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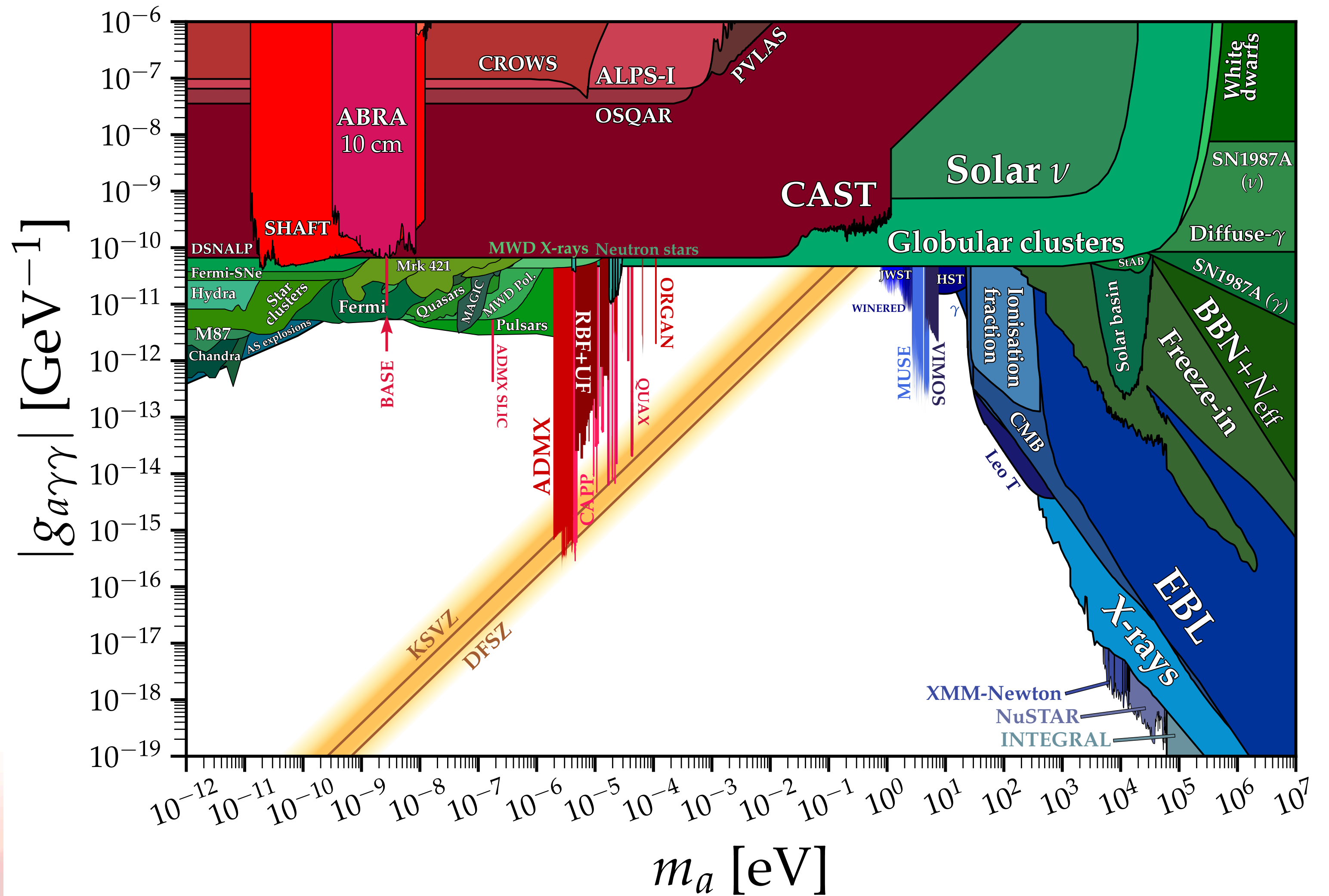
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# Axions

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{4} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_a a^2$$

$$= g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} + \frac{1}{2} m_a a^2$$

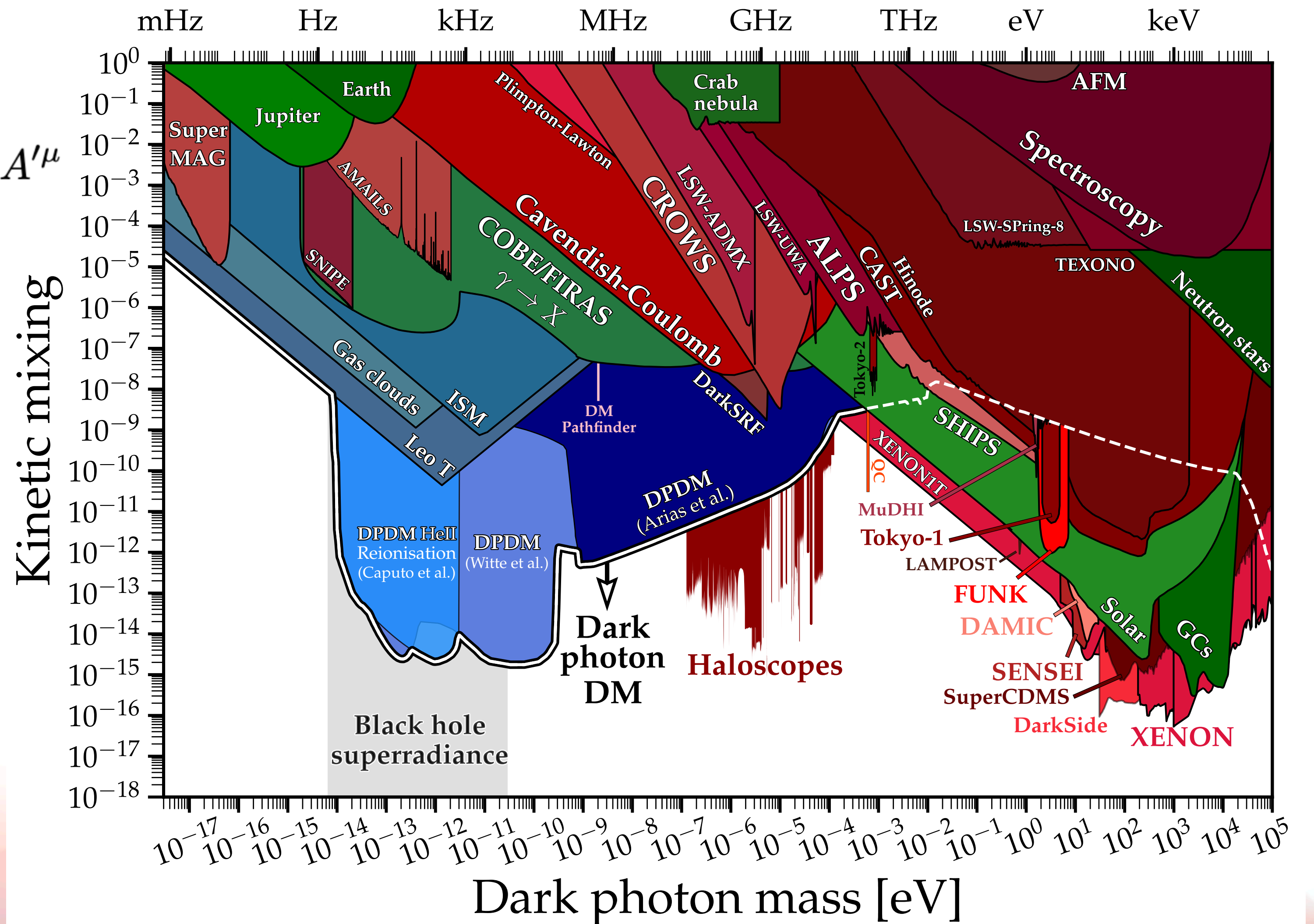
- Pseudo scalar
- Strong CP problem: QCD Axion
- Dark Matter Candidate



# Dark Photon Dark Matter (DPDM)

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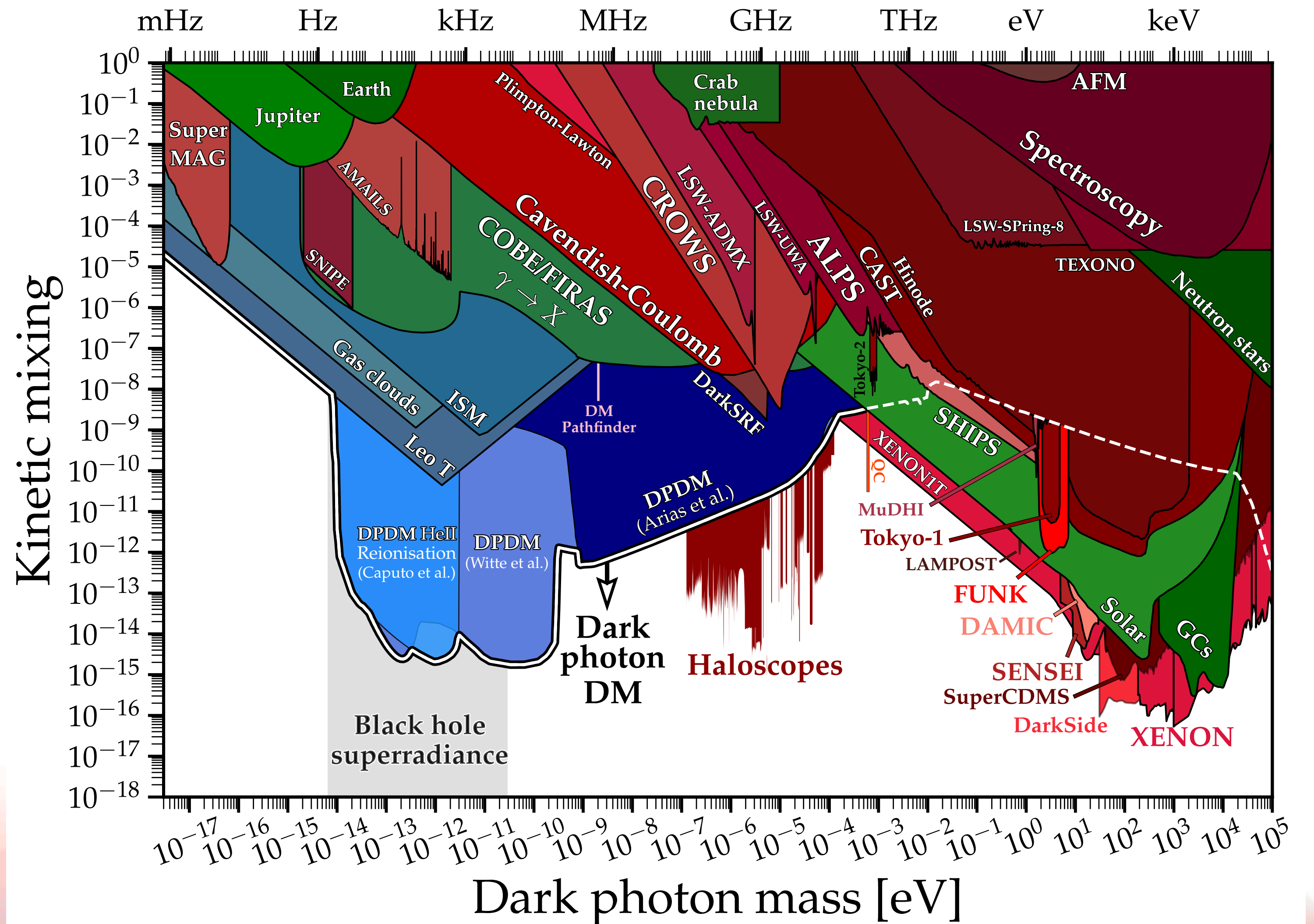
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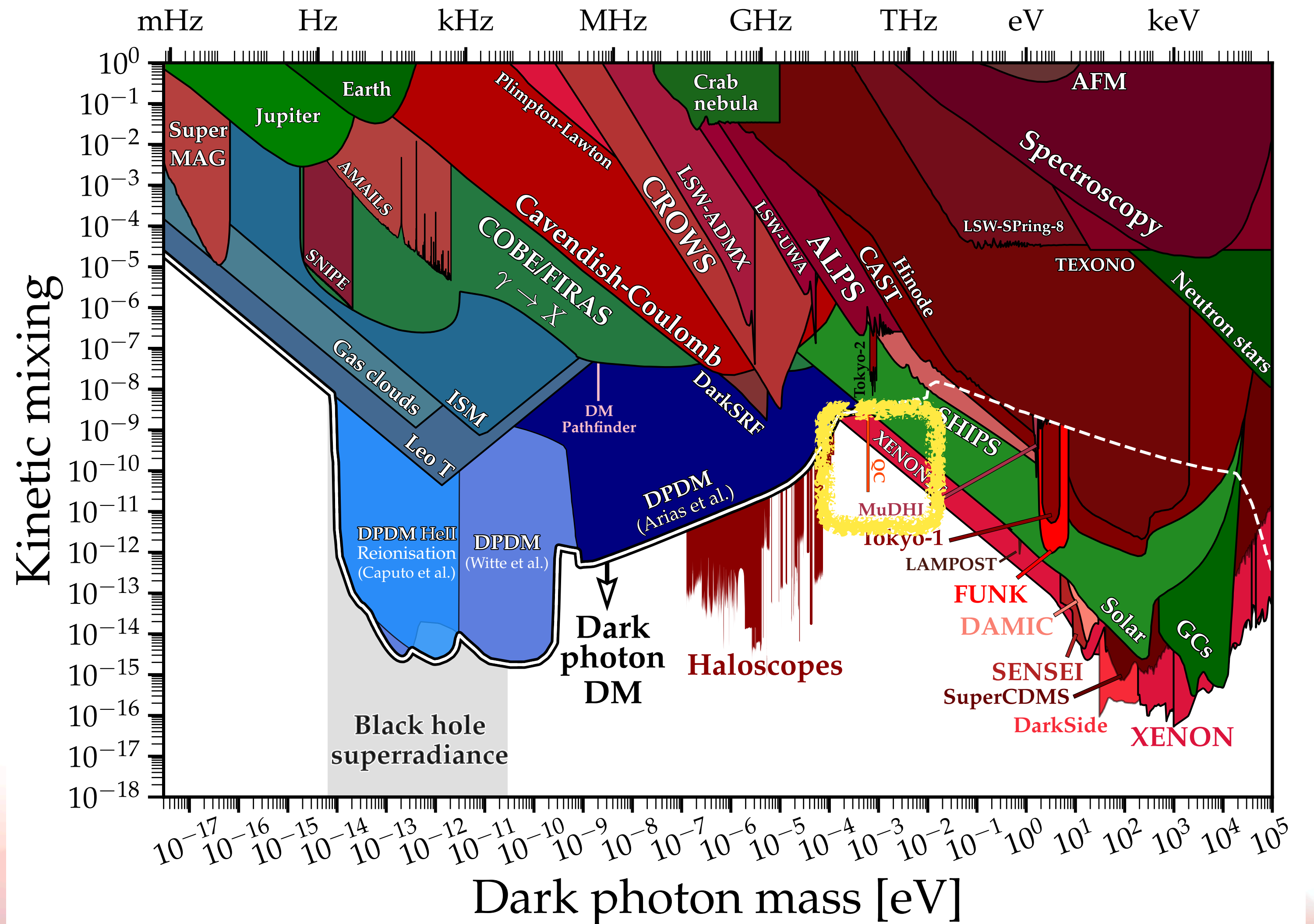
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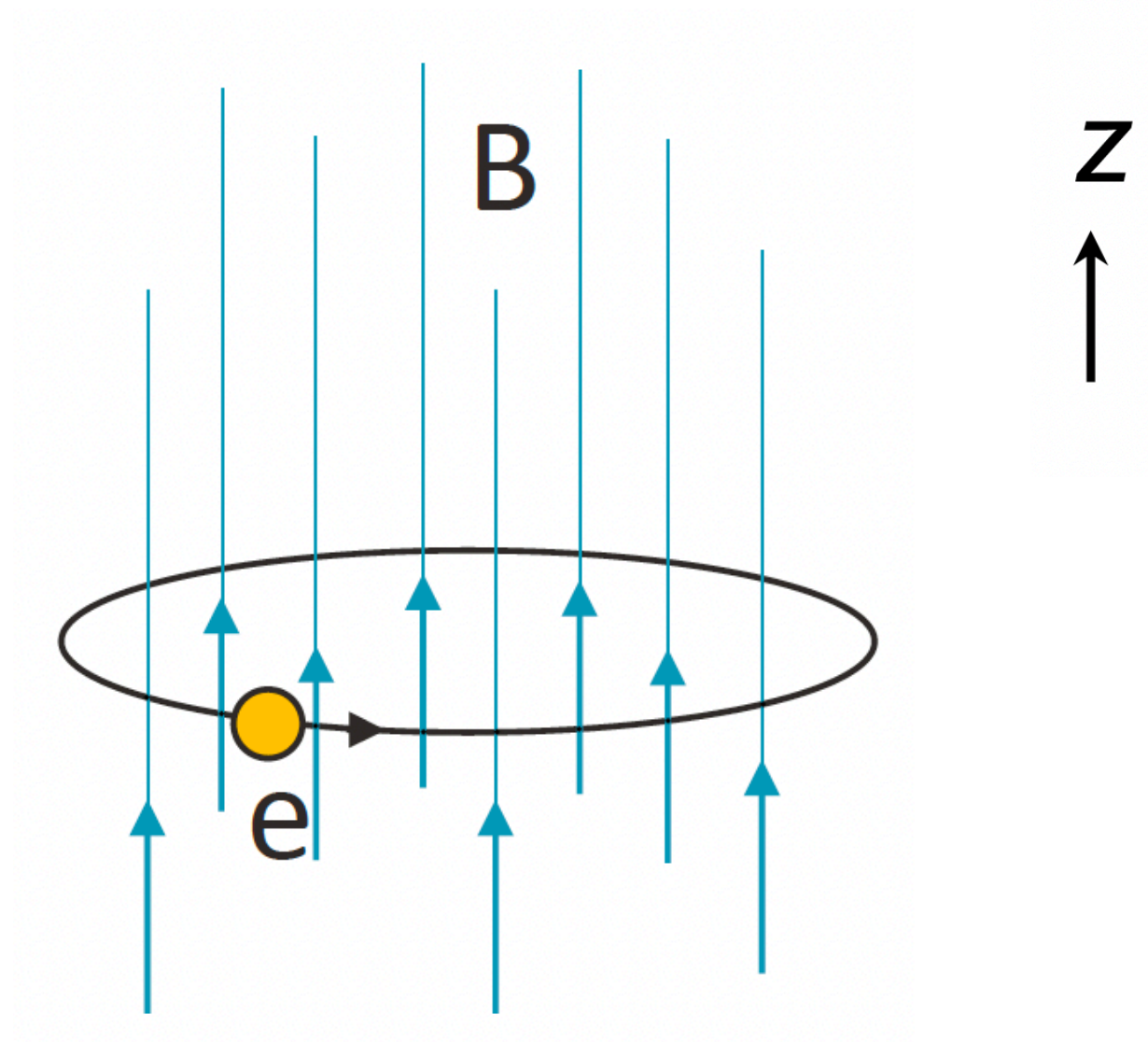
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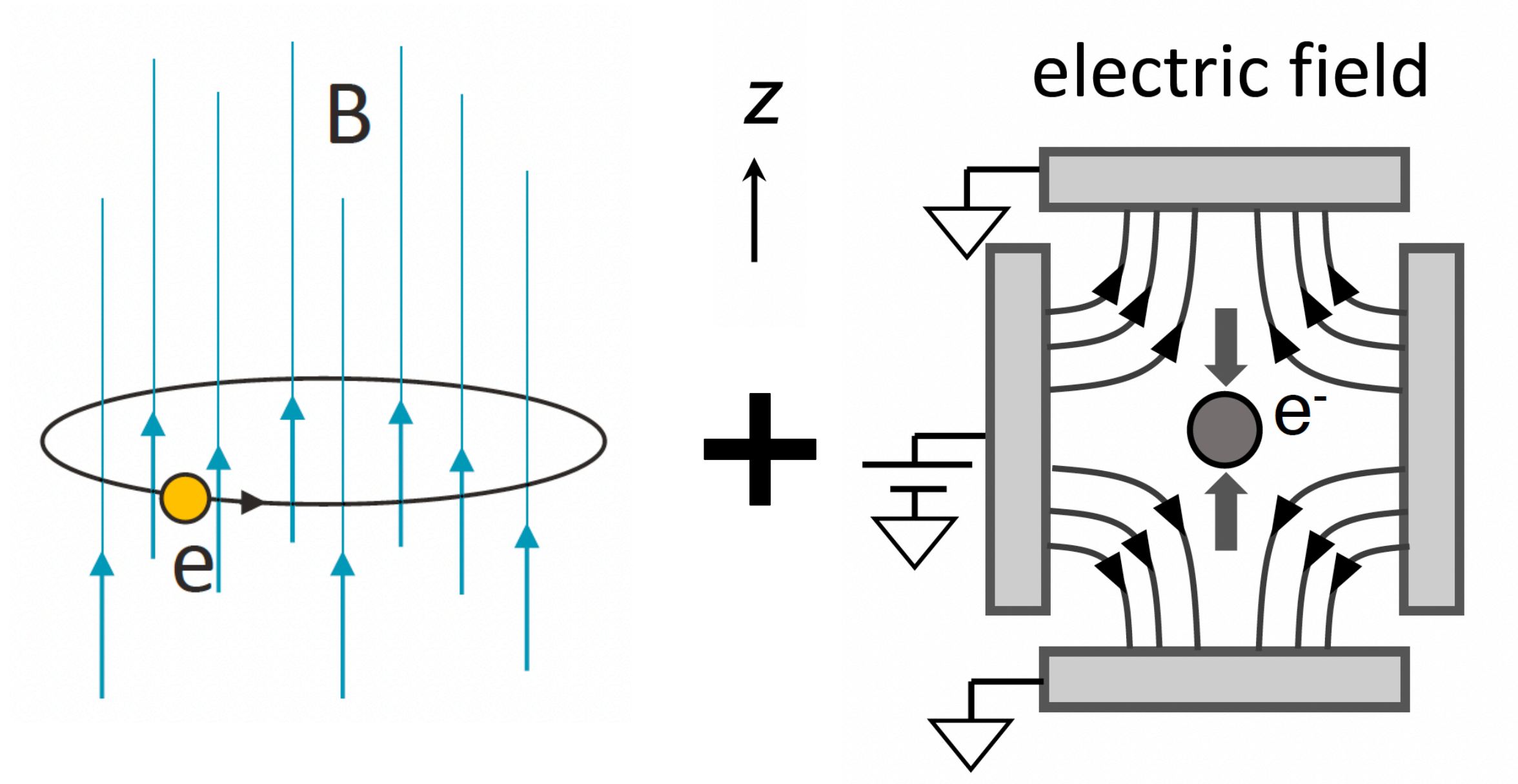




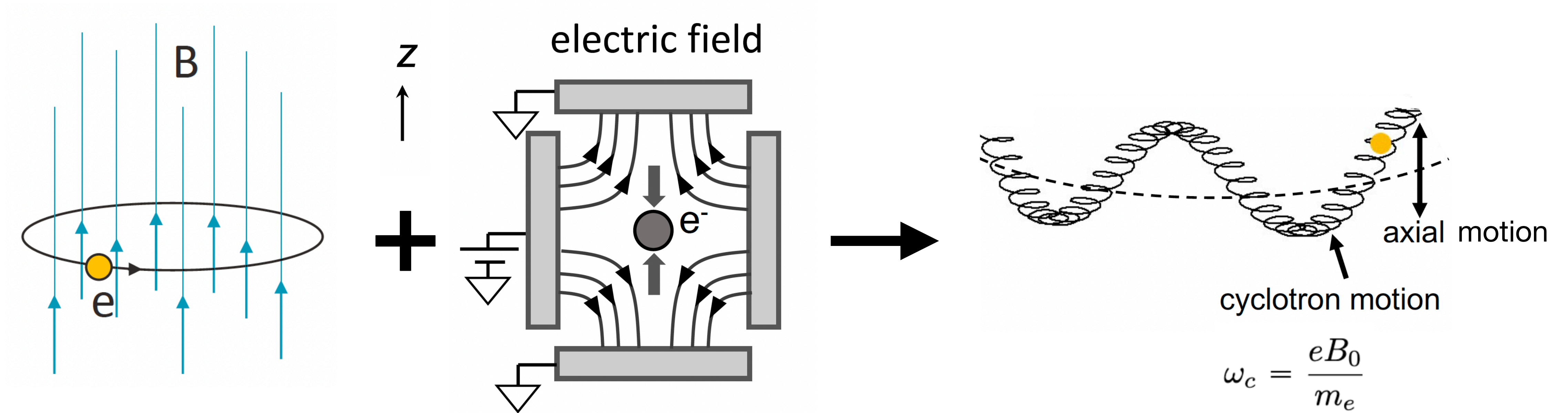
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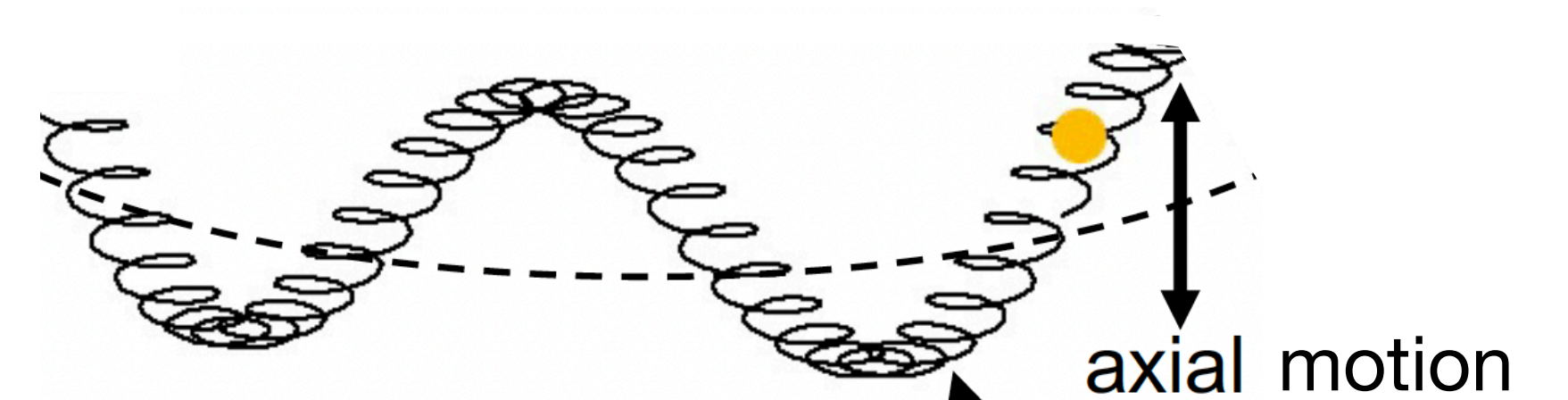
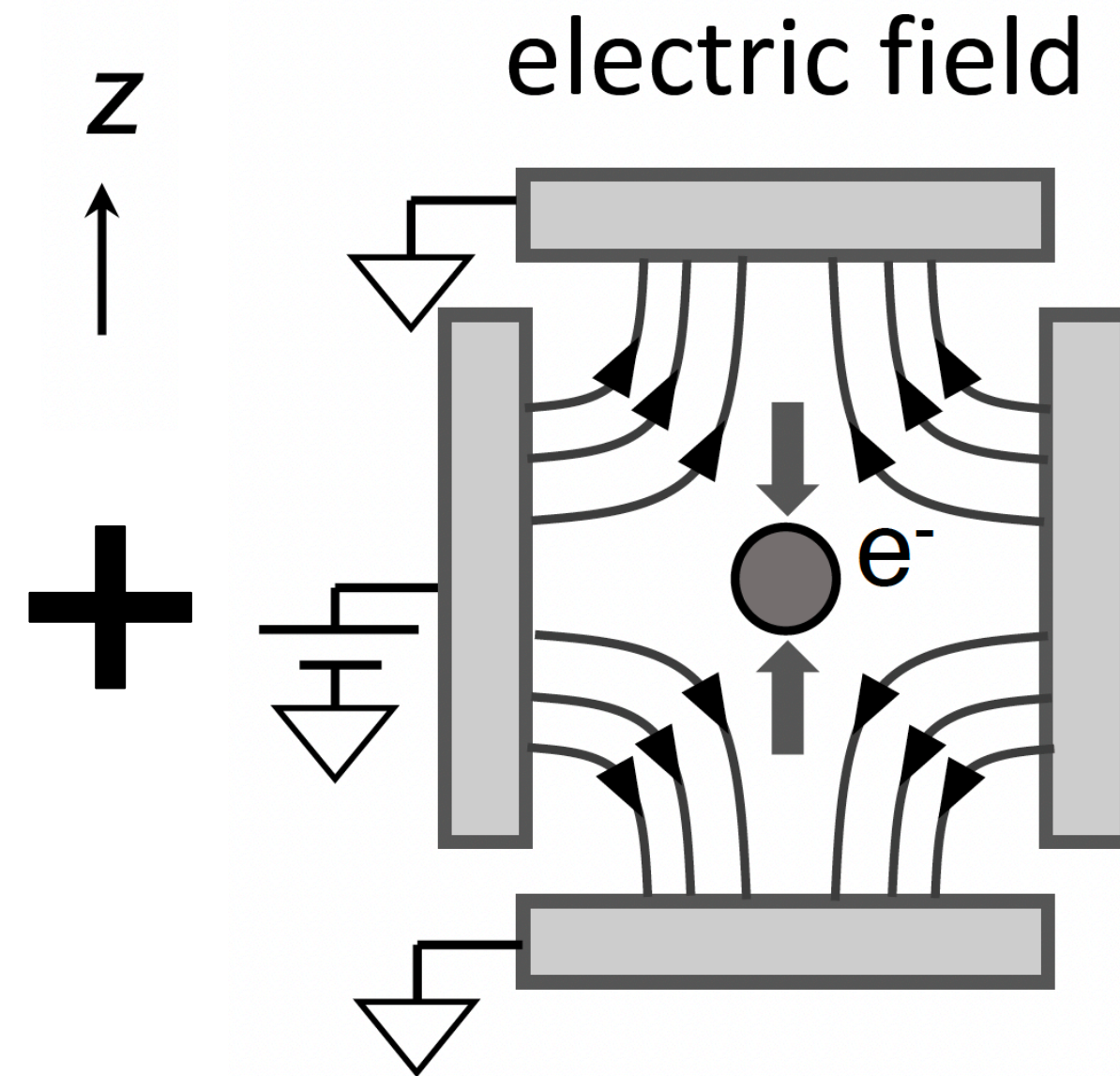
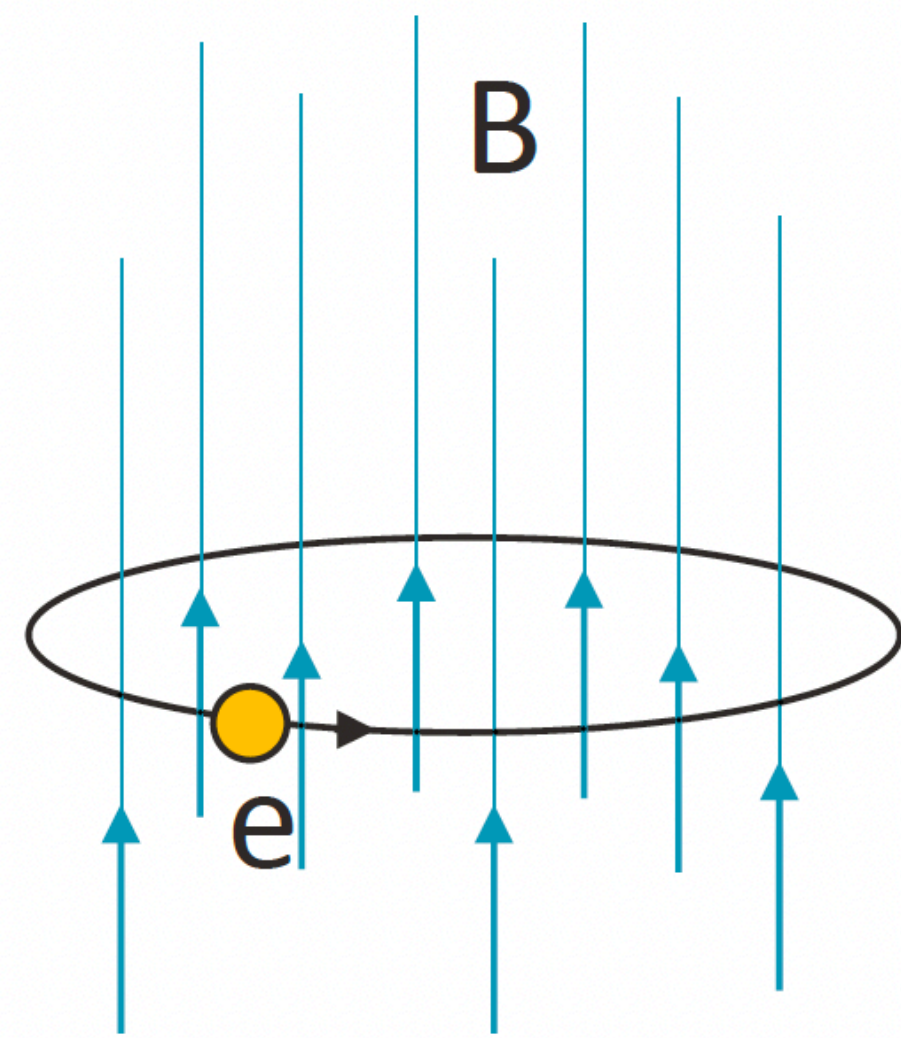
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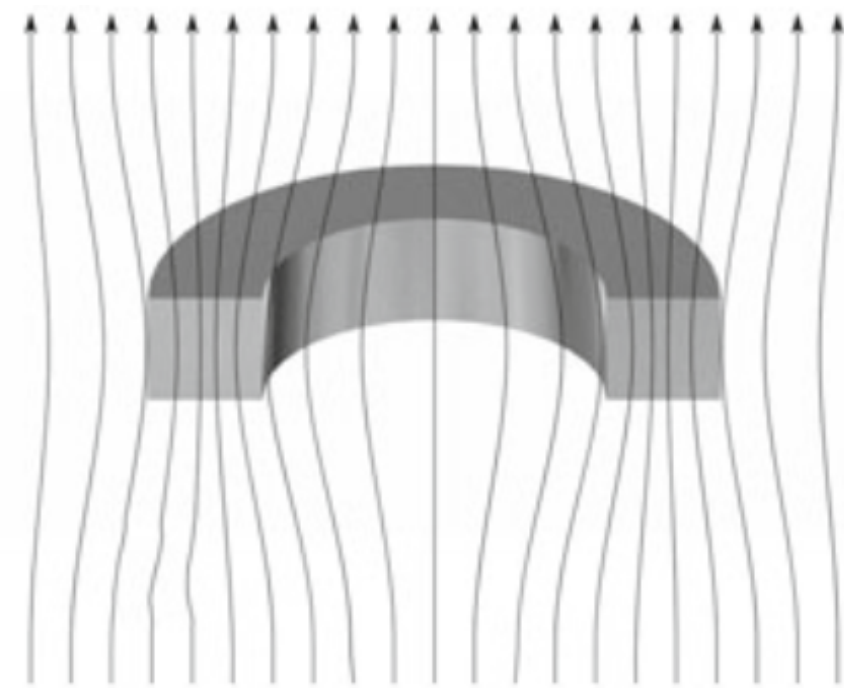


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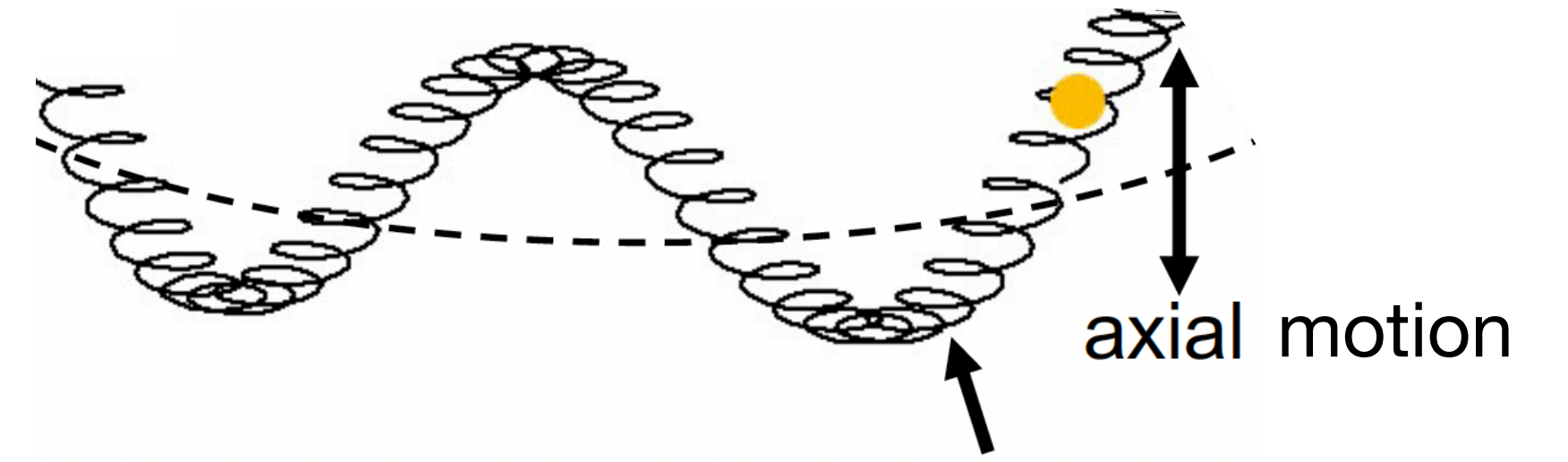
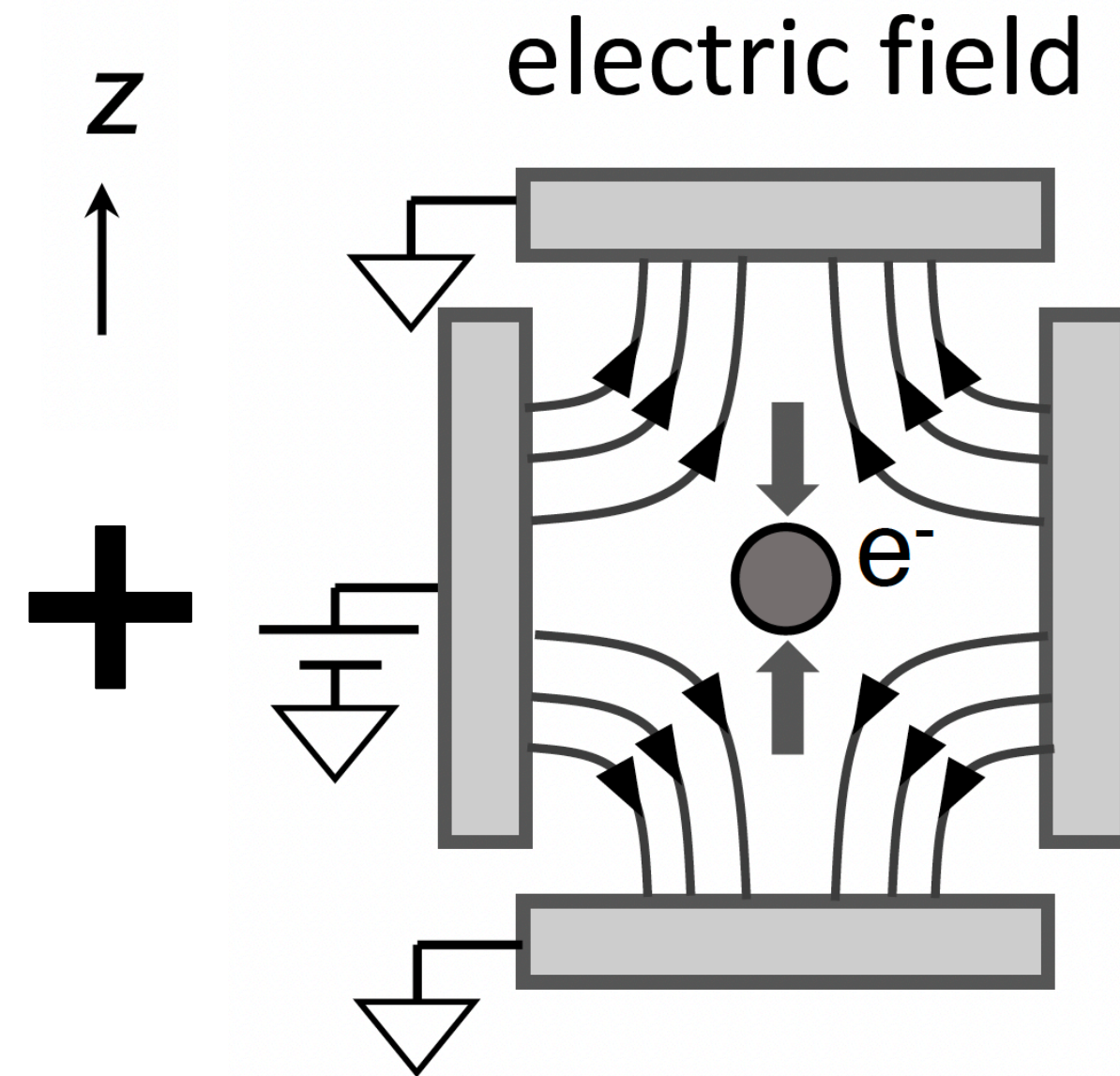
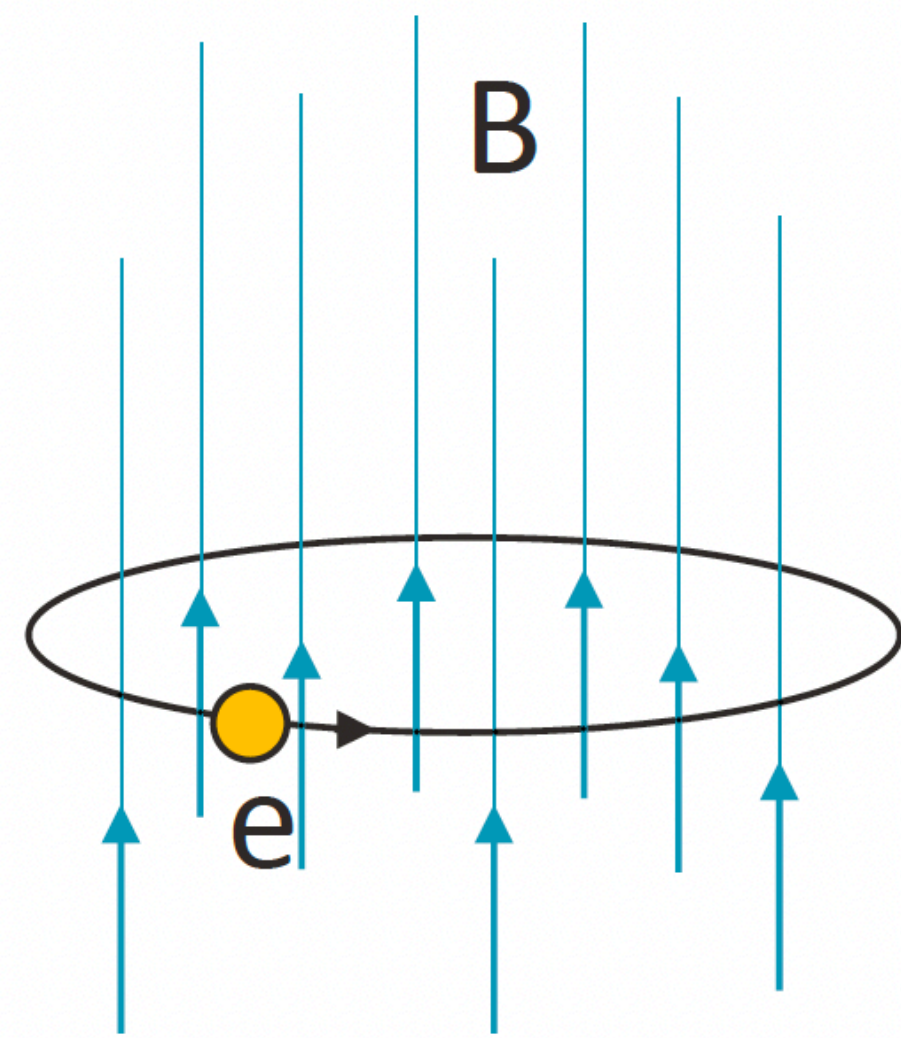
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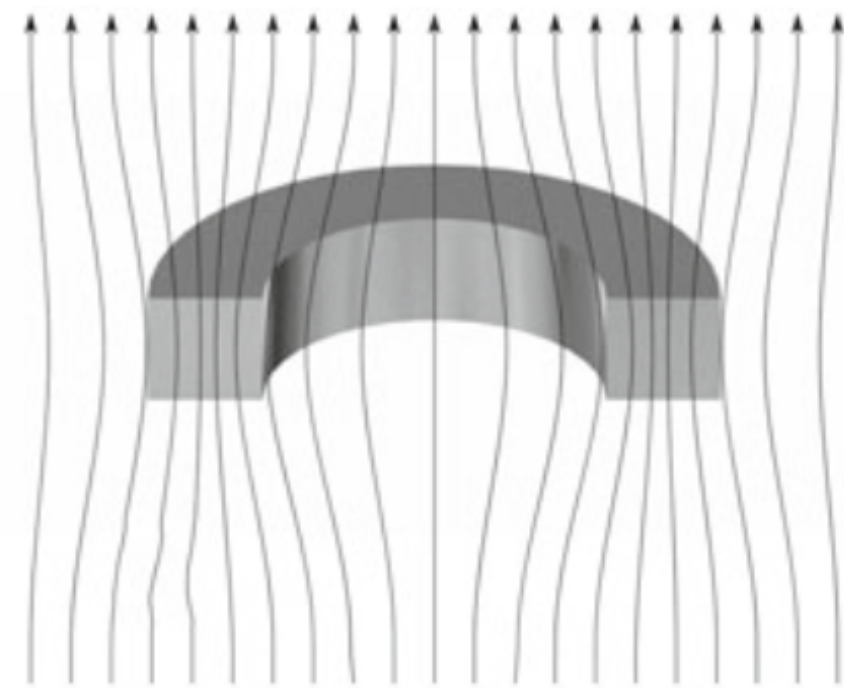
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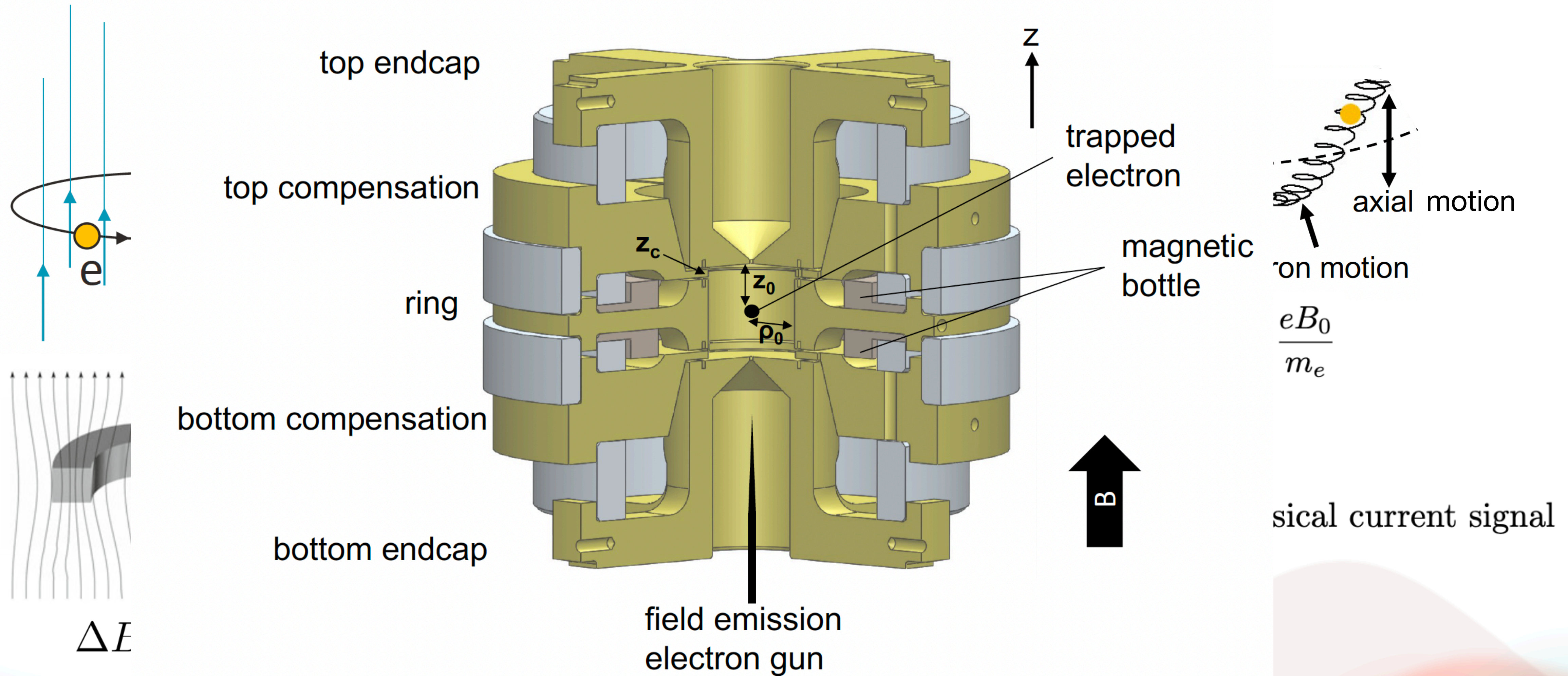
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jump in cyclotron mode  $\Rightarrow \omega_z$  shift  $\Rightarrow \dot{z} \Rightarrow$  classical current signal

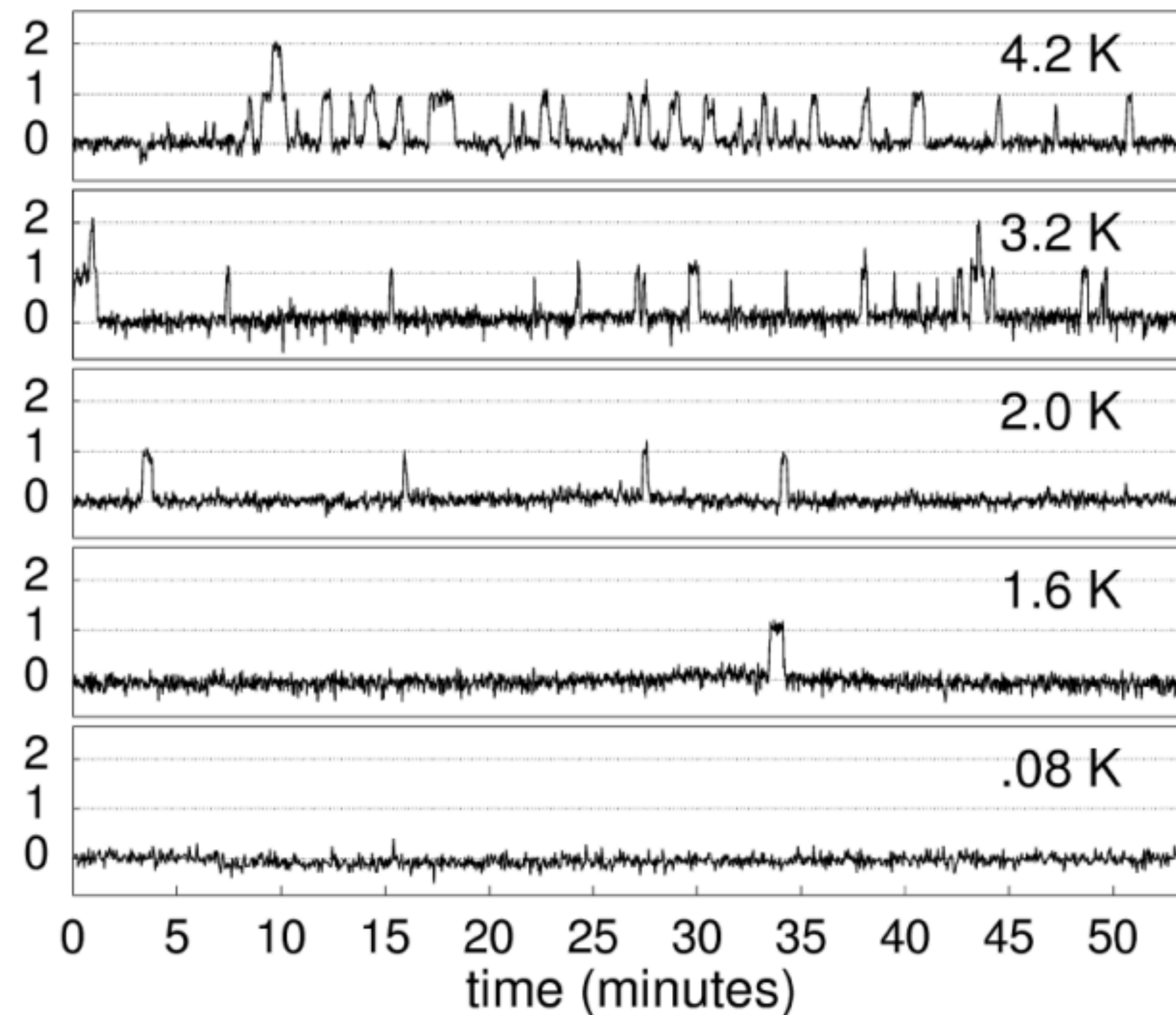


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# Background-free detection

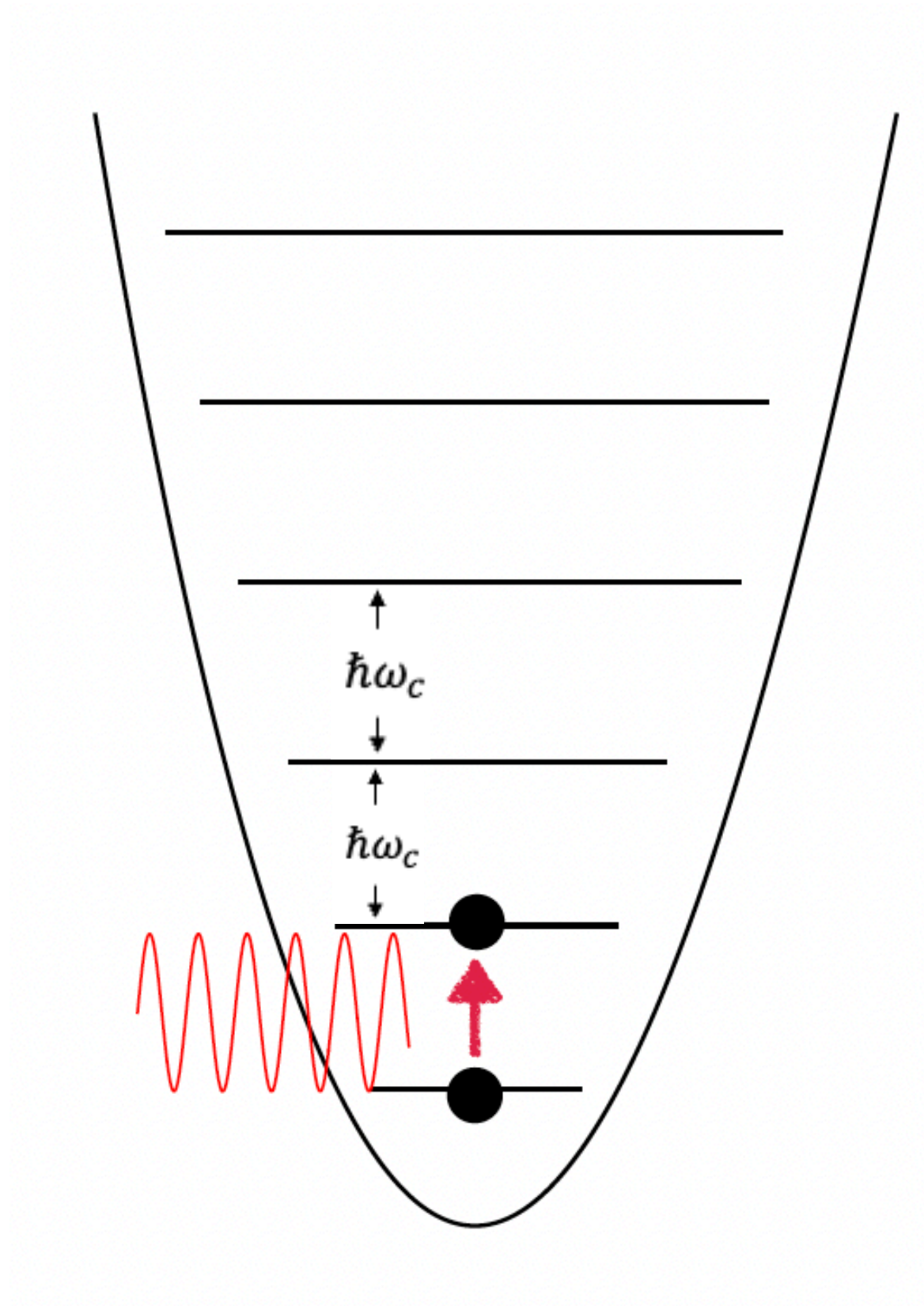


- Quantization of states
- One single jump is detectable
- Noise reduced at low T

[S. Peiland G. Gabrielse, *Phys.Rev.Lett.*83(1999)7]

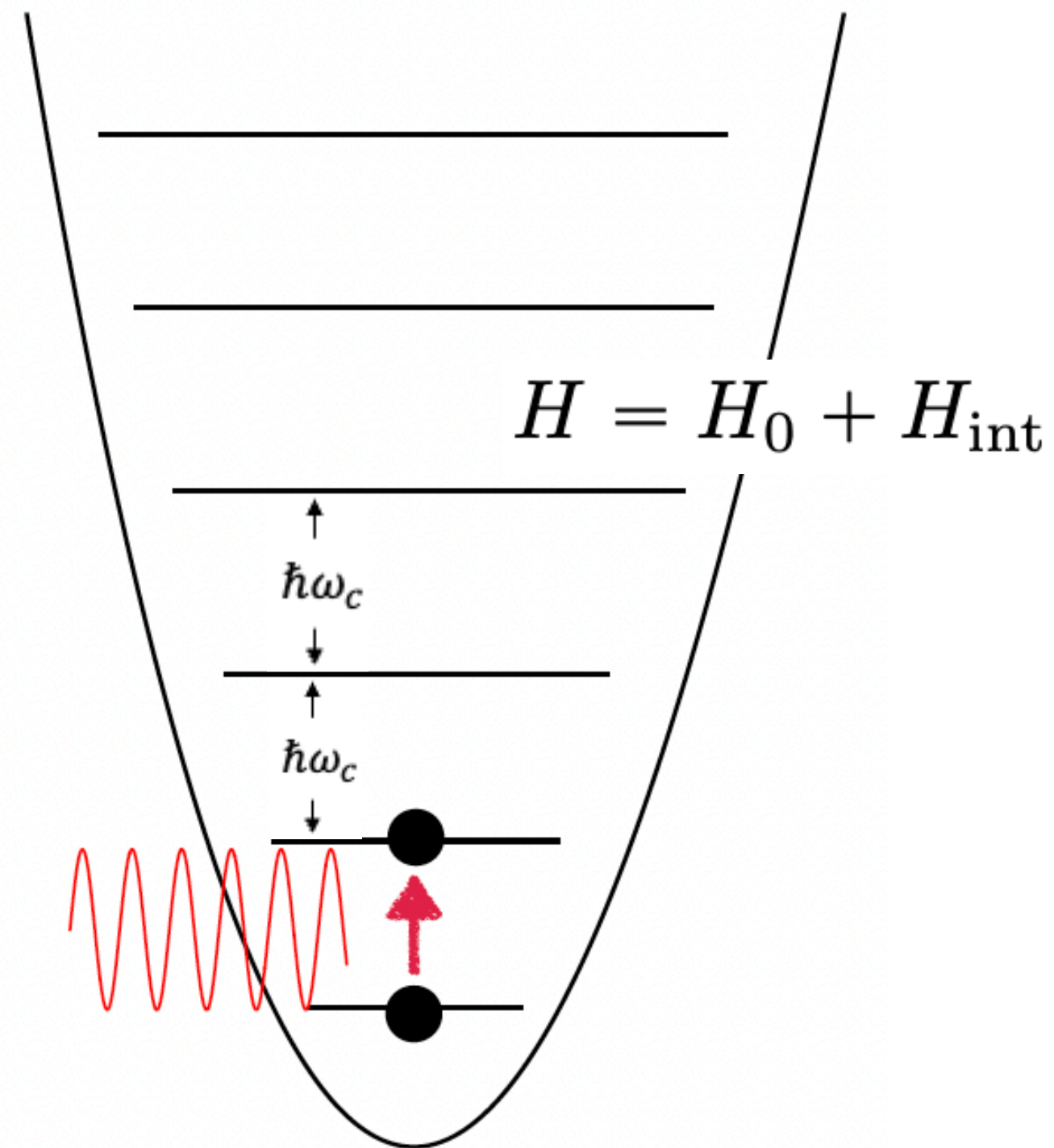
**Proof-of-principle experiment: Background-free over 7.4 days!**

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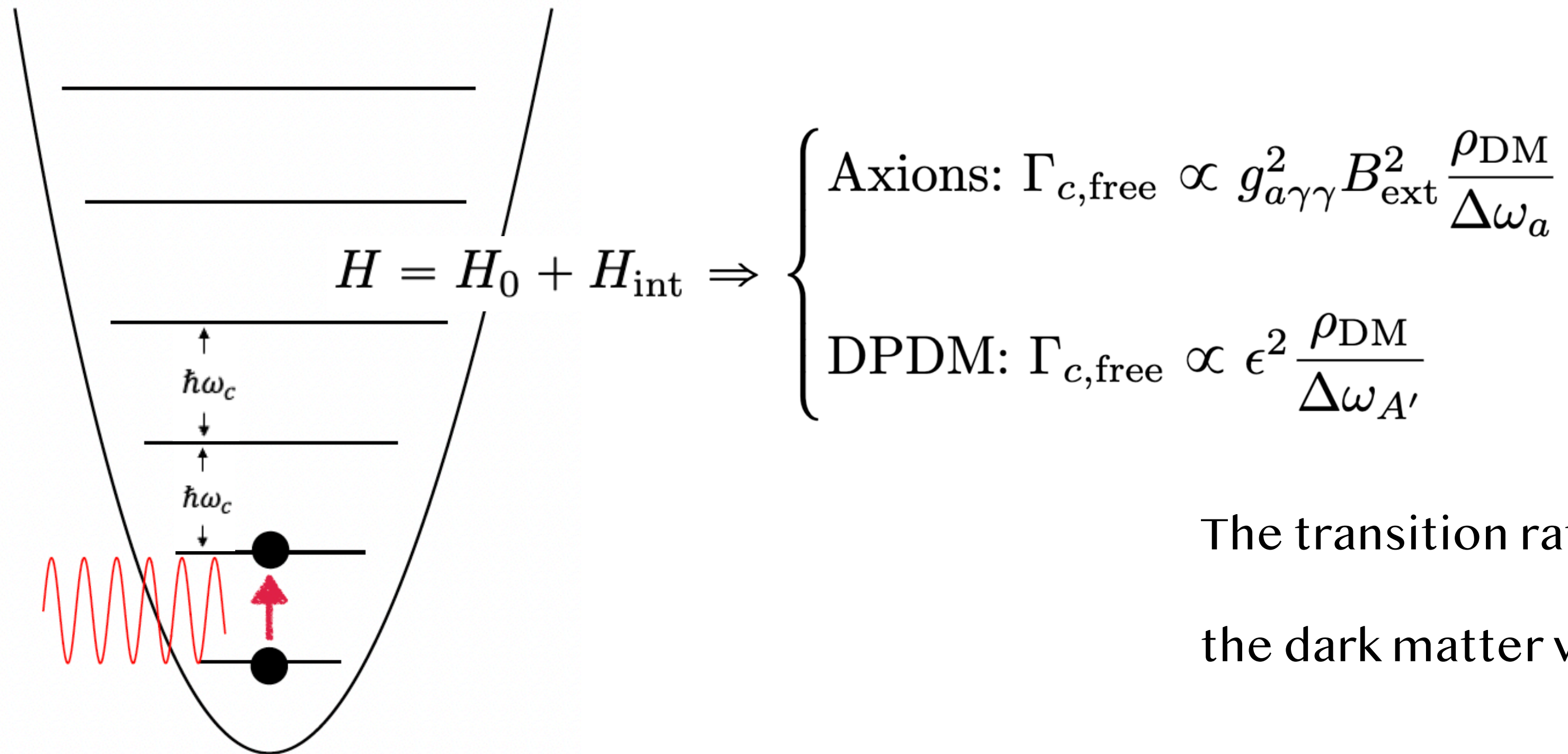


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The transition rate is enhanced by

the dark matter width  $\Delta\omega_{A'} \approx \frac{1}{2}m_{A'}v^2$

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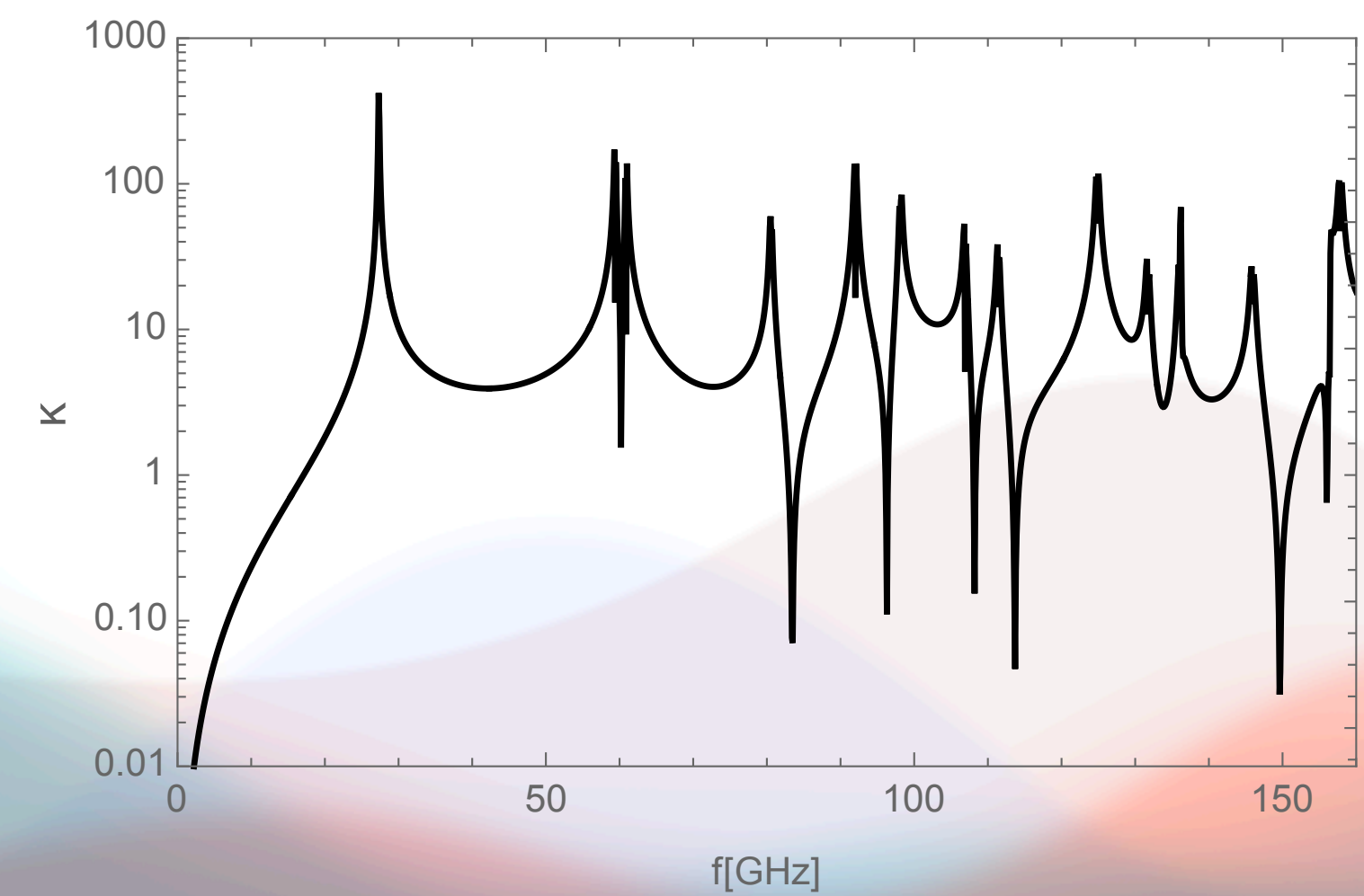
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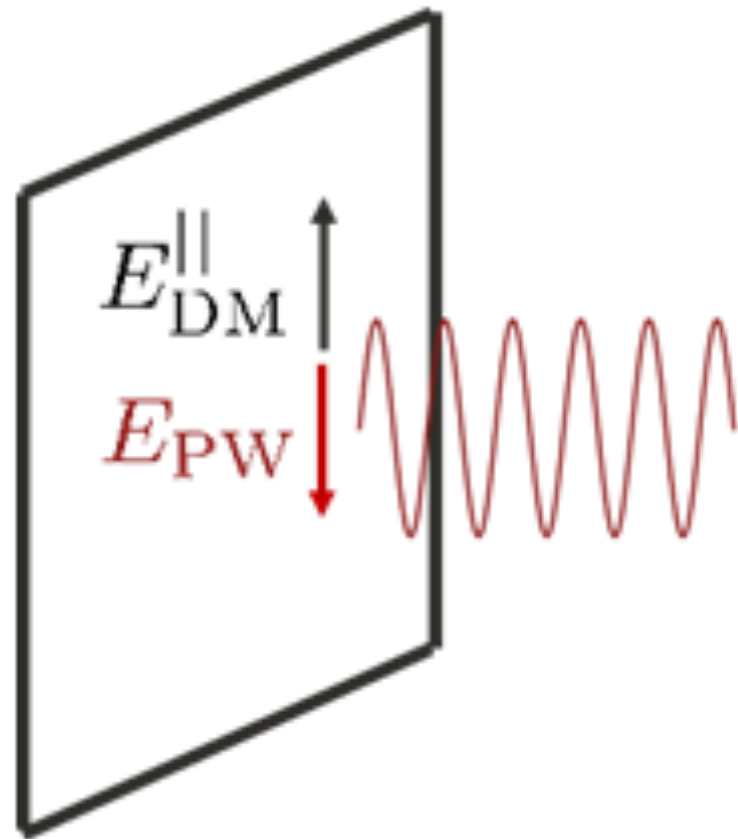
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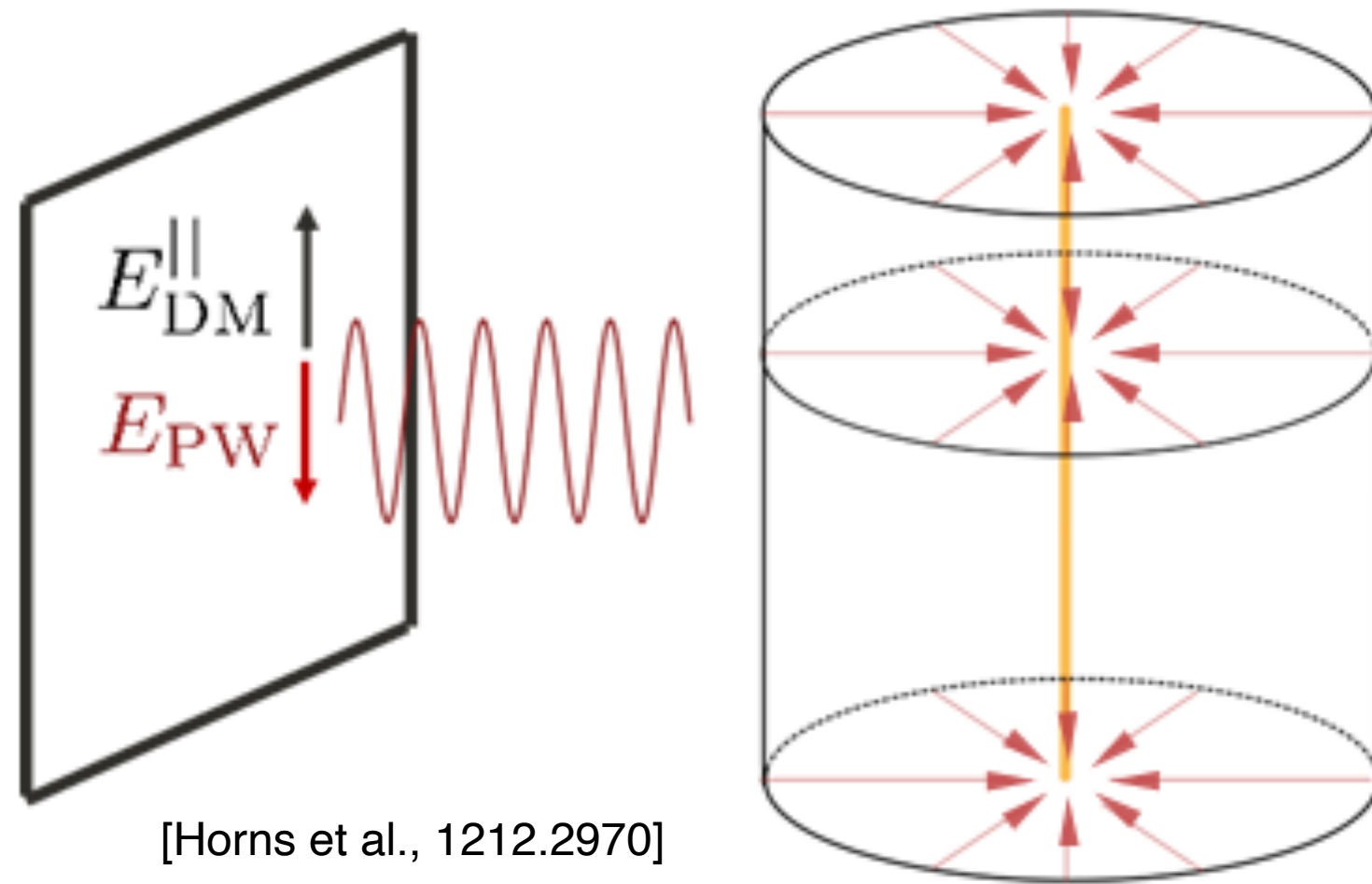
[Horns et al., 1212.2970]

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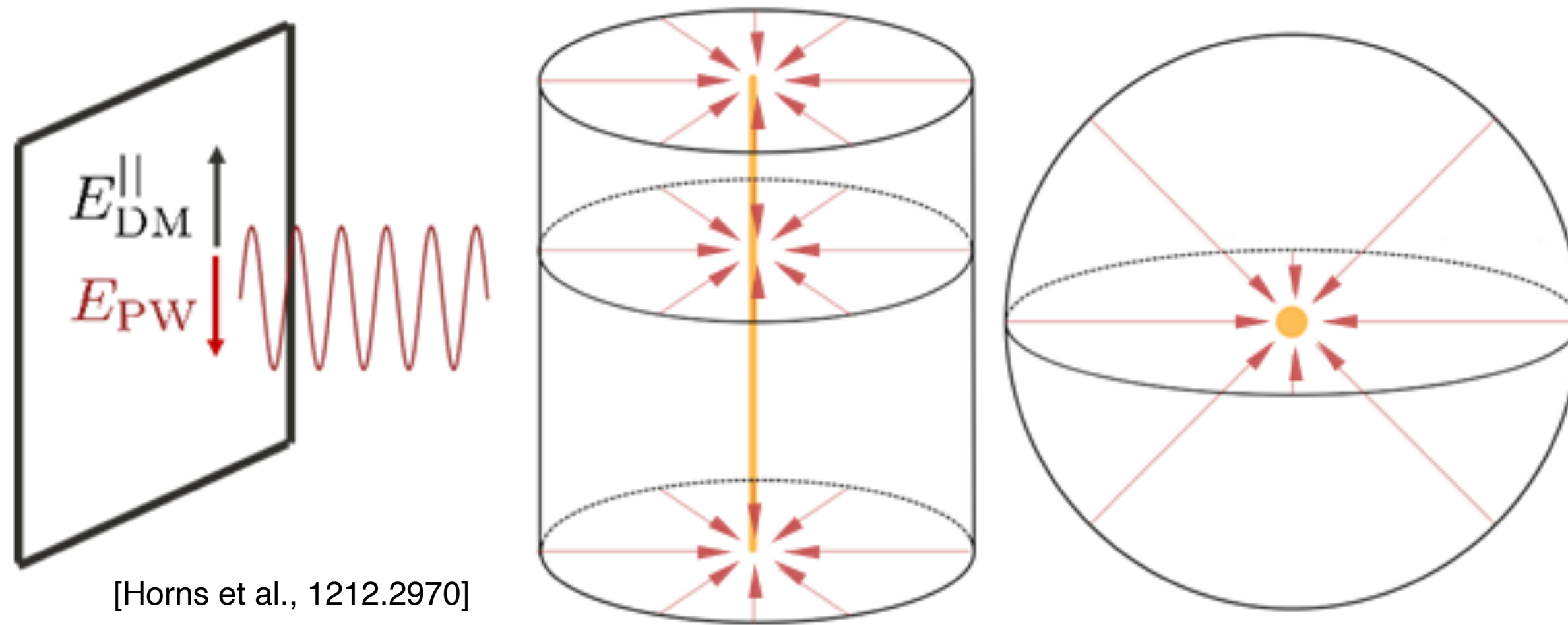
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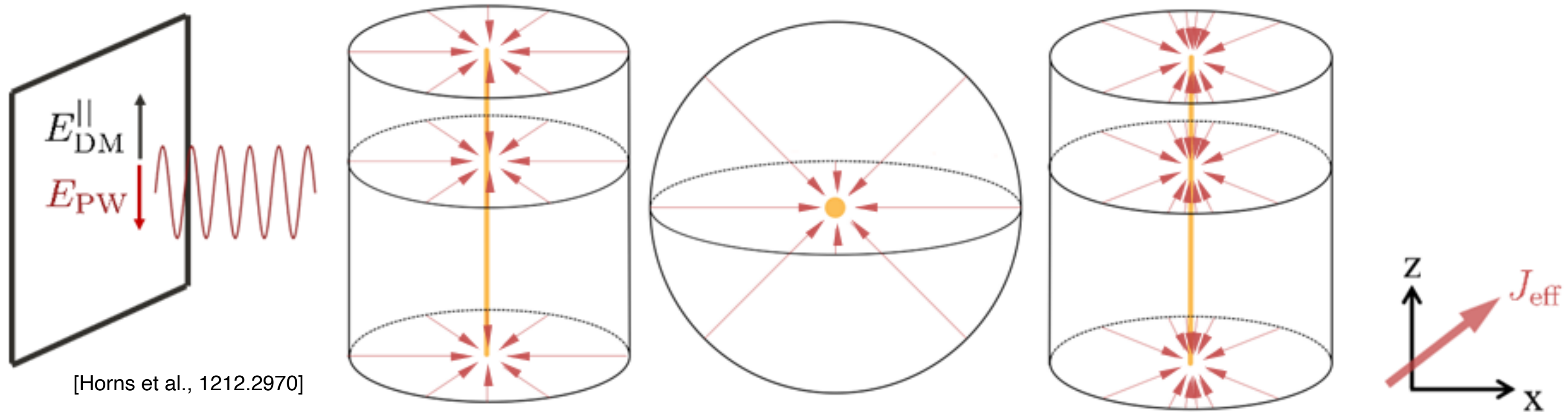
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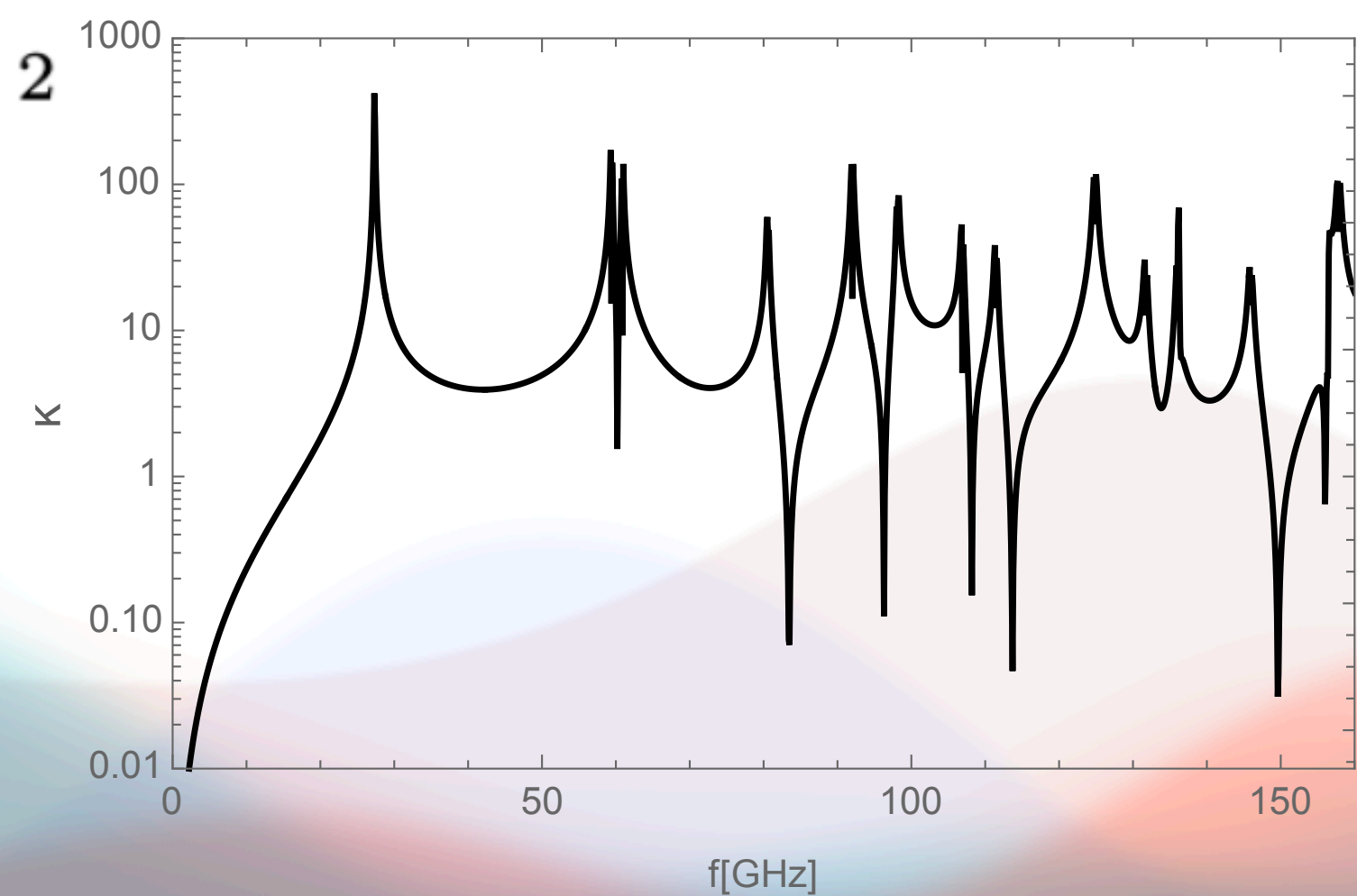


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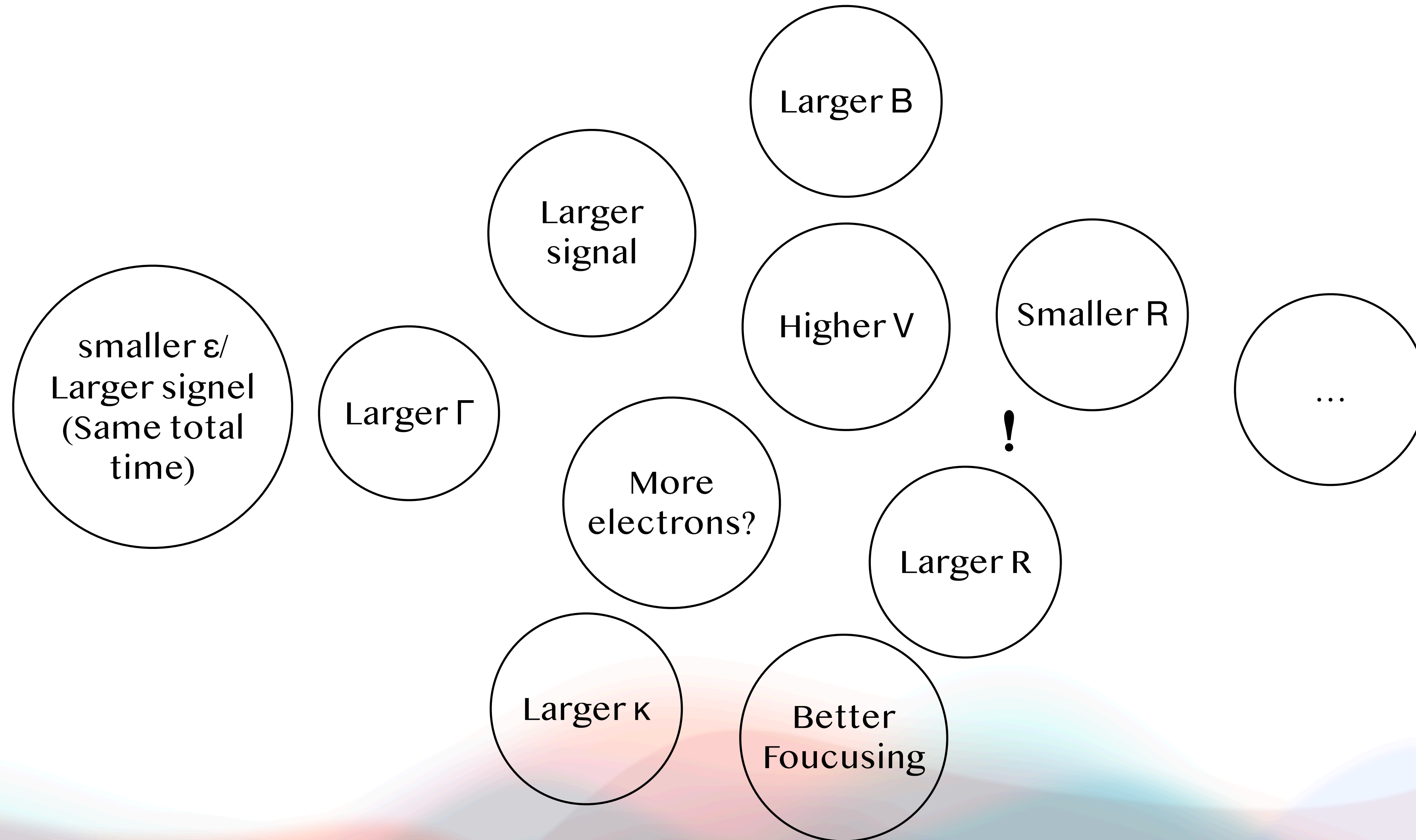
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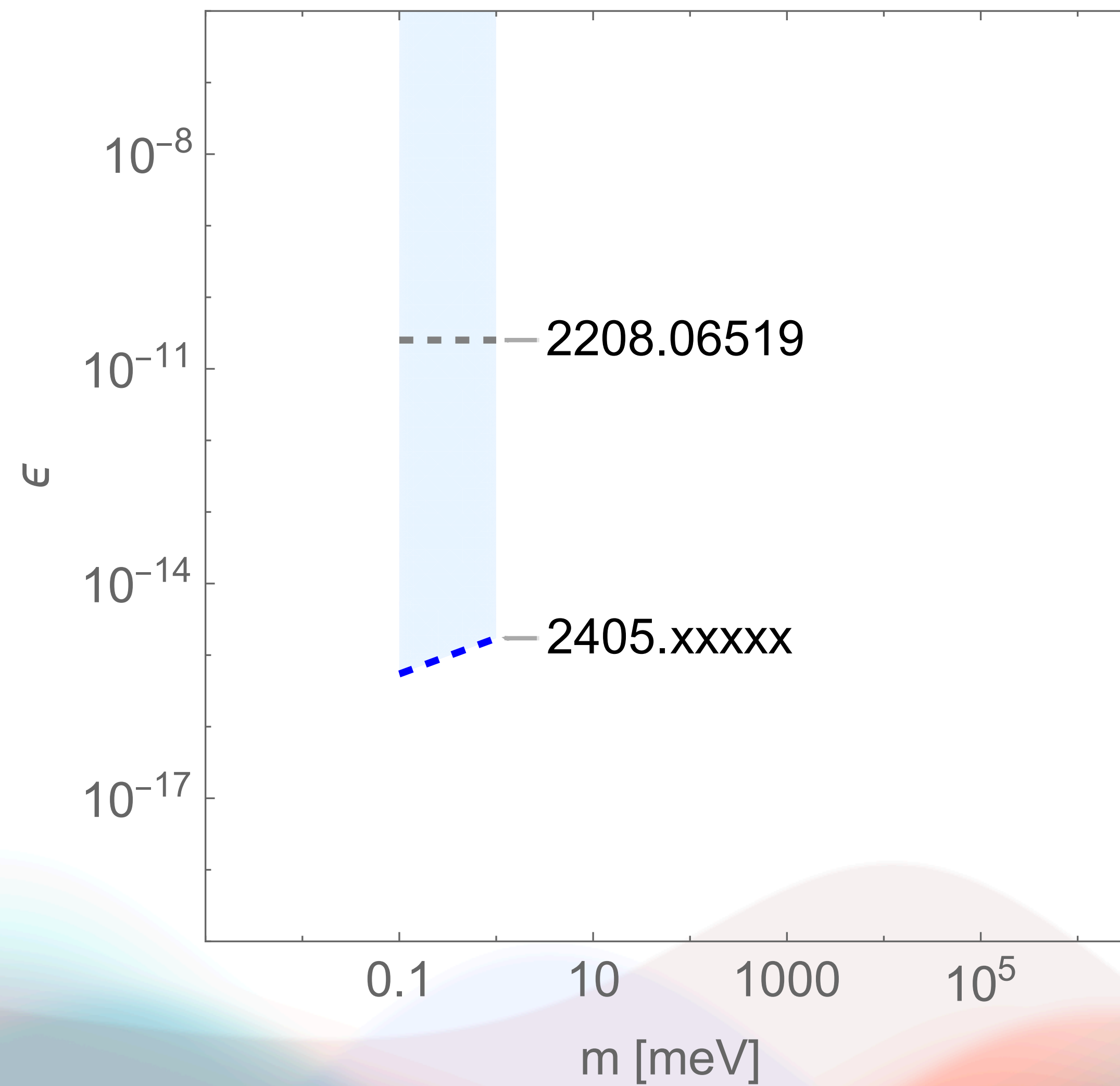
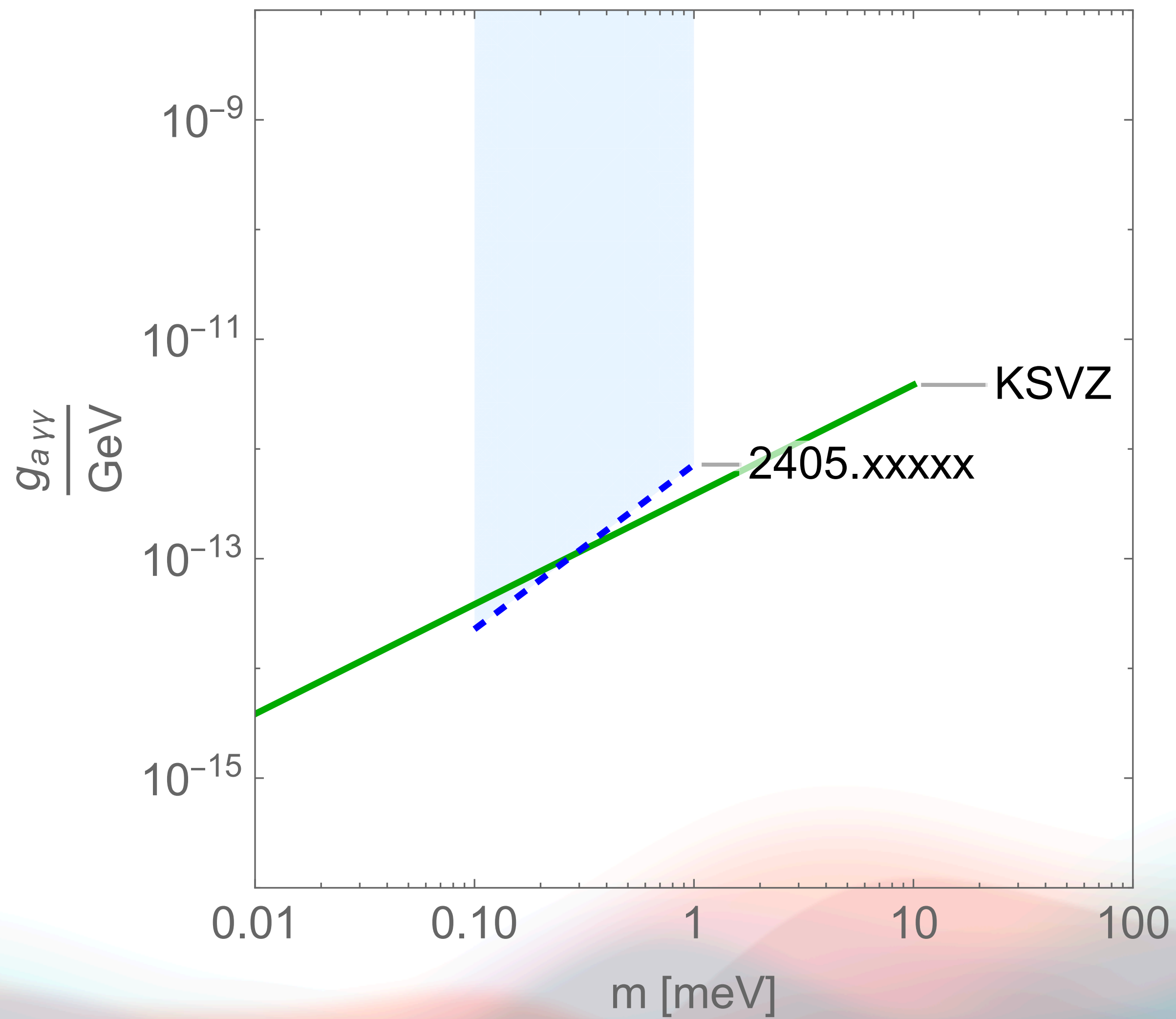




# Global Optimization



# “Preliminary”



# Conclusion

- Try to Detect meV Dark Matter
- Using Electron Trap as a Detector
- Background-free Over 7.4 Days
- Results Enhanced by Focusing
- Increase the Result by Optimizing Some Parameters

*Thank You*

*Questions?*