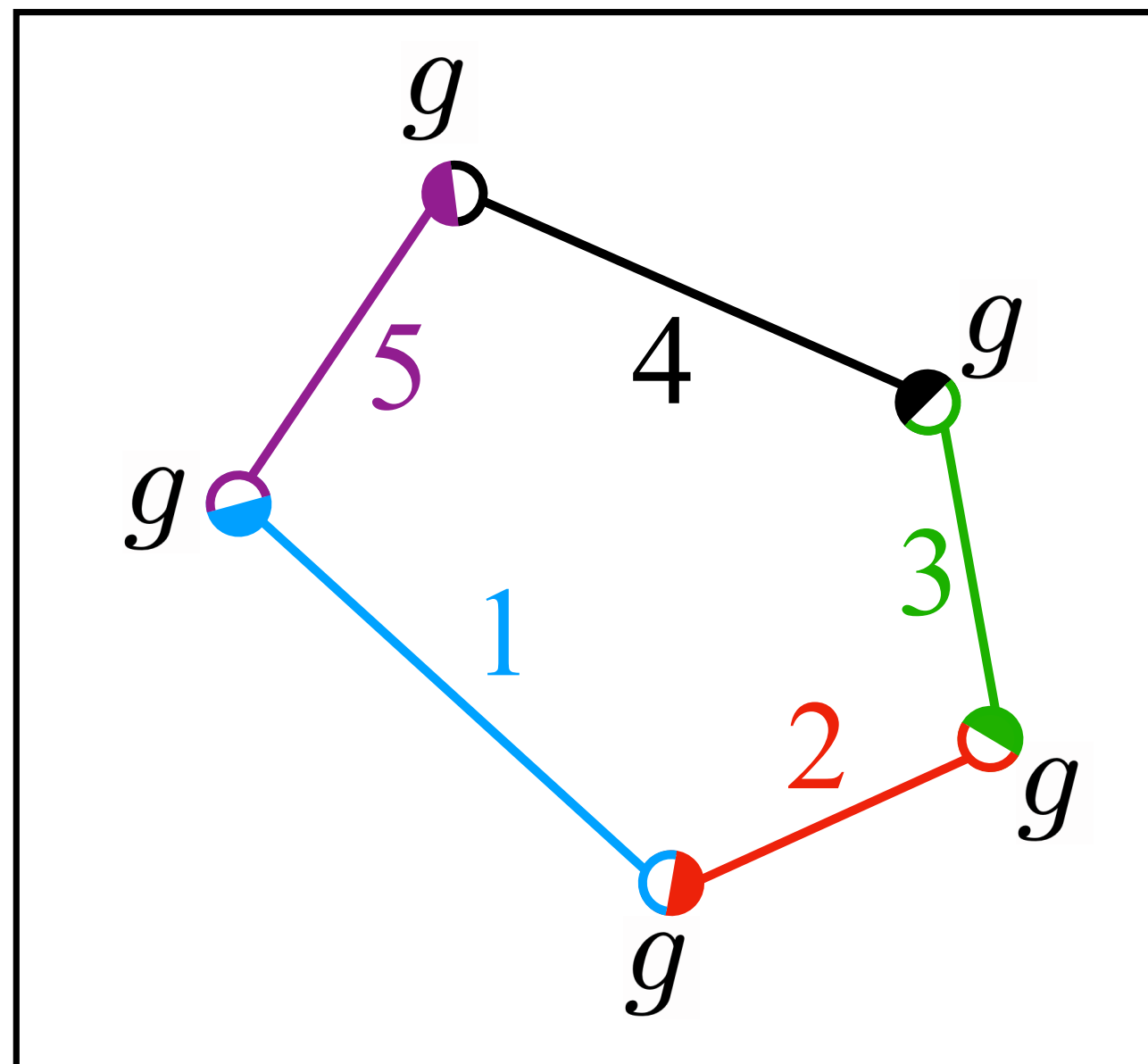
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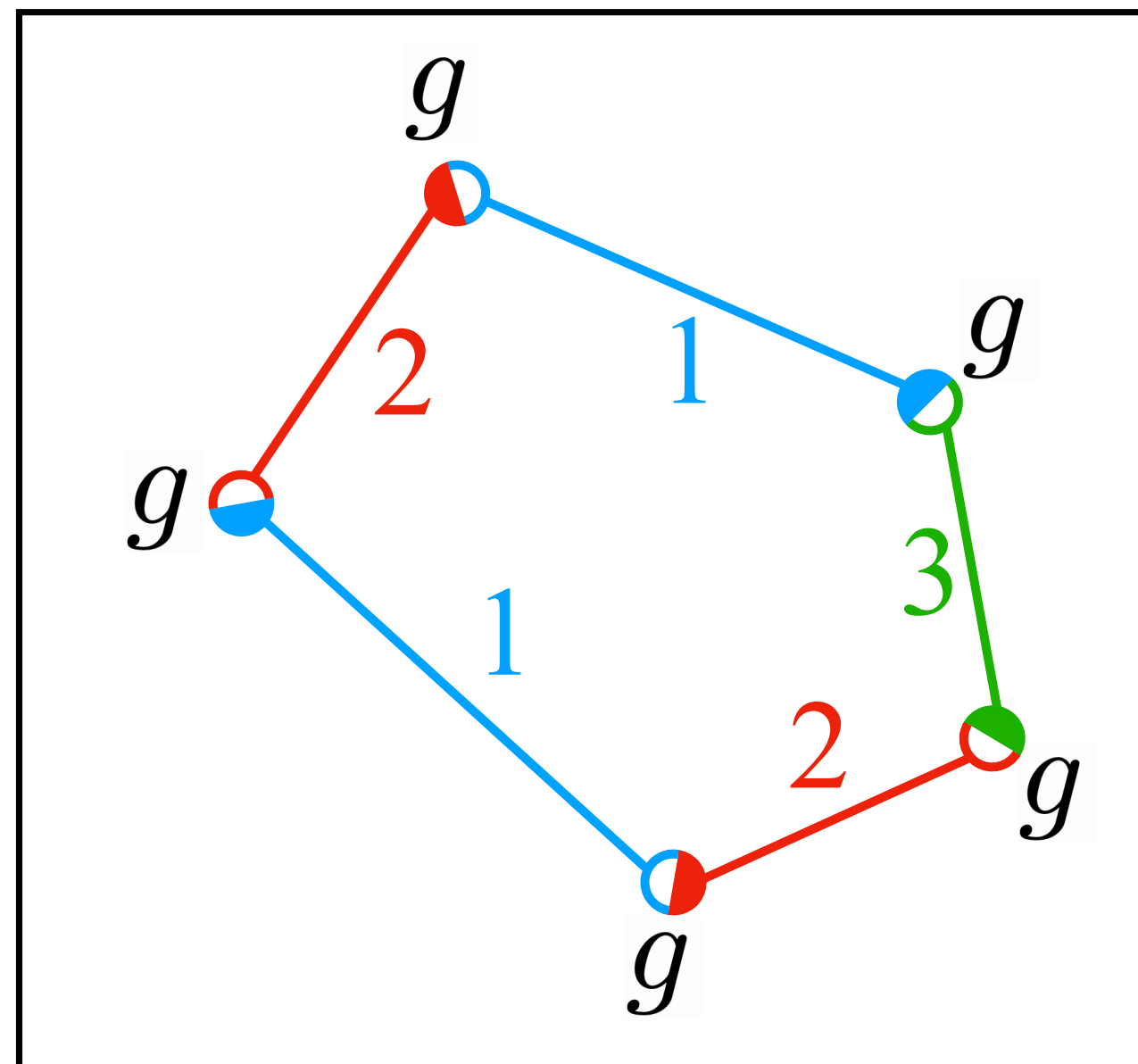
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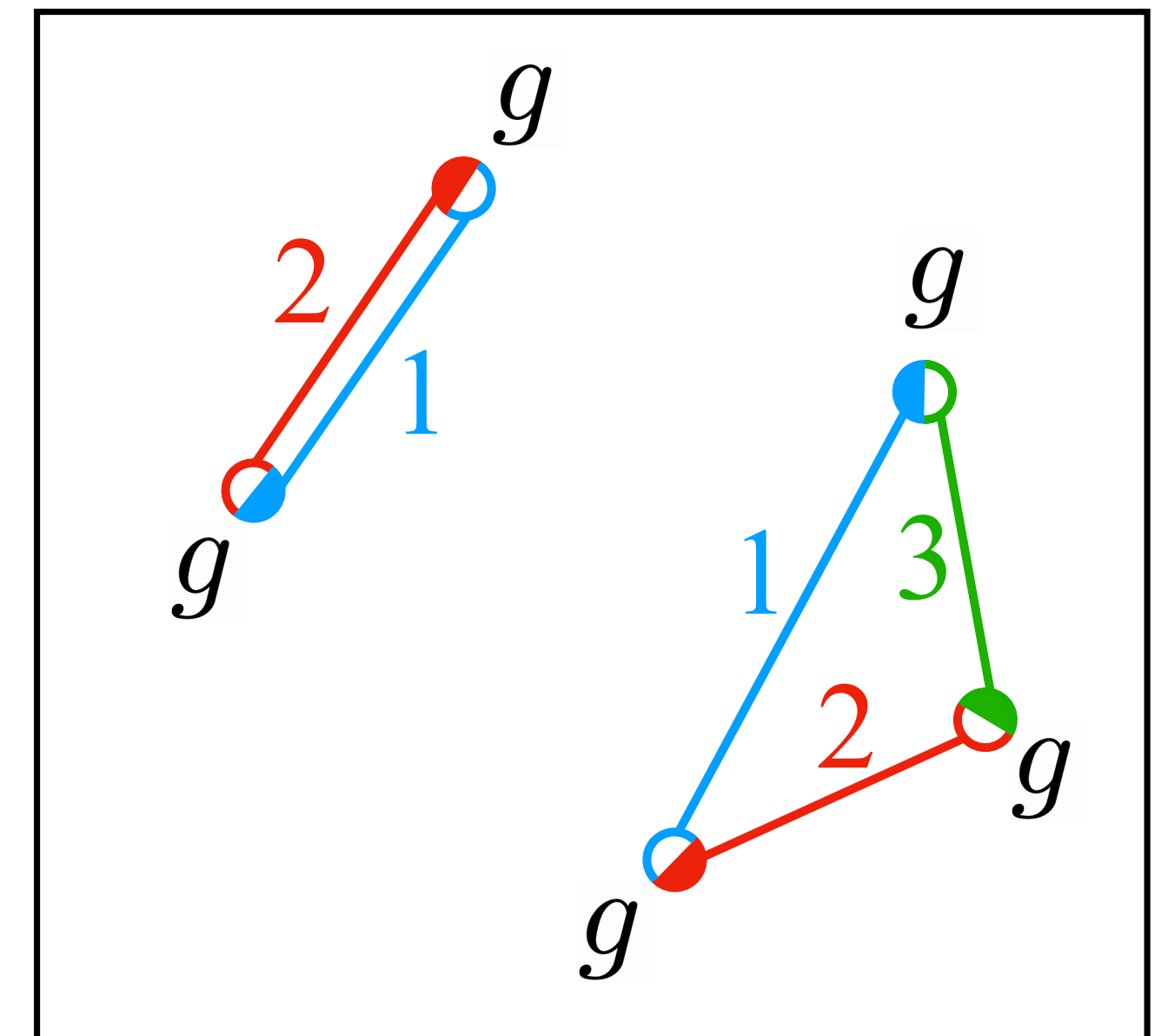
Color Reconnection



Gluons evolve in the perturbative shower in the $N_c \rightarrow \infty$ limit



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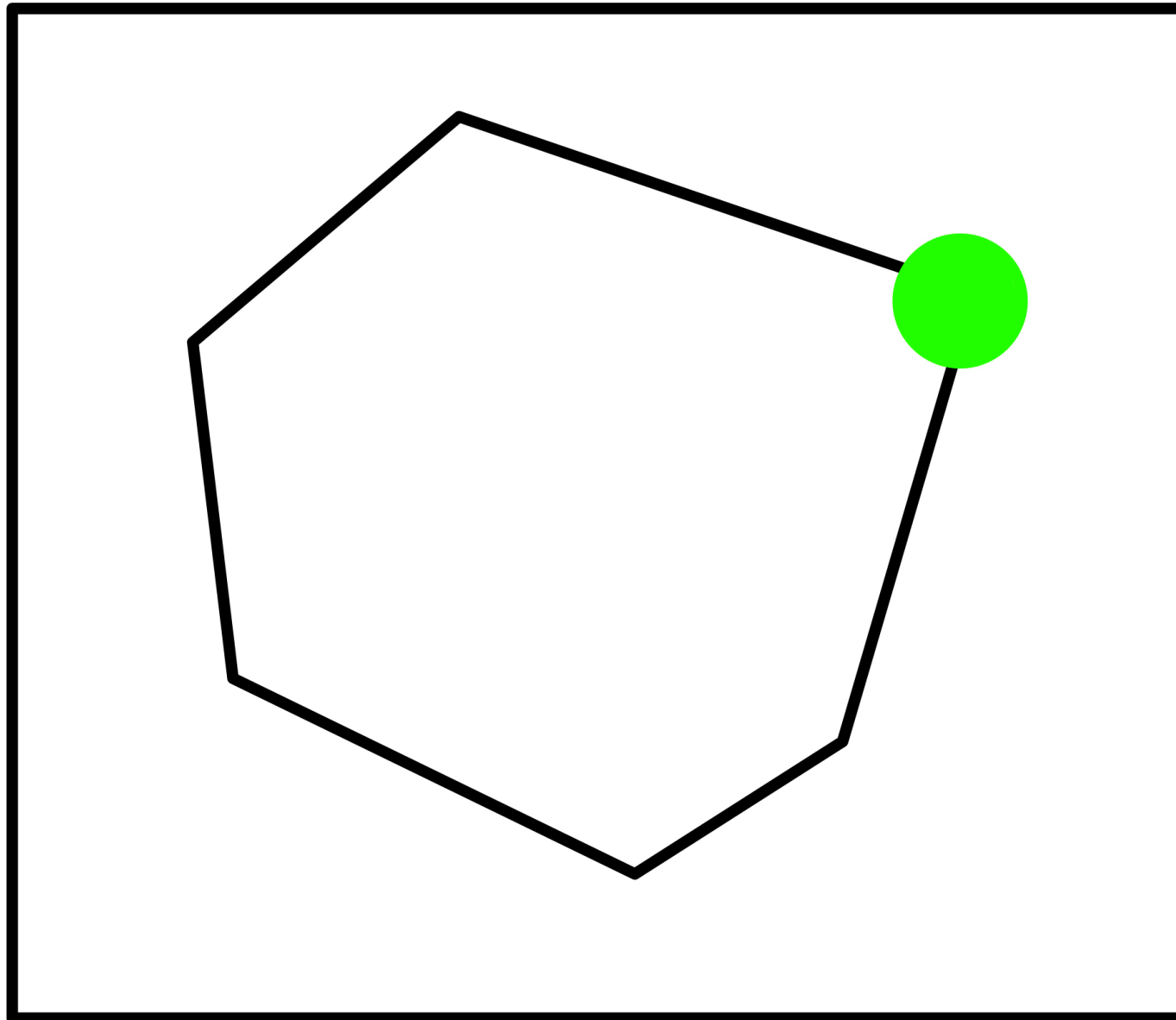


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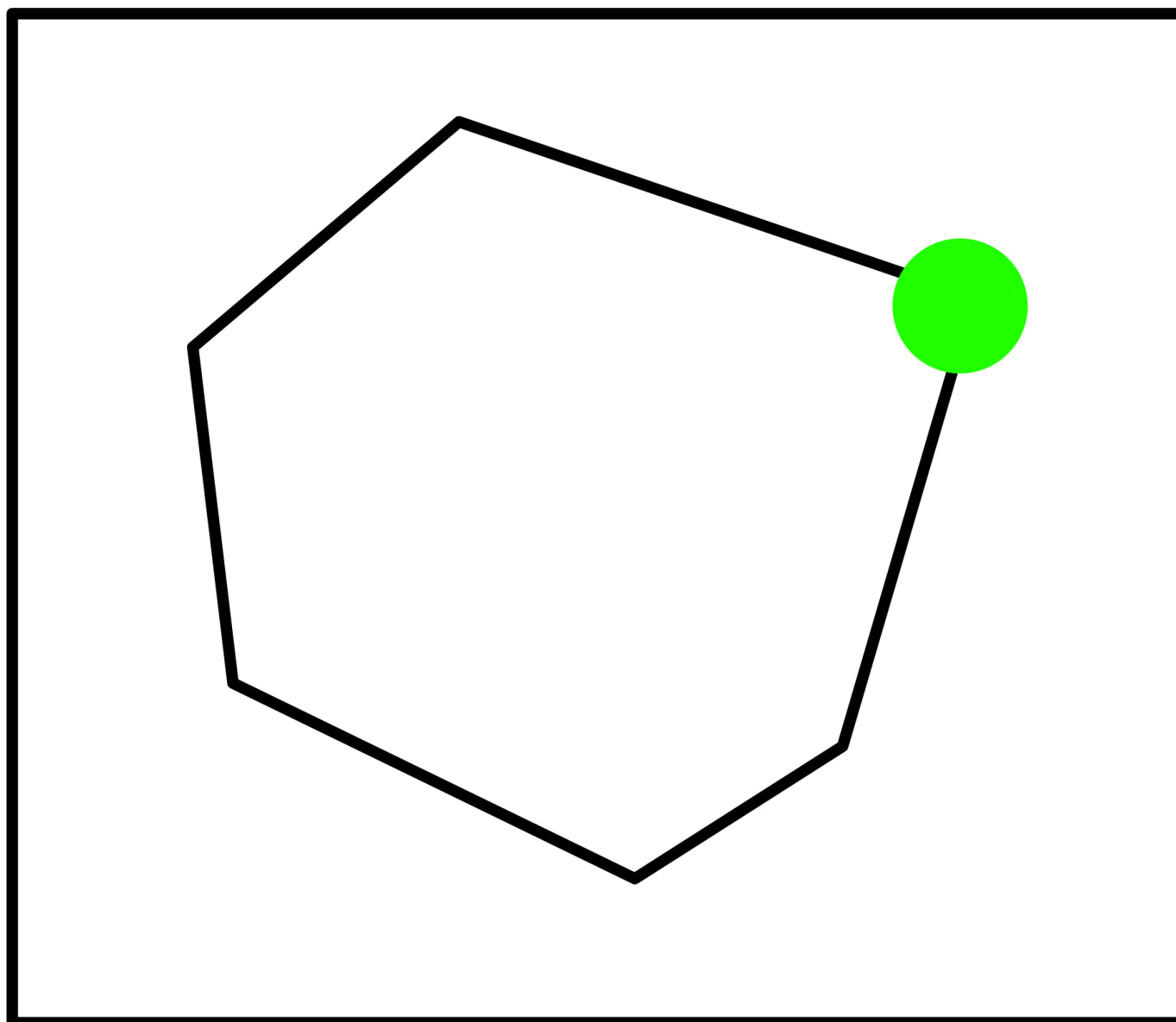
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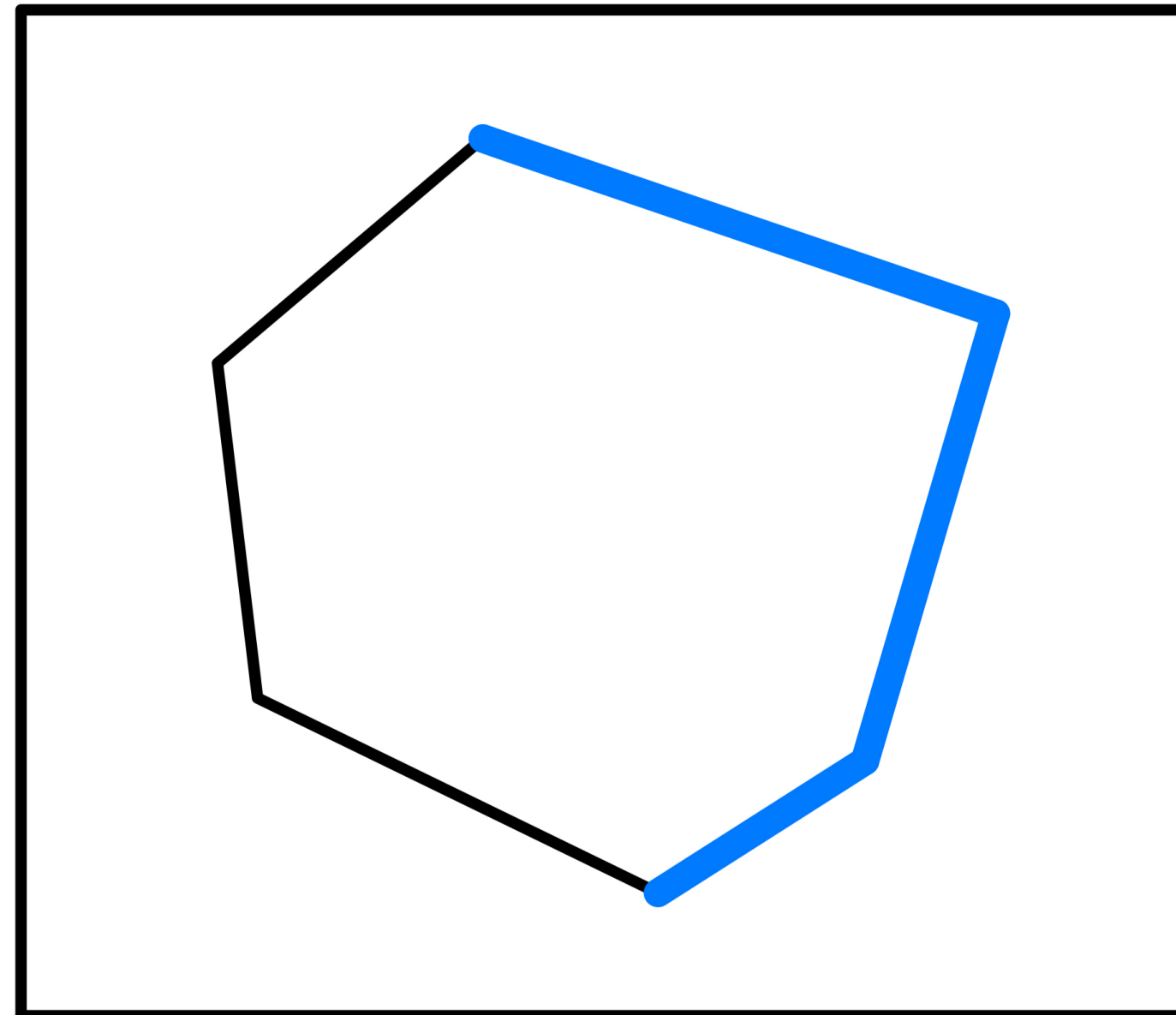


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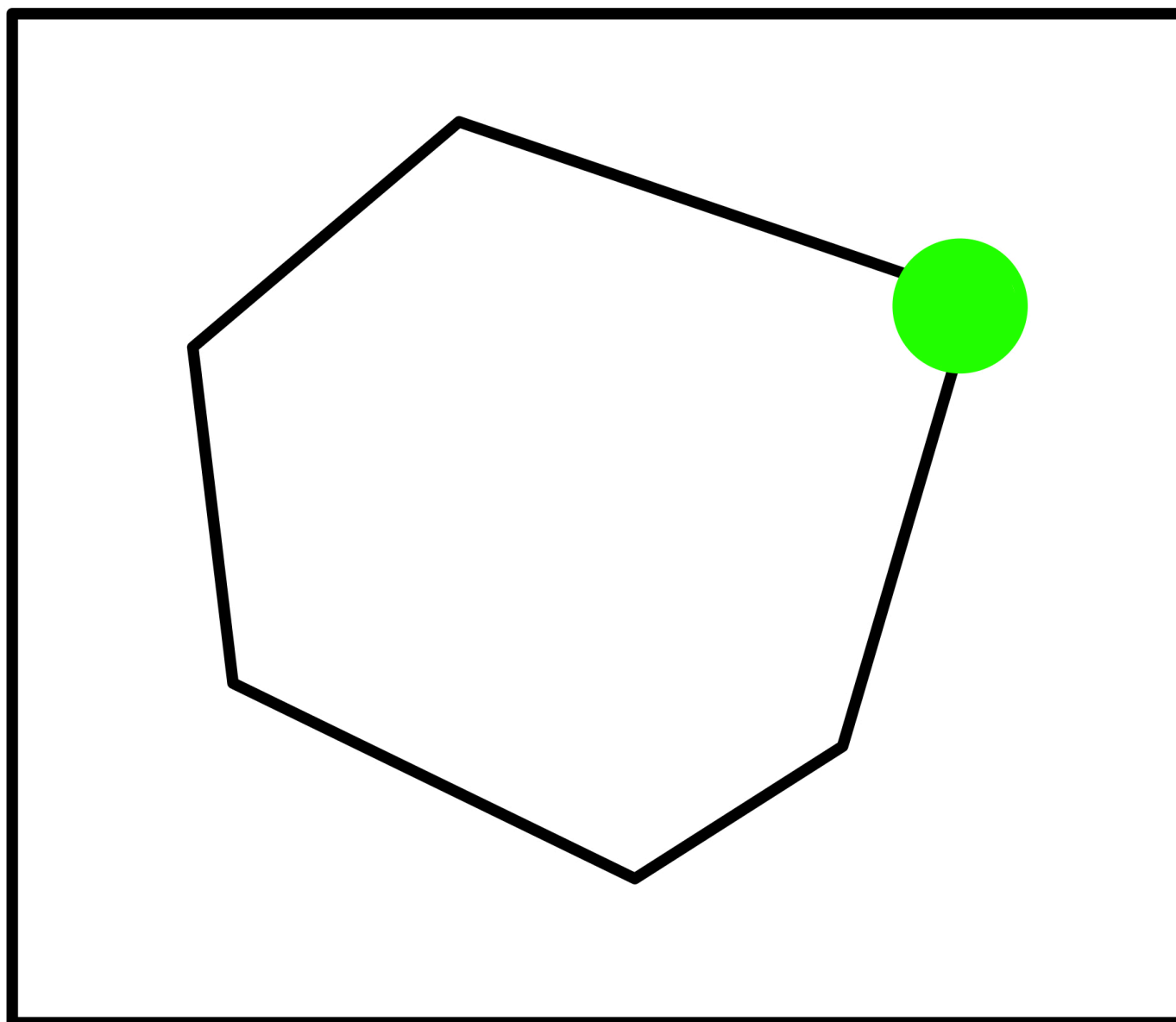


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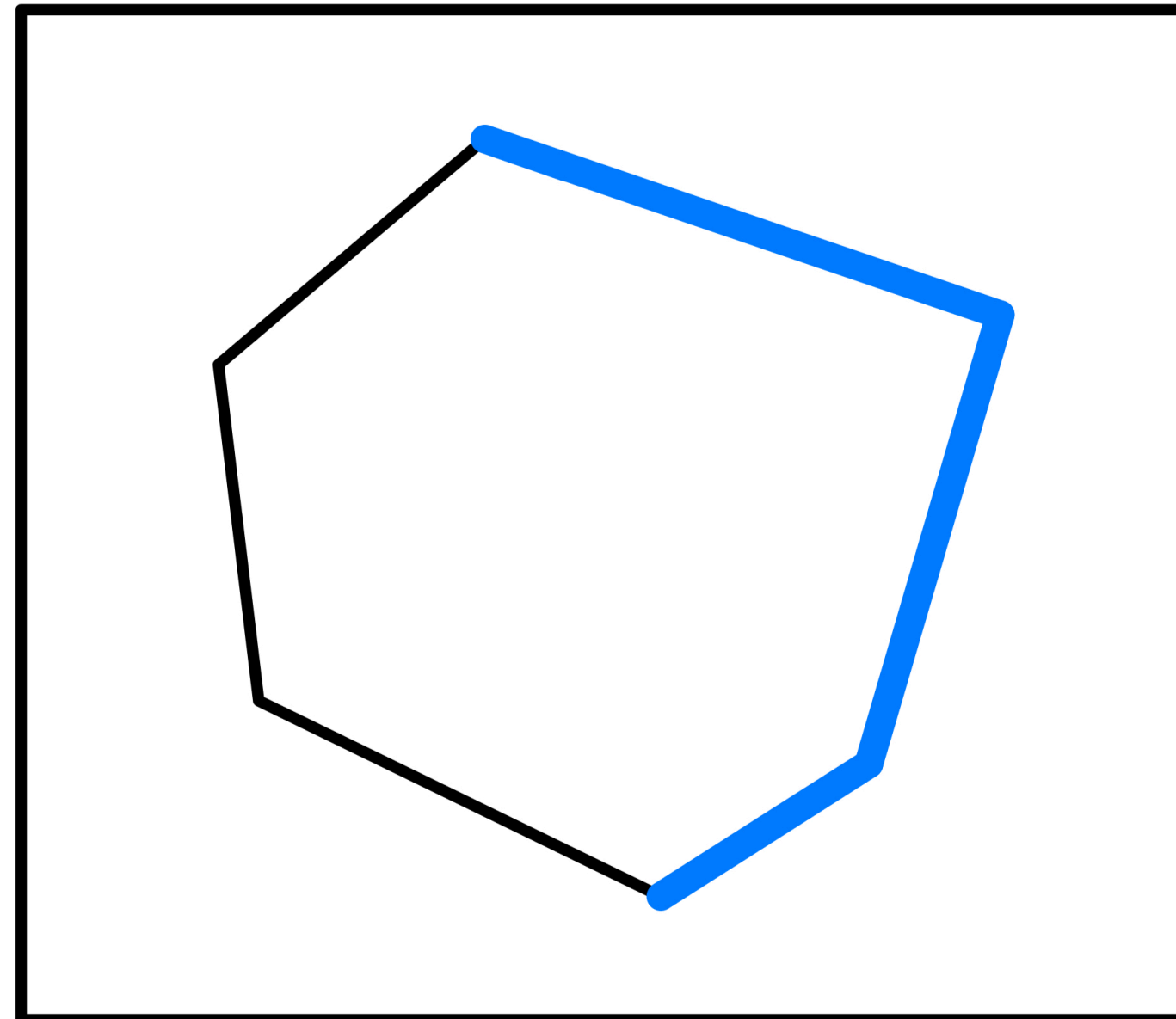


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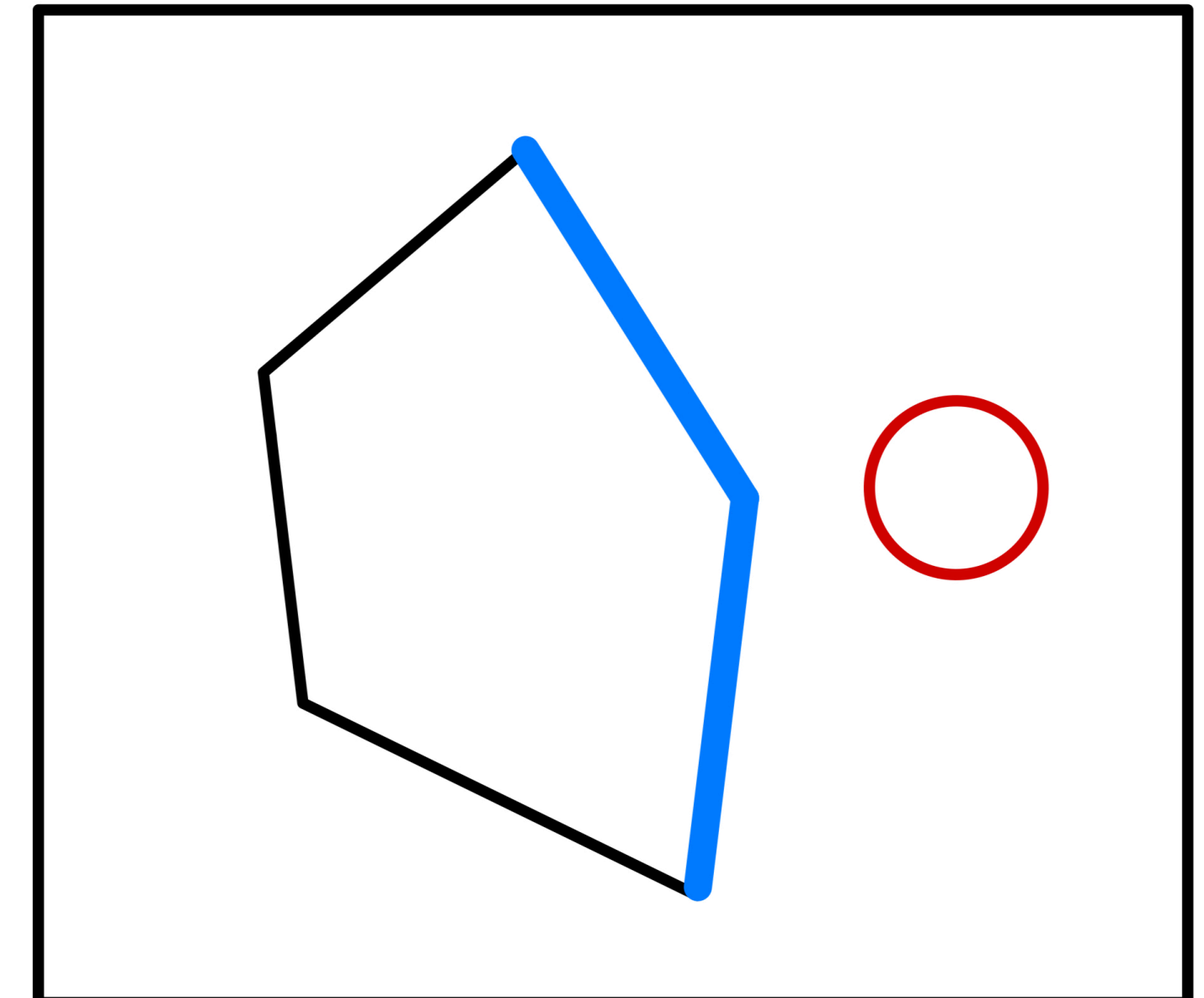
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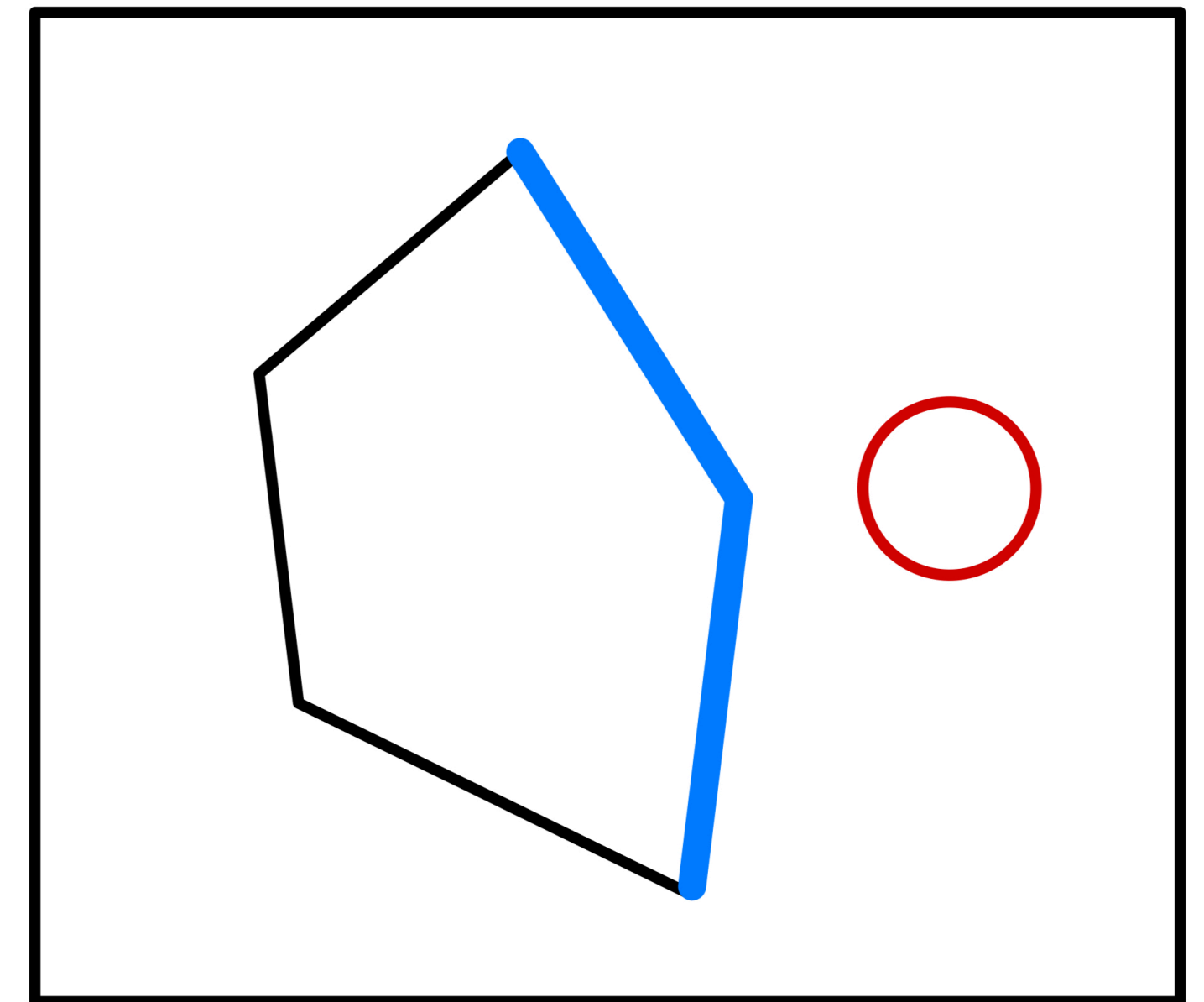
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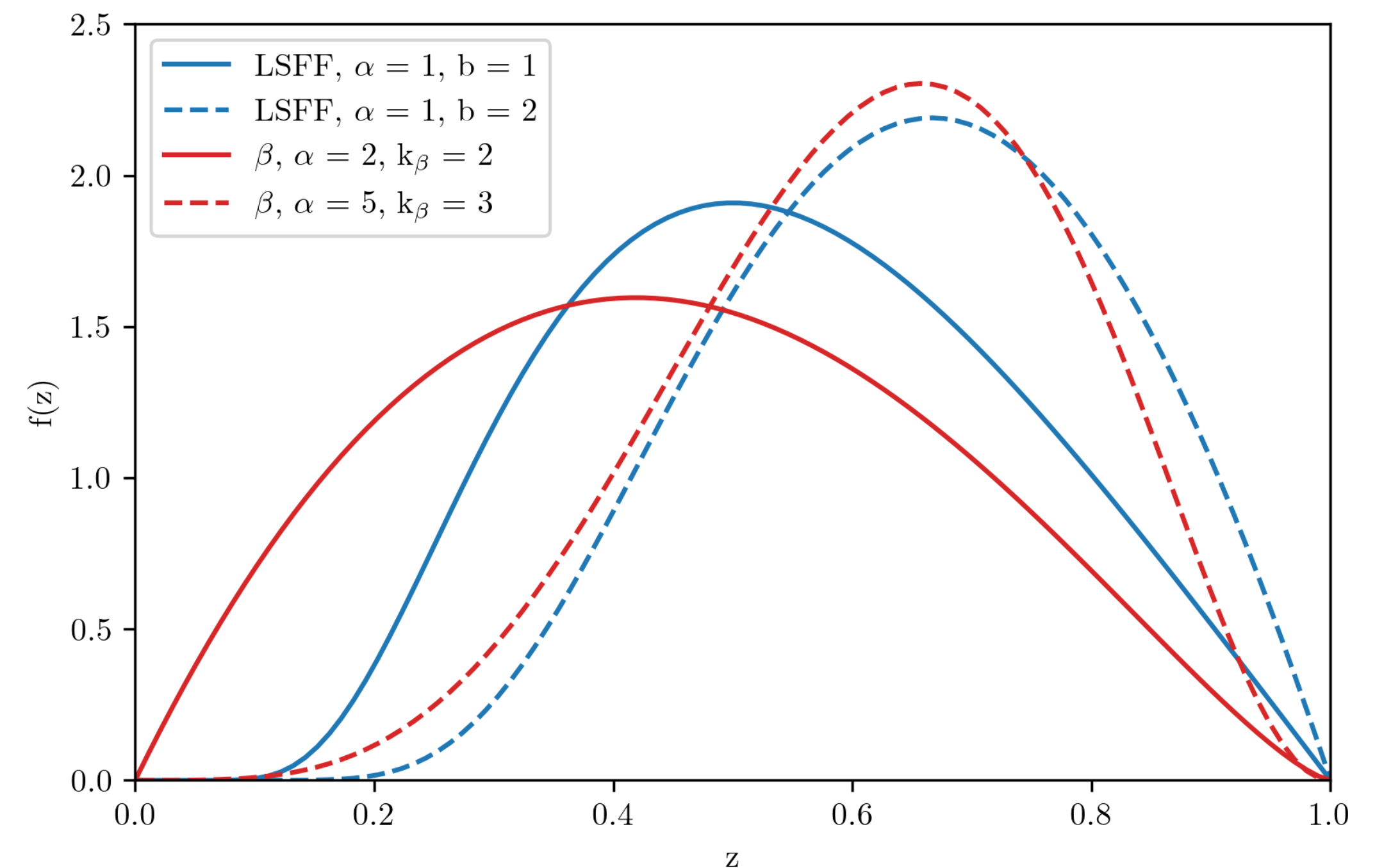
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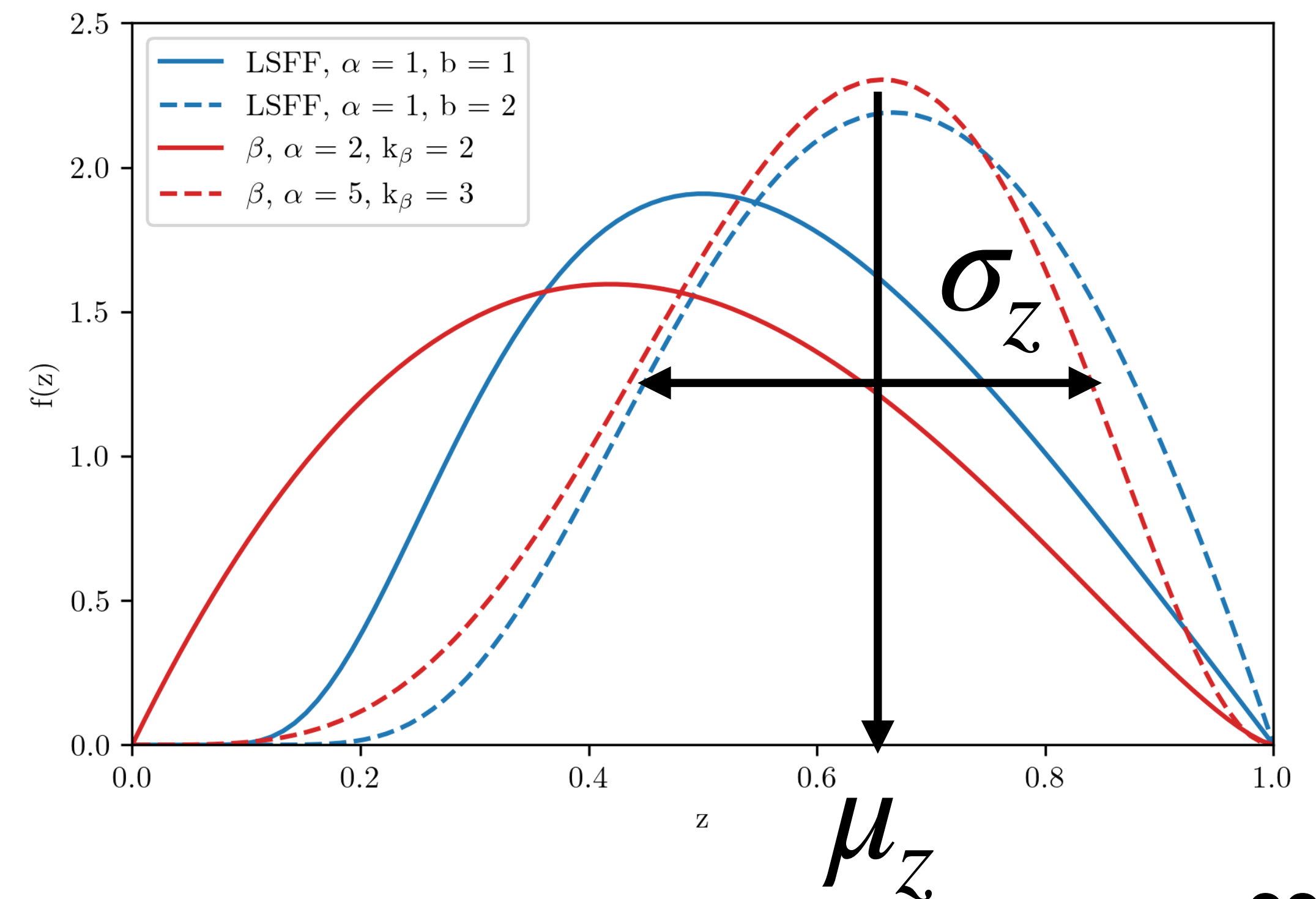
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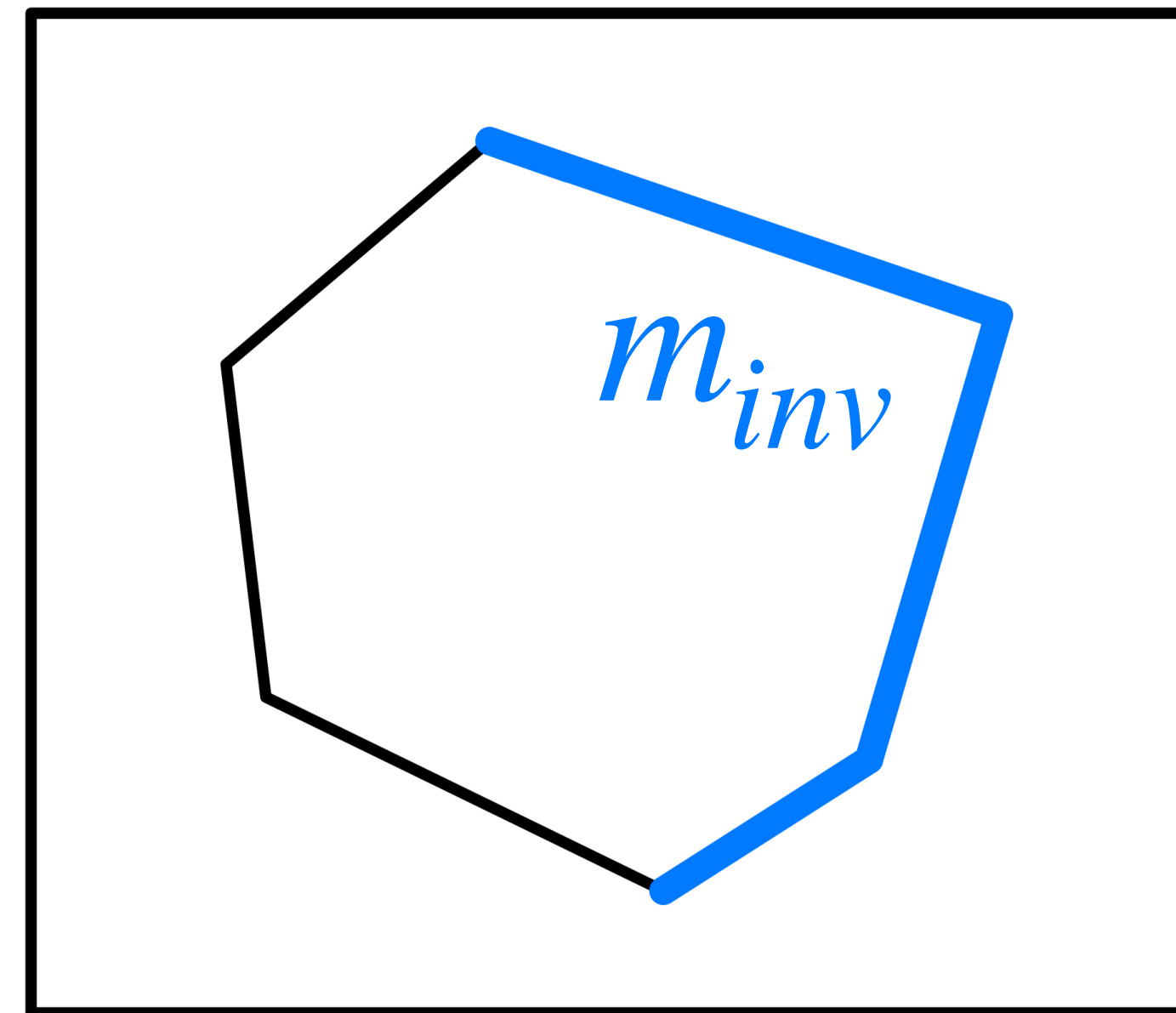
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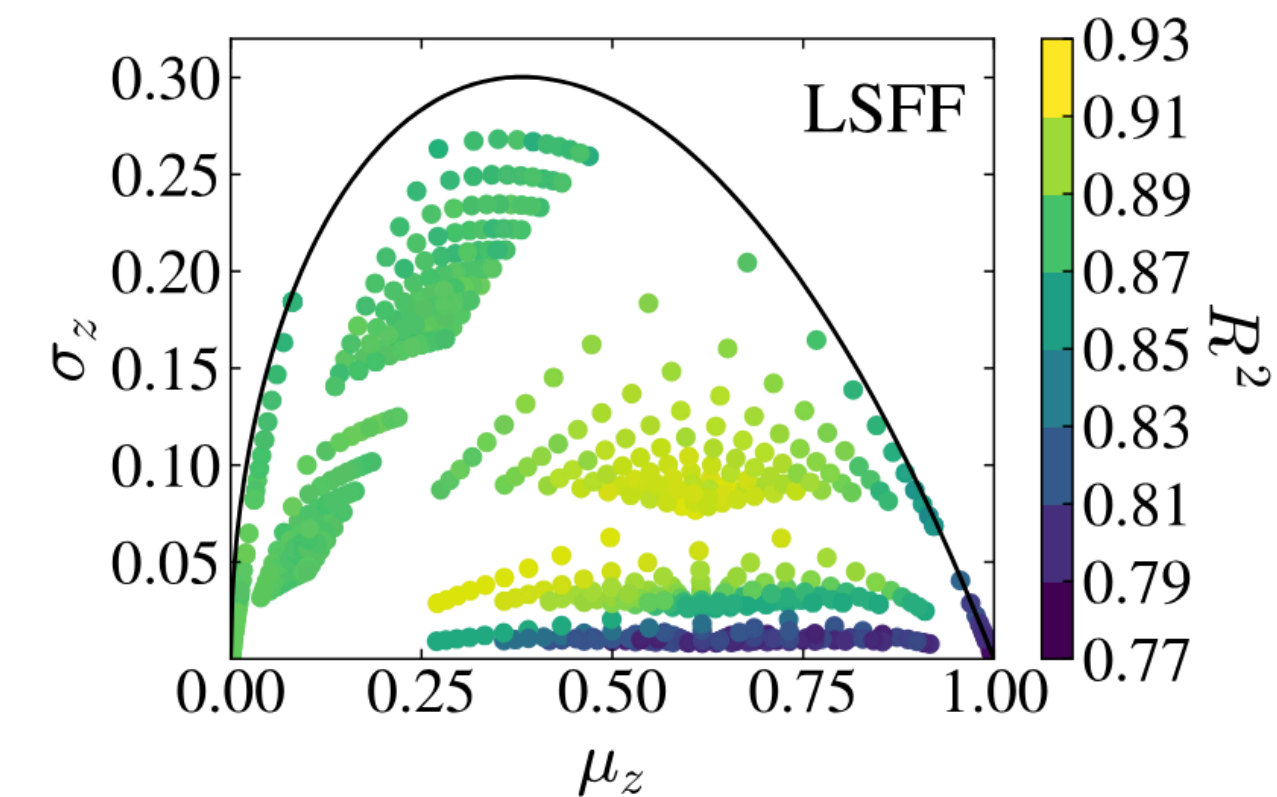
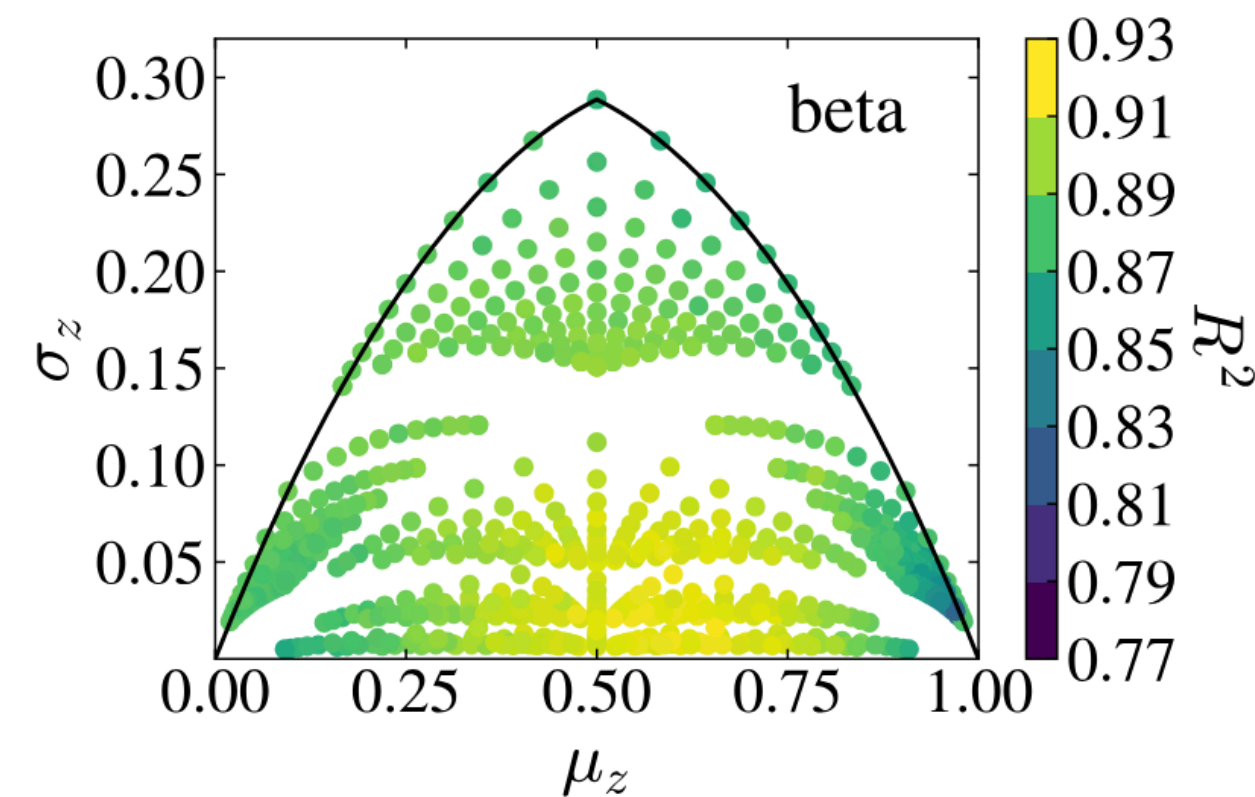
Glueball Species Distribution

- **Species is chosen randomly, only including spin multiplicity weightings (assume no bias)**
- **However, a mass suppression does come from invariant mass of string pieces, only $m_G < m_{inv}$ glueballs accessible**
- **Suppression depends on arrangement of string lengths**

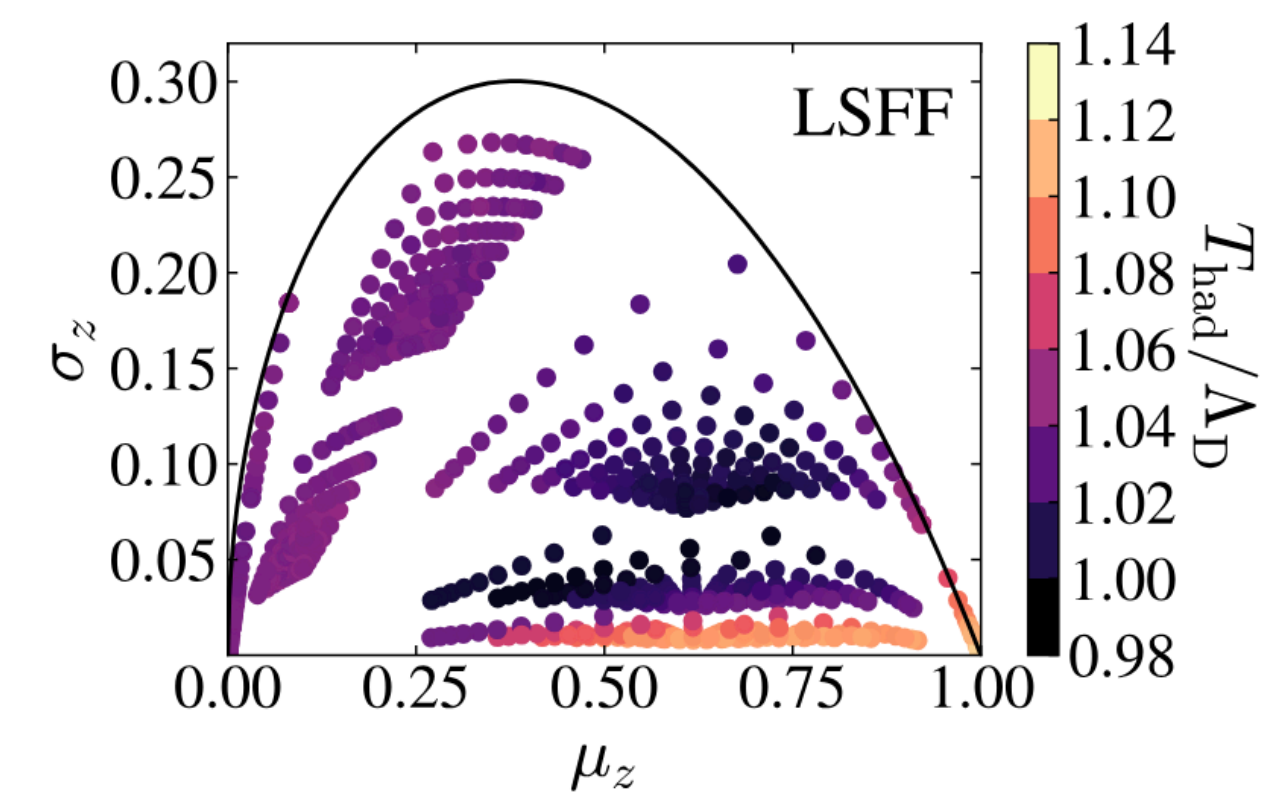
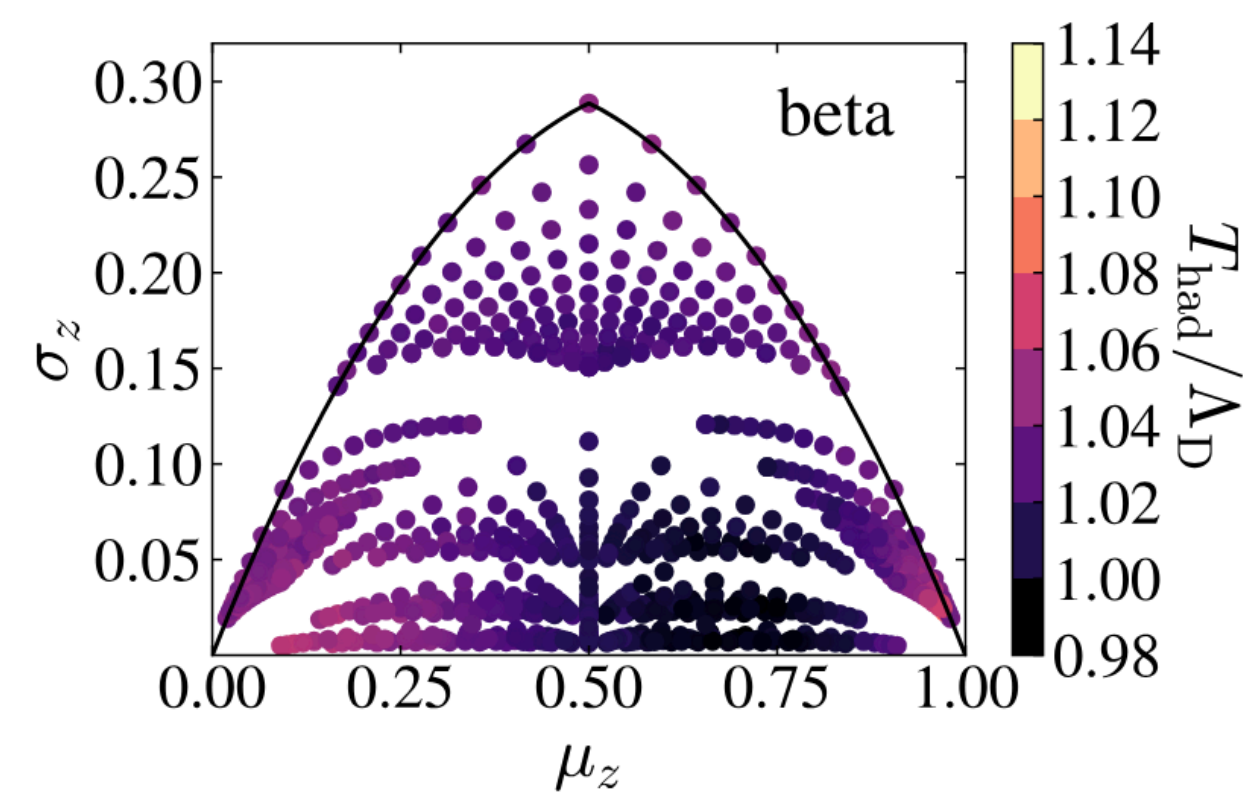


Glueball Species Distribution

- Over wide range of fragmentation function parameterisation, good fit to thermal distribution

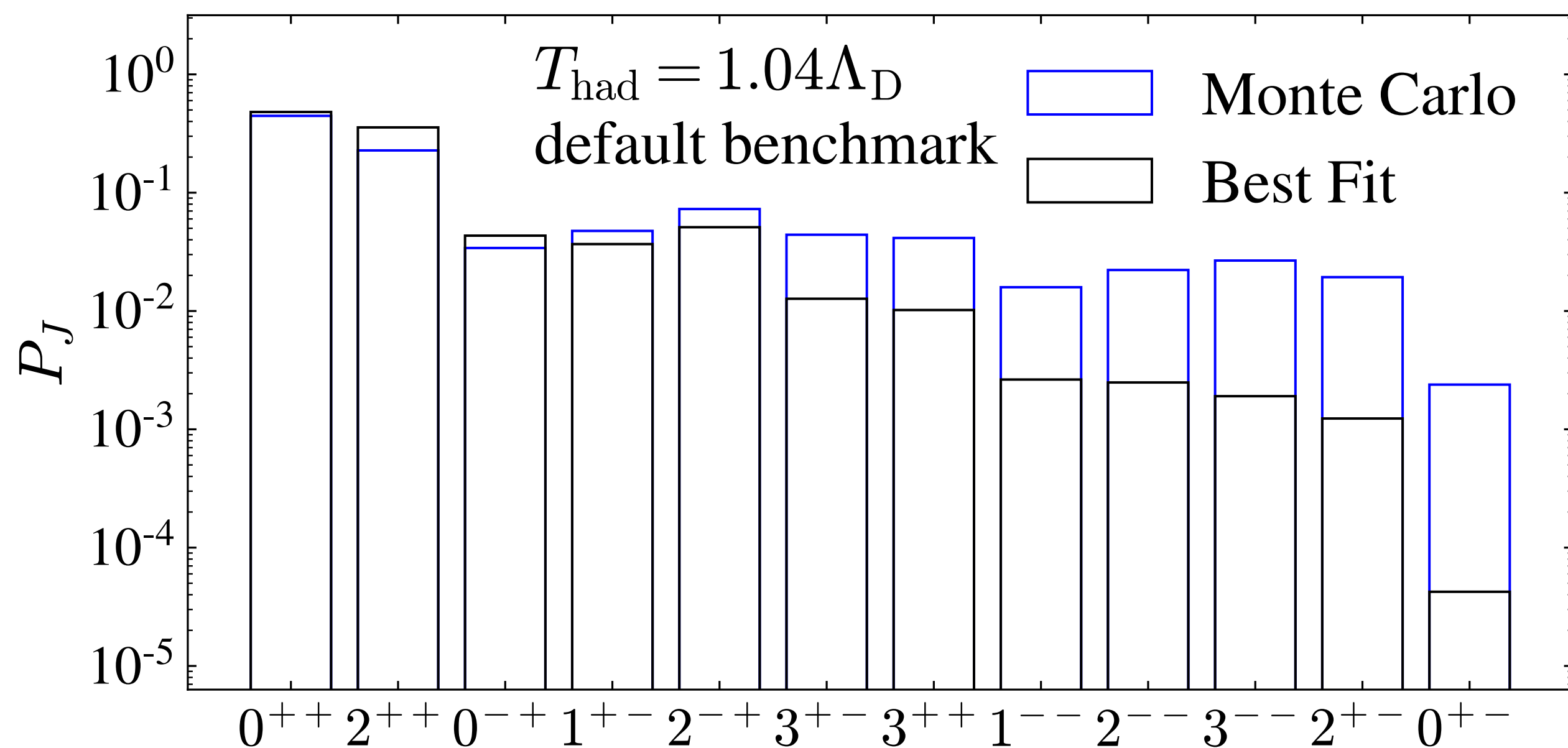


- Additionally, a thermal distribution with $T_{\text{had}} \sim \Lambda_D$!!!

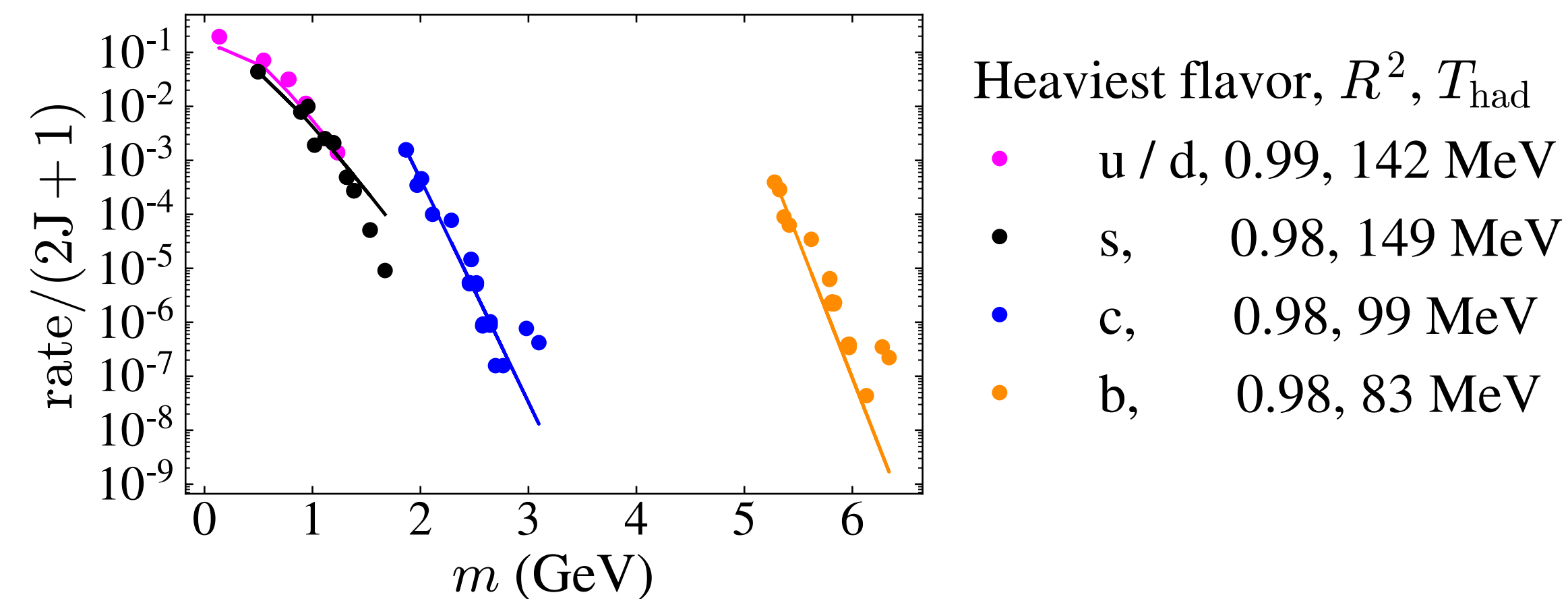


Glueball Species Distribution

Amazingly, the thermal distribution of glueball species is an **OUTPUT** of this model



Overproduction of heaviest states resembles thermal distribution found for heavy quarks in SM



GlueShower v2: Summary

arXiv: 2310.13731 (with A. Batz, T. Cohen, D. Curtin, G.D. Kribs)

- **Benchmark parameters provided in paper to profile over hadronization uncertainty:**

	c	function	shape parameters		$\alpha_D(p_{T\min})$	μ_z	σ_z	T_{had}/Λ_D
default	1.8	LSFF	$a = 1.9 \times 10^{-4}$	$bm_0^2 = 0.26$	1.0	0.5	0.3	1.04
soft	1.4	beta	$\alpha = 90.$	$k_\beta = 810$	1.6	0.1	0.01	0.911
hard	2.1	LSFF	$a = 82$	$bm_0^2 = 660$	0.76	0.9	0.01	1.38

- **Improves upon v1 by incorporating a more realistic handling of the flux ring fragmentation**
- **Thermal distribution of glueball species robustly emerges from the flux ring dynamics, supports this is physically reasonable**
- **Talking with Pythia authors to possibly incorporate into Hidden Valley module for public release**

Phenomenology

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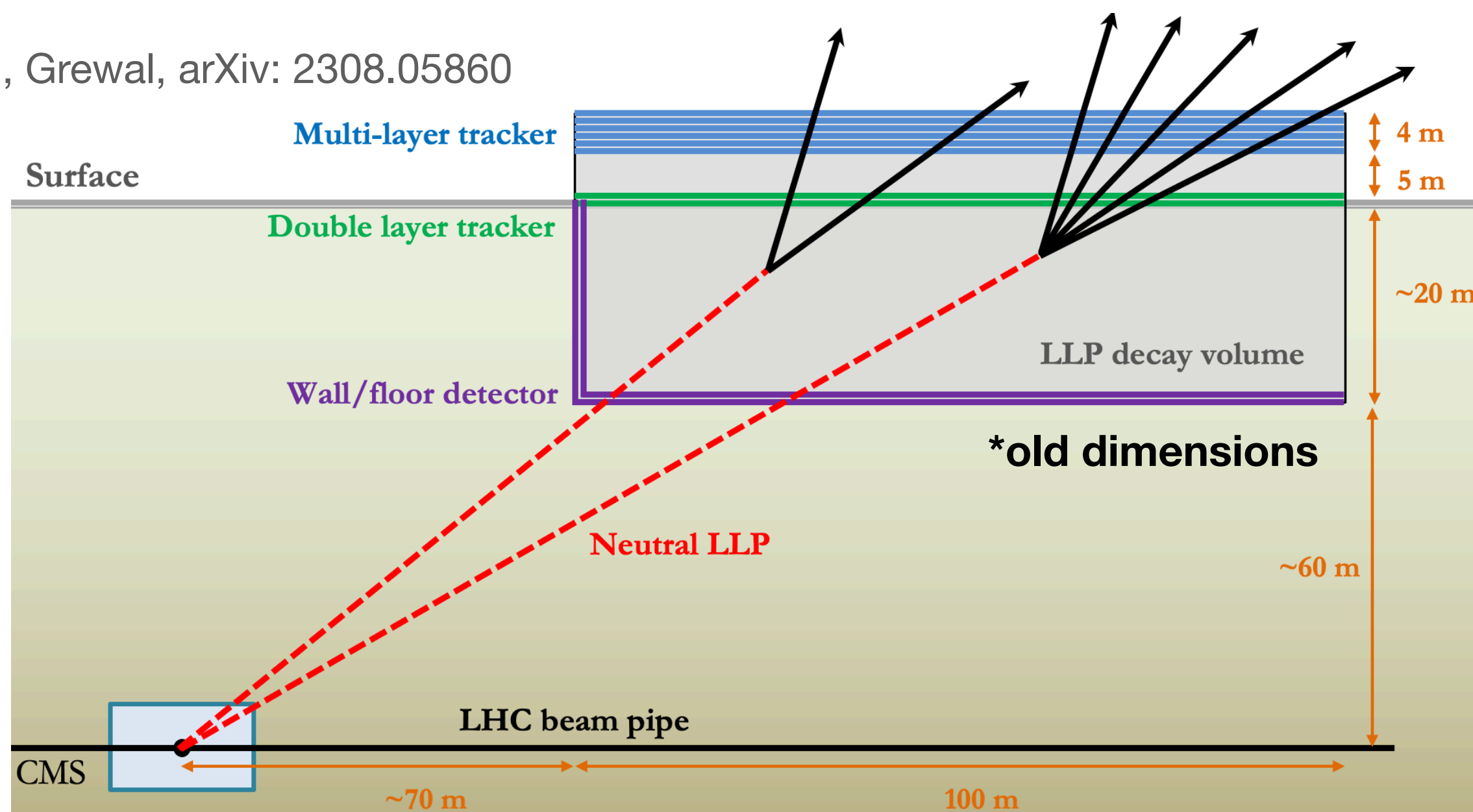
Glueballs as Long Lived Particles

- **MATHUSLA is a proposed displaced vertex detector for the HL-LHC upgrade**

Chou, Curtin, Lubatti, arXiv:1606.06298
Alpigiani et al., arXiv:1811.00927

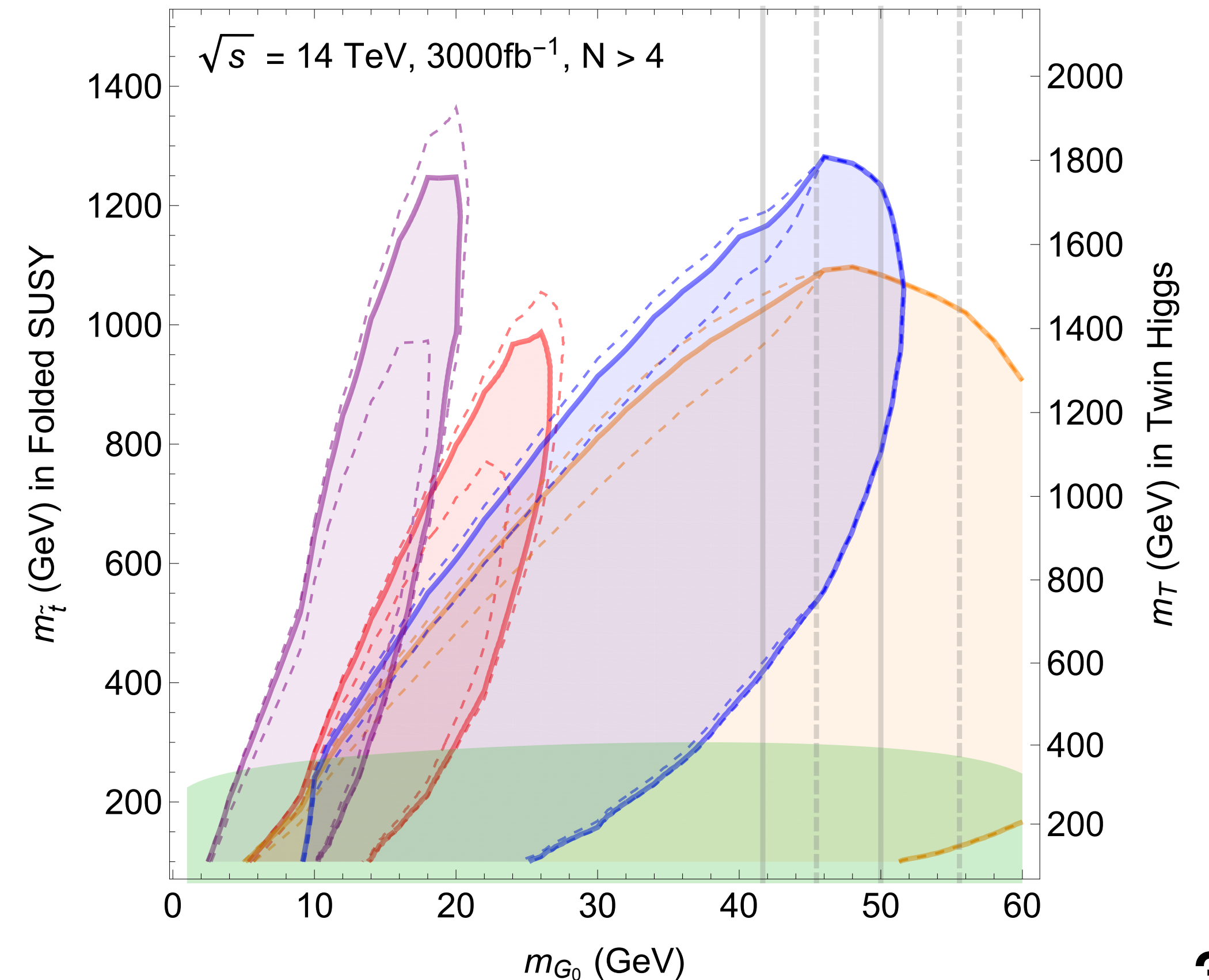
- **Able to probe much longer lifetimes**

Curtin, Grewal, arXiv: 2308.05860



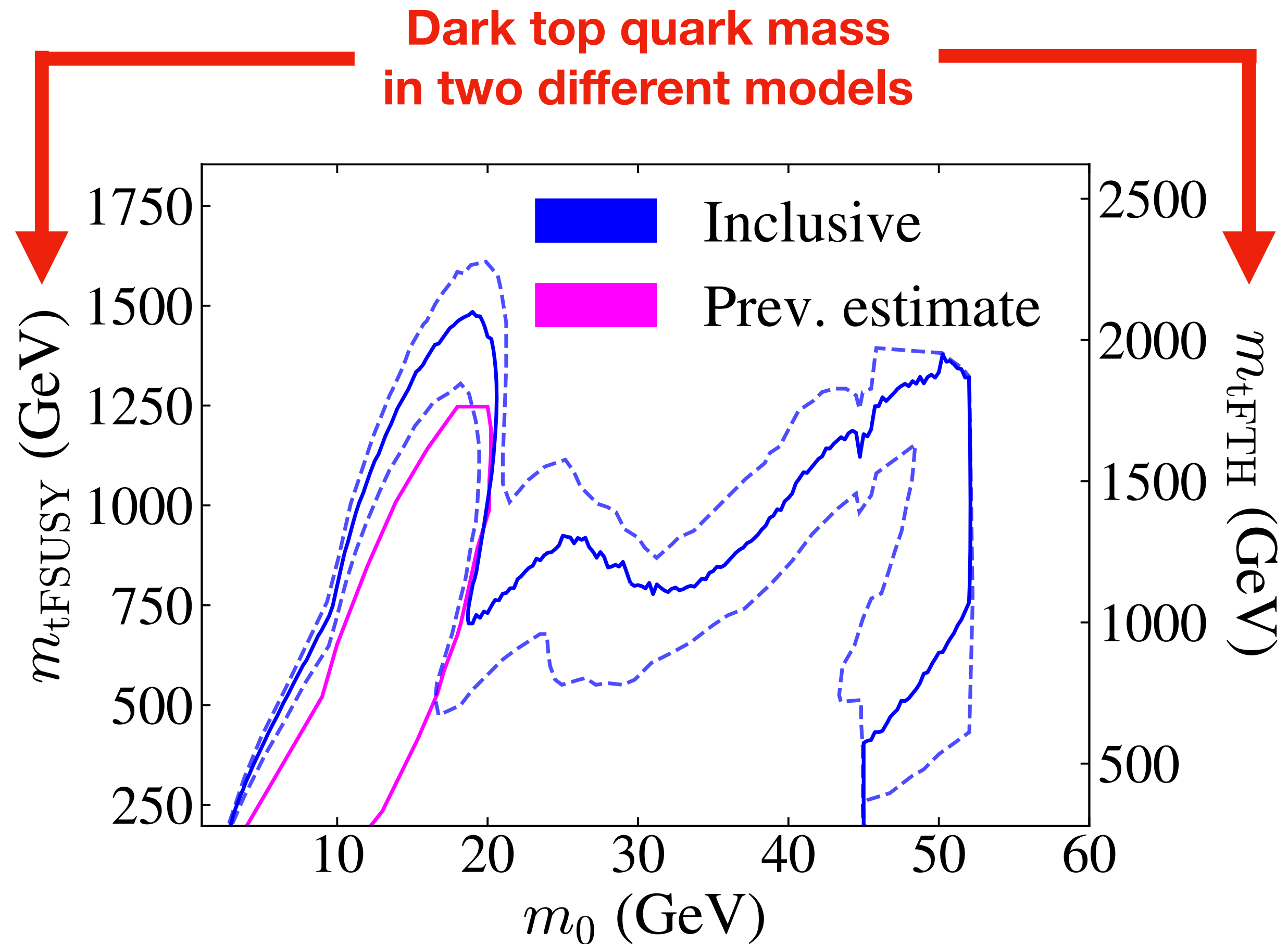
Curtin et al., arXiv: 1806.07396

- (MS)x(MS or IT) ■ (VBF $h \rightarrow bb$) x (IT, $r > 4\text{cm}$)
- (1 lepton) x (IT, $r > 50\mu\text{m}$) ■ MATHUSLA ■ TLEP $Br(h \rightarrow \text{invis})$



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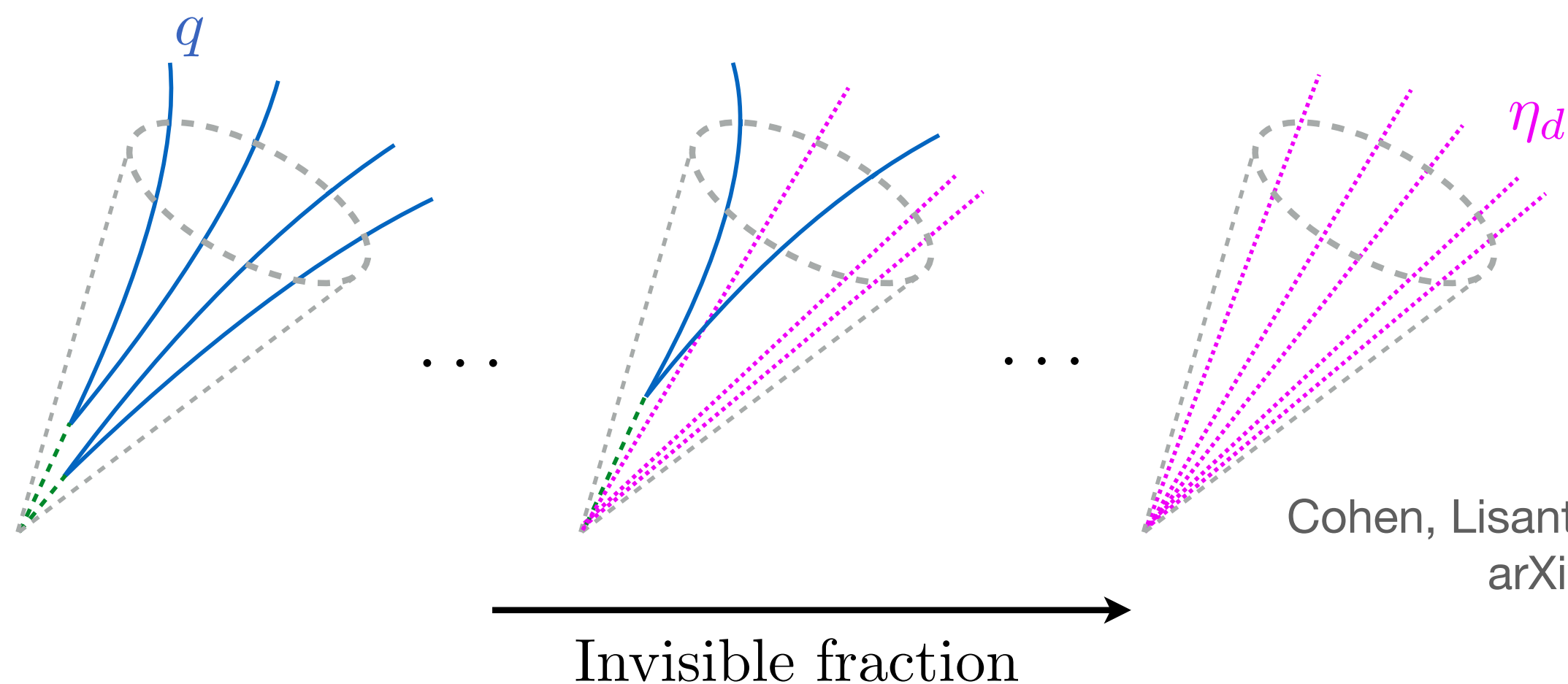
- Previous estimates only considered the lightest glueball (0^{++}) and assumed Higgs only decays to two glueballs, conservative estimate
- Severely underestimated the reach, missed larger lifetimes of heavier glueball states
- Uncertainties included and don't qualitatively change the parameter space reach
- **Probing the TeV scale is the goal of neutral naturalness models!**



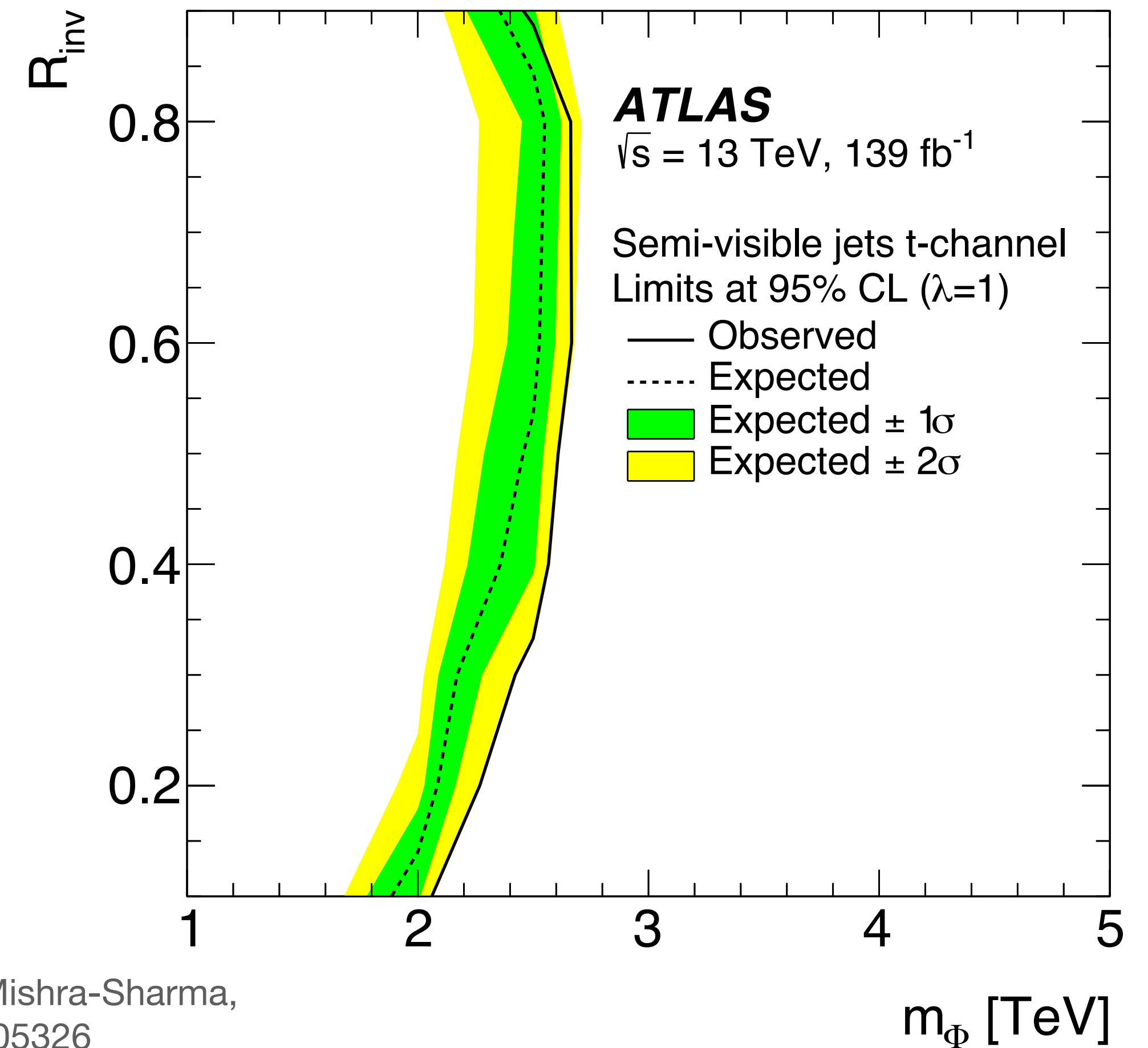
Semivisible Jets

ATLAS collab., arXiv: 2305.18037

- Typical of dark sectors with hadrons of various lifetimes / stability
Cohen, Lisanti, Lou, arXiv: 1503.00009
- Jet-like event coinciding with missing energy signatures
- Parameterised by mass of mediator and fraction of dark shower that is invisible to the LHC, R_{inv}
- **Dark glueball showers naturally provide a benchmark for this signature due to the differing lifetimes**

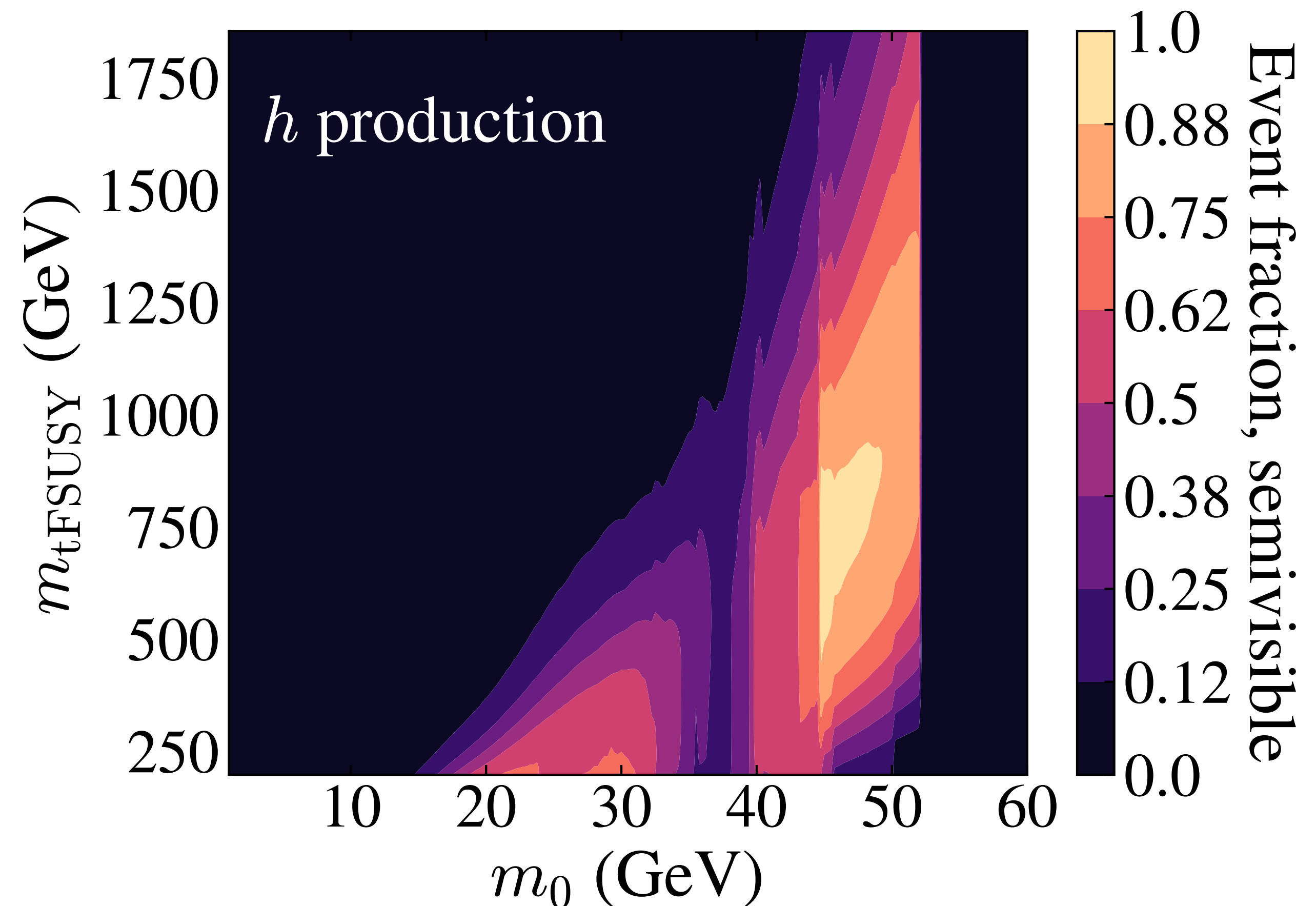


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arXiv: 1707.05326



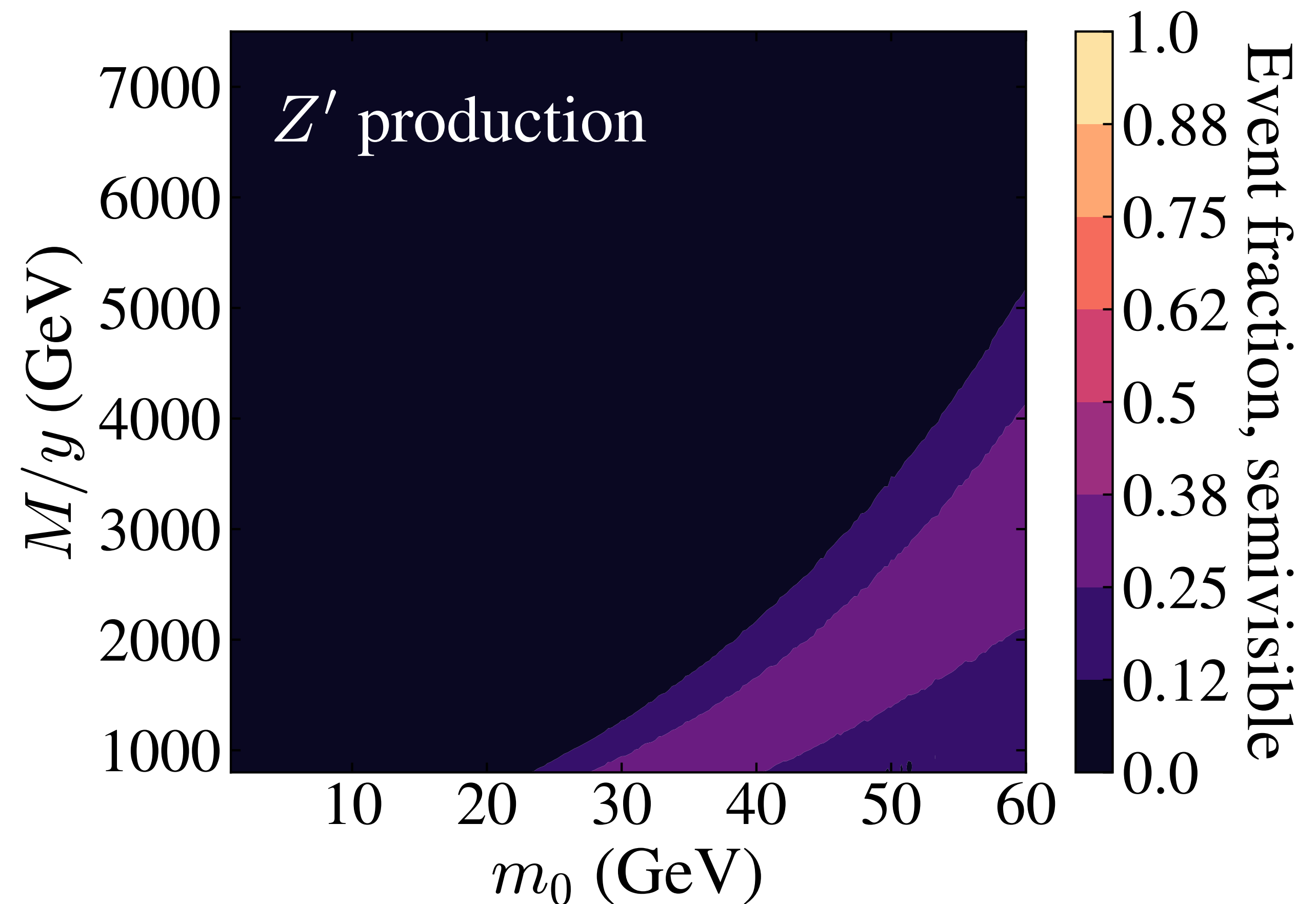
Semivisible Jets

- **Higgs production**
 - **Assume gluon fusion and VBF production**
 - **Rescaled branching fraction to dark gluons**
- **Simplified analysis:**
 - **At least one glueball escape the tracker**
 - **At least one prompt glueball decay within the tracker**
 - **No glueball decays within the tracker with transverse displacement > 50 mm**



Semivisible Jets

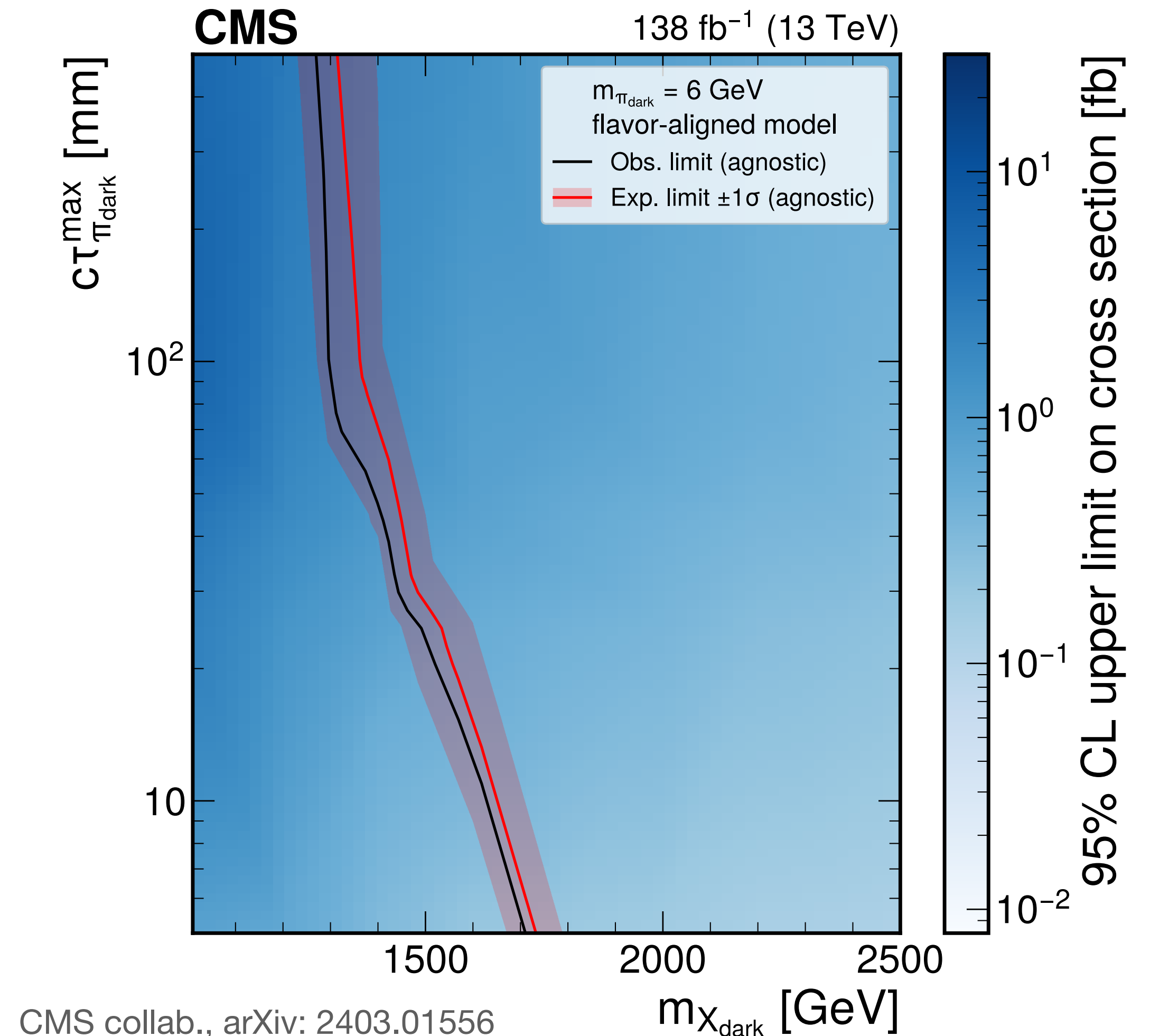
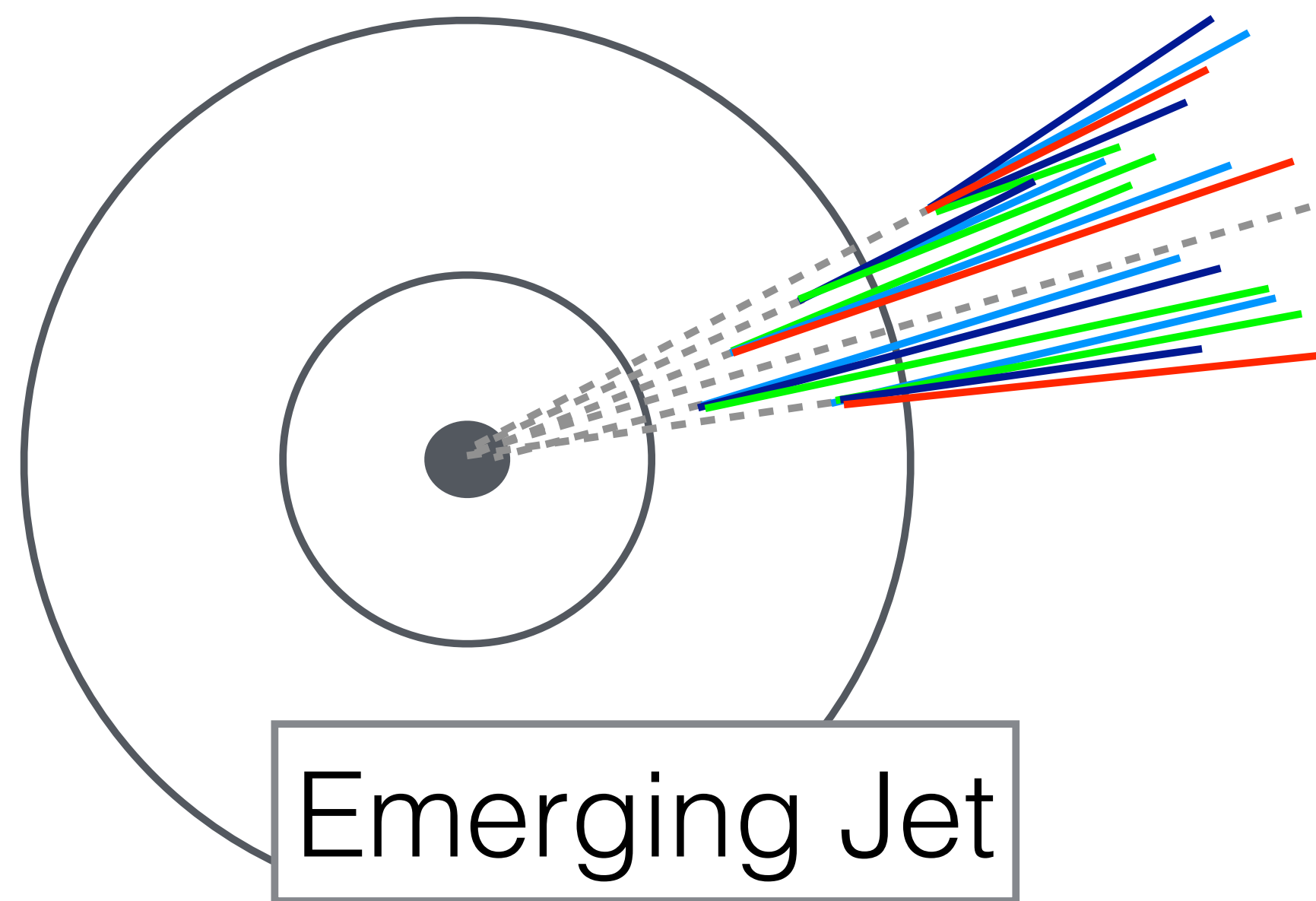
- Z' production
 - Assume heavy mediator production, $pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow Q_D \bar{Q}_D$, ($m_{Z'} = 3 \text{ TeV}$)
 - Produces quirk- y bound state that can de-excite via dark glueball radiation
Kang, Luty, arXiv: 0805.4642
 - Open question, but assume $M_Q \sim M_{Z'}/2$ such that radiation is minimal
 - $Q_D \bar{Q}_D$ annihilate to dark gluons producing dark glueball shower



Emerging Jets

- **Similar to a semivisible jet, but requires all vertices to be displaced**

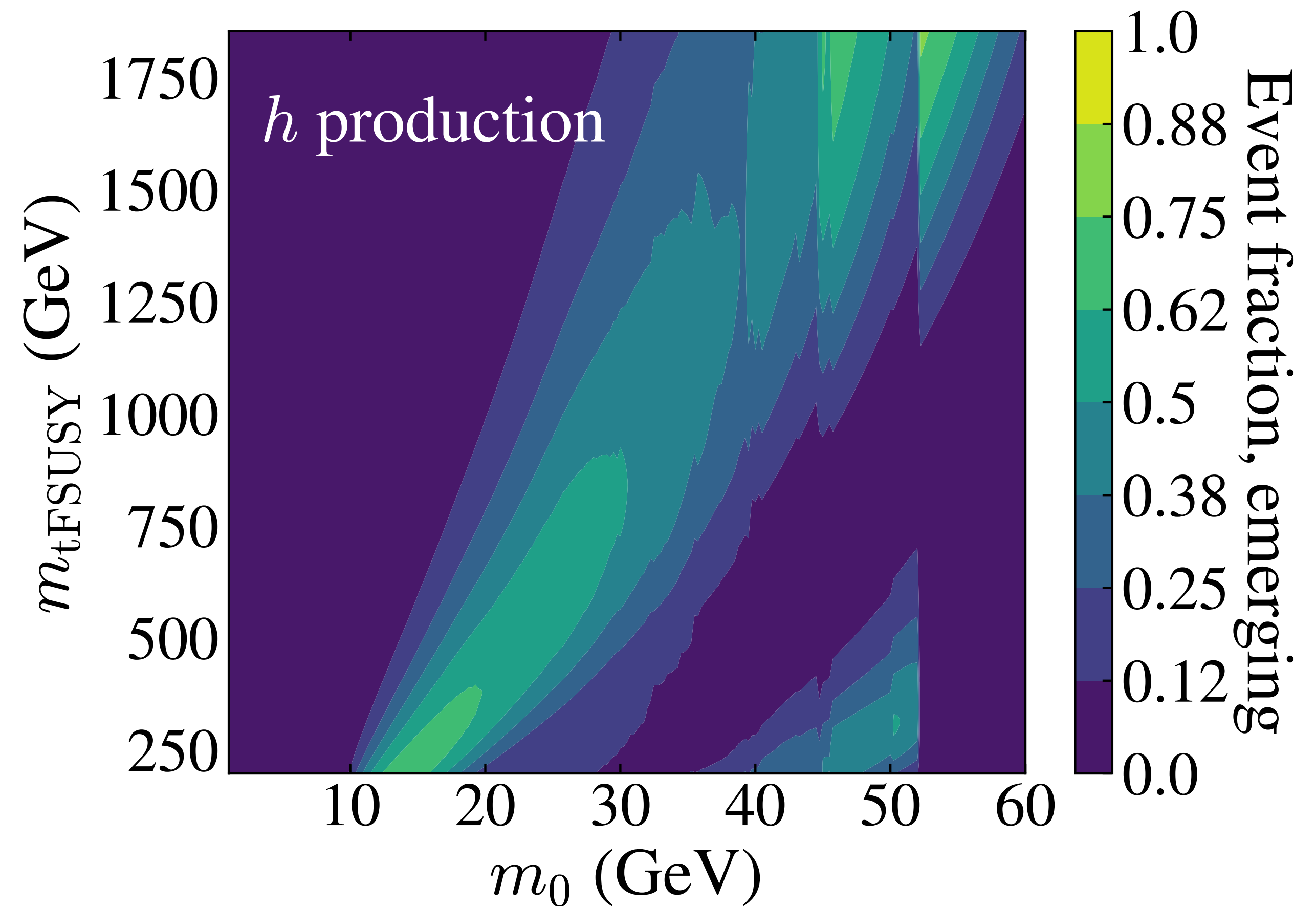
Schwaller, Stolarski, Weiler, arXiv: 1502.05409



CMS collab., arXiv: 2403.01556

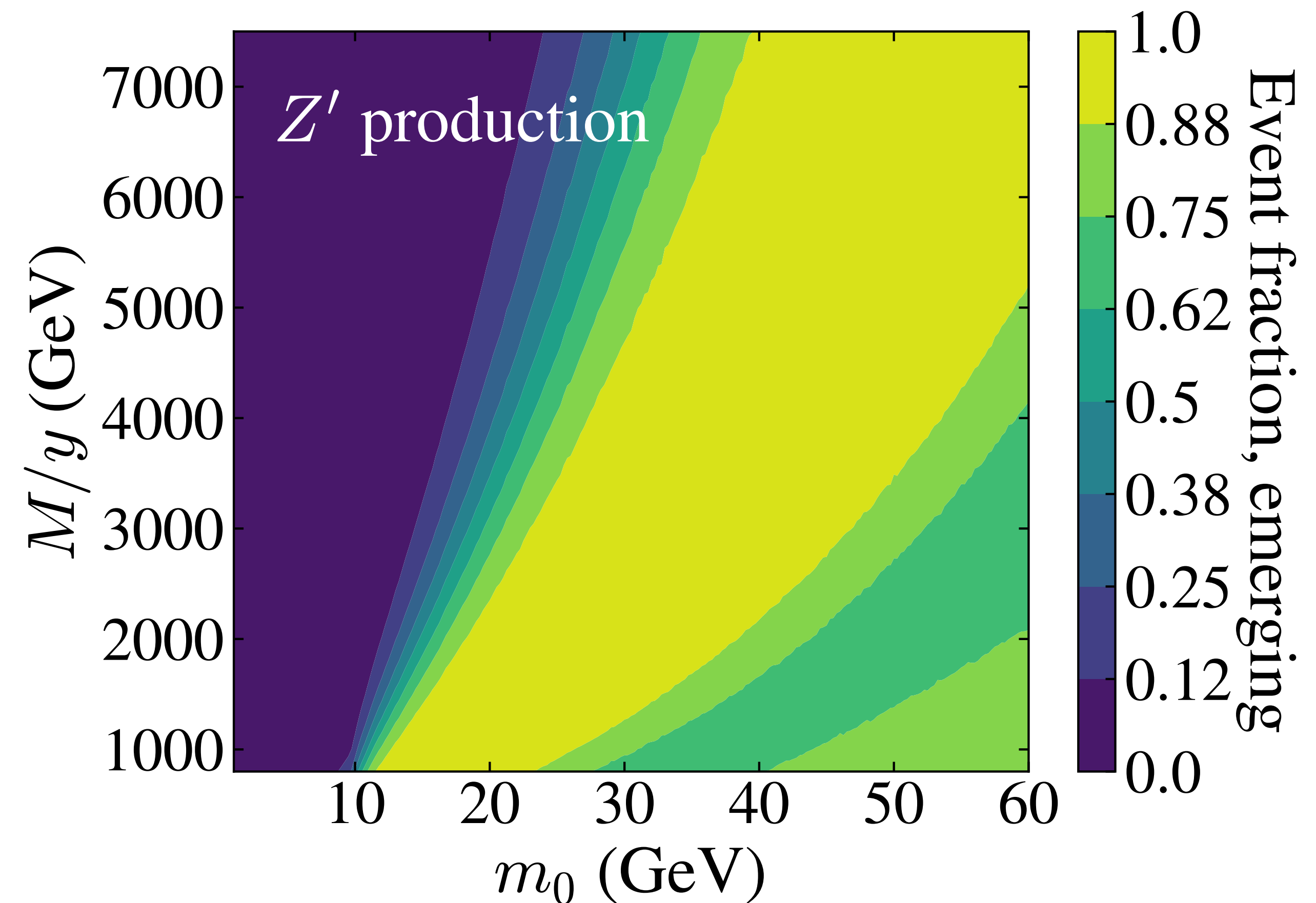
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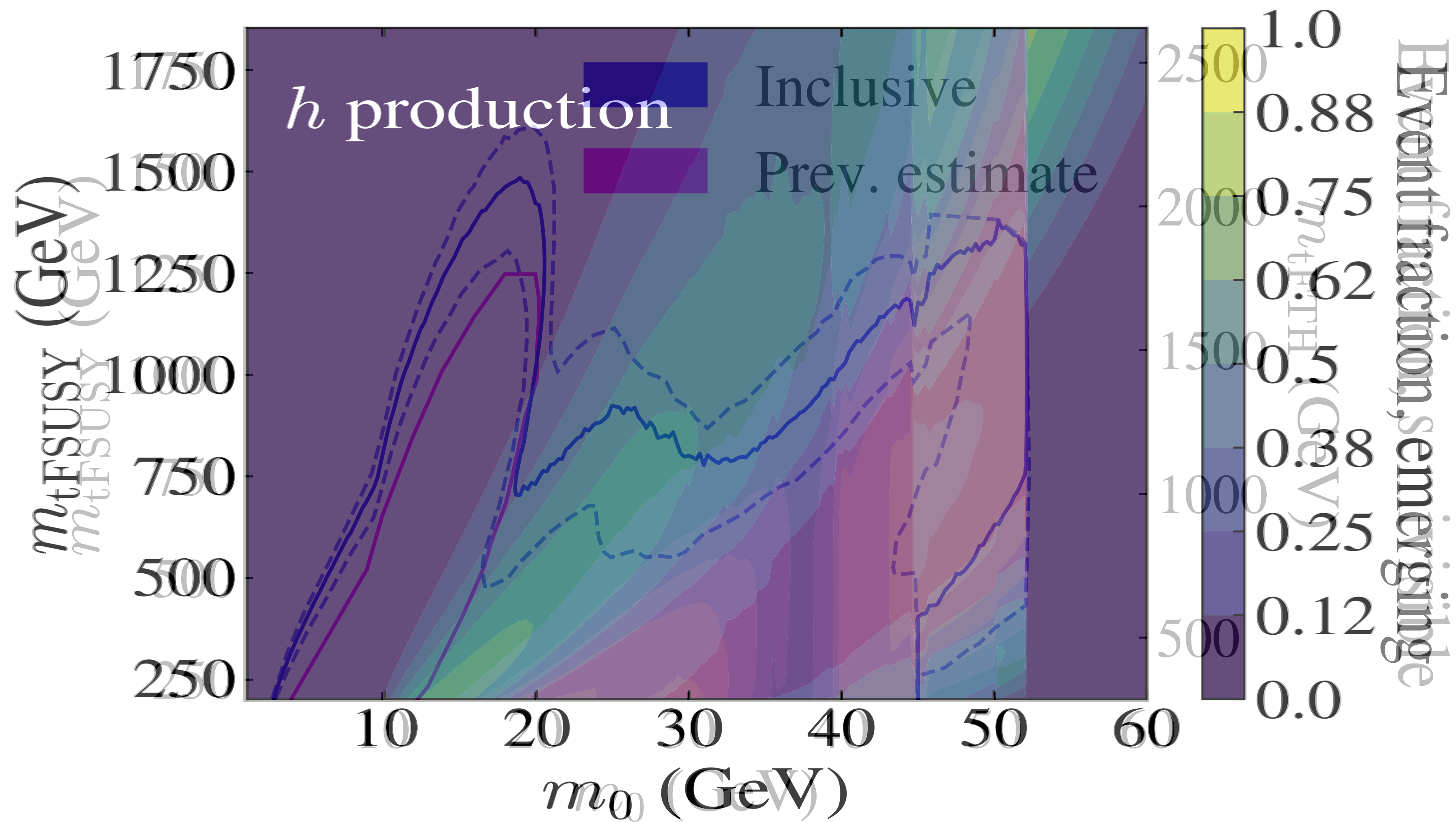


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Complementarity



*Simplified displaced jet searches

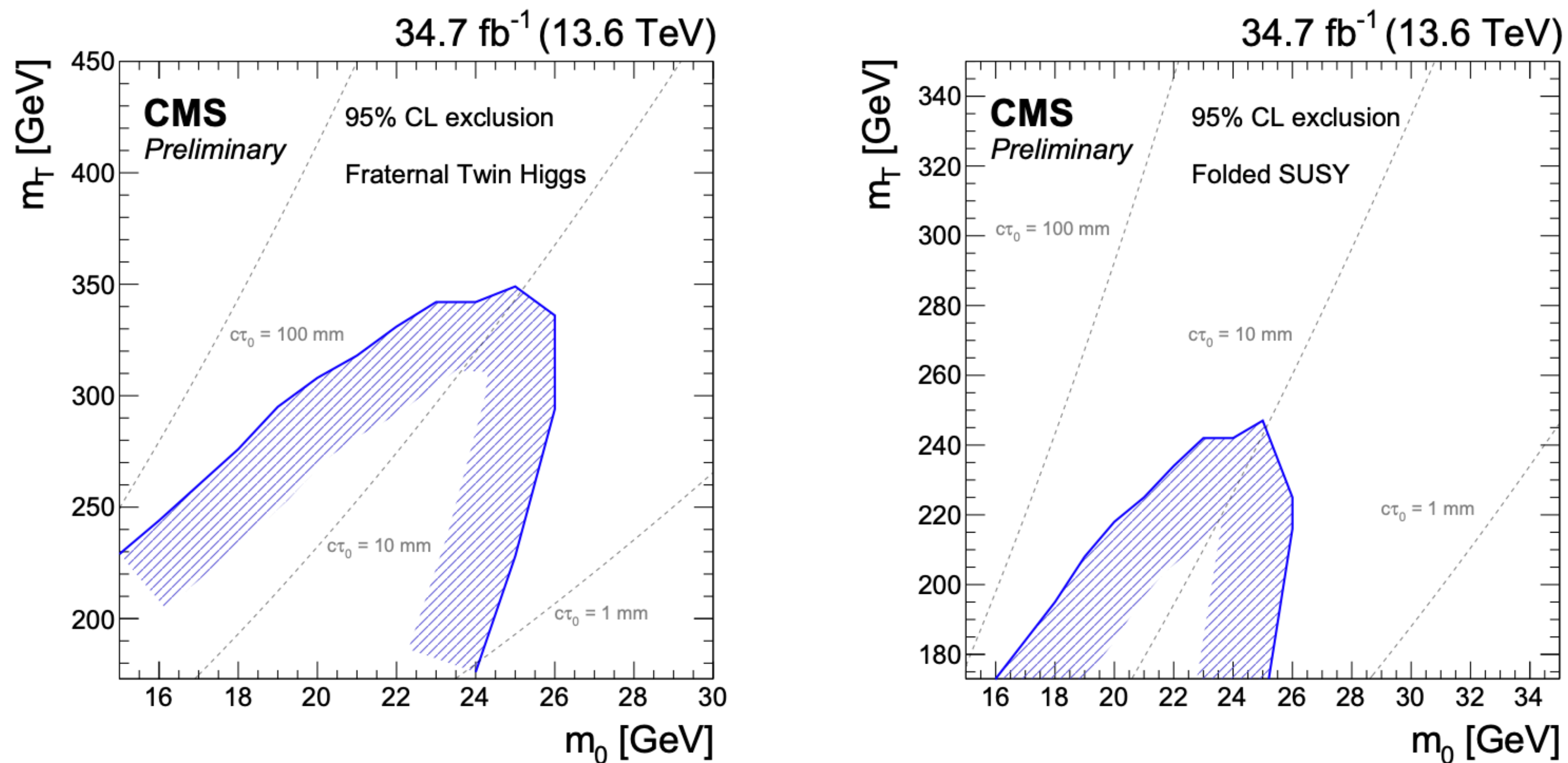
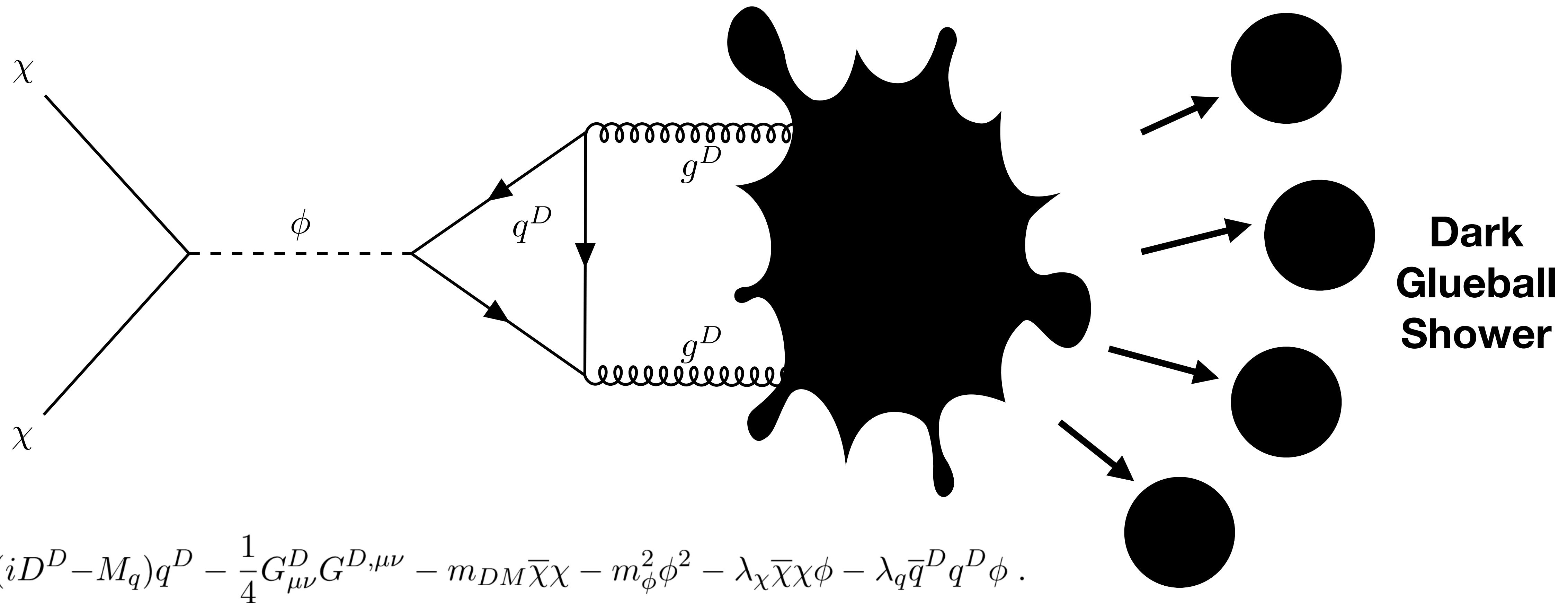


Figure 6: The 95% CL observed limits on the hidden-sector top partner mass m_T for different hidden glueball masses m_0 , in the fraternal Twin Higgs model [29] (left) and the folded SUSY model [44] (right). CMS collab., arXiv: 2409.10806

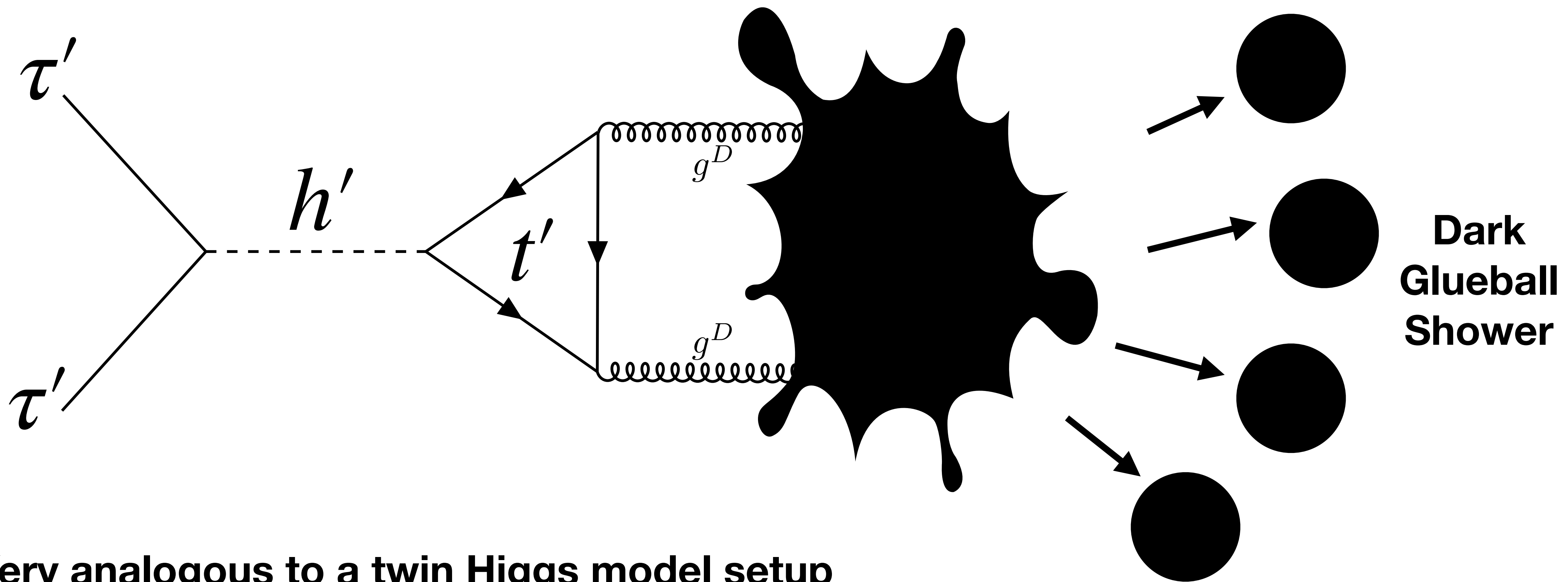
Indirect Detection

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DM annihilating to glueballs



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Very analogous to a twin Higgs model setup

Decay Benchmarks

Glueball	Higgs Portal
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2^{++}	$0^{++} + h^*$
0^{-+}	-
1^{+-}	-
2^{-+}	$0^{-+} + h^*$
3^{+-}	$1^{+-} + h^*$
3^{++}	$\{2^{++}, 0^{-+}, 2^{-+}\} + h^*$
2^{--}	$\{1^{+-}, 3^{+-}\} + h^*$
1^{--}	$1^{+-} + h^*$
2^{+-}	$\{1^{+-}, 3^{+-}, 2^{--}, 1^{--}\} + h^*$

Decay Benchmarks

Glueball	Higgs Portal	Gauge Portal
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1^{+-}	-	$\{0^{++}, 2^{++}, 0^{-+}\} + \{\gamma, Z\}$
2^{-+}	$0^{-+} + h^*$	$gg, \gamma\gamma, Z\gamma, ZZ, WW$
3^{+-}	$1^{+-} + h^*$	$\{0^{++}, 2^{++}, 0^{-+}, 2^{-+}\} + \{\gamma, Z\}$
3^{++}	$\{2^{++}, 0^{-+}, 2^{-+}\} + h^*$	$1^{+-} + \{\gamma, Z\}$
2^{--}	$\{1^{+-}, 3^{+-}\} + h^*$	$\{0^{++}, 2^{++}, 0^{-+}, 2^{-+}\} + \{\gamma, Z\}$
1^{--}	$1^{+-} + h^*$	$\{0^{++}, 2^{++}, 0^{-+}, 2^{-+}\} + \{\gamma, Z\}, ff$
2^{+-}	$\{1^{+-}, 3^{+-}, 2^{--}, 1^{--}\} + h^*$	$\{0^{++}, 2^{++}, 0^{-+}, 2^{-+}\} + \{\gamma, Z\}$

**Decays to
two gauge bosons**

**Decays to lighter glueball
+ gauge boson**

Decay Benchmarks

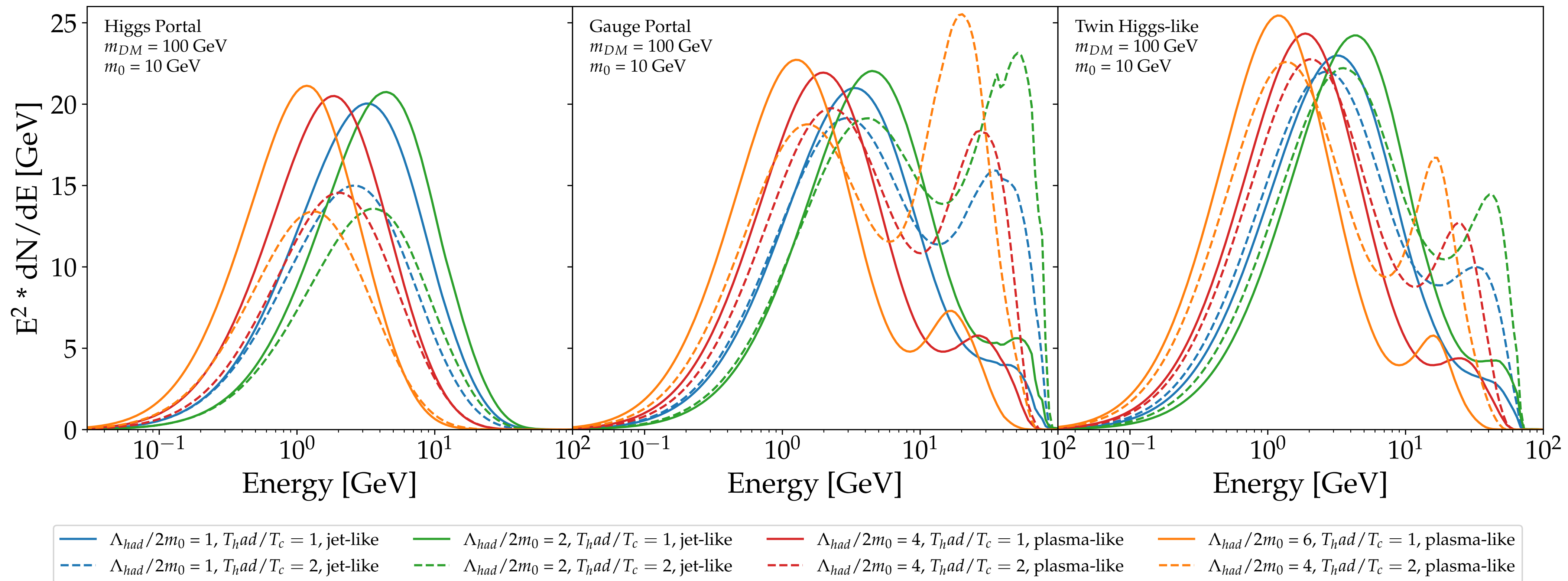
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Assumes both Dimension 6 (Higgs) and Dimension 8 (Gauge) operators,
but Dimension 6 dominates

Indirect Detection Spectra

arXiv: 2211.05794 (with D. Curtin)

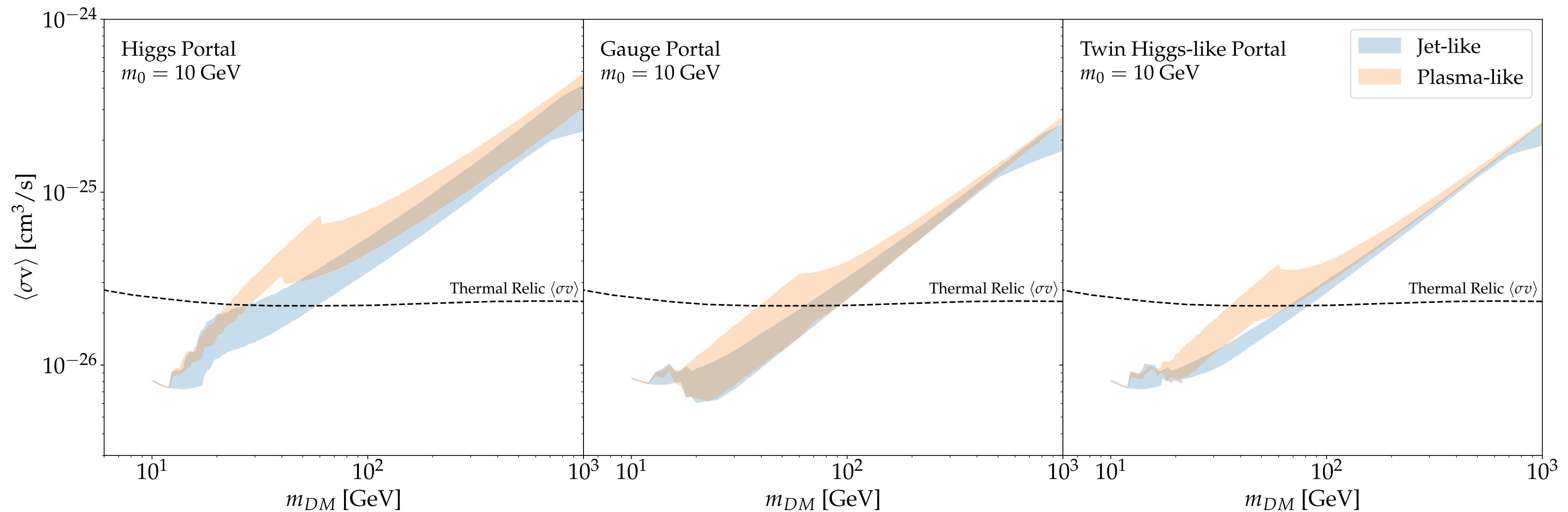
Dark glueball photon spectra computed using GlueShower v1
and a range of decay portals



Fermi-LAT constraints

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Utilising likelihood functions from Fermi-LAT, arXiv:1611.03184

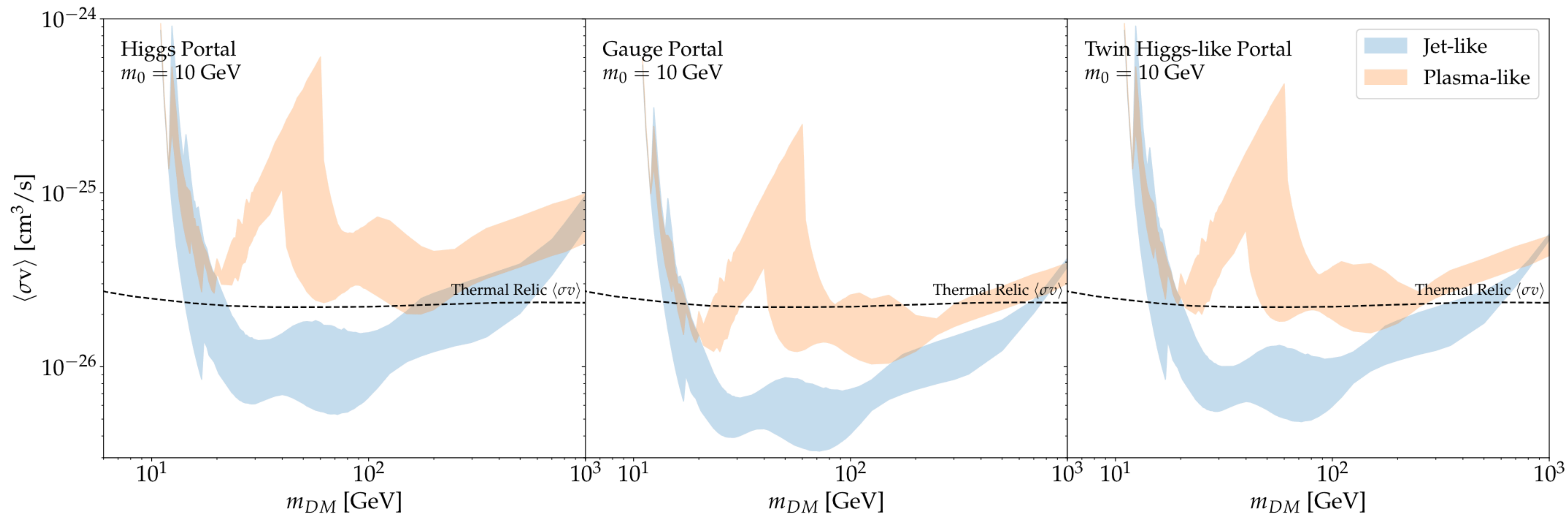


AMS-02 cosmic ray constraints

arXiv: 2211.05794 (with D. Curtin)

Evoli et al., arXiv:1607.07886

Antiproton spectra propagated using DRAGON



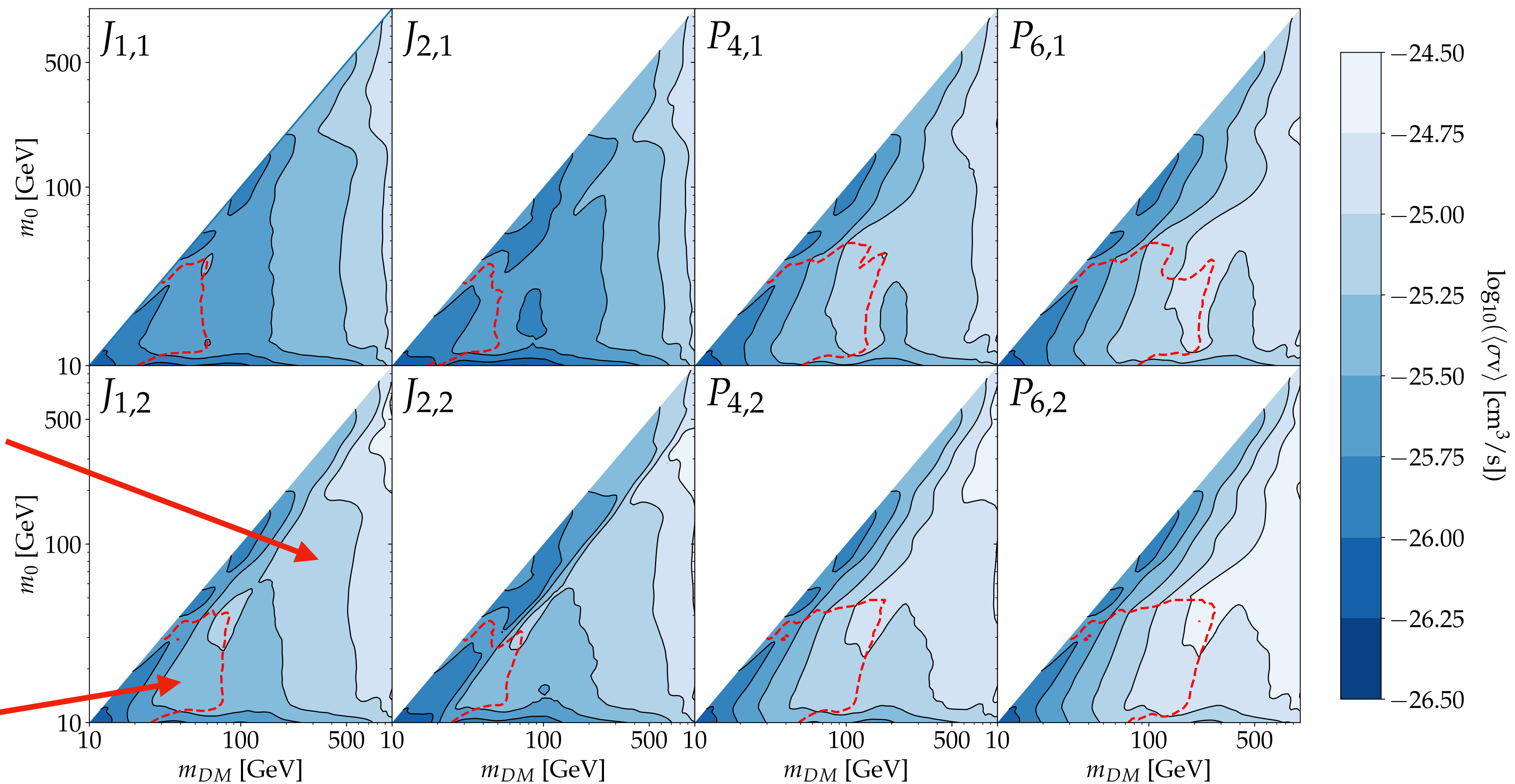
Combined constraints

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**Eight different
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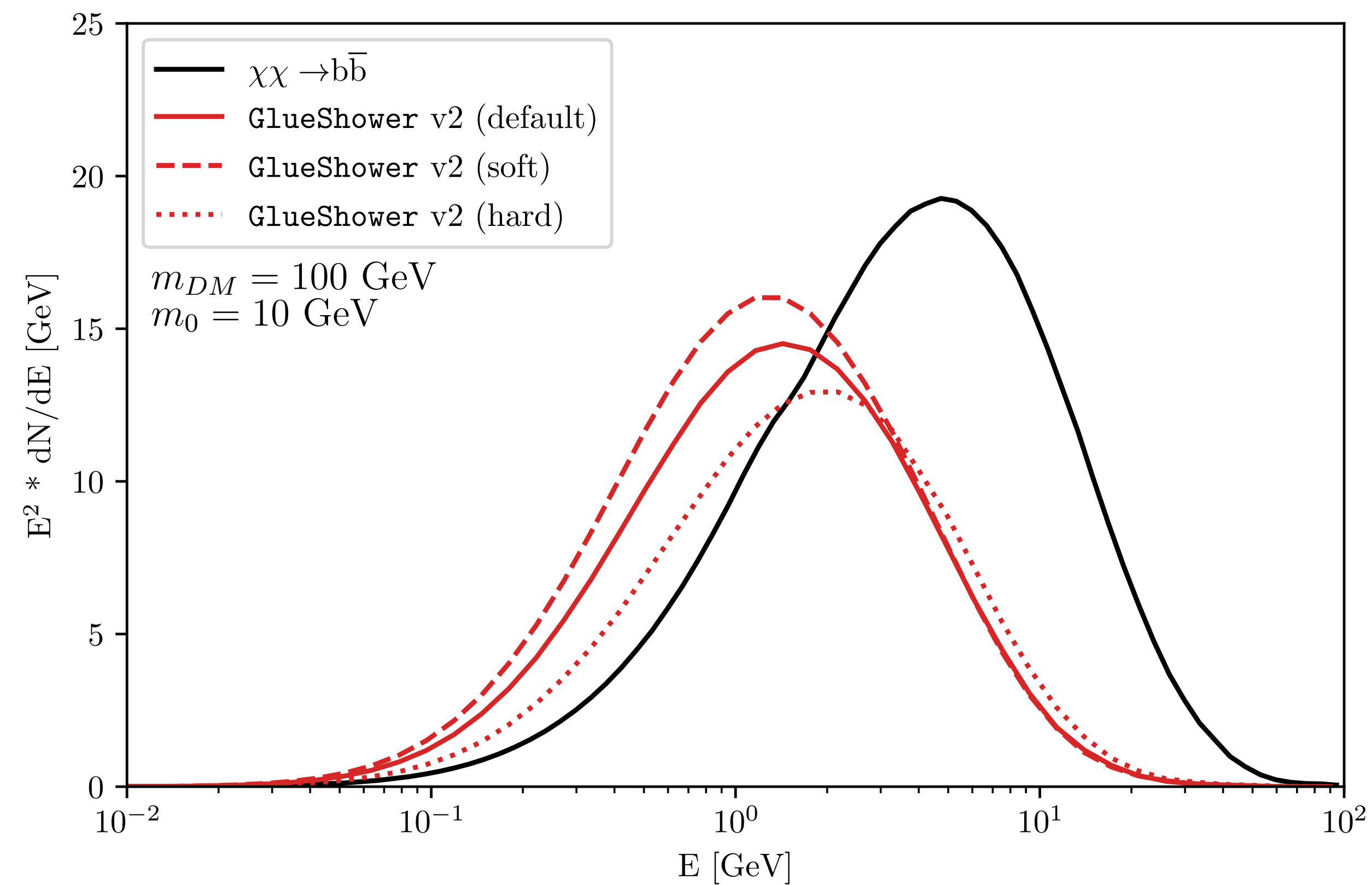
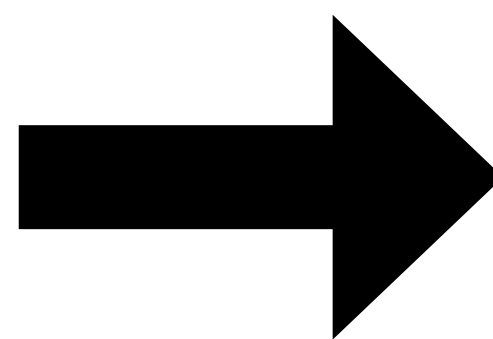
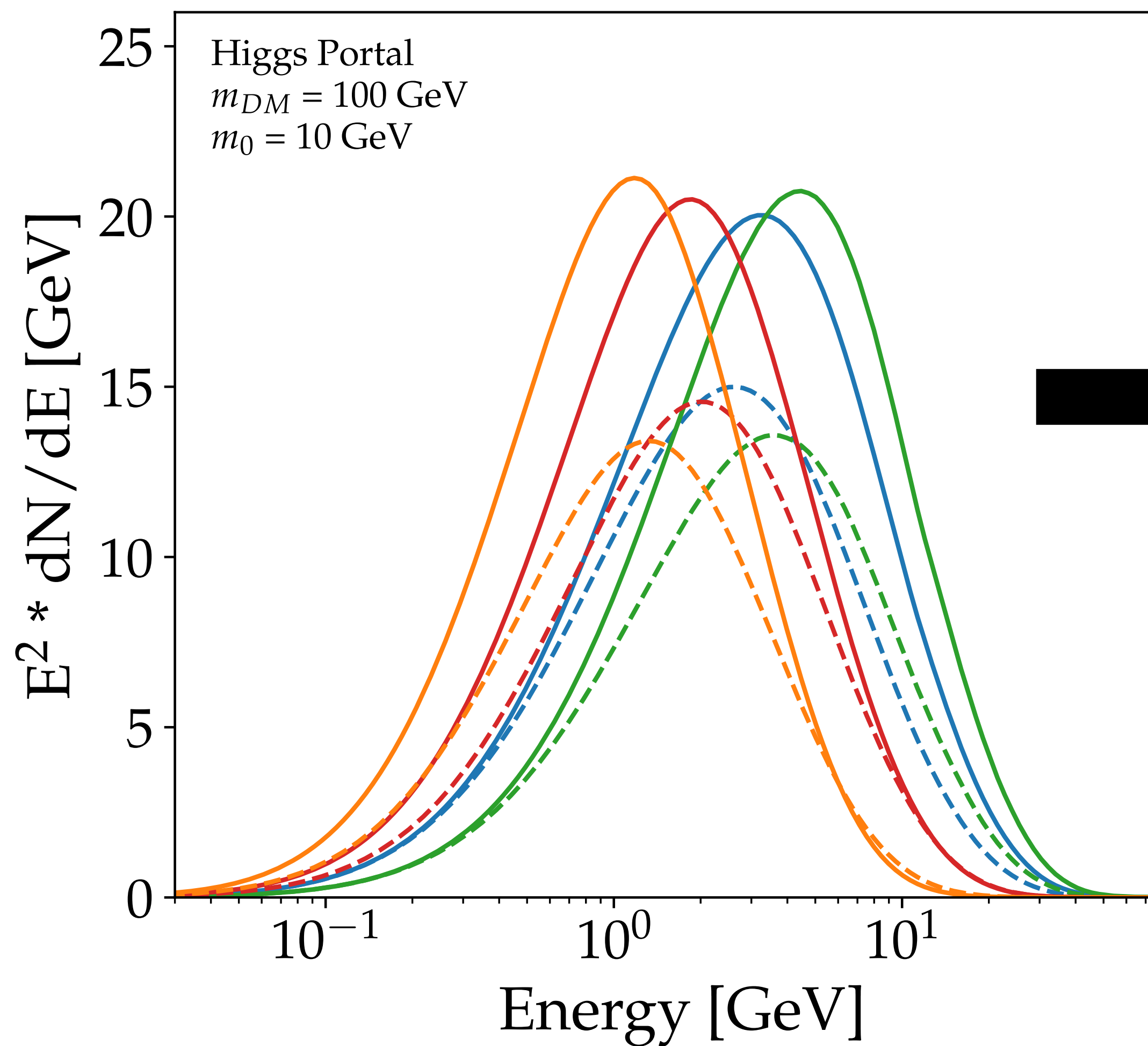
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Photon constraints



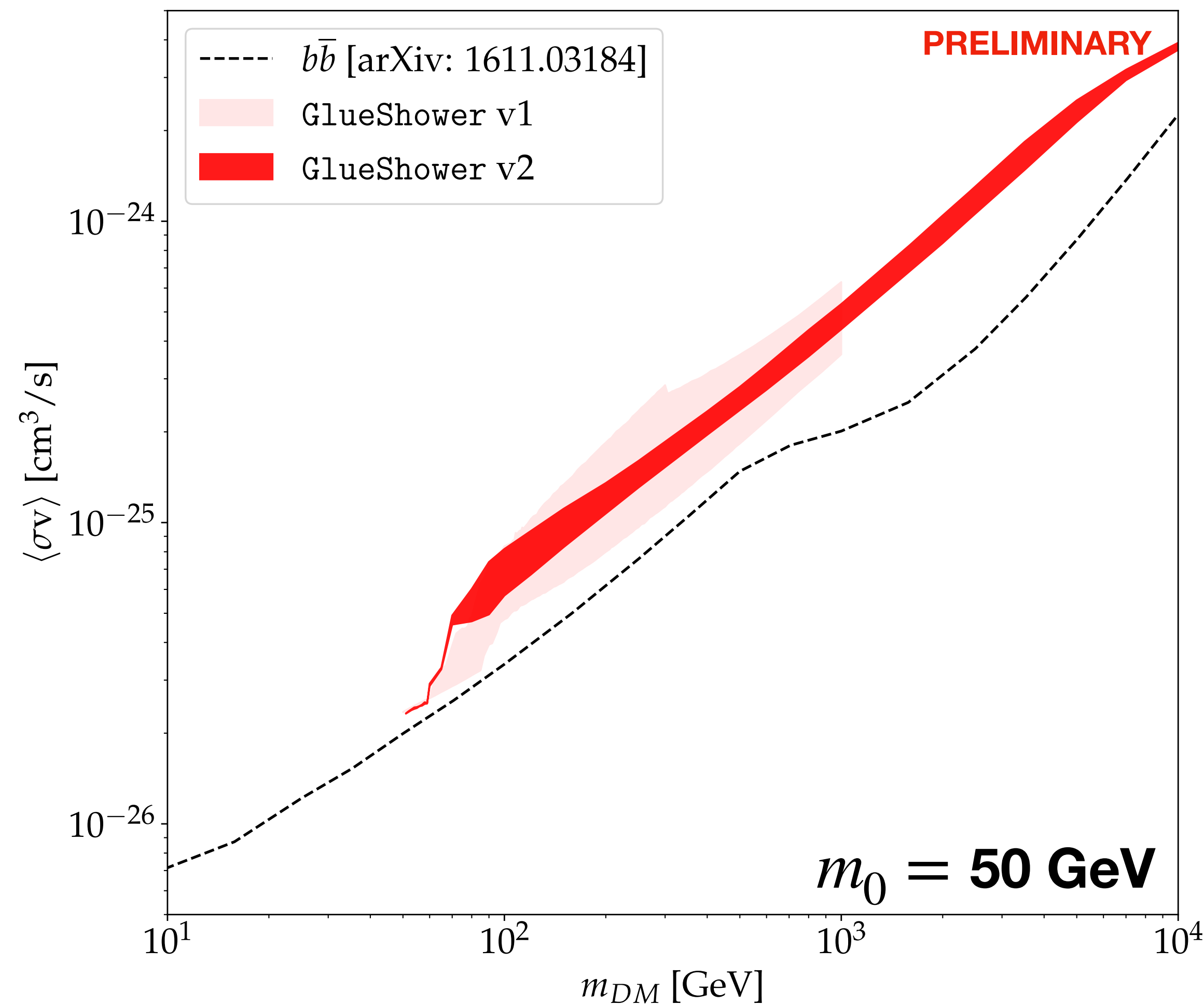
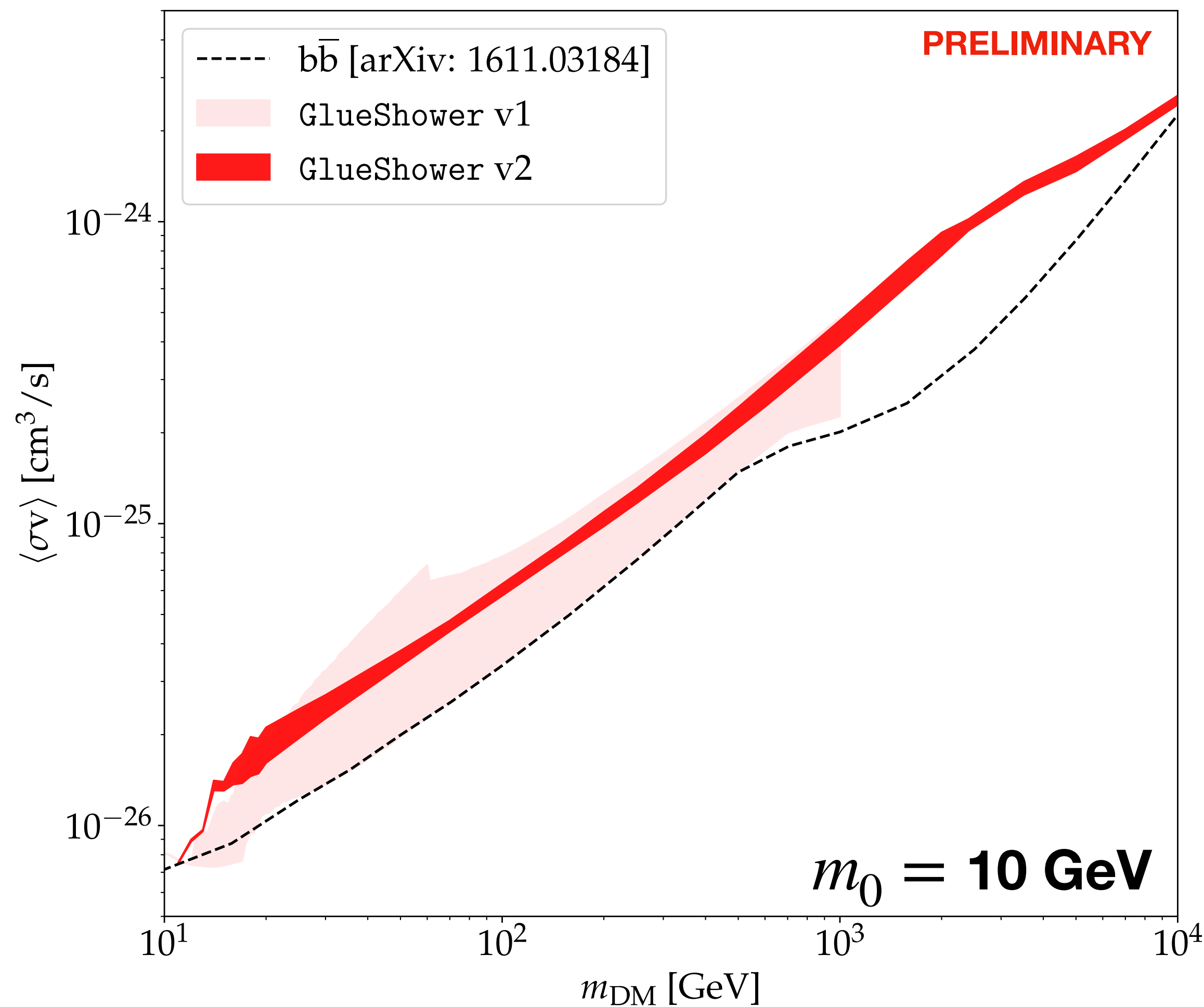
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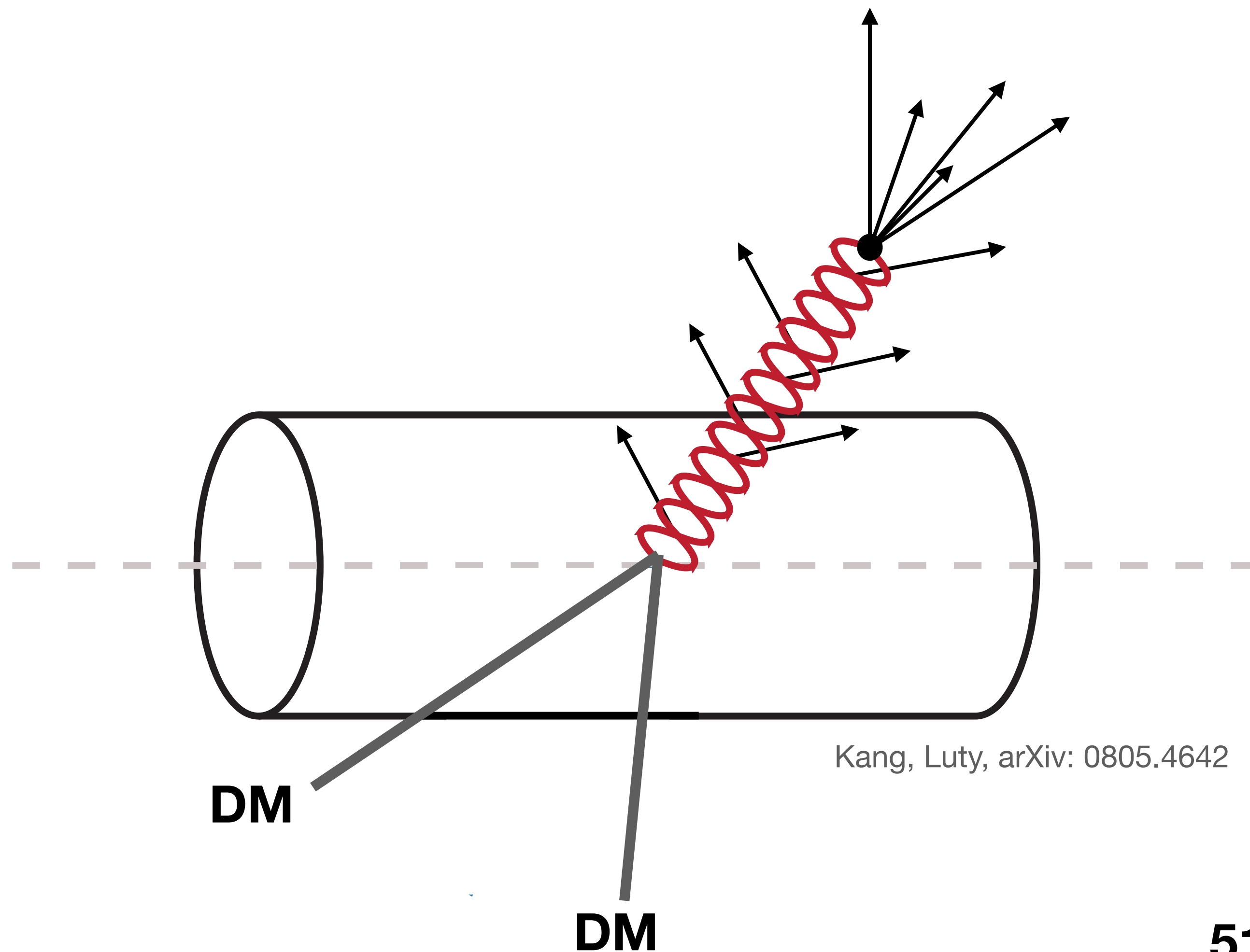


Future Work

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Open Questions

- **Quirkonium dynamics**
 - **If DM could annihilate to the heavy quarks, they would form a 'quirky' bound state**
 - **This system can only de-excite by glueball emission, once each crossing time, still unknown**
 - **Eventually the heavy quarks annihilate into gluons which then produces a glueball shower**



Open Questions

- **AMS-02 antinuclei excess**
 - **AMS-02 is potentially seeing comparable rates of antihelium-4 production to antihelium-3 production**
 - **Naively should expect $\mathcal{O}(10^3 - 10^4)$ suppression relative to each species due to phase space suppression**
 - Winkler, De La Torre Luque, Linden, arXiv: 2211.00025
Other papers have hypothesised the ability of a confining dark sector to boost SM Parton multiplicity to overcome the phase space suppression
 - **Dark sector glueballs are generically too long lived to achieve this, but could other dark sector implementations work? SUEP?**

Summary

- **A $N_f = 0$ dark QCD sector is both a theoretically motivated but also relatively generic BSM extension**
- **GlueShower and its updates provide the first MC simulations to allow quantitative studies of these model observables**
 - **Collider sensitivity estimates**
 - **Indirect detection constraints**
- **Lots of work still to do: further iterations on the GlueShower physics, addressing new astro anomalies, detailed collider searches...**