

Neutrinos as standard & nonstandard dark radiation & dark matter

TRIUMF Neutrinos in Cosmology and Astrophysics

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nonstandard
dark matter &
dark radiation

N_s
 N_{eff}

standard
dark matter &
dark radiation

Σm_ν N_ν



The Cosmological Neutrino

The second most abundant particle in the Universe*
From thermal physics:

$$n_\gamma = \frac{\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} g T^3 \approx 411 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

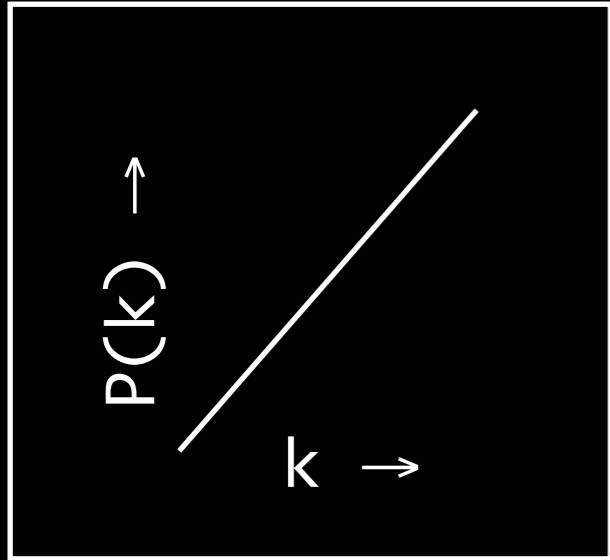
$$n_\nu = N_\nu \times \left(\frac{3}{11} \right) n_\gamma \approx 340 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

*depends on dark matter particle
mass...

standard dark matter

Σm_ν

Primordial Clustering:
Cosmic Microwave Background
gives a Precision Determination
at Large Scales



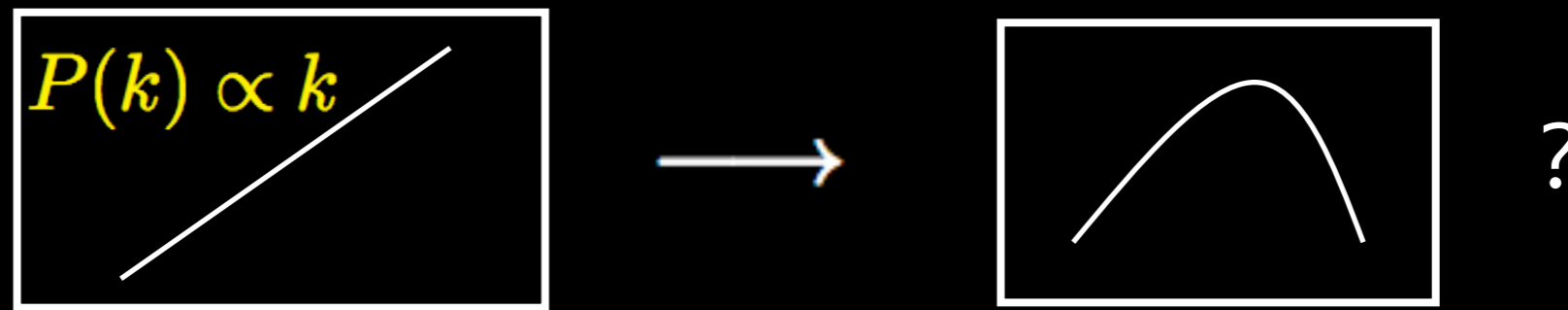
$$P(k) = Ak^n$$

Planck Collaboration 2018:

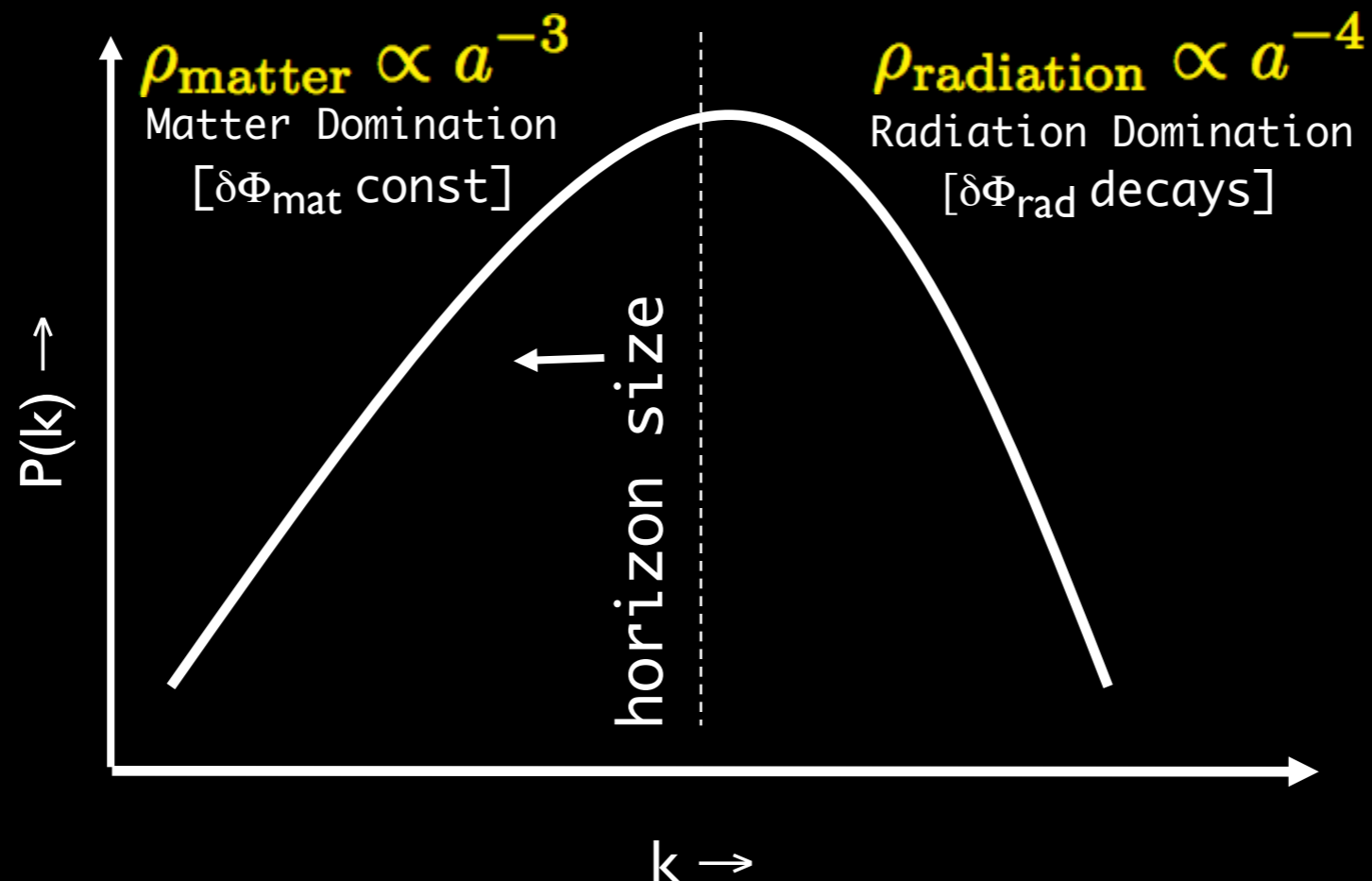
$$\ln(10^{10} A_s) = 3.047 \pm 0.014 \quad (0.46\%)$$

$$n = 0.9665 \pm 0.0038 \quad (0.39\%)$$

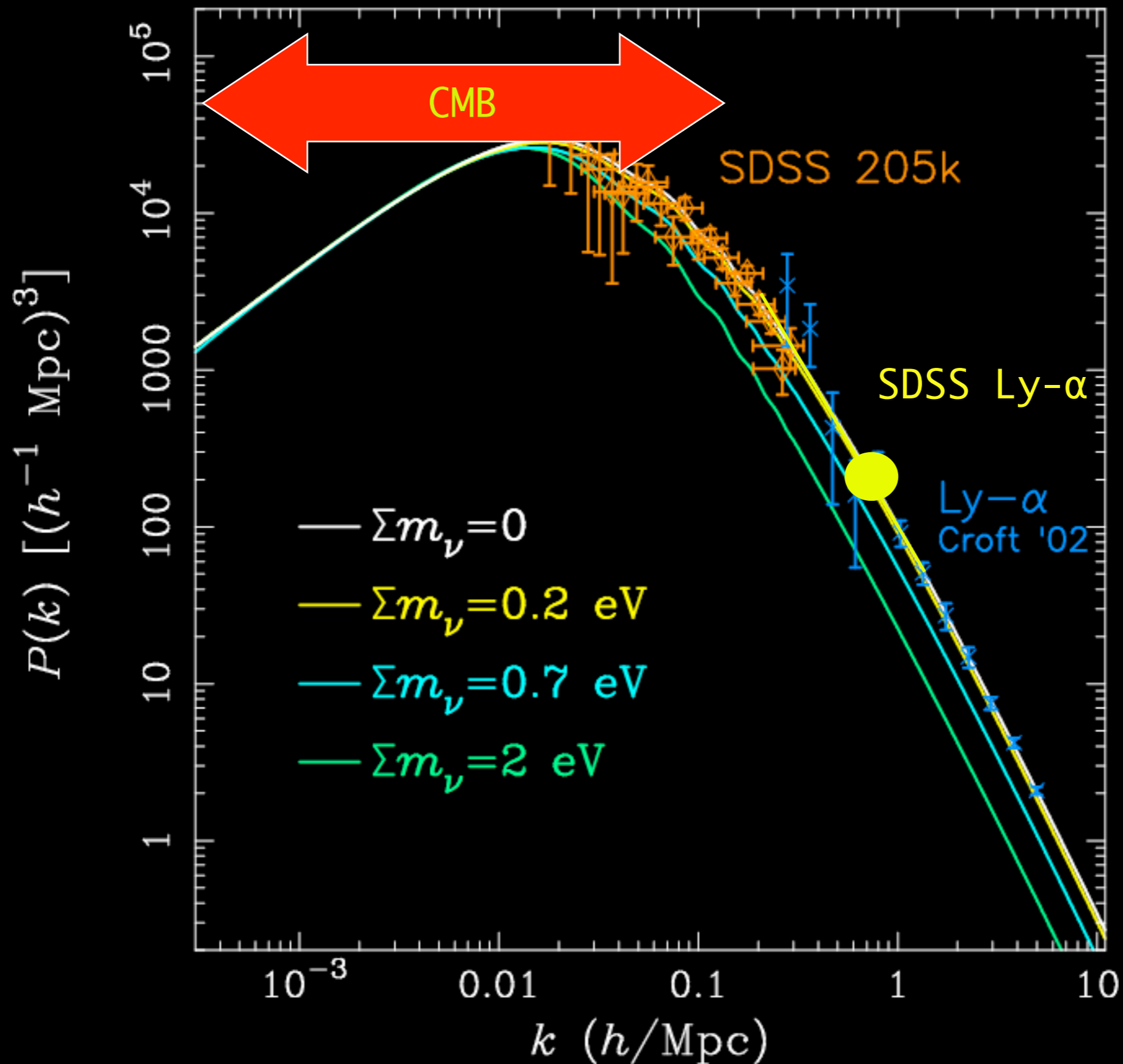
The Cosmological Matter Power Spectrum



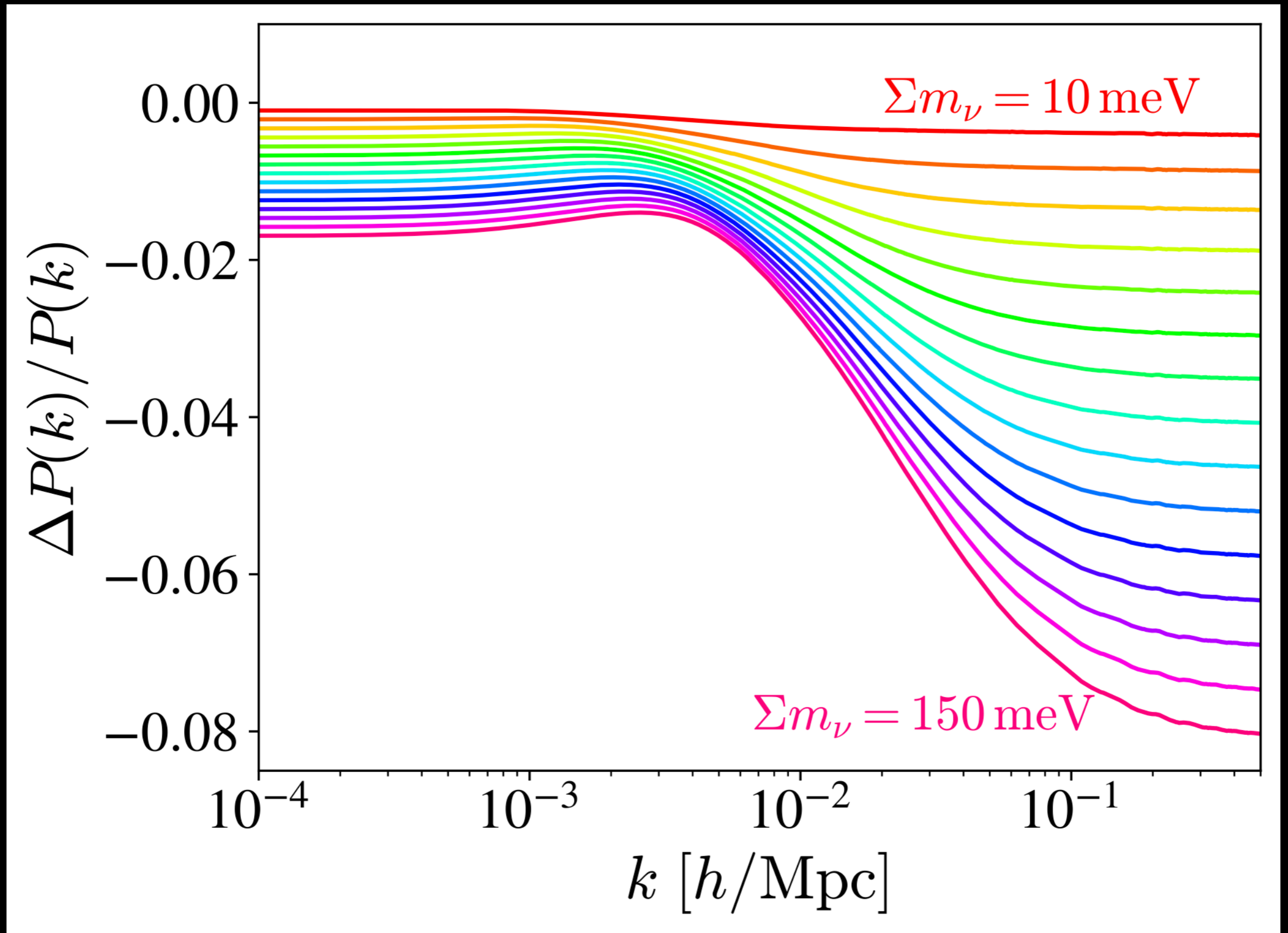
Perturbations enter horizon:



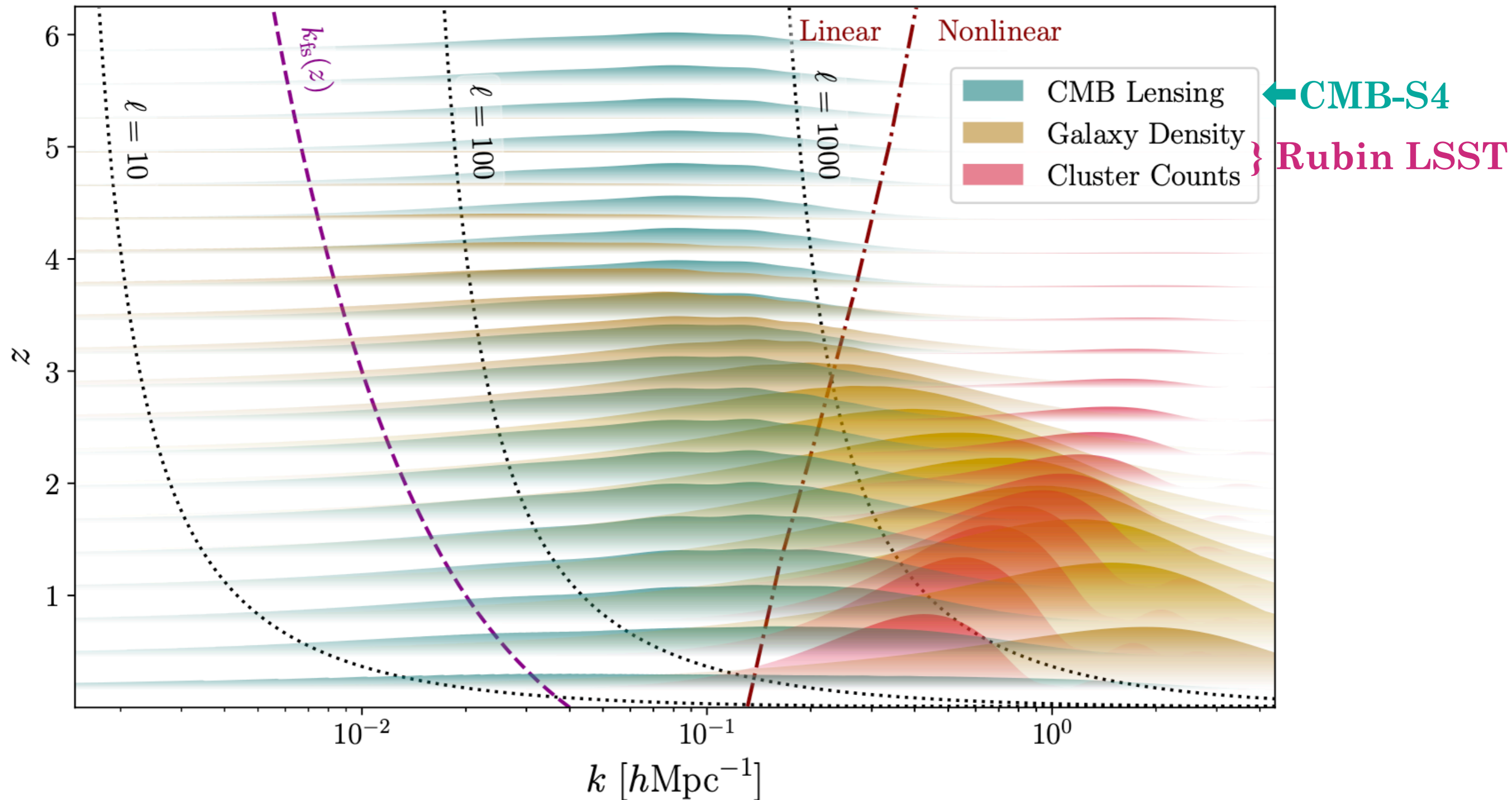
Measuring Large Scale Structure $P(k)$ & Σm_ν



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Observations' Sensitivity to LSS $P(k, z)$



Current Σm_ν Limits

Neutrino mass is degenerate with other cosmological parameters (Ω_m especially), so all cosmological data useful in improving constraints:

$$\Sigma m_\nu < 90 \text{ meV (95\% CL)}$$

CMB + CMB Lensing (Planck 2018)

+ Type Ia SNe (Pantheon)

+ BAO + RSD (SDSS DR12+DR16)

Di Valentino, Gariazzo &

Mena, arXiv:2106.15267

Employing the most robust data sets, statistical validations, theory accuracy

CMB (Planck 2018)

+ Type Ia SNe (Pantheon)

+ BAO + RSD (SDSS DR16)

García-Escudero & Abazajian, in prep.

**NO preferred over IO
at 1.80σ**

**$m_\nu = 0$ preferred over NO
at 1.83σ**

Estimating Upcoming Cosmological Neutrino Mass Sensitivities

$$\frac{\Delta P(k)}{P(k)} \approx 1\% \approx -8 \frac{\Omega_\nu}{\Omega_m}$$

Hu, Eisenstein & Tegmark 1998

$$\Omega_\nu \approx \frac{\sum m_{\nu_i}}{93 h^2 \text{ eV}}$$

$$\implies \sigma(\sum m_\nu) \lesssim (1\%/8) \times \Omega_m (93 h^2 \text{ eV})$$

$$\implies \sigma(\sum m_\nu) \lesssim 20 \text{ meV}$$

Kaplinghat et al PRL 2003 (CMB WL)

Wang et al PRL 2005 (WL Clusters)

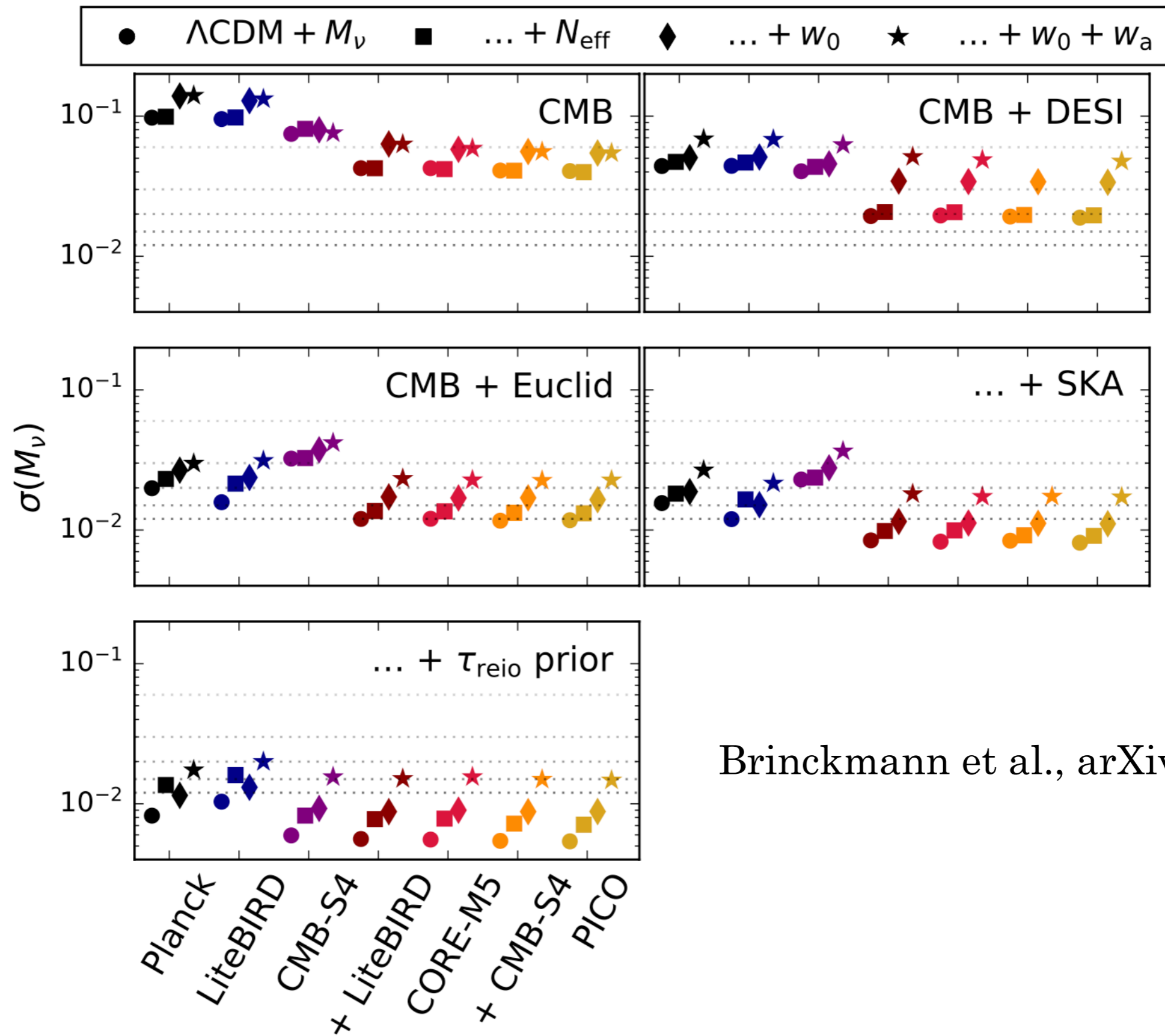
De Bernardis et al. 2009 (Opt. WL)

Joudaki & Kaplinghat 2011 (LSST)

Basse et al. 2013 (Euclid)

Wu et al. 2014 (CMB-S4 + DESI)

Sensitivity Forecasts for Neutrino Mass with Standard Model Extension Dependence



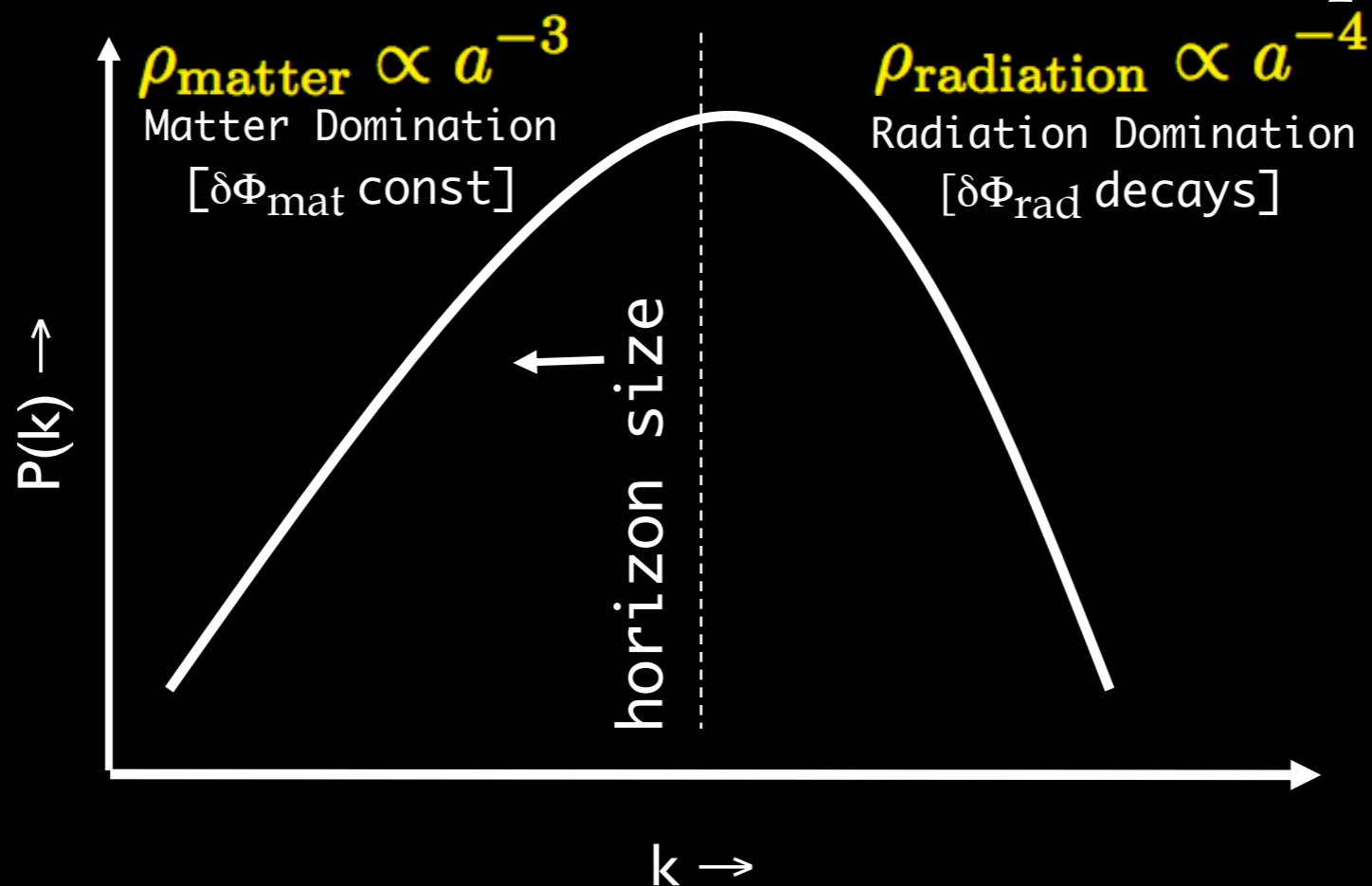
Brinckmann et al., arXiv:1808.05955

N_{eff}

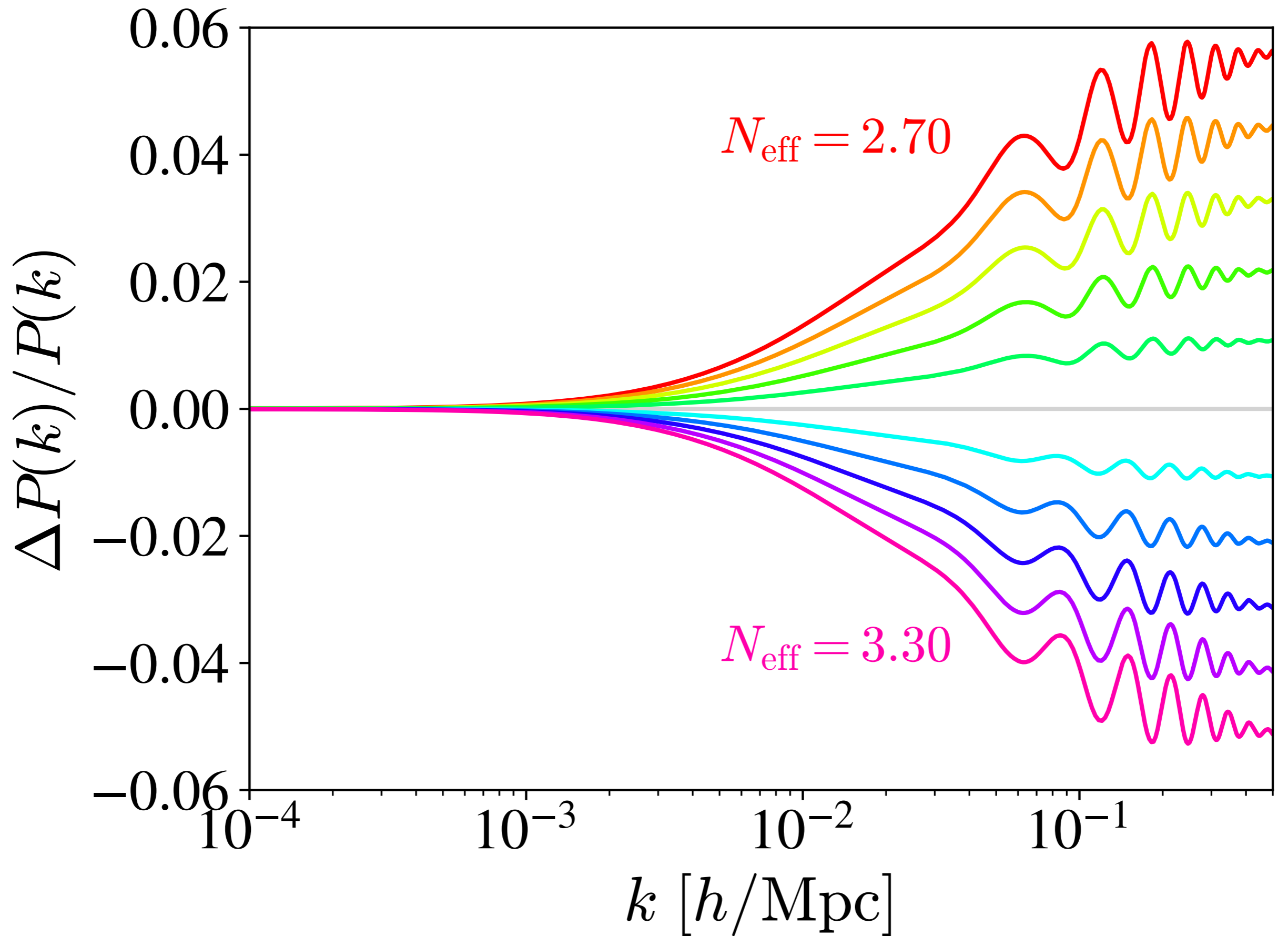
Cosmological Matter Power Spectrum & CMB Measures of N_{eff}

For Large Scale Structure:

Perturbations enter horizon at M/R equality



N_{eff} Effects on Matter Clustering



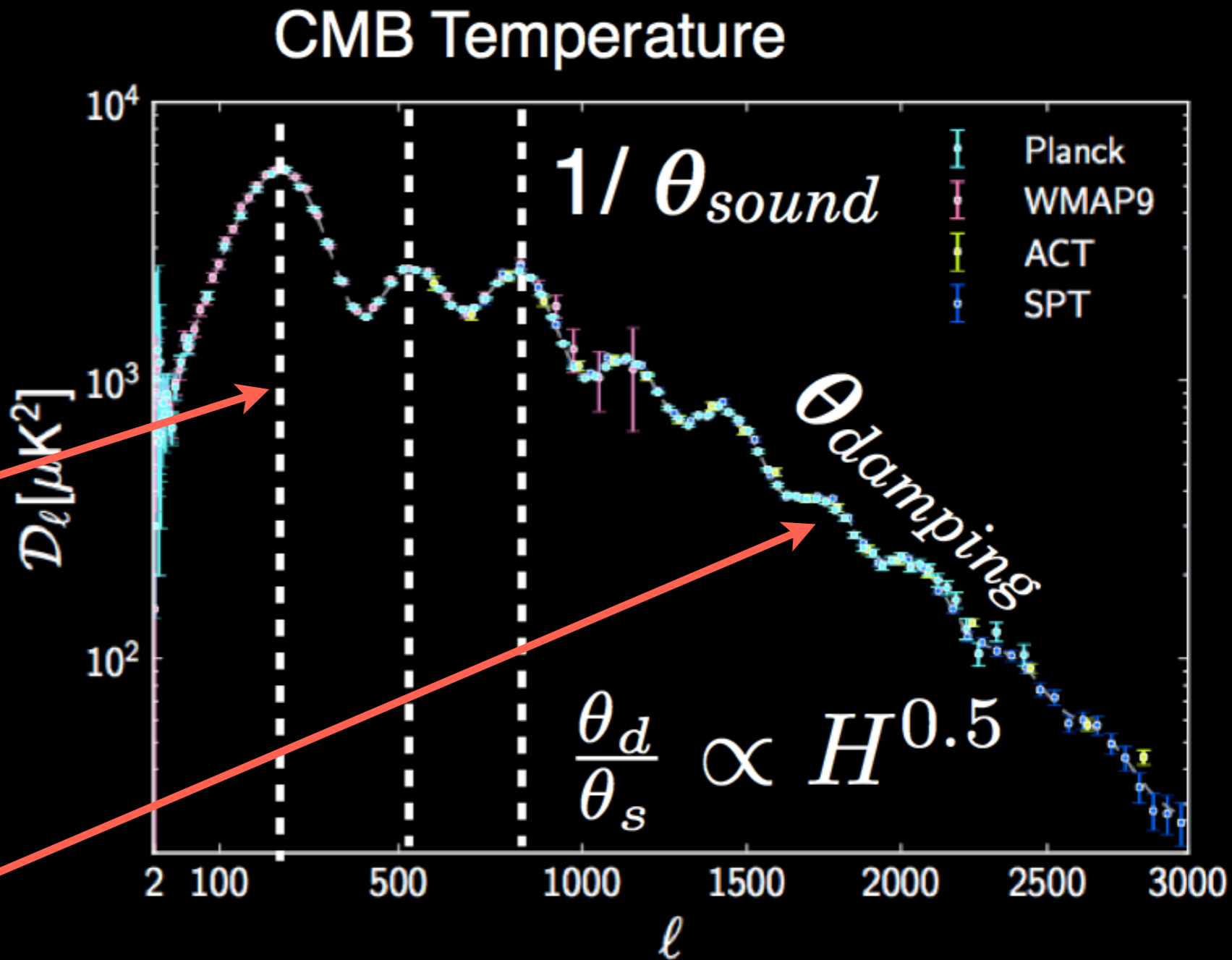
N_{eff} Effects on CMB

$$\frac{\theta_{\text{damping}}}{\theta_{\text{sound}}} \propto H^{1/2}$$

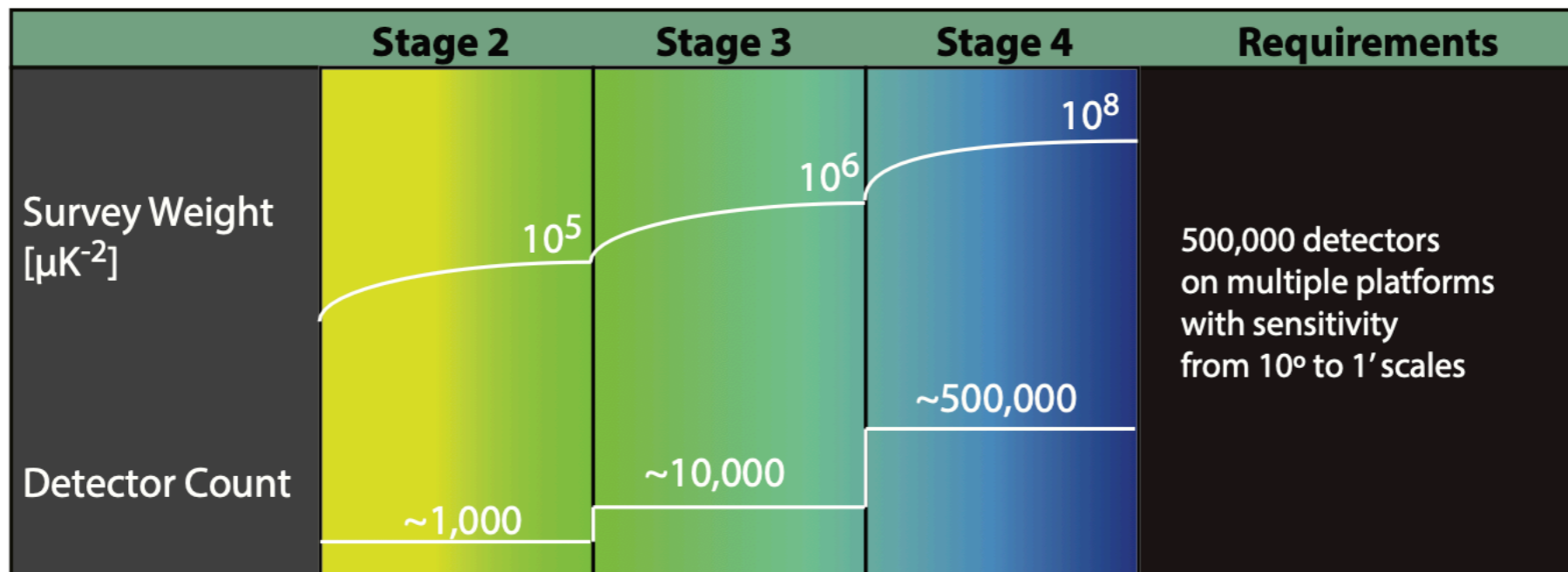
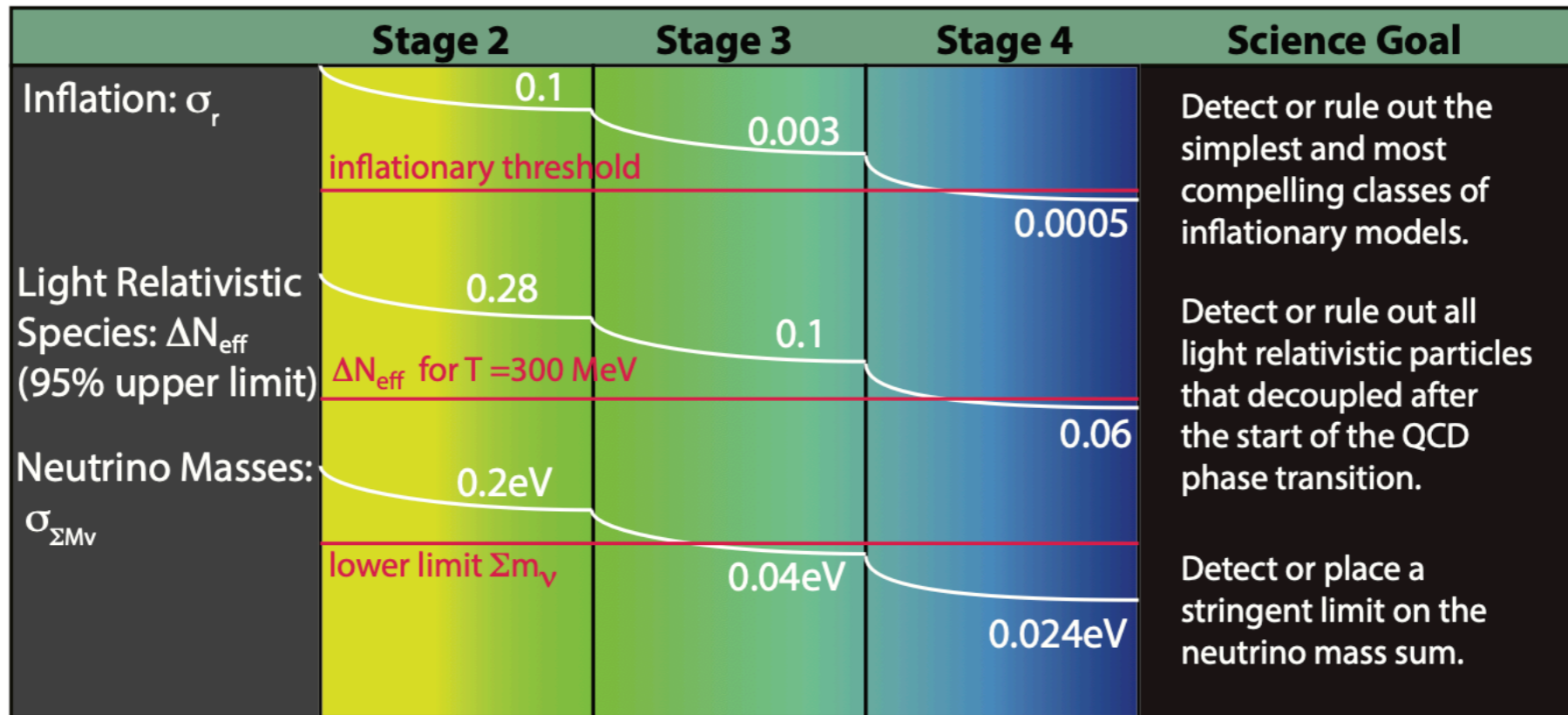
Larger N_{eff} Leads to More Damping

Angular scale of acoustic peaks $\theta_s \sim r_s/D$ is known precisely

Angular scale of damping $\theta_d \sim r_d/D$ measured more recently



Σm_ν and N_ν (N_{eff}) Forecast

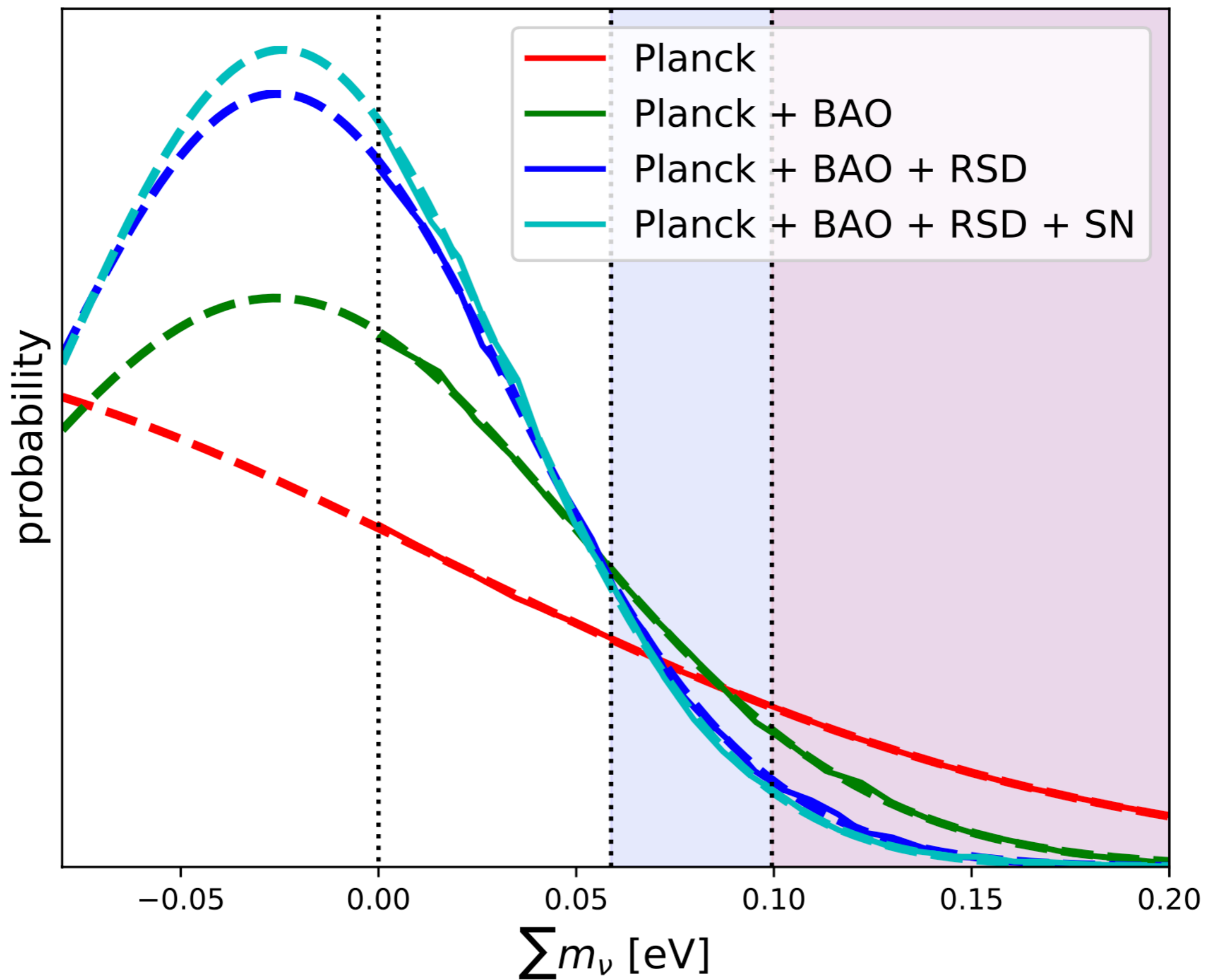


Tensions!
&
New Physics?

“standard” dark matter

Σm_ν

Planck 2018 Strongly Prefers $\Sigma m_\nu = 0$ ($\Sigma m_\nu \stackrel{?}{<} 0$)



Tension Data Sets May Prefer Large Σm_ν or N_{eff}

- **σ_8 Tension:**

Planck 2018 + BOSS DR12 + KIDS-1000 self-calibration (Sgier et al. arXiv:2110.03815):

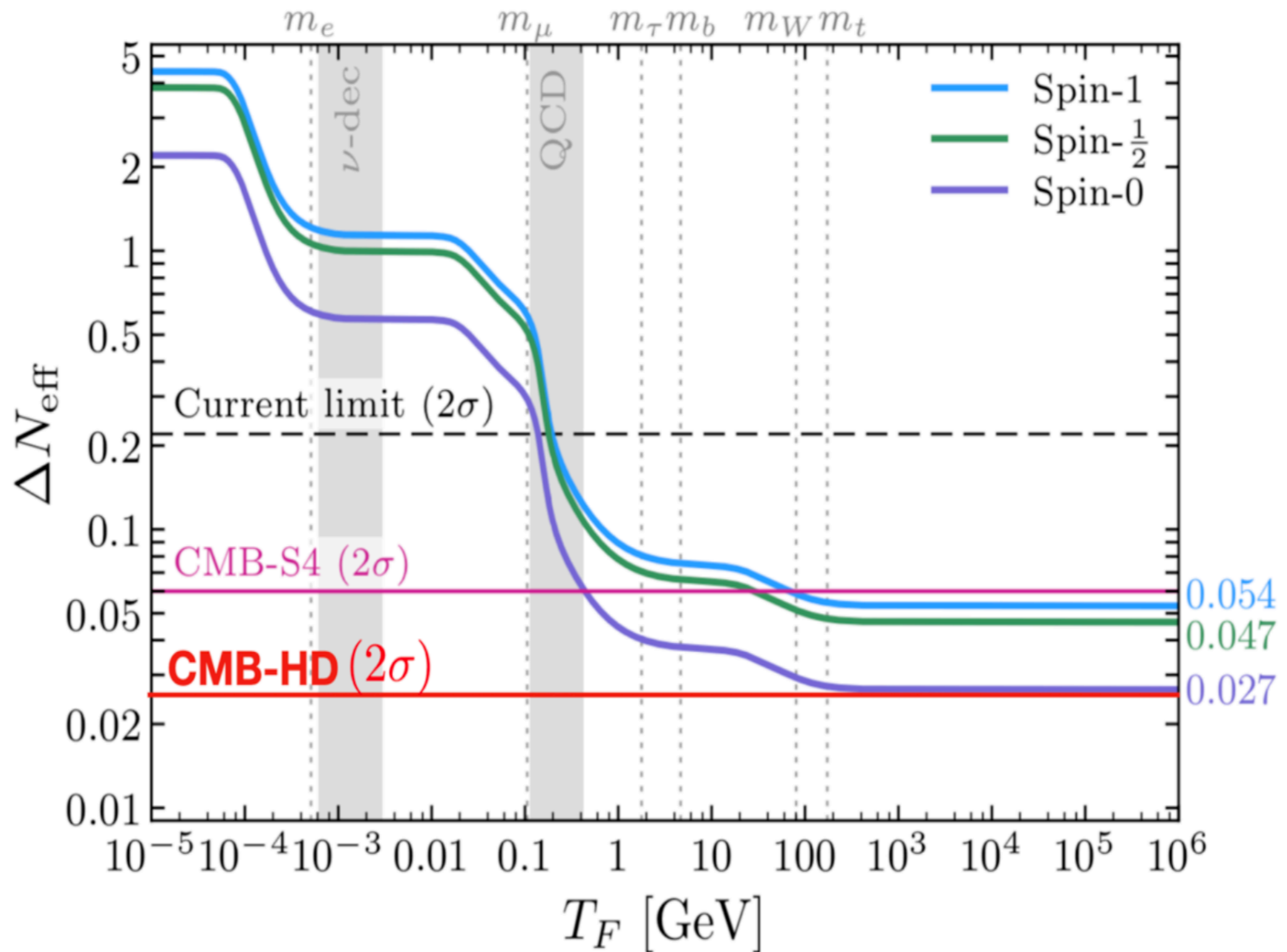
$$\Sigma m_\nu = 0.51^{+0.21}_{-0.24} \text{ eV}$$

- **H_0 Tension:**

Planck 2018 + BOSS DR16 + Pantheon + 2021 SH0eS H_0 (Garcia Escudero+ arXiv: 2208.14435):

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.48 \pm 0.12$$

N_{eff} : Not just Neutrinos, Light Relics



nonstandard dark matter

V vs *S*

Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter Production

$$\Gamma_\alpha(p) \sim G_F^2 p T^4 \sim T^5$$

$$\Gamma(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_s) \sim \frac{\Gamma_\alpha(p) \Delta^2(p) \sin^2 2\theta}{\Delta^2(p) \sin^2 2\theta + D^2(p) + [\Delta(p) \cos 2\theta - V^L(p) - V^T(p)]^2}$$

$$D(p)^2 \sim T^{10}$$

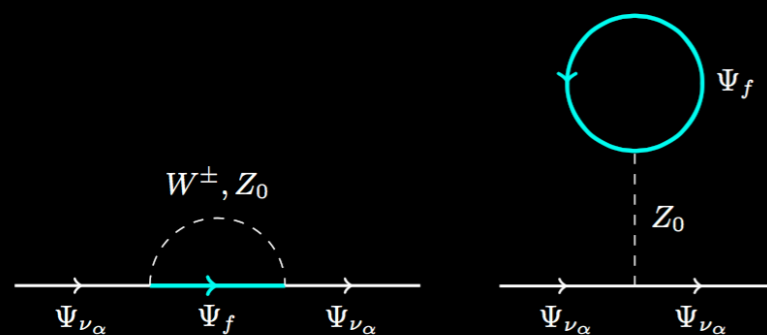
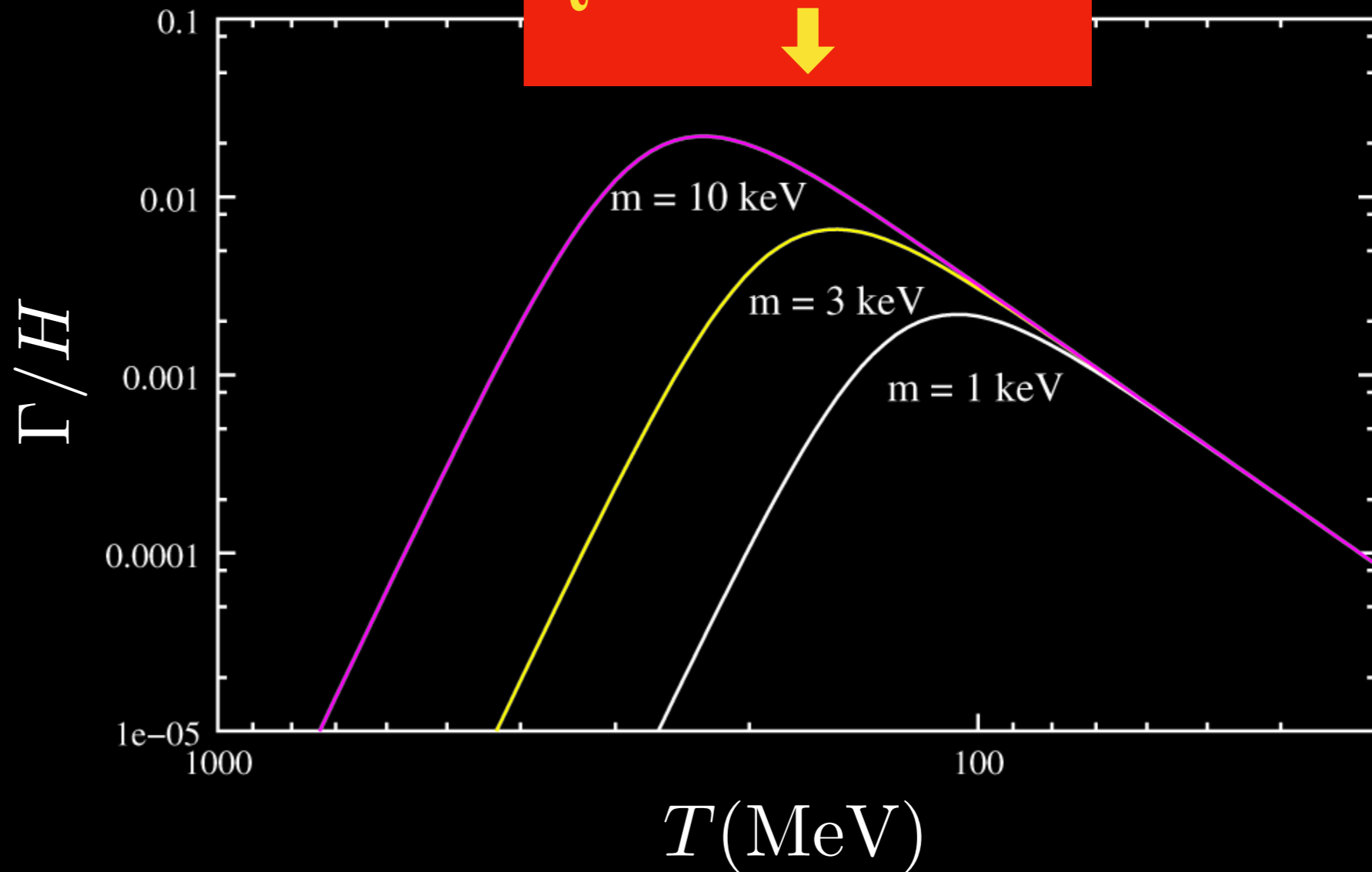
$$[V^T]^2 \sim T^{10}$$

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3} G\rho \sim T^4$$

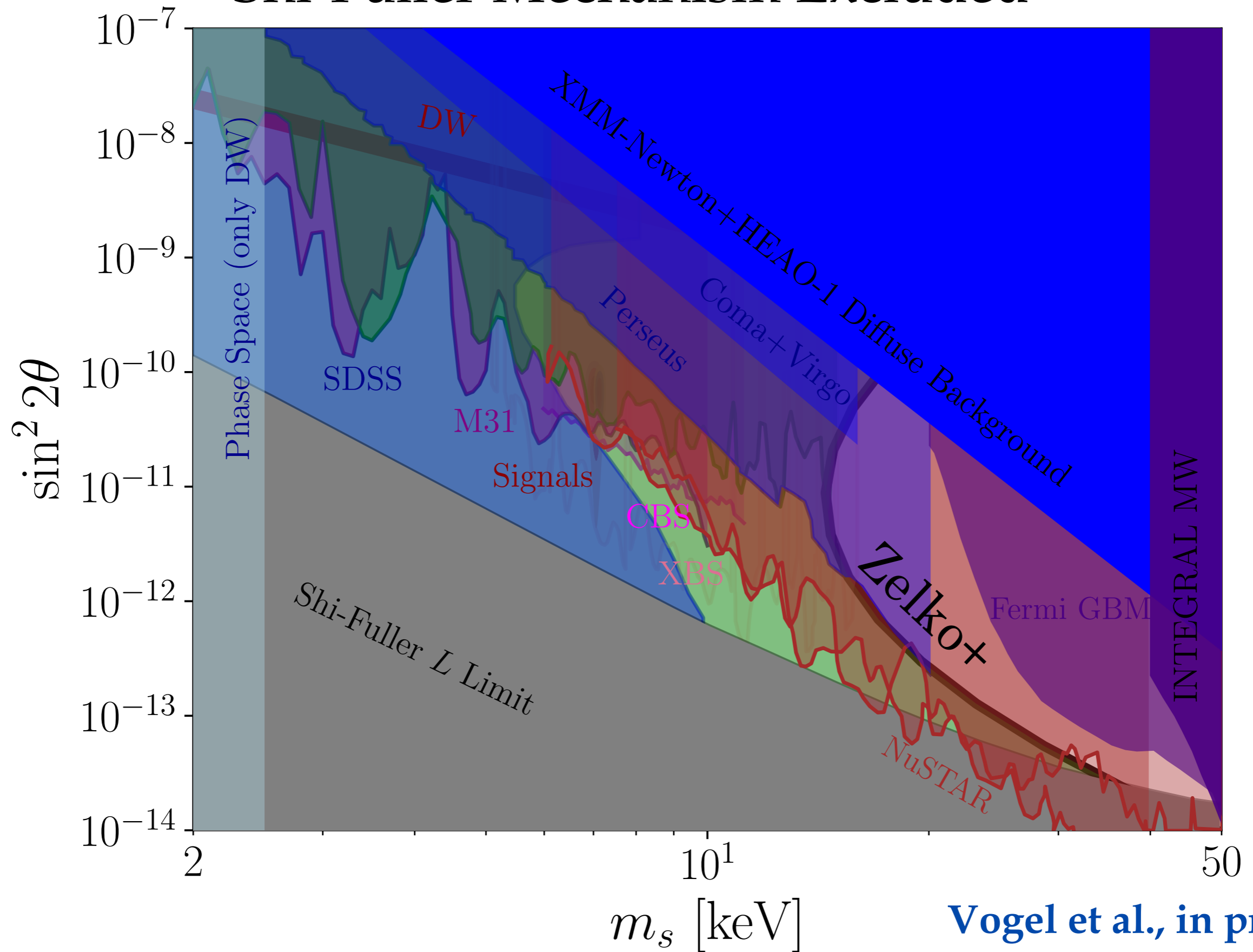
$$\frac{\Gamma}{H} \sim \begin{cases} T^{-9} & \text{High } T \\ T^3 & \text{Low } T \end{cases}$$

Never in Equilibrium!!

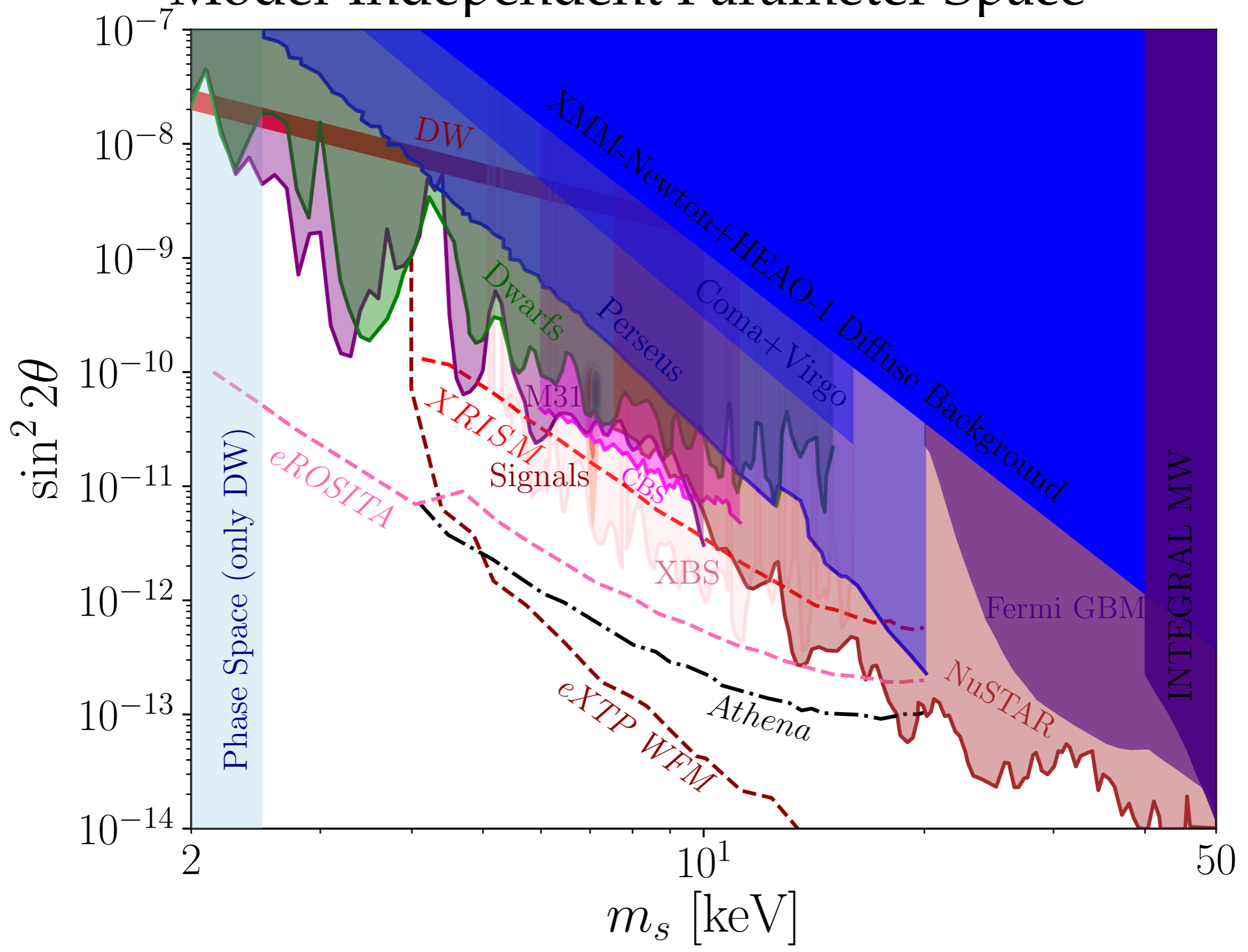
QCD Transition



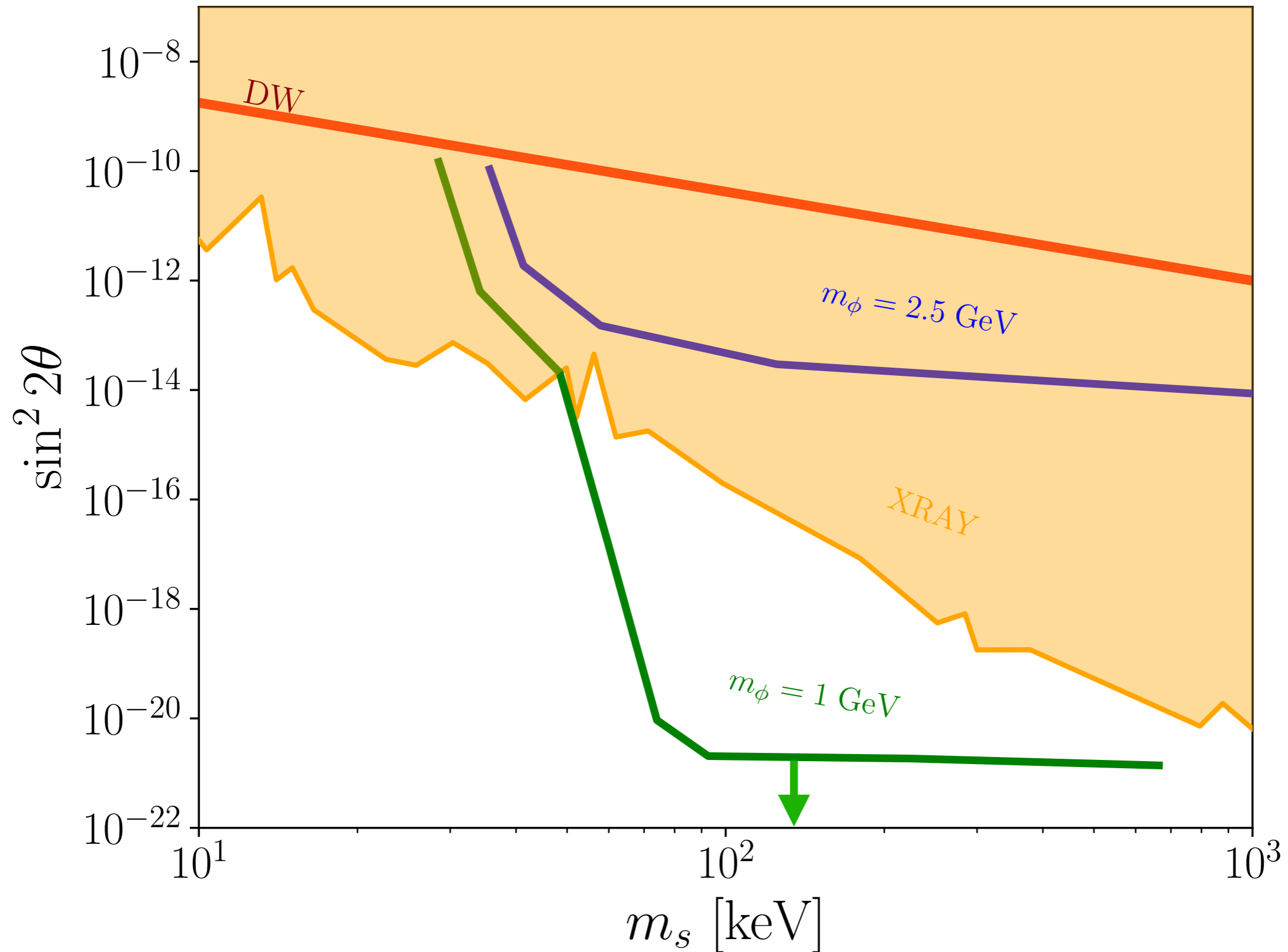
Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter: Shi-Fuller Mechanism Excluded



Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter: Model-Independent Parameter Space



Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter: NSI Assisted Production

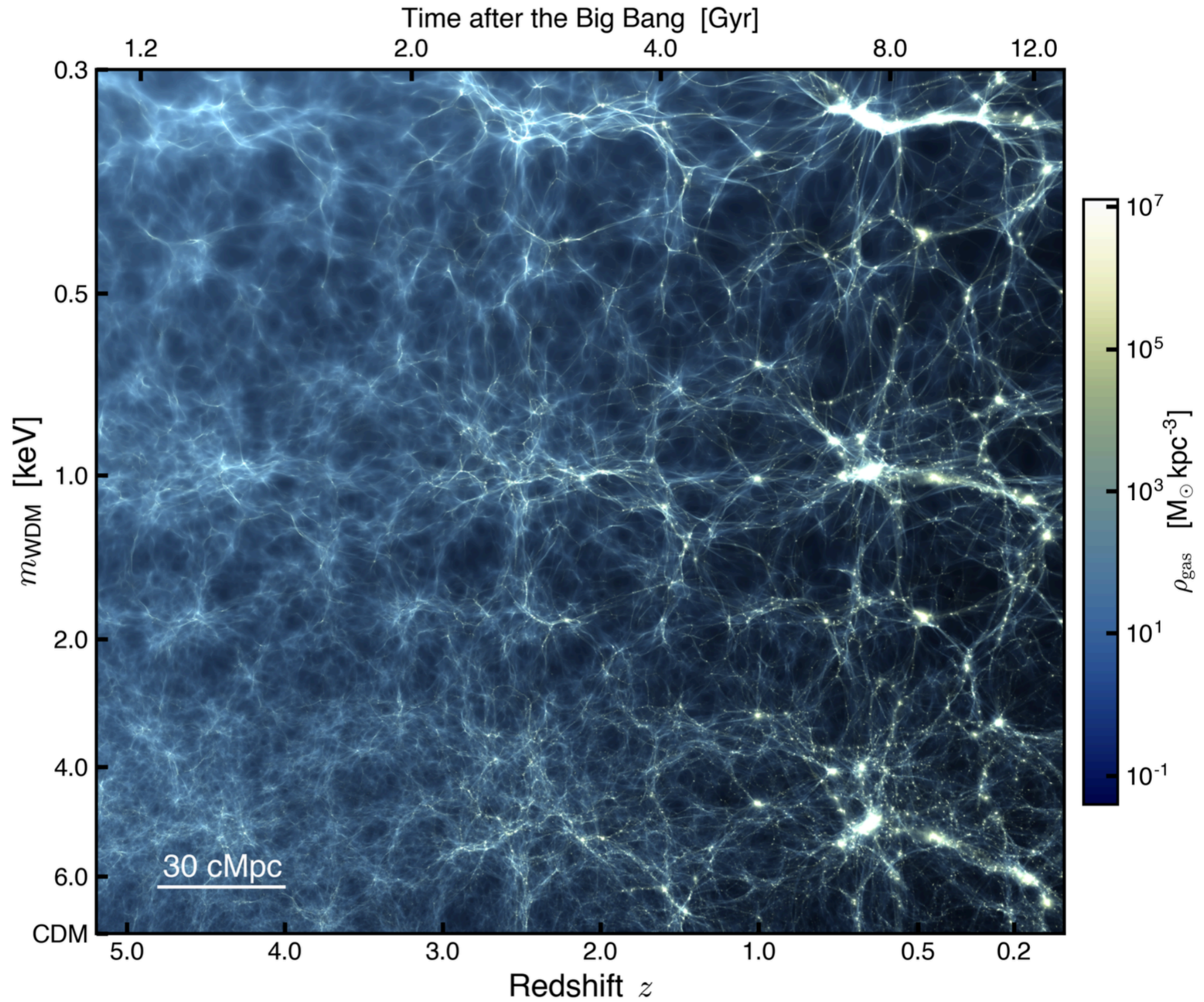


nonstandard dark matter

WDM

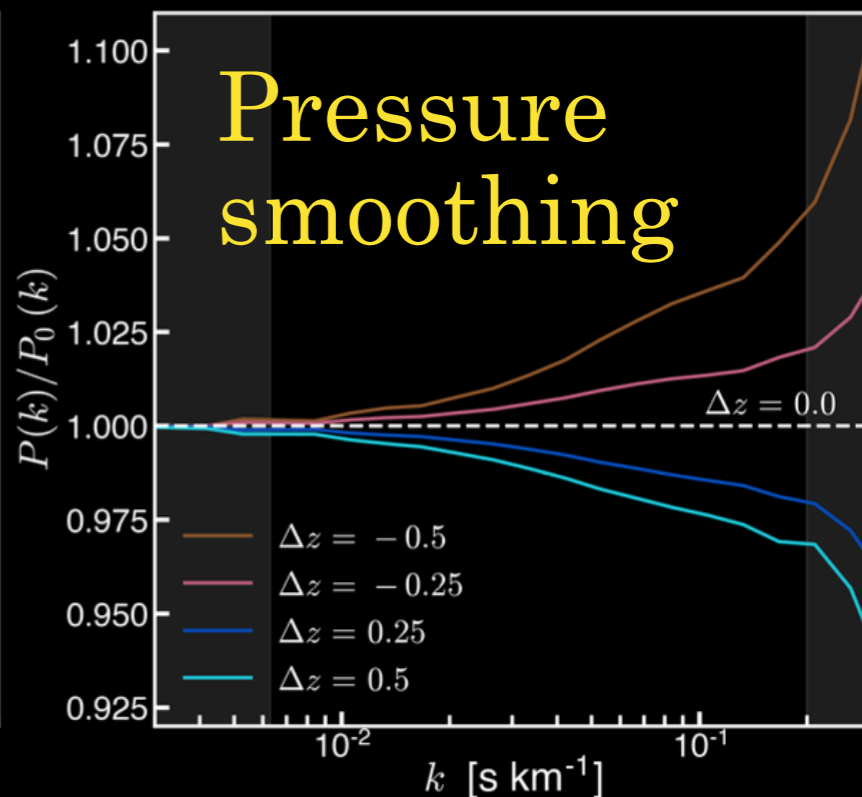
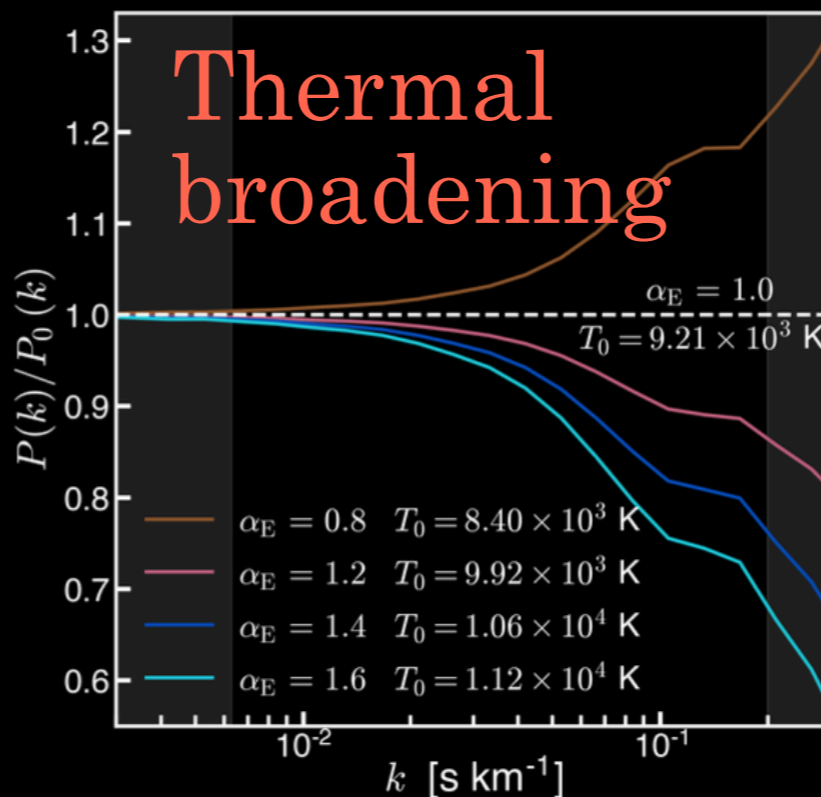
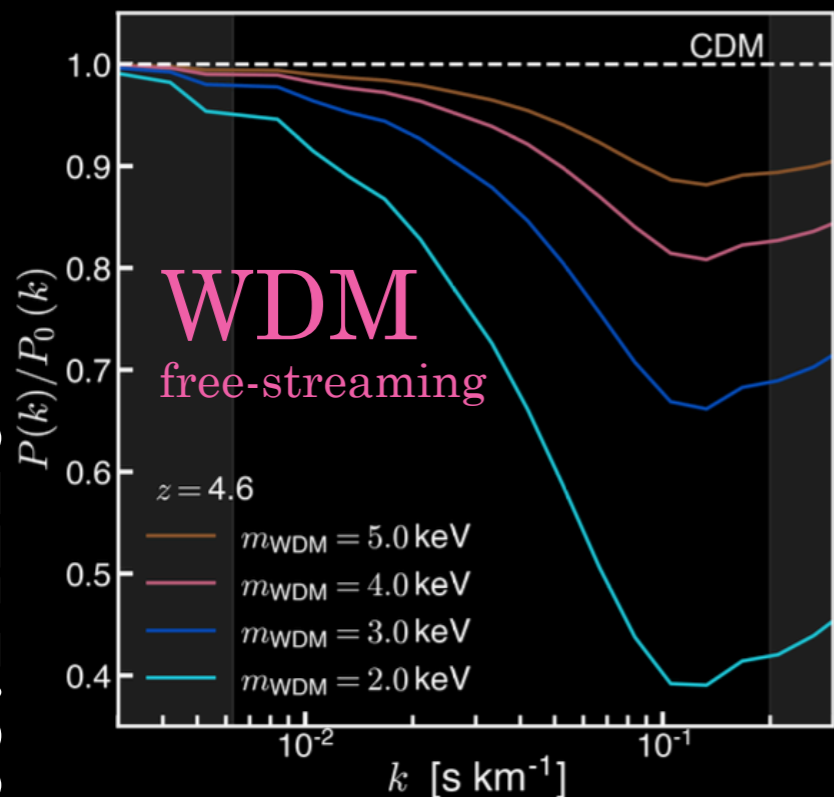
Simulation Resolution to Match Ly- α Observations

Villaseñor+ 2209.14220



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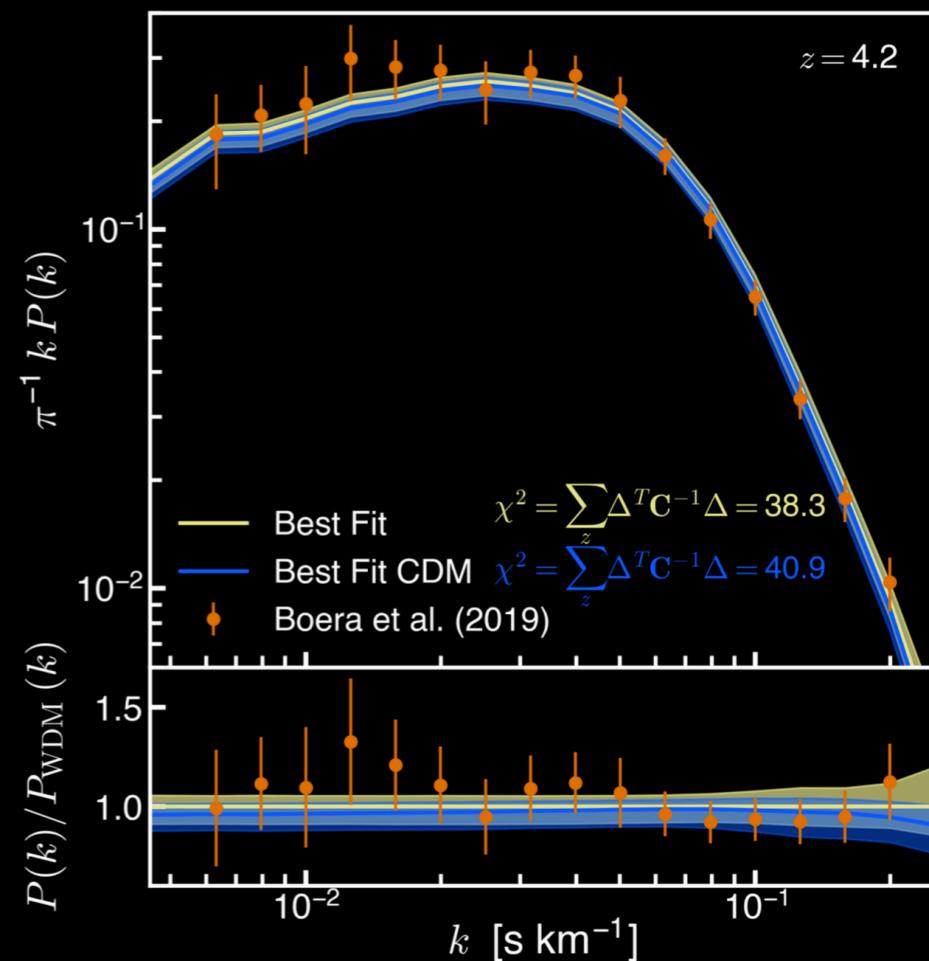
1080 $2 \times 10^{24}^3$ particle sims

“We find a weak (3σ) preference for WDM over Λ CDM”

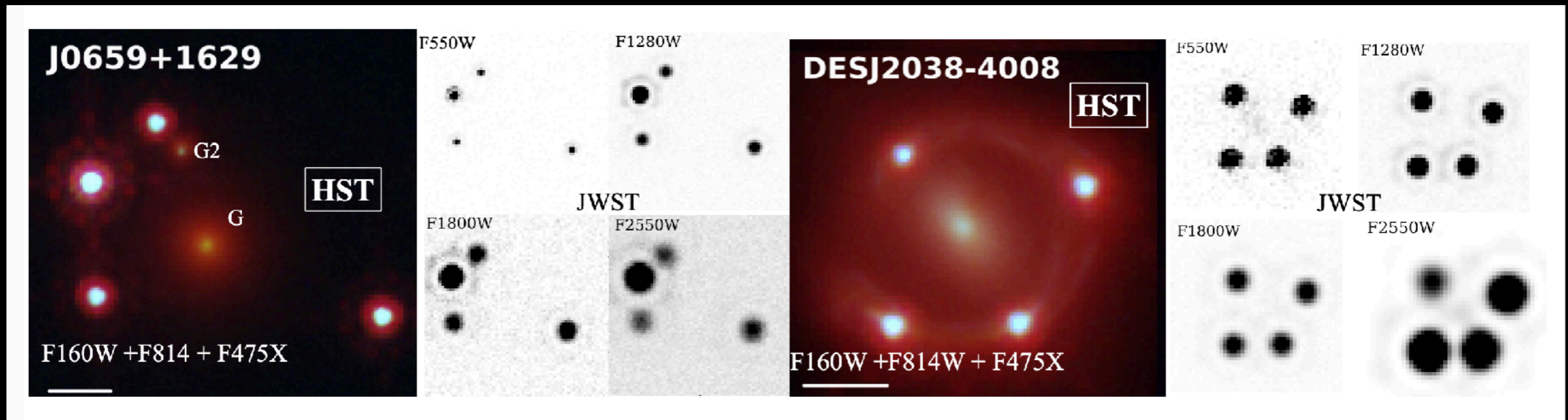
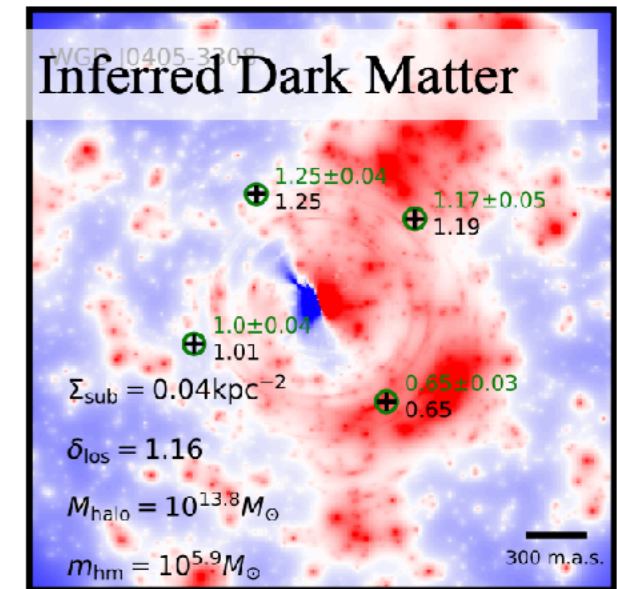
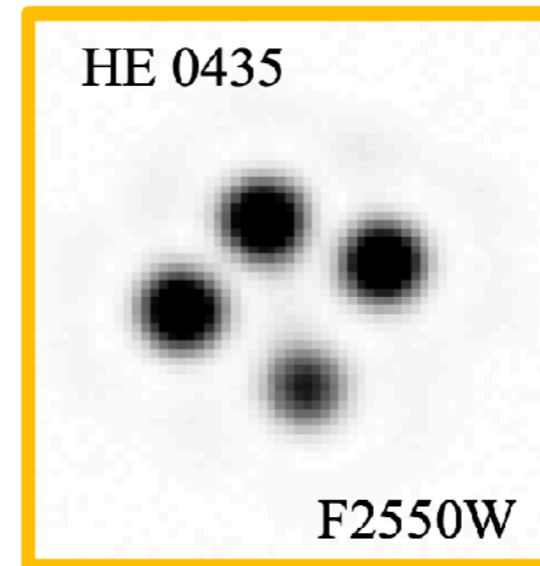
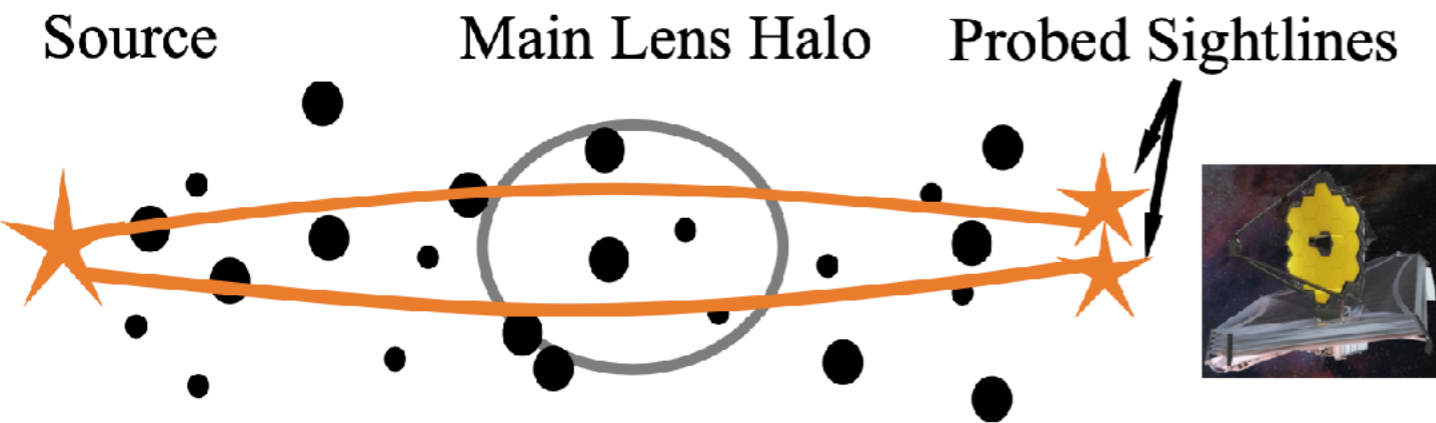
$$m_{\text{th,WDM}} = 4.5_{-1.4}^{+45} \text{ keV}$$

DESI, EUCLID, LSST, WEAVE forecast (1/4 covariance)

$$m_{\text{th,WDM}} = 4.5_{-1.0}^{+1.9} \text{ keV}$$



Strong Lensing Tests of WDM: Quadruply-Lensed Systems



Lensing substructure constraint: $m_{th} > 5.3 \text{ keV}$ (Gilman+ 2019)
Studied in a wide range of sterile neutrino DM models (Zelko+ '22)
JWST Cycle 1 Proposal (Ryan Keeley+ in prep.): $m_{th} > 10 \text{ keV}$

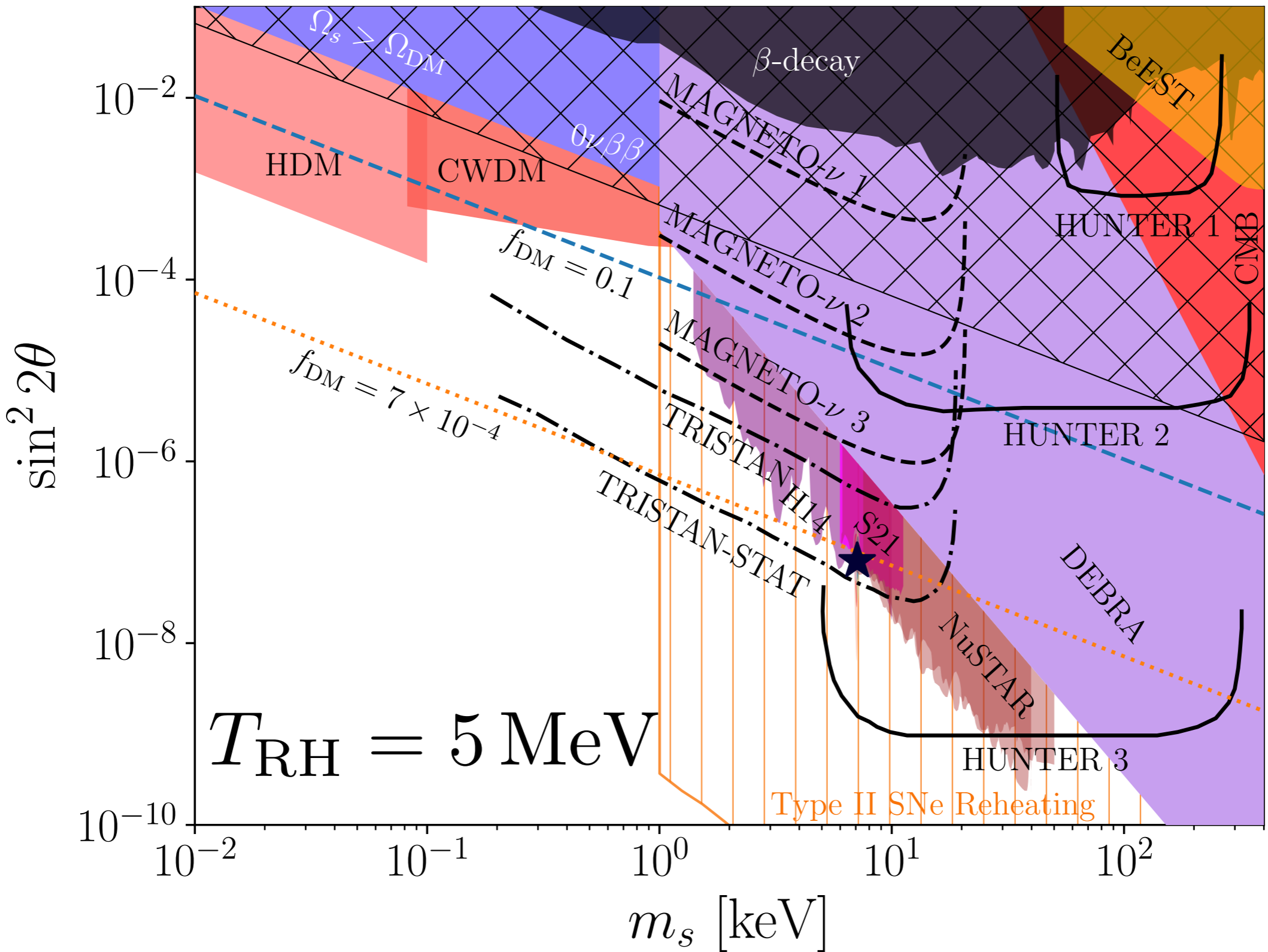
nonstandard cosmological thermal history

$$T_{\text{RH}} \gtrsim 1.8 \text{ MeV}$$

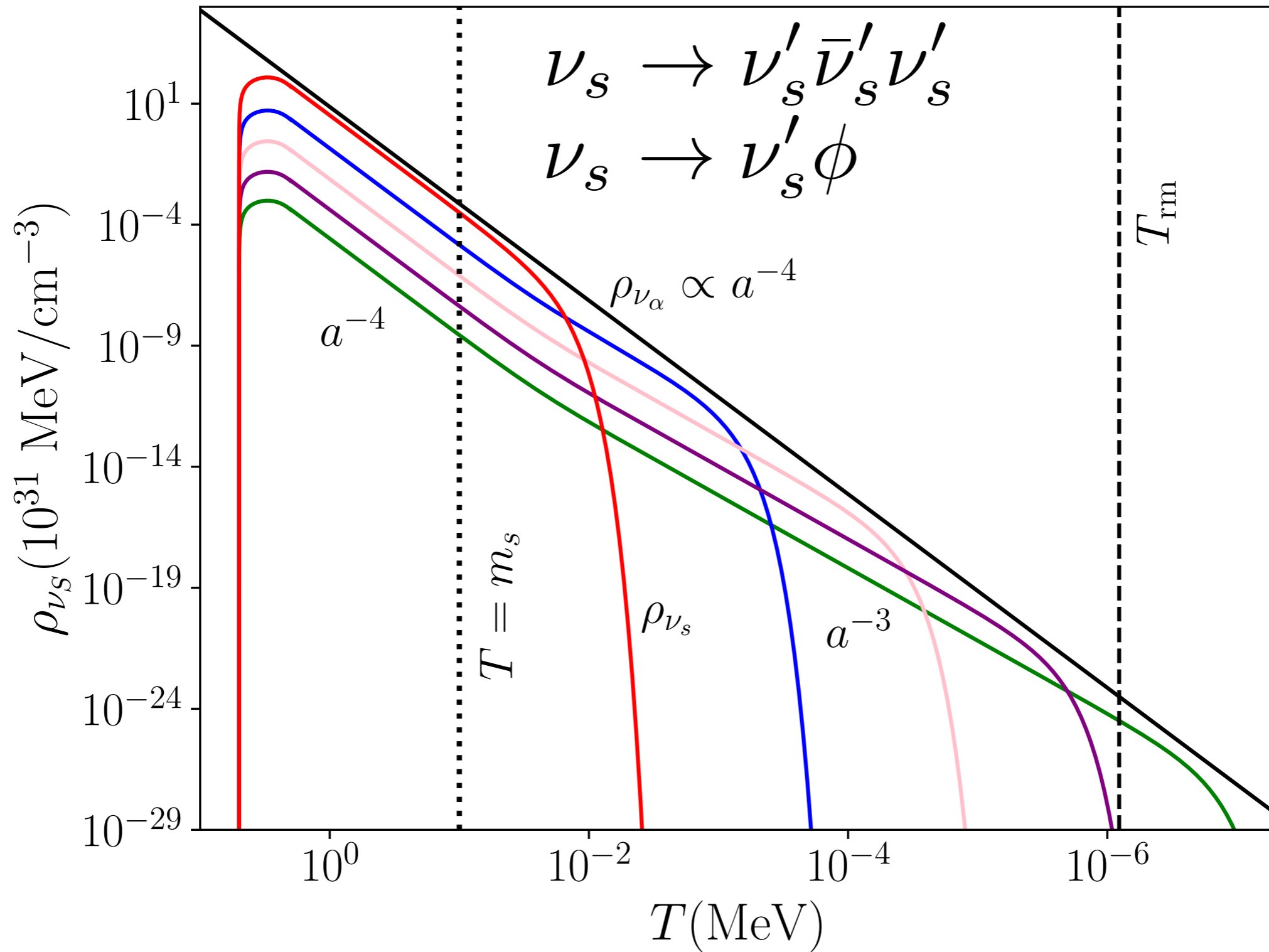
Low Reheating Temperature Universes

Abazajian & García-Escudero 2309.11492

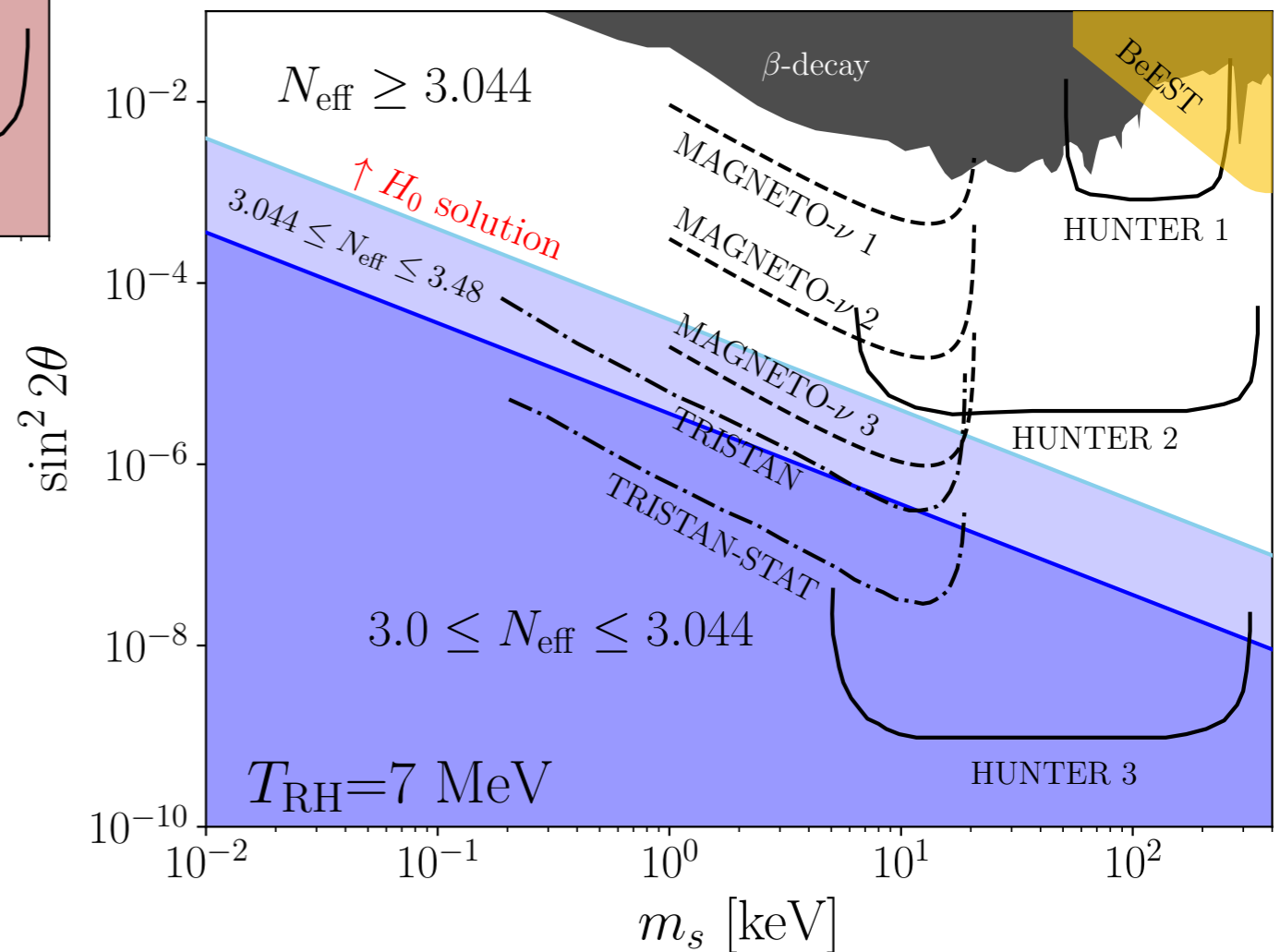
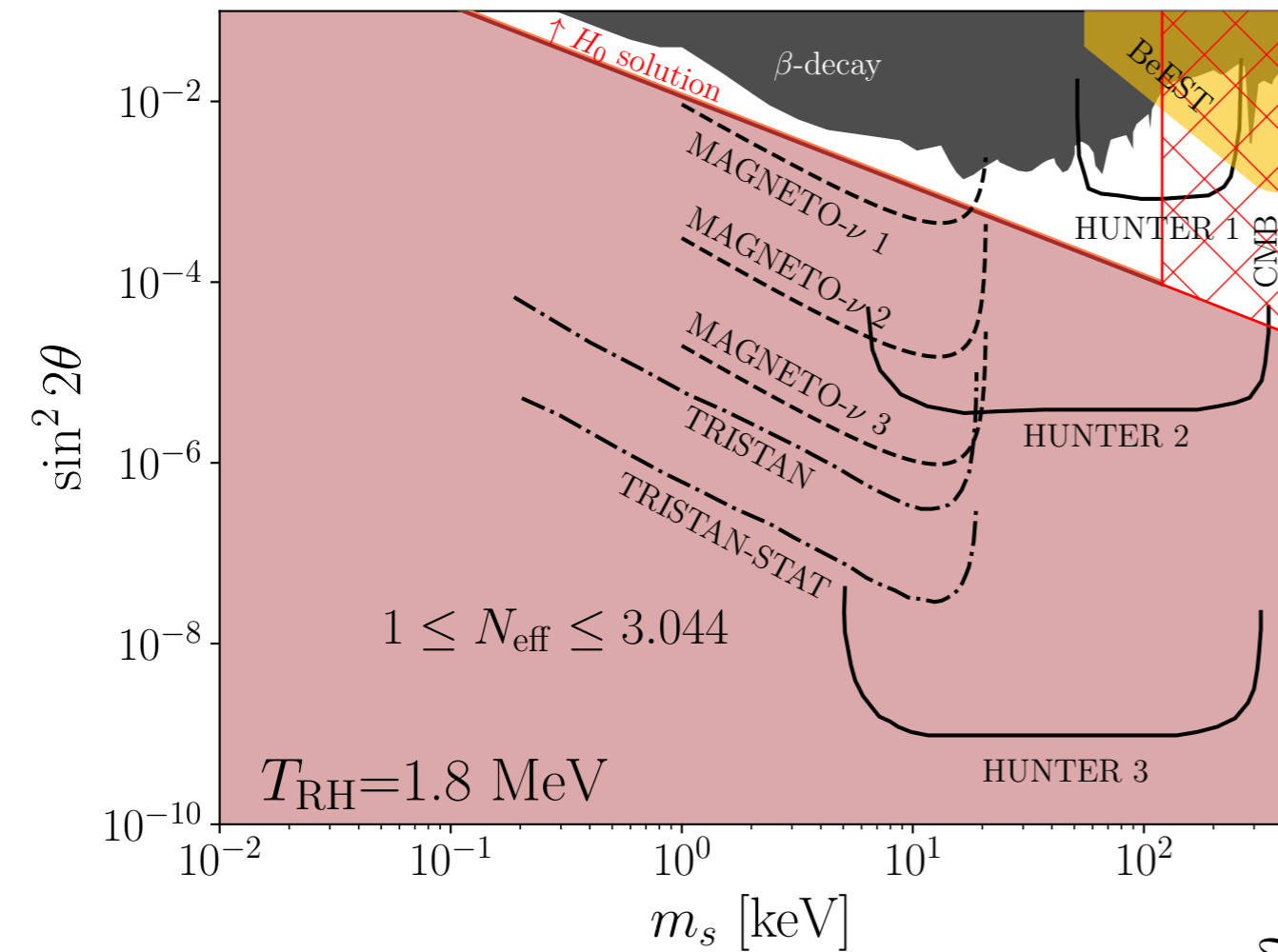
Gelmini, Palomares-Ruiz & Pascoli astro-ph/0403323



Low Reheating Temperature Universes with *decaying* ν_s



Low Reheating Temperature Universes with decaying ν_s



Cosmology & Neutrinos:

- **Cake:**

Σm_ν & N_{eff} : 2-3 σ + measurements of

$\Sigma m_\nu = 58 \text{ meV}$ and $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.044$

in ~ 10 years

- **Icing:**

Surprises from tensions, novel early universe scenarios & dark matter models