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LONG LIVED PARTICLES BEYOND THE SM

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Further reading and sources of unaccredited figures:

Theory/models: [arXiv:1806.07396](https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.07396) [hep-ph]

LHC Search strategies: [arXiv:1903.04497](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.04497) [hep-ex]

Beyond Colliders: [arXiv:1901.09966](https://arxiv.org/abs/1901.09966) [hep-ex]

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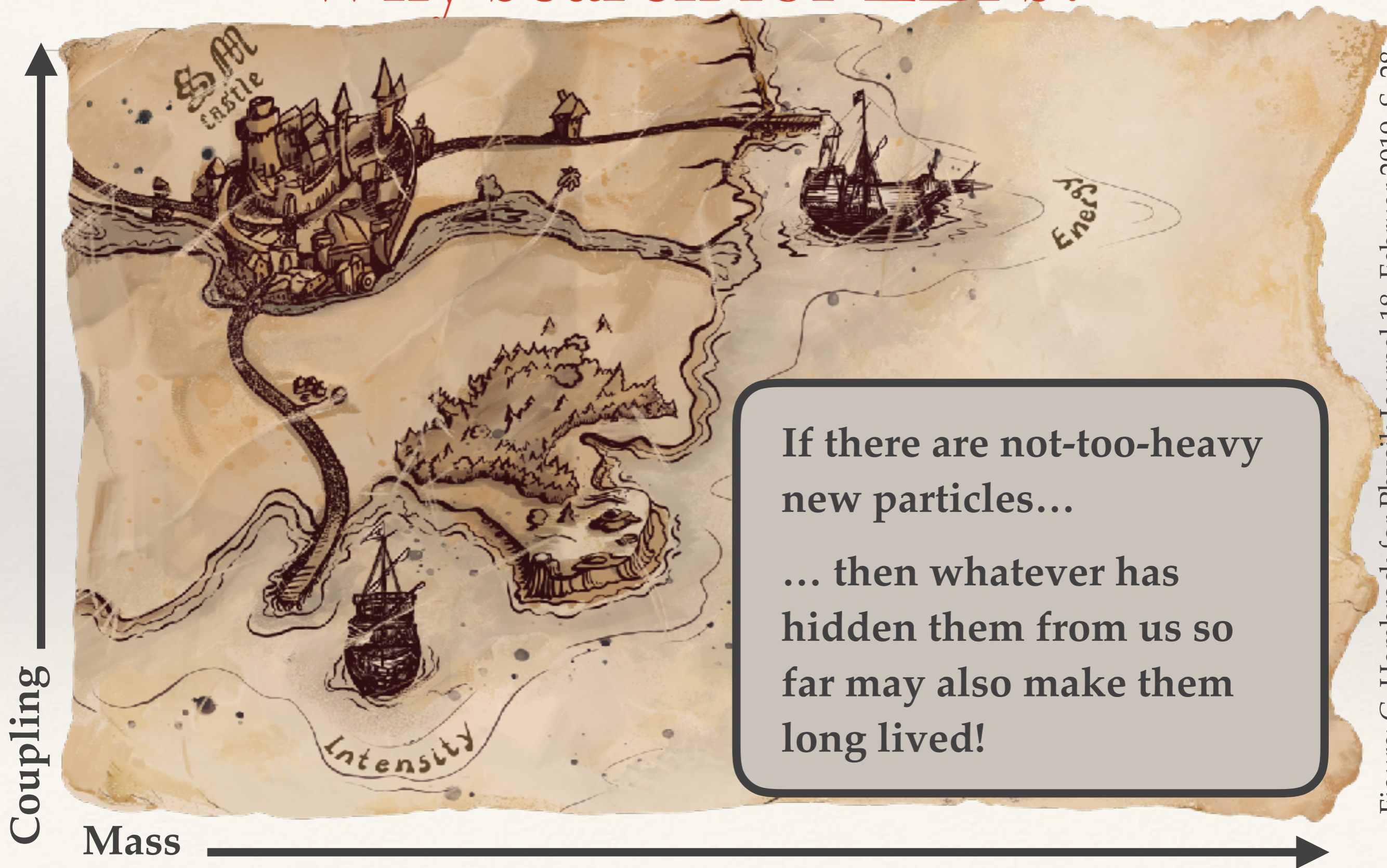
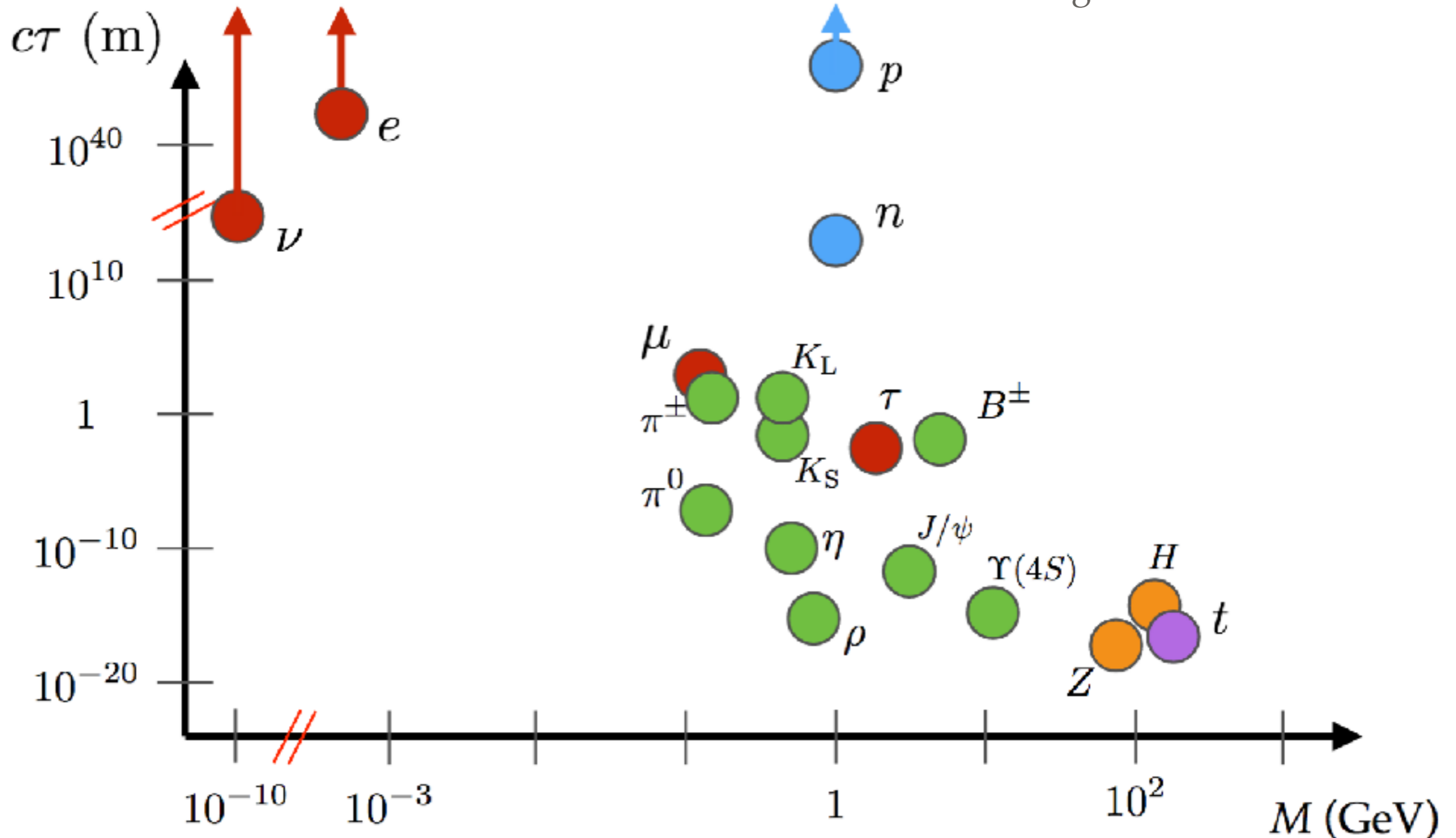


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Longevity in the Standard Model

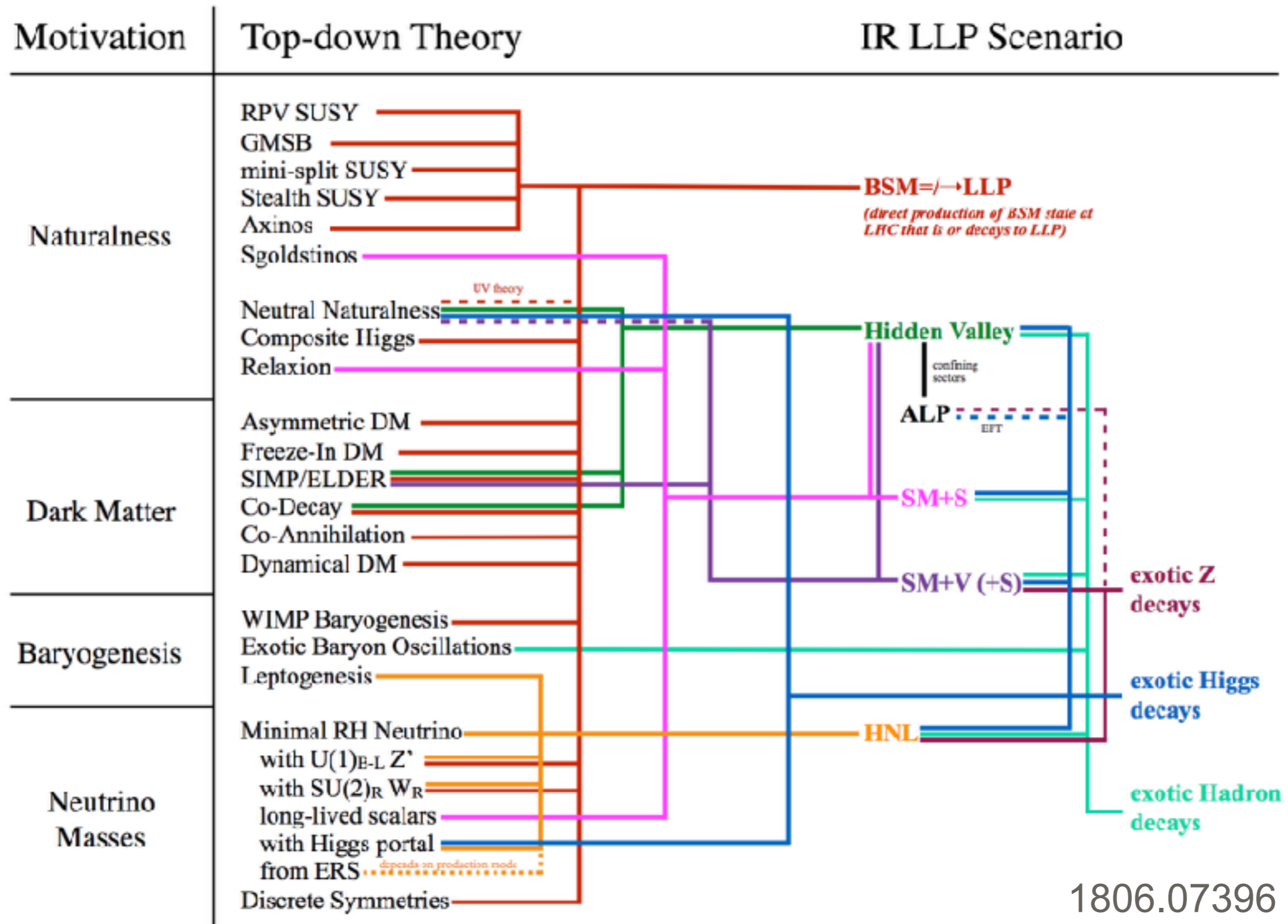
figure from Brian Shuve



Keys to Longevity

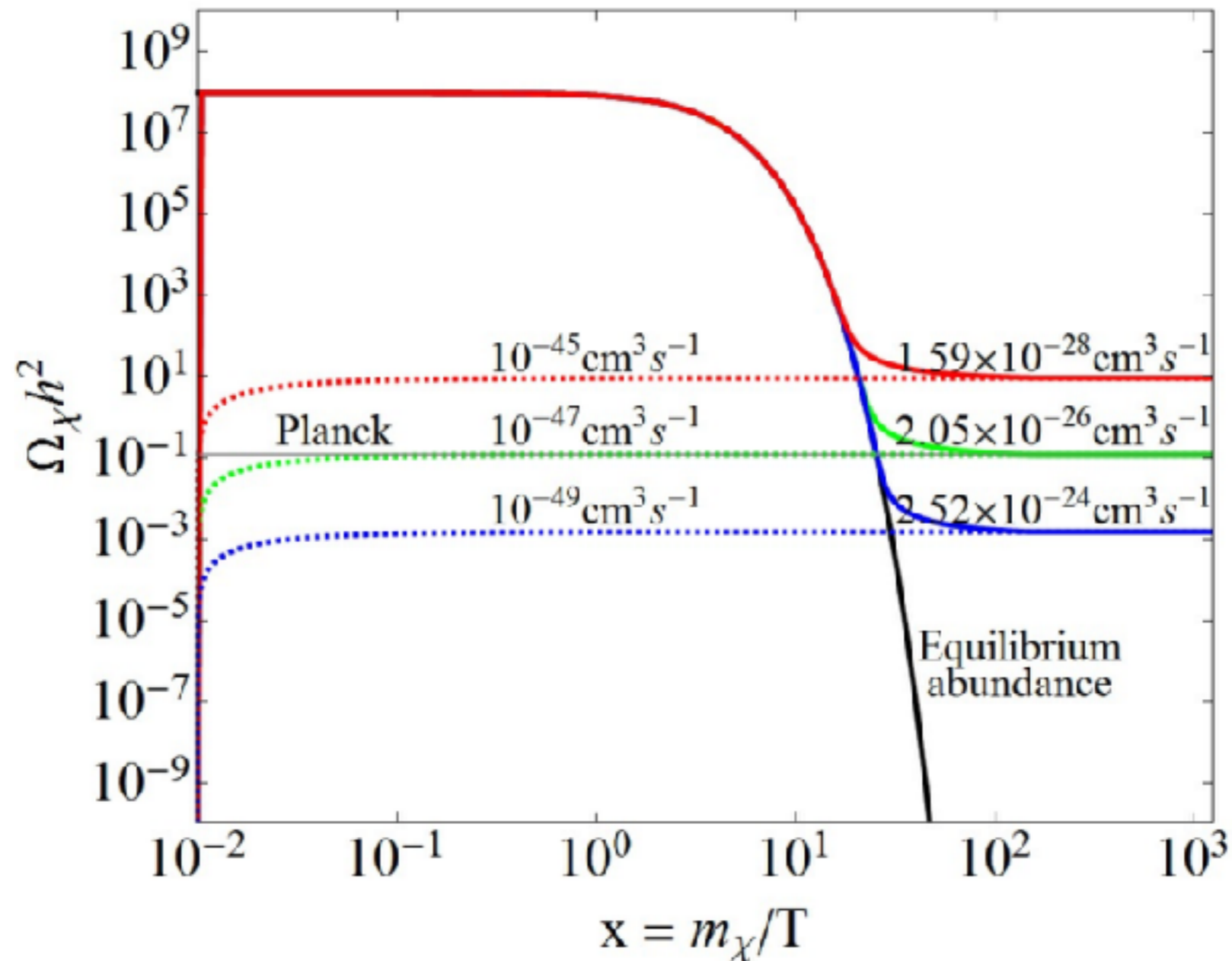
	SM example	reason	BSM examples
heavy mediator	muon	W mass	hidden valley
mass spectrum	neutron	isospin	FIMP DM
small mixing	B hadrons	CKM suppression	dark photon
small coupling constant			heavy neutrino

Theory Motivations



Dark Matter Connection

Example: FIMP Dark Matter recent review: [arXiv:1706.07442](https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.07442)

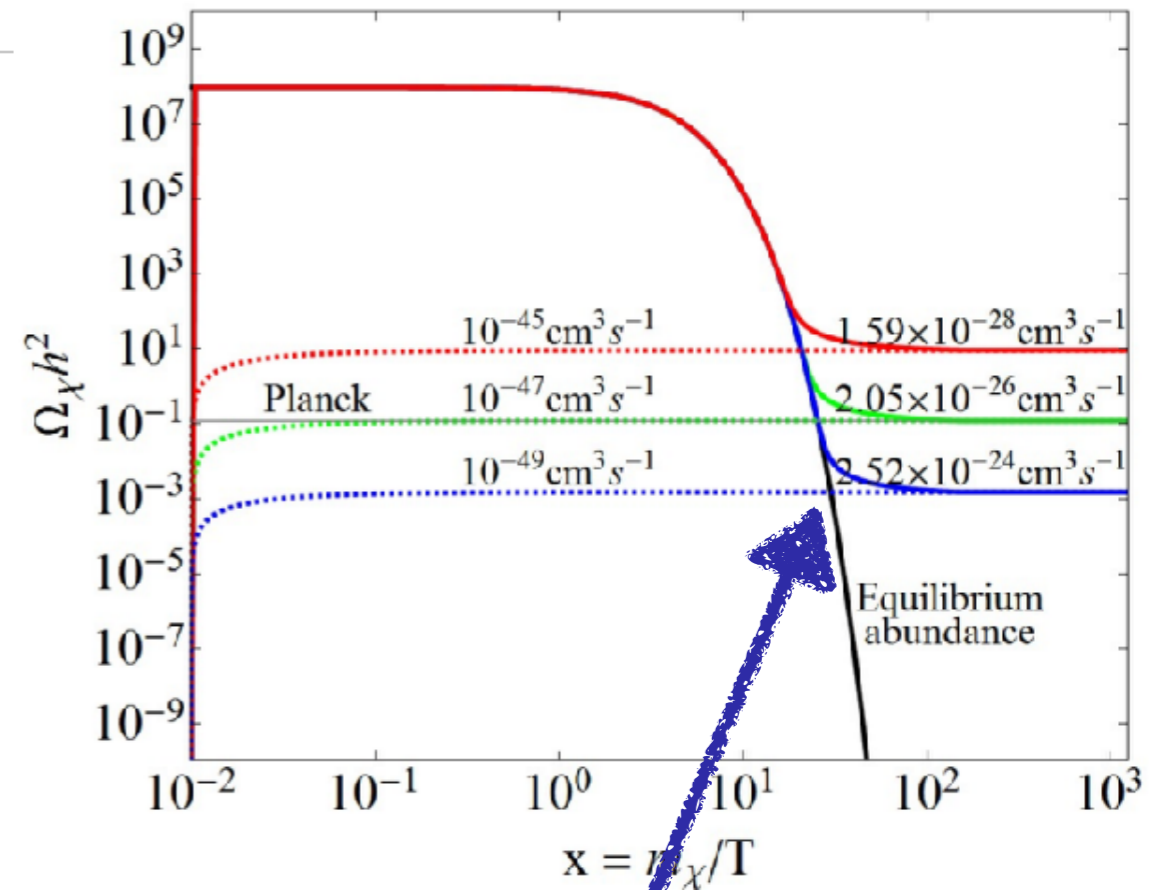


“Freeze in” vs “freeze out” figure from Dev et al [1311.5297](https://arxiv.org/abs/1311.5297)

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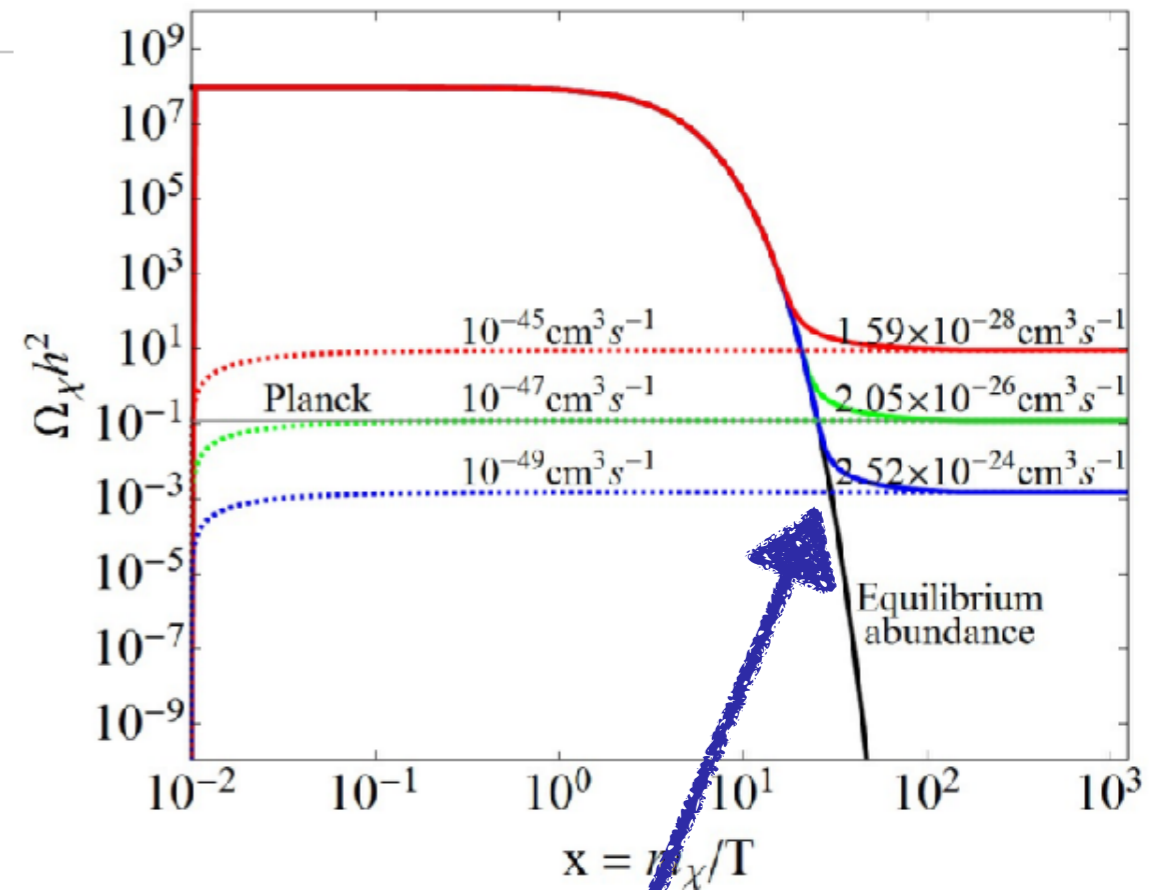
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Example: Higgs Portal Dark Matter

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{m_S}{2}\bar{\chi}_S\chi_S - \frac{m_T}{2}\bar{\chi}_T\chi_T + \frac{\kappa}{\Lambda} \left[(H^\dagger \bar{\chi}_T H)\chi_S + \bar{\chi}_S (H^\dagger \chi_T H) \right]$$

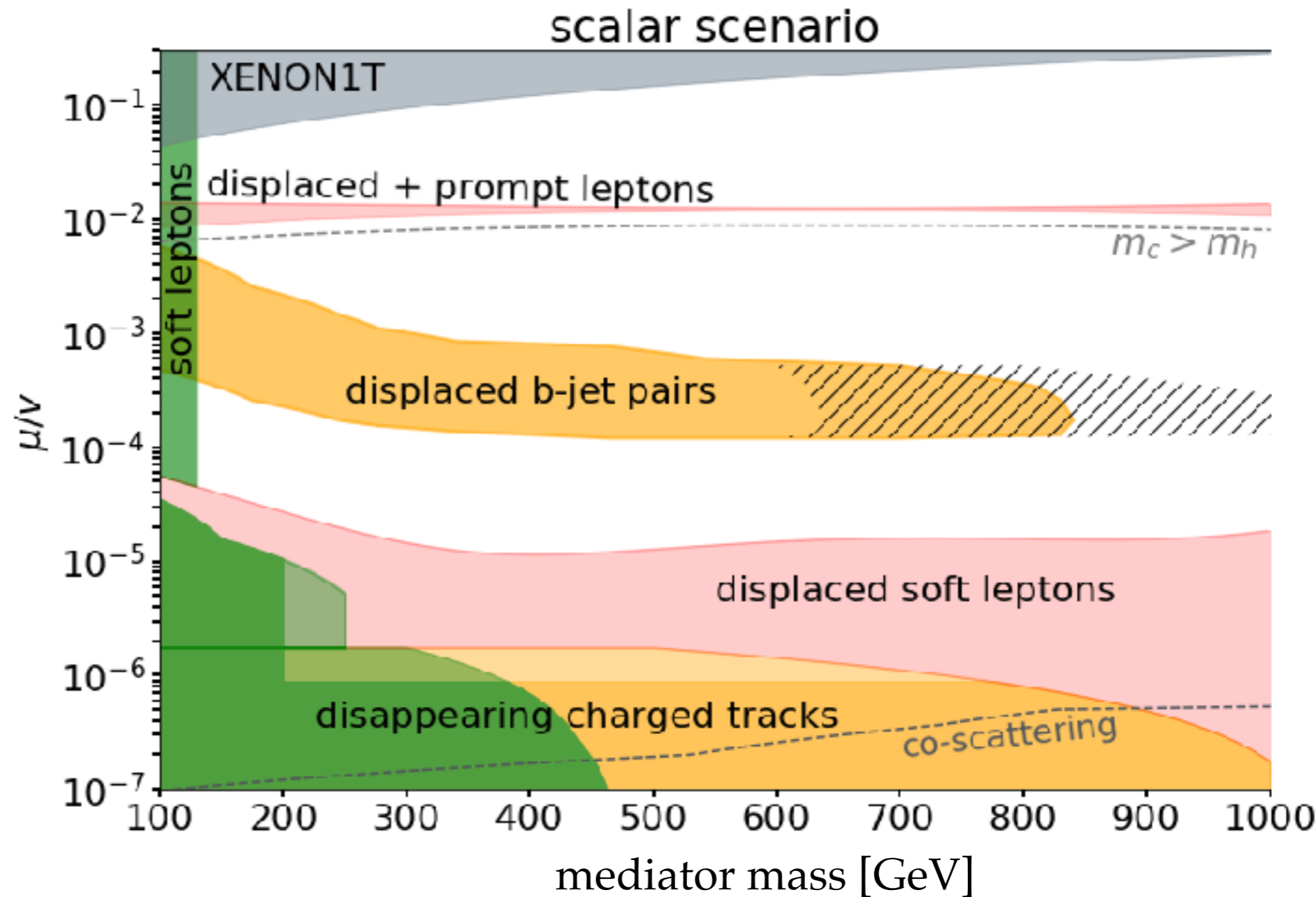
Filimonova / Westhoff [1812.04628](#)

portal coupling

$$\mu = \frac{\kappa v^2}{\sqrt{2}\Lambda}$$

mediator width

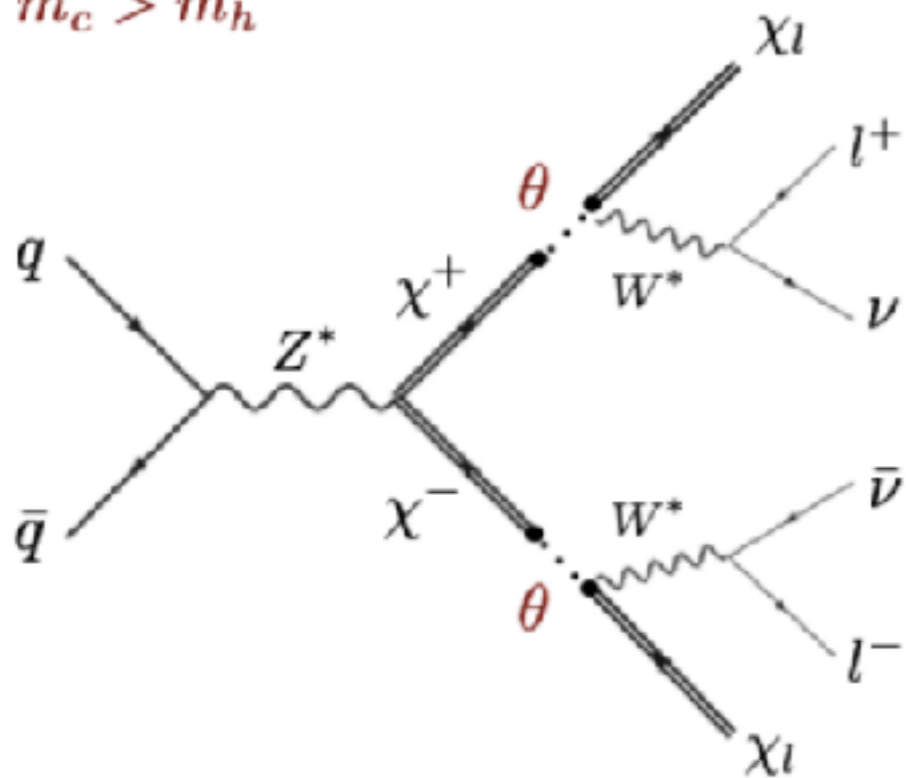
$$\Gamma_\chi \sim \left(\frac{\mu}{v}\right)^x (\Delta m)^y$$



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displaced soft lepton signatures

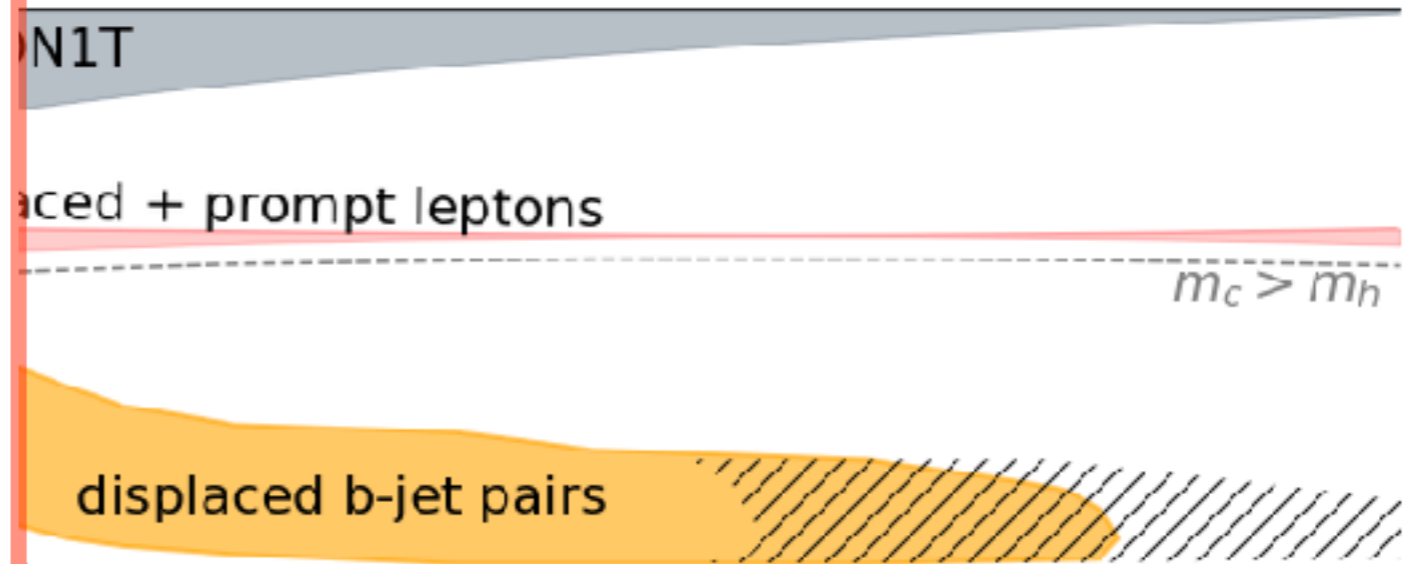
$$m_c > m_h$$



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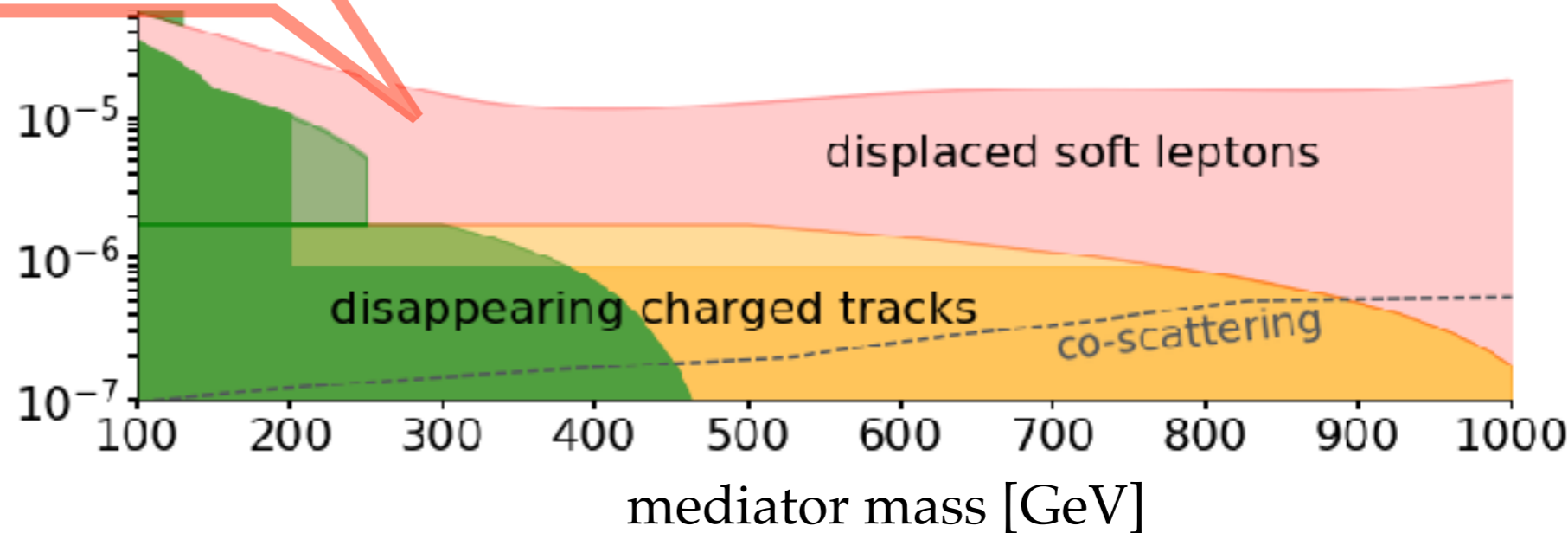
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scalar scenario

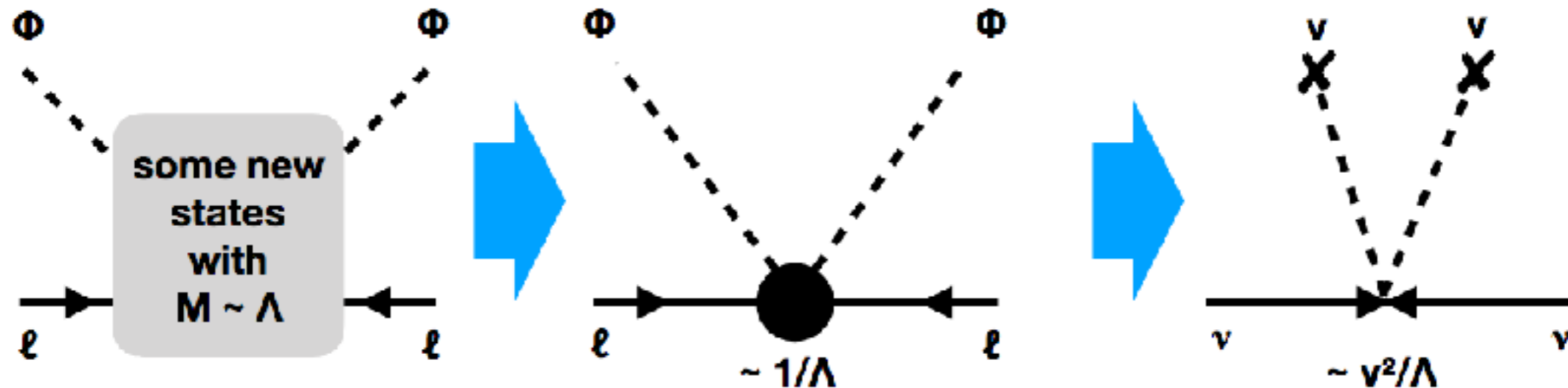


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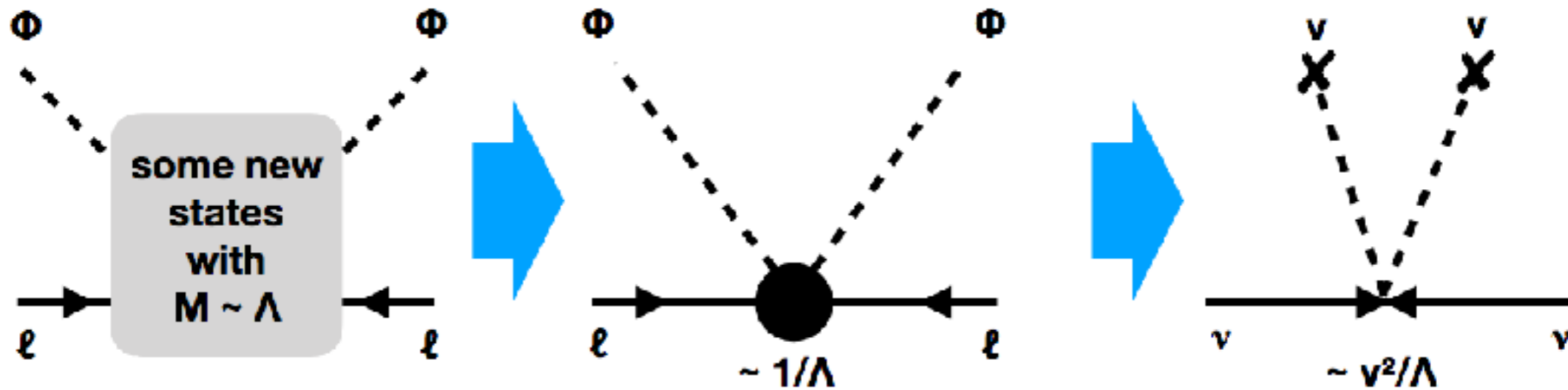


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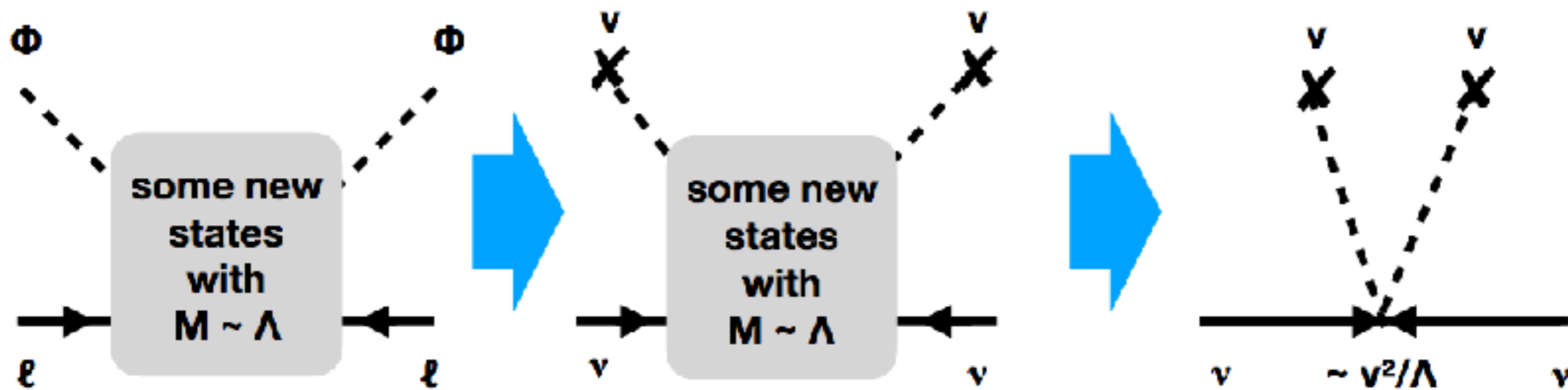
$$\frac{1}{2} \overline{l_L} \tilde{H} c^{[5]} \Lambda^{-1} \tilde{H}^T l_L^c + h.c. \quad \longrightarrow \quad \overline{\nu_L} m_M \nu_L^c + h.c.$$

“integrating out” heavier states with masses $\sim \Lambda \gg E_\nu$
gives the Weinberg operator

Neutrino Masses



High Scale Seesaw: $\Lambda \gg v$



Low Scale Seesaw: $\Lambda \approx v$

Example: Right Handed Neutrino

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May explain Asaka/Shaposhnikov 2005

- Neutrino masses
- Leptogenesis
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	e electron	μ muon	τ tau	H Higgs boson
Leptons	0.511 MeV	105.7 MeV	1.777 GeV	125 GeV
	-1	-1	-1	0
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three light neutrinos mostly "active" SU(2) doublet

$$\nu \simeq U_\nu (\nu_L + \theta \nu_R^c)$$

$$\text{with masses } m_\nu \simeq \theta M_M \theta^T = v^2 F M_M^{-1} F^T$$

three heavy mostly singlet neutrinos

$$N \simeq \nu_R + \theta^T \nu_L^c$$

$$\text{with masses } M_N \simeq M_M$$

← for M below the electroweak scale these are long lived!



Thermal Leptogenesis

Basic idea

Fukugita/Yanagida 86

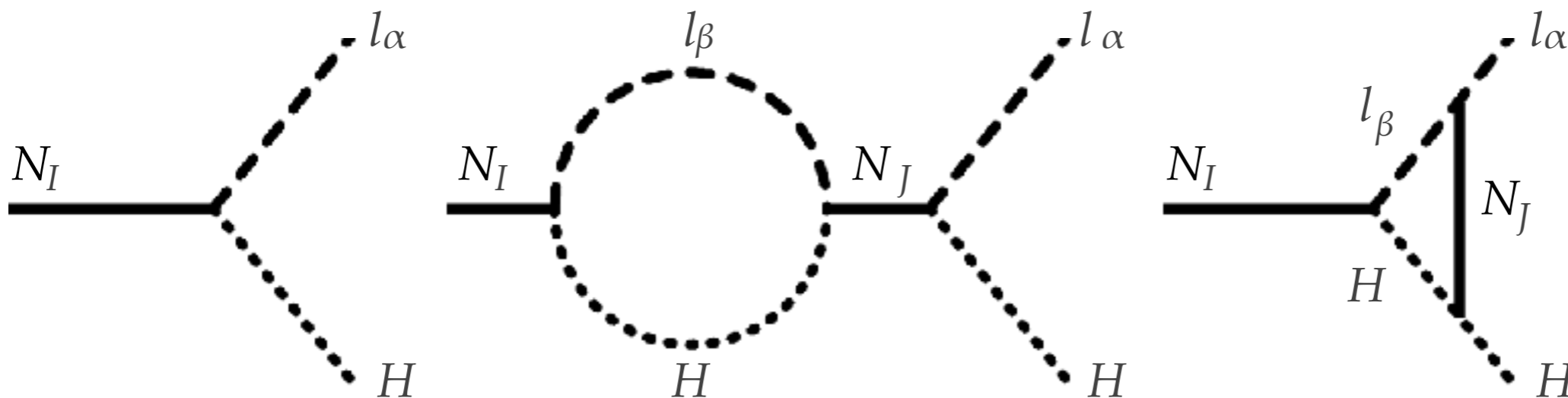
- N are around in the early universe
- Yukawas F are CP violating
- N may preferably decay into matter

CP violating parameter ϵ

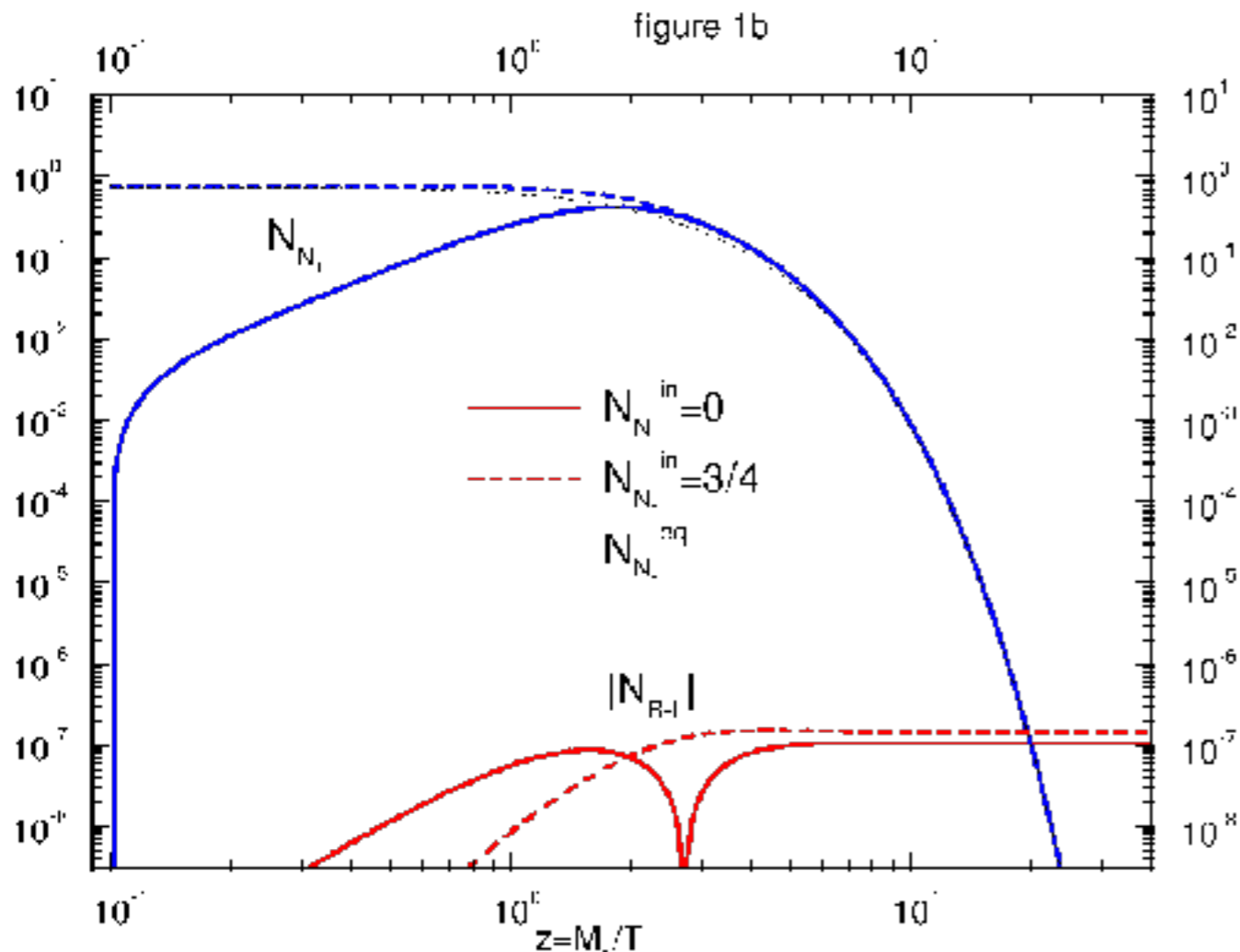
$$\epsilon = \frac{\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \ell H} - \Gamma_{N \rightarrow \bar{\ell} H^*}}{\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \ell H} + \Gamma_{N \rightarrow \bar{\ell} H^*}}$$

final asymmetry

$$Y_{B-L} \propto \epsilon/g_*$$



Leptogenesis with small M ?



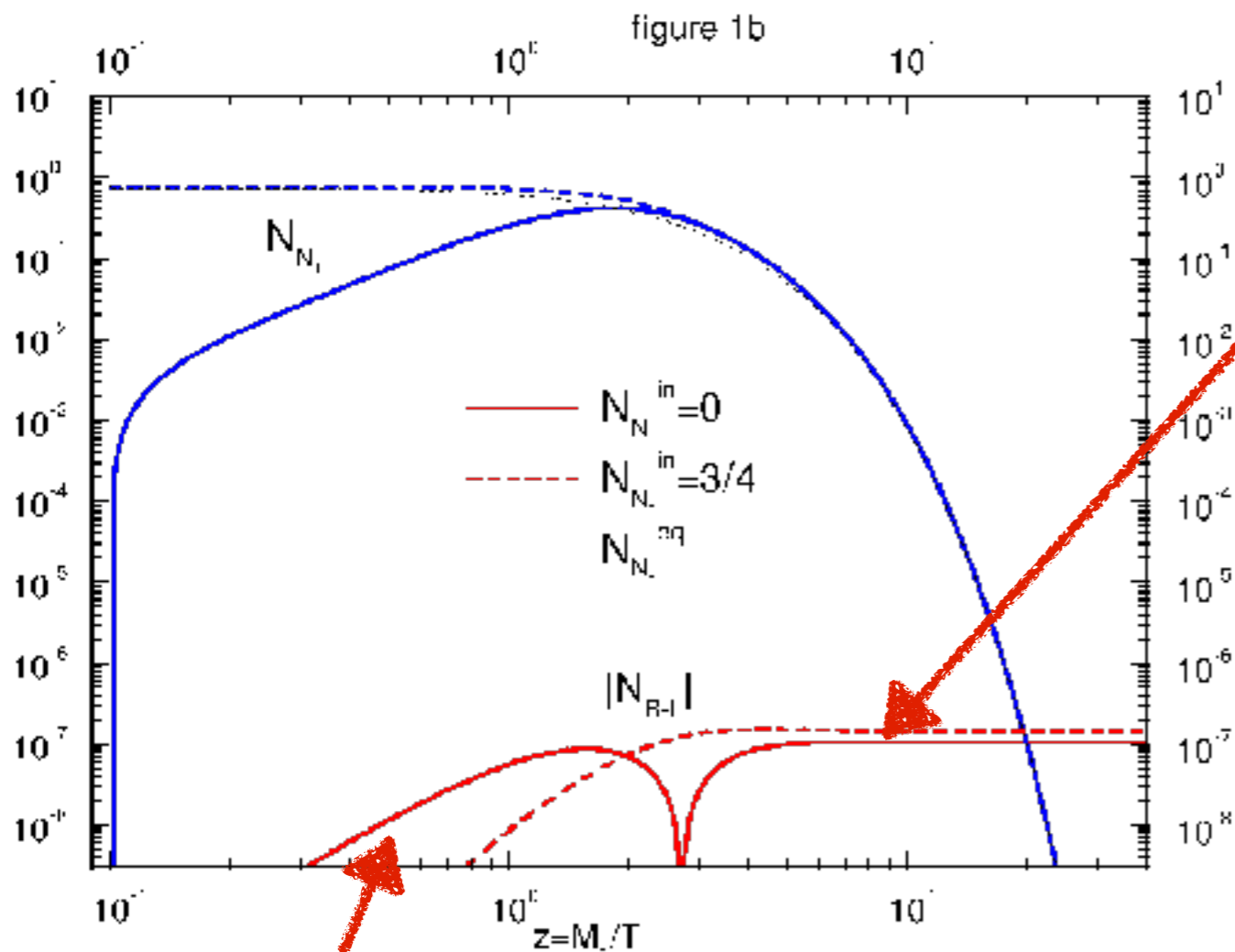
What about the famous
Davidson-Ibarra bound
 $M > 10^9 \text{ GeV}$? [0202239](#)

Buchmuller / Di Bari / Plumacher [0205349](#)

$$xH \frac{dY_N}{dx} = -\Gamma_N (Y_N - Y_N^{\text{eq}}) \quad x = M/T$$

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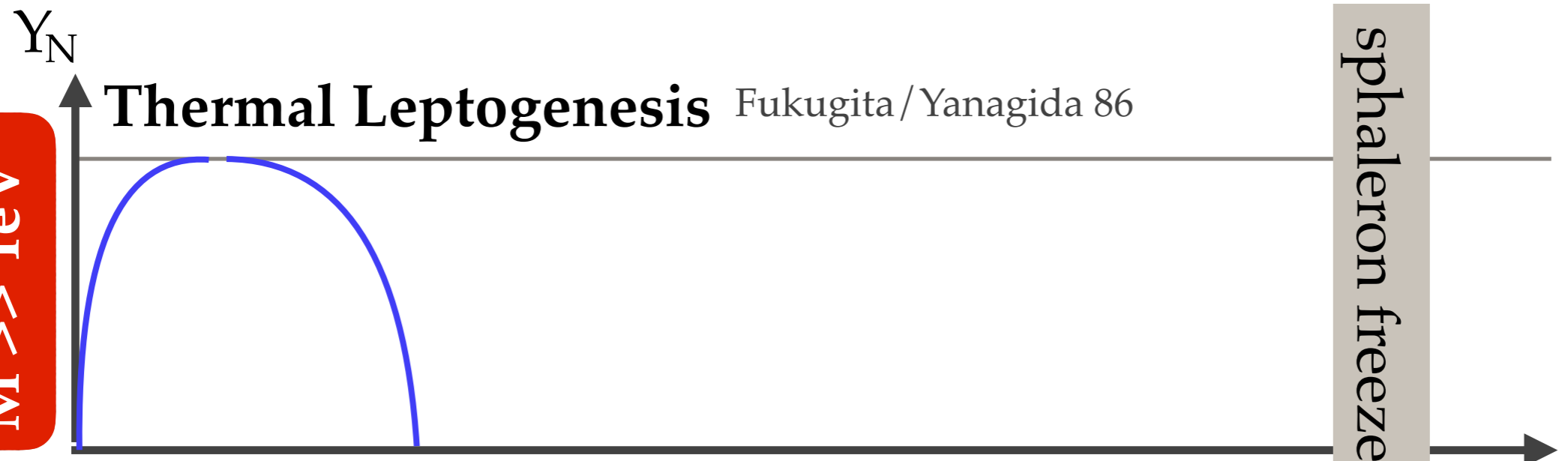
Sakharov's nonequilibrium condition can be fulfilled in two ways.

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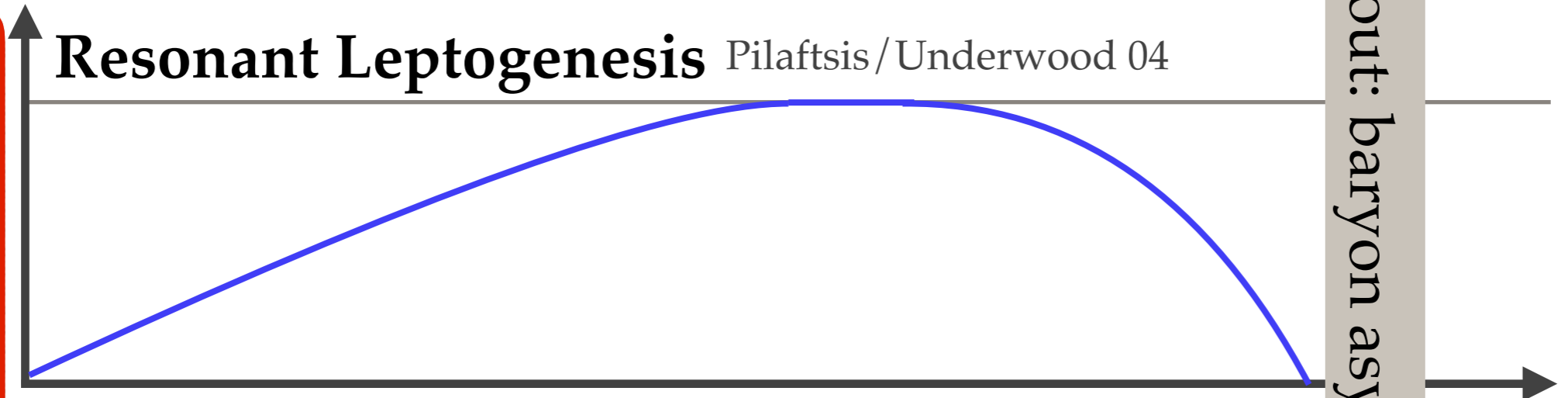
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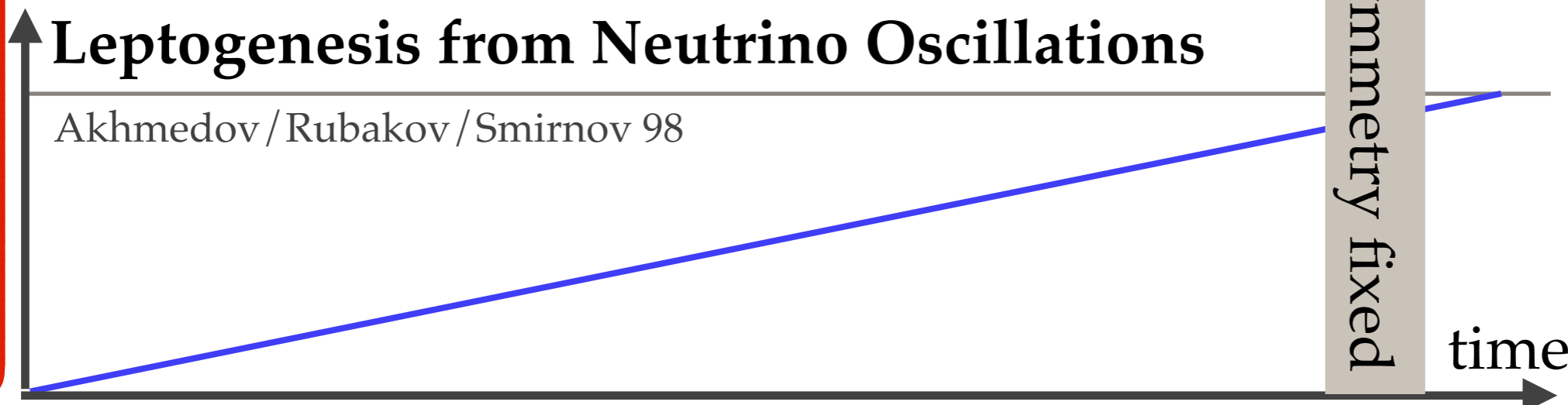


asymmetry generated in
freeze-out and decay

low scale
 $M < \text{TeV}$



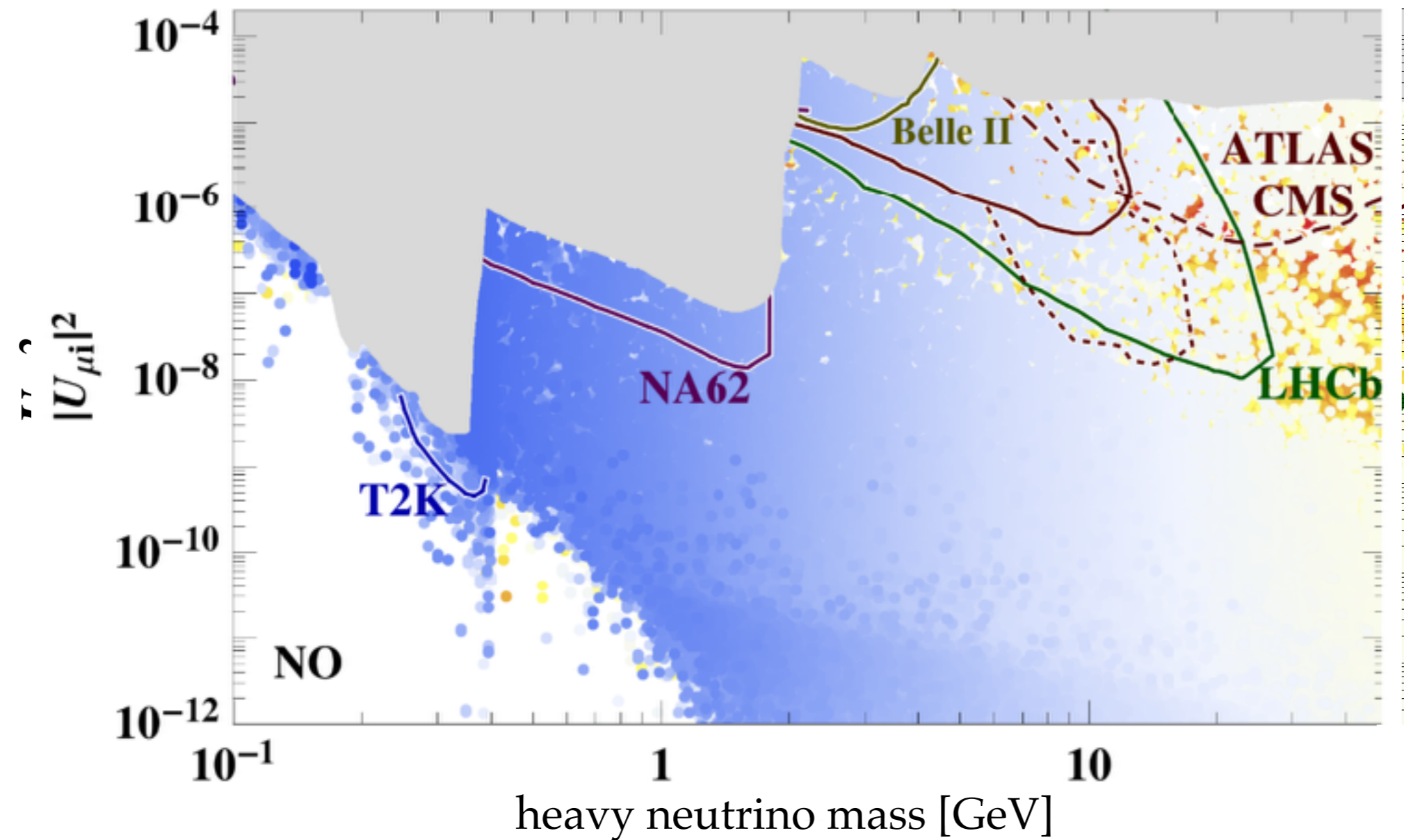
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"big bang"

$T = 130 \text{ GeV}$

Low Scale Leptogenesis at the LHC



plot from
Abada et al [1810.12463](https://arxiv.org/abs/1810.12463)

**For
experimental
searches:
Talk by Jan
Hajer**

- colour of points:
leptogenesis + neutrino masses with three heavy neutrinos
- colour code measures the degree of fine tuning

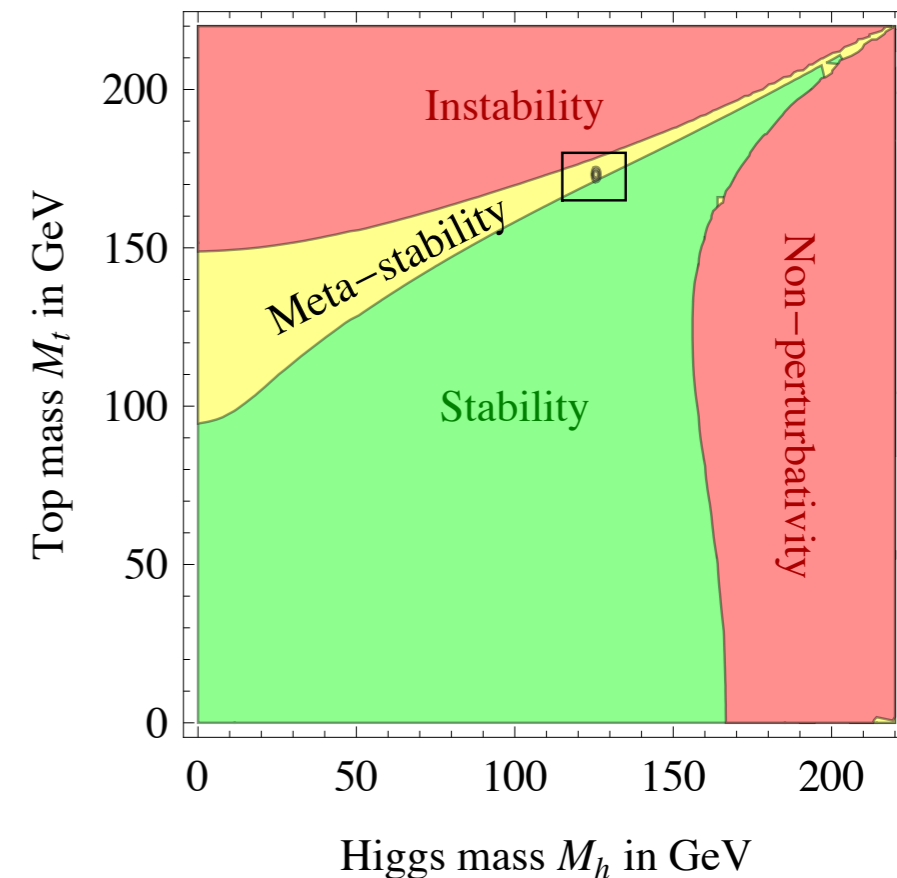
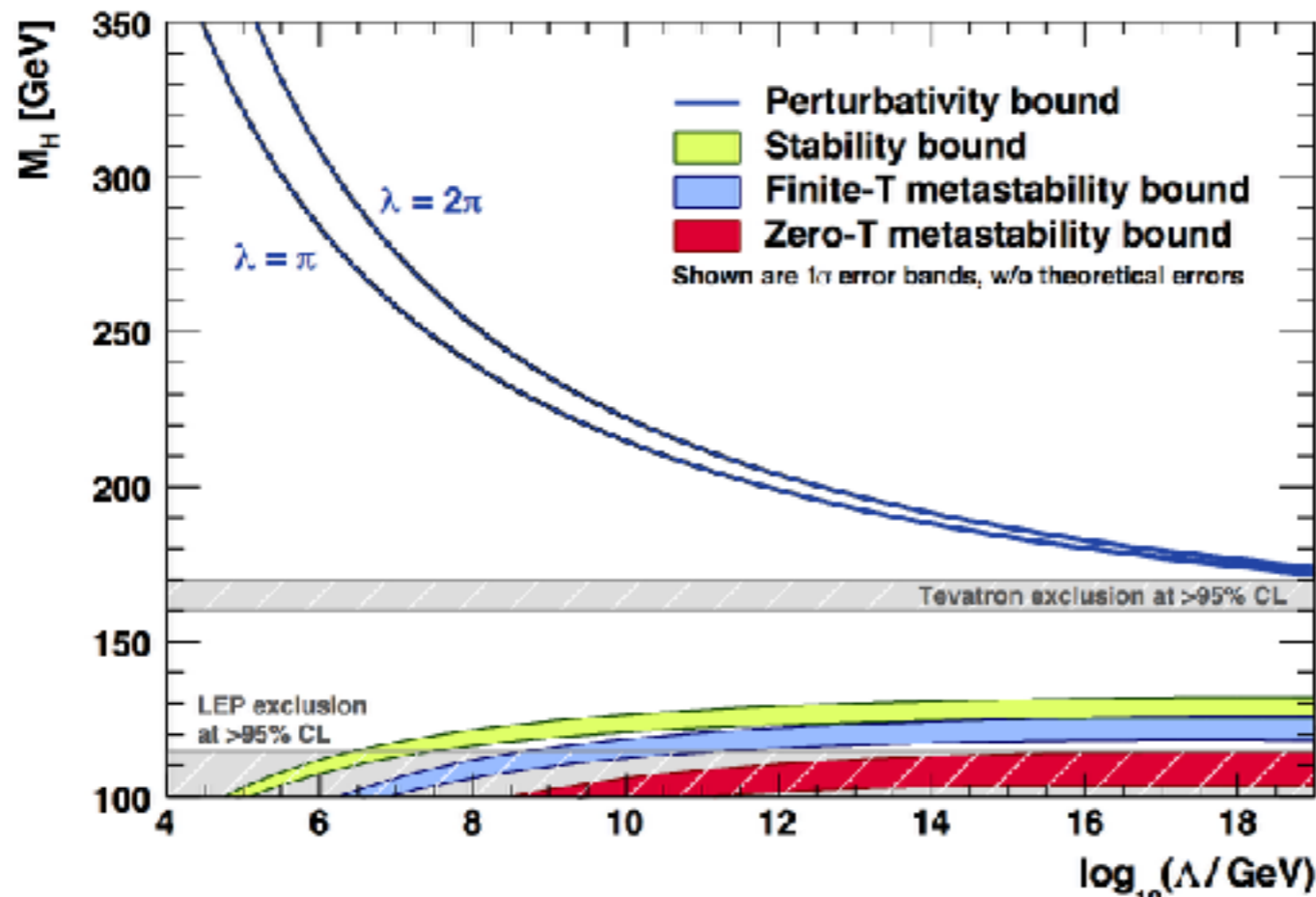
The Hierarchy Problem

Hierarchy Problem

- Adding heavy states leads to electroweak hierarchy problem
- No problem if all masses below electroweak scale Bardeen 95,
Shaposhnikov 07

Higgs properties / vacuum stability

- SM could be valid EFT to Planck scale!



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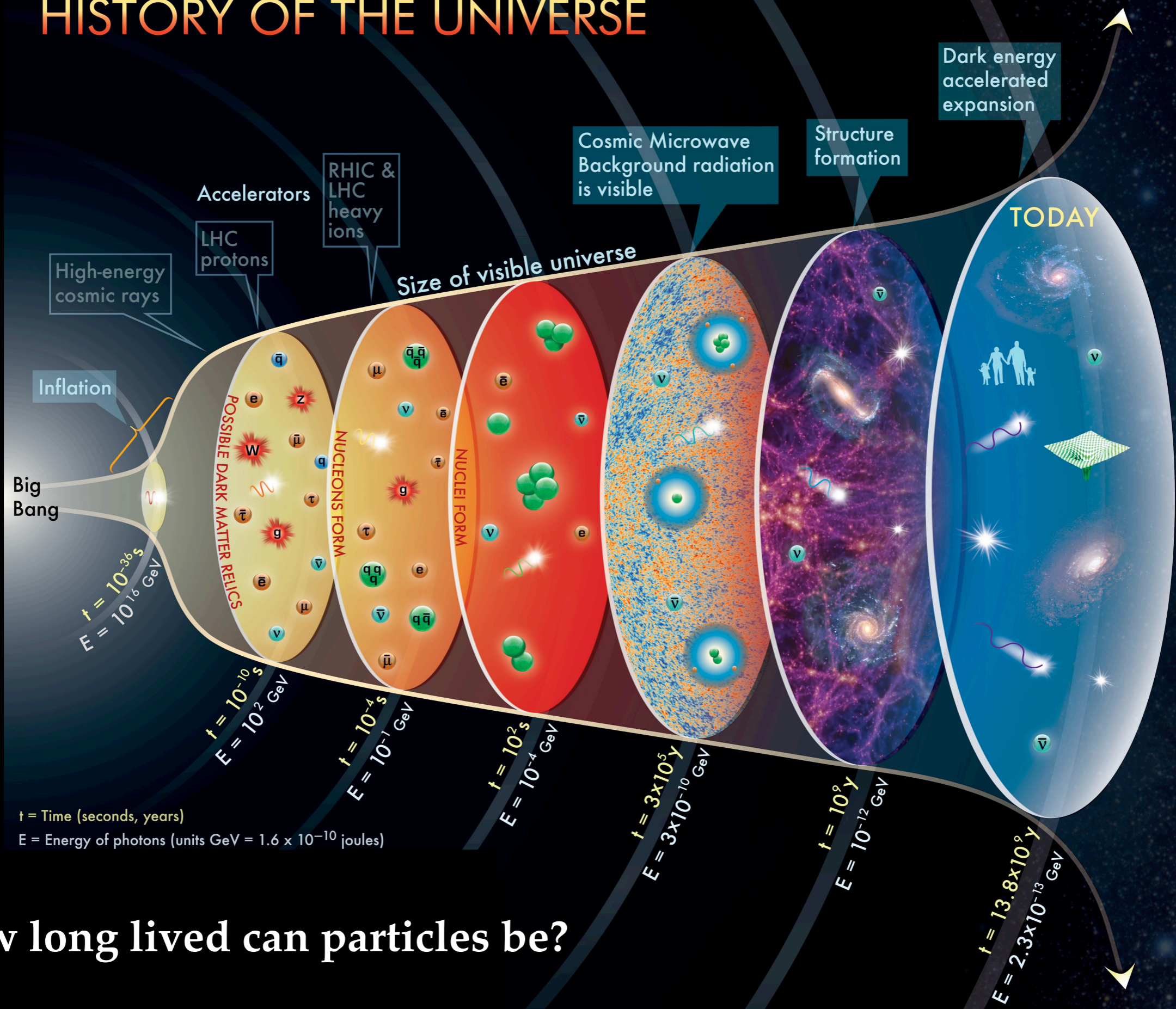
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HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSE



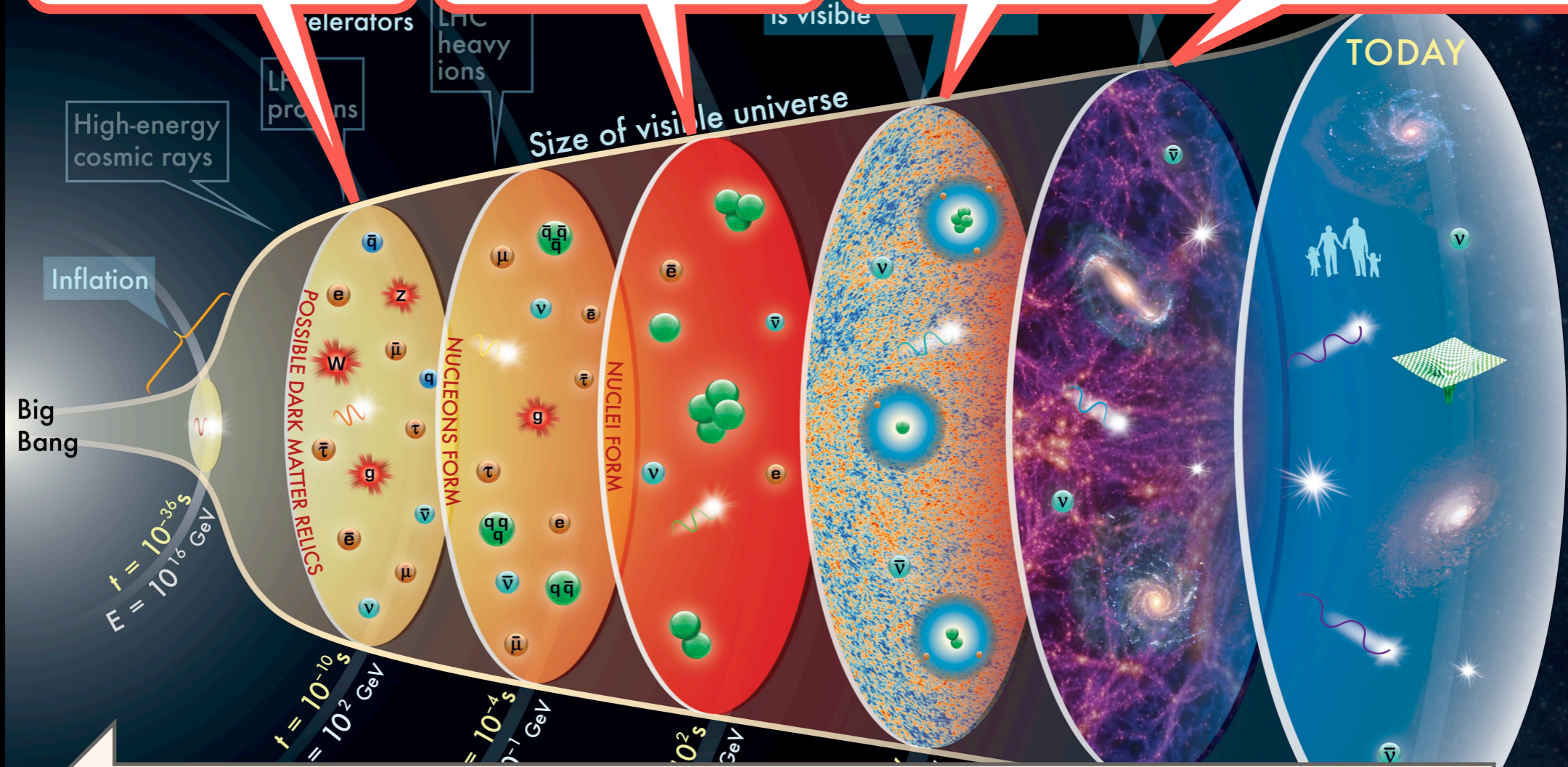
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Large Hadron Collider

light element abundances

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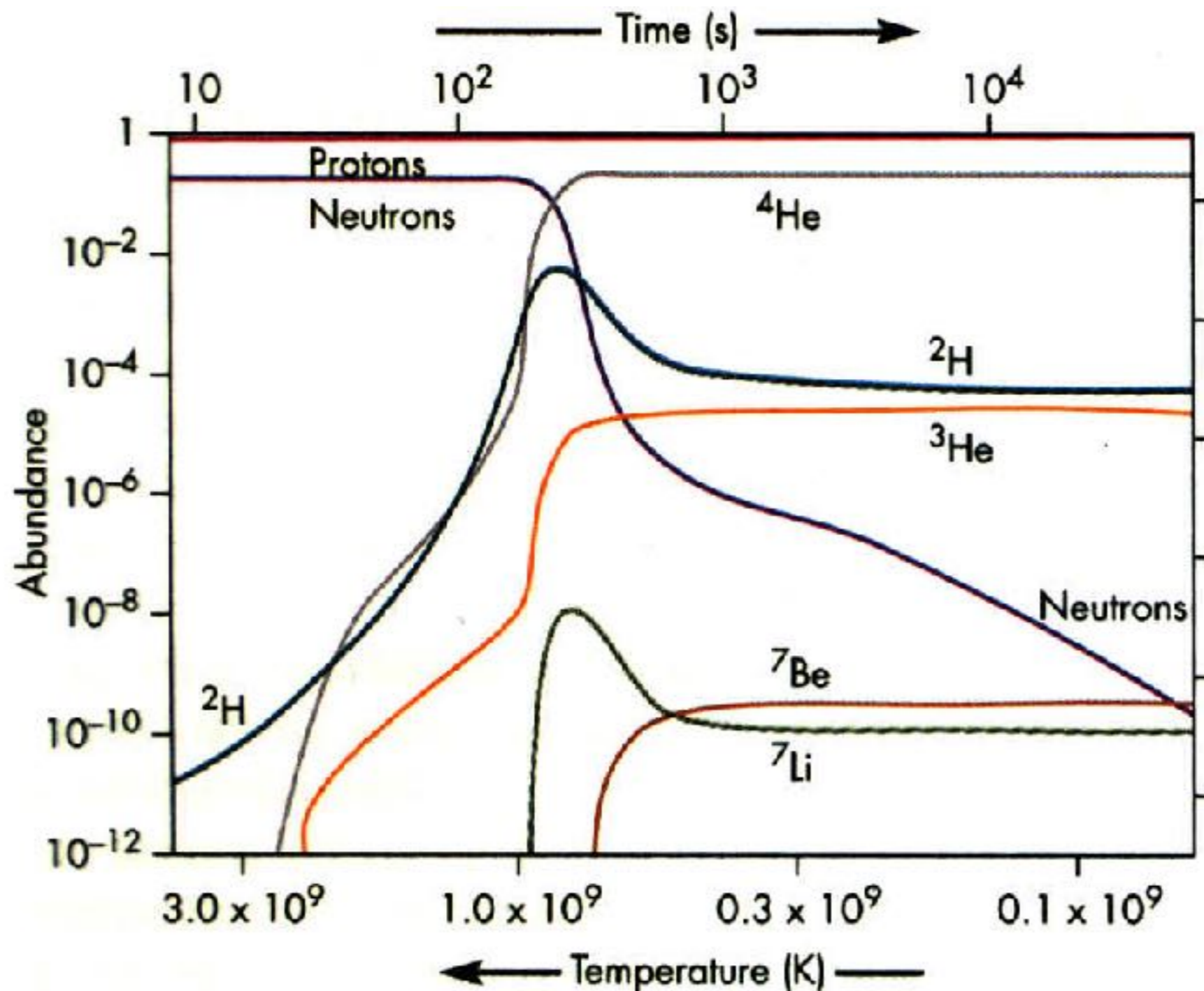
optical astronomy



energy density, temperature

cosmic time

Big Bang Nucleosynthesis



Light elements are produced in a chain of nuclear reactions.

Theory is in good agreement with observed abundances in IGM

Decay of LLPs would disturb BBN

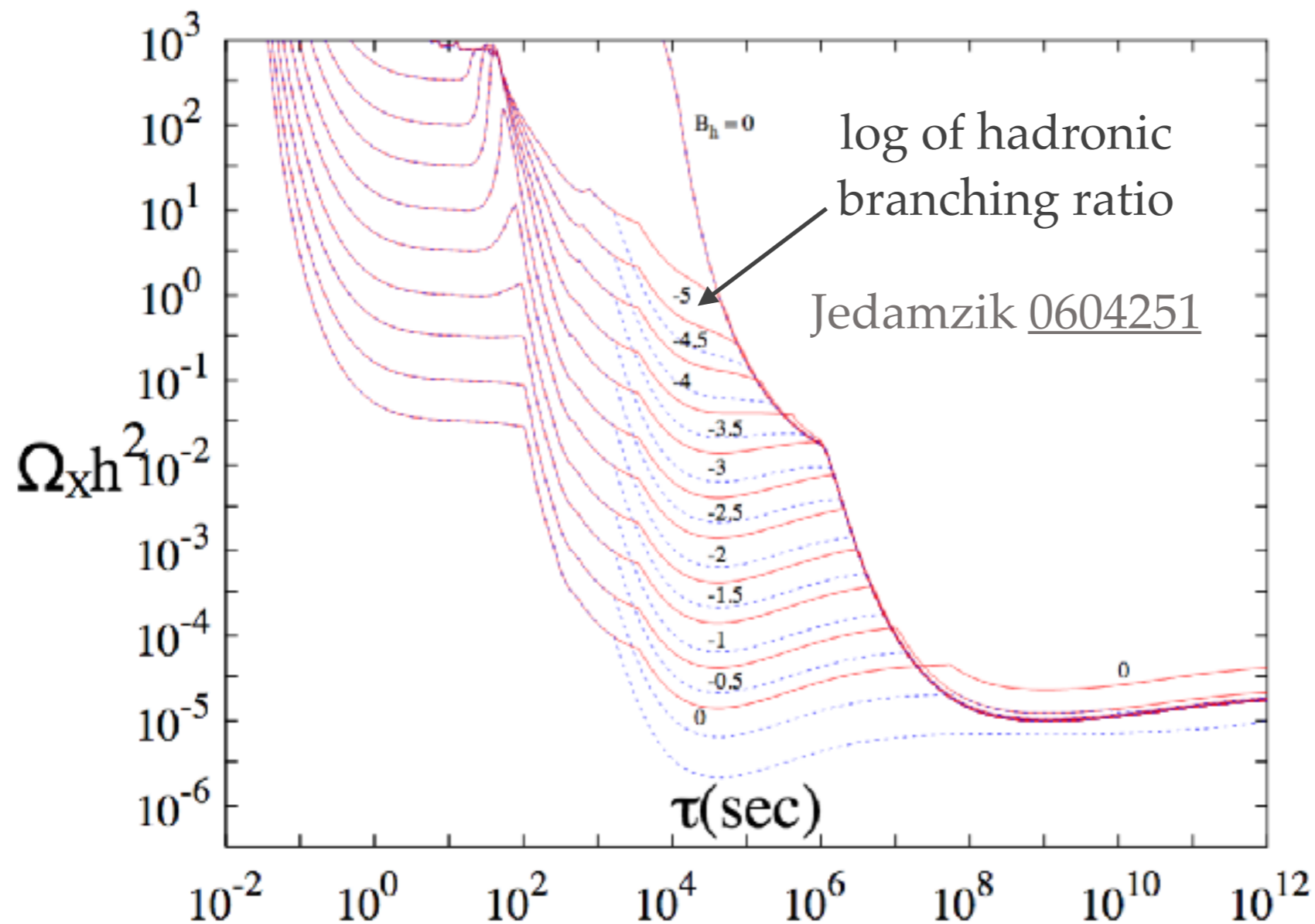
\Rightarrow LLP must not decay during BBN!

Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

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recent update: Hufnagel et al [1808.09324](#)

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- Decay modifies relation between temperature and energy density...

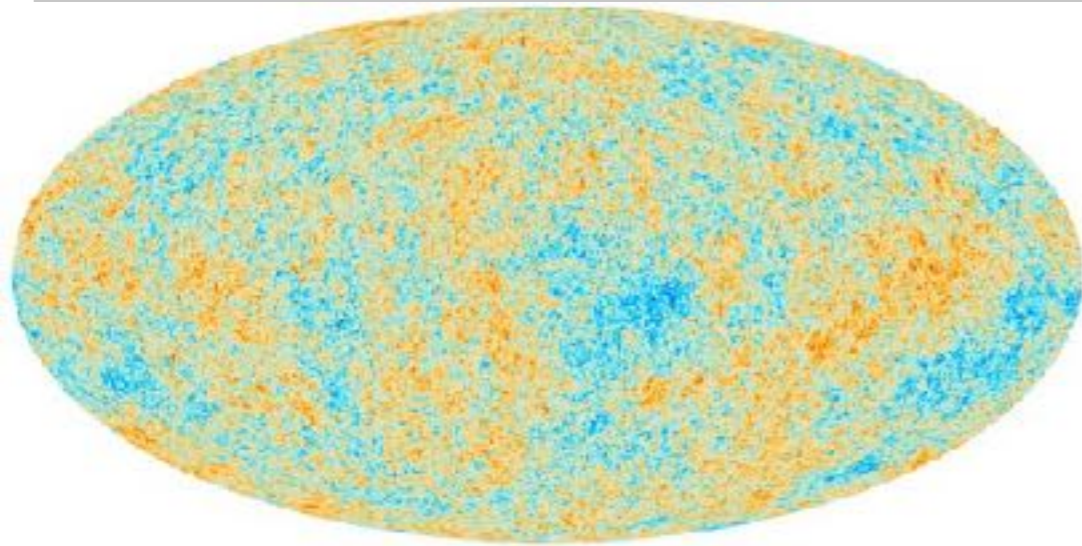
$$\rho_\gamma + \rho_{\text{neutrinos}} + [\text{new physics effects}] \equiv \rho_\gamma + N_{\text{eff}} \rho_\nu = \frac{\pi^2}{15} T_\gamma^4 \left[1 + N_{\text{eff}} \frac{7}{8} \left(\frac{4}{11} \right)^{4/3} \right]$$

...and thereby the Hubble rate

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3} G \rho$$

- Entropy injection modifies baryon to photon ratio

Cosmic Microwave Background

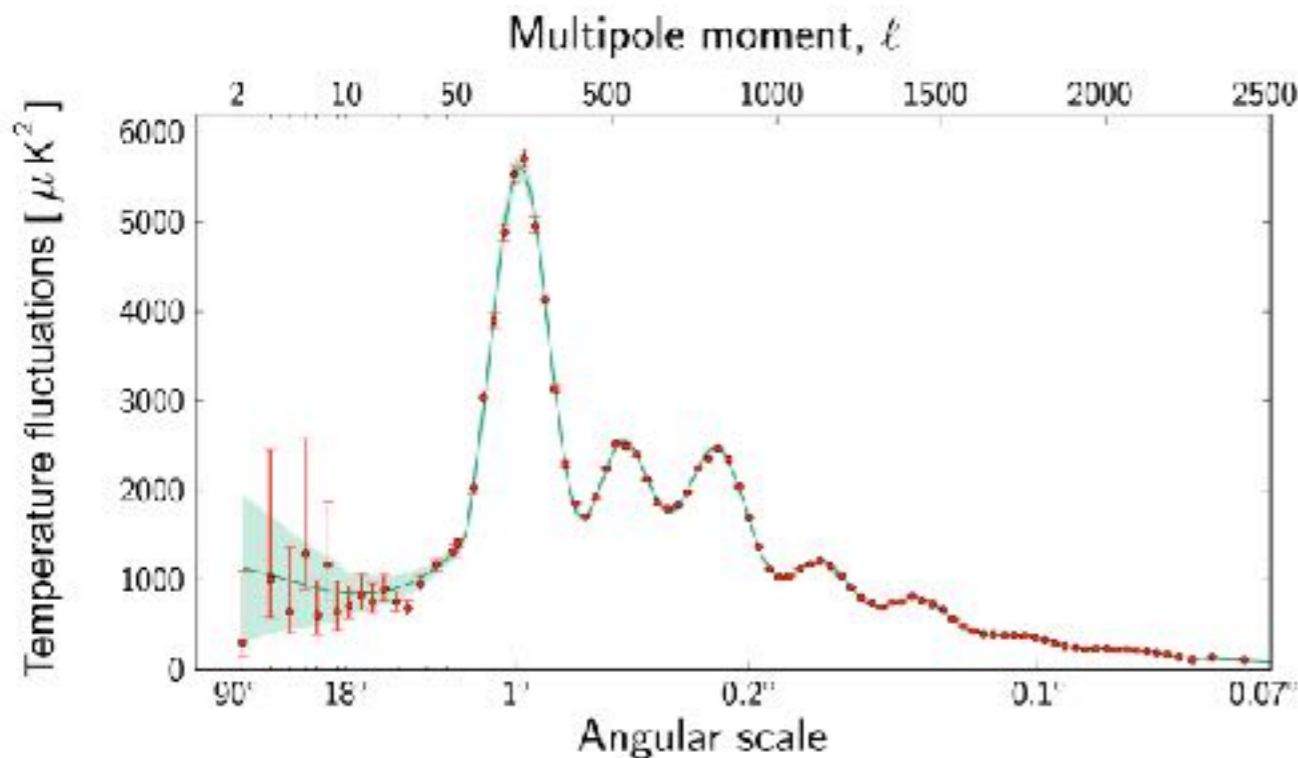


CMB is sensitive to the number of relativistic particle species in the primordial plasma

SM predicts 3 neutrinos (in addition to photons). This prediction **assumes thermal distributions with single T.**

Observed value:

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 2.99 \pm 0.17 \quad \text{Planck } \underline{1807.06209}$$

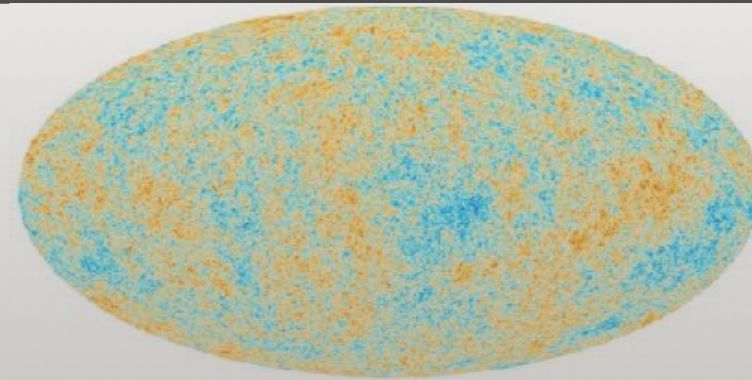
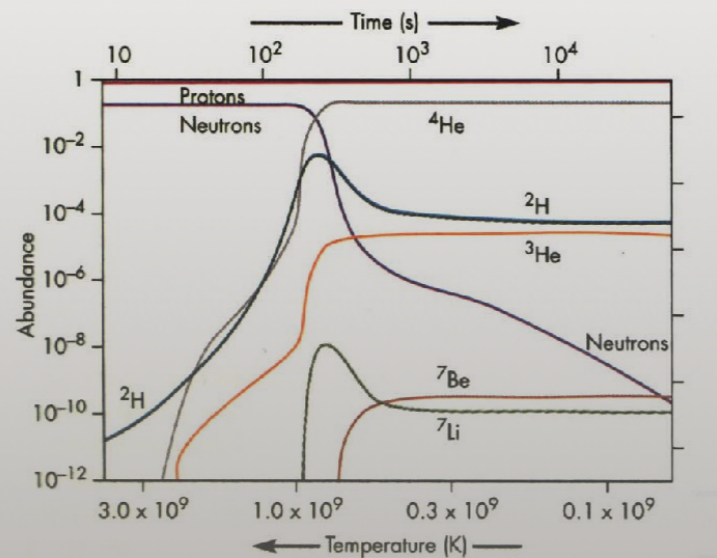


LLP decay would create entropy, disturb spectra and ruin this agreement

How long lived can new particles be?

0.1s

300.000 yrs



hot
plasma

galaxy
formation

⇐ must decay before 0.1s ...

...or after more than 300.000 yrs ⇒
(e.g. Dark Matter)

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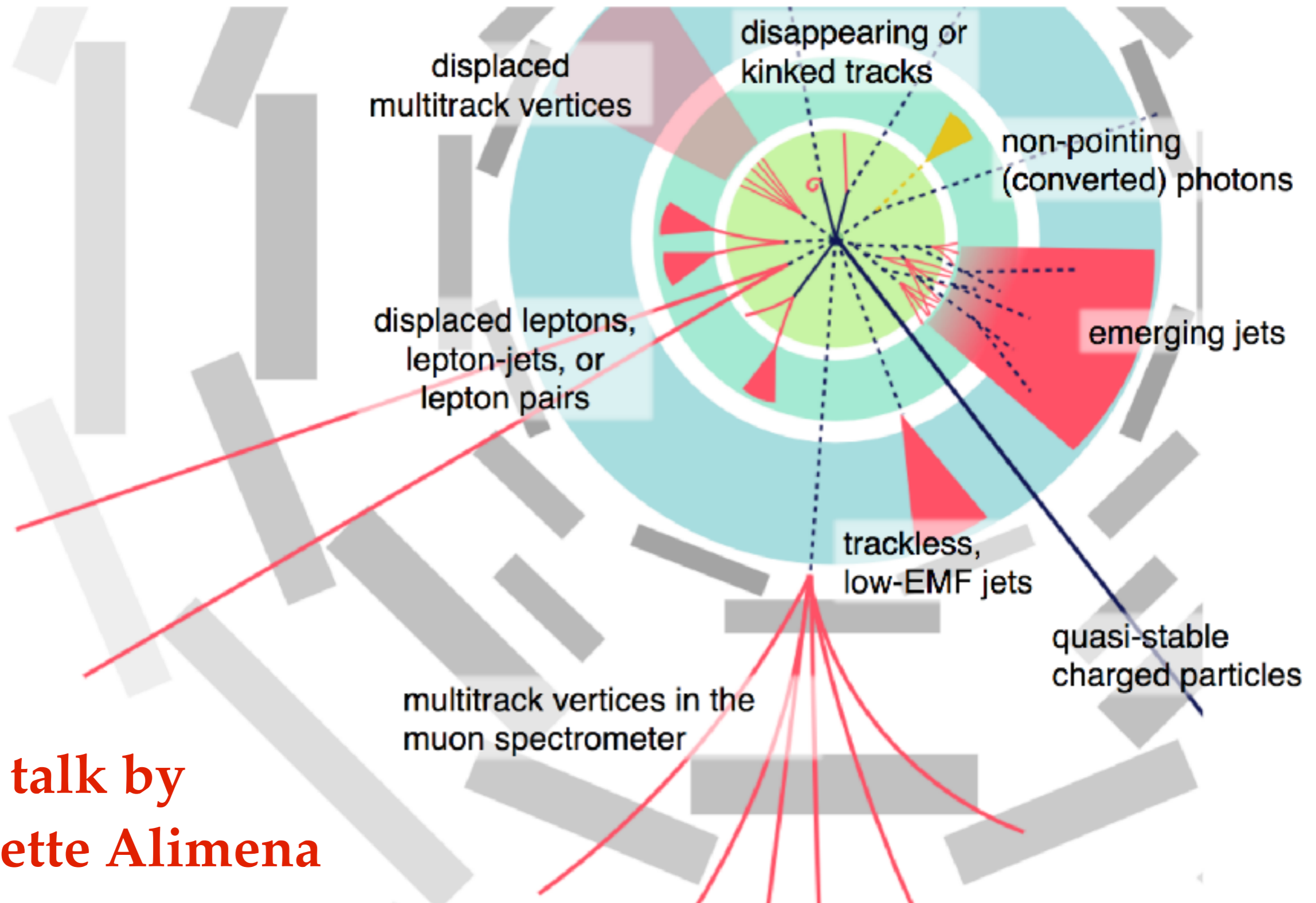
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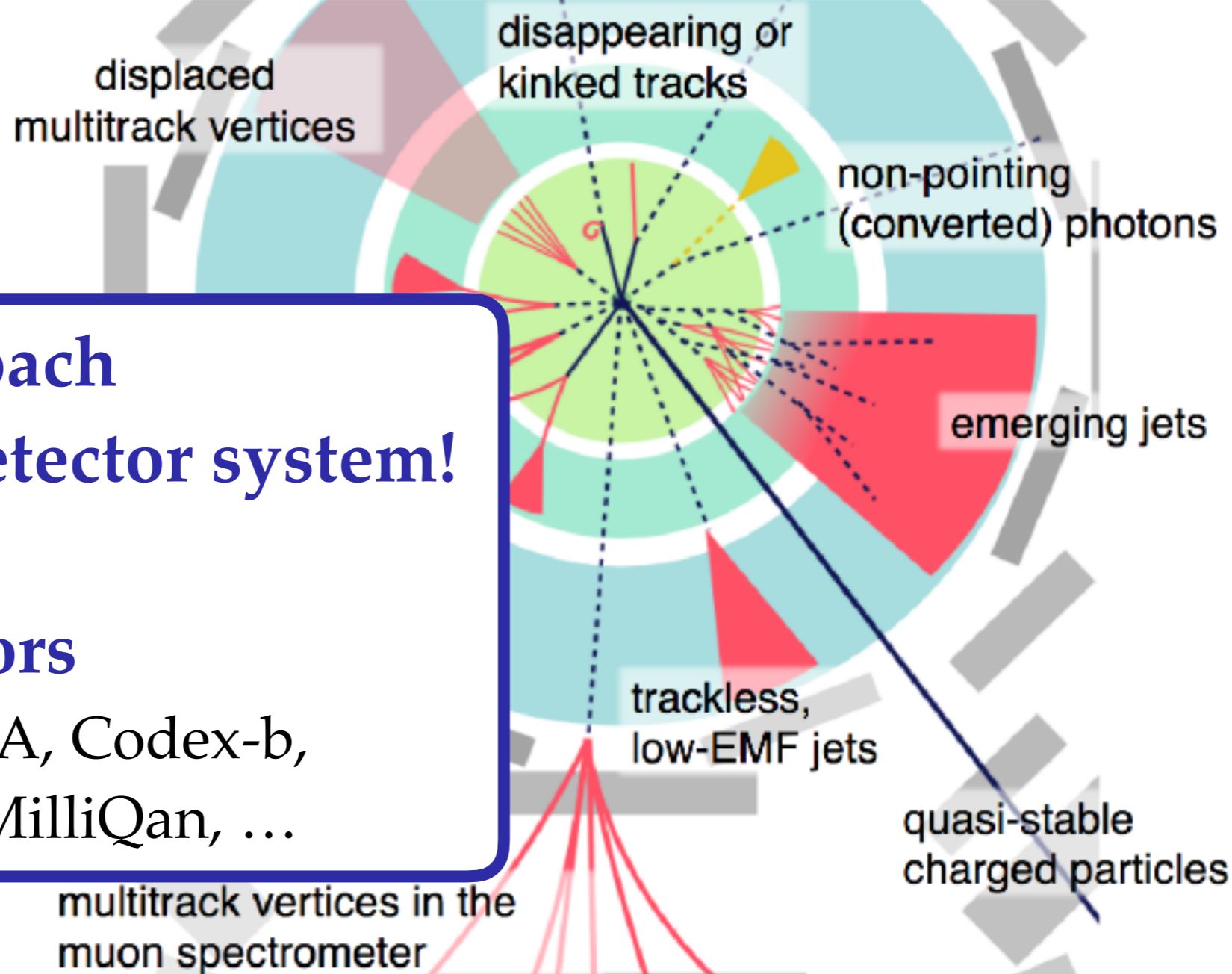
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A “holistic” approach

- use complete detector system!
- use all data!
- add new detectors

FASER, MATHUSLA, Codex-b,
AL3X, MOEDAL, MilliQan, ...

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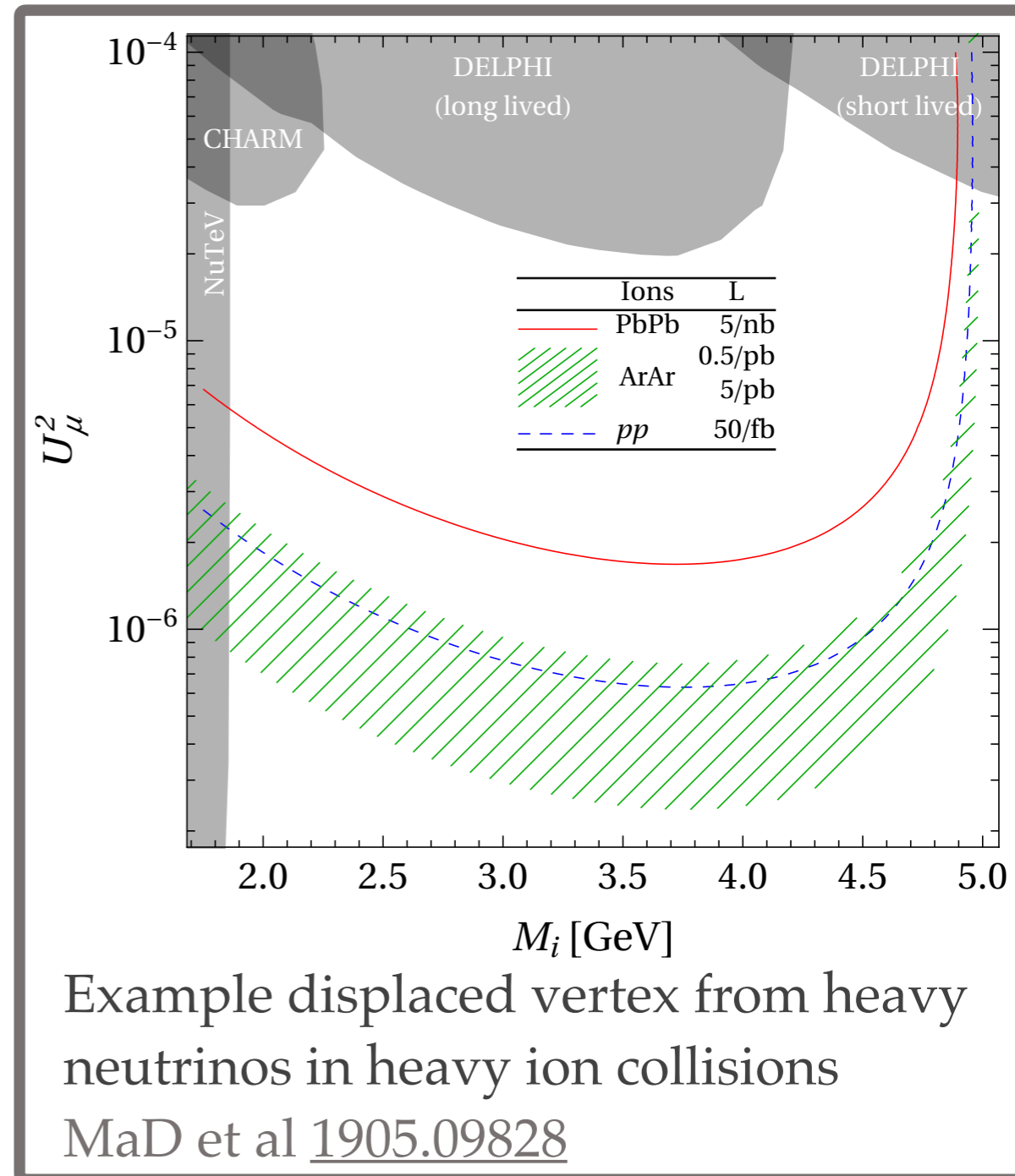


Use all Data!

Example: Heavy ion data can help to fully explore the parameter space

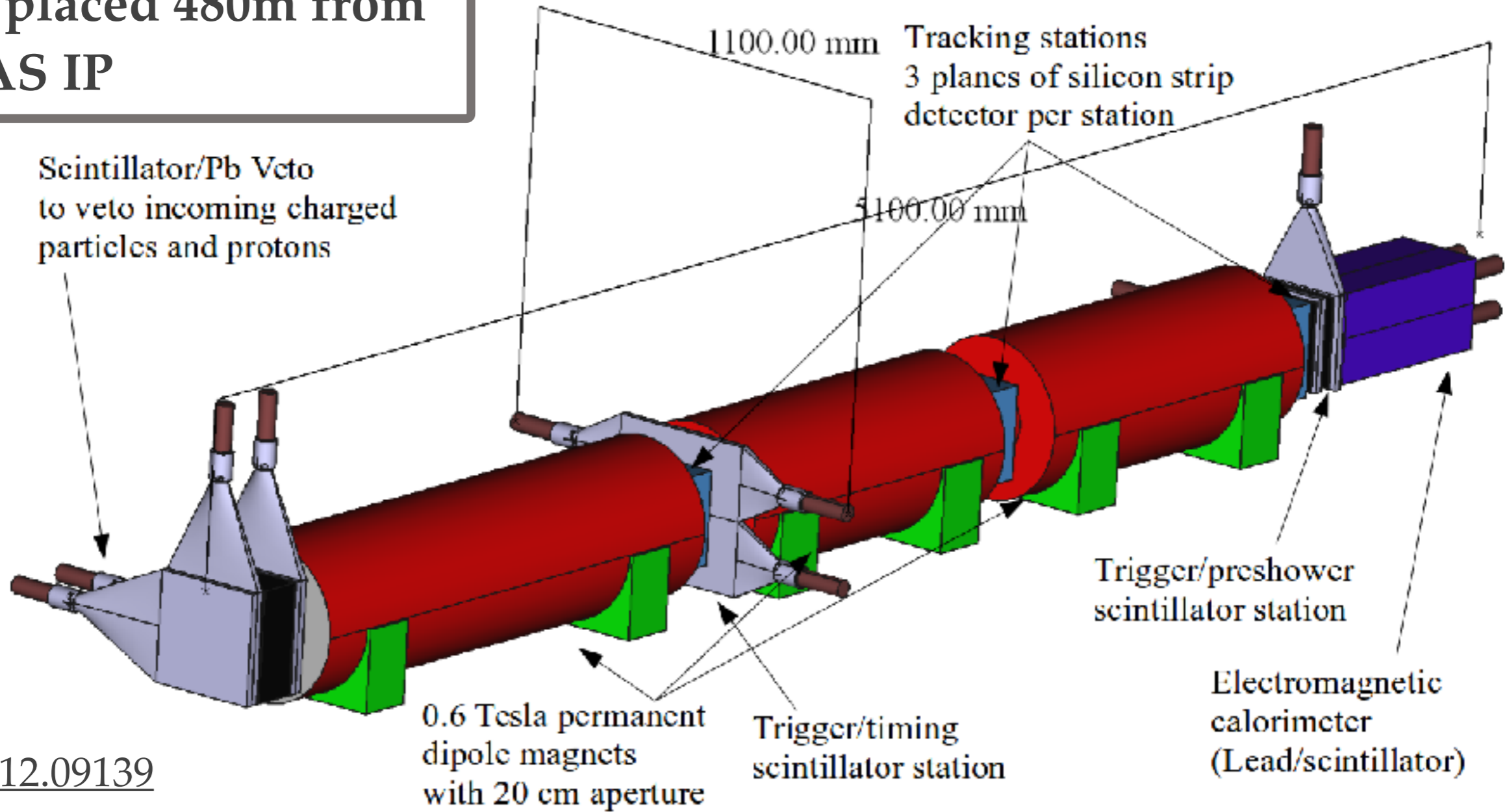
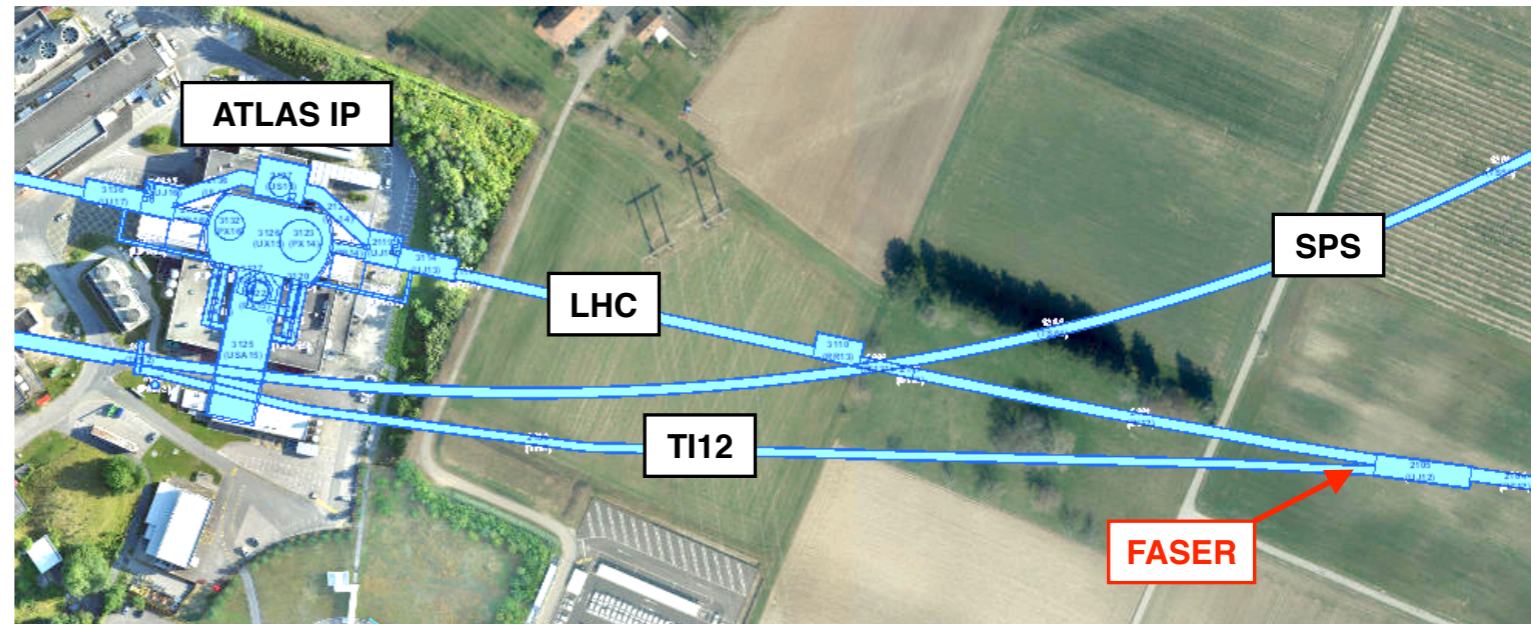
- strongly enhanced production cross section for ALPs, monopoles etc.
- no pile up = no primary vertex misidentification
- different backgrounds
- triggers can be lowered to see soft particles

see **Jan Hajer's talk**
and Bruce et al [1812.07688](#)



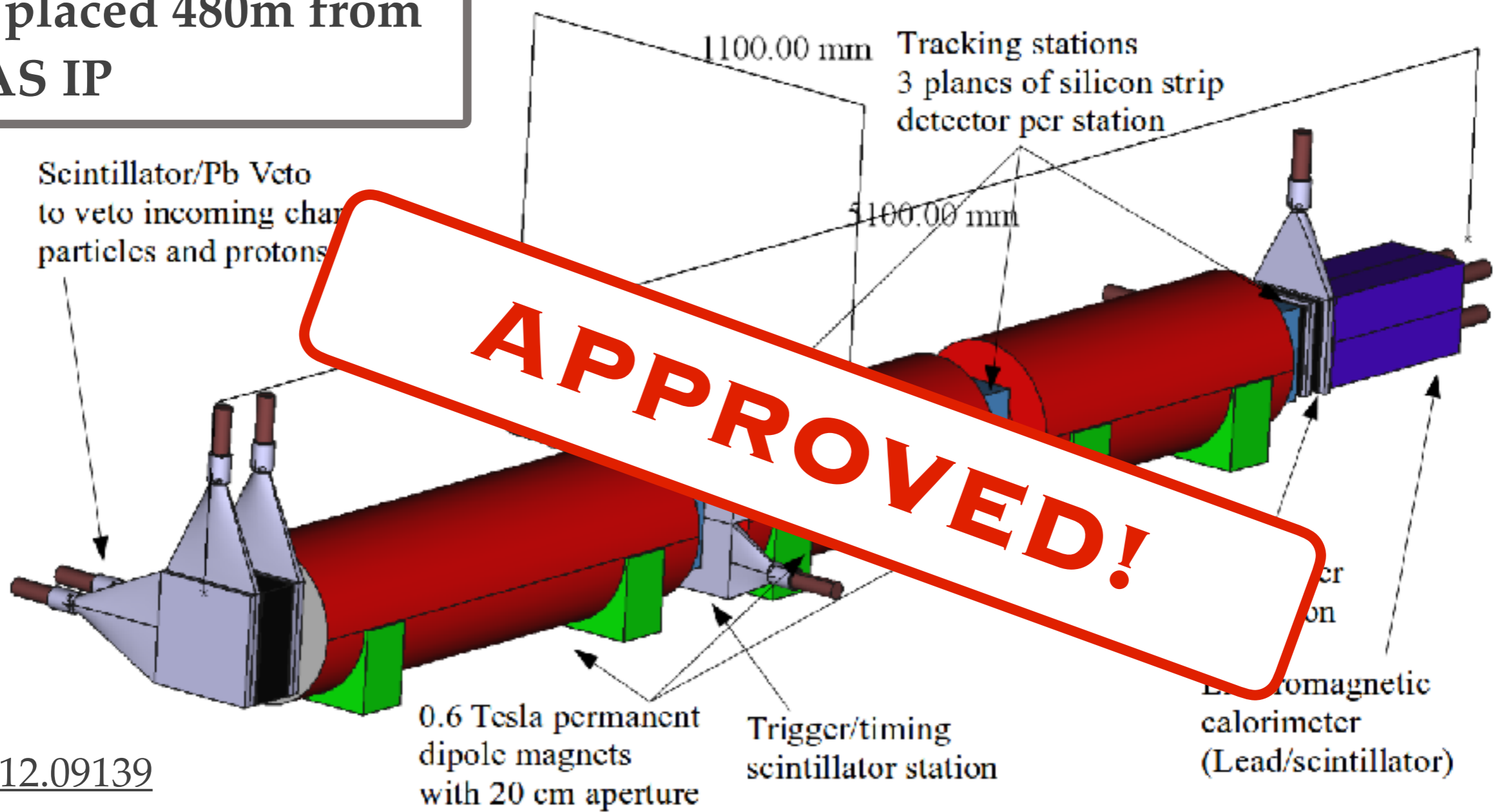
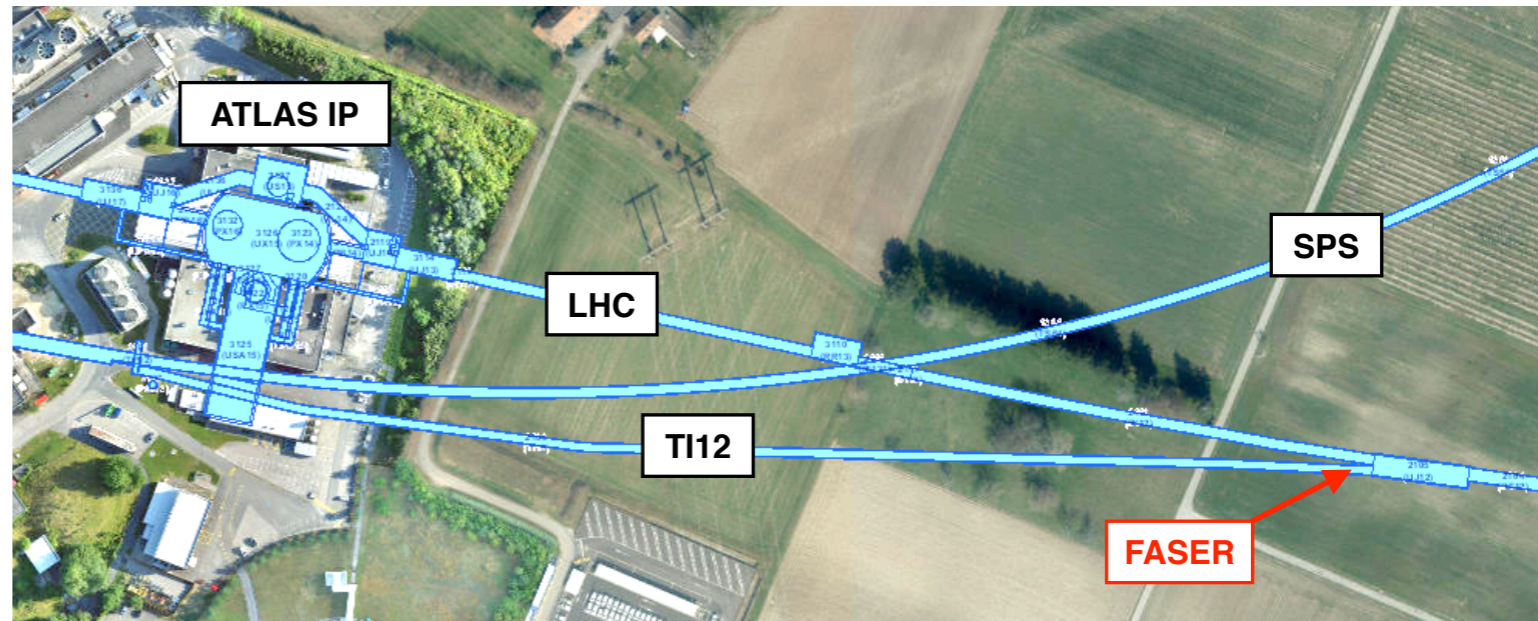
FASER

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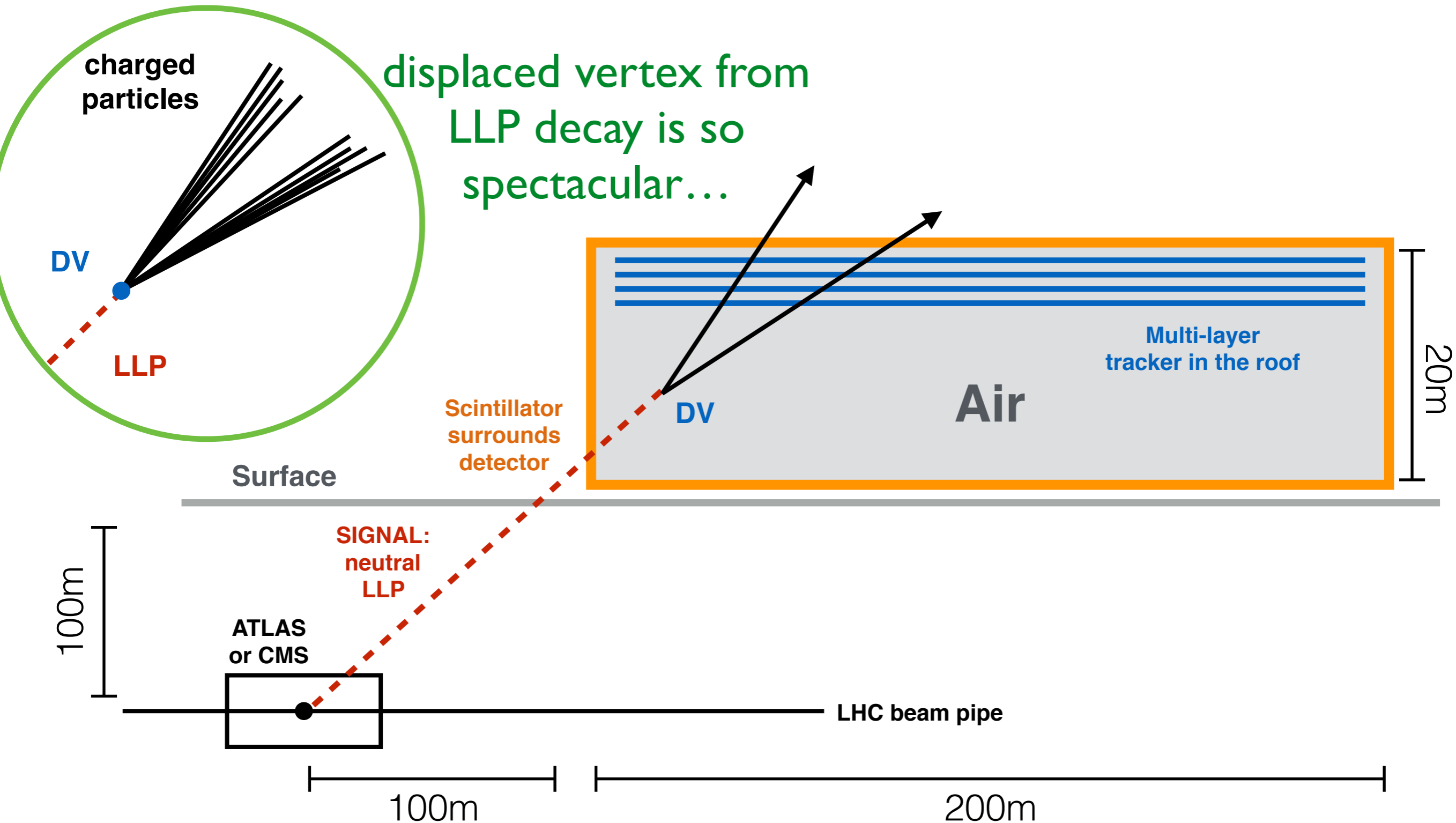
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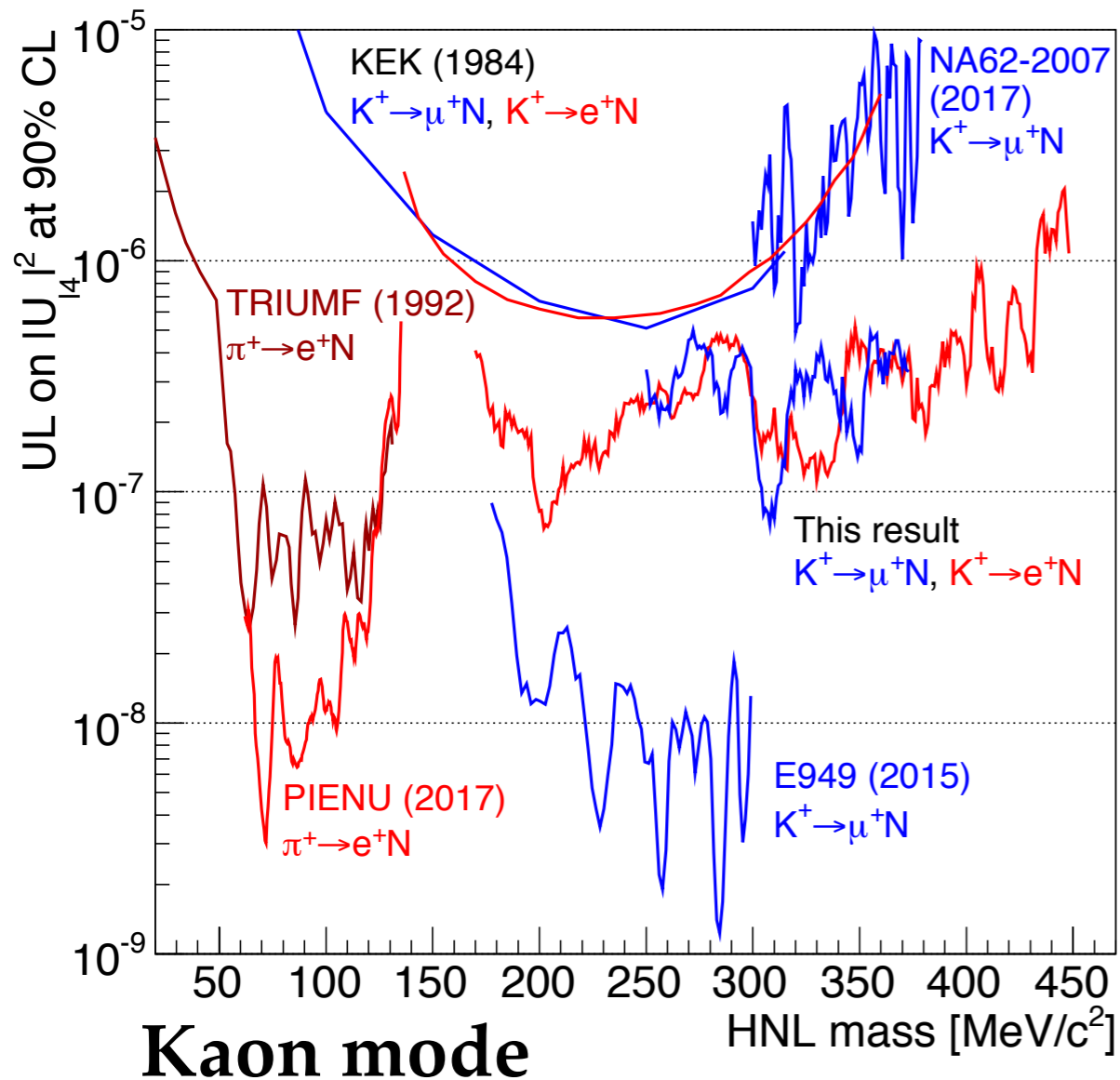
MATHUSLA

MAssive Timing Hodoscope for Ultra-Stable Neutral L Particles

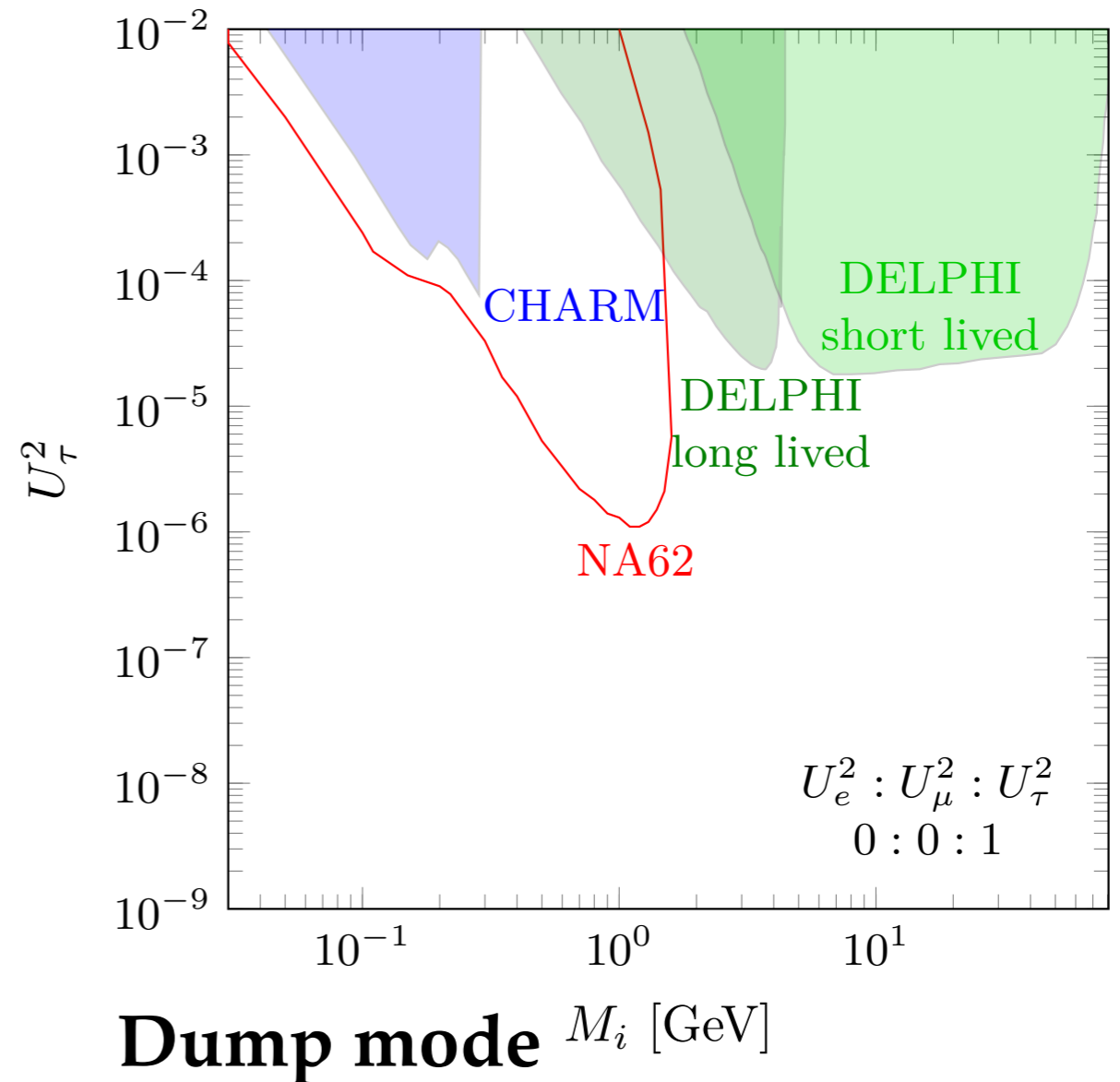


Beyond Colliders: Fixed Target

Example: Heavy neutrino searches with NA62



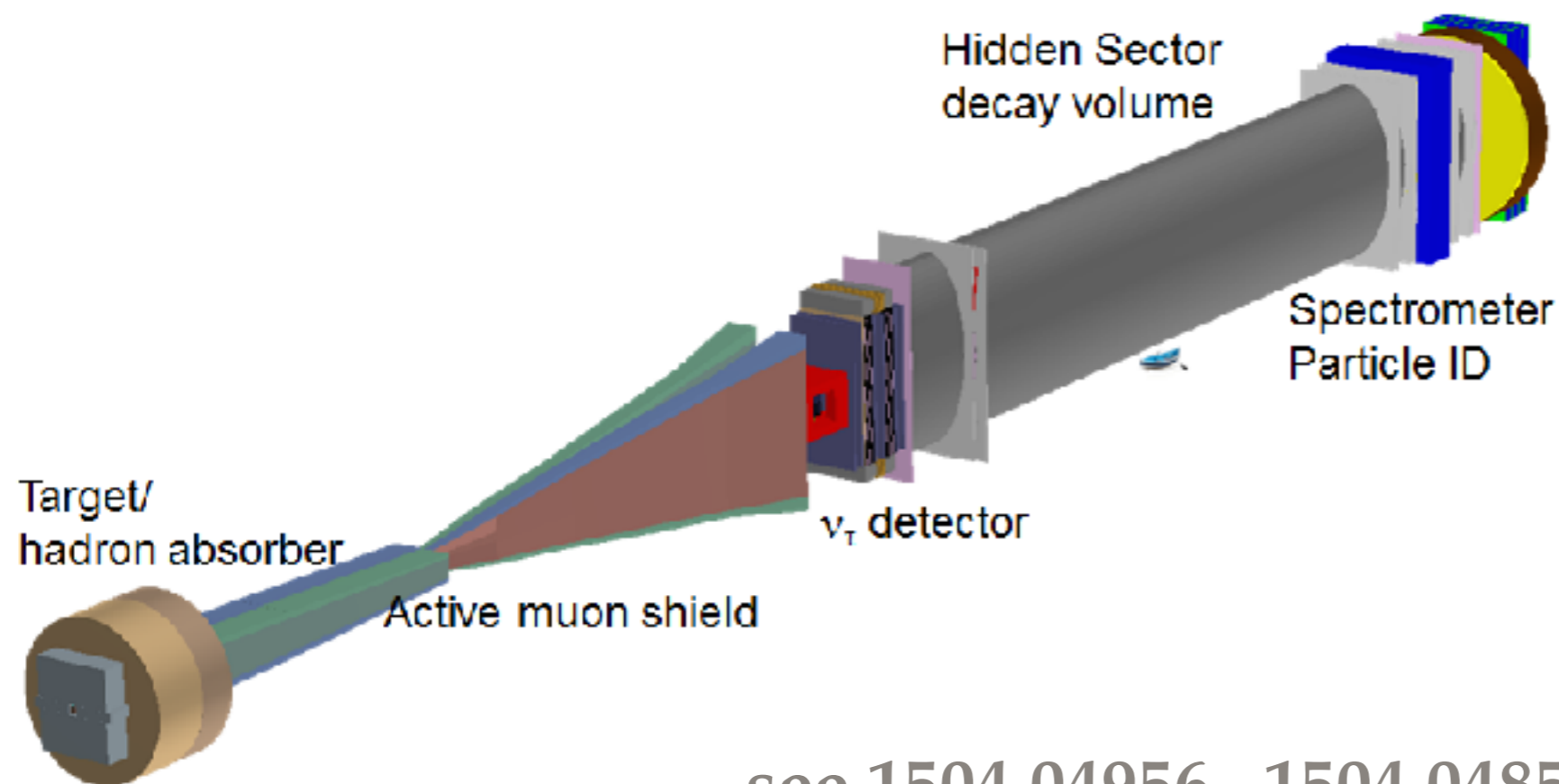
Cortina-Gil et al [1712.00297](#)



MaD / Hajer / Klaric / Lafranchi [1801.04207](#)

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The SHiP Proposal



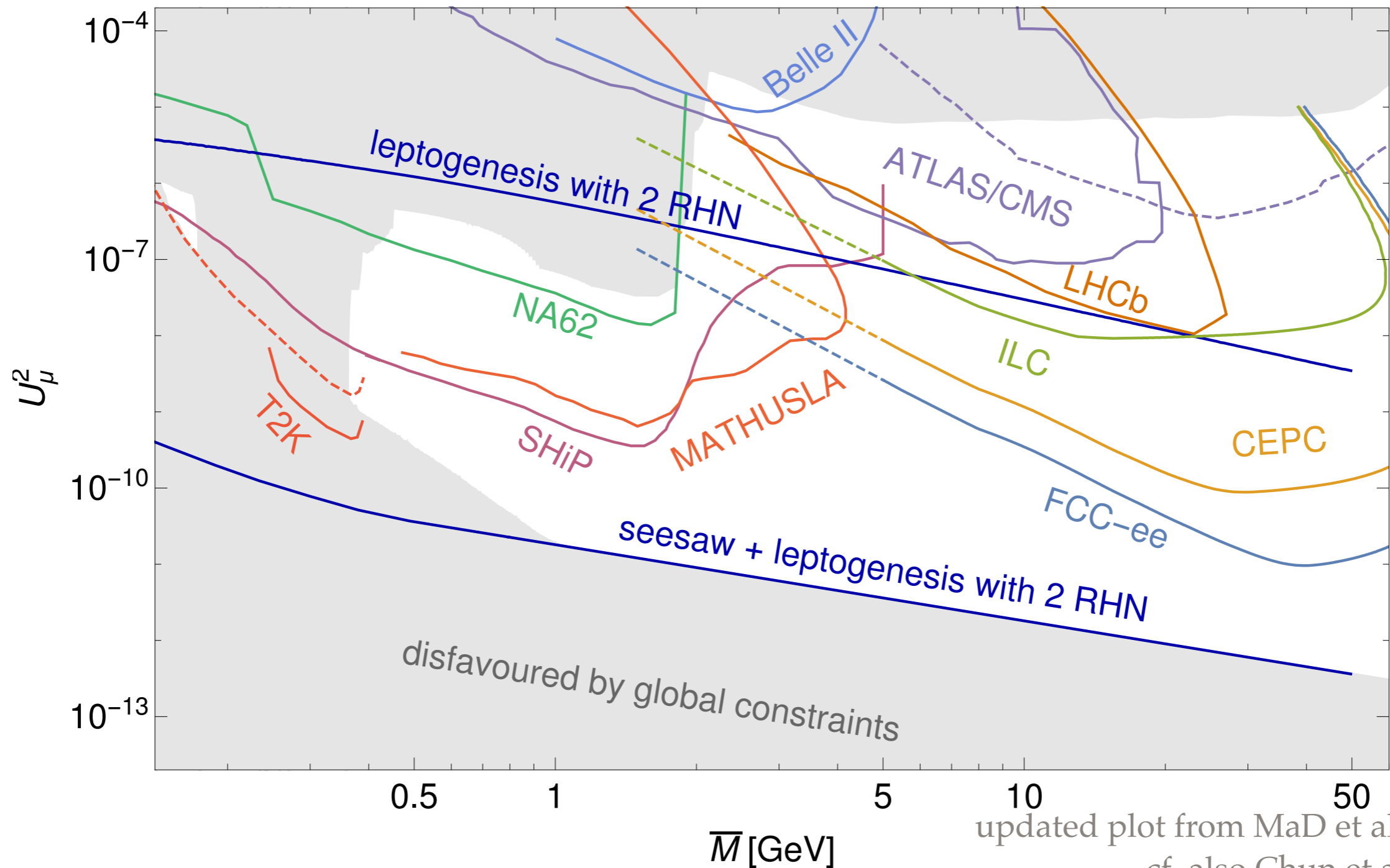
see [1504.04956](#) , [1504.04855](#)

Search for Hidden Particles

- new fixed target experiment using SPS beam with 10^{20} protons on target
- would be world's most sensitive fixed target experiment
- see https://indico.cern.ch/event/792346/contributions/3442749/attachments/1852329/3041310/Mermod_LHCLLP_May19.pdf

Complementarity

Example: Heavy neutrino searches in the ν MSM



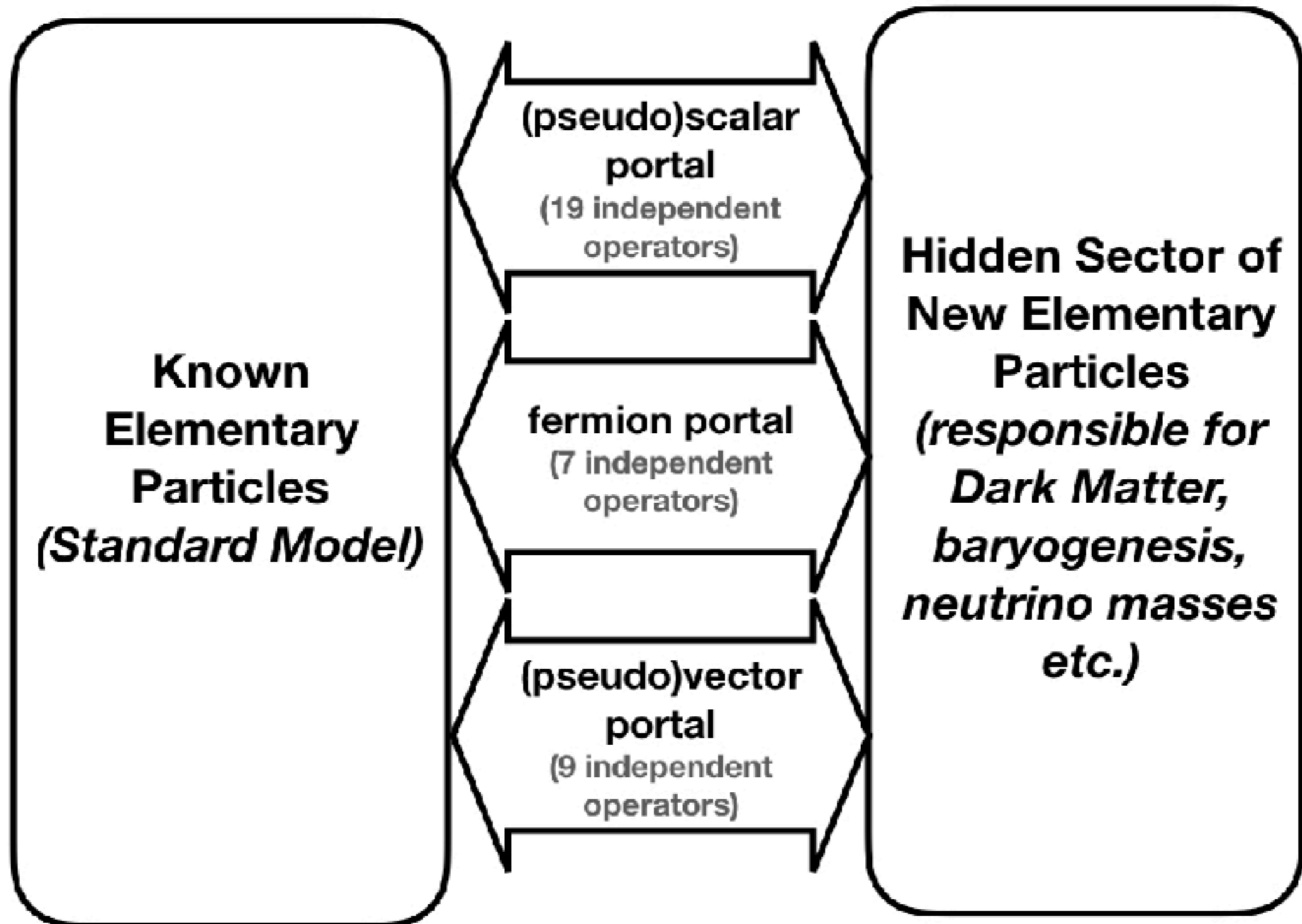
updated plot from MaD et al [1609.09069](#),
cf. also Chun et al [1711.02865](#)

Summary

- **LHC still has great potential to discover new particles!**
- **Cosmology provides valuable input**
(DM clustering, BBN, neutrino masses, baryogenesis, phase transitions, gravitational waves, light inflaton, ...)
- **Non-collider experiments are complementary to LHC**
- **There is room for crazy ideas!**

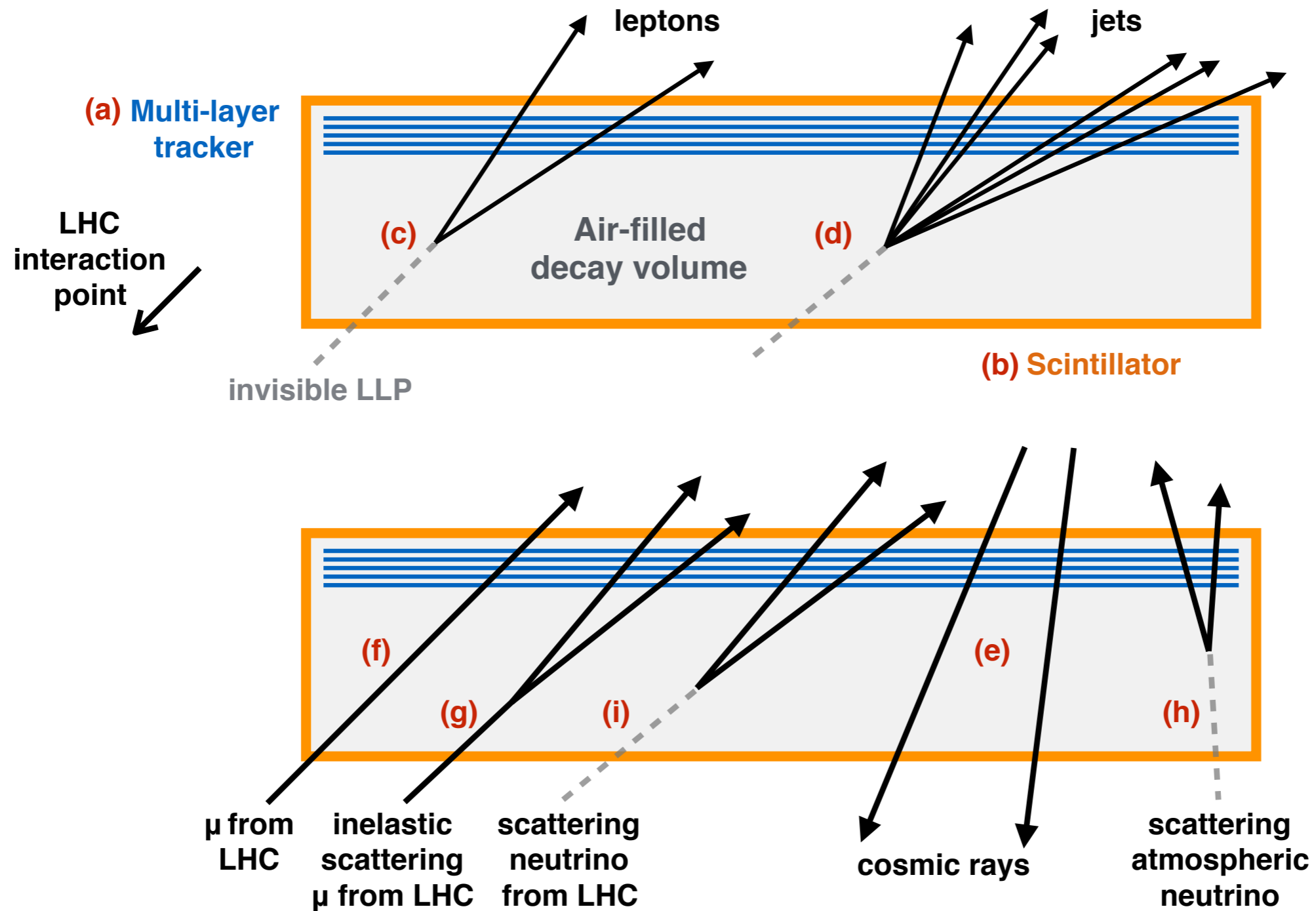
Backup Slides

Portals to Hidden Sectors

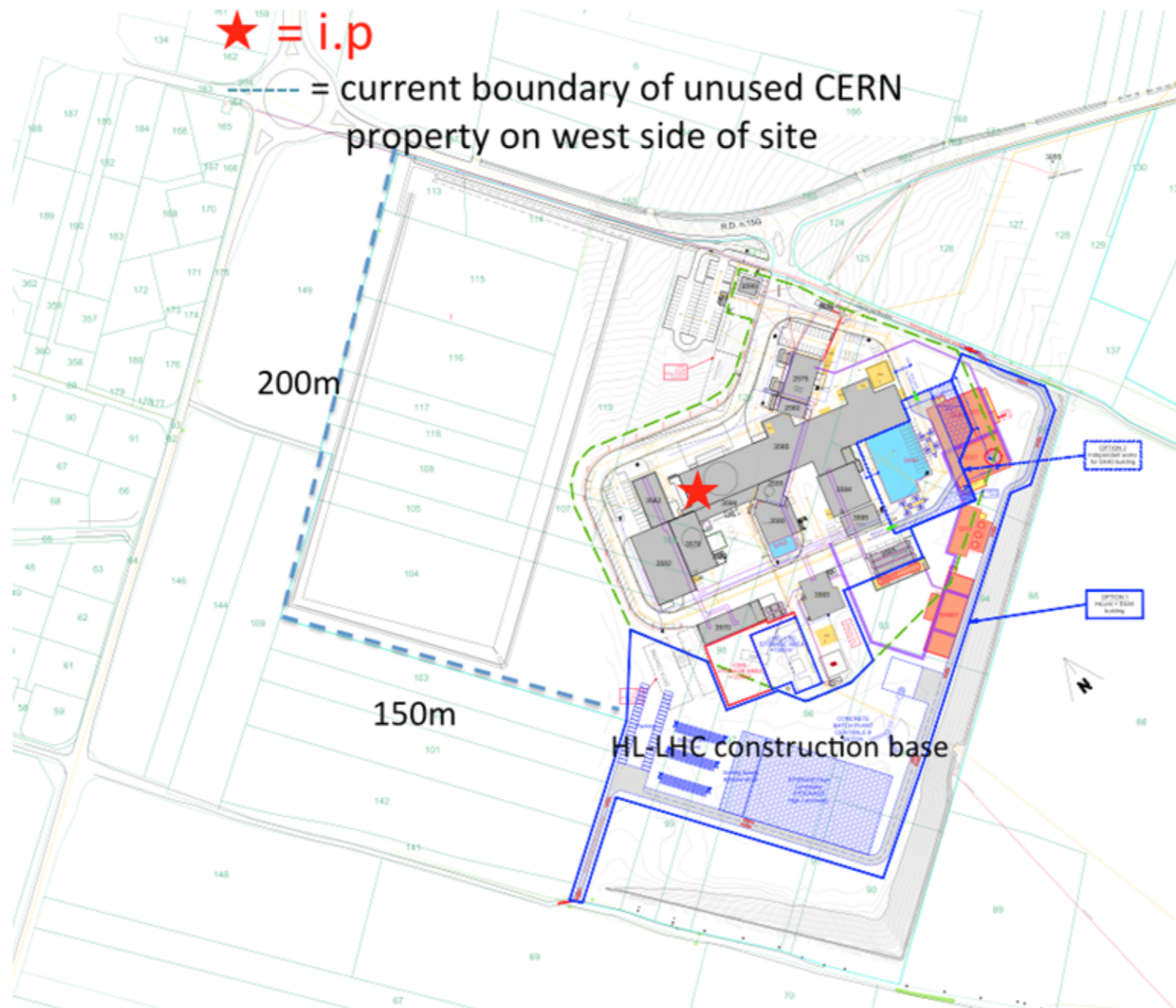


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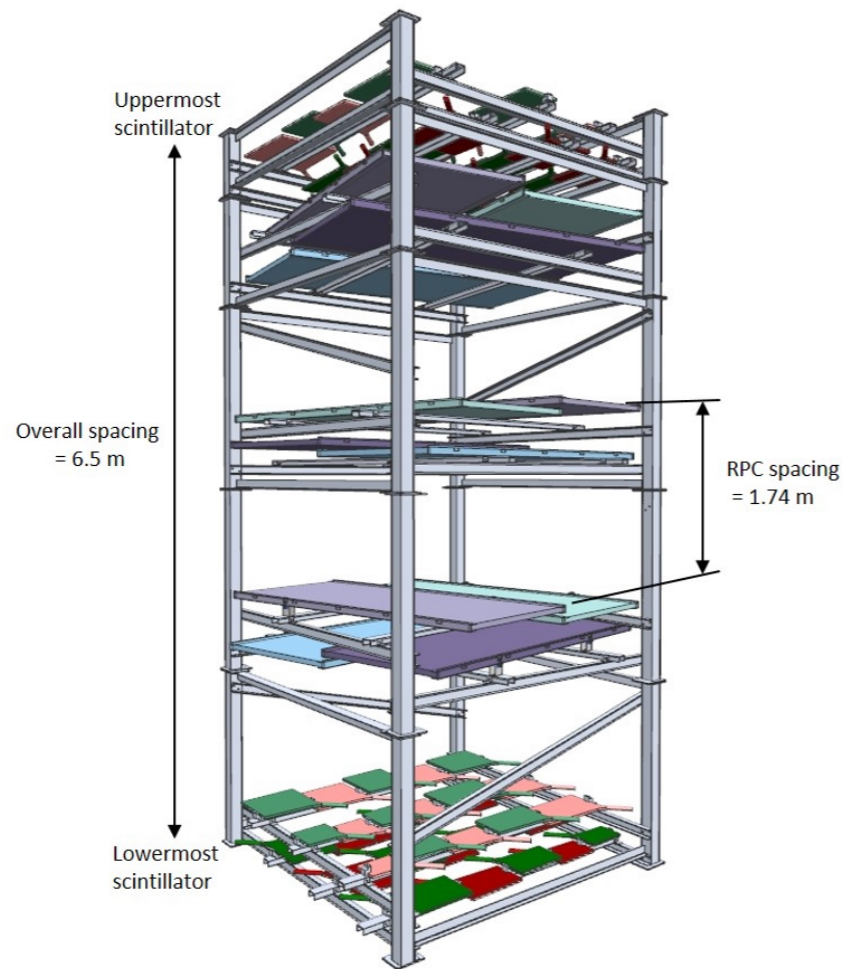
Schematic Design



Where to put this?



MATHUSLA Test Stand



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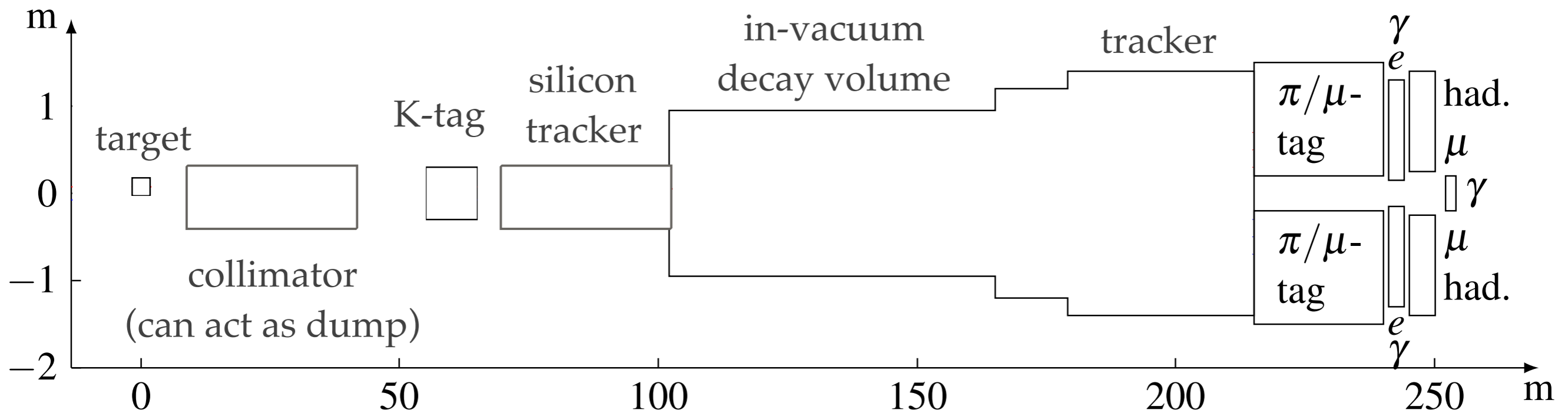


(b)

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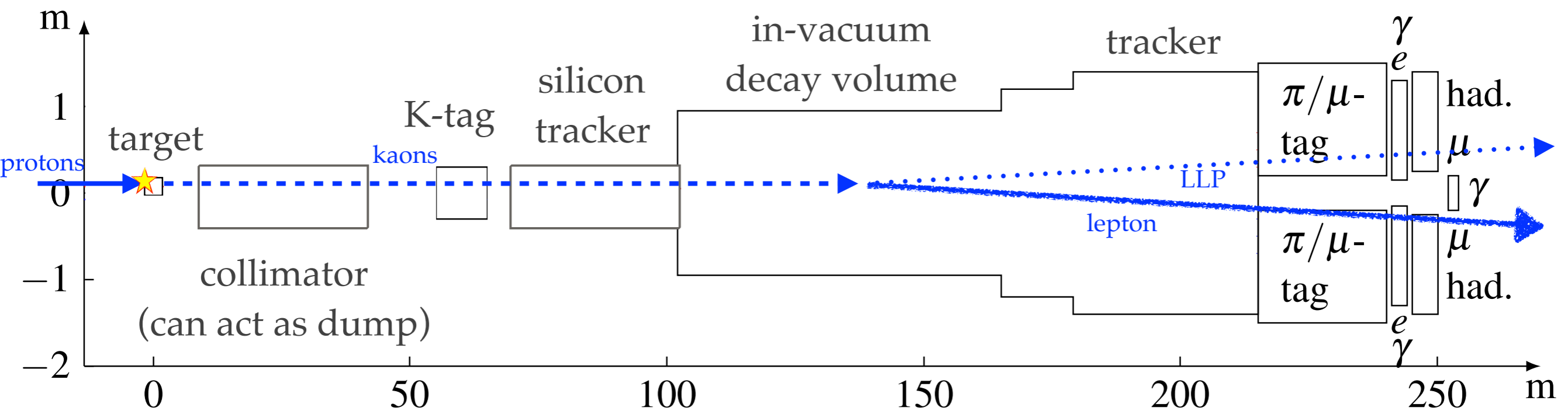
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The NA62 Experiment



- **fixed target experiment in CERN's North Area**
- **primary purpose: measure kaon decay into pion + neutrino + antineutrino**

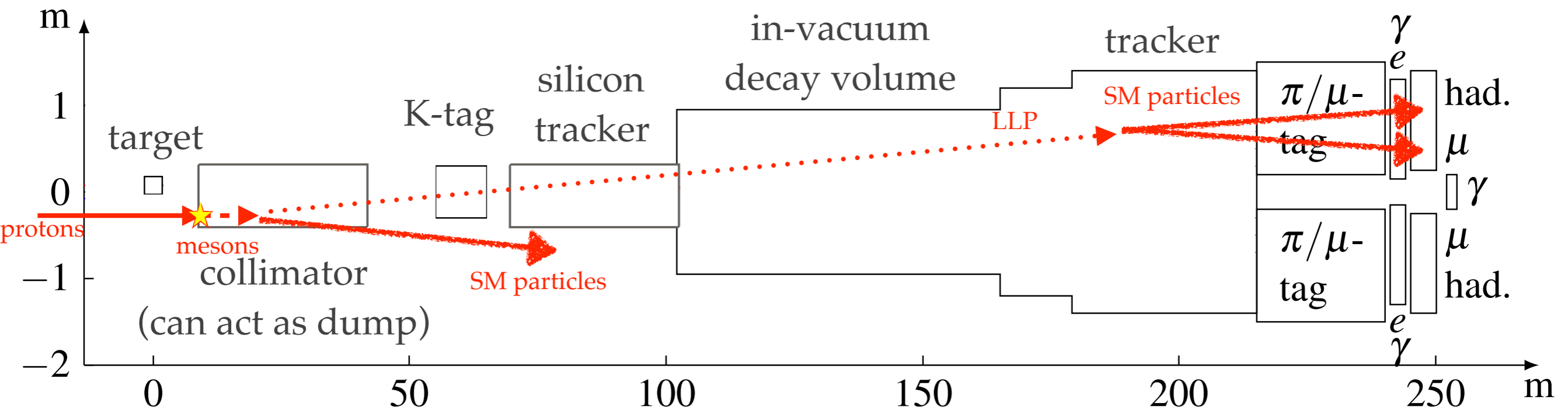
NA62 Kaon Mode



Target Mode: cf. [1712.00297](#) for recent results

- protons hit target \Rightarrow produce 75 GeV beam hadrons, leptons
- tag kaons
- kaons decay into HNL + lepton in the in-vacuum decay volume
 \Rightarrow search for peak in lepton spectrum

NA62 Dump Mode



Dump mode

- target removed, protons hit collimator \Rightarrow produce mesons, leptons
- mesons / tauons decay into HNL + SM particles
- HNL pass all components and decay in the in-vacuum decay volume \Rightarrow search for decay nothing \rightarrow leptons/hadrons in vacuum chamber

Baryogenesis

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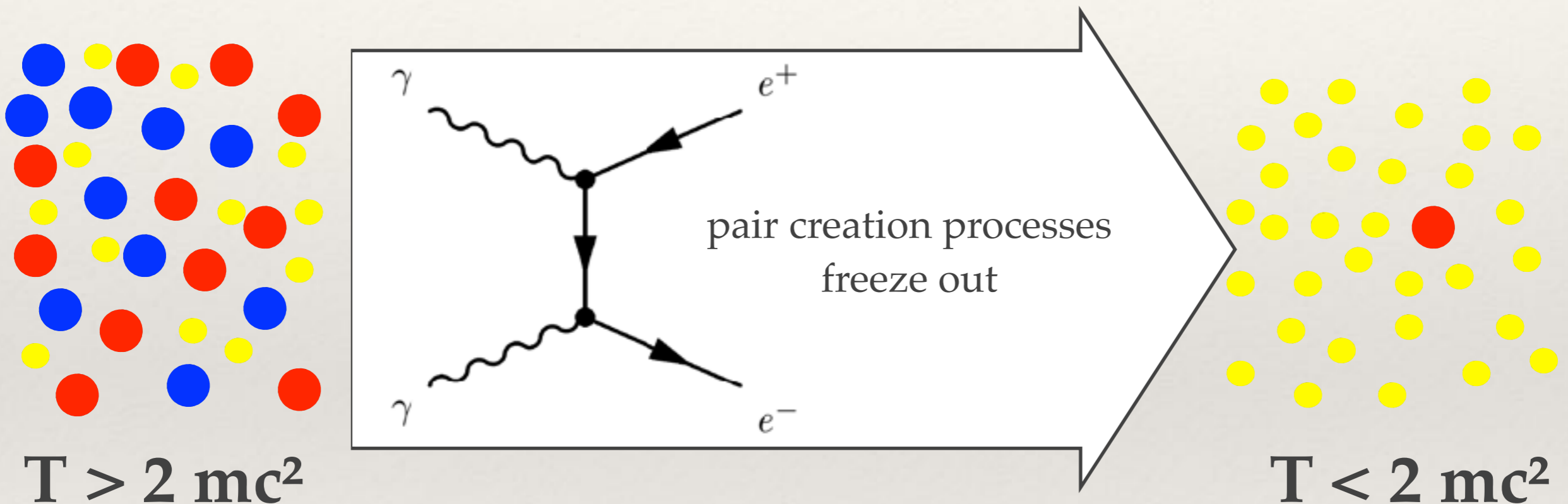
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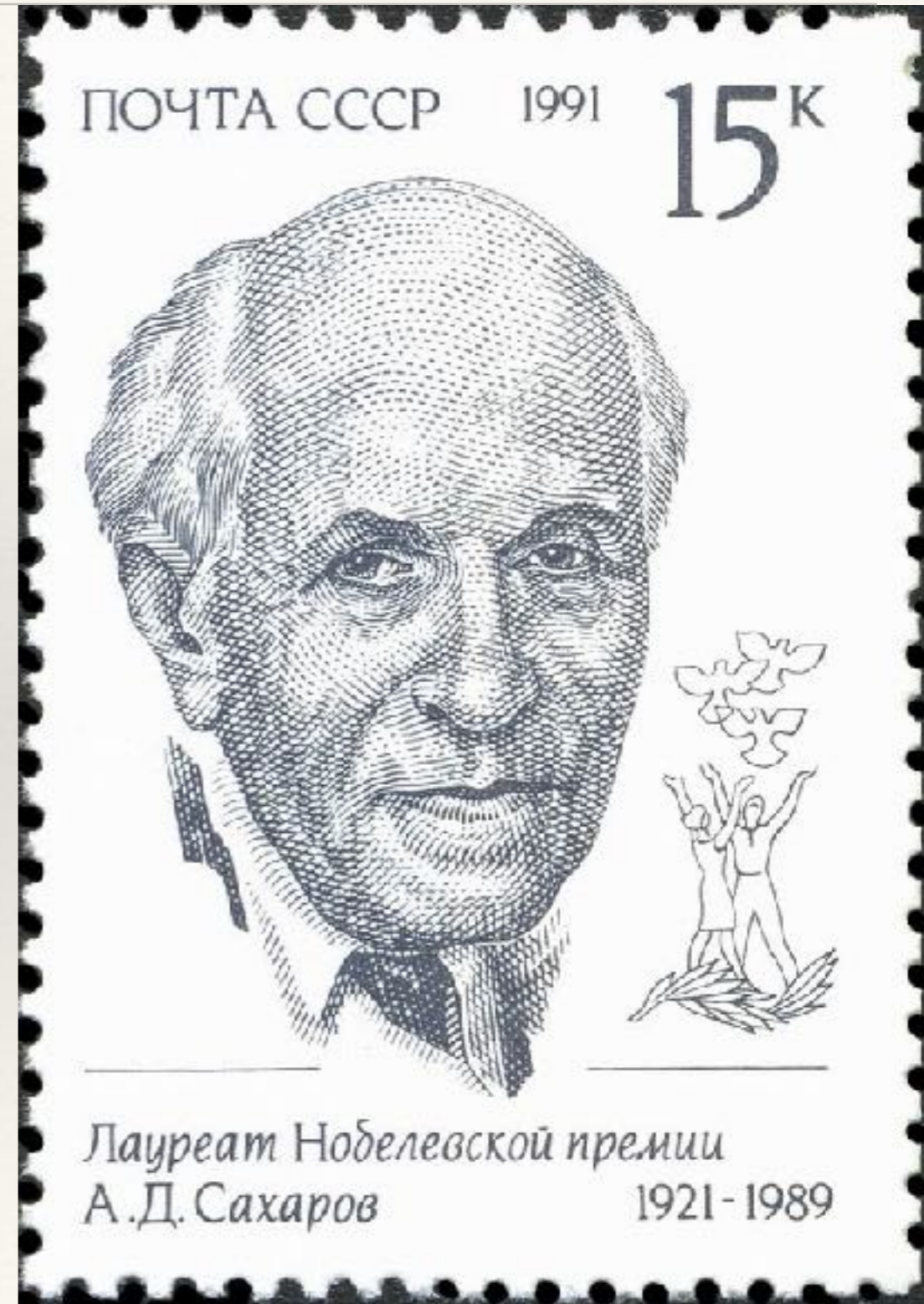
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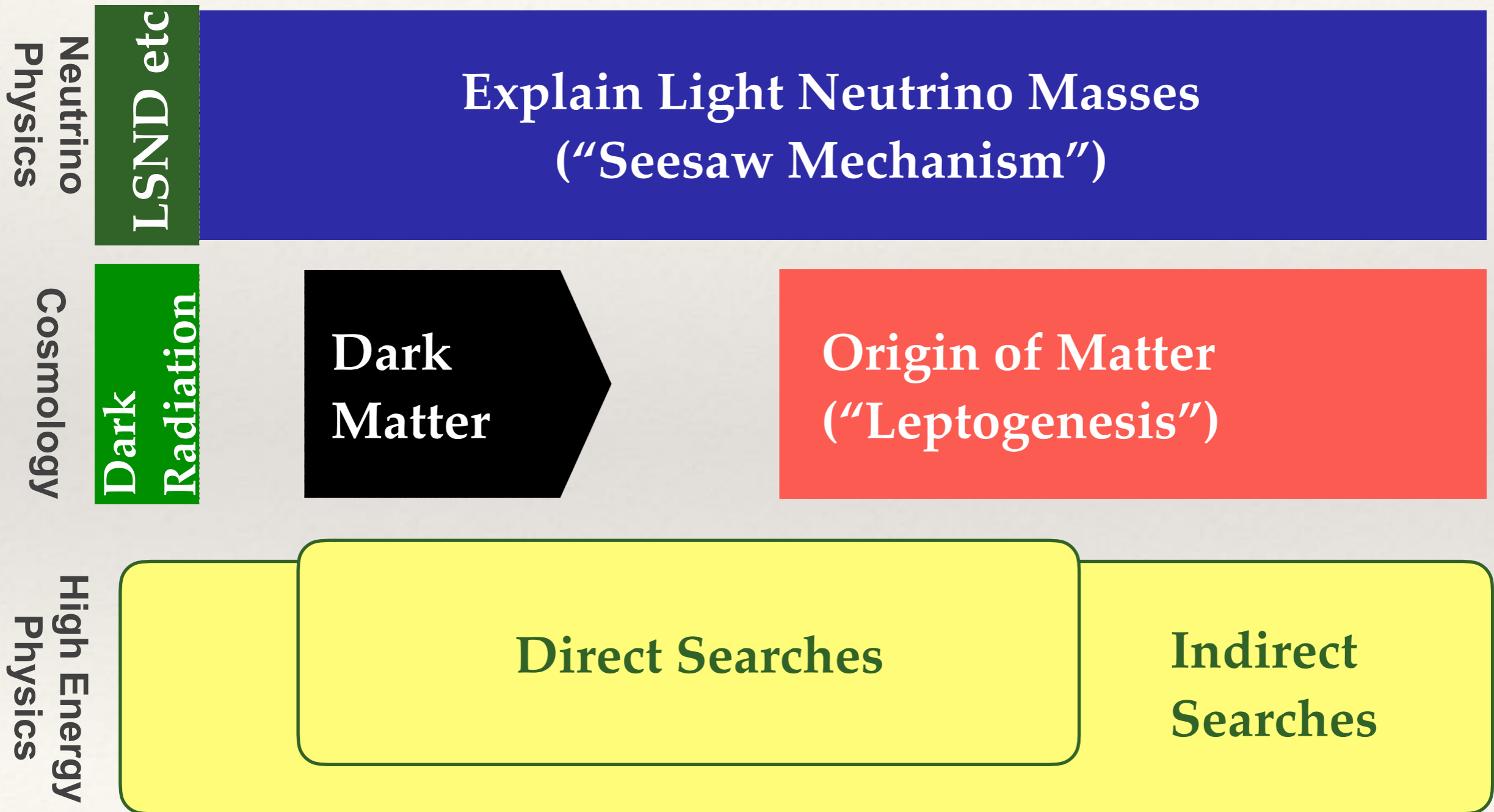
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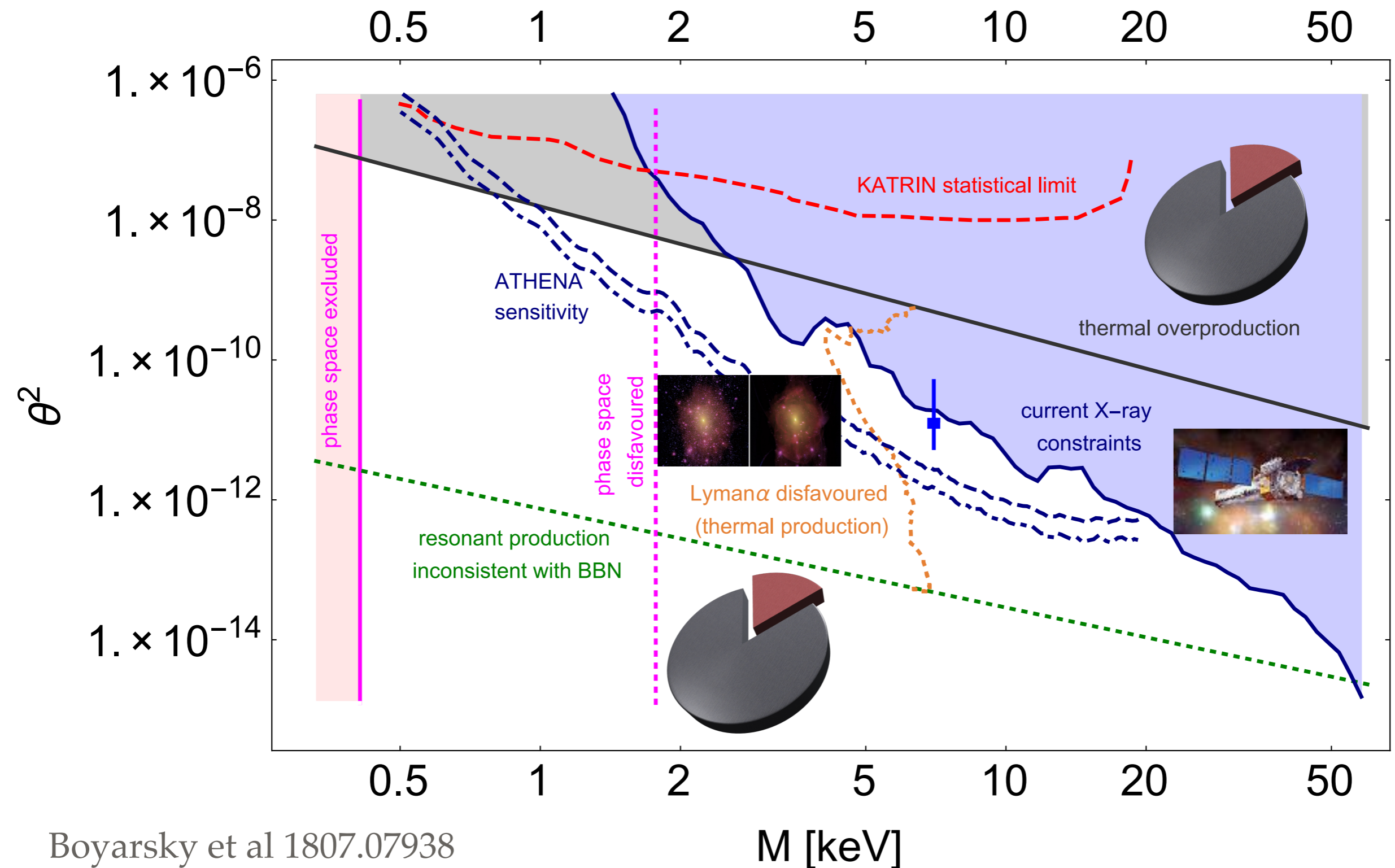
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Heavy Neutrinos

Right Handed Neutrino Mass Scale



Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter



A Multi-Frontier Problem

