

# A Particle Physicist's Perspective on EDGES

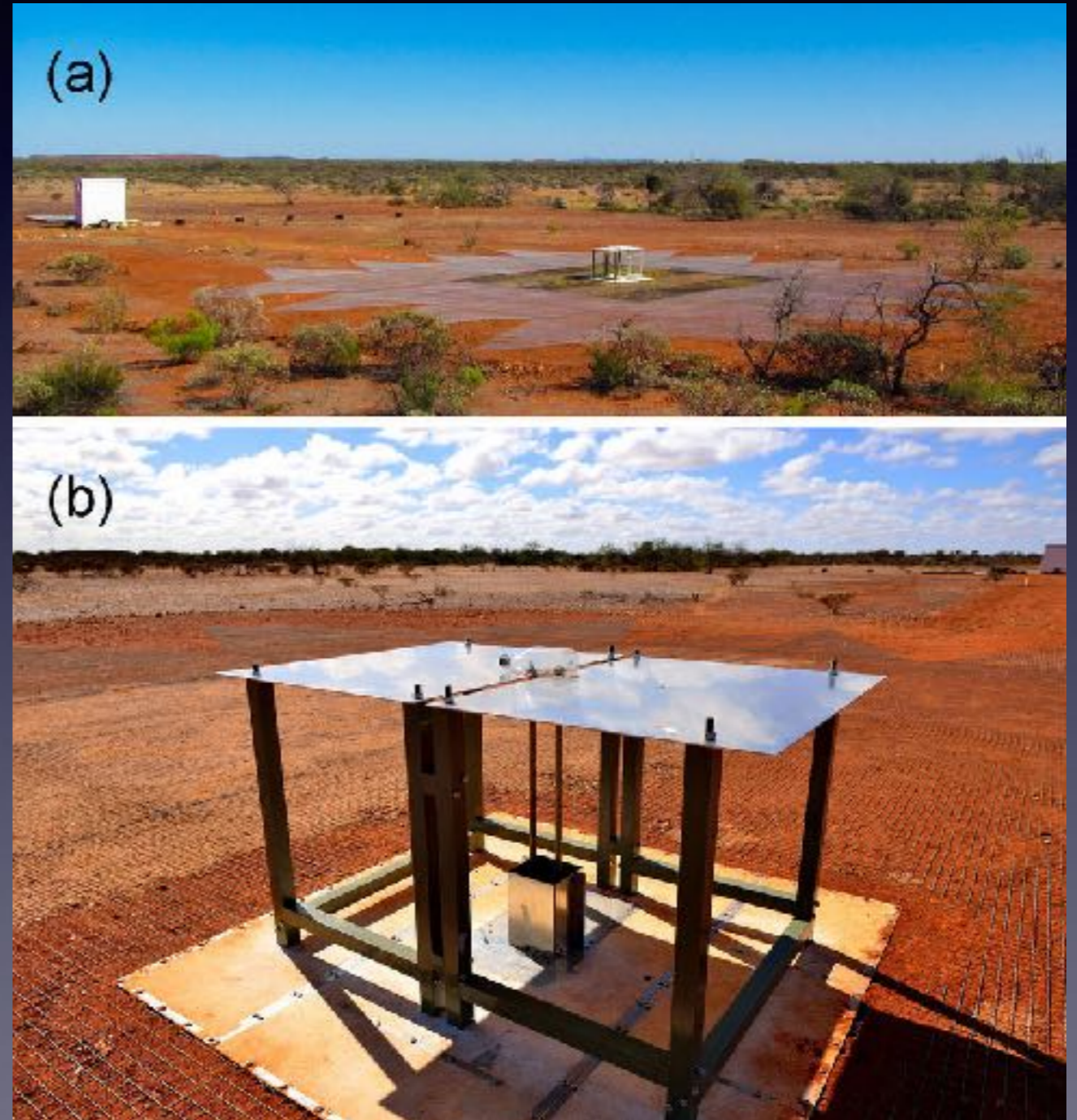
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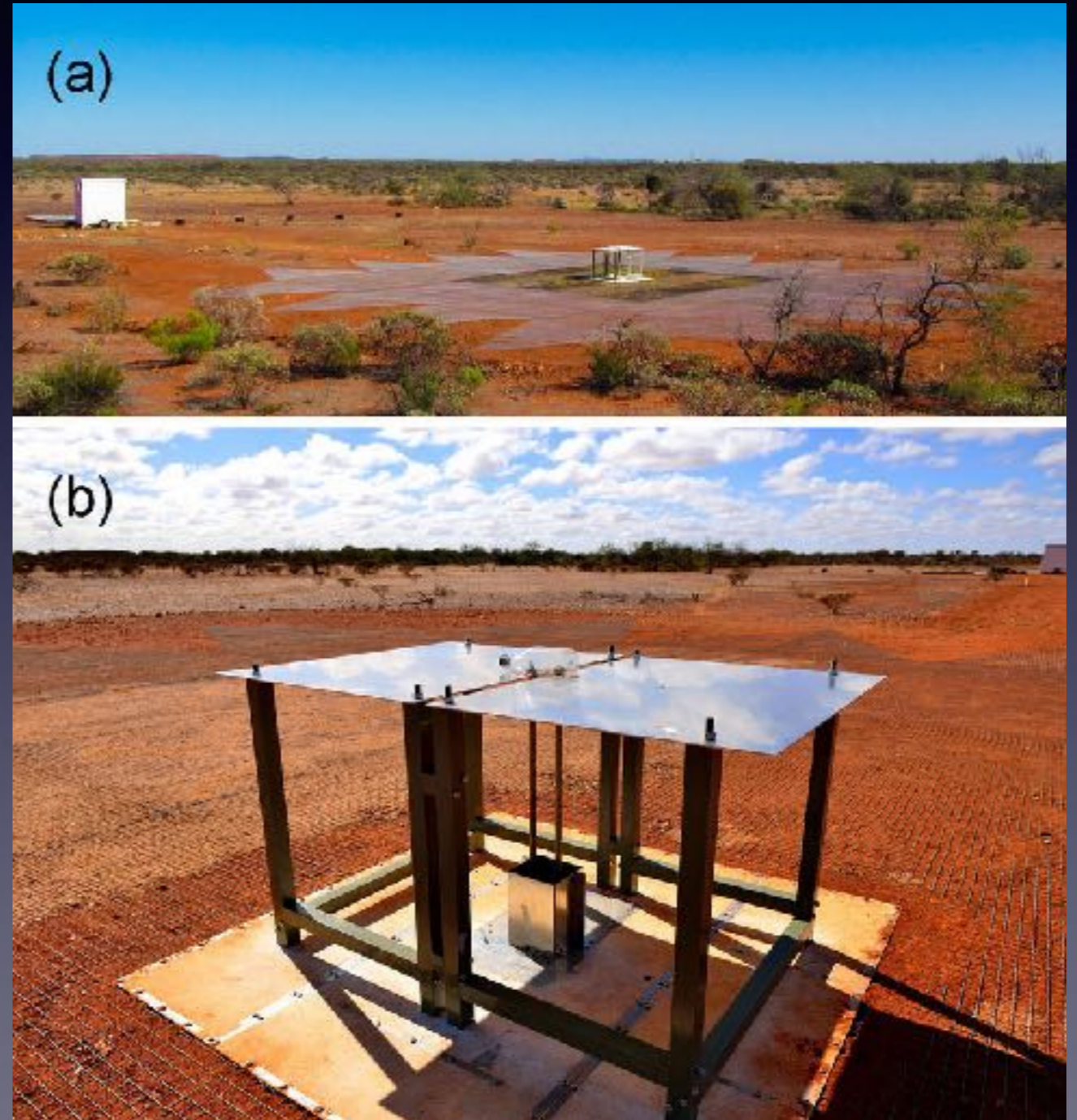


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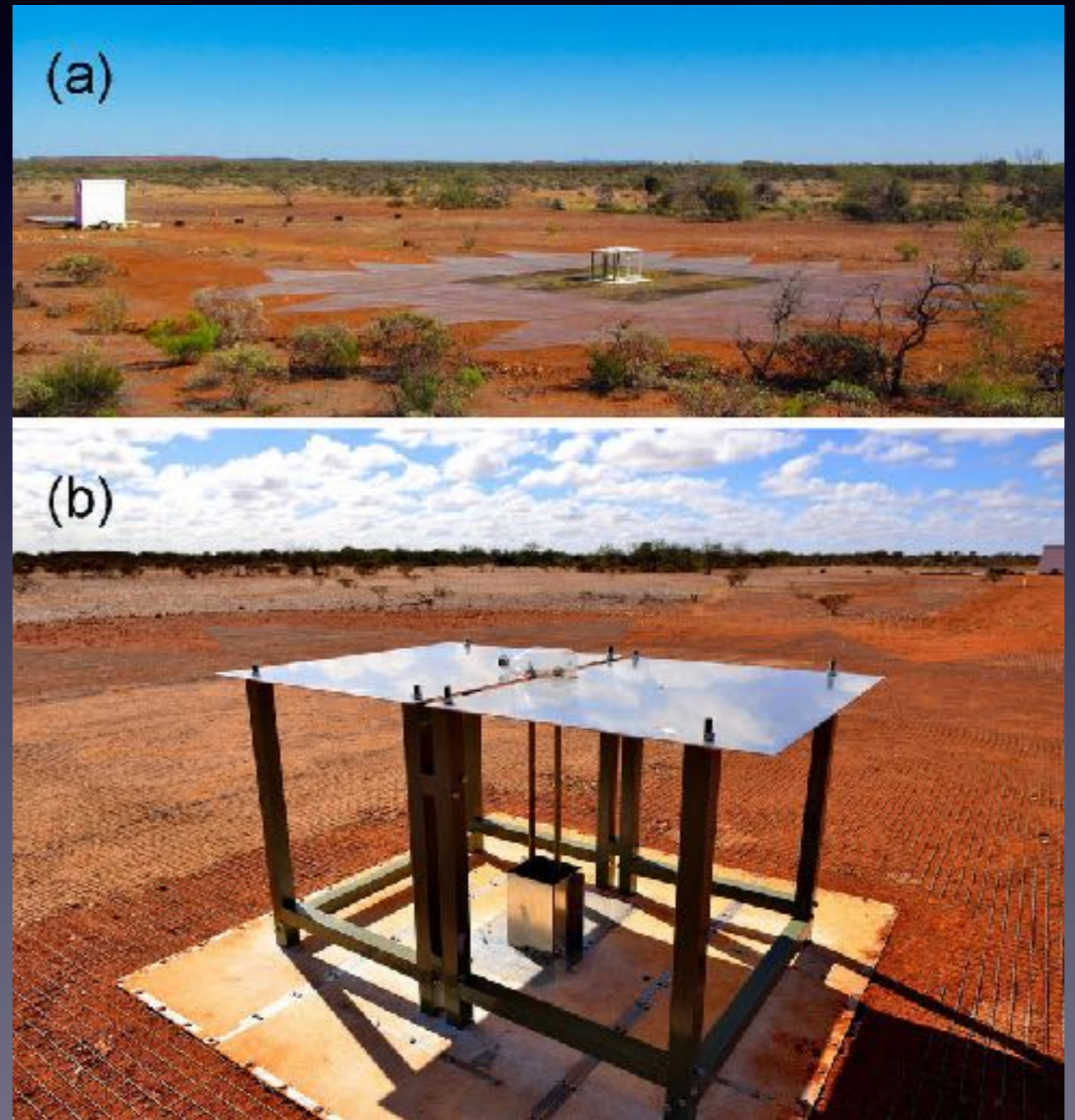
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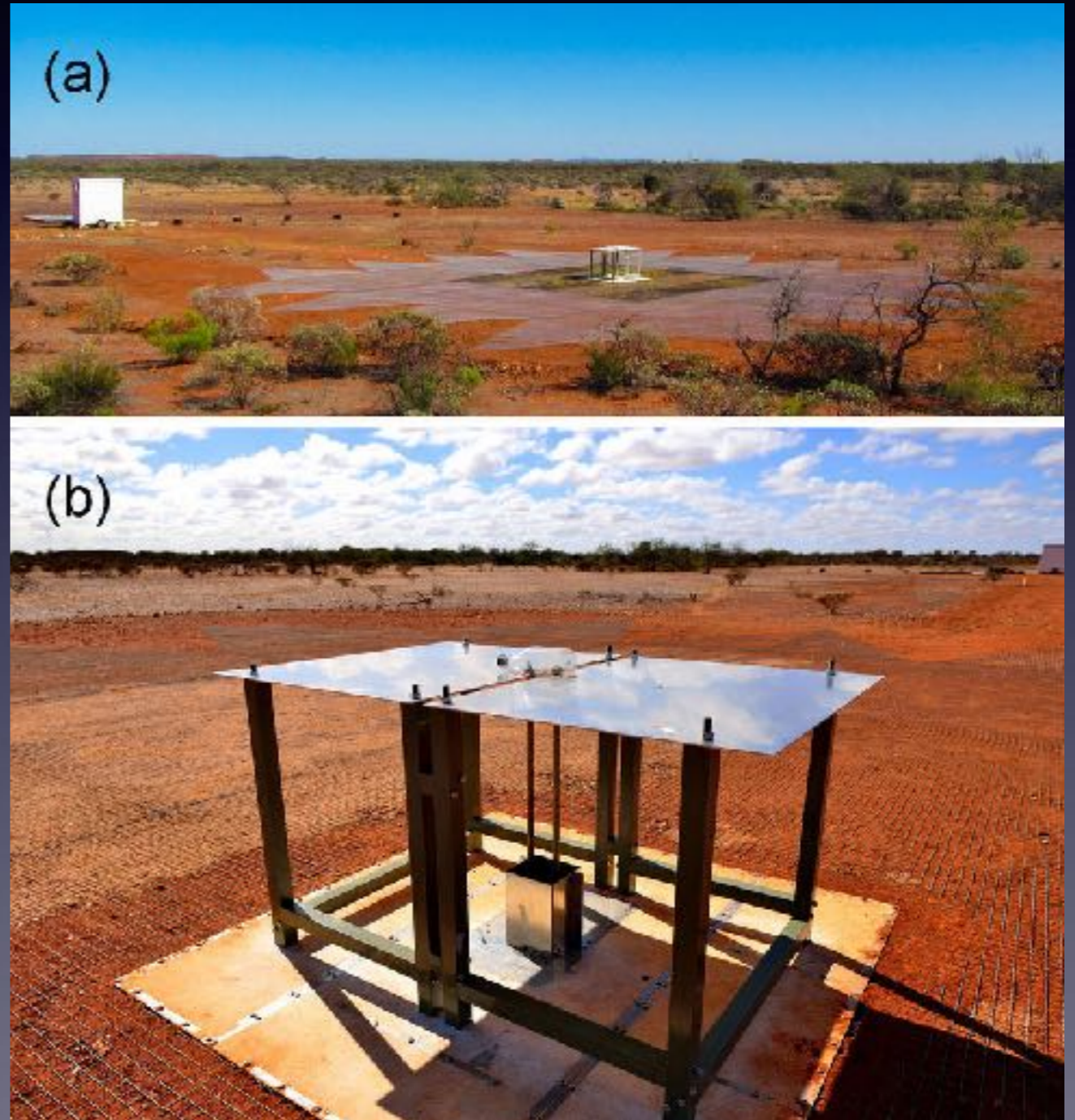
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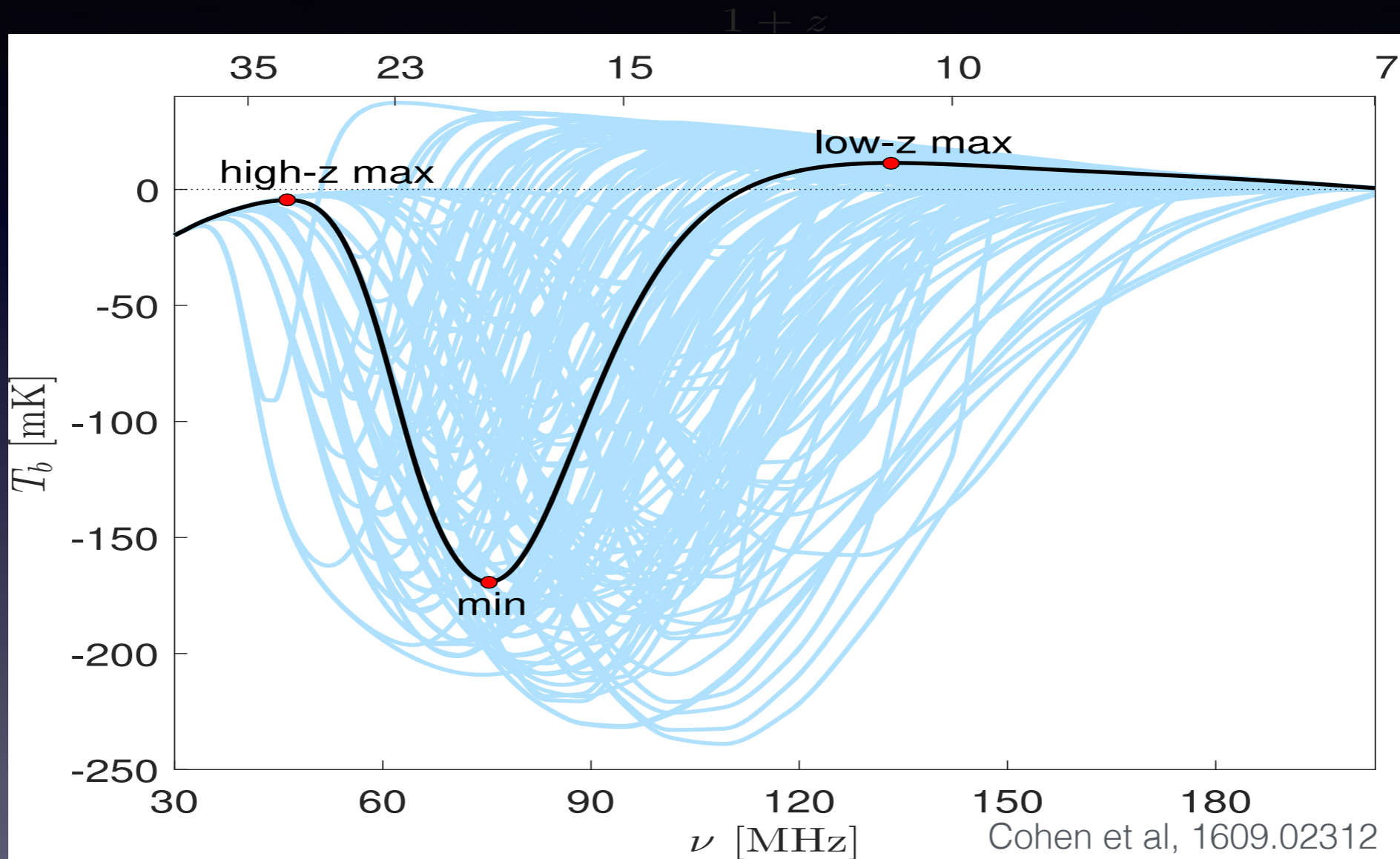
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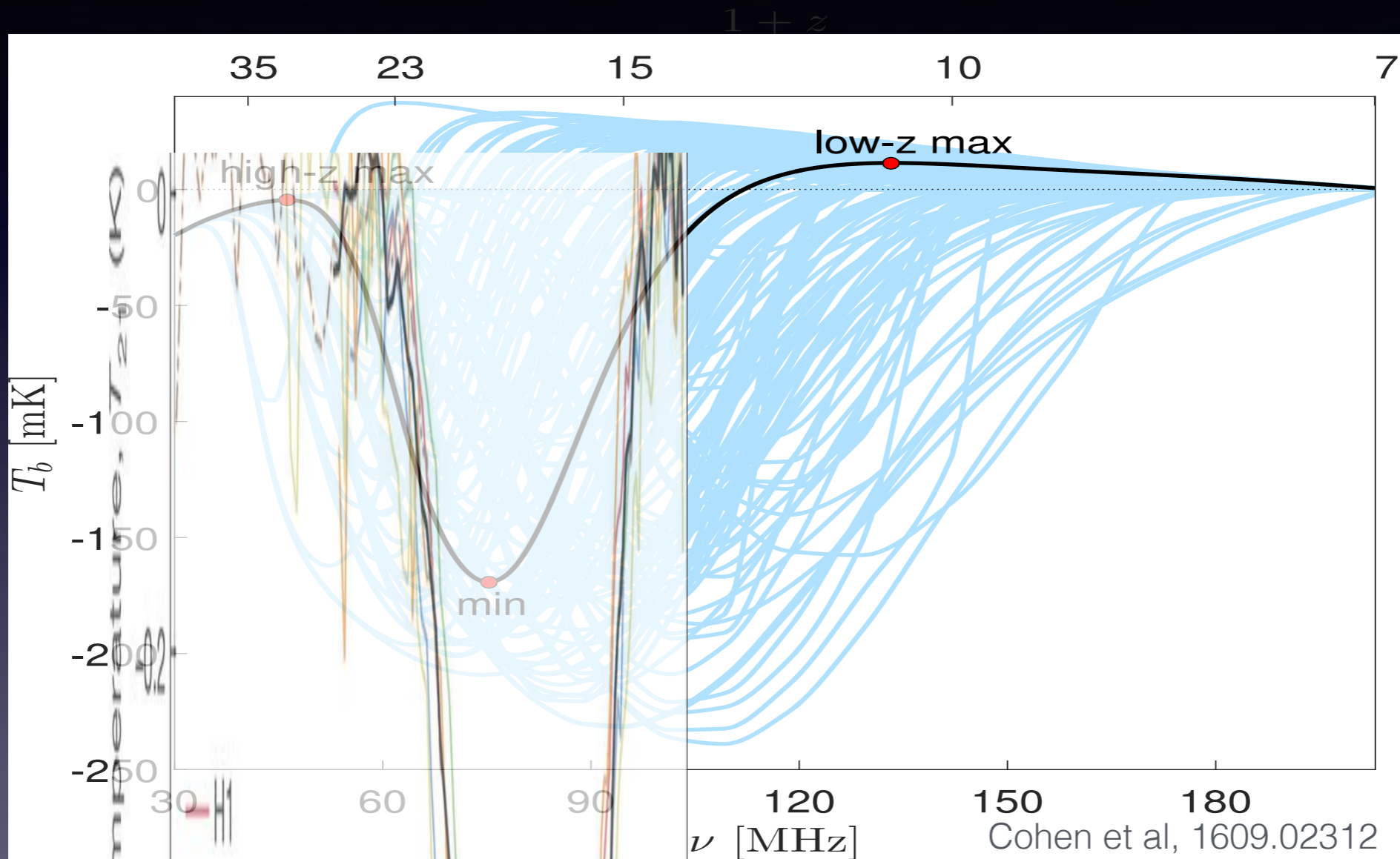
$$T_{21,\text{SM}} > -200 \text{ mK}$$



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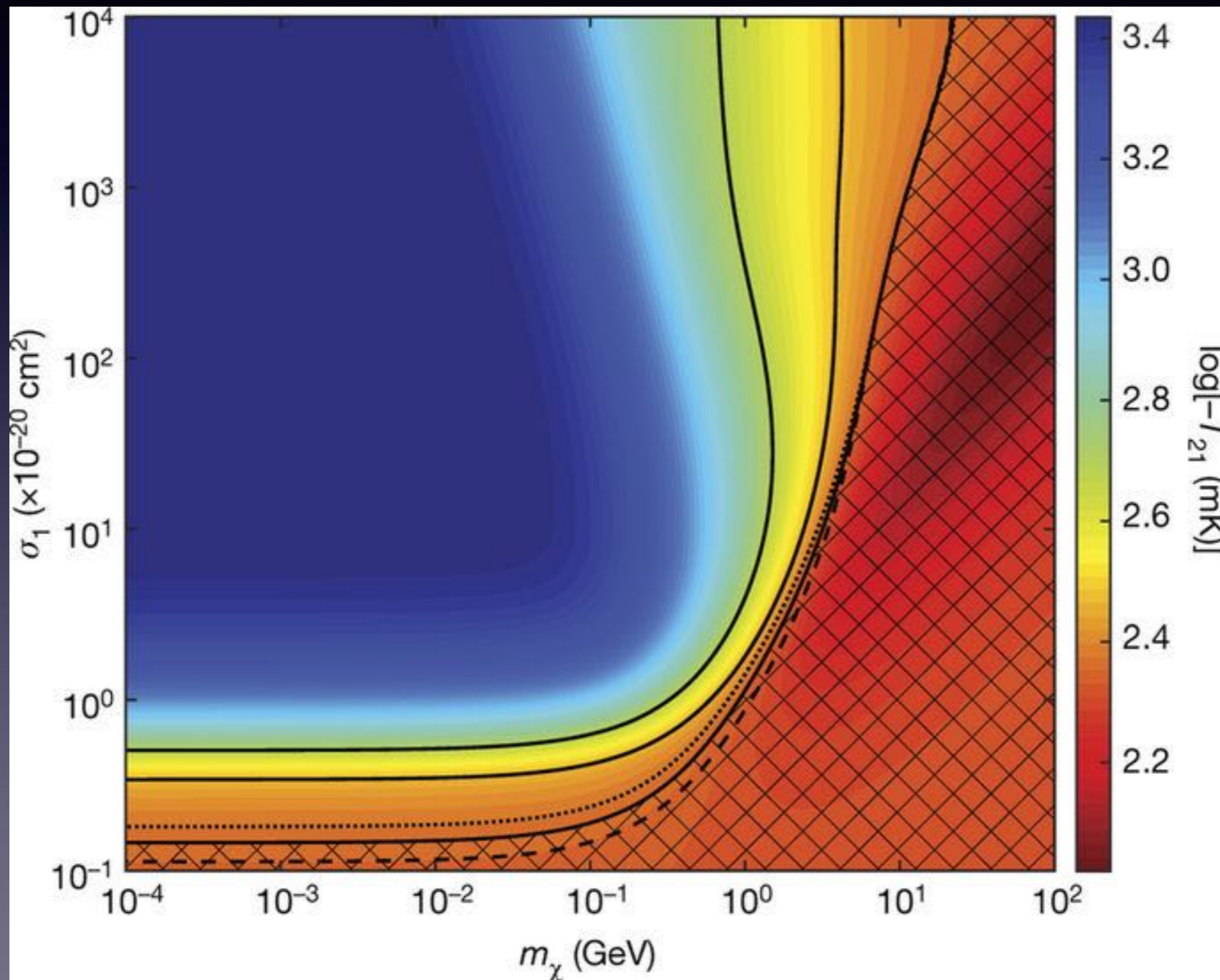


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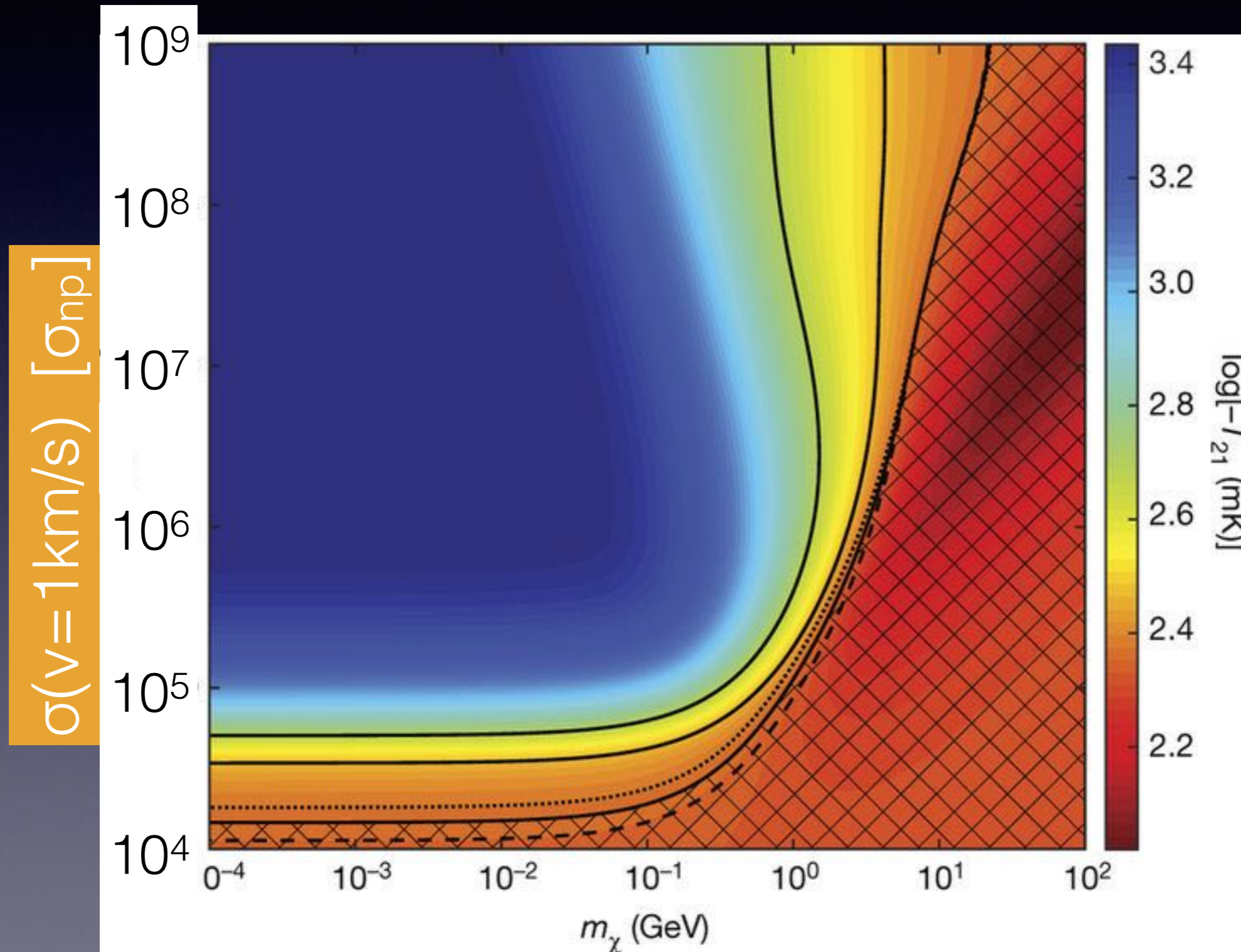
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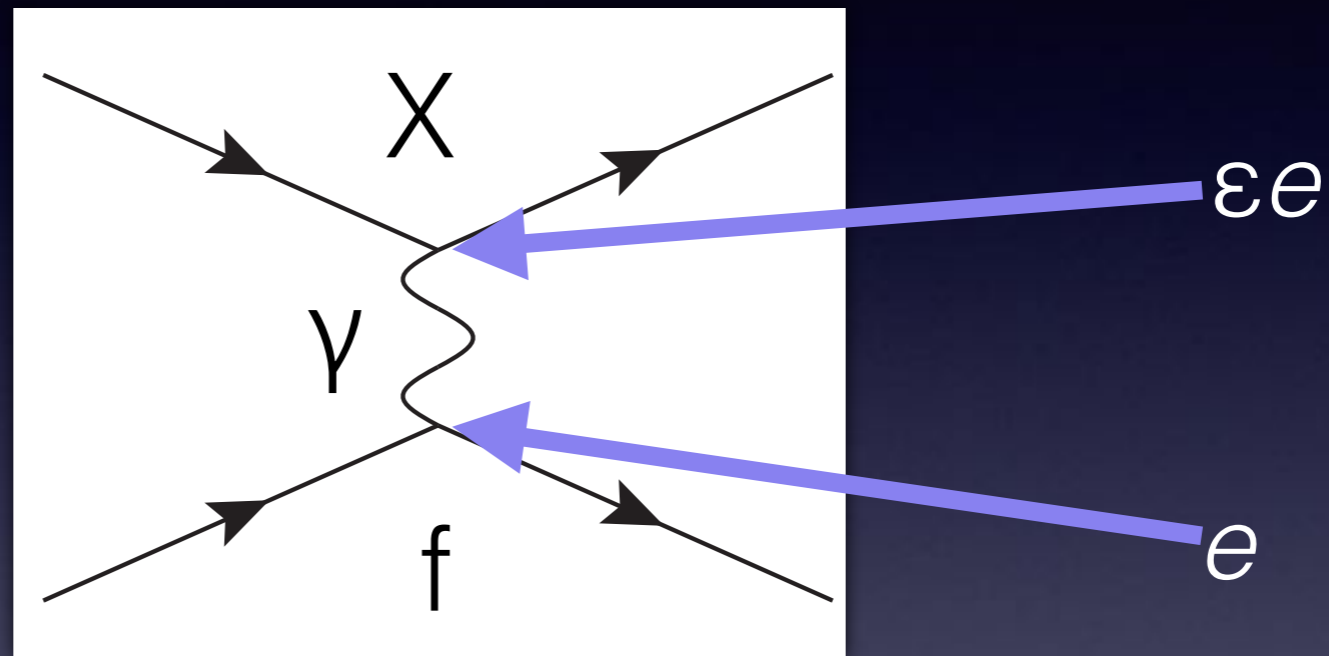


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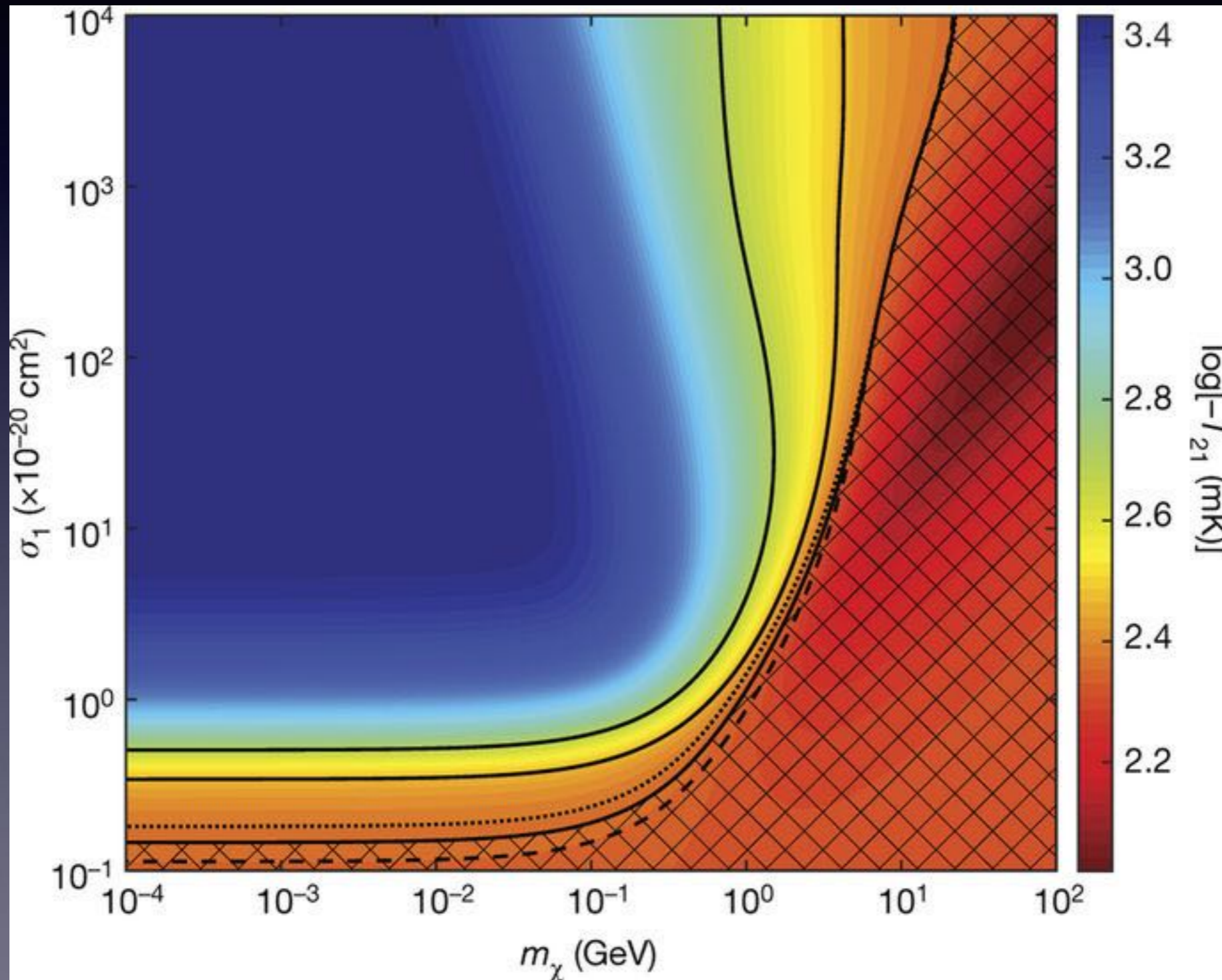
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# Millicharge Scattering



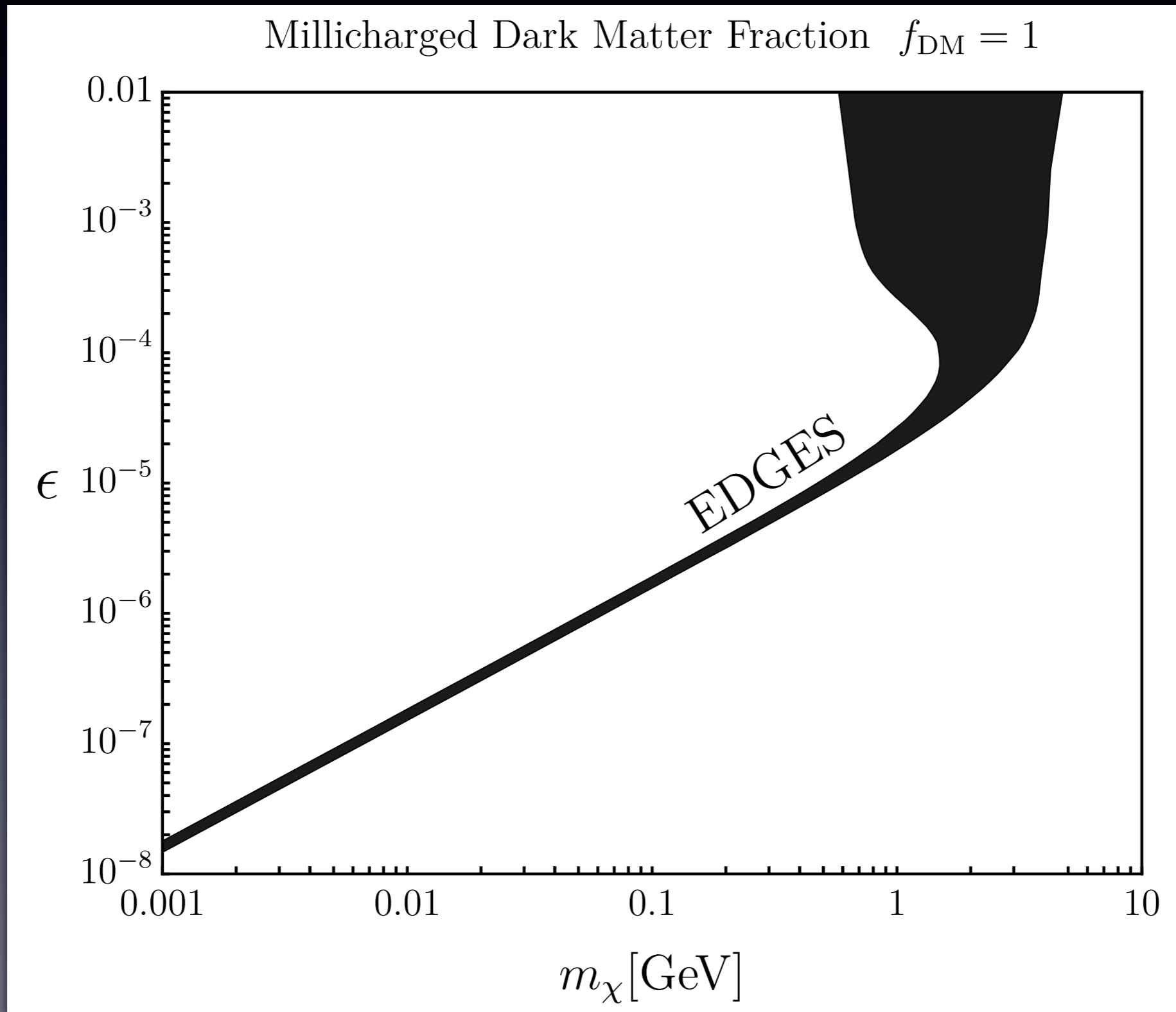
$$\frac{d\sigma_{Xf}}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha_{\text{EM}}^2 \epsilon^2}{4\mu_{Xf}^2 v_{\text{rel}}^4 \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \rightarrow$$
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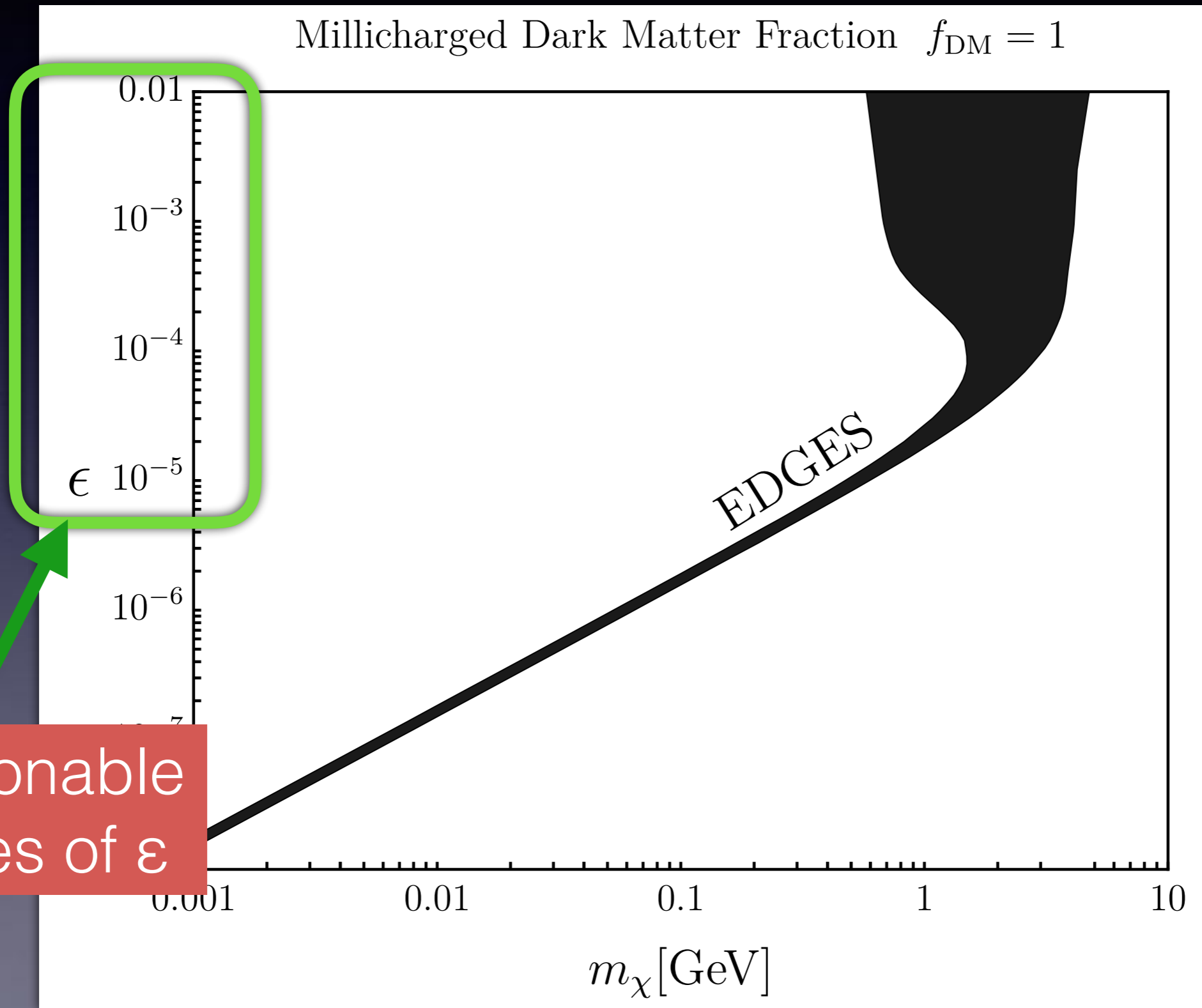


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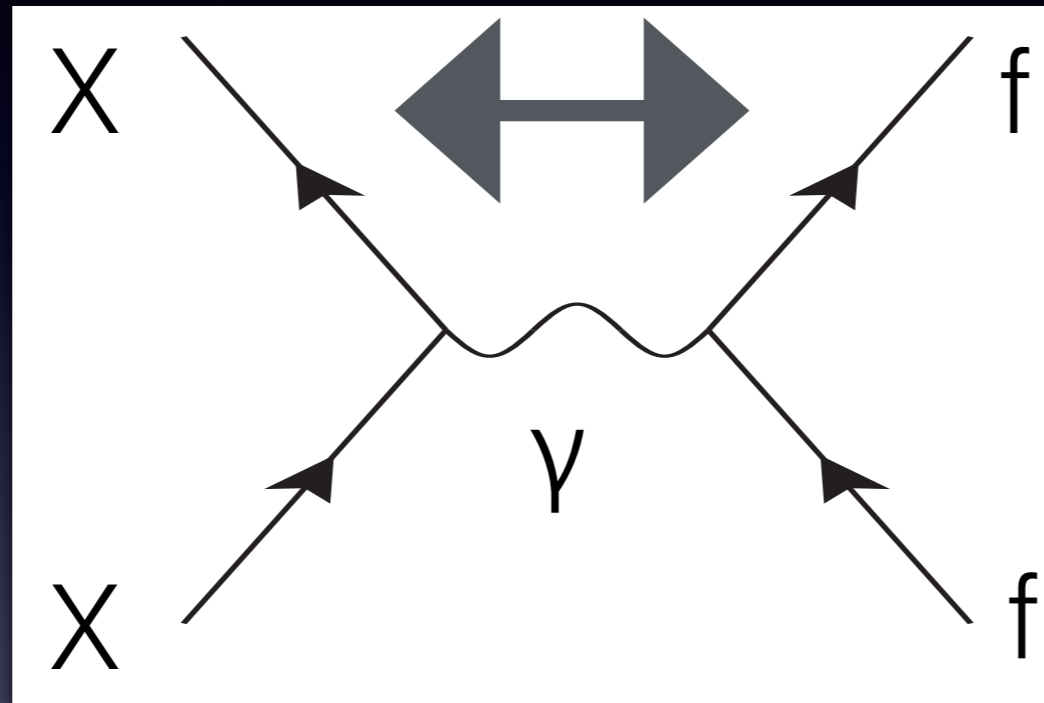
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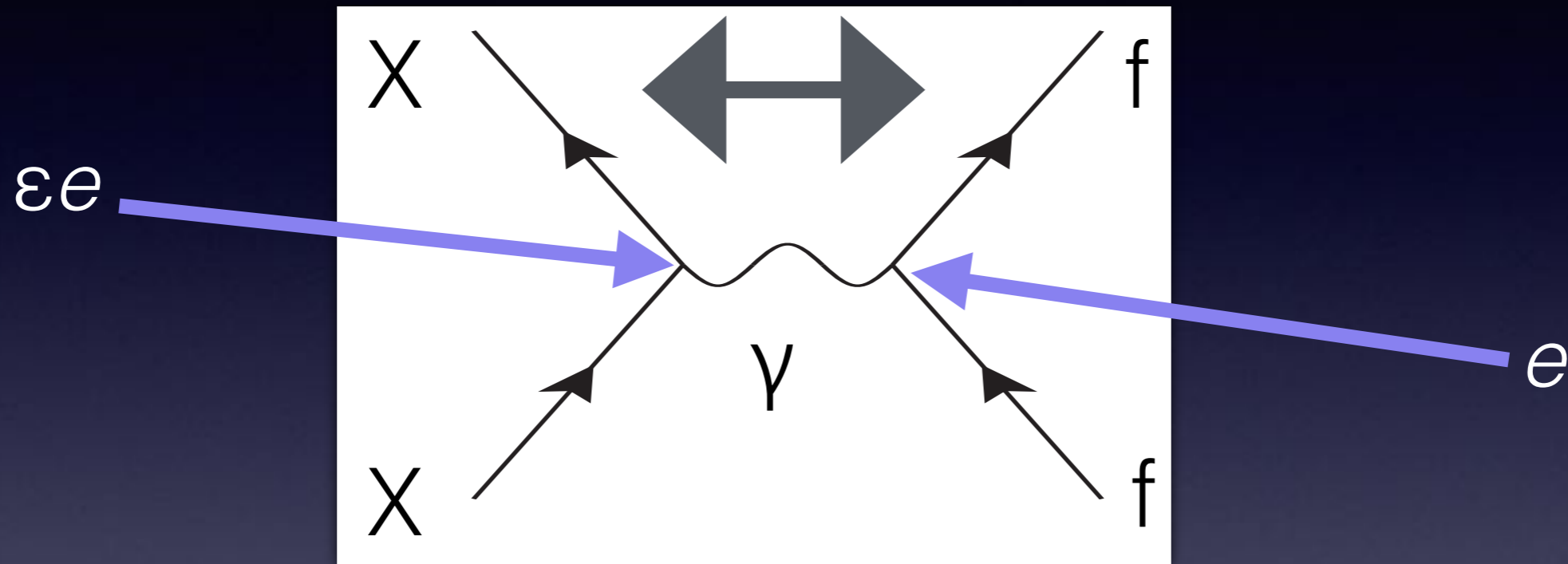
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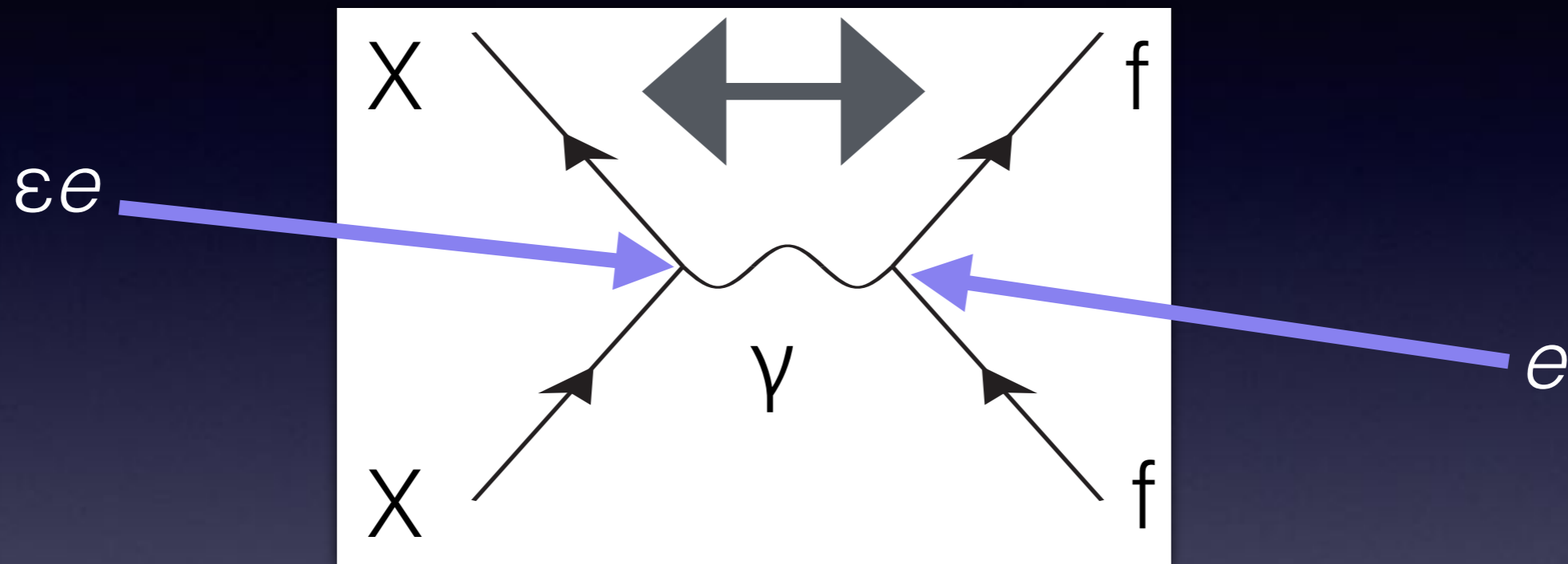
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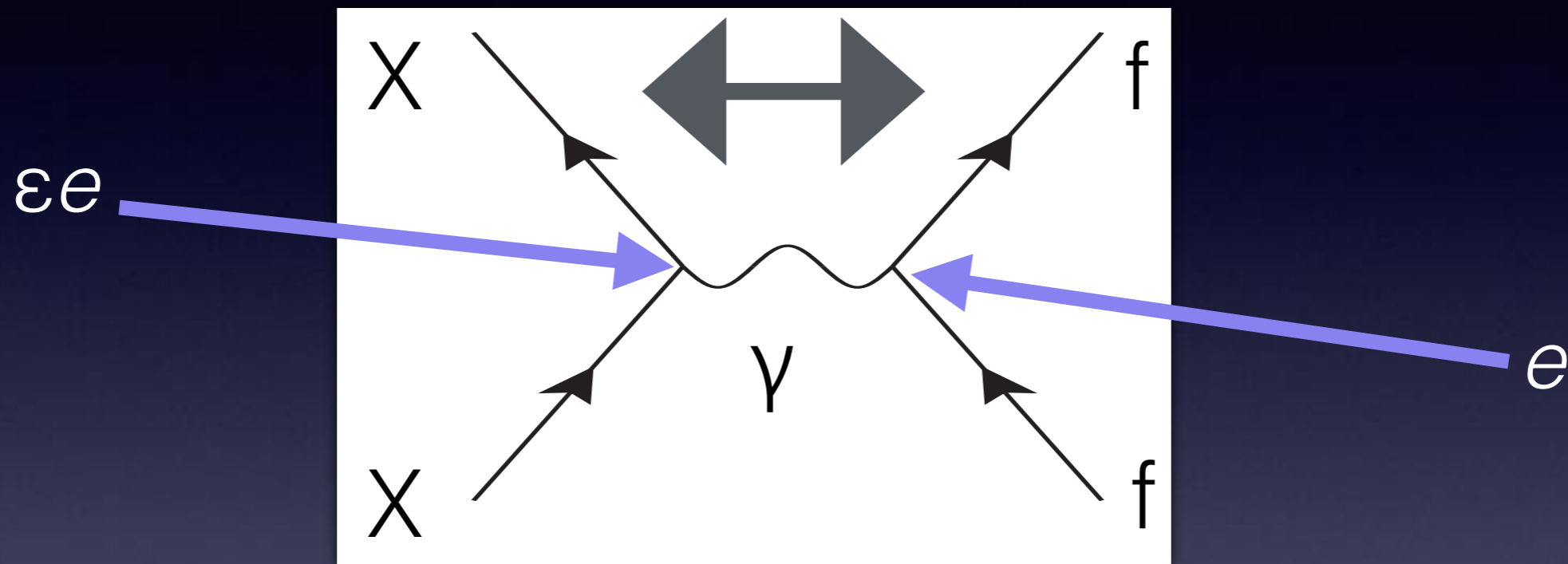
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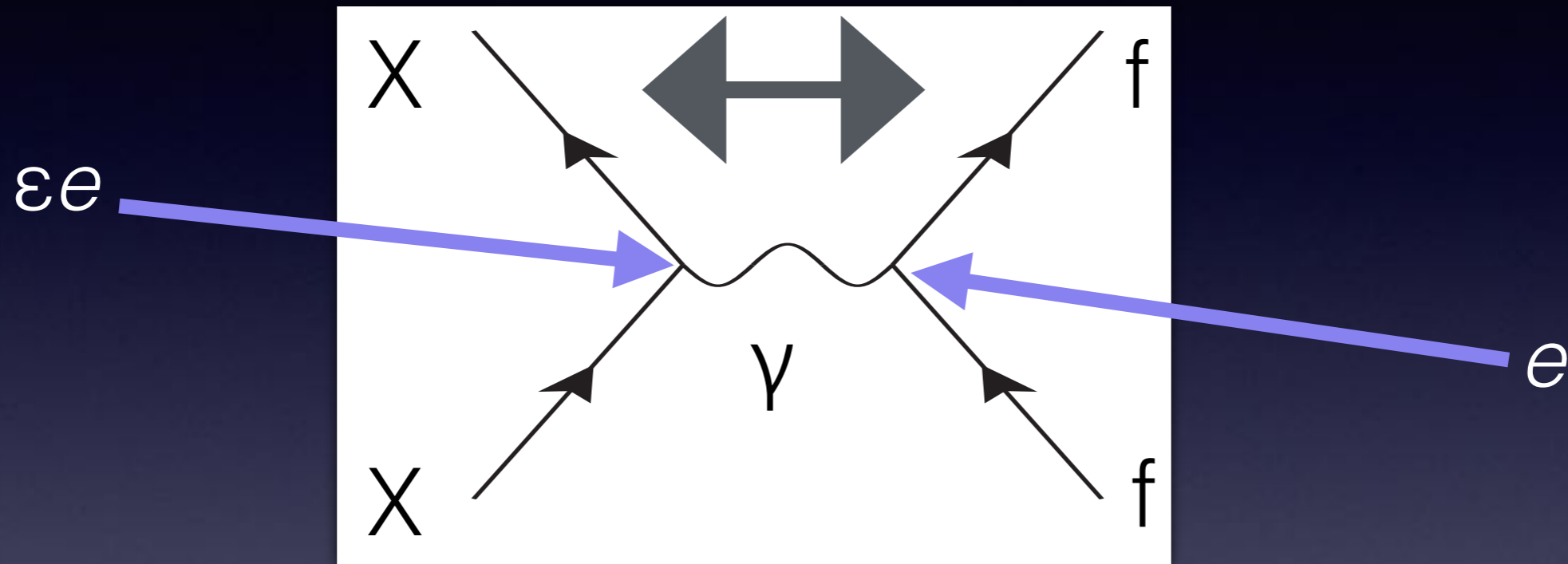


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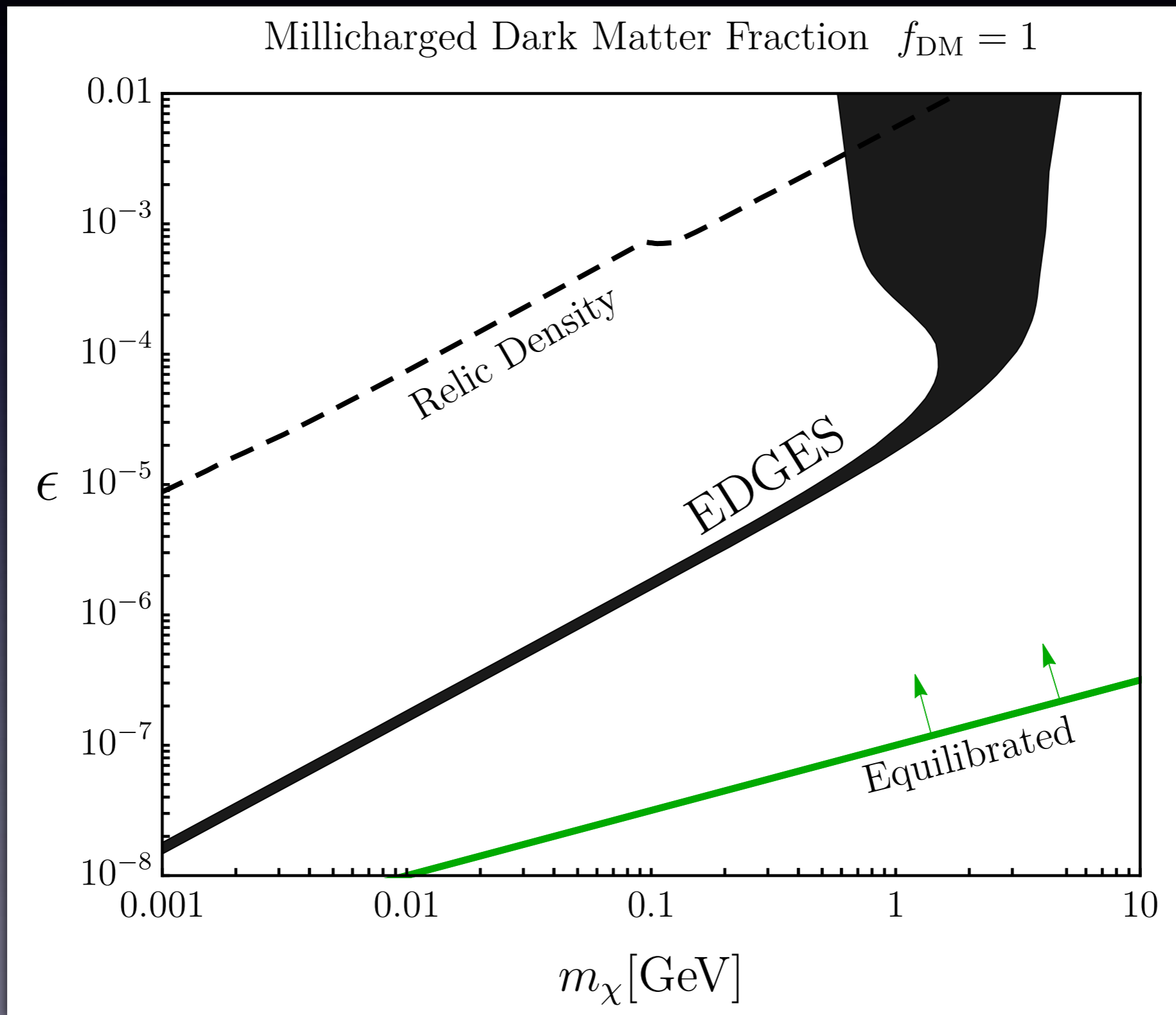


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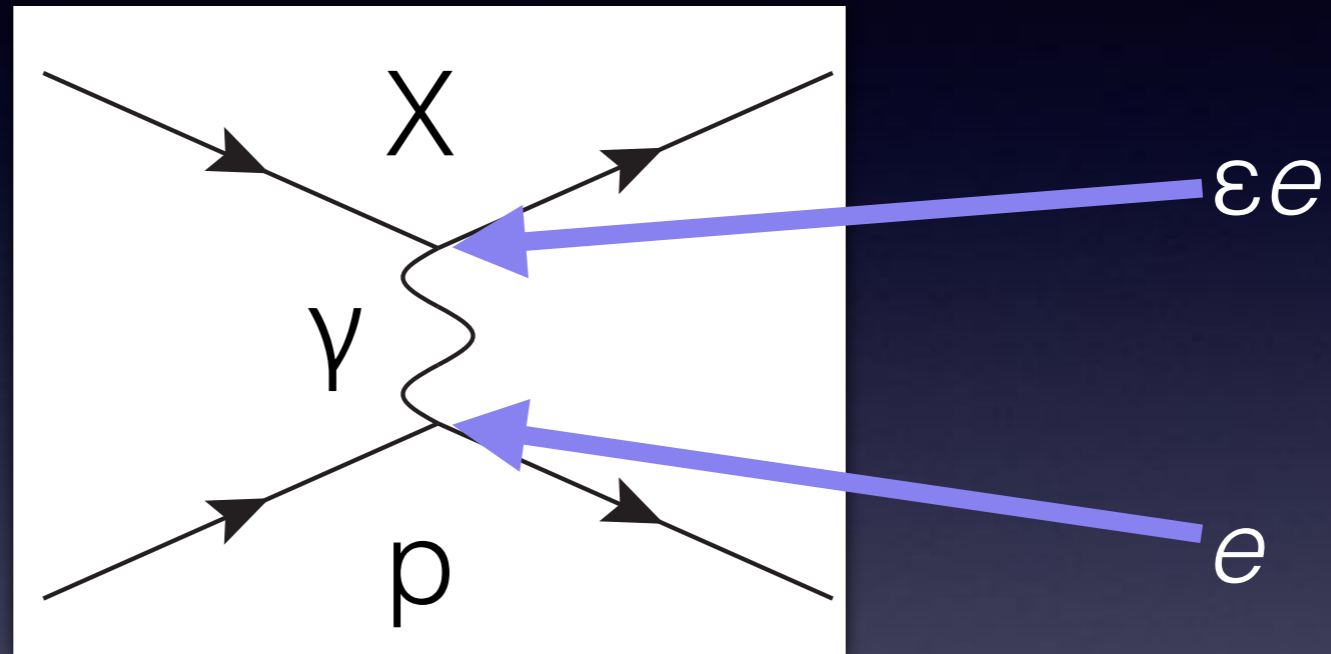
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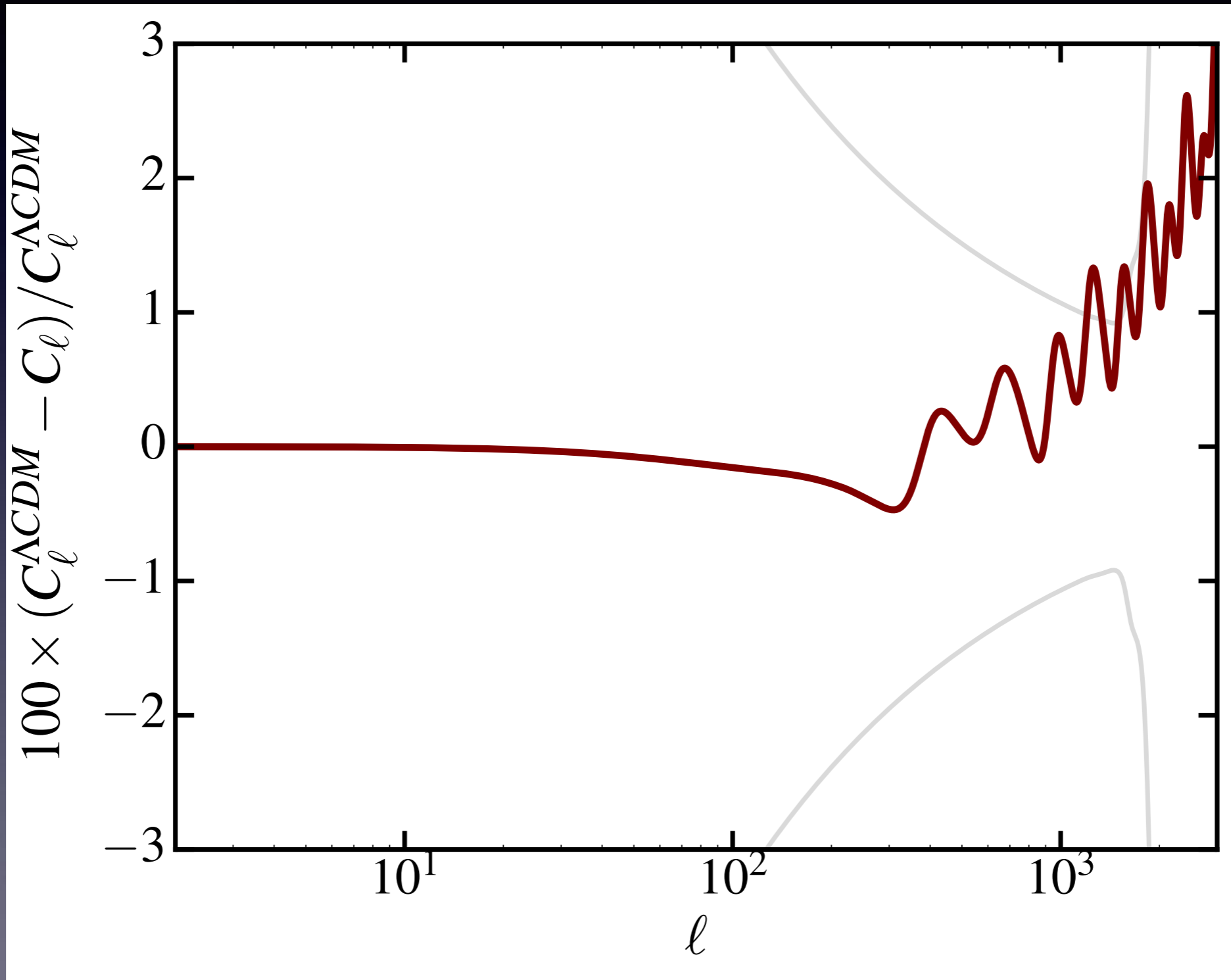


# CMB



Baryons should not scatter efficiently with dark matter at the time of CMB:  $\Gamma_{Xp} < H_{\text{rec}}$

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Gluscevic  
& Boddy,  
1712.07133

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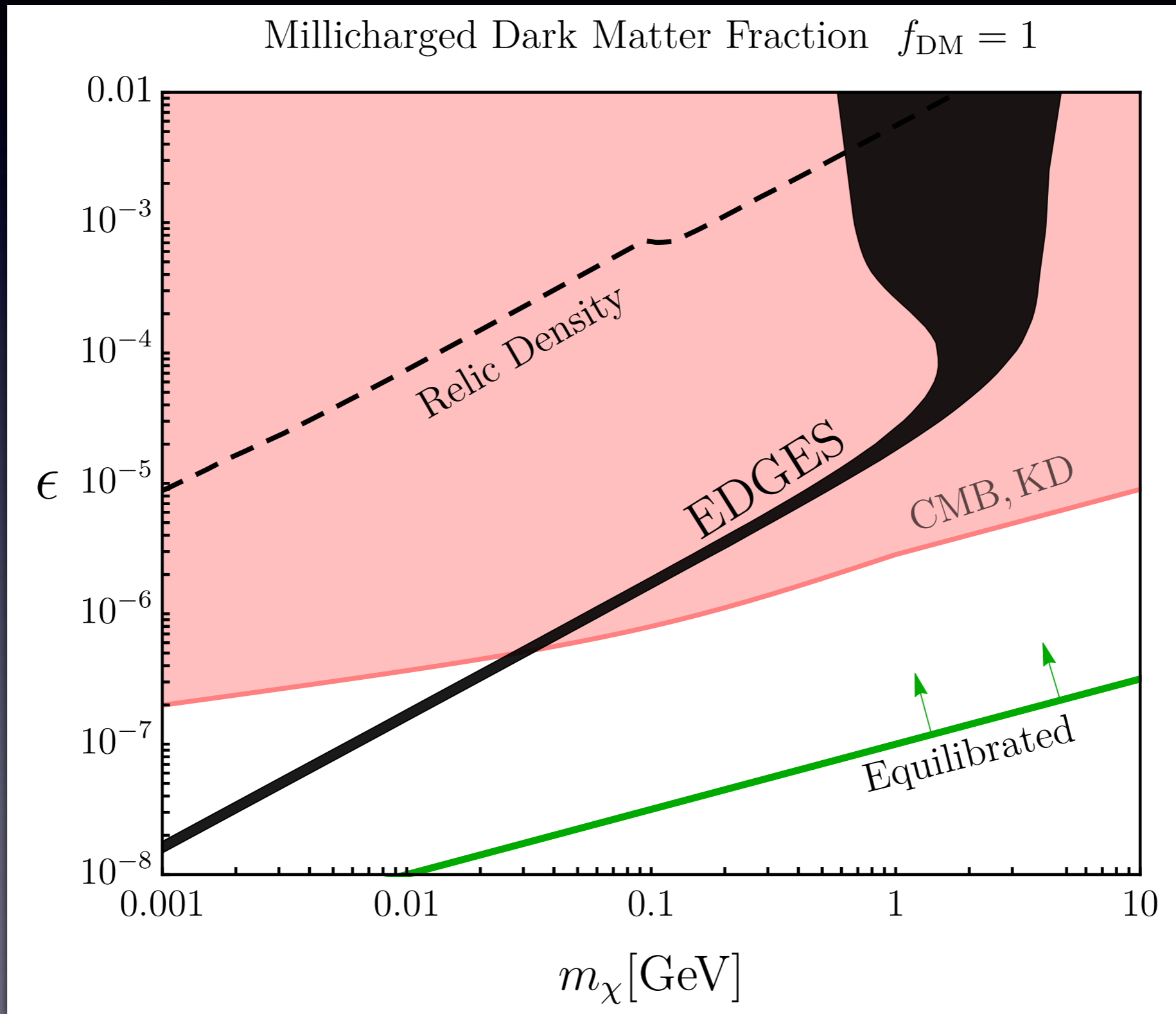
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(warning — new work indicates this is too conservative)

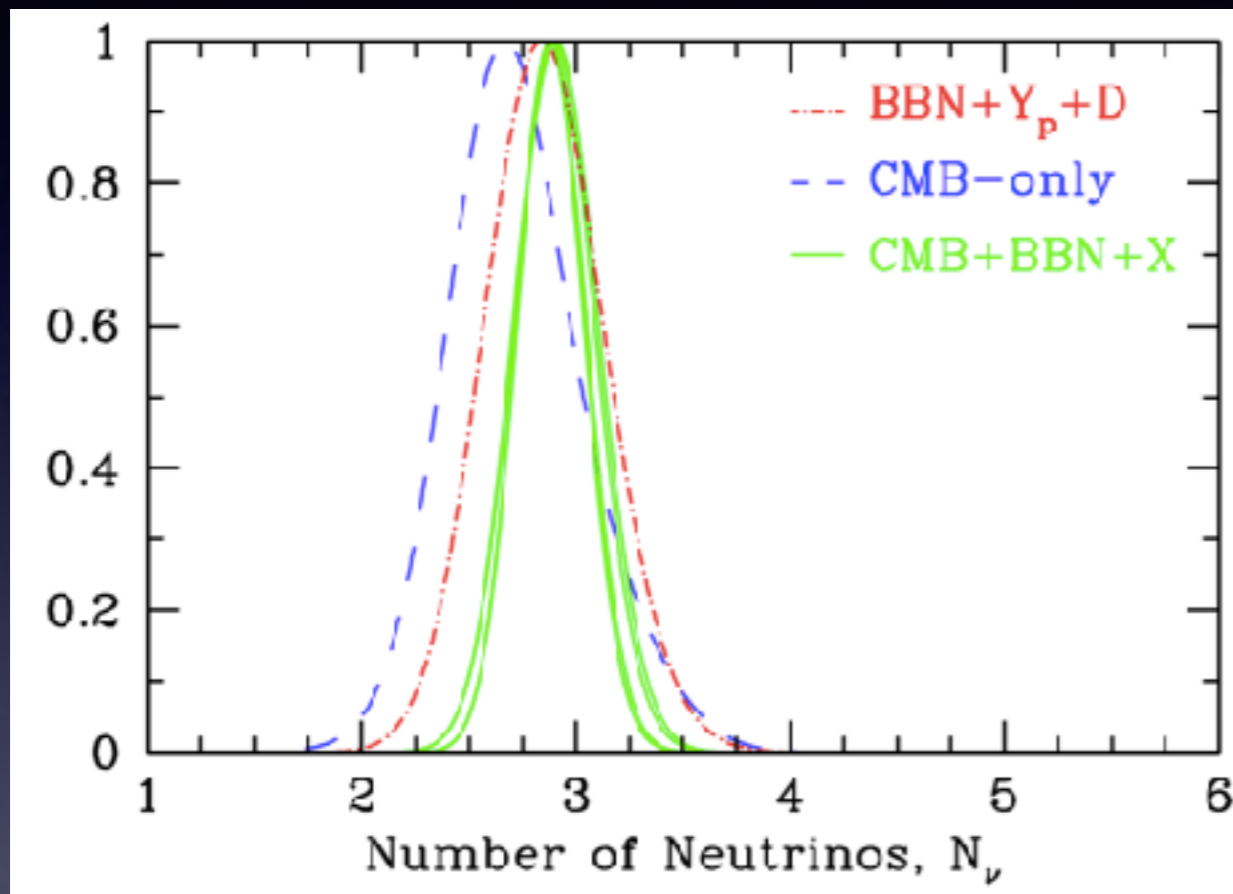


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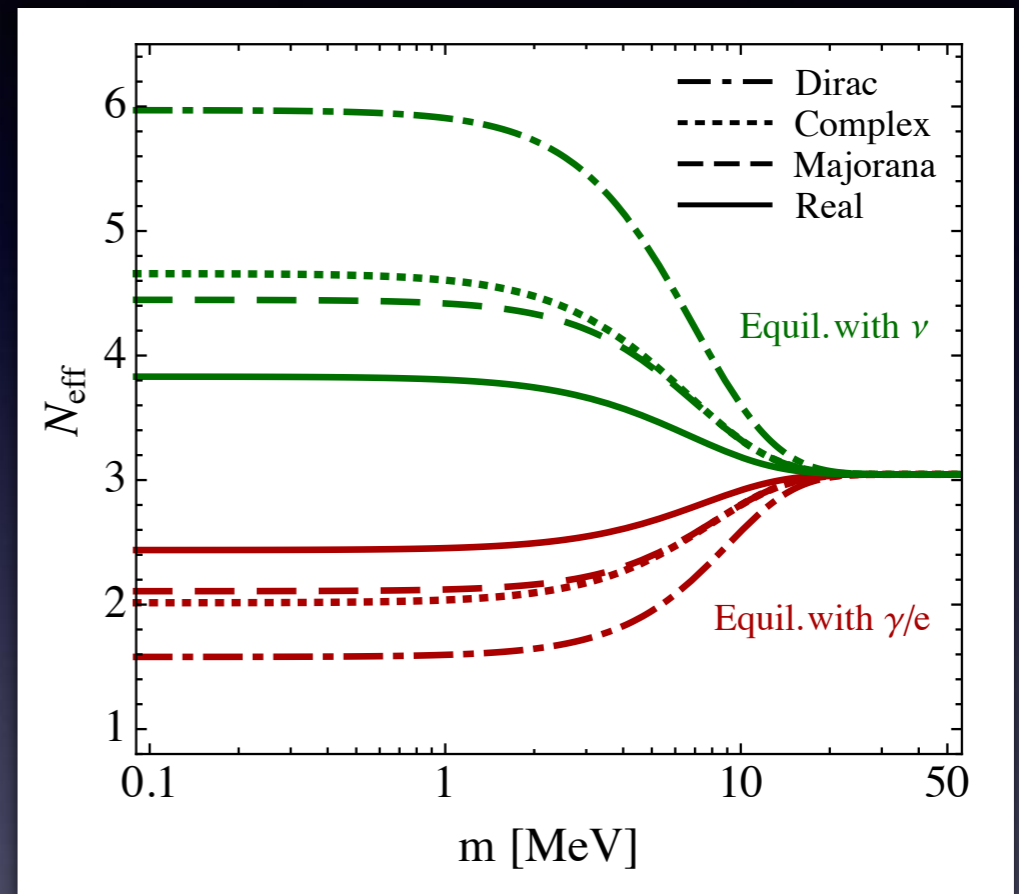


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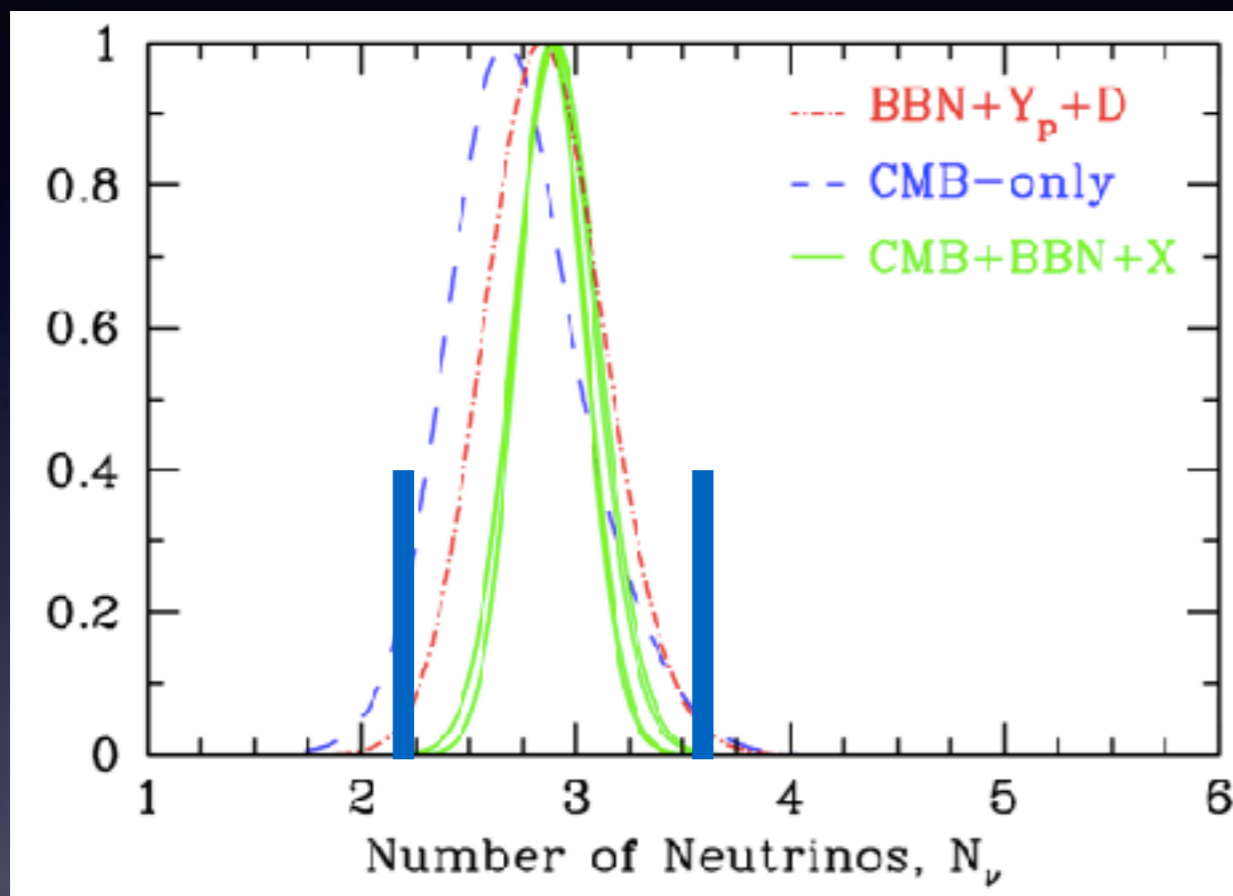
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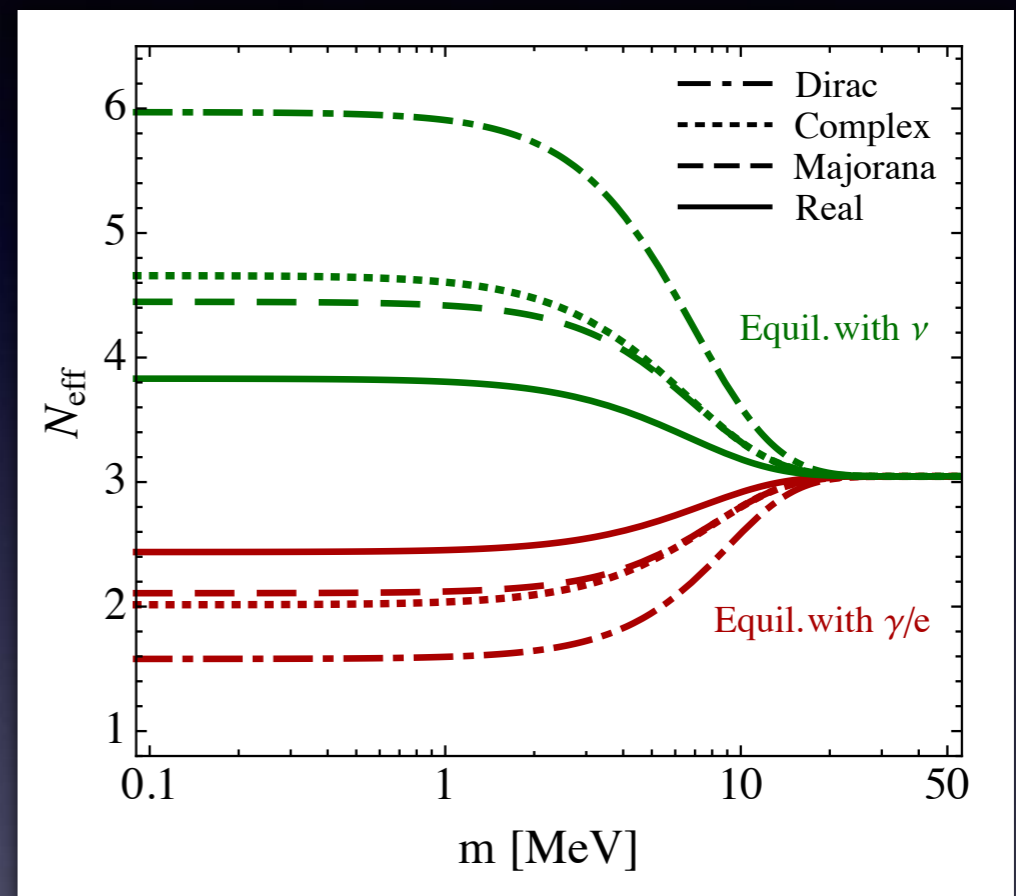
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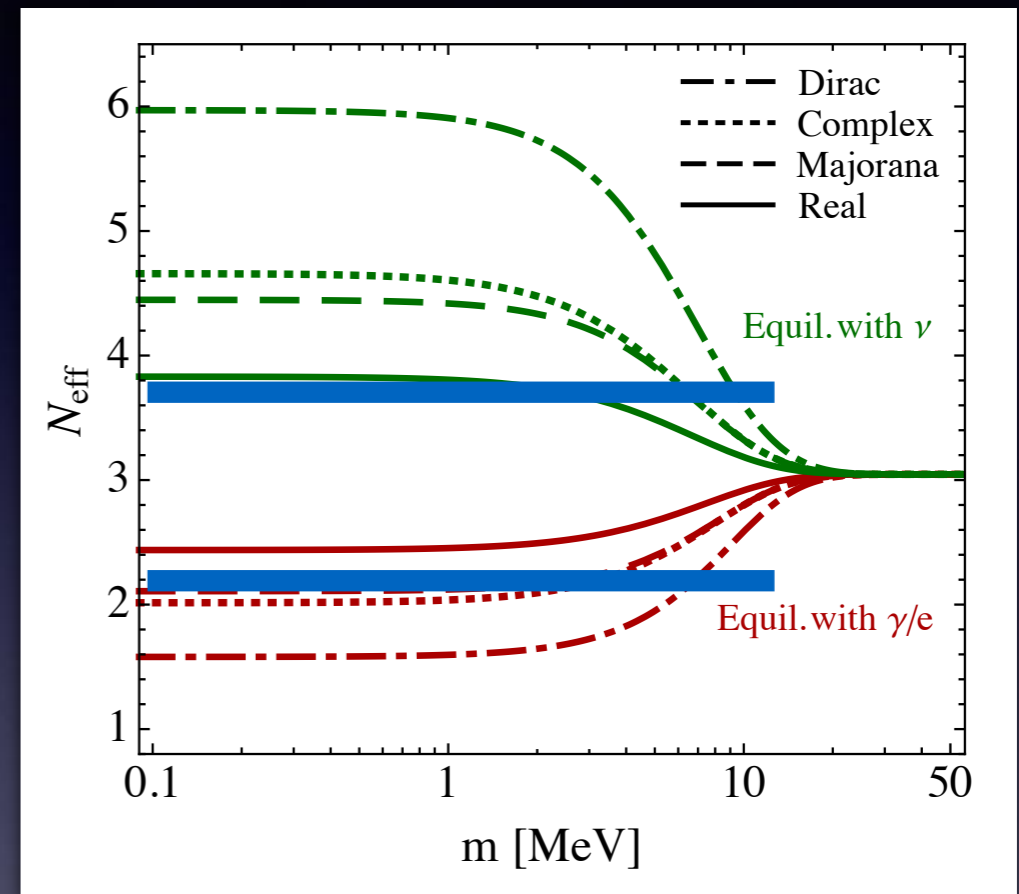
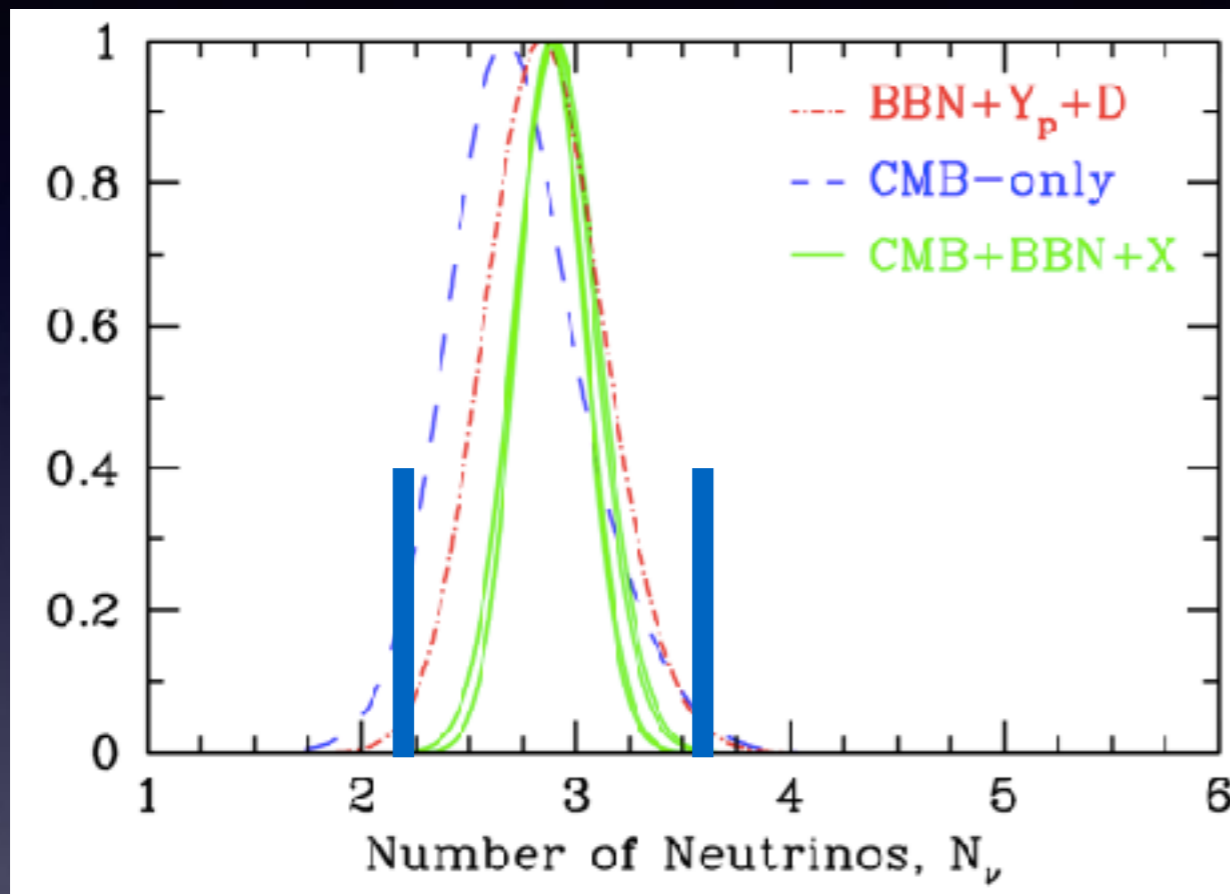


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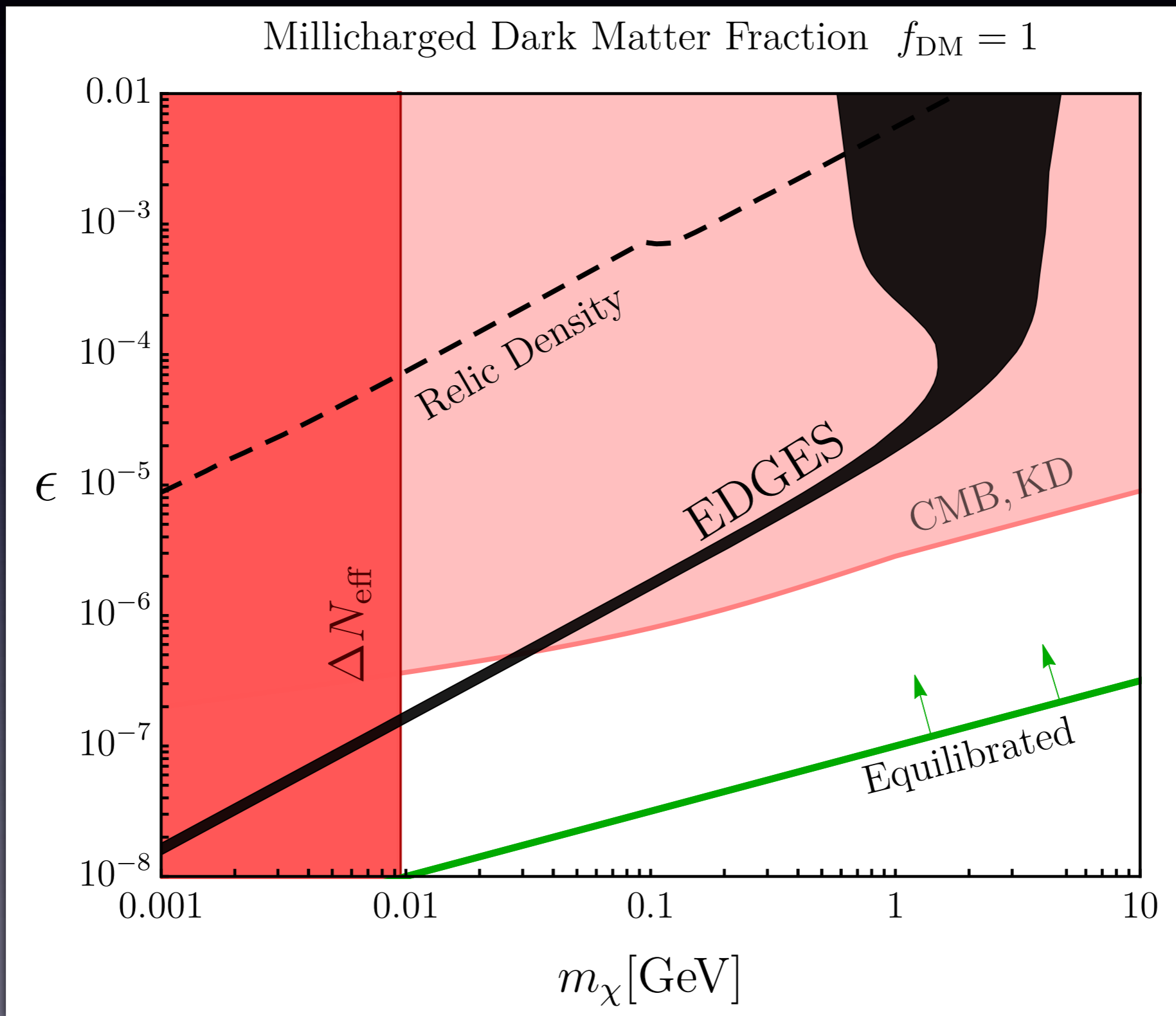
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Generically rules out  $m_\chi \lesssim 10$  MeV

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# Crash Course: SN1987A



Core collapse supernova in the LMC detected simultaneously in Jan 1987 with three instruments (Baksan, IMB, and Kamiokande II)

~ 99% of the difference in grav. binding energy radiated away in the form of neutrinos over ~ 10 seconds

*Credit: Colin Legg*

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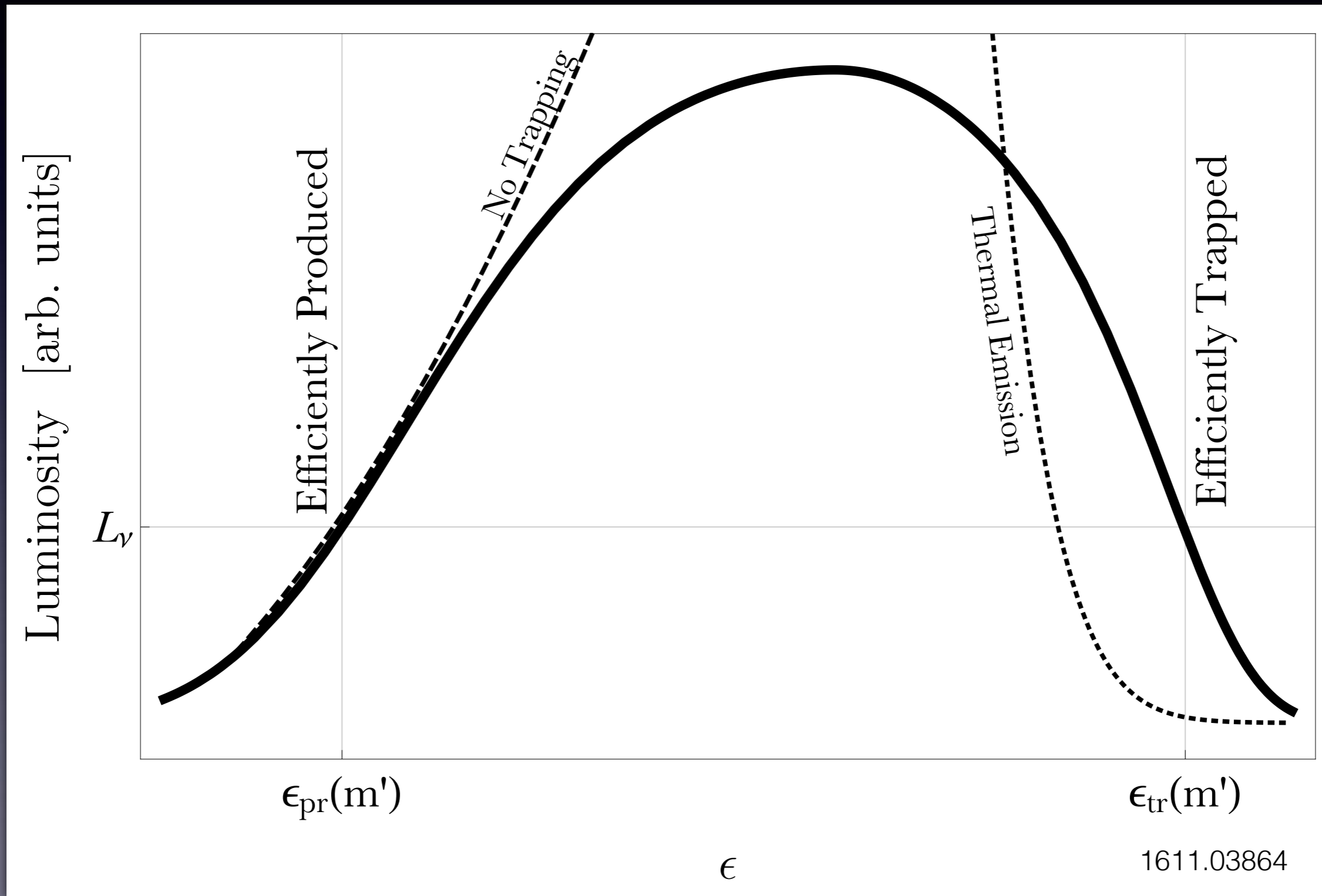
“ $L_{\text{new}} \leq L_{\nu}$ ”

- Cooling phase is consistent with analytic expectation
- ...but wouldn't be if a new “energy sink” competed with Standard Model processes
- **Limited** amount of luminosity may be diverted to **novel particles**  $\iff$  **bounds on new coupling** with SM

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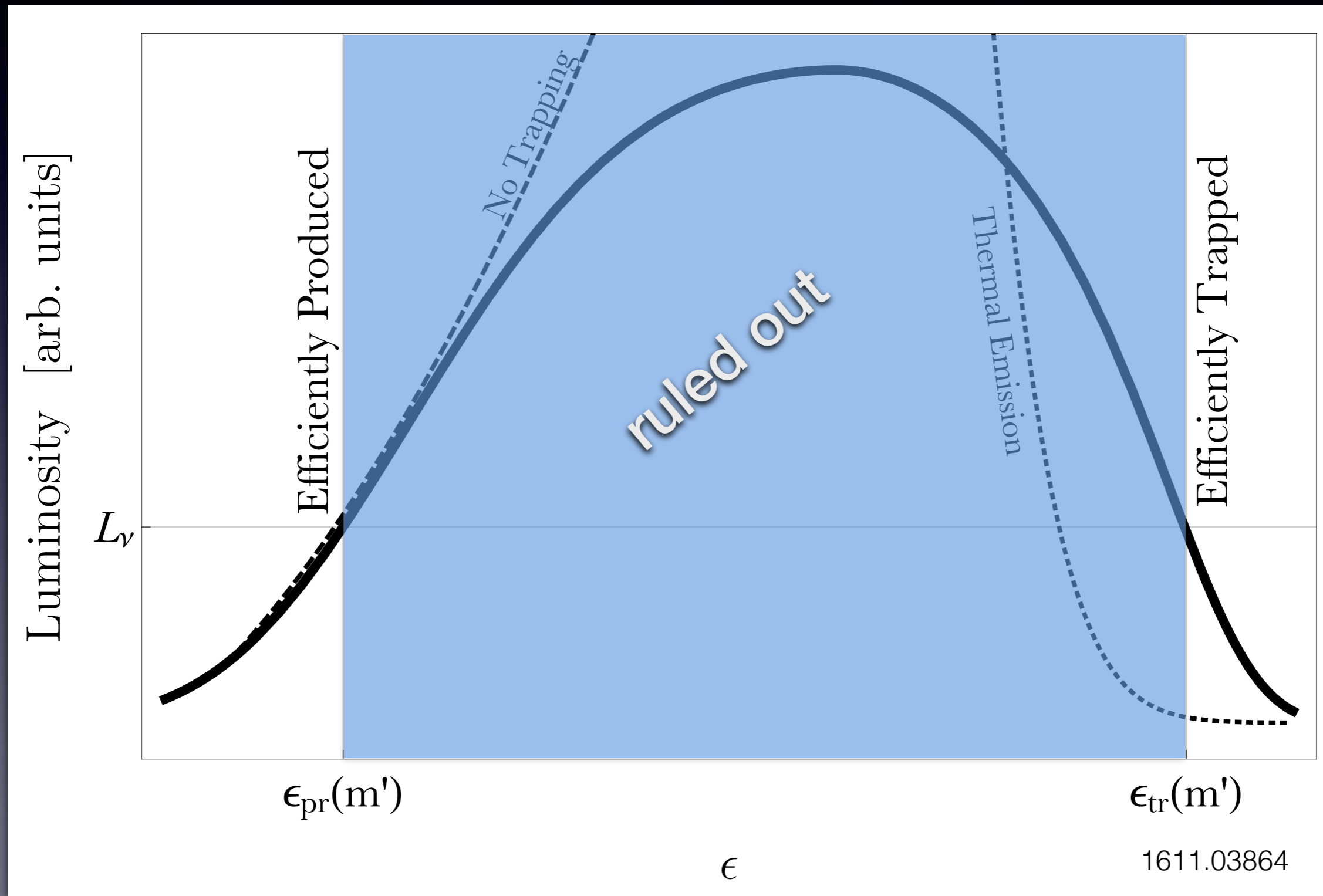
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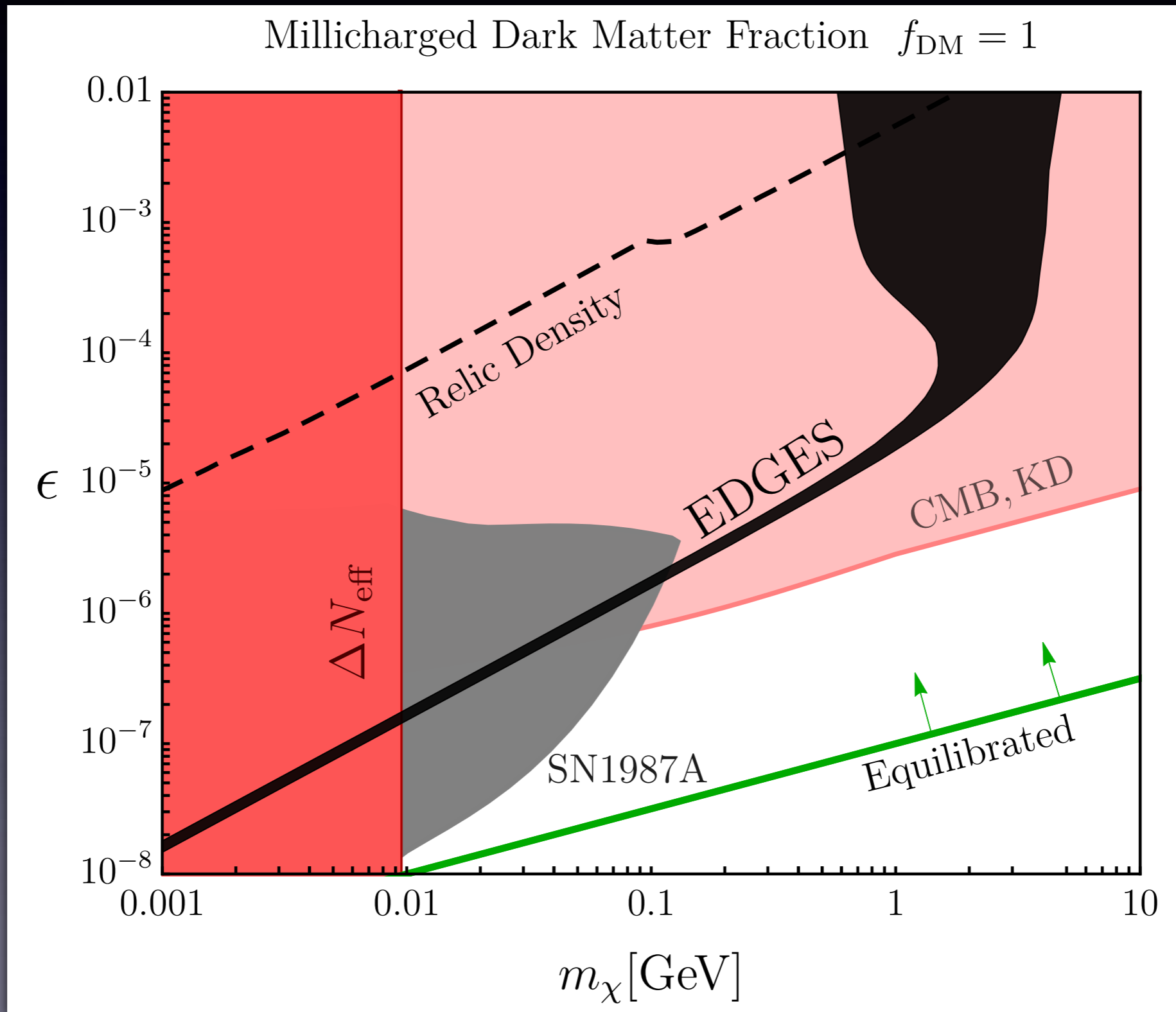




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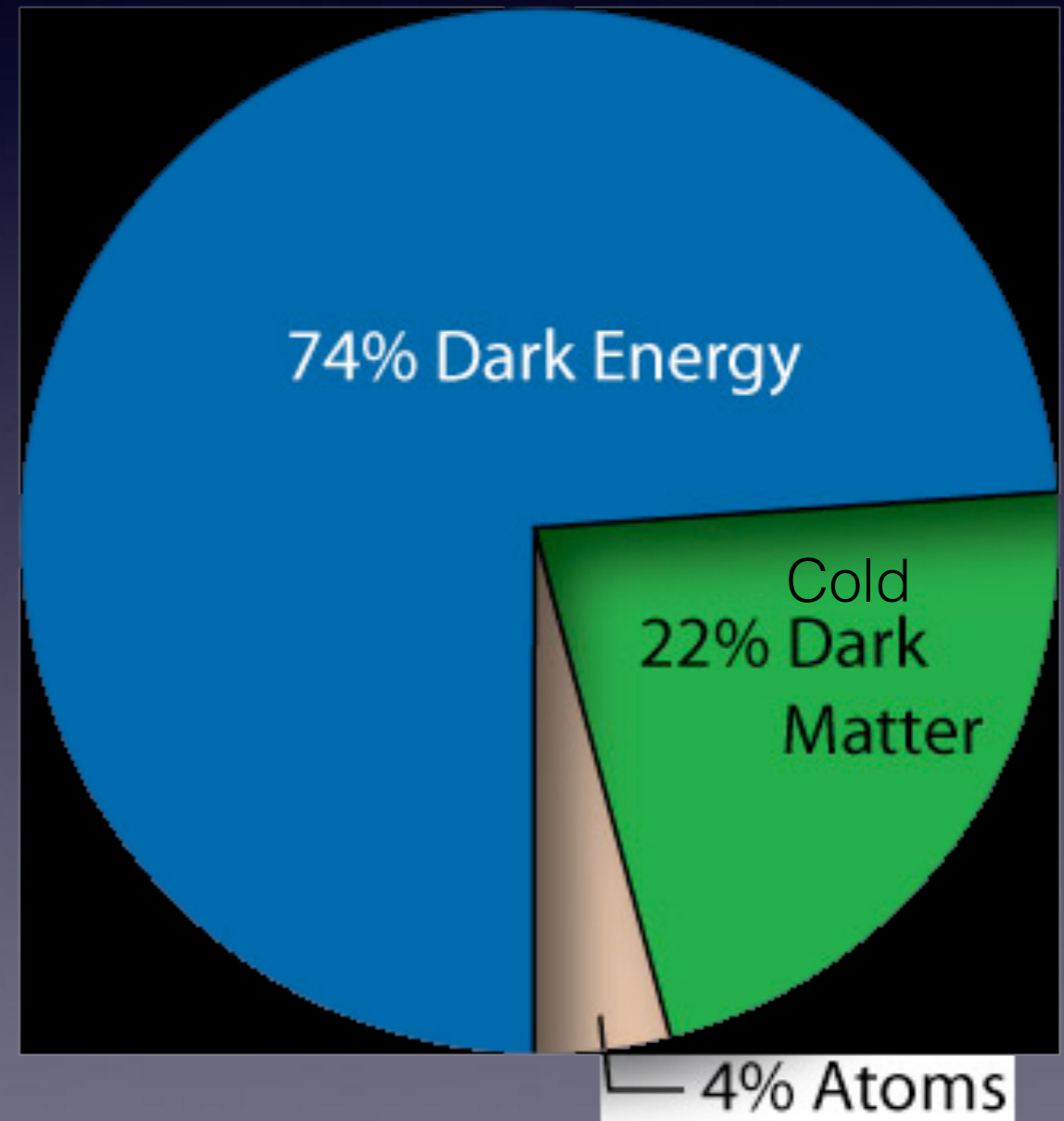
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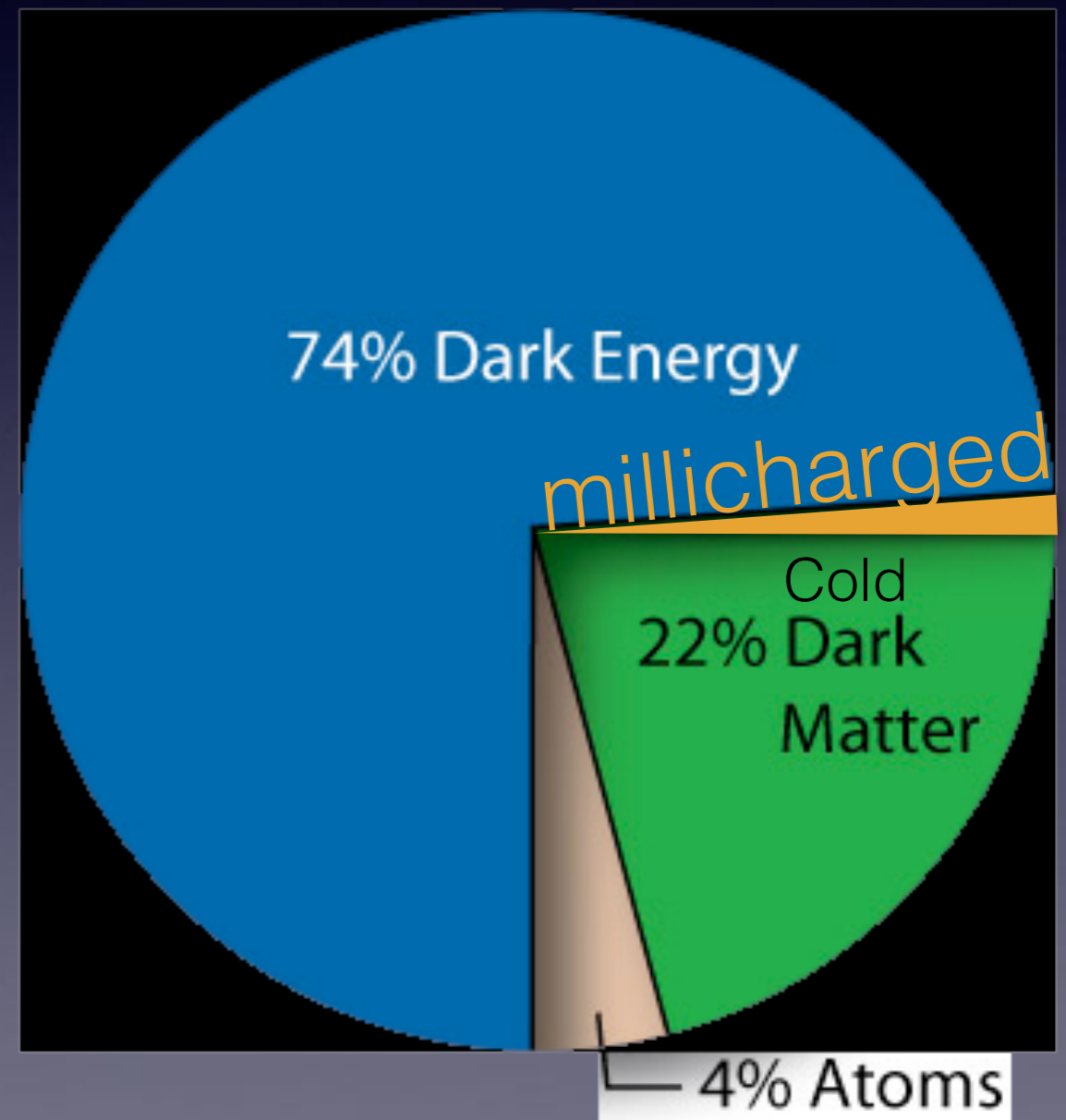
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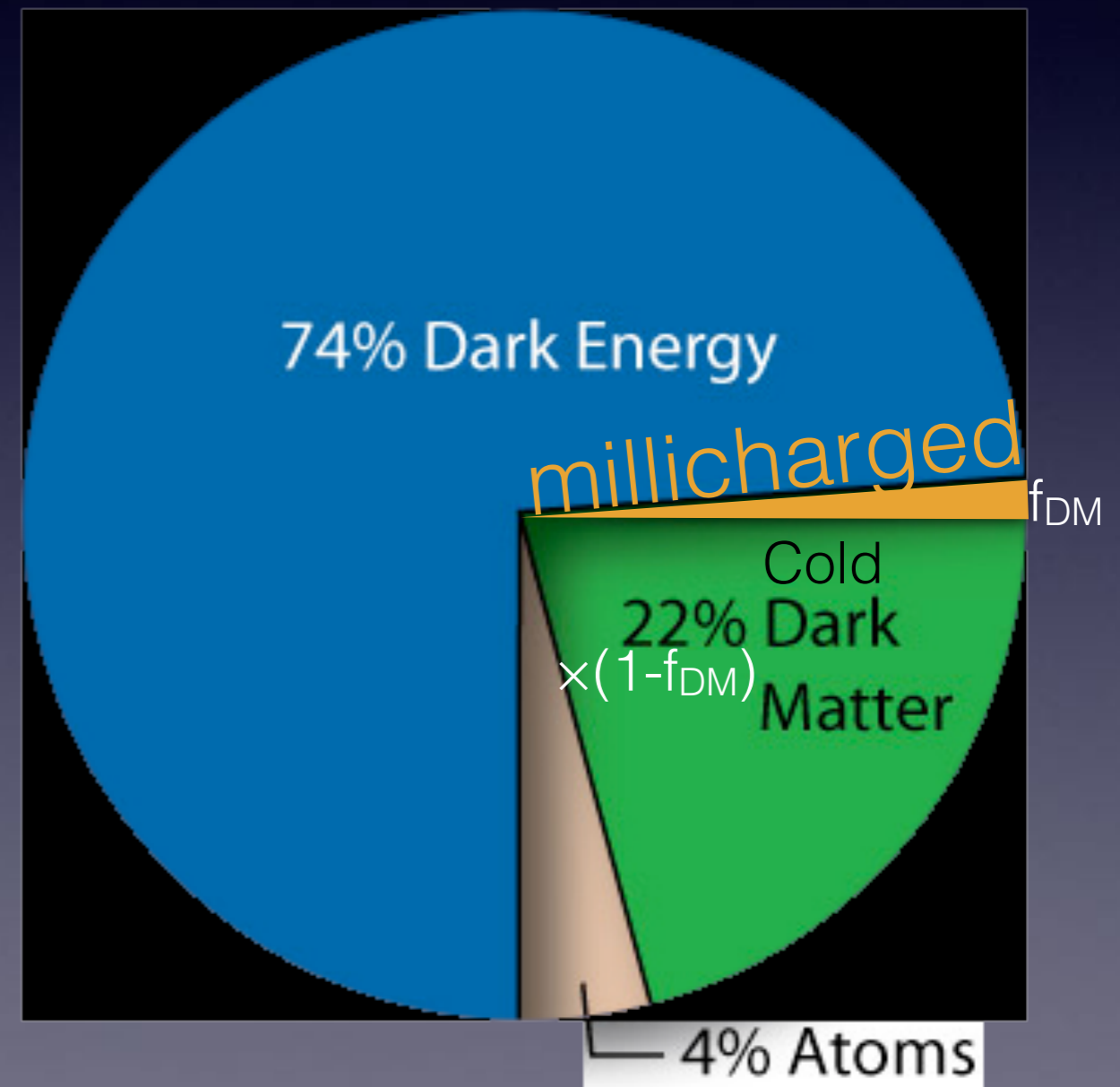


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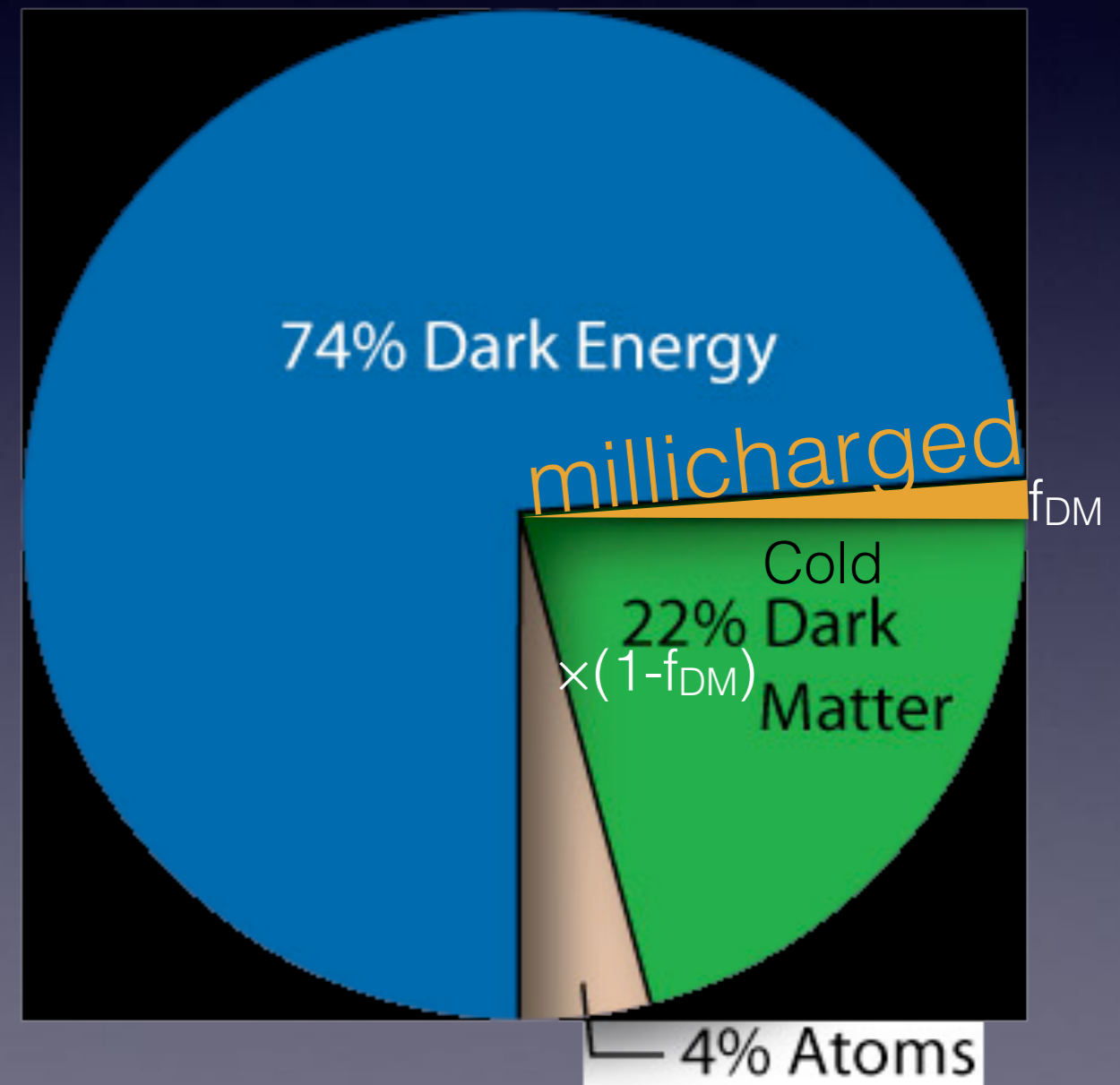
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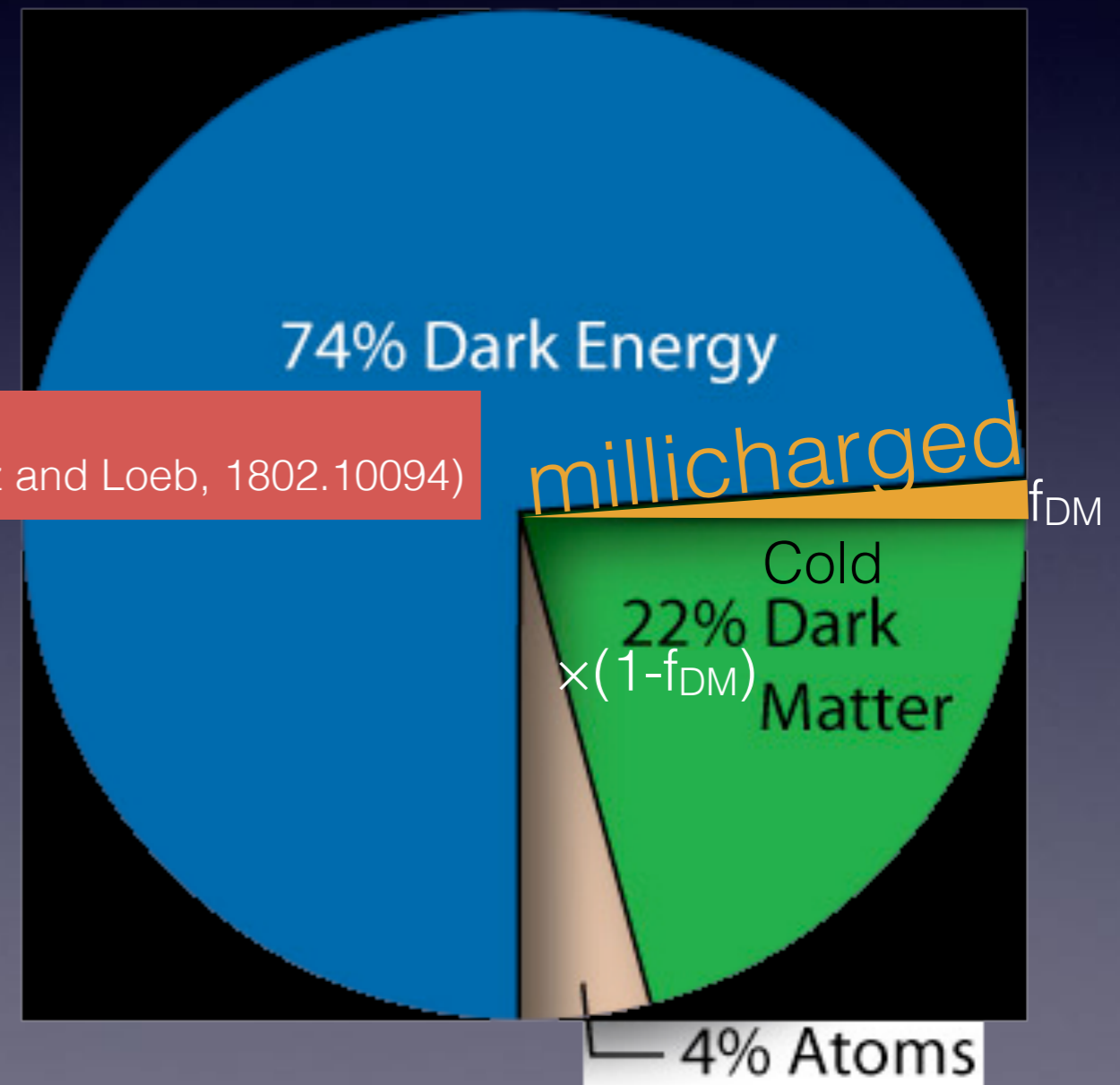
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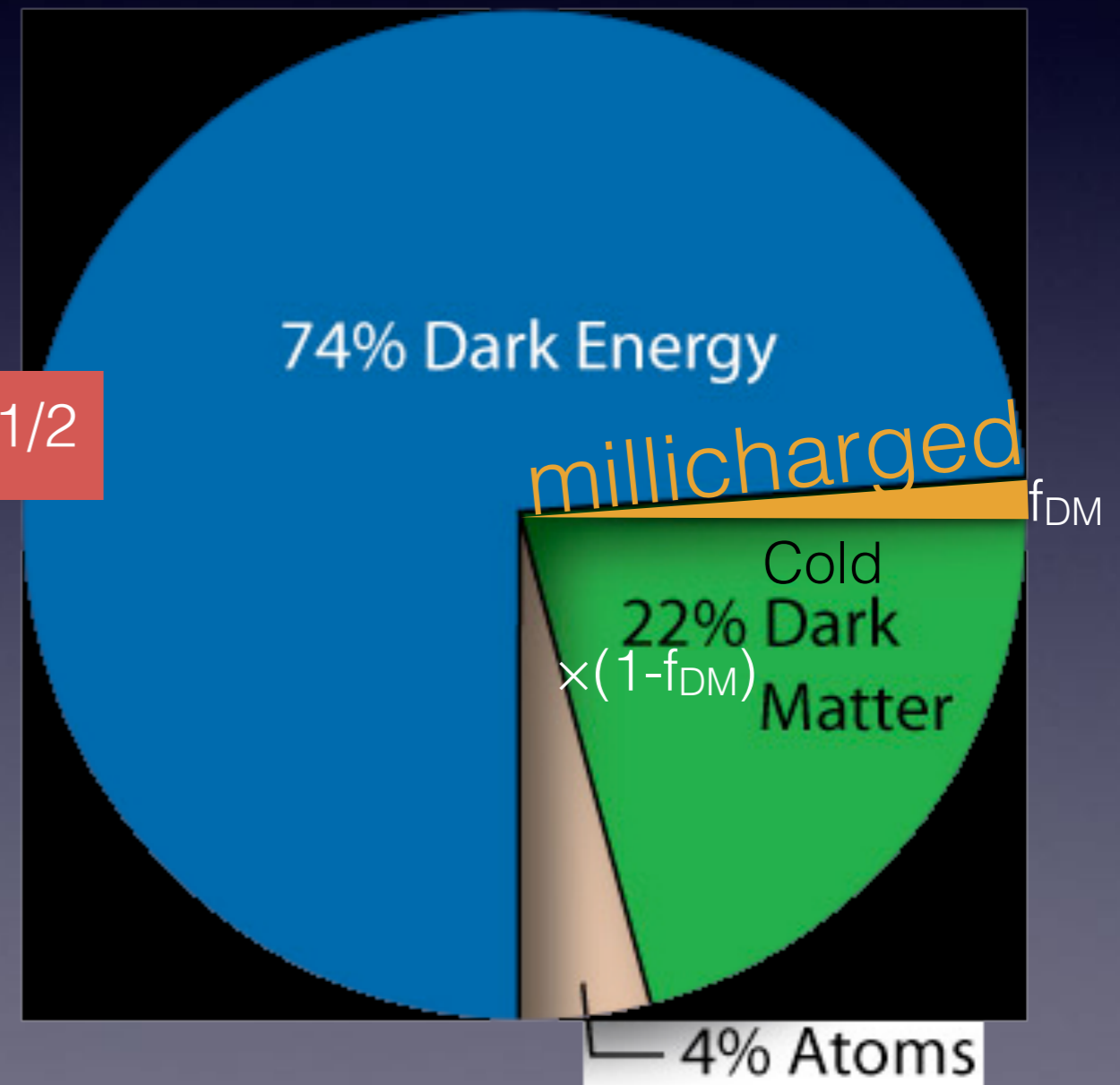
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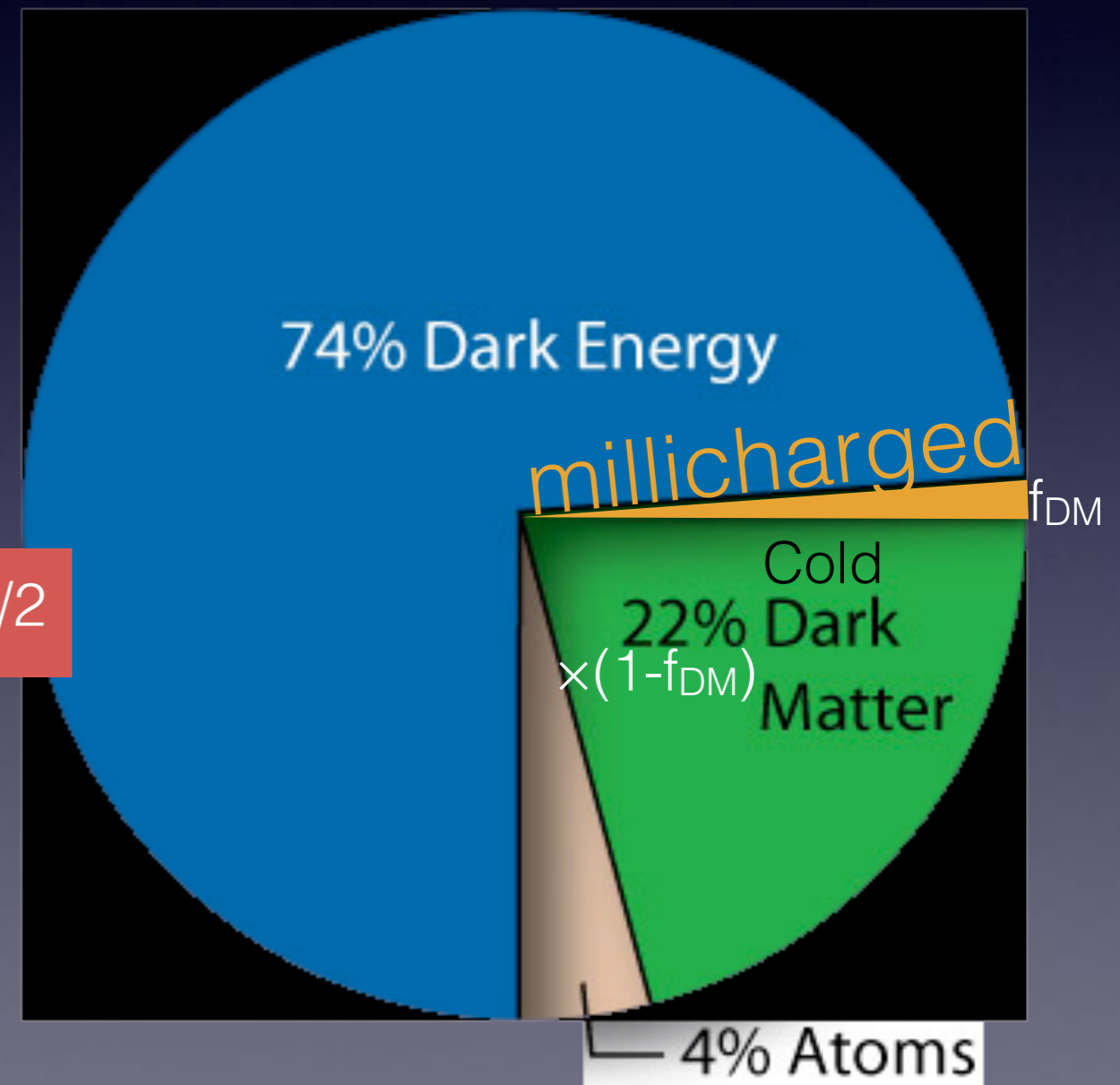
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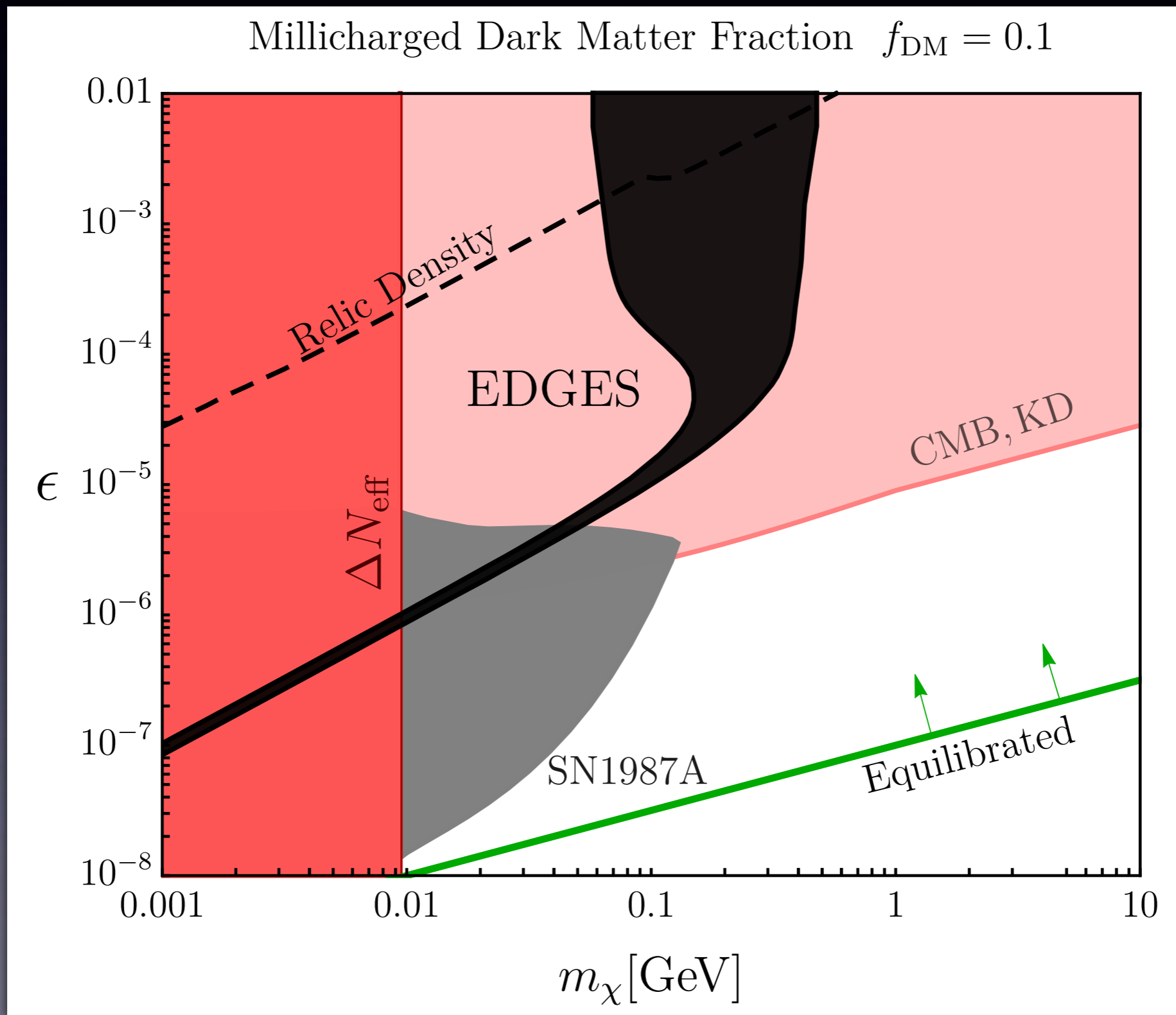
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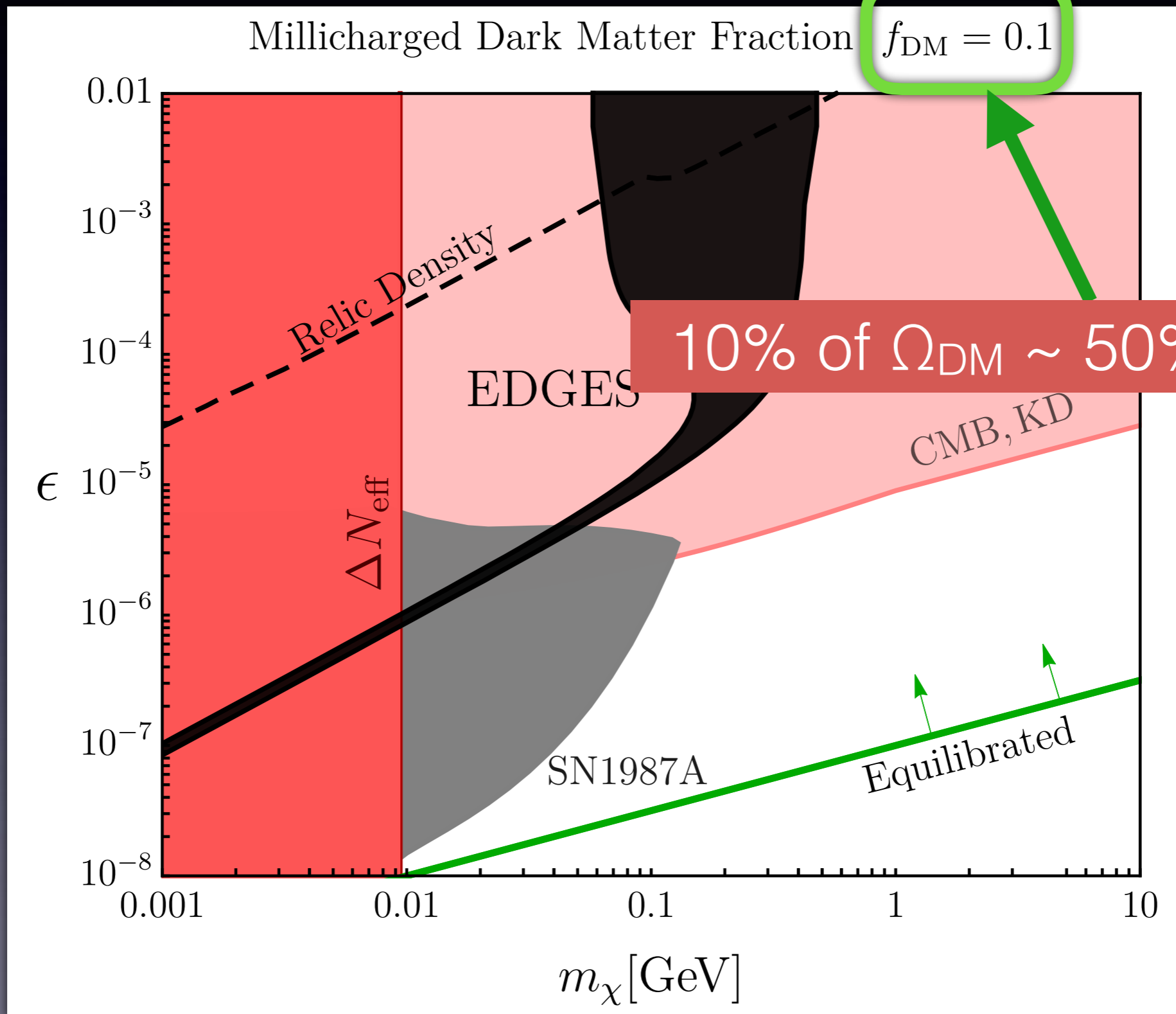
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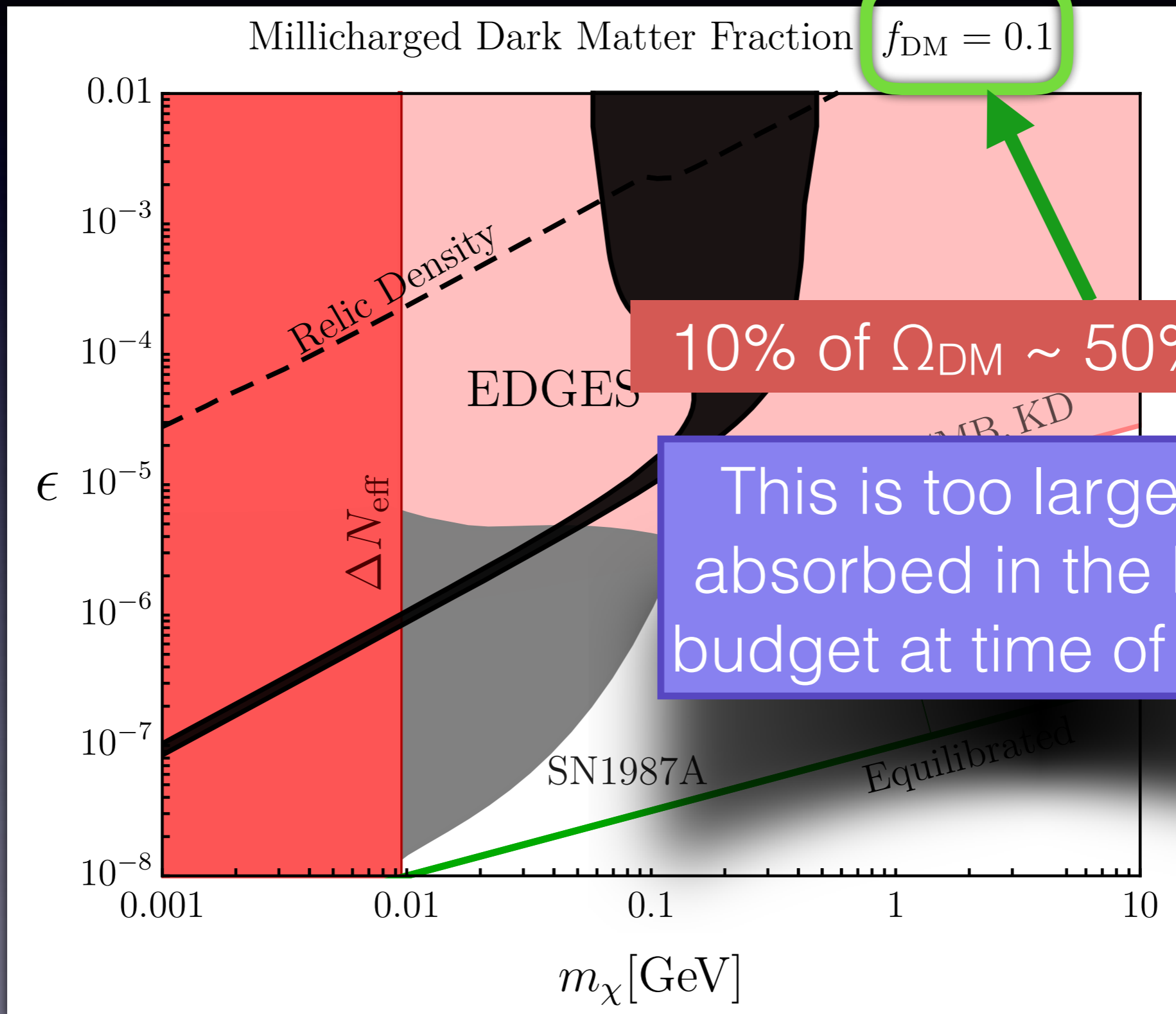
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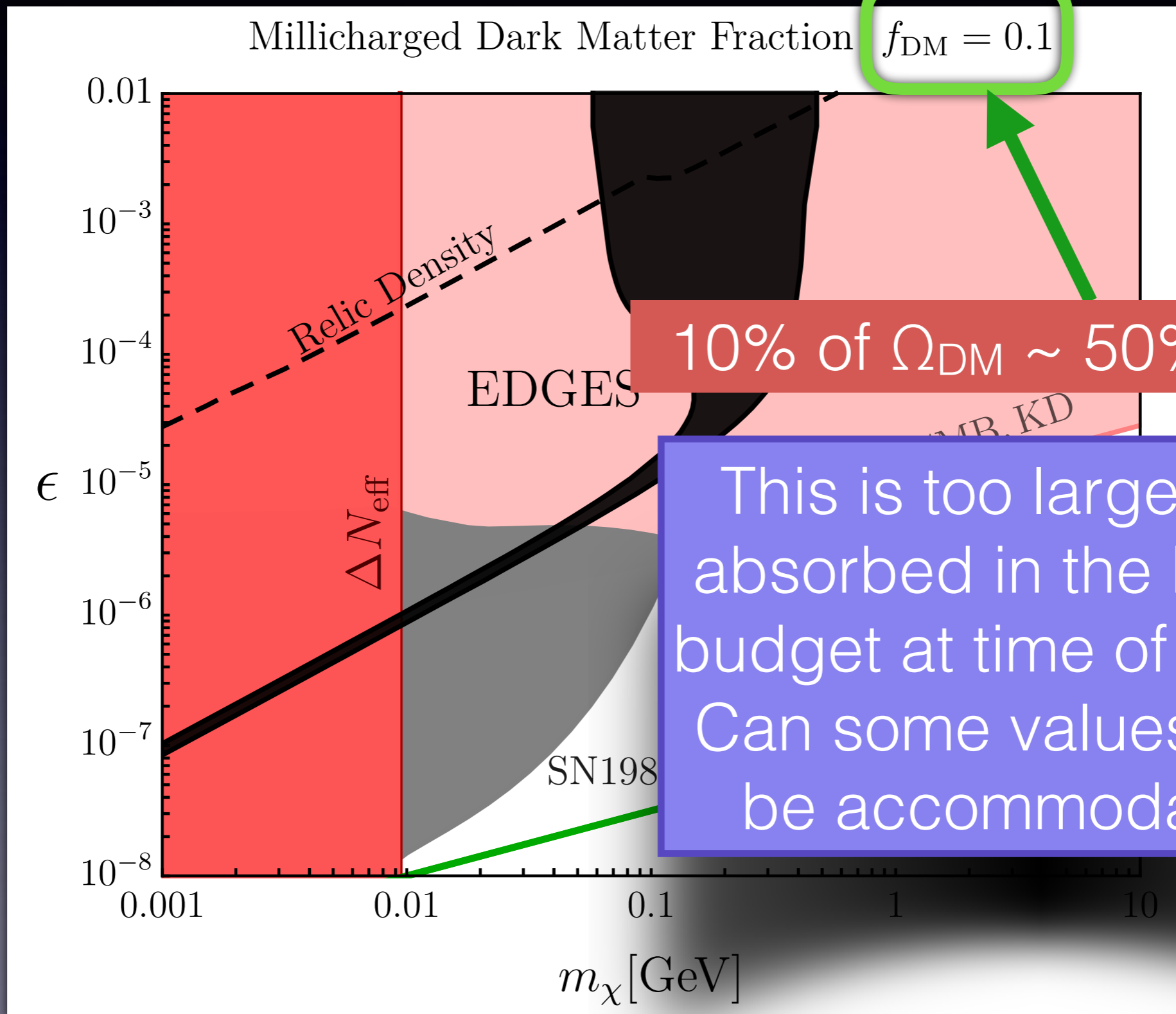
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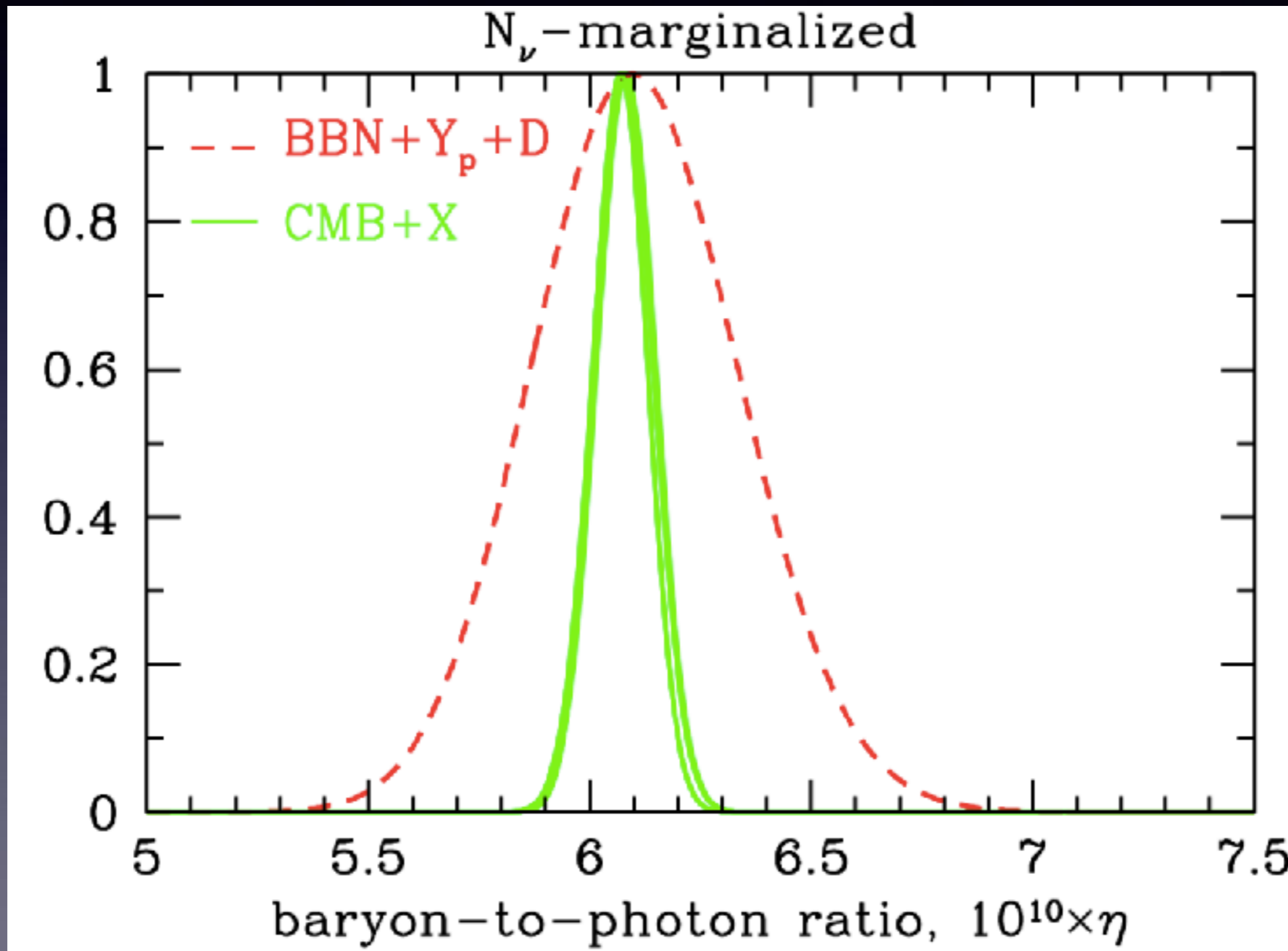


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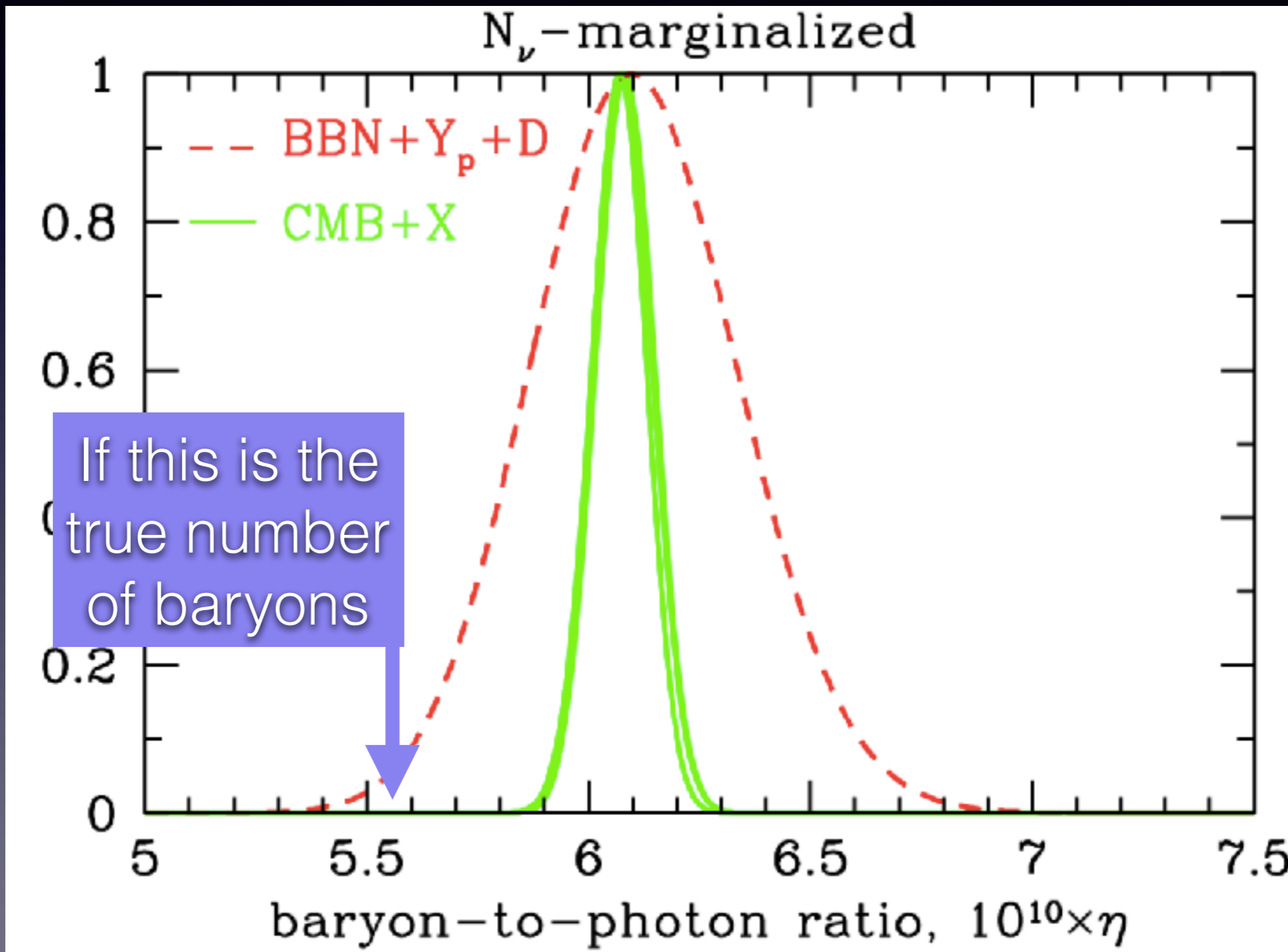
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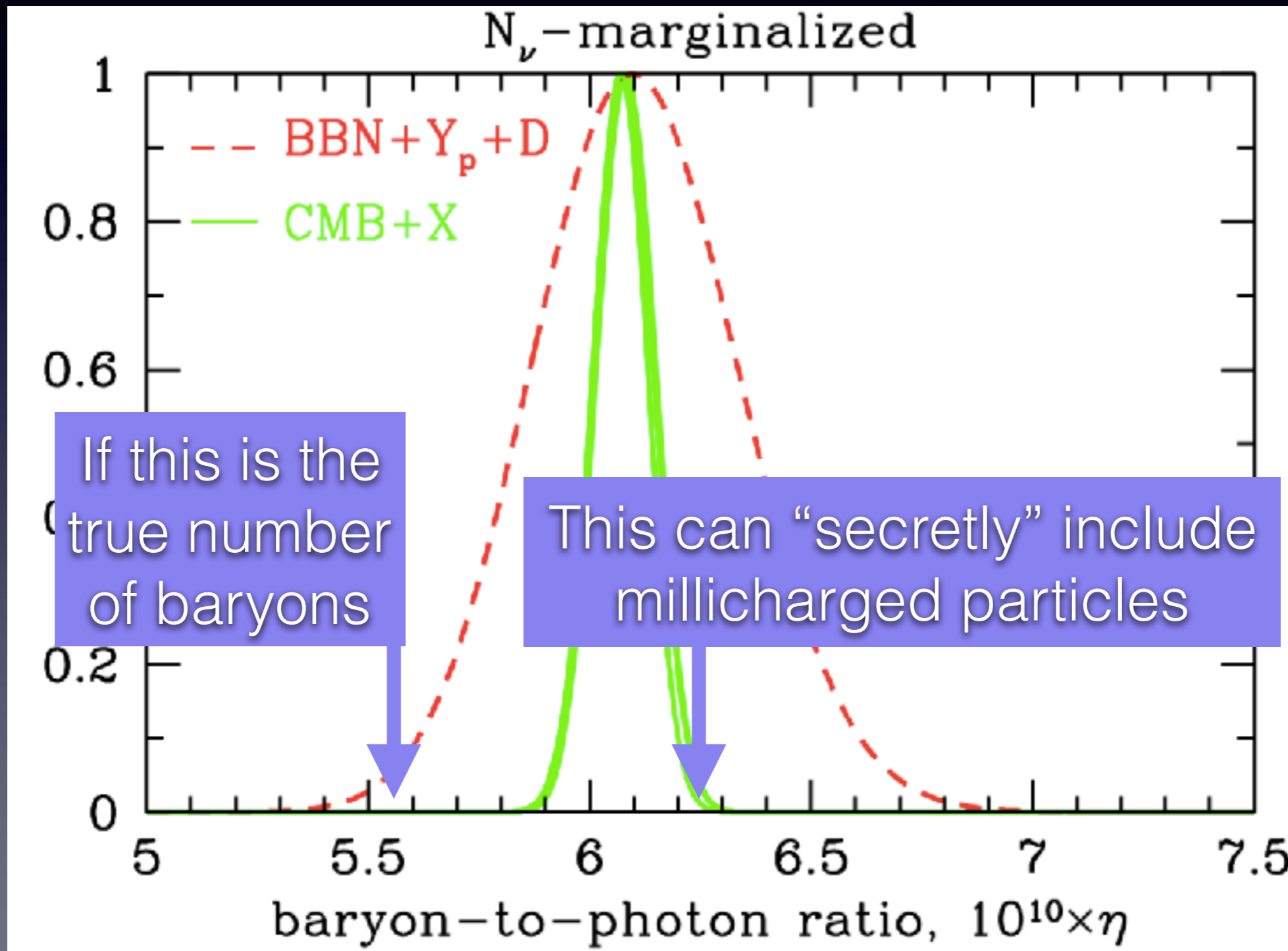
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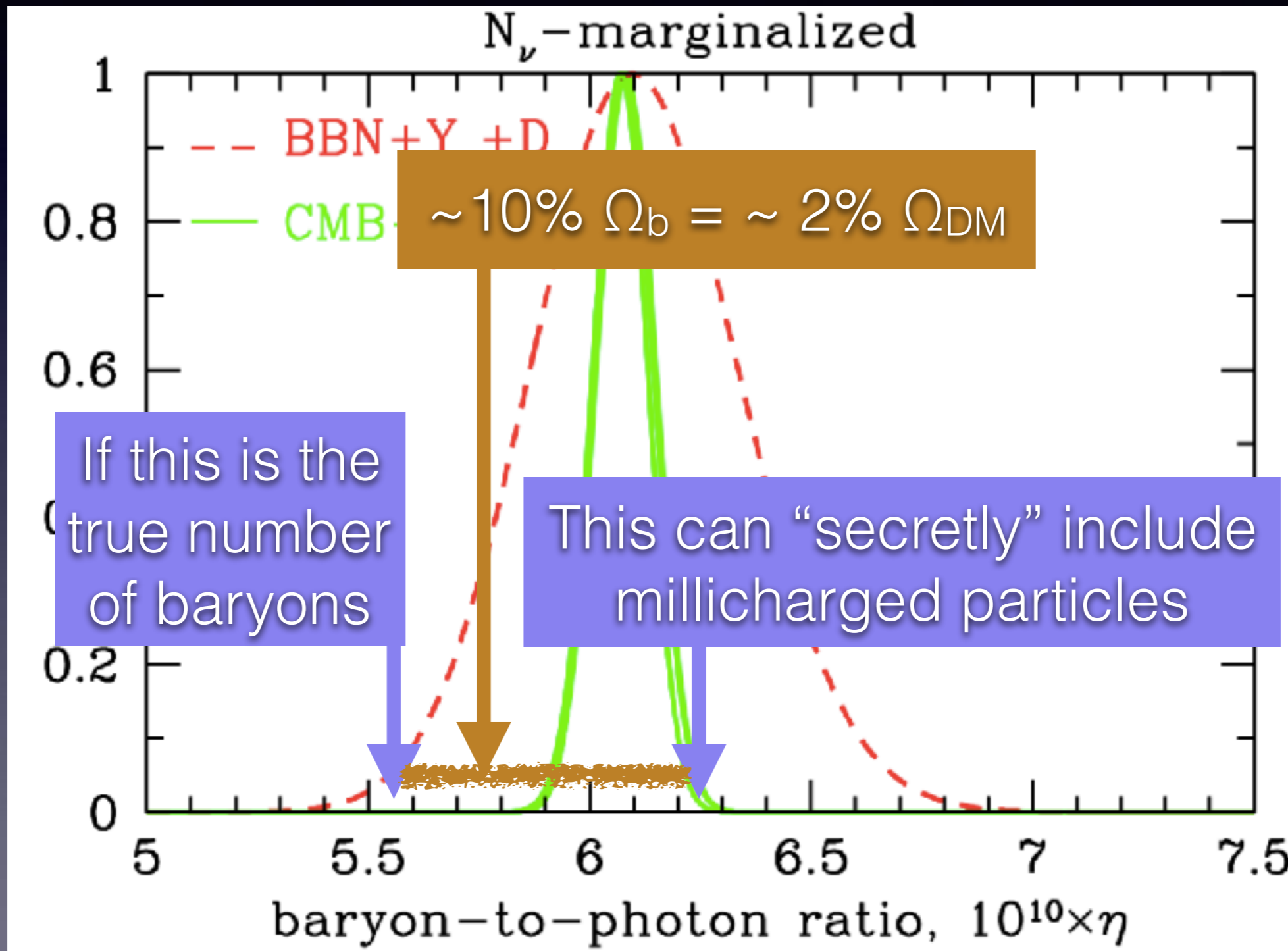
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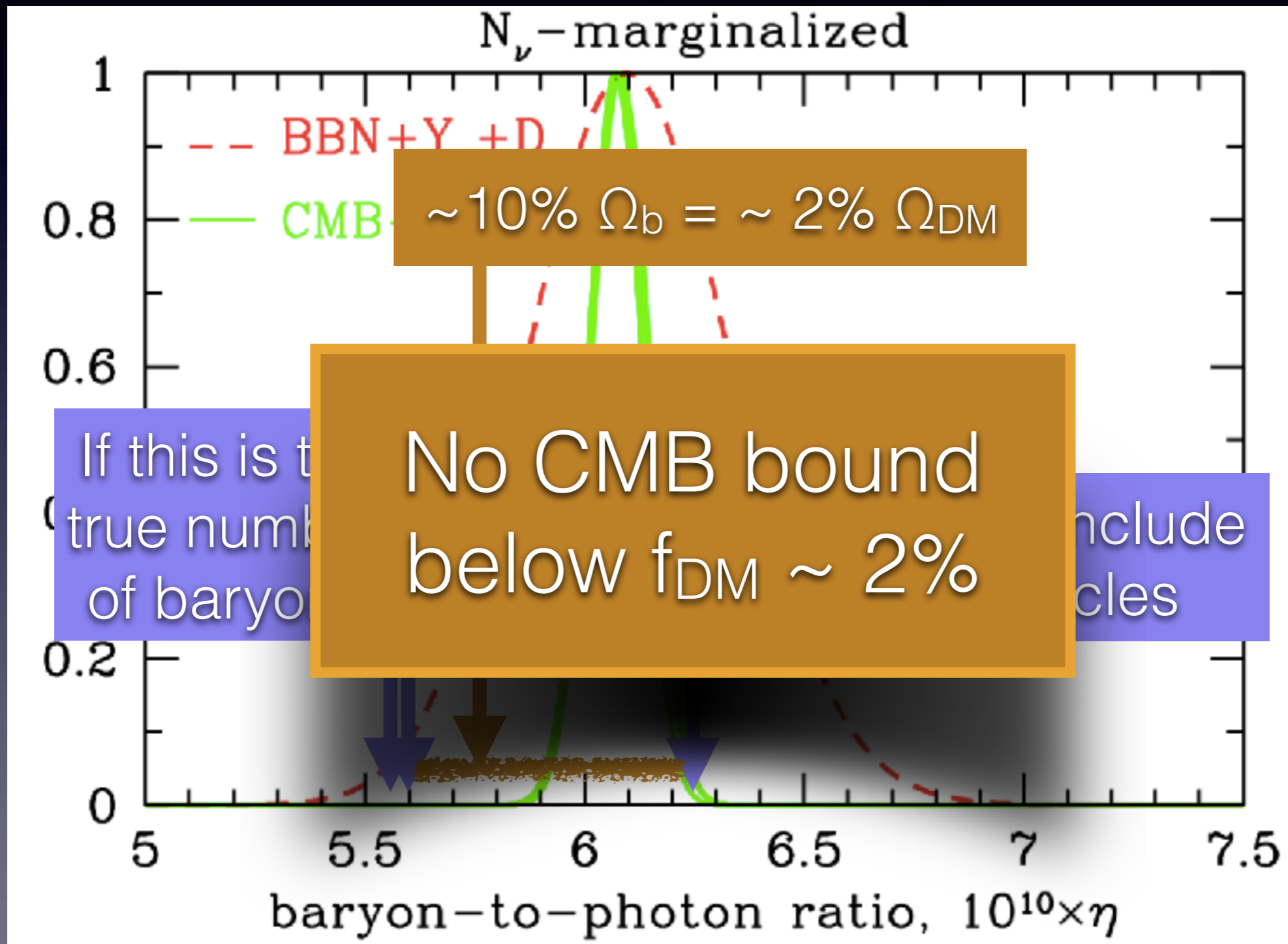
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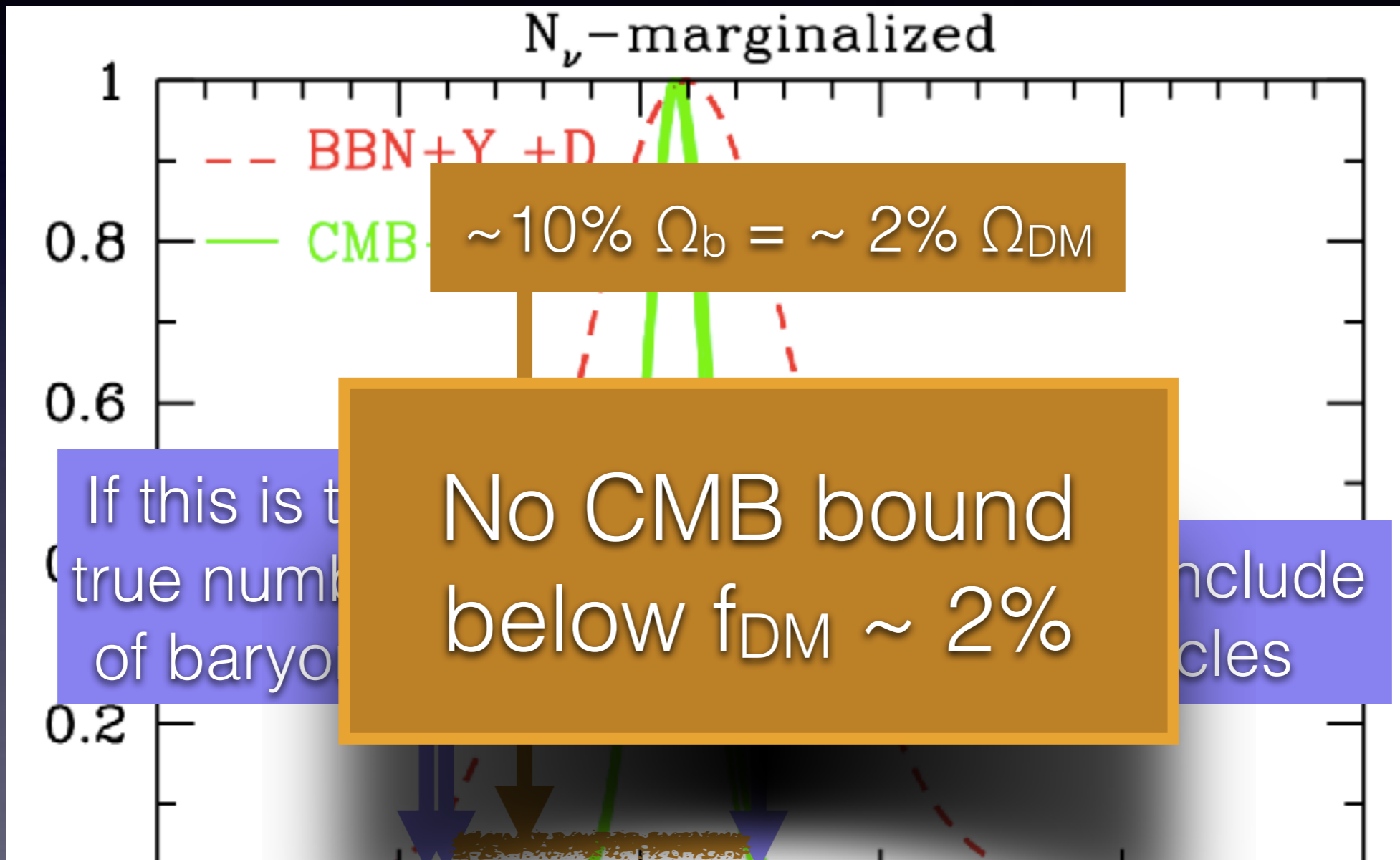
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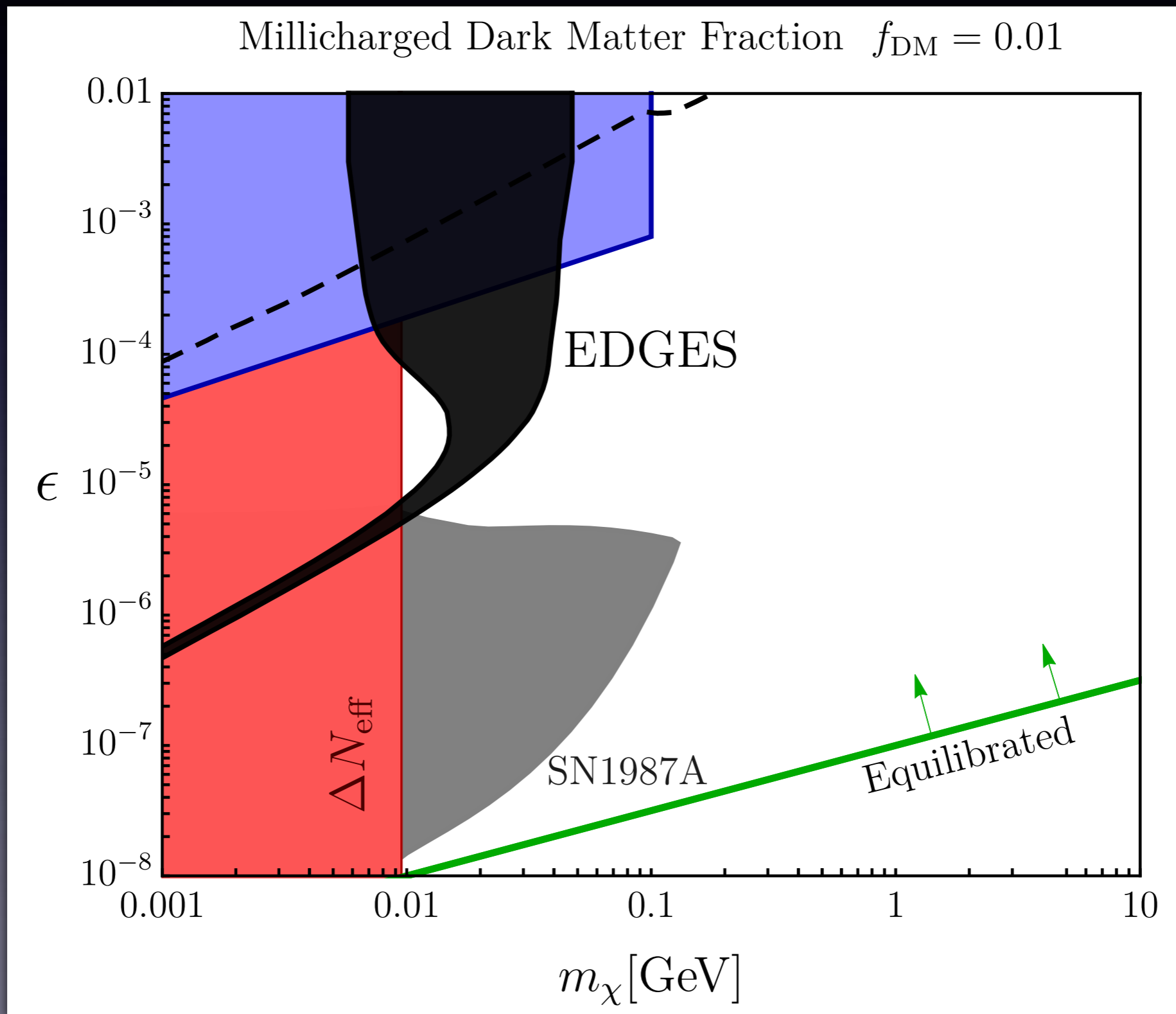
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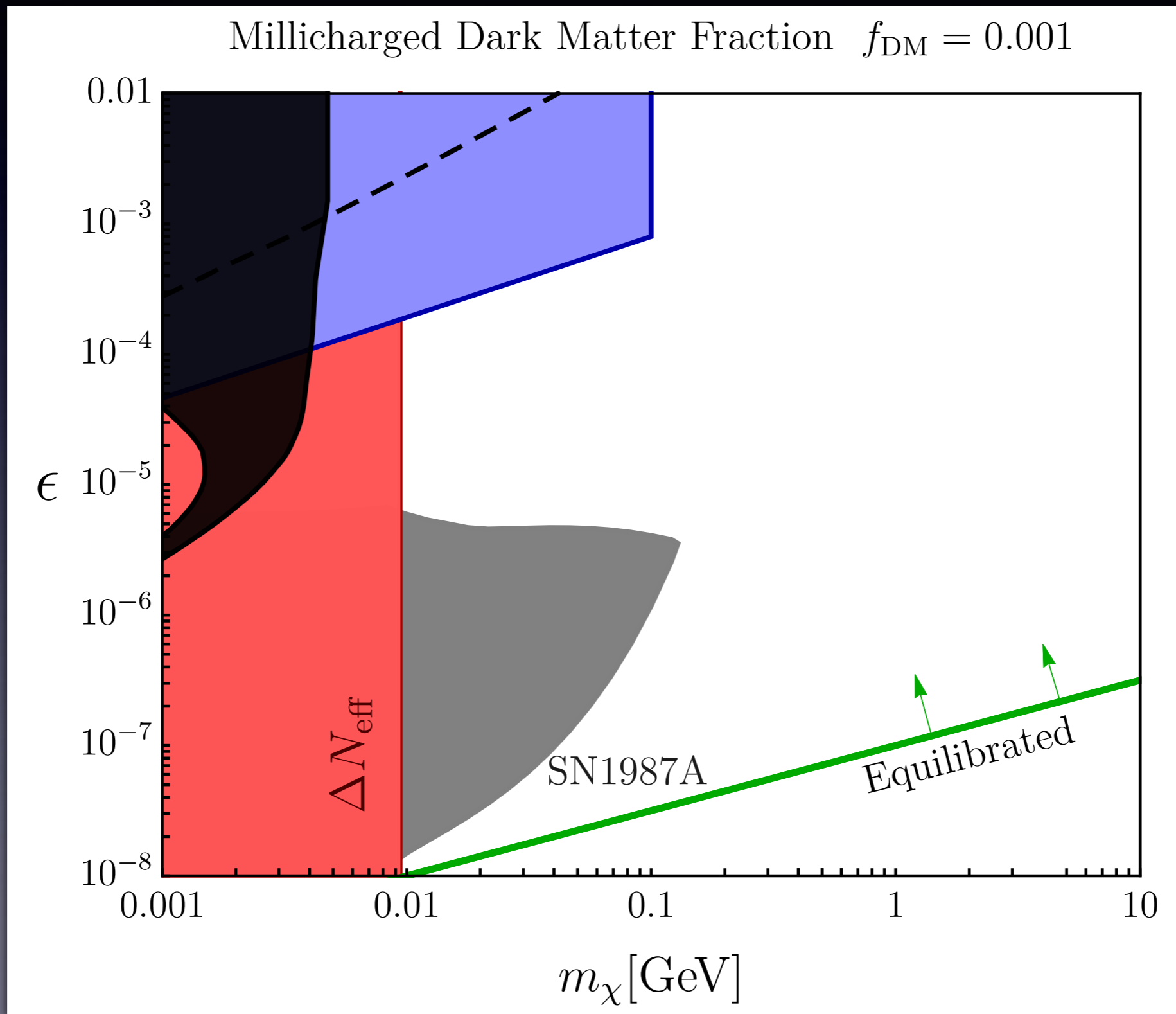


! 1805.11616, de Putter et al.: “we derive a new upper limit on the fraction of tightly coupled dark matter... <0.6% ”

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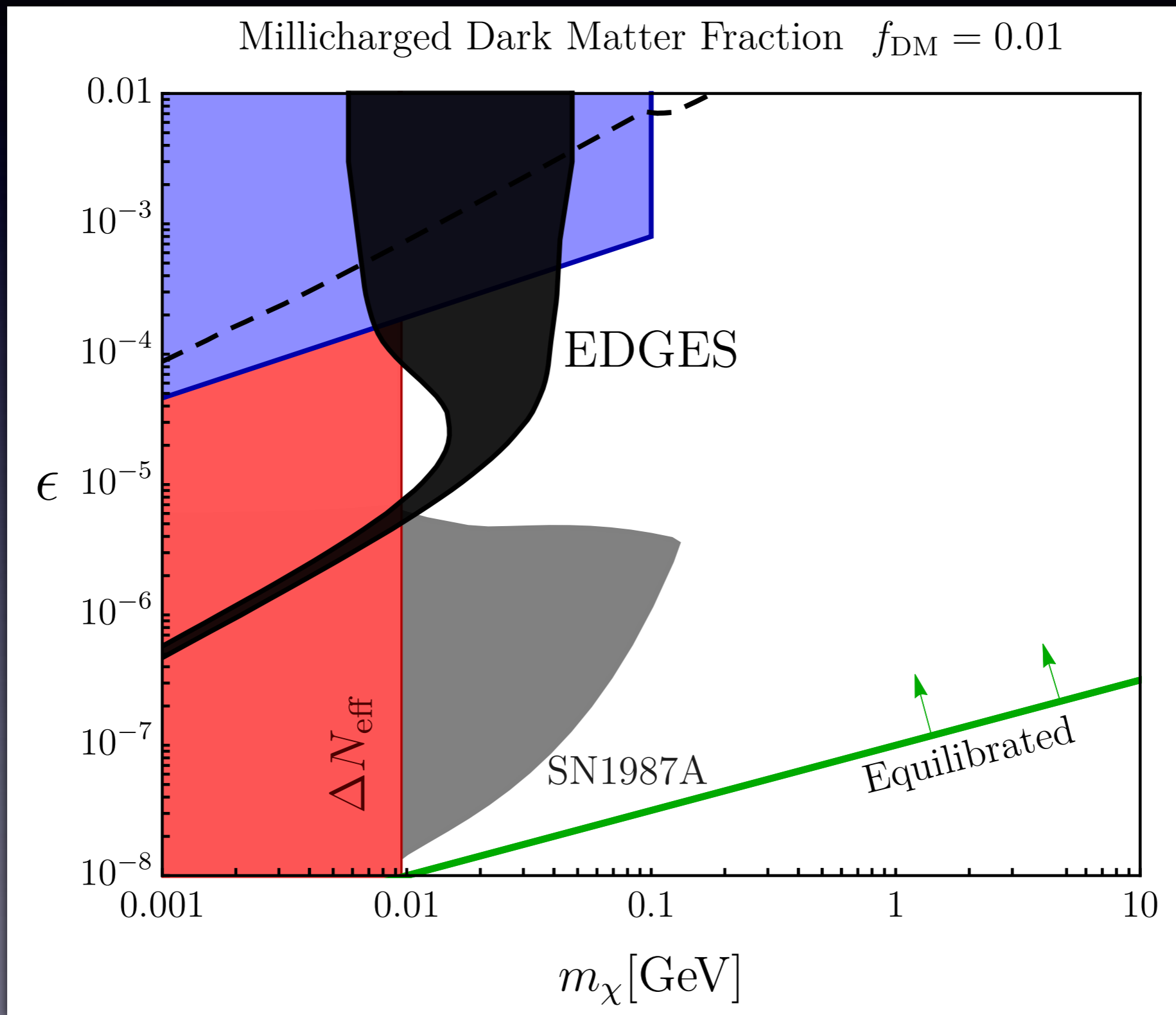
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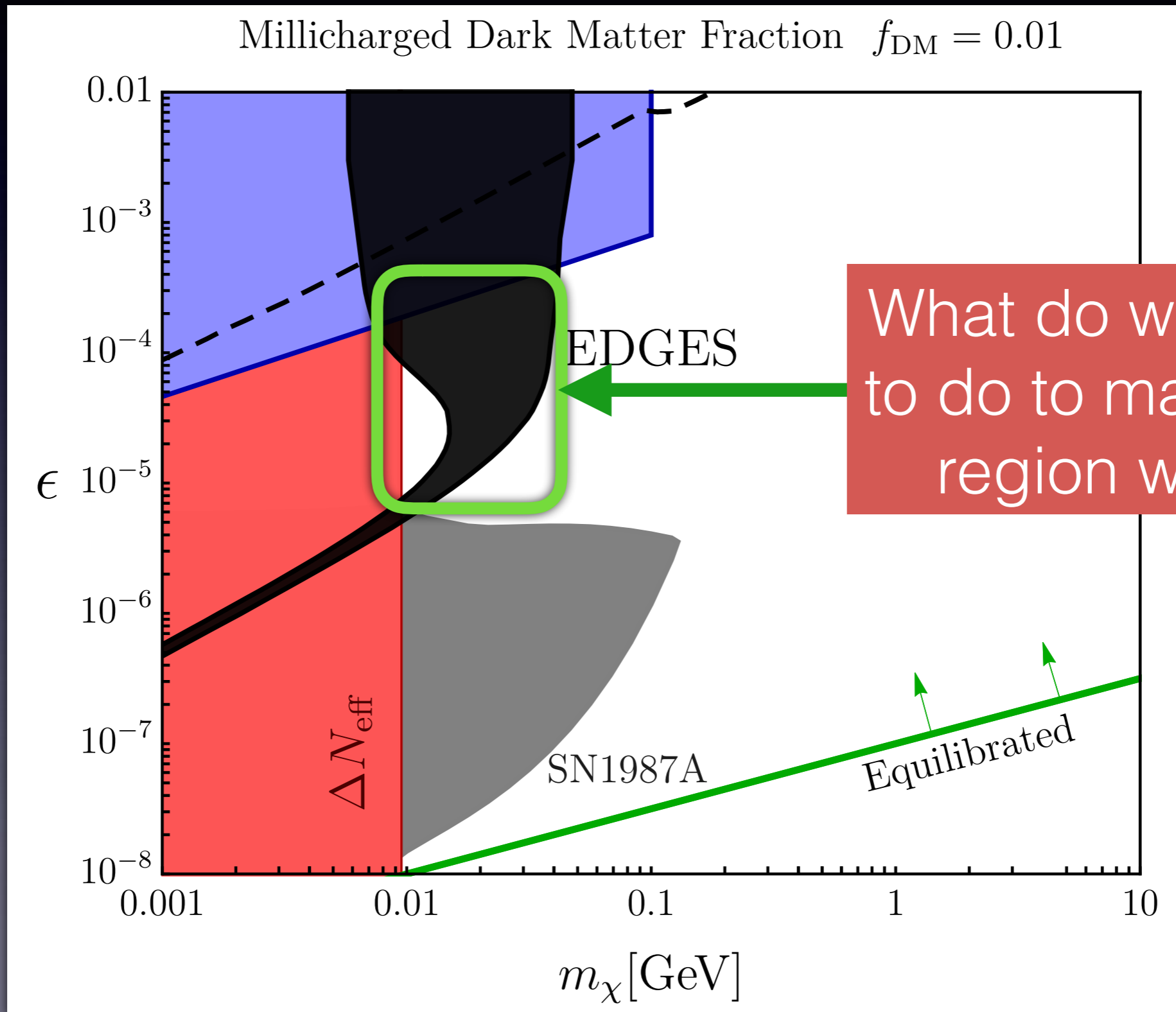
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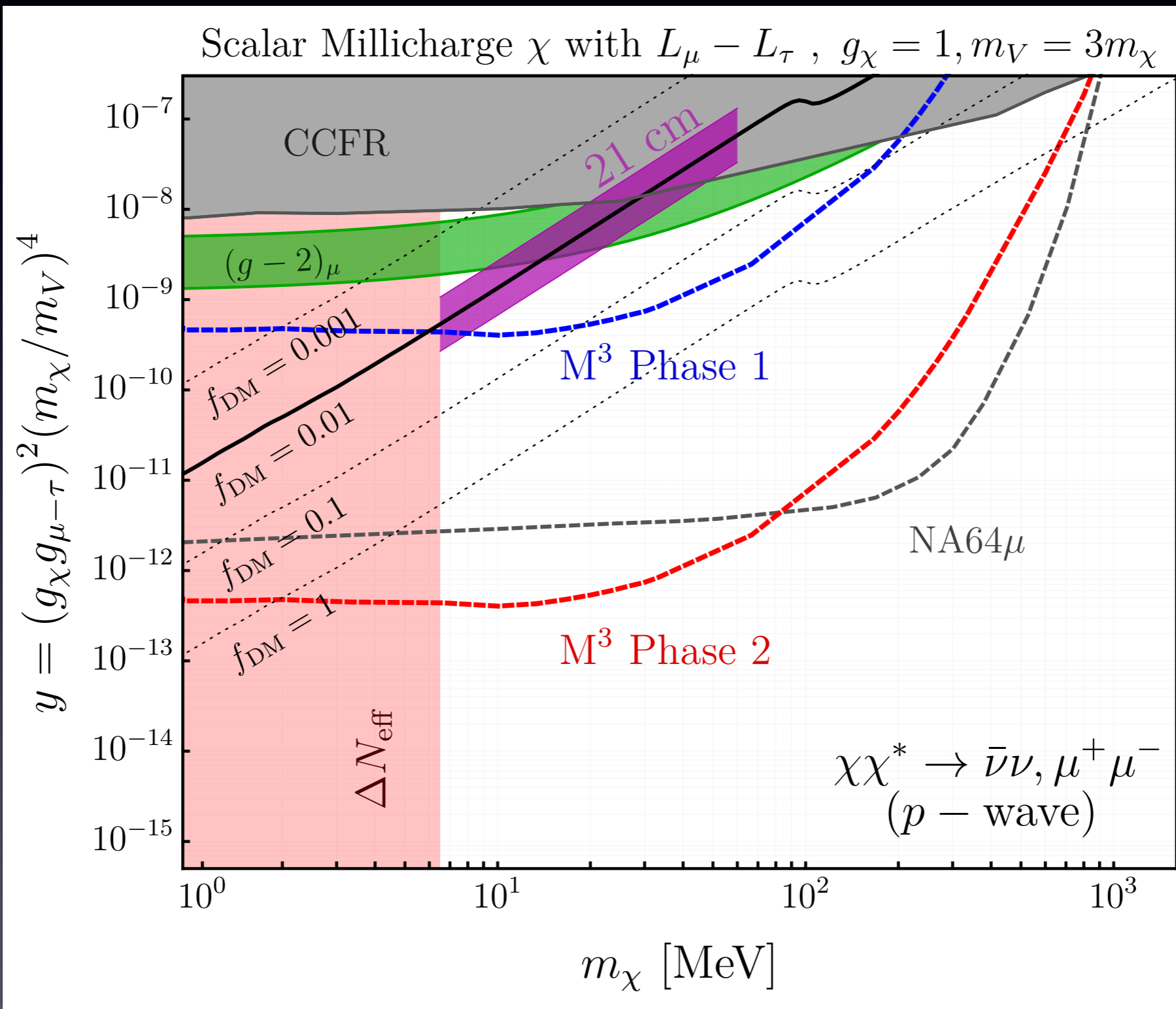
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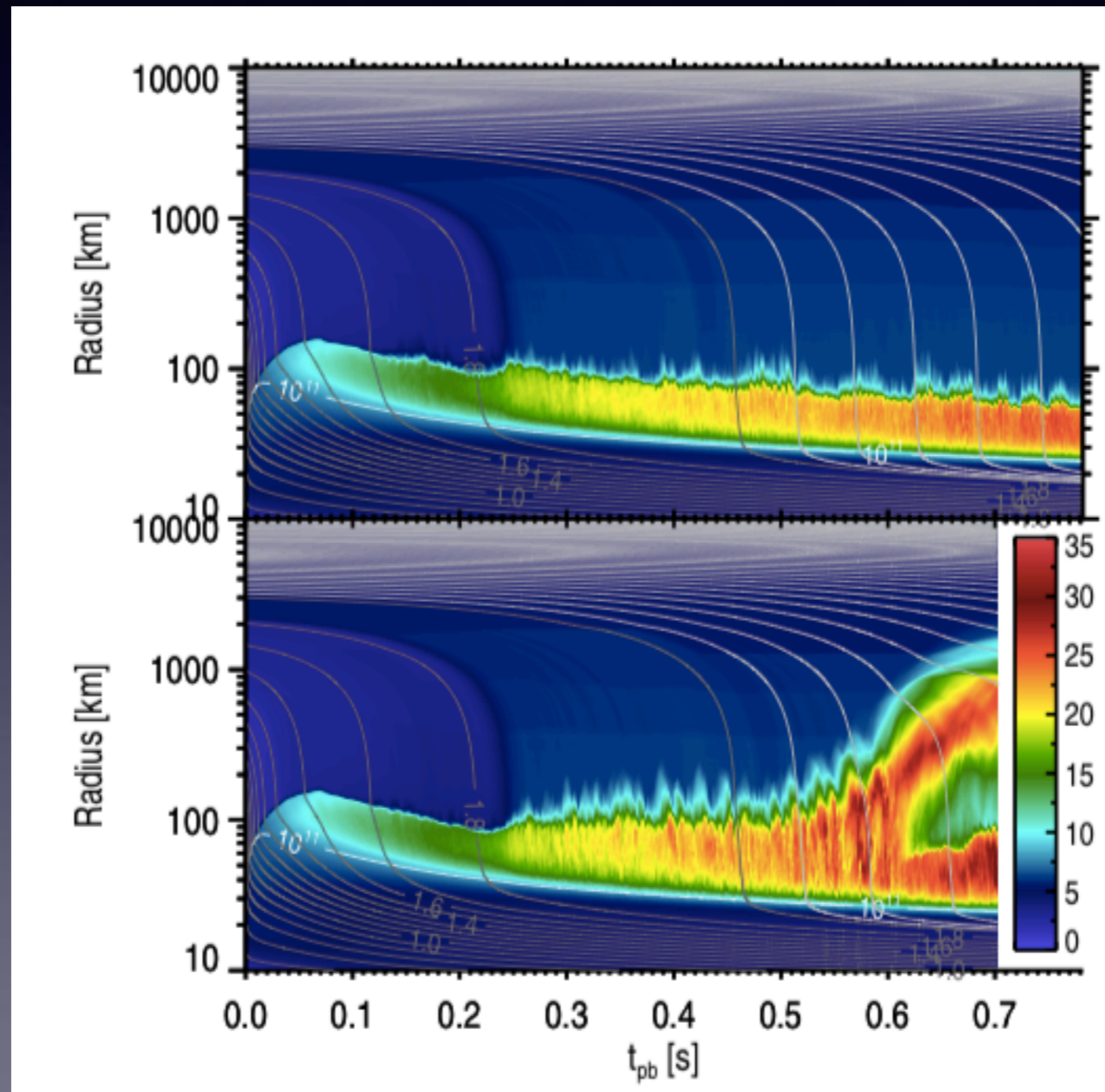
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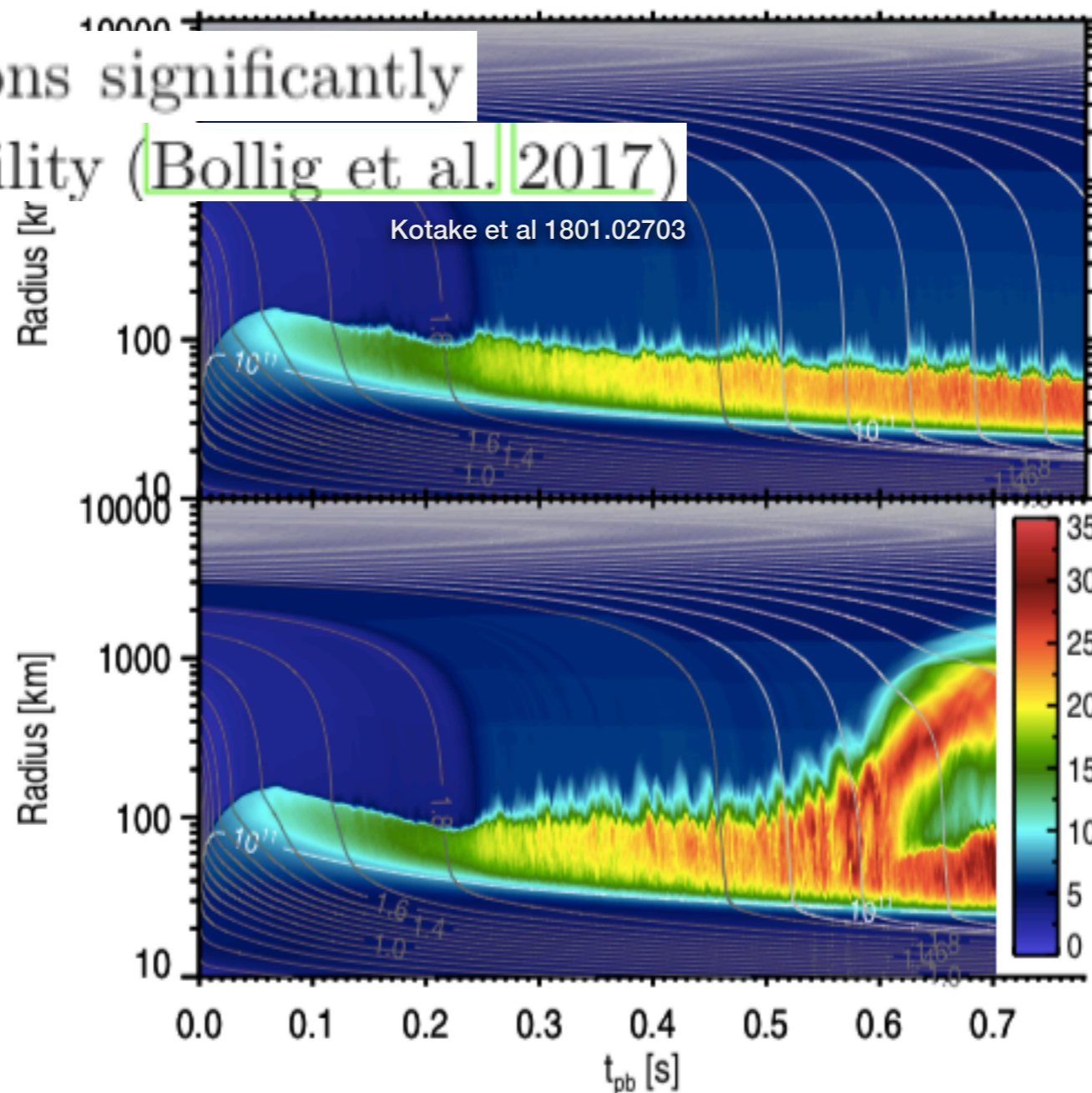


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Bollig et al 1706.04630

Inclusion of muons significantly  
affects explodability (Bollig et al. 2017)



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# Direct Detection

## Reopening the window on charged dark matter

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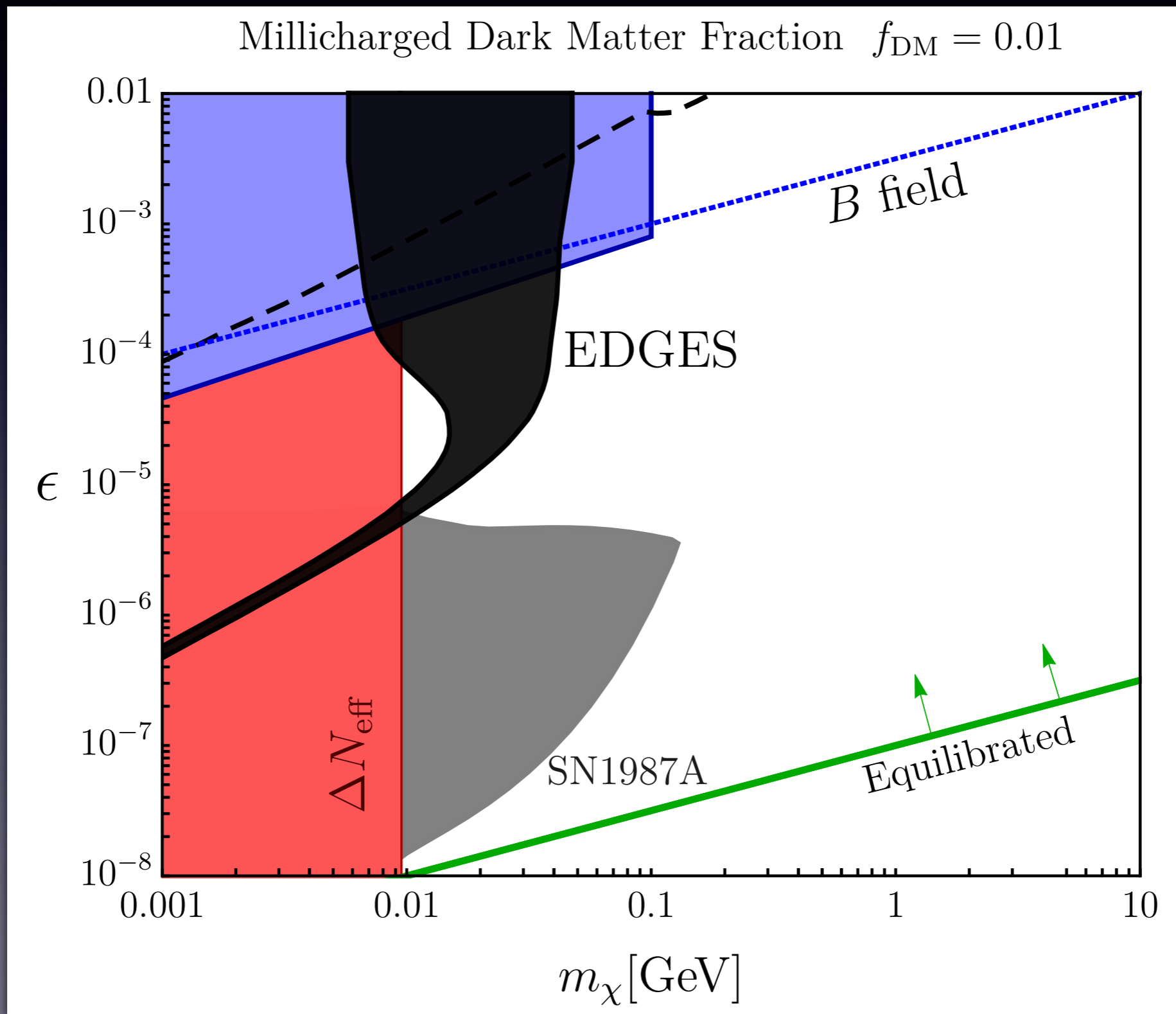
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**ABSTRACT:** We reexamine the limits on charged dark matter particles. We show that if their mass and charge fall in the range  $100(q_X/e)^2 \lesssim m_X \lesssim 10^8(q_X/e)$  TeV, then magnetic fields prevent particles in the halo from entering the galactic disk, while those initially trapped inside are accelerated through the Fermi mechanism and ejected within about 0.1 – 1 Gyrs. Consequently, previous constraints on charged dark matter based on terrestrial non-observation are invalid within that range. ...

# EDGES Constraints



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- Do more appear? What is their phase space?  
What do they look like at DD experiments?
  - Boosted DM (Agashe et al., 1405.7370)
  - Marques-Tavares et al., in prep

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Different rates, different moments of the Boltzmann equation:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma &\simeq n\langle\sigma v\rangle, \\ \langle\delta|\dot{\vec{p}}|\rangle &\simeq \mu n\langle\sigma v^2\rangle, \\ m\langle\delta\dot{T}\rangle &\simeq \mu^2 n\langle\sigma v^3\rangle\end{aligned}$$

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Dubovsky et al., hep-ph/0311189 & 1310.2376  
McDermott, Yu, & Zurek 1011.2907

Changing  $T$  (2nd moment of Boltzmann eq):

$$\frac{\langle \frac{d}{dt} \delta T \rangle}{T} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{\rho_X \sigma_0 \mu_{Xp}^2}{3m_X m_b v_{\text{rel}}} \cdot \frac{1}{T_b}$$
$$\simeq \frac{4}{3\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{\rho_X \sigma_0 \mu_{Xp}}{m_X + m_p} \left( \frac{m_p}{T_p^3} \right)^{1/2}$$

Changing  $p$  (1st moment of Boltzmann eq):

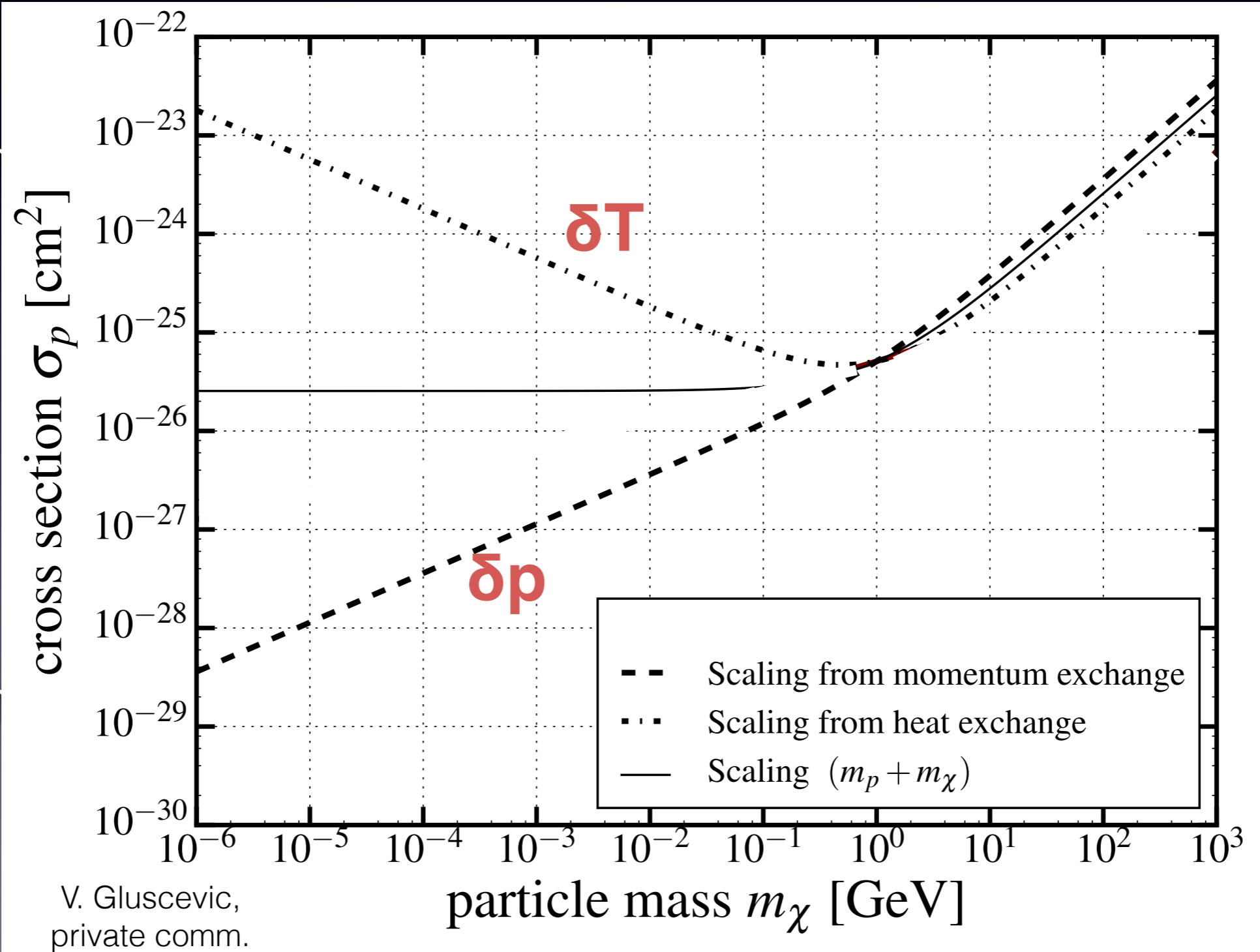
$$\frac{\langle \frac{d}{dt} |\delta \vec{p}| \rangle}{\langle |\vec{p}| \rangle} = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{\rho_X \sigma_0}{m_X + m_p} \left( \frac{m_p}{T_p} \right)^{3/2}$$

Dvorkin, Blum, Kamionkowski 1311.2937  
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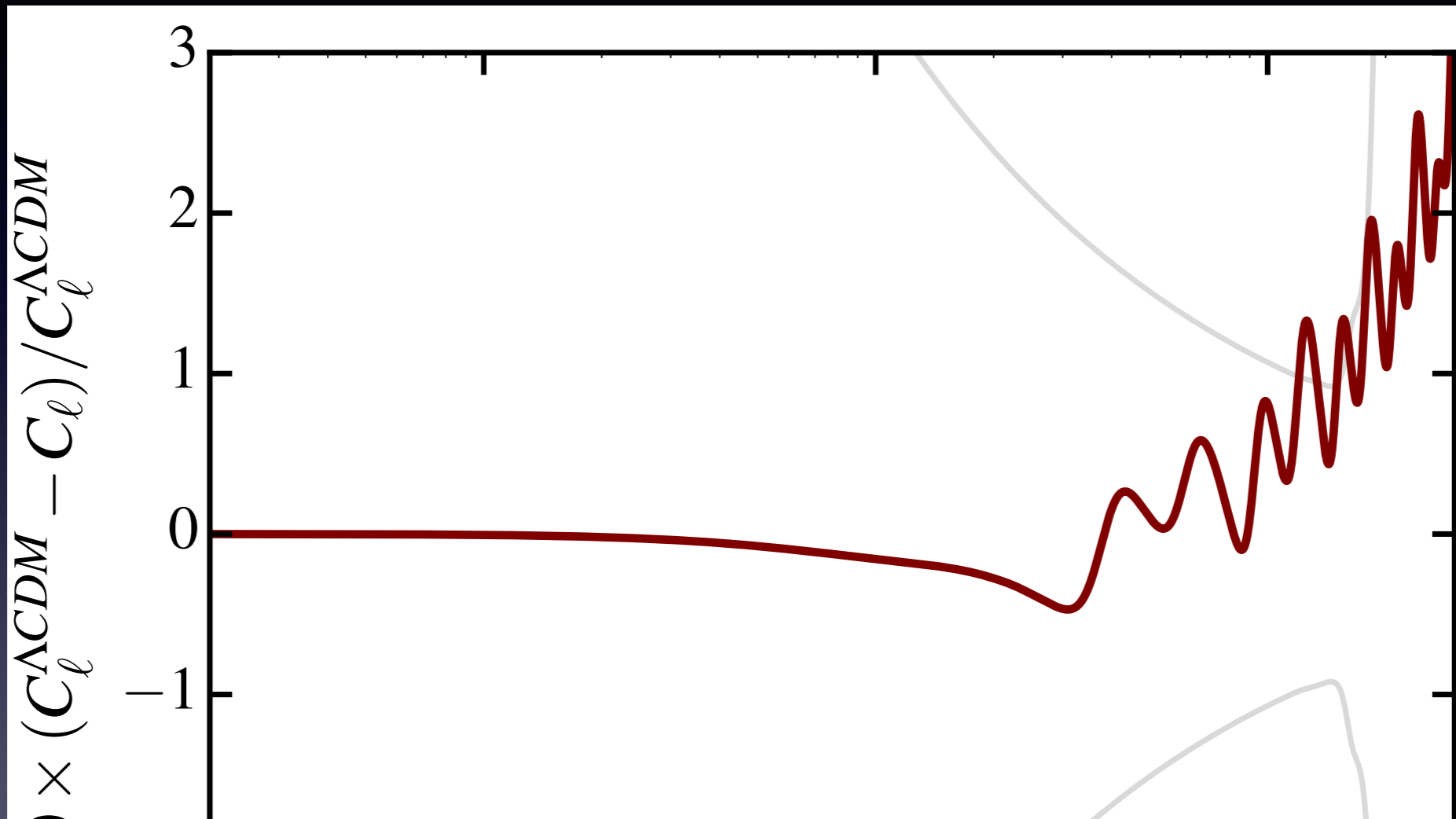
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# CMB



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Millicharged particles don't look *exactly* like SM fermions — increased precision at high multipoles may be able to distinguish real baryons from DM in the damping tail

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