

# IMPLICATIONS OF A NEW LIGHT SCALAR NEAR THE BOTTOMONIUM REGIME

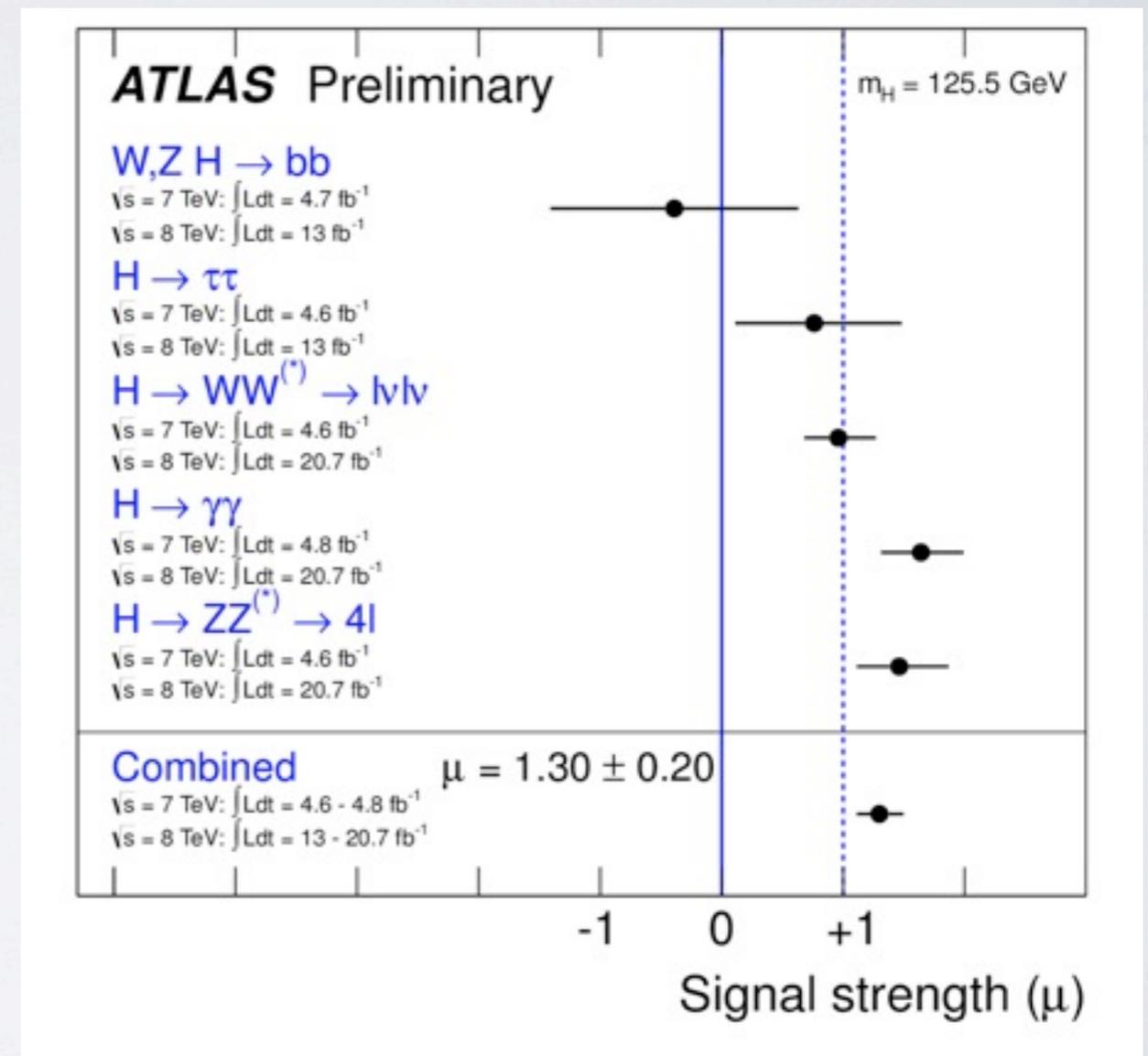
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# A NEW ERA OF ELECTROWEAK PHYSICS

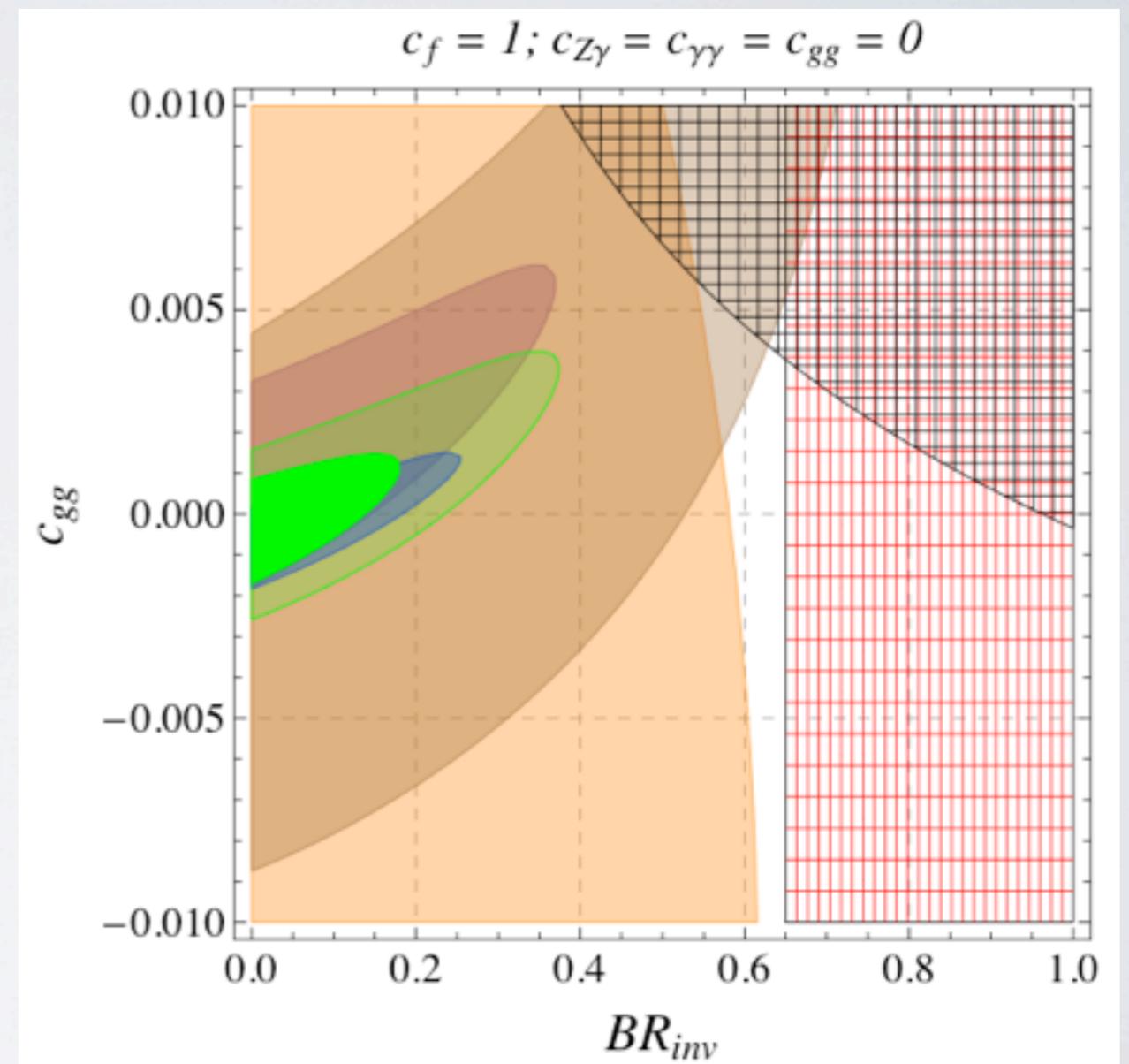
- Higgs Physics IS Precision Electroweak Physics
- Smoking guns in SM channels haven't appeared
- Look for the Higgs to do something completely different from SM



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# H $\rightarrow$ INVISIBLE

- Could the **Higgs** be decaying in an **unanticipated channel**?
- **Invisible** Higgs width **reduces rates into visible** channels.
- Current limit is  $BR_{inv} < 16\%$  ( $\sim 40\%$  if SM rate enhanced).
- **Won't get much stronger than  $\sim 10\%$** , even at LHC13



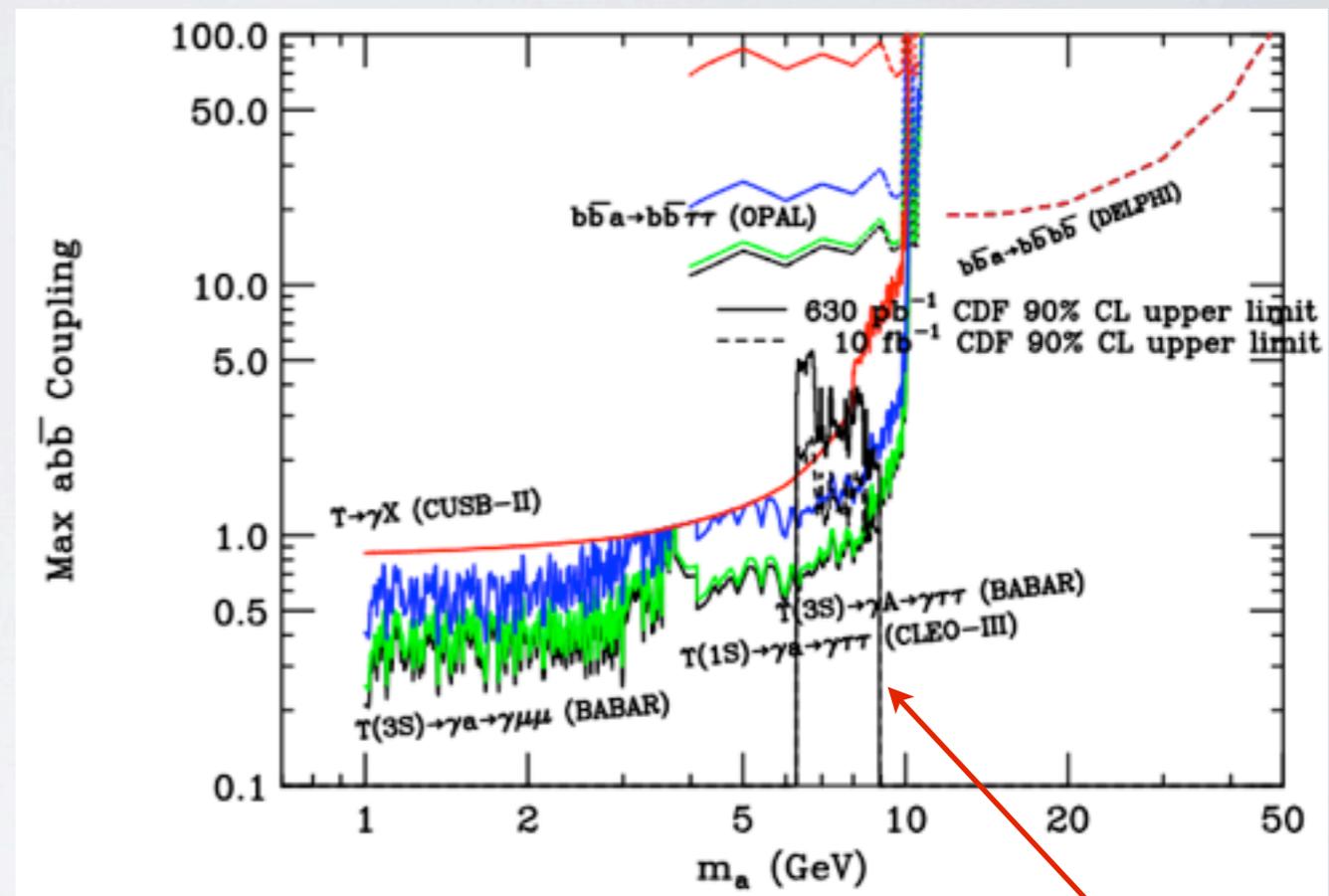
Green region allowed by observed visible rates.  
Falkowski et al. [1303.1812]

# LIGHT CP-ODD HIGGS

- A motivated “invisible” scenario is the decay  $h \rightarrow aa$ , where  $a$  is a CP-odd Higgs in part of an extended Higgs sector
- **NMSSM**: Scalar potential can have *exact  $U(1)_R$  symmetry in limit of vanishing  $A$ -terms and gaugino masses*. The CP-odd Higgs can be the *pseudo-Goldstone* of this symmetry
- **Little Higgs**: The whole Higgs sector are *pGBs*. Mass is *protected by collective symmetry breaking and generated at loop level*

# “INVISIBLE” & BOTTONOMONIA

- Natural “invisible” Higgs decay product to consider is a light CP-odd scalar:  $a$
- As a “Higgs,” coupling to 3<sup>rd</sup> generation and **limits from b-quarks**

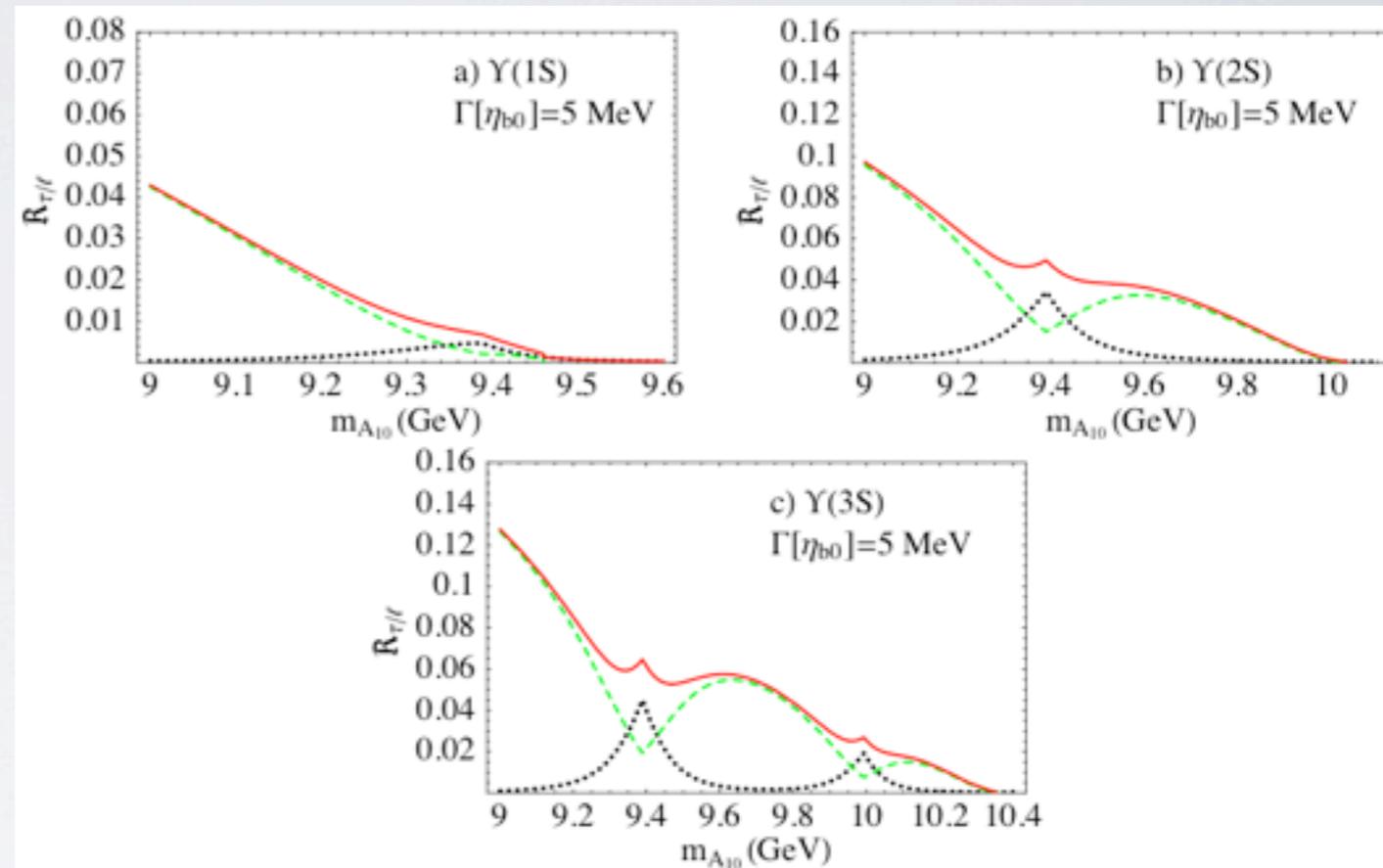


Limits on  $m_a$  from  $\Upsilon$  decay, and production followed by decay to  $b\bar{s}$  or  $\mu\bar{\mu}$   
 Gunion and Dermisek [1002.1971]

Notice Cutoff near 9GeV

# BOTTOMONIUM OBSERVABLES FOR NEW PHYSICS

- Regardless of motivation or likelihood, **we don't want to miss a particle  $\sim 10$  GeV**
- **1-9 GeV**: As is done, look for **rare  $\Upsilon$  decays**
- **9-11 GeV**: **Mixing** effects with bottomonia
- **11-15 GeV**: Substantial decays TO bottomonia



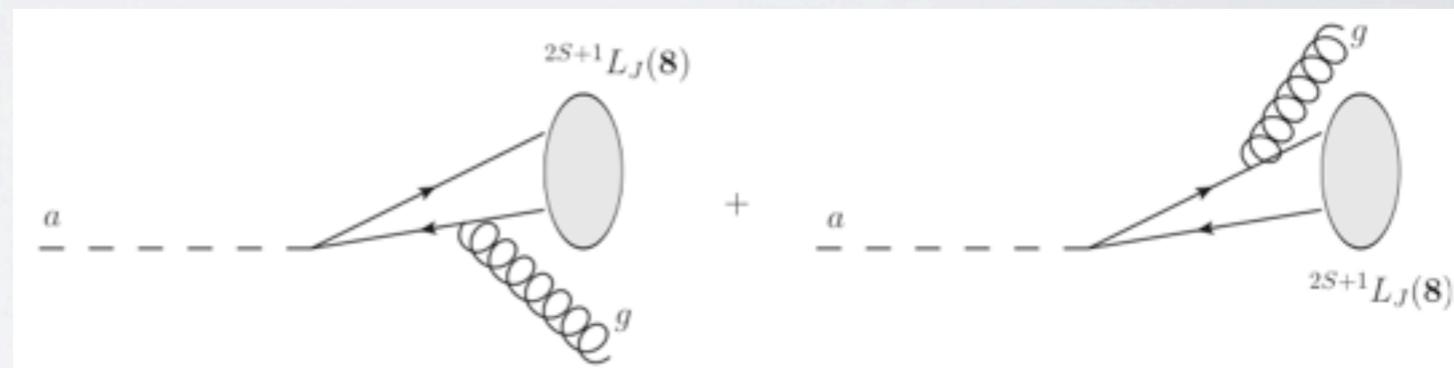
Effect from  $a$ - $\eta_b$  mixing on lepton universality of  $\Upsilon$  decays  
Domingo et al. [0810.4736]

# a NEAR THE BOTTOMONIA

- We assume a light (9-15 GeV) scalar with Higgs-like couplings to SM fermions
- We are interested in ITS decay rates:
  - For  $(m_a - m_{\text{onia}}) > m_b v$ , ( $m_a > 11 \text{ GeV}$ ) we have straightforward semi-perturbative calculation in NRQCD
  - Below this region, we lose calculability, but use mixing formalism for order of magnitude estimates

# PROBING BOUND STATE PHYSICS WITH A FUNDAMENTAL

- Independent of phenomenology, **interesting field theory question** to ask about decays to **bound states vs. open flavor**
- If mass splitting sufficiently large  $O(m_b v)$ , **exploit separation of scales.**



Leading diagrams that contribute to the process  
 $a \rightarrow \text{bottomonia} + X$

# (VERY) BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO NRQCD\*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{heavy}} = \psi^\dagger \left( iD_t + \frac{\mathbf{D}^2}{2M} \right) \psi + \chi^\dagger \left( iD_t - \frac{\mathbf{D}^2}{2M} \right) \chi$$

Heavy quark  
kinetic term.  
Creation & Annihilation  
decoupled.

- NRQCD is an EFT with 3 effective scales
  - $m_b$
  - $m_b v$ , scale of momentum transfer and size of bottomonium
  - $m_b v^2$ , bottom kinetic energy scale and radial excitation splitting
- Parametrics give us factorization and power counting

\*See e.g. Bodwin, Braaten, Le Page PRD51, 1125<sub>9</sub> (1995) hep-ph/9407339

# FACTORIZATION AND QUARKONIUM PRODUCTION

- Splitting between  $m_b$  and bound quark momentum exchange ( $m_b v$ ) lets us factorize production into:
  - For **quark creation, perturbative** QCD-like part with angular momentum and color decomposition
  - For **binding** through long-distance, nonperturbative physics, the **expectation value of an NRQCD operator**
- For our case of interest:

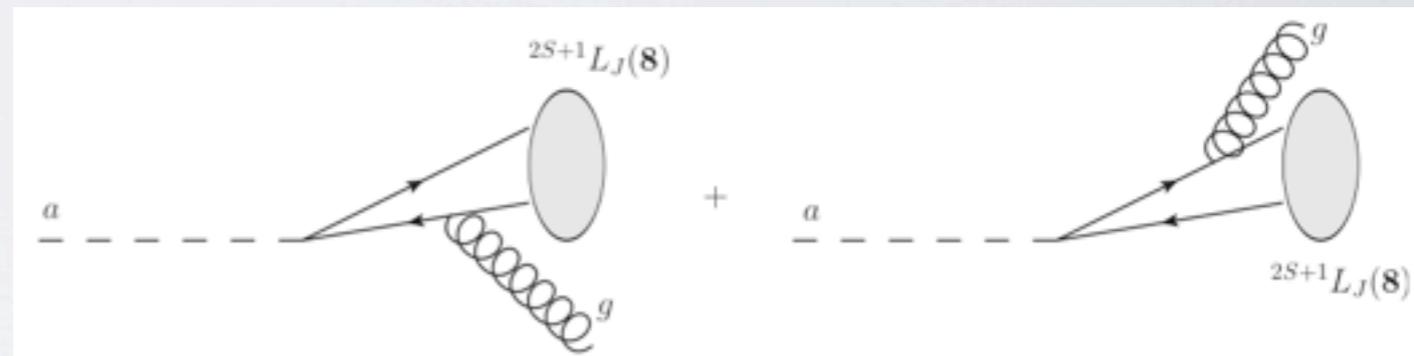
$$\Gamma[a \rightarrow H + X] = \sum_n \hat{\Gamma}[a \rightarrow b\bar{b}(n, \mathbf{8}) + g] \langle \mathcal{O}_n^H \rangle$$

# HEAVY QUARK PRODUCTION THROUGH SCALAR DECAY

- We couple our particle,  $a$ , to  $b$  quarks:

$$\mathcal{L}_{a\bar{b}b} = y_b^+ a \bar{b} b + i y_b^- a \bar{b} \gamma^5 b$$

- **Nontrivial** part is determining **which operators** contribute
- We get an **infinite tower**, but NRQCD power counting gives **suppression by  $\alpha_s^n v^m$**



Interpreted through NRQCD factorization:  
**Blobs** are nonperturbative matrix elements  
**Vertices** are perturbative, but  
**Project** onto color and angular momentum

# FINDING THE MATRIX ELEMENTS OF INTEREST

- We emit a single perturbative gluon as other possibilities give  $\alpha_s$  and three-body suppression
- This leads us to consider **color-octet matrix elements**
- Angular momentum simplified by “accidental” C-invariance, implies:

$$L + S = \text{odd}$$

# $\Gamma(a \rightarrow \text{BOTTOMONIA} + X)$

- For pseudoscalar:

$$\xi = m_{\text{onia}}^2 / m_a^2$$

$$\Gamma(a \rightarrow i + X) = \frac{32 \alpha_s y_b^2}{m_a m_i^3} \left( (1 - \xi) m_i^2 \langle \mathcal{O}_8^i(^3S_1) \rangle + 4 \frac{(1 + \xi)^2}{1 - \xi} \langle \mathcal{O}_8^i(^1P_1) \rangle \right)$$

- Parity-even scalar

$$\Gamma(a_{\text{P-even}} \rightarrow i + X) = \frac{32 \alpha_s y_b^2}{m_a m_i^3} (1 - \xi) [m_i^2 \langle \mathcal{O}_8^i(^3S_1) \rangle + 4 \langle \mathcal{O}_8^i(^1P_1) \rangle]$$

- It remains to parametrize and justify matrix elements, but first...

# SOFT ASIDE

- We notice an interesting structure in the decay rate formulas

$$\Gamma(\text{pseudo},^1 P_1) \propto \frac{(1 + \xi)^2}{1 - \xi}$$

- This diverges as  $m_a \rightarrow m_{\text{onium}}$ , but no other rate did
- This is a **soft gluon divergence**, as other channels require either finite gluon linear or angular momentum.
- Only for pseudoscalar by demands of 3-body parity:

$$P_{3\text{-body}} = P_1 P_2 P_3 (-1)^\ell (-1)^L,$$

# NRQCD POWER COUNTING\*

- Perturbation theory shows that  $^1P_1$  contribution important.
- Which quarkonia have overlap with this state?
- One example is the pseudosclar  $\eta_b$ :  
$$|\eta_b\rangle = |b\bar{b}(^1S_0)_1\rangle + \mathcal{O}(v) |b\bar{b}(^1P_1)_8 g\rangle + \mathcal{O}(v^{3/2}) |b\bar{b}(^3S_1)_8 g\rangle + \mathcal{O}(v^2) |b\bar{b}(^1S_0)_{8/1} gg\rangle + \mathcal{O}(v^2) |b\bar{b}(^1D_2)_{8/1} gg\rangle + \dots$$
- Electric gluons bring factor of  $v$ , magnetic (spin flip)  $v^{3/2}$ .
- Other important states for  $^1P_1$  are the  $^1D_2$   $\mathcal{O}(v)$  and  $\chi_{bJ}$   $\mathcal{O}(v^{3/2})$ .

\*We use the revised power counting of BBL, PRD51, 1125 (1995) hep-ph/9407339

# POWER COUNTING FOR DECAY OPERATORS

- Need to **convert matrix elements to numbers** to compare decay rate
- Our **states of interest are obscure**, so we compare two methods
  - **Straight power counting:**  
 $m_b^n v^m$
  - **Scale up** spin-flipped charmonium results

Factor	Origin
$(m_b v)^{-3}$	Volume factor from operator spatial integral
$(m_b v)^6$	4 heavy quark fields
$v^2$	Overlap of $b\bar{b}(^1P_1)_8$ with $\eta_b$ Fock state
$(m_b v)^2$	$D^i$ in operator
$m_b^5 v^7$	Total

Power counting for  $\mathcal{O}_8^{\eta_b}(^1P_1)$

$$\mathcal{O}_8^{\eta_b}(^1P_1) = \chi^\dagger \left( -\frac{i}{2} \overleftrightarrow{D}^i \right) t^a \psi \left( \sum_X |\eta_b + X\rangle \langle \eta_b + X| \right) \psi^\dagger \left( -\frac{i}{2} \overleftrightarrow{D}^i \right) t^a \chi$$

# FROM MATRIX ELEMENTS TO NUMBERS

- We arrive at  $\langle O_8^{\eta_b}({}^1P_1) \rangle \sim m_b^5 v^7 \approx 1 \text{ GeV}^5$
- $O_8^{\eta_b}({}^1P_1)$  related by spin flip to  $\langle O_8^{J/\Psi}({}^3P_0) \rangle \approx 10^{-2} \text{ GeV}^5$

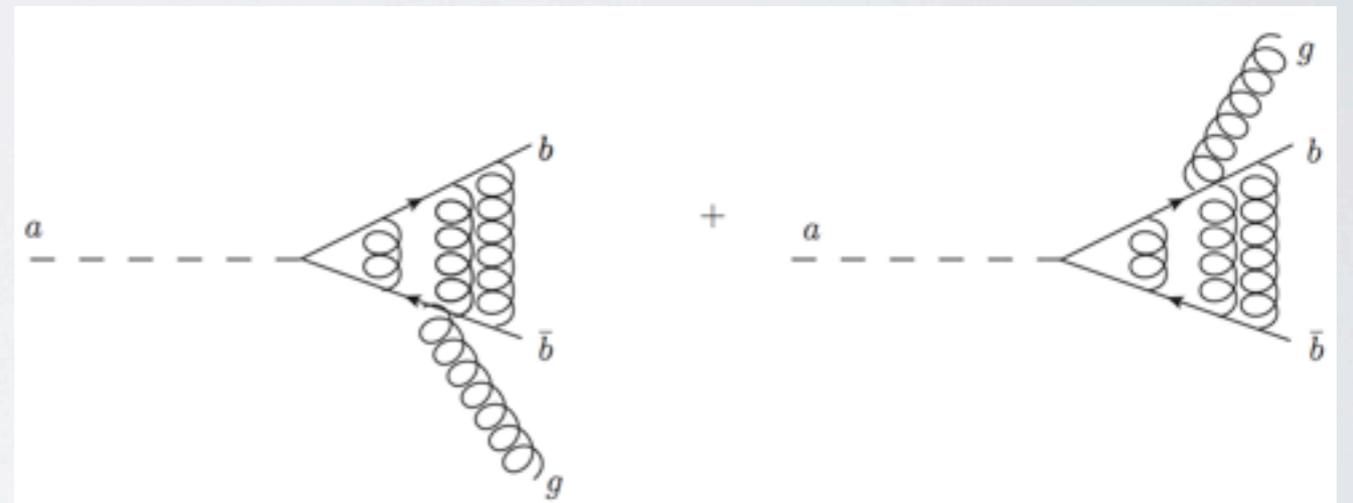
$$\langle O_8^{\eta_b}({}^1P_1) \rangle \approx \frac{m_b^5 v_b^7}{m_c^5 v_c^7} \langle O_8^{\eta_c}({}^1P_1) \rangle \approx 0.3 \text{ GeV}^5$$

- Rough agreement, so we use  $\langle O_8^{\eta_b}({}^1P_1) \rangle = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^5$

# INTO THE BINDING REGIME

- Where can we apply our numerical results?
- $^1P_1$  divergence already a clue of IR complications
- We take as our cutoff:

$$m_a - m_{\text{onium}} \sim p(g) > m_b v \approx 1.4 \text{ GeV}$$



If radiated gluon at same scale as those involved in binding, no factorization of its emission

# LOSING CONTROL: THE DETAILS

- We organize our operators in powers of  $v^2$
- **Squeezing amplitude** support into region of width  $v^2$  turns our expansion into  $(v^2/\epsilon)^n$
- For  $(\Delta m = m_b v) \equiv (\Delta E = m_b v^2)$ , we need to **sum infinite towers based** on our leading operators
- For  $\epsilon \ll v^2$ , even  $v^n (v^2/\epsilon)^m > 1$ , **all operators important**

# HOW TO PROCEED (IN PRINCIPLE)

- Intermediate mass splittings ( $\Delta m \sim m_b v$ ) are tractable, in principle
- One possibility is to use **OPE + Optical Theorem**:

$$\mathcal{T} = i \int d^4x T(\mathcal{L}_{a\bar{b}b}(x)\mathcal{L}_{a\bar{b}b}(0))$$

- Compute

$$\Gamma^{a \rightarrow b\bar{b}\text{-states} + X} = \frac{\text{Im}\langle a | \mathcal{T} | a \rangle}{m_a}$$

- OPE on  $\mathcal{T}$  gives our infinite series summed into non-perturbative structure functions
- **pNRQCD** designed for scales  $< m_b v$ . Can calculate with binding gluons integrated out

# MIXING EFFECTS

- For  $m_{\eta_{b(1)}} < m_a < m_{\eta_{b(6)}}$ , first principle calculation difficult
- However, we get **strong, calculable mixing effects with  $\eta_b$**  and we can use them to estimate rate.
- We account for **three different decay channels** by mixing
  - $a \rightarrow gg$
  - $a \rightarrow \eta_b + X$  (bottomonium hadronic transition)
  - $a \rightarrow b\text{-}b\bar{b}$  (open flavor)

$a \rightarrow gg$

- We diagonalize the  $a$ - $\eta_b$  mass matrix, accounting for the finite widths
- Both  $a$  and  $\eta_b$  have decays into gluons and we account for interference
- We use wavefunction at the origin for bottomonium decay

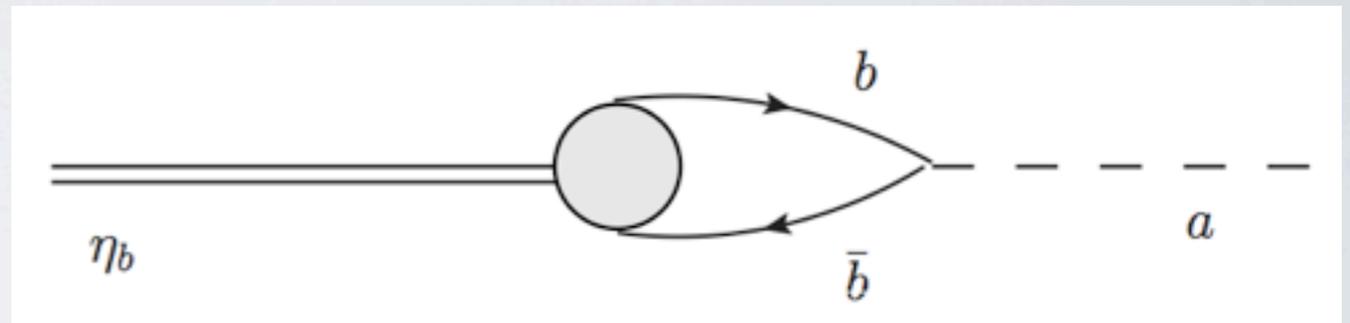


Diagram above leads to off-diagonal mass term

$$\delta m_{a-\eta_b(n)}^2 = y_b \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi} m_{\eta_b(n)}} |R_{\eta_b(n)}(0)|,$$

$$\Gamma(\eta_b(n) \rightarrow gg) = \frac{\alpha_s (m_{\eta_b(n)})^2}{3 m_{\eta_b(n)}^2} |R_{\eta_b(n)}(0)|^2.$$

$$a \rightarrow \eta_b + X$$

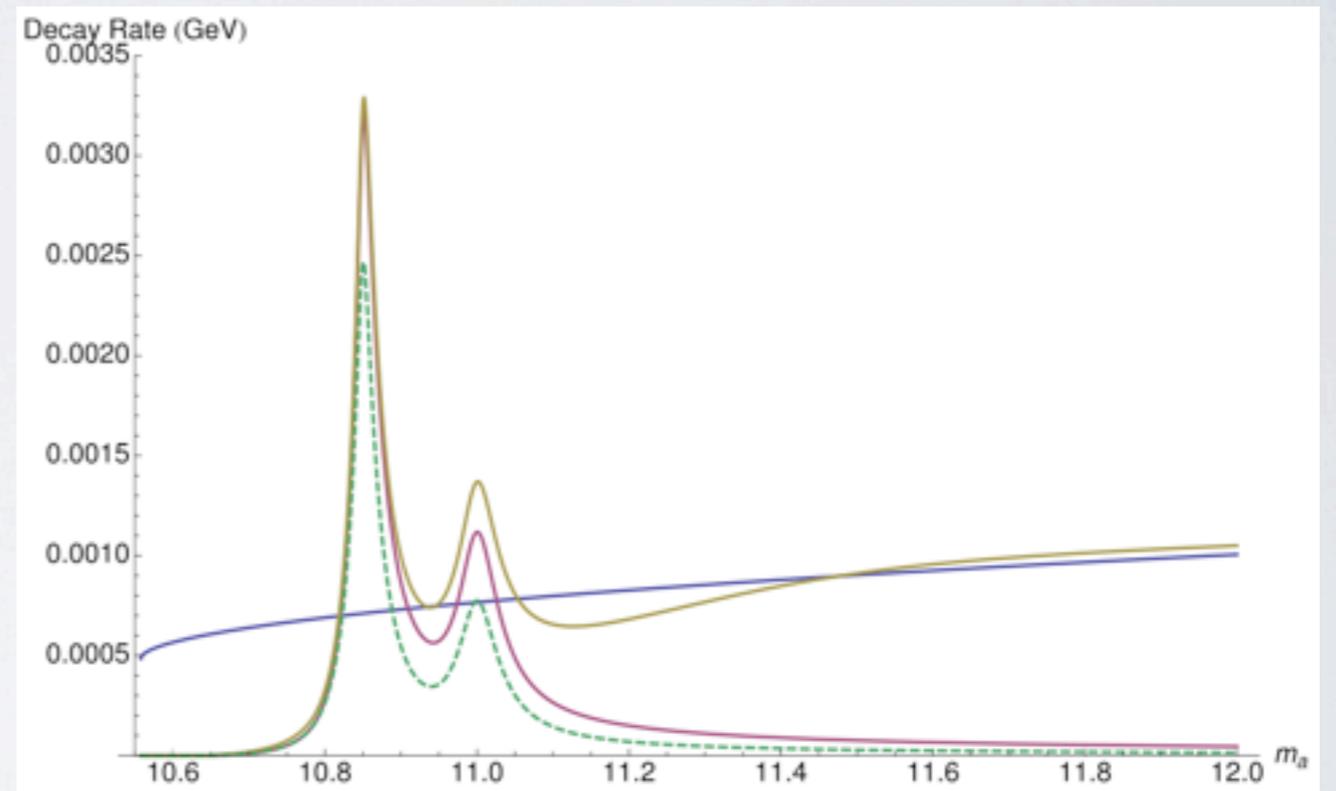
(hadronic transition)

- Just like the  $\Upsilon$ , the  $\eta_b$  transition among themselves hadronically, principally  $\eta_b(n) \rightarrow \eta_b(m) \pi\pi$ . We thus compute  $a \rightarrow \eta_b(m) \pi\pi$  by mixing.
- We lack data for the  $\eta_b$ , but use the  $\Upsilon$ .
  - For the lower-lying  $\eta_b(1-3,4)$ , this step justified by multipole expansion
  - For  $\Upsilon(5,6)$ , multipole expansion fails badly. Possible enhancement by  $Z_b$  ( $\Upsilon(n) \rightarrow Z_b \pi$ ,  $Z_b \rightarrow \Upsilon(m) \pi$ ). Spin symmetry predicts analogous  $W_{b0}$  for  $\eta_b$ .<sup>\*</sup> We again use  $\Upsilon$  rates.

<sup>\*</sup>Bondar et al. [1105.4473], Voloshin [1105.5829], Mehen & Powell [1009.3479]

# $a \rightarrow b\text{-}b\bar{b}$ (open flavor)

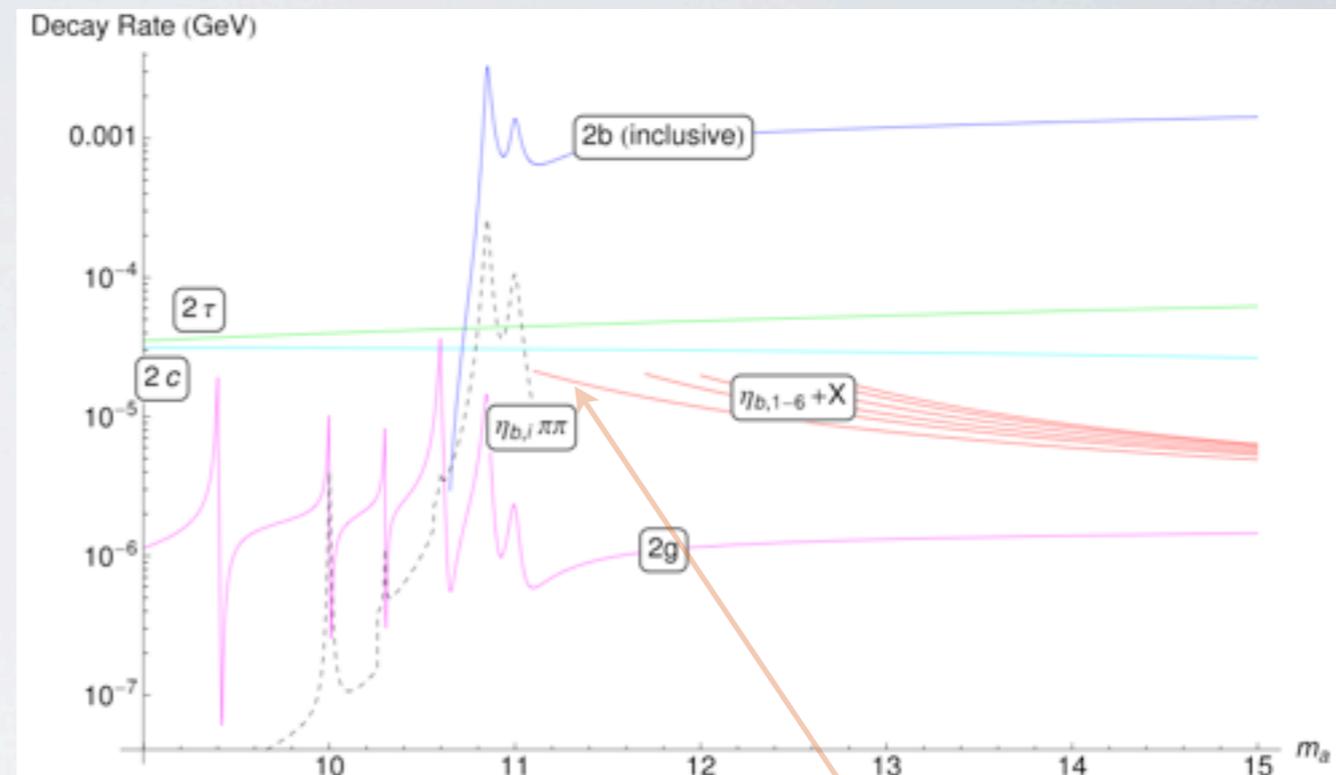
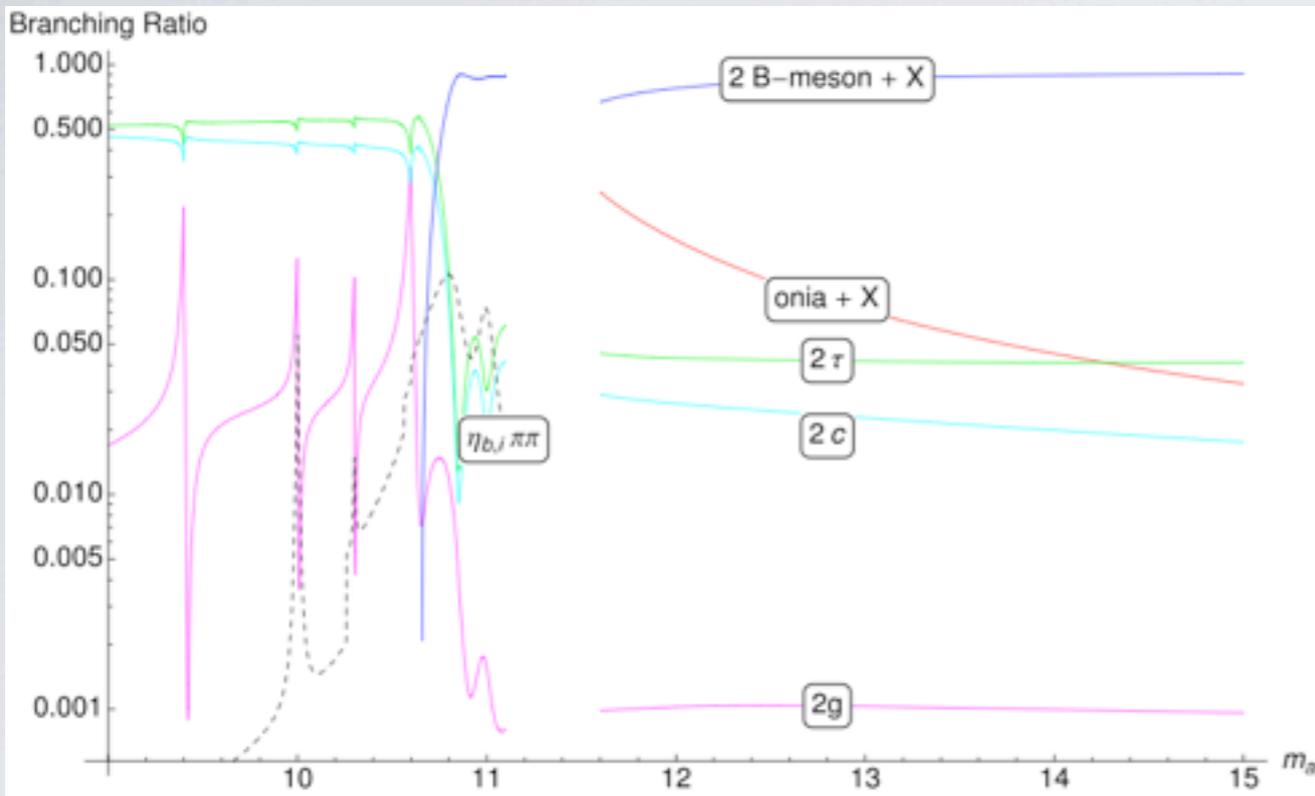
- $m_a$  sufficiently large will decay to open-flavor  $b\text{-}b\bar{b}$ .
- Highest two states  $\eta_b(5,6)$  can decay to B mesons and we must understand mixing\*
- Pseudoscalar decay into  $b\text{-}b\bar{b}$  is S-wave, but decay to lightest B mesons is P-wave



Open flavor decay of pseudoscalar:  
(Blue) Naive decay to fermions  
(Red) Decay to B mesons through mixing  
(Yellow) Phenomenological interpolation  
(Green) Omits  $B_s$

\*We use mixing formalism of Drees & Hikasa PRD41, 1547 (1990)

# RESULTS



We omit the region where NRQCD isn't reliable and mixing effects are negligible

For computing decay rate, we couple the  $a$  with SM Higgs Yukawa couplings

\*While nowhere dominant, we see that decays to bottomonia can be an important subleading decay

\*Despite our many approximations, we see that NRQCD and mixing agree at order of magnitude level

# PHENOMENOLOGY

- The  $\eta_b$  decays primarily by **annihilation to two gluons**
- We may worry about such a jetty final state, but there are handles for the **case  $h \rightarrow aa$** :
  - “Jetty” Higgses are handled by (cf. Butterworth et al. [0802.2470])
    - look for **boosted Higgses**
    - make a fat, **Higgs-jet**, look for substructure
  - **Different radiation pattern from QCD jets** (no color until a decay),  $\eta_b$  decay is “sparse”
  - Can reconstruct bottomonium mass
  - **Exploit other decay channels** by looking for e.g.  $\tau^+\tau^-$  or open-flavor  $b\text{-}b\bar{b}$  in other  $a$ -decay
- Could also look for  $a$ 's produced in **charged Higgs decay, or radiated off  $b\text{-}b\bar{b}/t\text{-}t\bar{t}$**

# CONCLUSIONS

- “Invisible” decays of the SM Higgs may be our last best hope for striking new physics in the Higgs sector
- A light CP-odd Higgs offers a motivated invisible channel
- For  $m_a$  from 9-15 GeV, we get interesting, observable interplay with bottomonia
- A couple challenges:
  - For  $m_a - m_{\text{onium}} \sim m_b v$ , it is an interesting, hard, but tractable problem to compute its decays
  - Since  $(a \rightarrow \text{onium} + X)$  is proportional to matrix element expectation values, does thought-experiment of coupling this state to b's constrain their positivity?
- Were nature to give us such a state, we would gain access to a trove of new information about bottomonia.