

# Dark Matter, Particle Physics and the LHC

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# Contents today

photons

$$\Omega_{\gamma} = 0.005 \%$$

baryons

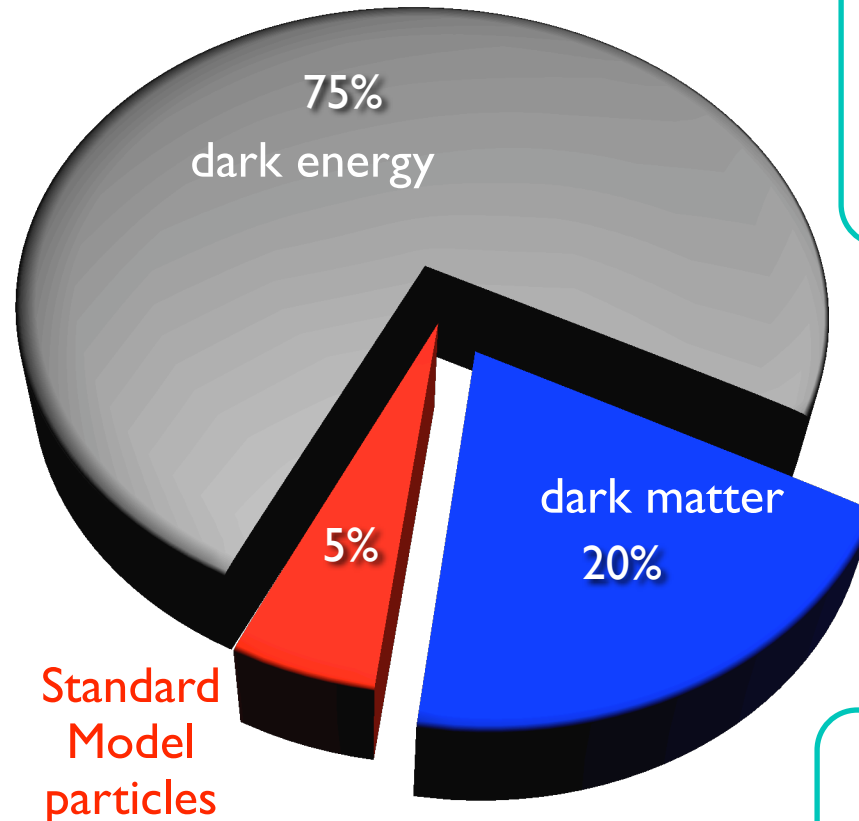
$$\Omega_{\text{B}} = 4 \%$$

? baryon asymmetry ?

neutrinos

$$0.1 \% \leq \Omega_{\nu} \leq 1.5 \%$$

? neutrino mass ?



dark energy

$$\Omega_{\text{DE}} = 75 \%$$

? vacuum energy ?

Evidence for DE



Talks by Reynald Pain,  
Dominik Schwarz

dark matter

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} = 20 \%$$

? identity ?

Evidence for DM

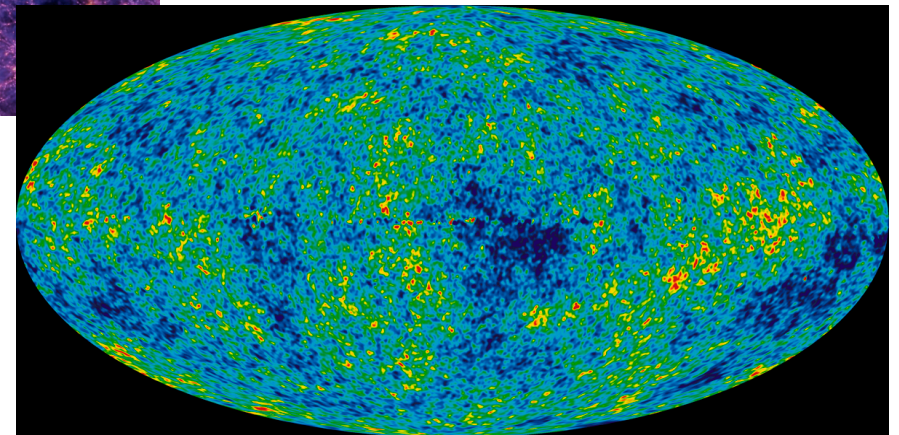
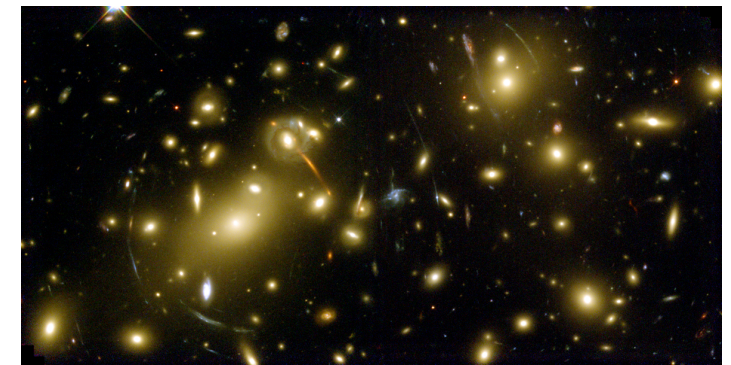
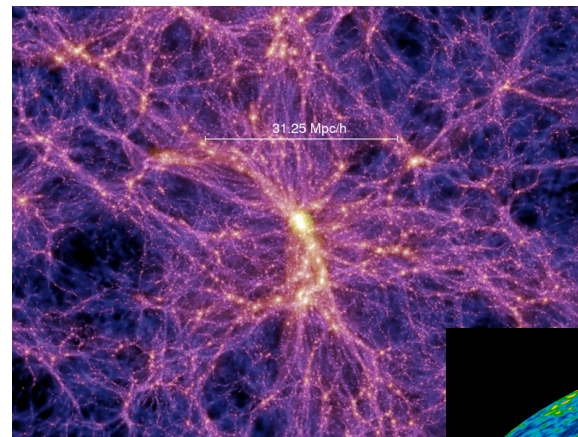
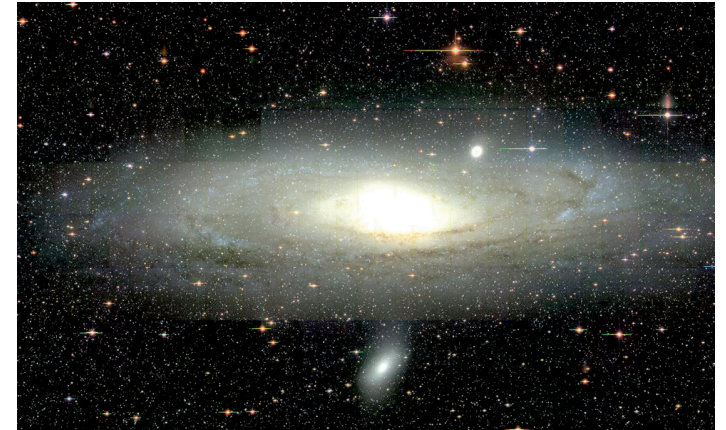


Talks by Josef Jochum,  
Christian Weinheimer

**What is  
the (particle ?)  
identity  
of dark matter???**

# Properties of Dark Matter

- stable or lifetime well above the age of our Universe
- electrically neutral
- clusters →
- “cold”
- dissipationless
- color neutral



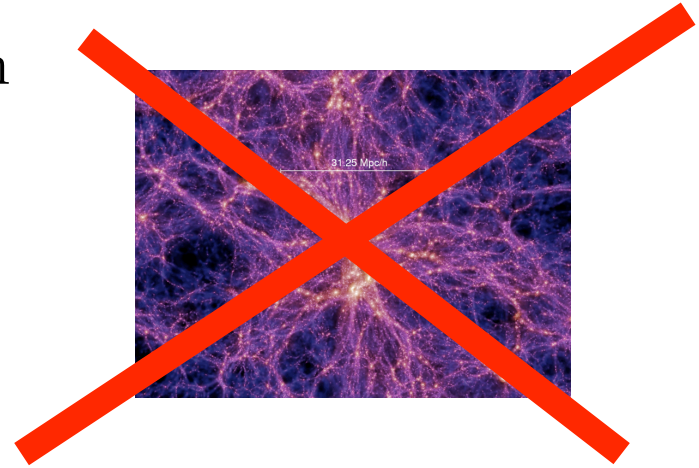


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# Properties of Neutrino Dark Matter

- stable  $\rightarrow \tau_{\text{DM}} \gtrsim$  age of our Universe
- clusters  $\leftarrow$  gravitation
- fast – “hot”
- electrically neutral
- color neutral



$$\sum_i m_{\nu_i} \lesssim \mathcal{O}(1 \text{ eV})$$

Neutrino Dark Matter = Hot Dark Matter  
in conflict with Large Scale Structure

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# Dark Matter



# Physics beyond the Standard Model

# Supersymmetry

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| gluon, gluino  | $A_\mu^{(3) a} = G_\mu^a$   | $\lambda^{(3) a} = \tilde{g}^a$  | $(\mathbf{8}, \mathbf{1})_0$                    |
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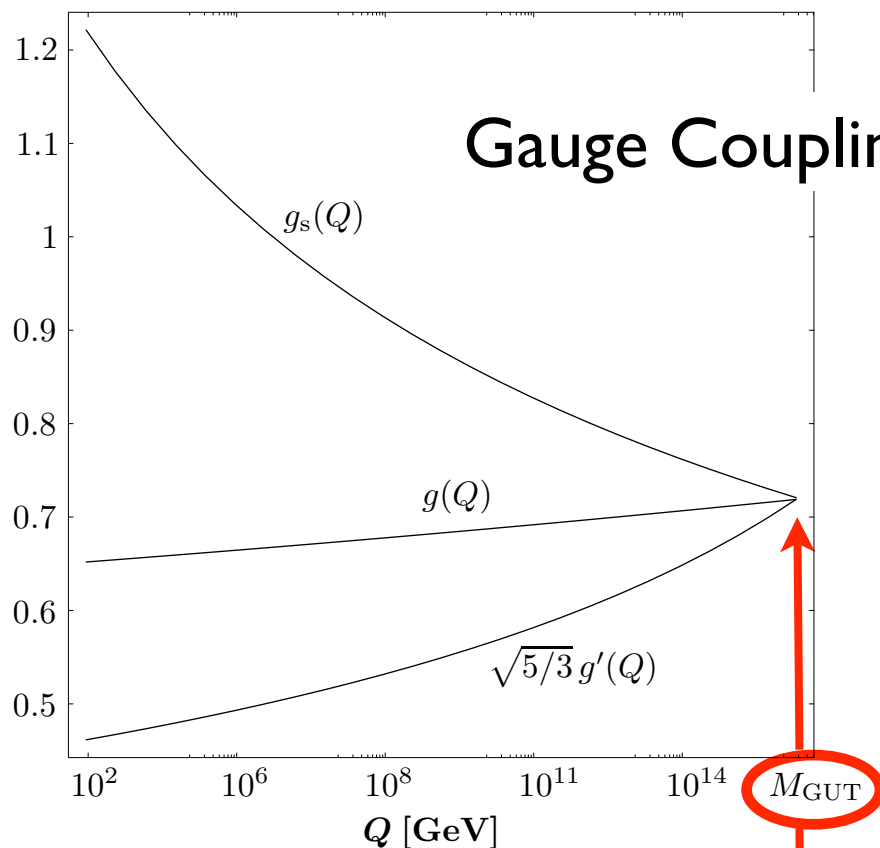


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# Why Supersymmetry?

Extension of Space-Time Symmetry



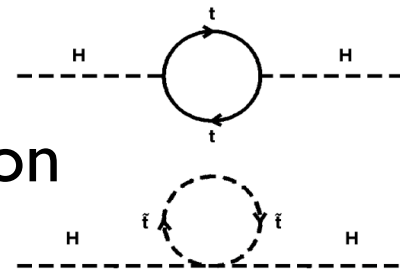
Gauge Coupling Unification

Hierarchy Stabilization

(Super-) Gravity

Consistent String Theory

Dark Matter



Gauge Coupling Unification at  $M_{GUT} \simeq 2 \times 10^{16}$  GeV

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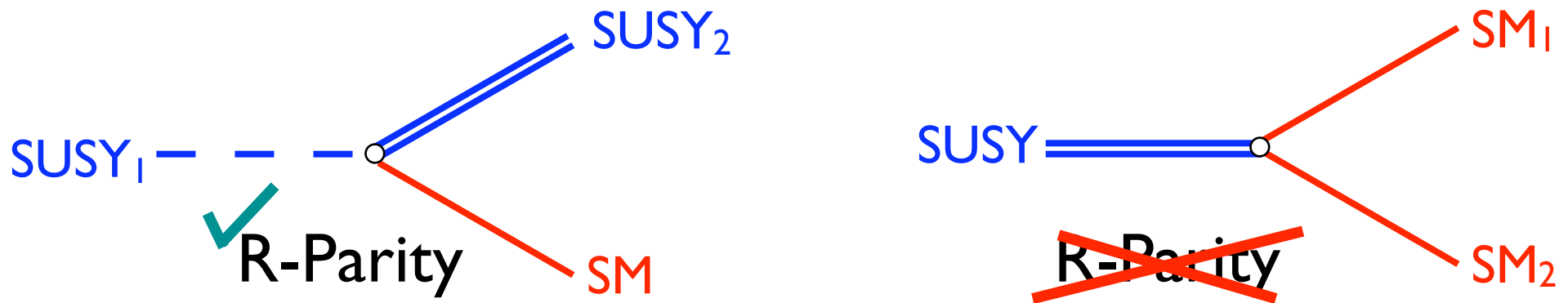


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# Conservation of R-Parity

- superpotential:  $W_{\text{MSSM}} \leftarrow W_{\Delta L} + W_{\Delta B}$
- non-observation of  $L$  &  $B$  violating processes (proton stability, ...)
- postulate conservation of R-Parity  $\leftarrow$  multiplicative quantum number

$$P_R = (-1)^{3(B-L)+2S} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{for SM, } H_u, H_d \\ -1 & \text{for } \tilde{X} \leftarrow \text{superpartners} \end{cases}$$



The lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP) is stable!!!

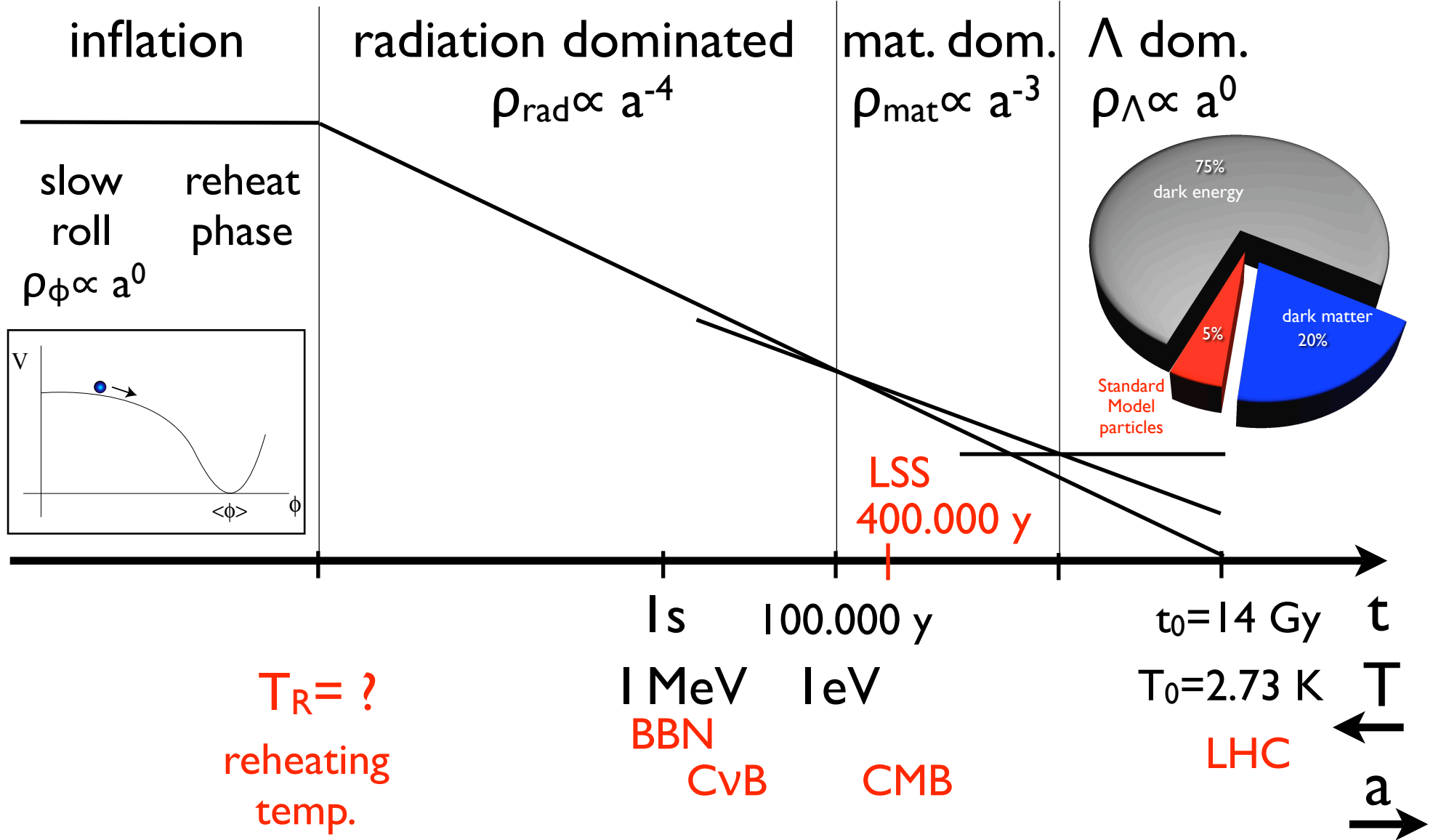
# Supersymmetric Dark Matter Candidates

|                               | LSP                | ID  | spin          | mass  | interaction     |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|---|---------------|---|-----------------|
| lightest neutralino<br>∈ MSSM | $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ | $\tilde{B}, \tilde{W}, \tilde{H}_u^0, \tilde{H}_d^0$<br>mixture | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\mathcal{O}(100 \text{ GeV})$<br>$M_1, M_2, \mu, \tan \beta$ | $g, g'$<br>weak |

**Weakly  
Interacting  
Massive  
Particle**

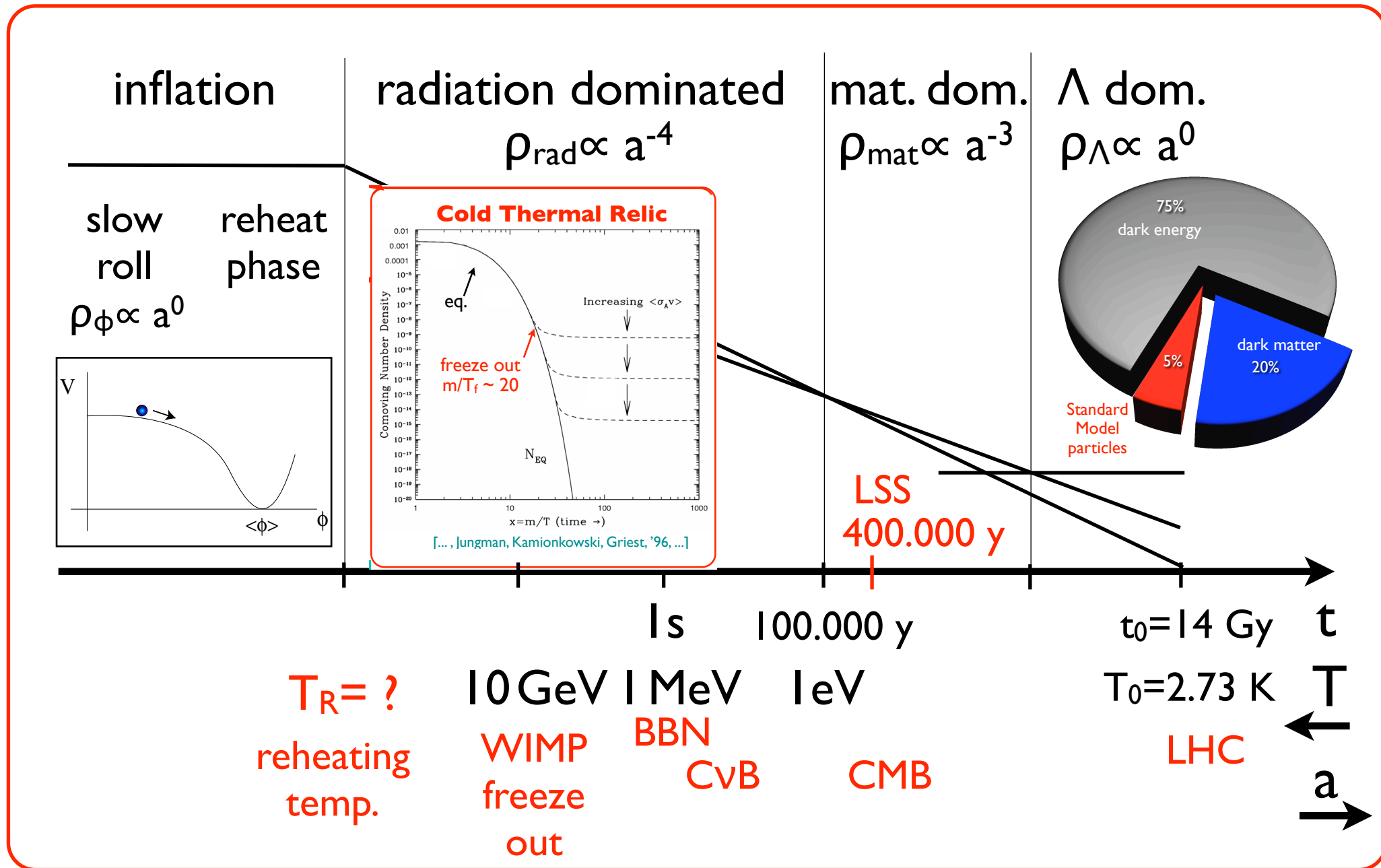
["Heavy Neutrino"]

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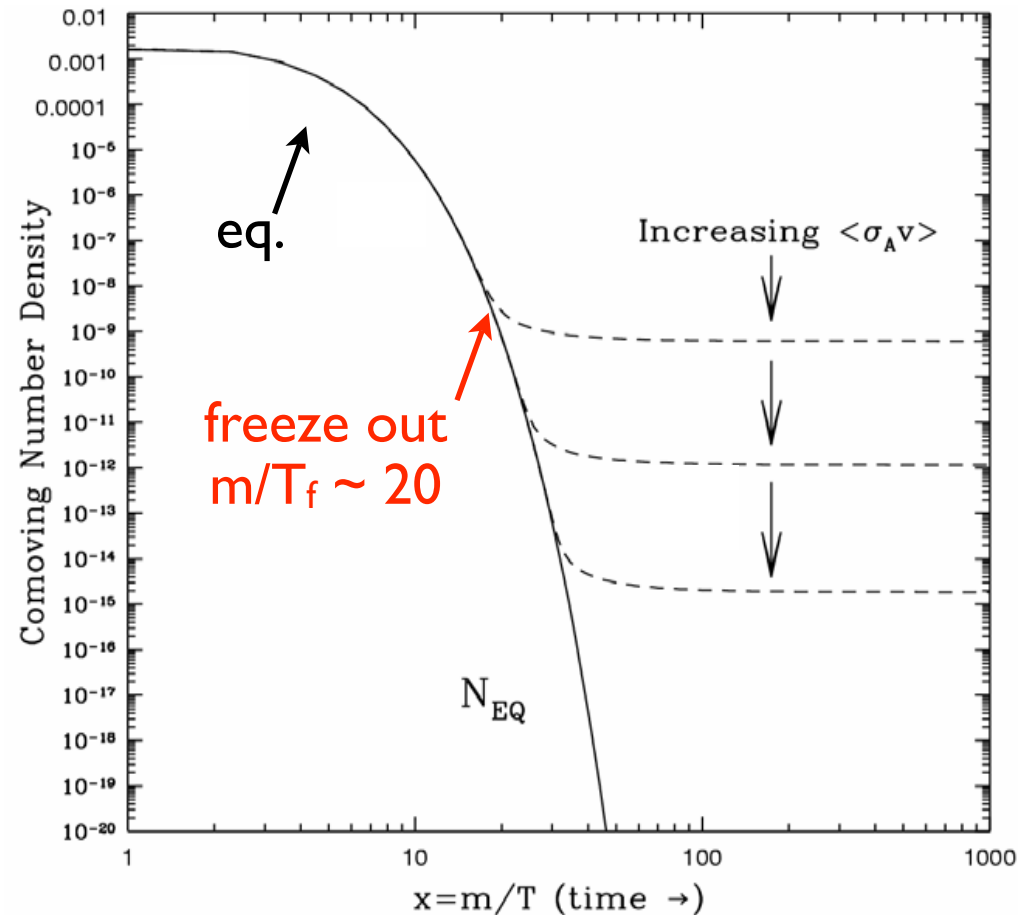
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WIMP  
freeze out  
← cold

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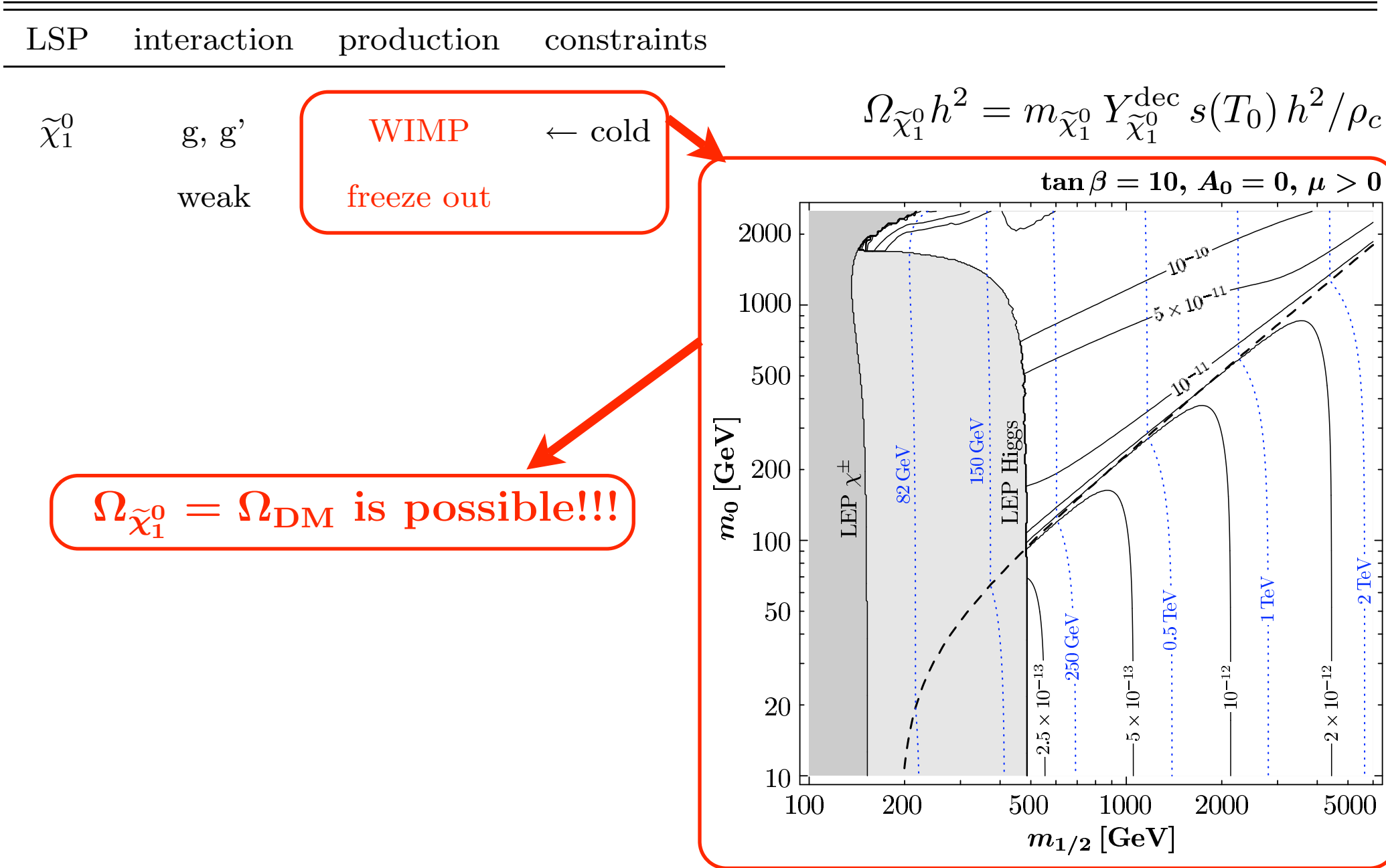
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## Cold Thermal Relic



[... , Jungman, Kamionkowski, Griest, '96, ...]

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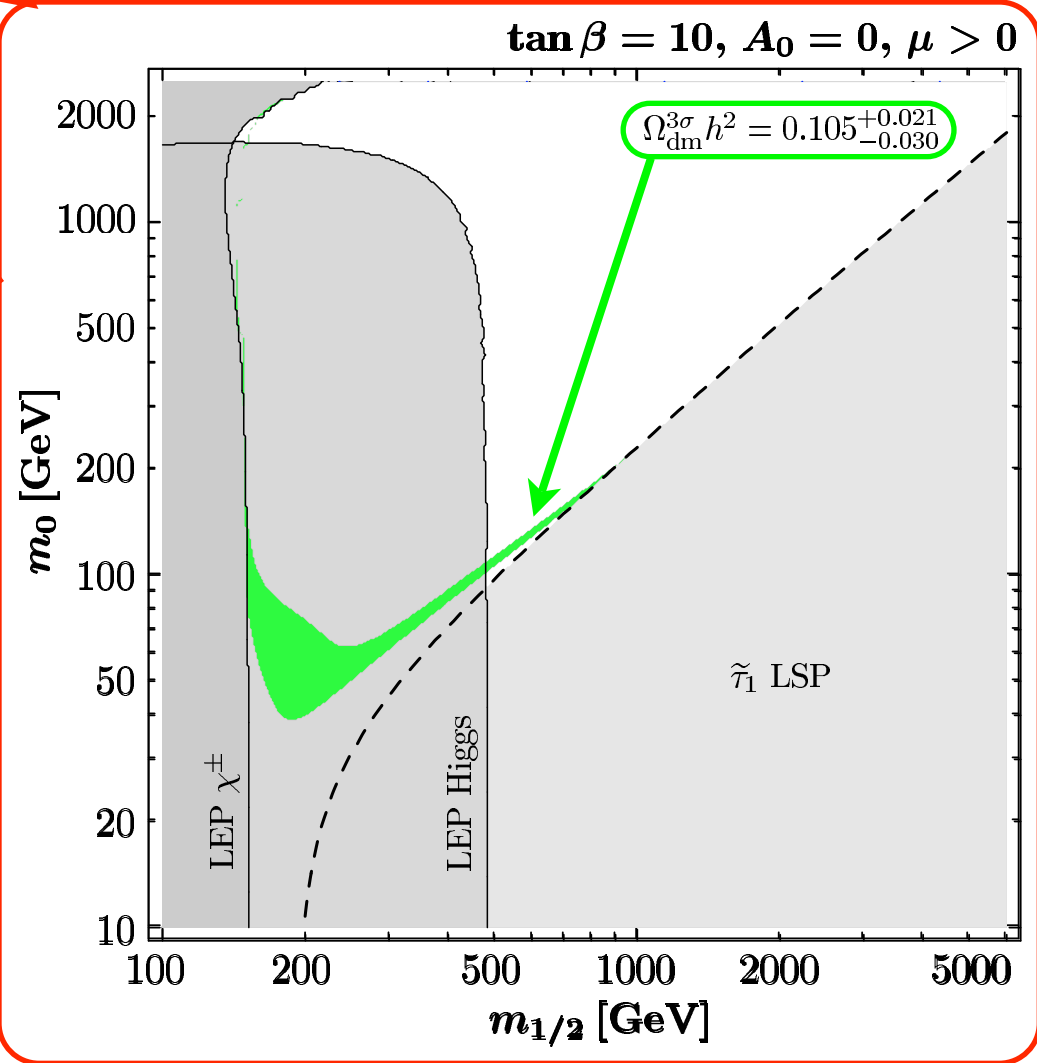
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$\tan \beta = 10, A_0 = 0, \mu > 0$

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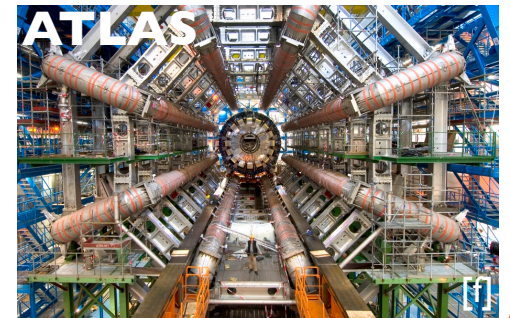
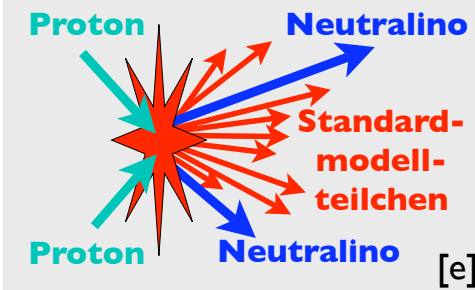
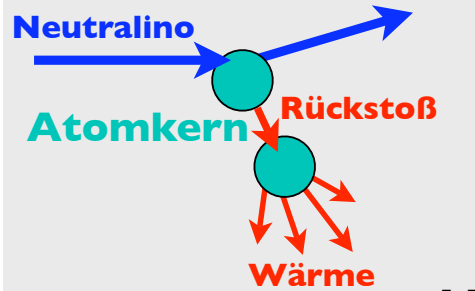
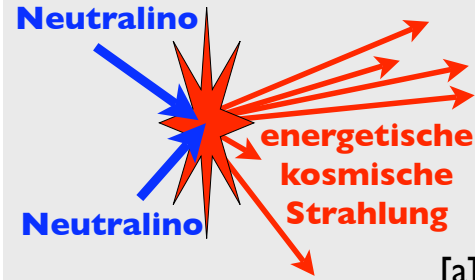
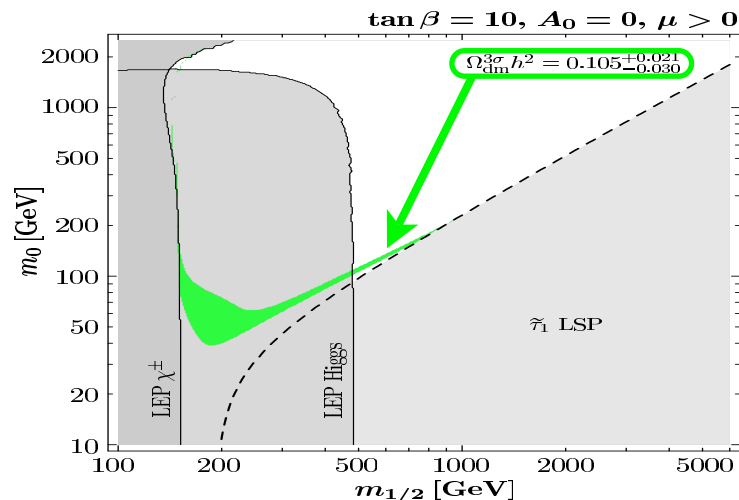
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promising experimental prospects



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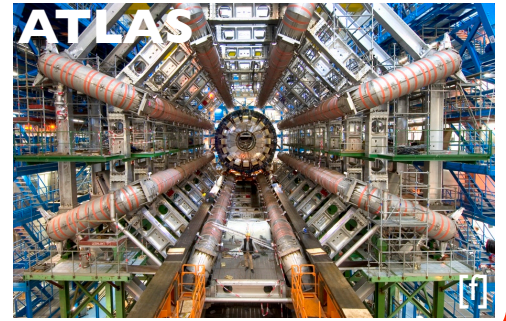
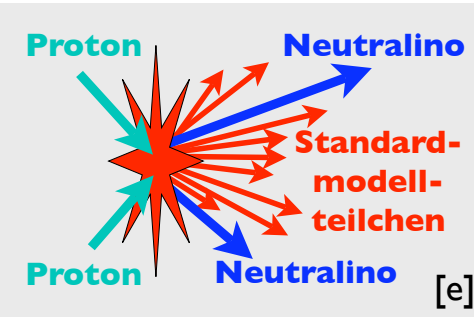
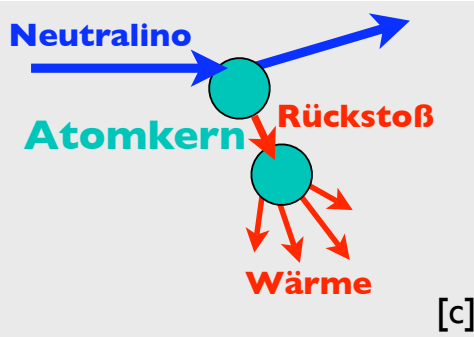
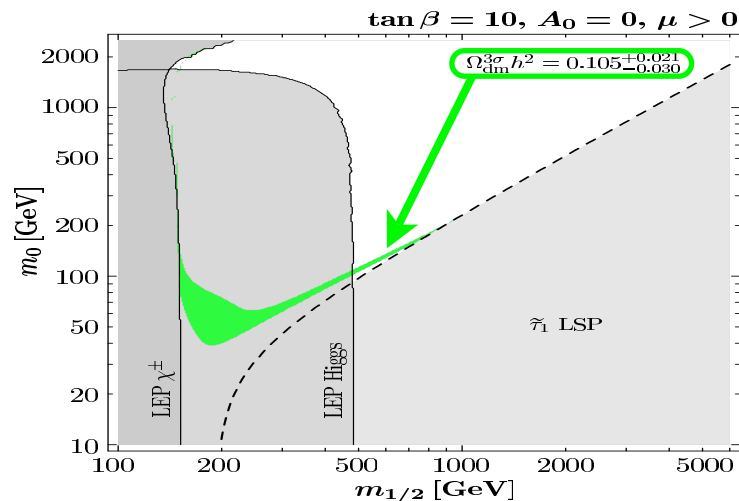
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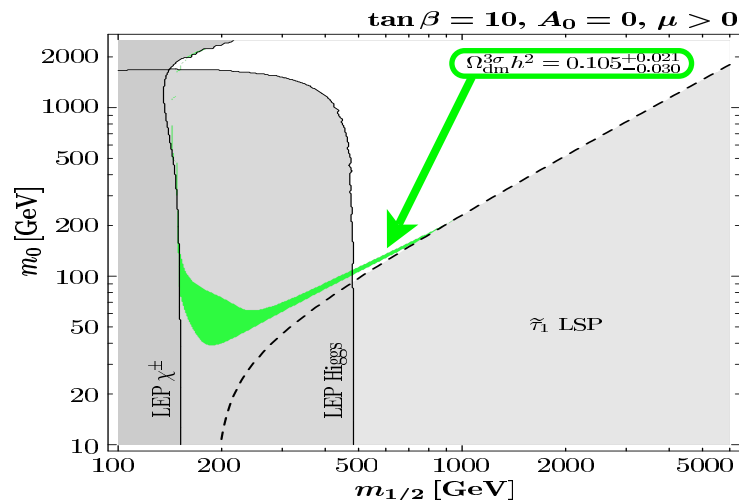
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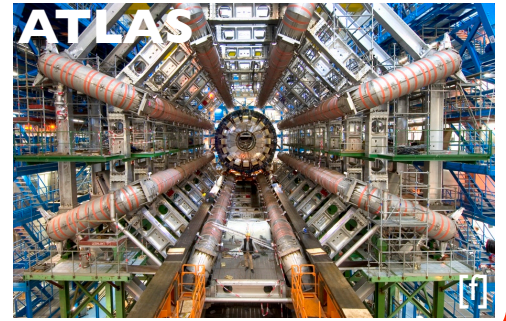
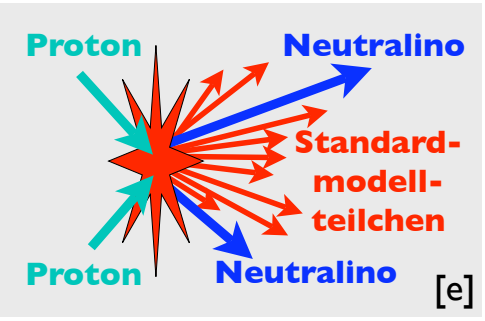
**Talks by Francesco Cafagna, Wim de Boer, Aldo Morselli, ...**

[b]

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**Talks by Josef Jochum, Rita Bernabei, Enectali Fiigueroa-Feliciano, Christian Weinheimer**

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# Neutralino DM Production at the LHC

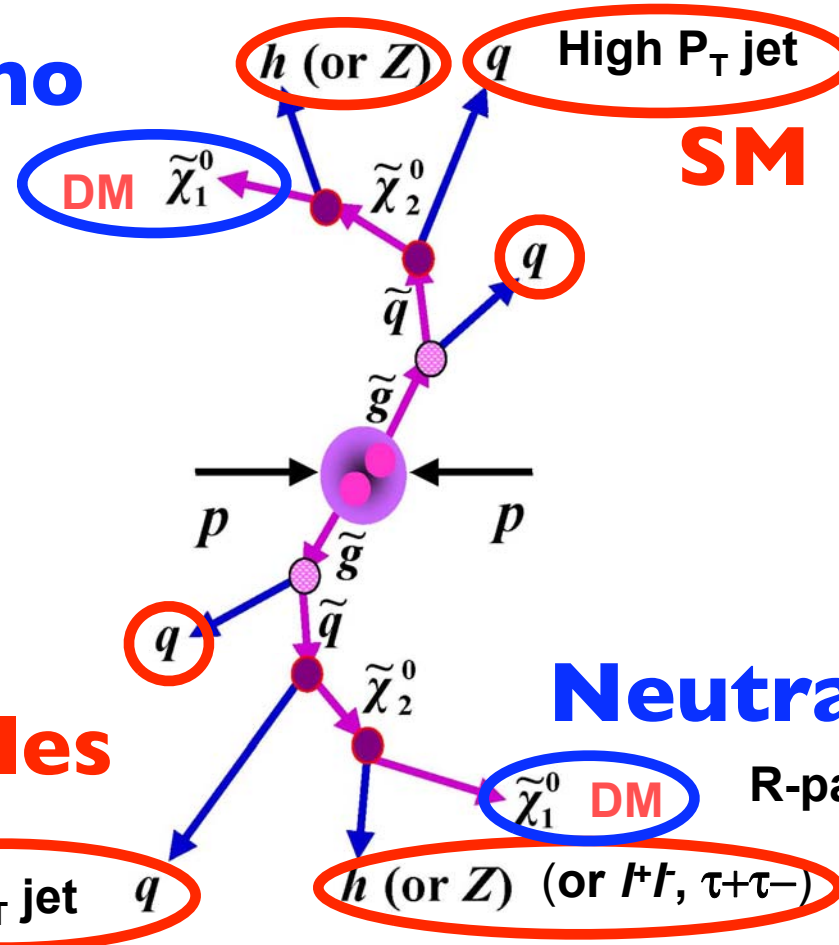
**Neutralino**

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**Neutralino**

R-parity conserving



High  $P_T$  jet  $q$

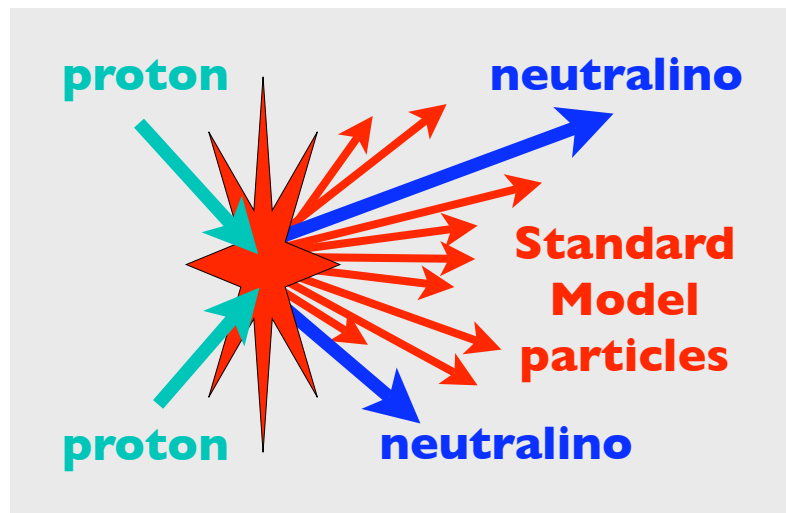
$h$  (or  $Z$ ) (or  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $\tau^+\tau^-$ )

**The signal : jets + leptons + missing  $E_T$**

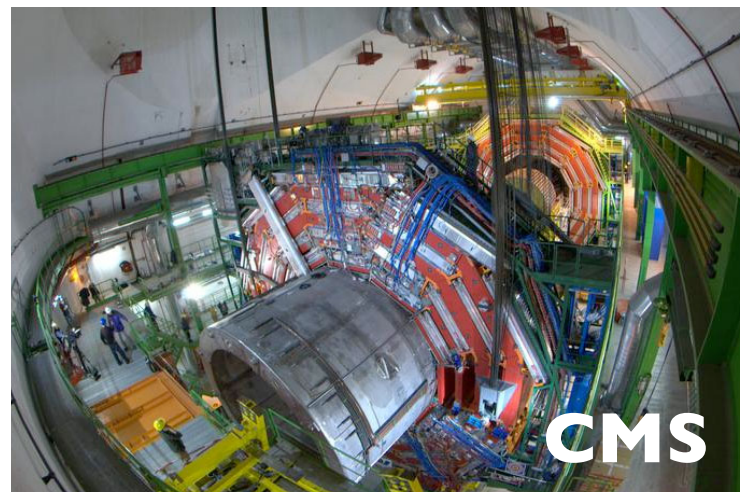
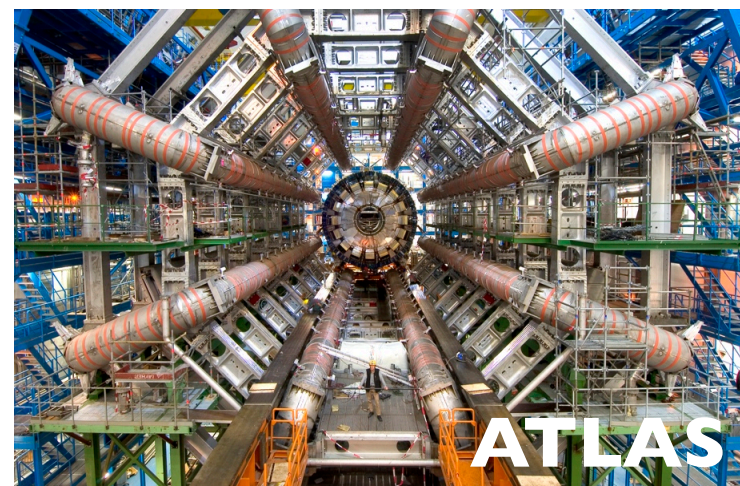
[from B. Dutta's Talk, SUSY 2007]



# Collider Searches



ongoing searches at  
**Tevatron**  
pp @ 2 TeV  
**CDF D0**

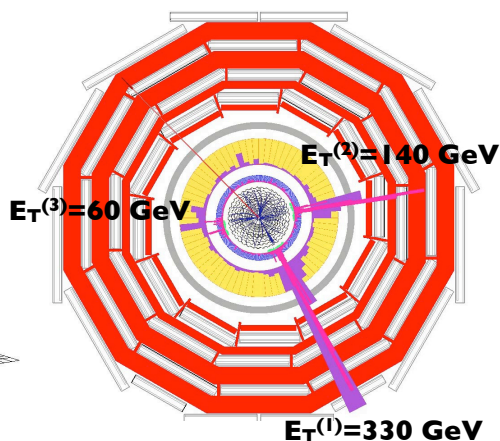


$E_T^{\text{missing}} = 360 \text{ GeV}$

$E_T^{(1)} = 330 \text{ GeV}$

$E_T^{(2)} = 140 \text{ GeV}$

$E_T^{(3)} = 60 \text{ GeV}$



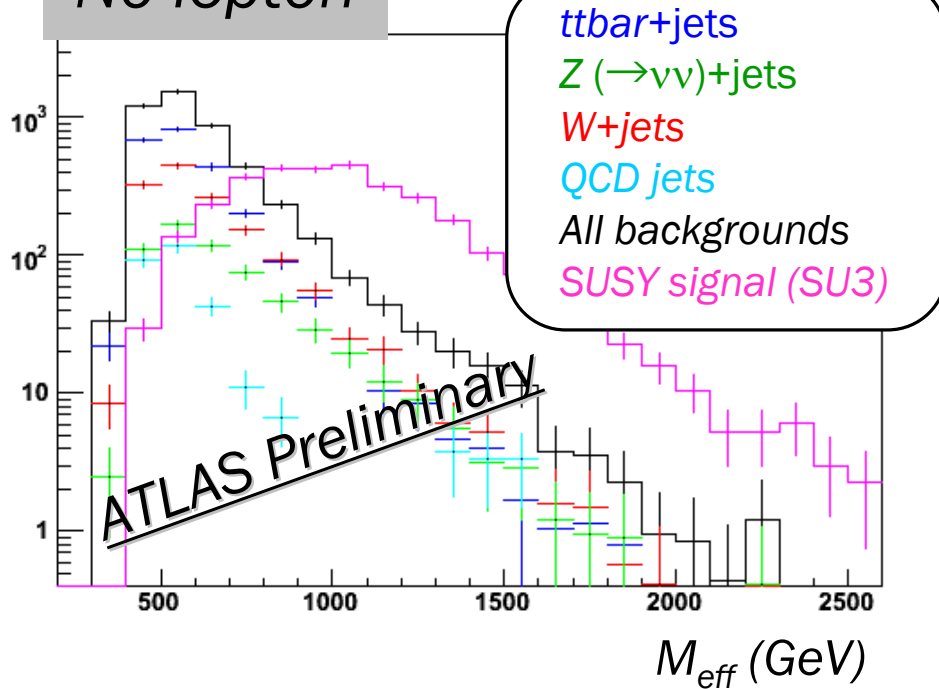
The signal:

**jets + leptons + large  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$**

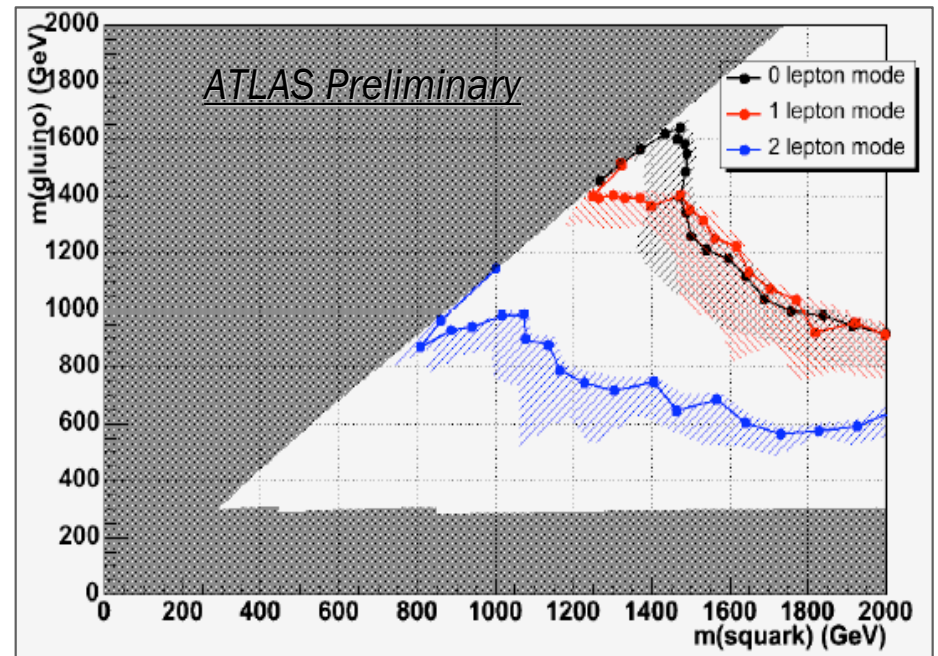
# Early SUSY Searches @ ATLAS

Benchmark point SU3:  
 $m_0=100\text{GeV}$ ,  $m_{1/2}=300\text{GeV}$ ,  $A_0=-300$ ,  $\tan\beta=6$ ,  $\text{sign}(\mu)=+$

No-lepton



Discovery potential with  $L \sim 1\text{fb}^{-1}$



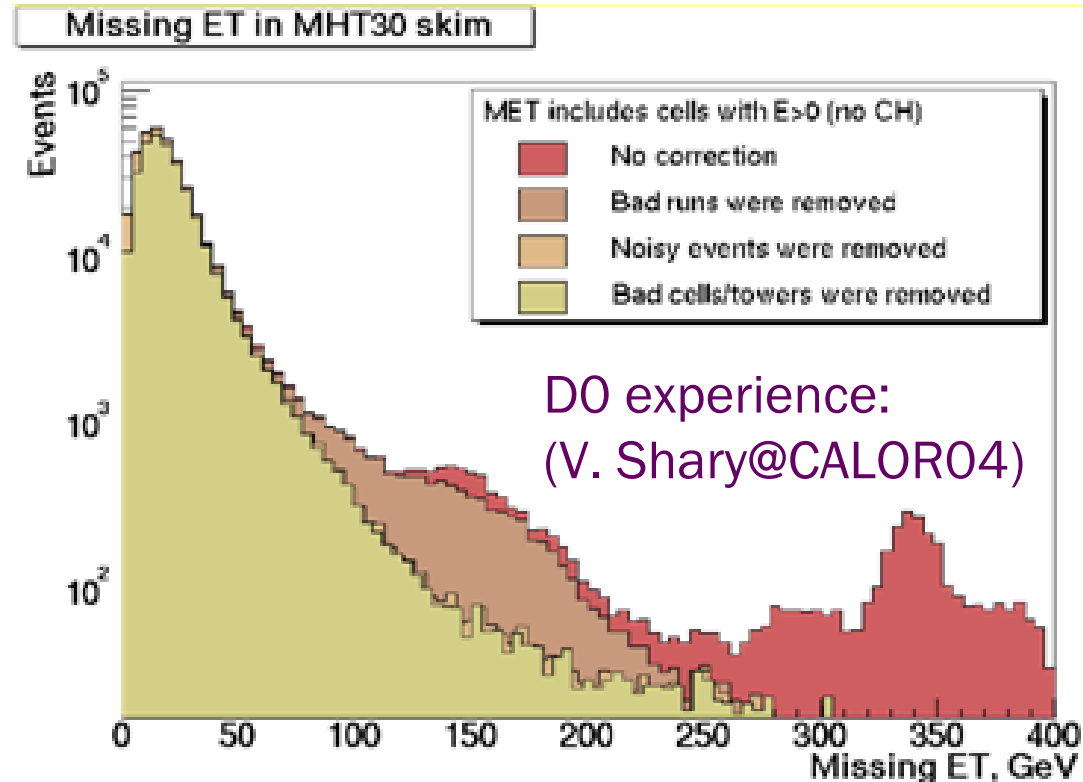
Effective mass ( $M_{\text{eff}} = \sum_i p_T^i + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ )

$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 100 \text{ GeV}$

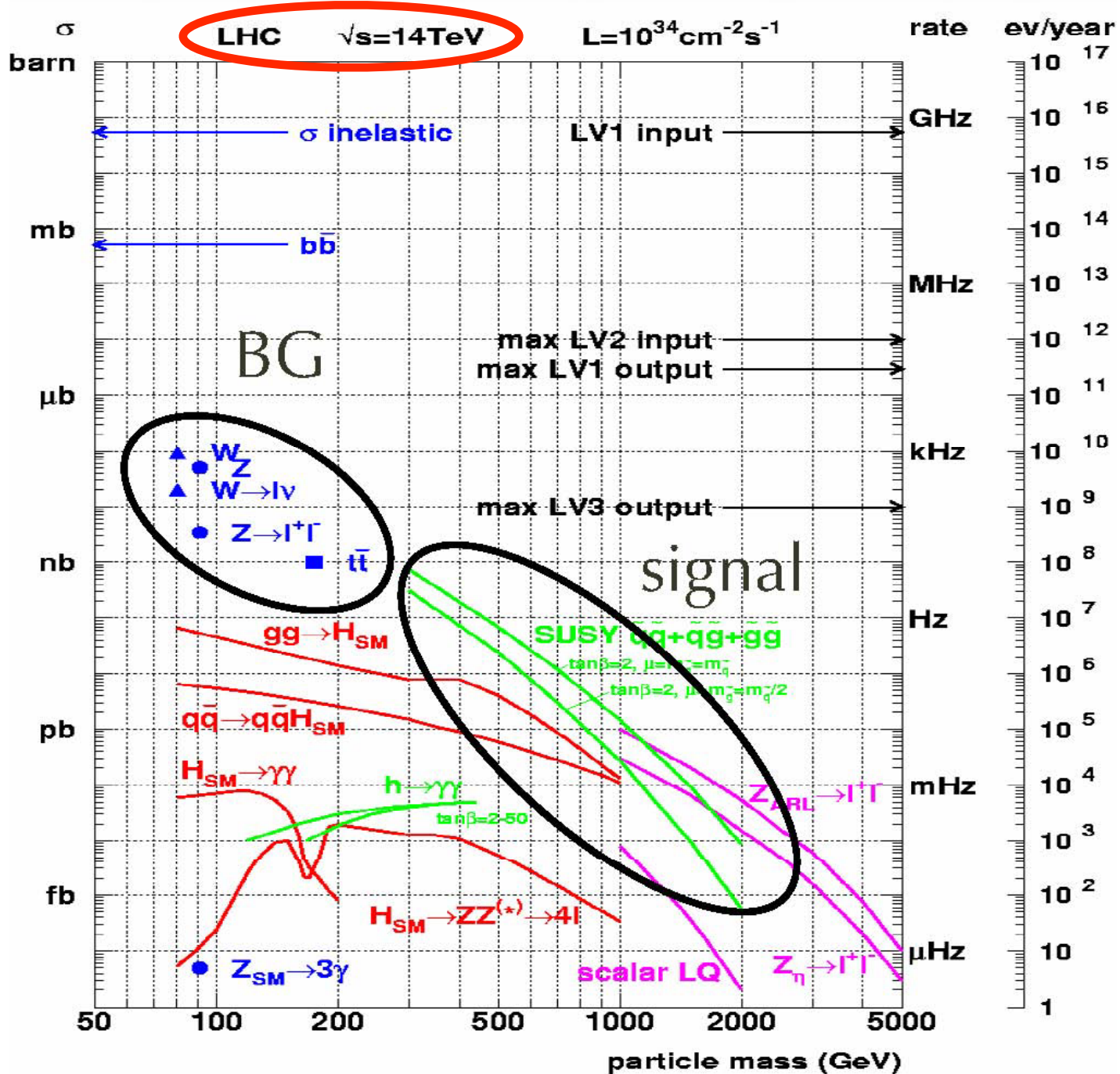
[from S. Yamamoto's Talk, SUSY 2007]



# Controlling Energy Scale and Resolution of $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ...



... is very difficult !!!



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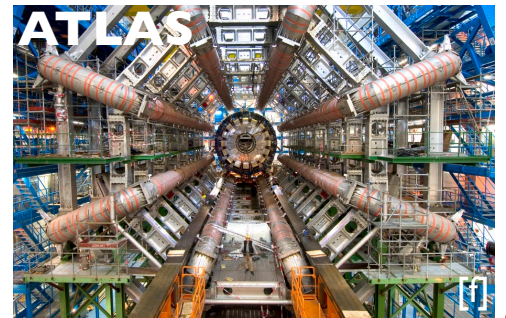
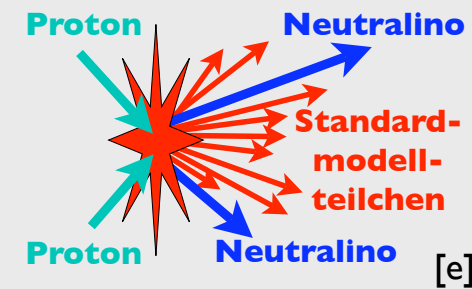
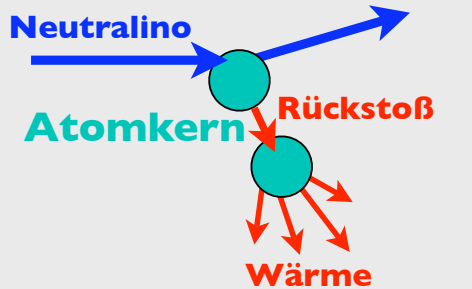
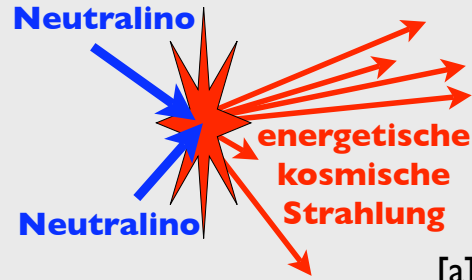
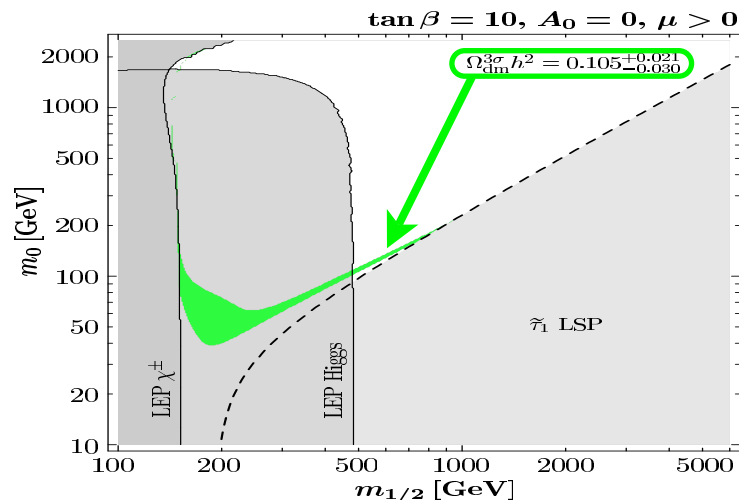
LSP    interaction    production    constraints    experiments

$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$      $g, g'$   
weak

WIMP    ← cold  
freeze out



$\Omega_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} = \Omega_{\text{DM}}$  is possible!!!



promising experimental prospects

# Warning



**Things might turn out  
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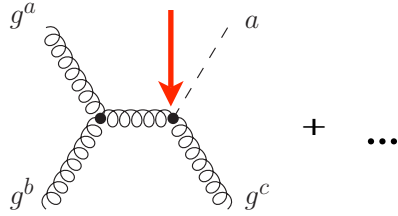
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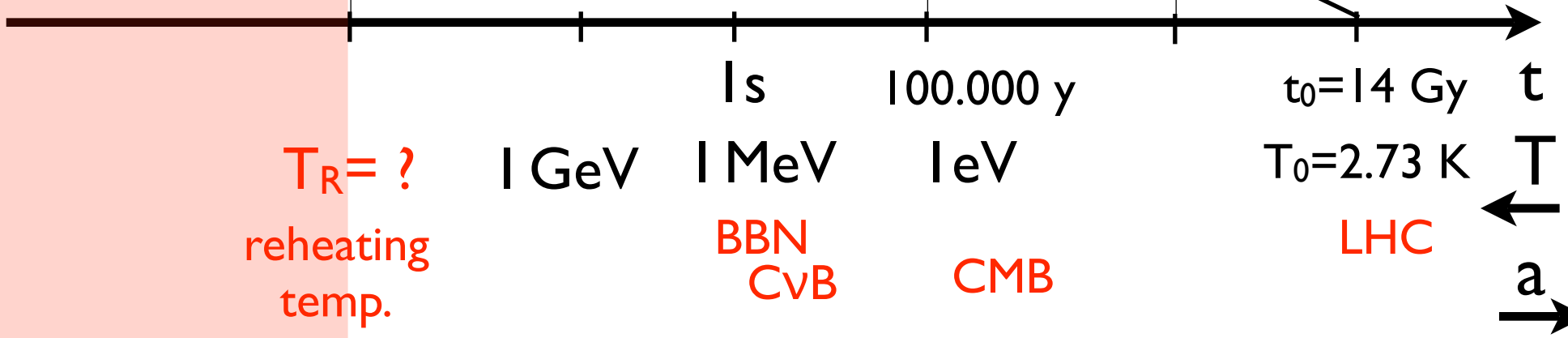
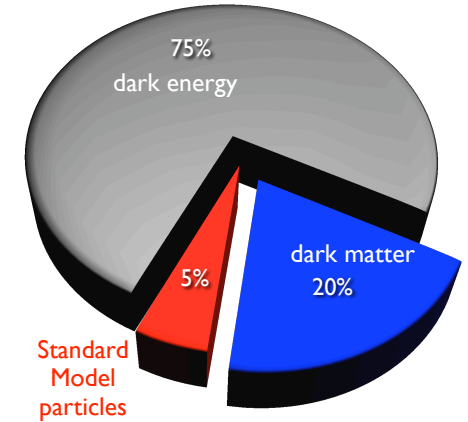
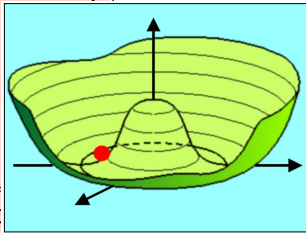
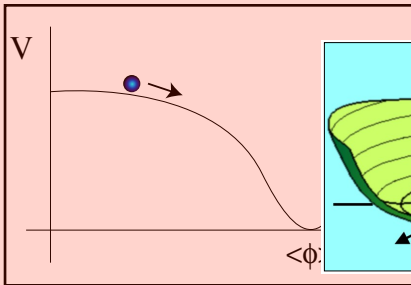
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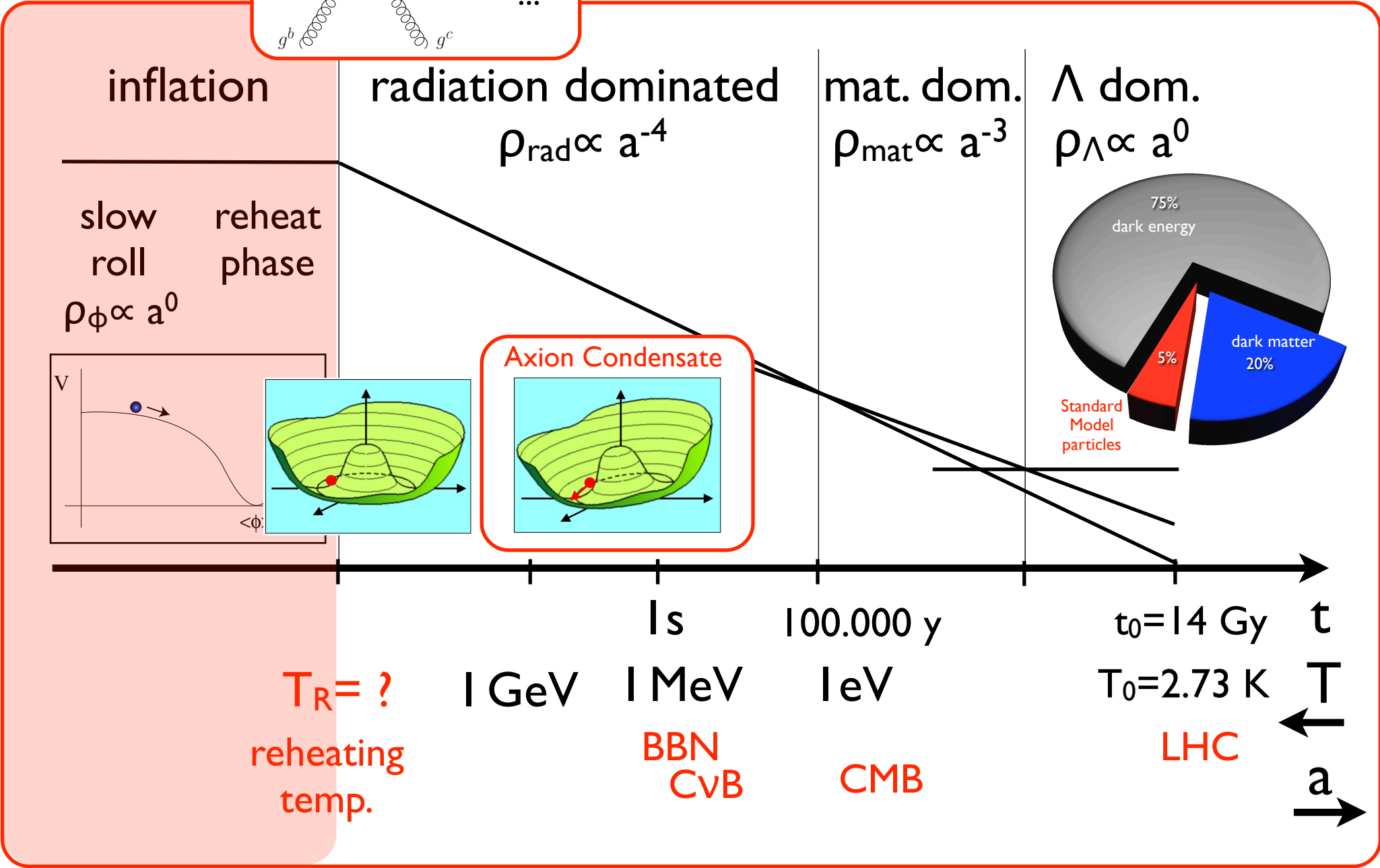
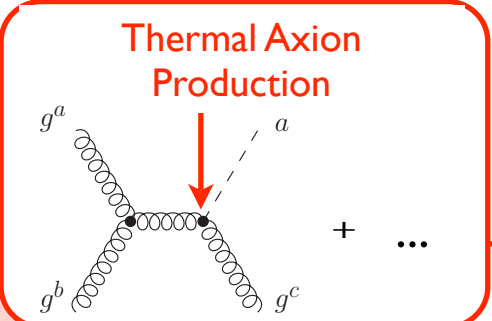
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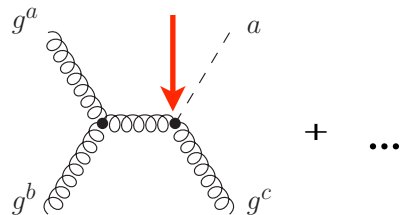








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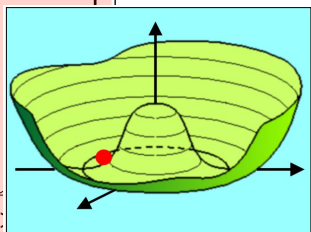
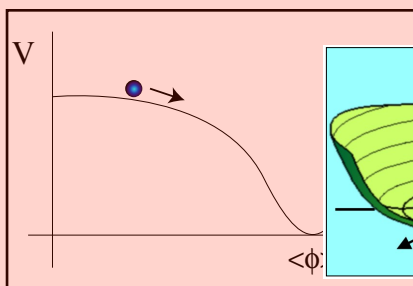
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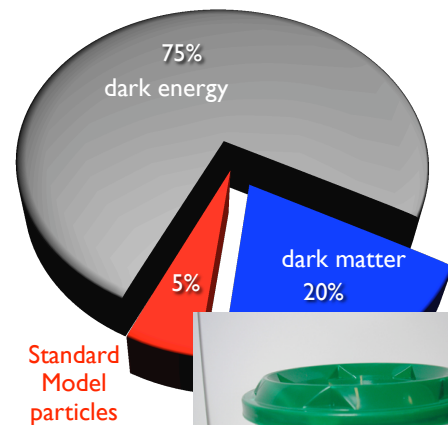
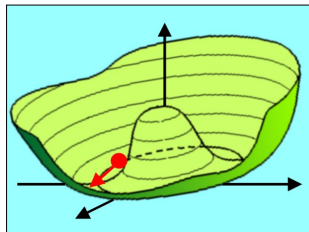
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1 eV

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LHC

1 s

100,000 y

$t_0 = 14$  Gy

$t$

$T$

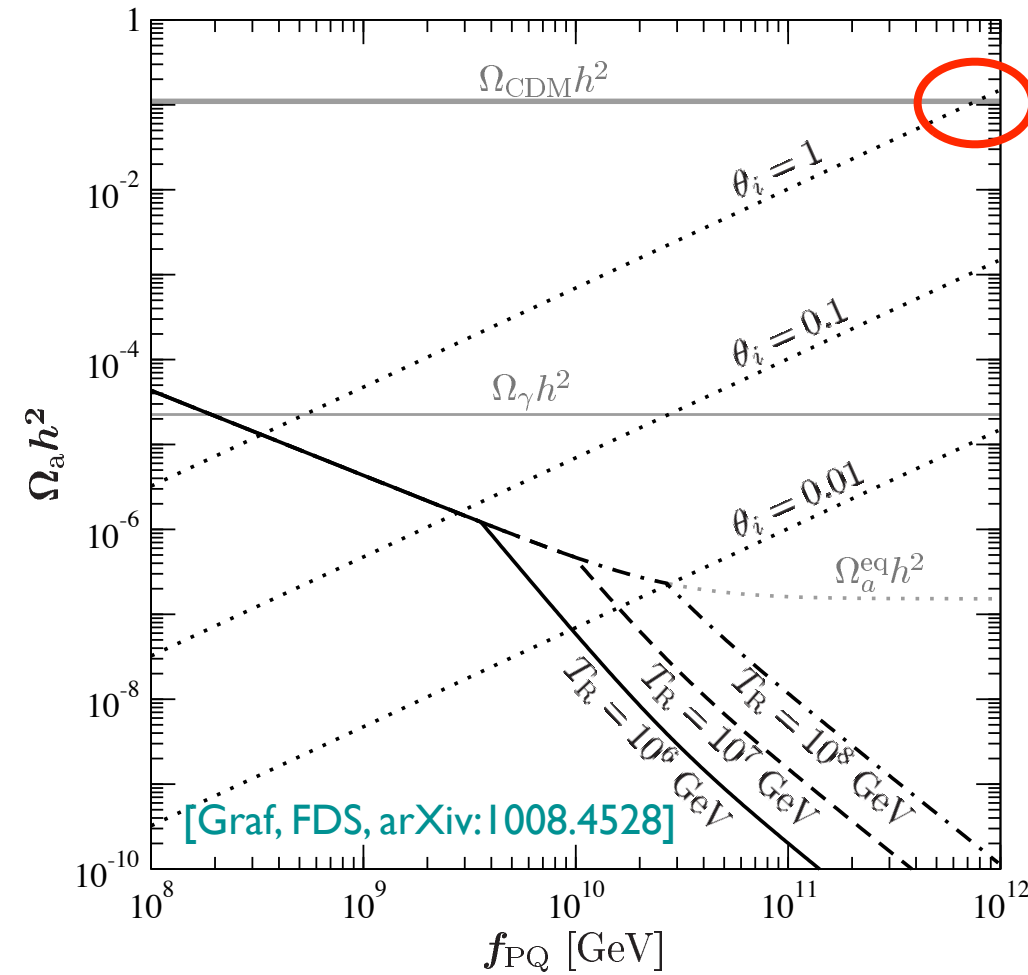
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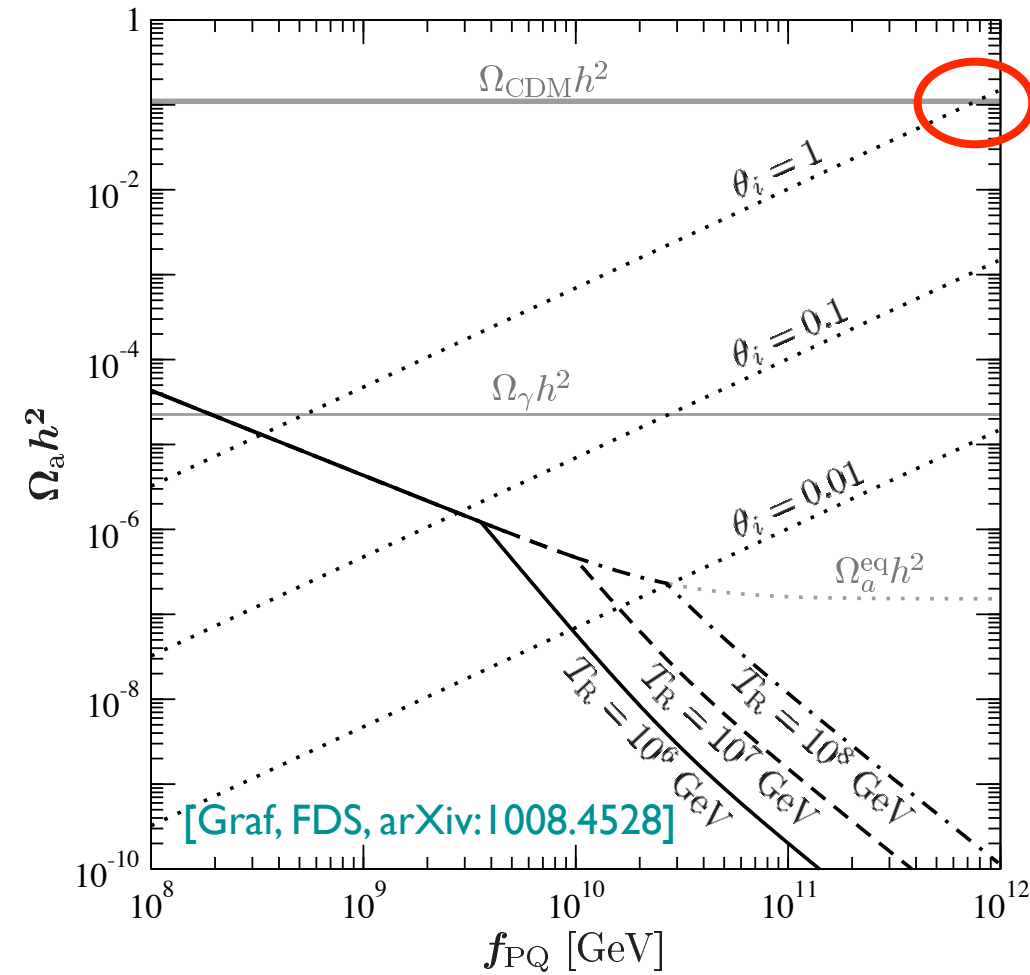
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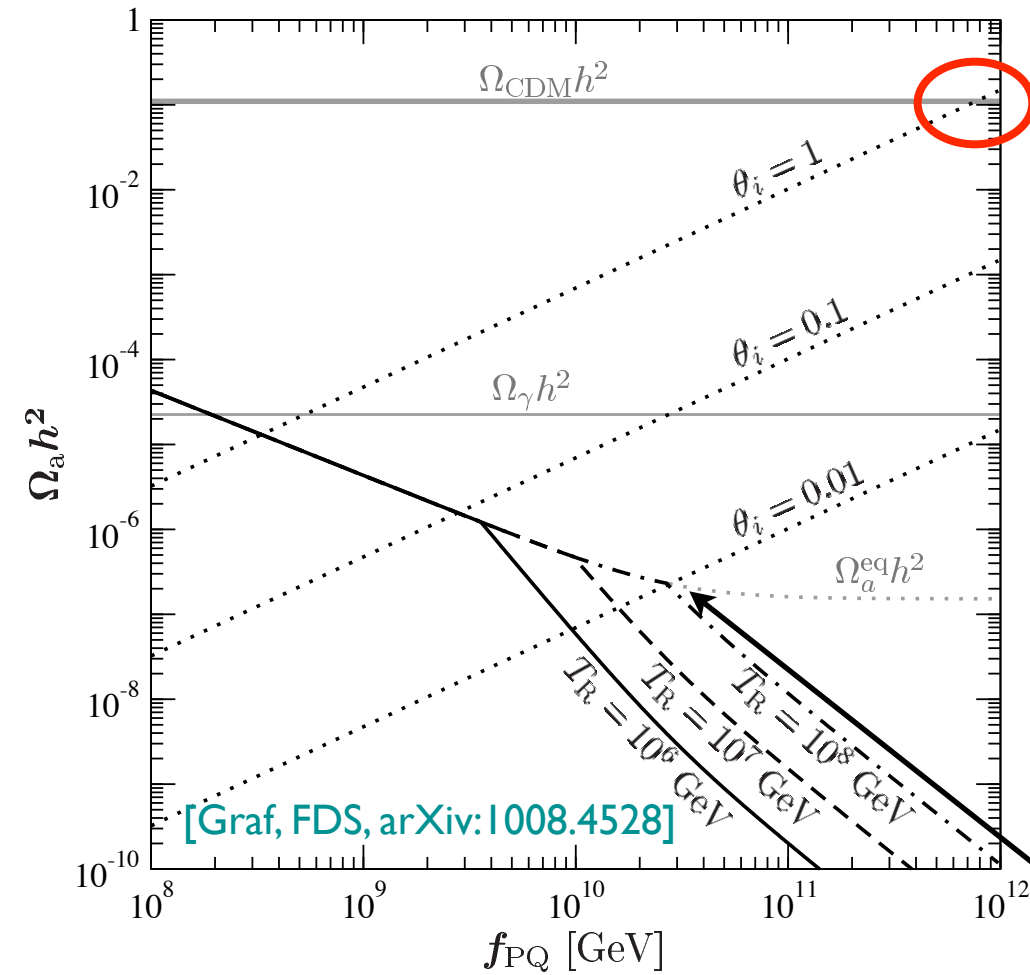
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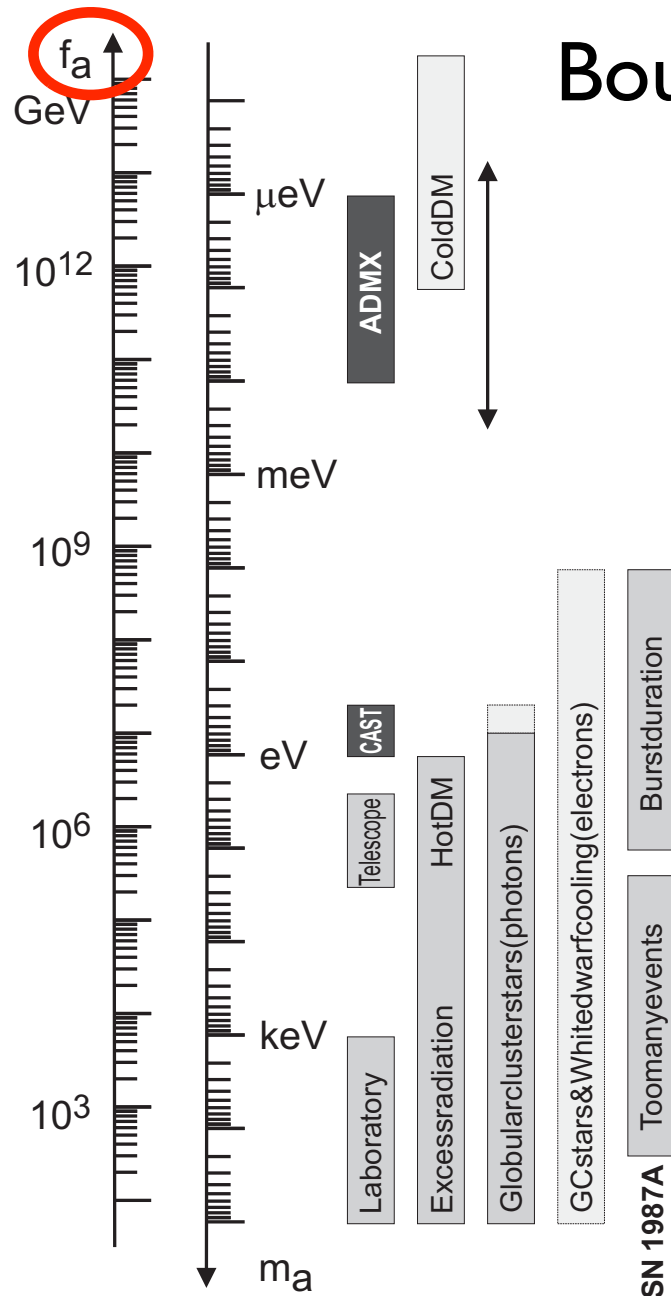
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[Masso et al., '02; Sikivie, '08; Graf, FDS, '10]

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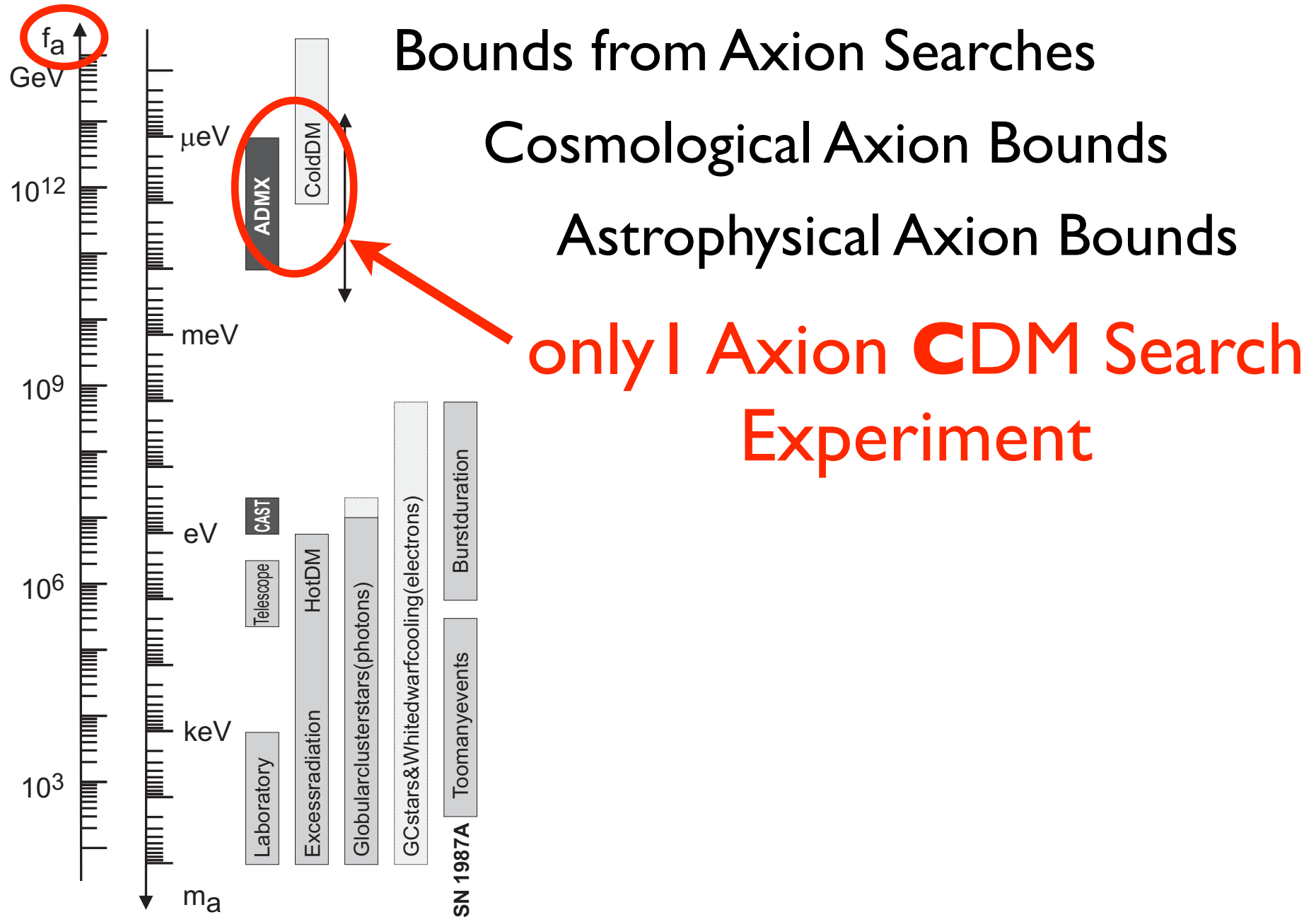


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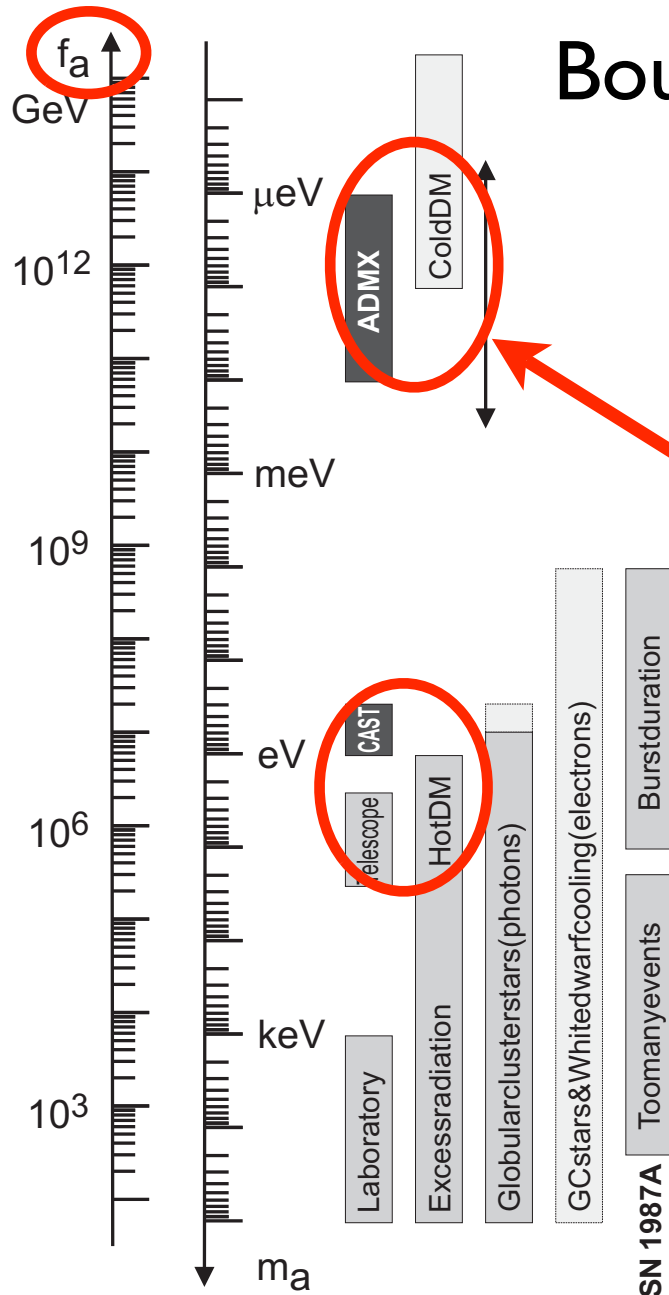
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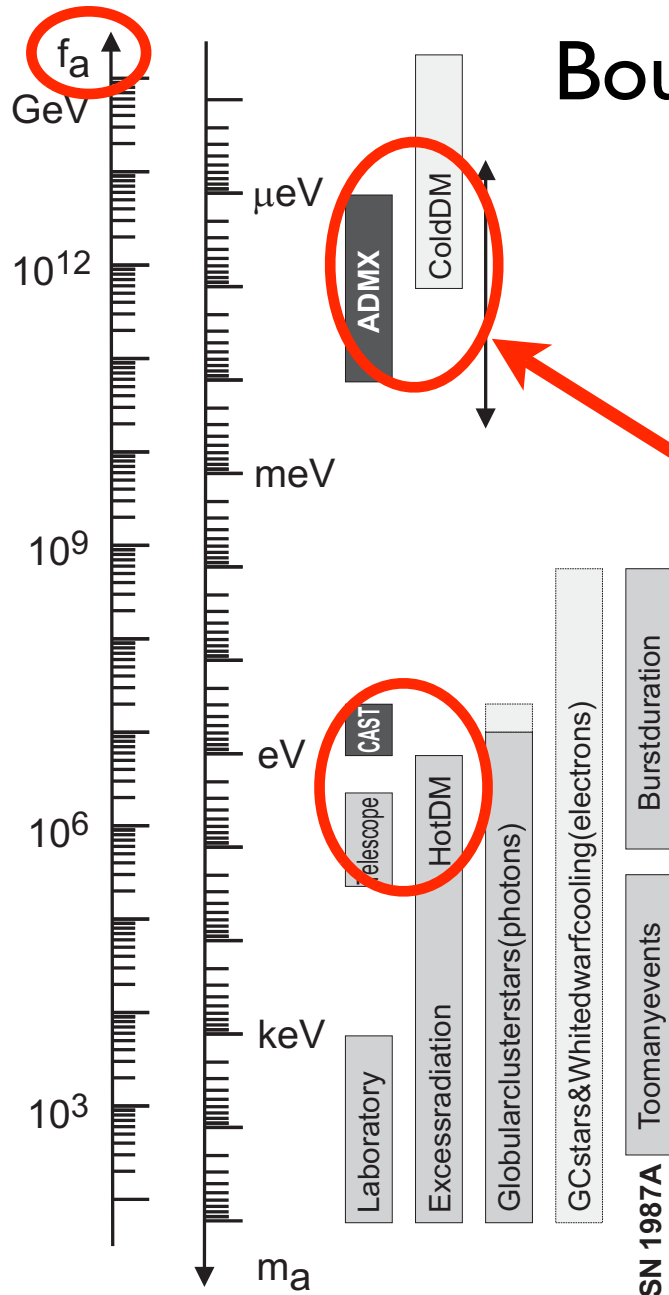
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Axion DM and Neutralino DM might coexist!



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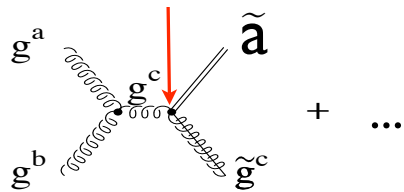
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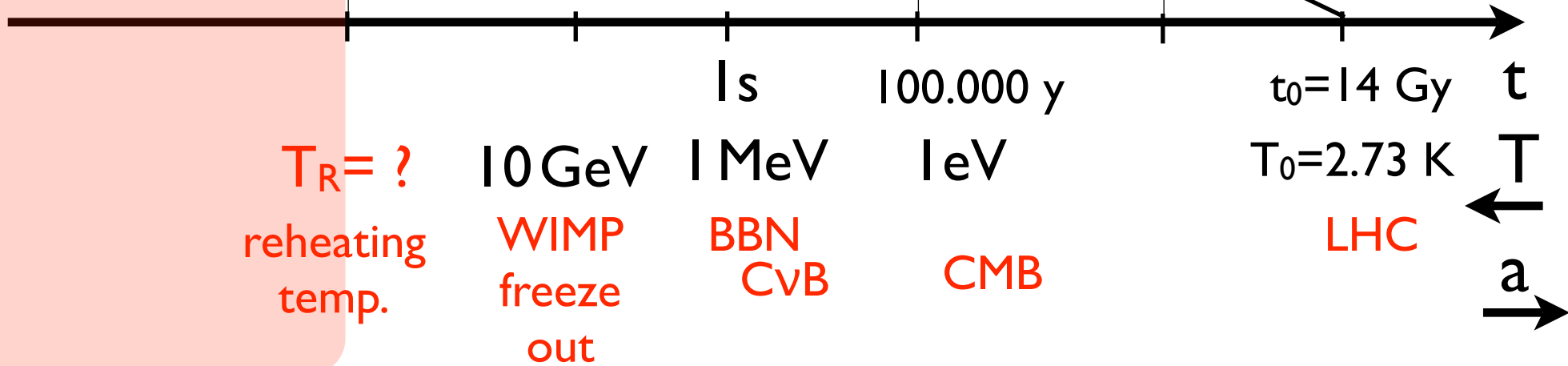
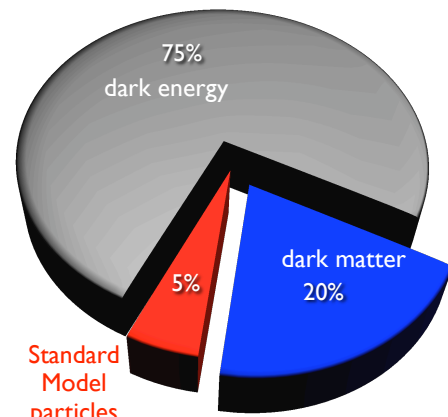
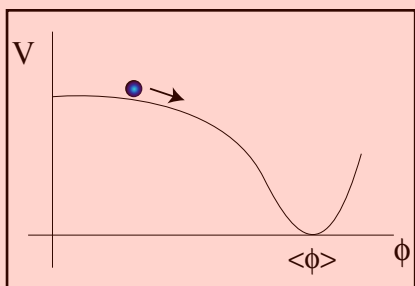
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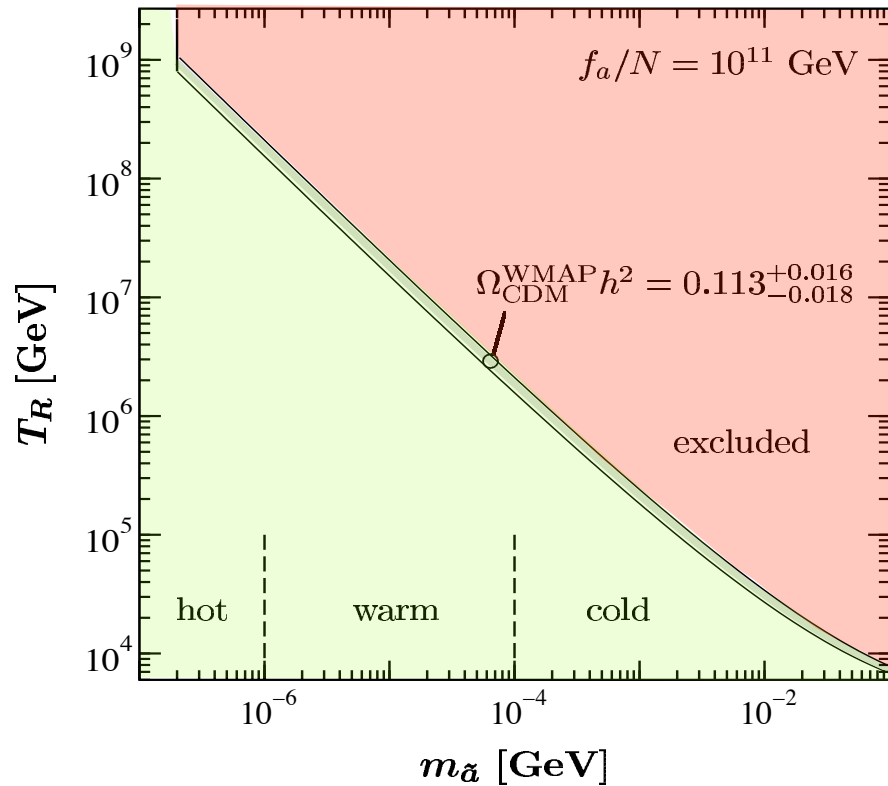
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# Axino LSP Case

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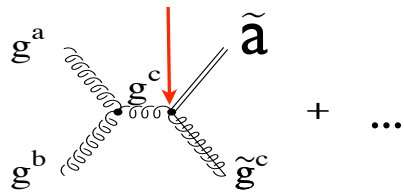


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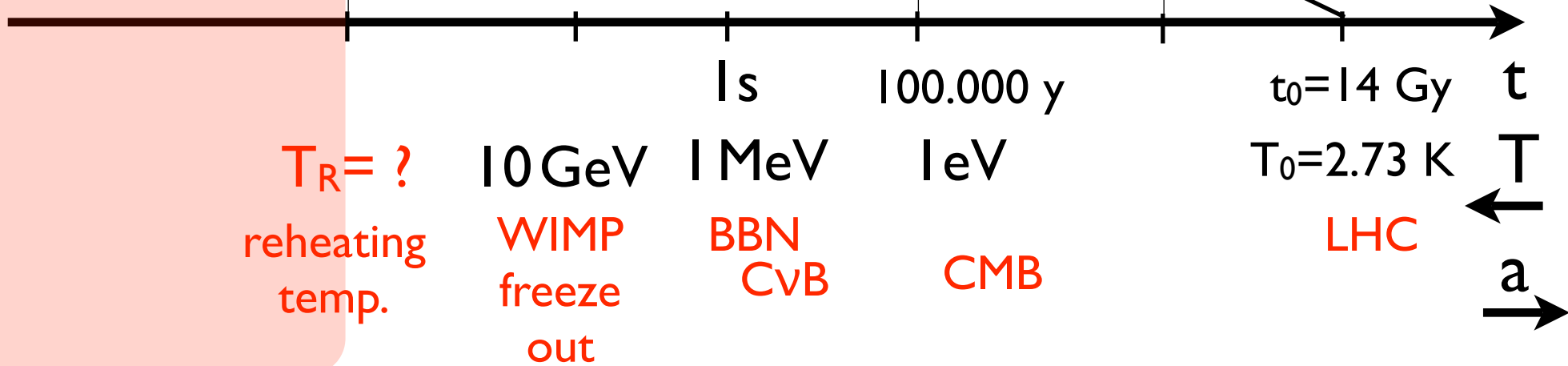
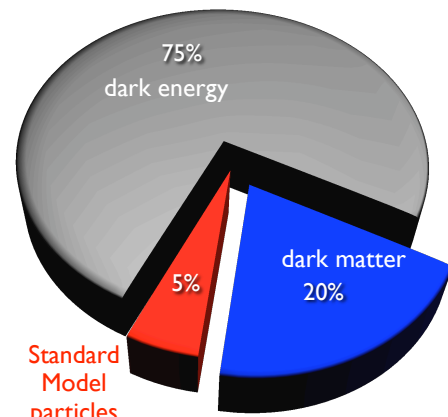
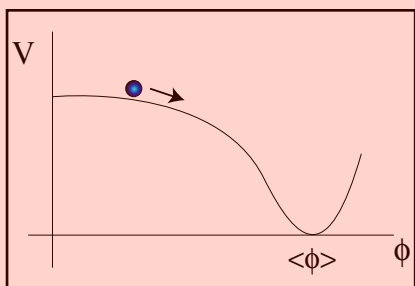
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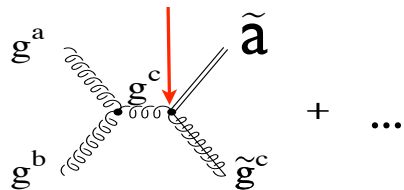
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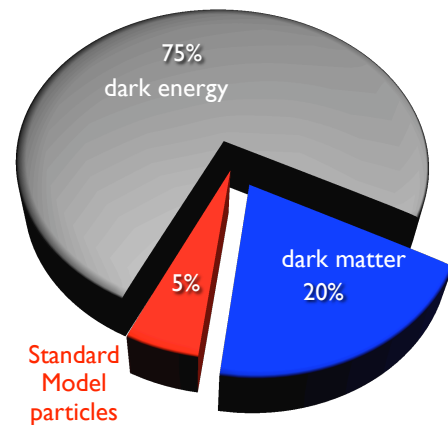
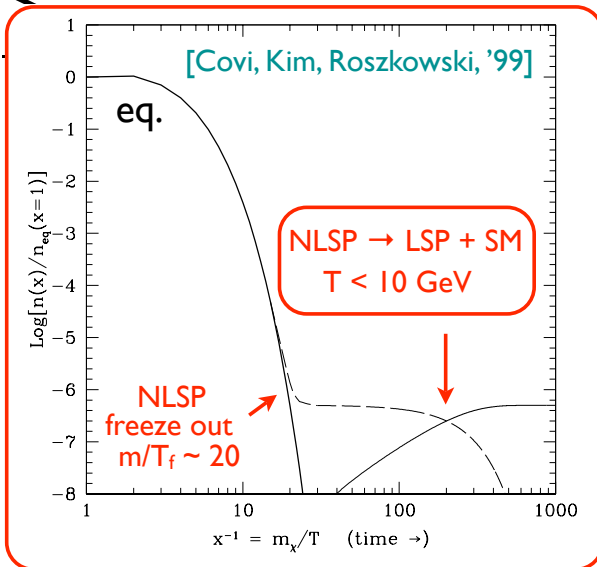
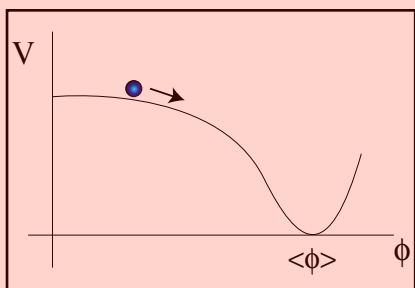
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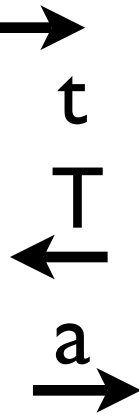
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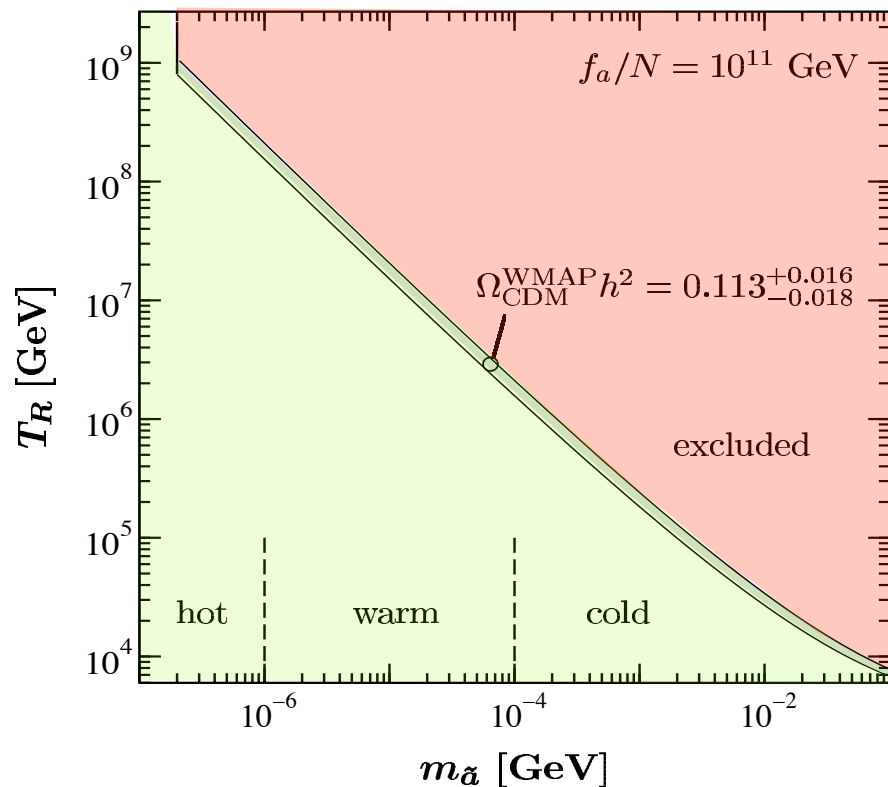
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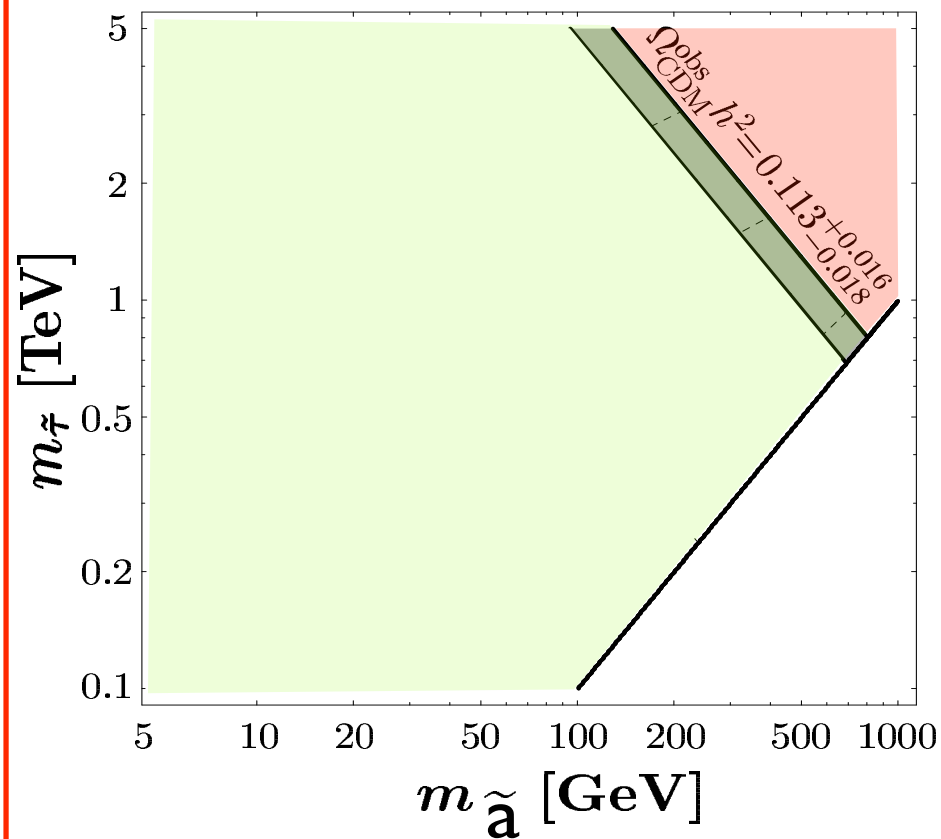


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**Probing axinos  
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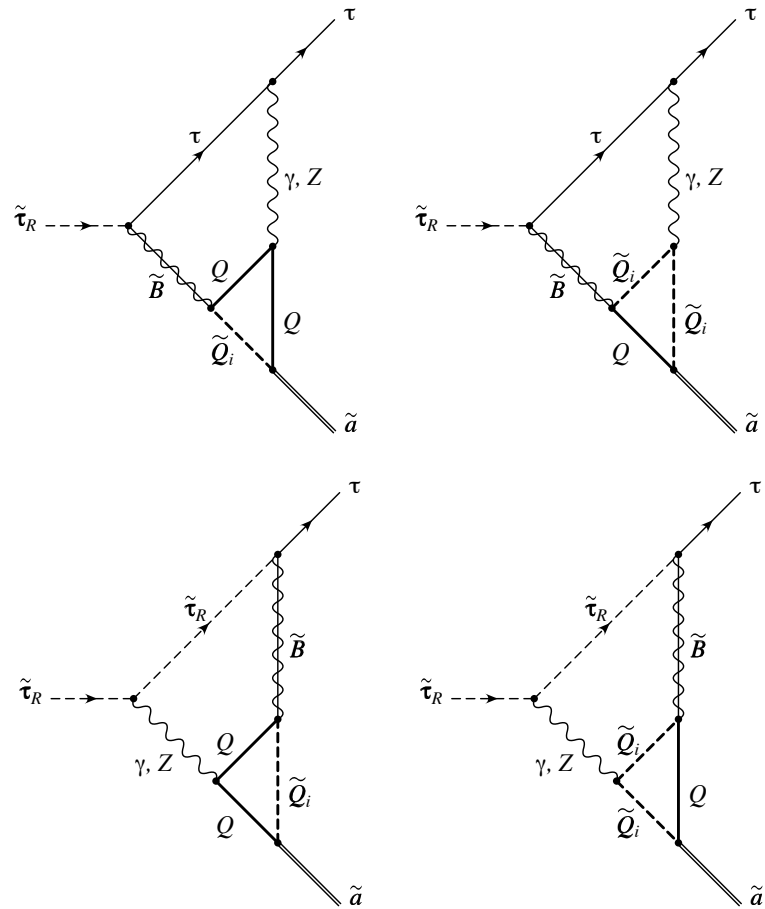


**If we are lucky ...**



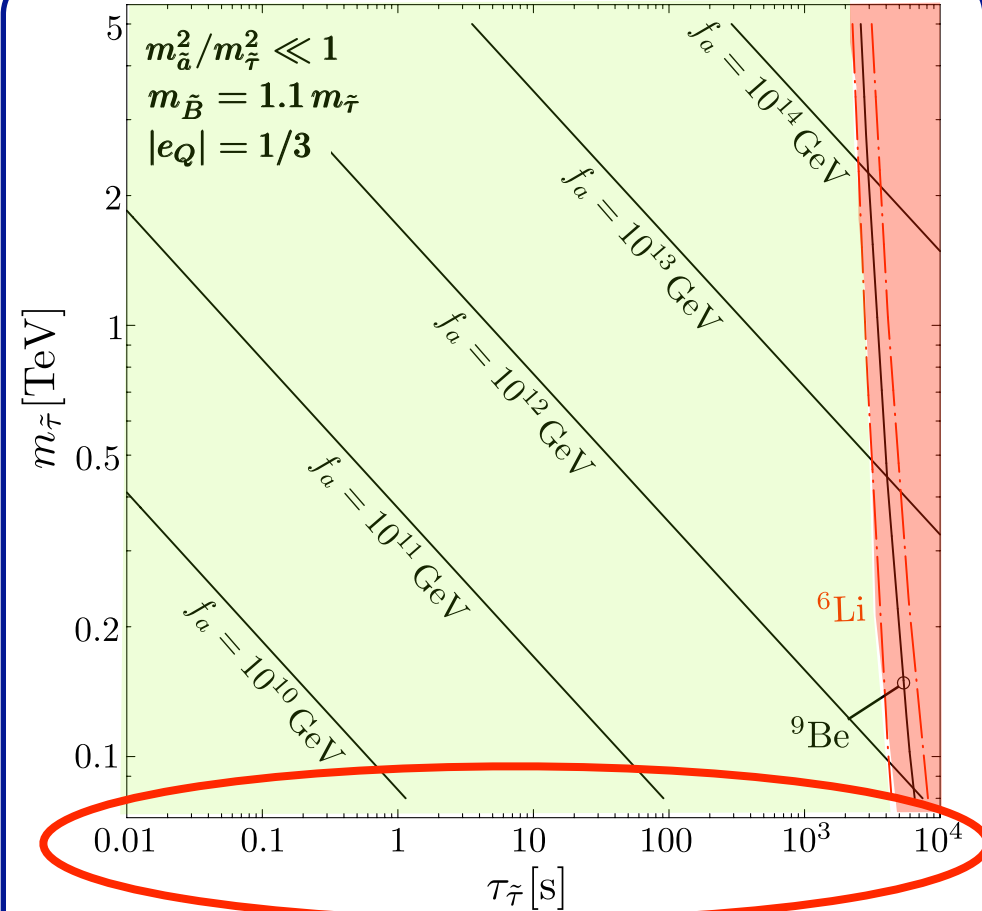
# Stau Decays into Axinos

BBN



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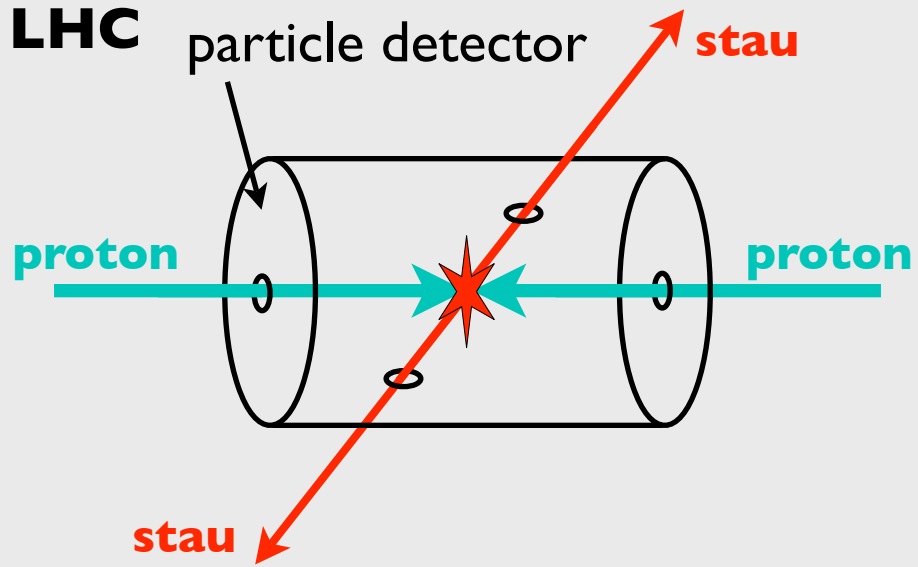
| Chiral multiplet  | $U(1)_{PQ}$ | $(SU(3)_c, SU(2)_L)_Y$              |
|---|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| $\Phi = \phi + \sqrt{2}\chi\theta + F_\phi\theta\theta$   | +1          | $(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0$        |
| $Q_1 = \tilde{Q}_1 + \sqrt{2}q_1\theta + F_1\theta\theta$ | -1/2        | $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{+e_Q}$   |
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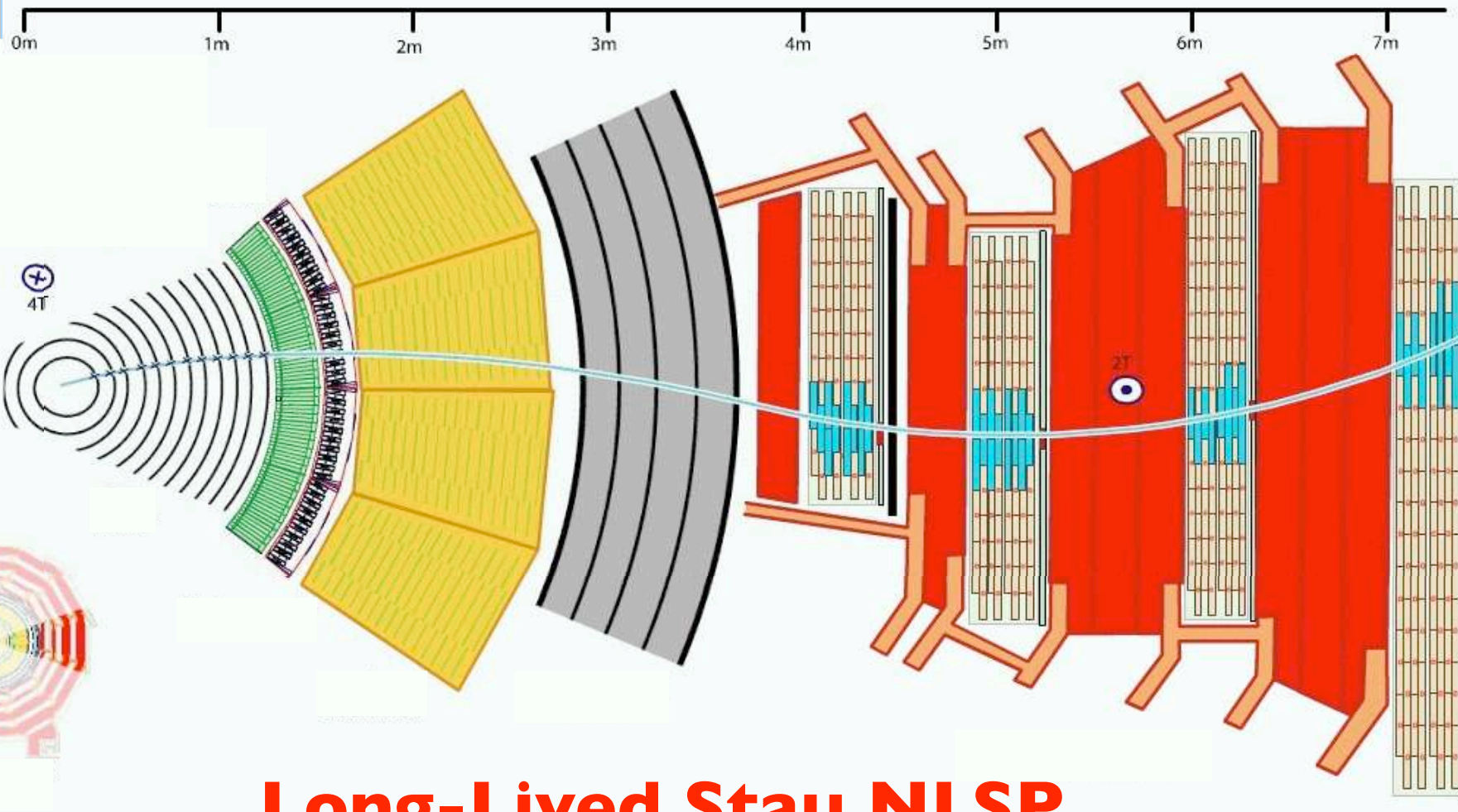
$$\Gamma_{\text{tot}}^{\tilde{\tau}_R} \approx \Gamma(\tilde{\tau}_R \rightarrow \tau \tilde{a})_{\text{LL}}$$

$$= \frac{81\alpha^4 e_Q^4}{128\pi^5 \cos^8 \theta_W} \frac{m_{\tilde{\tau}} m_{\tilde{B}}^2}{f_a^2} \left(1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{a}}^2}{m_{\tilde{\tau}}^2}\right)^2 \ln^2\left(\frac{y f_a}{\sqrt{2} m_{\tilde{\tau}}}\right)$$

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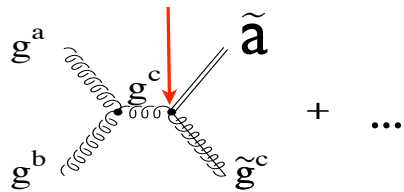


# “Stable” Charged Massive Particle @ LHC



**Long-Lived Stau NLSP**  
[from P. Zalewski's Talk, SUSY 2007]

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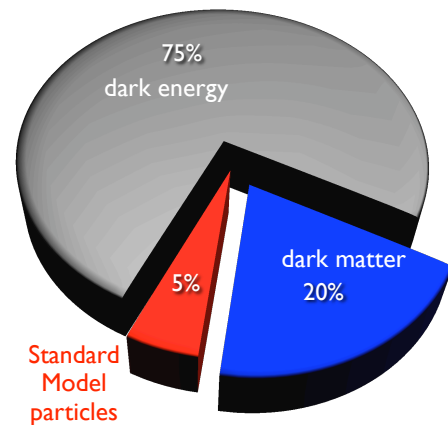
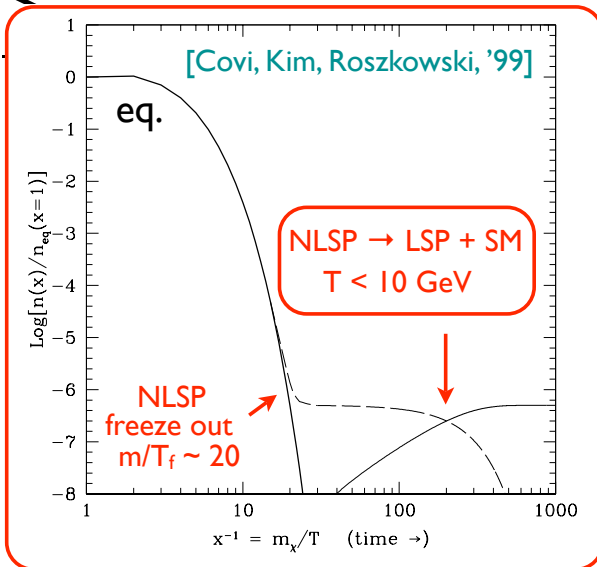
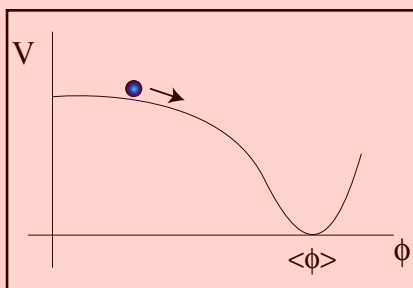
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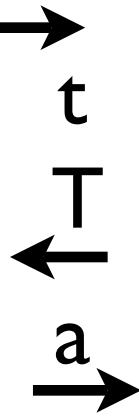
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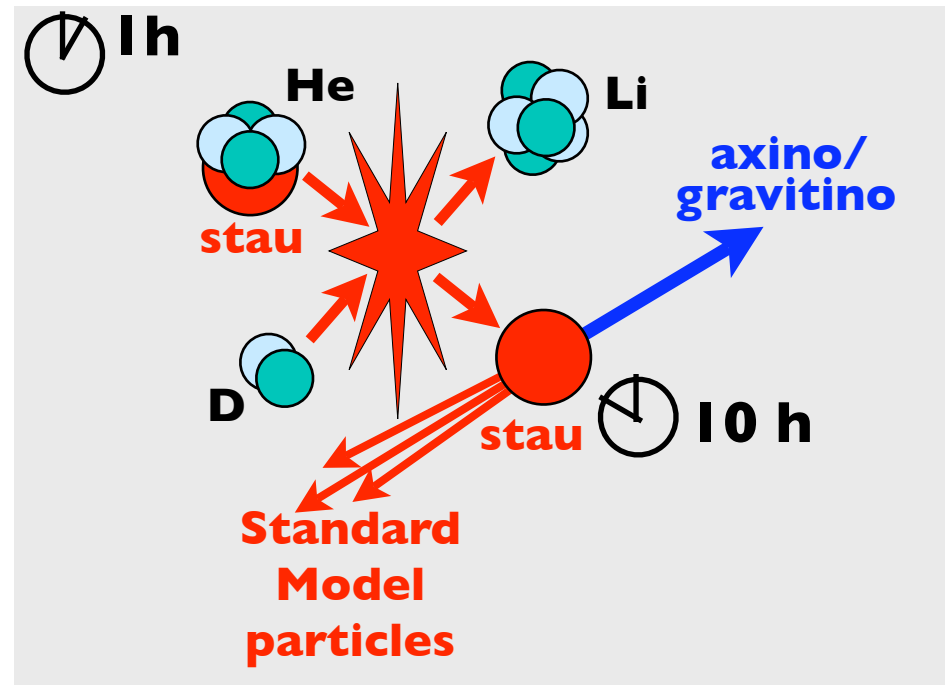
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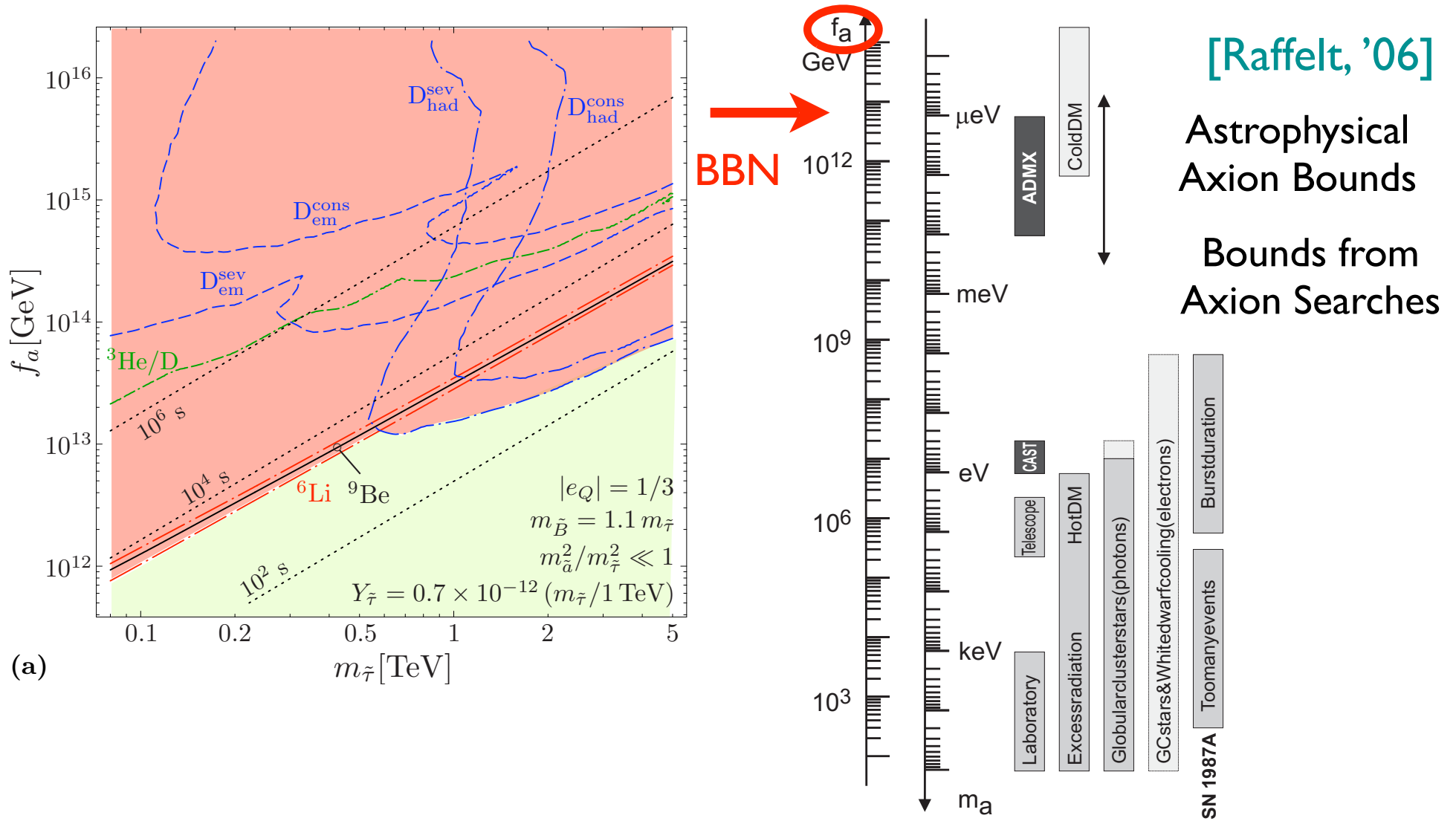
# Catalyzed BBN [Pospelov, '06]



[Cyburt et al., '06; FDS, '06; Pradler, FDS, '07; Hamaguchi et al., '07; Kawasaki, Kohri, Moroi, '07; Takayama, '07; Jedamzik, '07; Pradler, FDS, '08]

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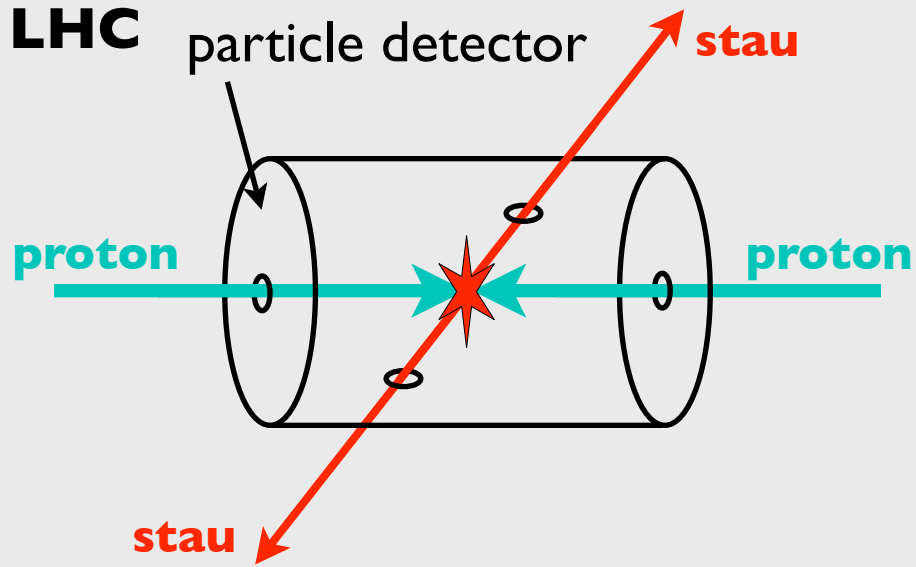
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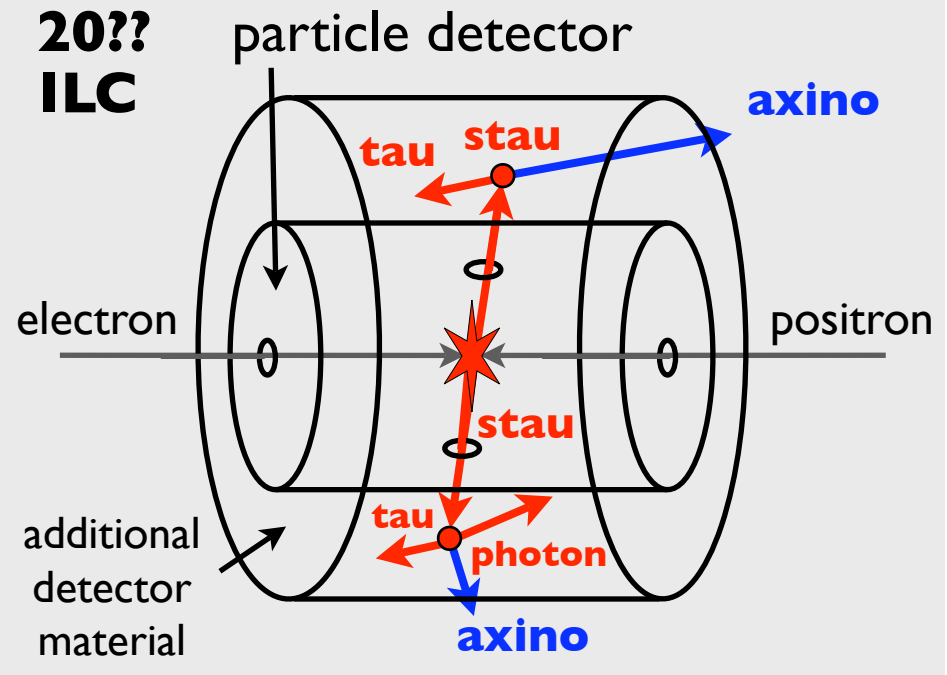
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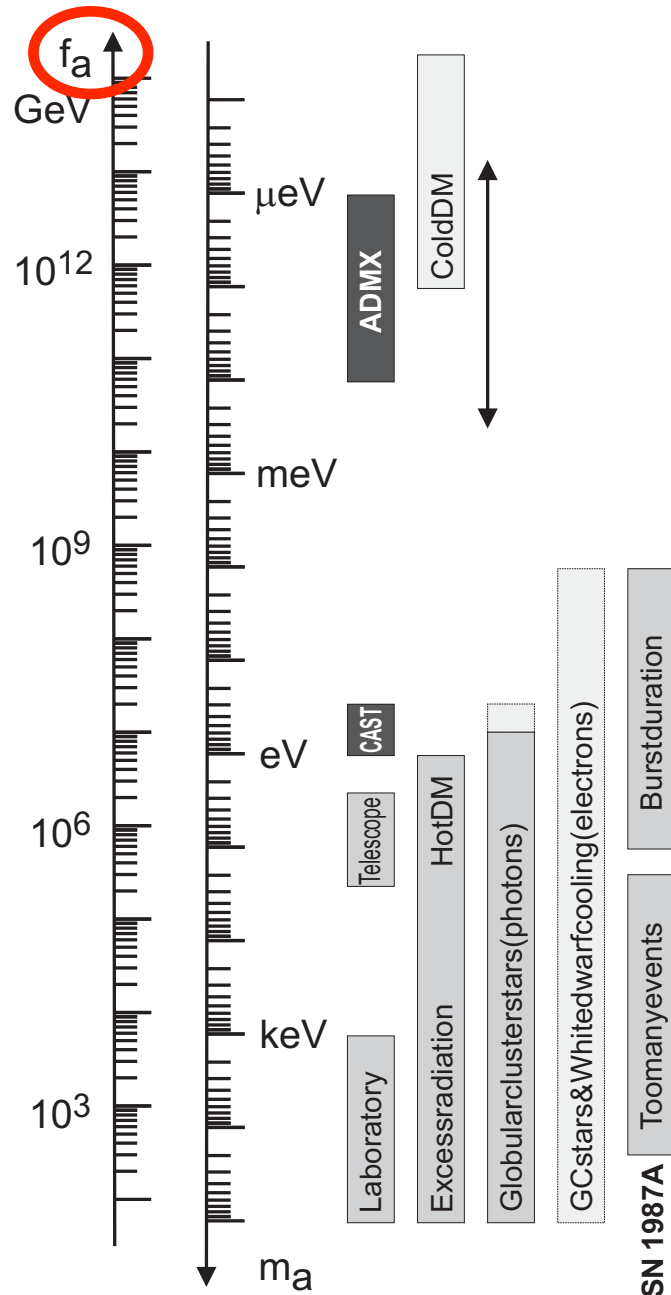
**20??  
ILC**



## Probing $f_a$ @ Colliders

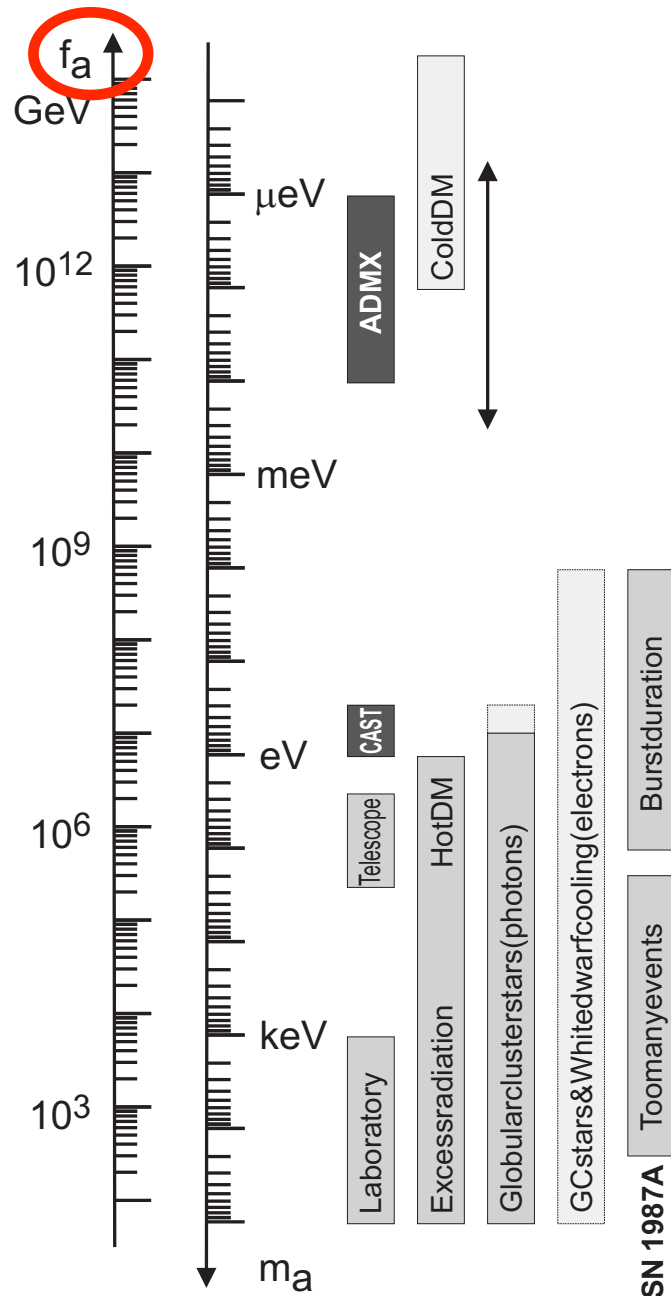
[Brandenburg et al., '05]

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**Is the value of the Peccei-Quinn scale inferred from axino searches consistent with astrophysical axion bounds and results from axion searches?**

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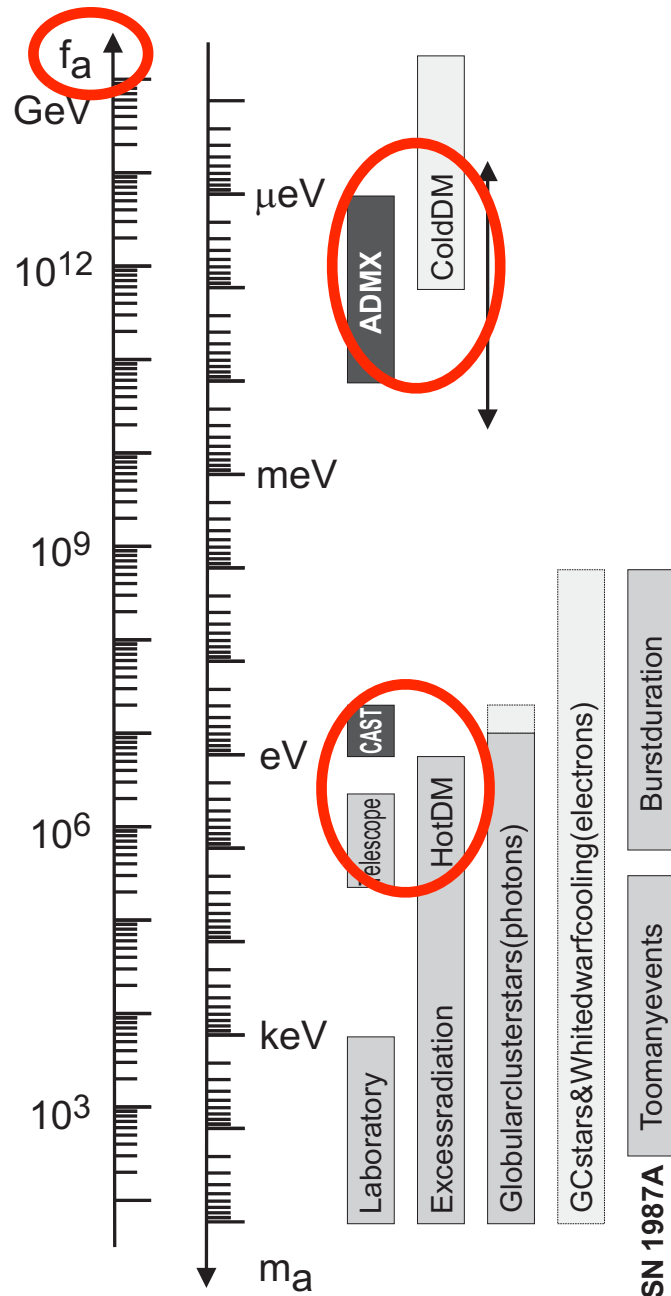


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**Axion DM & Axino DM  
might coexist!**

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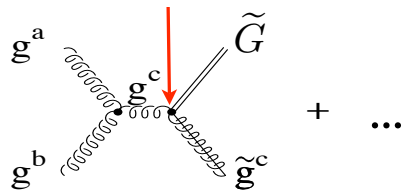
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Thermal Gravitino Production



inflation

radiation dominated

mat. dom.

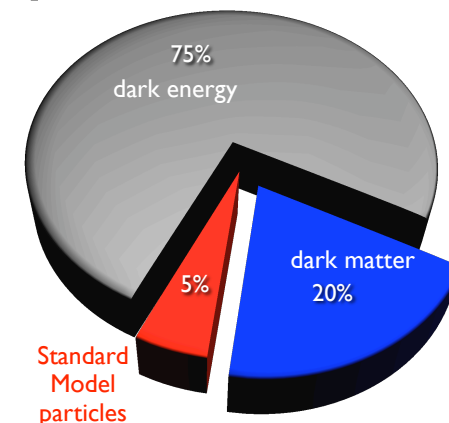
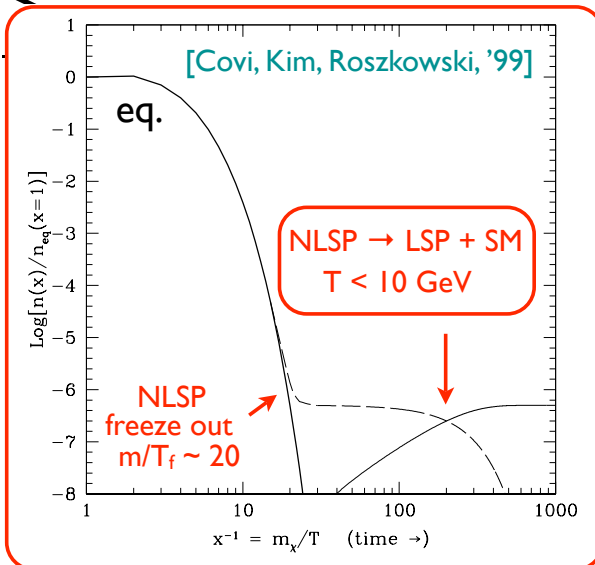
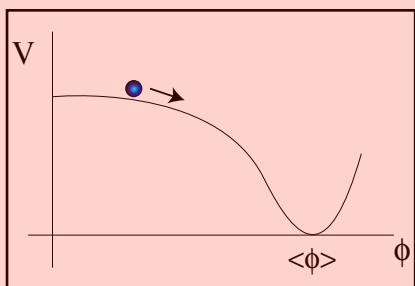
$\Lambda$  dom.

$$\rho_{\text{rad}} \propto a^{-4}$$

$$\rho_{\text{mat}} \propto a^{-3}$$

$$\rho_{\Lambda} \propto a^0$$

slow roll  
reheat phase  
 $\rho_{\phi} \propto a^0$



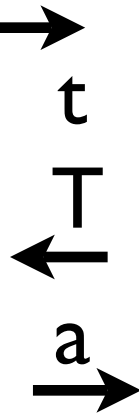
$T_R = ?$   
reheating temp.

10 GeV  
WIMP freeze out

1 MeV  
BBN  
CMB

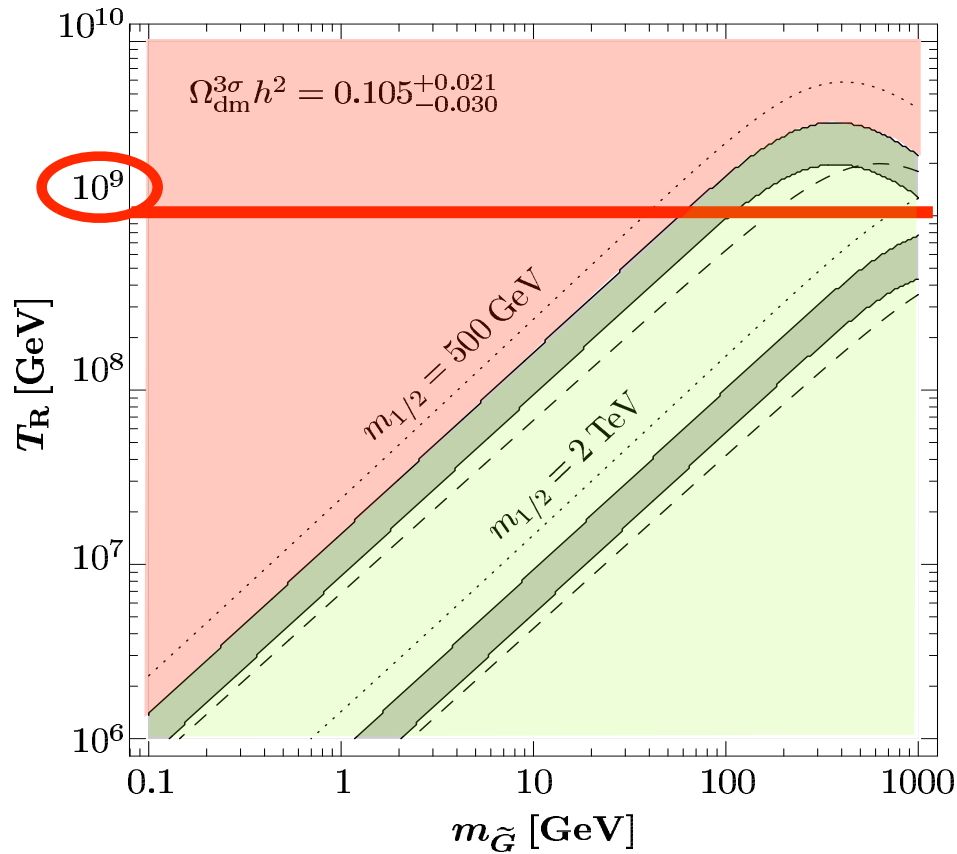
1 eV  
CMB

$t_0 = 14$  Gy  
 $T_0 = 2.73$  K  
LHC



# Gravitino LSP Case

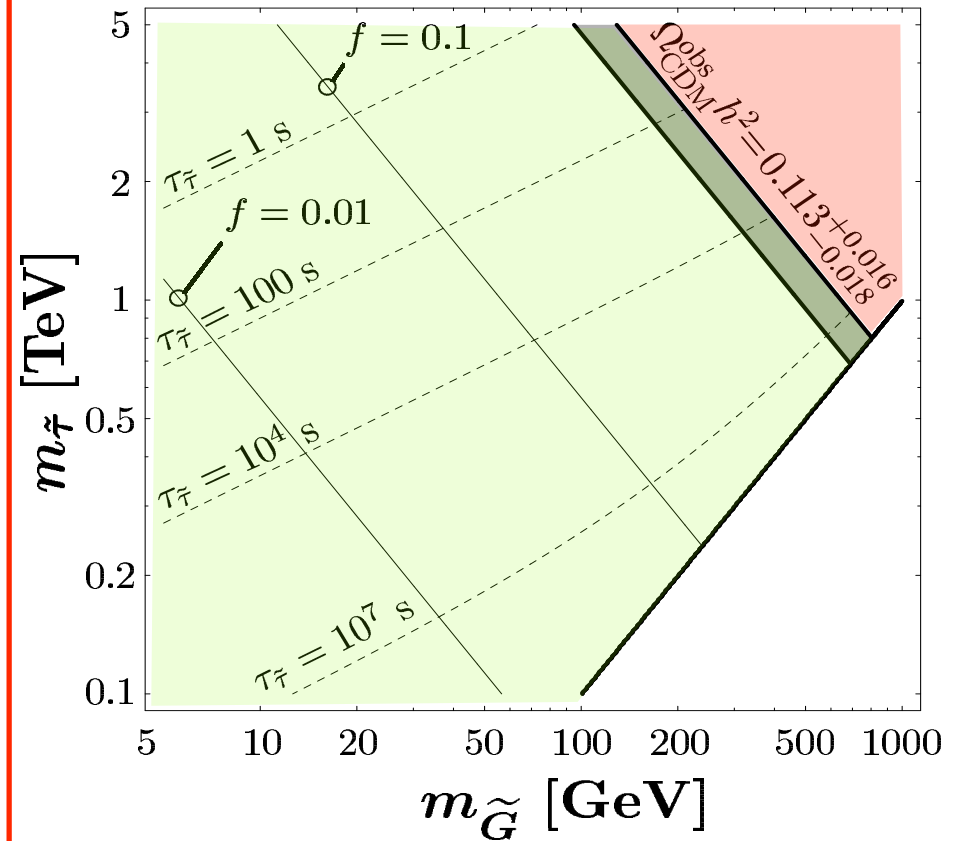
## Thermal $\tilde{G}$ Production



[Pradler, FDS, '07]

see also [Moroi, Murayama, Yamguchi, '93, Asaka, Hamaguchi, Suzuki, '00, Roszkowski et al., '05, Cerdeno et al., '06, FDS '06, Rychkov, Strumia, '07]

## $\tilde{\tau}$ NLSP $\rightarrow \tilde{G} + \tau$



[FDS '06]

see also [Borgani, Masiero, Yamguchi, '96, Asaka, Hamaguchi, Suzuki, '00, Ellis et al., '04, Feng, Su, Takayama, '04]



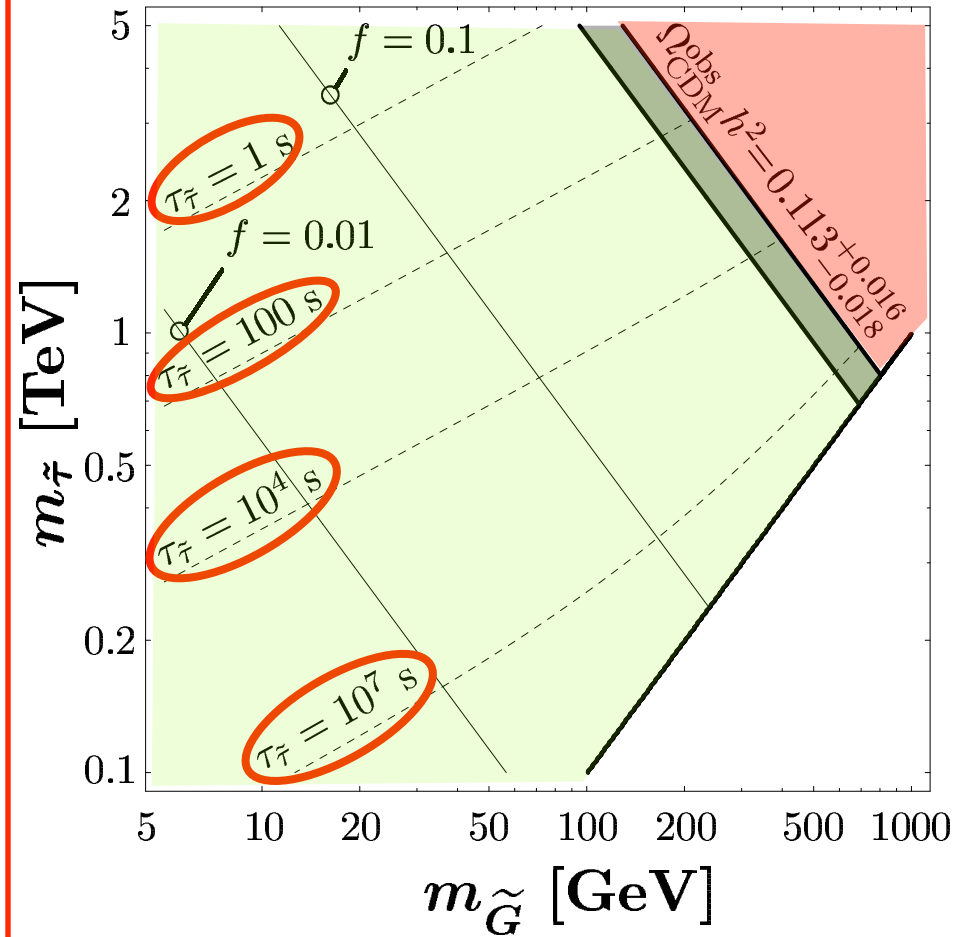
# Probing gravitinos experimentally ???



**If we are lucky ...**

**long-lived NLSP**

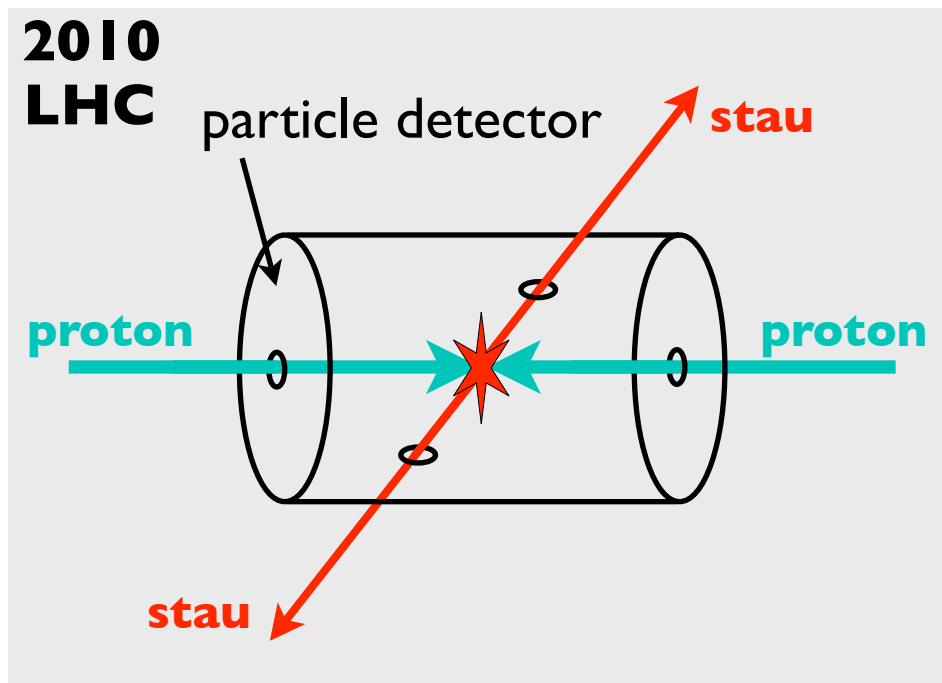
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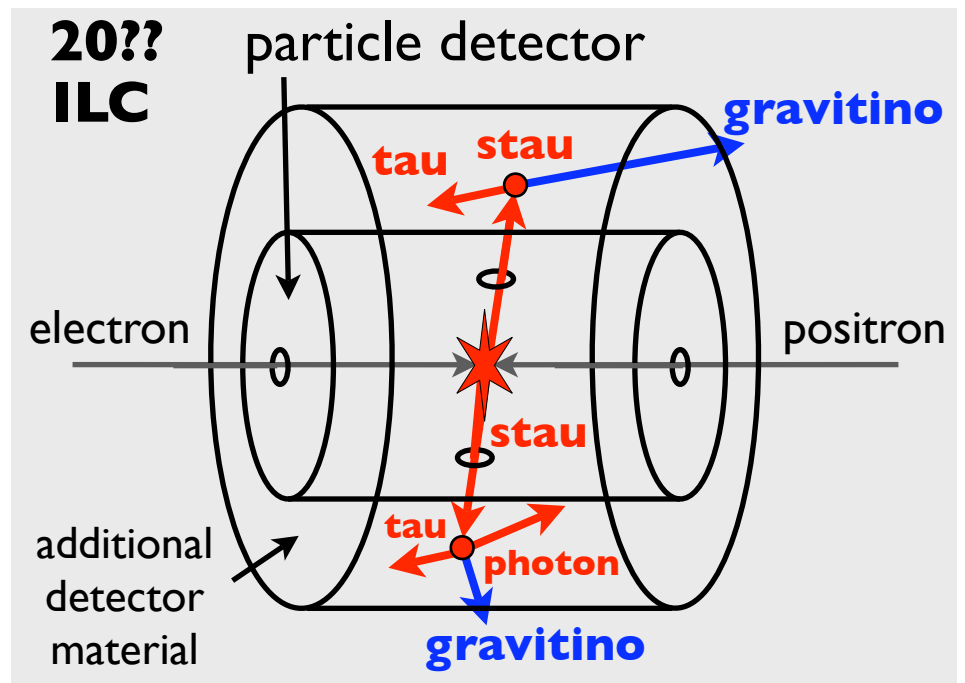
# Signatures of Gravitinos in Experiments

- Direct Detection of  $\tilde{G}$
- Direct Production of  $\tilde{G}$

## \* “stable” charged sparticles



## \* long-lived charged sparticles

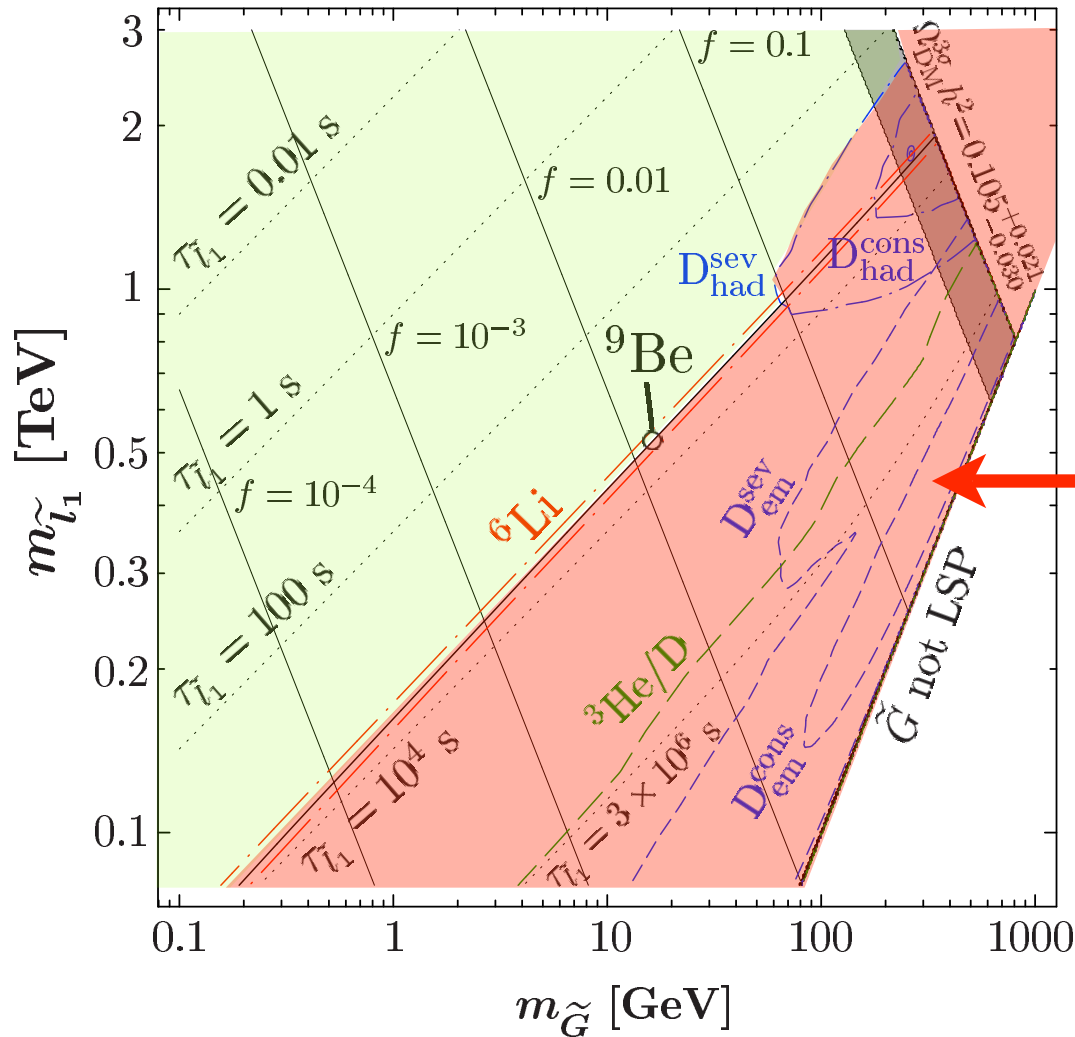


[... ; Buchmüller et al., '04; Hamaguchi et al., '04; Feng, Smith, '05; Martyn, '06; ...]

# Gravitino LSP Case with a Charged Slepton NLSP

## (C)BBN Constraints

[Pospelov, Pradler, FDS, '08]



**disfavored  
by  
cosmological  
constraints**

see also  
[FDS, hep-ph/0611027]

# Summary - Well-motivated DM Candidates

| candidate              | identity  | mass                   | interactions   | production                        | constraints  | experiments  |
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candidate identity mass interactions production constraints experiments

For a review (including an extensive list of references),

see

[FDS, *Dark Matter Candidates*, Eur. Phys. J. C59 (2009) 557, arXiv:0811.3347]

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still viable

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| $\tilde{G}$ LSP        | gravitino<br>(spin 3/2)<br>superpartner<br>of the graviton  | eV–TeV                 | $(p/M_P)^n$<br>extremely weak<br>$M_P = 2.4 \times 10^{18}$ GeV  | therm. prod.<br>NLSP decay        | $\leftarrow$ cold<br>$\leftarrow$ warm<br><br>BBN          | $\tilde{\tau}_1$ prod. at colliders<br>+ $\tilde{\tau}_1$ collection<br>+ $\tilde{\tau}_1$ decay analysis<br>$\hookrightarrow m_{\tilde{G}}, M_P$ (?), $T_R$                |
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# Scenario 3 - EWIP DM (+ Axion DM)

| candidate              | identity  | mass                   | interactions   | production                            | constraints  | experiments  |
|------------------------|---|------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| $a$                    | axion<br>(spin 0)<br>N.-Goldst. boson<br>PQ symm. break.  | $< 0.01$ eV            | $(p/f_a)^n$<br>extremely weak<br>$f_a \gtrsim 6 \times 10^8$ GeV     | misalign. mech.                       | $\leftarrow$ cold<br><br>CMB                                   | direct searches with<br>microwave cavities<br><br>$\hookrightarrow m_a, f_a, g_{a\gamma\gamma}$  |
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| $\tilde{G}$ LSP        | gravitino<br>(spin 3/2)<br>superpartner<br>of the graviton  | eV–TeV                 | $(p/M_P)^n$<br>extremely weak<br>$M_P = 2.4 \times 10^{18}$ GeV  | therm. prod.<br>NLSP decay        | $\leftarrow$ cold<br><br>$\leftarrow$ warm<br><br>BBN          | $\tilde{\tau}_1$ prod. at colliders<br>+ $\tilde{\tau}_1$ collection<br>+ $\tilde{\tau}_1$ decay analysis<br>$\hookrightarrow m_{\tilde{G}}, M_P$ (?), $T_R$                   |
| $\tilde{a}$ LSP        | axino<br>(spin 1/2)<br>superpartner<br>of the axion   | eV–GeV                 | $(p/f_a)^n$<br>extremely weak<br>$f_a \gtrsim 6 \times 10^8$ GeV | therm. prod.<br>NLSP decay        | $\leftarrow$ cold/warm<br><br>$\leftarrow$ warm/hot<br><br>BBN | $\tilde{\tau}_1$ prod. at colliders<br>+ $\tilde{\tau}_1$ collection <b>events</b><br>+ $\tilde{\tau}_1$ decay analysis<br>$\hookrightarrow m_{\tilde{a}}$ (?), $f_a, T_R$ (?) |

**still viable**

# Conclusion

To clarify the (particle ?) identity of dark matter, it will be crucial to have experimental & obs. data from the many complementary approaches: direct, indirect & collider dm searches, BBN studies, ...