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# The Higgs and Cosmology

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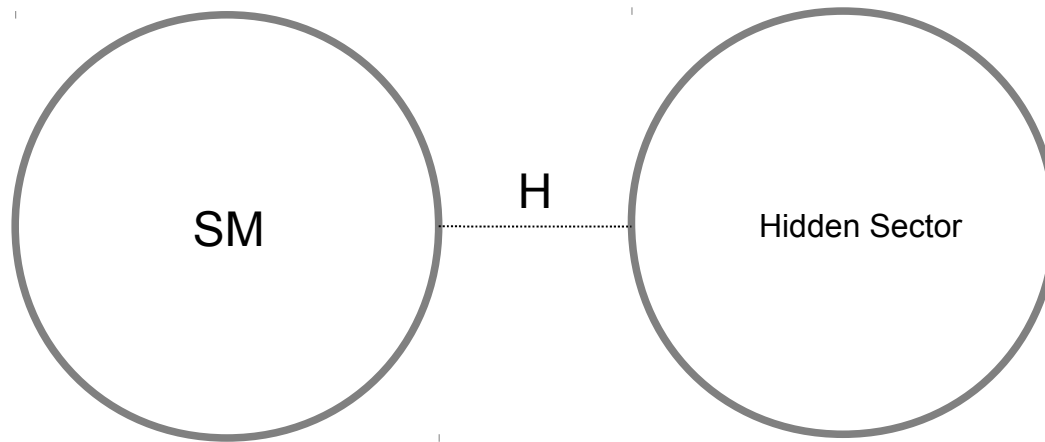
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# The Higgs and the hidden sector



Lowest order operators ("Higgs Portal") :

$$\bar{H}H S^2 + \dots \quad (\text{scalar})$$

$$\bar{H}H V_\mu V^\mu + \dots \quad (\text{vector})$$

$$\bar{H}H \bar{\chi} \chi / \Lambda + \dots \quad (\text{fermion})$$

"Portal" due to Patt, Wilczek'06 (earlier : Silveira, Zee'85; Shabinger, Wells'05;...)

## Special role of the Higgs :

Silveira, Zee '85  
Veltman, Yndurain '89  
...

$|H|^2$  = the only gauge and Lorentz-inv. dim-2 operator

$$L = a |H|^2 S^2 + b |H|^2 S$$

(  $S$  = "hidden" scalar )

$b=0$  ( $S$  has hidden charge):

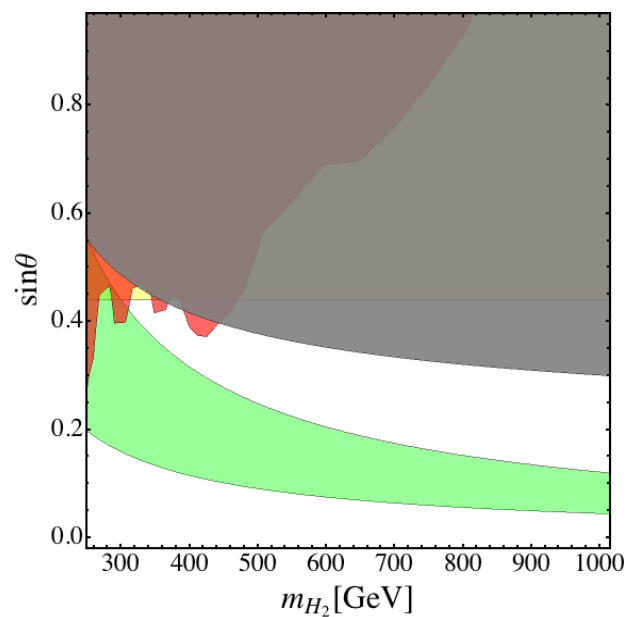
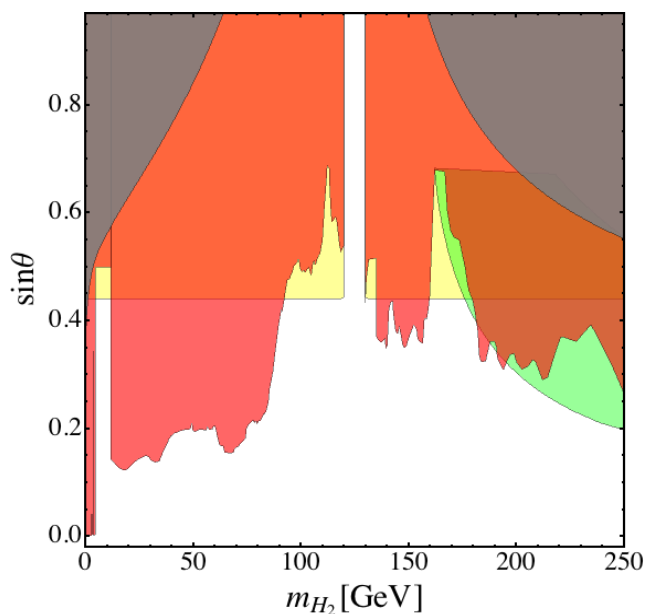
$$L = a |H|^2 S^2$$

" $S$ " is stable and couples weakly to SM    -->    **DARK MATTER (?)**

## Constraints on Higgs-singlet mixing :

$H_1 = 125$  GeV Higgs ;  $H_2 =$  extra Higgs ;  $\theta =$  mixing angle

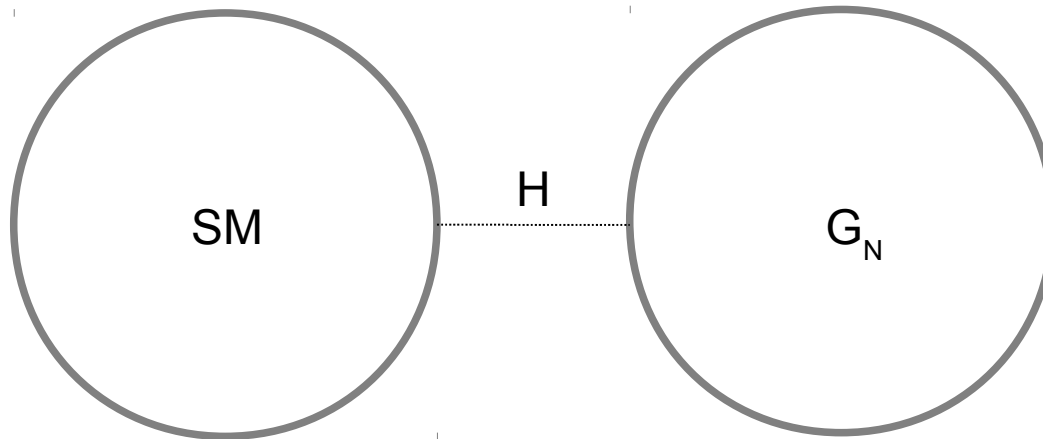
Falkowski, Gross, OL '15



Grey = EW precision data , Yellow = LHC Higgs couplings , Reddish = B-physics, LEP, LHC

Green (optional) = Higgs potential stability/perturbativity up to  $M_{pl}$

# The Higgs and dark matter



$$V \sim \bar{H}H \bar{S}S$$



H-S mixing



**h couples to  $G_N$**

Lie groups possess discrete symmetries



gauge fields as dark matter

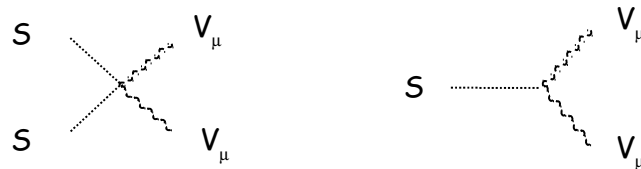
$$\text{E.g. } U(1) : A_\mu \rightarrow -A_\mu$$



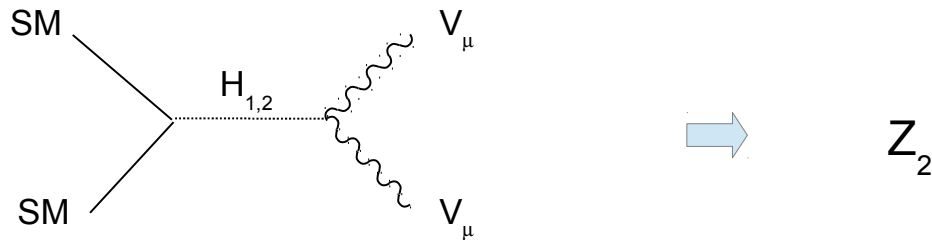
## Higgs mechanism in the hidden sector :

$$L = -1/4 F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + D_{\mu} S^* D^{\mu} S - V(S) + \lambda/4 \bar{H} H S^* S$$

$S \longrightarrow \text{VEV}$



SM couplings:

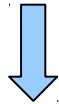


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gauge invariance (+ minimal field content)



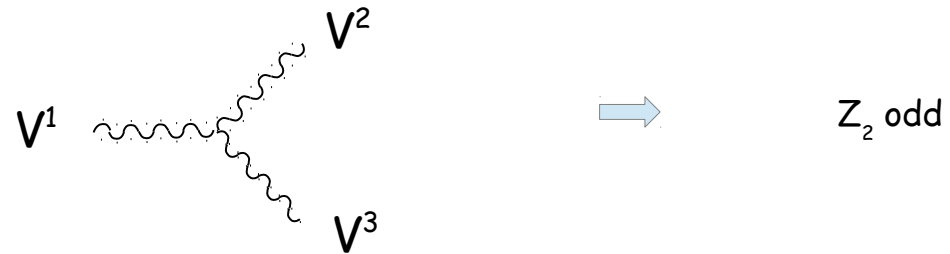
$Z_2$



gauge fields are natural DM candidates

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Non-abelian case:



But there are 2  $Z_2$ 's:

$$\begin{aligned} V^{1,2} &\rightarrow -V^{1,2} & , & & V^3 &\rightarrow V^3 \\ V^{1,3} &\rightarrow -V^{1,3} & , & & V^2 &\rightarrow V^2 \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow V^a = \text{stable}$$

$$\text{hidden Higgs} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$Z_2$  : reflects real generators

complex (or "charge") conjugation = outer automorphism

$Z_2'$  : reflects off-diagonal generators with non-zero elements in the first row

gauge transformation

General SU(N) case

$$[T^a, T^b] = i f^{abc} T^c$$

$Z_2$  : reflects real generators

$Z_2'$  : reflects non-Cartan generators with  
non-zero first row (Pauli-like basis)

Higgsing:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \dots \\ 0 \\ a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \dots \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} \dots \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ z_1 \\ \dots \\ z_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}}_{N-1}$$



$Z_2 \times Z_2'$  preserved if  
CP is conserved

minimal SU(N):  $Z_2 \times Z_2$



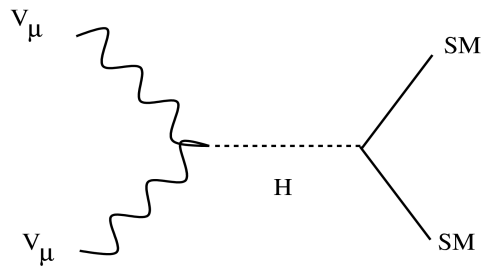
two stable components

E.g. spin1 + spin 0 DM

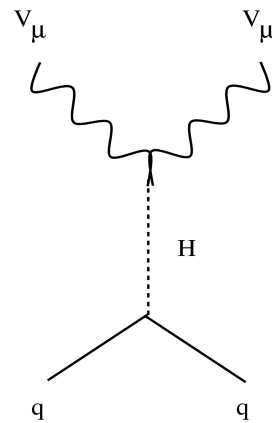
# DM phenomenology :

## DM-nucleon scattering

annihilation

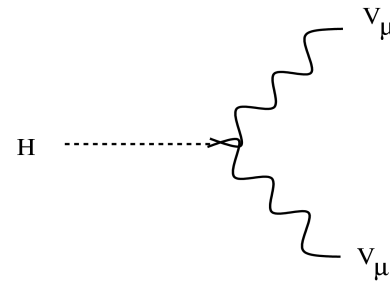


$$\langle \sigma v \rangle$$

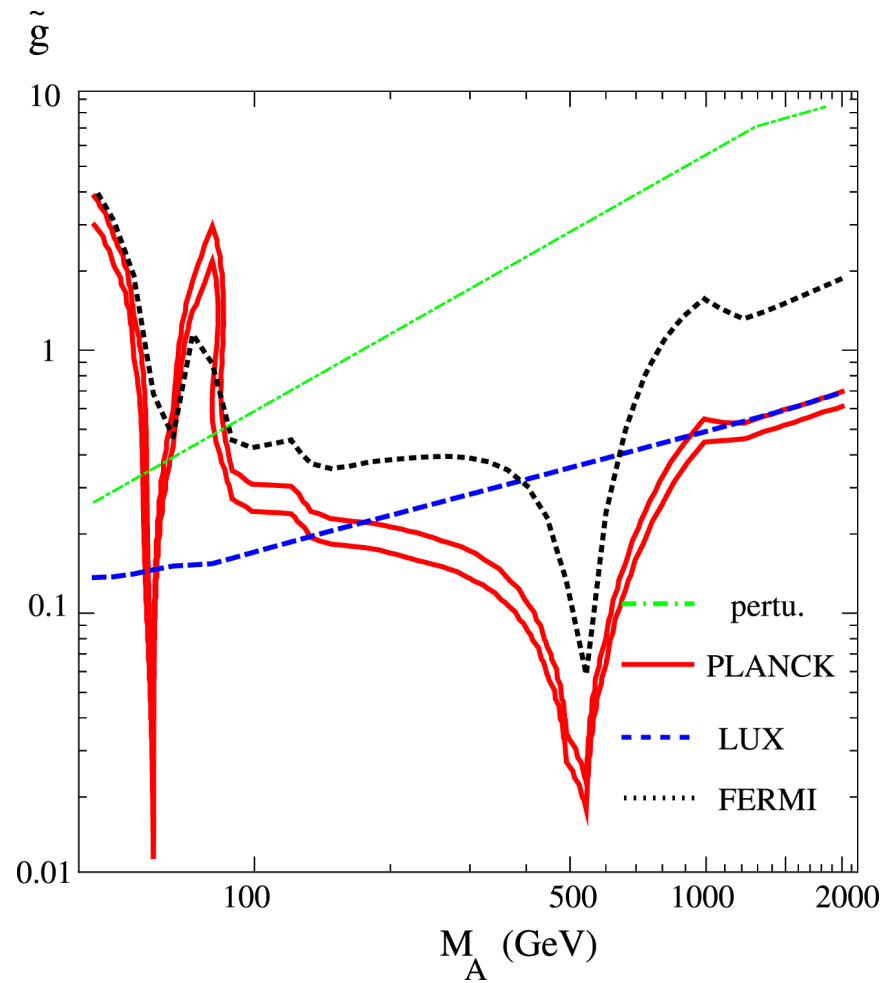


$$\sigma_{S-P}^{SI}$$

invisible Higgs decay



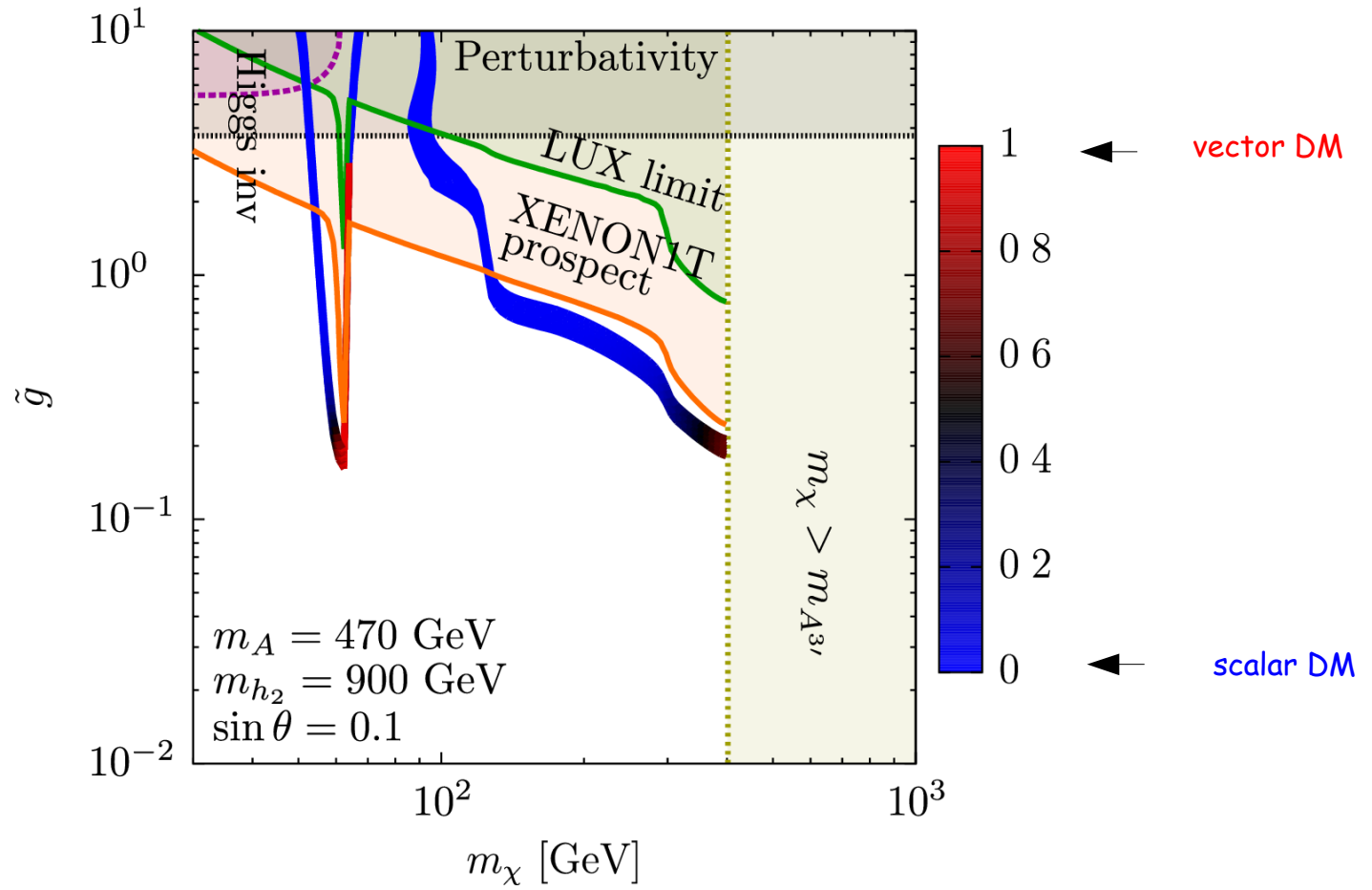
$$\Gamma_H^{inv}$$



U(1)  
 $\sin \theta = 0.3$

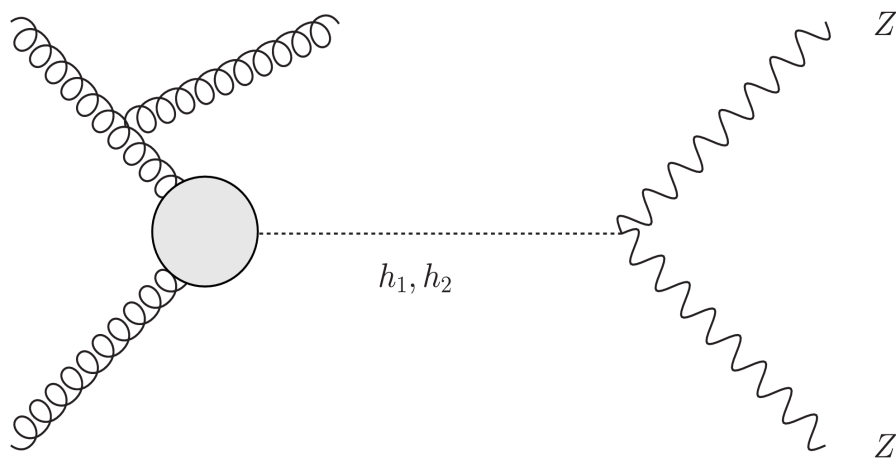


mixed spin DM  
SU(3)  
 $\sin \theta = 0.1$

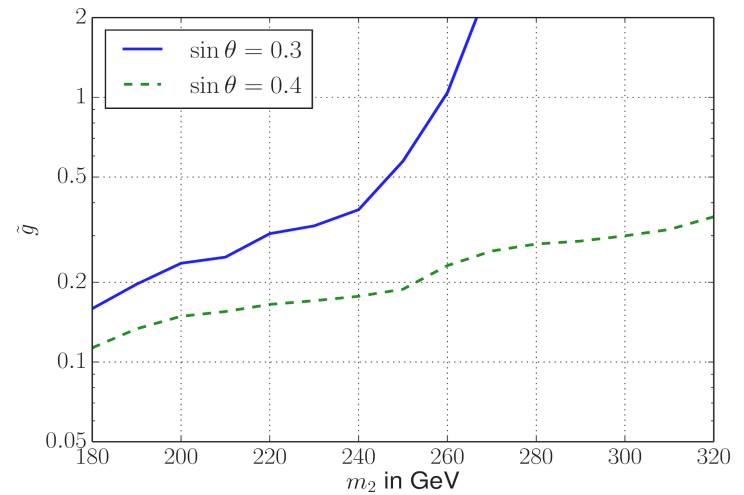
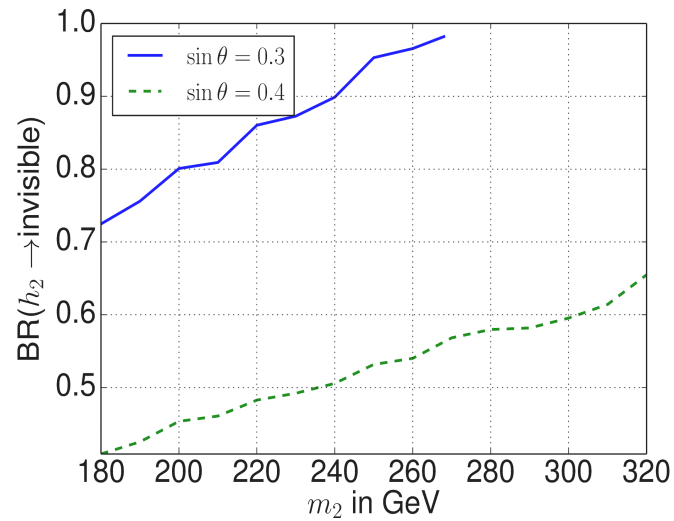


## Higgsophilic gauge bosons at the LHC:

monojets (or VBF) + missing  $E_T$



efficient for  $m_2 > 2 m_{Z'}$ .

Monojet results with  $600 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  :

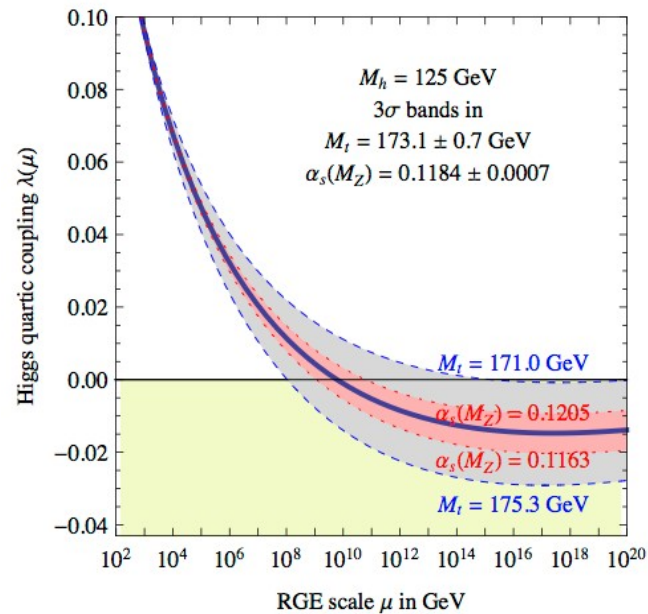
+ similar results for VBF with already  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

# The Higgs and inflation

Buttazzo et al. '13

SM stability bound:

$$m_h > (129.6 \pm 1.5) \text{ GeV}$$

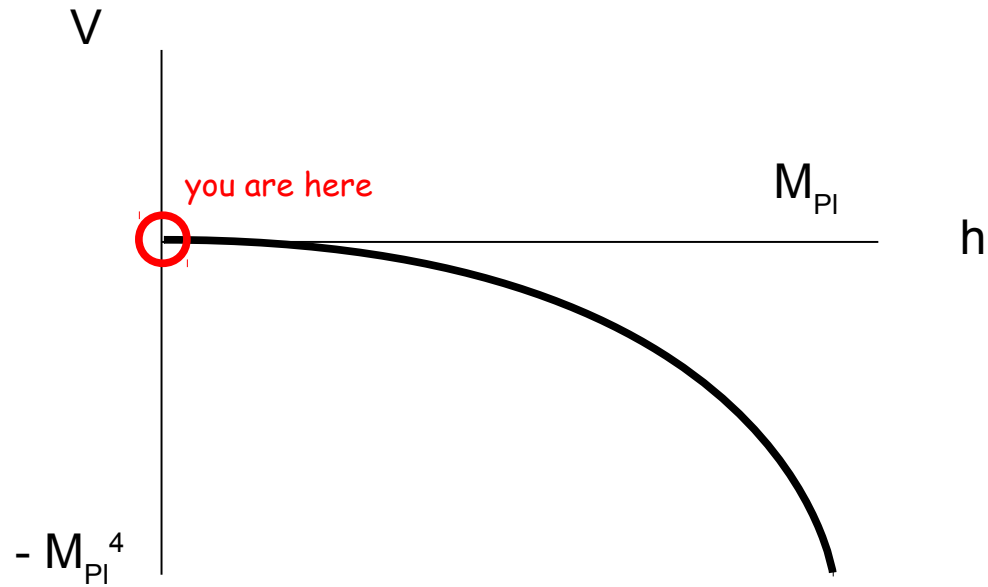


(not settled : Alekhin et al. '12  
Bezrukov et al. '12 )

$$h \gg \Lambda \sim 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$$



$$V \sim \frac{1}{4} \lambda(h) h^4, \quad \lambda(h) < 0$$



$$\Lambda = 10^{-8} M_{\text{Pl}}$$

,

$$\text{barrier} = 10^{-32} M_{\text{Pl}}^4$$

## Problems :

- how did the Universe end up at  $h \sim 0$  ?
- why did it stay there during inflation ?

## Solutions :

- modify the Higgs potential during inflation
  - just modify the Higgs potential
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Solution 1:

Higgs-inflaton coupling

$$\Delta V = \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{h\phi} h^2 \phi^2$$

("Higgs portal" coupling)

$$\Delta V + V_{\text{Higgs}} > 0$$



$$\phi_0 \sim 20 M_{\text{Pl}} , \quad \lambda_{h\phi} \sim 10^{-6}$$

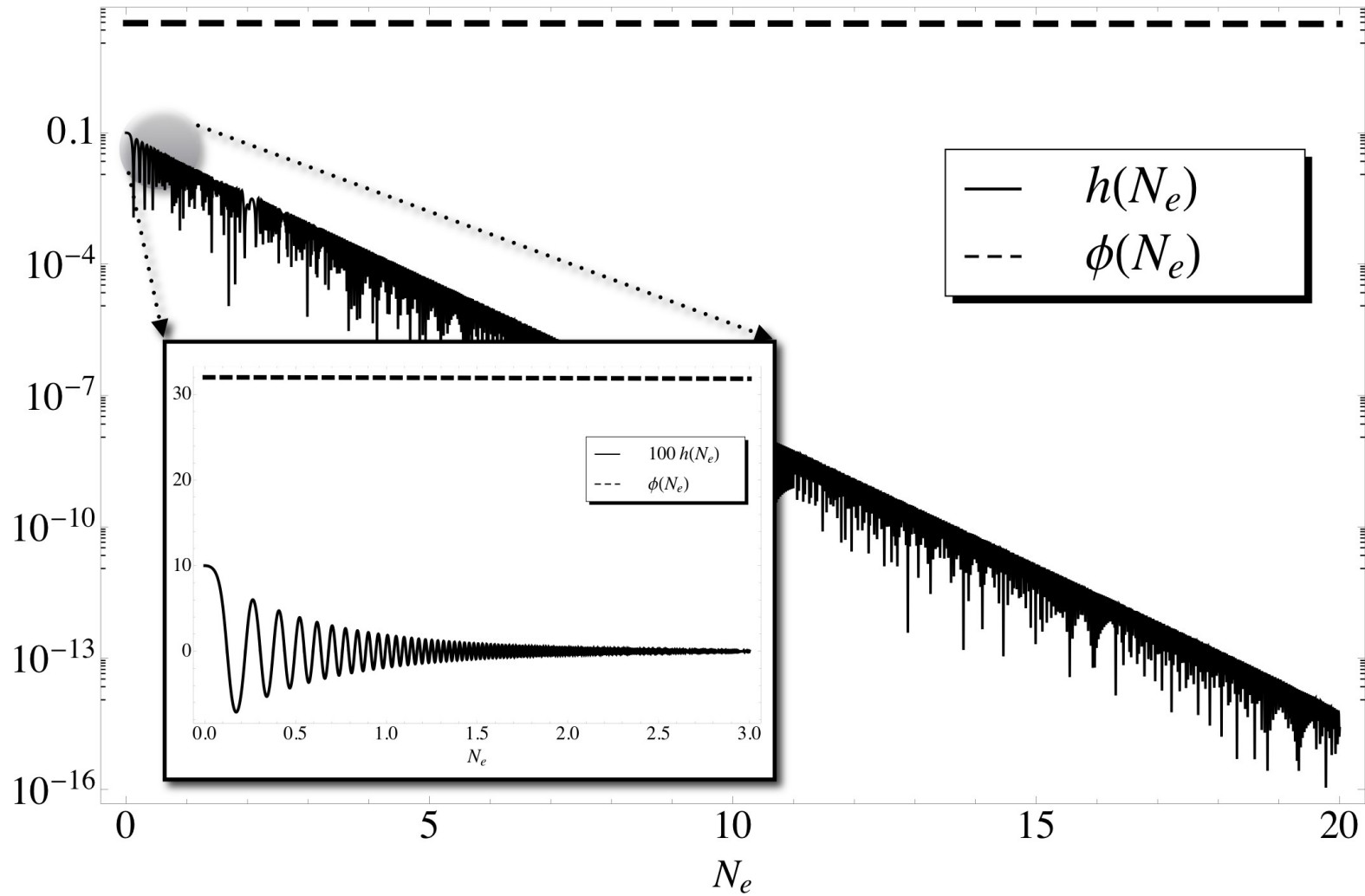
Large effective mass term



$$h(t) \sim h(0) \exp(- 3/2 Ht )$$

Higgs field is driven to zero during inflation !

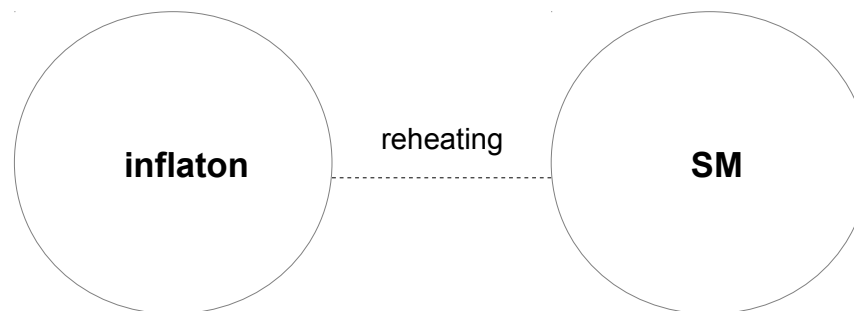
Higgs/inflaton evolution (in  $M_{pl}$ ):





## The Higgs-inflaton coupling is

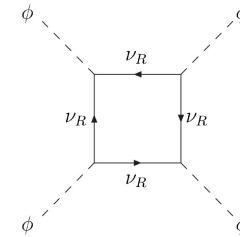
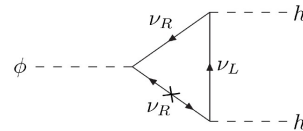
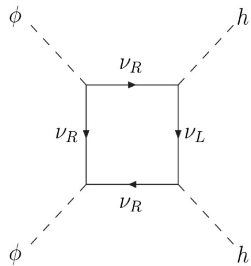
- generated radiatively
- required by renormalizability
- important if greater than  $10^{-10}$



Example 1:

reheating through RH neutrinos

$$\Delta \mathcal{L} = \lambda \phi \nu_R \nu_R$$



divergent, renormalize at  $M_{pl}$  :  $\lambda_i(M_{pl})=0$



$$\lambda_{h\phi}(H) < 2 \times 10^{-7}$$

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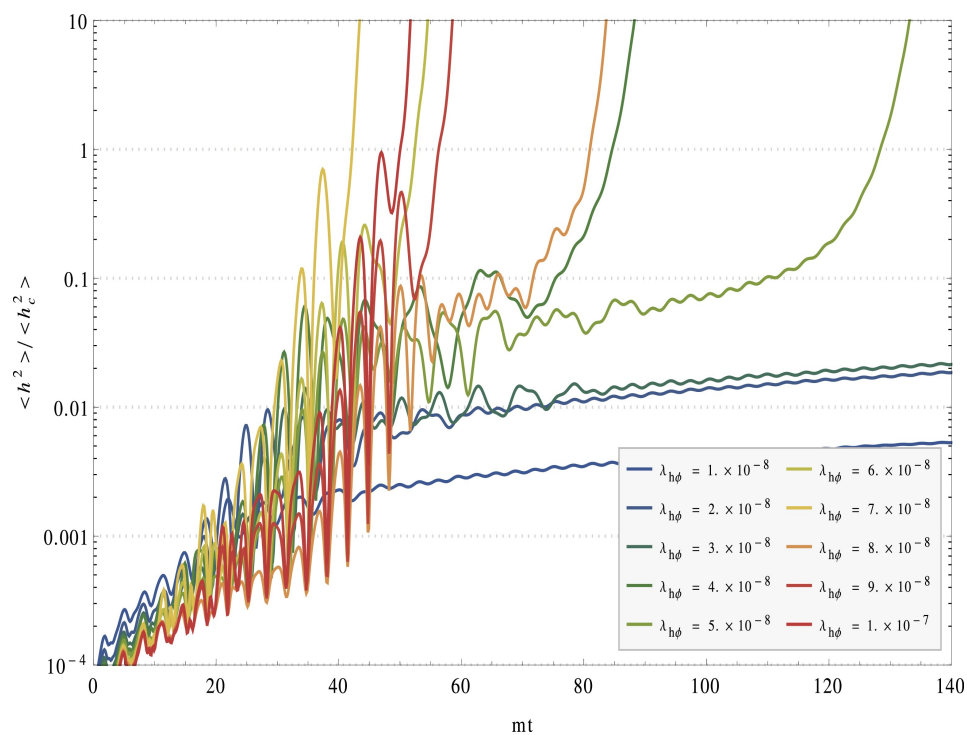
The Higgs-inflaton coupling is essential for the Higgs evolution

$$m_h^2 \sim \lambda_{h\phi} \phi^2 > H^2$$



## Higgs vacuum destabilization through preheating:

$$V \sim \lambda h^2 \phi^2 + \sigma h^2 \phi$$



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# Conclusion

- Higgs sector is special
  - key to the hidden sector / DM / inflation
  - need precise Higgs data
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