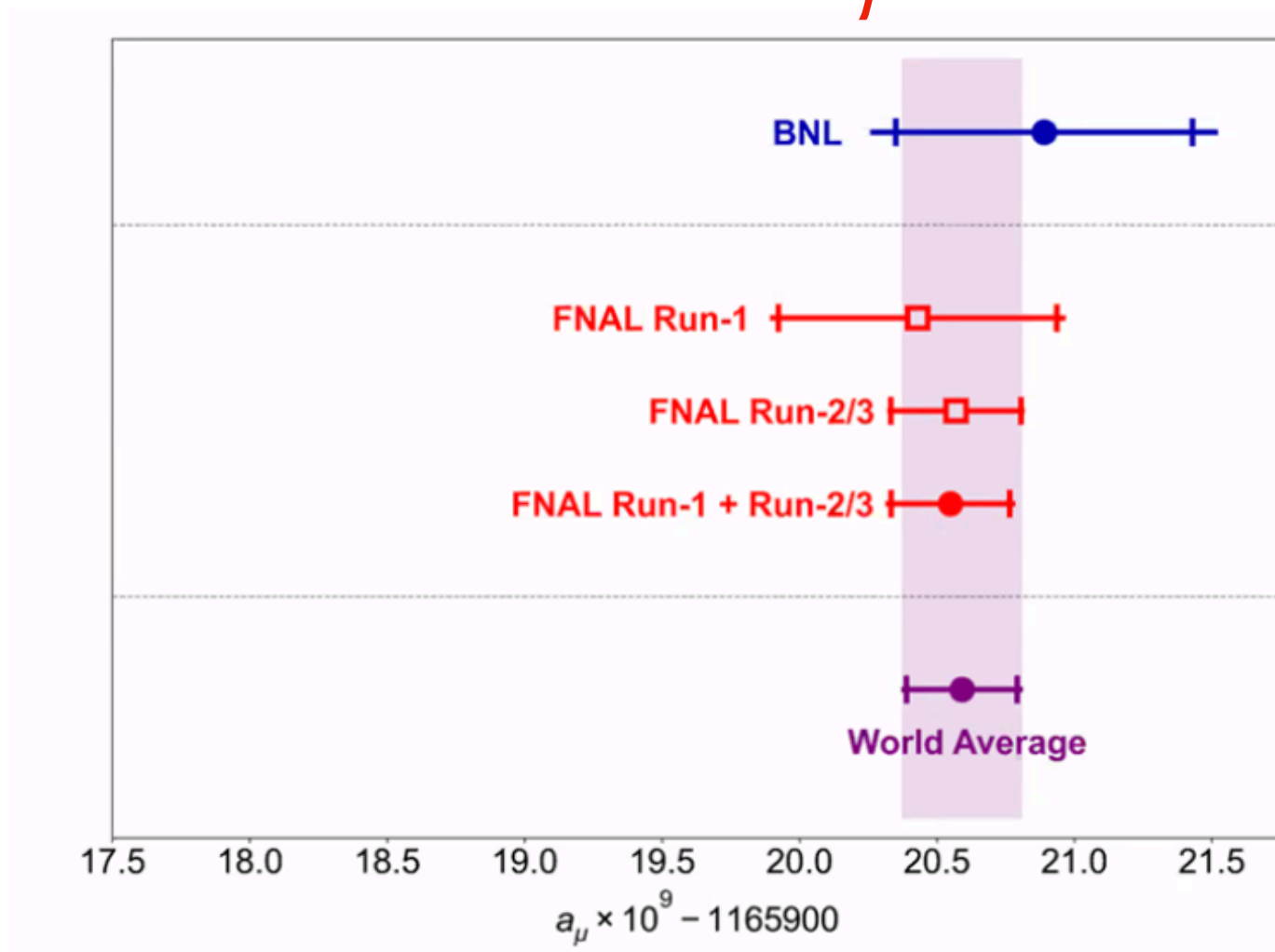
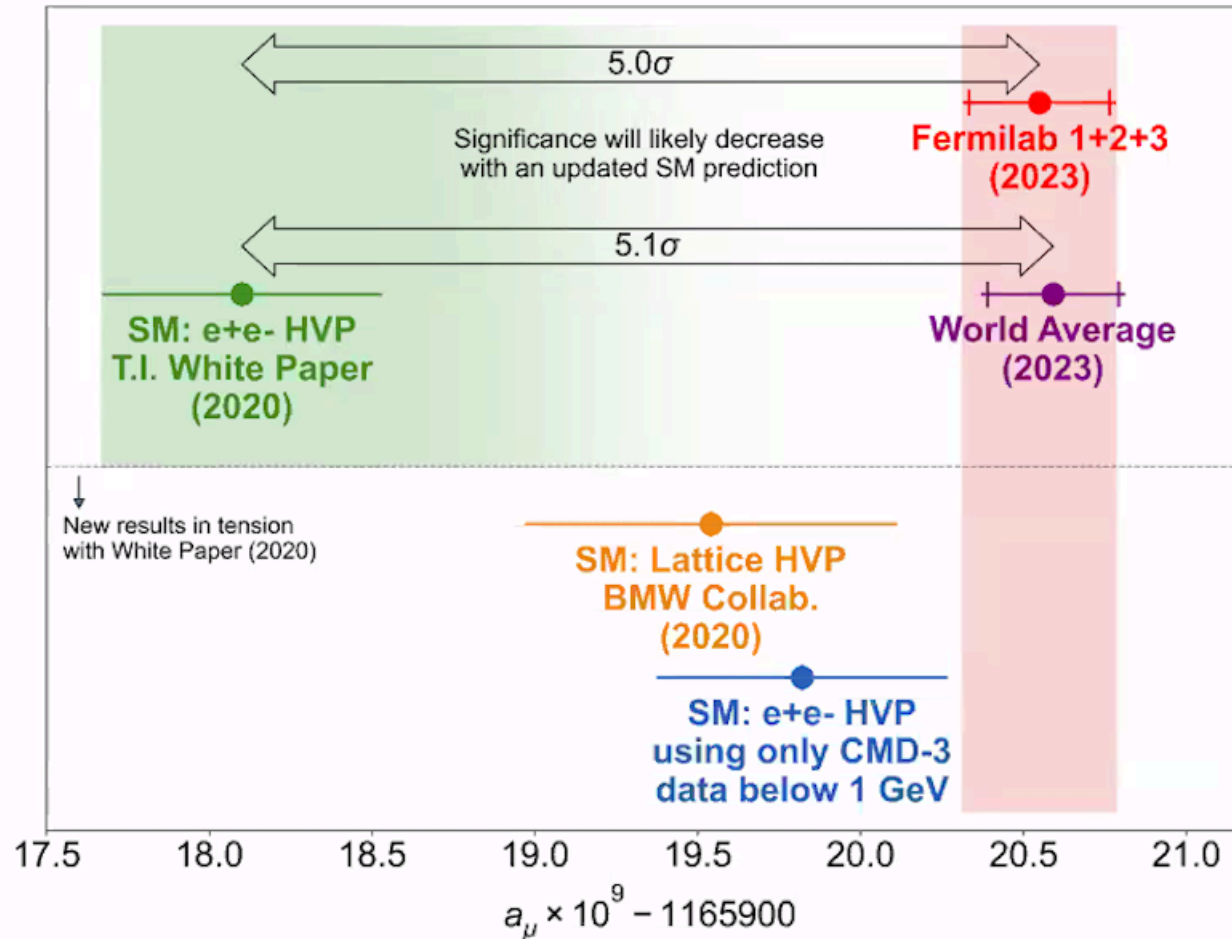


Quo Vadis $g_\mu - 2$?



- New Fermilab result confirms previous measurements, uncertainty reduced by factor ~ 2

Quo Vadis $g_\mu - 2$?



- Theoretical situation still confused: watch this space!

The Dark Matter Hypothesis

- Proposed by Fritz Zwicky, based on observations of the Coma galaxy cluster
- The galaxies move too quickly
- The observations require a stronger gravitational field than provided by the visible matter
- **Dark matter?**



The Rotation Curves of Galaxies

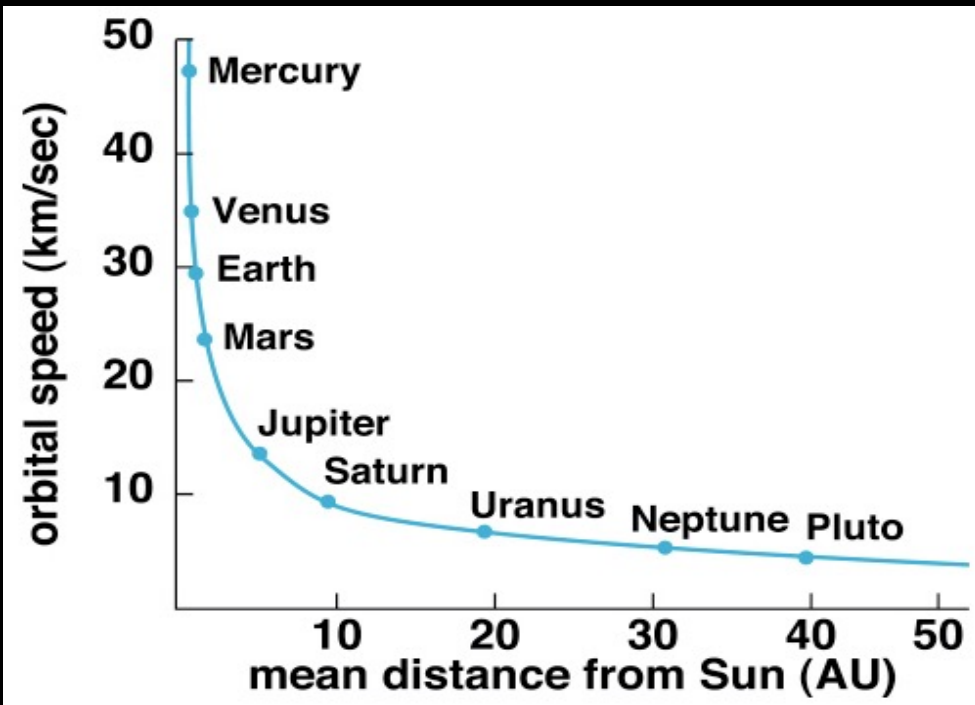
- Measured by Vera Rubin
- The stars also orbit 'too quickly'
- Her observations also required a stronger gravitational field than provided by the visible matter
- **Further strong evidence for dark matter**
- Also:
 - Structure formation, cosmic background radiation,
...



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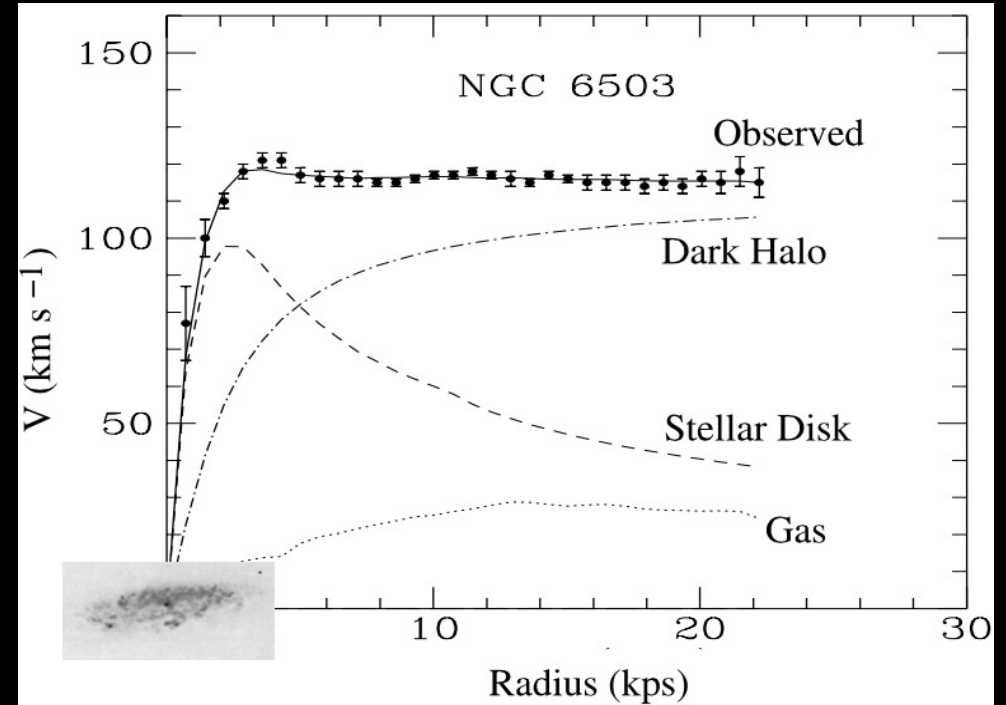
Galactic Rotation Curves

- In the Solar System



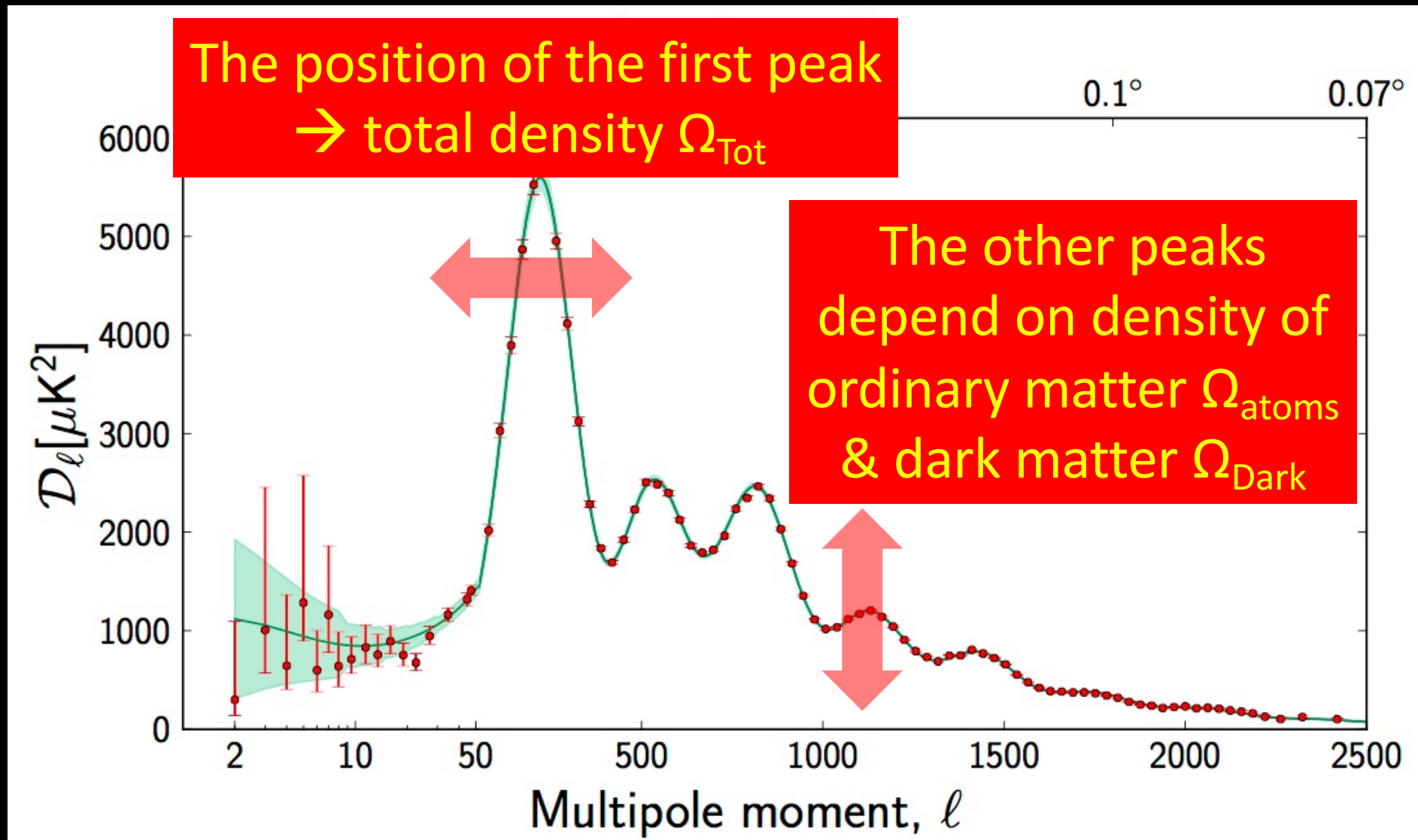
- The velocities decrease with distance from Sun
- Mass lumped at centre

- In galaxies



- The velocities do not decrease with distance
- Dark matter spread out

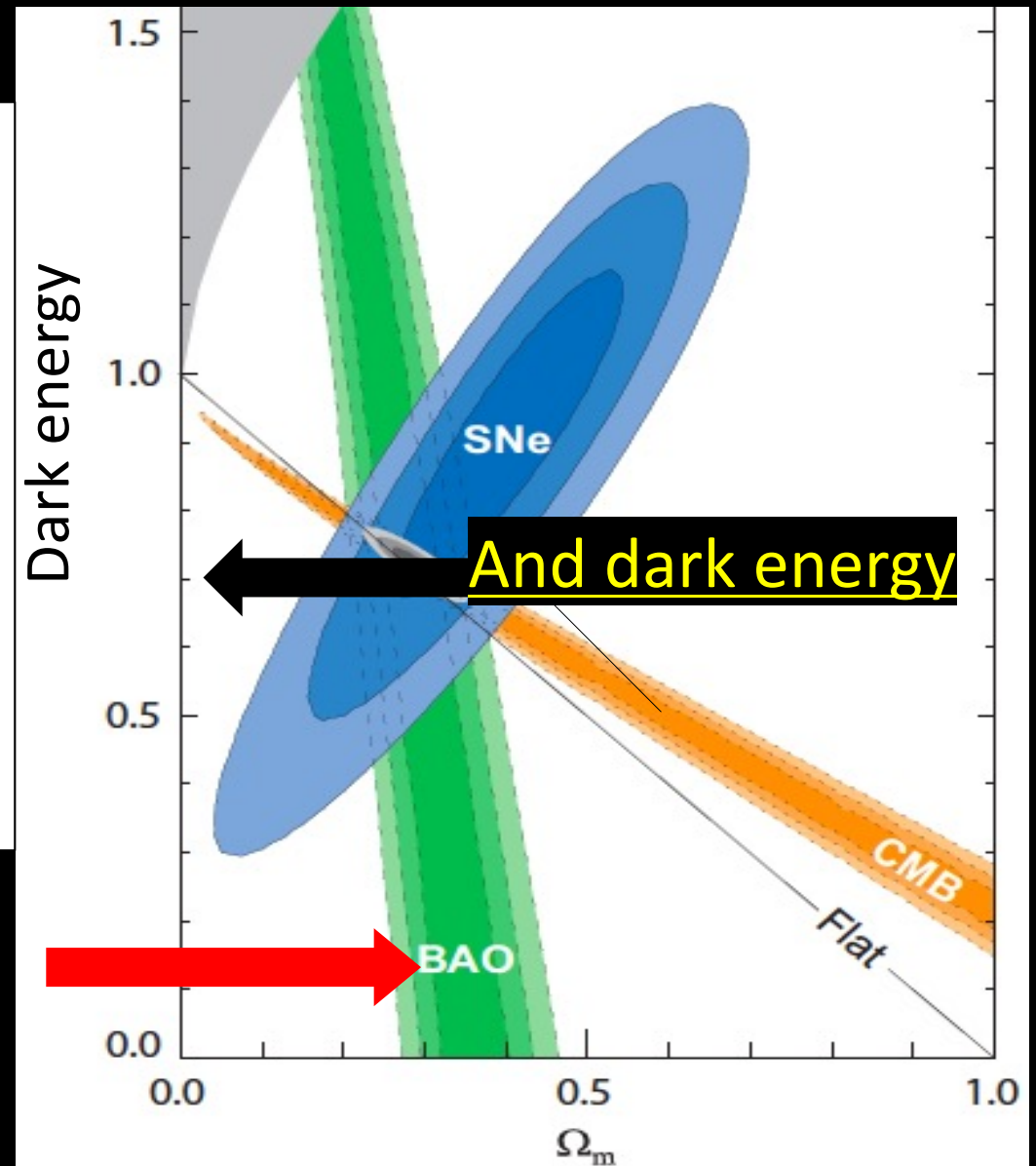
The Spectrum of Fluctuations in the Cosmic Microwave Background



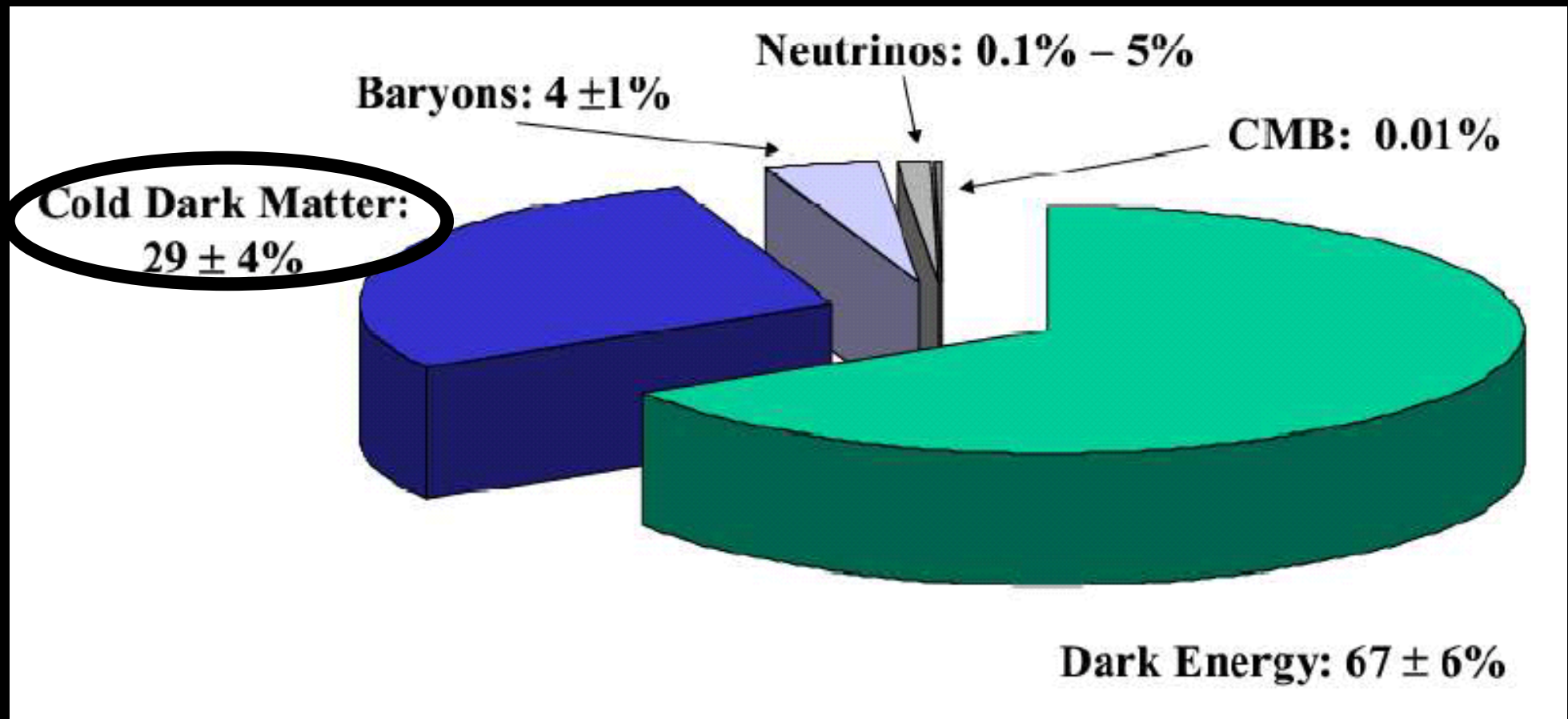
The Content of the Universe

- According to
 - Microwave background
 - Supernovae
 - Structures (galaxies, clusters, ...) in the Universe

There is dark matter



Strange Recipe for a Universe

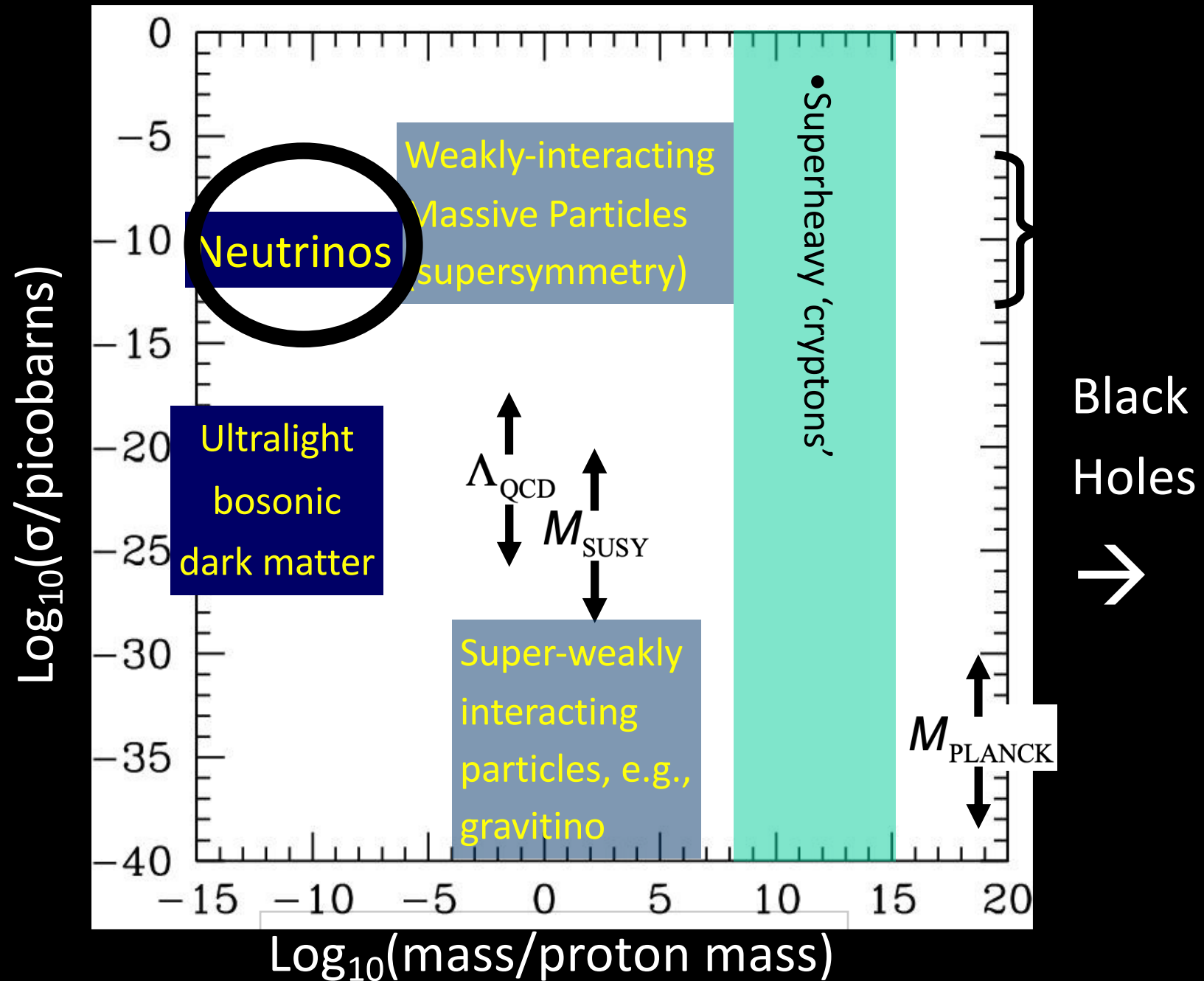


The 'Standard Model' of the Universe indicated by astrophysics and cosmology

Properties of Dark Matter

- Should not have (much) electric charge
 - Otherwise we would have seen it
- Should interact weakly with ordinary matter
 - Otherwise we would have detected it, either directly or astrophysically
- Should not be too light
 - Needed for forming and holding together structures in the Universe: galaxies, clusters, ...

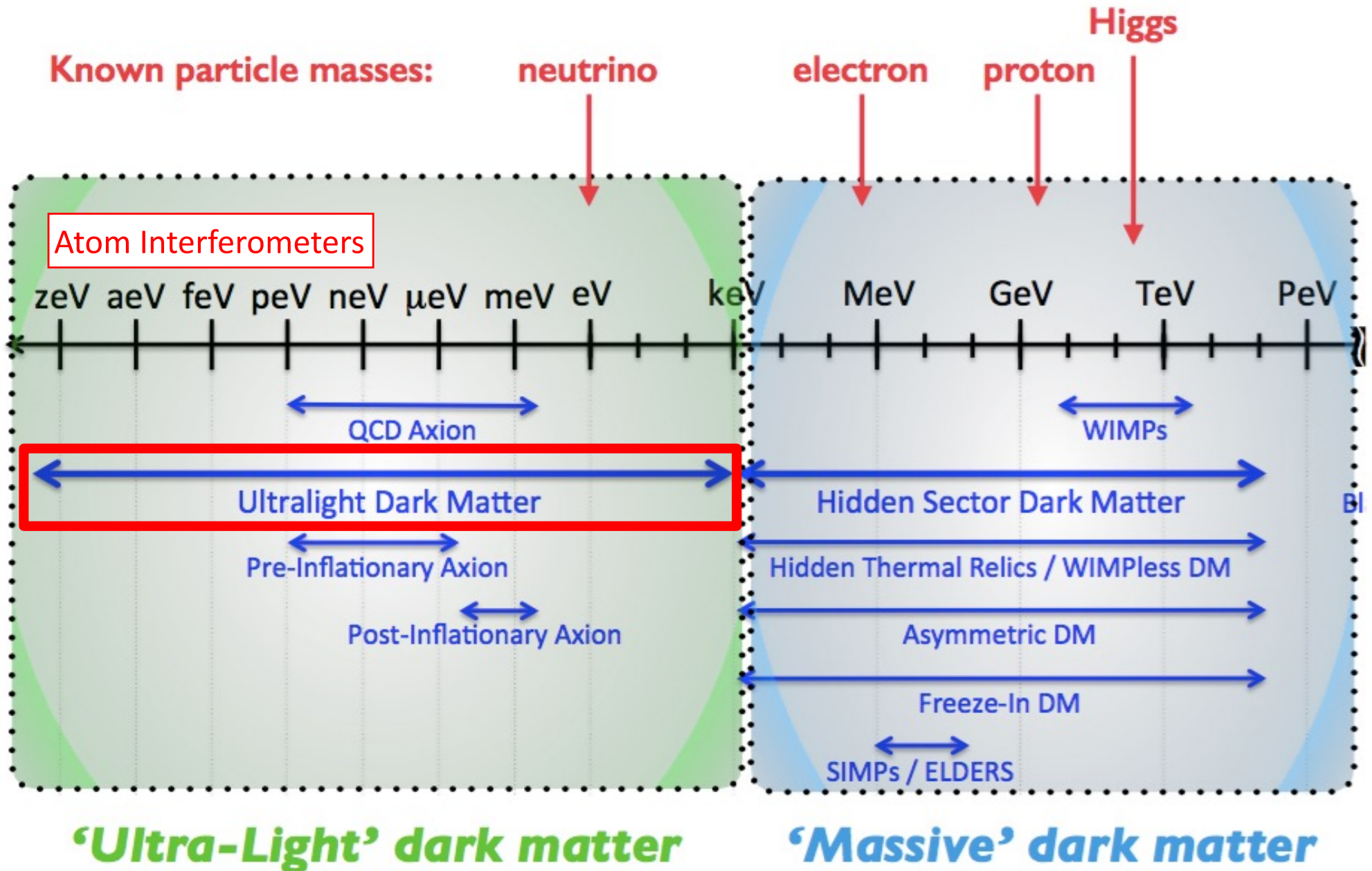
Particle Dark Matter Candidates



Neutrinos

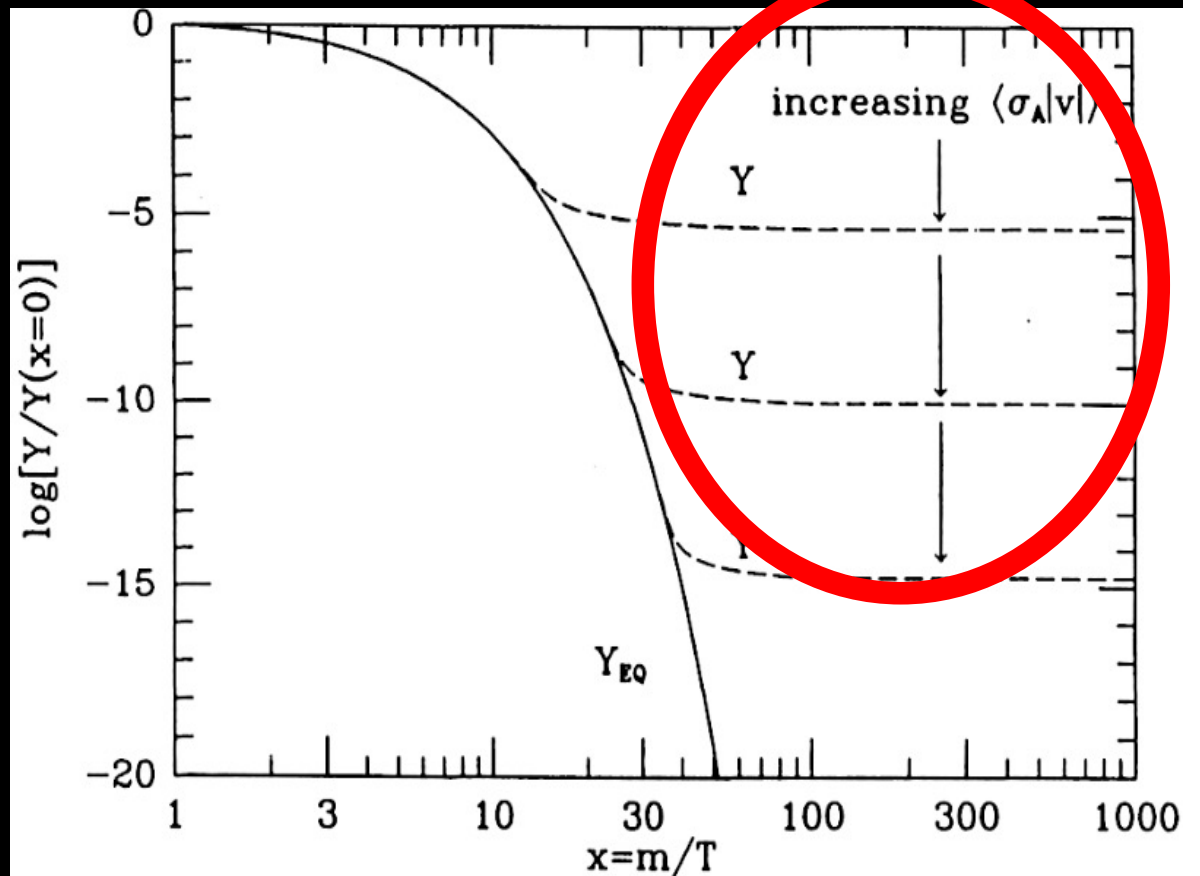
- They exist! 😊
- They have weak interactions 😊
- They have masses 😊
 - As indicated by neutrino oscillations
- But their masses are very small 😞
 - < 1 eV (= 1/1000,000,000 of proton mass)
- Not able to grow all structures in Universe 😞
 - (run away from small structures)
- Maybe some other neutrinos beyond the Standard Model? **Sterile neutrinos?**

Candidates for Dark Matter



Weakly-Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs)

- Expected to have been numerous in the primordial Universe when it was a fraction of a second old, full of a primordial hot soup
- Would have cooled down as Universe expanded
- Interactions would have weakened
- WIMPs decoupled from visible matter
- “Freeze-out”
- Larger $\sigma \rightarrow$ lower Y



The WIMP 'Miracle'

- The TeV scale from cosmology:

$$\text{TeV} \simeq \sqrt{M_{\text{Pl}} \times 2.7 \text{ K}}$$

- Generic density from freeze-out:

$$\Omega_{\text{X}} h_0^2 \simeq \frac{1}{10^3 \langle \sigma v \rangle} \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}} \times 2.7 \text{ K}} \simeq \frac{1}{10^3 \langle \sigma v \rangle} \frac{1}{\text{TeV}^2}$$

- Generic annihilation cross-section:

$$\sigma v \simeq \frac{c \alpha^2}{m^2}$$

- Generic relic mass:

$$m \simeq \sqrt{M_{\text{Pl}} \times 2.7 \text{ K}} \frac{16 \alpha \sqrt{C}}{\sqrt{\frac{\Omega_{\text{X}} h_0^2}{0.25}}}$$

$$\simeq \text{TeV} \frac{16 \alpha \sqrt{C}}{\sqrt{\frac{\Omega_{\text{X}} h_0^2}{0.25}}}$$

- Putting the numbers in:

$$m \lesssim \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{10 C} \text{ TeV} \lesssim 5 \text{ TeV}$$

WIMP Candidates

- Could have right density if weigh 100 to 1000 GeV (accessible to LHC experiments?)
- Present in many extensions of Standard Model
- Particularly in attempts to understand strength of weak interactions, mass of Higgs boson
- Examples:
 - Extra dimensions of space
 - **Supersymmetry**



What lies beyond the Standard Model?

Supersymmetry

- Stabilize electroweak vacuum
- Successful prediction for Higgs mass
 - Should be < 130 GeV in simple models
- Successful predictions for couplings
 - Should be within few % of SM values
- **Naturalness, GUTs** string, ... **dark matter**

New motivations
From LHC Run 1

Loop Corrections to Higgs Mass²

- Consider generic fermion and boson loops:



- Each is quadratically divergent: $\int^\Lambda d^4k/k^2$

$$\Delta m_H^2 = -\frac{y_f^2}{16\pi^2} [2\Lambda^2 + 6m_f^2 \ln(\Lambda/m_f) + \dots]$$

$$\Delta m_H^2 = \frac{\lambda_S}{16\pi^2} [\Lambda^2 - 2m_S^2 \ln(\Lambda/m_S) + \dots]$$

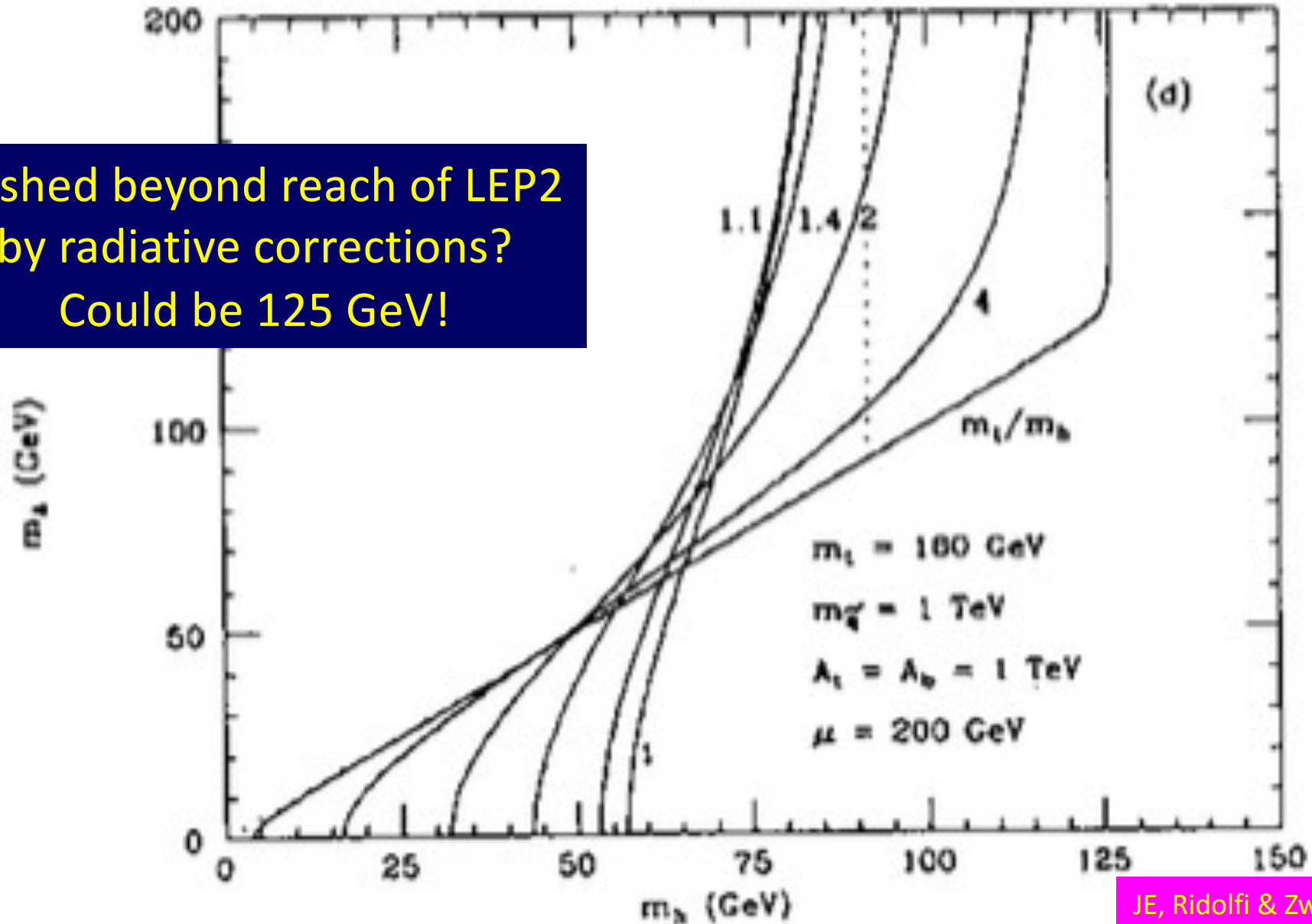
- Leading divergence cancelled if

$$\lambda_S = y_f^2 \times 2 \quad \text{Supersymmetry!}$$

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Higgs Mass in Supersymmetry

Pushed beyond reach of LEP2
by radiative corrections?
Could be 125 GeV!



Grand Unification

- At one-loop order without/**with** supersymmetry:

$$b_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{22}{3} \\ -11 \end{pmatrix} + N_g \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} + N_H \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{10} \\ \frac{1}{6} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad b_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -6 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix} + N_g \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + N_H \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{10} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{136}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -102 \end{pmatrix} + N_g \begin{pmatrix} \frac{19}{15} & \frac{3}{5} & \frac{44}{15} \\ \frac{1}{5} & \frac{49}{3} & 4 \\ \frac{4}{30} & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{76}{3} \end{pmatrix} + N_H \begin{pmatrix} \frac{9}{50} & \frac{9}{10} & 0 \\ \frac{3}{10} & \frac{13}{6} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad b_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -24 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -54 \end{pmatrix} + N_g \begin{pmatrix} \frac{38}{15} & \frac{6}{5} & \frac{88}{15} \\ \frac{2}{5} & 14 & 8 \\ \frac{11}{5} & 3 & \frac{68}{3} \end{pmatrix} + N_H \begin{pmatrix} \frac{9}{50} & \frac{9}{10} & 0 \\ \frac{3}{10} & \frac{7}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

LEP Data Consistent with Supersymmetric Grand Unification

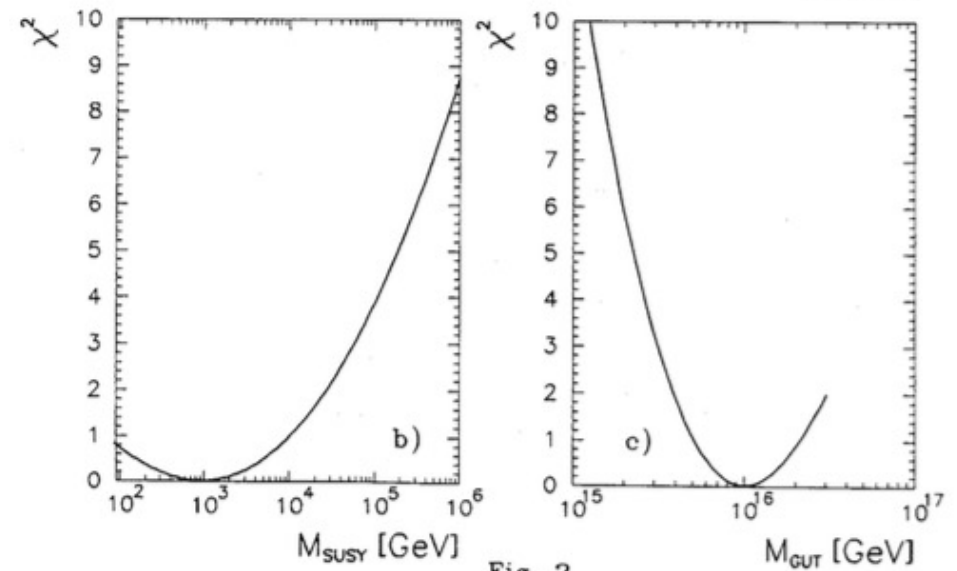
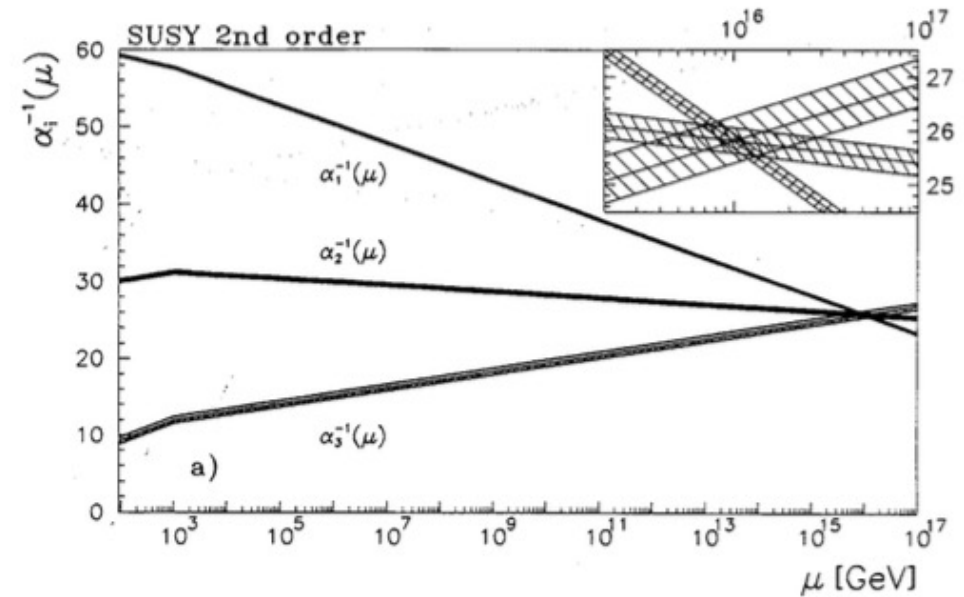
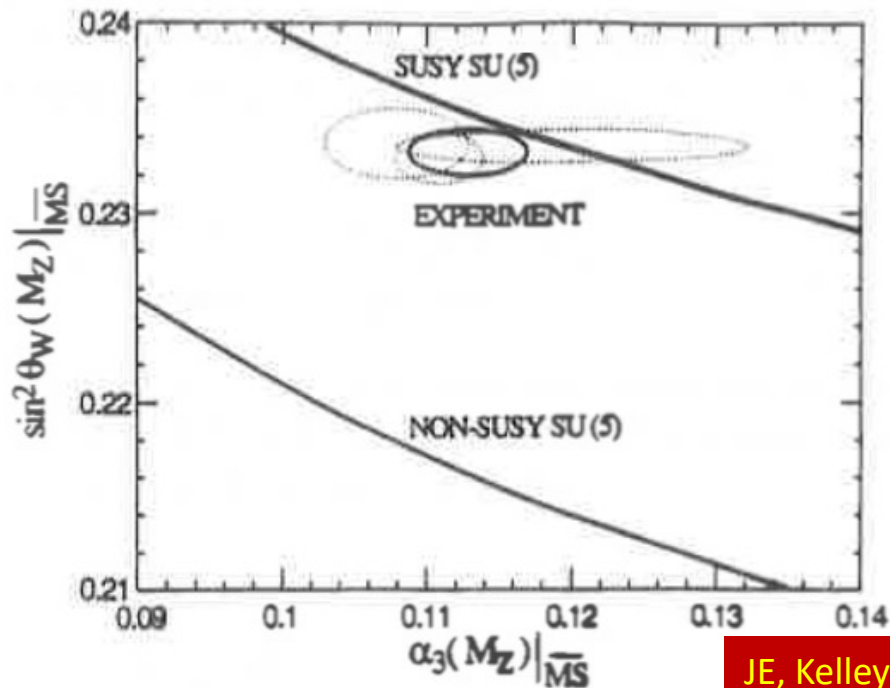


Fig. 2

Amaldi, de Boer & Furstenau

Lightest Sparticle as Dark Matter?

- No strong or electromagnetic interactions

Otherwise would bind to matter

Detectable as anomalous heavy nucleus

- Possible weakly-interacting candidates

Sneutrino

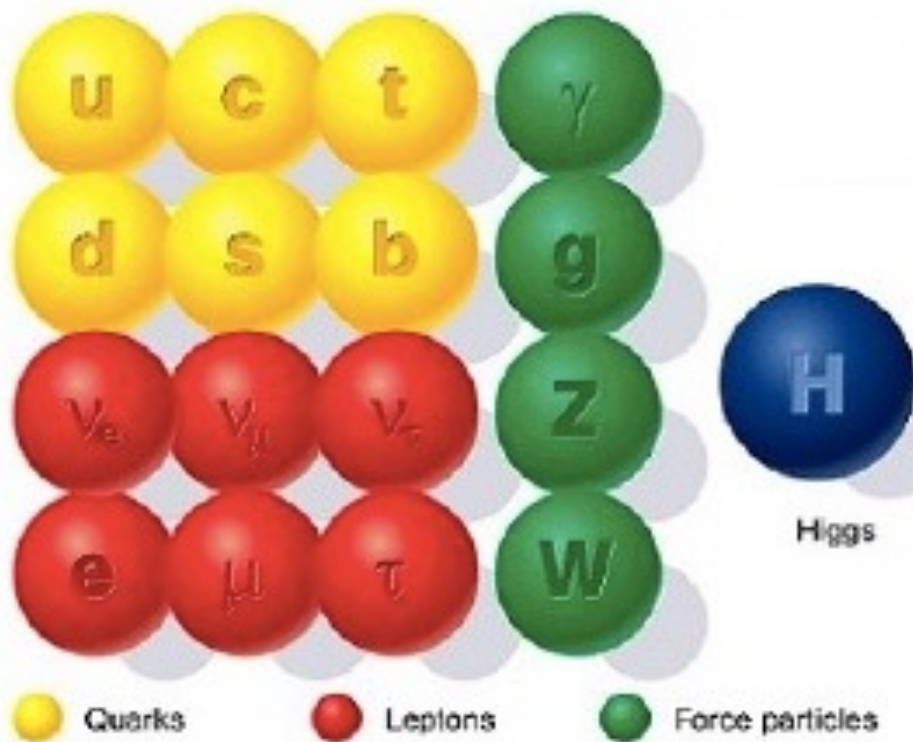
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Lightest neutralino χ (partner of Z, H, γ)

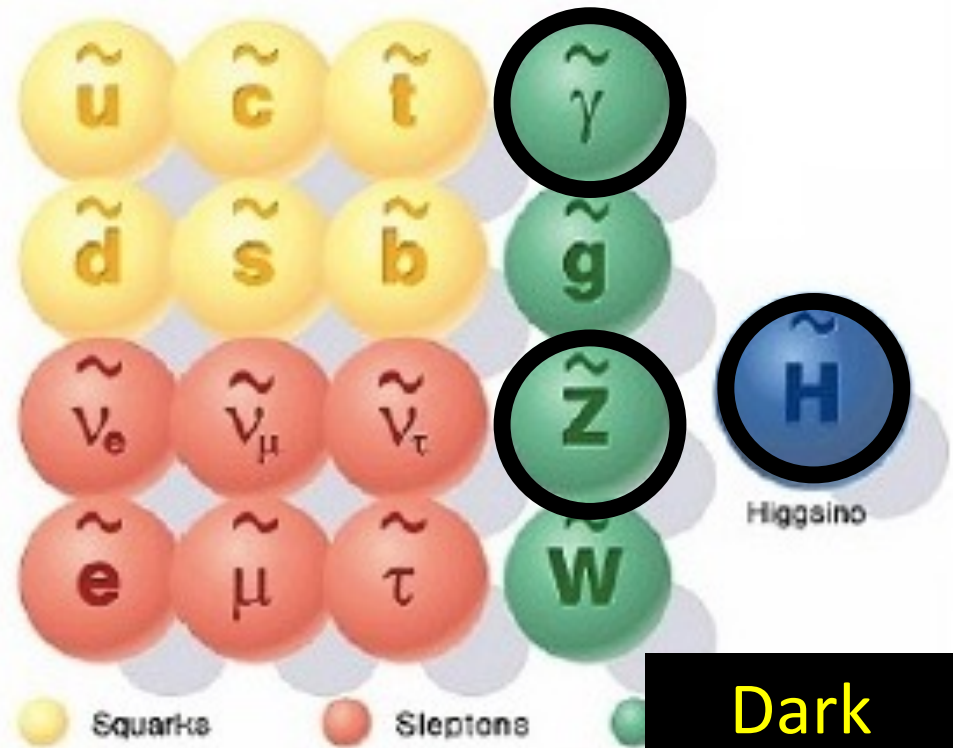
Gravitino

(nightmare for detection)

Minimal Supersymmetric Extension of the Standard Model

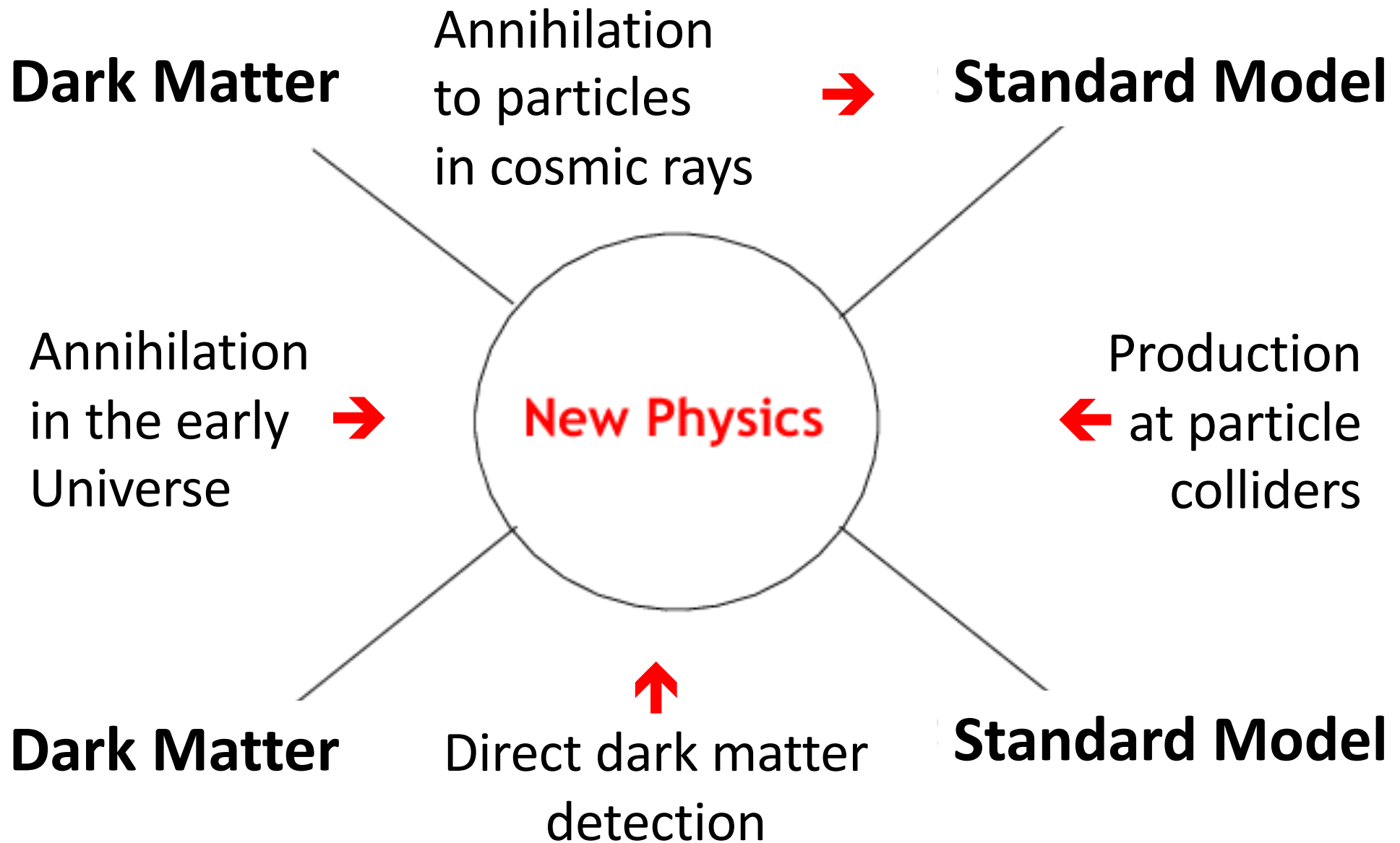


Standard particles

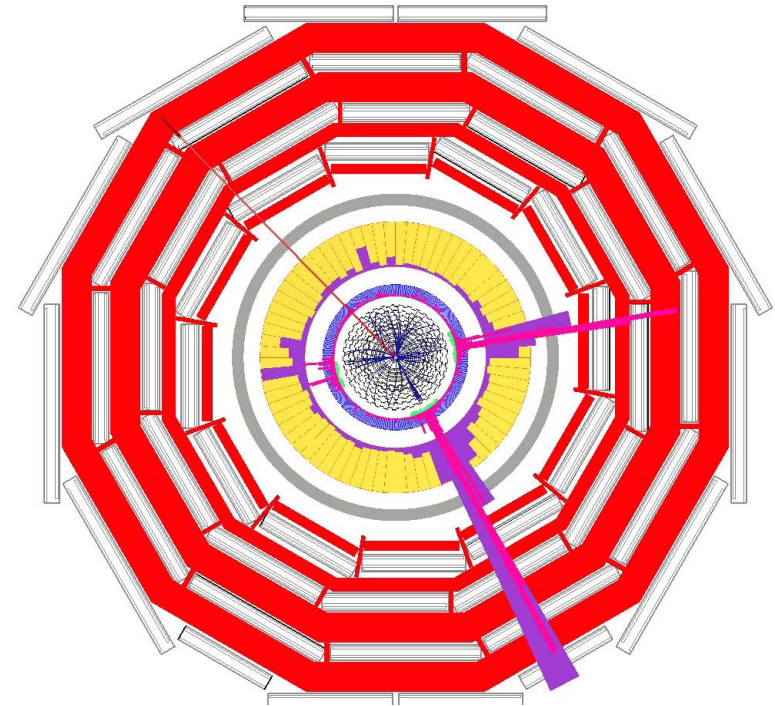
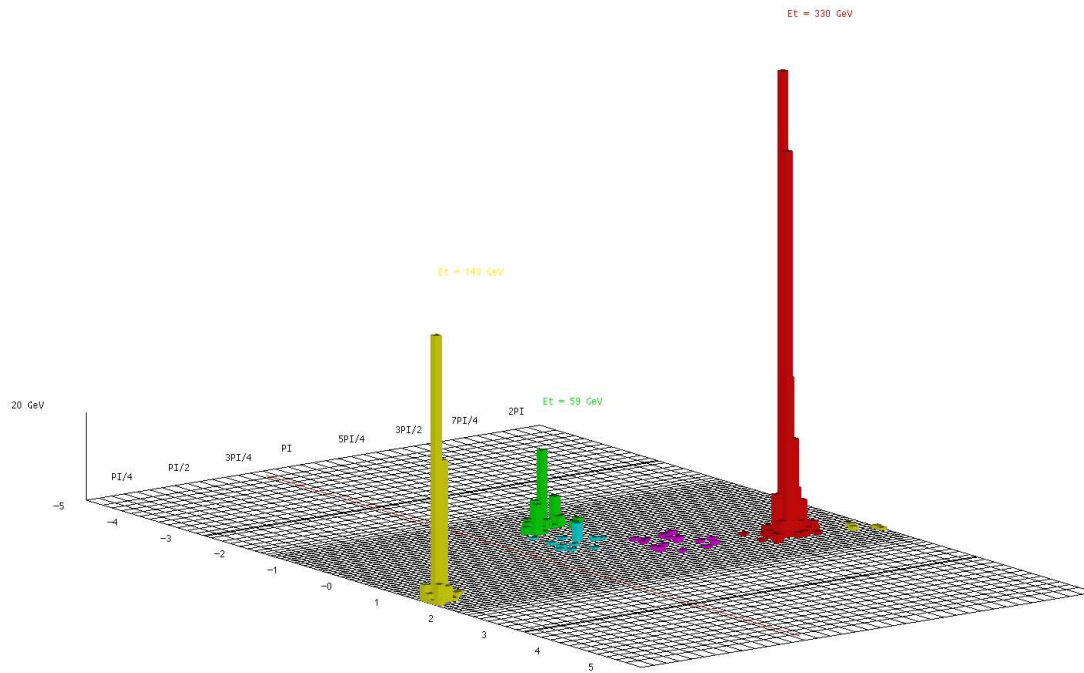


SUSY particles

Searches for Dark Matter



Classic Dark Matter Signature

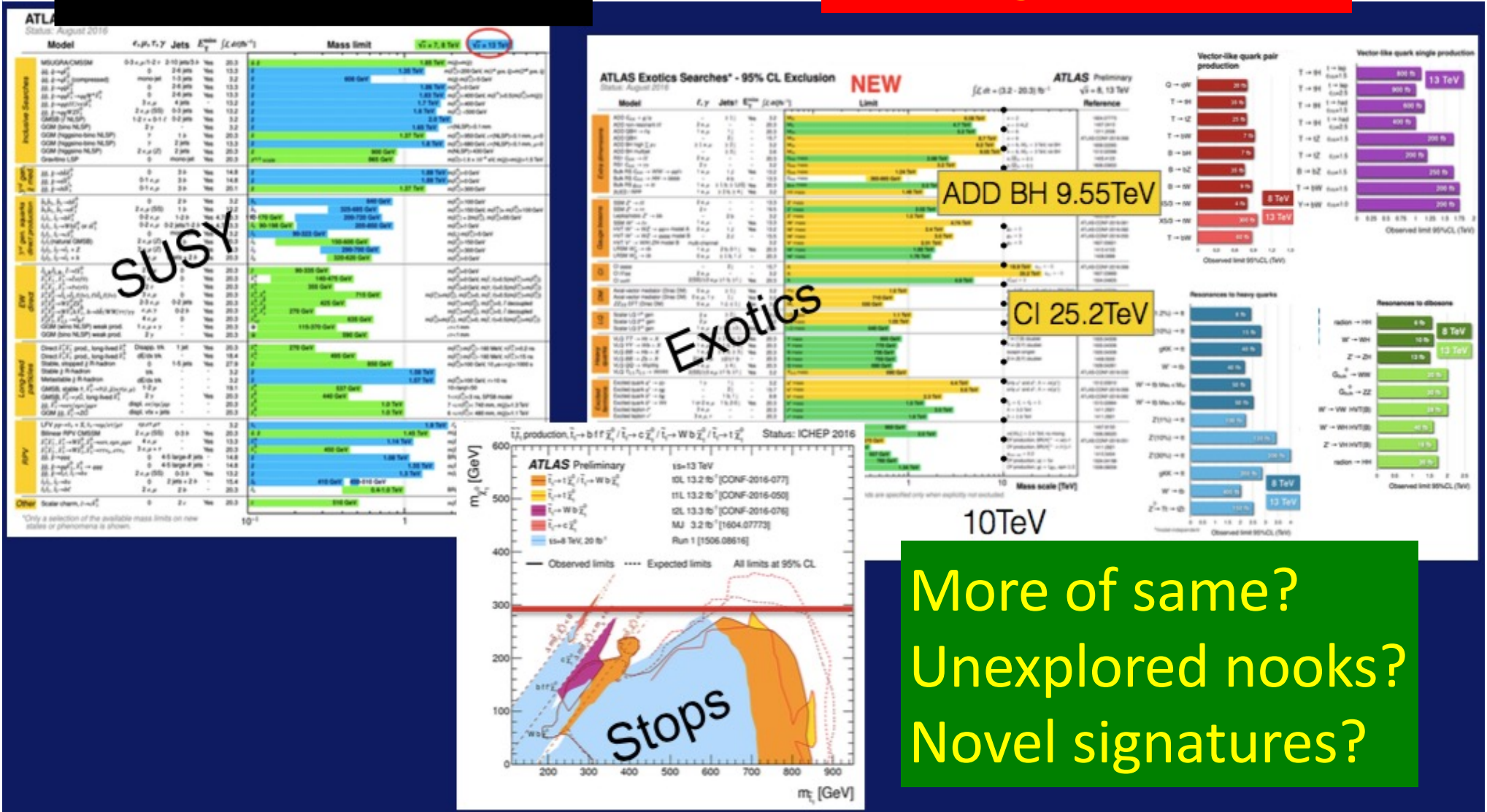


Missing transverse energy
carried away by dark matter particles

Nothing (yet) at the LHC

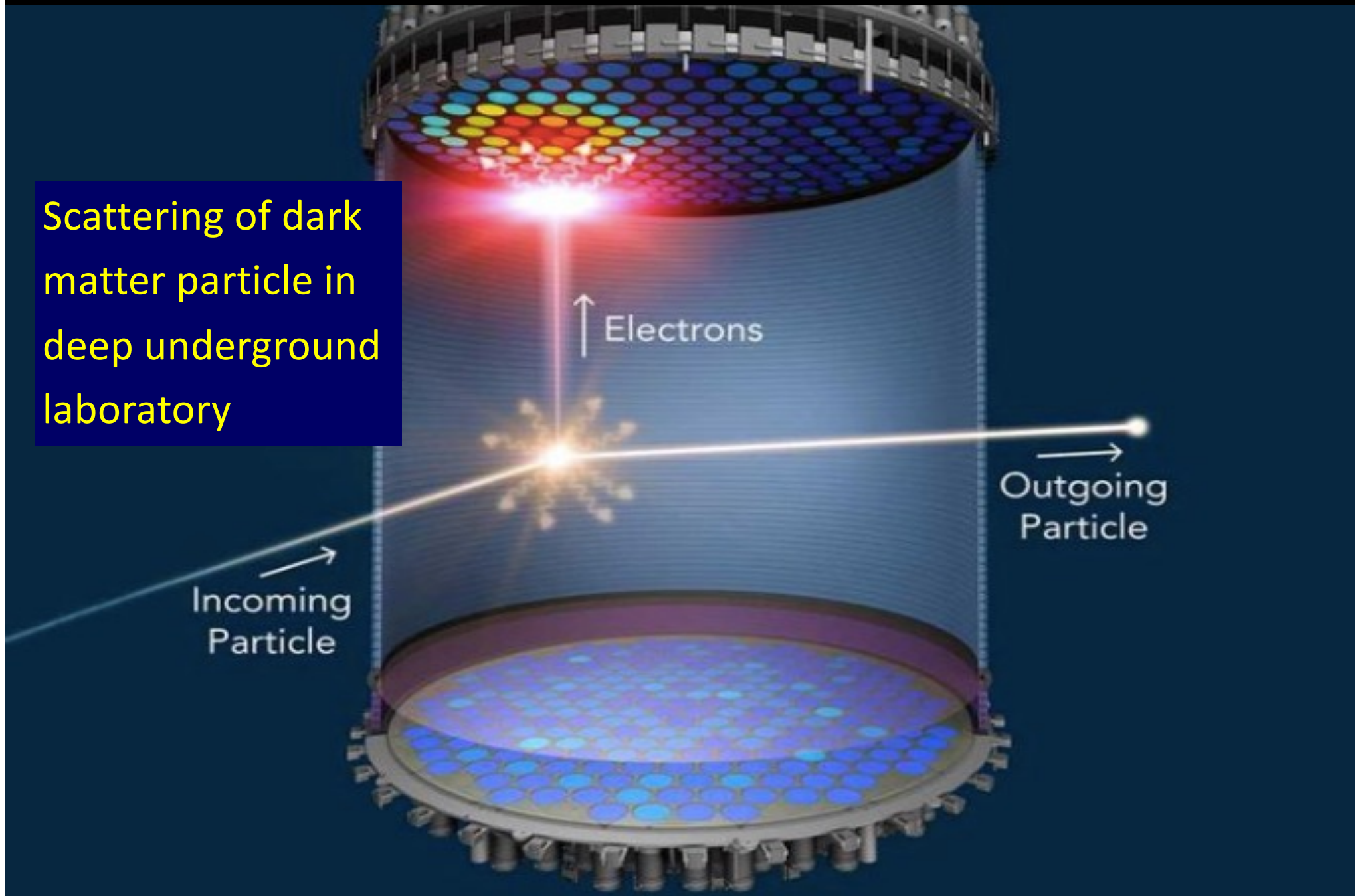
No supersymmetry

Nothing else, either



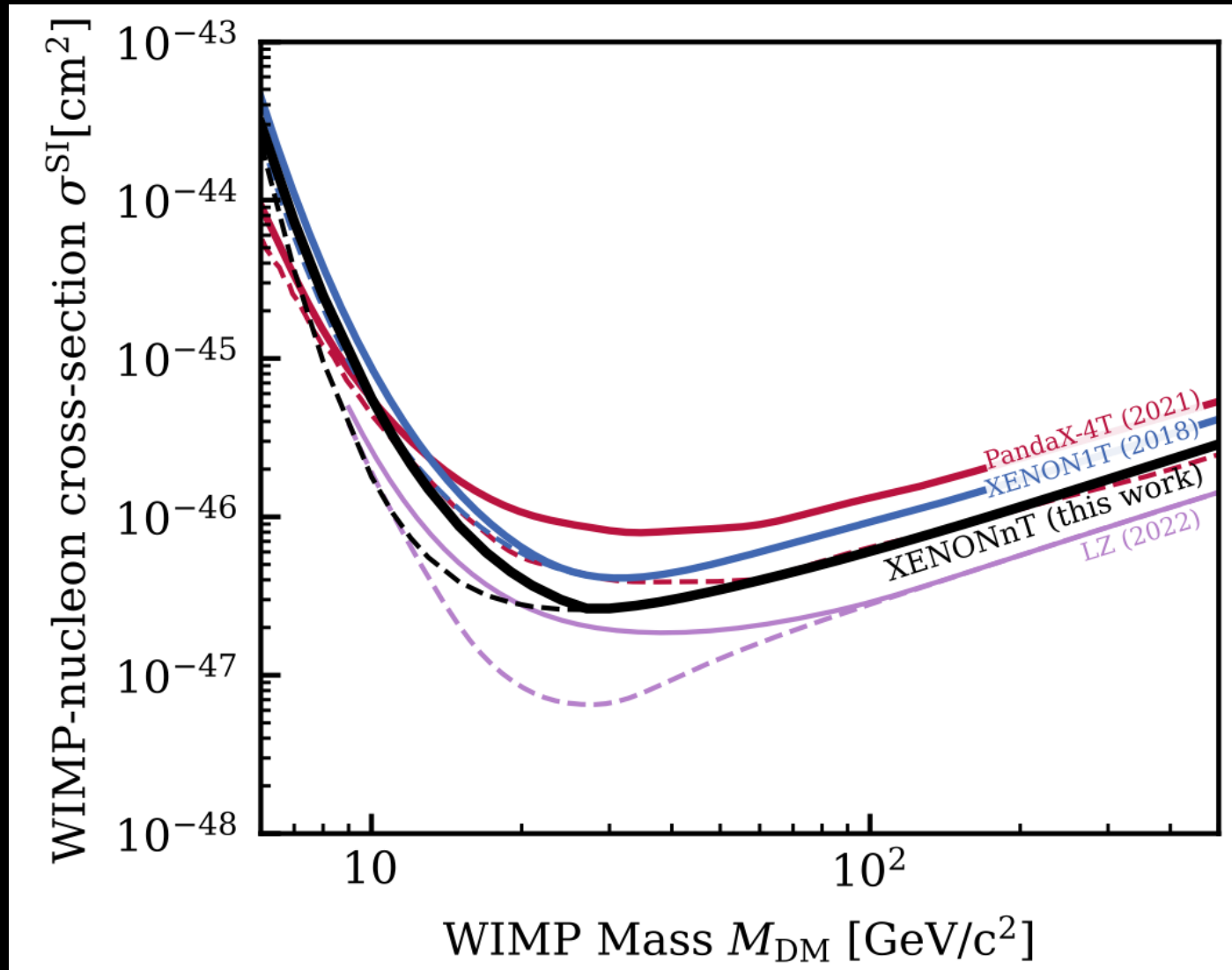
Direct Dark Matter Detection

Scattering of dark matter particle in deep underground laboratory

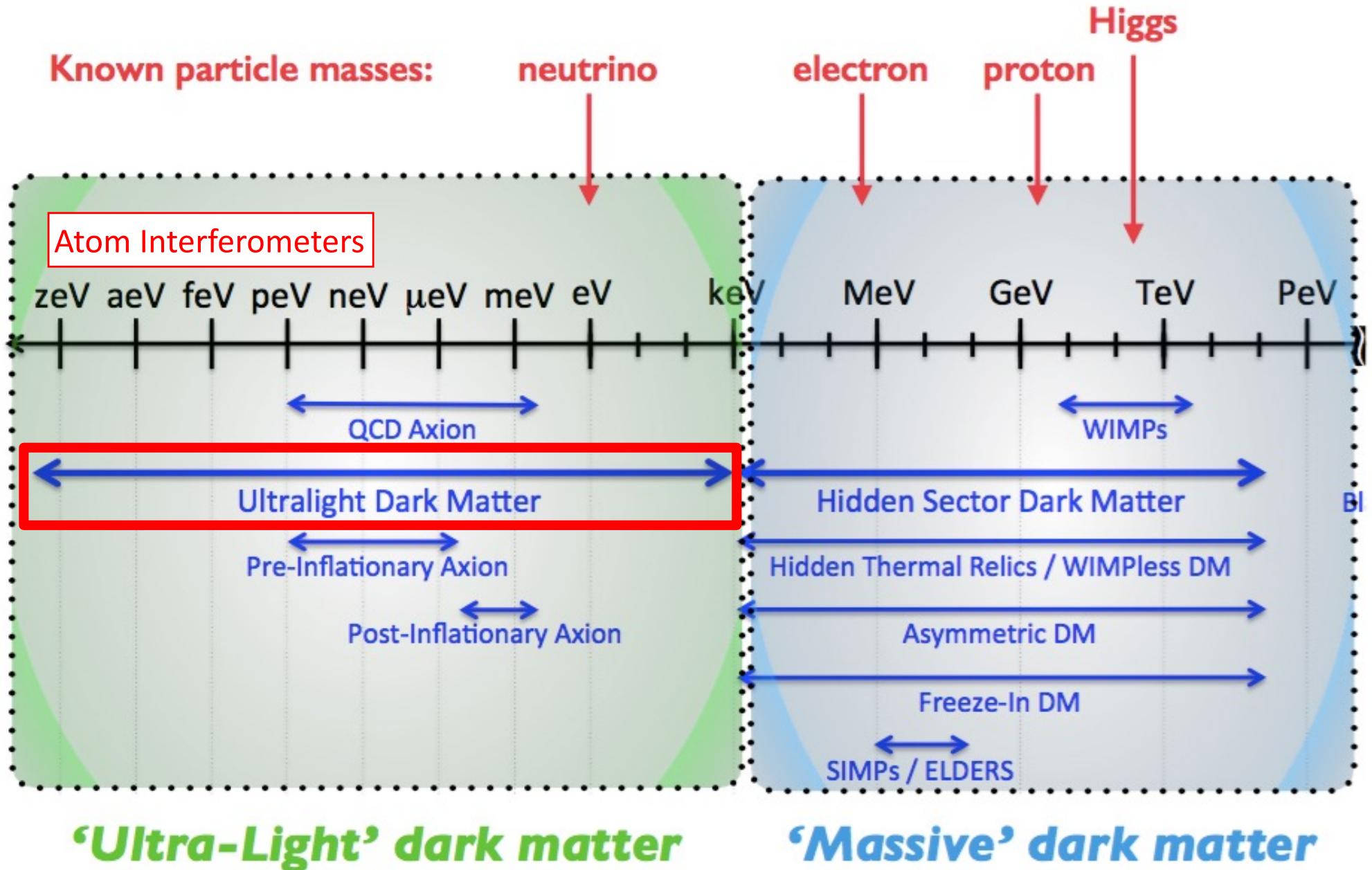


Direct Dark Matter Searches

- Latest experimental results

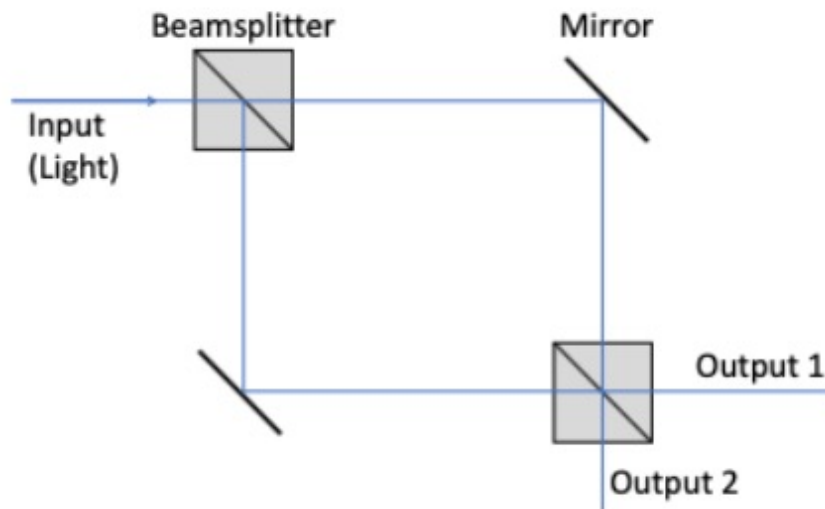


Candidates for Dark Matter

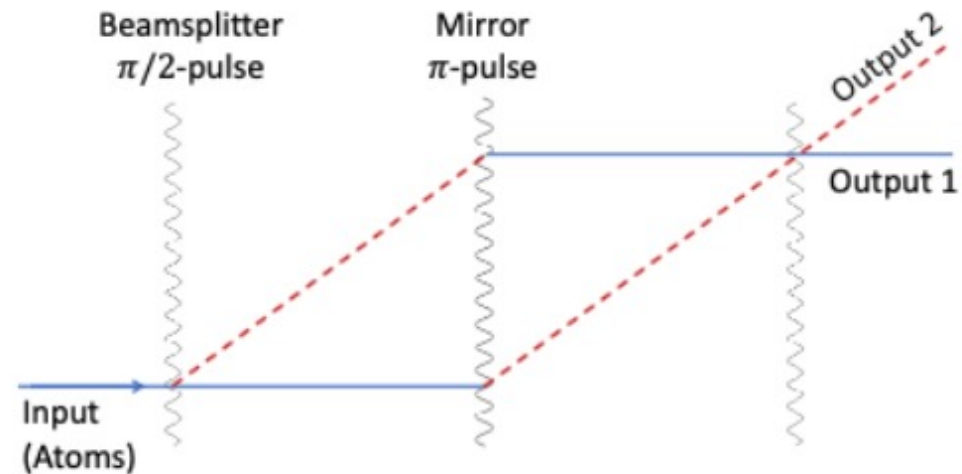


Principle of Atom Interferometry

Mach-Zehnder Laser Interferometer

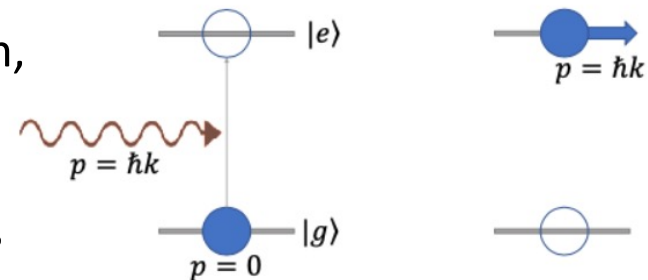


Atom Interferometer



Laser excitation gives momentum kick to excited atom, which follows separated space-time path

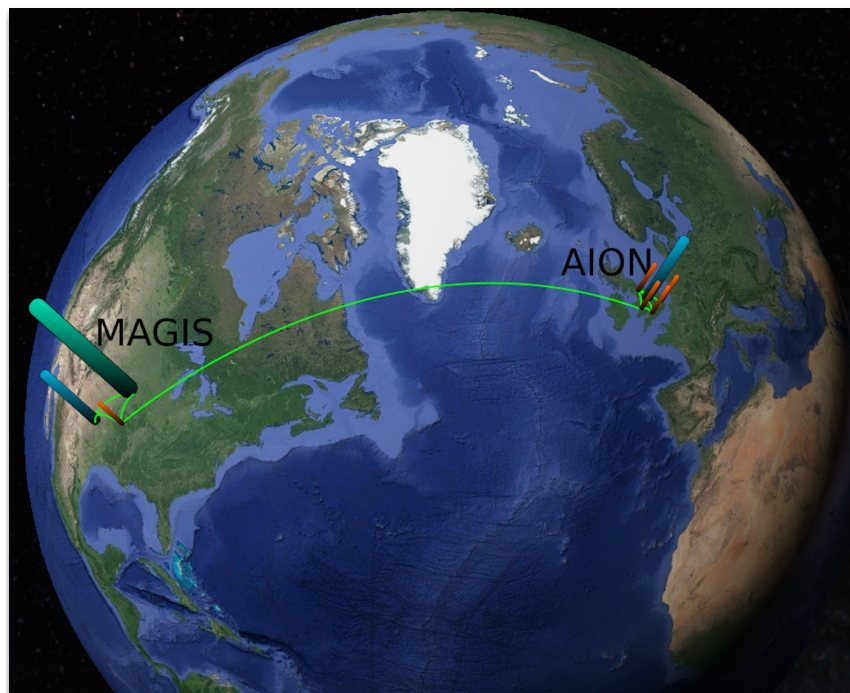
Interference between atoms following different paths



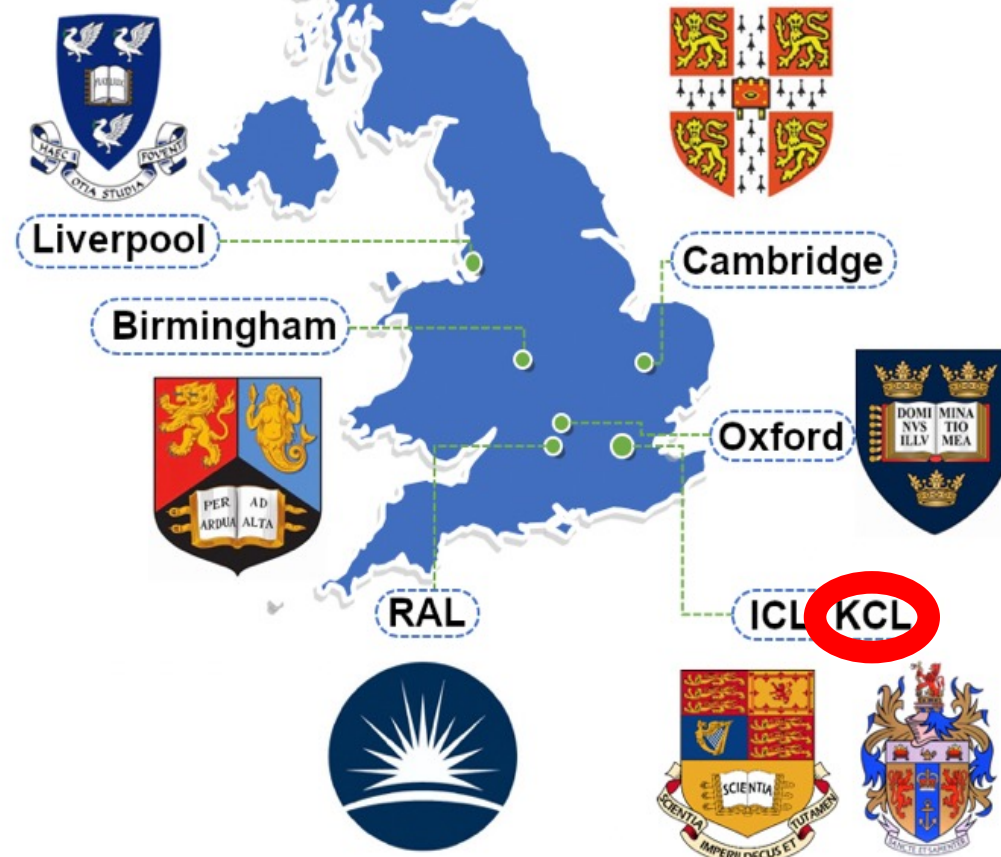
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Network with MAGIS project in US
 MAGIS Collaboration (Abe et al): arXiv:2104.02835



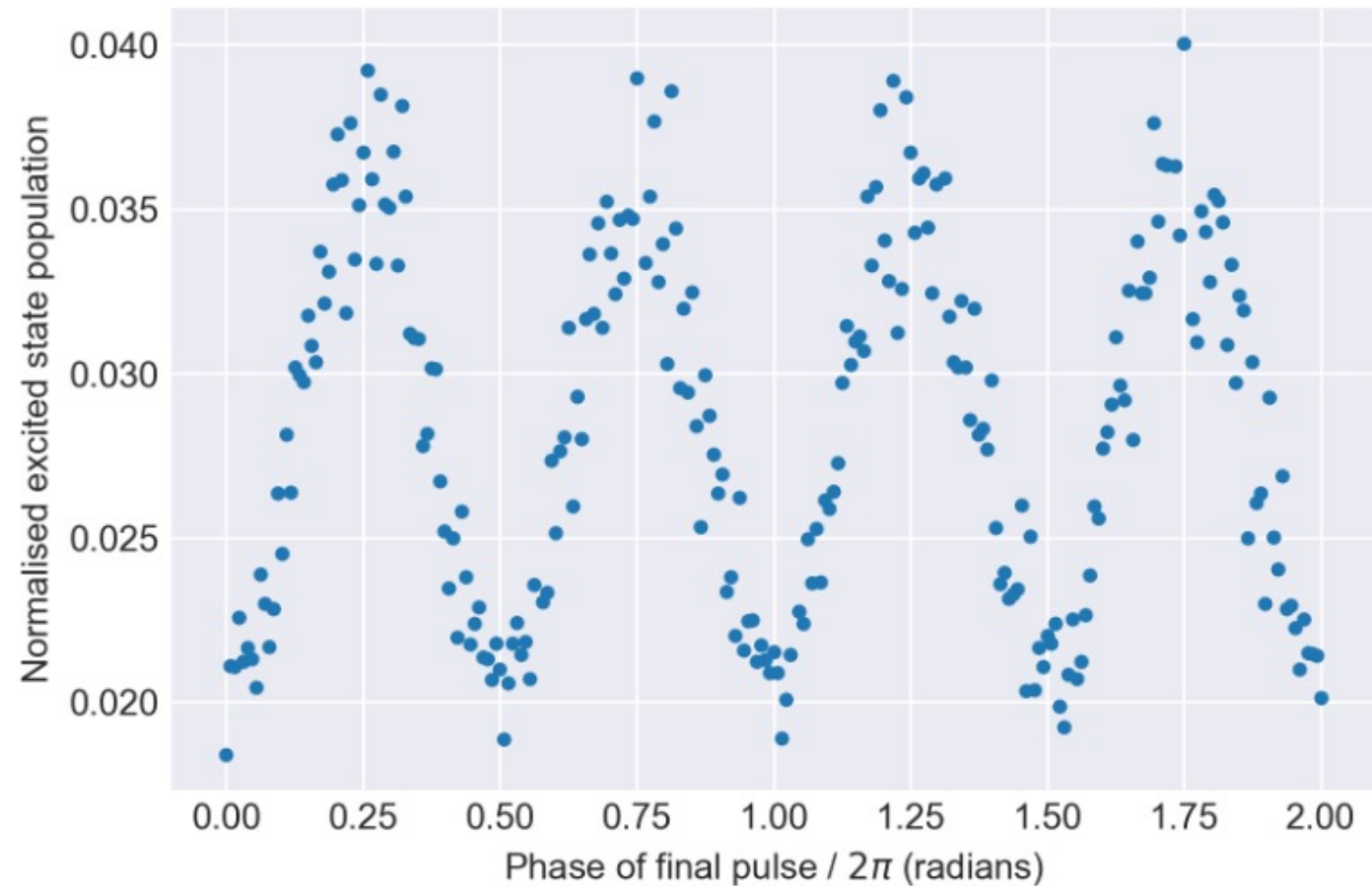
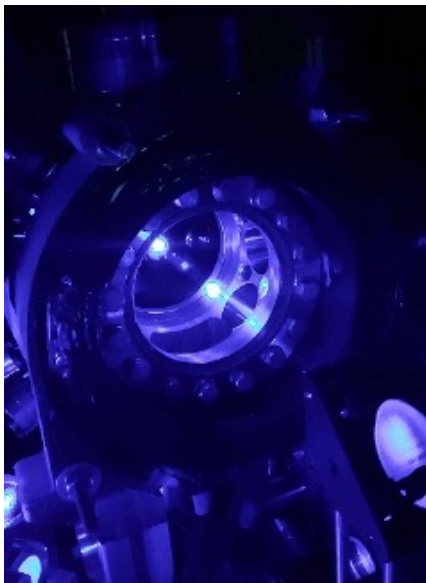
AION – Staged Programme

- AION-10: Stage 1 [year 1 to 3]
 - 1 & 10 m Interferometers & site investigation for 100m baseline
- AION-100: Stage 2 [year 3 to 6]
 - 100m Construction & commissioning
- AION-KM: Stage 3 [> year 6]
 - Operating AION-100 and planning for 1 km & beyond
- AION-SPACE (AEDGE): Stage 4 [after AION-km]
 - Space-based version

Initial funding from UK STFC

Atom Interference Fringes

Atomic analogue of Mach-Zehnder optical interferometer

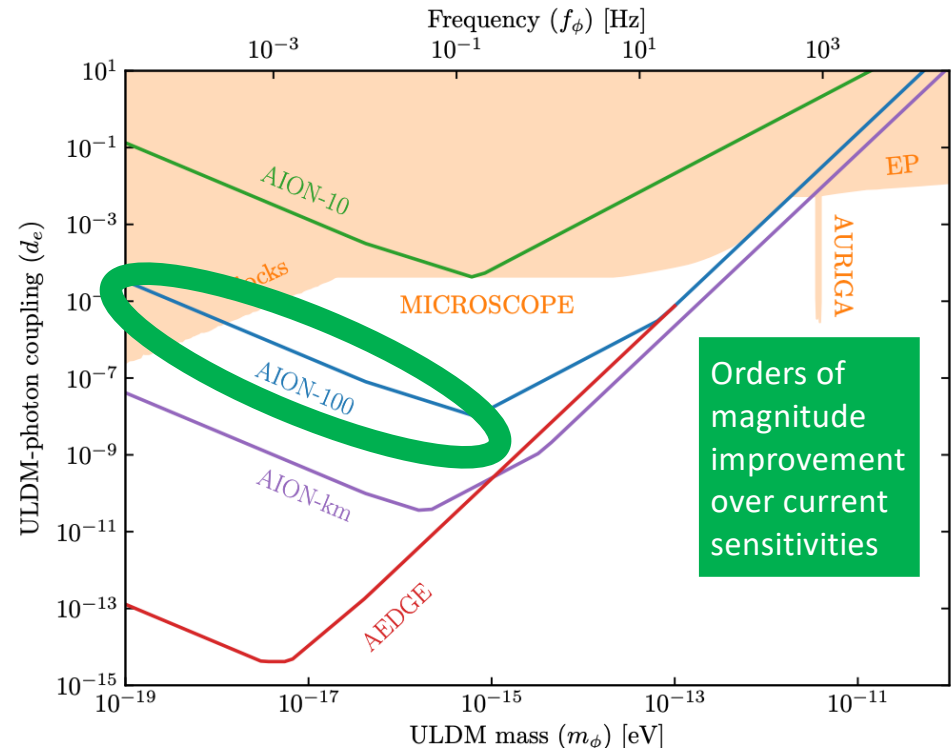
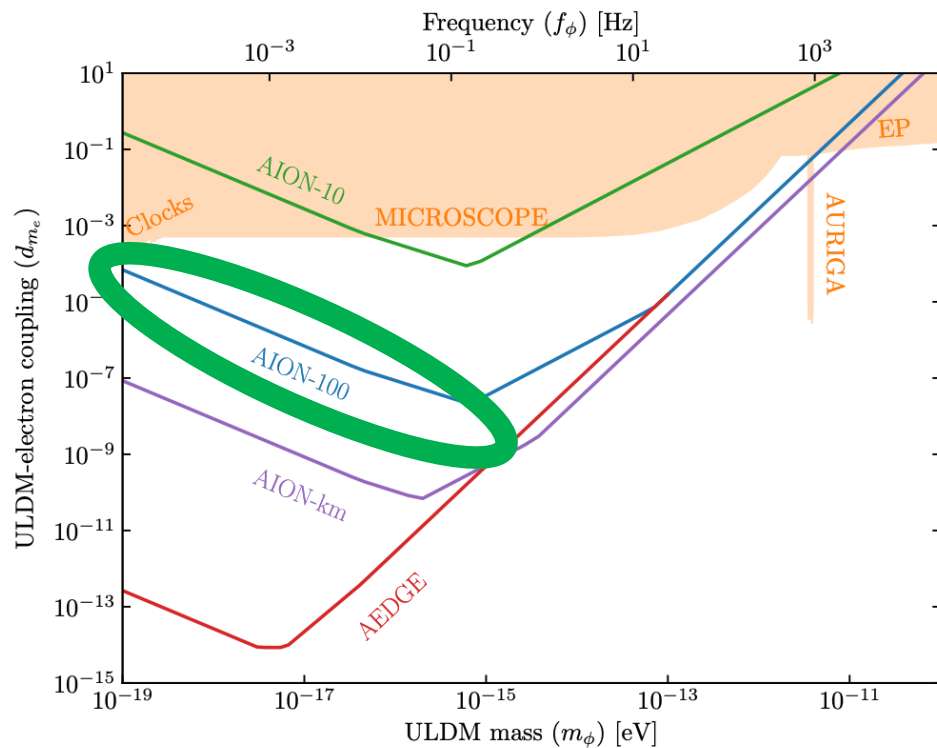
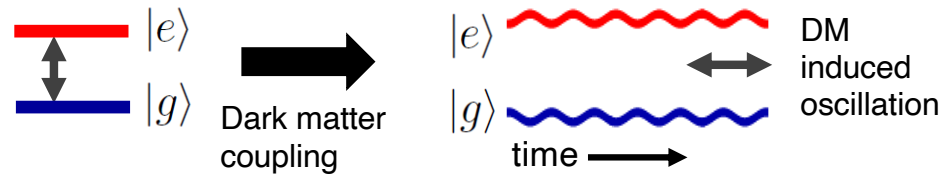


Using 689 nm transition in Sr

Searches for Light Dark Matter

Linear couplings to gauge fields and matter fermions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}\phi} = \kappa\phi \left[+\frac{d_e}{4e^2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{d_g\beta_3}{2g_3} F_{\mu\nu}^A F^{A\mu\nu} - \sum_{i=e,u,d} (d_{m_i} + \gamma_{m_i} d_g) m_i \bar{\psi}_i \psi_i \right]$$

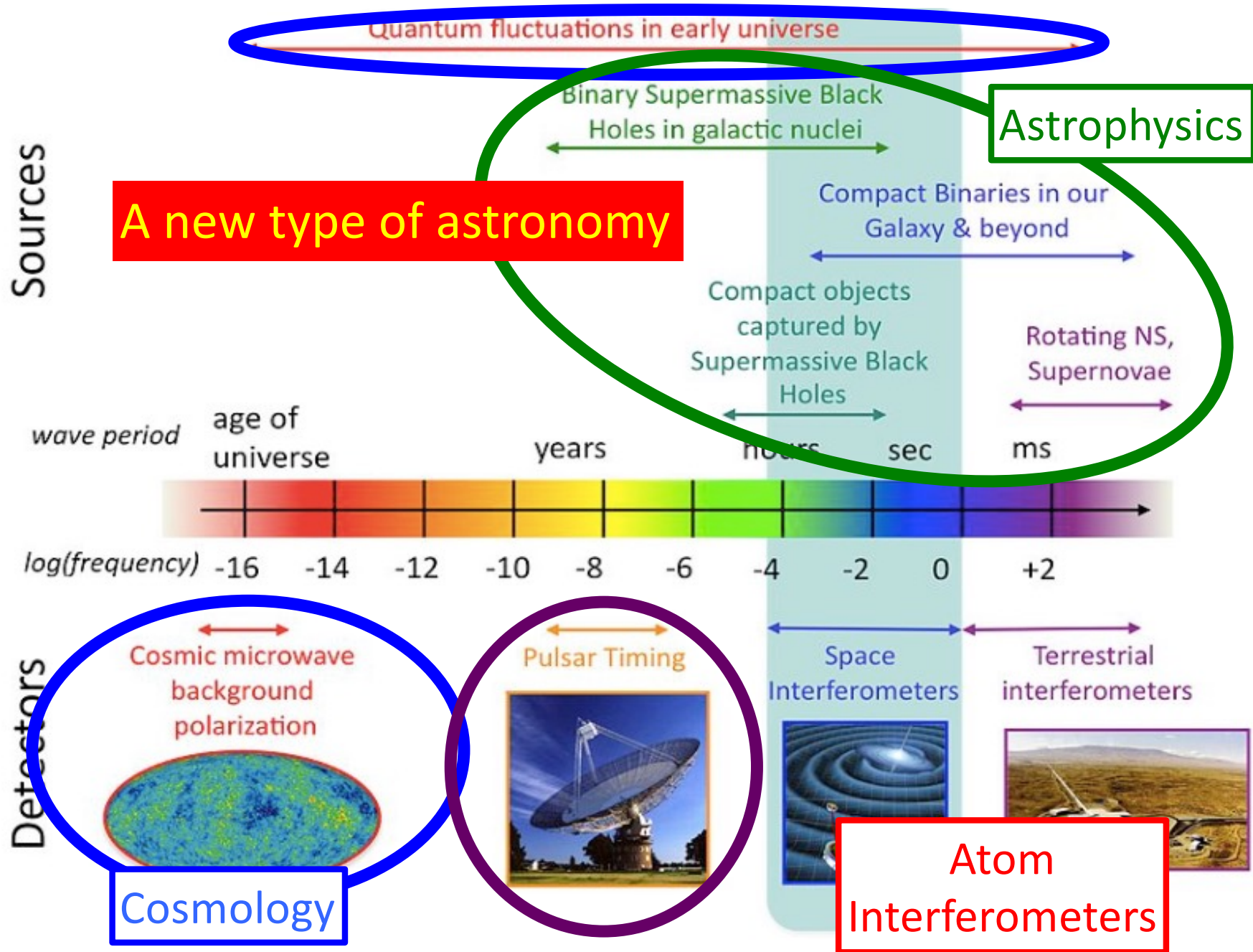


The Biggest Bangs since the Big Bang



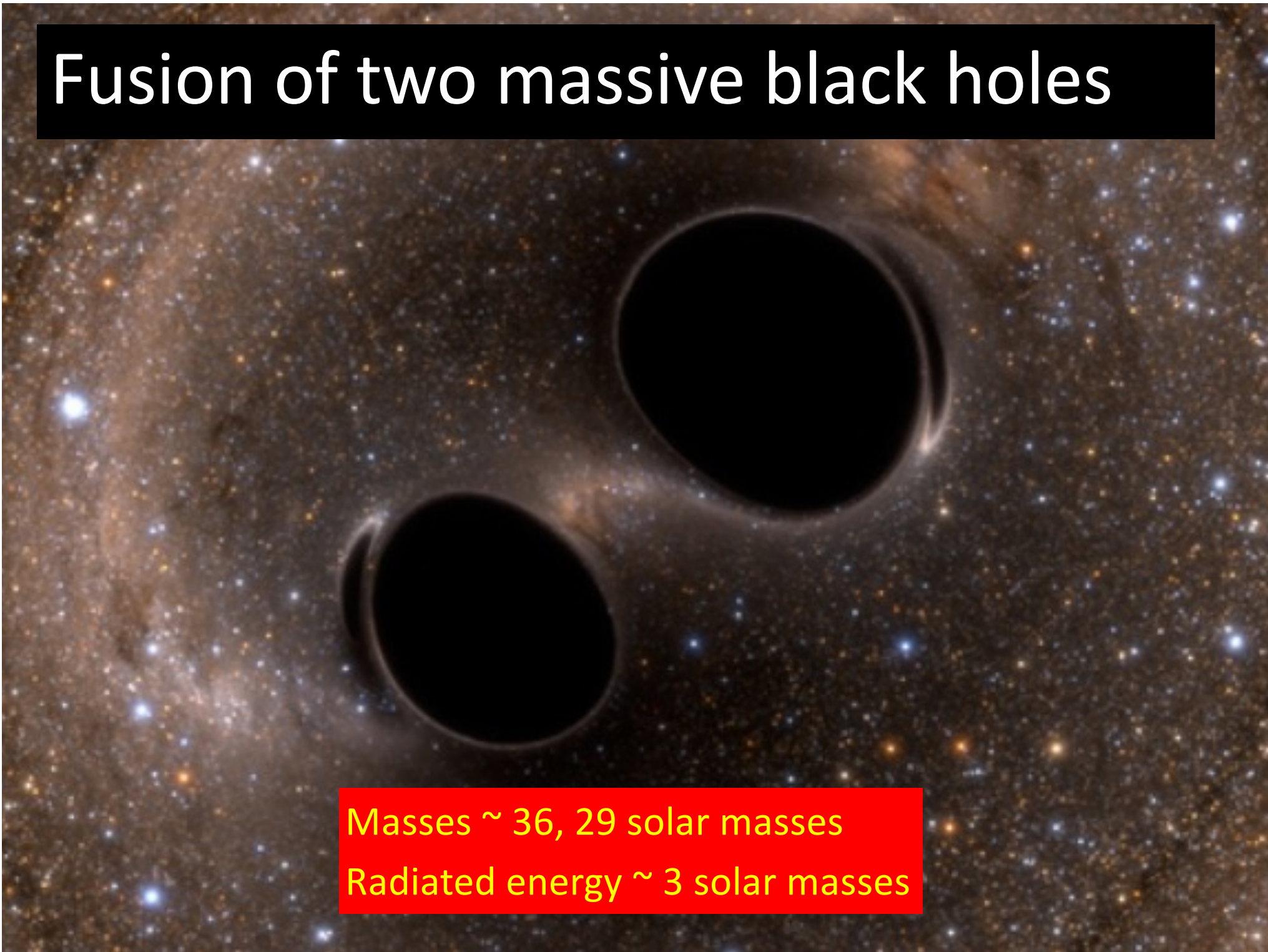
Mergers of supermassive black holes

Gravitational Wave Spectrum



Fusion of two massive black holes

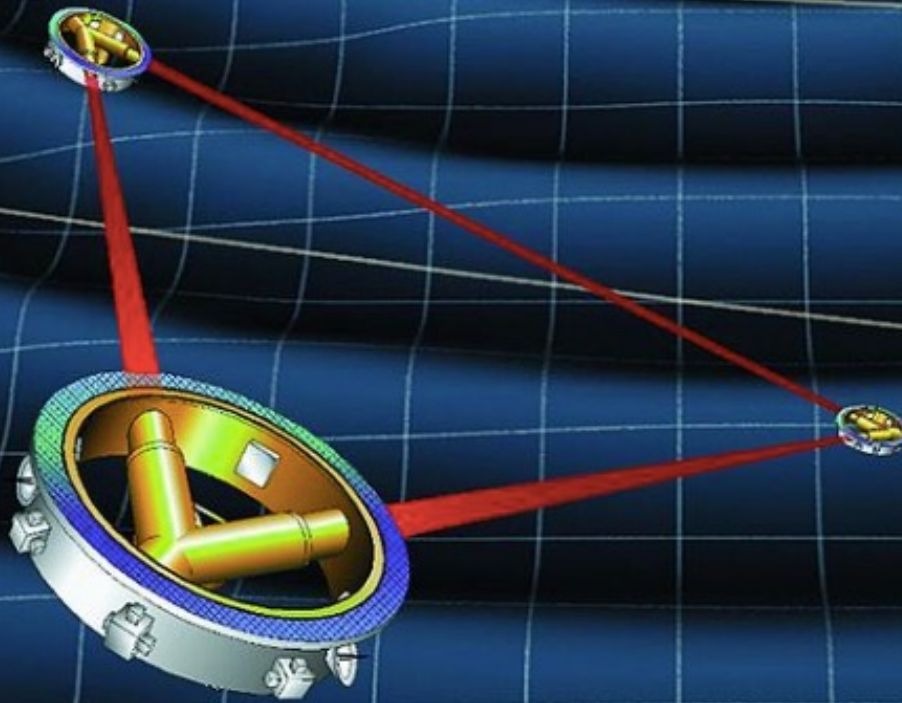
Masses $\sim 36, 29$ solar masses
Radiated energy ~ 3 solar masses



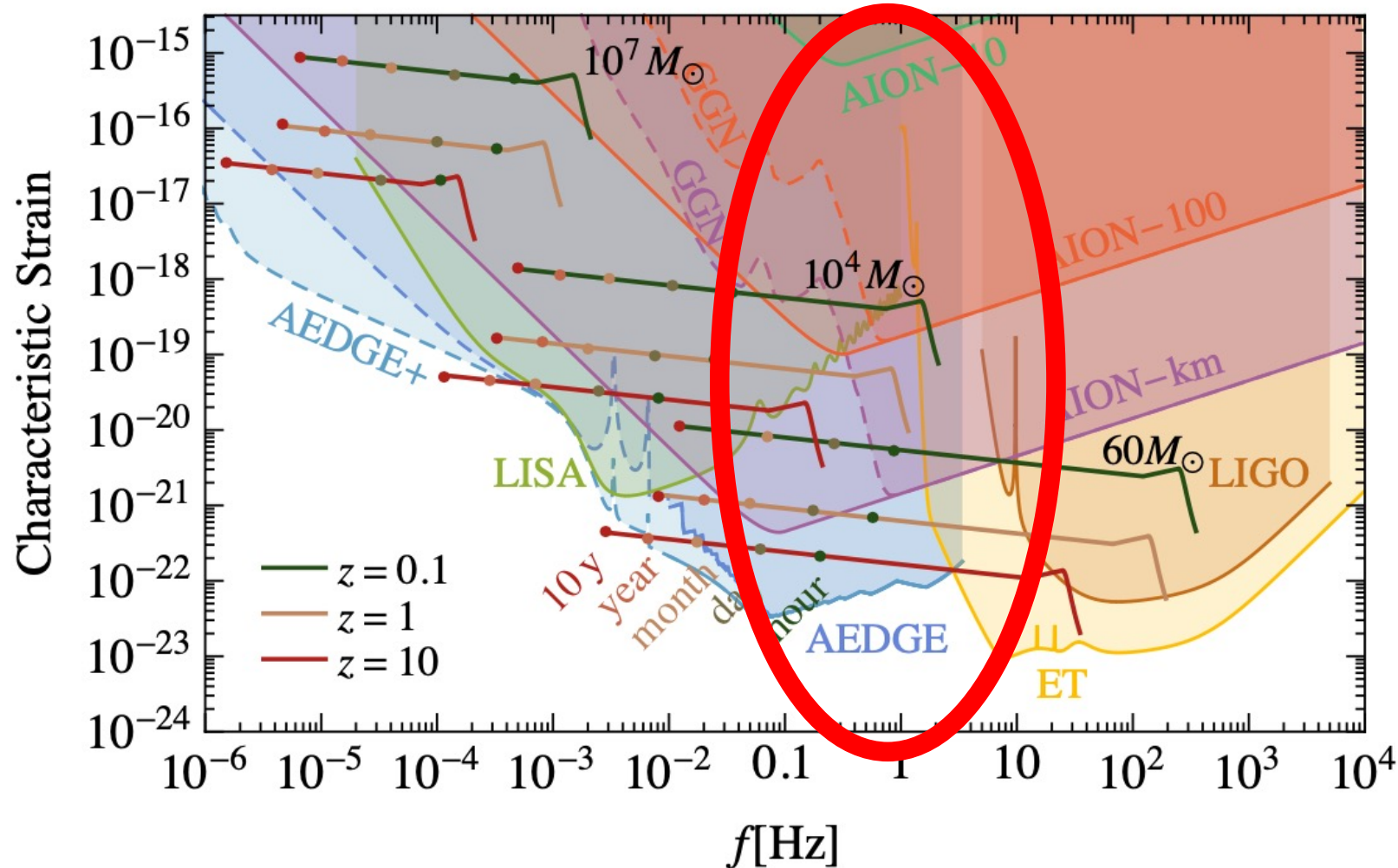
Future Step: Interferometer in Space

Supermassive black holes
in galactic centres
 $\gtrsim 10^6 \times \text{Sun}$
Detect mergers
Intermediate masses?

LISA (+ Taiji, Tianqin)



Gravitational Waves from IMBH Mergers



Probe formation of SMBHs

Synergies with other GW experiments (LIGO, LISA), test GR

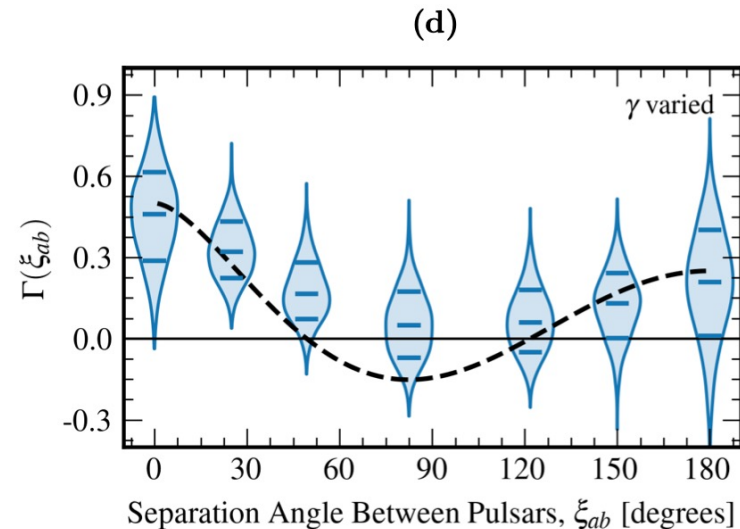
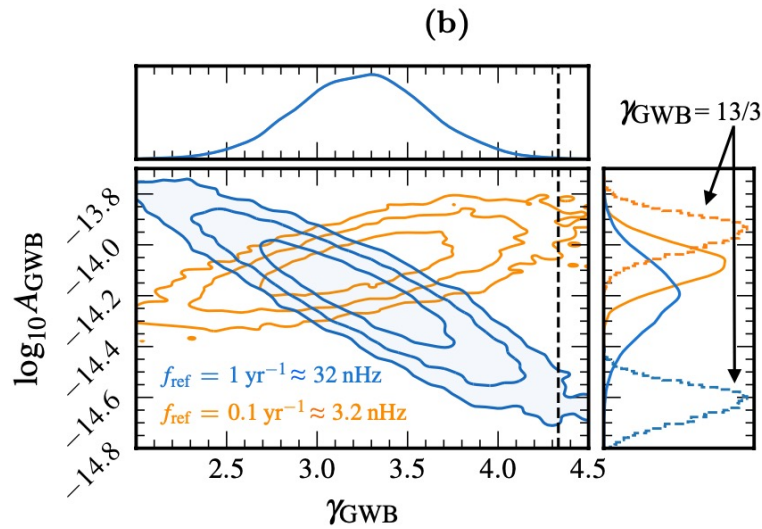
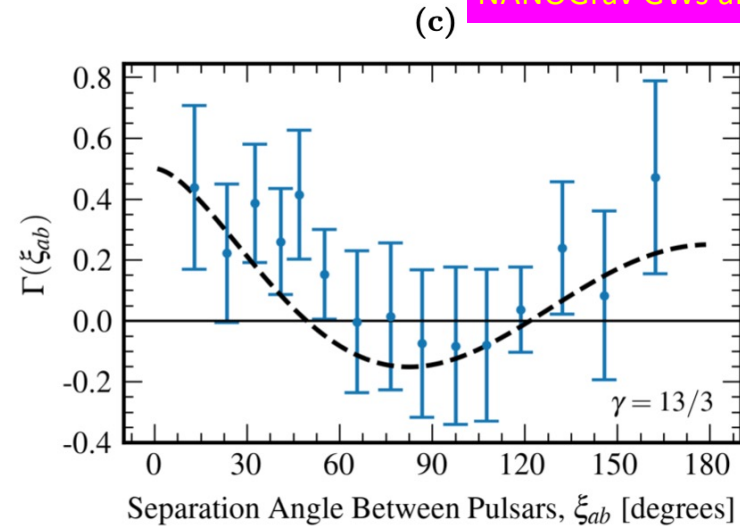
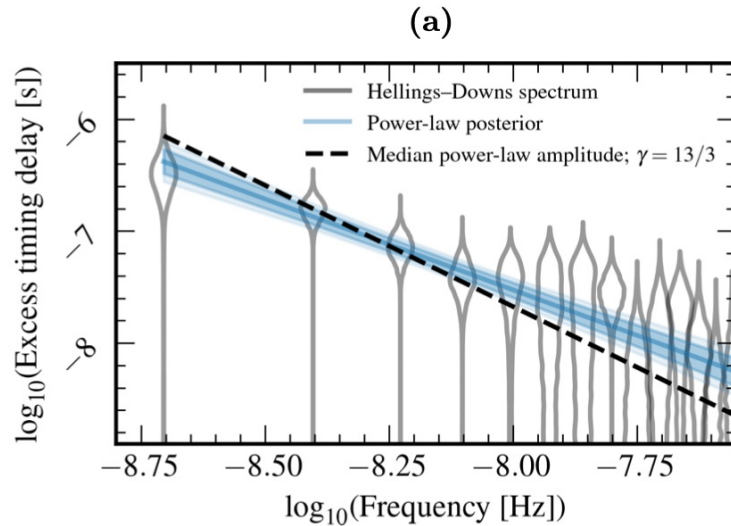
Pulsar Timing Arrays



NANOGrav
& other PTAs see
nanoHz GW signal

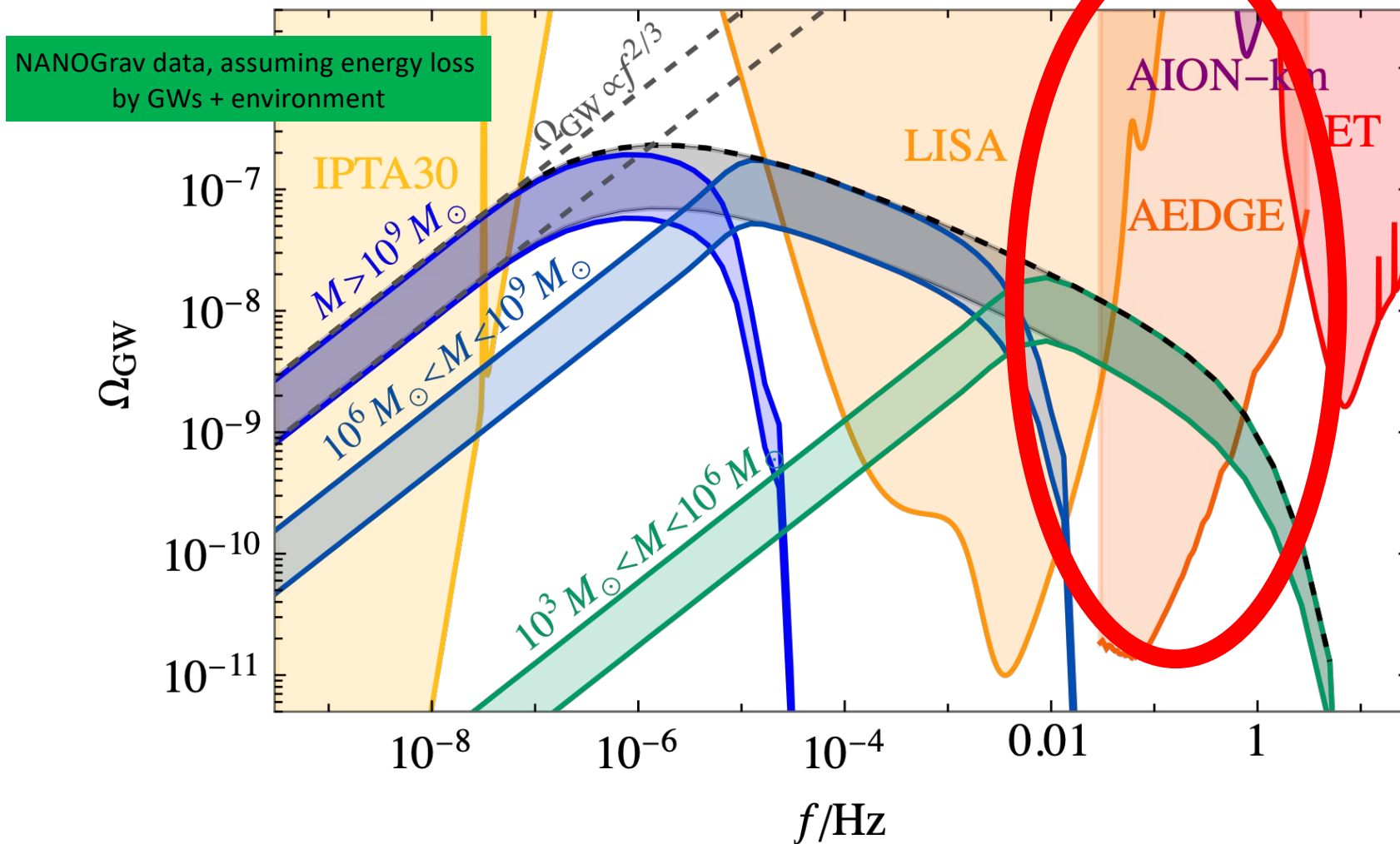
NANOGrav 15-Year Data

NANOGrav GWs arXiv:2306.16213



Evidence for GWs: Hellings-Downs angular correlation Bayes factor ~ 200

Stochastic GW Background from BH Mergers



Black dashed line is maximum possible Ω_{GW} , i.e., $p_{\text{BH}} = 1$

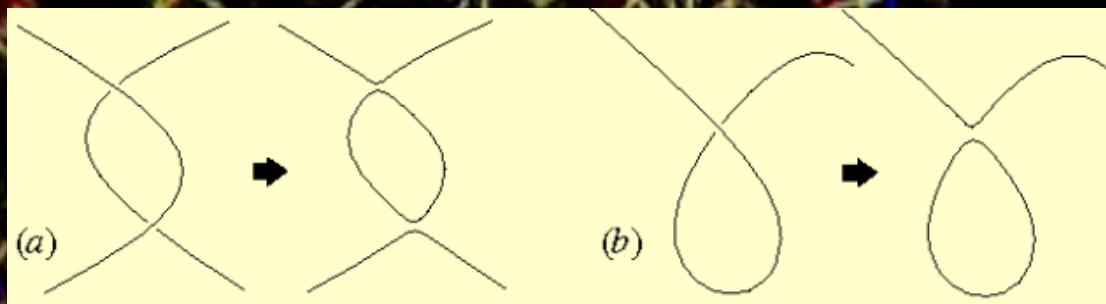
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Probing Extensions of the Standard Model

Simulation of bubble collisions – D. Weir

Probing Cosmic Strings

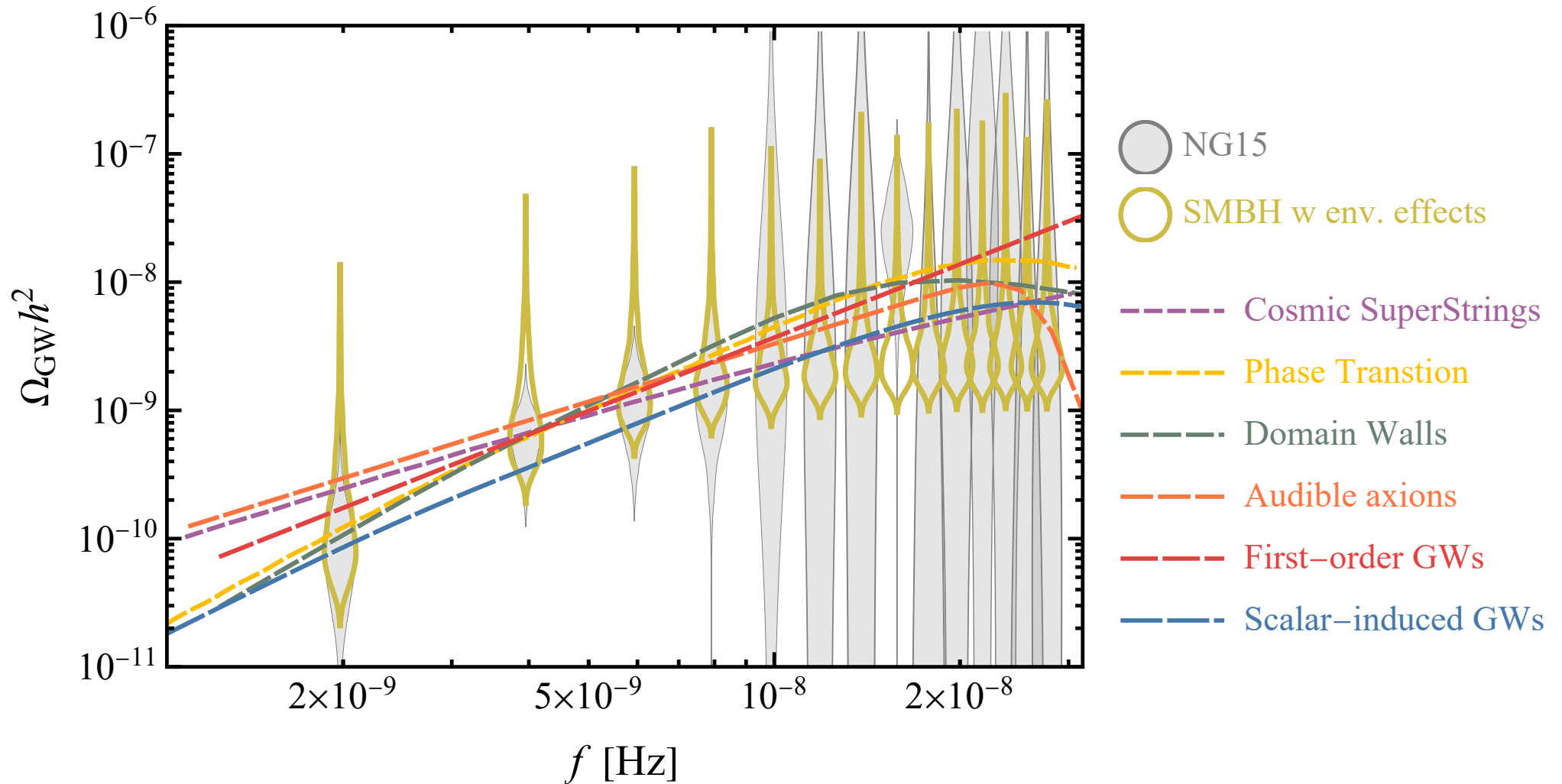
Hint from the NANOGrav pulsar timing array?



GW emission from string loops

Simulation of cosmic string network – Cambridge cosmology group

BSM Model Fits to NANOGrav



All better than GW-driven SMBH binaries: phase transition and domain walls best

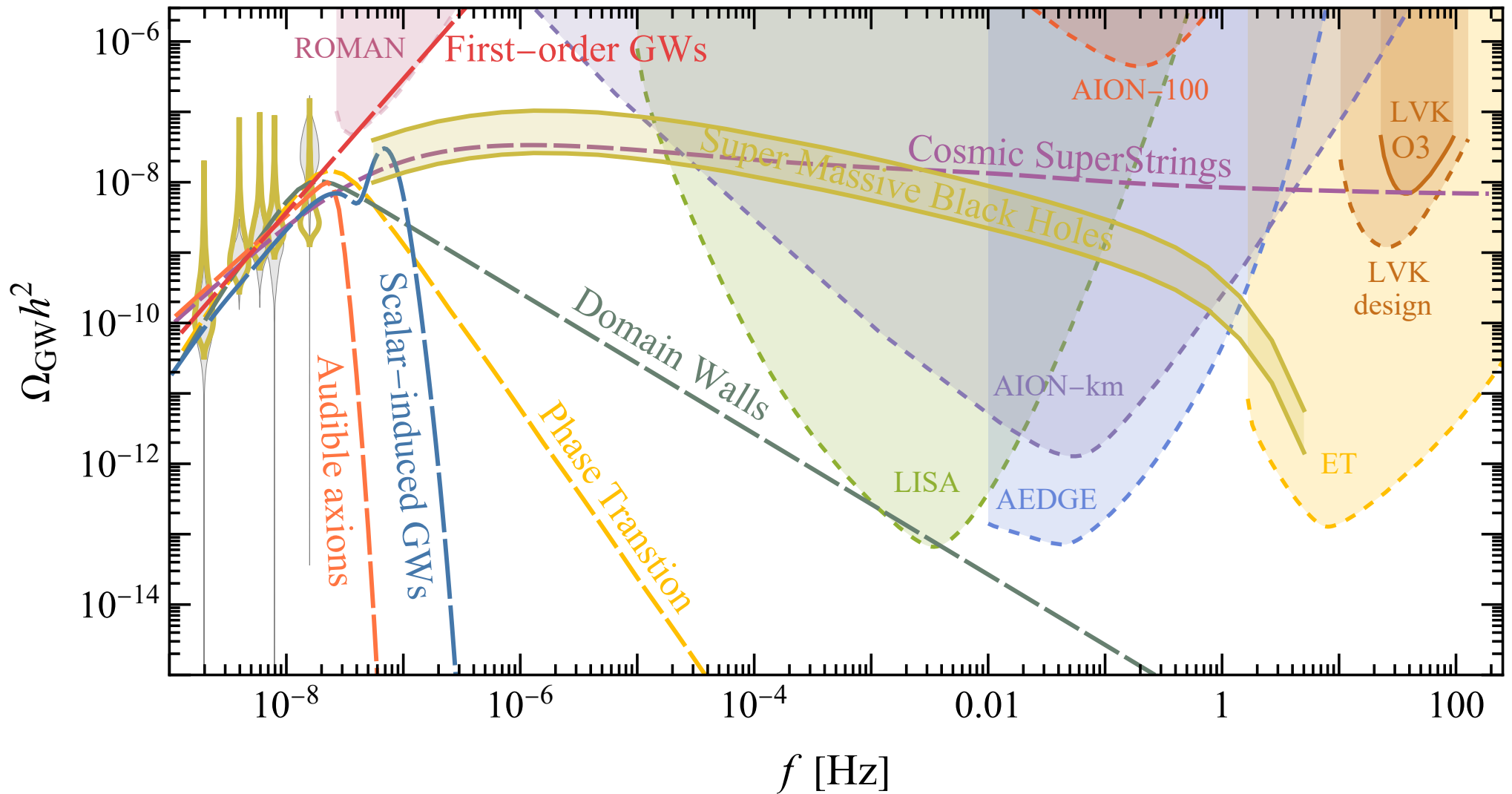
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Results from Multi-Model Analysis (MMA)

Scenario	Best-fit parameters	$\Delta\chi^2$	Favoured by	Signatures
GW-driven SMBH binaries	$p_{\text{BH}} = 0.25$	10.5	-2.9σ	FAPS, LISA, mid- <i>f</i> , LVK, ET
GW + environment-driven SMBH binaries	$p_{\text{BH}} = 1$ $\alpha = 3.8$ $f_{\text{ref}} = 12$ nHz	Baseline ($\chi^2 = 49.4$)	Baseline	FAPS, LISA, mid- <i>f</i> , LVK, ET
Cosmic (super)strings (CS)	$G\mu = 2 \times 10^{-12}$ $p = 6.3 \times 10^{-3}$	-1.7	2.5σ	FAPS, LISA, mid- <i>f</i> , LVK, ET
Phase transition (PT)	$T_* = 0.24$ GeV $\beta/H = 6.0$	-6.3	2.5σ	FAPS, LISA, mid-<i>f</i>, LVK, ET
Domain walls (DWs)	$T_{\text{ann}} = 0.79$ GeV $\alpha_* = 0.026$	-6.2	2.5σ	FAPS, LISA?, mid- <i>f</i> , LVK, ET
Scalar-induced GWs (SIGWs)	$k_* = 10^{7.6}/\text{Mpc}^{-1}$ $A = 10^{-1.1}$ $\Delta = 0.28$	-5.4	2.3σ	FAPS, LISA, mid-<i>f</i>, LVK, ET
First-order GWs (FOGWs)	$\log_{10} r = -14.75$ $n_t = 2.7$ $\log_{10} T_{\text{rh}} = -0.015$	-8.5	2.9σ	FAPS, LISA, mid-<i>f</i>, LVK, ET
“Audible” axions and Axion-Like Particles (ALPs)	$m_a = 1.3 \times 10^{-11}$ MeV $f_a = 0.17 M_{\text{P}}$	-3.7	1.9σ	FAPS, LISA, mid-<i>f</i>, LVK, ET

All better than GW-driven SMBH binaries: phase transition and domain walls best

BSM Model Fits to NANOGrav



Supermassive black hole binaries and cosmic (super)strings offer signatures at higher frequencies

Still Waiting for BSM Physics

