

Flavour Probes of MeV-GeV ALPs

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1. Theory Motivations for ALPs
2. Effective Lagrangian and Operator Evolution
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See Marvin Schnubel's talk

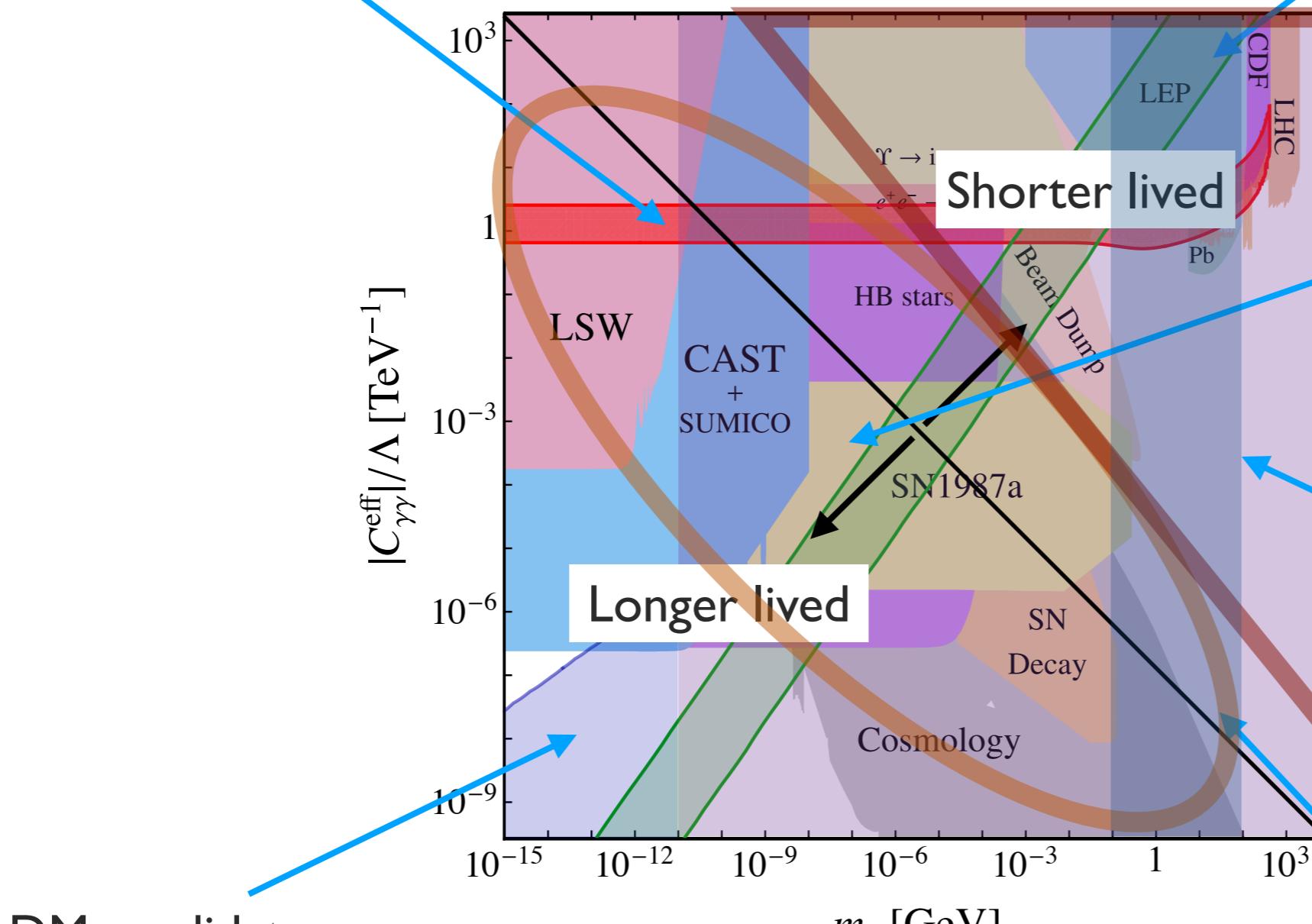
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Theory Motivation for ALPs

Axion-like particles are pseudo-Nambu Goldstone bosons

Solves $(g - 2)_\mu$ anomaly



QCD axion

[9703409](#), [0009290](#), [1411.3325](#), [1504.06084](#),
[1604.01127](#), [1606.03097](#)

ALPs from sun and stars

ALPs decay within collider

pNGB in supersymmetric
or composite models

[0902.1483](#), [1312.5330](#), [1702.02152](#)

DM candidate

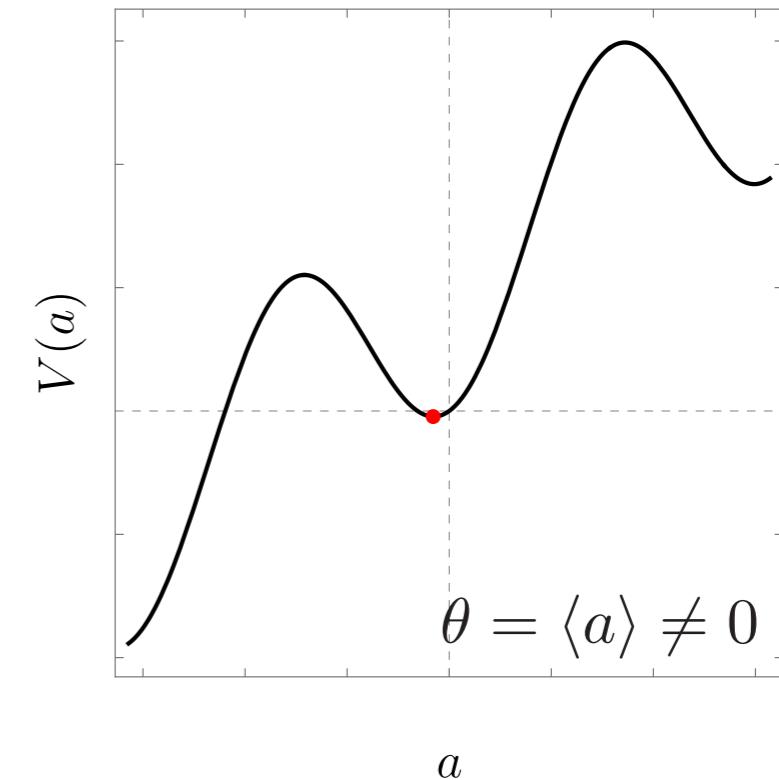
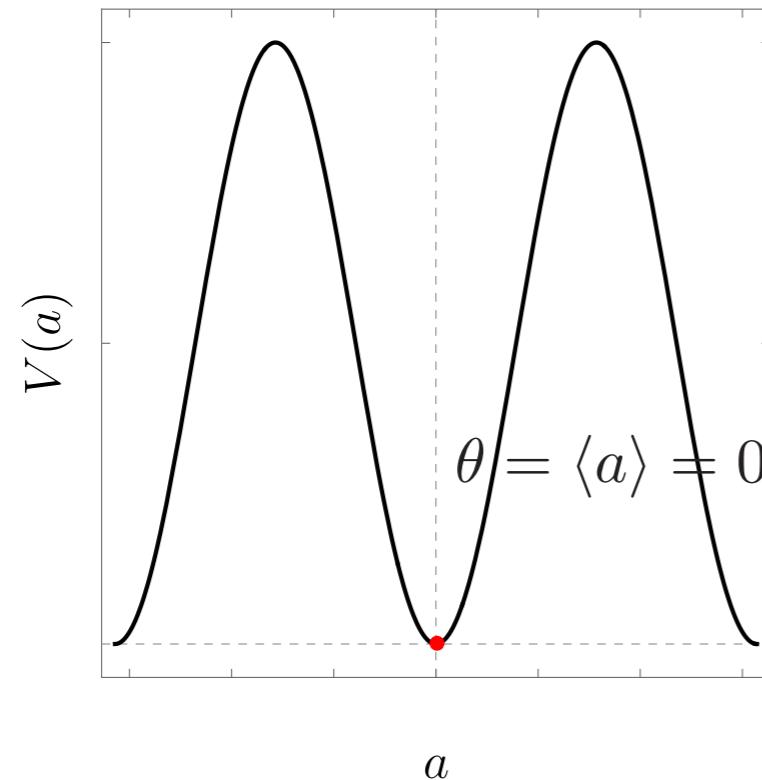
Mediator to the dark sector

Theory Motivation for MeV-GeV ALPs

Axion quality problem

$$V(a) = m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2 \left[1 - \cos \left(\frac{a}{f_a} \right) \right]$$

$$+ a \frac{f_a^{\Delta-1}}{M_{pl}^{\Delta-4}}$$

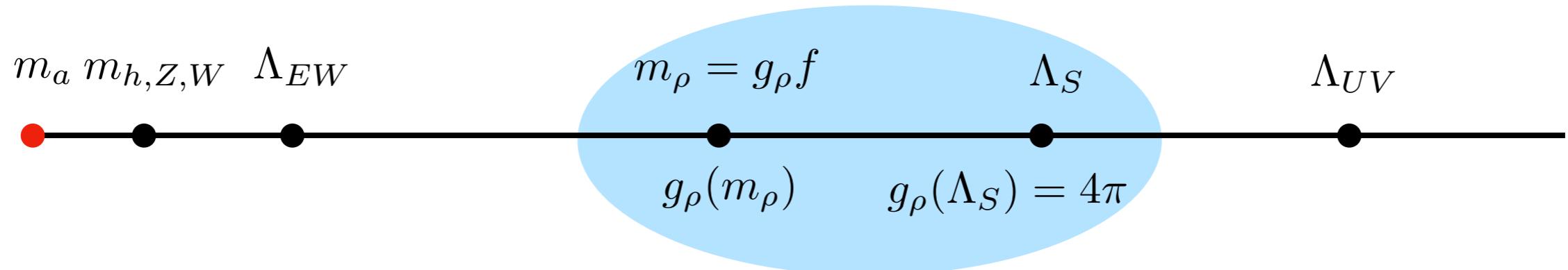


New sector contributes to potential and mass

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Theory Motivation for MeV-GeV ALPs

Composite Higgs models



Specify details about heavy sector

G	H	N_G	NGBs rep. [H] = rep.[$SU(2) \times SU(2)$]	[Agashe, Contino, Pomarol,...]
SO(5)	SO(4)	4	$\mathbf{4} = (2, 2)$	

Light pseudo-scalar particles = axion-like particles

[Ferretti 1604.06467]

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Effective Lagrangian

Interactions at dimension-5

[Weinberg: PRL 40 (1978) 223]
[Wilczek: PRL 40 (1978) 279]
[Georgi, Kaplan, Randall: Phys. Lett. 169 B (1986)]

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{D \leq 5} = & \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2} a^2 + \frac{\partial^\mu a}{f} \sum_F \bar{\psi}_F \mathbf{c}_F \gamma_\mu \psi_F \\ & + c_{GG} \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \frac{a}{f} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu,a} + c_{WW} \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \frac{a}{f} W_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{W}^{\mu\nu,A} + c_{BB} \frac{\alpha_1}{4\pi} \frac{a}{f} B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}^{\mu\nu}\end{aligned}$$

Redundant operator

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{D \leq 5} \supset c_\phi \frac{\partial^\mu a}{f} (\phi^\dagger i D_\mu \phi + \text{h.c.})$$

[Chala, Guedes, Ramos, Santiago: 2012.09017]

Effective Lagrangian

Higgs interactions at dimension-6 and 7

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{D \geq 6} = \frac{C_{ah}}{\Lambda^2} (\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) \phi^\dagger \phi + \frac{C_{Zh}^{(7)}}{\Lambda^3} (\partial^\mu a) (\phi^\dagger i D_\mu \phi + \text{h.c.}) \phi^\dagger \phi + \dots$$

[Dobrescu, Landsberg, Matchev: 0005308]
[Dobrescu, Matchev: 0008192]

[Bauer, Neubert, Thamm: 1610.00009]
[Bauer, Neubert, Thamm: 1704.08207]
[Bauer, Neubert, Thamm: 1708.004433]

Operator Evolution to the Weak Scale

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[Bauer, Neubert, Renner, Schnubel, Thamm: 2012.12272]

ALP couplings to gauge fields

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu} c_{VV}(\mu) = 0; \quad V = G, W, B$$

[Chetyrkin, Kniehl, Steinhauser, Bardeen: 9807241]

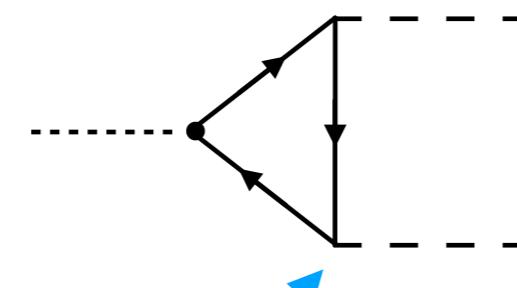
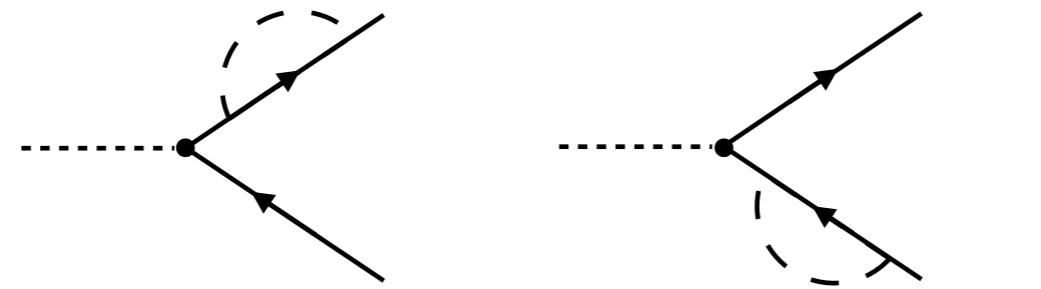
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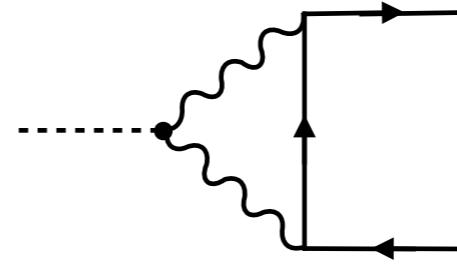


Require redundant operator
as counterterm

$$O_\phi \rightarrow \sum_F \beta_F O_F$$

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2012.09017, 2021.12272

Contribution from Yukawas



Mixing of ALP-boson
operators into ALP-fermions

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$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu} \mathbf{c}_Q(\mu) = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \{ \mathbf{Y}_u \mathbf{Y}_u^\dagger + \mathbf{Y}_d \mathbf{Y}_d^\dagger, \mathbf{c}_Q \} - \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (\mathbf{Y}_u \mathbf{c}_u \mathbf{Y}_u^\dagger + \mathbf{Y}_d \mathbf{c}_d \mathbf{Y}_d^\dagger)$$

$$+ \left[\frac{\beta_Q}{8\pi^2} X - \frac{3\alpha_s^2}{4\pi^2} C_F^{(3)} \tilde{c}_{GG} - \frac{3\alpha_2^2}{4\pi^2} C_F^{(2)} \tilde{c}_{WW} - \frac{3\alpha_1^2}{4\pi^2} \mathcal{Y}_Q^2 \tilde{c}_{BB} \right] \mathbb{1}$$

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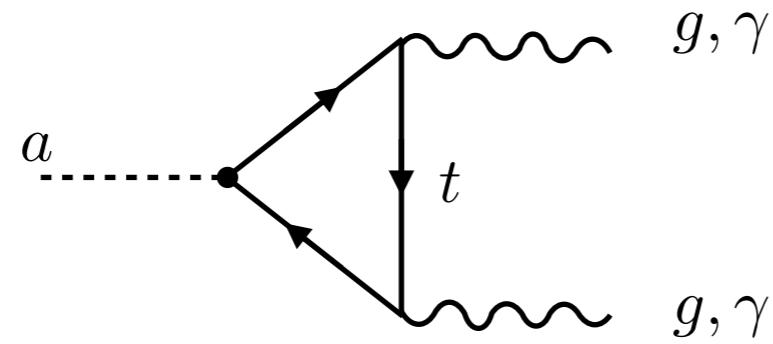
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$$X = \text{Tr} \left[3\mathbf{c}_Q (\mathbf{Y}_u \mathbf{Y}_u^\dagger - \mathbf{Y}_d \mathbf{Y}_d^\dagger) - 3\mathbf{c}_u \mathbf{Y}_u^\dagger \mathbf{Y}_u + 3\mathbf{c}_d \mathbf{Y}_d^\dagger \mathbf{Y}_d - \mathbf{c}_L \mathbf{Y}_e \mathbf{Y}_e^\dagger + \mathbf{c}_e \mathbf{Y}_e^\dagger \mathbf{Y}_e \right]$$

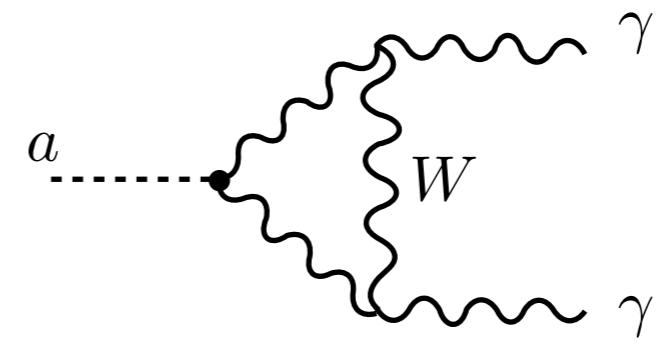
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ALP couplings to gauge bosons

[Bauer, Neubert, Thamm: 1708.00443]



$$\sim \frac{m_a^2}{m_t^2}$$



$$\sim \frac{m_a^2}{m_W^2}$$

$$\Delta c_{GG}(\mu_w) = 0, \quad \Delta c_{\gamma\gamma}(\mu_w) = 0$$

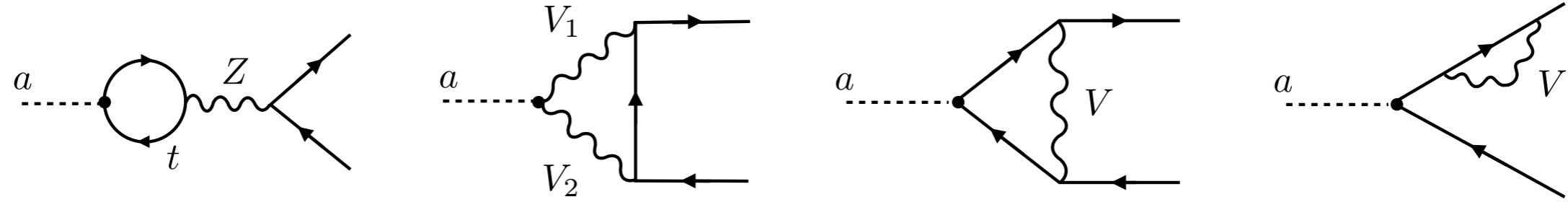
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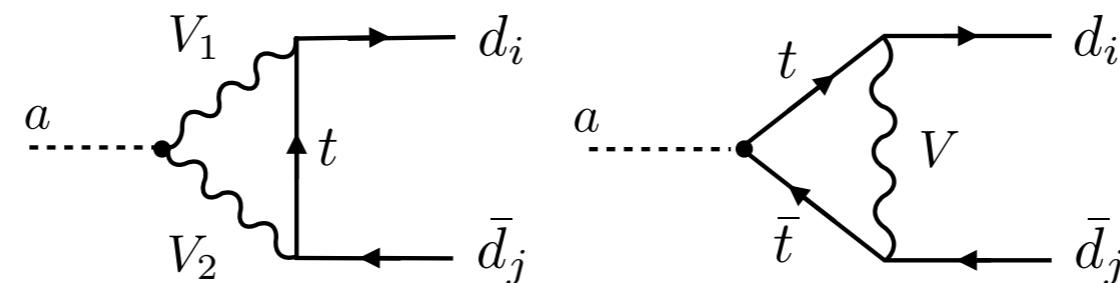
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only non-zero for internal t quarks

Non-trivial flavor structure

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Operator Evolution at the Weak Scale

[Bauer, Neubert, Renner, Schnubel, Thamm: 2012.12272]

Numerical solution for $\Lambda = 4\pi f$ with $f = 1 \text{ TeV}$

- Flavor diagonal couplings

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ferm}}^{\text{diag}}(\mu) = \sum_{f \neq t} \frac{c_{ff}(\mu)}{2} \frac{\partial^\mu a}{f} \bar{f} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 f$$

$$c_{uu,cc}(m_t) \simeq c_{uu,cc}(\Lambda) - 0.116 c_{tt}(\Lambda) - [6.35 \tilde{c}_{GG}(\Lambda) + 0.19 \tilde{c}_{WW}(\Lambda) + 0.02 \tilde{c}_{BB}(\Lambda)] \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$c_{dd,ss}(m_t) \simeq c_{dd,ss}(\Lambda) + 0.116 c_{tt}(\Lambda) - [7.08 \tilde{c}_{GG}(\Lambda) + 0.22 \tilde{c}_{WW}(\Lambda) + 0.005 \tilde{c}_{BB}(\Lambda)] \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$c_{bb}(m_t) \simeq c_{bb}(\Lambda) + 0.097 c_{tt}(\Lambda) - [7.02 \tilde{c}_{GG}(\Lambda) + 0.19 \tilde{c}_{WW}(\Lambda) + 0.005 \tilde{c}_{BB}(\Lambda)] \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$c_{e_i e_i}(m_t) \simeq c_{e_i e_i}(\Lambda) + 0.116 c_{tt}(\Lambda) - [0.37 \tilde{c}_{GG}(\Lambda) + 0.22 \tilde{c}_{WW}(\Lambda) + 0.05 \tilde{c}_{BB}(\Lambda)] \cdot 10^{-3}$$

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- Flavor changing couplings

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ferm}}^{\text{FCNC}}(\mu) = -\frac{ia}{2f} \sum_f \left[(m_{f_i} - m_{f_j}) (k_f + k_F)_{ij} \bar{f}_i f_j + (m_{f_i} + m_{f_j}) (k_f - k_F)_{ij} \bar{f}_i \gamma_5 f_j \right]$$

$$[k_u(\mu_w)]_{ij} = [k_u(\Lambda)]_{ij}; \quad i, j \neq 3$$

$$[k_U(\mu_w)]_{ij} = [k_U(\Lambda)]_{ij}; \quad i, j \neq 3$$

$$[k_d(\mu_w)]_{ij} = [k_d(\Lambda)]_{ij}$$

$$[k_e(\mu_w)]_{ij} = [k_e(\Lambda)]_{ij}$$

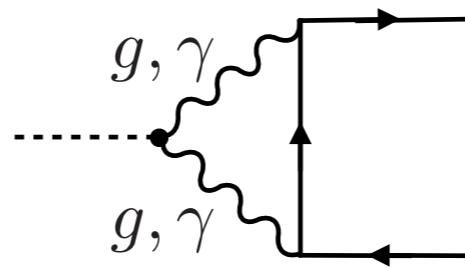
$$[k_L(\mu_w)]_{ij} = [k_L(\Lambda)]_{ij}$$

$$[k_D(m_t)]_{ij} \simeq [k_D(\Lambda)]_{ij} + 0.019 V_{ti}^* V_{tj} \left[c_{tt}(\Lambda) - 0.0032 \tilde{c}_{GG}(\Lambda) - 0.0057 \tilde{c}_{WW}(\Lambda) \right]$$

Operator Evolution below the Weak Scale

[Bauer, Neubert, Renner, Schnubel, Thamm: 2012.12272]

Only relevant diagram



Small effect at $\mu_0 = 2 \text{ GeV}$

$$c_{qq}(\mu_0) = c_{qq}(m_t) + \left[3.0 \tilde{c}_{GG}(\Lambda) - 1.4 c_{tt}(\Lambda) - 0.6 c_{bb}(\Lambda) \right] \cdot 10^{-2}$$
$$+ Q_q^2 \left[3.9 \tilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma}(\Lambda) - 4.7 c_{tt}(\Lambda) - 0.2 c_{bb}(\Lambda) \right] \cdot 10^{-5}$$
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Operator Evolution below the QCD Scale

See Matthias Neubert's talk

Chiral rotation to remove ALP - gluon coupling

$$q \rightarrow \exp \left(- i \kappa_q c_{GG} \frac{a}{f} \gamma_5 \right) q$$

$$\text{Tr } \kappa_q = \kappa_u + \kappa_d + \kappa_s = 1$$

Match onto chiral Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\chi PT}^{\text{ALP}} &= \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu a \partial_\mu a - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2} a^2 + \frac{f_\pi^2}{8} \text{Tr}[D^\mu \Sigma D_\mu \Sigma^\dagger] + \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} B_0 \text{Tr}[\Sigma \hat{m}_q^\dagger(a) + \hat{m}_q(a) \Sigma^\dagger] \\ &\quad + \frac{i f_\pi^2}{4} \frac{\partial^\mu a}{2f} \text{Tr}[\hat{c}_{qq}(\Sigma D_\mu \Sigma^\dagger - \Sigma^\dagger D_\mu \Sigma)] + \hat{c}_{\gamma\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \frac{a}{f} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Operator Evolution below the QCD Scale

ALP mass

$$m_a^2 = m_{a,0}^2 \left[1 + \frac{f_\pi^2}{8f^2} \frac{m_\pi^2 m_{a,0}^2}{(m_\pi^2 - m_{a,0}^2)^2} (\Delta c_{ud})^2 \right] + c_{GG}^2 \frac{f_\pi^2 m_\pi^2}{f^2} \frac{2m_u m_d}{(m_u + m_d)^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{f_\pi^4}{f^4}\right)$$

QCD axion

Optimal choice for kappa which removes ALP-pion mixing

$$\kappa_u = \frac{m_d}{m_u + m_d} + \frac{m_a^2}{m_\pi^2 - m_a^2} \frac{\Delta c_{ud}}{4c_{GG}} \quad \kappa_d = \frac{m_u}{m_u + m_d} - \frac{m_a^2}{m_\pi^2 - m_a^2} \frac{\Delta c_{ud}}{4c_{GG}}$$

$$\Delta c_{ud} = c_{uu}(\mu_\chi) - c_{dd}(\mu_\chi) + 2c_{GG} \frac{m_d - m_u}{m_d + m_u}$$

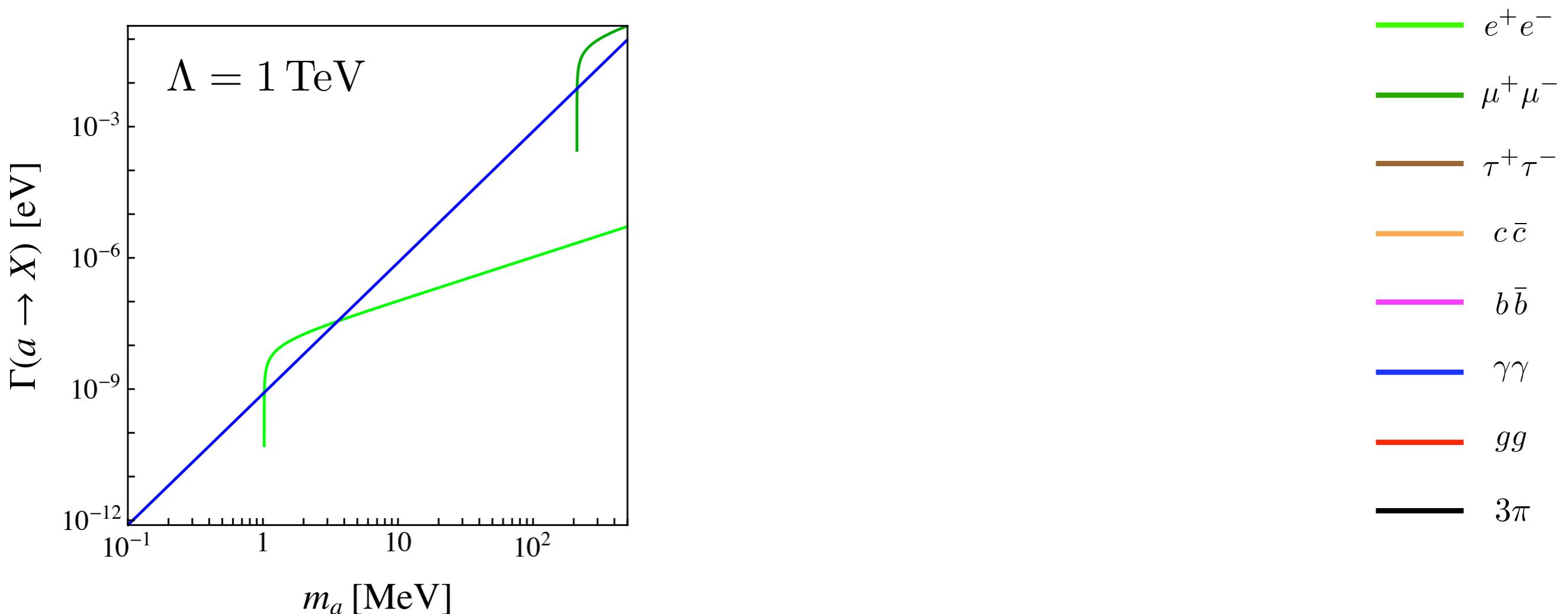
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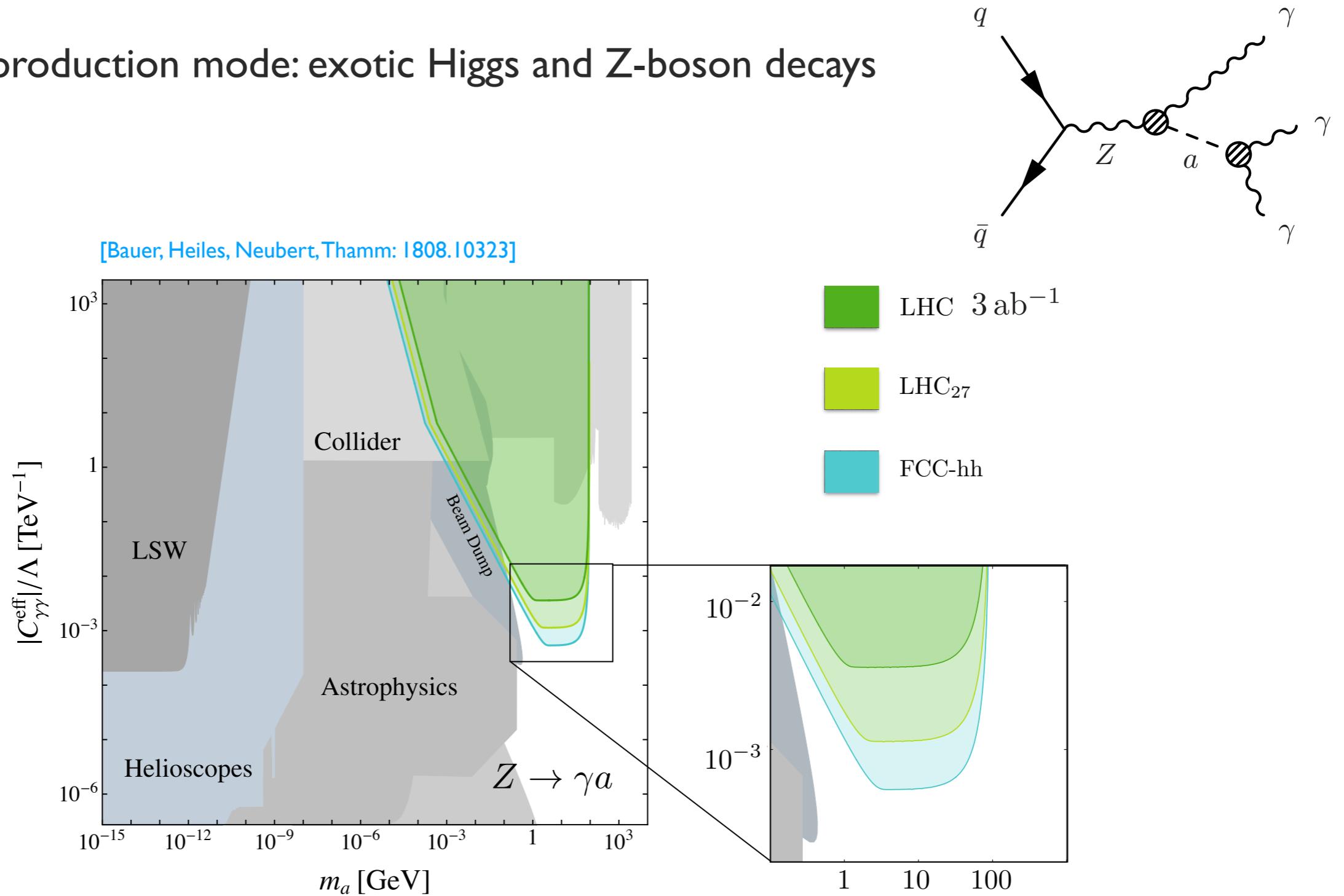
Fermion couplings = 1, Gauge boson couplings = 1 in the plot

More motivated: gauge couplings = $1/(4\pi)^2$

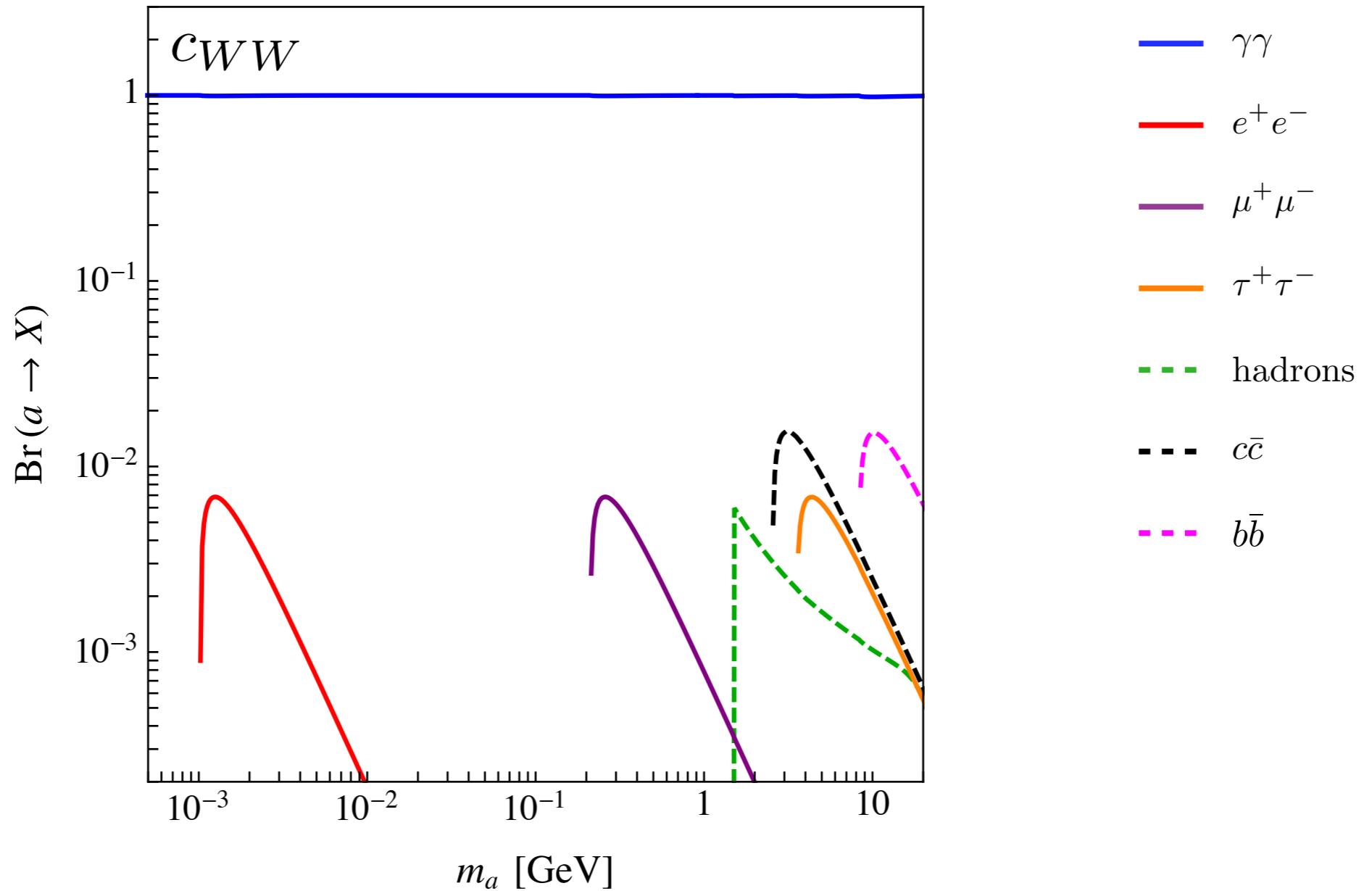


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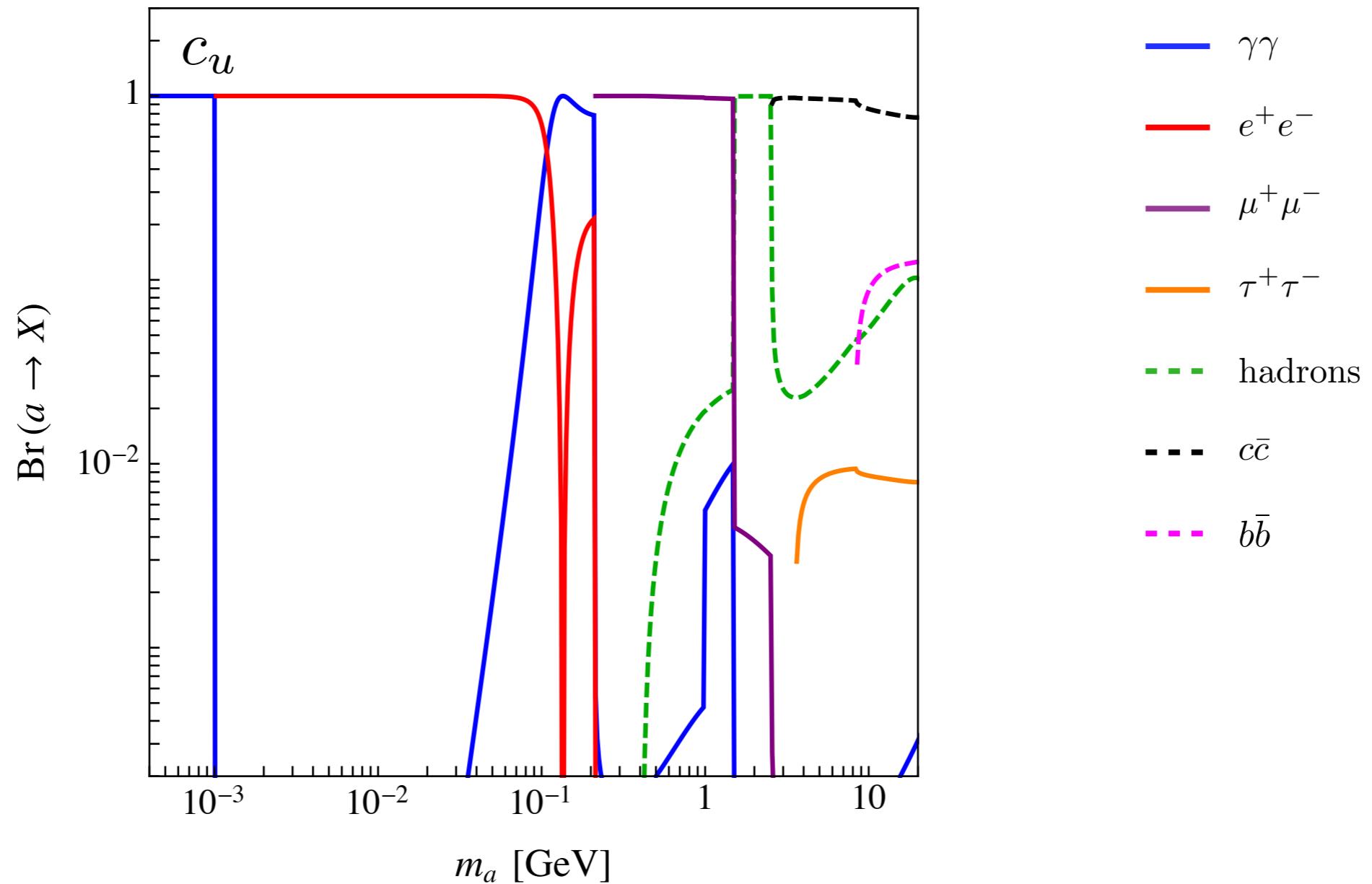
Dominant production mode: exotic Higgs and Z-boson decays



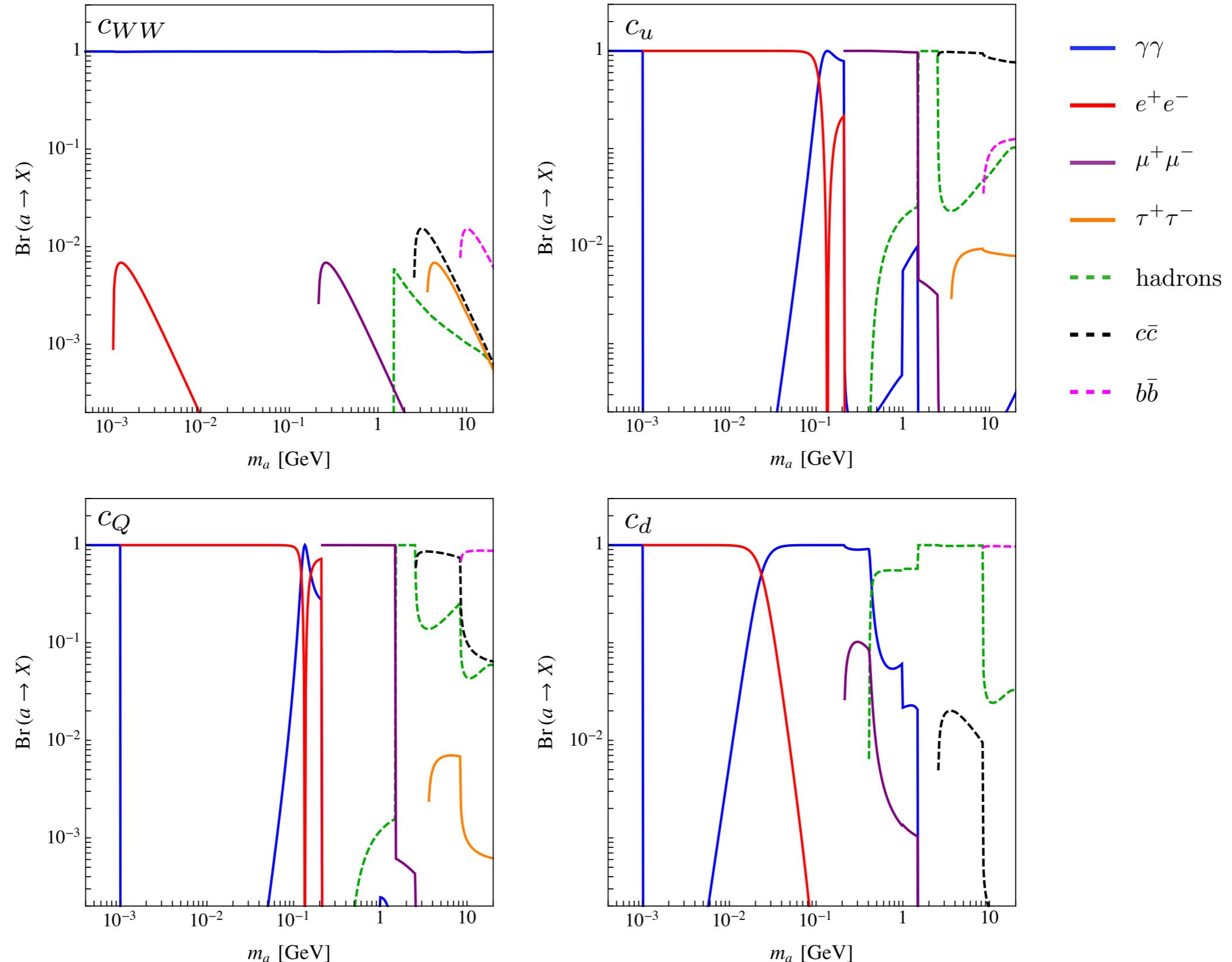
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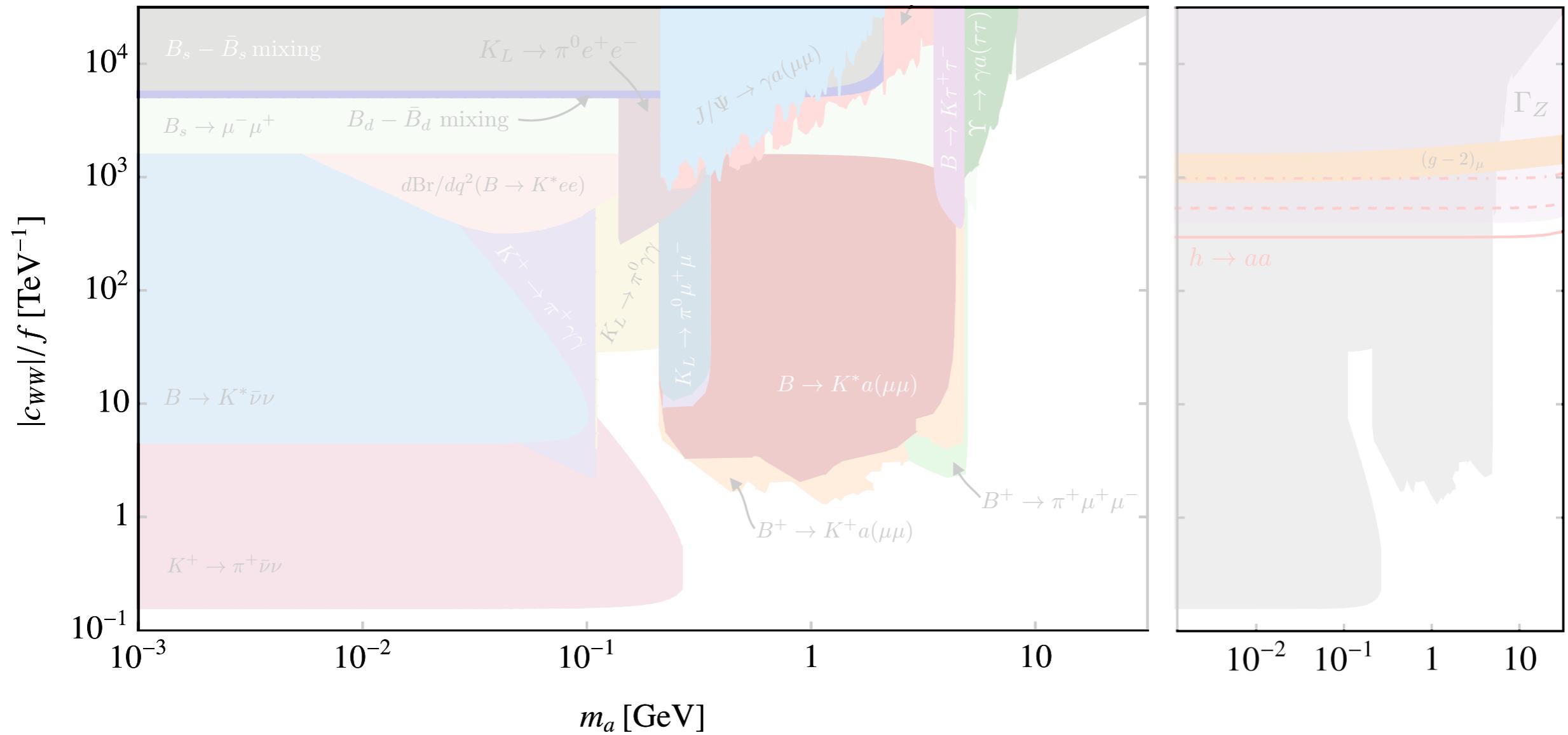
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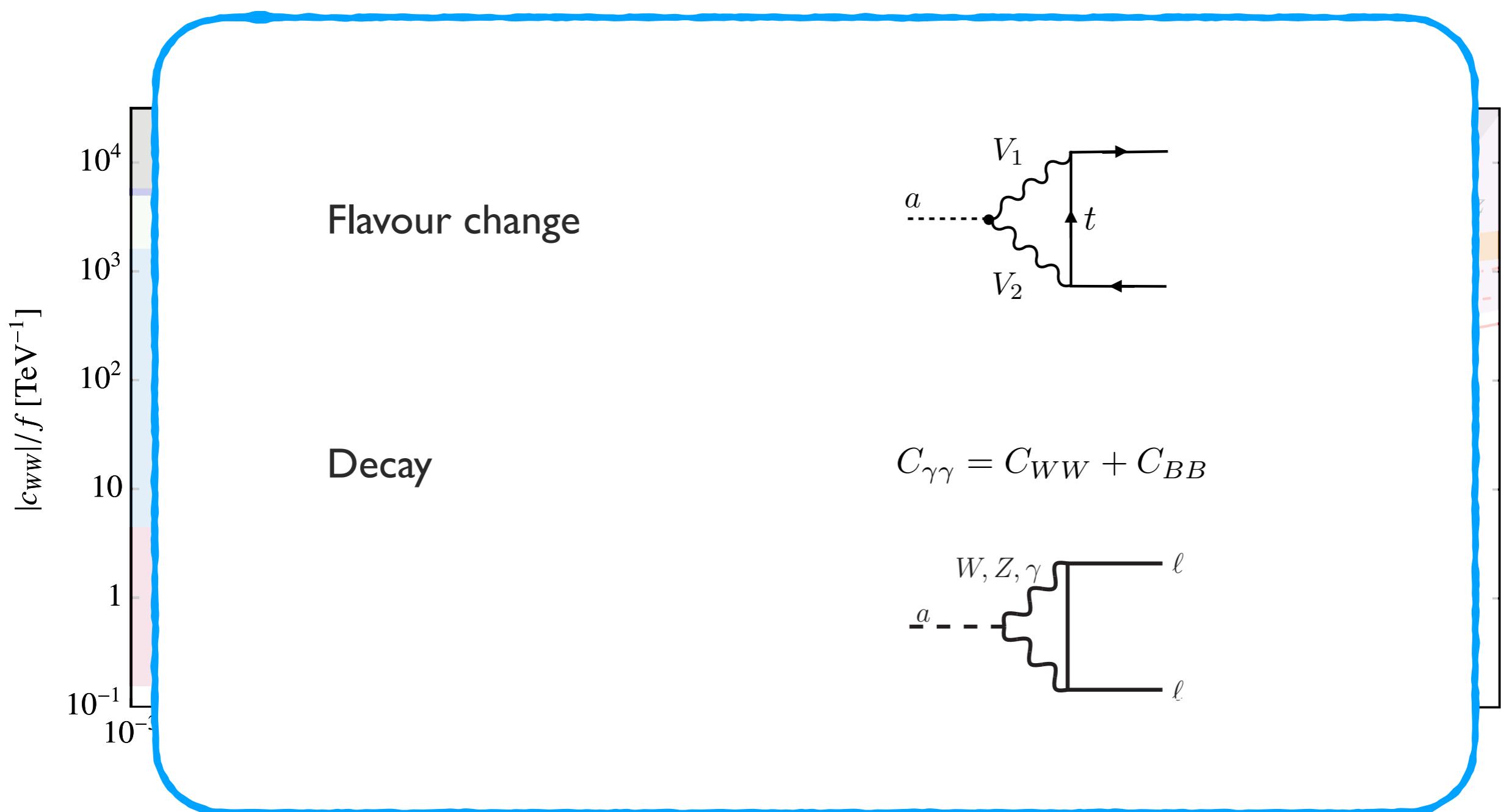
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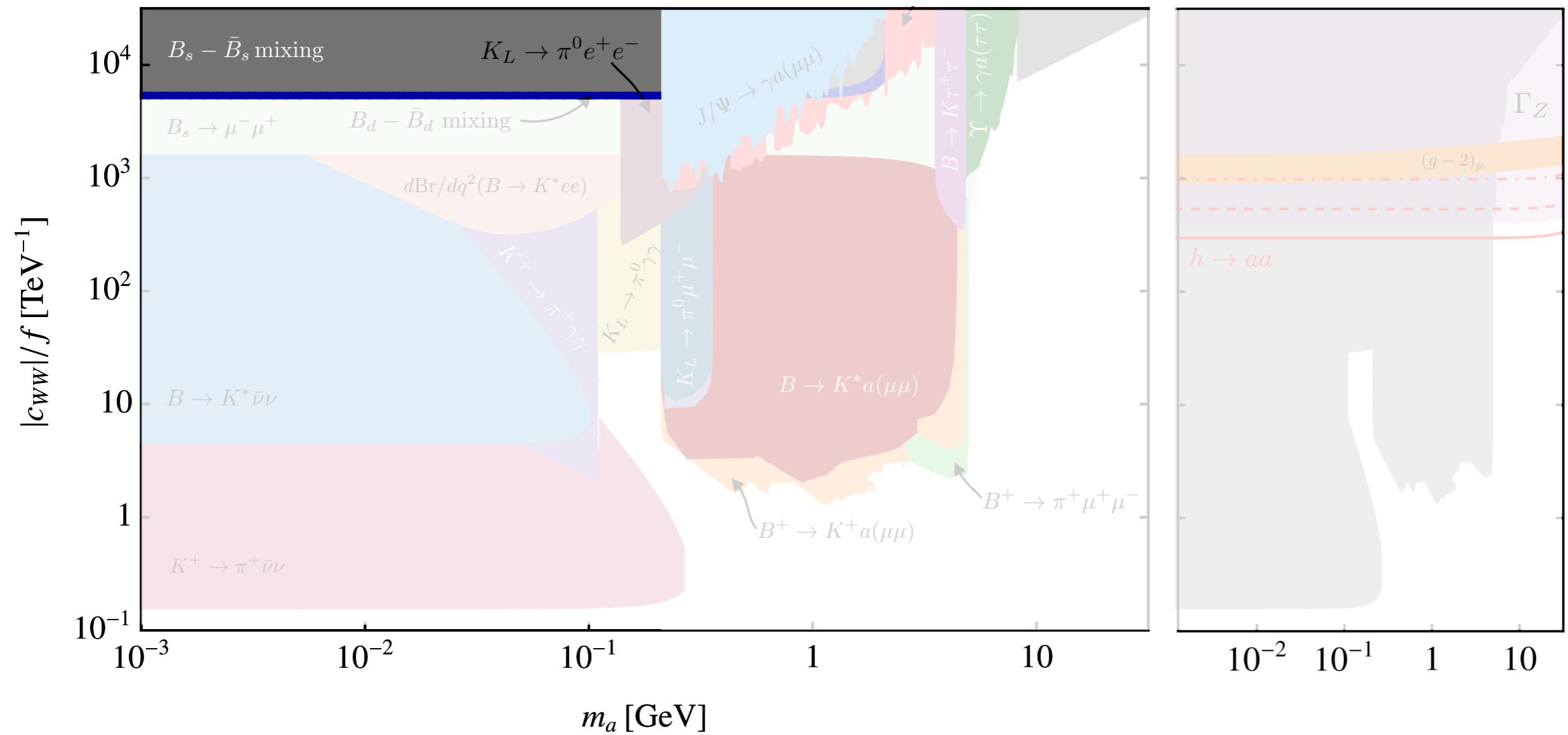
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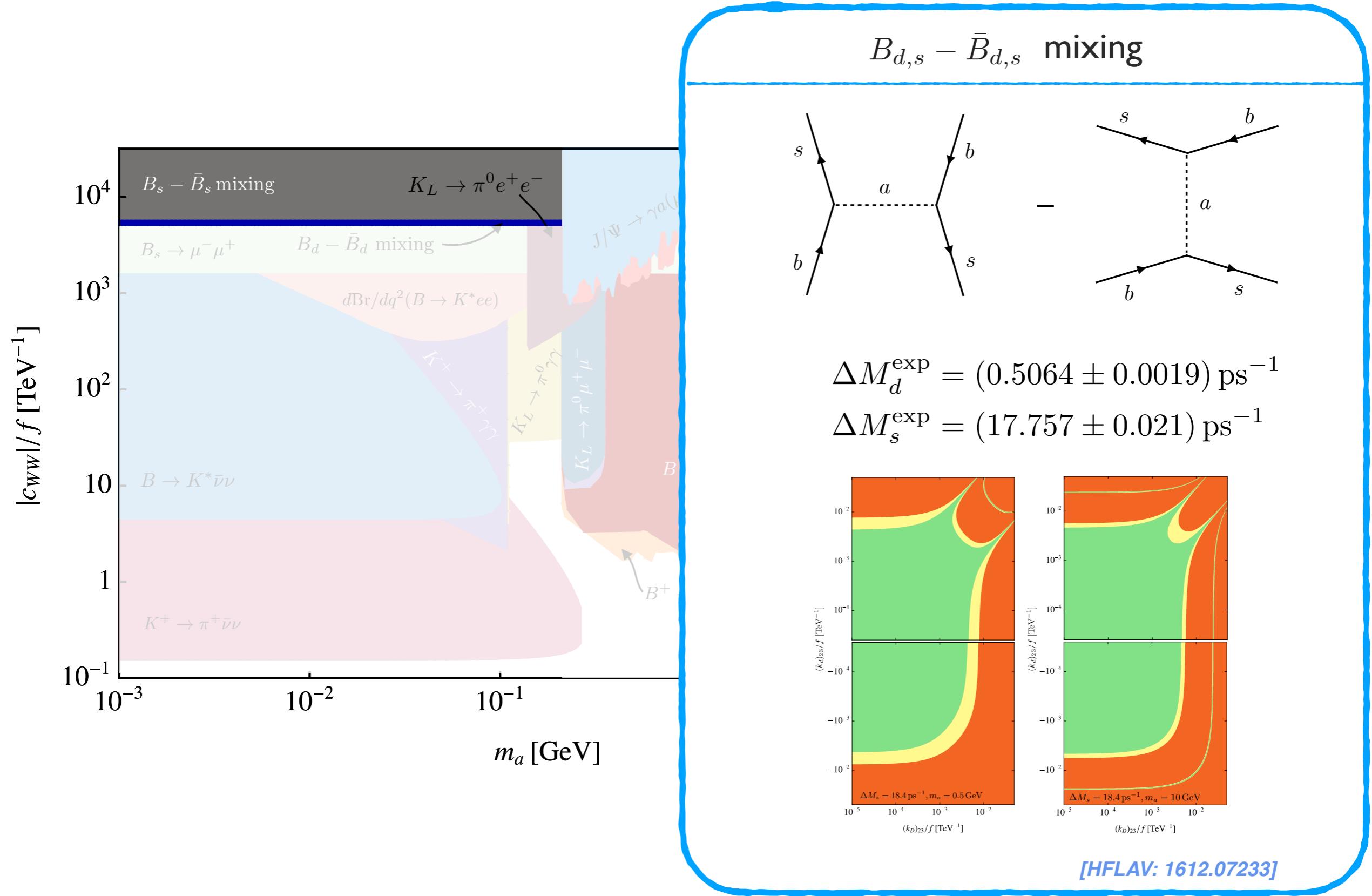
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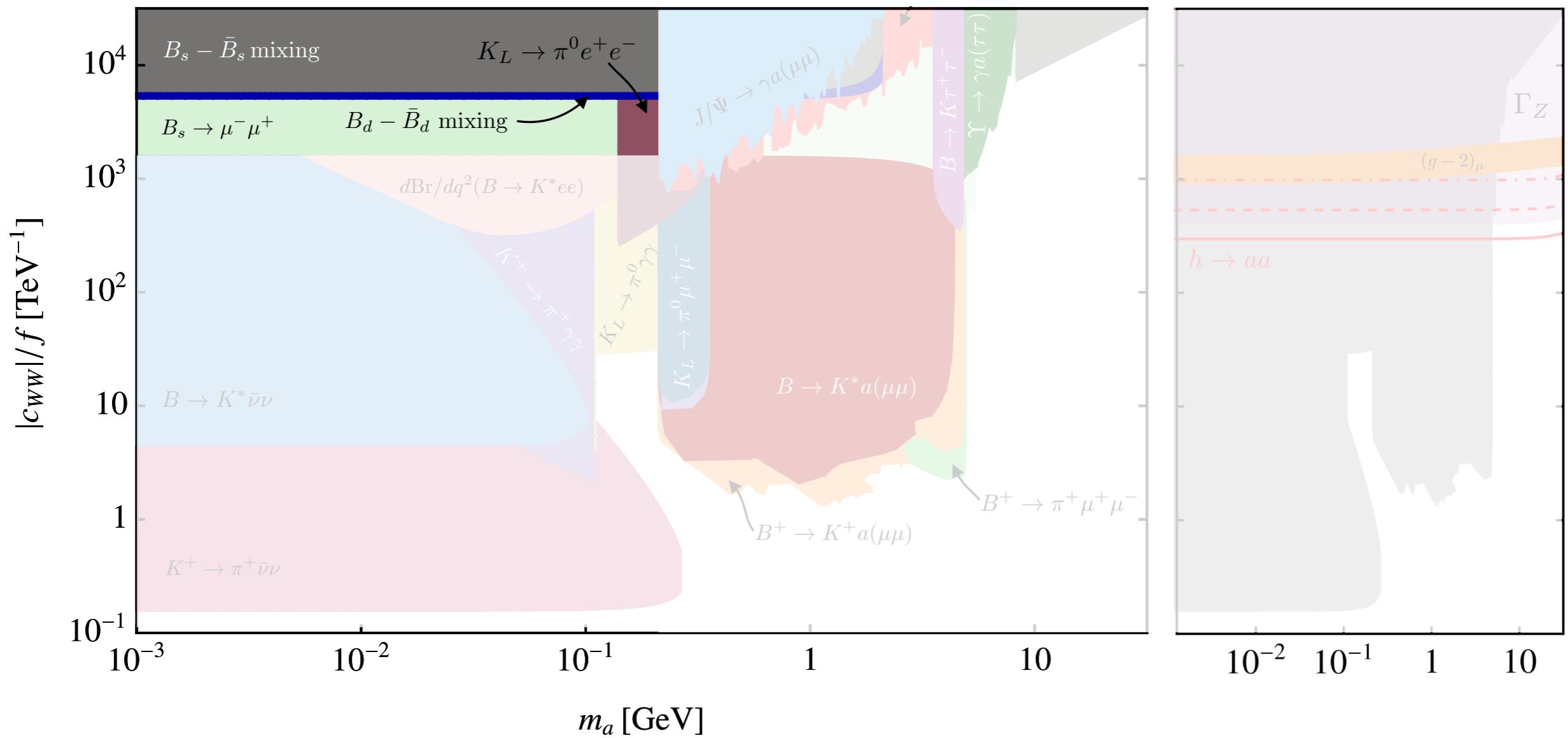
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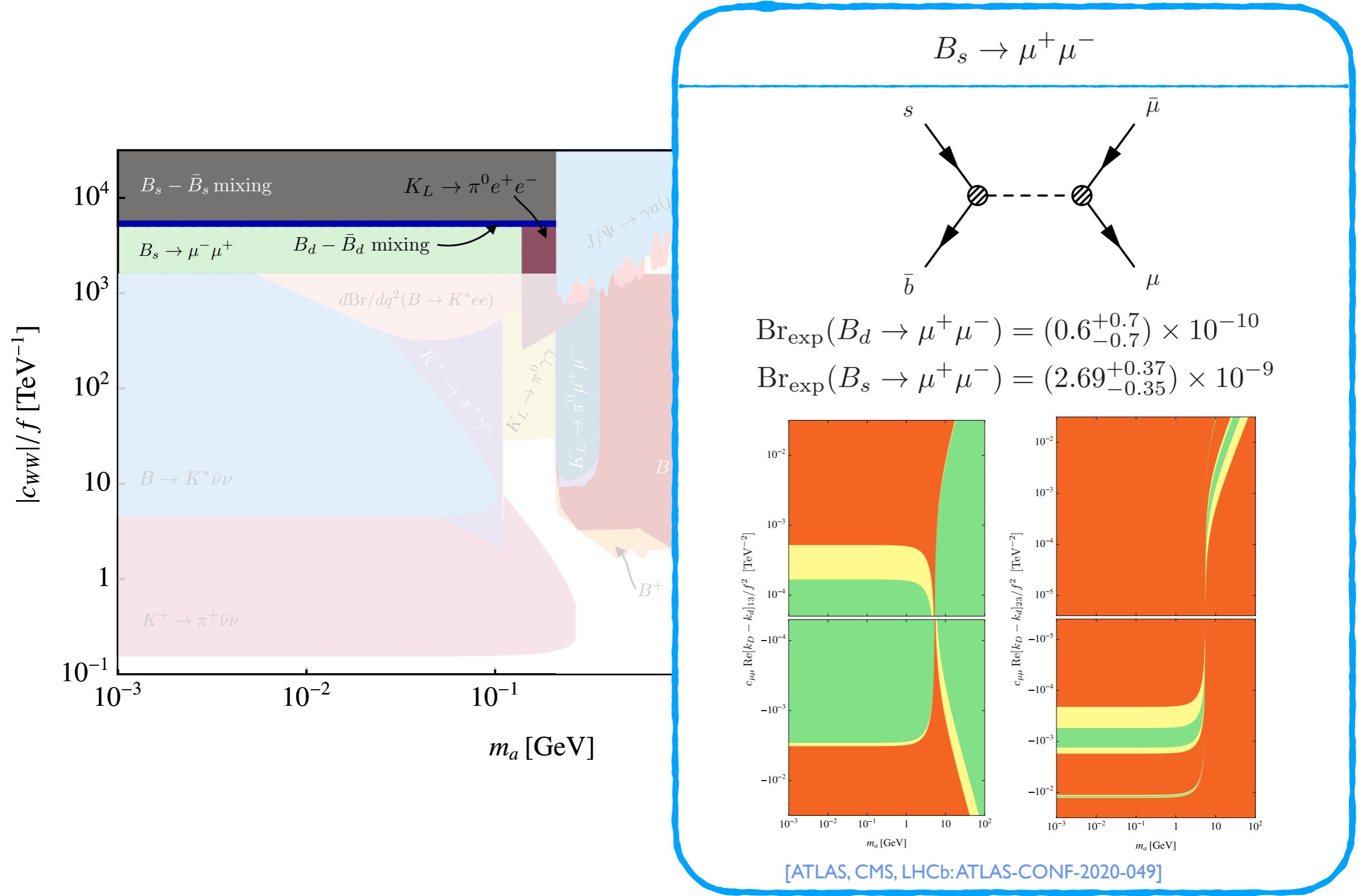
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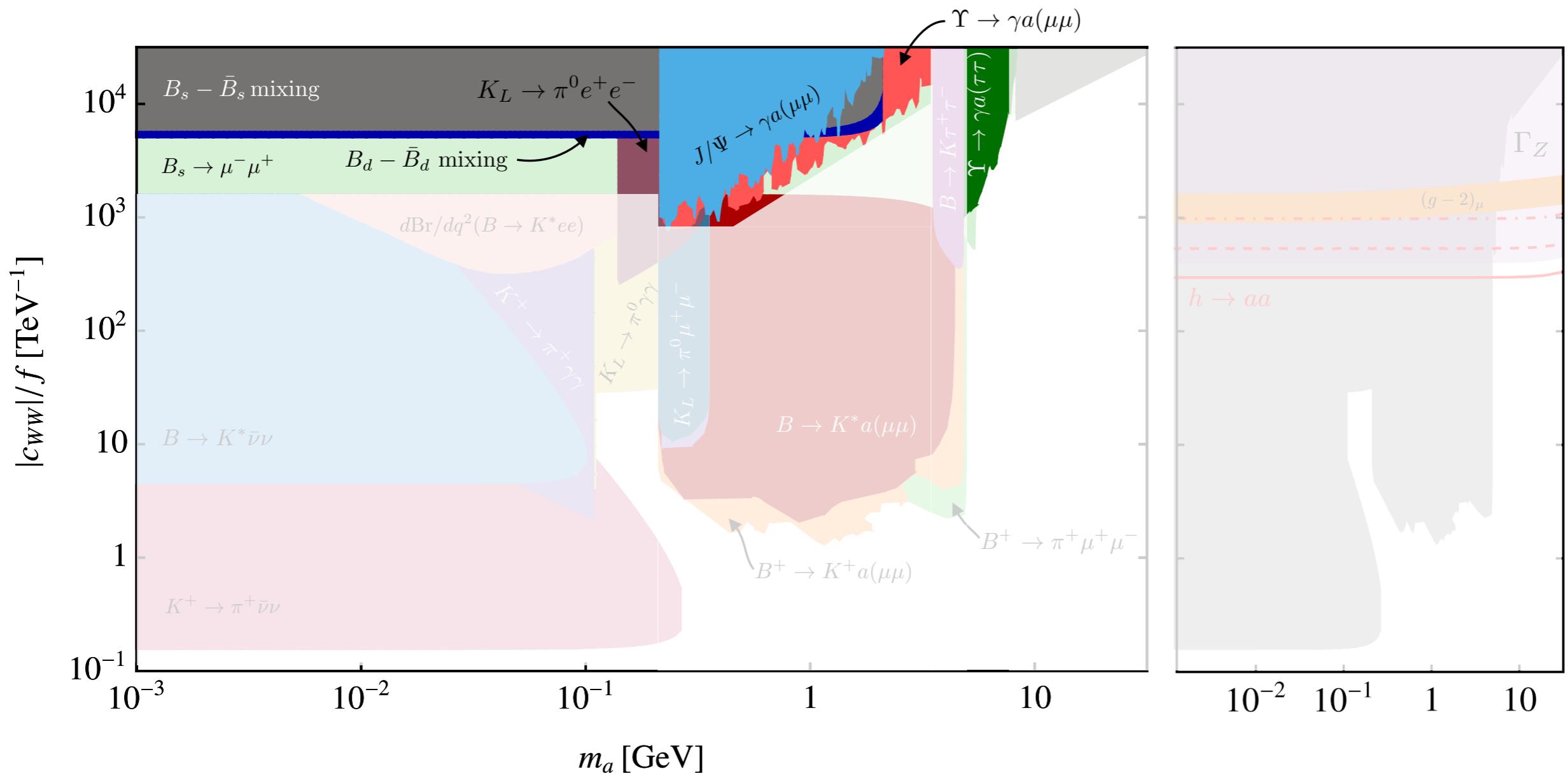
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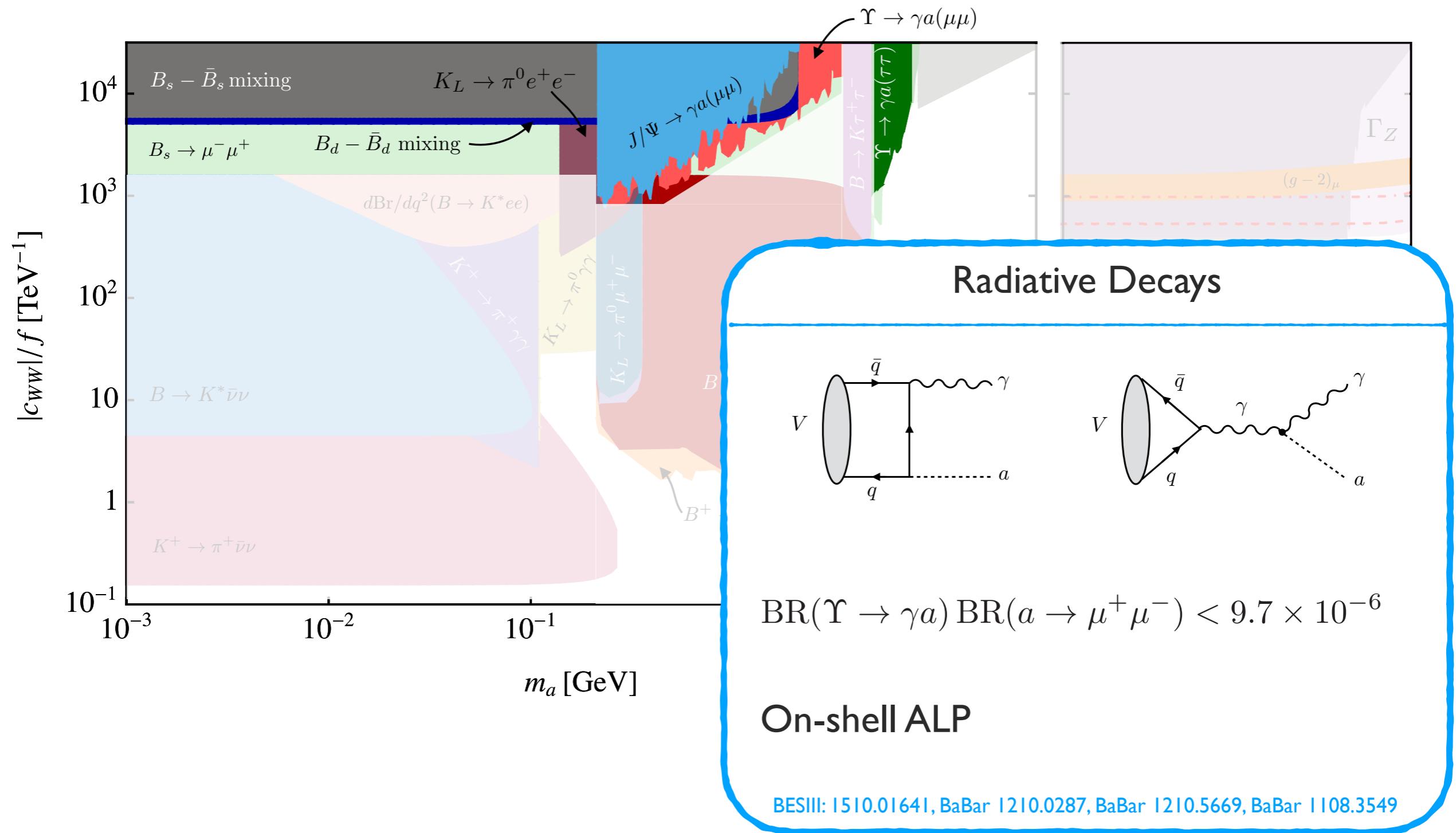
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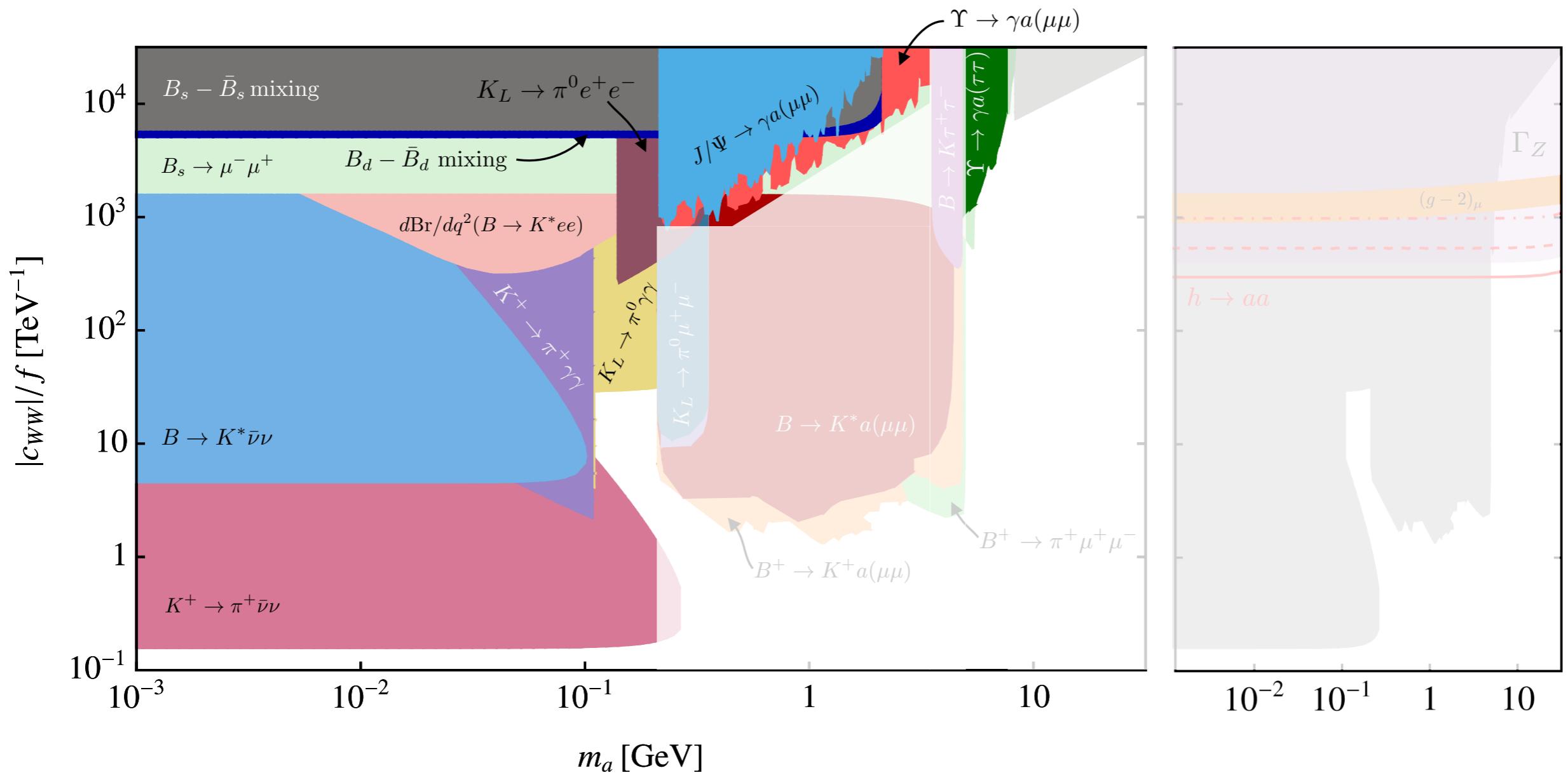
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Observable	Mass range [MeV]	ALP decay mode	Constrained coupling c_{ij}	Limit (95% CL) on $c_{ij} \cdot \left(\frac{\text{TeV}}{f}\right) \cdot \sqrt{\mathcal{B}}$	
$\text{Br}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^- \nu \bar{\nu})$	$0 < m_a < 261^{(*)}$	long-lived	$ k_D + k_d _{12}$	3.6×10^{-9}	NA62
$\text{Br}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^- \gamma \gamma)$	$m_a < 108$	$\gamma \gamma$	$ k_D + k_d _{12}$	2.1×10^{-8}	E949
$\text{Br}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^- \gamma \gamma)$	$220 < m_a < 354$	$\gamma \gamma$	$ k_D + k_d _{12}$	2.4×10^{-7}	NA62
$\text{Br}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma)$	$m_a < 110$	$\gamma \gamma$	$ \text{Im}[(k_D + k_d)_{12}] $	1.4×10^{-8}	NA48
$\text{Br}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma \gamma)$	$m_a < 363$	$\gamma \gamma$	$ \text{Im}[(k_D + k_d)_{12}] $	1.2×10^{-7}	KTeV
$\text{Br}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-)$	$140 < m_a < 362$	$e^+ e^-$	$ \text{Im}[(k_D + k_d)_{12}] $	2.9×10^{-9}	KTeV
$\text{Br}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^+ \mu^-)$	$210 < m_a < 350$	$\mu^+ \mu^-$	$ \text{Im}[(k_D + k_d)_{12}] $	4.0×10^{-9}	KTeV
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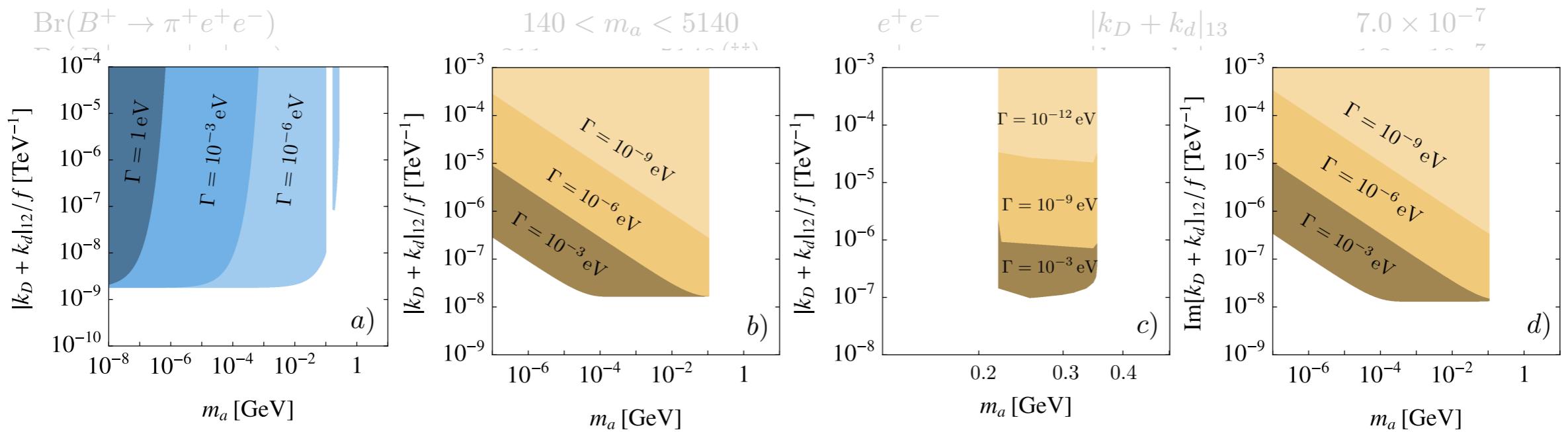
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On-shell ALPs

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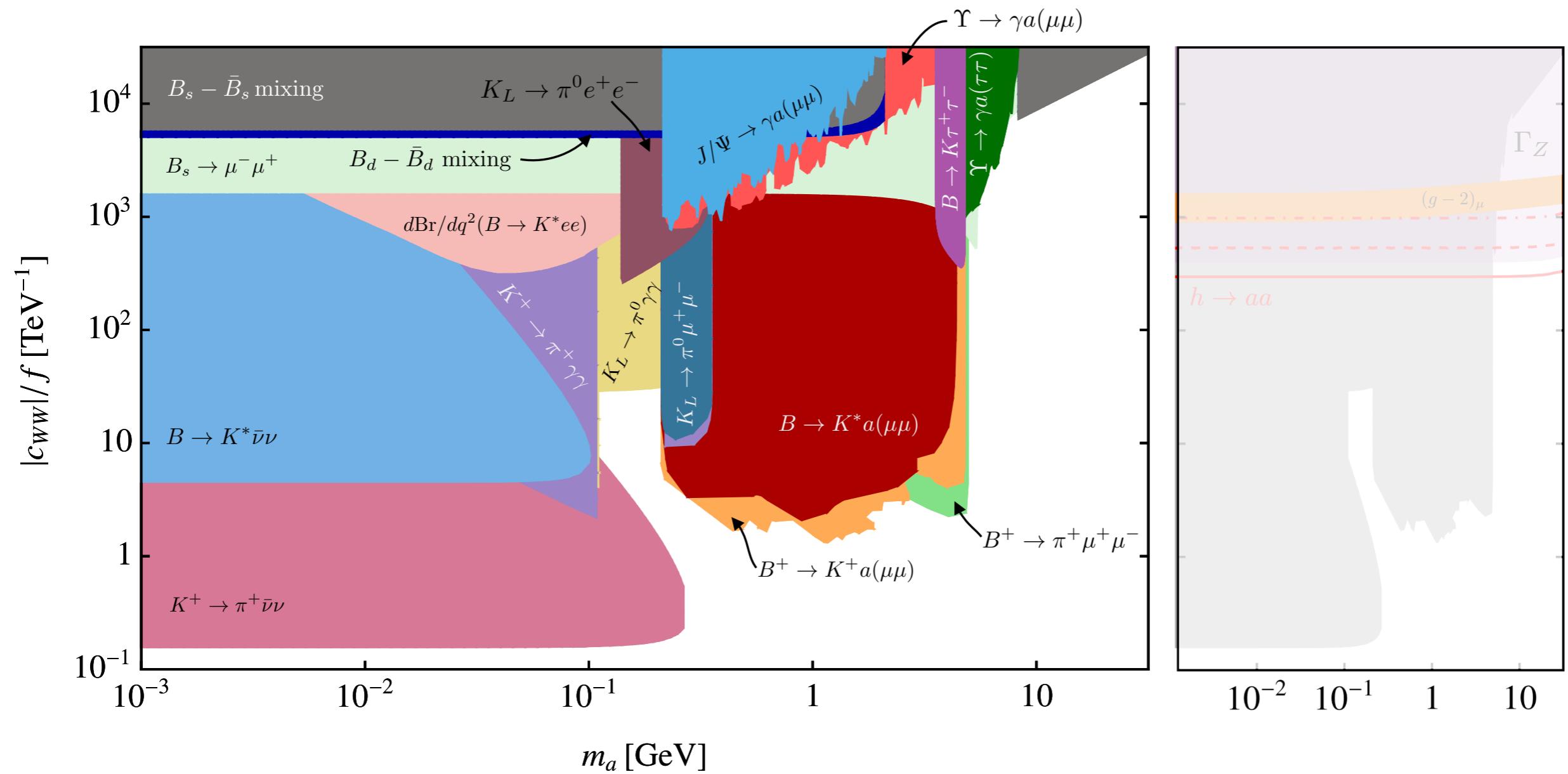
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Realistic bounds depend on decay length

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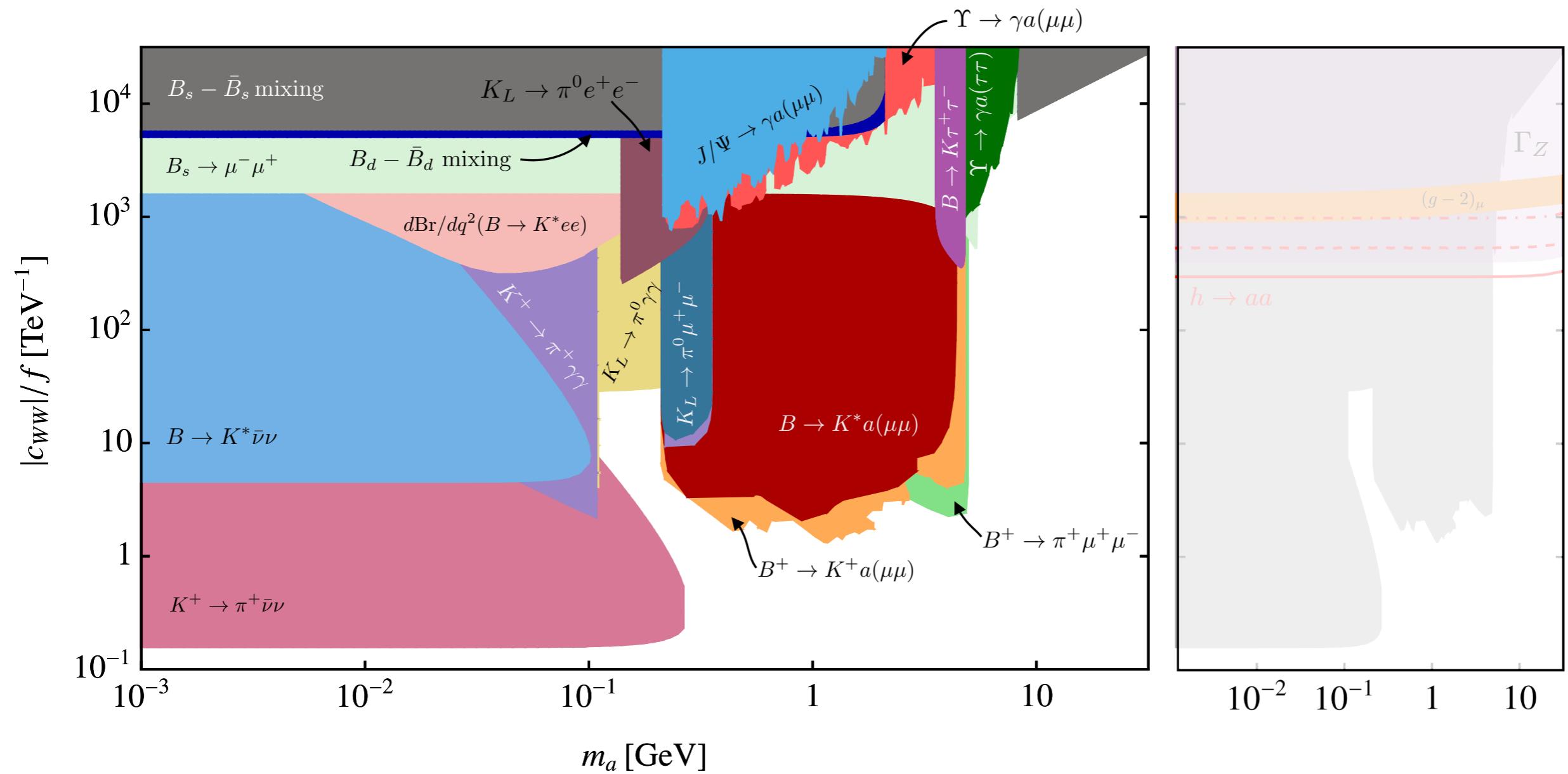
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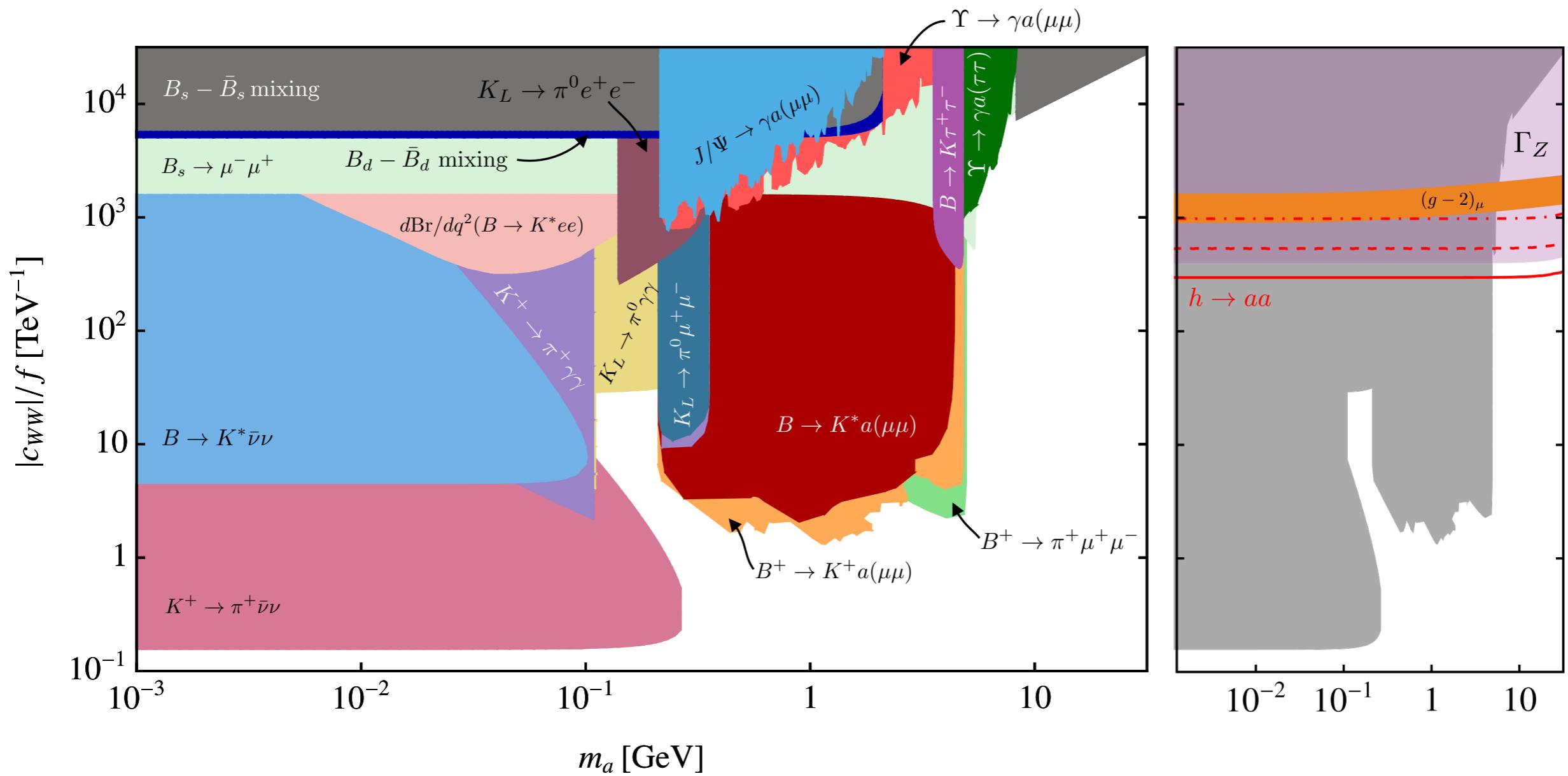
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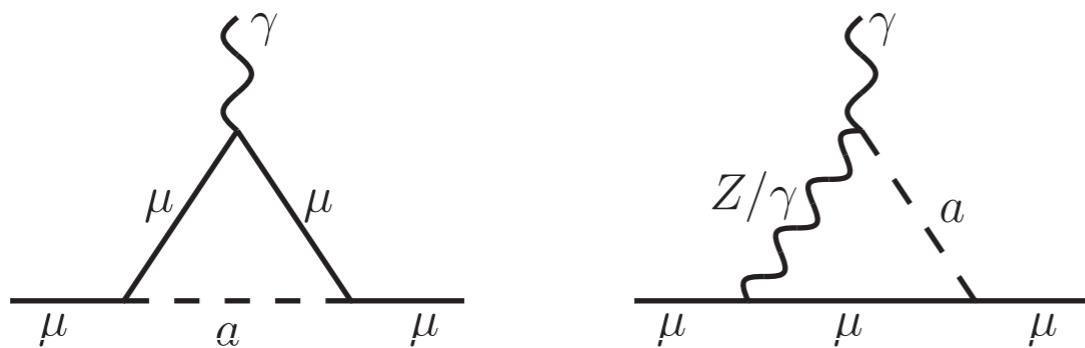
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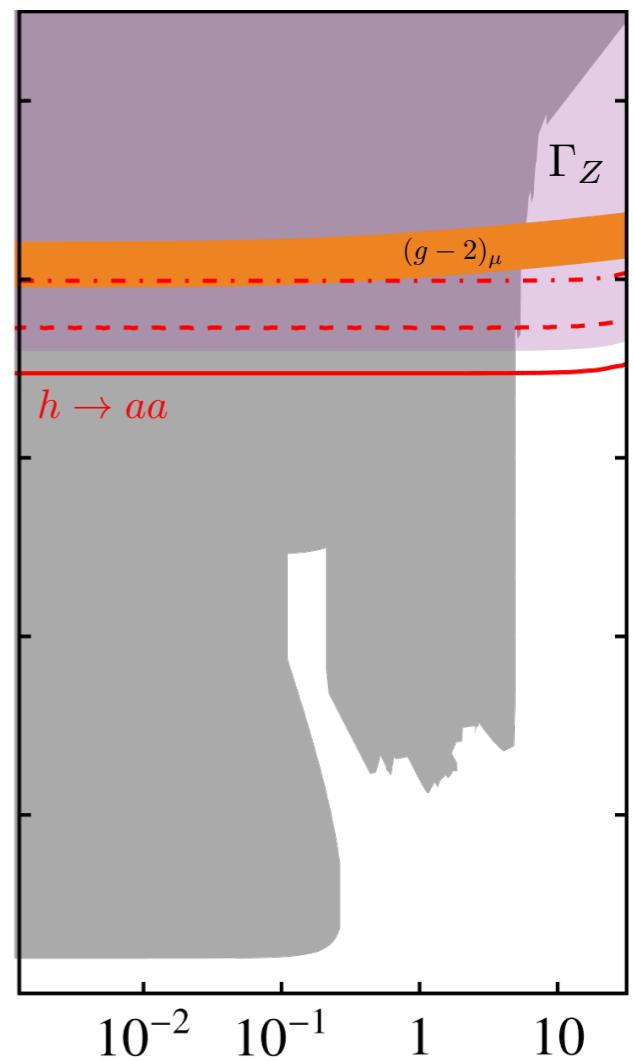
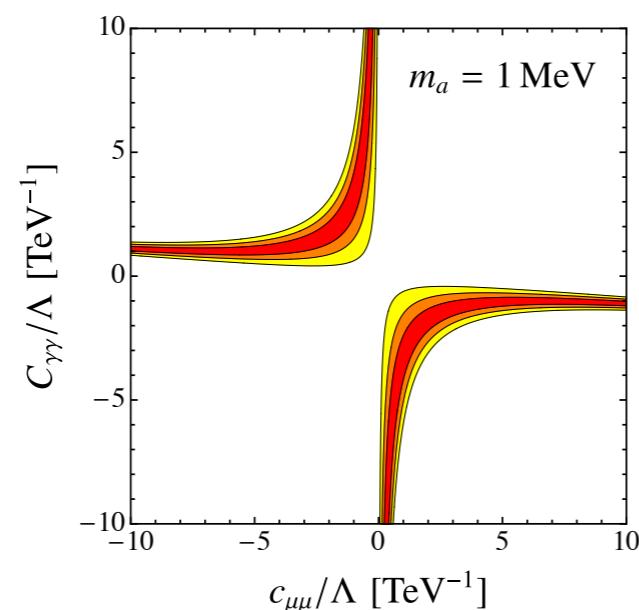
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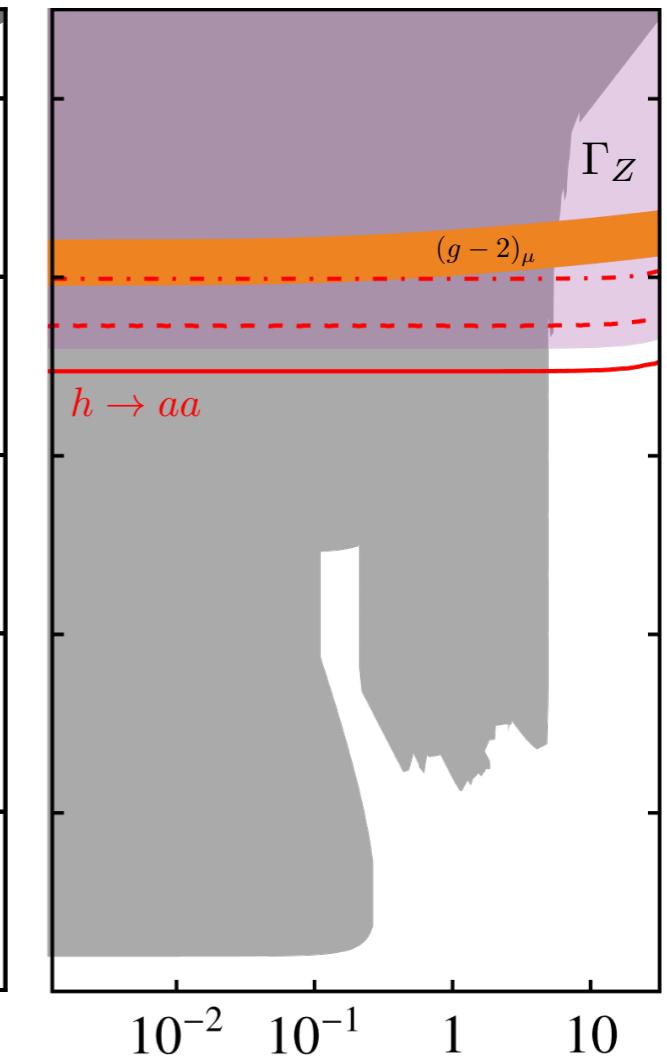
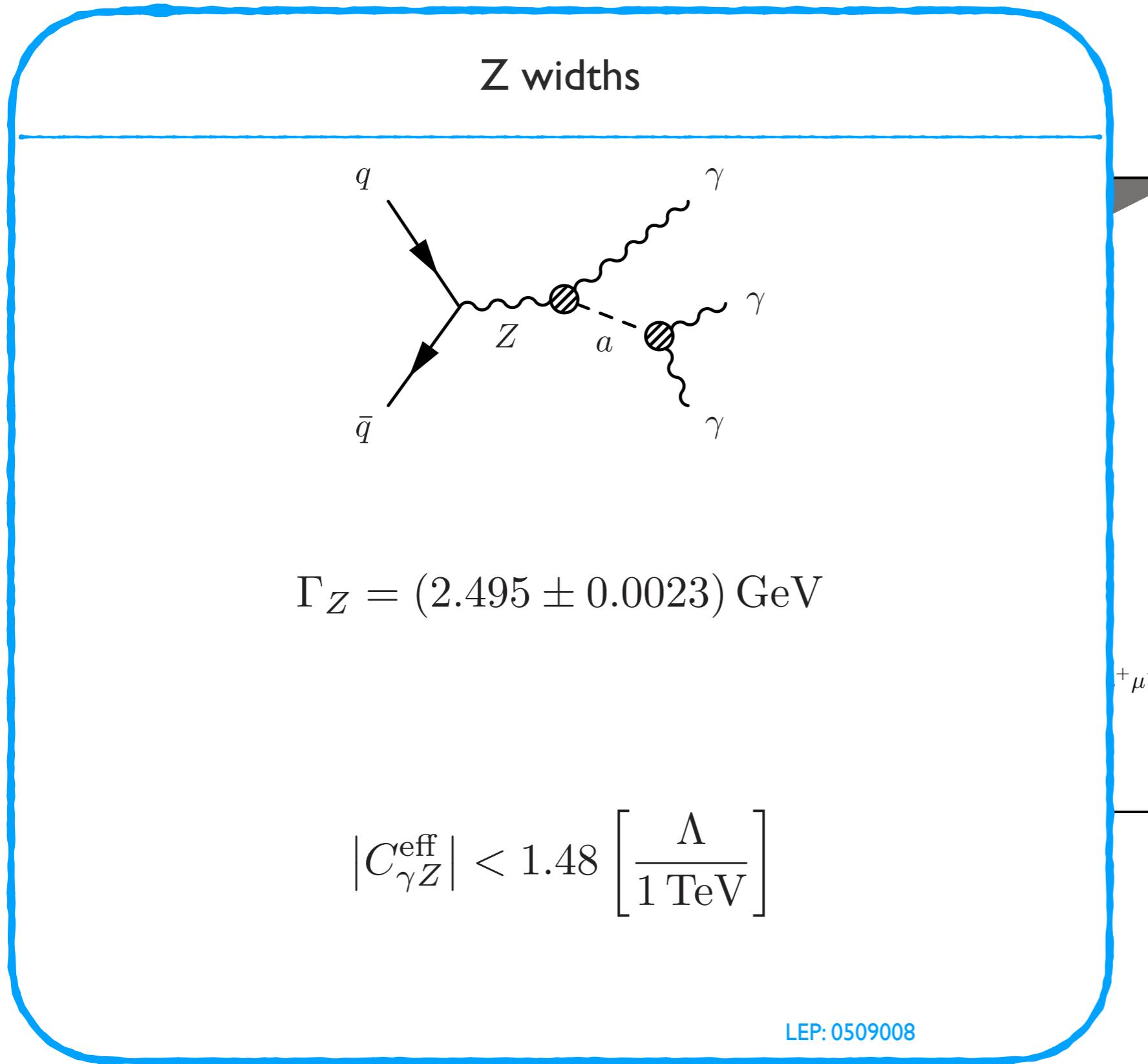


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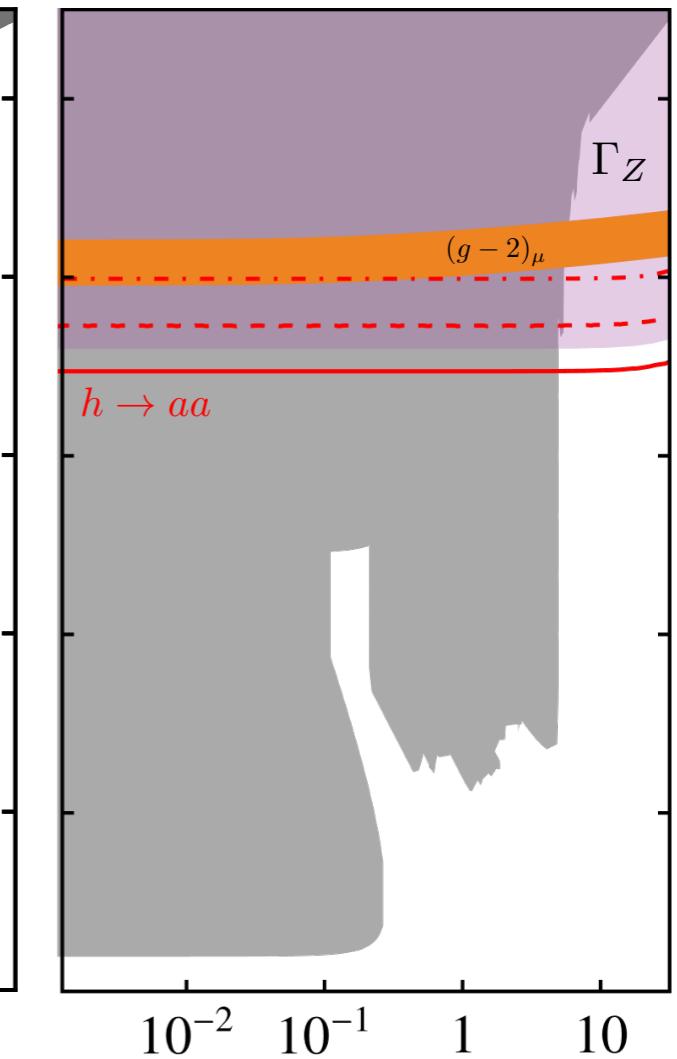
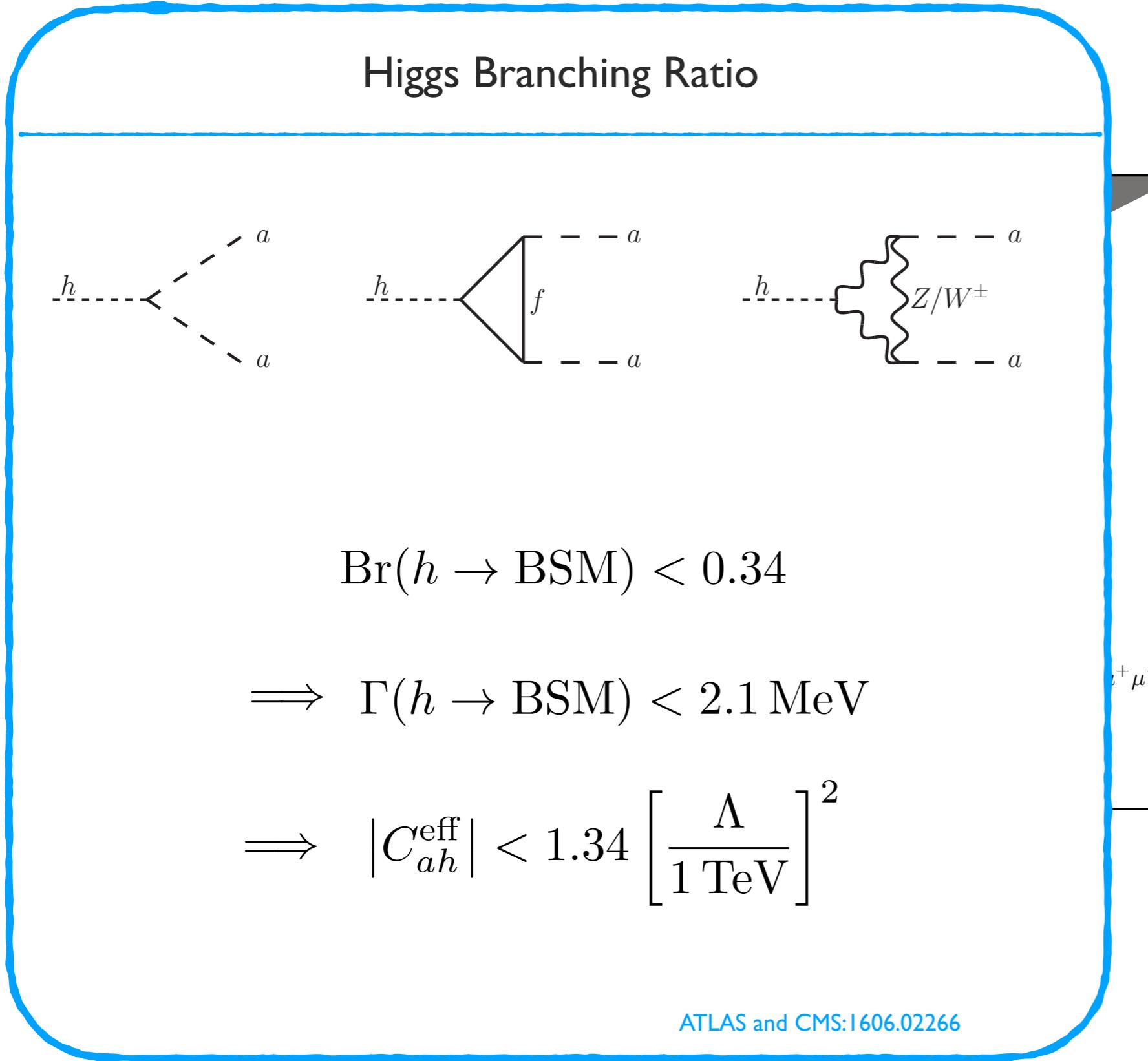
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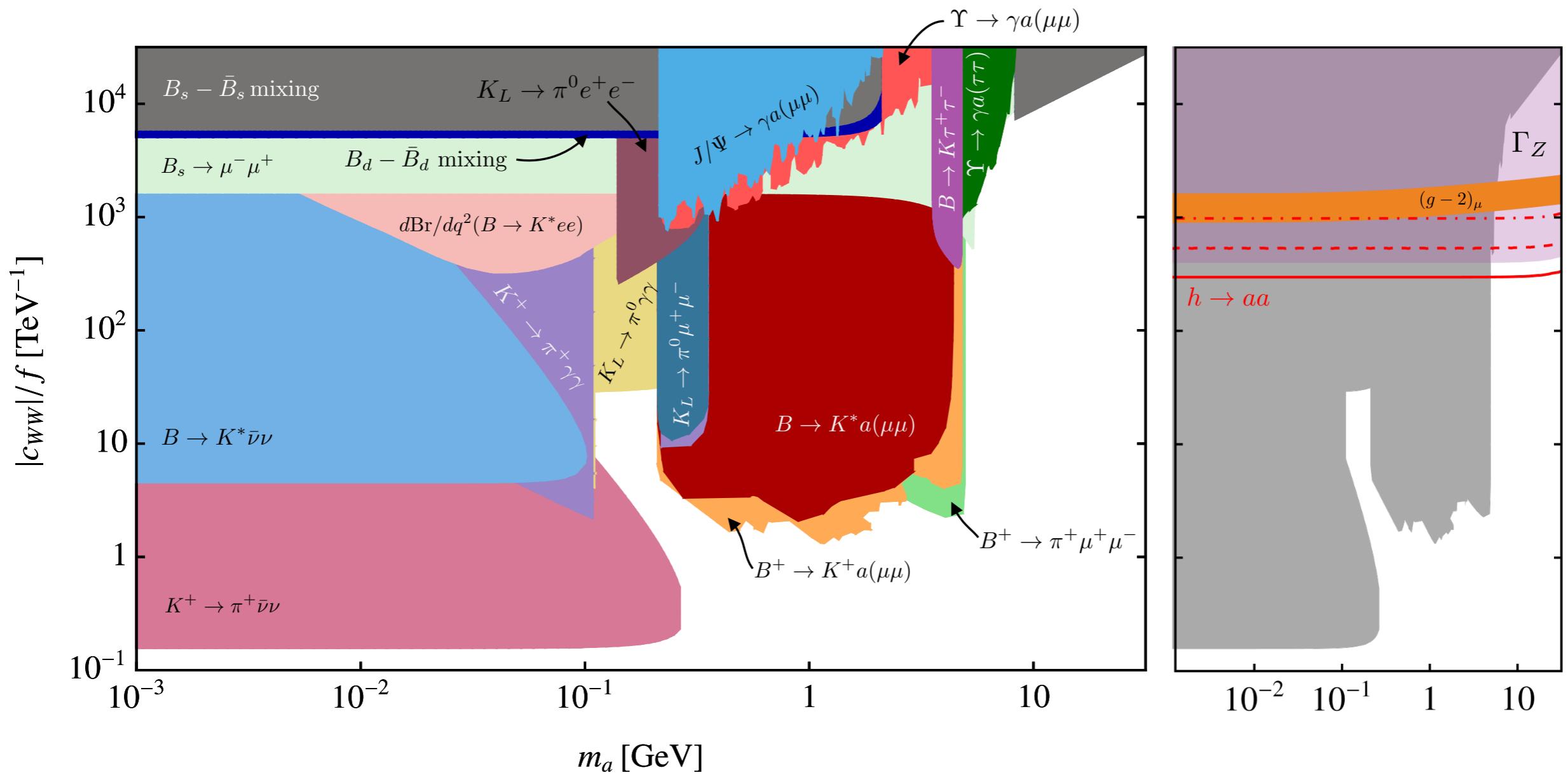
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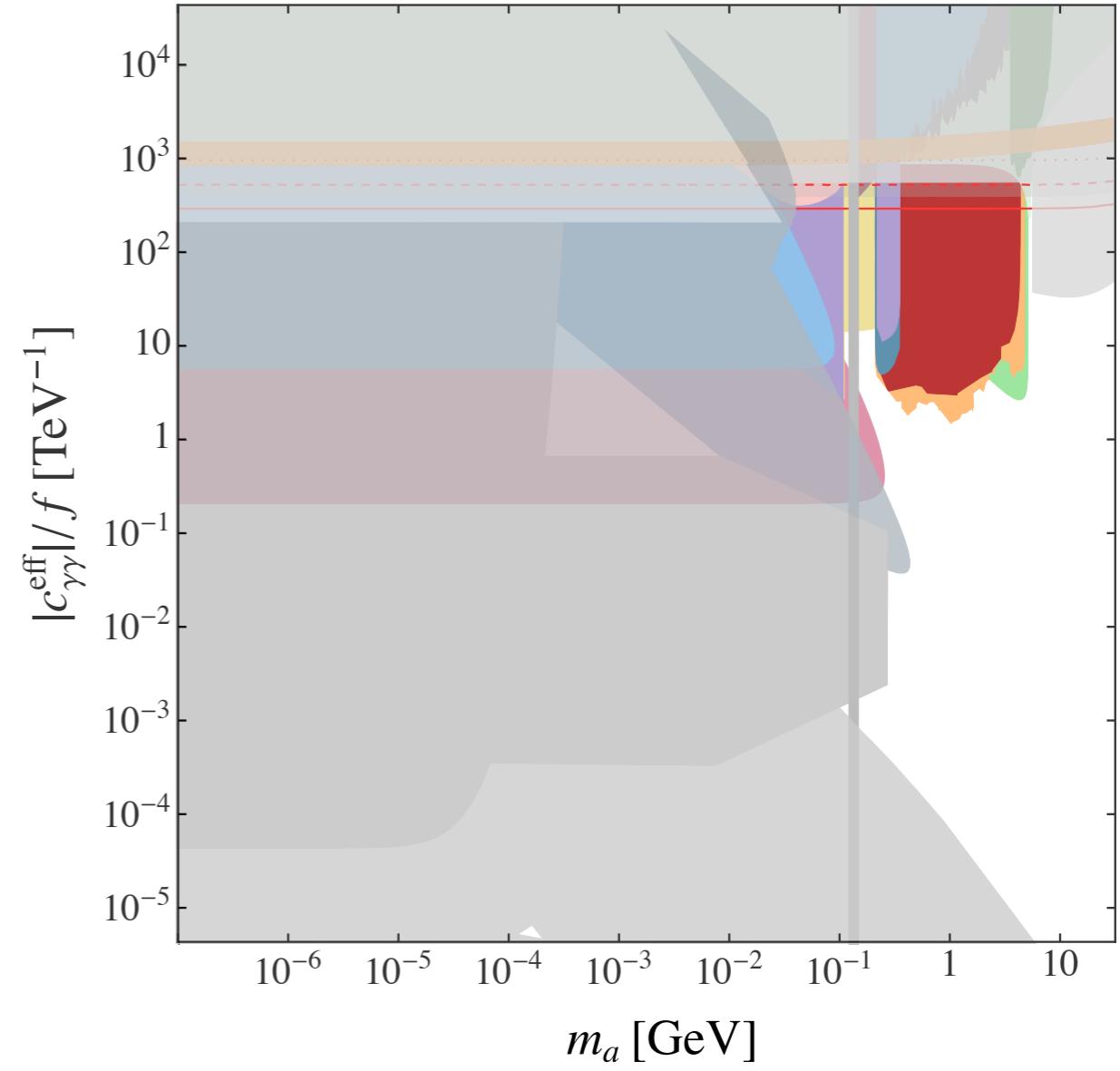
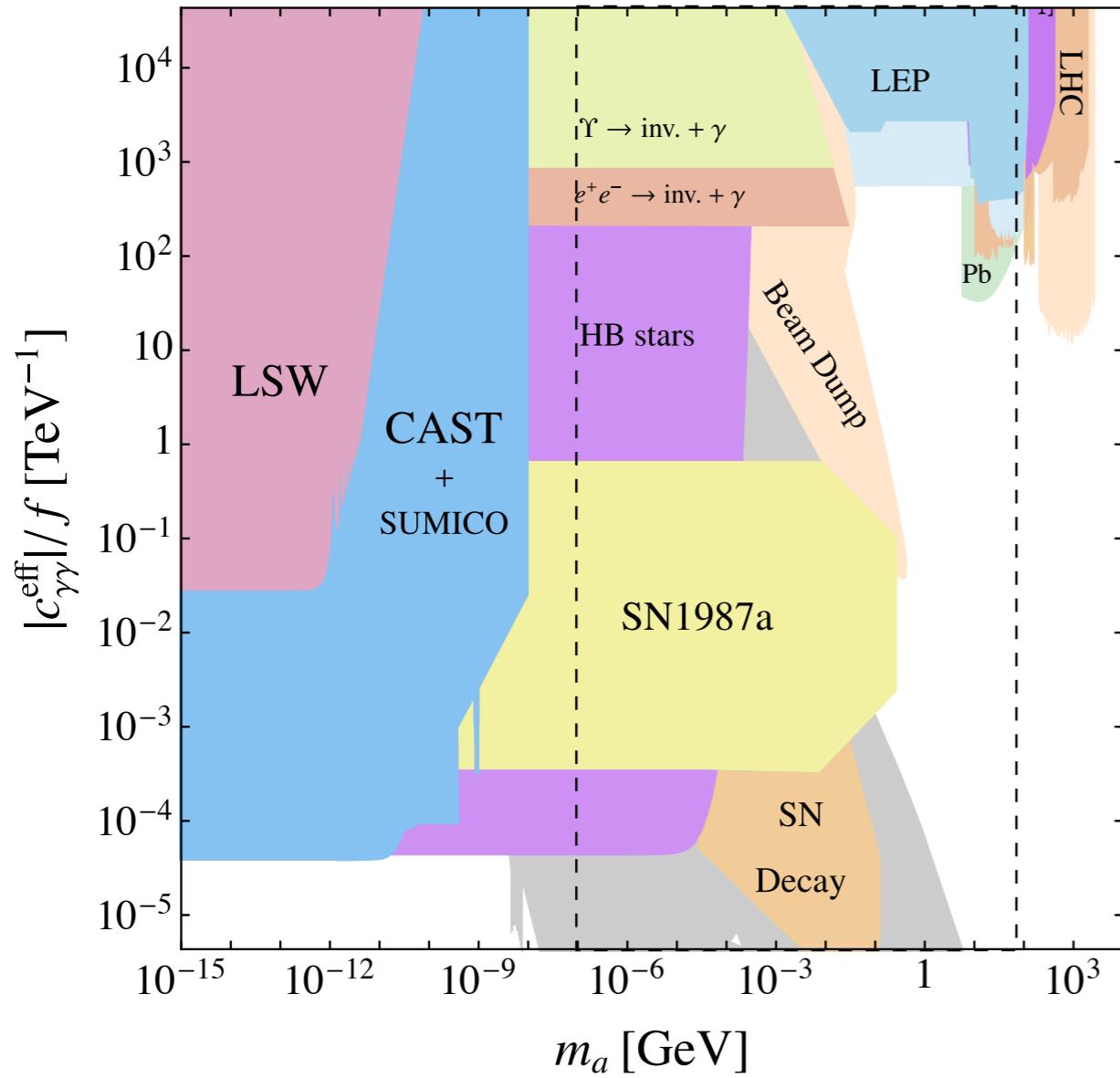


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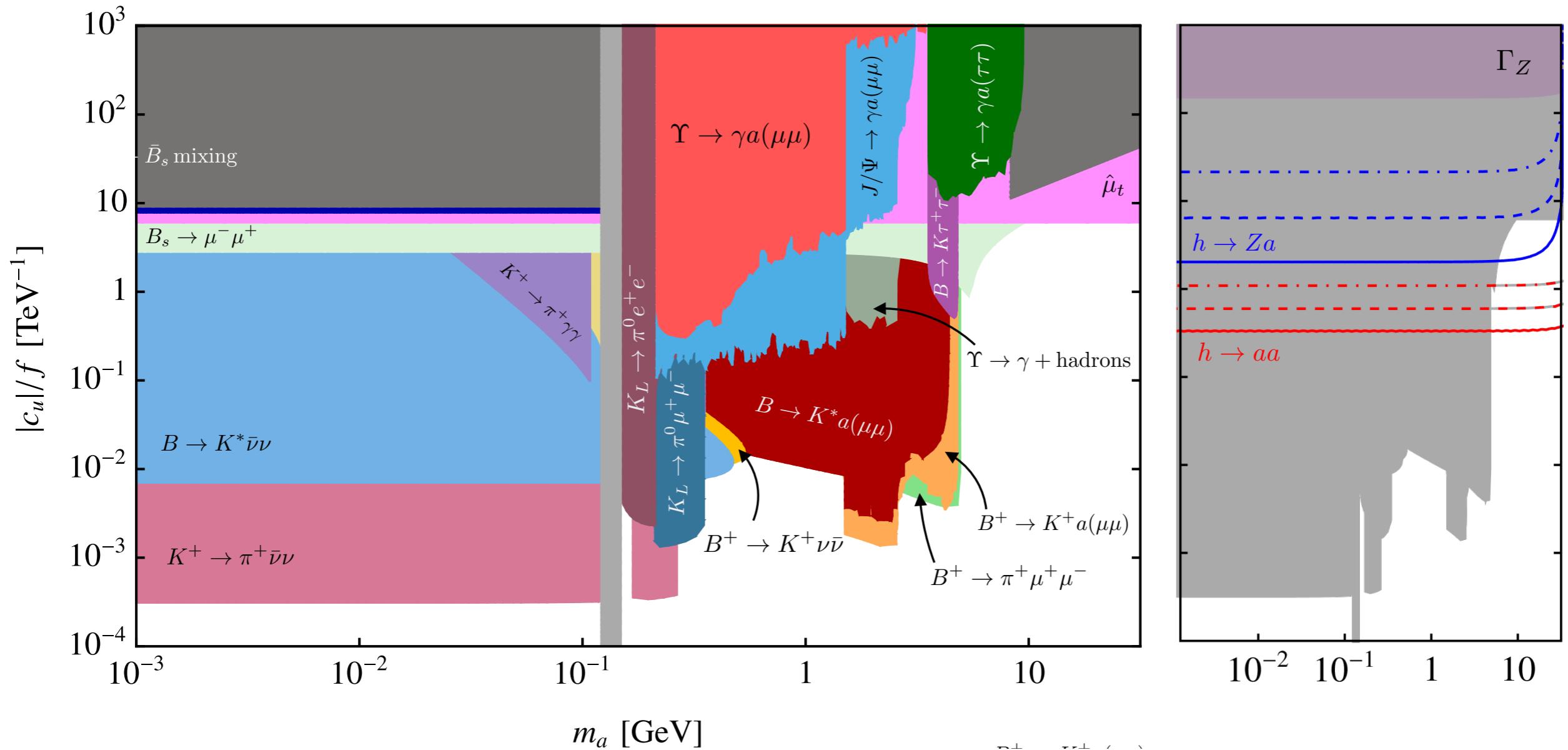
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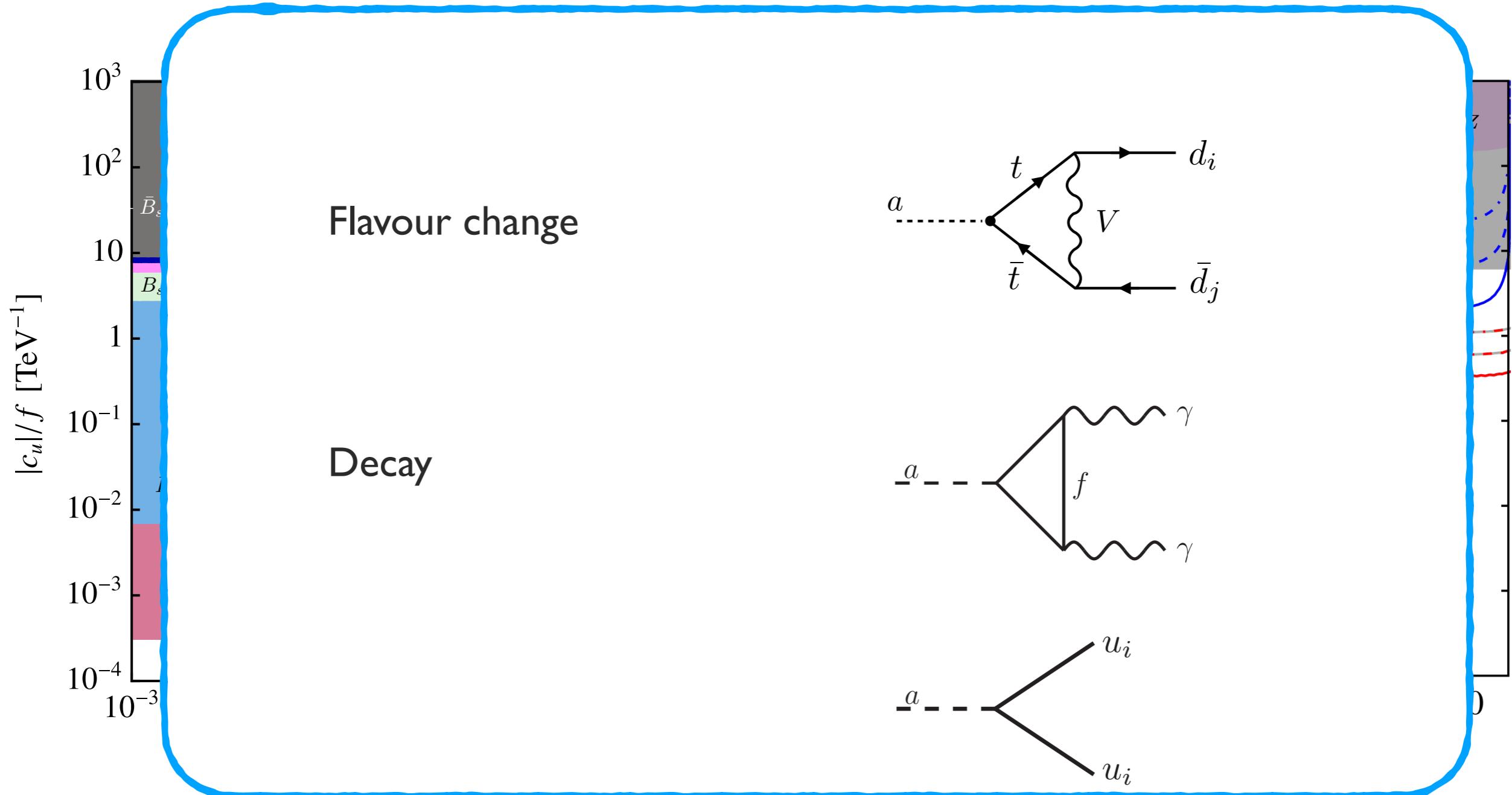
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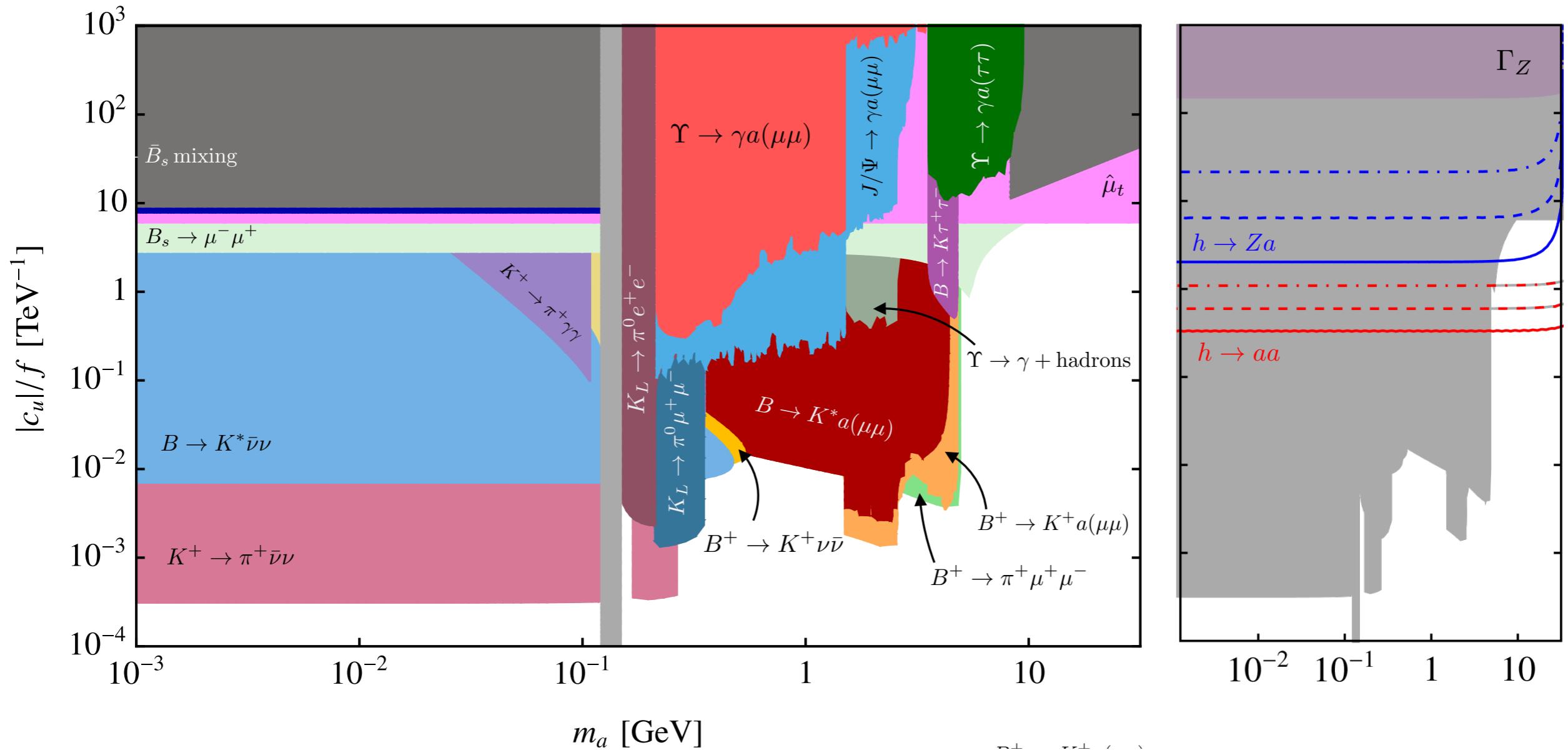
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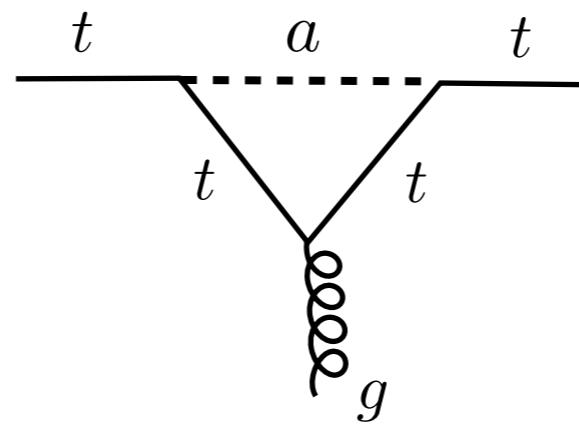
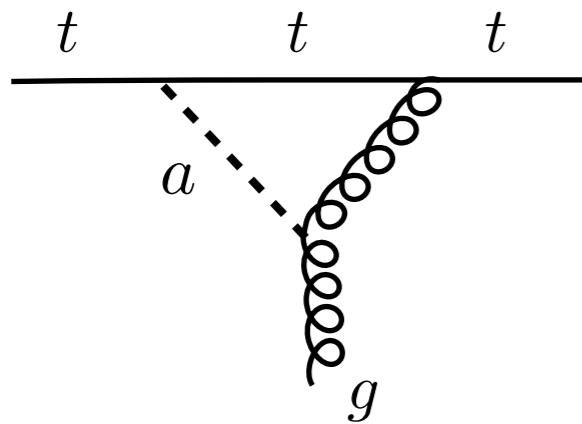


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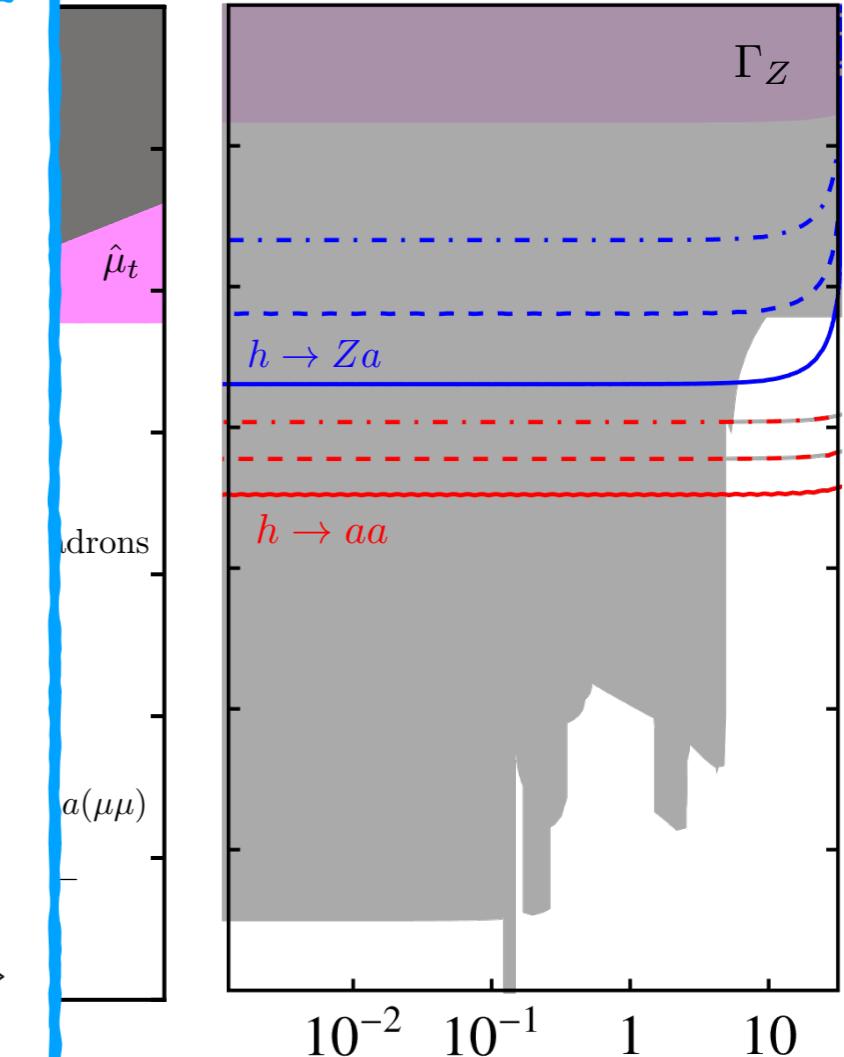
Chromomagnetic moment of the top

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$$\hat{\mu}_t = \frac{m_t^2}{f^2} \frac{c_{tt}}{32\pi^2} \left\{ c_{tt} h_1(0, m_t, m_a) + \frac{2\alpha_s}{\pi} c_{GG} \left[\log \frac{\mu^2}{m_t^2} - h_2(0, m_t, m_a) \right] \right\}$$

$$-0.014 \leq \text{Re}(\hat{\mu}_t) < 0.004$$

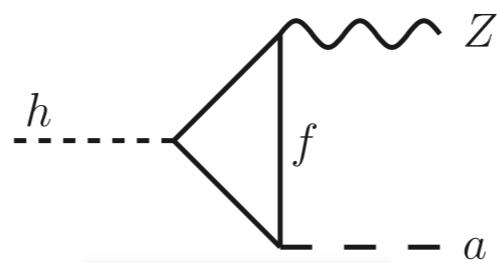
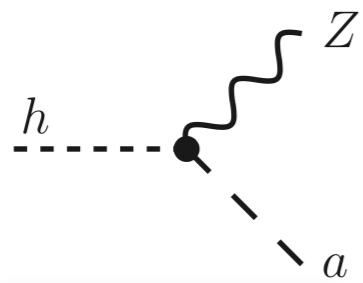


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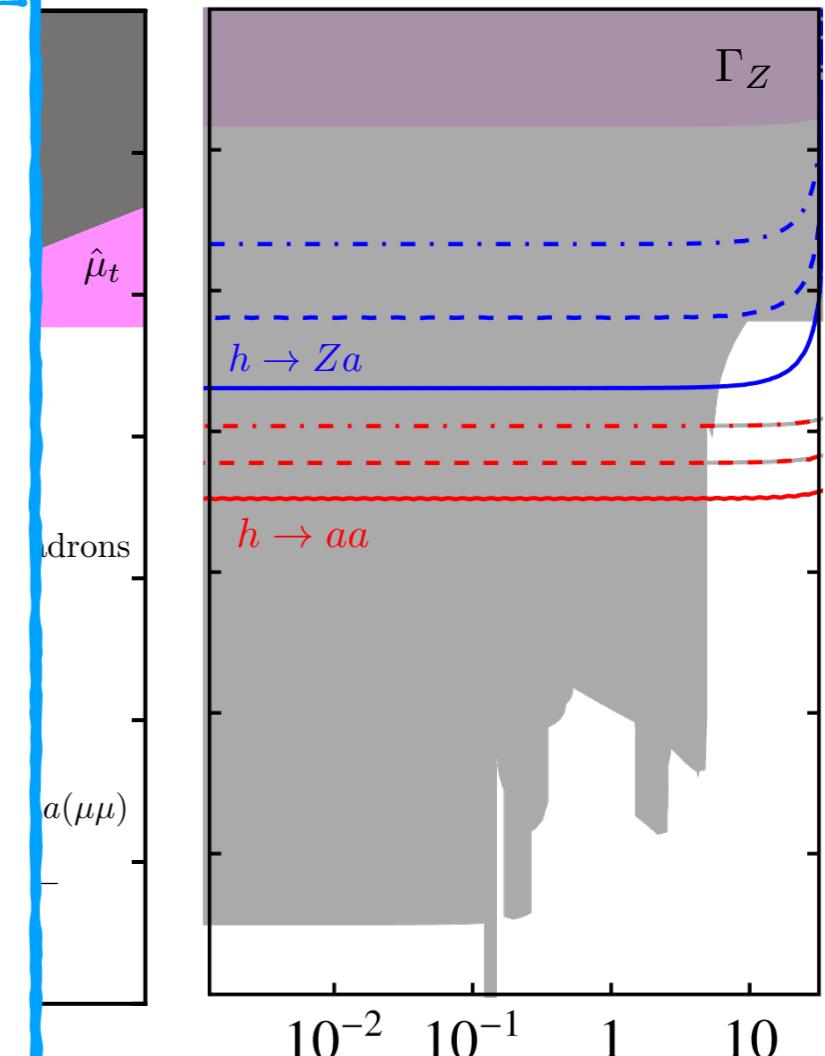


$$\text{Br}(h \rightarrow \text{BSM}) < 0.34$$

$$\implies \Gamma(h \rightarrow \text{BSM}) < 2.1 \text{ MeV}$$

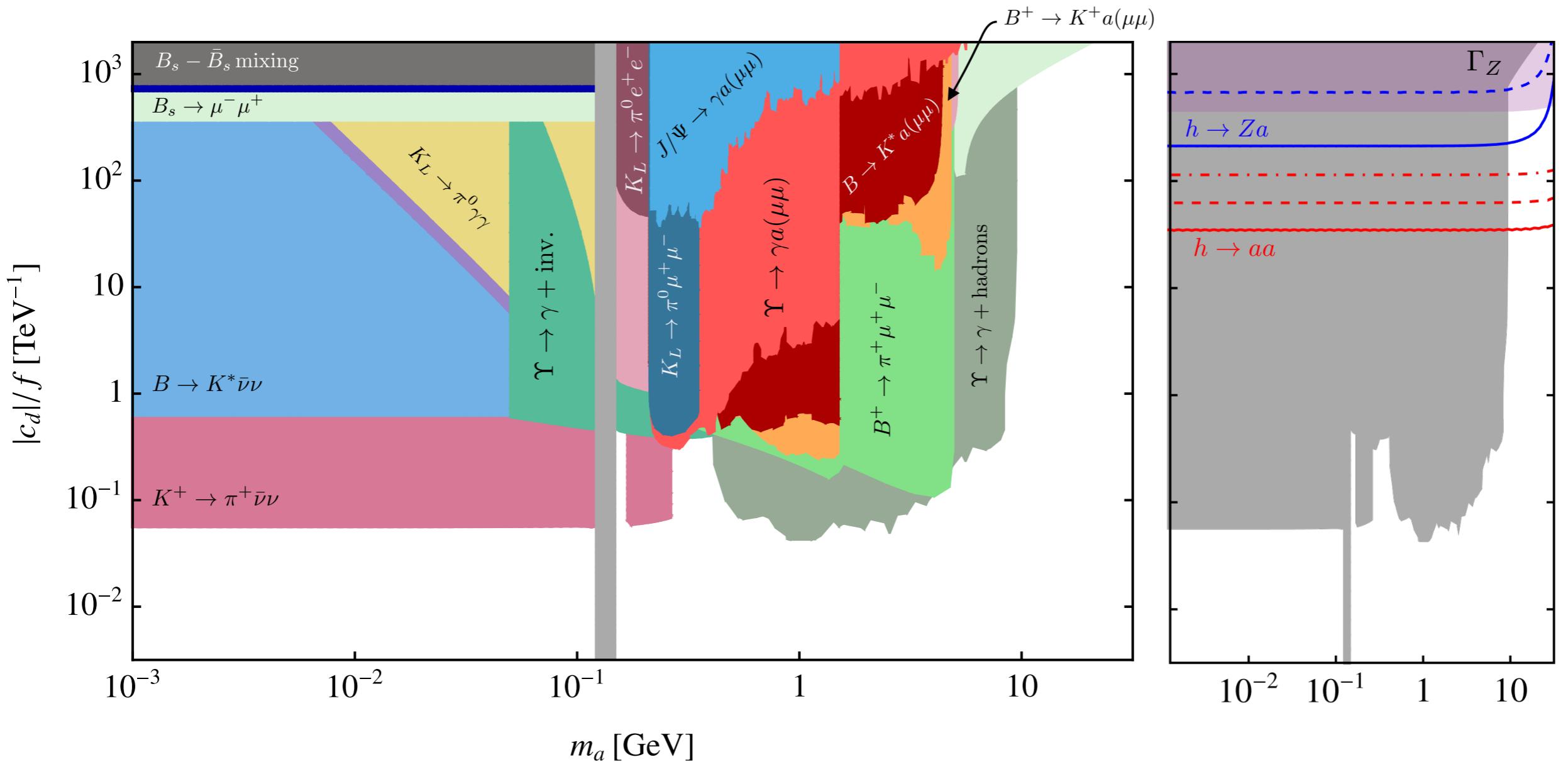
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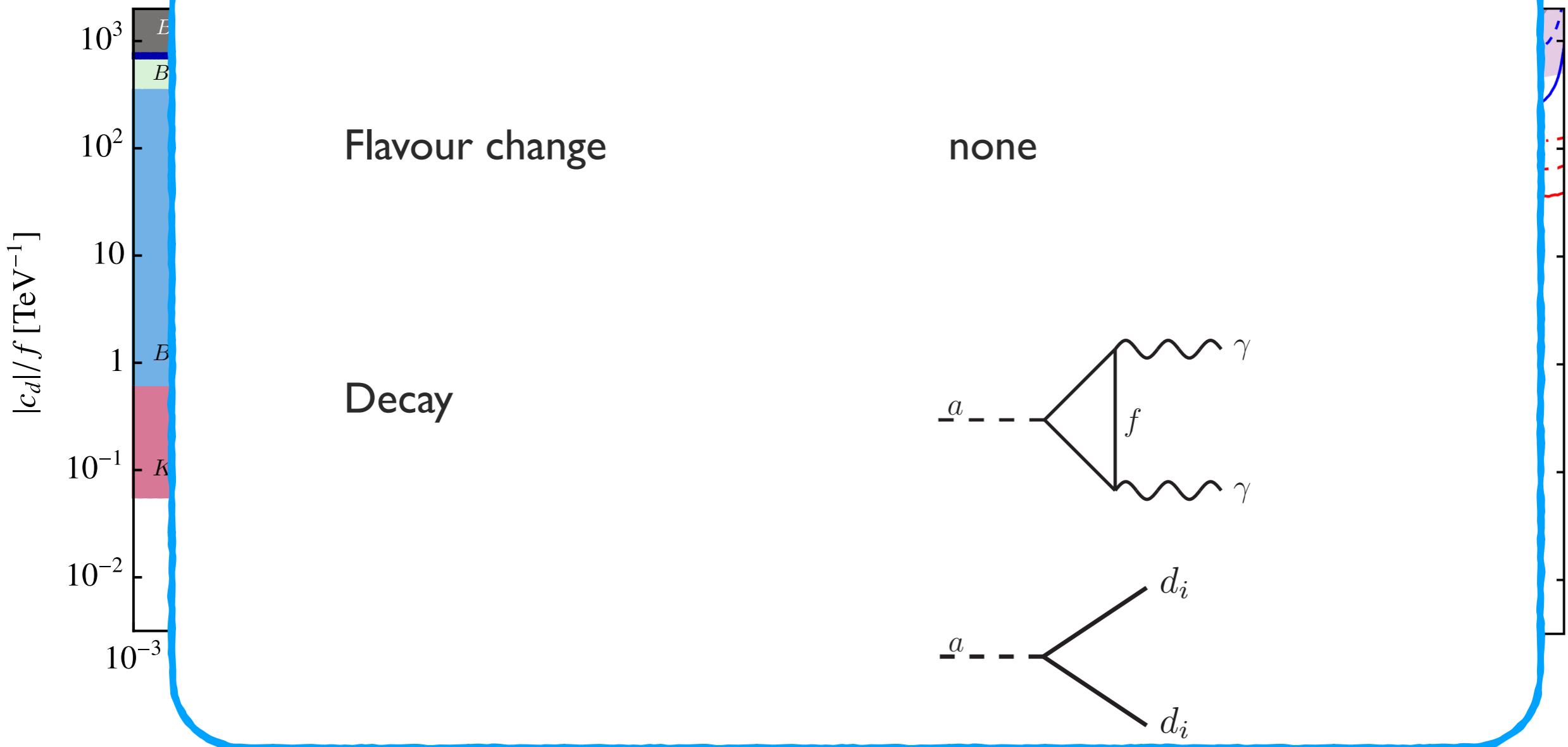
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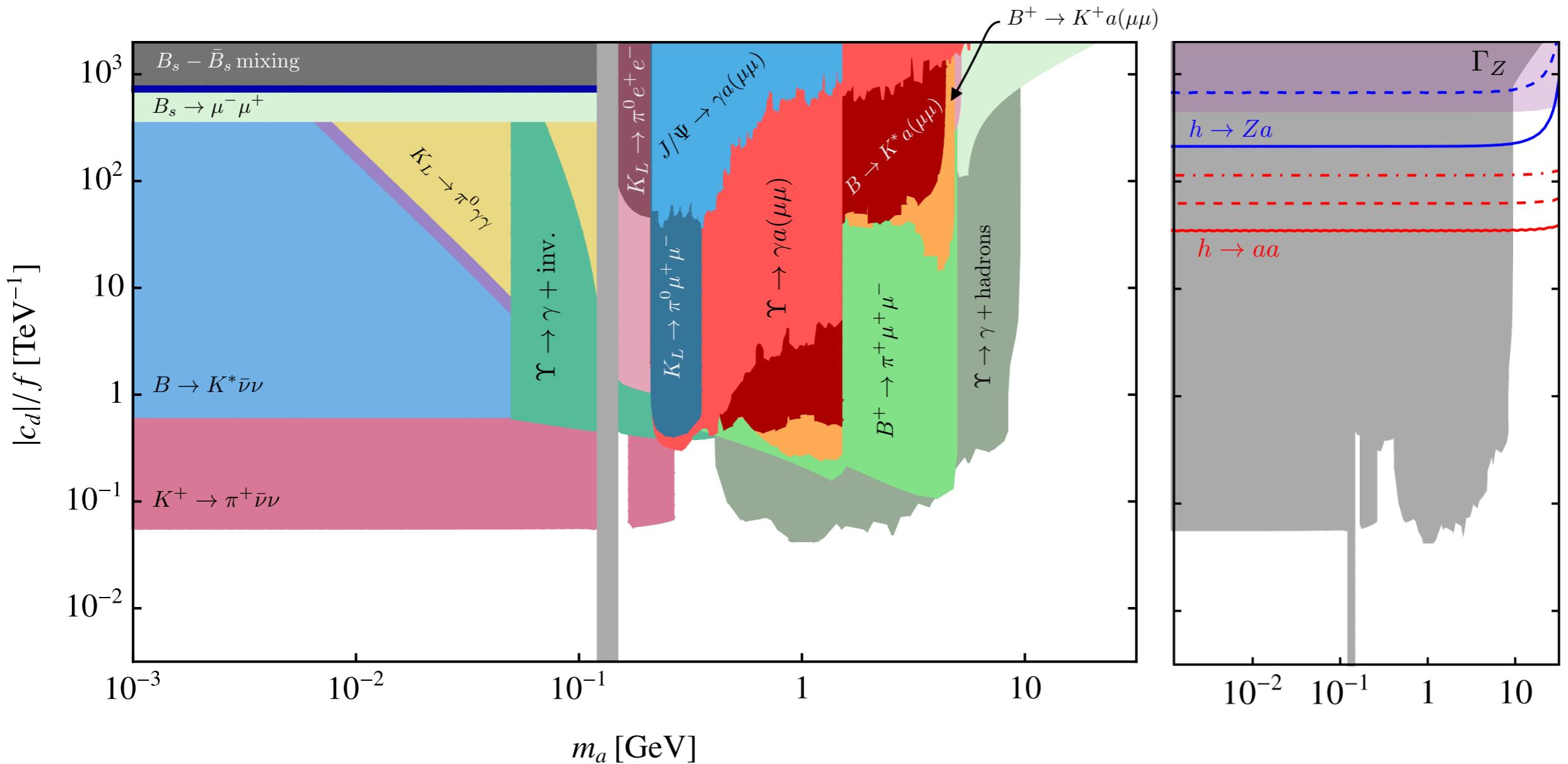
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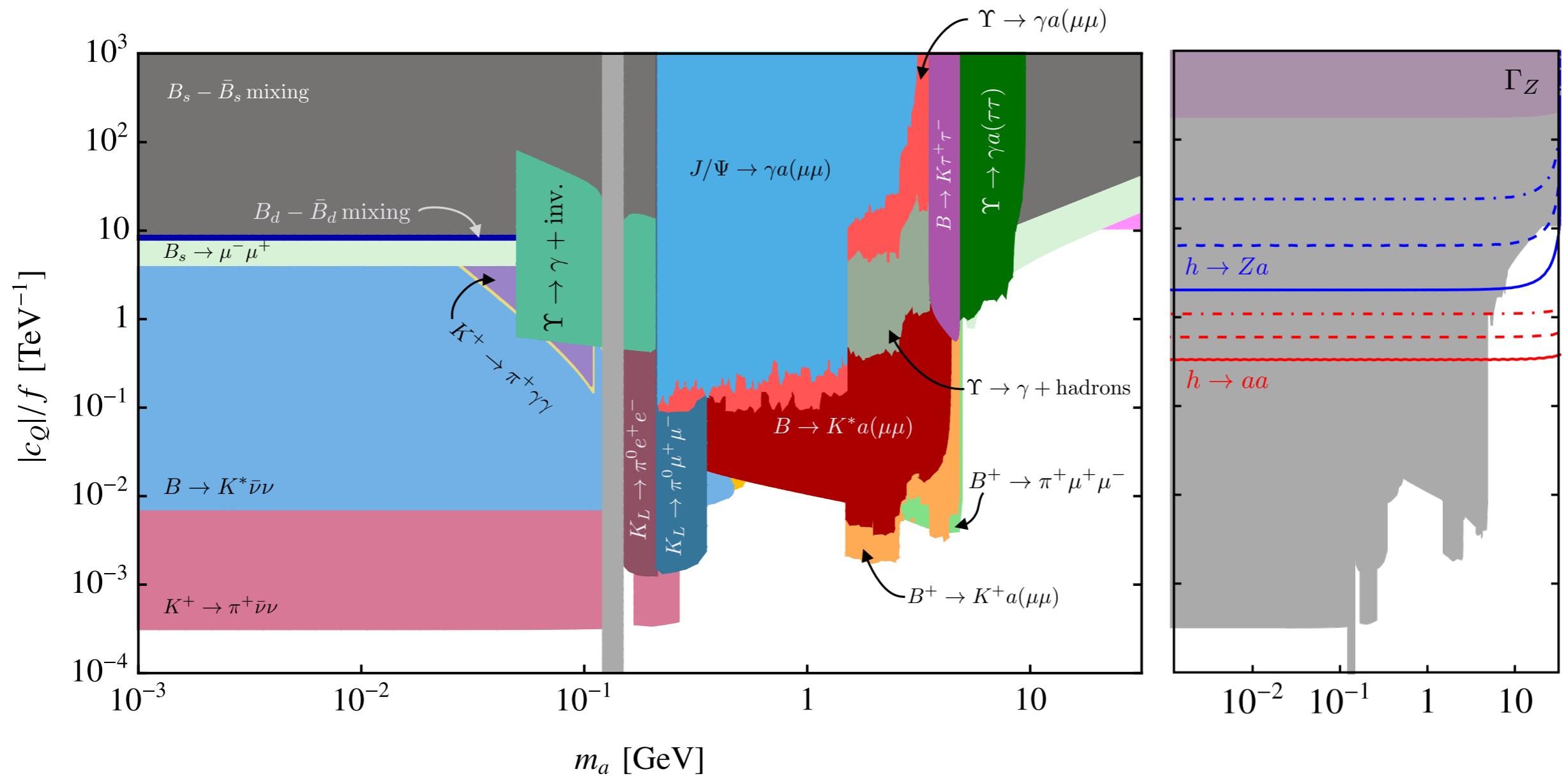
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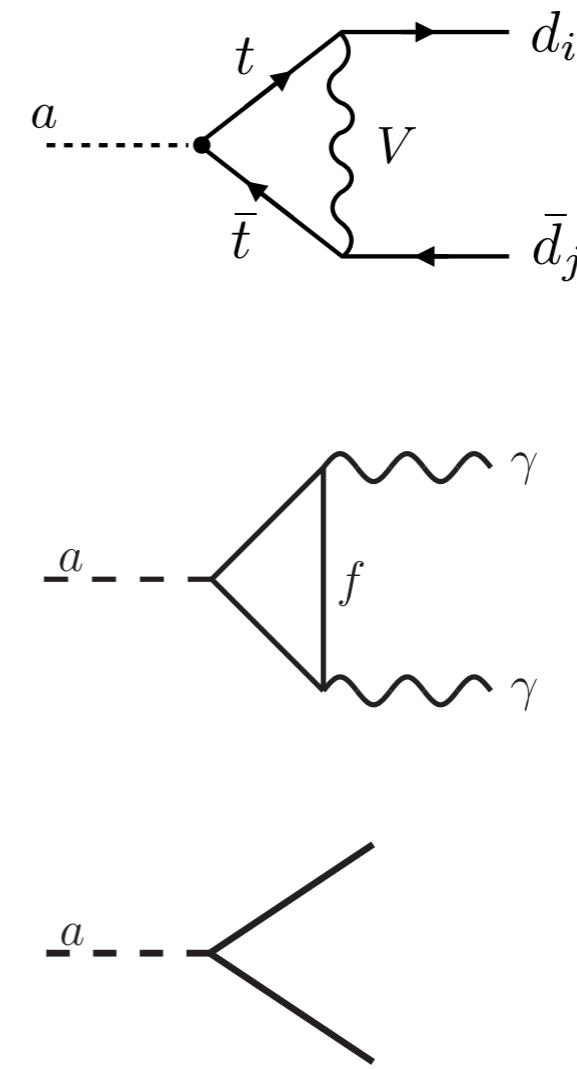
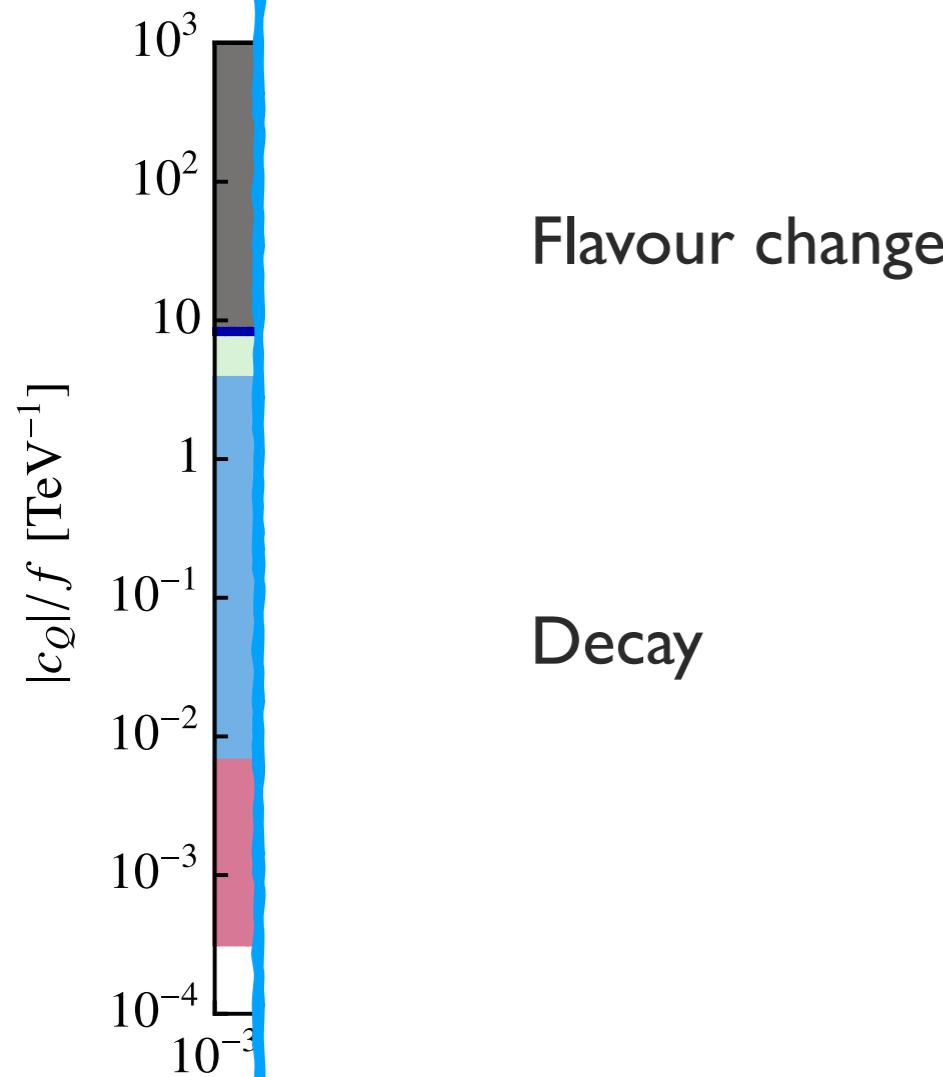
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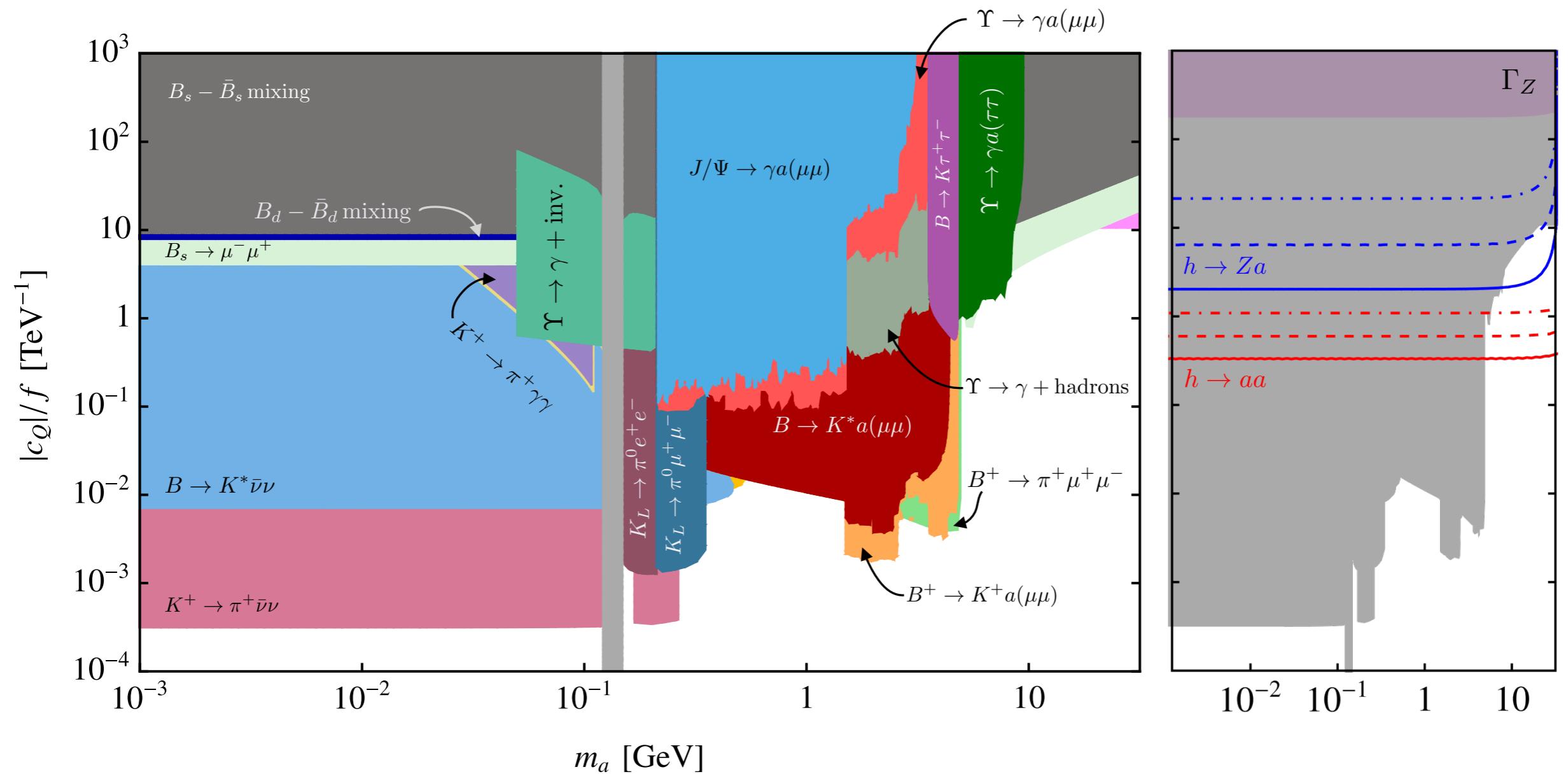
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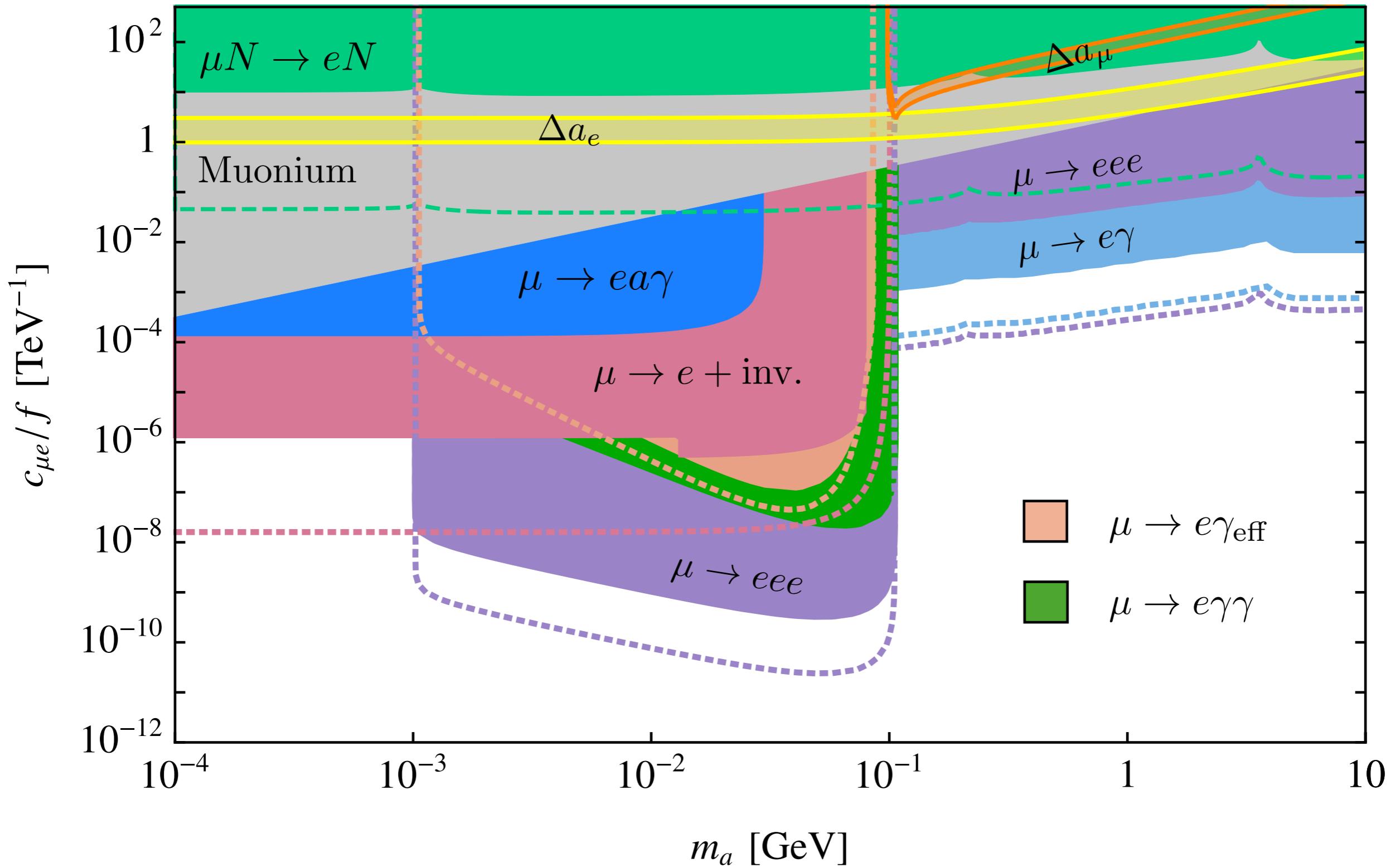
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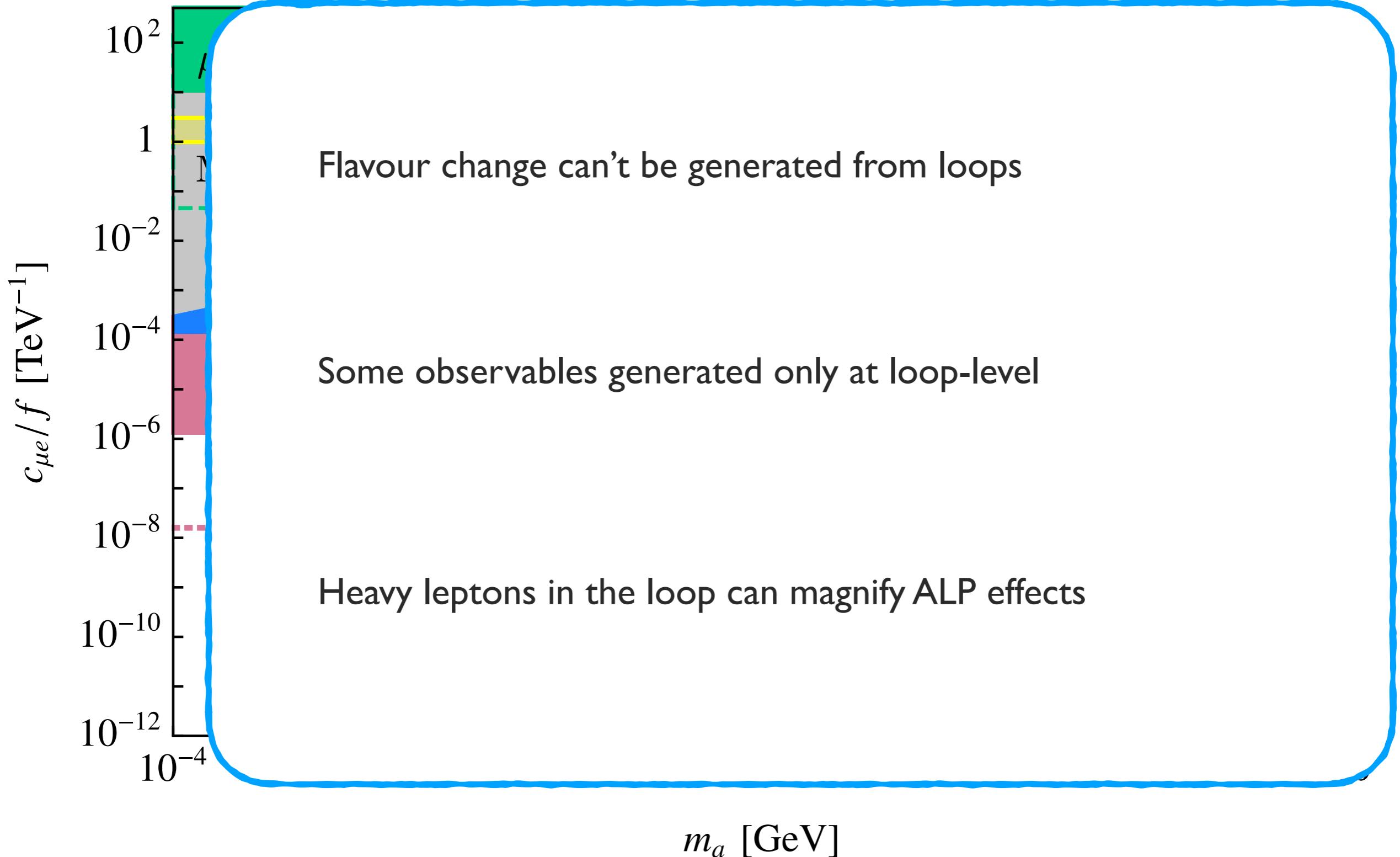
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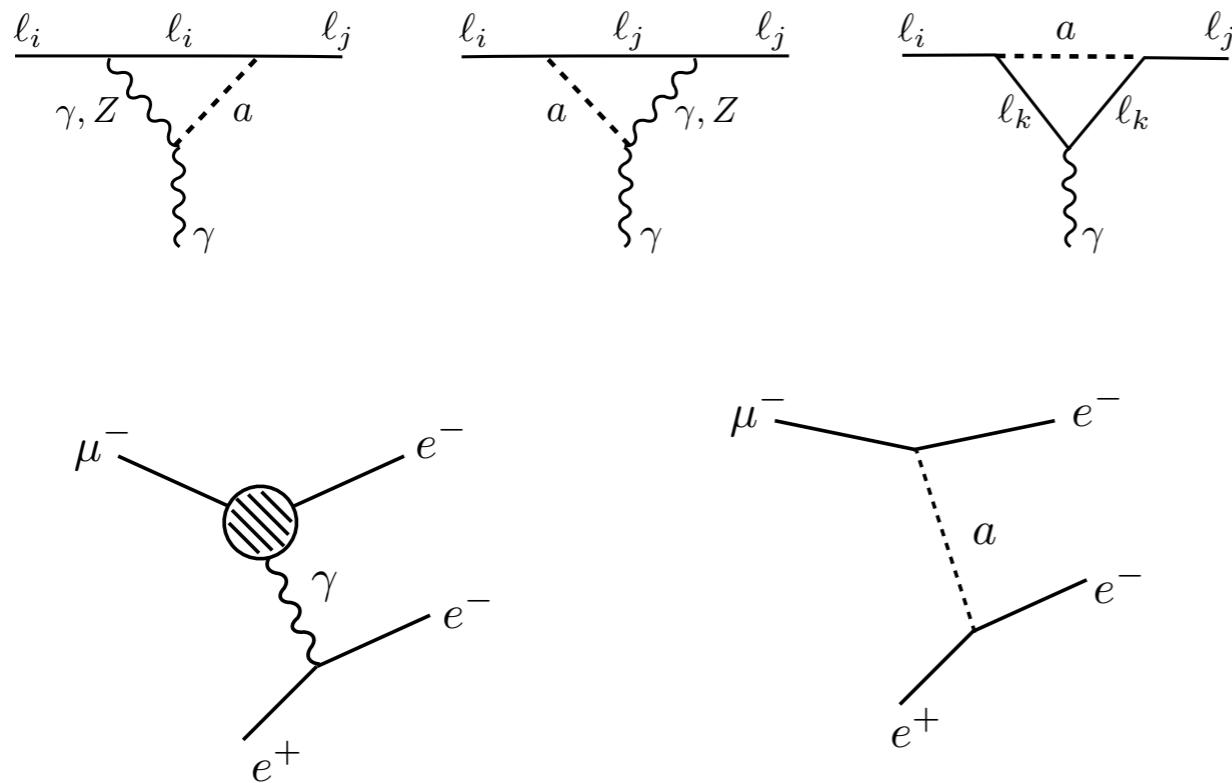
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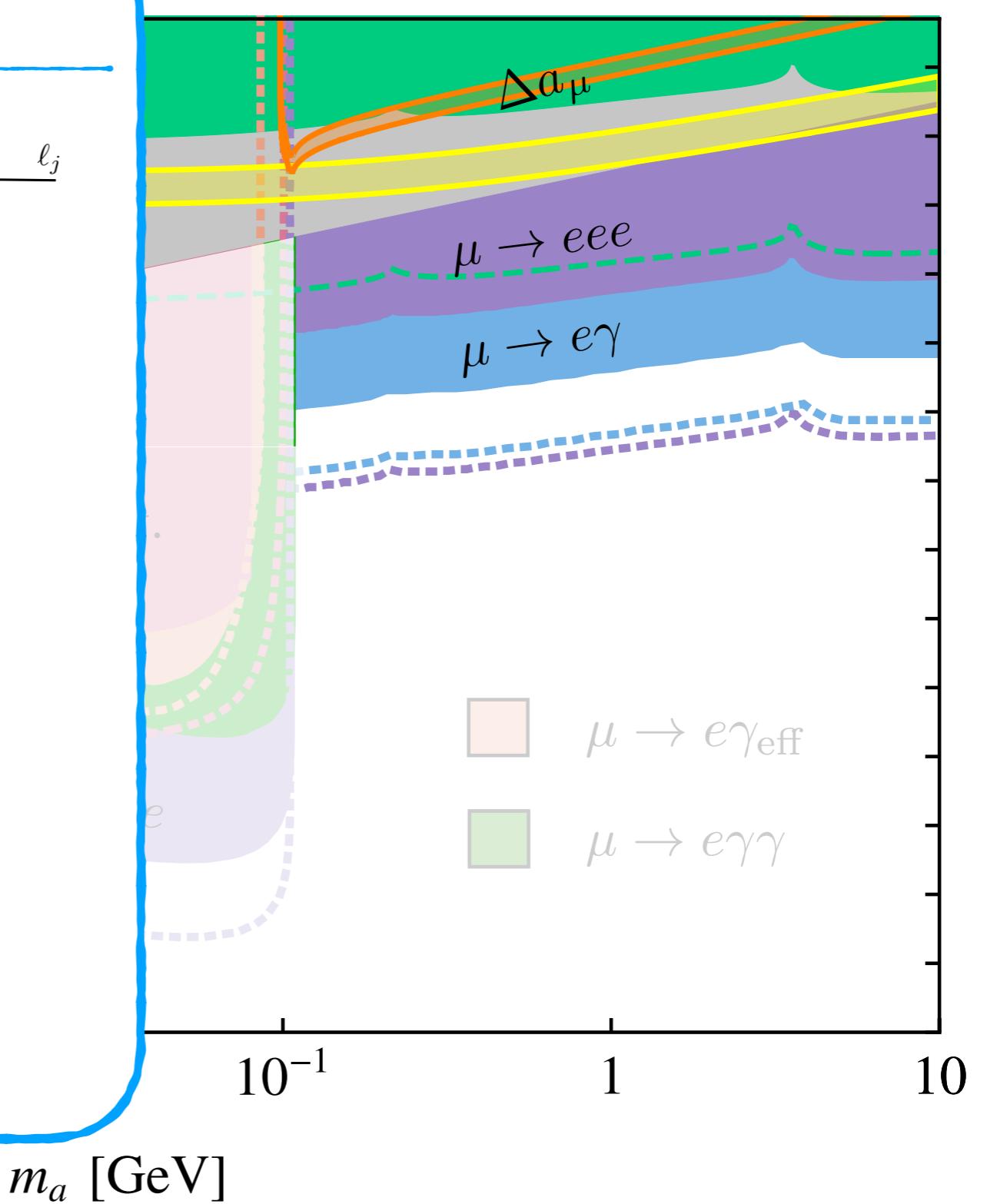
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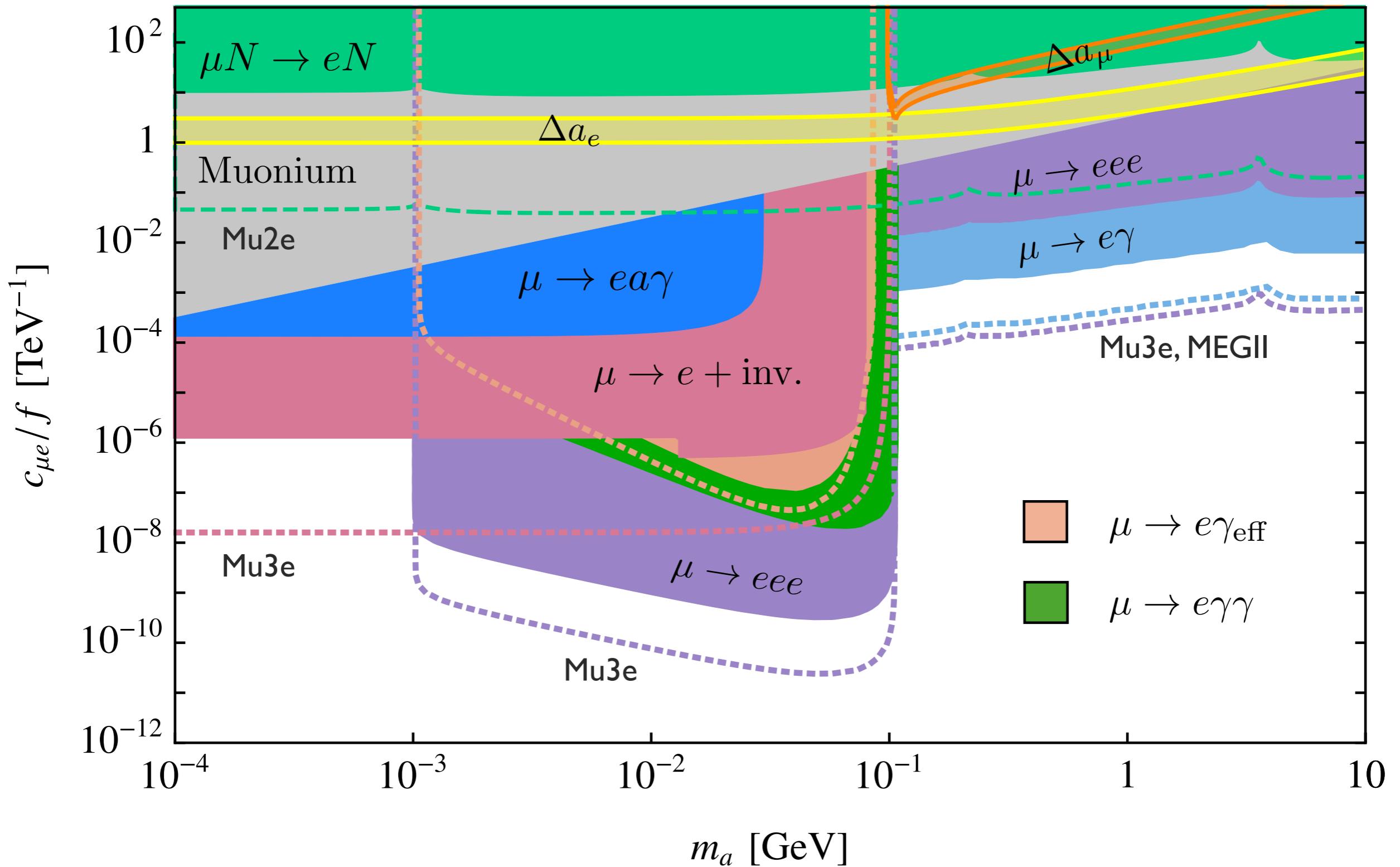
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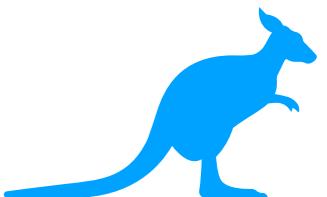
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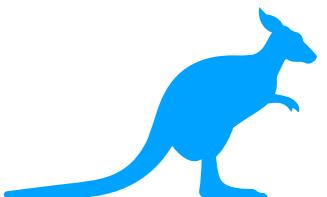
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- Significant impact of RG evolution on phenomenology
- Collider probes complementary to flavor probes

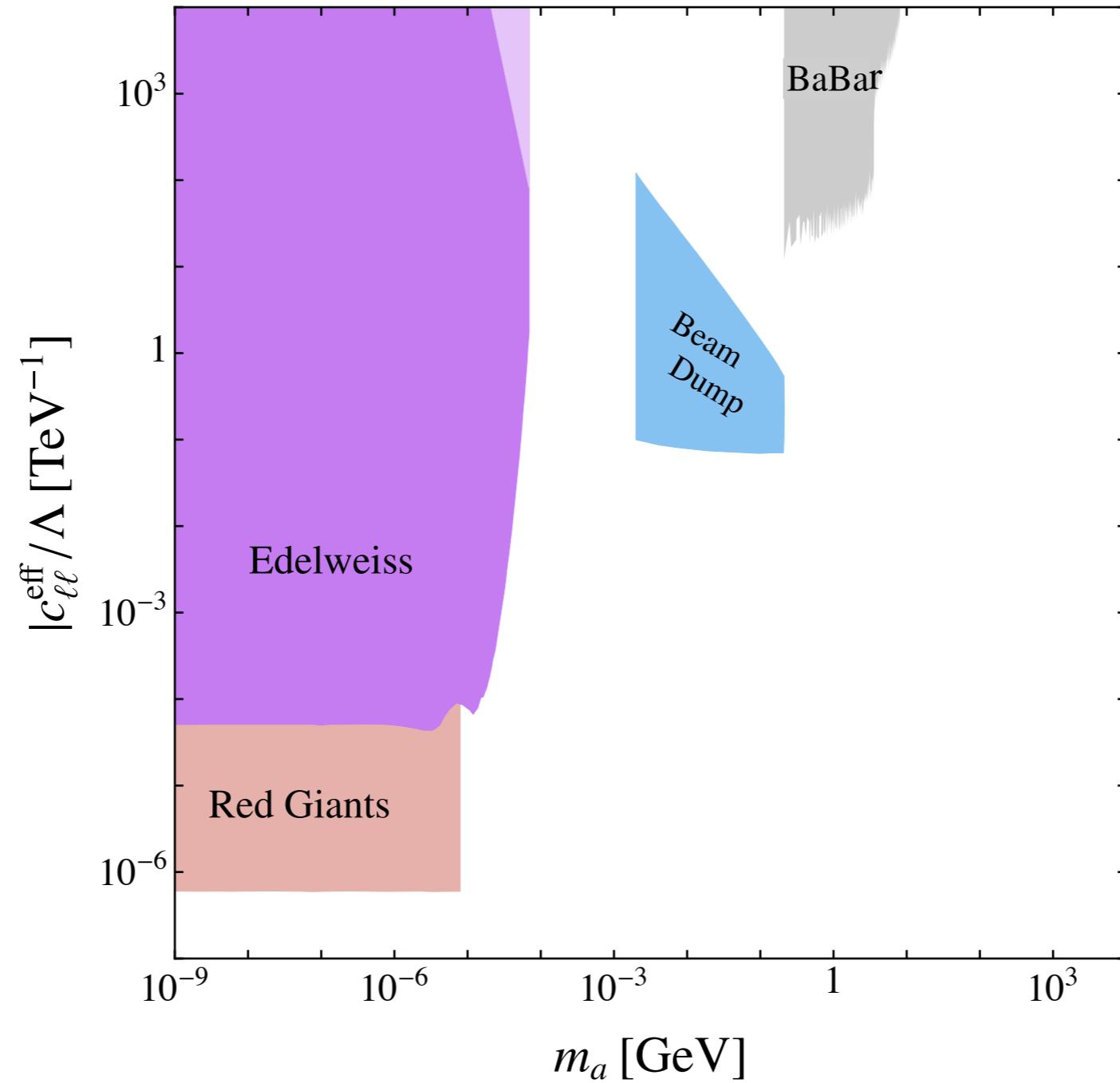
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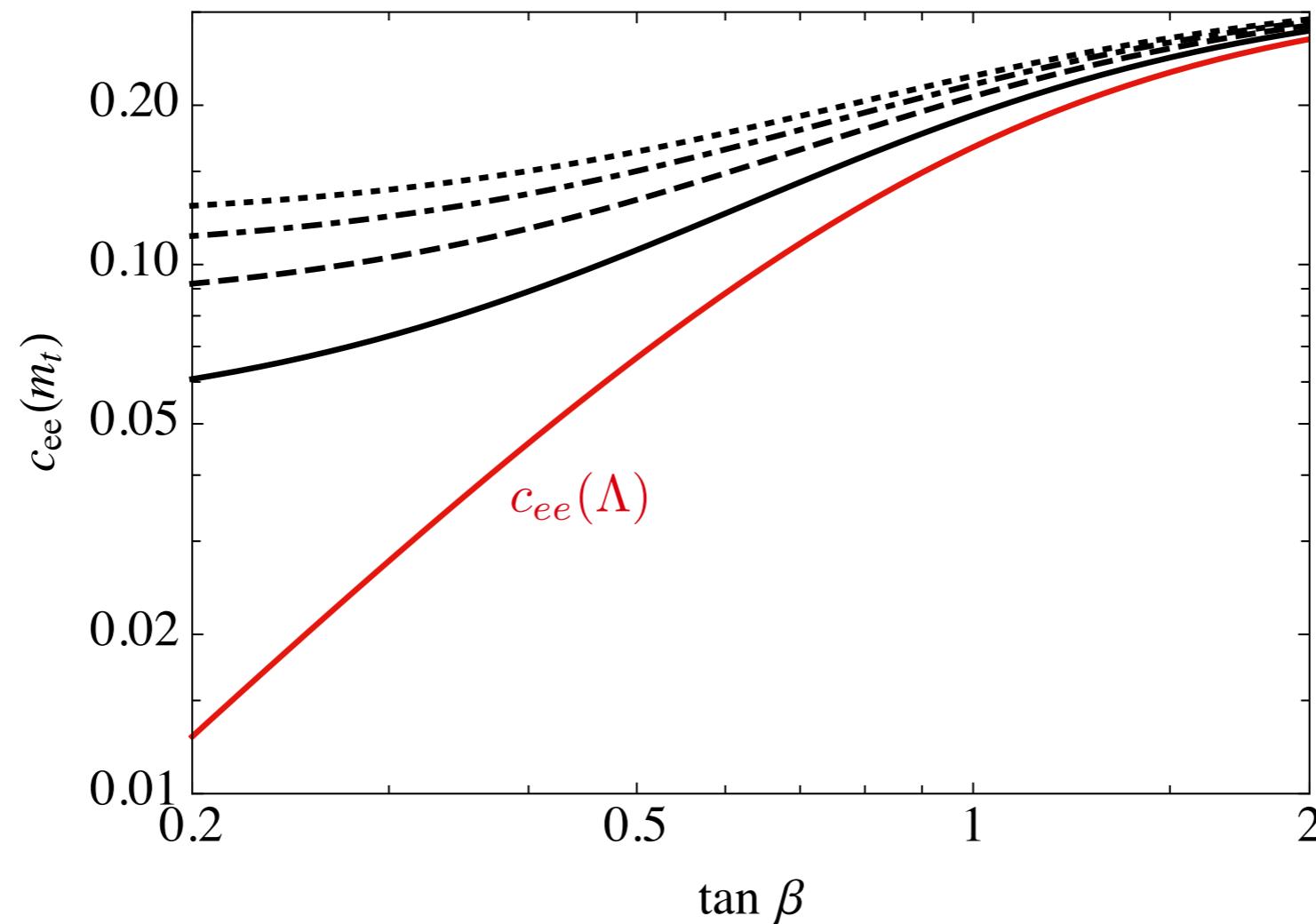


Lepton coupling only



Operator Evolution at the Weak Scale

Example: DFSZ QCD axions



$$c_{u_i u_i}(\Lambda) = \frac{1}{3} \cos^2 \beta, \quad c_{d_i d_i}(\Lambda) = c_{e_i e_i}(\Lambda) = \frac{1}{3} \sin^2 \beta, \quad c_{GG} = -\frac{1}{2}$$