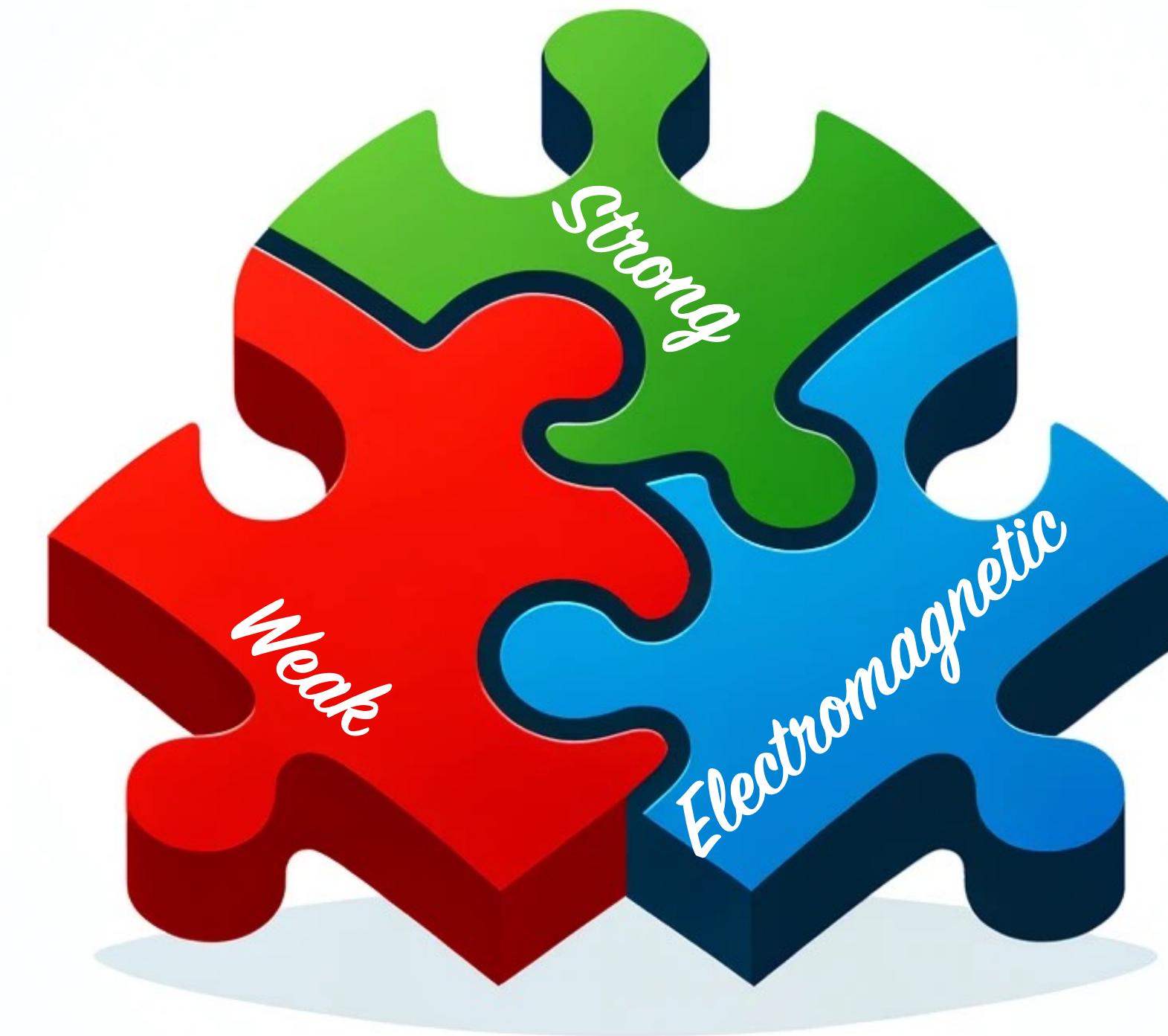


# Phenomenological tests of supersymmetric SO(10) grand unified theories



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**SUSY SO(10)**

2308.05799 **BF, King, Marsili, Pascoli, Turner, Zhou**

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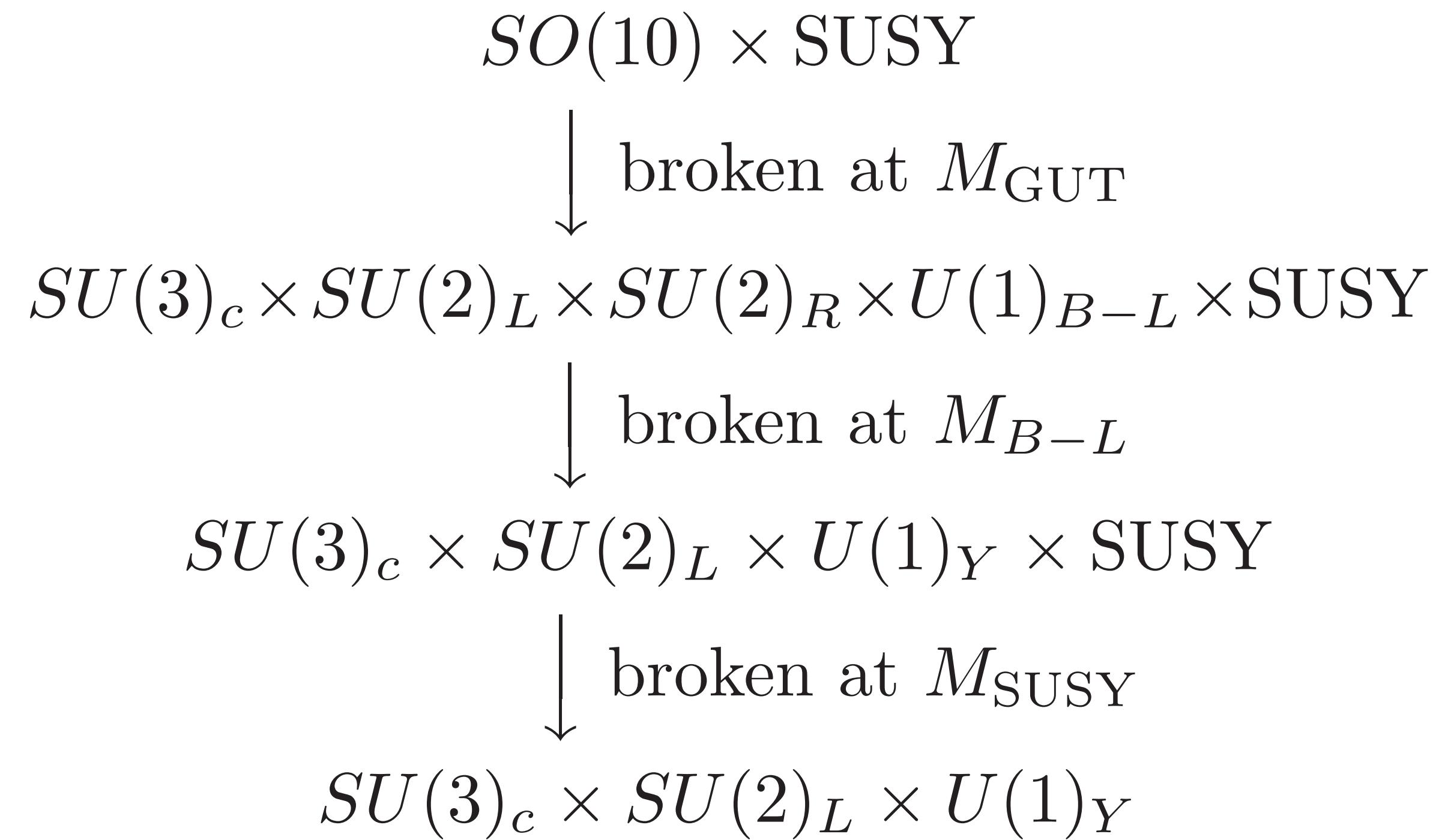
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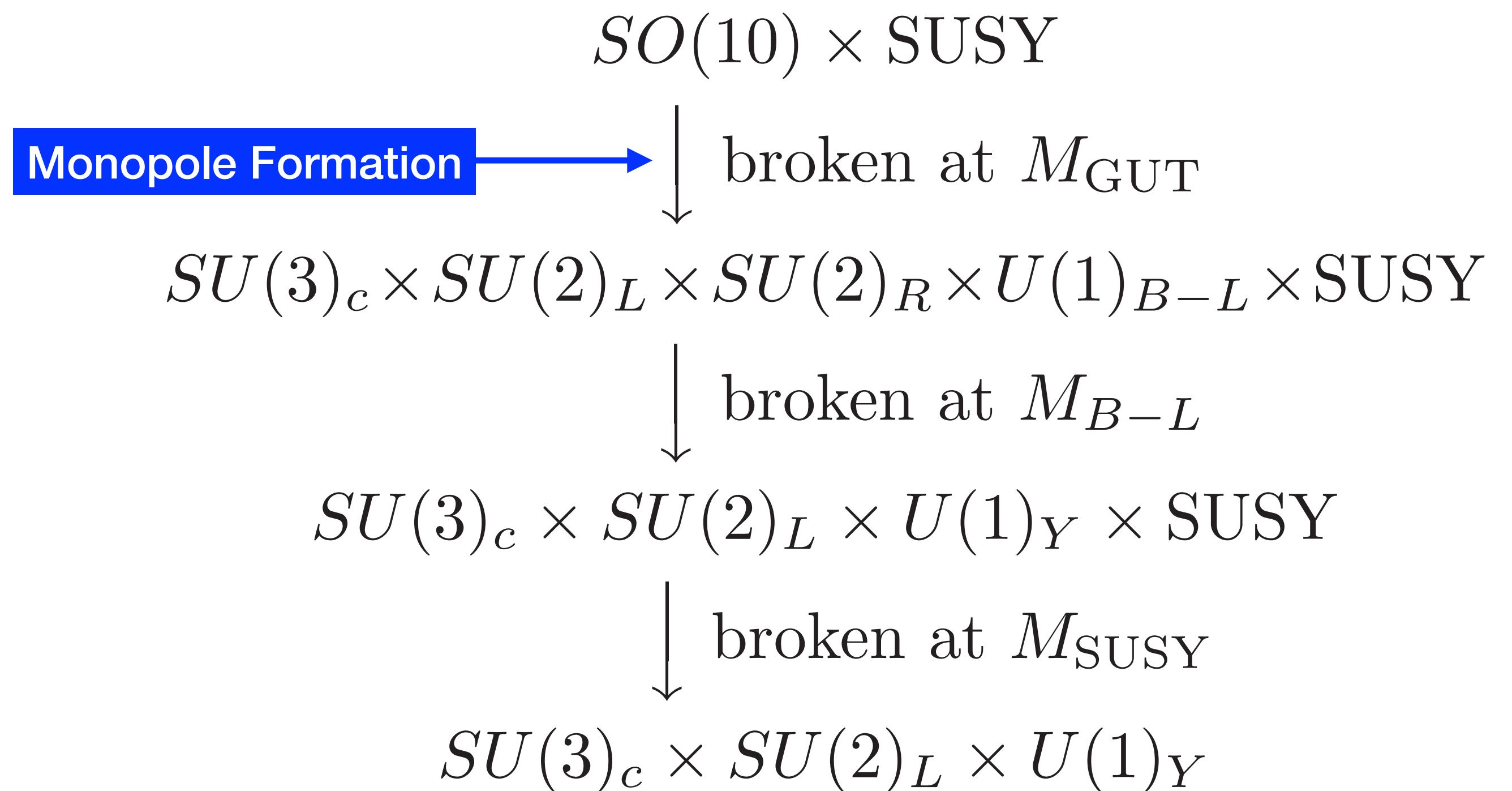
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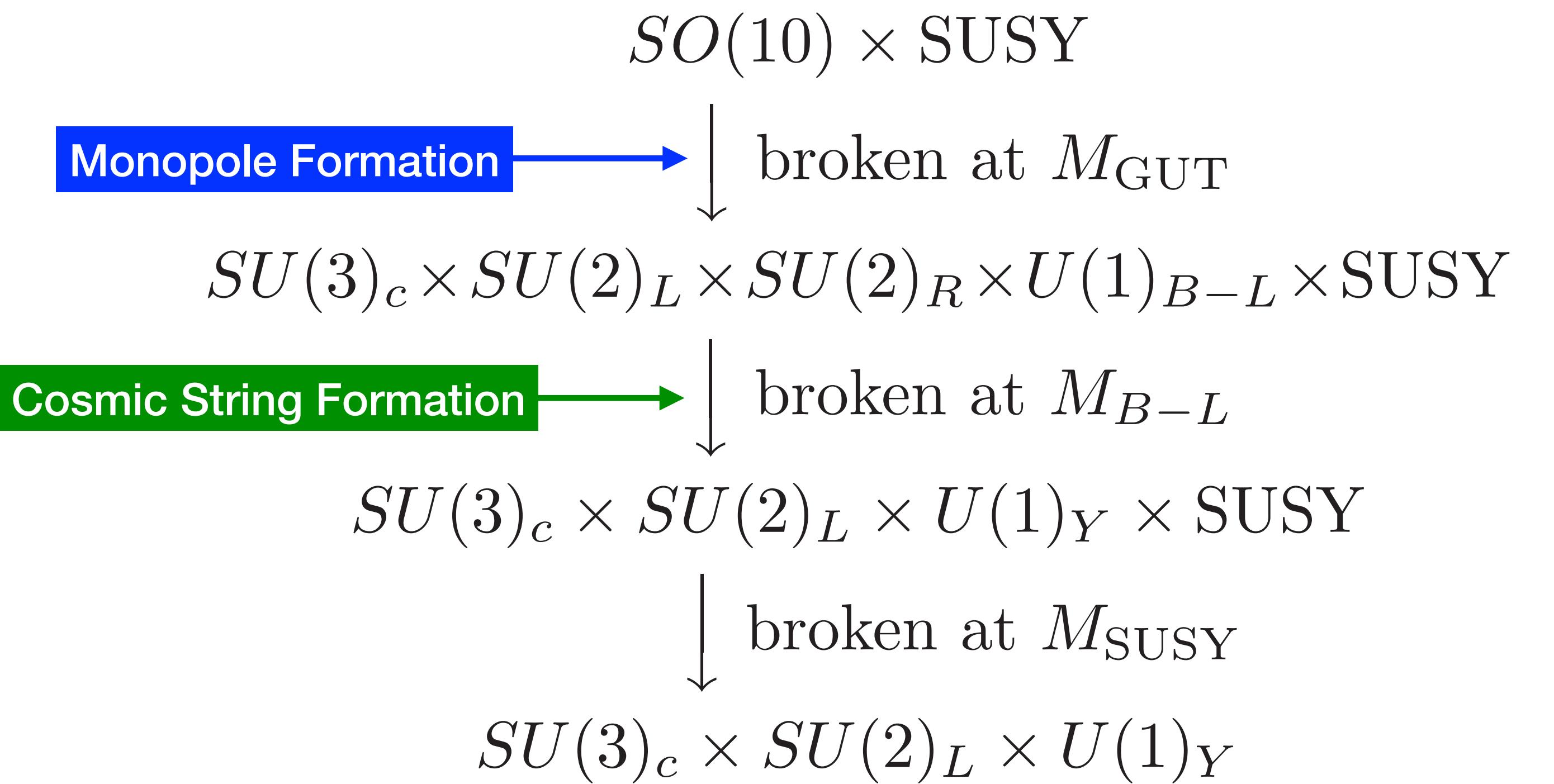
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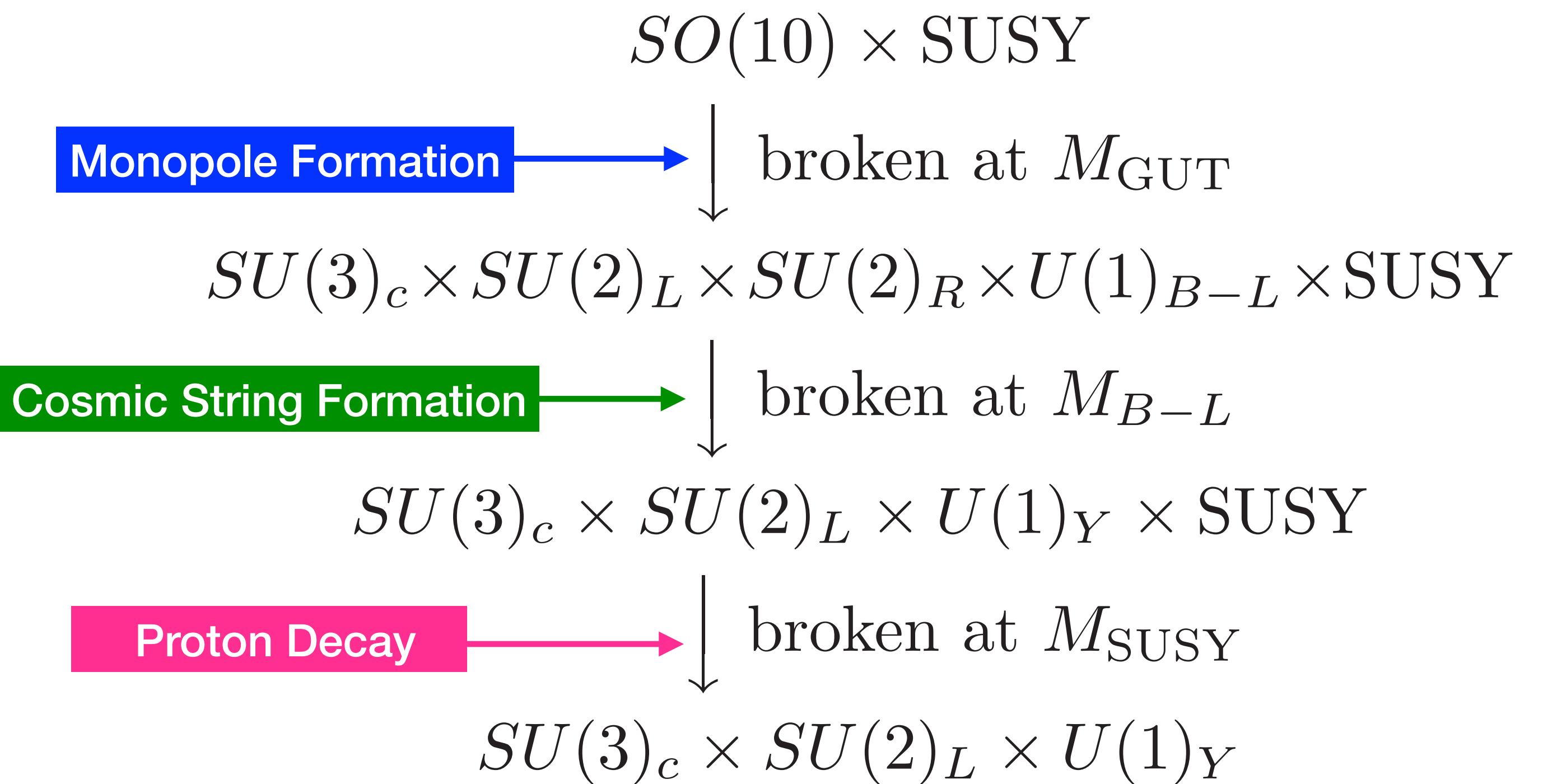
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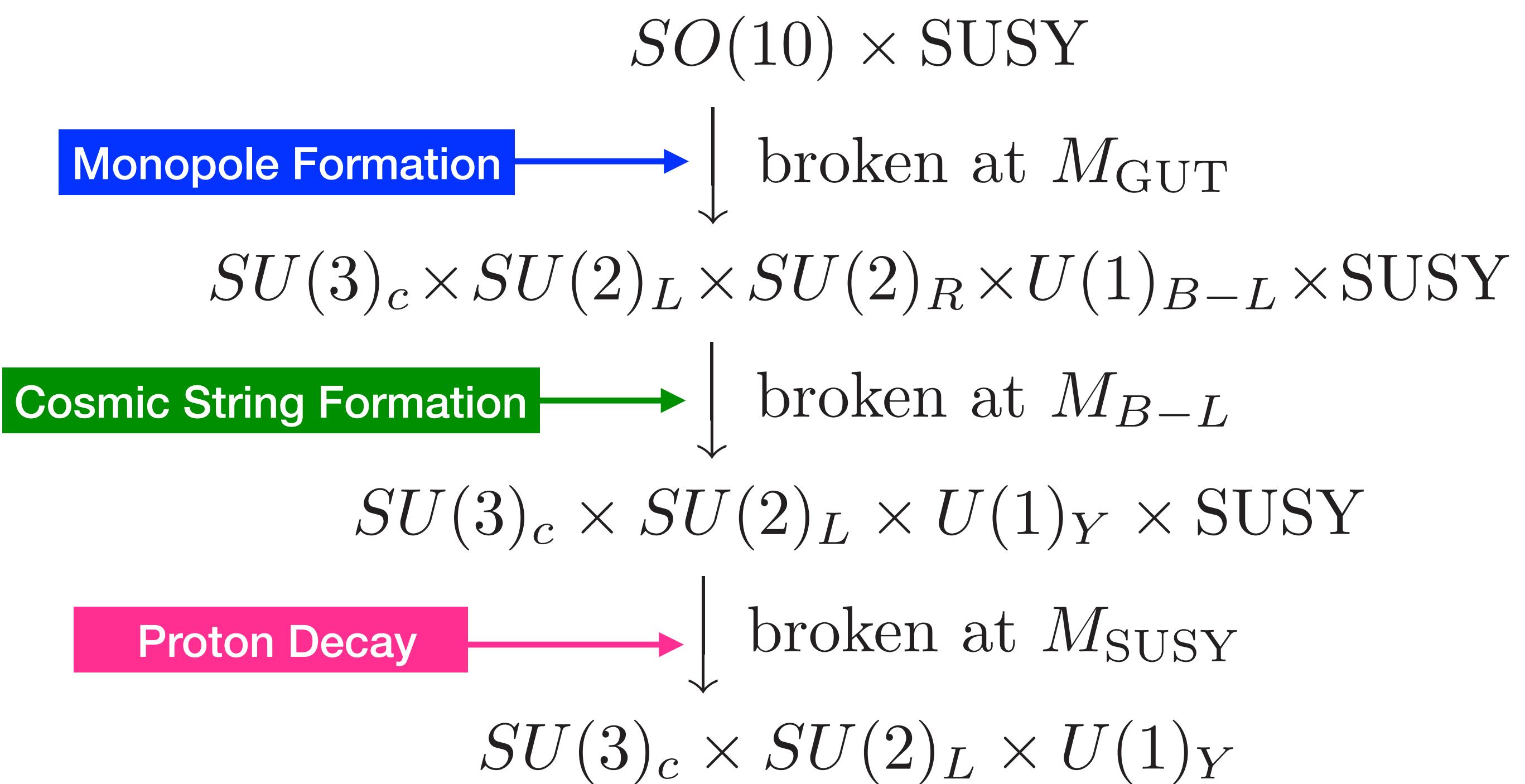
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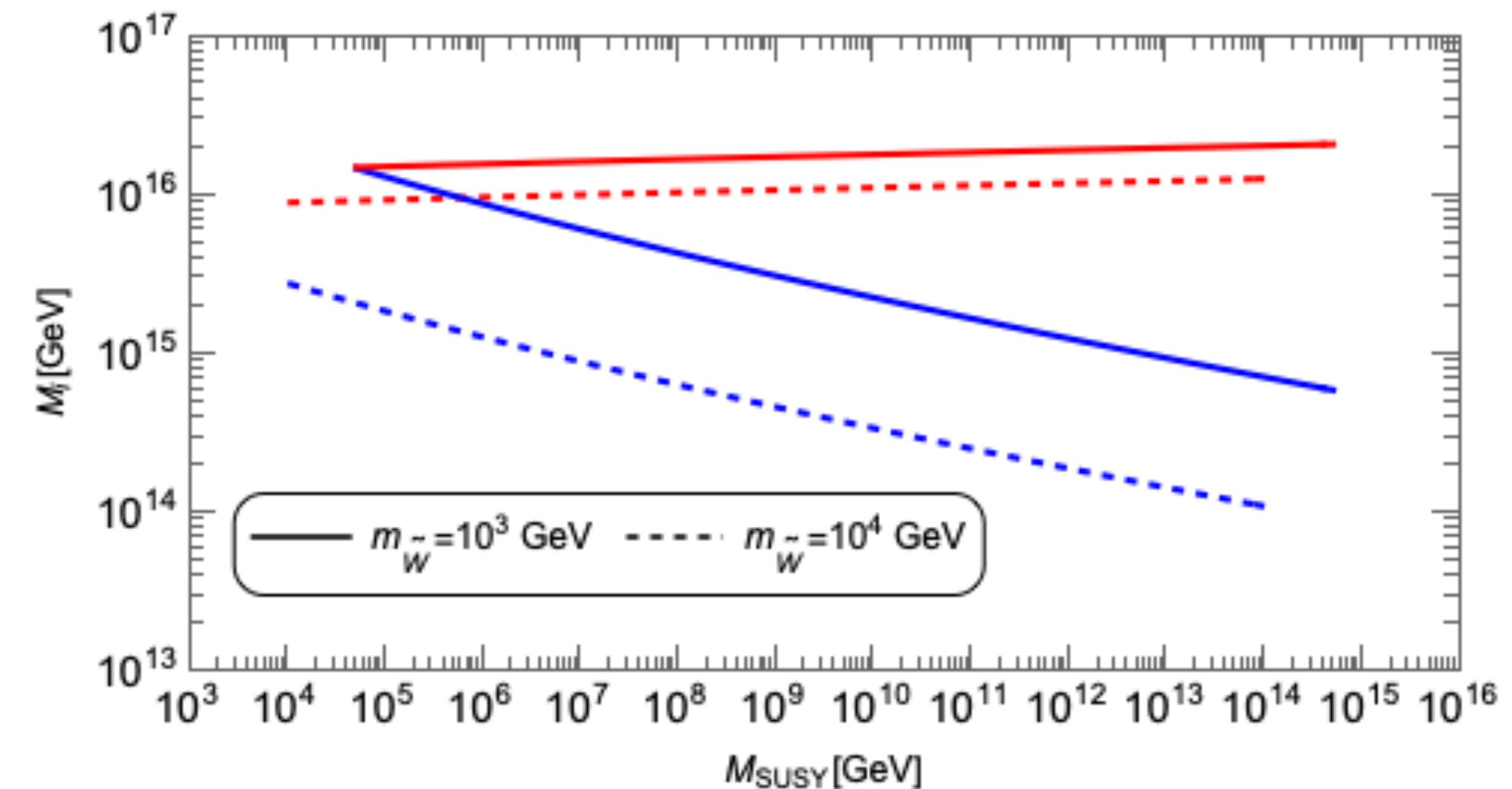
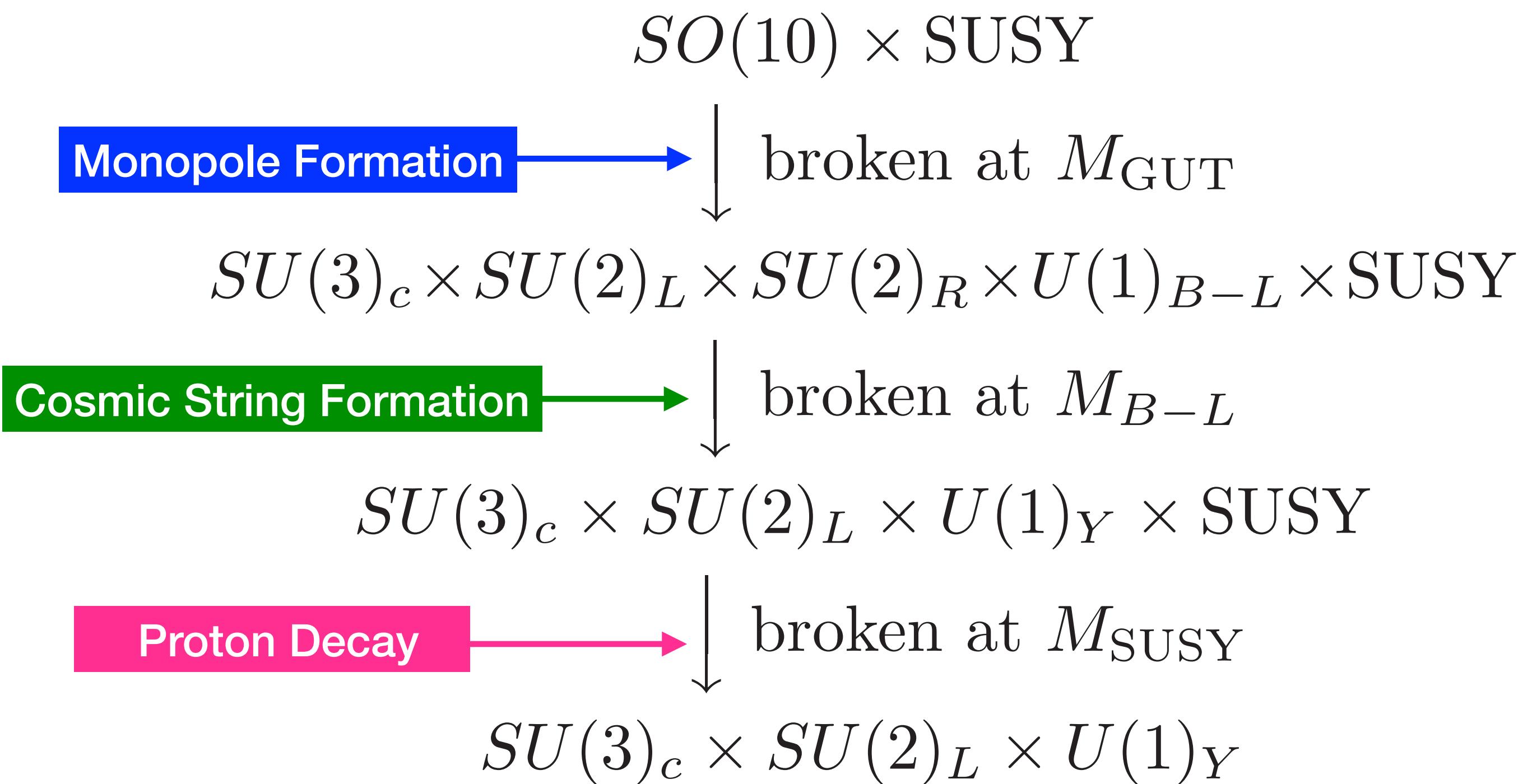
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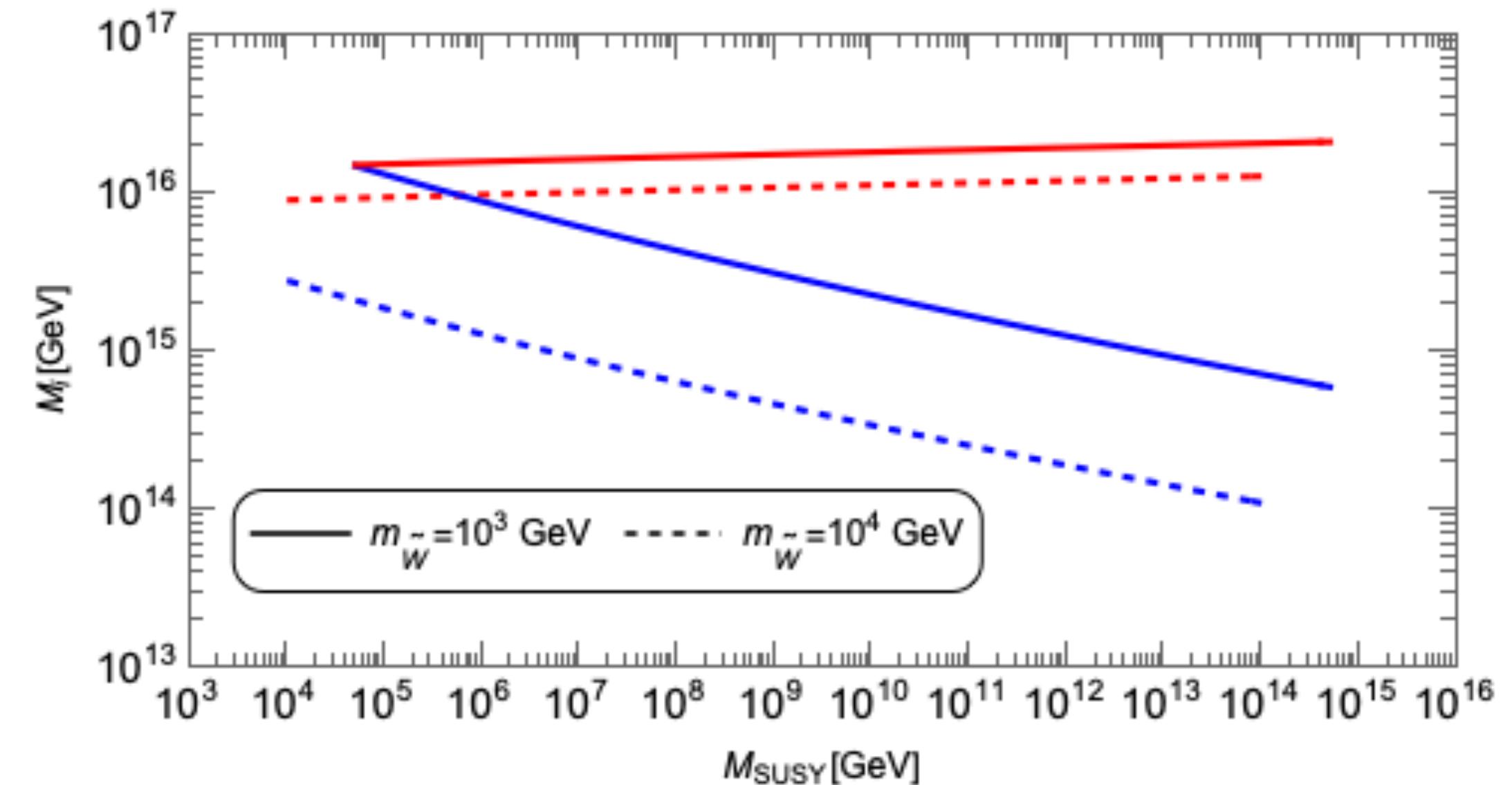
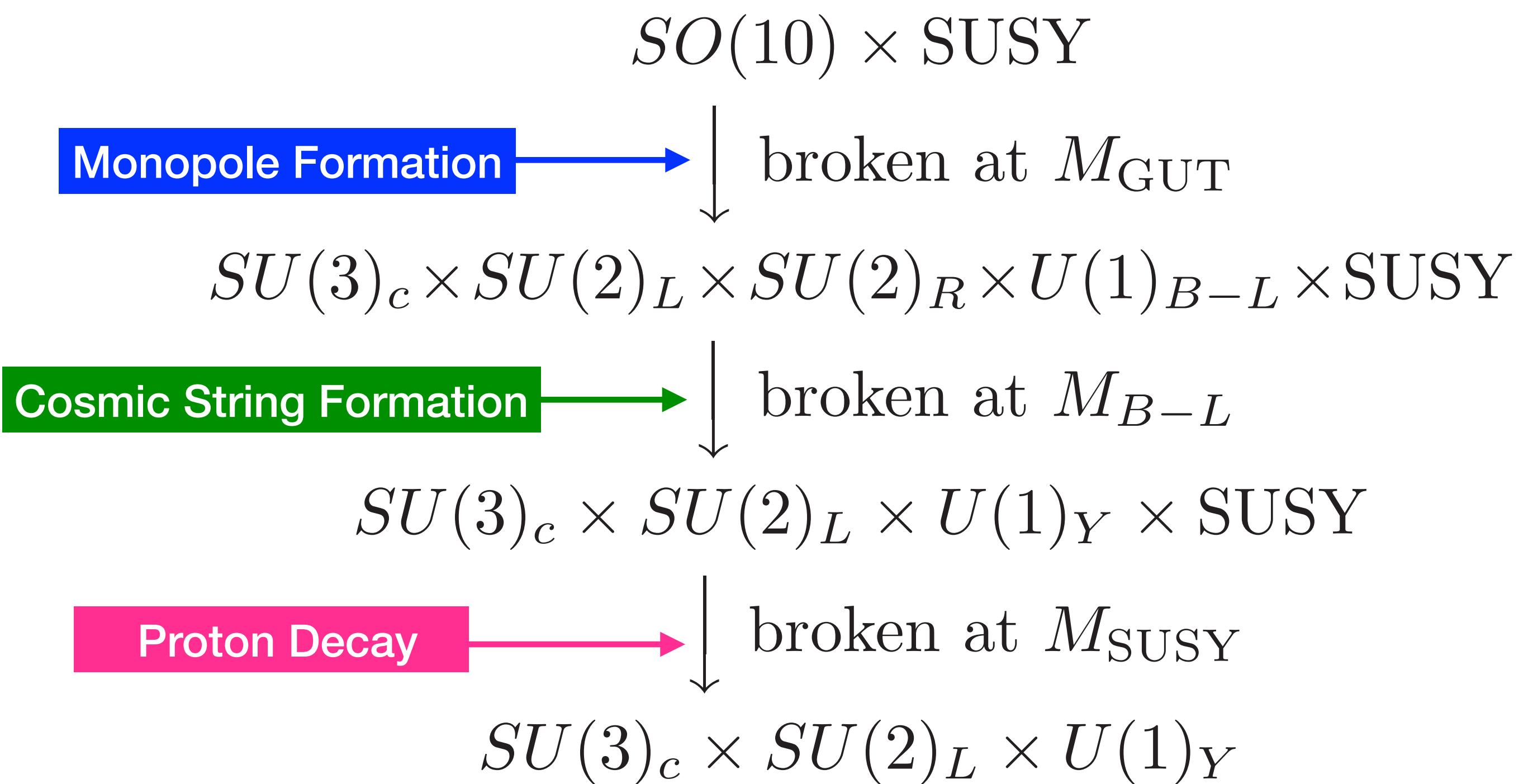
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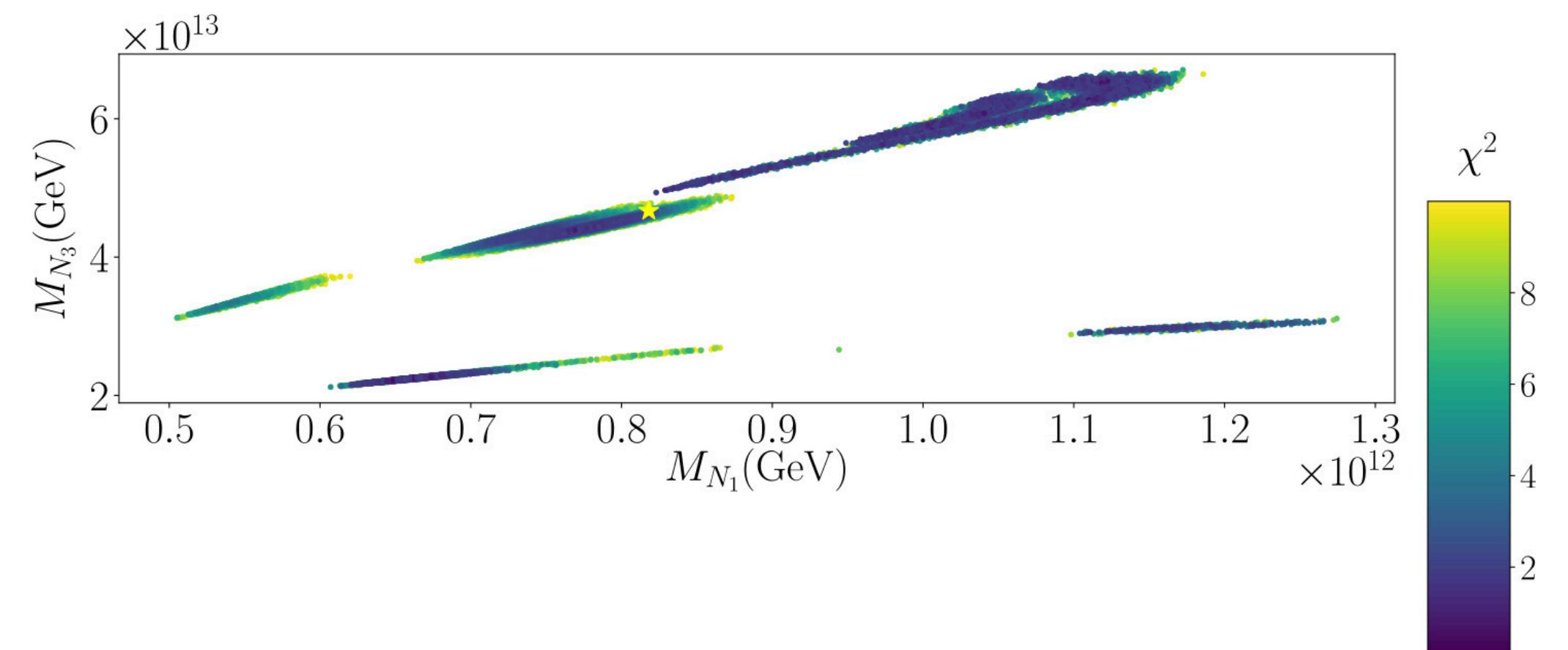
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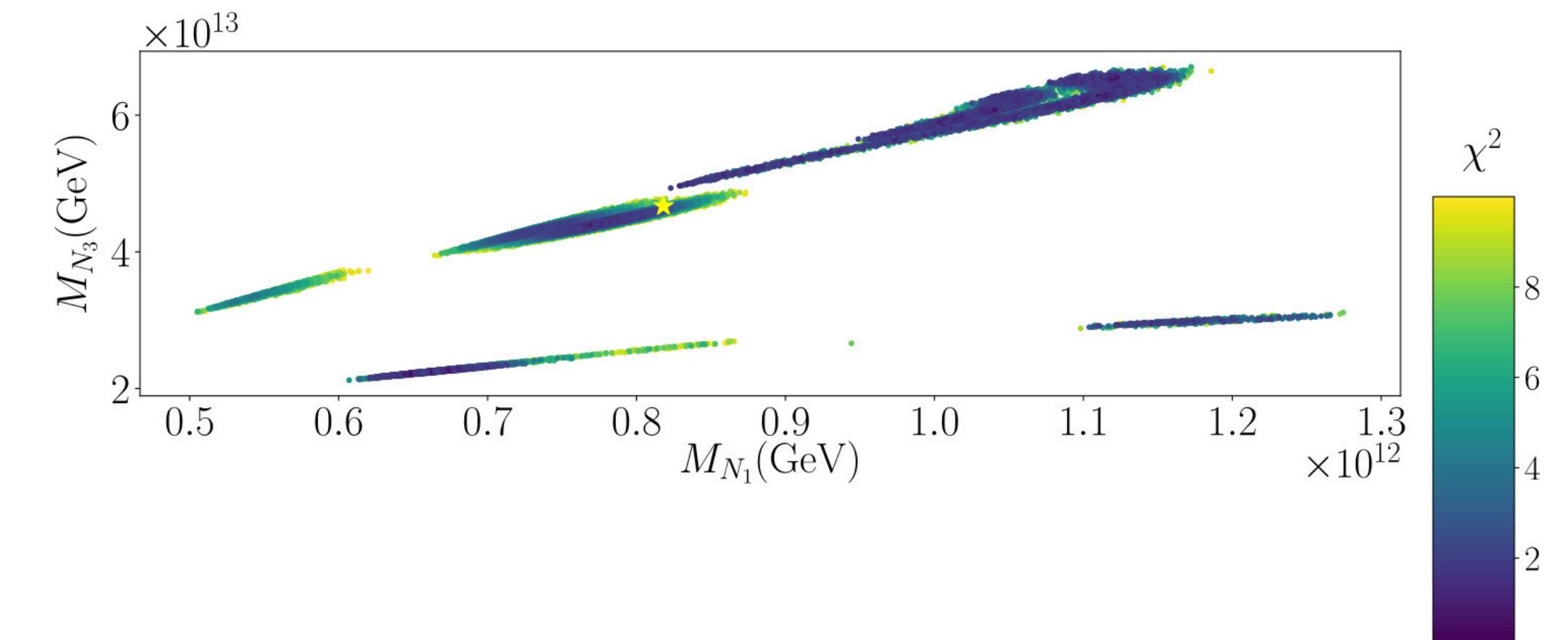
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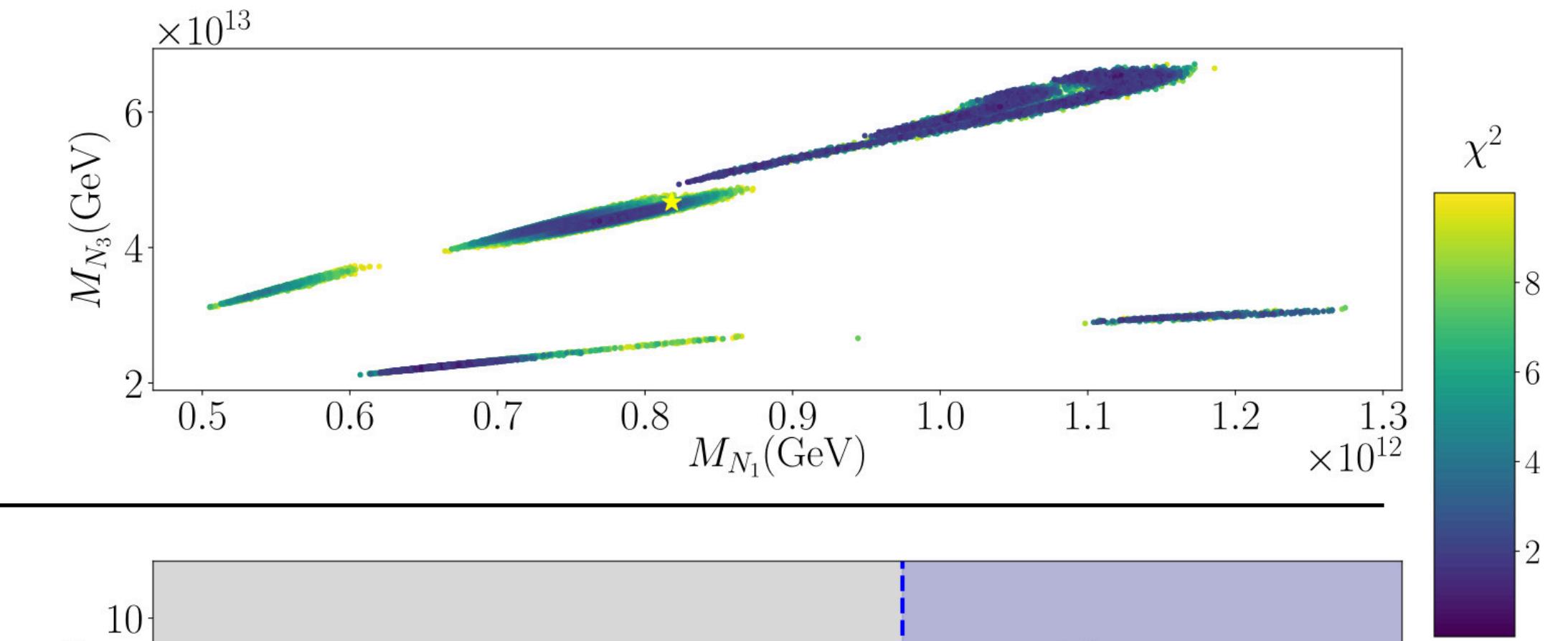
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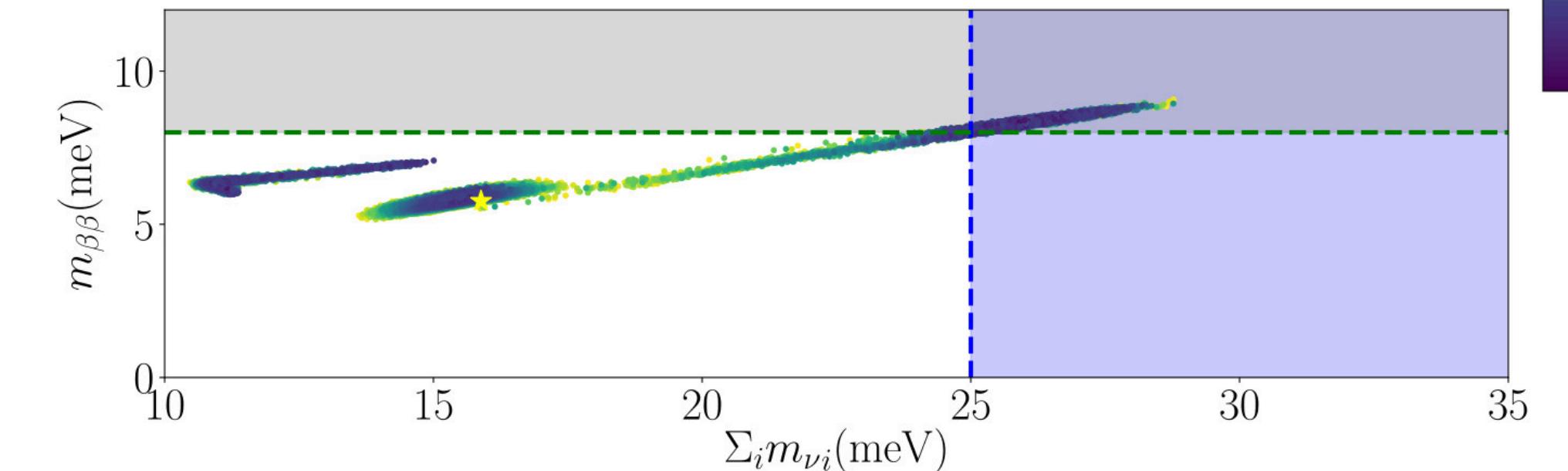
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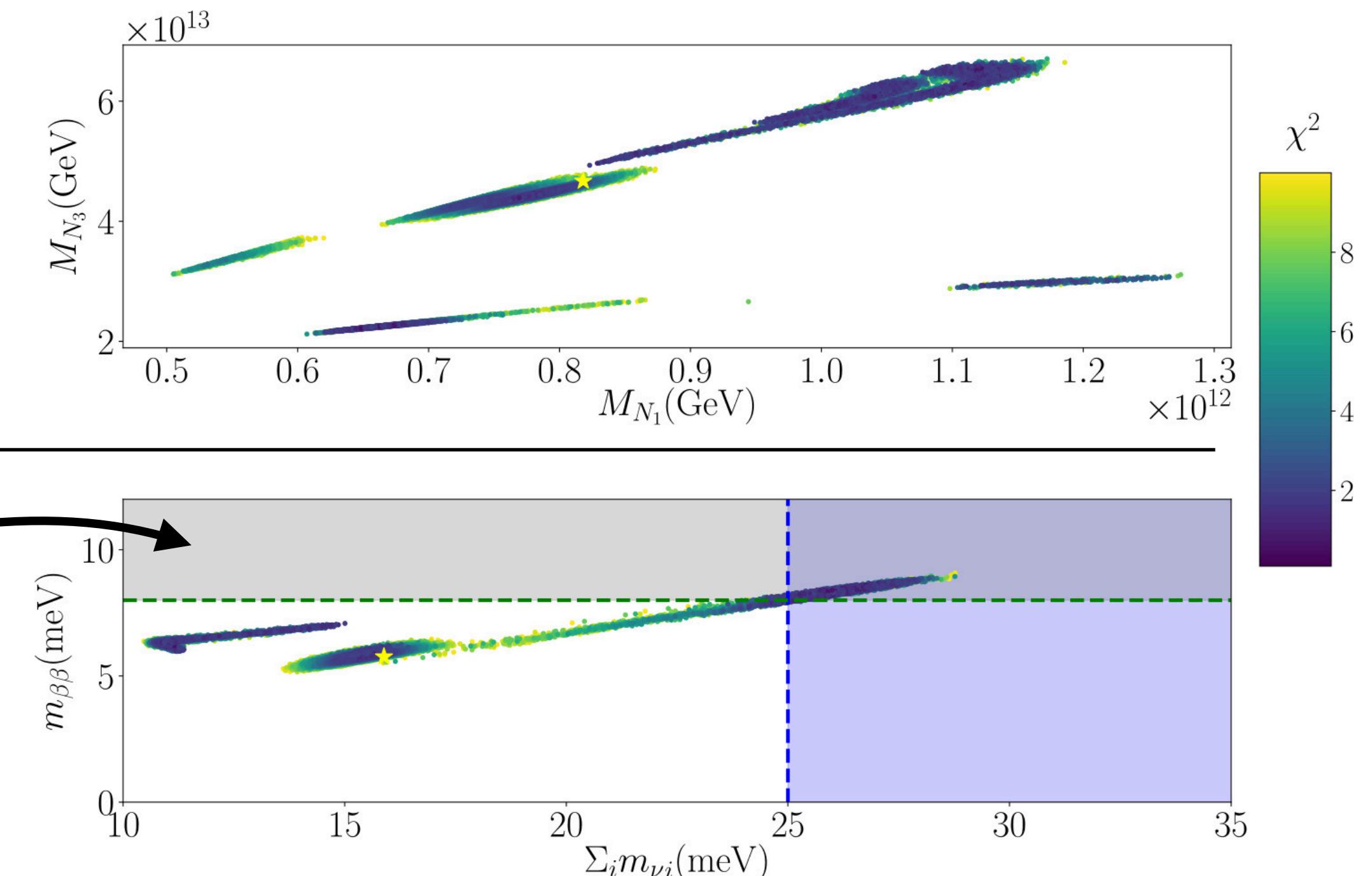
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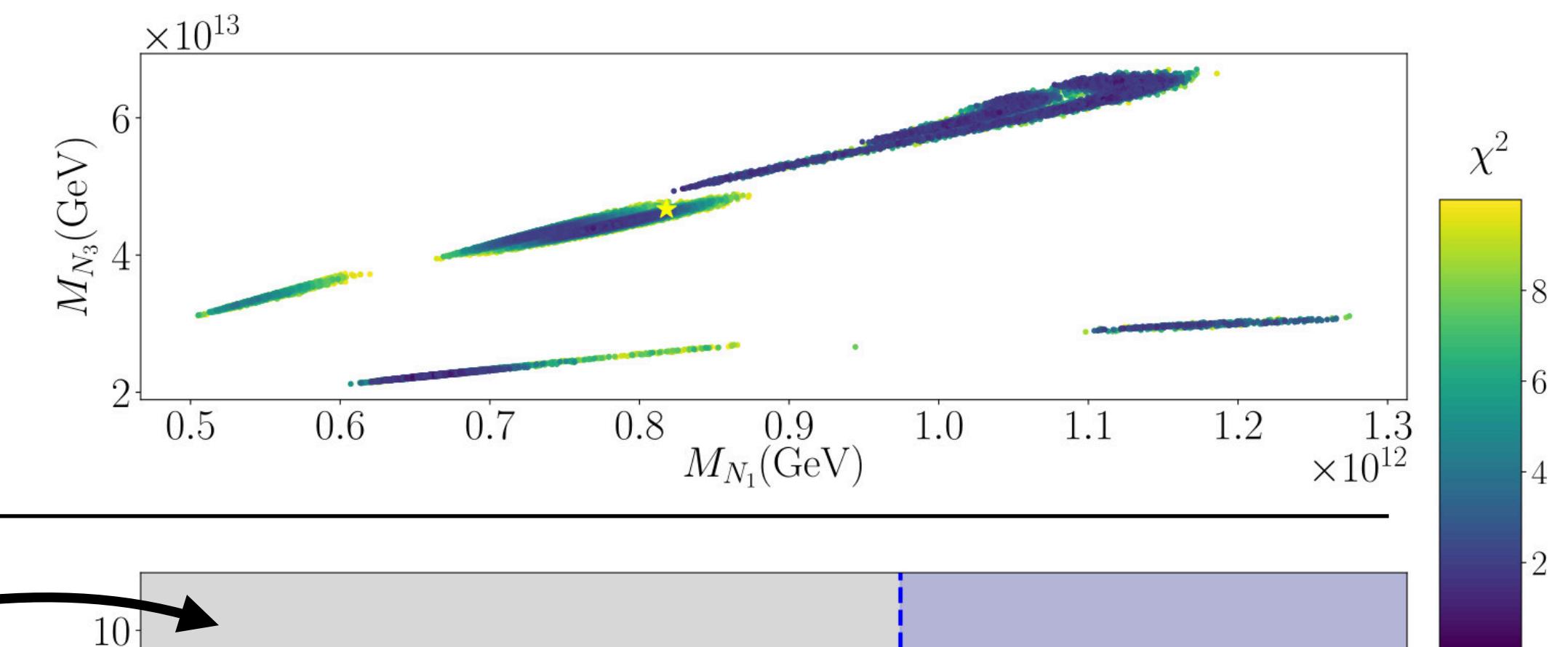
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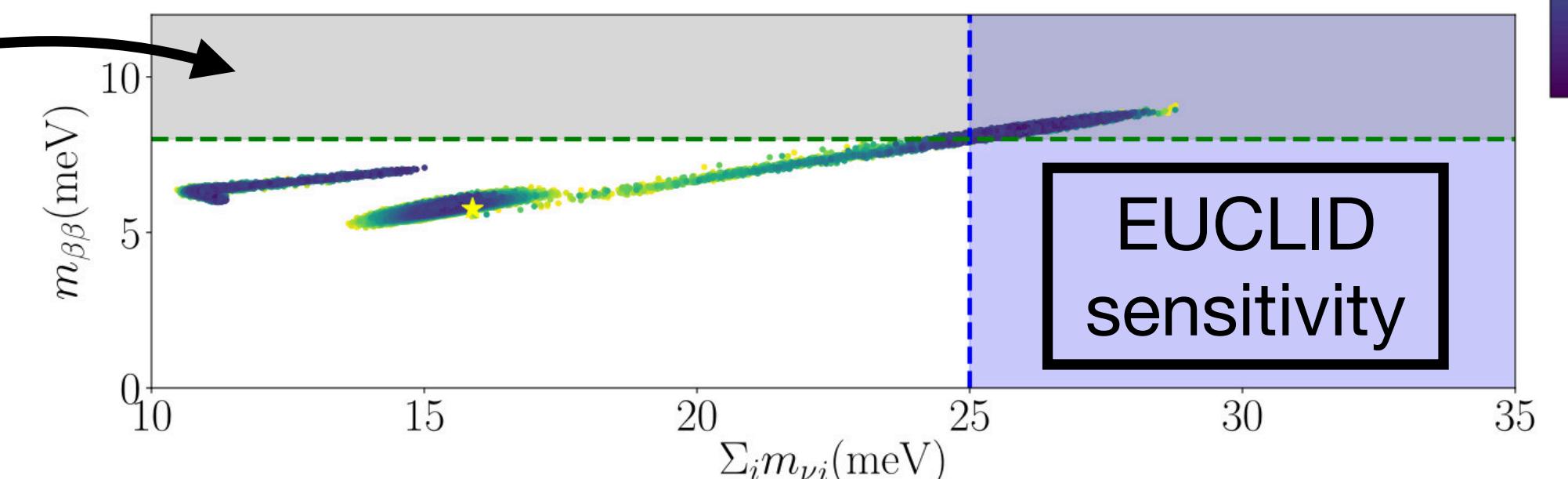
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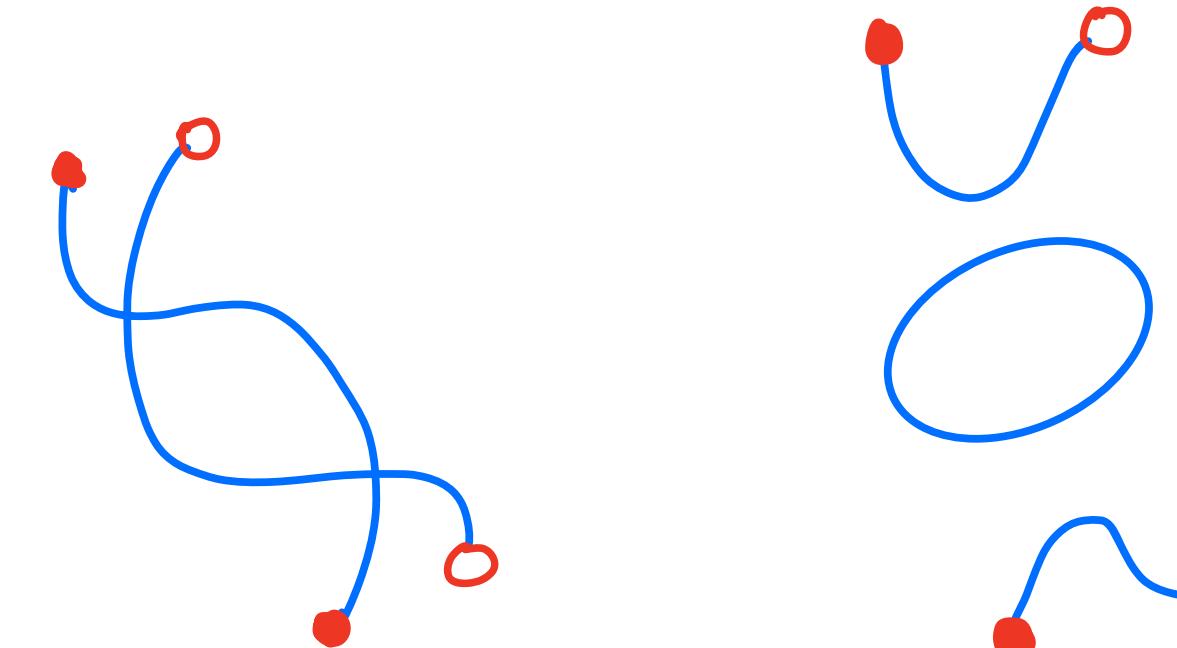
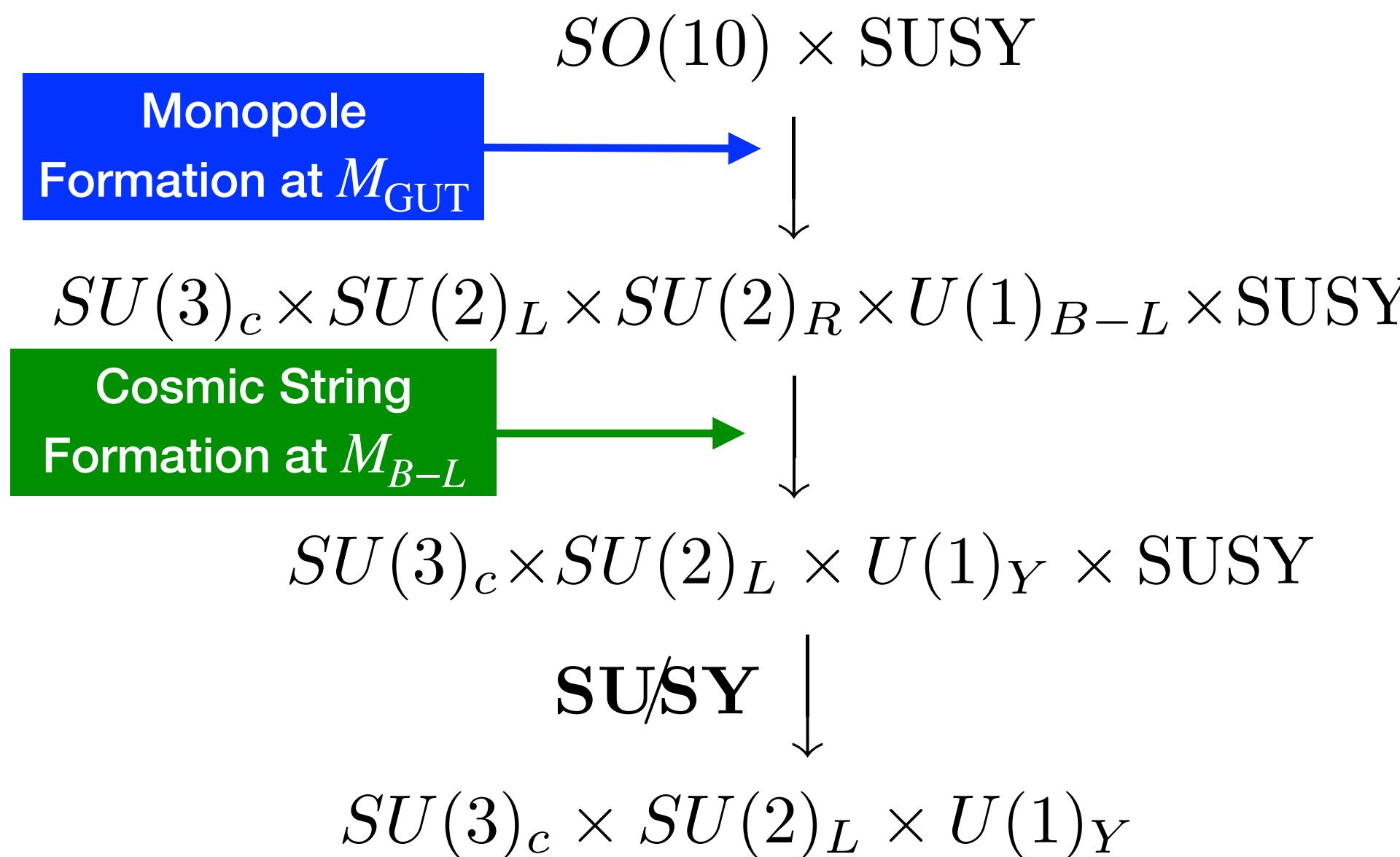
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$m_{\text{mono}}^2 \sim \mu \implies$  monopoles & antimonopoles can nucleate on string & annihilate  $\implies$  **metastable string**

$$\Gamma_d = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} e^{-\pi\kappa}, \quad \kappa = \frac{m^2}{\mu}$$

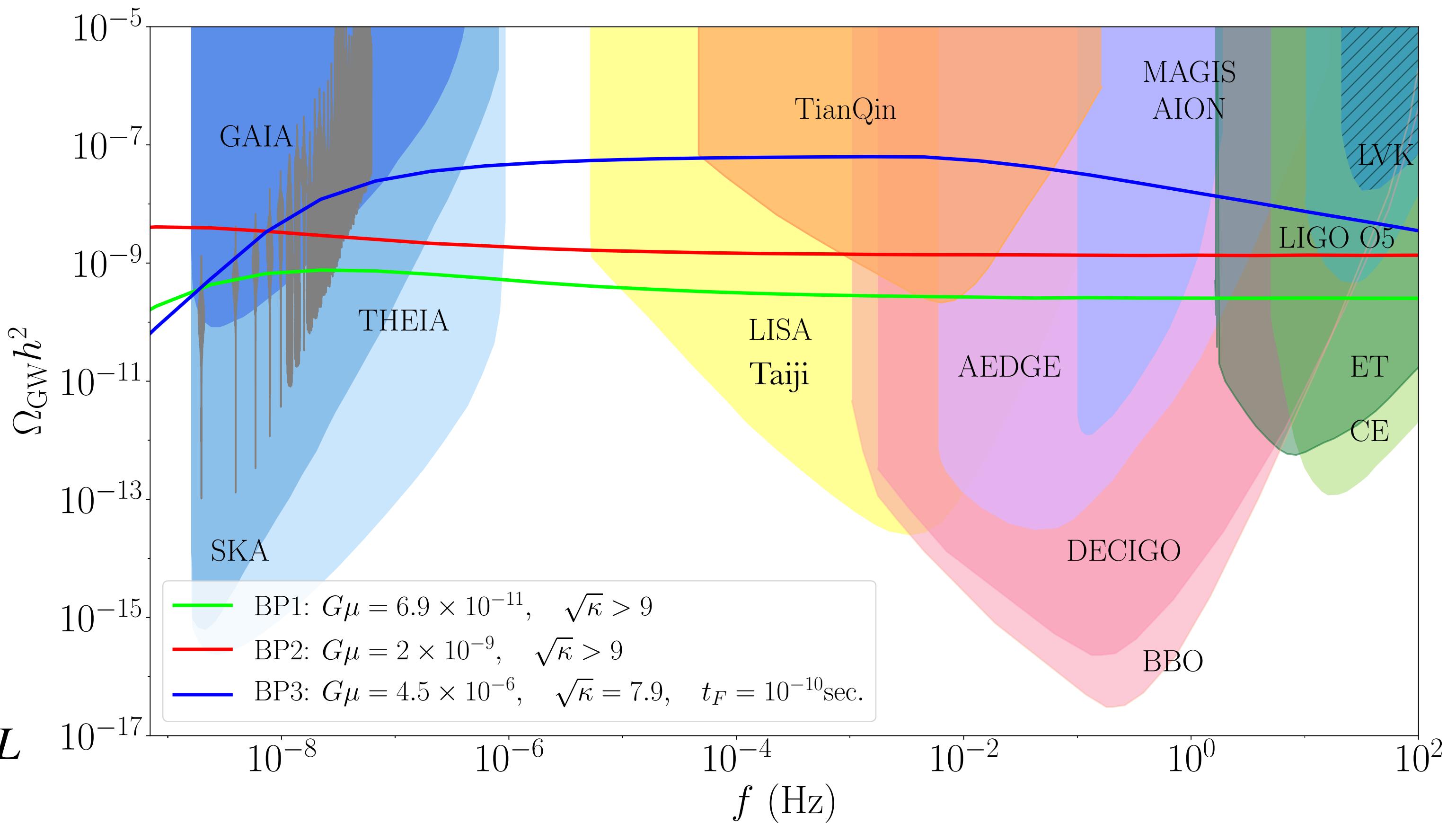
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Vilenkin [1982],  
Leblond, Shlaer, Siemens [2009],  
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Buchmuller, Domcke, Schmitz [2021]

# Gravitational Wave

- BP1: Stable string allowed by NG15
- BP2: Stable string ruled out by NG15
- BP3: Metastable string explaining NG15

$$\sqrt{\kappa} \sim 7.9 \implies M_{\text{GUT}} \sim 1.5 M_{B-L}$$



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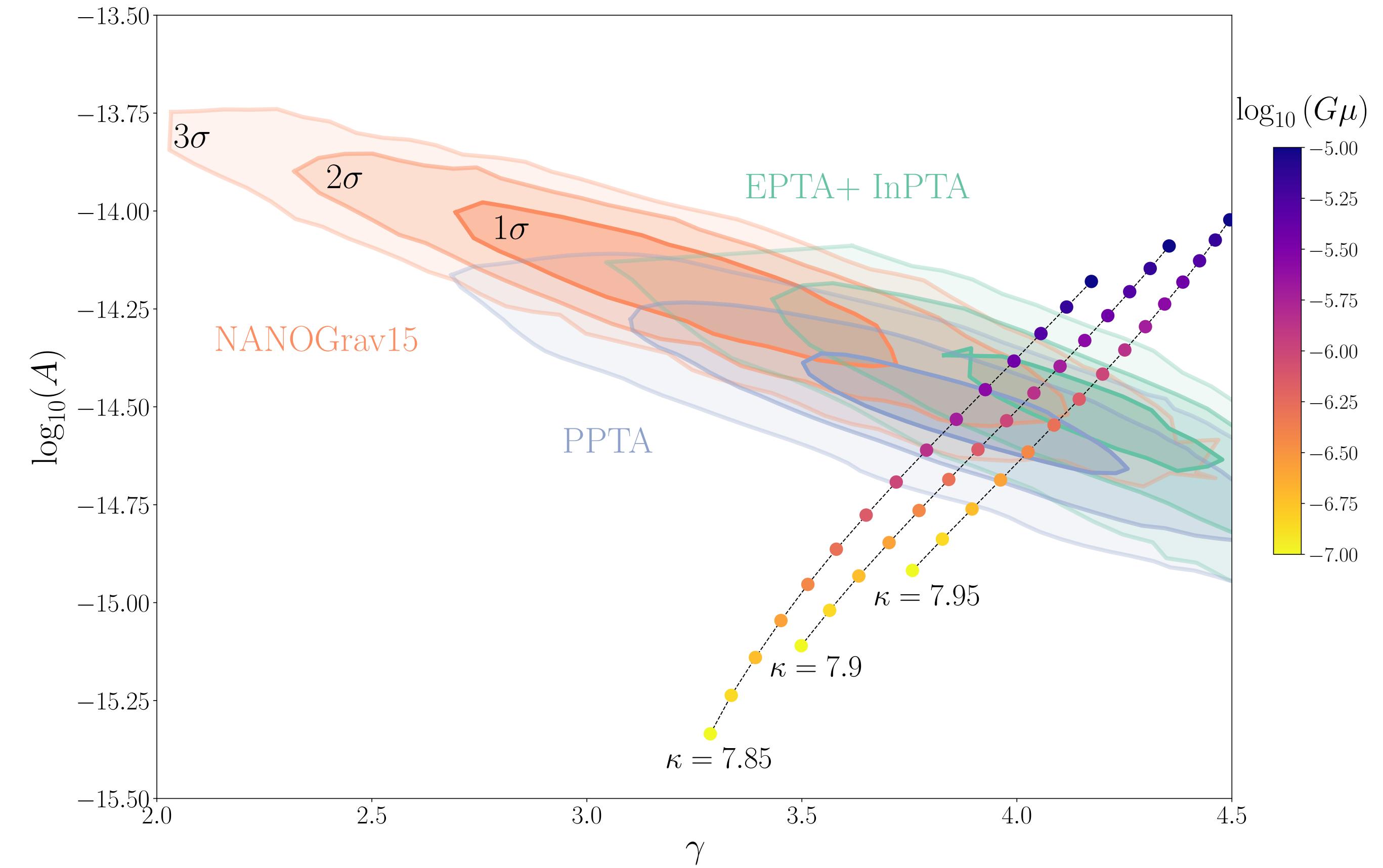
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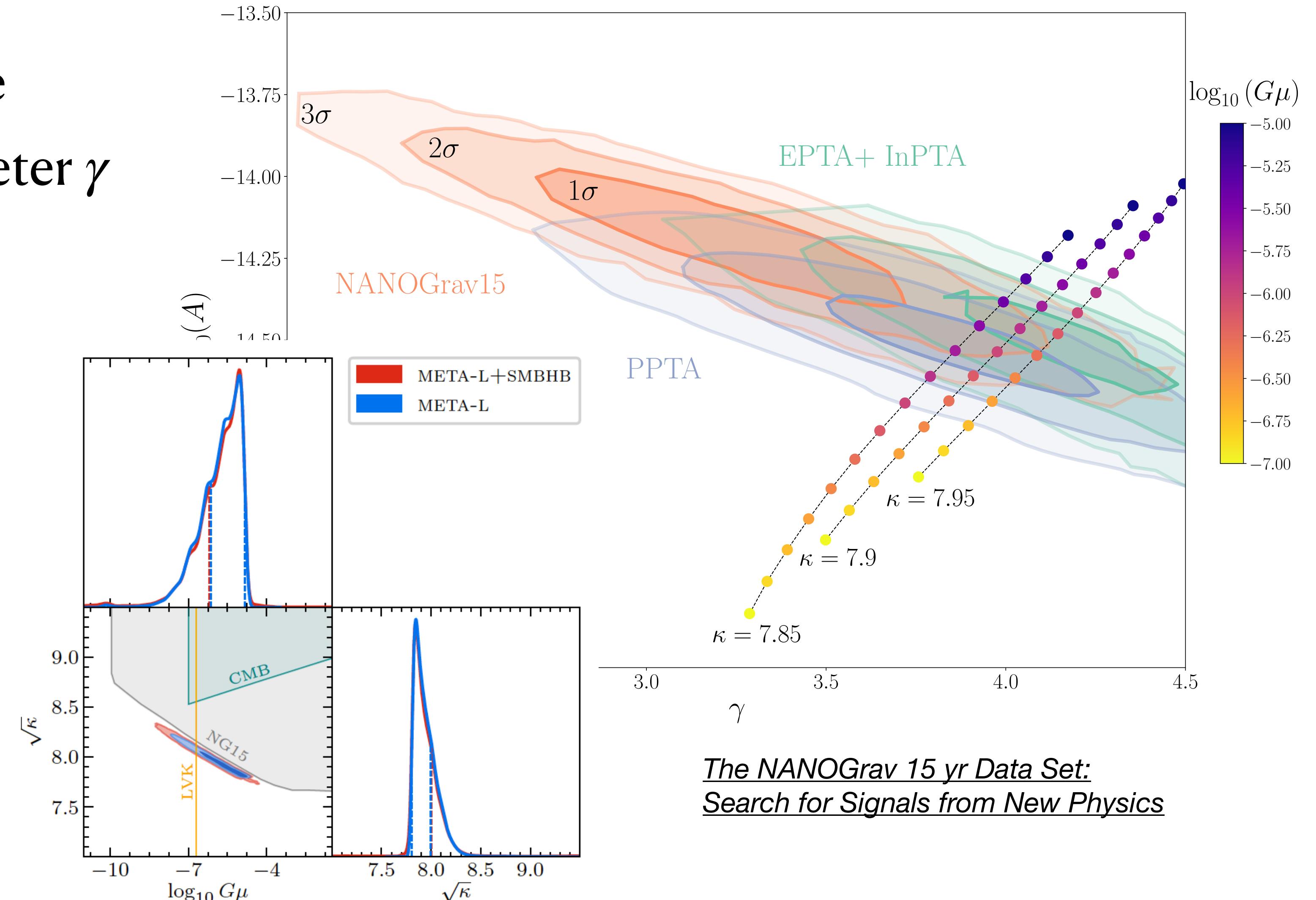
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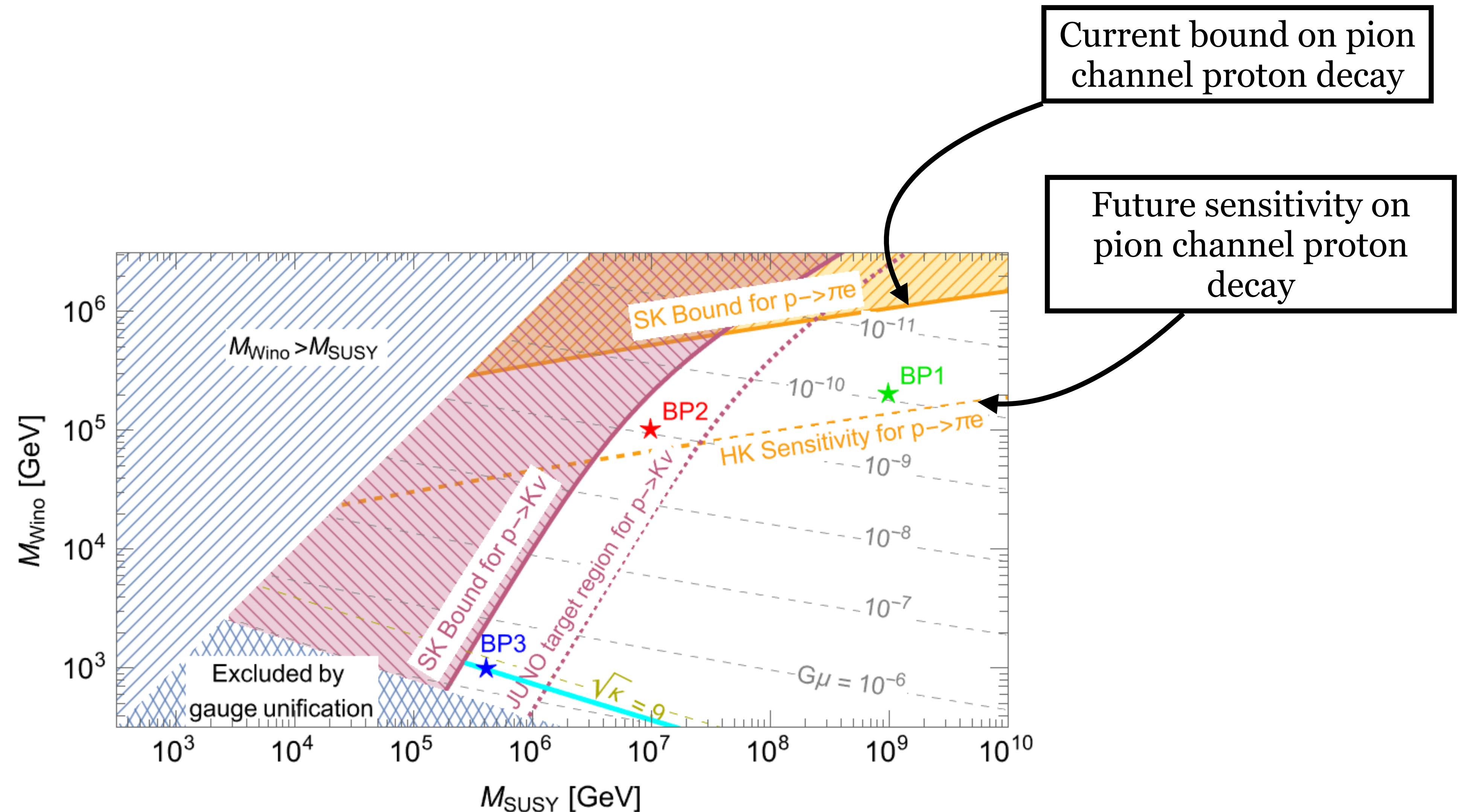
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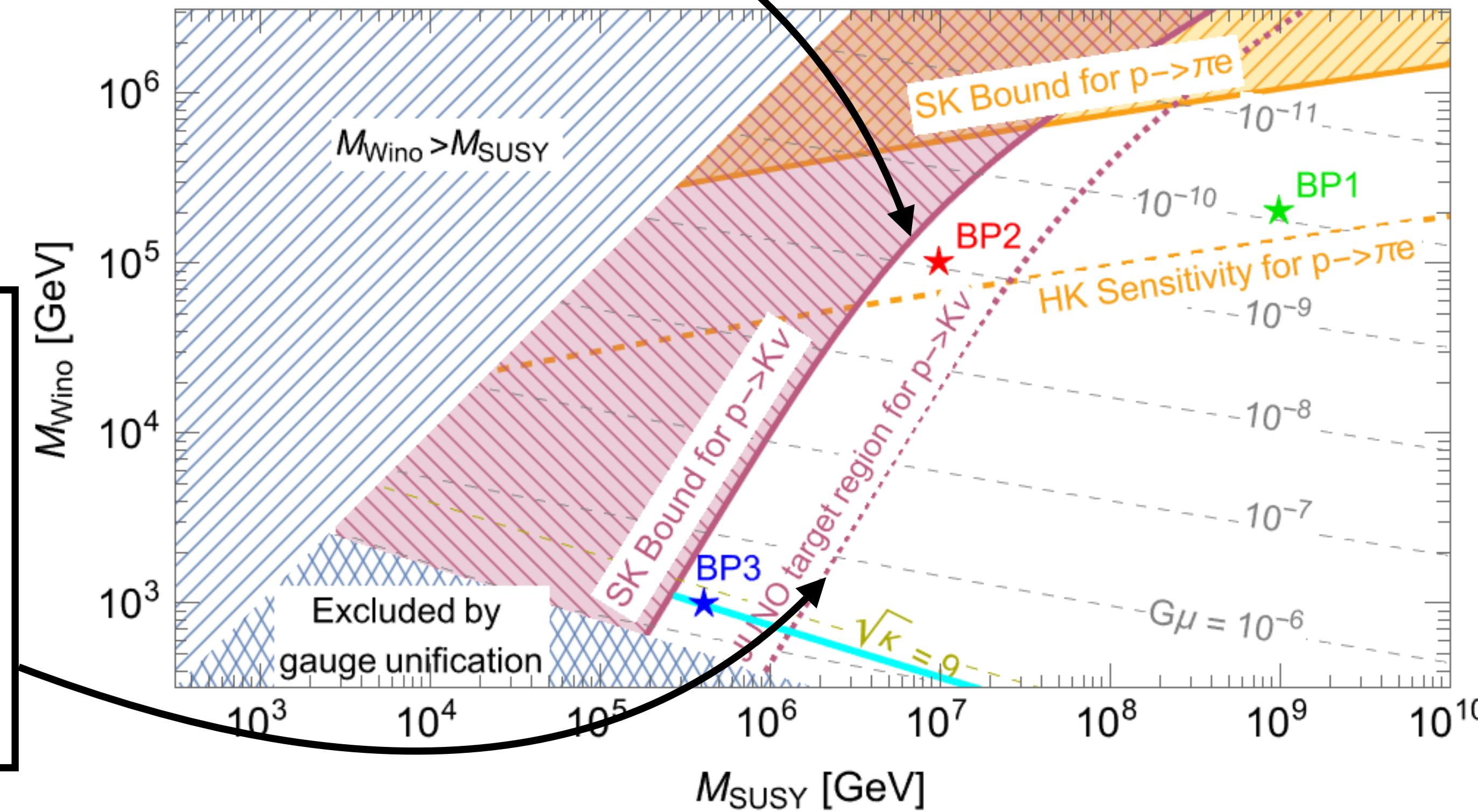
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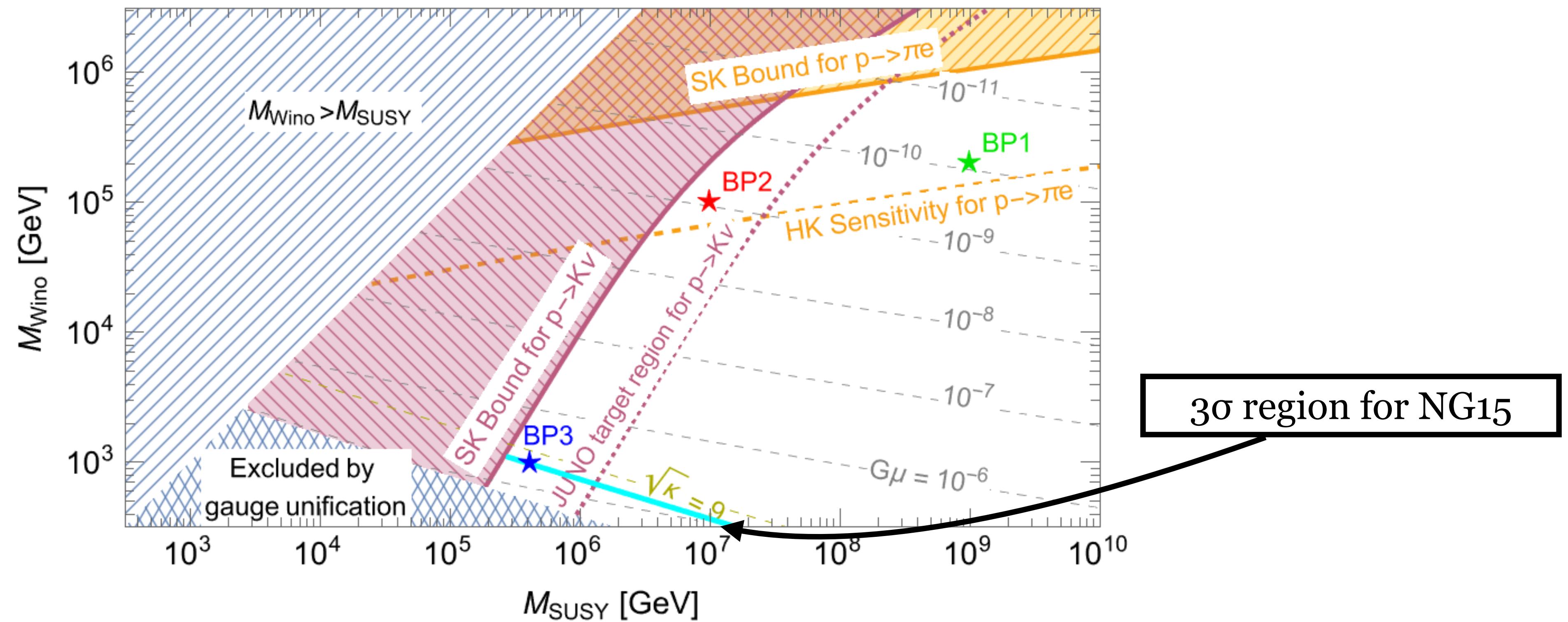
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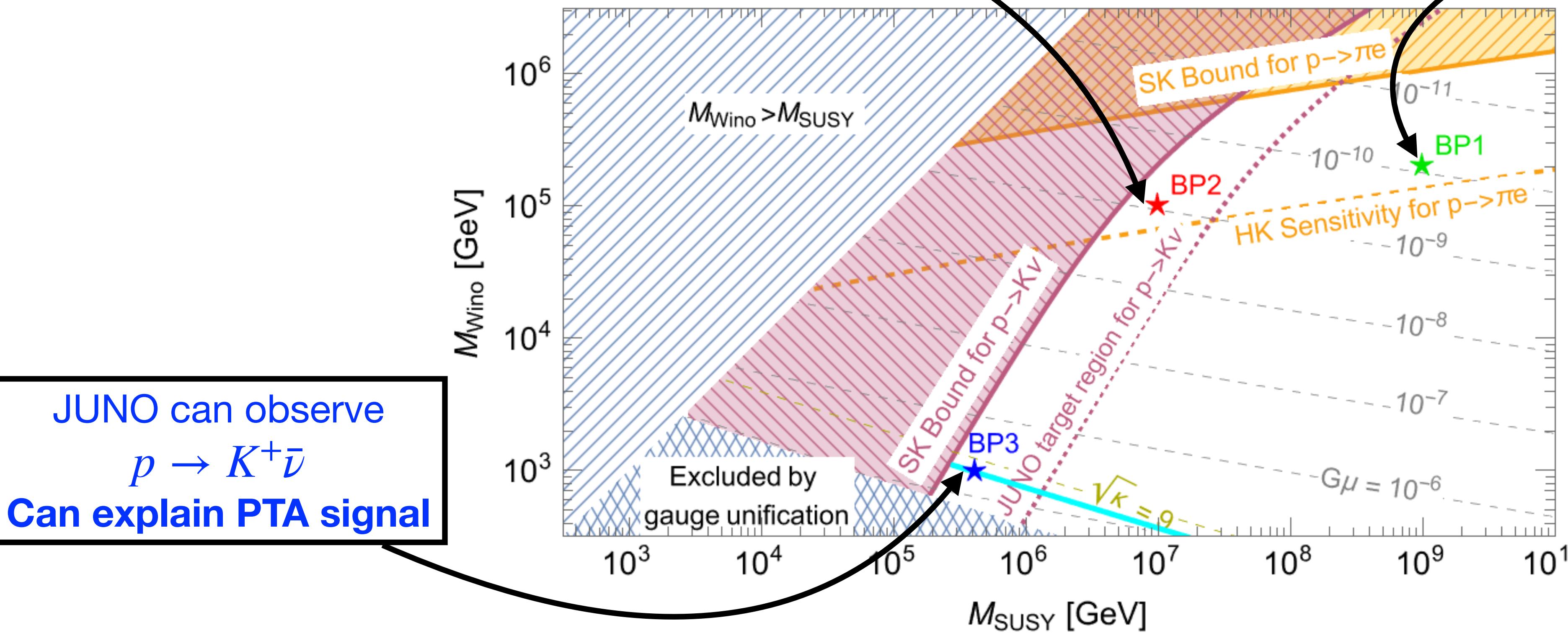
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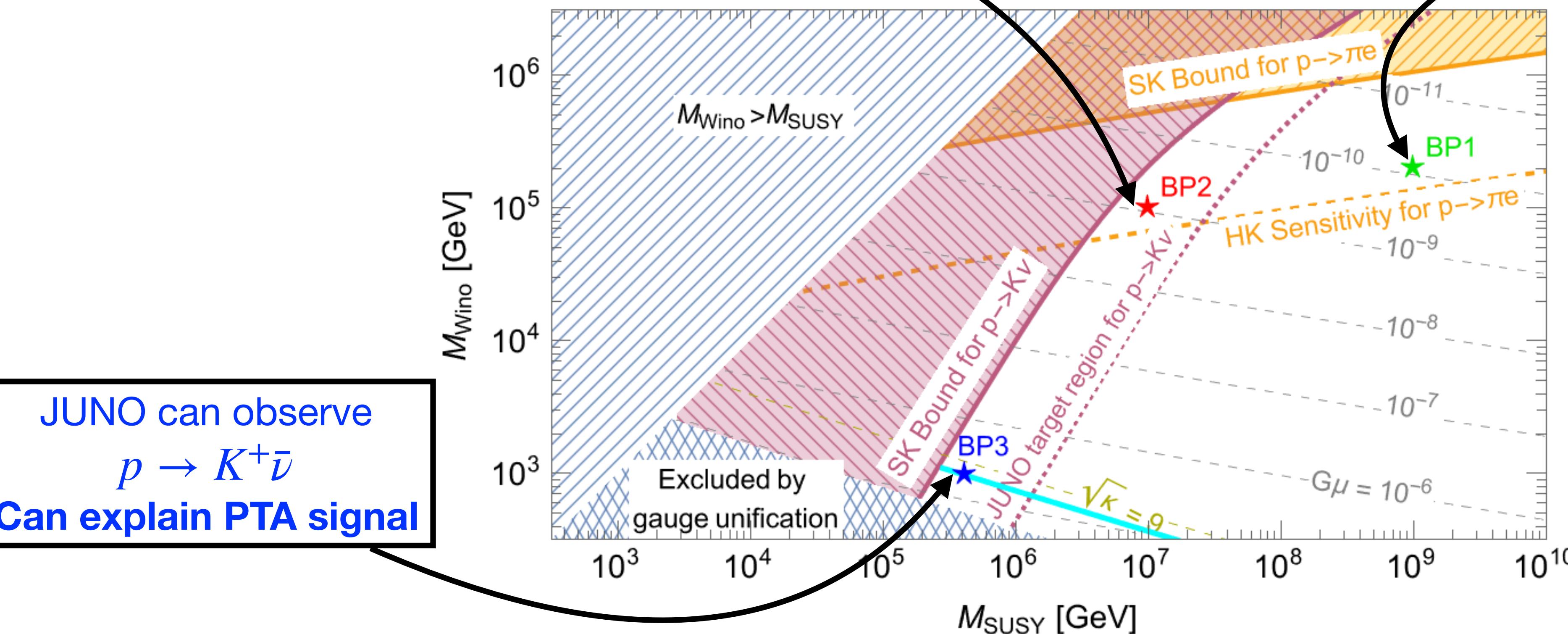
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# Summary

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- Natural proximity of the intermediate scale and the GUT scale, leading to metastable cosmic strings
- Proton decay measurements and PTA observations cover complementary regions of the parameter space in the split-SUSY scenario
- An eventual observation of proton decay from both the pion and kaon channels is not consistent with the current PTA observations

Thank you!