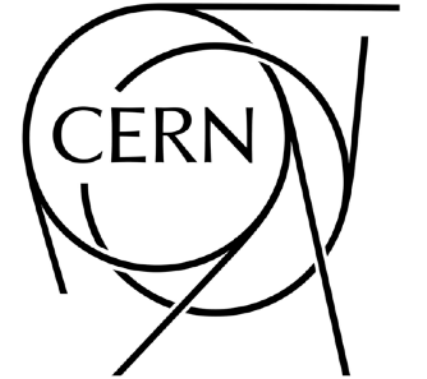
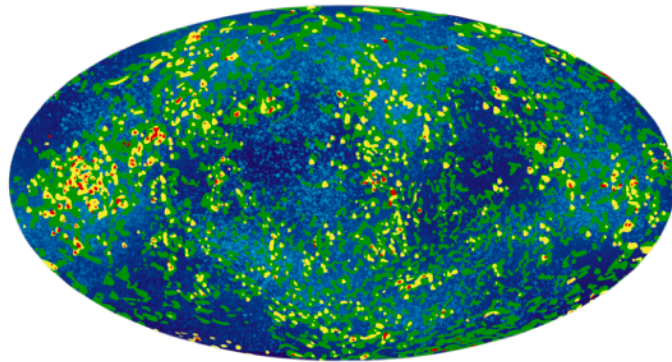




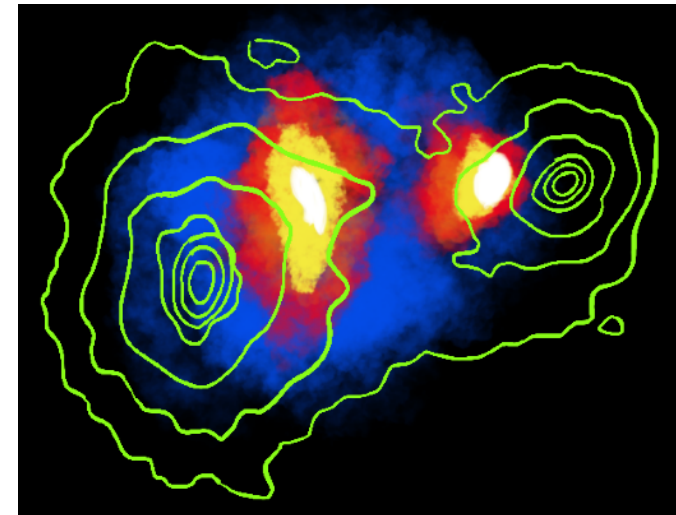
Searches of Low-Mass Dark Matter

Clara Murgui (CERN)

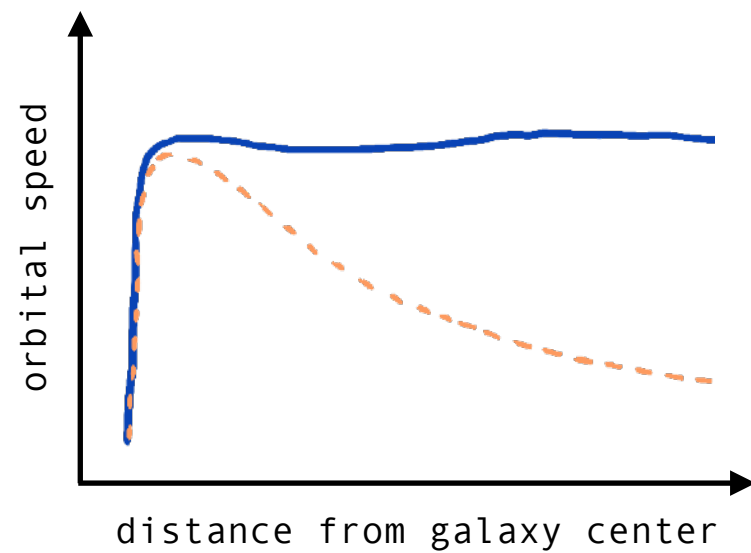
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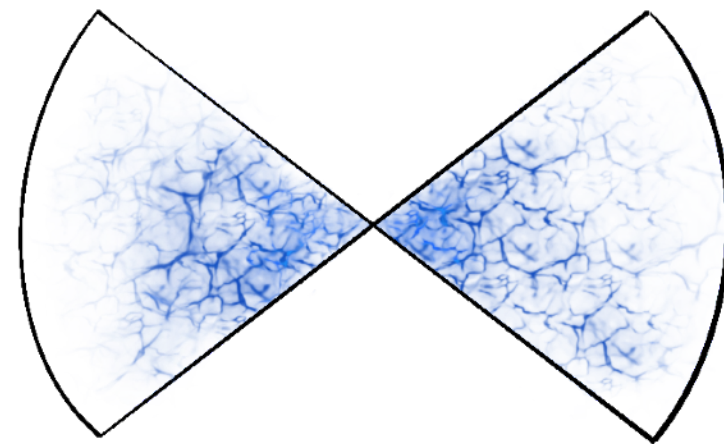
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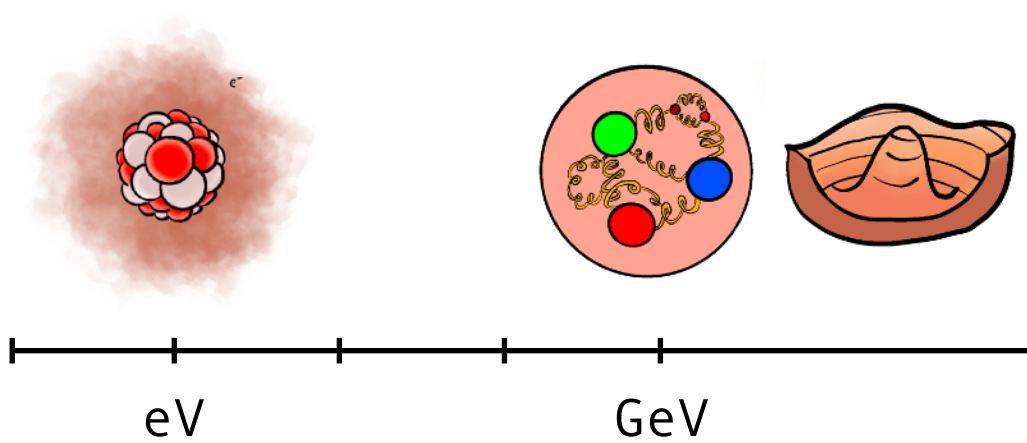
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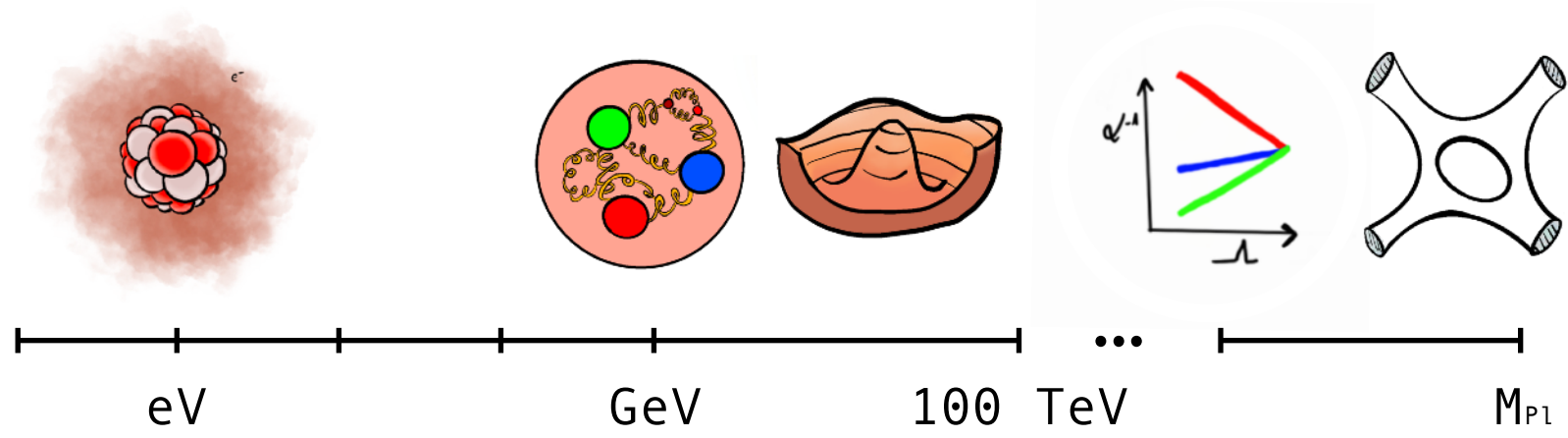


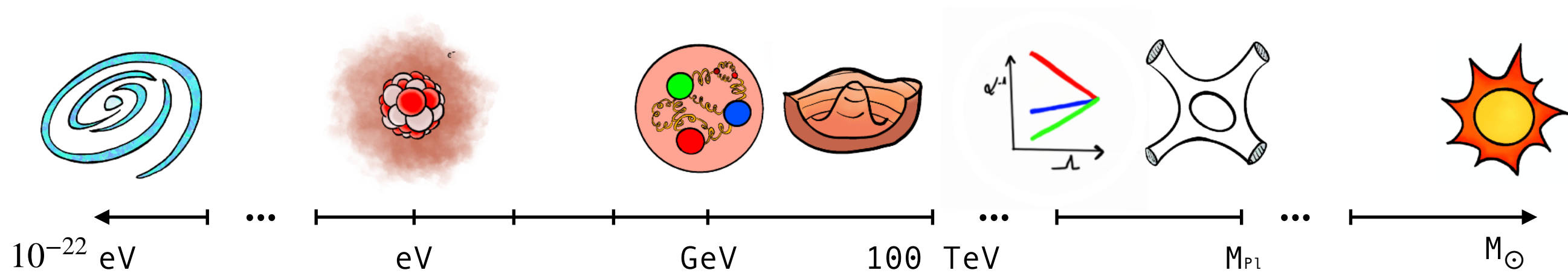
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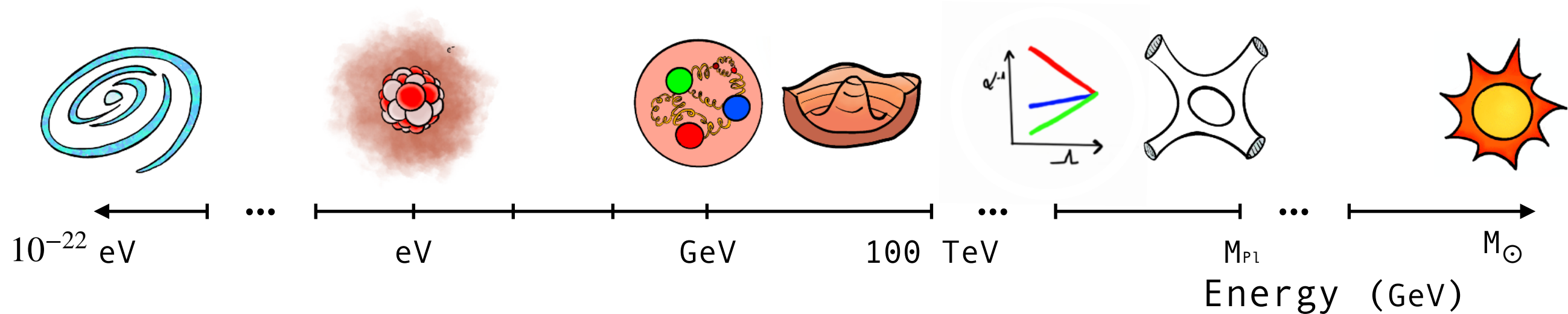


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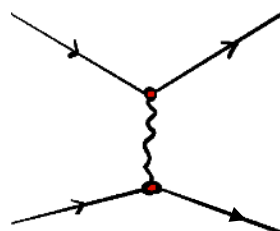




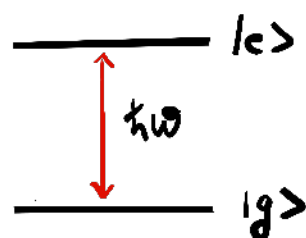
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...all over the world



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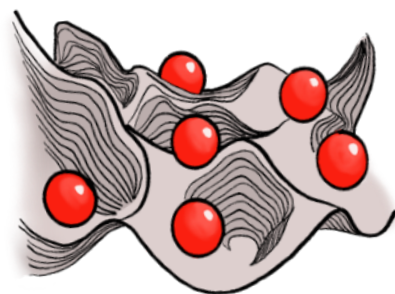
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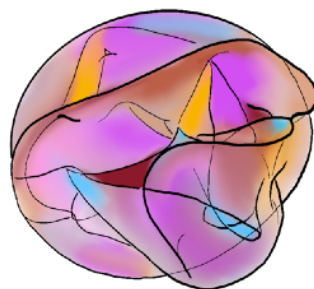
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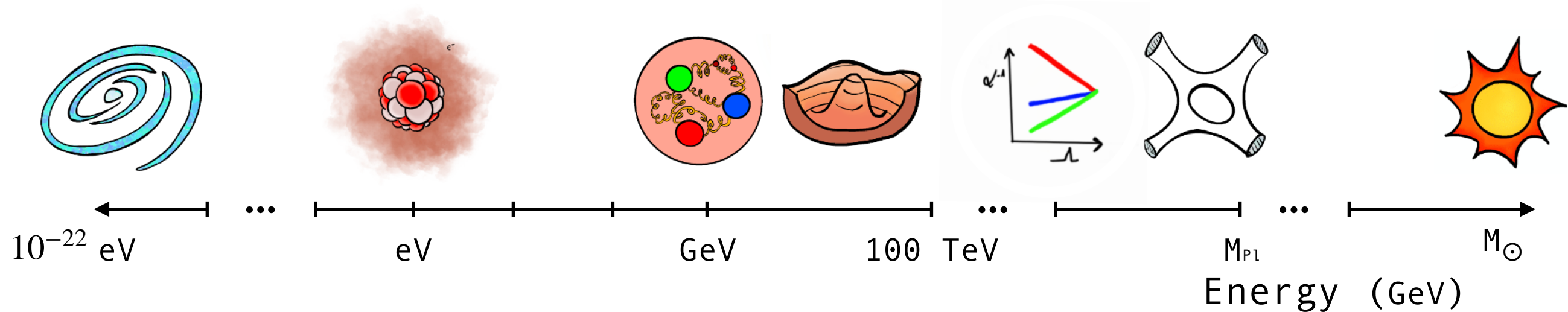
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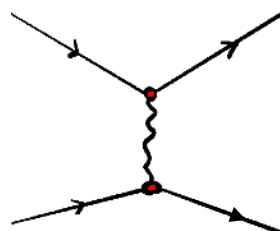
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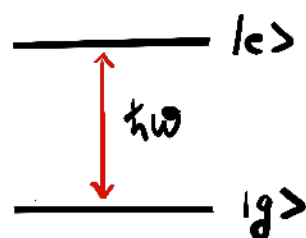
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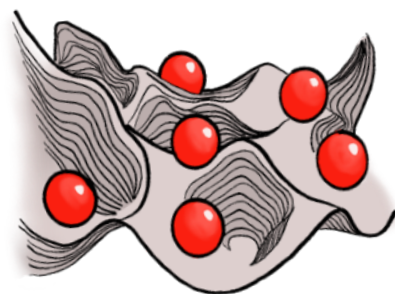
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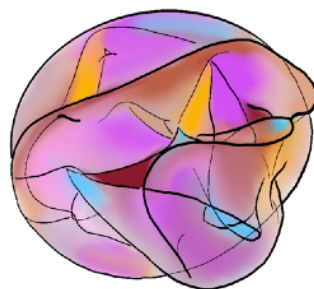
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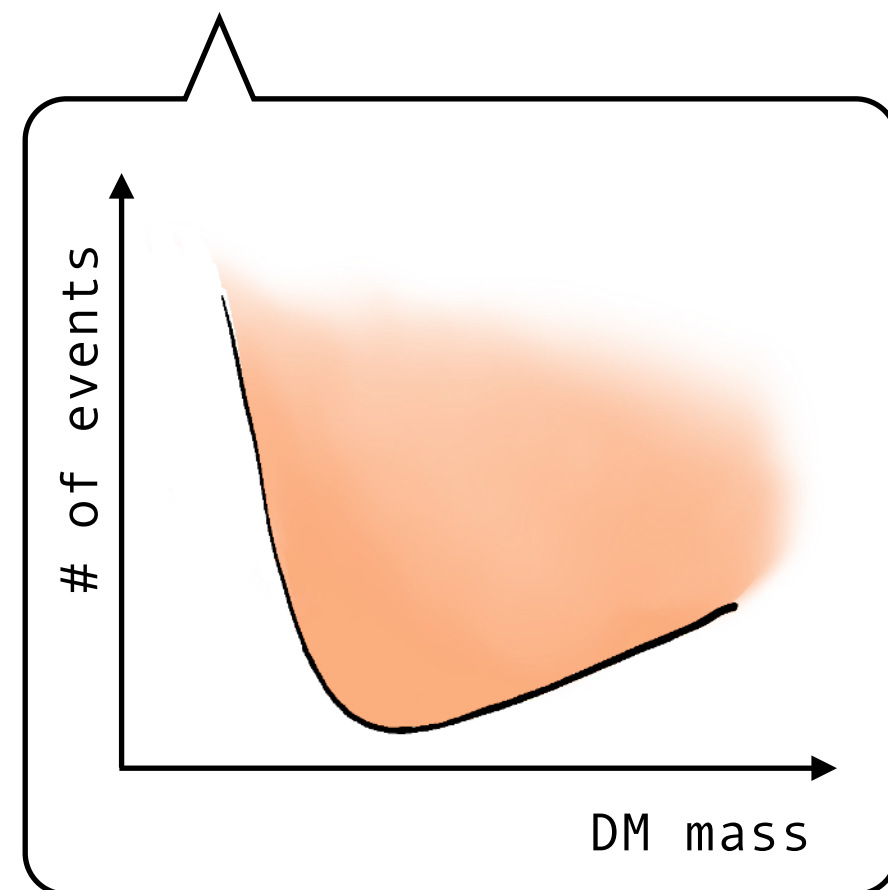
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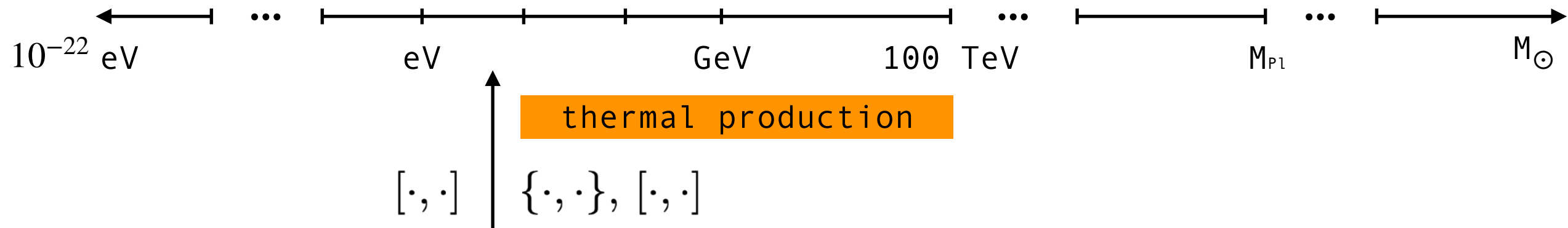


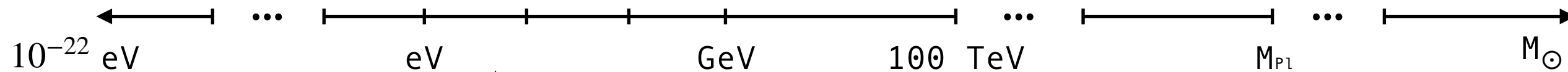
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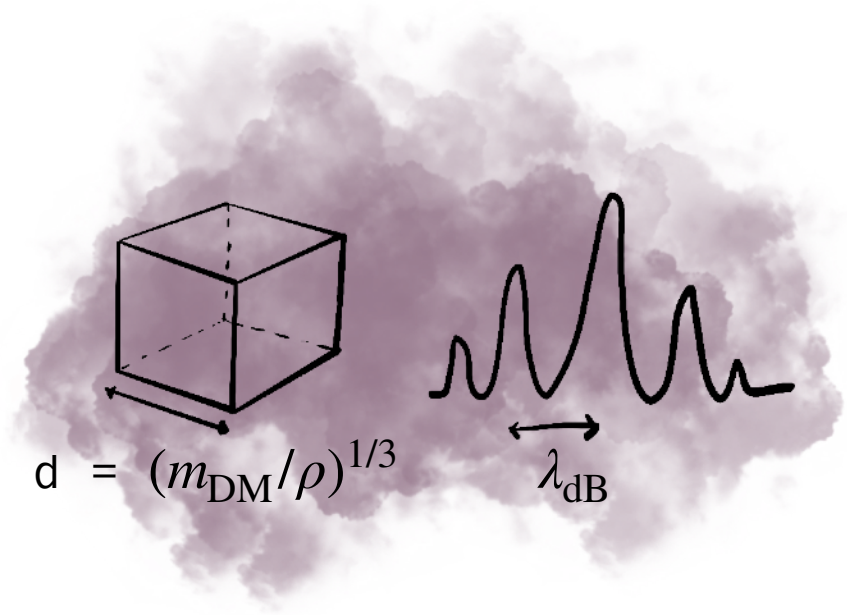


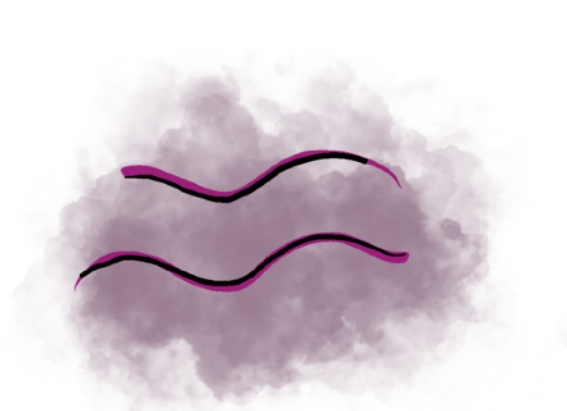
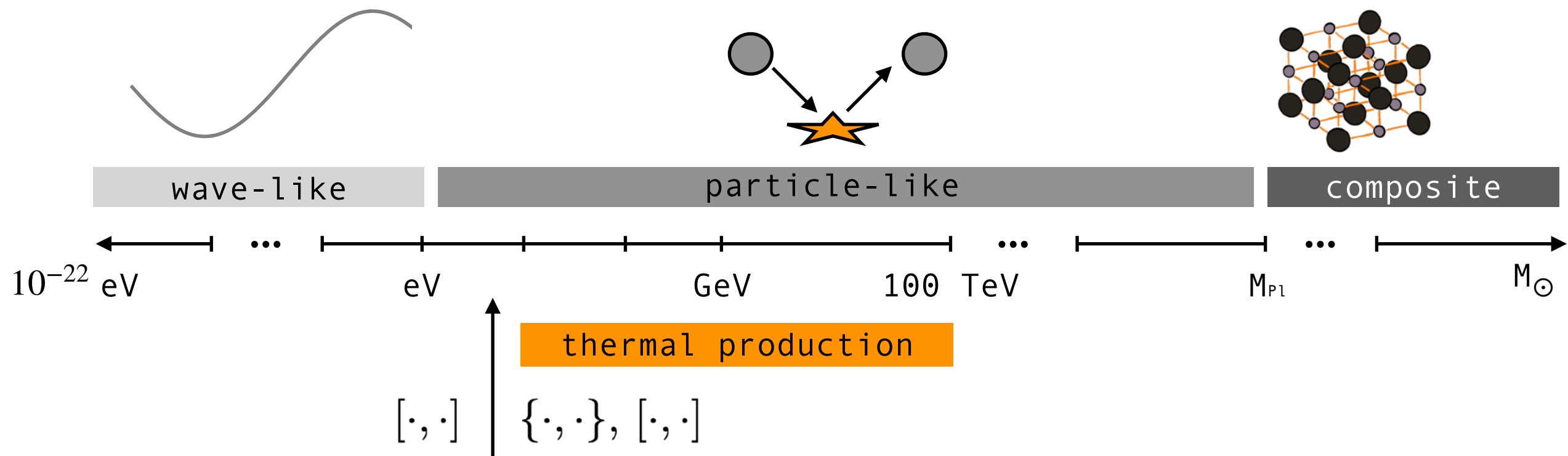




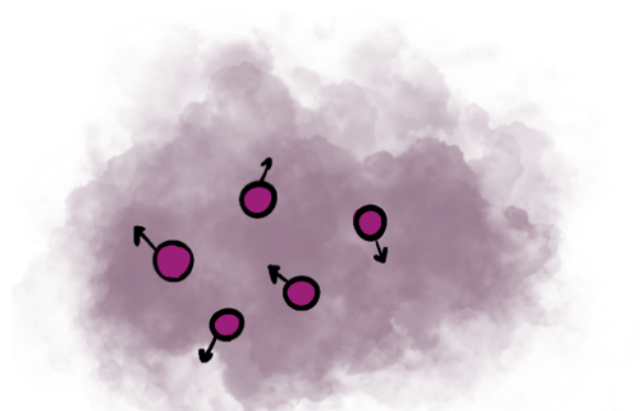
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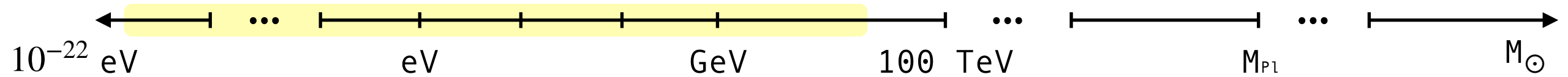
if $d < \lambda_{dB}$



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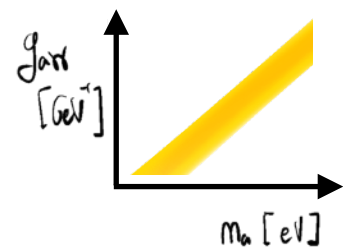
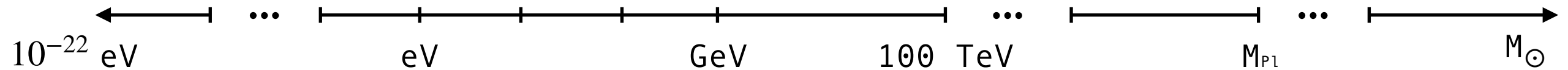
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Having a goal

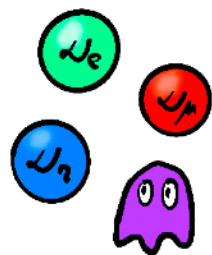


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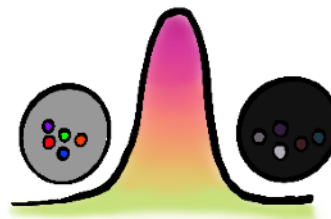
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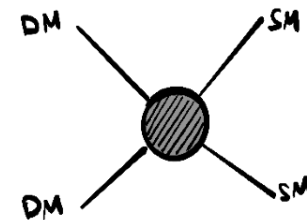
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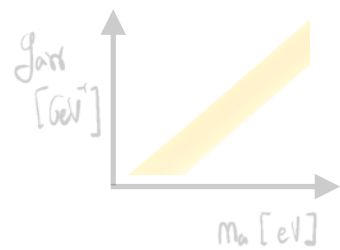
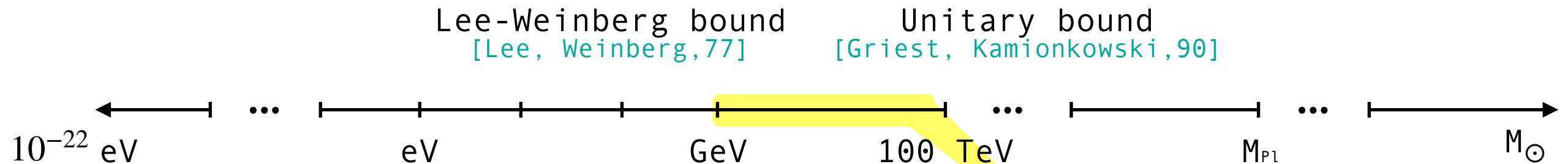


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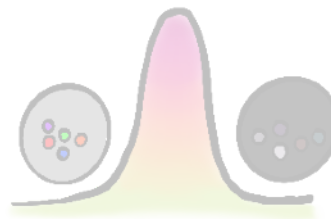
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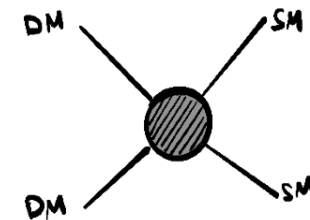
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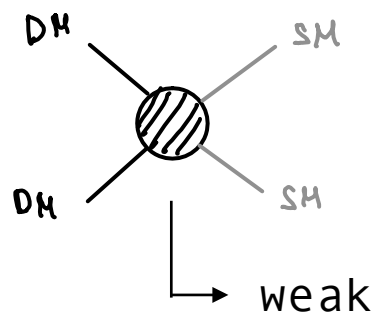


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WIMPs

WIMP miracle



$$\langle \sigma v \rangle \sim \frac{G_F^2}{8\pi} m_{\text{DM}}^2 \frac{c}{3}$$

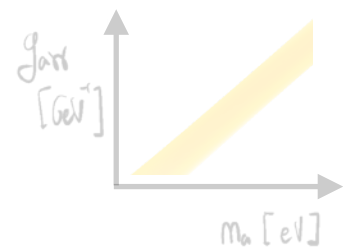
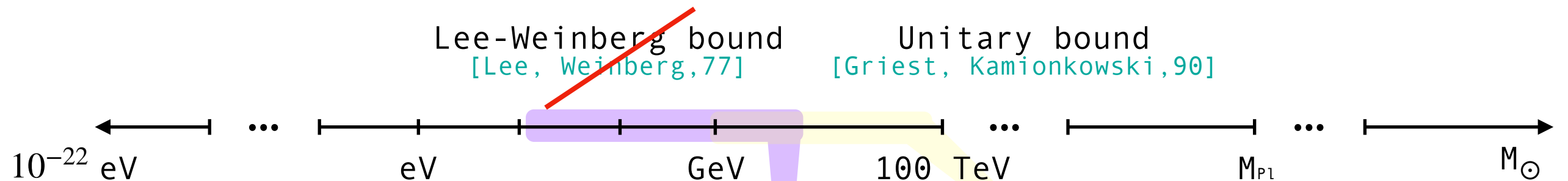
if $m_{\text{DM}} \sim \Lambda_{\text{EW}}$

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} \sim 0.1 \times \left(\frac{3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \right)$$

e.g. neutralino (SUSY) [Goldberg, '83]
[Ellis et al., '84]

e.g. minimal DM [Cirelli et al. '06]

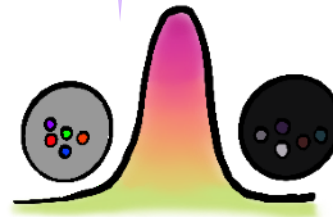
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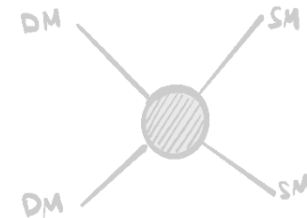
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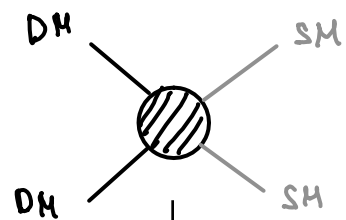
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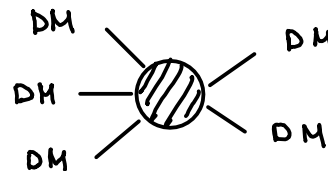


WIMPs



~~weak~~ $\mathcal{G}_{SM} \otimes U(1)_X$

e.g. SIMP miracle
[Hochberg, et al. 14]



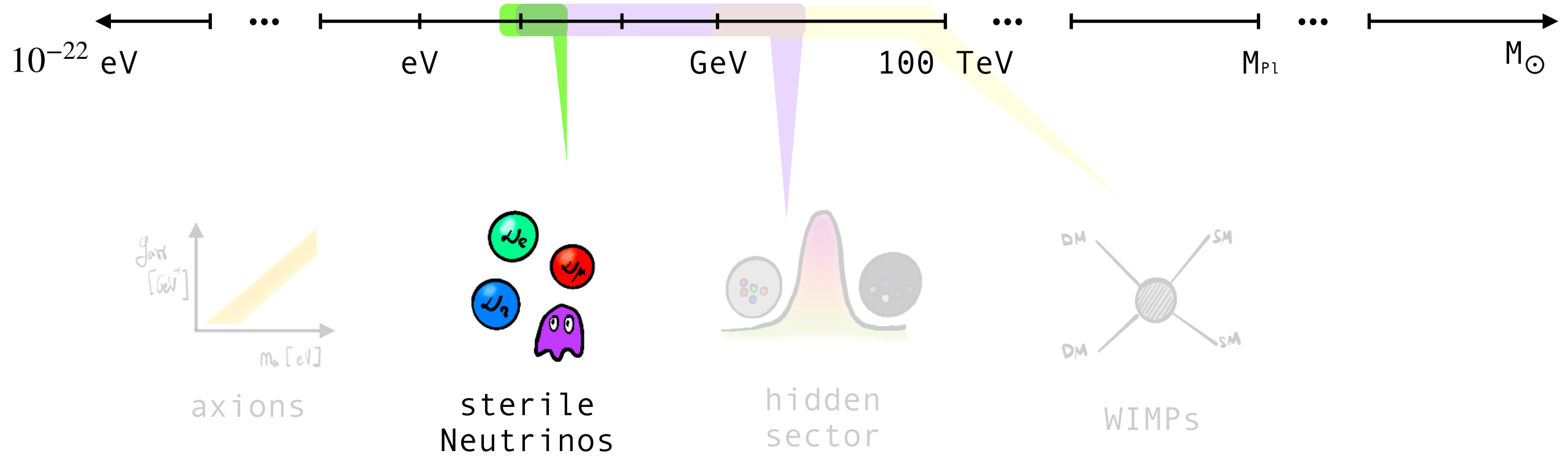
e.g. accidental symmetries

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \cancel{\ell_L \ell_L H H} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \cancel{Q_L Q_L Q_L \ell_L} + \dots \quad U(1)_B, U(1)_L \quad [\text{Fileviez, Wise, 10}]$$

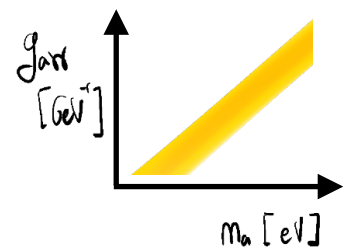
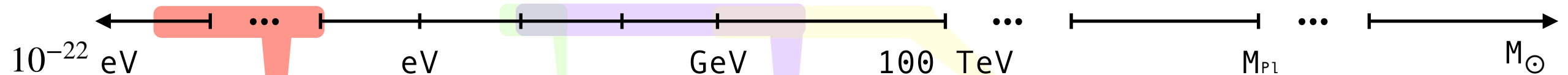
e.g. asymmetric DM
[Kaplan, Luty, Zurek, 09]

$$\frac{\Omega_{DM}}{\Omega_B} = \frac{m_{DM} Y_{DM}}{m_p Y_B} \sim 5$$

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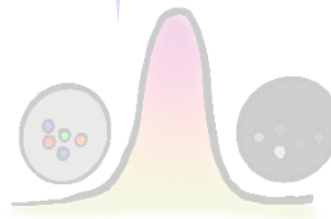
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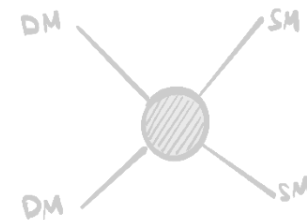
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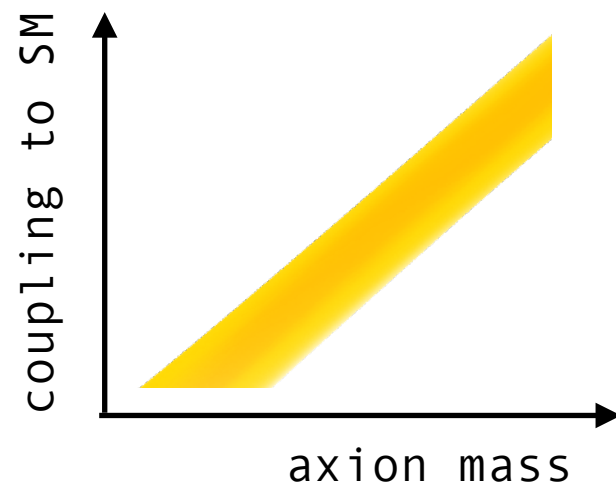
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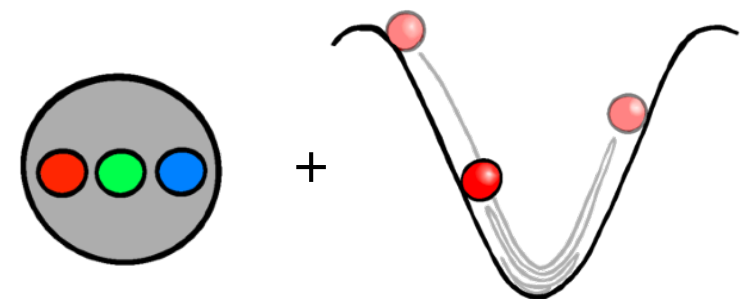
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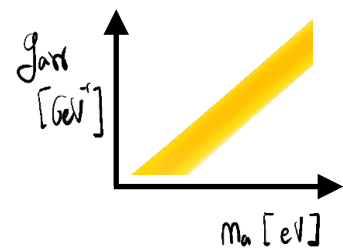
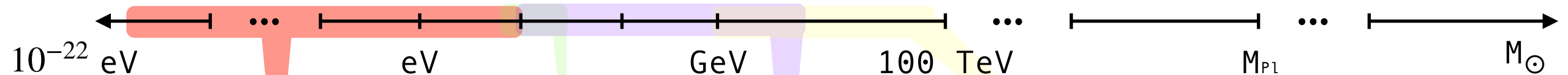


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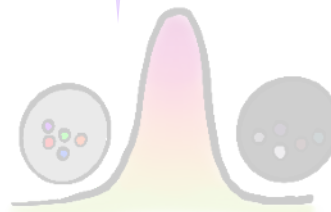
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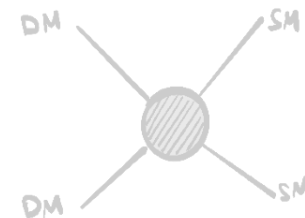
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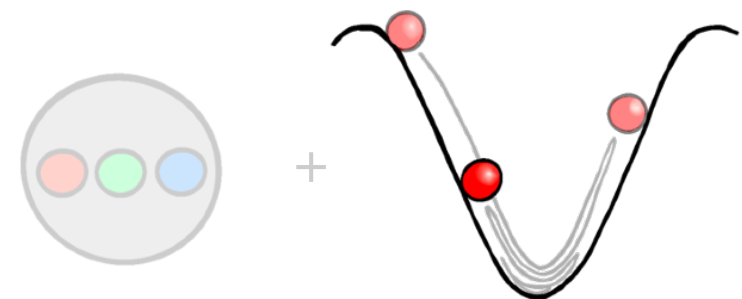
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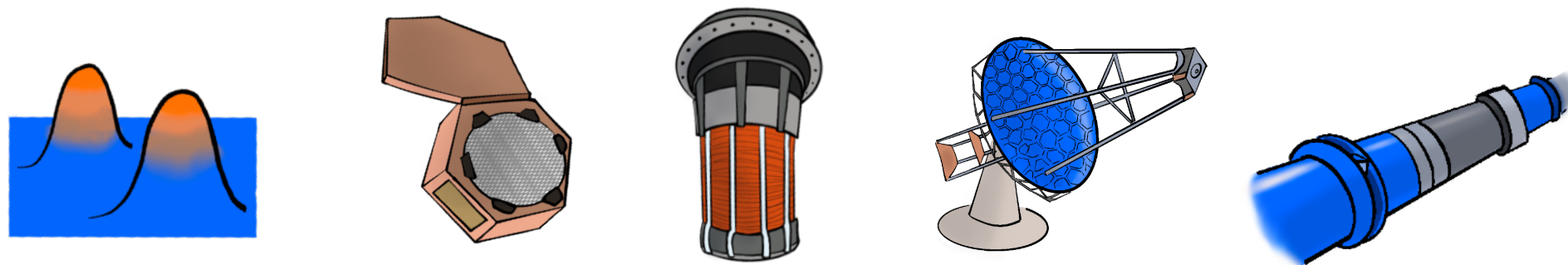
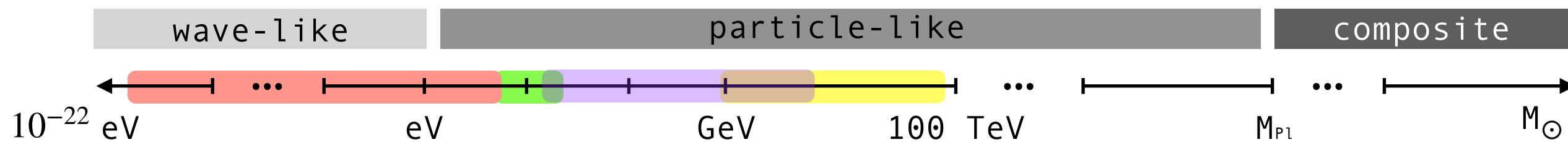


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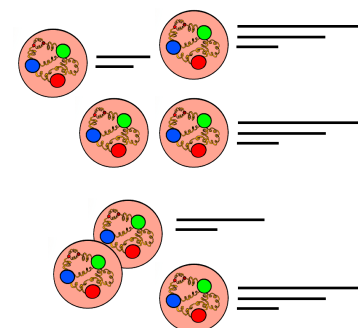
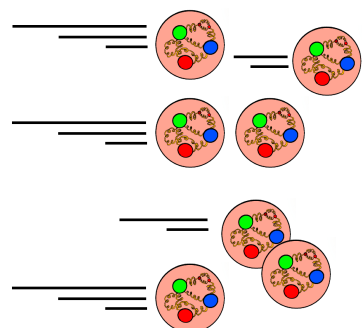
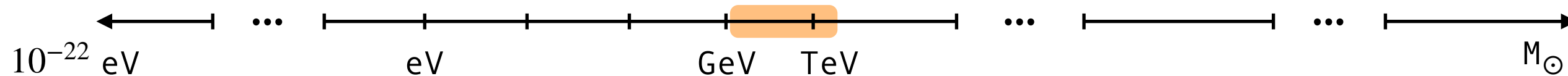
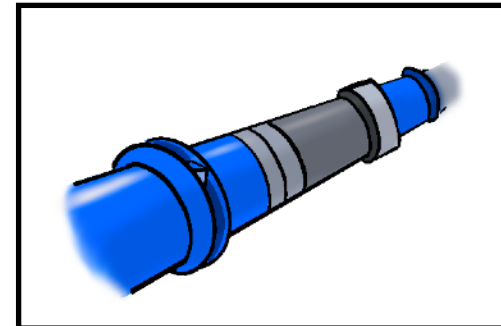
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Lamposts



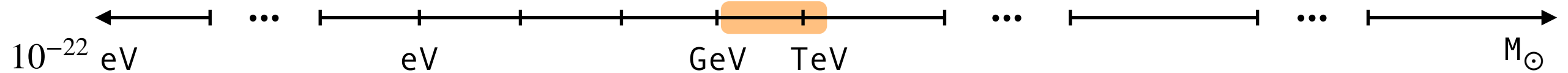
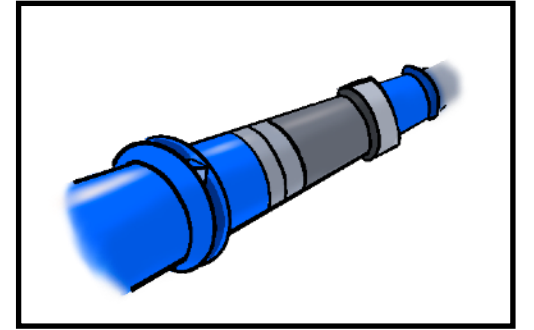
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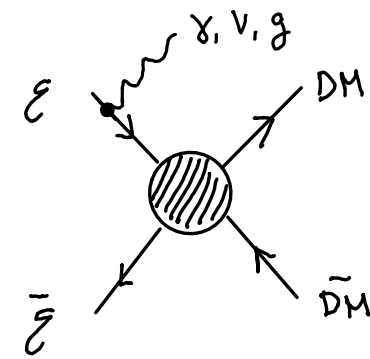
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Mono-object + missing energy

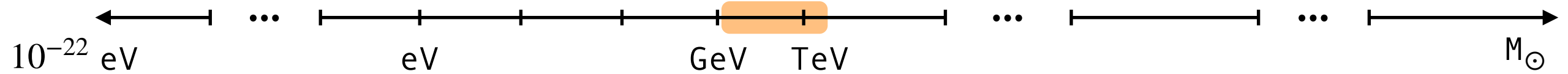
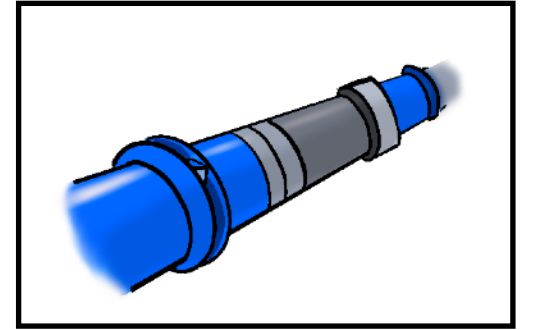
$pp \rightarrow \text{DM } \bar{\text{DM}} + \text{something (jet, Z, Higgs...)}$



$$\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \gg s$$

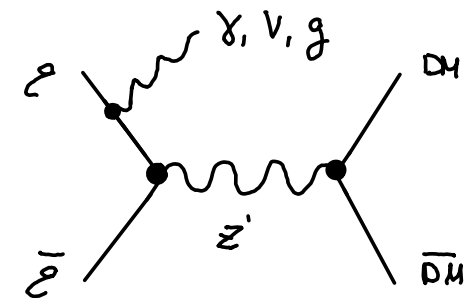
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Theories



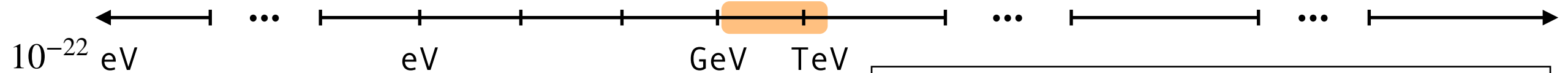
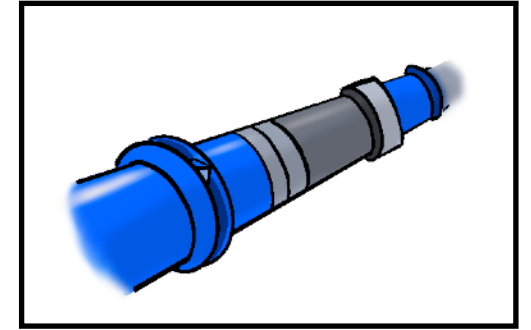
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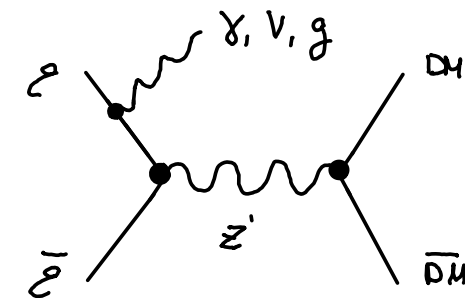
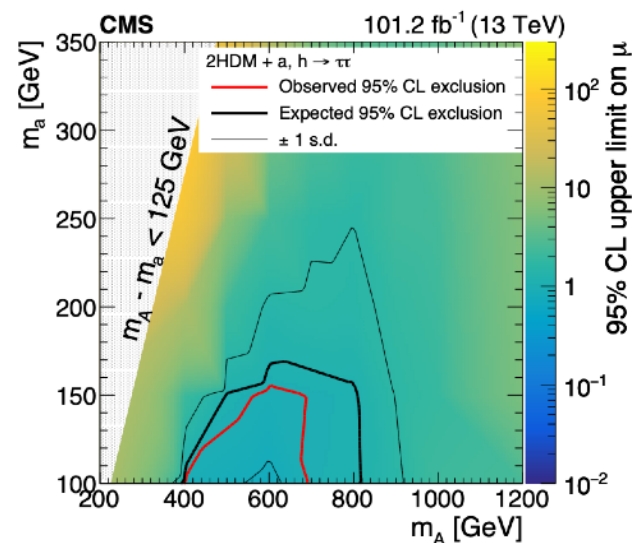
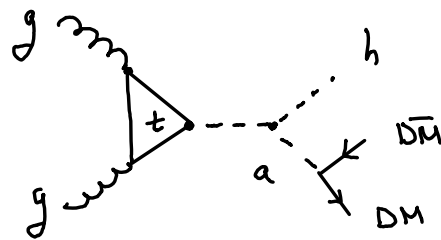
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Particular UV completion
e.g. SUSY, nu-MSM, 2HDM+a...

[Julia Ziegler today]

[Yury Kolomensky on Thu]

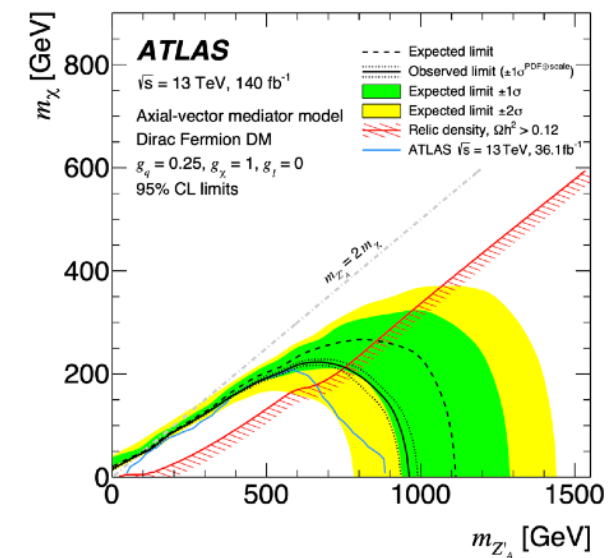
[CMS, June '25]



Simplified models

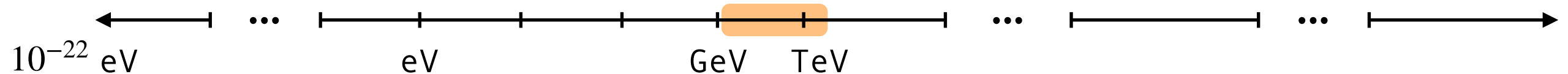
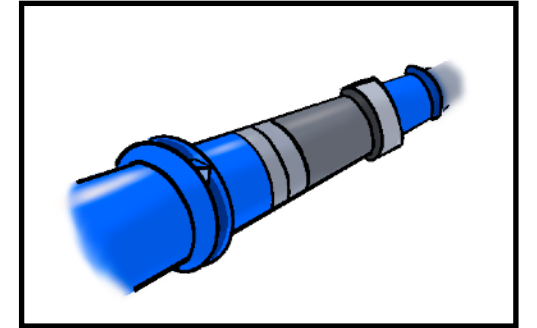
e.g. (pseudo)scalar, (axial)vector

[ATLAS, Dec '24]



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Dijet resonances

Higgs invisible decay

Dark photons

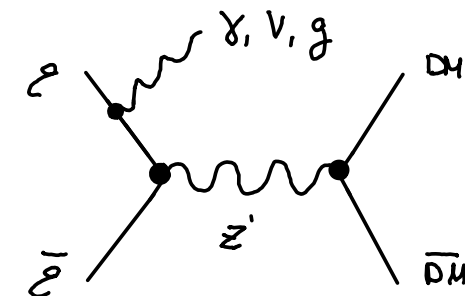
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Dark showers

Heavy flavour + DM

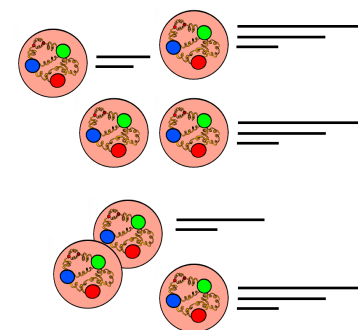
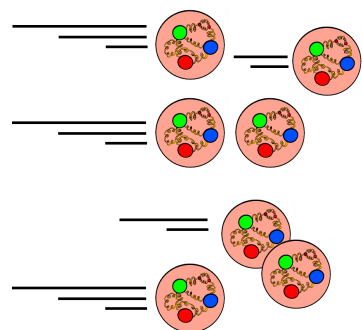
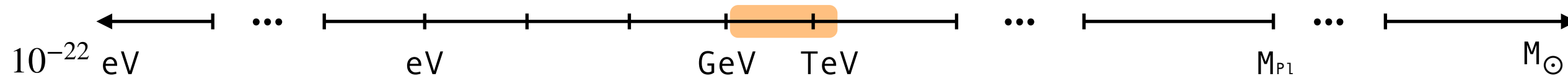
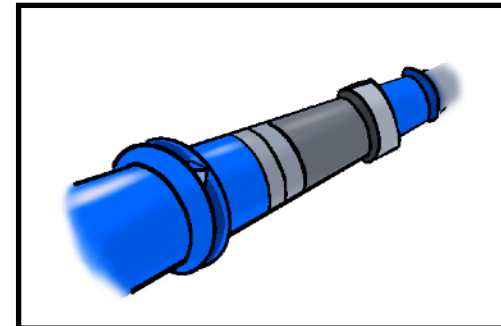
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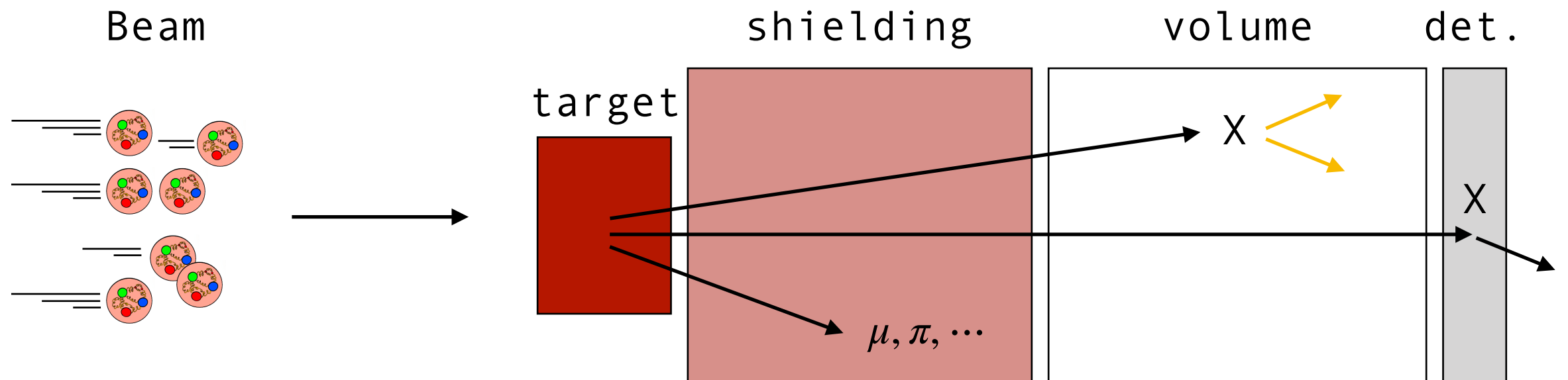
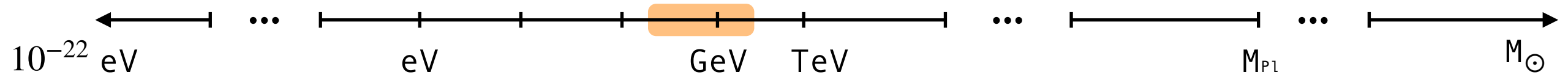
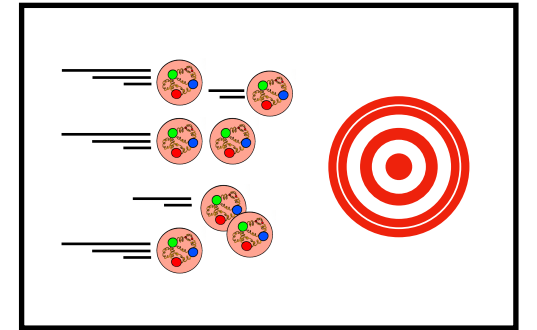
[@Belle & Belle-II: Eiasha Washeed on Thu]

Collider searches



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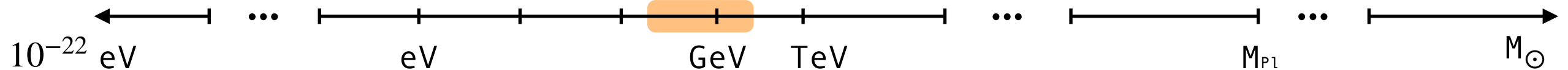
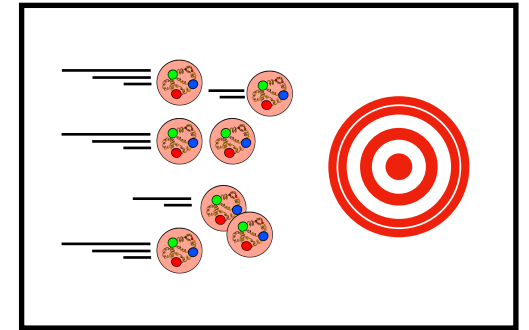
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INTENSITY frontier

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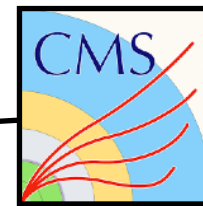
[Maksym Ovchynnikov on Mon]



e.g. those @ CERN

MATHULSA [D]
SHIFT [D]

MilliQan [S]
PREFACE [D]



STATUS
running
proposed
approved*

SHiP* [D]

North area

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[Mustafa Tabet & Marco Mirra on Mon,
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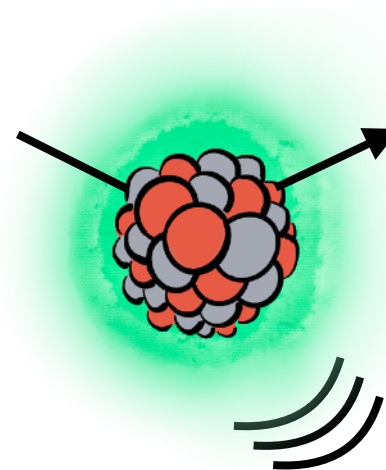
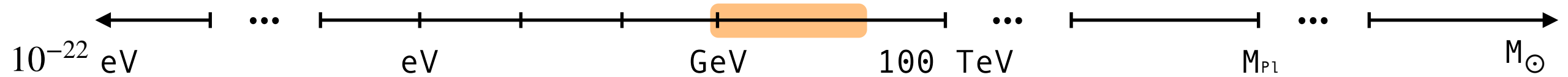
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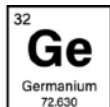
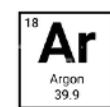
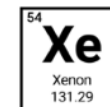


[see M. Ovchynnikov @ European Strategy '25]

“Traditional” direct detection



Nuclear recoil
PTM exp.



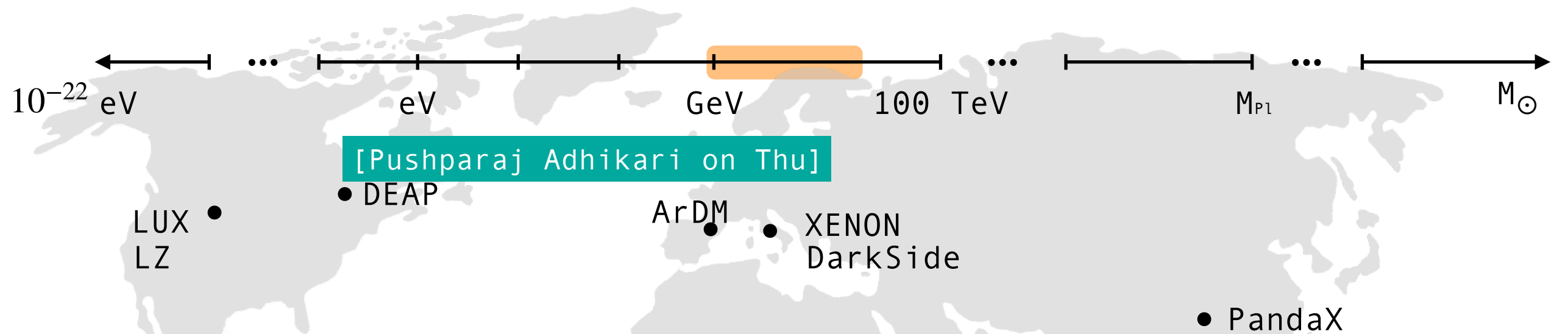
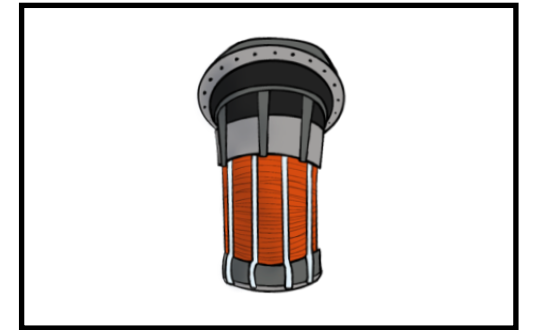
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~keV energy
resolution

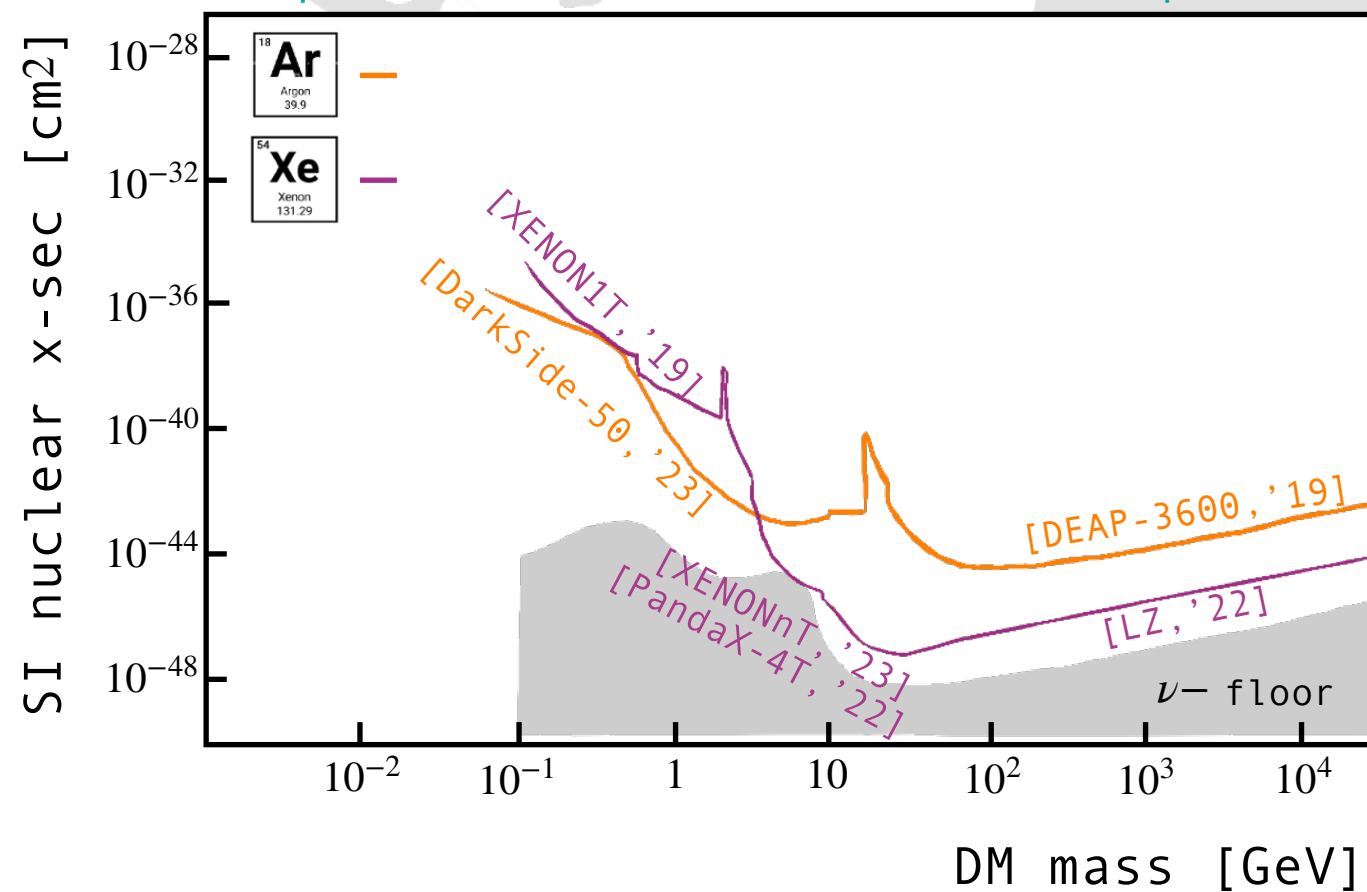
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Direct detection

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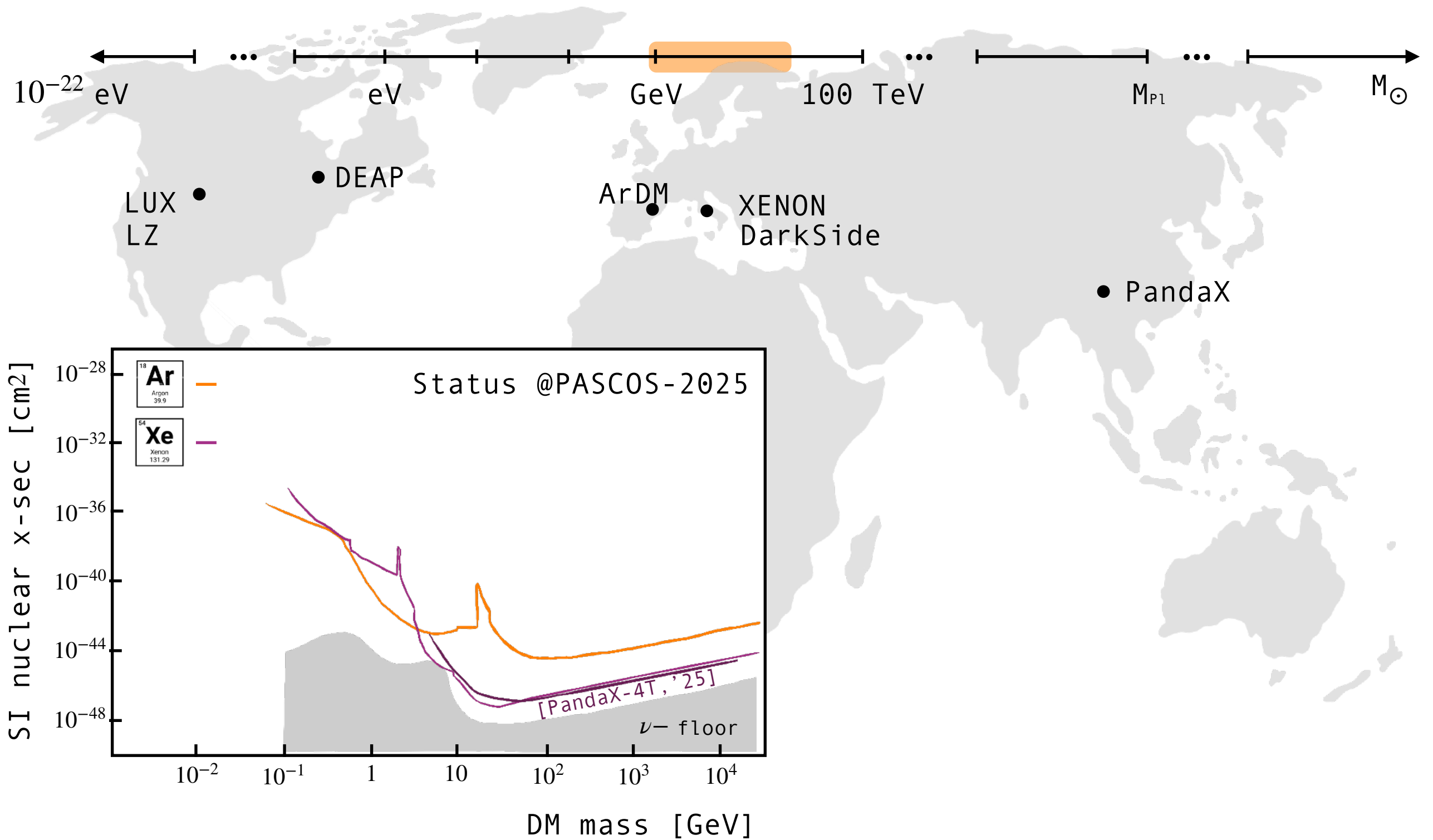
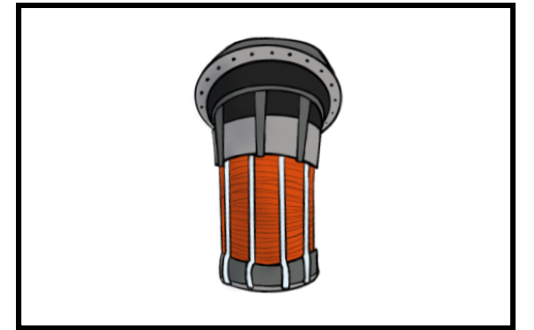


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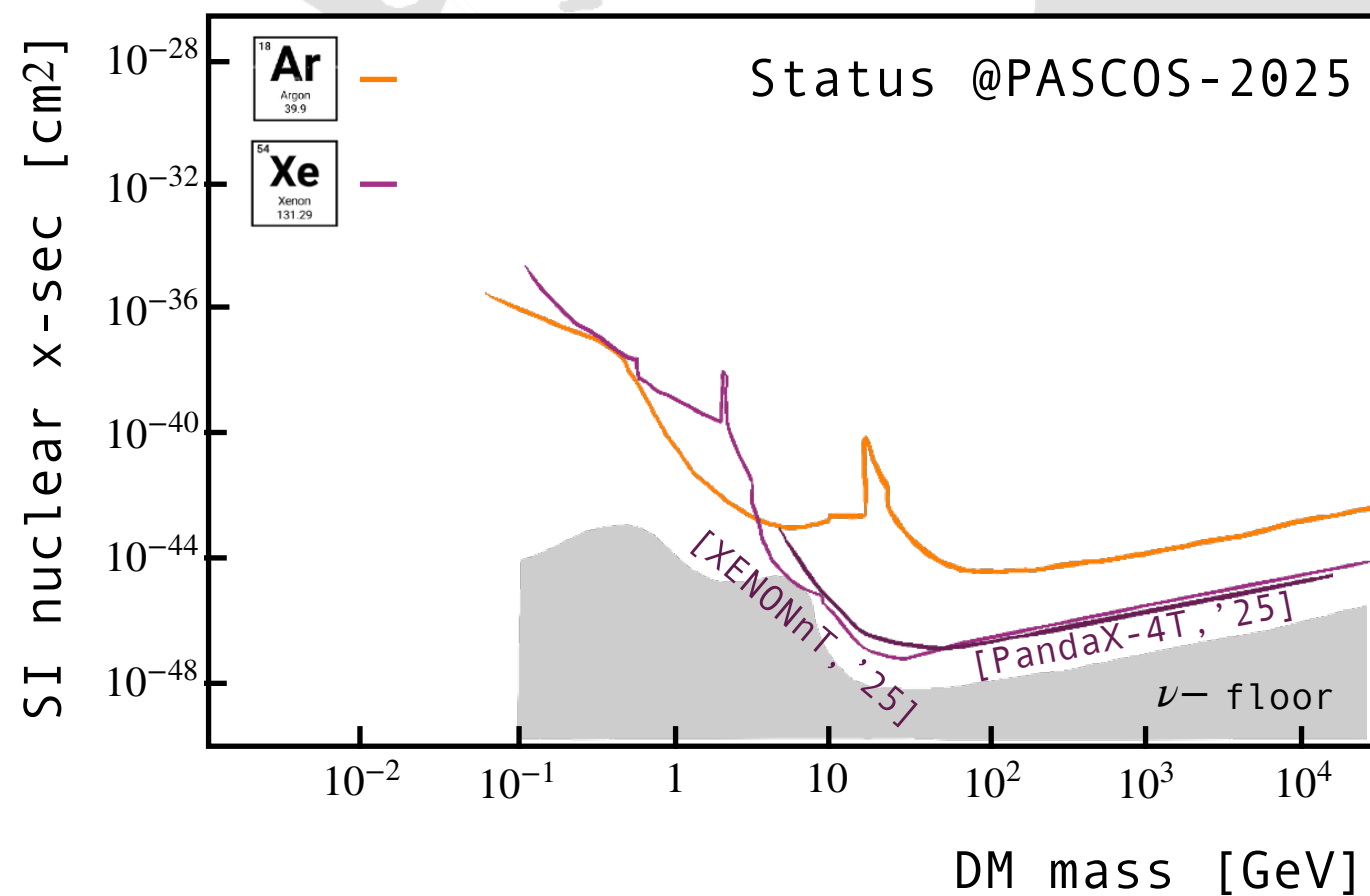
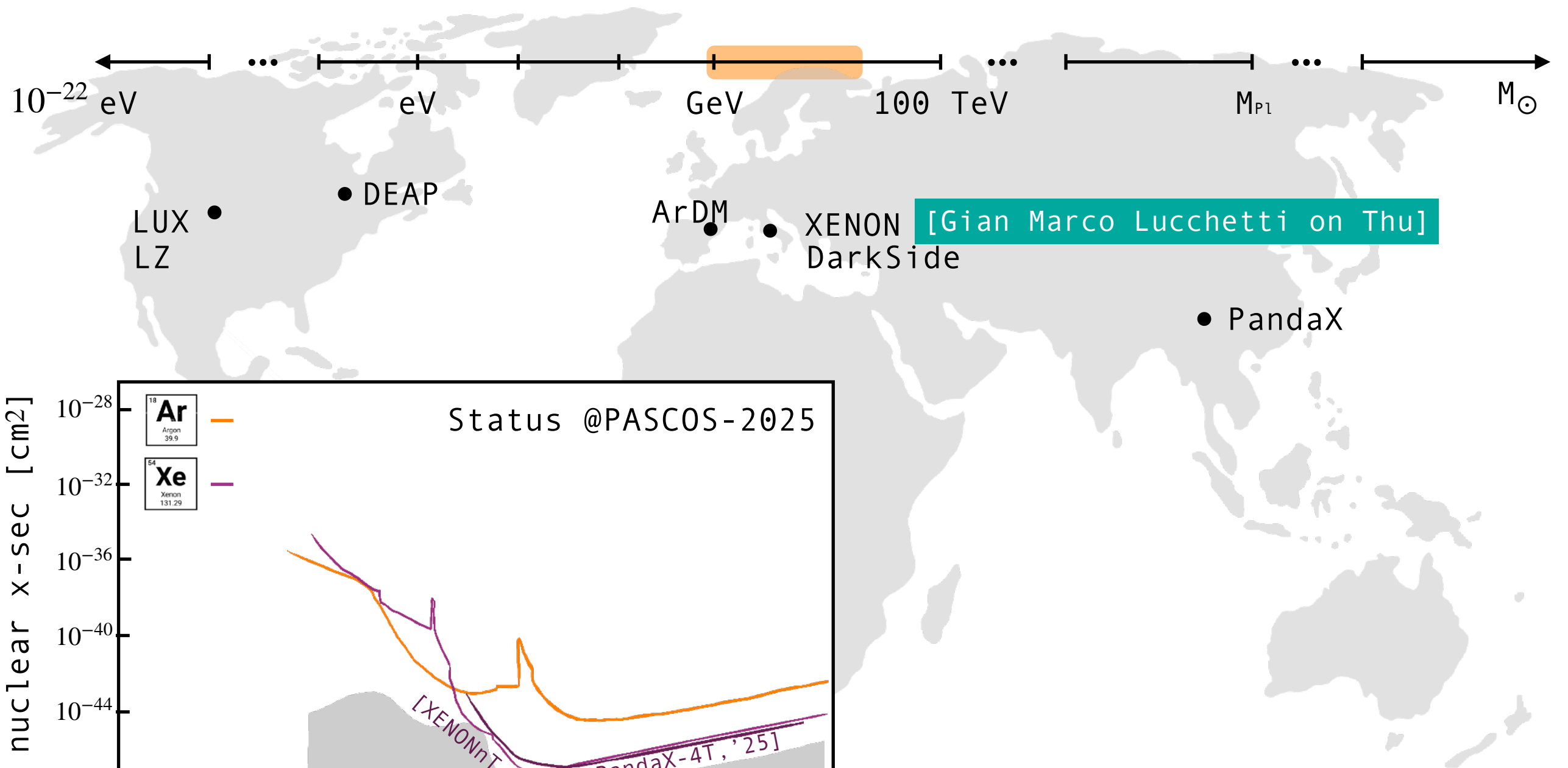
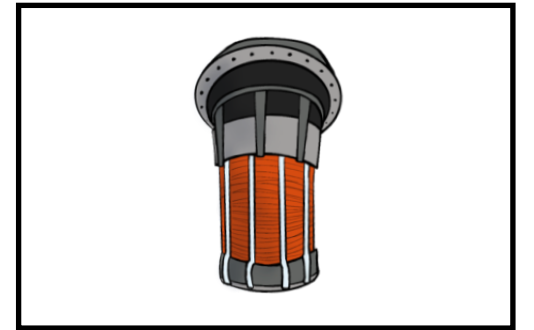
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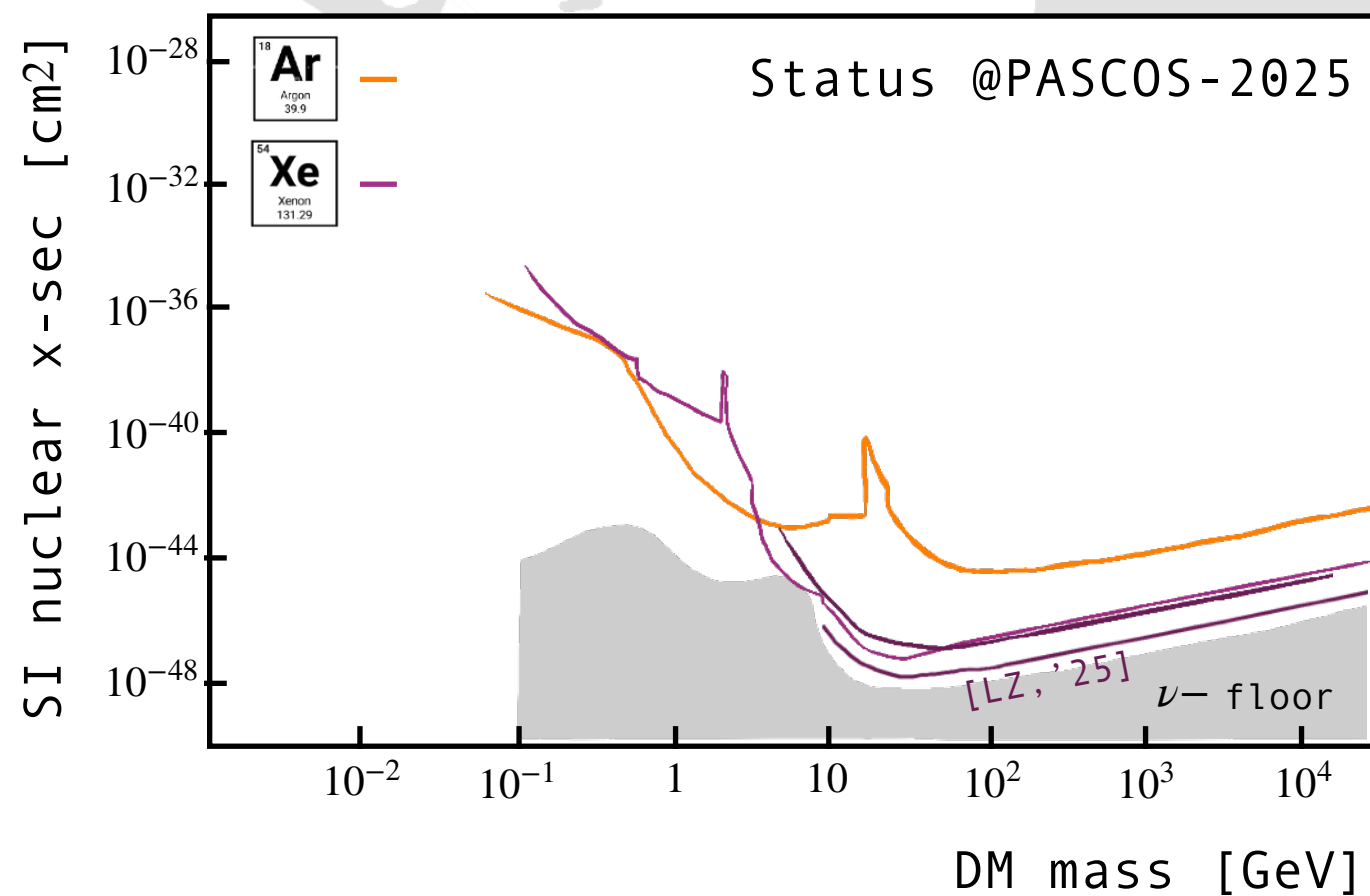
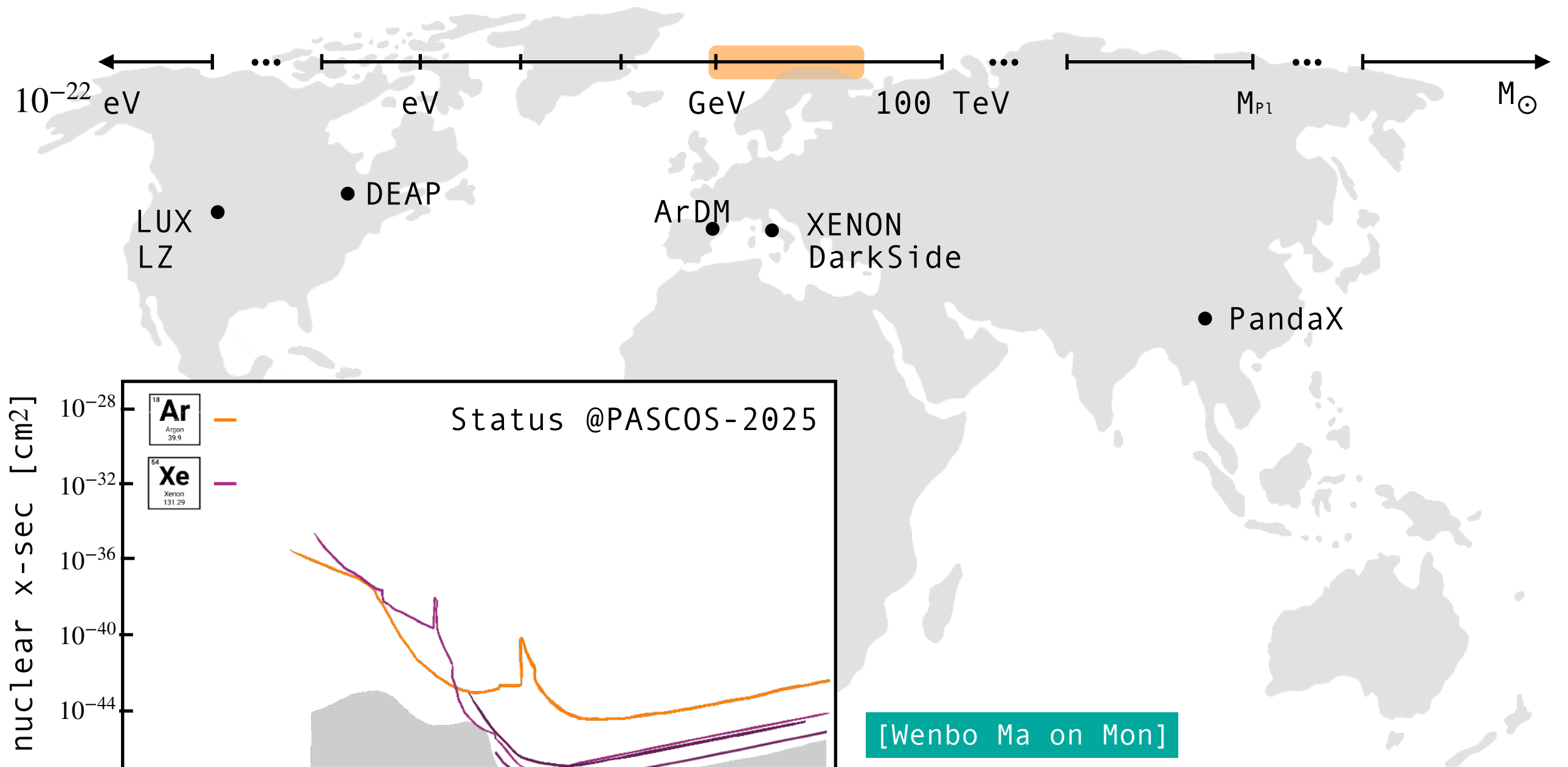
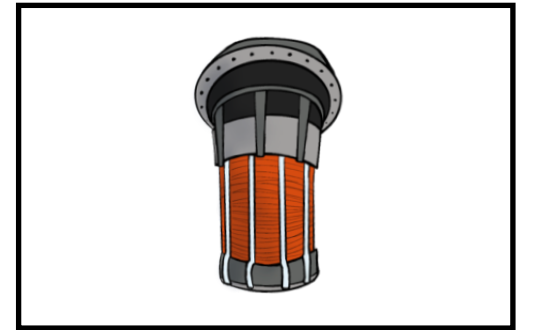
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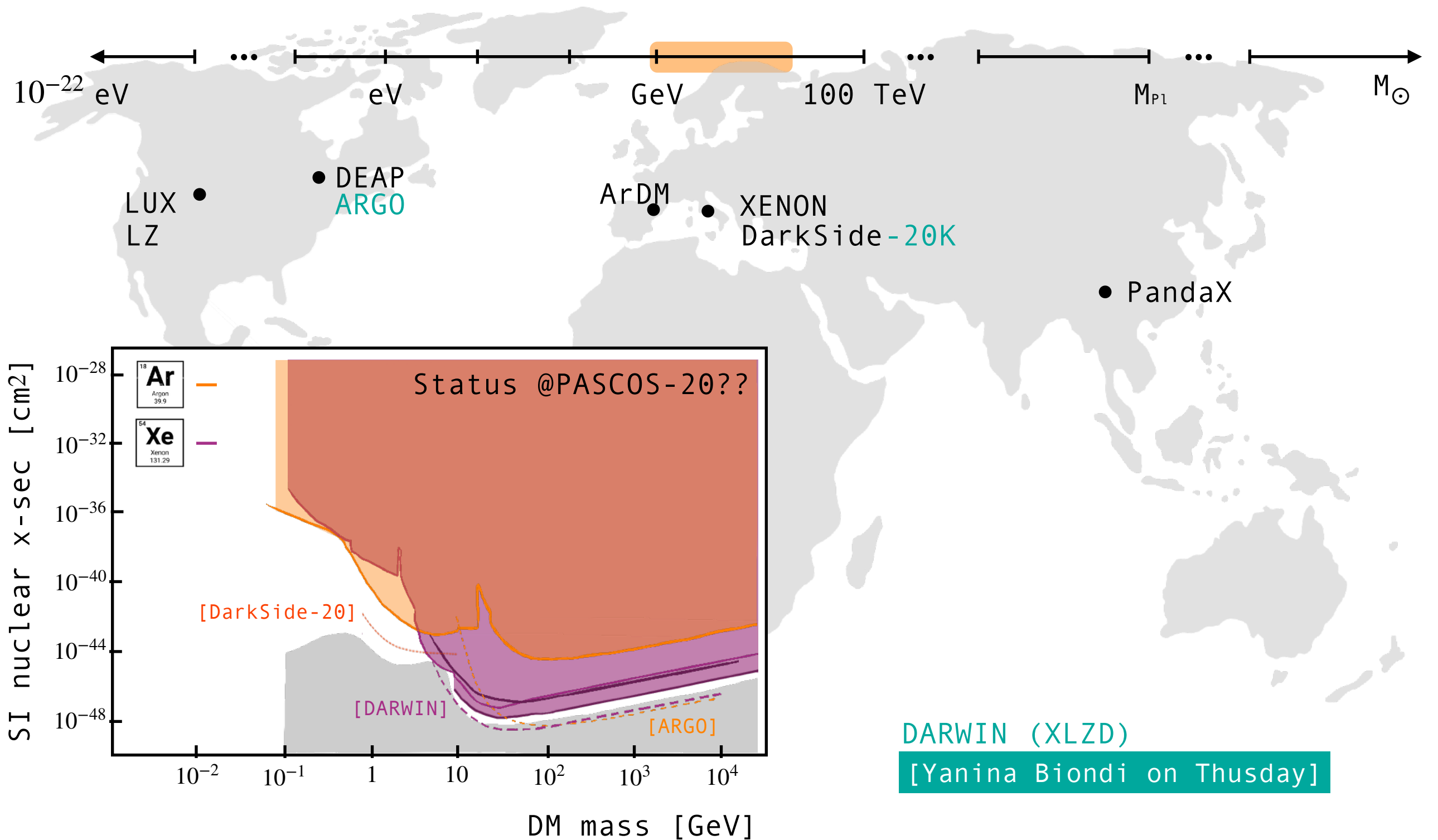
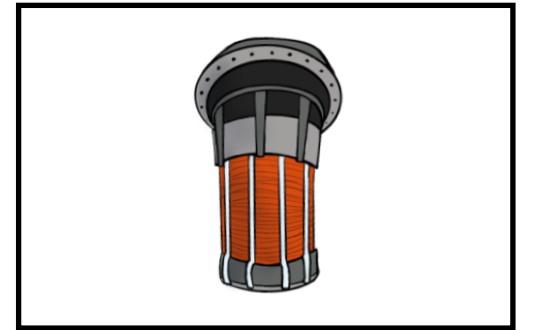
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[Wenbo Ma on Mon]

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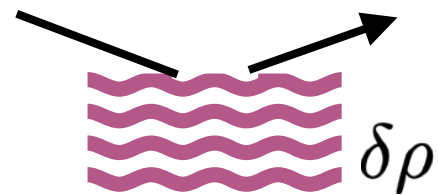
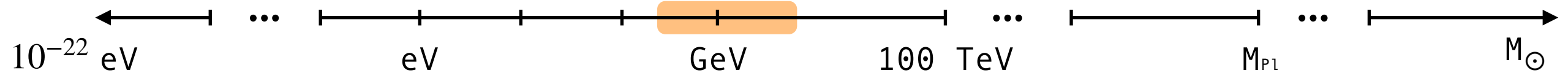
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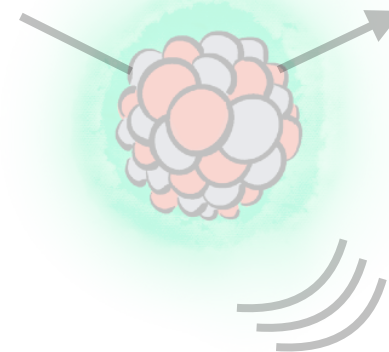
[Yanina Biondi on Thursday]

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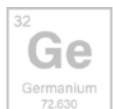
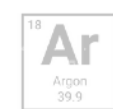
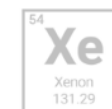


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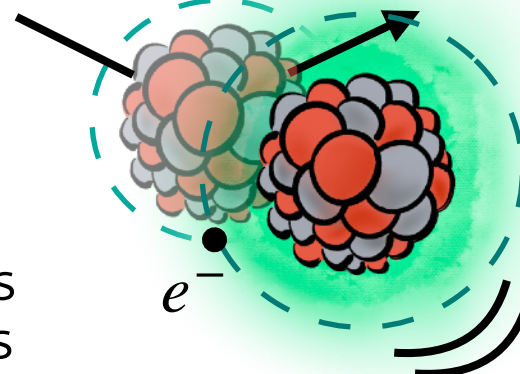
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[Michal Iglicki on Mon]

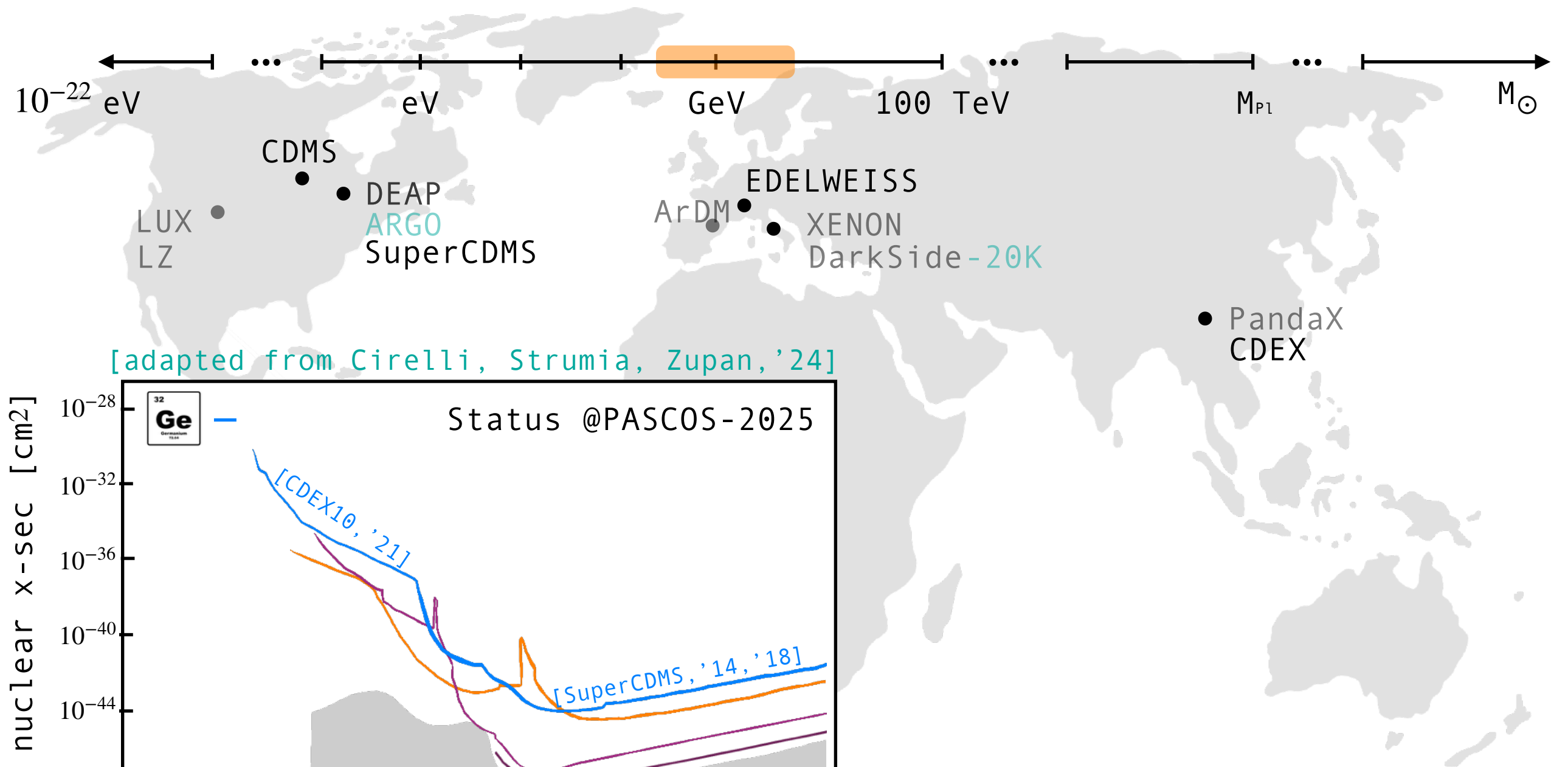
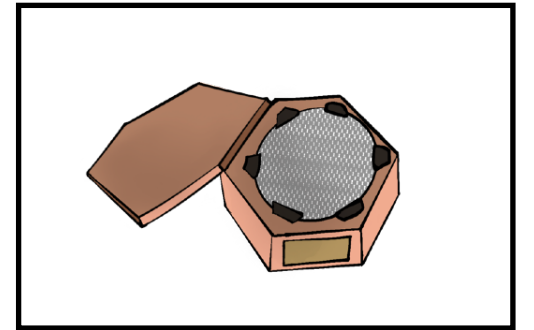
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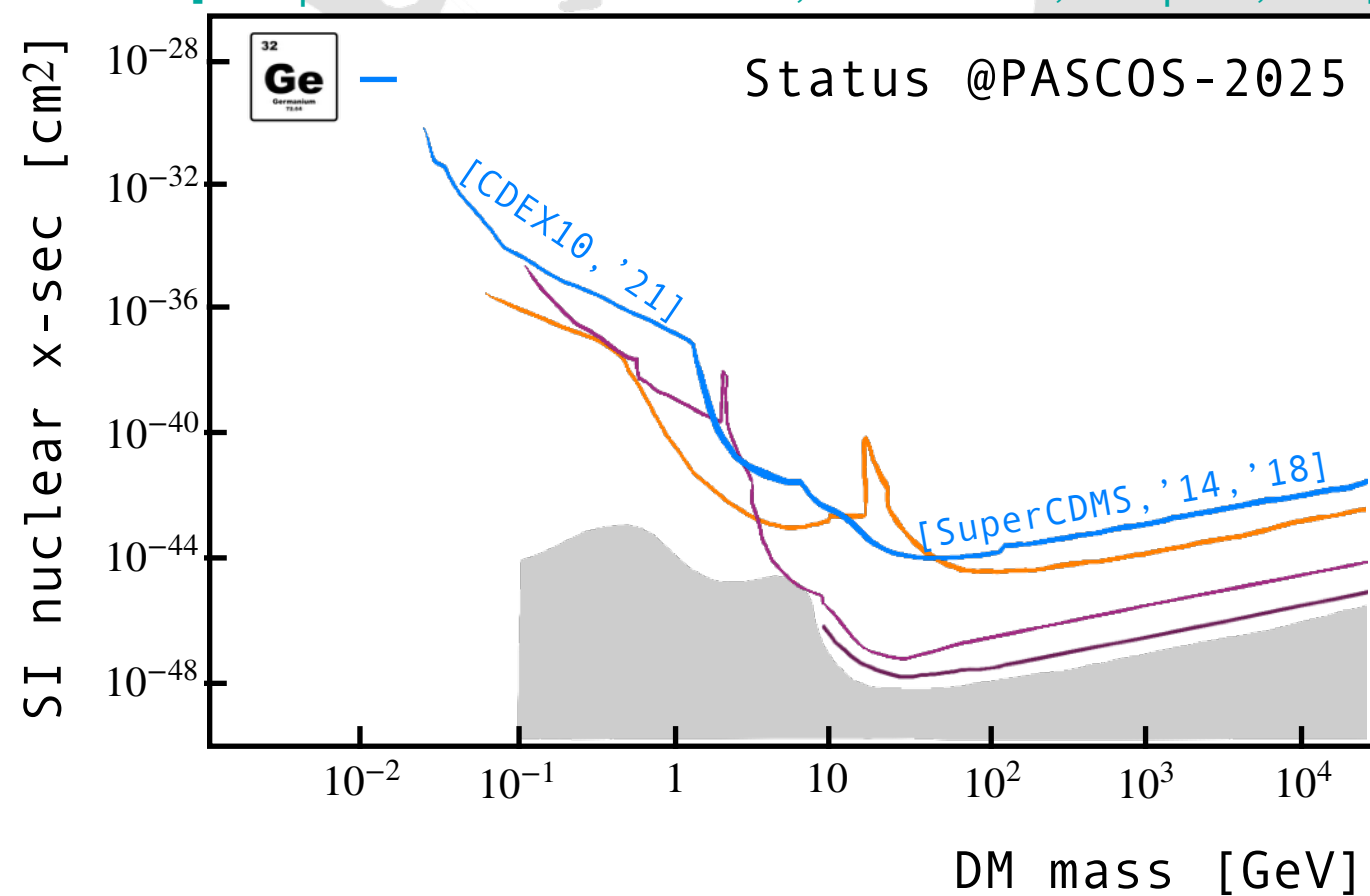


Direct detection

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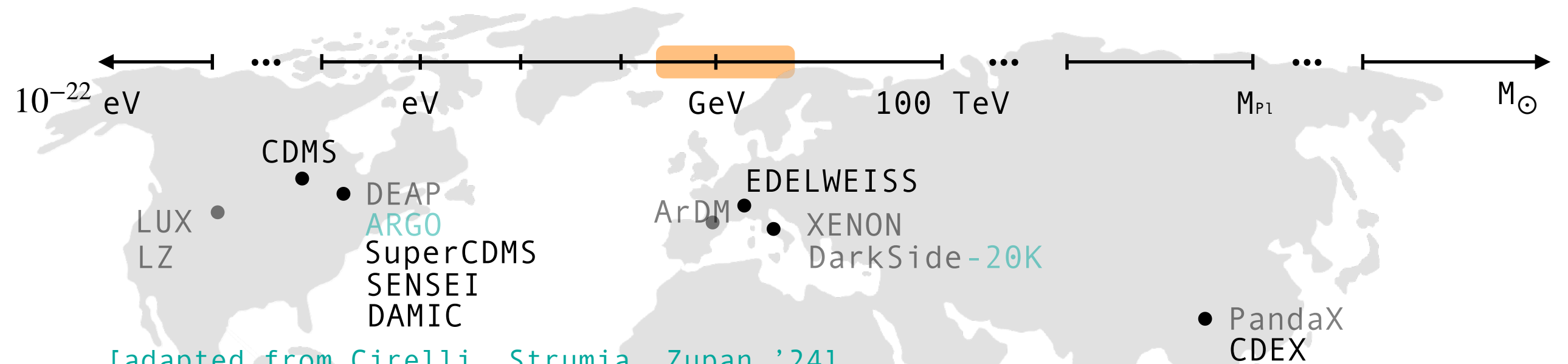
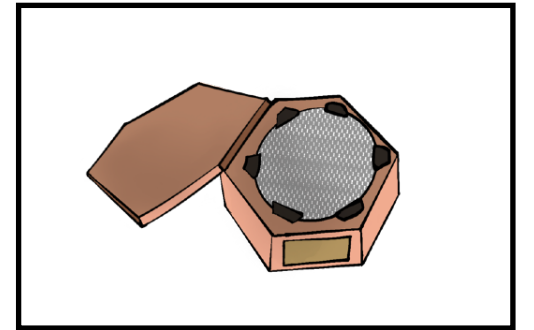
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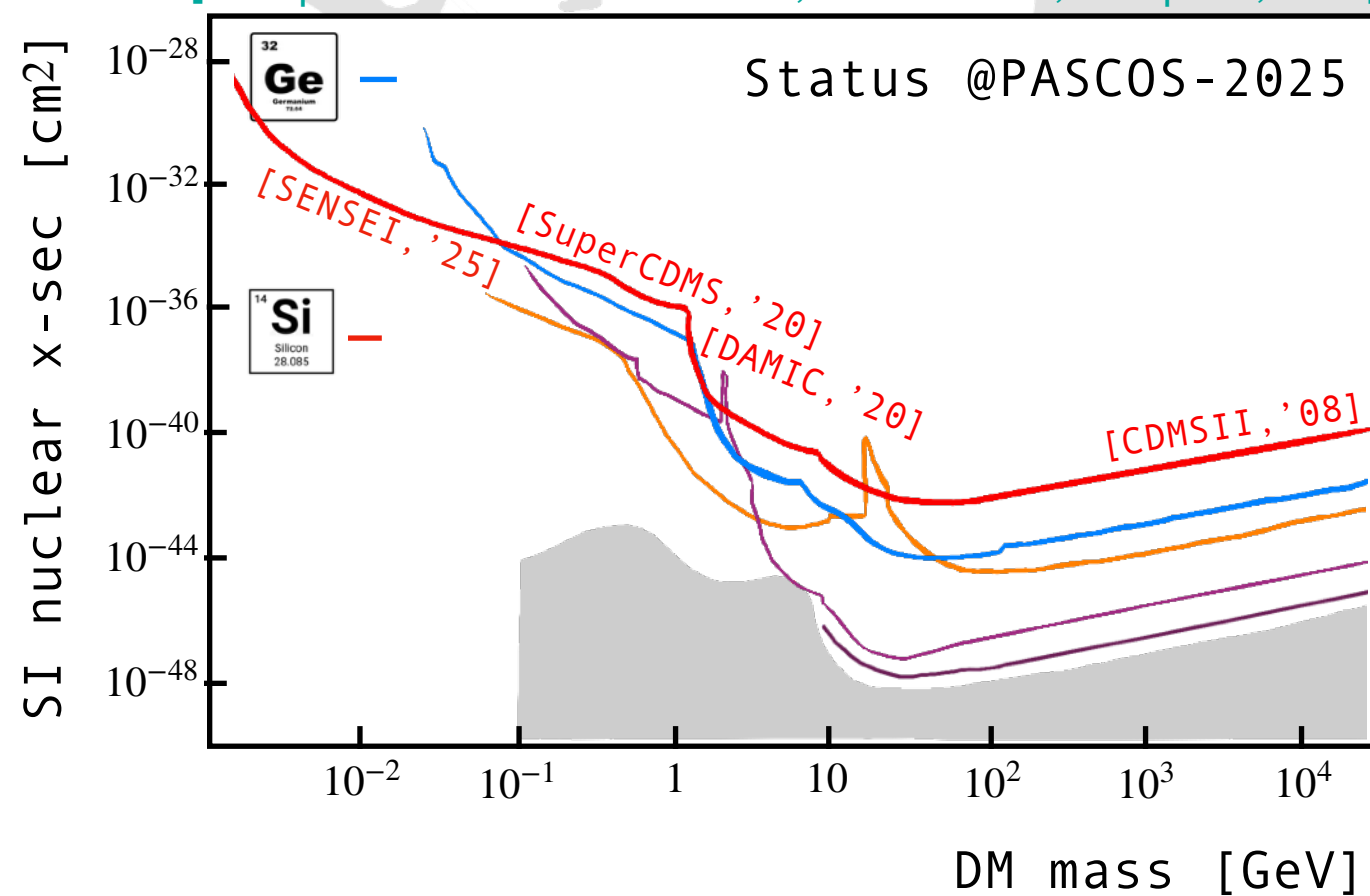
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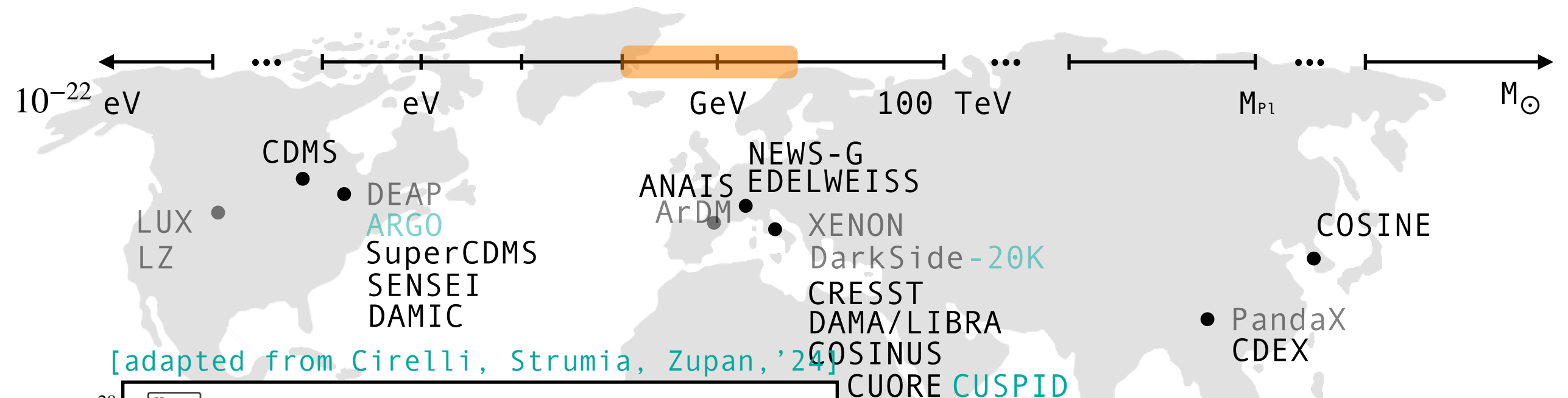
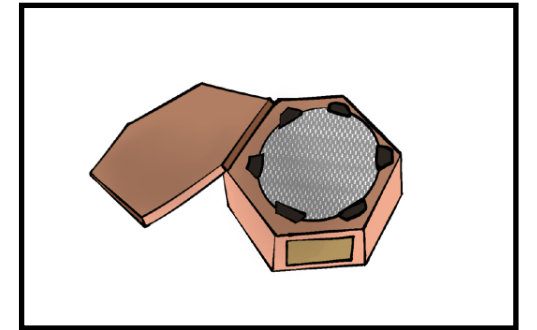
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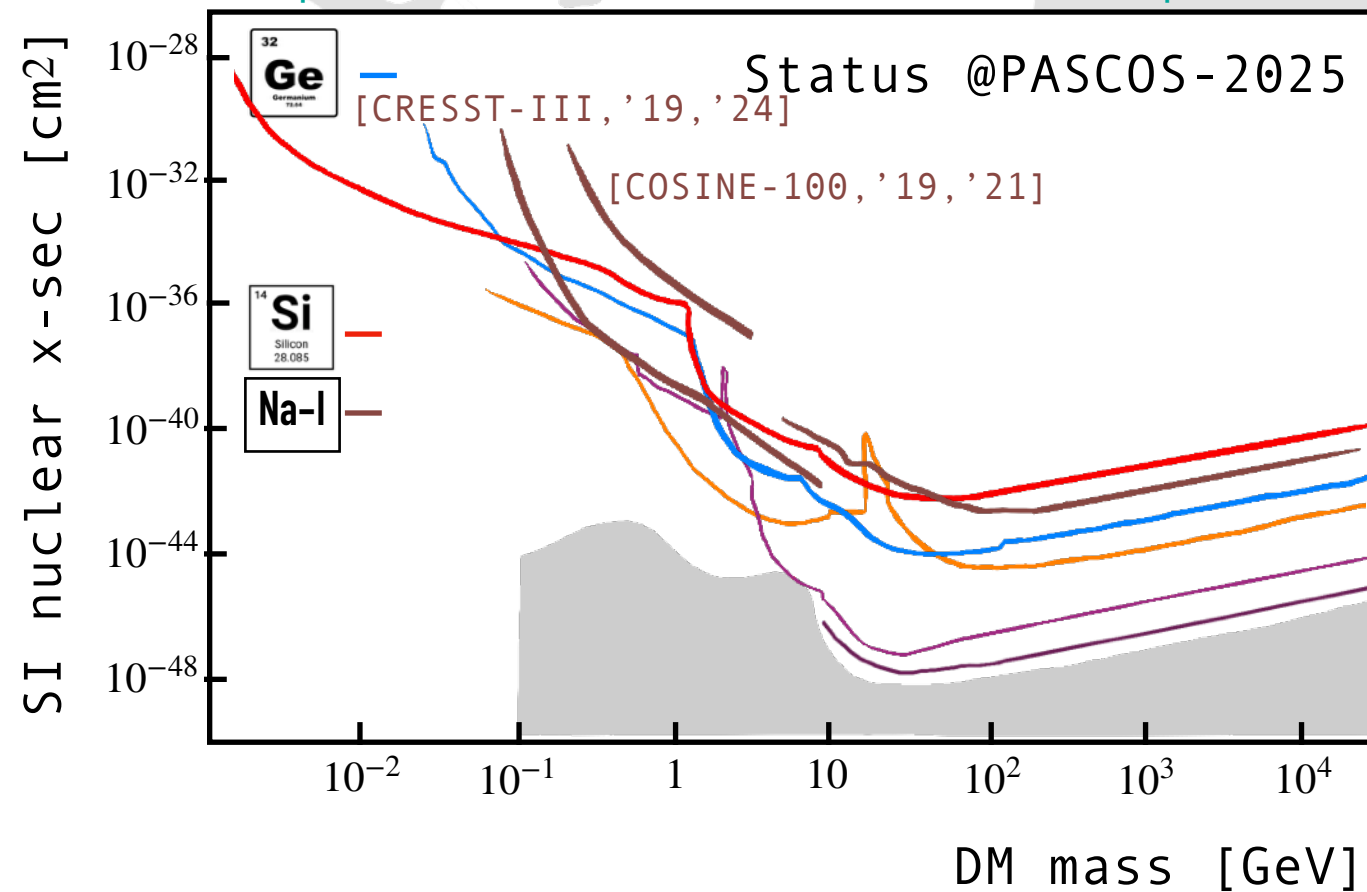
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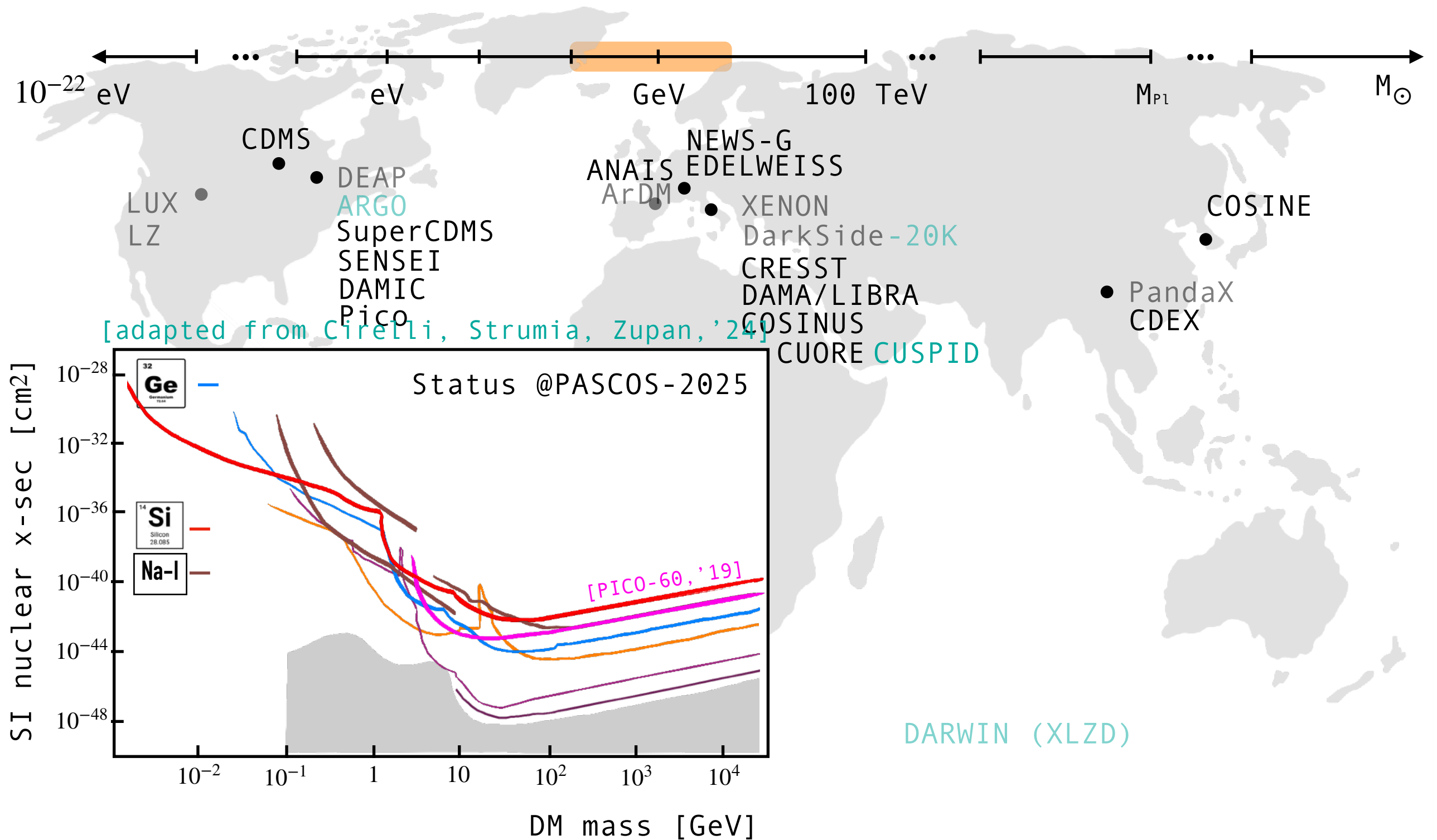
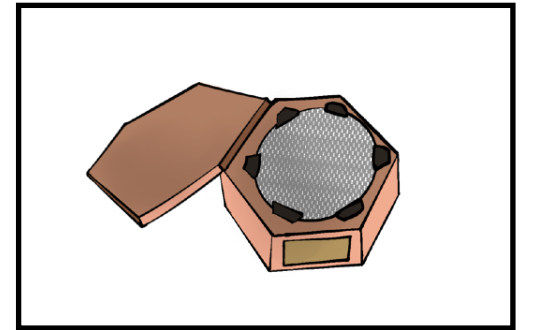


[Hawraa Khalife on Thu]

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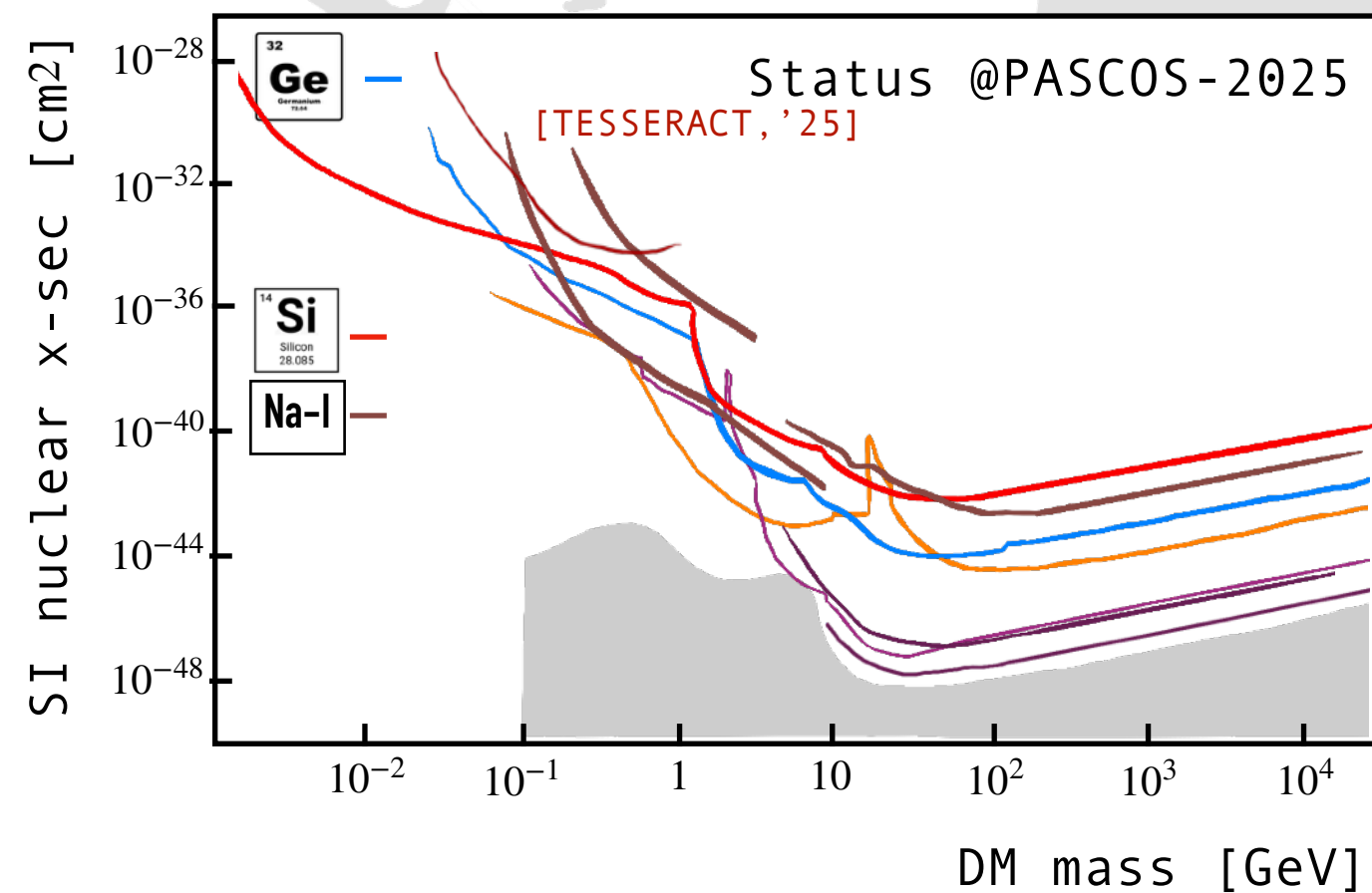
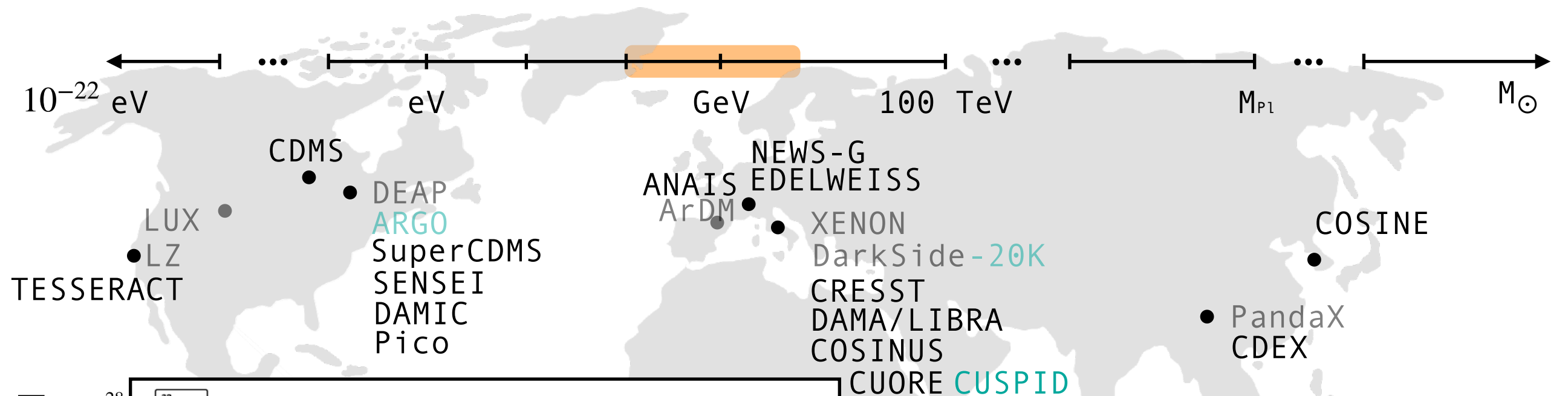
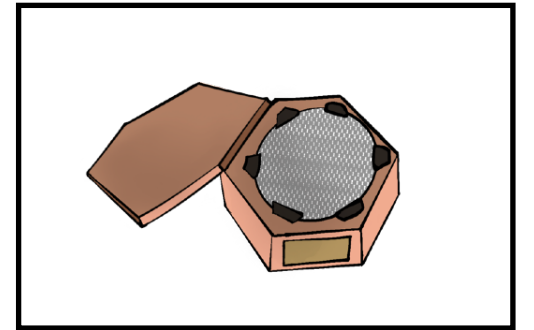
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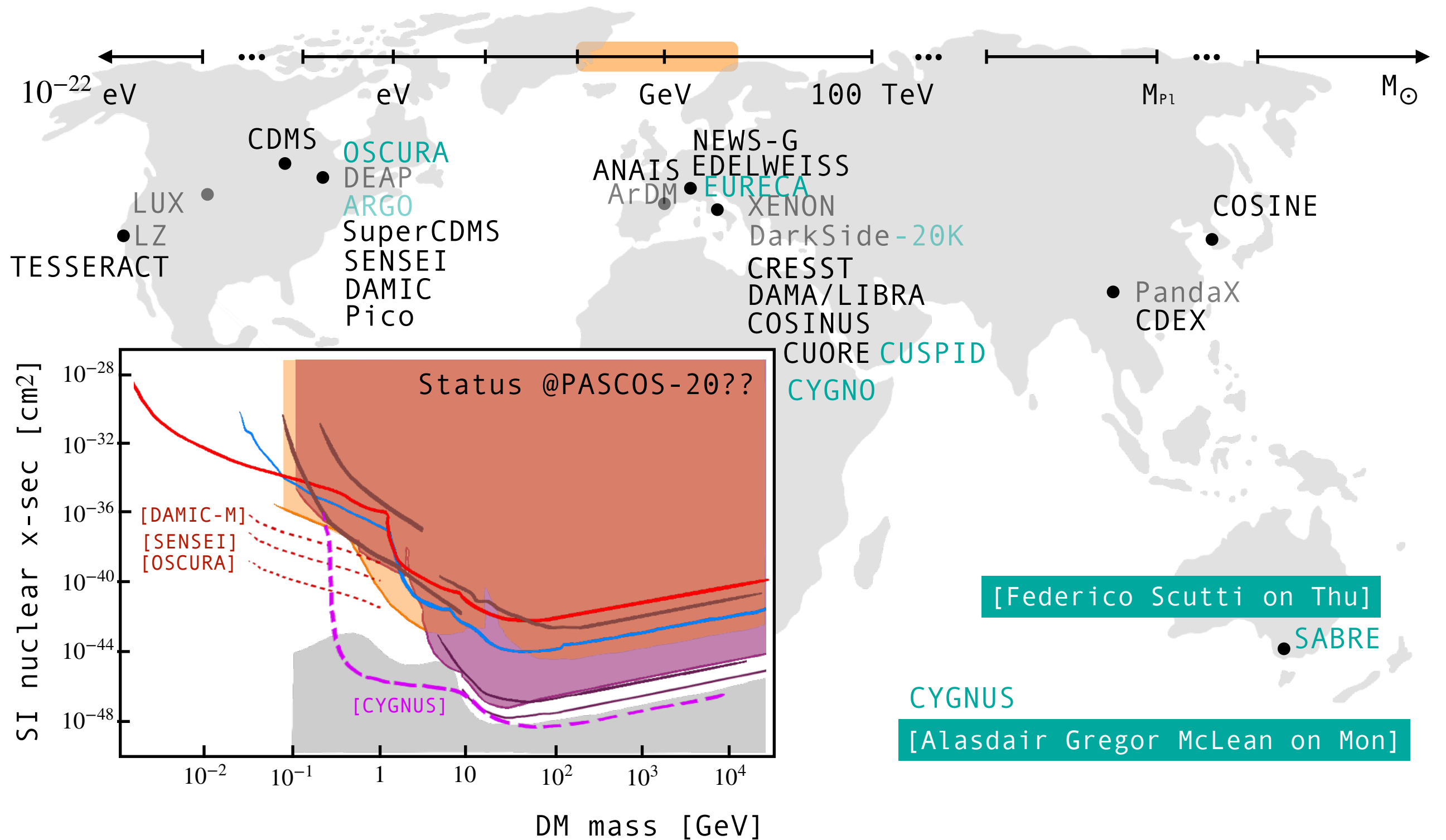
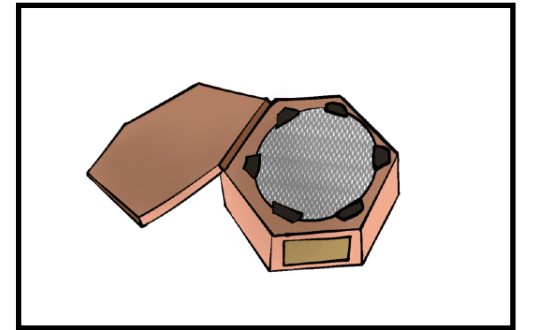
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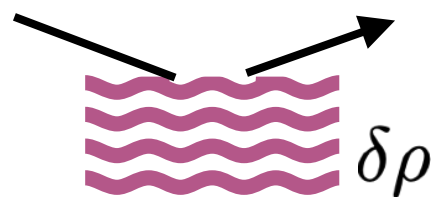
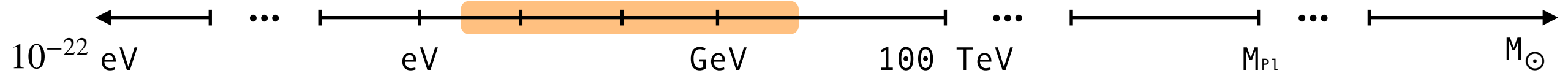
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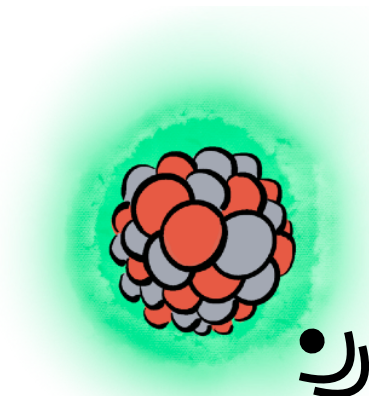


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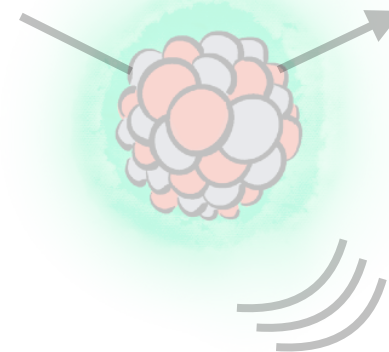
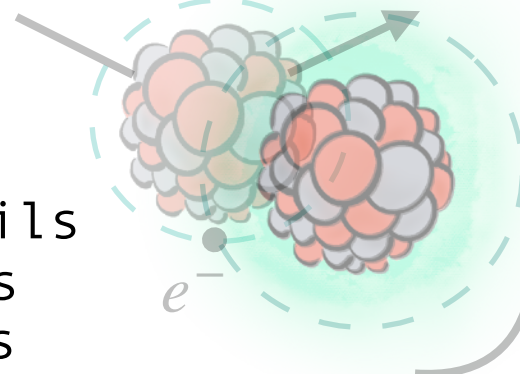
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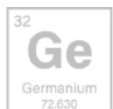
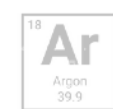
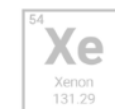


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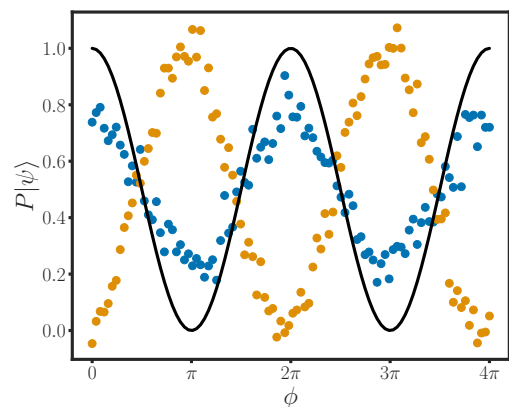
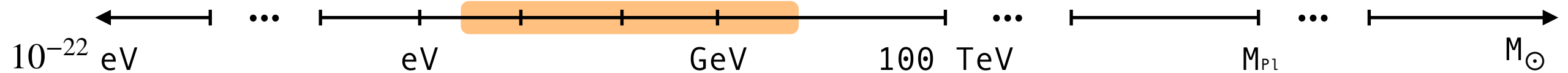
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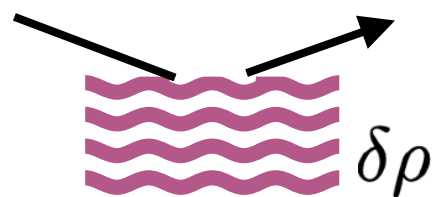
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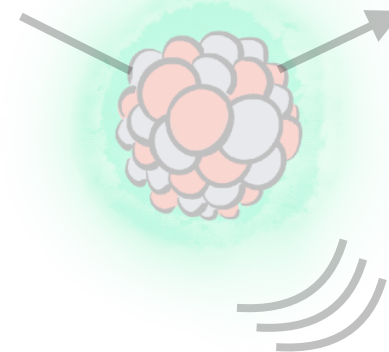
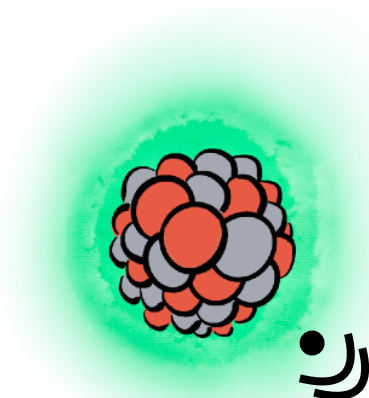
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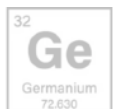
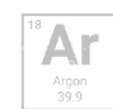
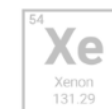


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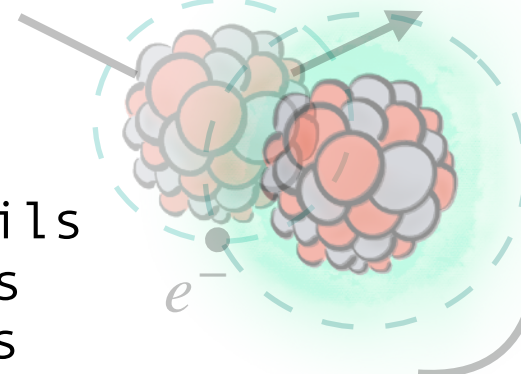
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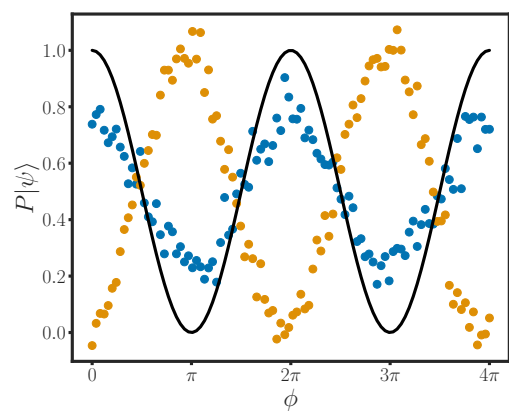
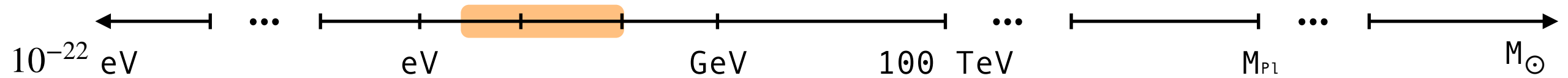


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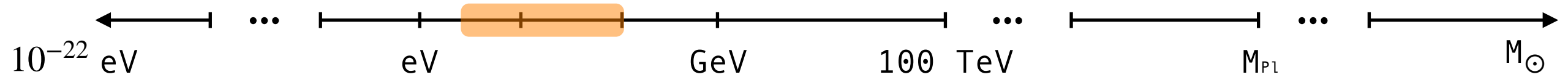


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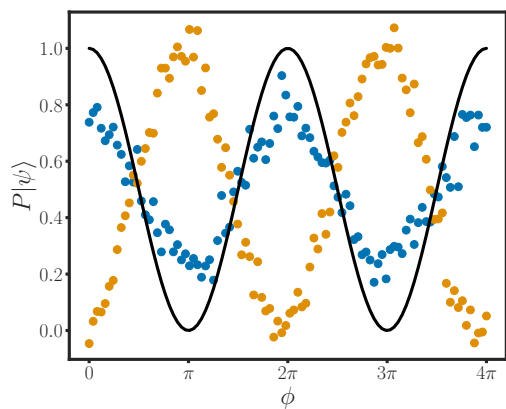
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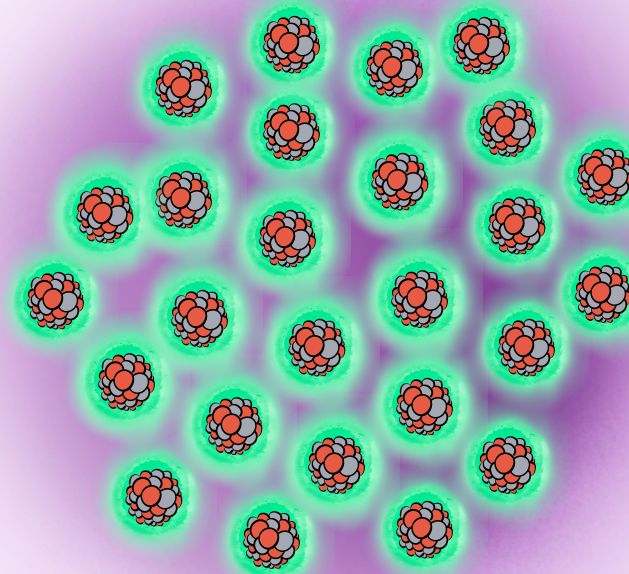


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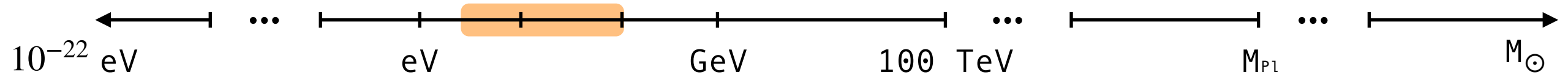
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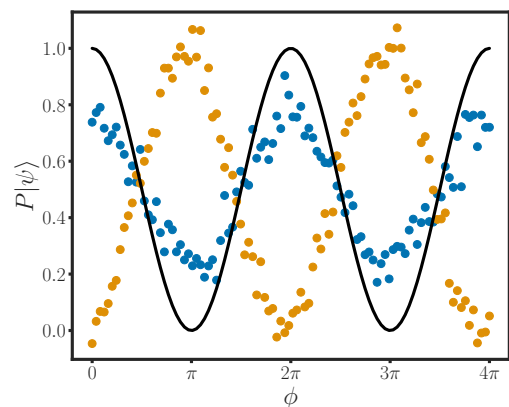


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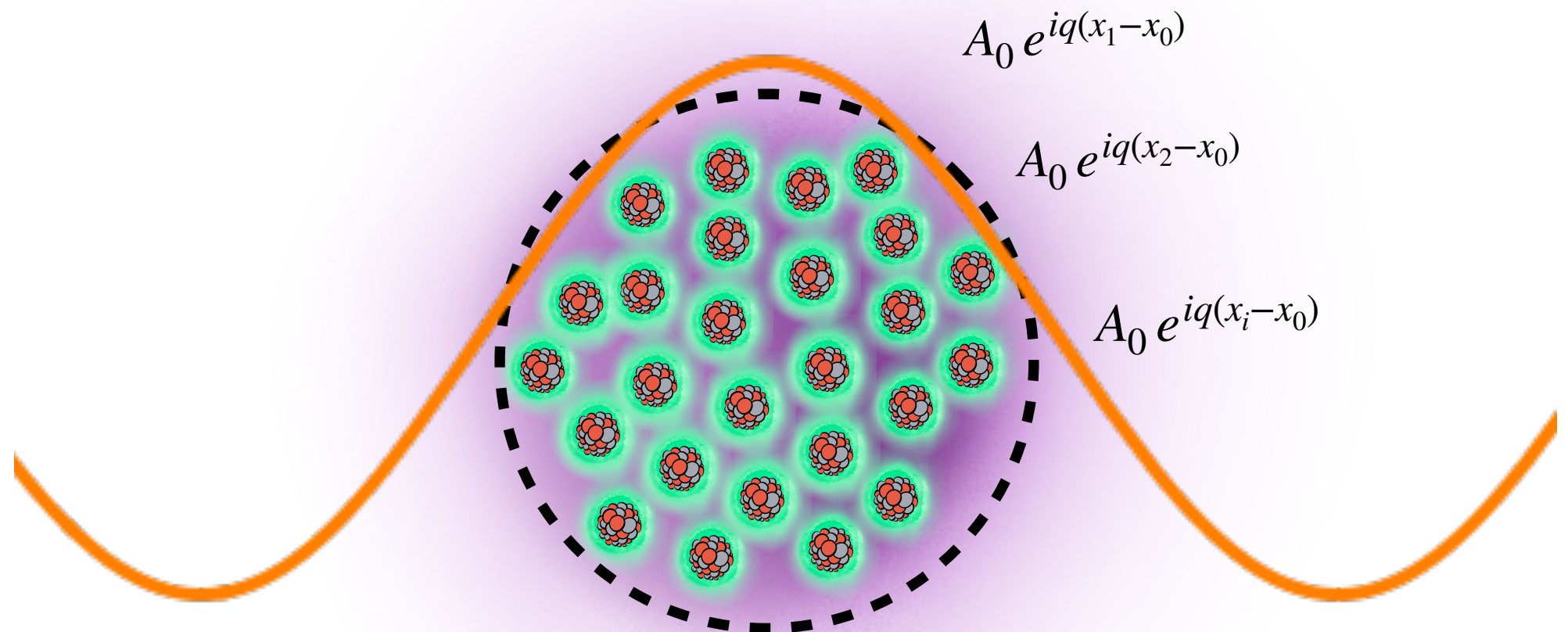
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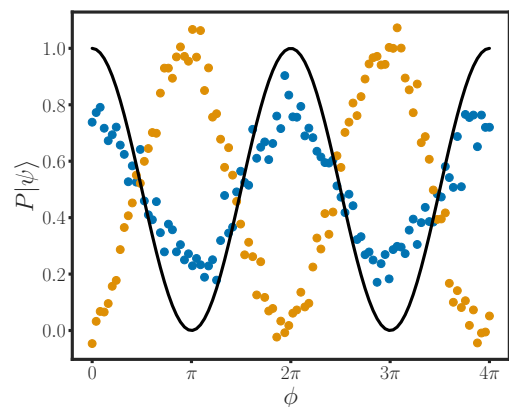
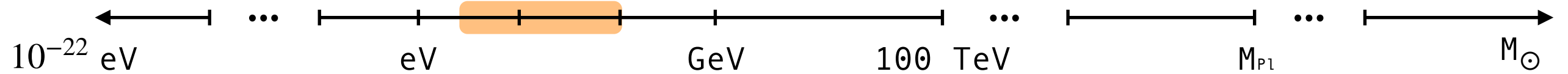
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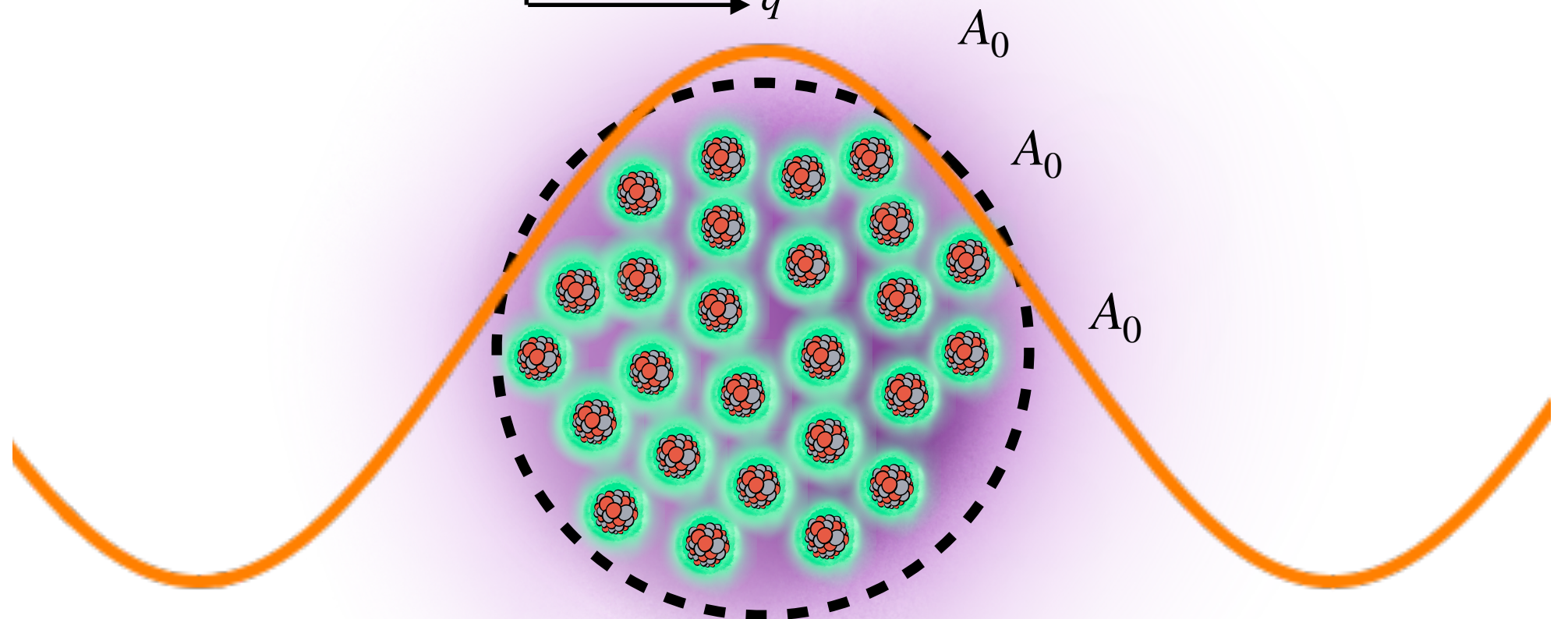
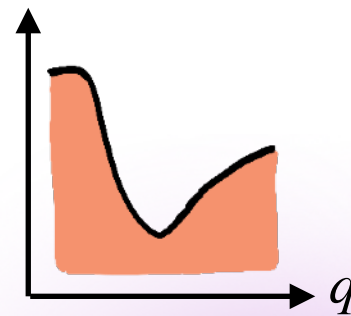
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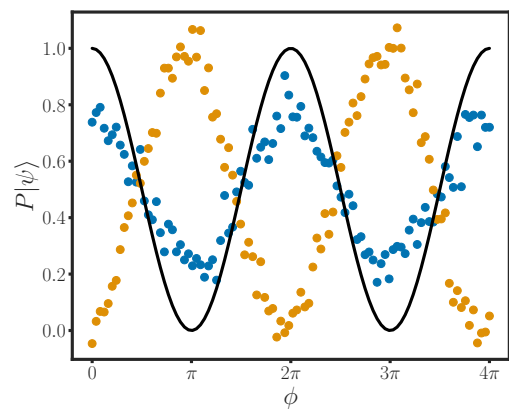
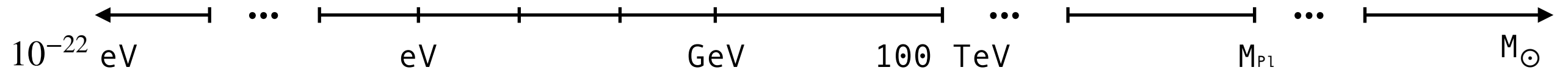
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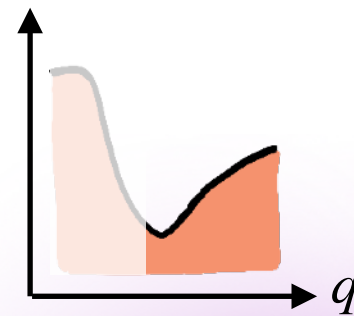
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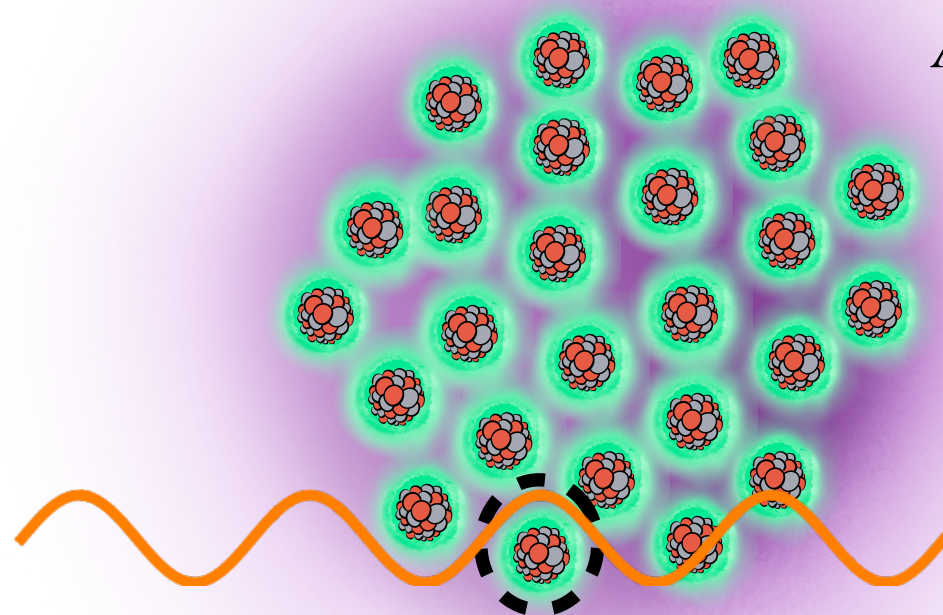
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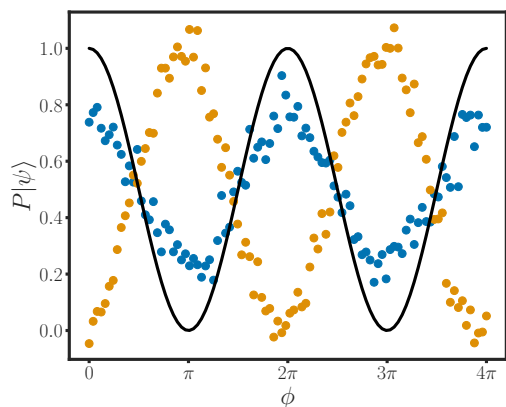
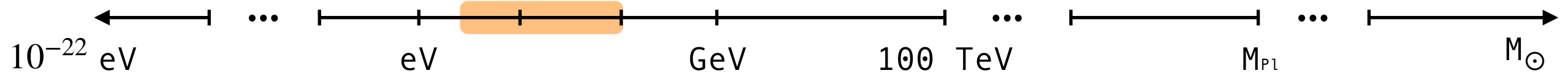
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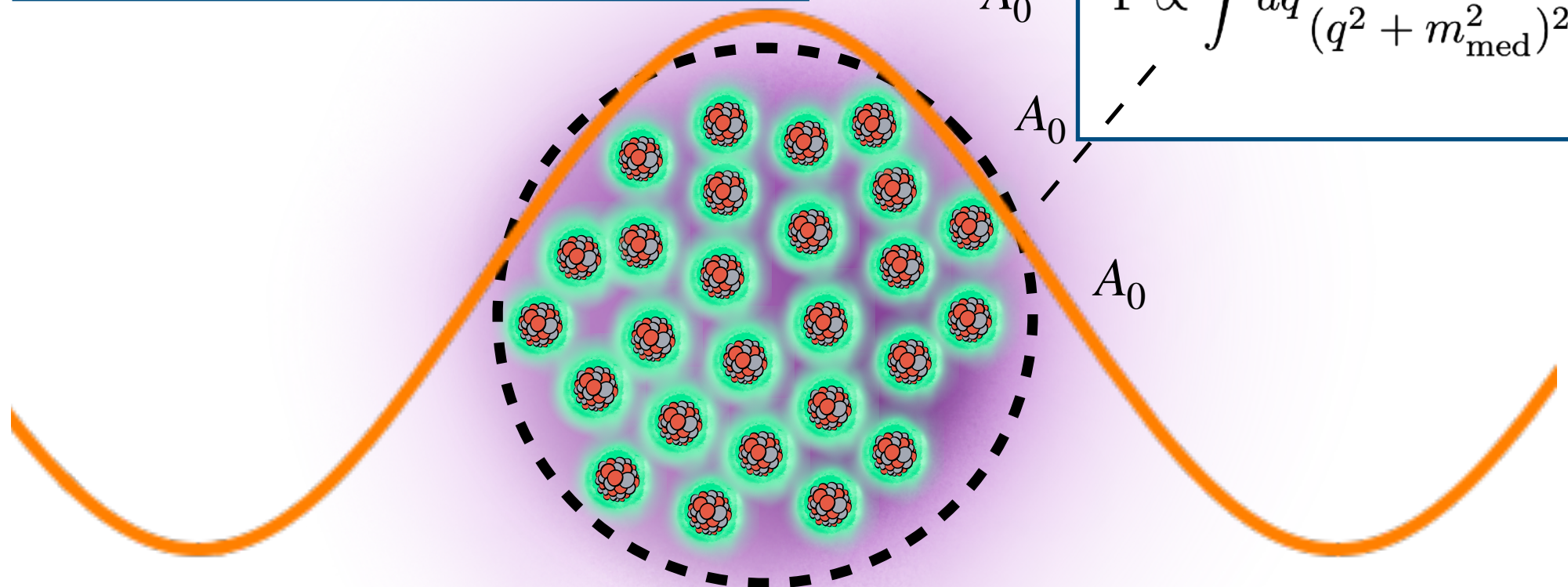
$$\Gamma \propto \int_0^{q_{\max}} dq (\dots)$$

Graph of a function of q with an orange shaded area under the curve.

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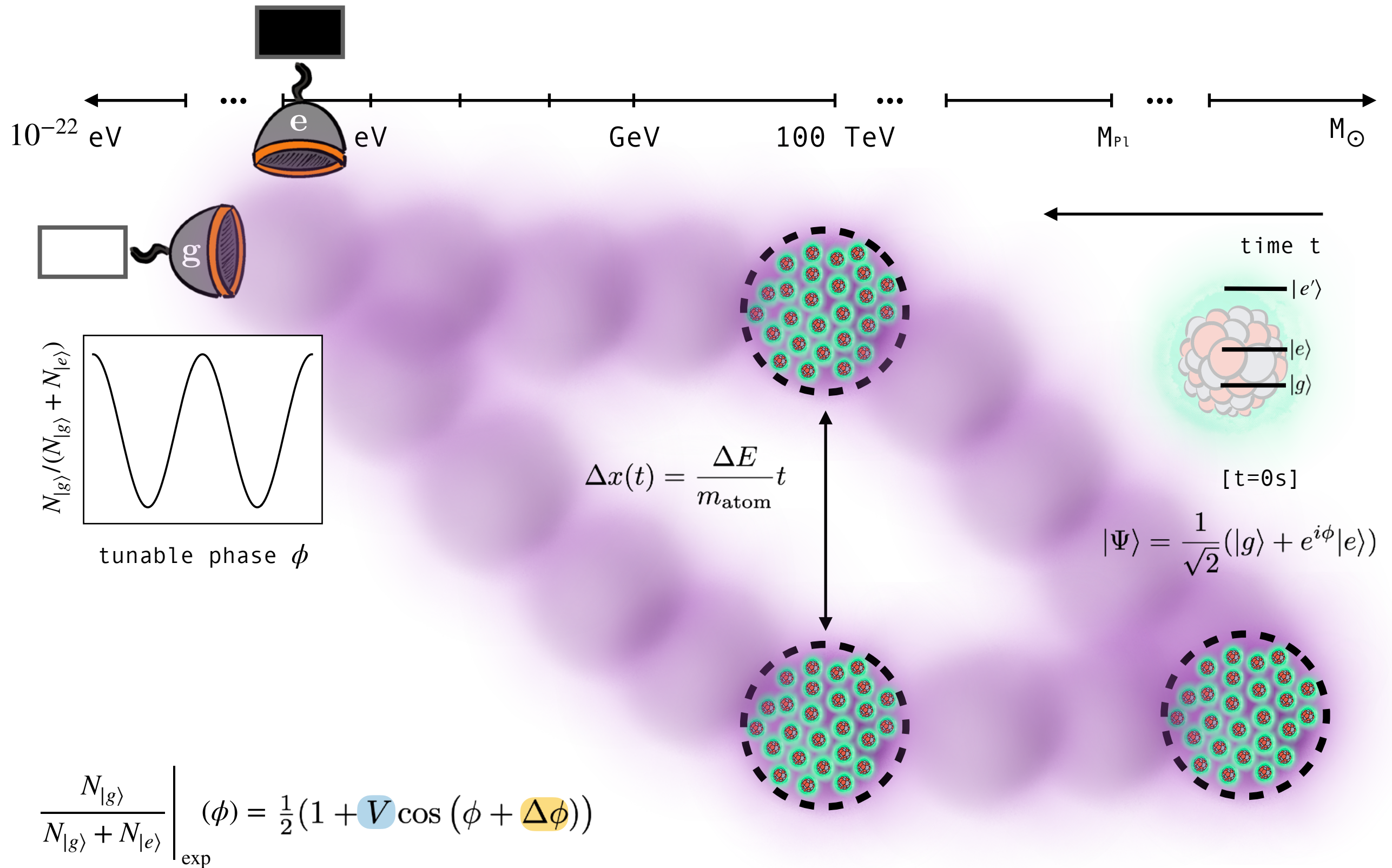
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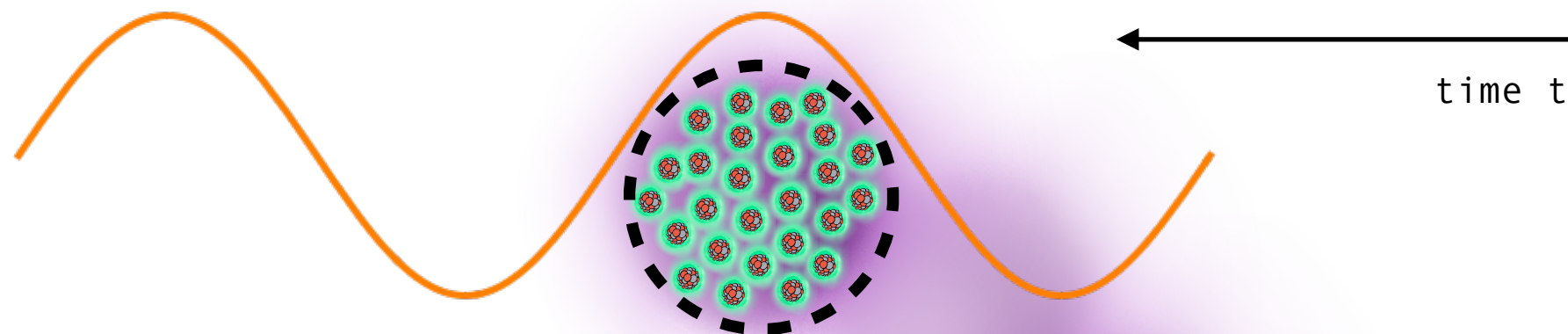
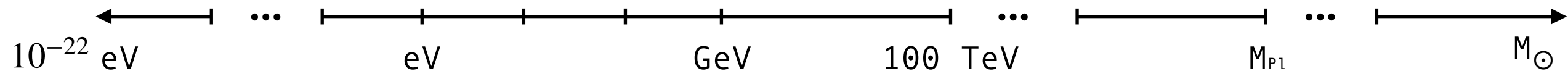
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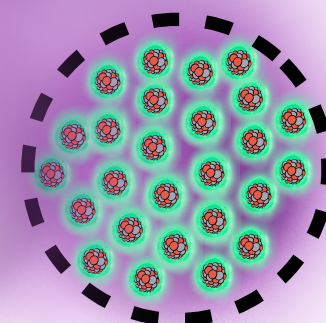
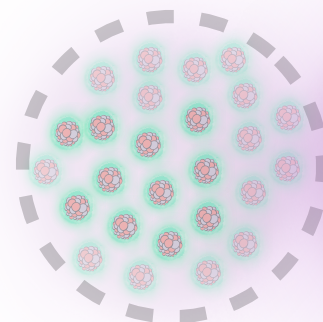


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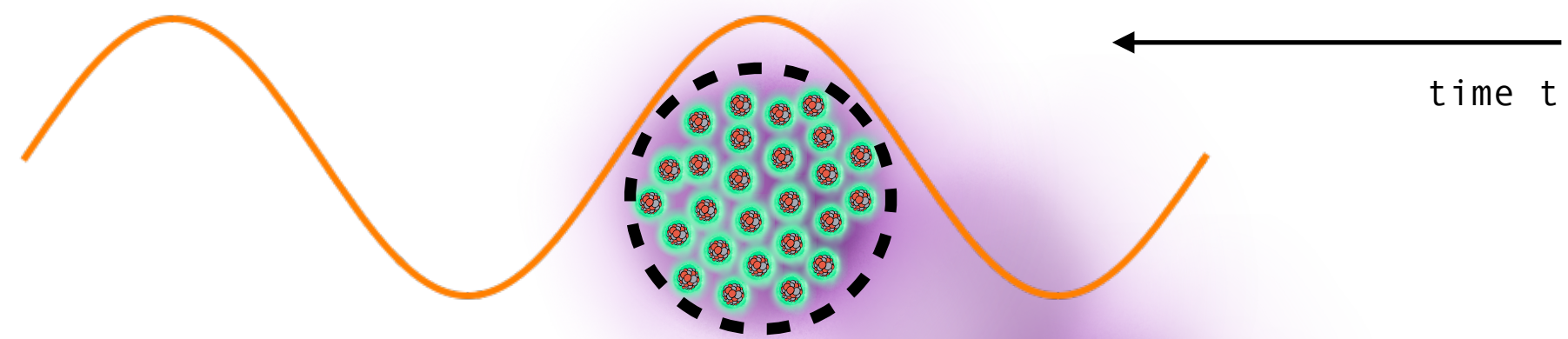
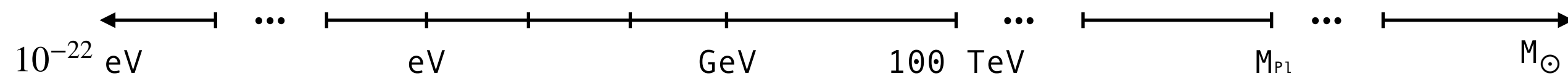
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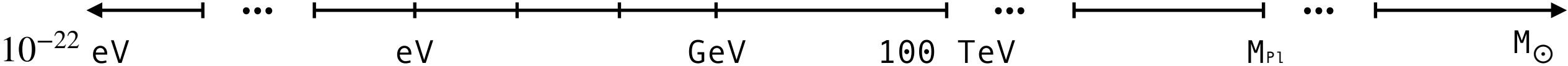
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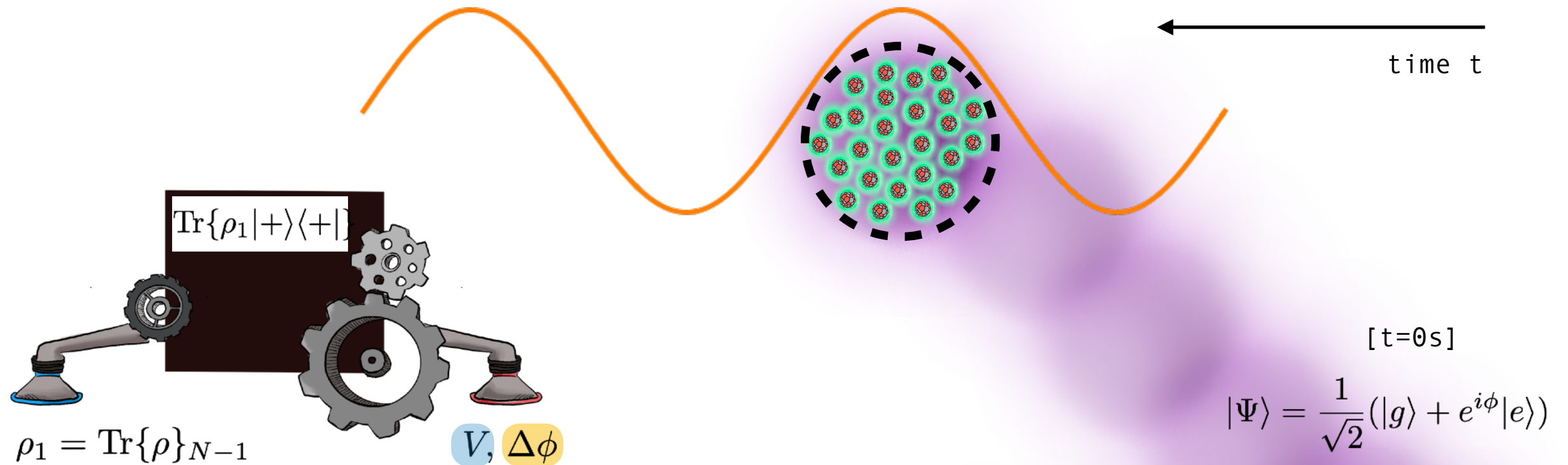
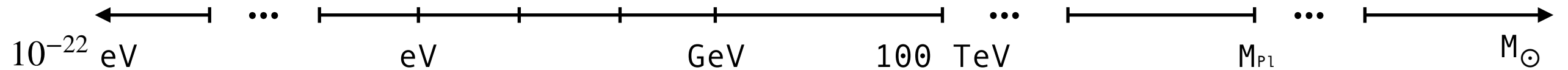
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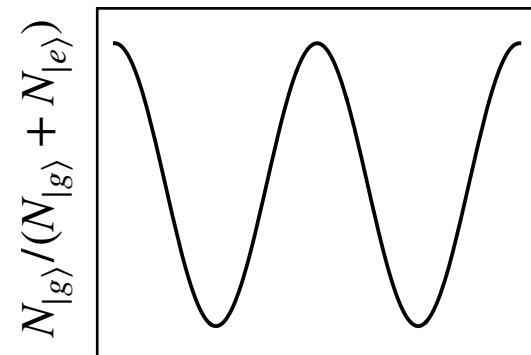
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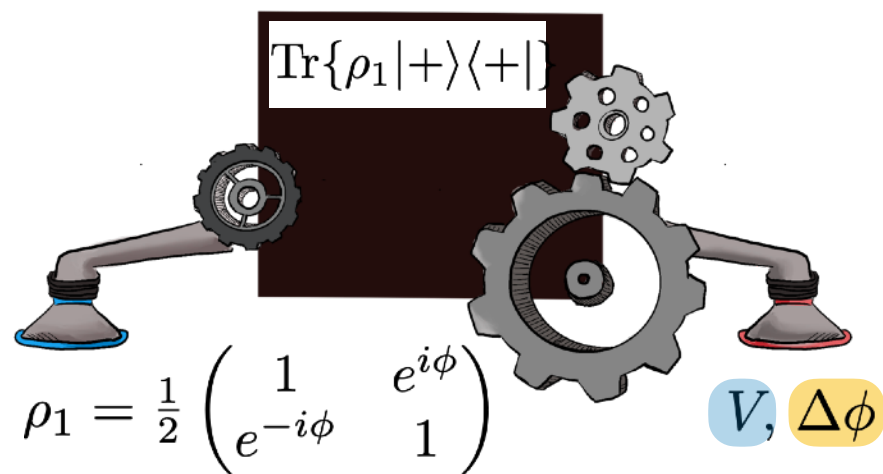


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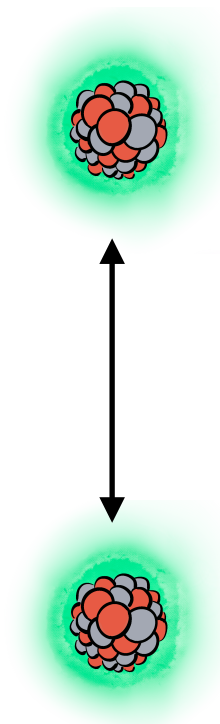
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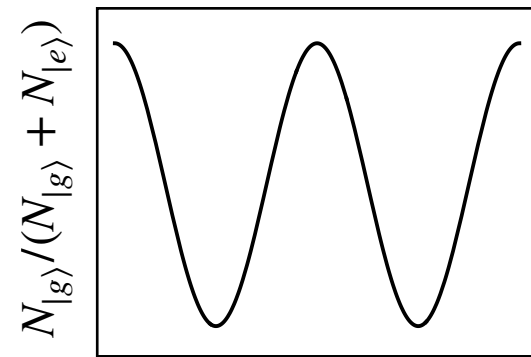


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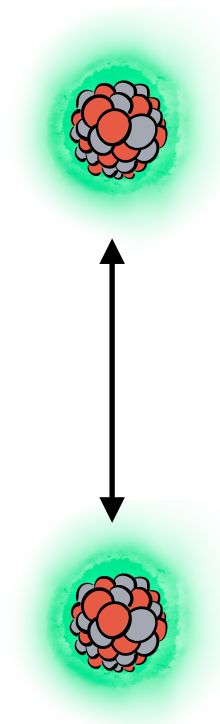
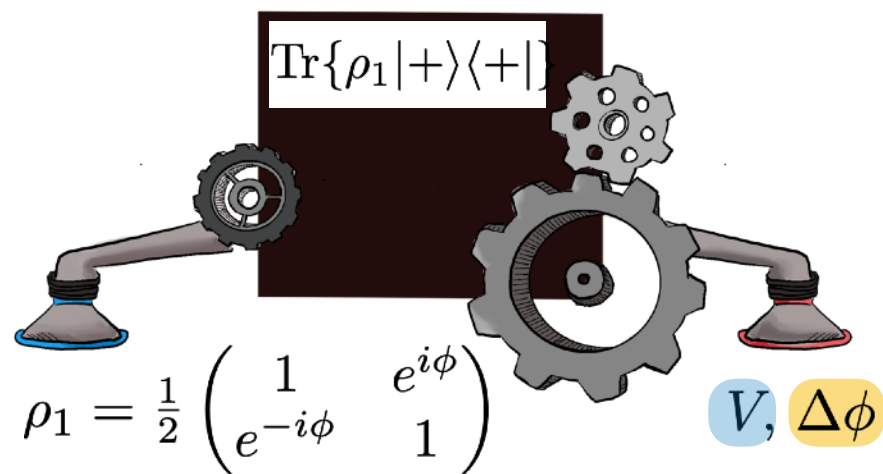
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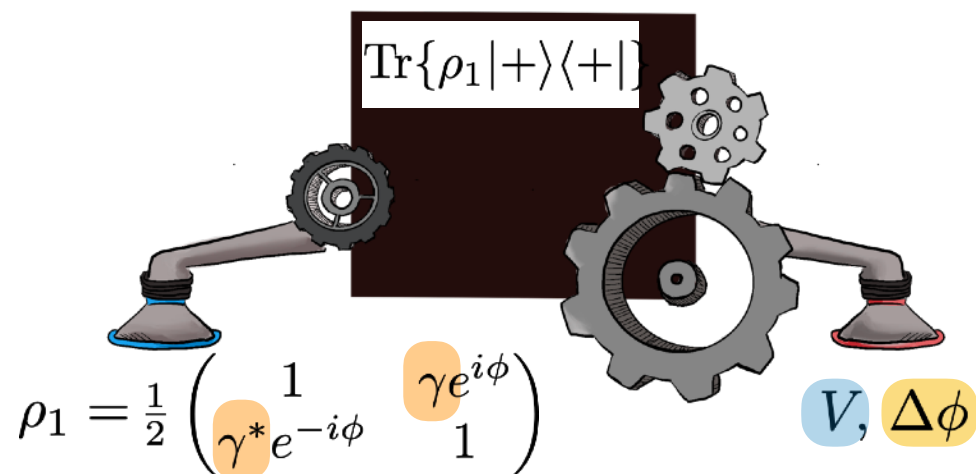
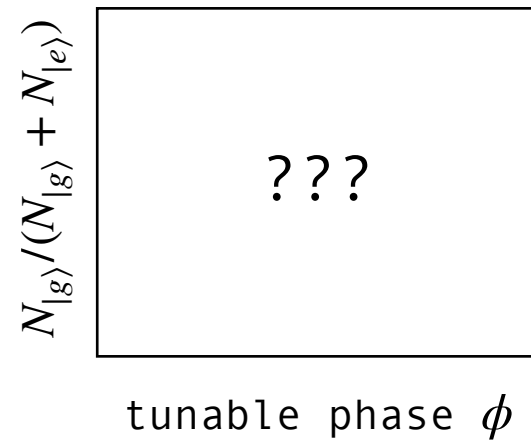
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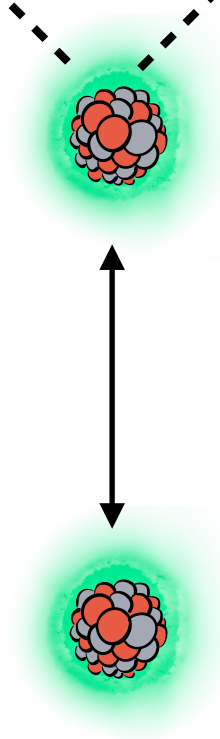
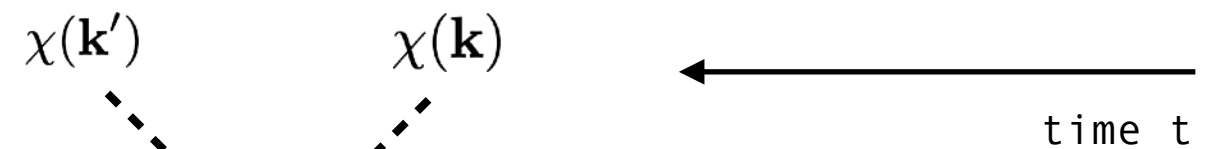


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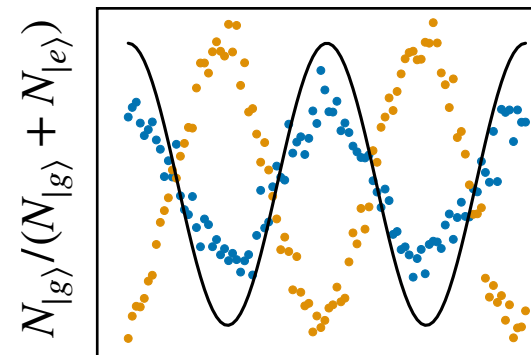
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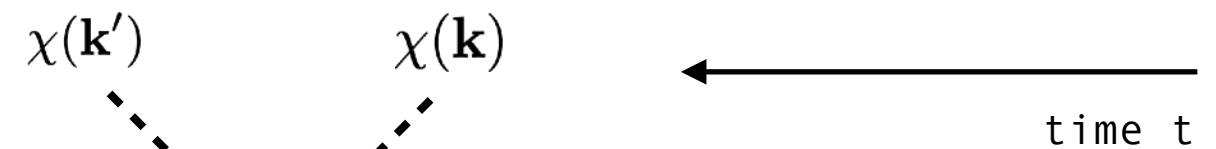
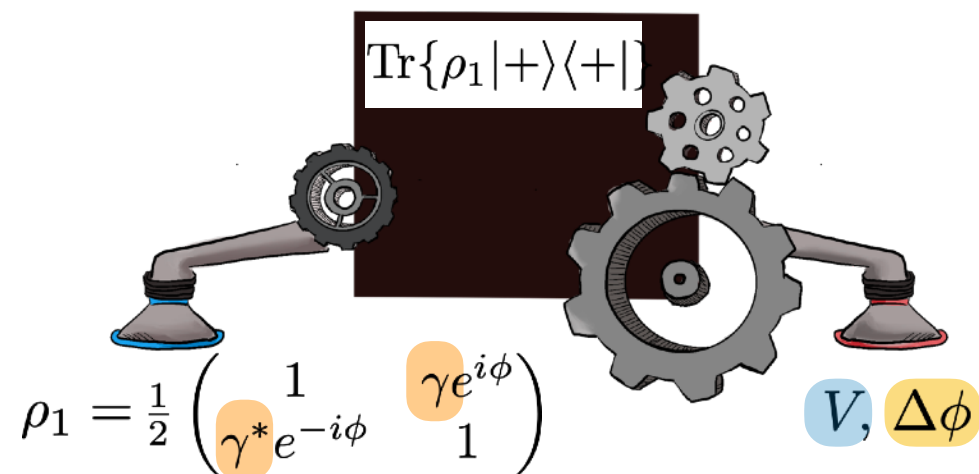
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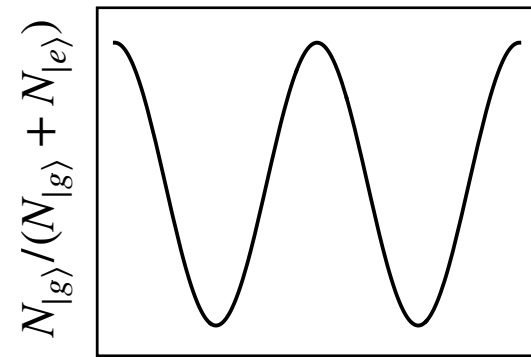
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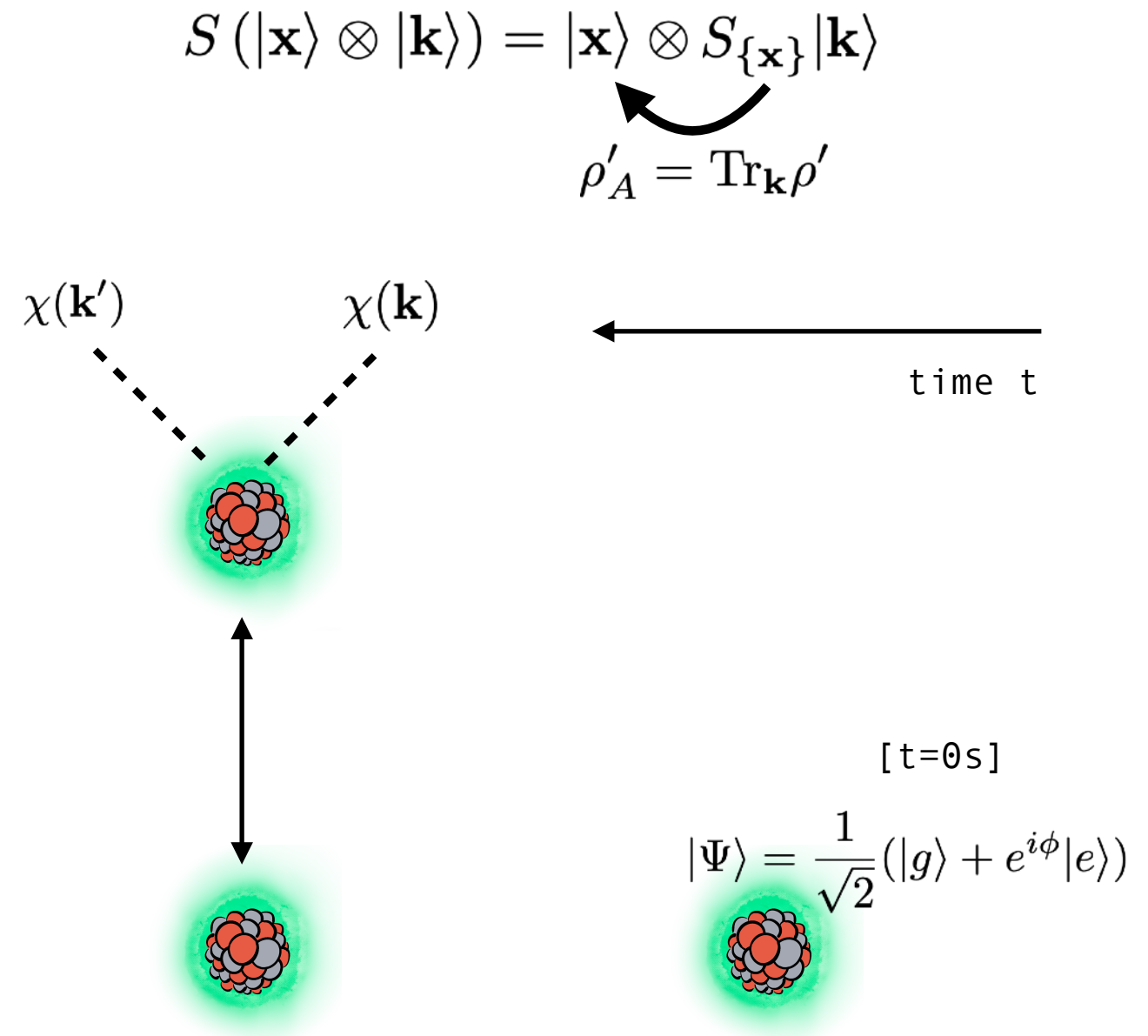
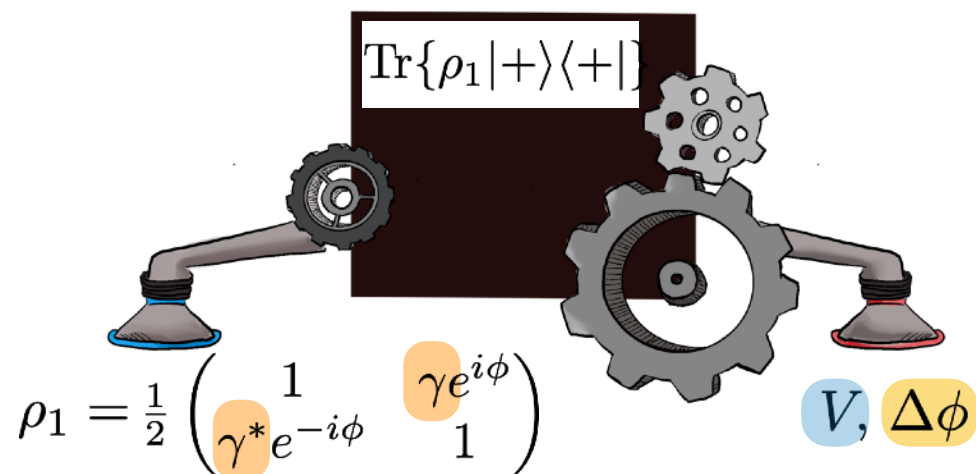
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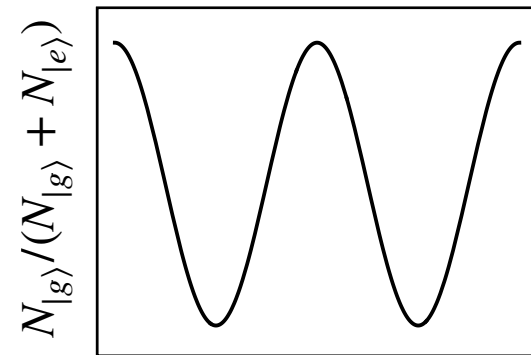
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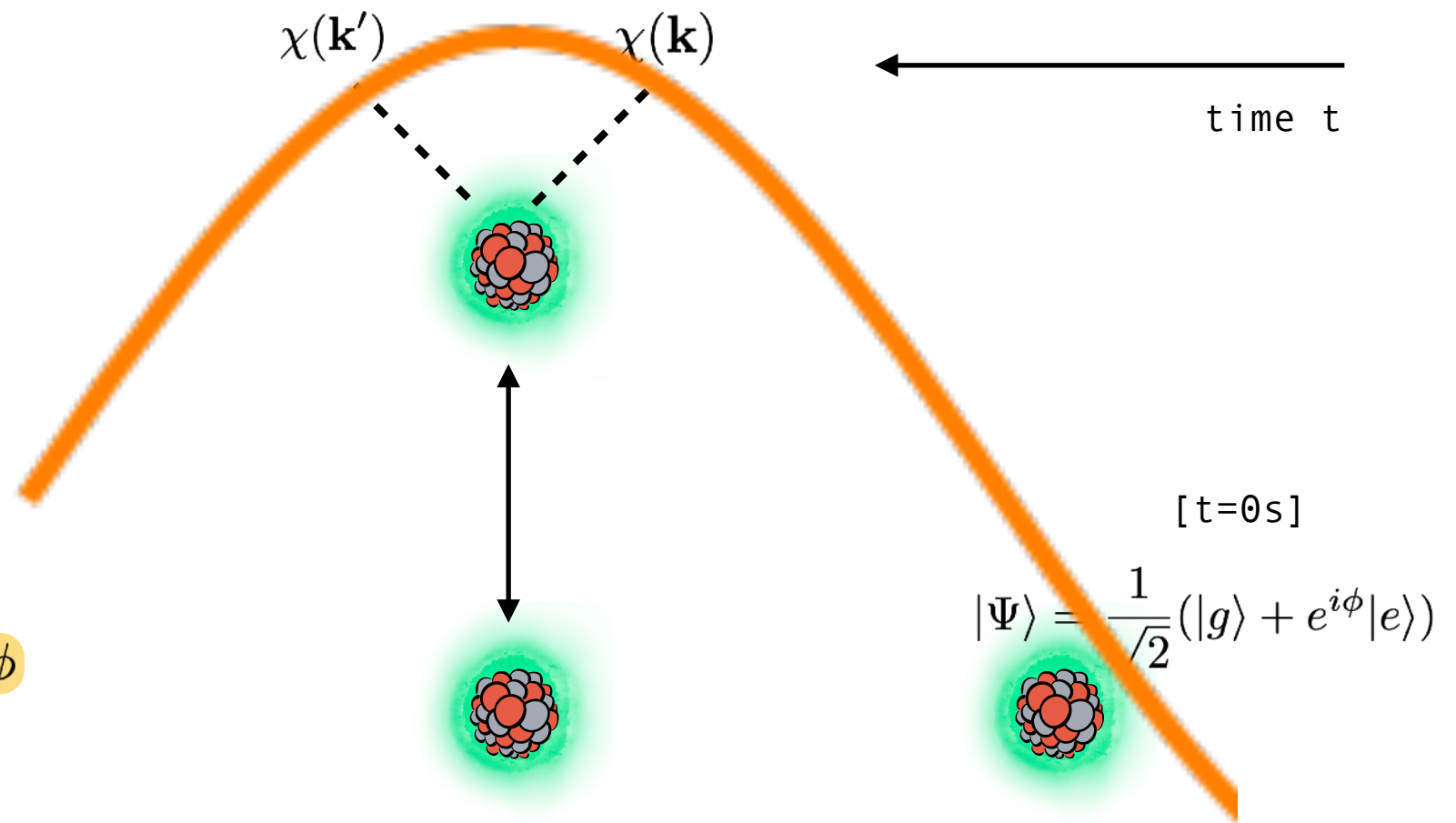
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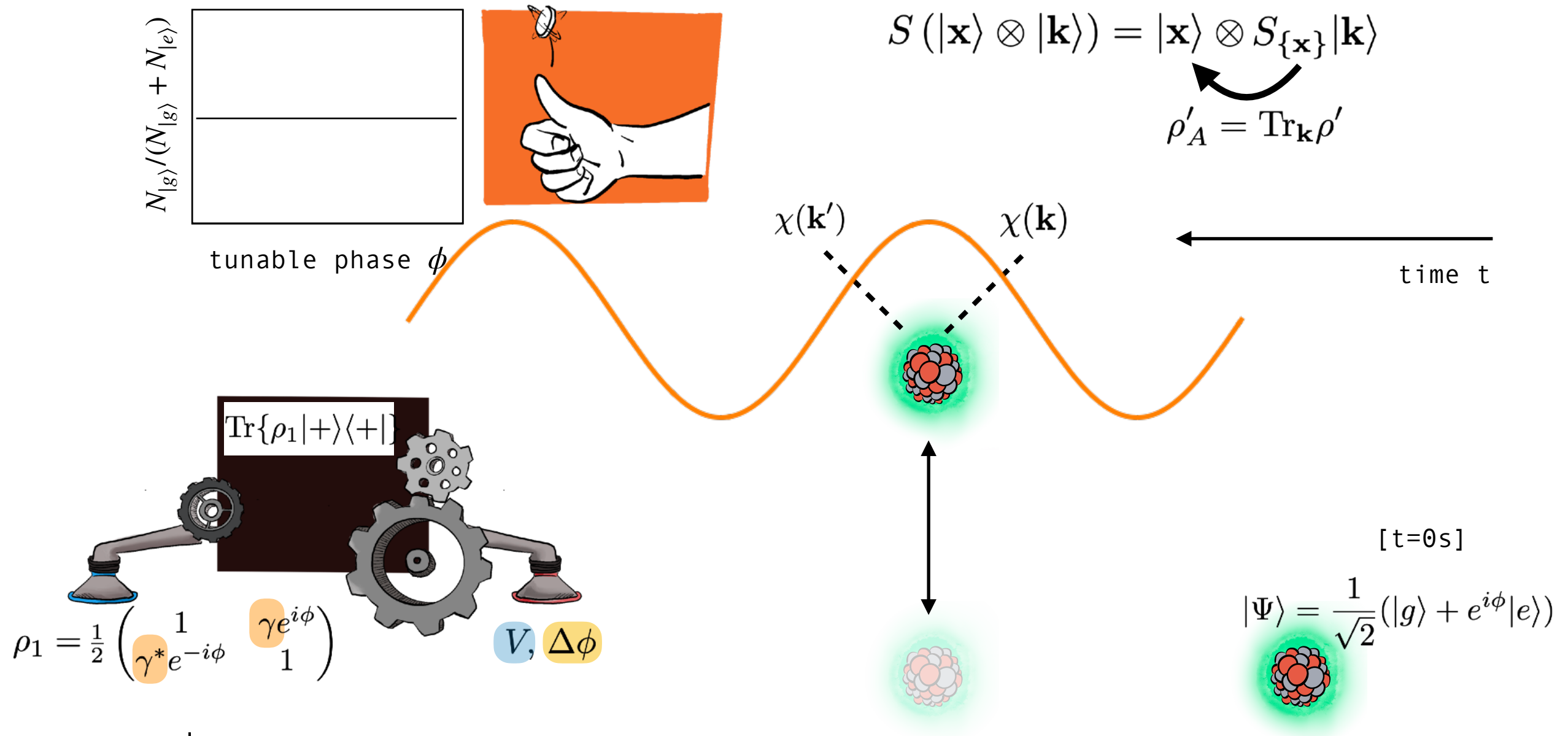
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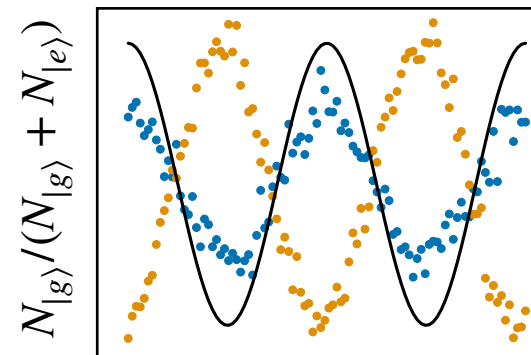
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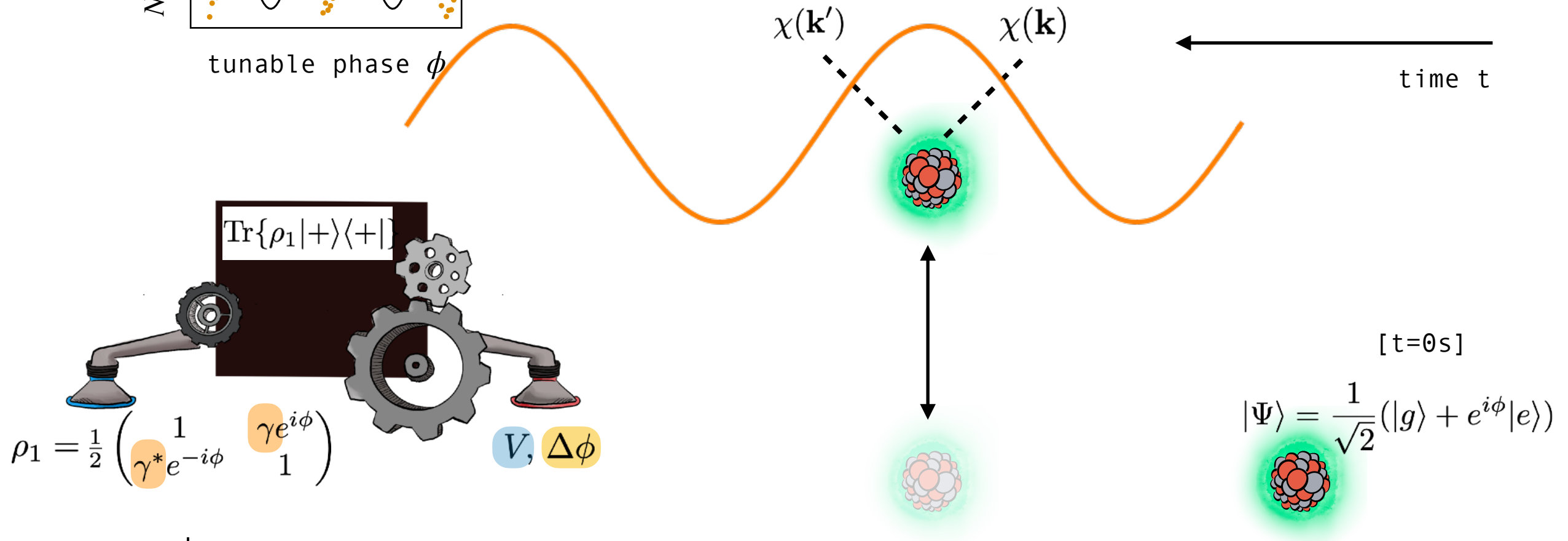
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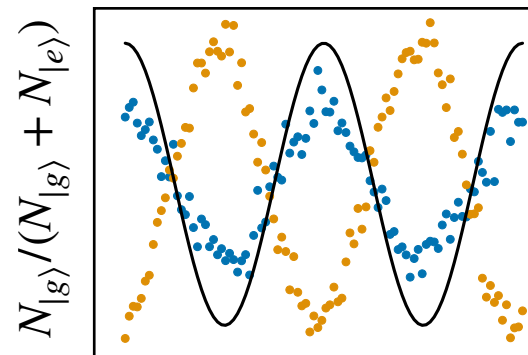
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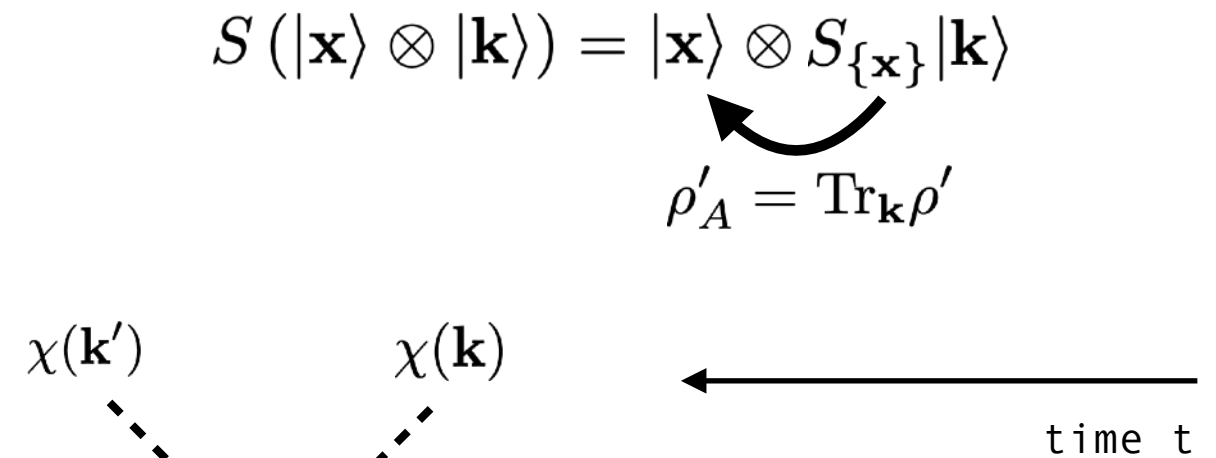
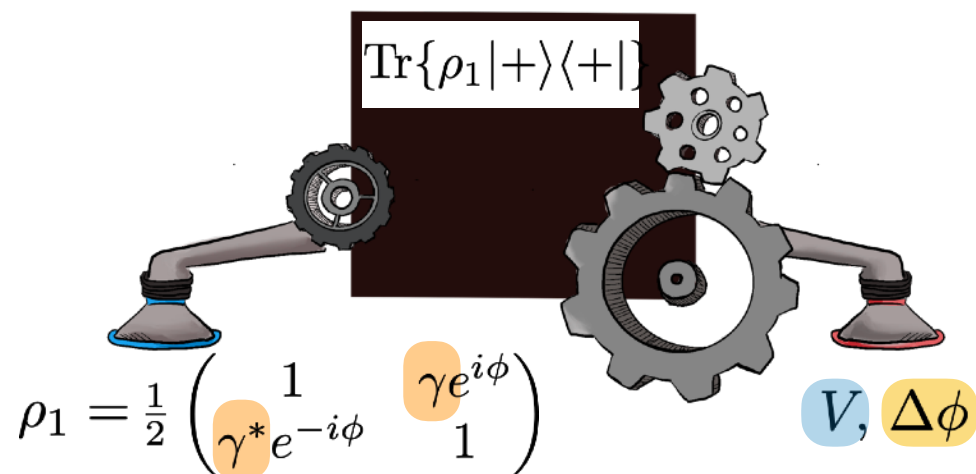
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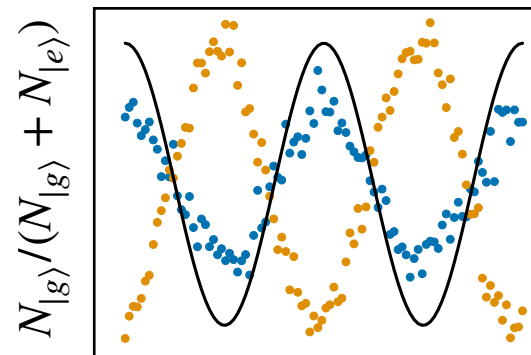
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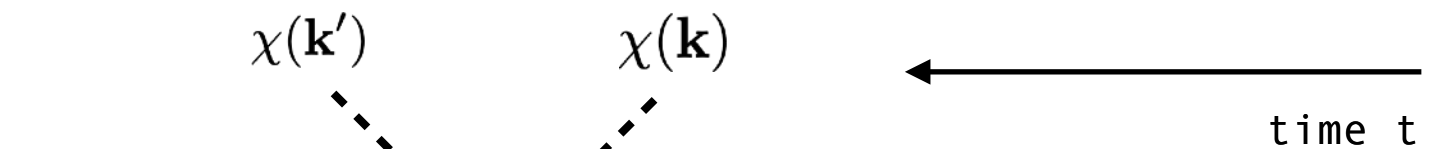
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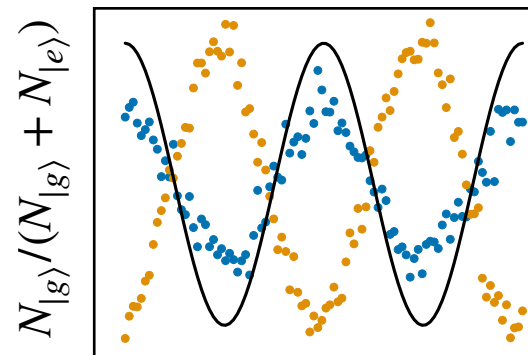
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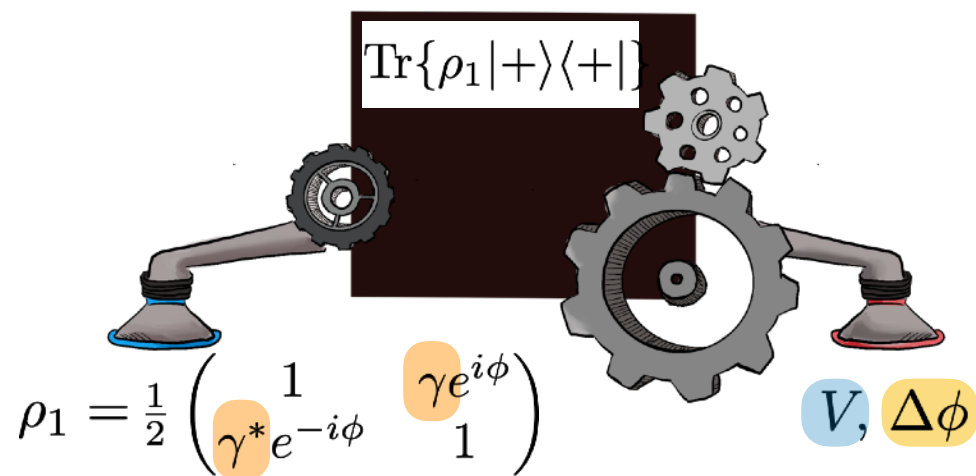
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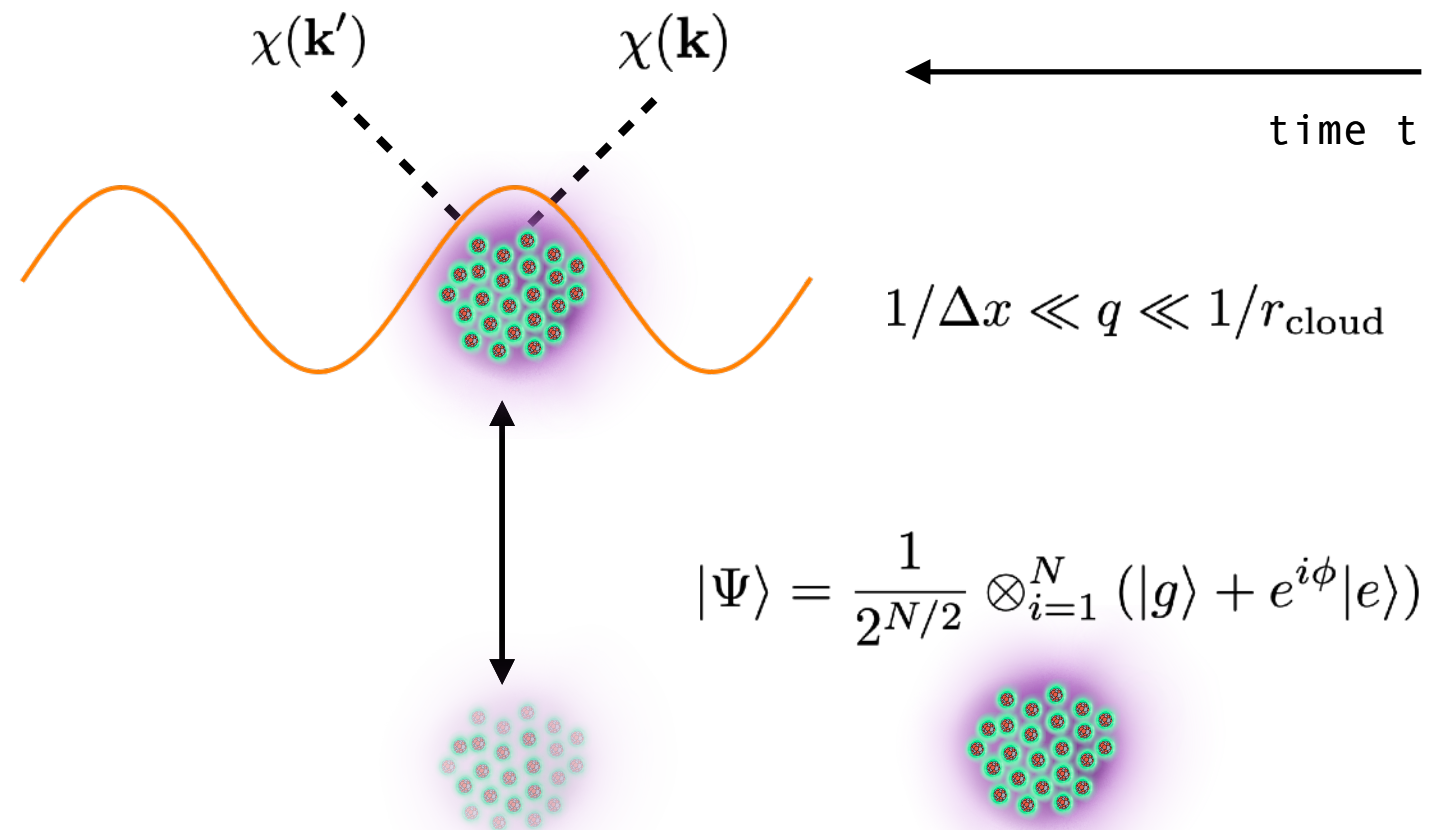


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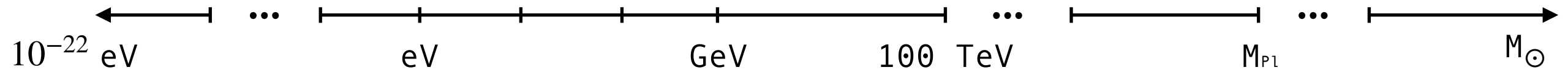
DM constraints [Du, Pardo, CM, Wang, Zurek 2022]

Backgrounds [Du, Pardo, CM, Wang, Zurek 2023]

Other observables [CM, Plestid, in preparation]

Quantum sensors

atom interferometers

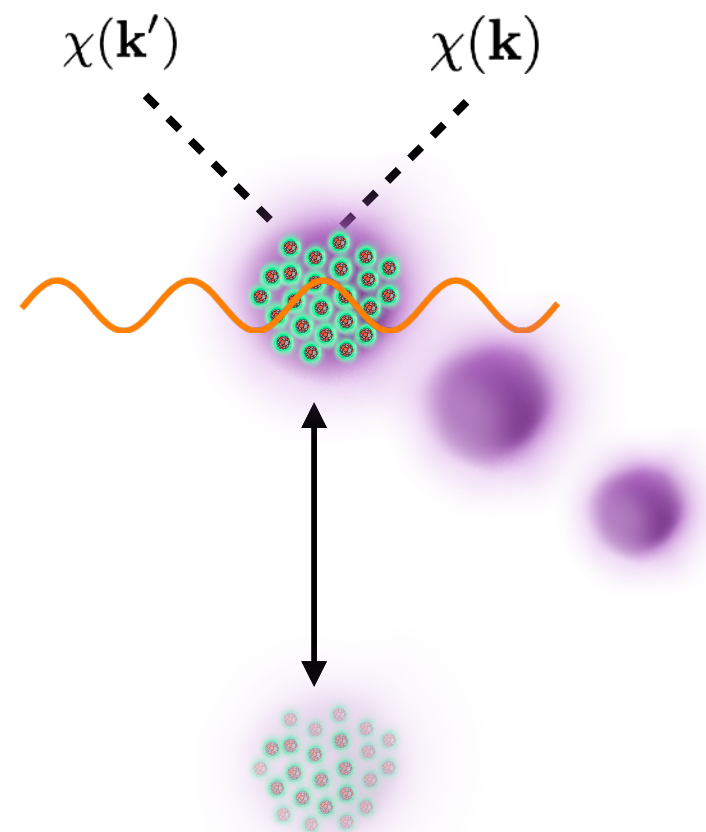


Extended formalism

- ✓ cloud structure ($\forall q$)
- ✓ cloud spreading (T effects)
squeezing

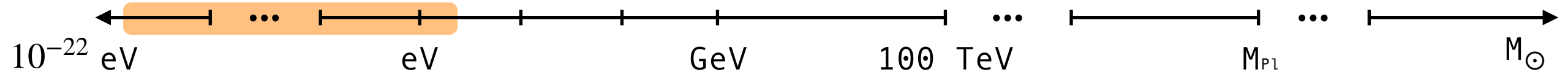
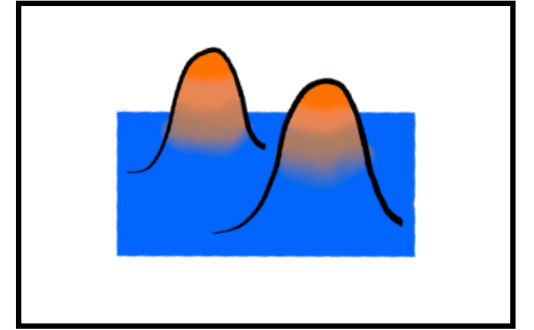
Testing @ the lab (SM physics)

- ✓ optimal experimental setup
- ✓ optimal background source



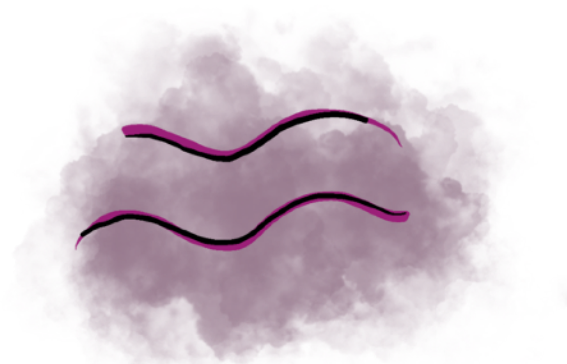
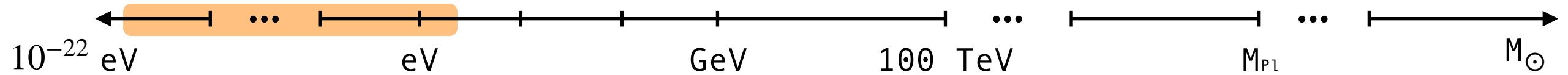
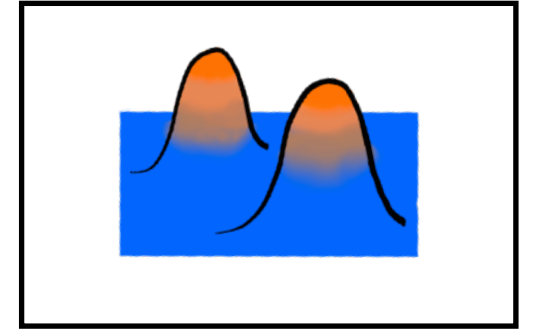
[CM, Plestid, 2508.XXXXX]

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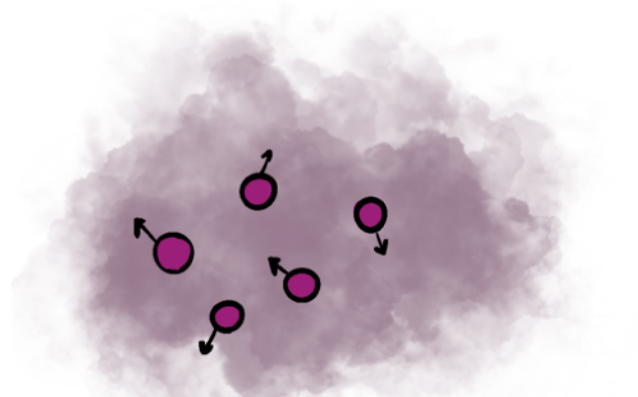


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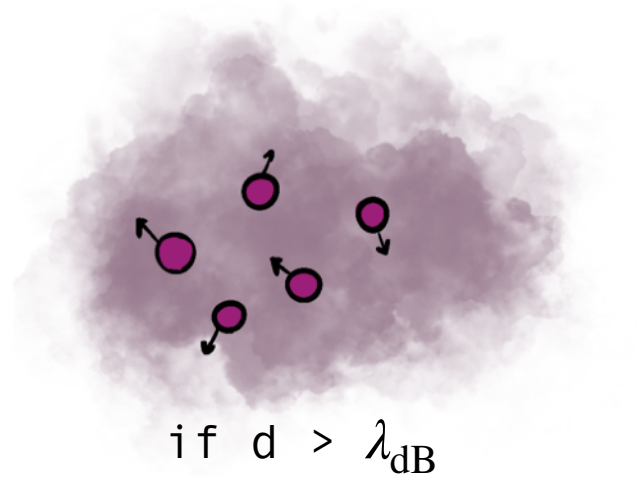
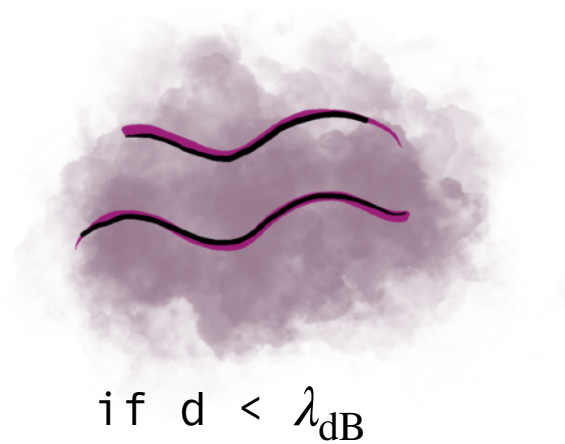
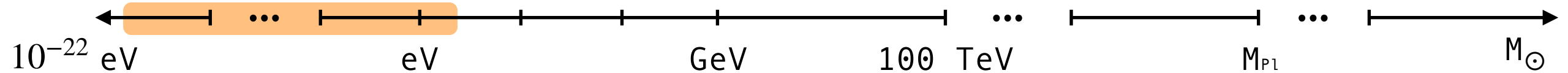
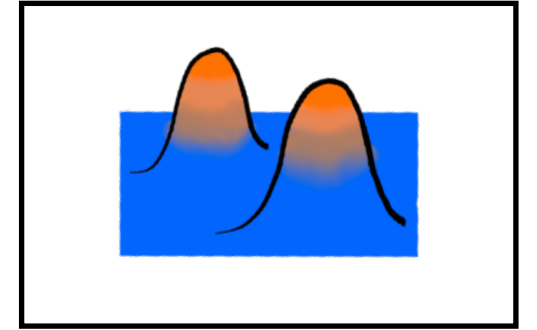


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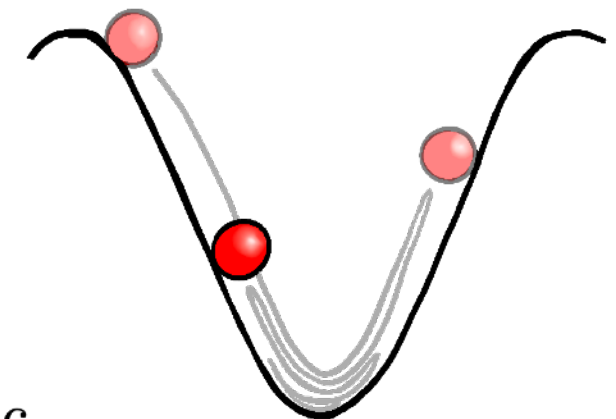
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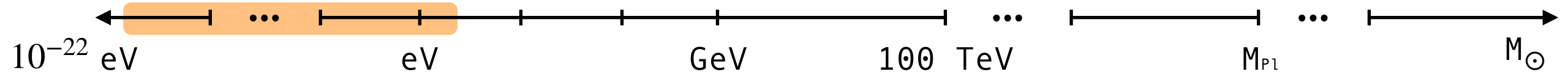
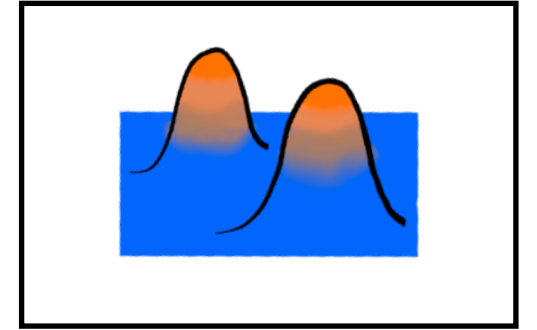
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$C_{\text{SM}}(t)$ enter in atomic energy splittings! $\Rightarrow$ precision physics @ low energies

Quantum sensors accelerometers



e.g. atomic clocks

$$\Delta E = f[C_{\text{SM}}(t)]$$

$|e\rangle$

$|g\rangle$

$|g\rangle$ state preparation

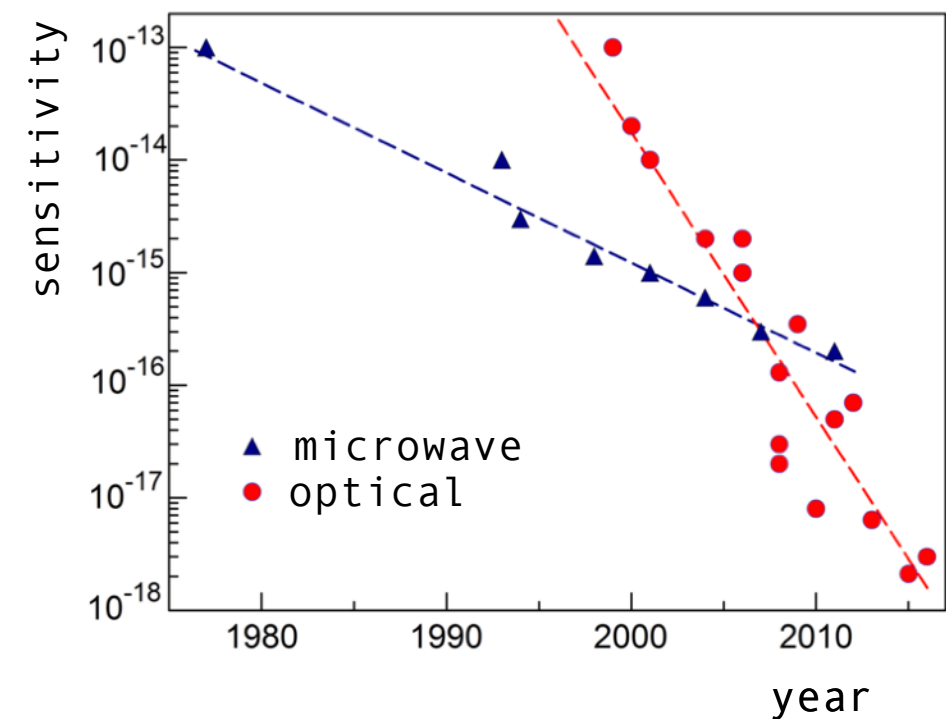
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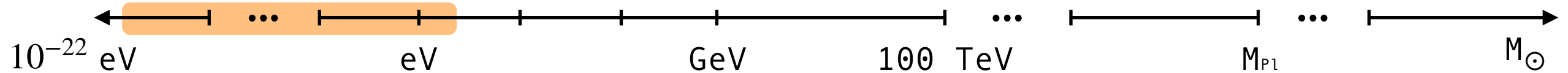
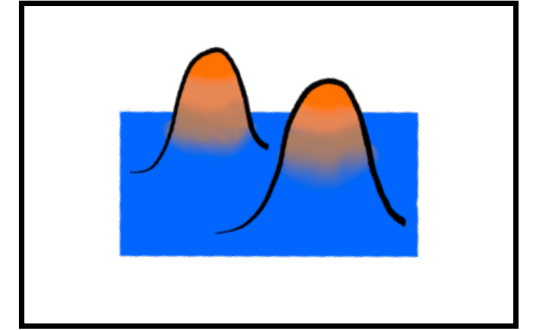
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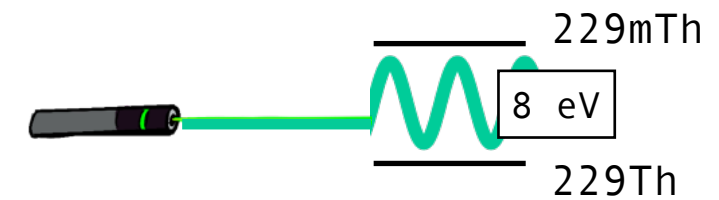
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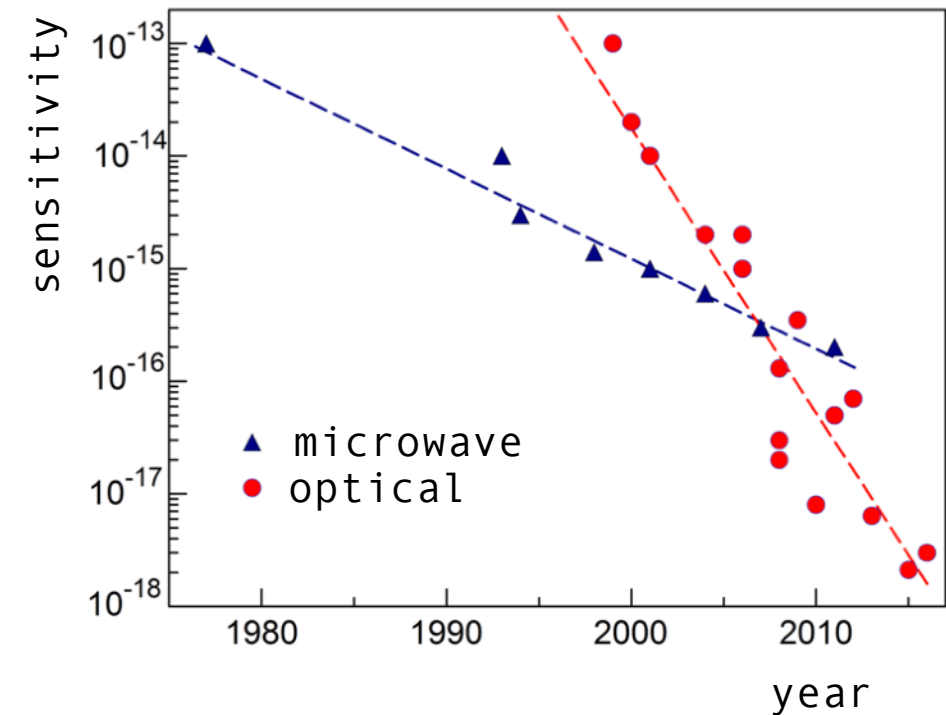
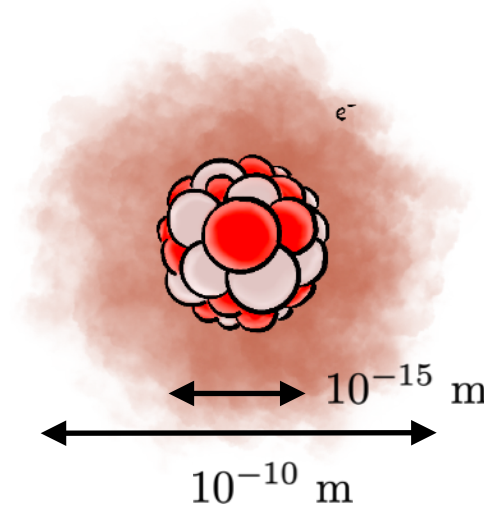
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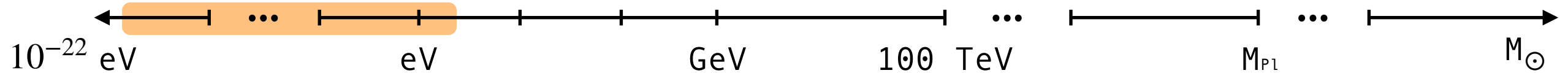
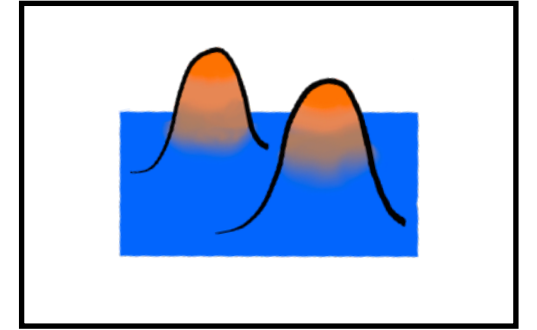
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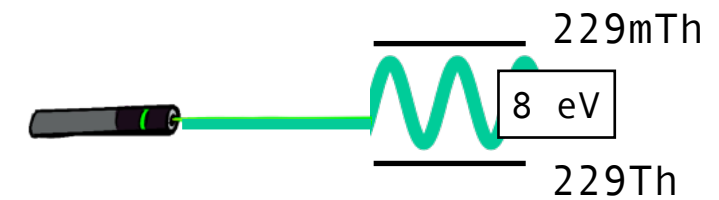
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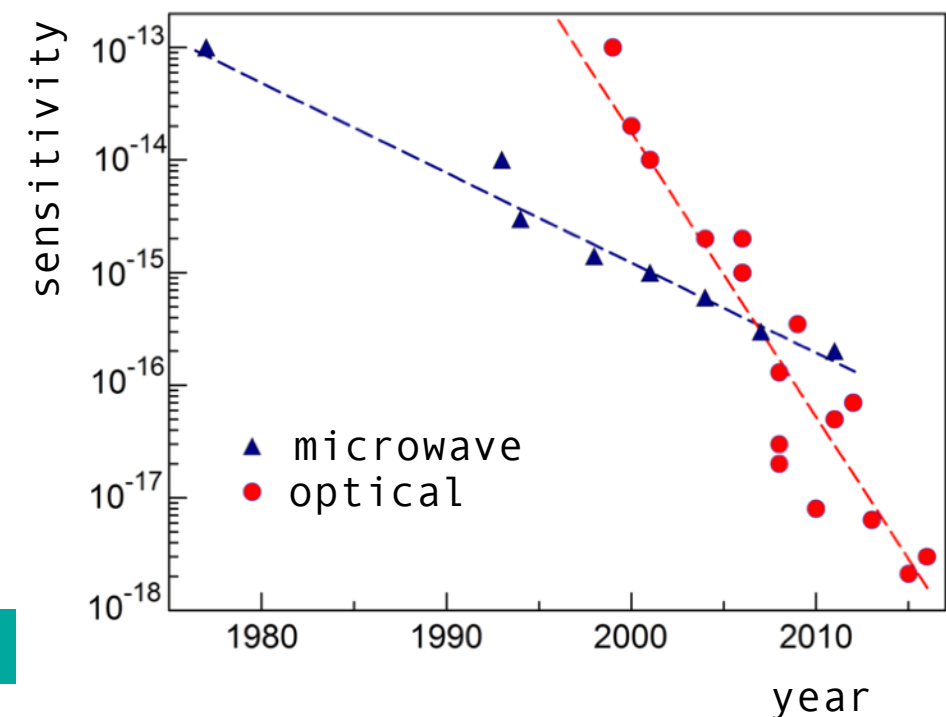
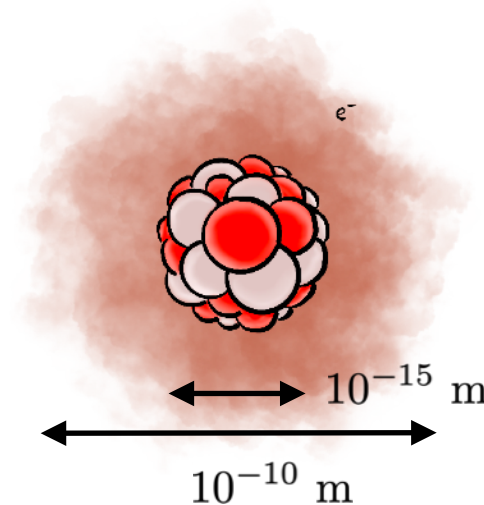
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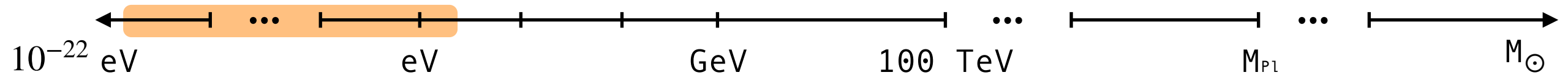
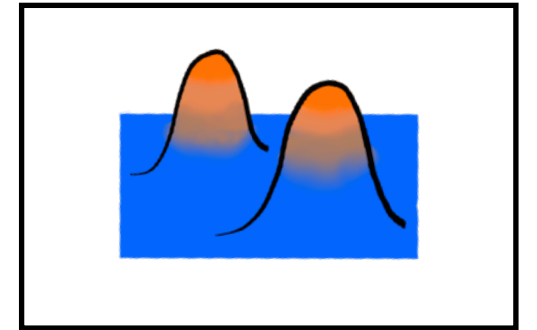
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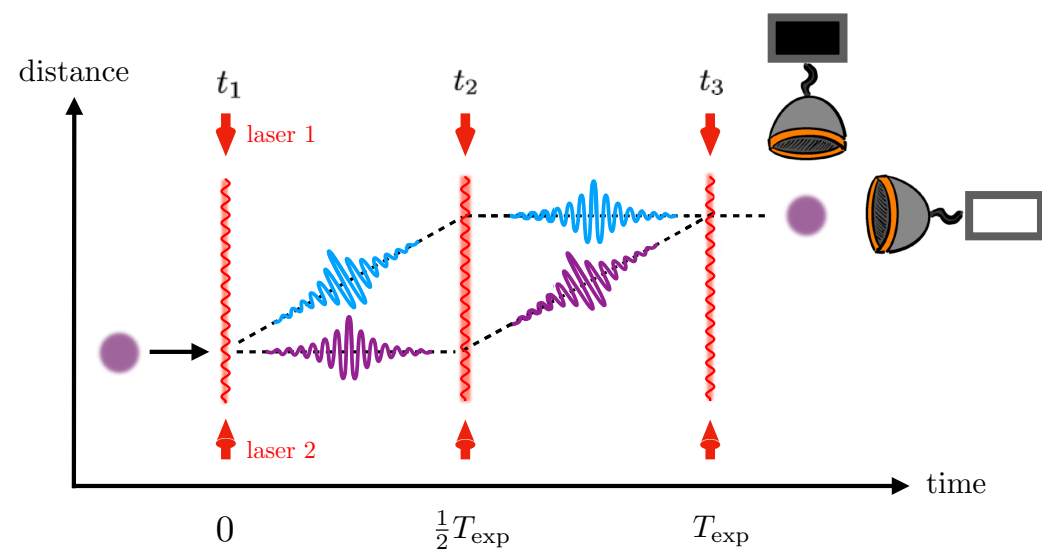


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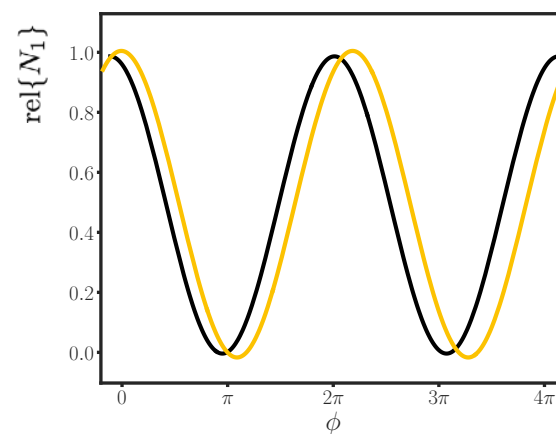
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e.g. optical & atom interferometers



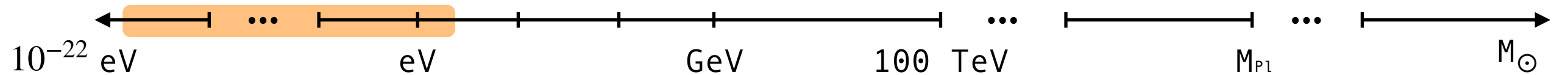
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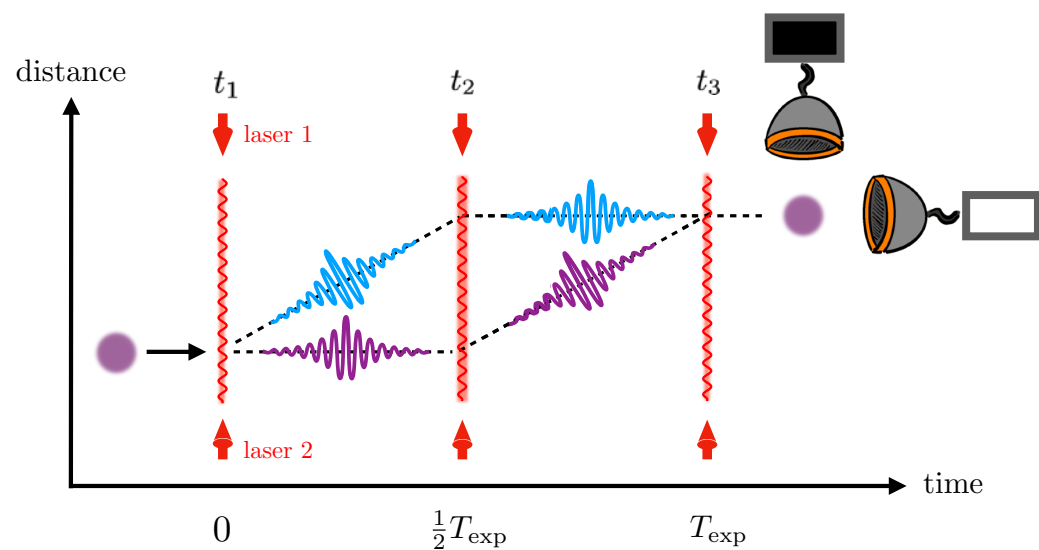
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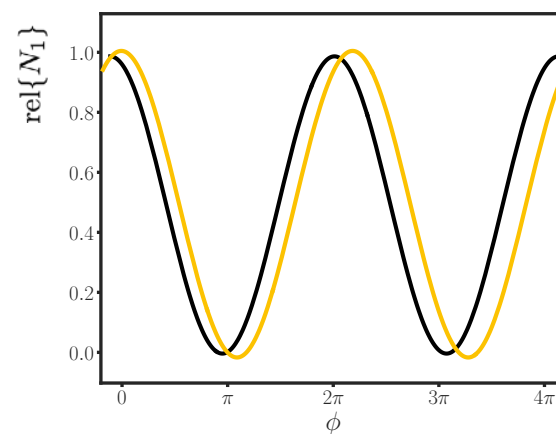
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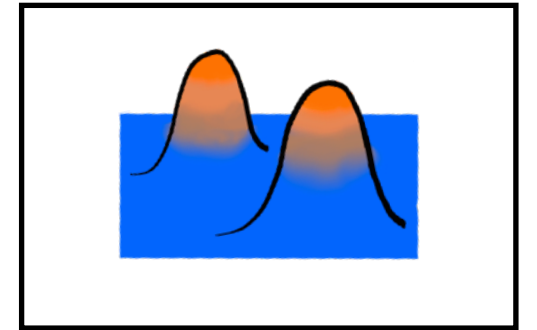
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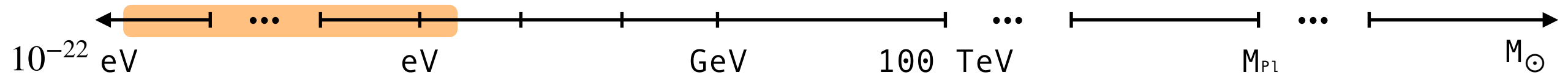
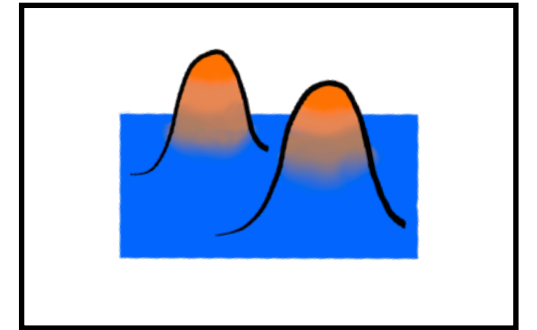


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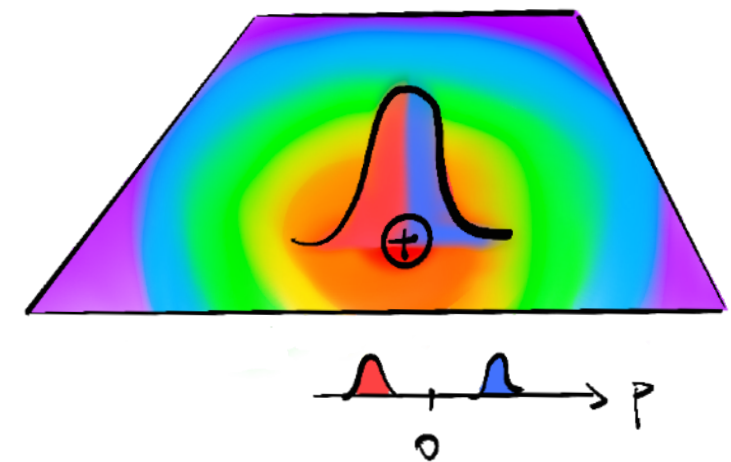
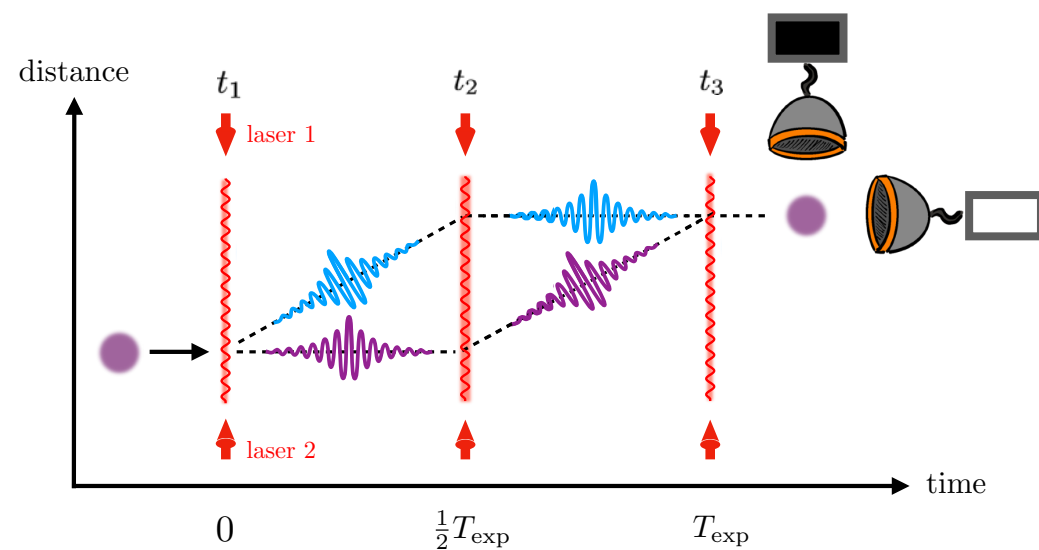
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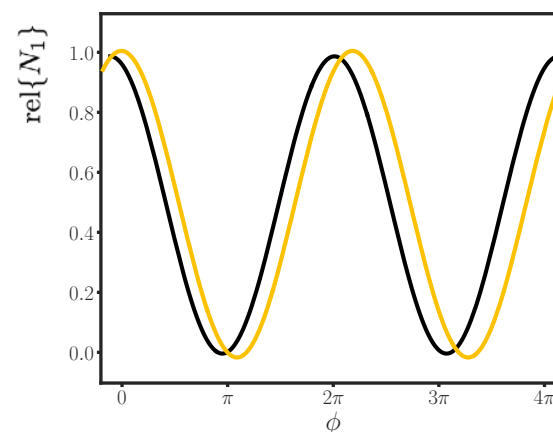


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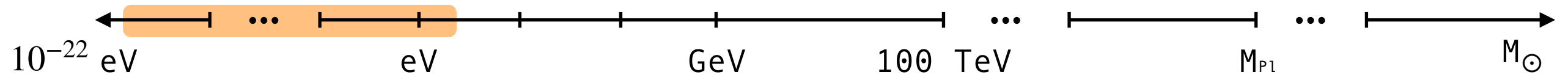
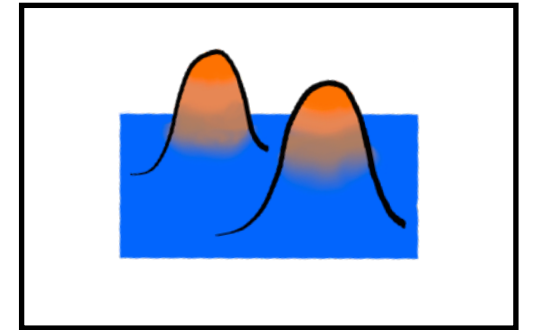


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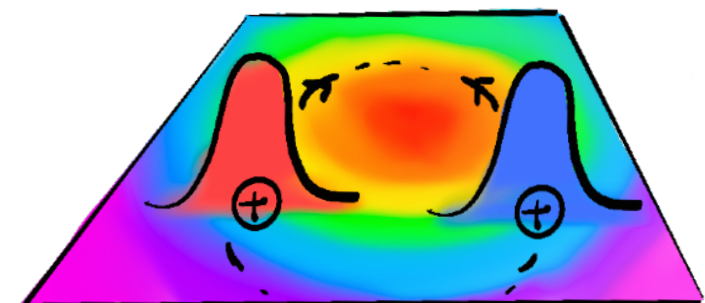
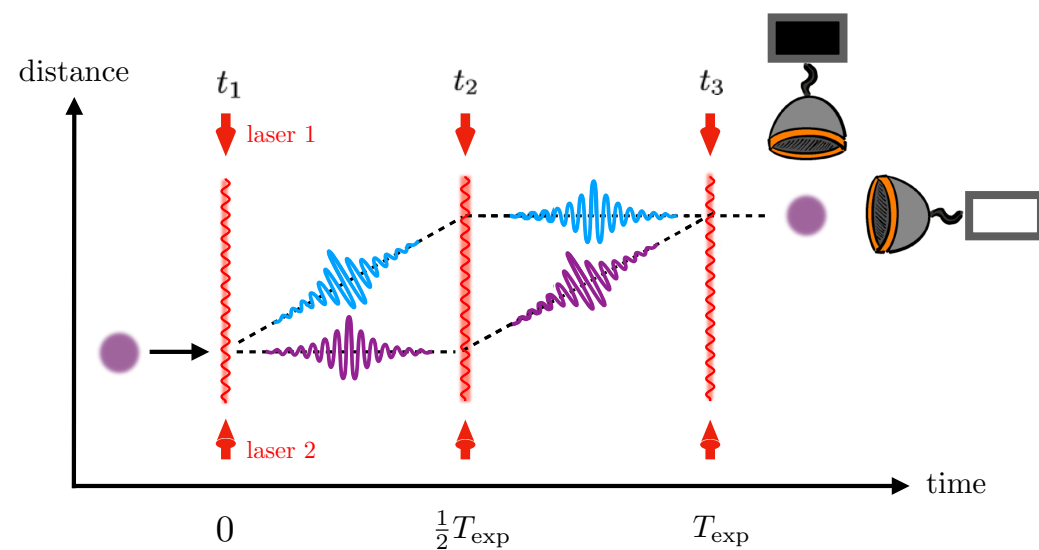
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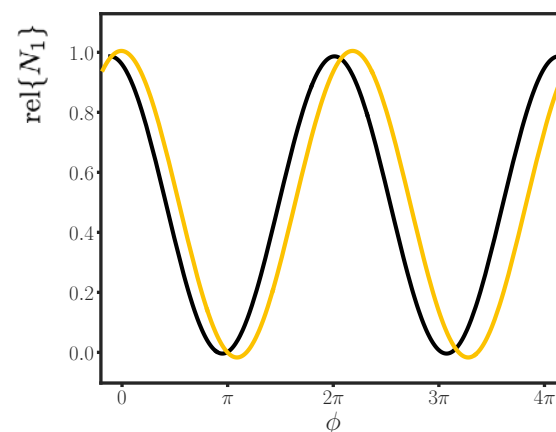


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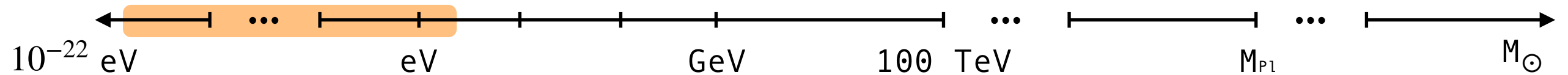
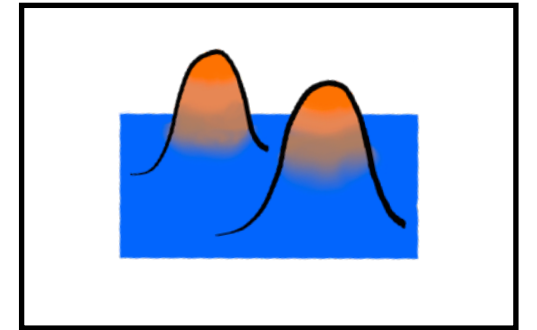


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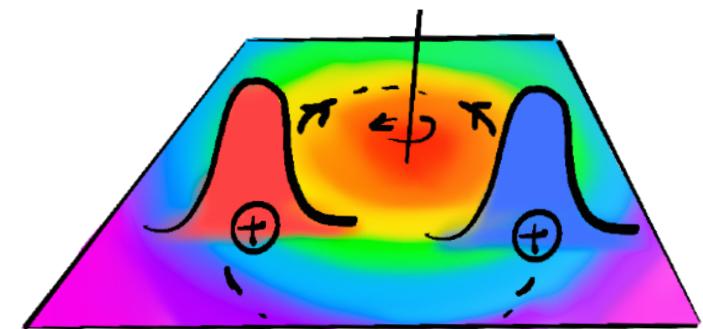
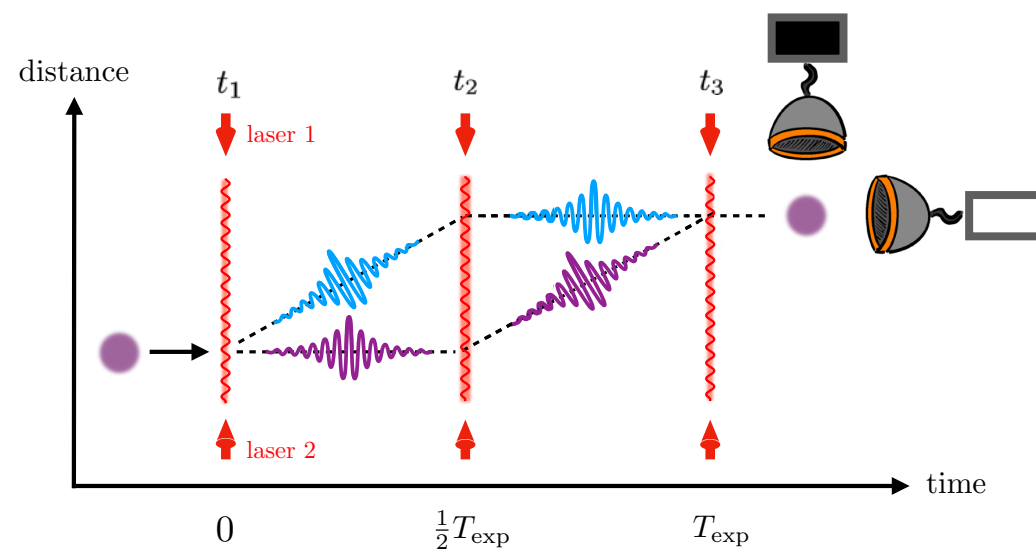
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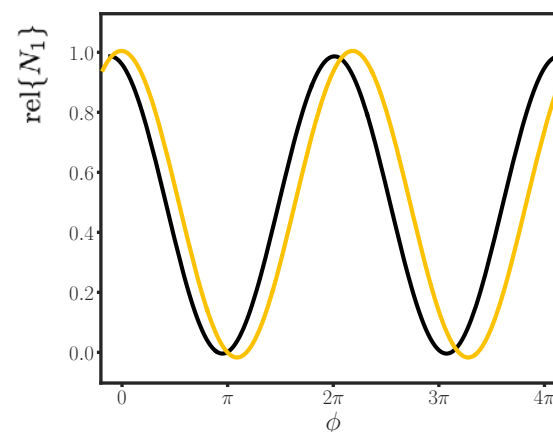


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Sagnac effect

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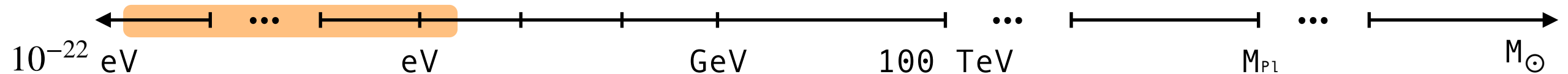
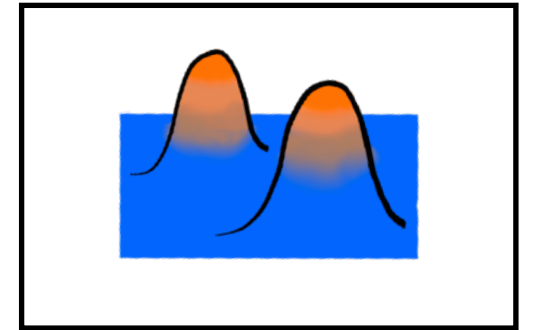
[Feddereke, Graham, Kimball, Kalia, 2021]

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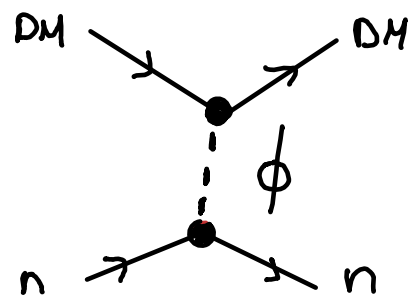
Atom gradiometers can be sensitive to pure gravitational interactions [Badurina et al., '25]



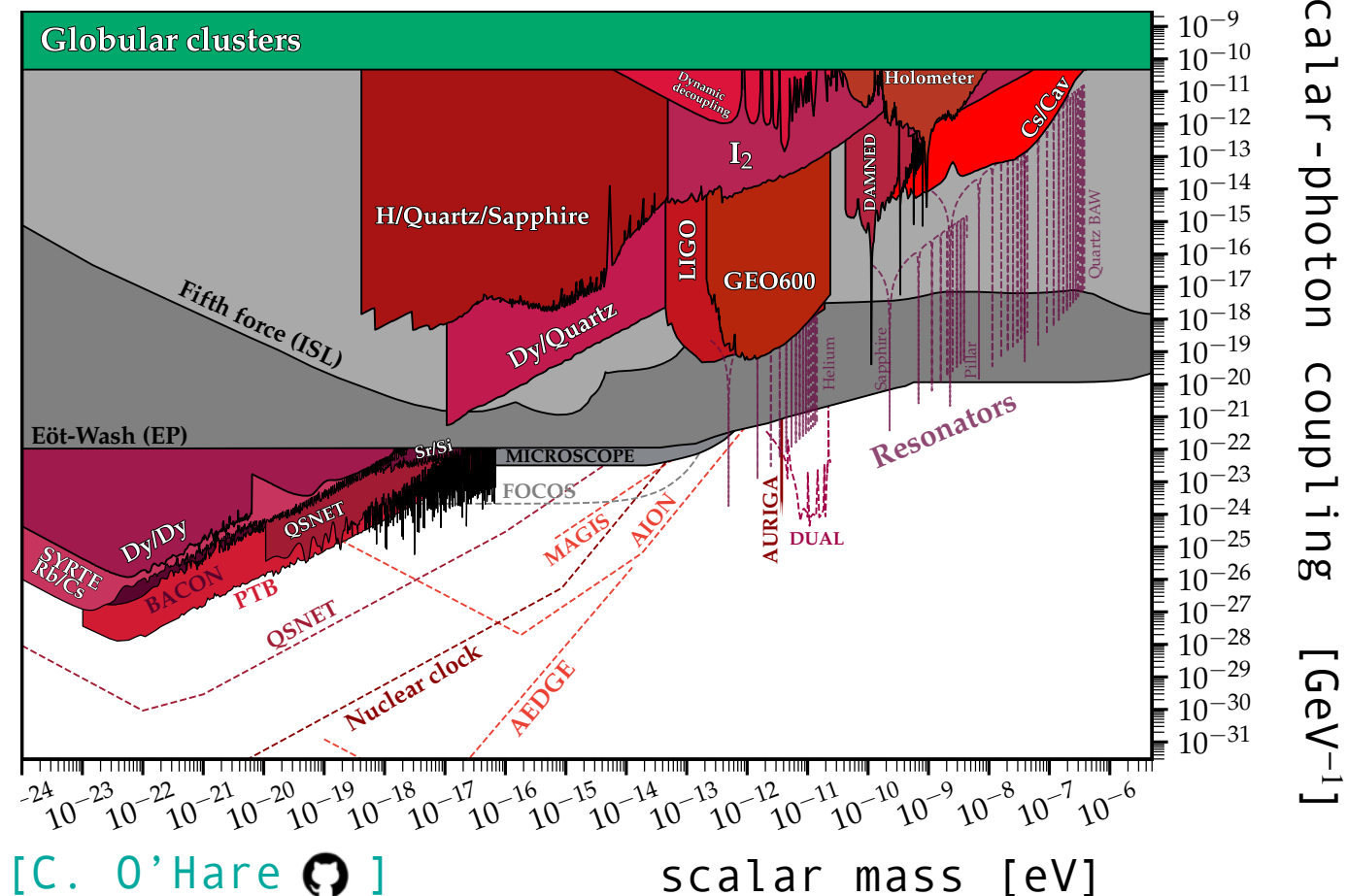
scalar

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5th force searches



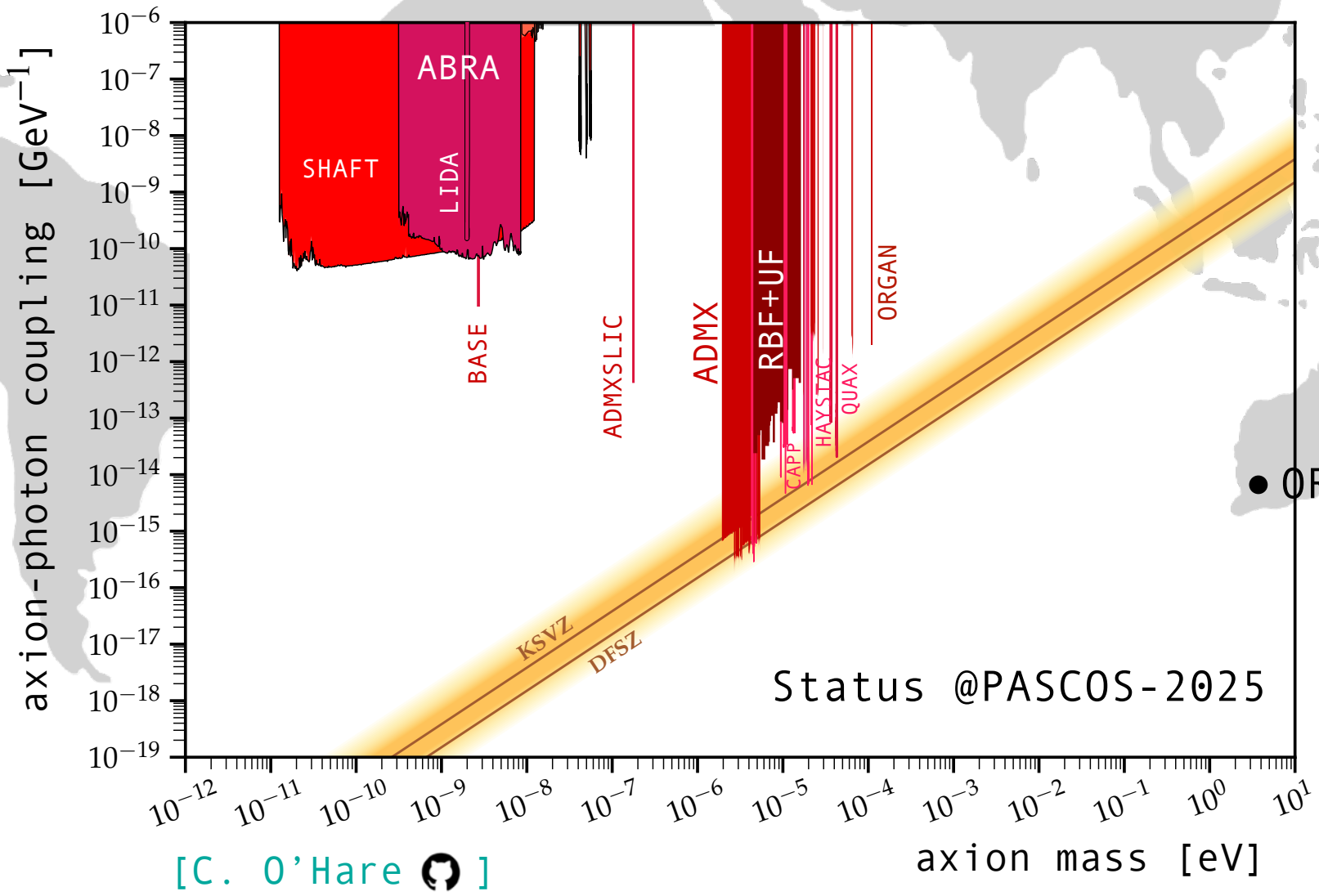
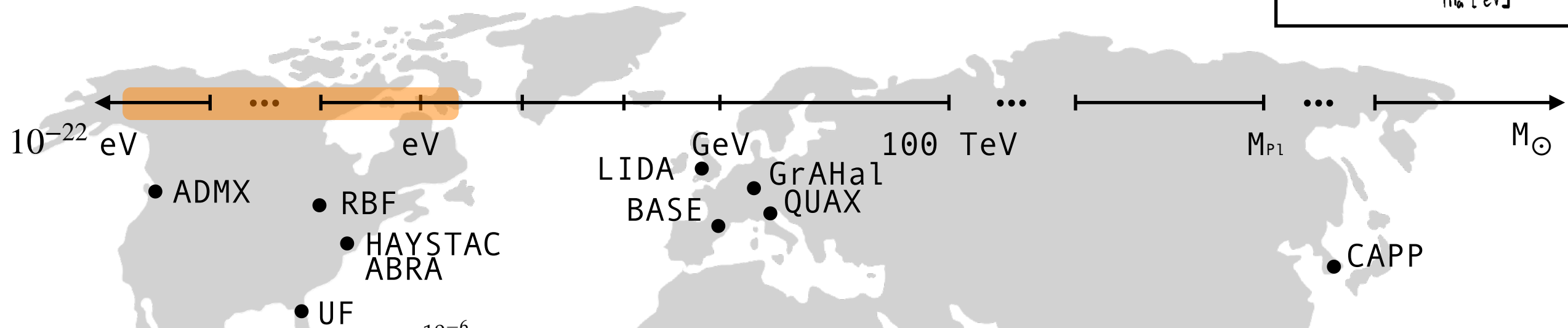
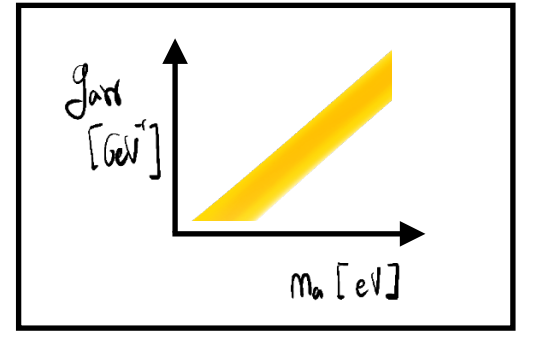
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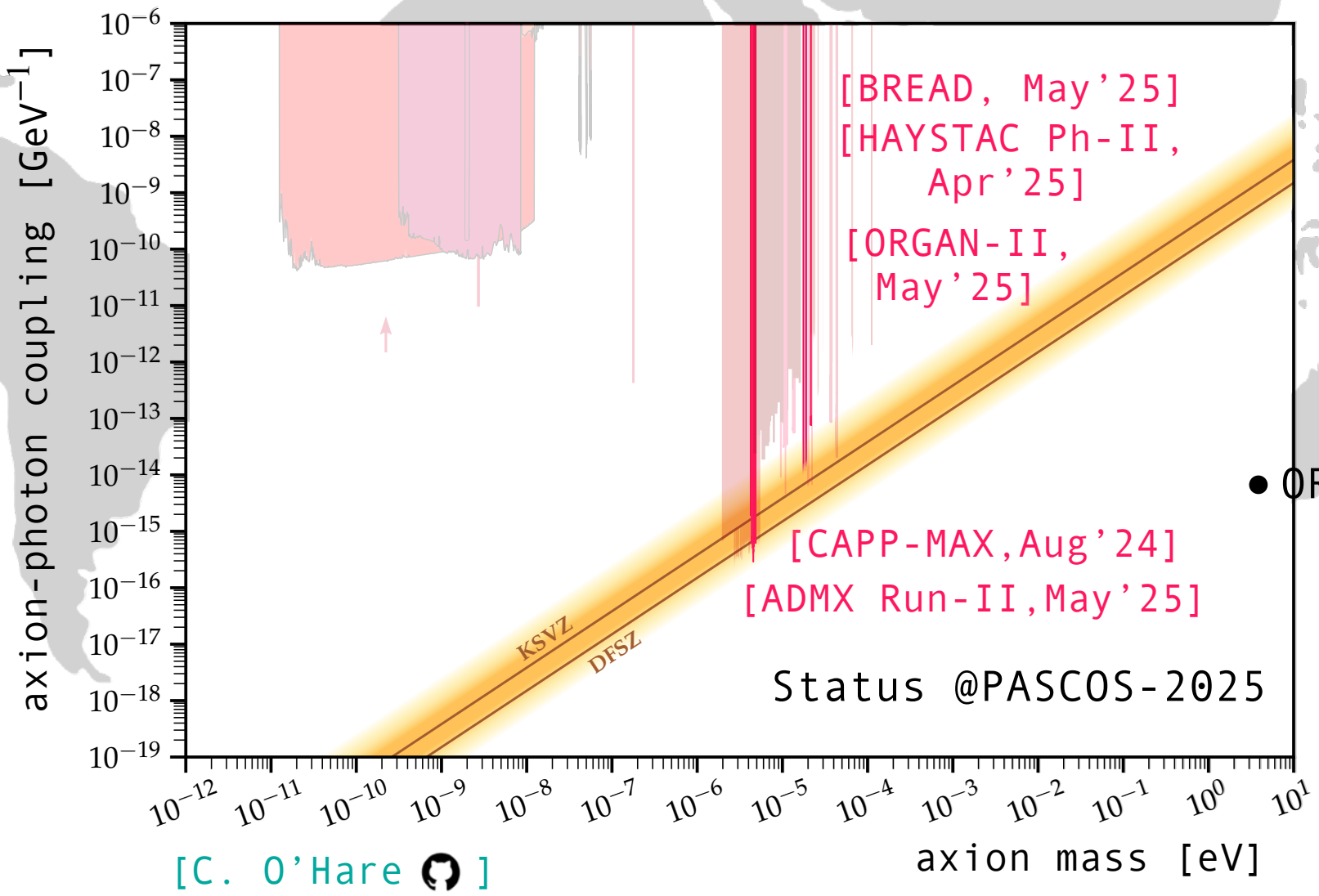
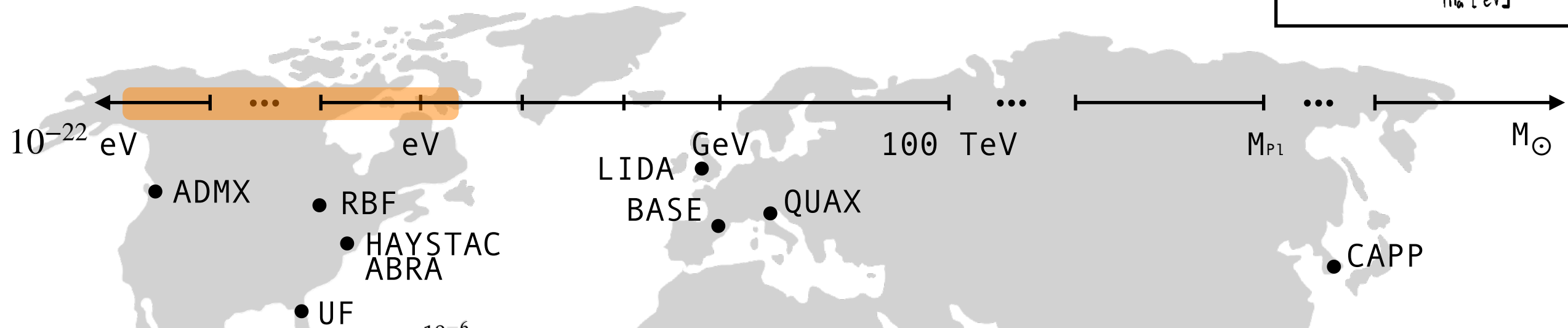
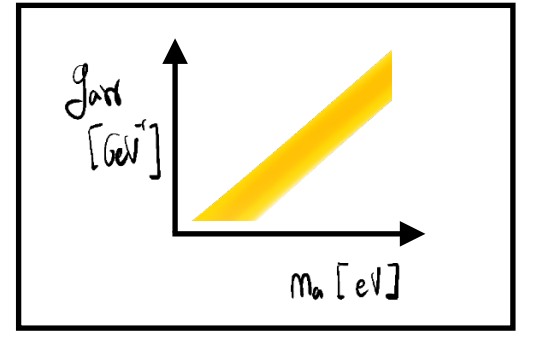


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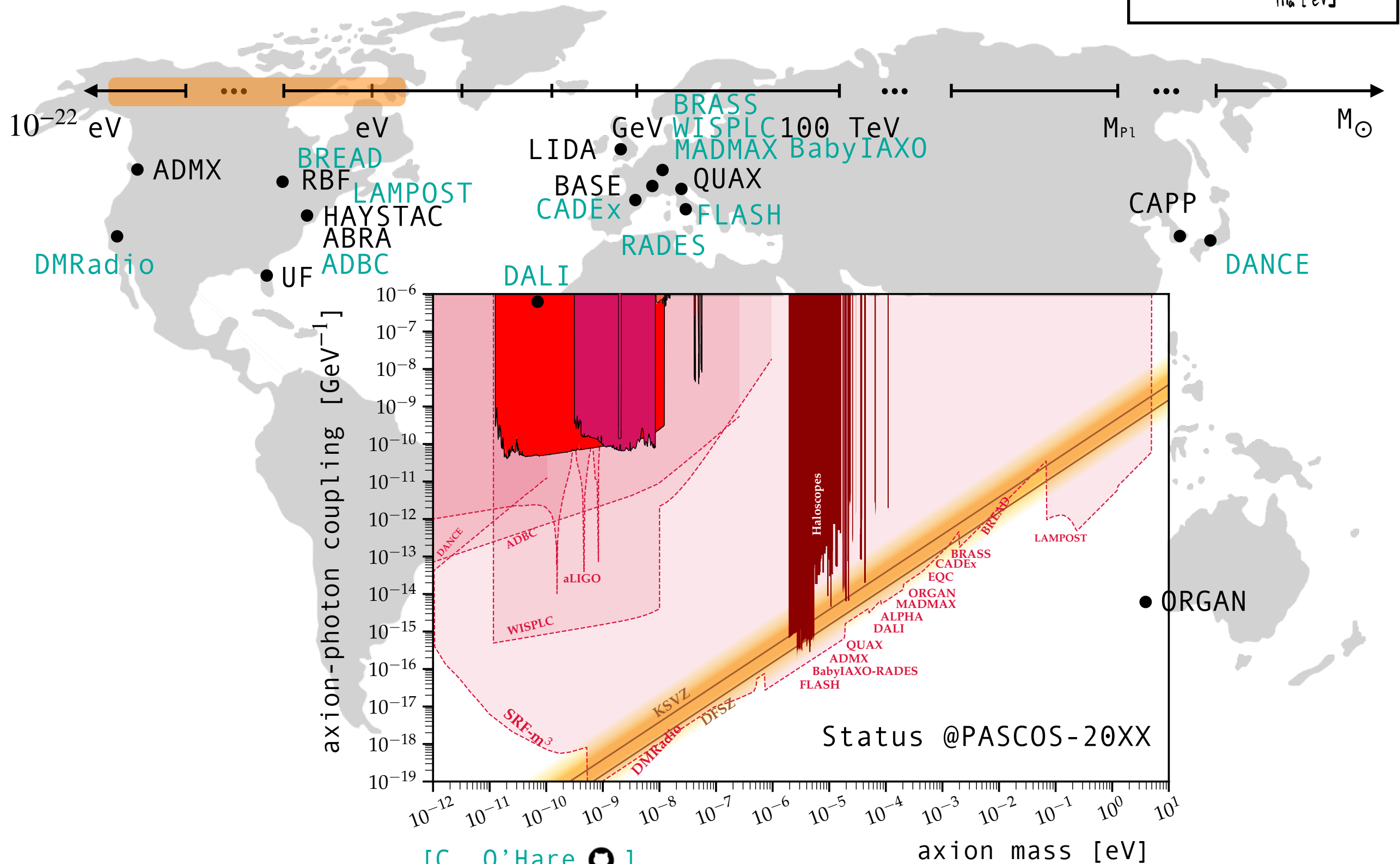
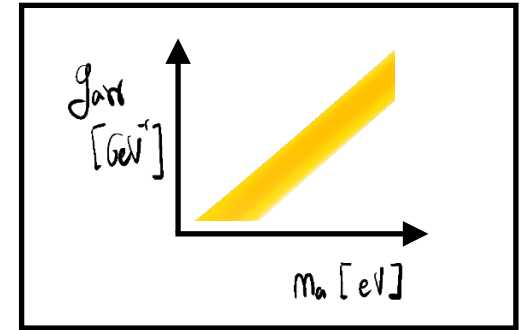


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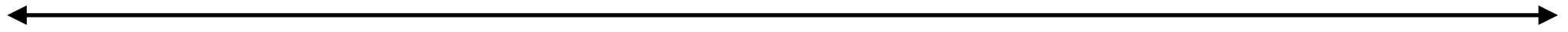
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Conclusions



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DIALOG between communities
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Dark matter searches can be
parasitic to other existing
experimental searches.

Stay tuned!

