

Unifying inflation with the axion, dark matter, baryogenesis and the see-saw mechanism



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Simple extension of the SM addressing

1. inflation
2. baryogenesis
3. dark matter
4. smallness of neutrino masses
5. strong CP problem

ν MSM

SM + Three singlet neutrinos, N_i , with Majorana masses

Asaka, Blanchet and Shaposhnikov 2005

- Small neutrino masses from the see-saw mechanism
- The lightest of the N_i is a DM candidate with \sim keV mass
- Baryon asymmetry from oscillations of the two heavier N_i
 - Does not solve the strong CP problem
 - Inflation ?

- The Higgs boson non-minimally coupled to gravity gives inflation

Bezrukov and Shaposhnikov 2008



Problems of Higgs inflation:

- a) Negative effective potential at large Higgs values
- b) Loss of unitarity (due to large non-minimal coupling)
and (consequently) lost of predictive power

Burgess, Lee and Trott 2009

Barbón and Espinosa 2009

SMAASH!

Standard **M**odel -

Axion -

See-saw -

Higgs (portal inflation)

$$\text{SMASH} = \text{SM} +$$

- Three singlet neutrinos, N_i
- A complex singlet, σ
- Q and \tilde{Q} in the fund. and anti-fund. reps. of $SU(3)_c$
(with hypercharges $-1/3$ and $1/3$, allowing them to decay)

Dias, Machado, Nishi, Ringwald and Vaudrevange (2014)

New global $U(1)$ PQ symmetry with charges:

q	u	d	L	N	E	Q	\tilde{Q}	σ
$1/2$	$-1/2$	$-1/2$	$1/2$	$-1/2$	$-1/2$	$-1/2$	$-1/2$	1

Strong CP
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KSVZ model

complex scalar + two extra quarks

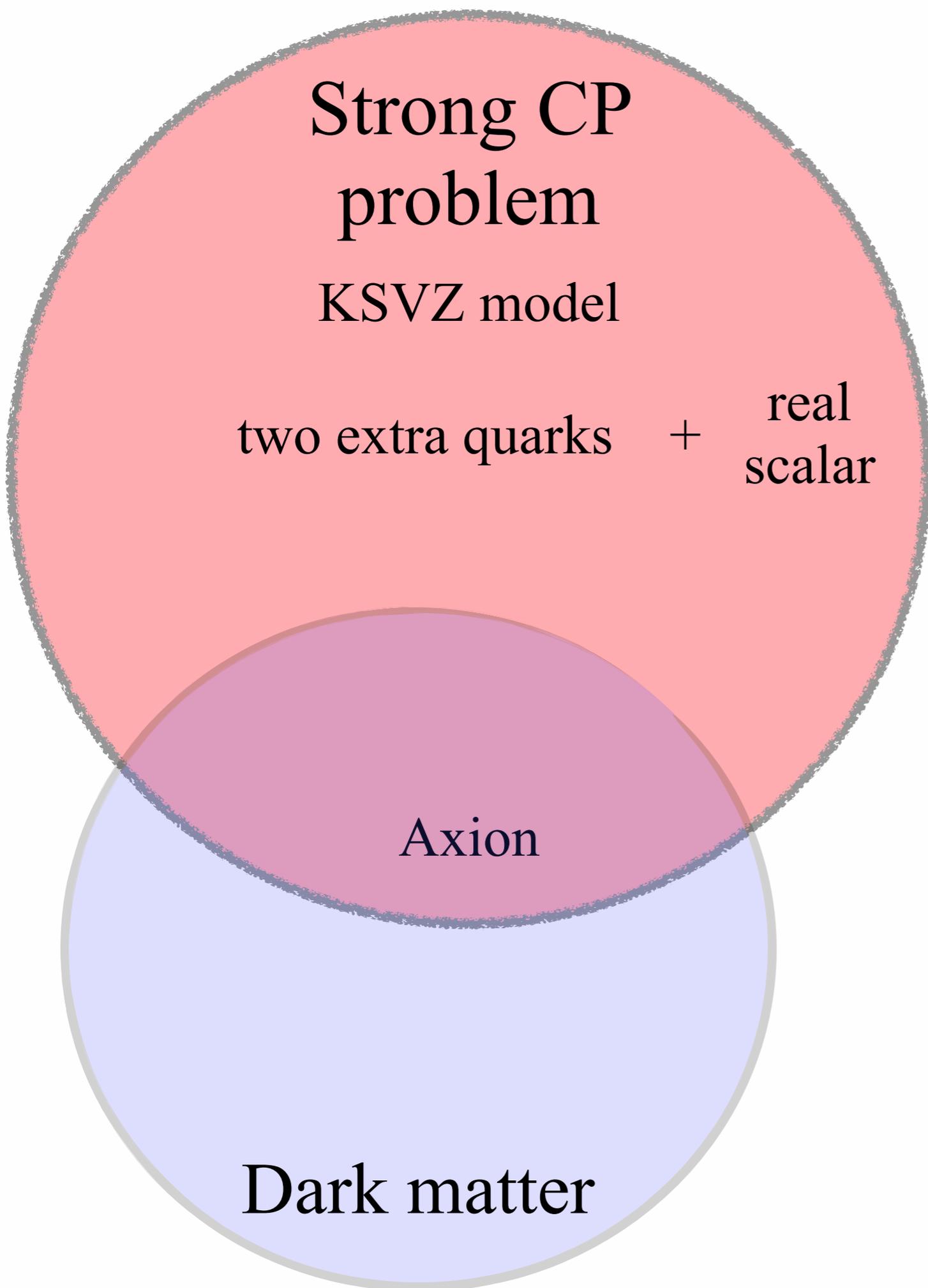
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two extra quarks + real
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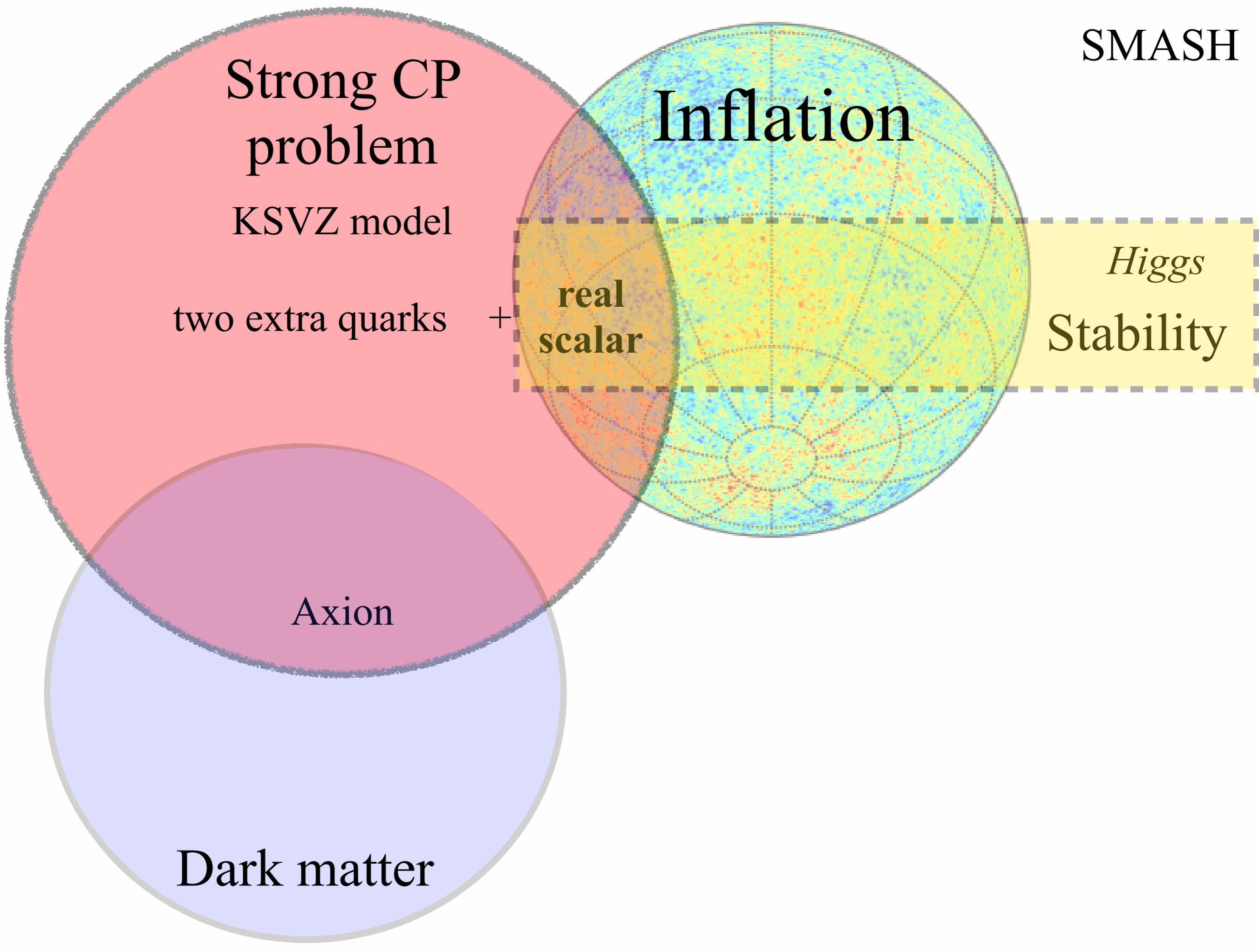
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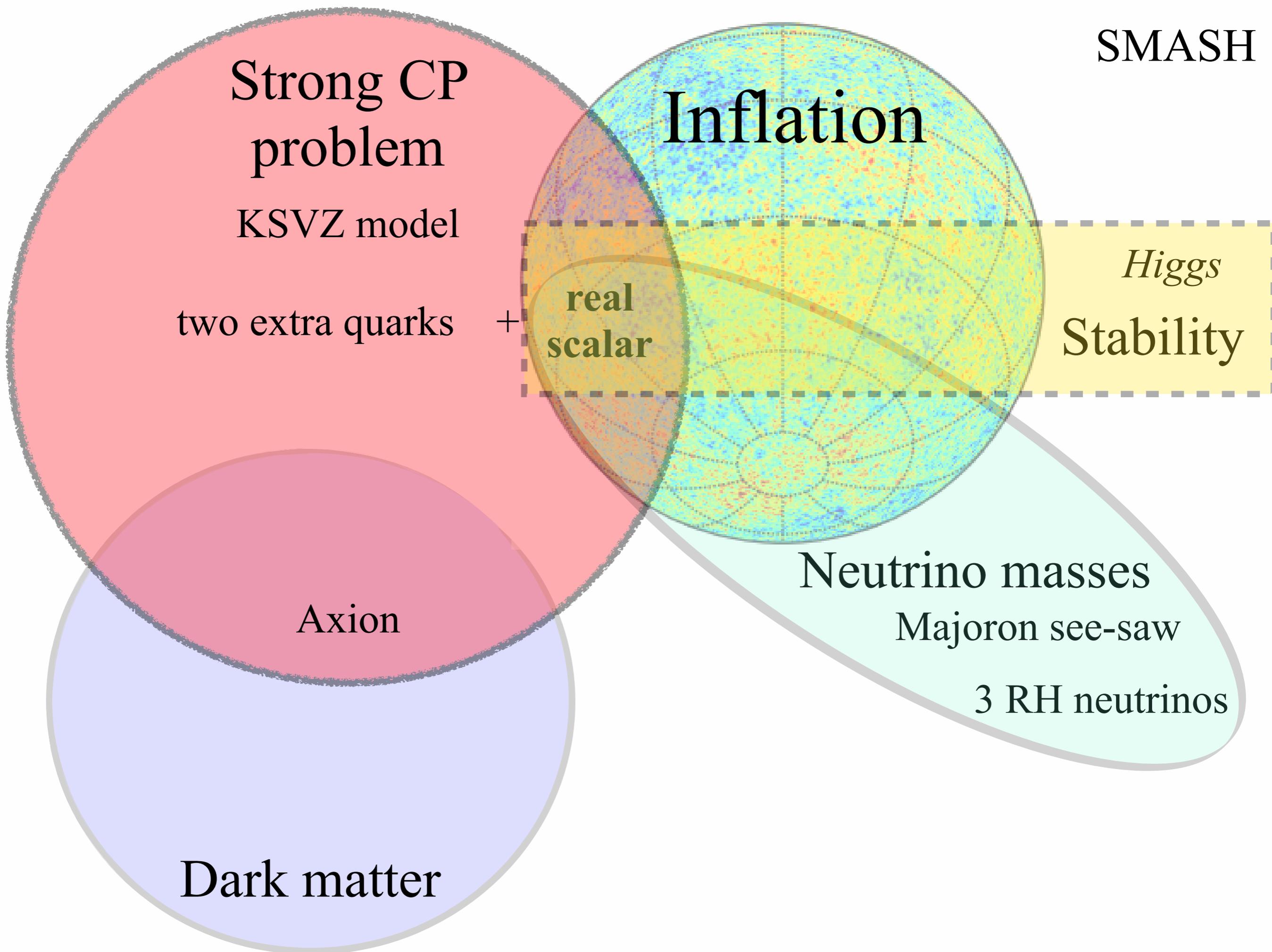
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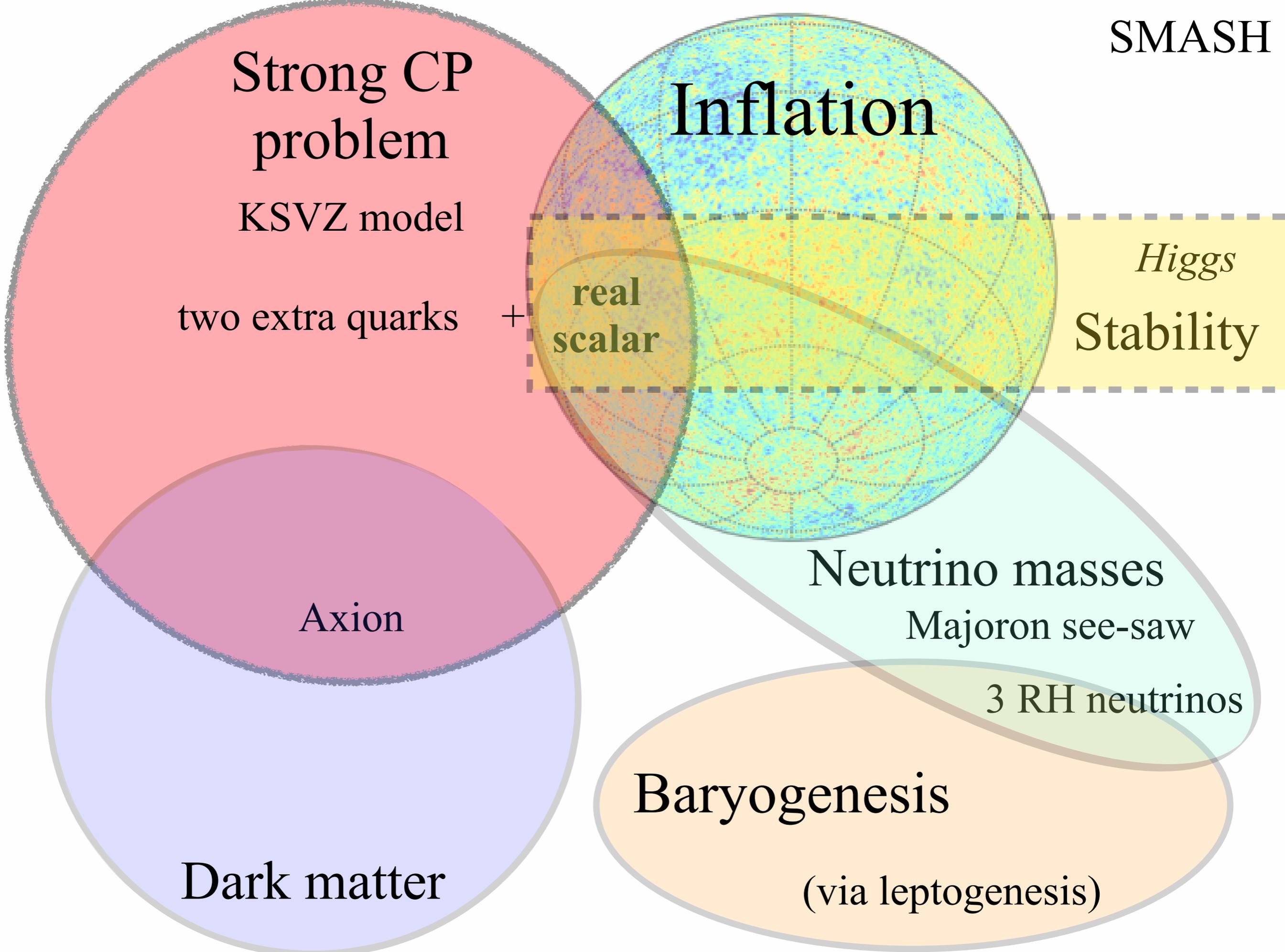
Majoron see-saw

3 RH neutrinos

Baryogenesis

(via leptogenesis)

Dark matter



Yukawa couplings and potential:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset - \left[Y_{u_{ij}} q_i \epsilon H u_j + Y_{d_{ij}} q_i H^\dagger d_j + G_{ij} L_i H^\dagger E_j + F_{ij} L_i \epsilon H N_j + \frac{1}{2} Y_{ij} \sigma N_i N_j \right. \\ \left. + y \tilde{Q} \sigma Q + y_{Q_{di}} \sigma Q d_i + h.c. \right],$$

Neutrino masses and DM

Strong CP problem and DM

$$V(H, \sigma) = \lambda_H \left(H^\dagger H - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^2 + \lambda_\sigma \left(|\sigma|^2 - \frac{v_\sigma^2}{2} \right)^2 + 2\lambda_{H\sigma} \left(H^\dagger H - \frac{v^2}{2} \right) \left(|\sigma|^2 - \frac{v_\sigma^2}{2} \right)$$

Strong CP problem, DM, inflation and stability

Couplings to gravity:

$$S \supset - \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M^2}{2} + \xi_H H^\dagger H + \xi_\sigma \sigma^* \sigma \right] R$$

Inflation

The strong CP problem

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} \in -\frac{\theta_0}{32\pi^2} G\tilde{G} \quad \text{breaks CP}$$

$$\theta \equiv \theta_0 - \arg(\det M)$$

$$\theta \lesssim 10^{-10}$$

from neutron e.d.m.



Invariant under chiral
transformations



quark mass
matrix

Solution requires a transformation under which $\delta S \propto \int G\tilde{G}$

Example: global sym. that is anomalous under SU(3)_c
(there is no such sym. in the SM)

The KSVZ axion

Kim-Shifman-Vainshtein-Zakharov (1979)

$$\mathcal{L} \in \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a + i \frac{a}{32\pi^2} G \tilde{G} \quad a \rightarrow a + c, \quad \partial_\mu c = 0$$

The coupling of the axion to QCD is a dim. 5 operator.

UV completion ?

$$\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \sigma \partial^\mu \sigma^* + \lambda_\sigma \left(|\sigma|^2 - \frac{v_\sigma^2}{2} \right)^2 + y \tilde{Q} \sigma Q + h.c.$$

$$\sigma \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} \sigma, \quad Q \rightarrow e^{-i\frac{\alpha}{2} \gamma_5} Q$$

Redefine Q with a chiral transformation of parameter $\alpha = \frac{a}{v_\sigma}$

and integrate out Q and $|\sigma|$ below v_σ (large VEV)

Scalar potential and inflation

$$V(H, \sigma) = \lambda_H \left(H^\dagger H - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^2 + \lambda_\sigma \left(|\sigma|^2 - \frac{v_\sigma^2}{2} \right)^2 + 2\lambda_{H\sigma} \left(H^\dagger H - \frac{v^2}{2} \right) \left(|\sigma|^2 - \frac{v_\sigma^2}{2} \right)$$

$$S \supset - \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M^2}{2} + \xi_H H^\dagger H + \xi_\sigma \sigma^* \sigma \right] R,$$

ξ_H and ξ_σ are generated radiatively. $M_P^2 = M^2 + \xi_H v^2 + \xi_\sigma v_\sigma^2$.

Higgs inflation & perturbative unitarity

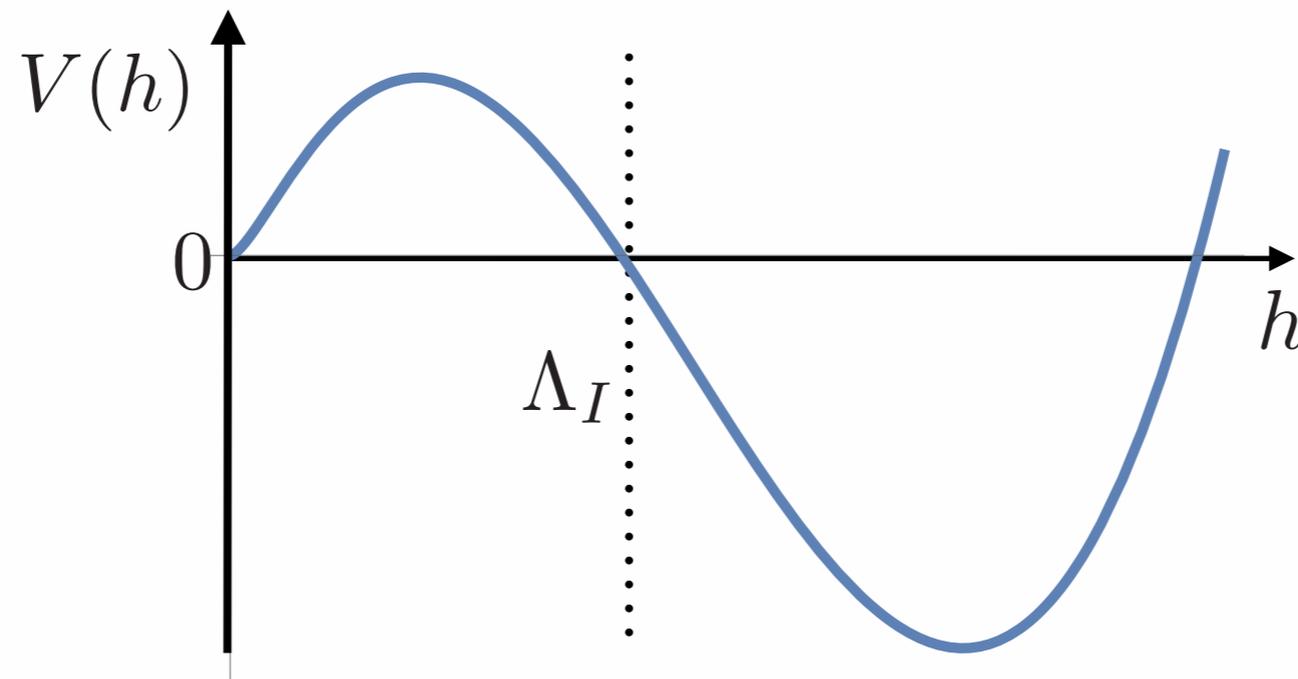
$$\xi_H \sim 10^5 \sqrt{\lambda_H} \sim 10^4$$

$$\Lambda_U = \frac{M_P}{\xi_H} \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \ll \frac{M_P}{\sqrt{\xi_H}} \sim 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$$

To restore unitarity physics must change at or below Λ_U ,
very likely altering the inflationary dynamics.

Inflation and the SM instability

$$V(h) < 0 \quad \text{at} \quad h = \Lambda_I \sim 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$$



Quantum fluctuations of the Higgs:

$$\sqrt{\langle h^2 \rangle} \sim H \sim \frac{\sqrt{V_{\text{inf}}(\phi)}}{M_P} \sim 10^{-5} M_P \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \gg \Lambda_I$$

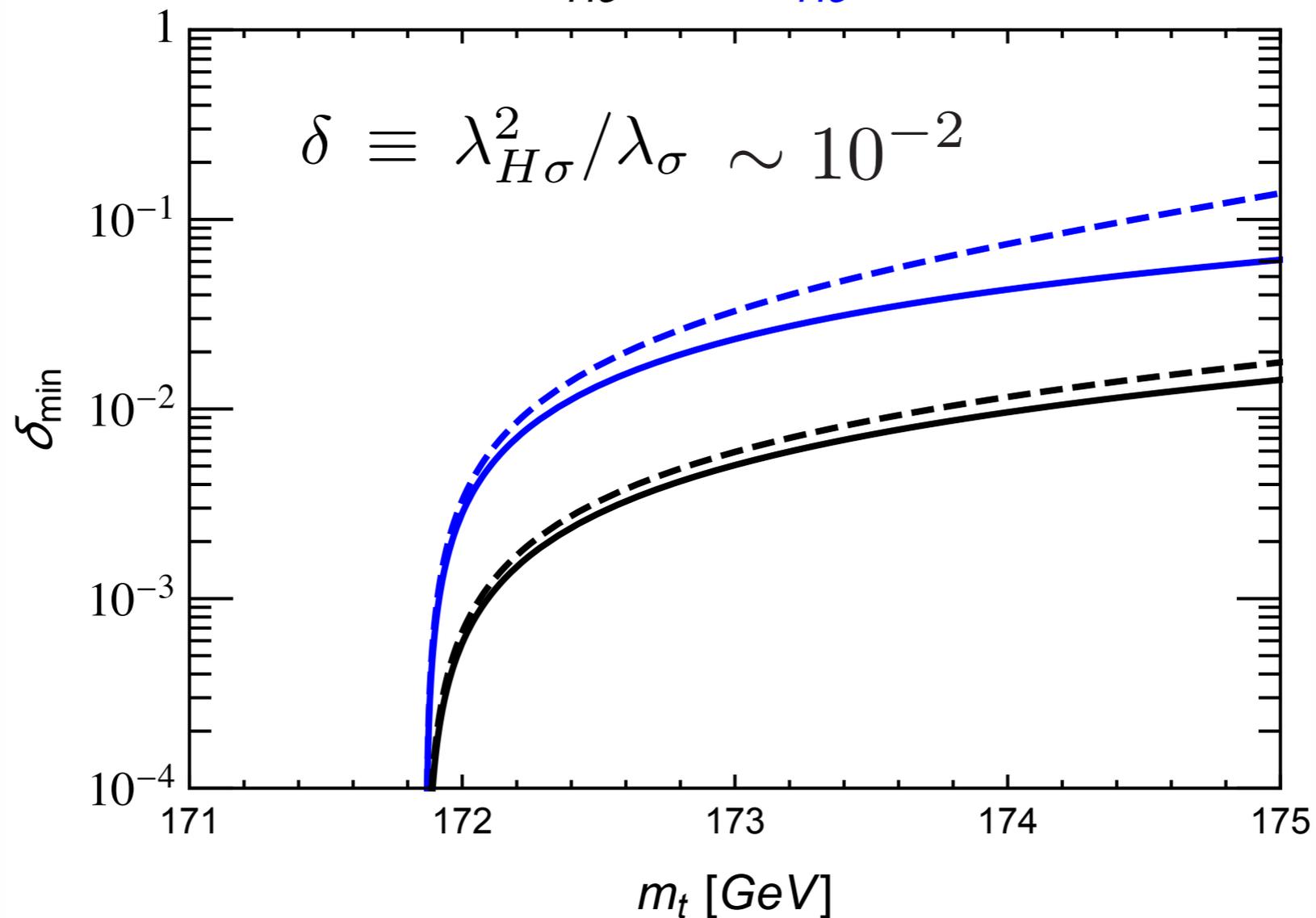
Threshold stabilization

Lebedev 2012

Elias-Miro, Espinosa, Giudice, Lee, Strumia 2012

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$$\lambda_{H\sigma} > 0, \quad \lambda_{H\sigma} < 0$$



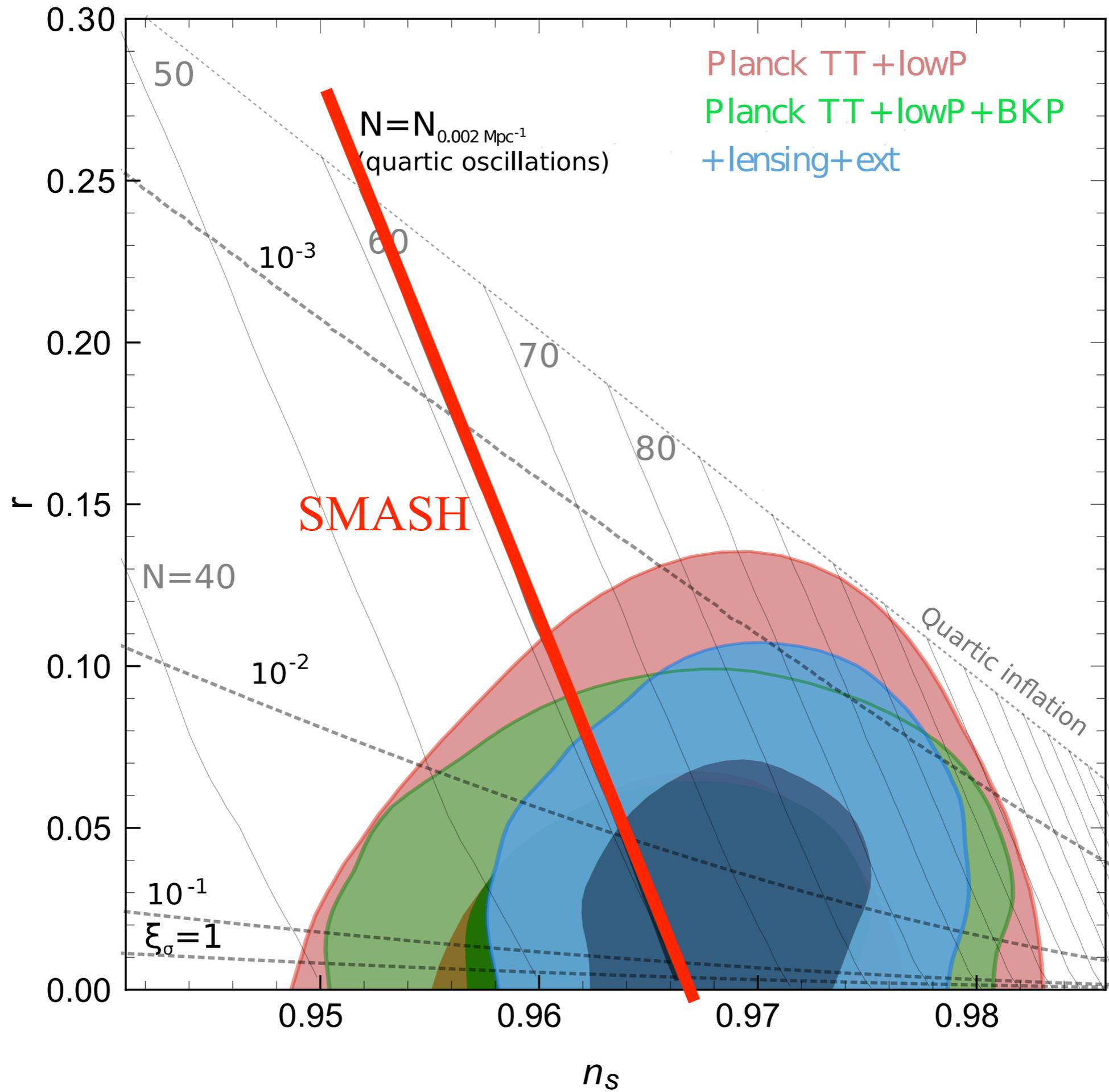
Inflation in SMASH

$$\tilde{V}(\chi) = \frac{\lambda}{4} \rho(\chi)^4 \left(1 + \xi_\sigma \frac{\rho(\chi)^2}{M_P^2} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\lambda_{H\sigma} > 0 \longrightarrow \rho = |\sigma|, \quad \lambda = \lambda_\sigma$$

or

$$\lambda_{H\sigma} < 0 \longrightarrow \begin{aligned} \rho &= |\sigma| + \text{small Higgs component} \\ \lambda &= \lambda_\sigma - \lambda_{H\sigma}^2 / \lambda_H \end{aligned}$$



Reheating & dark radiation

Inflation ends for $\rho \sim \mathcal{O}(M_P)$
and the inflaton oscillates in a quartic potential

$\lambda_{H\sigma} > 0$, $T_R \sim 10^7$ GeV $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 1$ Too much
axion radiation

$\lambda_{H\sigma} < 0$, $T_R \sim 10^{10}$ GeV $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.03$



Axion dark matter

$\lambda_{H\sigma} < 0$ Inflaton = new singlet + a bit of Higgs

PQ symmetry restored after inflation

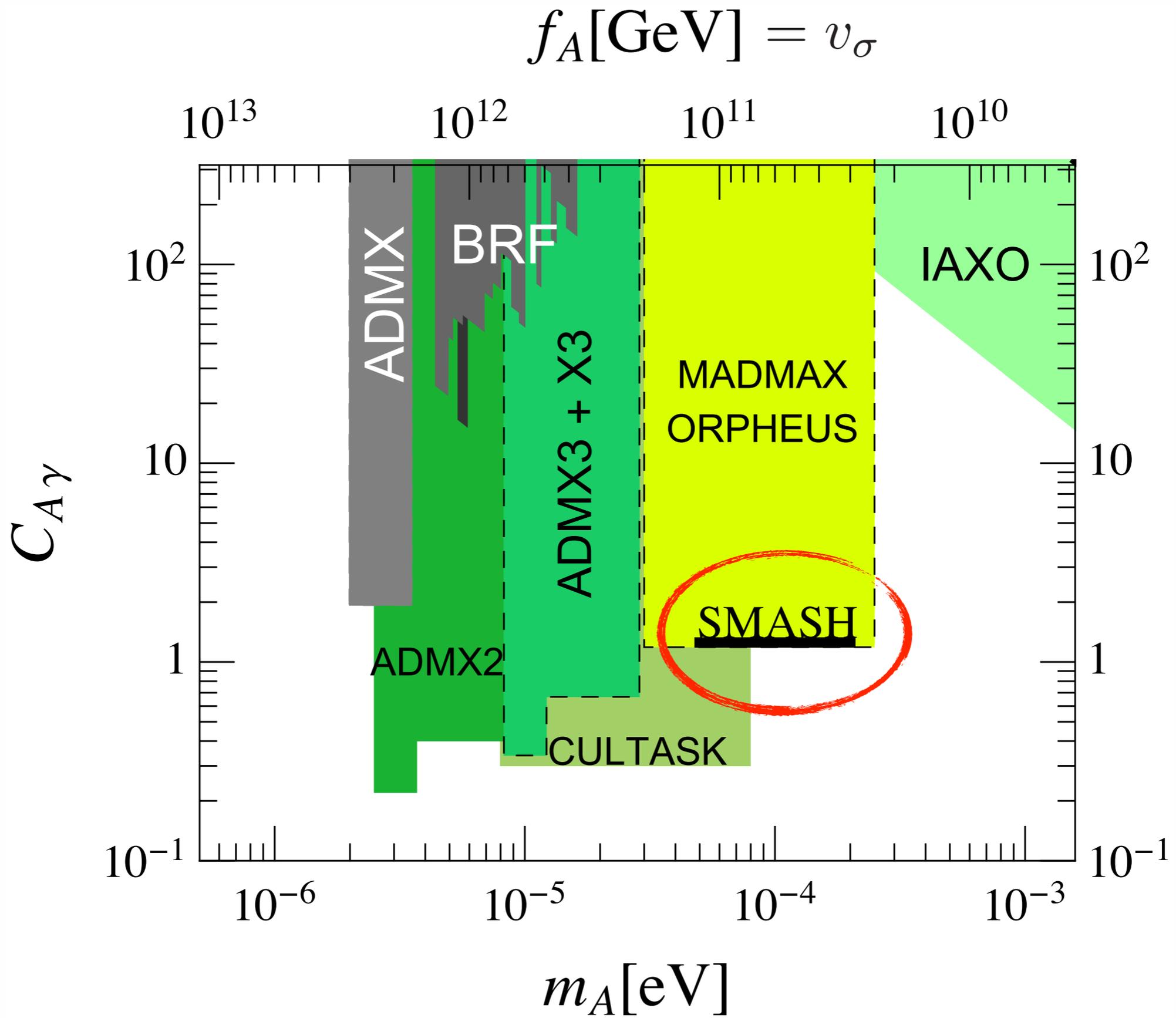
$$3 \times 10^{10} \text{ GeV} \lesssim v_\sigma \lesssim 1.2 \times 10^{11} \text{ GeV},$$

- vacuum misalignment mechanism
- decay of strings and domain walls

$$m_a = \left(\frac{10^{12} \text{ GeV}}{v_\sigma} \right) (5.70 \pm 0.07) \mu\text{eV}$$

Grilli di Cortona, Hardy, Pardo Vega, Villadoro (2016)

$$50 \mu\text{eV} \lesssim m_A \lesssim 200 \mu\text{eV}$$



Matter/anti-matter asymmetry

obtained from thermal leptogenesis:

Fukugita and Yanagida, 1986

Vanilla leptogenesis:

Hierarchical RH neutrino mass spectrum $3M_1 \lesssim M_3 \sim M_2$

(determined by the Yukawas in our case)

For a thermal distribution of the lightest RH neutrino and neglecting flavour effects, the observed baryon asymmetry is generated if

$$M_1 \gtrsim 5 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV}; \quad (M_D M_D^T)_{11} / M_1 \lesssim 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

Davidson and Ibarra, 2002

Buchmüller, di Bari and Plumacher 2002

For larger RH masses, resonant leptogenesis may occur

Pilaftsis and Underwood, 2003

Conclusion

“ SMASH = SM + KSVZ + RH ν ”

Solves

the strong CP problem, by *the KSVZ axion*

and explains:

the smallness of neutrino masses, by *the see-saw*;

the nature of dark matter, which is *the axion*;

baryogenesis, via *leptogenesis*

&

and the origin of *primordial inflation*.