

*QCD in extreme conditions
color glasses and
quark condensates*

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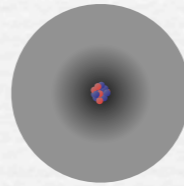
Along the way...

We shall define what are quark and gluon condensates and what are **partons**

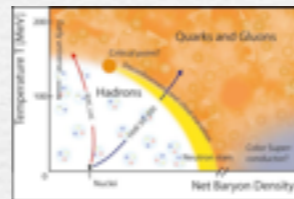
We shall use quantum physics, electrodynamics, special relativity but almost no quantum field theory

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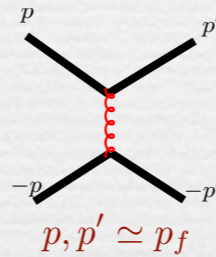
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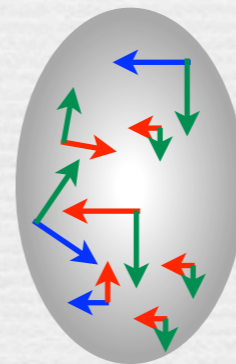
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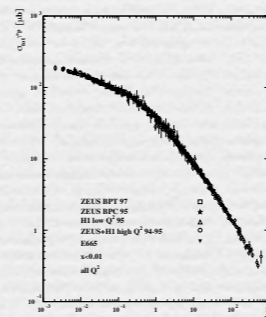
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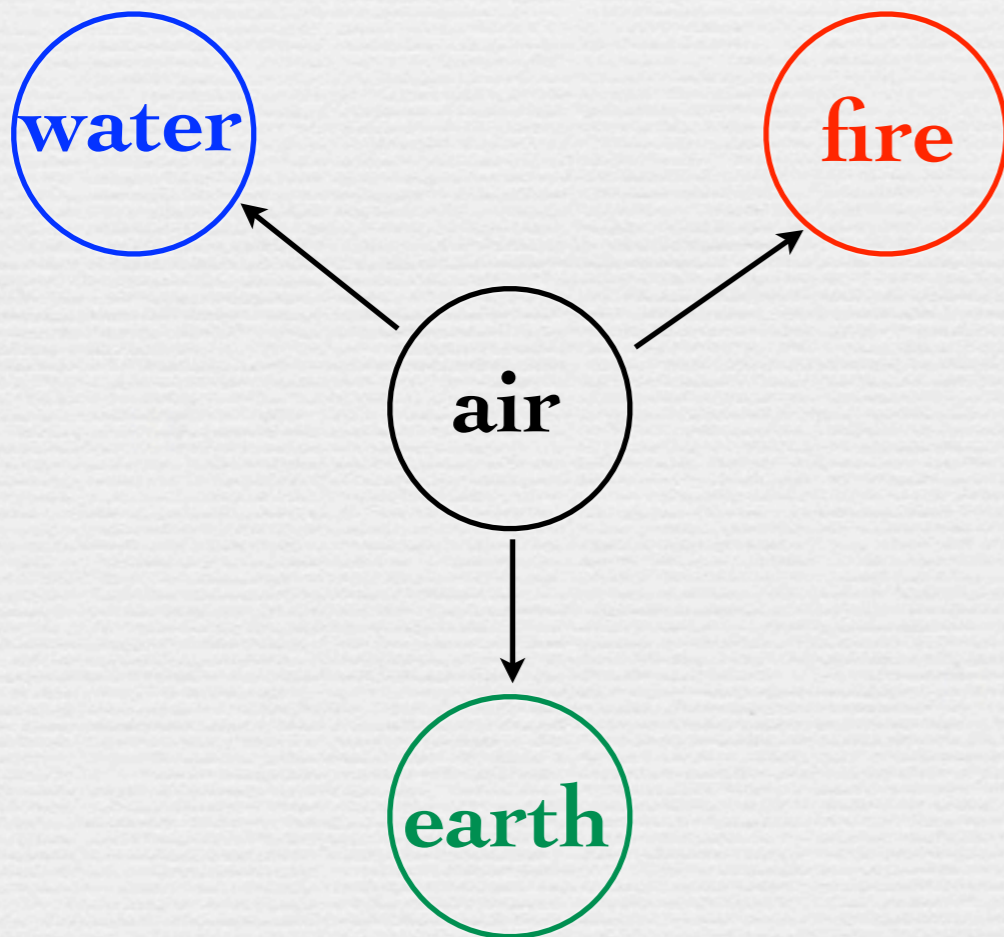
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What is matter made of?

Ancient Greek view

Reductionism: complex objects are made by simple objects

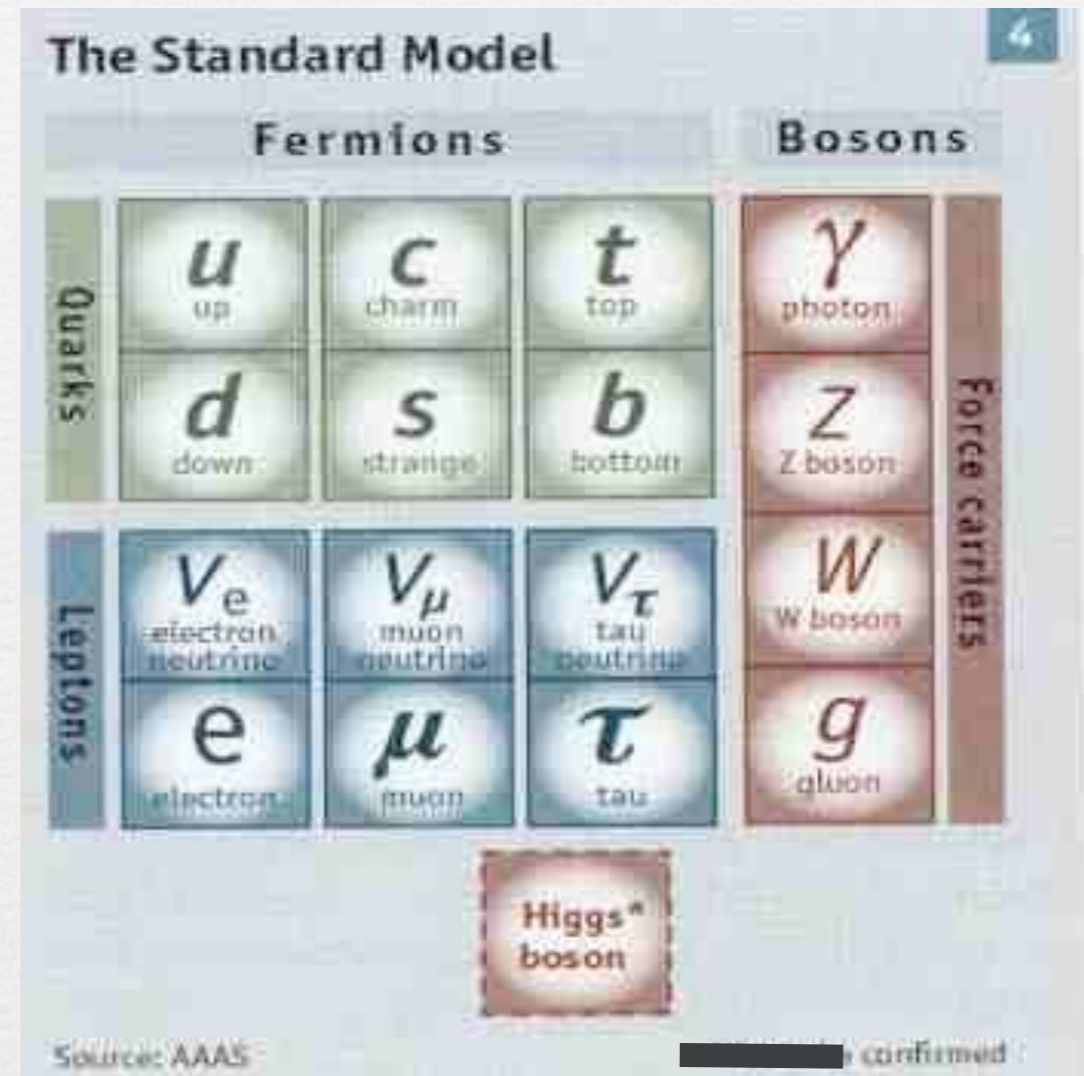
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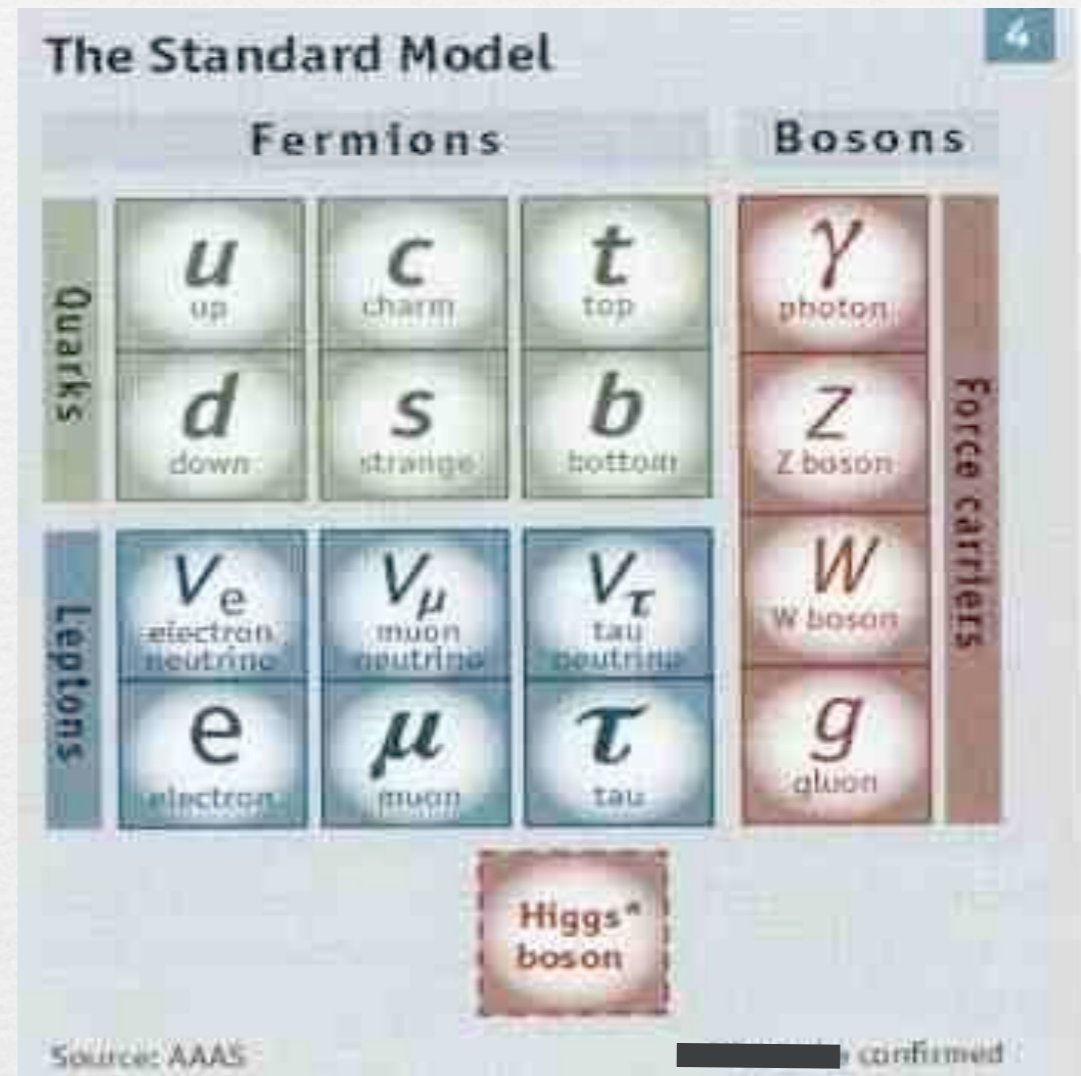
**water, fire and earth
are condensed states of air**

Matter is made by water, earth and fire in
different states of aggregation

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I will try to convince you that **any reductionist approach is inadequate**. Matter description by **effective degrees of freedom and effective couplings**, depending on

the thermodynamic state
the energy of the probe
the kinematic state of the observer

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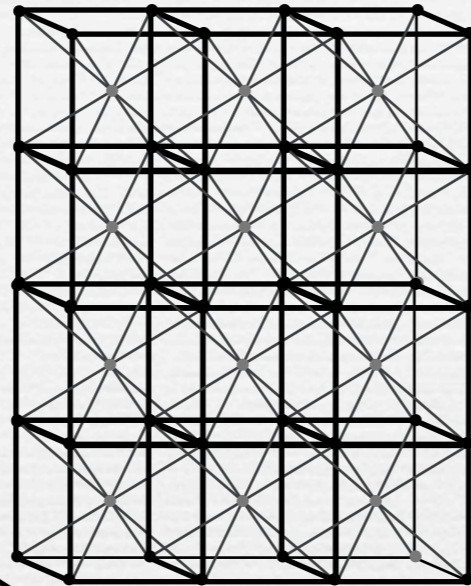


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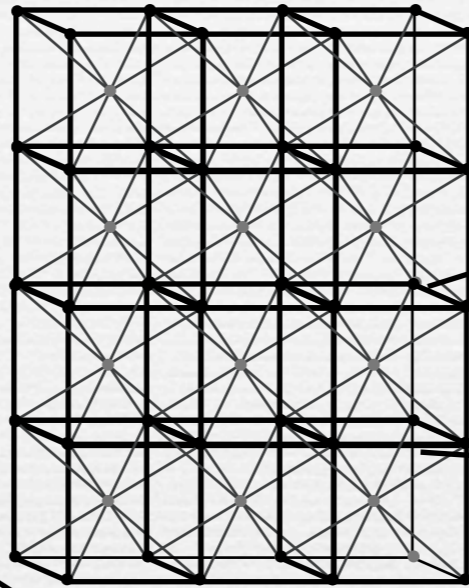


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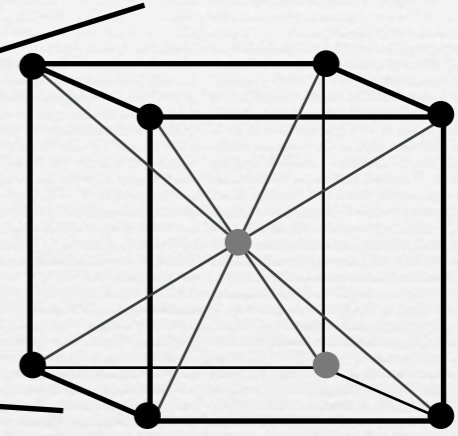
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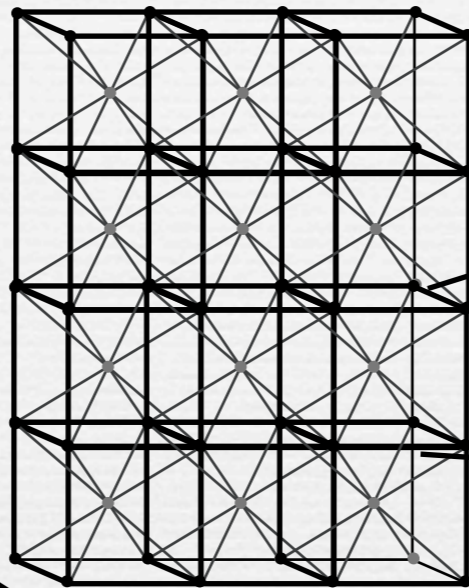


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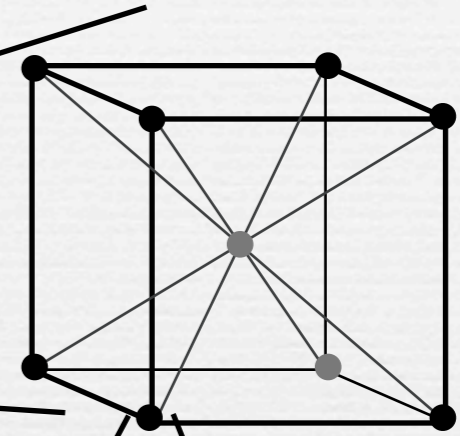
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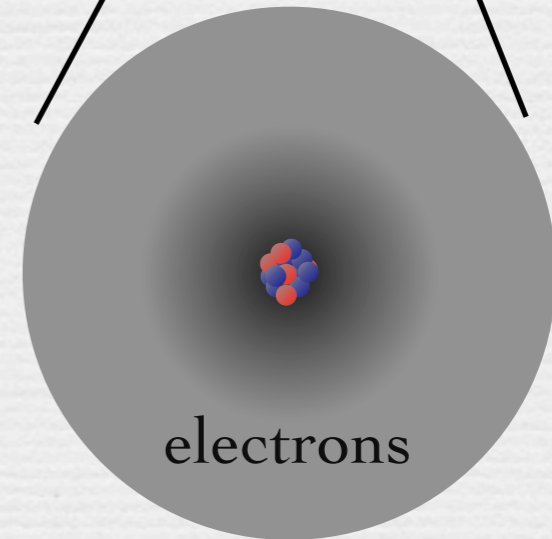
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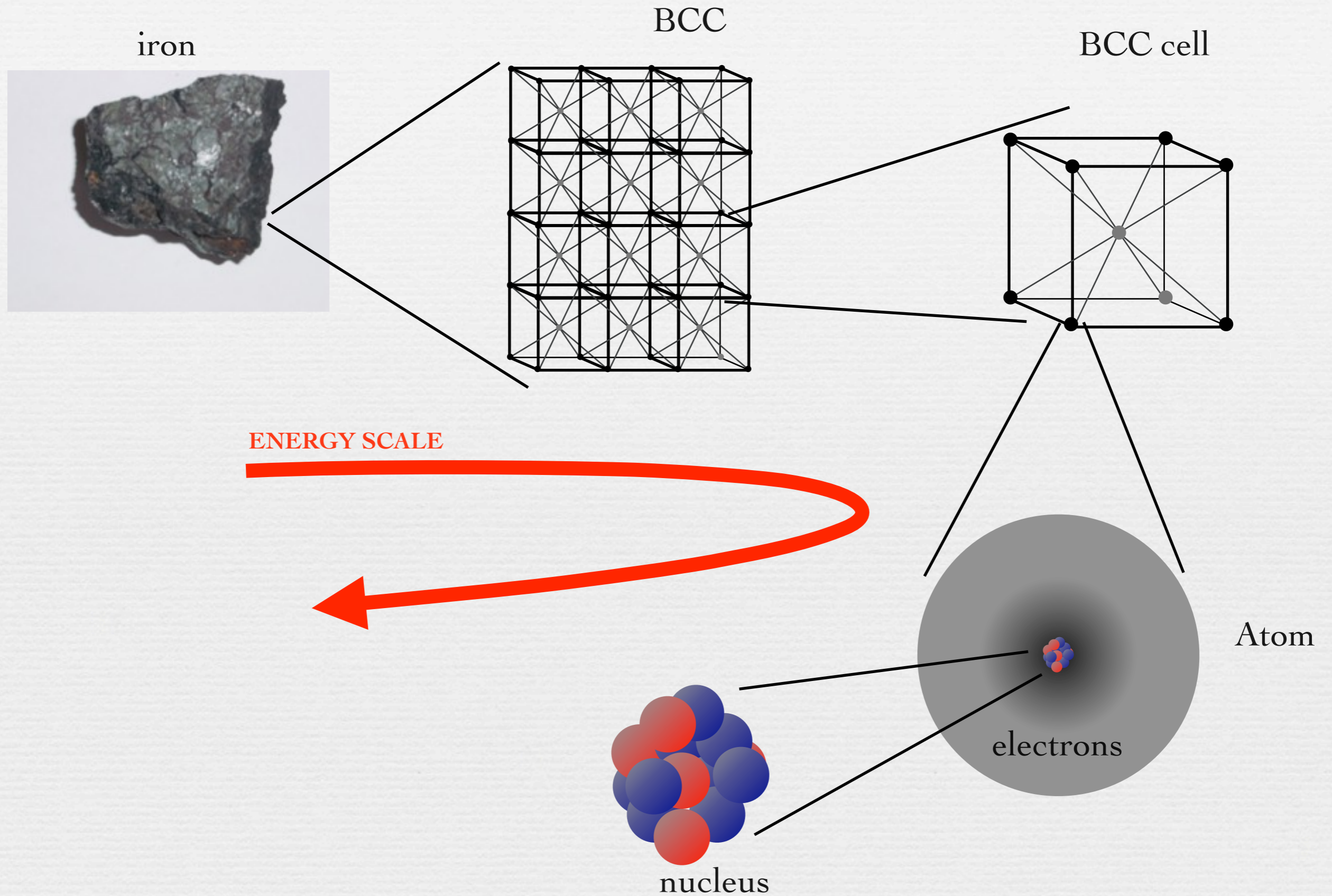
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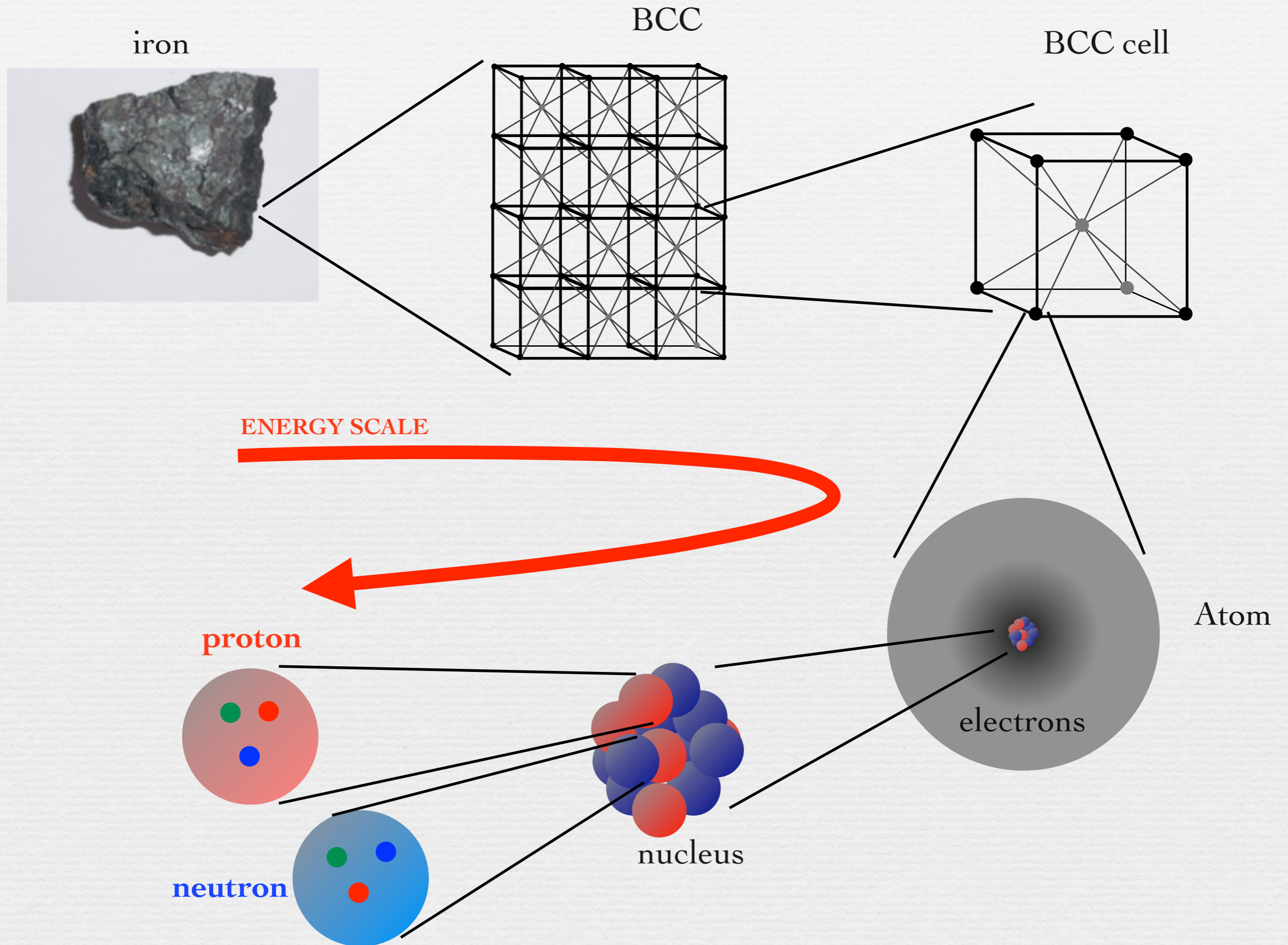
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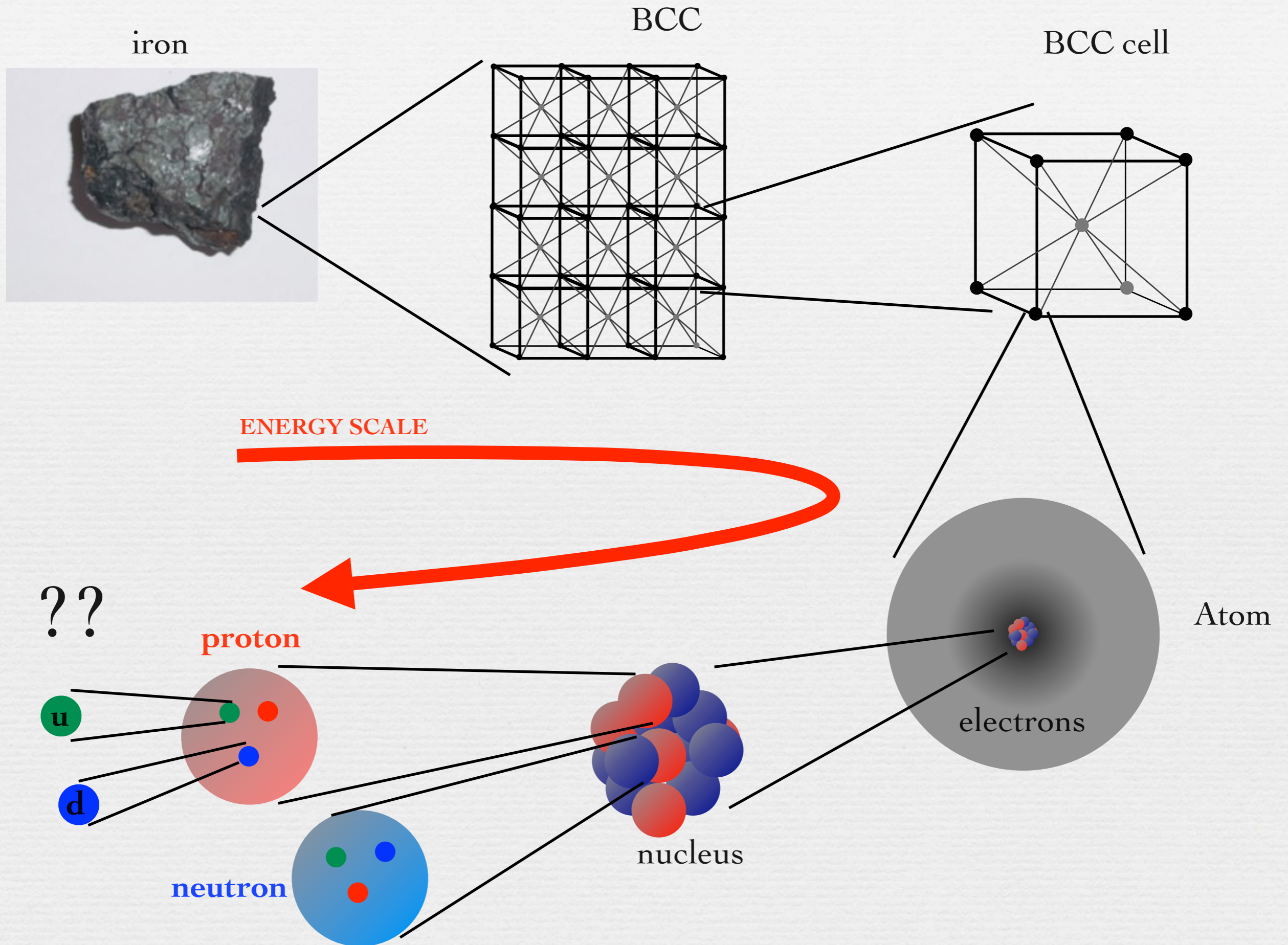
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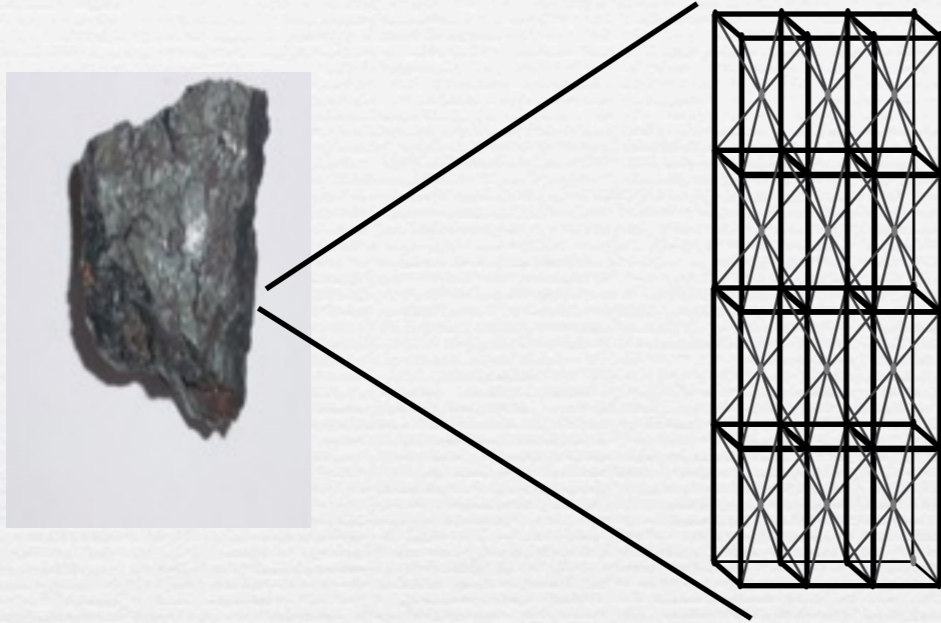
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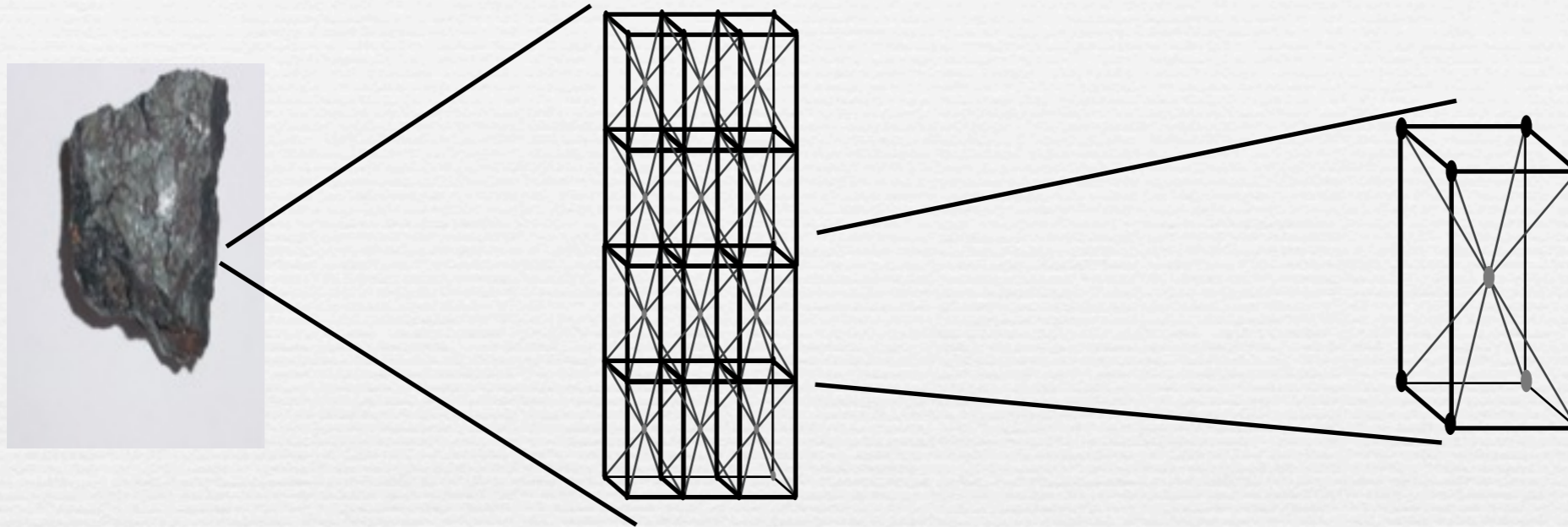
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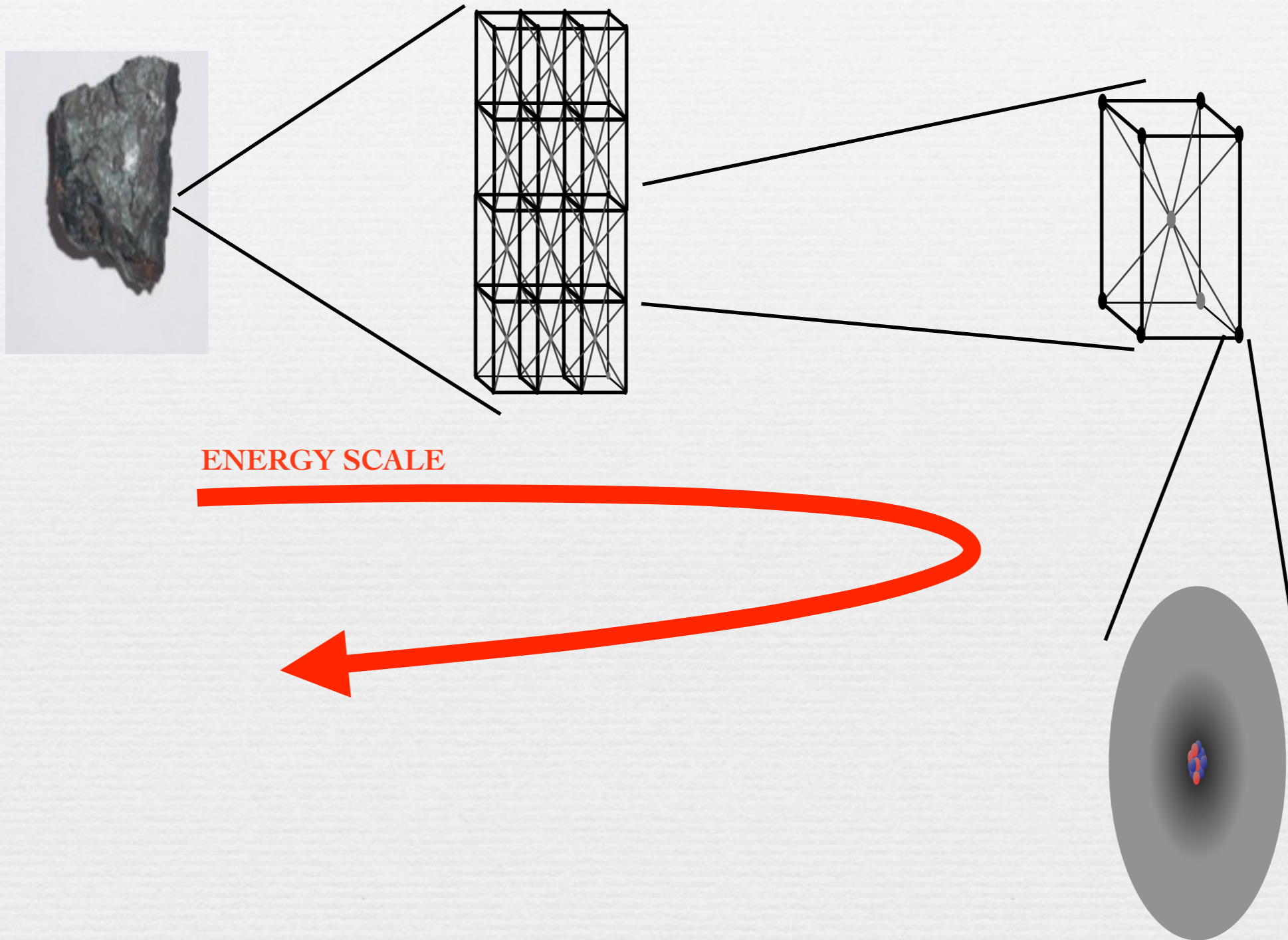
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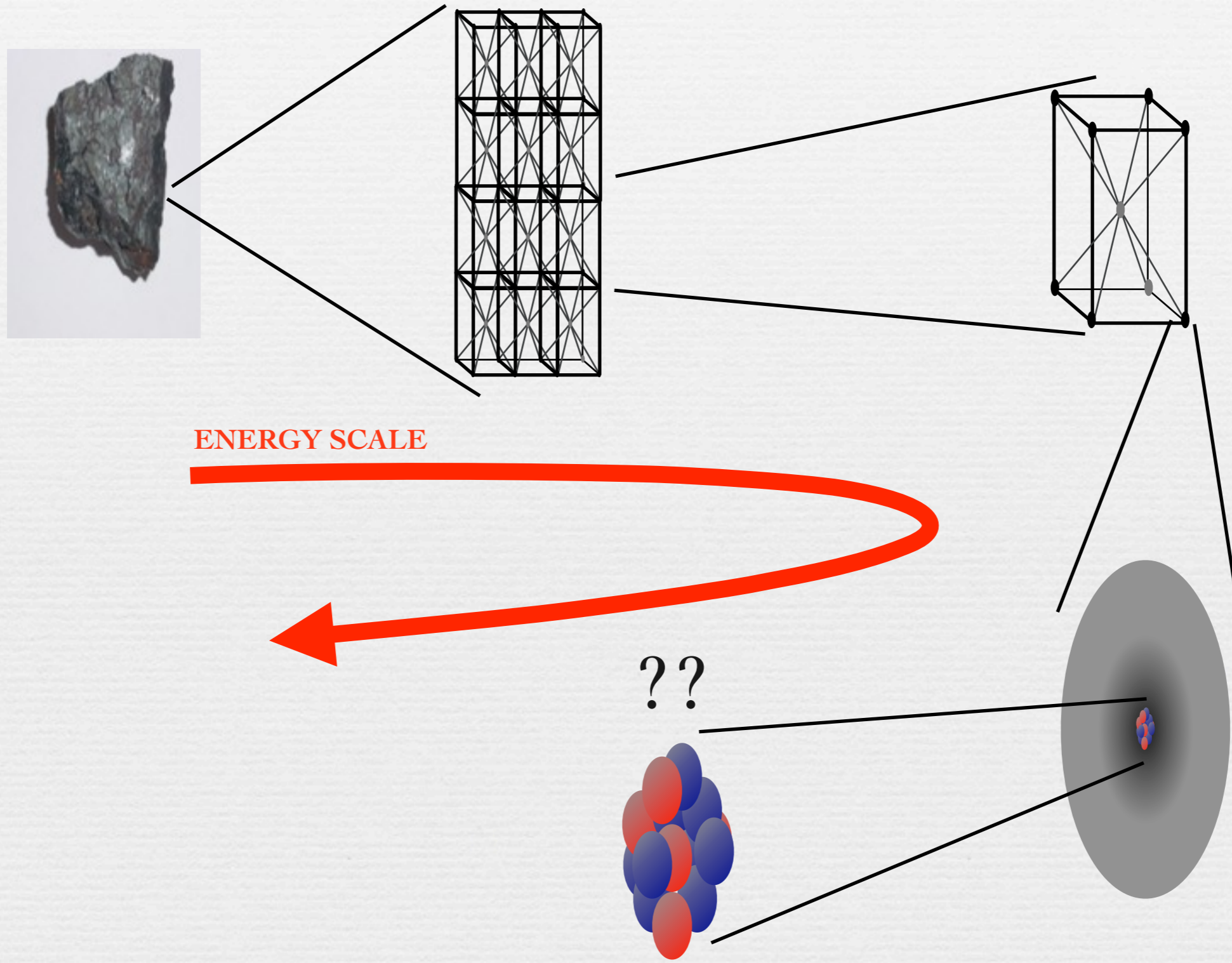
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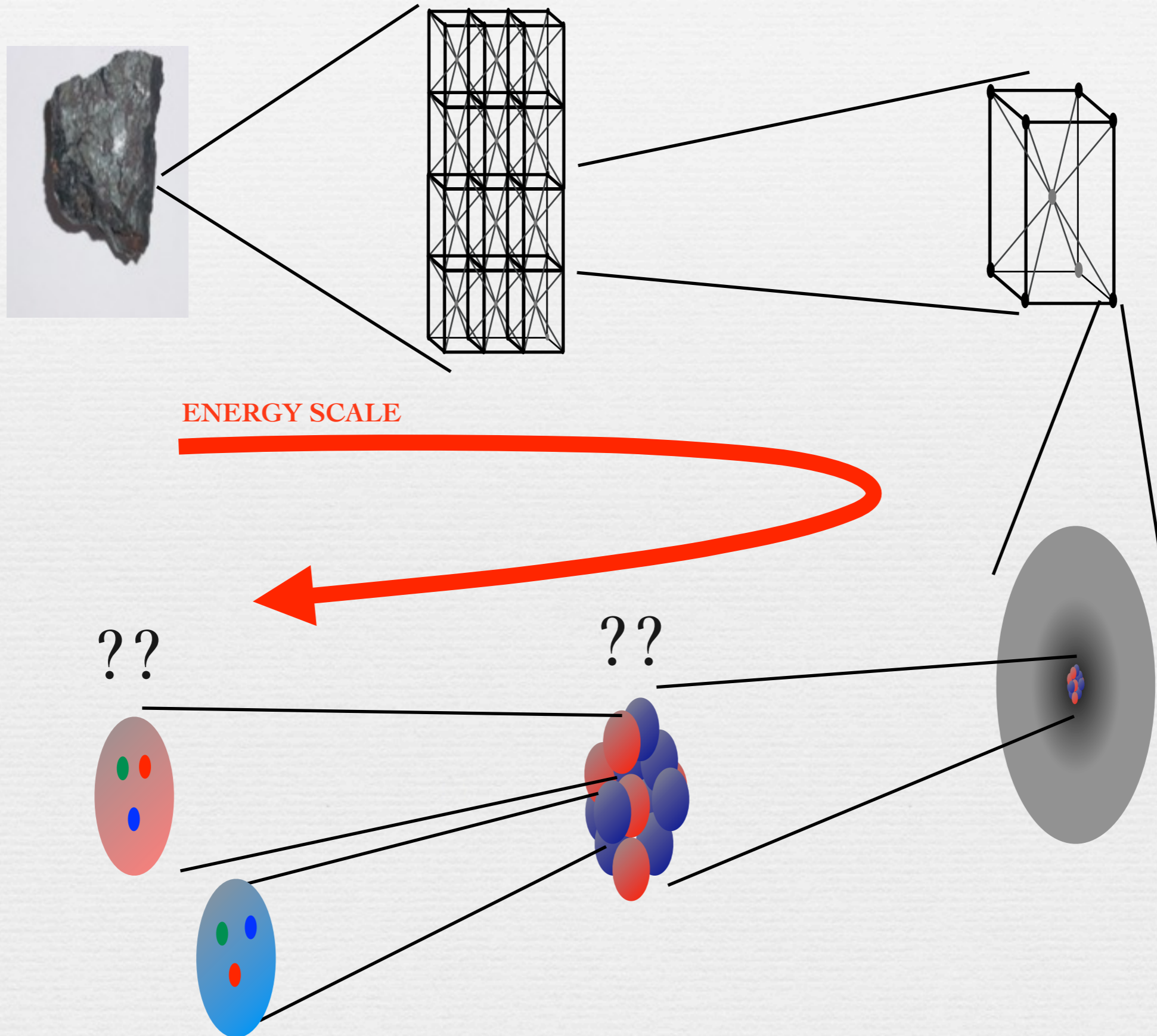
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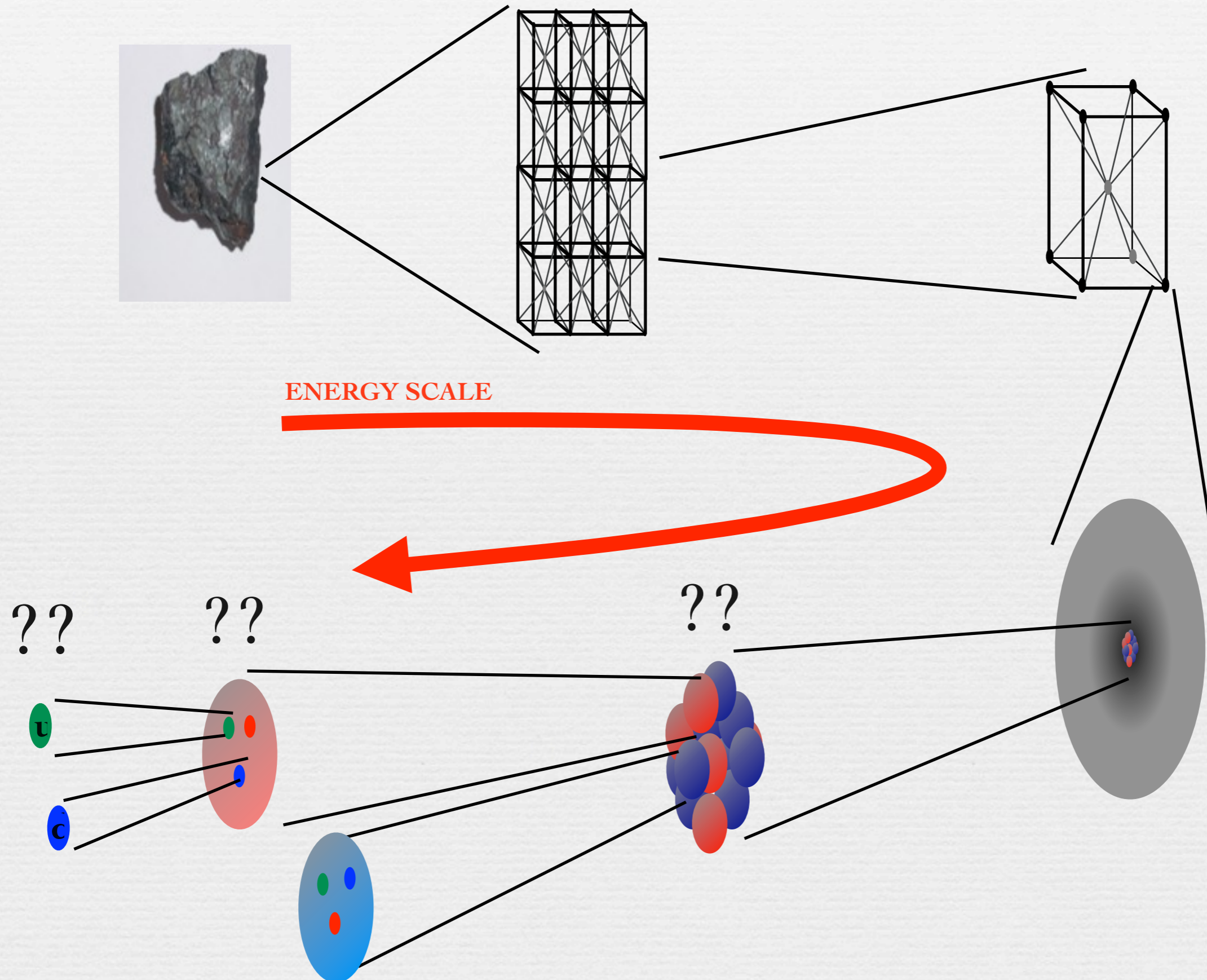
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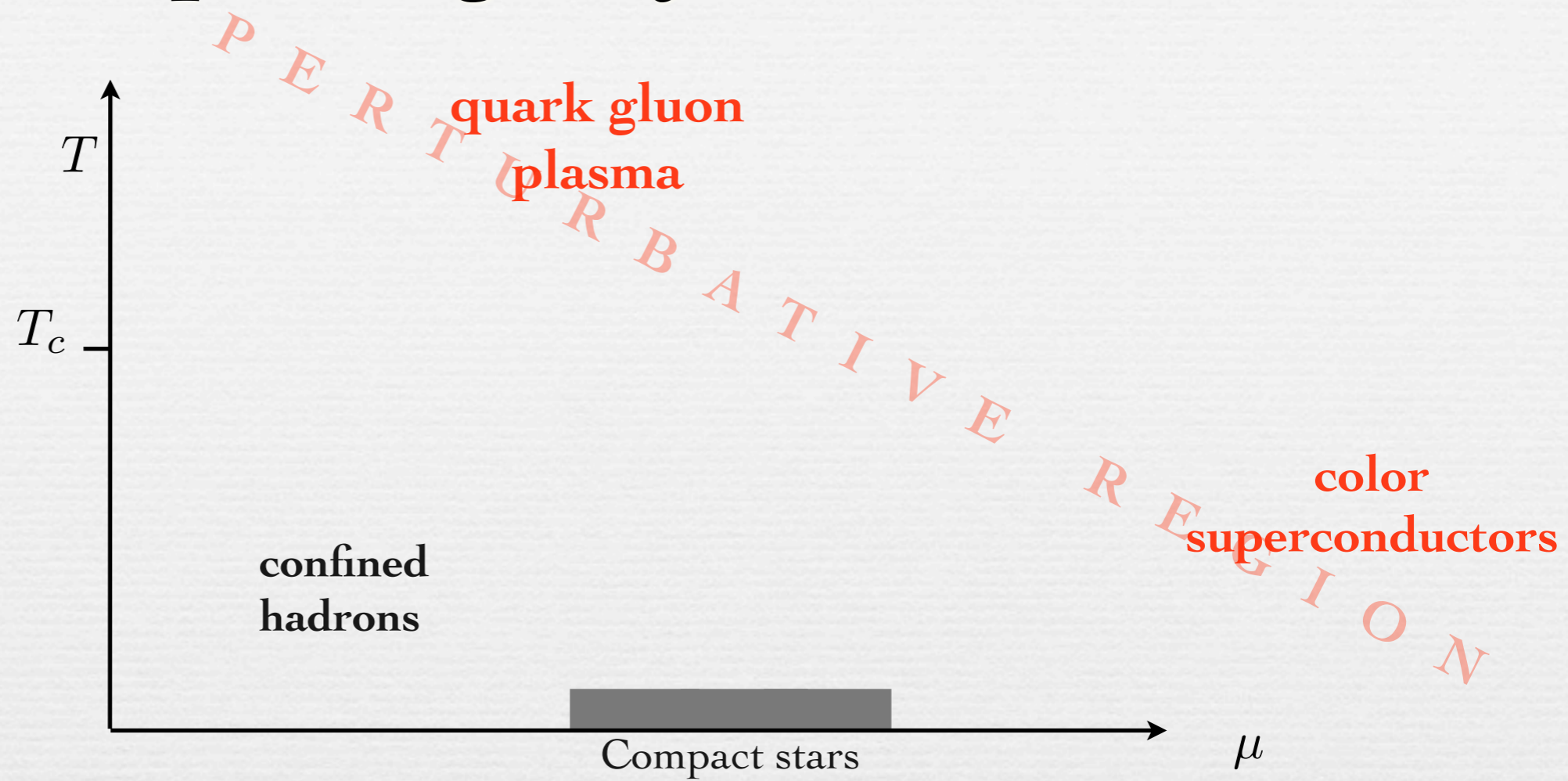


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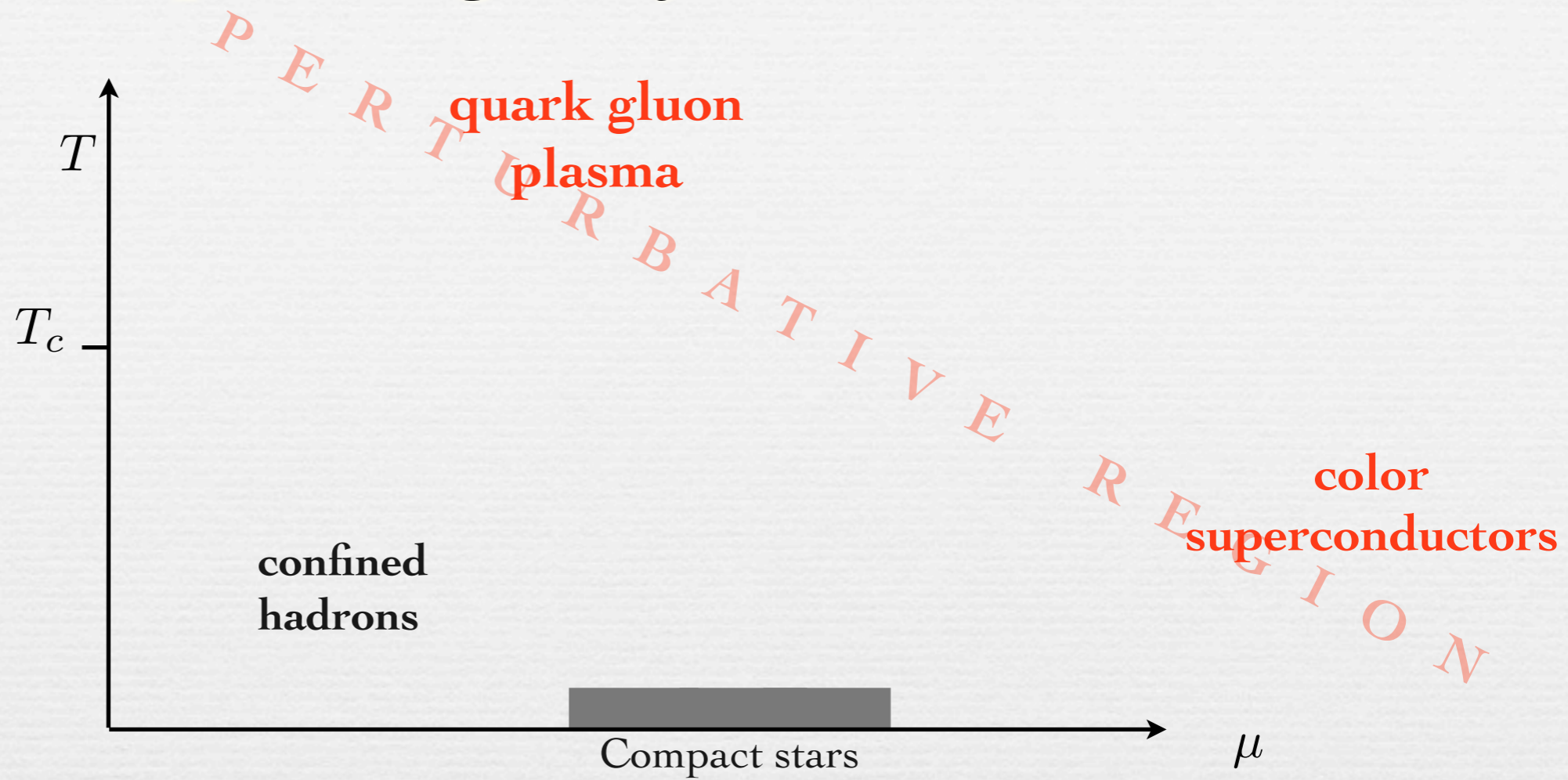
The thermodynamic state

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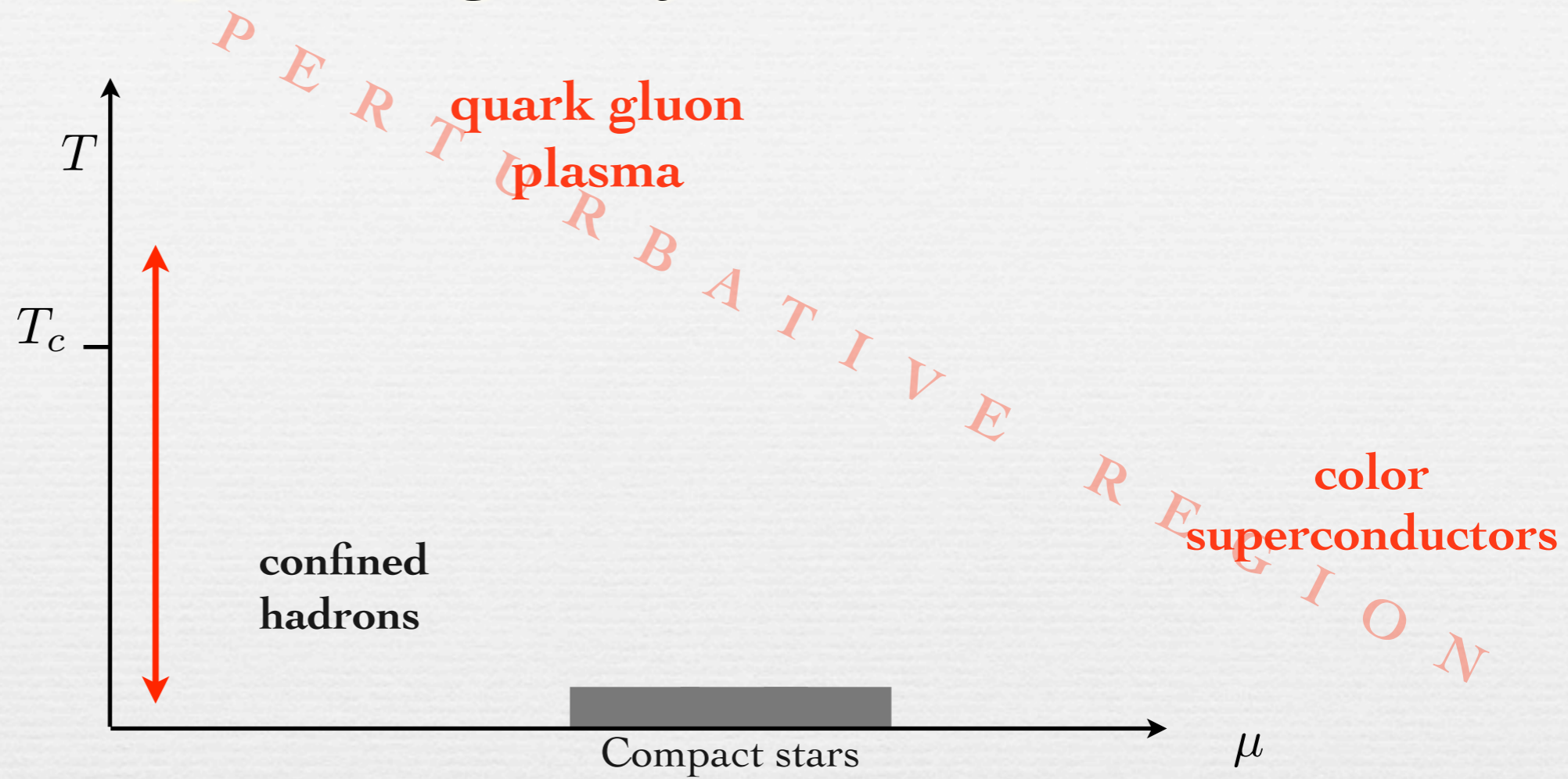
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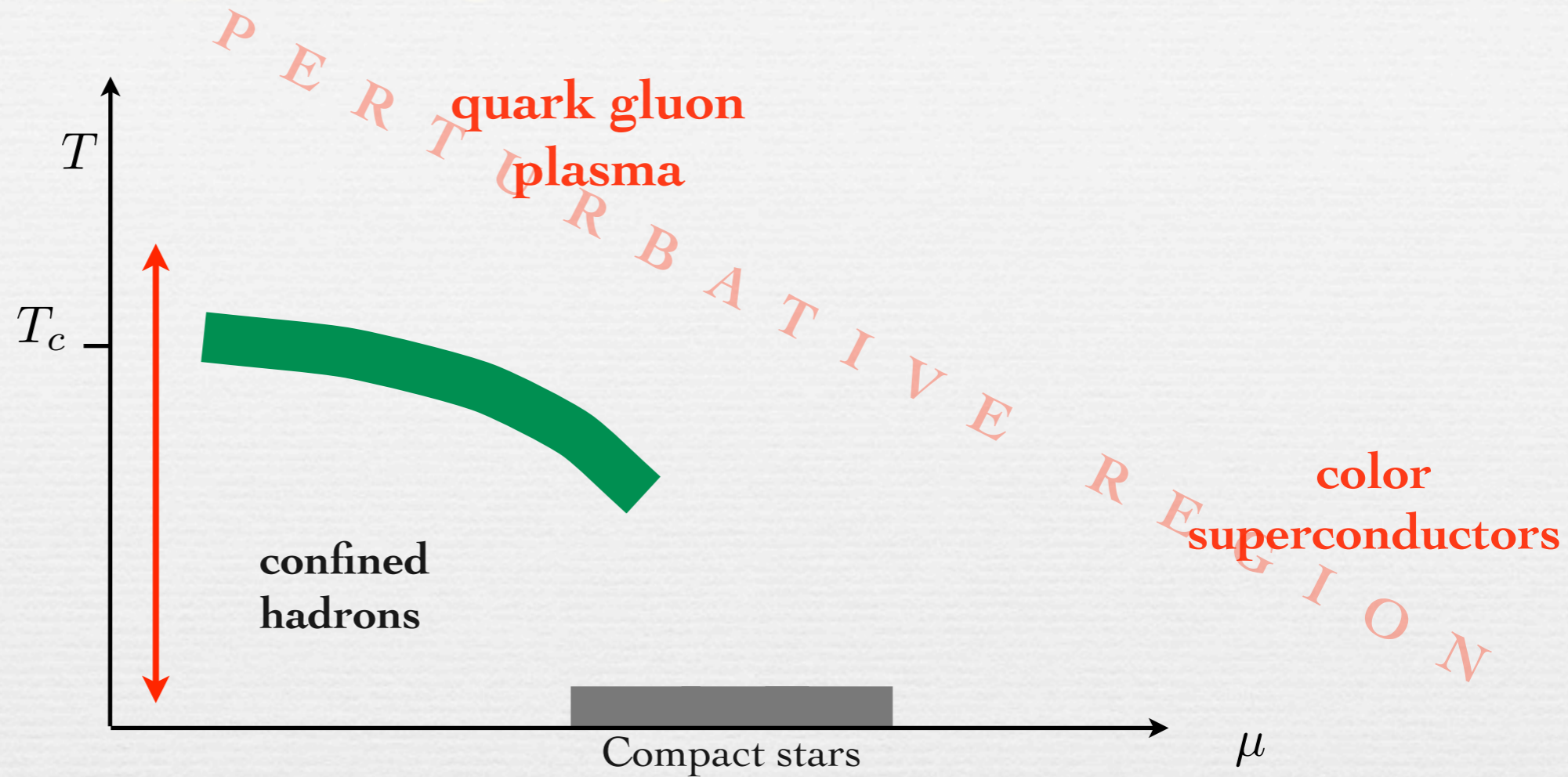


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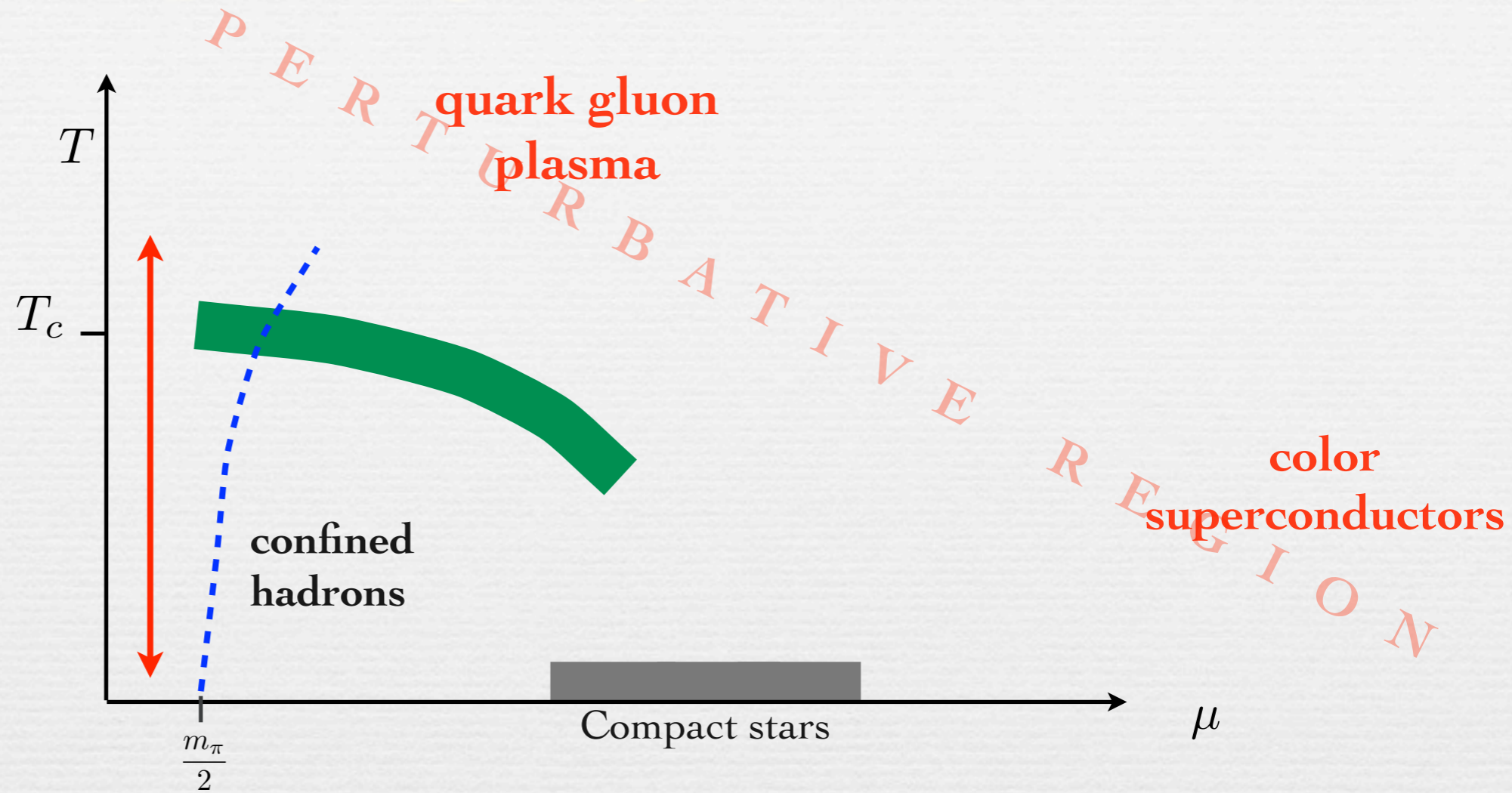
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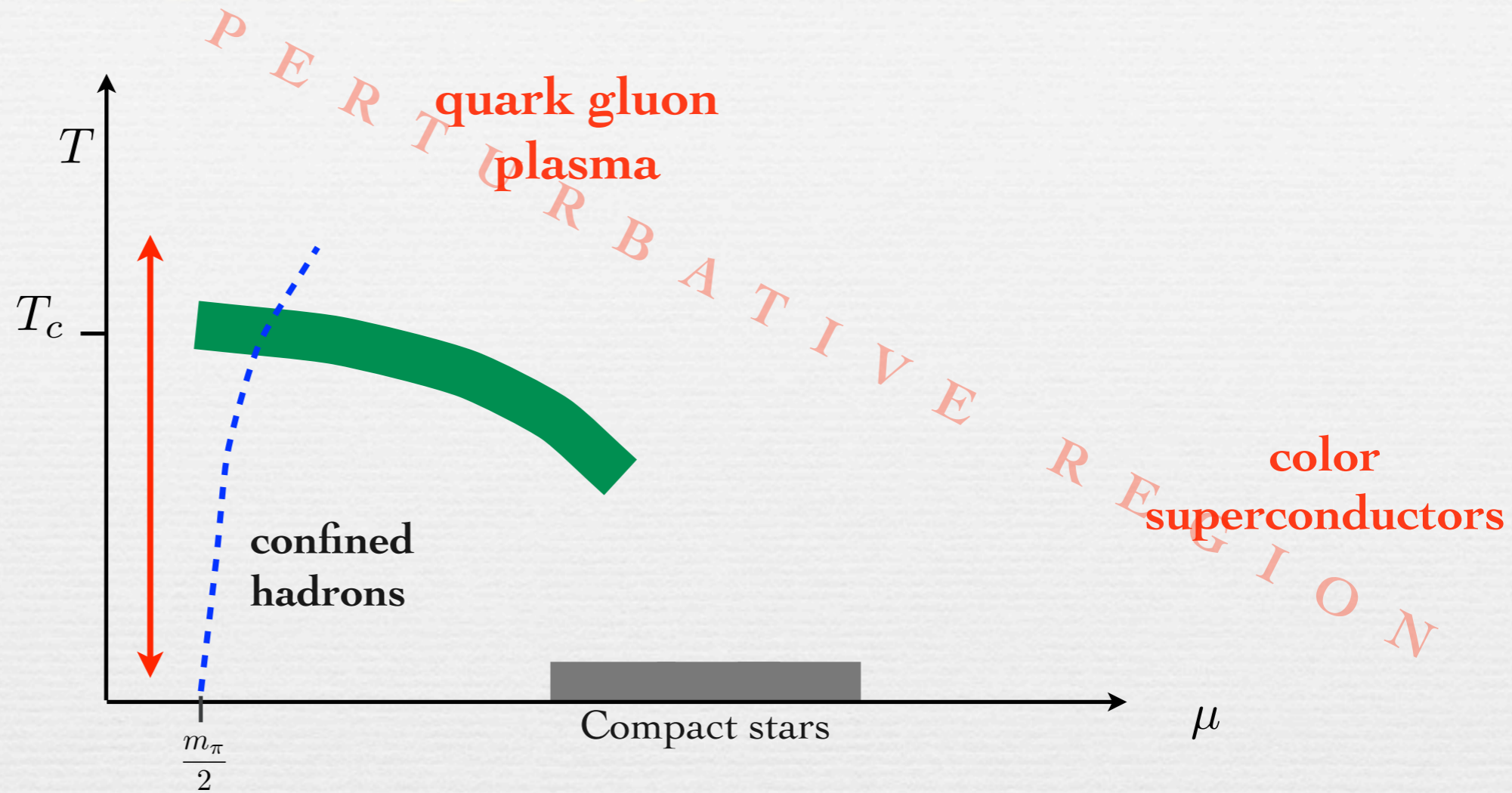
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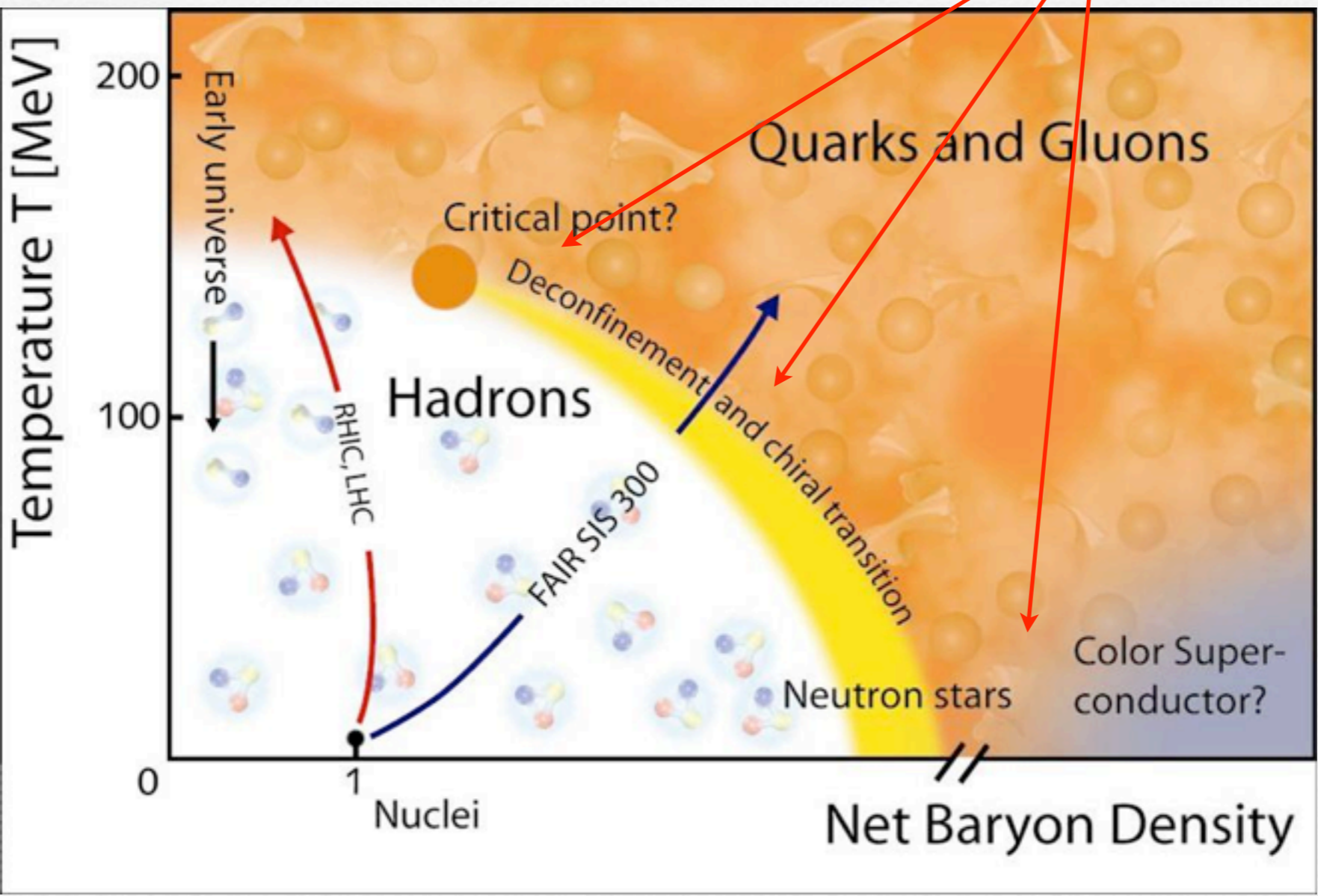
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EMULATION

Ultracold fermionic atoms as tabletop analogous of QCD

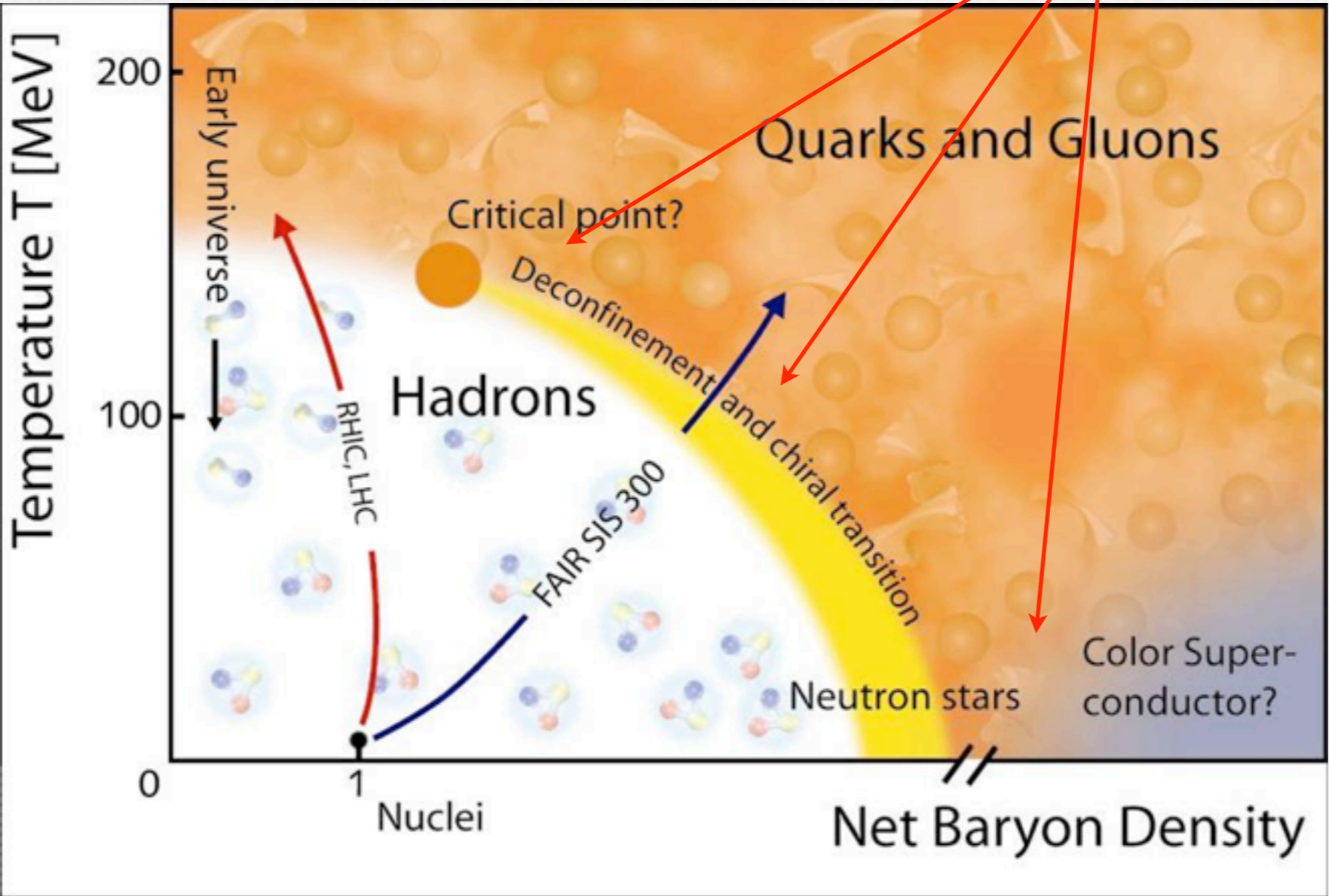
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How do quark and gluons behave at large energy scales?
Where is the Color Glass Condensate?

CONDENSATES

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The condensation results in a spontaneous symmetry breaking of some global or local symmetry

Example: the number of particles of a certain type

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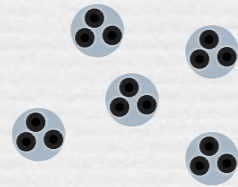
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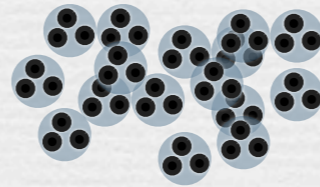
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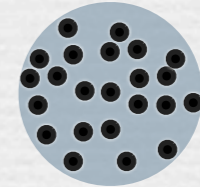
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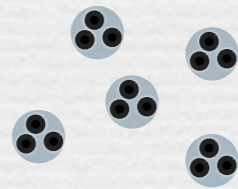
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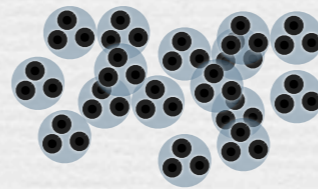
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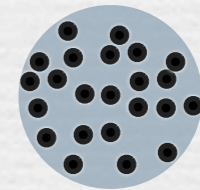


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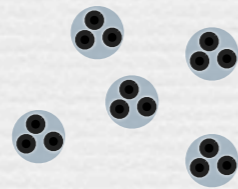
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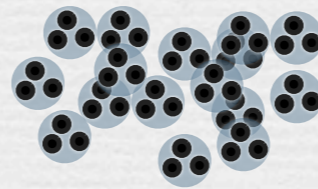
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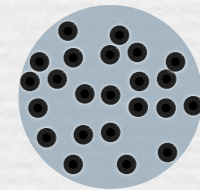


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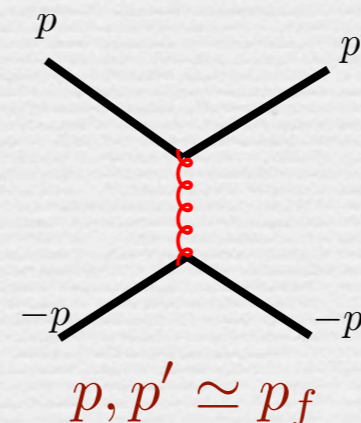


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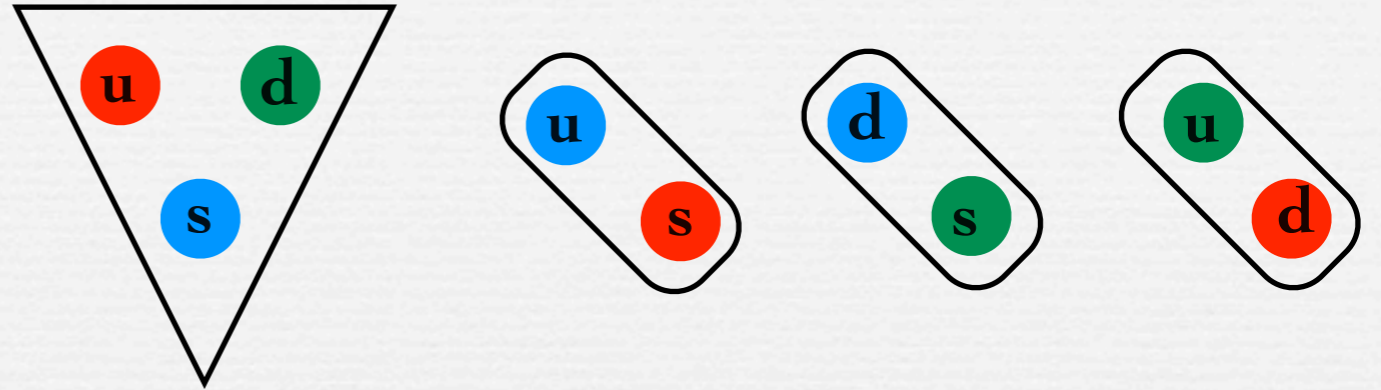


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Attractive interaction between quarks for example by a gluon exchange



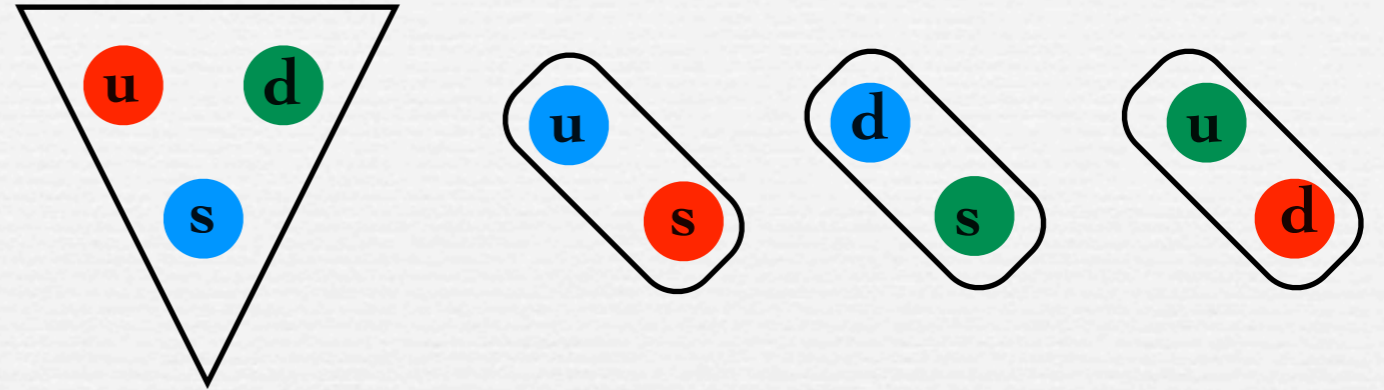
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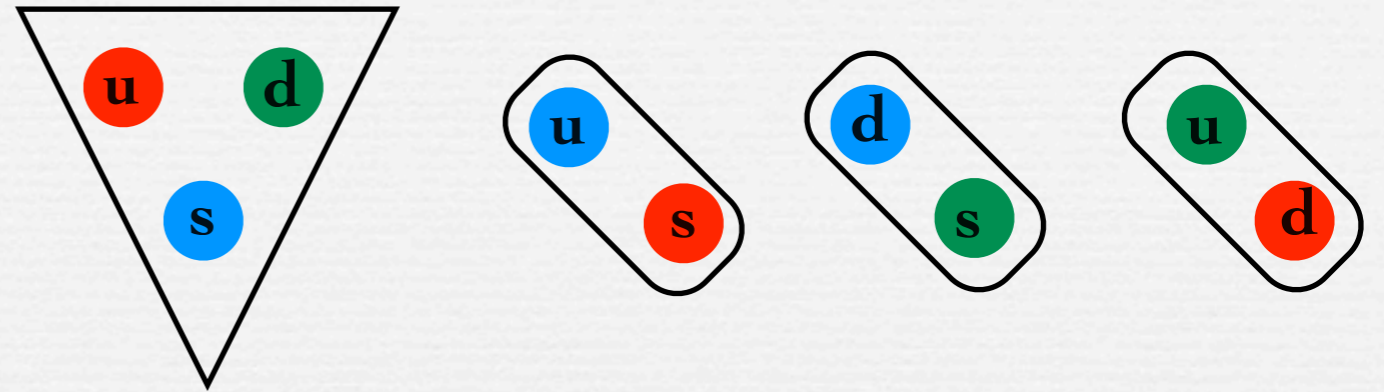
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In compact stars the condition may favor inhomogeneous condensates

R. Anglani, R. Casalbuoni, M. Ciminale, R. Gatto, N. Ippolito, M.M., M. Ruggieri. arXiv:1302.4264 soon on RMP

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Glueballs and gluon condensates should not be confused with the “color glass condensate”

The kinematic state of the observer

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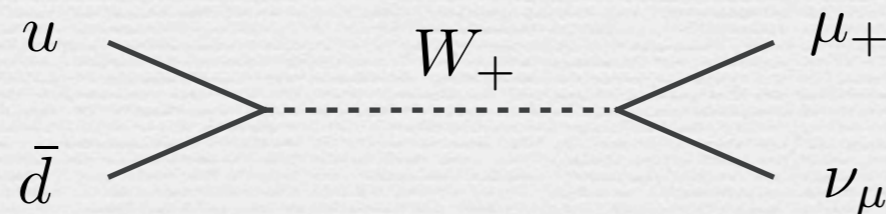
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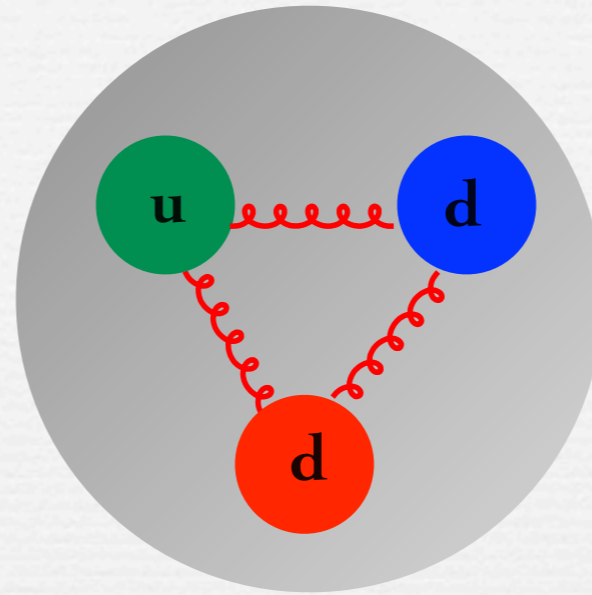


$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{\tau} \propto G_F^2$$

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NUCLEON REST FRAME



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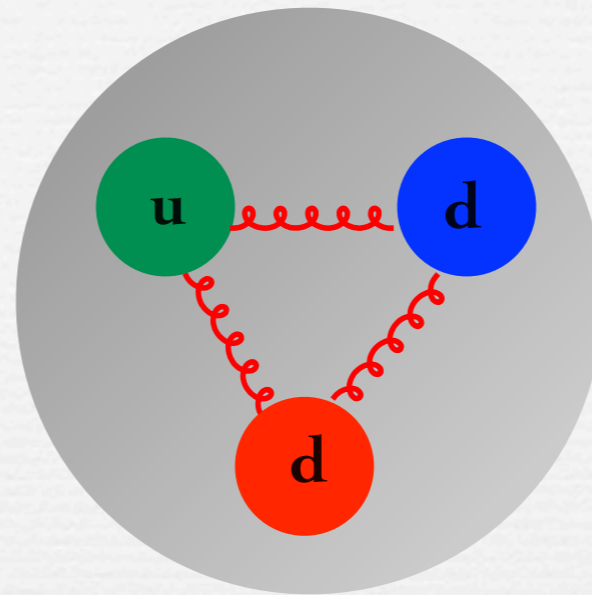
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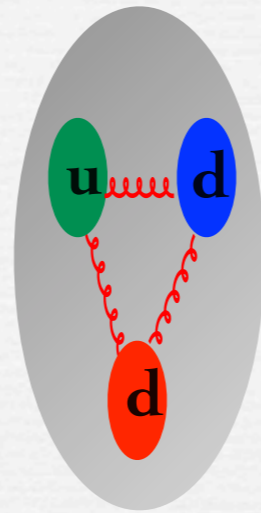
$$m_u \simeq m_d \simeq 5 \text{ MeV}$$

$$M_p \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}$$

A nucleon is a confined state of quarks and gluons

- **We cannot break a nucleon in a lighter object.**
It does not matter how large is the energy of a particle that hits a nucleon, in the final state there will always be a nucleon

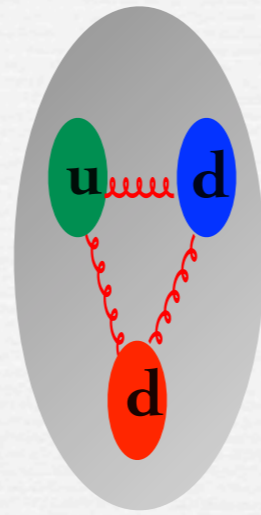
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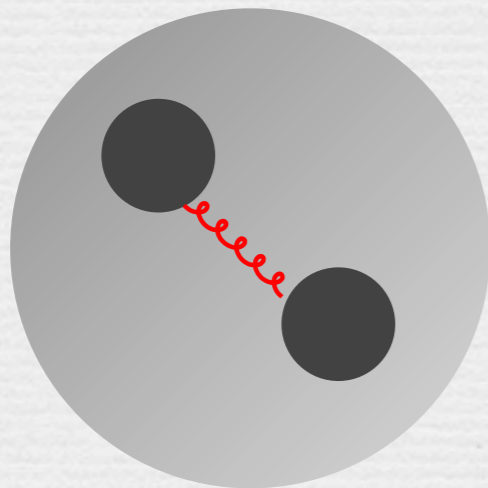
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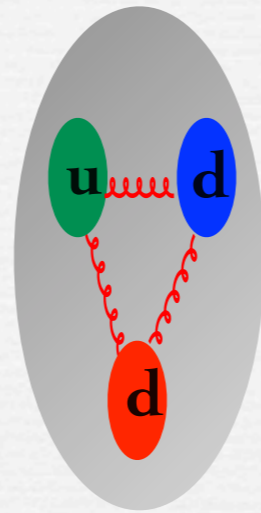
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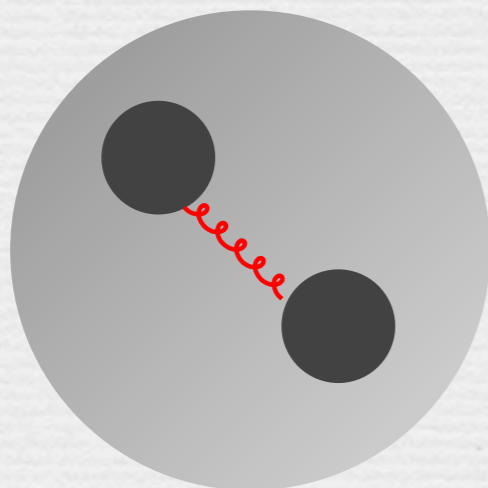
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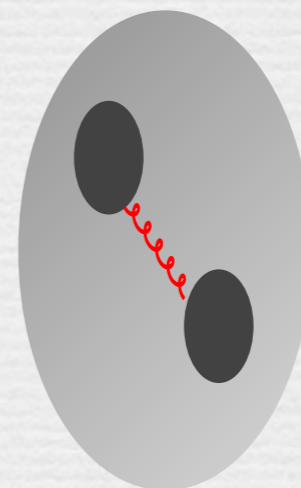
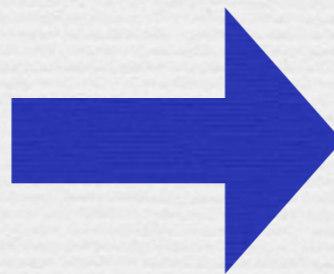
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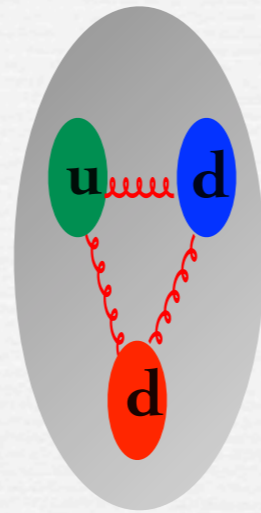
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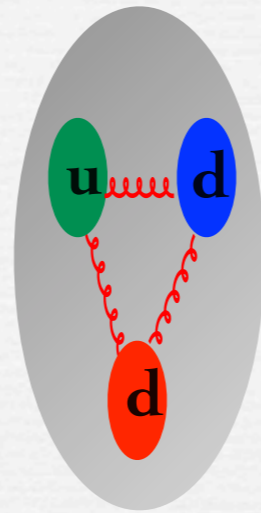
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Let me further simplify the description considering **one single harmonic oscillator**



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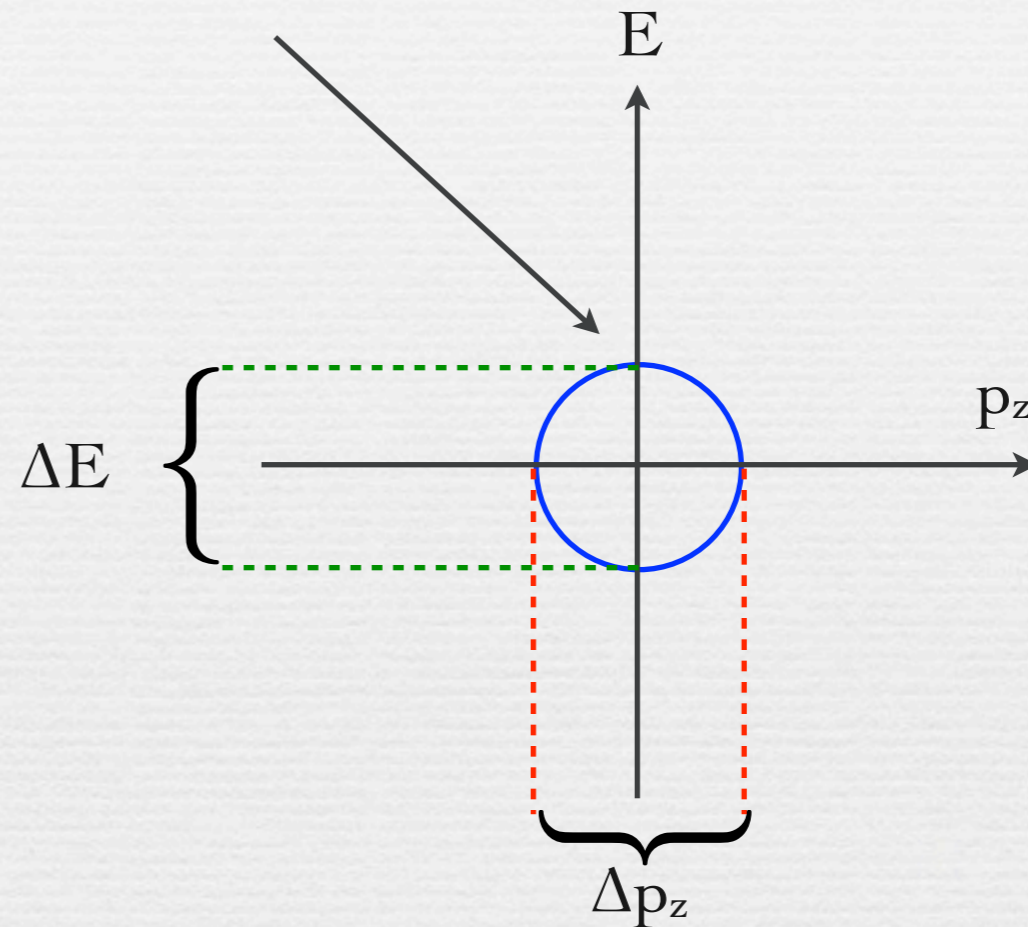
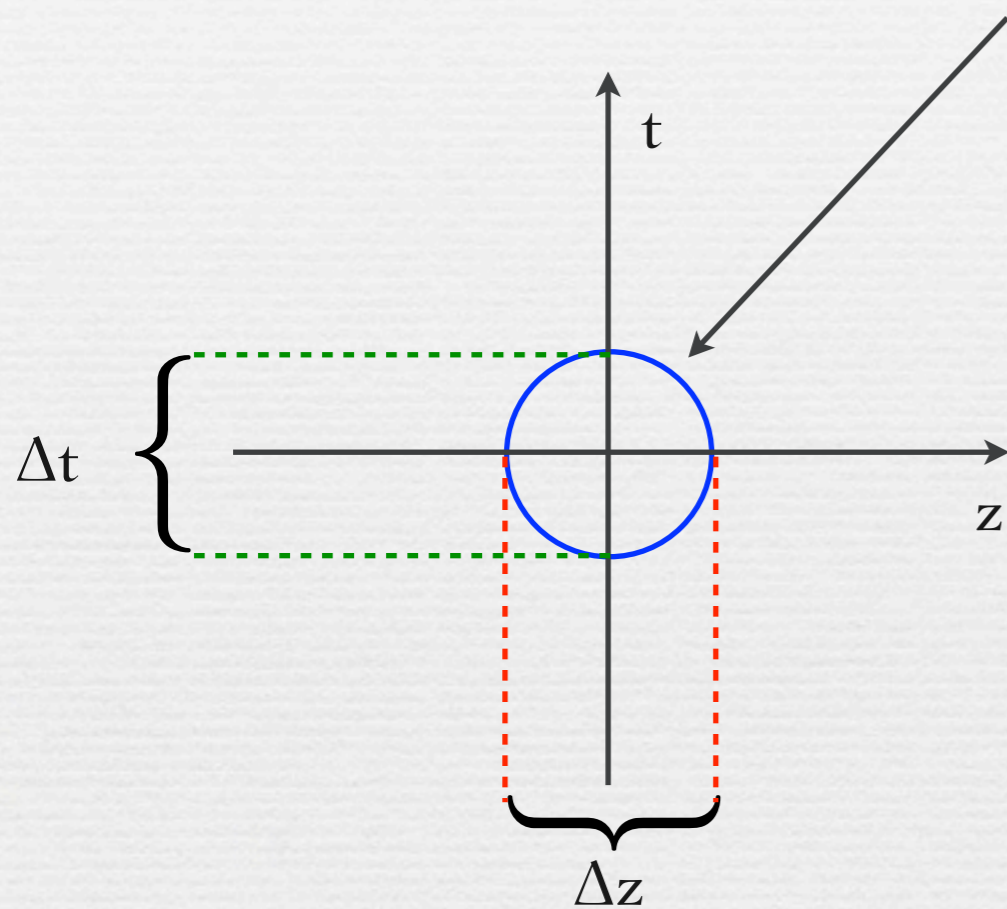
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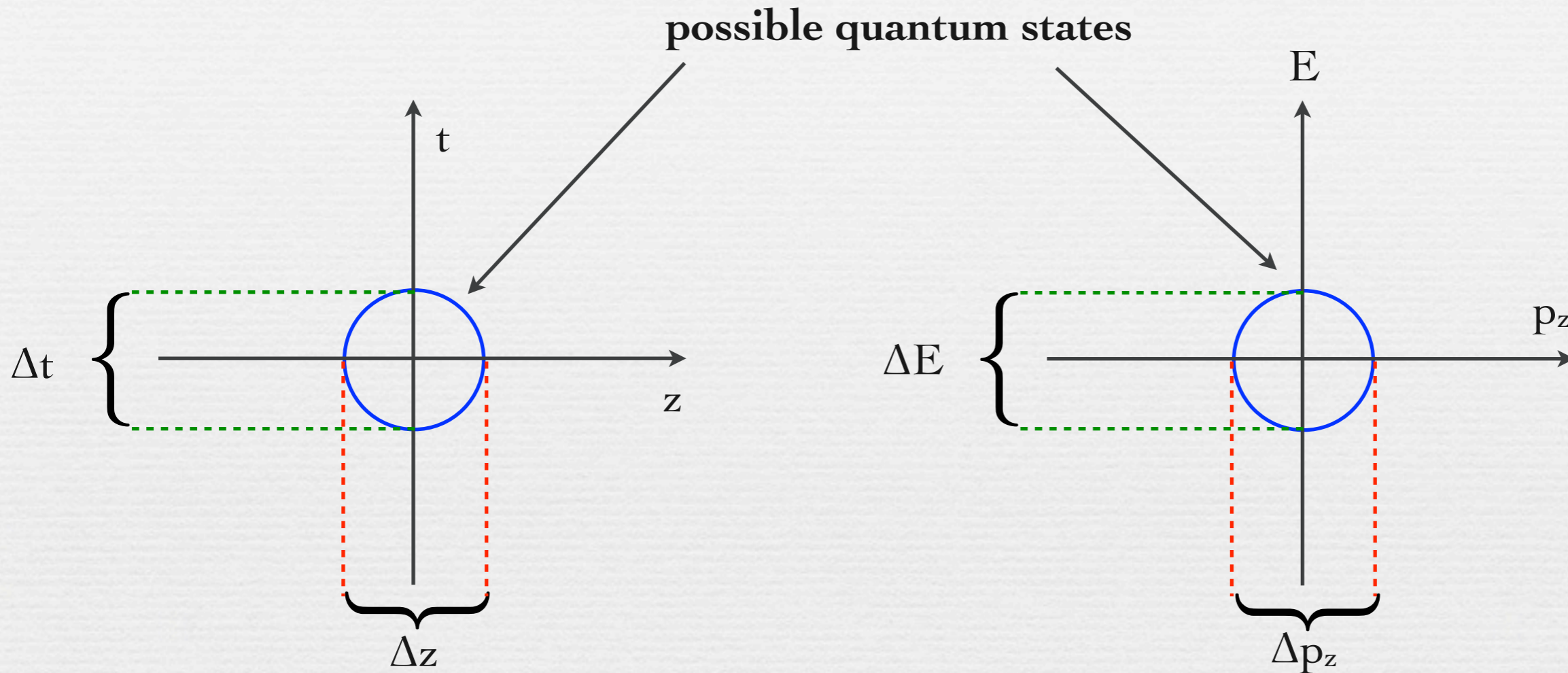


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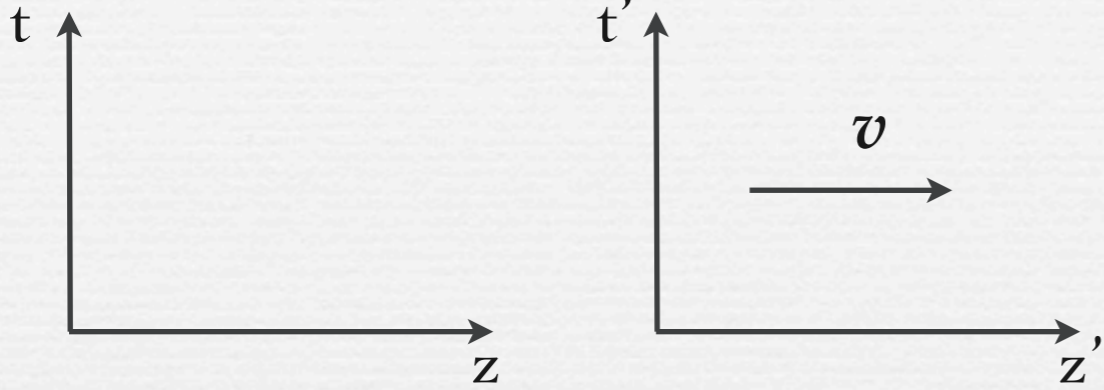


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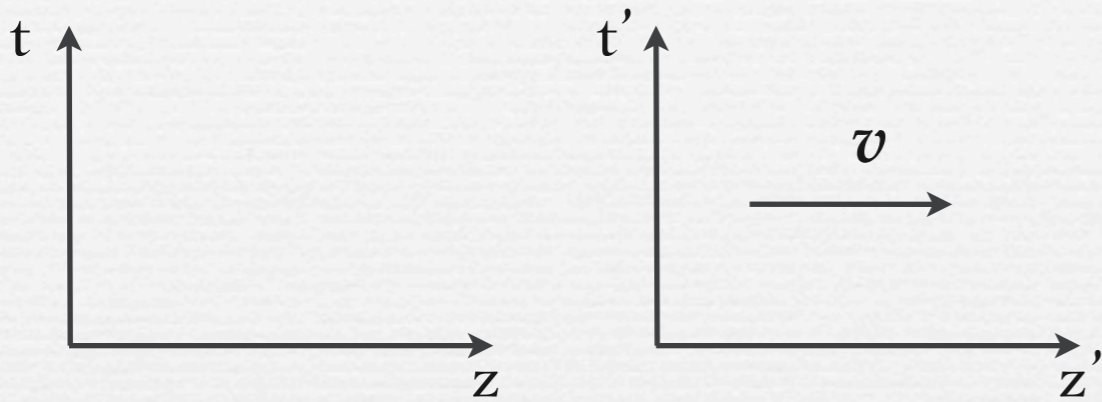
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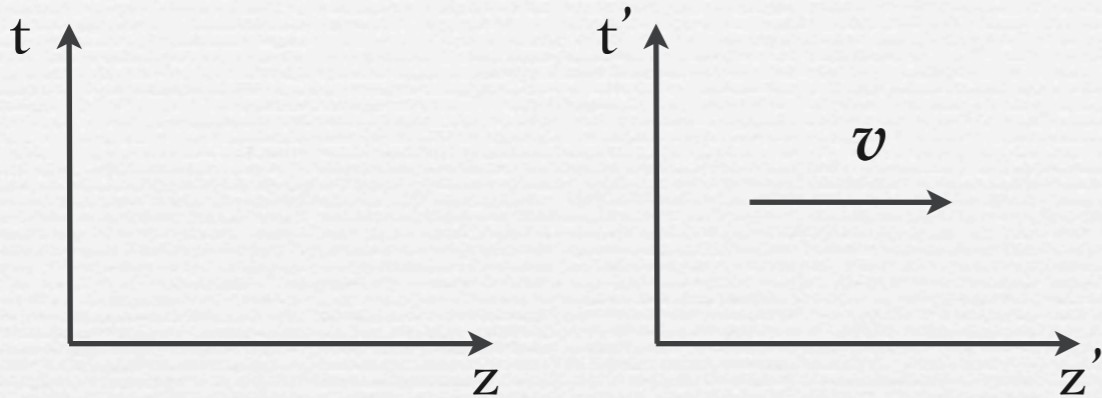
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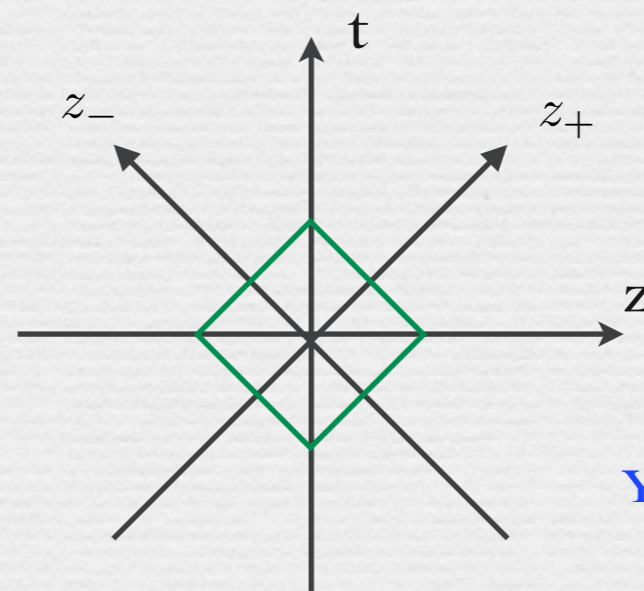
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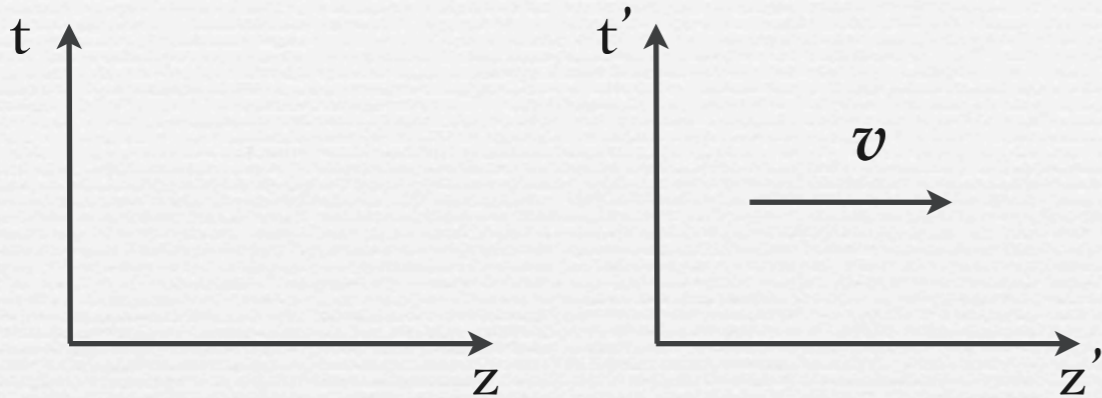
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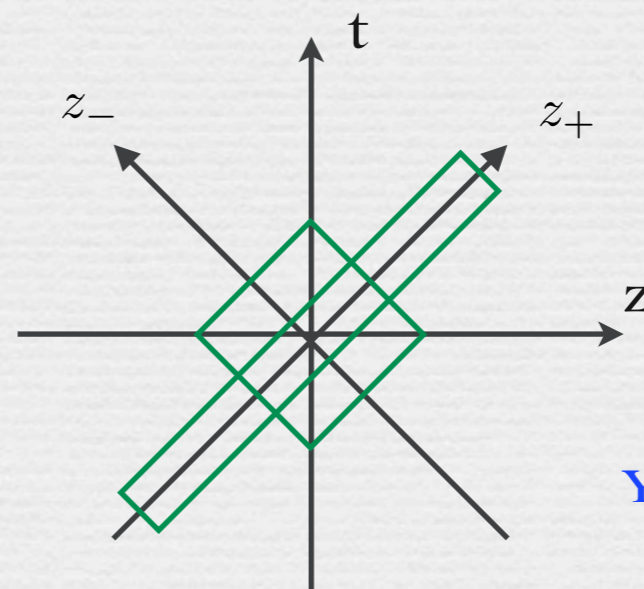
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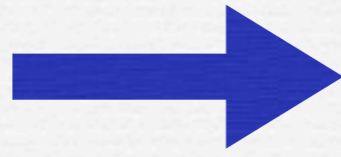
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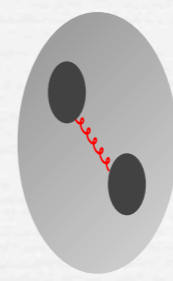
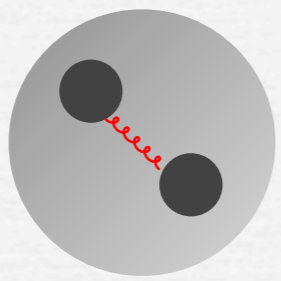
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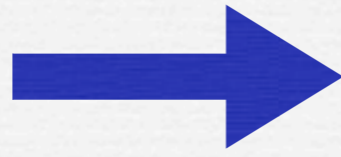


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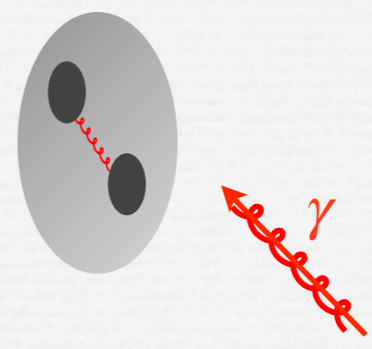
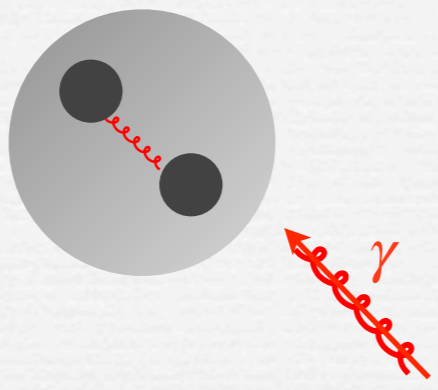


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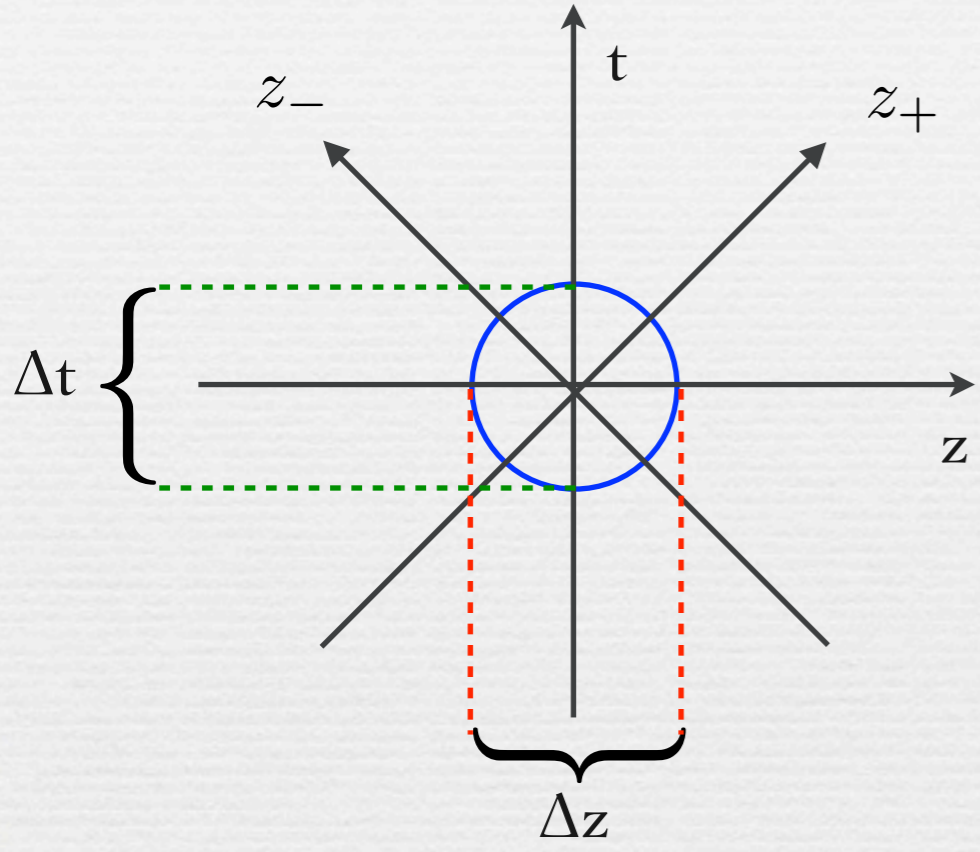
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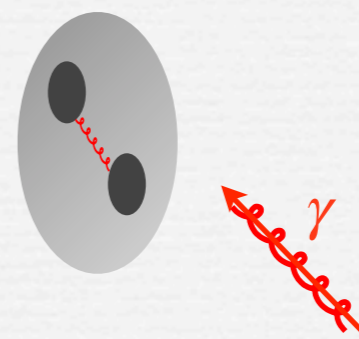
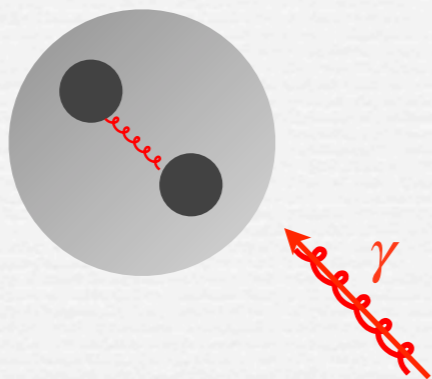
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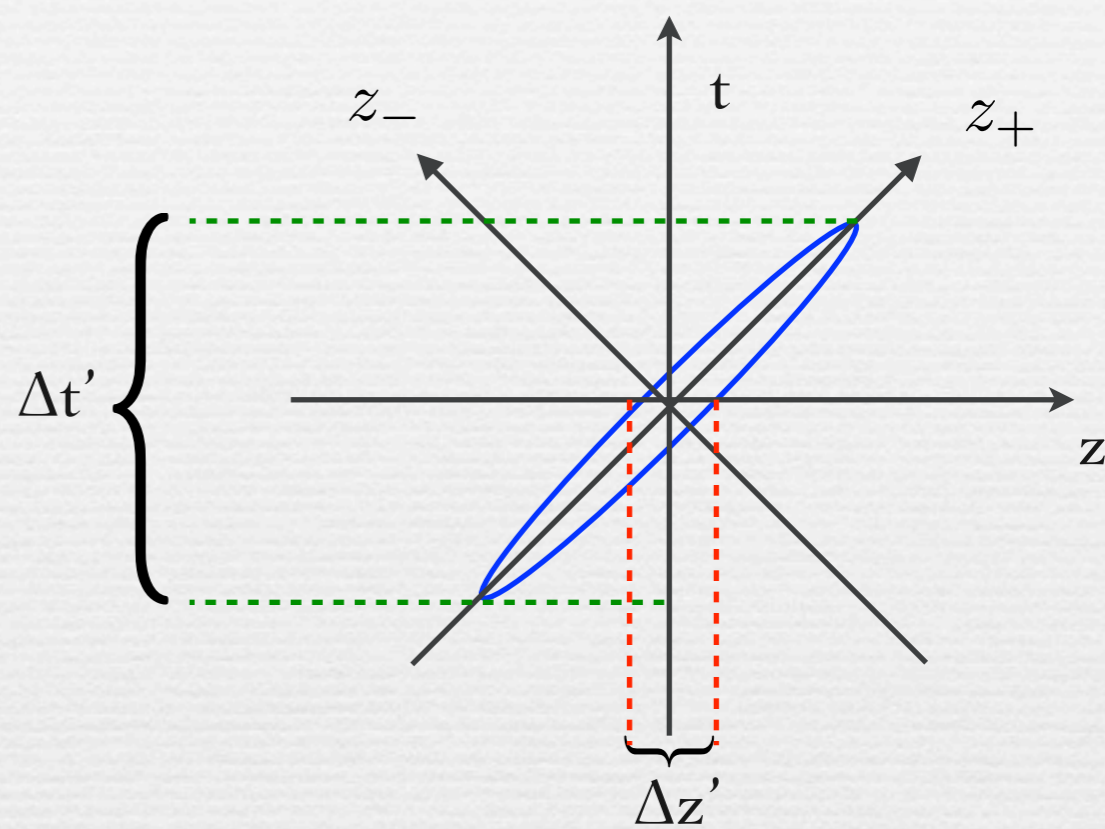
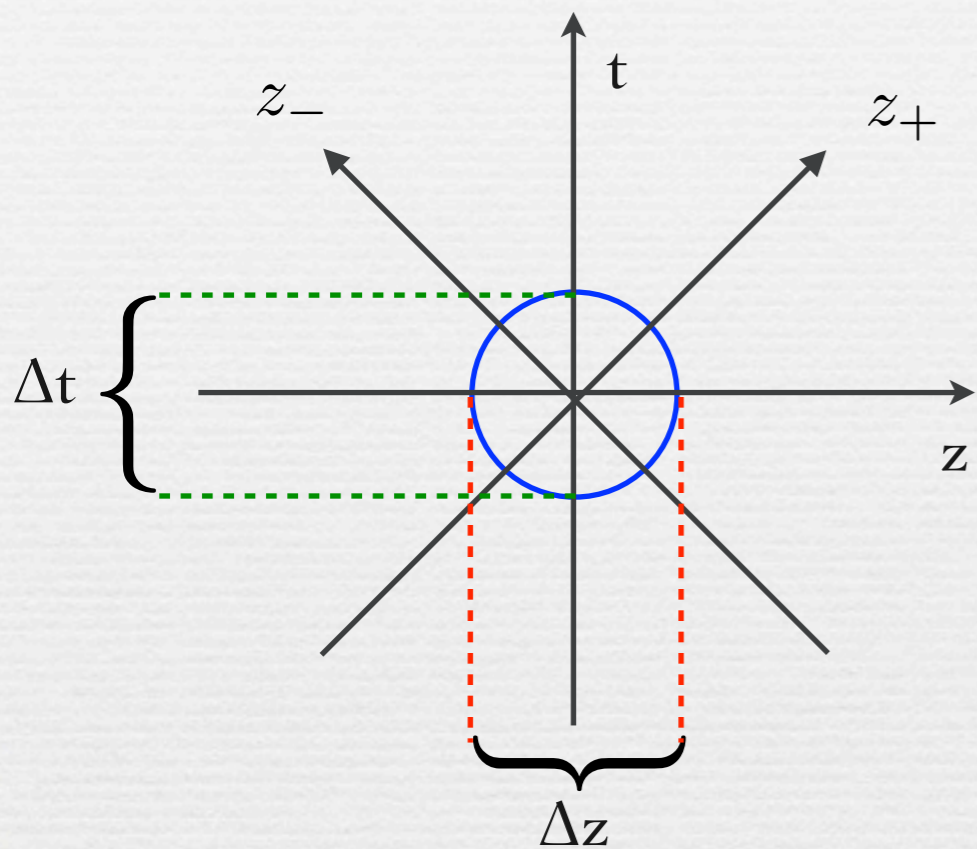
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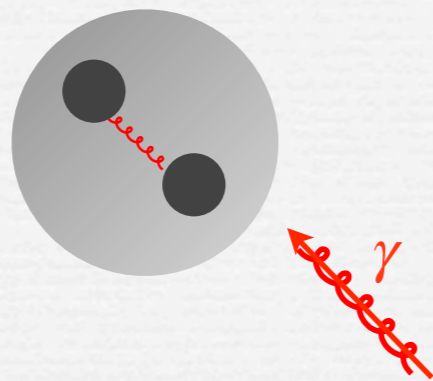
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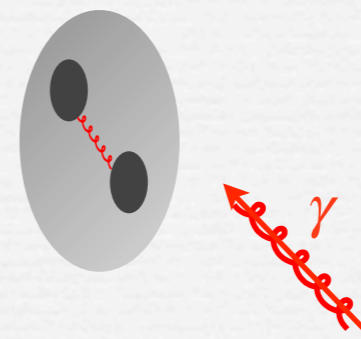
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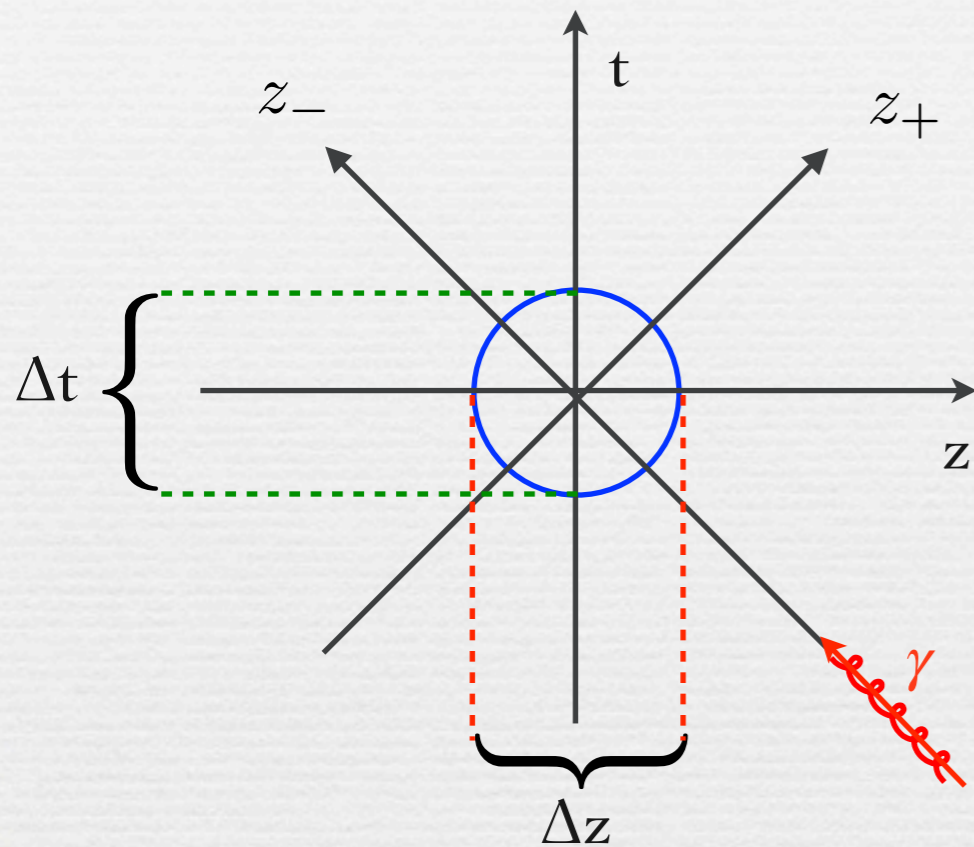
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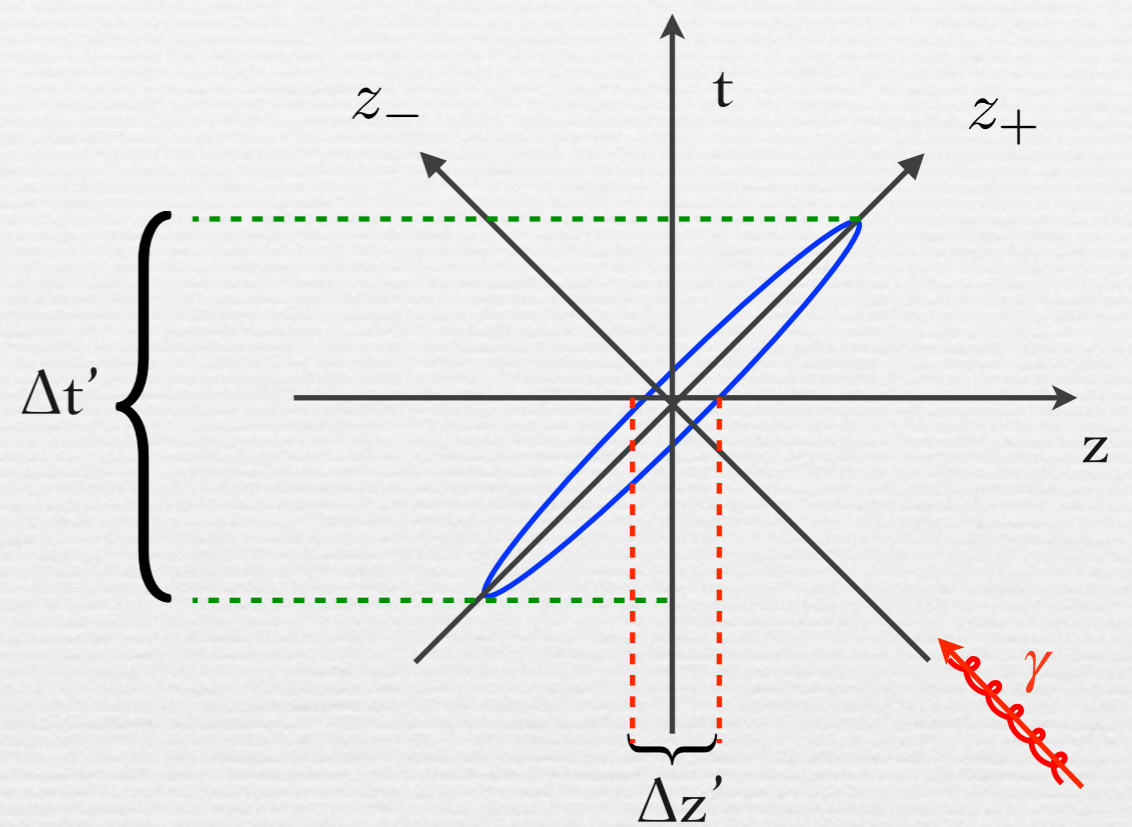
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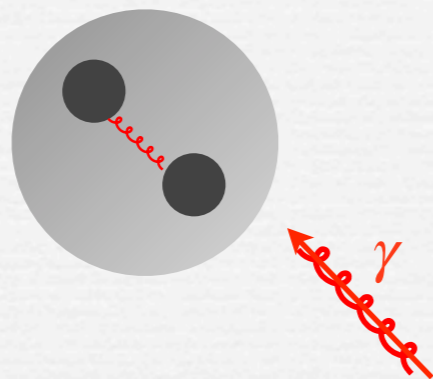
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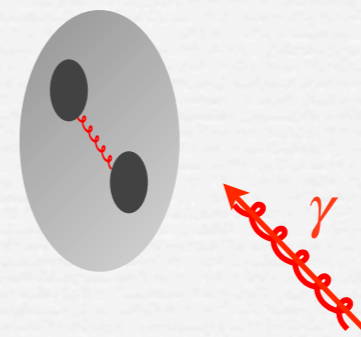
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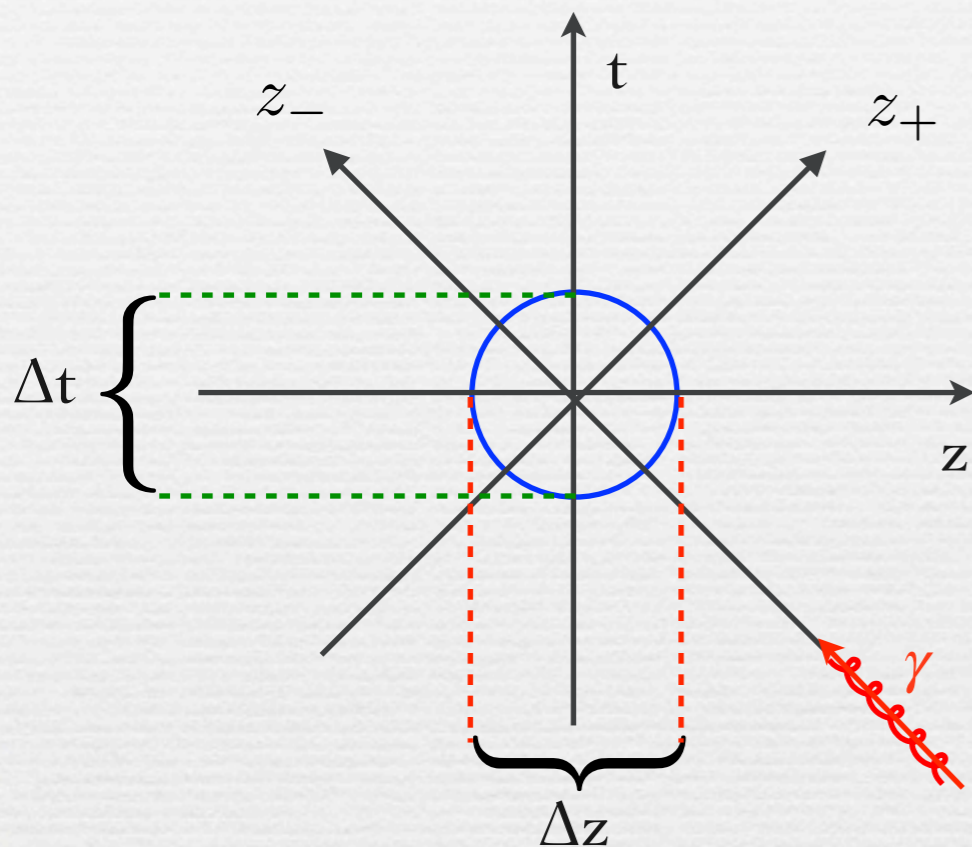
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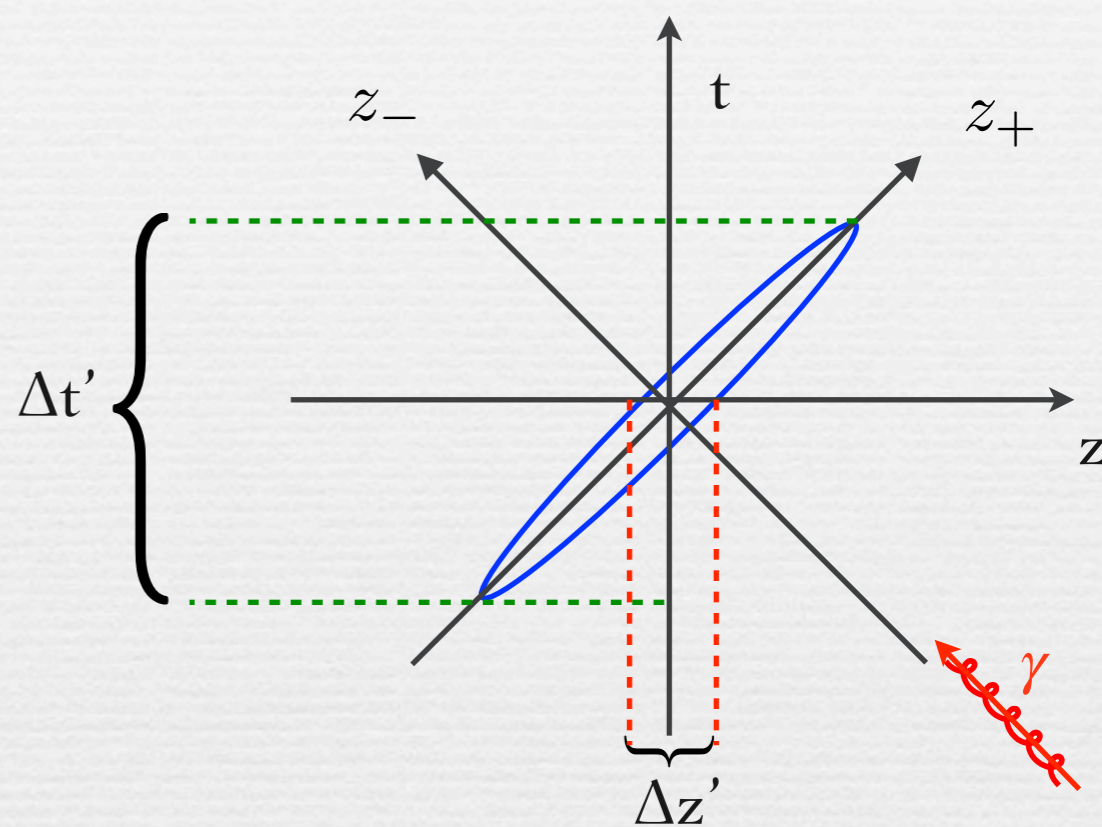
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SATURATION AND “COLOR GLASSES”

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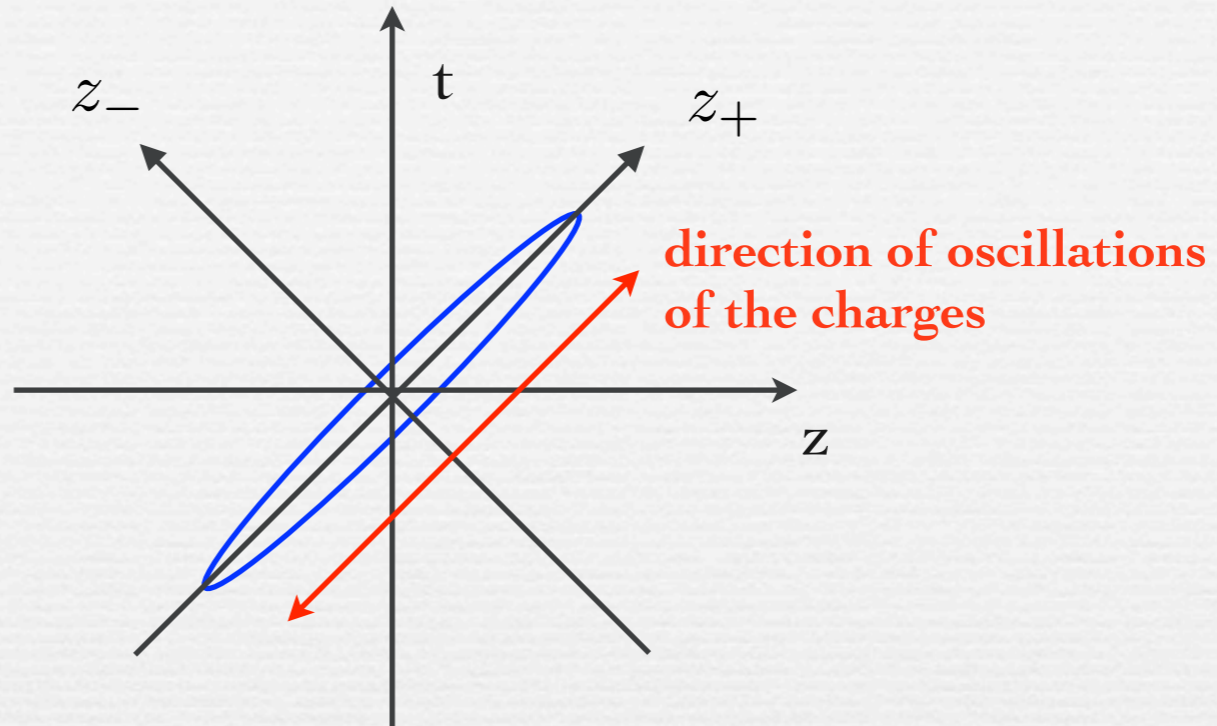
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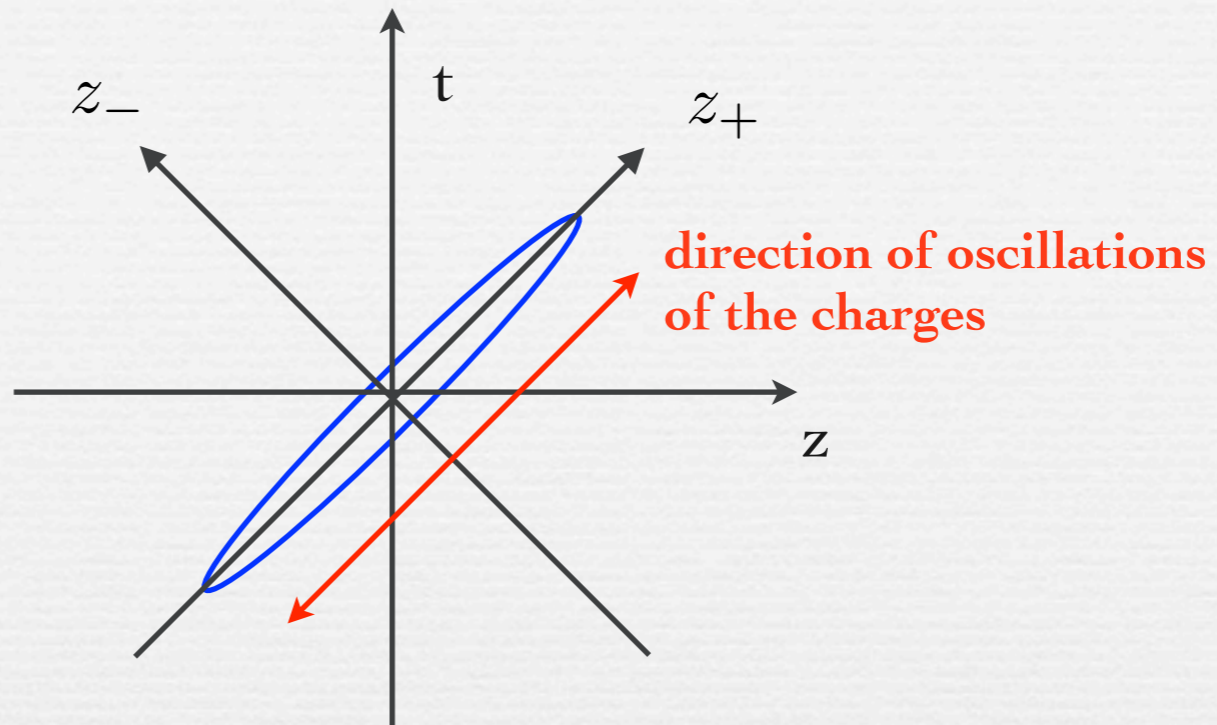
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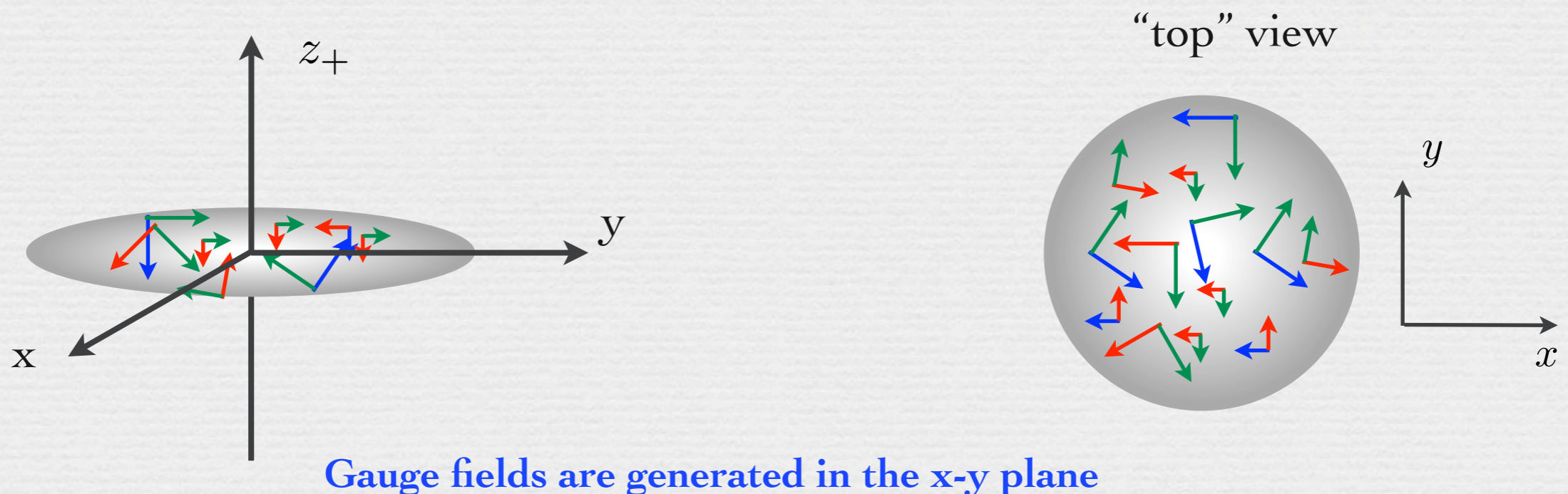
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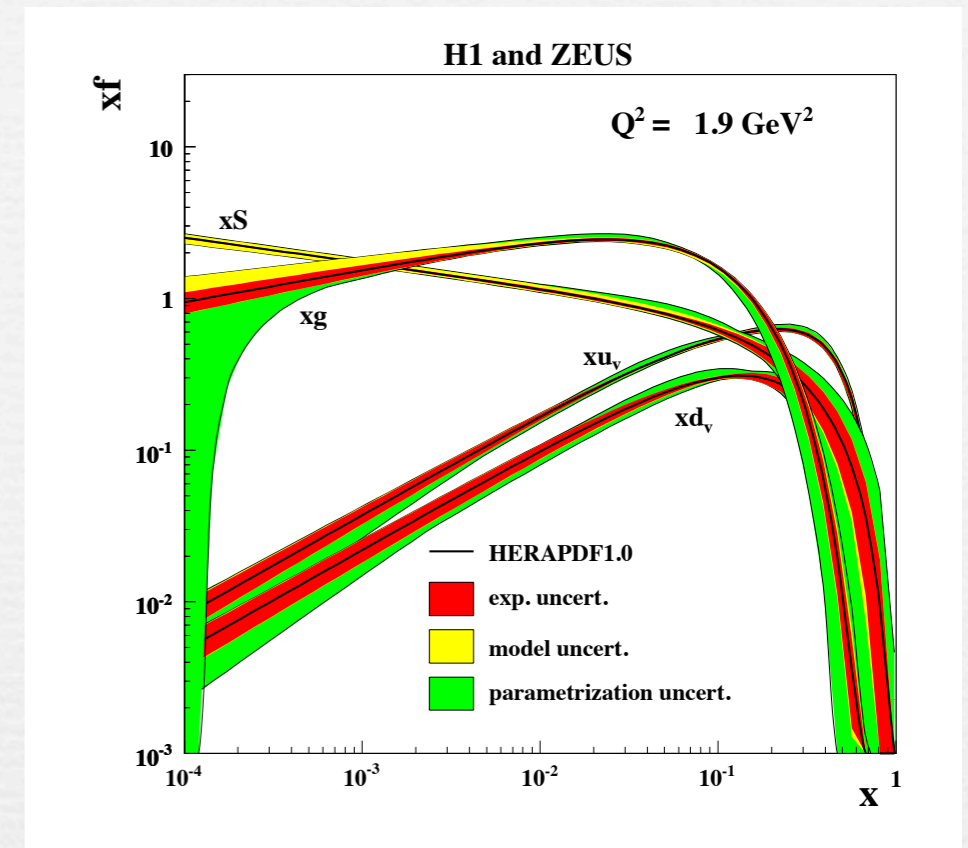
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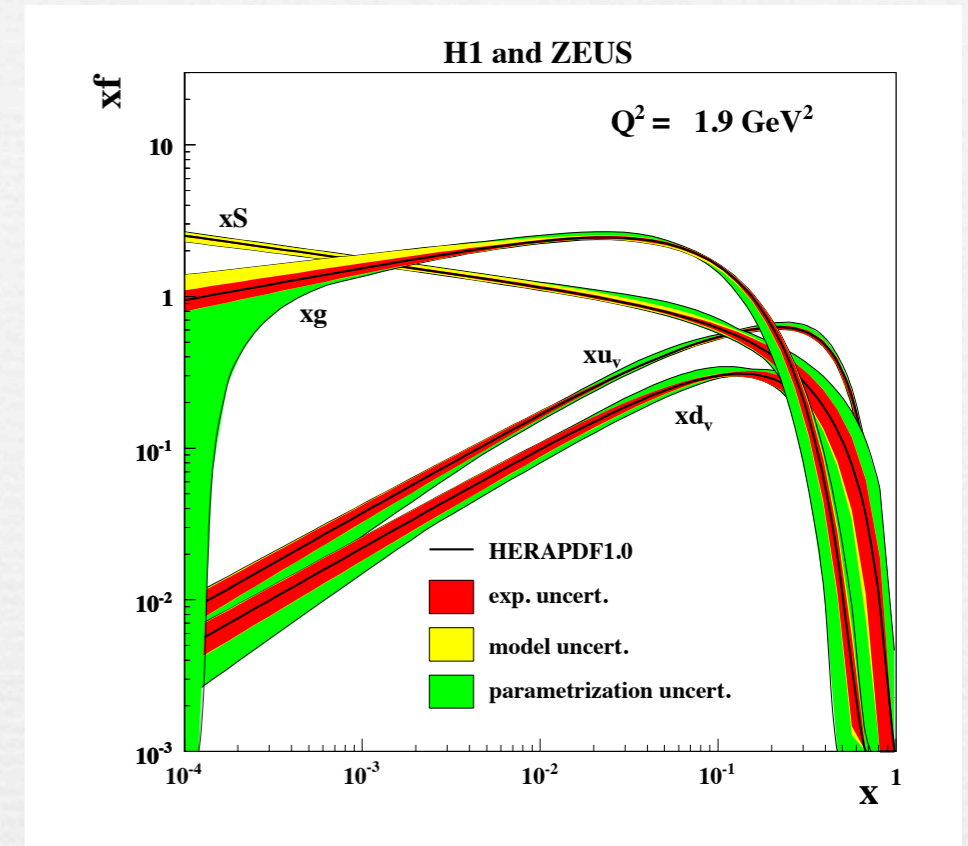
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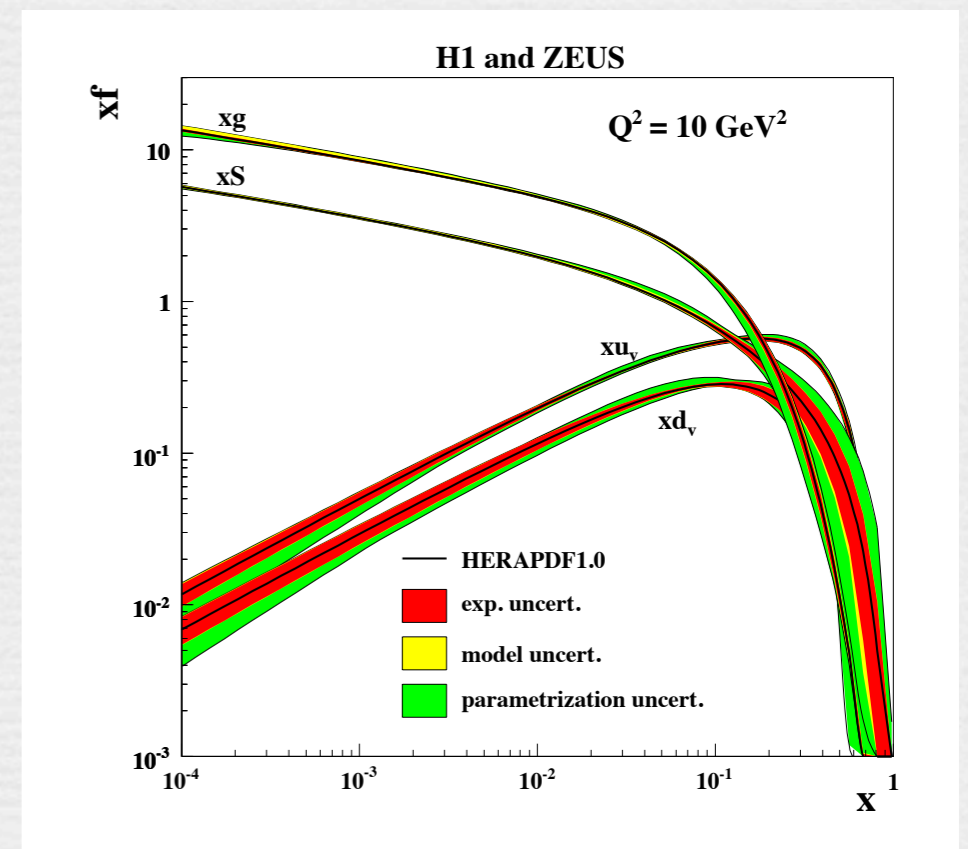
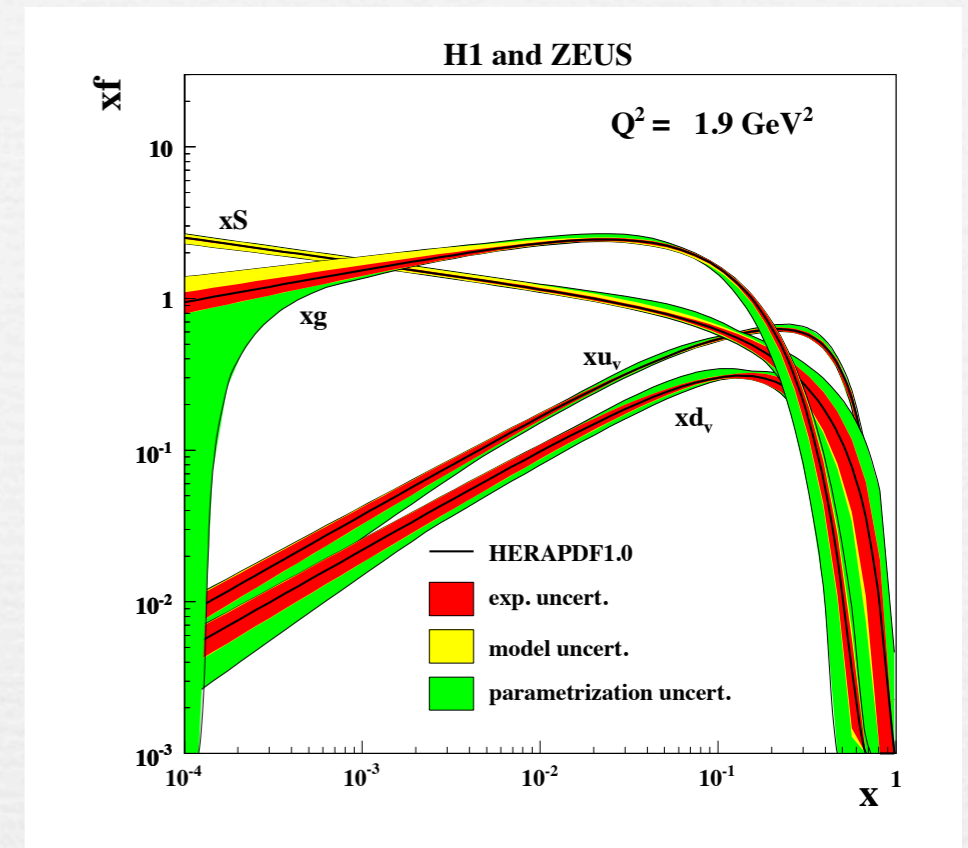
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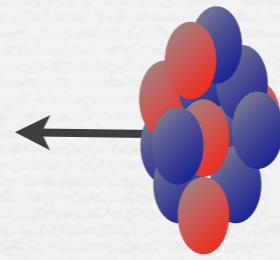
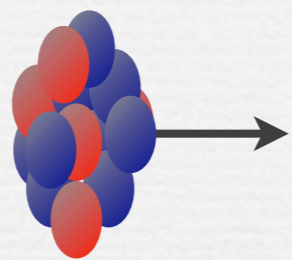
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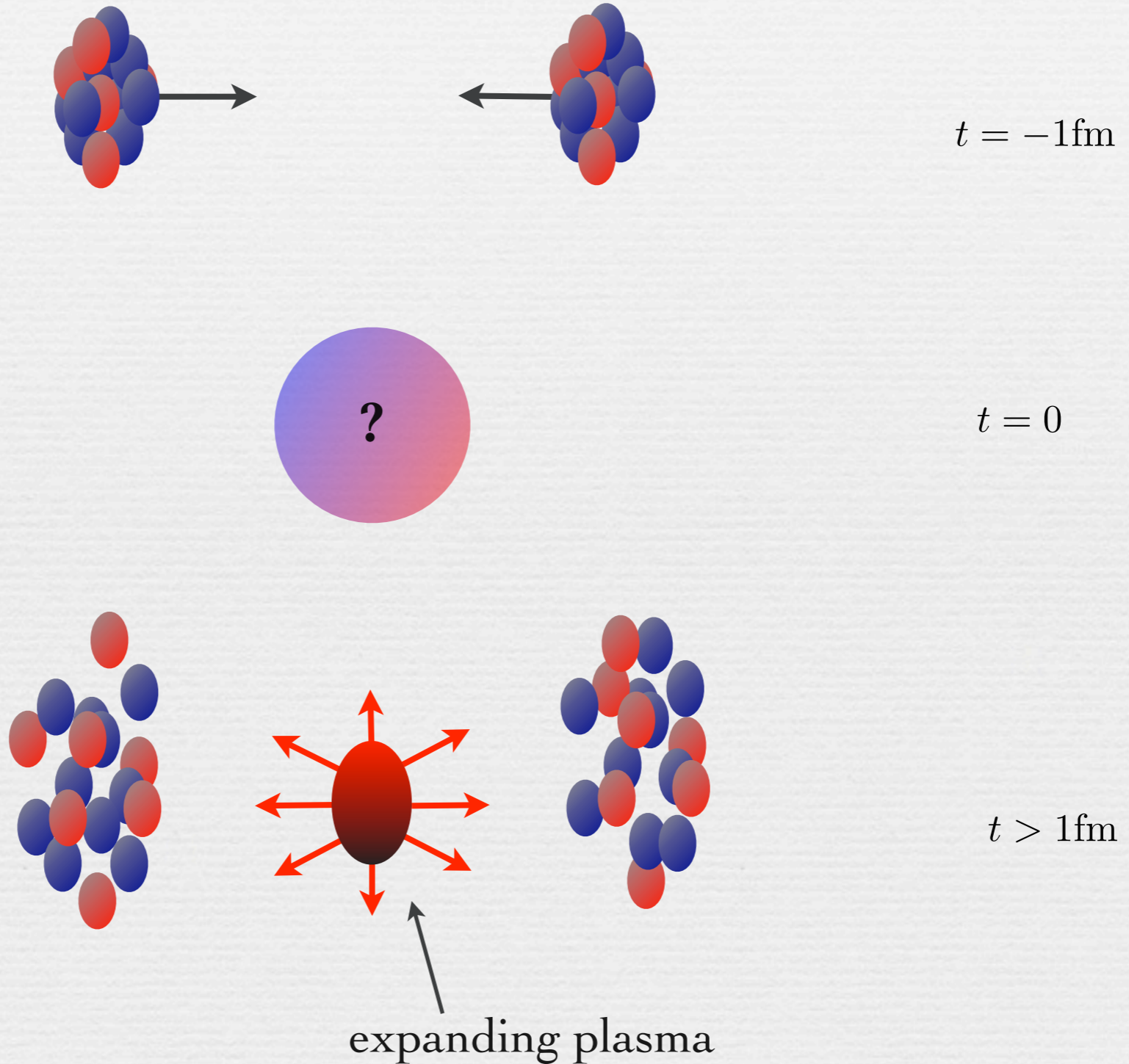
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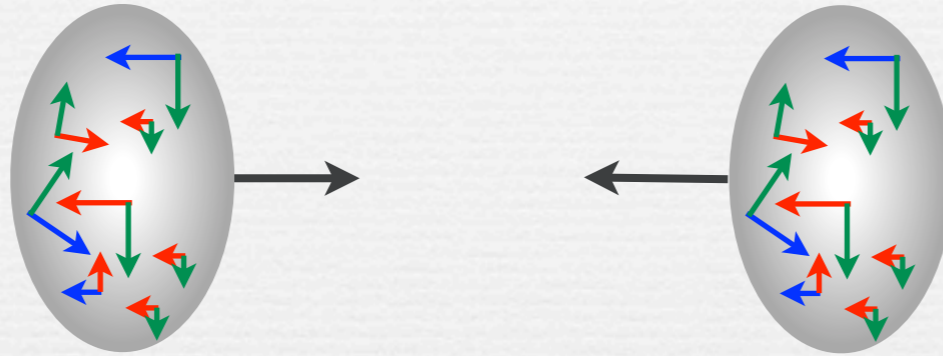
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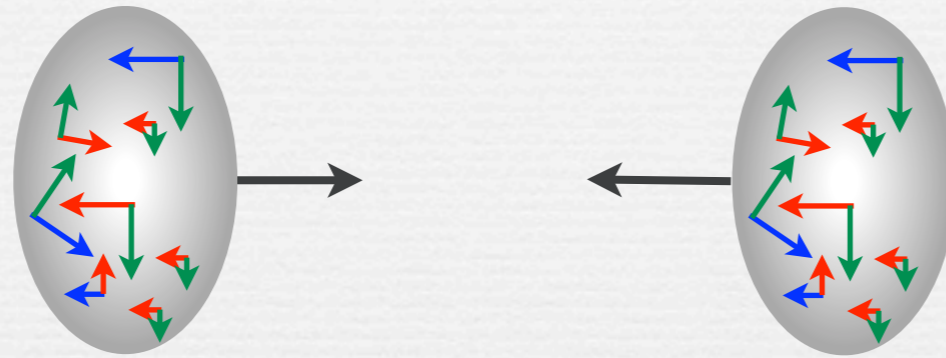
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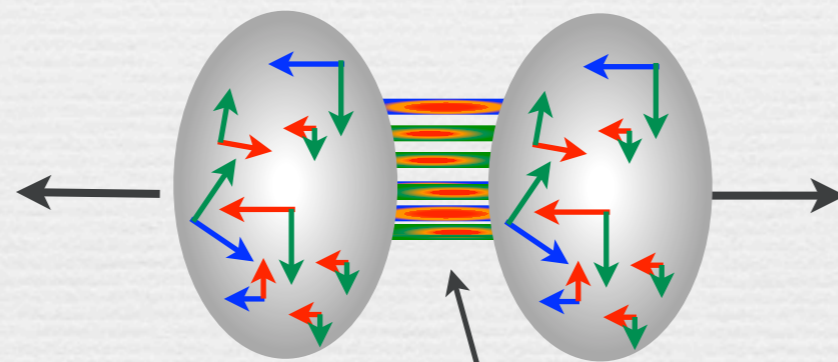
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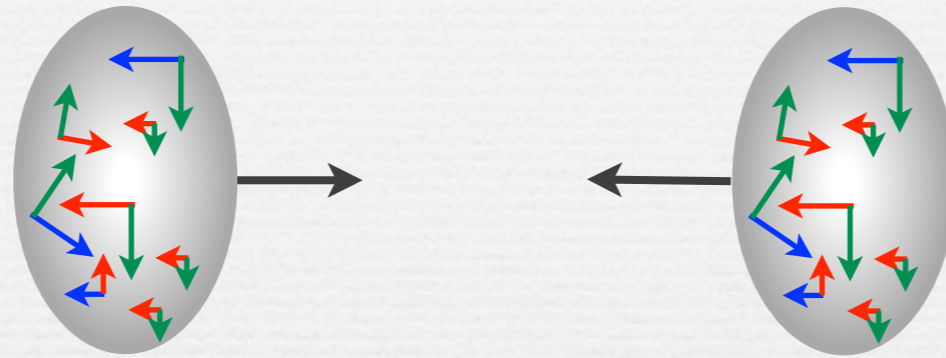


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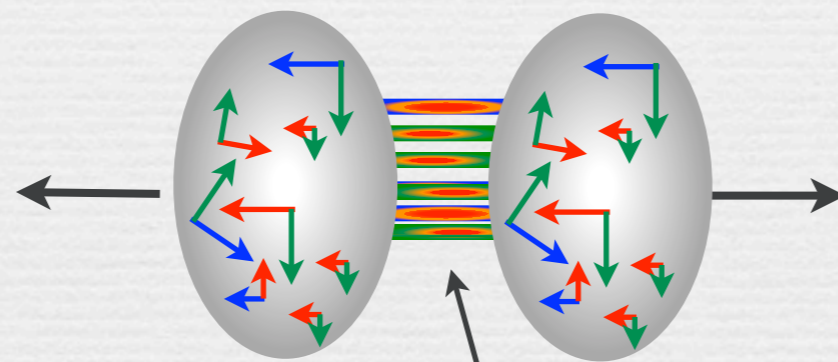
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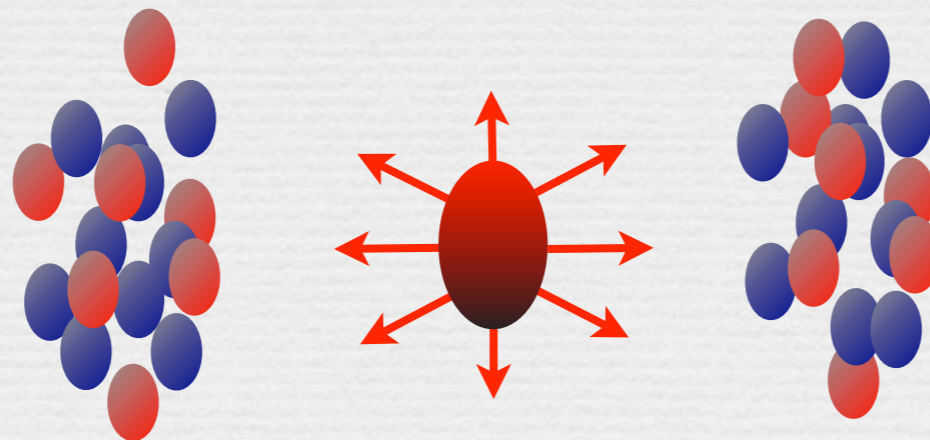


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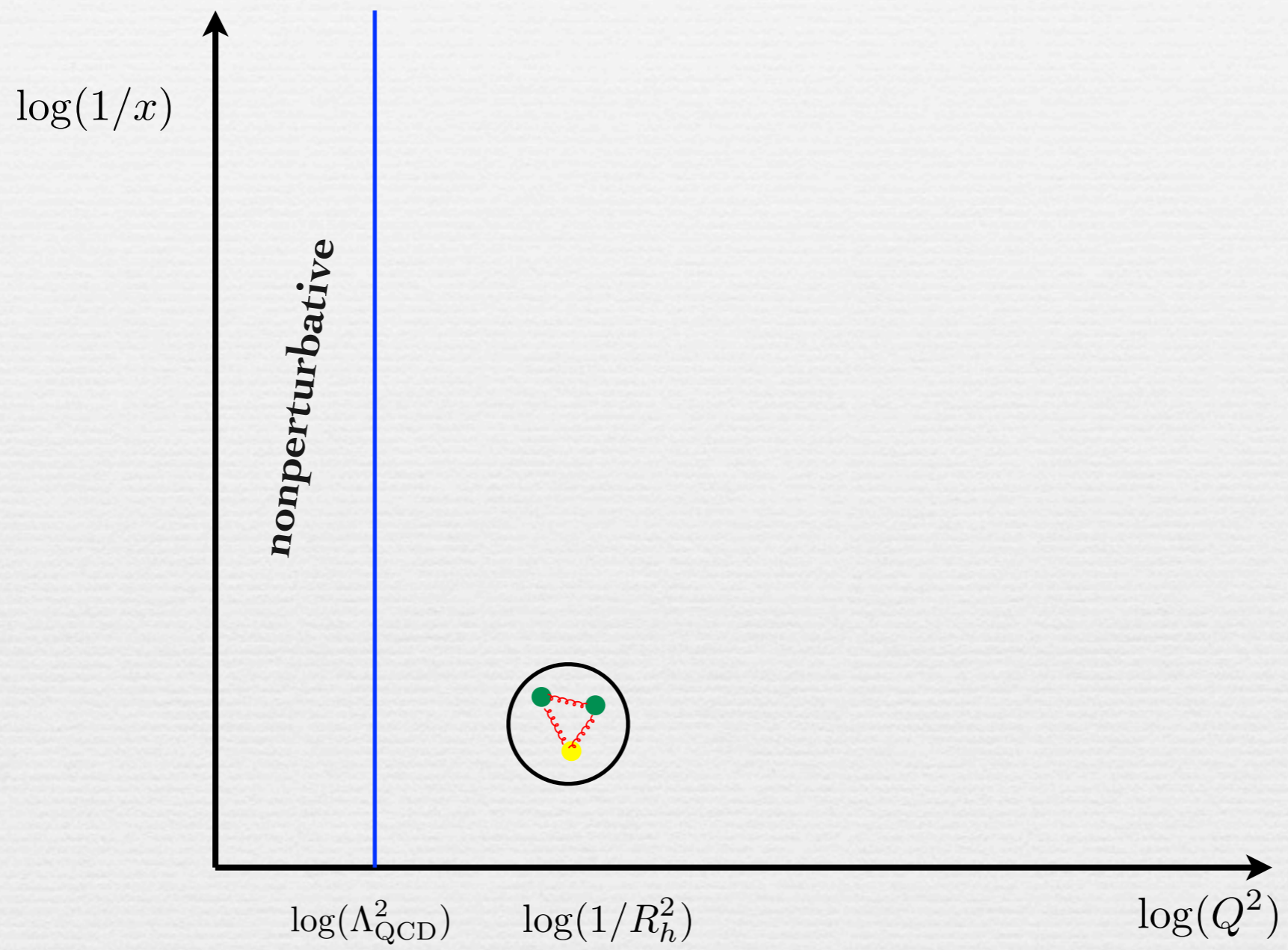


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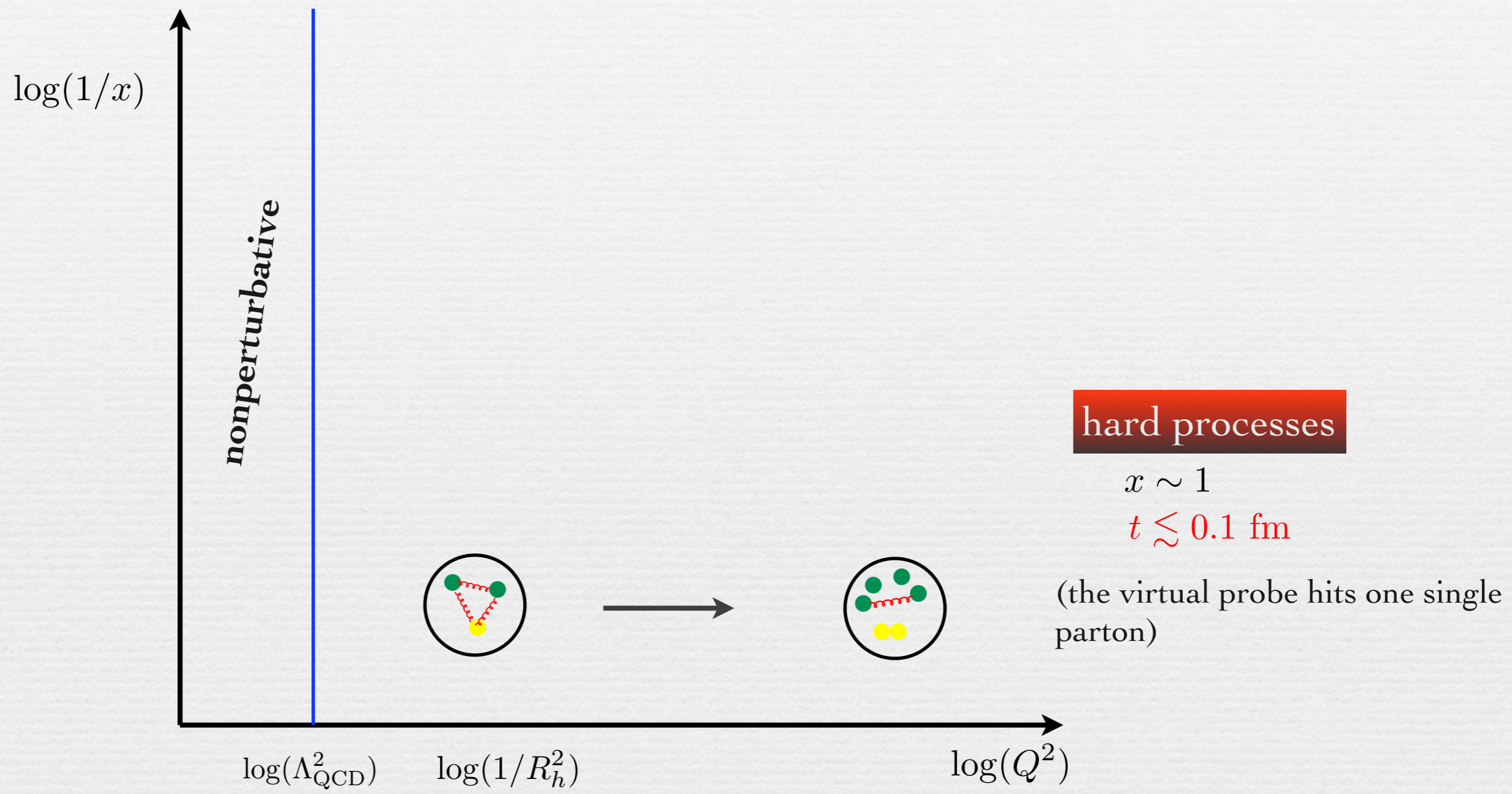
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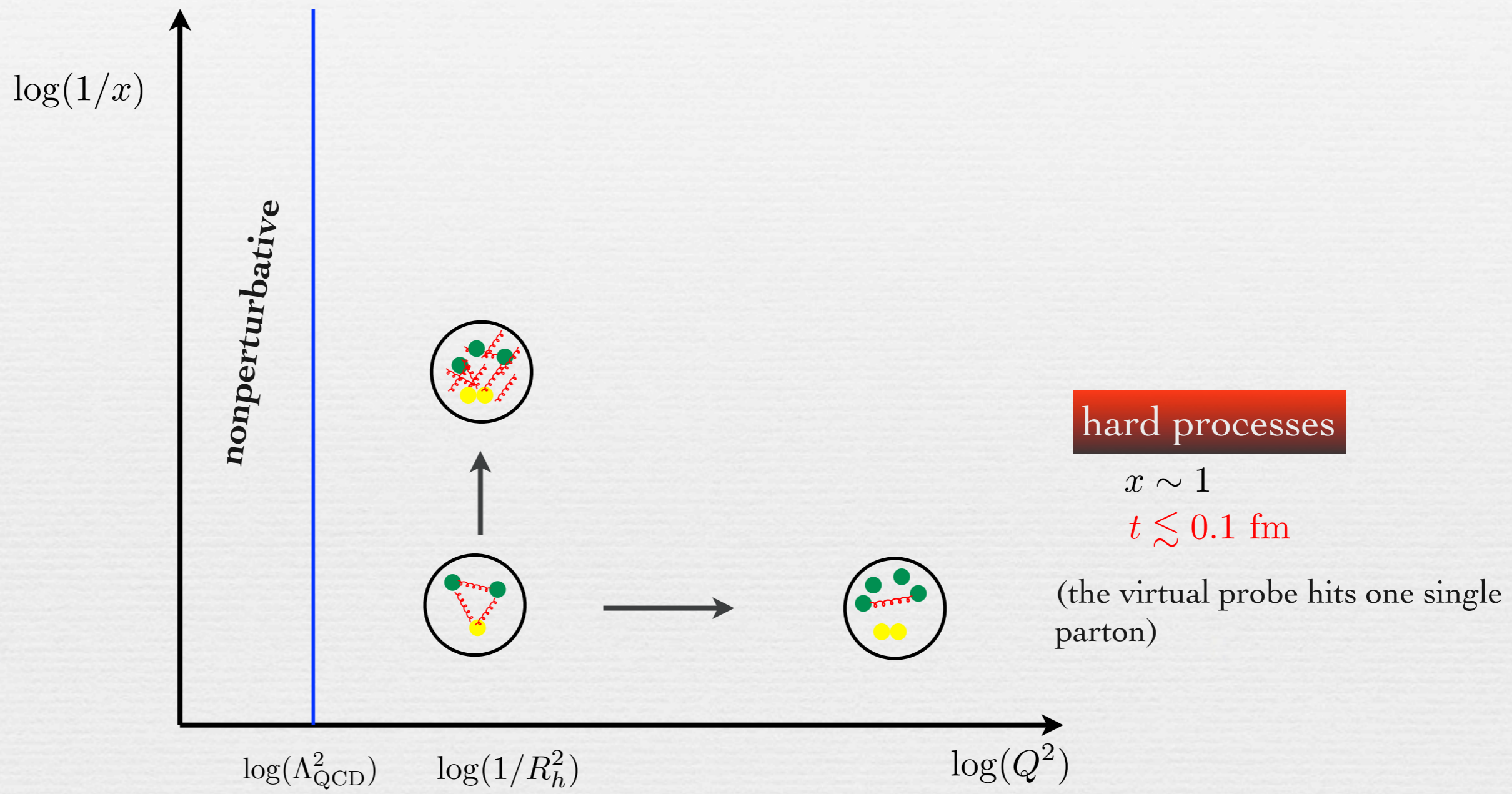


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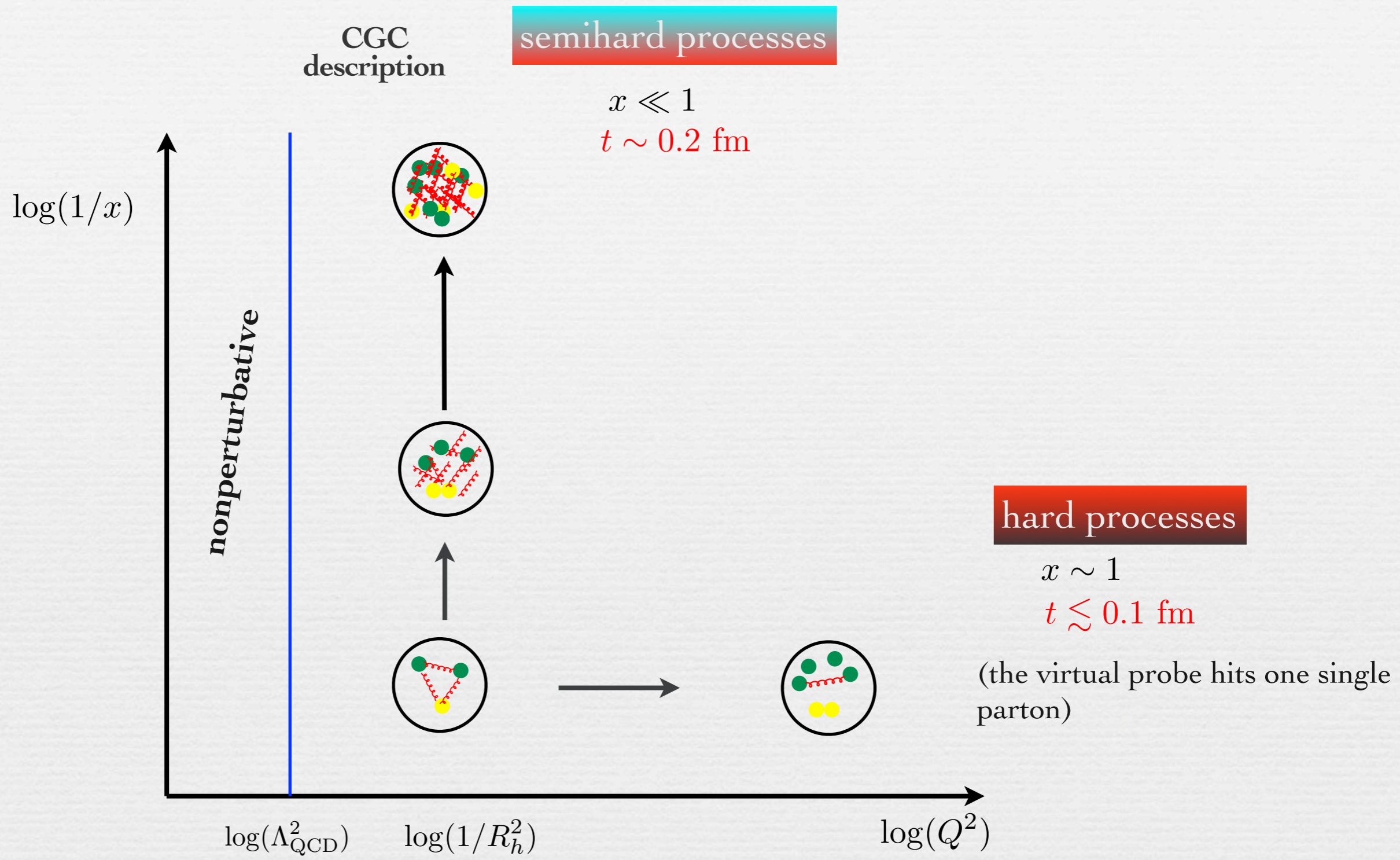


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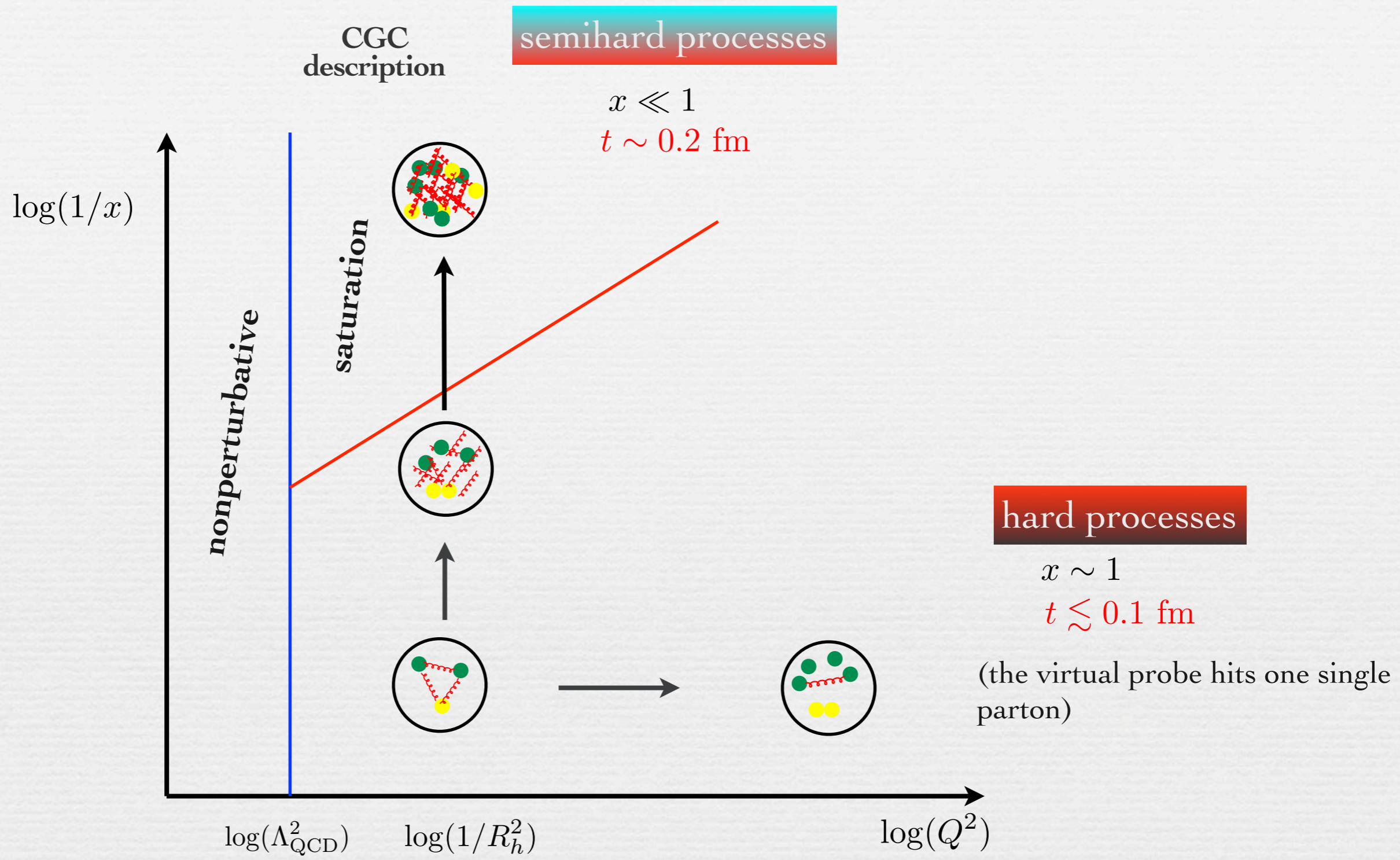


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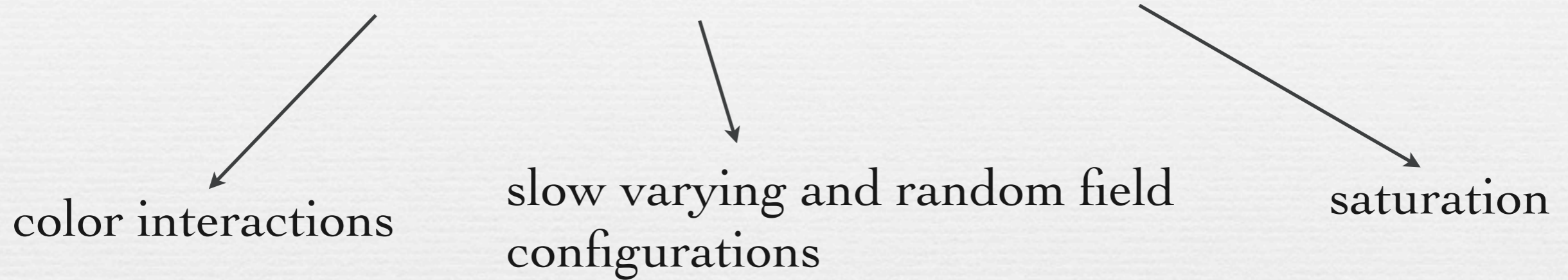
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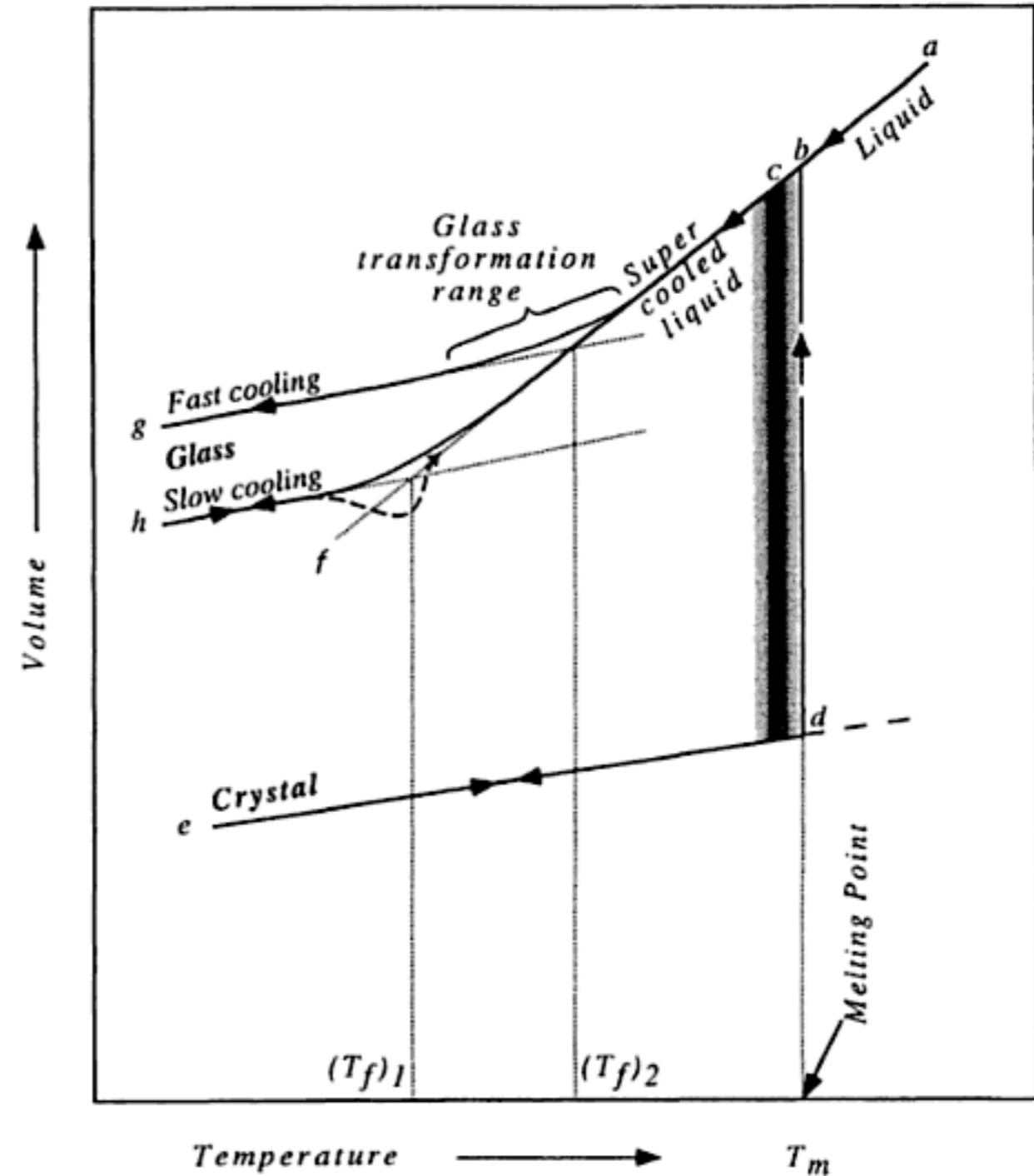


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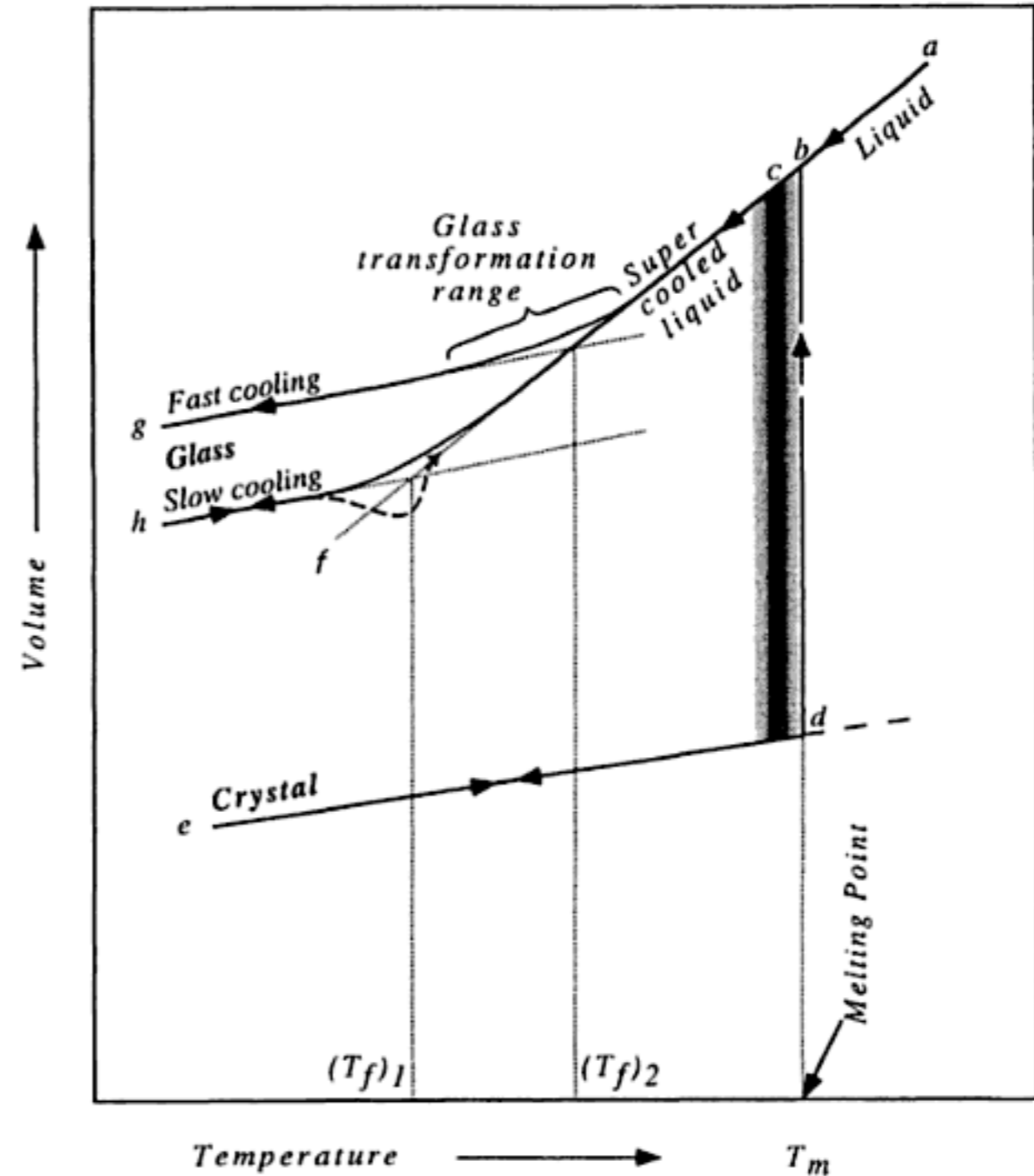


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In general the large viscosity does not allow the atoms to reach their equilibrium crystalline configuration

Thermodynamically metastable

it can make a transition to the crystalline phase in any moment

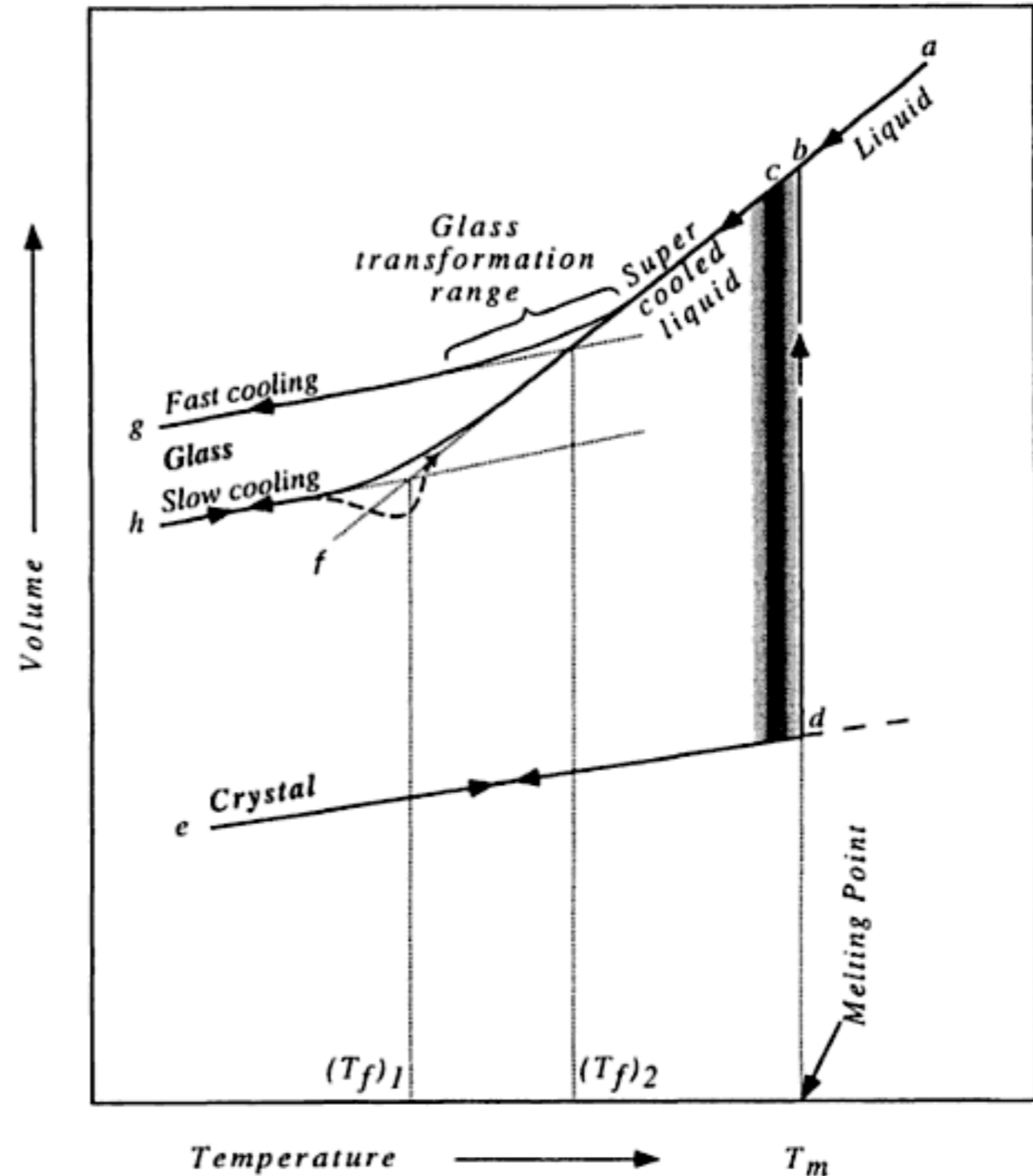


Figure 2-1. The volume-temperature diagram for a glass-forming liquid.

The Color Glass Condensate does not have these features

PHENOMENOLOGY

High energy processes: electron-nucleus DIS, Heavy Ion collisions (J/Psi, Collective phenomena, particle yields..)

Examples of work done by our colleagues

J/Psi production M. Nardi et al. *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 102 (2009) 152301, *Nucl.Phys.* A826 (2009) 230-255

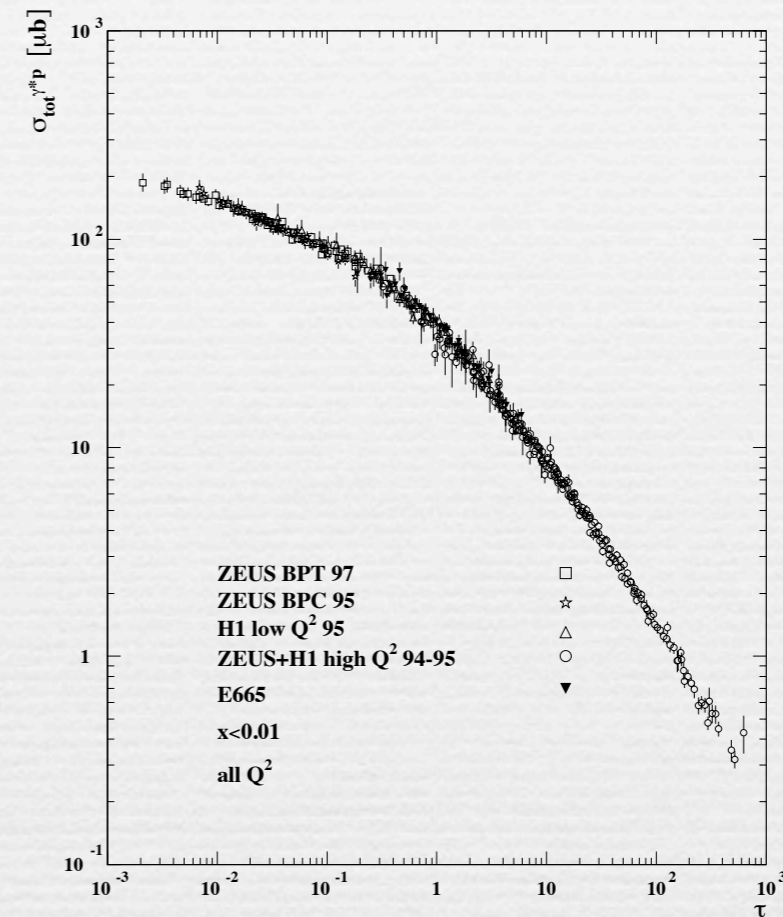
Collective Flow study M. Ruggieri, F. Scardina, S. Plumari, V. Greco, *Phys.Lett.* B727 (2013) 177-181

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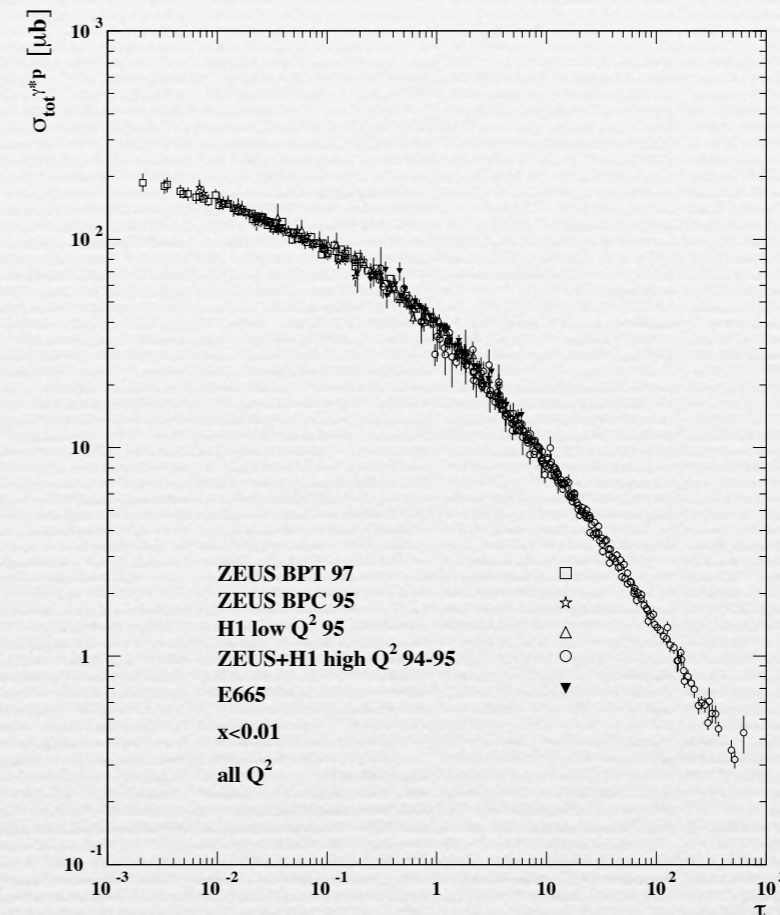


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“saturation interpretation”: exists an internal scale $Q_{\text{sat}}(x) = 1/R_0(x)$

For geometrical scaling at RHIC and LHC, see C. Klein-Bösing, L. McLerran 1403.1174

Conclusions

- *The description of matter depends on the thermodynamic state, on the energy of the probe and on the kinematic state of the observer*
- *Quark and gluon condensates are predicted by QCD (but yet they need some work)*
- *The CGC describes the state of relativistic nuclei before the collision*
- *There are experimental indications of the CGC*

BACKUP

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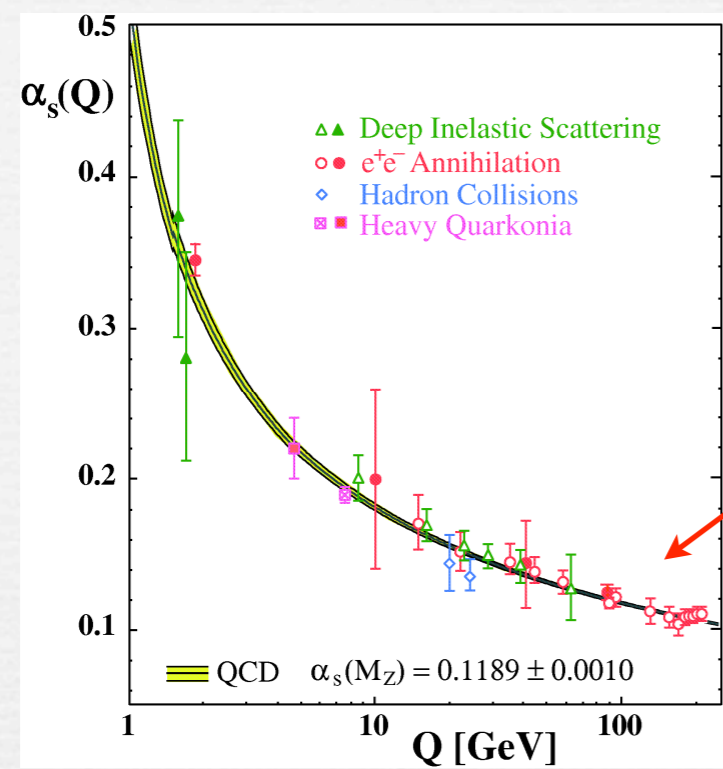
Talking about the binding energy of quarks in a nucleon is nonsense

$$m_u \simeq m_d \simeq 5 \text{ MeV} \qquad M_p \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}$$

A nucleon is a confined state of quarks and gluons

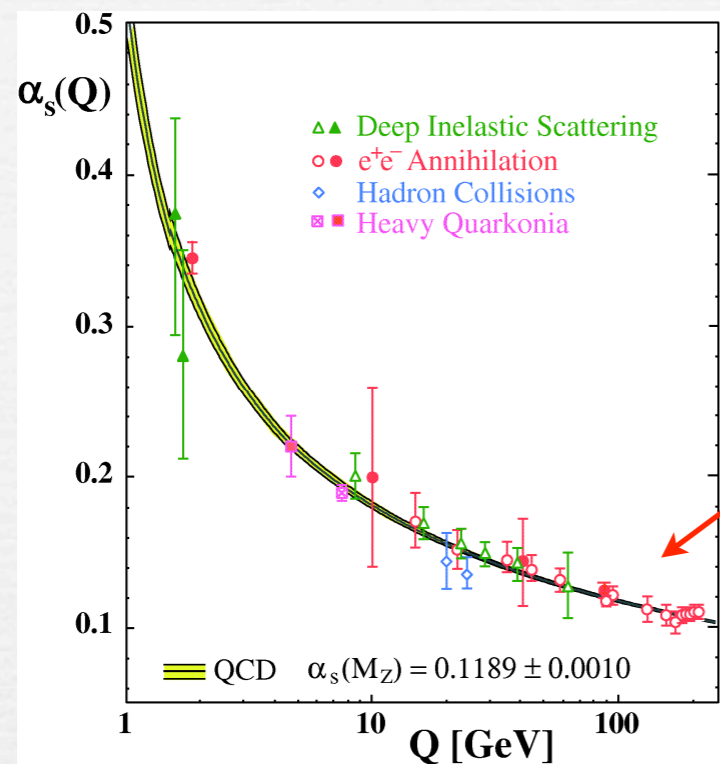
- **We cannot break a nucleon in a lighter object.**
It does not matter how large is the energy of a particle that hits a nucleon, in the final state there will always be a nucleon

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Non-abelian theory



In a non-abelian theory the gauge fields interact among themselves
 At high energy, the probability that a gluon emits a gluon is given by

$$\alpha_s \log(1/x)$$

where x is the fraction of energy carried by the gluon

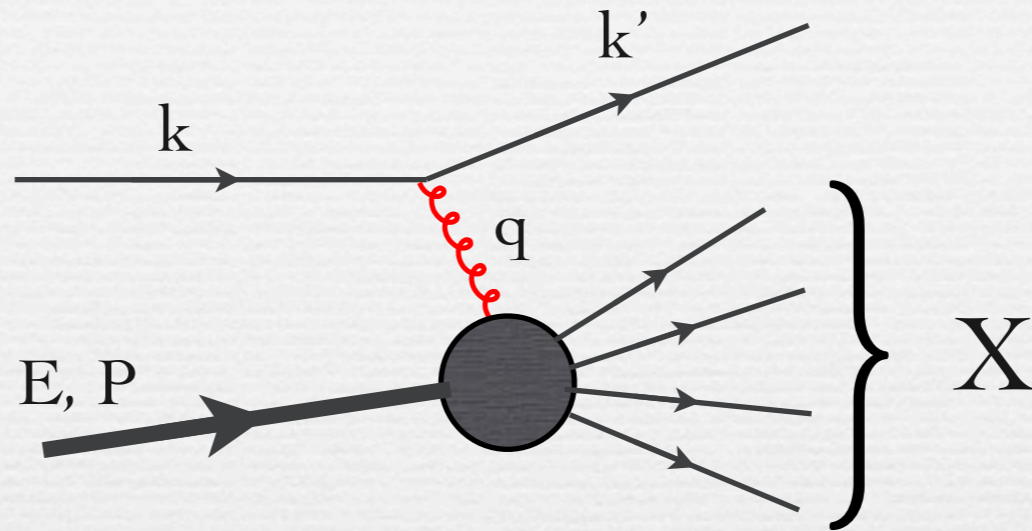
QCD at large Q and x is “easy”: few weakly interacting gluons

At small x the logarithms must be added up!!

DEEP INELASTIC SCATTERING

Information on the internal structure of a nucleon by high energy electron scattering

Any frame

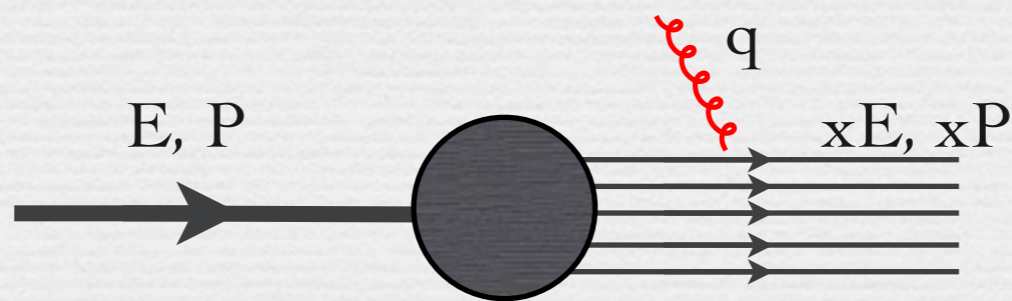


$$s = (P + k)^2$$

$$Q^2 = -q^2$$

$$\omega = (2P \cdot q) / Q^2$$

IMF frame
partonic picture



$$x = 1/\omega$$

Regge-Gribov limit

Q^2 fixed and large, $x \rightarrow 0$, $s \rightarrow \infty$

SATURATION

At small x , how is it possible to pack many gluons in a proton?

Phase space density $\frac{(2\pi)^3}{2(N_c^2 - 1)} \frac{dN_g}{dy d^2p_T d^2x_T} = n$

A simple model. Suppose gluons obey the potential

$$V = \begin{cases} -n & \text{large distance} \\ +\alpha_s n^2 & \text{short distance} \end{cases} \quad \text{balance at } n \sim 1/\alpha_s$$

The balance depends on the coupling and therefore on the energy

$R_{\text{sat}} \sim 1/Q_{\text{sat}}$ Typical distance for color neutralization.
The hadron is effectively a system of color singlets if the probe sees structures with $R_{\text{sat}} < R < R_h$

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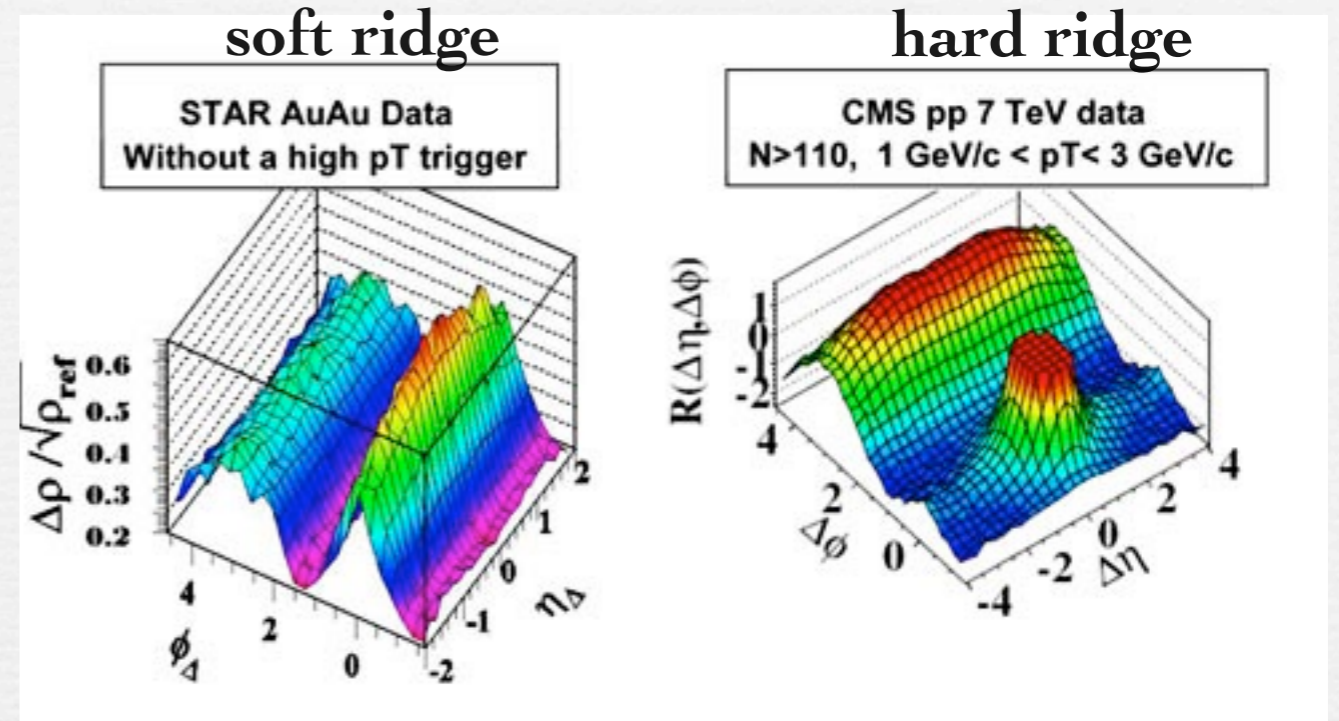
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E poi si fa evolvere in funzione di x .

La separazione di scala è arbitraria e quindi abbiamo un RG tipo Wilson.

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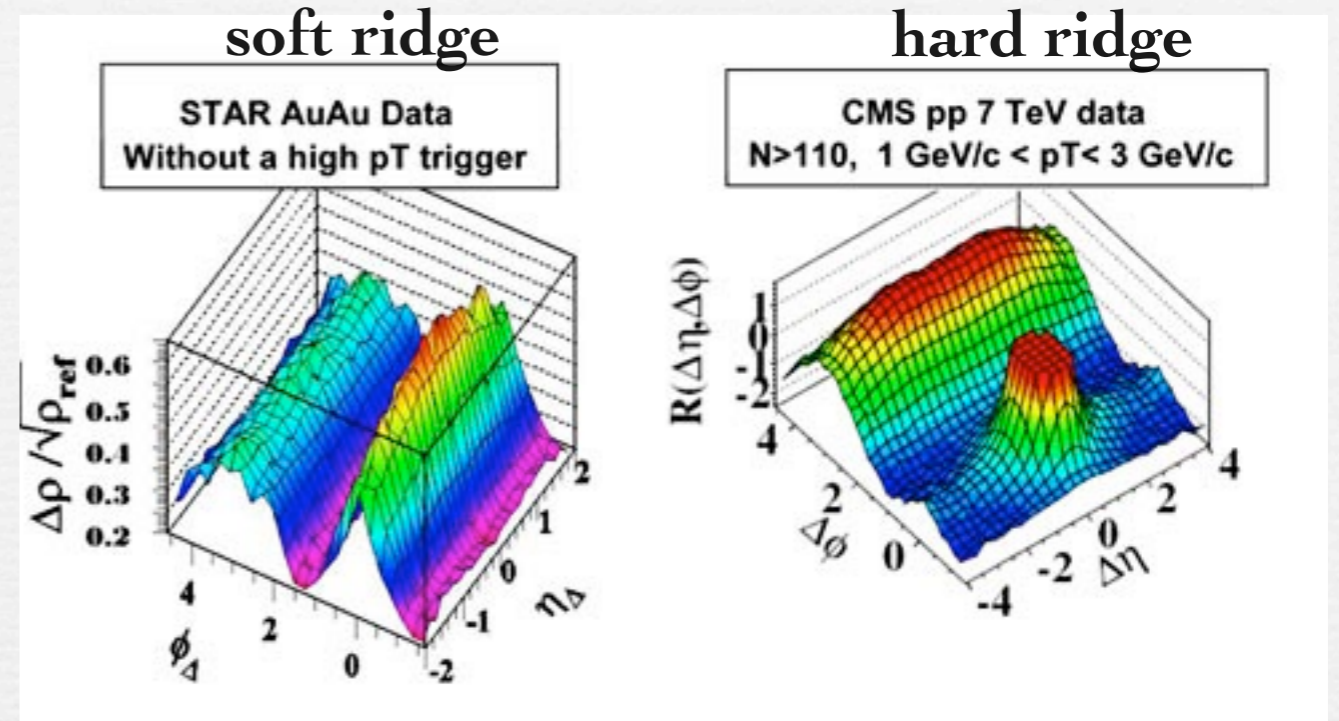
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Spiegazioni teoriche alternative: hydrodynamic flows, local hot spots, initial-state fluctuations, parton cascades, momentum kick model, pQCD modeling

Rapidities

Standard Lorentz

$$E = m \cosh \phi$$
$$p = m \sinh \phi$$

$$\phi = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{E + p}{E - p} \right)$$

“angolo” che ci consente di passare dal nostro frame a quello della particella

Experimental

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right)$$

un boost di y ci porta nel frame in cui la particella ha solo impulso trasverso

Pseudorapidity

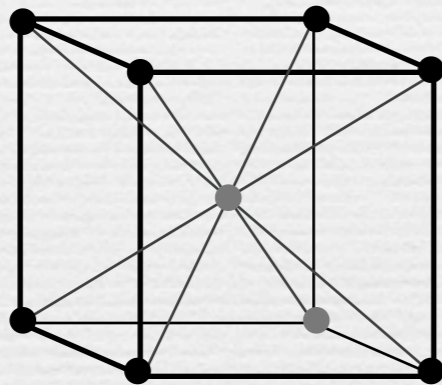
$$\eta = -\log(\tan(\theta/2)) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{p + p_z}{p - p_z} \right)$$

qui θ è l'angolo azimutale. $\theta = 0$ corrisponde al beam axis (forward rapidity)

Se la materia è “contratta”, allora le interazioni stesse devono cambiare.

Ad esempio, se voglio trovare nel mio sistema di riferimento la configurazione di equilibrio di un cristallo in moto devo sapere come cambiano gli accoppiamenti

comoving observer



boosted observer



Come funziona ?

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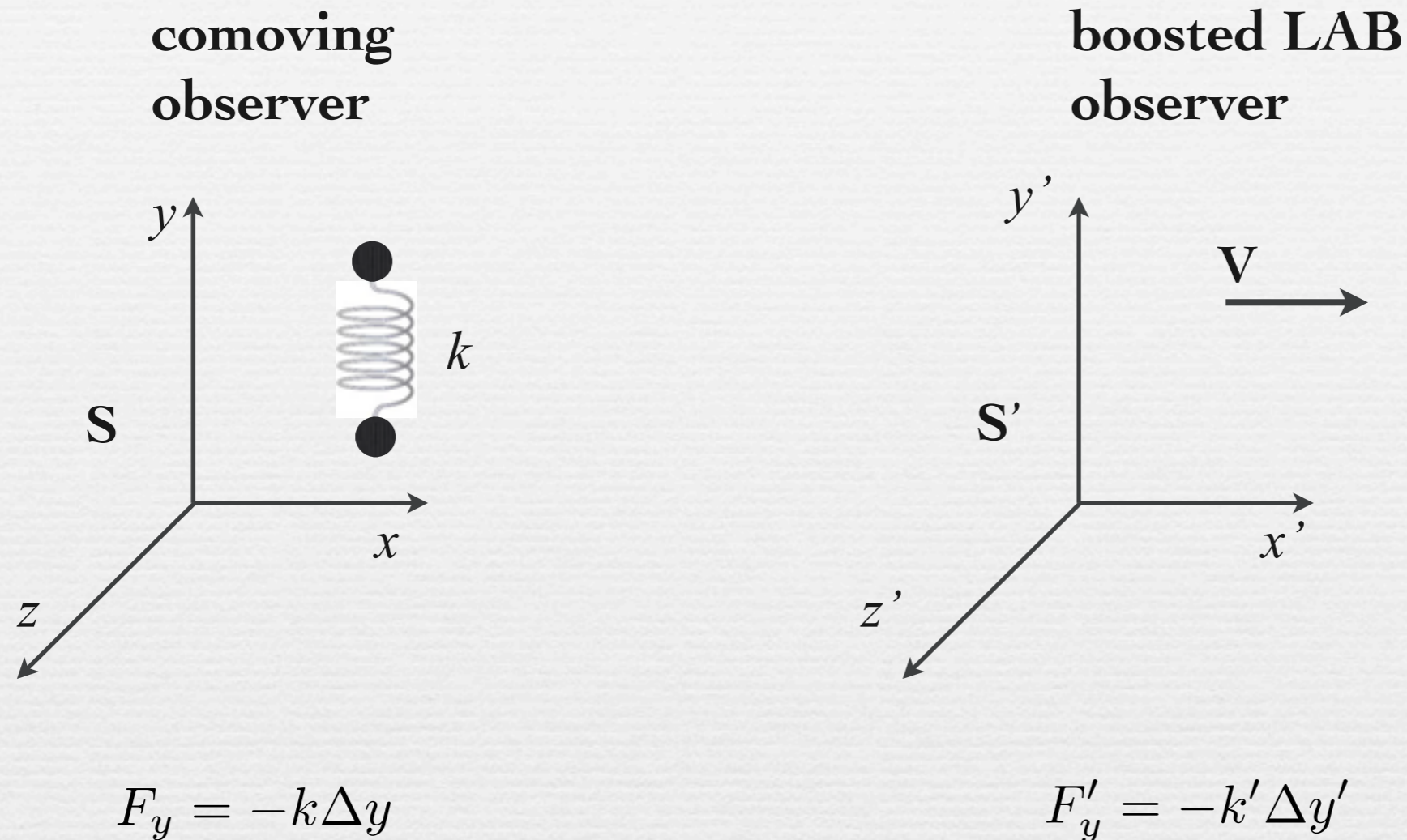
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La distribuzione di cariche e dei campi cambia da evento ad evento.
Però deve essere possibile una descrizione che tenga conto
della **saturation**, che è invece “universale”.
Analogo problema negli spin glasses.

For simplicity, consider just two particles bound by a spring



If the spring is static in the S rest frame the equilibrium force is

$$F'_y = F_y / \gamma \quad \text{therefore} \quad k' = k / \gamma$$

$$\Delta y' = \Delta y$$

The spring has a lower elastic constant in the comoving reference frame!

When the spring is oscillating, due to time dilation, we see slowly moving bodies