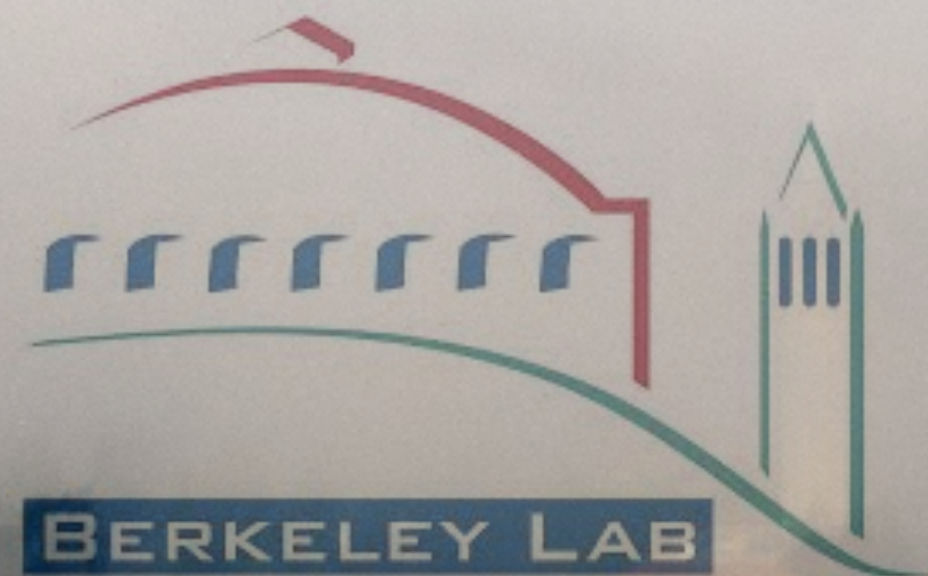


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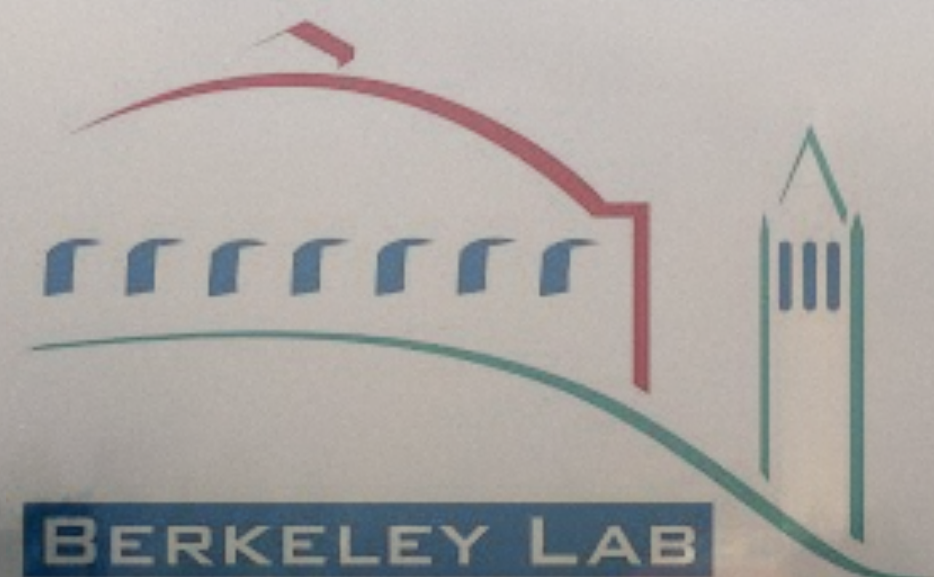
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Effective Field Theory and Lattice QCD for Fundamental Nuclear Physics Research

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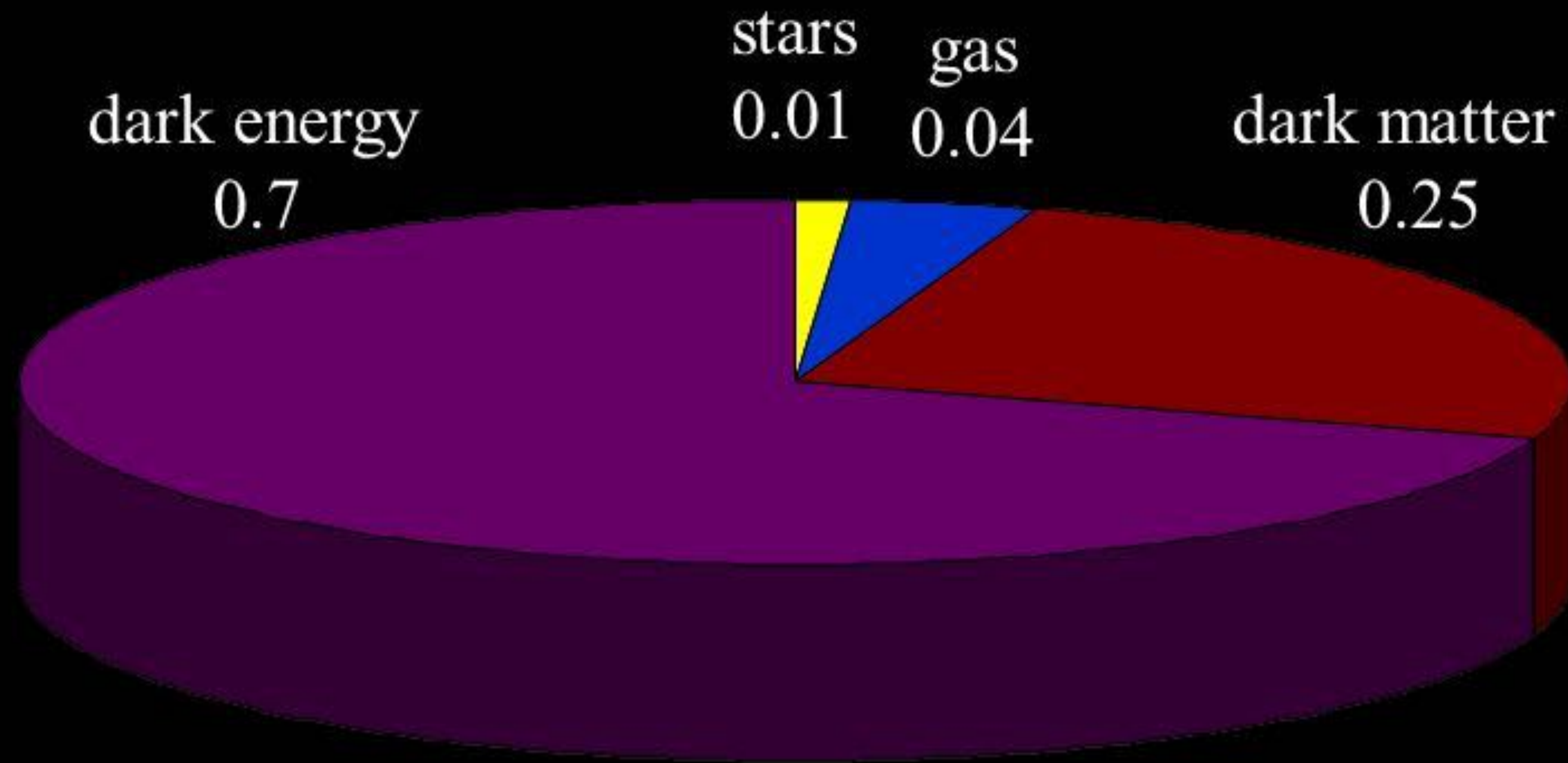
This Talk

- What are the driving science questions we are trying to understand?
- Why is it challenging to apply LQCD to nucleons and nuclei?
- Why is this an exciting time to use LQCD for basic physics?

Science Drivers

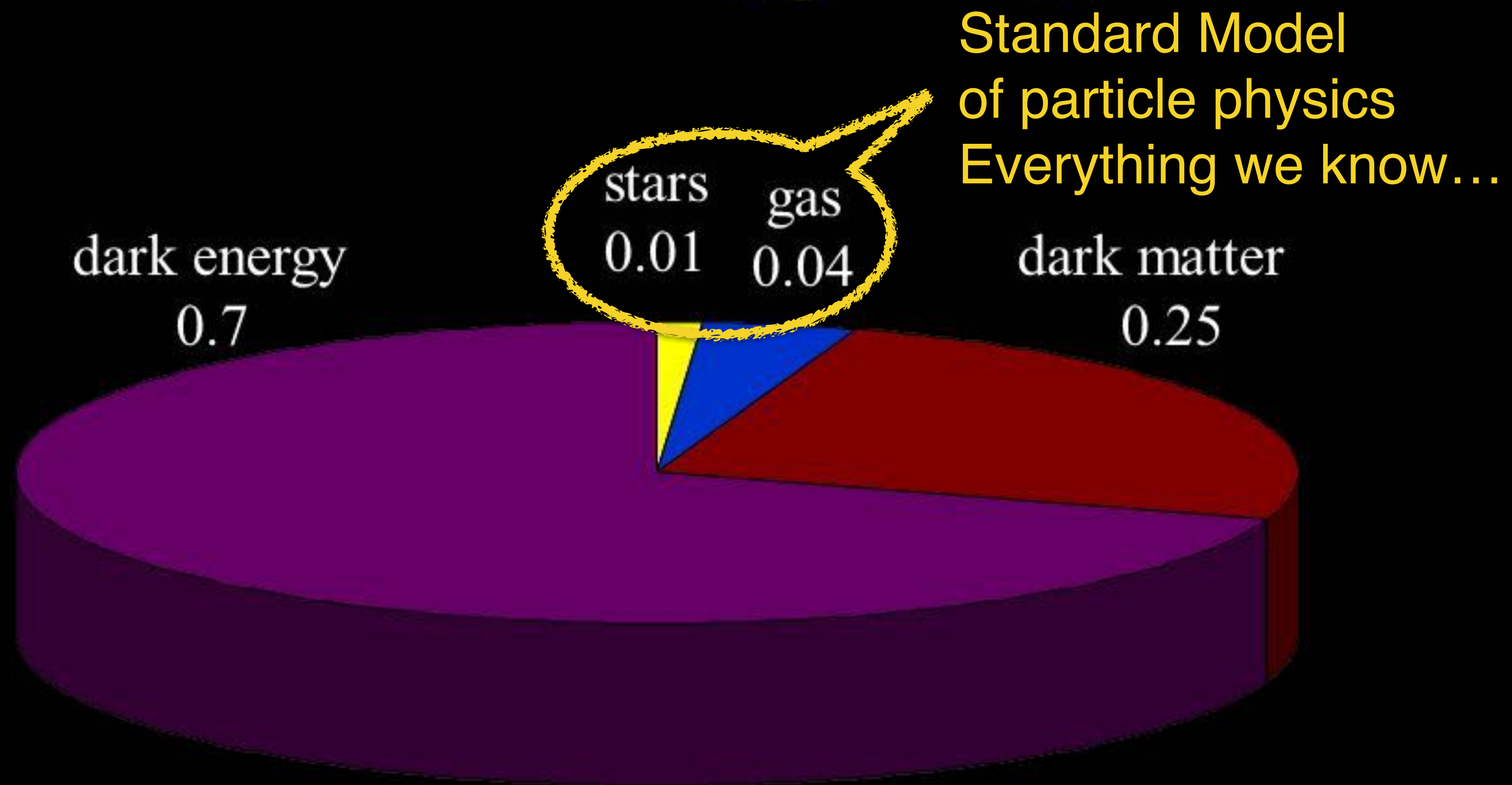
- Understanding the emergence of nuclear physics from QCD and the electroweak interactions of the Standard Model (SM)
 - How finely tuned is the universe we live in?
 - Mn-Mp, Bd, triple alpha process, ...
 - What is the pp fusion rate in the sun?
 - What is the strength of the three-neutron force?
 - ...
- Testing the SM and its Fundamental Symmetries at low energies in nuclear environments (nuclei)
 - Why is the universe composed of matter?
 - neutrinoless double beta decay ($0\nu\beta\beta$), permanent electric dipole moments (EDMs)
 - Does Dark Matter interact with matter other than gravitationally?
 - ...

cosmic mass/energy budget



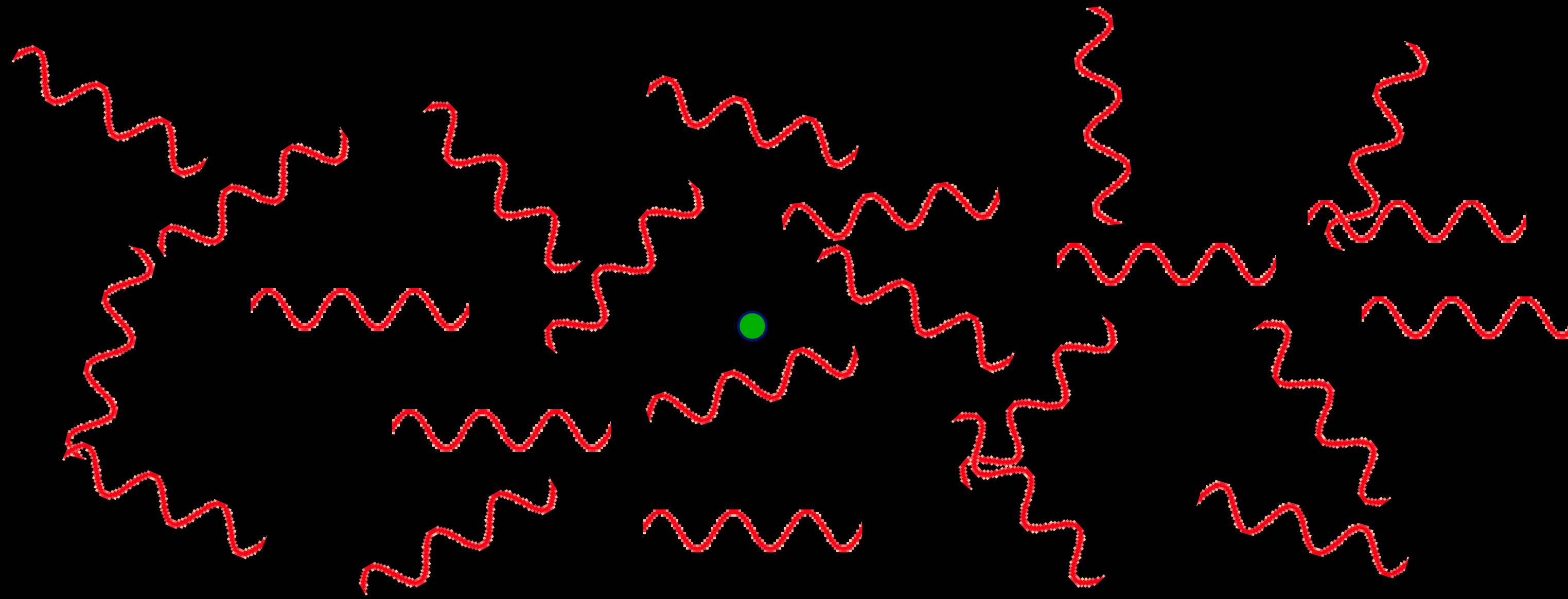
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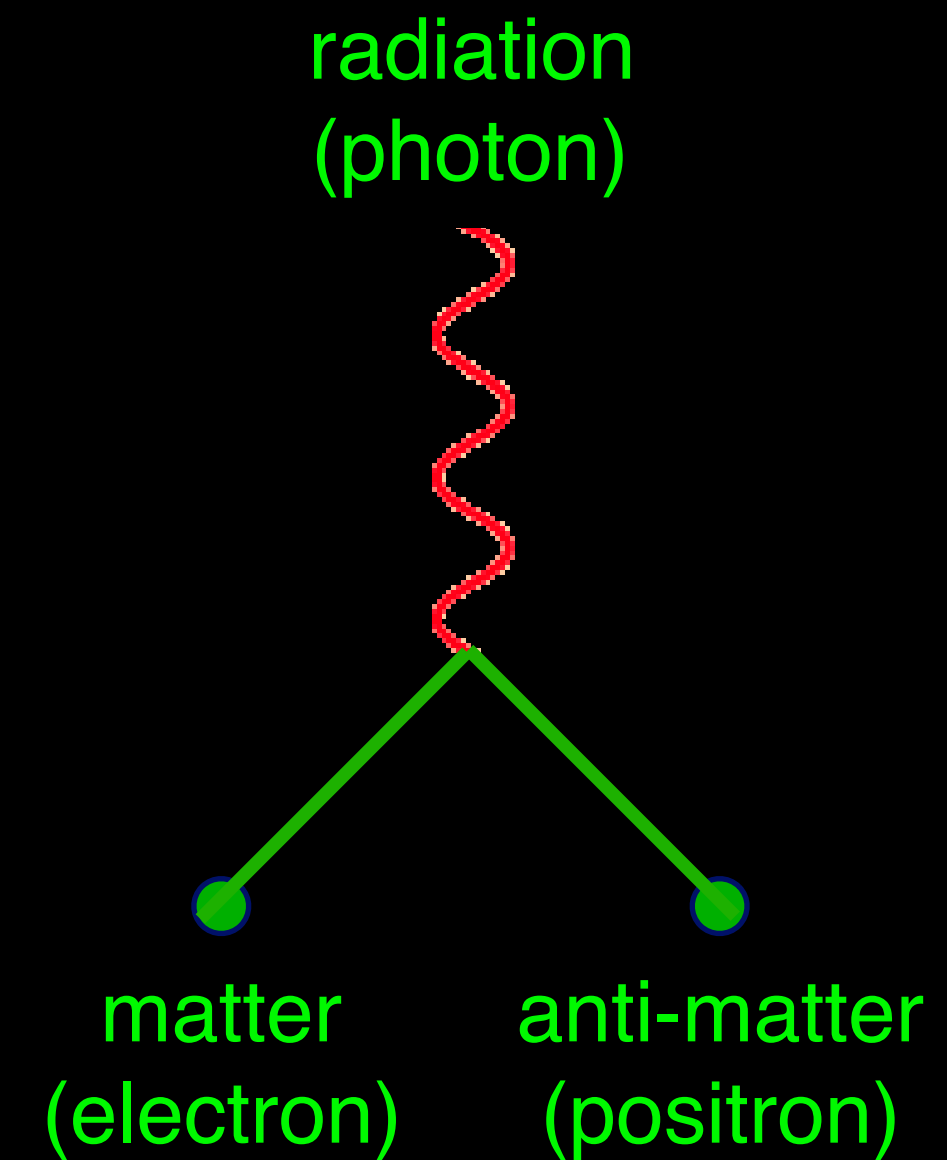
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To the best of our knowledge, the Standard Model matter in the Universe is comprised entirely of matter and not anti-matter

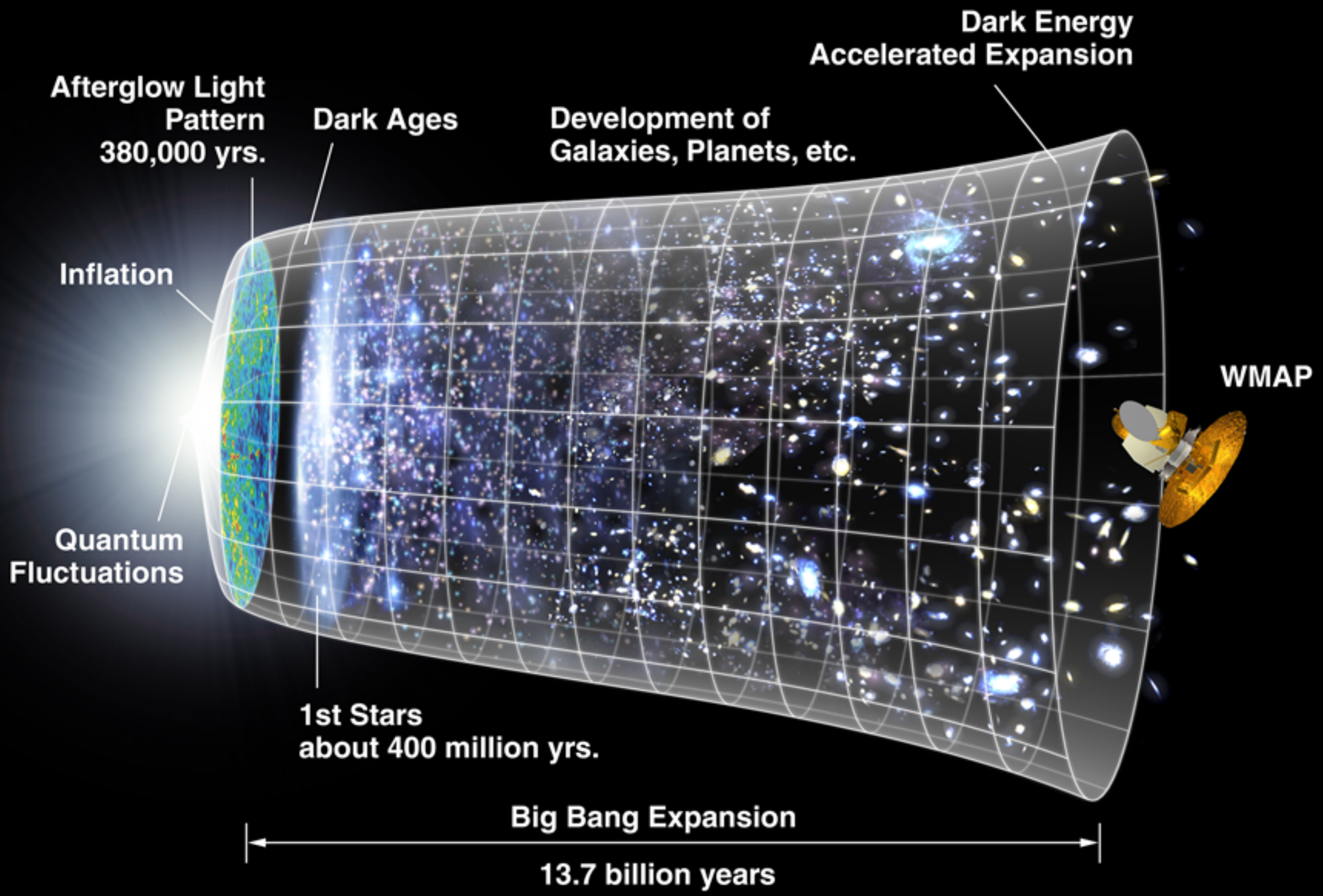


We observe there are more protons than anti-protons in the universe by an amount of roughly

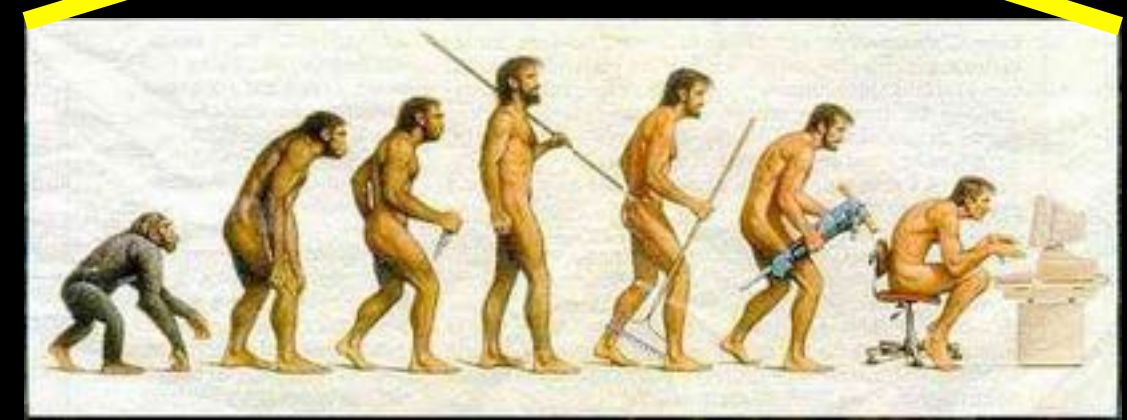
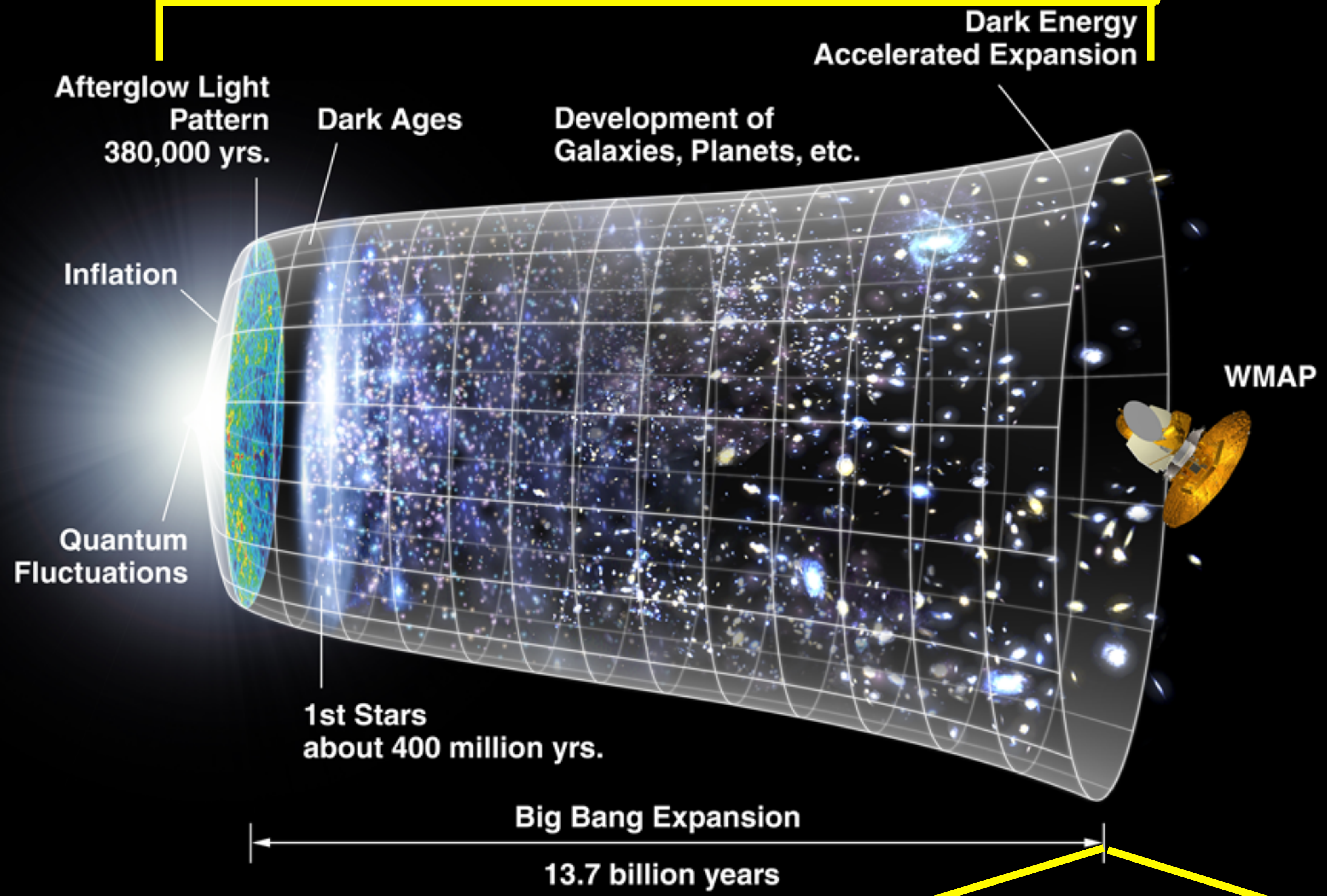
$$\frac{N_{proton} - N_{anti-proton}}{N_{photon}} \simeq 10^{-9}$$

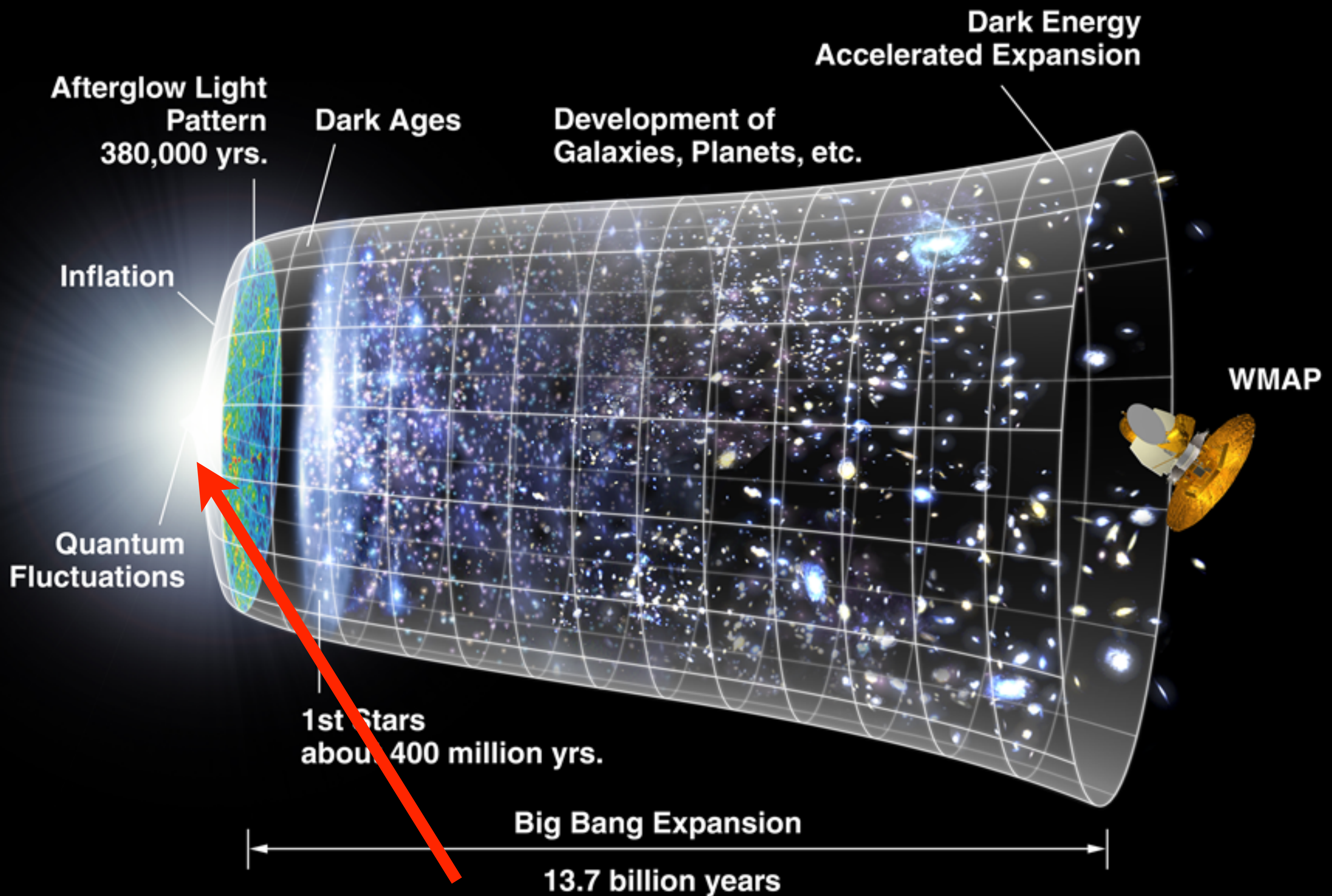


While tiny, this is still **10,000** times **or more** greater than we would predict with the Standard Model - why is there so much matter in the universe?

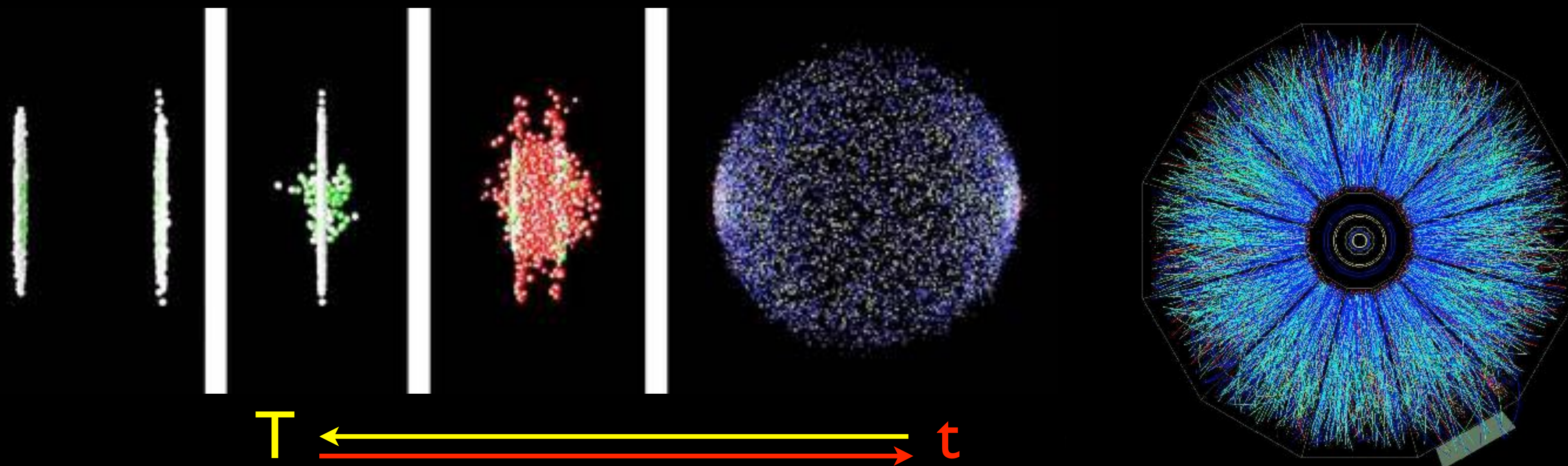


Standard Model of Particle Physics

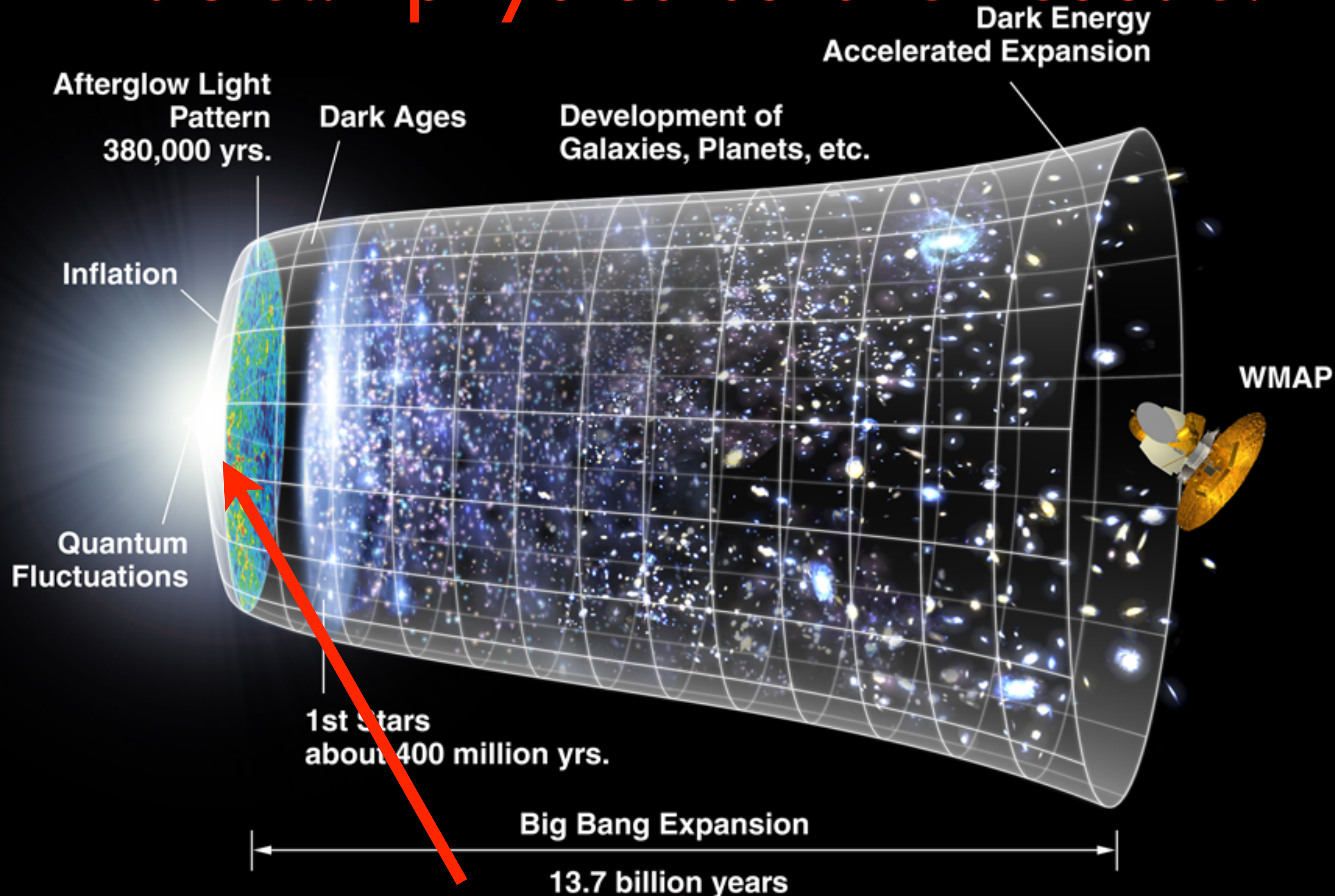




Formation of Matter
 $T \approx 1 \text{ trillion K } (10^{12} \text{ K})$
 $t \approx 30 \text{ micro seconds } (3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s})$



Nuclear physics to the rescue!

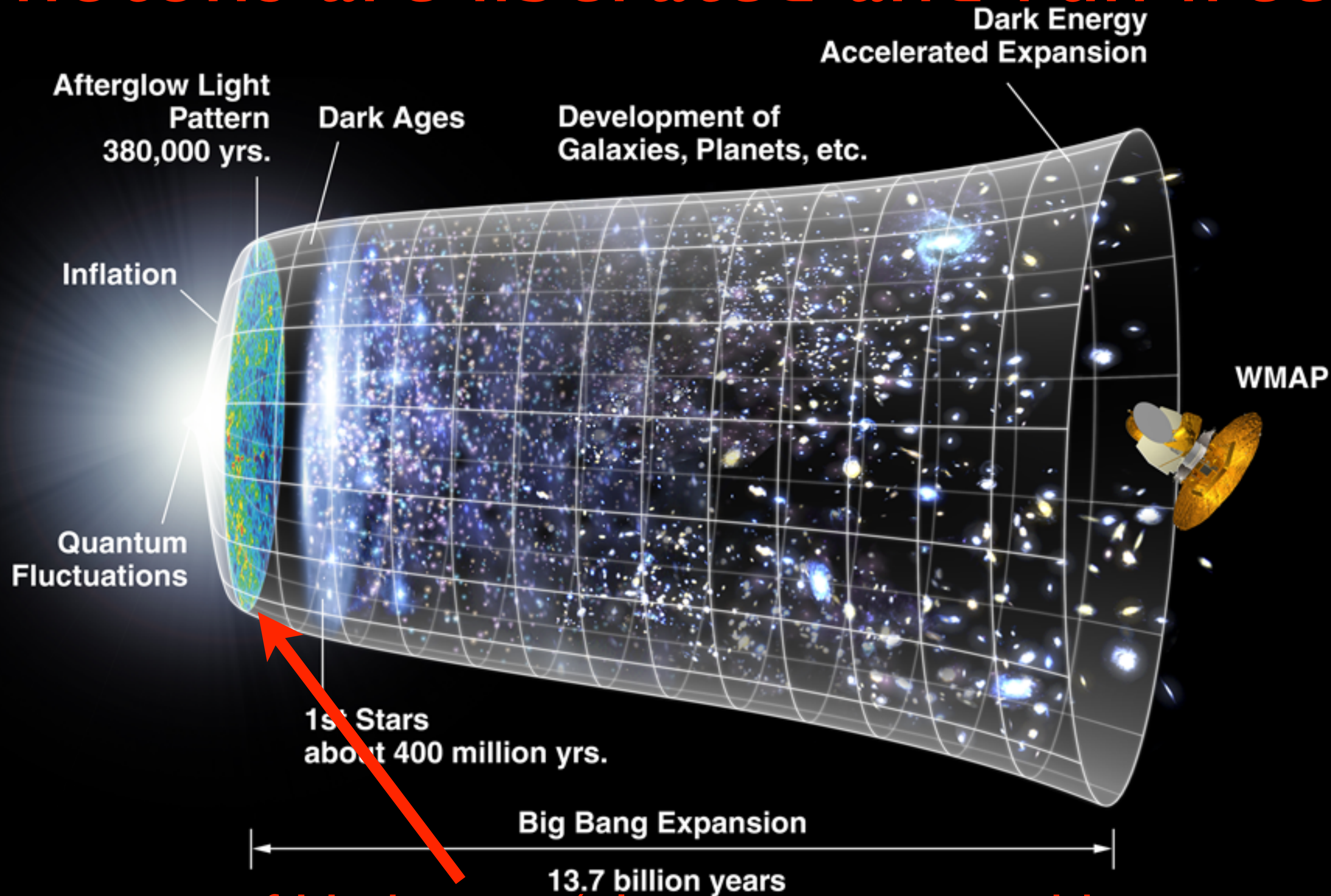


Formation of light nuclei

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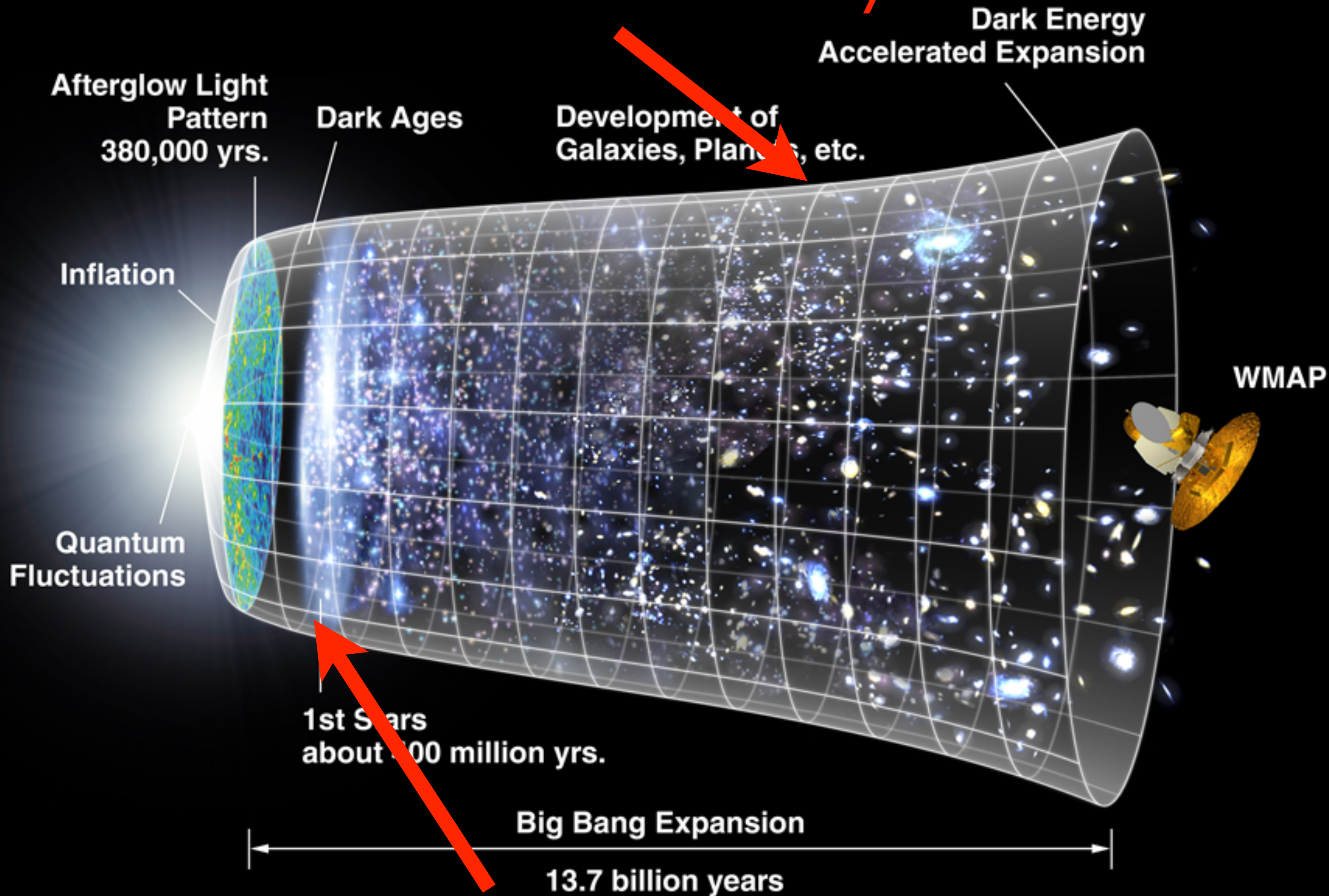
Photons are liberated and run free!



Formation of Hydrogen (electrons captured by protons)

$$T \approx 4,000 \text{ K}$$
$$t \approx 380,000 \text{ years}$$

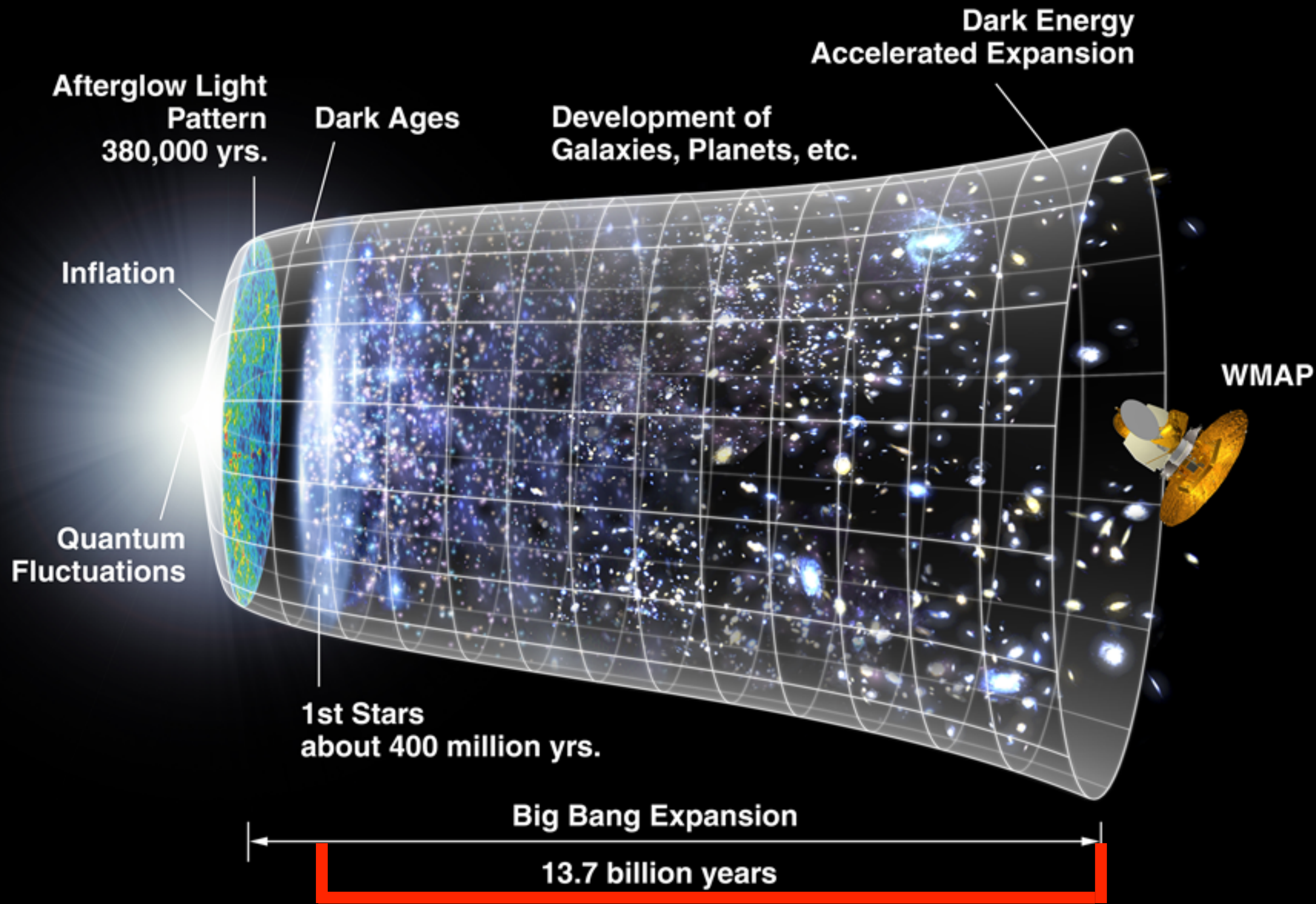
Formation of our solar system



Formation of first stars

$$T \approx 20 \text{ K}$$

$$t \approx 200 \text{ Million years}$$



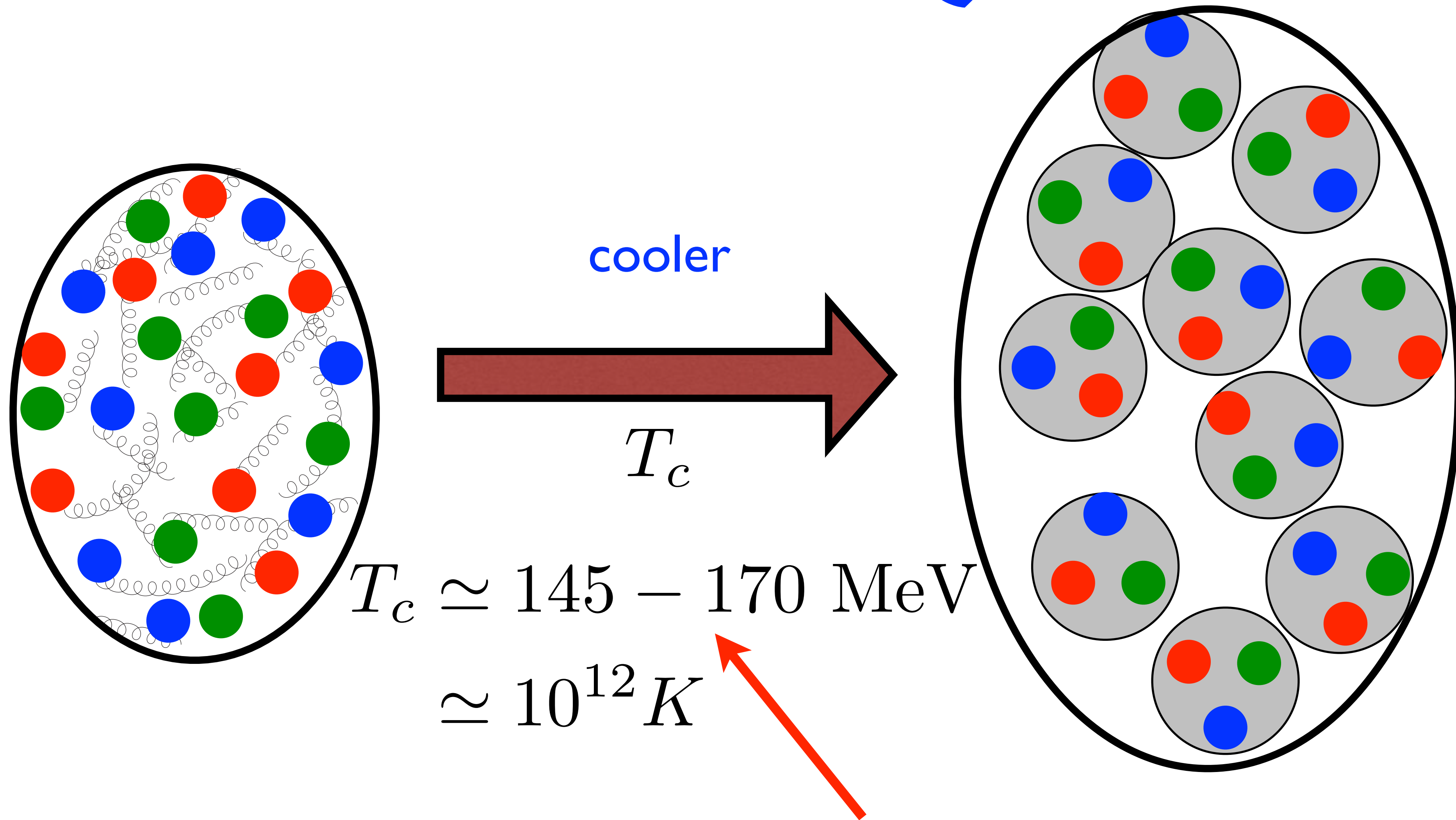
Death of stars, creation of heavy nuclei and *life*,
creation of new, *ultradense* states of nuclear matter

From Quarks to Protons and Neutrons

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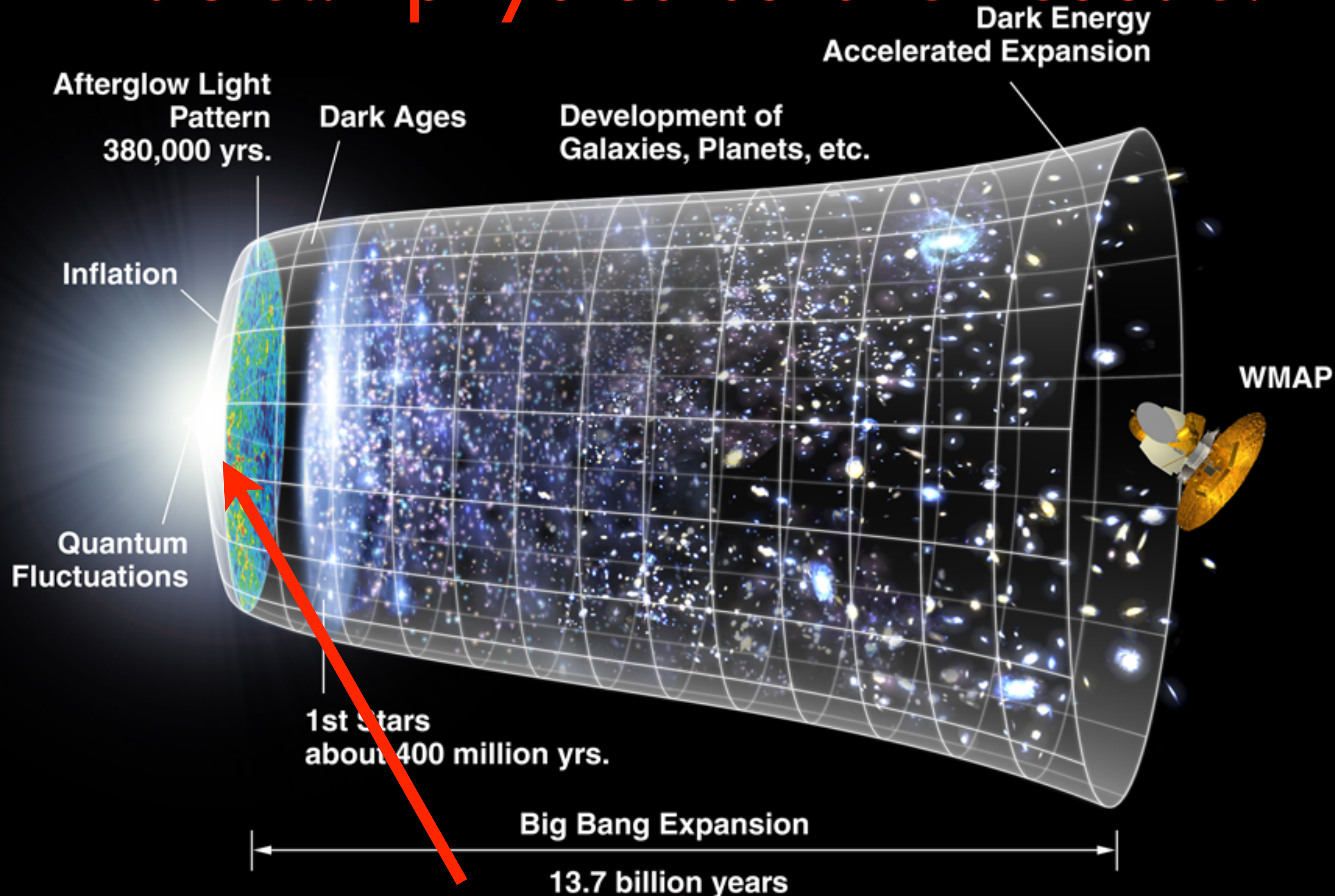
Confinement of Quarks



computed by **Budapest-Wuppertal** and **hot-QCD Lattice Collaborations** with previous generation supercomputers

See lectures by Peter Petreczky

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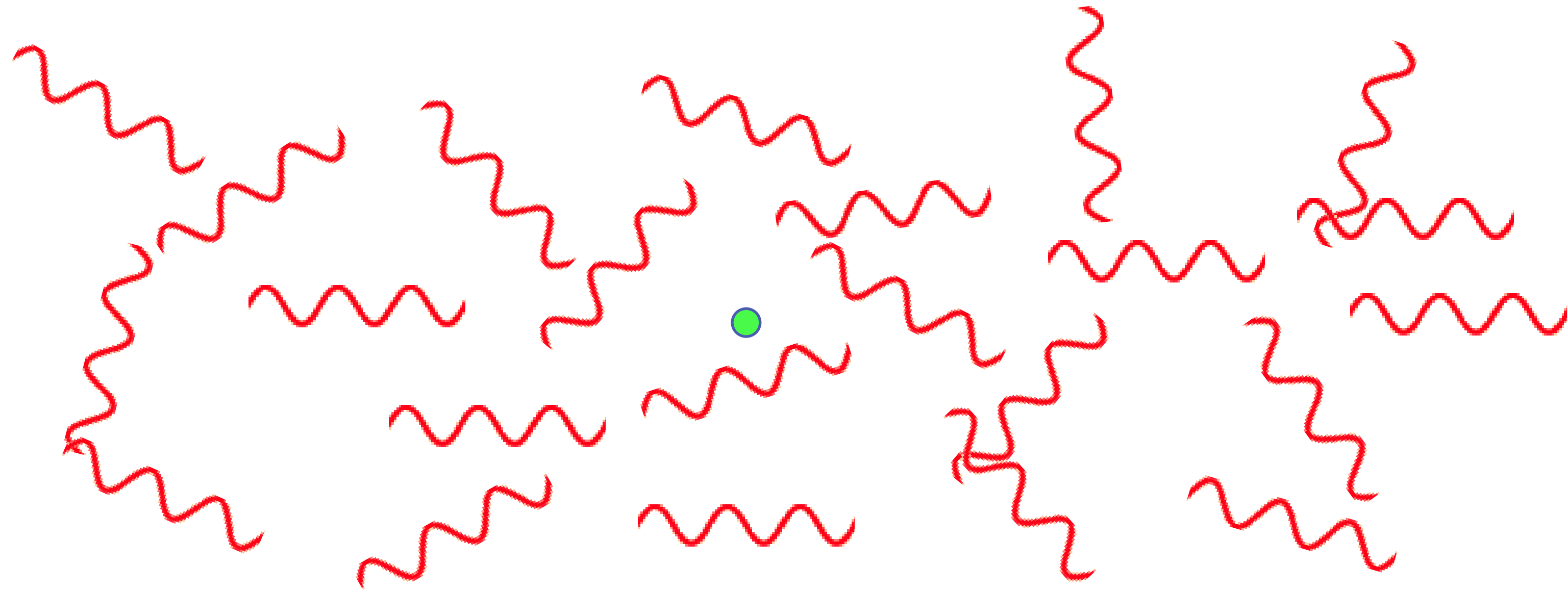
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Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

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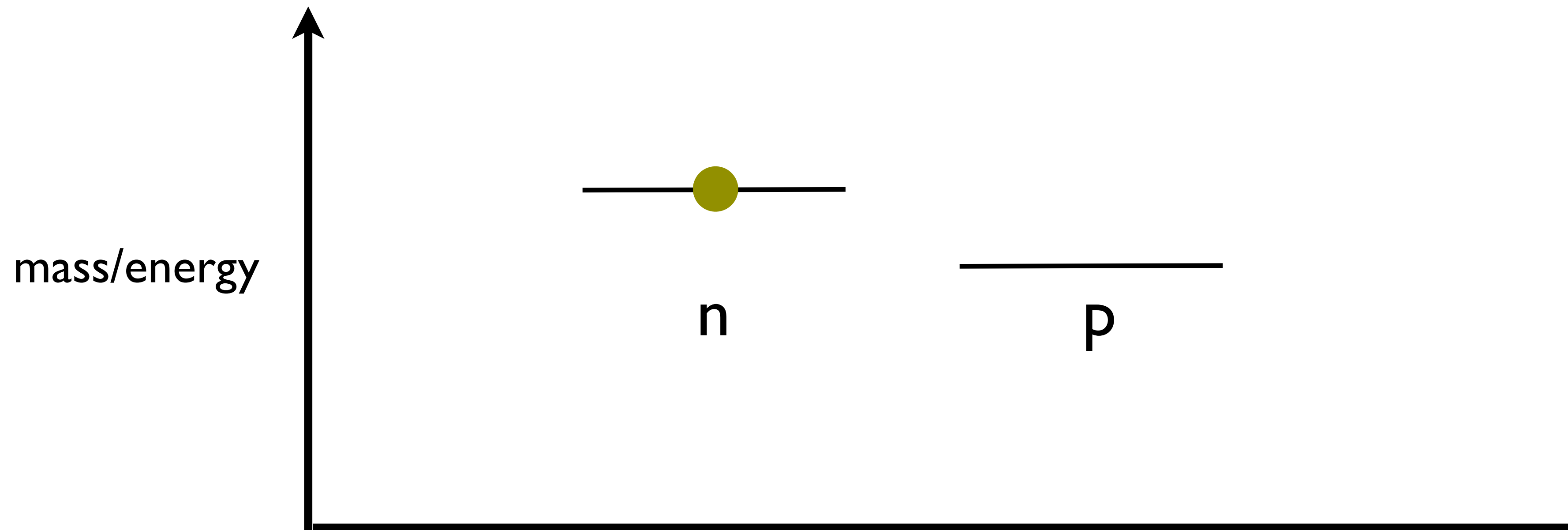
$t \simeq 3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ s} \rightarrow 3 \text{ min}$

Our initial condition is a soup of radiation plus a small excess amount of matter, in the form of protons, neutrons, electrons and photons



$$\eta_B/\gamma \sim 10^{-9}$$

when systems cool, they settle into the lowest energy state

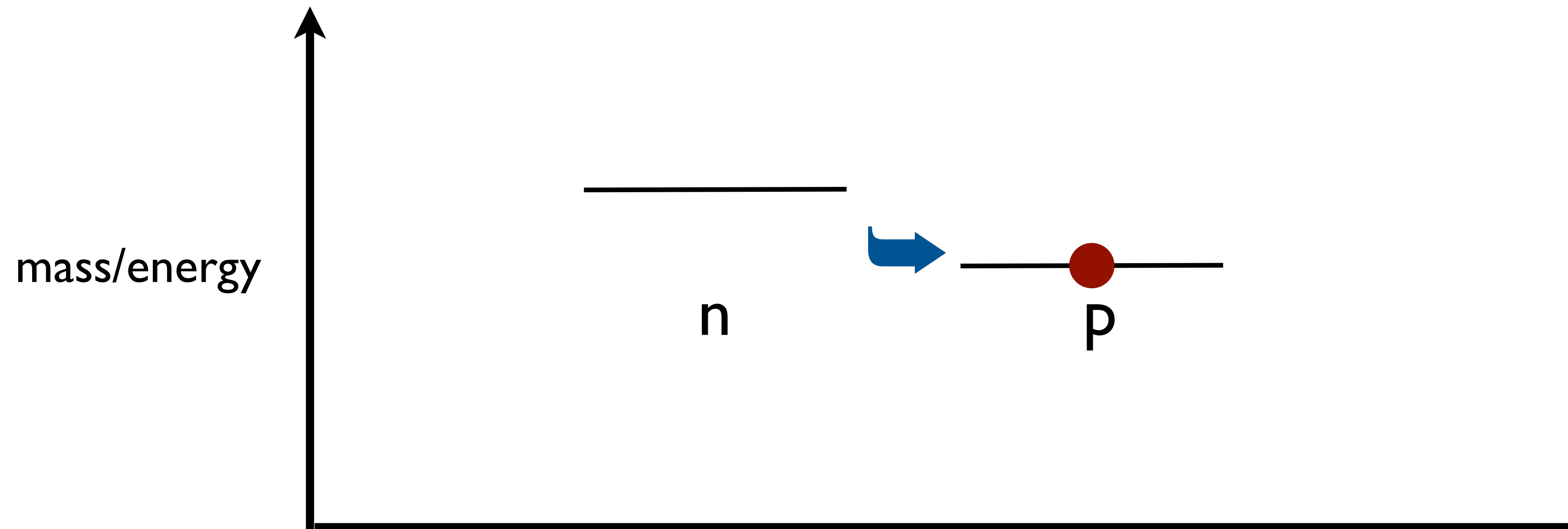


$$M_n - M_p = 1.29333217(42) \text{ MeV}$$

$$E_{\text{Hydrogen}} = 13.6 \text{ eV}$$

$$\frac{M_n + M_p}{2} = 938.9187473(58) \text{ MeV}$$

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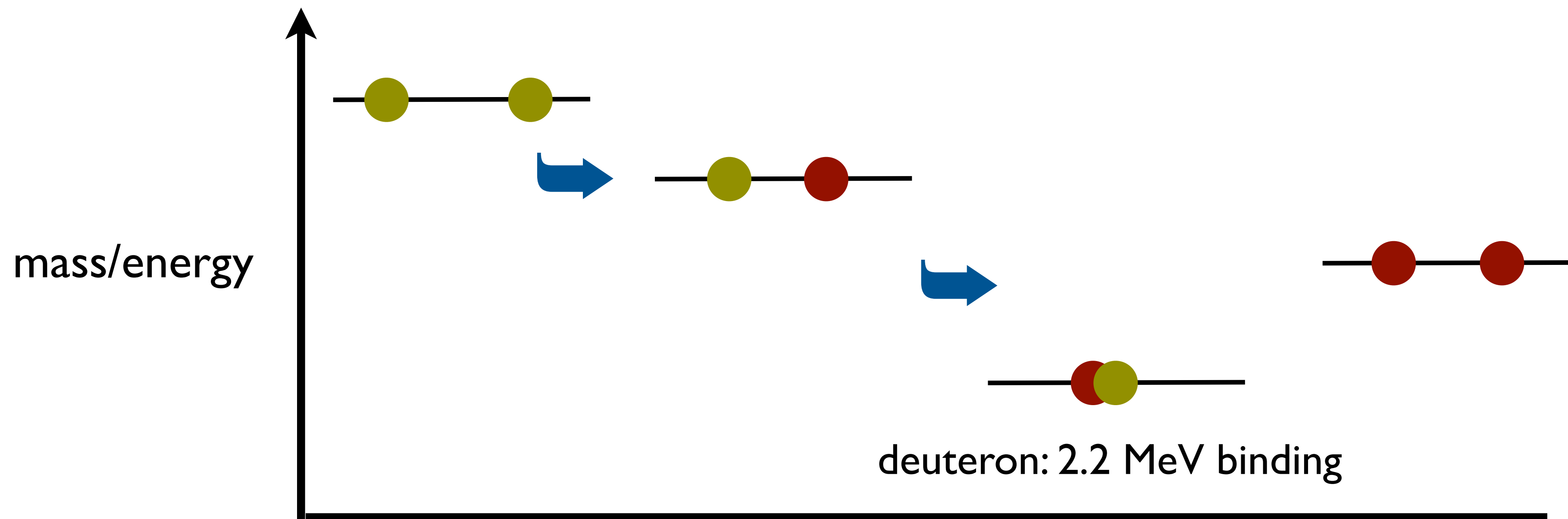


$$\tau_n \sim 15 \text{ min}$$

what prevented this from destroying all the neutrons?

if nothing else were to happen in the next few minutes,
our universe would be full of only Hydrogen

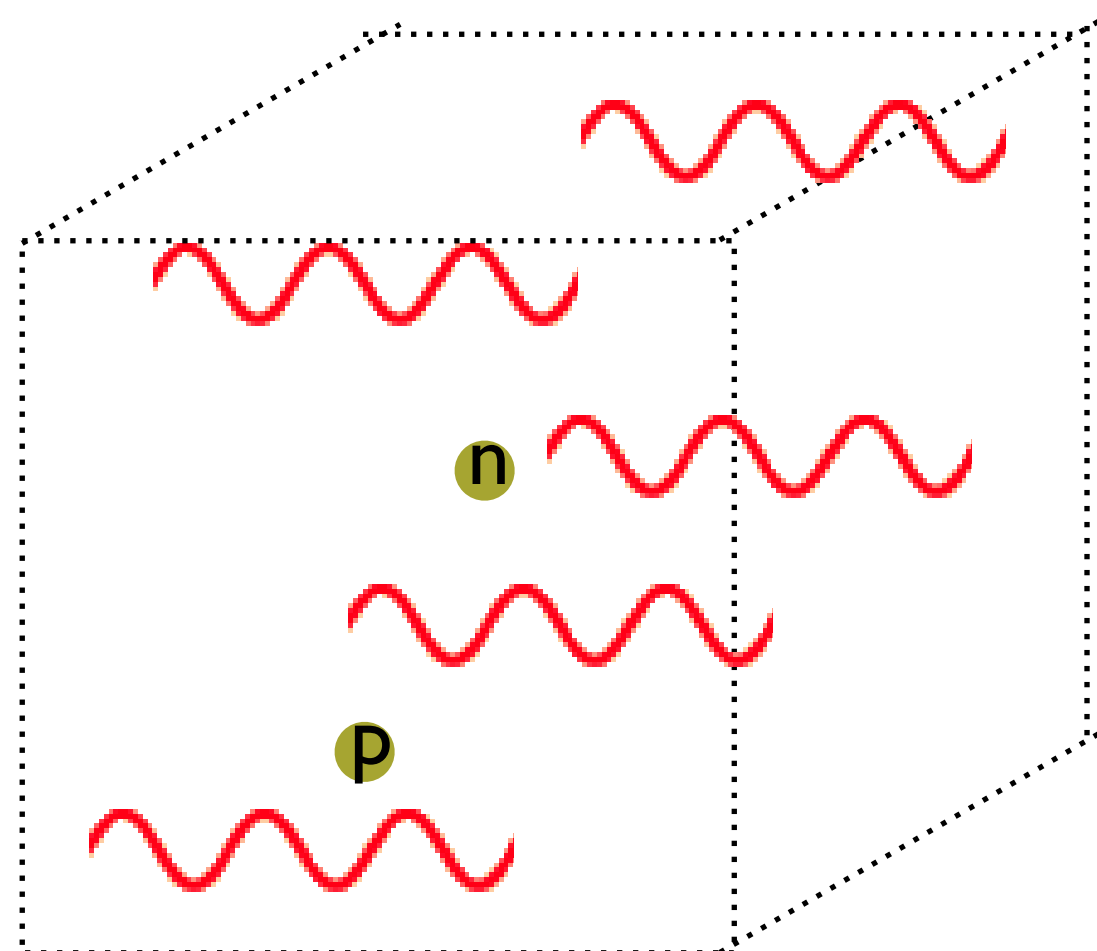
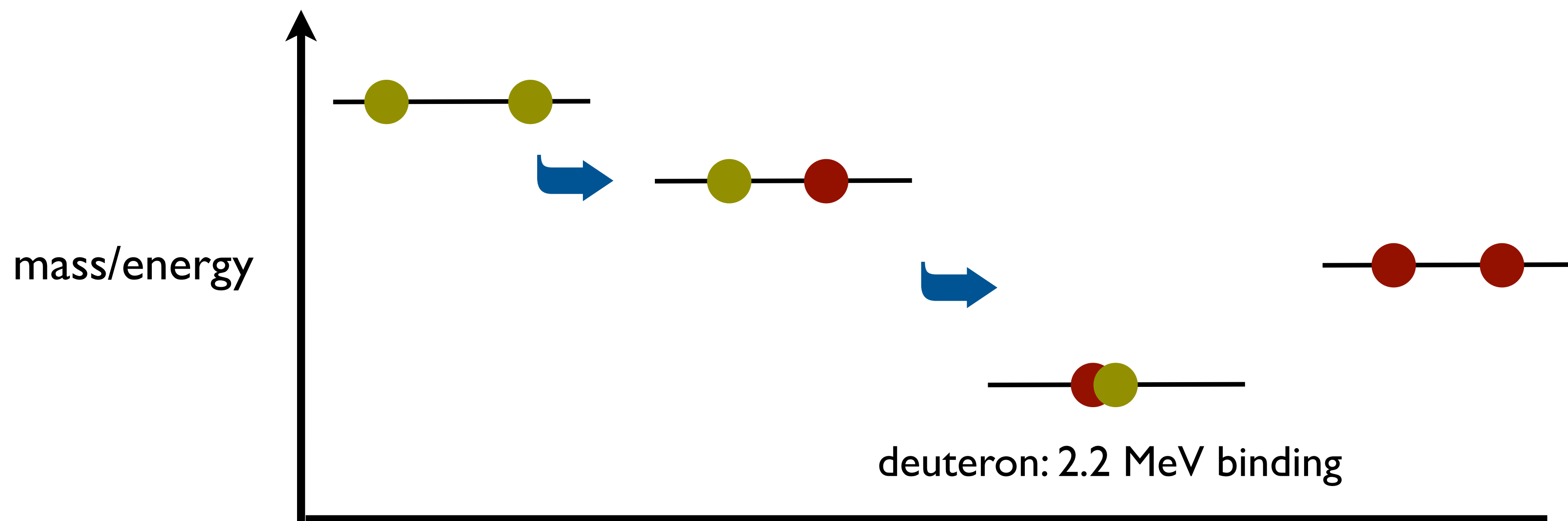
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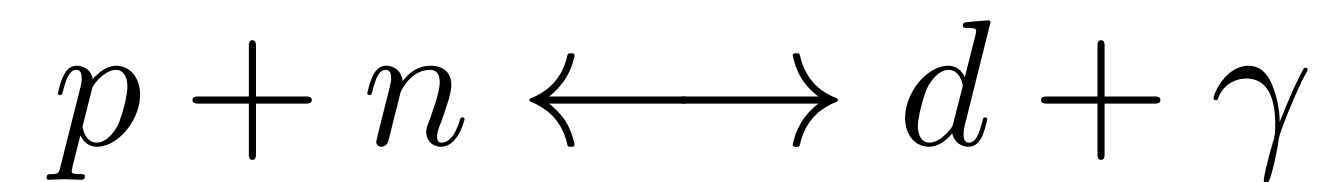
Answer: formation of nuclei

a system with protons and neutrons can collapse to a compact bound state, the **deuteron**: the attractive binding of a neutron and proton allows **neutrons to survive when embedded in nuclei**

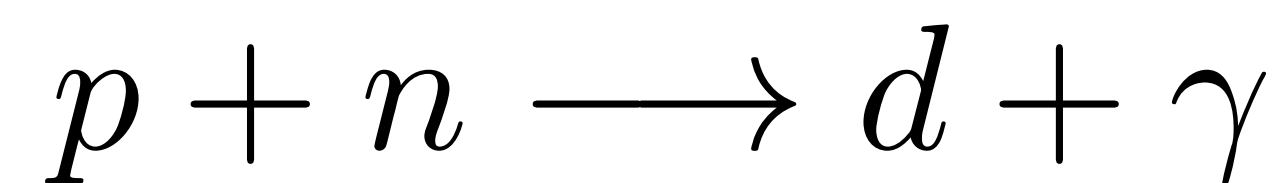
The deuterium “bottleneck”



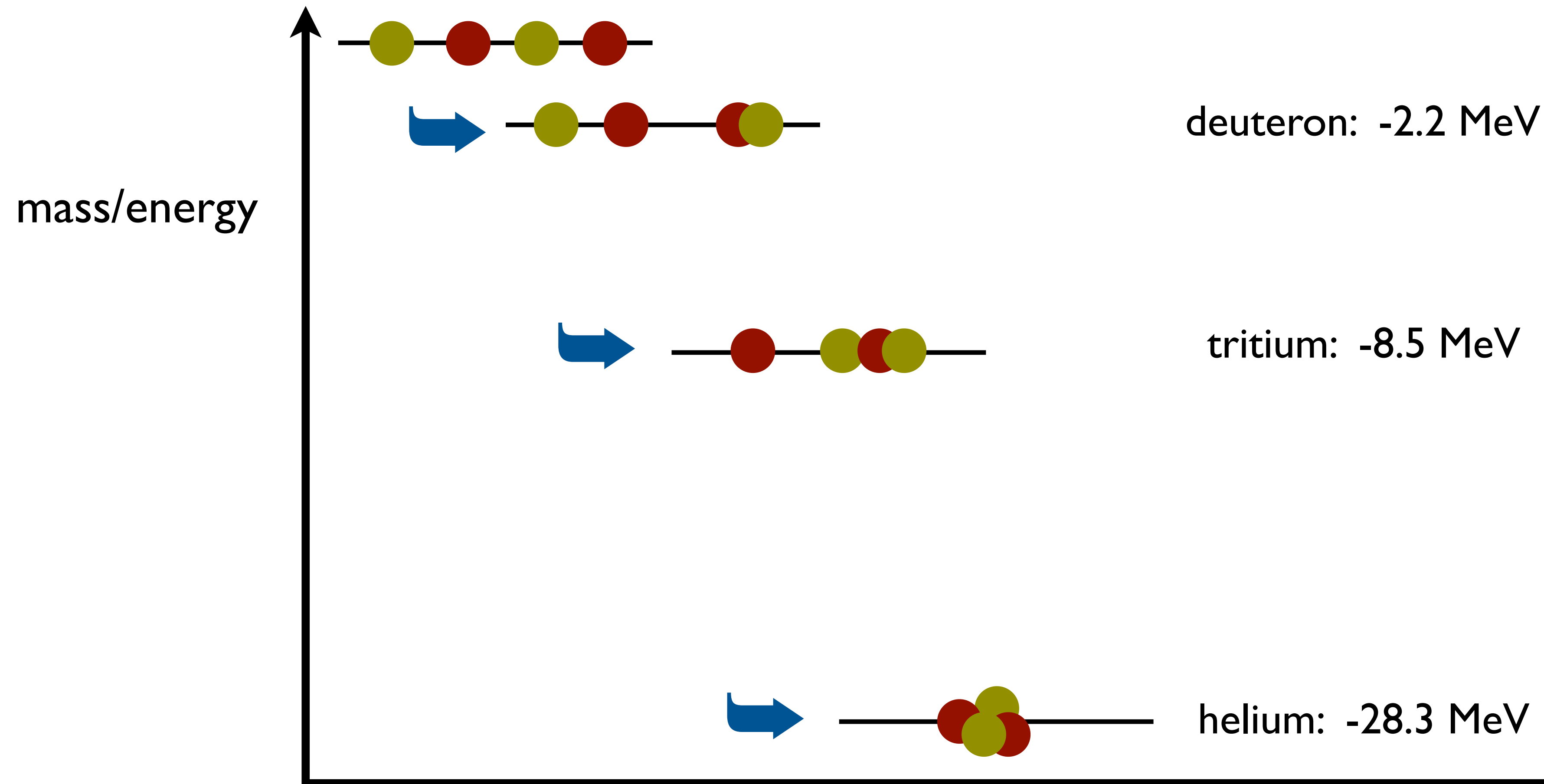
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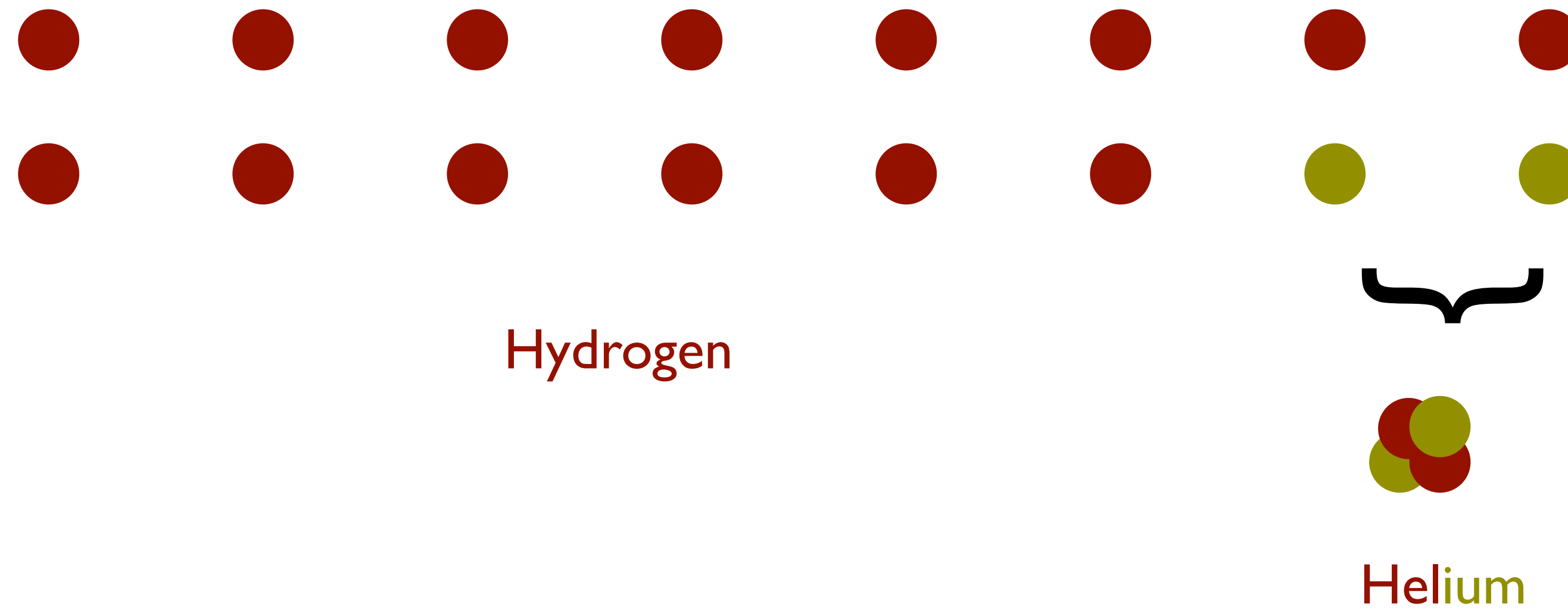
until $T \approx 100$ keV (1 billion K),
 $t \approx 3$ min



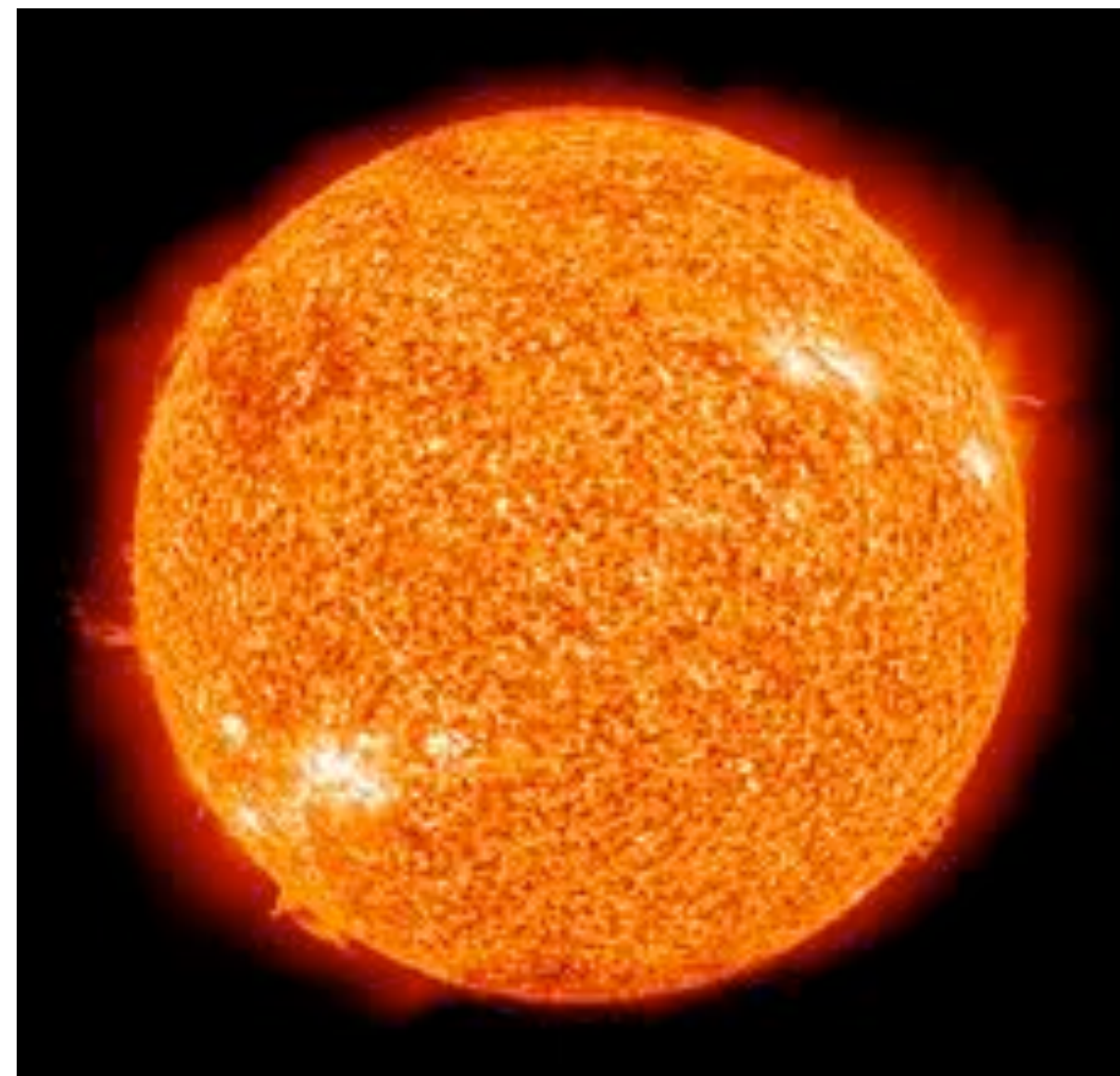
The deuterium “bottleneck” is broken, neutrons flow into He



He stability: \uparrow, \downarrow protons and \uparrow, \downarrow neutrons can be packed together



The early universe contains 75% H and 25% ^4He by mass fraction
("all" deuterium converted to ^4He)



Our understanding of Big Bang Nucleosynthesis is very sensitive to a few ingredients

○ The abundance of matter over antimatter $\eta_{B/\gamma} \sim 10^{-9}$

A. Nicholson

○ The neutron-proton mass splitting

$$M_n - M_p = 1.29333217(42) \text{ MeV}$$

A. Portelli, G. Martinelli

○ The neutron lifetime

$$\frac{1}{\tau_n} = \frac{G_\mu^2 |V_{ud}|^2}{2\pi^3} m_e^5 (1 + 3g_A^2)(1 + RC) f_{V,A}$$

○ The deuteron binding energy

$$B_d \simeq 2.2 \text{ MeV}$$

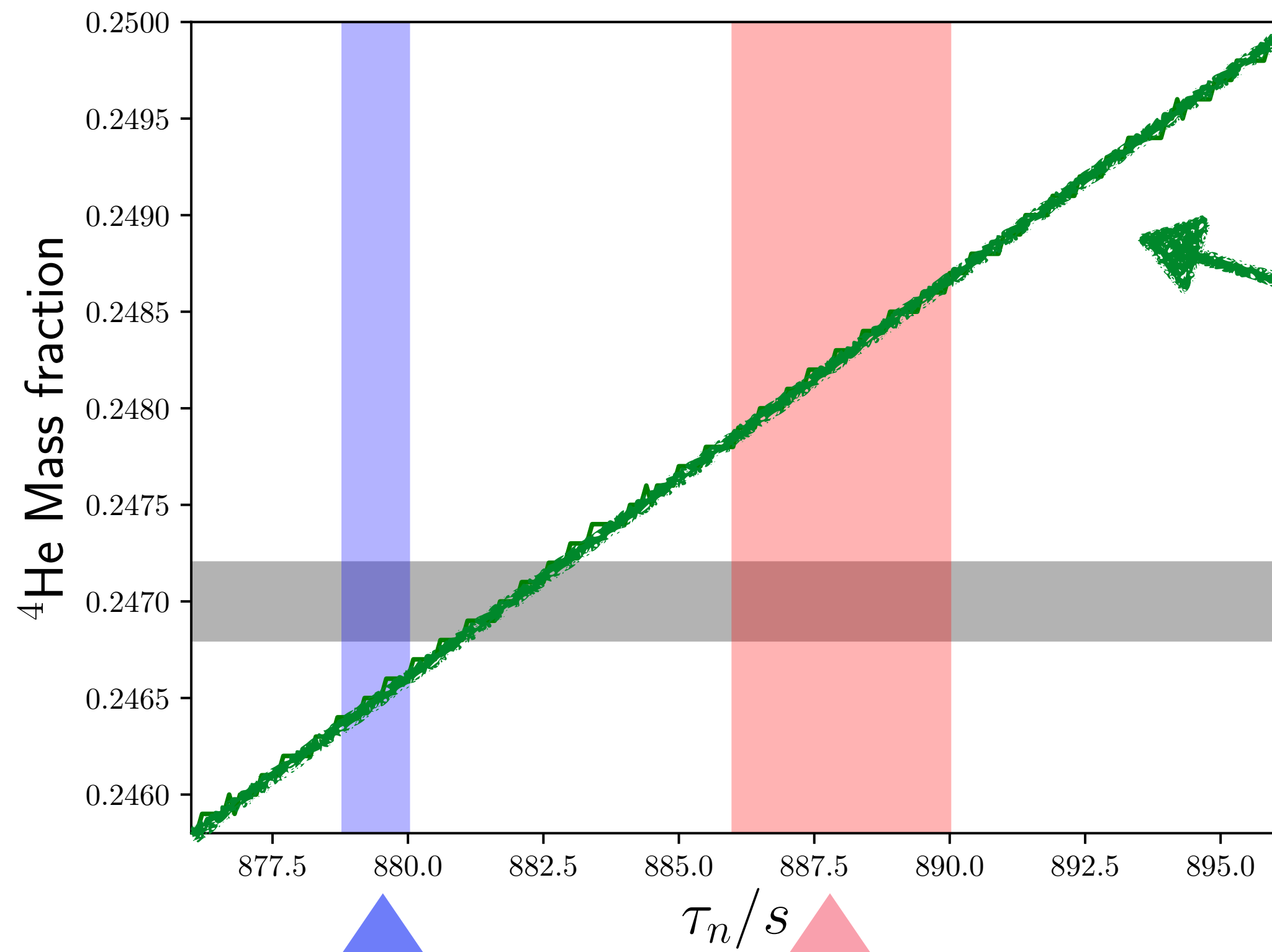
S. Aoki

The matter/antimatter asymmetry is an input ingredient while the other three quantities, to some degree, emerge from the Standard Model.

How sensitive are these quantities to variations of the input parameters of the SM?

With Lattice QCD and Effective Field Theory, we can answer these questions

This picture is also very sensitive to the lifetime of the neutron



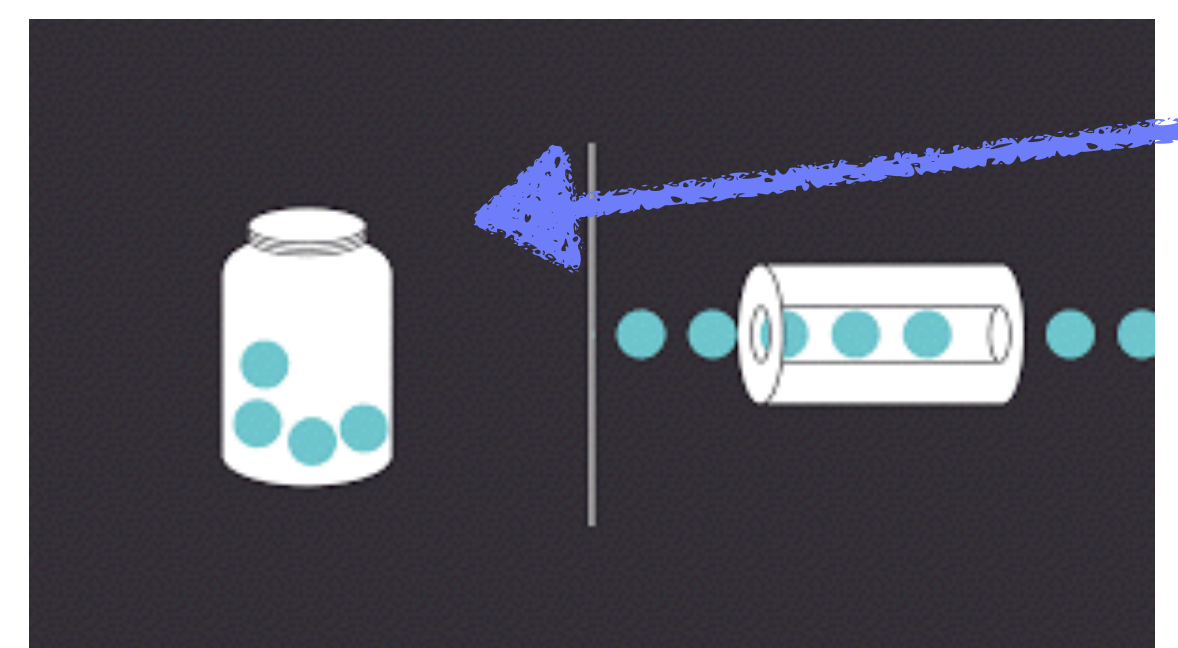
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Czarnecki, Marciano, Sirlin

Predicted primordial ${}^4\text{He}$ mass fraction of the universe as a function of the neutron lifetime

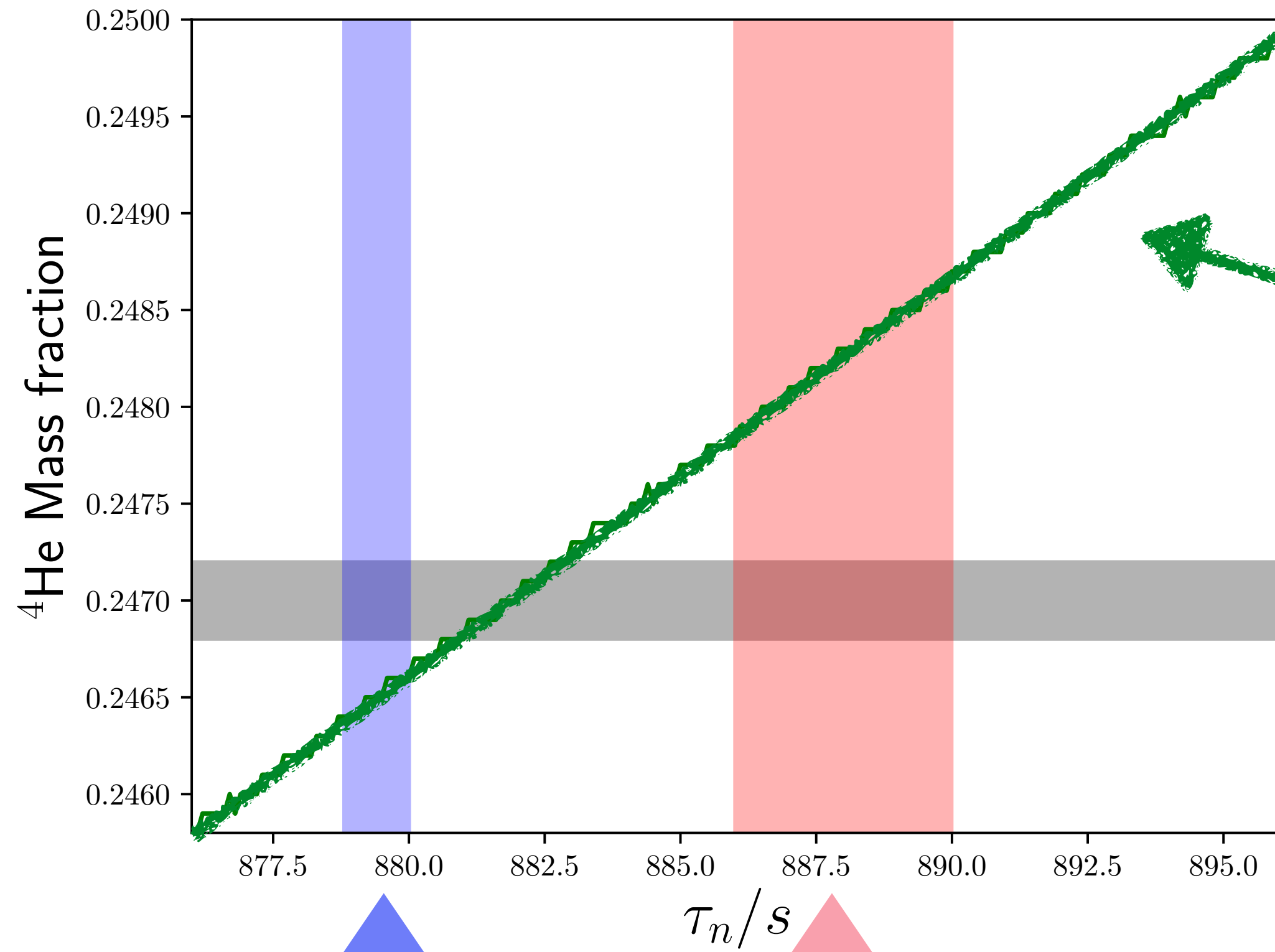
Observed primordial ${}^4\text{He}$ mass fraction of the universe

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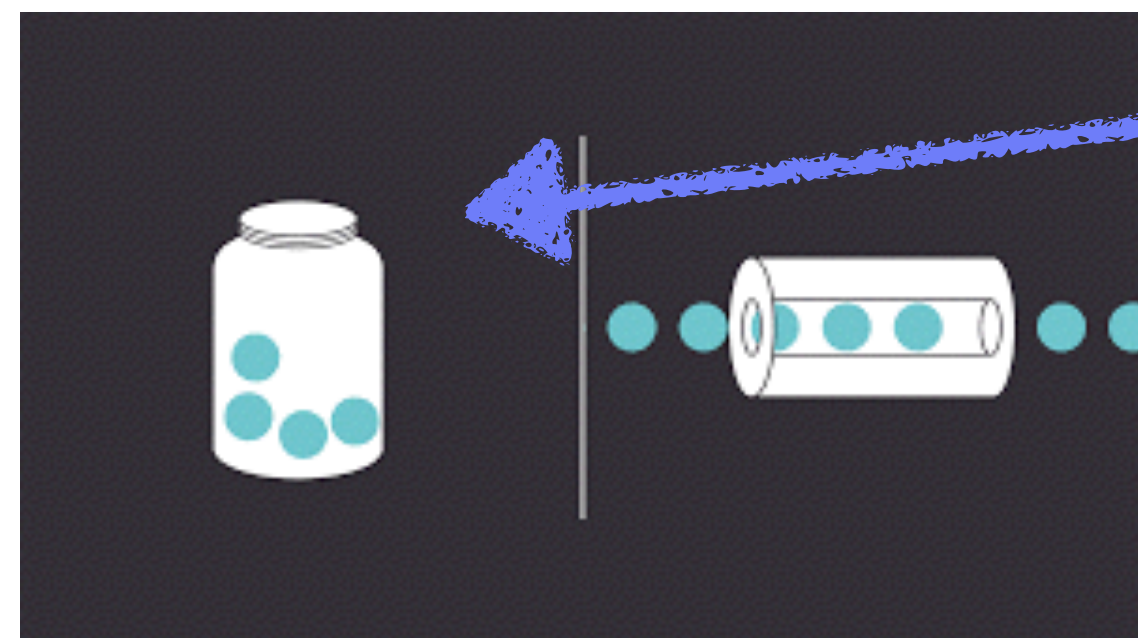
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with LQCD, we can provide this number
need 0.2% uncertainty to match
precision of discrepancy 🤯

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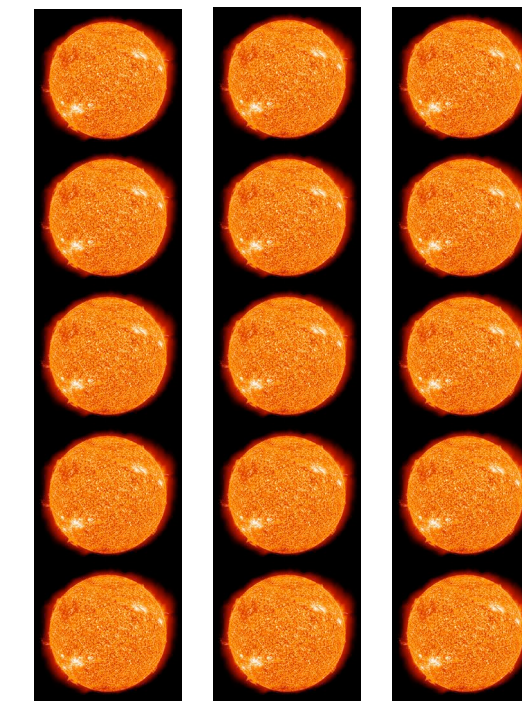
the binding energy of deuterium which is **finely tuned** (most nuclei have ~ 8 MeV binding per nucleon)!

$$B_d = 2.22 \text{ MeV}$$

What if

$$B_d \ll 2.22 \text{ MeV}$$

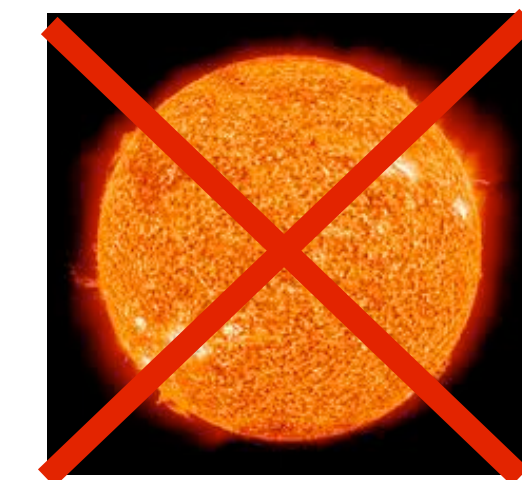
more finely tuned
all neutrons decay - no helium
mostly hydrogen stars?



Too many
suns?

$$B_d \gg 2.22 \text{ MeV}$$

natural scenario
all neutrons captured in deuterium and
helium - no hydrogen
no stars like ours!

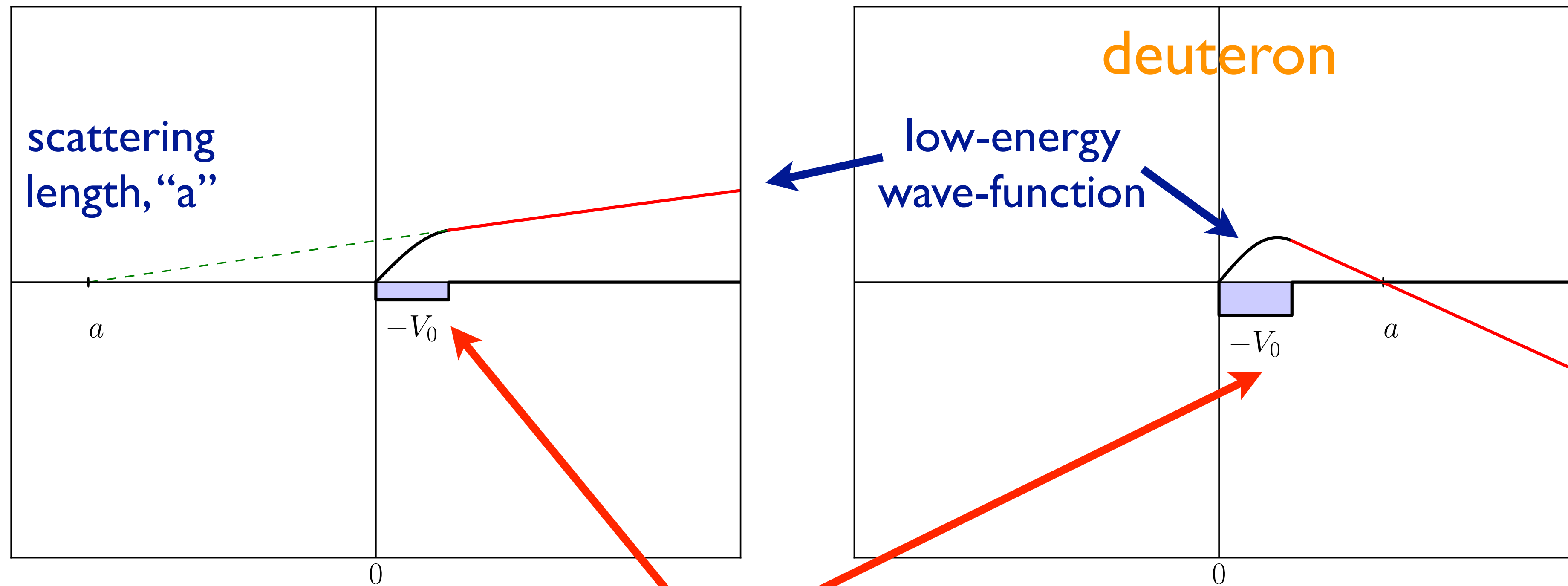


No Sun!

proton-neutron scattering at low energies

$${}^1S_0 : a \simeq -24 \text{ fm}$$

$${}^3S_1 : a \simeq 5.5 \text{ fm}$$

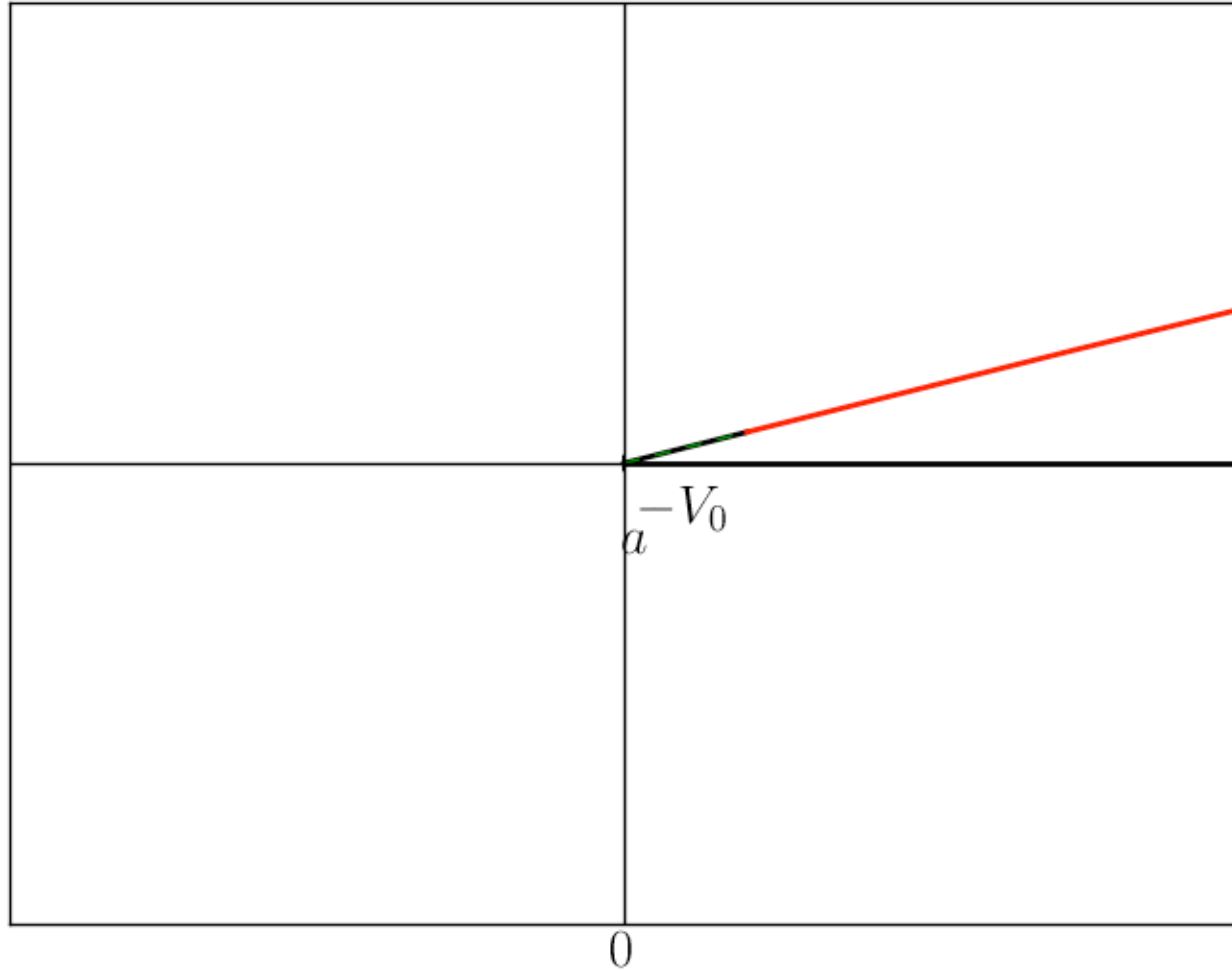


$$R_{NN} \sim 1.4 \text{ fm}$$

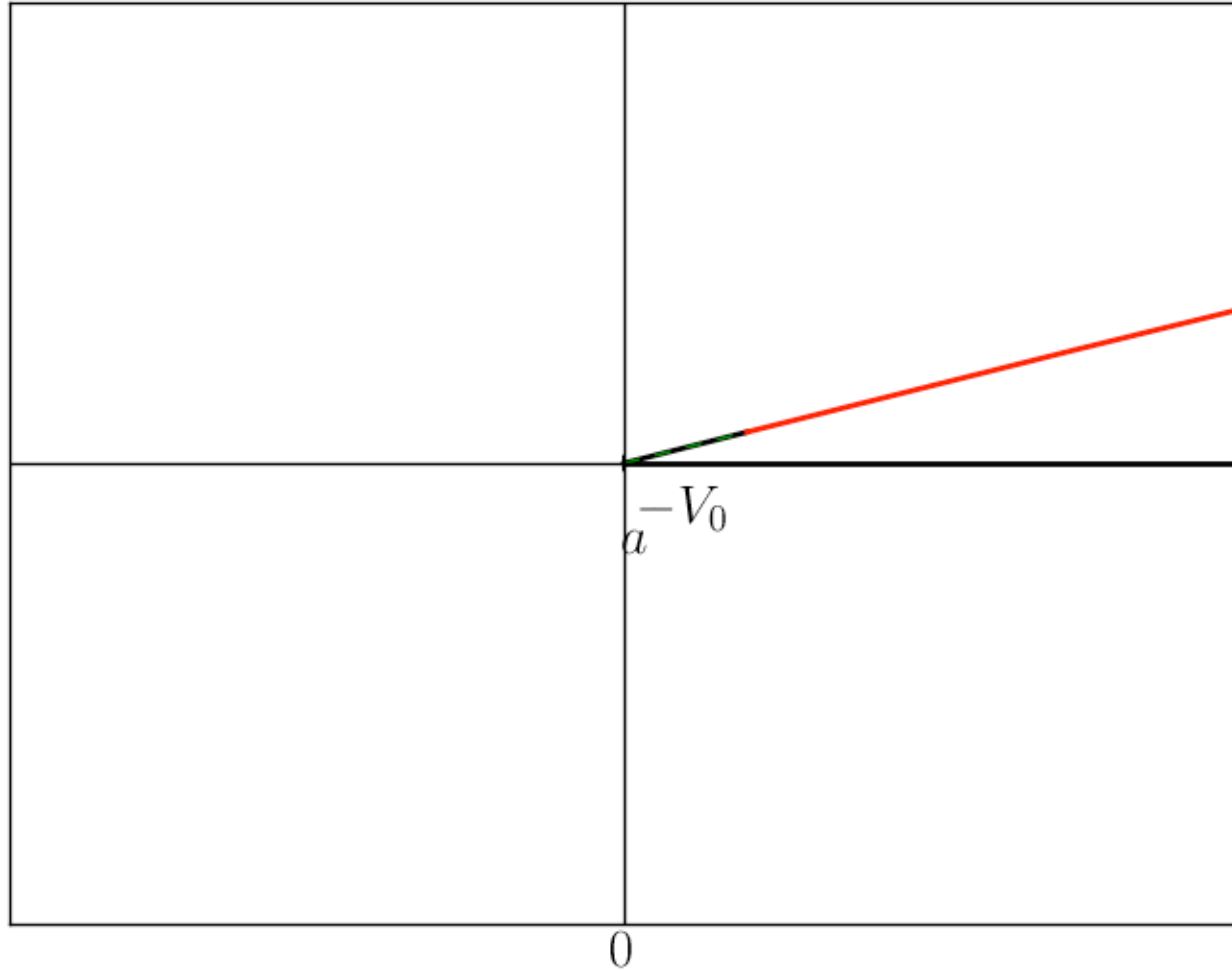
Fine tuning gives small deuteron binding energy

Solving QCD can help us determine the nature of this fine tuning

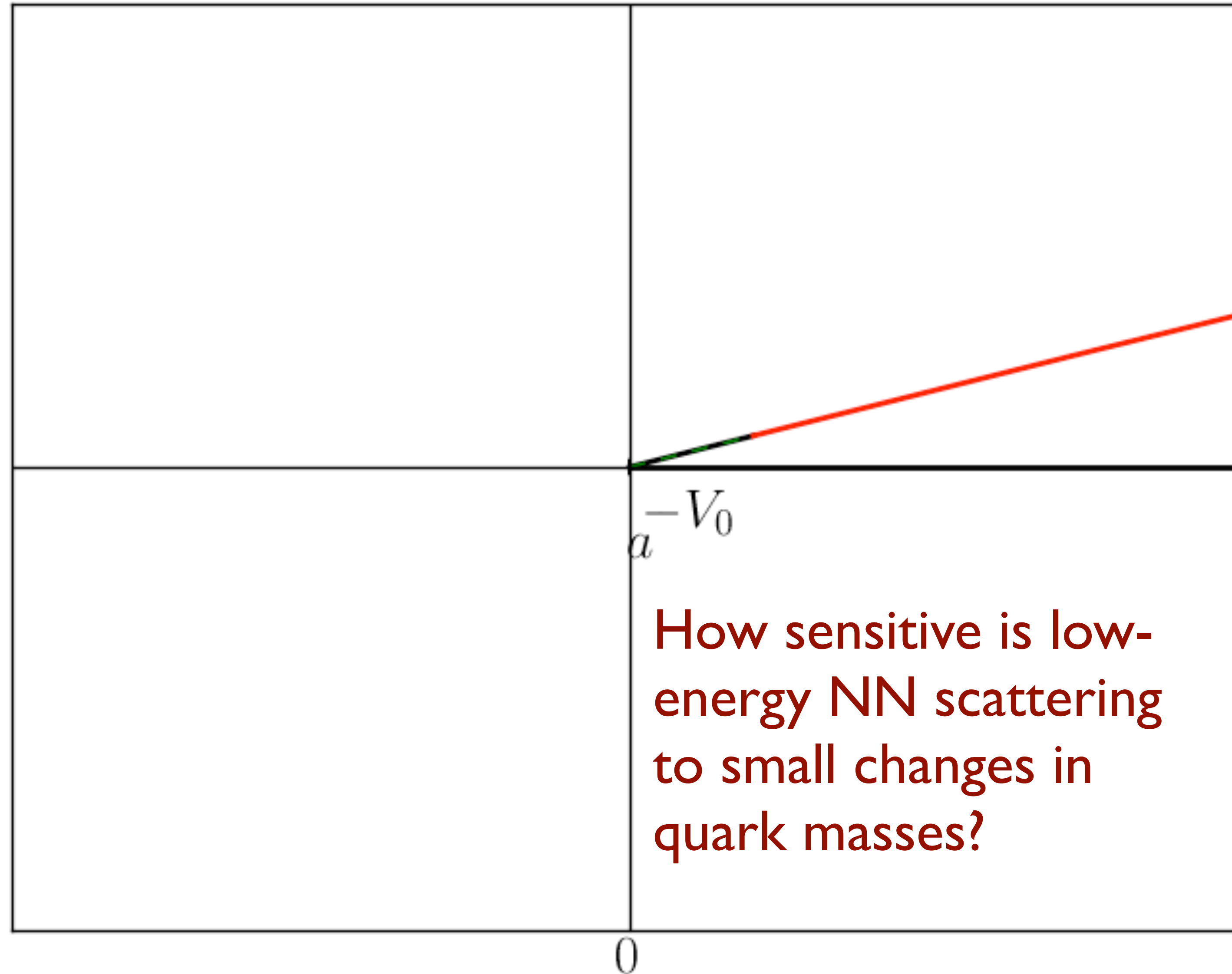
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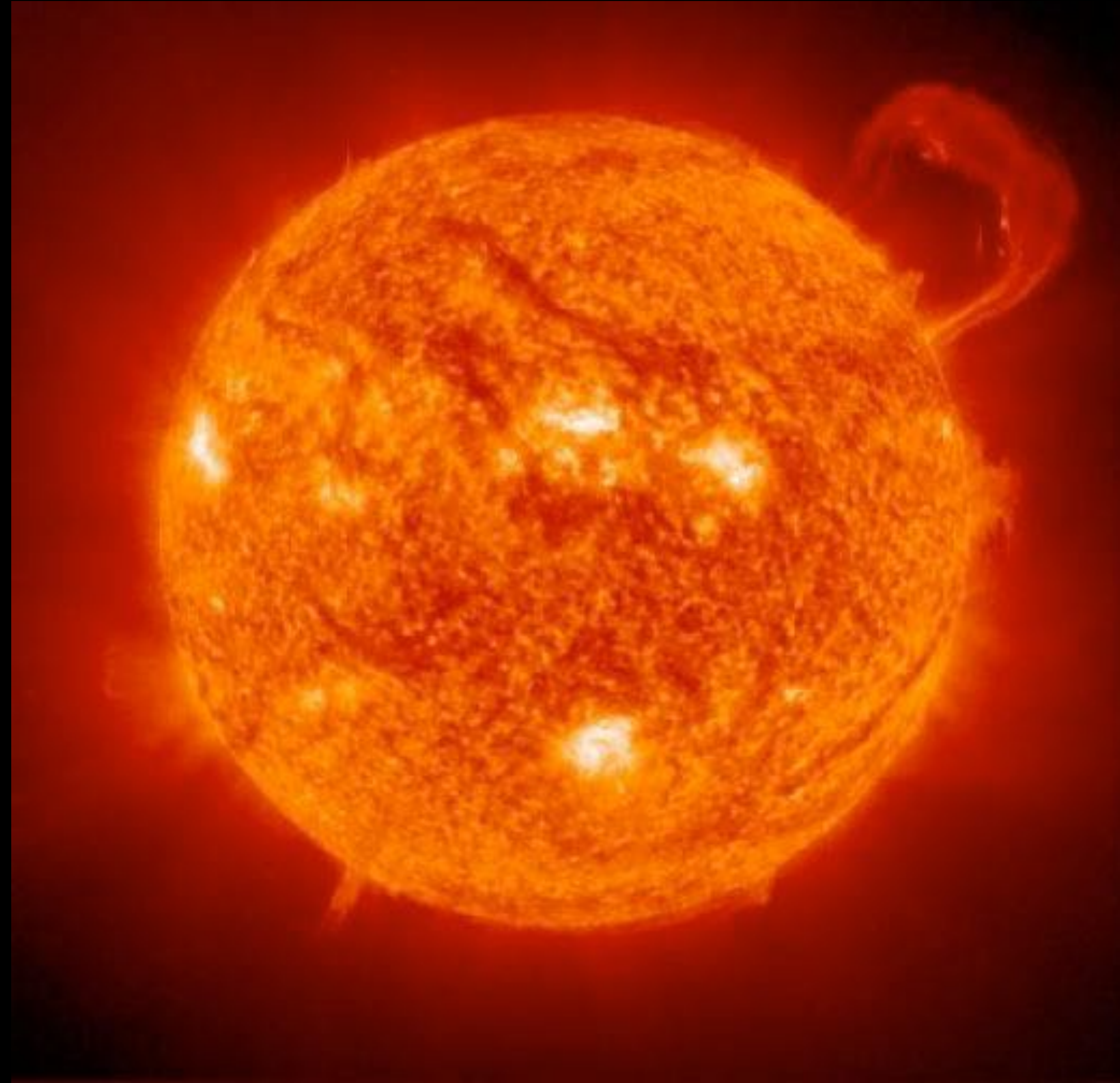


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How sensitive is low-energy NN scattering to small changes in quark masses?

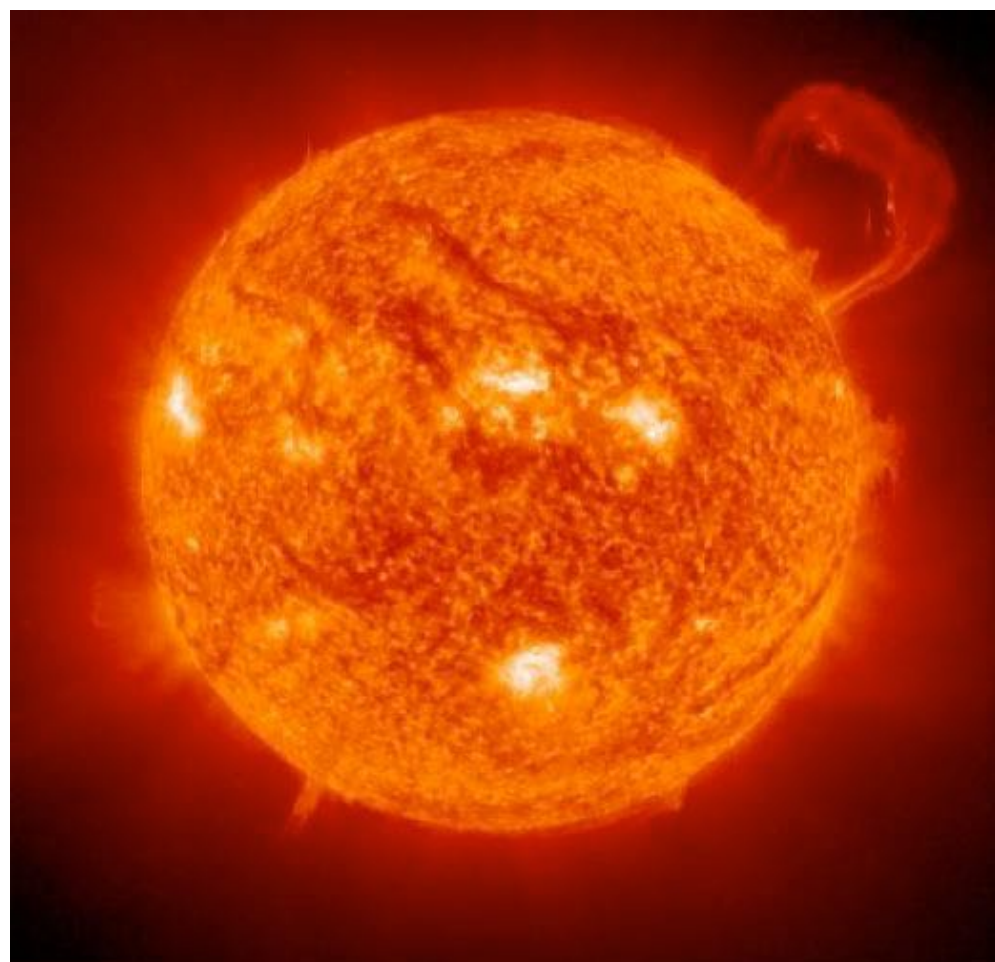
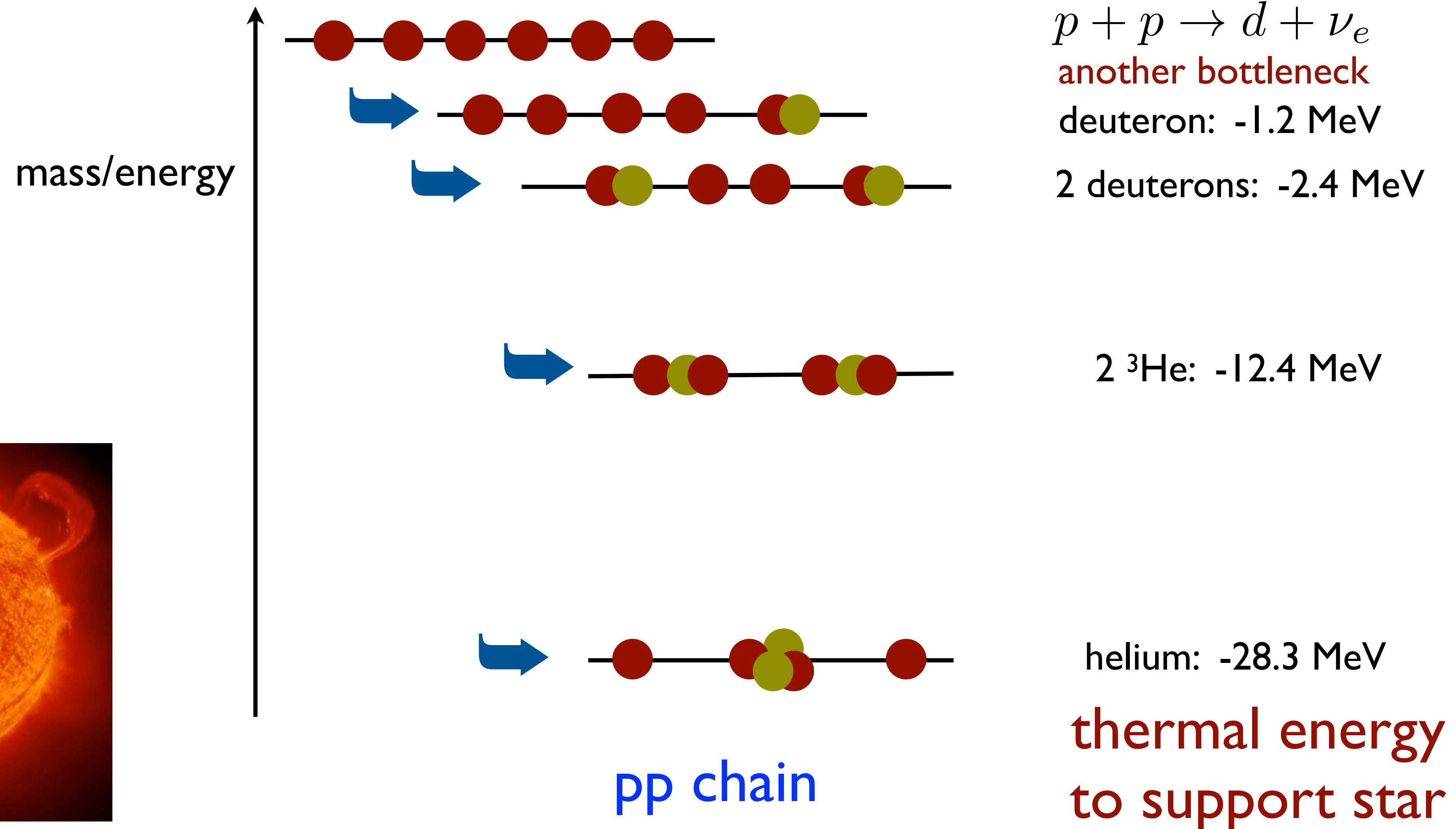
Solar Fusion



$T \simeq 20 \text{ K}$
 $t \simeq 200 \text{ Million years}$

One needs neutrons and protons to make new nuclei.

Small stars burn protons only, manufacturing the needed neutrons

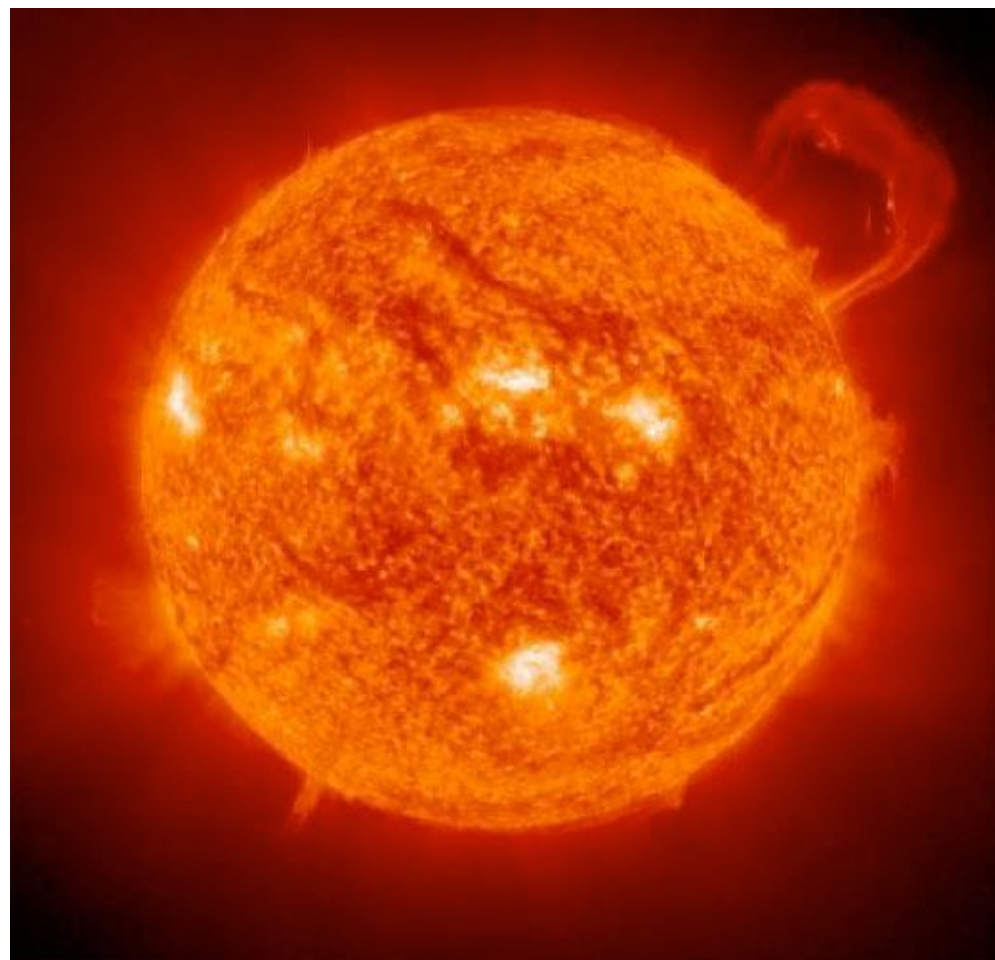


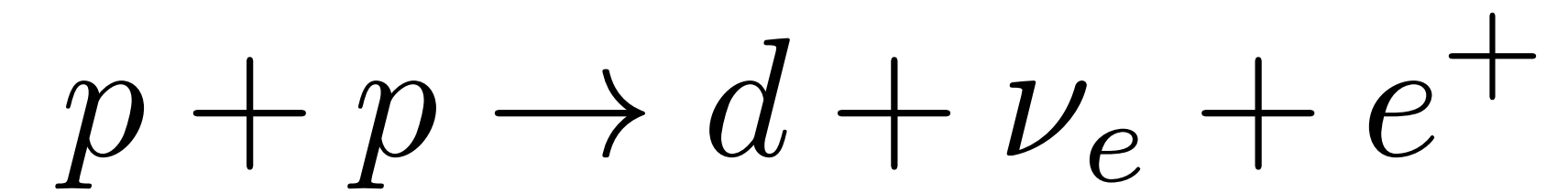
This is how our Sun generates its energy

80% of all stars generate their energy by hydrogen burning

At its very center the Sun generates 275 watts/m³ - similar to the energy generated by a **compost (garbage) heap (of the same size)!**

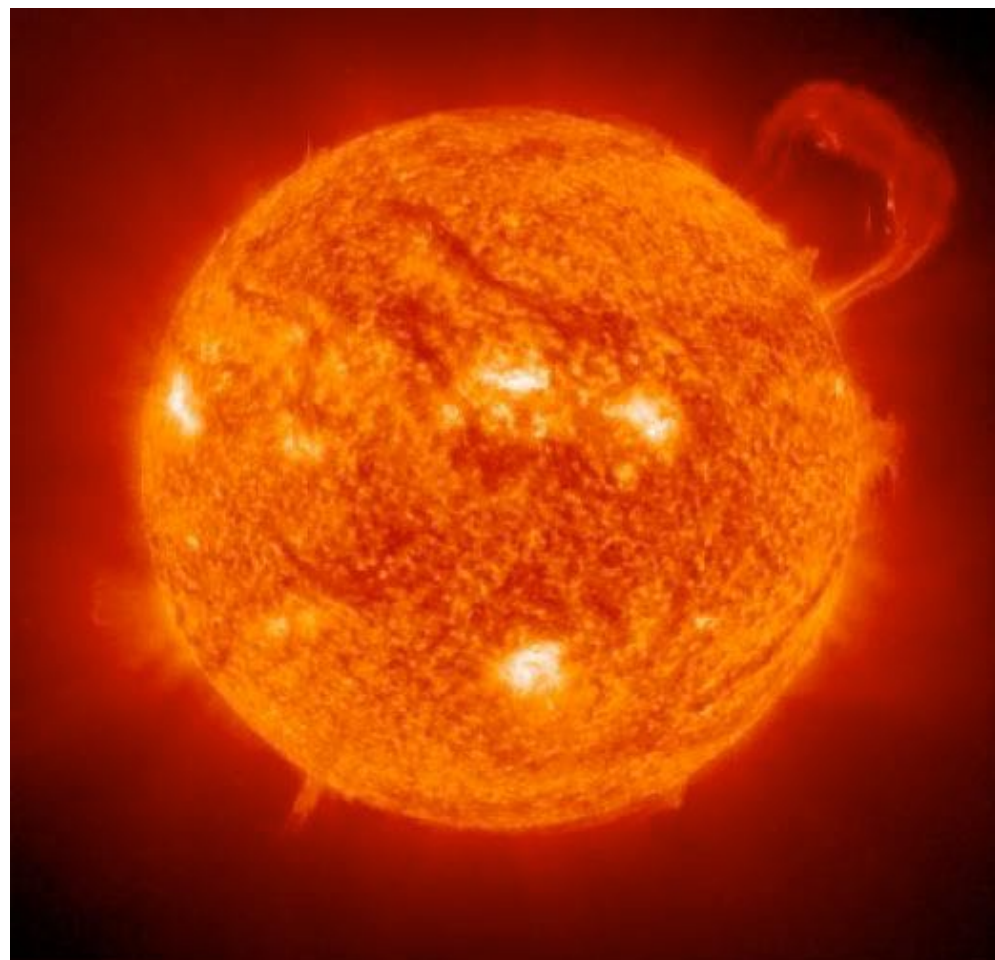
And this is why the Sun has burned for 4.6 b.y., and will burn for 5 b.y. more, fortunately -- a very big, very slow reactor

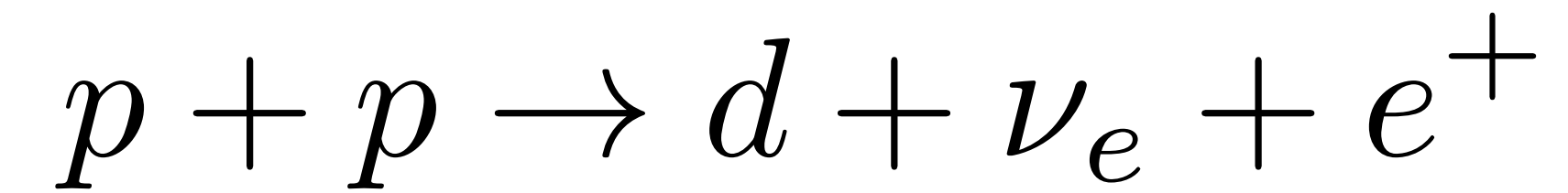




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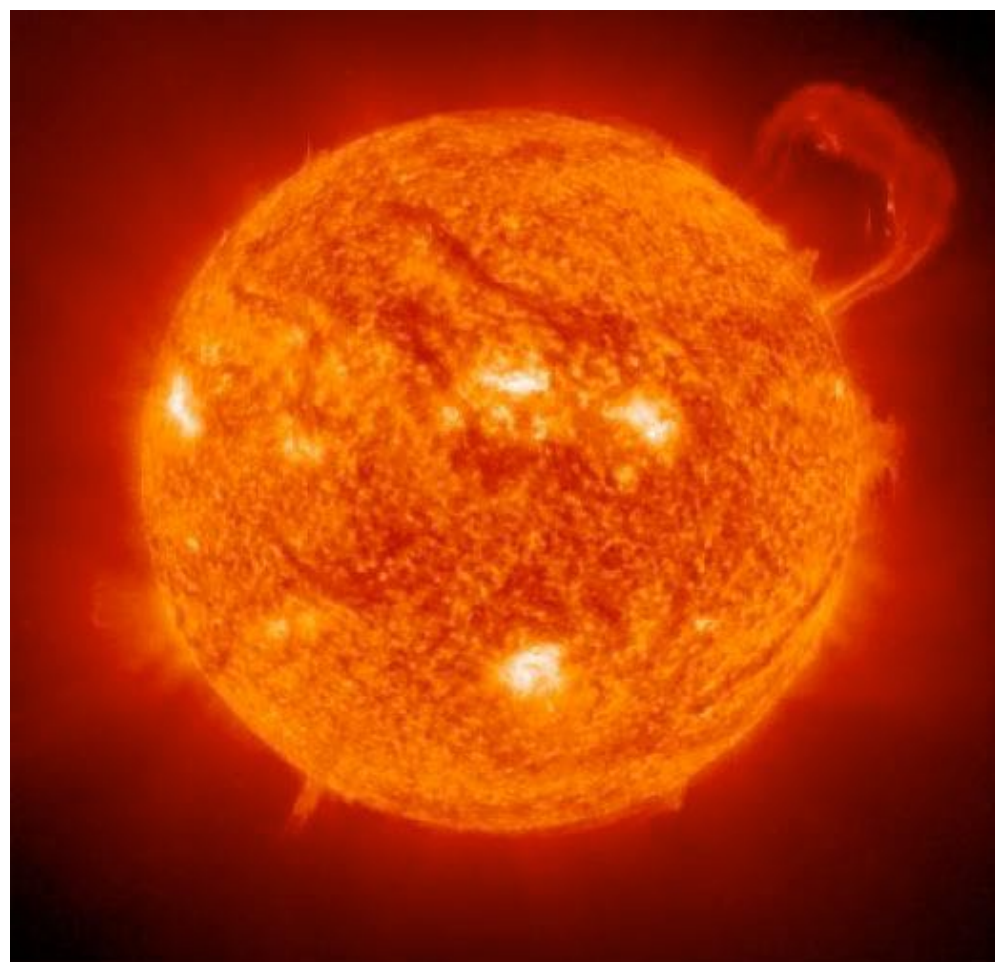
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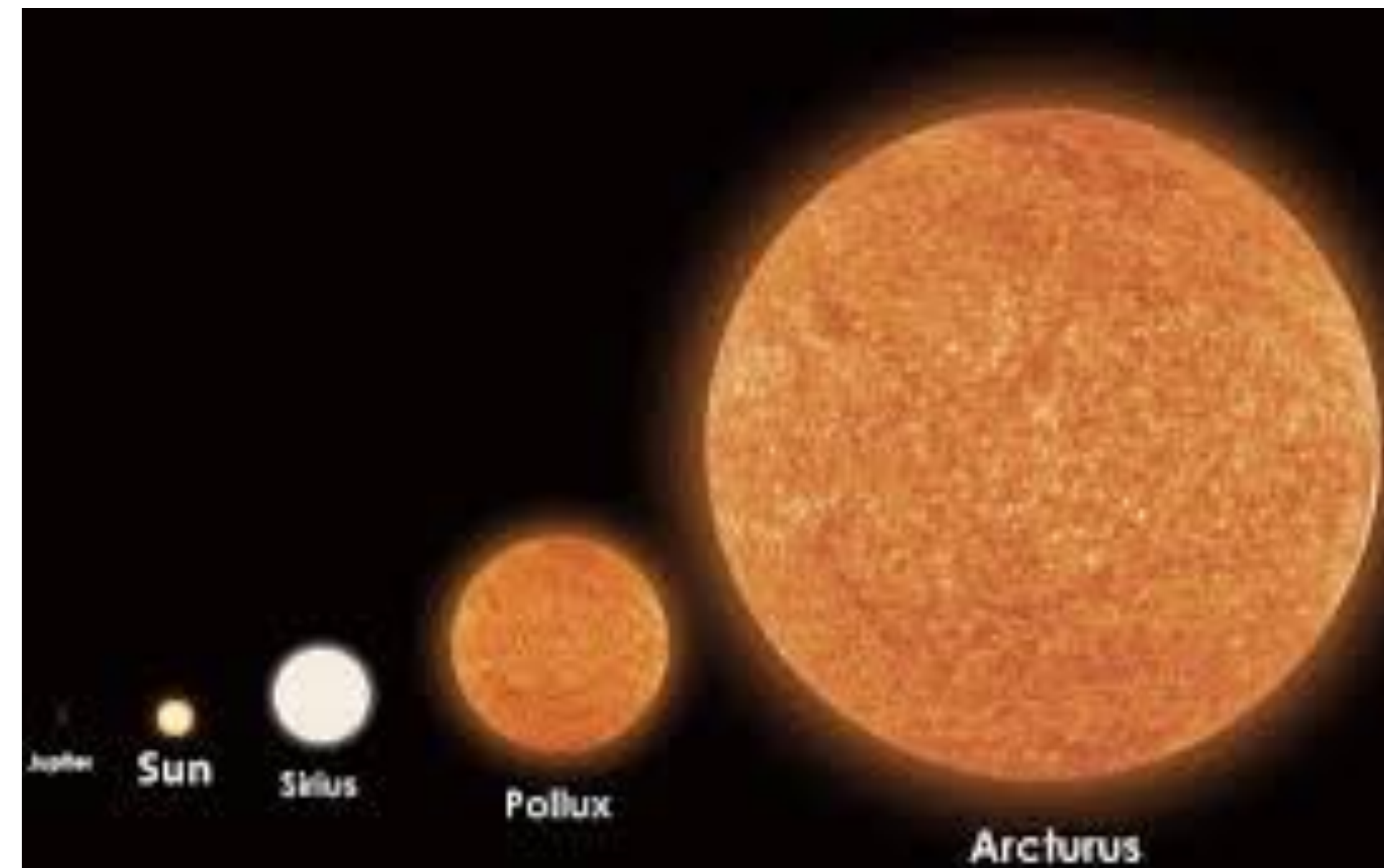
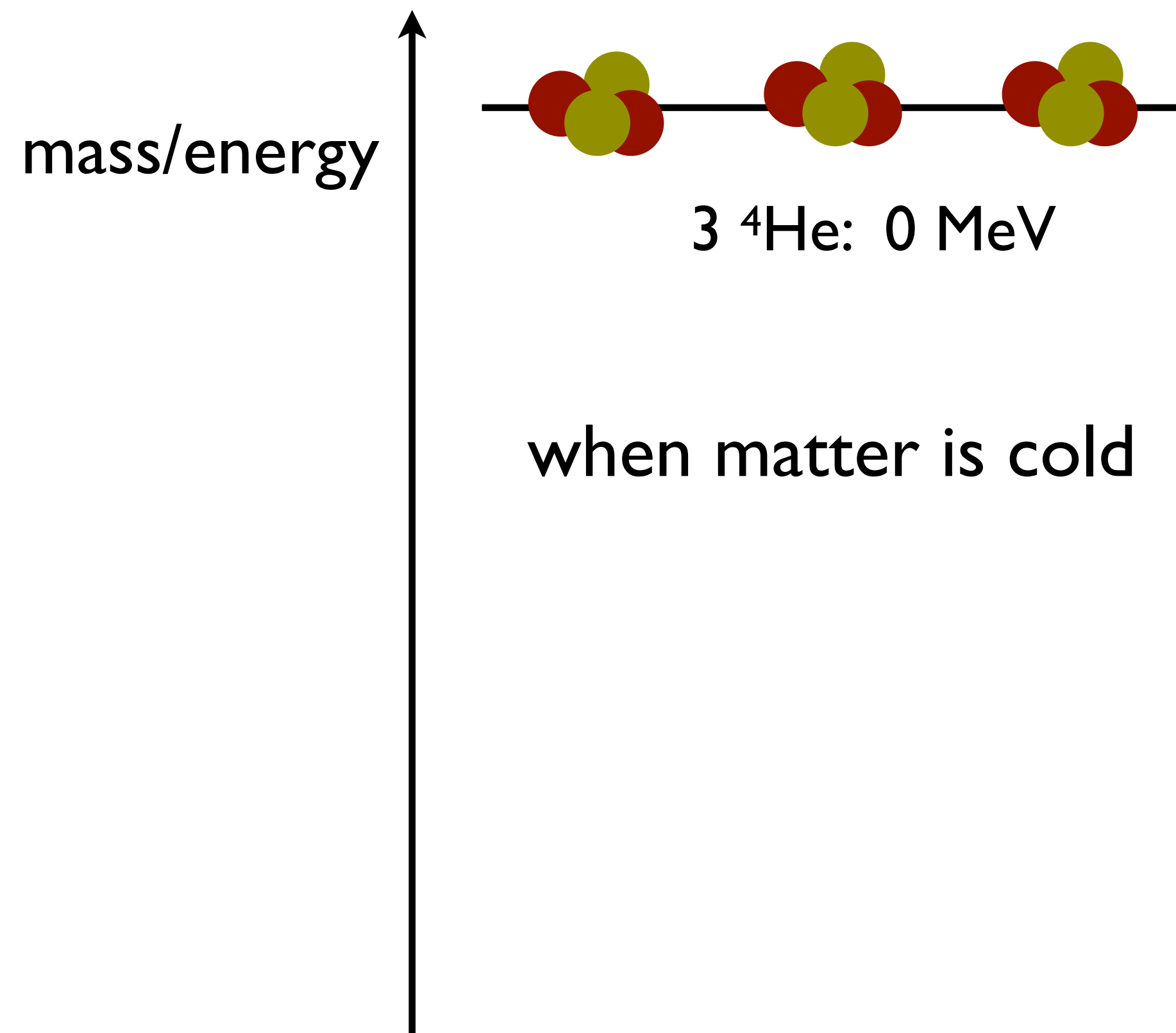
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super computer)



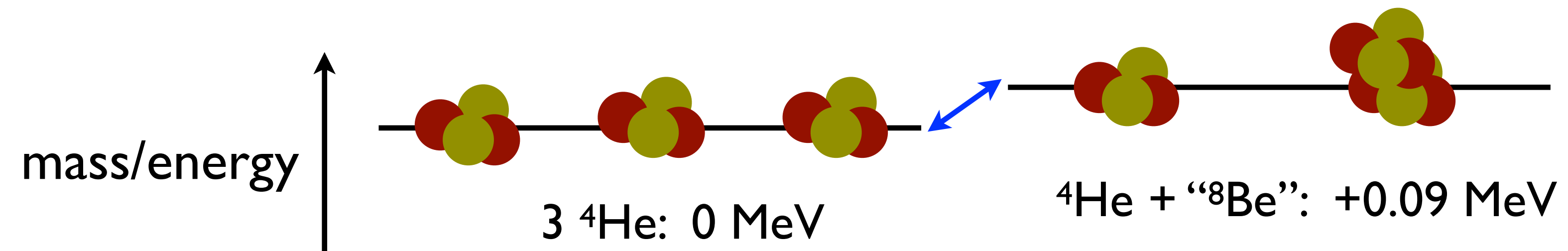
Large stars use He and neutrons to build new nuclei.

Higher temperatures and higher densities are needed.

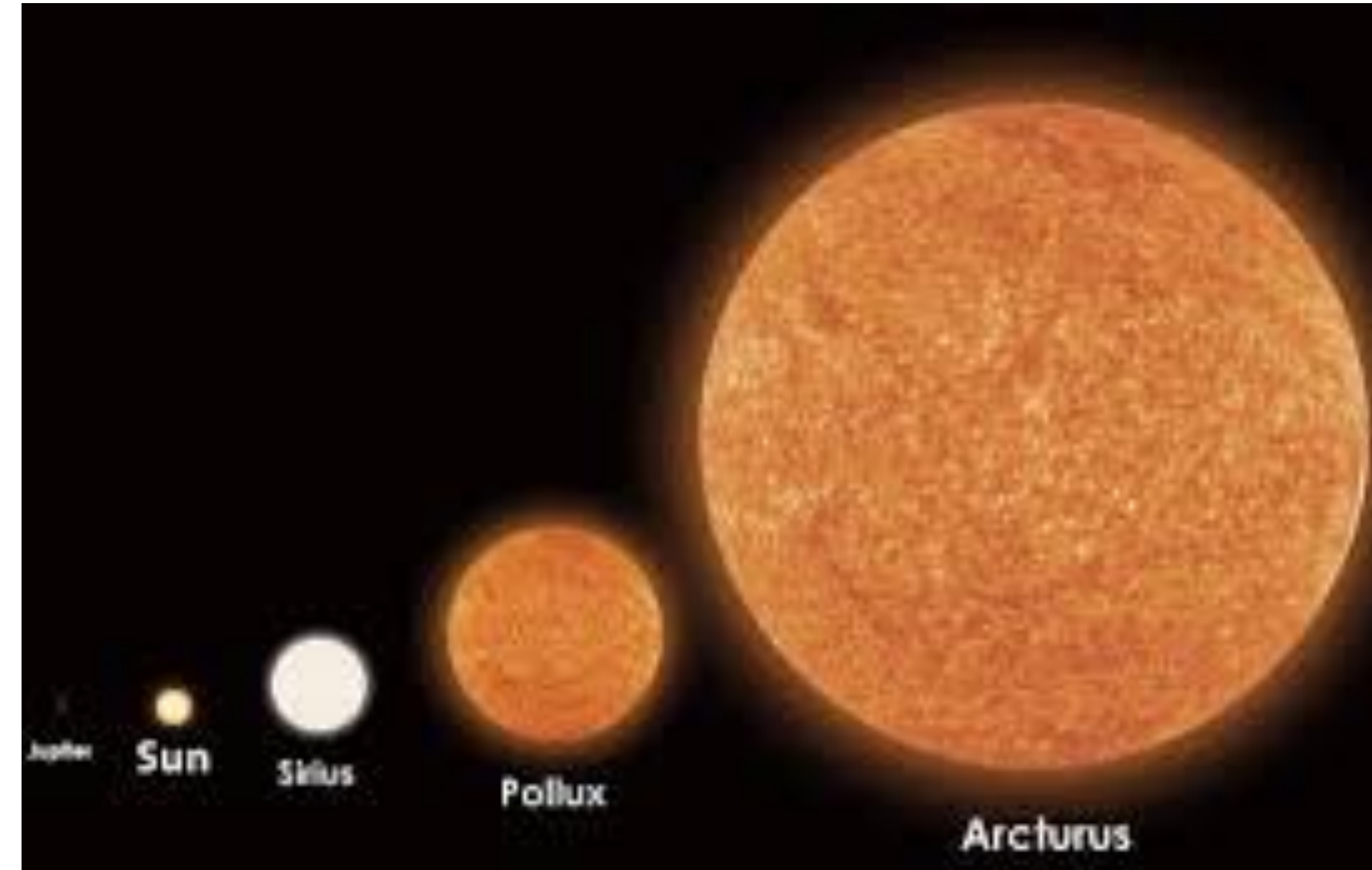
The Big Bang could not do this because the density was too low.



even more finely tuned

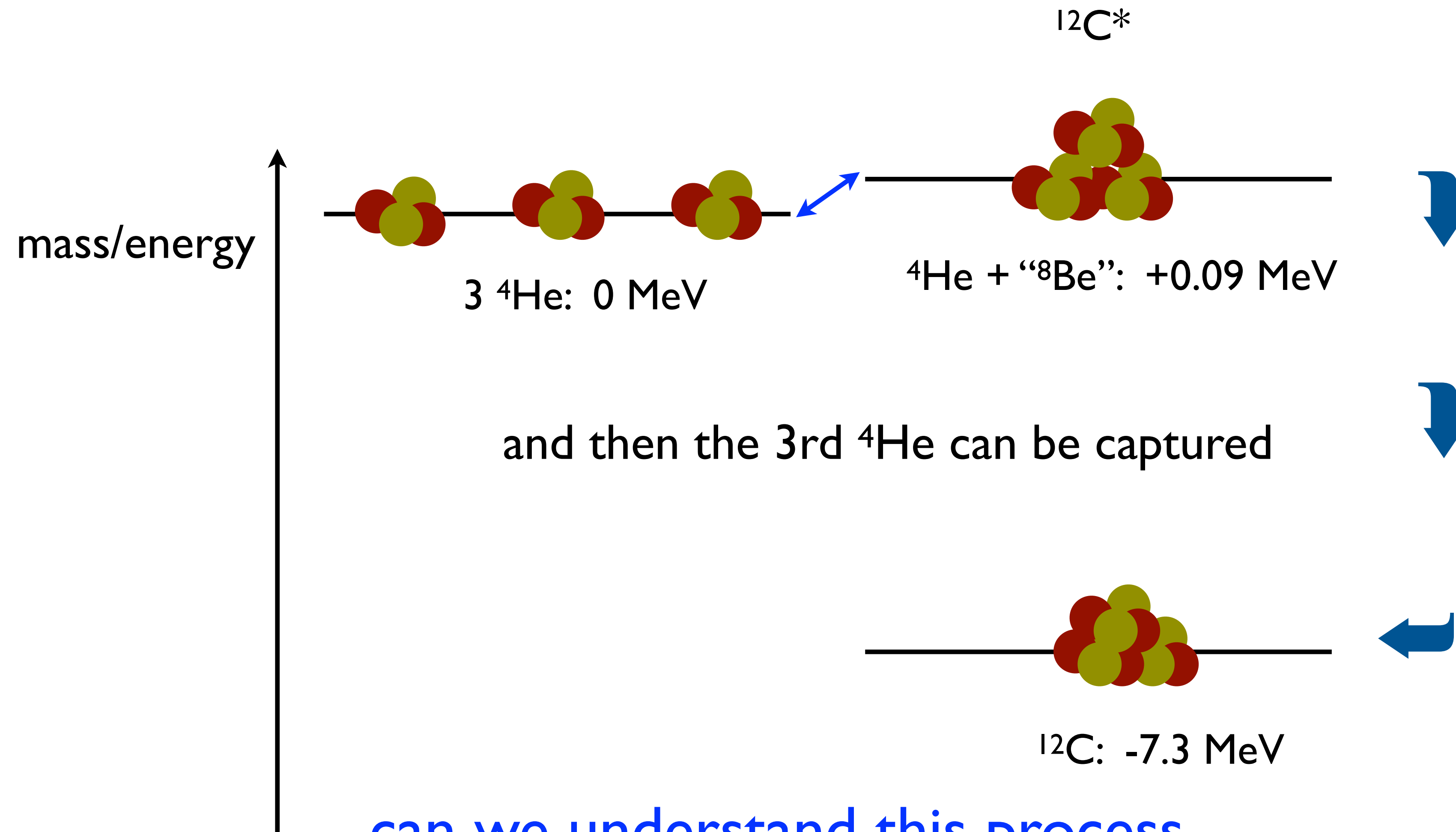


but when matter is hot, $T > 10^8$ K



even more finely tuned - source of complex life

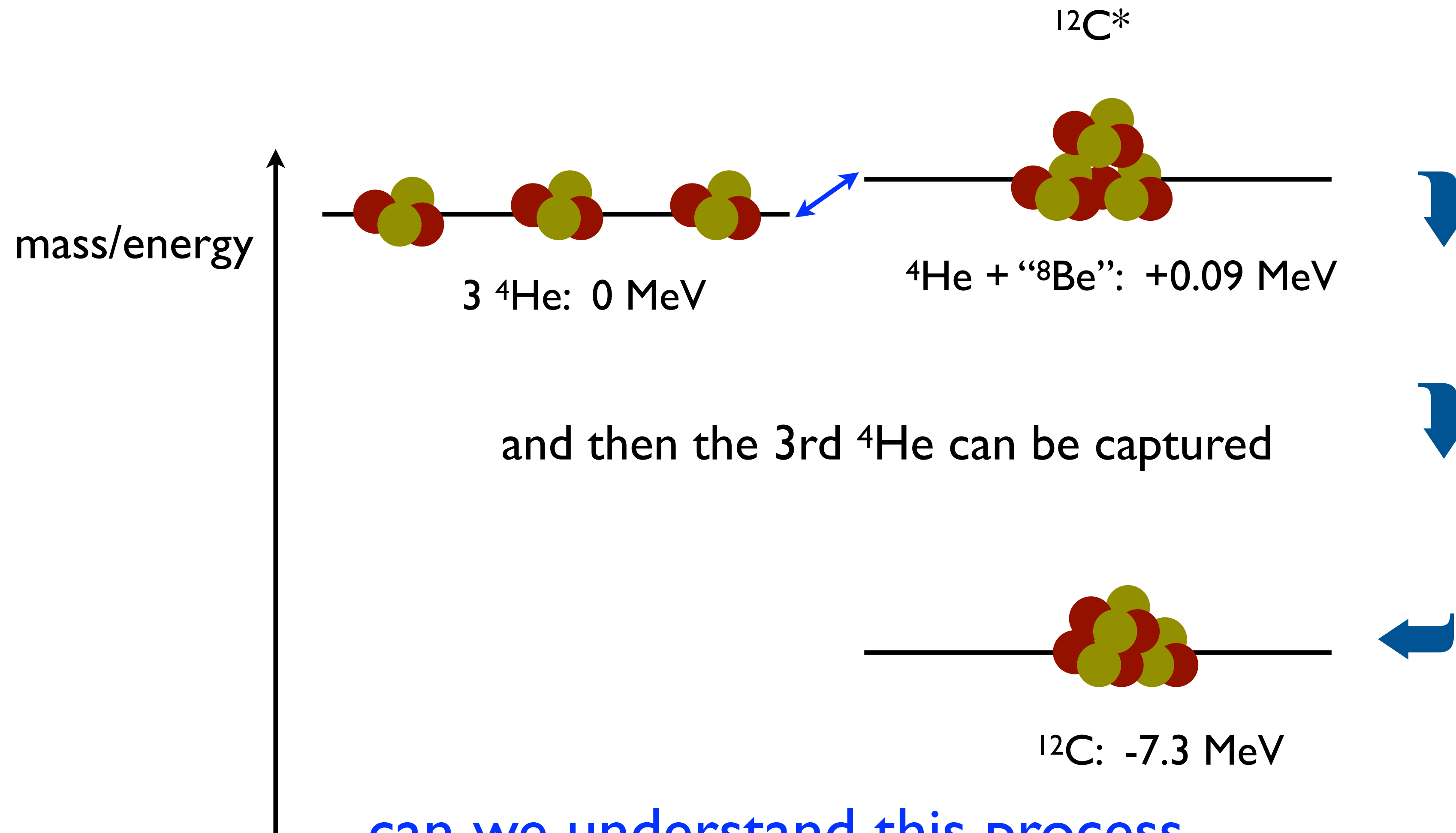
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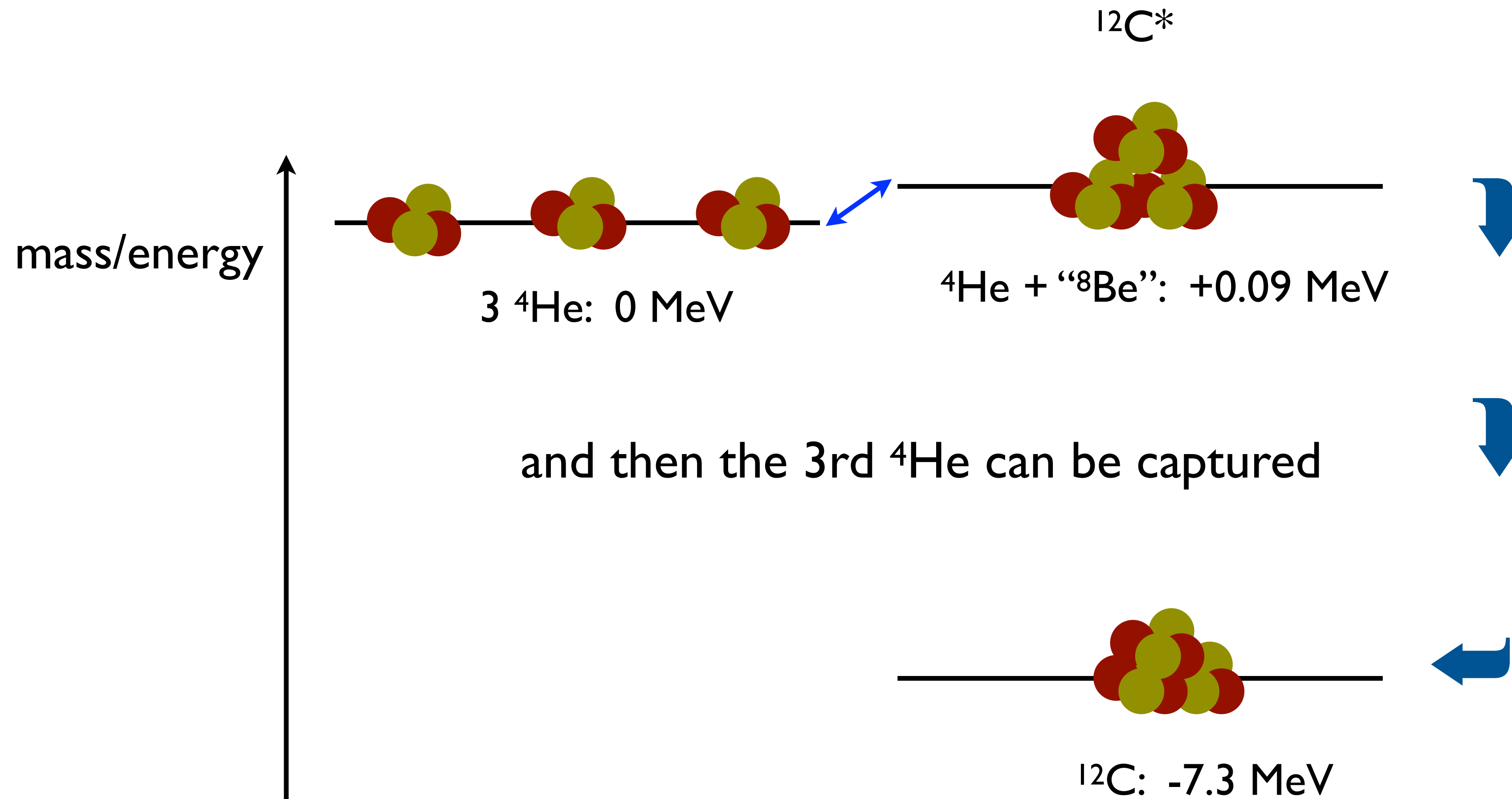


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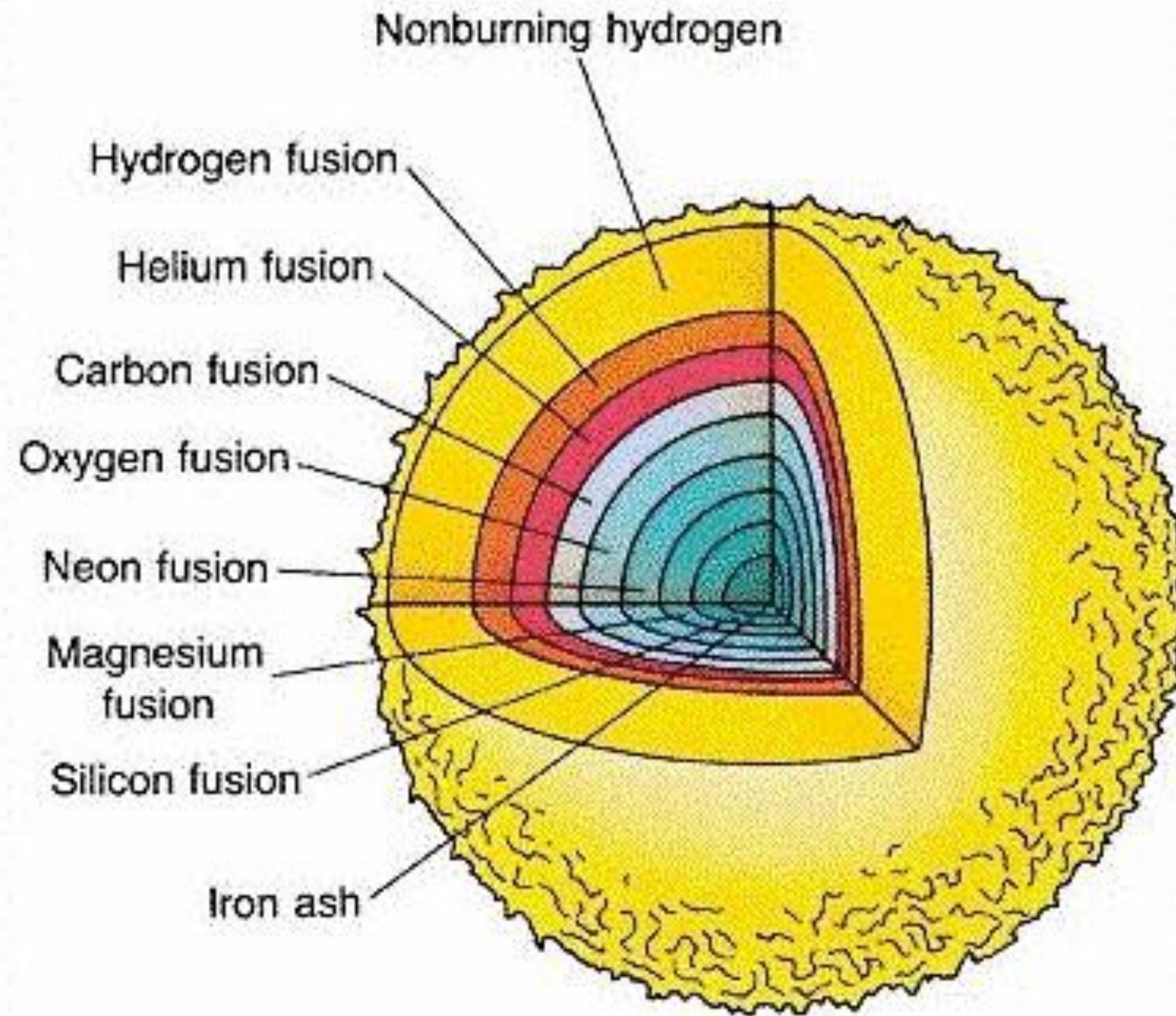
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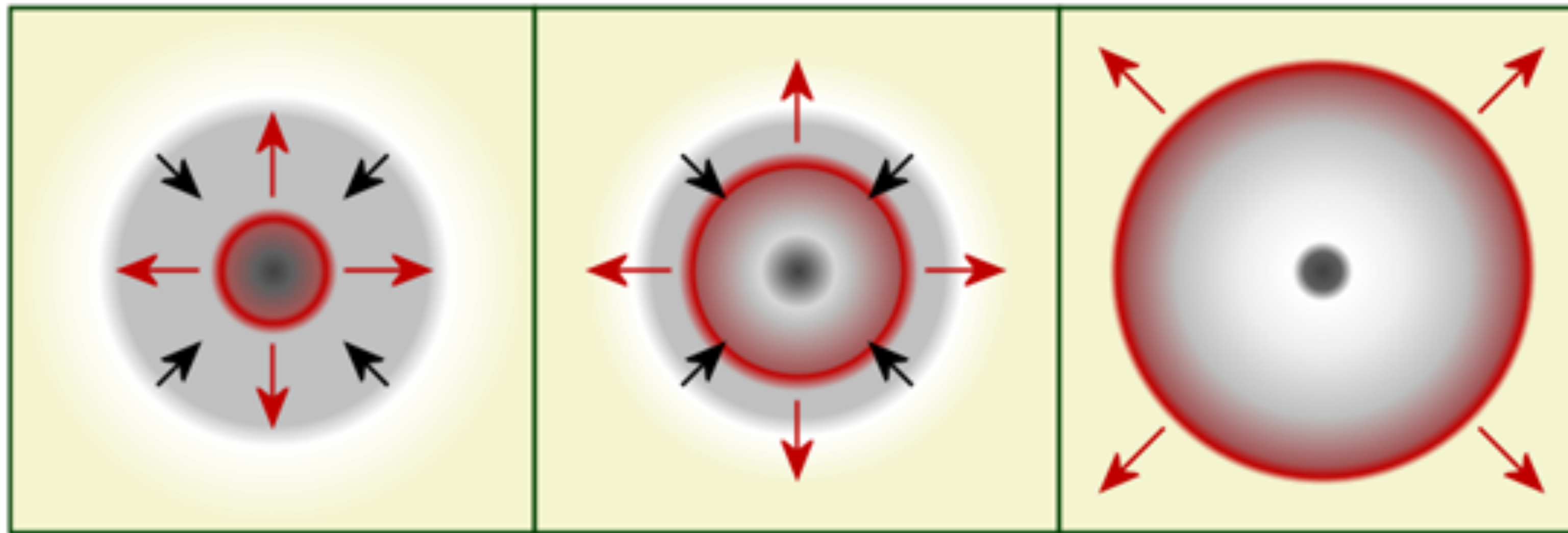
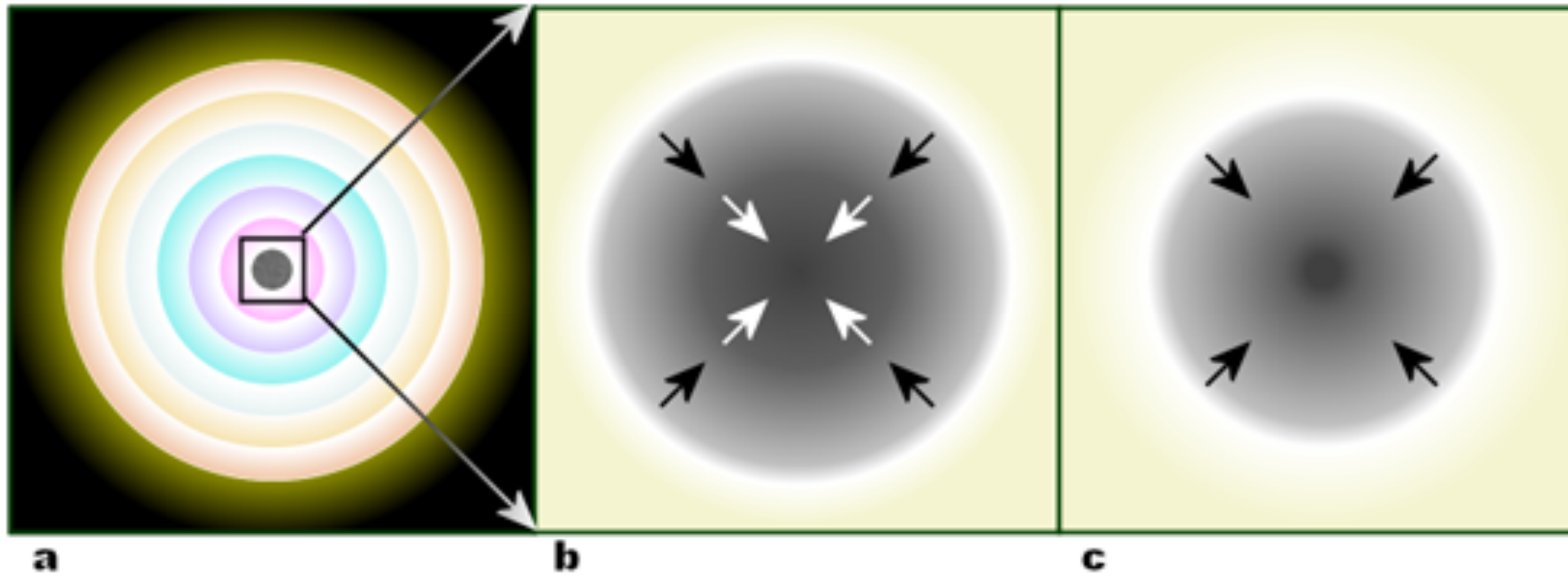
Also - see lectures
by Ulf Meissner

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He, C, O, ... Si burning produces energy until Iron (Fe)



d core collapse **e** supernova, shock-wave-aided **f** ejection of mantle

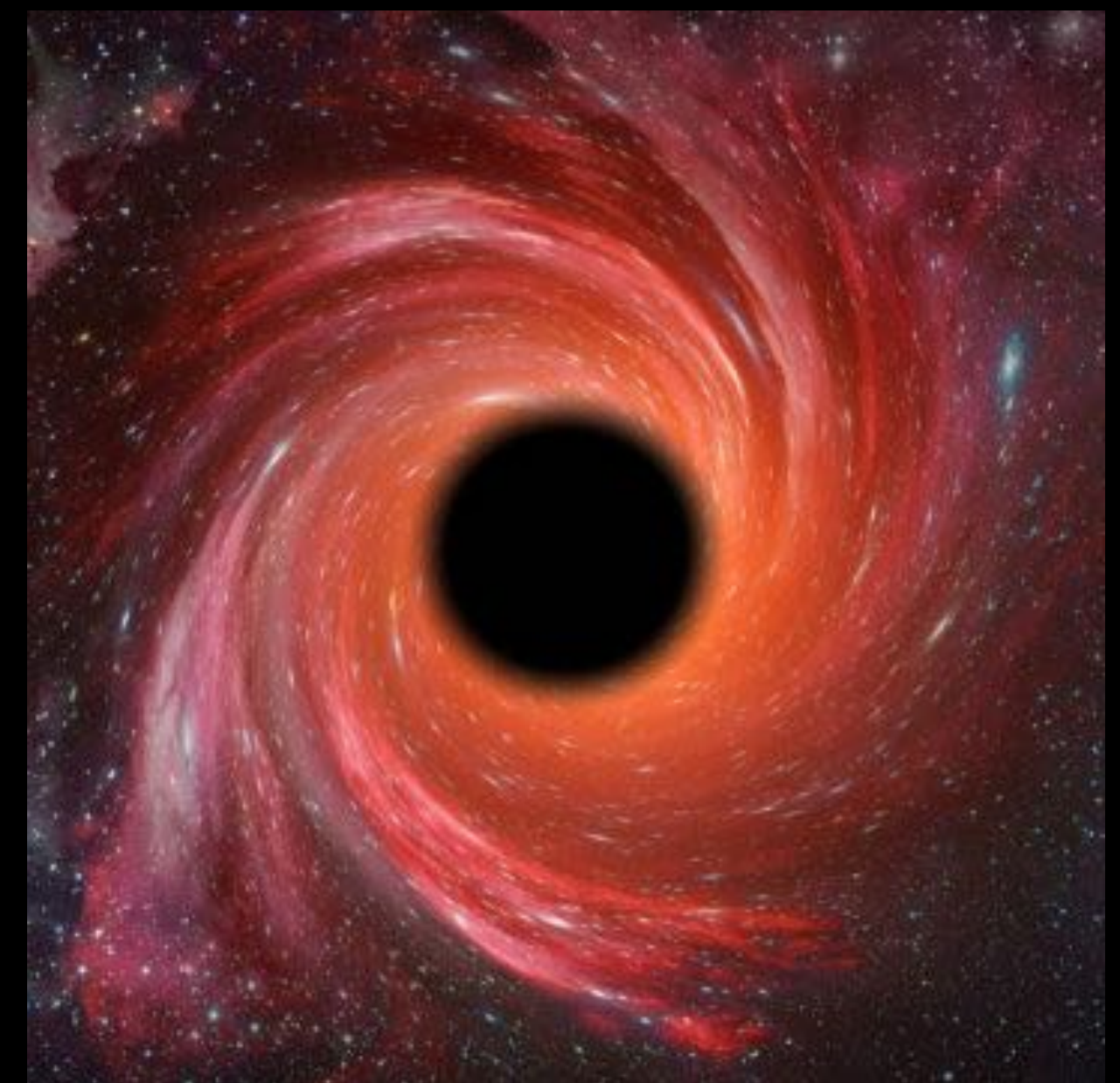
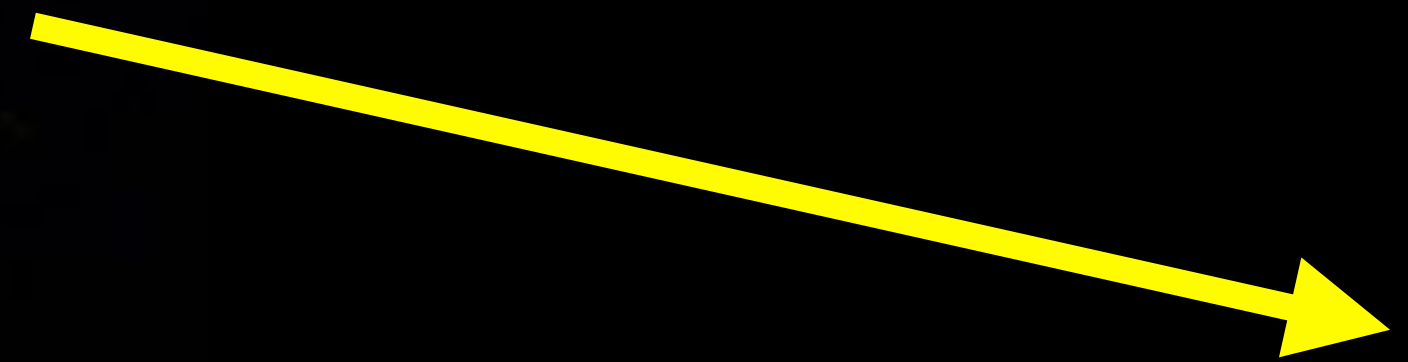
Supernova



neutron star



black hole



“We are all made of star stuff”

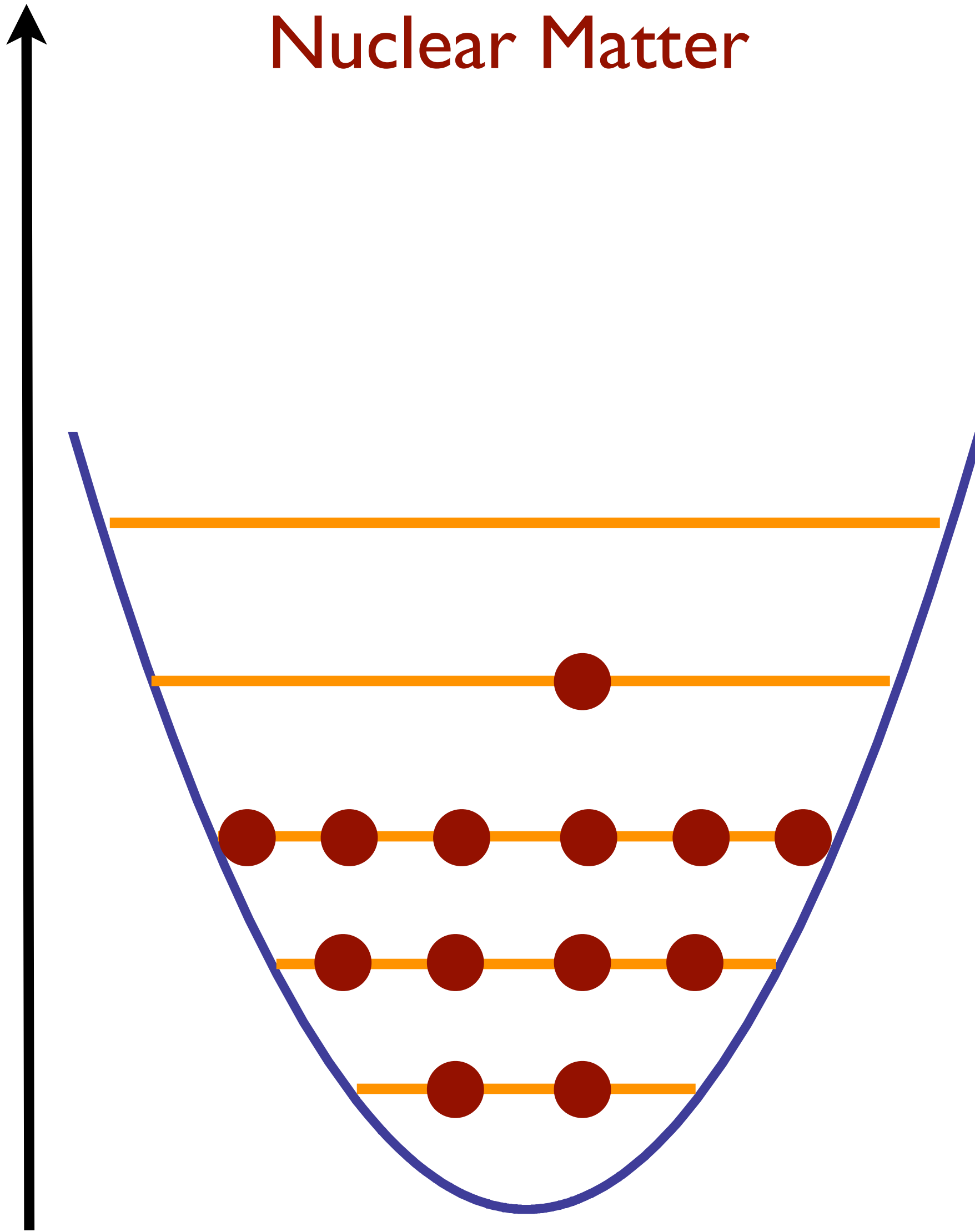
In Memoriam
Carl Sagan
1934-1996



much coming from the ejecta of supernova

mass/energy

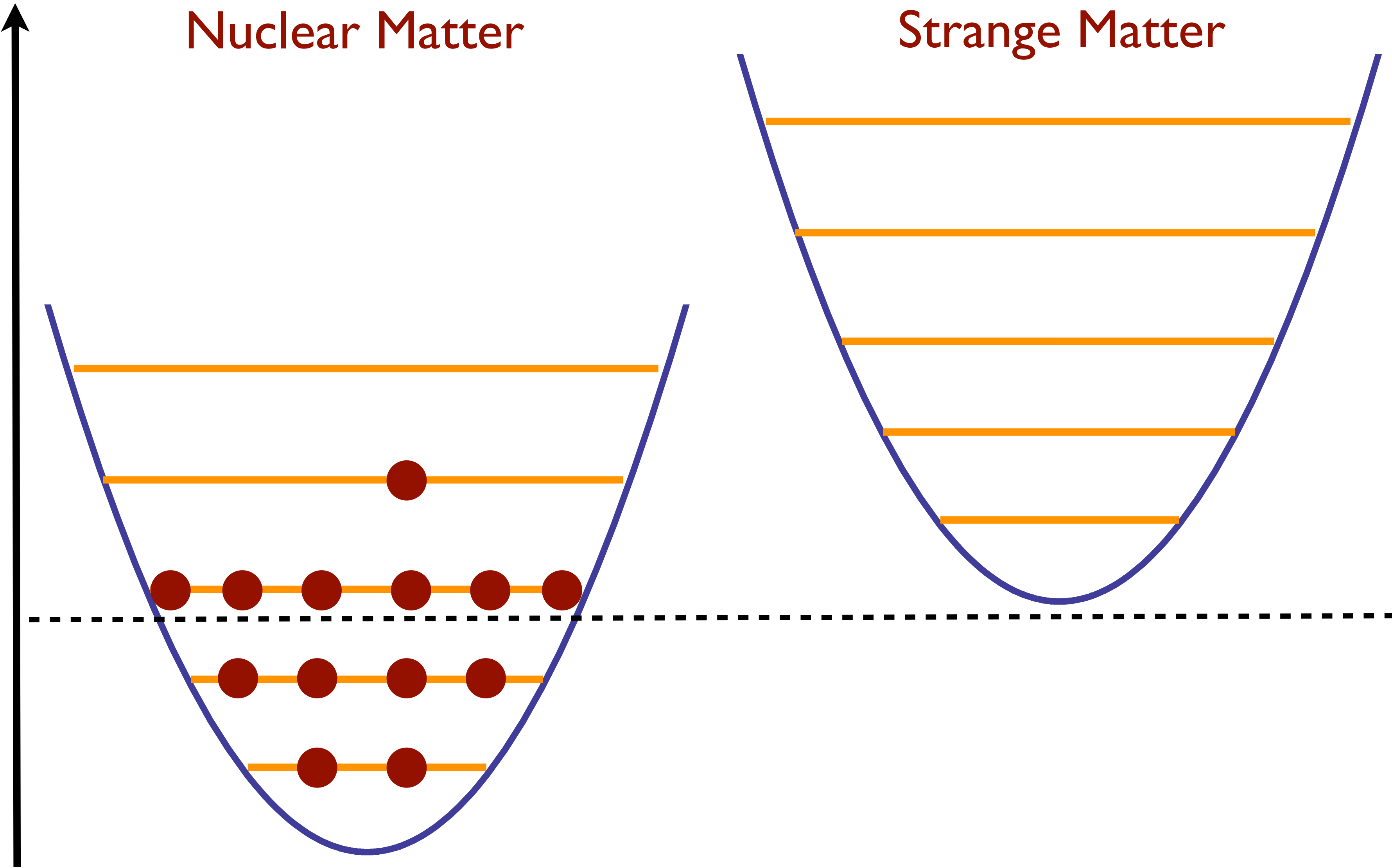
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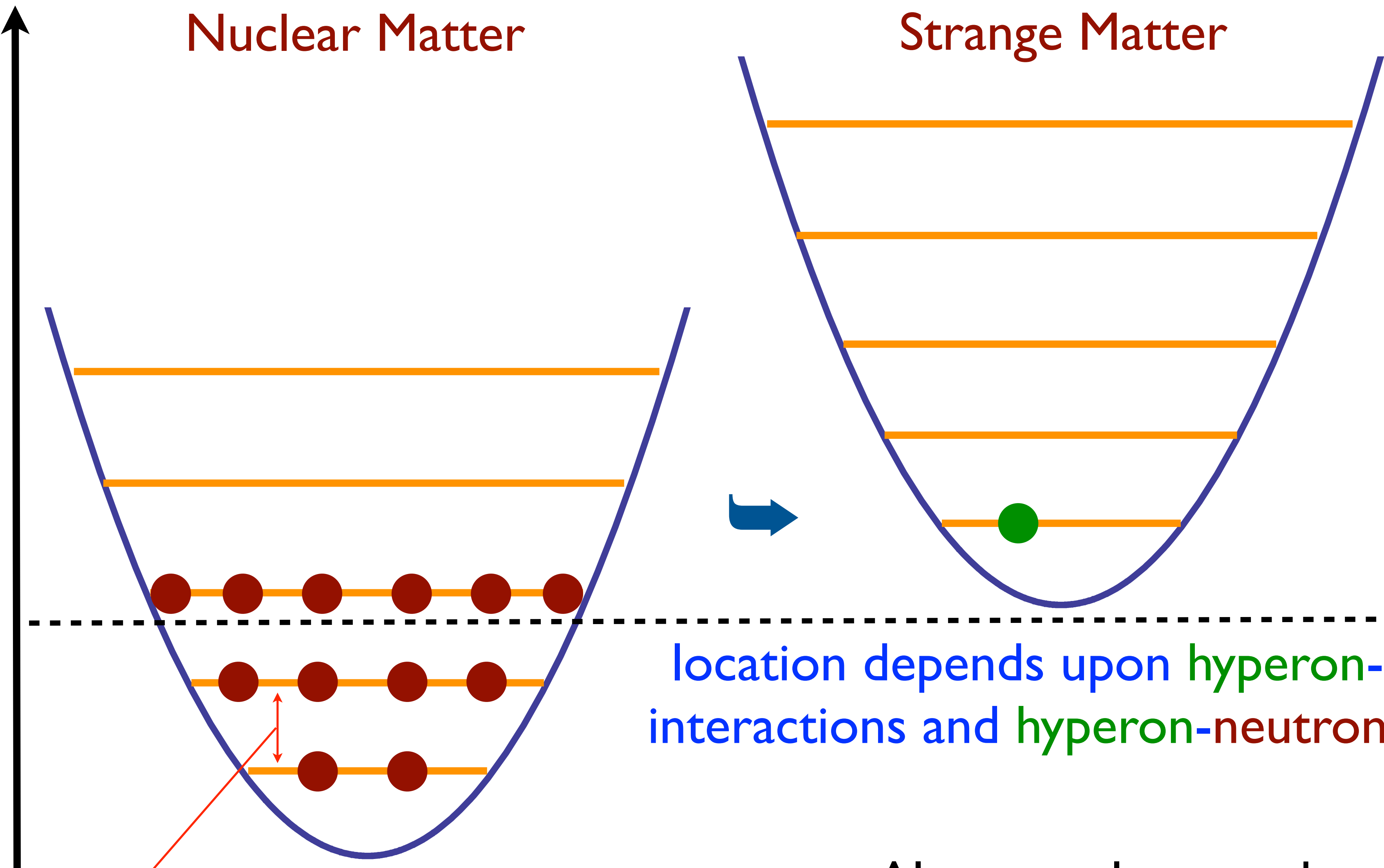
Strange Matter



mass/energy

Nuclear Matter

Strange Matter



Energy level spacing depends on 3-neutron interactions

location depends upon hyperon-nucleon interactions and hyperon-neutron-neutron

Also - see lectures by Sinya Aoki, Steve Sharpe



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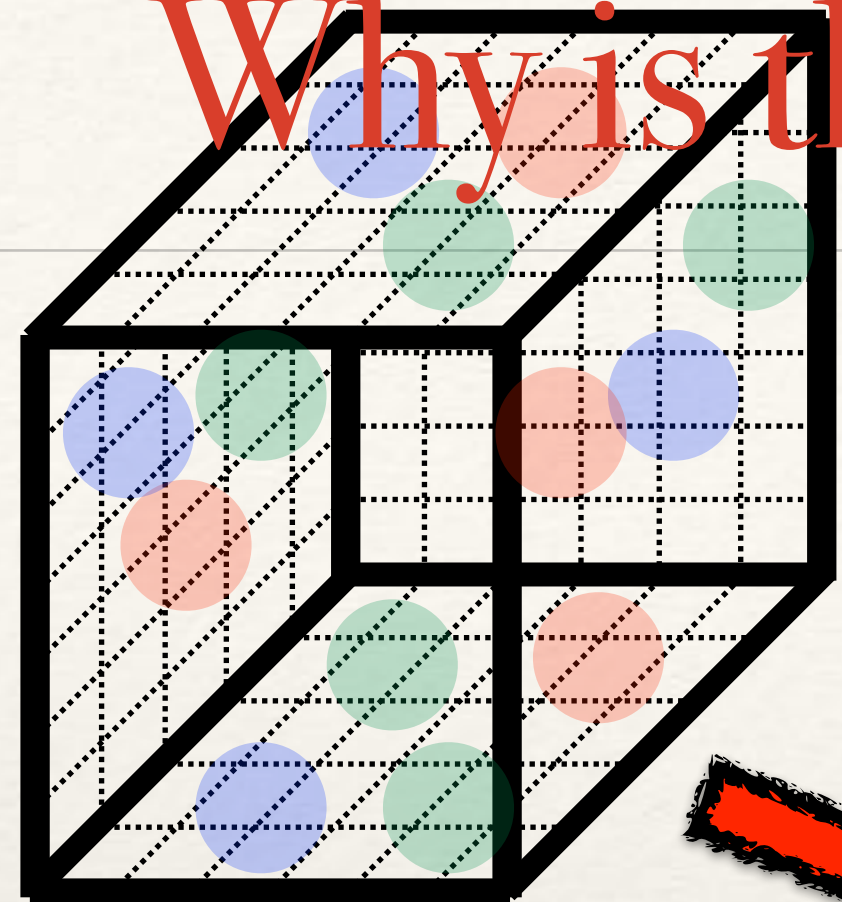
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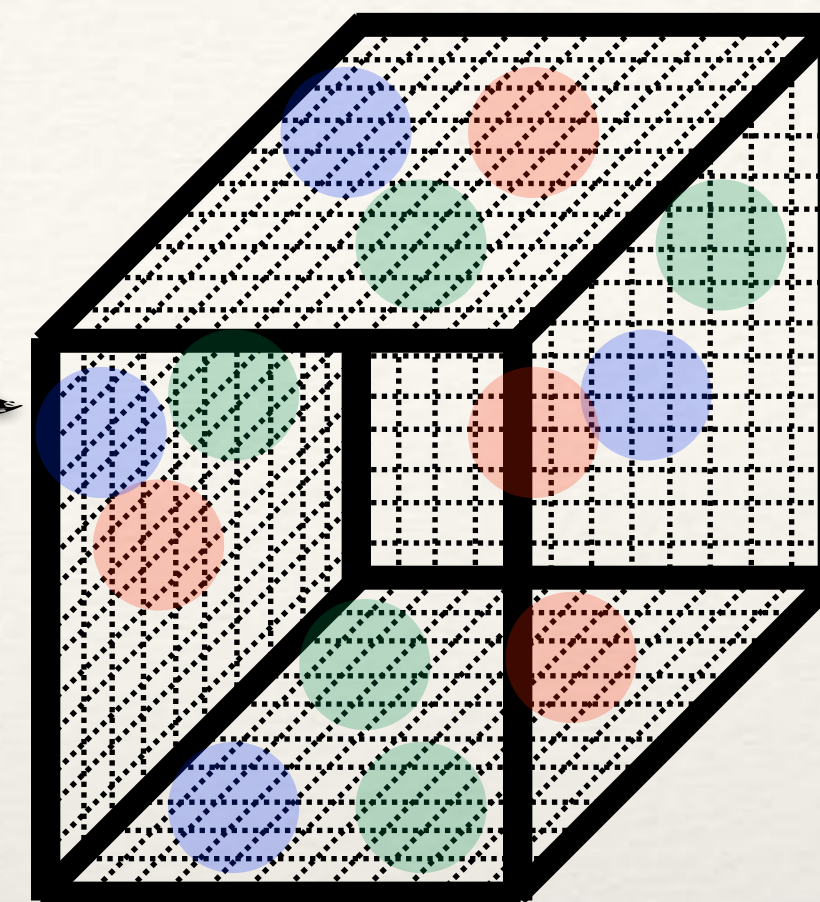
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continuum limit
need 3 or more
lattice spacings

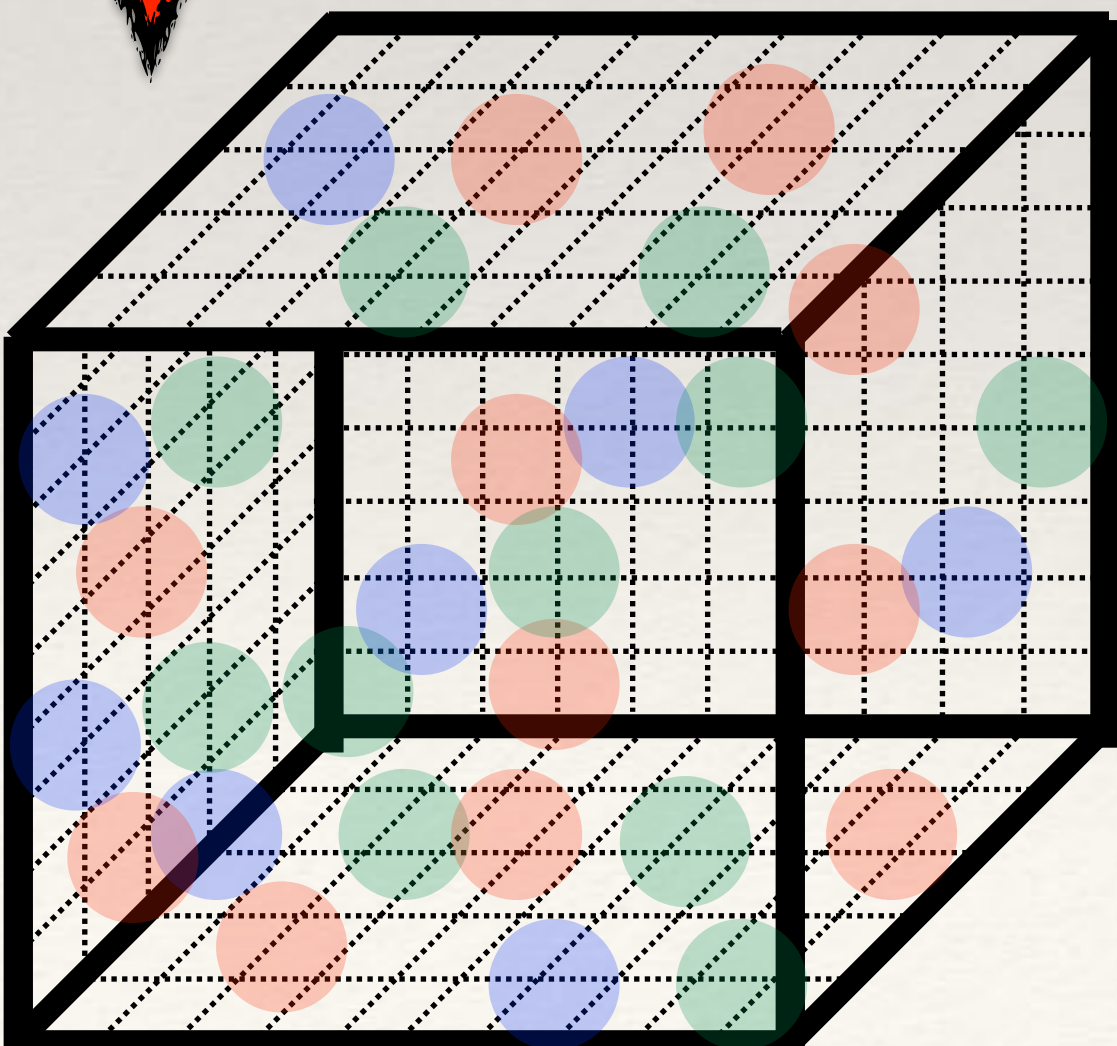
$$t_{comp} \propto \frac{1}{a^6}$$



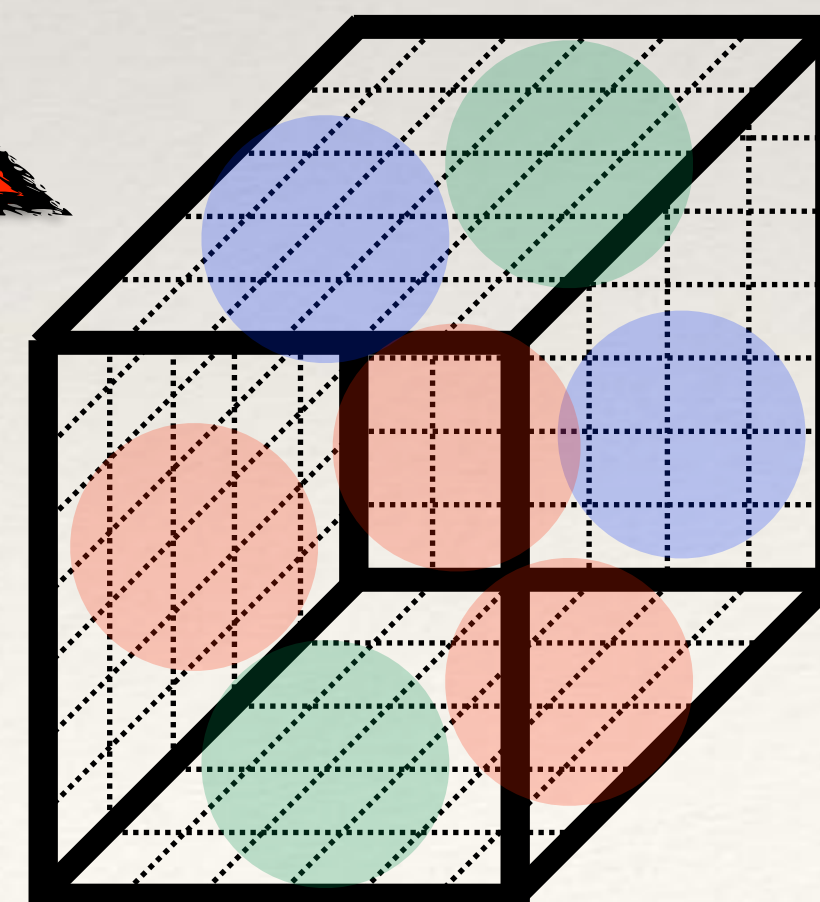
infinite volume limit

$$t_{comp} \propto V^{5/4}$$

$$V = N_L^3 \times N_T$$



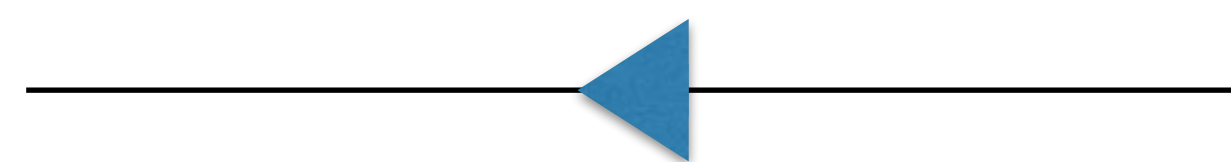
physical pion masses
exponentially bad
signal-to-noise problem



LQCD challenges for NP

Most difficult challenge: an **exponentially bad signal-to-noise** problem

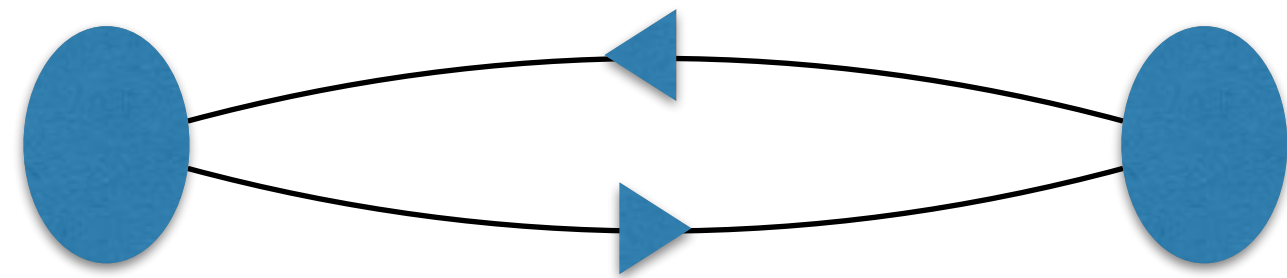
Parisi, Phys. Rep. 103 (1984) 203


 $\sim e^{-\frac{1}{2}m_\pi t} + e^{-\frac{1}{3}m_N t} + \dots$
Lepage, TASI 1989

Each **quark propagator** carries information about pions and nucleons
(conversations with David Kaplan)

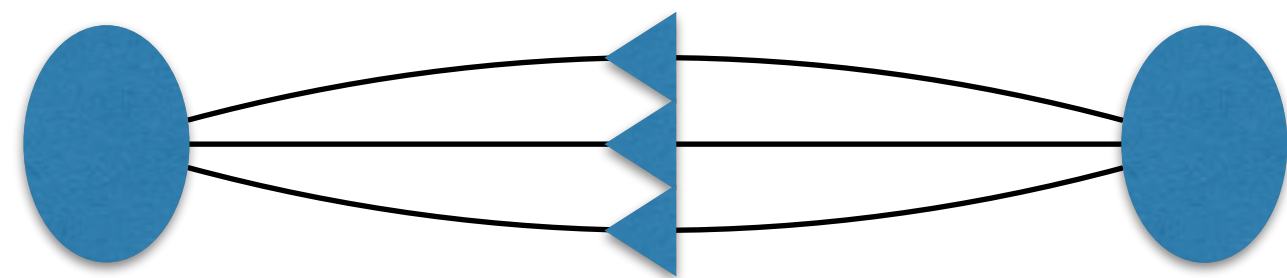
$$\lambda_\pi(t) \gg \lambda_N(t)$$

$$\lambda_i(t) \sim e^{-E_i t}$$



$$\bar{d}\gamma_5 u : C(t) = A_\pi e^{-m_\pi t} + \dots$$

Large pion eigenvalues must cancel to expose small nucleon eigenvalues



$$(u^T C \gamma_5 d)u : C(t) = A_N e^{-m_N t} + \dots$$

$$\frac{\text{Signal}}{\text{Noise}} \sim \sqrt{N} \exp \left[-A \left(m_N - \frac{3}{2} m_\pi \right) t \right] \longrightarrow \text{exponential noise power-law statistics}$$

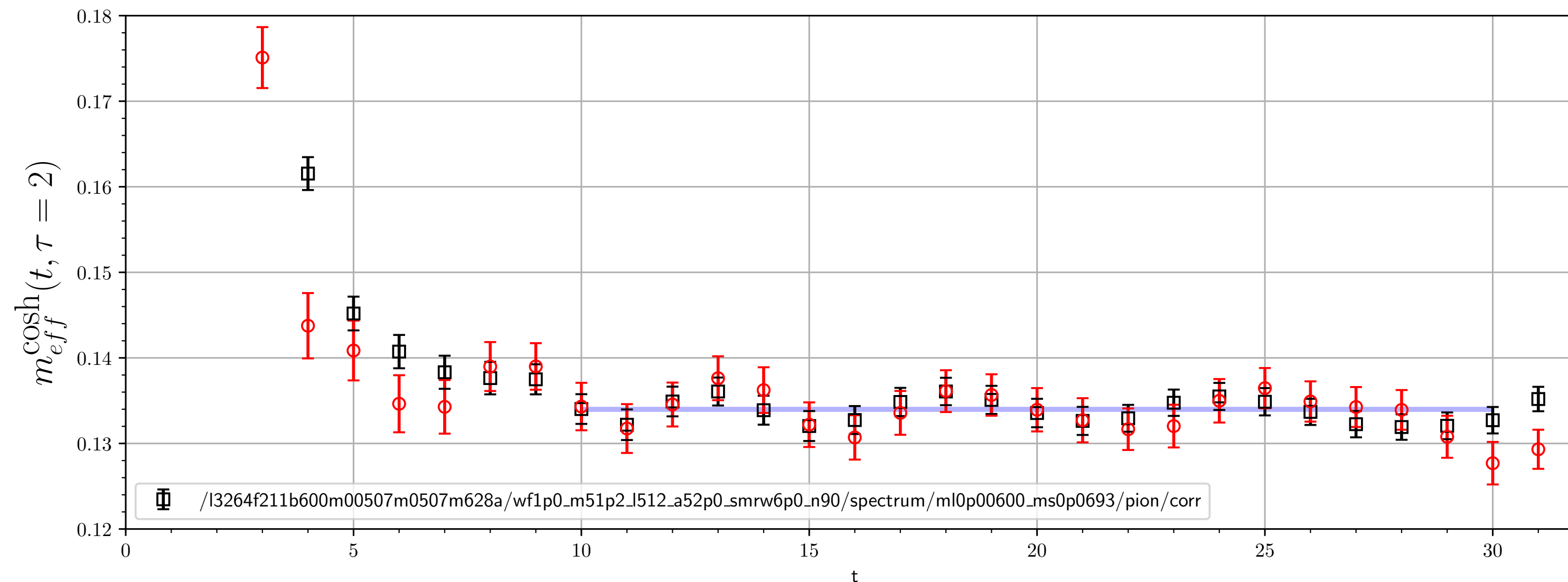
LQCD challenges for NP

2-point correlation function

$$C(t) = \sum_n z_n z_n^\dagger e^{-E_n t}$$
$$m_{eff}(t) = \frac{1}{\tau} \ln \left(\frac{C(t)}{C(t+\tau)} \right)$$

For pions, need to consider leading finite temperature effects

$$C(t) = \sum_n z_n z_n^\dagger \left(e^{-E_n t} + e^{-E_n (T-t)} \right)$$
$$m_{eff}^{\cosh}(t, \tau) = \frac{1}{\tau} \cosh^{-1} \left(\frac{C(t+\tau) + C(t-\tau)}{2C(t)} \right)$$



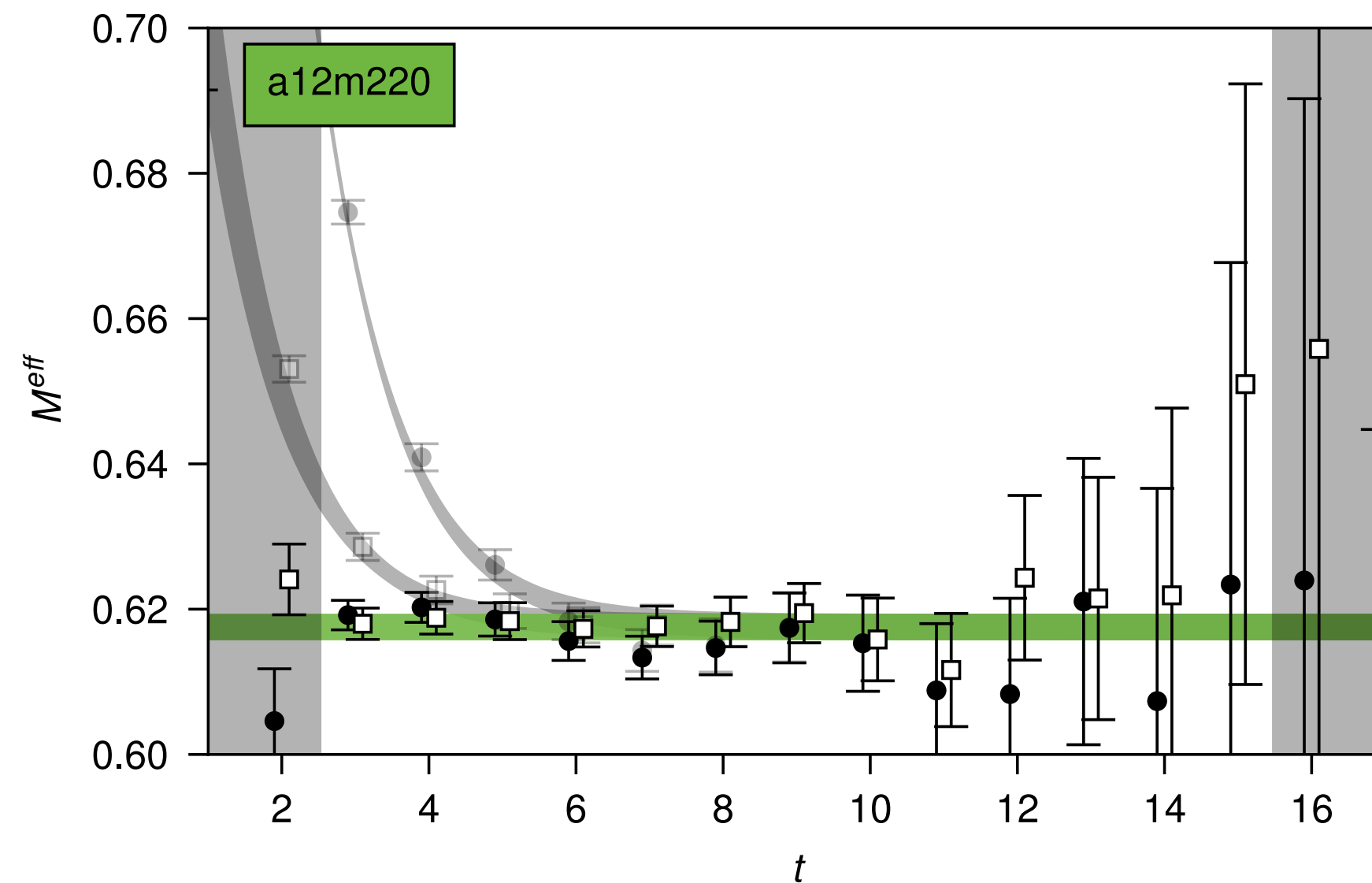
Effective mass of **Pion** 2-point correlation function

red and black “data” are from different choices of *interpolating* operators

Noise is constant in time - can determine very clean ground state (**blue band**)

LQCD challenges for NP

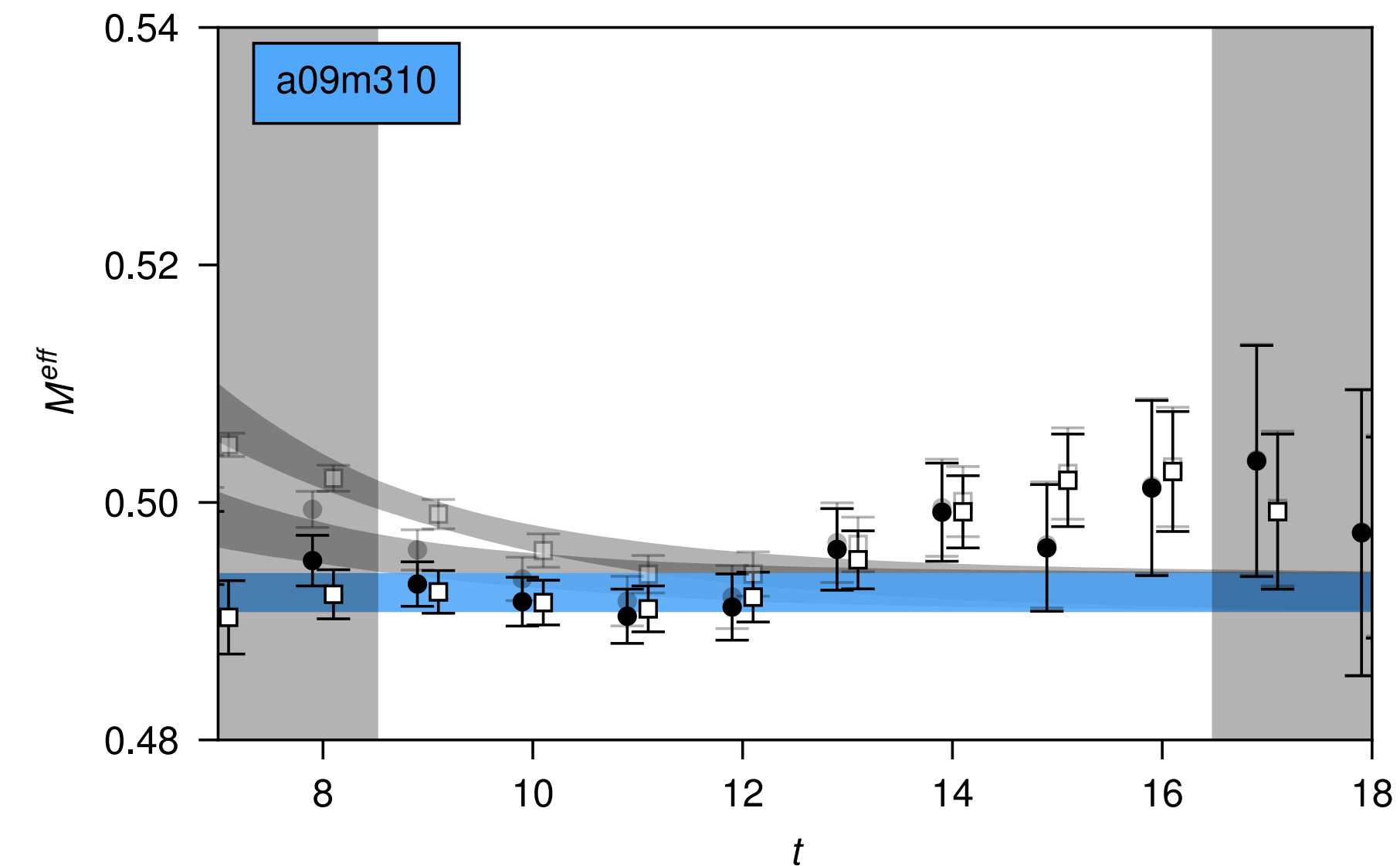
2-point correlation function



Two examples of **nucleon** effective mass

Noise is growing in time - can not simply go to the long-time limit without exponentially increasing the amount of statistics needed

$$\frac{\text{Signal}}{\text{Noise}} \rightarrow \sqrt{N_{\text{stat}}} e^{-(m_N - \frac{3}{2}m_\pi)t}$$



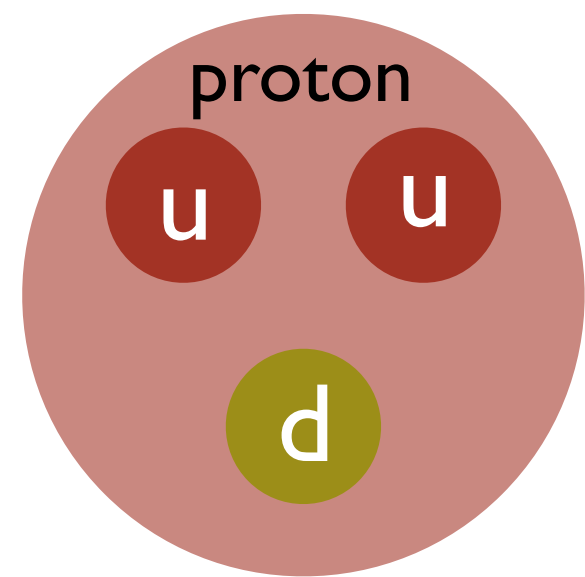
Correlated late-time fluctuations... what is the ground state?

Need sophisticated analysis to ensure you are not susceptible to correlated fluctuations

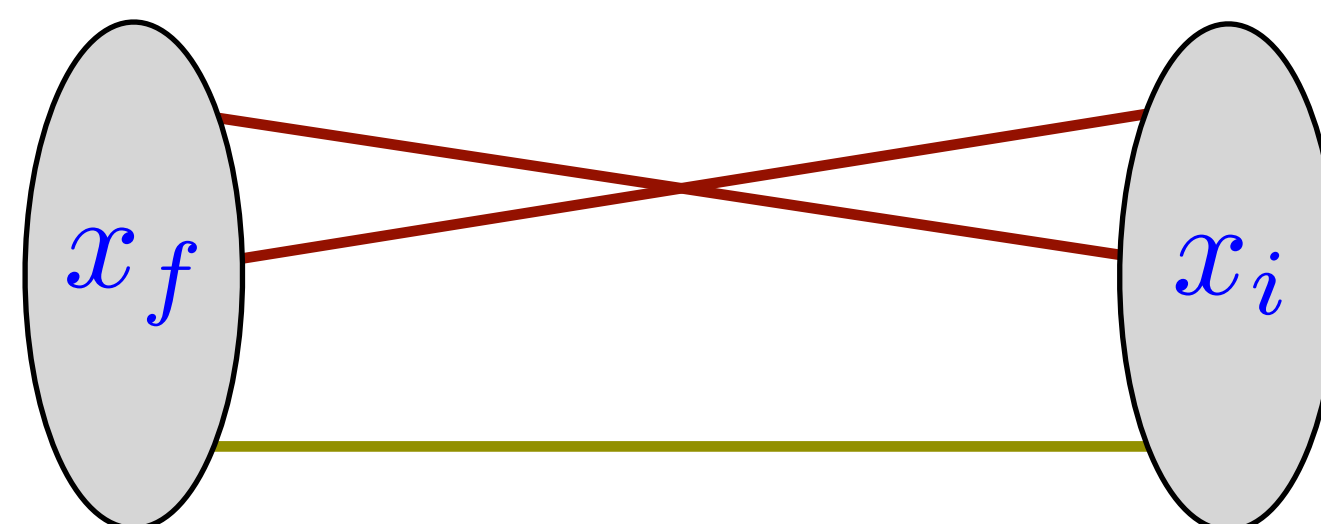
This problem is exacerbated with form-factor calculations (g_A) and 2+ nucleons

- quark contraction cost becomes dominant
- density of excited states grows significantly and gap becomes small (nuclear interaction energies instead of pion mass gap)

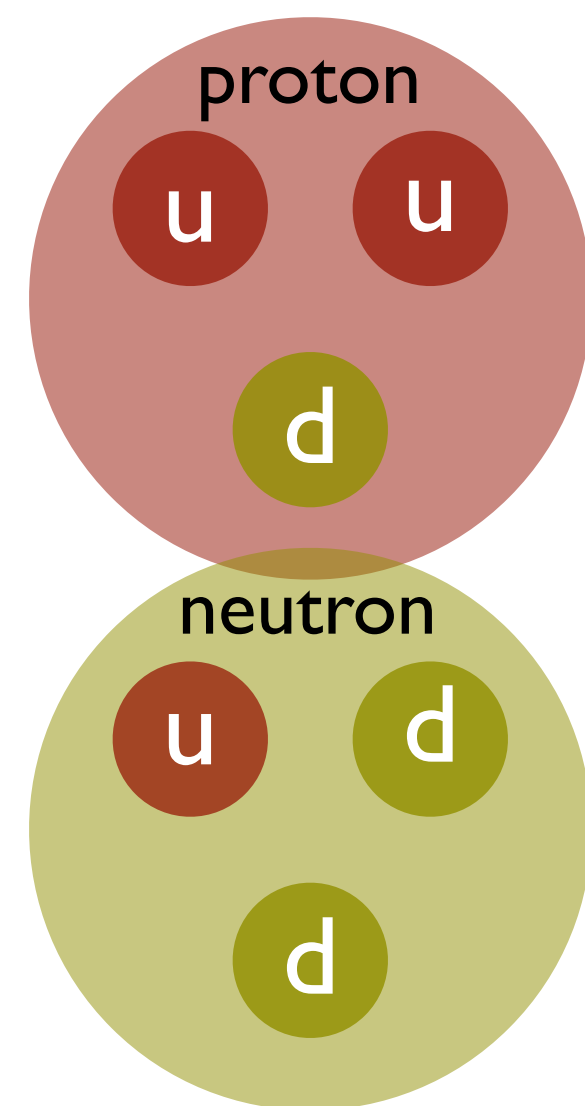
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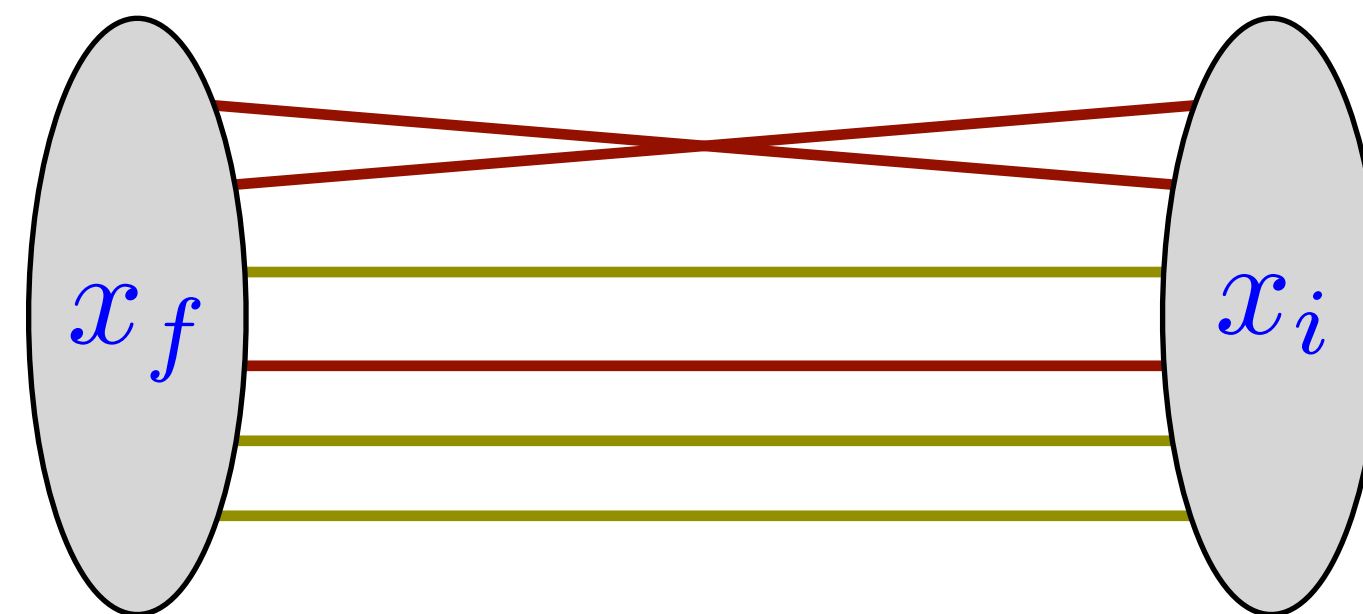
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$2! \times 1! = 2$
contractions



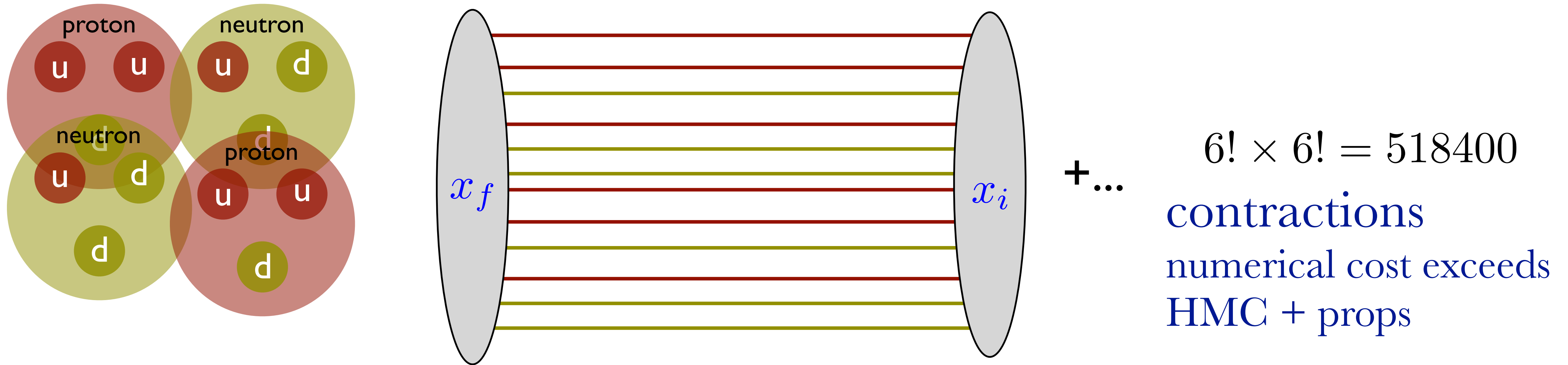
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$3! \times 3! = 36$
contractions

+...

LQCD challenges for NP

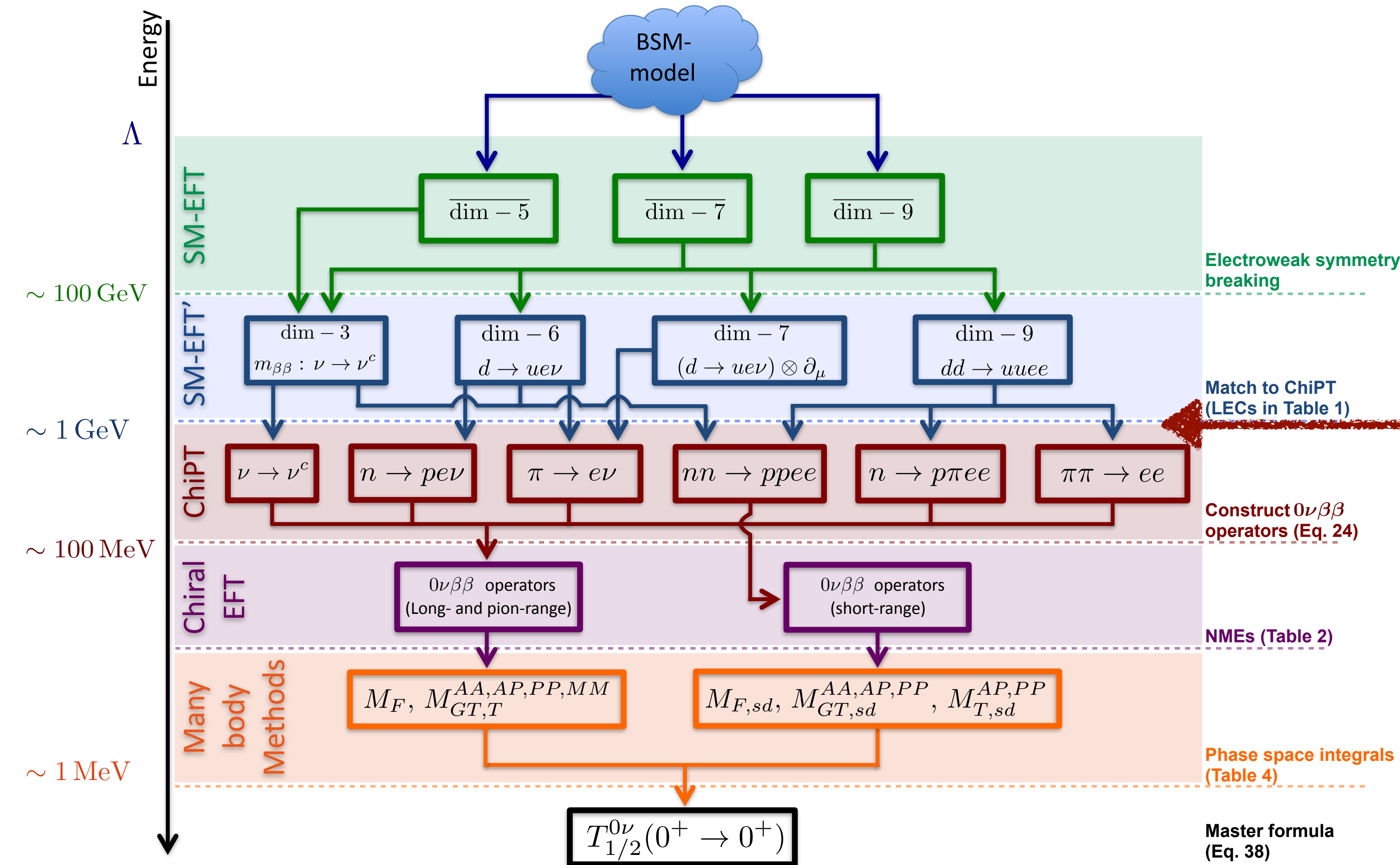


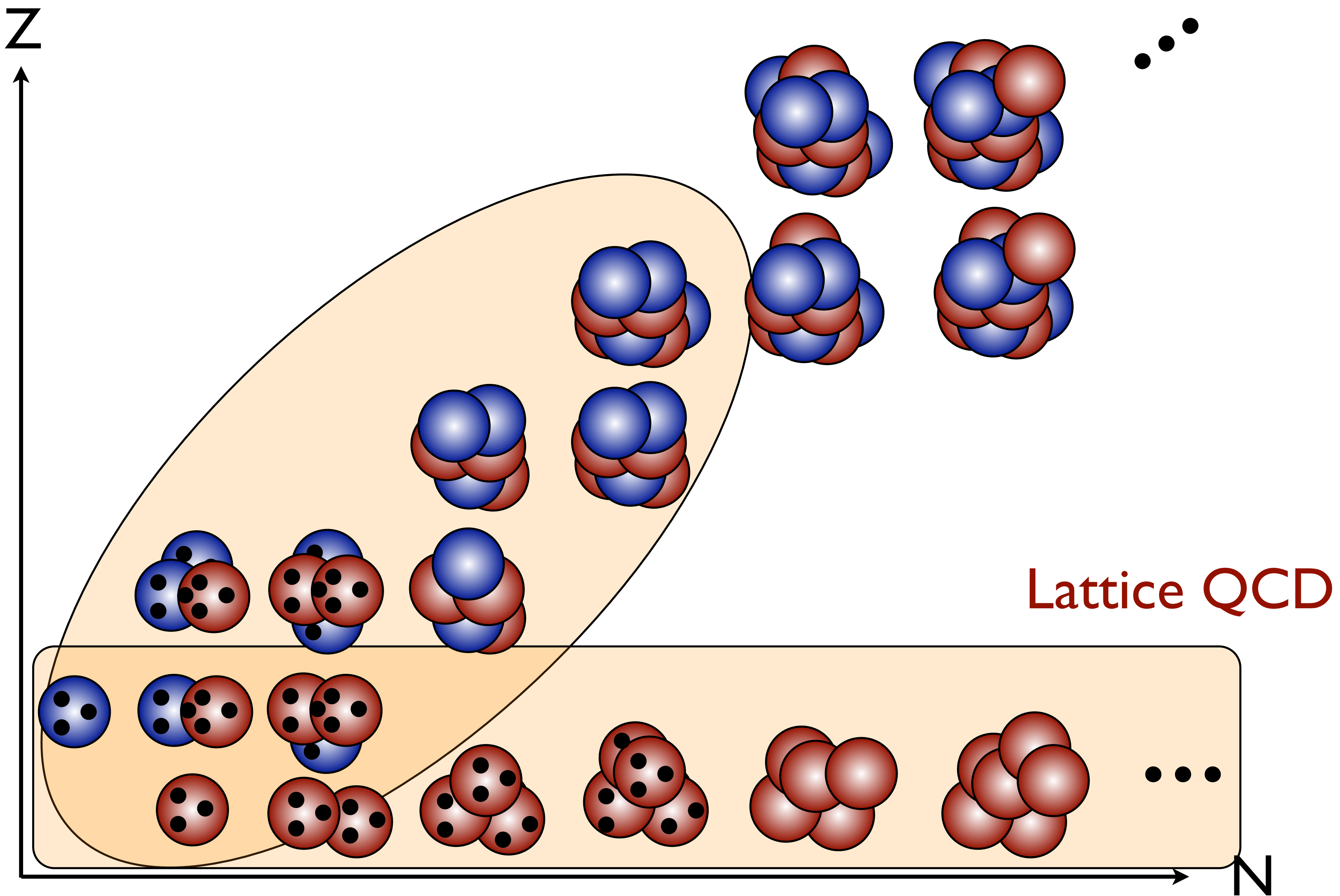
LQCD and EFT

Example from $0\nu\beta\beta$

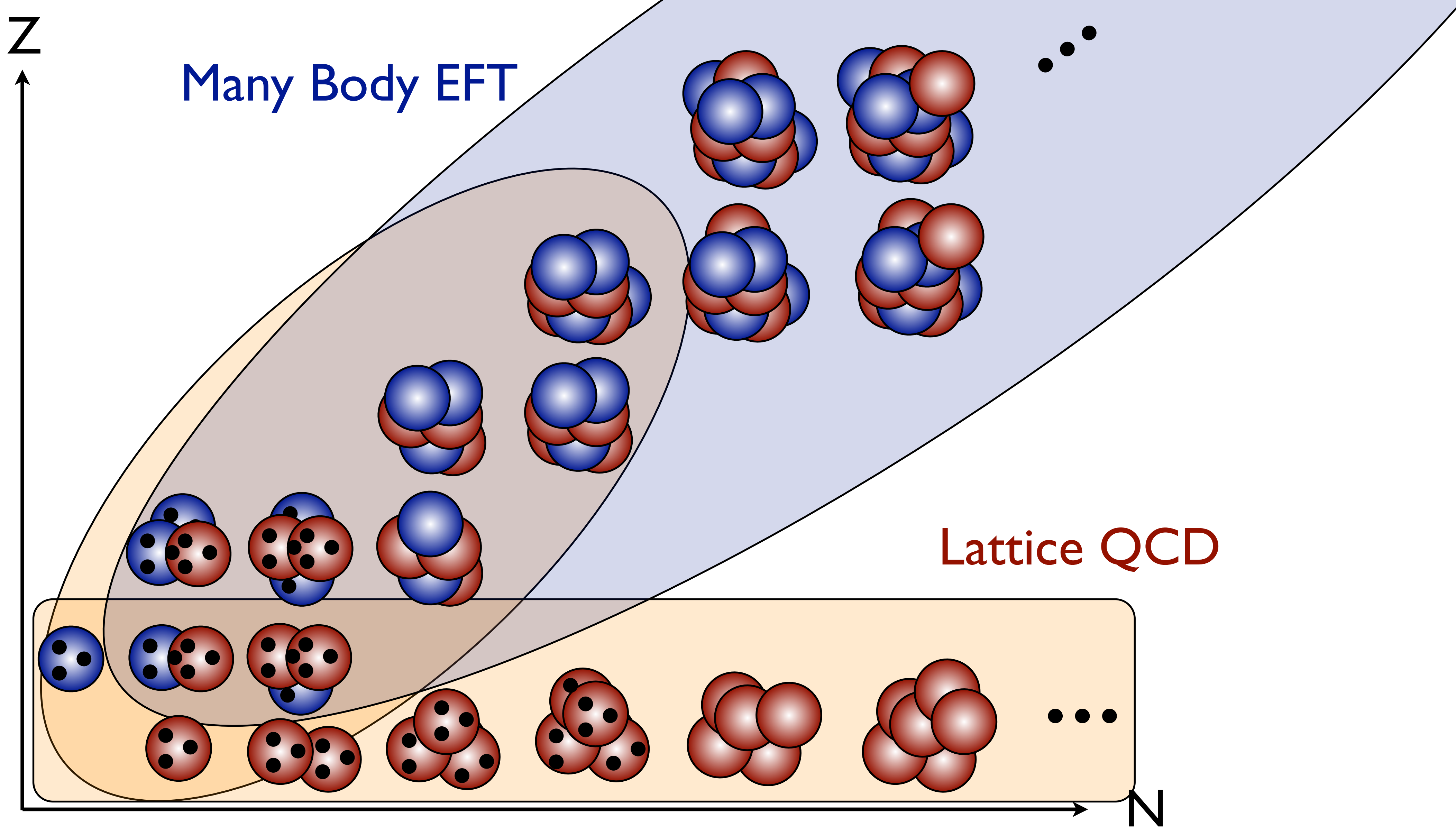
Cirigliano, Dekens, de Vries, Graesser, Mereghetti, arXiv:1806.02780

- LQCD is used at the interface between QCD-level operators and Chiral Perturbation Theory
- Combining LQCD + EFT greatly extends the reach of application and prediction





Determine 2, 3, 4 body forces directly from QCD



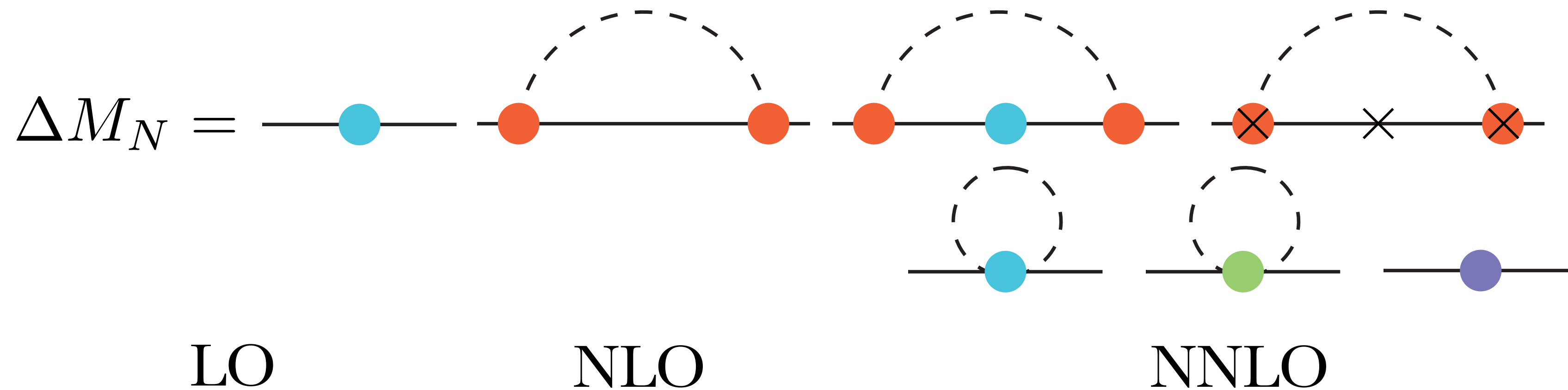
Determine 2, 3, 4 body forces directly from QCD
match onto many body effective field theory

HB χ PT for M_N up to NNLO

AWL arXiv:hep-lat/0405007

B.C. Tiburzi, AWL arXiv:hep-lat/0501018

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{N\pi} = & \bar{N} i v \cdot D N - \frac{\alpha_N}{4\pi F} \bar{N} \mathcal{M}_+ N - \frac{\sigma_N}{4\pi F} \bar{N} N \text{tr}(\mathcal{M}_+) + 2g_A^{\text{LO}} \bar{N} S \cdot \mathcal{A} N \\
 & - \bar{N} \frac{D_\perp^2}{2M_0} N + g_A^{\text{LO}} \left(\bar{N} \frac{i \overleftarrow{D} \cdot S}{M_0} v \cdot \mathcal{A} N + \bar{N} v \cdot \mathcal{A} \frac{S \cdot i \overrightarrow{D}}{M_0} N \right) + \frac{b_A}{4\pi F} \bar{N} N \text{tr}(\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{A}) + \frac{b_{vA}}{4\pi F} \bar{N} N \text{tr}(v \cdot \mathcal{A} v \cdot \mathcal{A}) \\
 & + \frac{b_1}{(4\pi F)^3} \bar{N} \mathcal{M}_+^2 N + \frac{b_2}{(4\pi F)^3} \bar{N} N \text{tr}(\mathcal{M}_+^2) + \frac{b_3}{(4\pi F)^3} \bar{N} \mathcal{M}_+ N \text{tr}(\mathcal{M}_+) + \frac{b_4}{(4\pi F)^3} \bar{N} N [\text{tr}(\mathcal{M}_+)]^2
 \end{aligned}$$

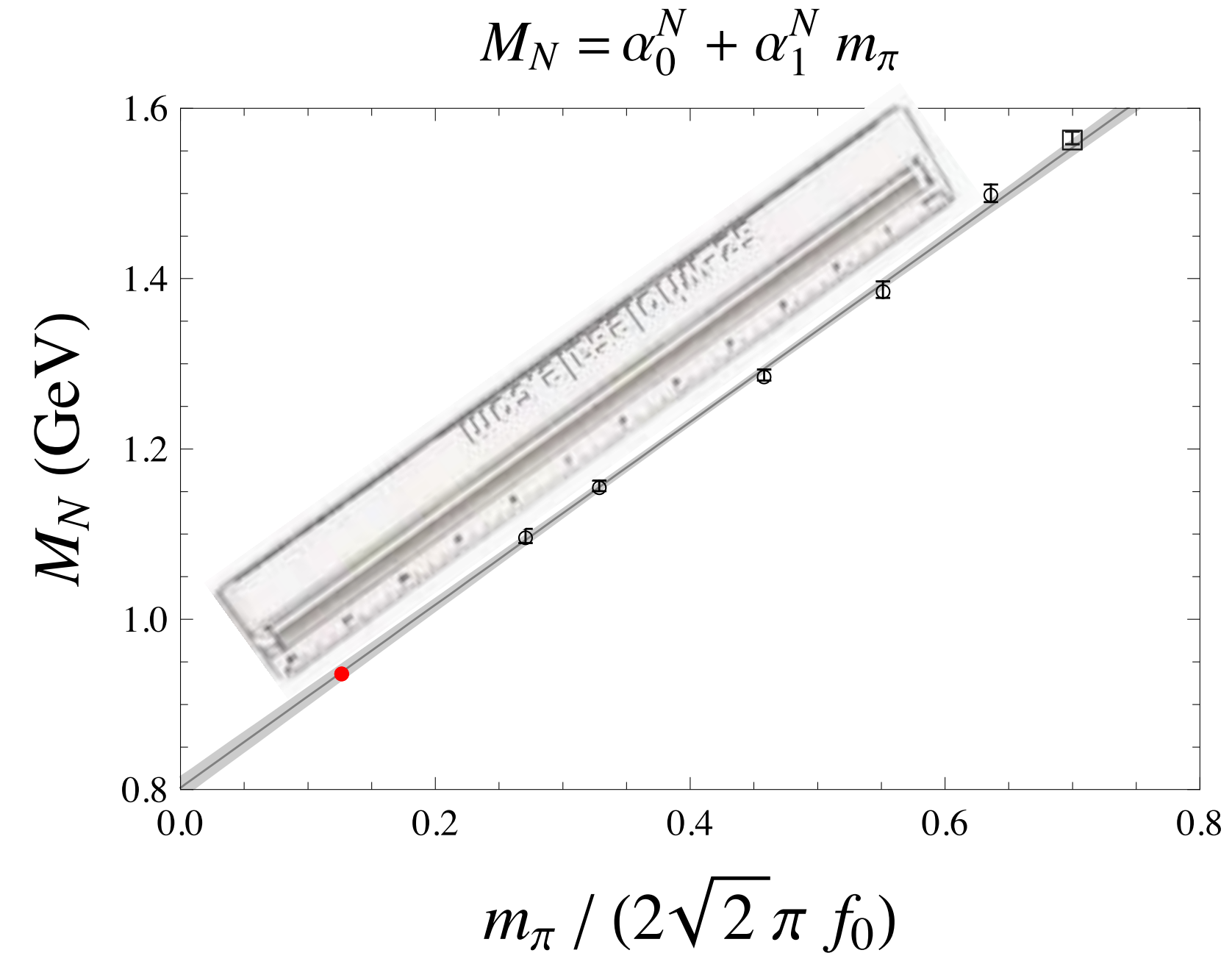
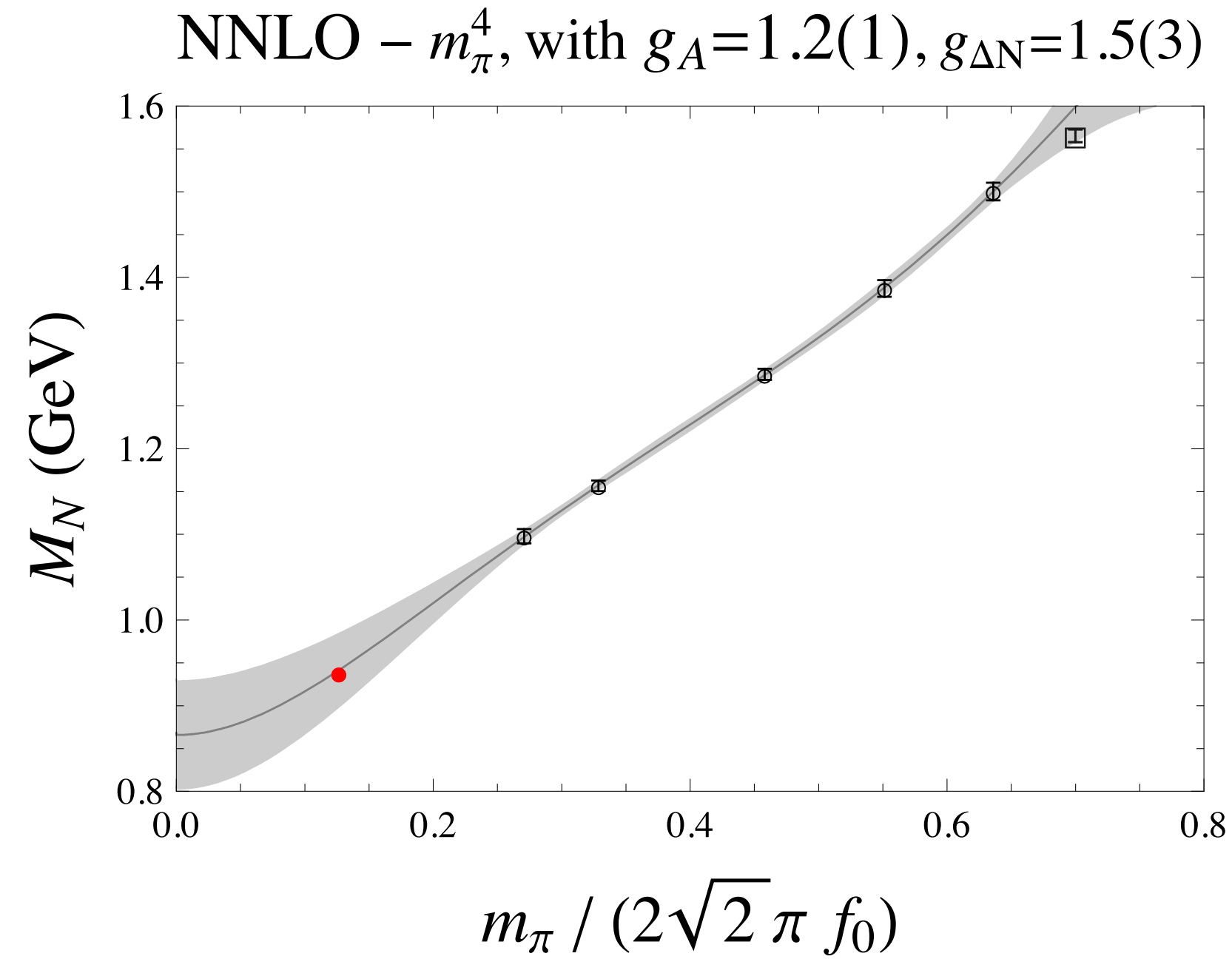


$$\frac{m_\pi^2}{4\pi F_\pi}$$

$$-\frac{3\pi g_A^2}{2} \frac{m_\pi^3}{(4\pi F_\pi)^2}$$

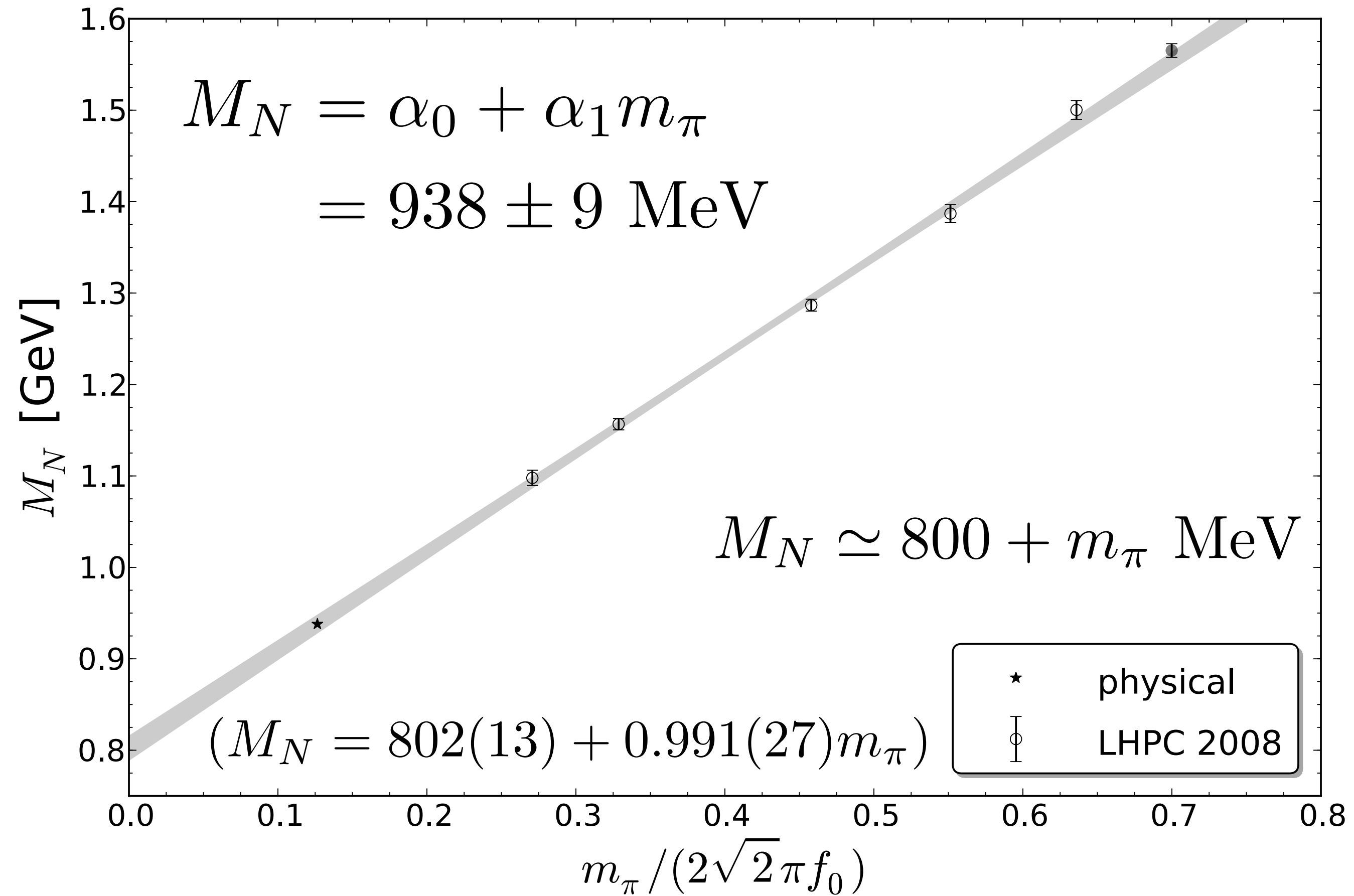
$$\frac{m_\pi^4}{(4\pi F_\pi)^3} \ln \left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{(4\pi F_\pi)^2} \right)$$

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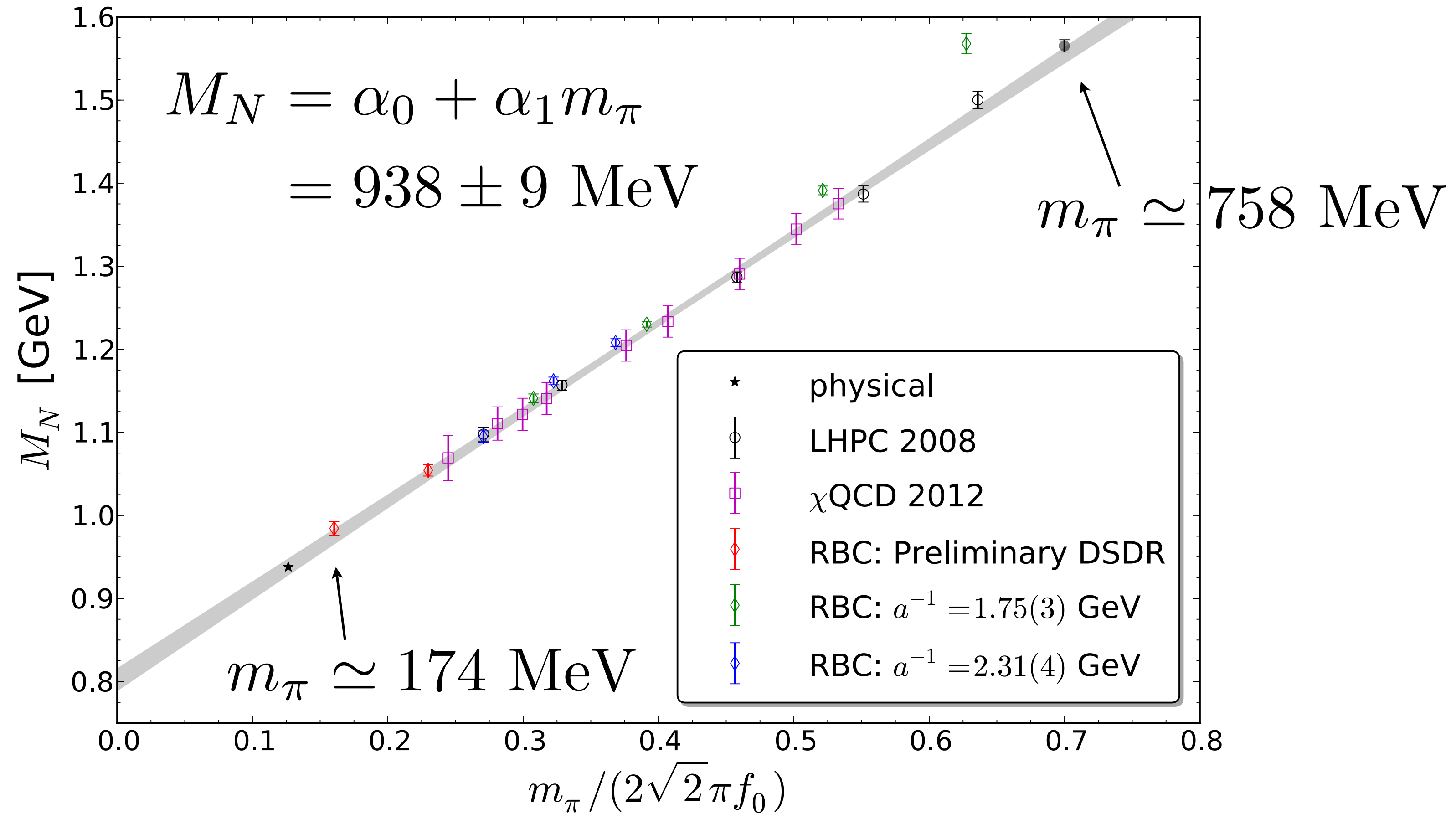
- Is this a lattice artifact? Or a conspiracy of QCD?
- All lattice calculations in 2008 with 2+1 dynamical fermion showed this linear pion mass dependence

What is the status now (2012)?



Physical point **NOT** included in fit

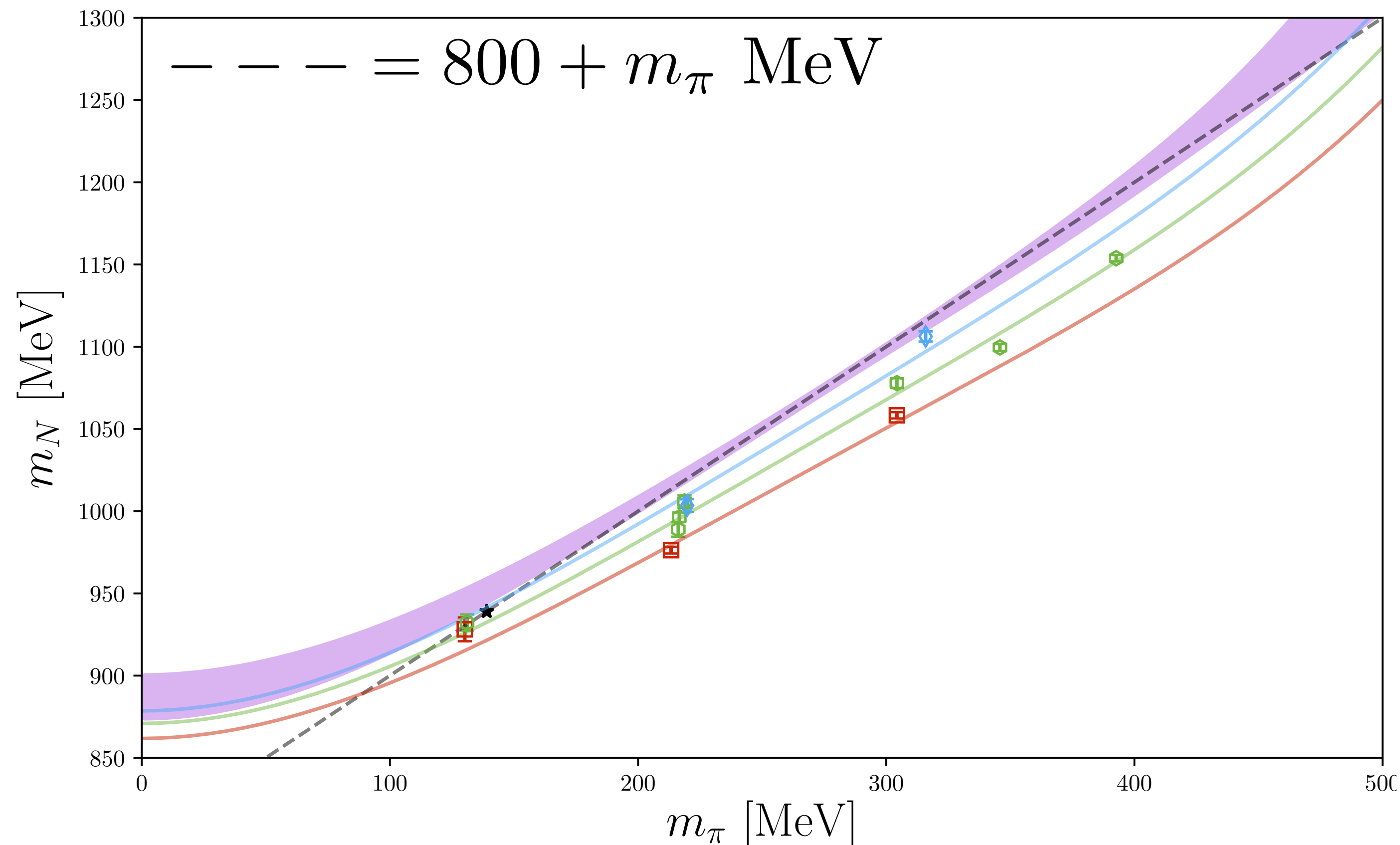
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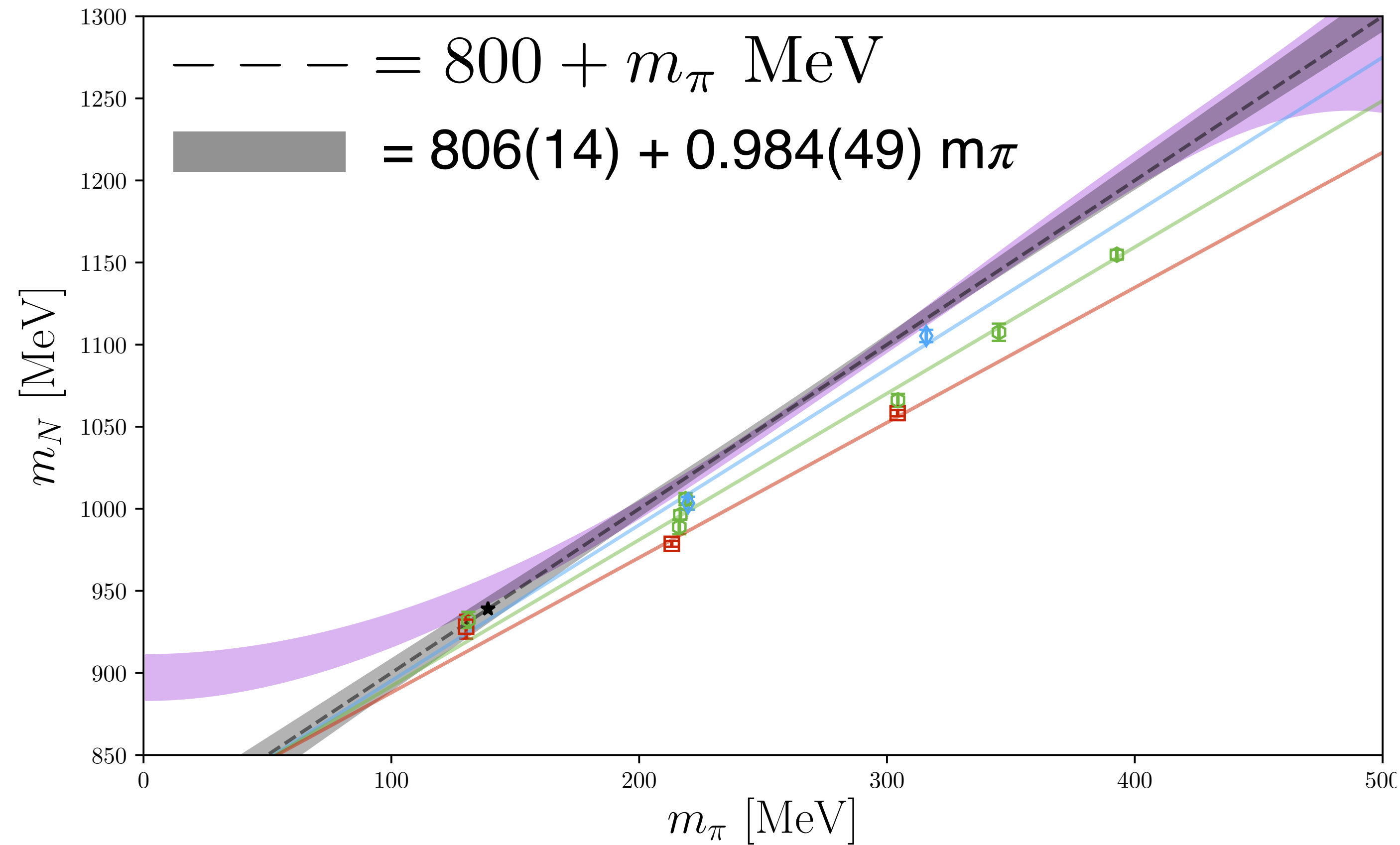
Taking this seriously yields

$\sigma_{\pi N} = 67 \pm 4 \text{ MeV}$

$M_N \simeq 800 + m_\pi \text{ MeV}$
 $(M_N = 802(13) + 0.991(27)m_\pi)$



- NNLO fit $O(m_\pi^4) + a^2/\omega_0^2 + a^2/\omega_0^2 \times m_\pi^2/(4\pi F)$
- gA taken from our calculation
- continuum, infinite volume extrapolated mass is consistent with RULER

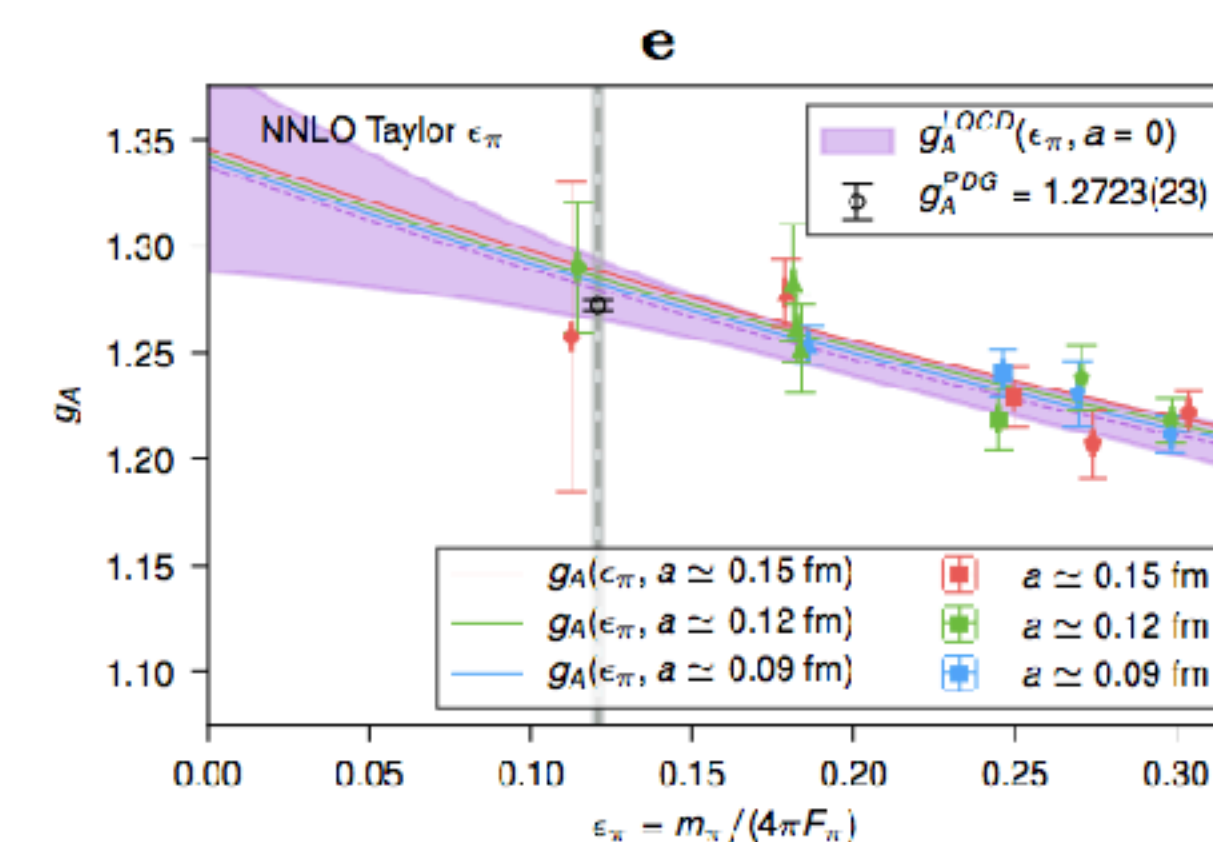
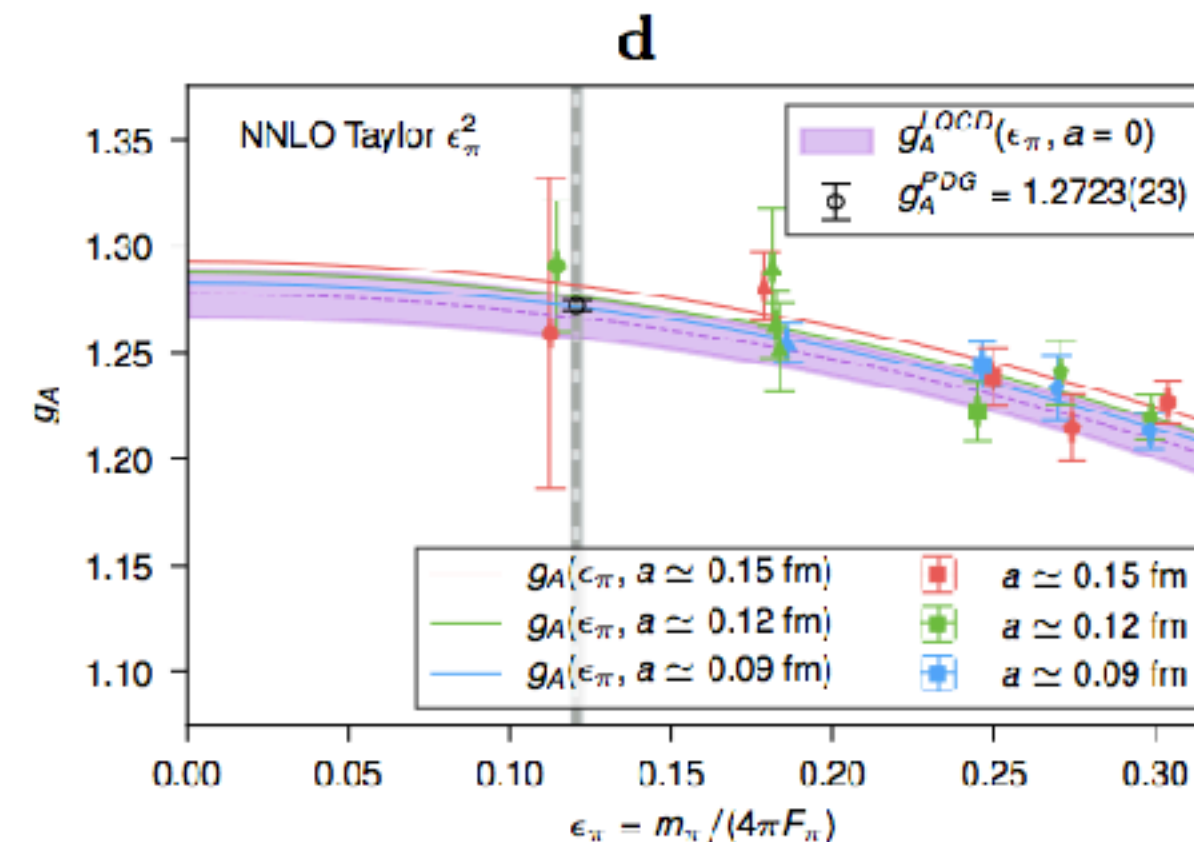
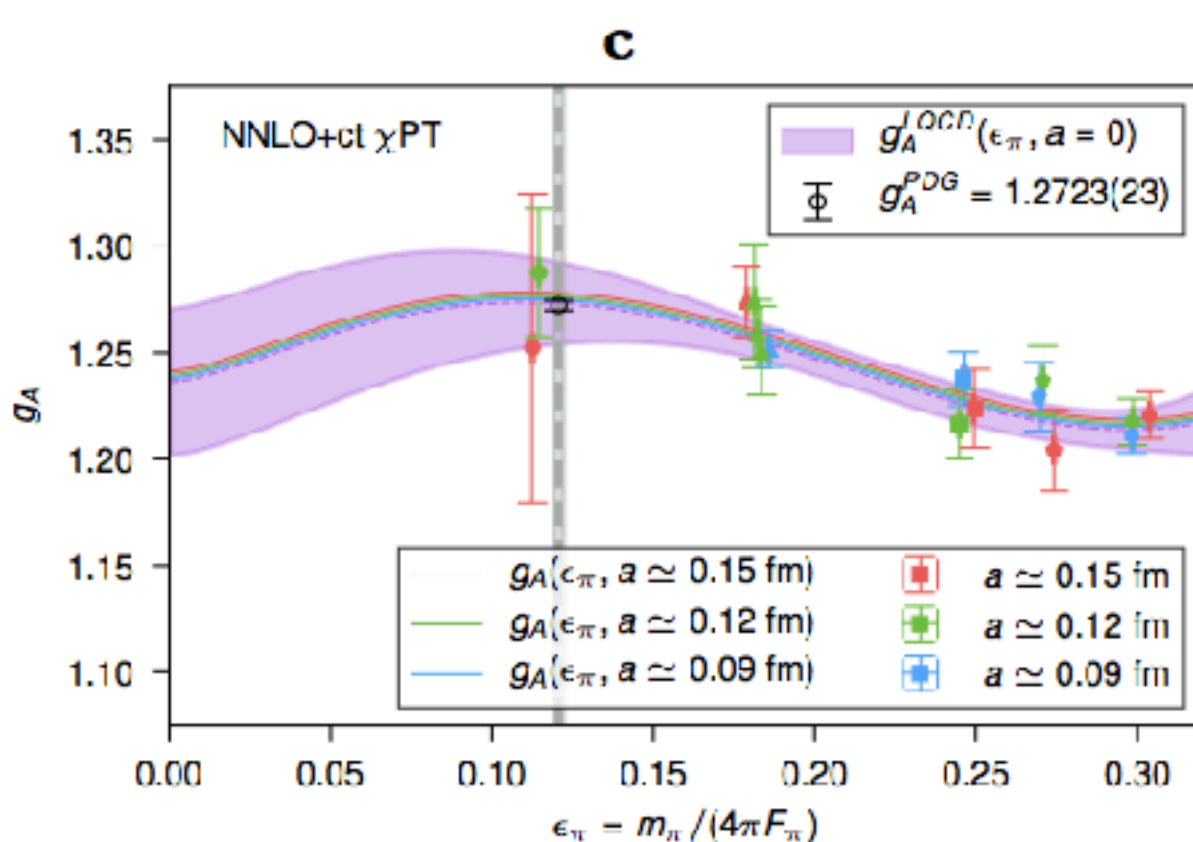
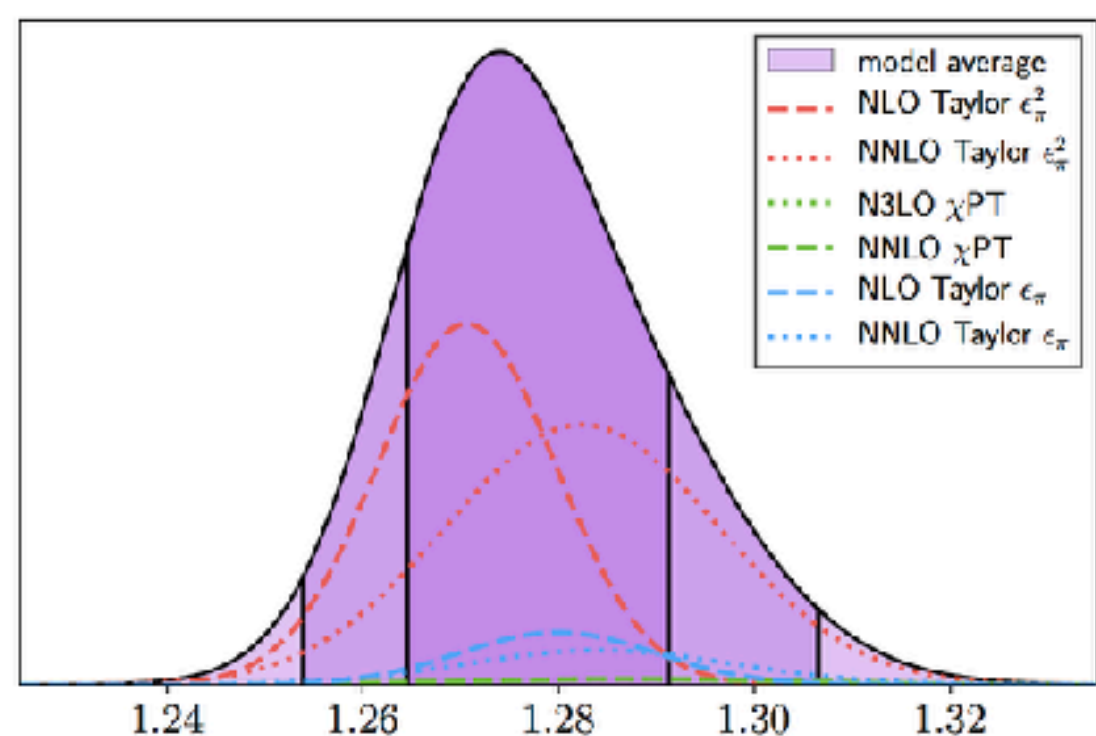
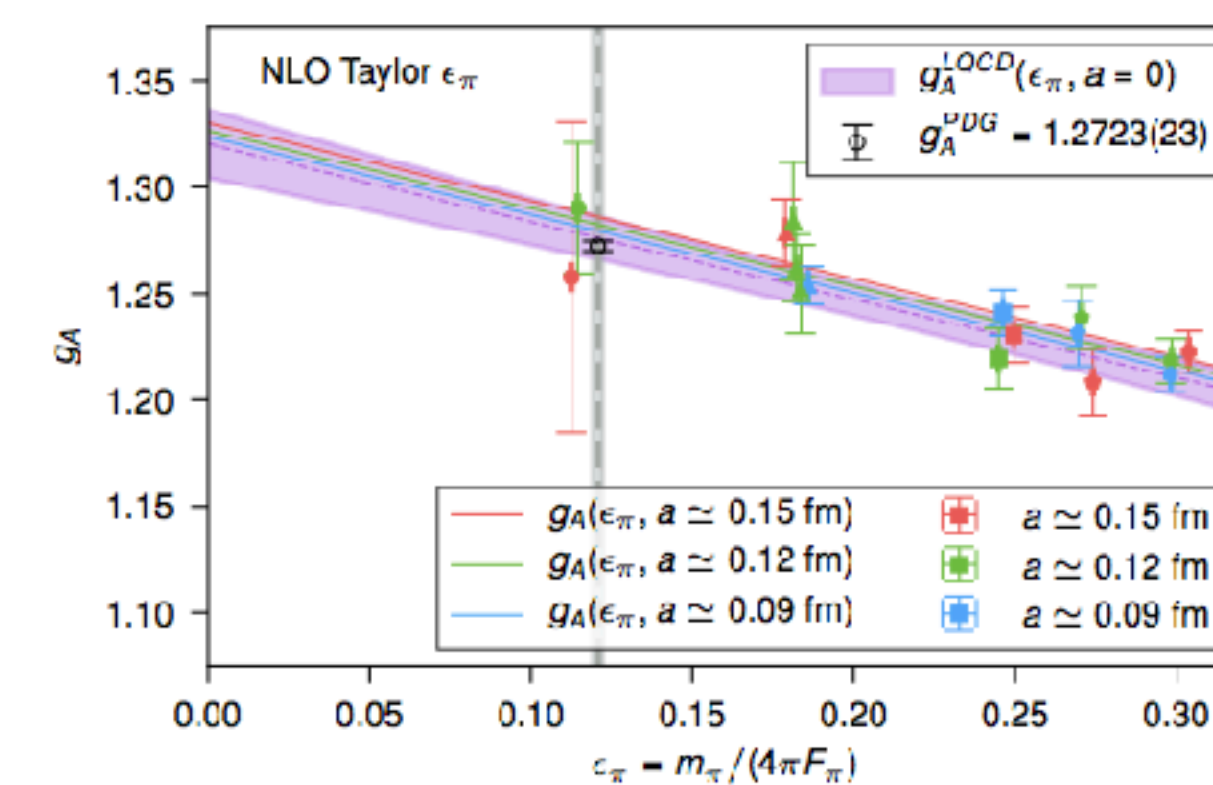
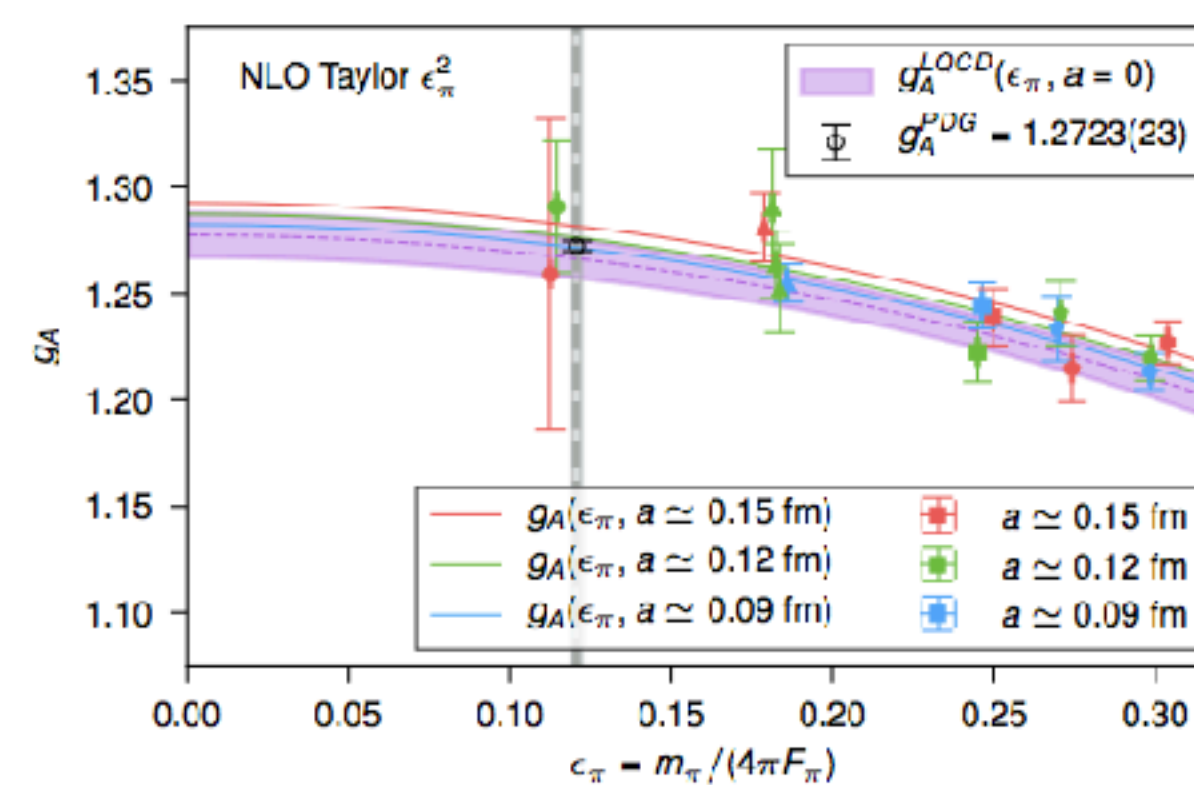
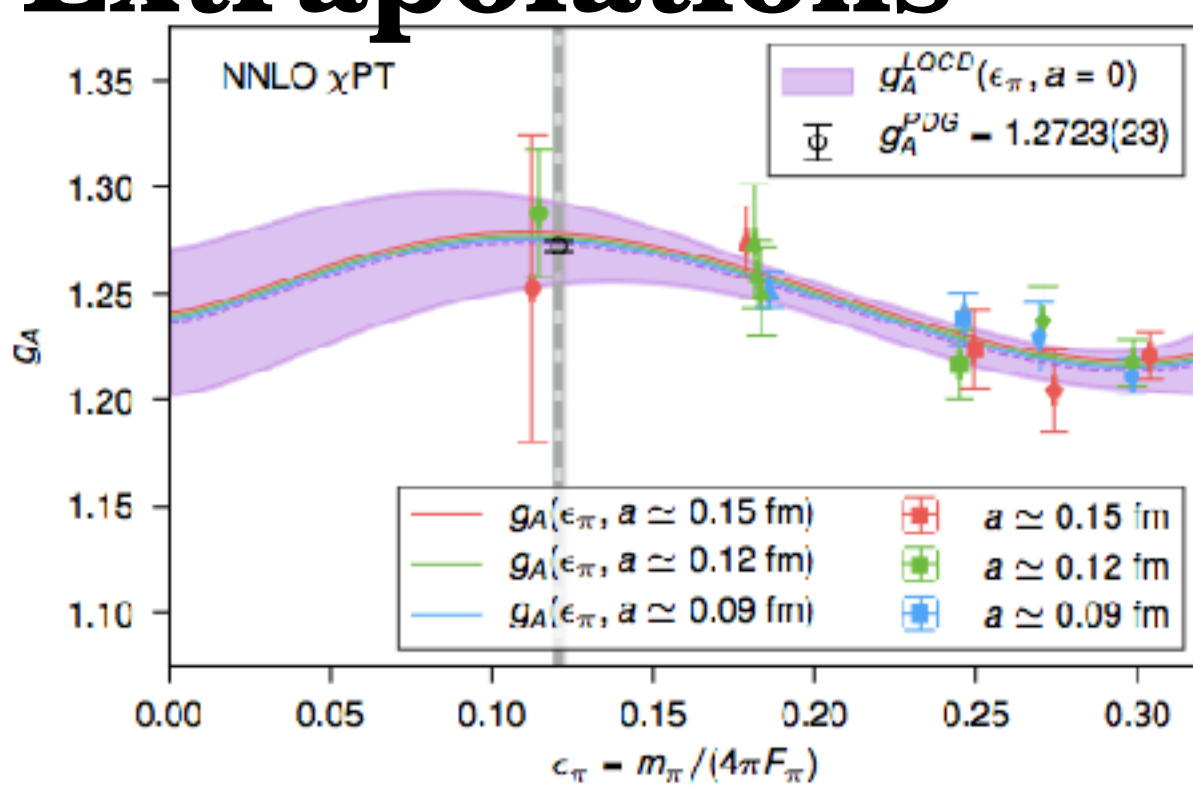
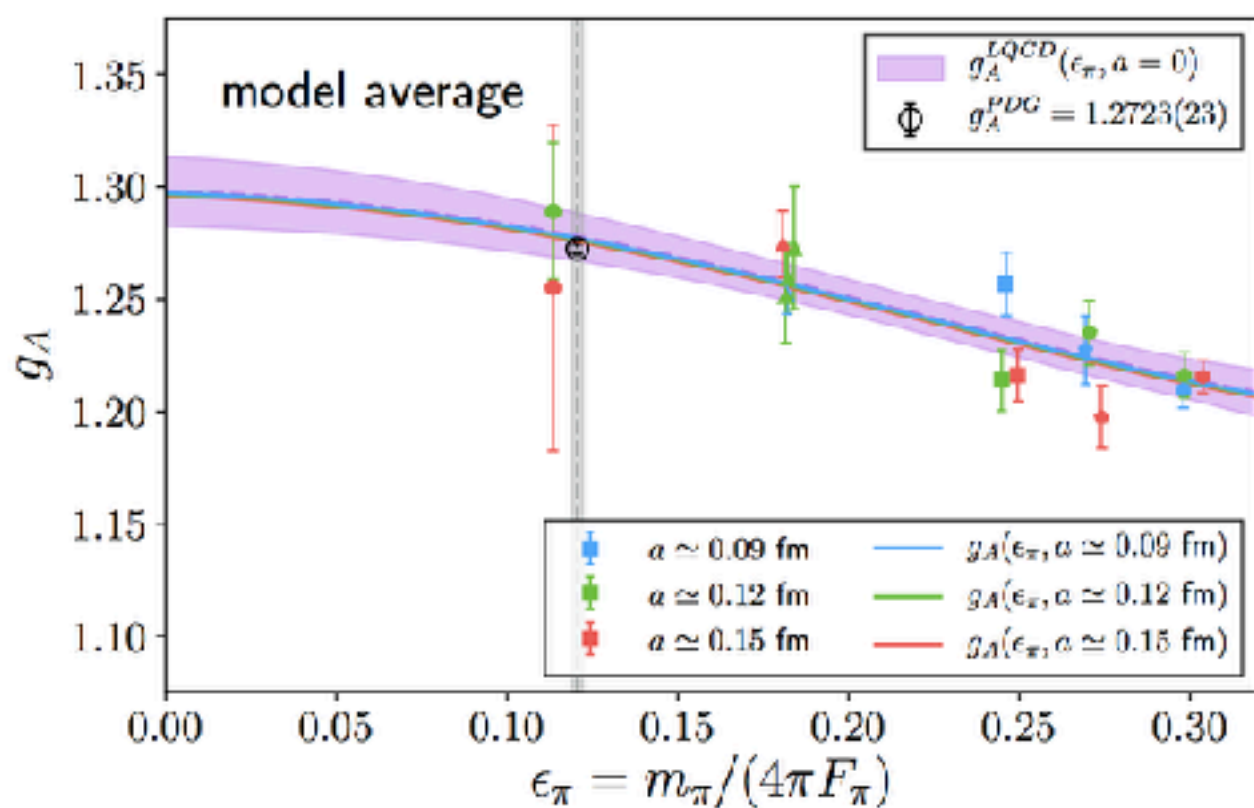


- Ruler applied to our new MDWF on HISQ results
- $M_N = c_0 + c_1 m_\pi + a_2 a^2 + c_{am,2} a^2 m_\pi$

Analysis Details

g_A example
Chang et al. arXiv:1805.12130

Extrapolations



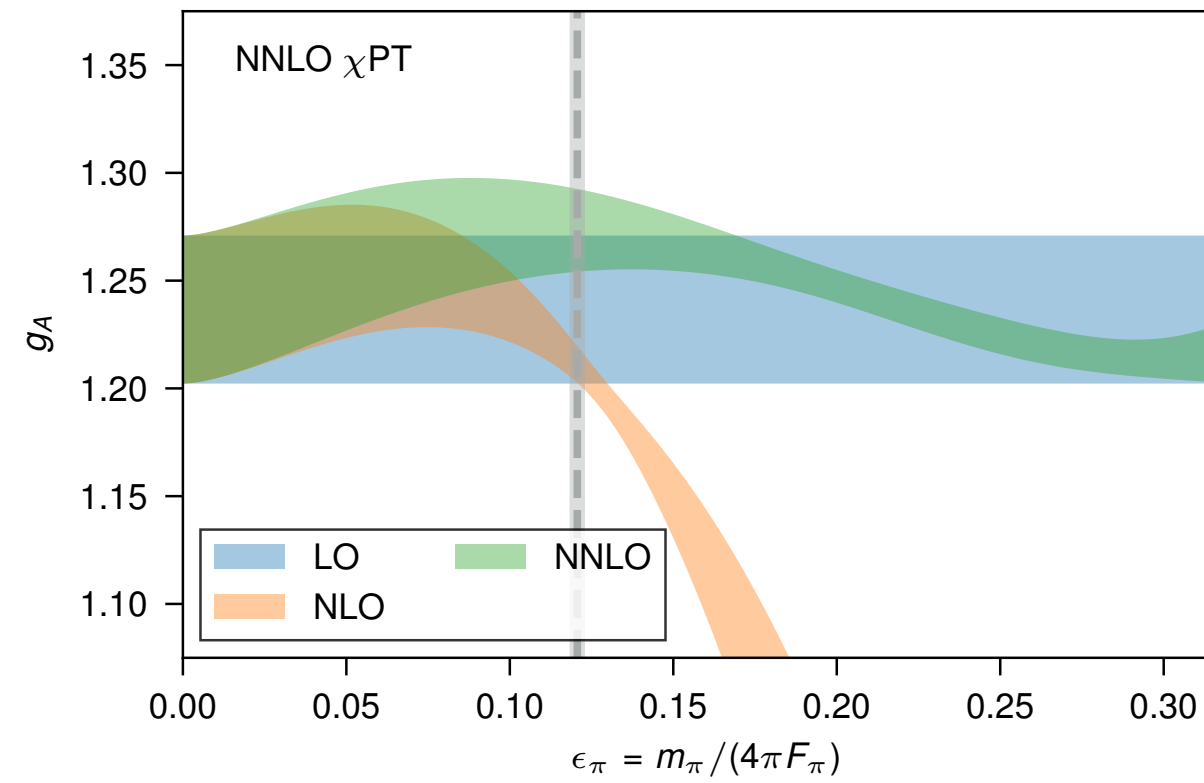
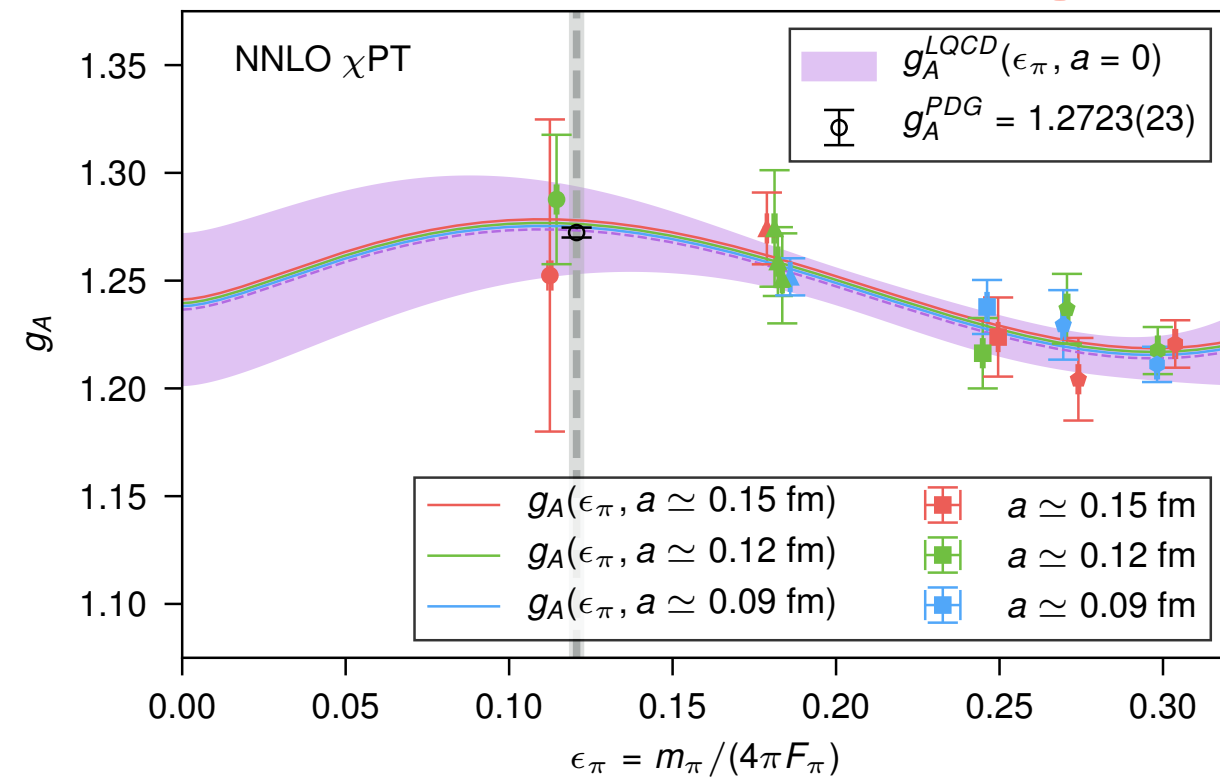
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$$g_A = g_0 - \epsilon_\pi^2 (g_0 + 2g_0^3) \ln(\epsilon_\pi^2) + c_2 \epsilon_\pi^2 + g_0 c_3 \epsilon_\pi^3$$

- NNLO χ PT: Eq. (S8) + $\delta_a + \delta_L$
- NNLO+ct χ PT: Eq. (S8) + $c_4 \epsilon_\pi^4 + \delta_a + \delta_L$
- NLO Taylor ϵ_π^2 : $c_0 + c_2 \epsilon_\pi^2 + \delta_a + \delta_L$
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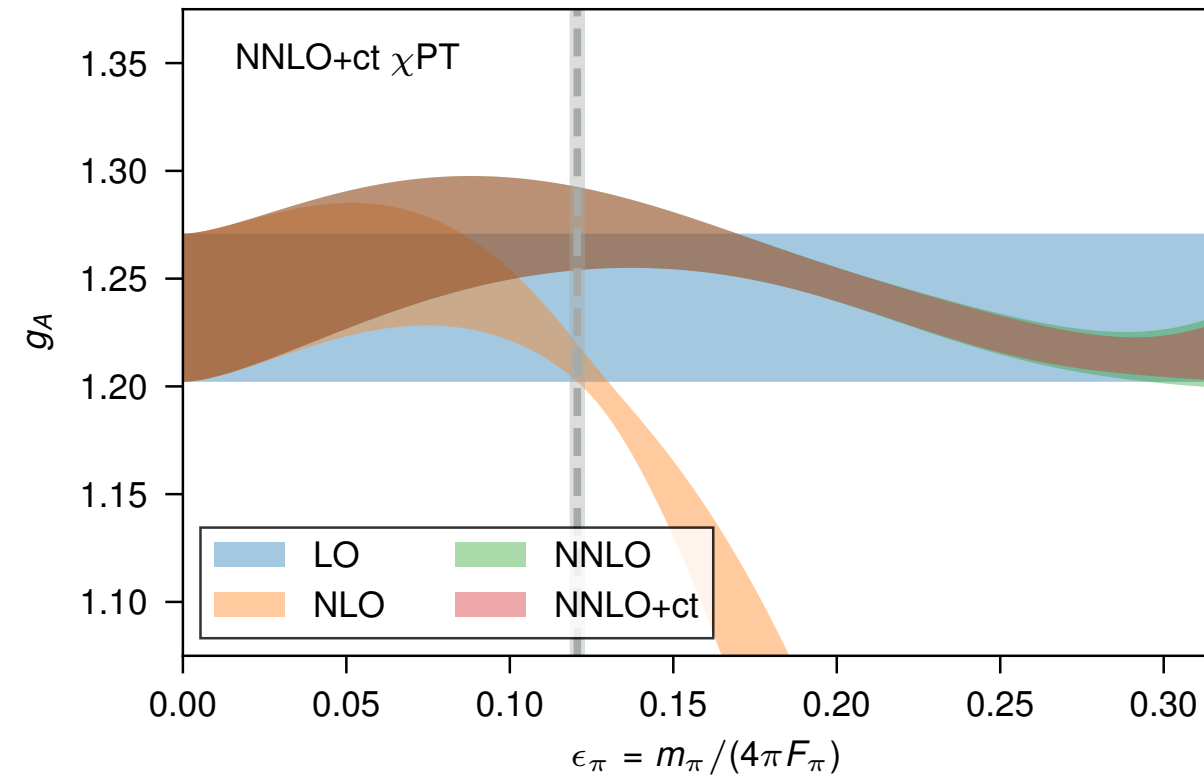
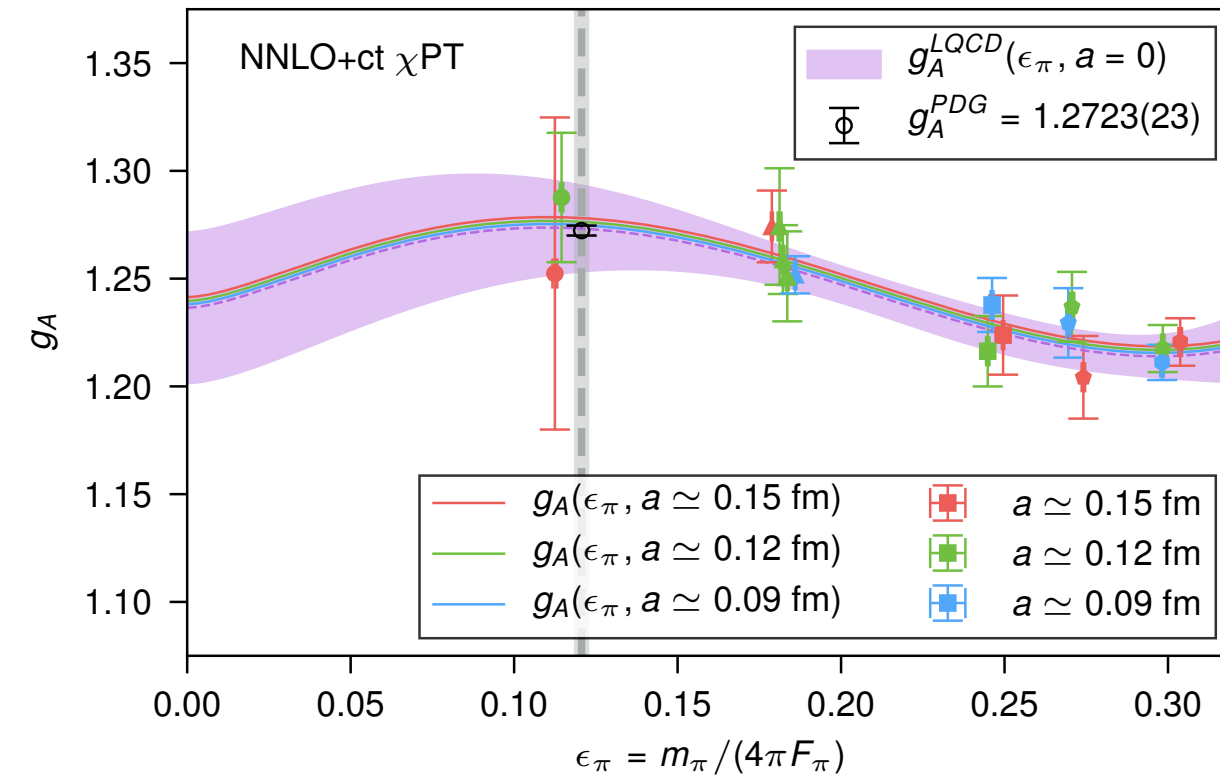
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NNLO+ct χ PT	0.726	22.729	0.033	1.273(19)
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NNLO Taylor ϵ_π^2	0.787	24.897	0.284	1.267(10)
NLO Taylor ϵ_π	0.700	24.855	0.191	1.276(10)
NNLO Taylor ϵ_π	0.674	24.848	0.172	1.280(14)
average				1.271(11)(06)

convergence of the chiral expansion...

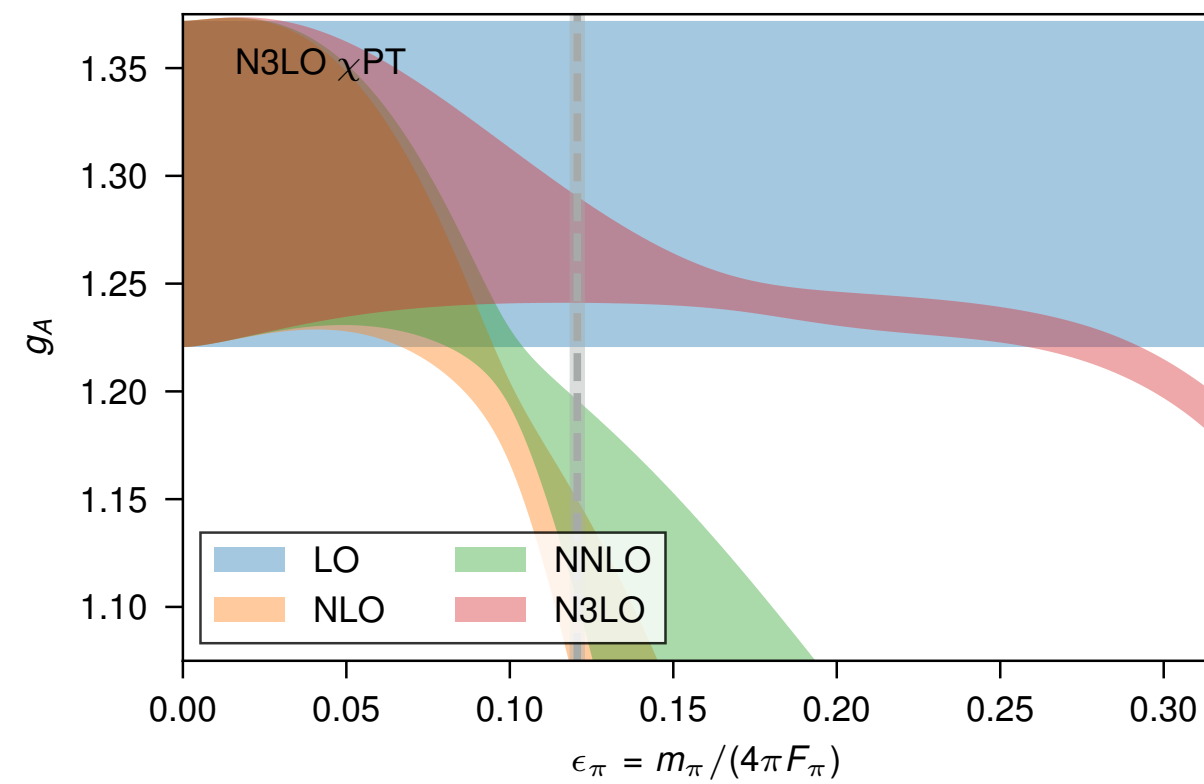
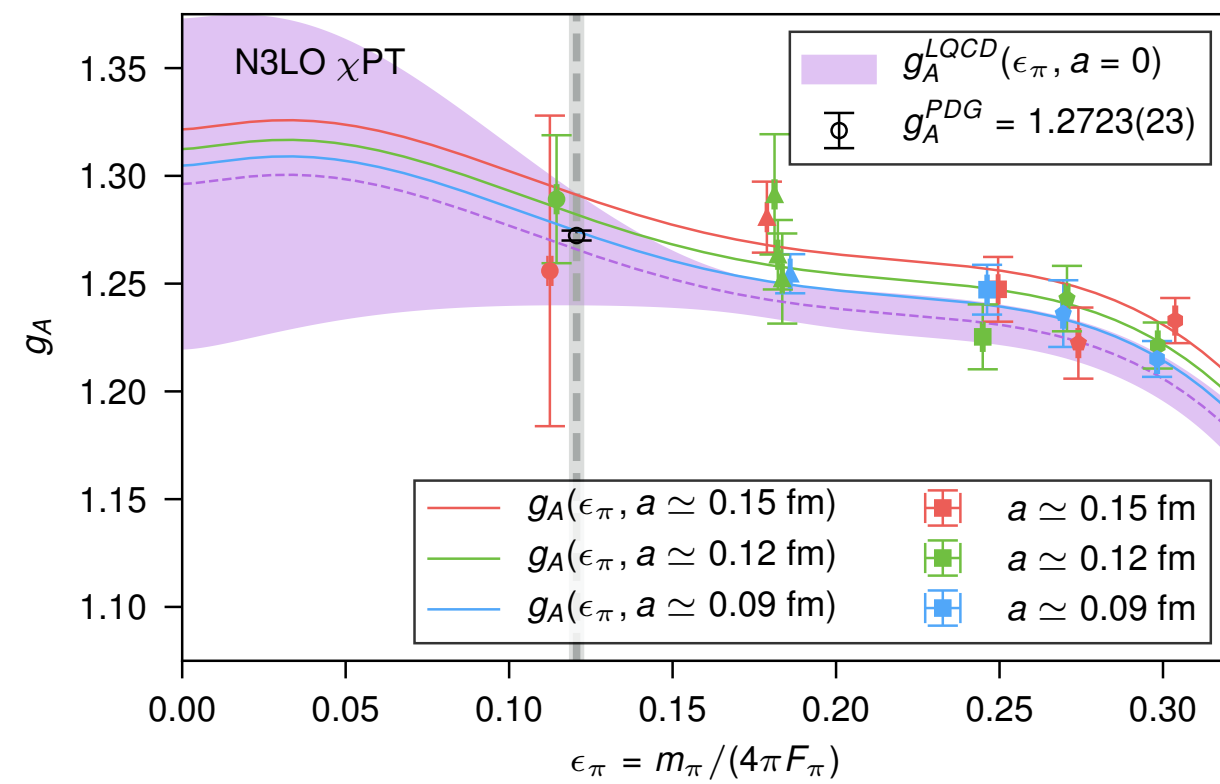


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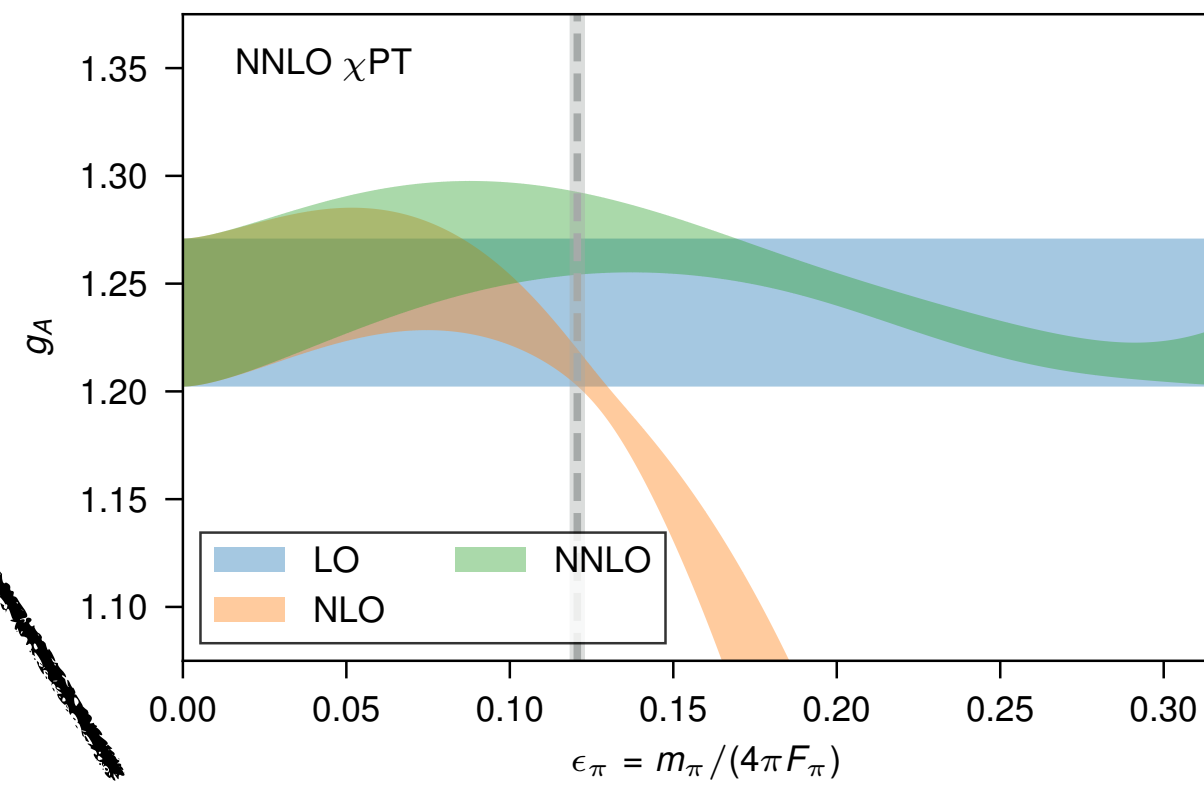
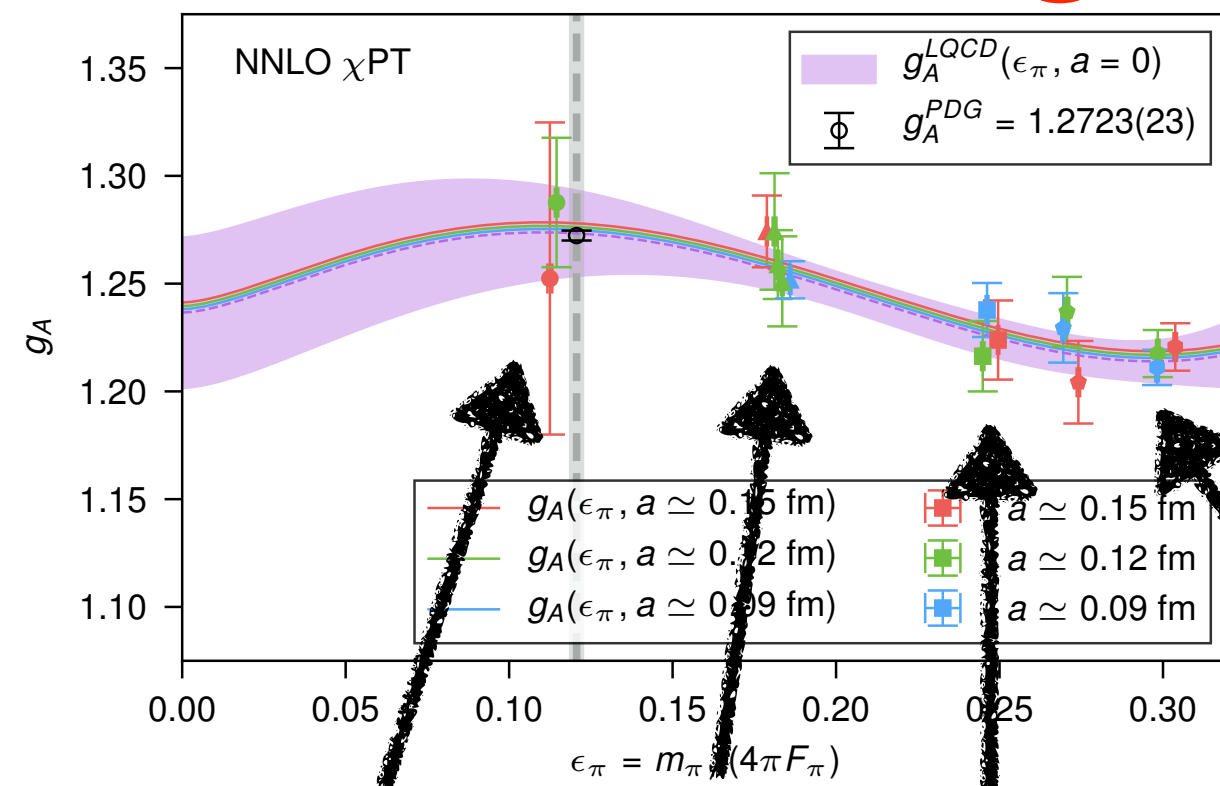
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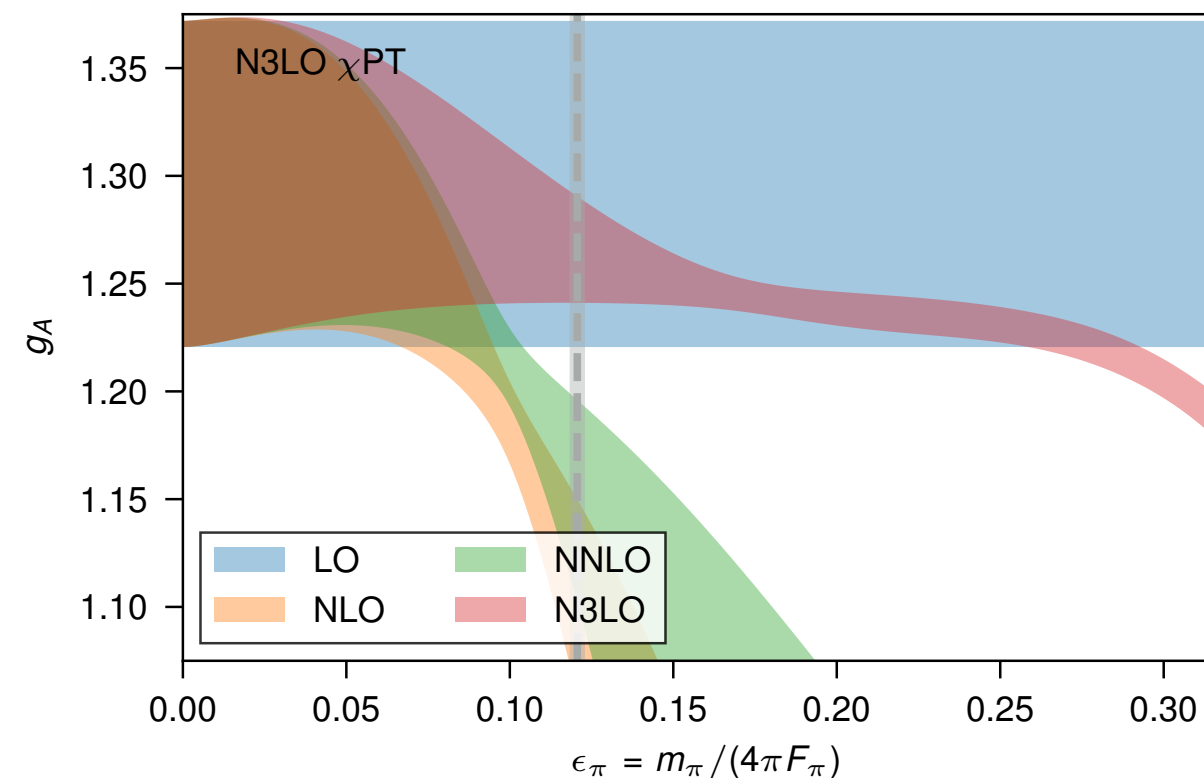
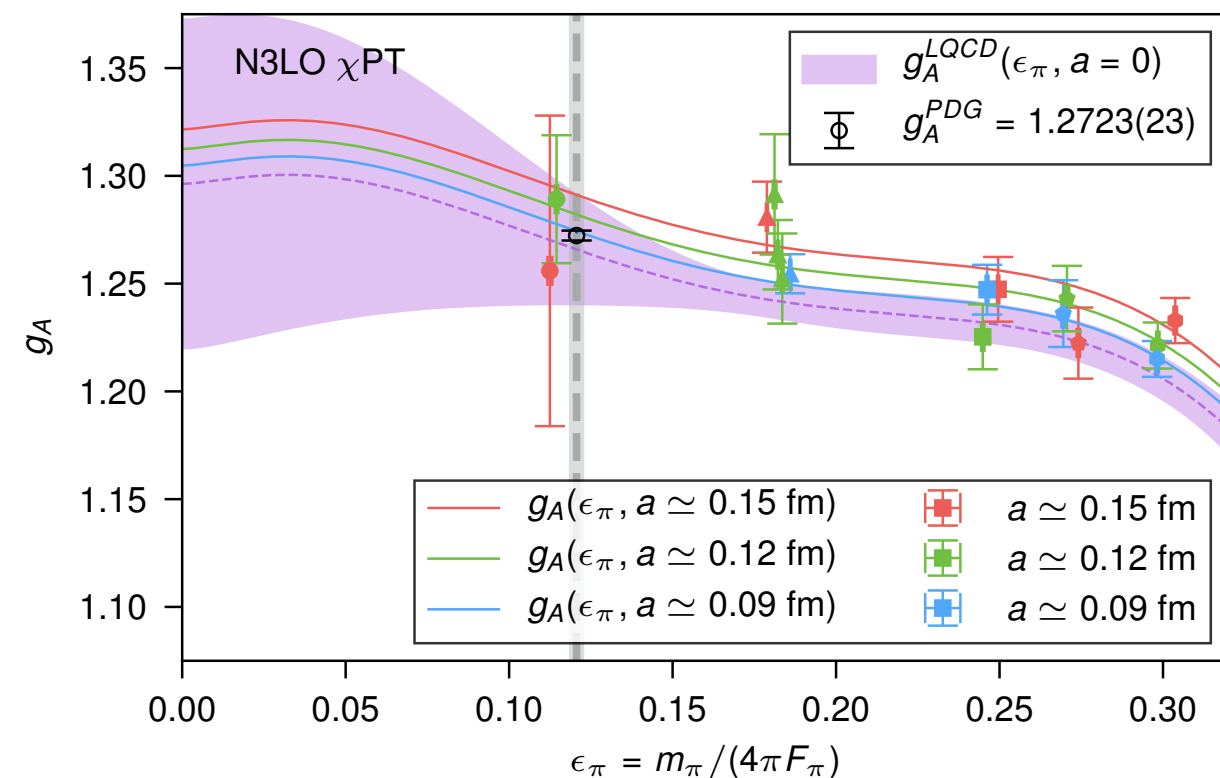
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$$\epsilon_\pi = \frac{m_\pi}{4\pi F_\pi}$$

$m_\pi \sim 130$ MeV 220 310 400

can we trust extrapolation of quantities with chirally-enhanced behavior?

if the single nucleon is not converging, would you trust chiral extrapolations of two or more nucleons?



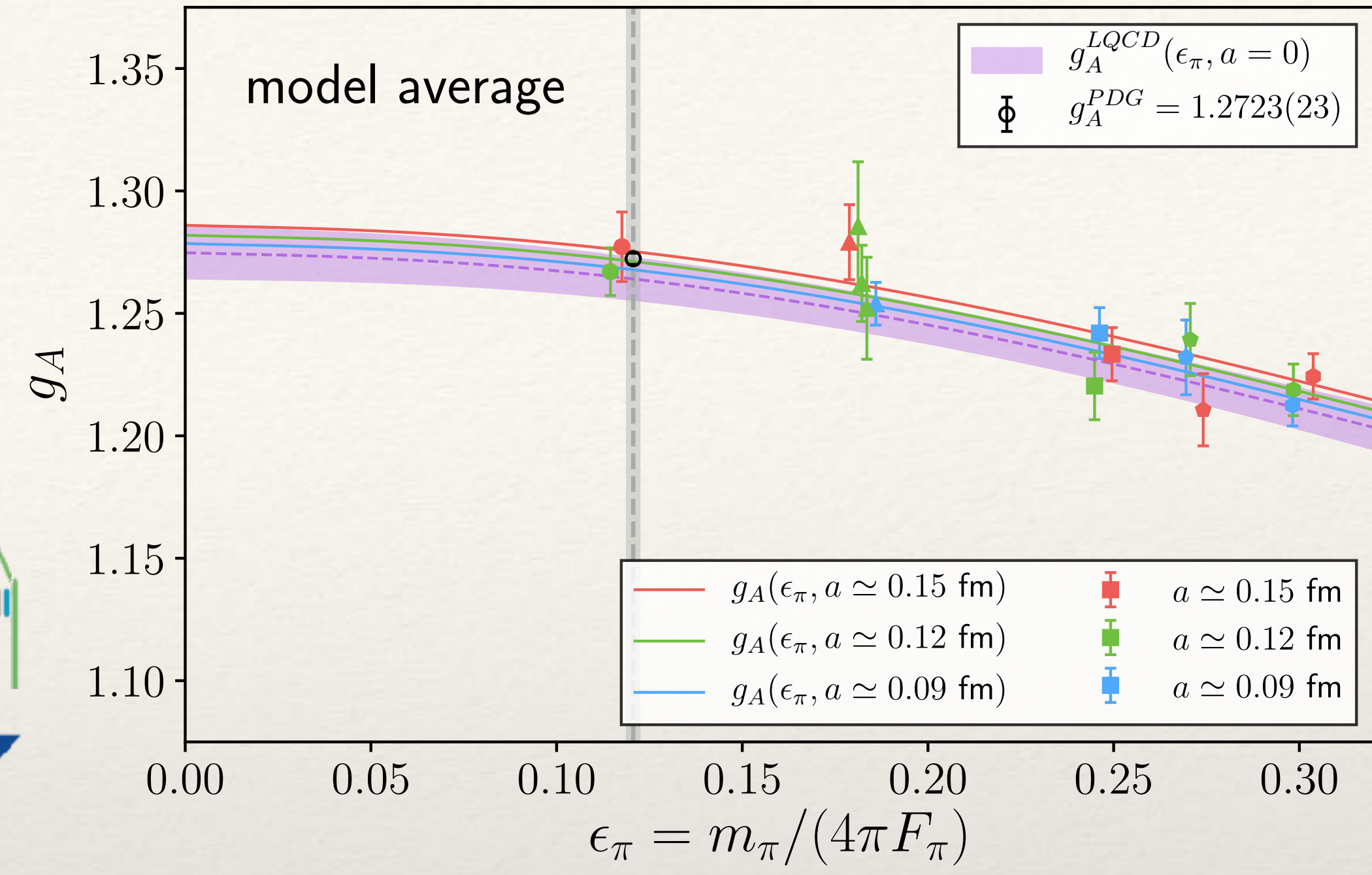
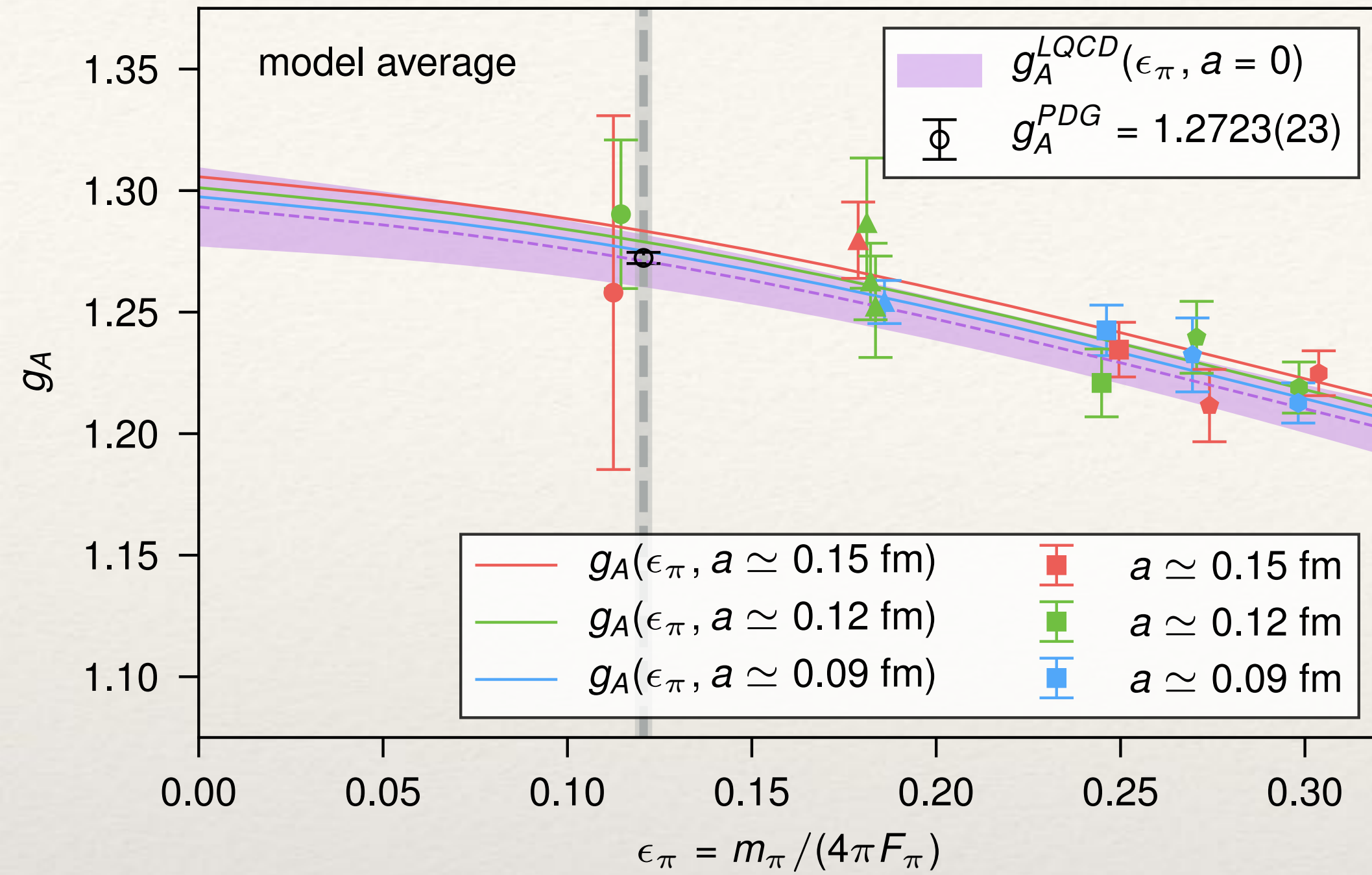
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Assignment

- What is causing all the trouble for $SU(2)$ baryon chiral perturbation theory?
 - Large N_c arguments show a cancellation between nucleon and delta loops for g_A , BUT, they add “coherently” for M_N
- What is the range of convergence of $SU(2)$ baryon chiral perturbation theory?

Why is this an exciting time for LQCD and NP?



□ The **a12m130** ($48^3 \times 64 \times 20$) with 3 sources cost as much as all other ensembles combined

□ **2.5 weekends on Sierra** → 16 srcs

□ Now, 32 srcs (un-constrained, 3-state fit)

□ We generated a new **a15m135XL** ($48^3 \times 64$) ensemble (old **a15m130** is $32^3 \times 48$)

□ $M\pi L = 4.93$ (old $M\pi L = 3.2$)

□ $L_5 = 24, N_{\text{src}} = 16$

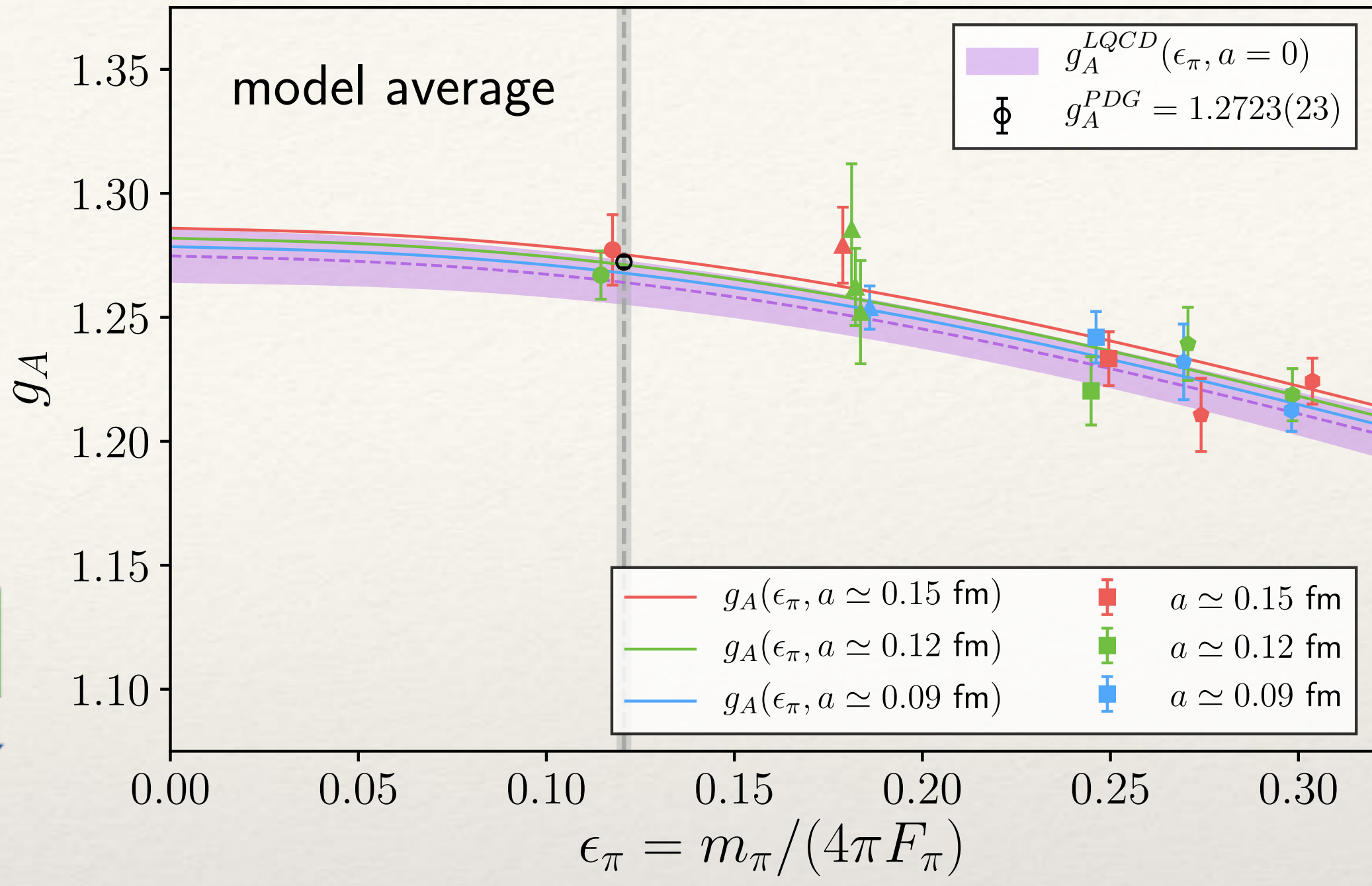
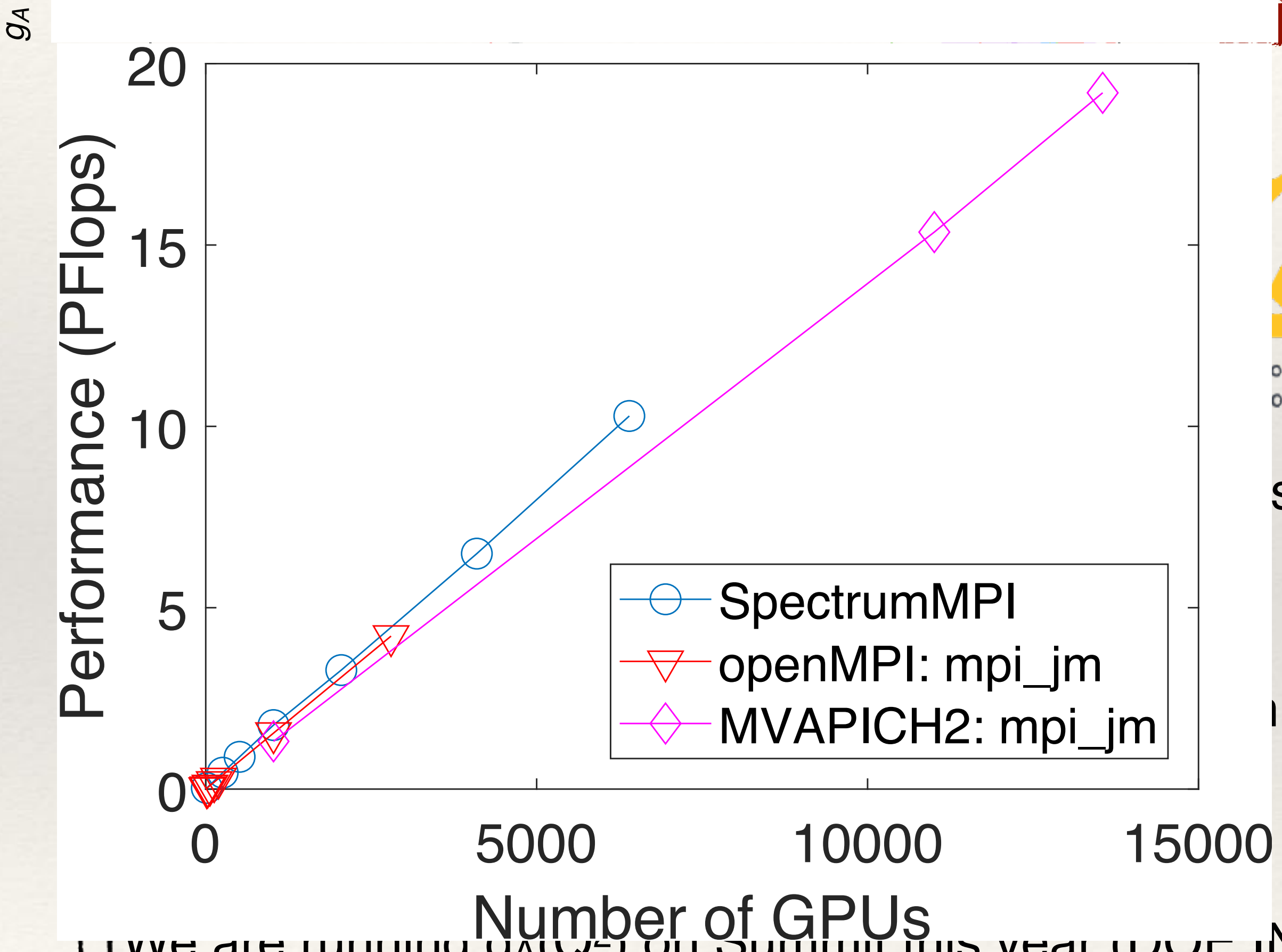
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Simulating the *weak* death of the neutron in a femtoscale universe with near-Exascale computing

Berkowitz, Clark, Gambhir, McElvain, Nicholson, Rinaldi, Vranas, Walker-Loud, Chang, Joó, Kurth, Orginos



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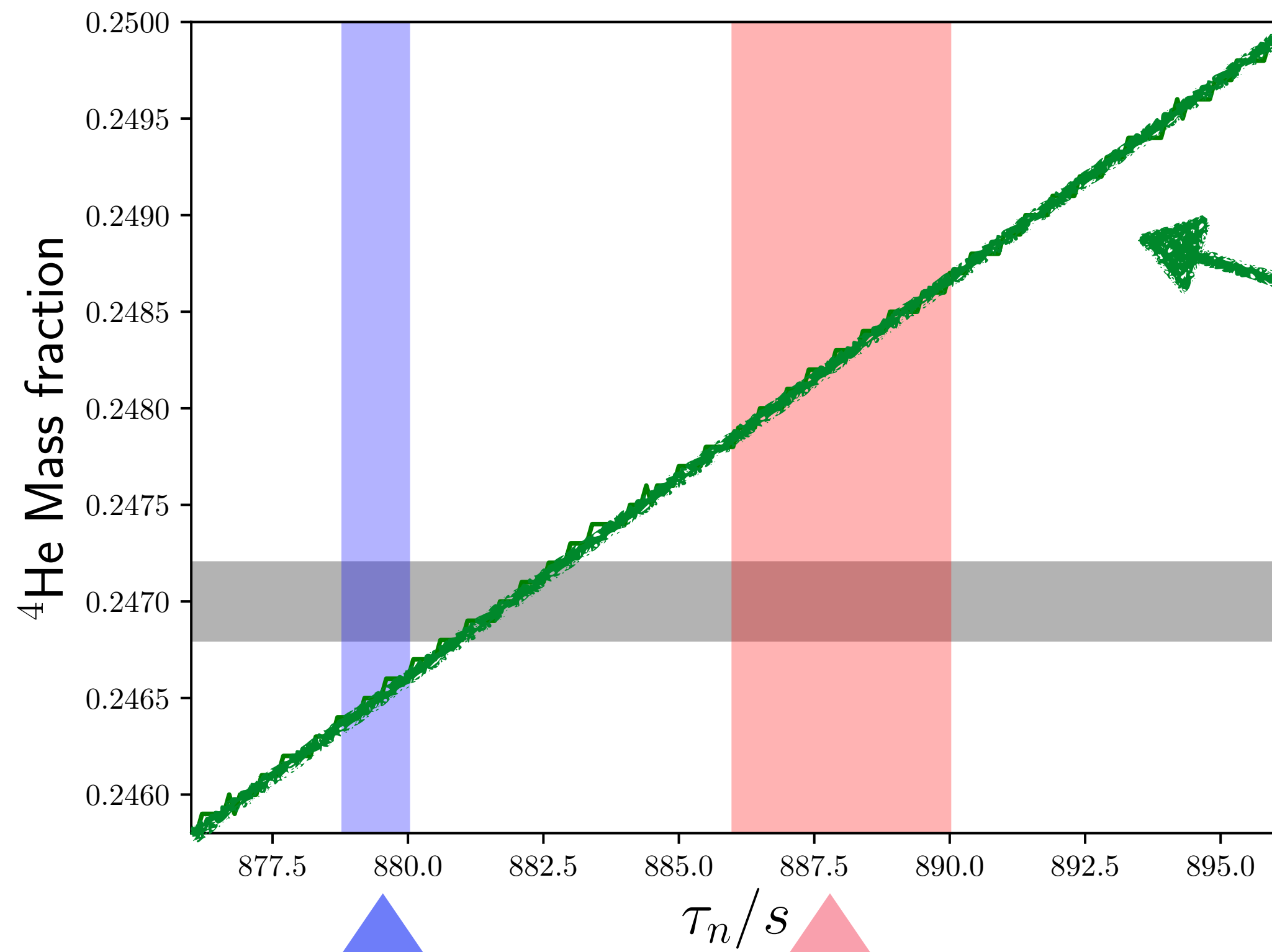
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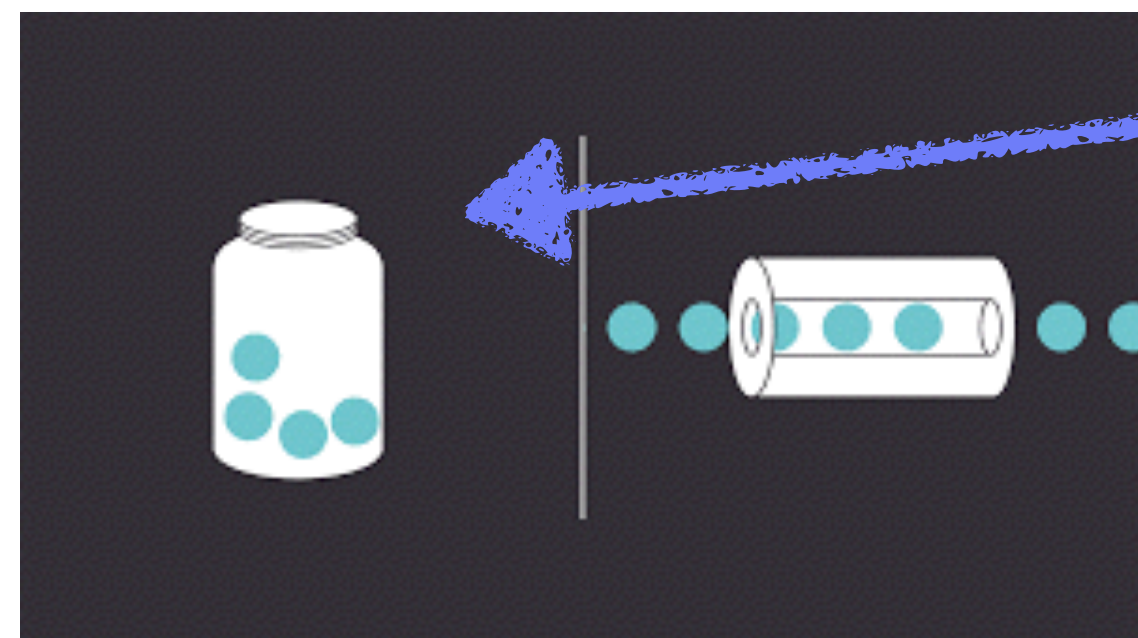
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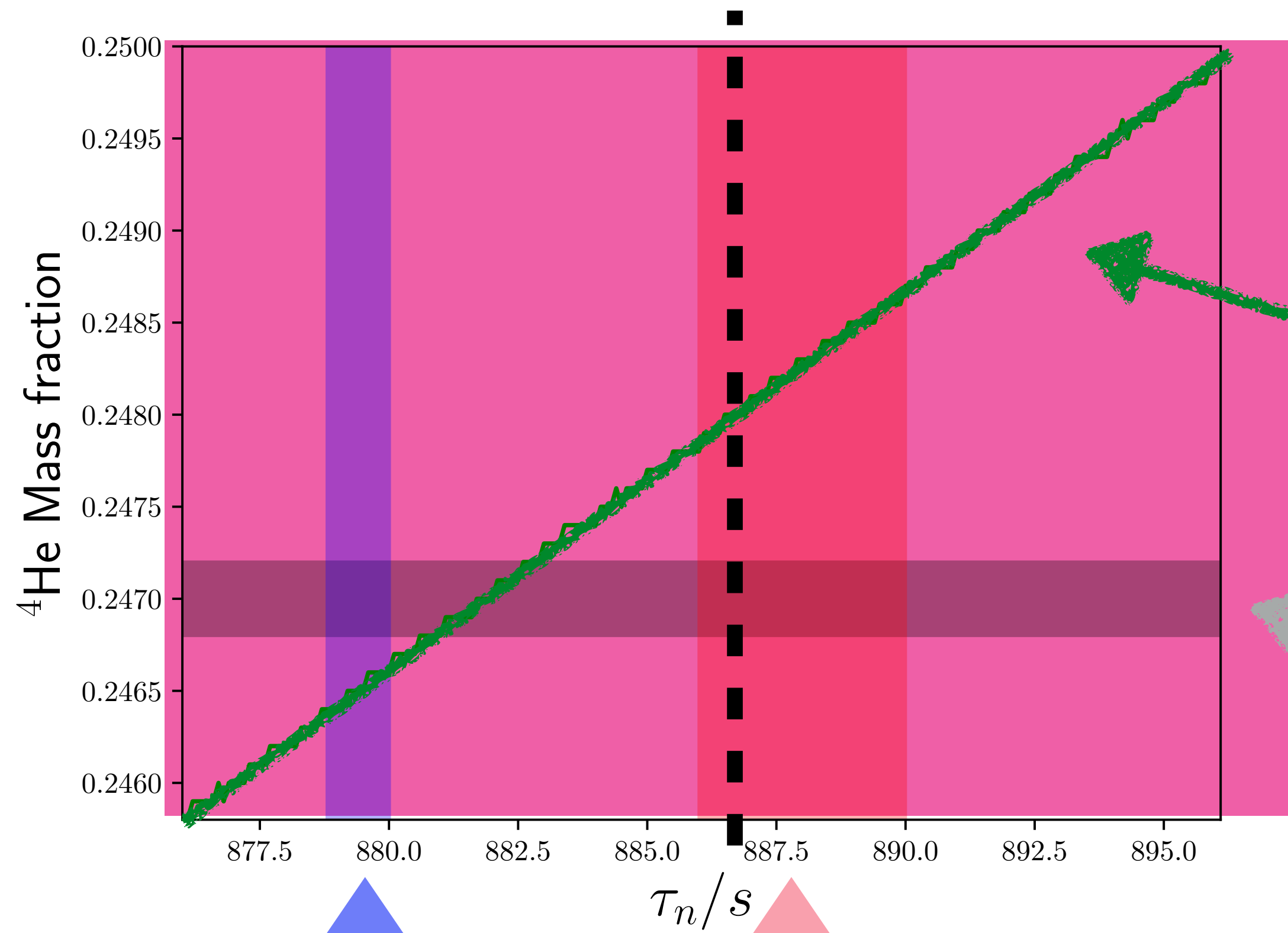
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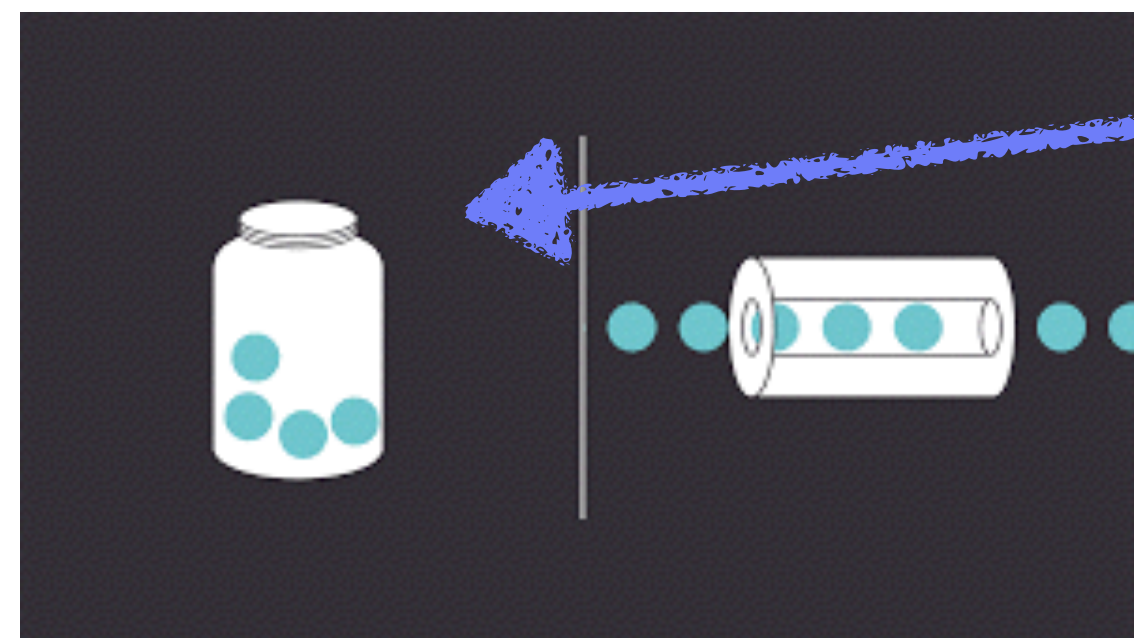
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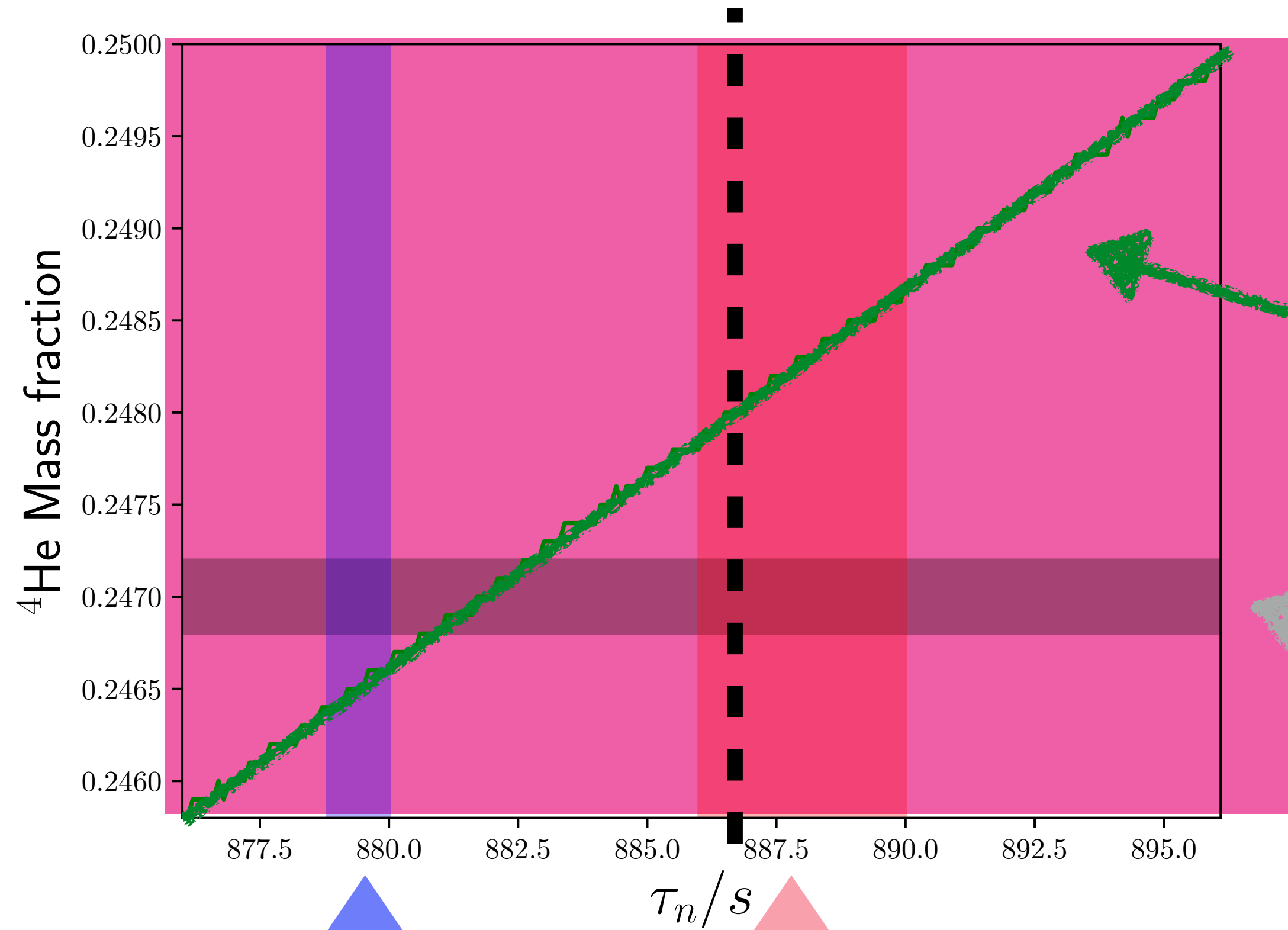
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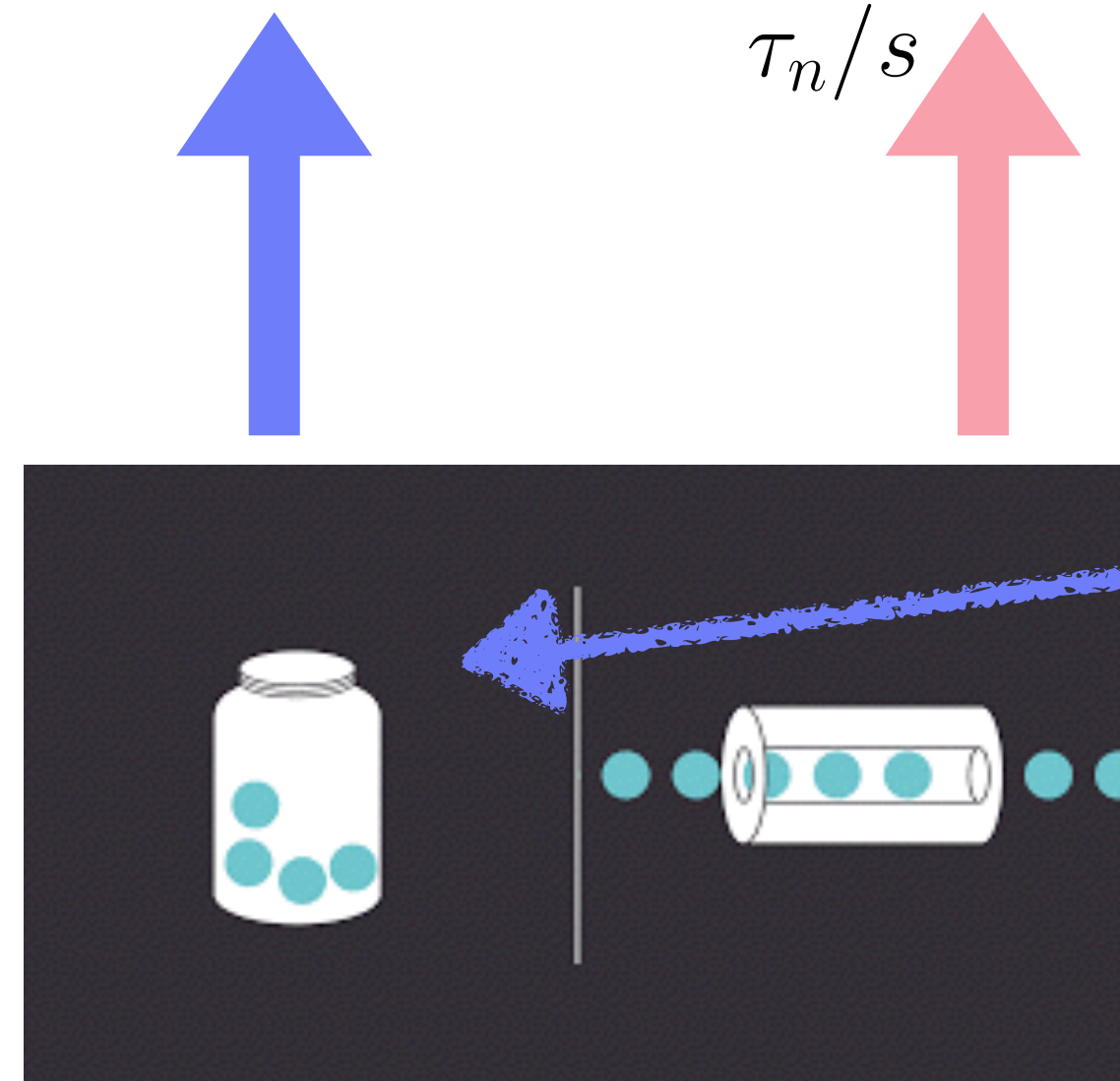


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Can we reduce the uncertainty to a discriminating level?

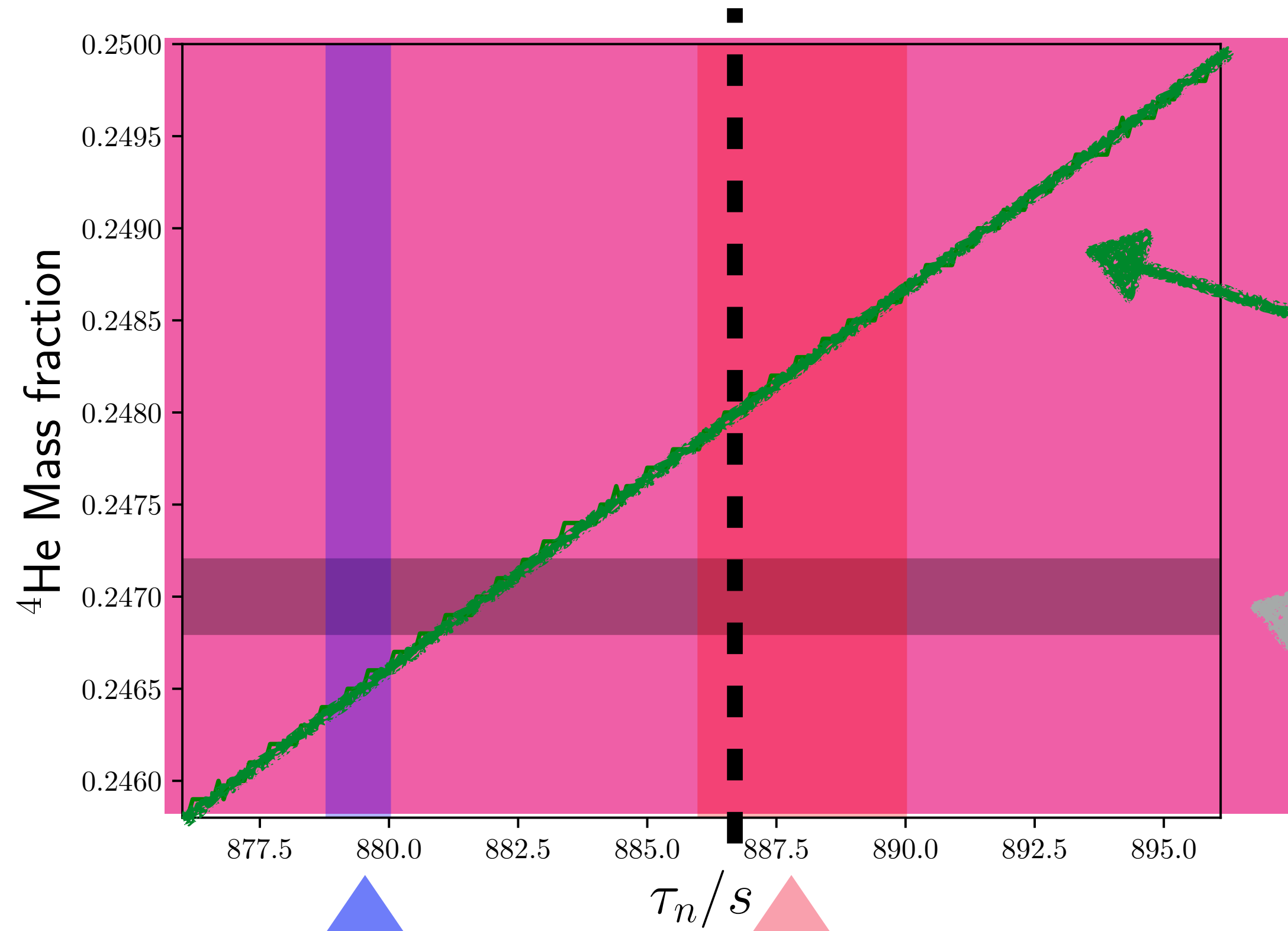


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Why is understanding the neutron lifetime interesting?



$$\tau_n = \frac{(5172.0 \pm 1.1) \text{ seconds}}{1 + 3g_A^2}$$

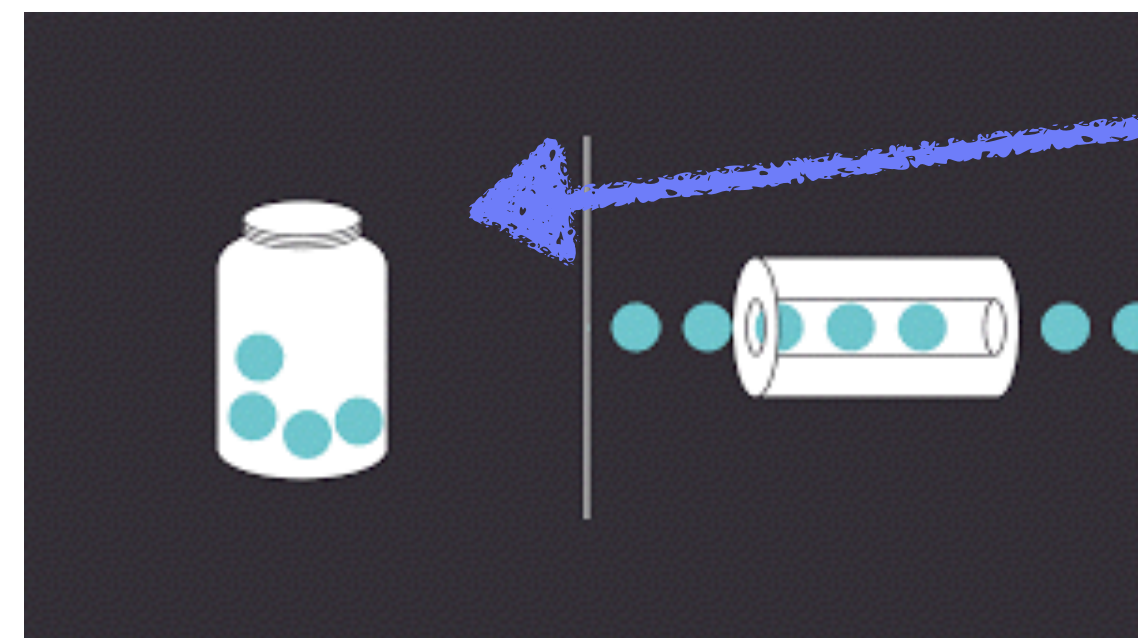
Czarnecki, Marciano, Sirlin

Predicted primordial ^4He mass fraction of the universe as a function of the neutron lifetime

Can we reduce the uncertainty to a discriminating level?

Yes!

With *summit!*

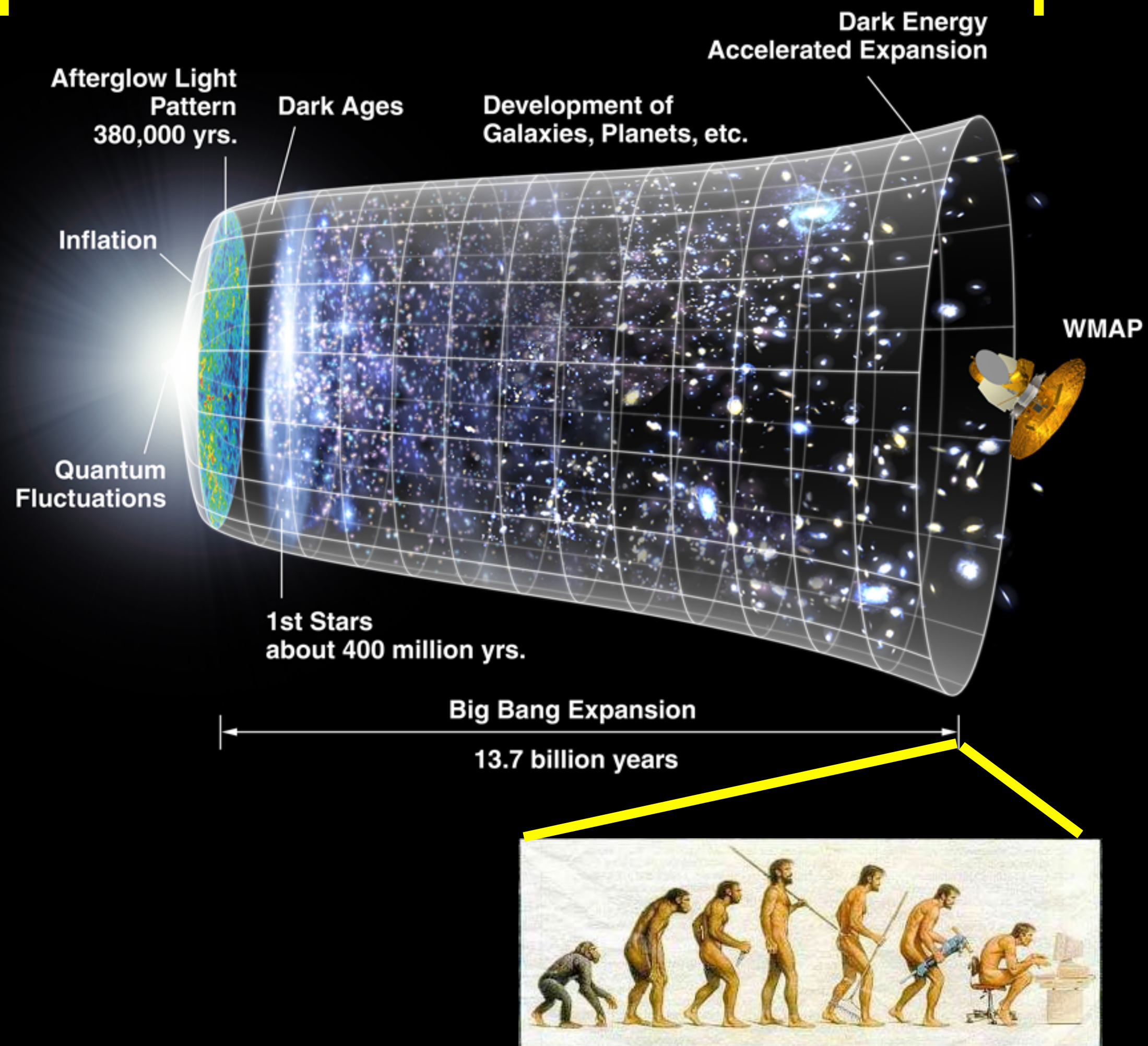


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Standard Model of Particle Physics



- ★ This is a very exciting time for basic science research with high-performance-computing
- ★ The application of LQCD to NP is very challenging
- ★ Progress is very rewarding
- ★ Necessary for a coordinated effort with Effective Theories of NP - great opportunity to interface and learn other computational methods
- ★ Summit is **disruptively** faster than Titan
- ★ we are still learning to expand our vision of what can be accomplished
- ★ Very exciting time to get involved: applications to NP which connect to experiment are just beginning