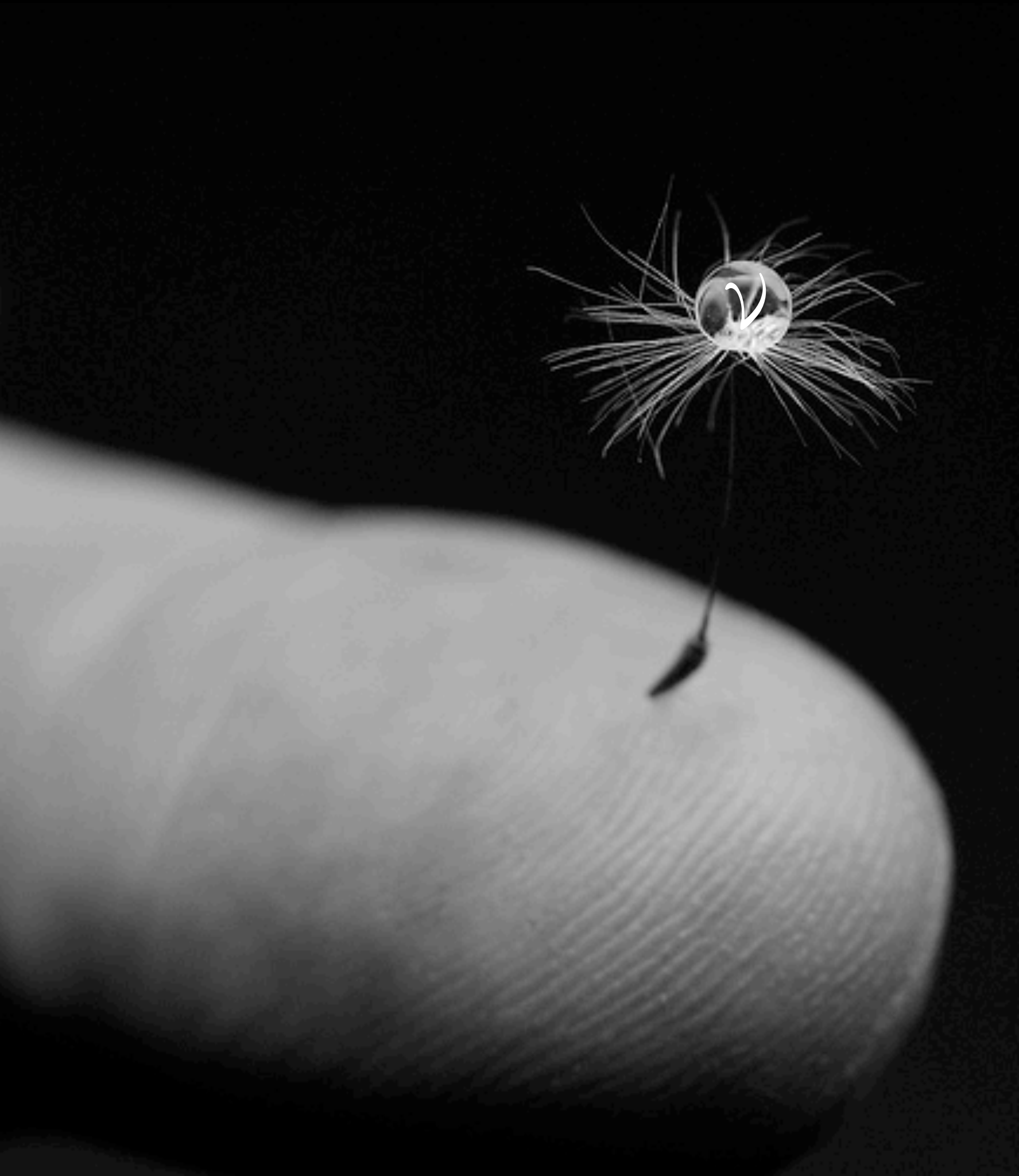


Weighing Neutrinos

APS “April” Meeting
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J.A. Formaggio
Massachusetts Institute of Technology



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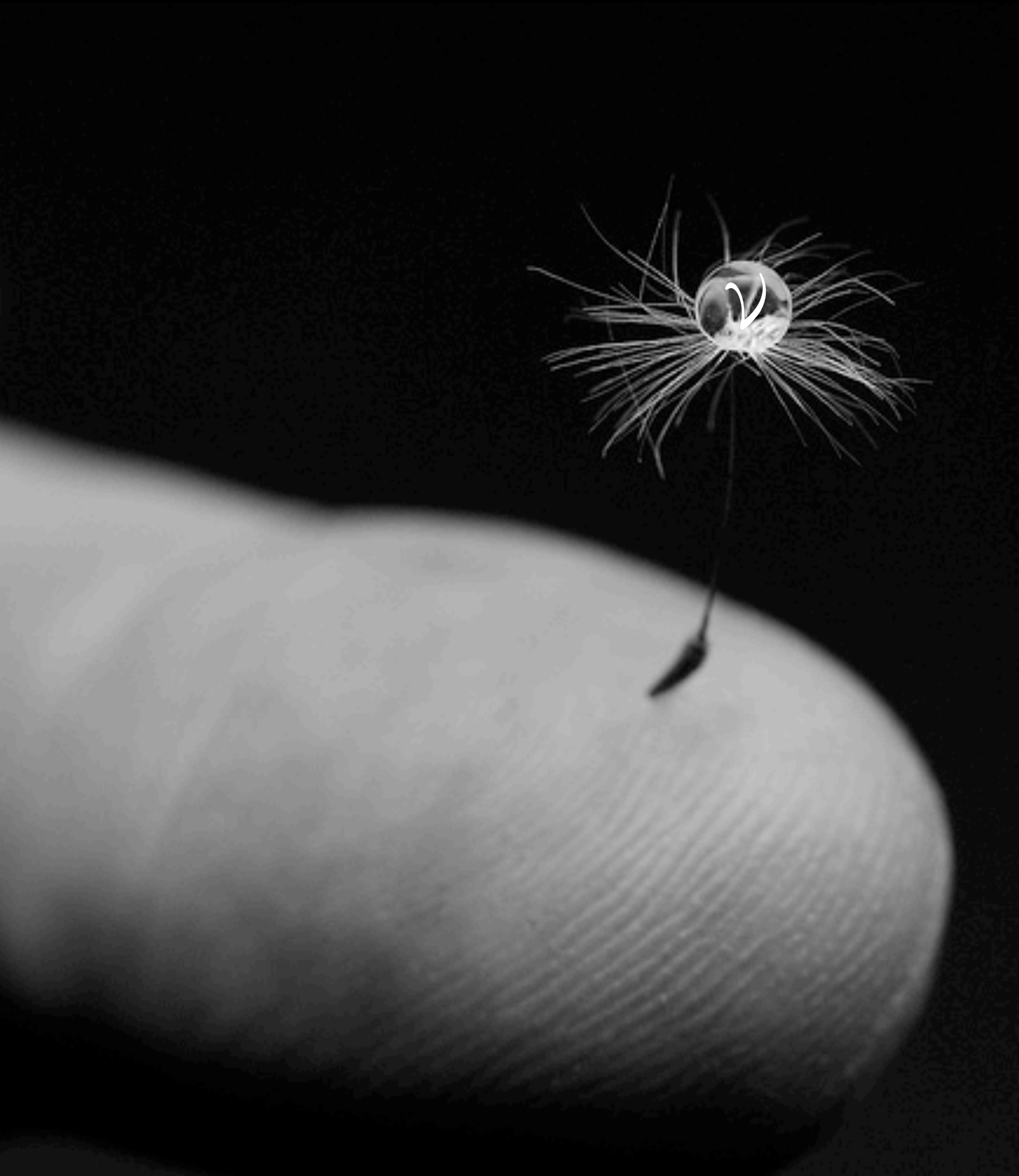
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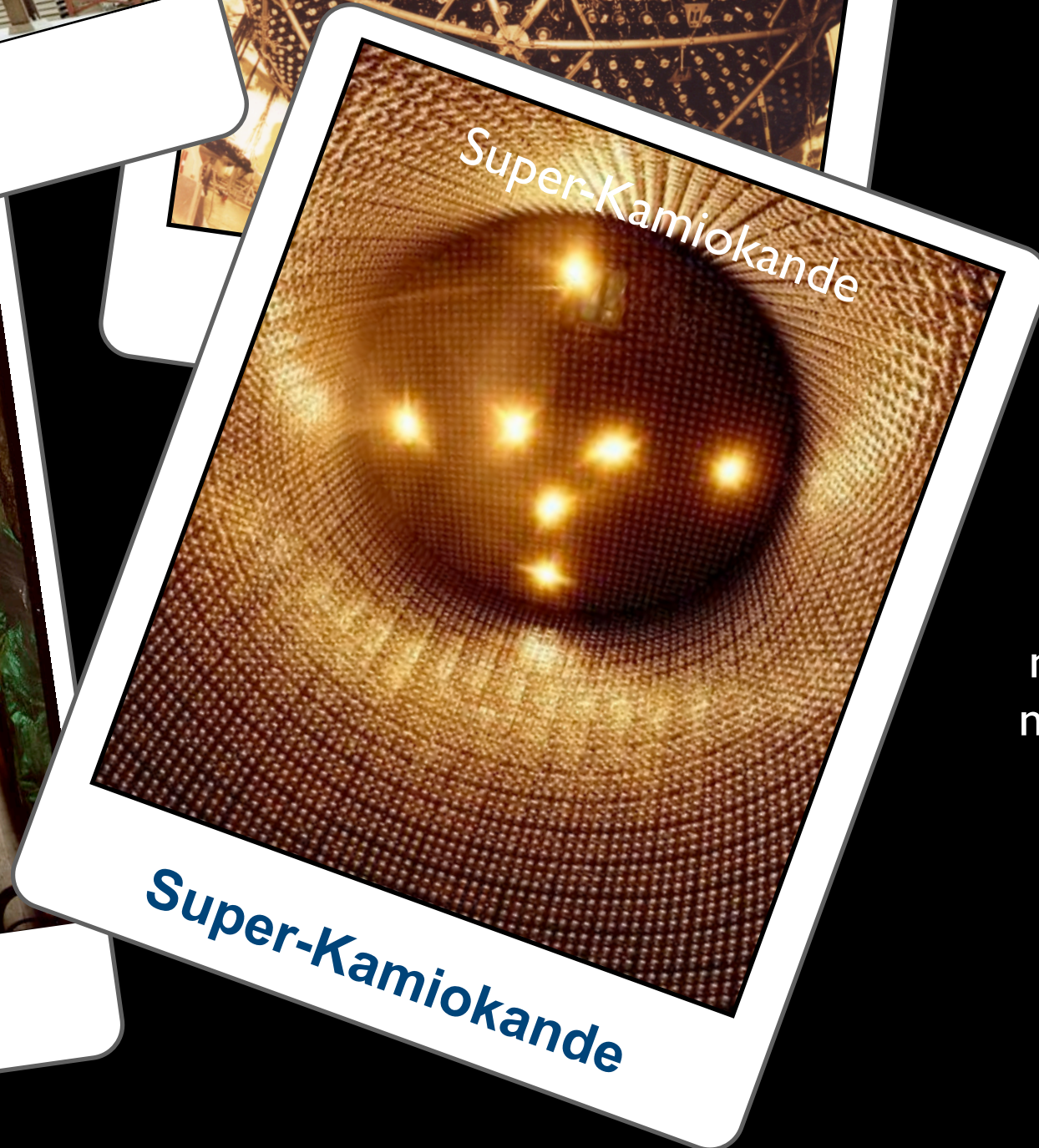
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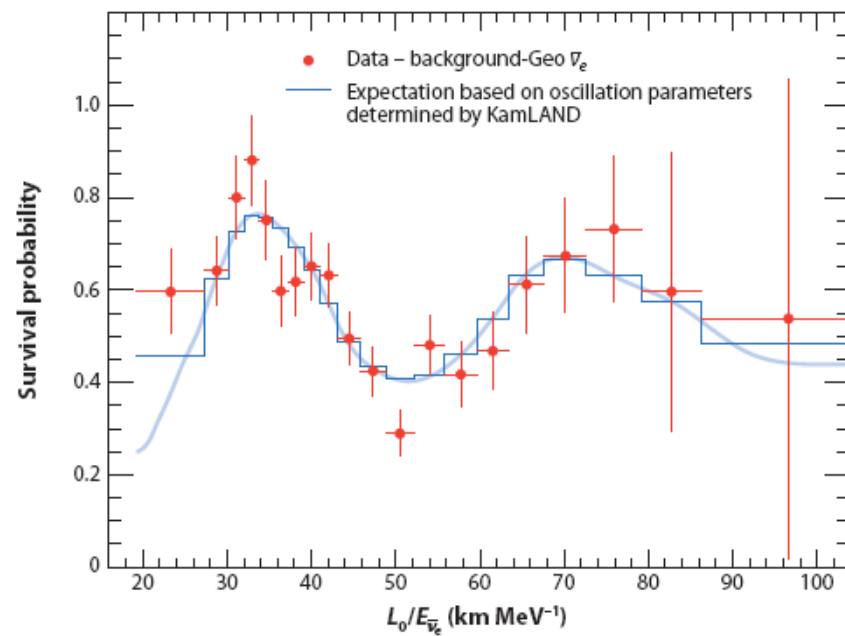
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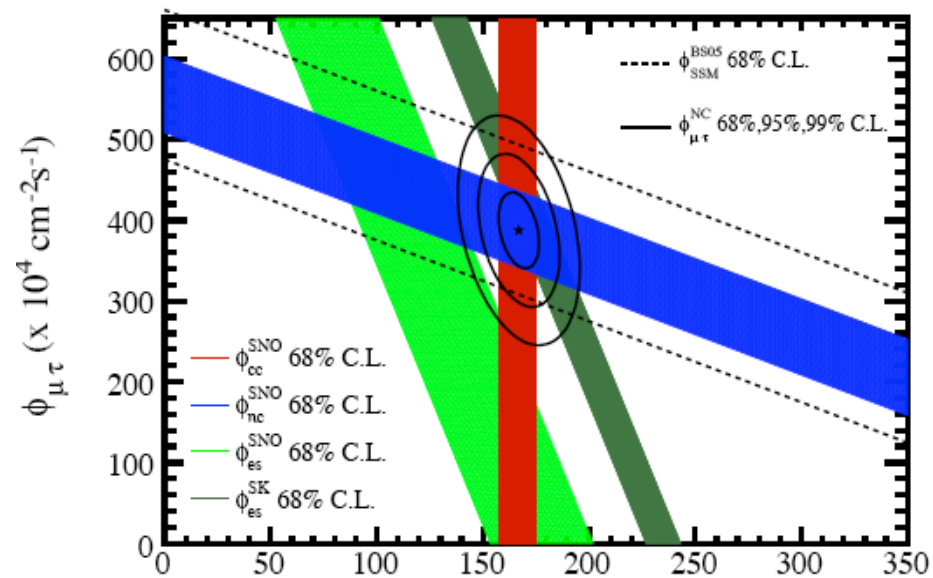


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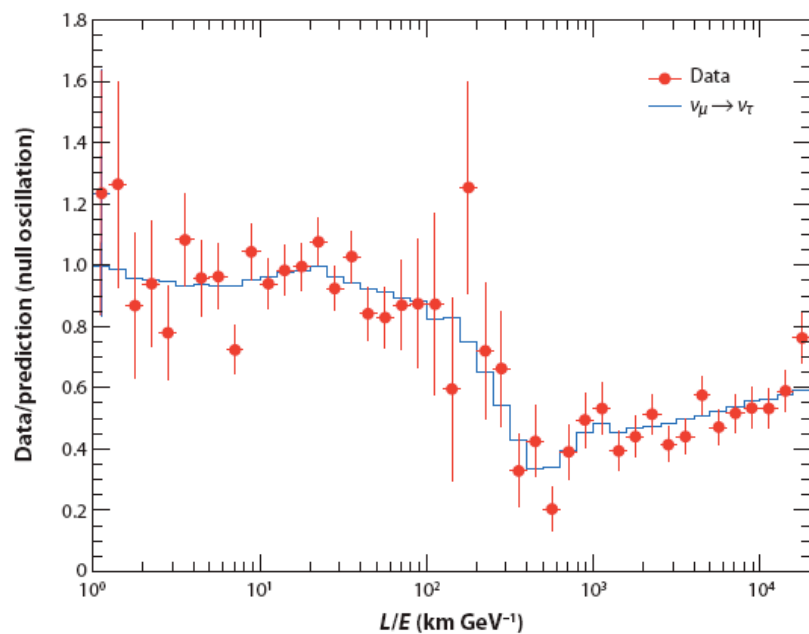
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Reactor



Solar



Atmospheric

Camilier, Lisi, Wilkerson Ann. Rev. 57 (2008).

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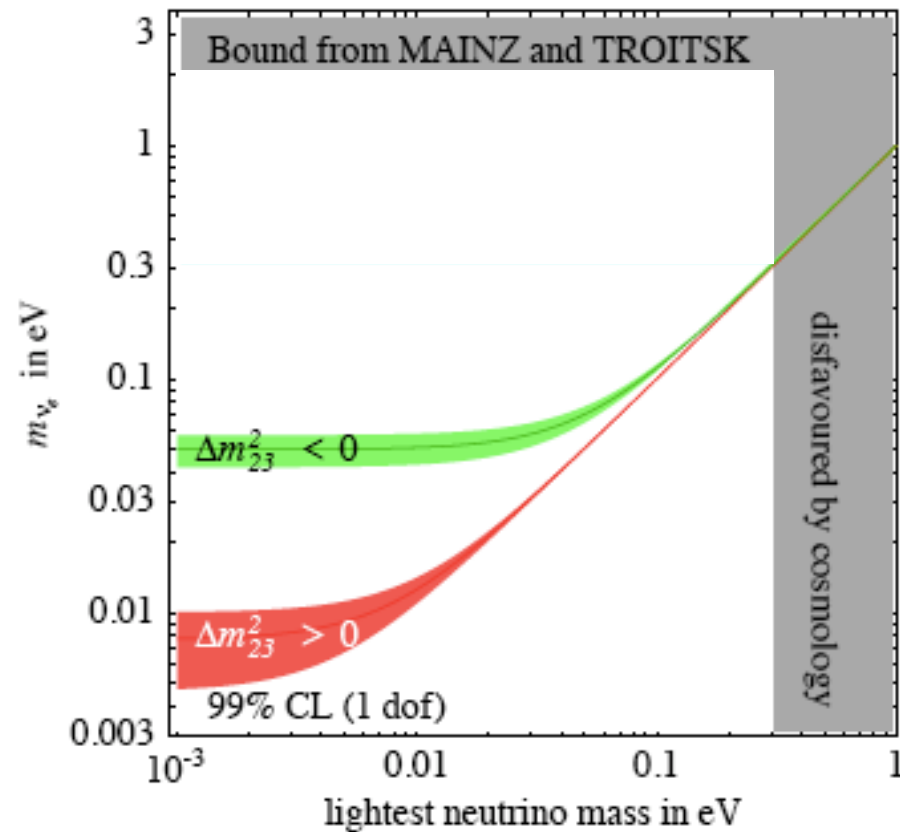
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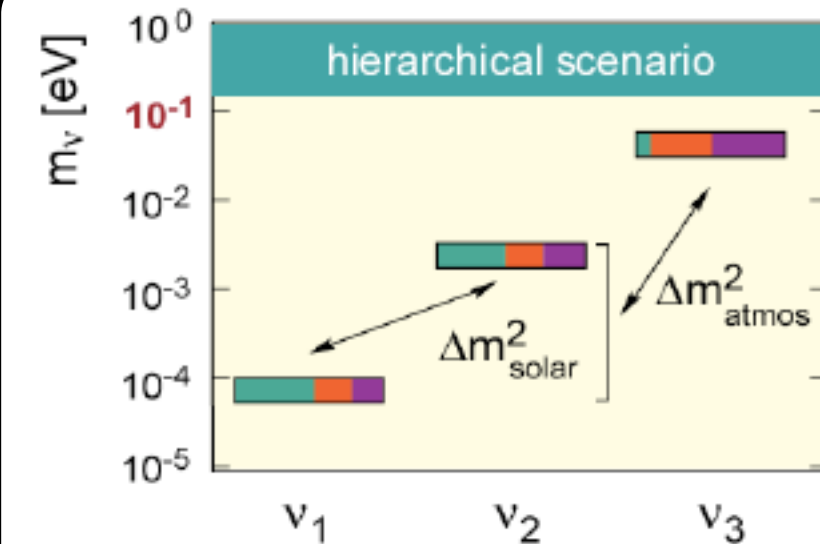
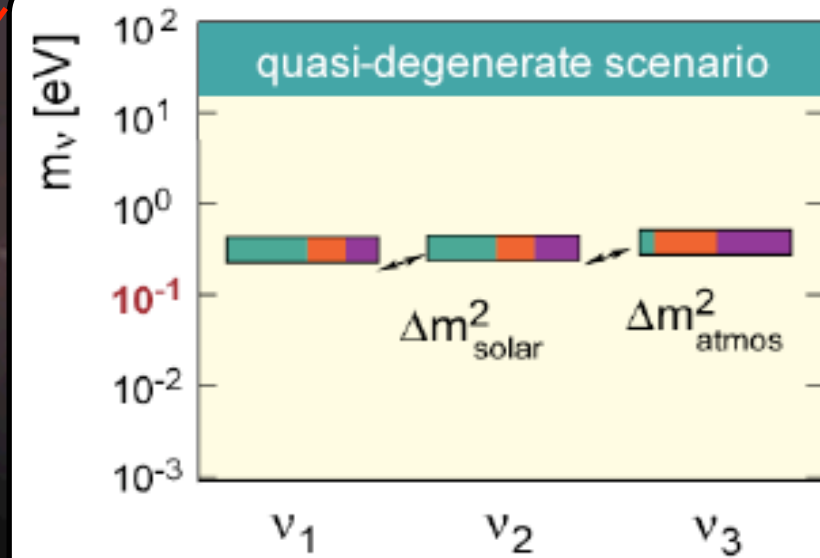
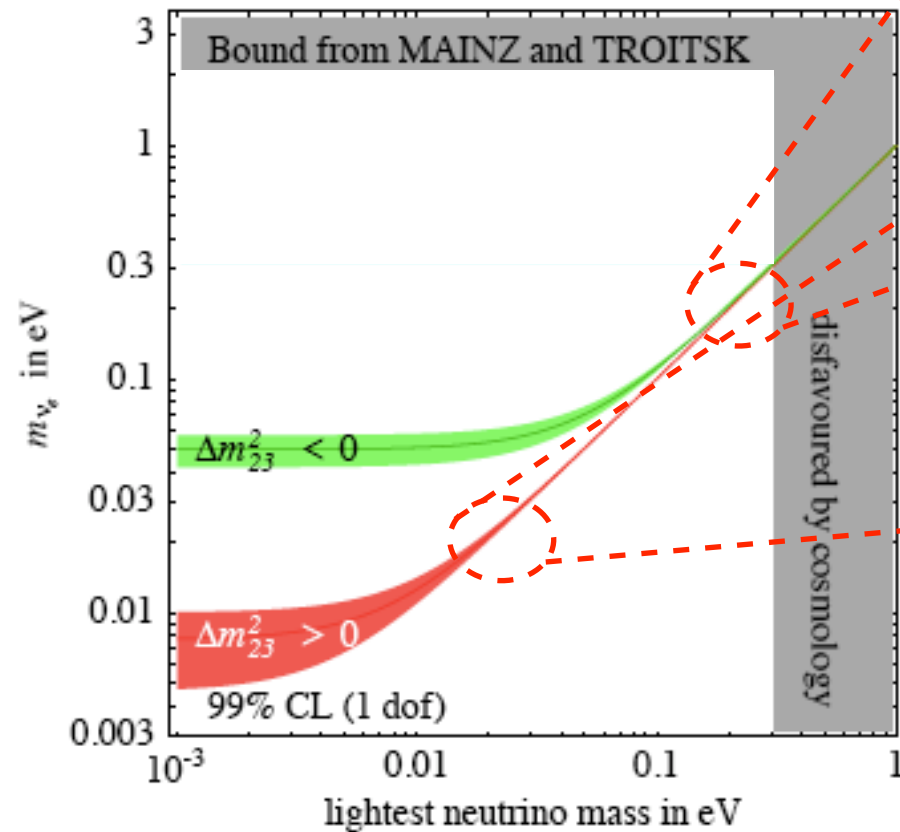
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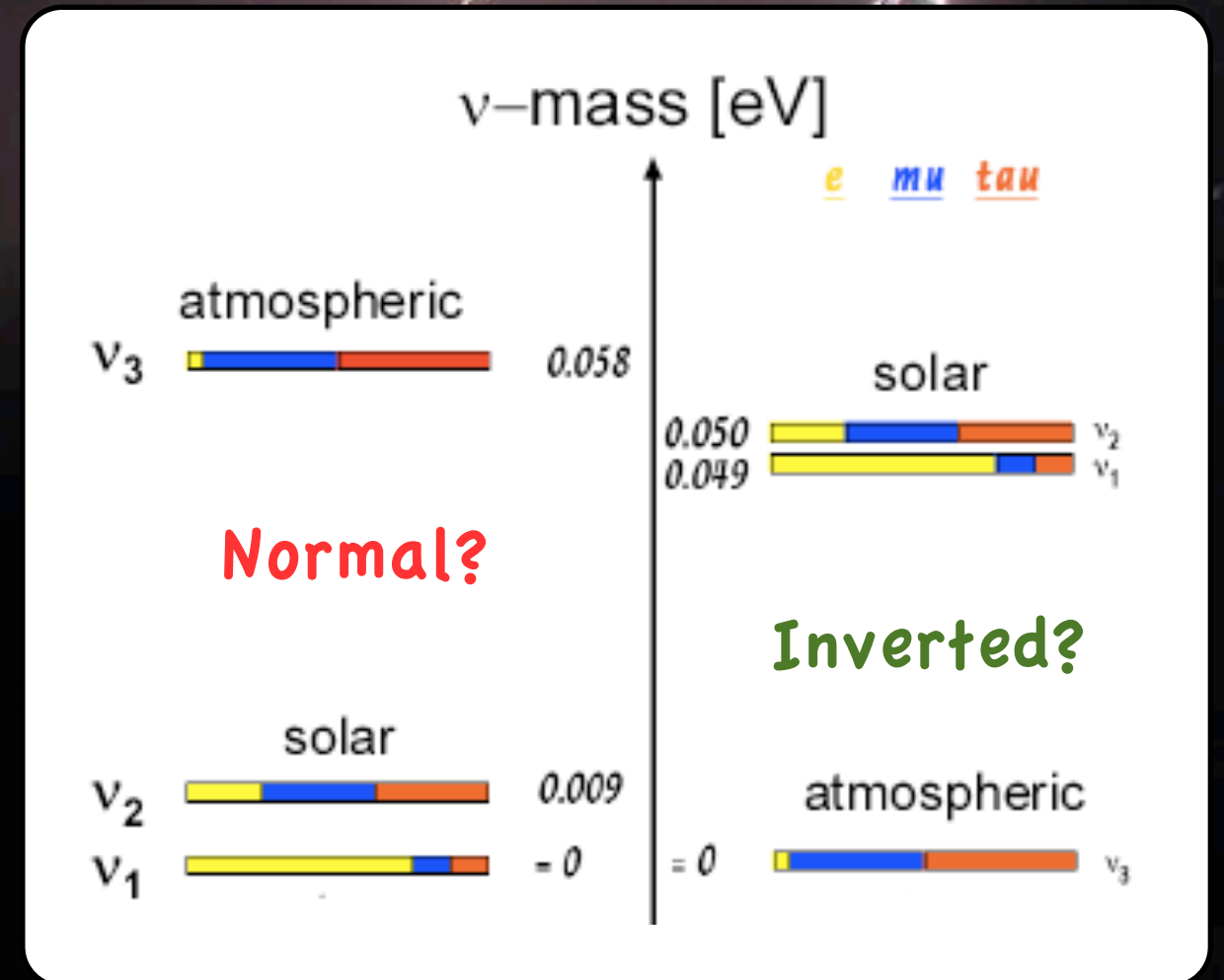
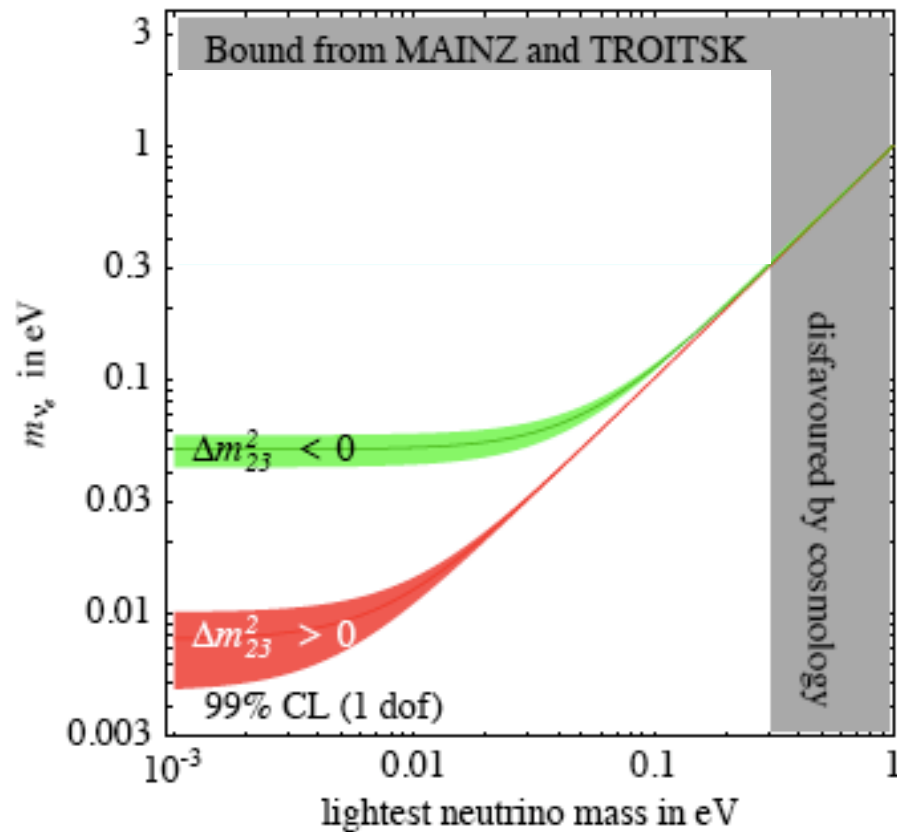
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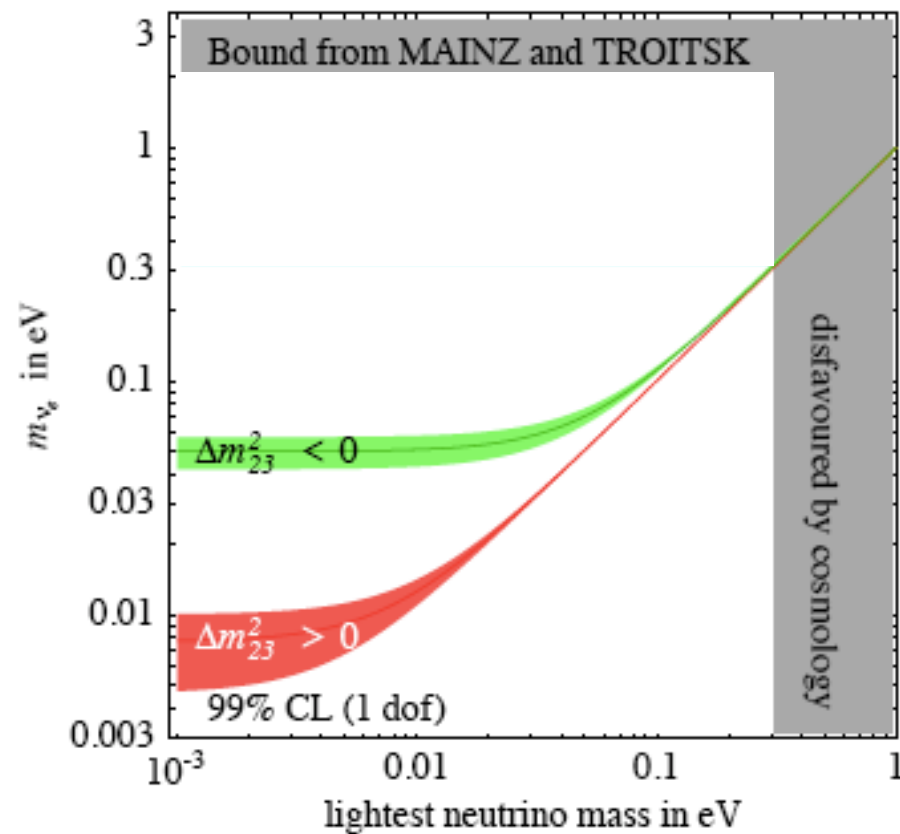
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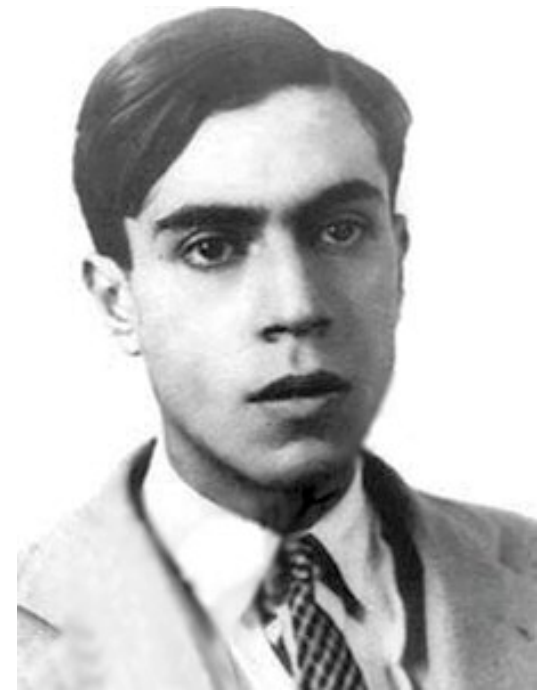
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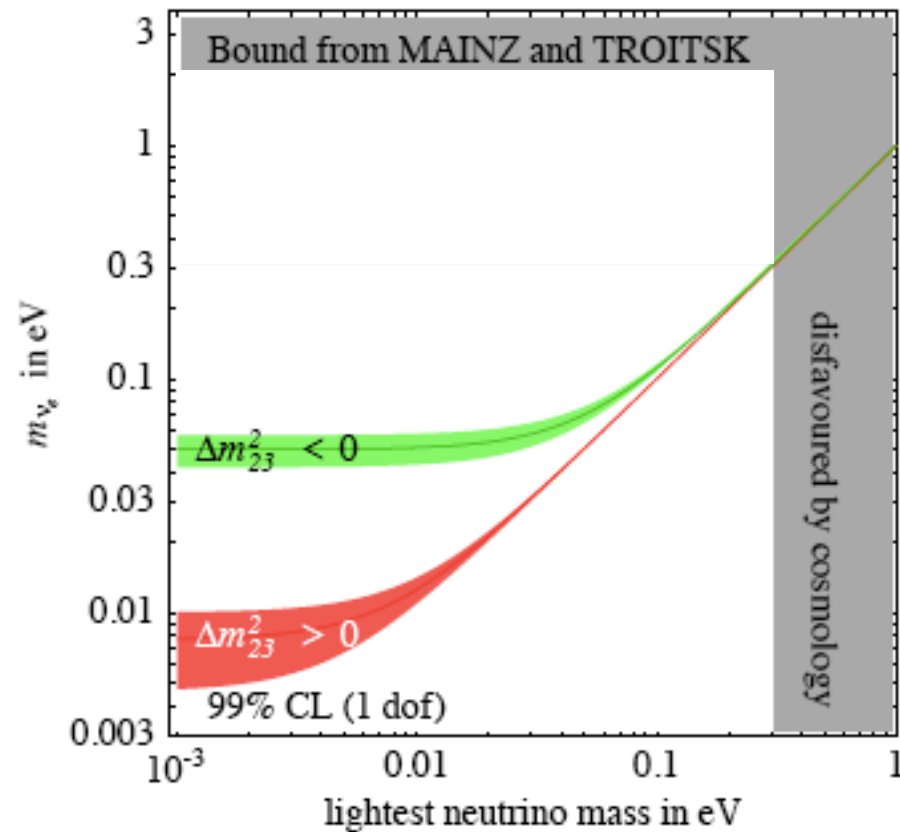


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Generally...
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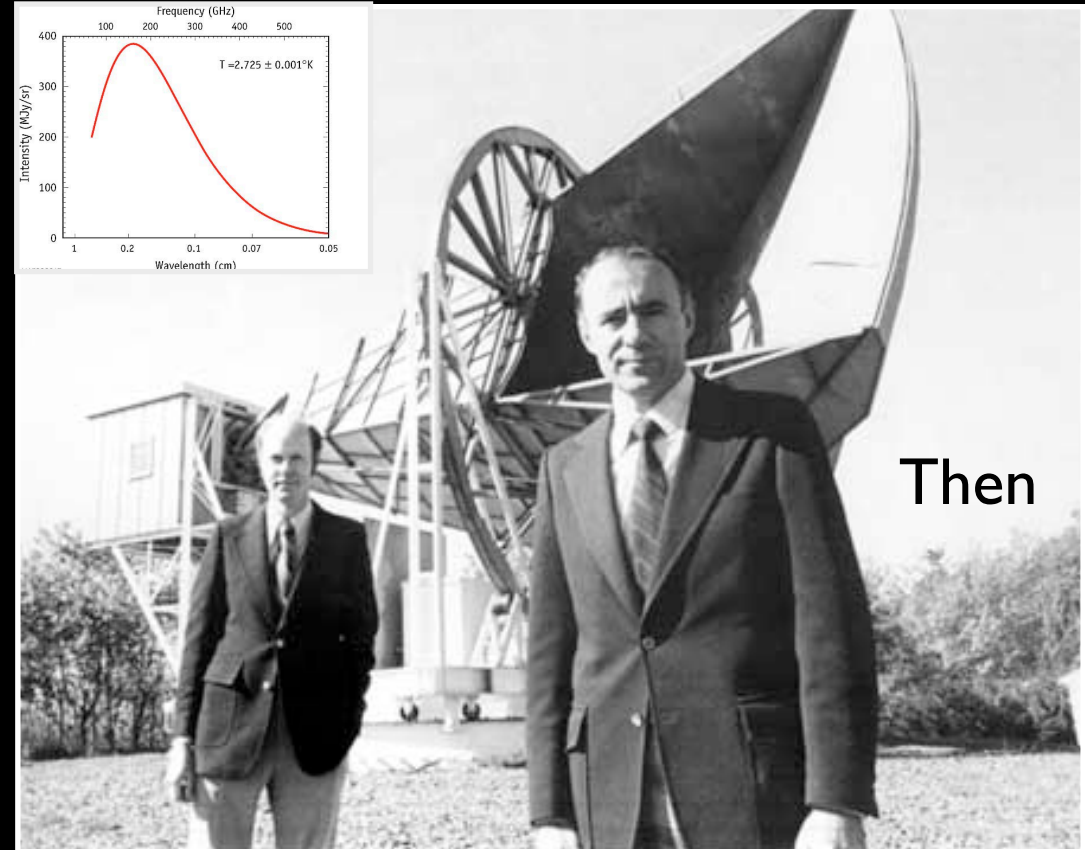
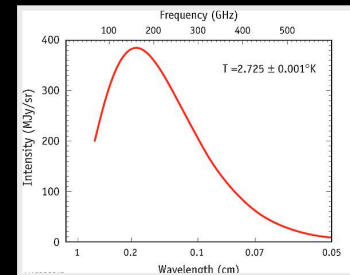
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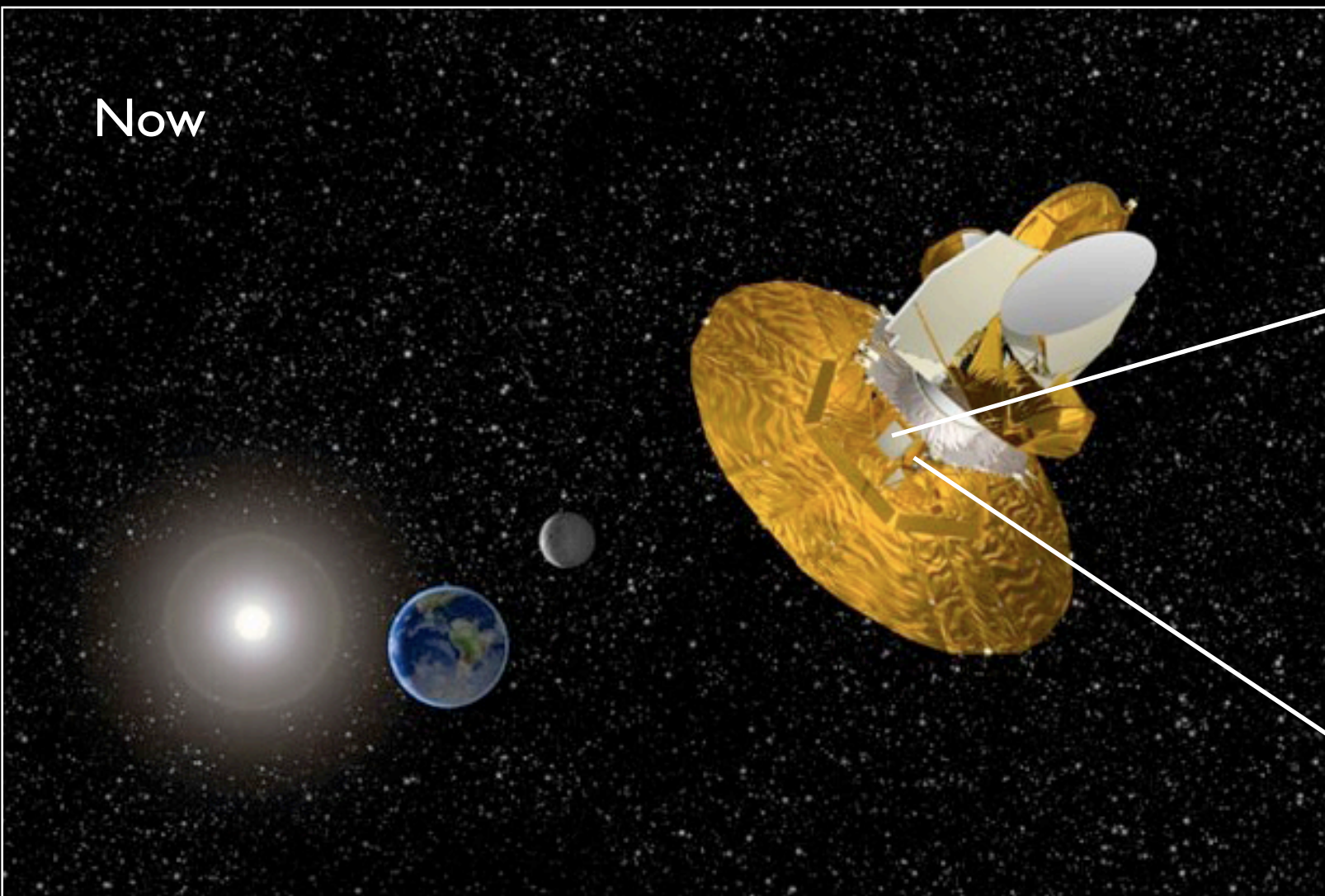
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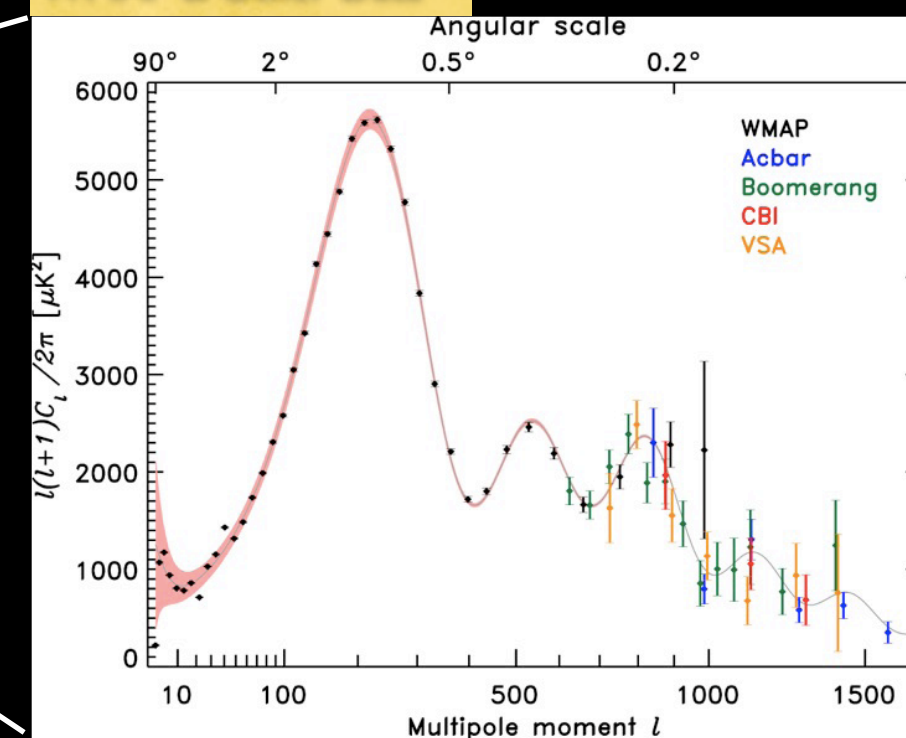
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Wilson and Penzias

Now

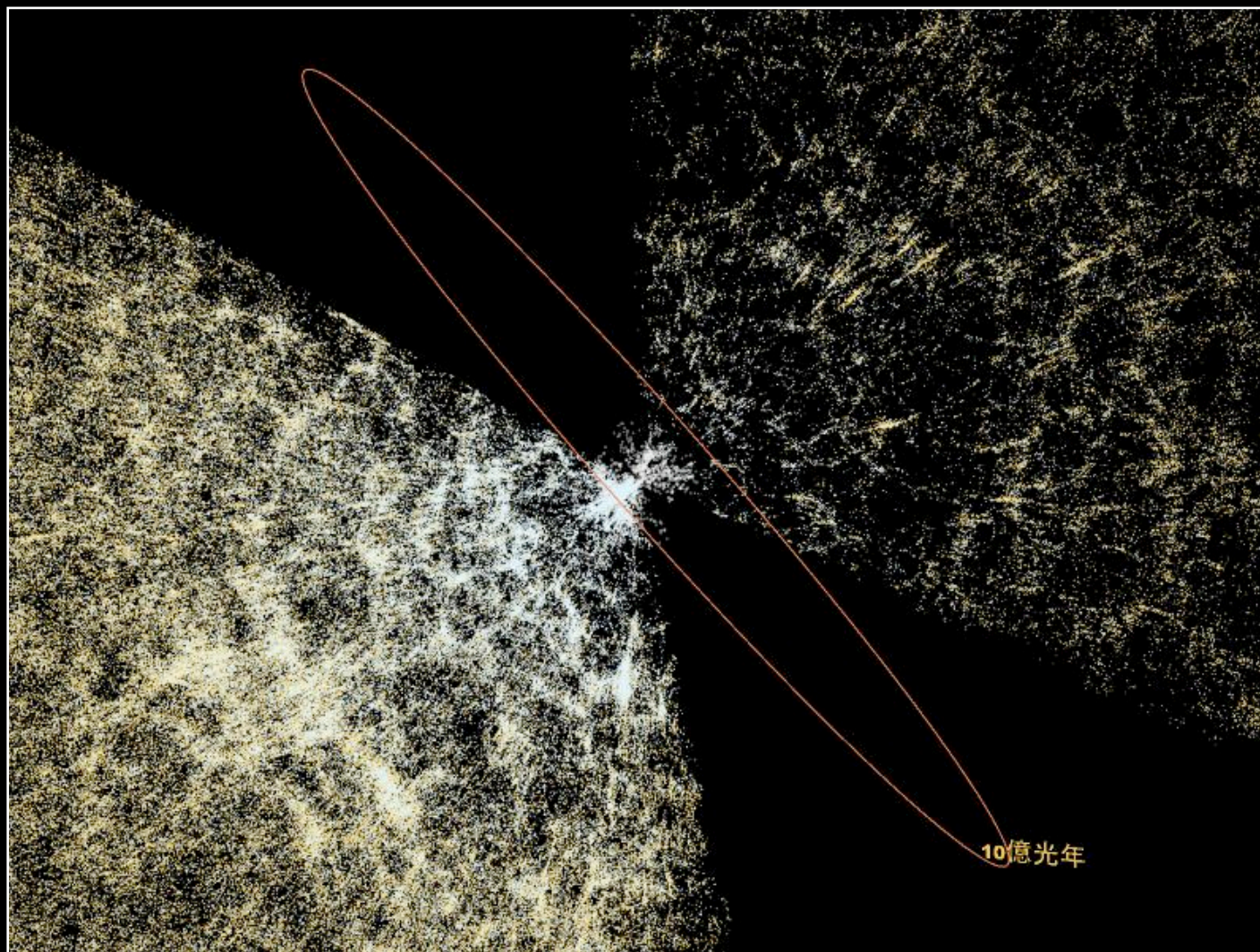


WMAP & Other Data



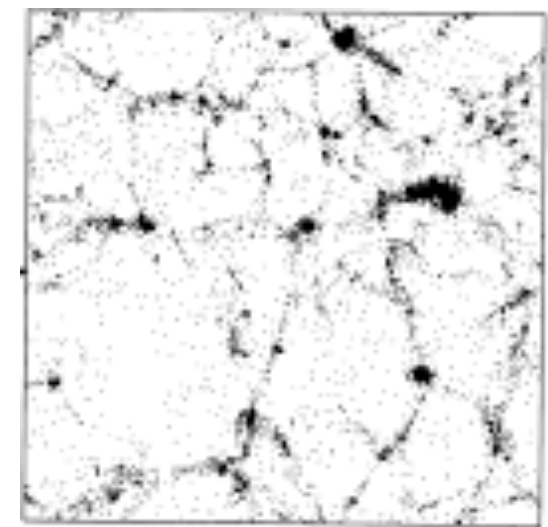
Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

- Cosmology looks at the *sum* of neutrino masses (their gravitational effect)

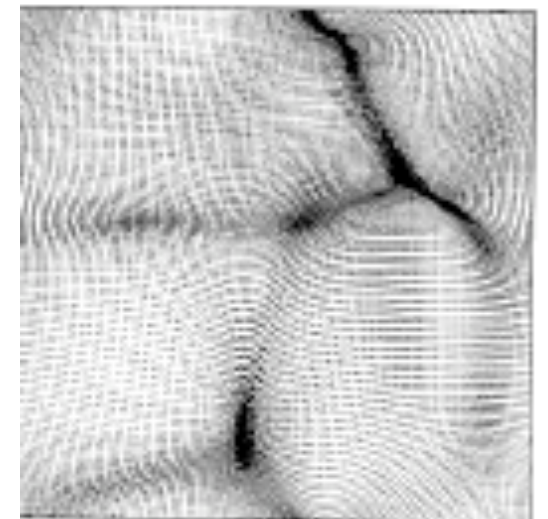
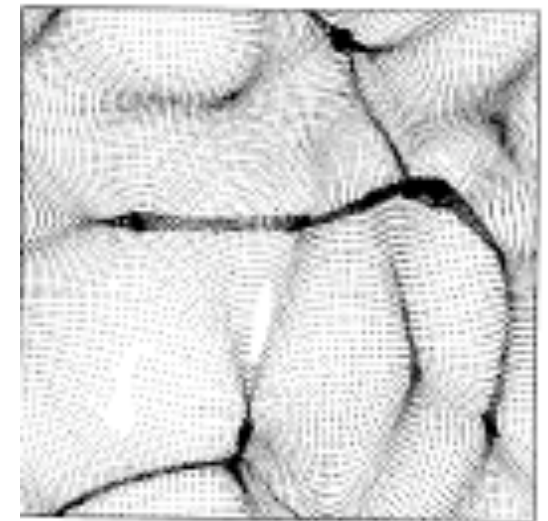


Large Scale Sctructure

Just cold dark matter



Cold dark matter with neutrino mass

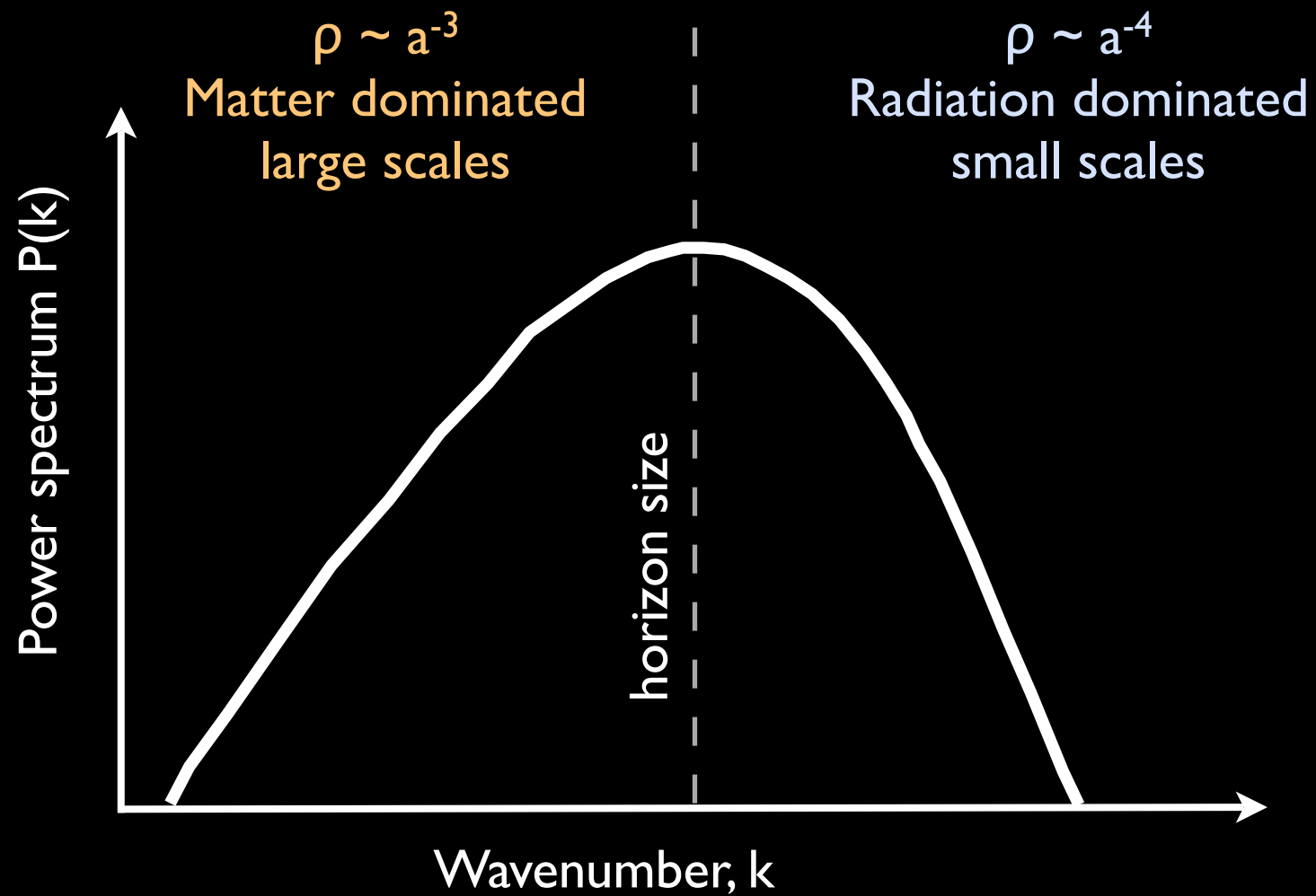


Colombi, Dodelson, & Widrow 1995

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The Strategy

(a naive view)

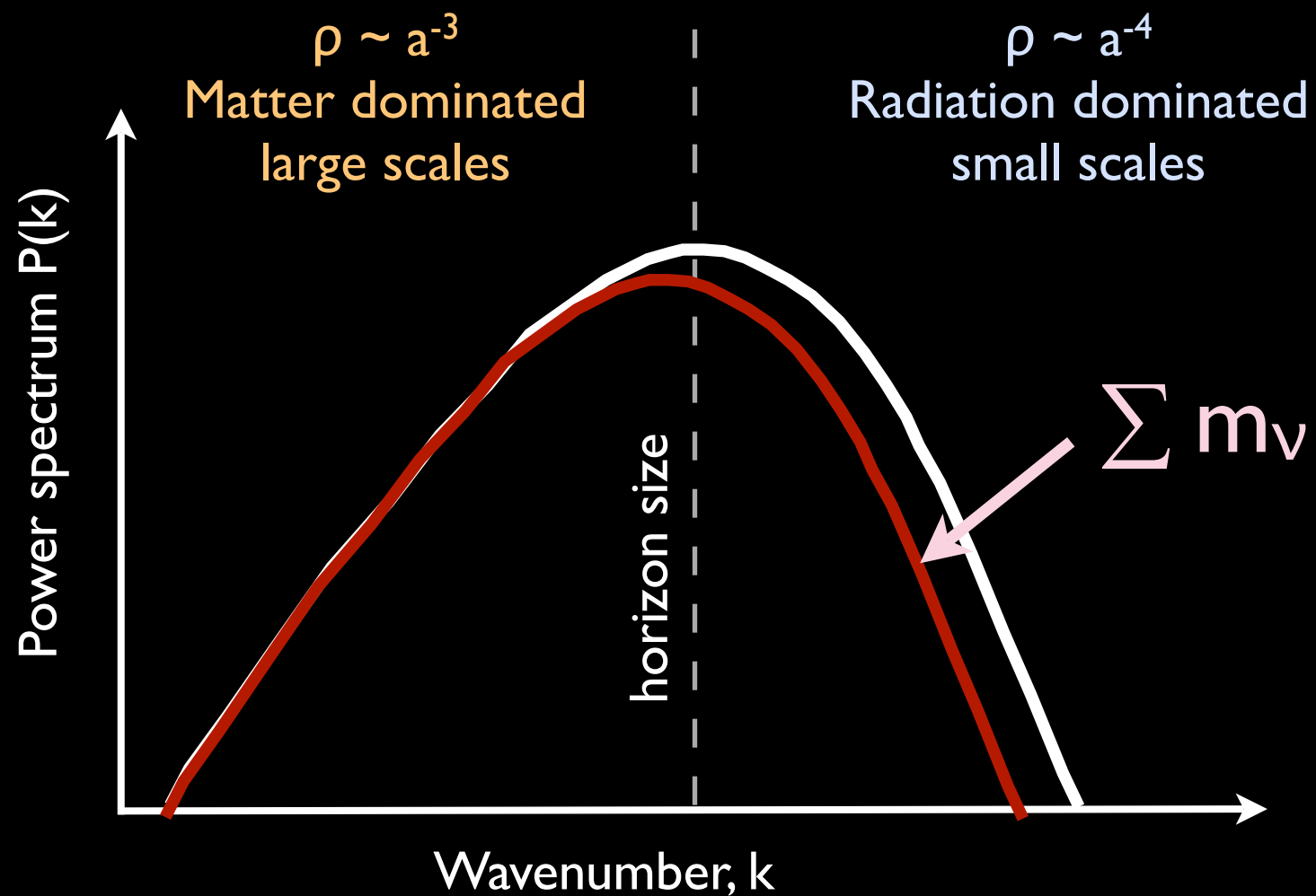


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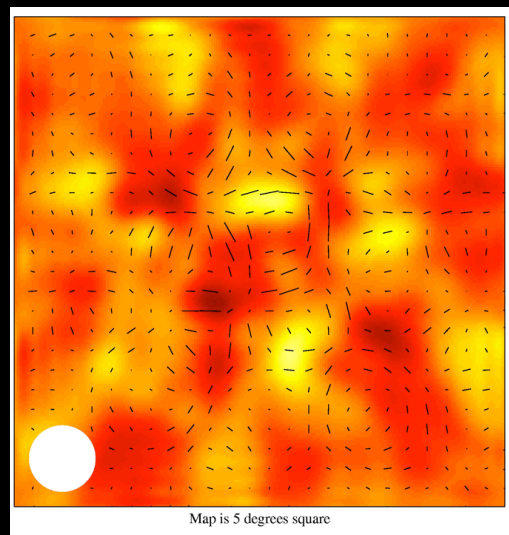
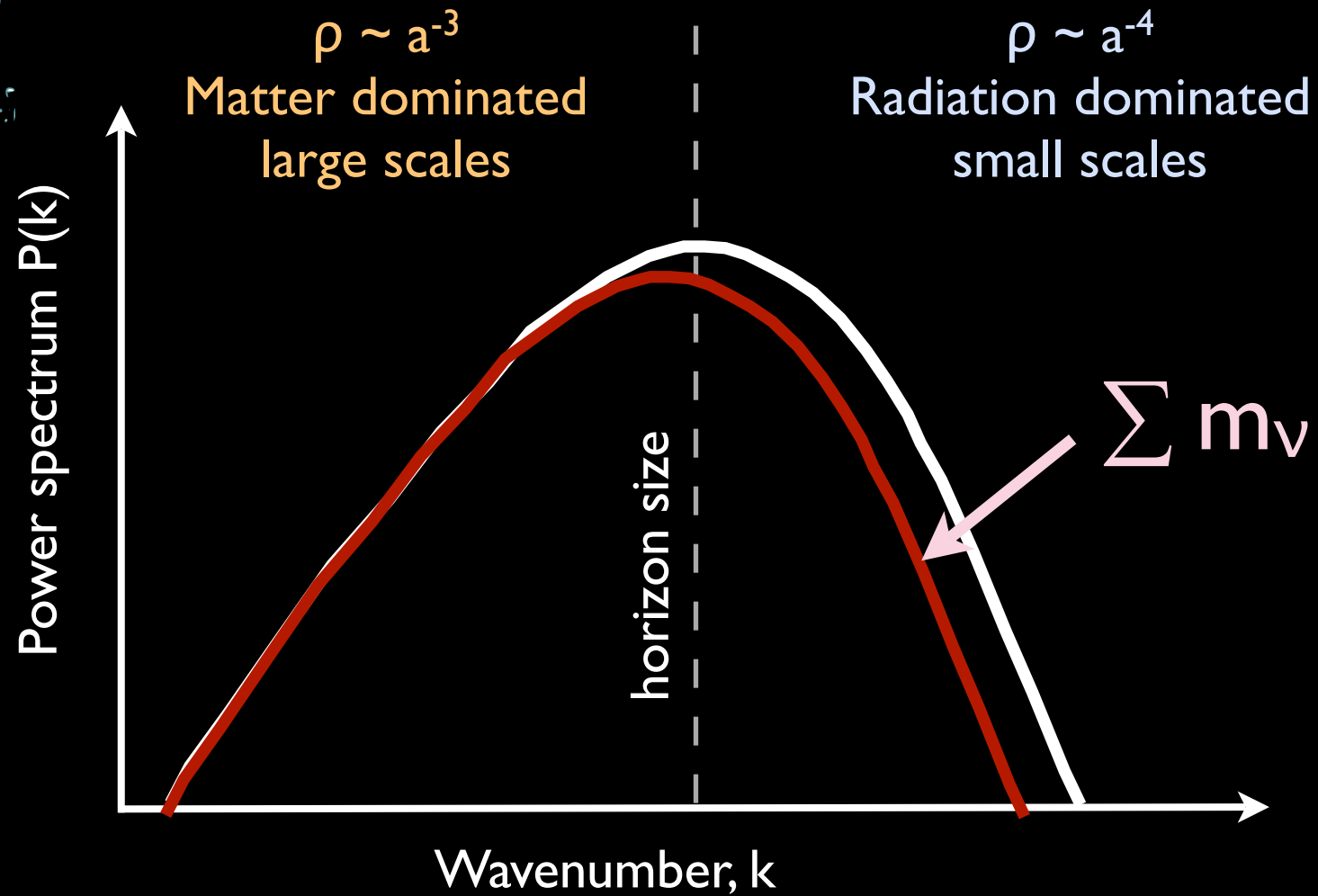
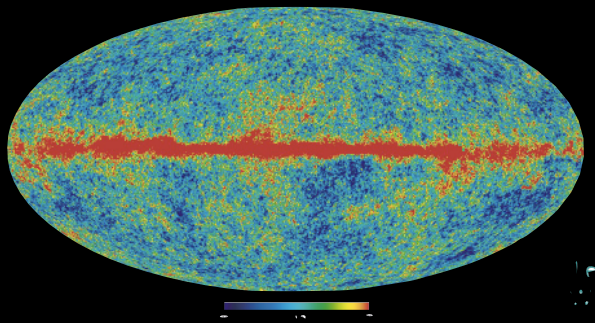


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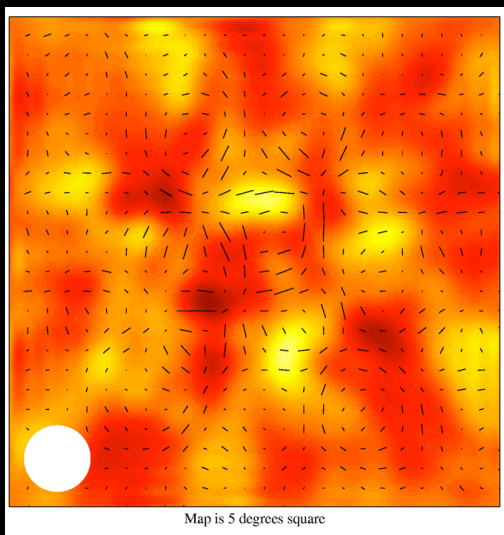
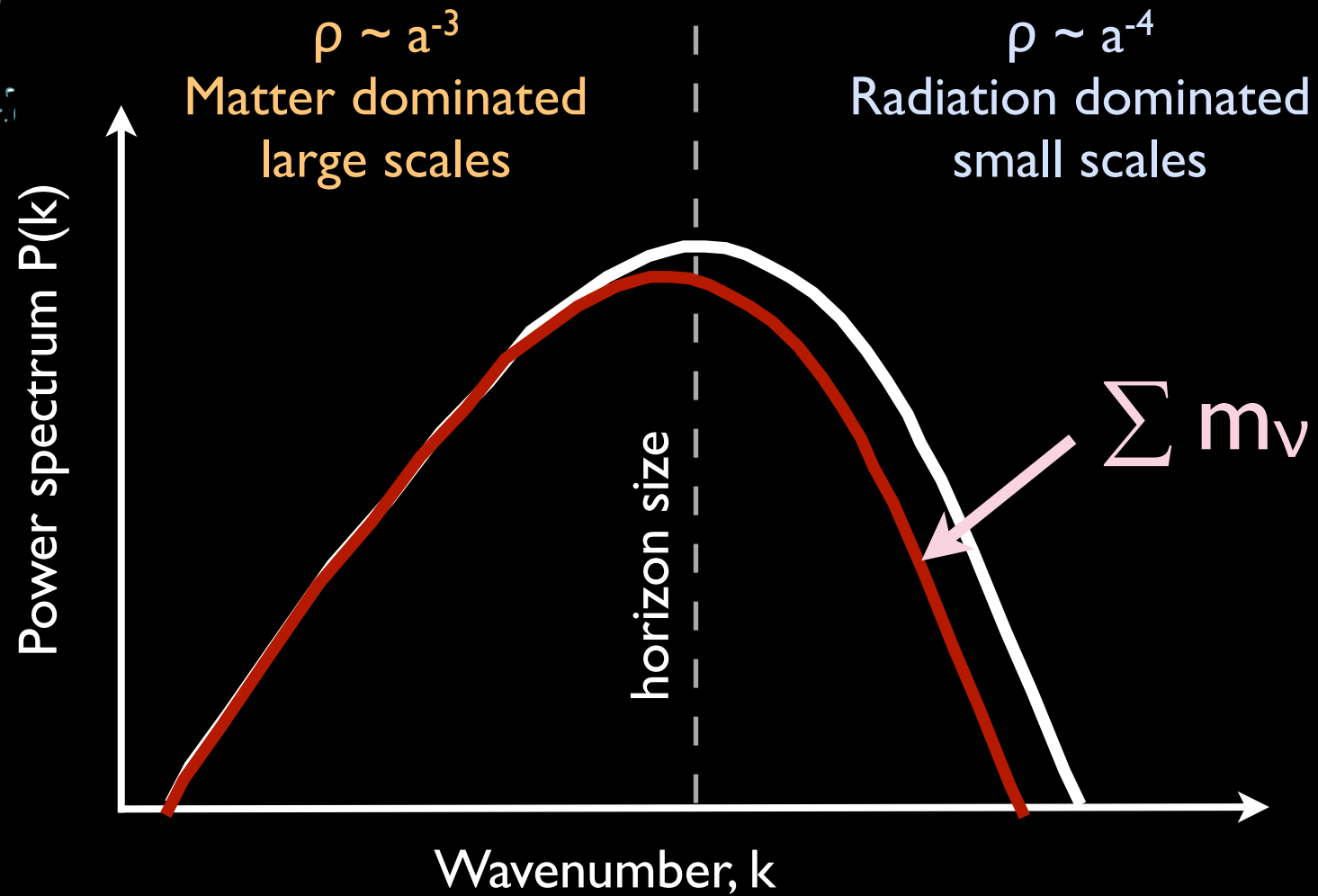
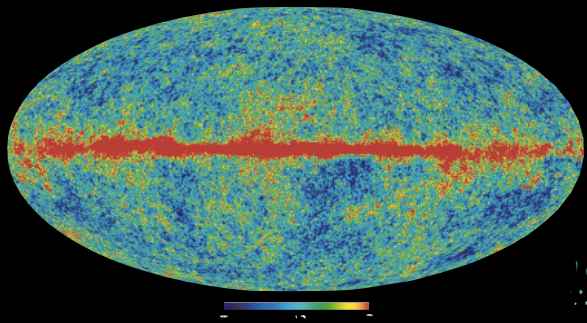


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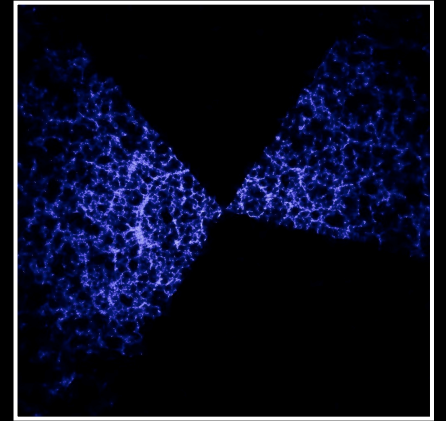
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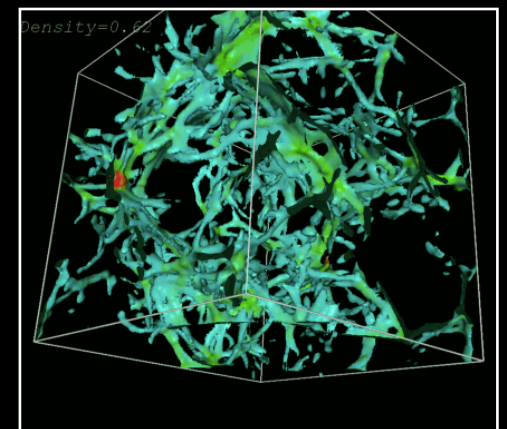


CMB Polarization

Galaxy Surveys



Weak lensing

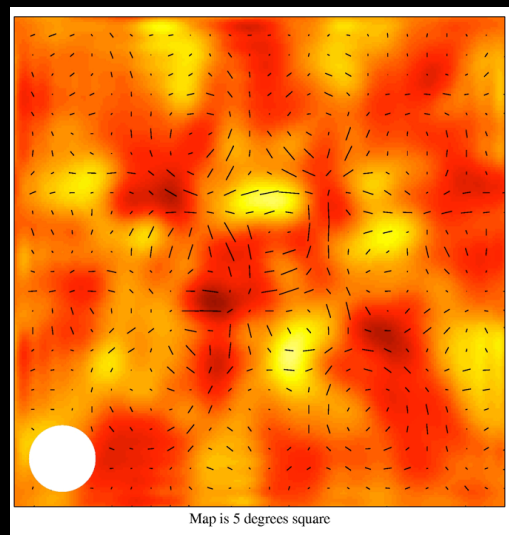
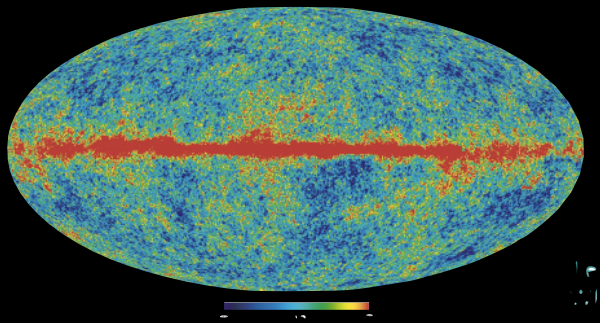


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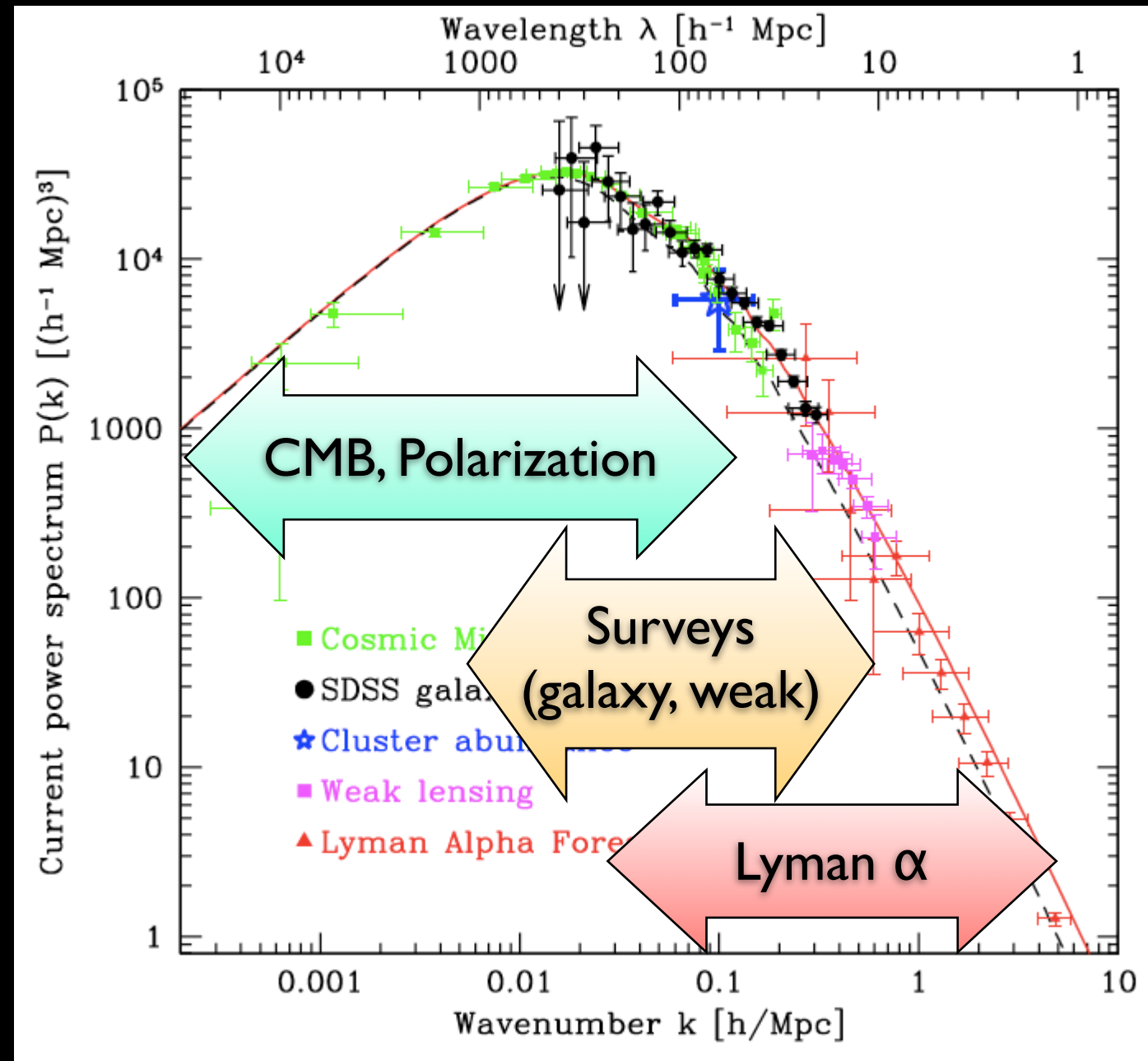
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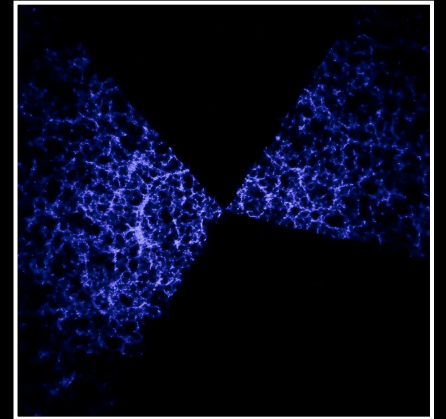


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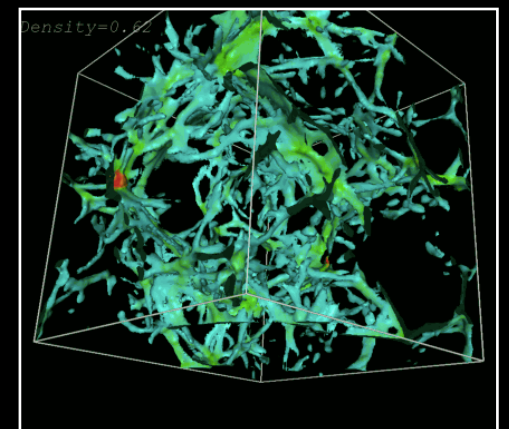


Max Tegmark, 2005

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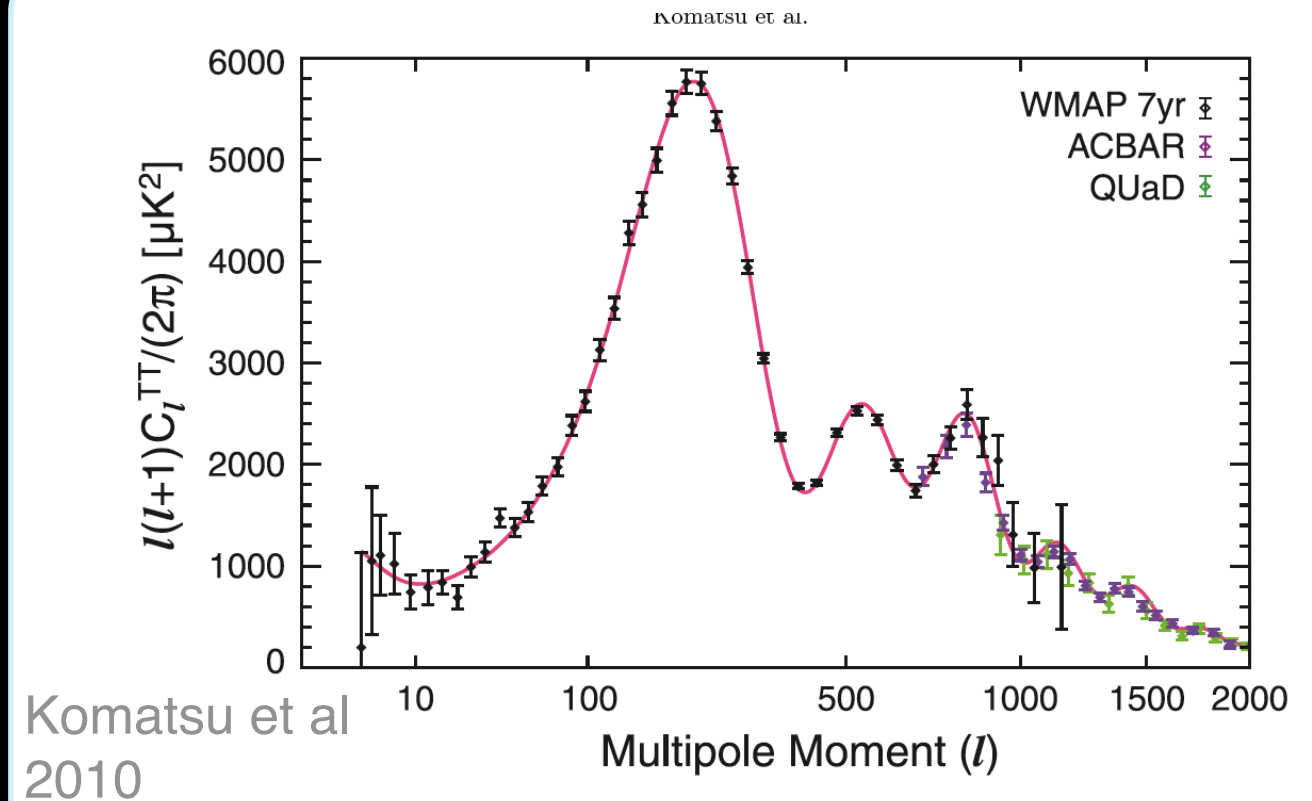
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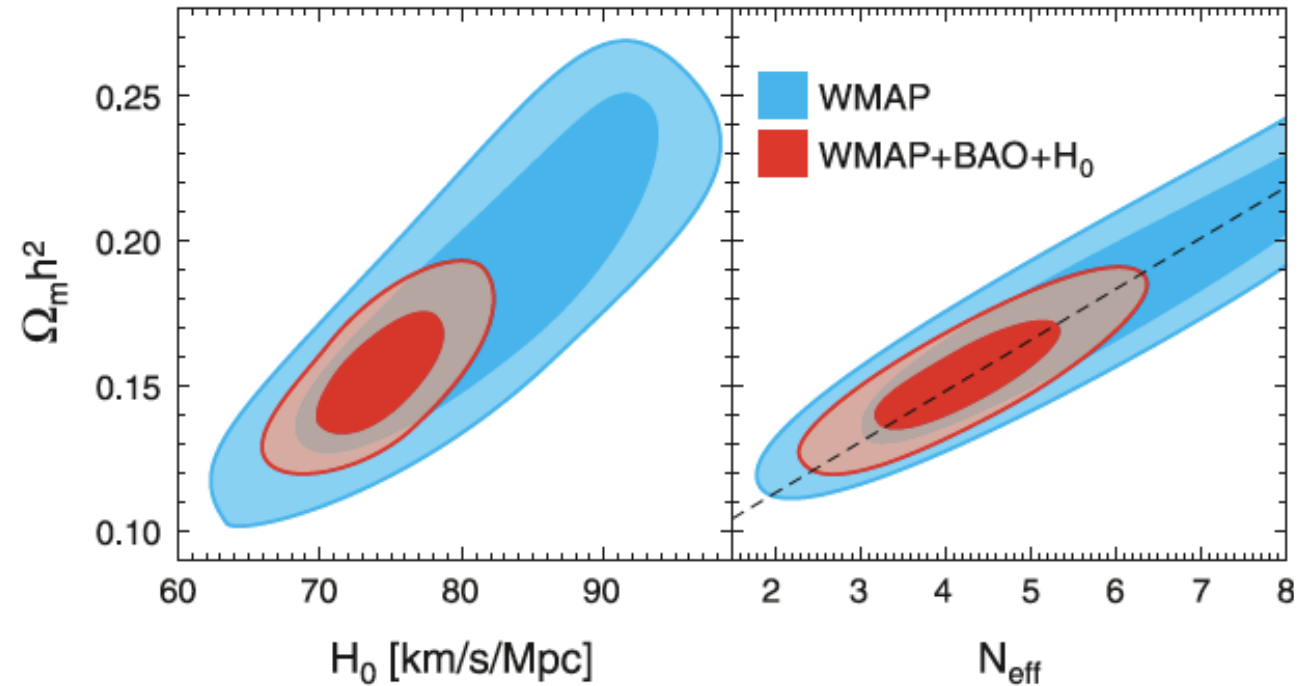


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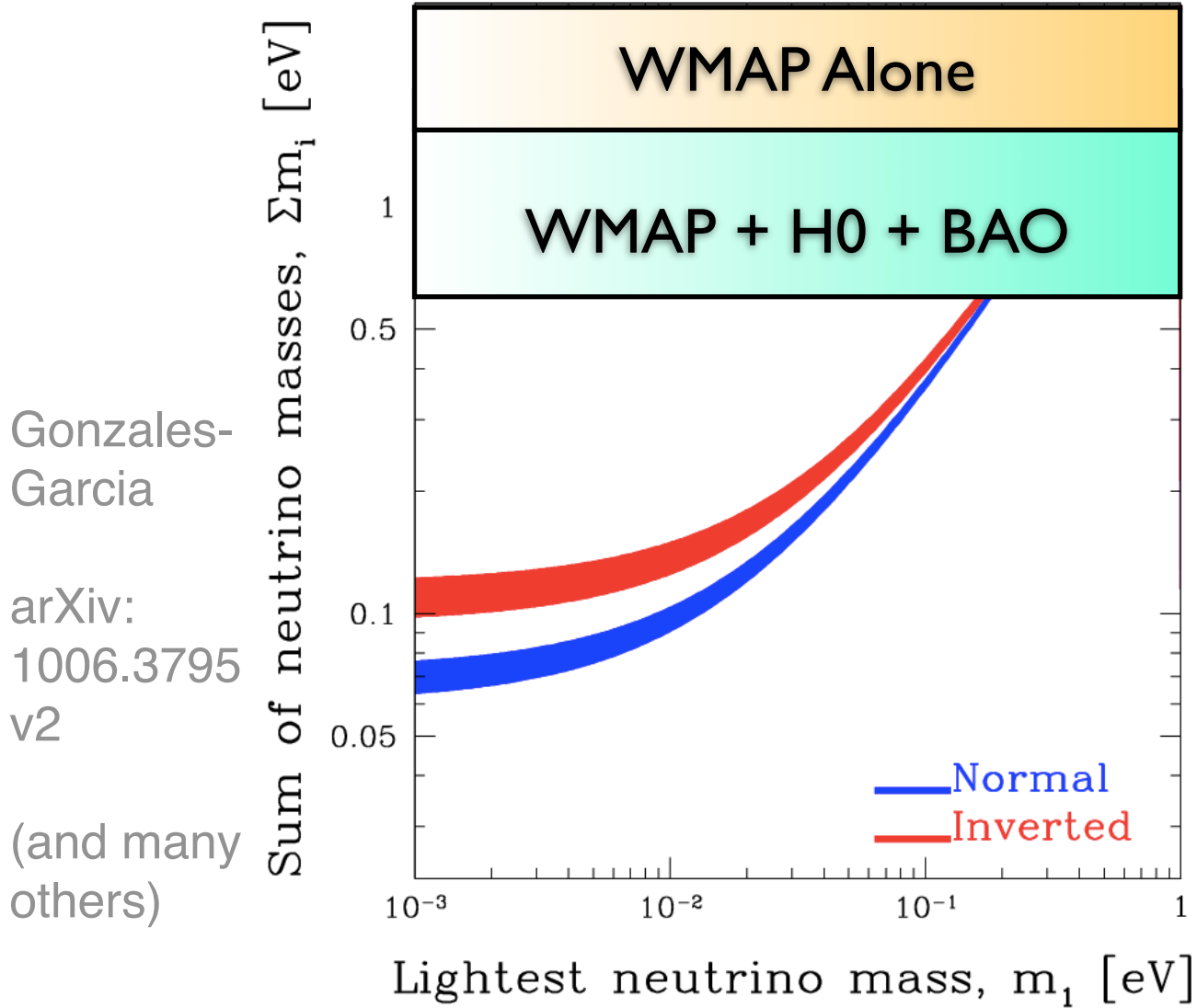
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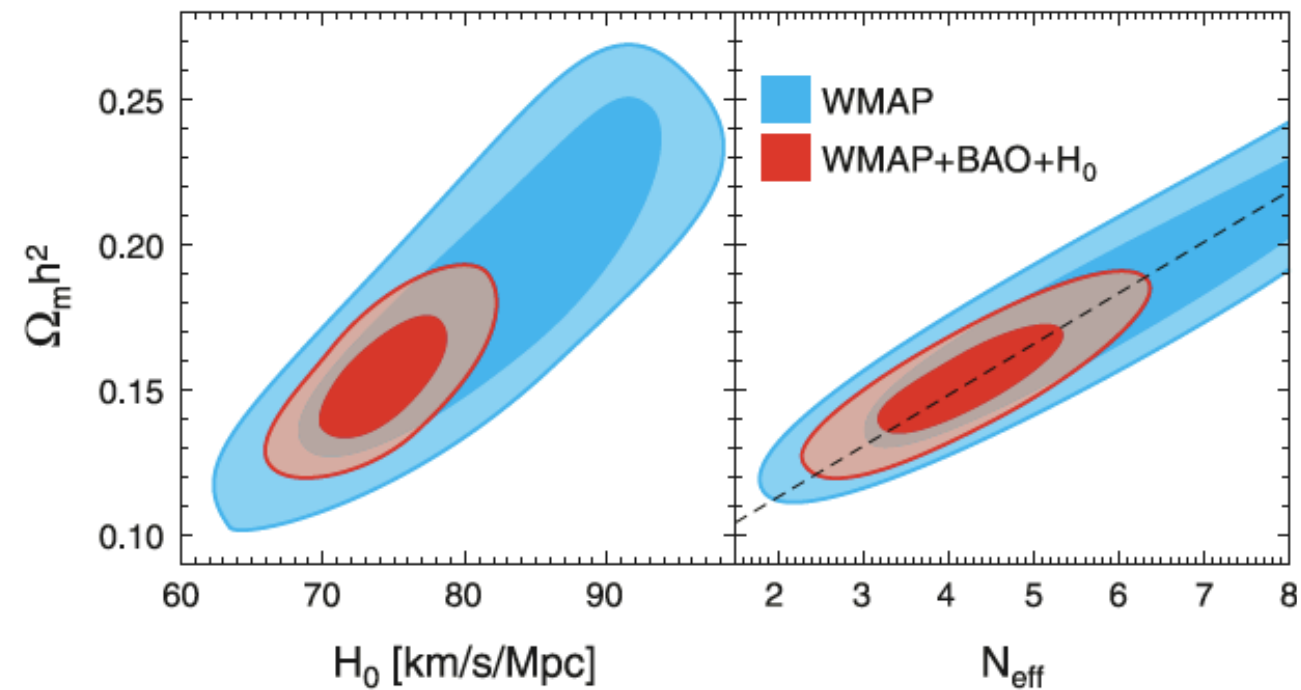
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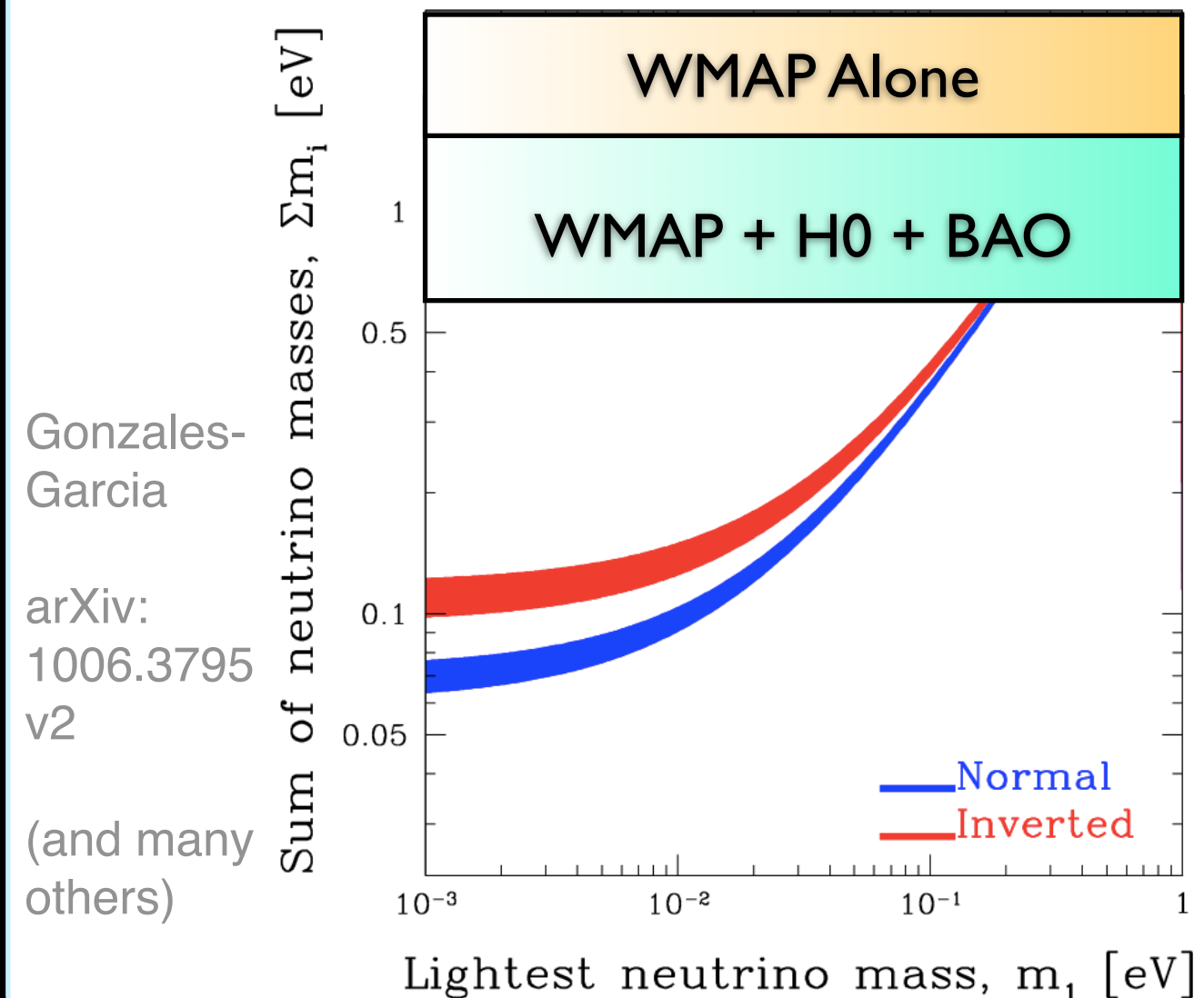
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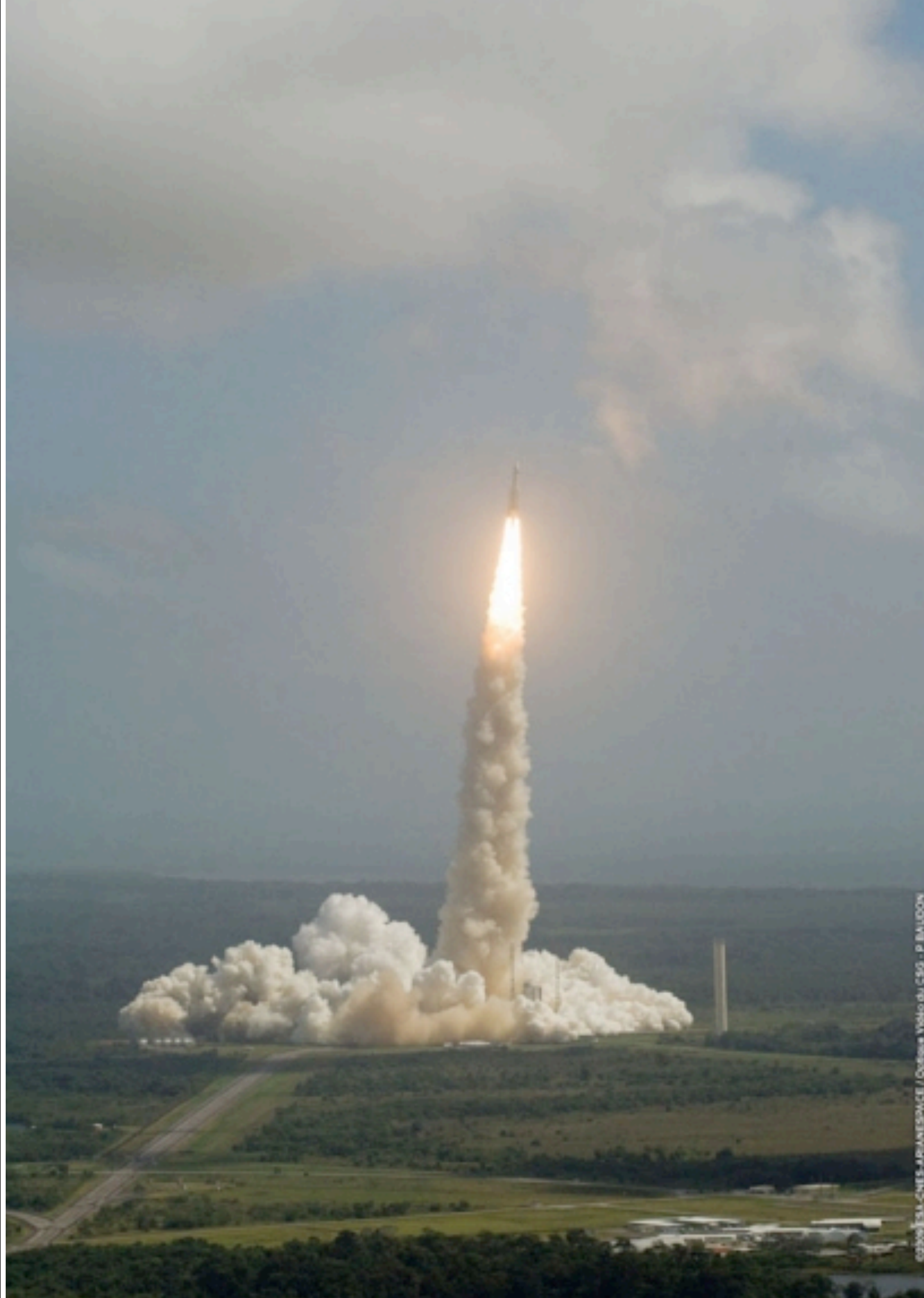


Gonzales-Garcia

arXiv:
1006.3795
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(and many others)

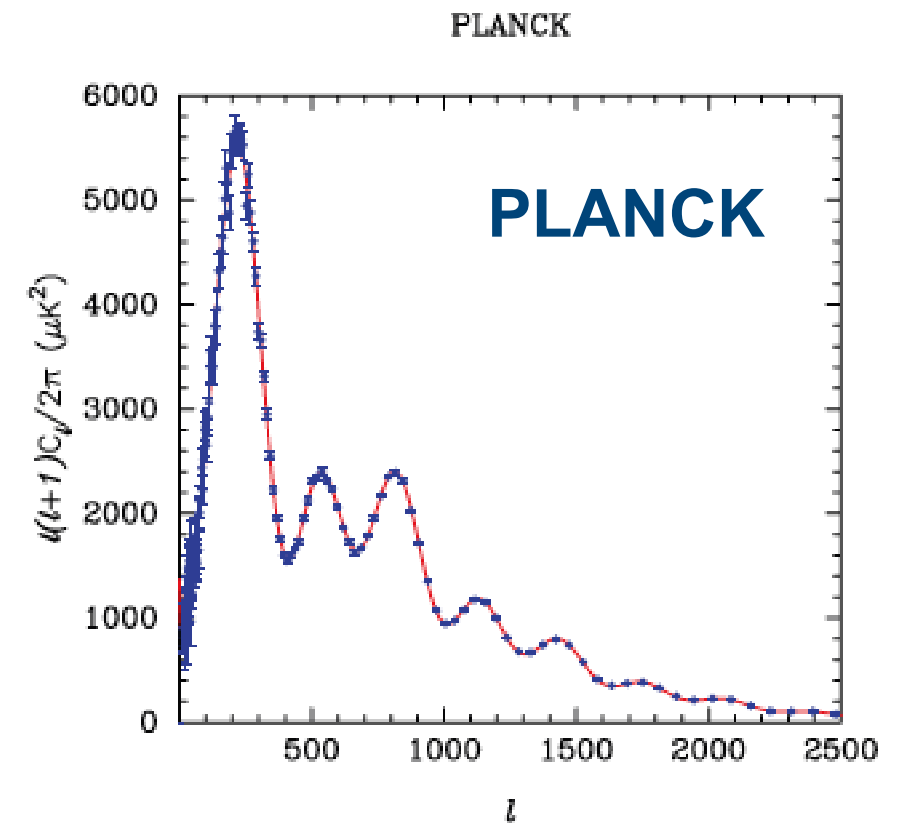
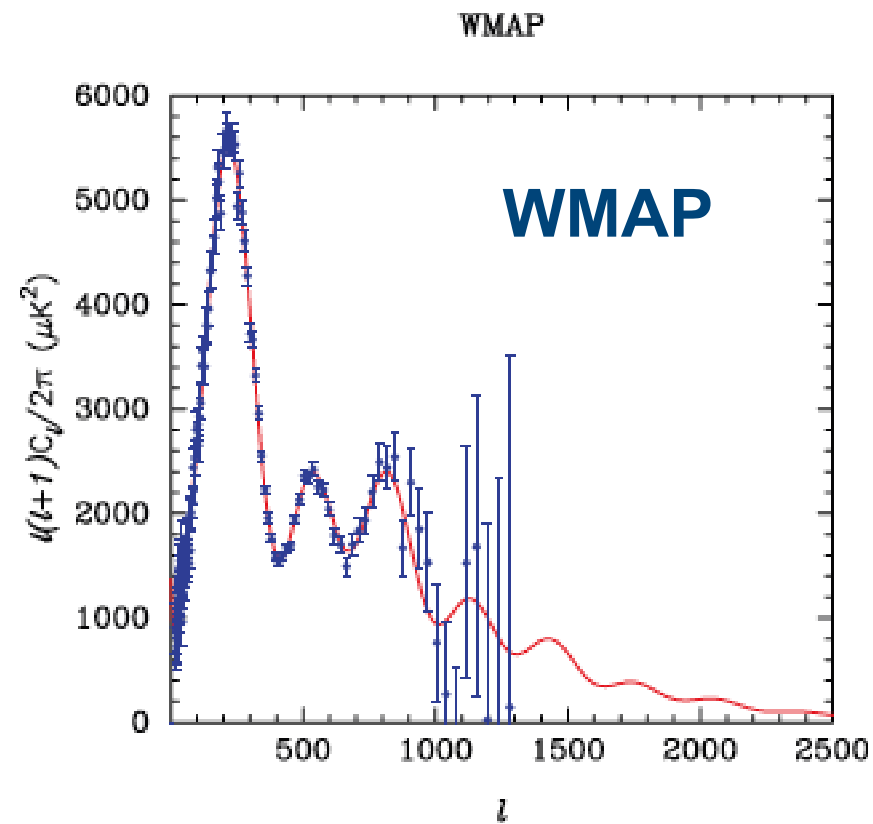
New Frontiers



Planck Satellite:

Launched May 14th, 2009

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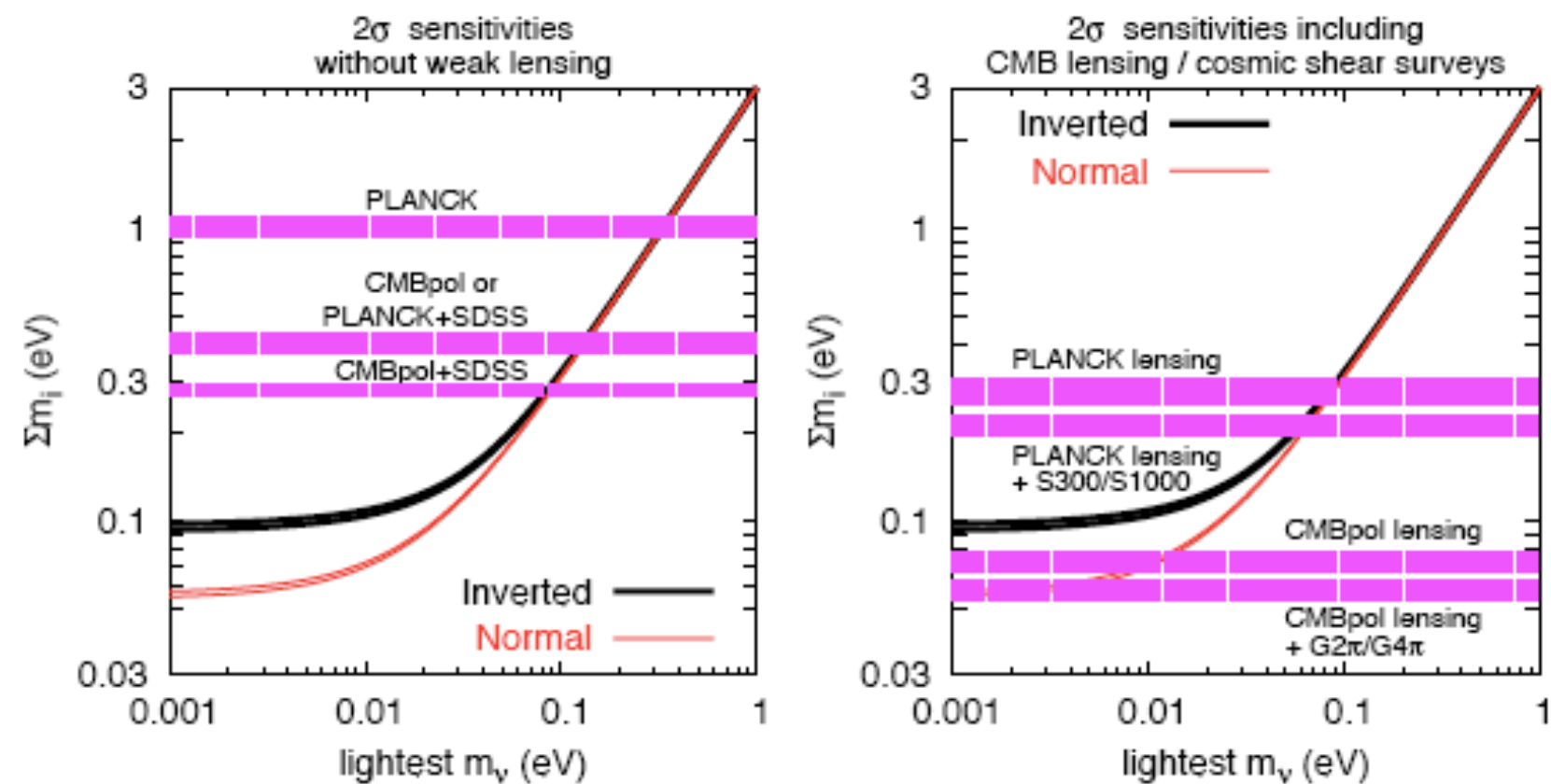


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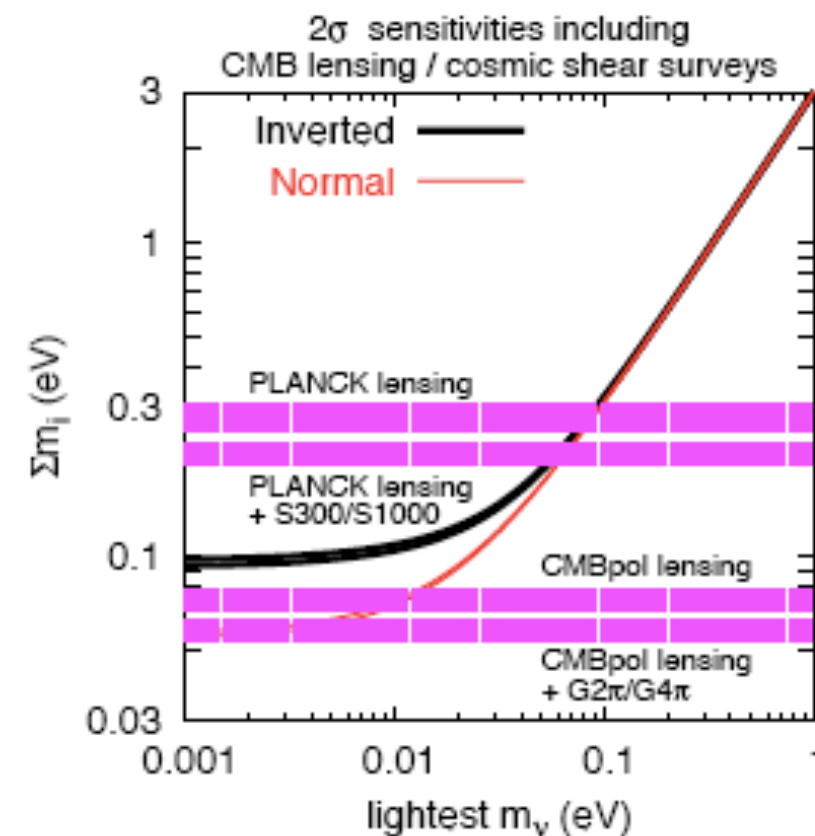
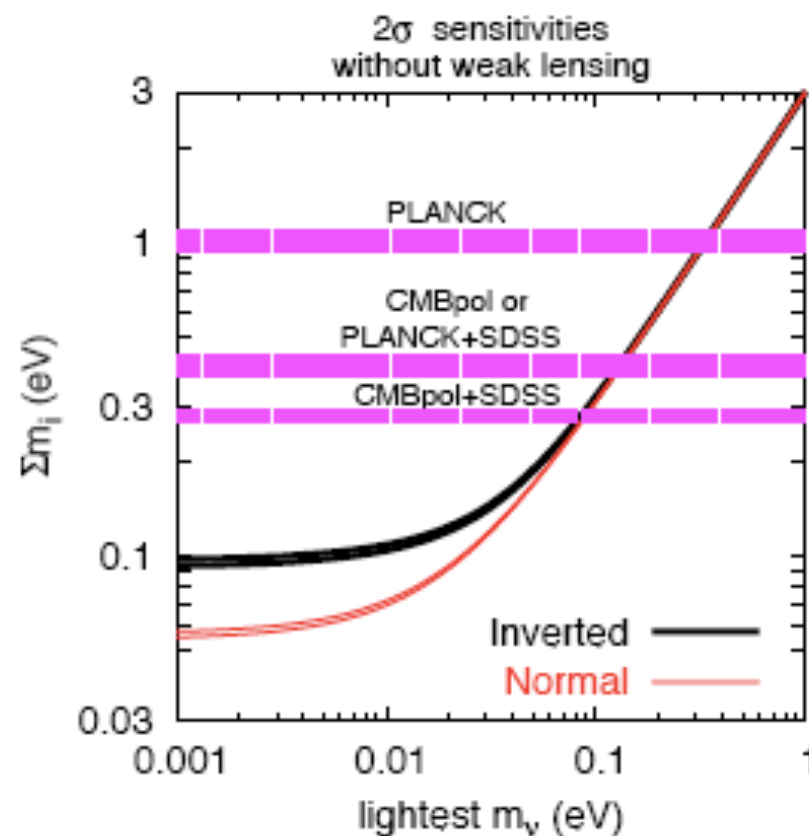
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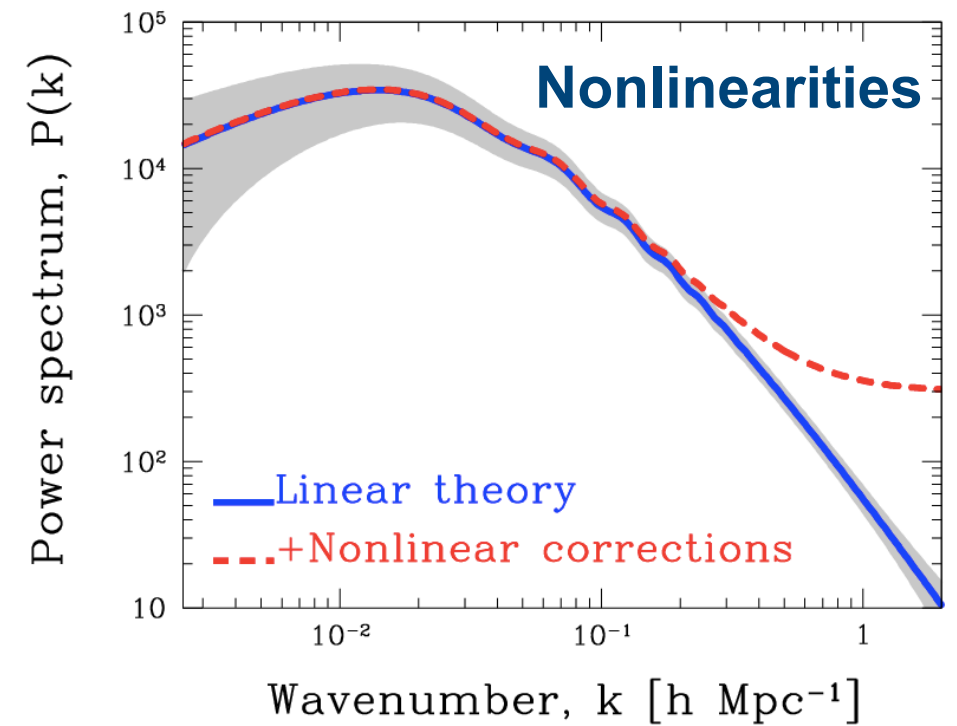
Moving Forward...

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Systematic Effects

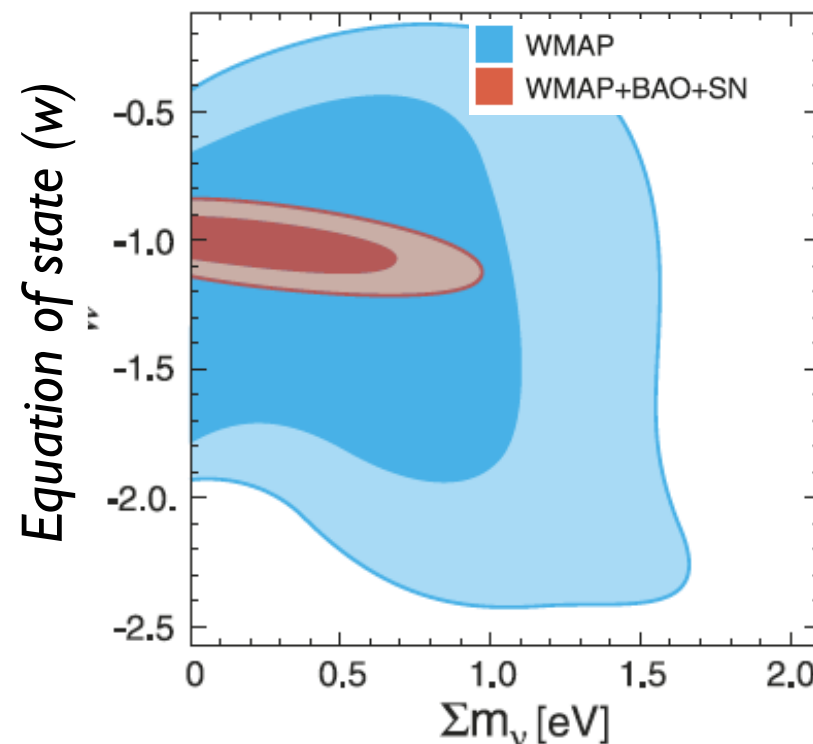
- As precision demands moves to 1%, non-linear effects, degeneracies, baryons, etc. all begin to play a role.
- Numerical simulations and semi-analytical techniques used to address.



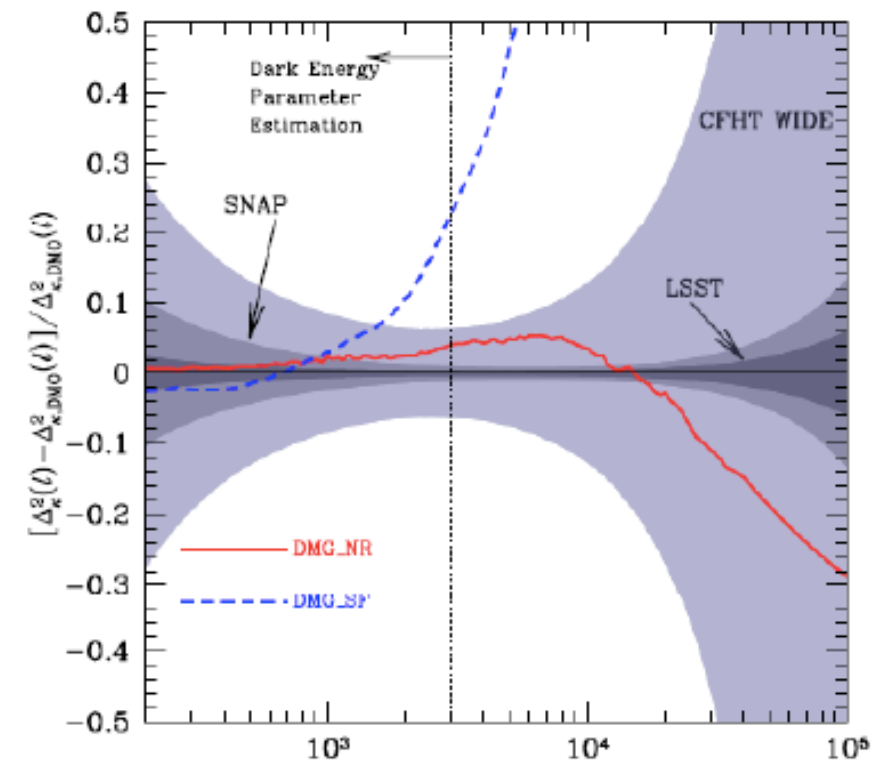
Y. Y. Y. Wong, 2010

Degeneracies

S. Hannestad
Phys. Rev. Lett 95 221301



Baryon Effects



Rudd, Zentner & Kravtsov, 2007



“...down they fell, driven headlong from
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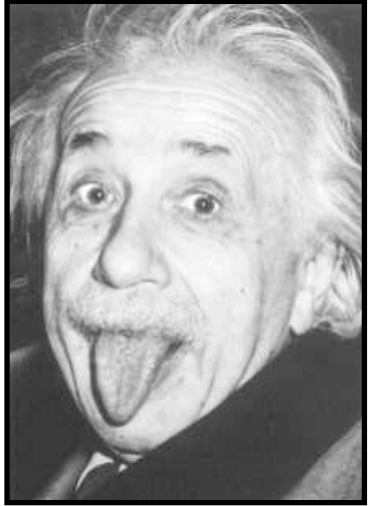
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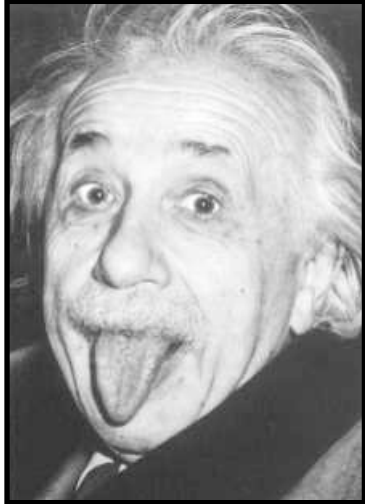
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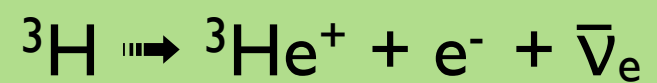
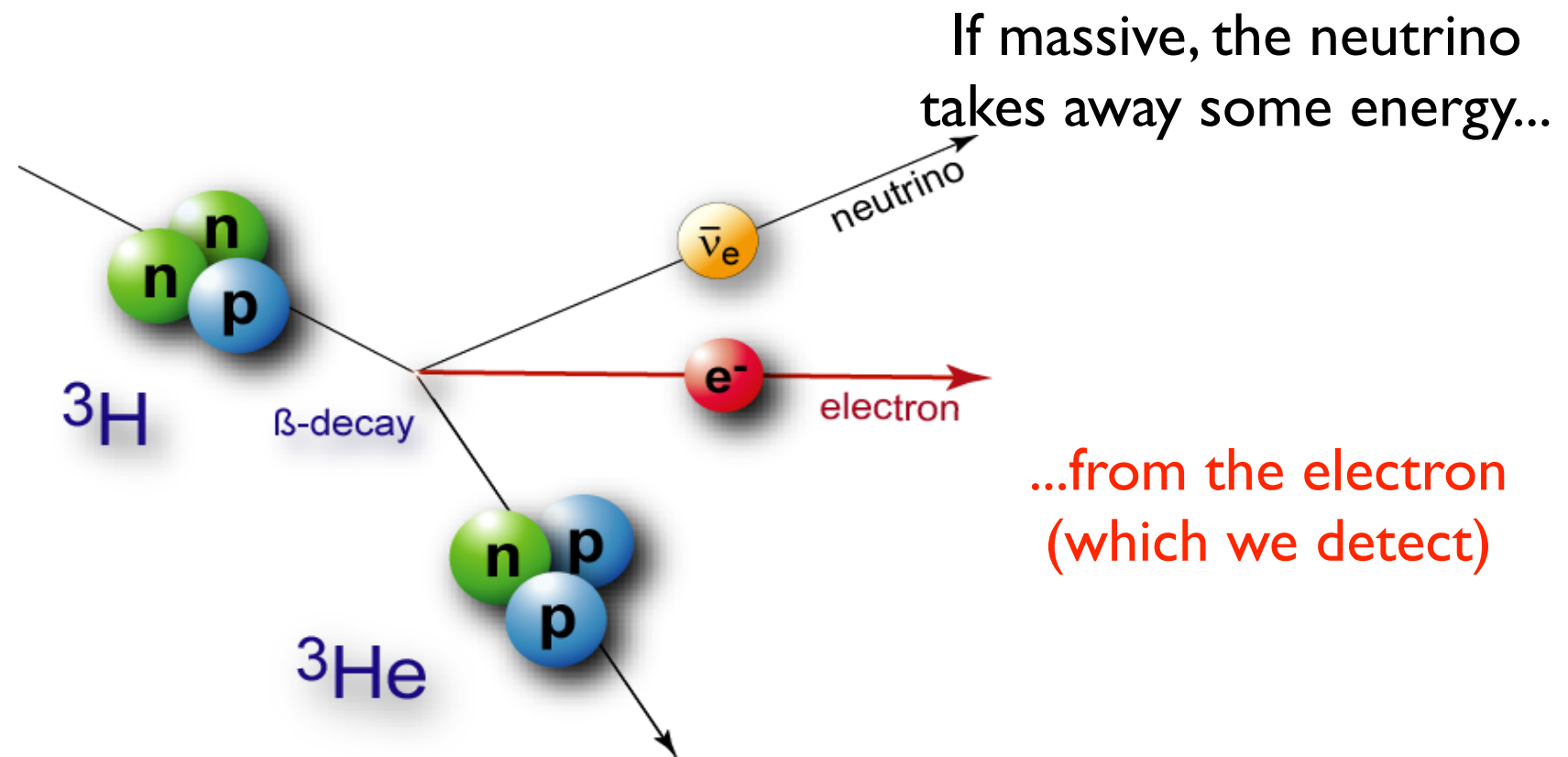
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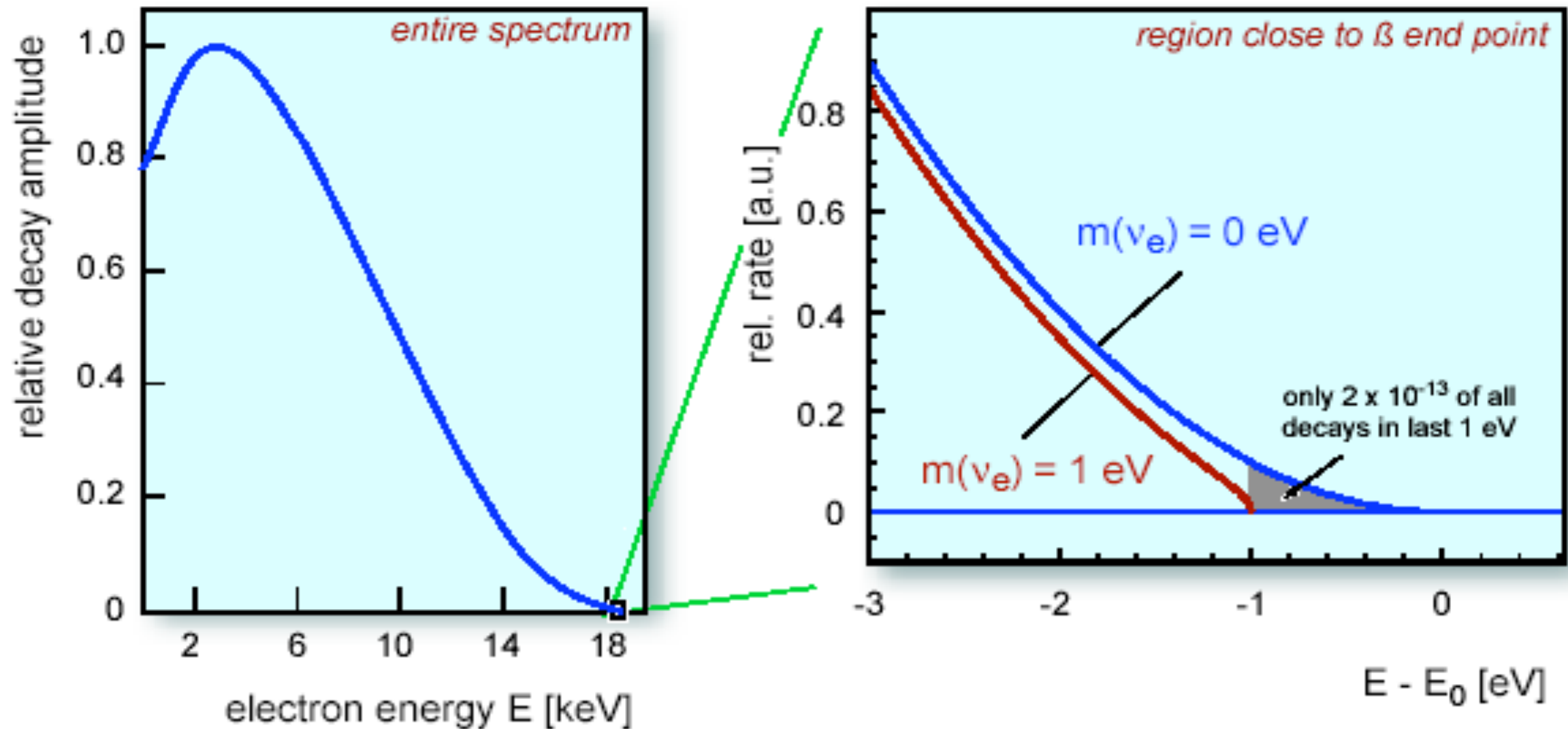


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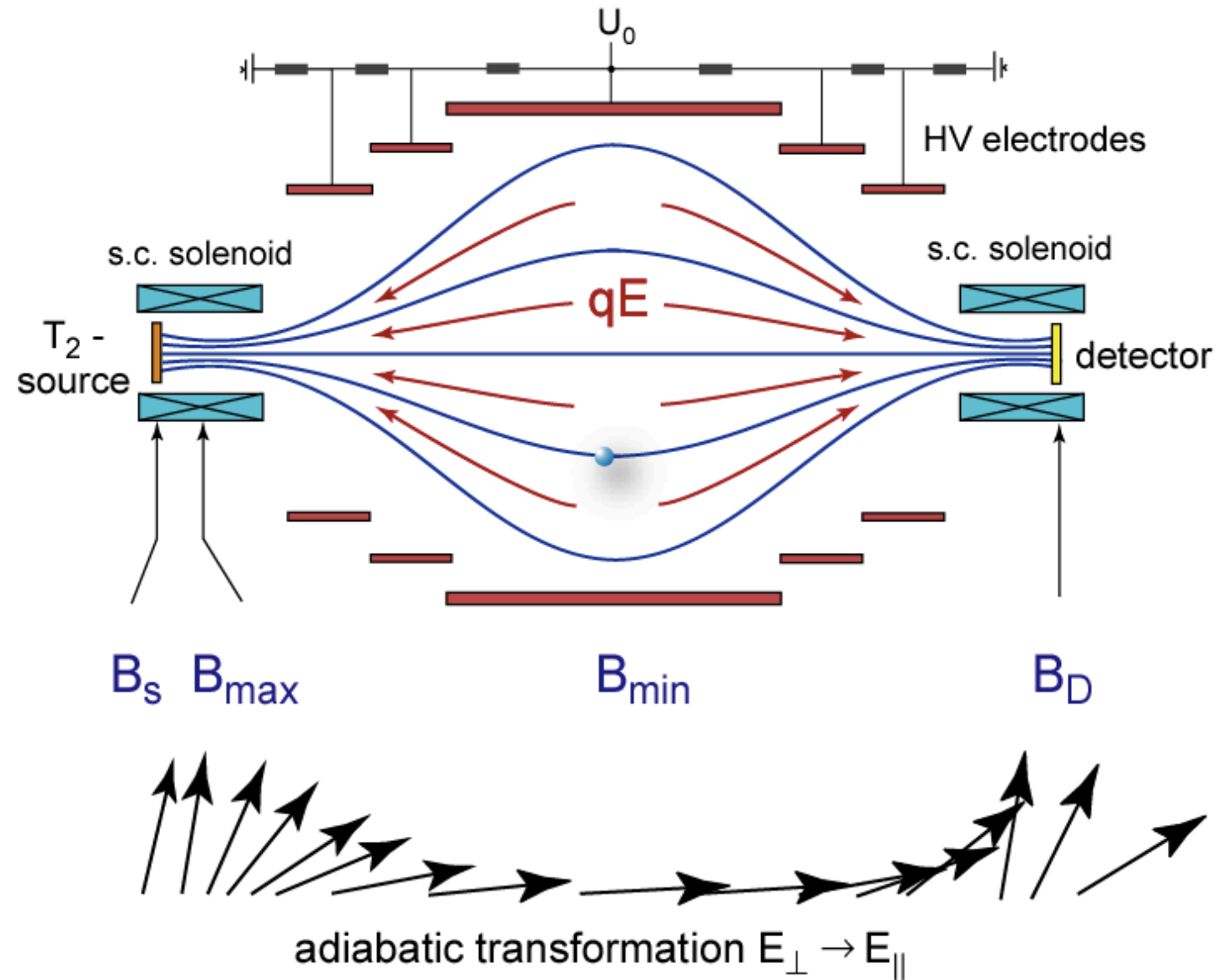
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State-of-the-Art: KATRIN

KATRIN



Spectroscopic: MAC-E Filter



Inhomogeneous magnetic guiding field.

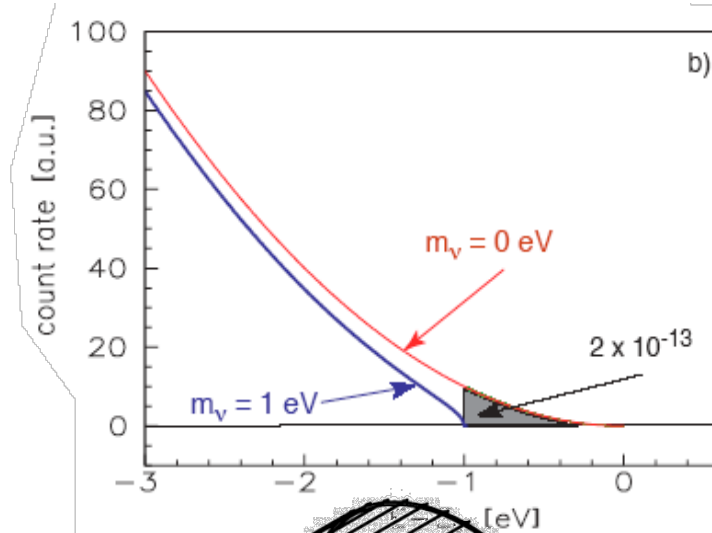
Retarding potential acts as high-pass filter

High energy resolution ($\Delta E/E = B_{\min}/B_{\max} = 0.93$ eV)

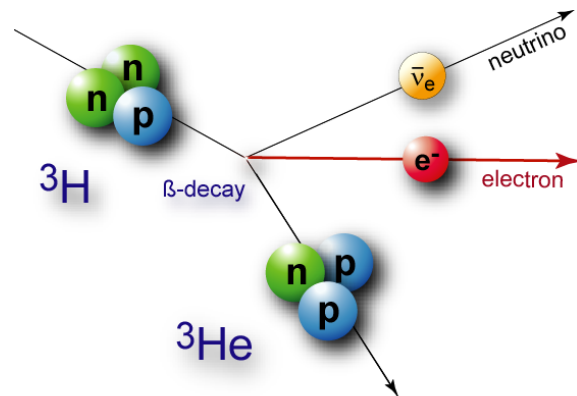
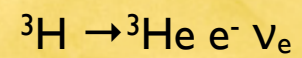
The KATRIN Experiment



Electron Beta Decay Spectrum



Tritium Beta Decay



Electron Detector

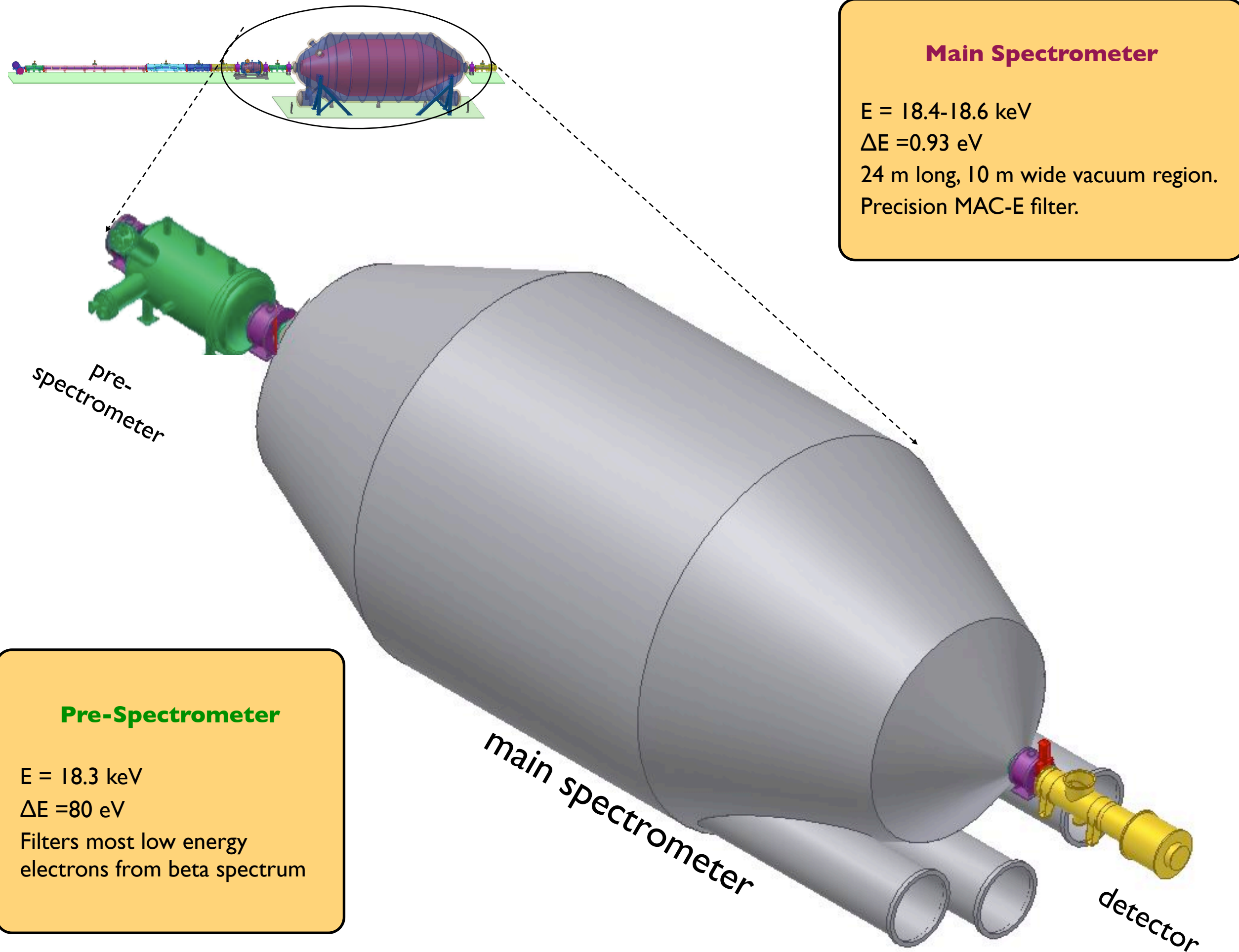
Spectrometer

Tritium Retention System

Windowless Gaseous Tritium Source

Rear Calibration & Monitoring

- KATRIN uses the beta decay from (gaseous) tritium to probe the absolute neutrino mass scale.



Main Spectrometer

$E = 18.4-18.6 \text{ keV}$

$\Delta E = 0.93 \text{ eV}$

24 m long, 10 m wide vacuum region.

Precision MAC-E filter.

Pre-Spectrometer

$E = 18.3 \text{ keV}$

$\Delta E = 80 \text{ eV}$

Filters most low energy
electrons from beta spectrum

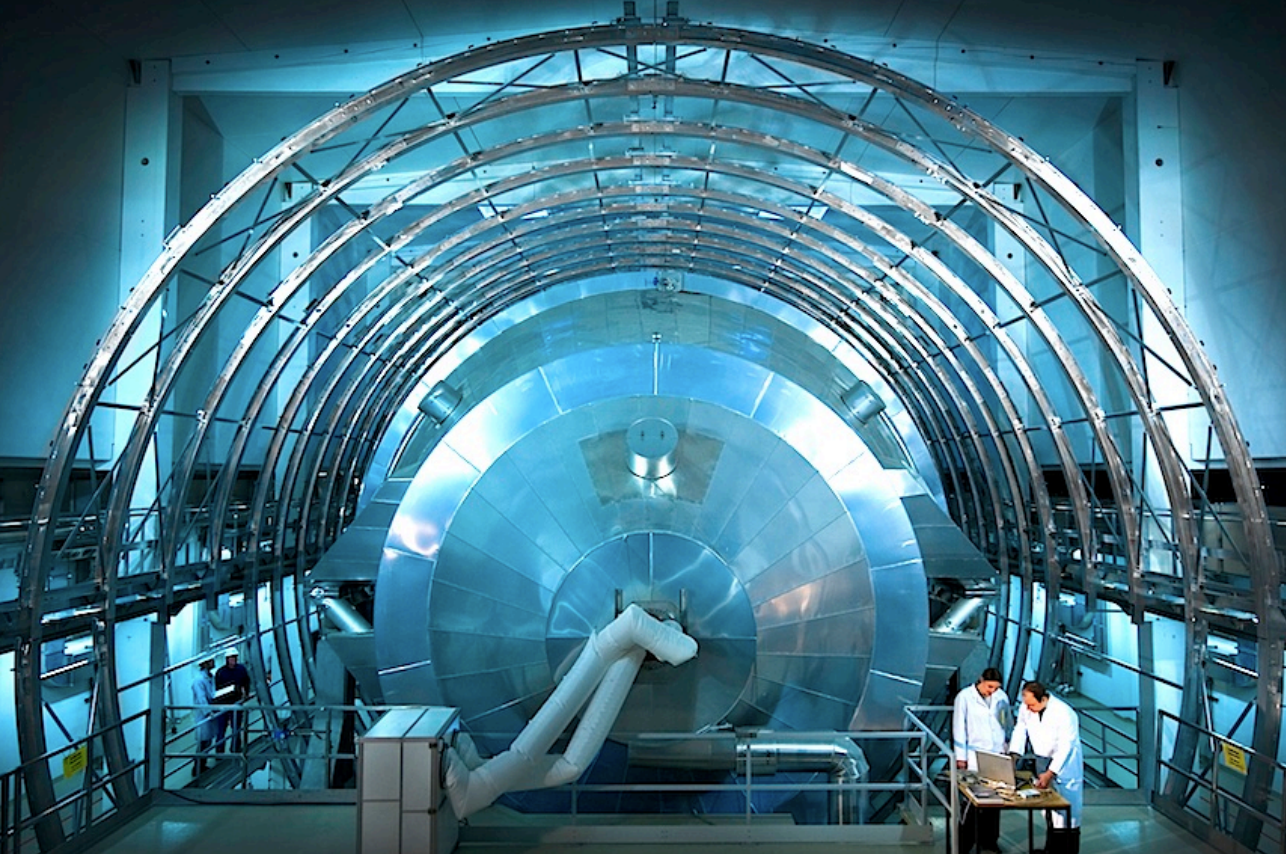




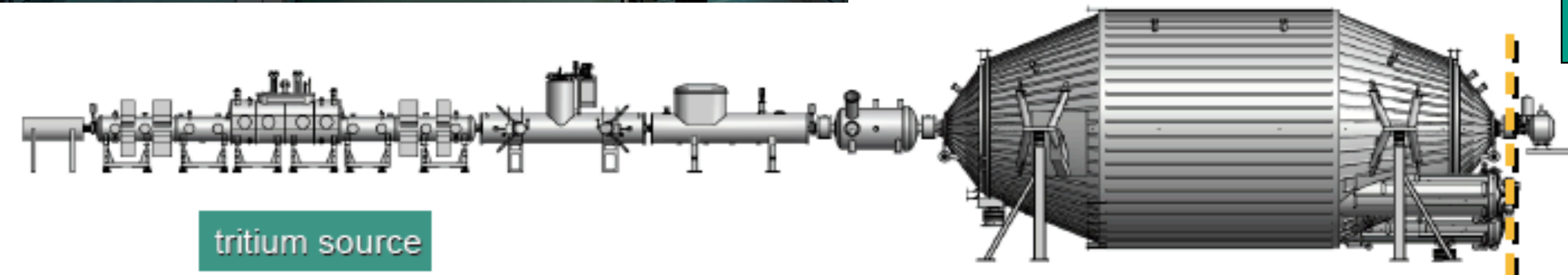




KATRIN landing...



Spectrometer
and air coils



tritium source

Detector



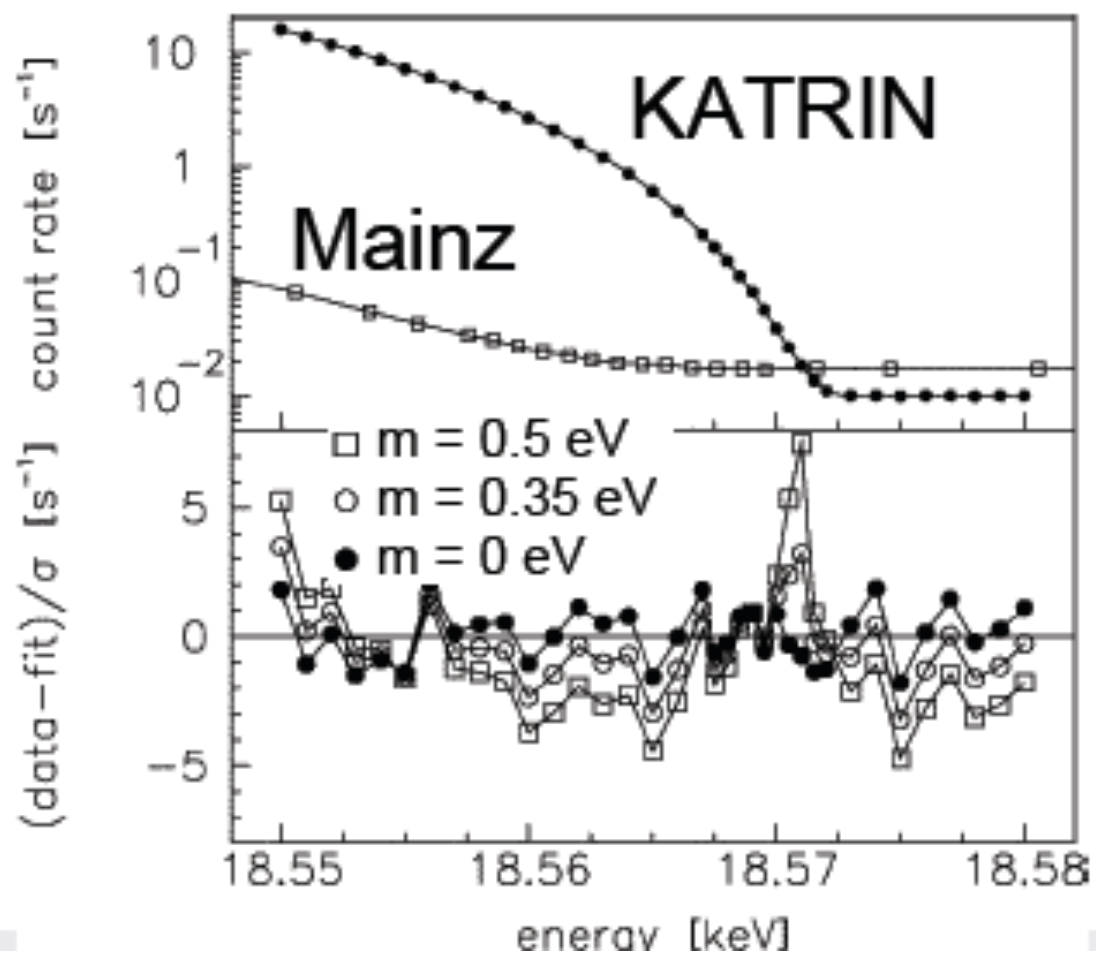
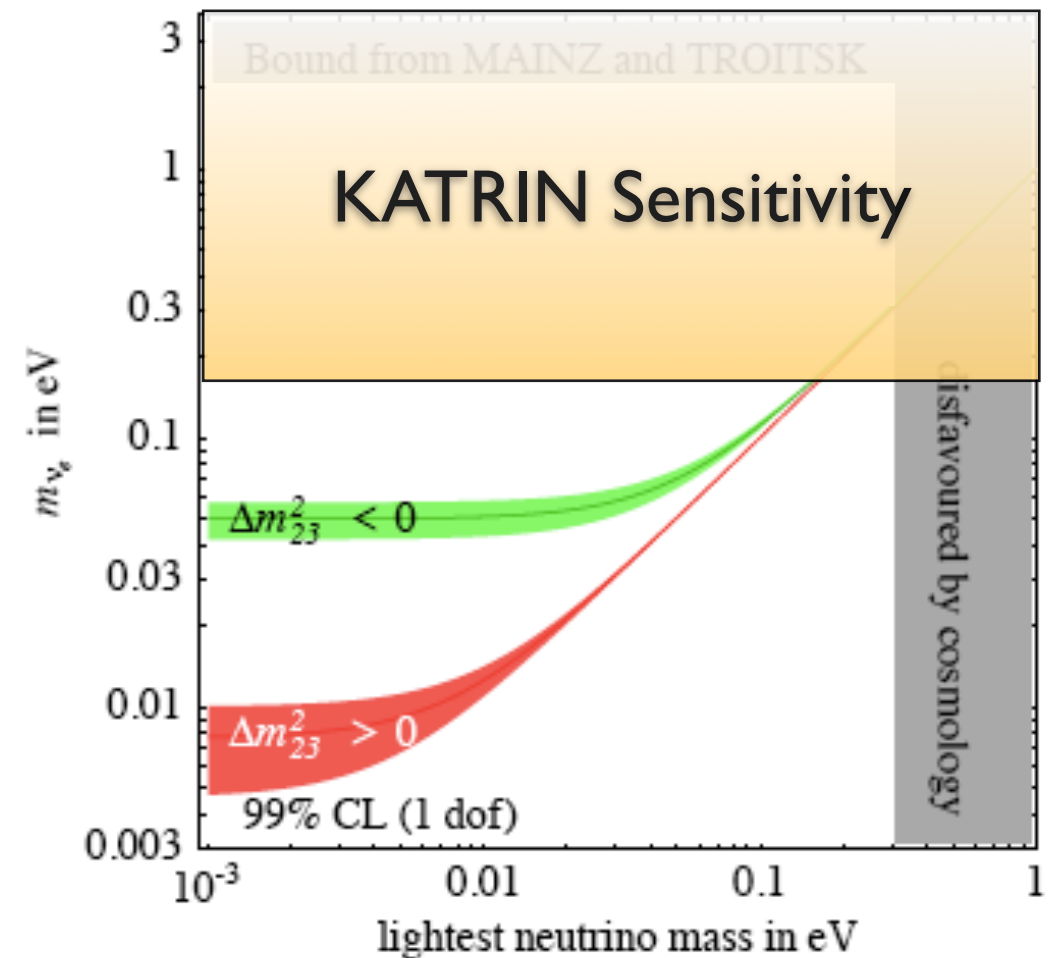
Projected Sensitivity

$$\Delta m_{\beta, \text{stat}}^2 = 0.018 \text{ eV}^2$$

Assumes 3 yr running

$$\Delta m_{\beta, \text{sys}}^2 = 0.017 \text{ eV}^2$$

Major systematics include source purity, HV stability, source stability and T_2 final states



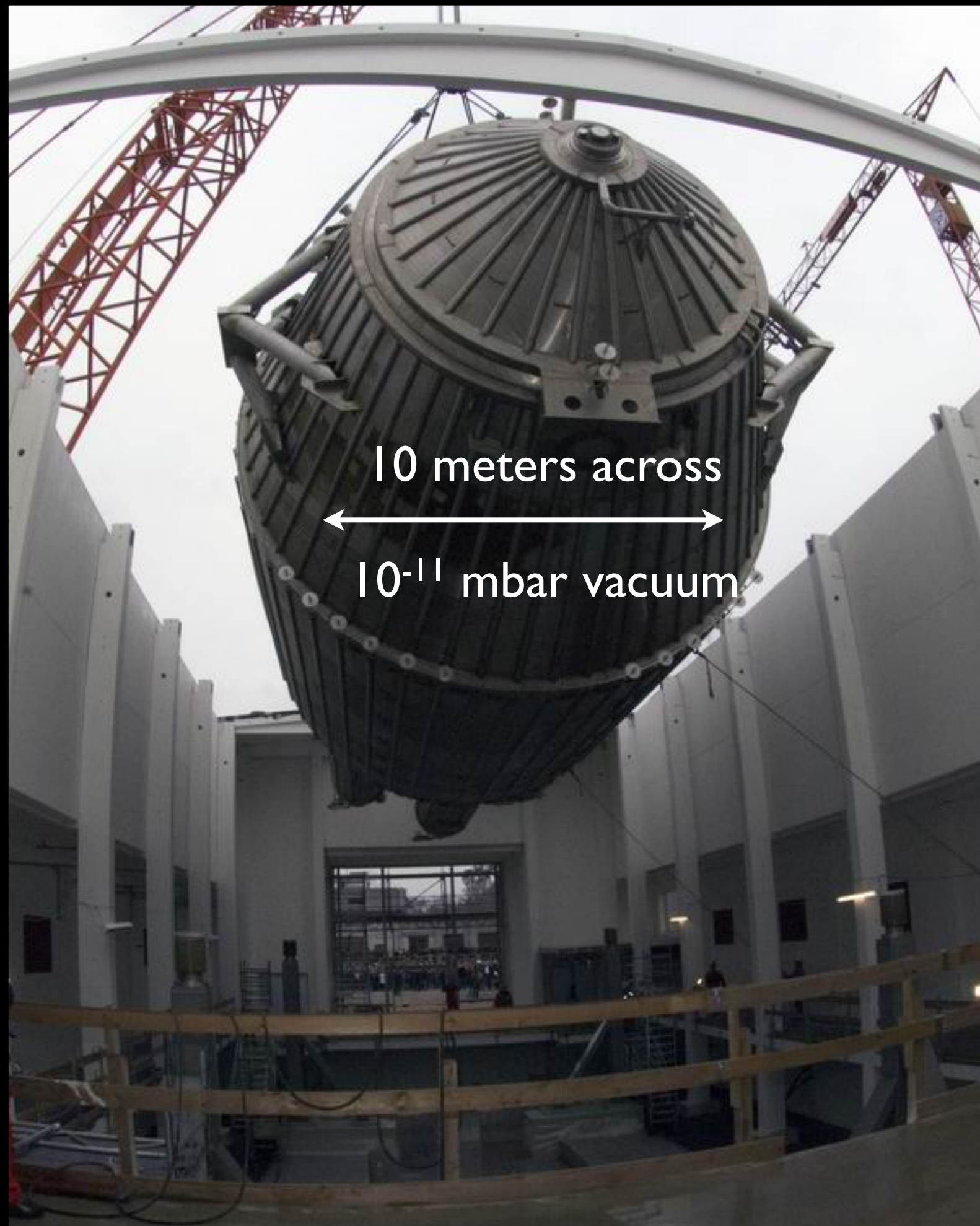
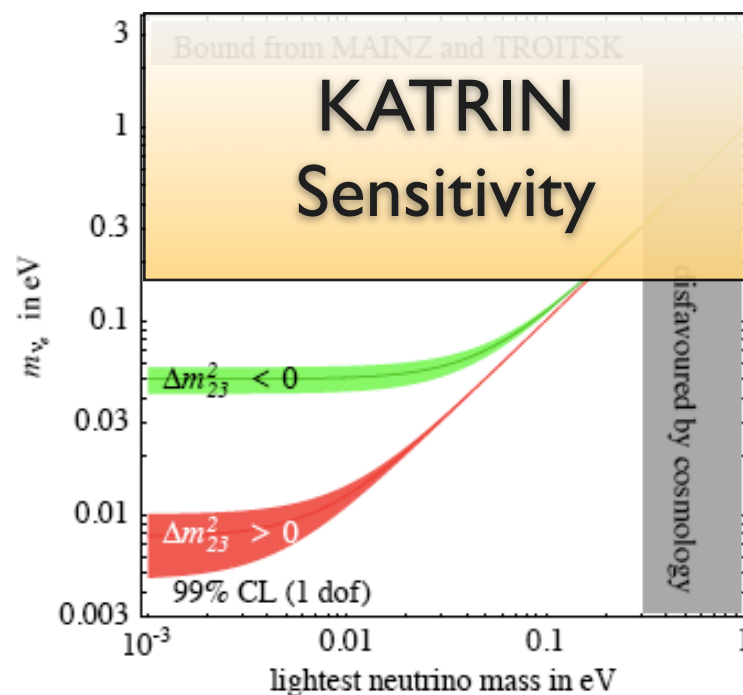
Neutrino Mass Goals

Discovery: 350 meV (at 5σ)

Sensitivity: 200 meV (at 90% C.L.)

Can we push further?

- KATRIN will achieve 200 meV scale. Can direct measurements push lower to the normal hierarchy scale?
- Any future experiment needs to be able to (a) have a better scaling law for increased target mass and (b) improve its energy resolution.

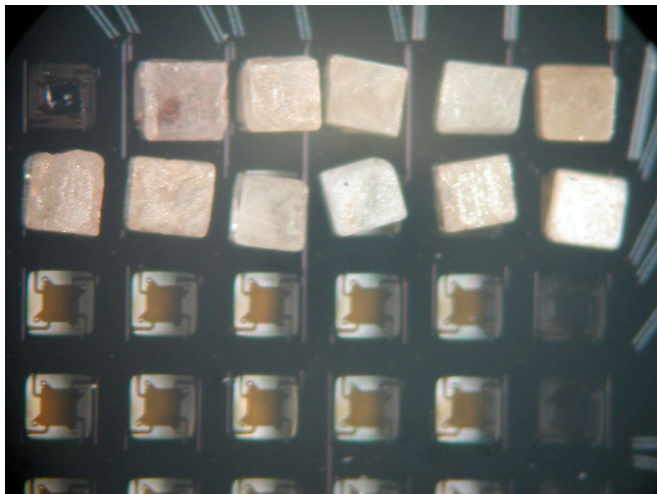


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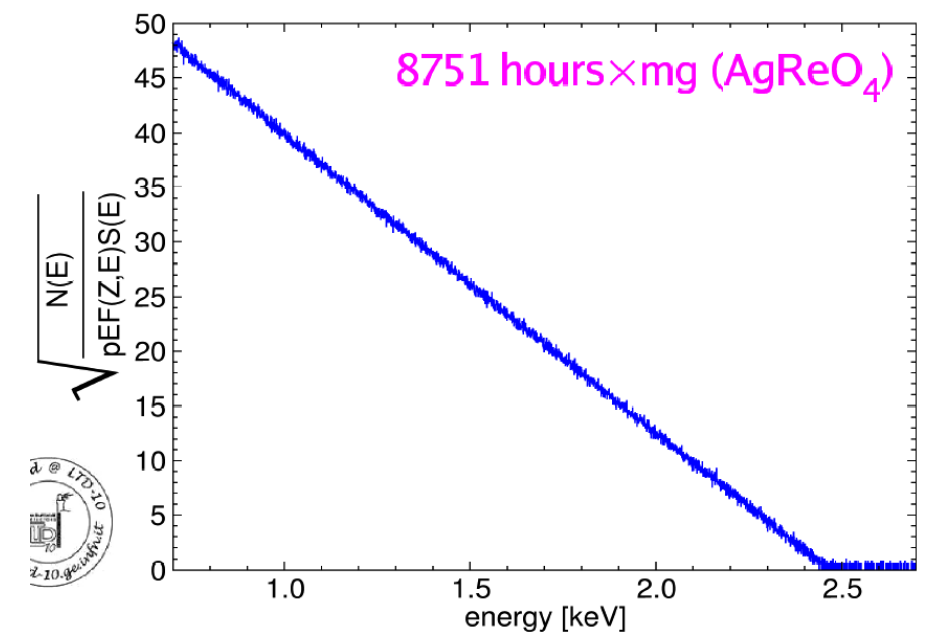
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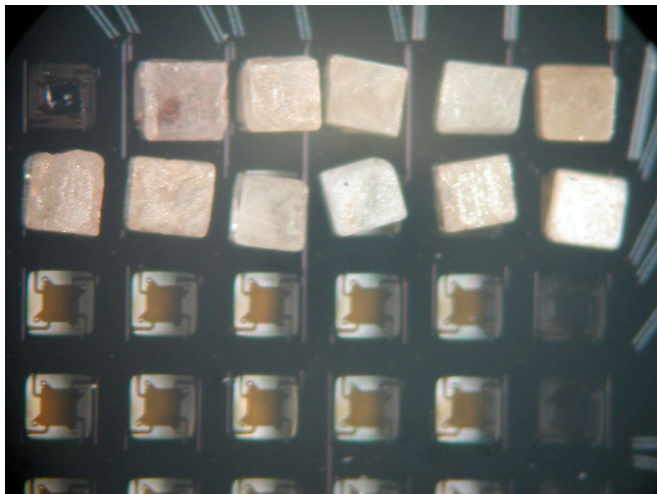
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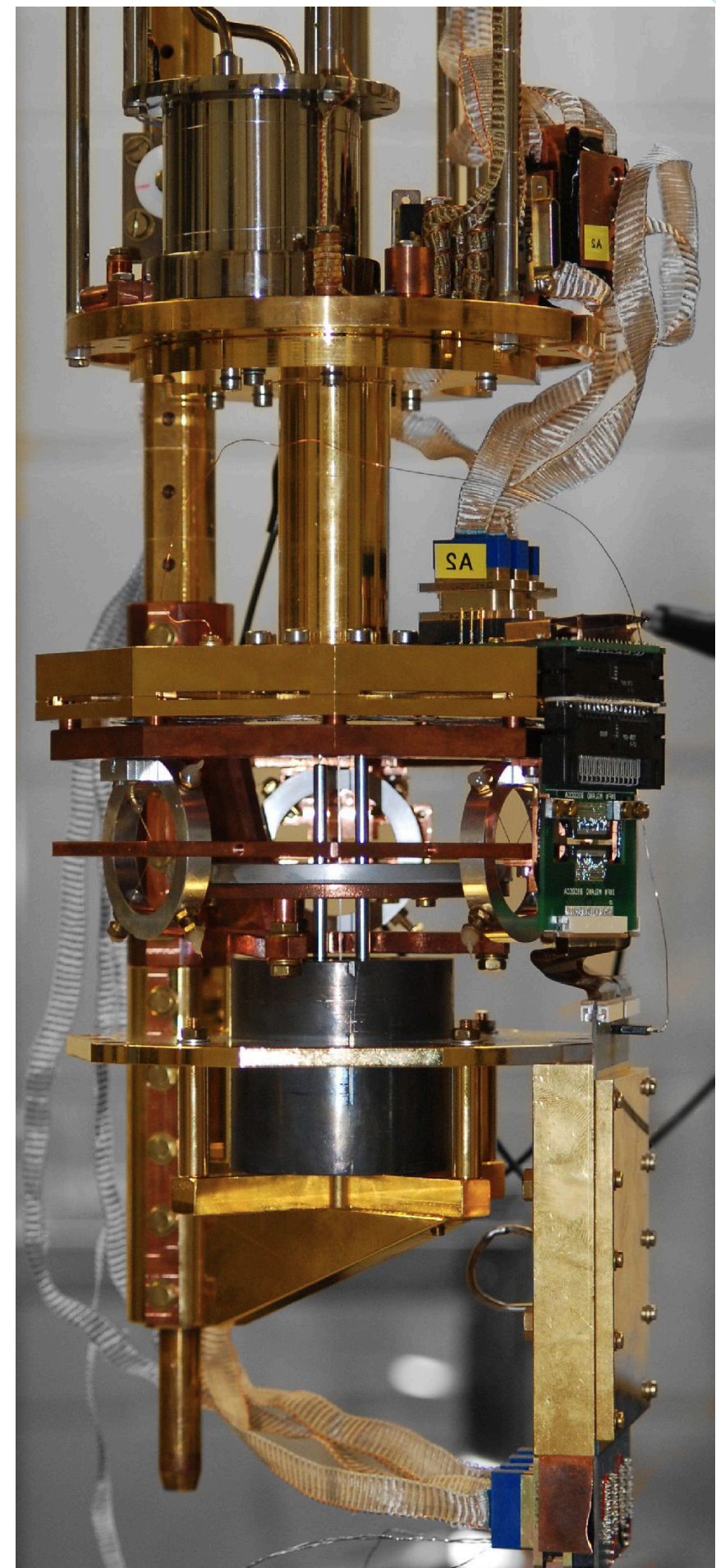
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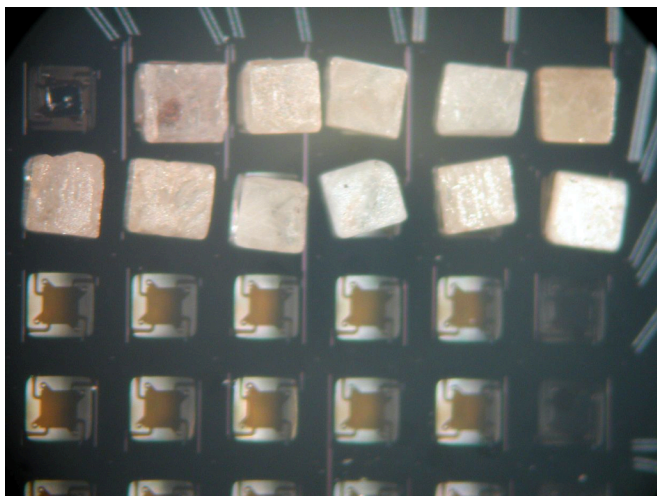


MARE R&D

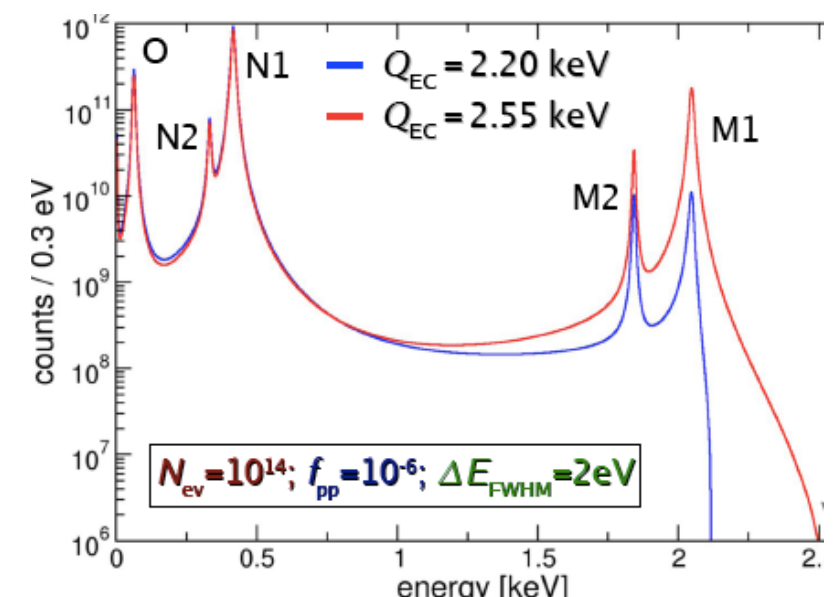
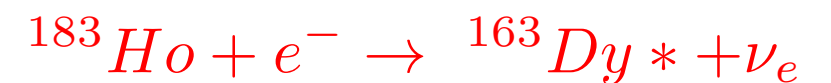
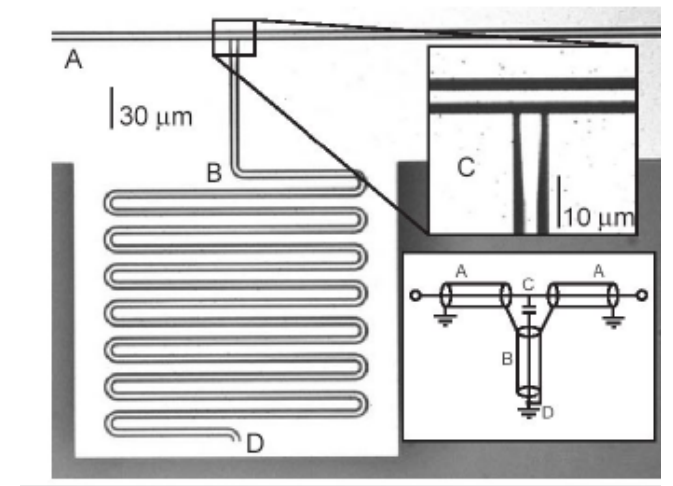
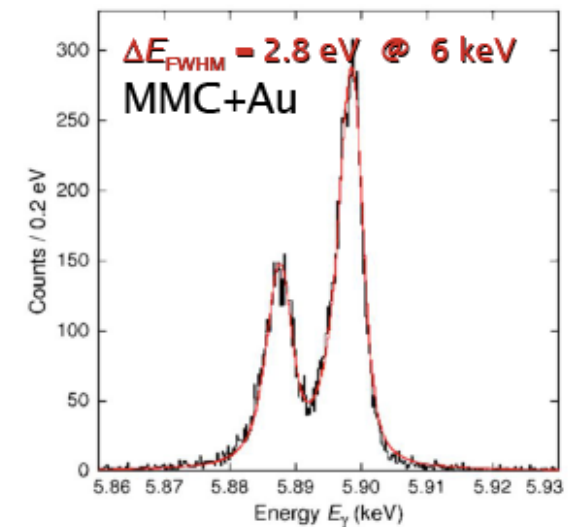
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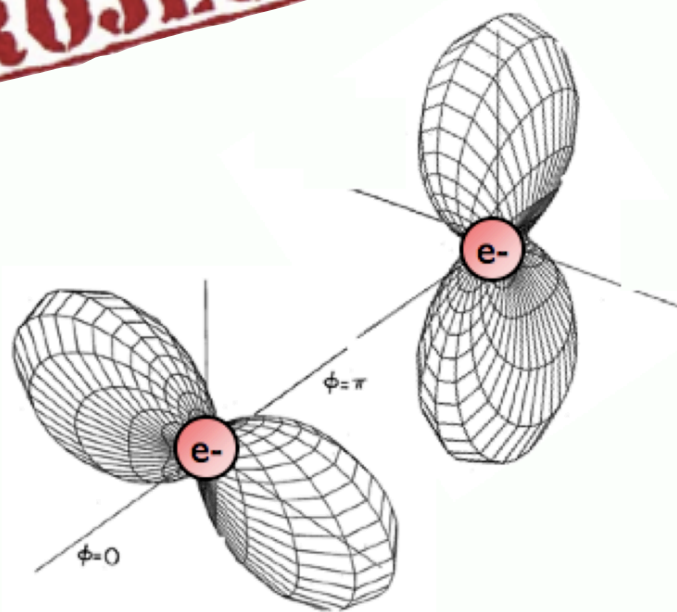
- New Technology:
 - Use of magnetic micro calorimeters. Minimize rise time and energy resolution.
 - MKID devices (1-10 GHz) resonating super-conductors.
 - Reduces pileup, increases pixelation and energy resolution
- New Isotopes:
 - Also exploring ^{183}Ho electron capture



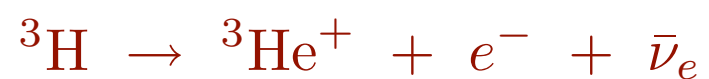
R&D to lead to MARE 2 (0.2 eV sensitivity)

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I. I. Rabi



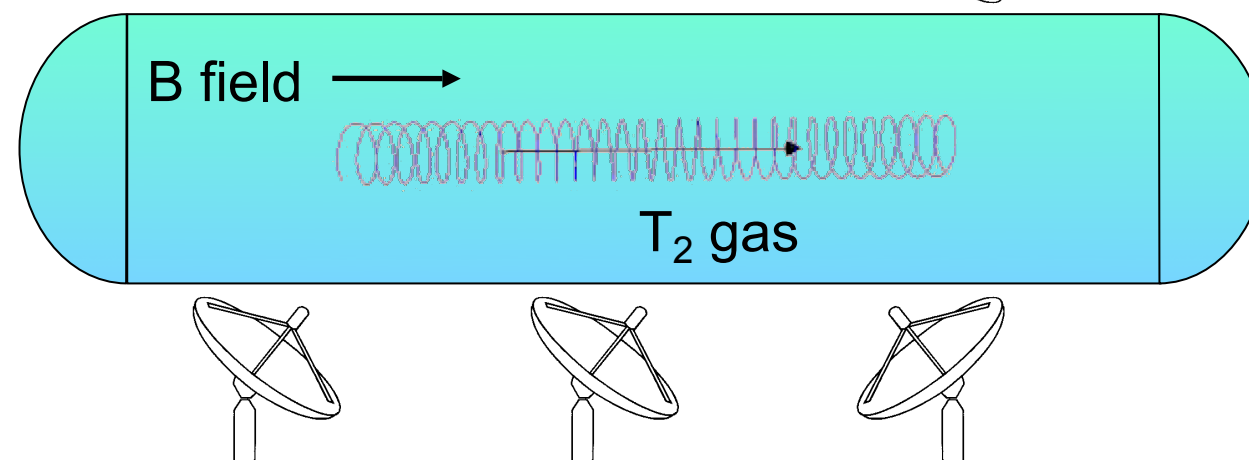
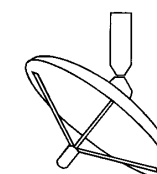
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- Use cyclotron frequency to extract electron energy.

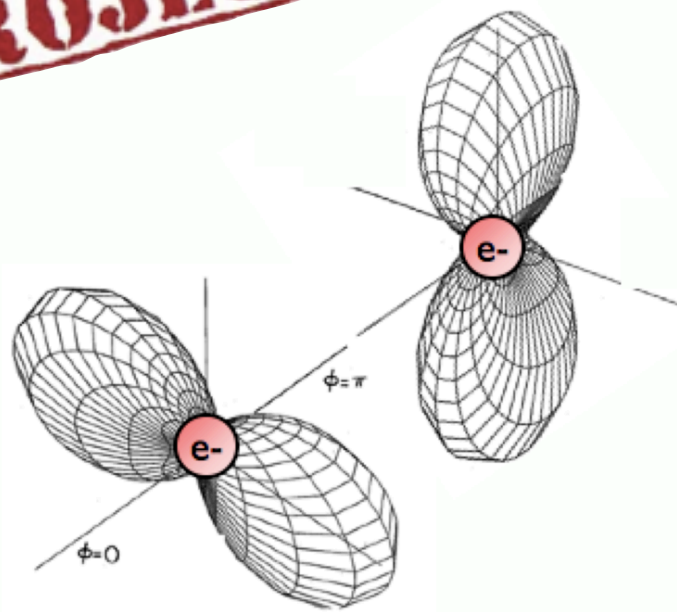
$$\omega(\gamma) = \frac{\omega_0}{\gamma} = \frac{eB}{K + m_e}$$

- Non-destructive measurement of electron energy.

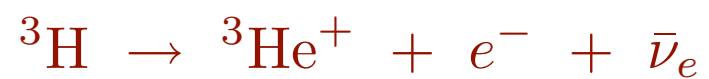


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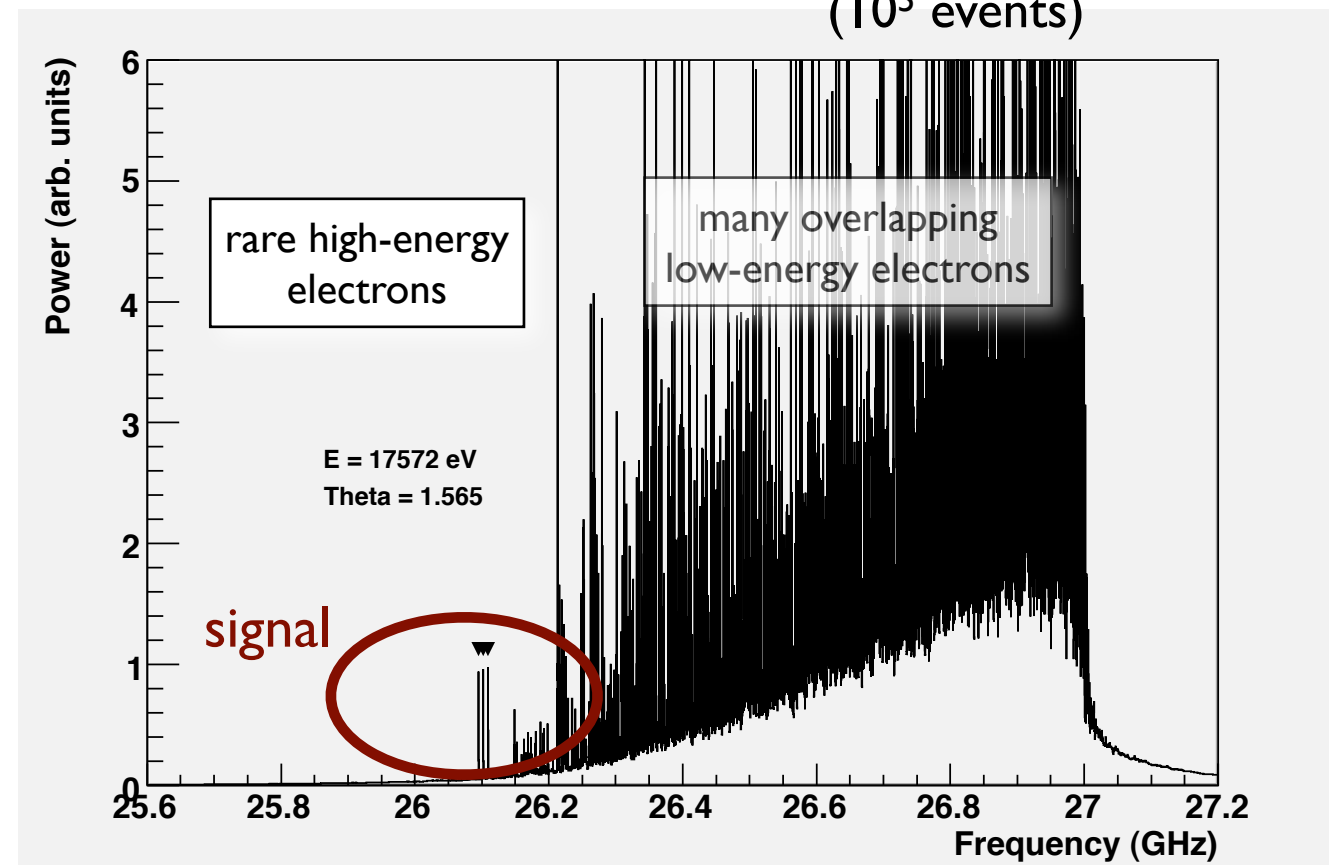
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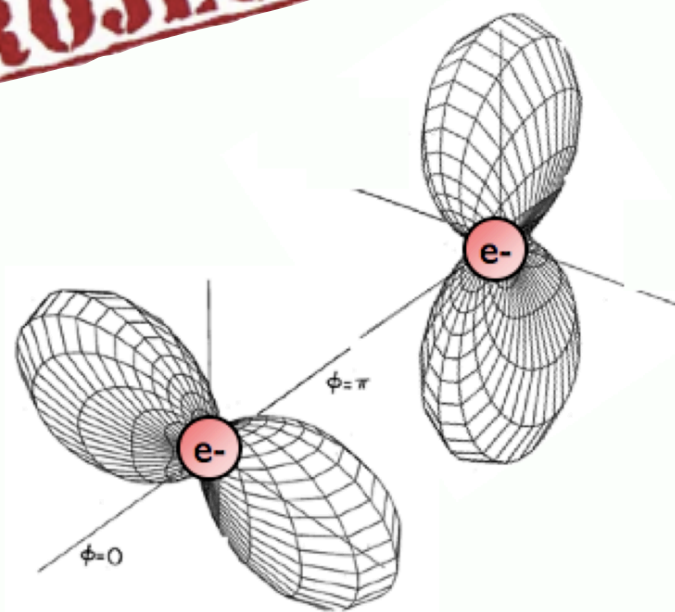
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Simulation run
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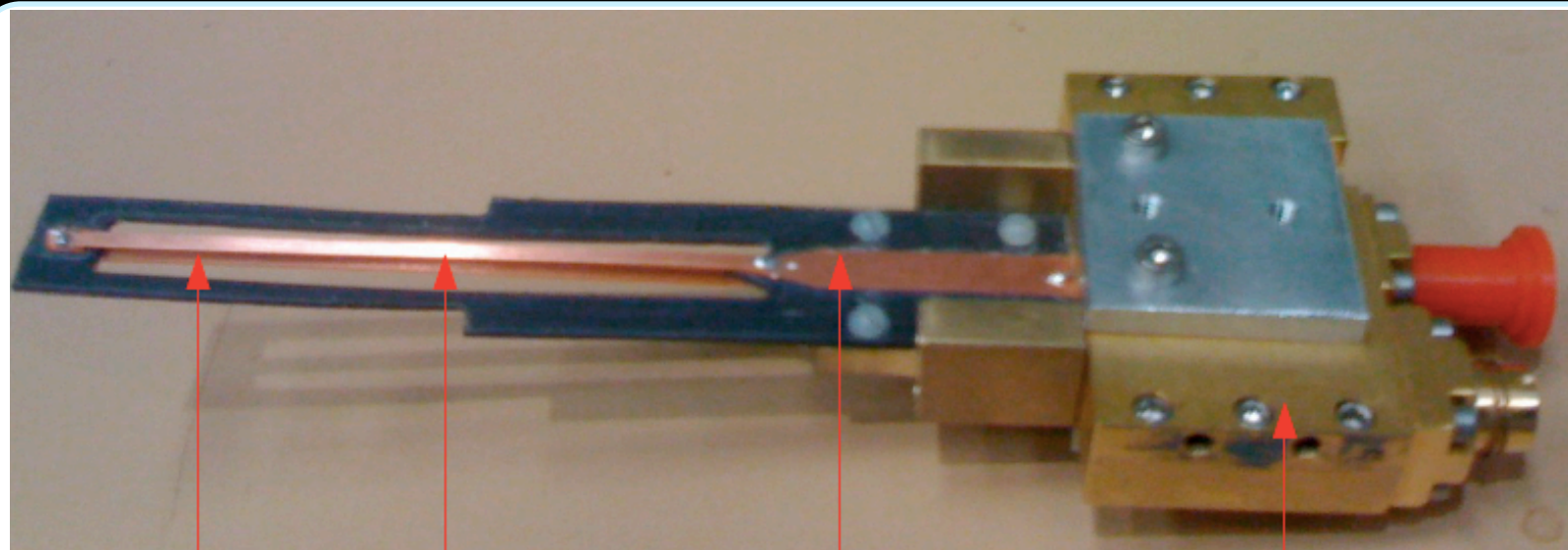
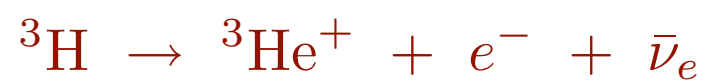


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Copper strips

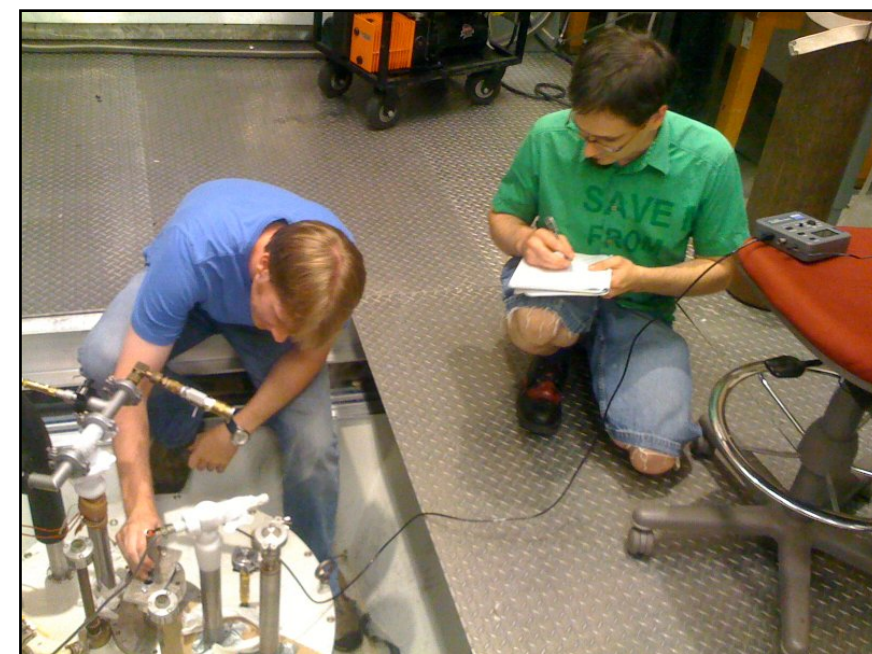
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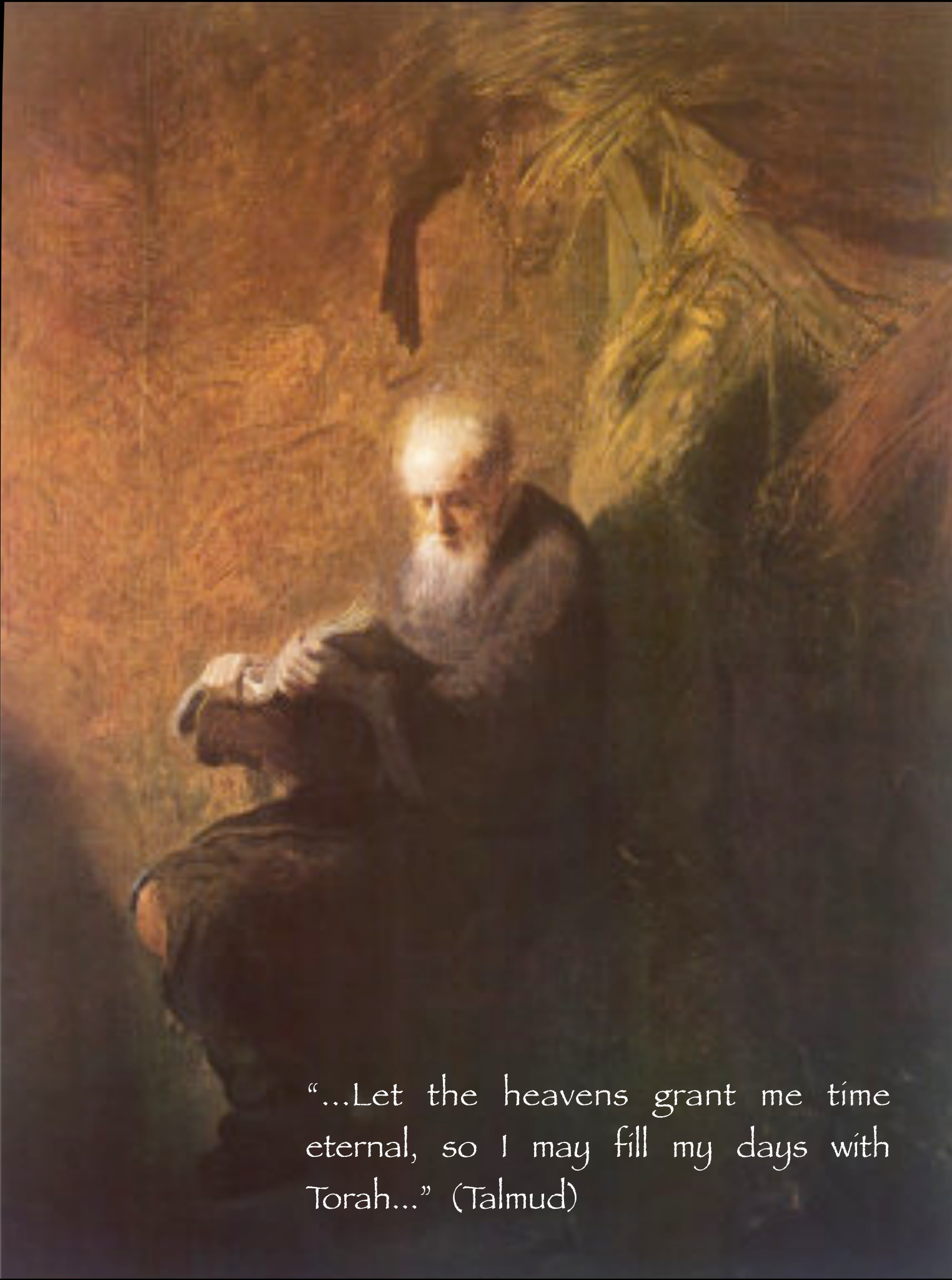
Wire antenna

Low noise GHz amplifier



Magnetic bottle
1 T field (27 GHz)





“...Let the heavens grant me time
eternal, so I may fill my days with
Torah...” (Talmud)

Measuring ν masses

(the framework)

Measuring neutrinos from the Heavens

(cosmology)

Measuring neutrinos on Earth

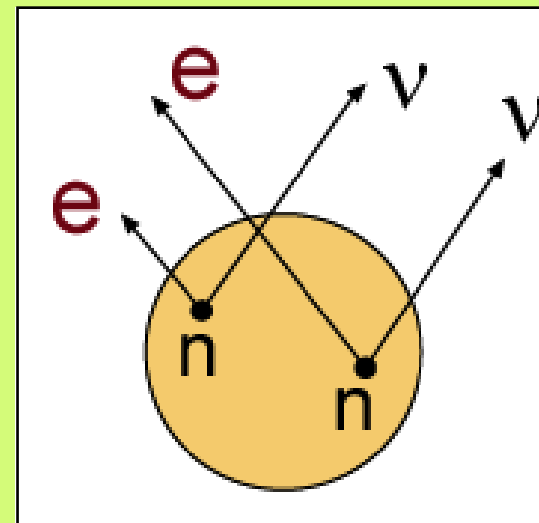
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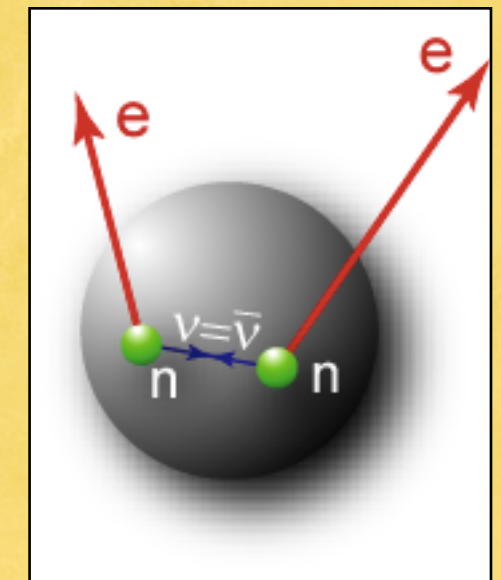
(Neutrinoless double beta decay)

Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay

- Clear decay signature (peak at endpoint) sensitive to Majorana neutrino masses.
- To be seen, two conditions must hold:
 - (1) Non-zero neutrino mass.
 - (2) Lepton number violation.
- Currently a strong focus of the experimental neutrino community.

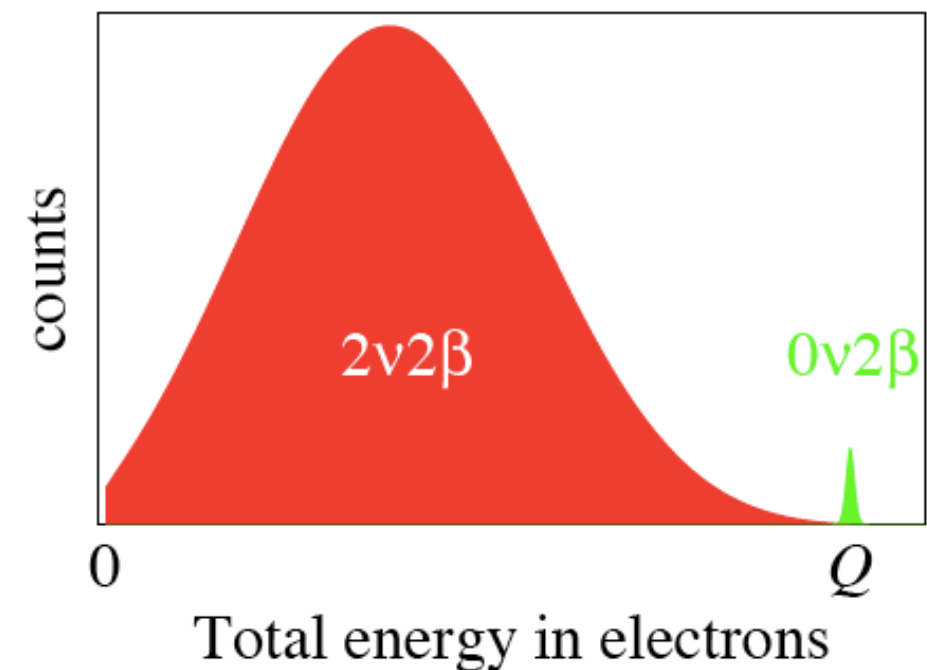


$2\nu 2\beta$



$0\nu 2\beta$
Golden Mode

$$m_{\beta\beta} = \left| \sum_{i=1}^{n_\nu} U_{ei}^2 m_i \right|$$



Lifetime and Masses

$$(T_{\frac{1}{2}}^{0\nu})^{-1} = G^{0\nu} |M^{0\nu}|^2 m_{\beta\beta}^2$$

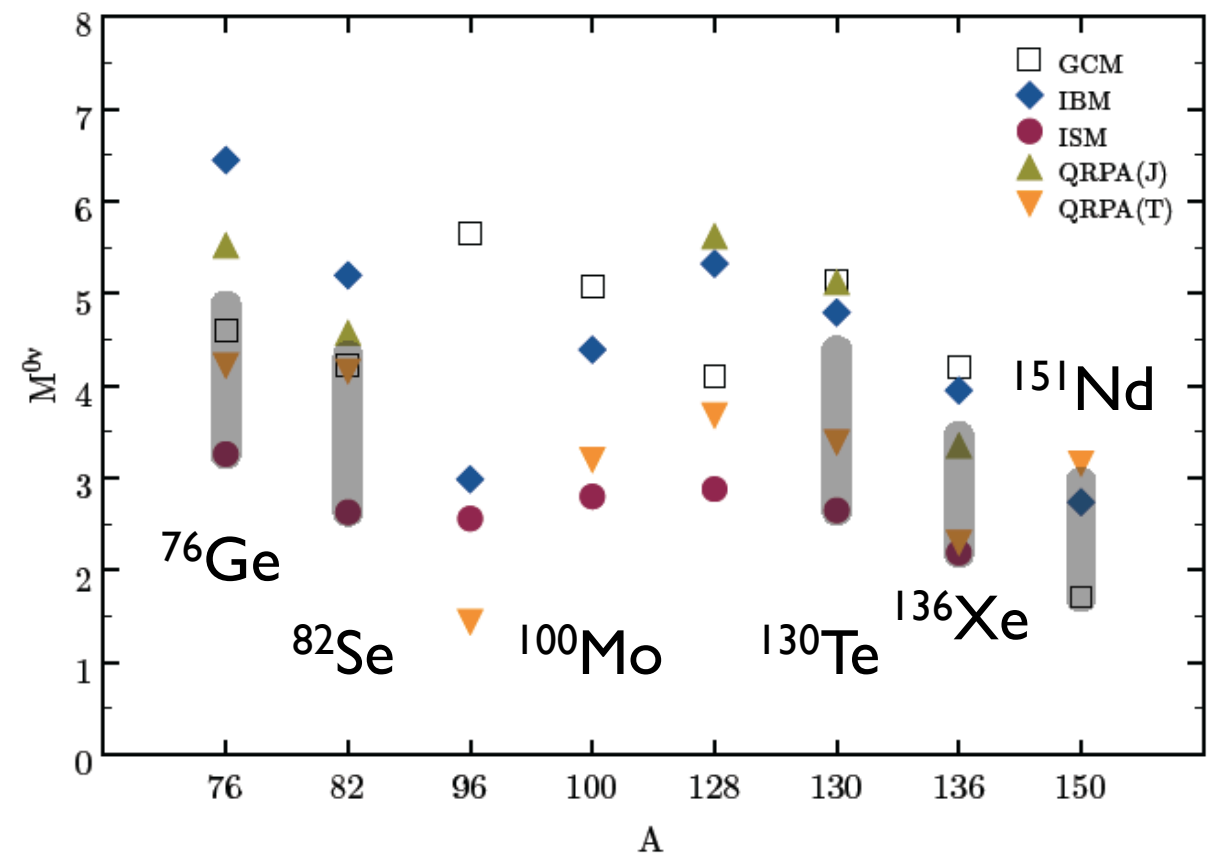
Phase space term

Matrix element

Majorana mass term

- Technology often dictated by the isotope selected.
- Positive signal establishes Majorana property of lepton violation. Neutrino mass amplitude a bit harder to extract.
- Calculations of matrix elements have seen better agreement (Interacting Shell Model, Quasi Random Phase Approximation, etc.)

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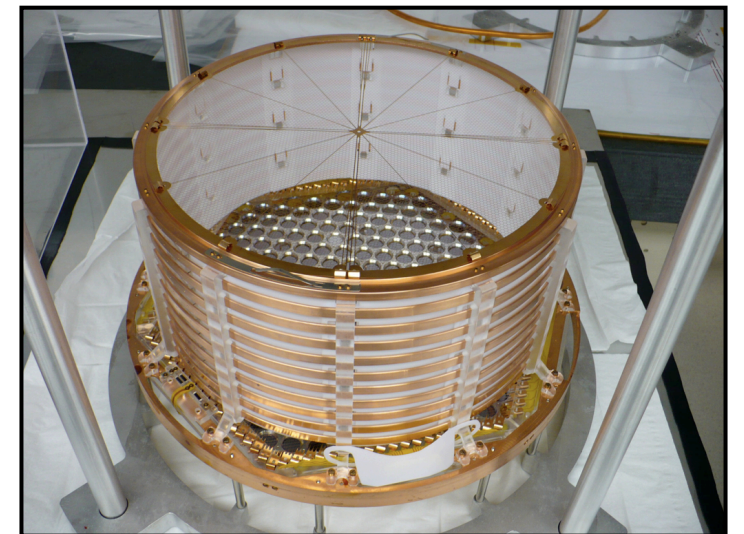


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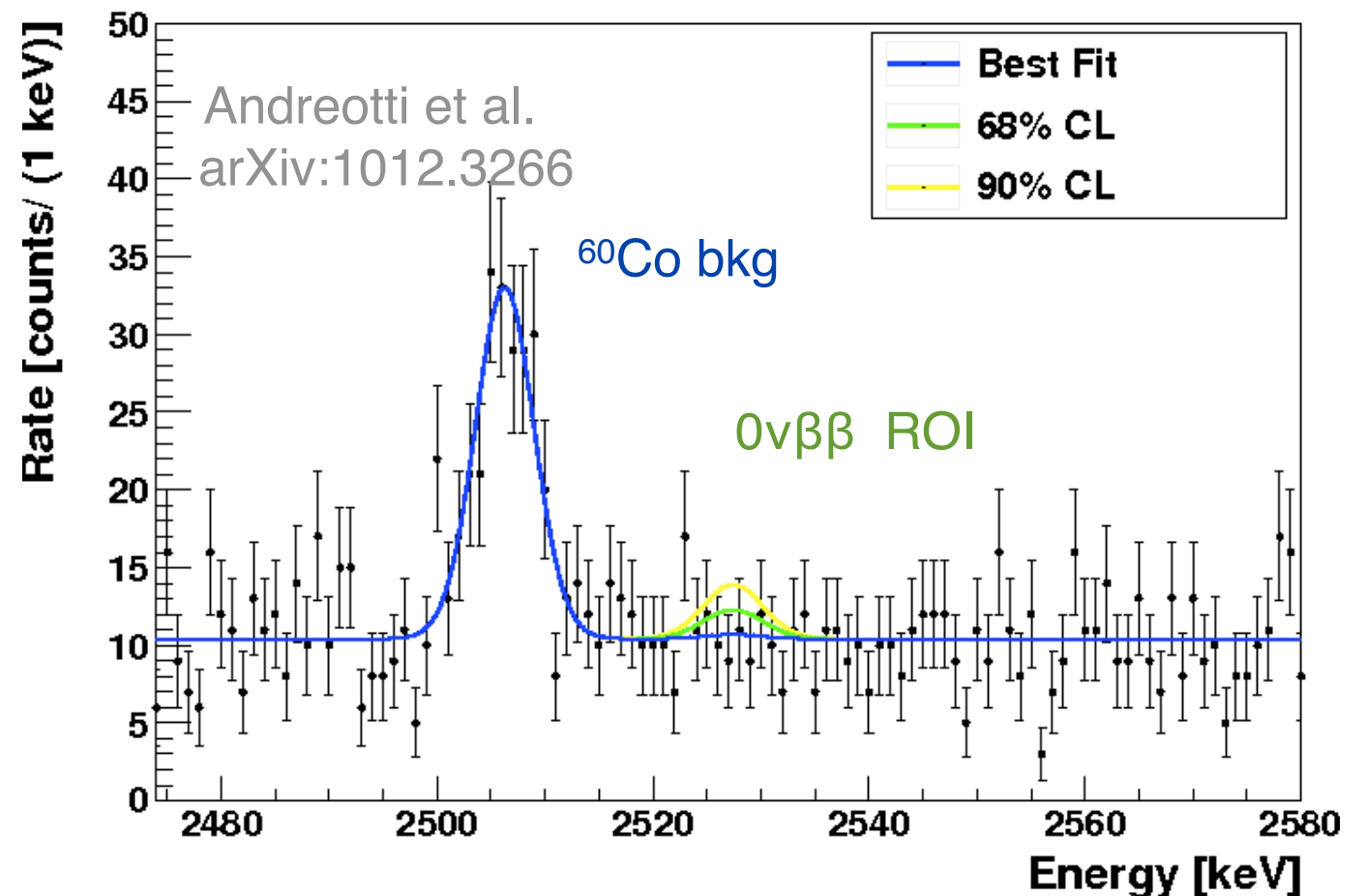
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CUORE & CUORICINO

- Uses 20 kg ^{130}Te (very high natural abundance $\sim 30\%$)
- High endpoint for background suppression.
- Cuoricino results, upgrade to CUORE.



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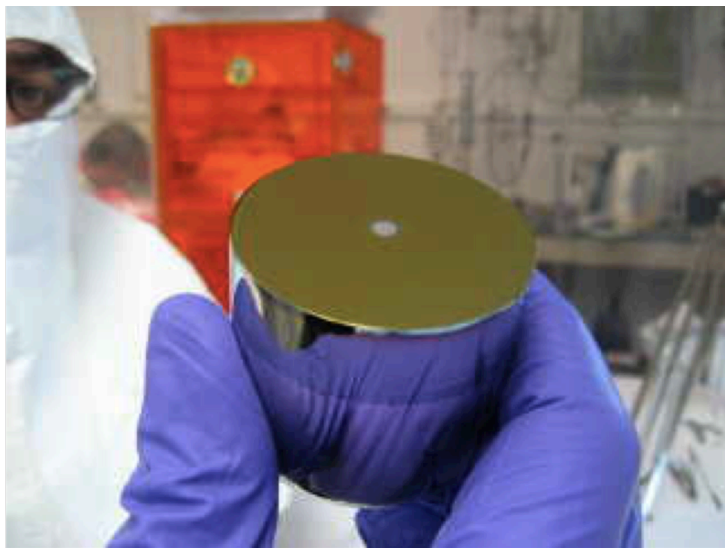
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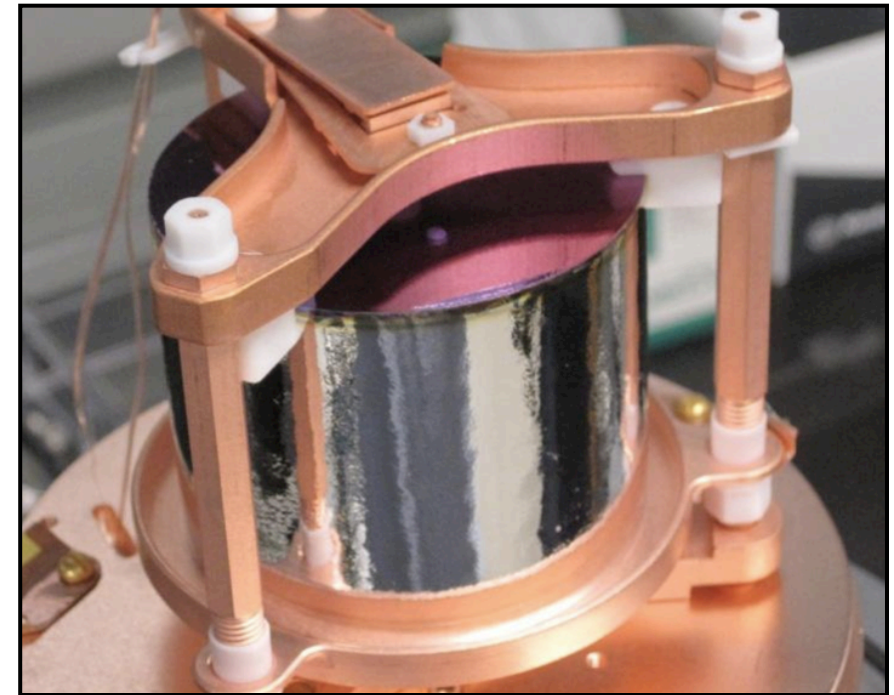
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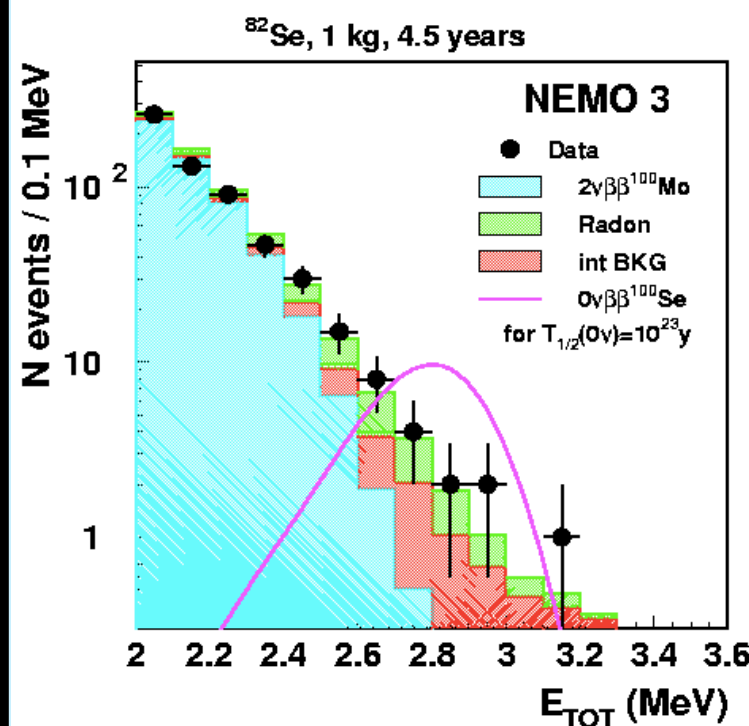
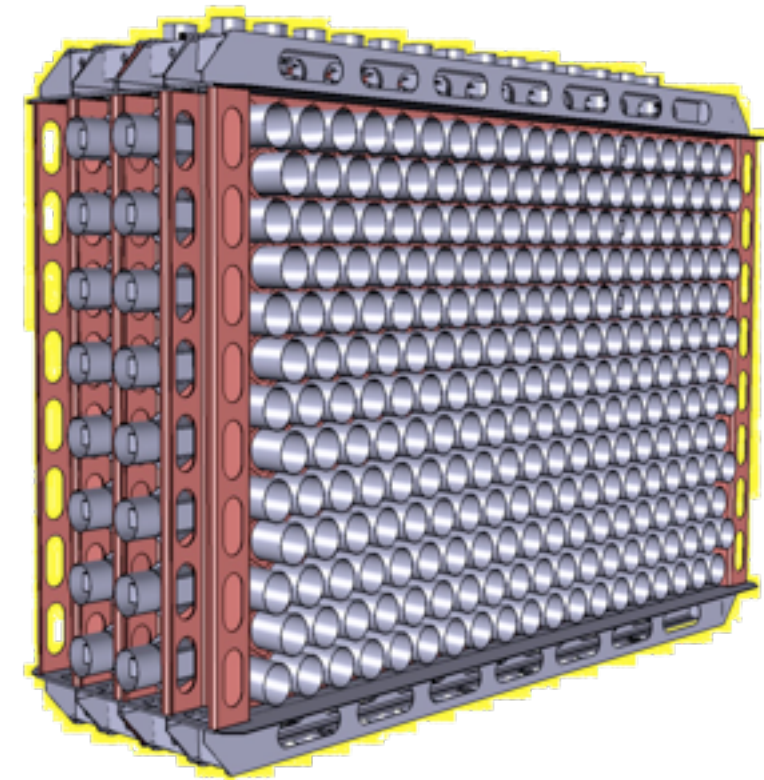
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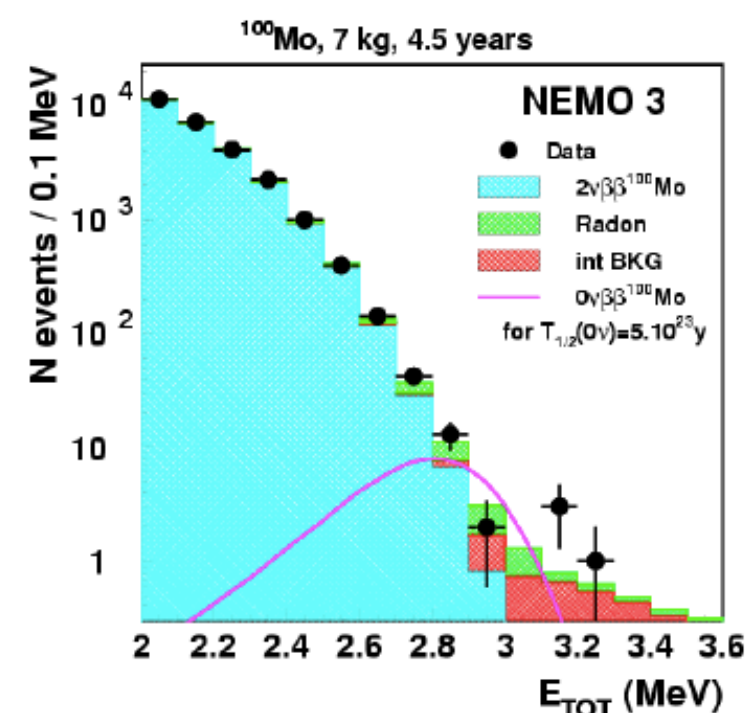
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NEMO3 & SuperNeMO

- Full electron track reconstruction (use tracking & calorimetry).
- Multiple isotopes in use (in particular, ^{100}Mo and ^{82}Se).
- Excellent sample of $2\nu\beta\beta$ events collected.



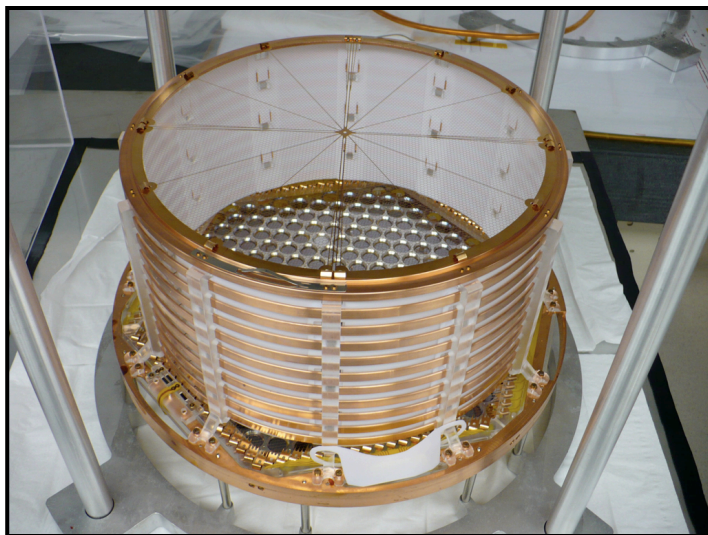
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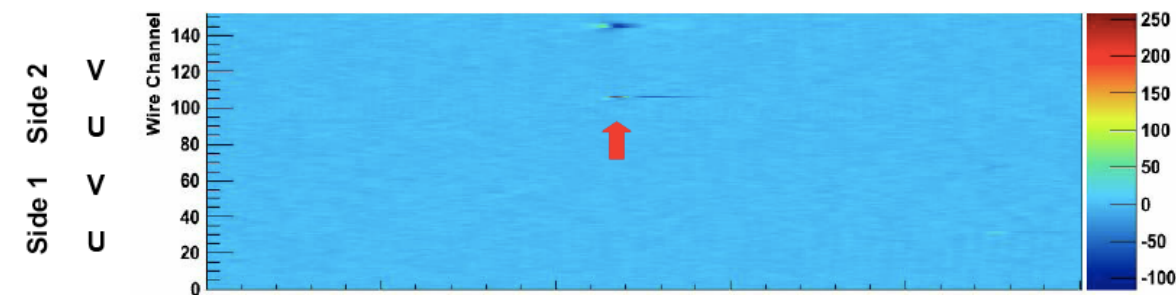
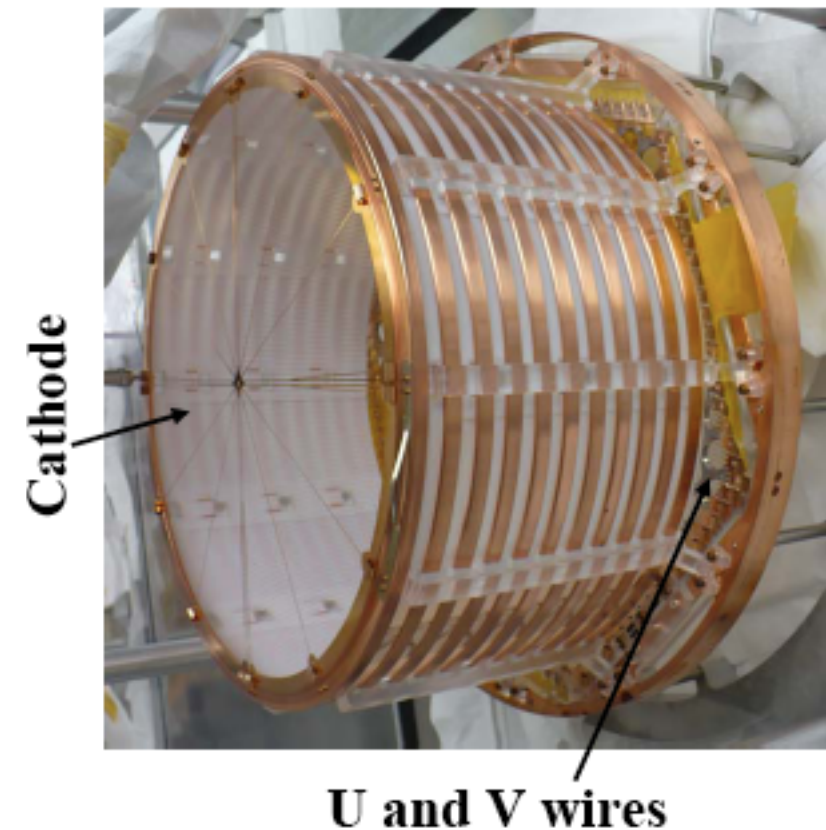
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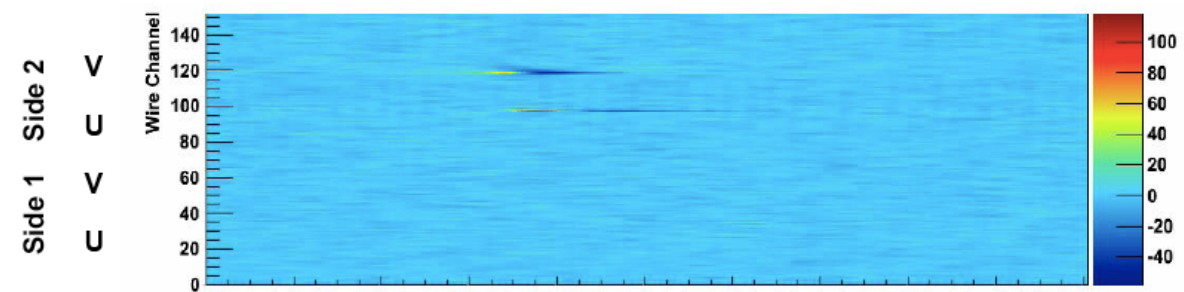
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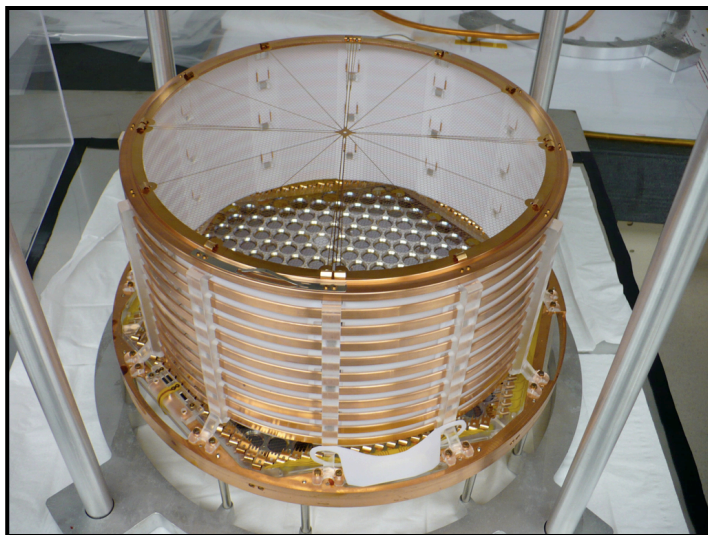
^{214}Bi candidate



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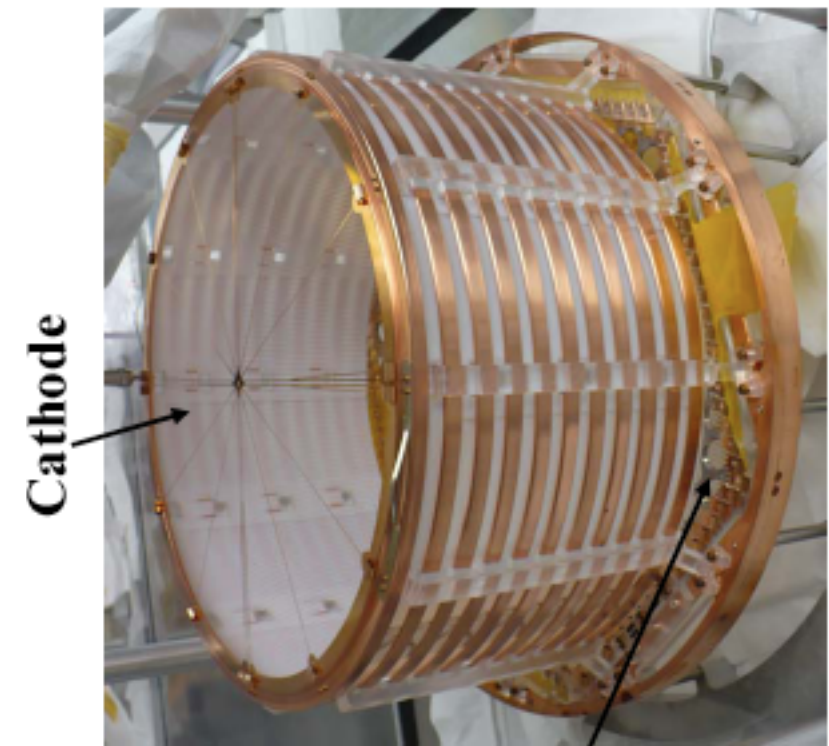
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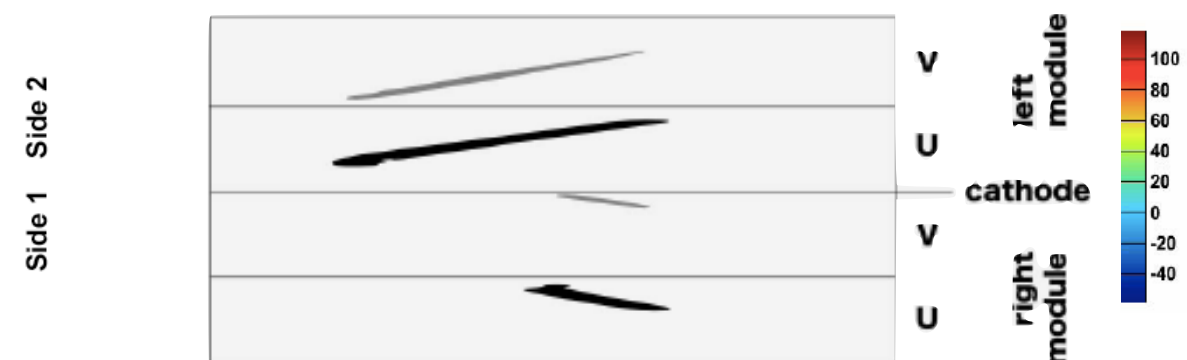
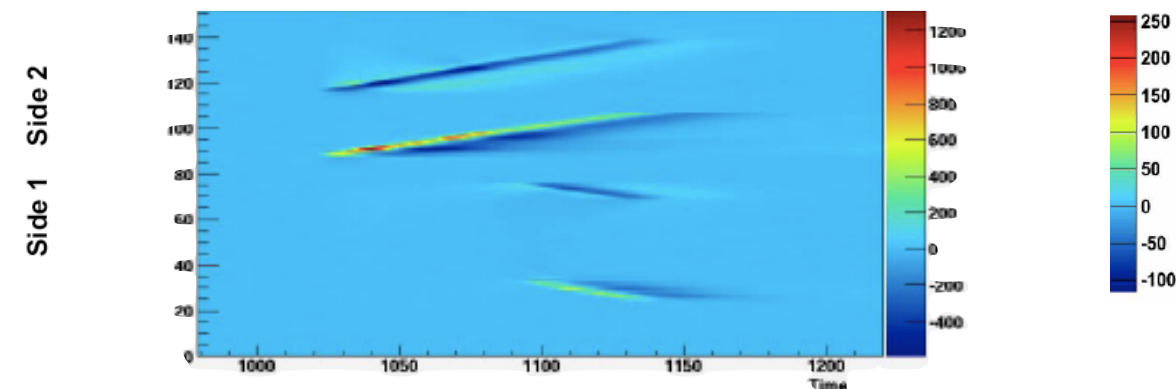
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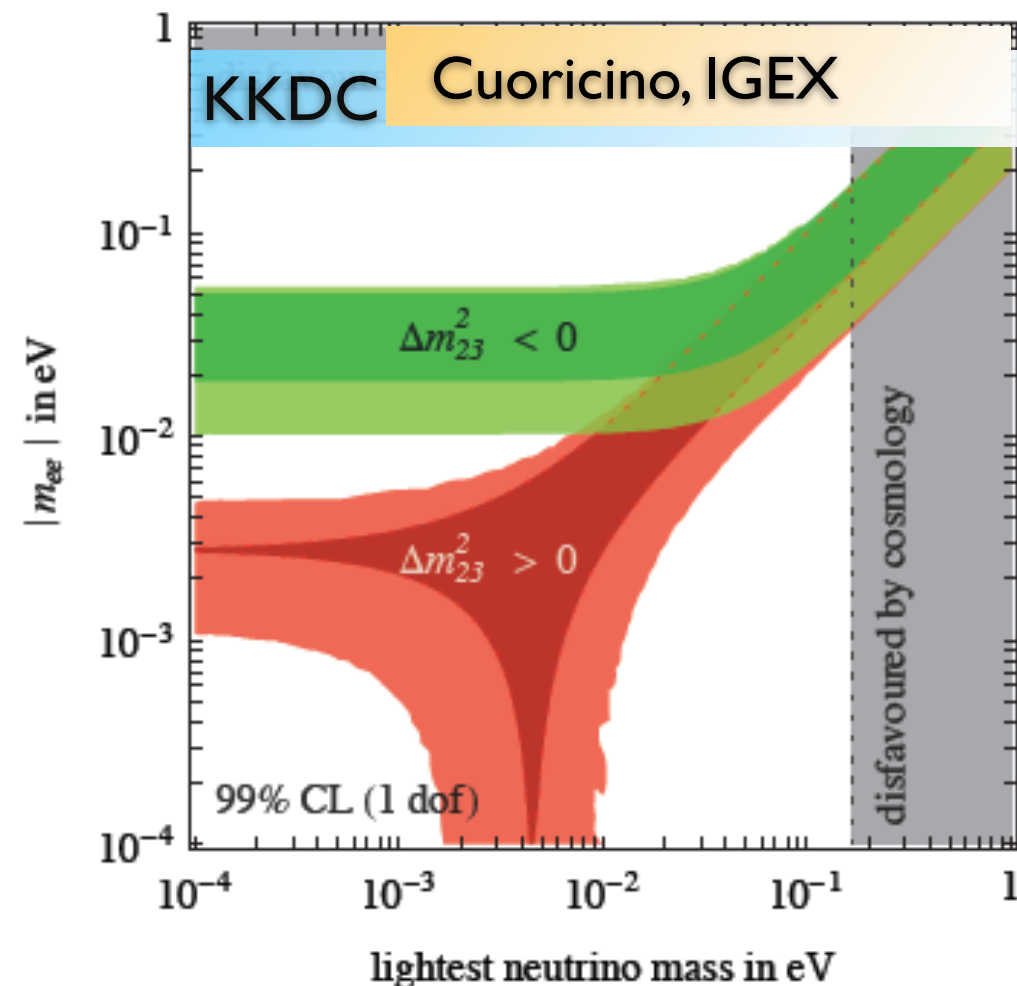
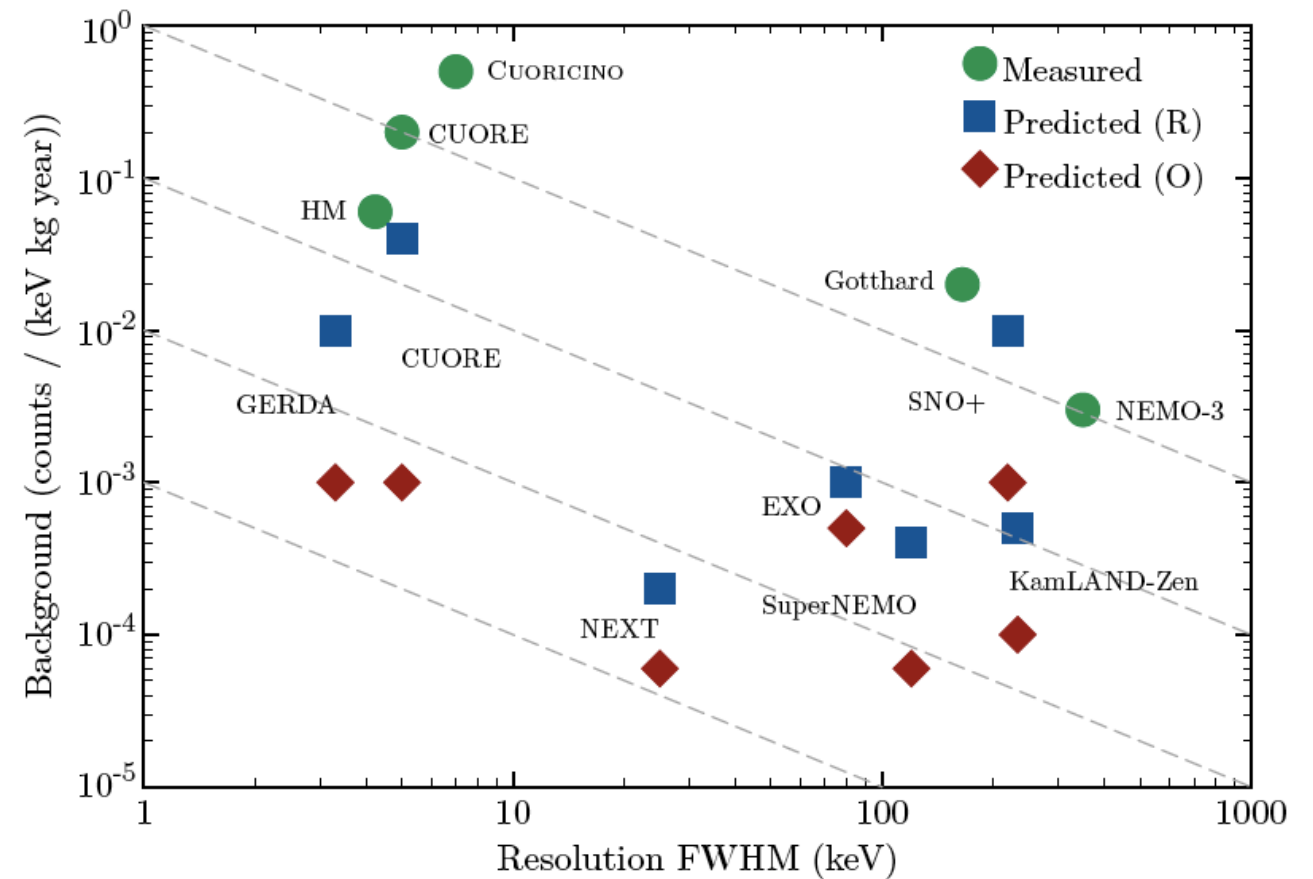


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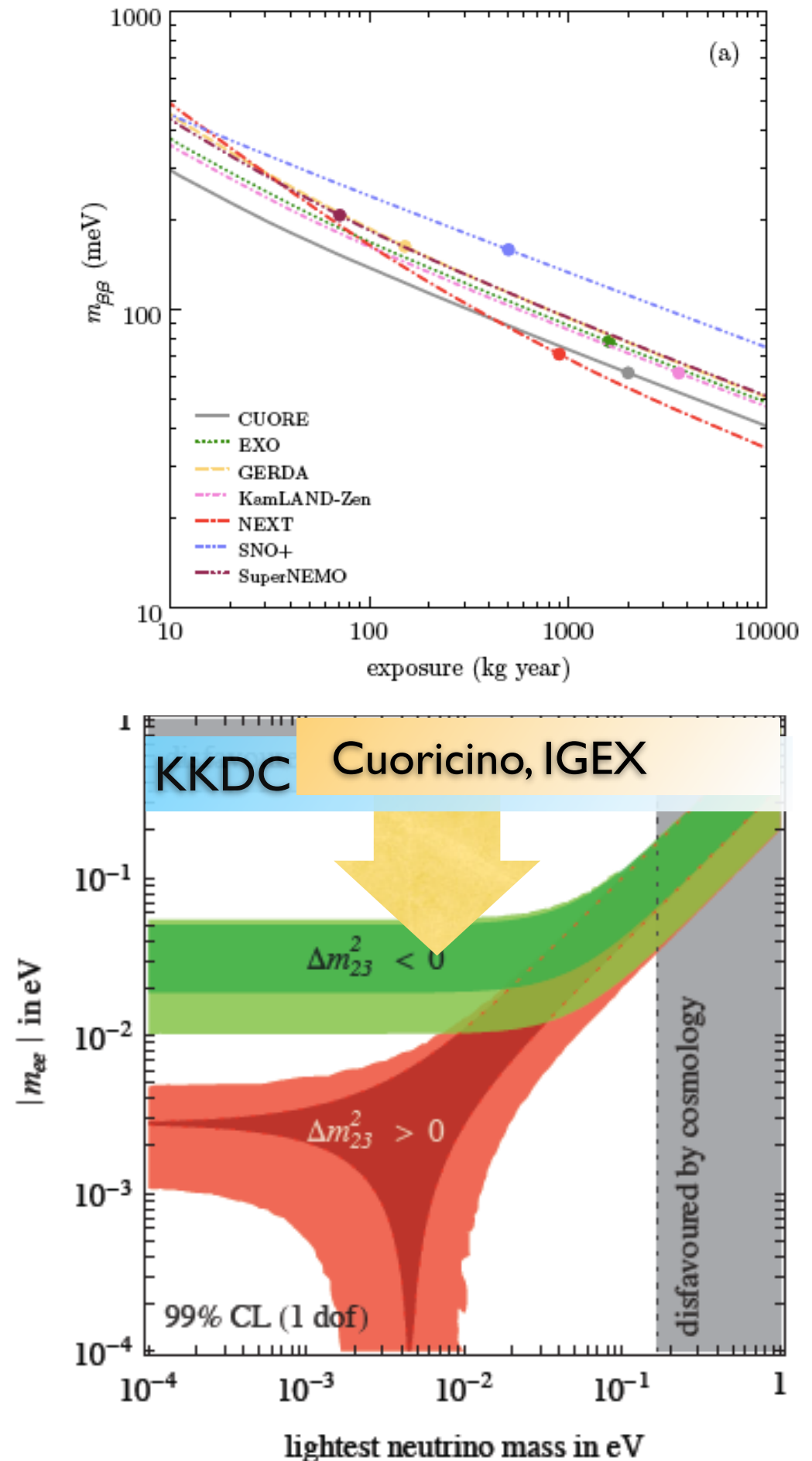
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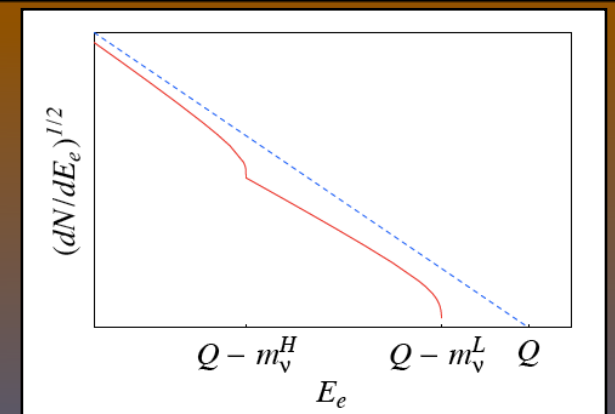
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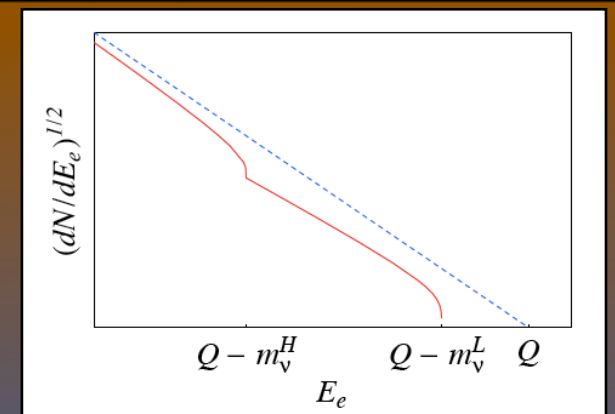
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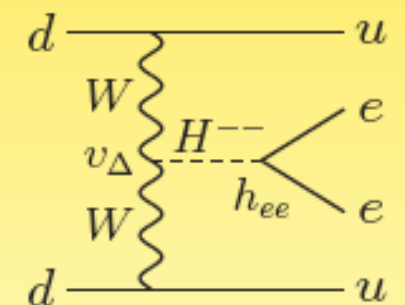
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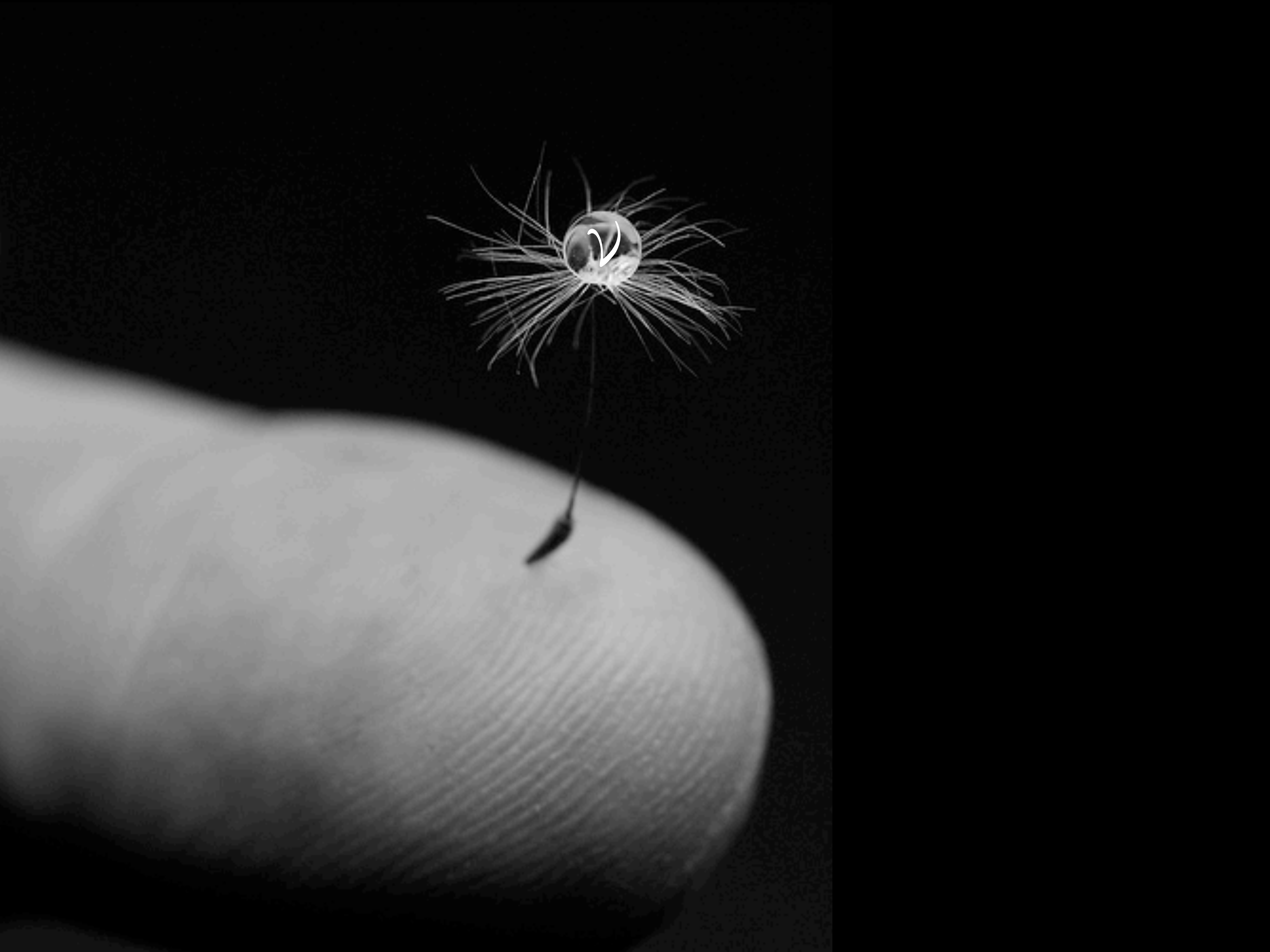


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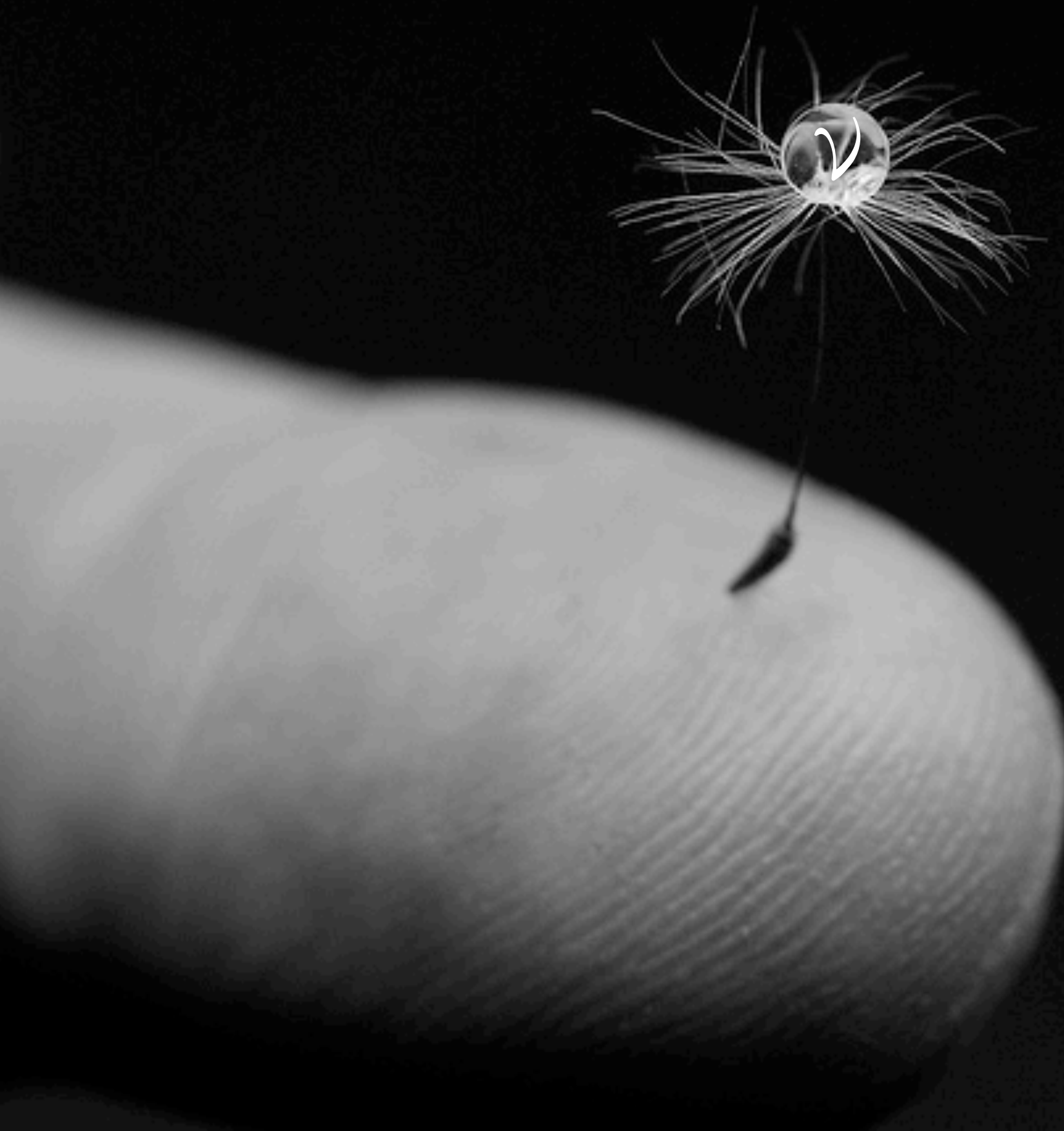


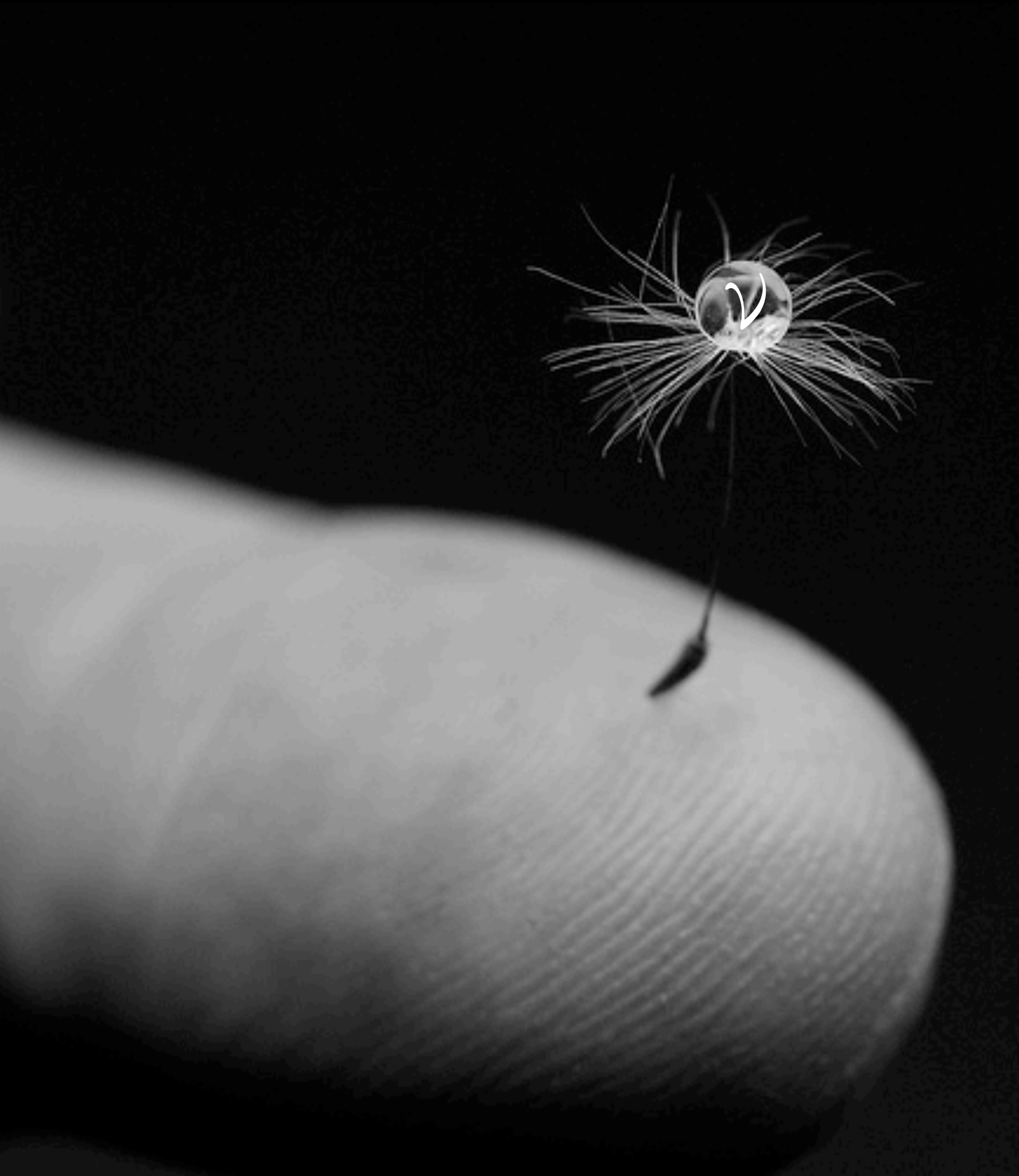
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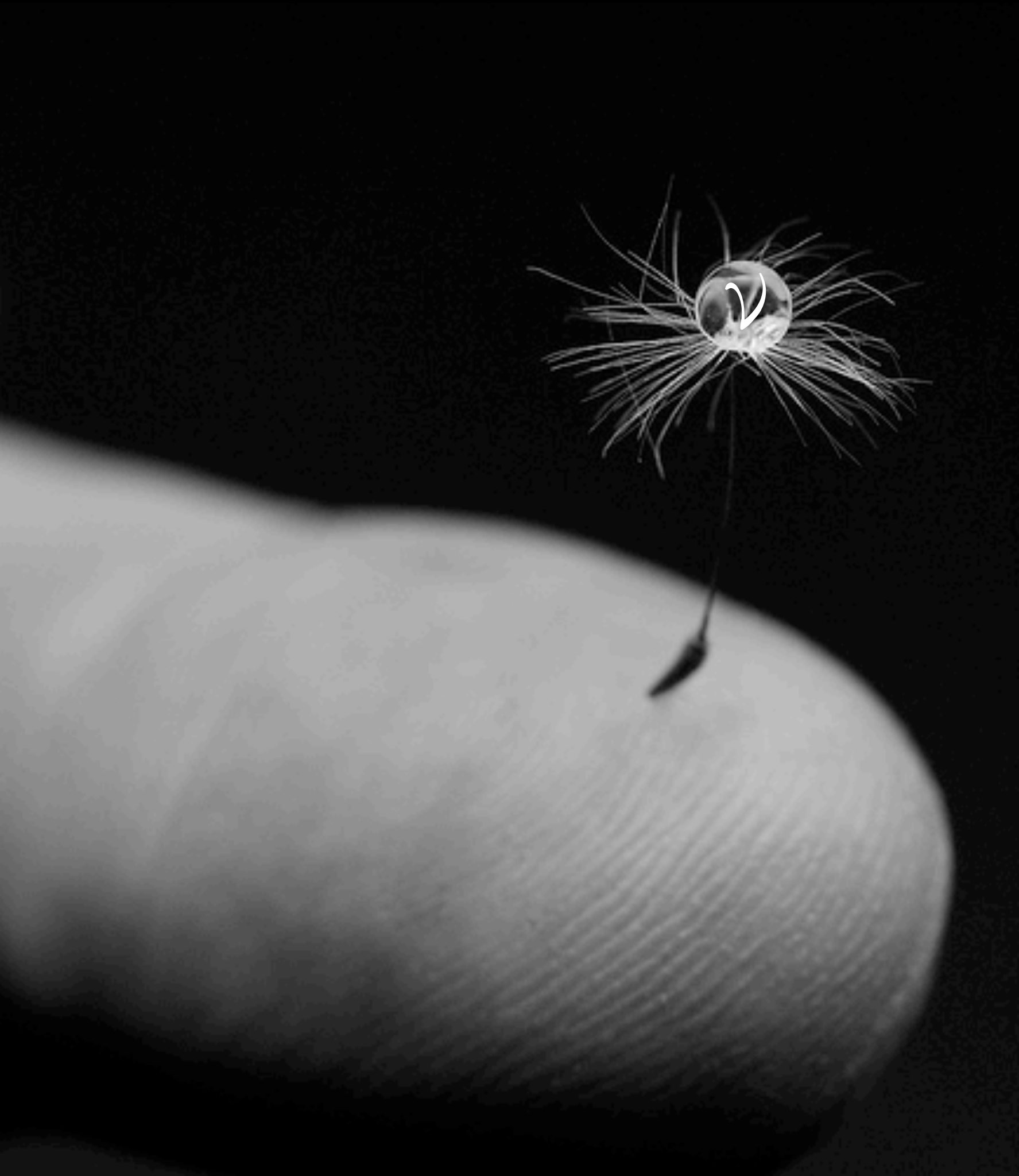
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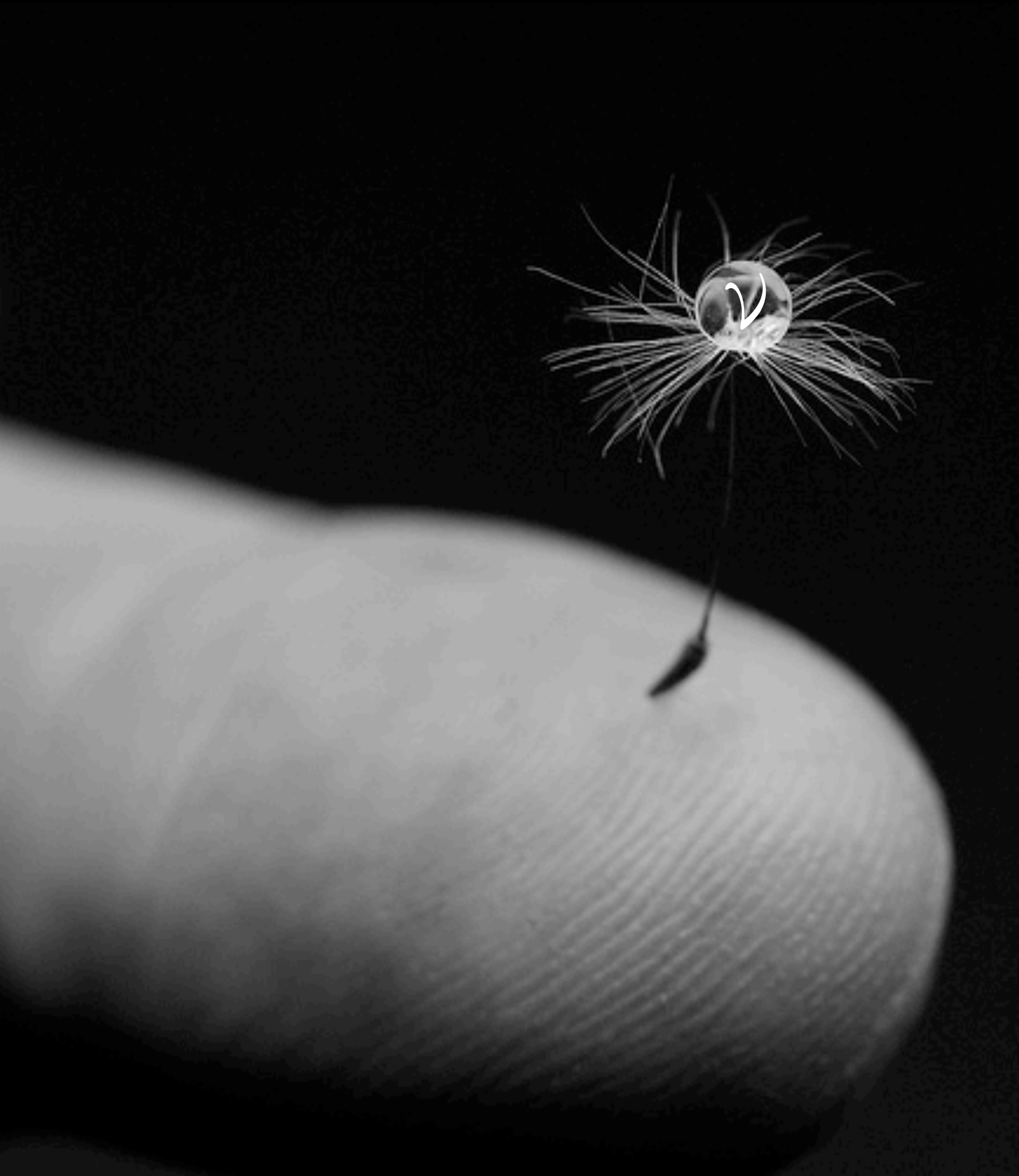
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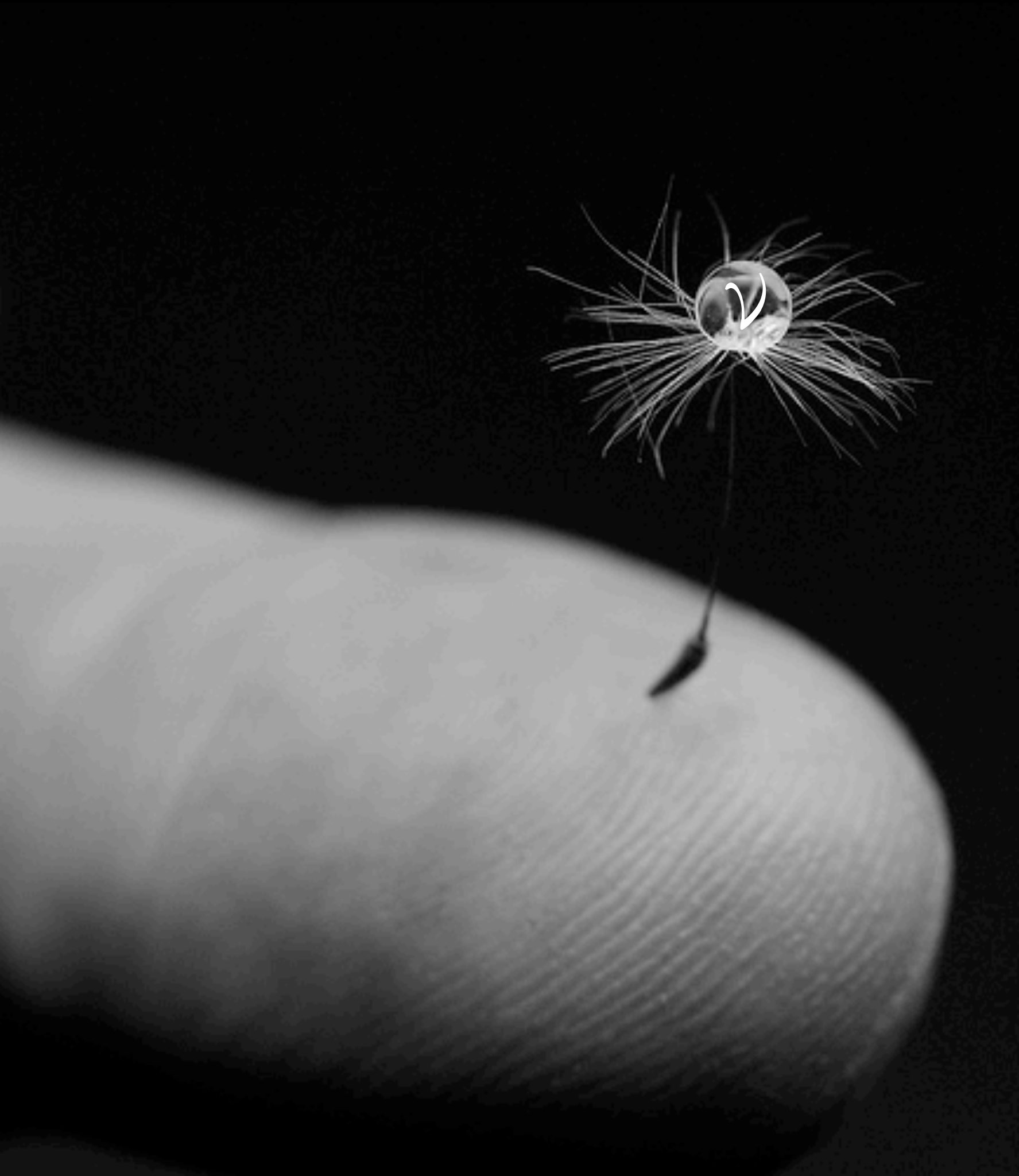


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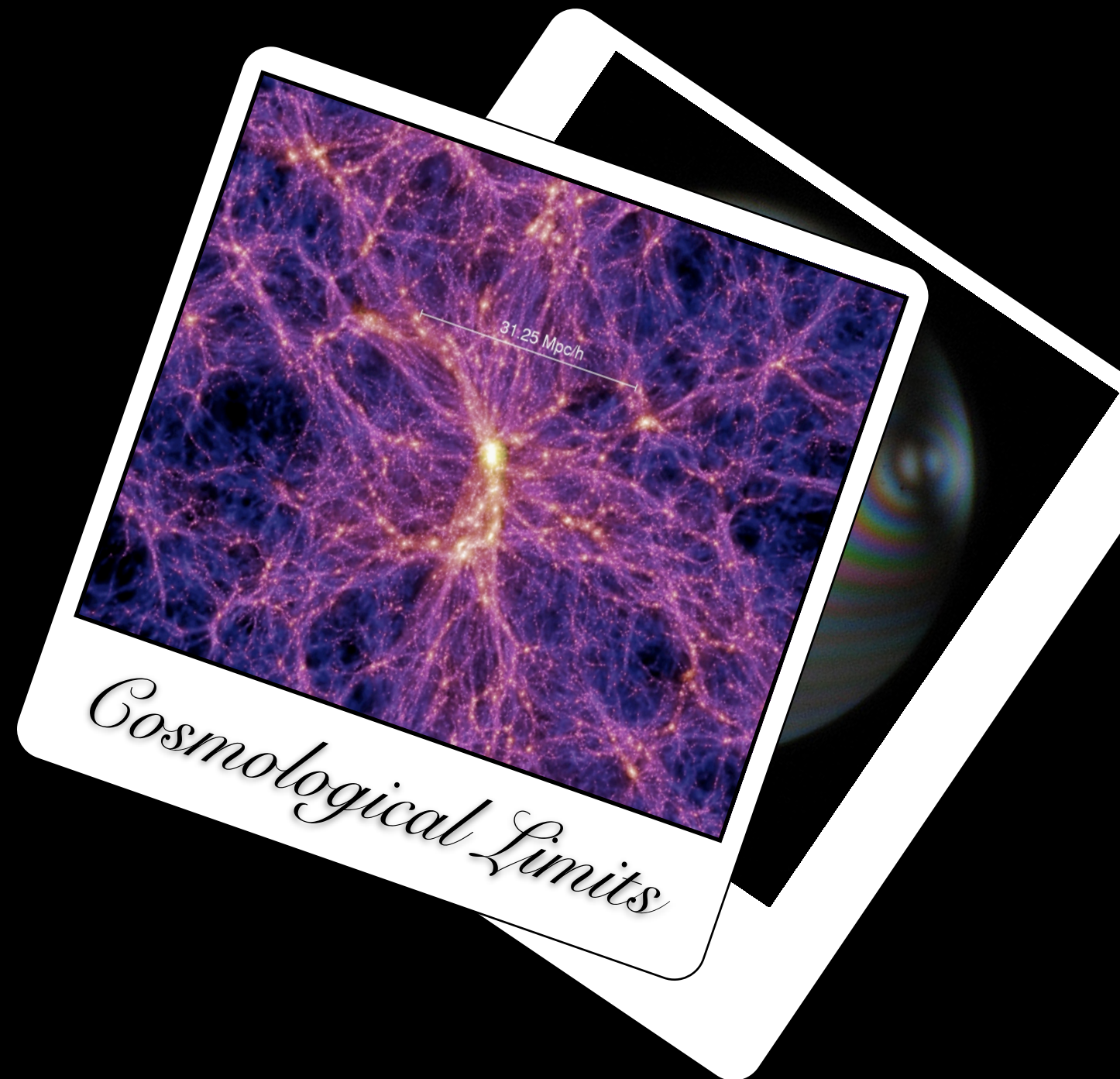
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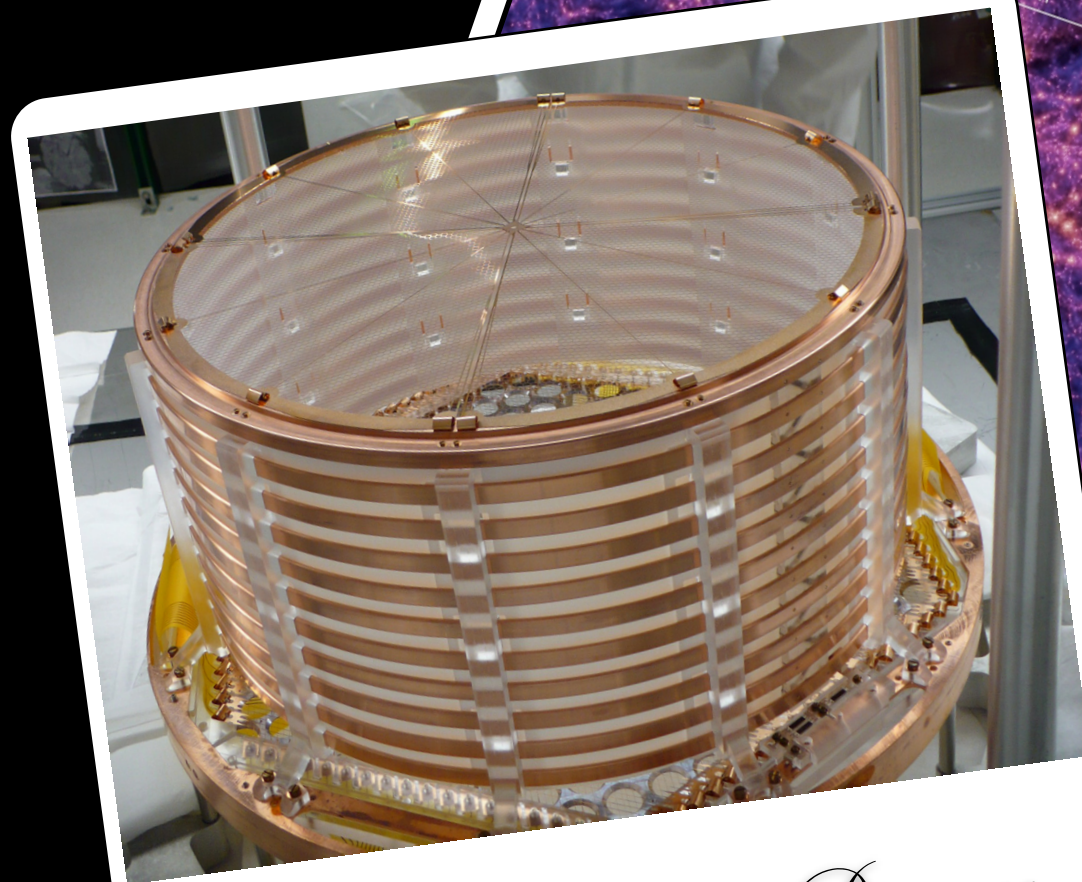
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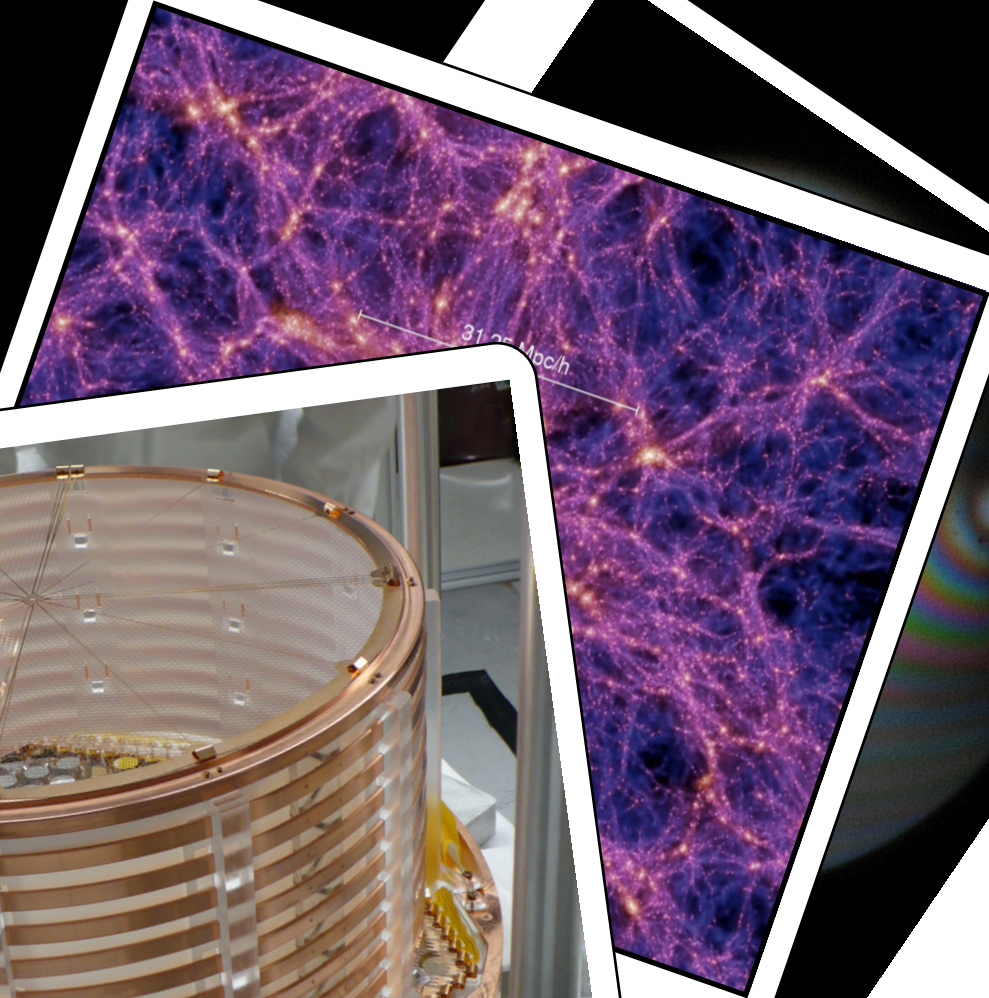


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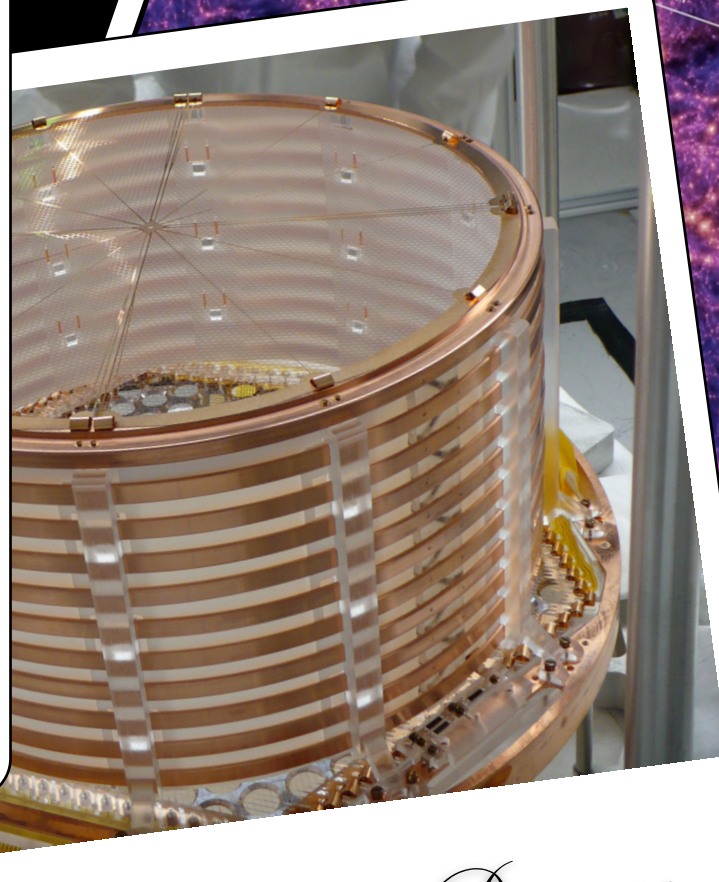


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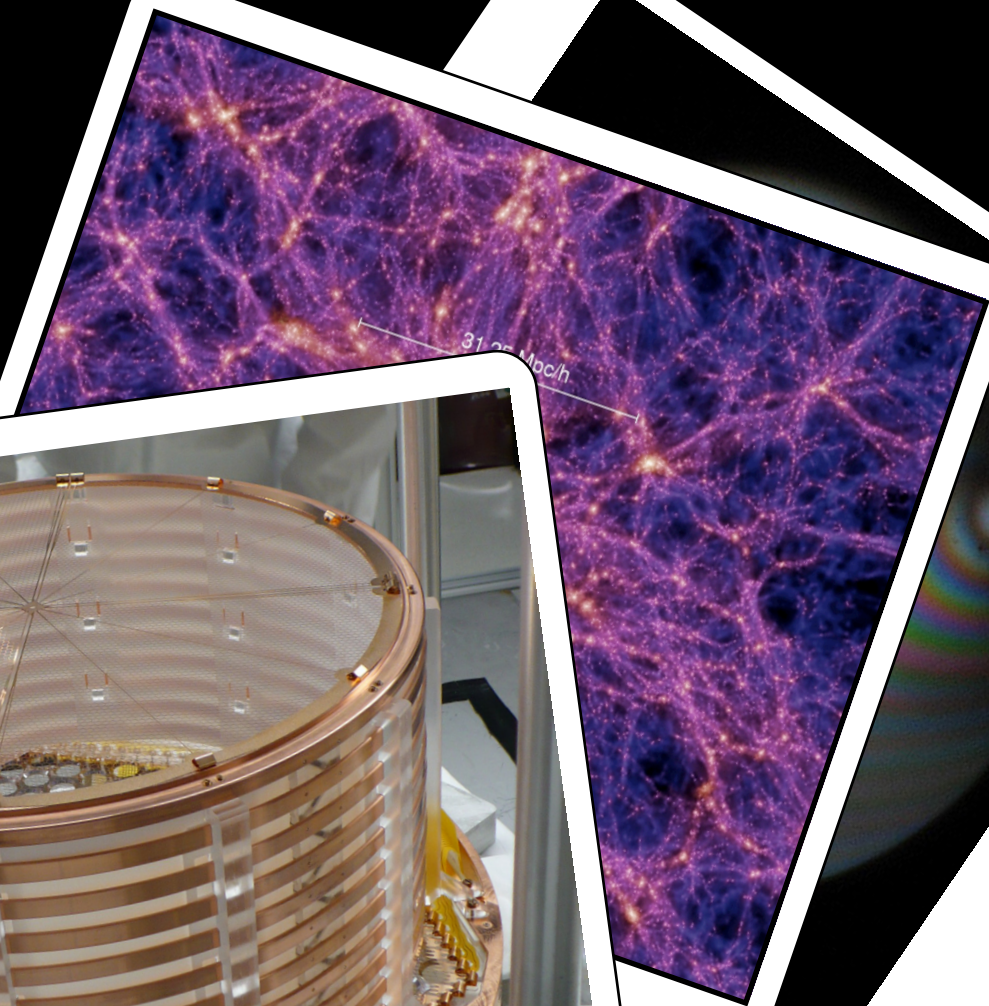
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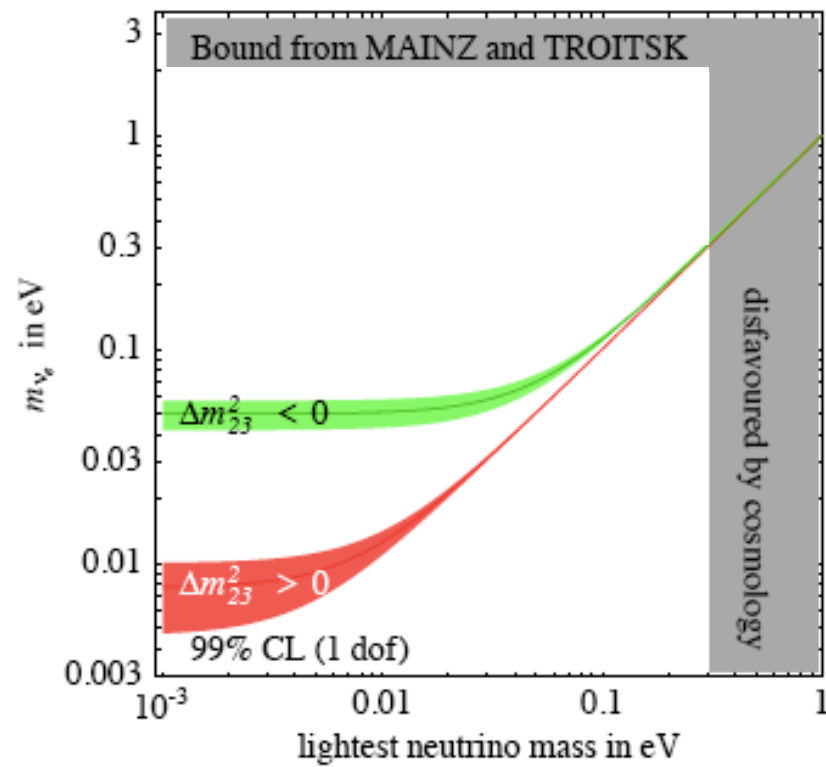
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Q & A

What We Know

- (1) Neutrinos *do* have mass (and we measure these mass differences very well).
- (2) Neutrinos mix (and we know most of those mixing constants very well)



The Triumph of Cosmology

- The combination of the standard model of particle physics and general relativity allows us to relate events taking place at different epochs together.
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Microwave Background

400 kyr
 $z = 1100$

Nucleosynthesis

3-30 min
 $z = 5 \times 10^8$

Relic Neutrinos

0.18 s
 $z = 1 \times 10^{10}$



Experimental Effort

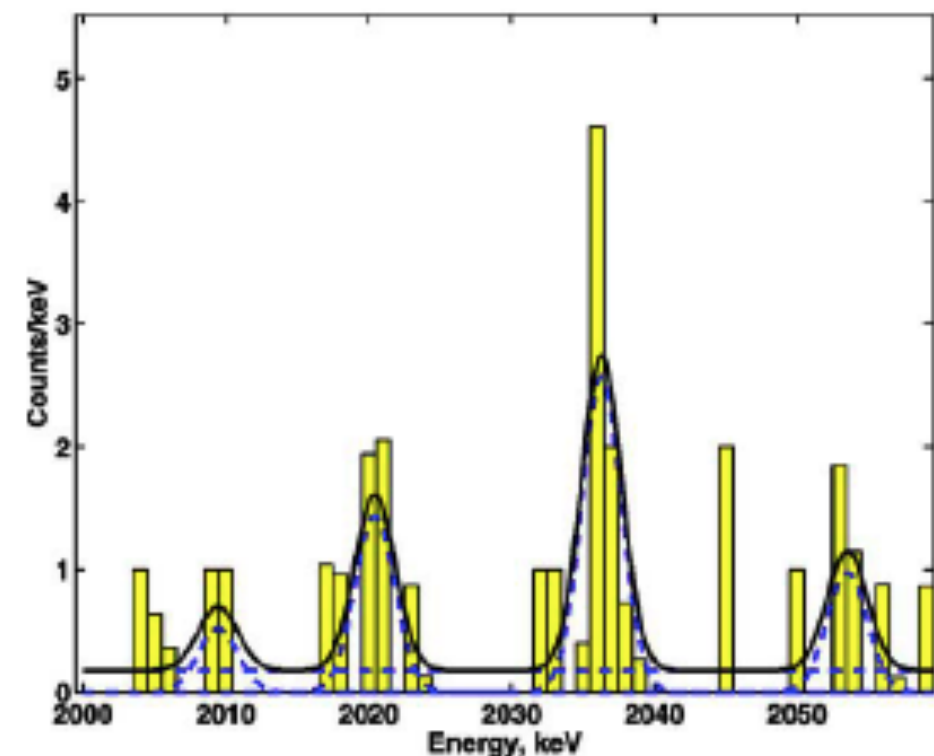
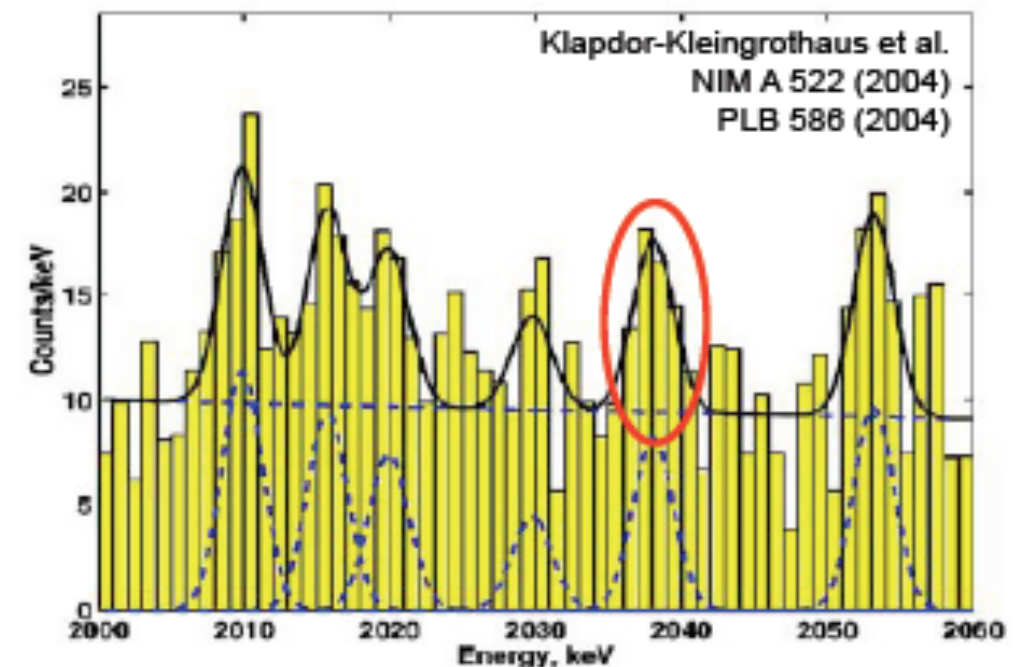
- Future experiments hope to push the sensitivity of $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay limits in order to probe whether the neutrino is its own anti-particle.

- Recent improvements seen in many experiments:

1. Increased target mass
2. Finer energy resolution
3. Material screening and purity
4. Depth
5. Isotope tagging

- Possible hint of signal ?

Possible Hint ?



$$T_{1/2} = (1.19 + 2.99 / -0.5) \times 10^{25} \text{ y}$$
$$0.24 < m_\nu < 0.58 \text{ eV } (3\sigma)$$