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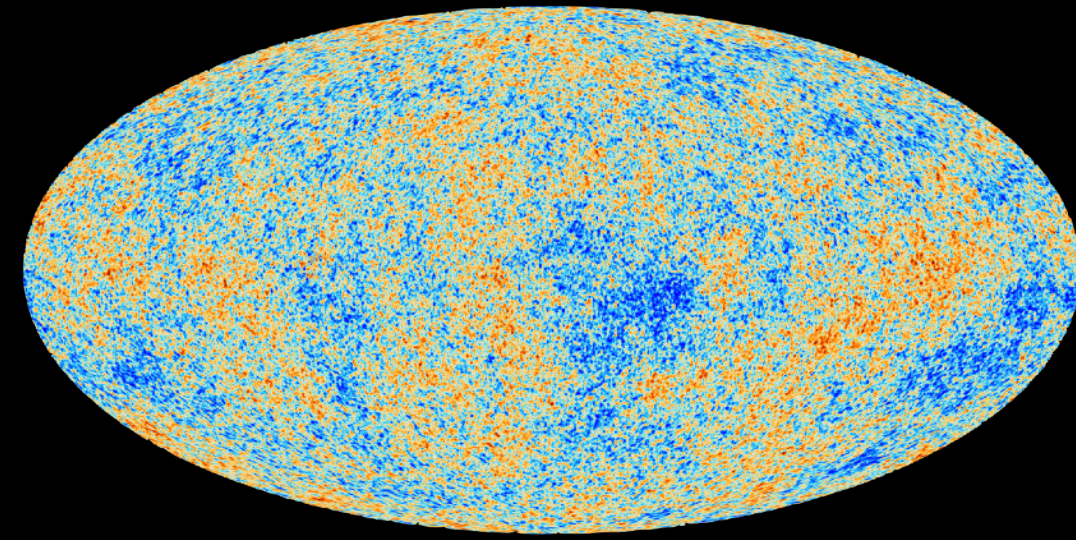
DARK MATTER THEORY

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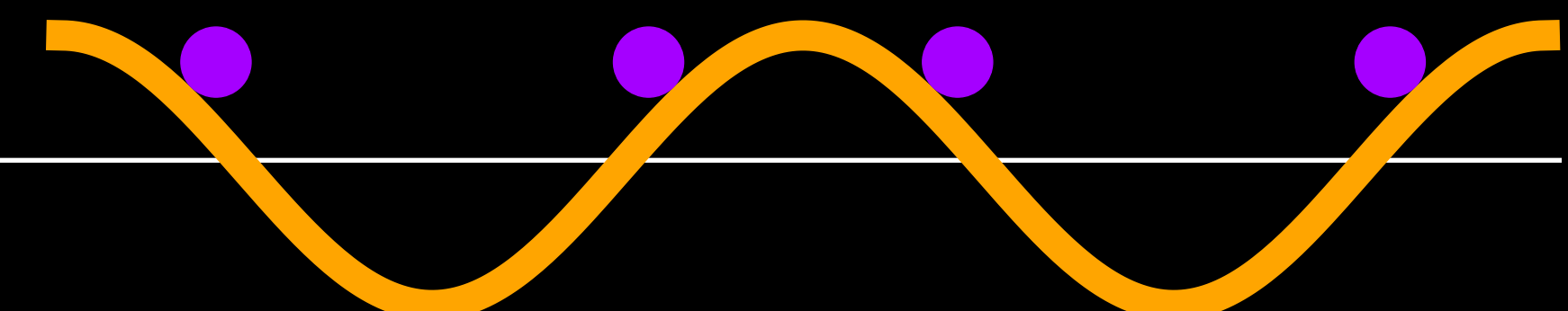
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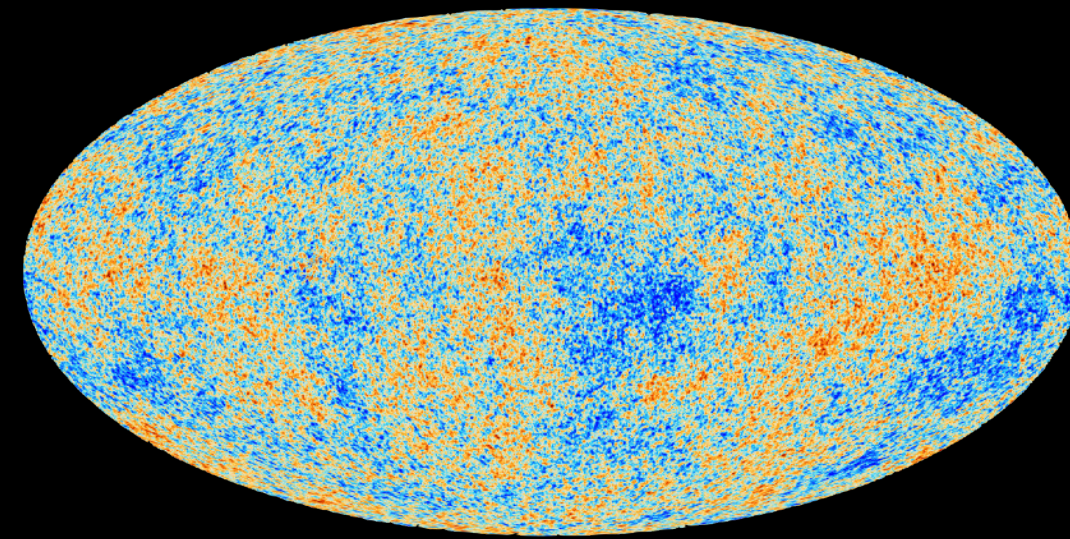
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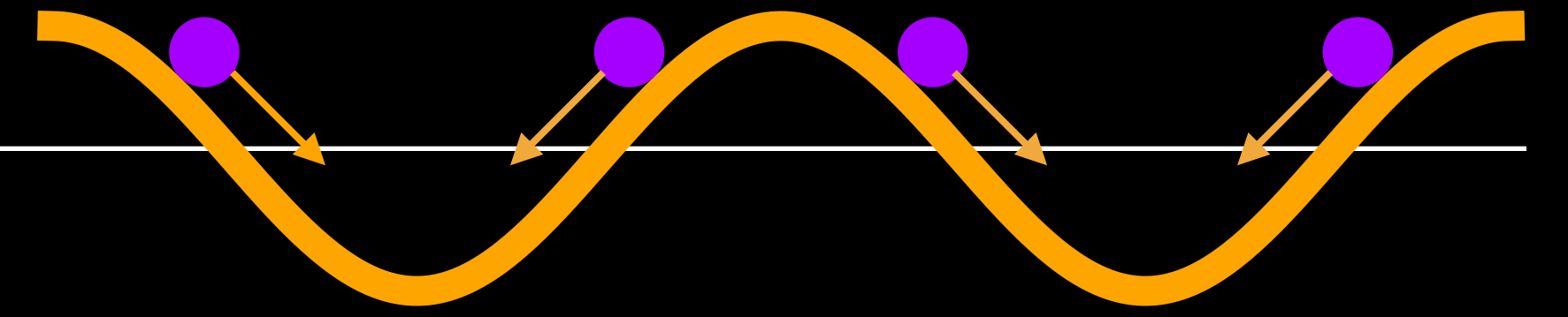
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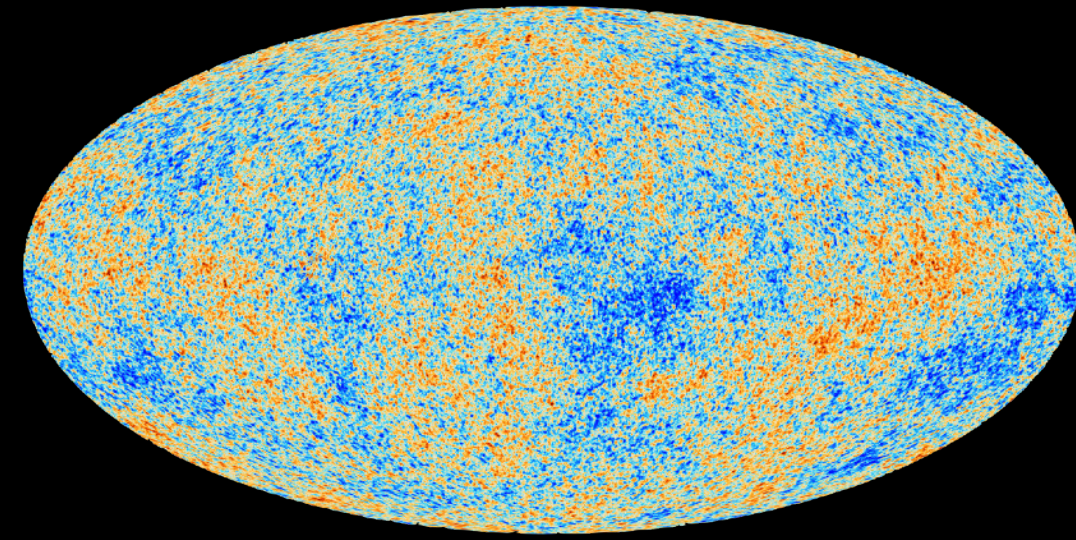
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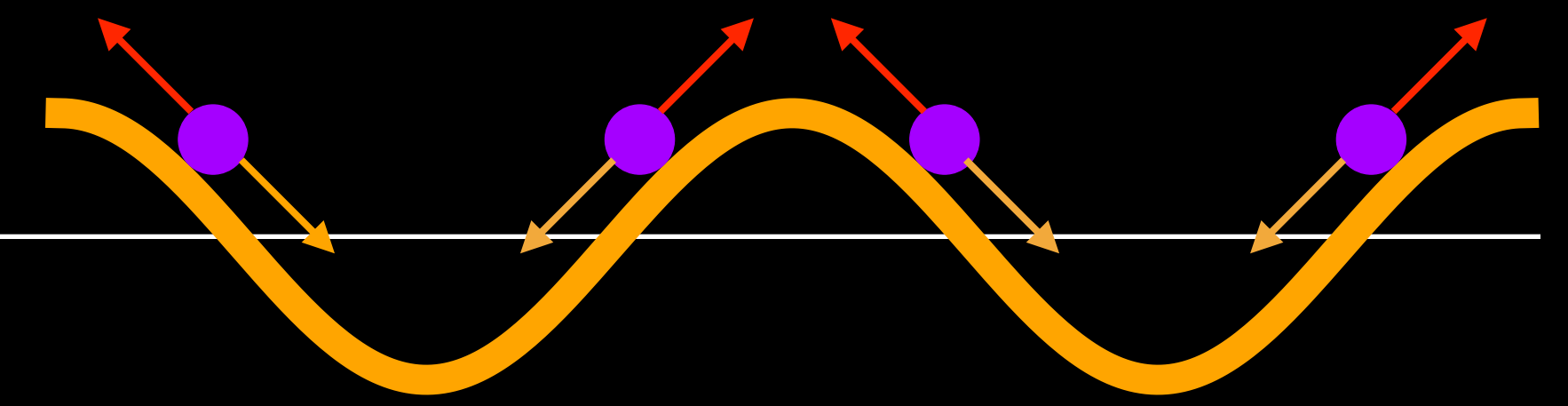


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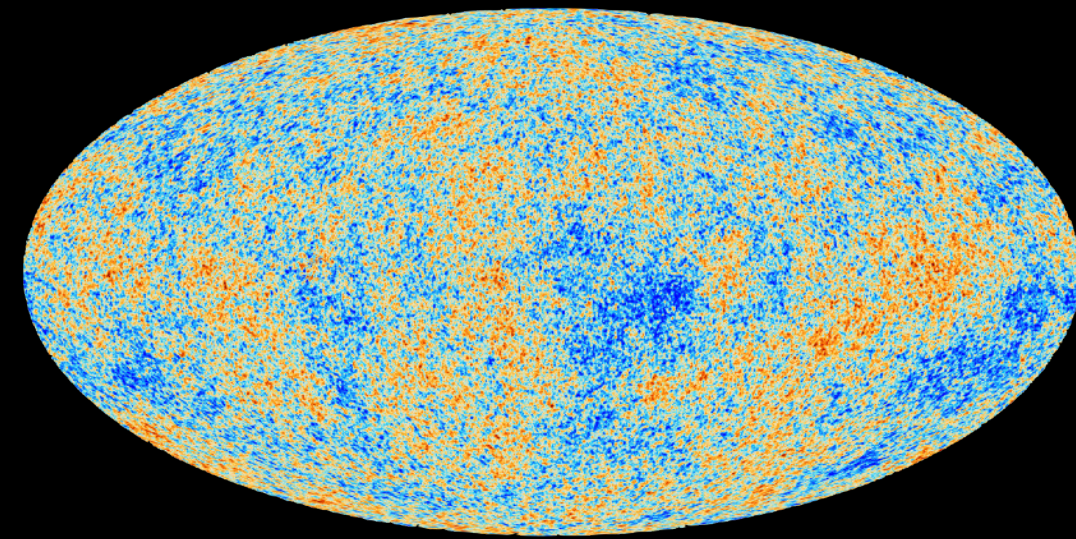
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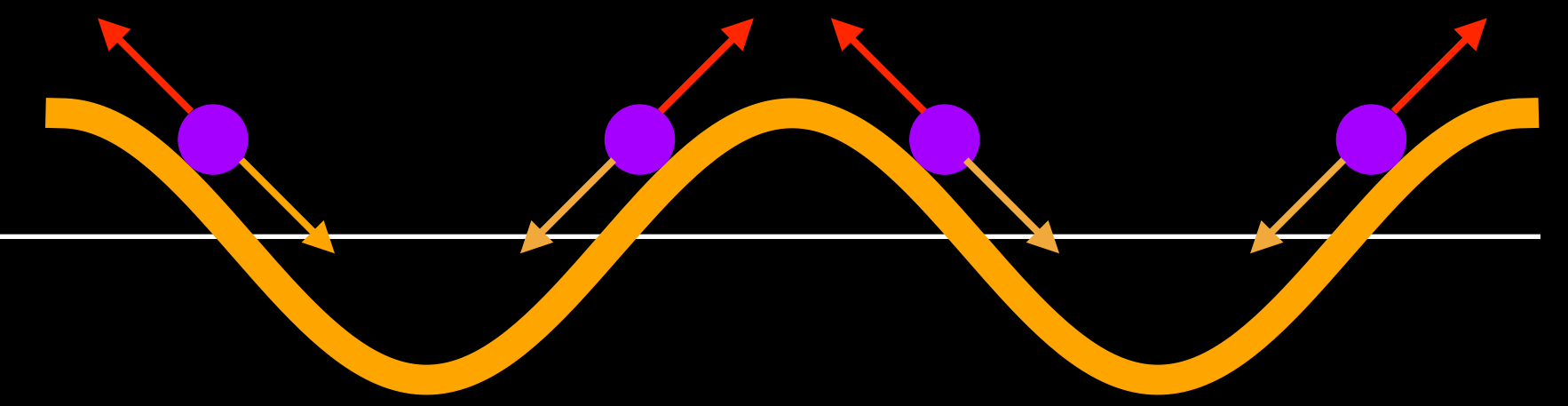


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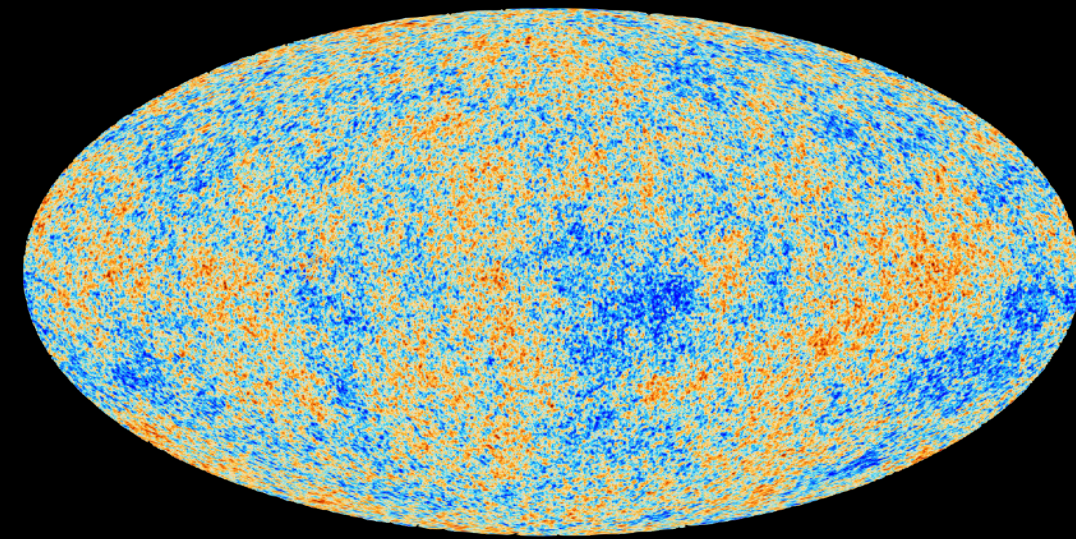
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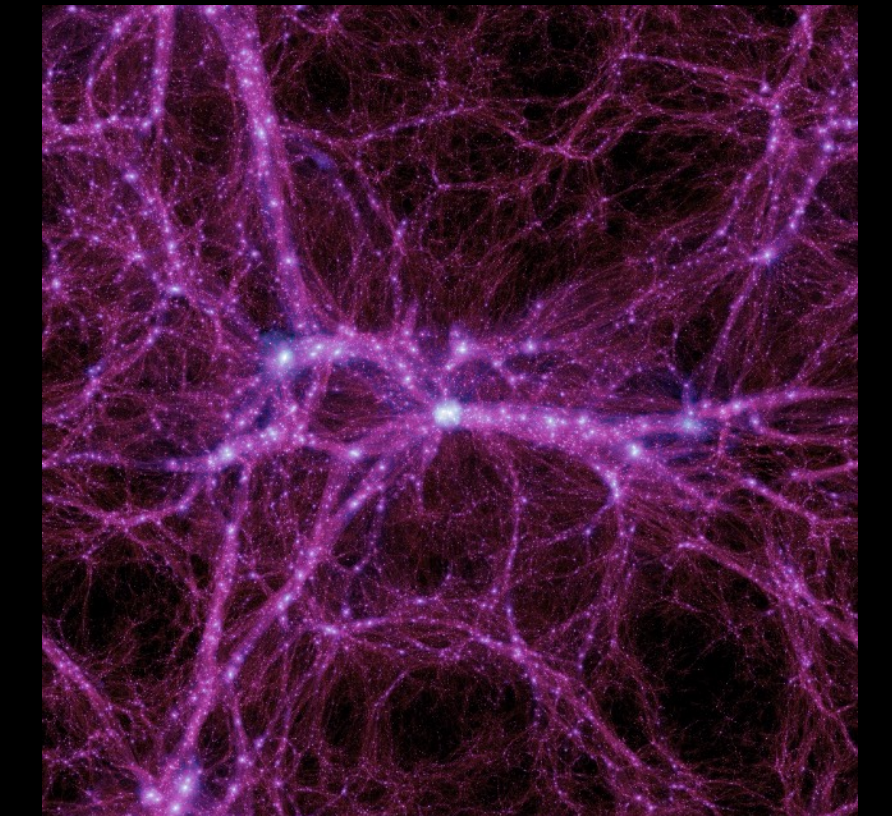
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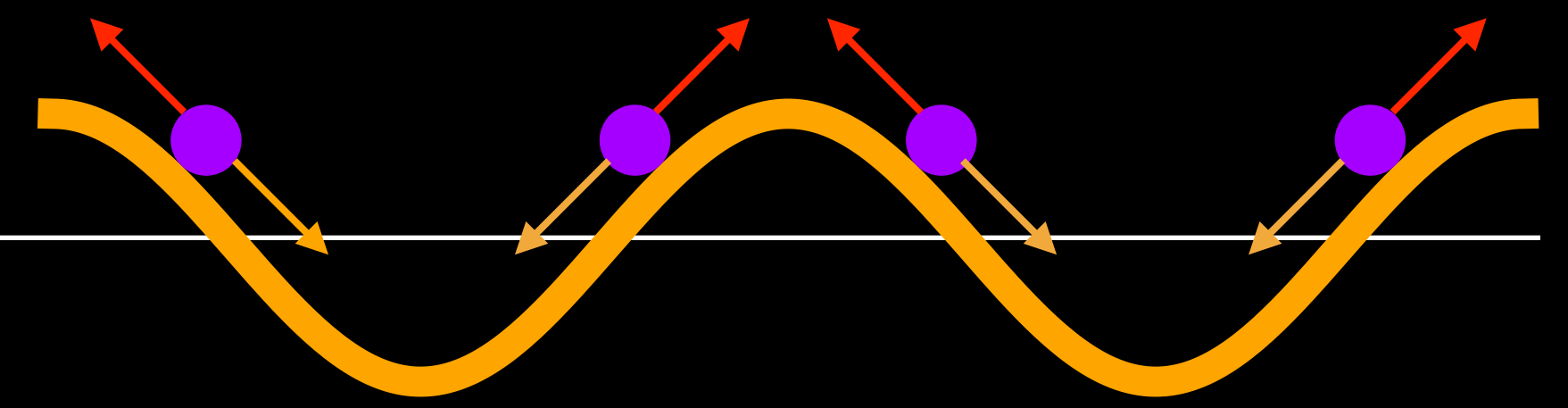
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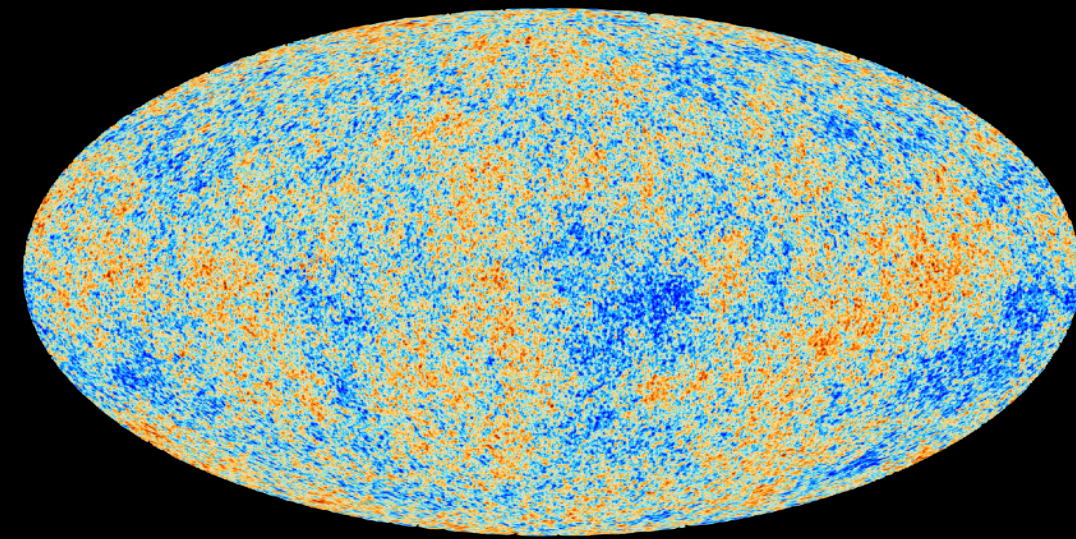


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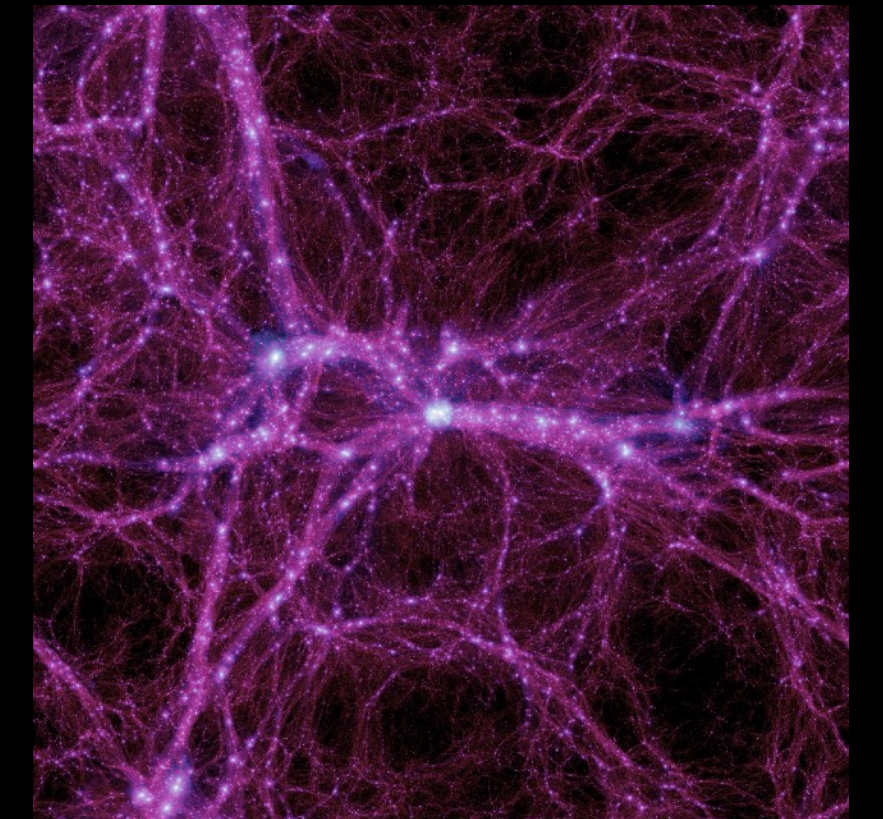


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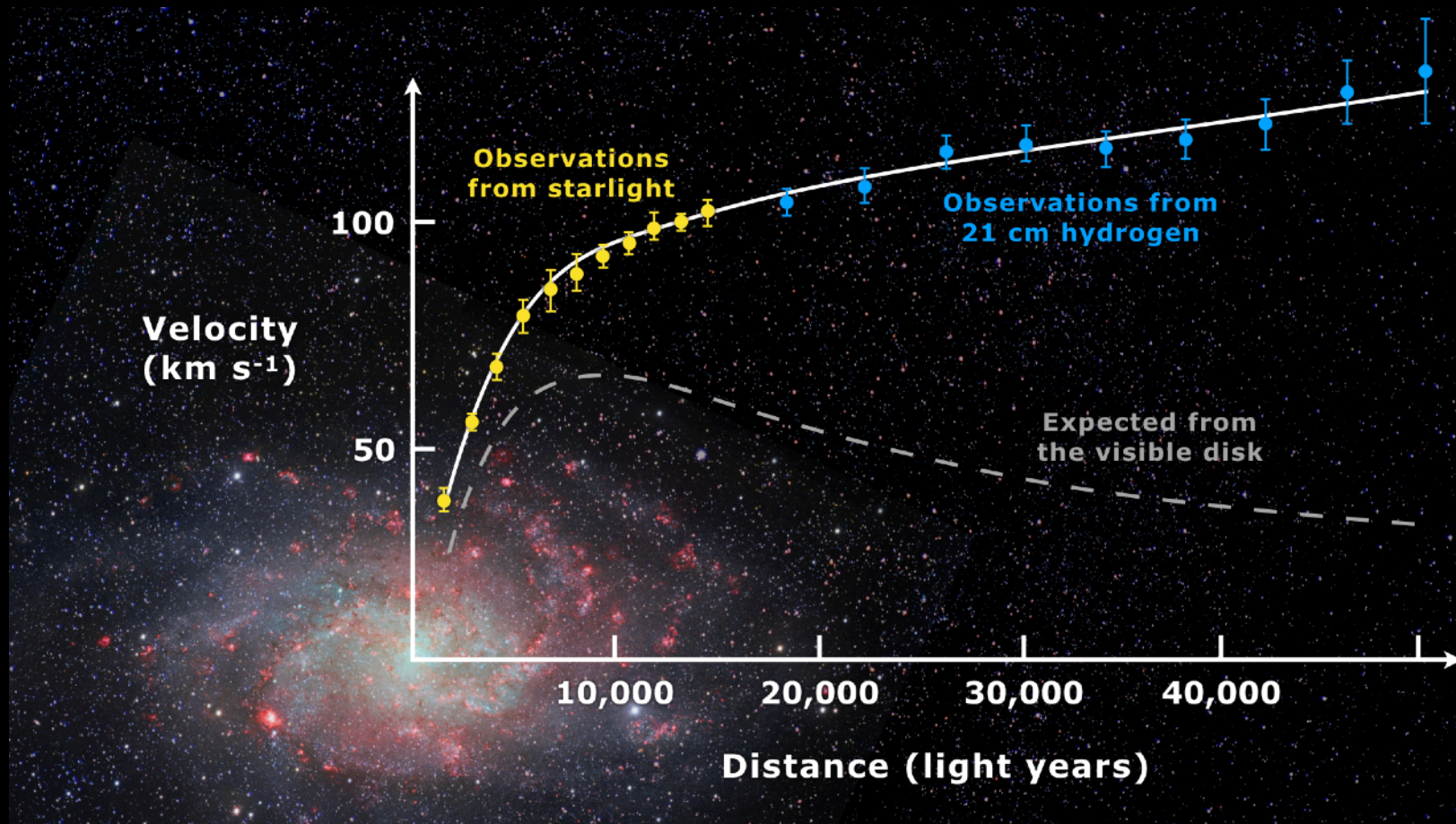
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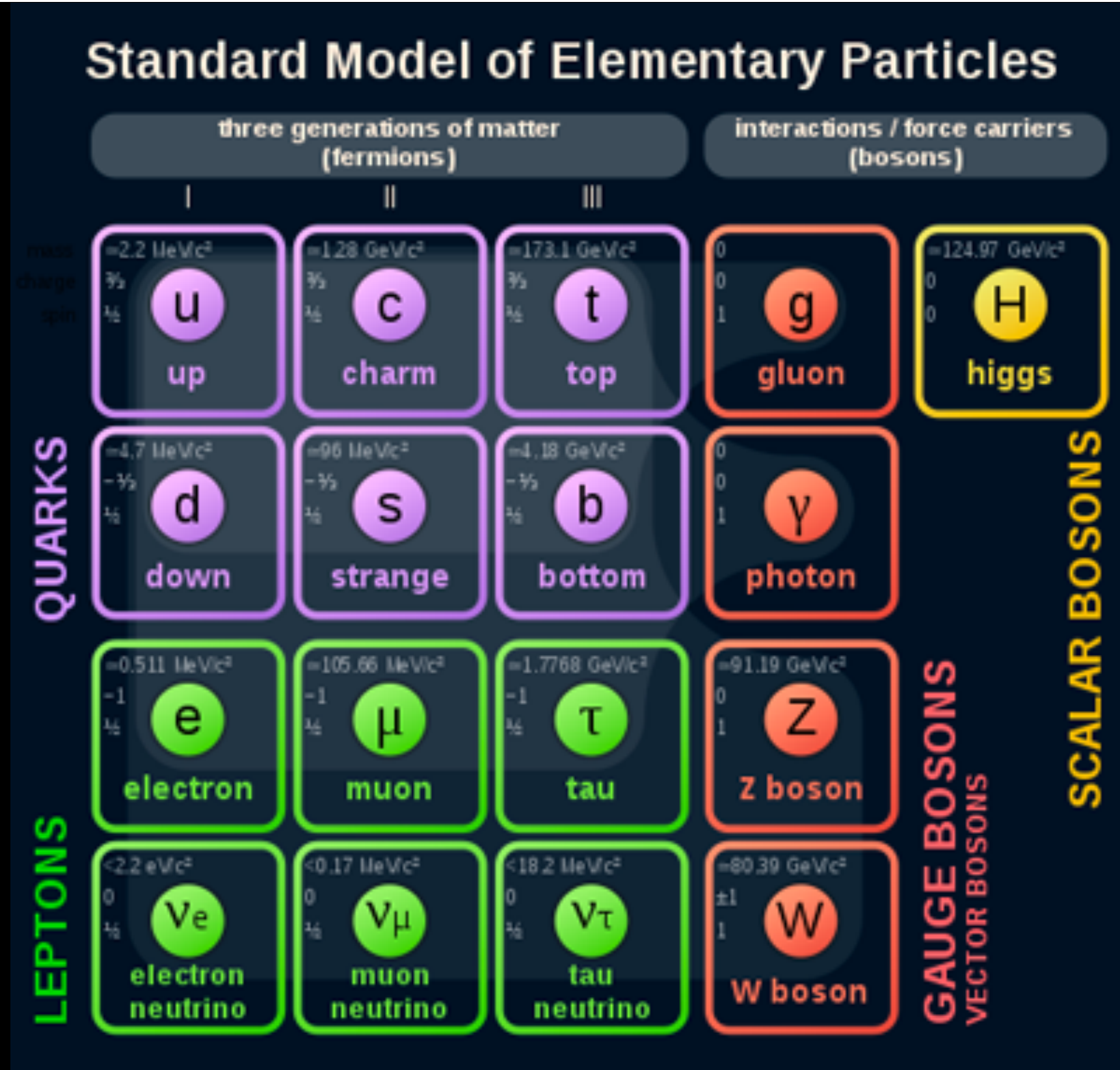


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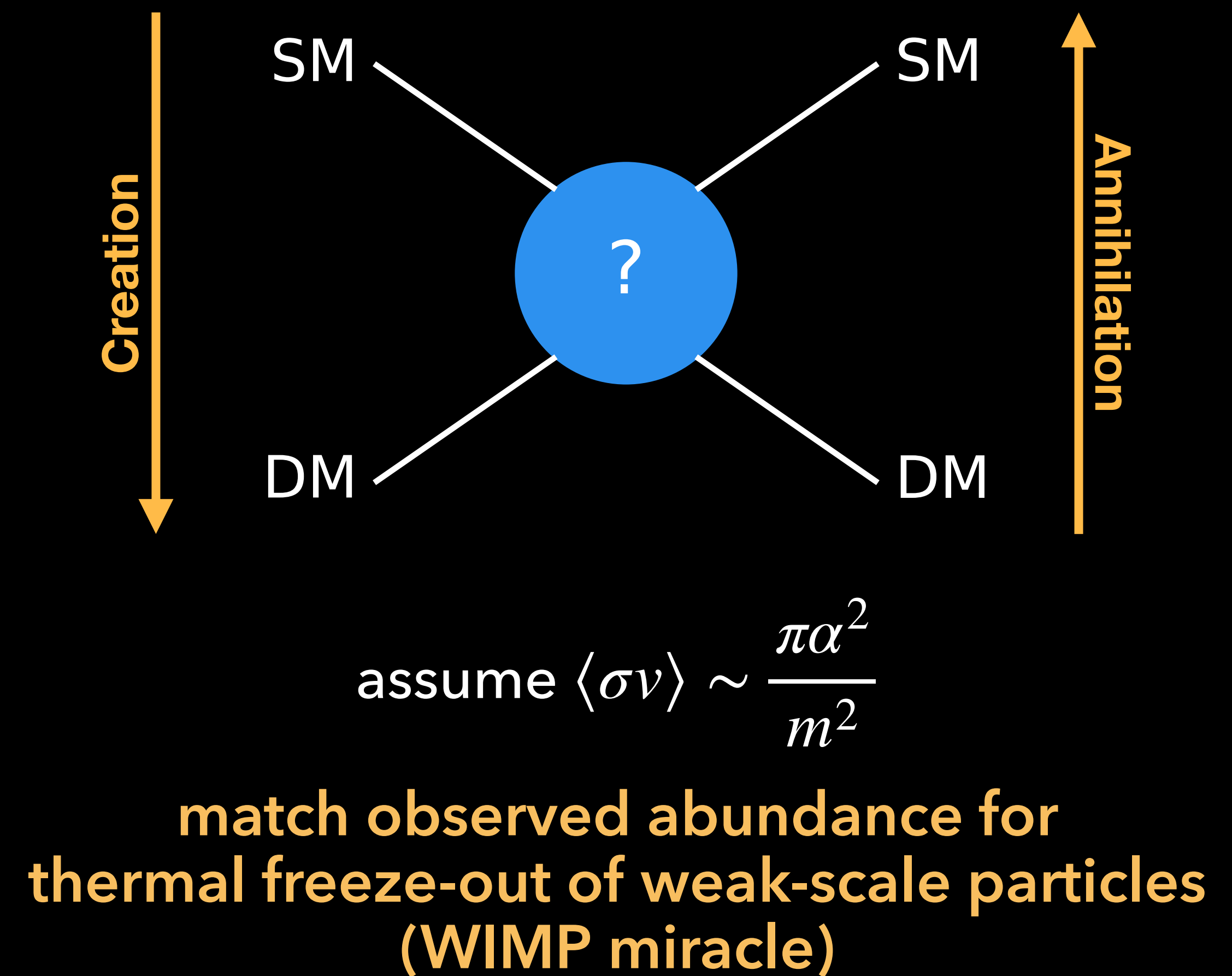
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Standard Model of Elementary Particles

three generations of matter (fermions)			interactions / force carriers (bosons)	
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$\approx 0.511 \text{ MeV}c^2$ $-\frac{1}{2}$ e electron	$\approx 105.66 \text{ MeV}c^2$ $-\frac{1}{2}$ μ muon	$\approx 1.7768 \text{ GeV}c^2$ $-\frac{1}{2}$ τ tau	$\approx 91.19 \text{ GeV}c^2$ 0 1 Z Z boson	SCALAR BOSONS GAUGE BOSONS VECTOR BOSONS
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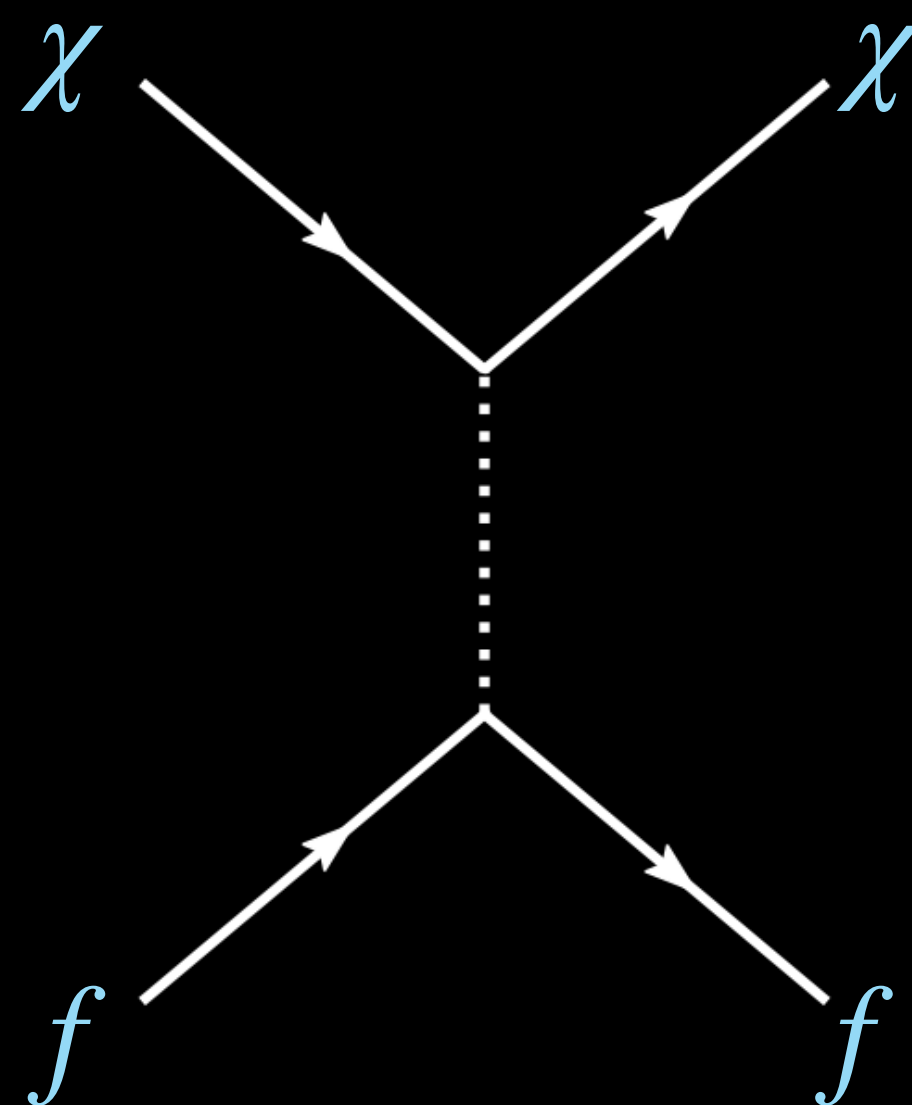


Dark matter could be lightest supersymmetric particle in MSSM framework

WIMP Searches

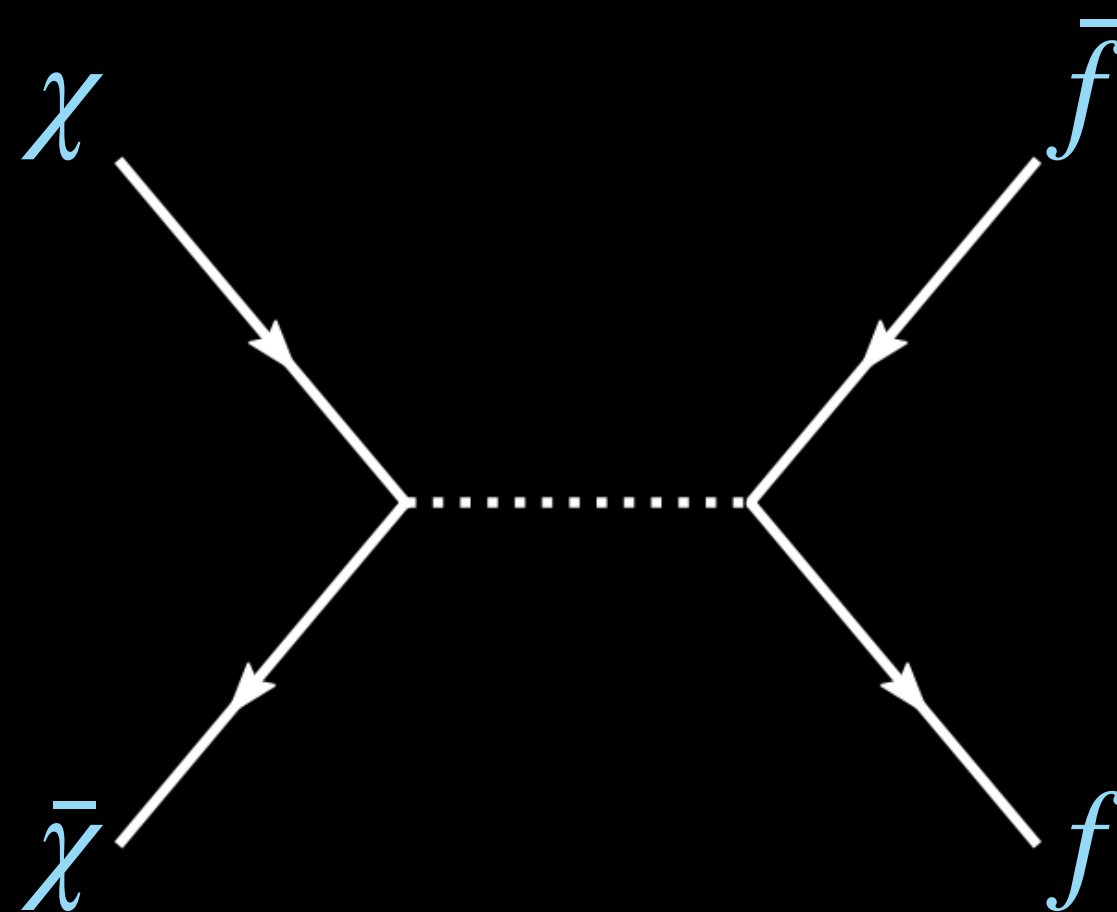
- ◆ Dedicated searches of WIMPs through interactions with Standard Model via:

direct detection



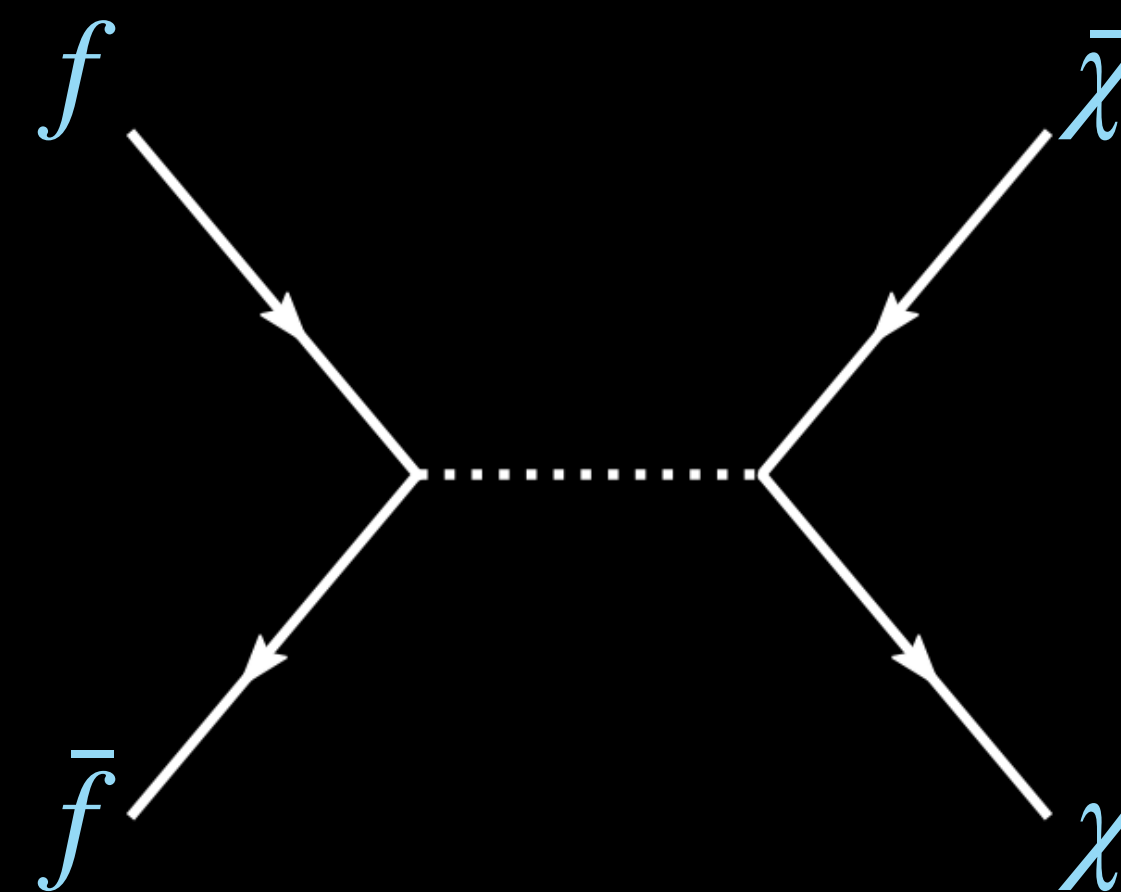
See plenary talks by Peter Sorensen,
Enectali Figueroa-Feliciano

indirect detection



See plenary talks by Francesca Calore,
Emmanuel Moulin

production at colliders



See plenary talks by Rebeca Gonzalez Suarez,
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- ◆ But landscape of possibilities is much broader

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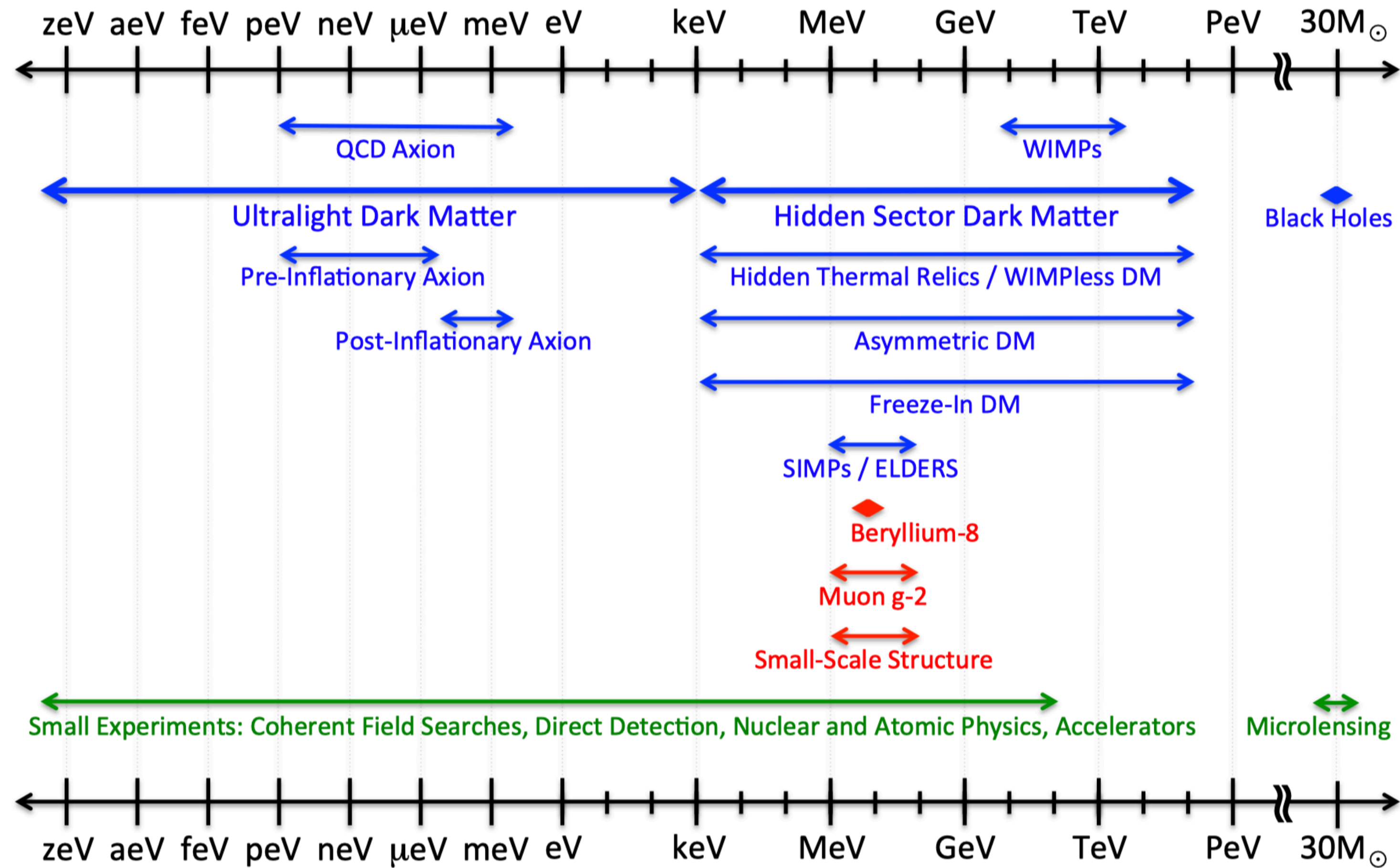
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"nightmare scenario": dark sector may be secluded

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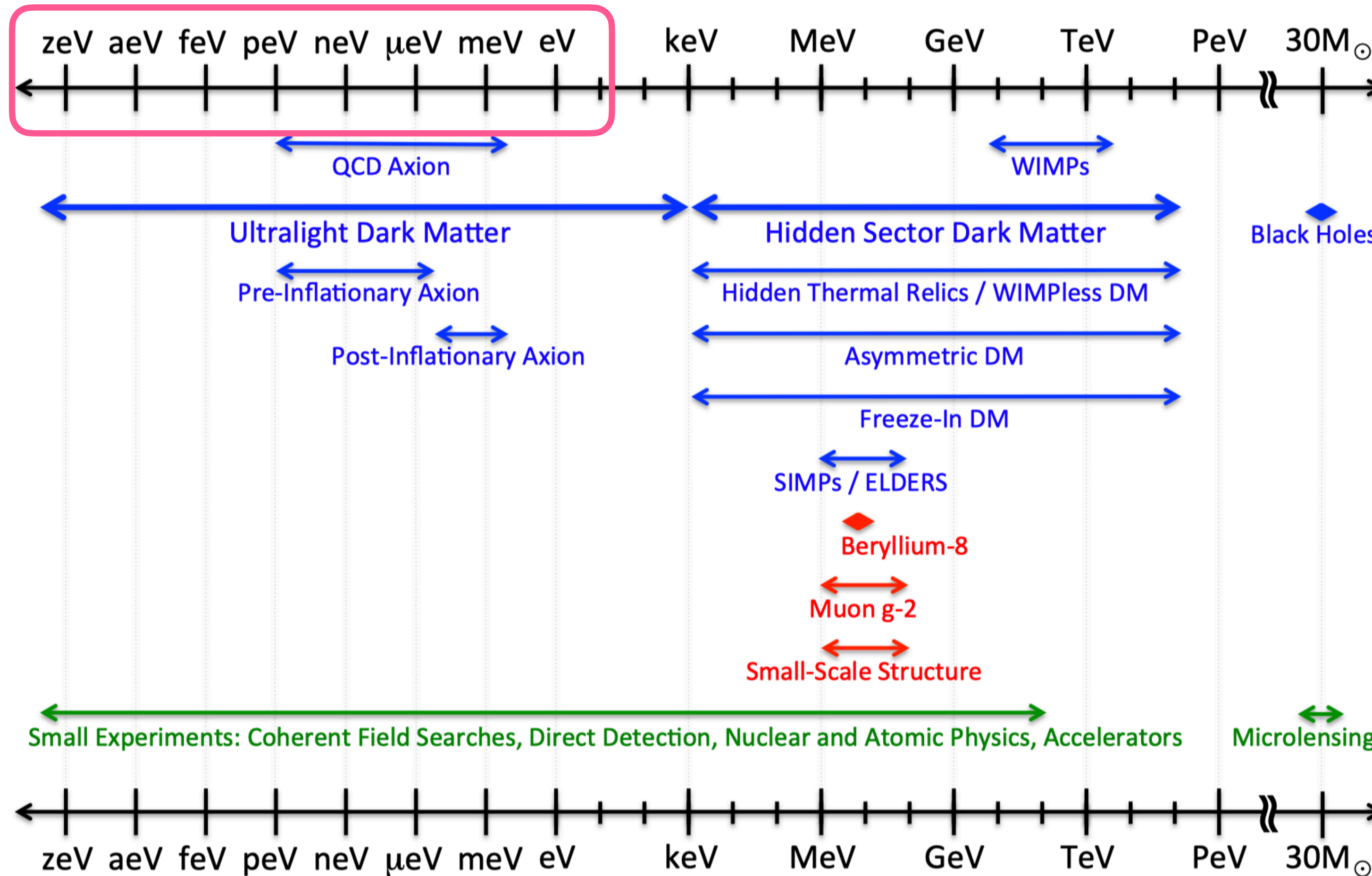


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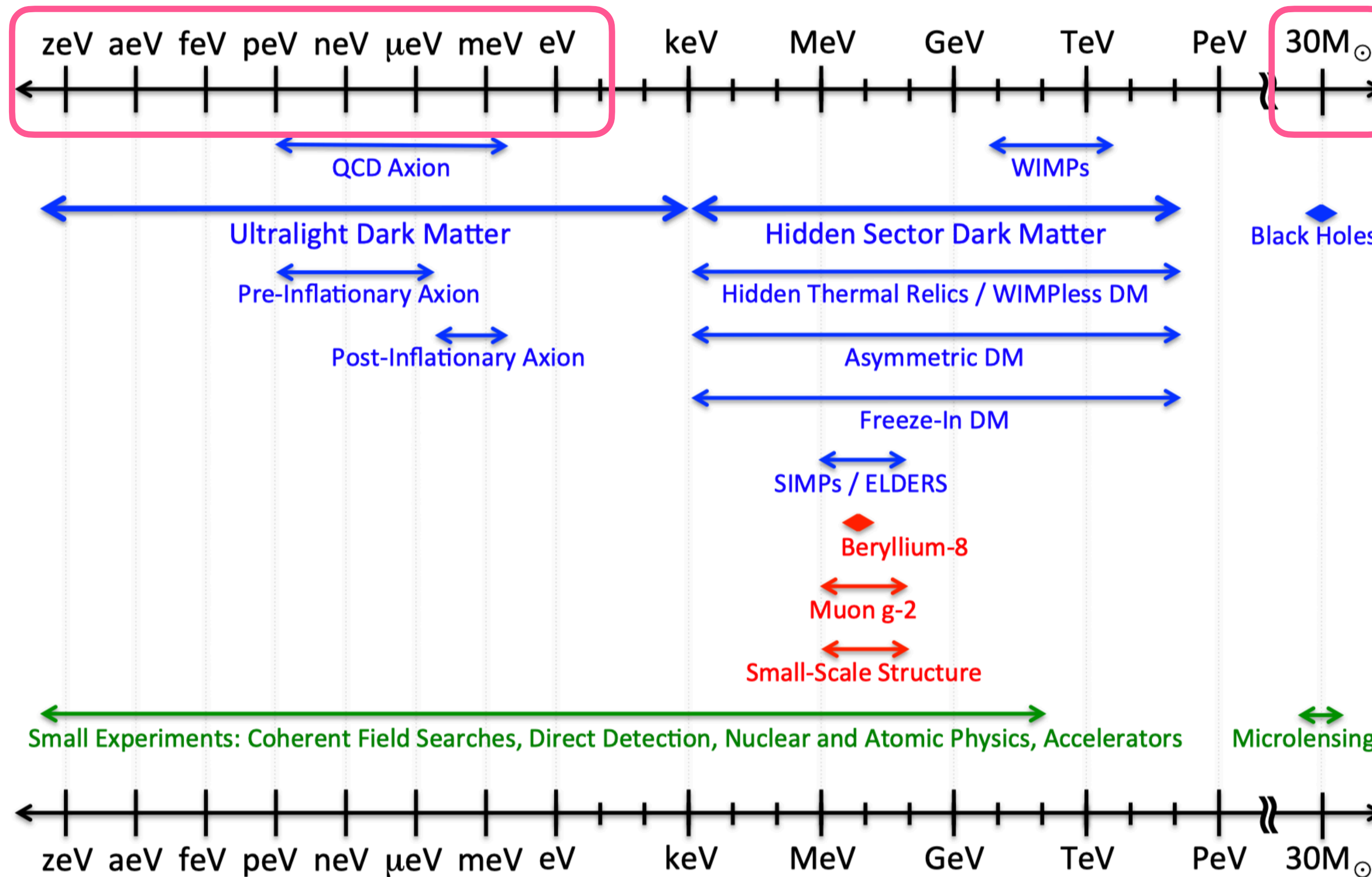
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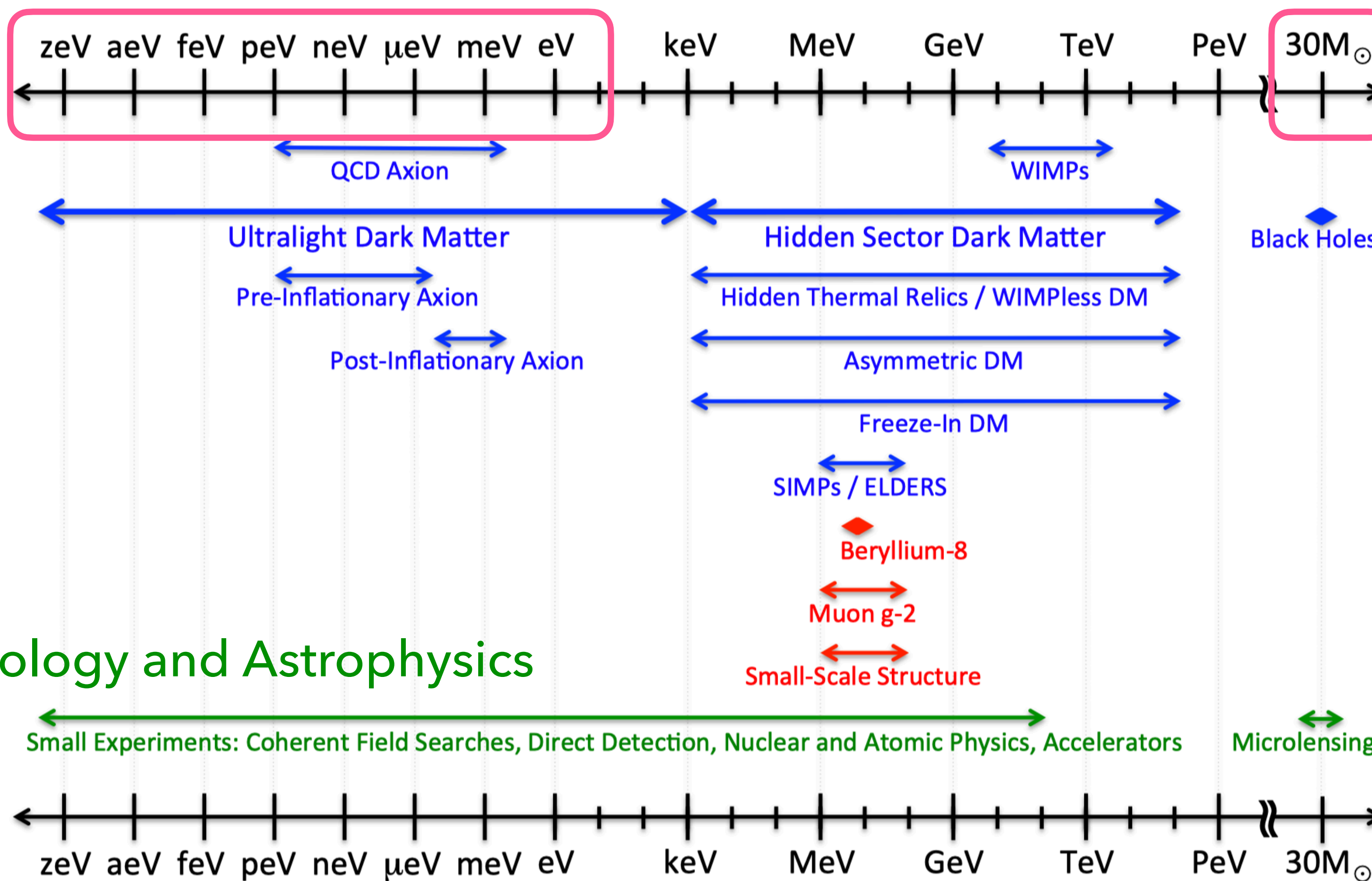
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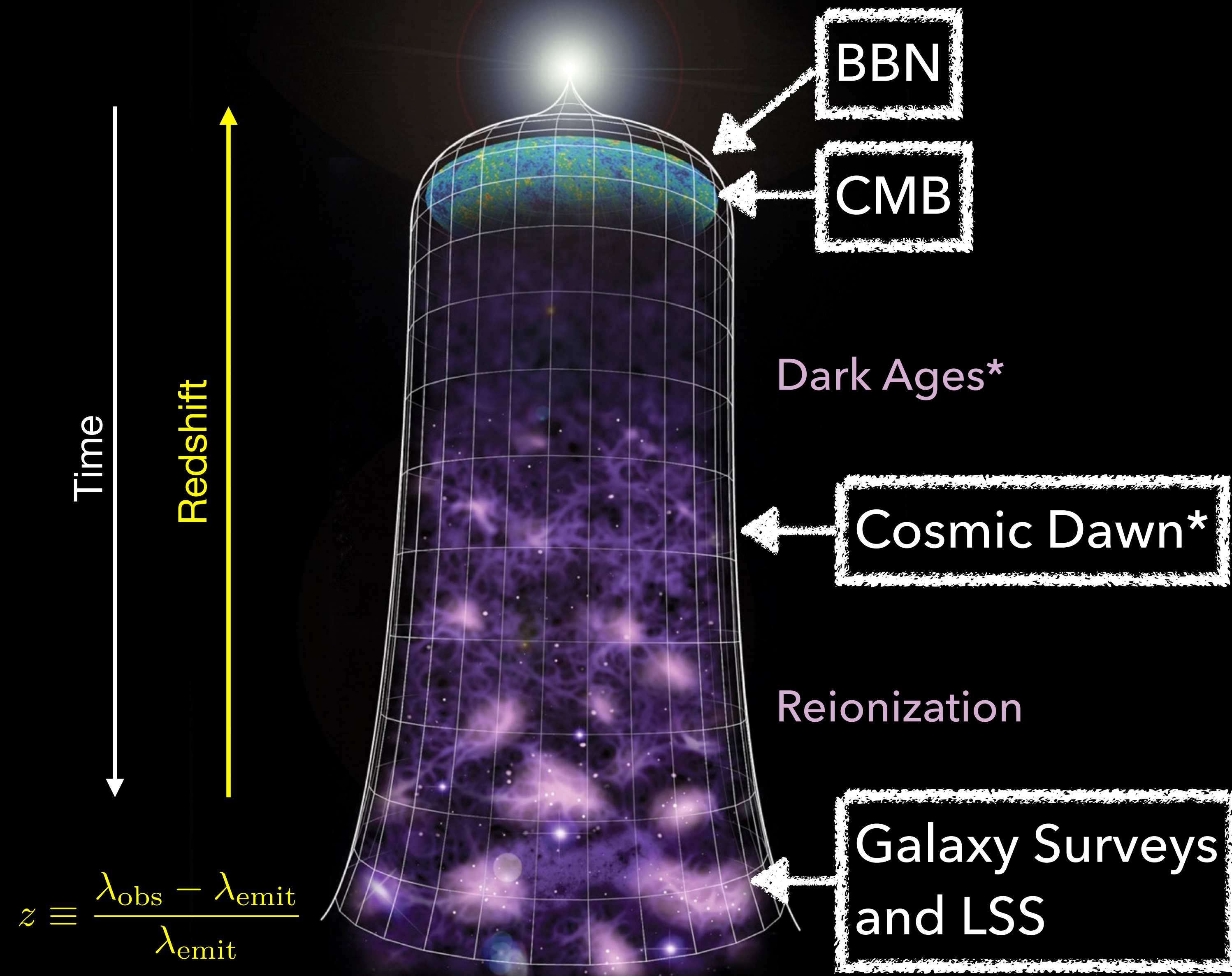
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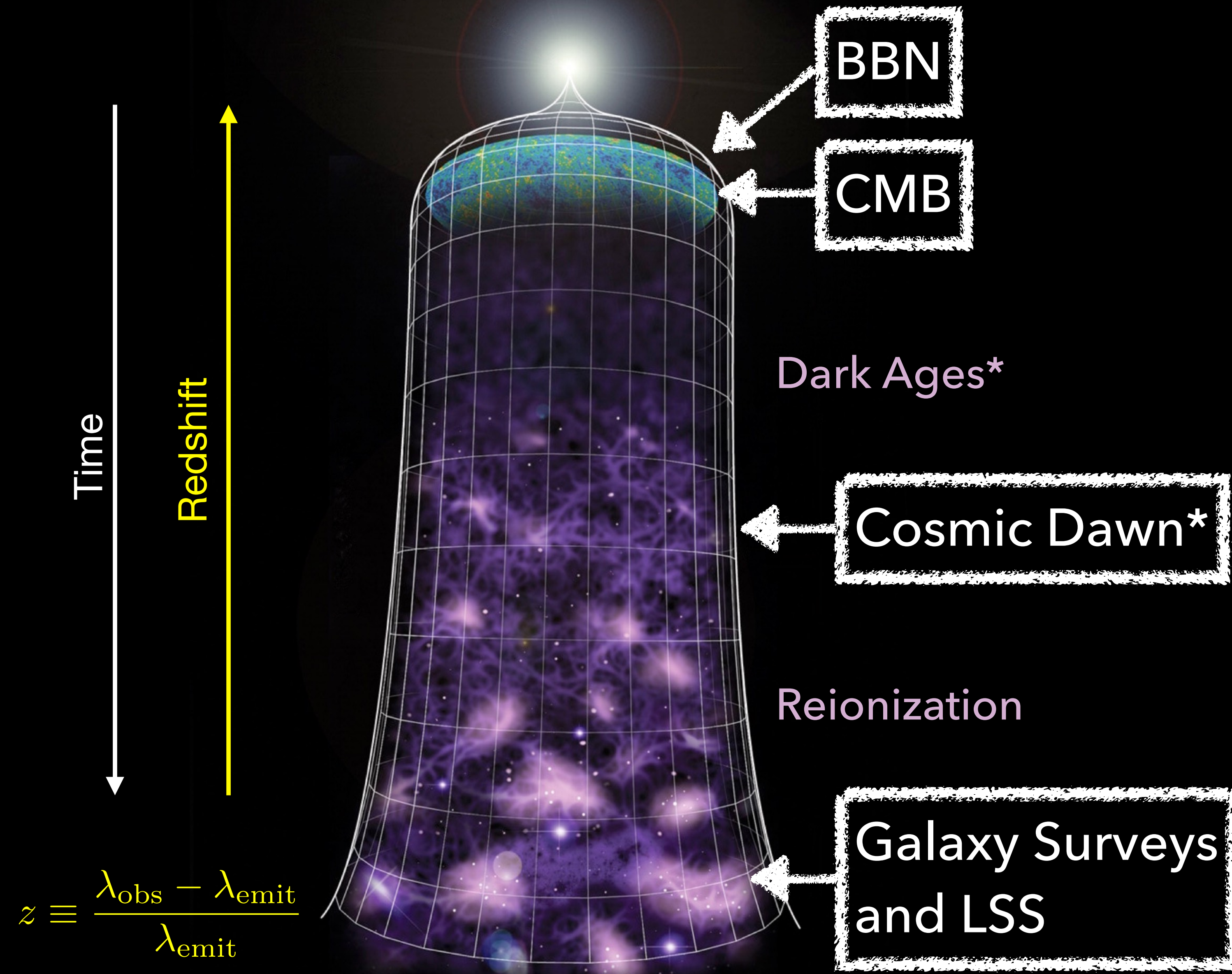


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Cosmic History

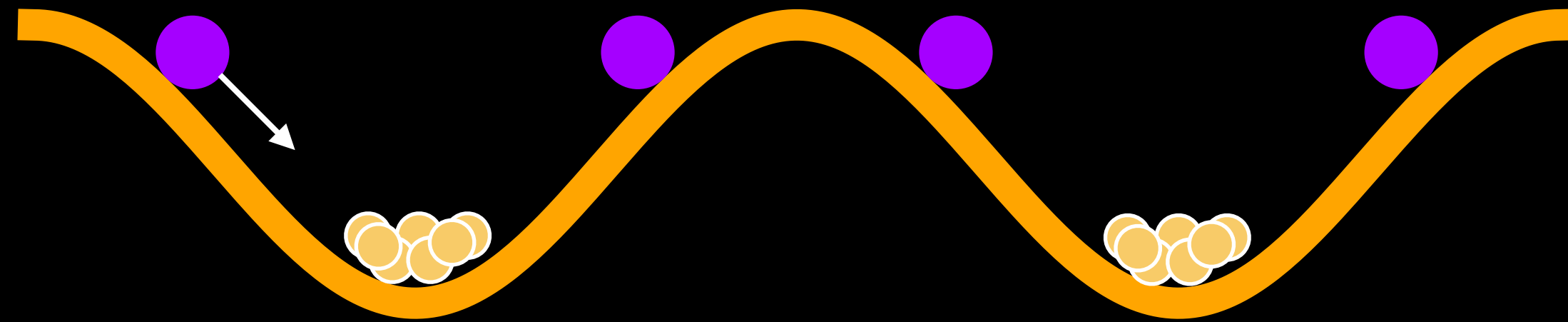


Cosmic History



- ◆ Dark matter (dark sector) properties and/or interactions can affect structure formation (and thus star/galaxy formation)
- ◆ Observed large-scale structure well-described by Λ CDM
- ◆ More flexibility at small scales

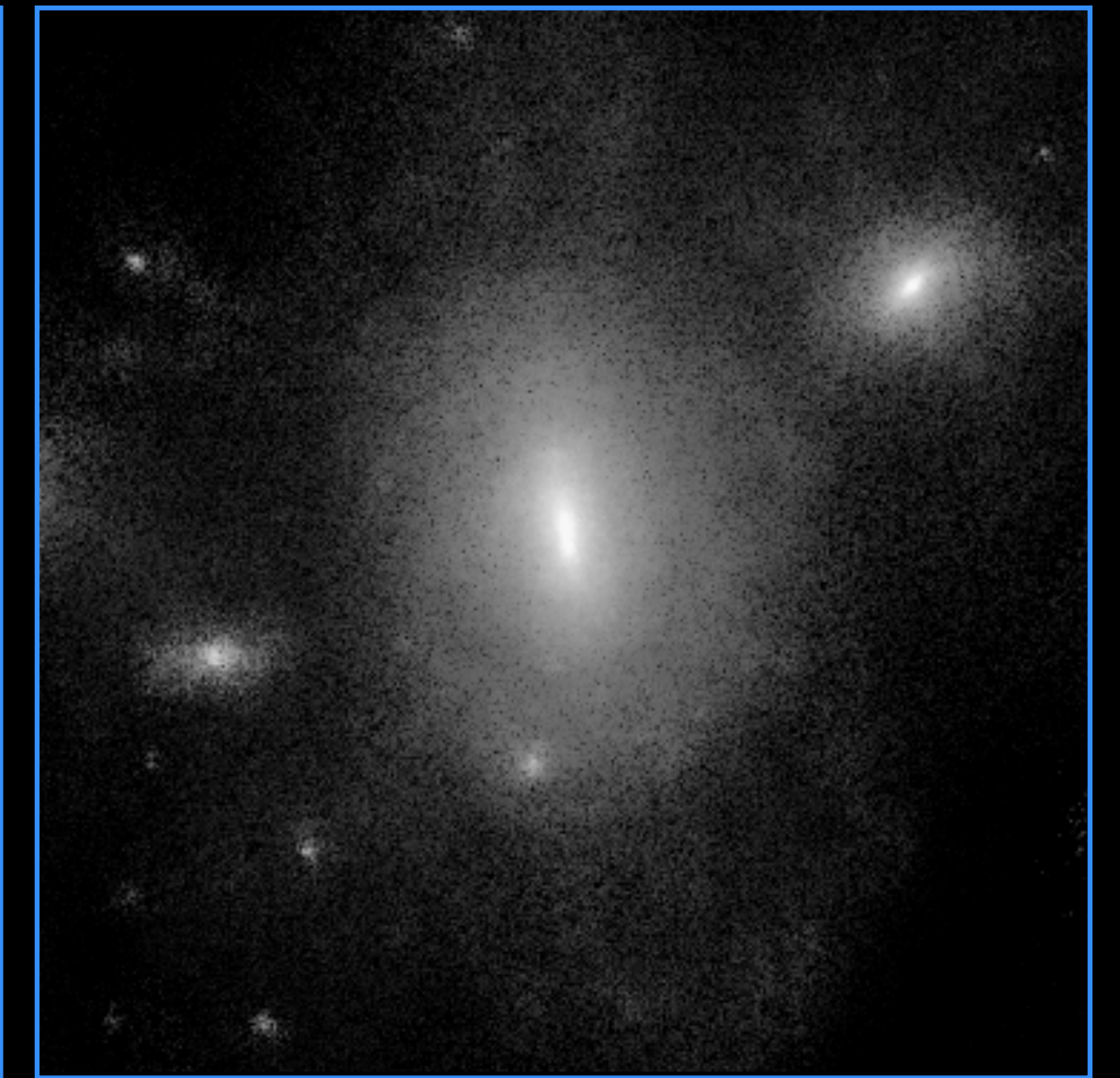
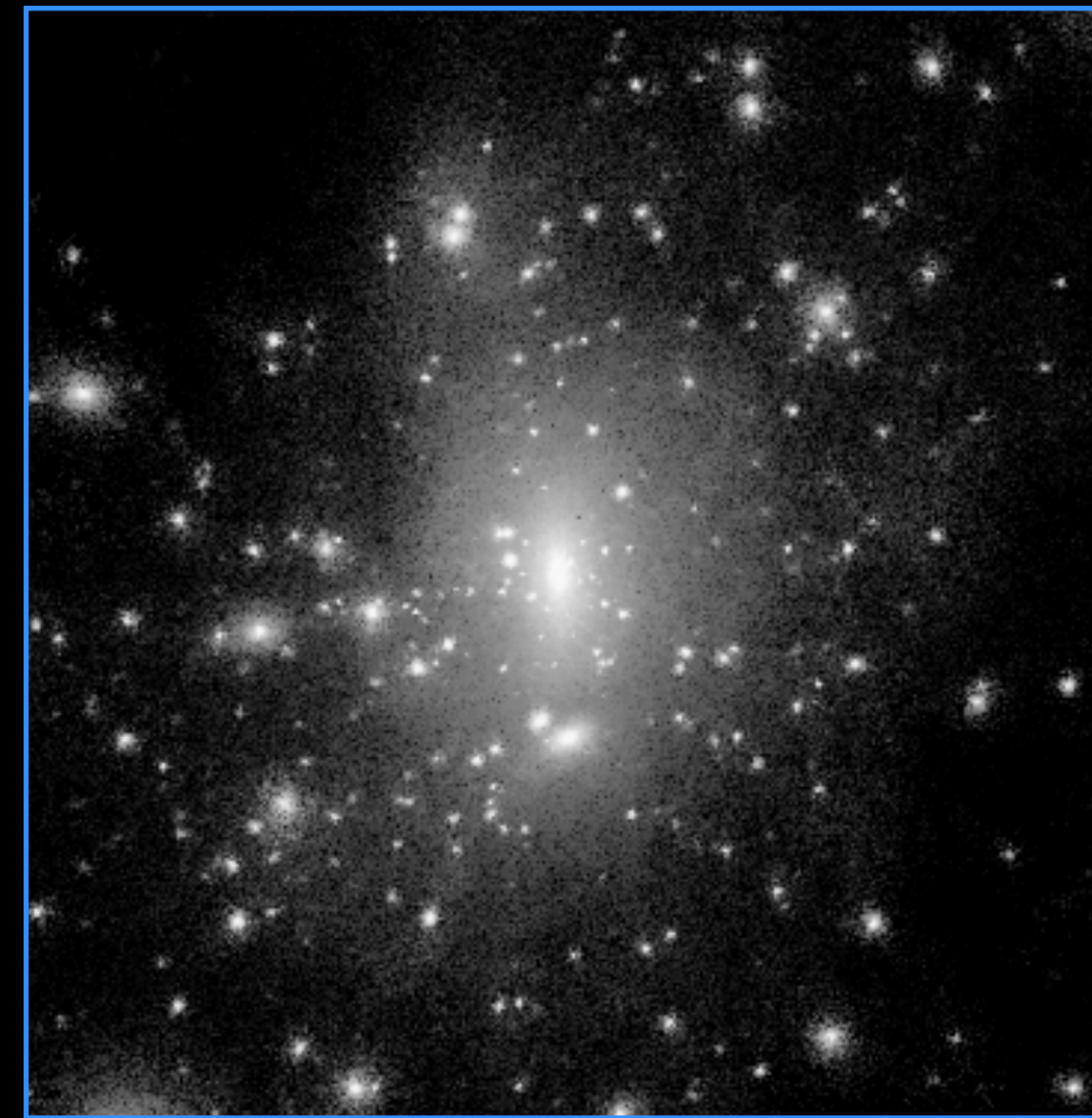
Example: Small-Scale Suppression



In early Universe, interactions wash out small, weakly-bound structures

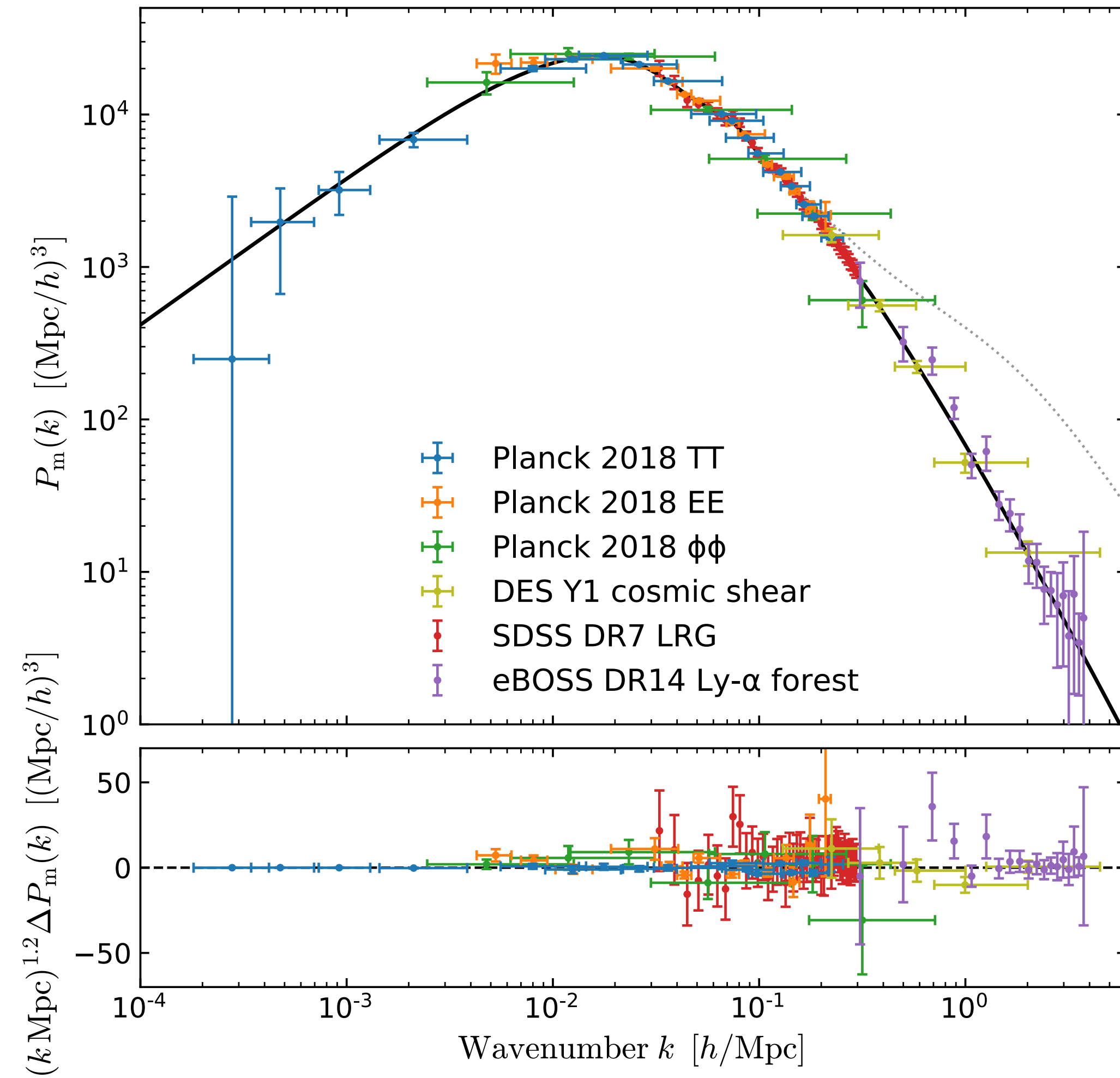
Particle POV: transfer of energy & momentum
Fluid POV: induce drag force

Washed out density perturbations do not exist to collapse and form small-scale structures

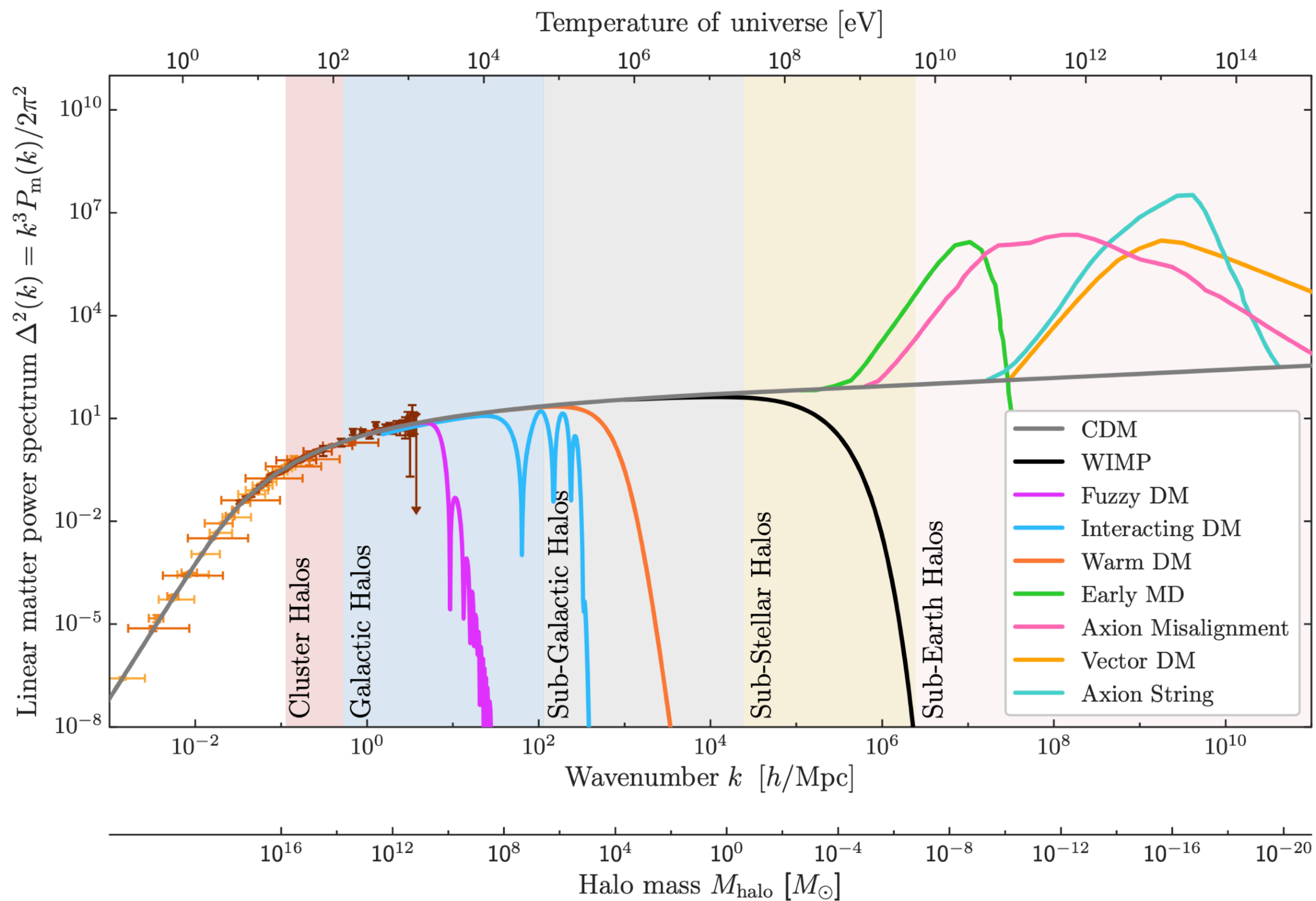
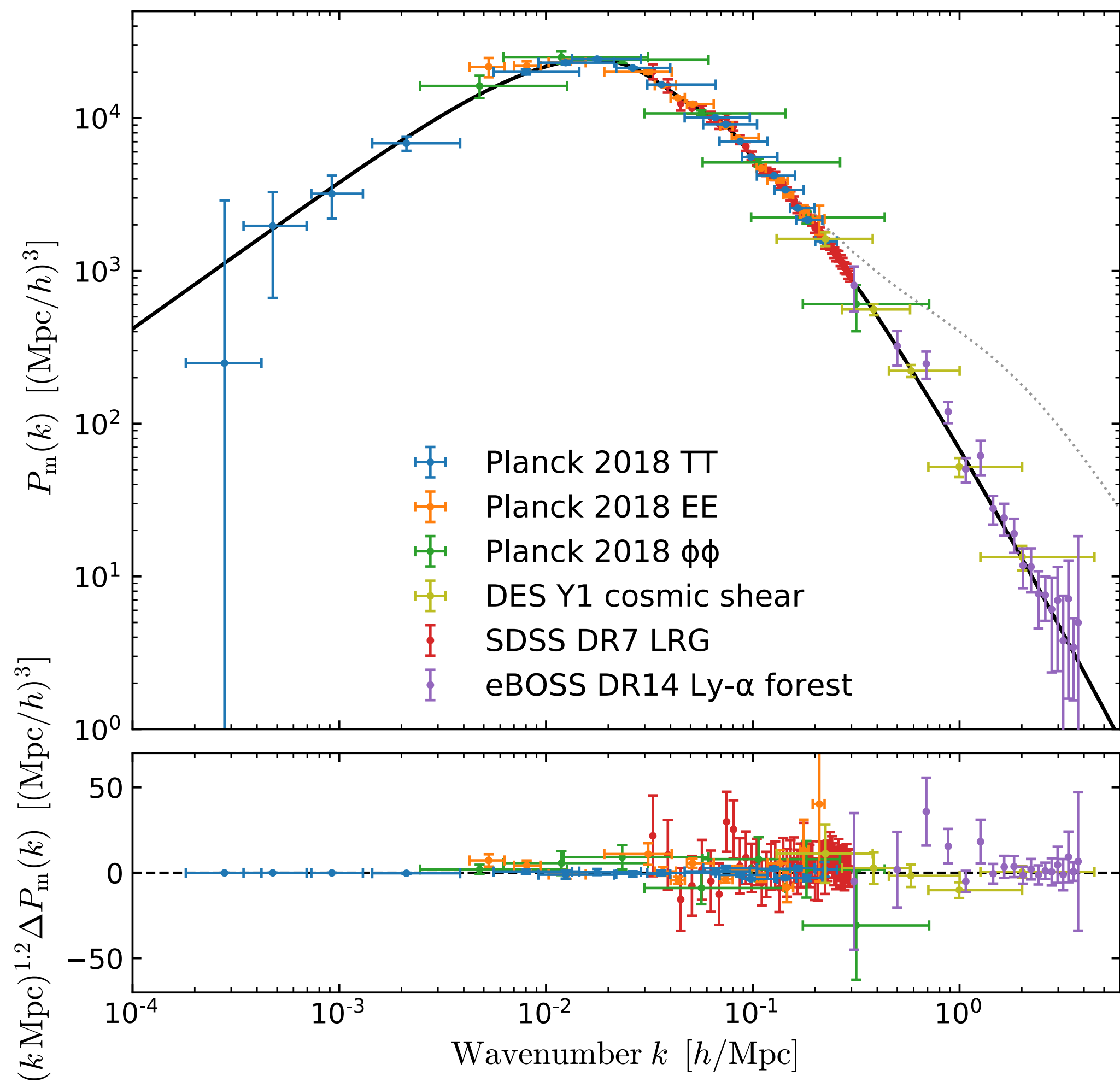


Moore+ (MNRAS, 1999)

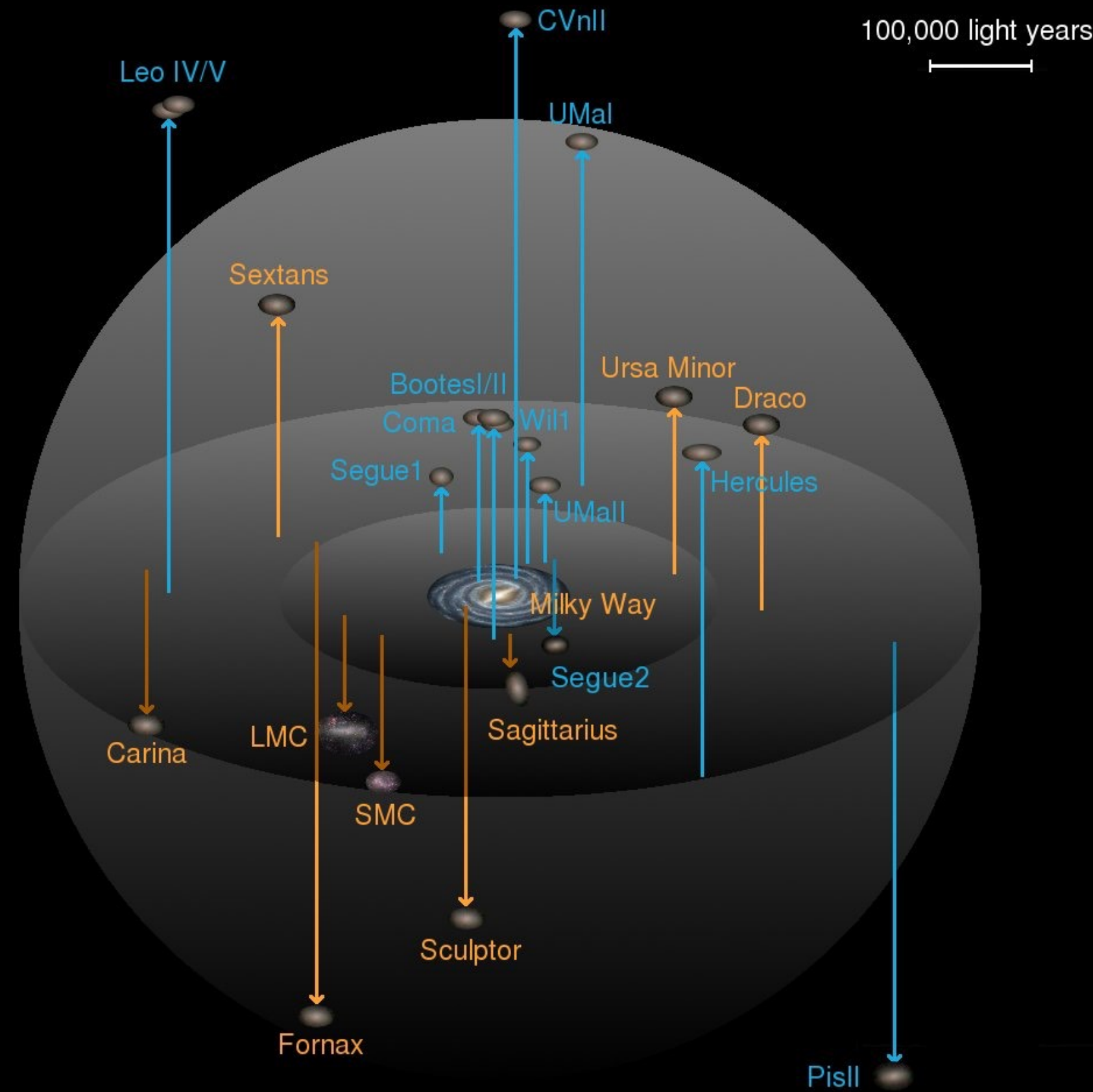
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Milky Way Satellites

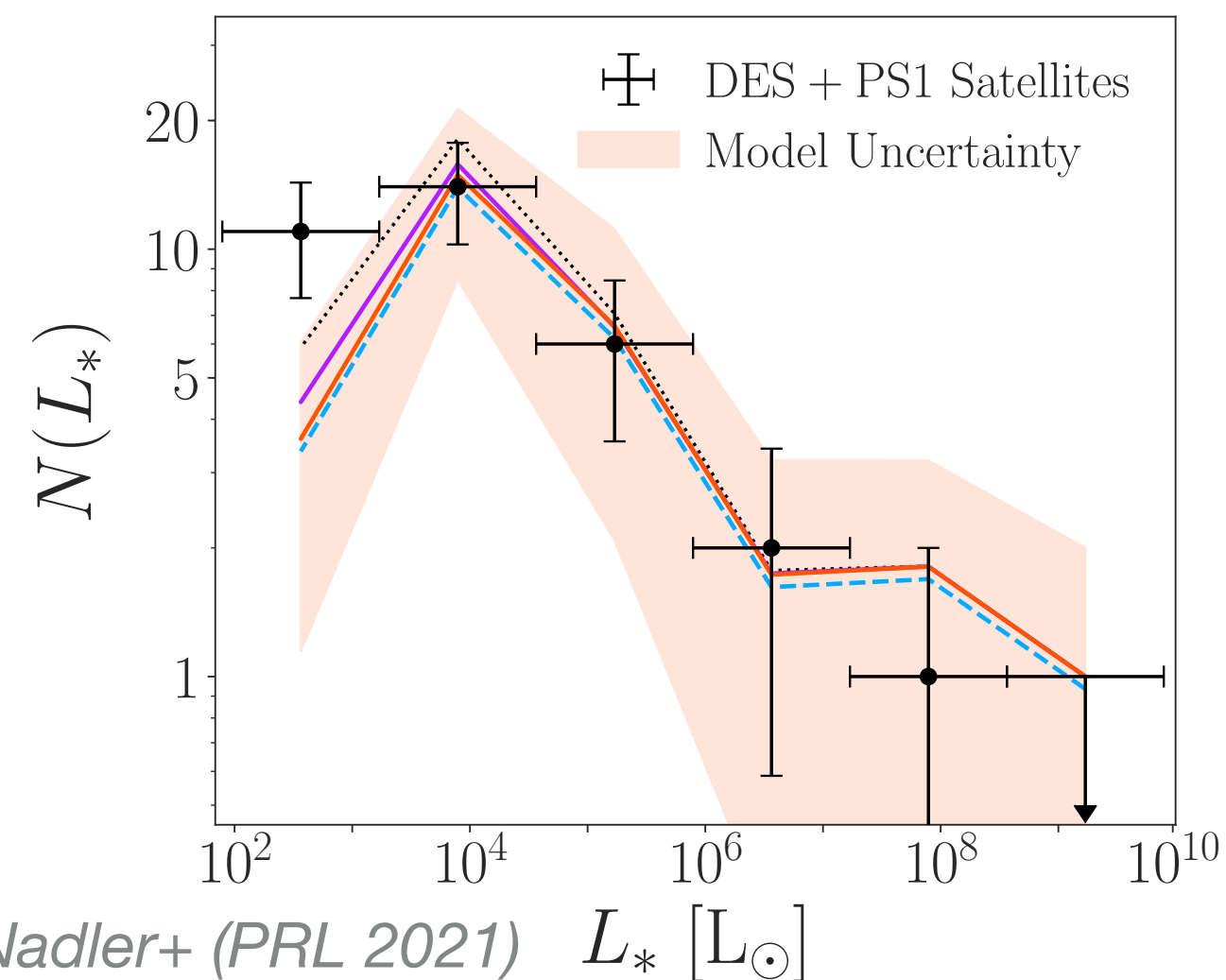
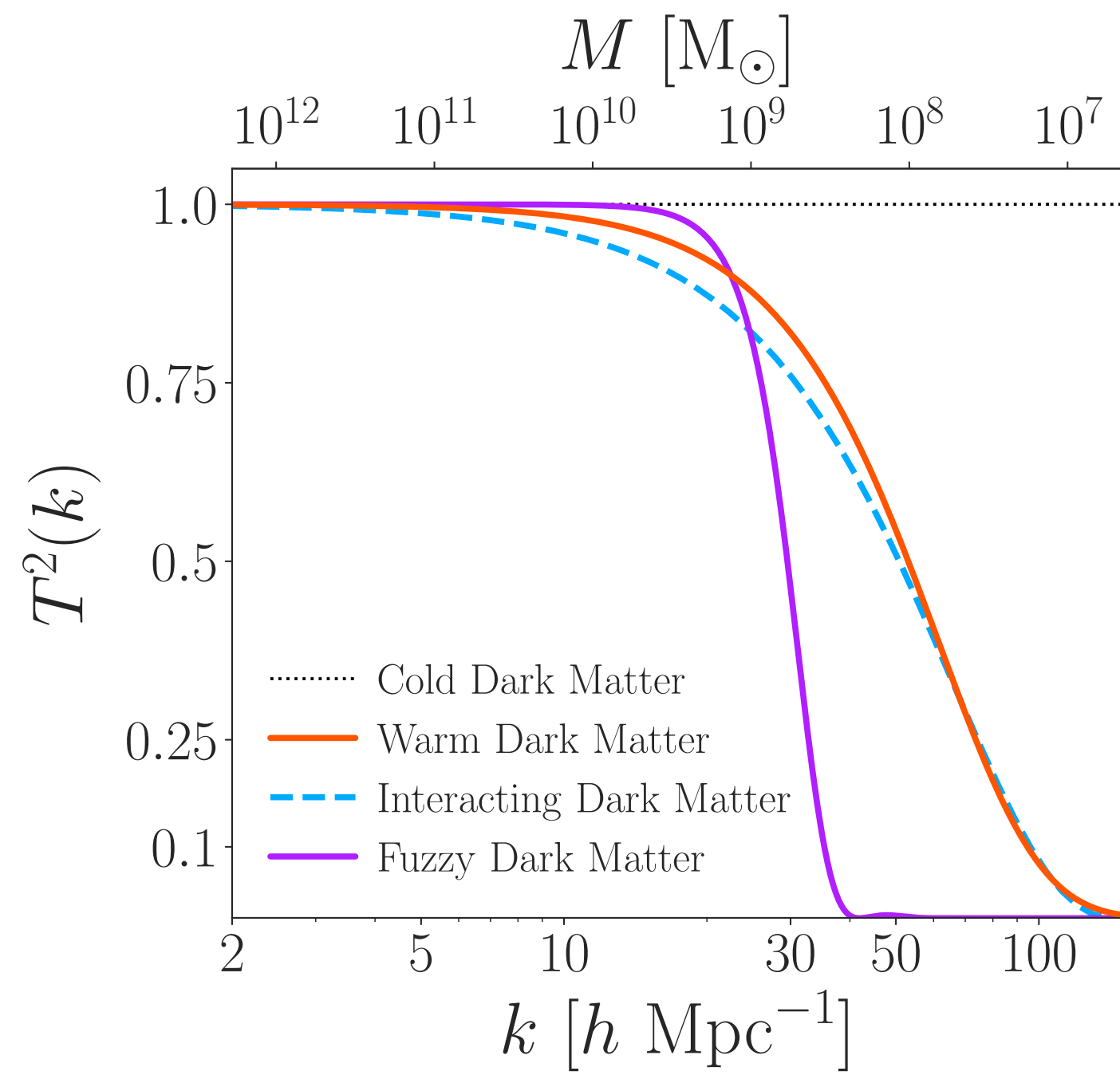


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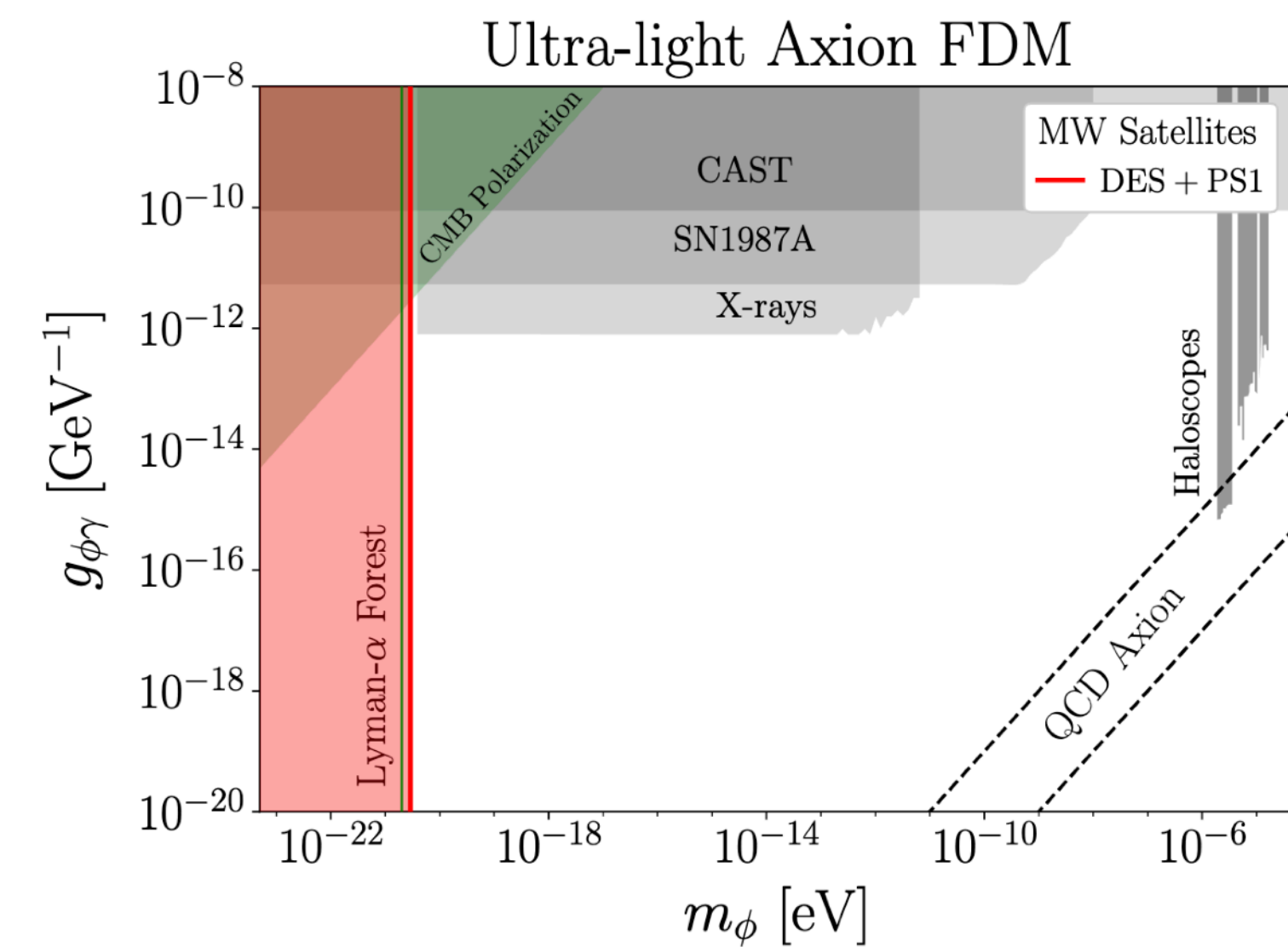
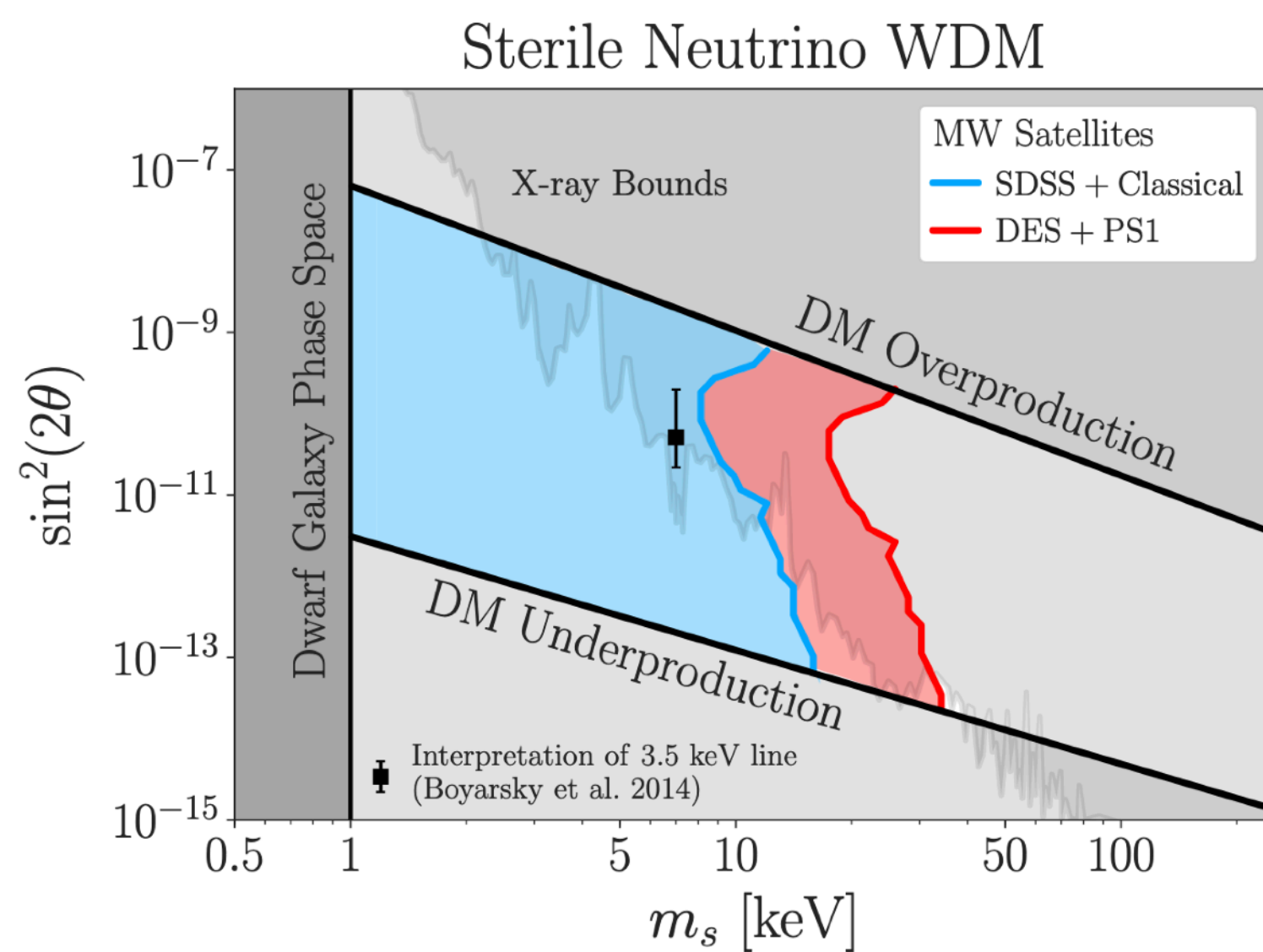
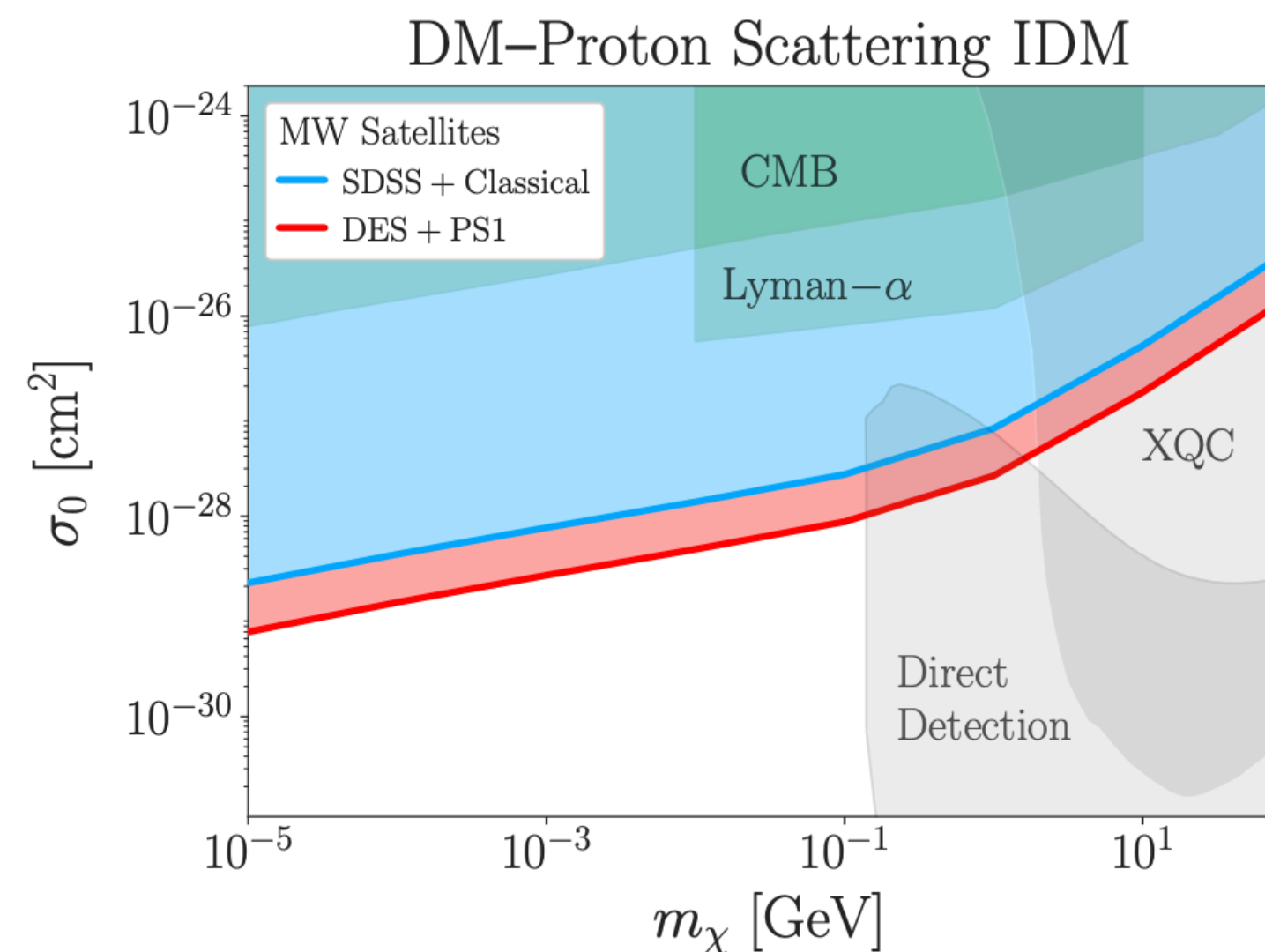
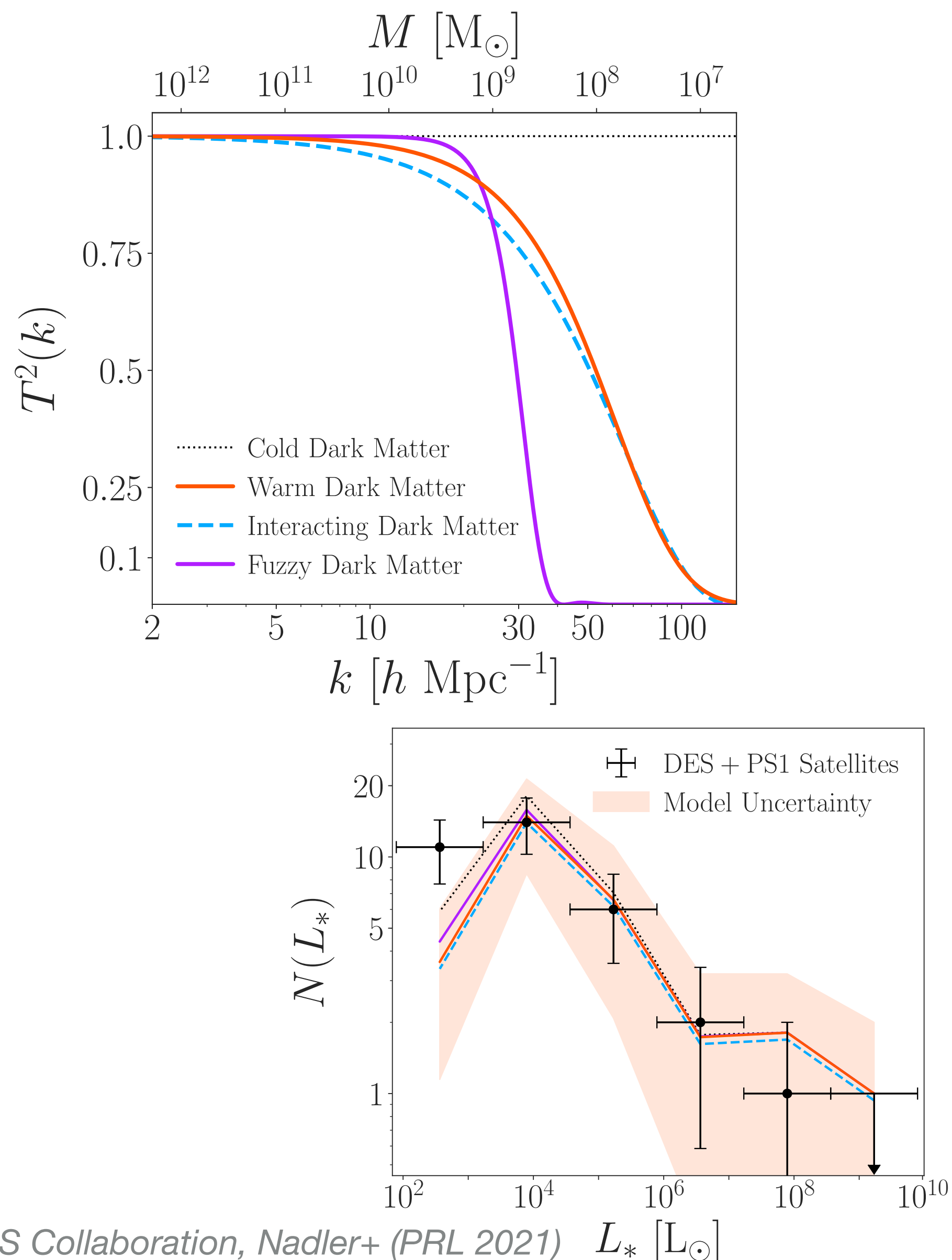
Classic dwarfs
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Small-Scale Structure Suppression



DES Collaboration, Nadler+ (PRL 2021) $L_* [L_\odot]$

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CMB constraints: KB, Gluscevic (PRD 2018); Gluscevic, KB (PRL 2018)

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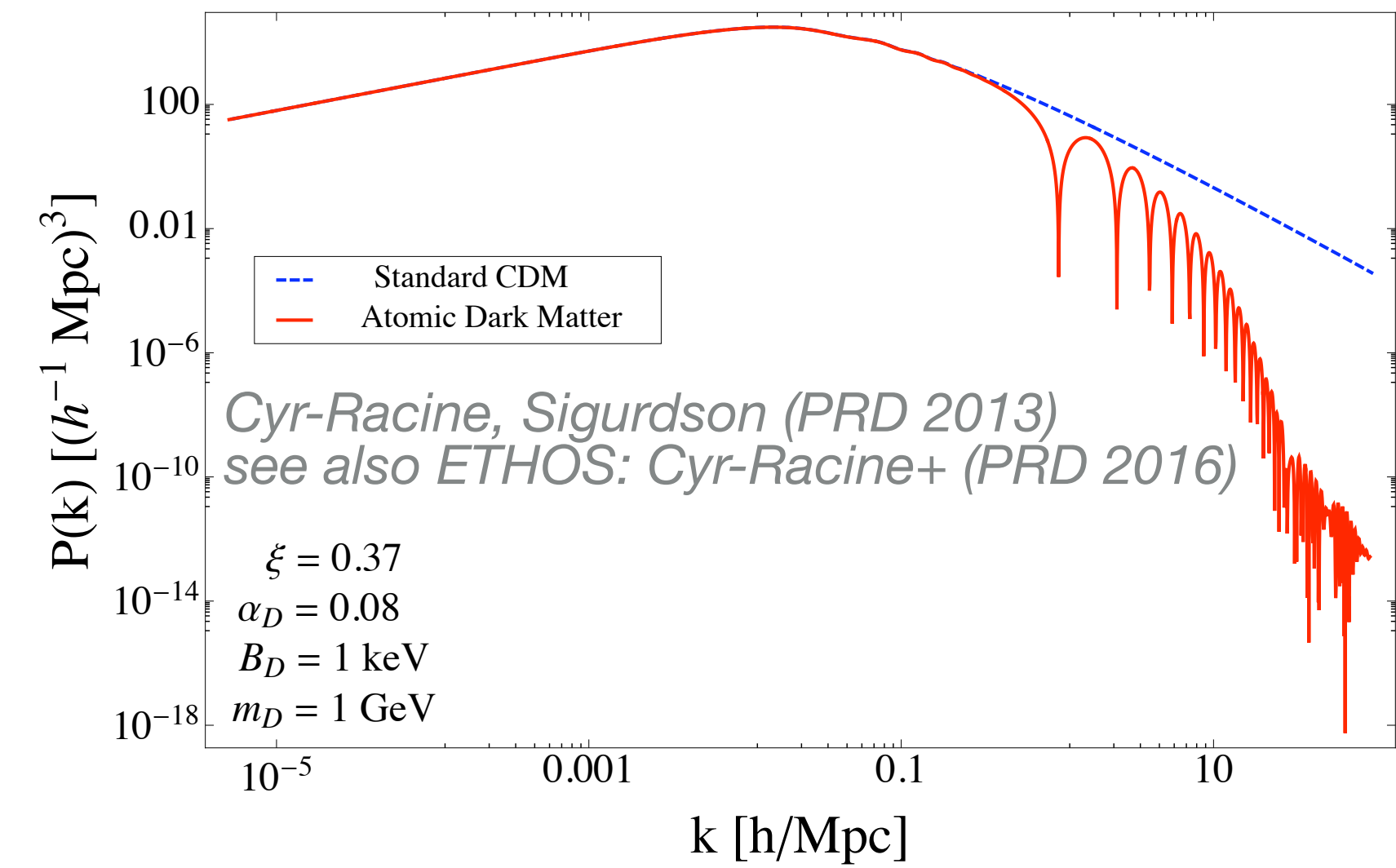
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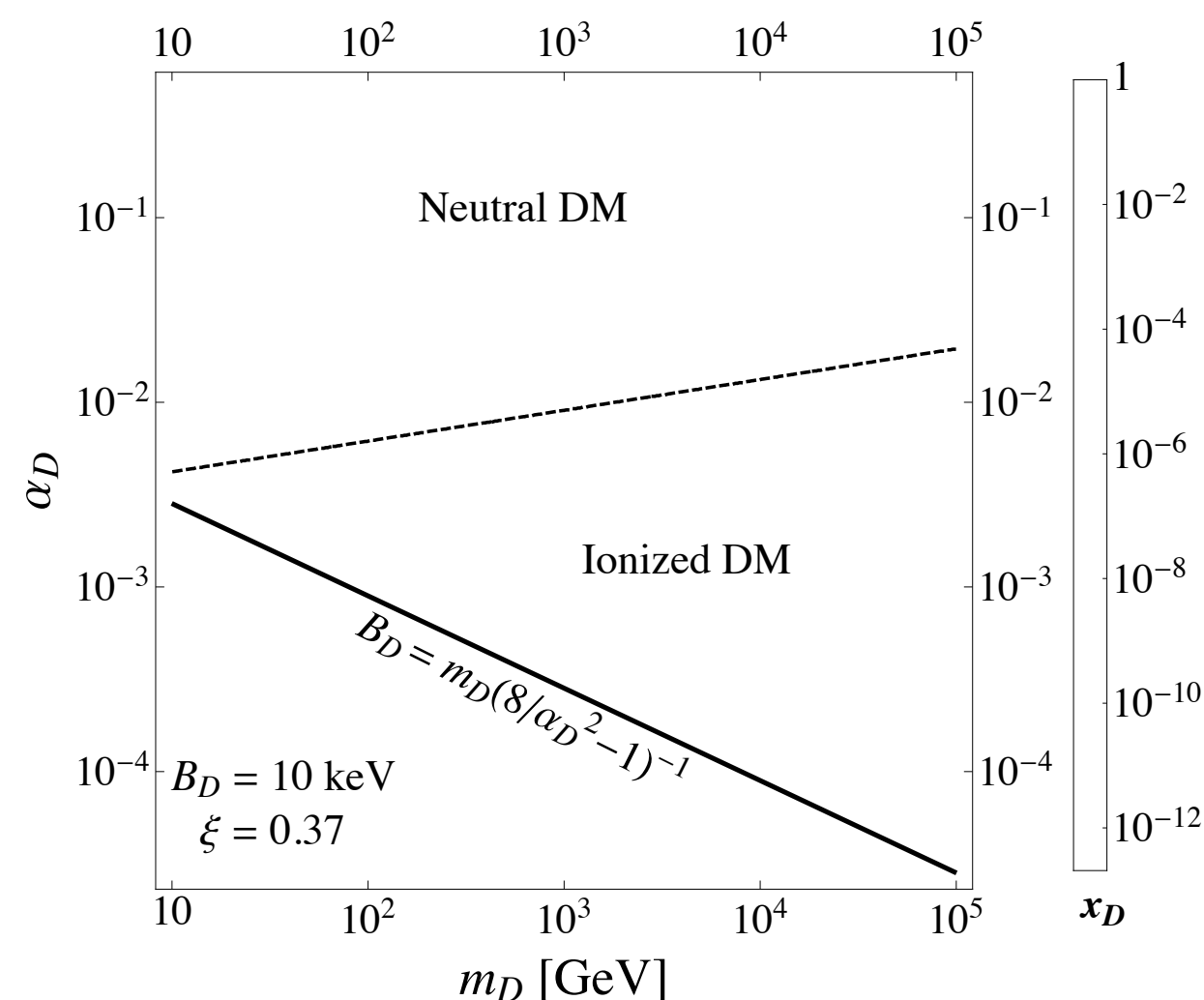


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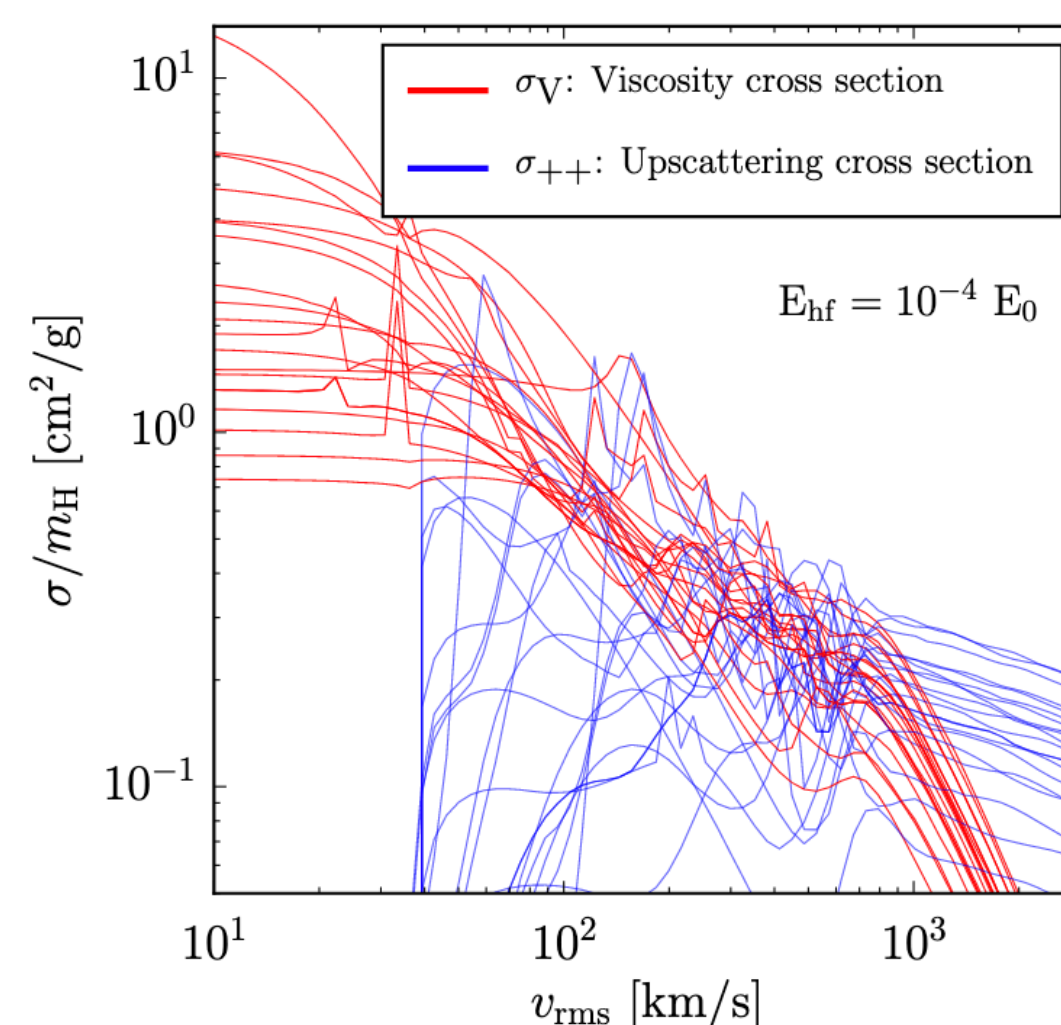
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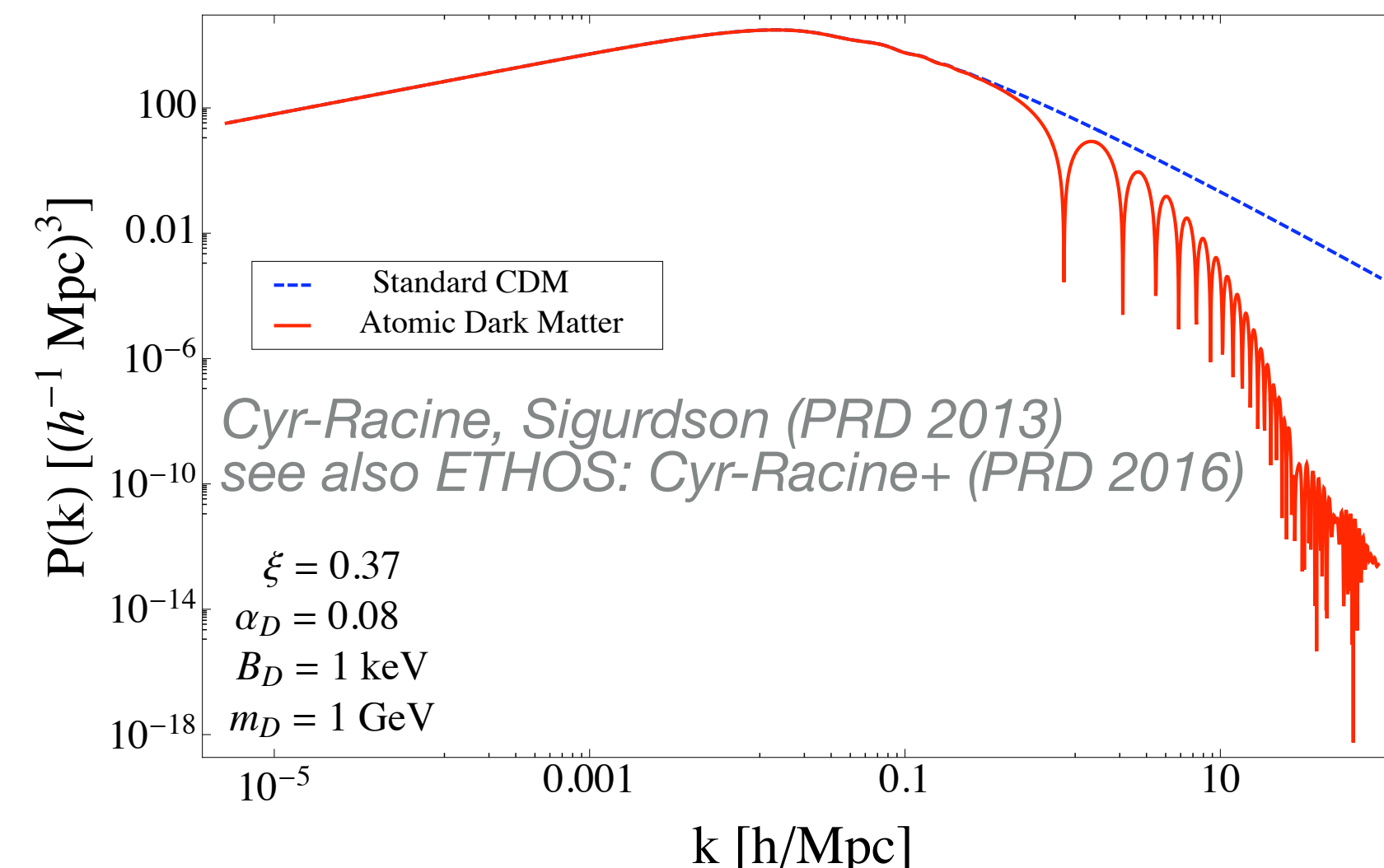
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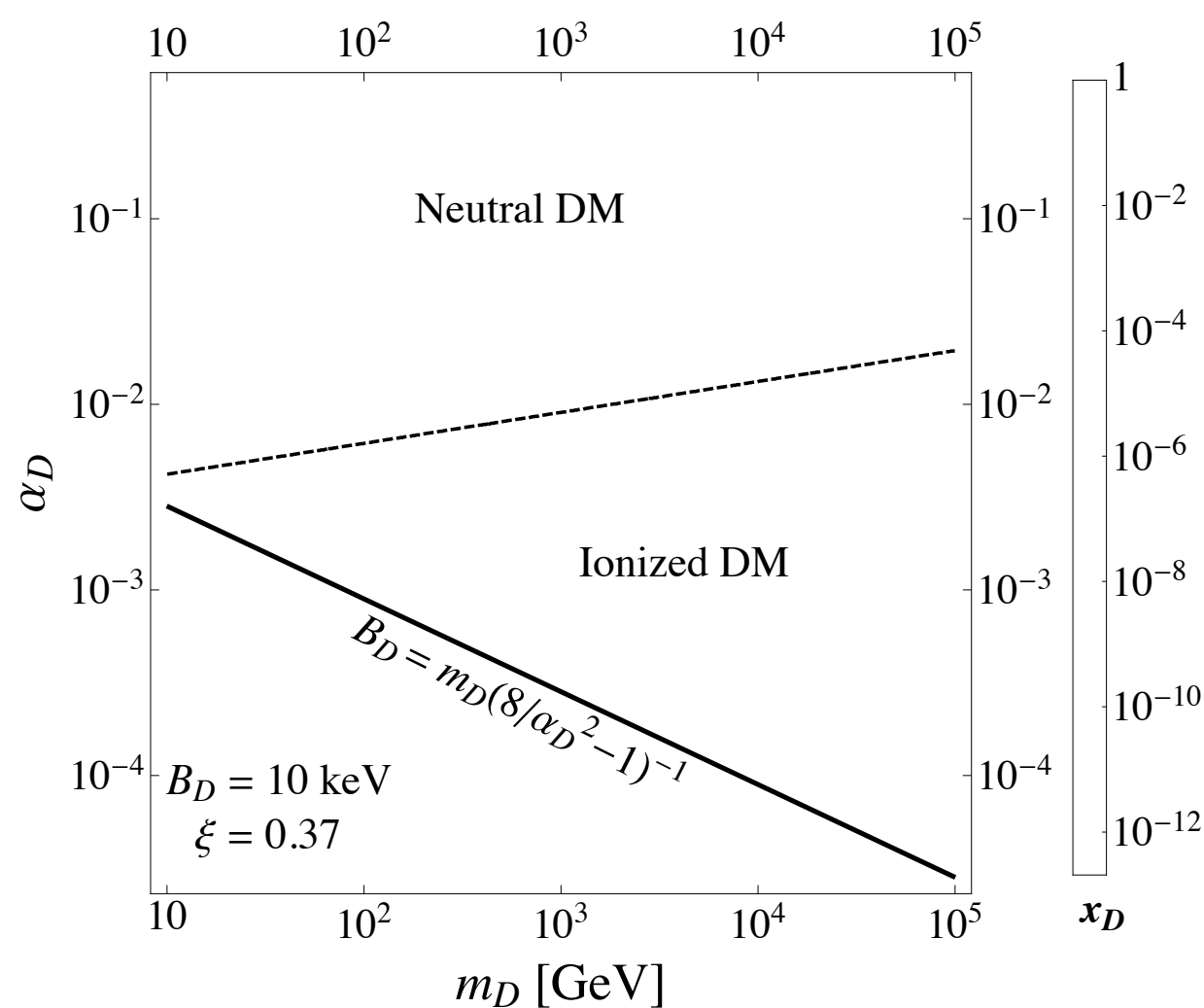
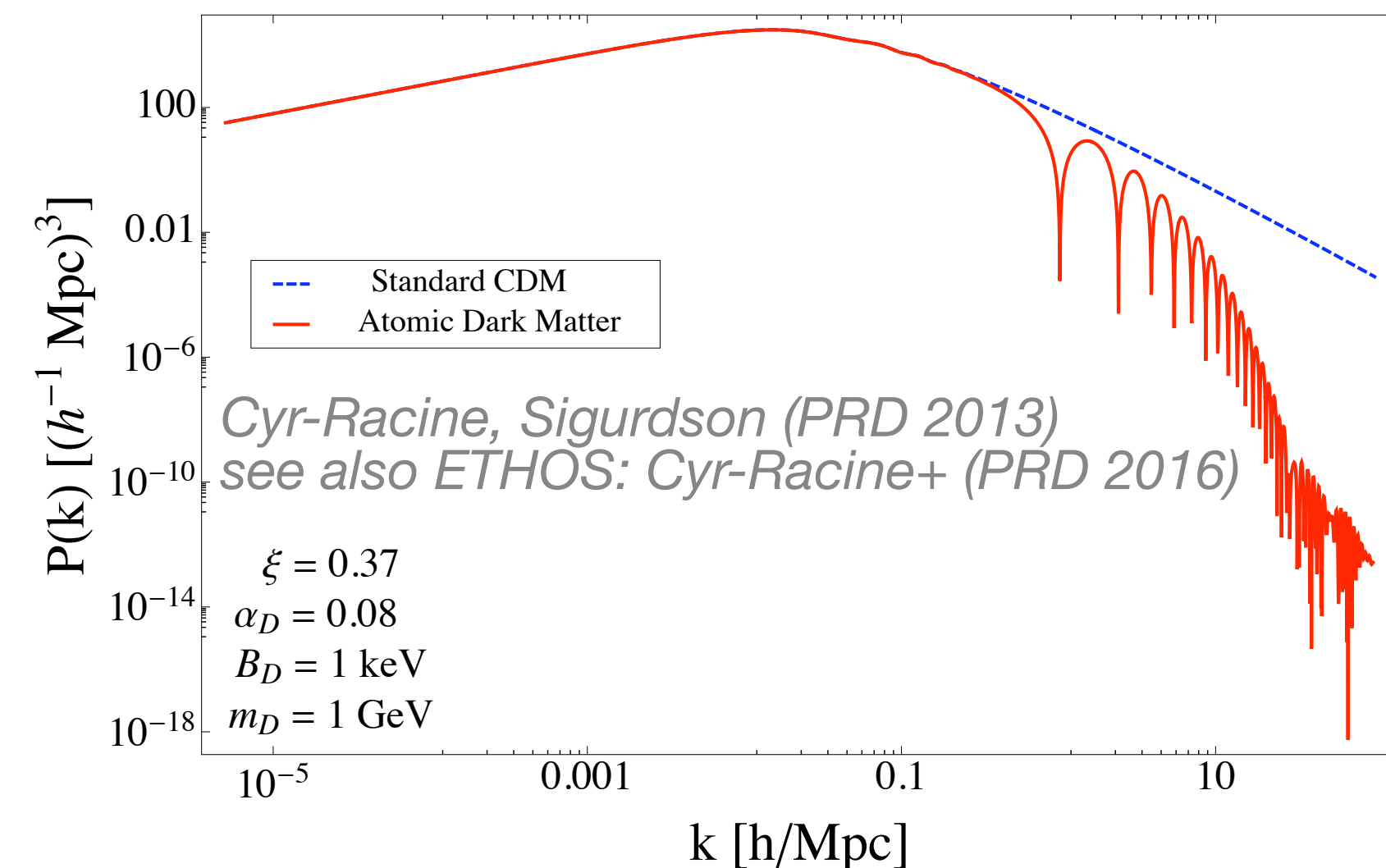
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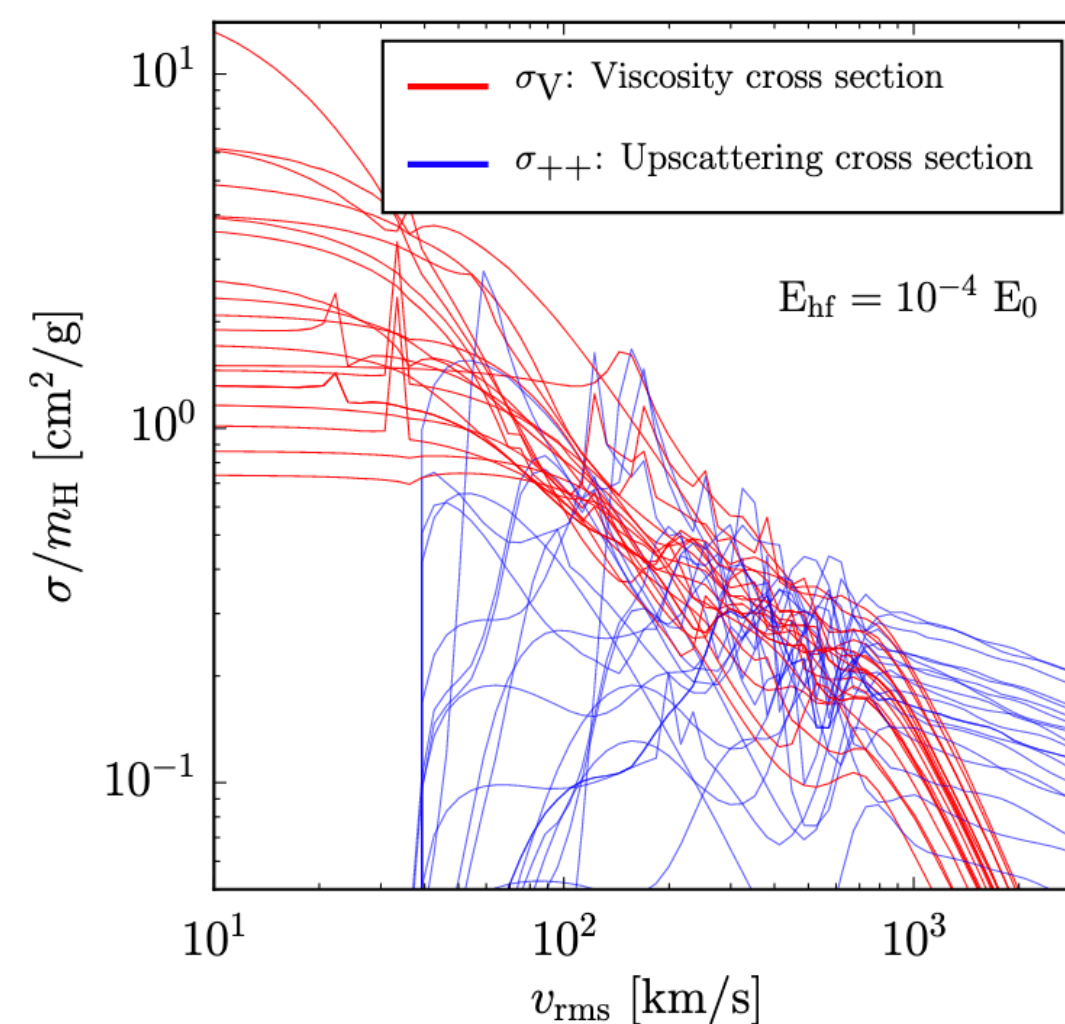
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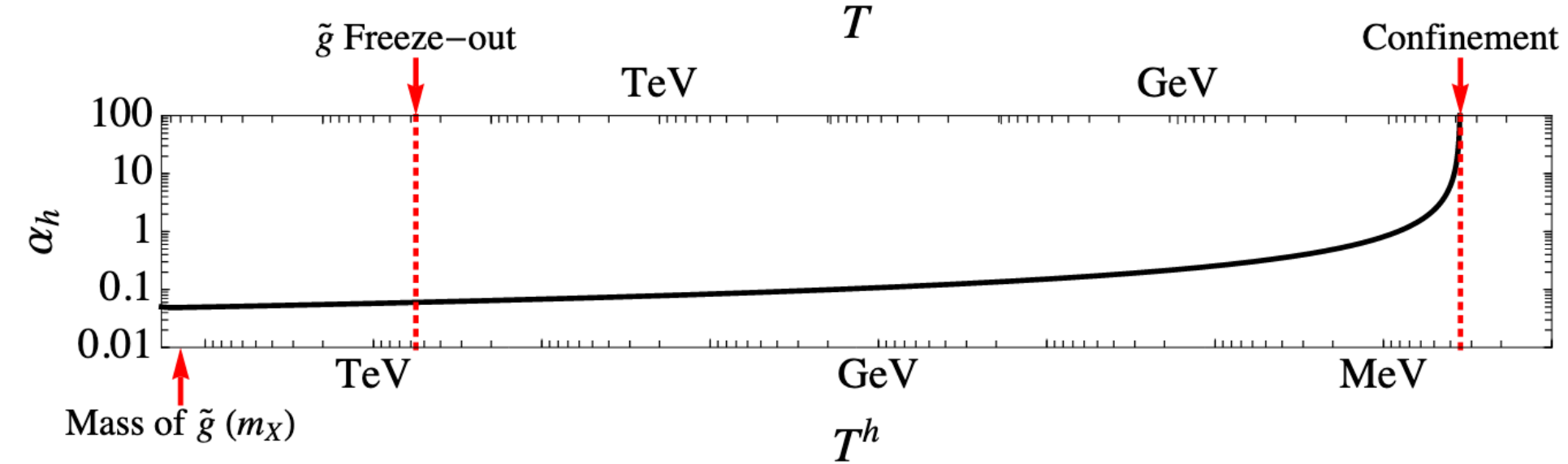
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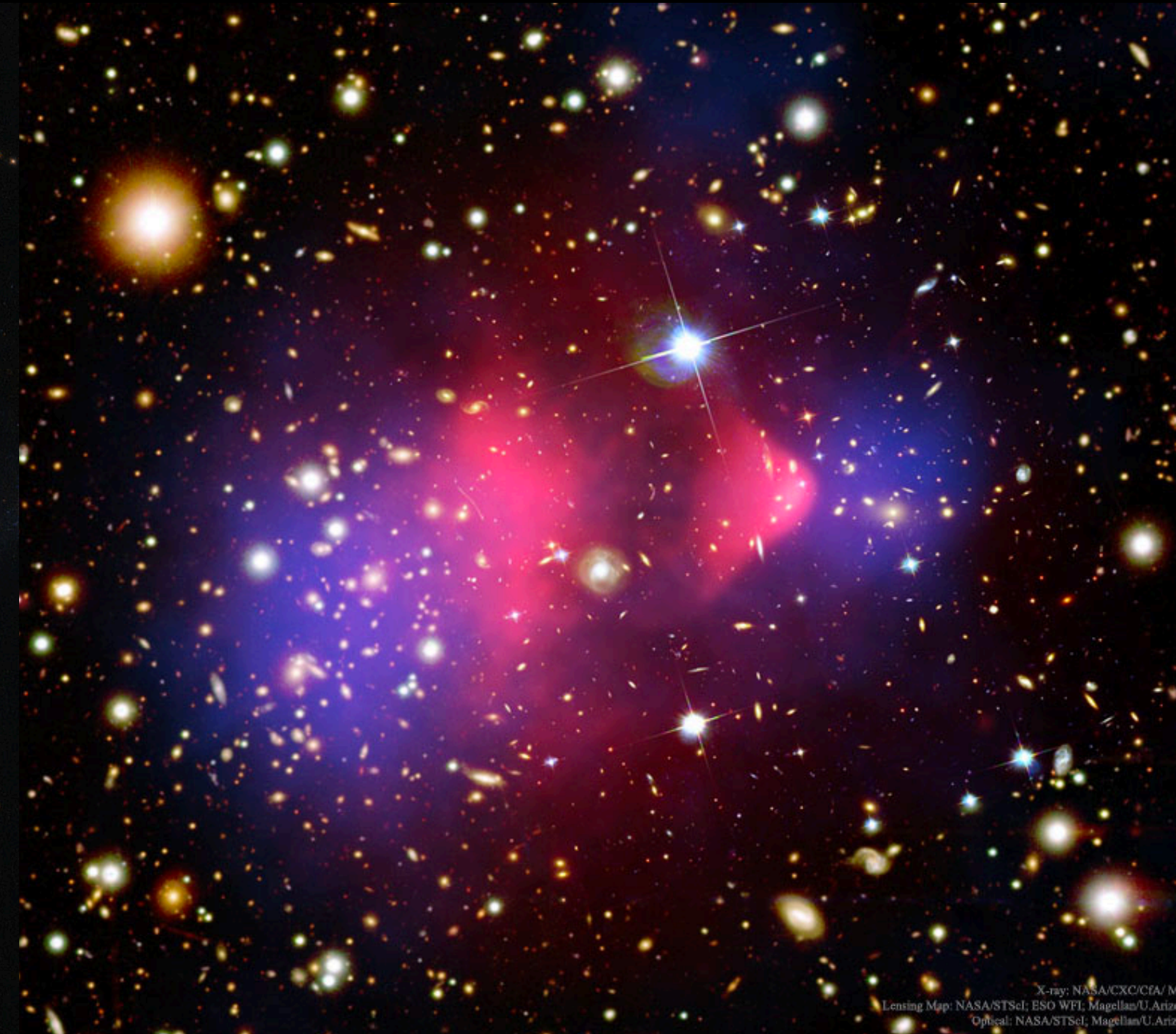
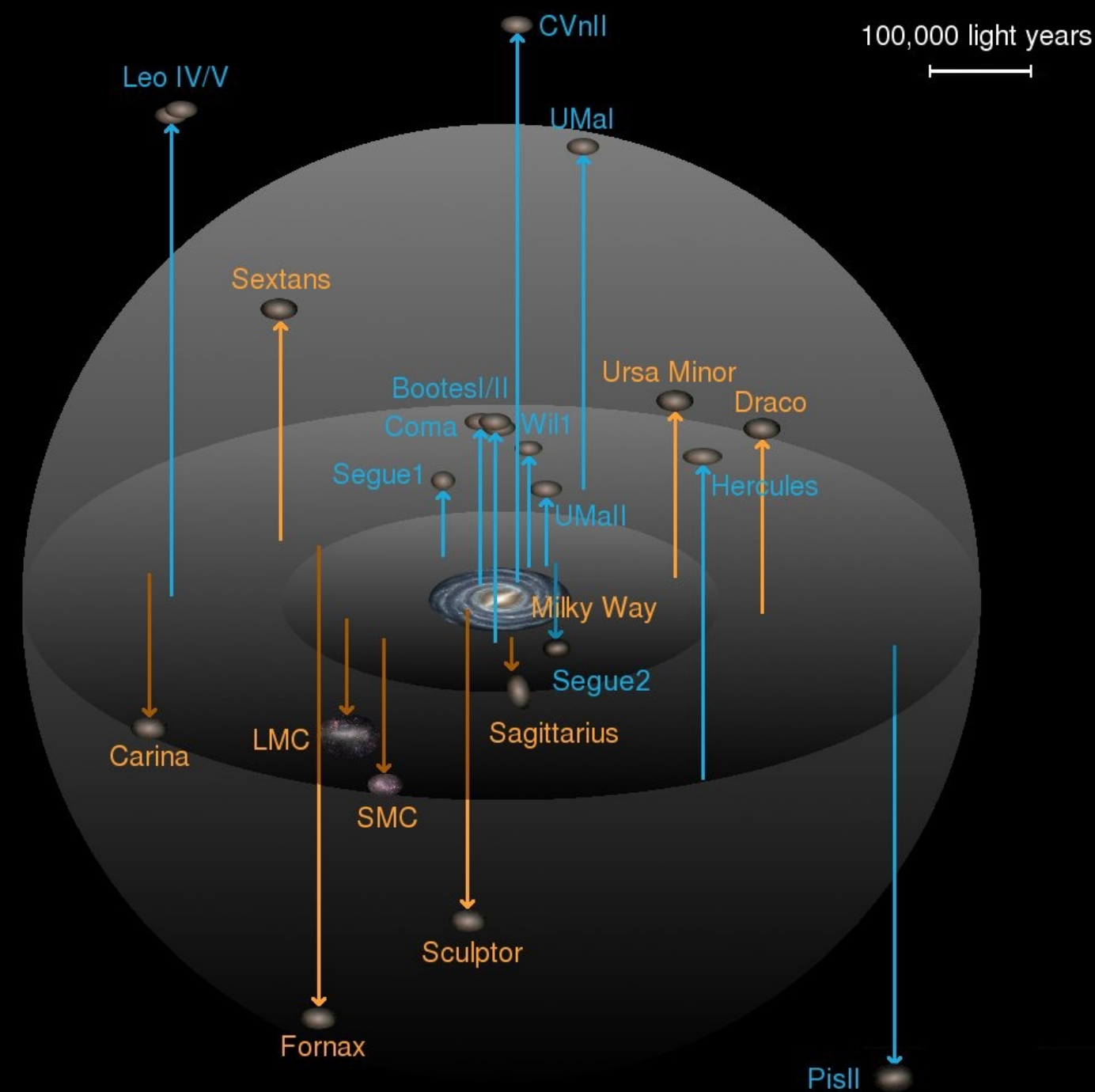
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Small-Scale Structure Puzzles

Dwarf Spheroidals

Low-Surface Brightness (LSB)

Clusters



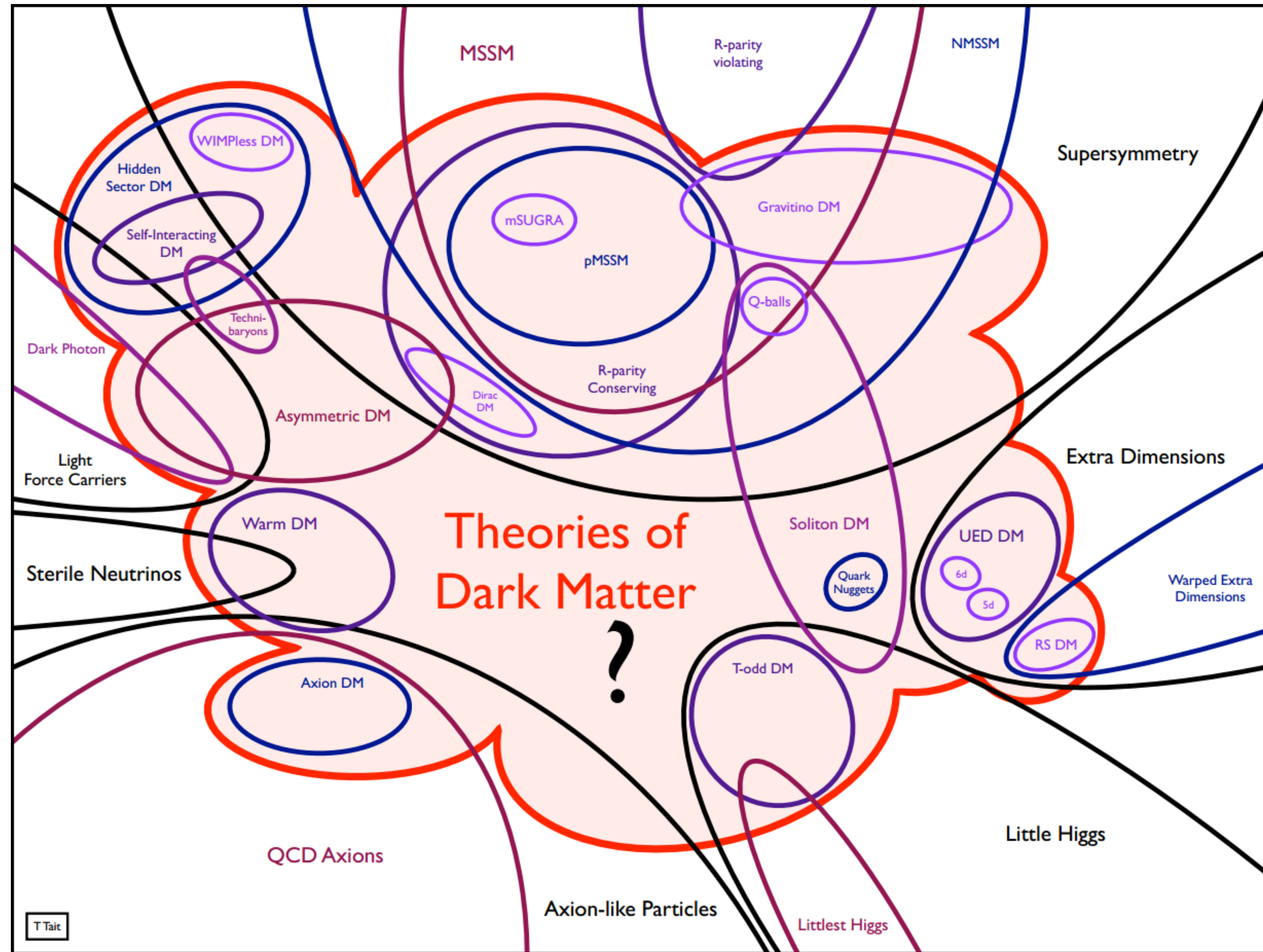
Puzzles (possible discrepancies between simulation and observation) arise in various systems: **missing satellites, core-cusp, too-big-to-fail, diversity**

Attempt to address with SIDM

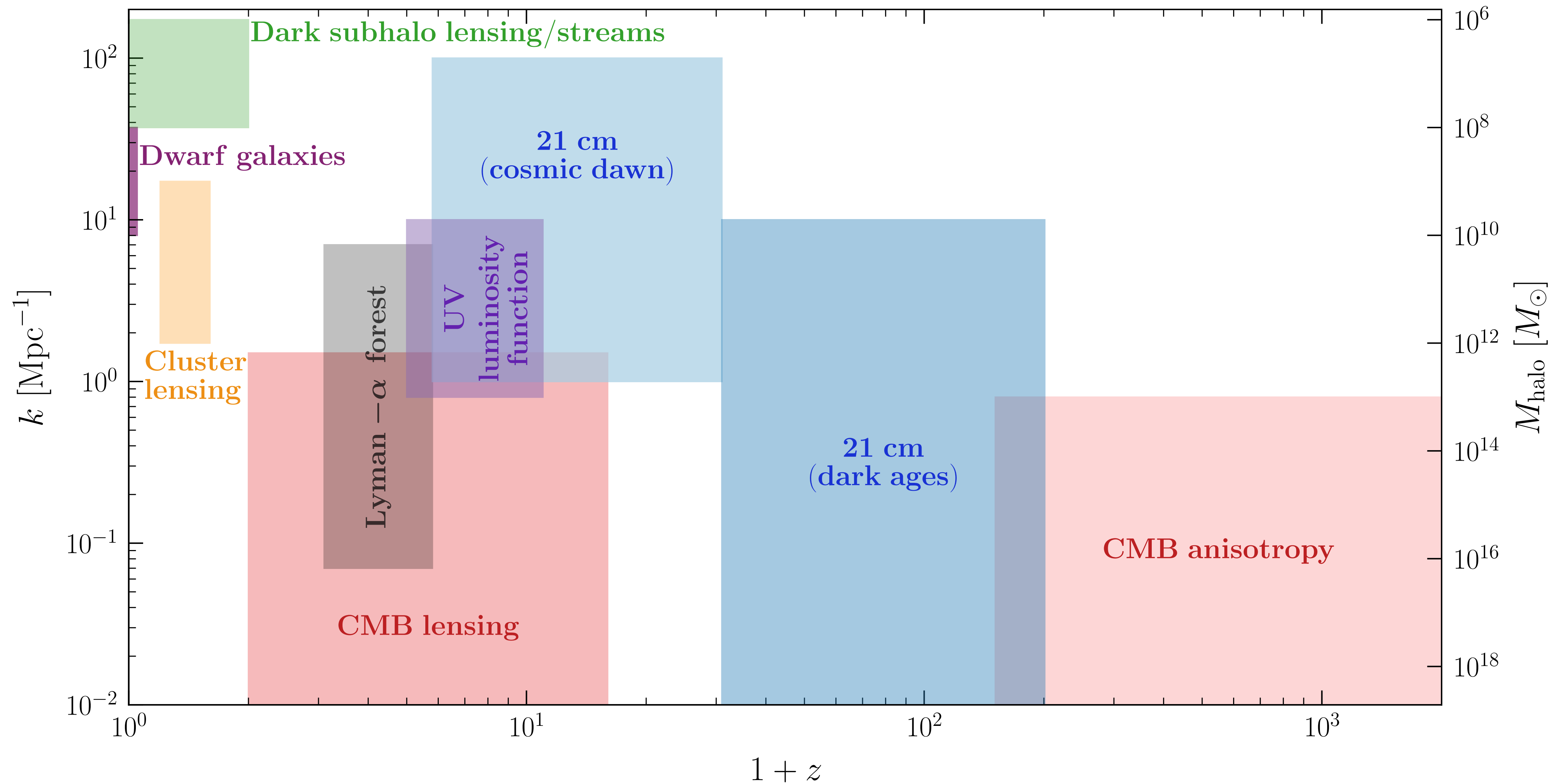
Spergel, Steinhardt (PRL 2000)

Dark Matter Self-Interactions and Small Scale Structure: Tulin, Yu (Phys Rept 2018)
Astrophysical Tests of Dark Matter Self-Interactions: Adhikari, Arka, Boddy+ (2207.10638)

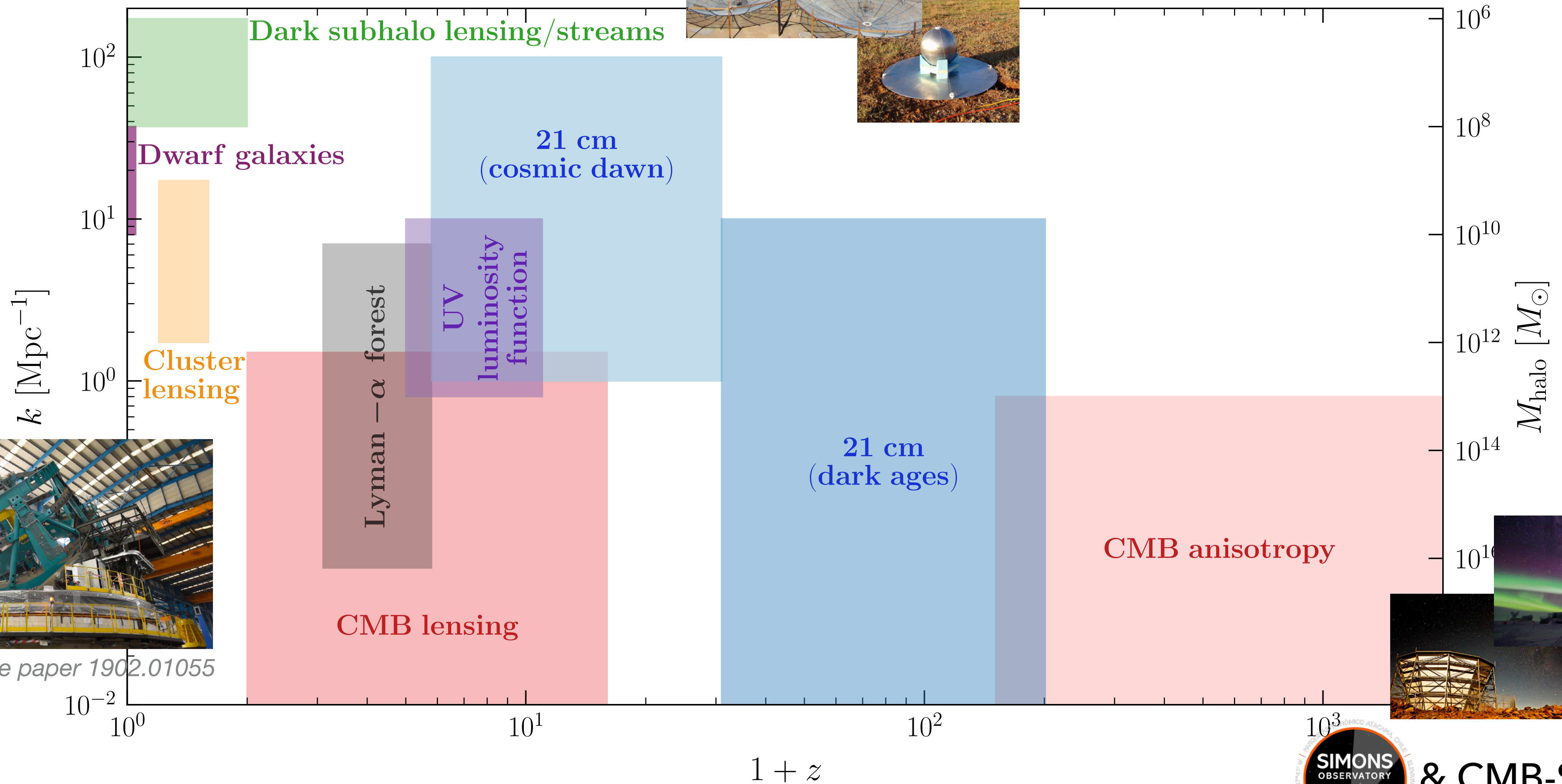
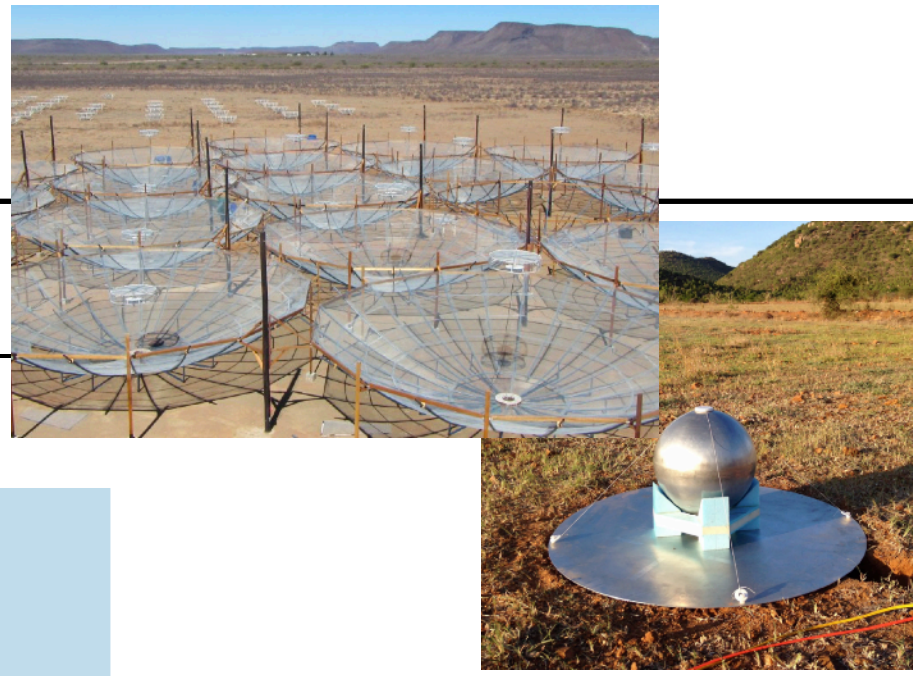
Web of Dark Matter Theories



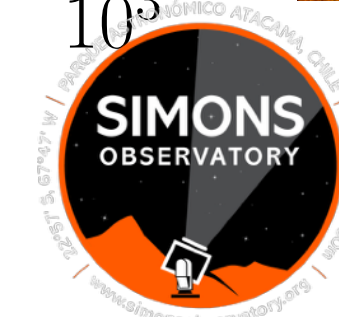
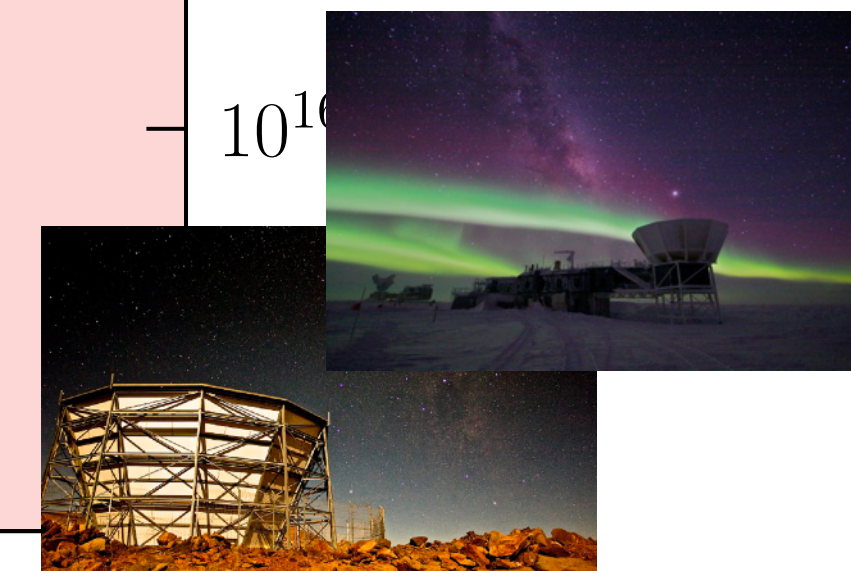
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