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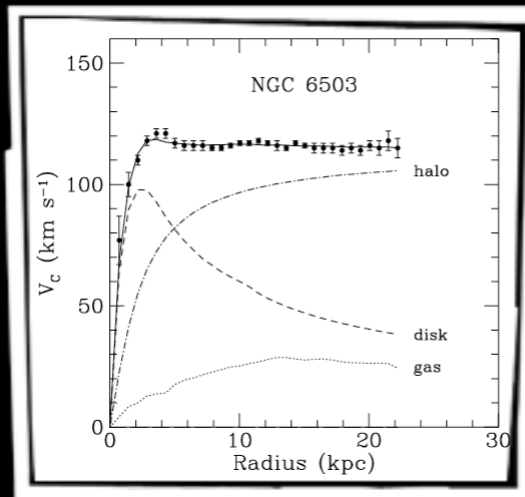
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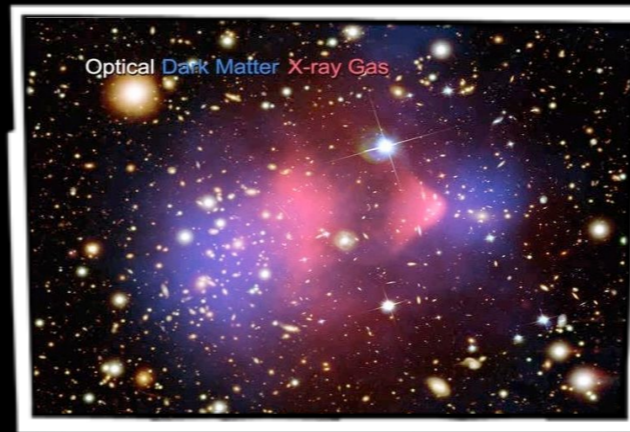
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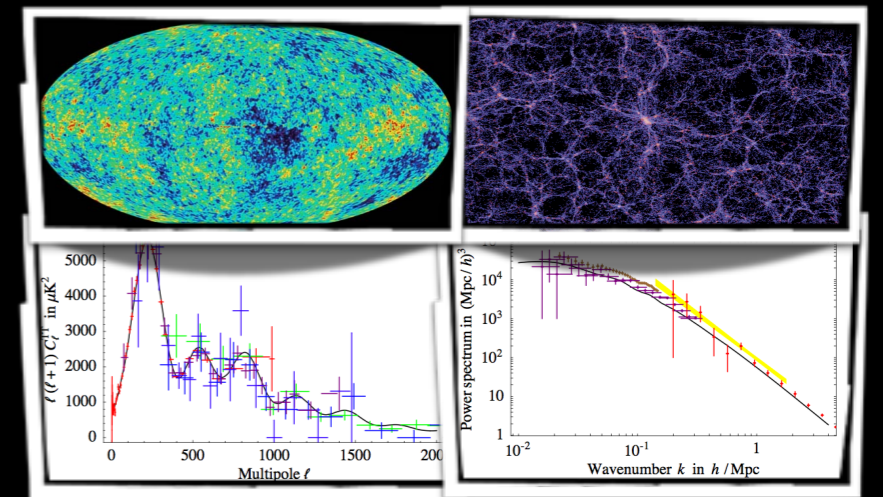
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'precision cosmology' (CMB, LSS)

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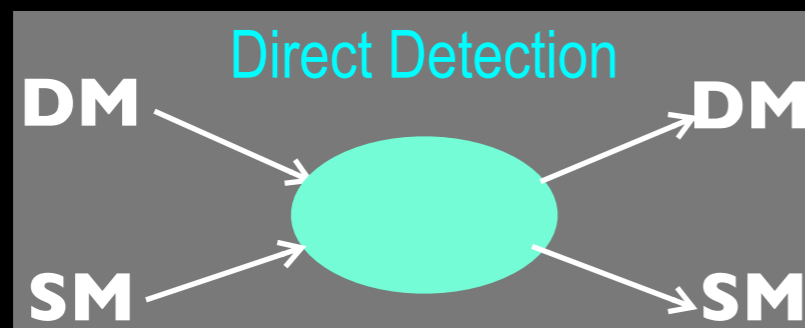
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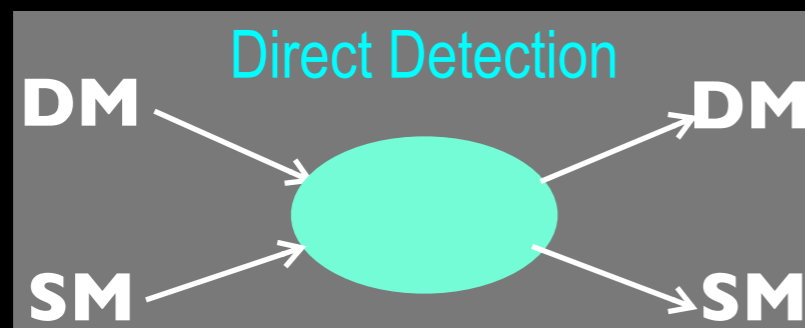
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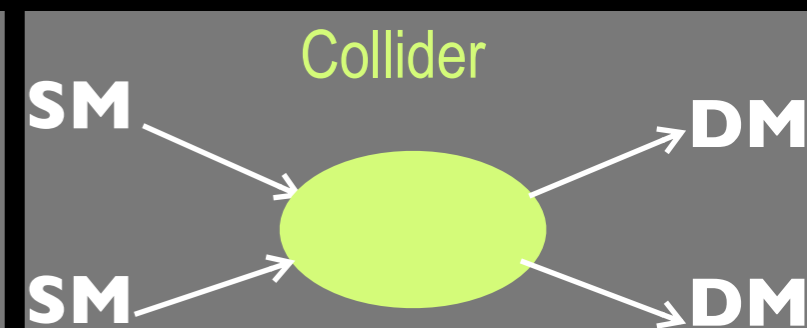
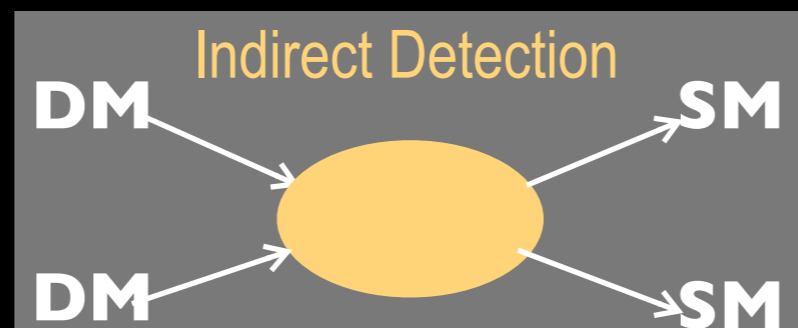
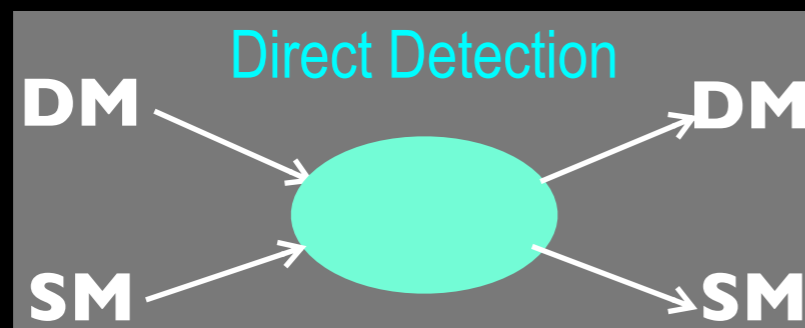
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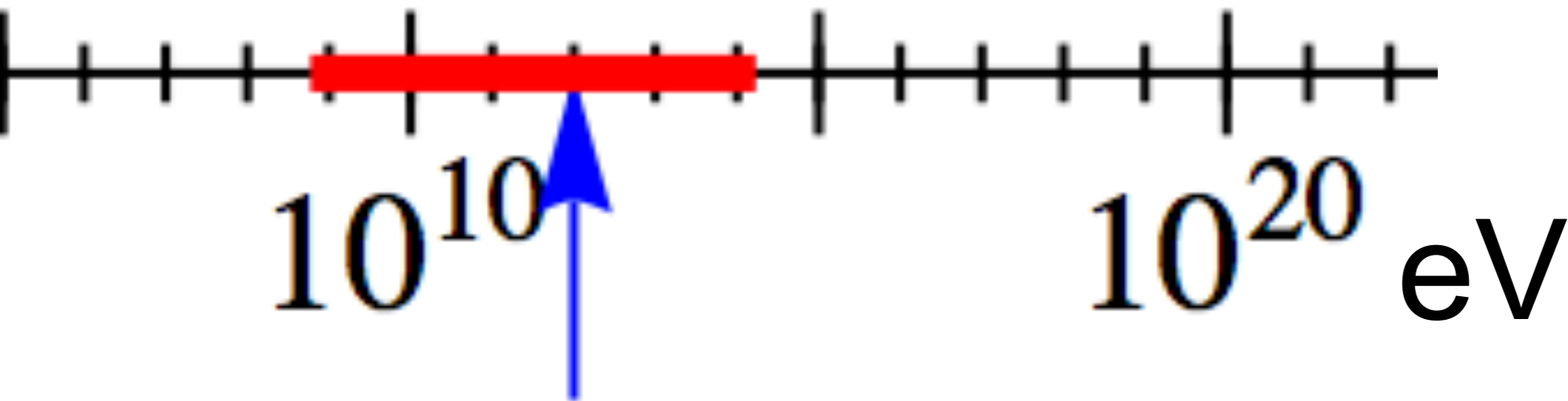
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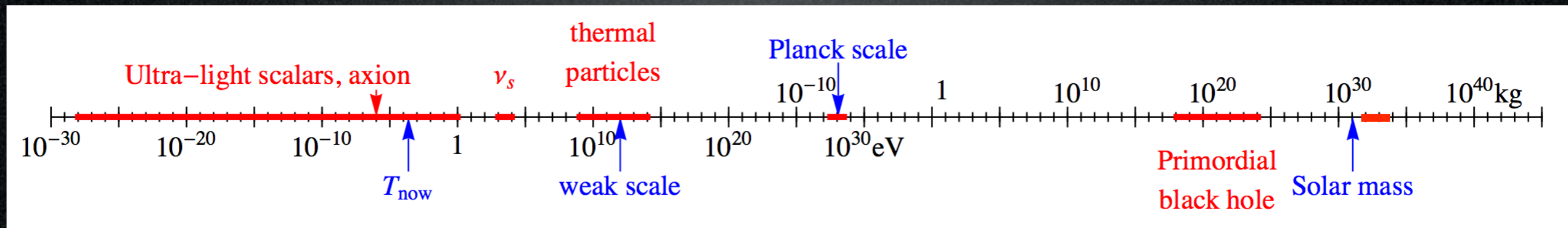
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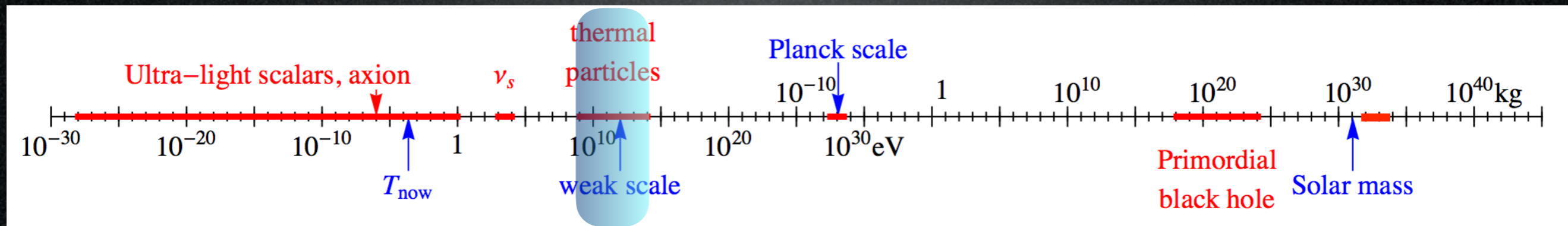
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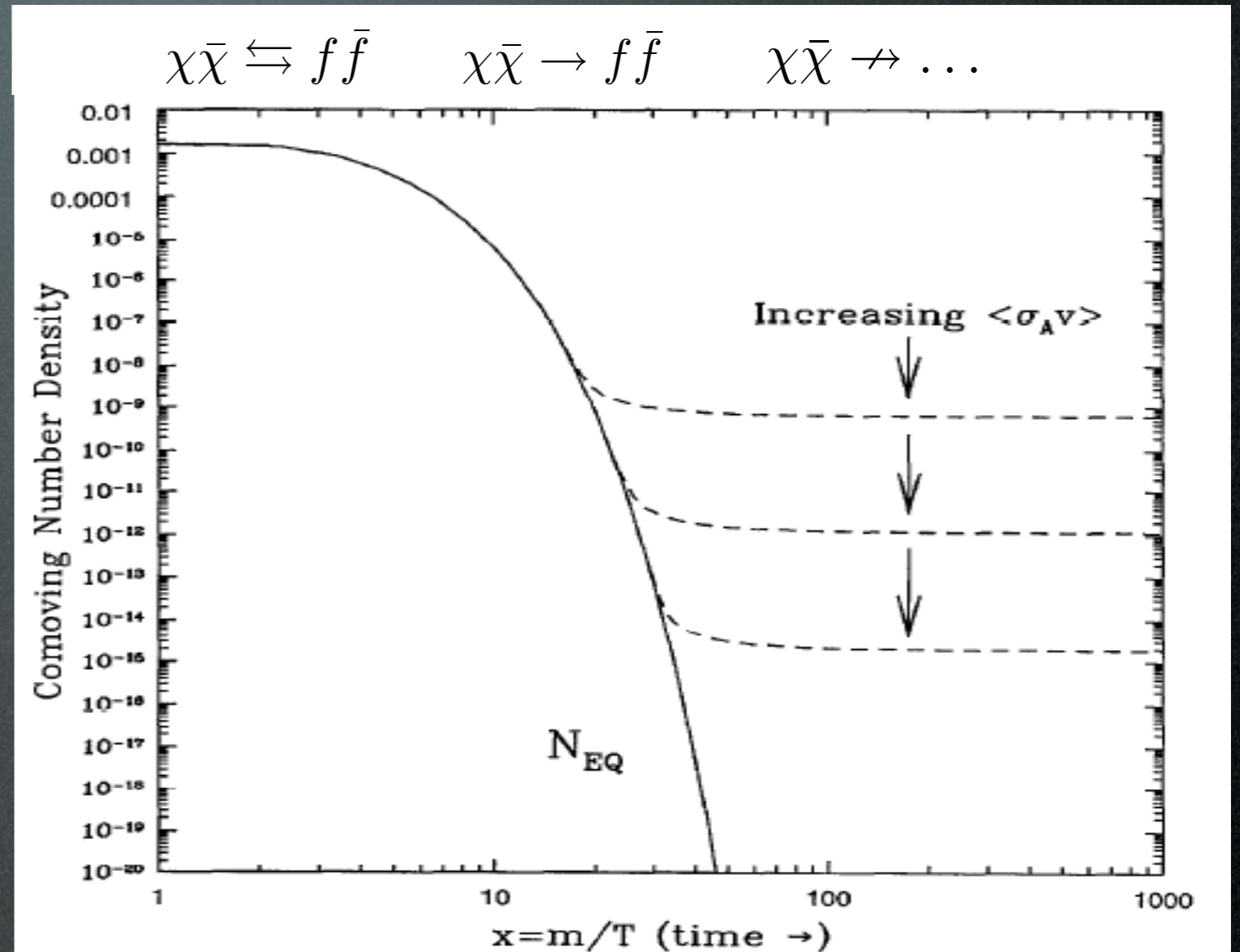
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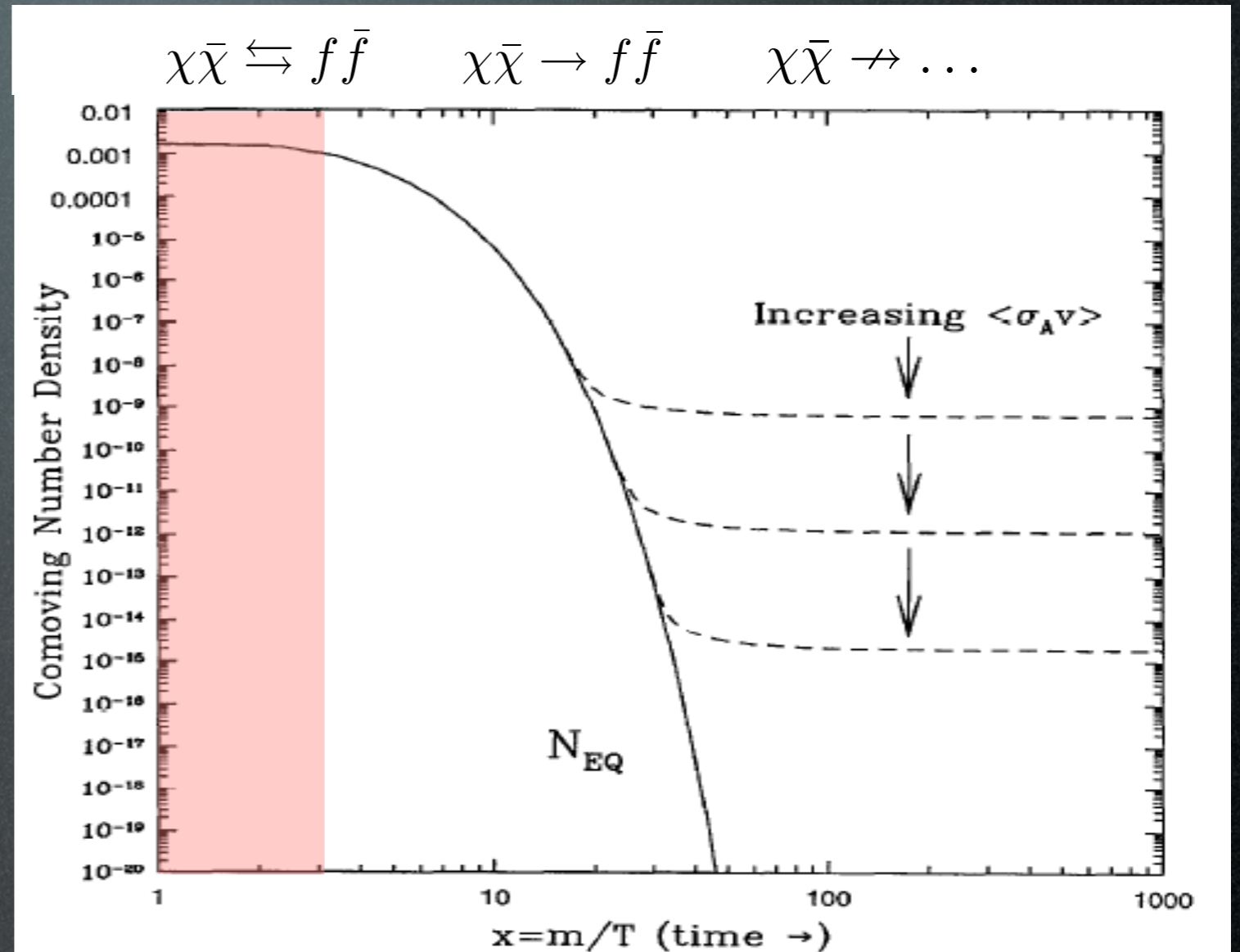
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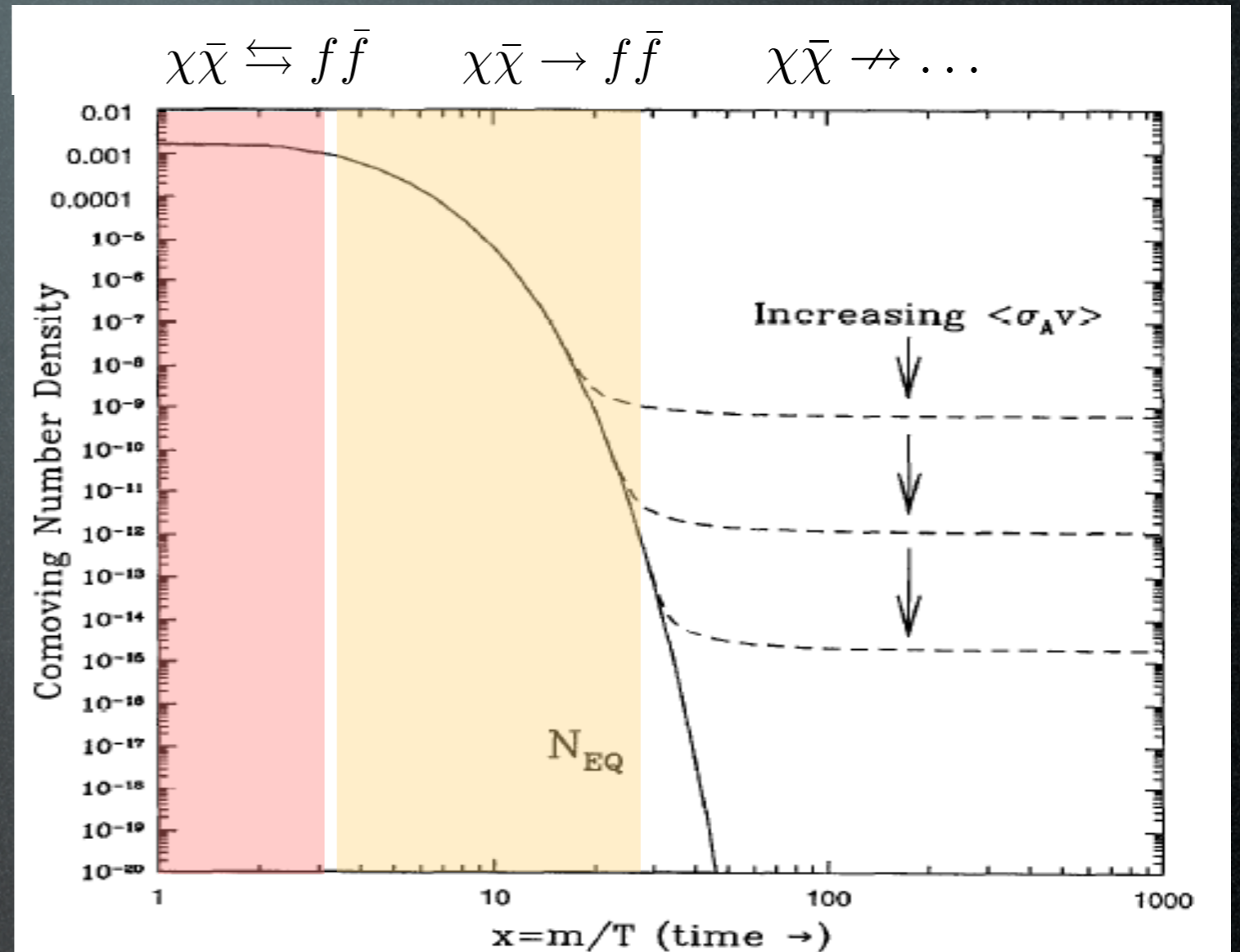
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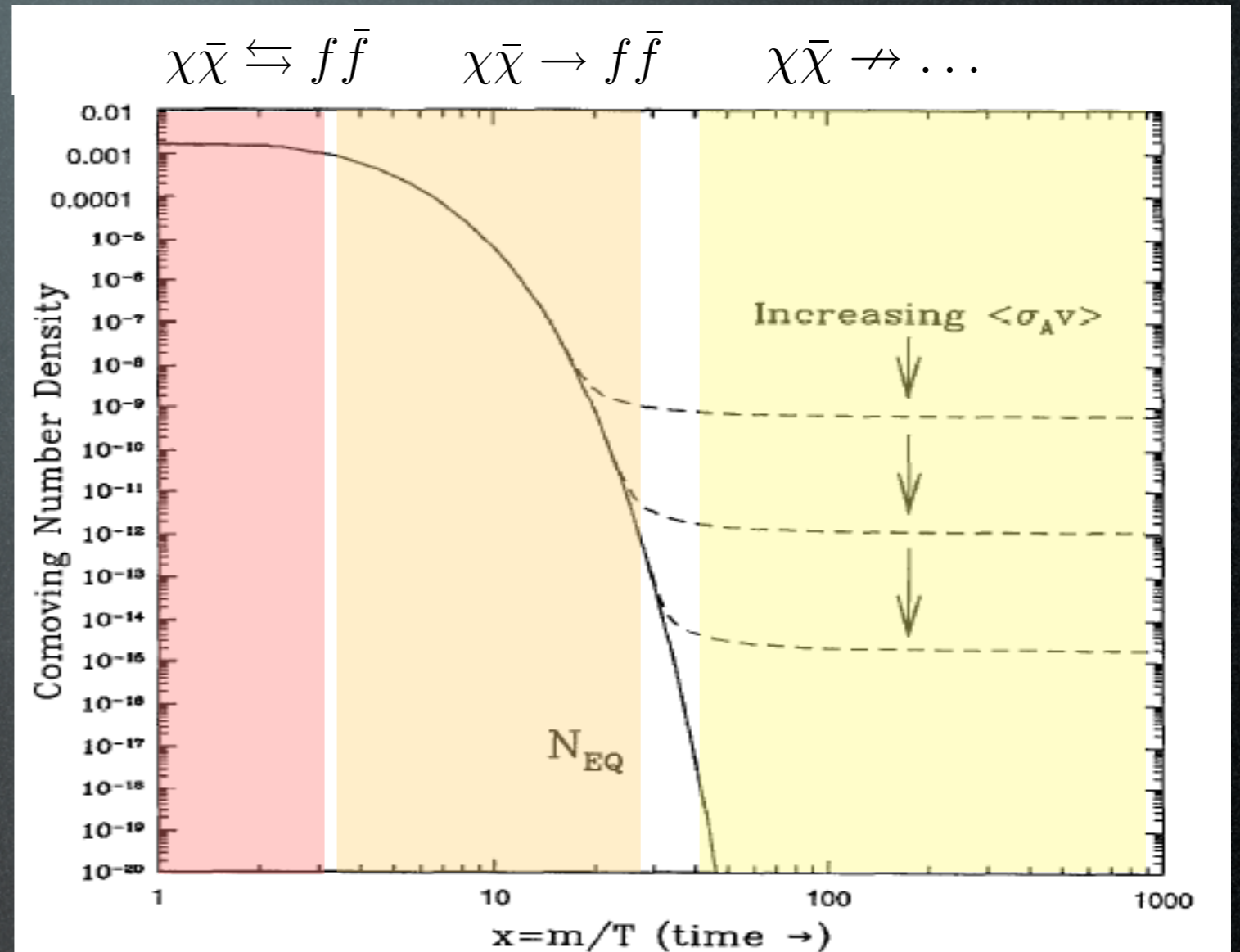
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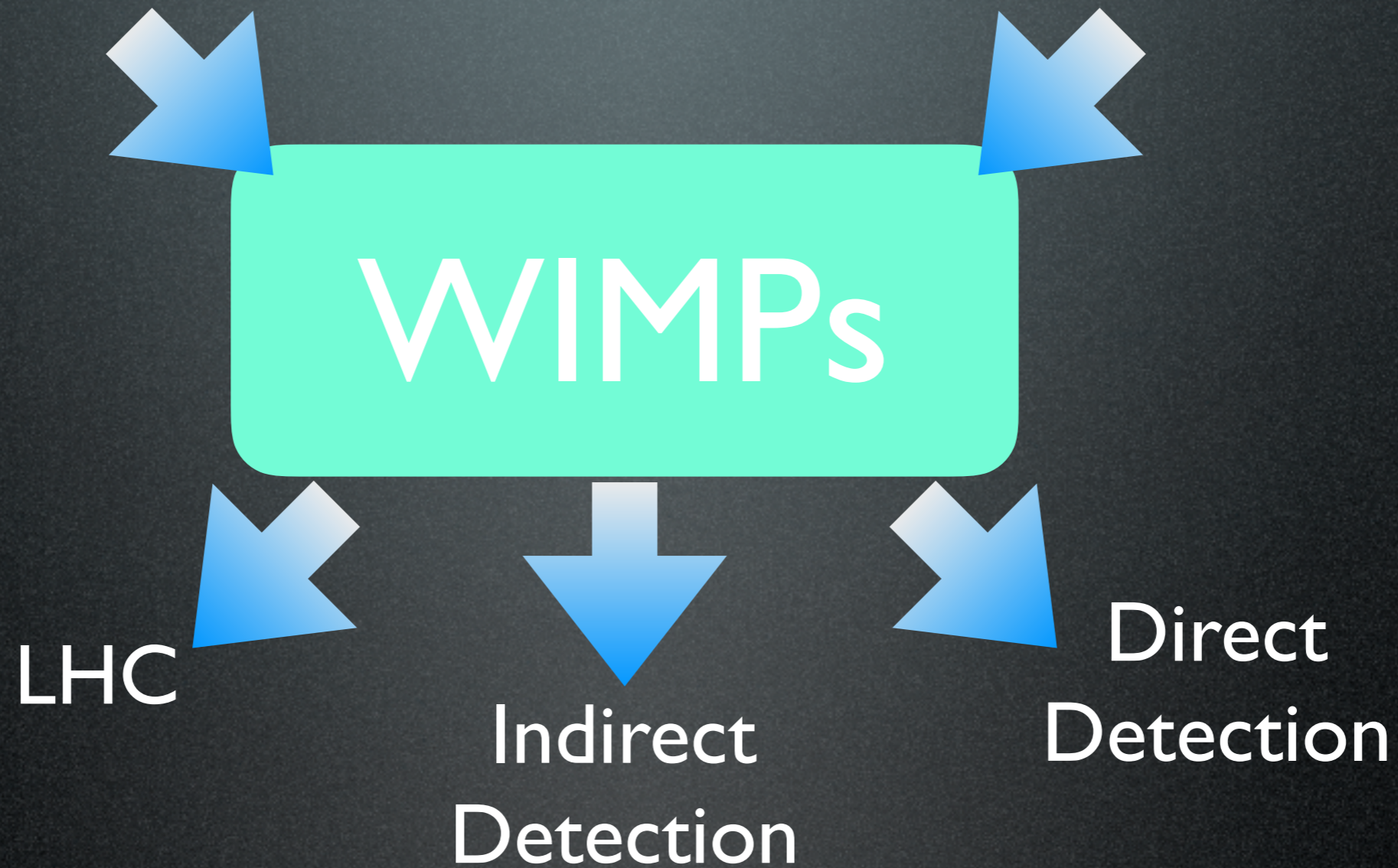
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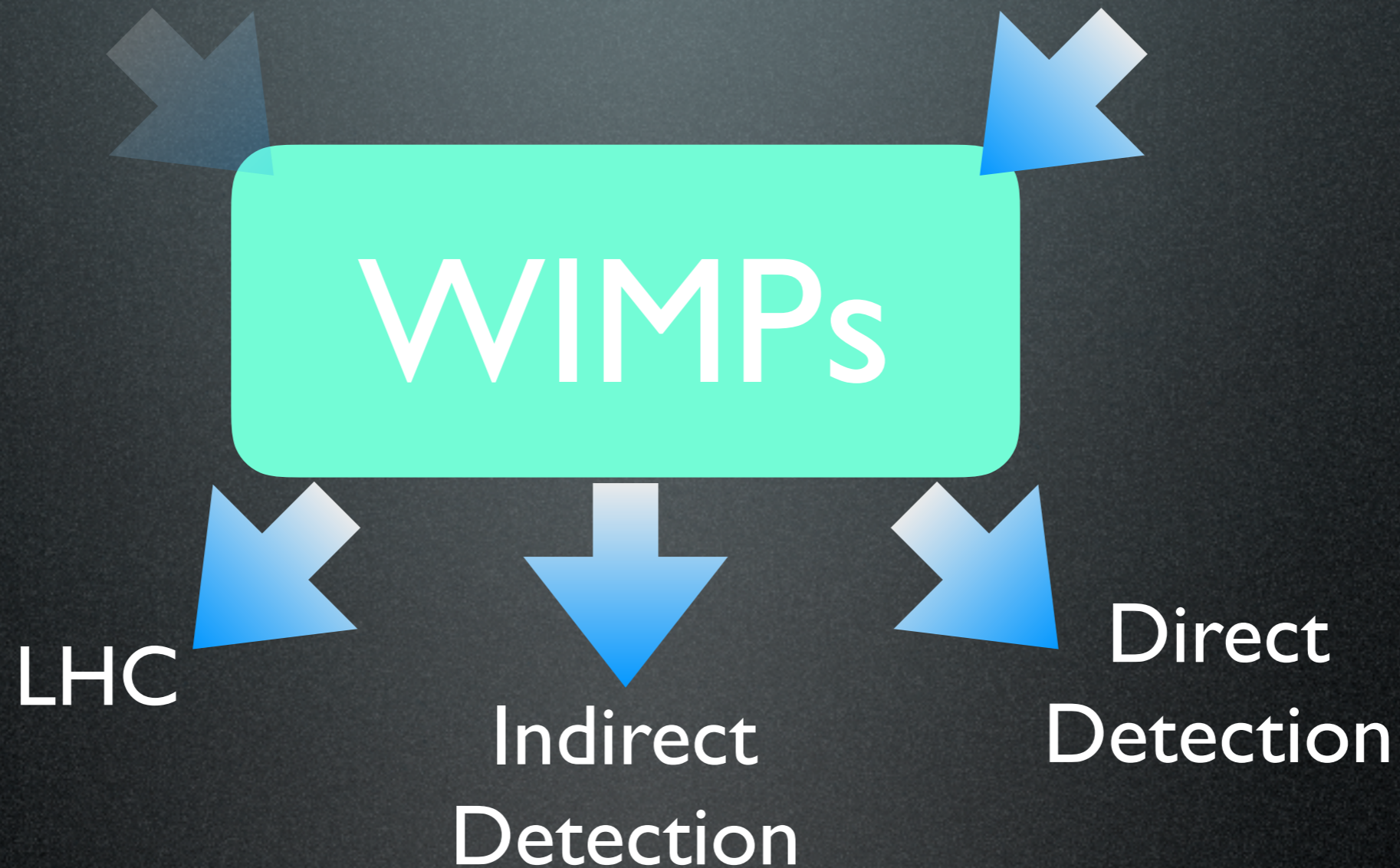


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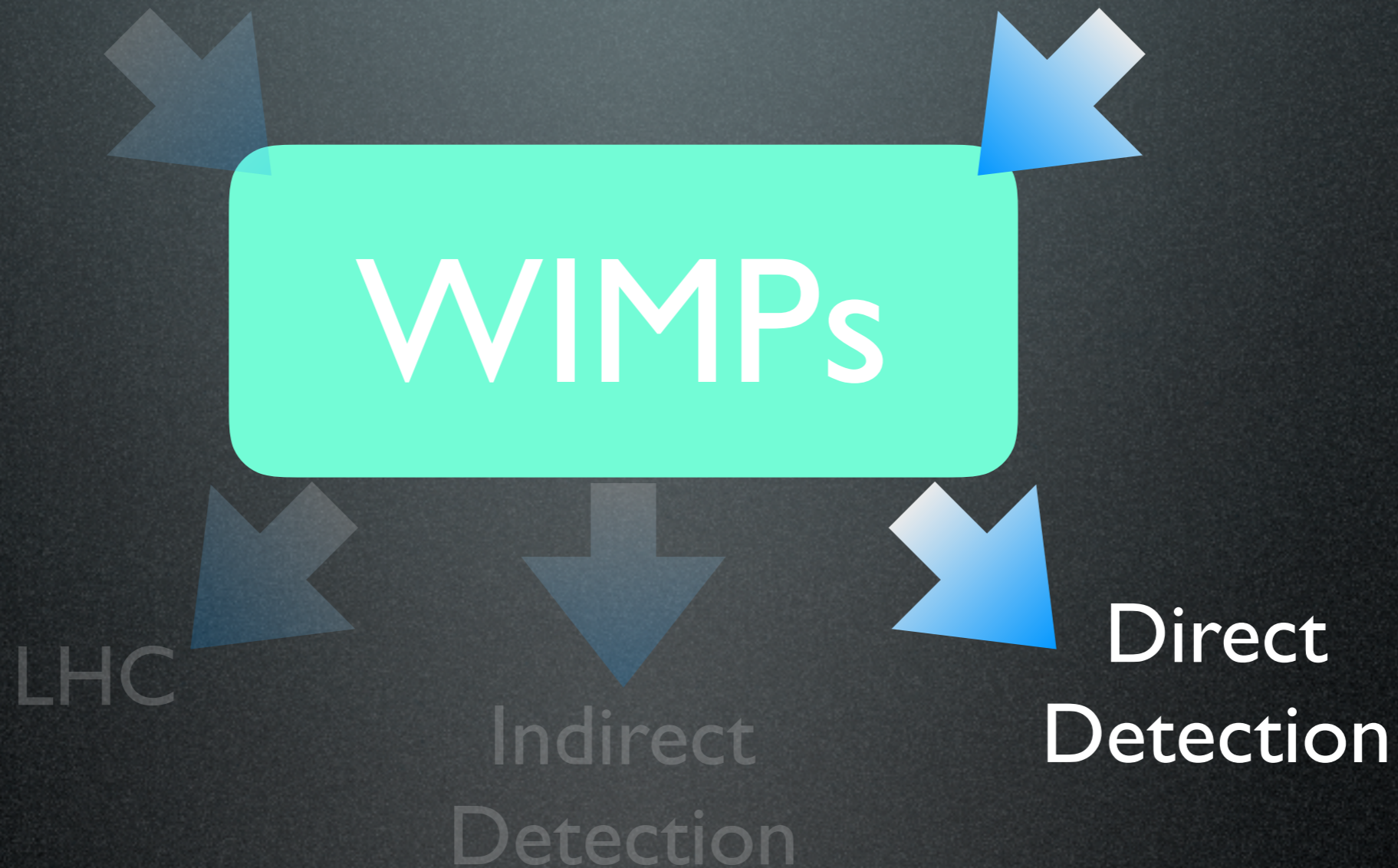
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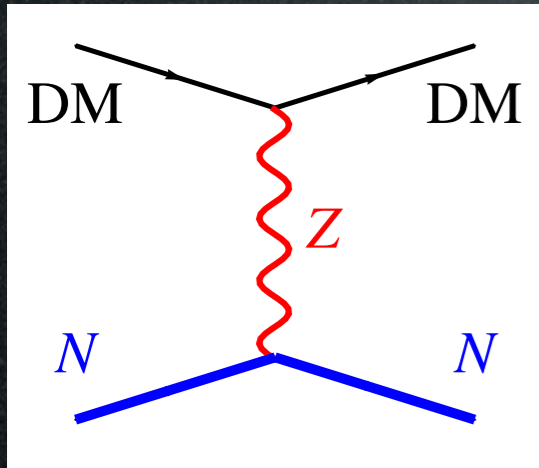


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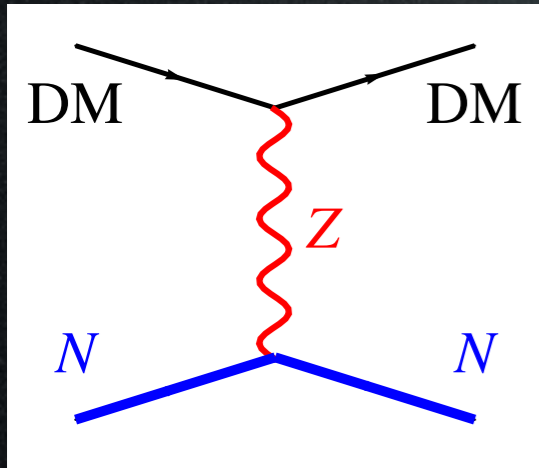


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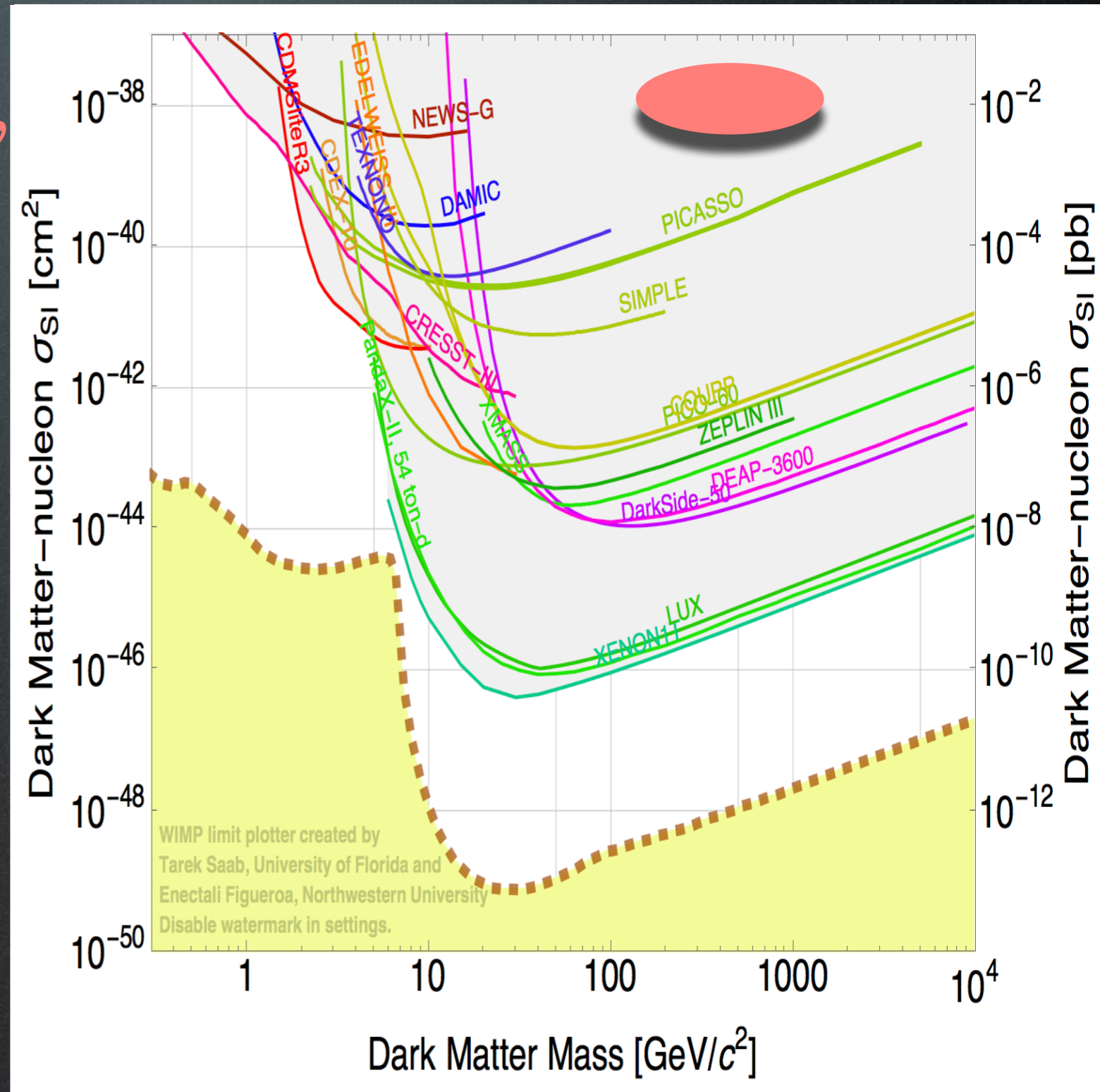
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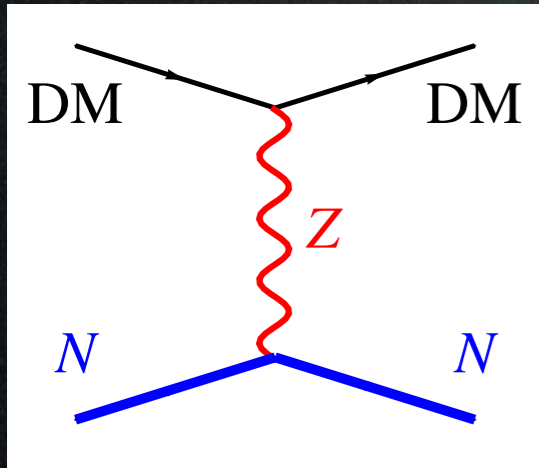


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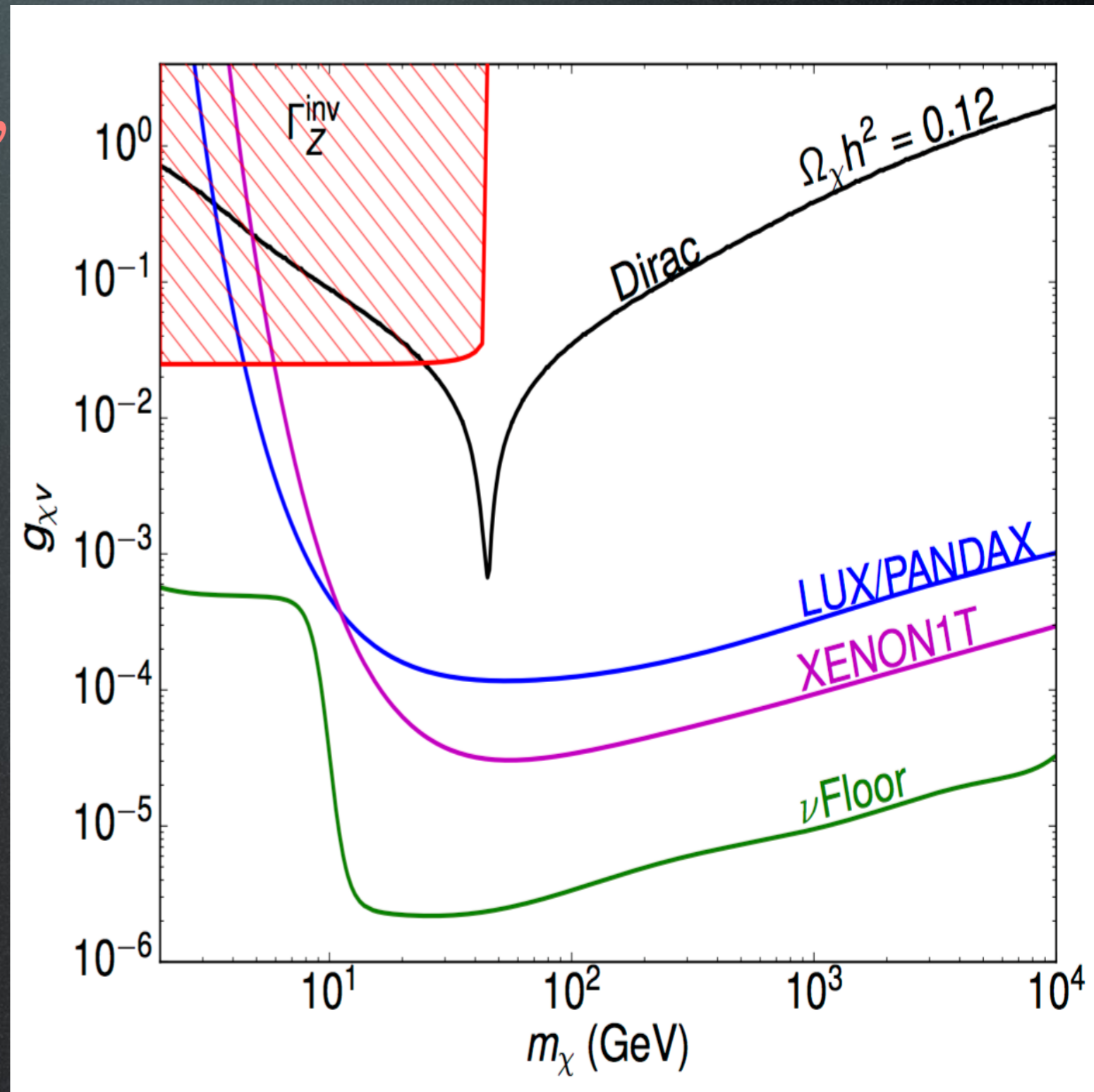


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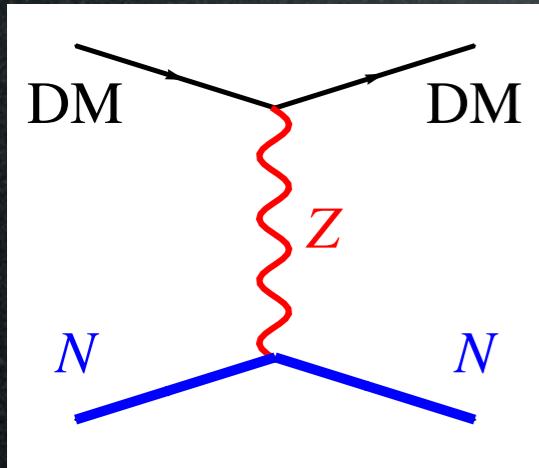


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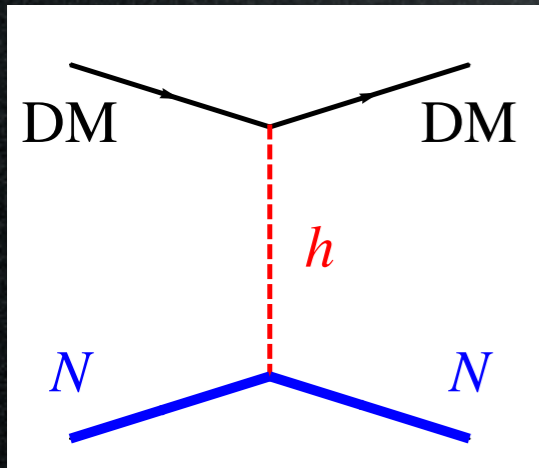
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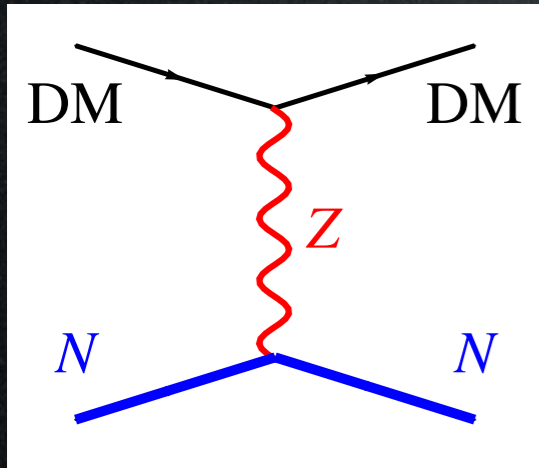


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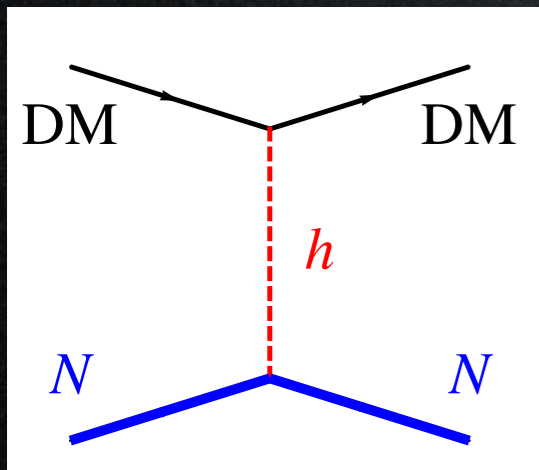
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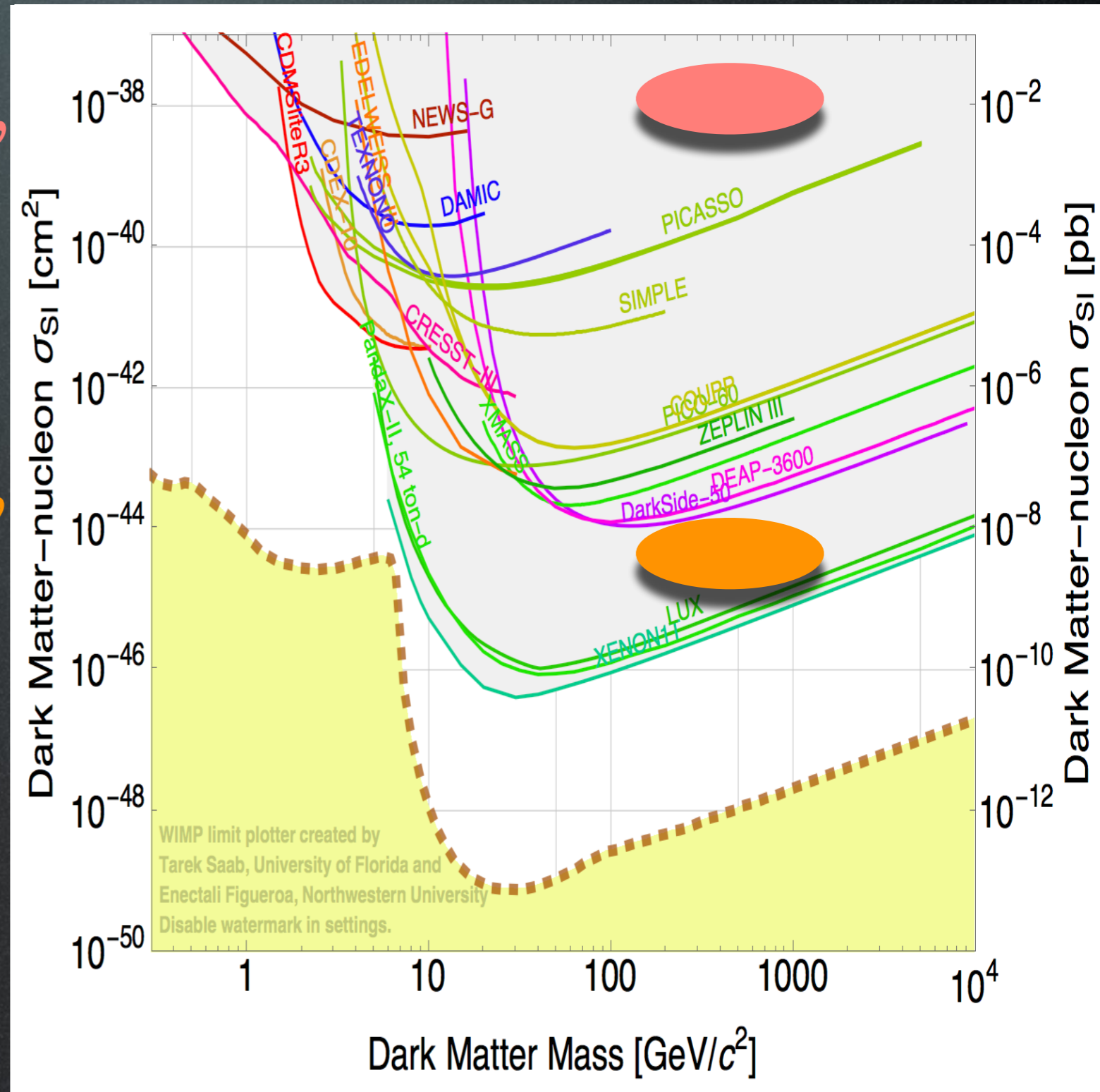
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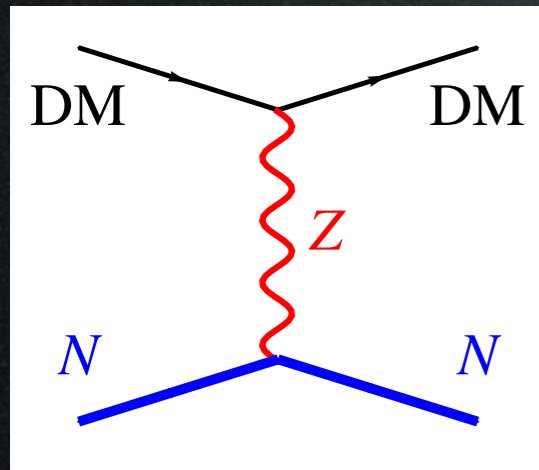


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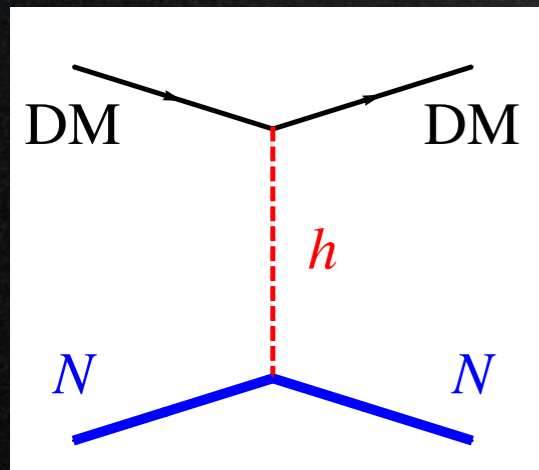


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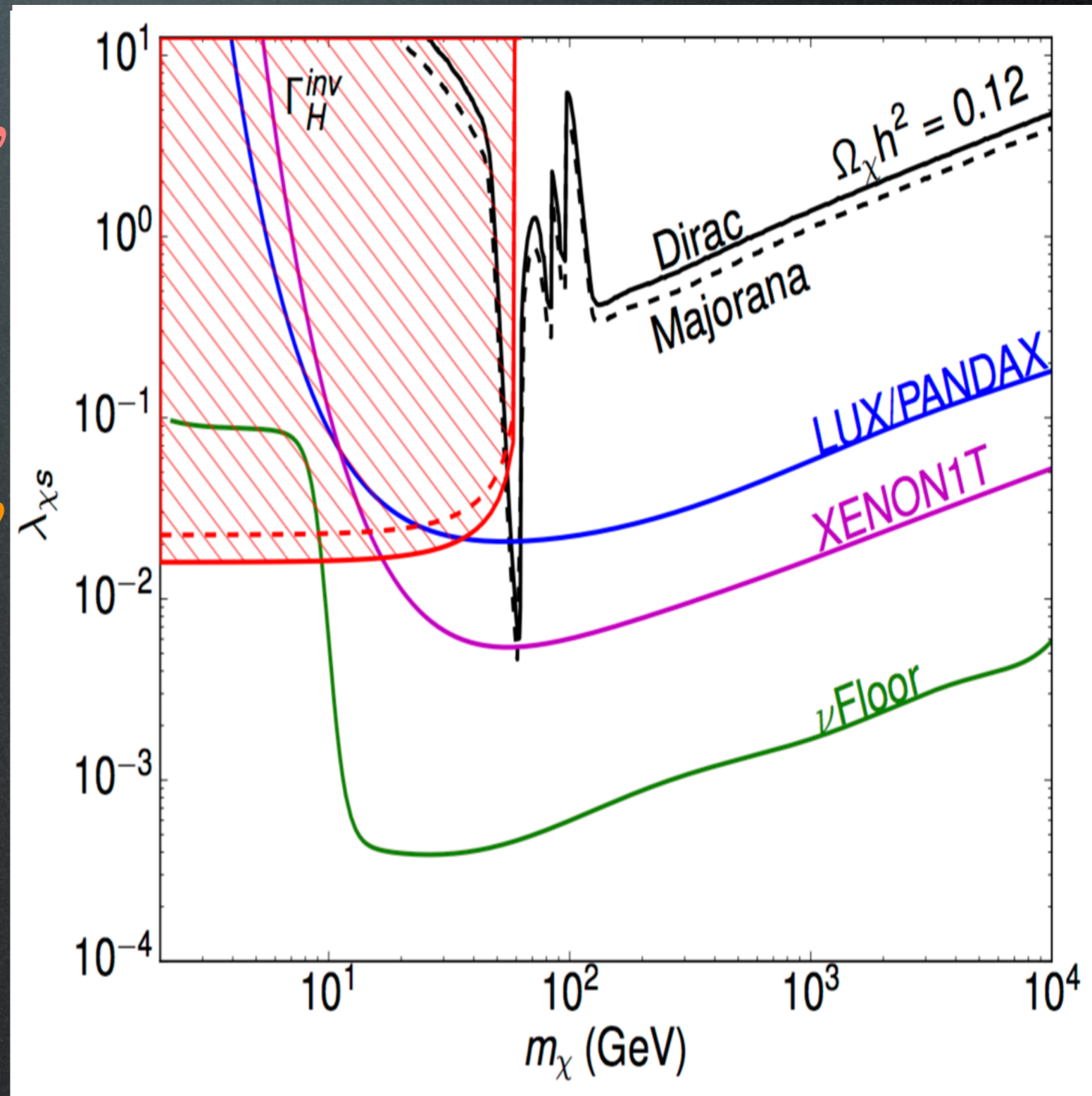
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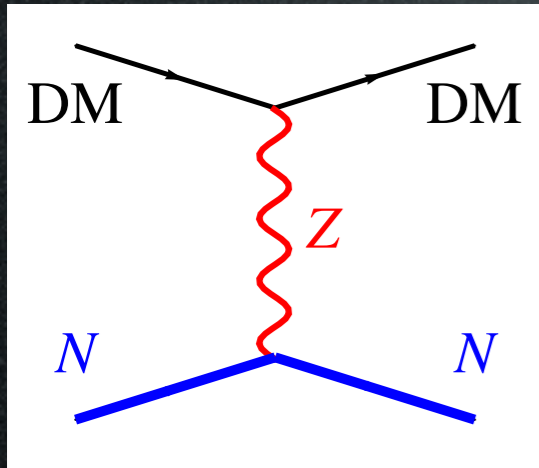


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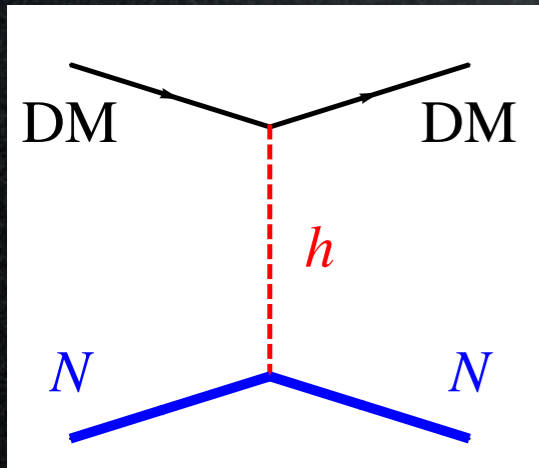
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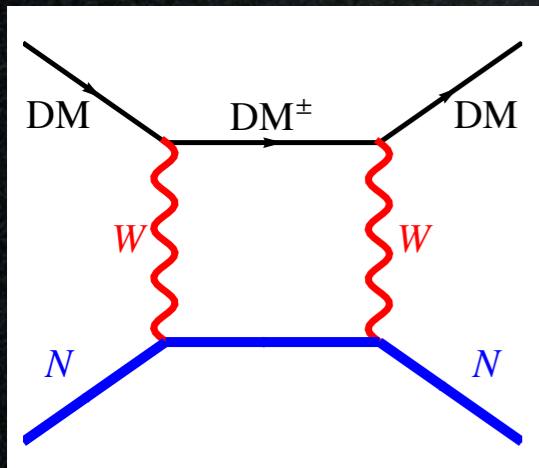
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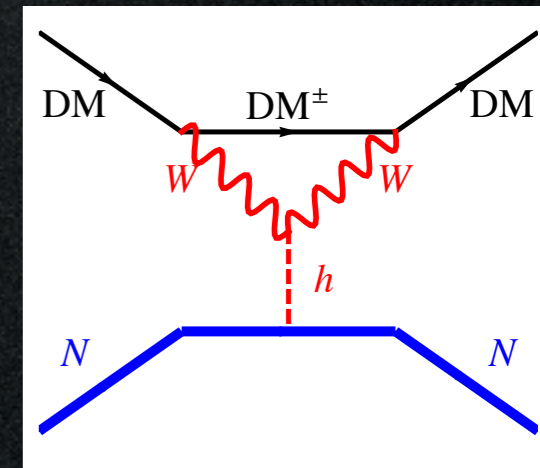
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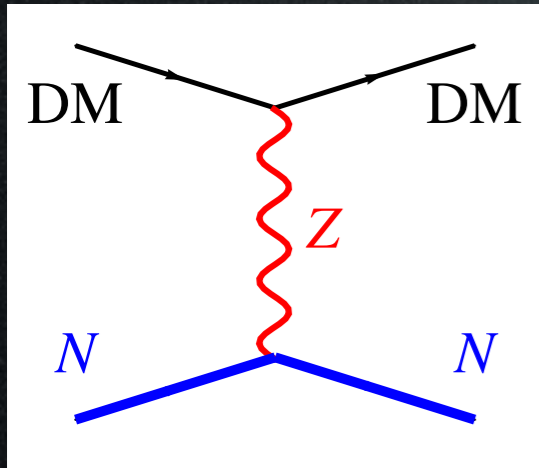
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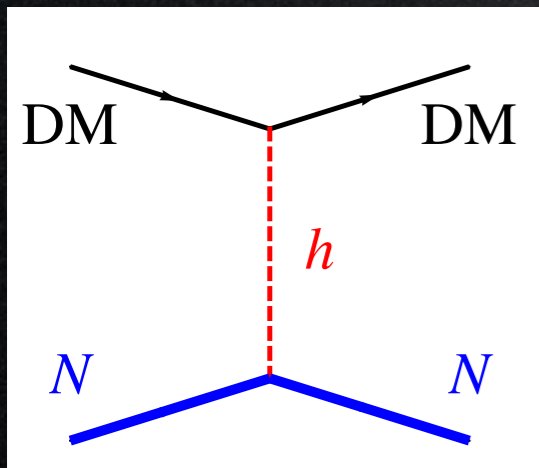


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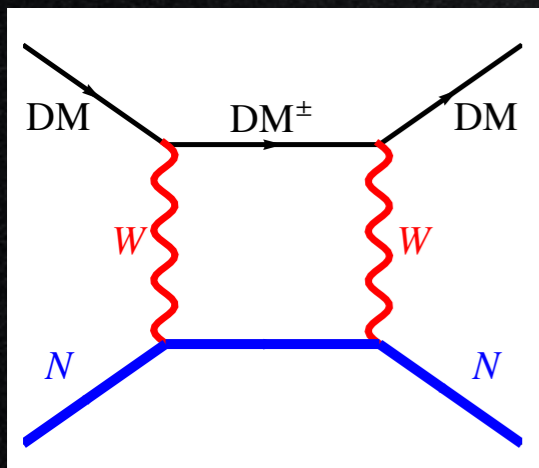
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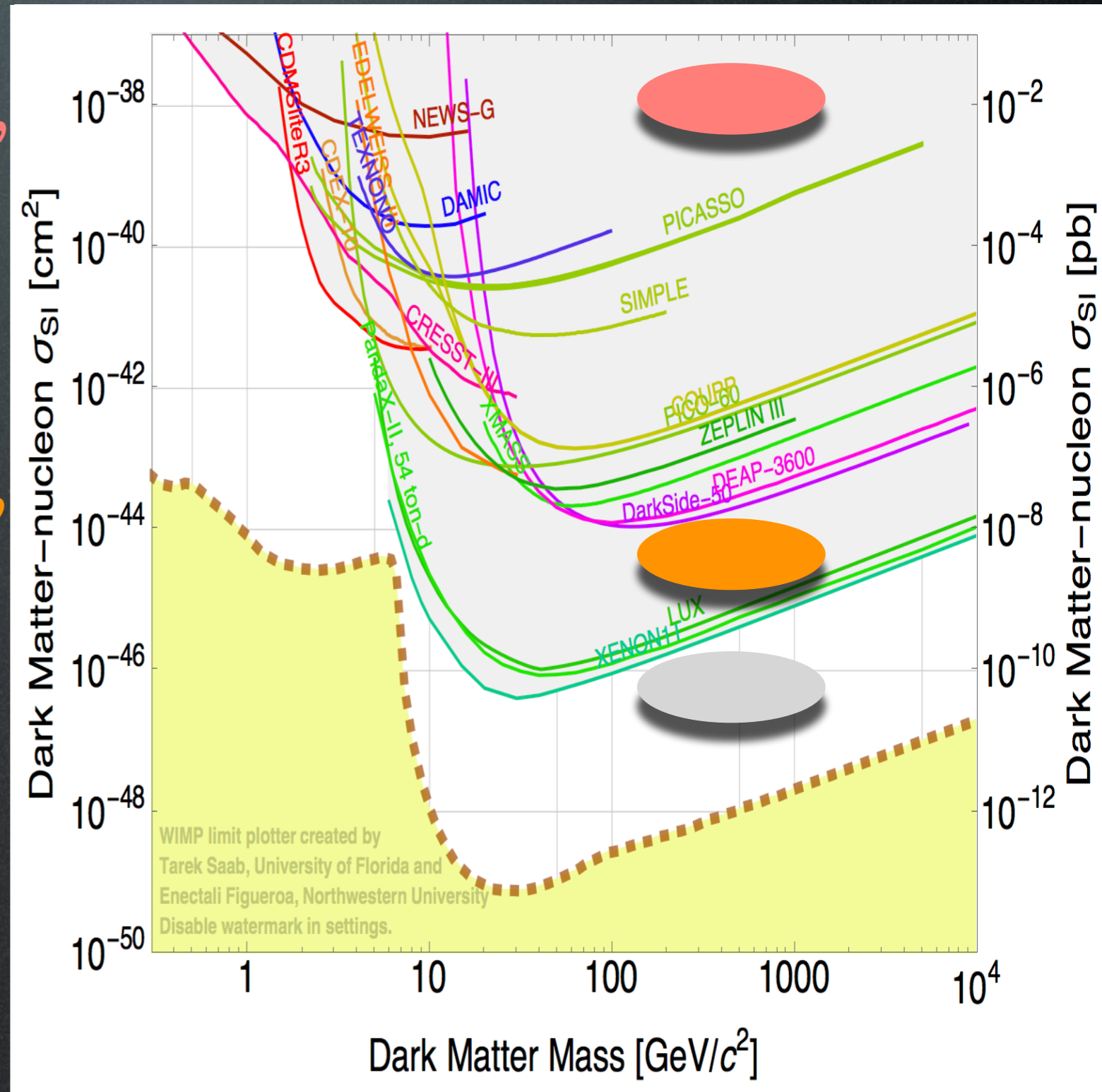
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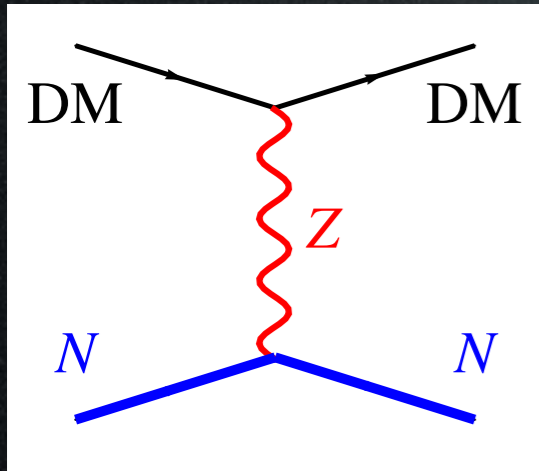


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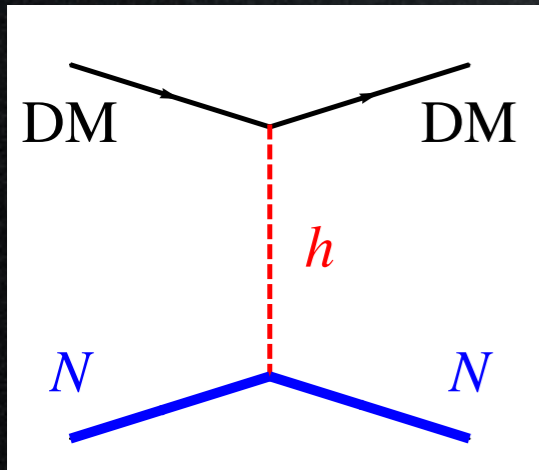


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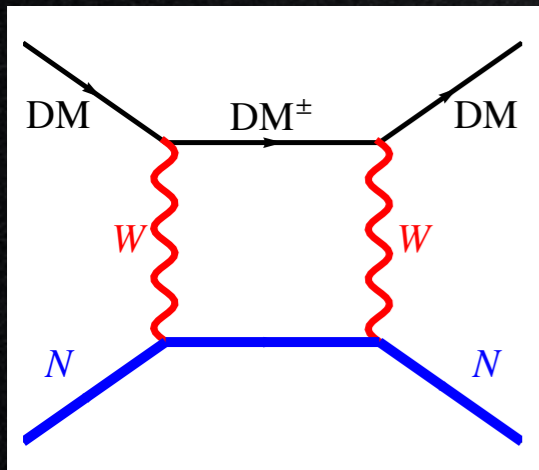
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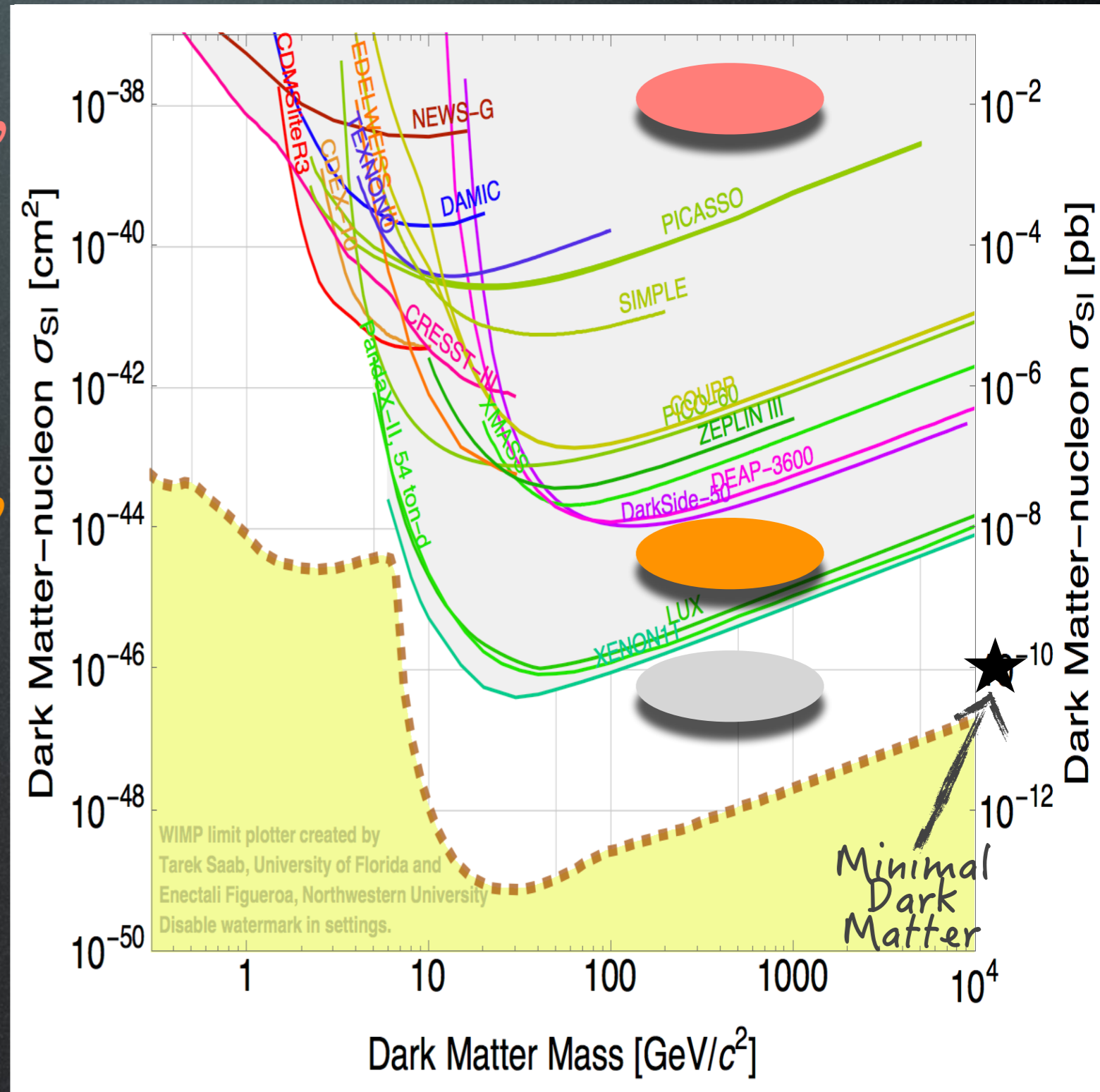
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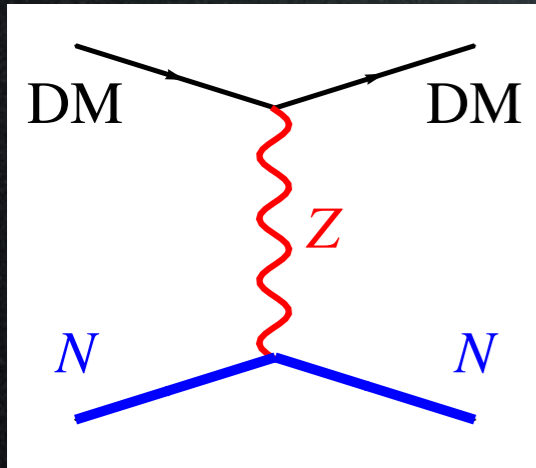
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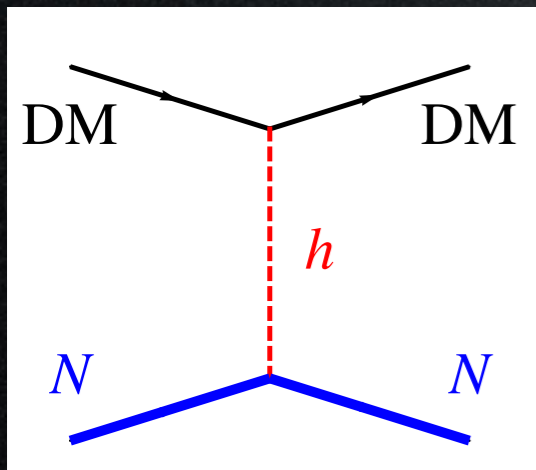
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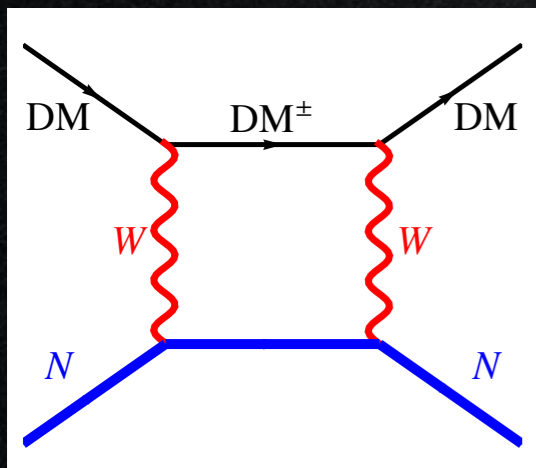
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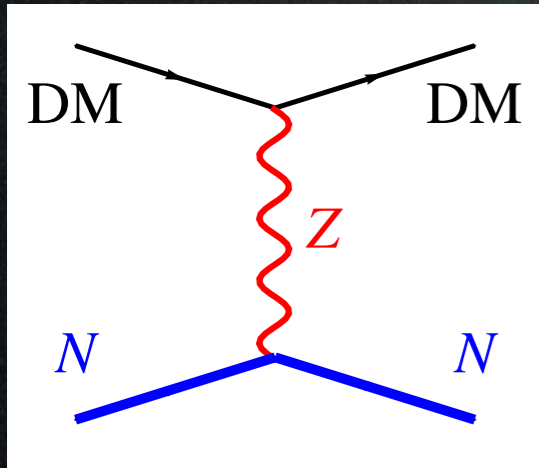
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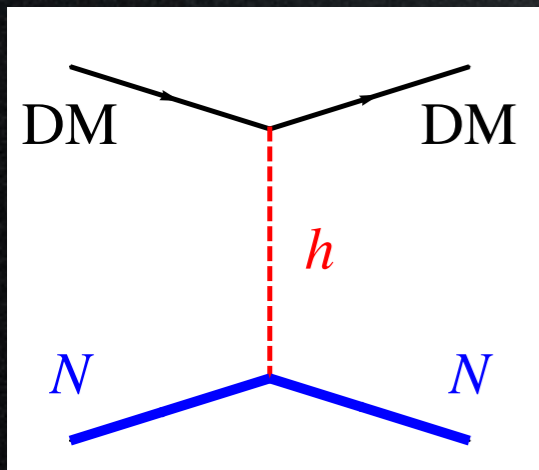
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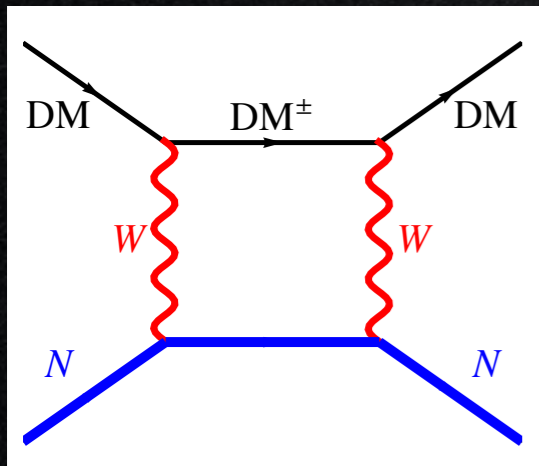
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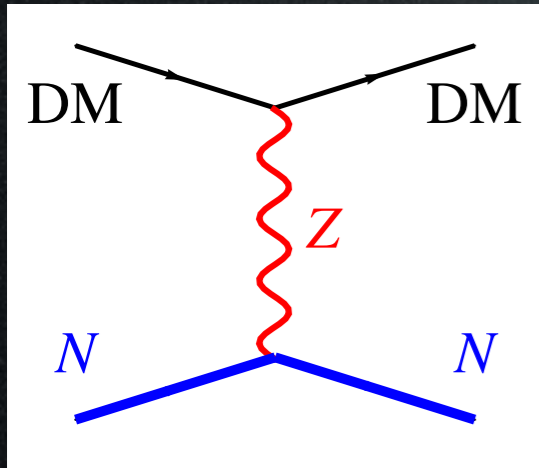
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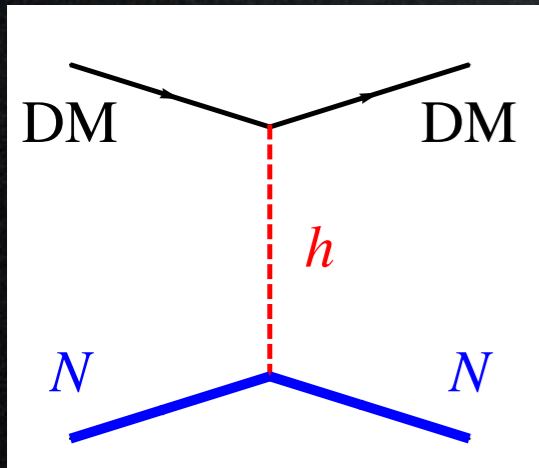
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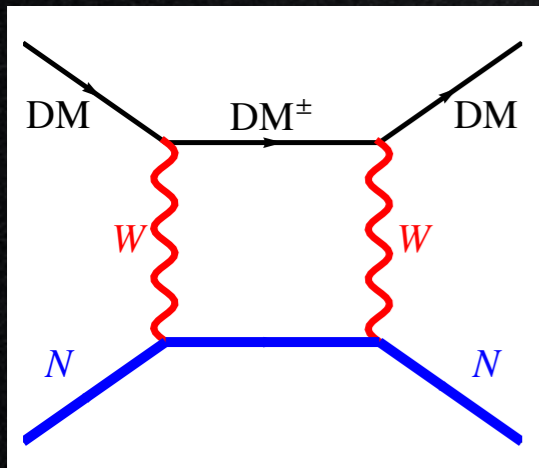
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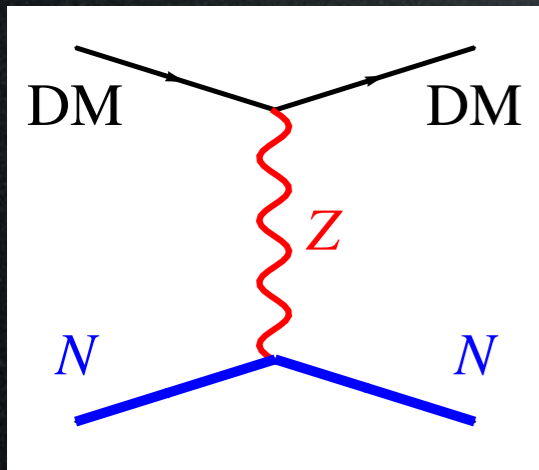
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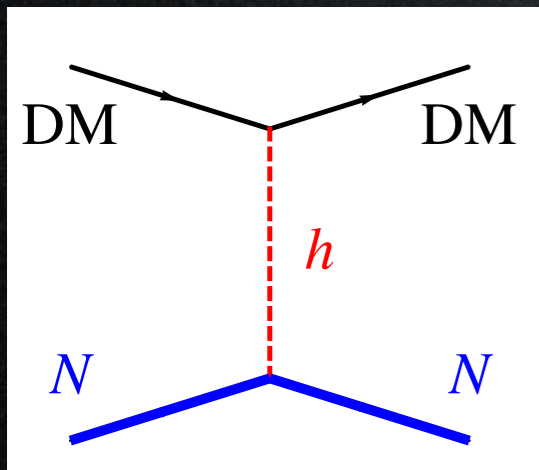
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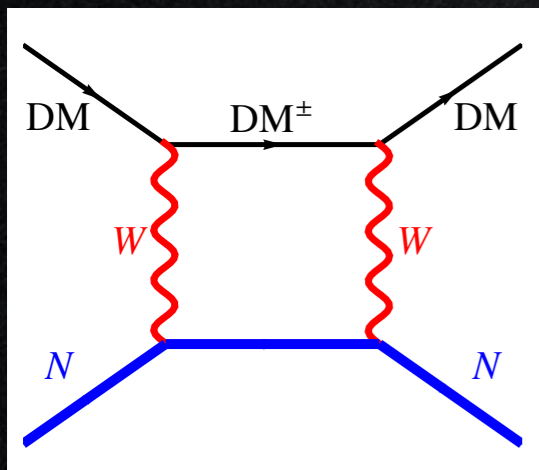
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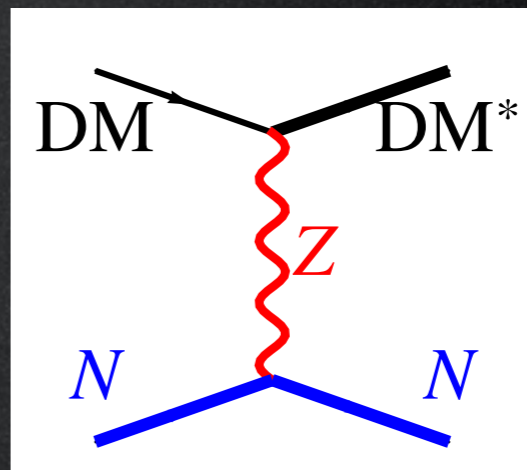
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WIMPs

LHC

AMS, Fermi, CTA  
Antares, Icecube

Direct  
Detection

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2. the three search strategies are **complementary**

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transferring or co-genesis

cfr J. March-Russell

via leptogenesis

DM stores the anti-B number

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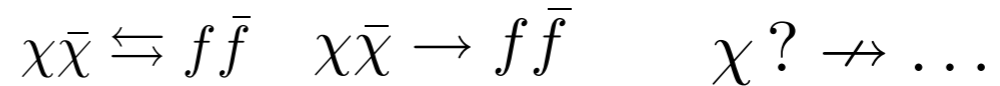
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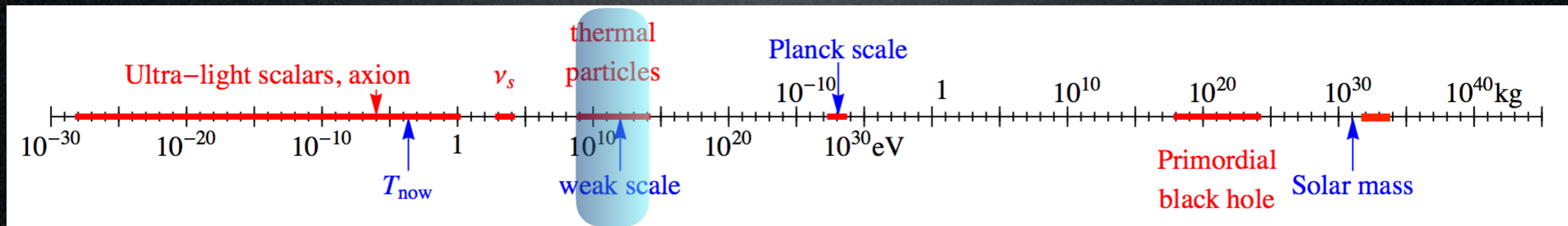


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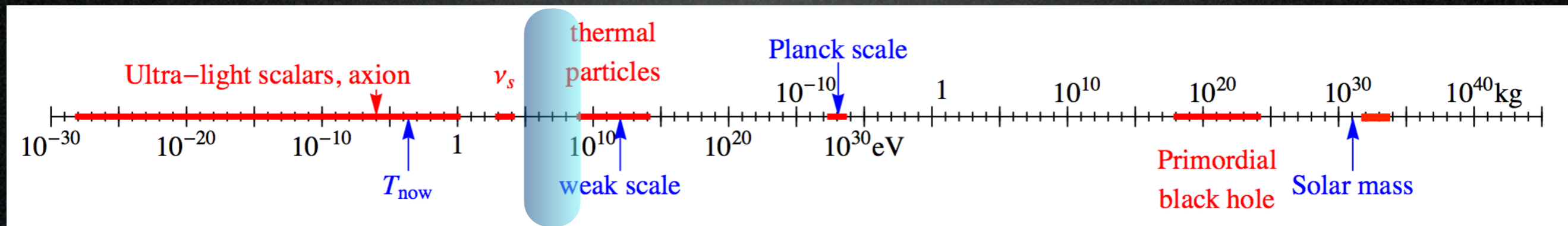


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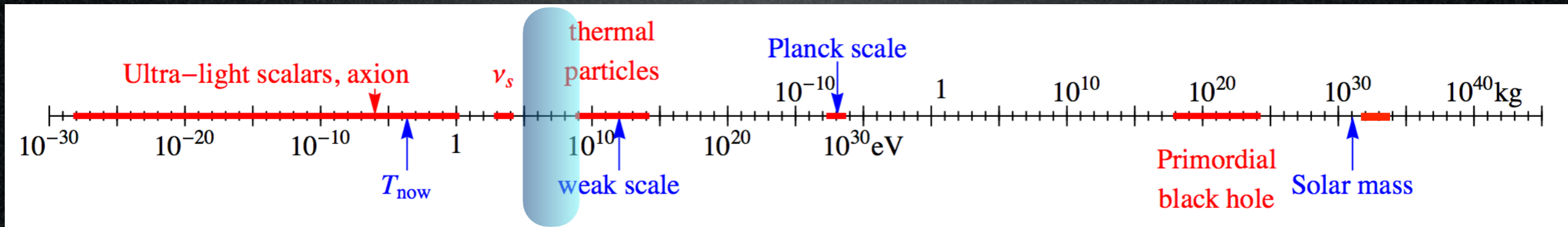
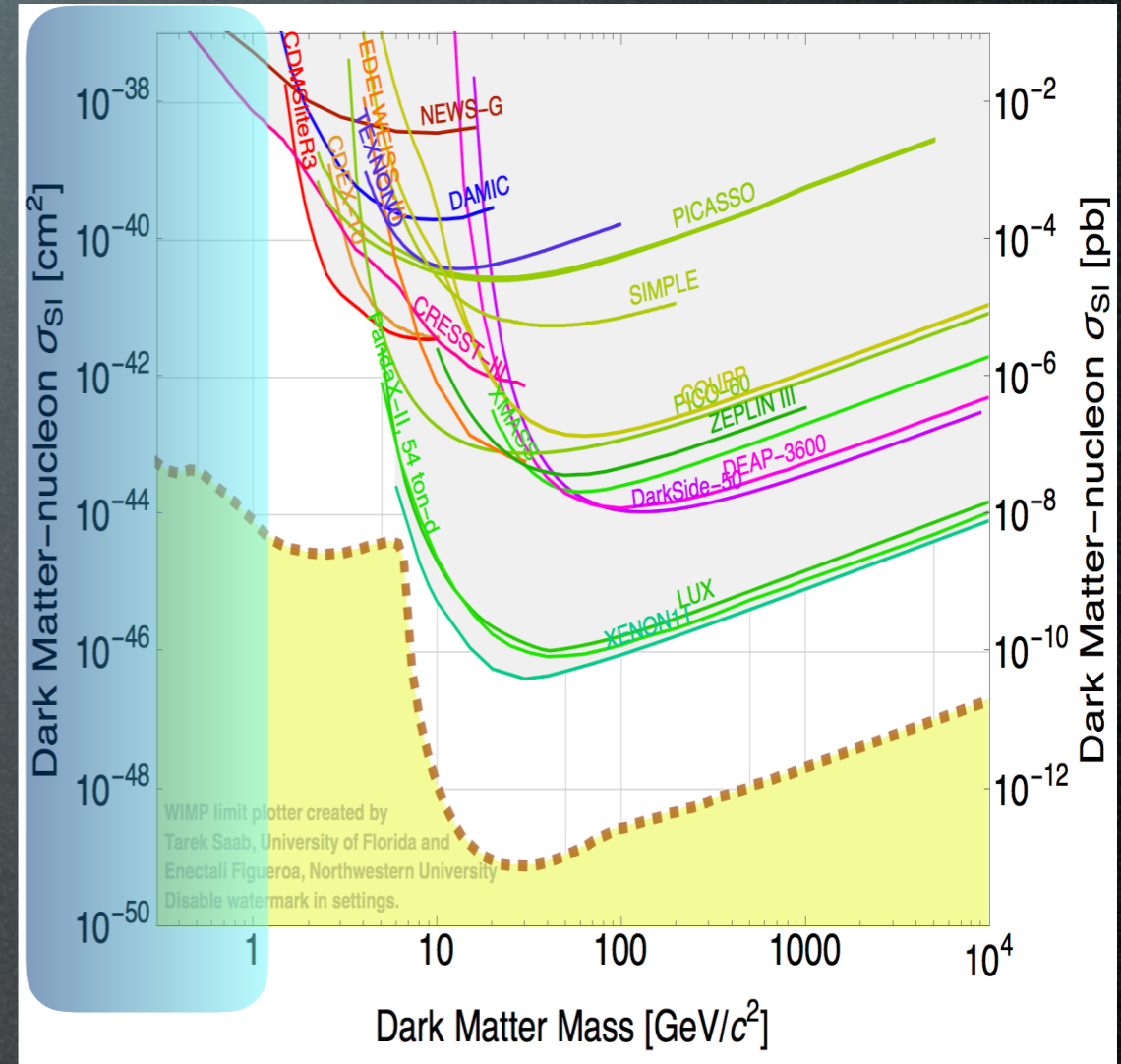


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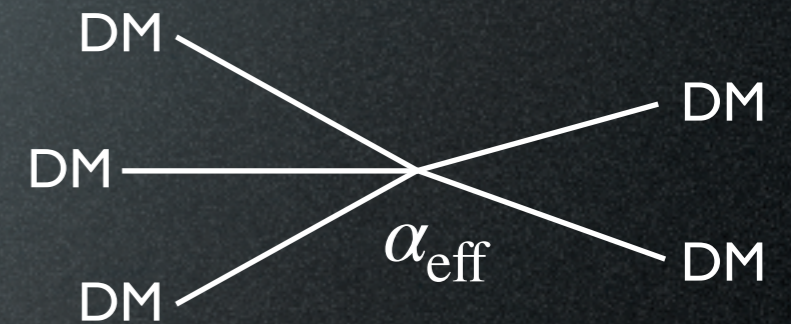
scalar DM with relic abundance set by  $3 \rightarrow 2$  processes

points to

$$m_{\text{DM}} \sim \alpha_{\text{eff}} (T_{\text{eq}}^2 M_{\text{Pl}})^{1/3} \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$$

Hochberg et al 1402.5143

‘naturally realized’ in a **dark-QCD-like** setup



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- ‘MeV (scalar) DM’ (for the Integral 511 KeV excess?)

Boehm & Fayet [hep-ph/0305261](#)

In conclusion, scalar Dark Matter particles can be significantly lighter than a few GeV's (thus evading the generalisation of the Lee-Weinberg limit for weakly-interacting neutral fermions) if they are coupled to a new (light) gauge boson or to new heavy fermions  $F$  (through non chiral couplings and poten-

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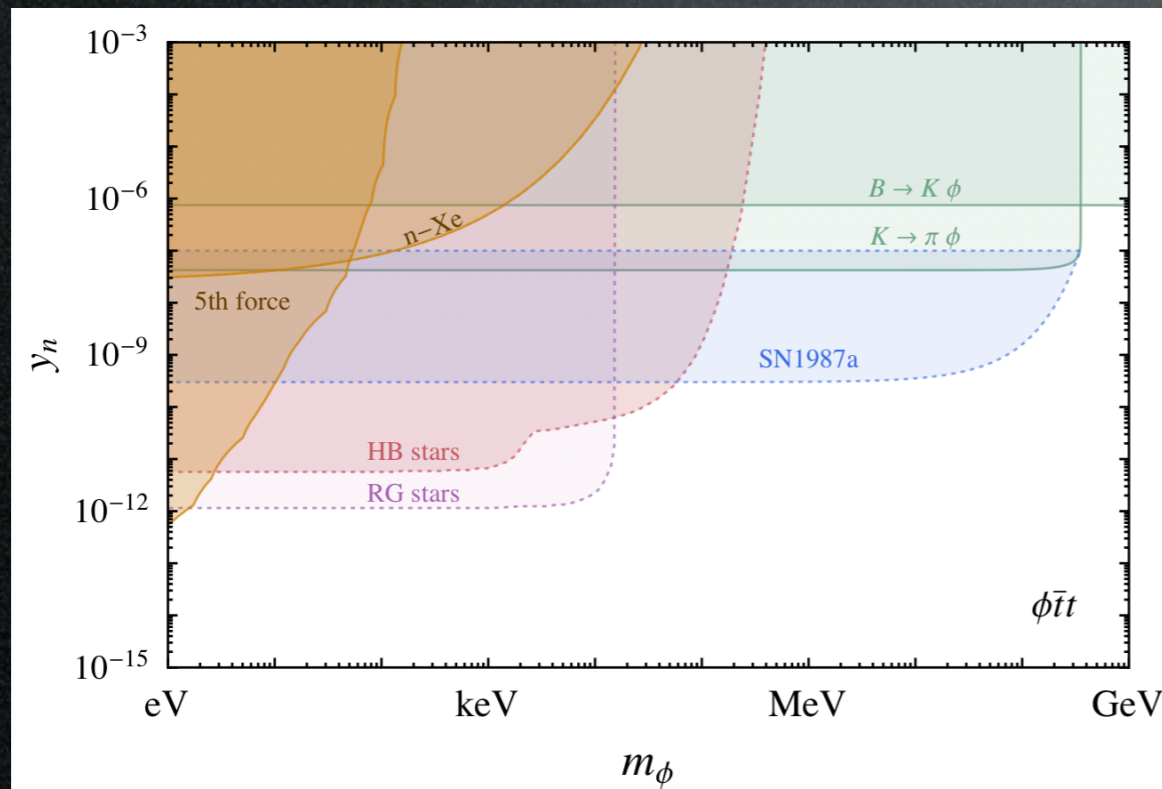
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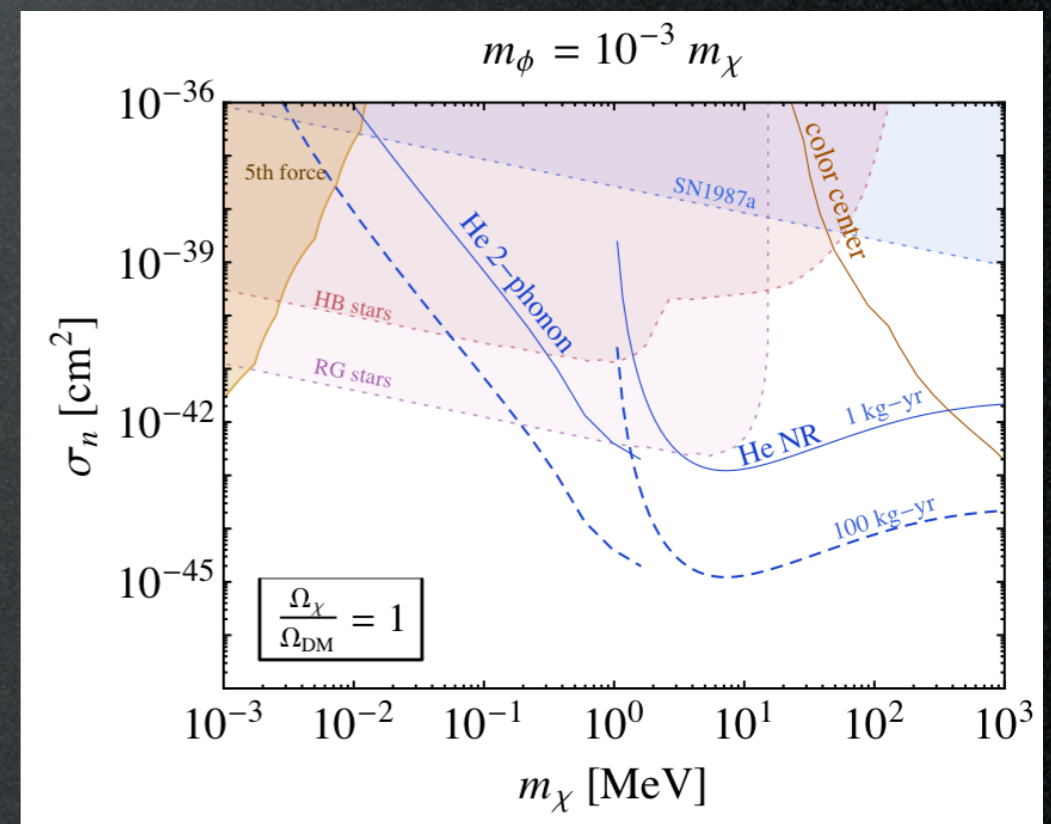
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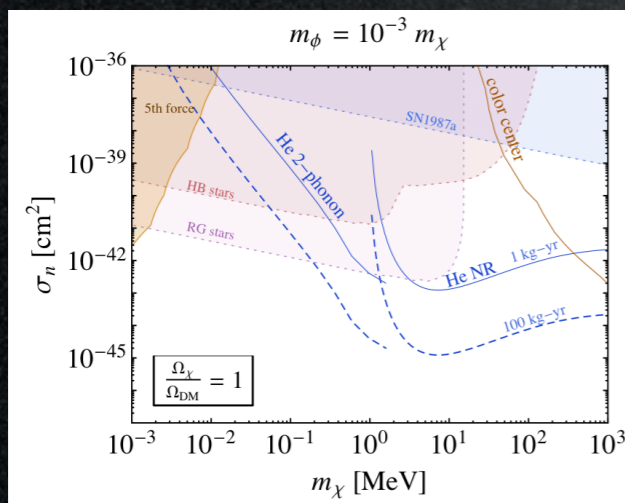
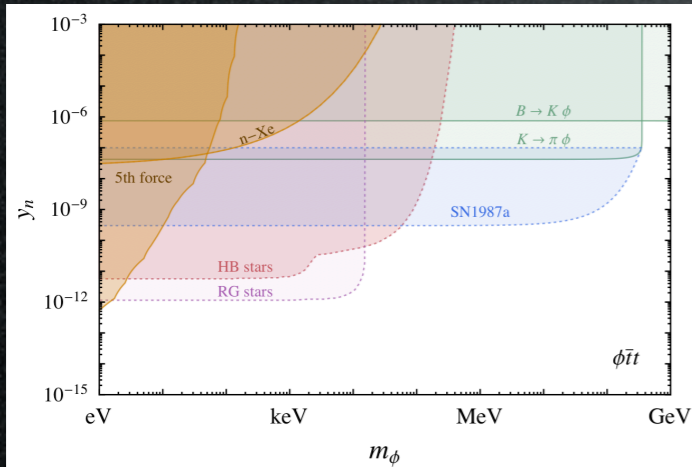
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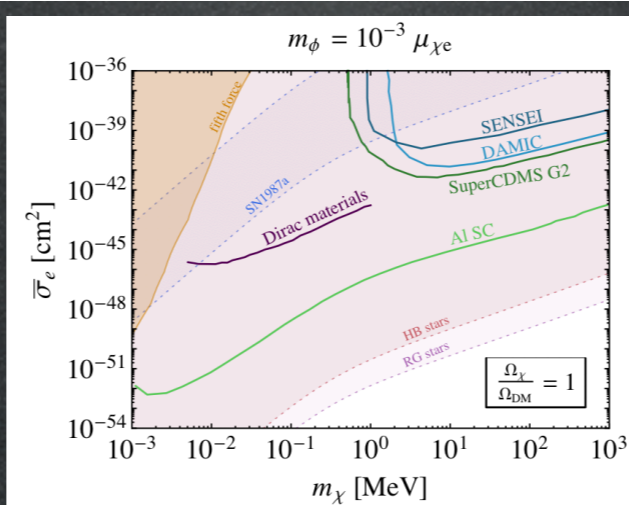
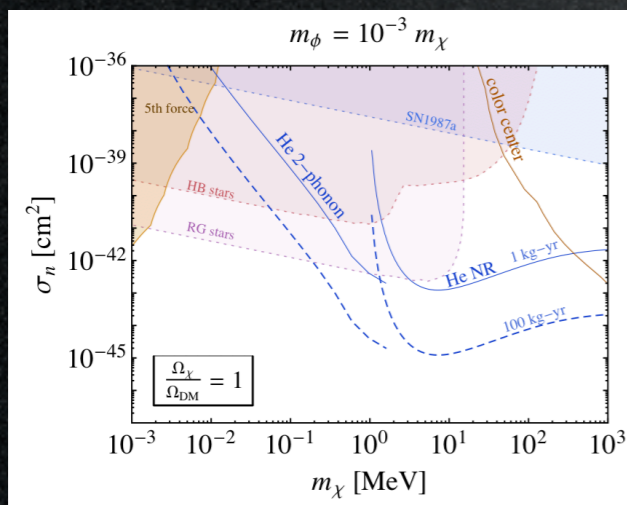
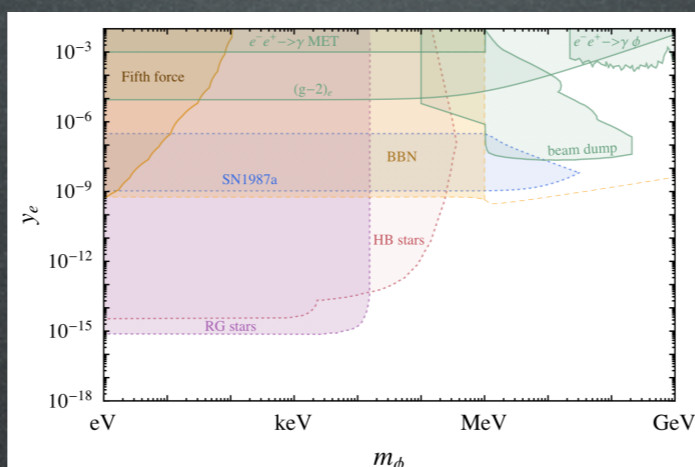
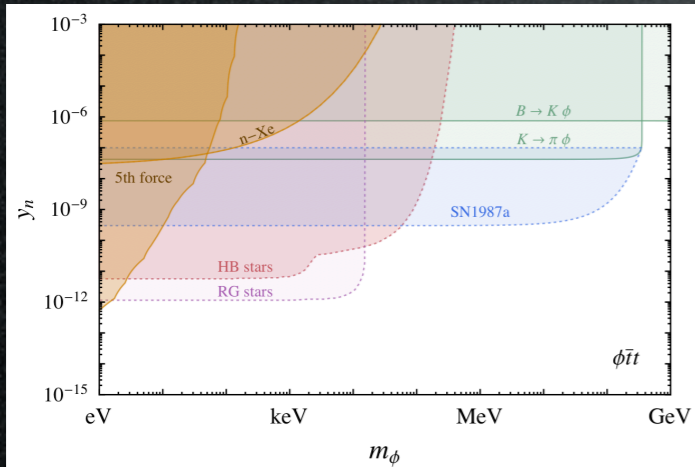
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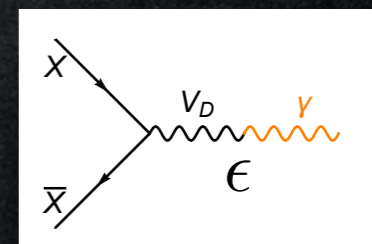
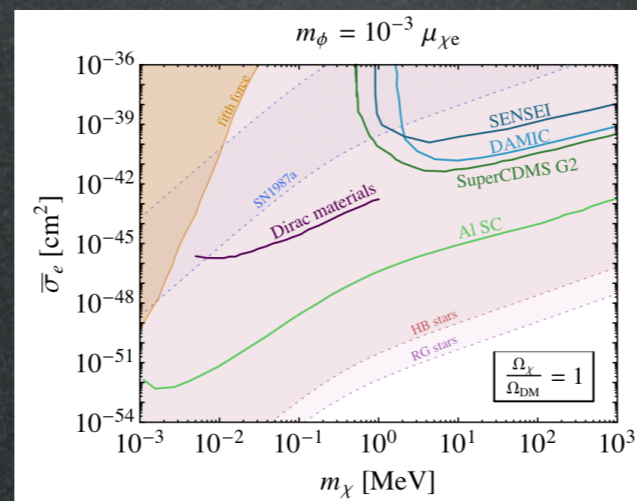
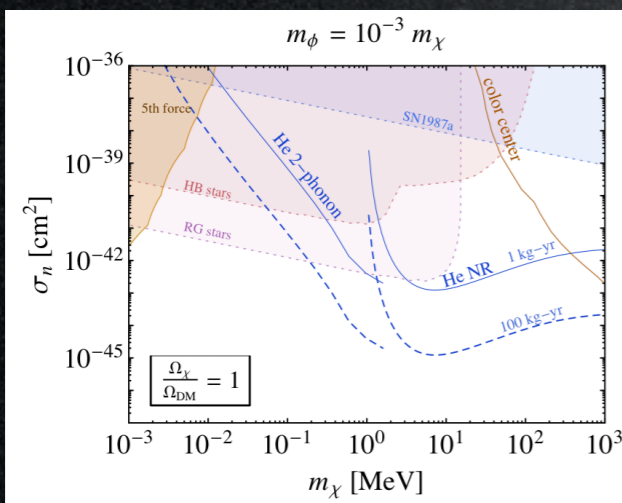
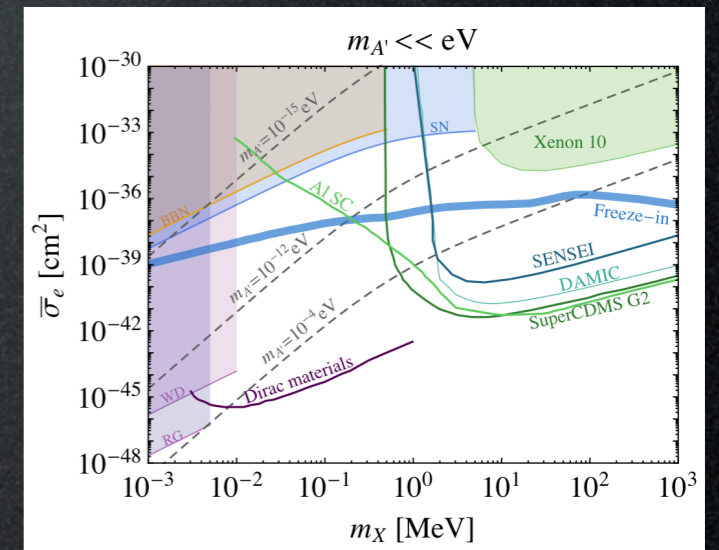
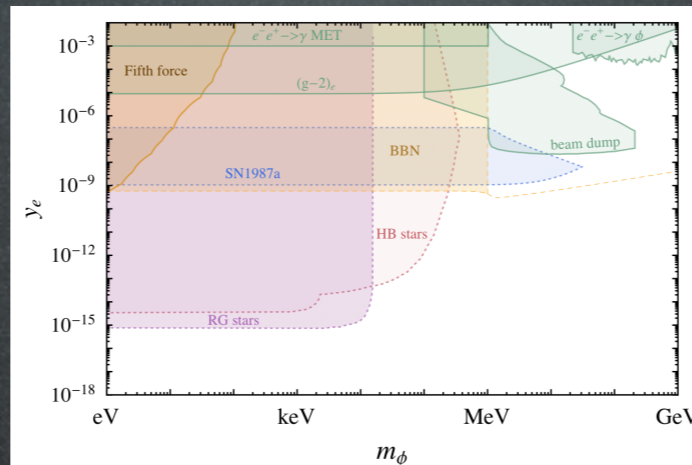
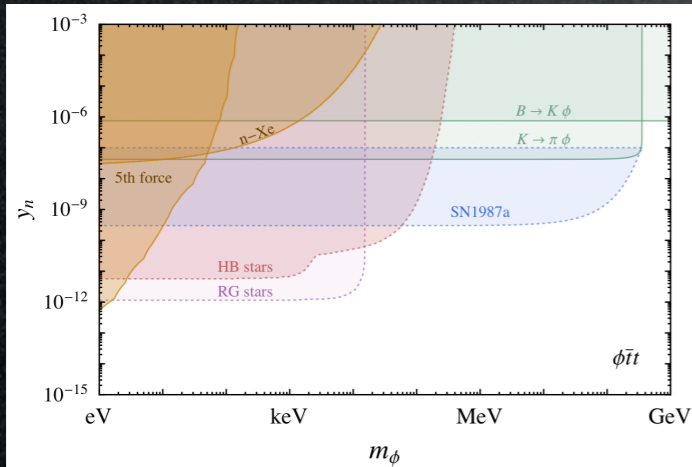
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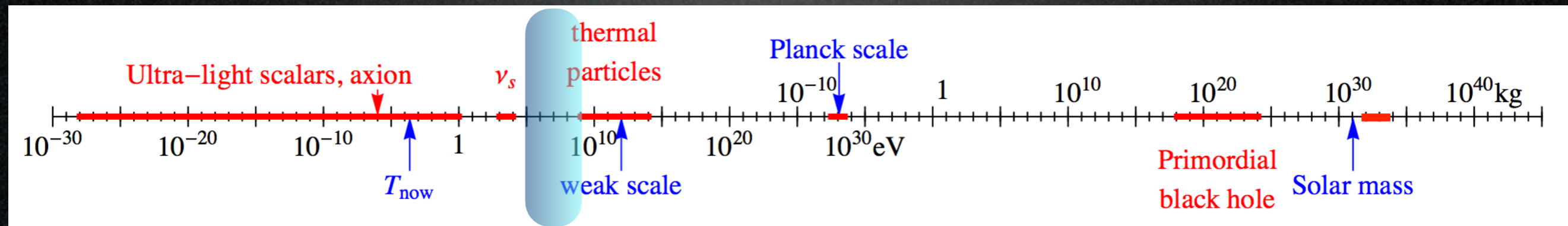
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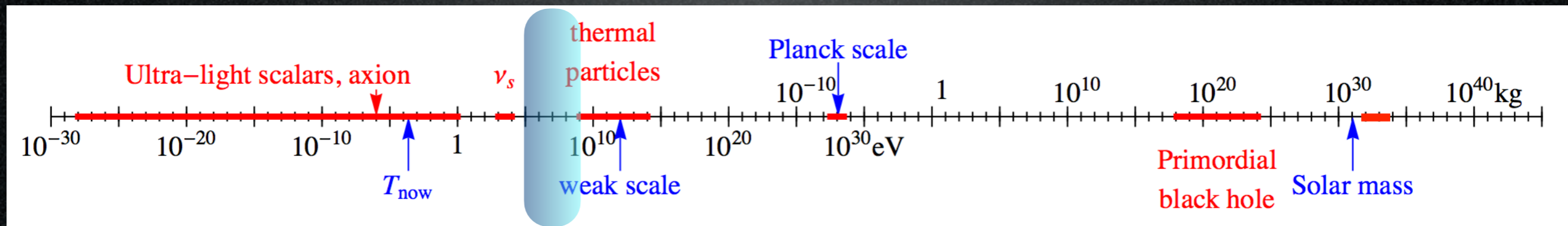
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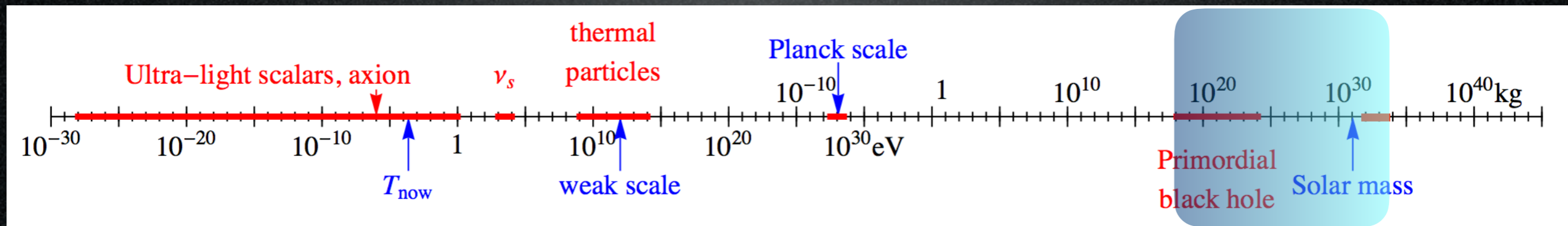
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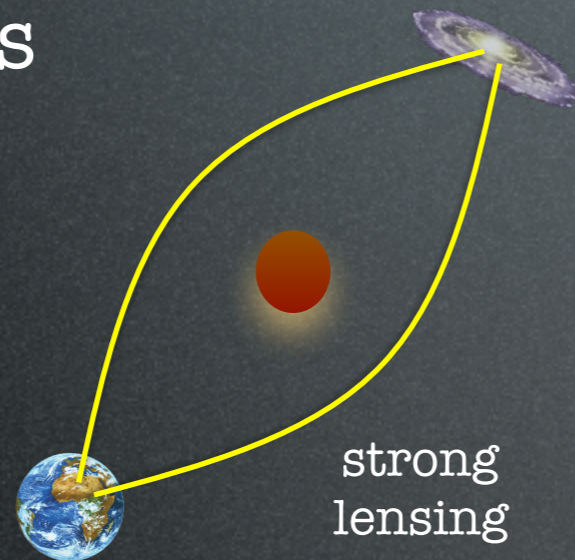
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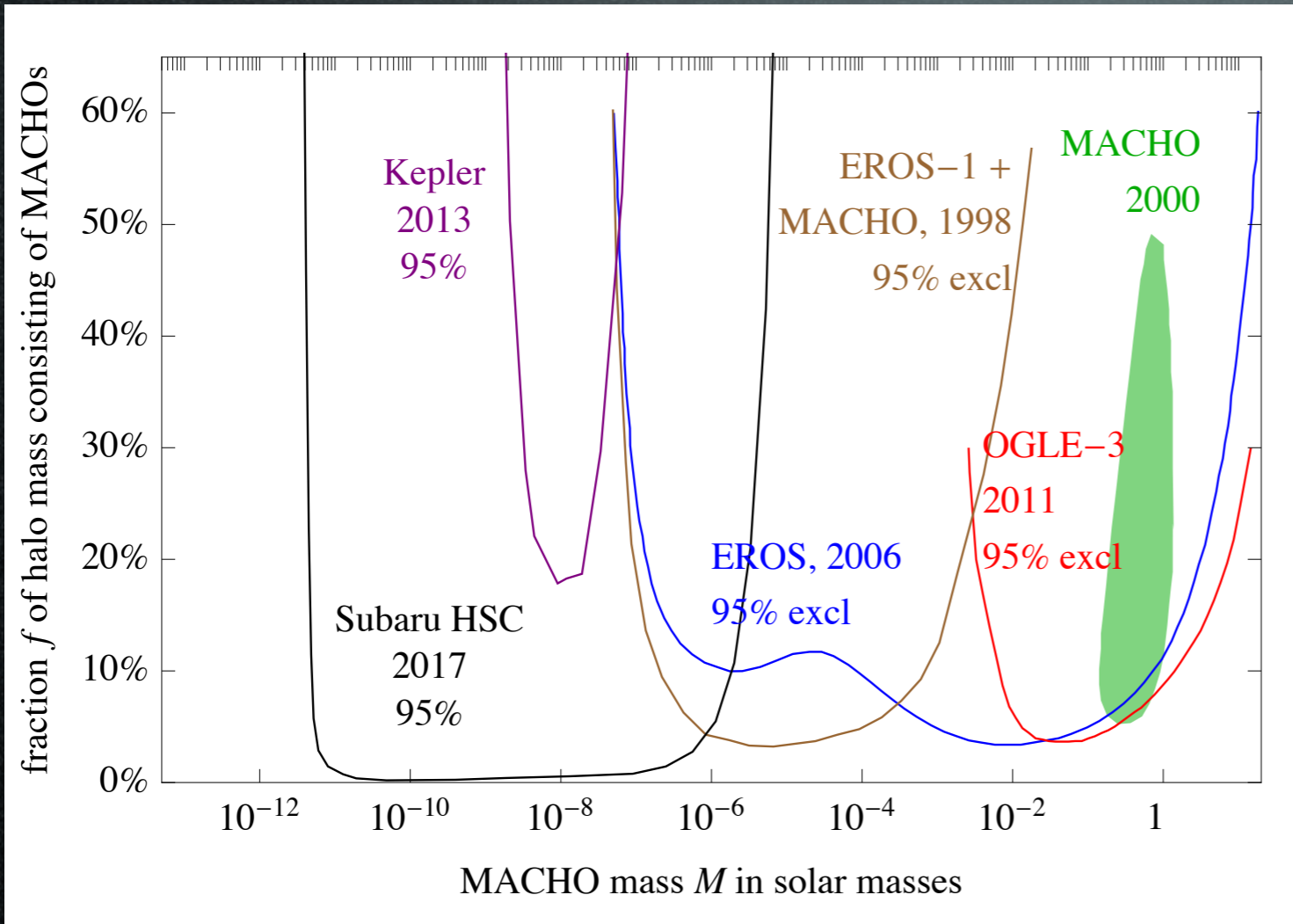
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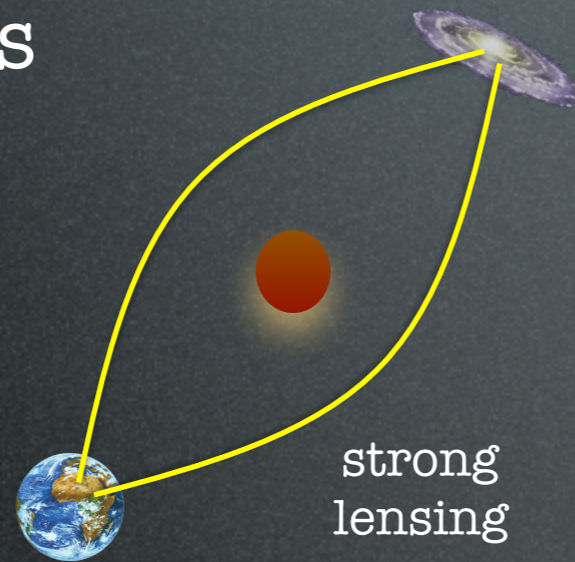
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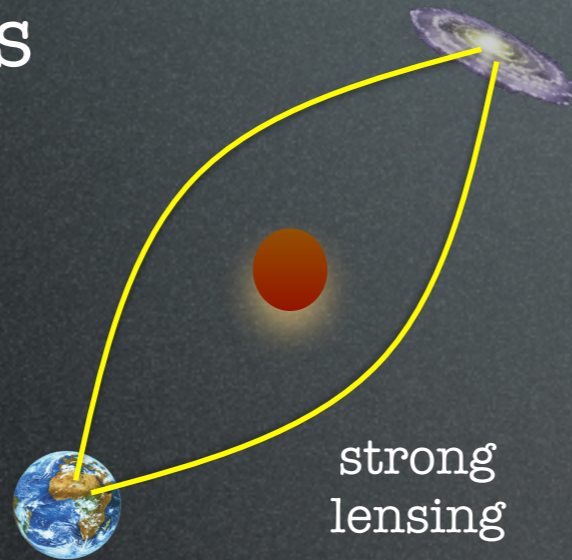
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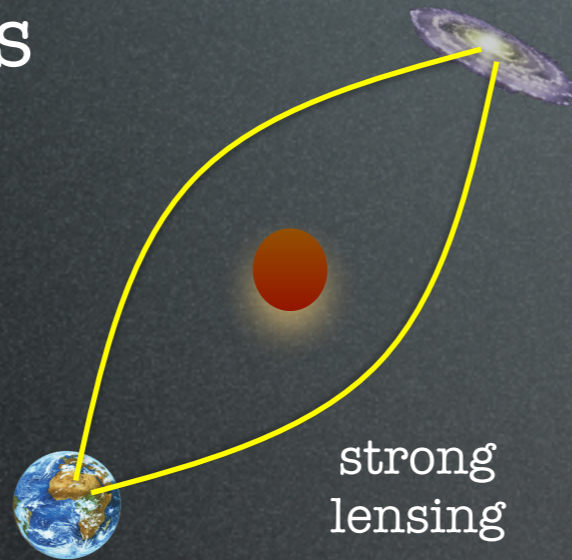
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- perhaps LIGO is seeing them?

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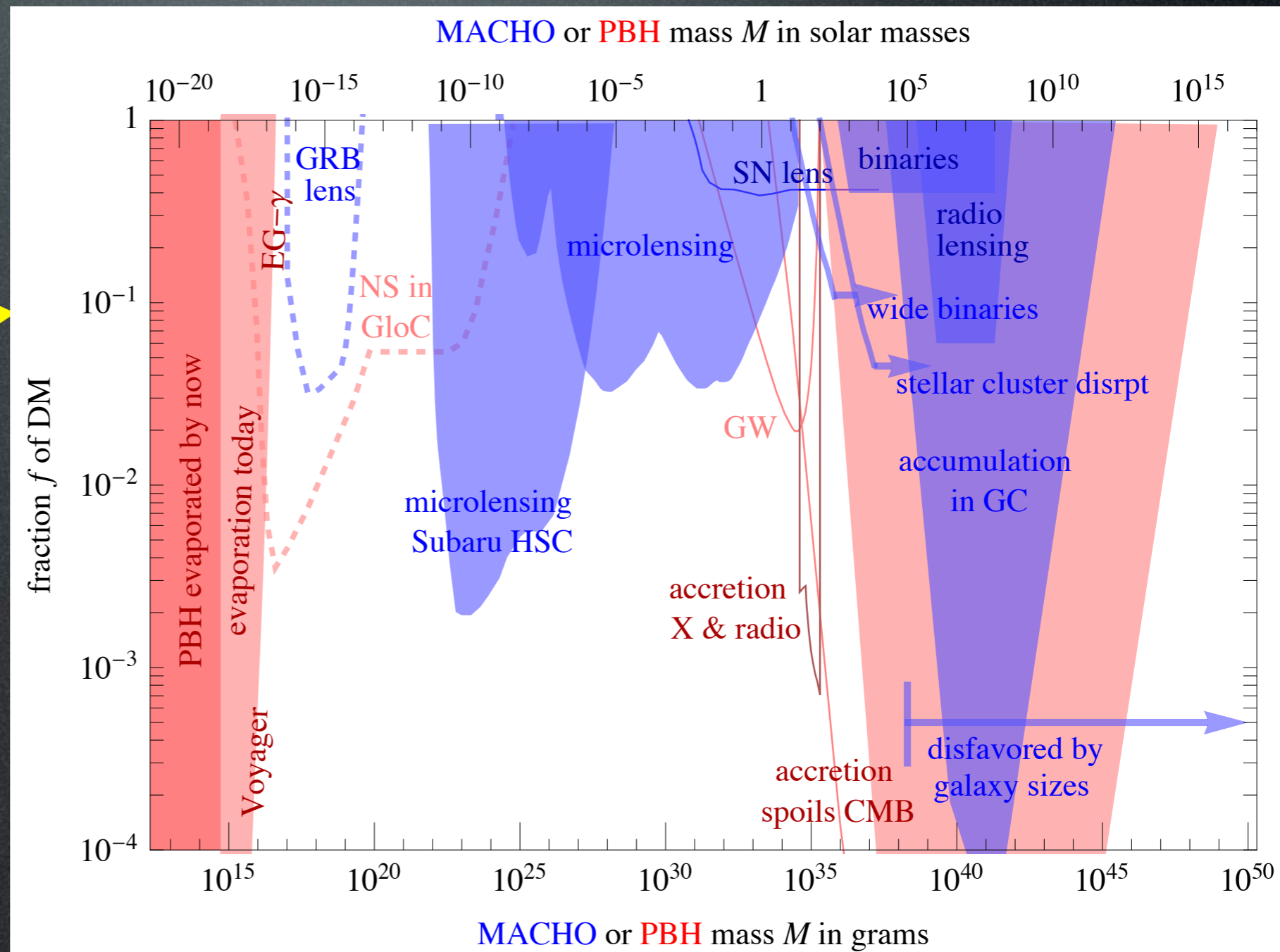
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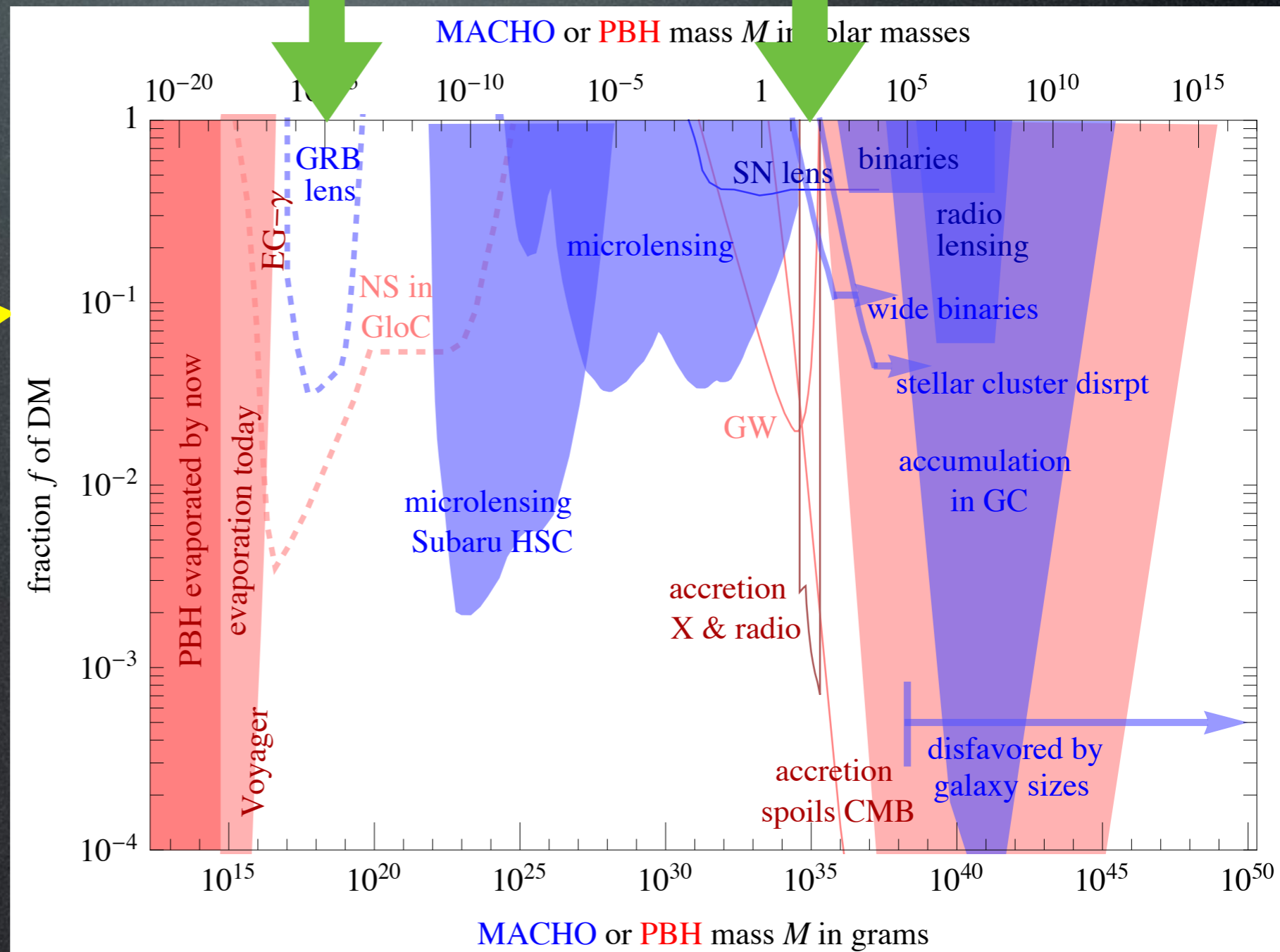
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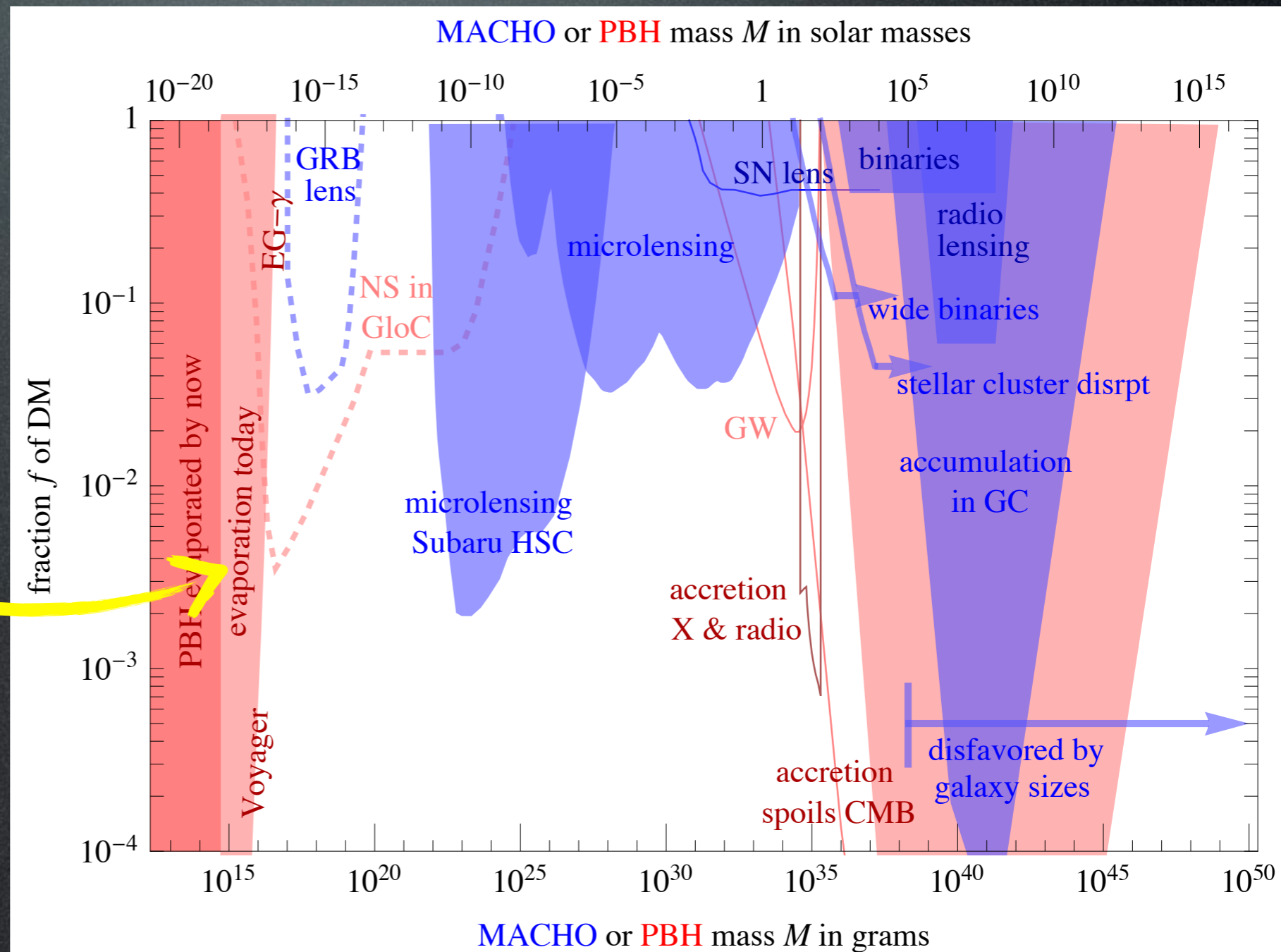
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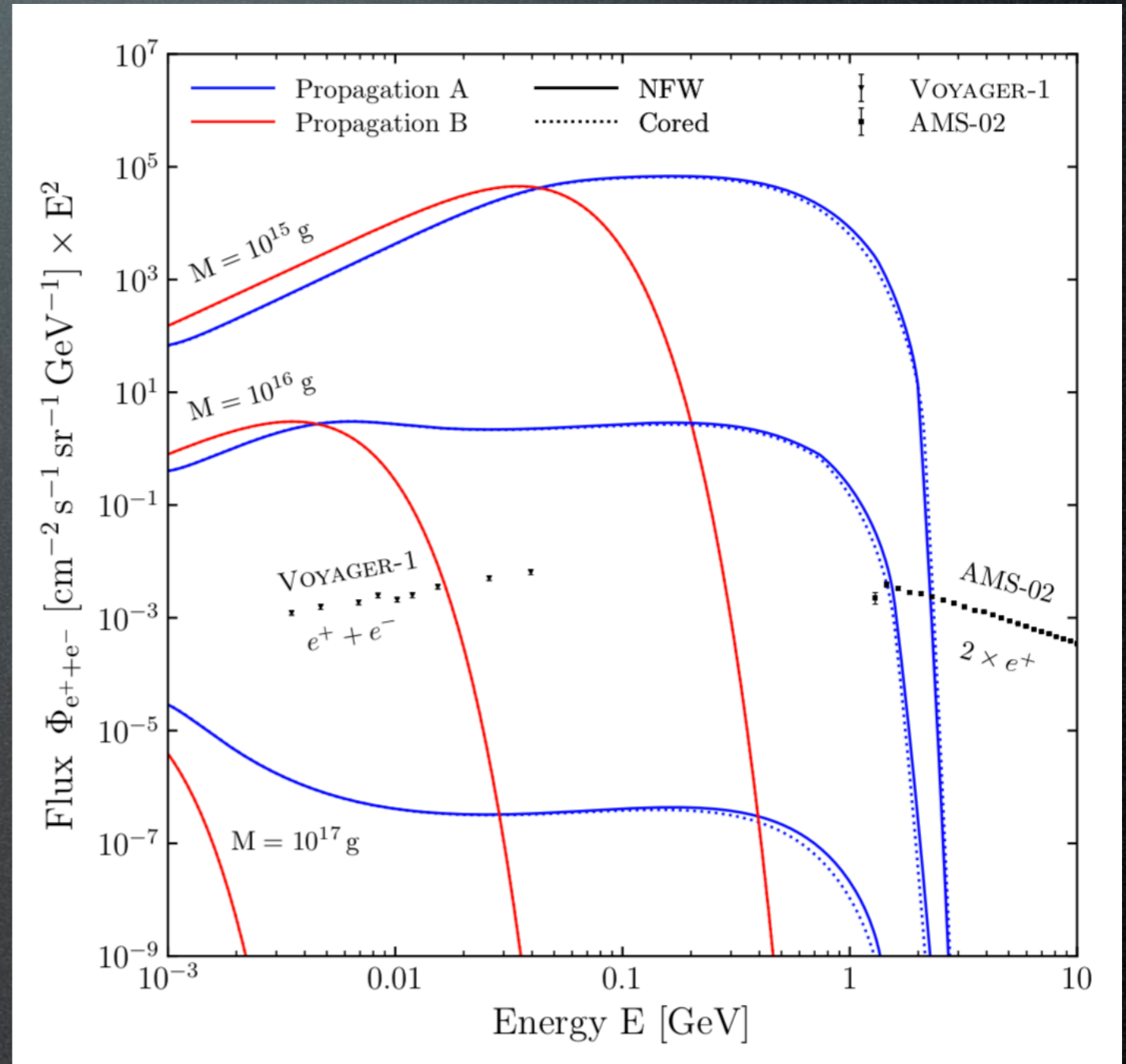
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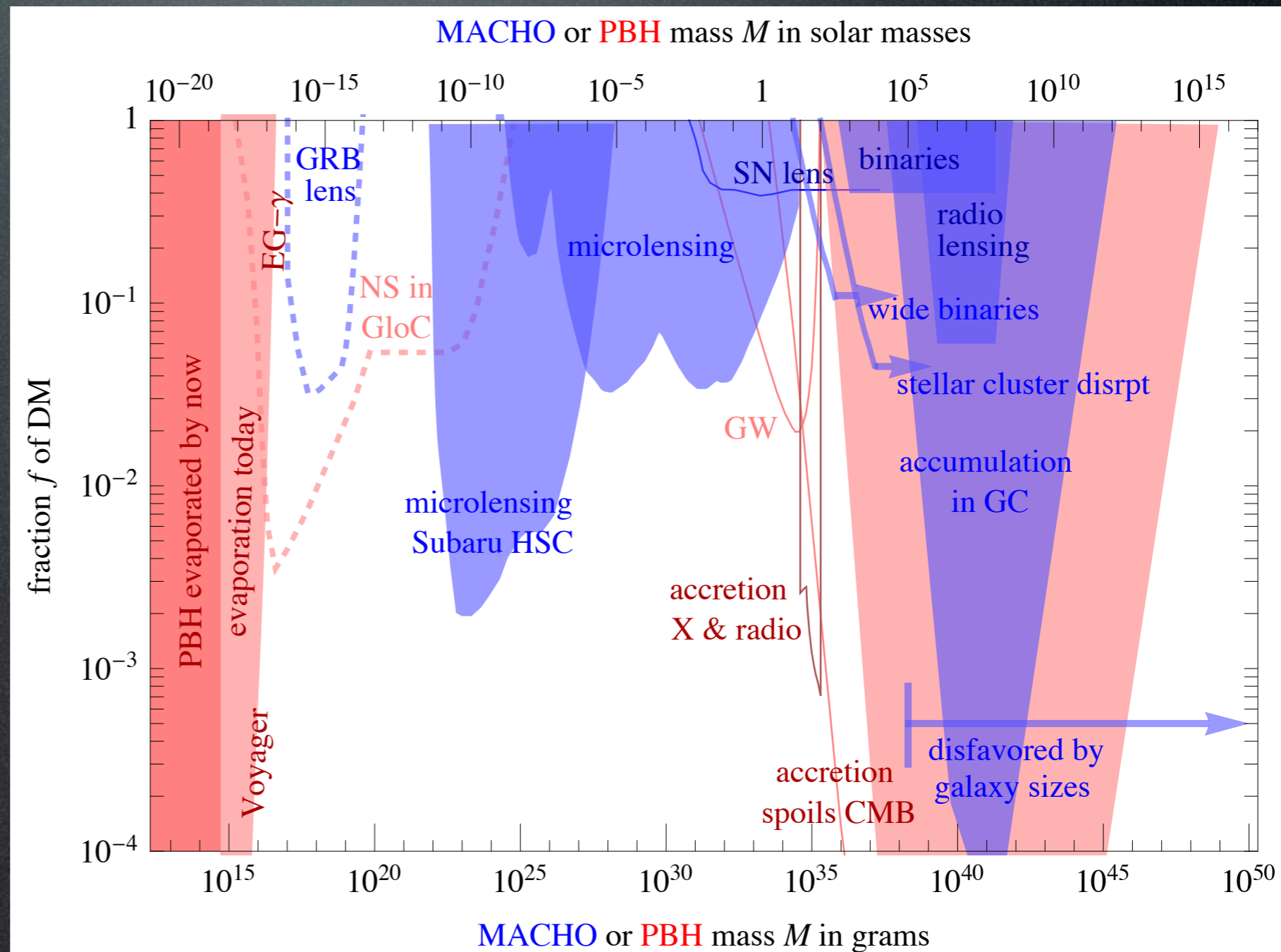
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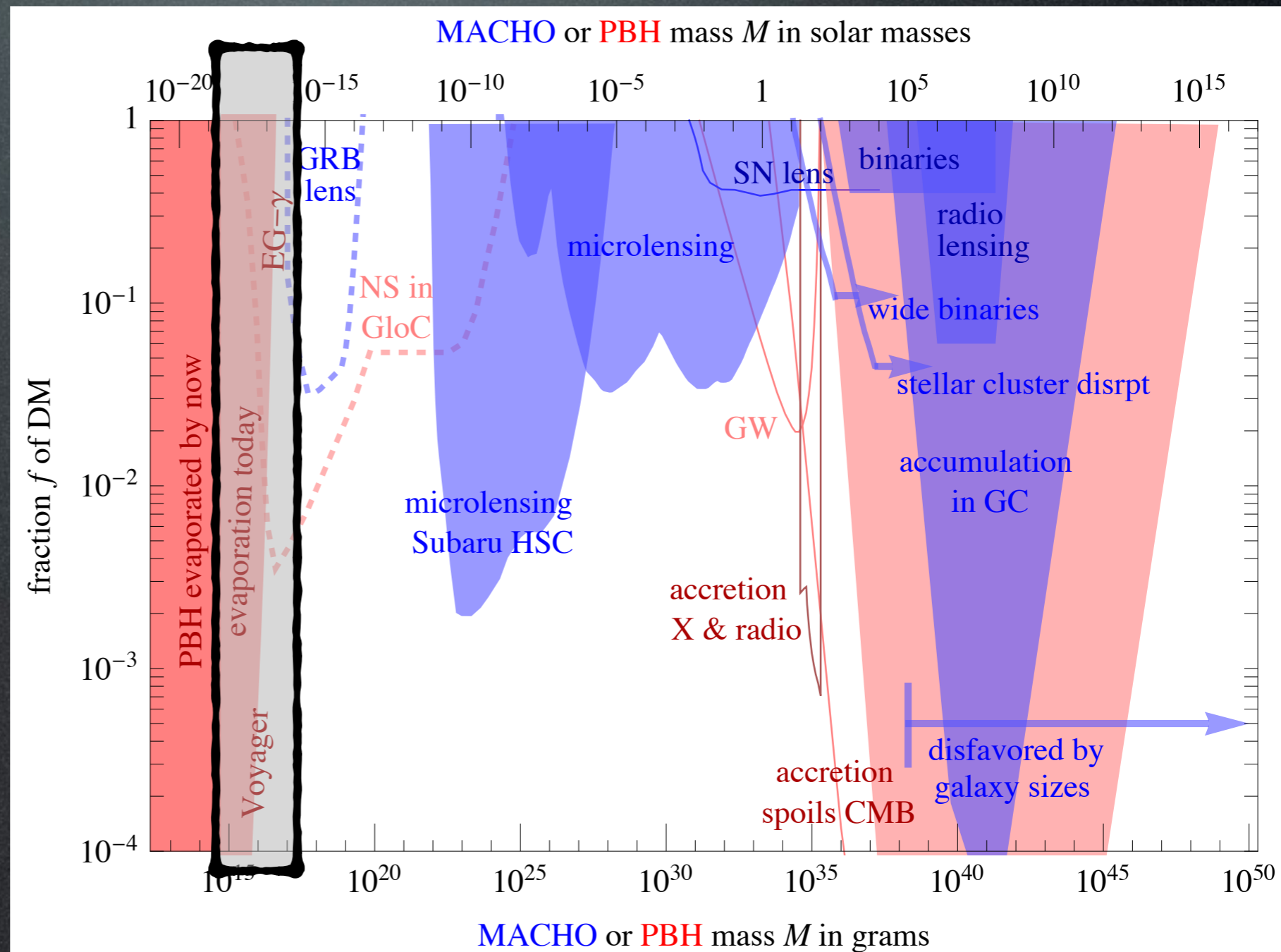
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$$M \simeq 10^{15} (t/10^{-23} \text{ sec}) \text{ g}$$

constraints

'small' PBHs emit today by Hawking evaporation

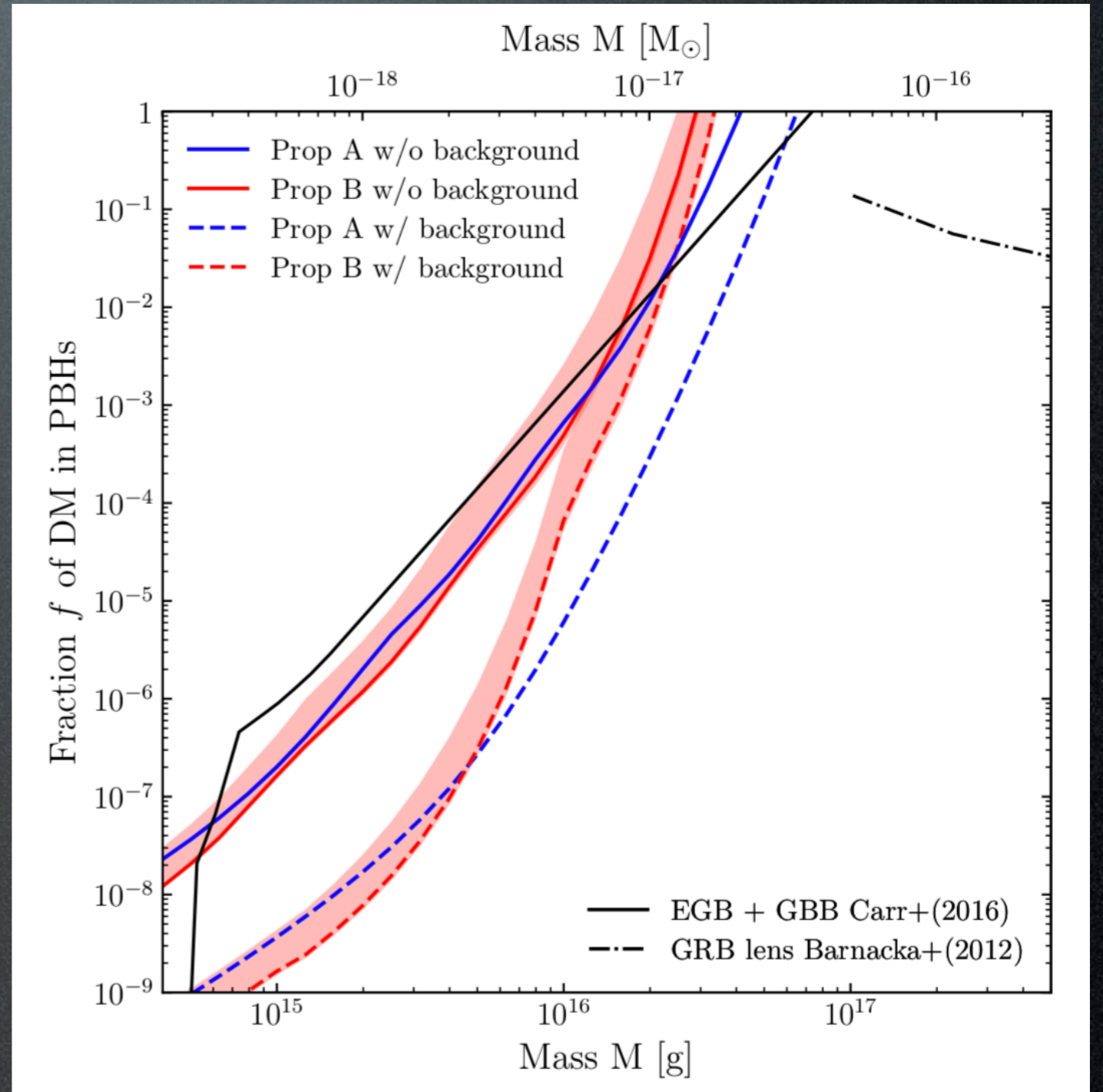
$$T = \frac{1}{8\pi G_N M}$$

rate

$$\frac{dM}{dt} \simeq -5 \times 10^{25} f(M) \left(\frac{g}{M}\right)^2 \text{ g/s}$$

spectrum

$$\frac{dN}{dt dE} = \frac{27 G^2 M^2 E^2}{2\pi e^{E/T} + 1}$$



# PBHs as DM

## Constraints on Primordial Black Holes



An illustration of Voyager 1, now 21.7 billion kilometers away JPL CALTECH/NASA

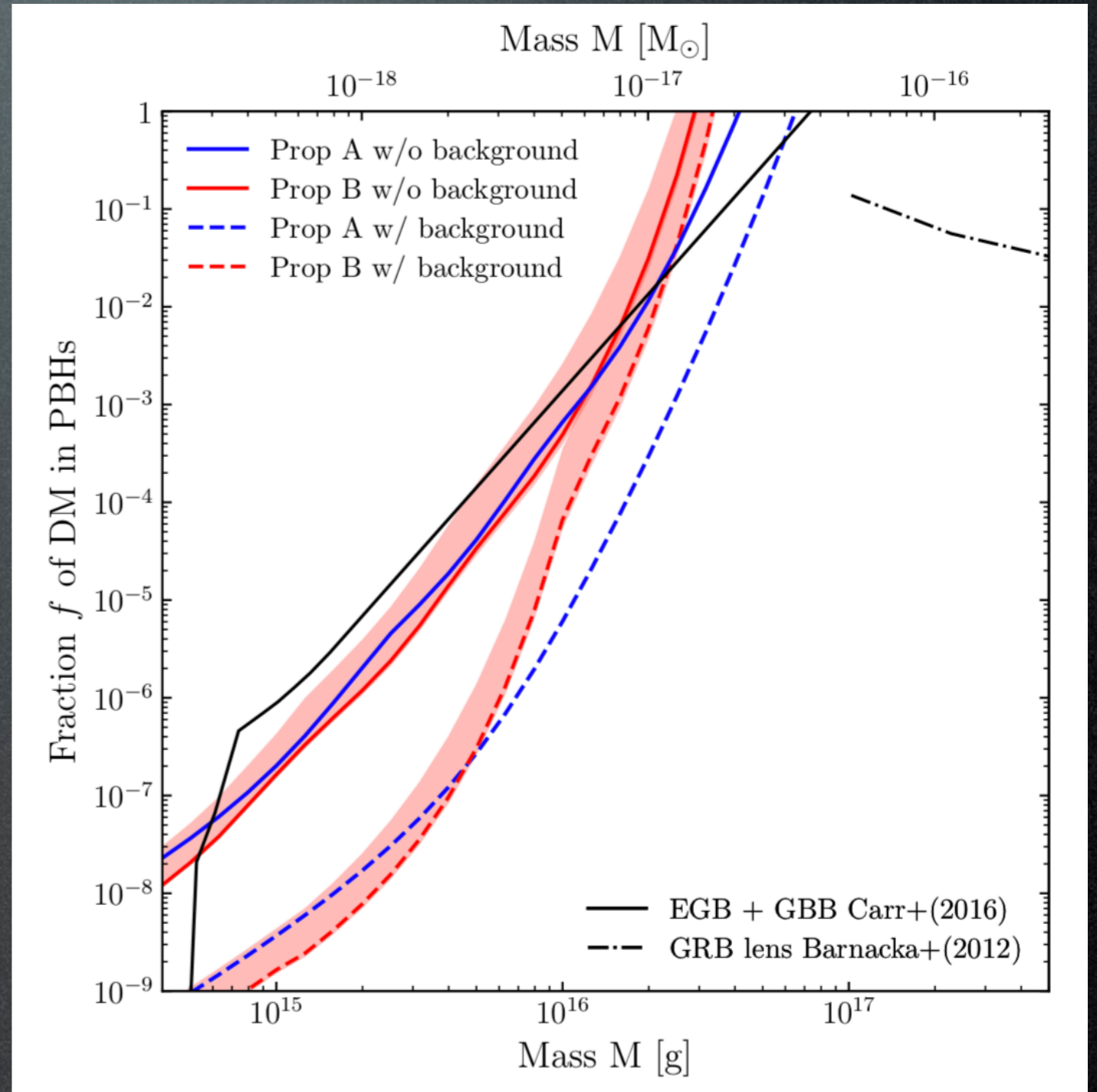
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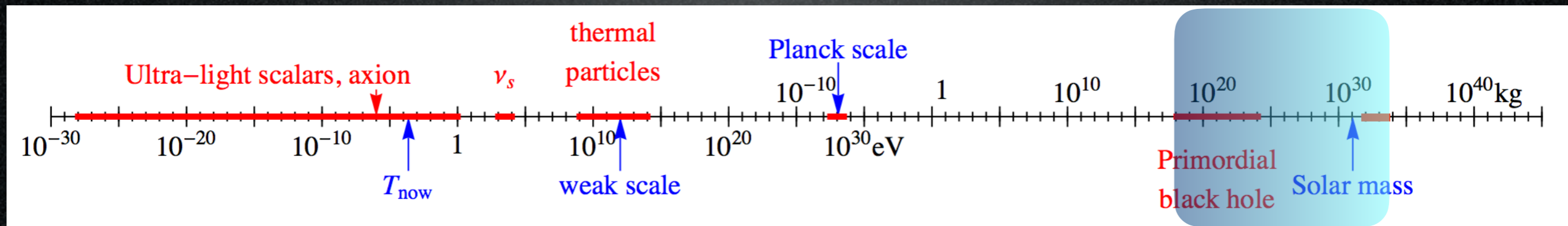
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Science  
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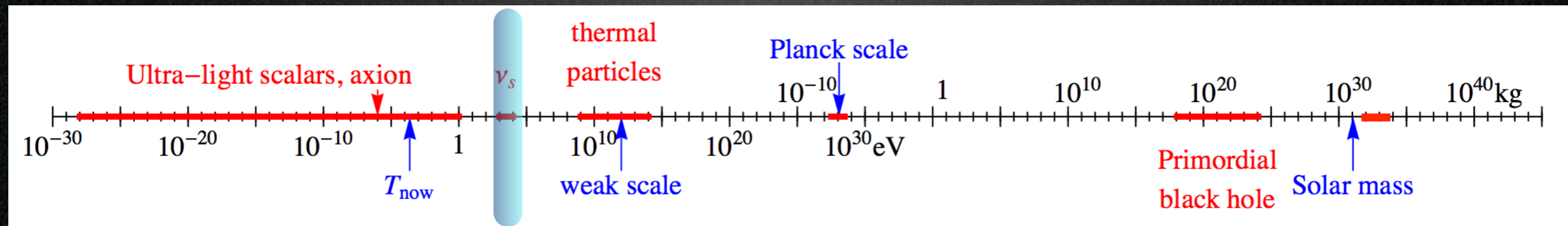
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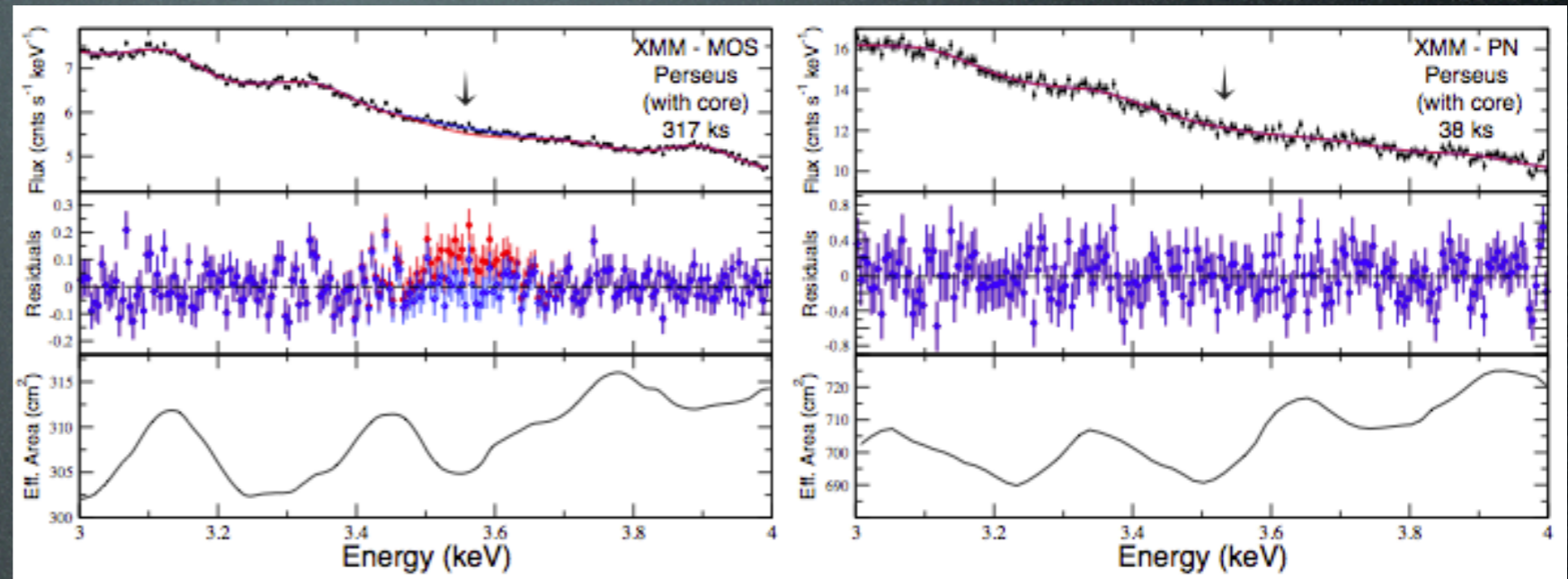
$3.55 - 3.57 \pm 0.03$  KeV

73 clusters

(Chandra & XMM-Newton)

$z = 0.01 - 0.35$

$\gtrsim 4\sigma$



Boyarsky, Ruchayskiy,  
1402.4119

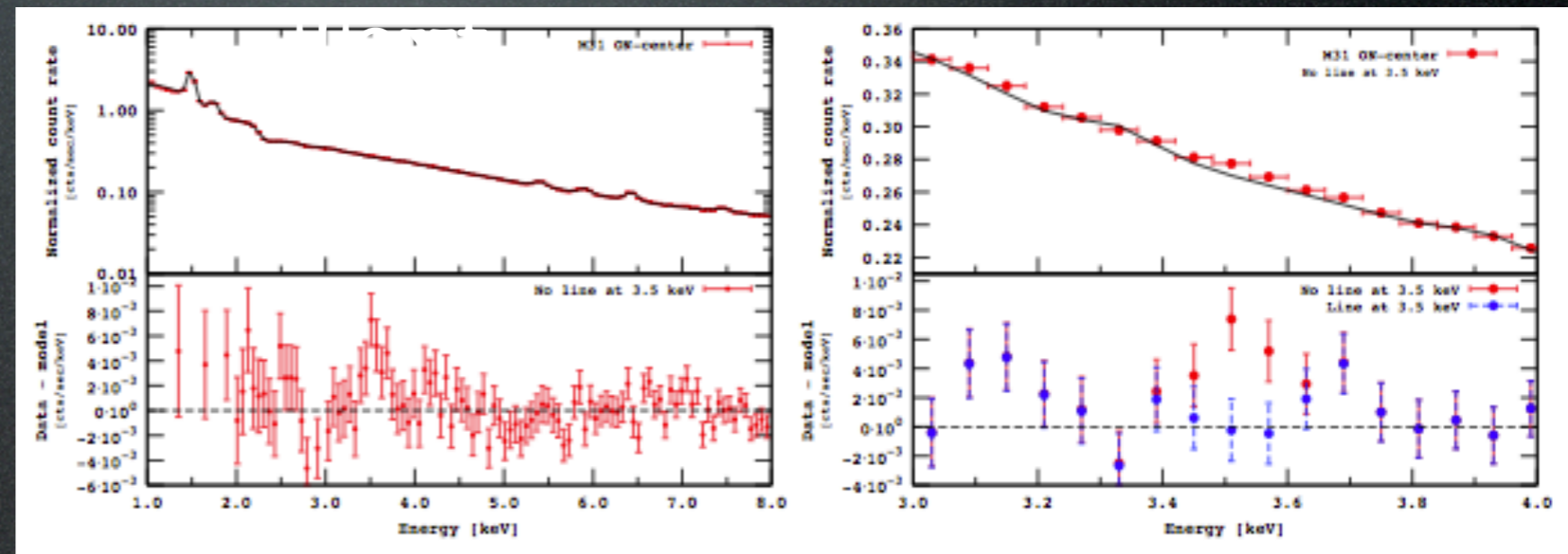
3.5 KeV

Andromeda galaxy  
+ Perseus cluster

(XMM-Newton)

$z = 0$  and  $0.0179$

$4.4\sigma$



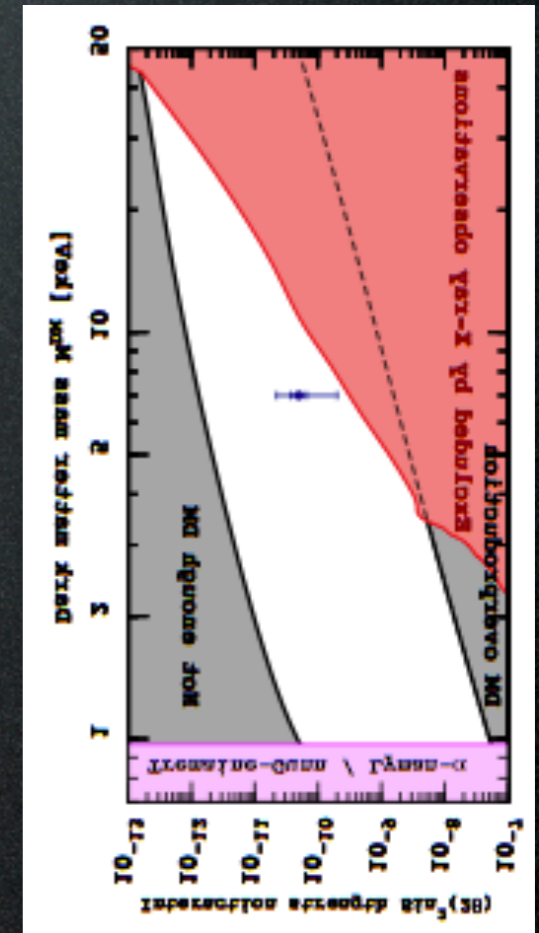
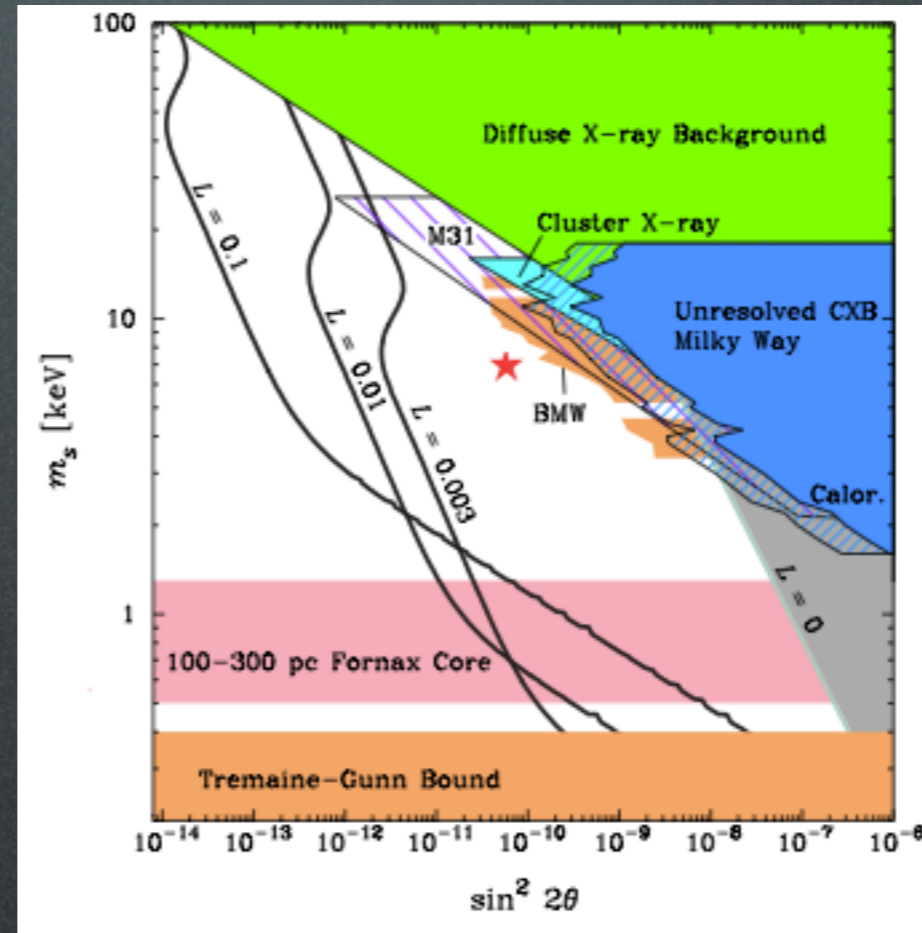
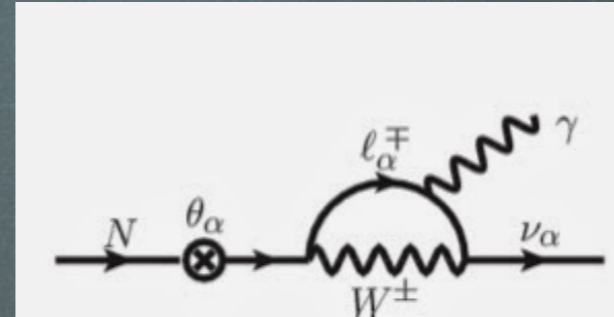
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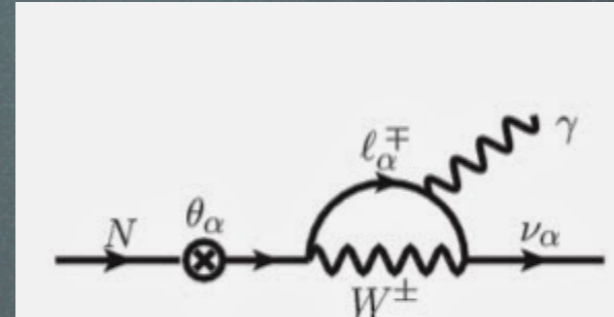
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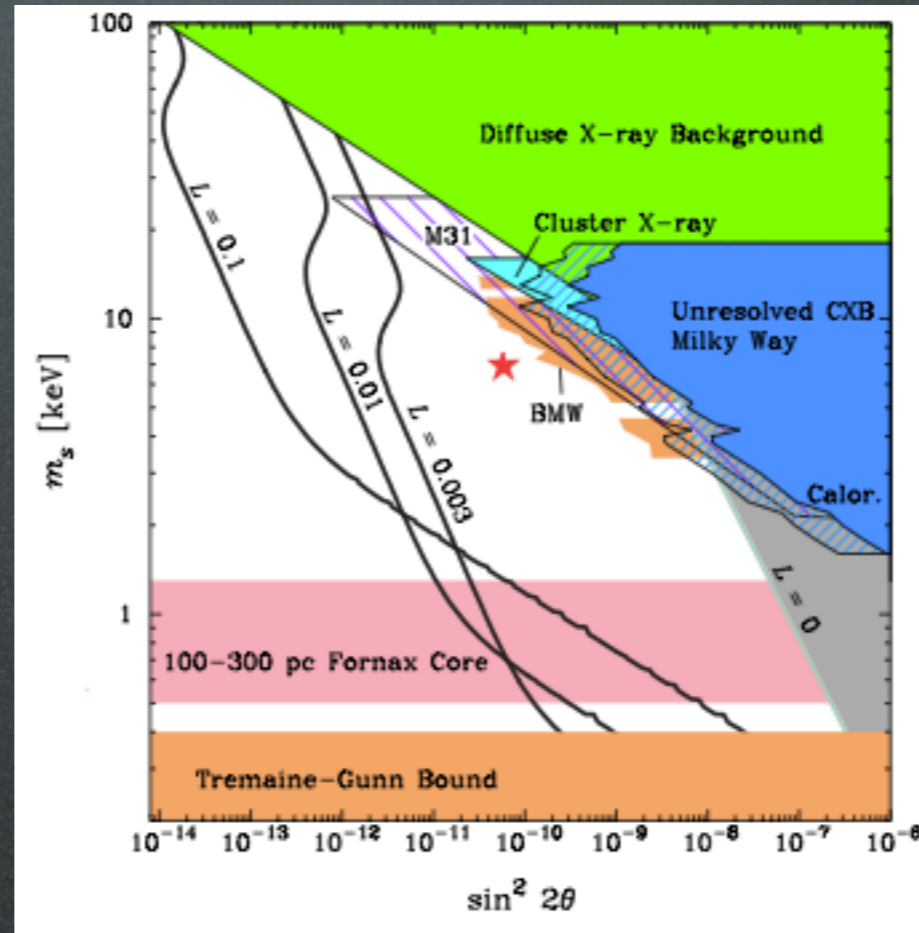
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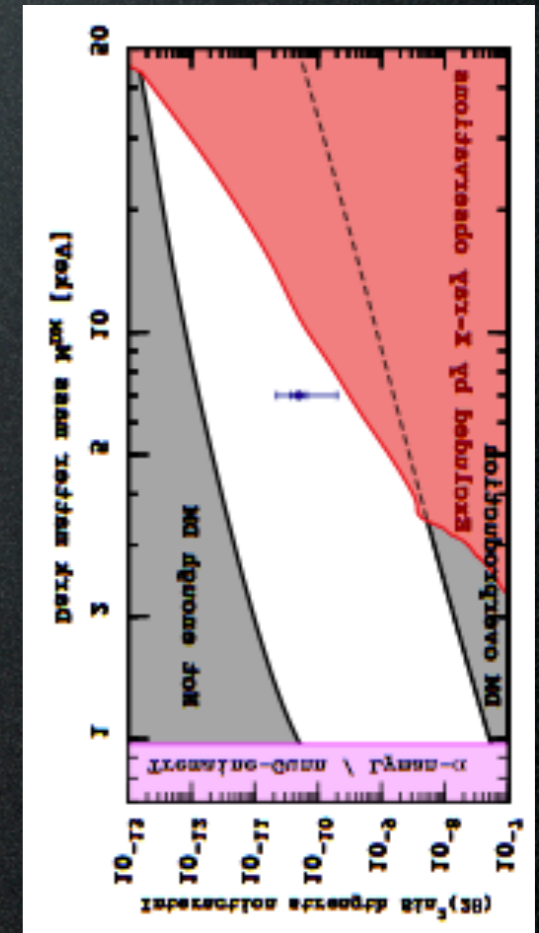


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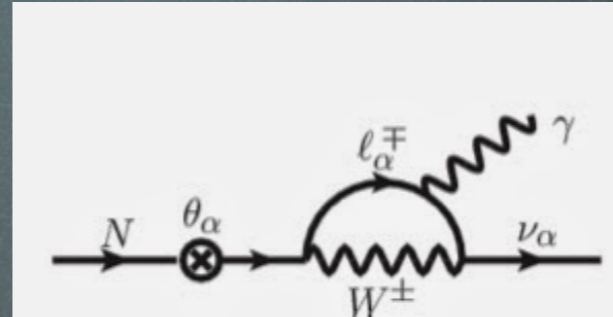
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Riemer-Sørensen, 1405.7943

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- no line seen in dSphs (but results are not conclusive) Malyshev et al., 1408.3531

- no line seen in other galaxies (but errors might be underestimated? says Boyarski's group) Anderson et al., 1408.4115

- no line seen in other clusters (but seen in Perseus with **Suzaku**! maybe it's proper of Perseus?)

- morphology incompatible with DM Carlson, Profumo<sup>2</sup>, 1411.1758 Urban, Strigari et al., 1411.0050

- but seen in Milky Way halo with **NuStar**, and Chandra!

Neronov, Malyshev, 1607.07328

Cappelluti+ 1701.07932

Perhaps reconciled  
if it is excited DM?

Cline & Frey, 1410.7766

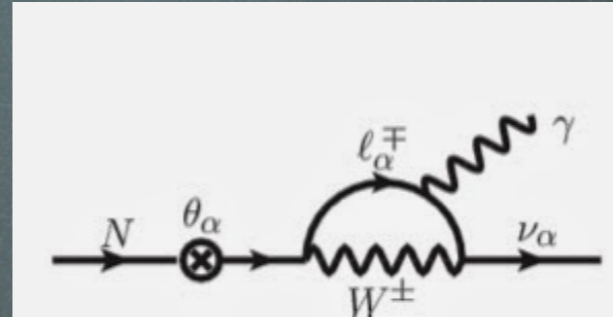
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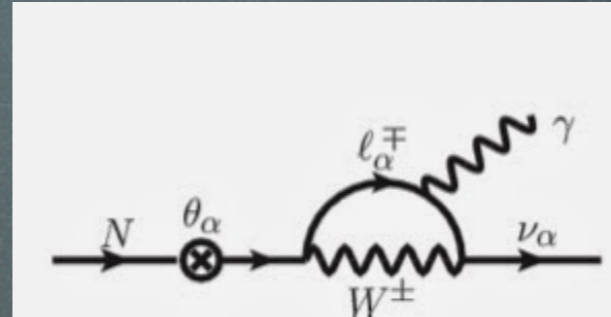
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### POTASSIUM FLARES

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#### Introduction

Publications of the Astronomical Society  
of the Pacific, Vol. 79, No. 469, p.351  
hat-tip: S. Profumo, Brian Siana

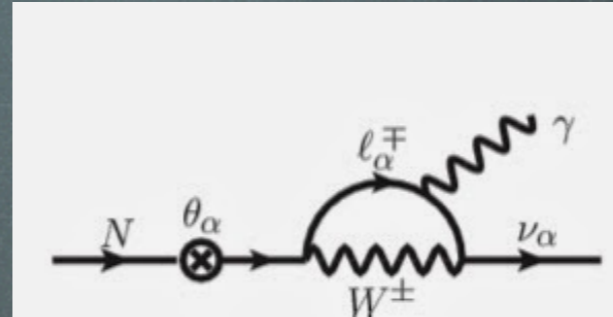
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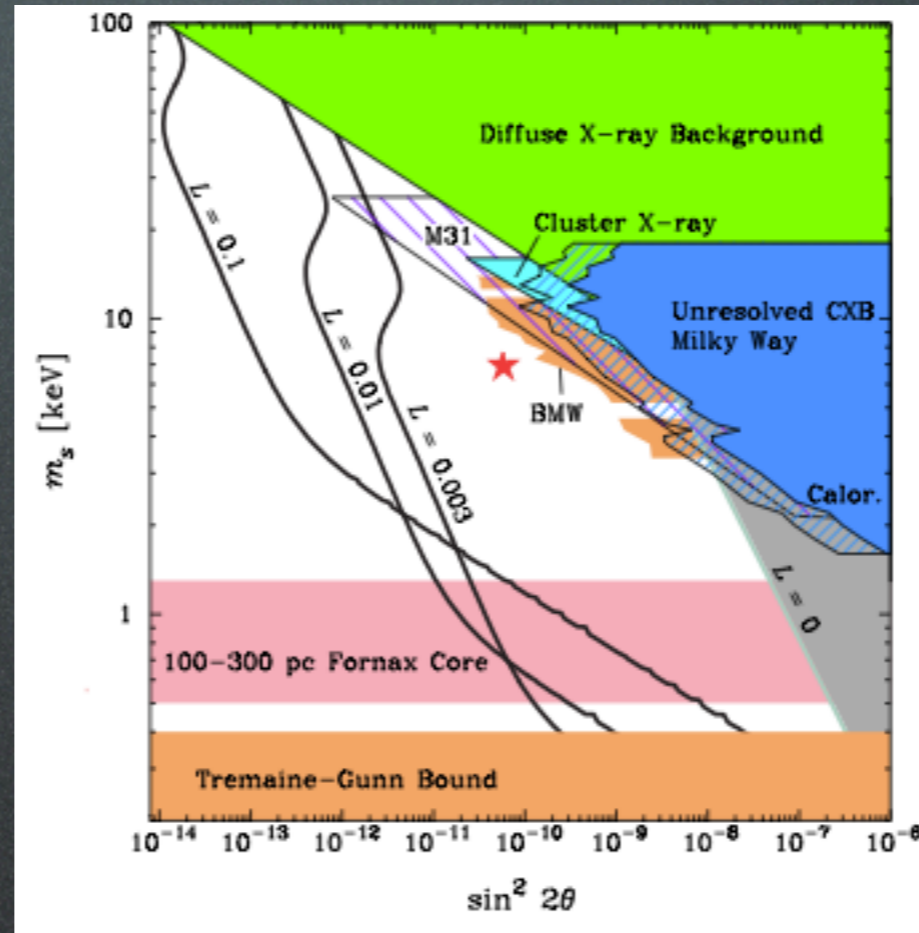
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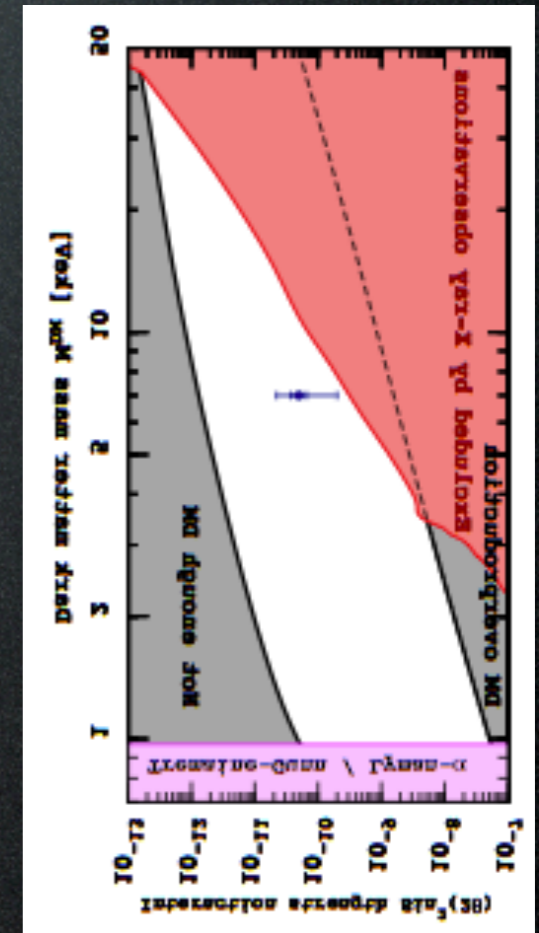


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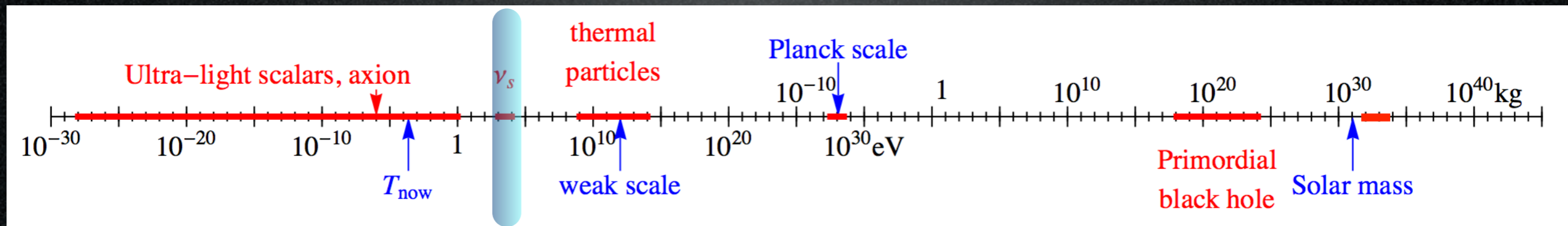
## Other possibilities:

axion (1402.7335), axino (1403.1536, 1403.1782, 1403.6621), modulus (1403.1733), ALP (1403.2370), gravitino (1403.6503), excited DM (1404.4795), the good the bad and the unlikely (1403.1570), sgoldstino (1404.1339), magnetic DM (1404.5446), majoron (1404.1400), annihilating effective DM (1404.1927), 7KeV scalar DM (1404.2220)...



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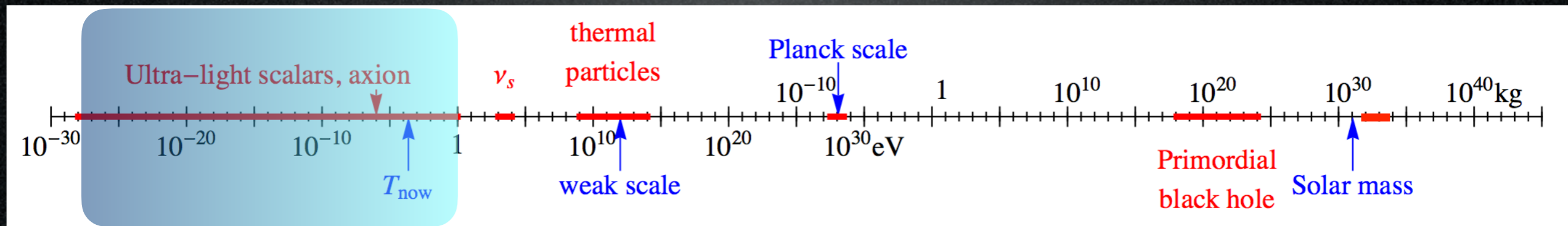
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Theoretically motivated:

one can add to the SM  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} - \theta \frac{g_3^2}{64\pi^2} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a$

which induces  $d_n \approx \theta e m_\pi^2 / m_N^2 \approx 10^{-16} \theta e \text{ cm}$

$$\left( \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a \equiv \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} G_{\alpha\beta}^a \right)$$

but experimentally  $|d_n| \lesssim 3 \cdot 10^{-26} e \text{ cm}$

so why is  $|\theta| \lesssim 10^{-11}$  ?

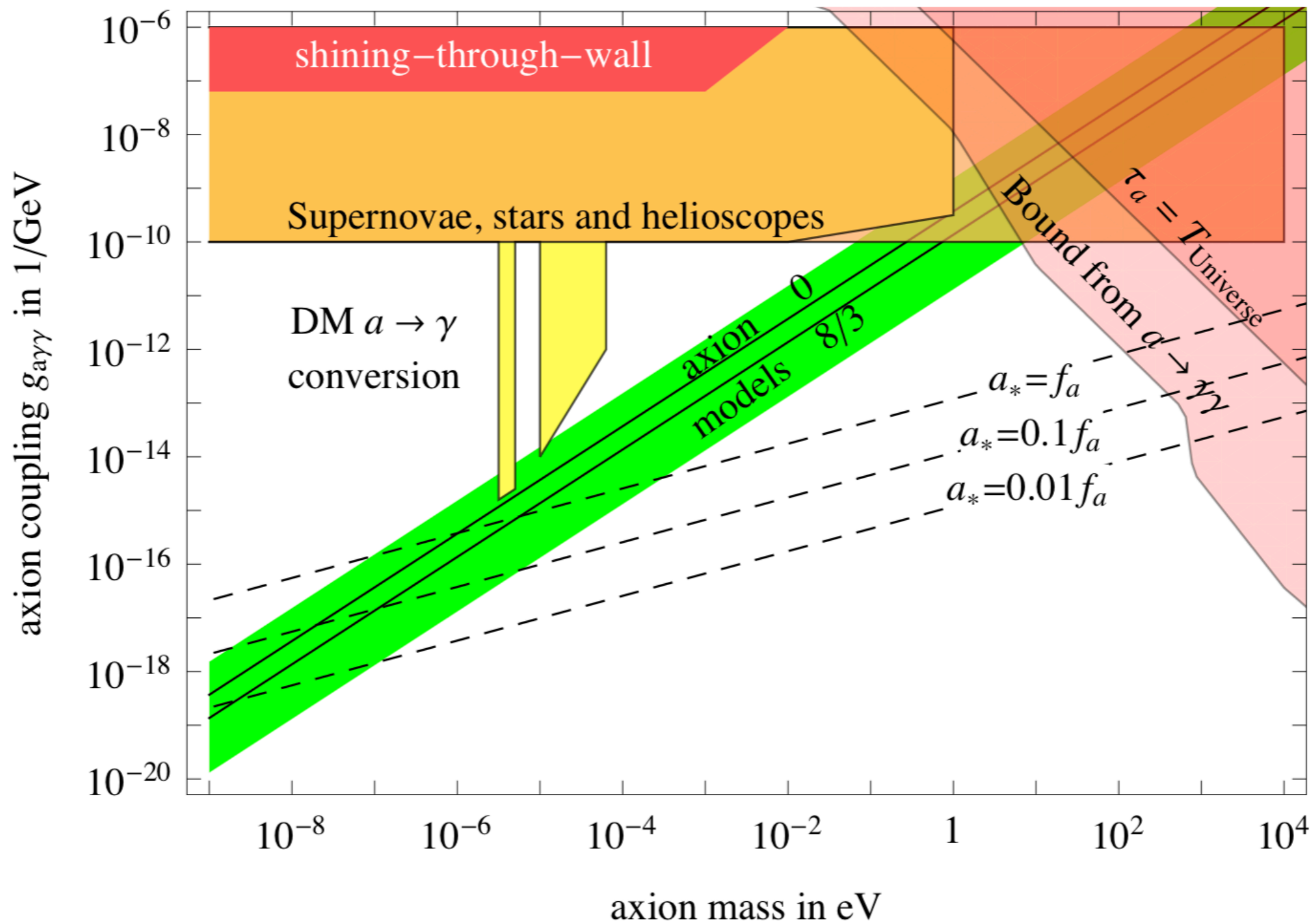
Perhaps because  $\theta$  is dynamical (a field)

and driven to (almost) zero by its potential  
(symmetrical under  $U(1)_{\text{PQ}}$ ).

In this case  $m_a \approx 0.6 \text{ meV} \frac{10^{10} \text{ GeV}}{f_a}$

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