

Vacuum Stability in the Standard Model and Beyond

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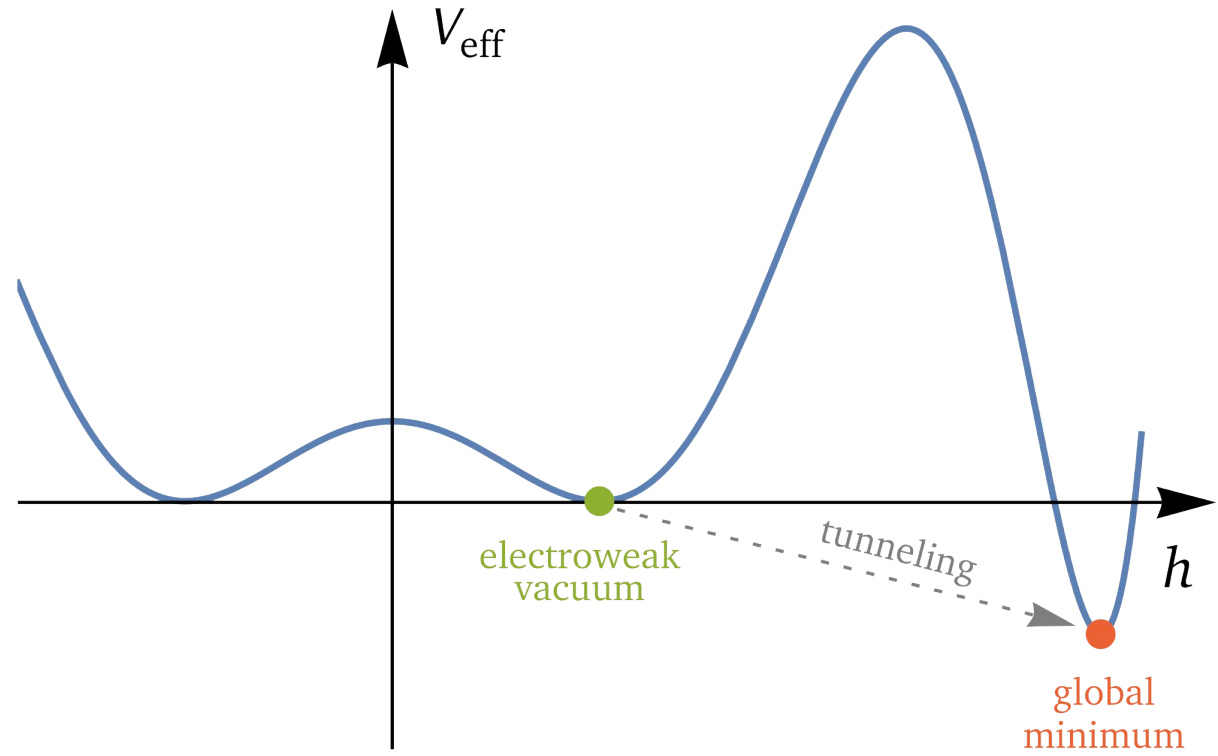
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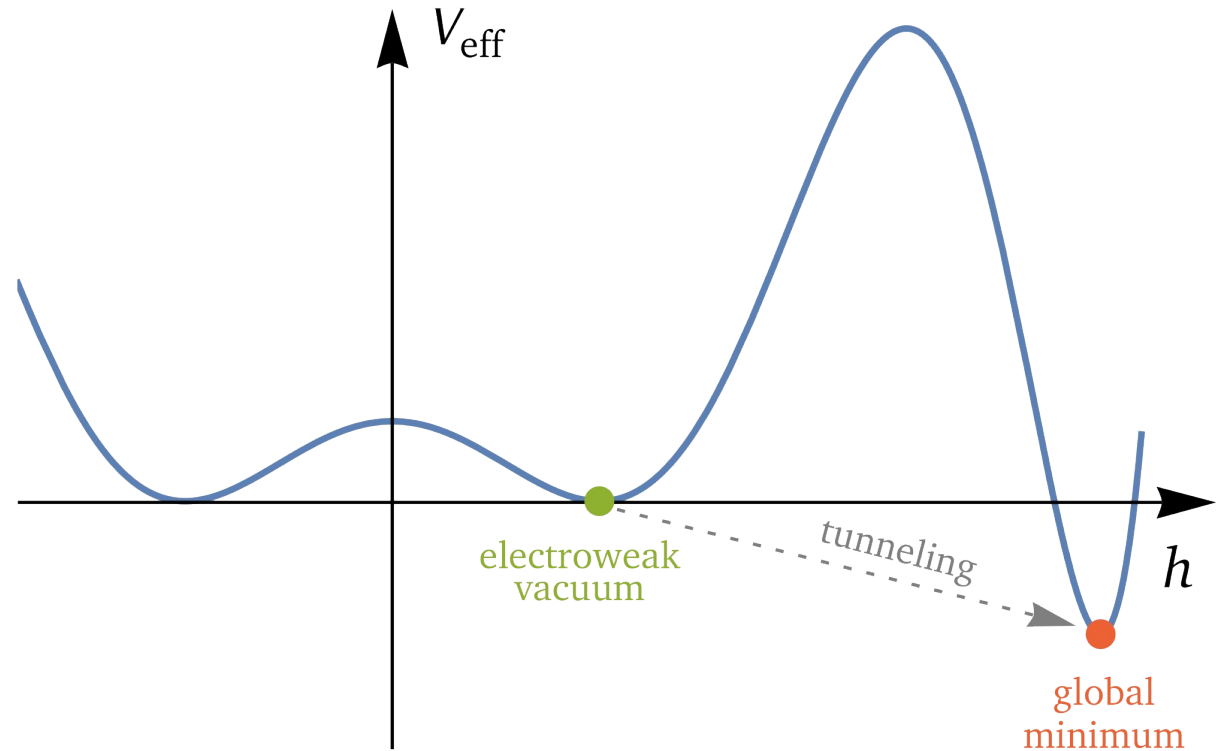
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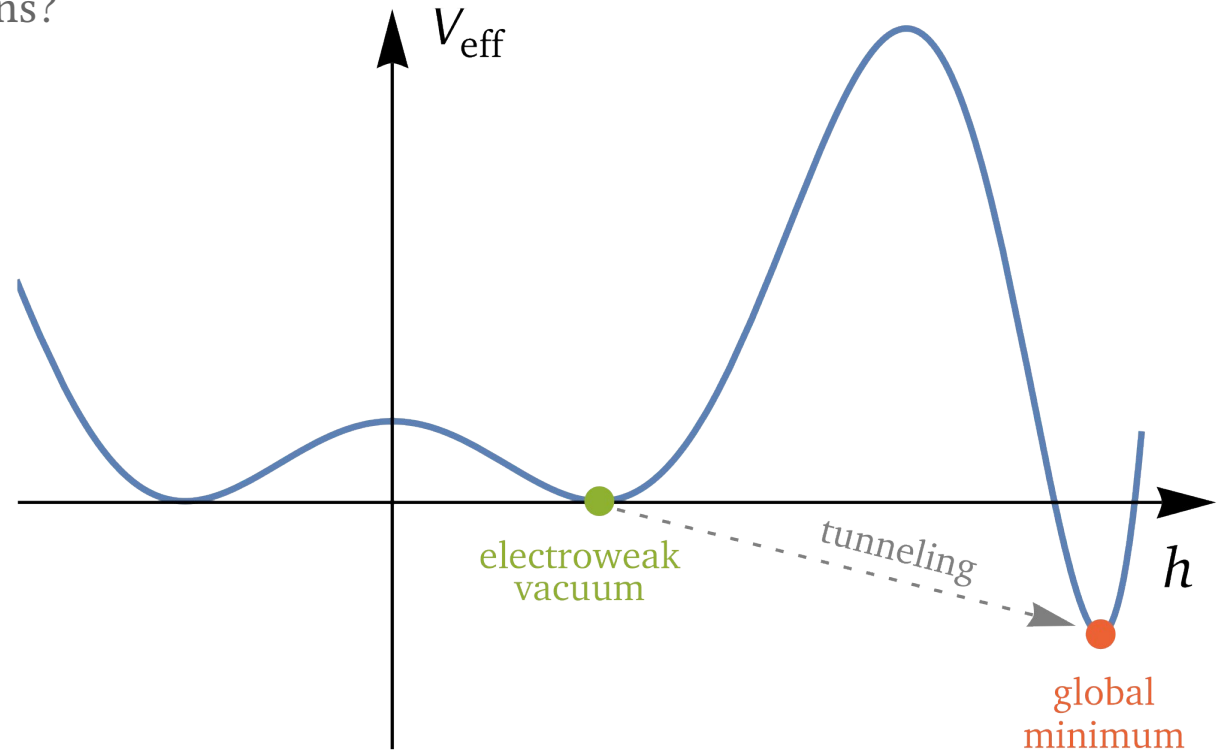
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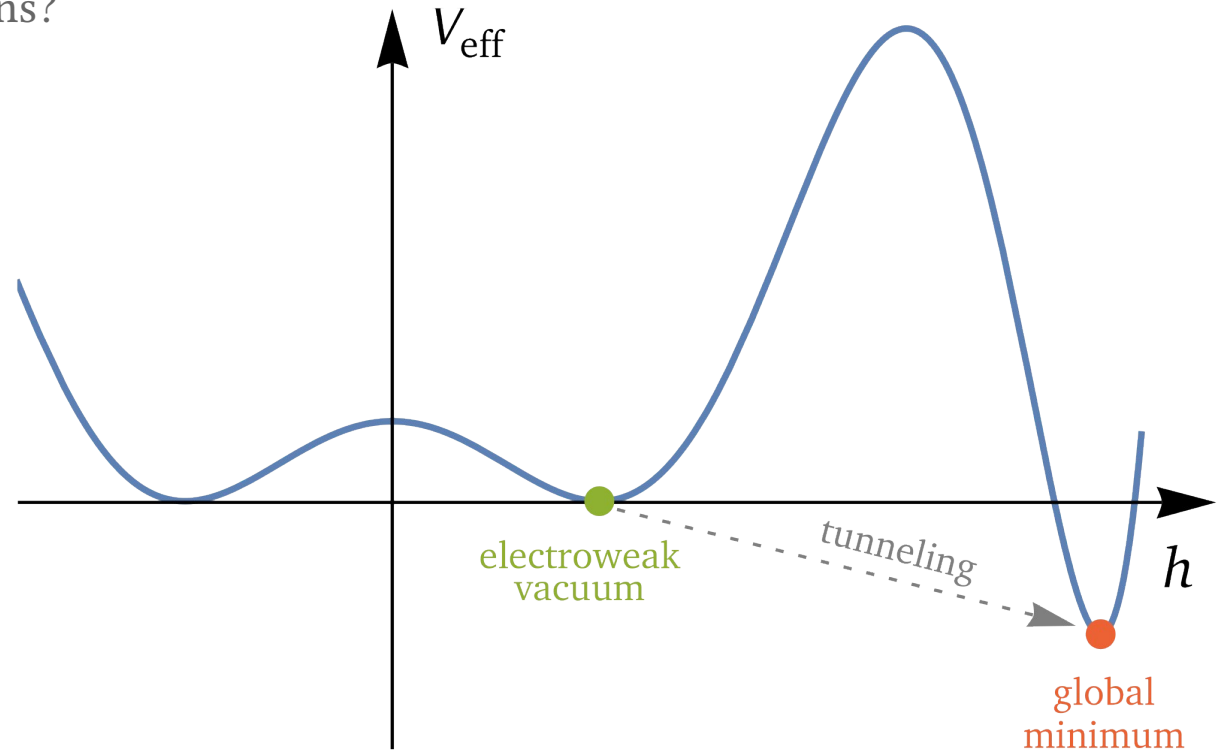
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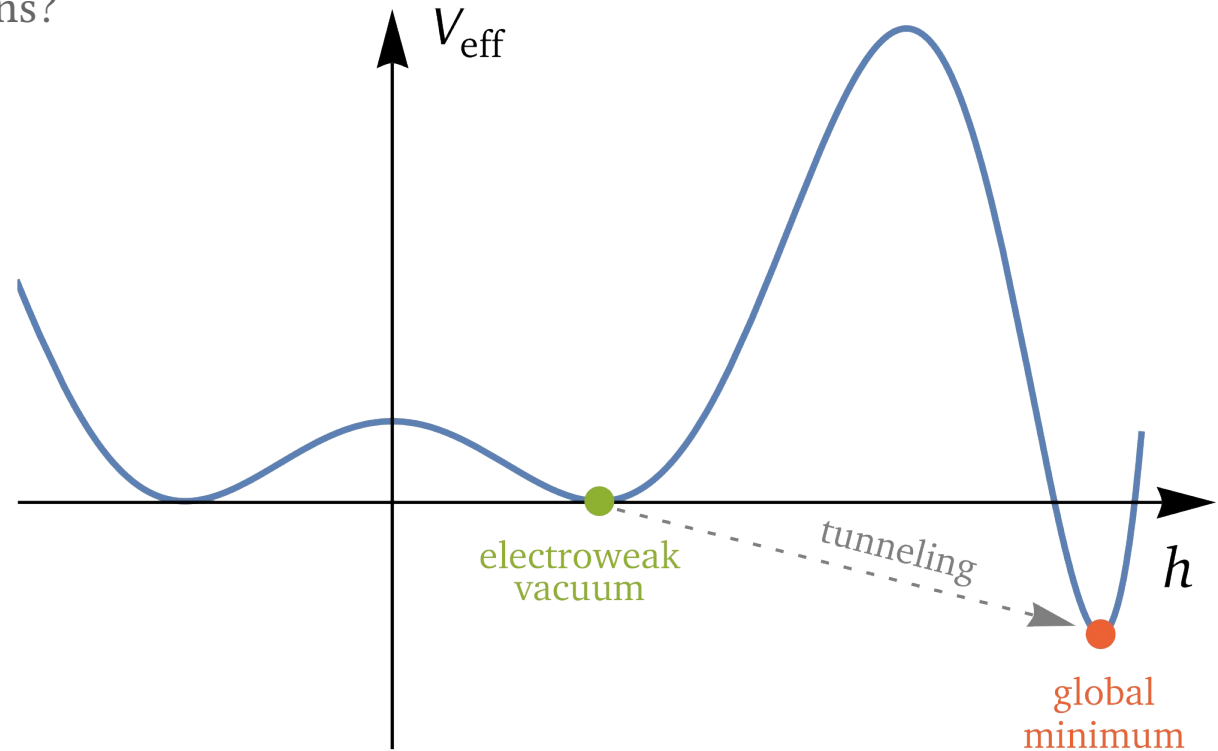


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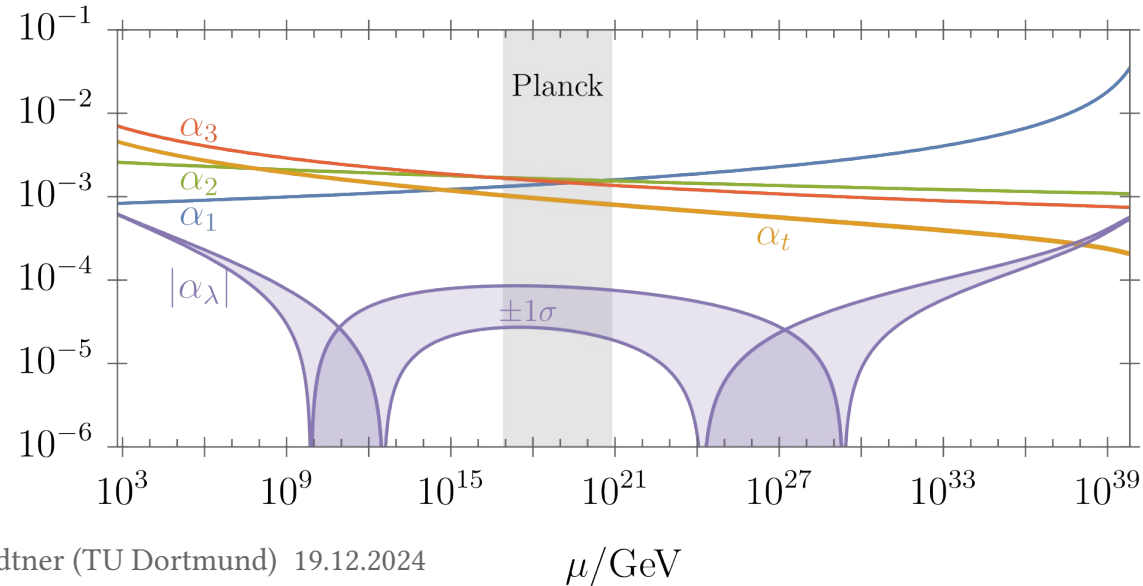
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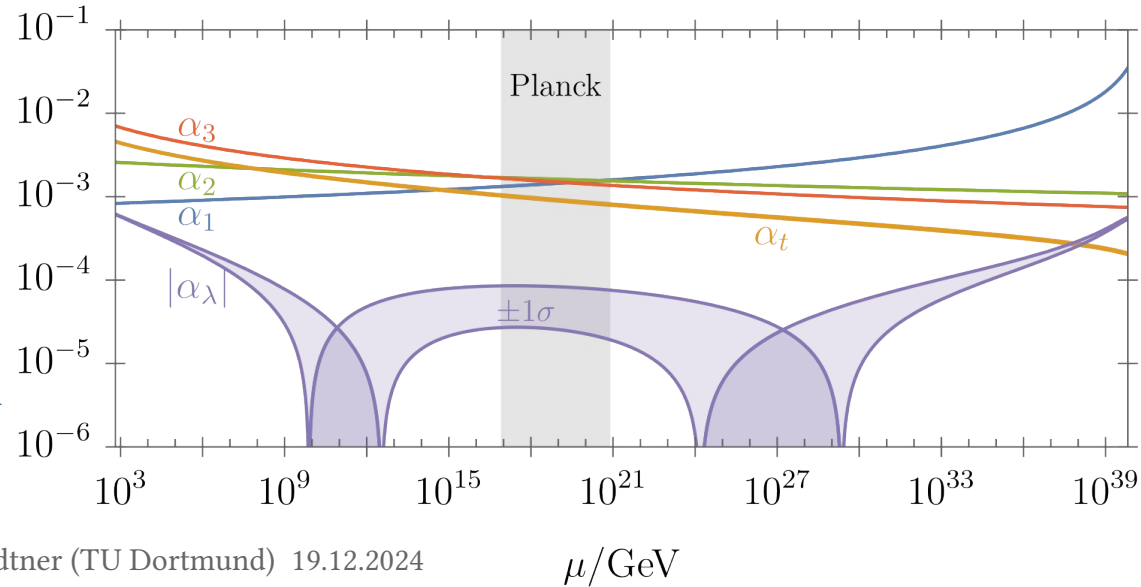
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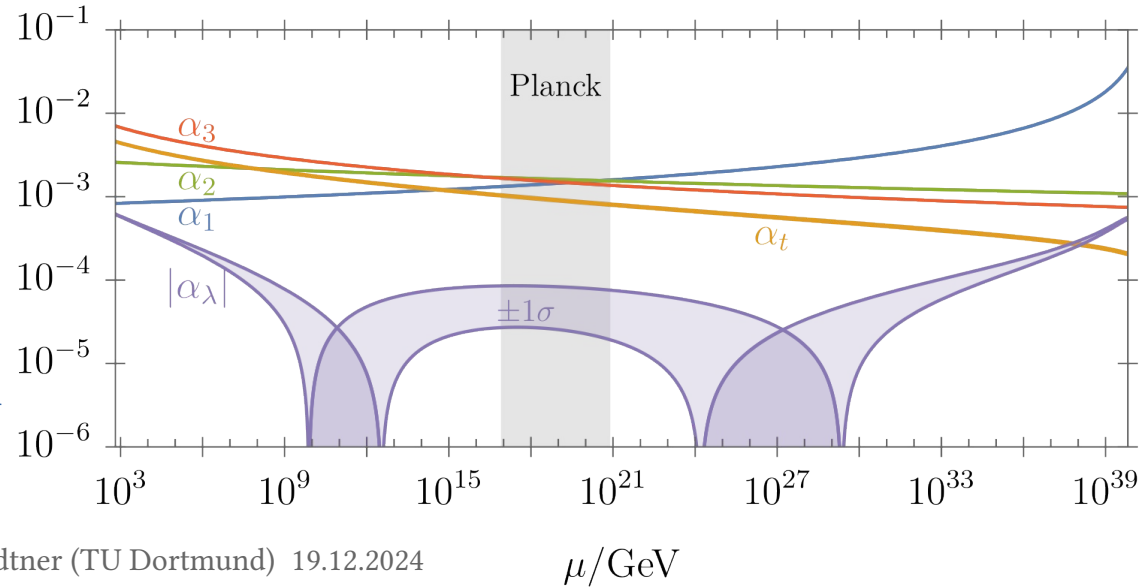
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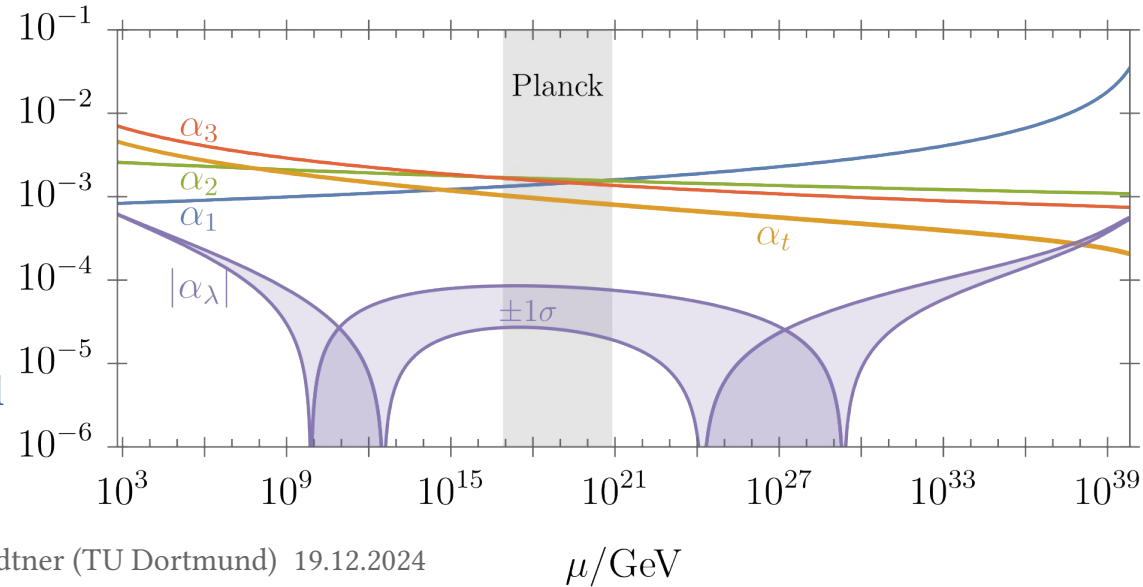
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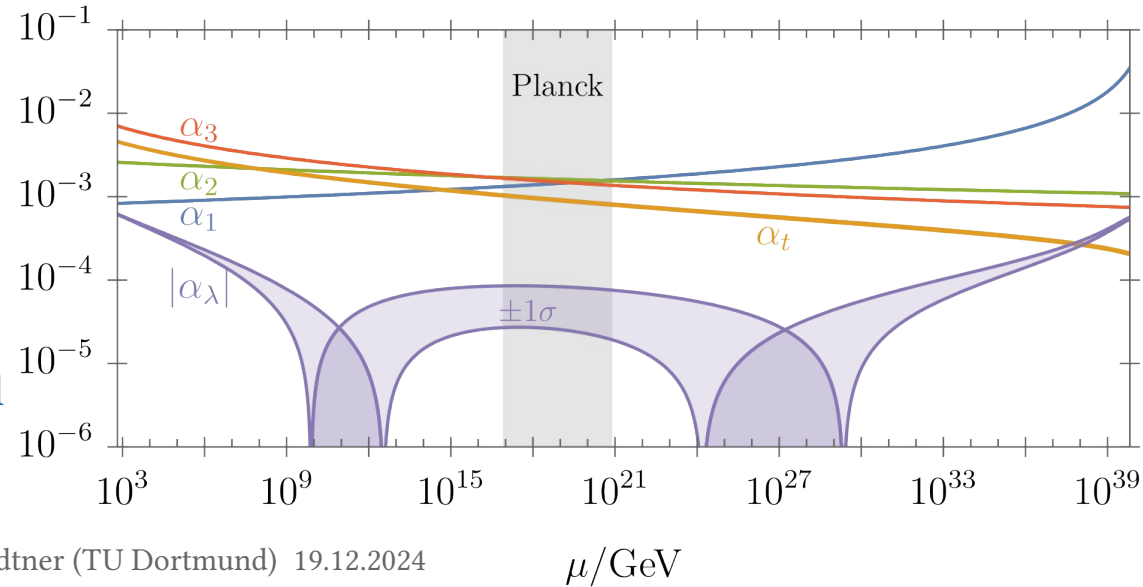
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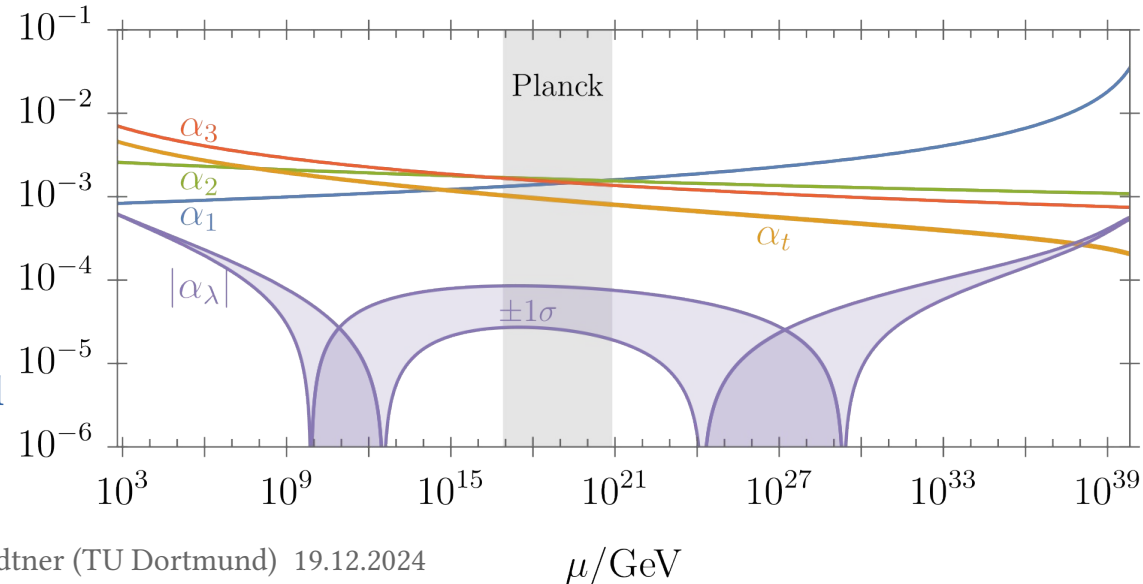
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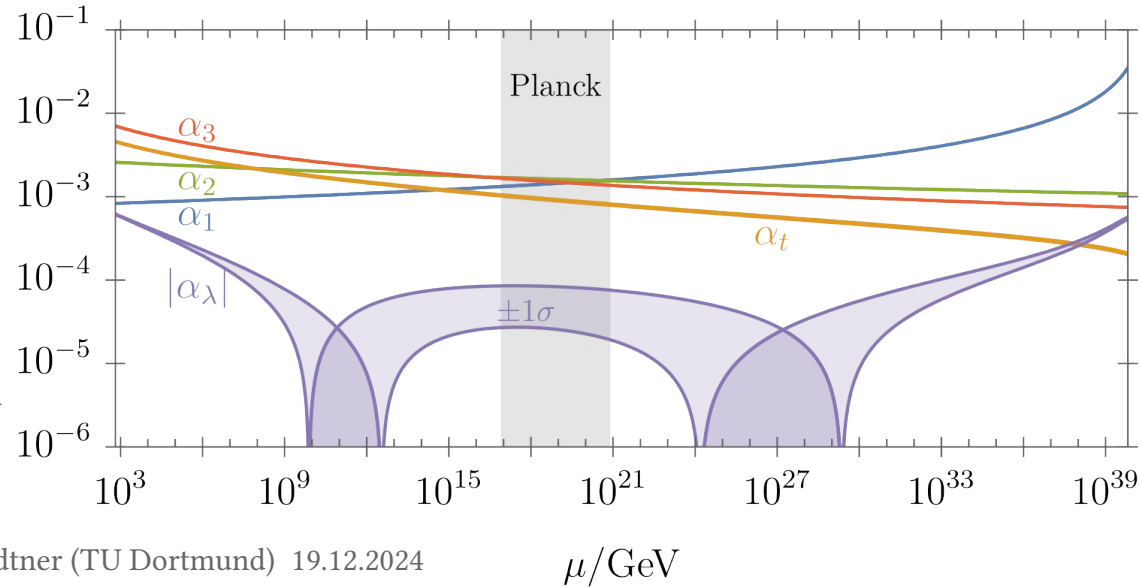
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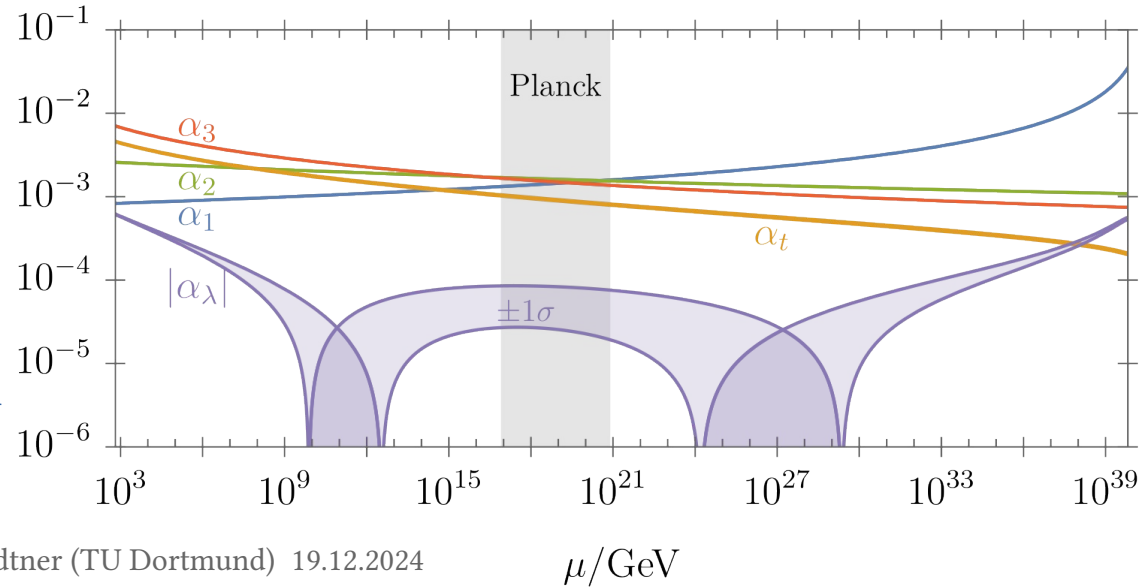
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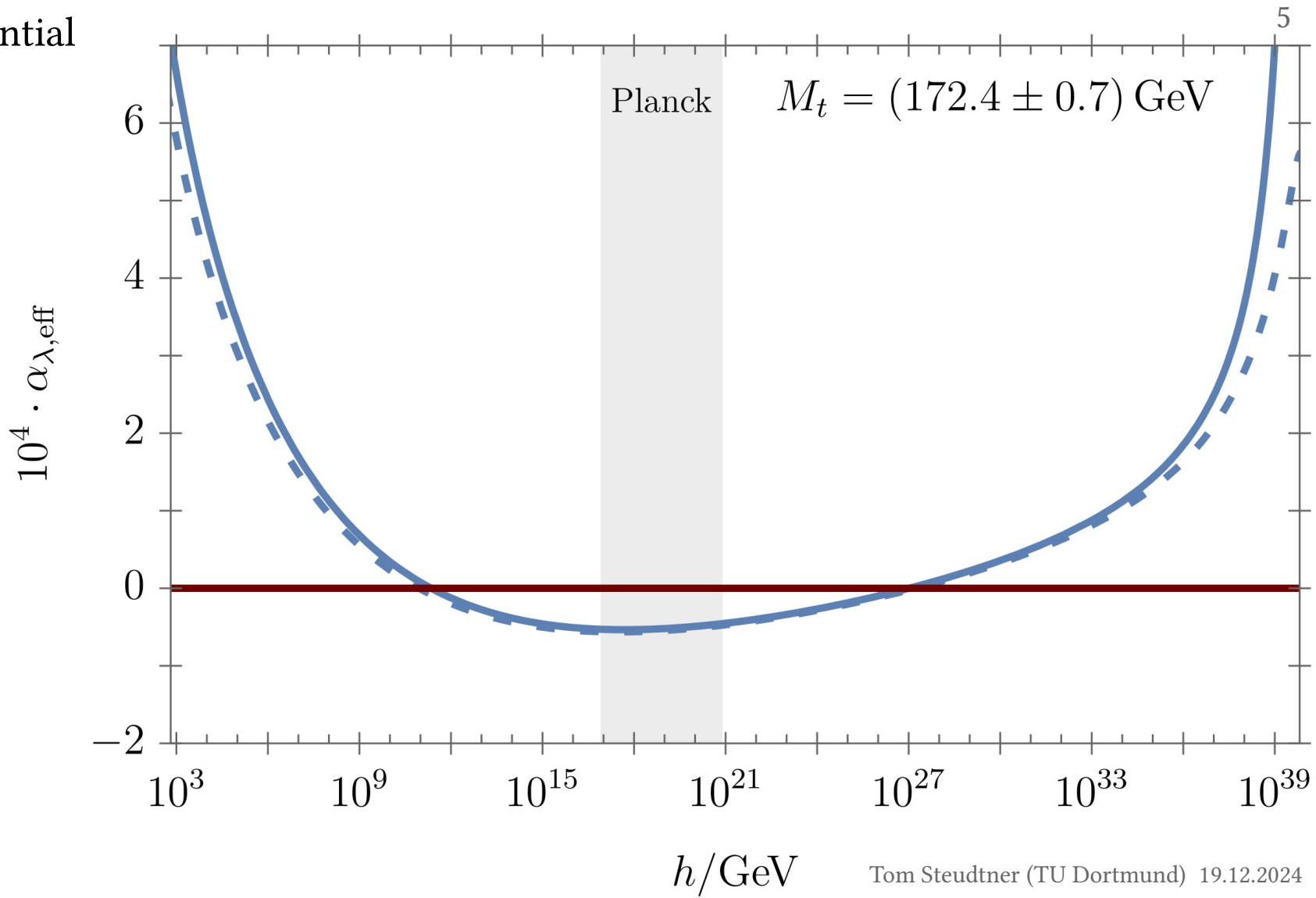
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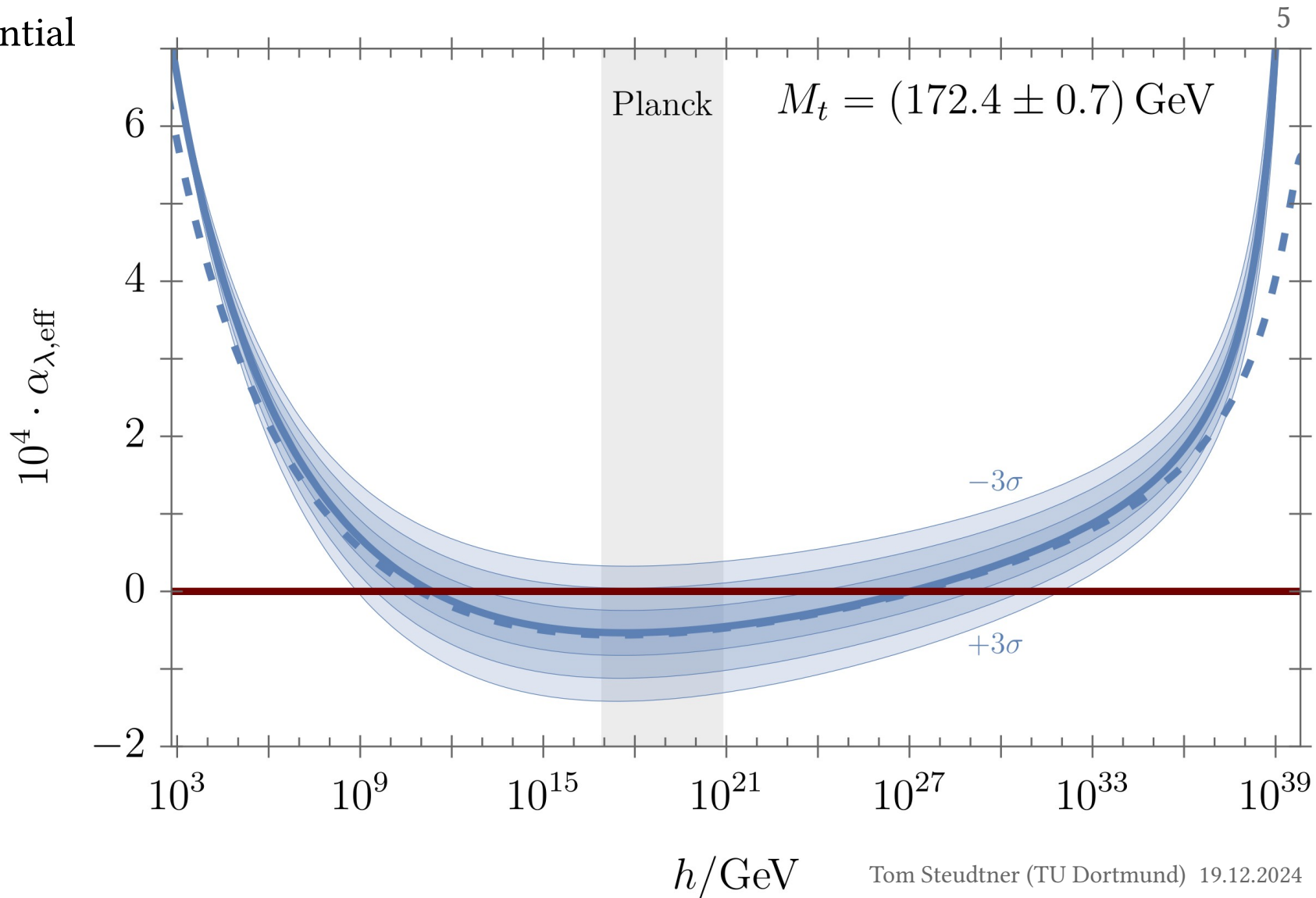
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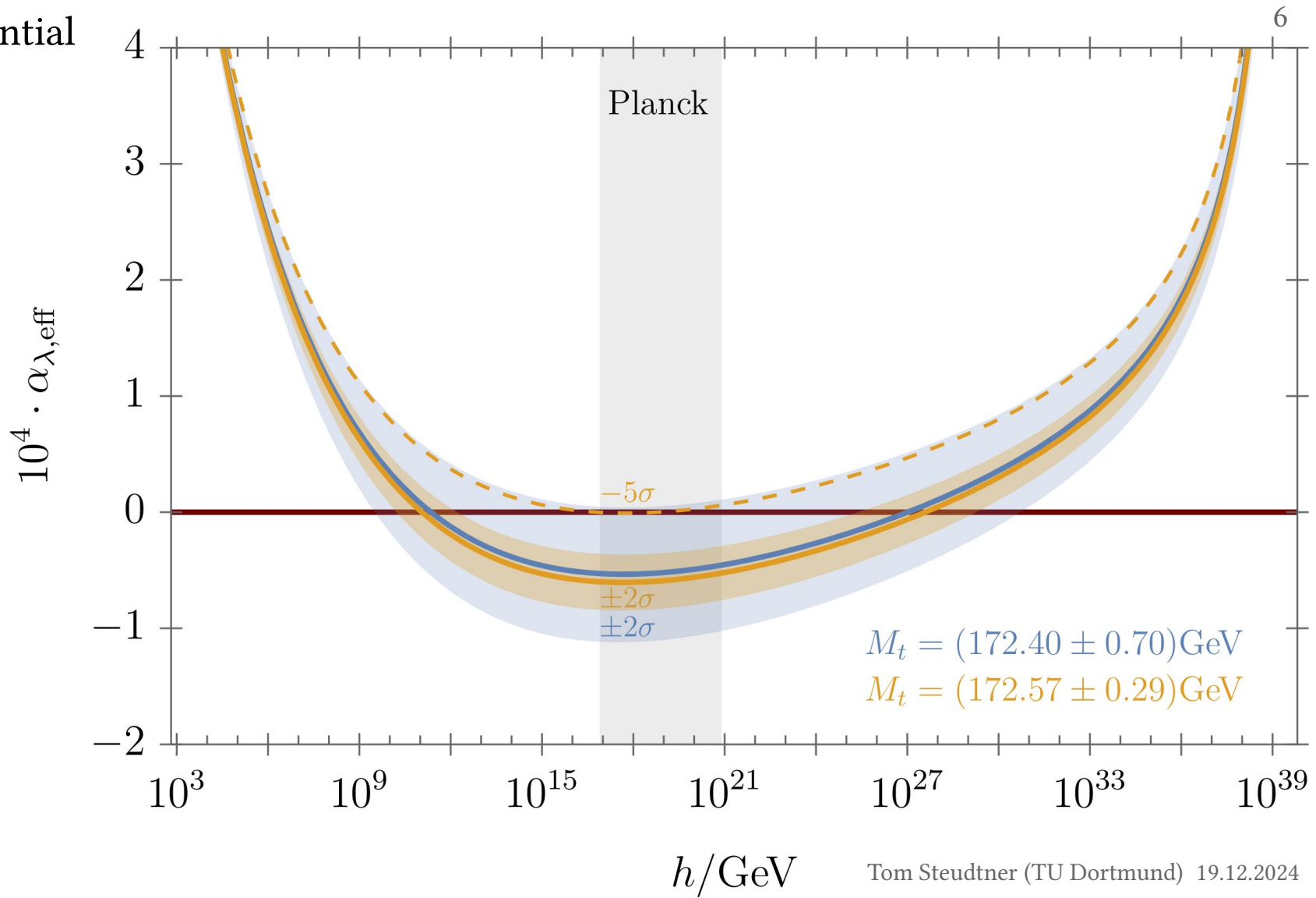
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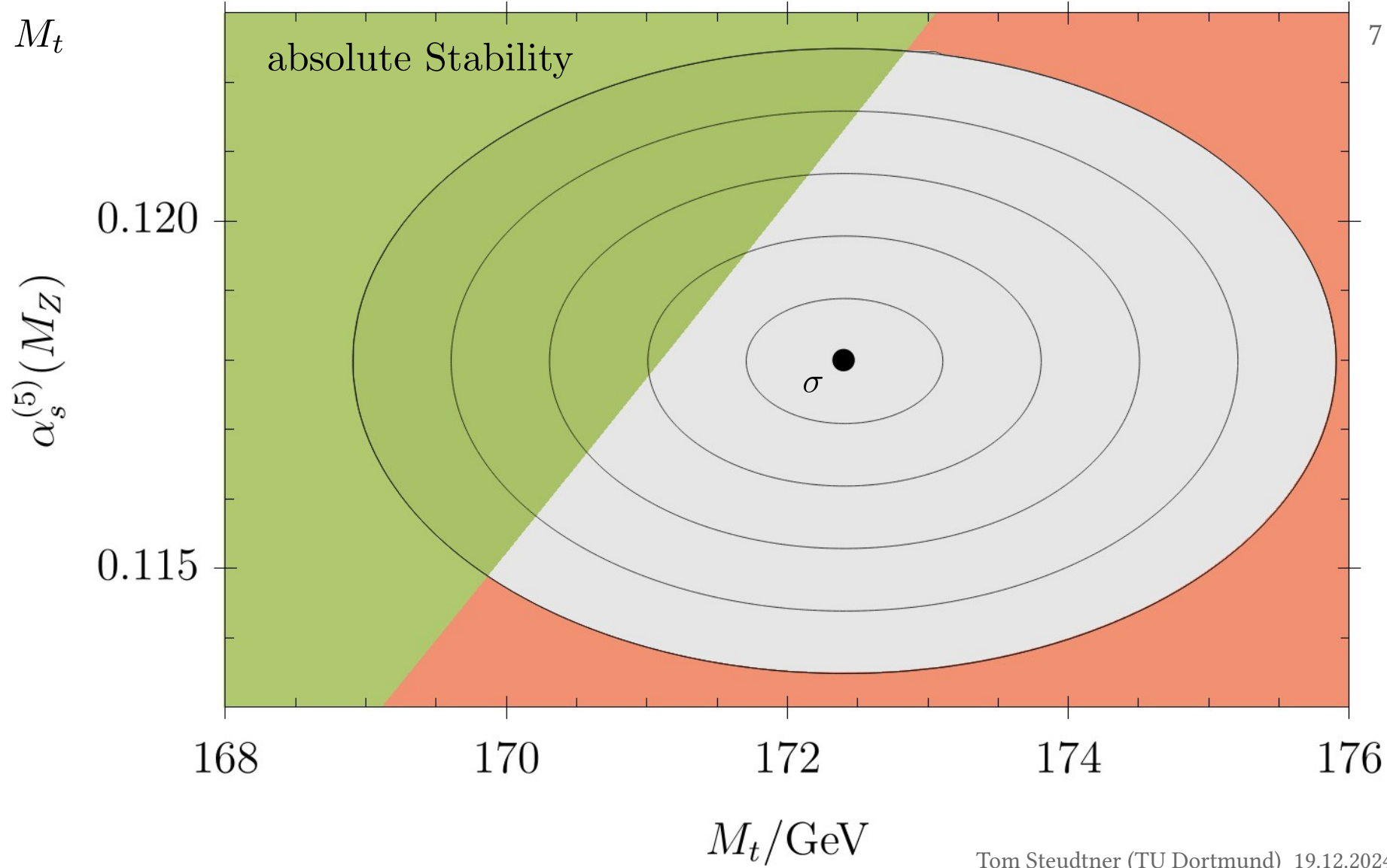
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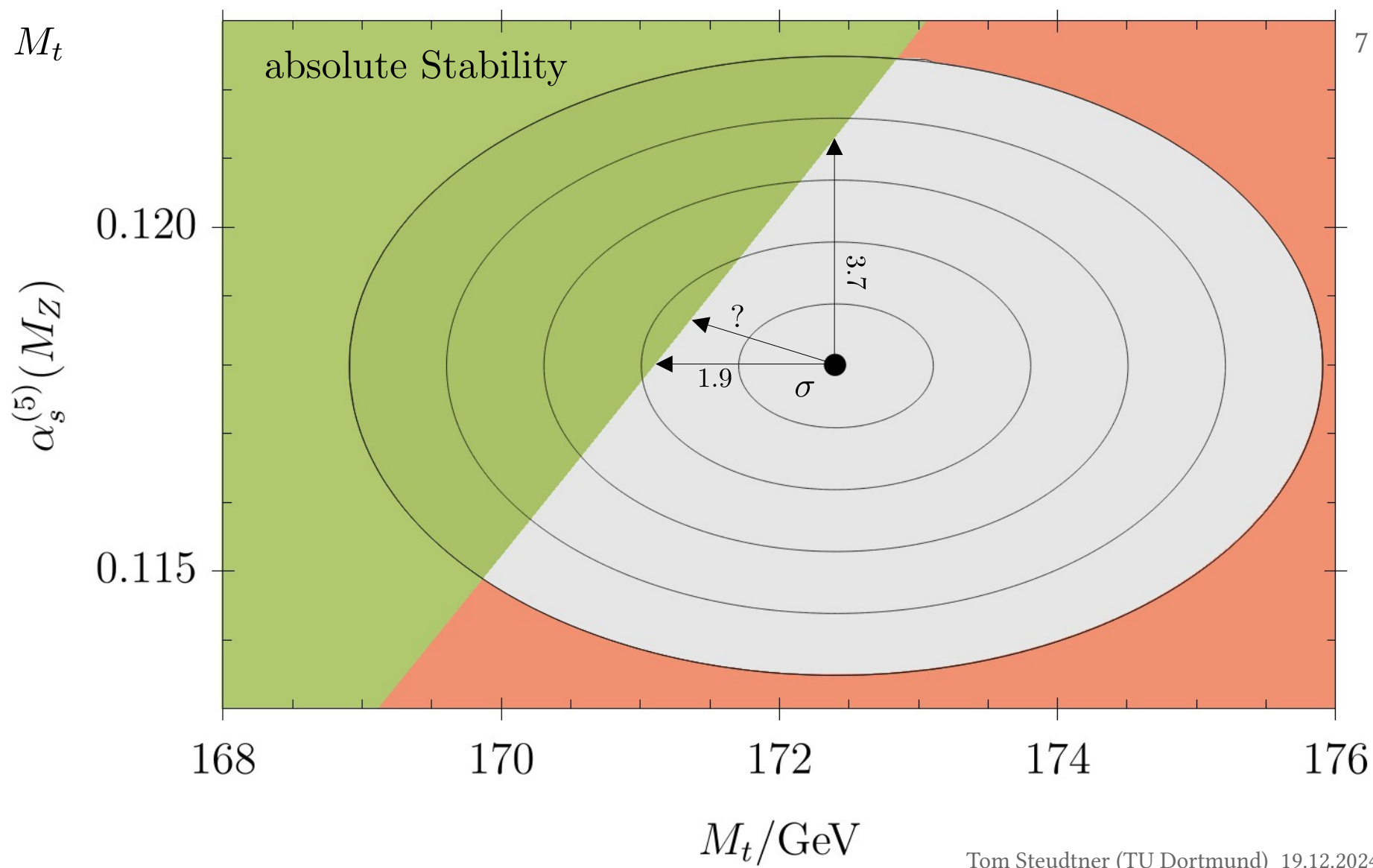
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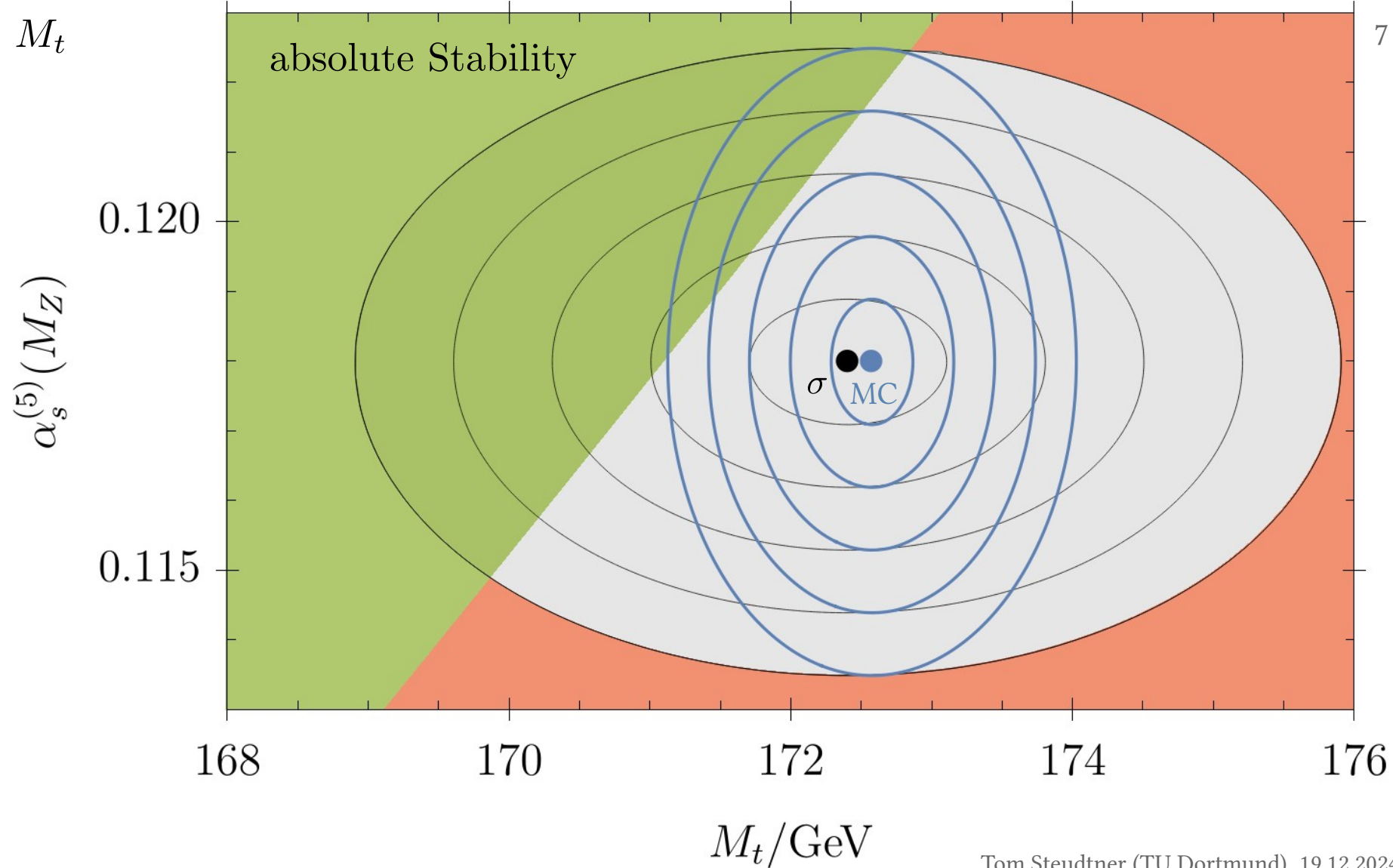
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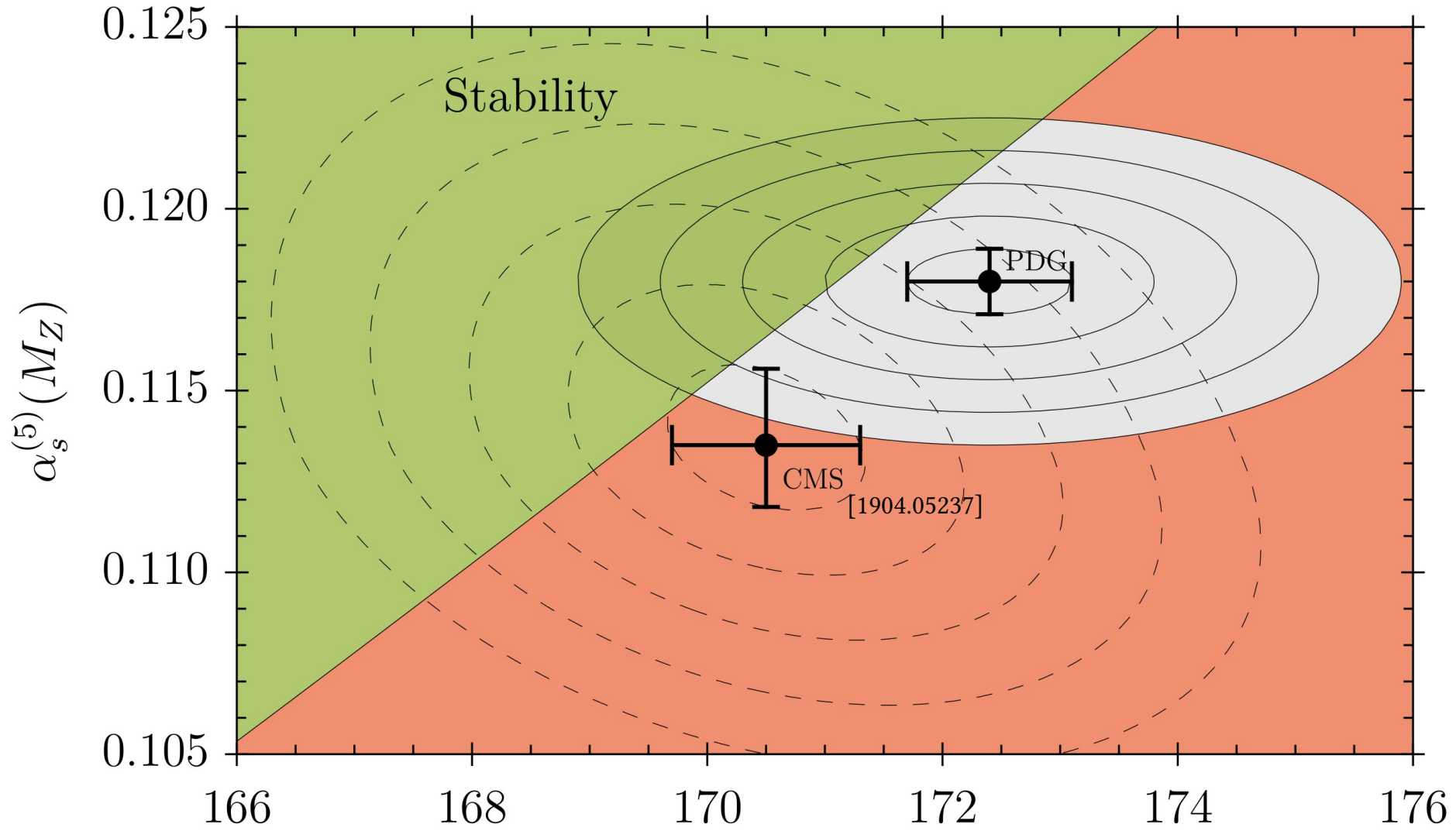


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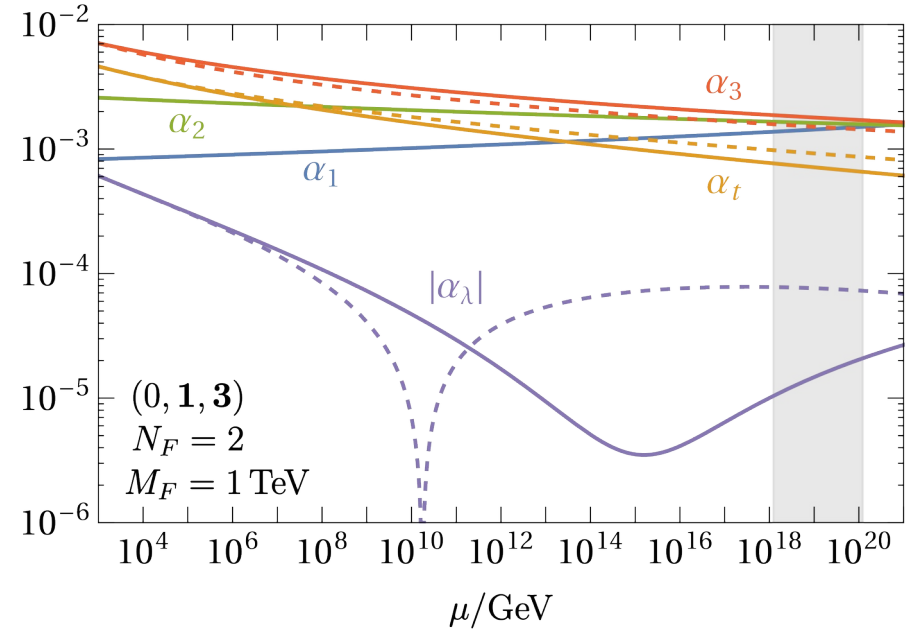




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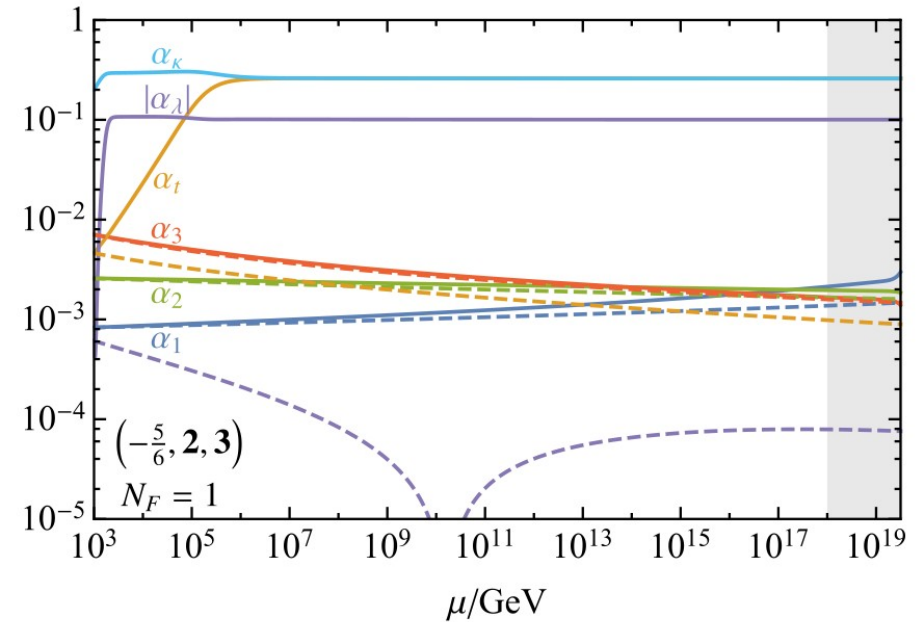
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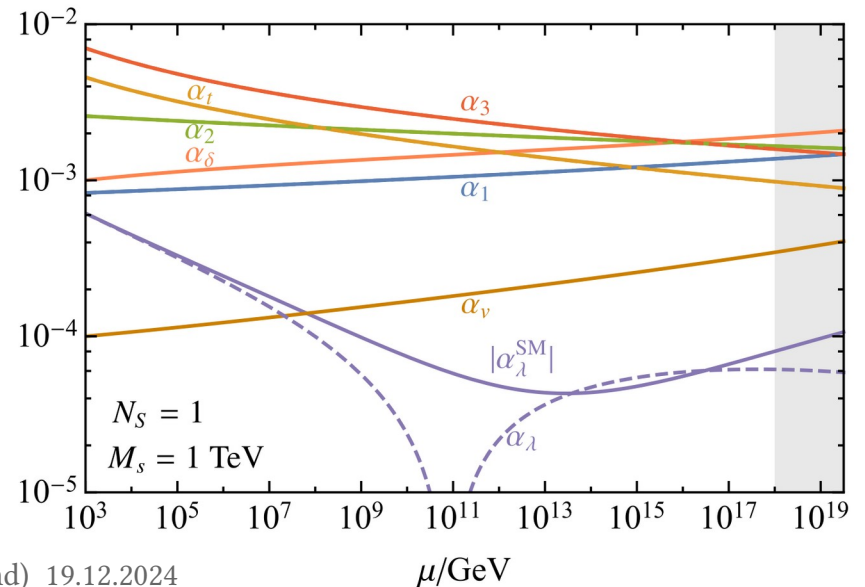
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$$\beta_\lambda = \beta_\lambda^{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{N}\delta^2$$



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