

Hidden Monopole Dark Matter via Axion Portal and its Implications for Direct Search and Beam-Dump Experiments



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 - Axion portal ← Our main interest
(c.f. W. Fischler & J. Preskill '83)

't Hooft-Polyakov monopole

- It is known that a magnetic monopole can arise when a **non-abelian gauge symmetry** is spontaneously broken via the **Higgs mechanism**.

't Hooft, Polyakov '74

$$\mathrm{SU}(2)_H + \phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_H = -\frac{1}{4} F_H^{\mu\nu} \cdot F_{H\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}^\mu \phi \cdot \mathcal{D}_\mu \phi - \mathcal{V}(\phi)$$

\times : products in the
• group space

$$F_H^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A_H^\nu - \partial^\nu A_H^\mu + e_H A_H^\mu \times A_H^\nu$$

$$\mathcal{D}^\mu \phi = \partial^\mu \phi + e_H A_H^\mu \times \phi \quad \mathcal{V}(\phi) = \frac{1}{4} \lambda_\phi (\phi^2 - v_H^2)^2$$

hidden gauge coupling

vev of the scalar field

't Hooft-Polyakov monopole

- Expand the Lagrangian density around the vacuum state

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + (0, 0, v_H) \longrightarrow \text{SU}(2)_H \xrightarrow{\langle \phi \rangle} \text{U}(1)_H$$

- Particle spectrum in the hidden sector $\alpha_H = e_H^2/(4\pi)$
- Monopole is a **soliton** solution with **finite energy** configuration.

Particle	Mass	Hidden electric charge	Hidden magnetic charge
γ_H	0	0	0
φ	$m_\varphi = \sqrt{2\lambda_\phi} v_H$	0	0
W_H^\pm	$m_{W'} = \sqrt{4\pi\alpha_H} v_H$	$Q_E = \pm e_H$	0
$M(\bar{M})$	$m_M = \sqrt{4\pi/\alpha_H} v_H$	$Q_E = \pm e_H \theta_H/(2\pi)$	$Q_M = \pm 4\pi/e_H$

The Witten effect

Witten '79

- The theta term of hidden U(1) gauge symmetry

$$\mathcal{L}_\theta = \theta_H \frac{e_H^2}{32\pi^2} F_H^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{H\mu\nu} = -\theta_H \frac{e_H^2}{8\pi^2} \mathbf{E}_H \cdot \mathbf{B}_H$$

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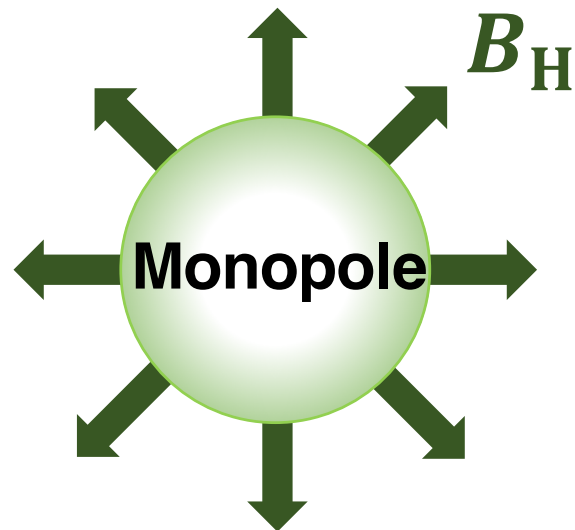
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$$Q_M = \pm \frac{4\pi}{e_H}$$

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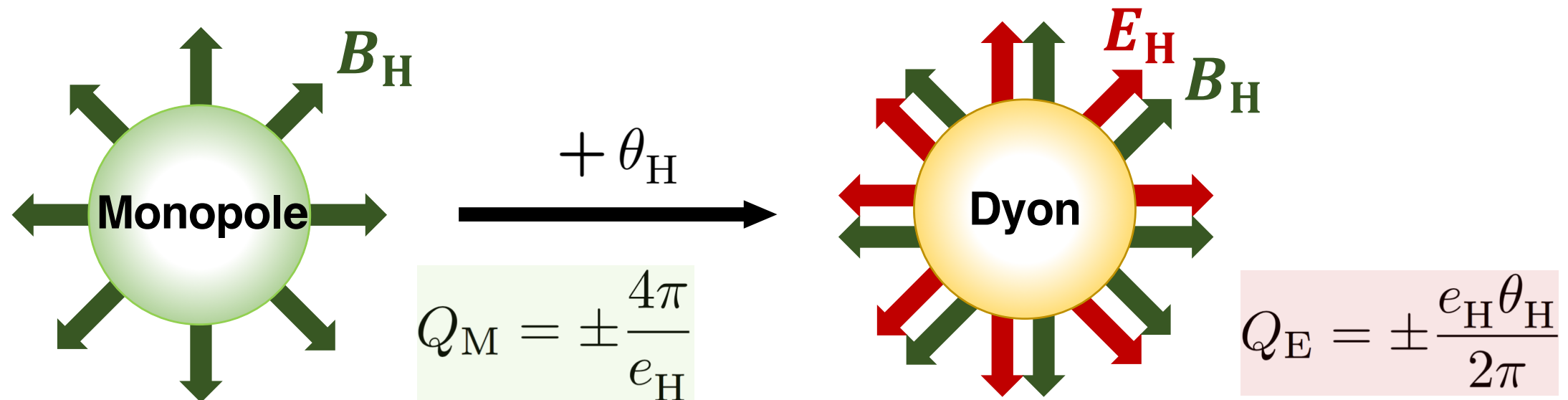
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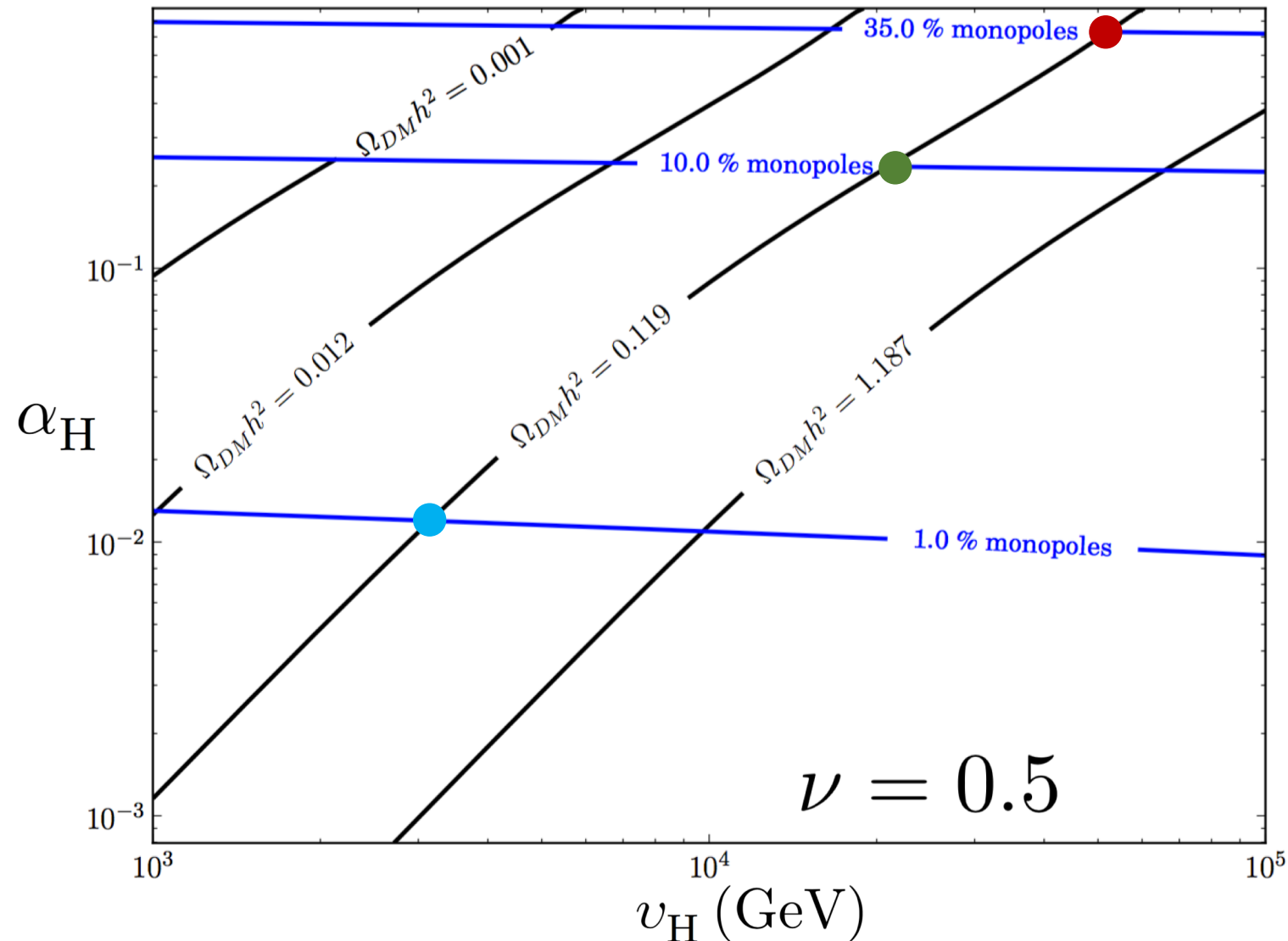
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Benchmark point

■ Combined relic abundance of DM

Khoze & Ro 2014



$$m_M = \sqrt{4\pi/\alpha_H} v_H$$

● $\sim 2.2 \times 10^5$ GeV

● $\sim 1.5 \times 10^5$ GeV

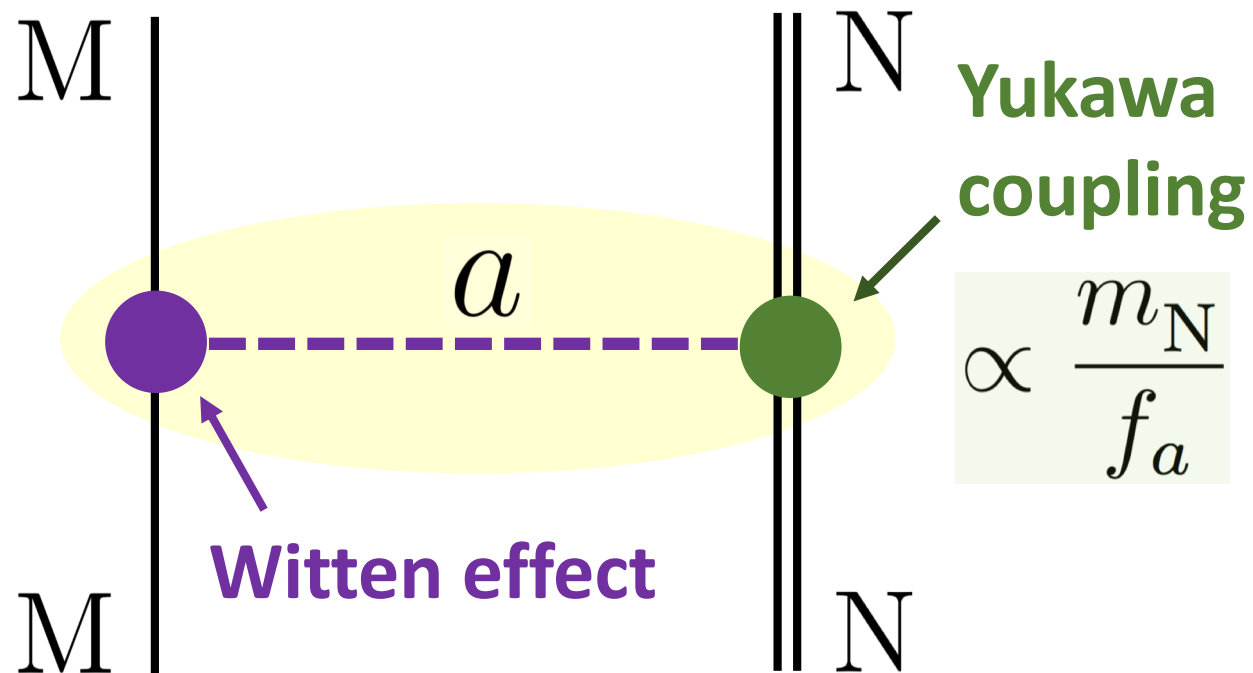
● $\sim 1.0 \times 10^5$ GeV

35% hidden monopole DM

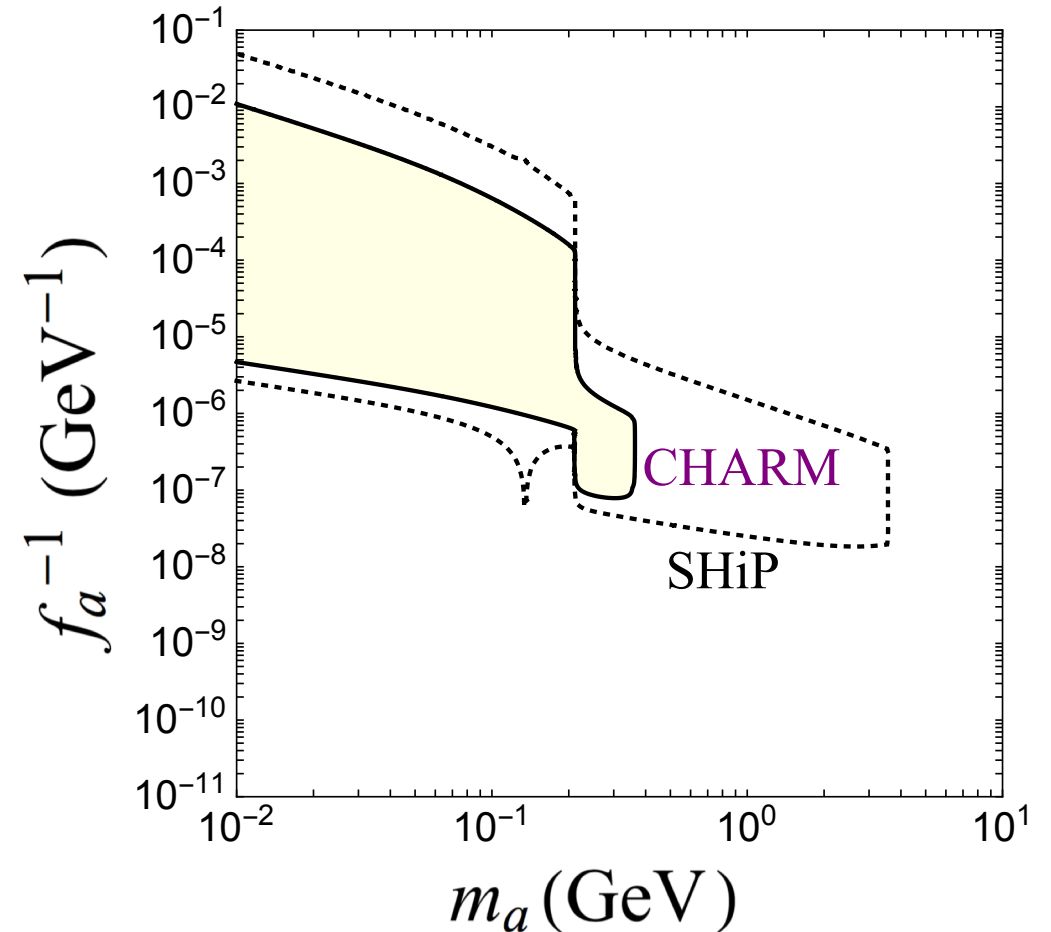
$$\alpha_H \simeq 0.73$$
$$m_M \simeq 216 \text{ TeV}$$

What we did

■ Axion portal coupling + Yukawa interaction



Direct detection searches



Beam-dump experiments

Axion portal coupling

■ Lagrangian density

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_H^{\mu\nu}F_{H\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}f_a^2\partial^\mu\theta\partial_\mu\theta - \frac{1}{2}m_a^2f_a^2(\theta - \theta_0)^2 + \theta\frac{e_H^2}{32\pi^2}F_H^{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}_{H\mu\nu}$$

(c.f. W. Fischler & J. Preskill 83') $F_H^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A_{H3}^\nu - \partial^\nu A_{H3}^\mu$

$$\theta \equiv a/f_a$$

■ Equation of motion of the axion field

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r}\frac{d\theta}{dr} - \left(m_a^2 + \frac{r_0^2}{r^4}\right)\theta + m_a^2\theta_0 = 0 \quad r_0 = \frac{e_H}{8\pi^2 f_a}$$

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The total energy density of the axion-monopole system must be finite.

Axion portal coupling

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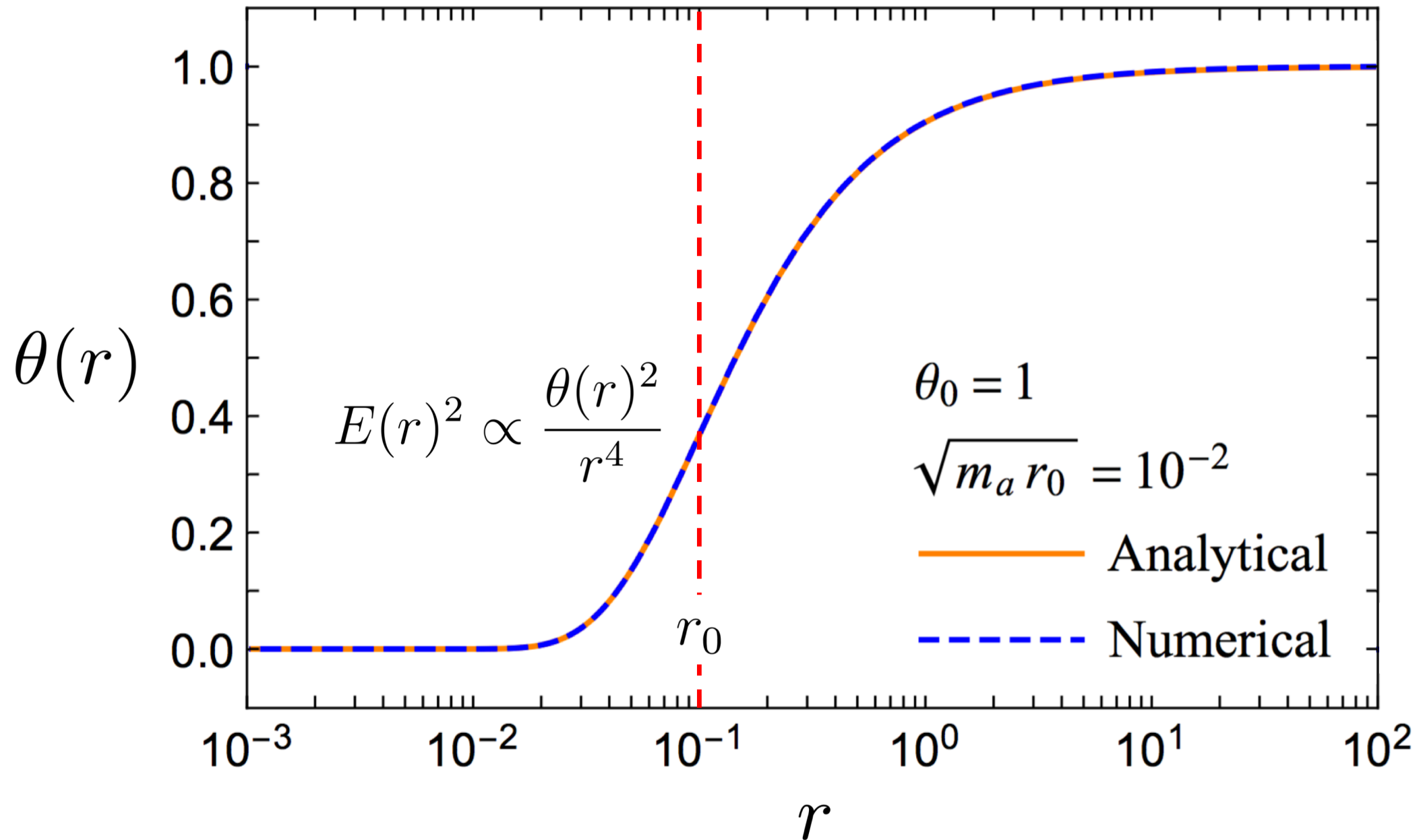
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■ **This differential equation can be solved asymptotically.**

$$\theta(z) \simeq \begin{cases} \theta_+(z) \equiv \theta_0 \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{m_a r_0}}{1 + 2\sqrt{m_a r_0}} \right) e^{-z + \sqrt{m_a r_0}} & \text{for } z > \sqrt{m_a r_0} \\ \theta_-(z) \equiv \theta_0 \left(1 - \frac{z}{1 + 2\sqrt{m_a r_0}} e^{-m_a r_0 / z + \sqrt{m_a r_0}} \right) & \text{for } z < \sqrt{m_a r_0} \end{cases}$$
$$\theta_+(\sqrt{m_a r_0}) = \theta_-(\sqrt{m_a r_0})$$

Axion profile around the monopole



Hidden monopole-nucleon scattering

■ Axion-nucleon interaction (Yukawa coupling)

$$H_{a-N} = \frac{C_N m_N}{f_a} \int d^3x \left[a(x) \bar{\psi}_N(x) i \gamma^5 \psi_N(x) \right]$$

■ Amplitude of the hidden monopole-nucleon scattering

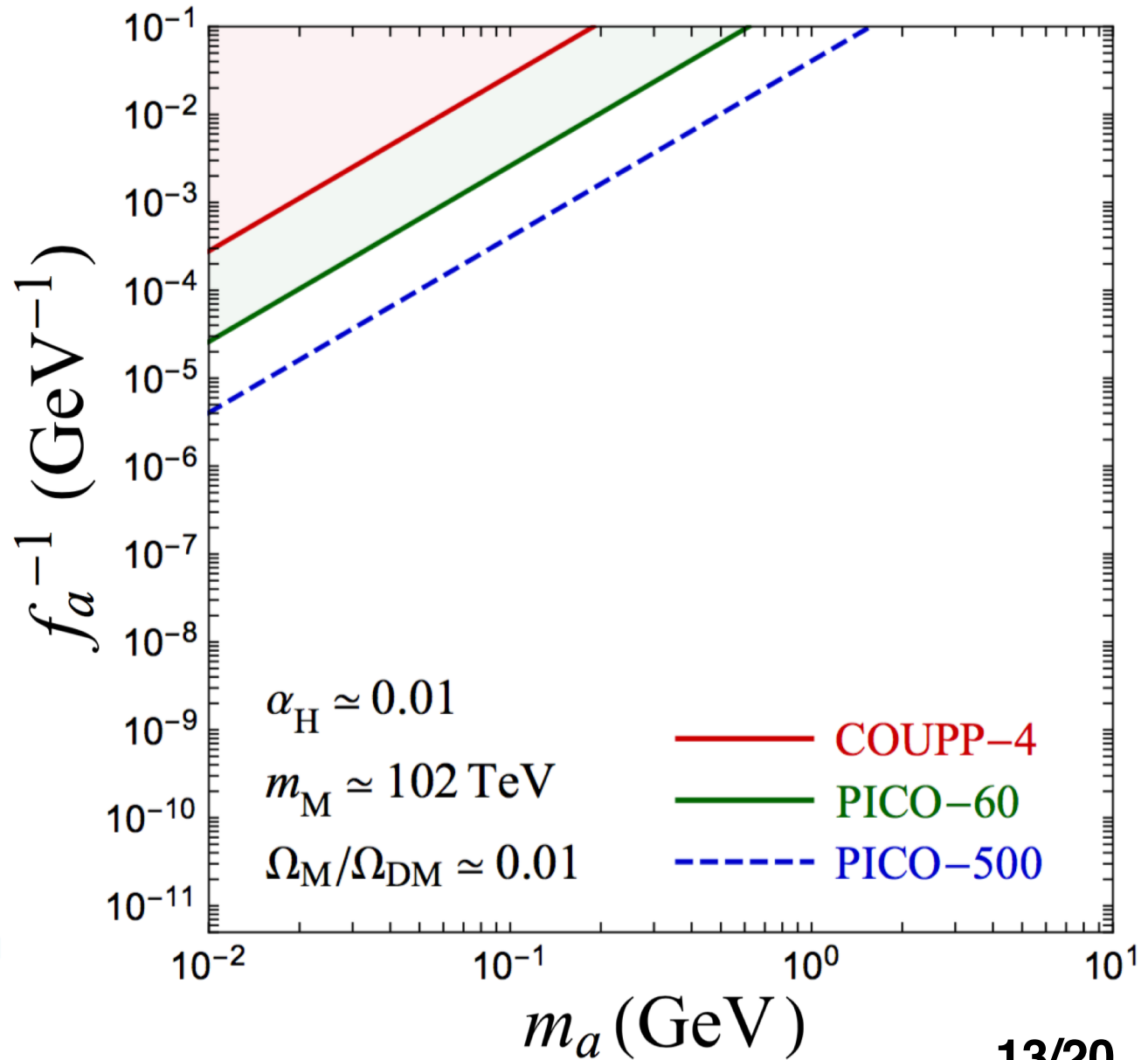
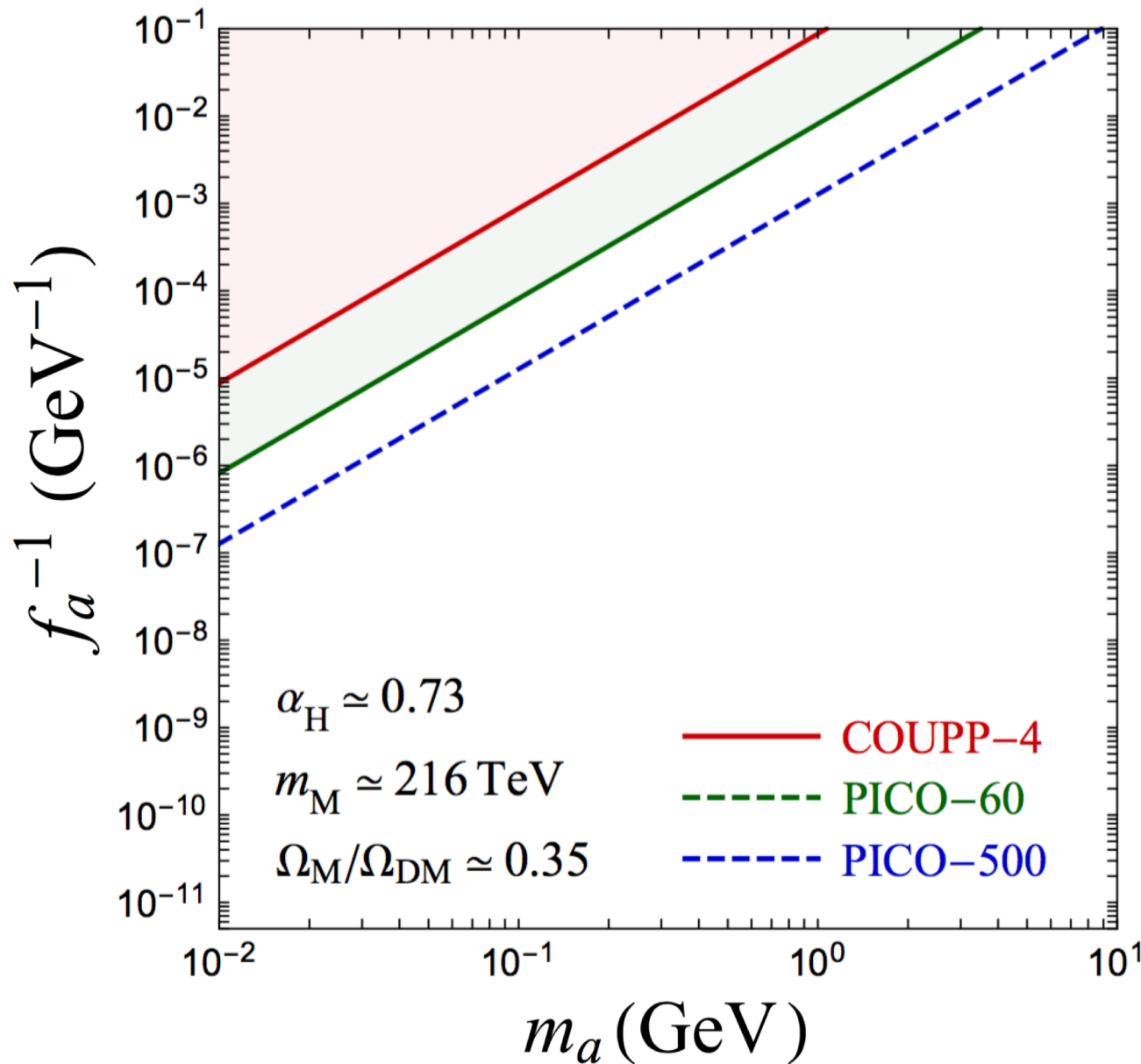
$$i\mathcal{M}_{M+N \rightarrow M+N} = C_N m_N \bar{u}_N(p') \gamma^5 u_N(p) \int d^3x \theta(\mathbf{x}) e^{-i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x}}$$

Axion profile

■ Spin-dependent cross-section

$$\frac{d\sigma_{M+N \rightarrow M+N}}{d\Omega} \simeq \frac{\alpha_H \theta_0^2 C_N^2}{16\pi^3} \frac{m_N^2}{m_a^4 f_a^2} |\mathbf{q}|^2 \quad \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p}$$

Direct search exps. : m_a vs f_a^{-1}



Axion decay channels

■ Hidden photon decay channel

- In our model, the axion can decay into the hidden photons

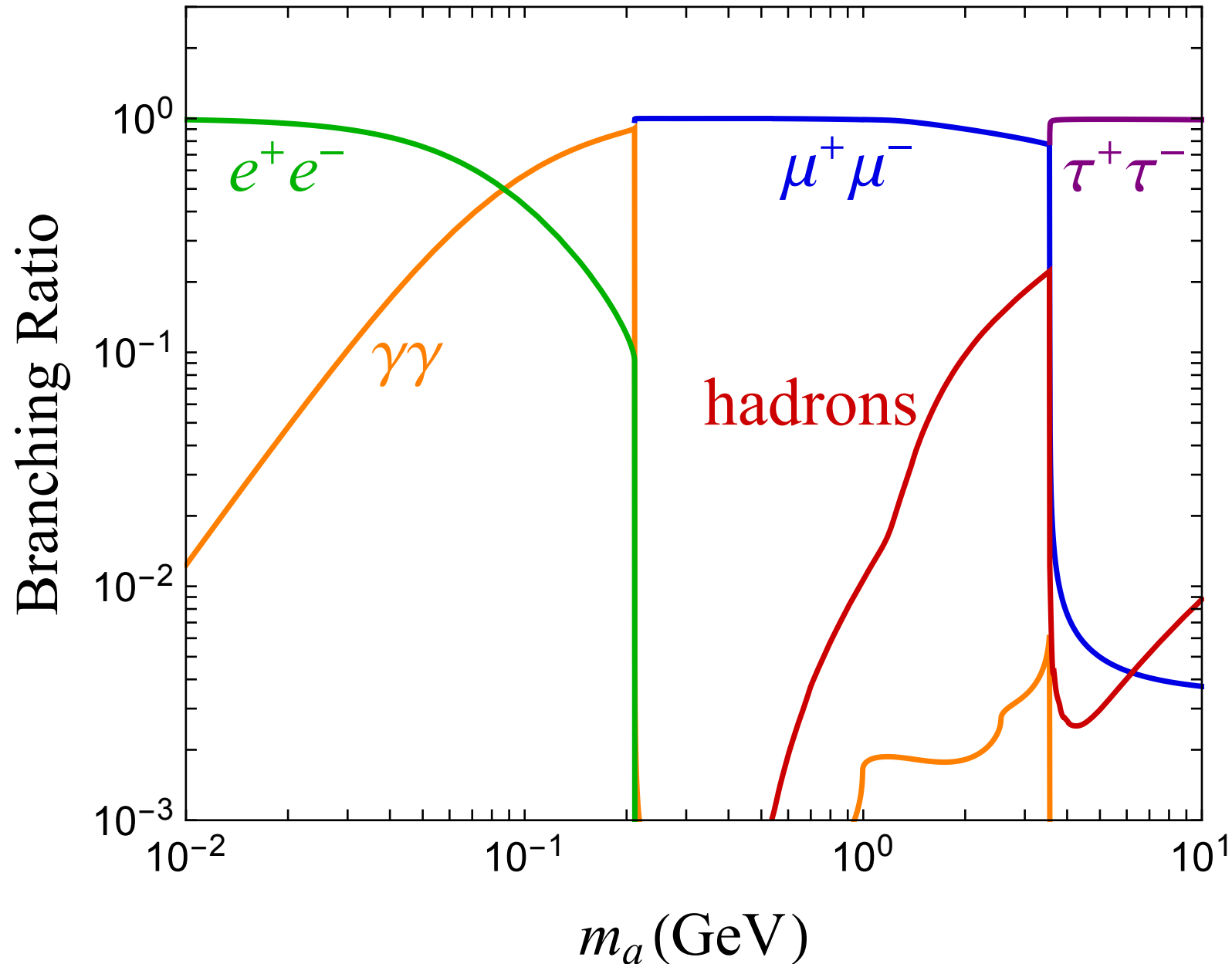
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\alpha_H}{8\pi} \frac{a}{f_H} F_H^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{H\mu\nu} \longrightarrow \Gamma(a \rightarrow \gamma_H \gamma_H) = \frac{\alpha_H^2 m_a^3}{256\pi^3 f_H^2}$$

■ Fermion & photon decay channels

- We assume **Yukawa-like coupling** for the axion

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_f \frac{m_f}{f_a} a \bar{f} i \gamma^5 f \longrightarrow \begin{aligned} \Gamma(a \rightarrow f^+ f^-) &= \frac{m_a m_f^2}{8\pi f_a^2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_f^2}{m_a^2}} \\ \Gamma(a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) &\simeq \frac{\alpha^2 m_a^3}{256\pi^3 f_a^2} \end{aligned}$$

Axion decay channels without γ_H

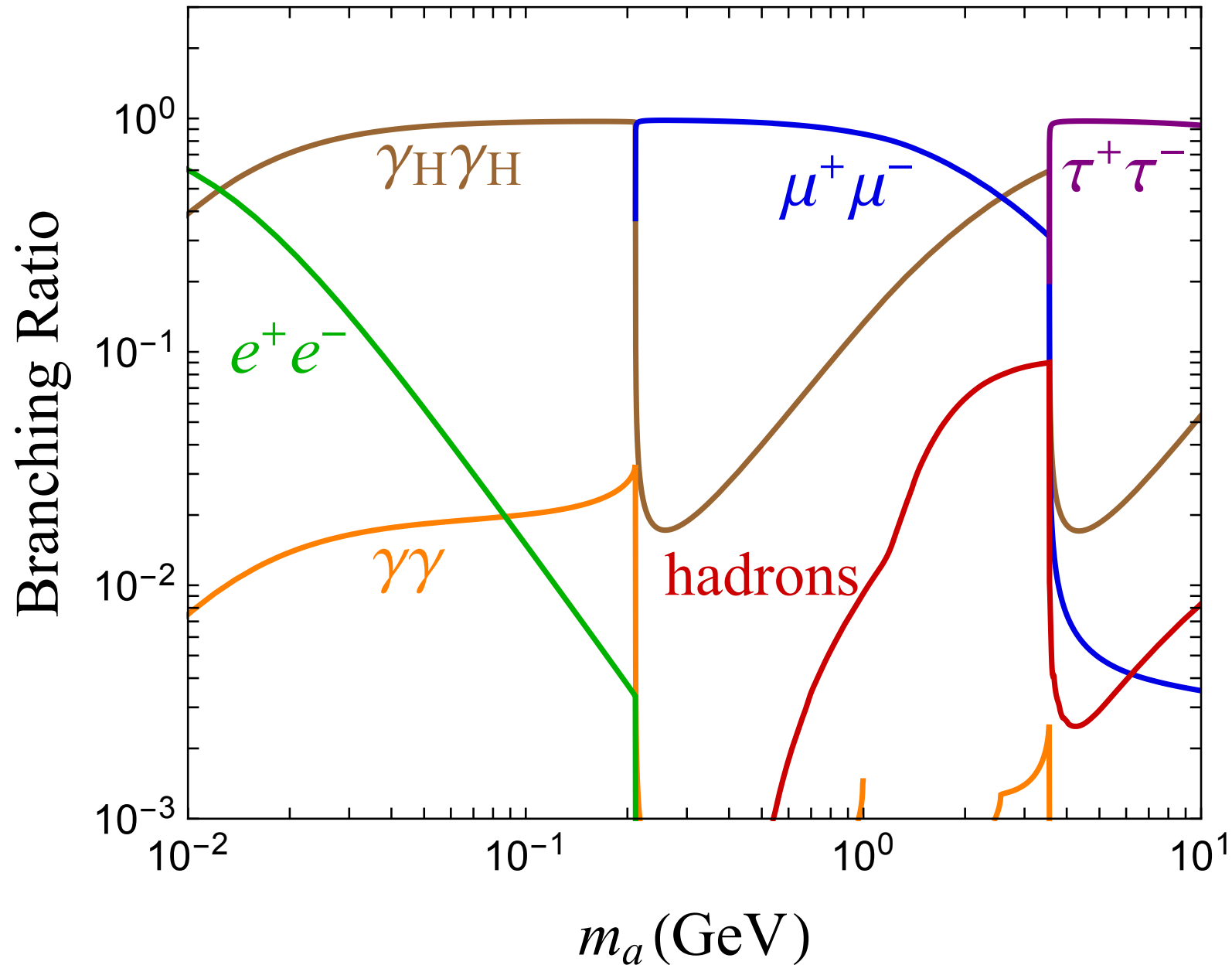


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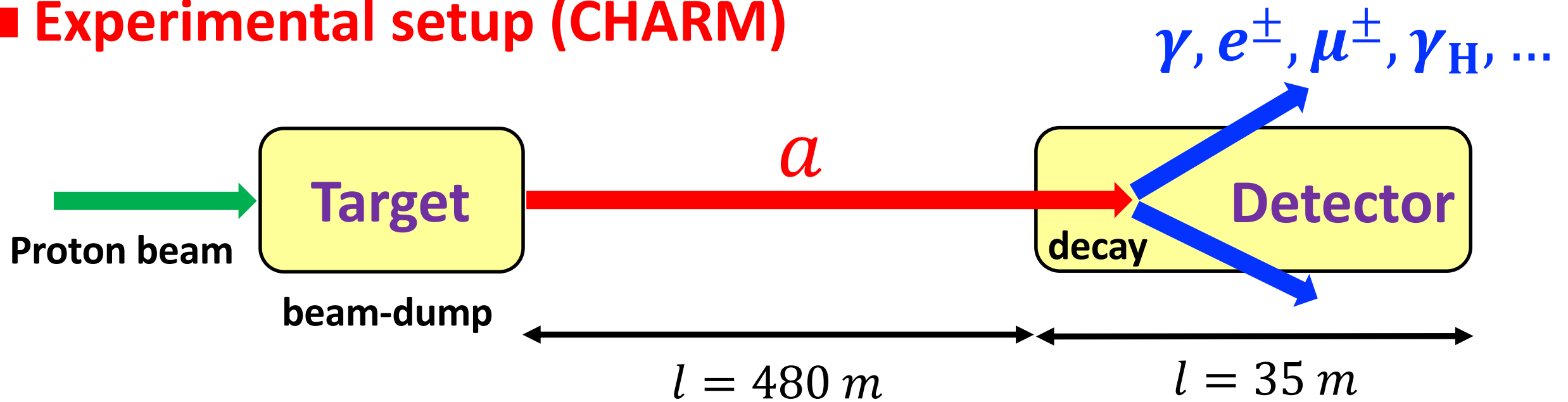
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Beam-dump experiments

■ Experimental setup (CHARM)

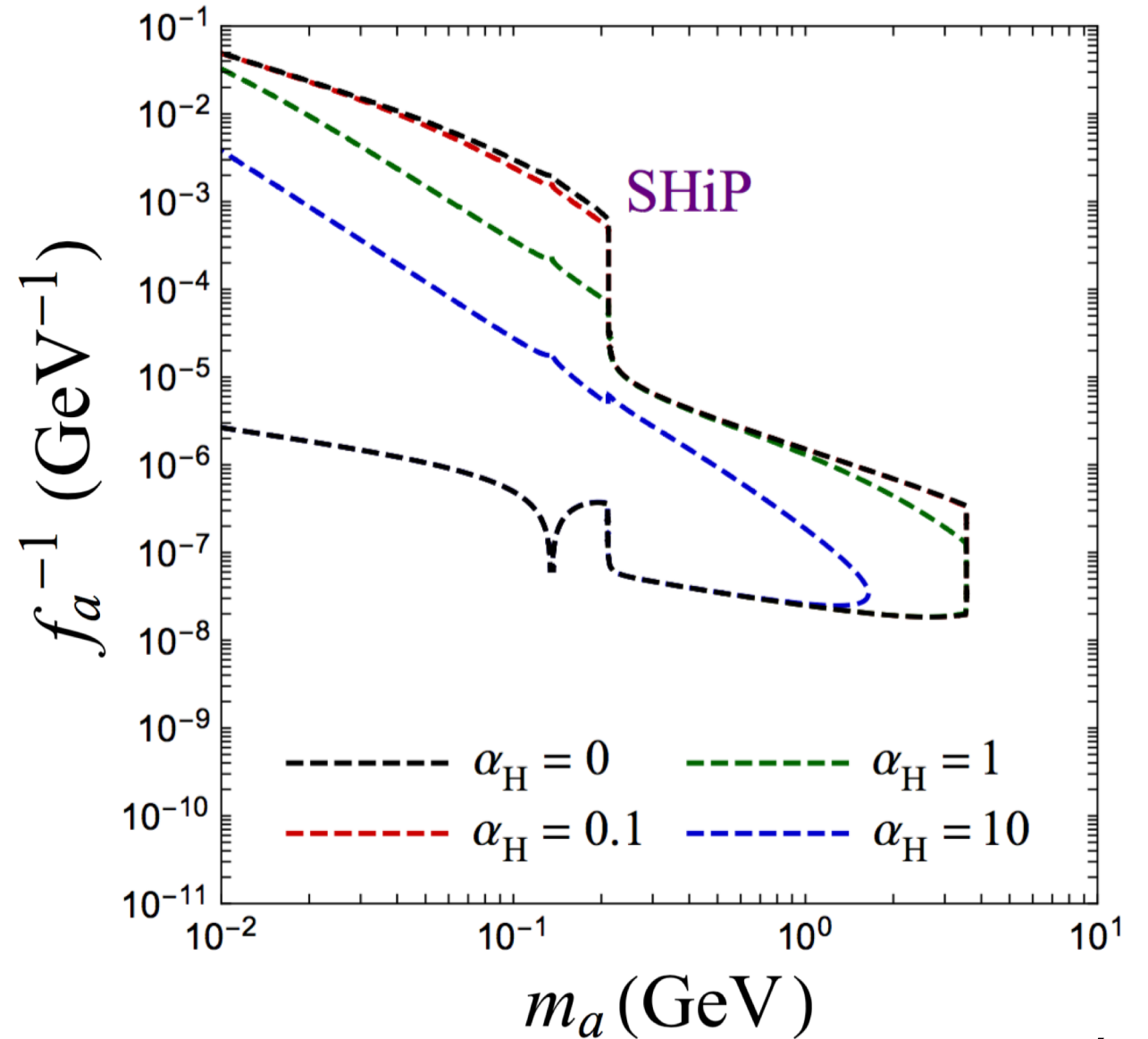
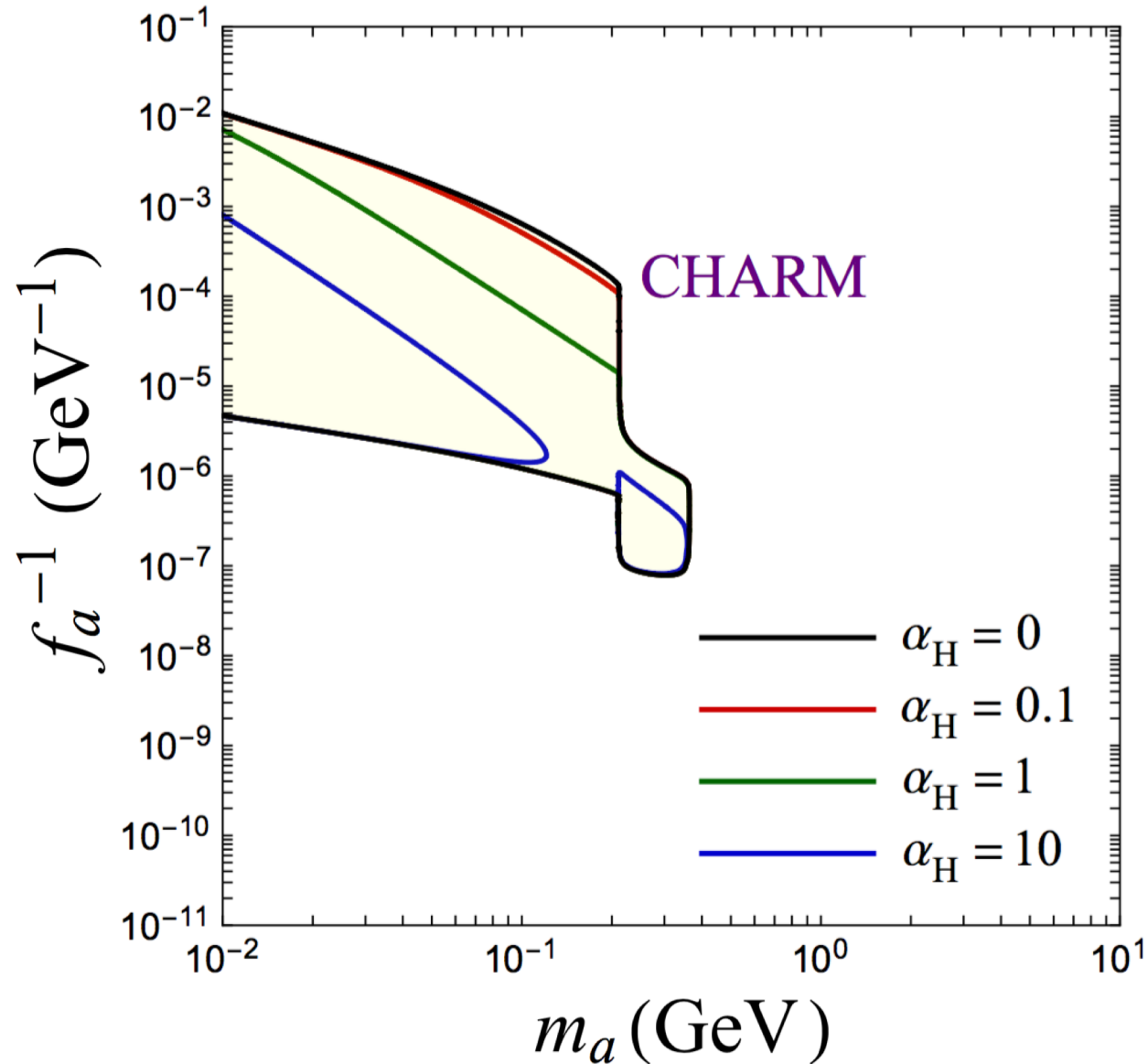


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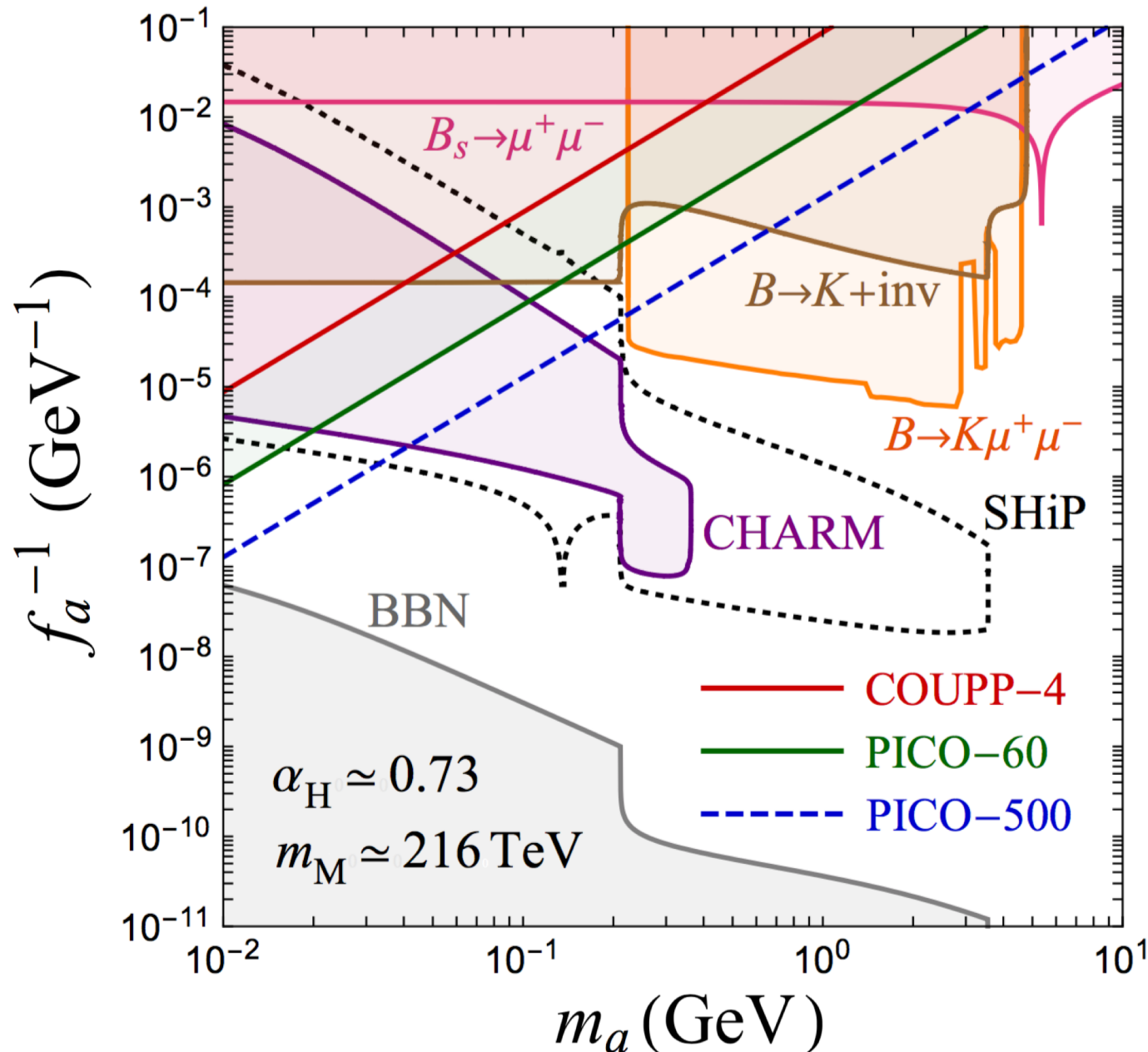
$$N_{\text{det}} \approx N_a \exp\left(-\frac{480 \text{ m}}{\gamma_a \beta_a c \tau_a}\right) \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{35 \text{ m}}{\gamma_a \beta_a c \tau_a}\right)\right] \sum_{X=e, \mu, \gamma} \mathcal{B}(a \rightarrow X \bar{X}) < 2.3$$

$$\gamma_a = (1 - \beta_a^2)^{-1/2} \approx 10 \text{ GeV}/m_a \quad \tau_a = \frac{1}{\Gamma_a} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a \rightarrow \gamma_H \gamma_H) + \Gamma(a \rightarrow \text{vis})}$$

Beam-dump exps. : m_a vs f_a^{-1}



Combined result : m_a vs f_a^{-1}



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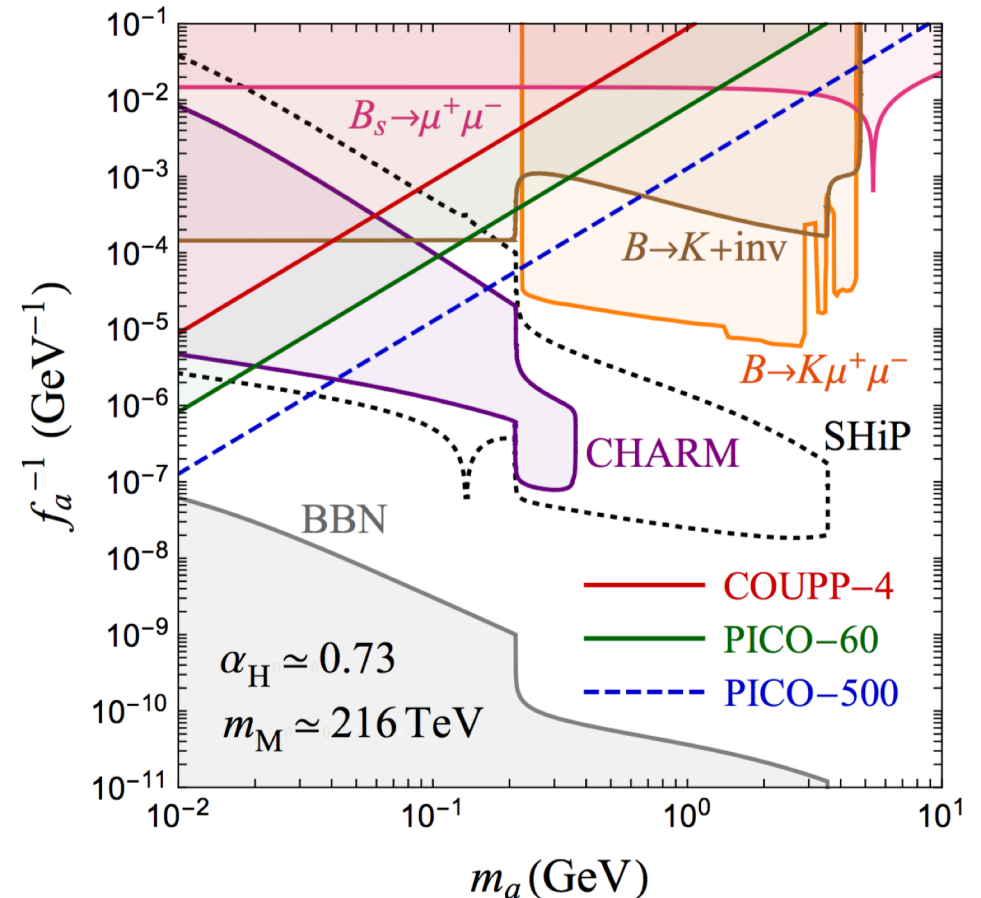
$$m_a = \mathcal{O}(100) \text{ MeV}$$

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Summary

- We have studied the hidden monopole DM via the axion portal.
- We have computed the spin-dependent cross-section of the hidden monopole DM scattering off a nucleon and compare it to the direct search experiments.
- We have found two parameter regions where both the hidden monopole DM and the axion are within the reach of the direct search experiments & beam-dump experiments.



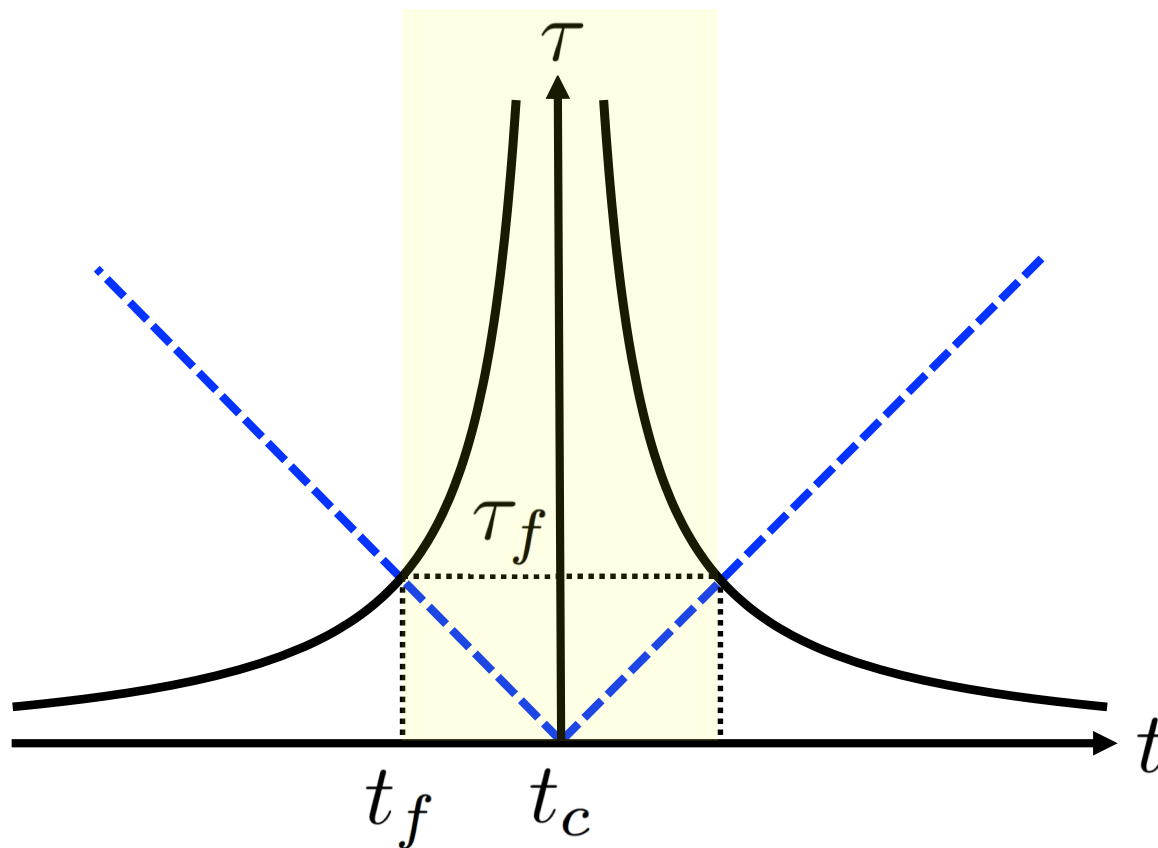
Back up

Kibble-Zurek mechanism

■ Second-order phase transition

$$\zeta = \zeta_0 |\epsilon|^{-\nu}, \quad \tau = \tau_0 |\epsilon|^{-\mu}, \quad \epsilon \equiv \frac{T - T_c}{T_c}$$

Correlation length Relaxation time



Frozen : $t_f - t_c = \tau_f$

$$|\epsilon_f| = [\tau_0 H(t_c)]^{1/(1+\mu)}$$

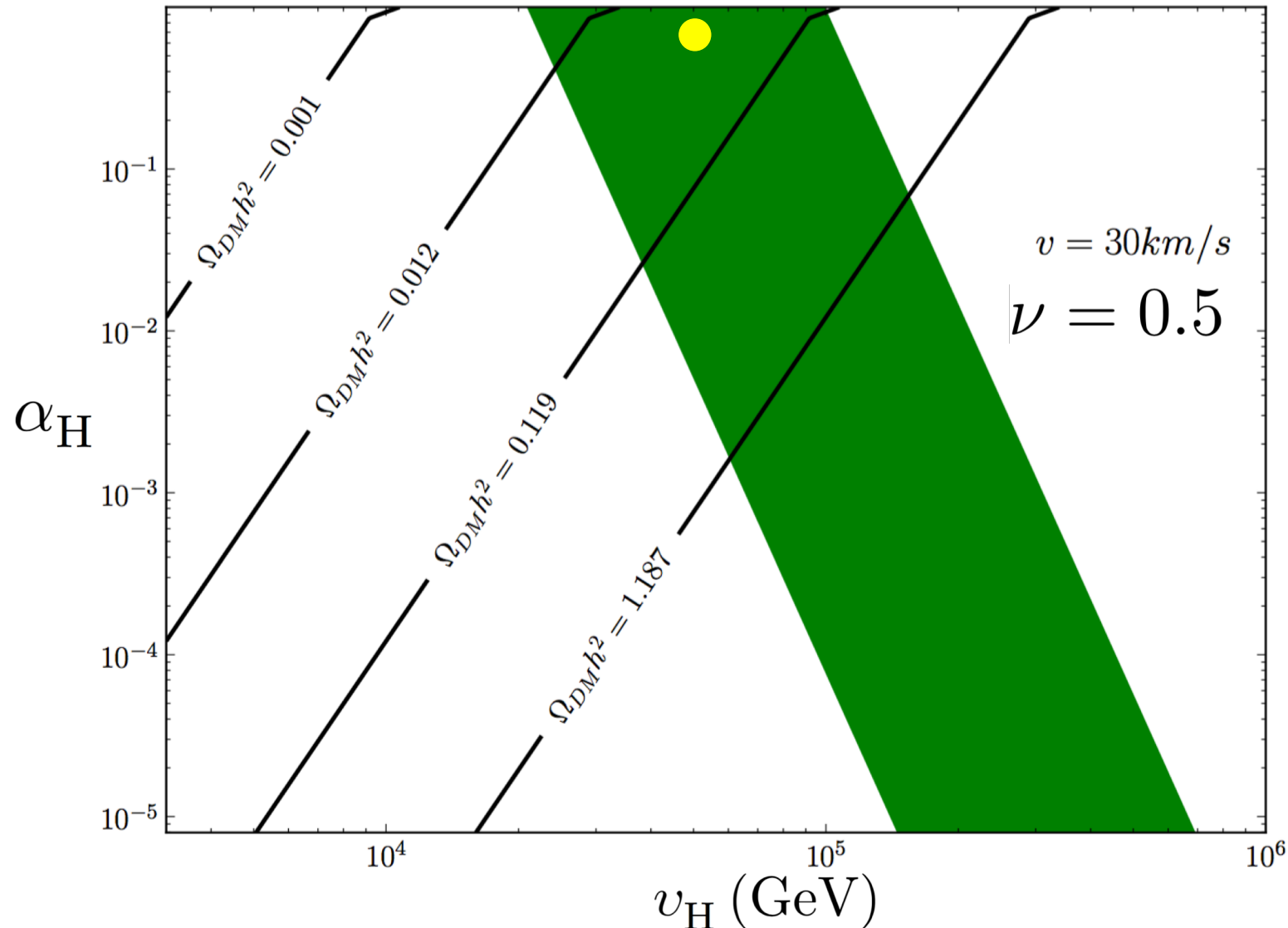
$$\zeta_f = \zeta_0 [\tau_0 H(t_c)]^{-\nu/(1+\mu)}$$

$$n_M \simeq \zeta_f^{-3}$$

Benchmark point

■ Self-interacting DM : Hidden monopole

Khoze & Ro 2014



Green region

$$0.1 \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{g}} < \frac{\sigma_T}{m_{\text{DM}}} < 10 \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{g}}$$

$$v_{\text{DM}} \simeq 30 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}}$$

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