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Mainly working with Malcolm Fairbairn, Diego Blas, James Alvey and Nash Sabti

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- **2020-2022 Alexander von Humboldt fellow at the Technical University of Munich**



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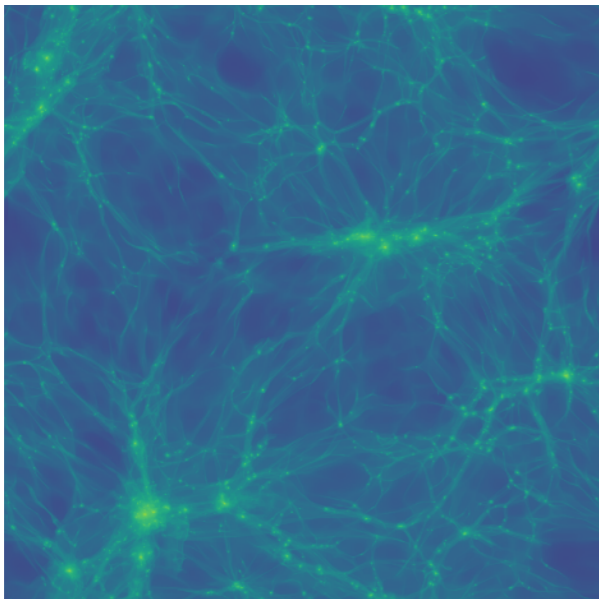
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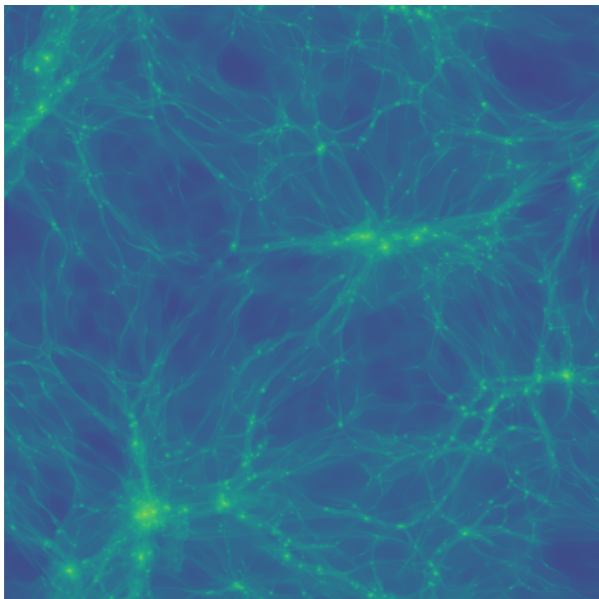
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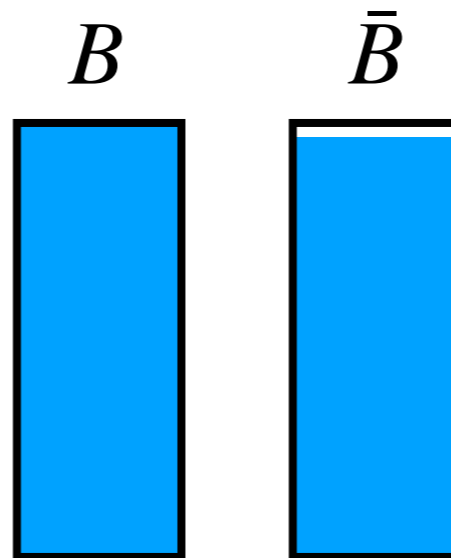
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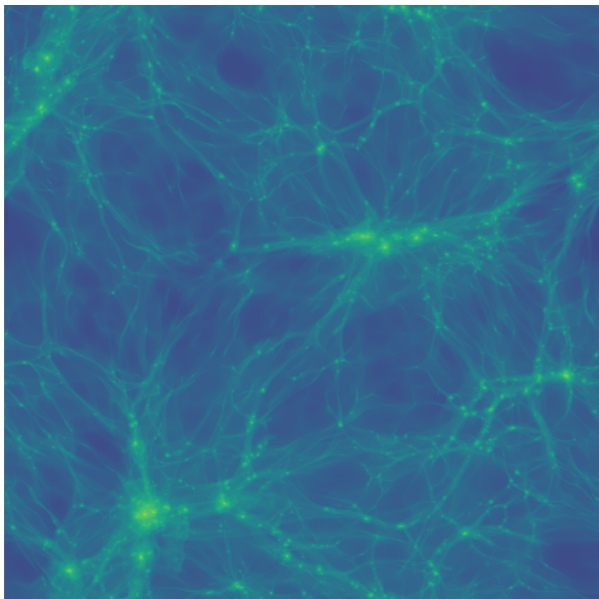
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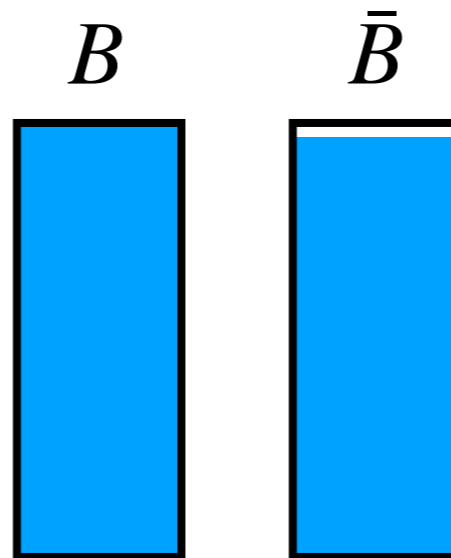
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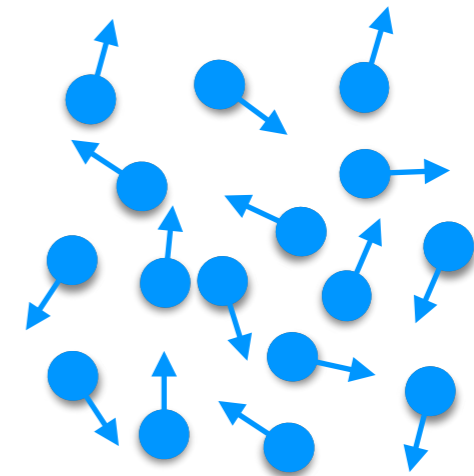
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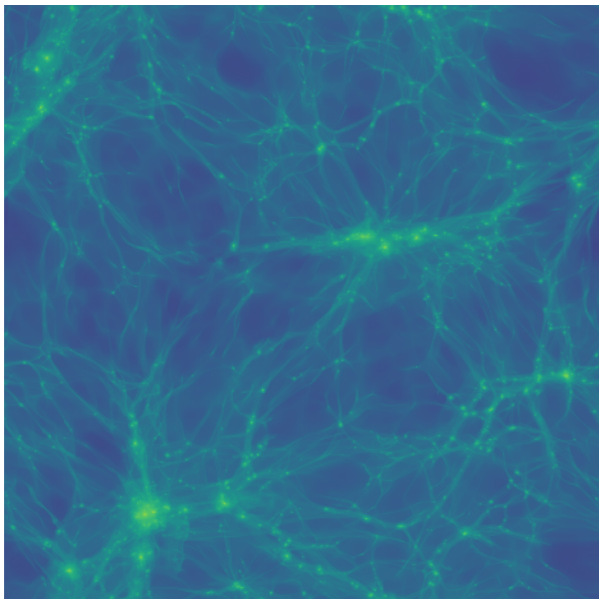
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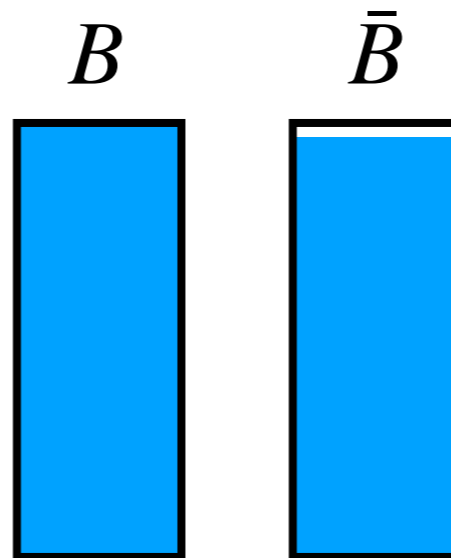
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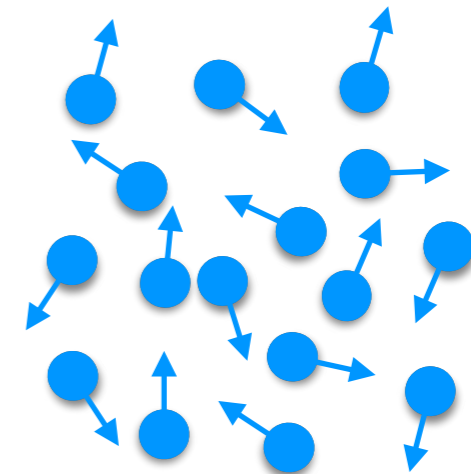
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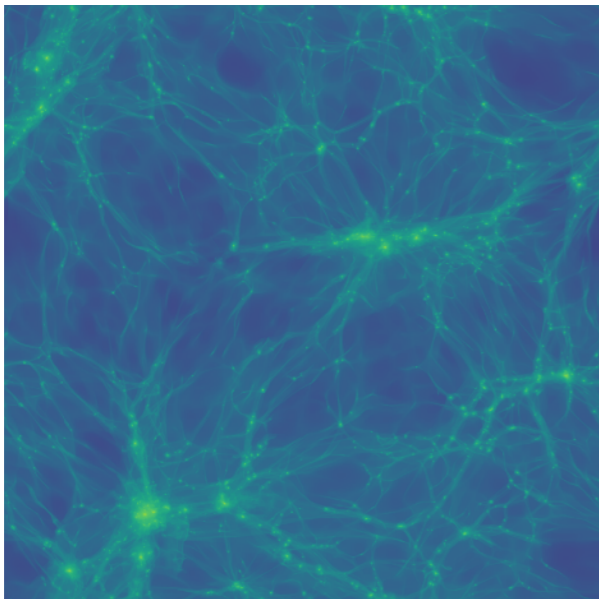
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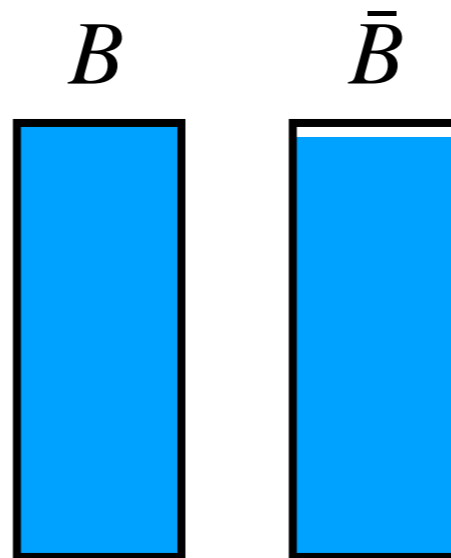
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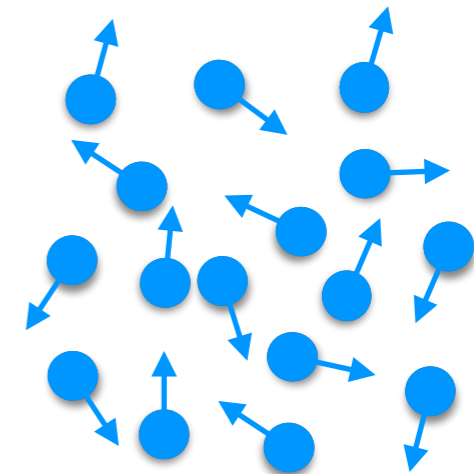
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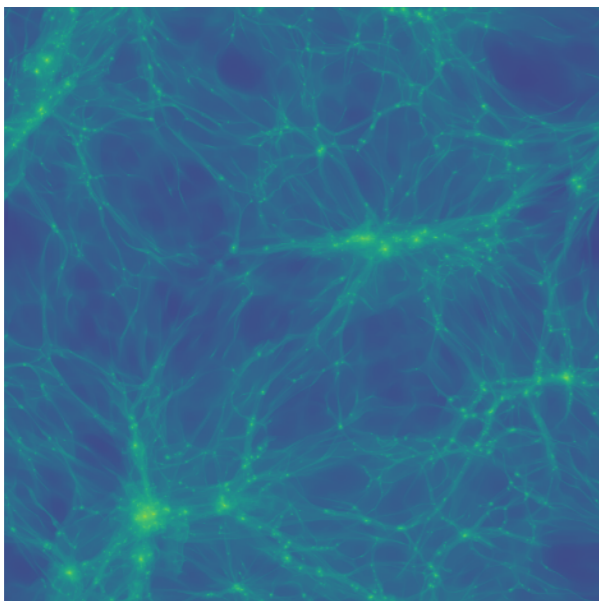
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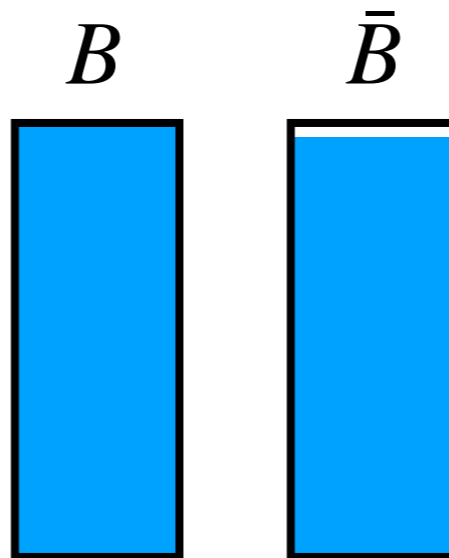
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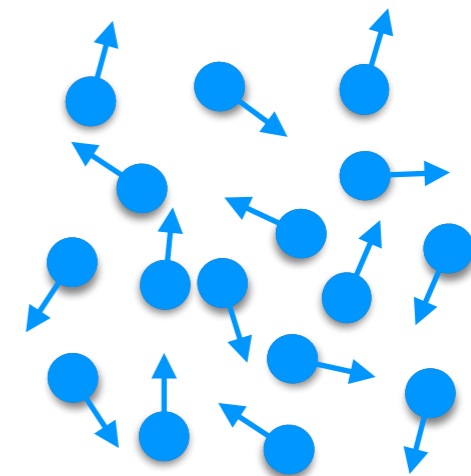
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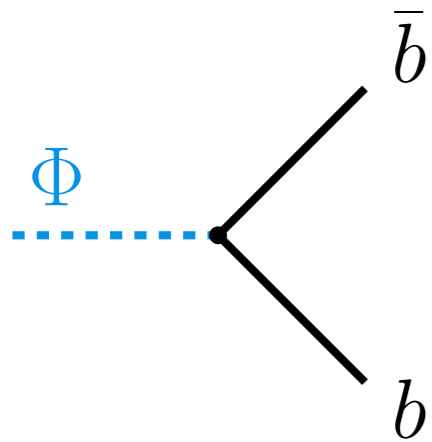
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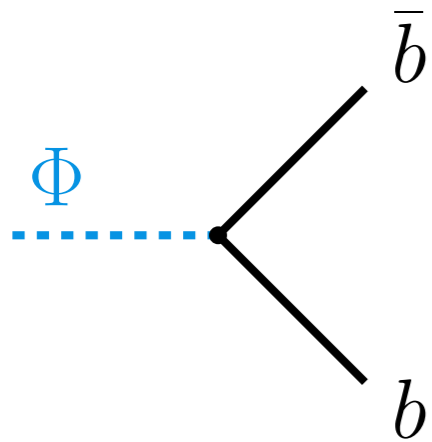
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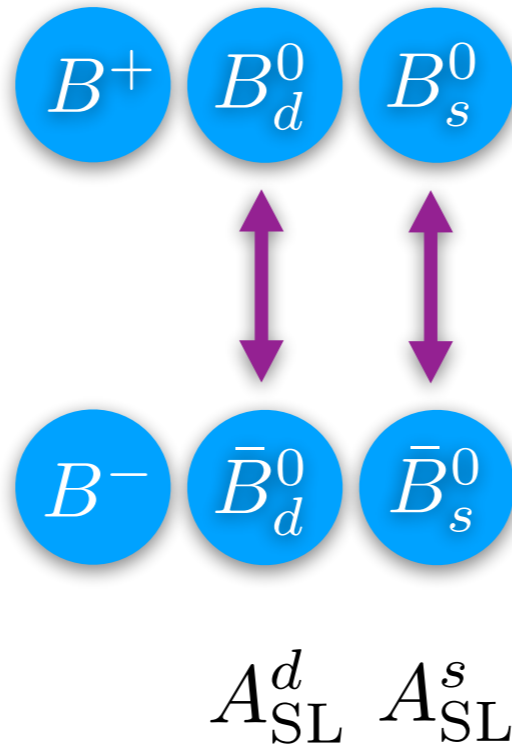
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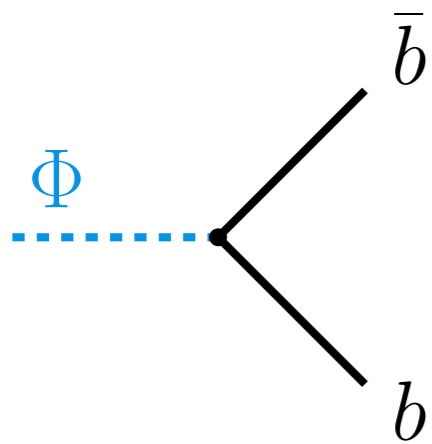


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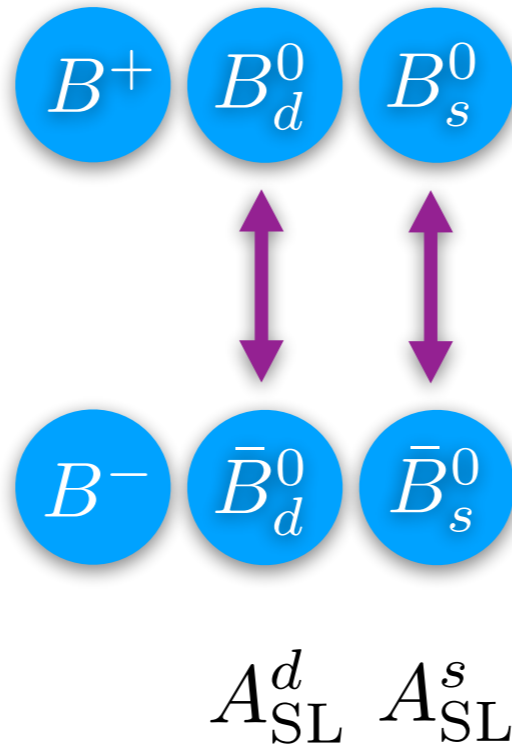
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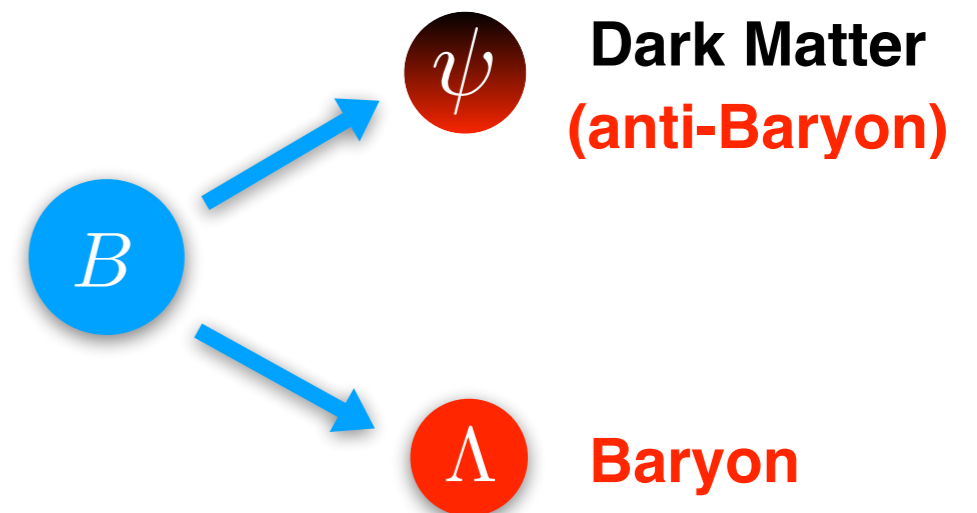


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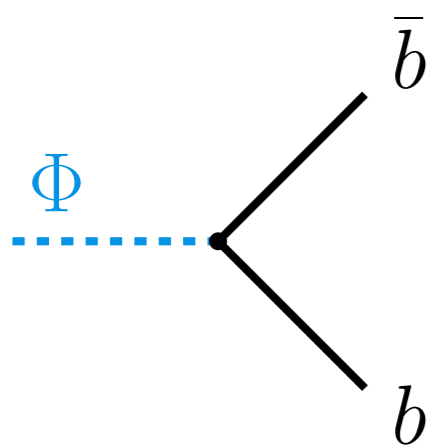
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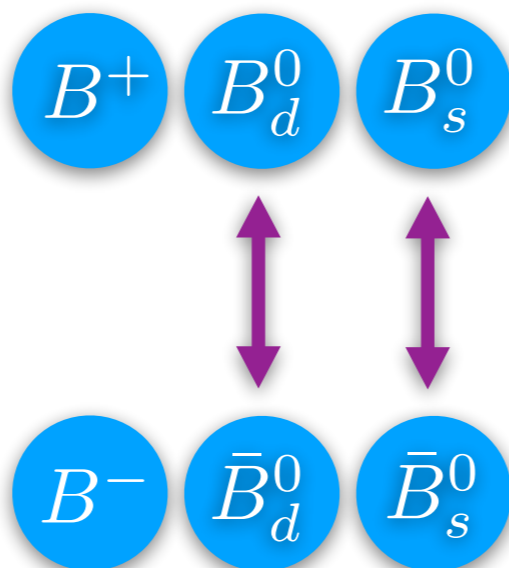
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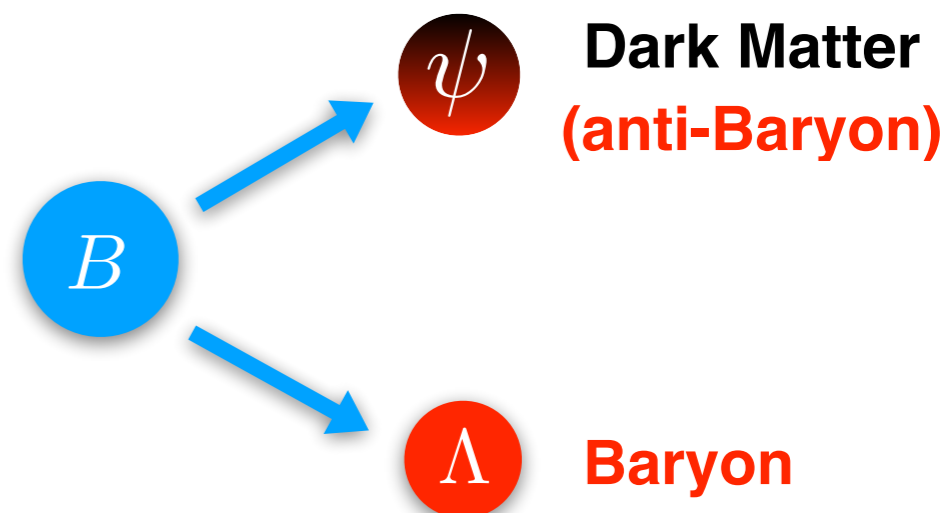
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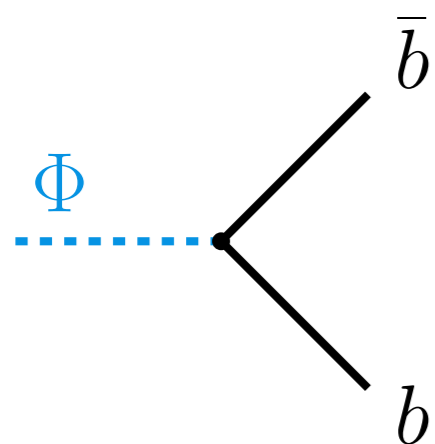
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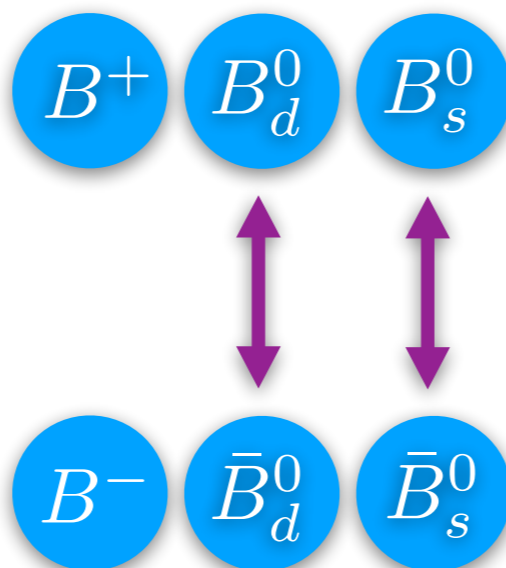
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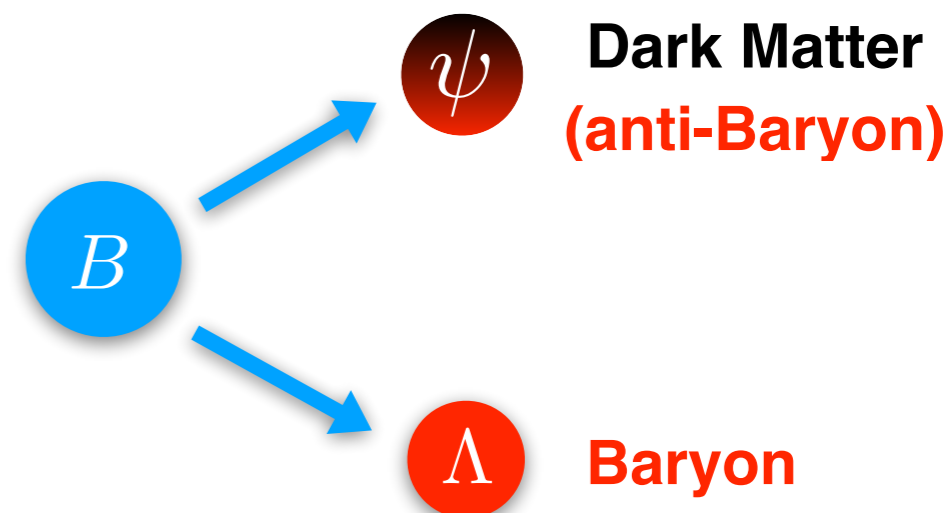
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Alonso-Álvarez, Elor & M.E. 21'

The signals we proposed are currently being searched for with old data from Belle and BaBar (see Belle : PRD 105 (2022) L051101). Belle-II and LHCb are considering performing analogous searches! 😊

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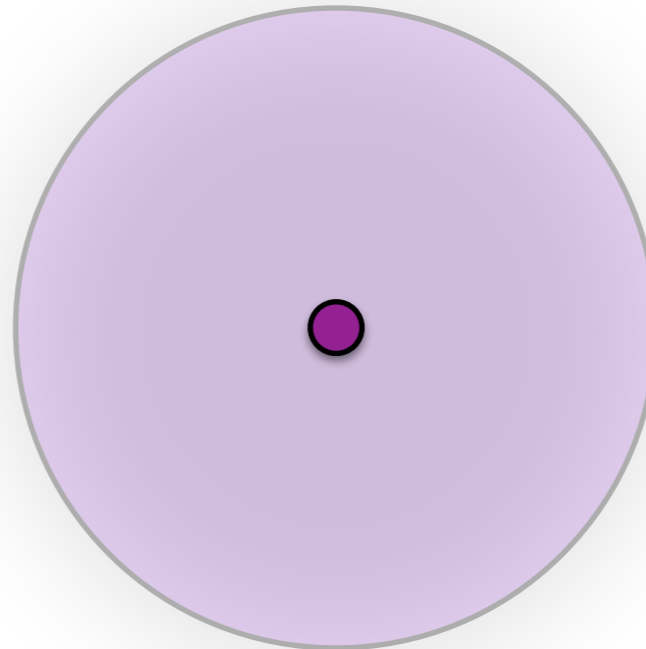
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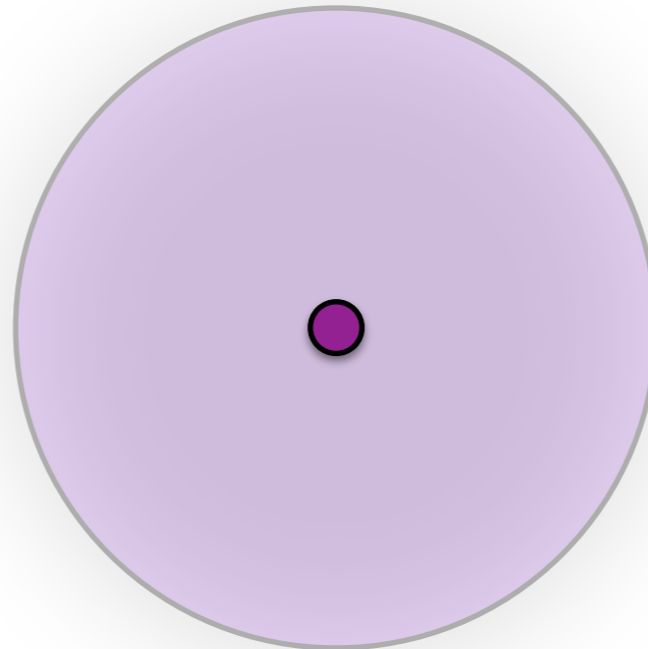
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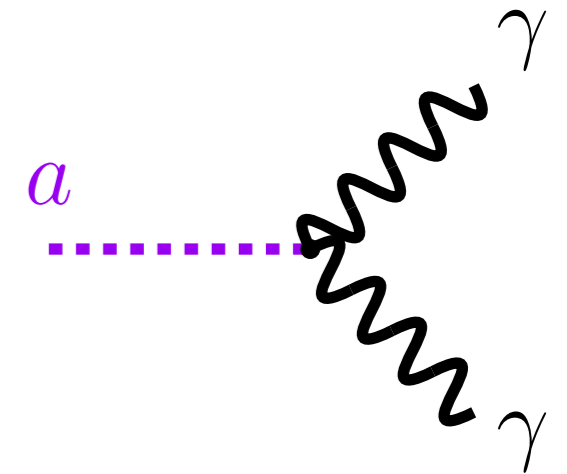
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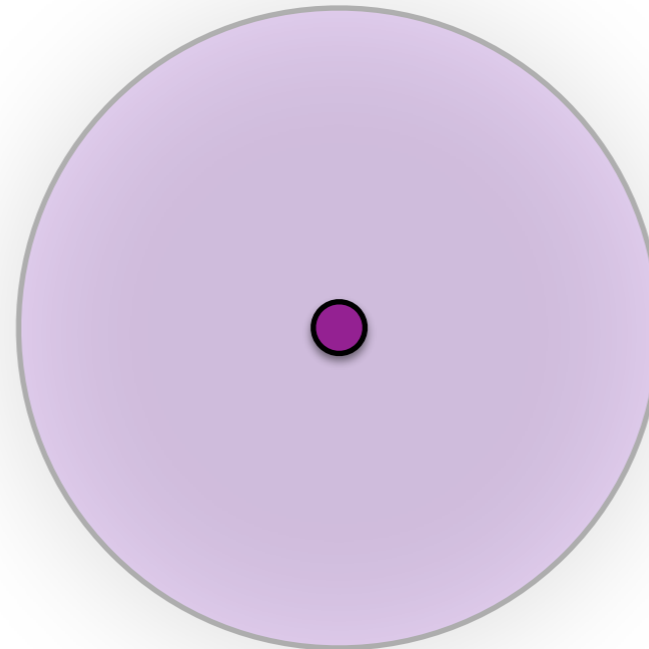
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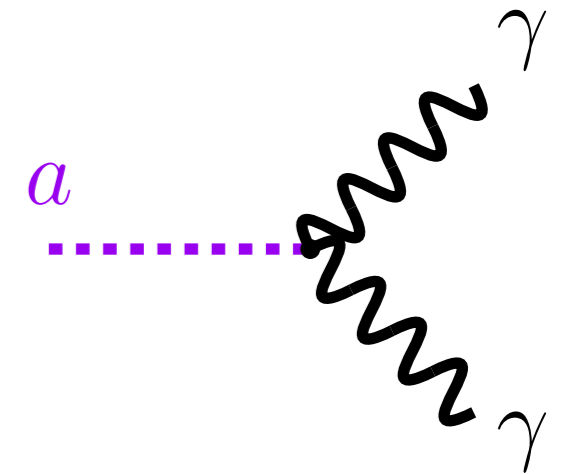
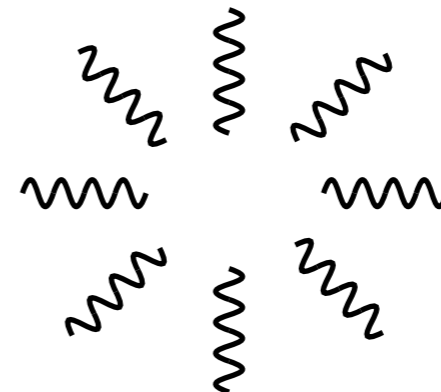
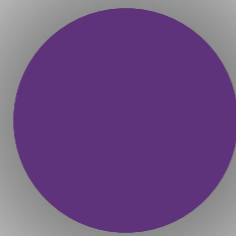
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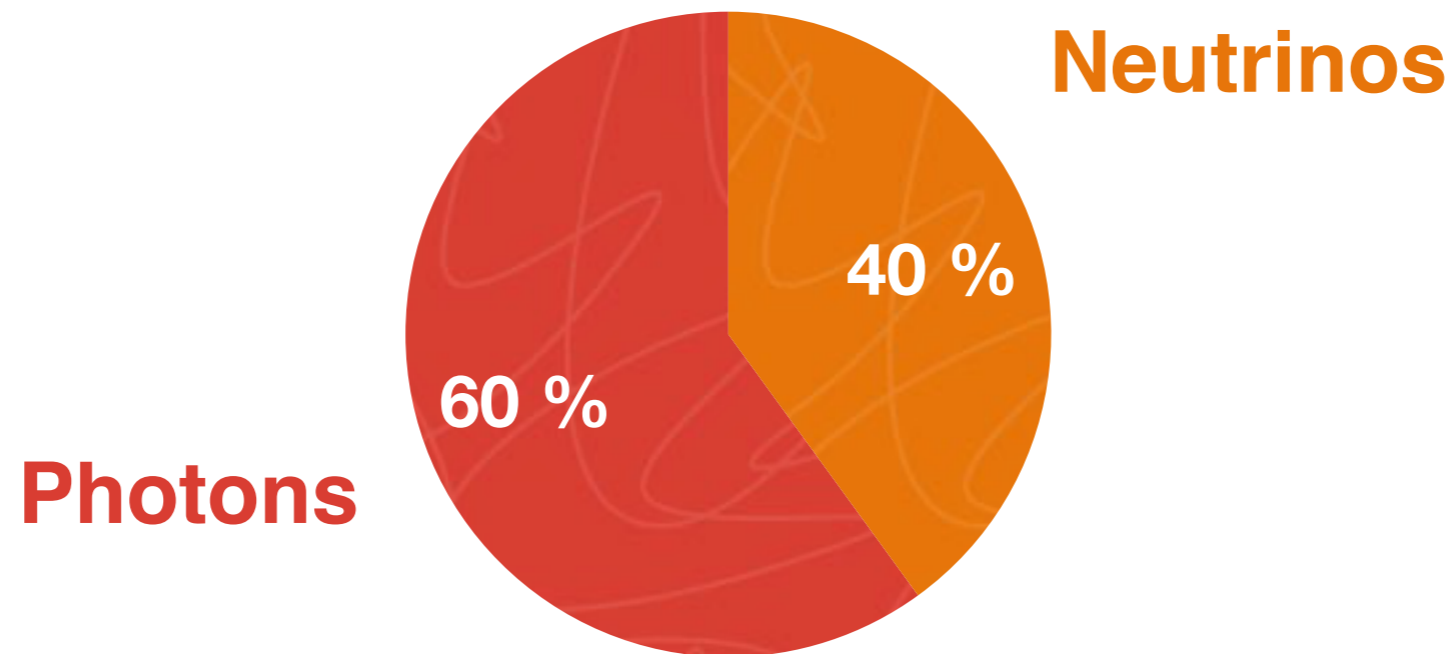
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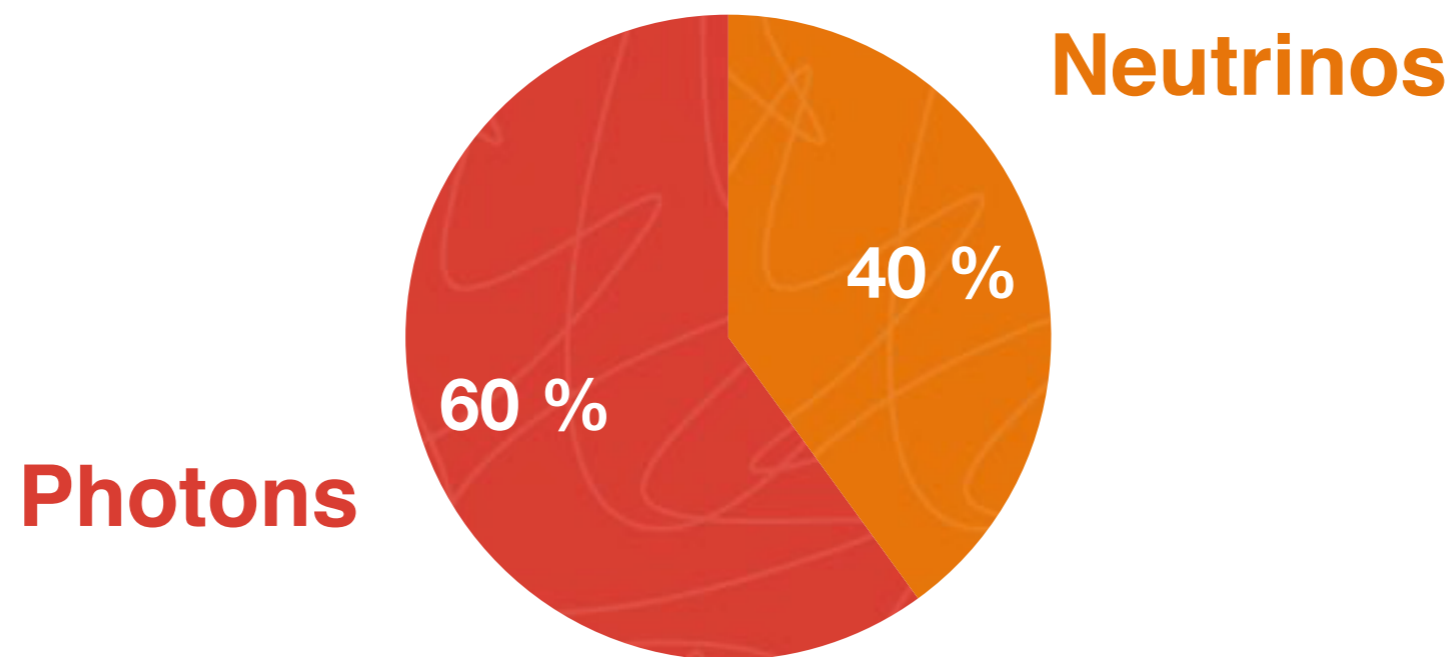
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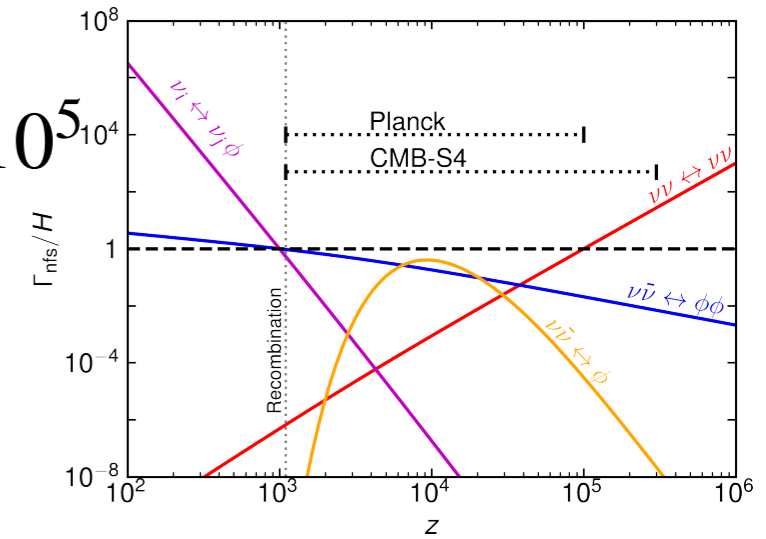
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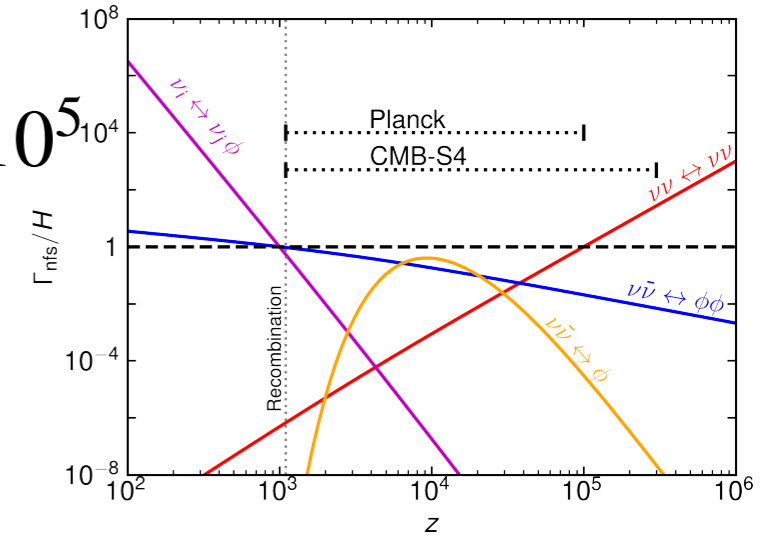
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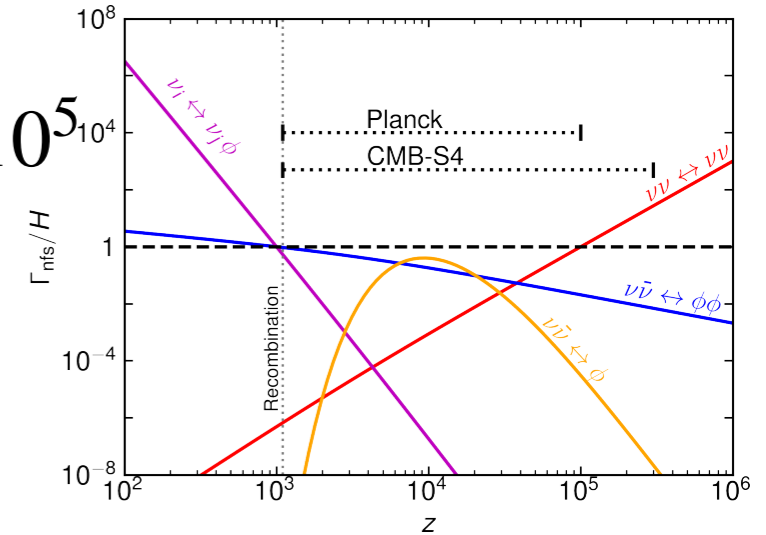
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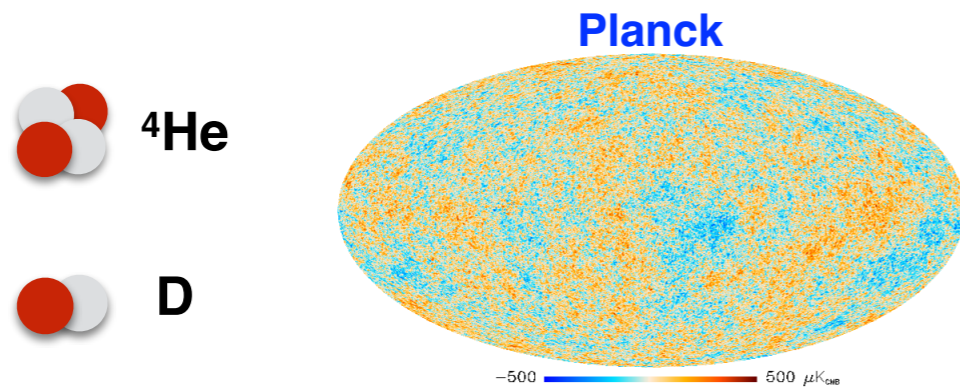
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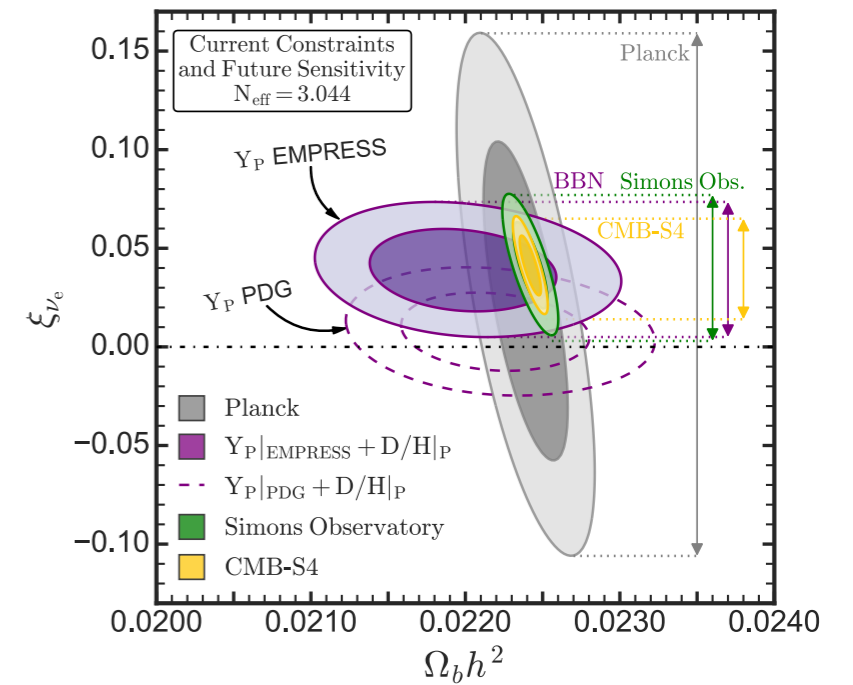


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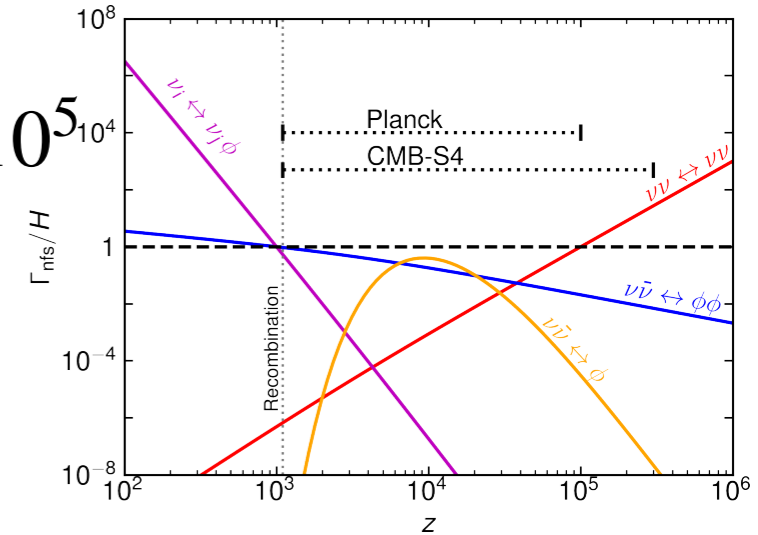


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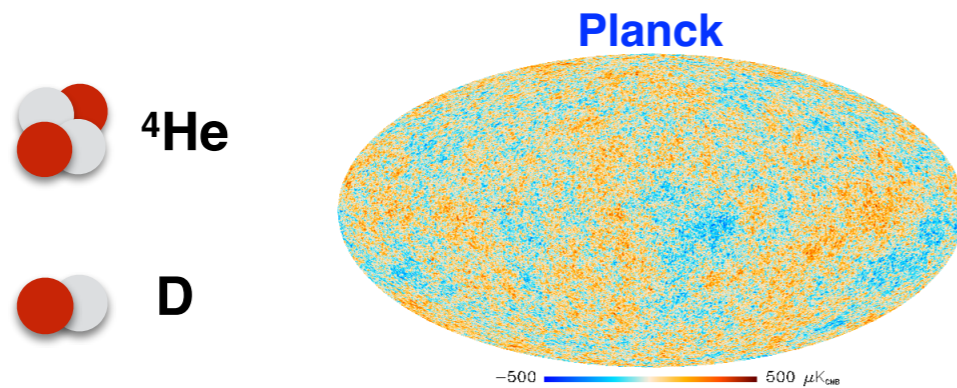
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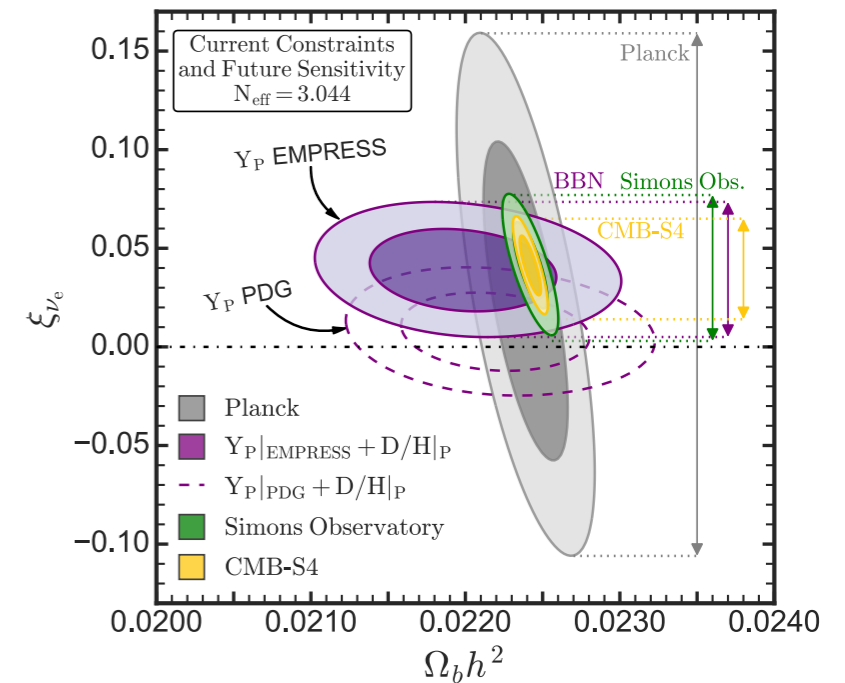


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New method to calculate N_{eff} in the Standard Model and beyond:

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$$N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SM}} = 3.044(1)$$

currently working on neutrino decoupling in the presence of large lepton asymmetries with Valerie Domcke and Mario Fernández Navarro

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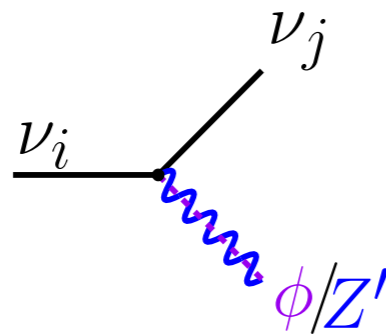
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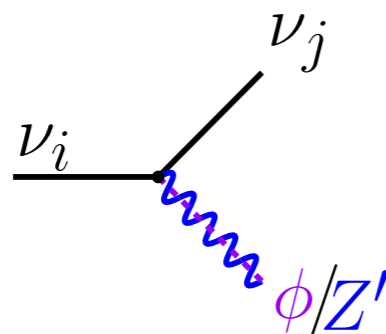
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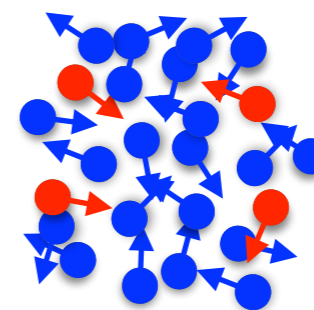
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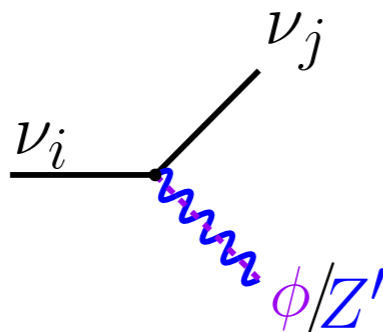
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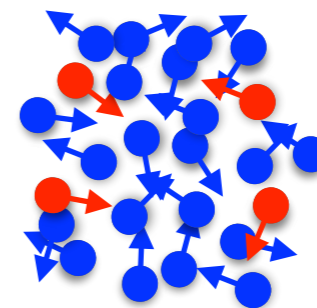
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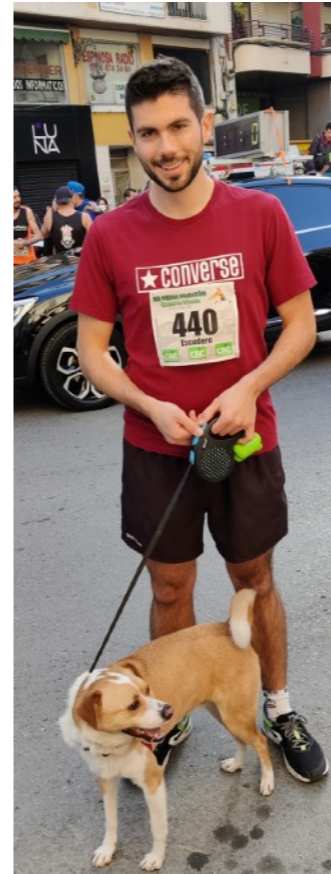


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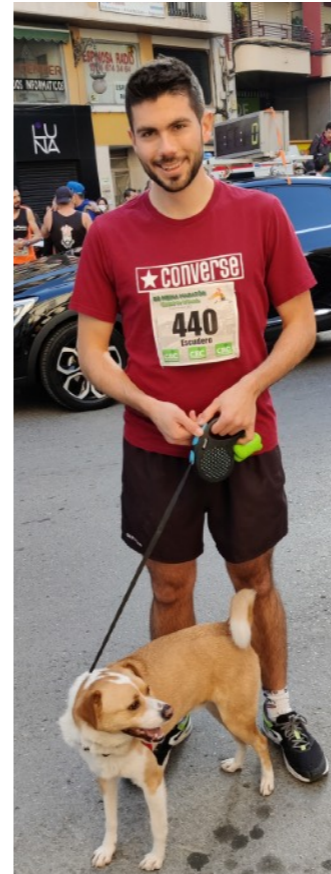


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