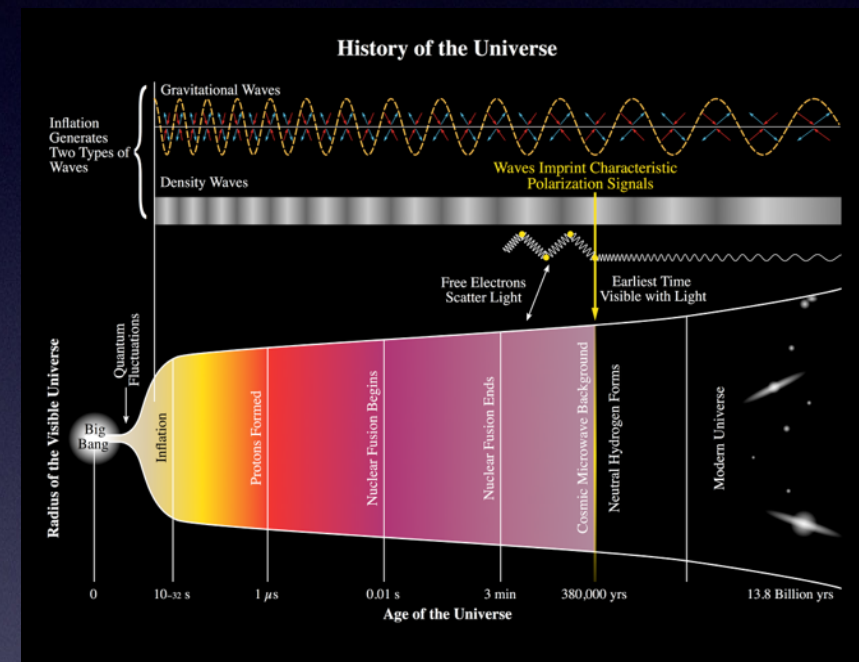


# Histories of dark matter

## Part II : The primordial Universe

Book, chapter 2



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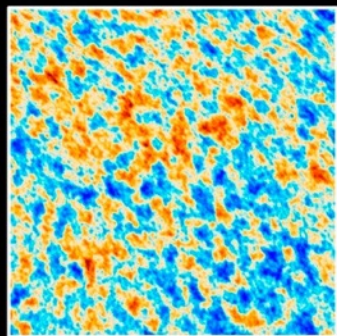
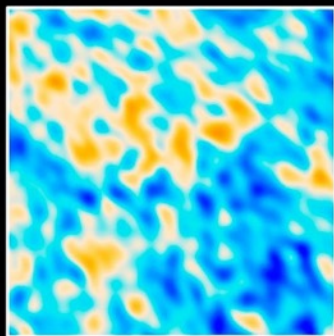
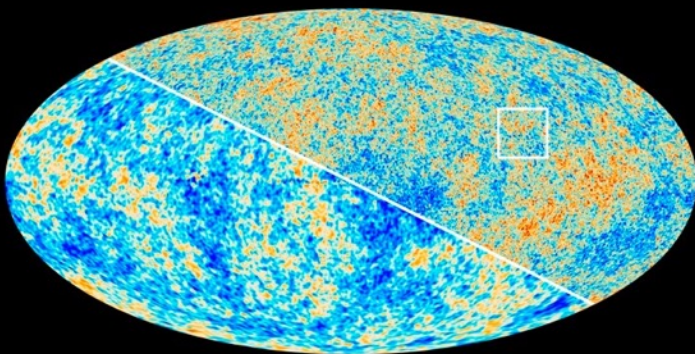


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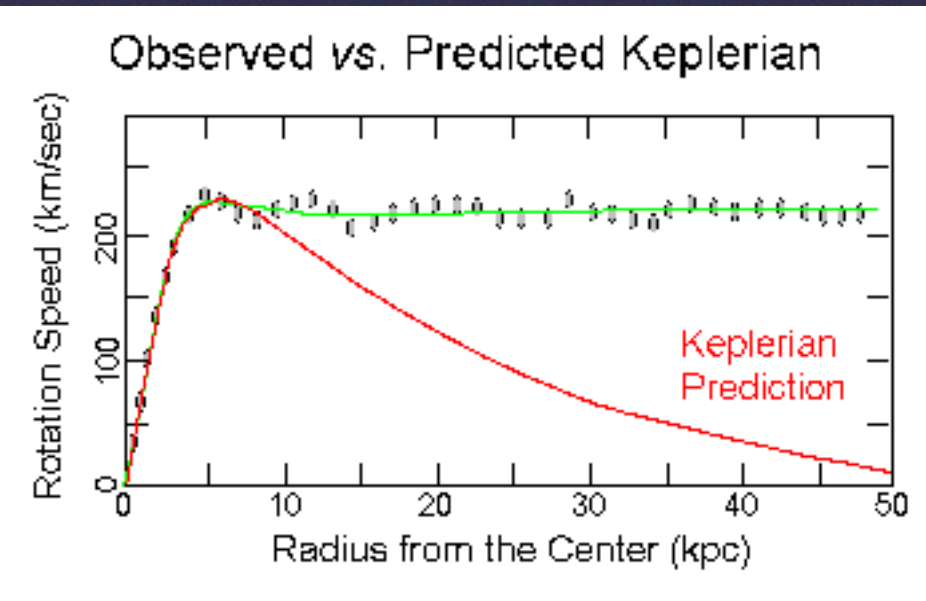
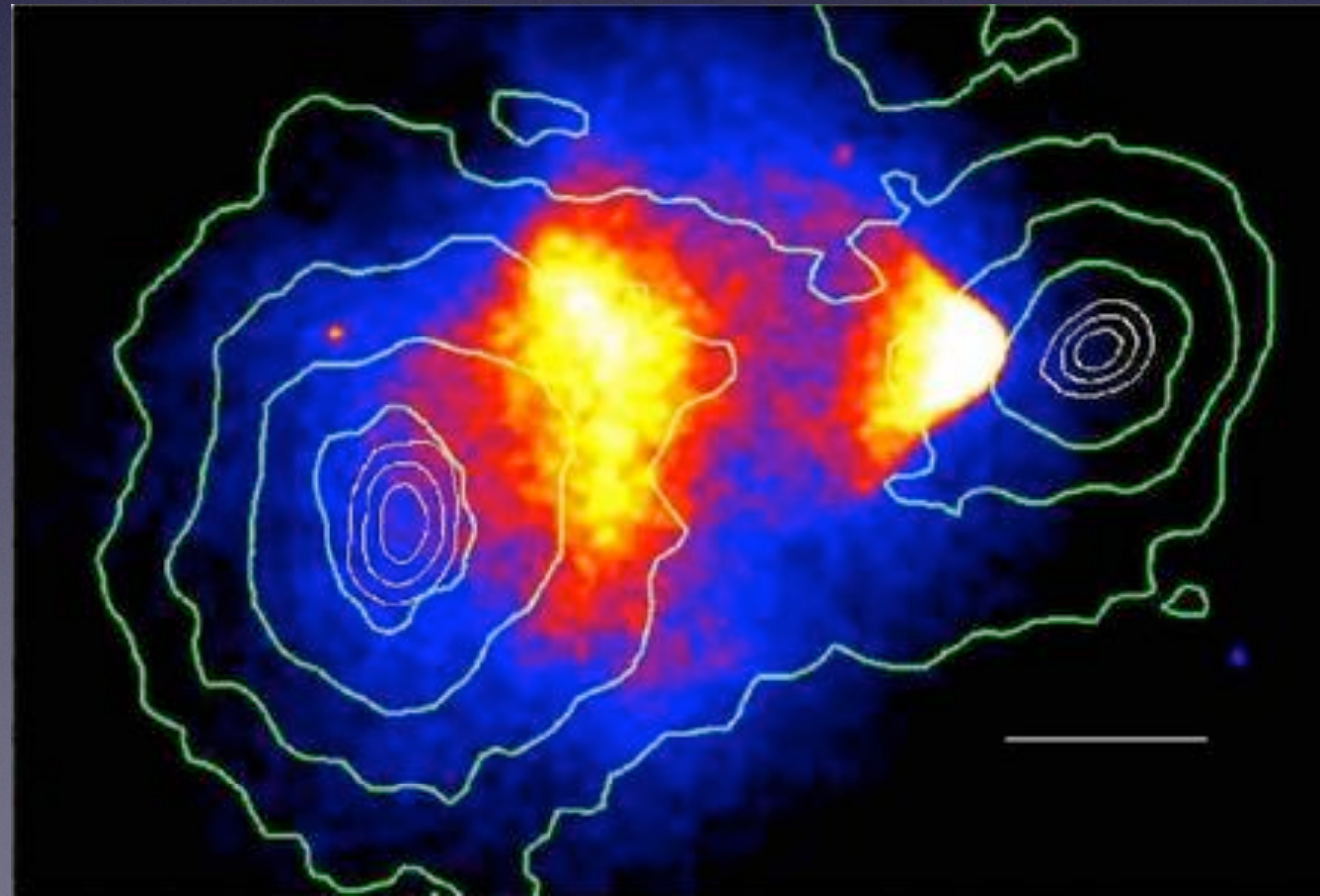
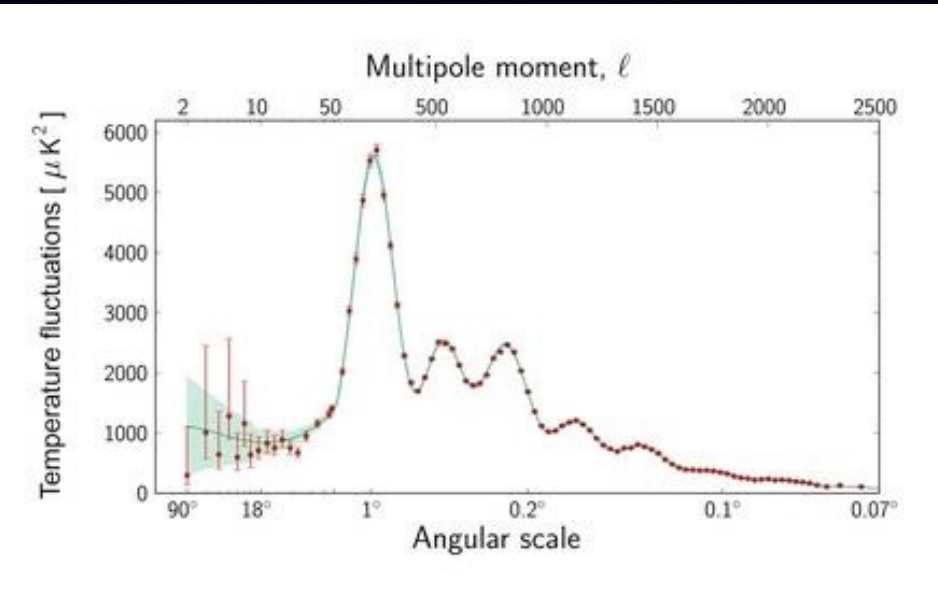
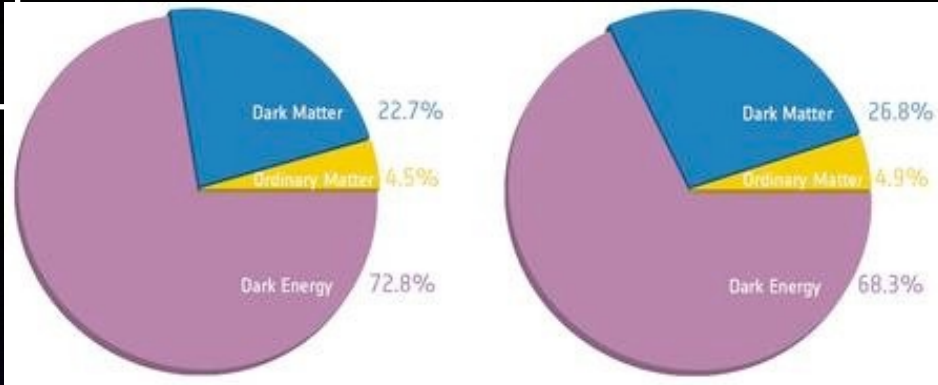
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The Cosmic Microwave Background as seen by Planck and WMAP



WMAP

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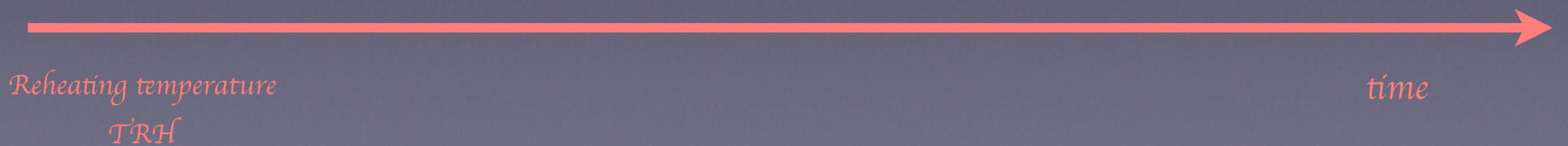


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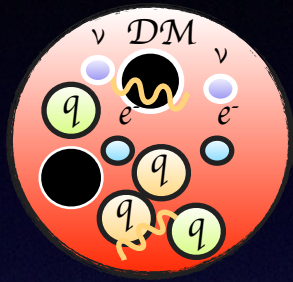


# A little thermal history of the Universe





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$$f \sim \frac{e^{-\frac{E}{T}}}{1 \pm e^{-\frac{E}{T}}}$$

Equilibrium:  
Thermal bath

$10^8 \text{ GeV}$

$10^{-22} \text{ second}$

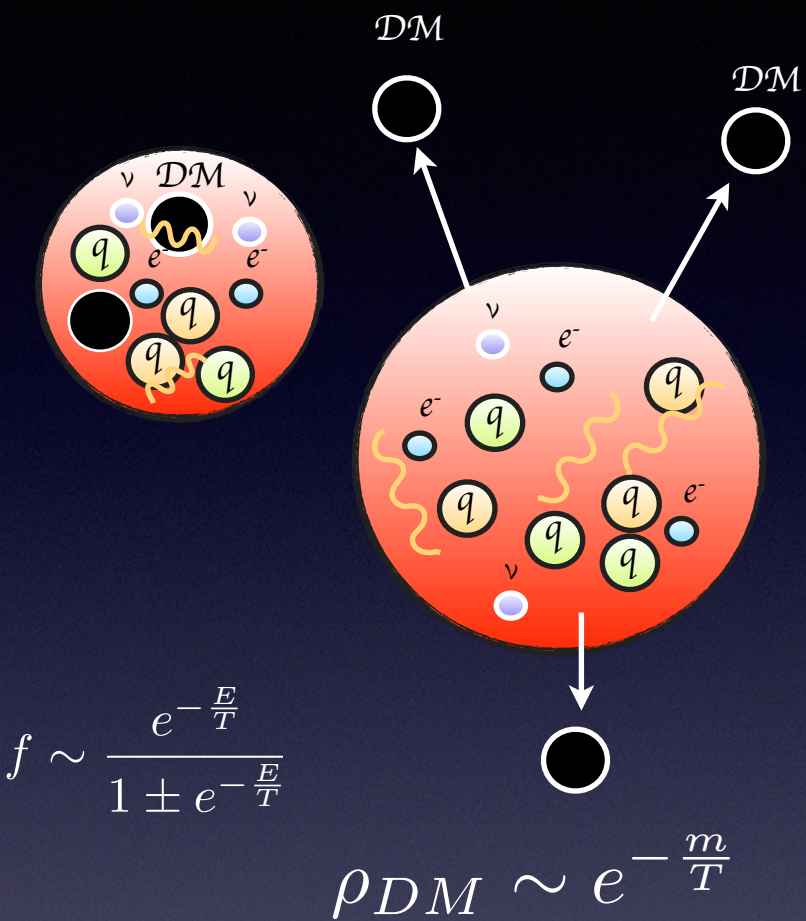
Reheating temperature

$T_{RH}$

time



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Equilibrium:  
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Dark Matter  
decoupling

$10^8 \text{ GeV}$

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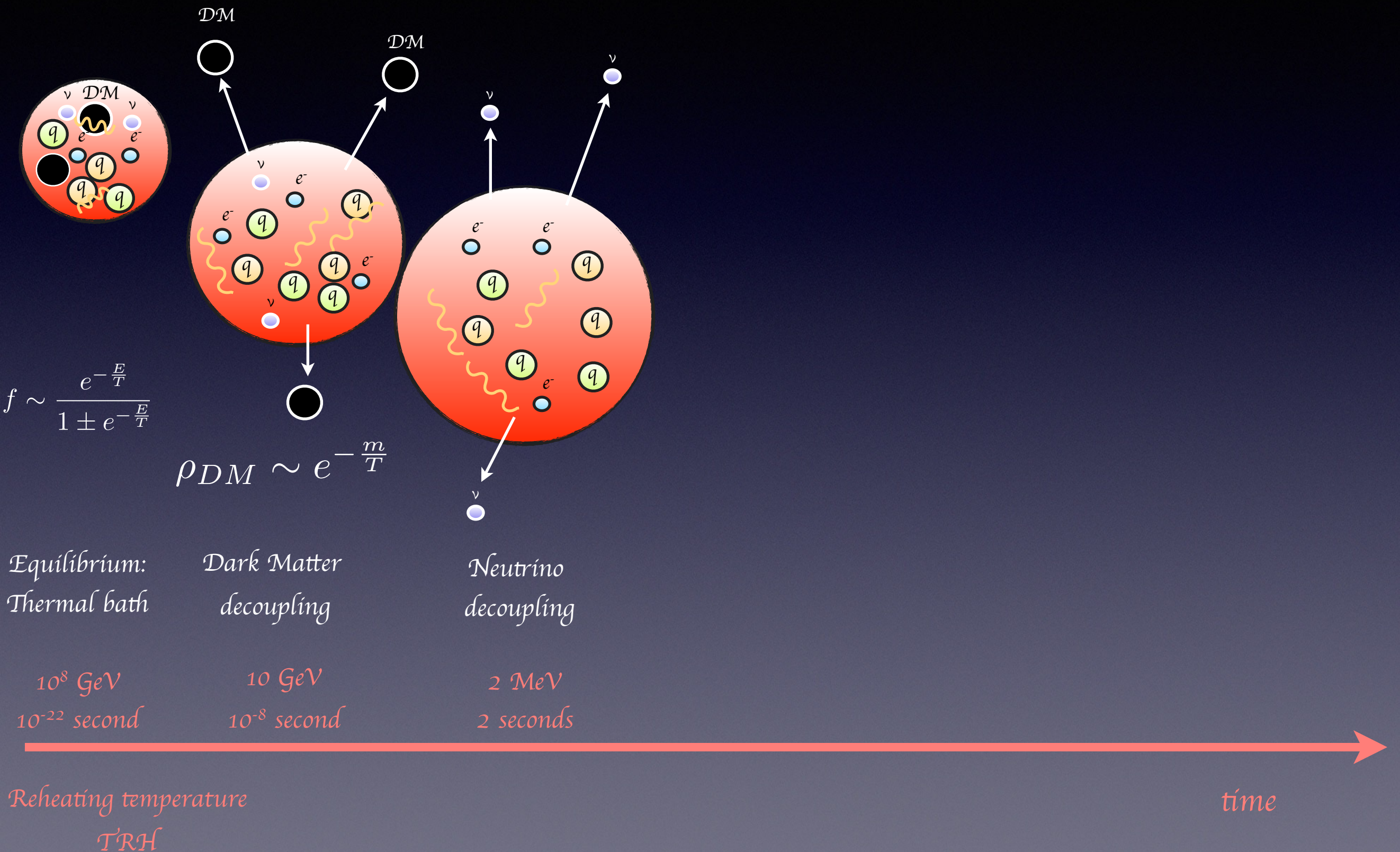
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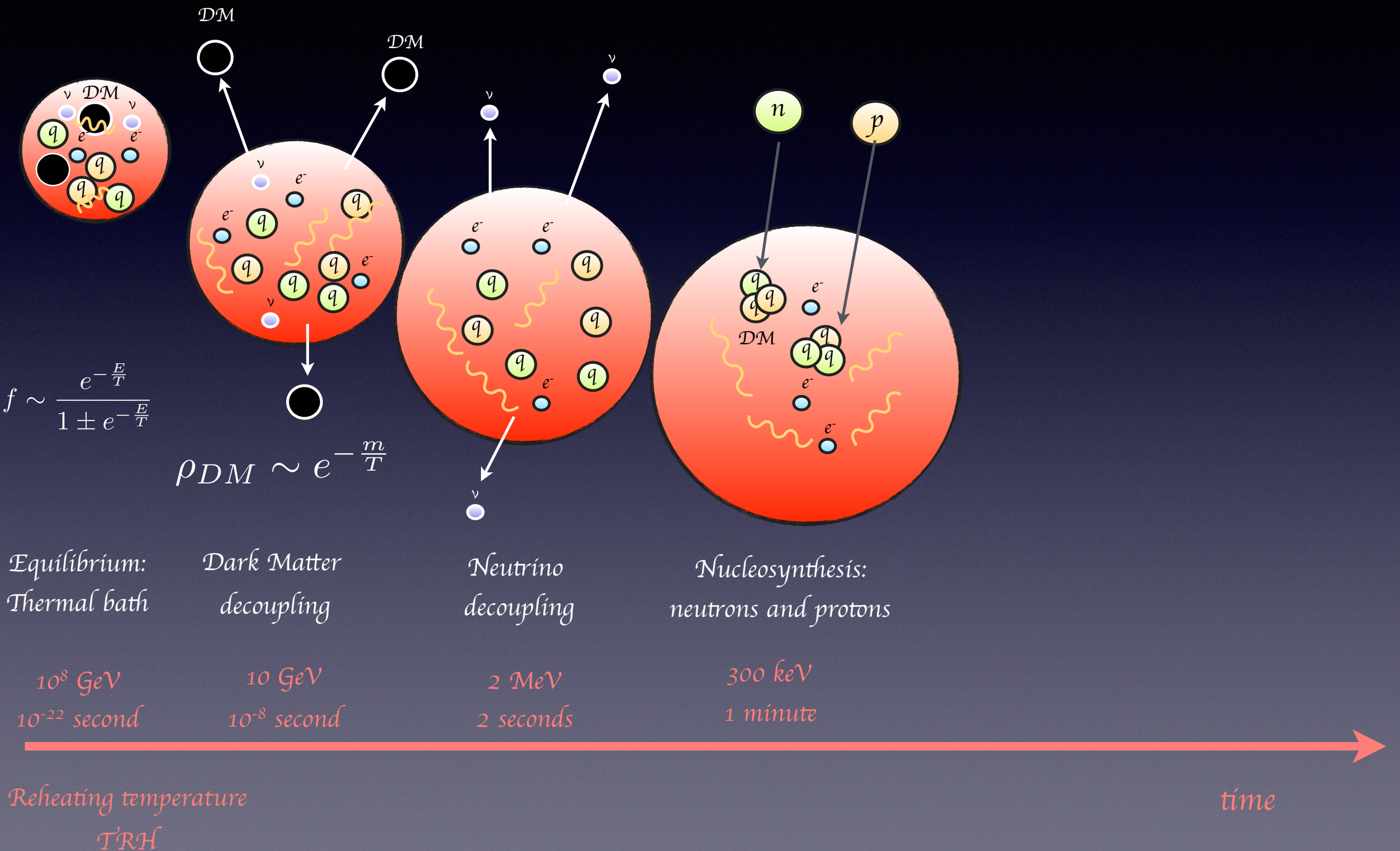


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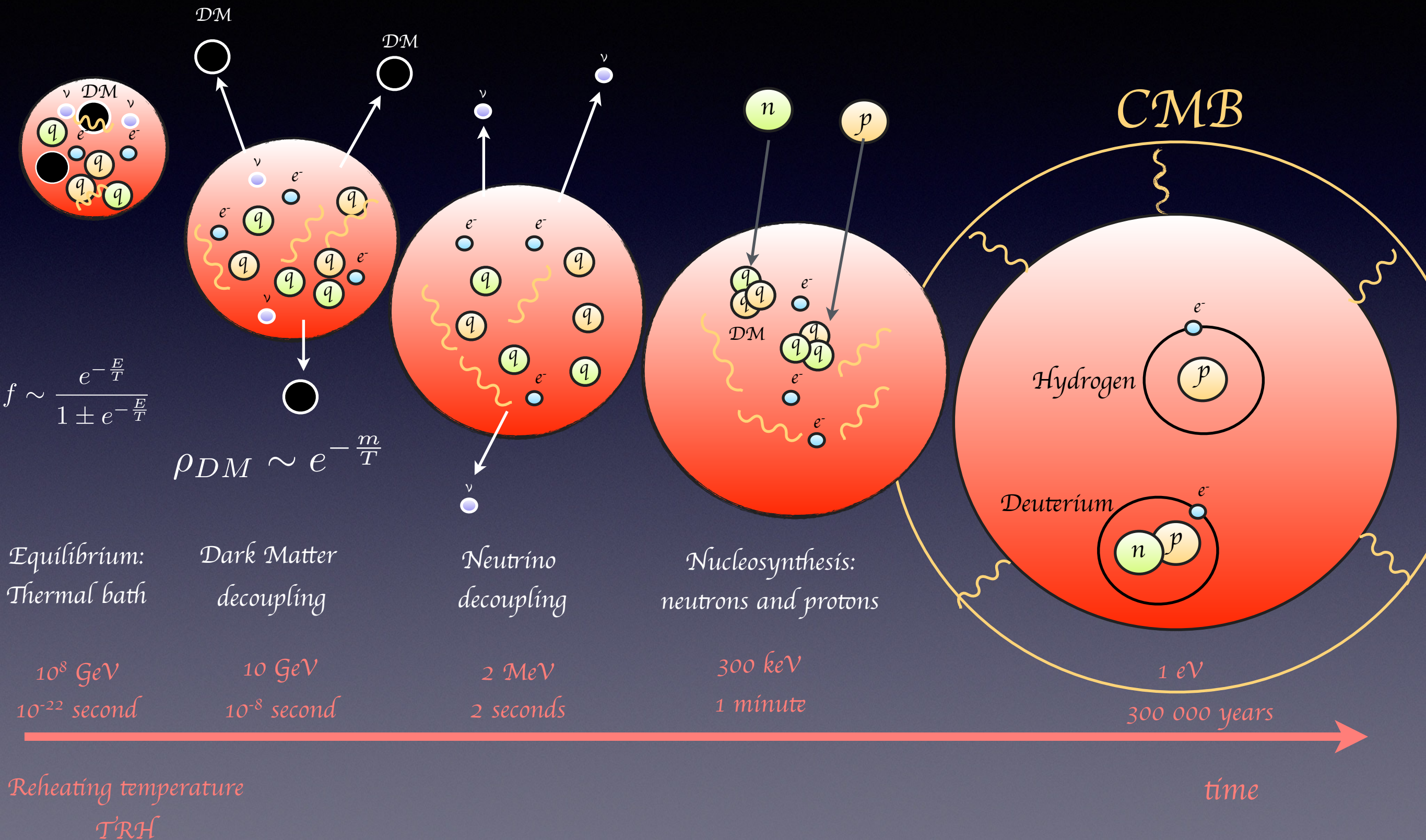


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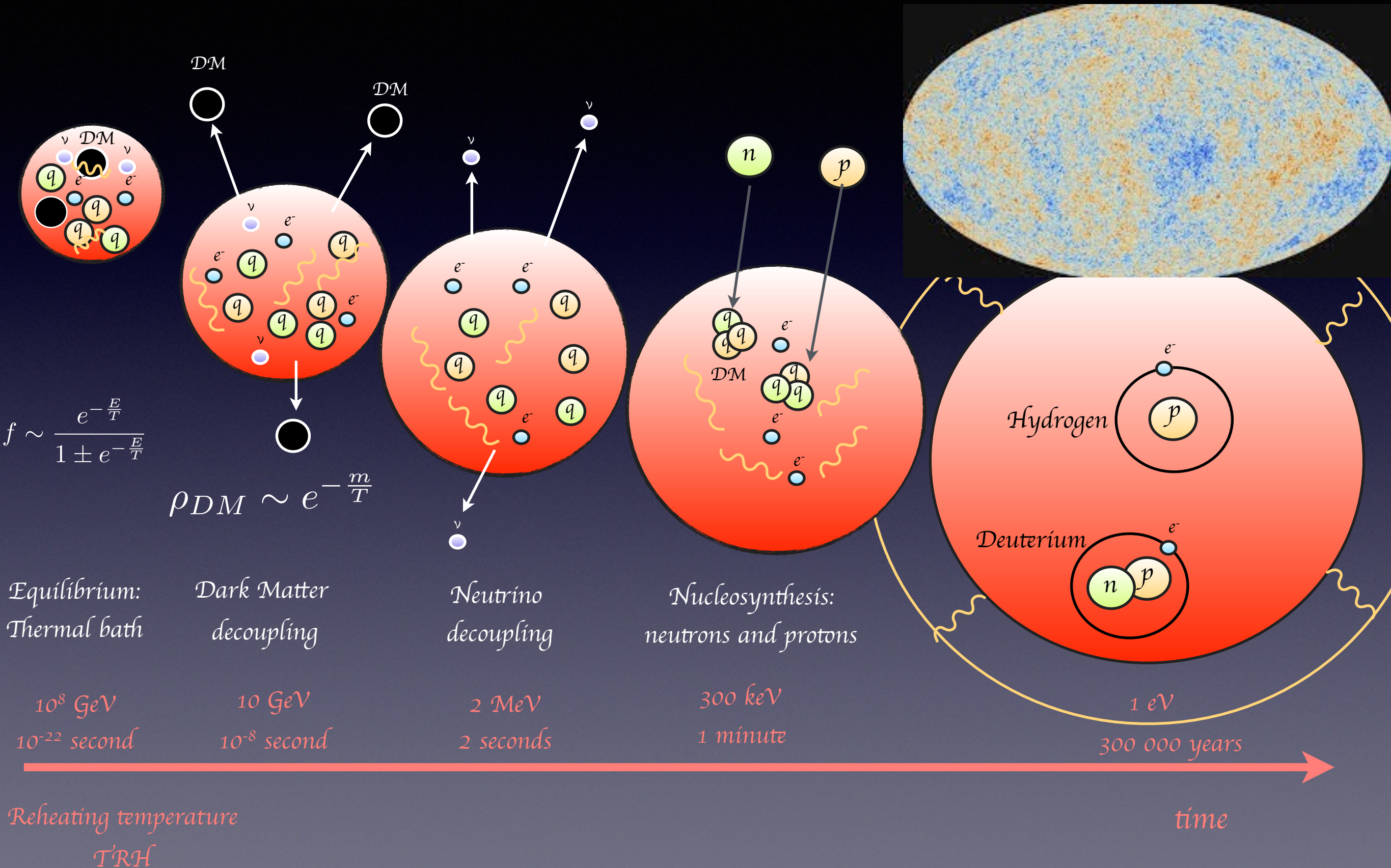


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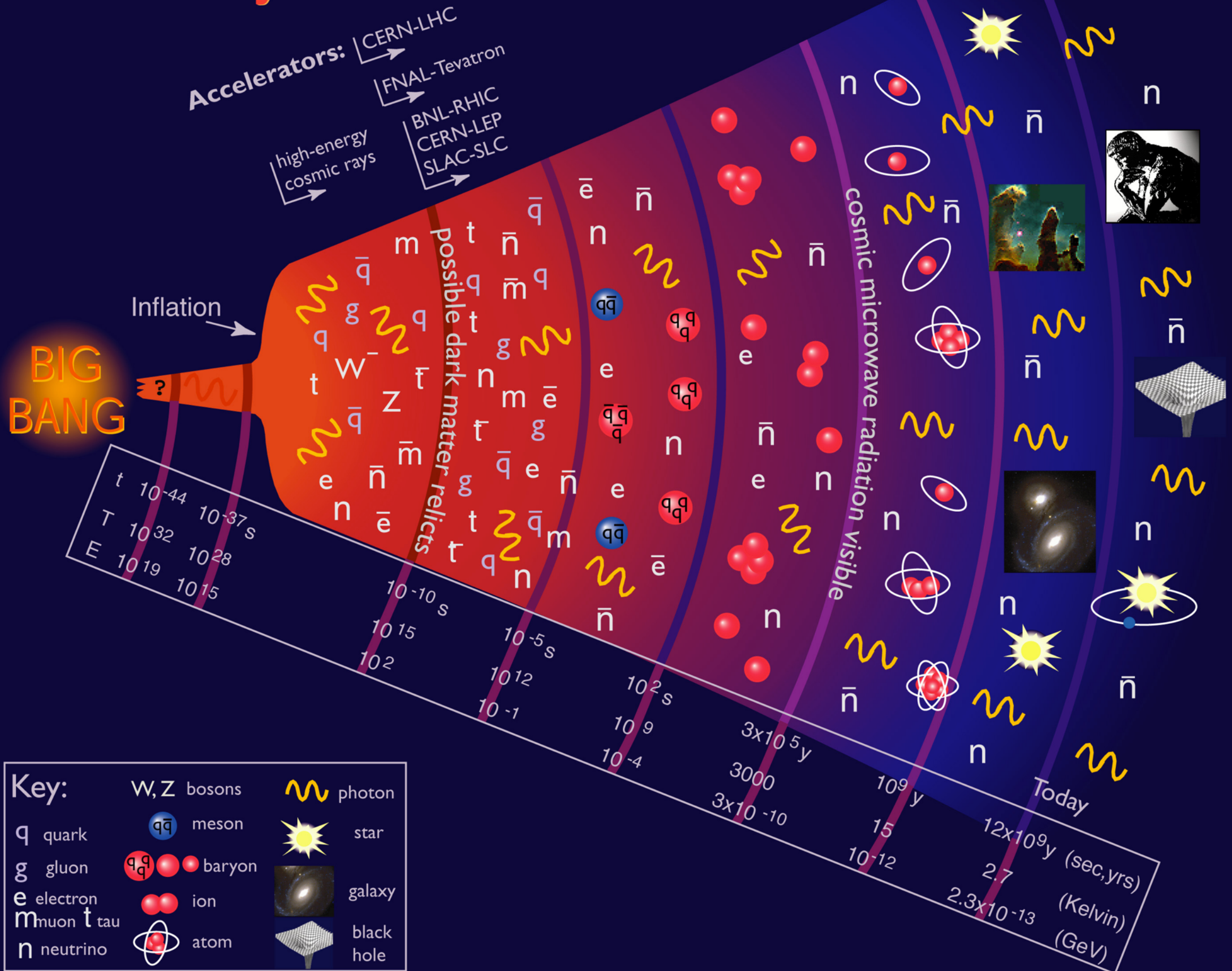




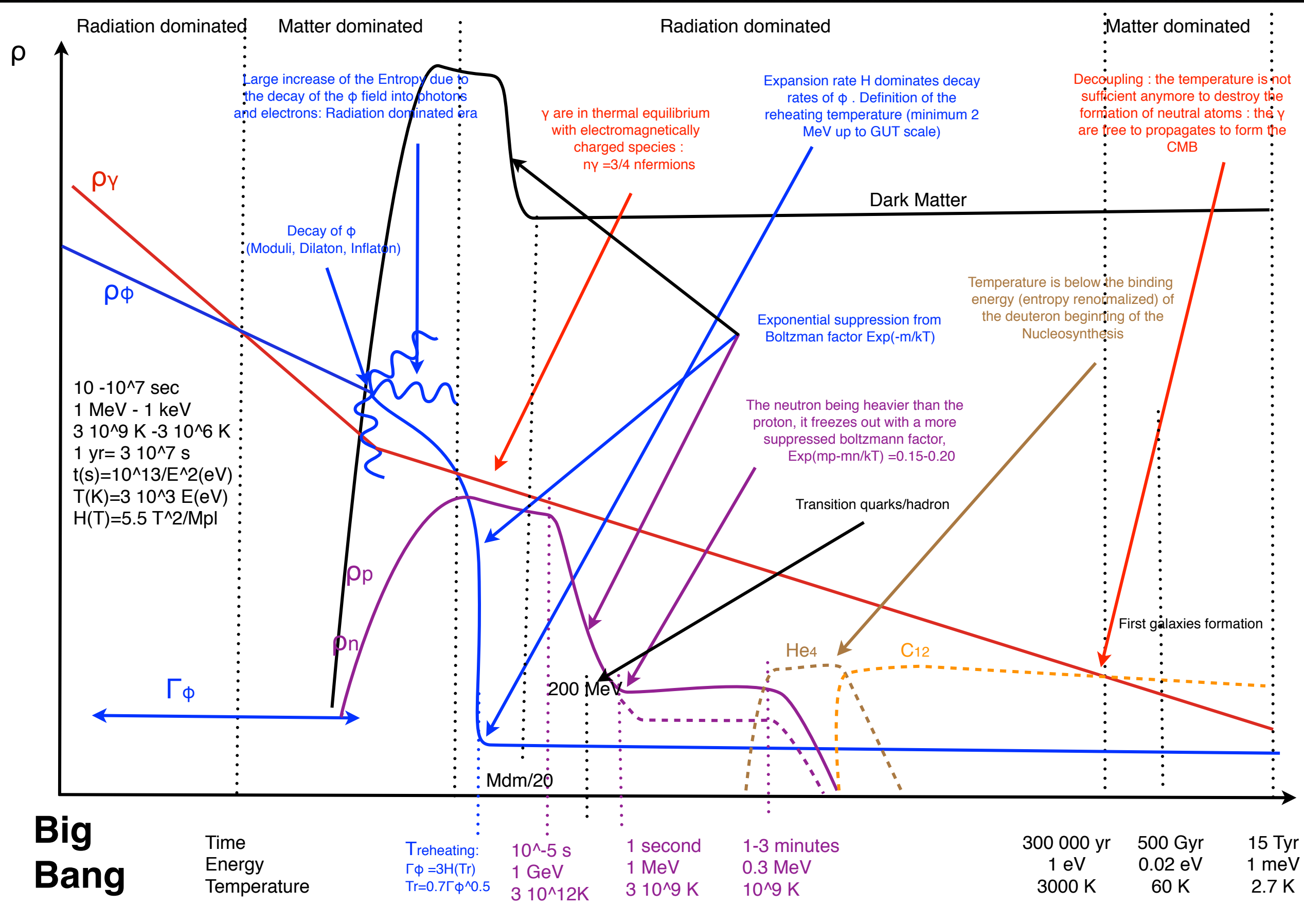




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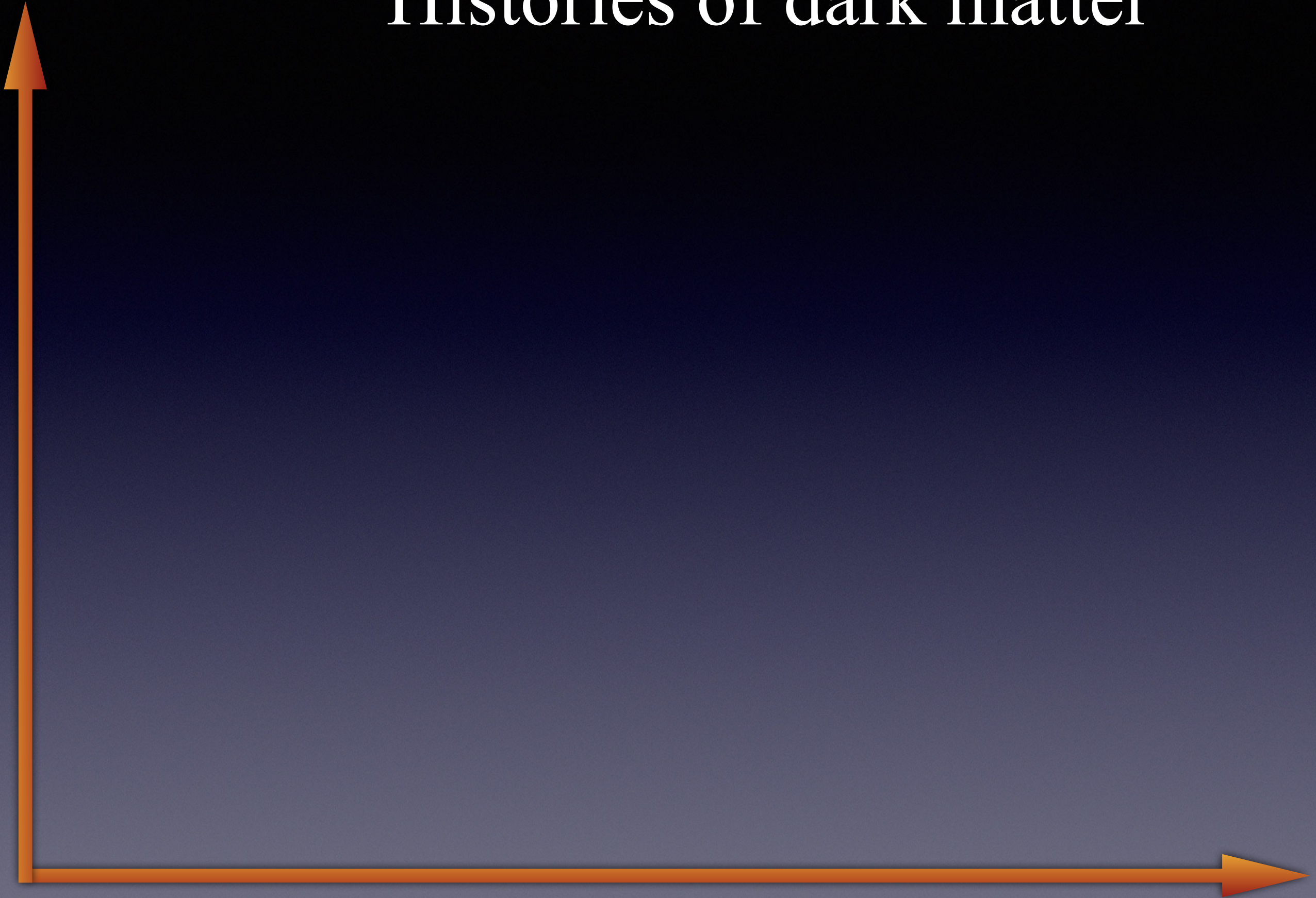




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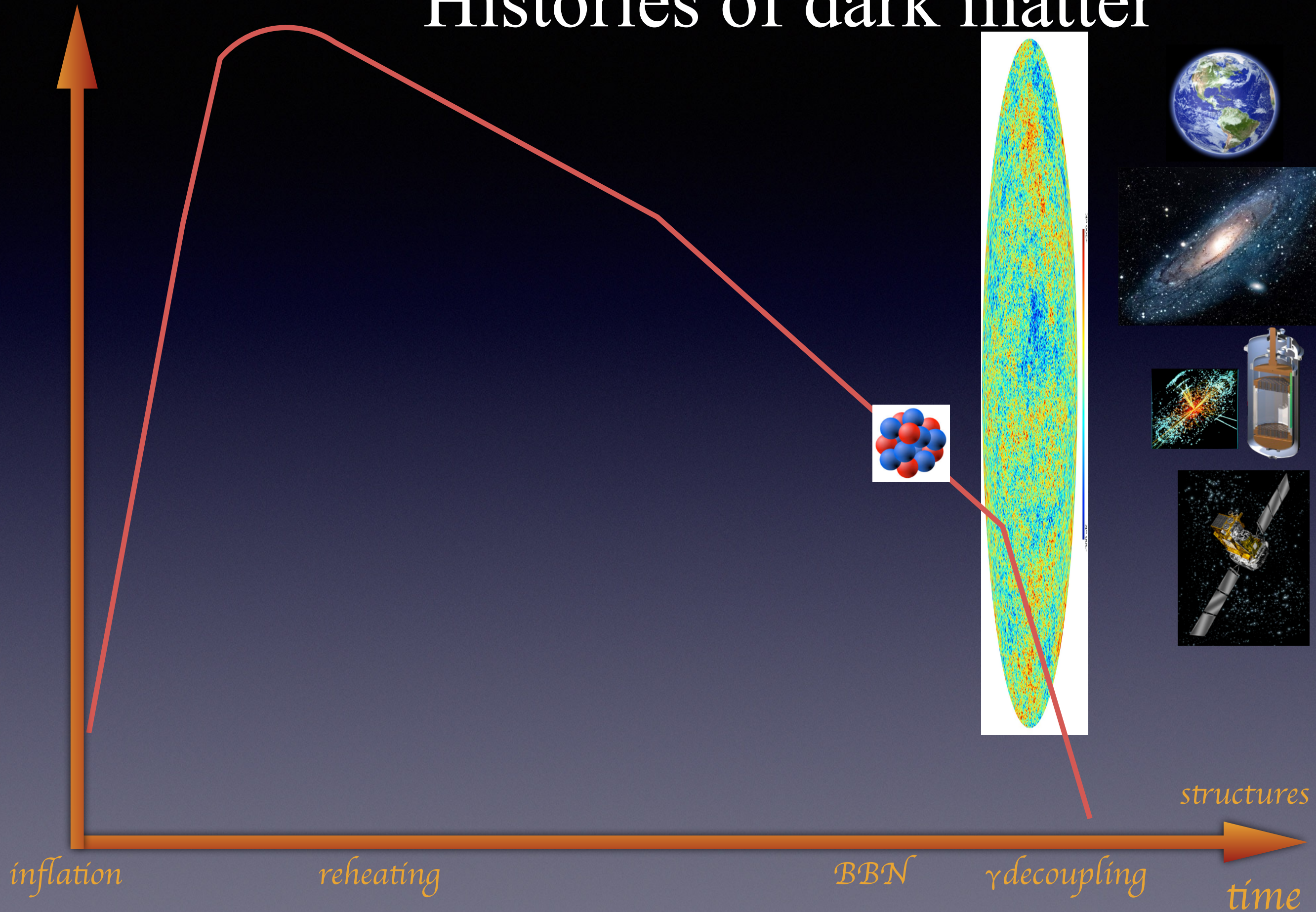
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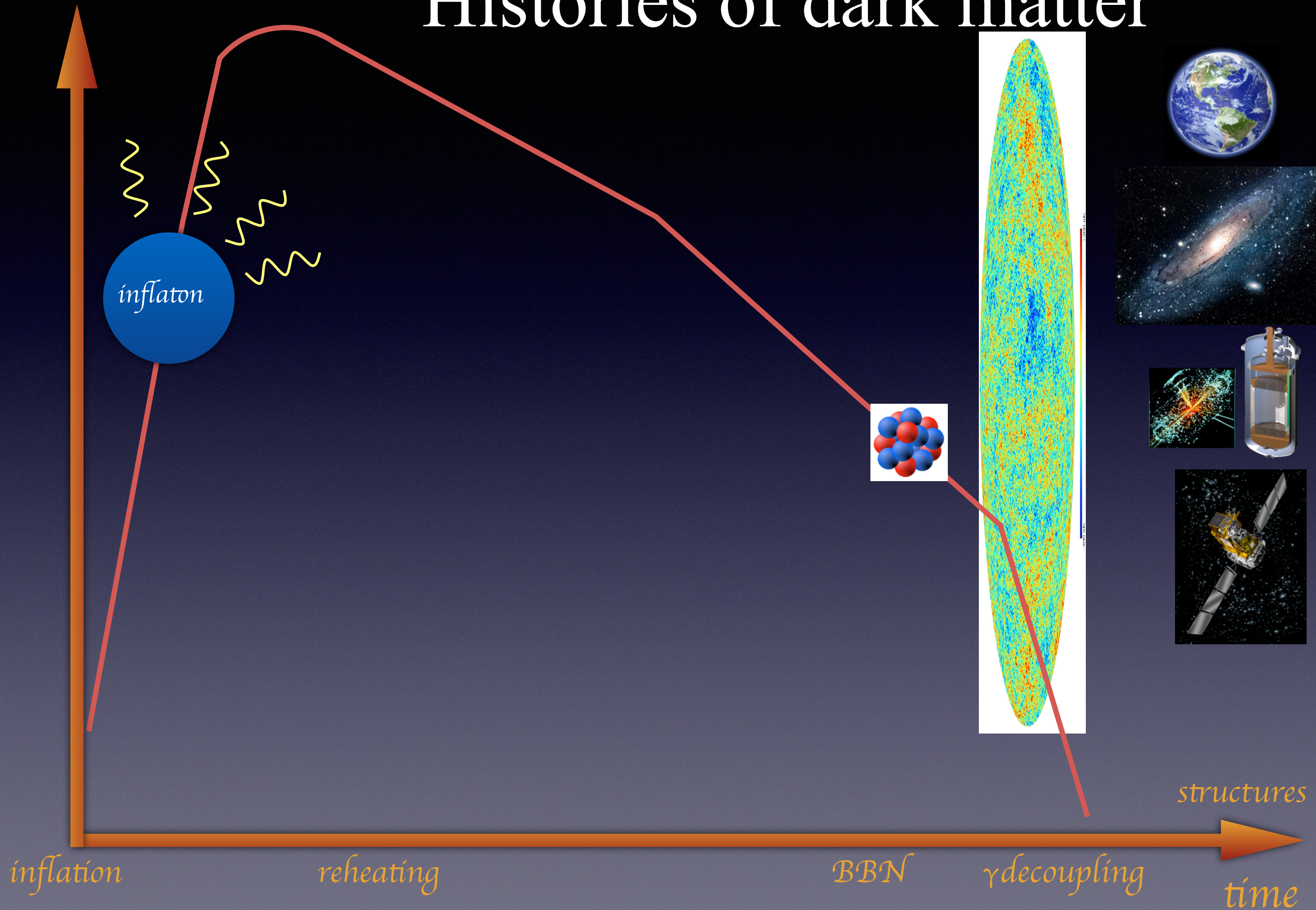
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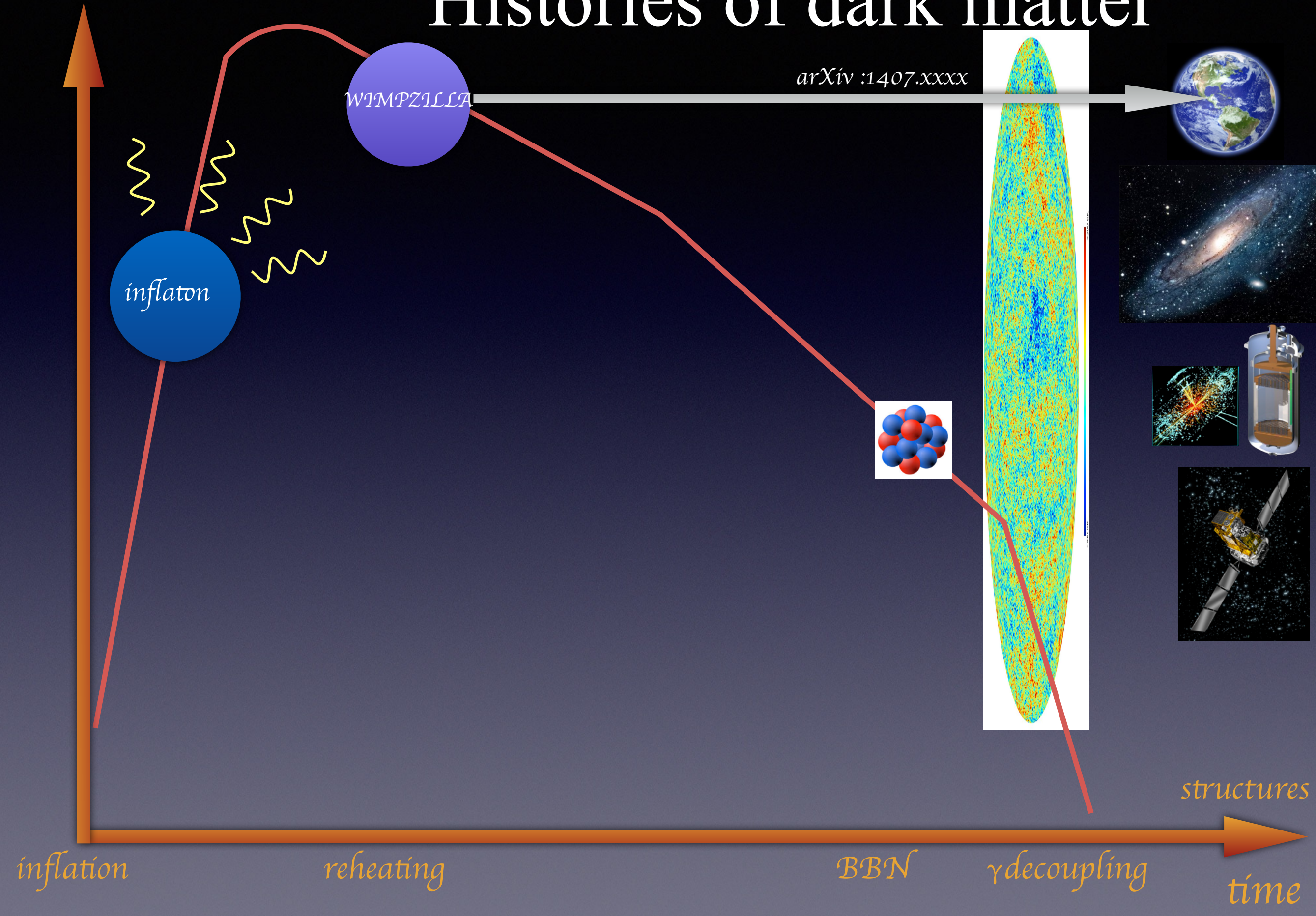
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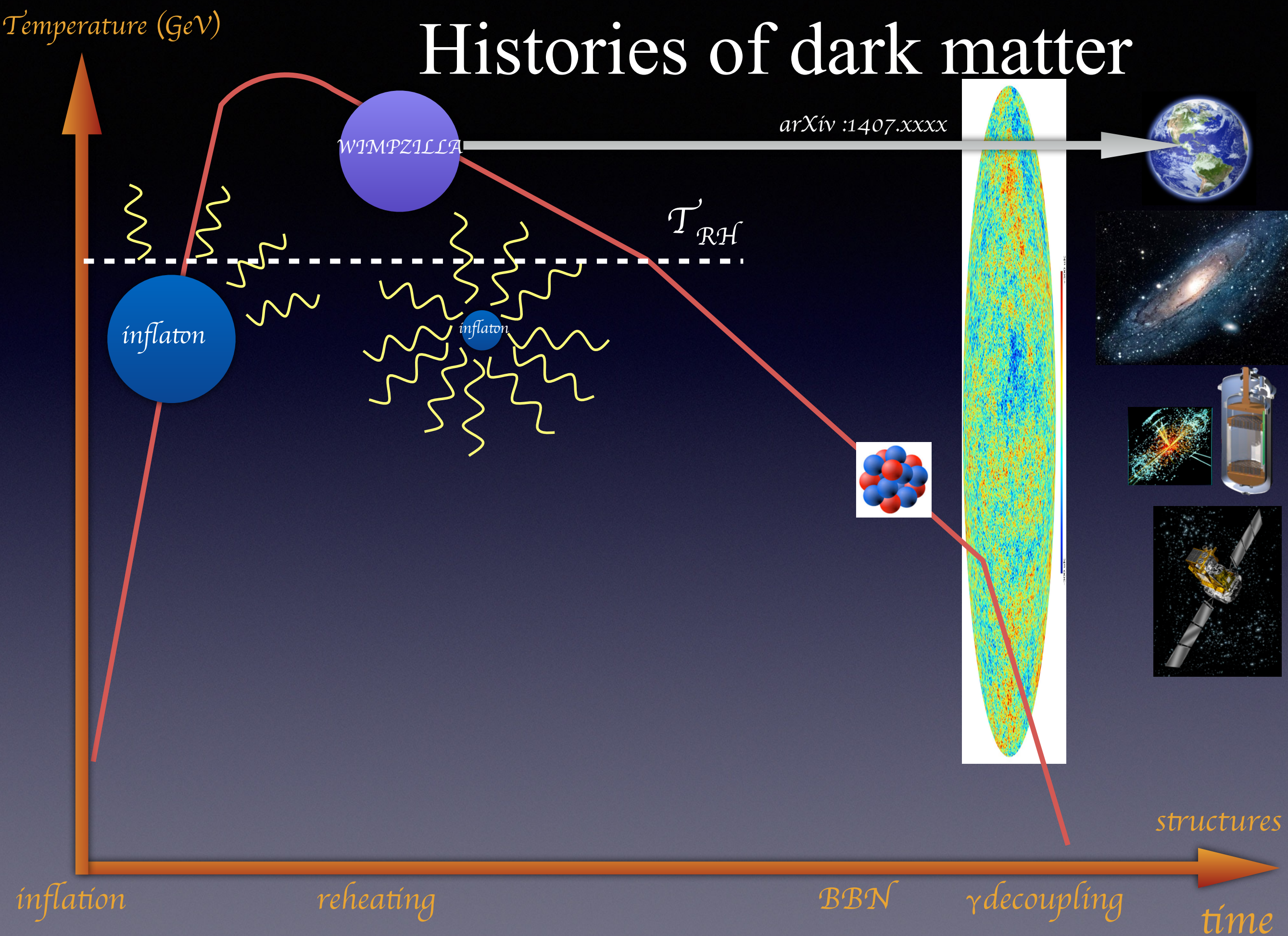
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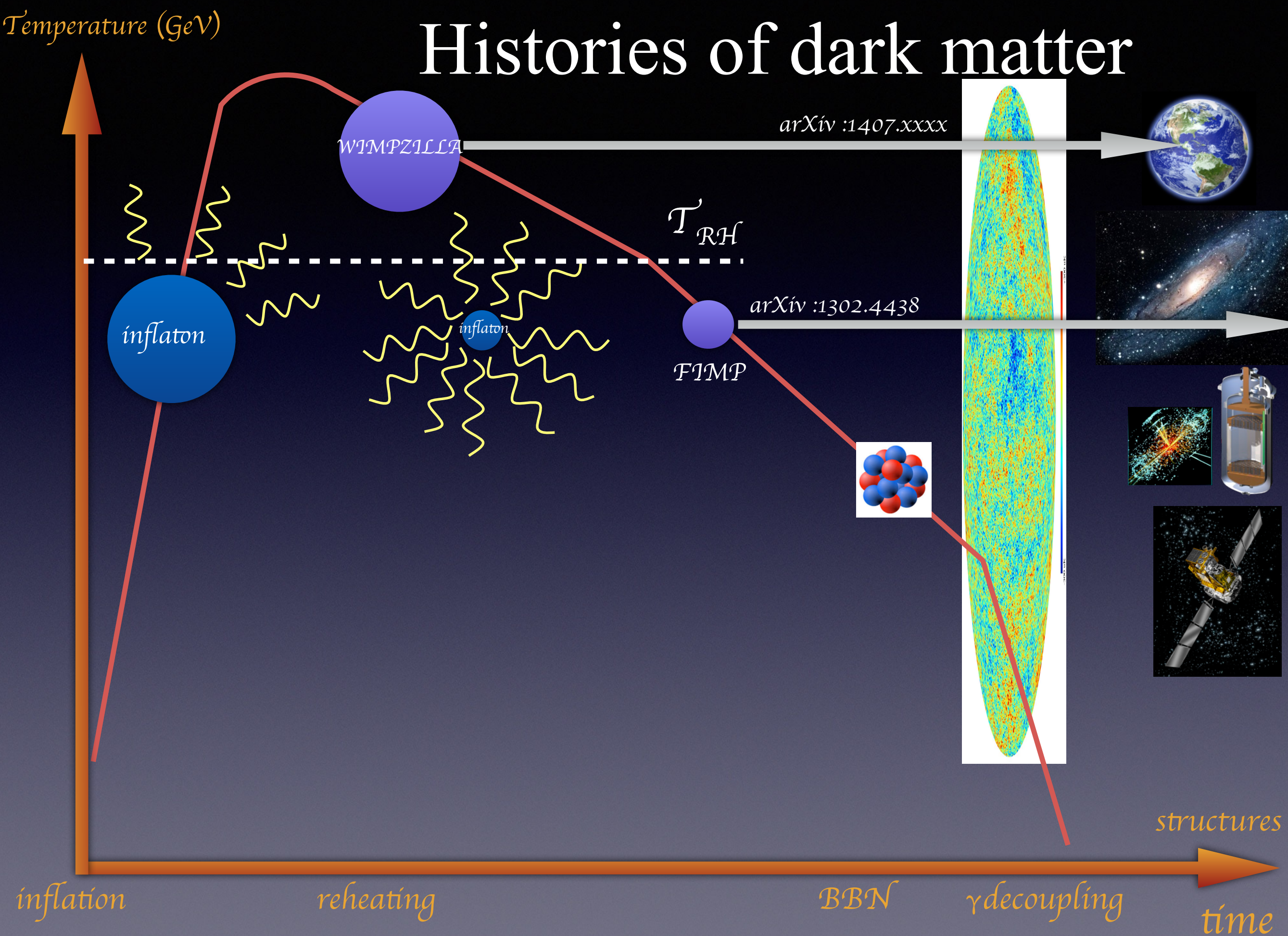


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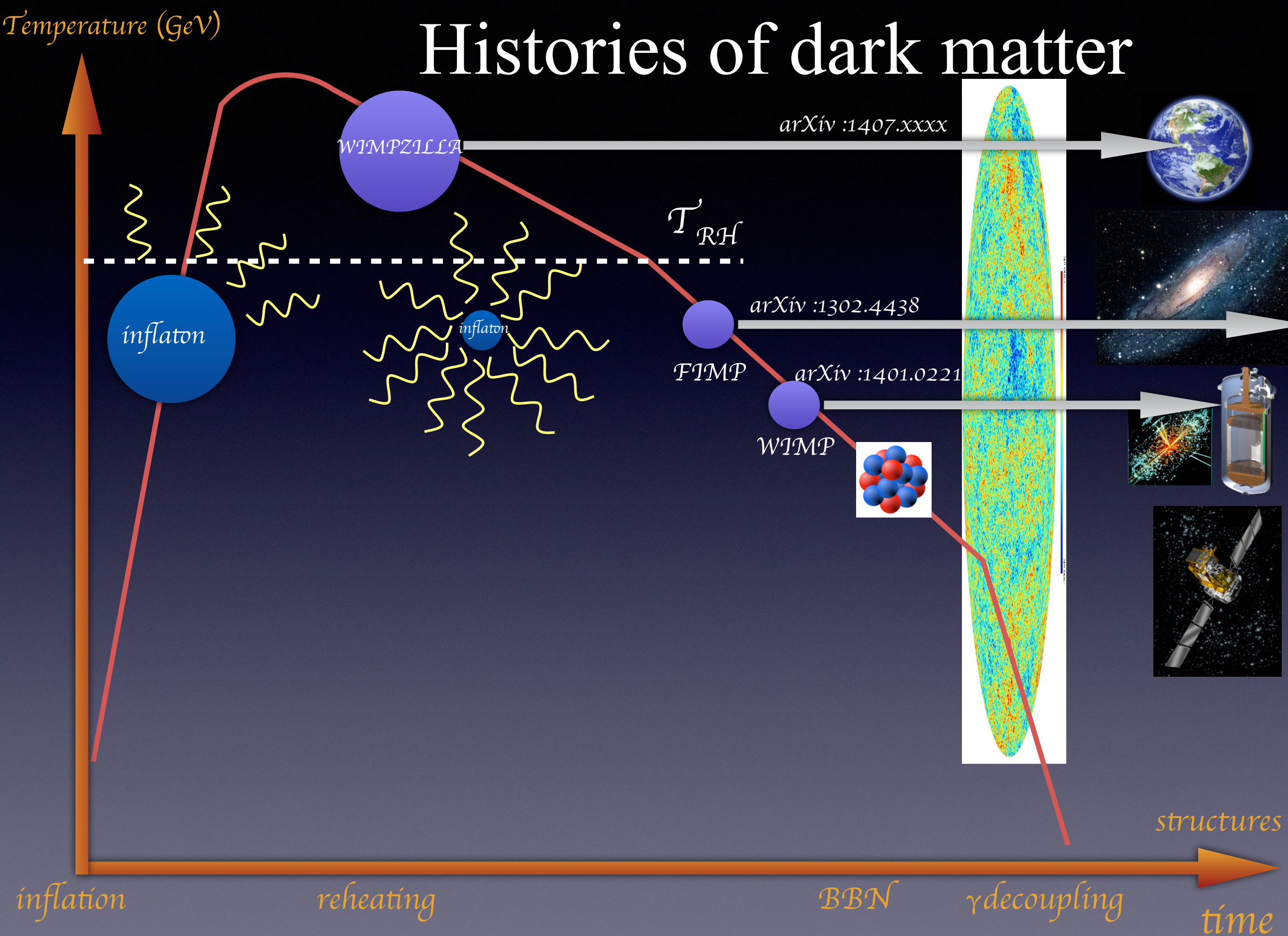


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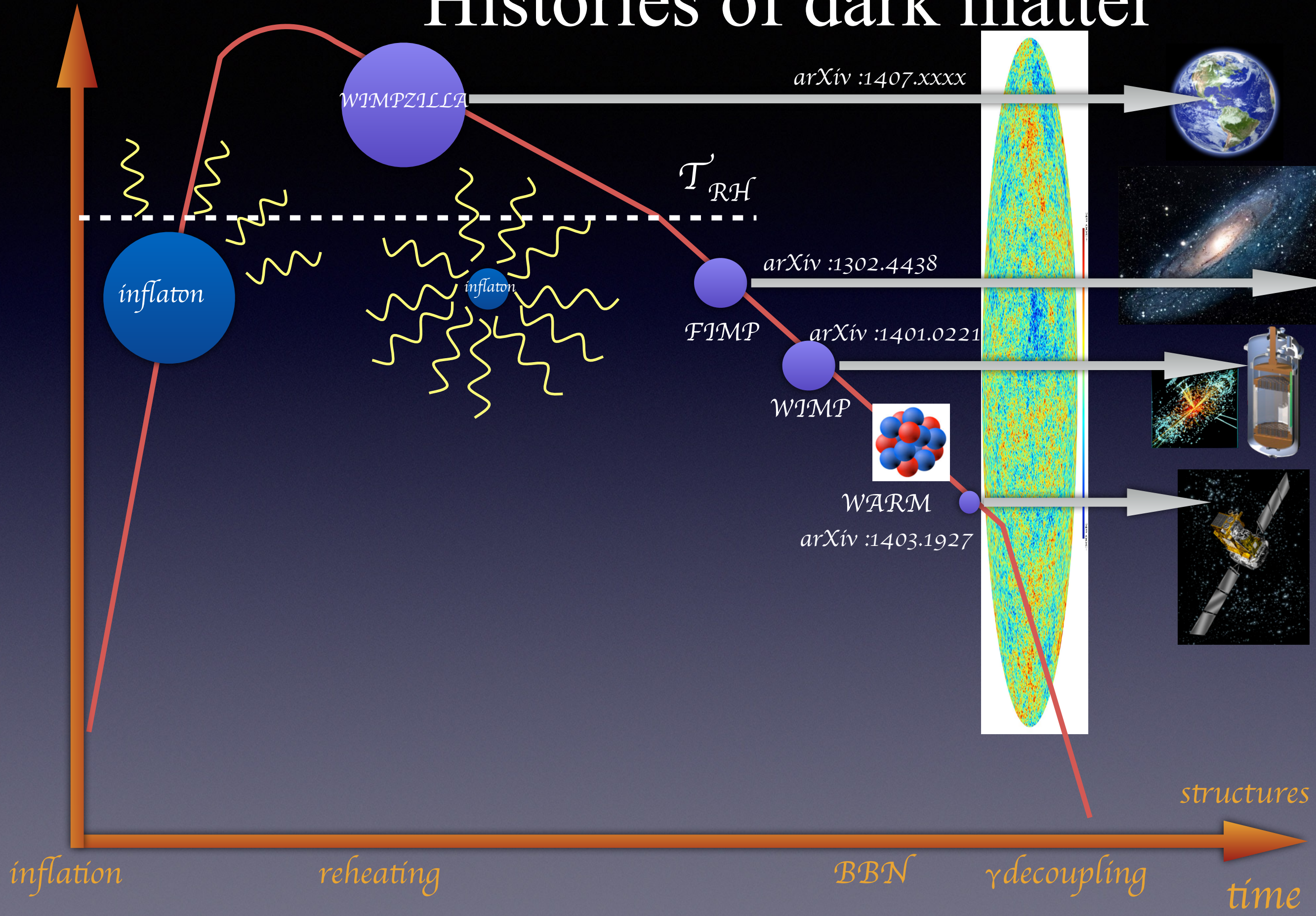
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# Fields of interest

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# 1) Warm-up: thermodynamics

*Book, chapter 2*

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Energy distribution of a gas of a particle A,  
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number density

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## 2 remarks

$$\langle E_c \rangle_{T \ll m_A}^{\text{per particle}} = \frac{\langle E_c \rangle}{n_A(T)_{T \ll m_A}} = \frac{3}{2} T.$$

$$K_2(z) = \frac{z^2}{3} \int_1^{\infty} e^{-zt} (t^2 - 1)^{3/2} dt$$

For a Boltzmann distribution:

$$f_A(\vec{p}) \simeq g_A e^{-\frac{E}{T}} \quad n_A^{\text{Boltzmann}} = g_A \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-\frac{E}{T}} = g_A \frac{m_A^2 T}{2\pi^2} K_2\left(\frac{m_A}{T}\right)$$

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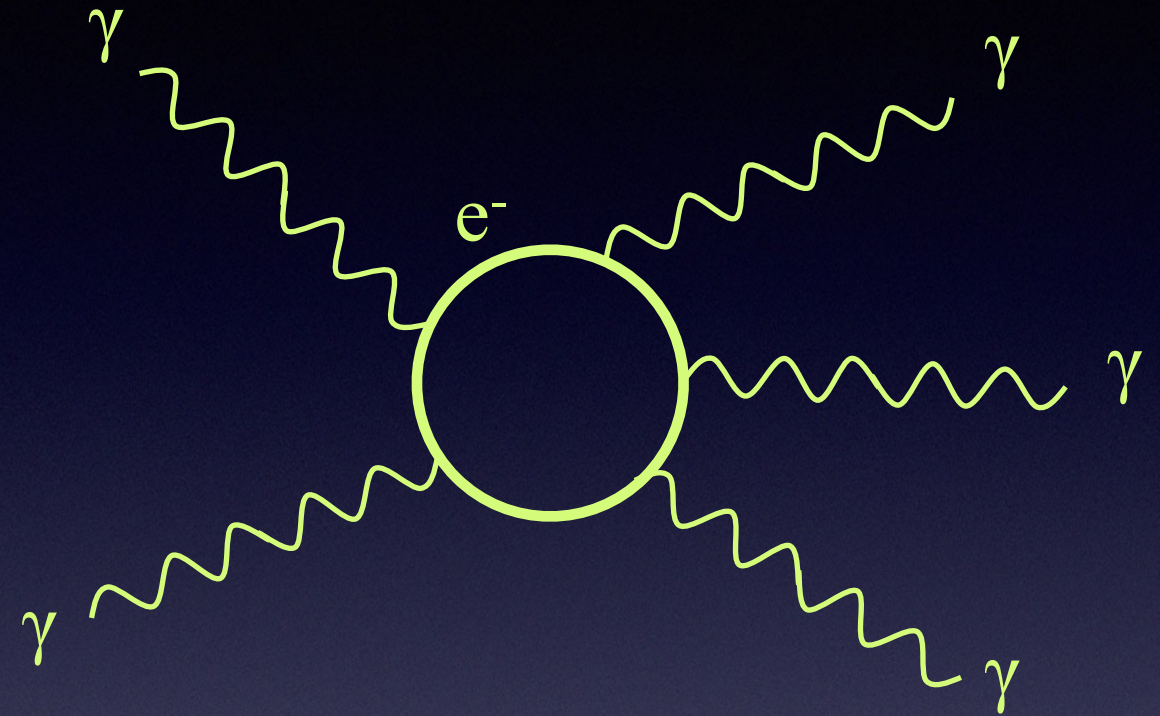
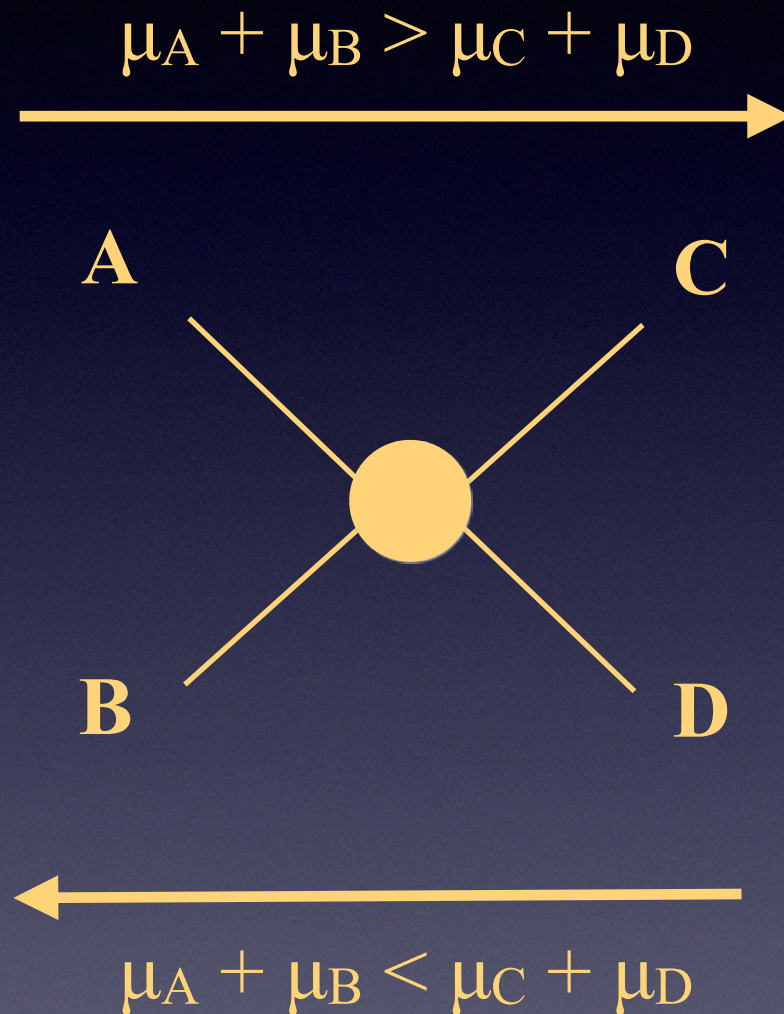
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# The chemical potential



$$3 \mu_\gamma = 2 \mu_\gamma \Rightarrow \mu_\gamma = 0$$

Chemical equilibrium  $\mu_A + \mu_B = \mu_C + \mu_D$



# Degrees of freedom

The primordial plasma is a sum of different species. However, one keeps « T » as the definition of the photon temperature

$$\rho(T) = \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4 \sum_{i=\text{all species}} \frac{30}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{T_i}{T}\right)^4 \frac{g_i}{2\pi^2} \int_{x_i}^{\infty} \frac{(\epsilon^2 - x_i^2)^{1/2} \epsilon^2 d\epsilon}{e^{\epsilon - \mu_i/T} \pm 1} = g_\rho(T) \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4$$

with  $x_i = m_i/T$  and

$$g_\rho(T) = \frac{30}{\pi^2} \sum_{i=\text{all species}} \frac{g_i}{2\pi^2} \left( \int_{x_i}^{\infty} \frac{(\epsilon^2 - x_i^2)^{1/2} \epsilon^2 d\epsilon}{e^{\epsilon - \mu_i/T} \pm 1} \right) \left(\frac{T_i}{T}\right)^4$$

Approximating the Boltzmann function as a step function:

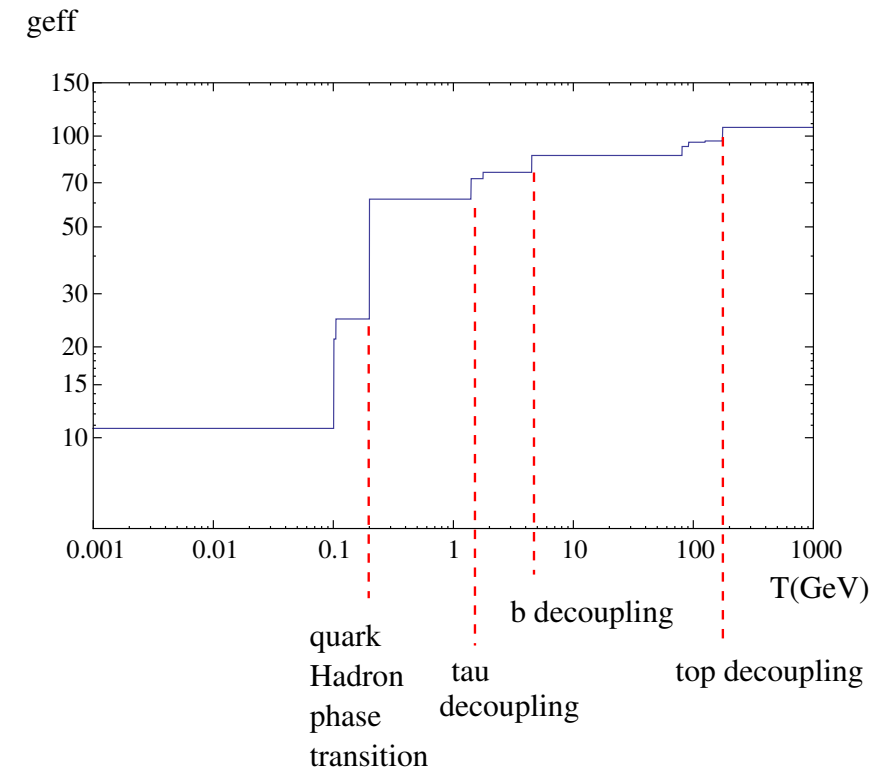
$$g_\rho(T) \simeq \sum_{b=\text{bosons}} g_b \left(\frac{T_b}{T}\right)^4 + \frac{7}{8} \sum_{f=\text{fermions}} g_f \left(\frac{T_f}{T}\right)^4$$

In thermal equilibrium, the temperatures  $T_b$  and  $T_f$  are equal to the photon temperature of the bath  $T_\gamma = T$ . We obtain :

$$g_\rho^{SM} = (3 \times 3 + 9 \times 2 + 1) + \frac{7}{8} (6 \times 4 \times 3 + 3 \times 4 + 3 \times 2) = 106.75$$

$$g_\rho^{\text{today}} = 2 + \frac{7}{8} \times 2 \times 3 \times \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{4/3} = 3.36$$

$$n_\gamma^{\text{today}} = \frac{2\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} T^3 = 394 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$



Effective degree of freedom of the primordial plasma as function of the temperature



# Entropy

*Book, section 2.2.7*

$$TdS = dU + PdV = \delta Q$$

$$U = \rho V$$

$$S = sV$$

$$d\rho - Tds = (Ts - \rho - P)\frac{dV}{V}.$$

$$s = \frac{\rho + P}{T}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^\infty f(E) E dE = \frac{1}{3} \rho$$

$$s = \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_s T^3$$

$$g_s = \sum_{b=\text{bosons}} g_b \left(\frac{T_b}{T}\right)^3 + \frac{7}{8} \sum_{f=\text{fermions}} \left(\frac{T_f}{T}\right)^3$$

$$g_s^{\text{today}} = 2 + \frac{7}{8} \times 2 \times 3 \times \frac{4}{11} = 3.91$$

$$s_0 = \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_s^{\text{today}} T_0^3 = 34.71 \text{ K}^3 = 2.1 \times 10^{-38} \text{ GeV}^3 = 2787 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

**Example:** when the neutrino decouple from the bath,  $T_\nu = T_\gamma$ . After the decoupling of the electrons and positrons, they « gave » their degrees of freedom to the photon, not the neutrino:  $T_\gamma$  increases compare to  $T_\nu$ :

$$T_\nu = (4/11)^{1/3} T_\gamma = (4/11)^{1/3} \times 2.725 \approx 1.95 \text{ K.}$$

$$n_\nu = 109 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

## Consequences

Considering an adiabatic evolution, the total entropy  $S = sV$  should stay constant.

This implies **V proportional to  $1/T^3$** .

Moreover, once a particle decouple from the thermal bath,  $S_{\text{before}} = S_{\text{after}}$  implies

$$g_s^{\text{before}} \cdot T_{\text{before}}^3 = g_s^{\text{after}} \cdot T_{\text{after}}^3$$

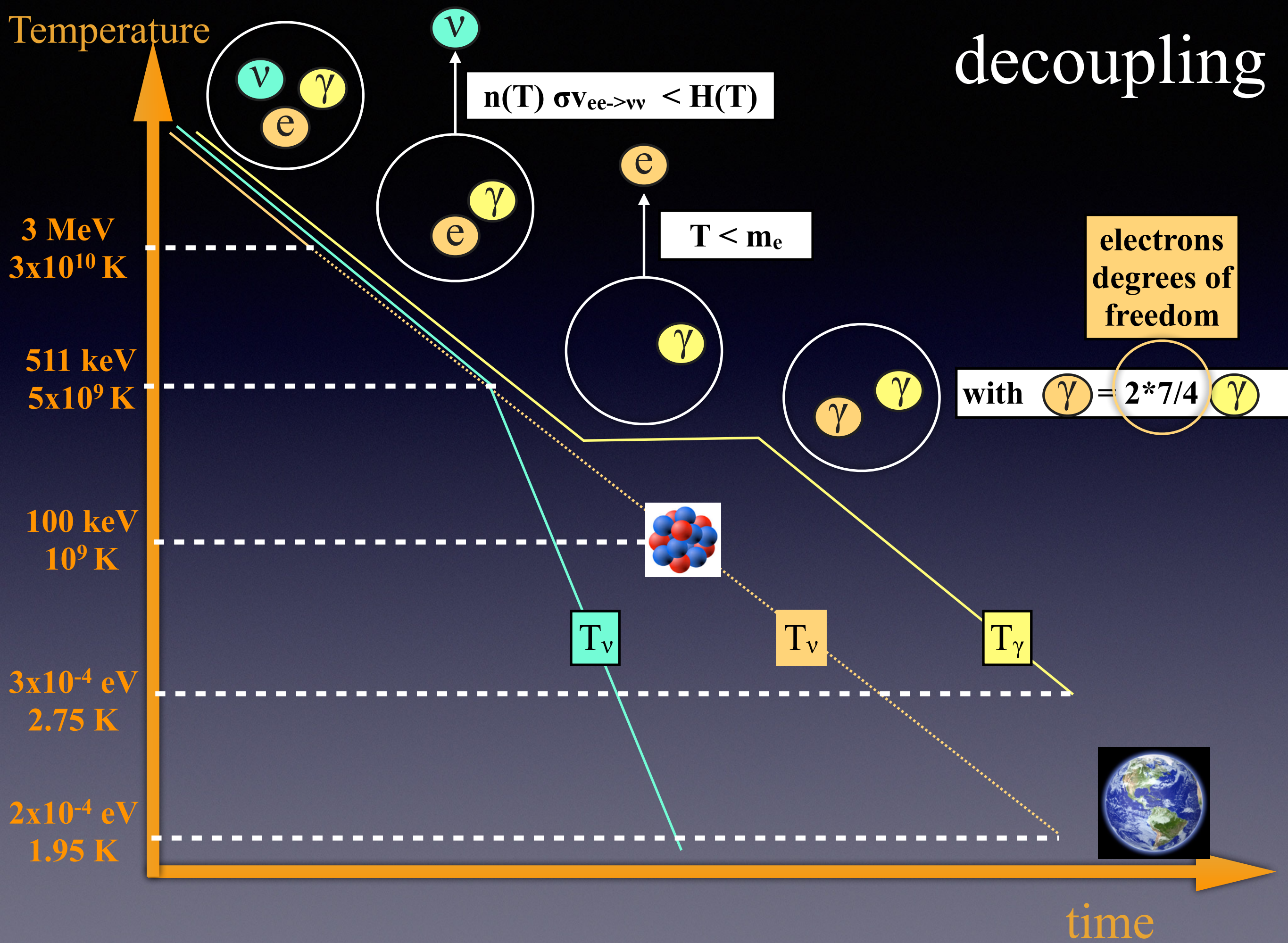
or

$$T_\gamma^{\text{after}} = T_\gamma^{\text{before}} \times (g_s^{\text{before}} / g_s^{\text{after}})^{1/3}.$$

**before**  $e^+ e^-$  decoupling :  $g_s = 2 + 7/8 \times 4 = 11/2$   
**after**  $e^+ e^-$  decoupling :  $g_s = 2$



# decoupling





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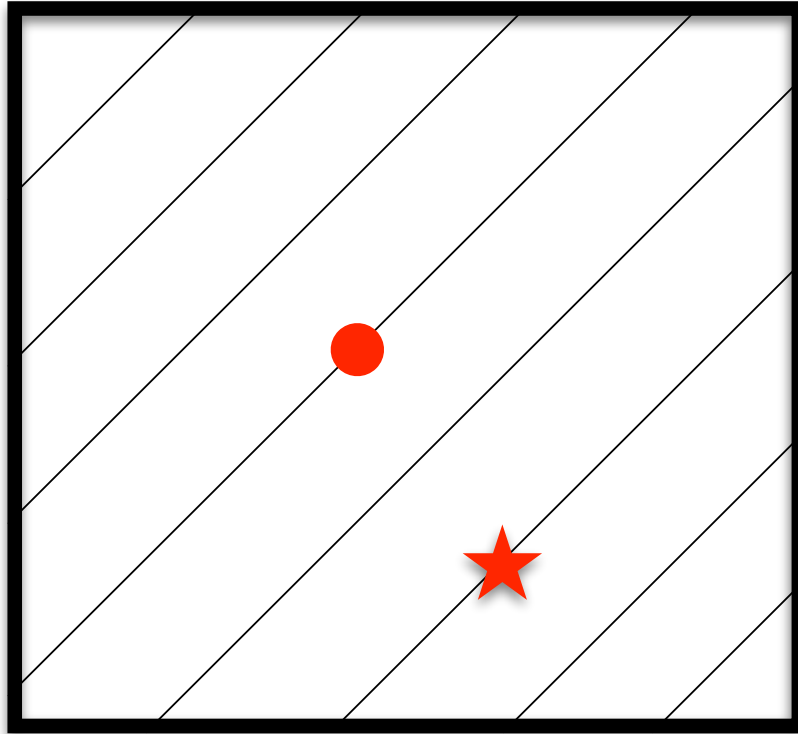
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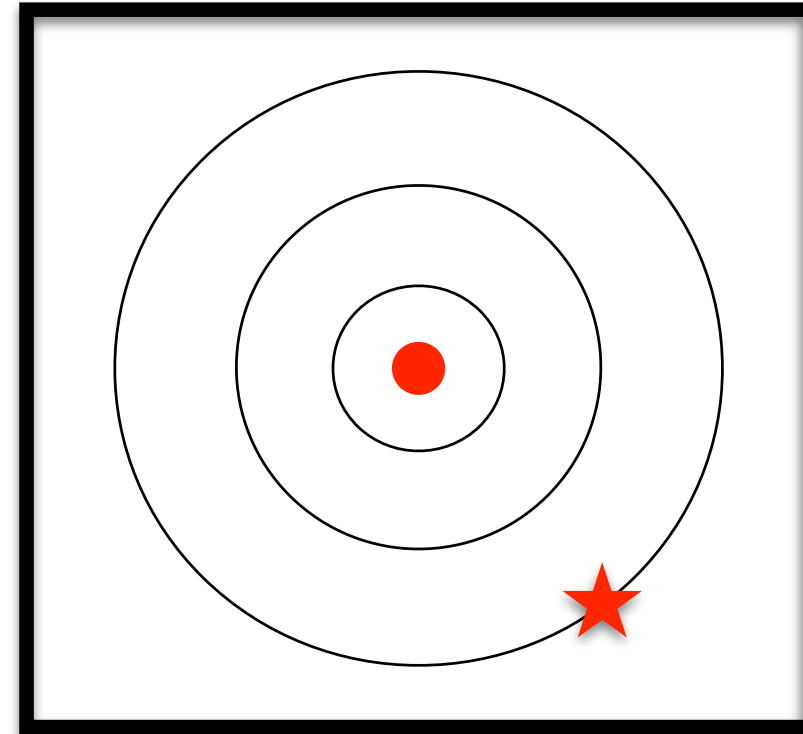
# The Friedmann equations

*Book, 2.2.1*

A newtonian approach: we live in an **isotropic** and **homogeneous** Universe



Homogeneous non-isotropic Universe



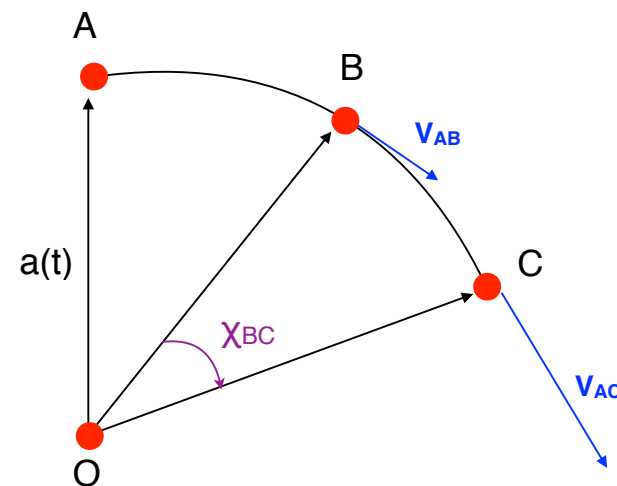
Isotropic non-homogeneous Universe

**The Hubble law is the only law which describes an **isotropic** and **homogeneous** Universe (proof in the book).**

$$v_{AB} = H(t)r_{AB} \Rightarrow H(t) = \frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)}$$

$$r_{AB}(t) = \chi_{AB}a(t),$$

$$v_{AB} = \chi_{AB}\dot{a}(t)$$





# The Friedmann equations *Book, 2.2.1*

If one defines  $\rho(t)$  the mass density between A and B and  $r = r_{AB}$ , one can write

$$M = \frac{4\pi}{3} r^3 \rho(t), \quad \Rightarrow \quad \rho(t) = \rho_0 \left( \frac{a_0}{a(t)} \right)^3$$

whereas the equation of motion is given by

$$m_B \ddot{r} = m_B \chi \ddot{a}(t) = -\frac{GmM}{\chi^2 a^2(t)}, \quad \Rightarrow \quad \ddot{a}(t) = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} \rho(t) a(t) = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} \rho_0 \frac{a_0^3}{a^2(t)}.$$

multiplying by the derivative of  $a$  on both side and integrating with constant  $k$ , one obtains

$$\frac{1}{2} \dot{a}^2 = \frac{4\pi G}{3} \rho_0 \frac{a_0^3}{a(t)} + k, \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)} \right)^2 = H^2(t) = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho(t) + \frac{k}{a^2(t)}$$

The last equation is called the Friedmann equation and is also valid in a general relativity framework



# The Friedman equations

A relativistic approach



# The Hubble « constant »

From the Friedman equation, one can write

$$H^2 = \left( \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho - \frac{kc^2}{a^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3}$$

Which implies, once neglecting the curvature and cosmological constant (primordial universe, radiation dominated)

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho(T)$$

which gives

$$H(T) = \sqrt{g_\rho} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi^3}{45}} \sqrt{G} T^2 = \sqrt{g_\rho} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi^3}{45}} \frac{T^2}{M_P} \simeq 1.66 g_\rho^{1/2} \frac{T^2}{M_P}$$



# Summary of the thermodynamical episode

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$$\rho_A(T) = \pi^2/30 g_A T^4$$

**$\nu_1$  Non Relativistic particles which decoupled while being relativistic**

$$n_A(T) = \xi(3) / \pi^2 g_A T_A^3$$

$$\rho_A(T) = n_A(T_A) \times m_A \propto m_A T_A^3$$

$$\text{with } T_A = f(T)$$

**Density of entropy**

$$s(T) = 2 \pi^2/45 g_s T^3$$

**Non relativistic particles in thermal equilibrium**

$$n_A(T) = g_A (m_A T / 2\pi)^{3/2} e^{-m_A/T}$$

$$\rho_A(T) = n_A(T) m_A \propto T^{3/2} m_A^{5/2}$$

**$DM$  Non Relativistic particles which decoupled while being non relativistic**

$$n_A(T) = s(T) Y_{dec} \propto T^3 / (\sigma v m_A M_{PL})$$

$$\rho_A(T) = n_A(T) \times m_A \propto T^3 / (\sigma v M_{PL})$$

**critical energy (density of energy needed to fulfill the Universe)**

$$\rho_c(T) = 8 \pi G / [3 H^2(T)]$$

$$\text{nowadays } \rho_c^0 = 8 \pi G / [3 H^2(T_0)] = 10^{-5} h^2 \text{ GeV}^4$$

$$\text{with } H(T_0) = 100 h \text{ km/s/Mpc}$$

$$H^2(T) = 8 \pi G / 3 \rho + k/a^2 + \Lambda$$

**in radiation dominated universe ( $T > 1 \text{ eV}$ )**

$$H(T) = 1.6 T^2 / M_{PL} \quad (G = 1/M_{PL}^2)$$

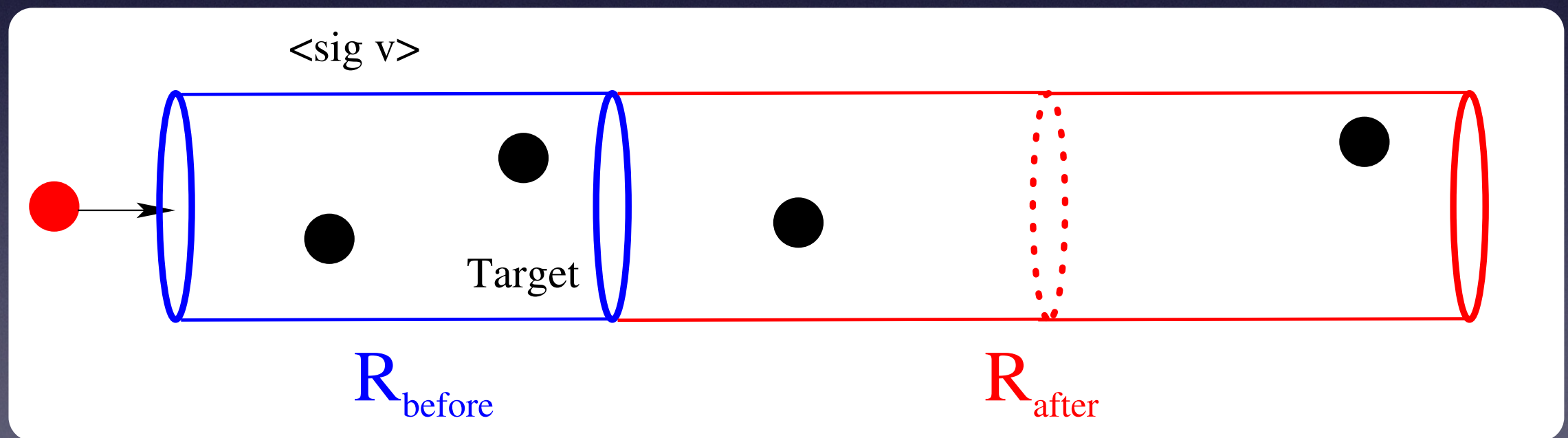


# Decoupling from the bath

Suppose a particle  $\Delta$  interacting in the bath with a rate per particle  $\Gamma = n\langle\sigma v\rangle$ ,  $n$  being the density of the target particle, and  $\langle\sigma v\rangle$  the average cross section times the relative velocity.  $\Delta t = 1/\Gamma$  represents the mean time between two collisions. During this time  $\Delta t$  the universe has expanded by a factor  $\Delta R$  such as  $\Delta R/R = H\Delta t = H/\Gamma$ .

**In another word, when  $H \approx \Gamma$ , the size of the Universe has doubled and the density  $n$  of the target has been divided by 8.**

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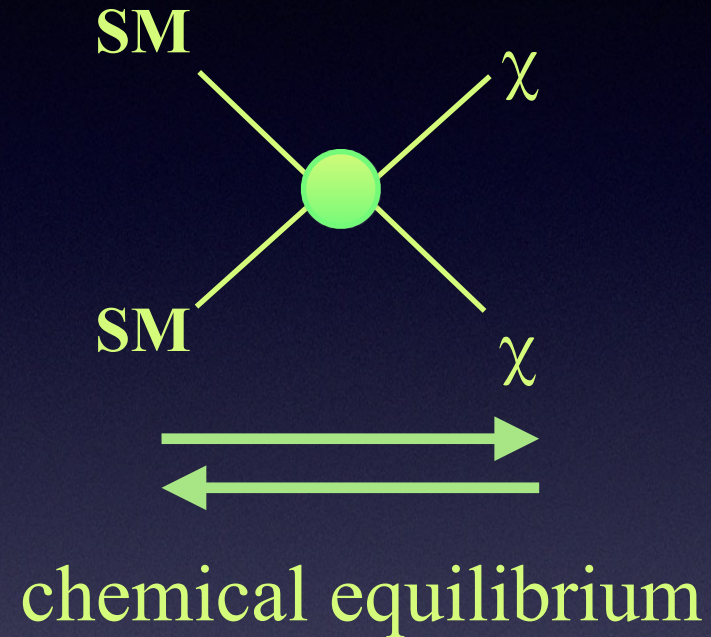
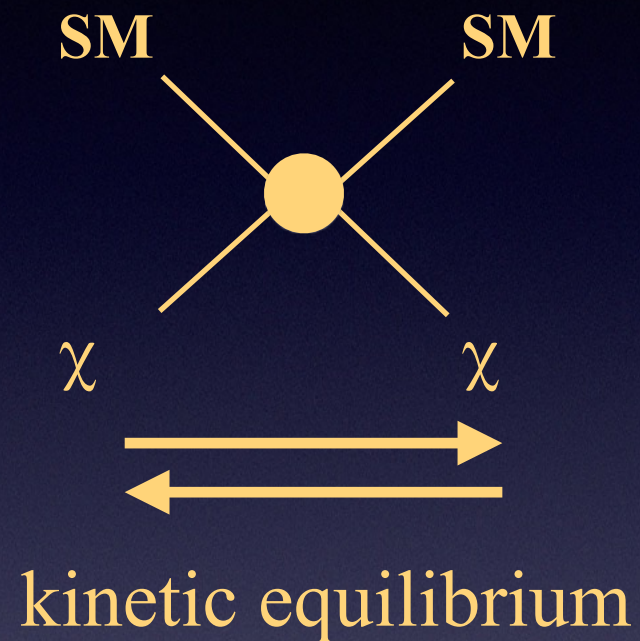
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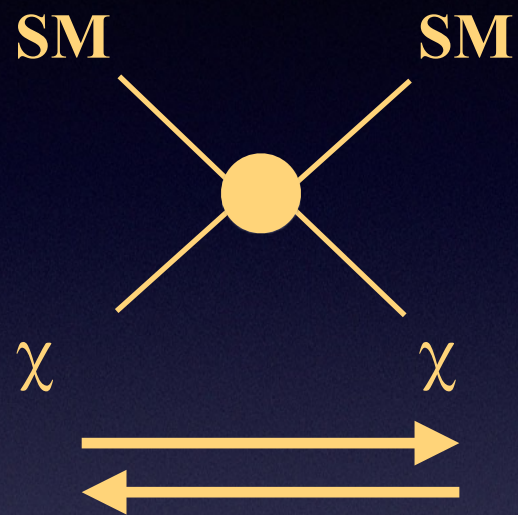
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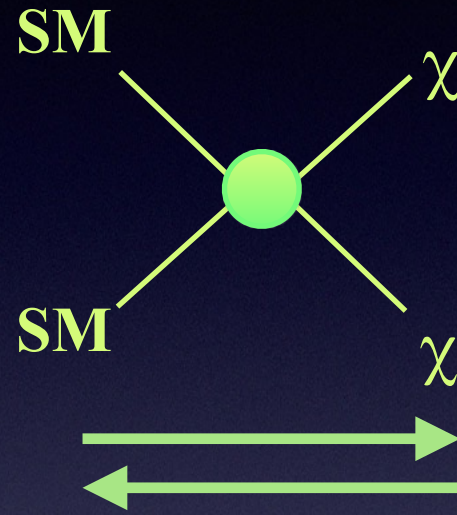
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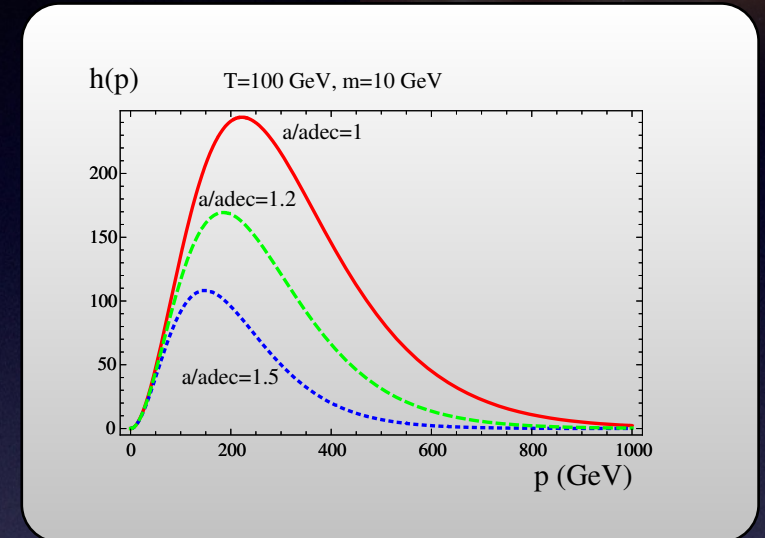
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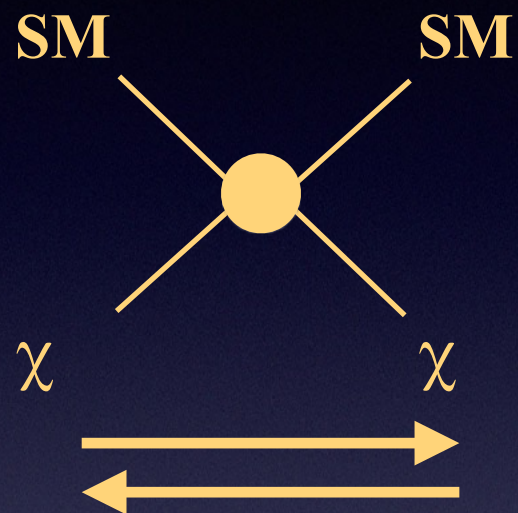
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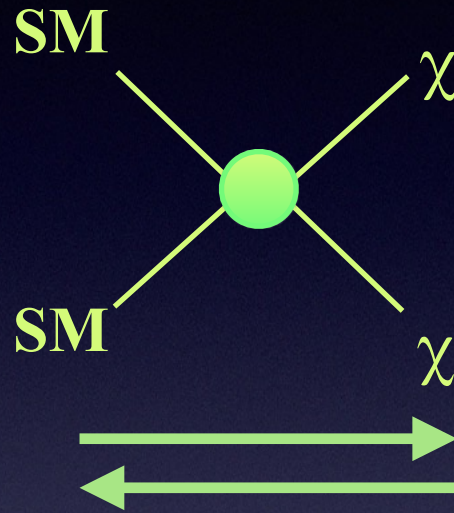
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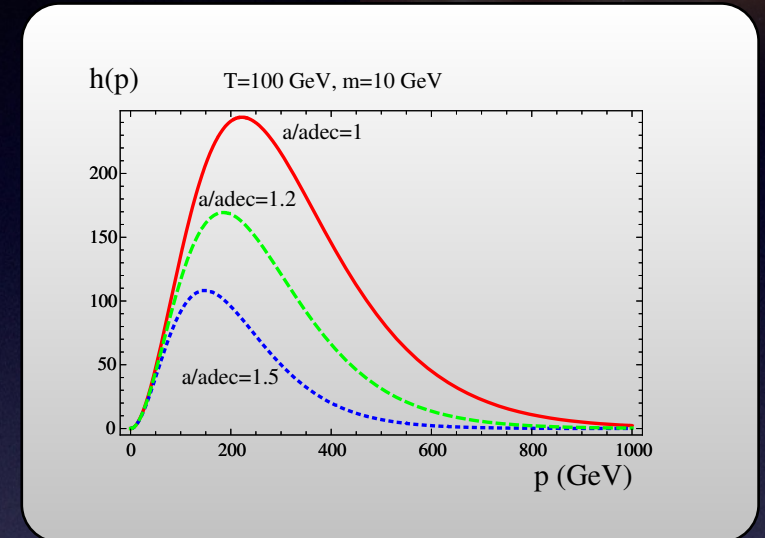
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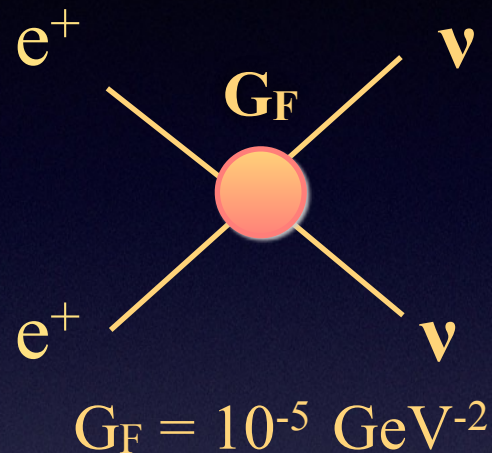
$1/H$ , ( $H$  being the Hubble parameter) is also called the « doubling time »: Universe is twice bigger after the time  $1/H$ . The previous expression just means that the chemical equilibrium dominates over the expansion rate.



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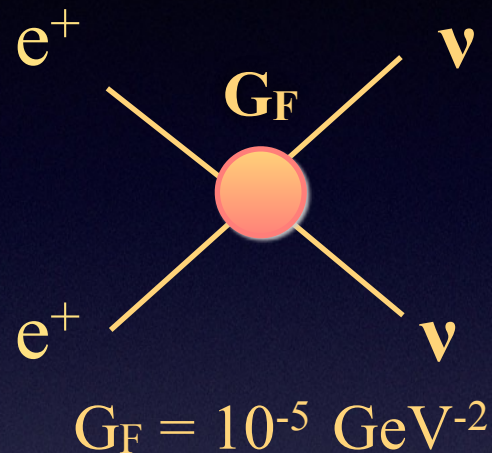
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$$n \times \langle \sigma v \rangle \simeq (T_\chi m_\chi)^{3/2} e^{-m_\chi/T_\chi} \times \frac{1}{T_\chi^2} = H(T_\chi) = \frac{T_\chi^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \Rightarrow \frac{m_\chi}{T_\chi} \simeq 25$$

$T_\chi$  corresponds physically to the temperature under which the thermal bath does not have sufficient energy to produce a dark matter particle.

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# Decoupling of relativistic particles

hot / warm dark matter: no need of the Boltzmann equation

The condition of decoupling of a **particle A** can be written [see the neutrino case as example]

$$\Gamma = n\langle\sigma v\rangle = n\langle\sigma\rangle \simeq T^3 \langle\sigma\rangle \simeq H(T_d) = T_d^2/M_{\text{pl}} \Rightarrow T_d \simeq (\langle\sigma\rangle \cdot M_{\text{pl}})^{-1}$$

At the temperature  $T_d$ , the **particle A** will not communicate with the thermal bath of photons anymore, **BUT** will still preserve its Boltzmann/Maxwell distribution in density or energy

$$n_A(T_A) \simeq (T_A)^3$$

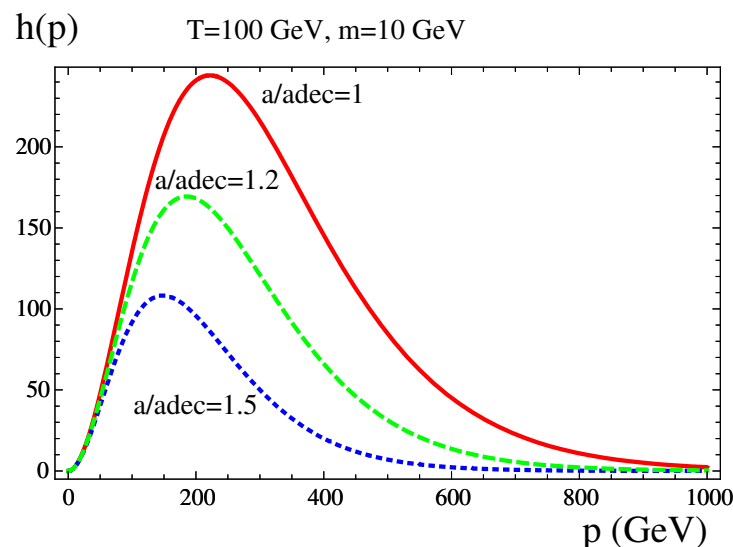
with  $T_A=T_\gamma$  as long as the thermal bath do not loose any other particles. When other particles from the plasma decoupled from it, they will transfer their entropy, and then their temperature through their degrees of freedom (conservation of entropy, see the neutrino case) to the photons. Then  $T_\gamma$  differs from  $T_A$ . The situation is the same for the energy density which is redshifted the same way than the photon.

**This situation stay EVEN when the particle becomes non relativistic anymore!**

Indeed, nothing will perturb the Boltzmann/Maxwell distribution once decoupled:

**(DEFINITION of a TEMPERATURE).**

Nowadays, even if the neutrinos are massive, heavier than the CMB temperature, they still follow a relativistic distribution:  $n(T) \simeq T^3$ .



$$\Omega_A = \frac{\rho_A}{\rho_c^0} = \frac{n(T)m_A}{\rho_c^0} = \frac{\zeta(3)g_A(T_A^0)^3}{\pi^2 10^{-5} h^2} m_A$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_A h^2 = 10^5 \frac{\zeta(3)g_A(T_A^0)^3}{\pi^2} m_A$$



# The Boltzmann equation in a nutshell



For the massive case, one will need to solve the Boltzmann equation as the decoupling from the thermal bath is slightly more complex.

In a close system in expansion, we have conservation of the total number of particles :

$$\frac{dN_i}{dt} = -N_i n_i \langle \sigma v \rangle_{i \rightarrow j} + N_j n_j \langle \sigma v \rangle_{j \rightarrow i}$$

and from  $N_i = n_i \times a^3$  one obtains

$$\frac{dn_i}{dt} = -3 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} n_i - n_i n_i \langle \sigma v \rangle_{i \rightarrow j} + n_j n_j \langle \sigma v \rangle_{j \rightarrow i}$$

noticing that when  $n_i = n_j = n^{\text{EQ}}$  **the system is frozen** ( $dn_i/dt=0$ ), one deduces:

$$\frac{dn_i}{dt} = -3H n_i - \langle \sigma v \rangle_{i \rightarrow j} \left[ n_i^2 - (n_i^{\text{EQ}})^2 \right]$$

This is the Boltzmann equation



# Solving the equation

book 2.3.4



$$\frac{dn}{dt} = -3Hn - \langle \sigma v \rangle (n^2 - n_{eq}^2) \Rightarrow \frac{dn}{dT} = 3\frac{n}{T} - \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{HT} (n_{eq}^2 - n^2)$$

$$\left( \frac{d}{dt} = \frac{dT}{dt} \frac{d}{dT} = -T \frac{da/dt}{a} \frac{d}{dT} = -HT \frac{d}{dT} \rightarrow t \propto \frac{M_{Pl}}{T^2} \right)$$

$$\text{defining the yield } Y = \frac{n}{S}, \text{ with the entropy } S = \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_s T^3$$

$$\frac{dY_\chi}{dT} = T^2 \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{1,2 \rightarrow \chi\chi}}{H(T)} (Y_\chi^2 - Y_{eq}^2) \text{ with } \langle \sigma v \rangle = \int_{T_{RH}}^T \Pi_i \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^{3i}} |\mathcal{M}_{1,2 \rightarrow \chi\chi}|^2 e^{-E_1/T} e^{-E_2/T} \text{ and } H(T) = \frac{T^2}{M_{Pl}}$$

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$$\frac{dY}{dx} = \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle s}{Hx} (Y_{eq}^2 - Y^2) \simeq \frac{6.6 \times 10^9}{x^2} \frac{g_s}{g_\rho^{1/2}} \left( \frac{m}{\text{GeV}} \right) \left( \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{3 \times 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}} \right) (Y_{eq}^2 - Y^2)$$



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s-wave annihilation is characterized by  $\langle \sigma v \rangle = \text{cte}$

$$\frac{dY}{dx} \approx -\frac{\lambda(x)}{x^2} Y^2$$

$$\frac{1}{Y_0} - \frac{1}{Y_f} = \lambda \left( \frac{1}{x_f} - \frac{1}{x_0} \right) \Rightarrow Y_0 \simeq \frac{x_f}{\lambda}$$

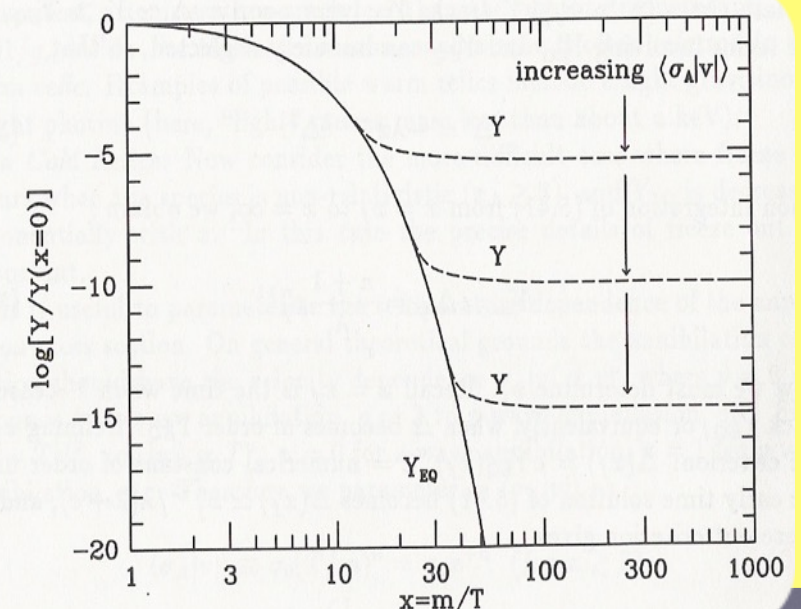
with  $x_f$ , time of freeze out obtained as a first approximation by solving

$$Y(T_0) \simeq 5 \times 10^{-10} \left( \frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{m} \right)$$

$$\Omega_A = \frac{\rho_A}{\rho_c^0} = \frac{m n_A}{\rho_c^0} = \frac{m Y_0 s_0}{\rho_c^0} = \frac{m x_f}{\lambda} \frac{2\pi^2 g_s^{\text{today}} T_0^3}{45 \rho_c^0}$$

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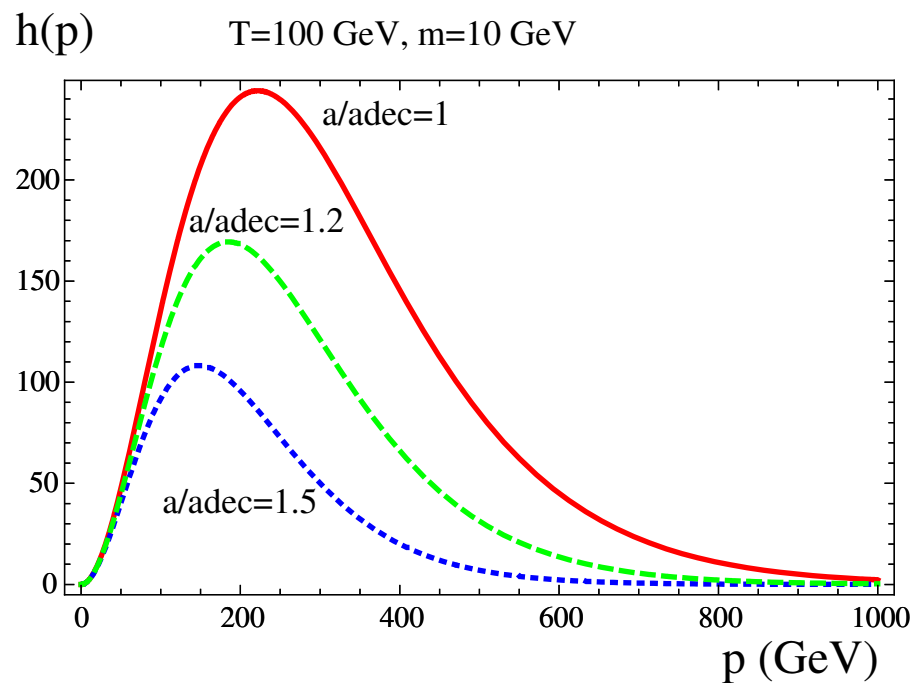
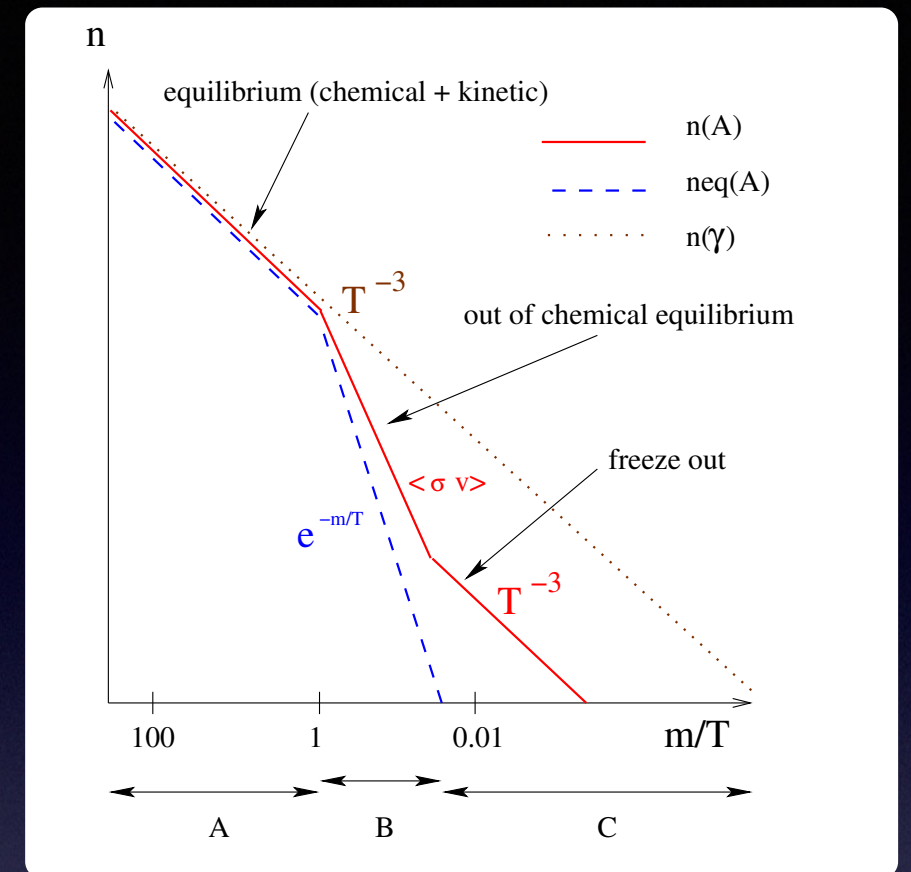
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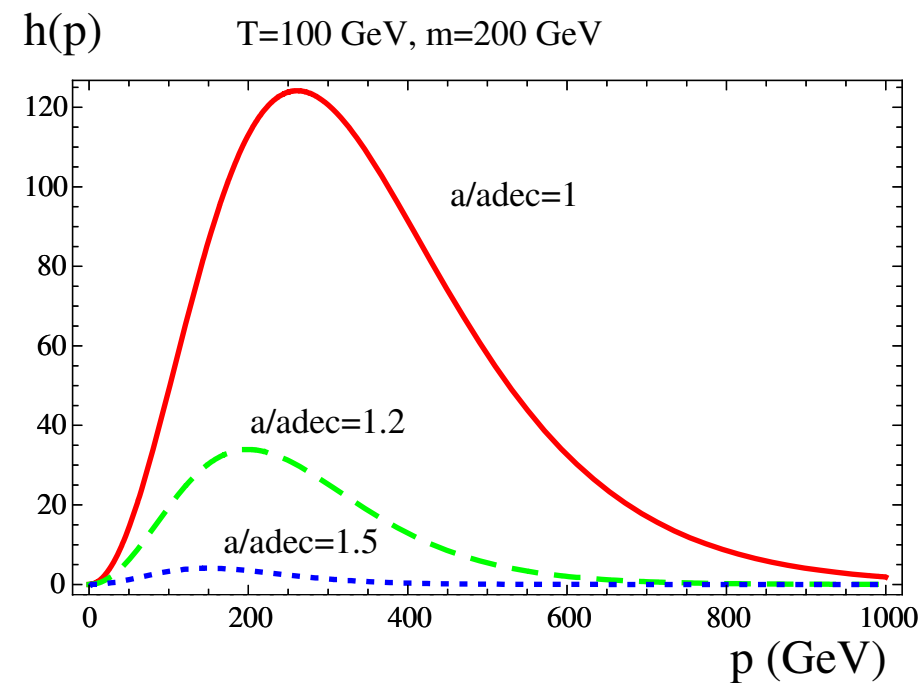


# Remarks : temperatures and energies after decoupling.

*Book, 2.2.6*



$$f(p, t > t_{\text{dec}}) = \frac{1}{e^{E/\tilde{T}(t)} \pm 1}, \quad \text{with } \tilde{T}(t) = T_{\text{dec}} \frac{a(t_{\text{dec}})}{a(t)}.$$



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# First microscopical approach

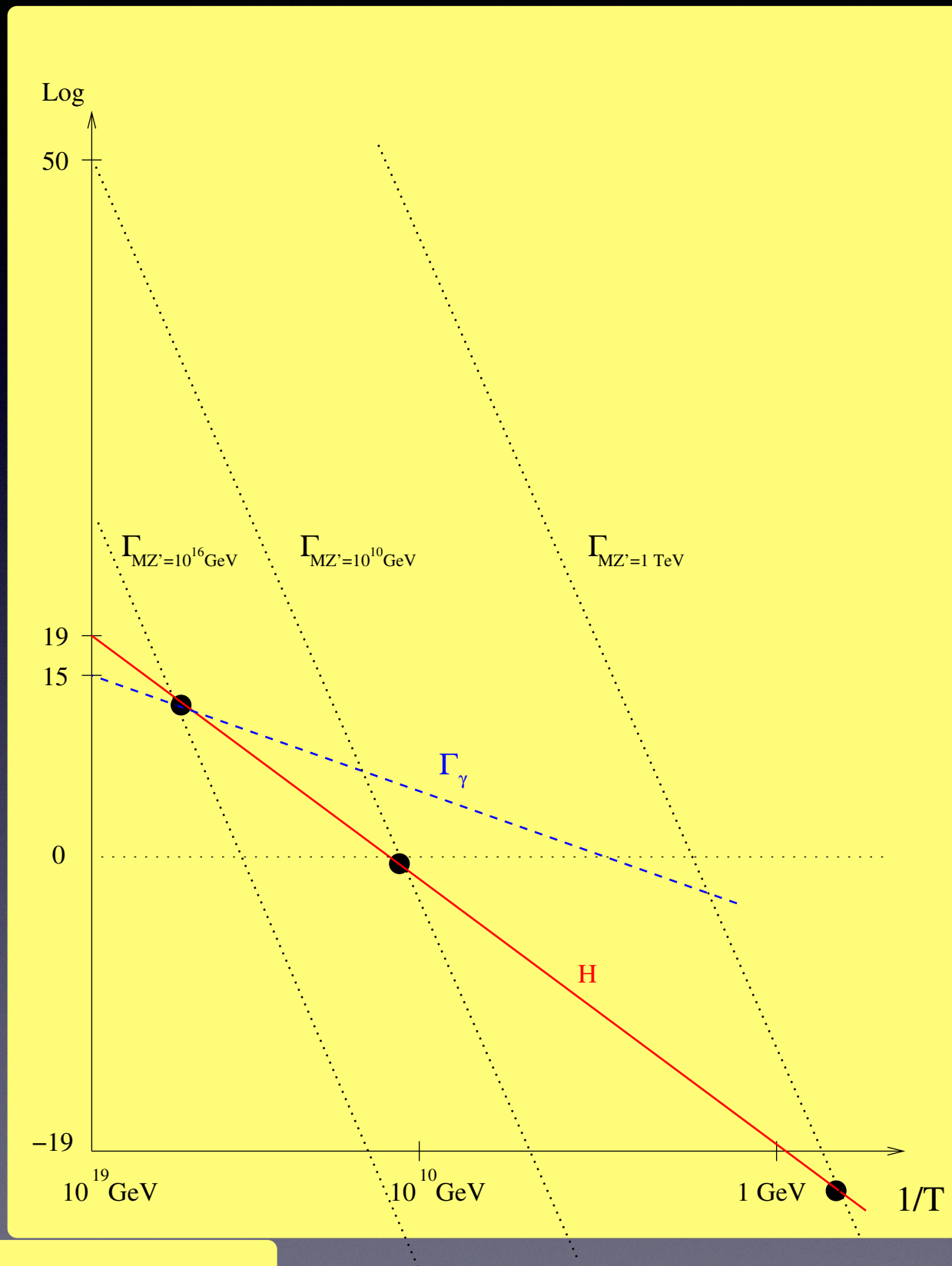
In the case of the exchange of a **massless mediator**,  $\sigma \simeq g^4/T^2$  implying  $\Gamma = n\langle\sigma v\rangle = n\langle\sigma\rangle \simeq g^4 T$ . The particle will thus be decoupled from the primordial plasma when

$$\frac{\Gamma}{H} \lesssim 1 \Rightarrow \frac{g^4 M_P}{T} \lesssim 1 \Rightarrow T \gtrsim g^4 M_P \simeq 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$$

In the case of the exchange of a **massive gauge** boson  $Z'$  ( $M_{Z'} > T$ ) the cross section of the reaction can be written  $\sigma \simeq g^4 T^2/M_{Z'}^4 \Rightarrow \Gamma \simeq g^4 T^5/M_{Z'}^4$ . The decoupling temperature will then be given by the usual condition:

$$\frac{\Gamma}{H} \lesssim 1 \Rightarrow \frac{g^4 M_P T^3}{M_{Z'}^4} \lesssim 1$$

$$\Rightarrow T \lesssim \left(\frac{M_{Z'}}{g}\right)^{4/3} M_P^{-1/3} \simeq 0.1 \left(\frac{M_{Z'}}{1 \text{ TeV}}\right)^{4/3} \text{ MeV}$$



$$\log H \simeq -2 \log 1/T - 19; \quad \log \Gamma_\gamma \simeq -\log 1/T - 4; \quad \log \Gamma_{M_{Z'}} = -5 \log 1/T - 4 \log M_{Z'} - 4$$



# Fields of interest

The meaning of equilibrium

$$\Gamma_{i \rightarrow f} = n_i(T) \langle \sigma v \rangle_{i \rightarrow f} = H(T)$$

Particle Physics



# The Hut-Lee-Weinberg bound

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"Tentativo di una teoria dei raggi  $\beta$ ",  
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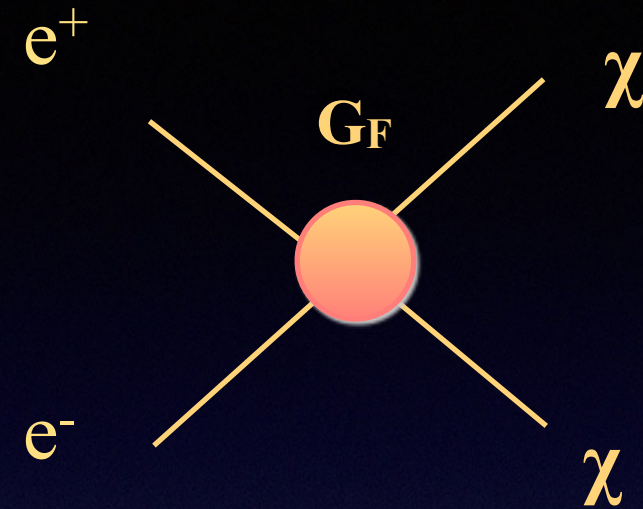
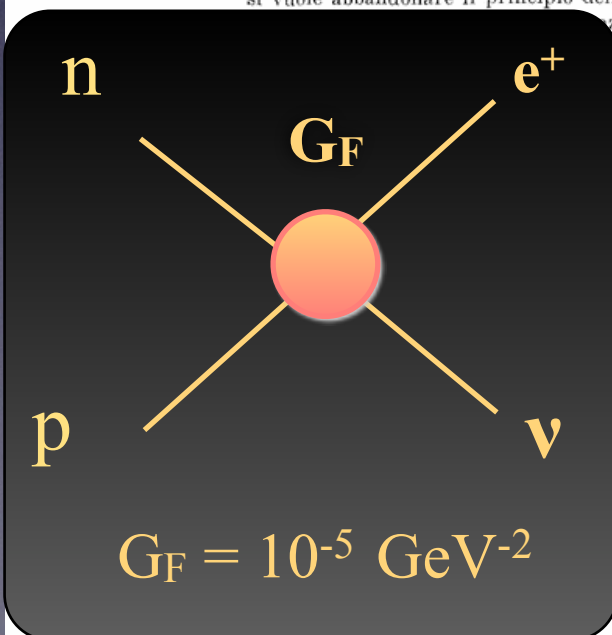
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## The (Hut-)Lee-Weinberg bound (1977)

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = G_F^2 m_\chi^2 > 10^{-9} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \Rightarrow m_\chi > 2 \text{ GeV}$$

### LIMITS ON MASSES AND NUMBER OF NEUTRAL WEAKLY INTERACTING PARTICLES

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### Cosmological Lower Bound on Heavy-Neutrino Masses

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The present cosmic mass density of possible stable neutral heavy leptons is calculated in a standard cosmological model. In order for this density not to exceed the upper limit of  $2 \times 10^{-29} \text{ g/cm}^3$ , the lepton mass would have to be greater than a lower bound of the order of 2 GeV.



# The Zeldovich-Cowsik-McClelland bound

## REST MASS OF MUONIC NEUTRINO AND COSMOLOGY

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of the  $e^+e^-$  increases the number of quanta without changing the number of neutrinos per unit of co-moving volume [5]. At the present time we can expect

$$[e^+] + [e^-] = 0, \quad [v_\mu] + [\bar{v}_\mu] = [v_e] + [\bar{v}_e] = 0.5[\gamma].$$

At 3°K we have  $[\gamma] = 550 \text{ g/cm}^3$ , from which we obtain for the neutrino at the present time

$$[v_\mu] + [\bar{v}_\mu] = [v_e] + [\bar{v}_e] = 300 \text{ cm}^{-3}.$$

Comparing with the density limit given above, we obtain

$$m_0(v_\mu) < 7 \times 10^{-31} \text{ g} = 400 \text{ eV}/c^2$$

[CMB, Penziaz 1965 + discovery  $v_\mu$ , Lederman 1962]

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## An Upper Limit on the Neutrino Rest Mass\*

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In order that the effect of gravitation of the thermal background neutrinos on the expansion of the universe not be too severe, their mass should be less than  $8 \text{ eV}/c^2$ .

at  $T < m_e$ ,  $e^-$  and  $e^+$  decouple from the thermal bath: they give their degrees of freedom ( $2+2=4$ ) to the photons and not the neutrinos because the latter are already out of equilibrium since  $T \sim 3 \text{ MeV}$   
 $2 n_\gamma \rightarrow (2 + 7/8 \cdot 4) n_\gamma = 11/2 n_\gamma$ .

The photons are then almost 3 times more « dense » than the neutrino in the bath after the decoupling of the electrons,  
 resulting at  $T_0=2.7 \text{ K}$ ,  $n_\gamma = 400 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  [CMB]  $\Rightarrow n_\nu + n_{\bar{\nu}} = 200 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

To avoid overclosing the Universe, one needs

$$\rho_\nu = m_\nu (n_\nu + n_{\bar{\nu}}) < \rho_{\text{crit}} = 3 H^2 / 8 \pi G = 2 \times 10^{-29} h^2 \text{ g / cm}^3$$

$$\Rightarrow m_\nu < 2 \cdot 10^{-31} h^2 \text{ g} = 94 h^2 \text{ eV} = 45 \text{ eV} \quad [H_0=67 \text{ km/s/Mpc}]$$

[corrections 1/3 from  $\Omega_m$  versus 1 (or 5, Zeldovich)  
 + number of families]

[Zeldovich considered  $\rho < 2 \times 10^{-28} \text{ g/cm}^3$ ]



# A little remark

Treatment of Zeldovich is ~ok but **two little mistakes** has been made by **Cowsik**:  
(the original article can be find there: [http://www.ymambrini.com/My\\_World/History.html](http://www.ymambrini.com/My_World/History.html) )

$$n_{Fi}(0) = n_{Fi}(z_{eq}) \left[ \frac{1}{1+z_{eq}} \right]^3 \approx 0.0913(2s_i + 1) \left[ \frac{T_r(0)}{\hbar c} \right]^3$$

and

$$n_{Bi}(0) \approx 0.122(2s_i + 1) \left[ \frac{T_r(0)}{\hbar c} \right]^3.$$

Taking  $T_r(0) \approx 2.7^\circ\text{K}$ , we have

$$n_{Fi}(0) \approx 150(2s_i + 1) \text{ cm}^{-3},$$

**Not true.** Cowsik forgot to take into account the reheating of the thermal bath (photons) due to the entropy conservation once the electrons/positrons decoupled. Factor  $(4/11)^{1/3}$  (see book section 2.2.7 + Entropy slide)

$$\rho_{\text{weak}} \approx \sum n_{Bi} m_i + n_{Fj} m_j \gtrsim 150(2s_i + 1)m_i < \rho_{\text{tot}} \quad (6)$$

or

$$\sum (2s_i + 1)m_i \lesssim 66 \text{ eV}/c^2.$$

Here the summation is to be carried out over all the particle and antiparticle states of both fermions and bosons. Considering only the neutrinos and antineutrinos of the muon and electron kind each having a mass of  $m_\nu$ , Eq. (6) leads to the result  $m_\nu < 8 \text{ eV}/c^2$ .

Cowsik considered left + right handed neutrino whereas right handed neutrino does not feel weak interaction, i.e. cannot be considered as in thermal equilibrium with the left handed ones: only 2 degrees of freedom for neutrinos should be considered ( $\nu_L + \bar{\nu}_L$ ), not 4



# A little mistreatment made by Zeldovich

$$[v_e] + [\bar{v}_e] = [v_\mu] + [\bar{v}_\mu] = [e^+] + [e^-] = 2 \frac{\int (e^x + 1)^{-1} x^2 dx}{\int (e^x - 1)^{-1} x^2 dx} [\gamma] = 1.5 [\gamma].$$

However, during the course of the cooling from  $T > m_e c^2$  (for which these relations are written) to the present time, when  $T \ll m_e c^2$ , these relations change, since the annihilation

of the  $e^+ e^-$  increases the number of quanta without changing the number of neutrinos per unit of co-moving volume [5]. At the present time we can expect

$$[e^+] + [e^-] = 0, \quad [v_\mu] + [\bar{v}_\mu] = [v_e] + [\bar{v}_e] = 0.5 [\gamma].$$

At 3°K we have  $[\gamma] = 550 \text{ g/cm}^3$ , from which we obtain for the neutrino at the present time

$$[v_\mu] + [\bar{v}_\mu] = [v_e] + [\bar{v}_e] = 300 \text{ cm}^{-3}.$$



**Zeldovich considered indeed that the degrees of freedom (quanta as he wrote) of the electrons are transferred to the photons and not the neutrino (*Peebles, 1966*) he miscounted the degrees of freedoms forgetting that **the fundamental quantities which is conserved is the entropy  $s(T) = (\rho + P/3)/T = 4/3 \rho(T)/T$  and not  $n(T)$ .****

**They considered that  $[e^+] + [e^-] = (3/4 \times 4) = 1.5 [\gamma]$  give all their 4 degrees of freedom to the photons after their decoupling, thus**

$$[\gamma]_{\text{after}} = (2 + 4)/2 = 3 [\gamma]_{\text{before}} \text{ implying } ([v] + [\bar{v}])_{\text{after}} = 0.5 [\gamma]_{\text{after}}$$

**The exact treatment should be made with the entropy conservation**

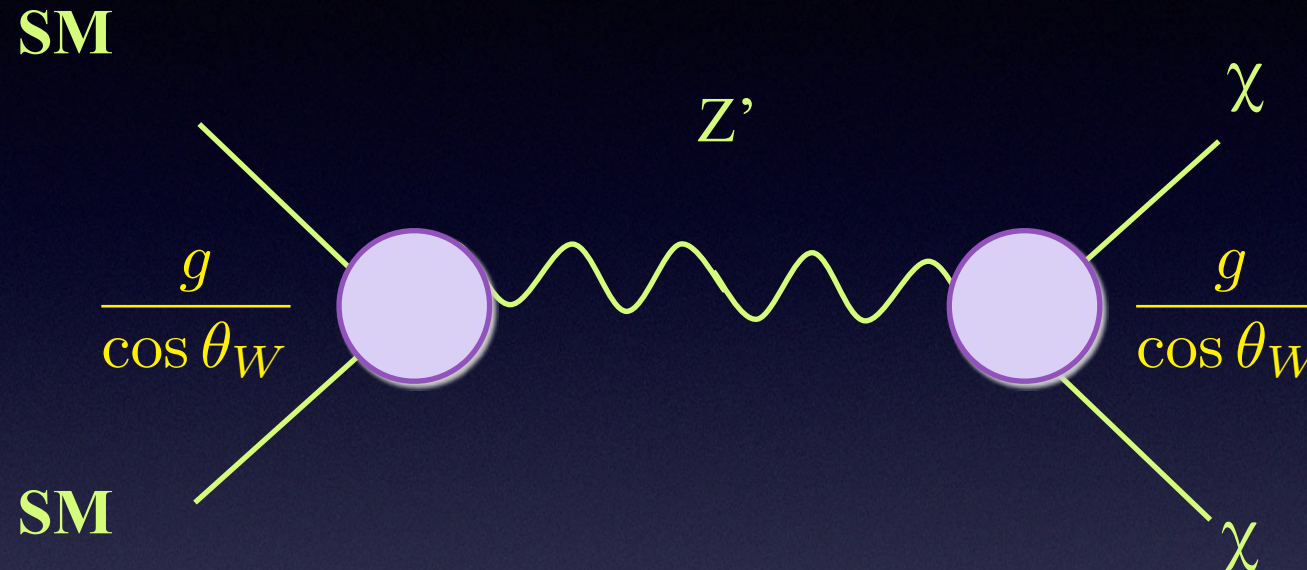
$$[\gamma]_{\text{after}} = (2 + 7/8 \times 4)/2 = 11/4 [\gamma]_{\text{before}}$$

**11/4 compared to 3, not so much differences..**



# Application: the $Z'$ case

As a simple microscopic application, let suppose the case of an **intermediate gauge boson  $Z'$** , mediator between the thermal Standard Model bath (SM) and the Dark Matter (DM) of **mass  $m$** :



$$\sigma v = \left( \frac{g^4}{64\pi \cos^4 \theta_W} \right) \frac{m^2}{(s - M_{Z'}^2)^2 + \Gamma_{Z'}^2 M_{Z'}^2}$$

## 3 regimes

- 1)  $m \ll T_{\text{decoupling}}$ : relativistic case,  $\Omega \sim m$
- 2)  $T_{\text{decoupling}} \ll m \ll M_{Z'}$ ,  $\sigma \sim m^2/(M_{Z'})^4 \Rightarrow \Omega \sim (M_{Z'})^4/m^2$
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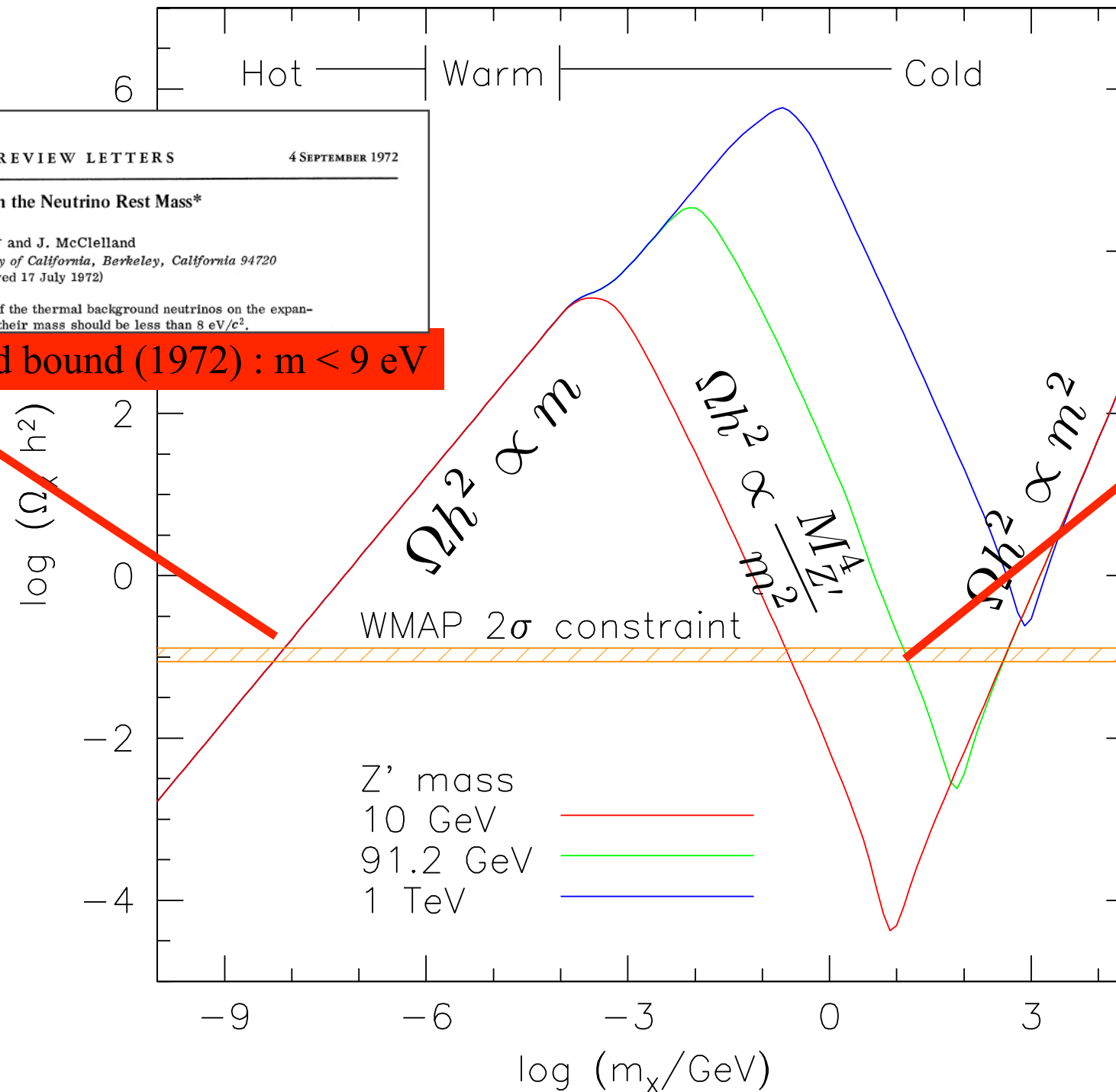
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## An Upper Limit on the Neutrino Rest Mass\*

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In order that the effect of gravitation of the thermal background neutrinos on the expansion of the universe not be too severe, their mass should be less than  $8 \text{ eV}/c^2$ .

Cowsik-McClelland bound (1972) :  $m < 9 \text{ eV}$



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### Cosmological Lower Bound on Heavy-Neutrino Masses

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The present cosmic mass density of possible stable neutral heavy leptons is calculated in a standard cosmological model. In order for this density not to exceed the upper limit of  $2 \times 10^{-29} \text{ g/cm}^3$ , the lepton mass would have to be smaller than a lower bound of the

Lee-Weinberg bound (1977) :  
 $m > 2 \text{ GeV}$



# Unitarity limit

## Unitarity Limits on the Mass and Radius of Dark-Matter Particles

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Using partial-wave unitarity and the observed density of the Universe, we show that a stable elementary particle which was once in thermal equilibrium cannot have a mass greater than 340 TeV. An extended object which was once in thermal equilibrium cannot have a radius less than  $7.5 \times 10^{-16}$  fm. A lower limit to the relic abundance of such particles is also found.

### Boltzmann

$$\Omega_X h^2 = \frac{1.07 \times 10^9 (n+1) x_f^{n+1} \text{ GeV}^{-1}}{g_*^{1/2} m_{\text{Pl}} \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_f}$$

$$\approx \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}}{\langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_f},$$

+

### Unitarity

$$(\sigma_J)_{\text{max}} v_{\text{rel}} \approx \frac{4\pi(2J+1)}{m_X^2 v_{\text{rel}}}$$

$$\approx \frac{3 \times 10^{-22} (2J+1) \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}}{[m_X/(1 \text{ TeV})]^2}.$$

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### Overclosure

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Unitarity bound

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**BUT thermal production has been imposed  
(FIMP or WIMPZILLA do not enter in this game)**



# Problem of hot dark matter: the formation of large structures

## book 2.8.3

A particle when decoupled while relativistic (« hot ») collisionless will have tendency to stream out from overdense region into underdense region, smoothing out in the process inhomogenities. One should then compute its free-streaming path, and check that it is lower than the size of proto-galaxies (~Megaparsec)

$$\lambda_{FS}(t) = \int_0^t dr = \int_0^t \frac{v(t')}{a(t')} dt'$$

- Between  $t = 0$  and  $t = t_{nr}$ , the neutrino is relativistic and thus  $v = c$  and the expansion factor is proportional to  $t^{1/2}$  [Eq.(B.16)],  $a(t) = \alpha t^{1/2}$

$$\lambda_{FS}^{0-nr}(t) = \int_0^t \frac{dt'}{a(t')} = \frac{2}{\alpha} t^{1/2} = 2 \frac{a(t)t_{nr}}{a_{nr}^2} \quad [0 < t < t_{nr}]. \quad (2.204)$$

- Between  $t_{nr}$  and  $t_{EQ}$ , the velocity of the particle  $v(t)$  is proportional to  $a^{-1}(t)$  by redshift, which means  $v(t) = c \frac{a_{nr}}{a(t)} = \frac{a_{nr}}{a(t)}$  which gives

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{FS}^{nr-EQ}(t) - \lambda_{FS}^{nr-EQ}(t_{nr}) &= \lambda_{FS}^{nr-EQ}(t) - \lambda_{FS}^{0-nr}(t_{nr}) = \int_{t_{nr}}^t \frac{a_{nr} dt'}{a^2(t')} = \frac{t_{nr}}{a_{nr}} \ln \left( \frac{t}{t_{nr}} \right) \\ \Rightarrow \lambda_{FS}^{nr-EQ}(t) &= 2 \frac{t_{nr}}{a_{nr}} + 2 \frac{t_{nr}}{a_{nr}} \ln \left( \frac{a(t)}{a_{nr}} \right) = 2 \frac{t_{nr}}{a_{nr}} \left[ 1 + \ln \left( \frac{a(t)}{a_{nr}} \right) \right] \quad [t_{nr} < t < t_{EQ}]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.205)$$

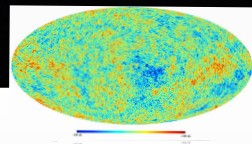
- Between  $t = t_{EQ}$  and  $t = t_0$  the dependance on the velocity is of course still redshifted, but the relation between time and scale factor from Eq.(B.16) is  $a(t) = \alpha t^{2/3}$ . Remarking  $t_{nr} = t_{EQ}(a_{nr}/a_{EQ})^2$  we then obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{FS}^{EQ-t_0}(t) &= \lambda_{FS}^{nr-EQ}(t_{EQ}) + a_{nr} \int_{t_{EQ}}^t \frac{dt'}{a^2(t')} = 2 \frac{t_{nr}}{a_{nr}} \left[ 1 + \ln \left( \frac{a_{EQ}}{a_{nr}} \right) \right] + \frac{3t_{nr}}{a_{nr}} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{a_{EQ}}{a(t)} \right)^{1/2} \right] \\ \Rightarrow \lambda_{FS}^{EQ-t_0}(t) &= \frac{2t_{nr}}{a_{nr}} \left[ \frac{5}{2} + \ln \left( \frac{a_{EQ}}{a_{nr}} \right) - \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{a_{EQ}}{a(t)} \right)^{1/2} \right] \quad [t_{EQ} < t < t_0]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.206)$$

$$\lambda_{FS}^{\infty} = \frac{M_P}{T_0 T_{nr}} \sqrt{\frac{45}{4\pi^3 g_\rho}} \left[ \frac{5}{2} + \ln \left( \frac{\rho_0^R T_{nr}}{\rho_0^M T_0} \right) \right] \approx 70 \text{ Mpc} \frac{1 \text{ eV}}{T_{nr}} \approx 210 \text{ Mpc} \frac{1 \text{ eV}}{m_\nu}$$

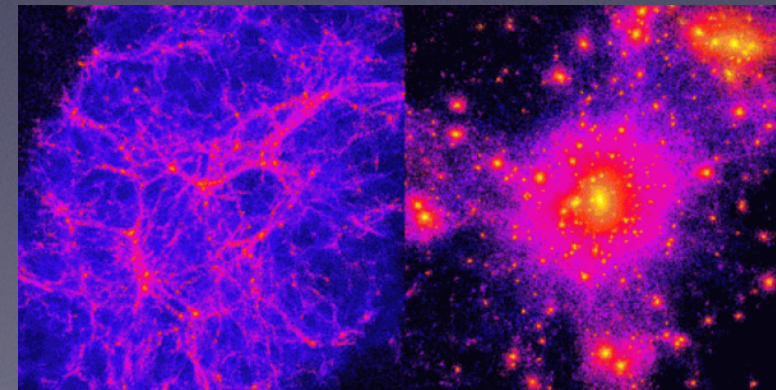
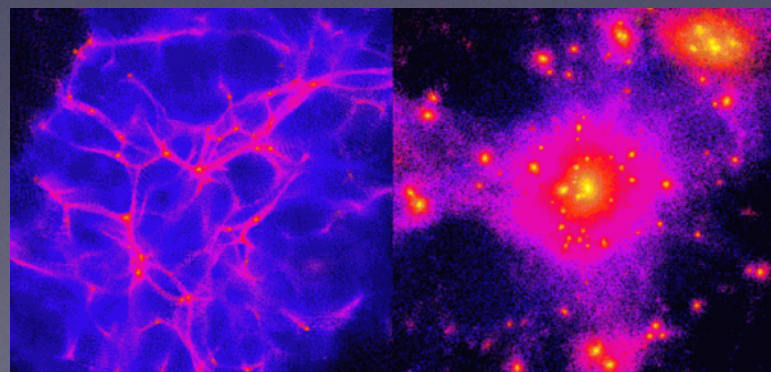
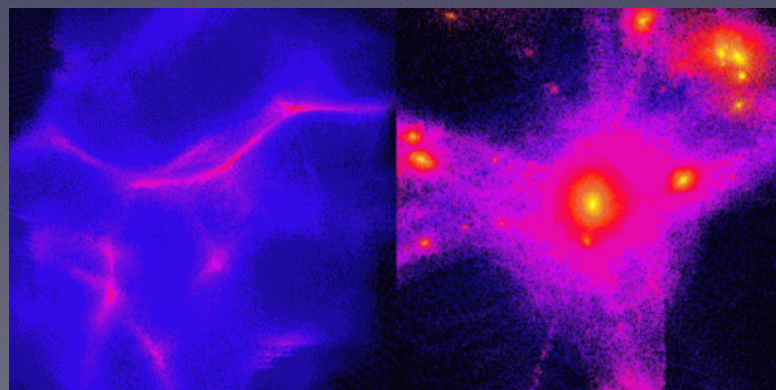
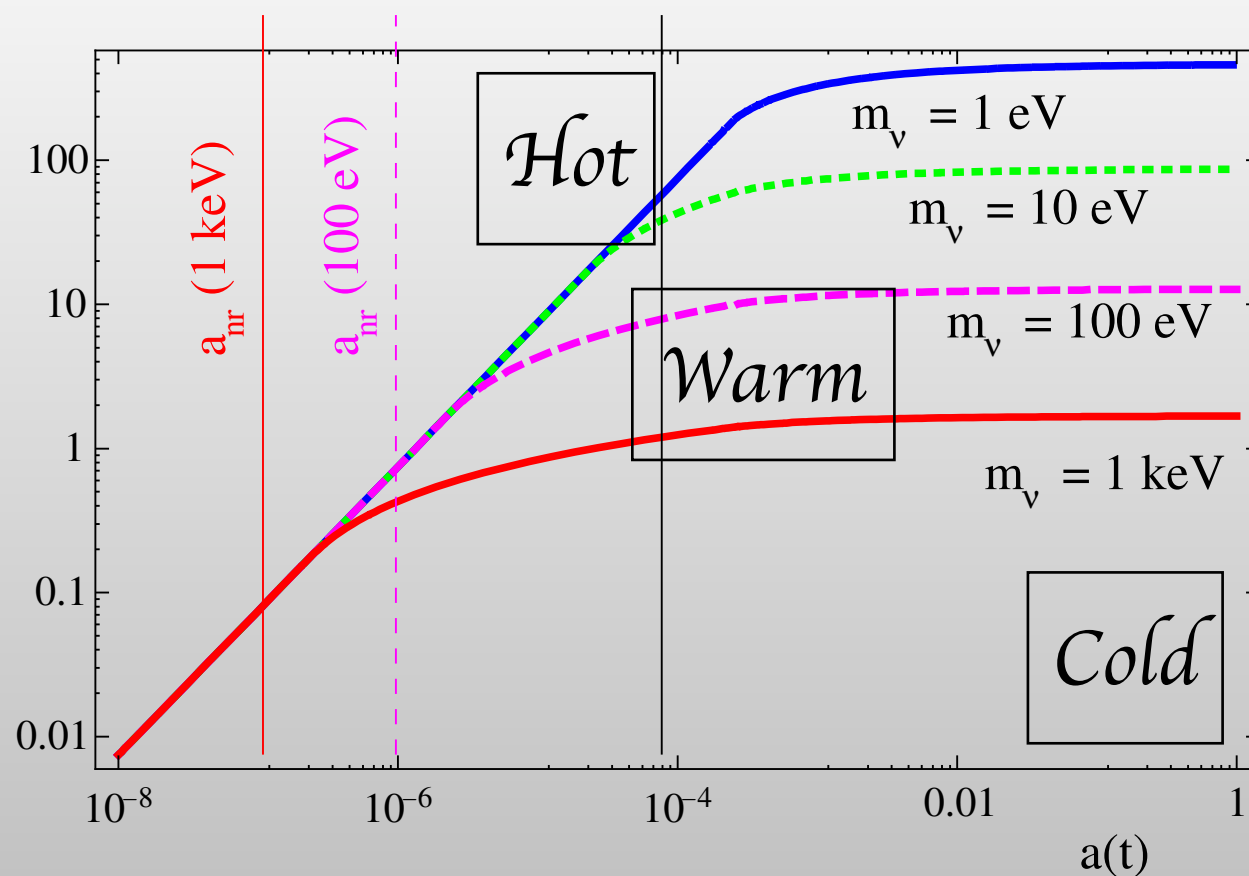


# The result



$\lambda_{\text{FS}}$  (Mpc)

$a_{\text{EQ}}$



Hot dark matter ( $\nu$ )

Warm dark matter ( $\nu_{\mathcal{R}}$ )

Cold dark matter



# Two exceptions to the Boltzmann equation

## The WIMPZILLA

or how to have the eyes bigger than the stomach

## The FIMP (Freeze In Massive Particle)

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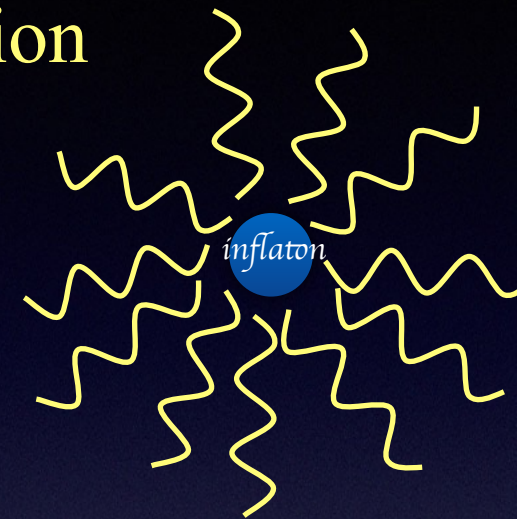
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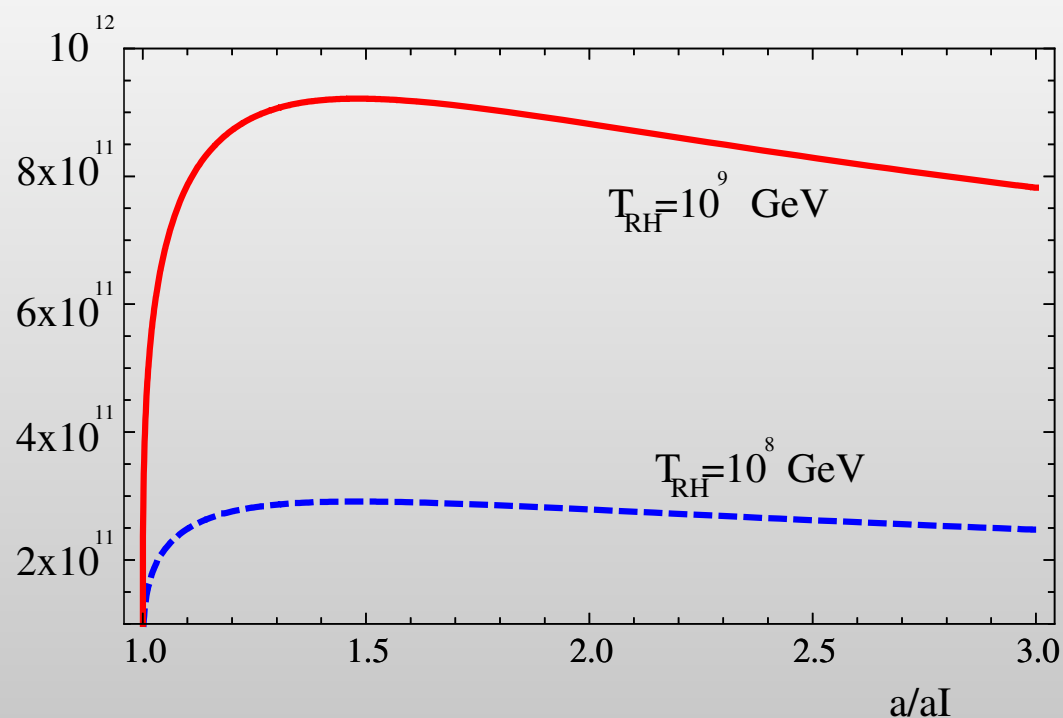
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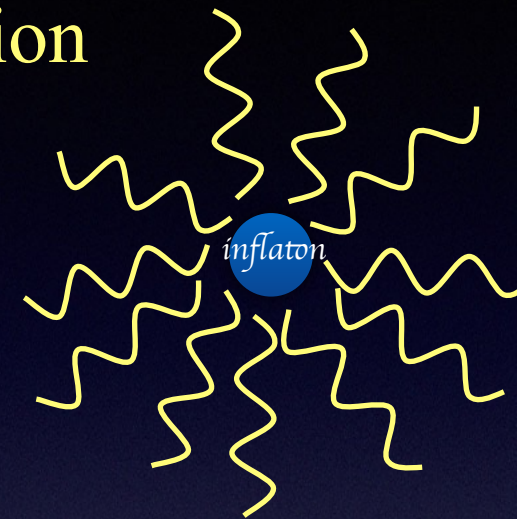
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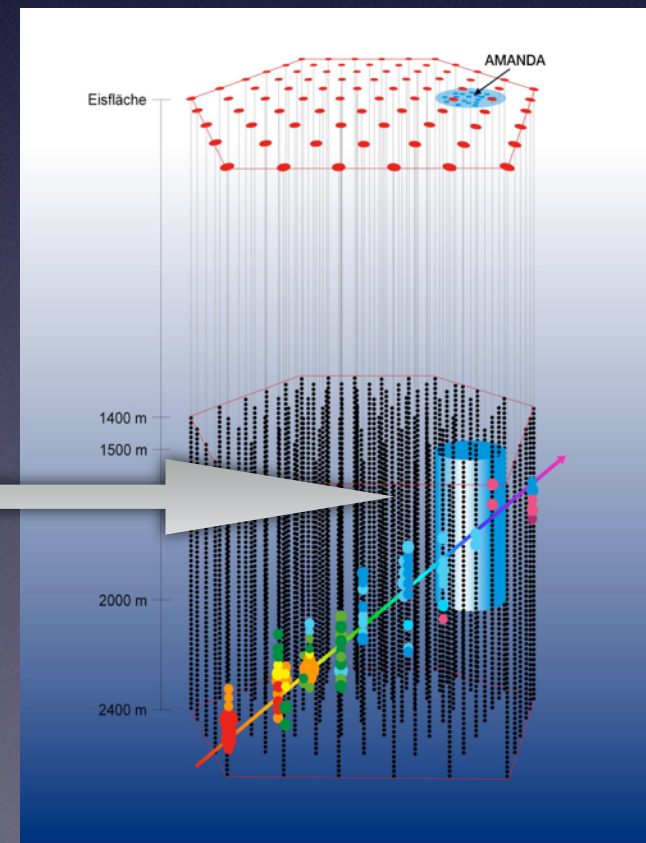
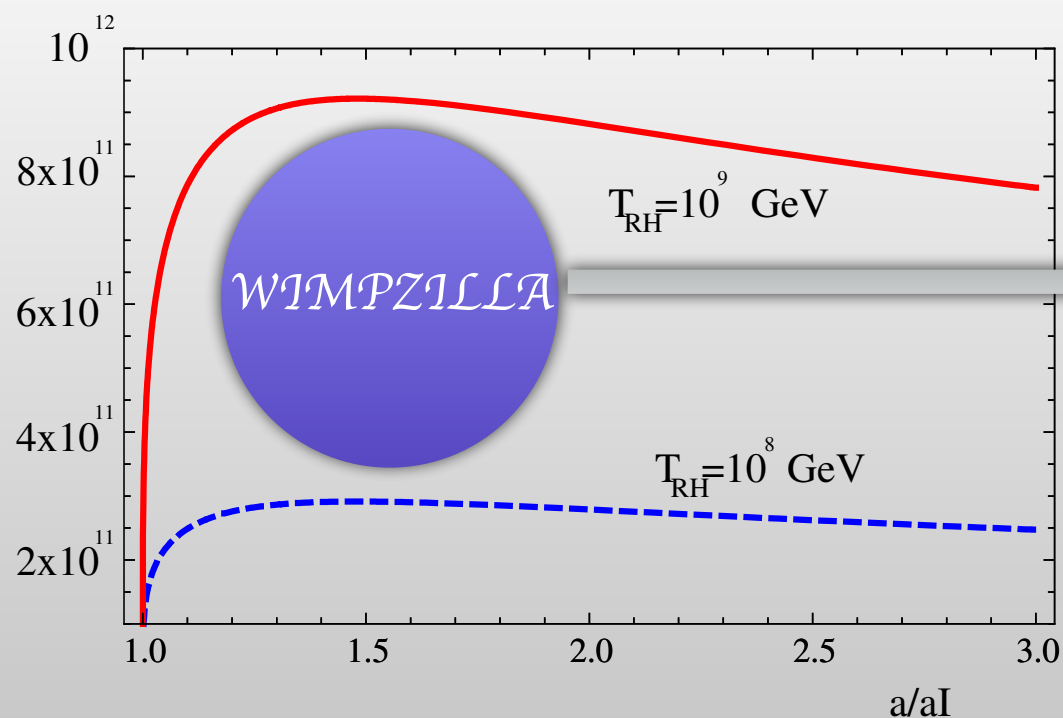
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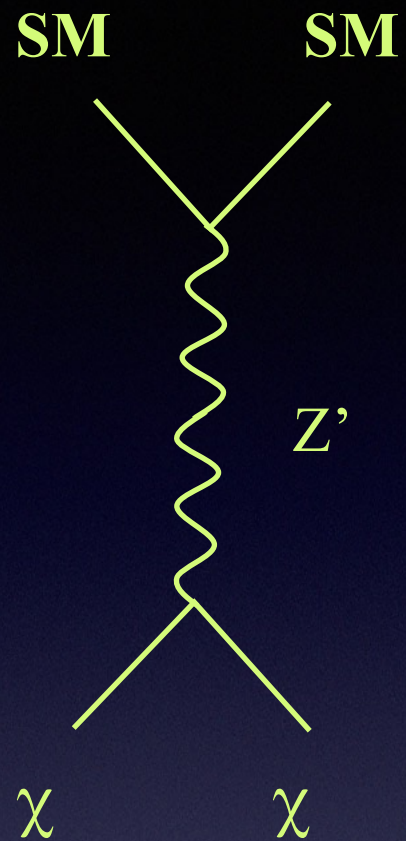


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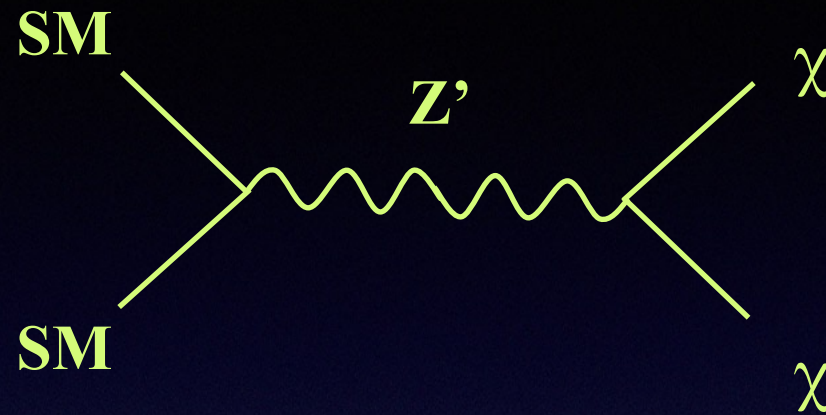


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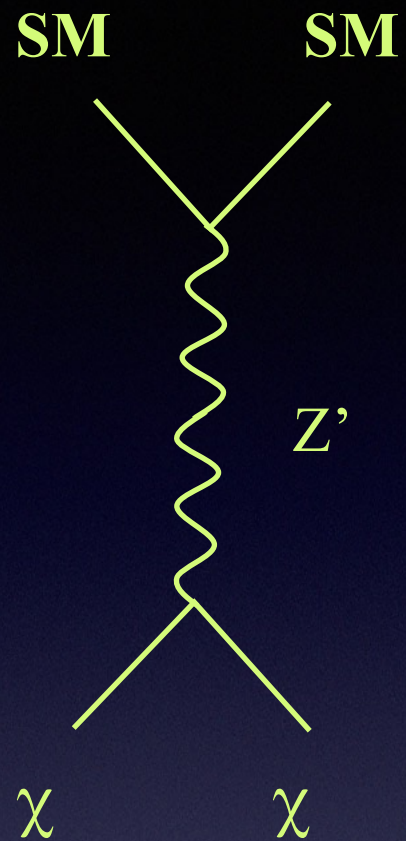
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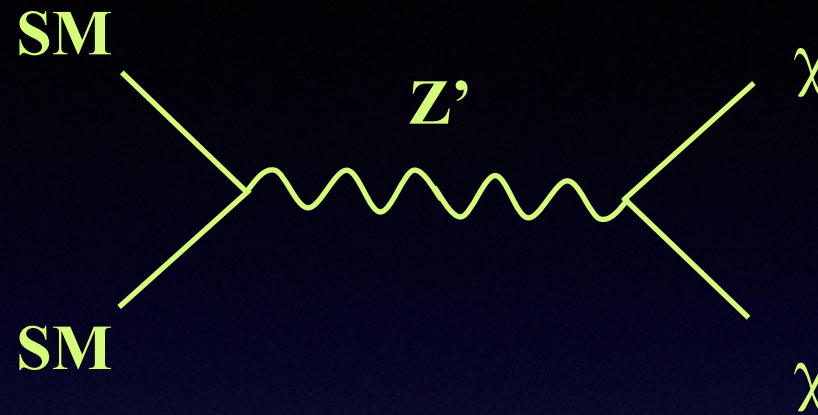


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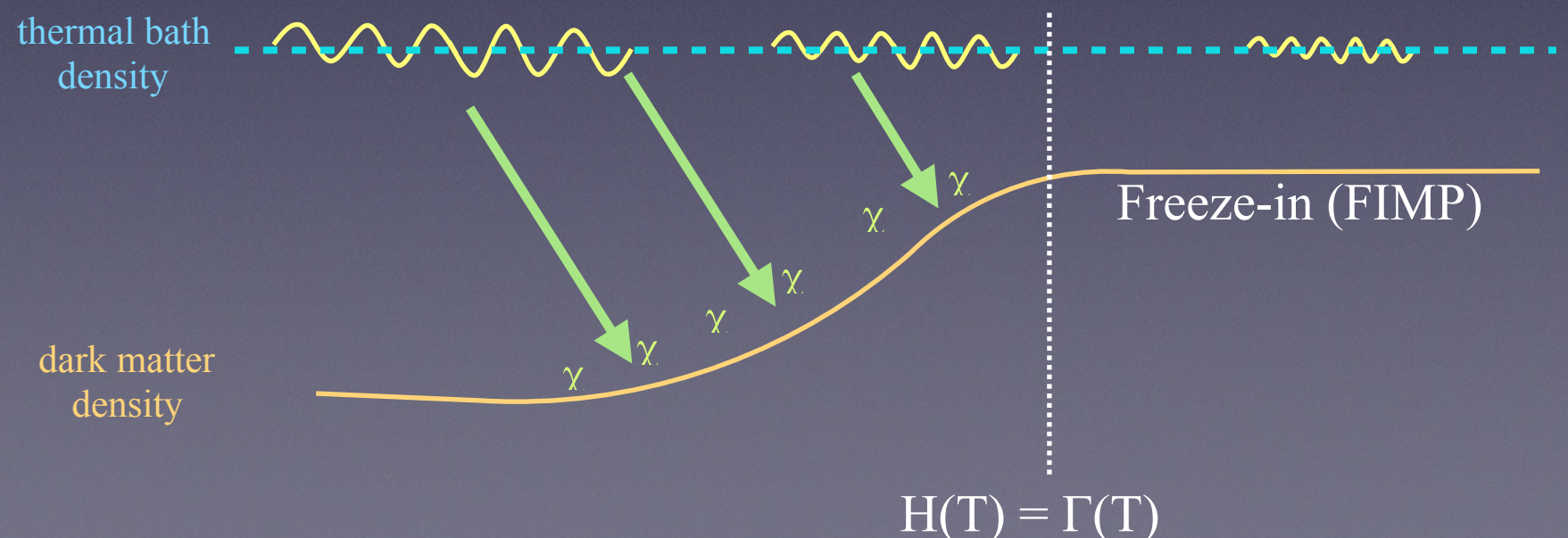


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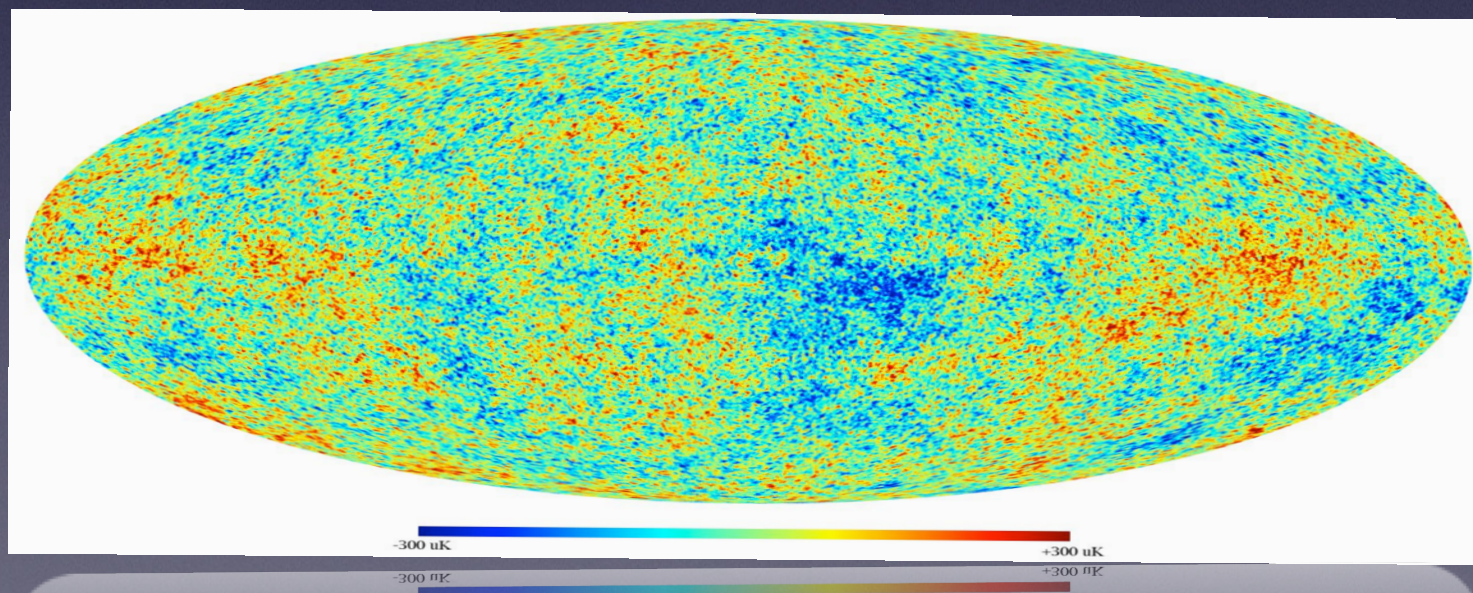
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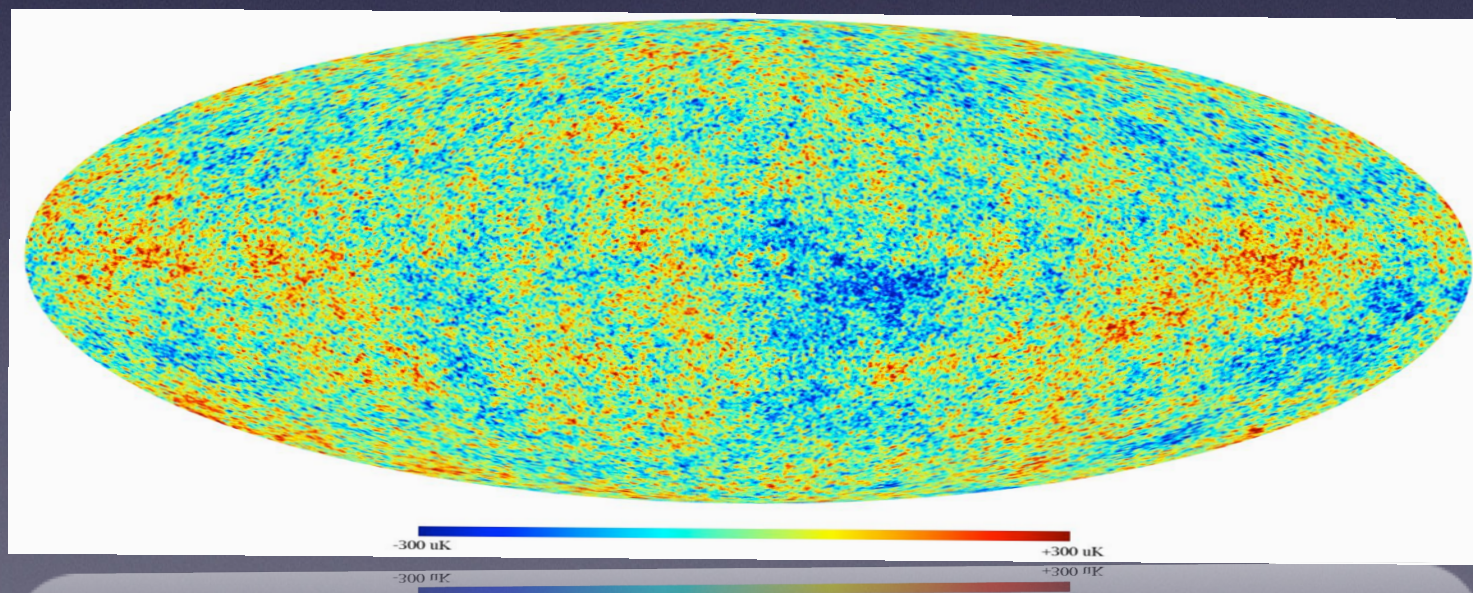




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# Formulae Latexit

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+ N_j \langle n_j \rangle \langle \sigma v \rangle_{j \rightarrow i}
\\
\mathrm{and \ from \ } N_i = n_i a^3
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\\
\frac{dn_i}{dt} = -3 H n_i - \langle n_i \rangle \langle \sigma v \rangle_{i \rightarrow j} \left[ n_i^2 - (n_i^{\mathrm{EQ}})^2 \right]

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# Summary

*The Universe reheats (waking up)*

*[WIMPZILLA]*

*Some dark matter particles leave the table early (breakfast)*

*[FIMP/E-WIMP]*

*Some are more talkative and stay until the (lunchtime)*

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*Some stay for the teatime snack*

*[Warm dark matter]*

*In any case, they should be present for the dinner*

*[Galactic detection]*



# The meaning of decoupling

The decoupling happens when the expansion rate dominates over the interaction rate:

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In one second, the Universe has doubled its size, but the thermal bath has produced less than 2 particles  $\chi$ : the  $\chi$  are diluted.  $T_d$  is called the decoupling temperature

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Decoupling of the dark matter:  $T_d = T_{\text{FO}}$  (freeze-out)

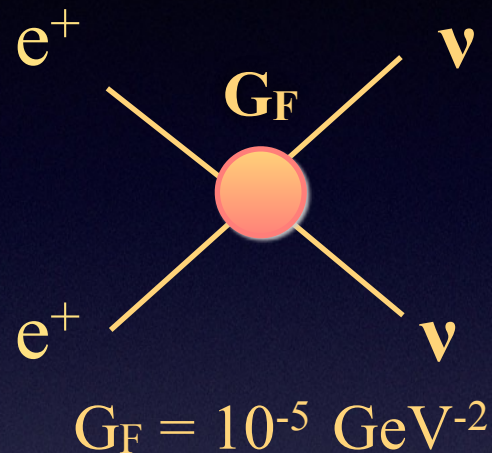
Decoupling of the atoms:  $T_d = T_{\text{rec}}$  (recombination/CMB)



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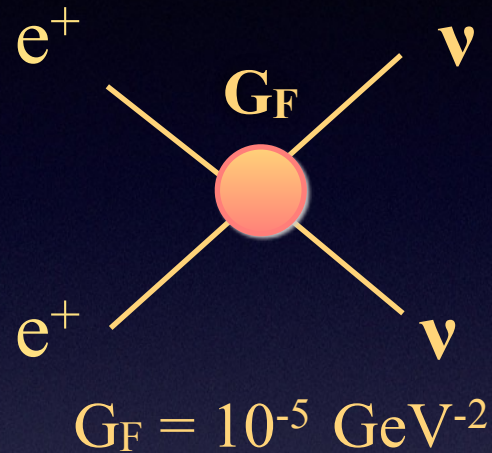
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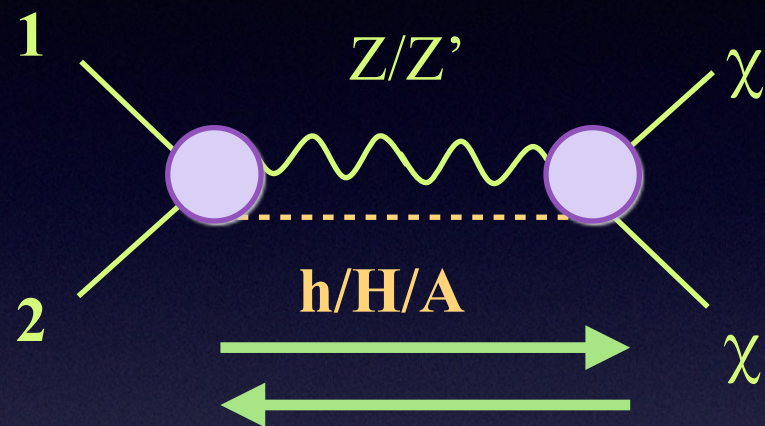
$T_\chi$  corresponds physically to the temperature under which the thermal bath does not have sufficient energy to produce a dark matter particle.



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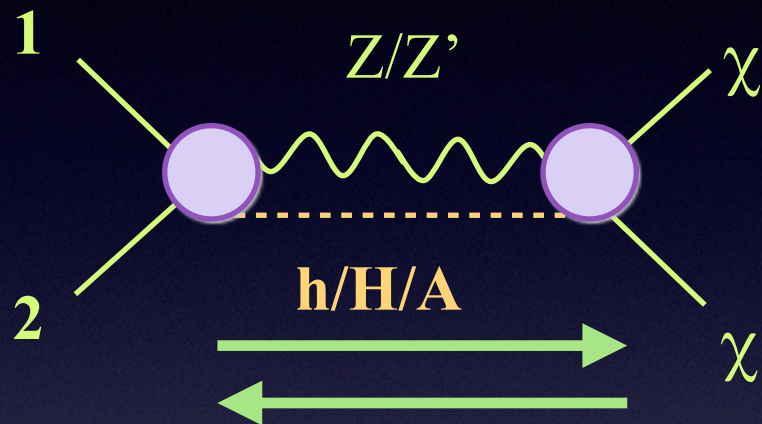
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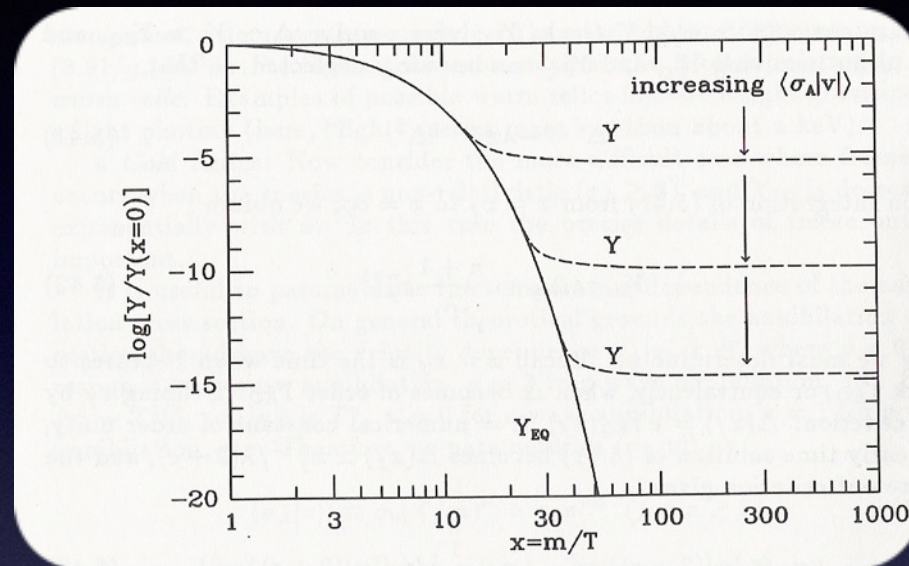
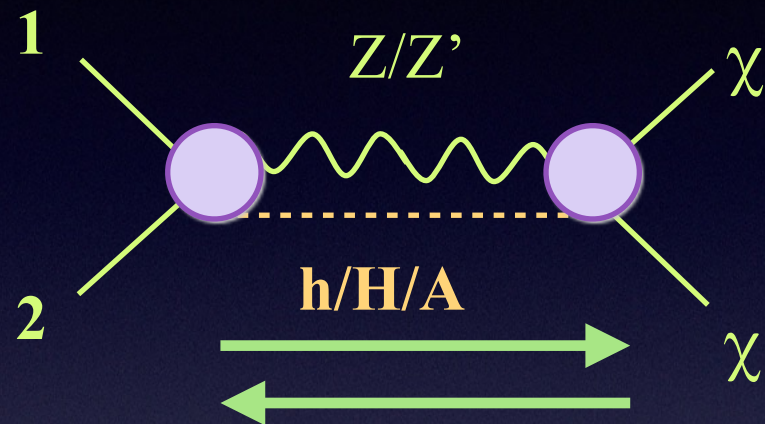
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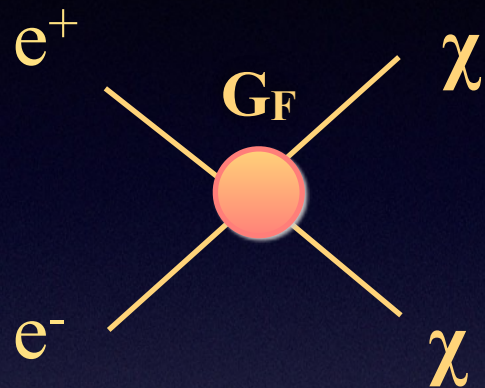
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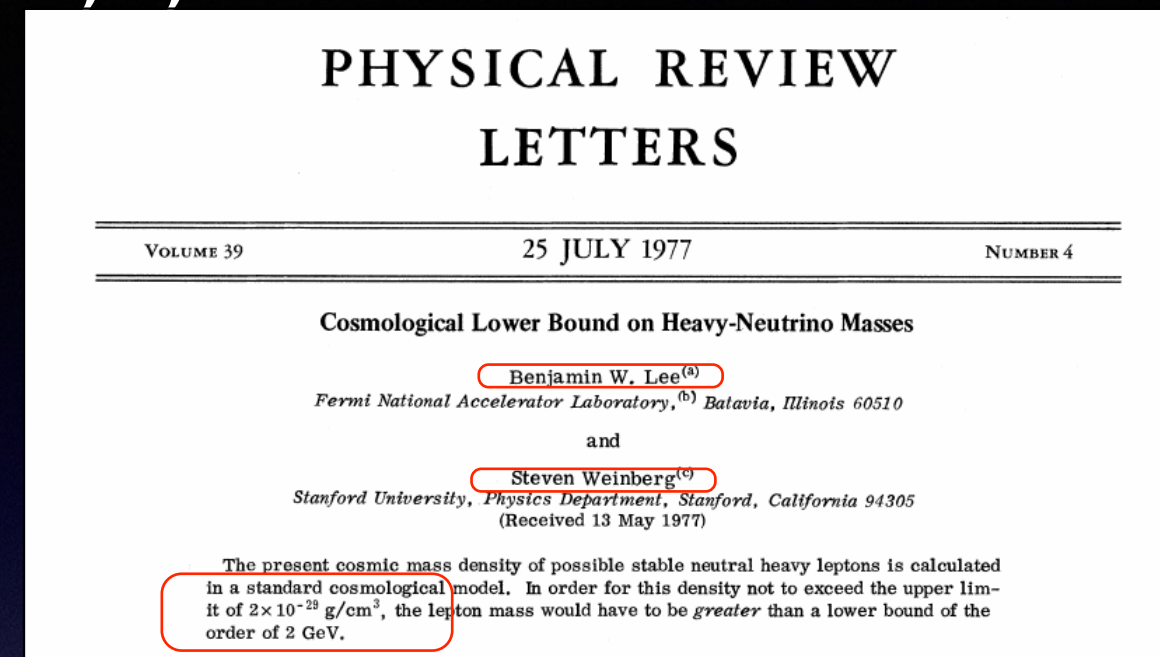


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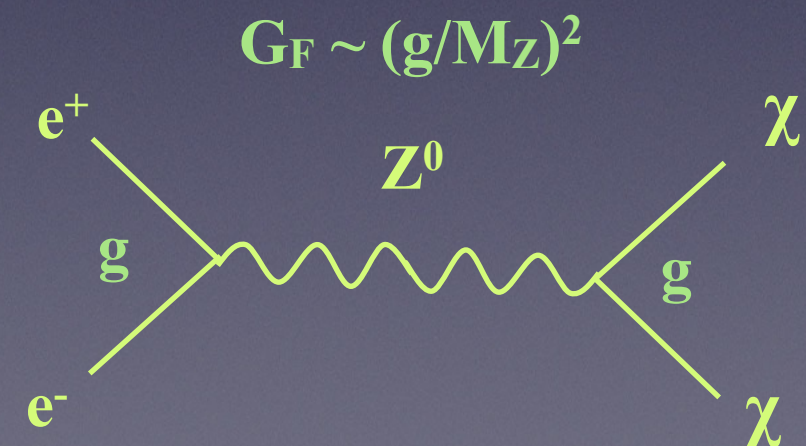


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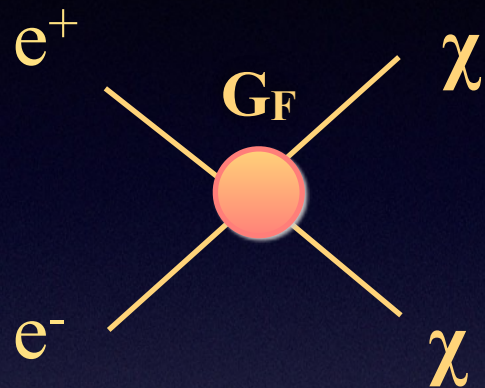
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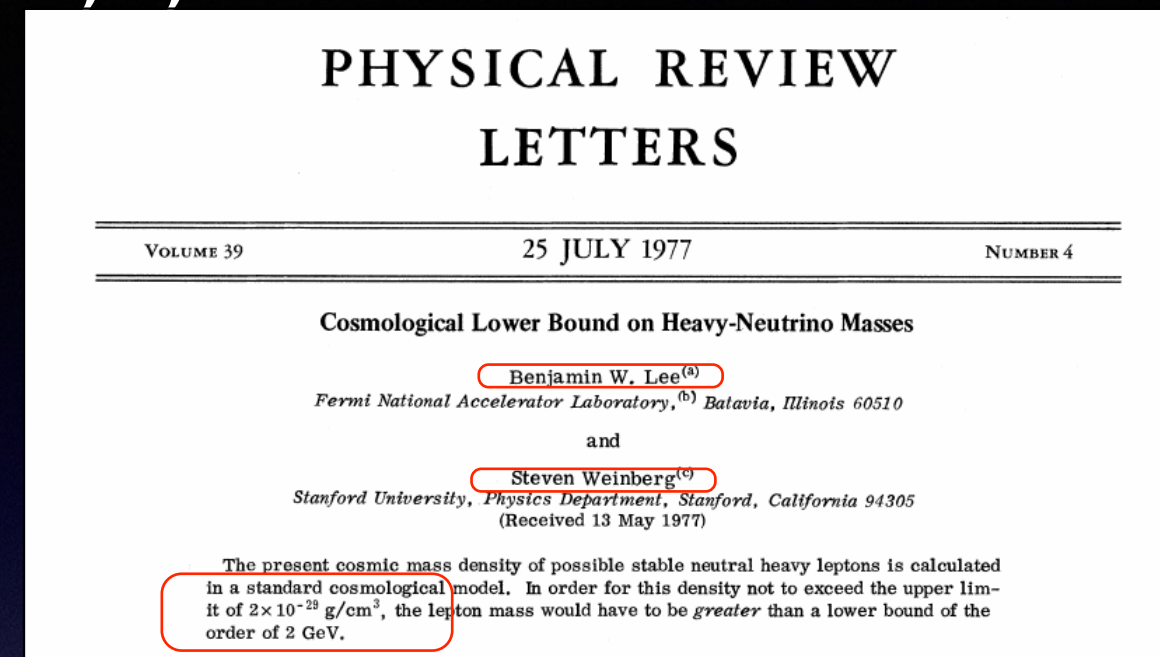


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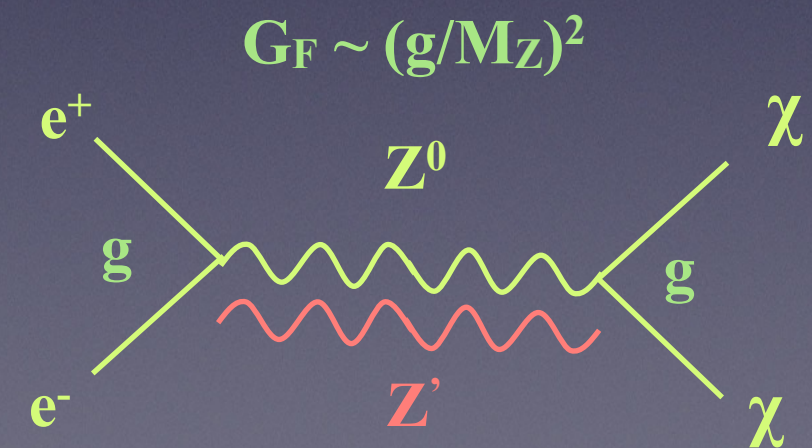


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