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Update on the Phase Transition Parameter Estimation Project

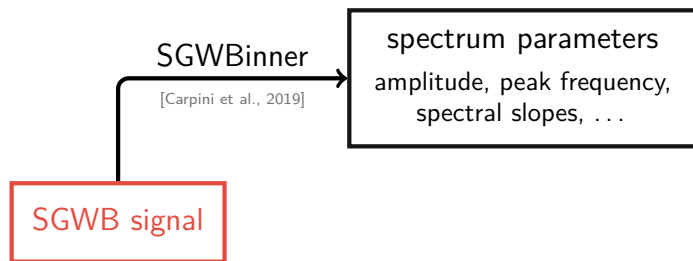
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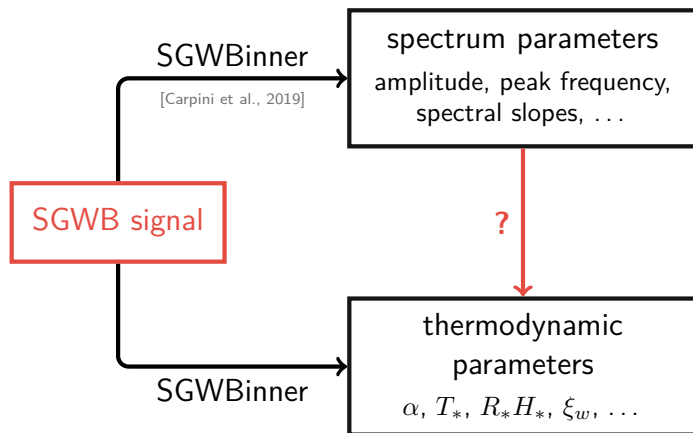
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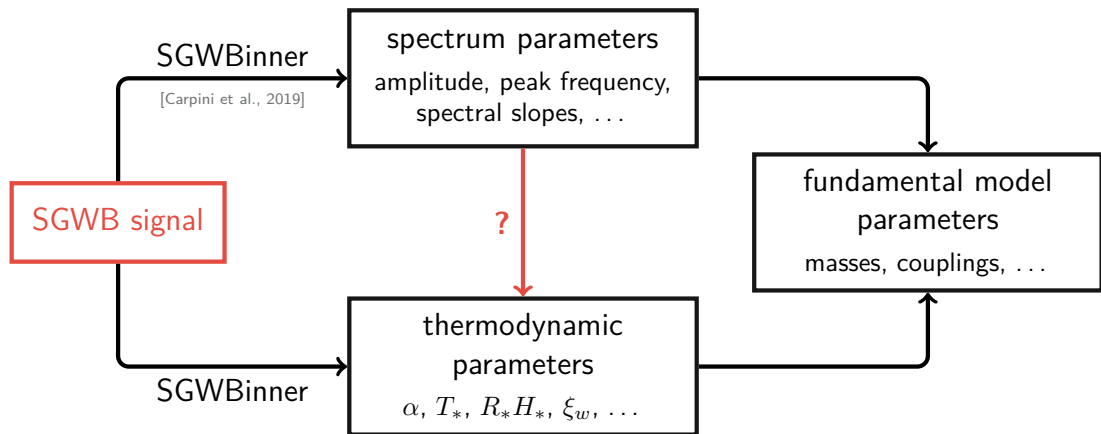
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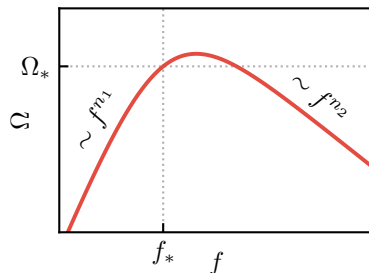
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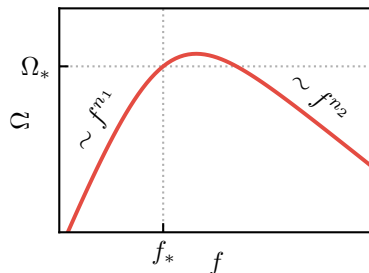


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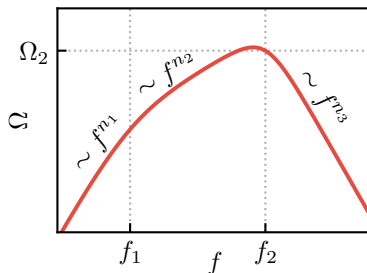
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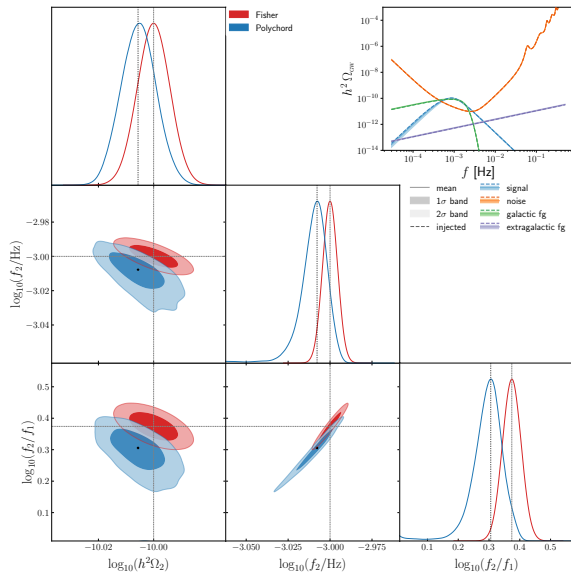
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- sound waves: [Jinno et al., 2023]
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- MHD turbulence: [Roper Pol et al., 2022]
 $(n_1, n_2, n_2, a_1, a_2) = (3, 1, -\frac{8}{3}, 4, 2.15)$

Polychord/MCMC vs. Fisher analysis



○ estimation of parameter reconstruction reach based on generated data + Polychord takes a lot of time

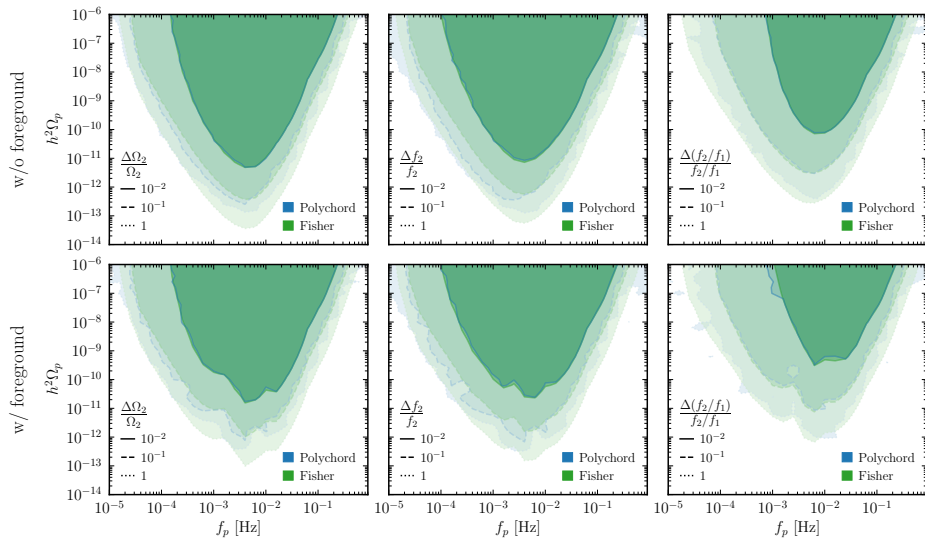
○ alternative: Fisher analysis

$$C_{ij}^{-1} = \mathcal{F}_{ij} = -\frac{\partial^2 \log \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j}$$

works well if posteriors are approximately Gaussian

$$h^2 \Omega_2 = 10^{-10}, \quad f_2 = 1 \text{ mHz}, \quad \frac{f_2}{f_1} = \frac{3 + \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Spectral parameter reconstruction



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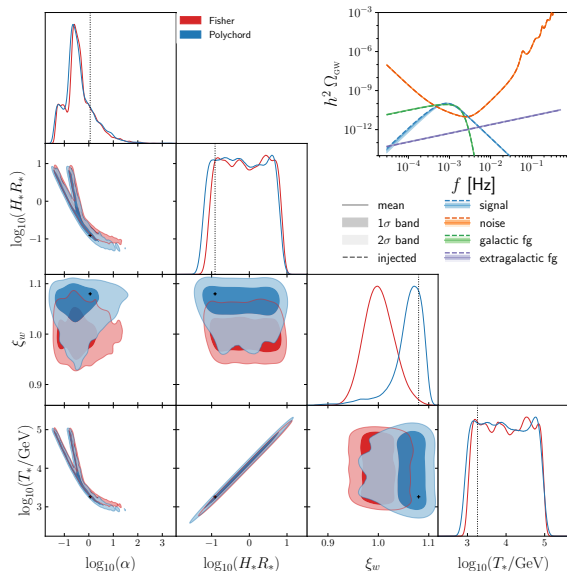
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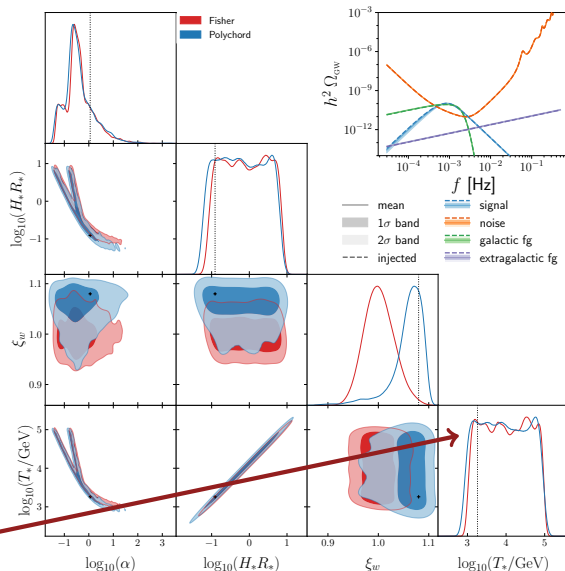
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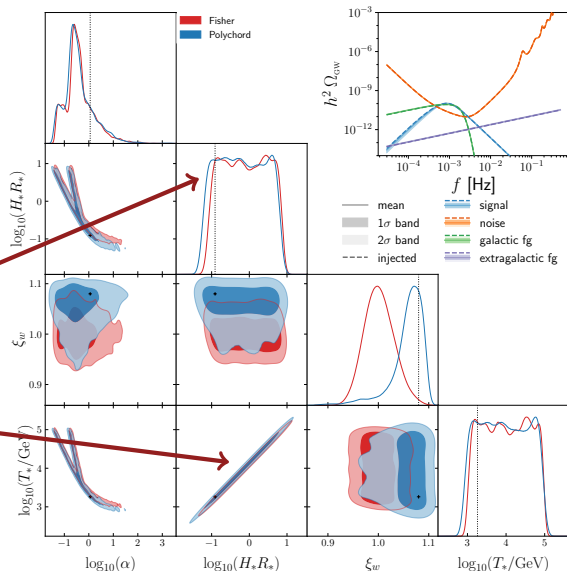
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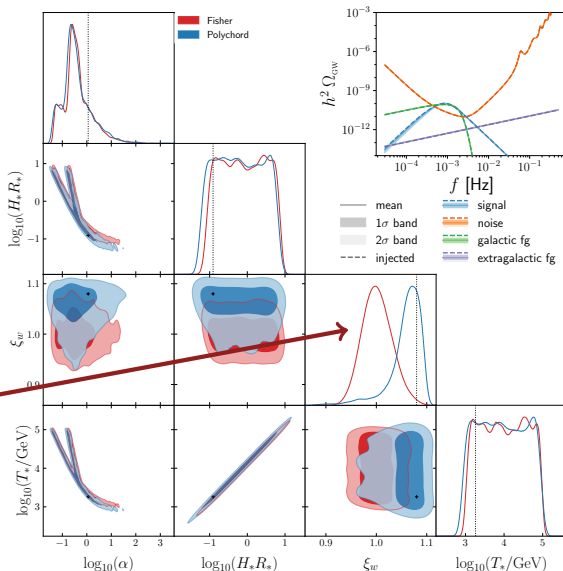
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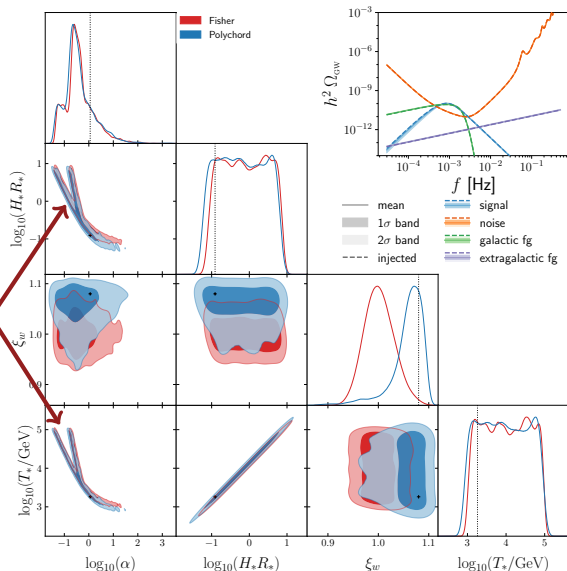
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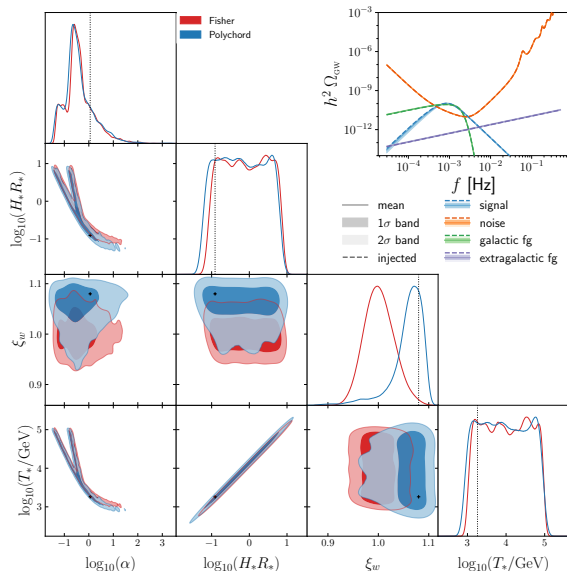
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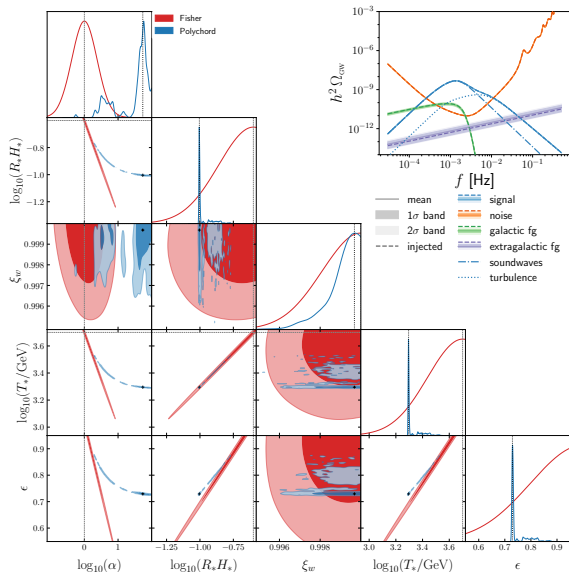
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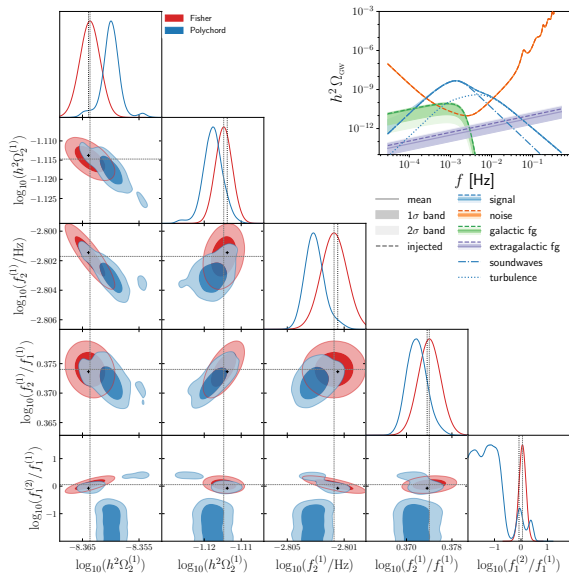
- BUT:

- degeneracies remain
- inputs not reconstructed
- Fisher and Polychord disagree

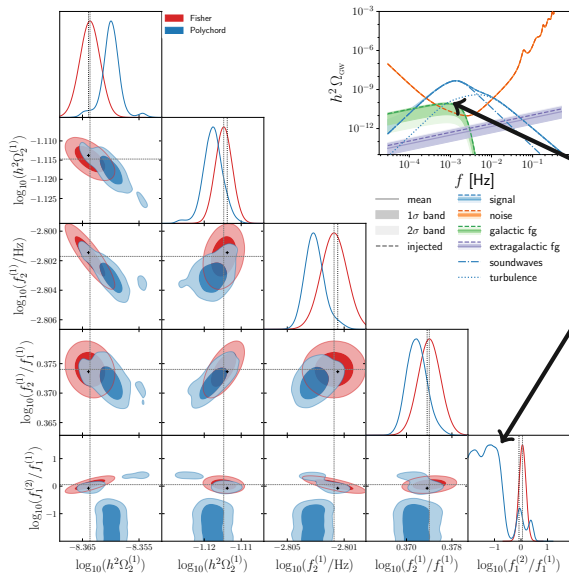


$$\alpha = 1, R_* H_* = 0.25, \xi_w = 1, T_* = 500 \text{ GeV}, \epsilon = 1$$

Two double broken power-laws



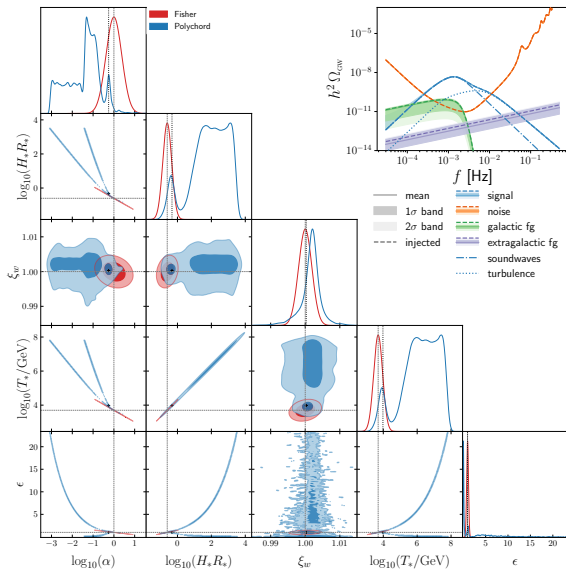
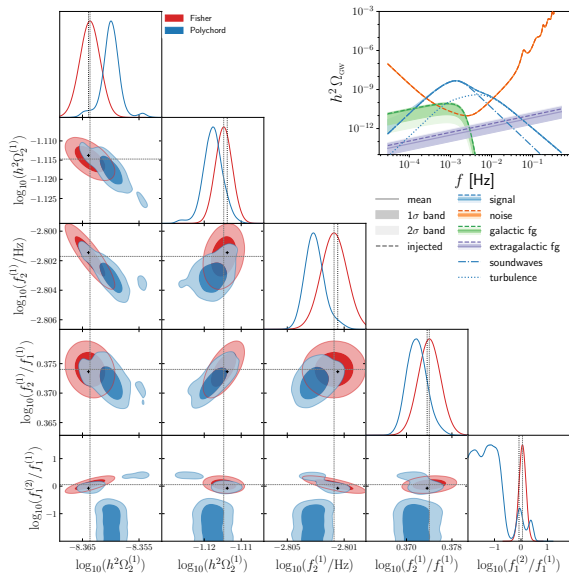
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First break of turbulence spectrum
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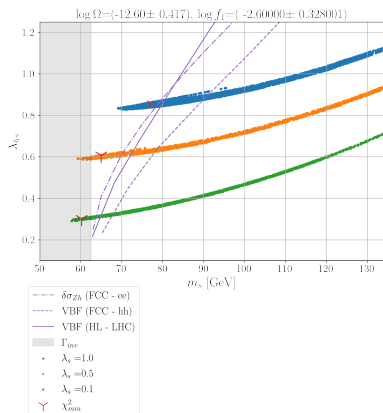
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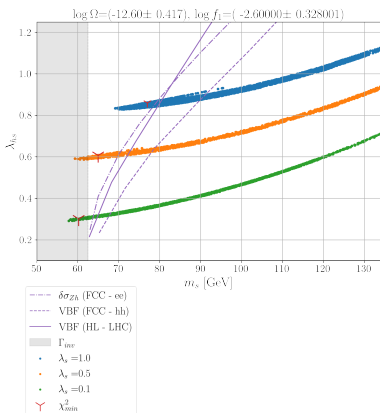
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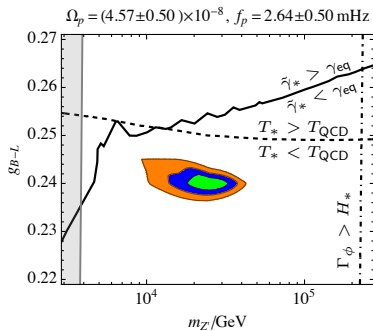
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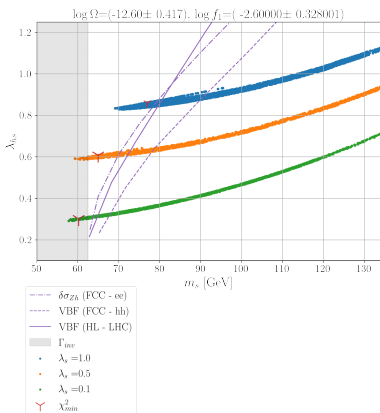
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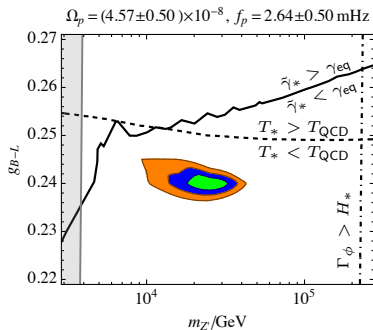
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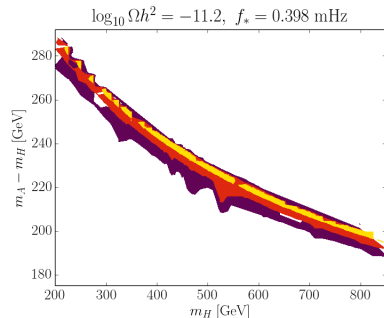
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Two-Higgs-doublet model



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