

# Thermal productions of axion in DFSZ-type axion models

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# Introduction

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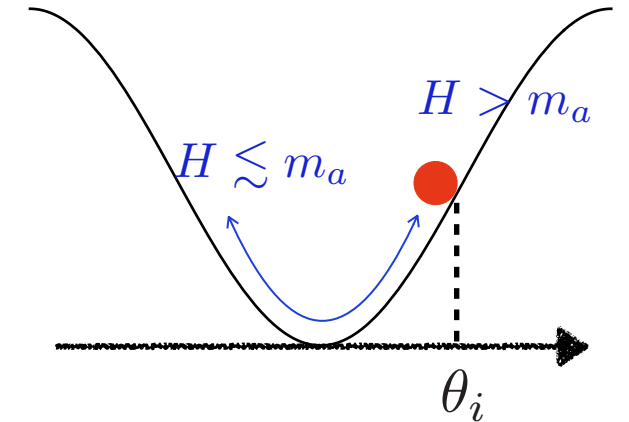
- Dark matter (DM) is one of the unsolved problems in the SM.
- Dark matter may be light and feeble interactions.
  - promising candidate: **axions**
- Axions can solve DM and strong CP problems.
- The nature of the axion is unknown.
  - Mass scale, interactions
  - **Production mechanisms** → In this talk, we will discuss axion production from heavy Higgs bosons.

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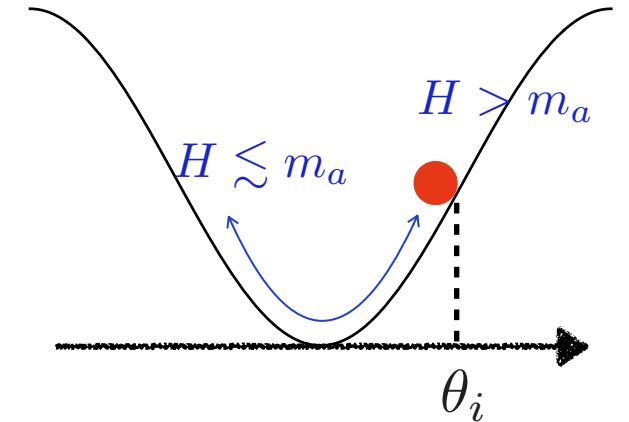


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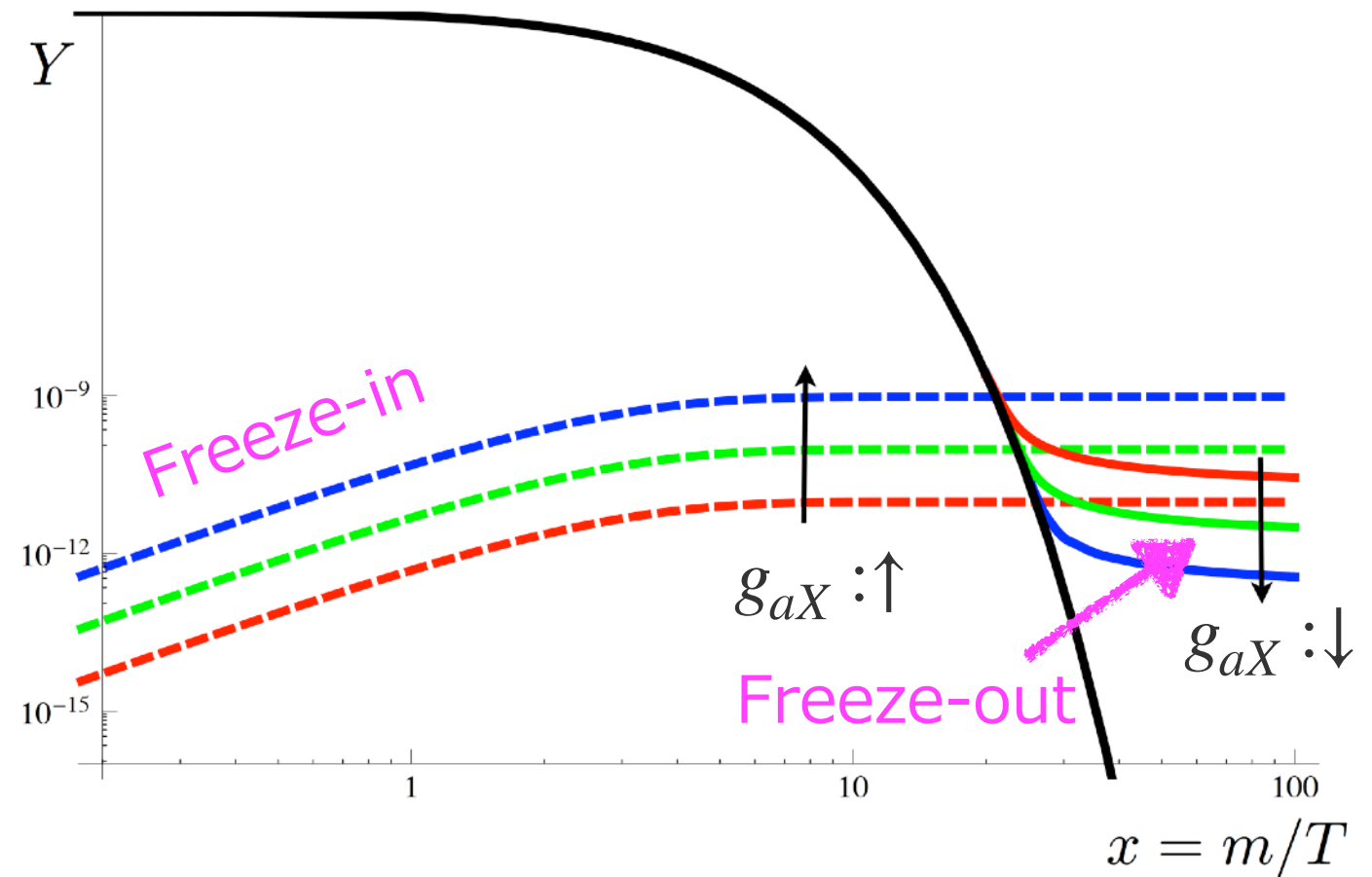
- Axion is thermalized (i.e., small  $f_a$ ).
  - It is in thermal equilibrium.
  - It decouples from thermal plasma at a certain temperature.
- Axion is not thermalized (i.e., large  $f_a$ ).  $\rightarrow$  Freeze-in mechanism

## Assumptions

- Axion couple with bath particles in thermal plasma.
- It never reaches thermal equilibrium.

## Features

- Axion is produced from the thermal plasma.
- The energy density increases as temperature decreases.
- The production of axion stops at  $T \sim m_a$ .



# Concrete axion models

## KSVZ-type model

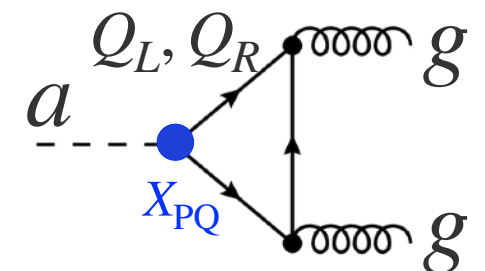
[Original model: J. E. Kim (1979); M. A. Shifman, A. I. Vainshtein, V. I. Zakharov (1980)]

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{KSVZ}} \ni y_Q \bar{Q}_L Q_R S + \text{h.c.}$$

$Q$ : extra vector like singlet fermions

$S$ : extra singlet scalar:  $S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(v_s + \rho) \exp(ia/v_s)$

- Extra fields ( $Q, S$ ) are U(1) charged.
- Axion mainly couples with gluon. No Axion-fermion coupling at the tree-level.



## DFSZ-type model

[Original model: A. R. Zhitnitsky (1980); M. Dine, W. Fischler, M. Srednicki (1981)]

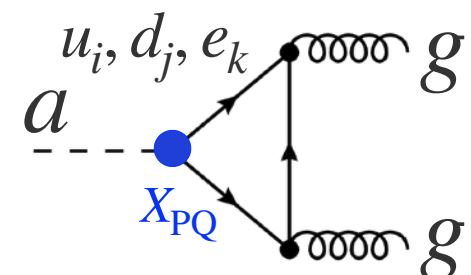
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DFSZ}} \ni \kappa H_1^\dagger H_2 S^2 + y_u \bar{Q} H_2^c u_R + y_d \bar{Q} H_1 d_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$H_1$  : SM Higgs doublet

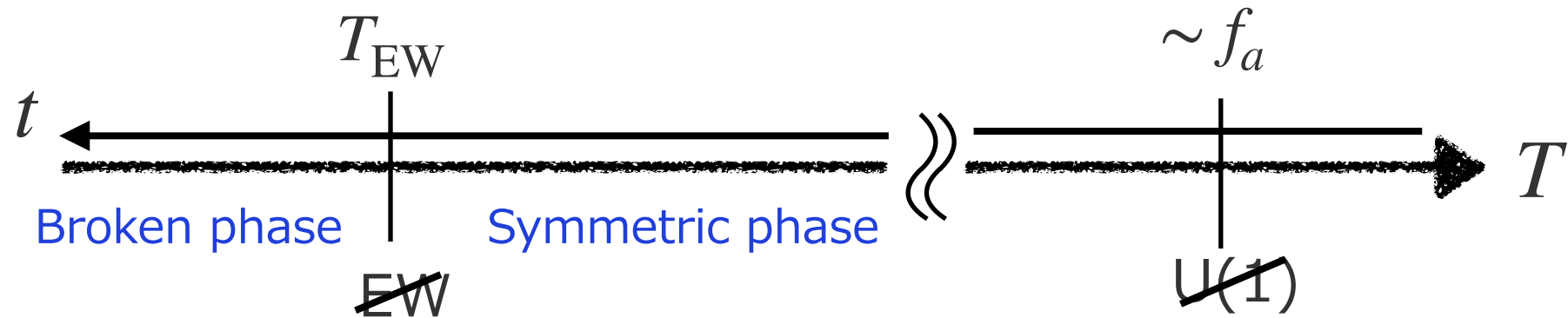
$H_2$  : extra Higgs doublet  $\ni H, A, H^\pm$

$S$ : extra singlet scalar

- Axion couple with Higgs bosons
- Axion-gluon couplings are realized by SM-fermions



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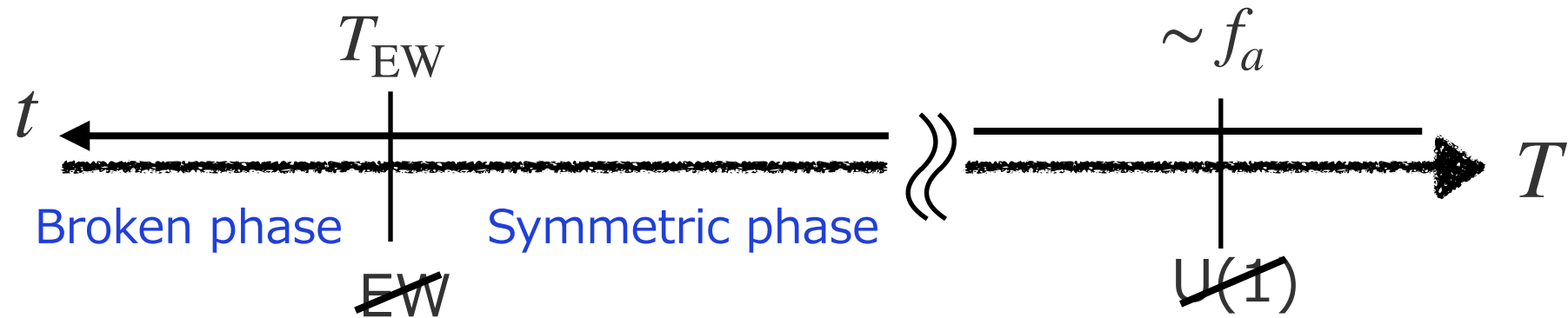
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	$g_{aH_1H_2}$	[Red bar from $T_{EW}$ to $T$ ]

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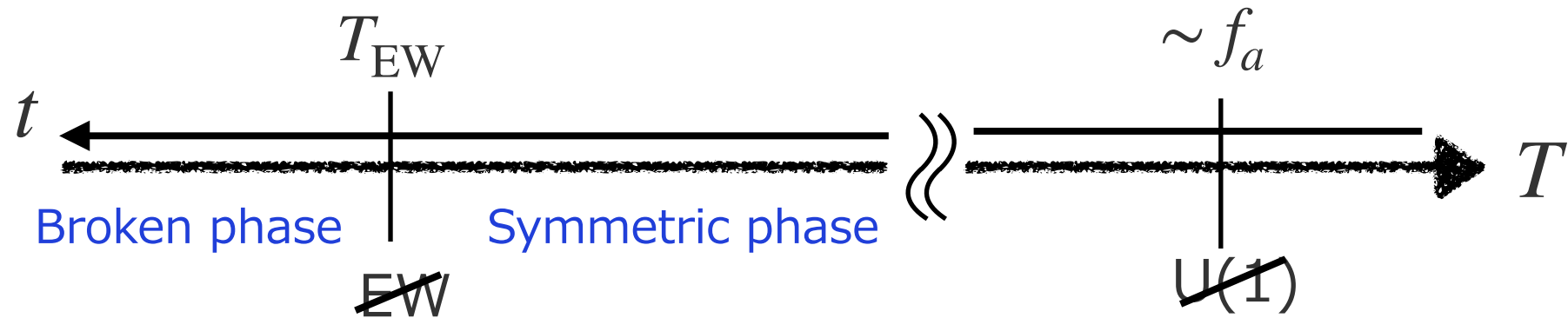


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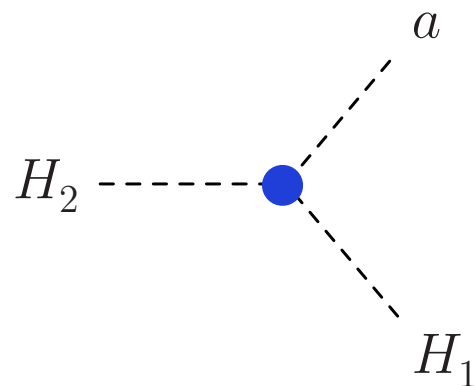
# Thermal productions from heavy Higgs: set up

## Assumptions

- $T_R > m_H$   $\rightarrow$  Heavy Higgs in thermal equilibrium
- $m_H > v_{EW}$   $\rightarrow$  Axion productions in symmetric phase

## Production processes $(H_1, H_2) = (h, A), (G^0, H), (G^\pm, H^\pm)$

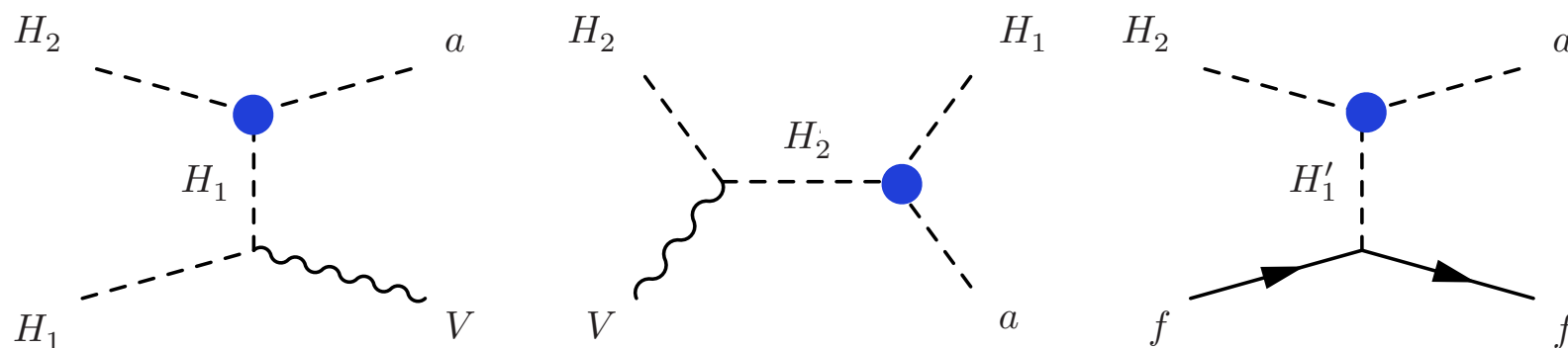
Decay:



$$\mathcal{L} \ni \frac{m_A}{v_S} s_{2\beta} a H_2 H_1$$

$\beta$  : Higgs mixing angle

Scattering:

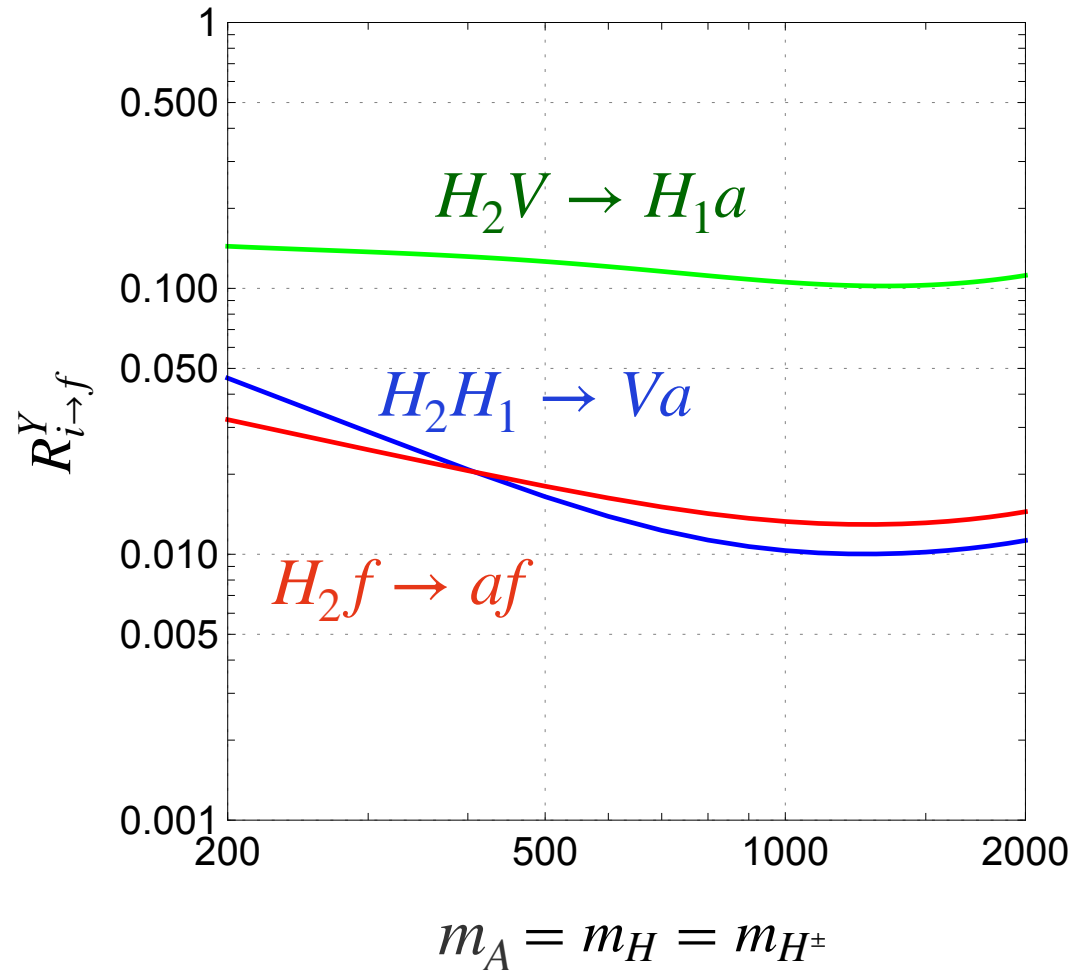


[ Double  $a$  production is suppressed by  $(m_A/v_S)^2$ . ]

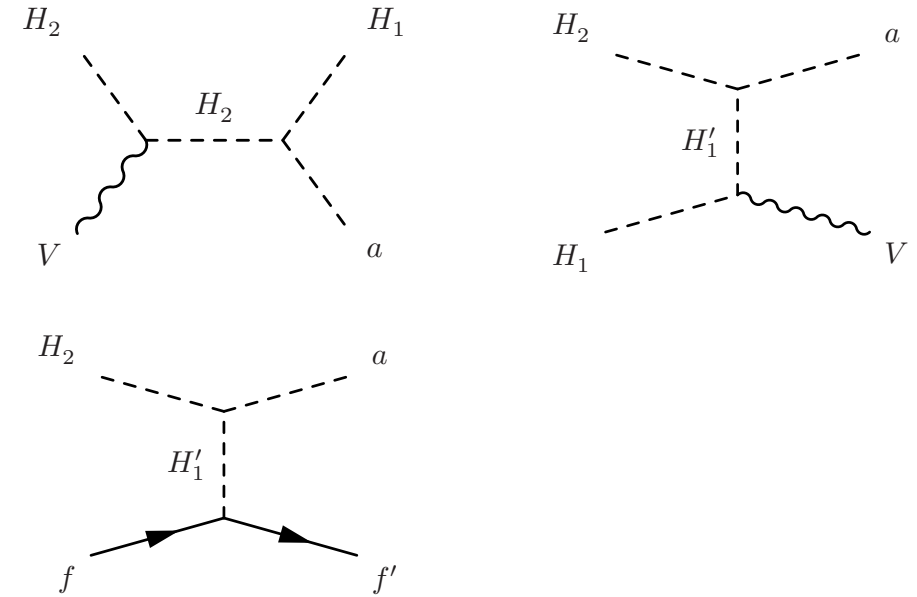
# Heavy Higgs decays vs scatterings

[KS, F. Takahashi, Preliminary]

$$s_{\beta-\alpha} = 1, t_{\beta} = 1$$



$$R_{H'_2 X_1 \rightarrow X_2 a}^Y \equiv \frac{Y_{H'_2 X_1 \rightarrow X_2 a}}{Y_{H'_2 \rightarrow H'_1 a}}$$



- $\sigma_{H_2 V \rightarrow a H_1}, \sigma_{H_2 H_1 \rightarrow a V} \gtrsim \sigma_{H_2 f \rightarrow a f}$  because  $H_2 H_1 \rightarrow Va$  and  $H_2 V \rightarrow H_1 a$  involve 16 channels.
- $\sigma_{H_2 V \rightarrow a H_1} \gtrsim \sigma_{H_2 H_1 \rightarrow a V}$  because  $H_2 V \rightarrow H_1 a$  is enhanced at  $T \sim m_H$  via threshold effect.
- Heavy Higgs boson decays are the main channels for the axion productions.

# Cosmological bounds for the keV scale axion

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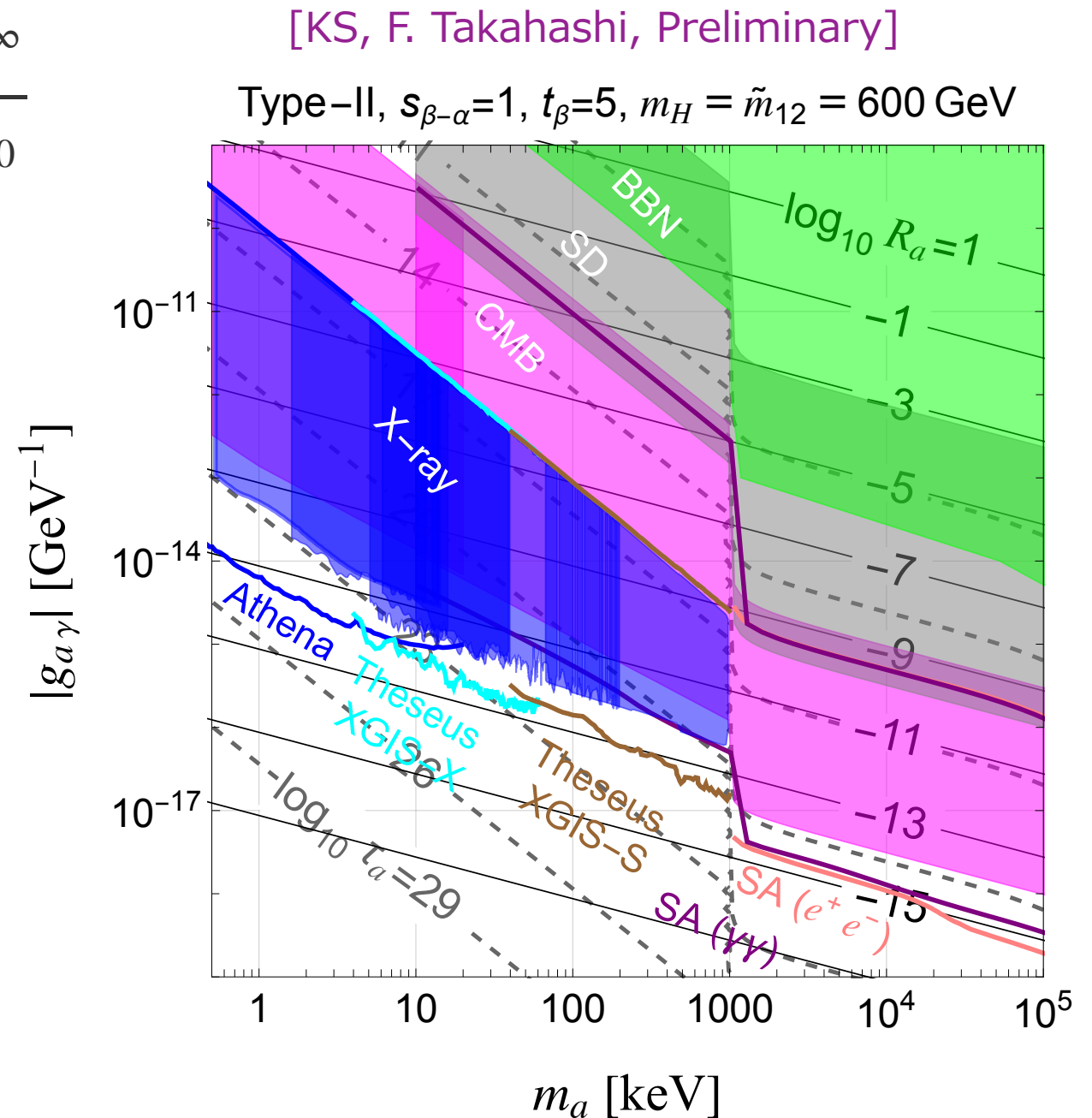
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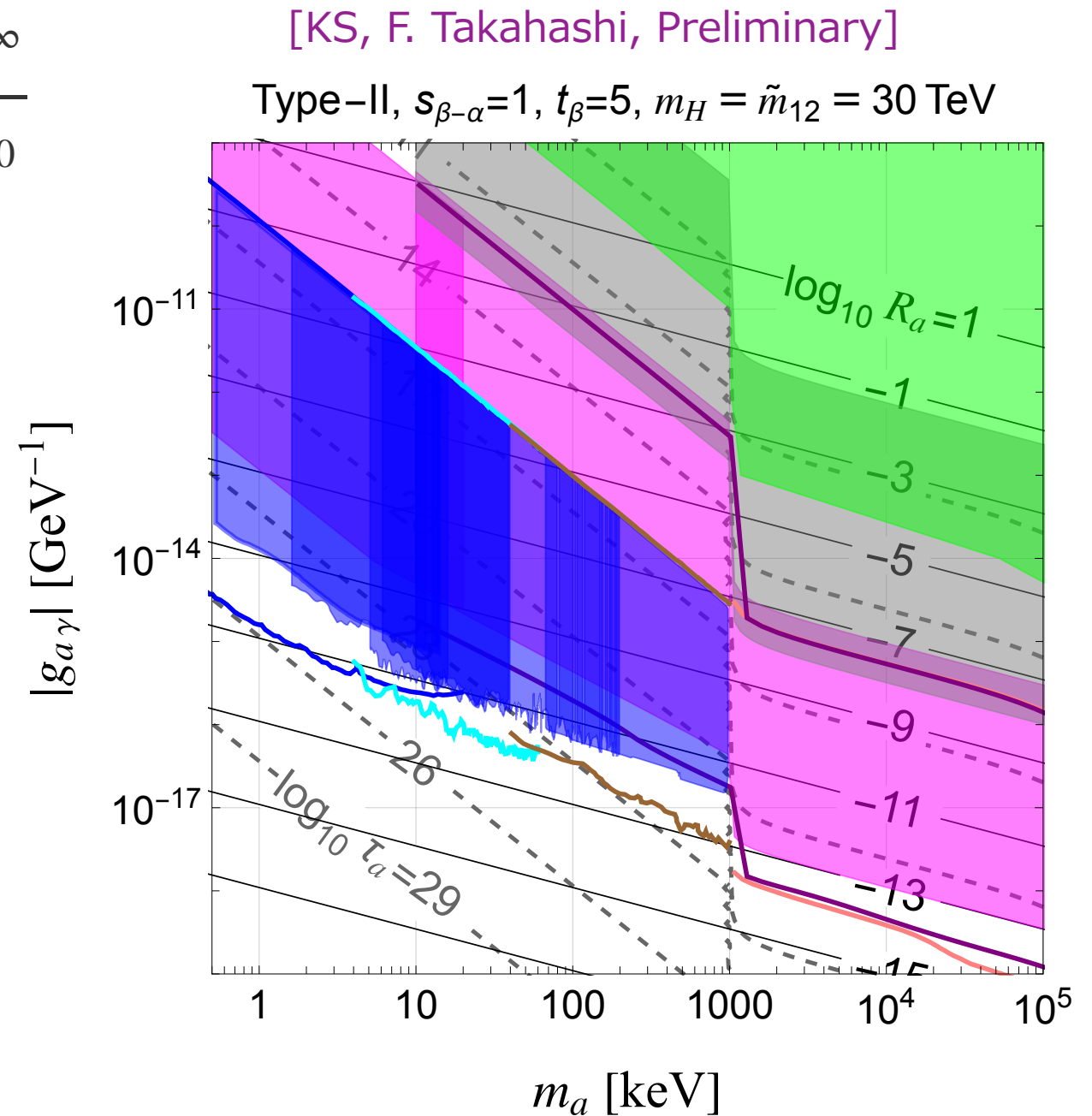
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# Summary

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- Production mechanisms between KSVZ model and DFSZ model are different.
- We have discussed axion thermal productions from the heavy Higgs bosons in DFSZ type axion models.
- Larger mass of heavy Higgs increase the axion energy density. Various cosmological bounds(Xray, CMB, etc. ) are severe.