

# The predictive power of the asymptotic safety paradigm for gravity and matter

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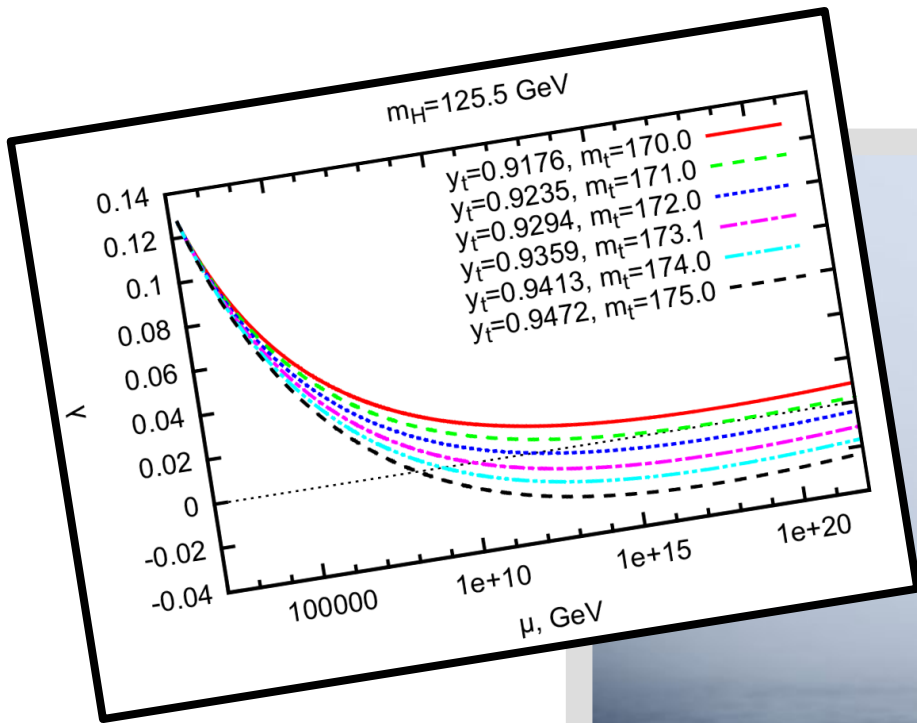
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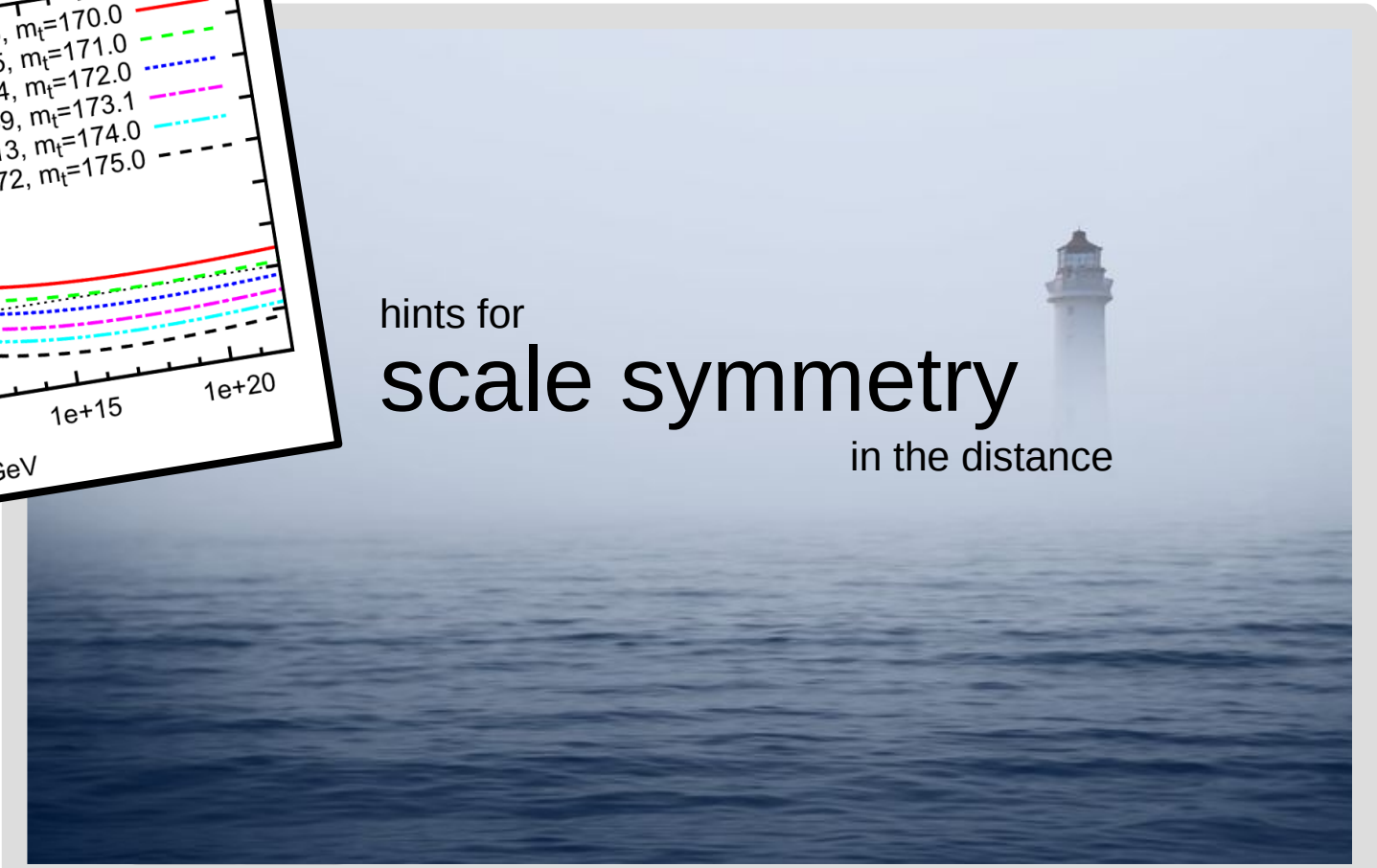


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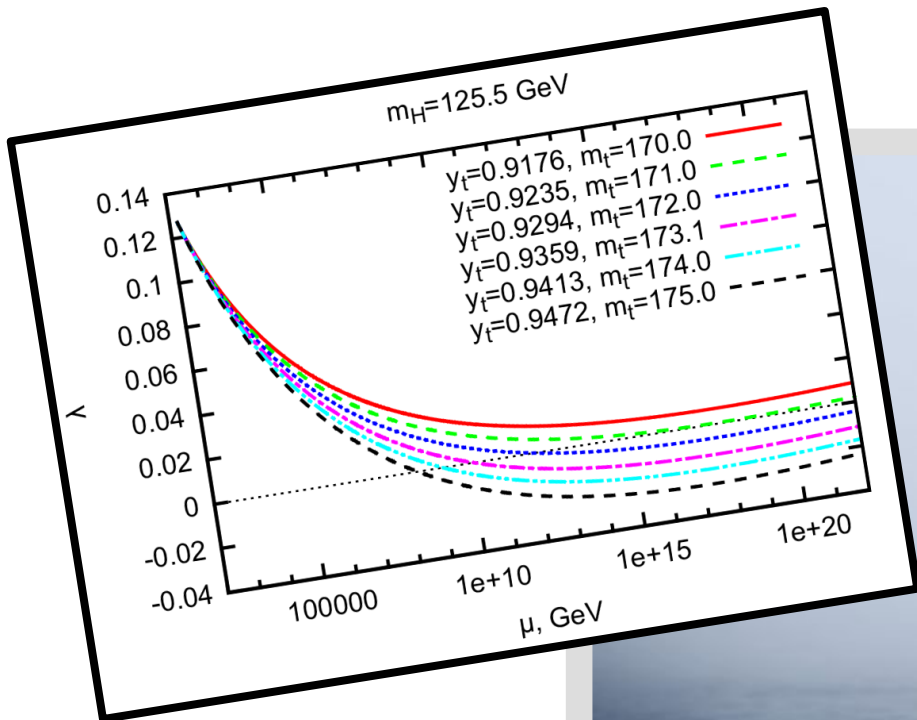
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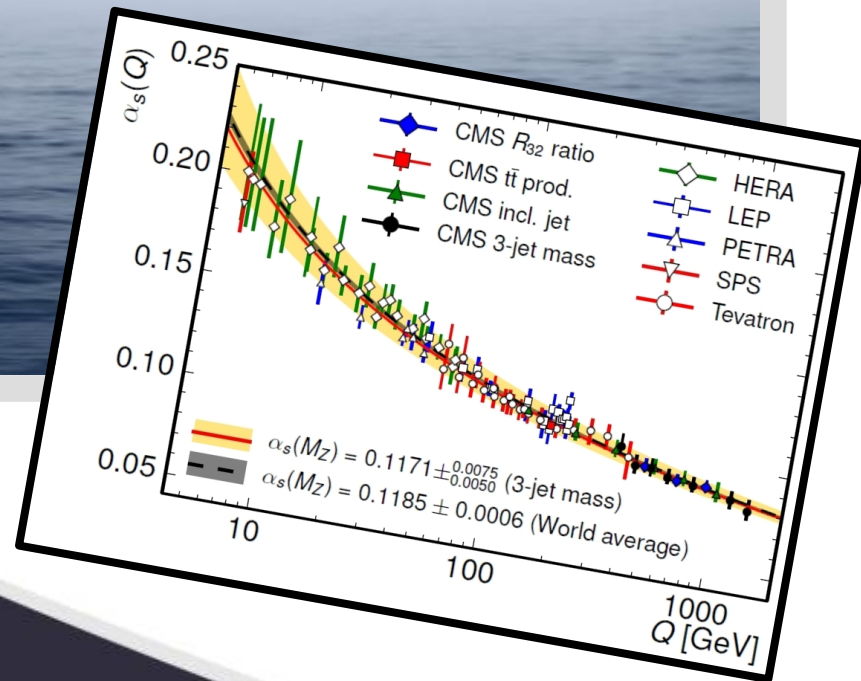




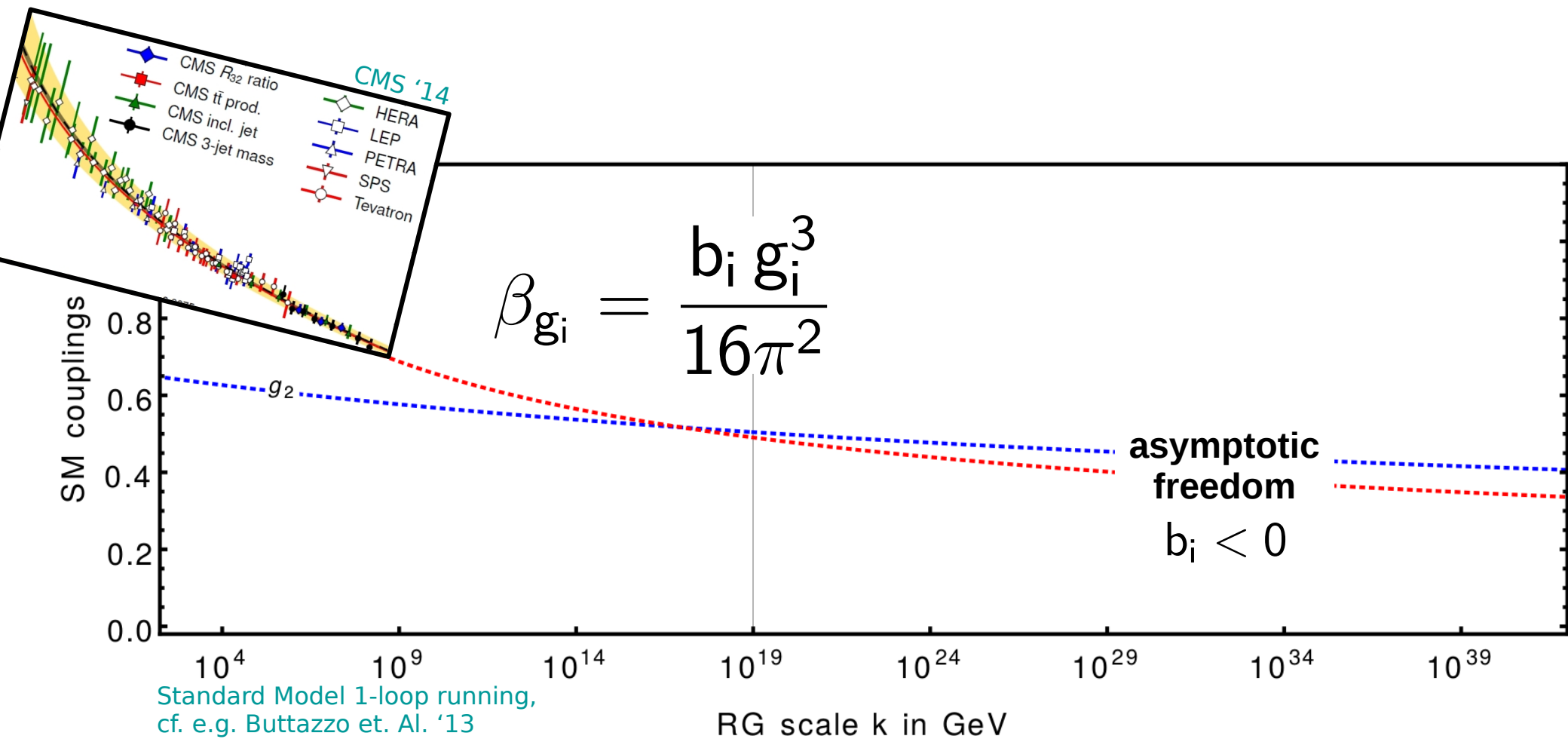
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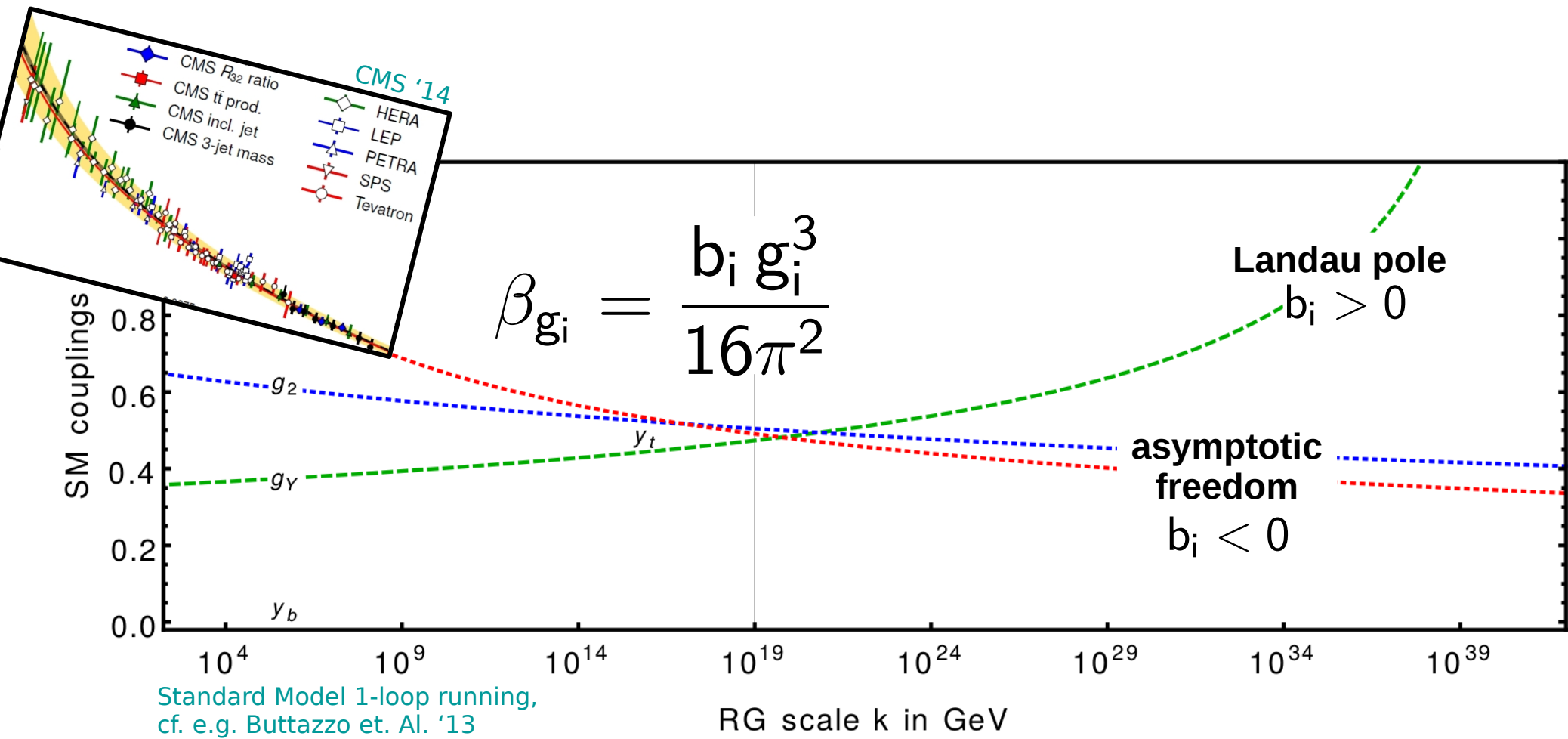
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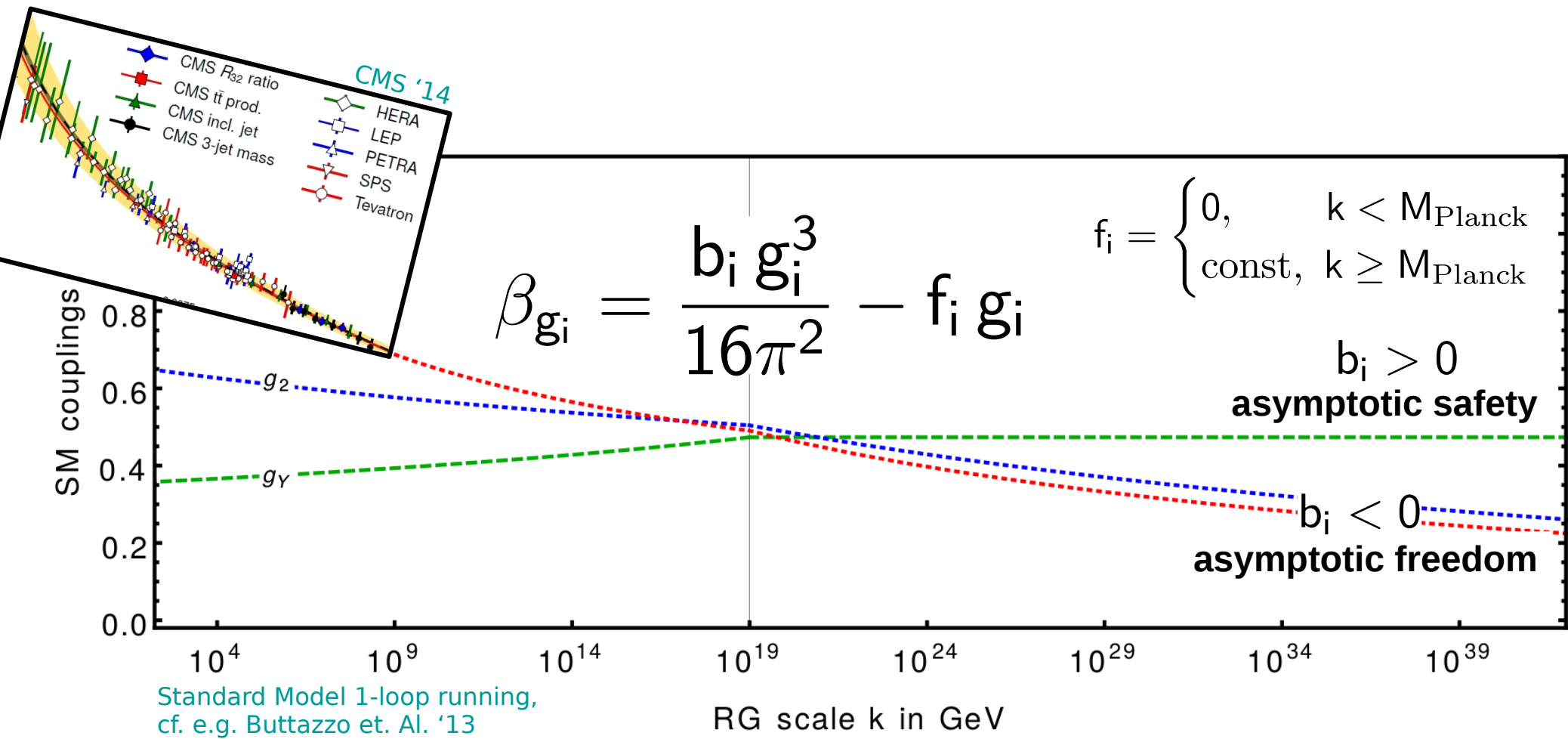
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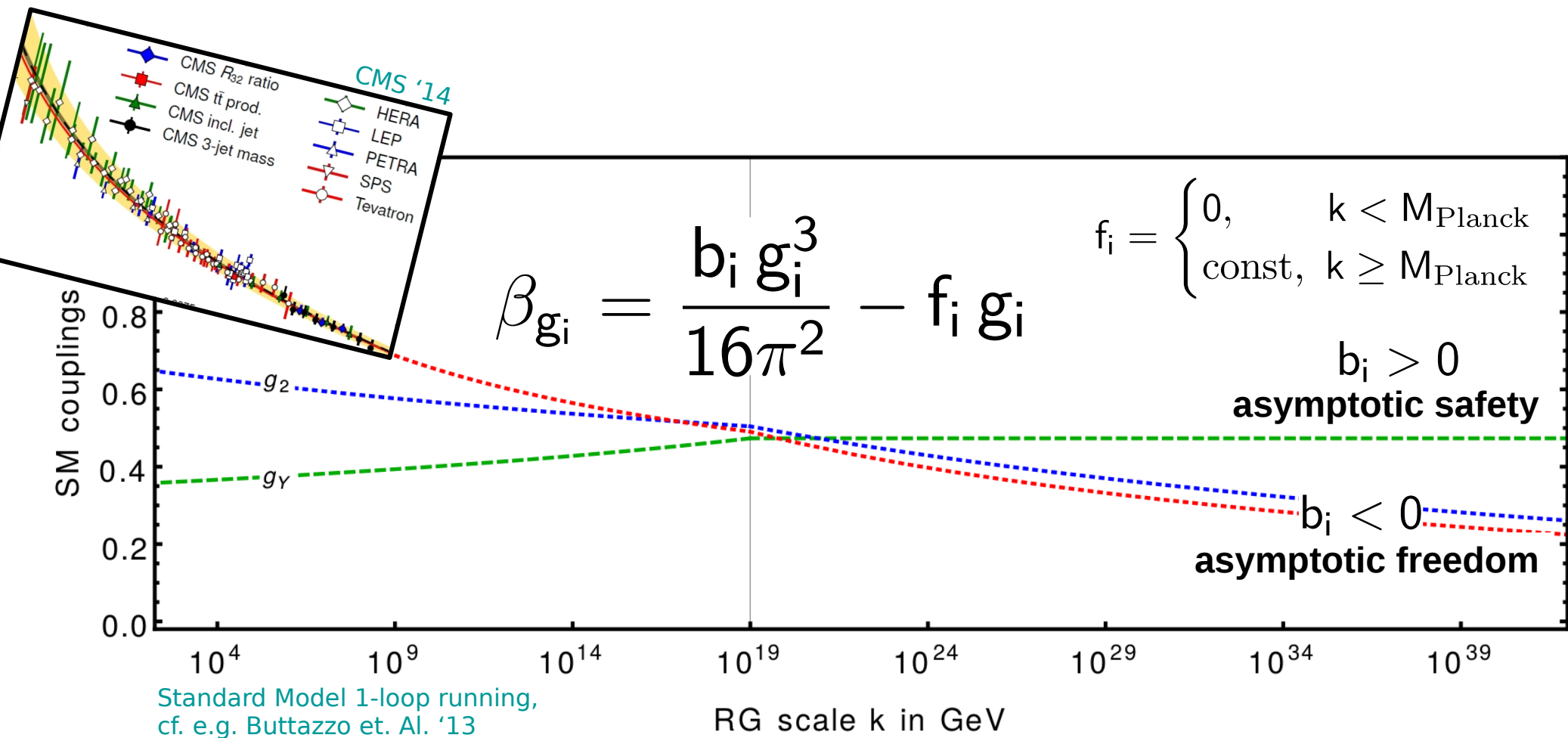
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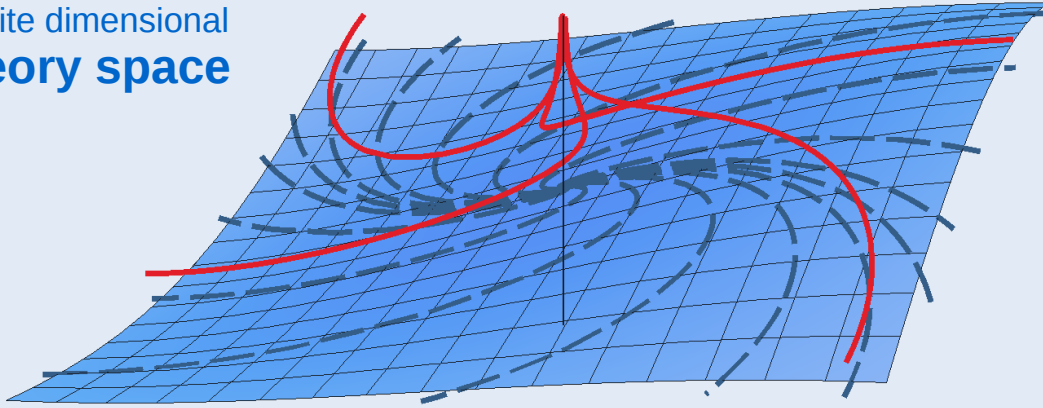
## Asymptotic Safety

scale invariance  
 in presence of quantum fluctuations

# Asymptotic safety of quantum gravity

Weinberg '76

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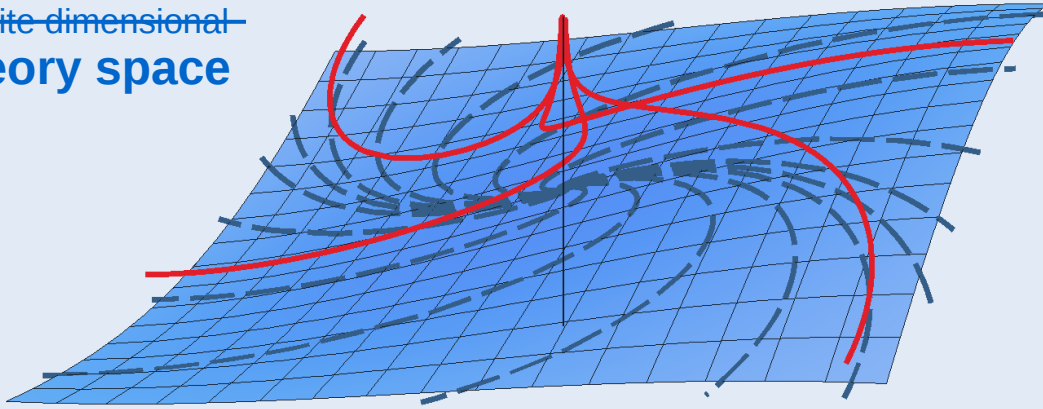
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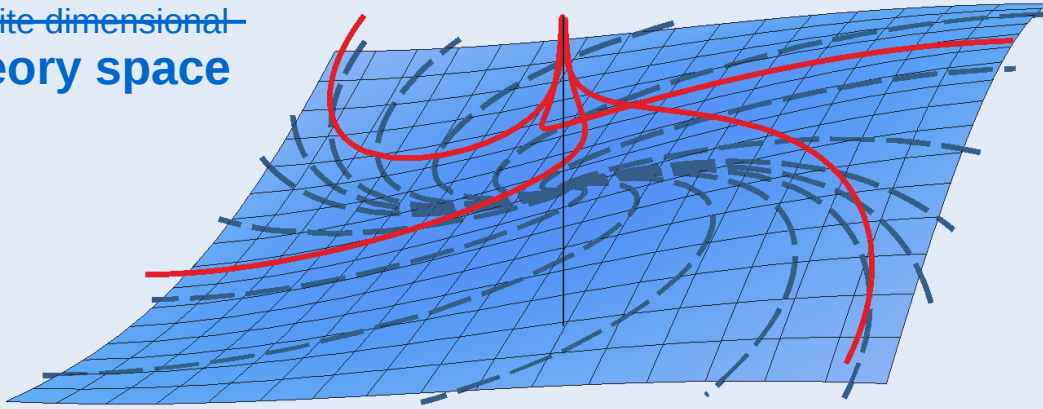
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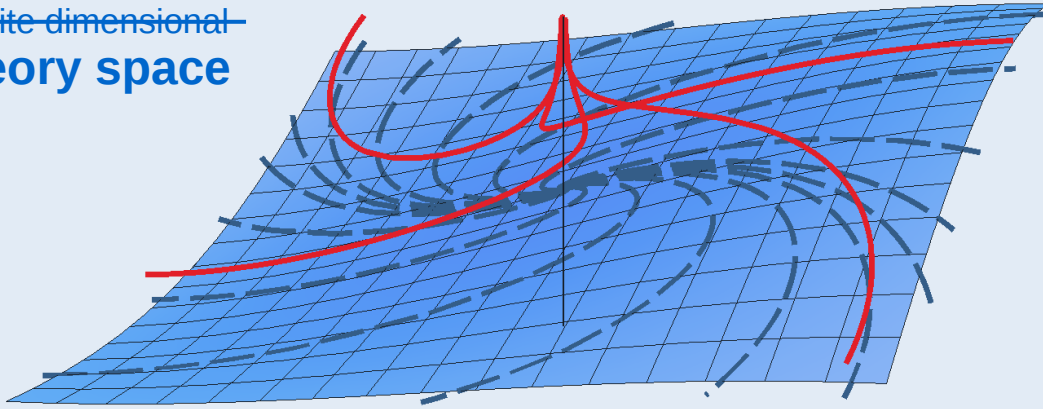
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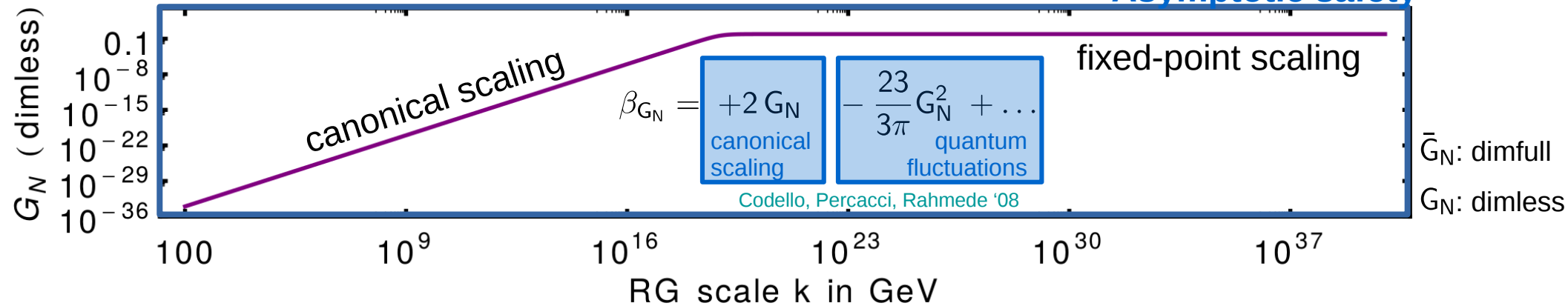


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Asymptotic safety



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**observables**  
SM and gravity couplings

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$$\frac{M_{\text{ew}}}{M_{\text{Planck}}} \approx 10^{-16}$$

free parameters

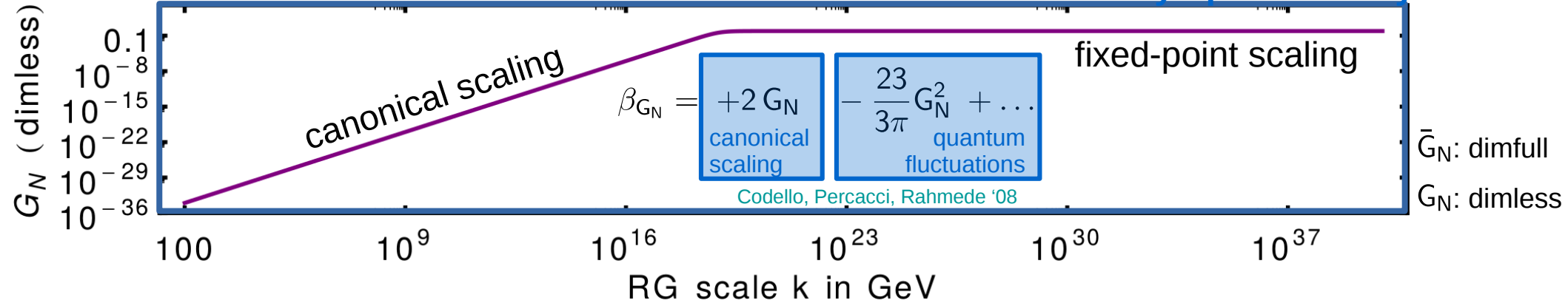
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predicted couplings

electroweak scale

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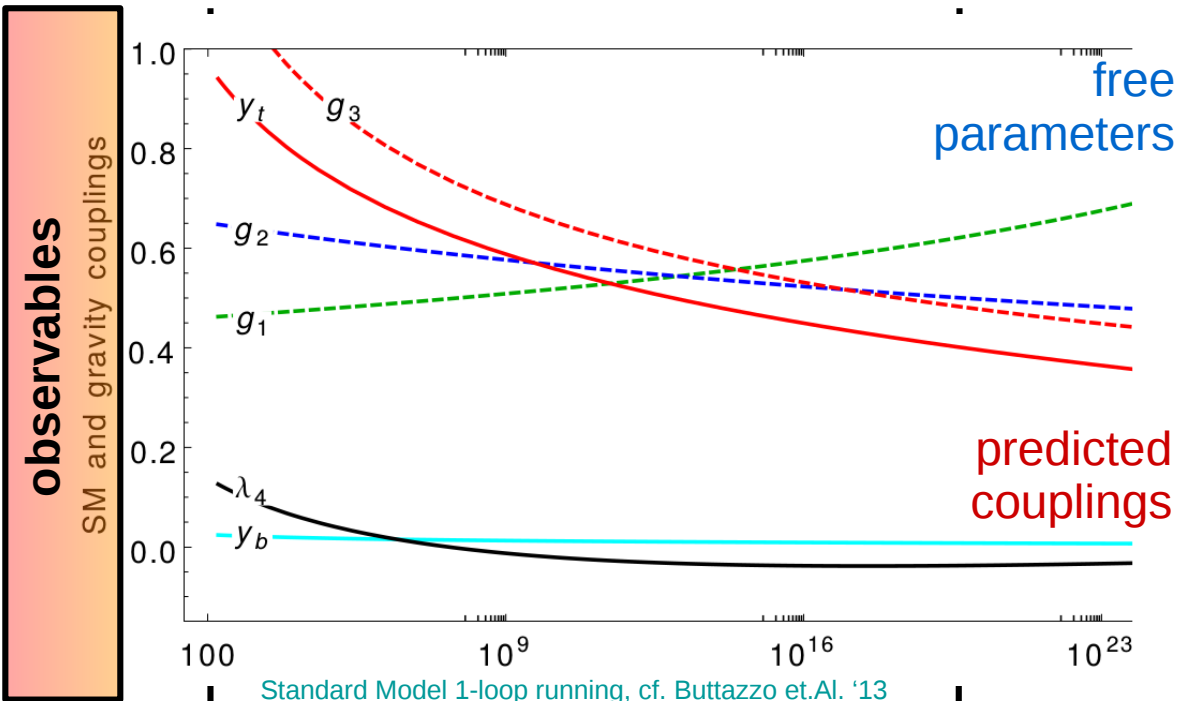
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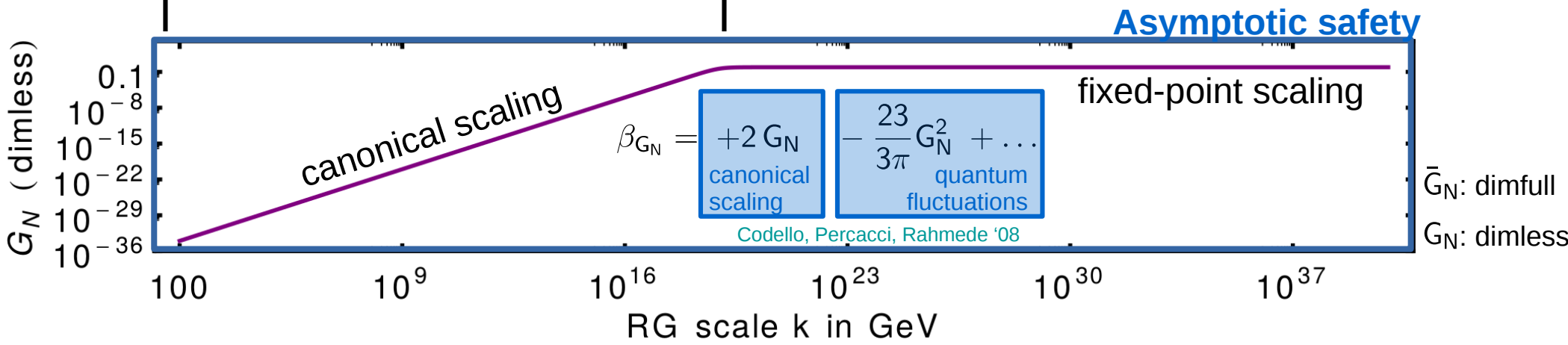


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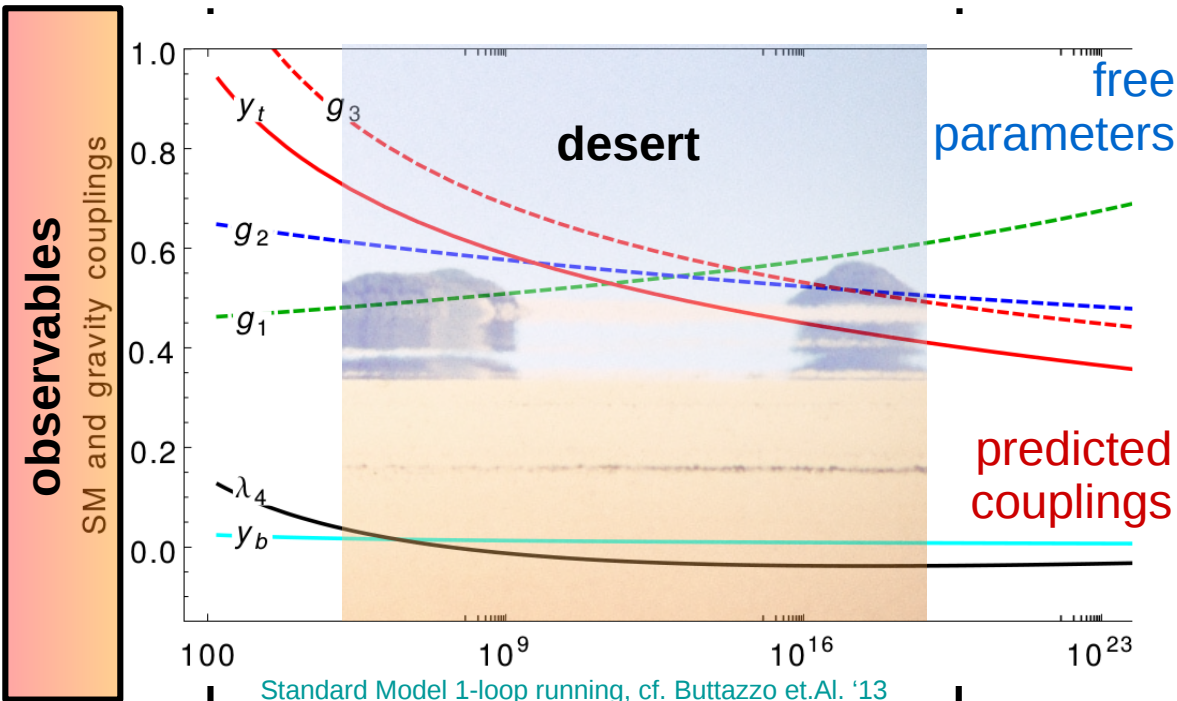


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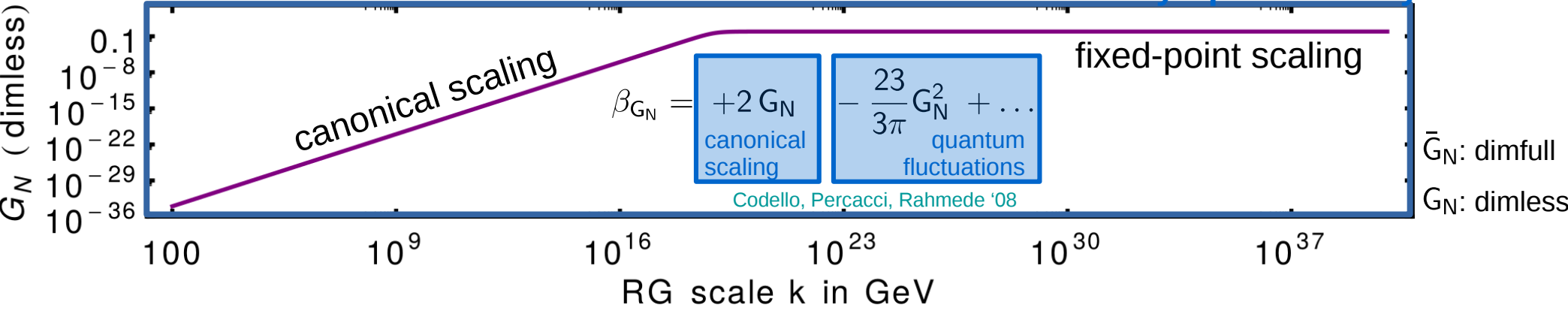
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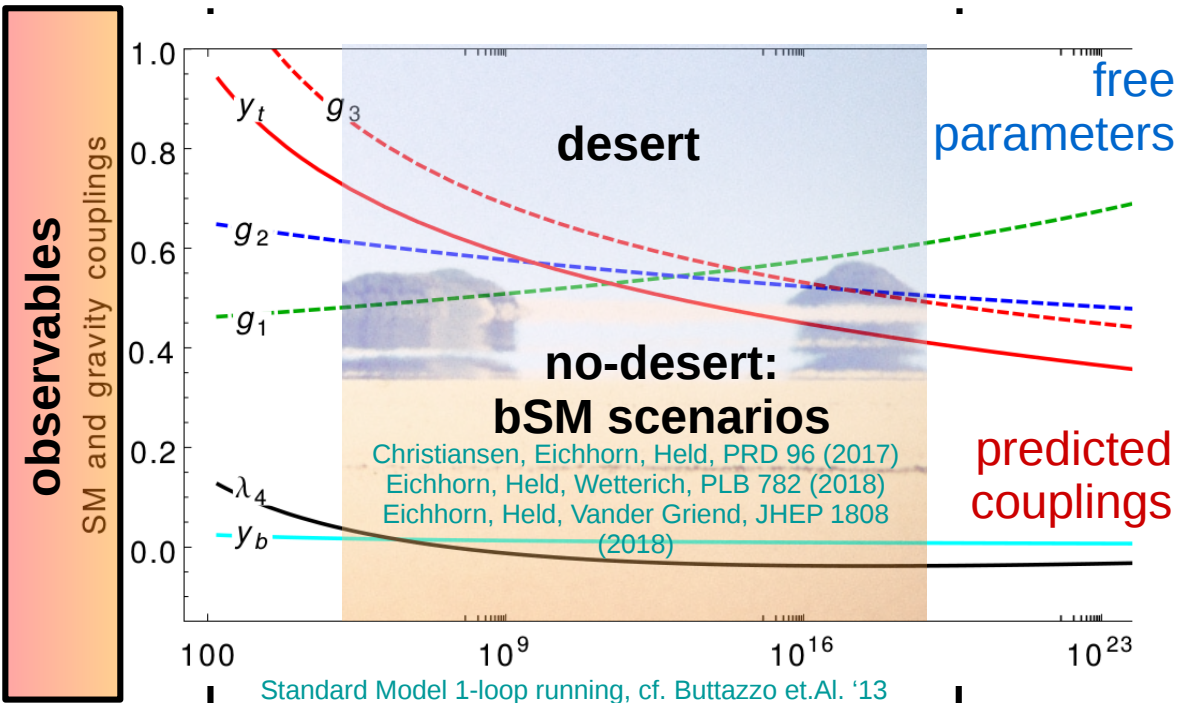
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fixed-point scaling

$\bar{G}_N$ : dimfull  
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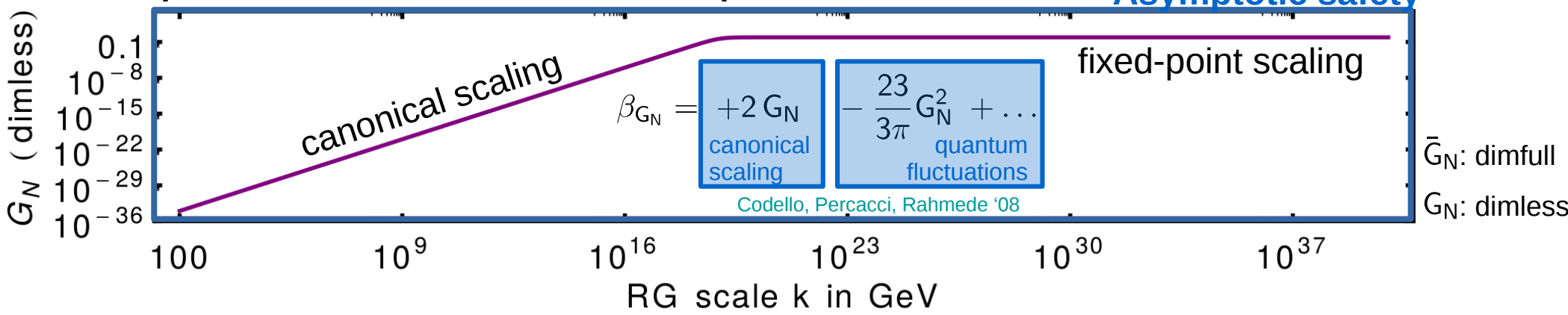
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canonical scaling

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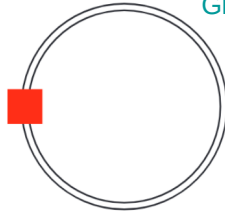
$$\beta_{G_N} = +2 G_N - \frac{23}{3\pi} G_N^2 + \dots$$

canonical scaling
quantum fluctuations

Codello, Percacci, Rahmede '08

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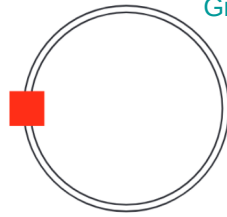
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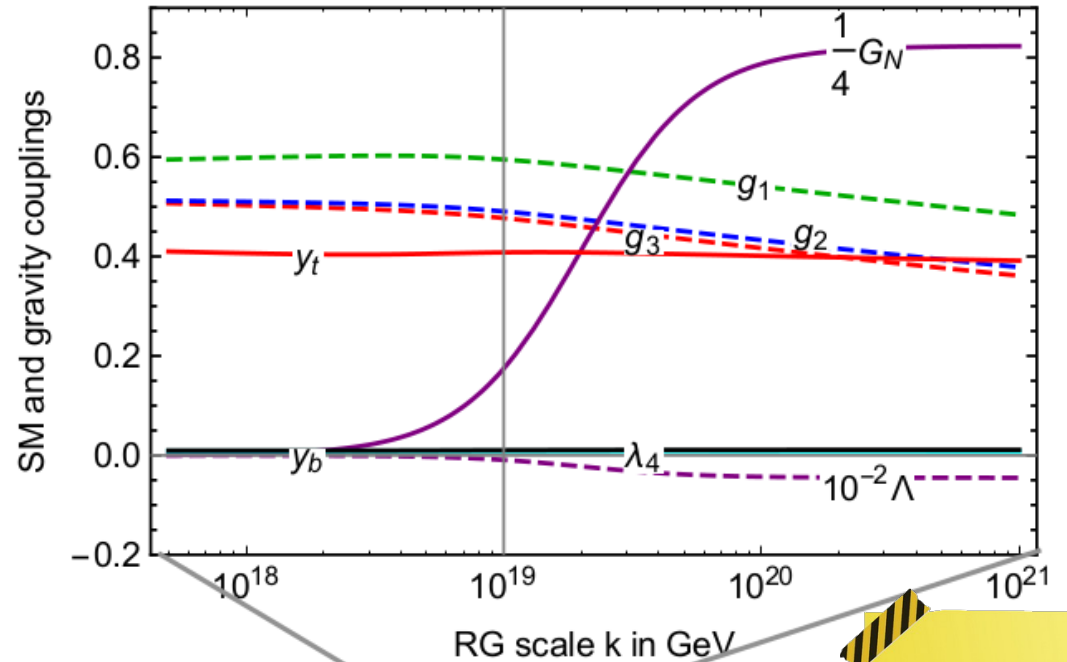
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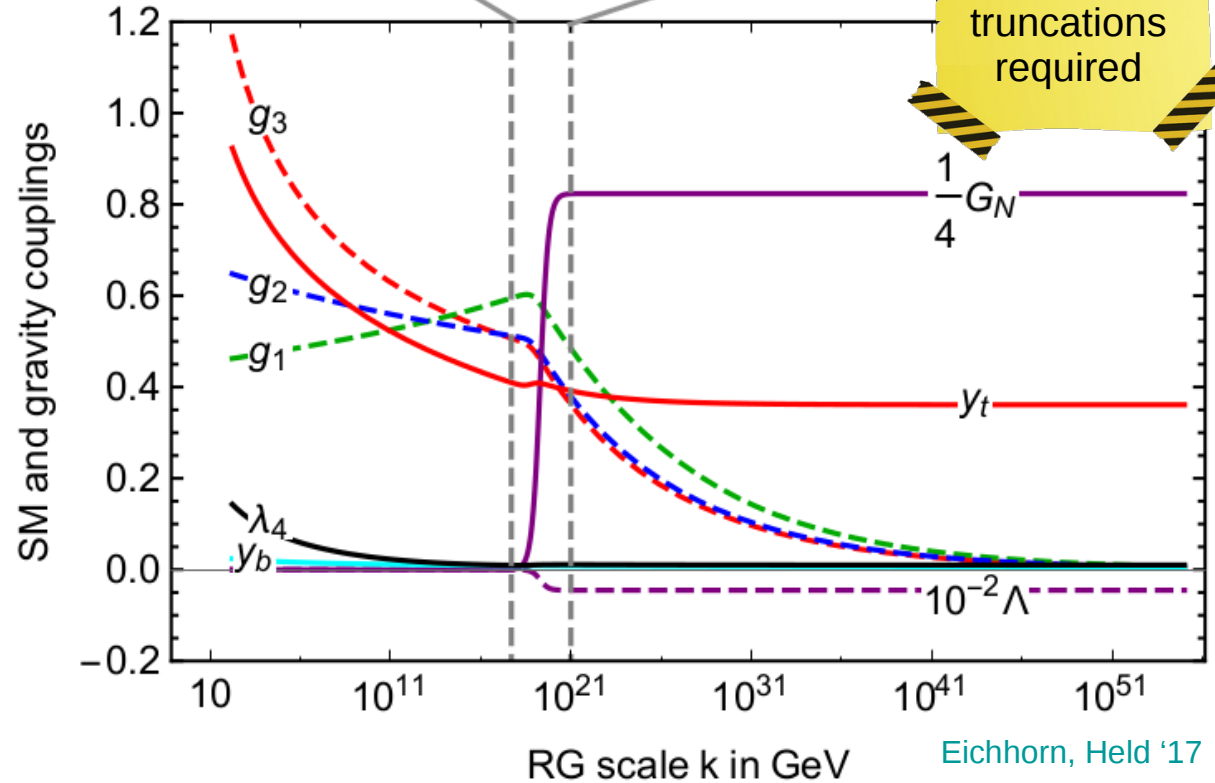
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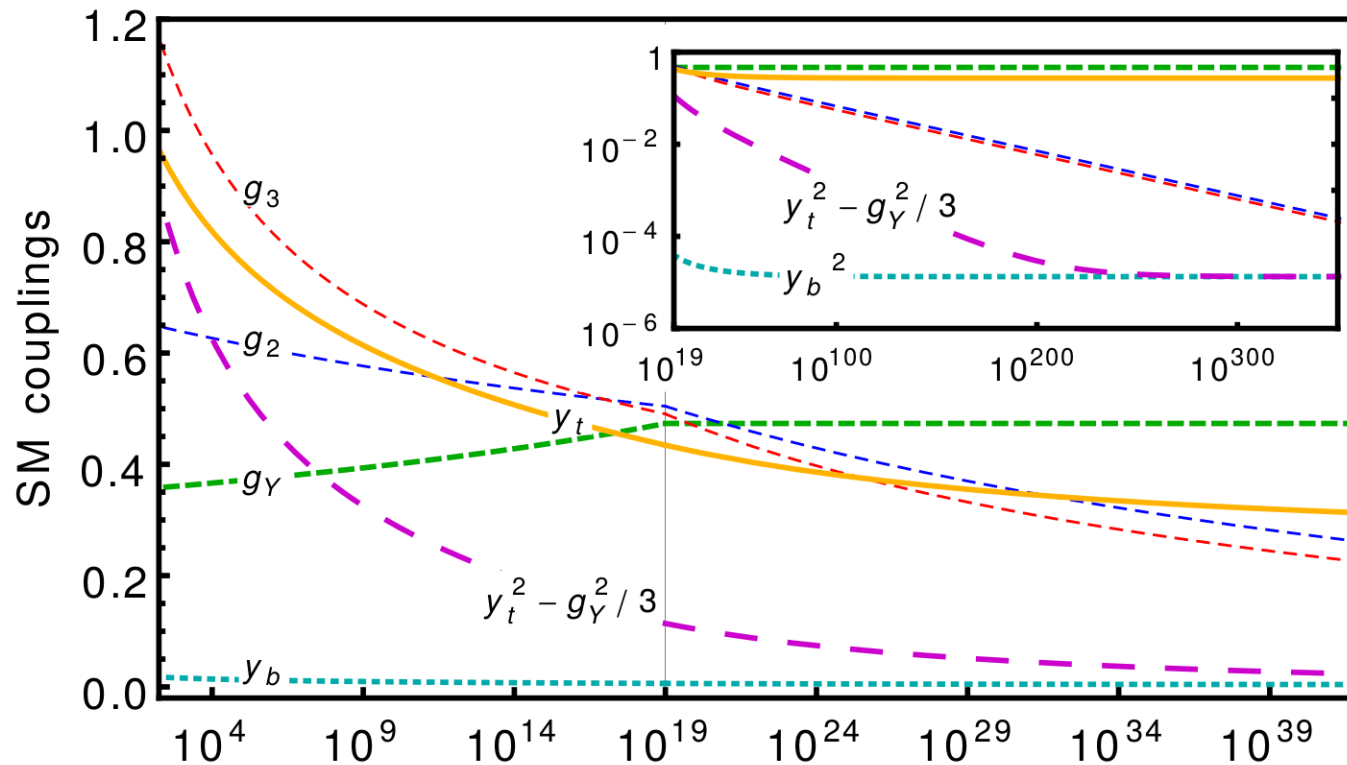
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extended truncations required



# Mass difference for charged quarks



RG scale  $k$  in GeV

Eichhorn, Held, PRL 121 (2018)

**mass difference**  
from  
**charge difference**

$$\frac{y_{t*}^2 - y_{b*}^2}{Q_t^2 - Q_b^2} = g_{Y*}^2$$

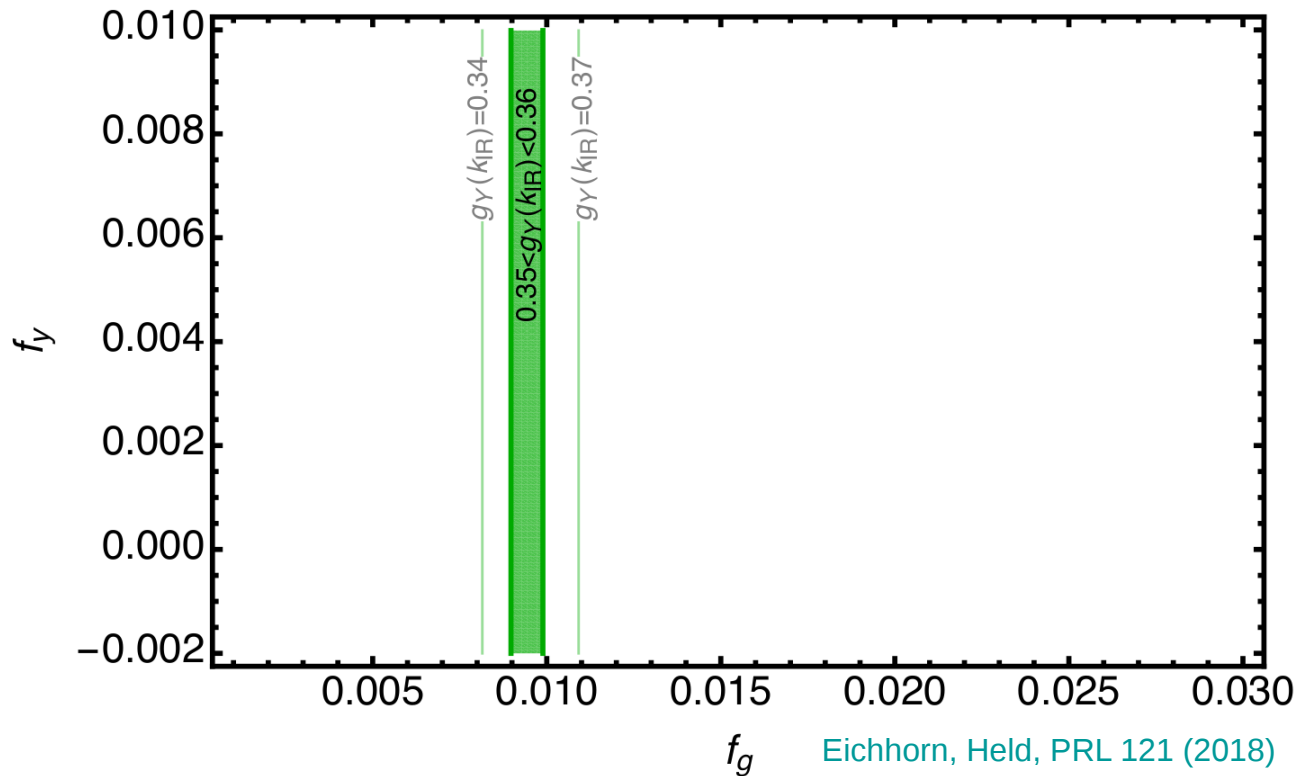
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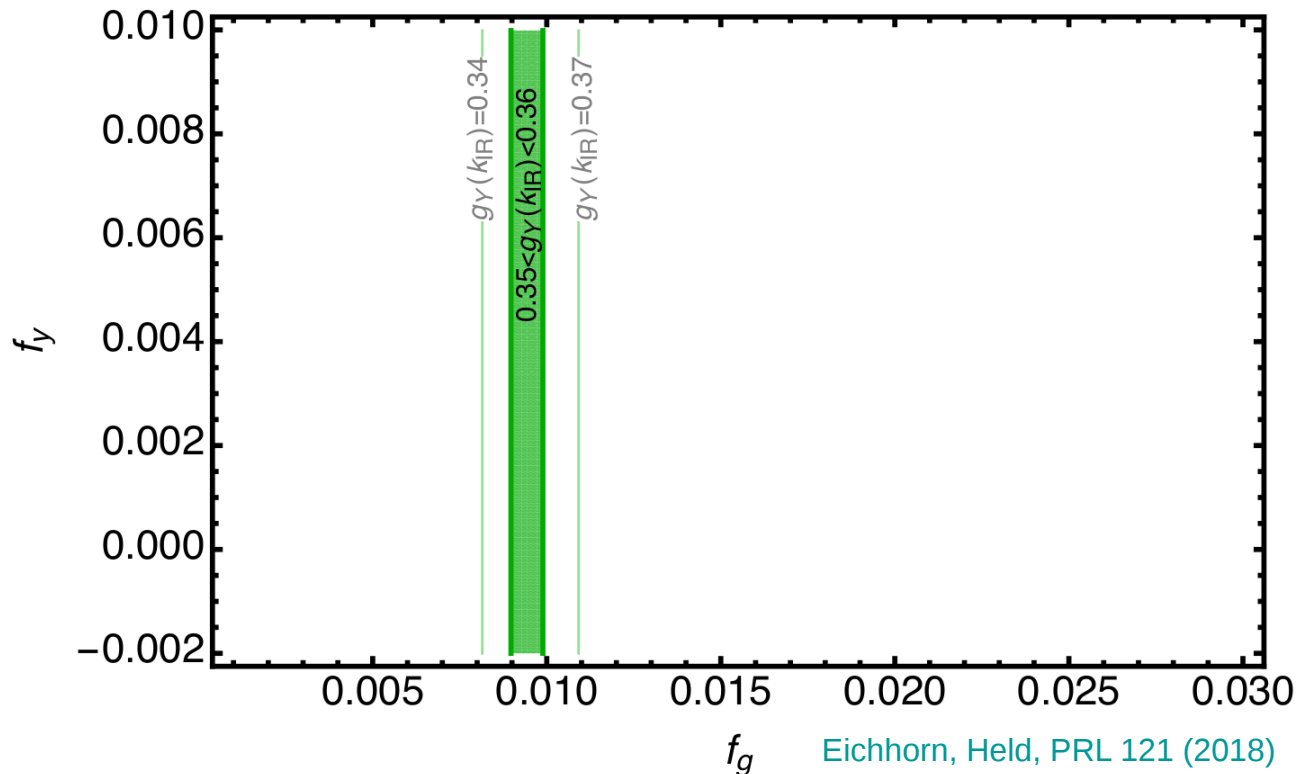
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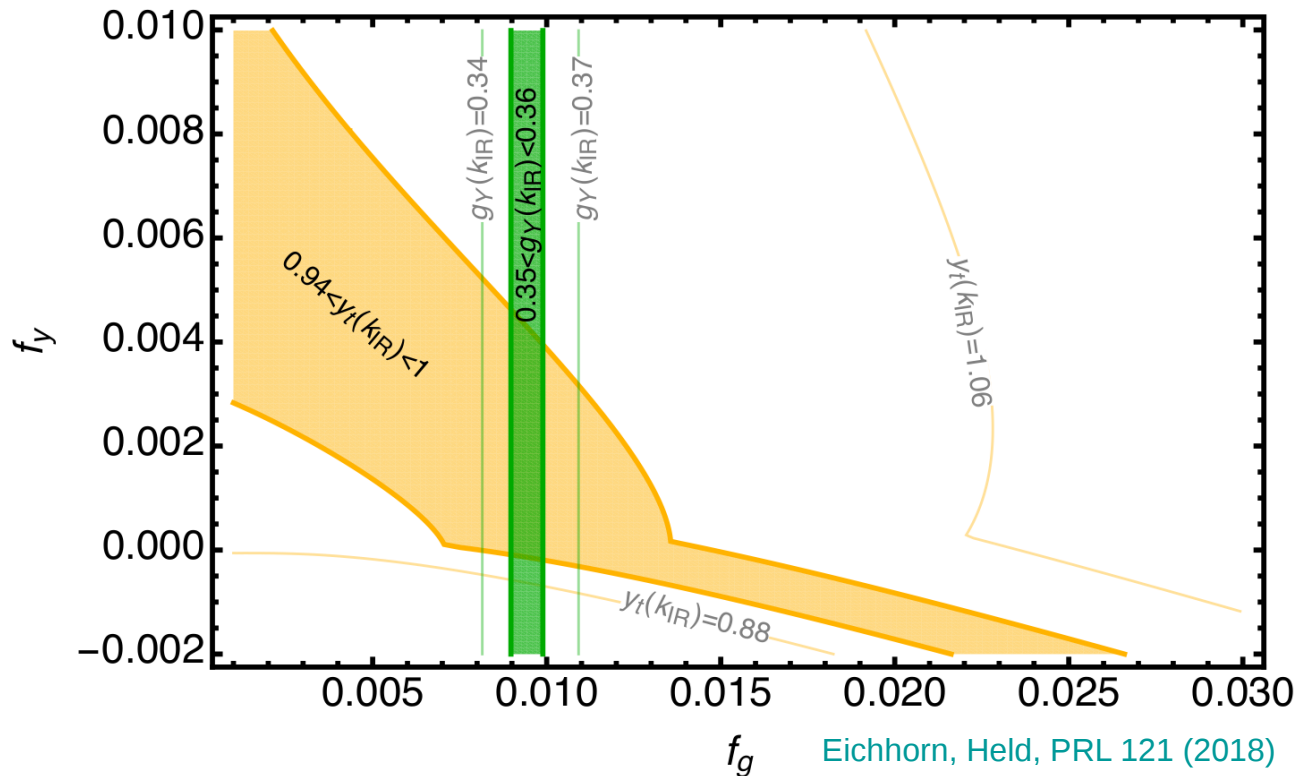
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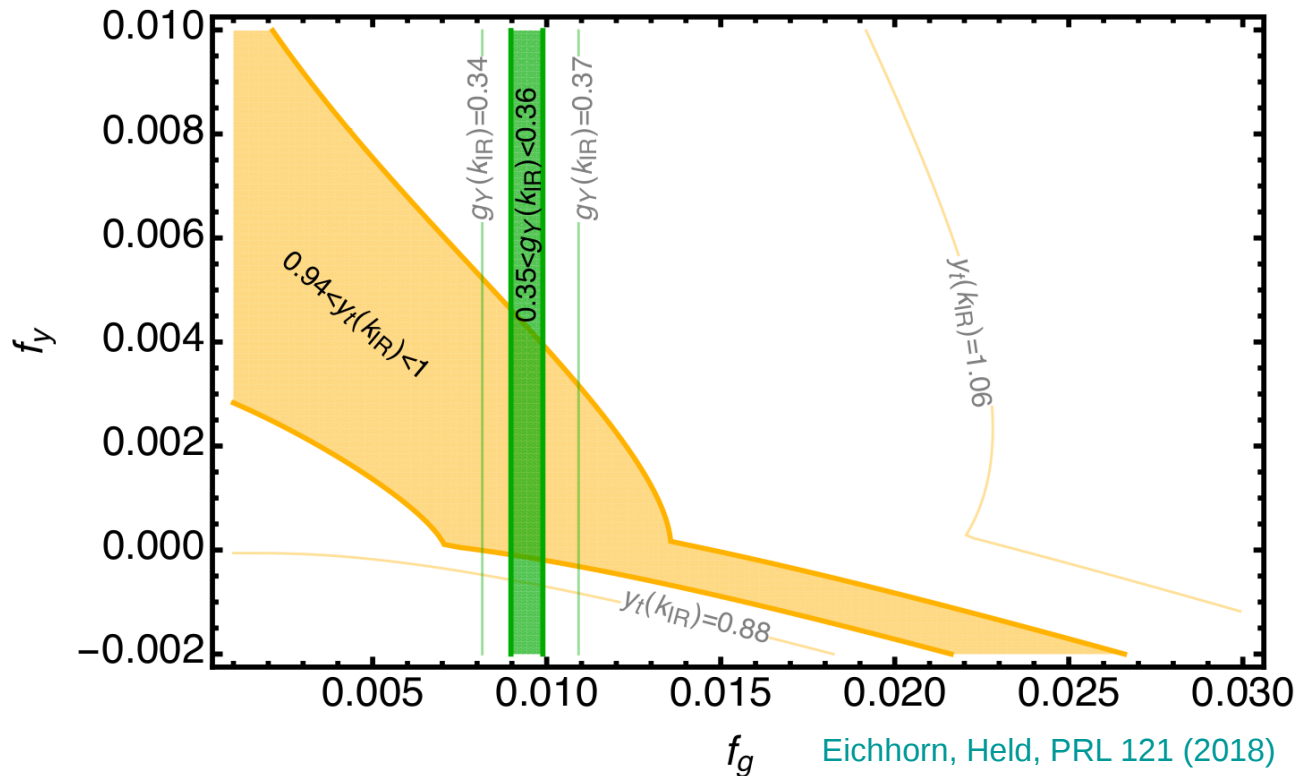
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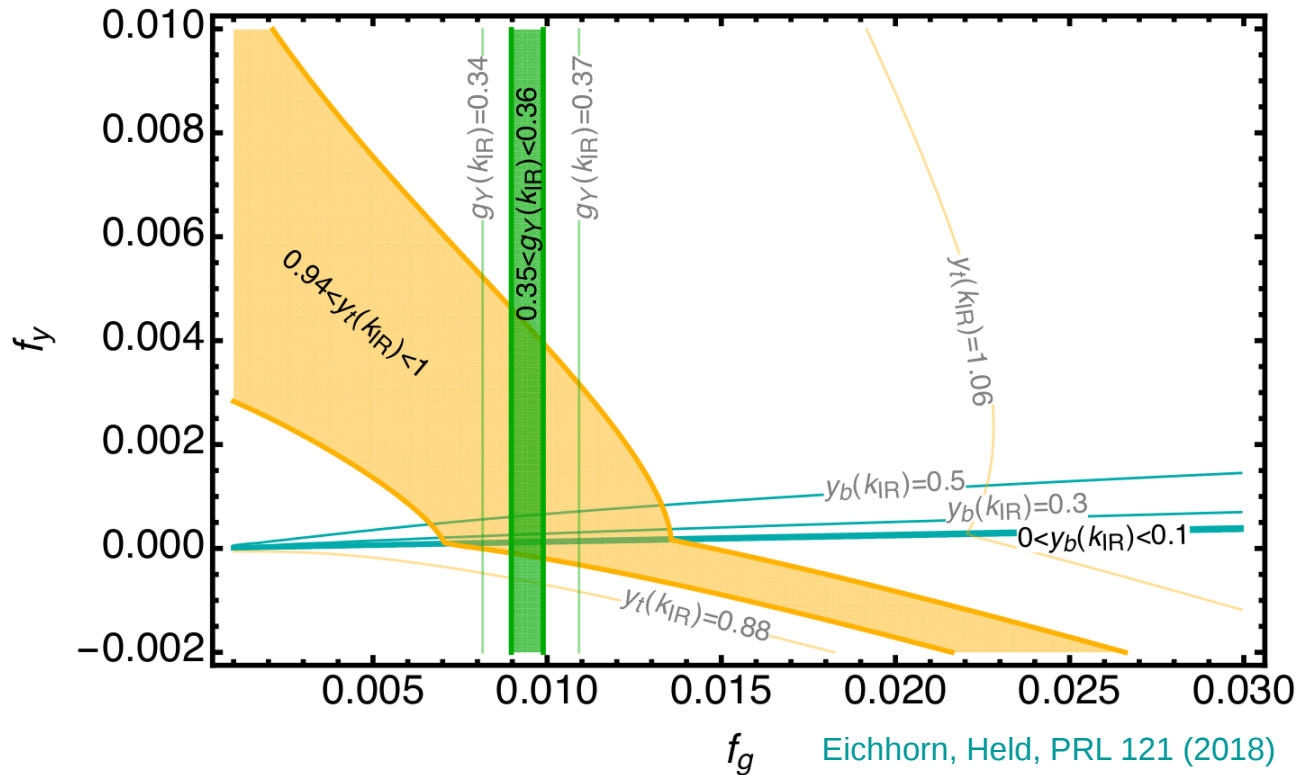
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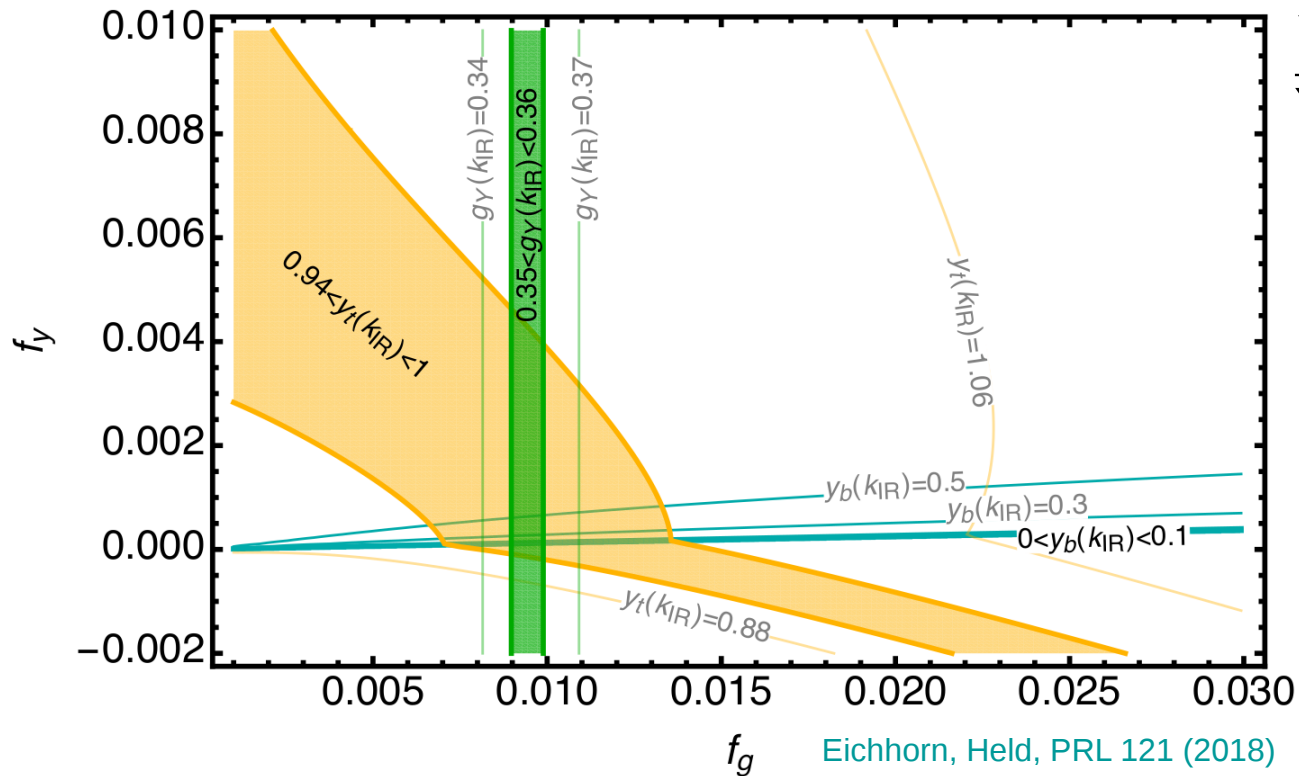
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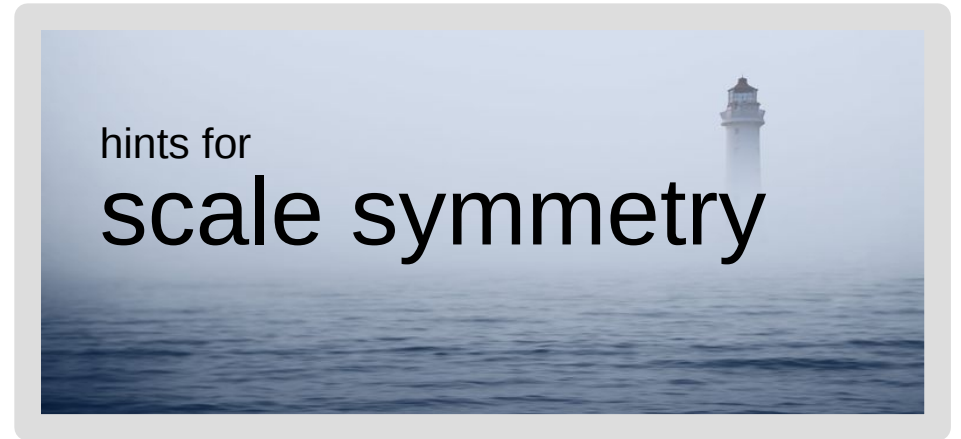
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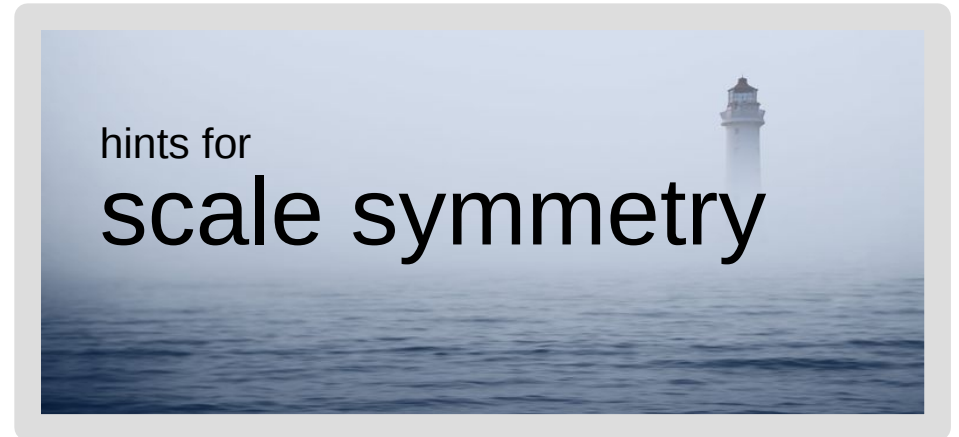
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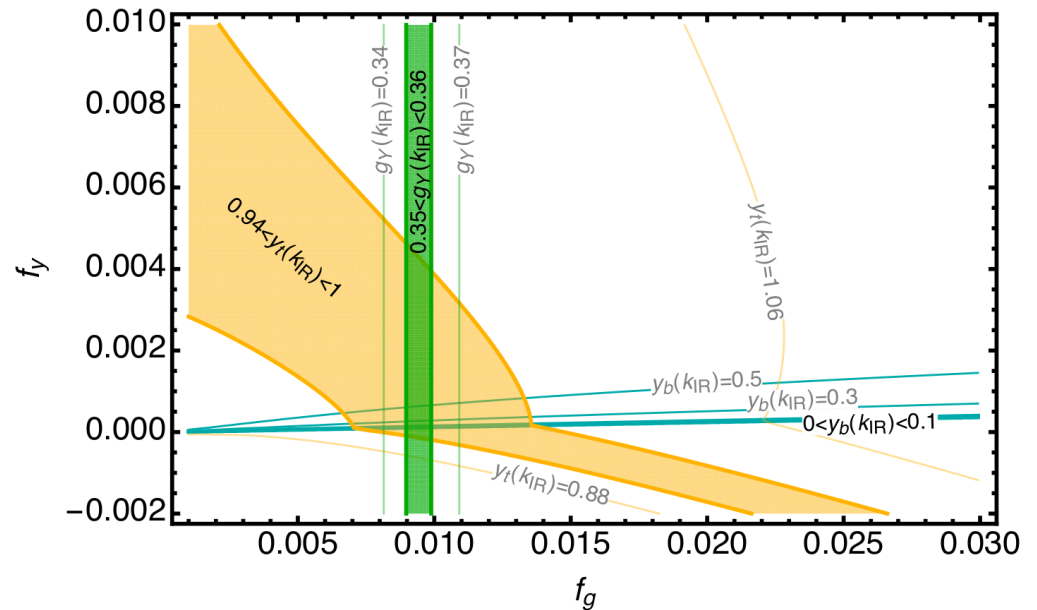
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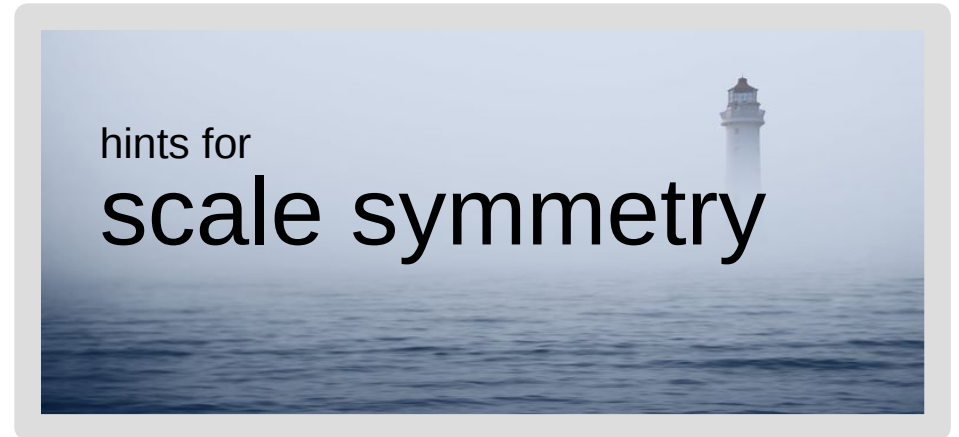
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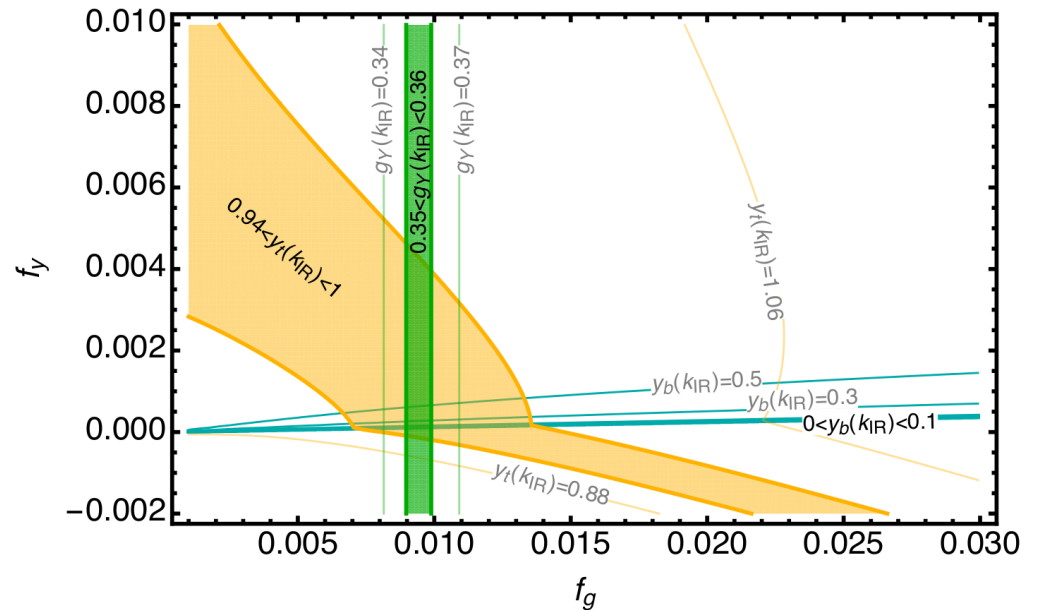
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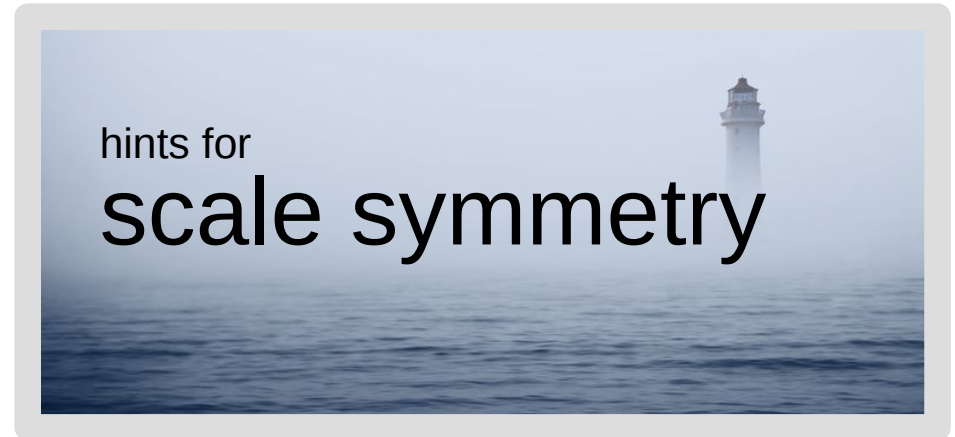
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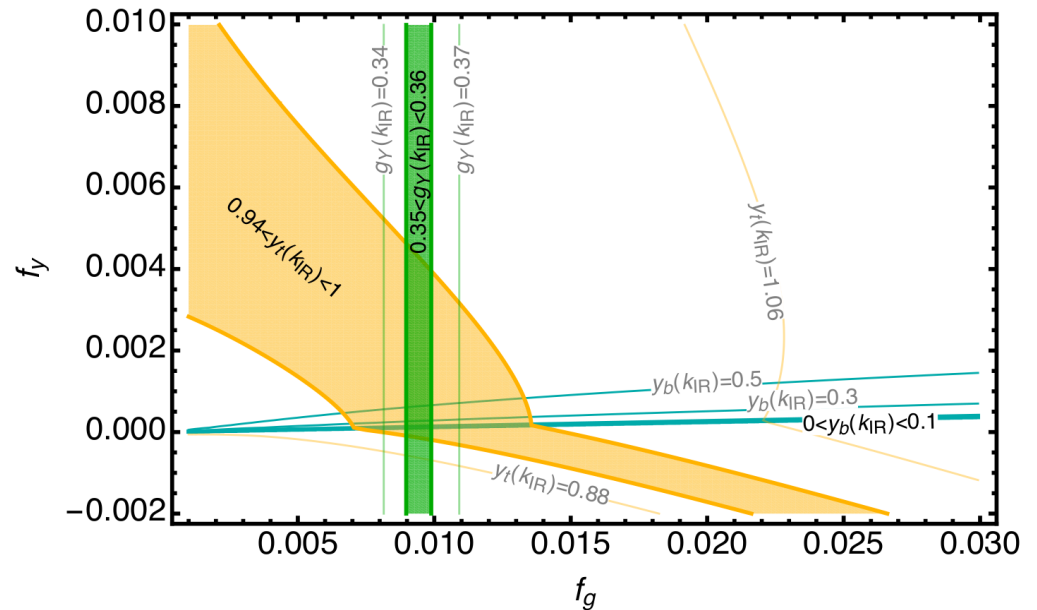
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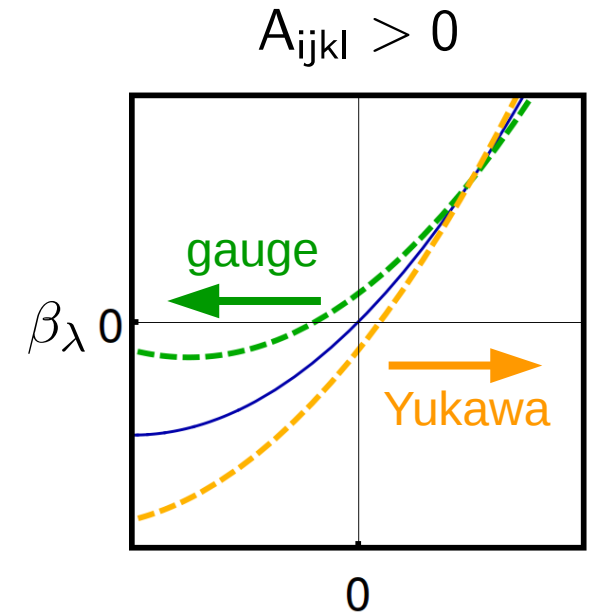
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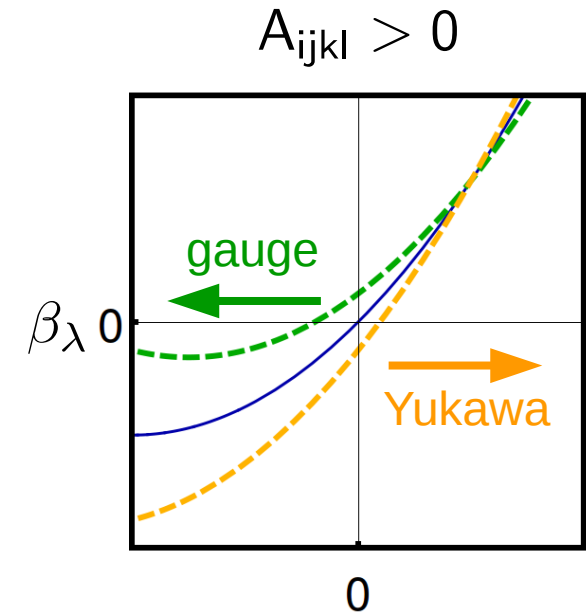


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see talk by M Yamada

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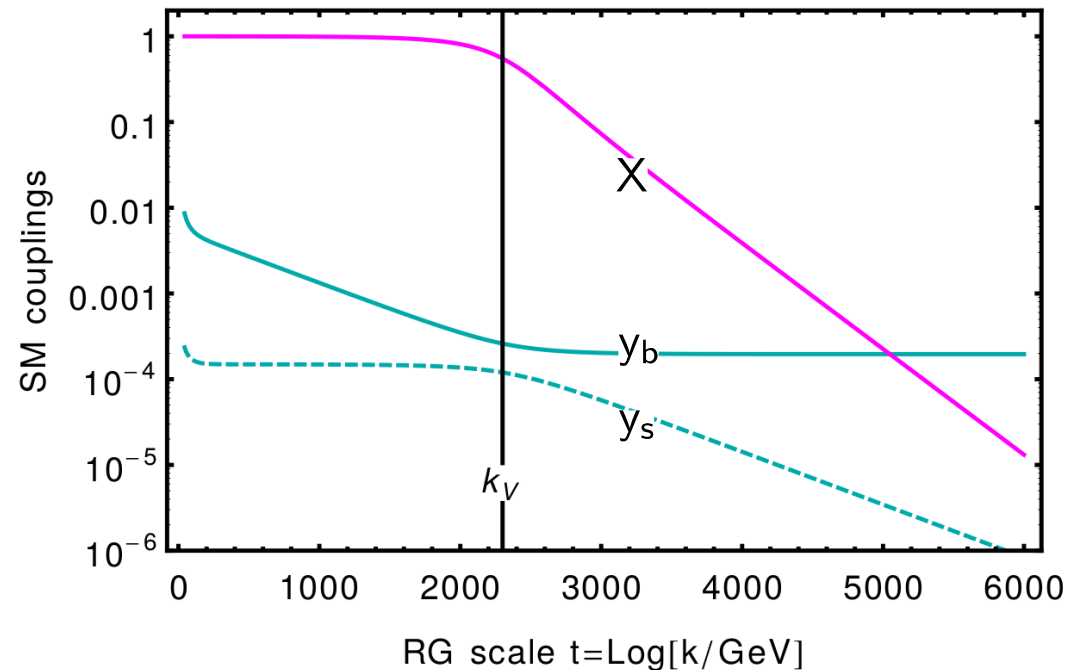
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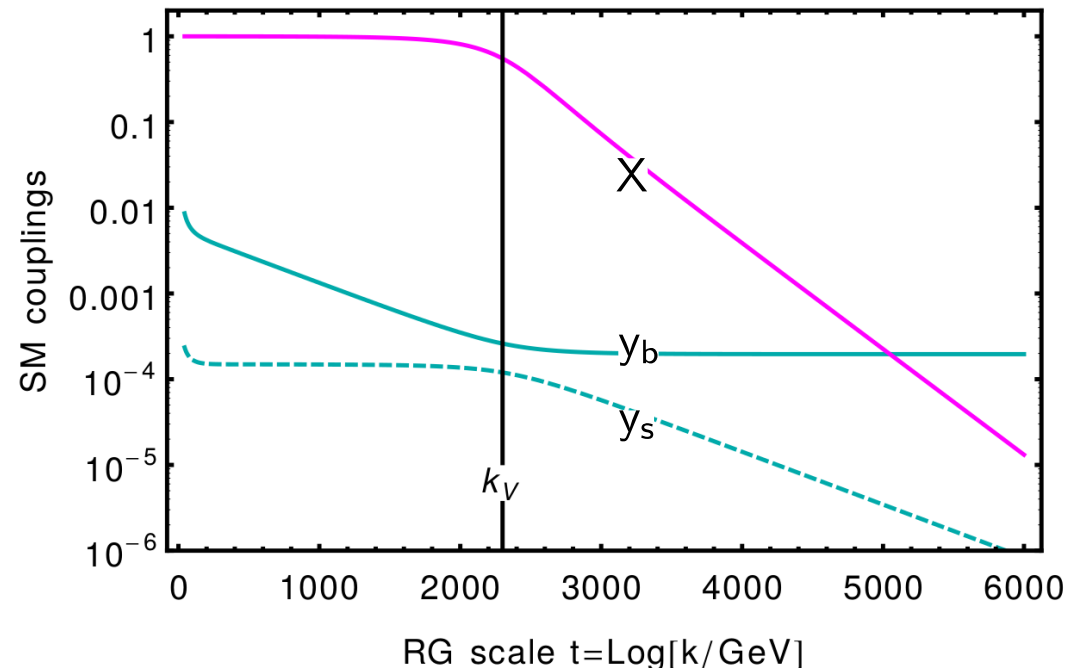
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