



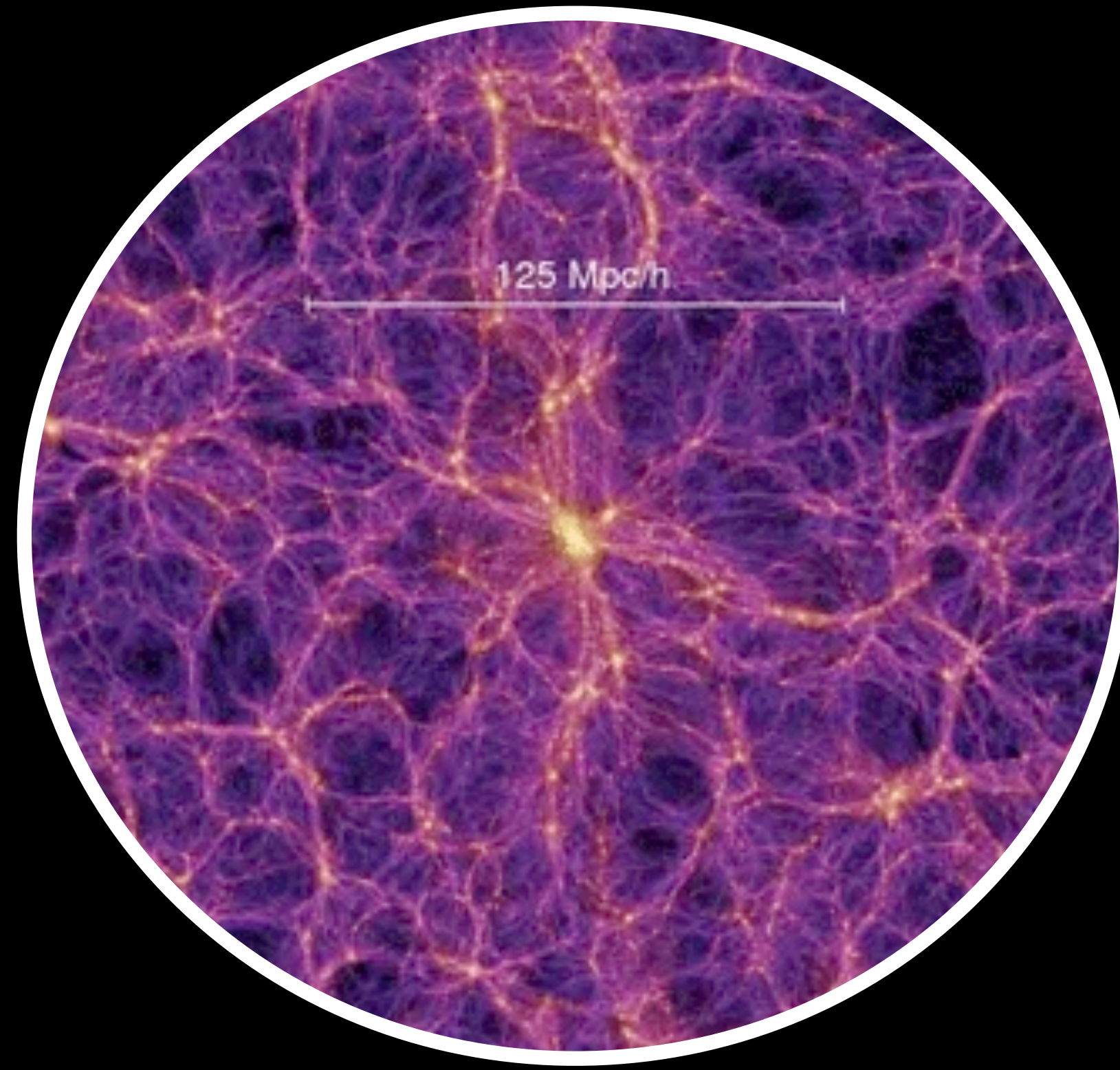
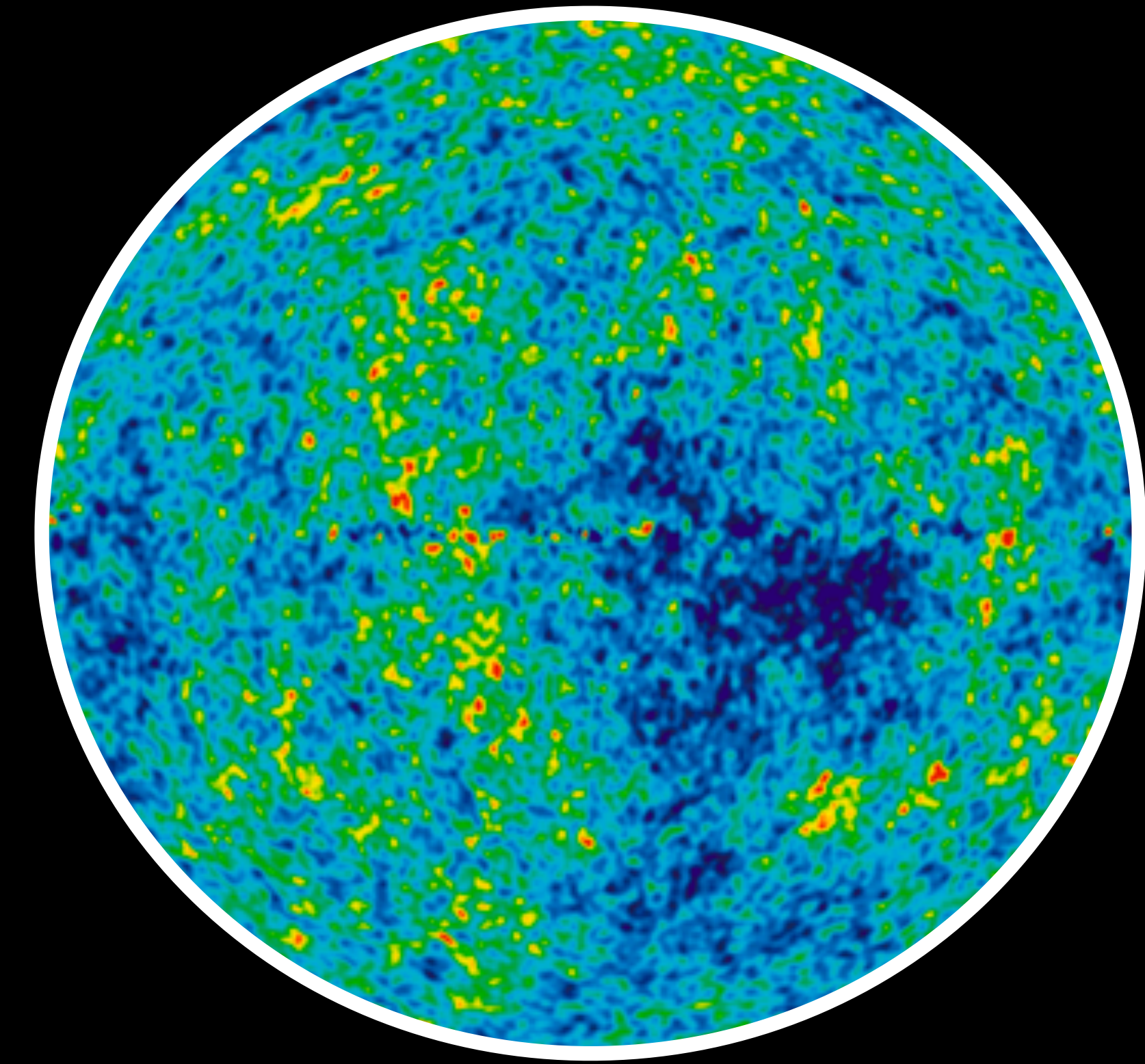
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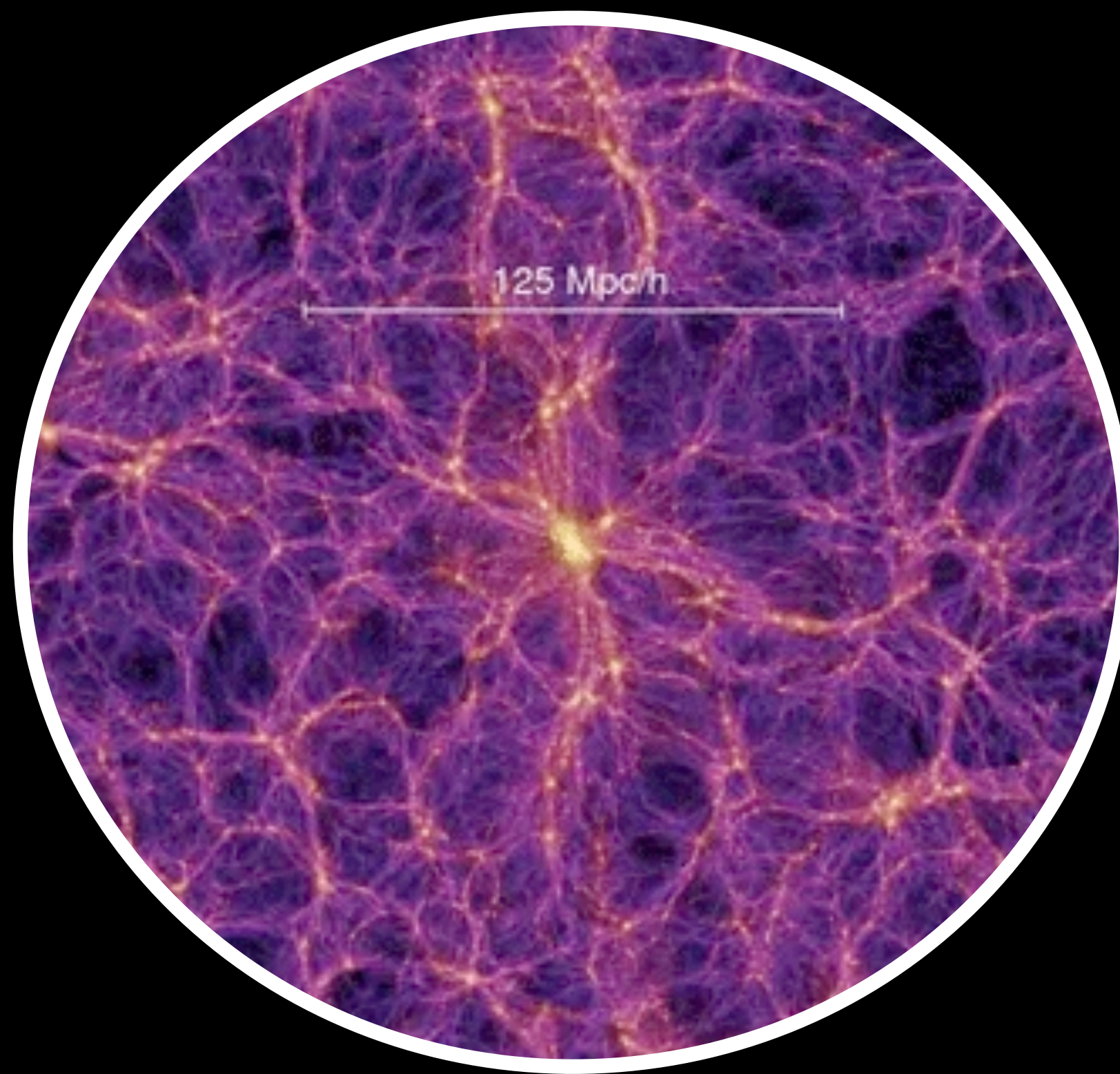
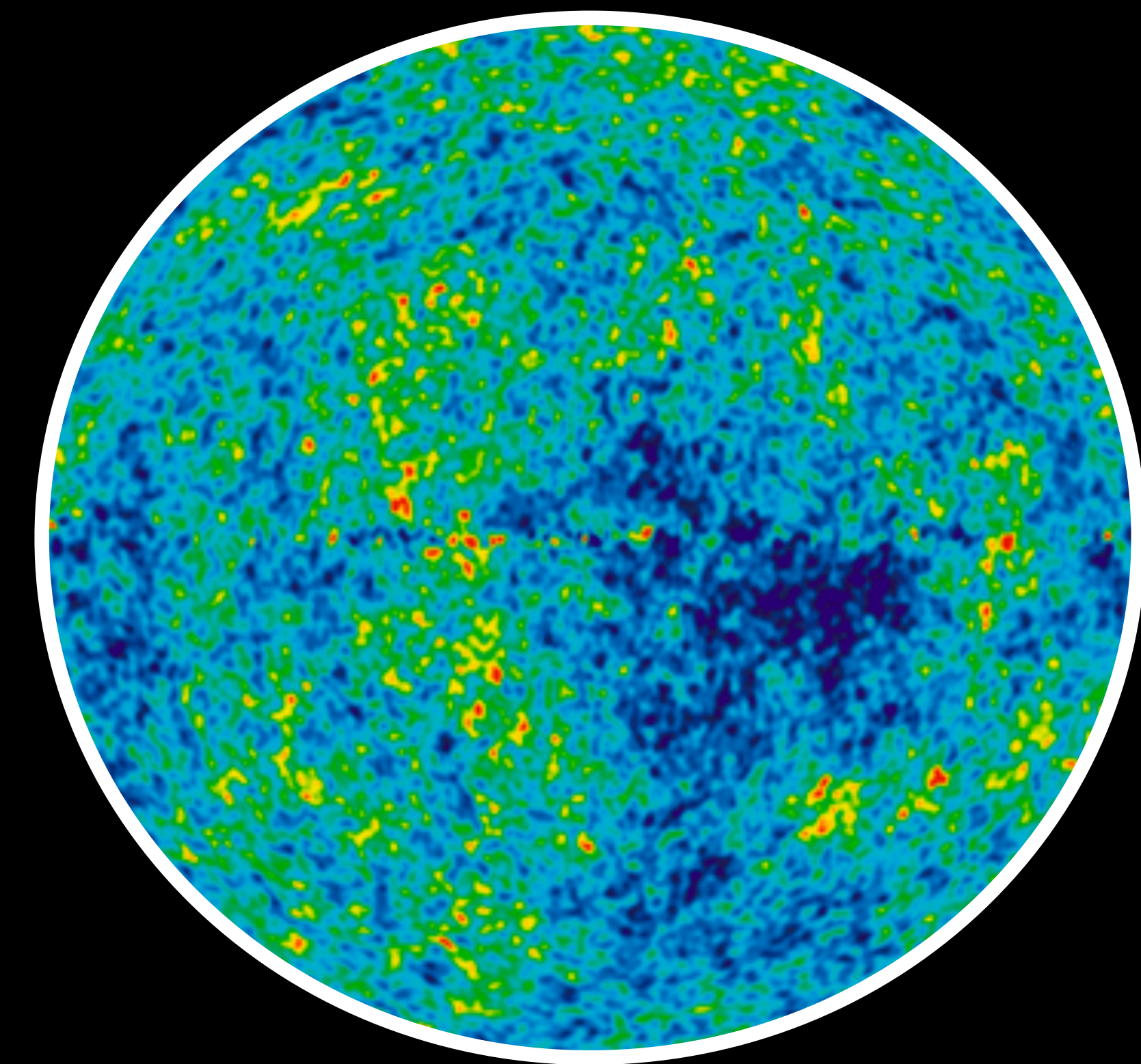


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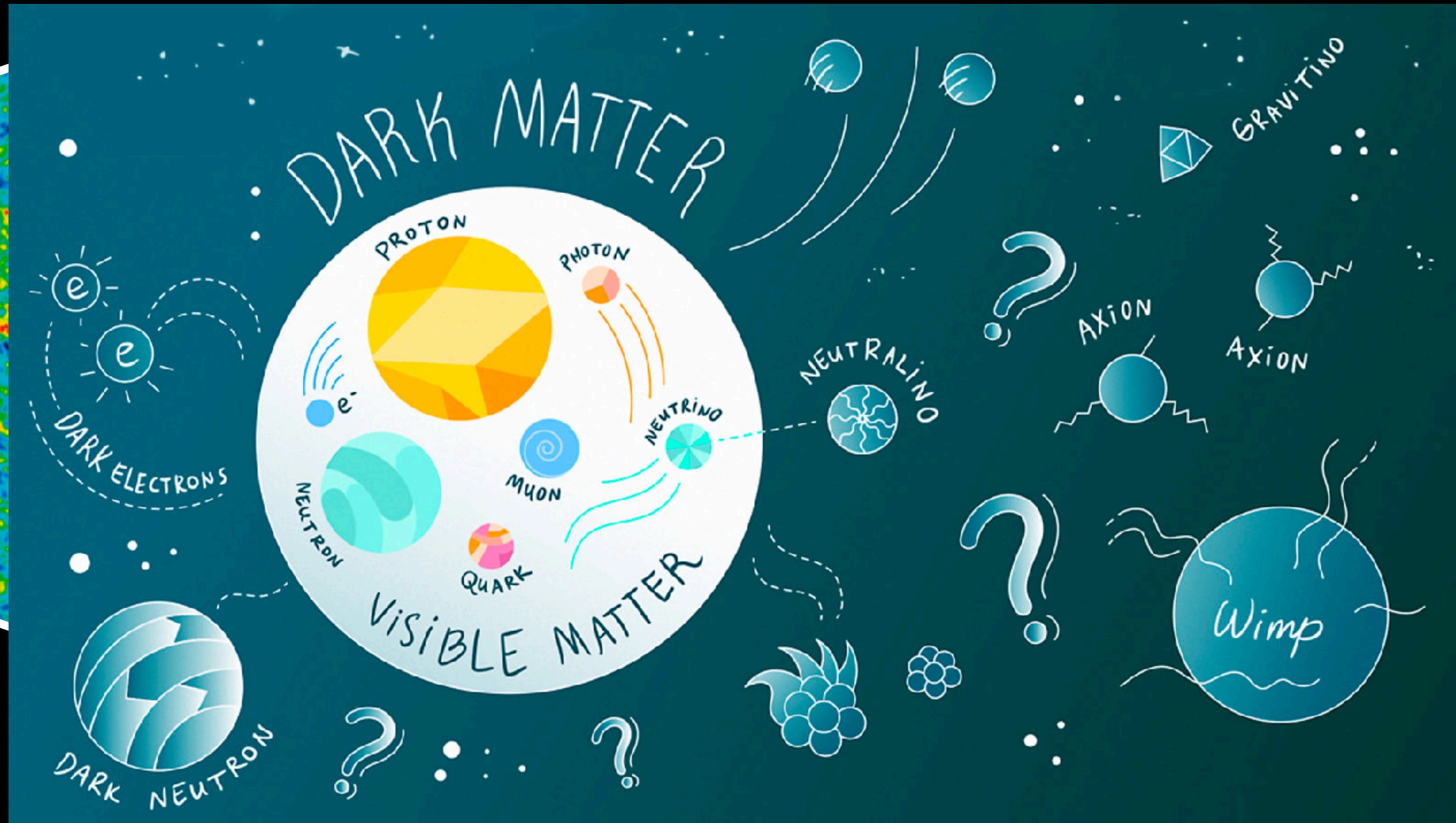


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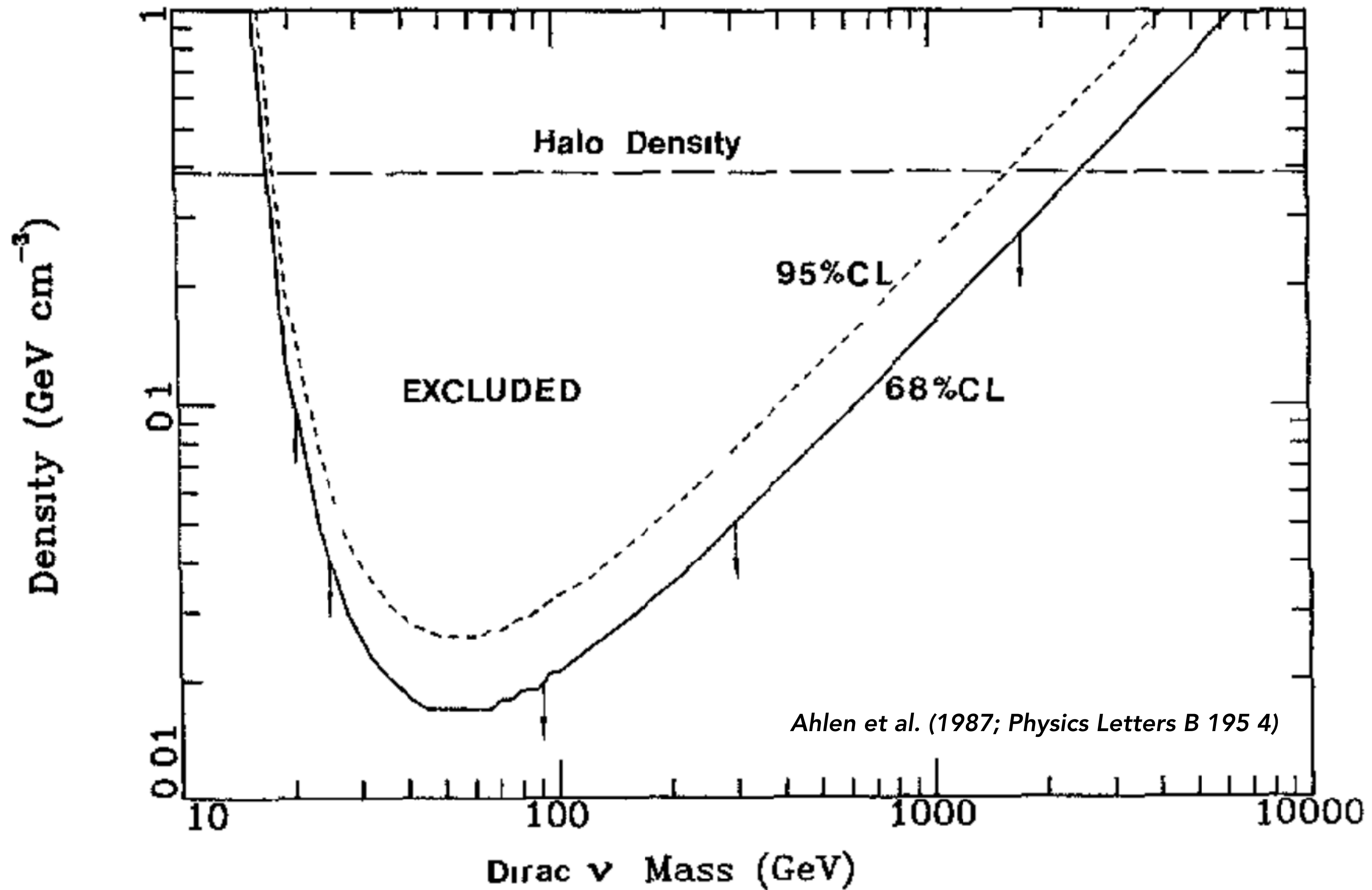
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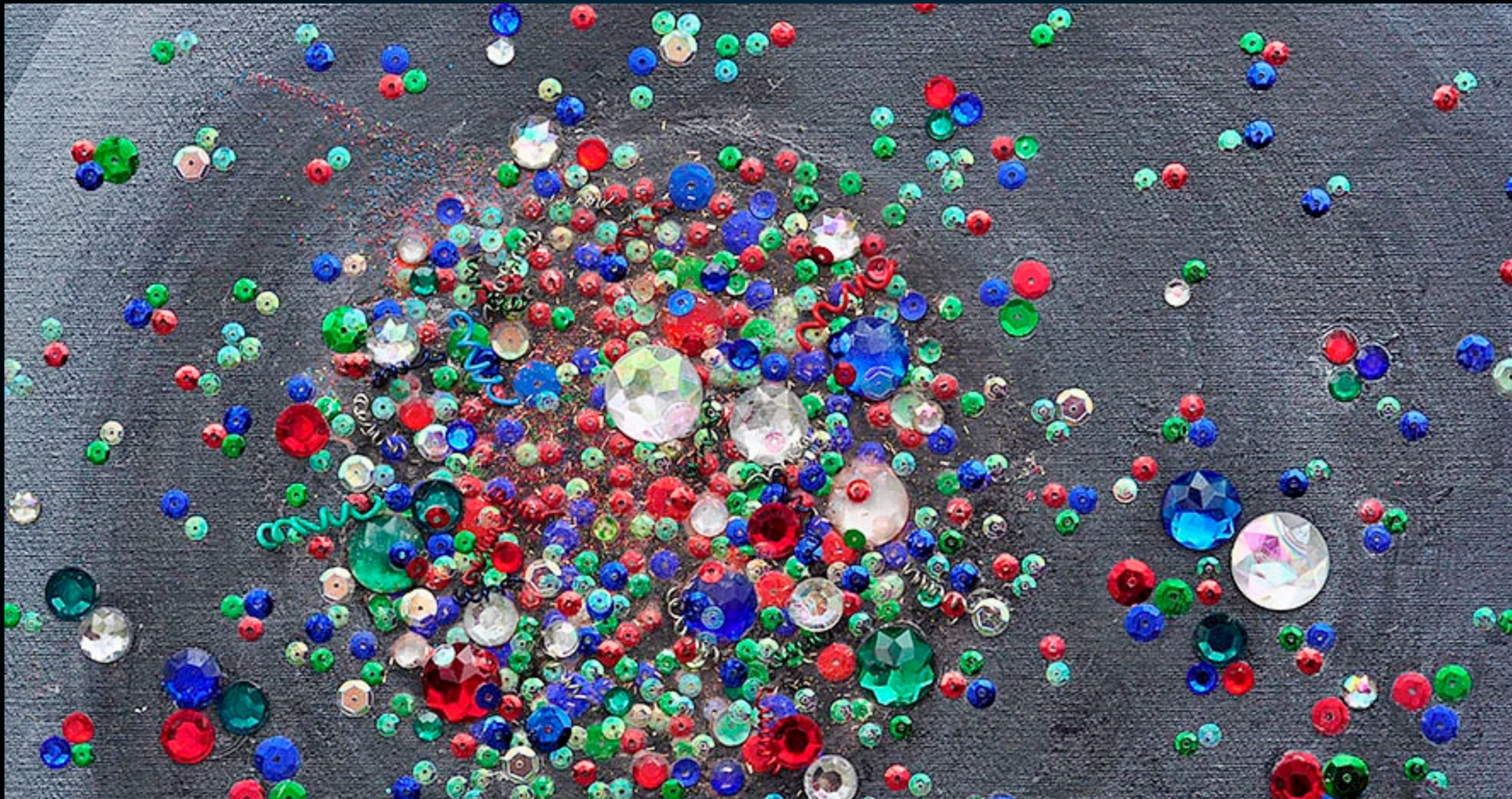
Can We Eliminate Classes of Dark Matter Models?

Yes!

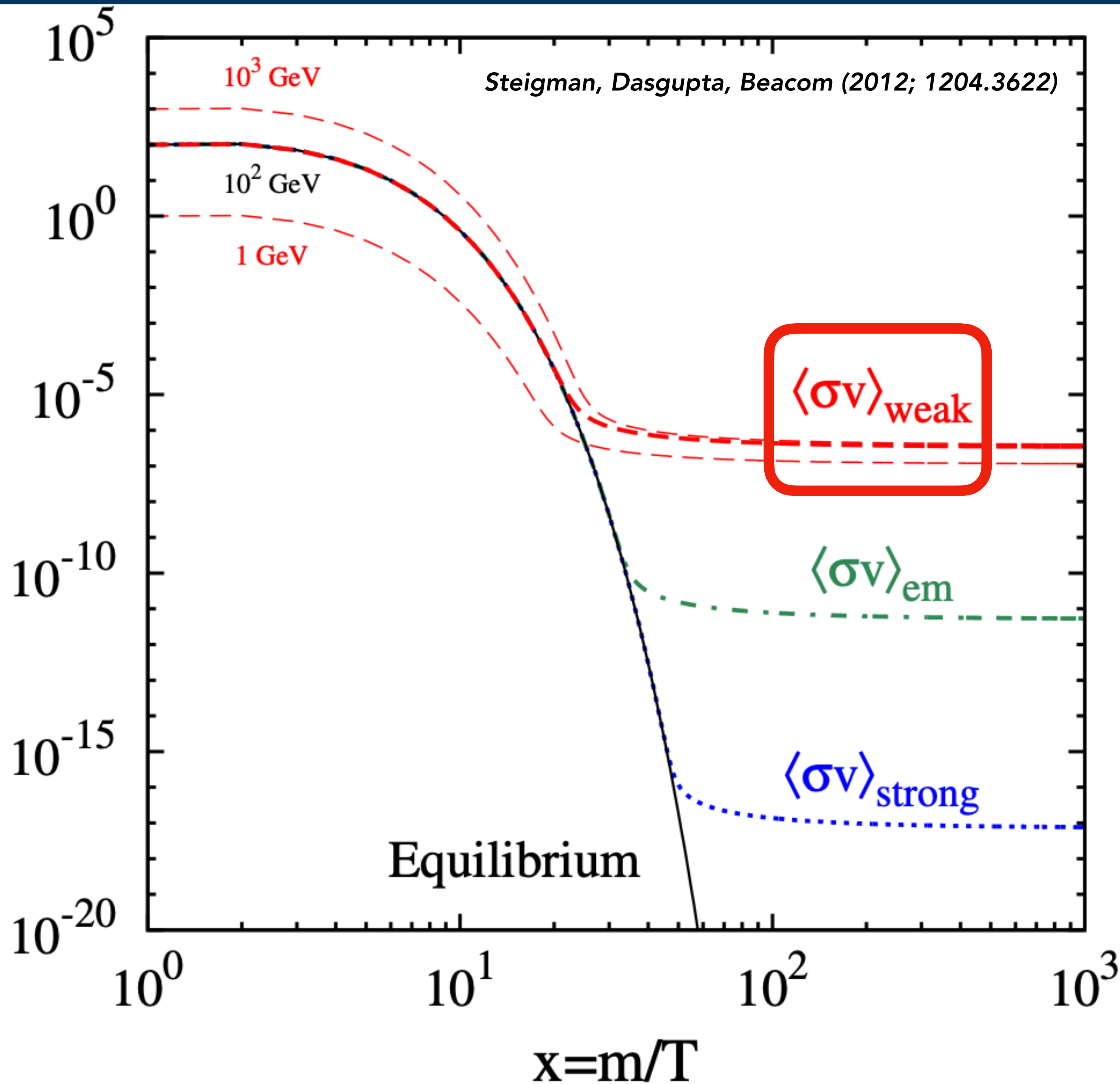


Thermal Dark Matter

artist: Sarah Szabo



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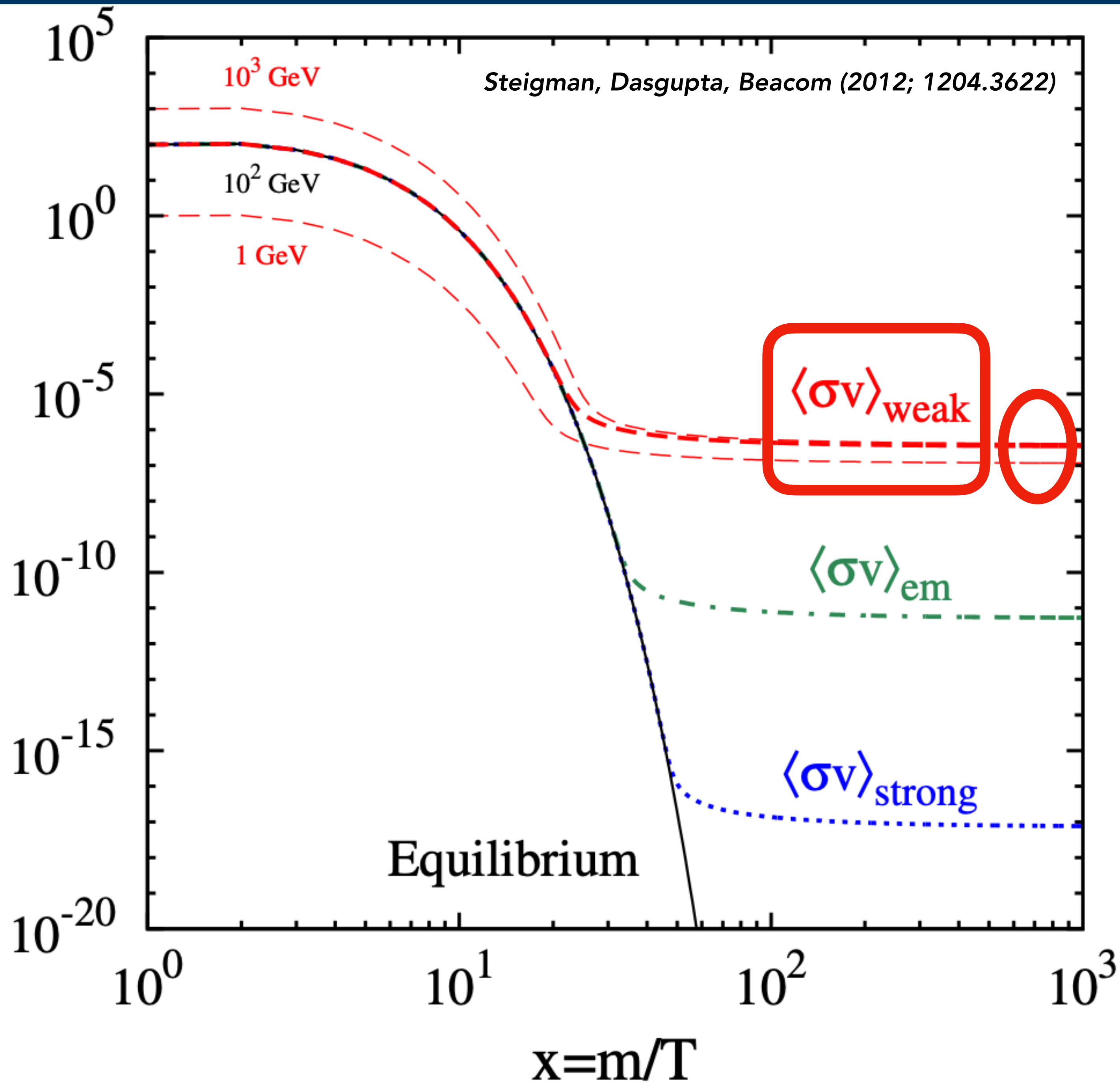
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The Big Bang

Recombination

The Dark Age

Formation of first astronomical object

Present day

Fully ionized

Neutralized

Reionization

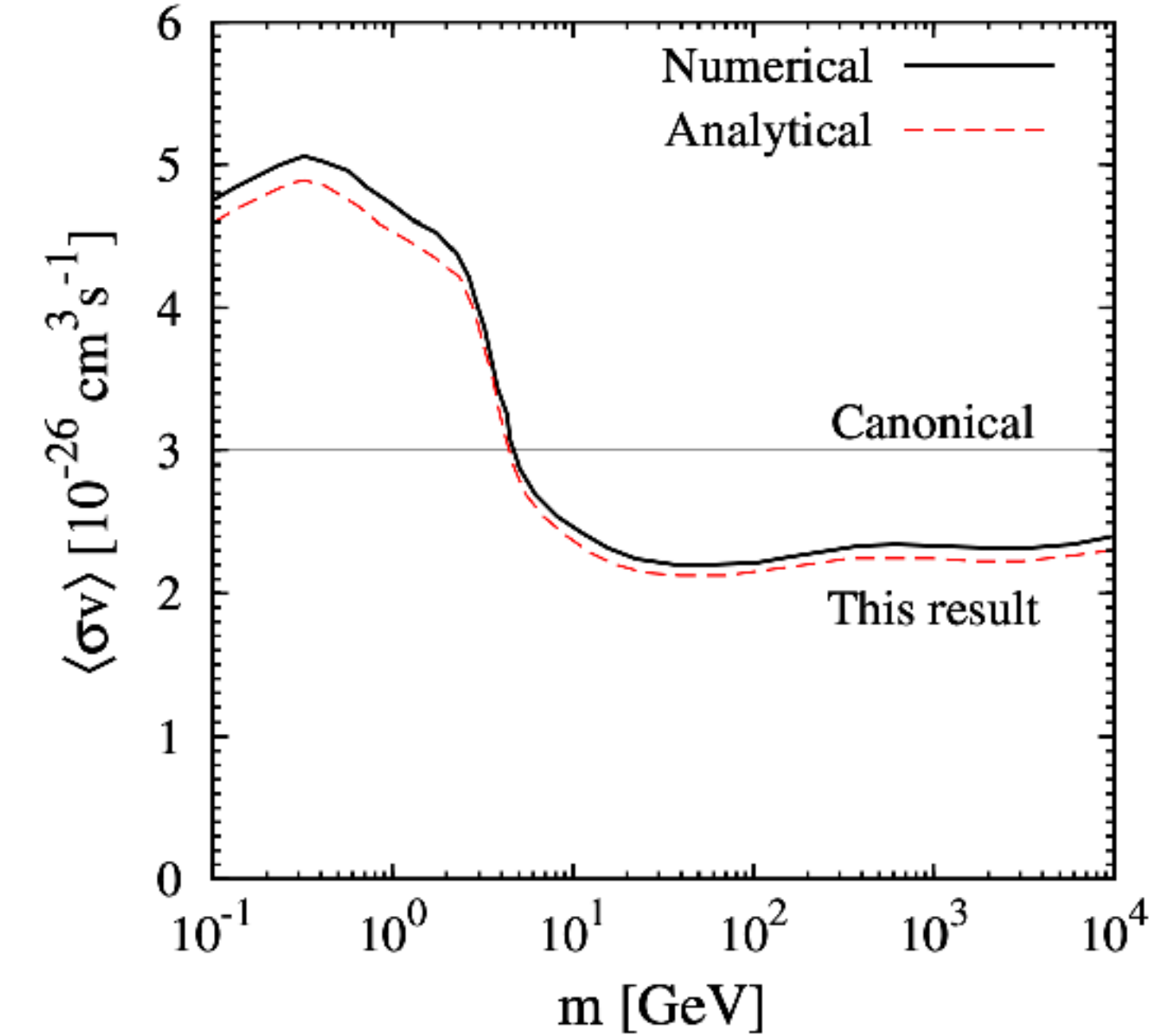
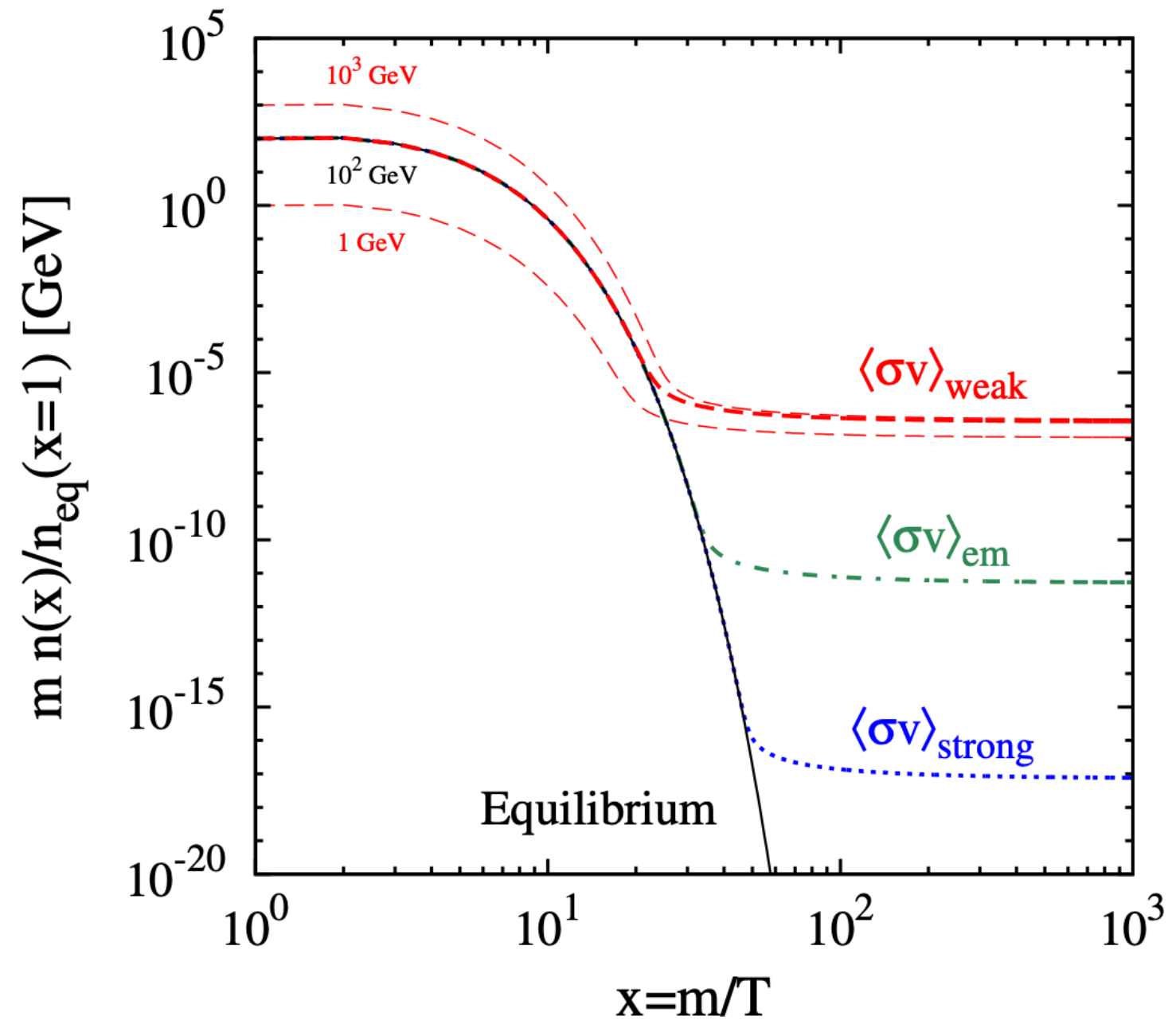
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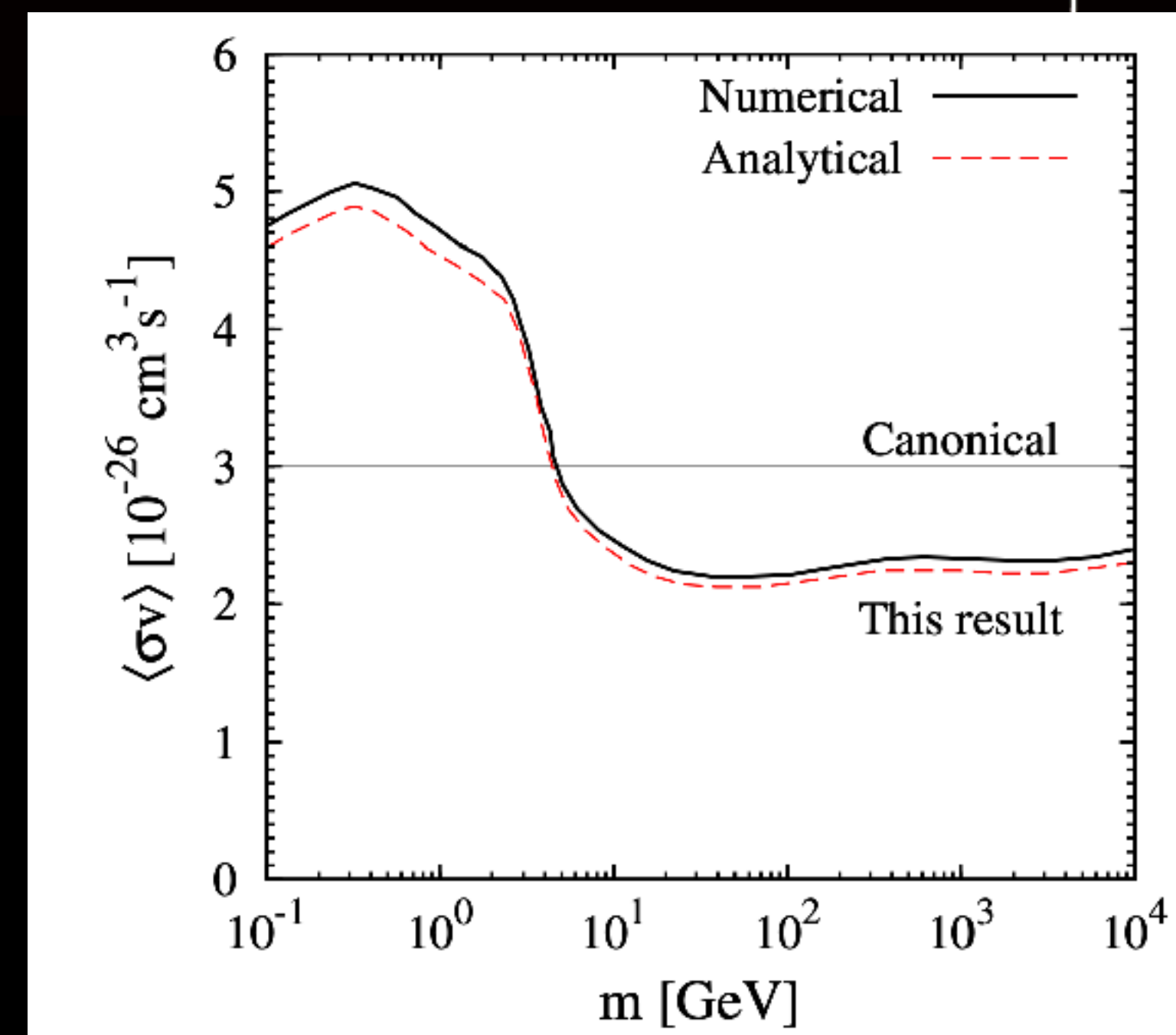
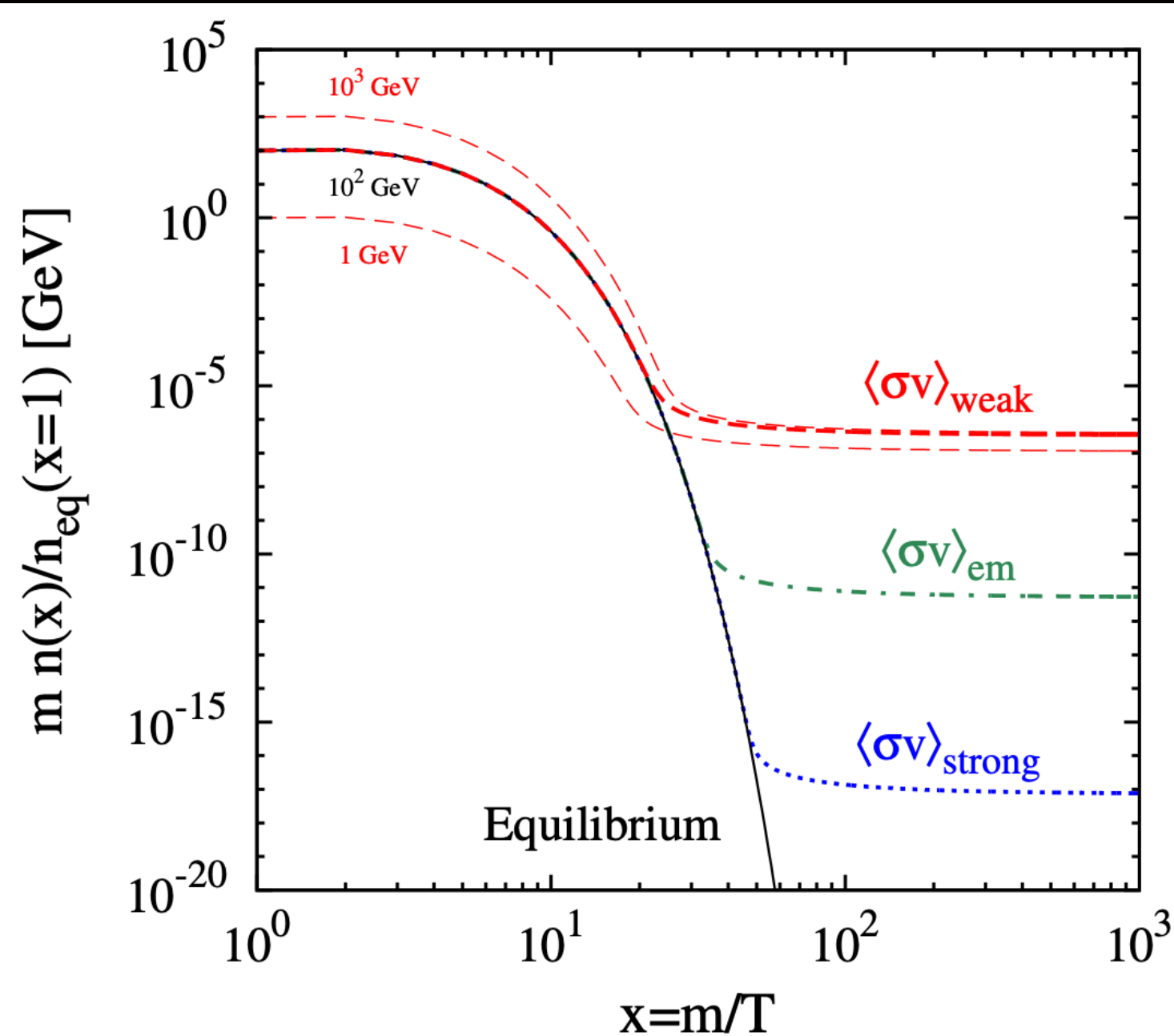
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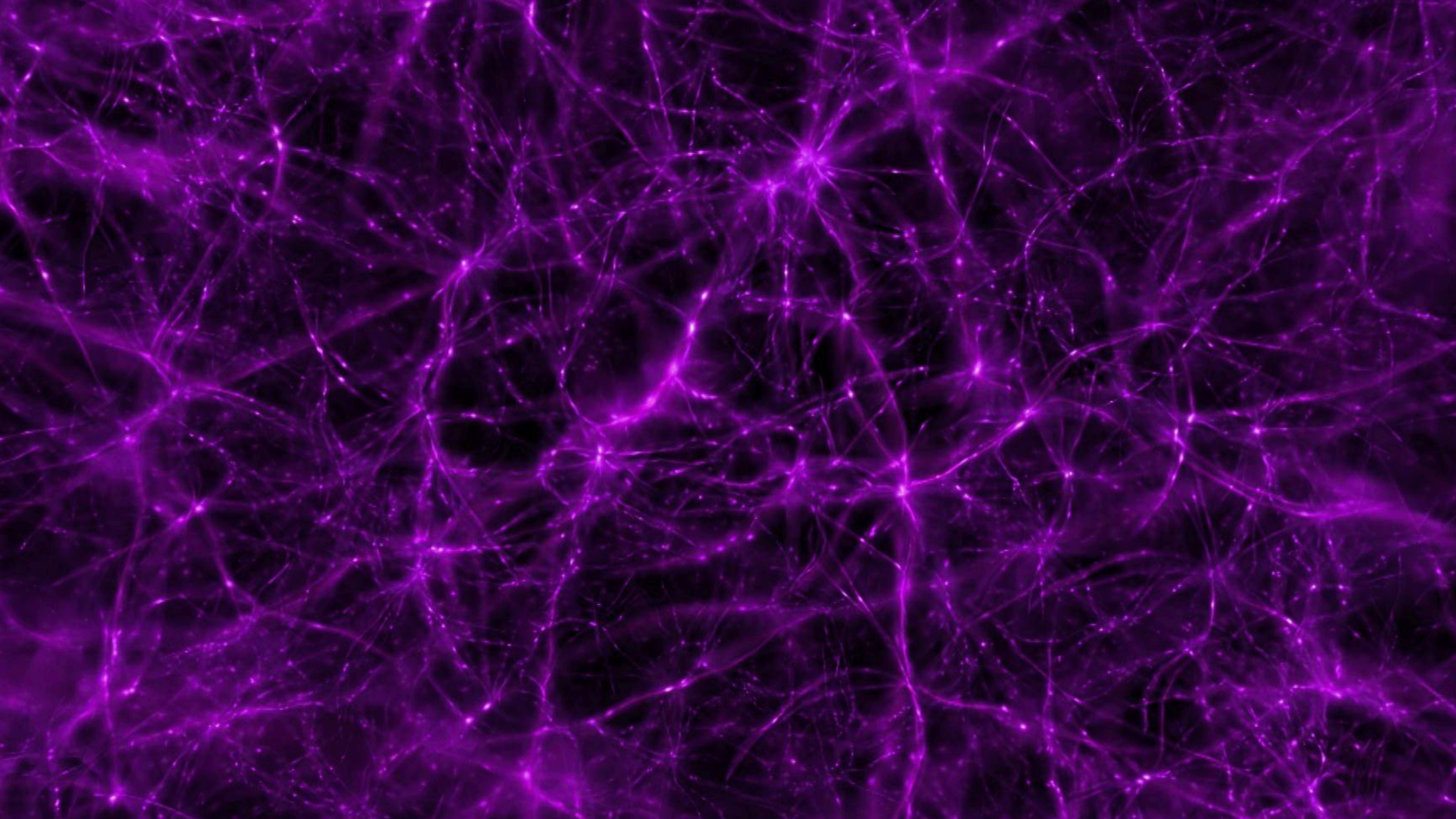
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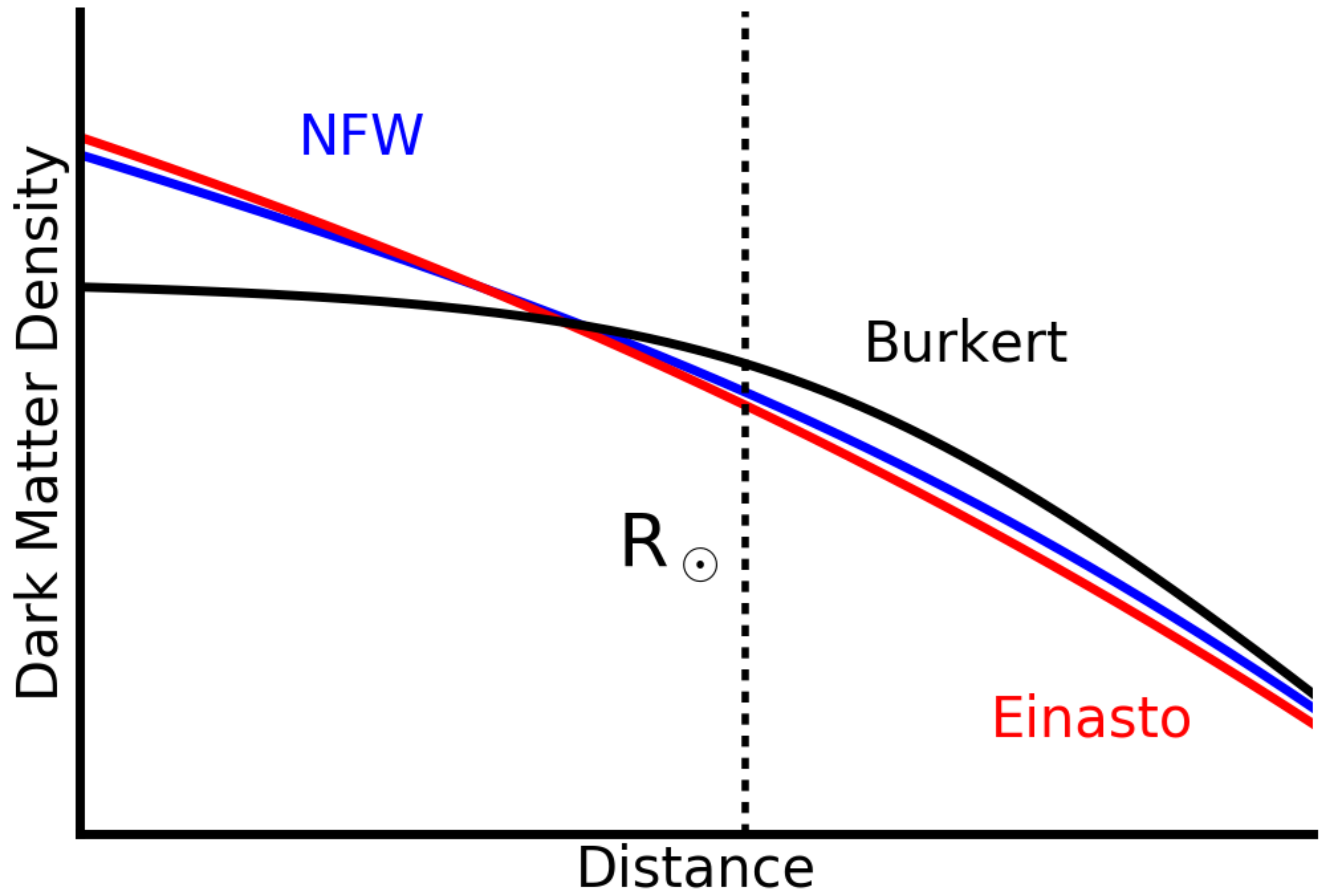
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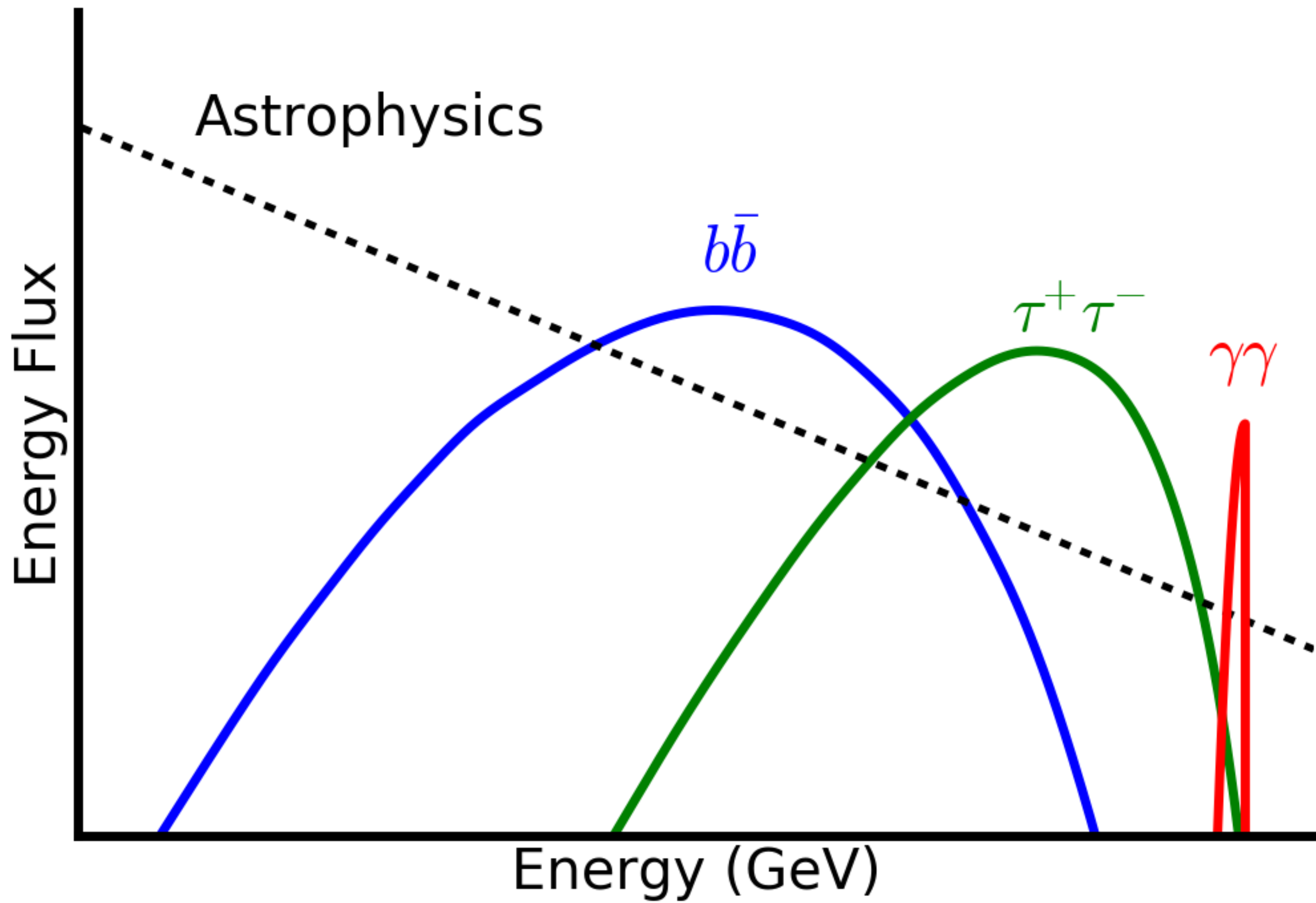
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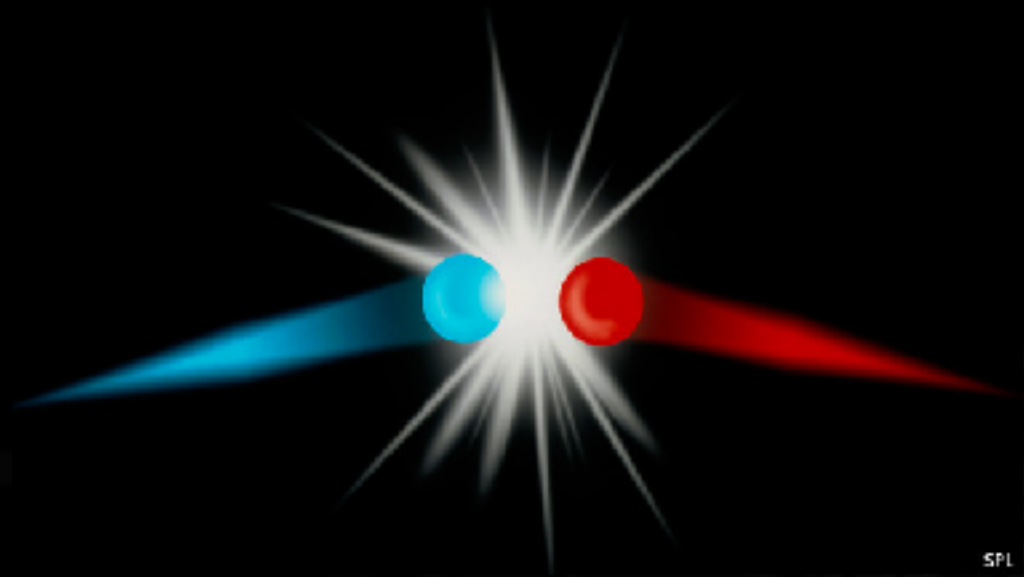
Constrain the simplest model first





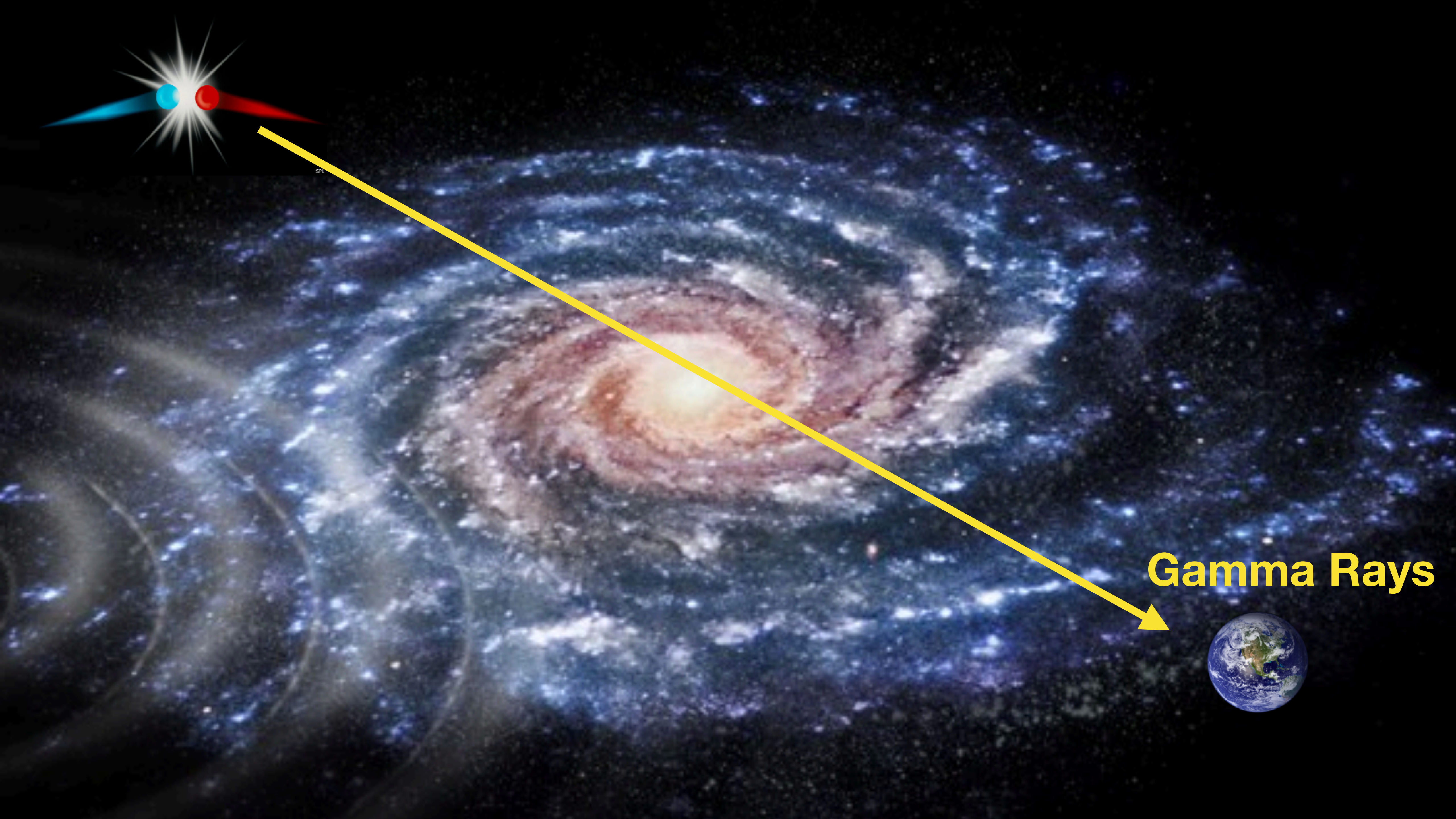
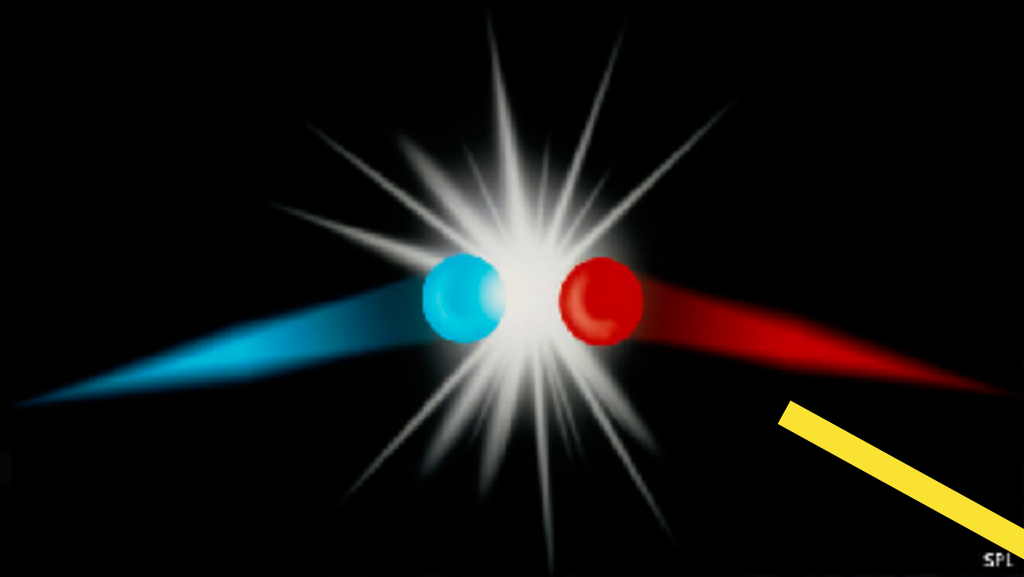






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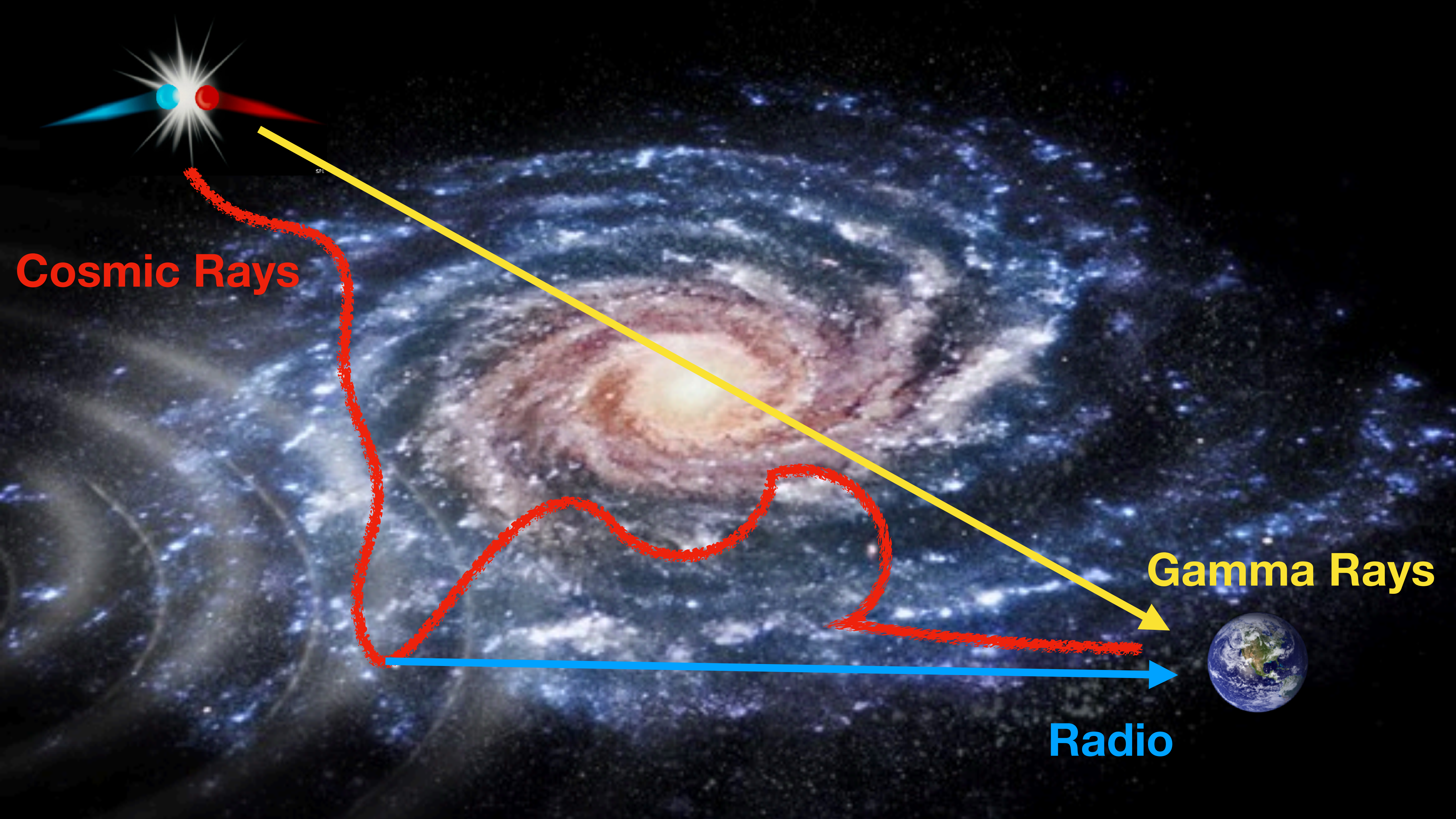
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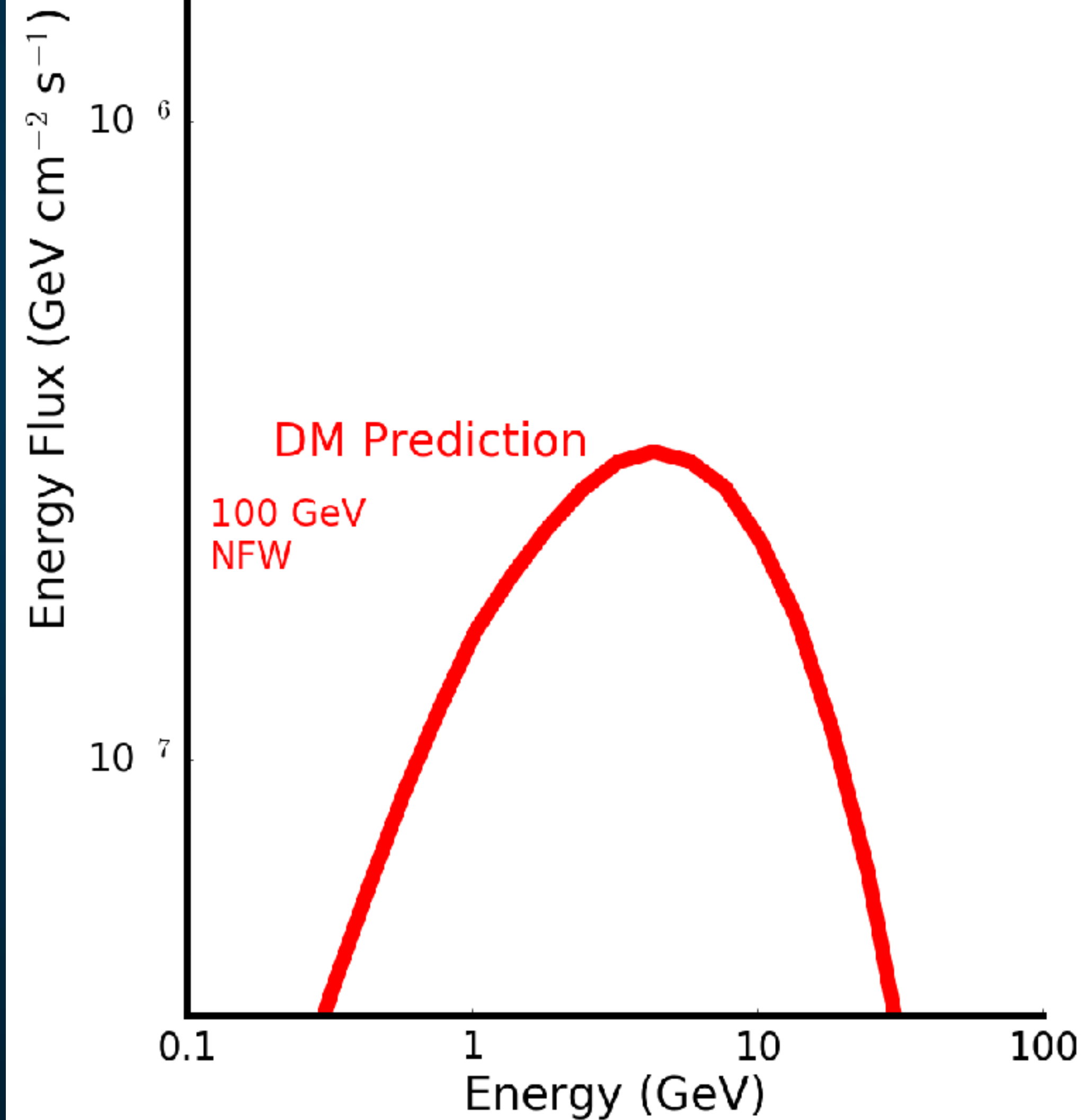
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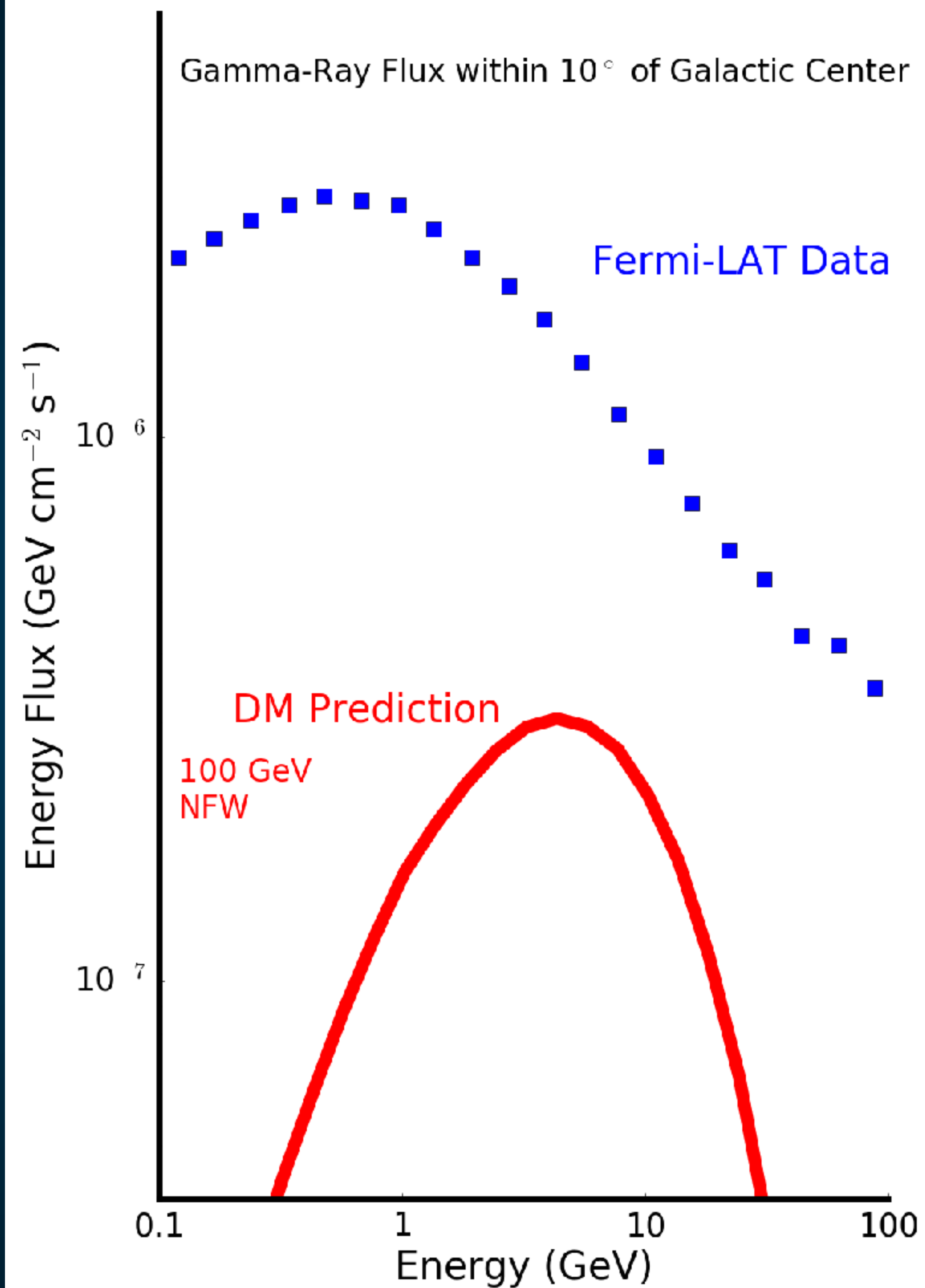
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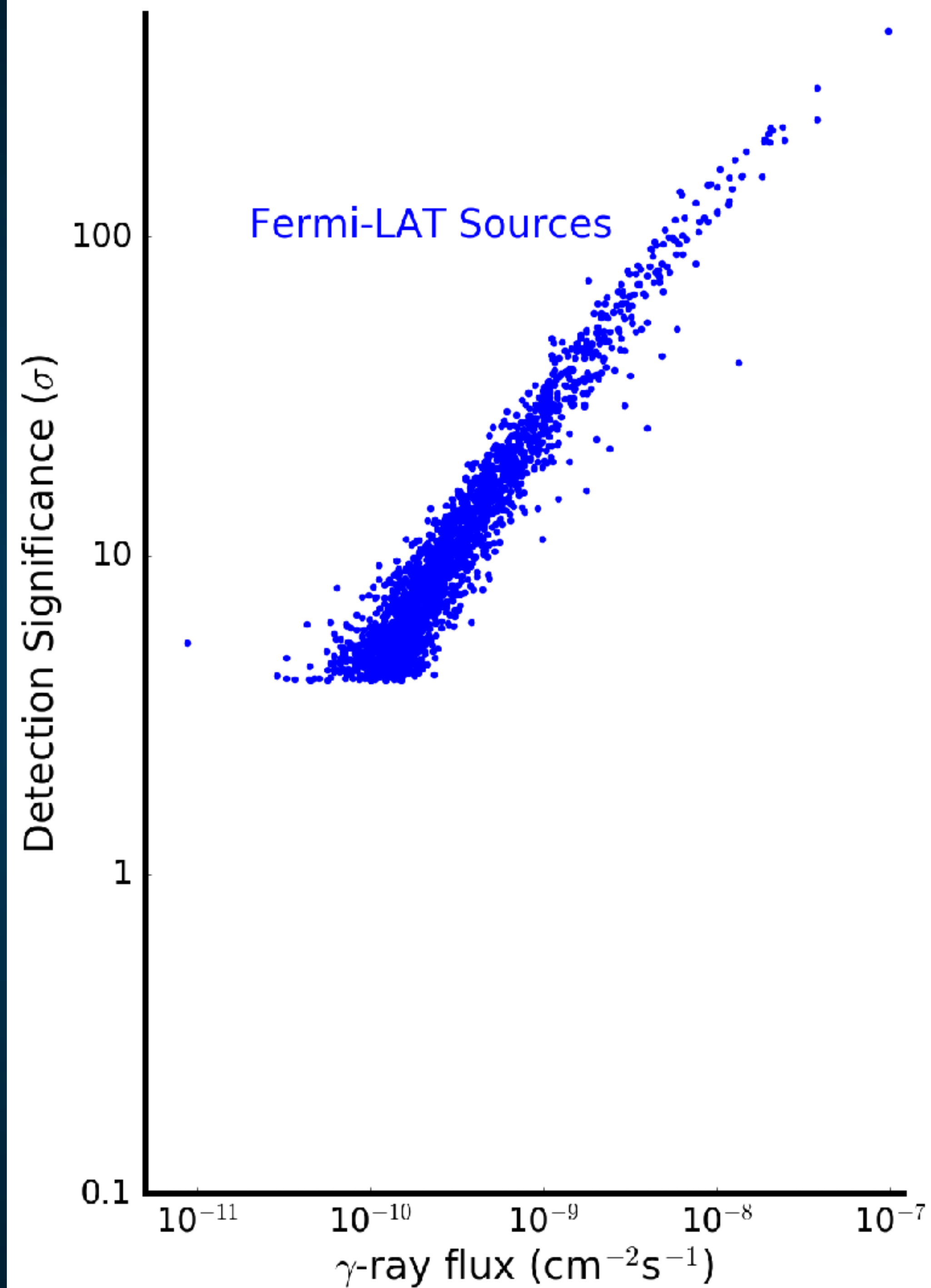
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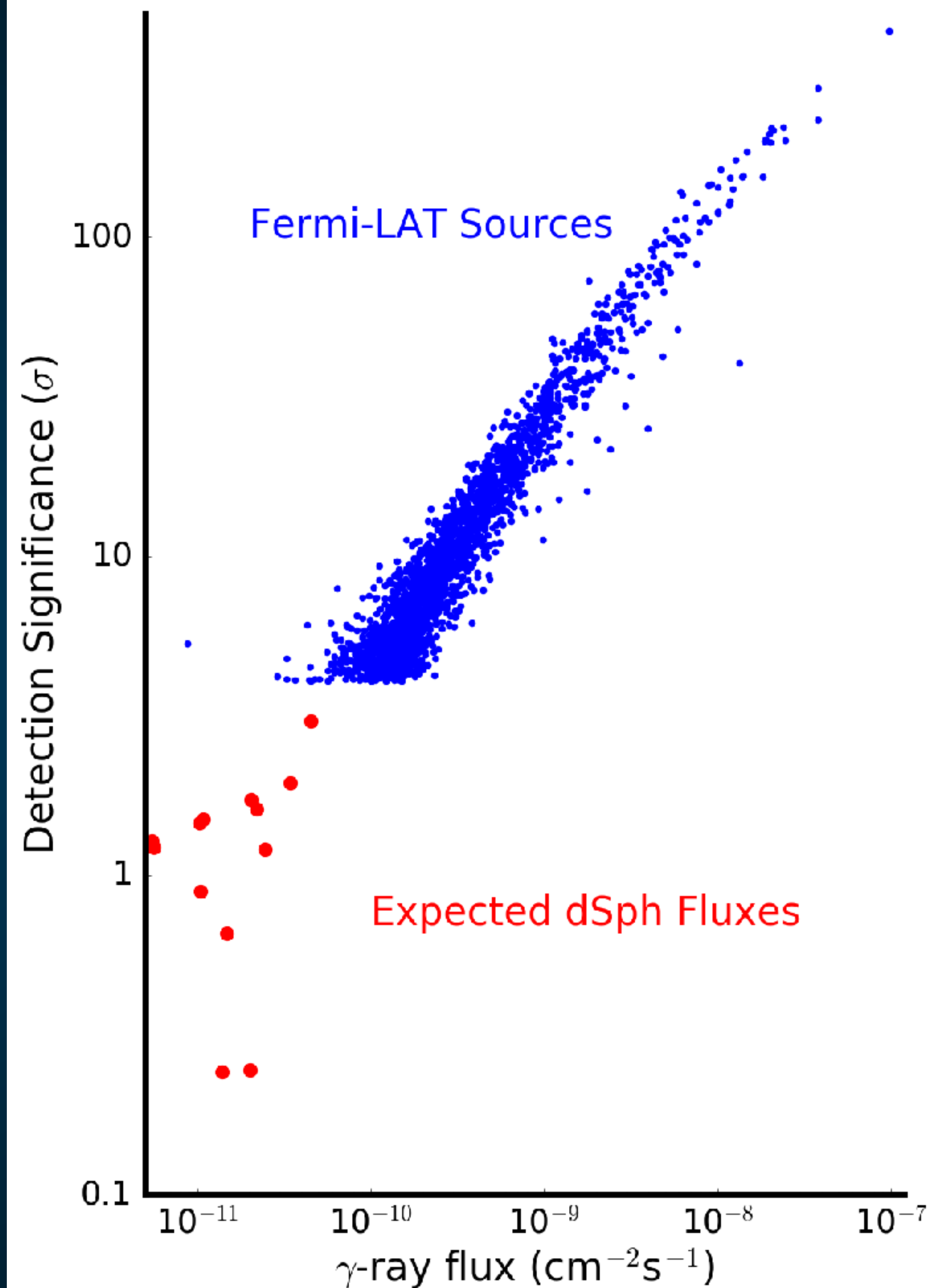
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dSph Proximity

Substructure Models

Milky Way Merger History



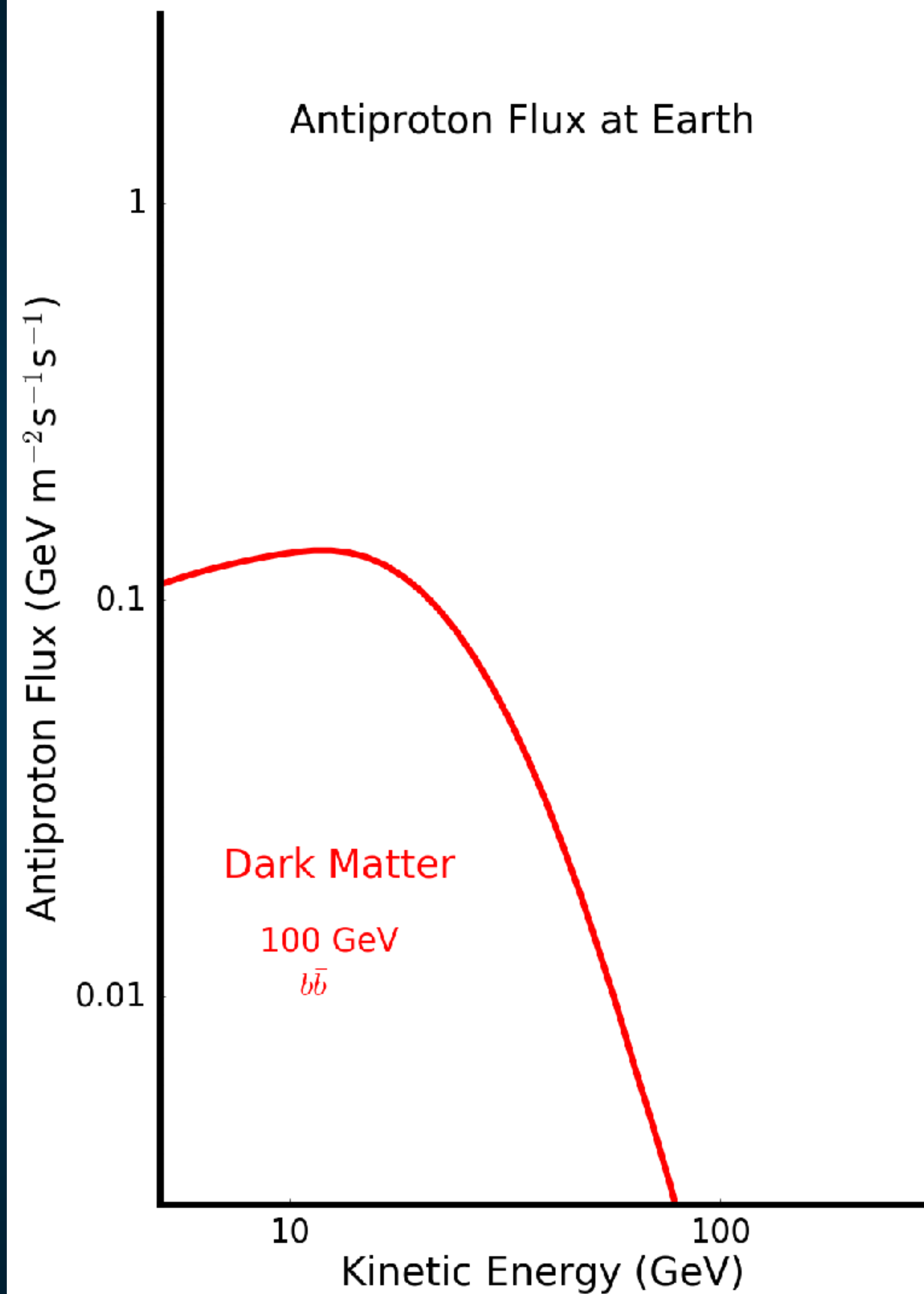
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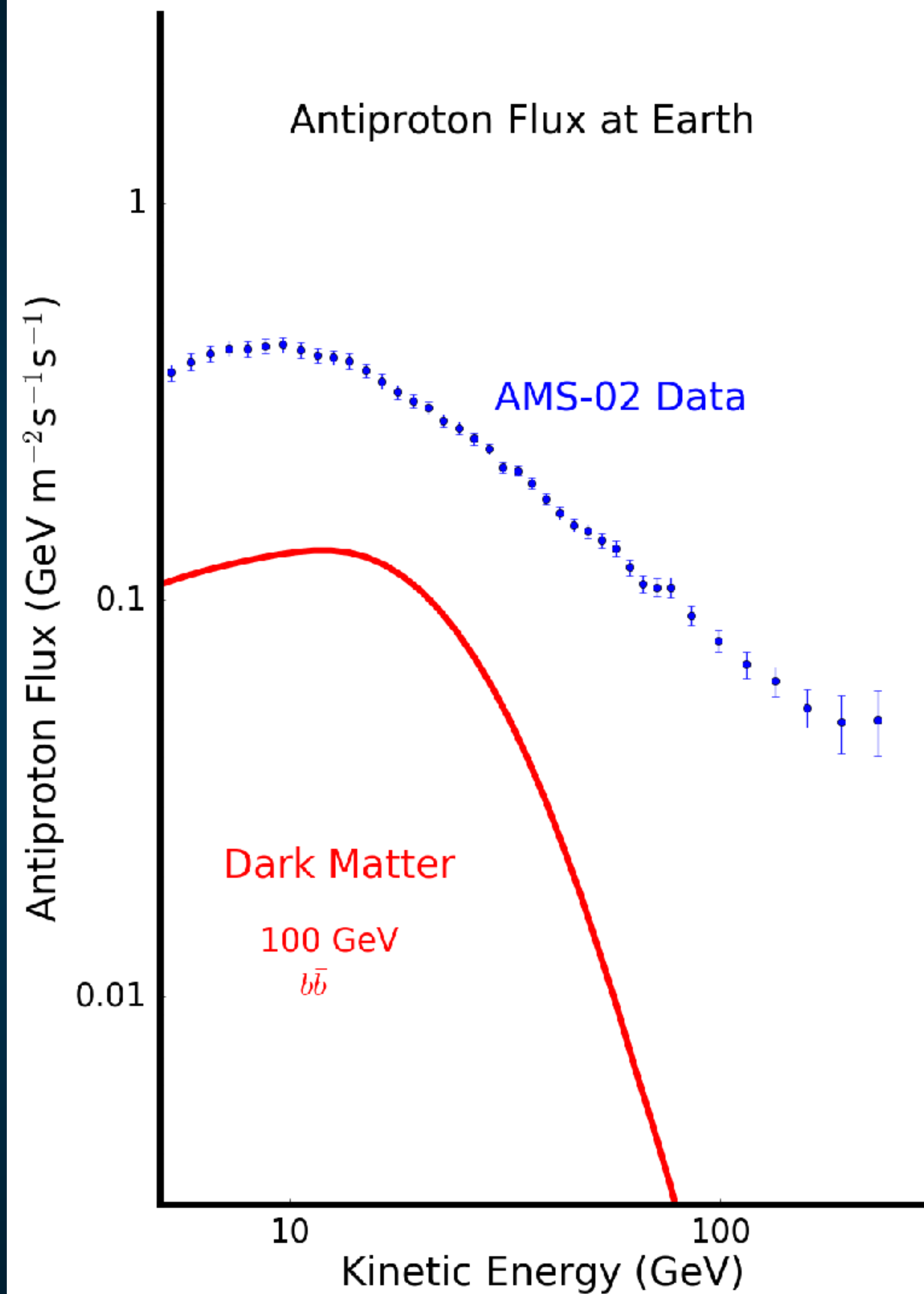
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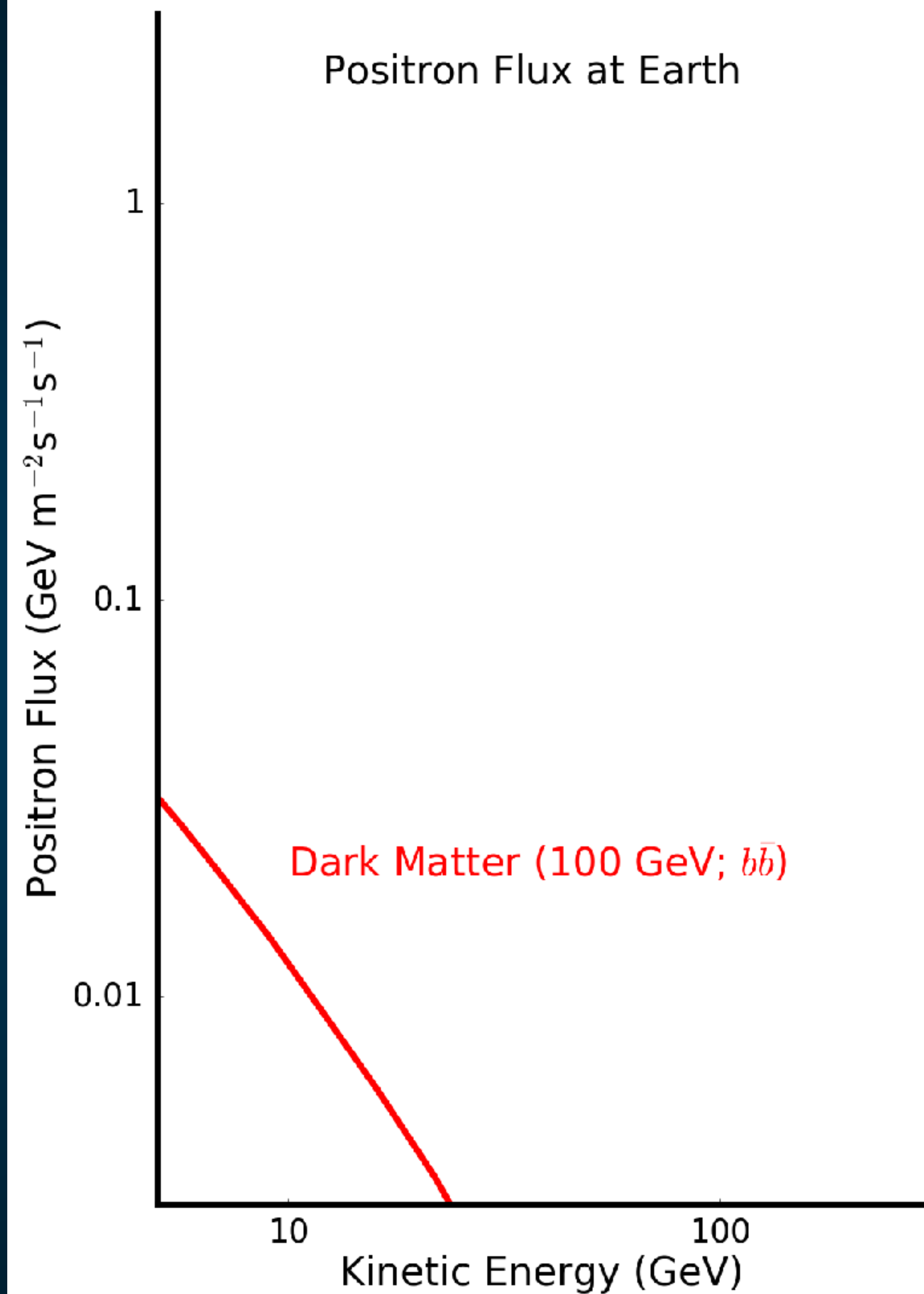
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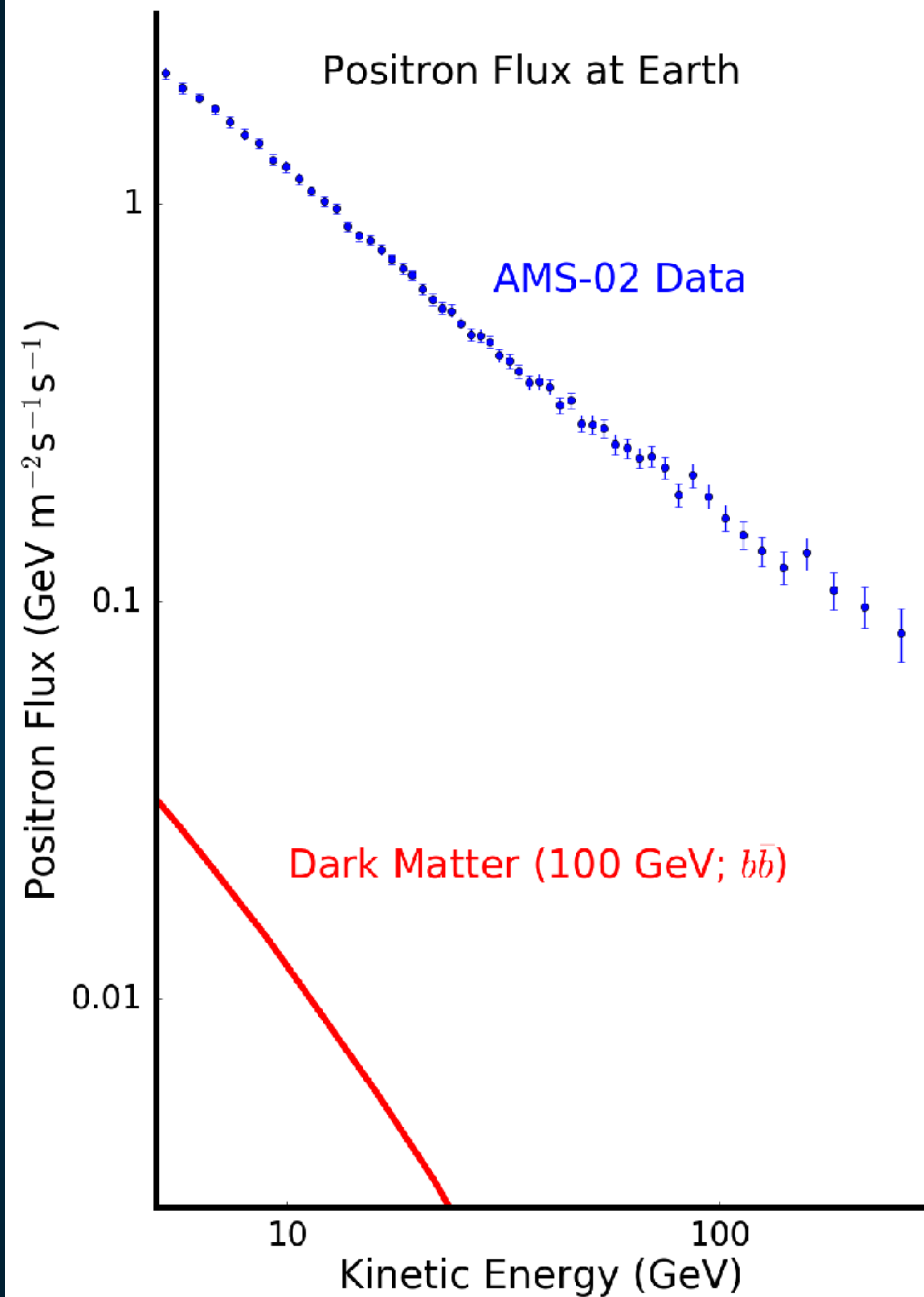
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Pulsar Birth Rate

e^+e^- Acceleration Efficiency in Pulsar Magnetospheres





Specificity (DM Flux / Astrophysics Flux)

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Small Astrophysical Background

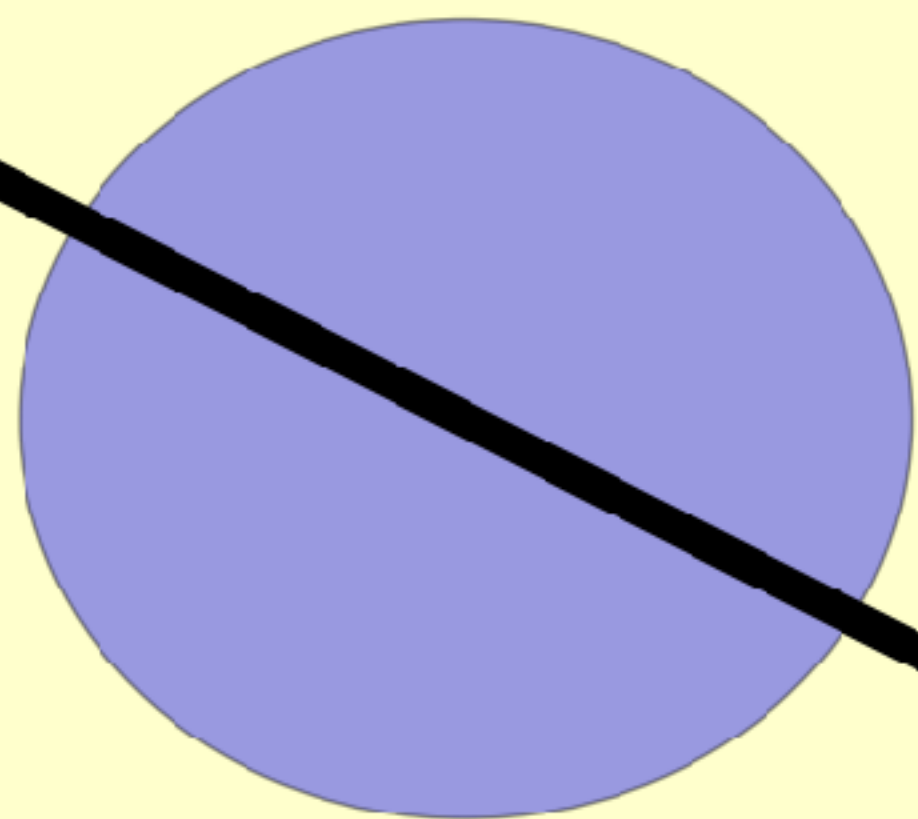
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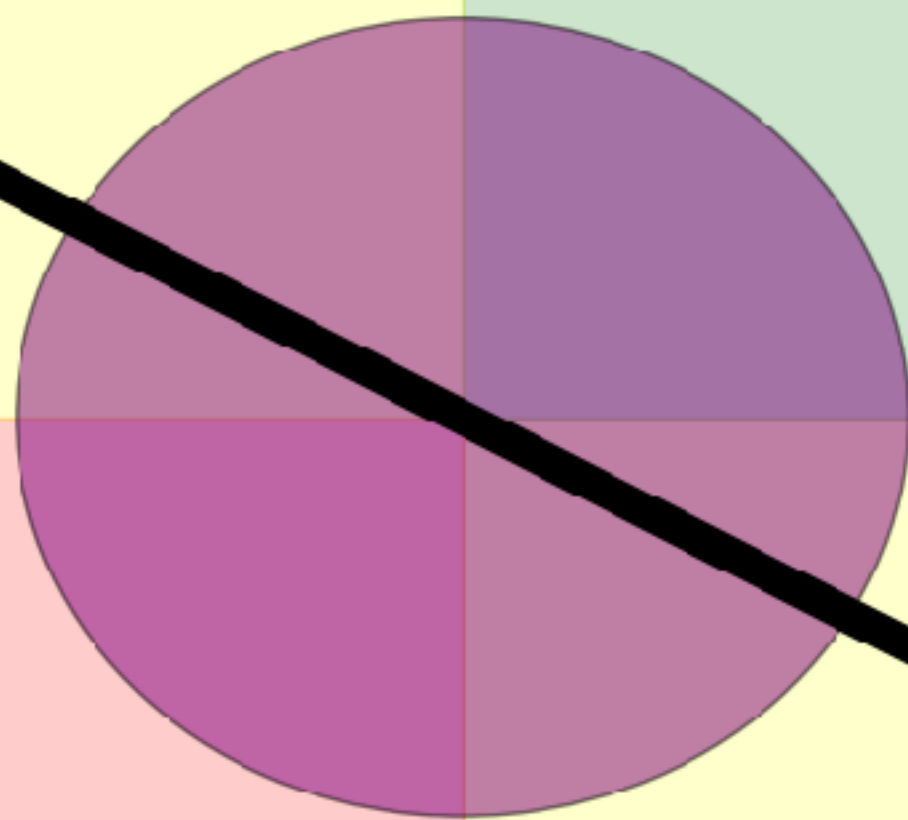
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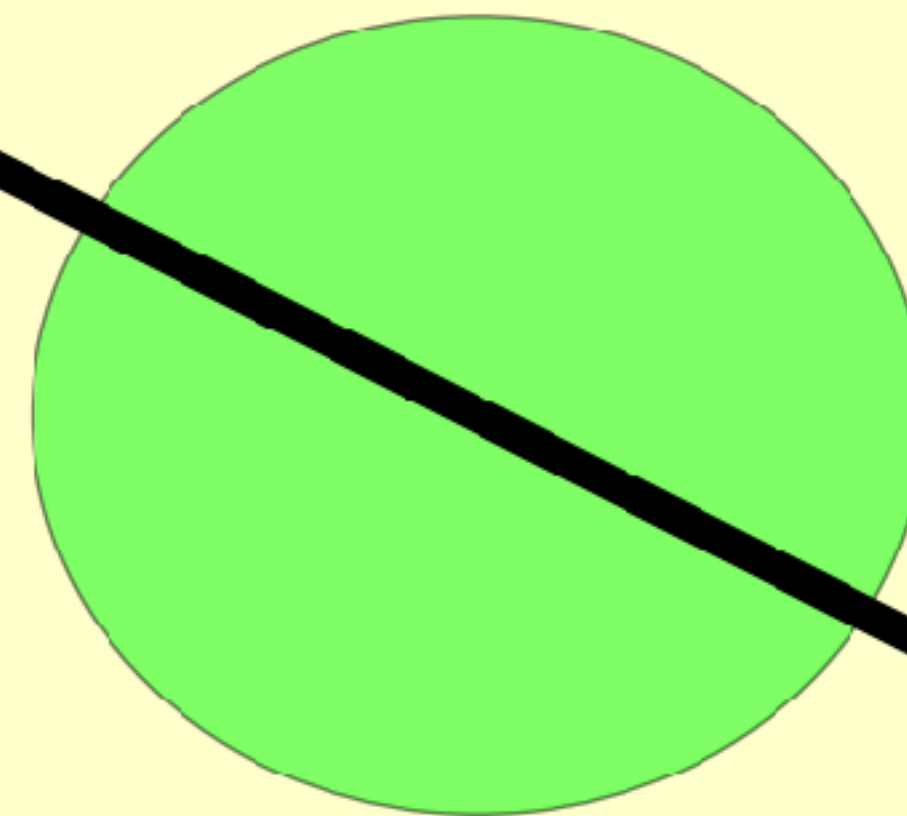
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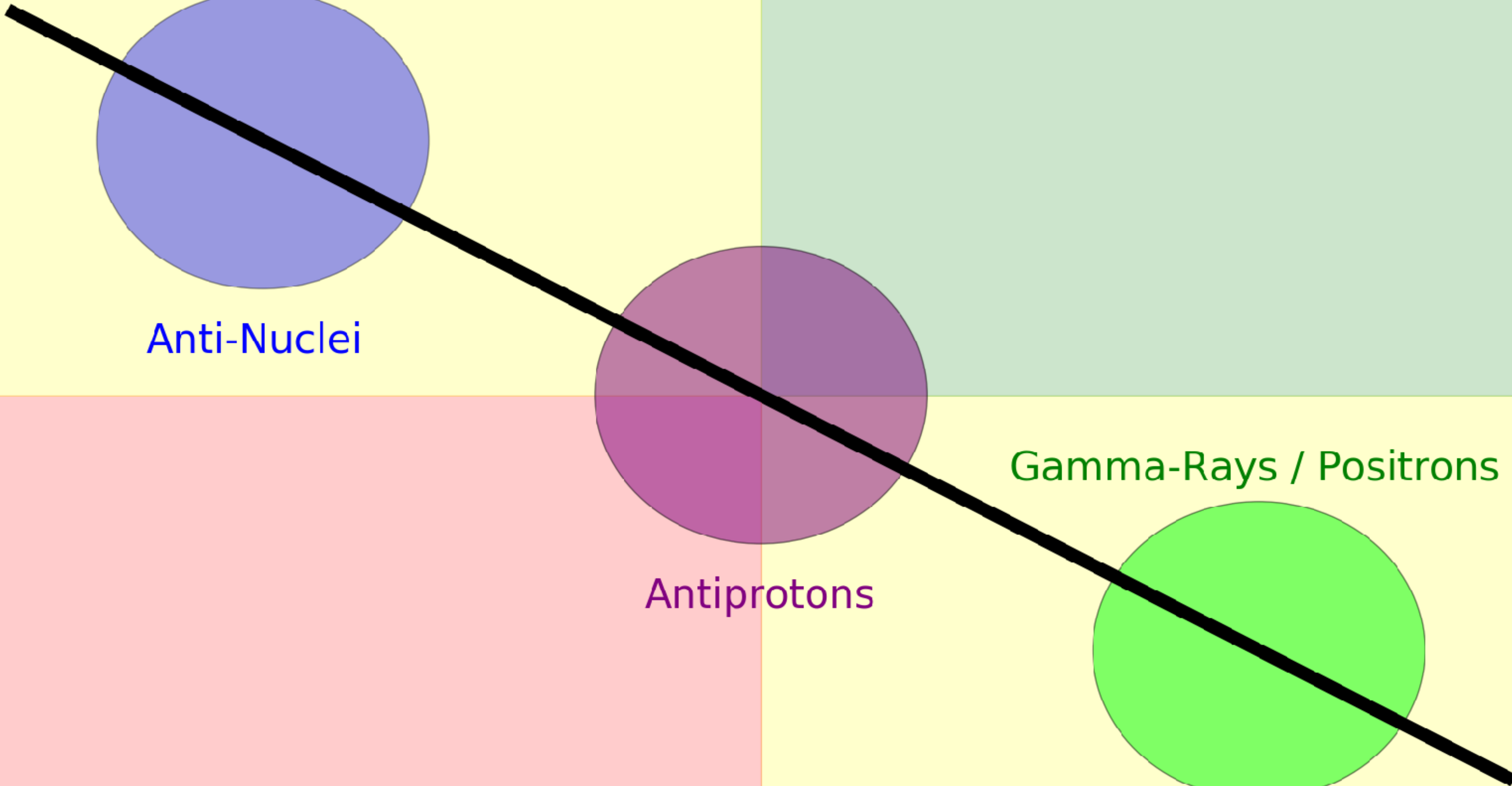
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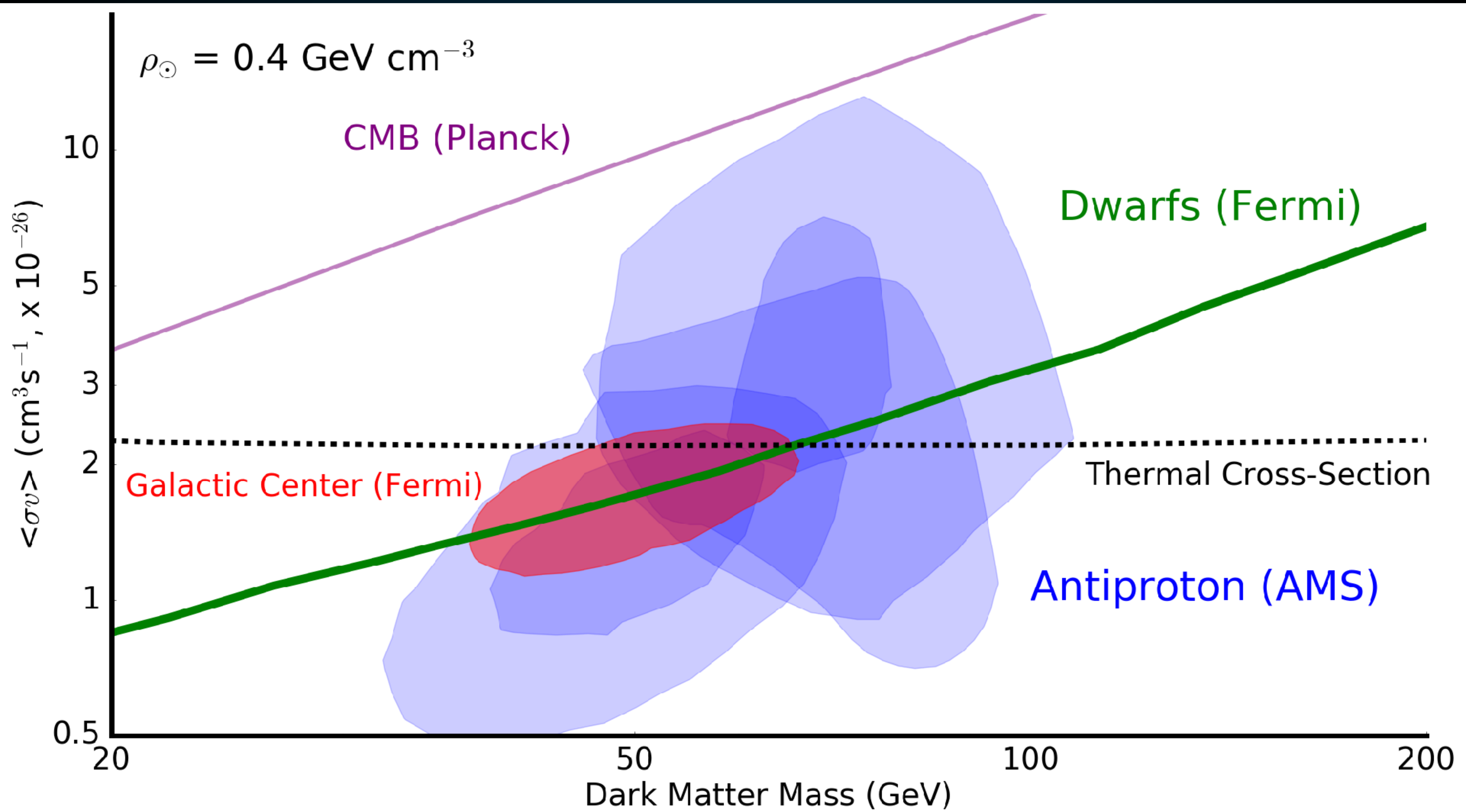


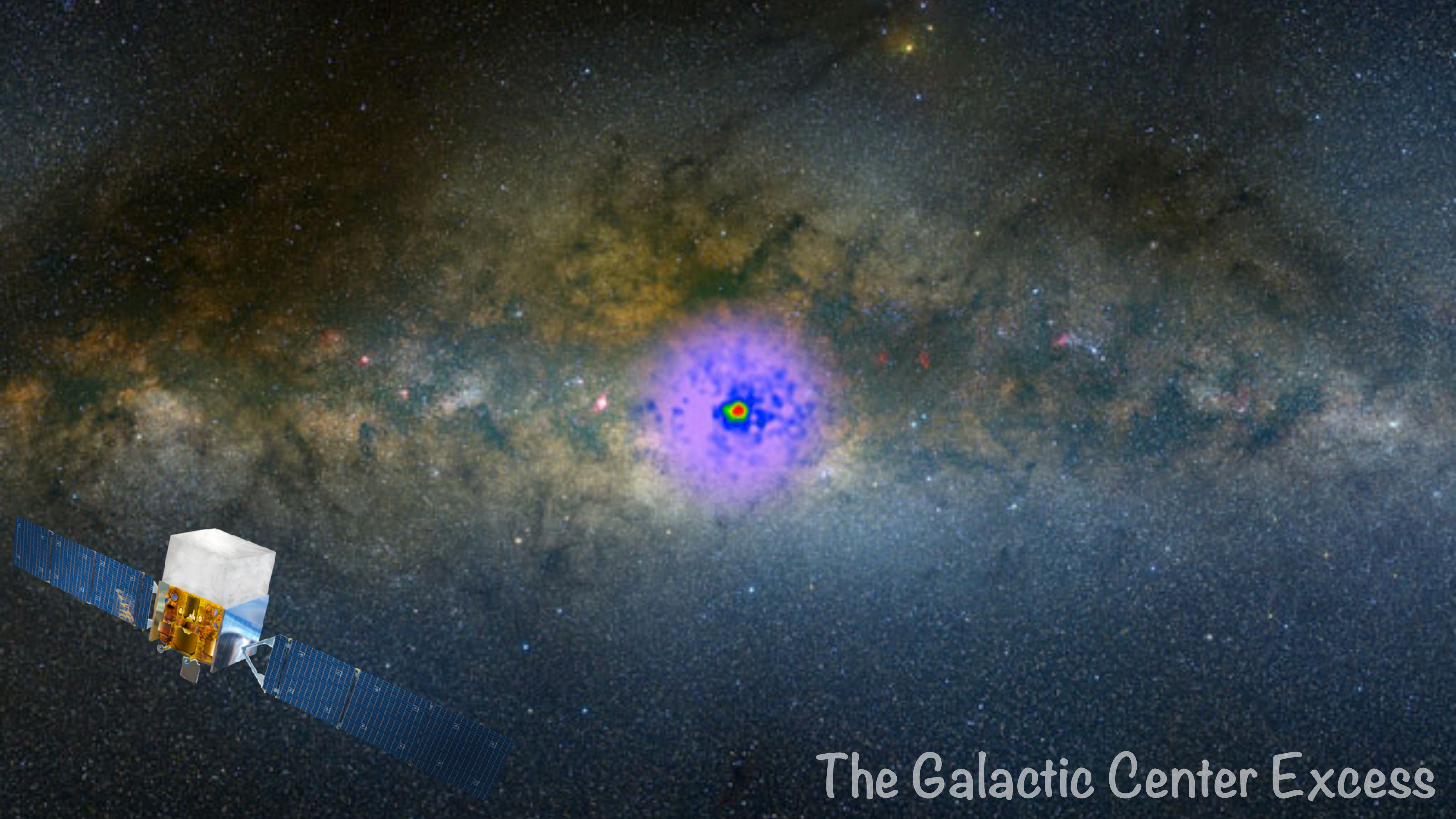
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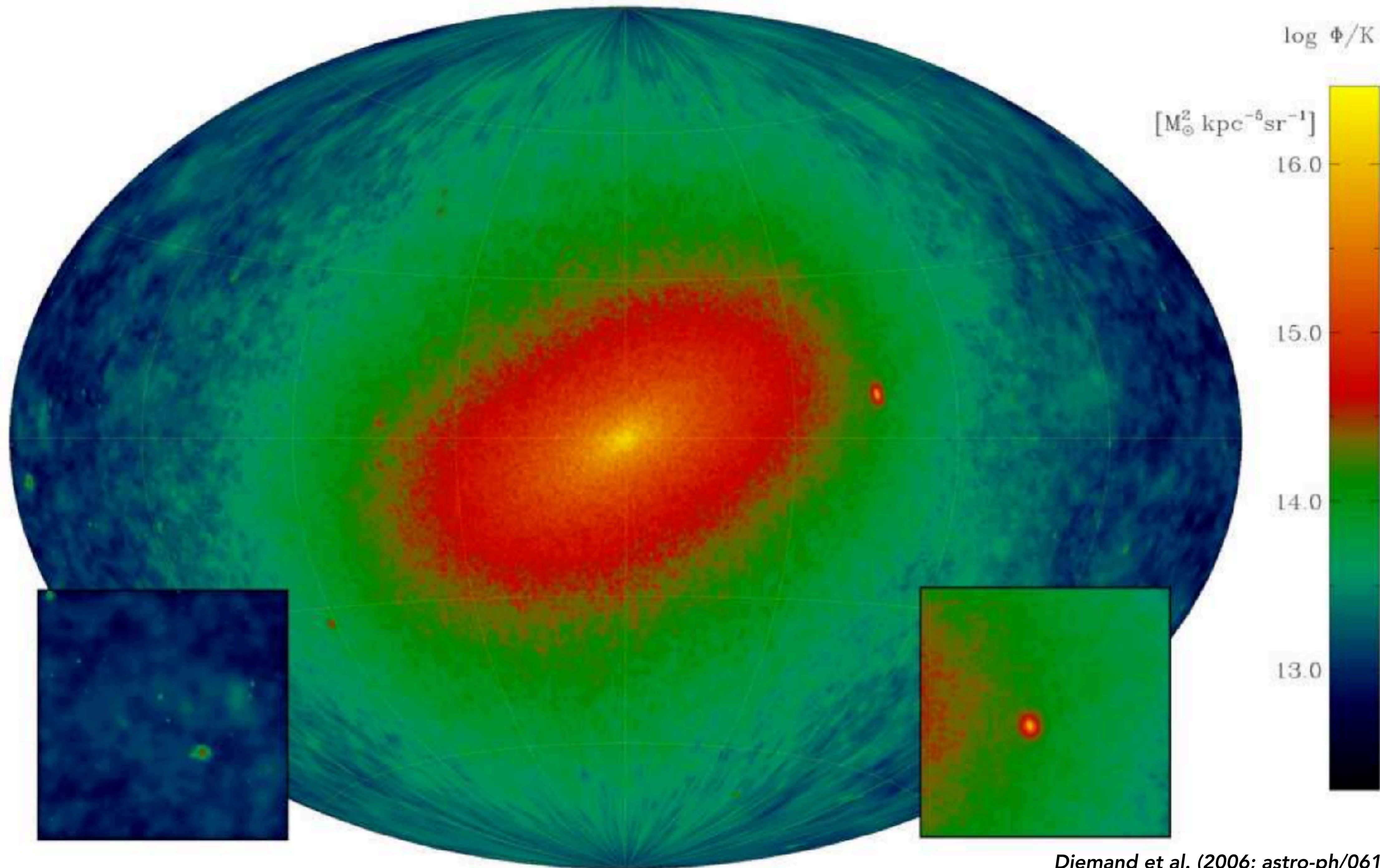
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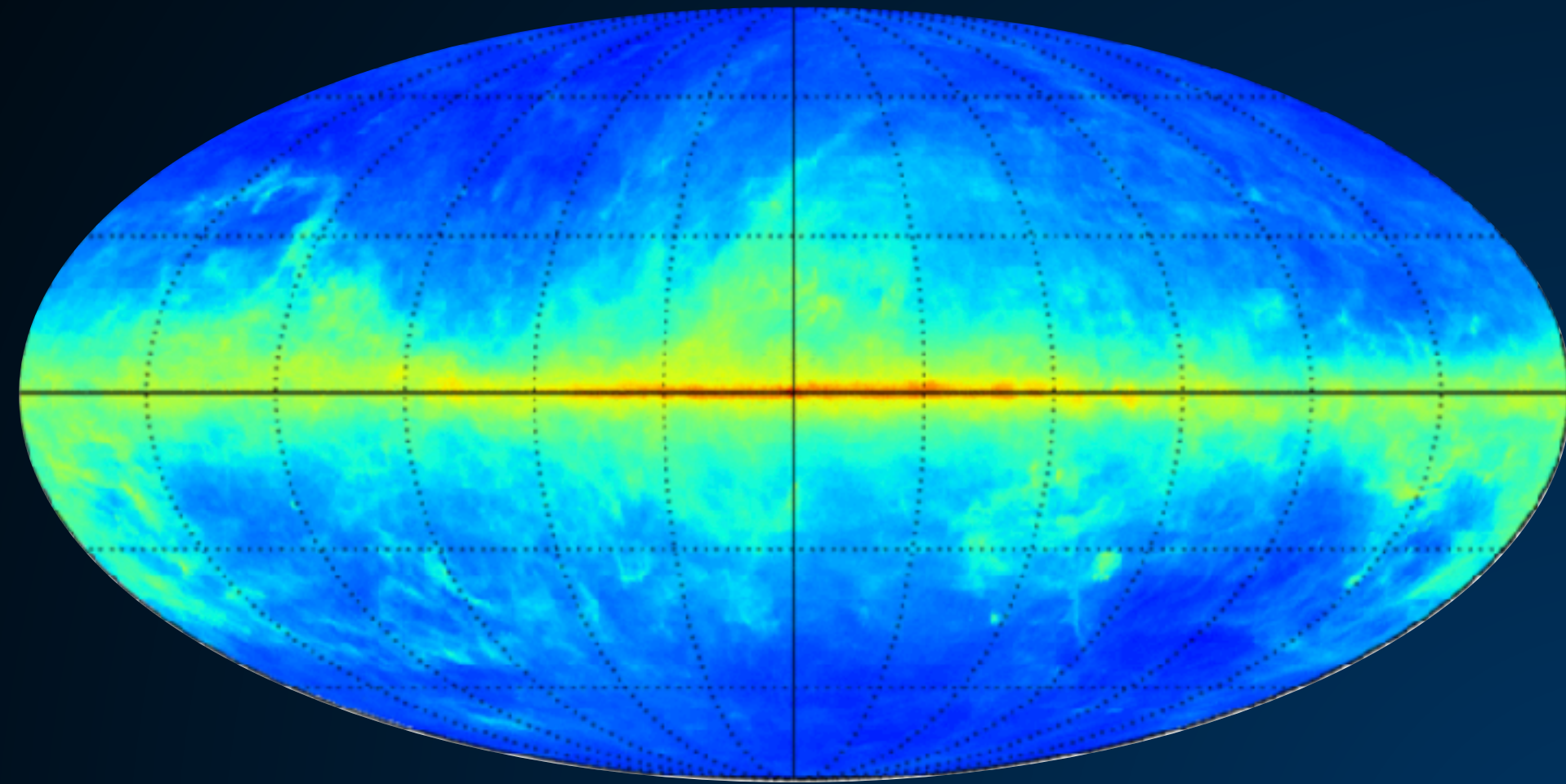




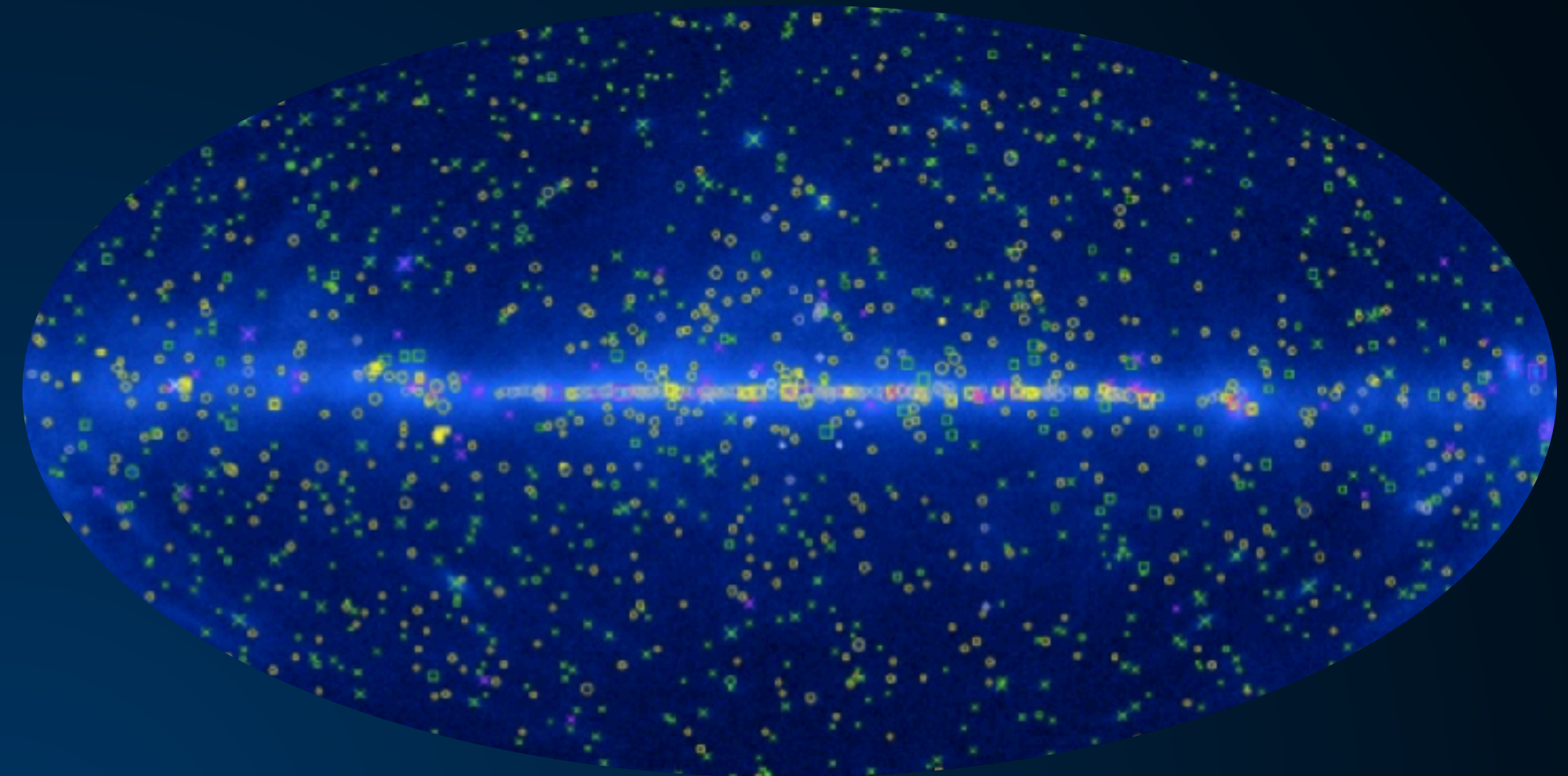
The Galactic Center Excess



The Galactic Center - Techniques



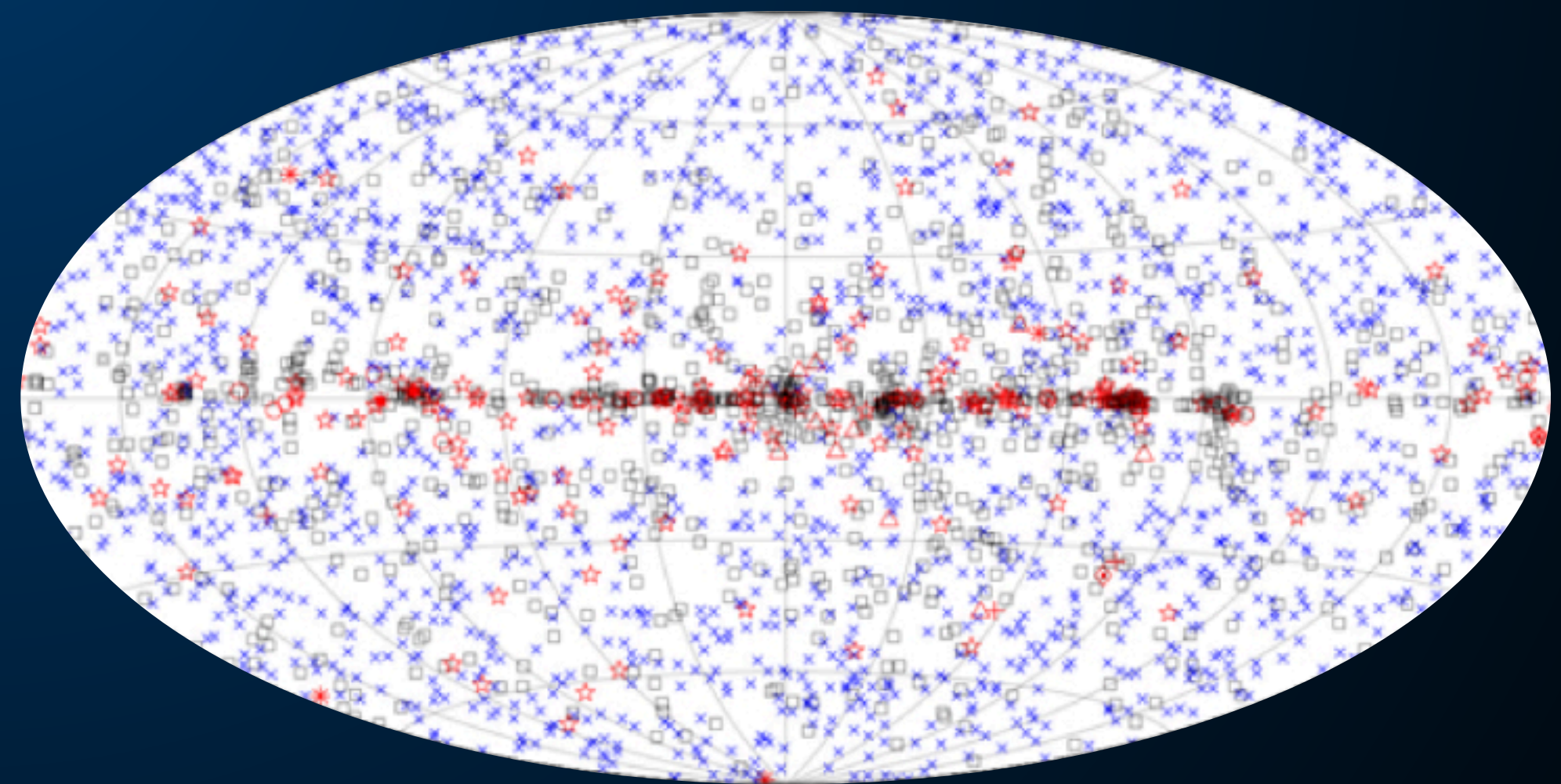
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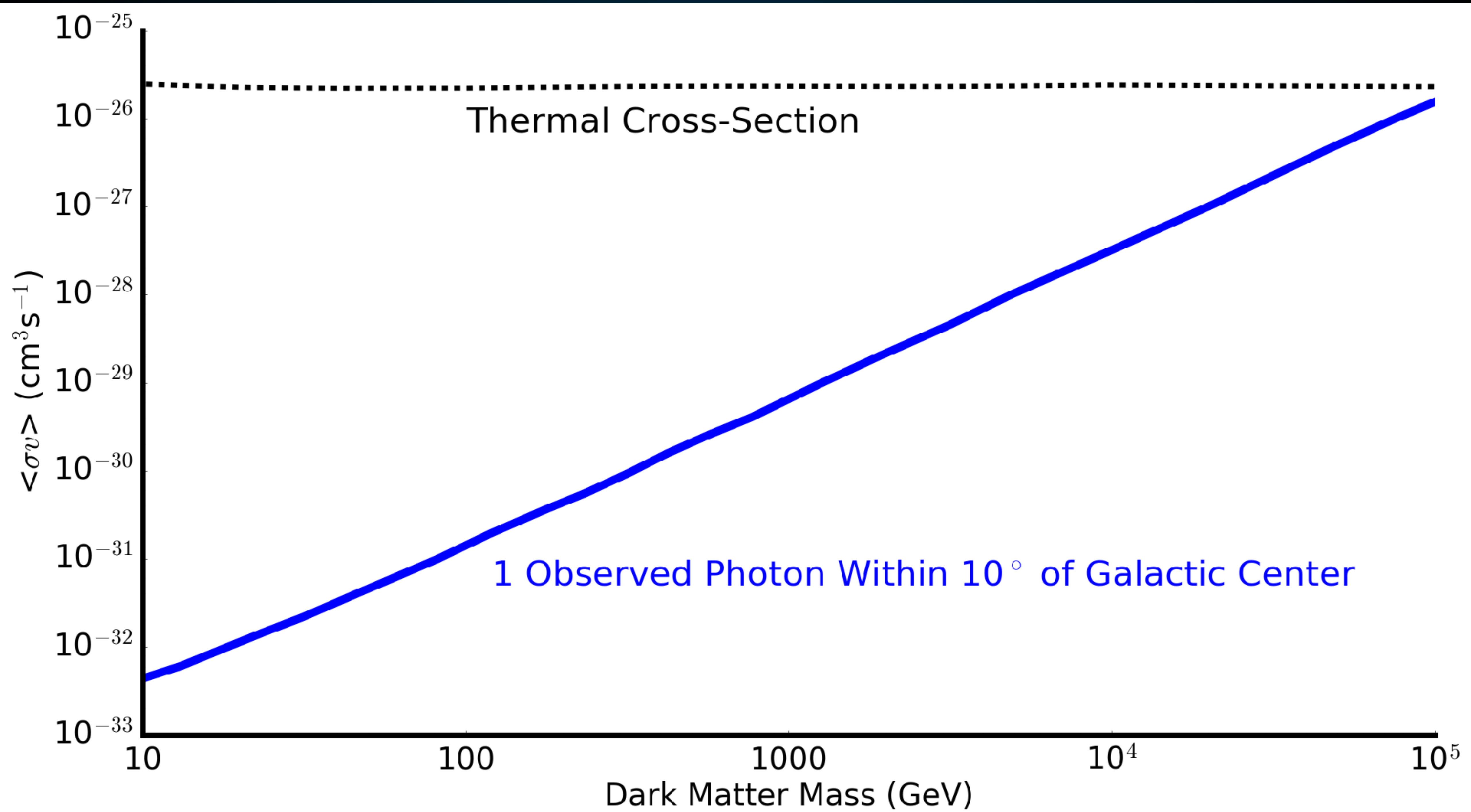
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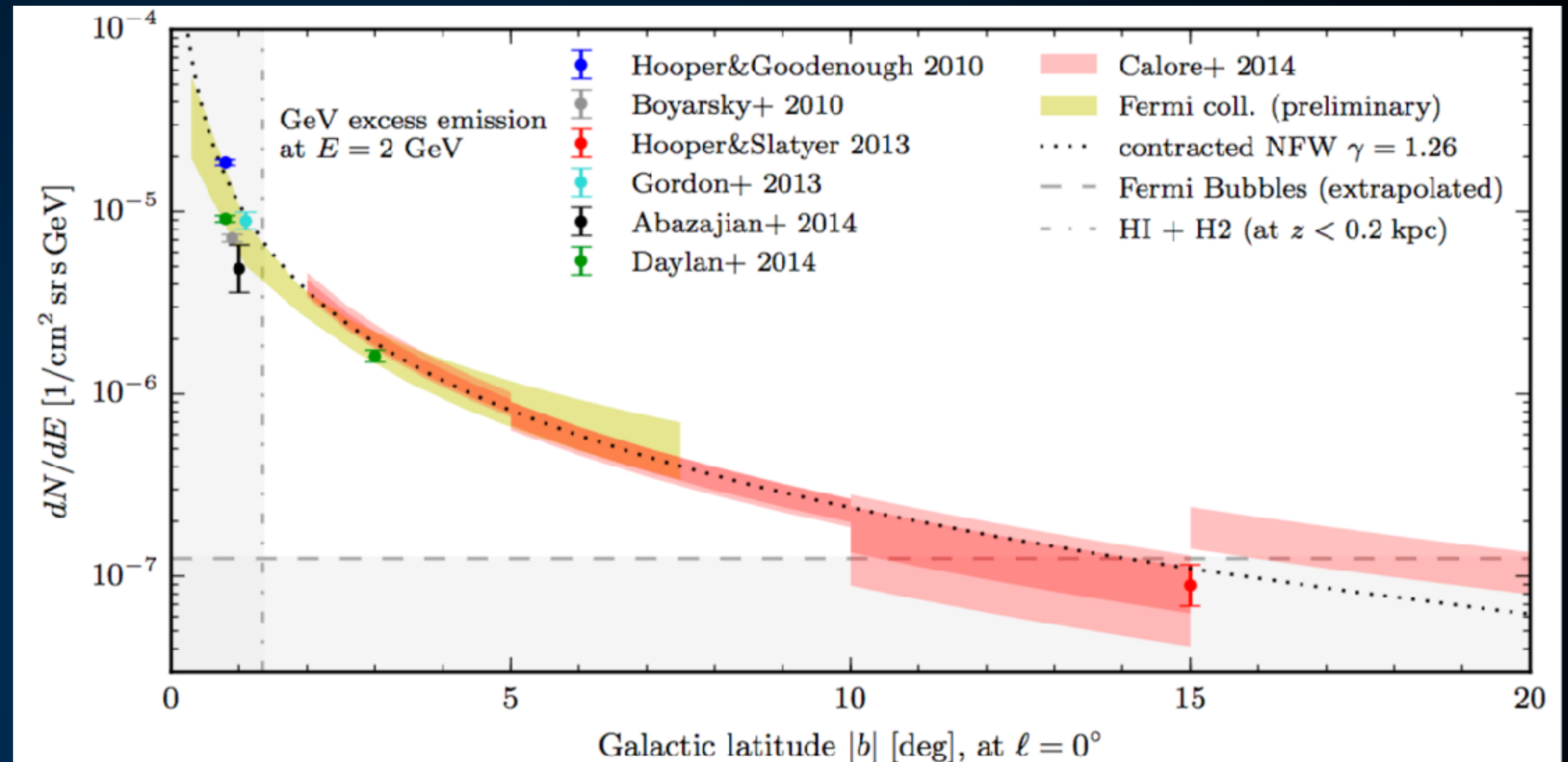
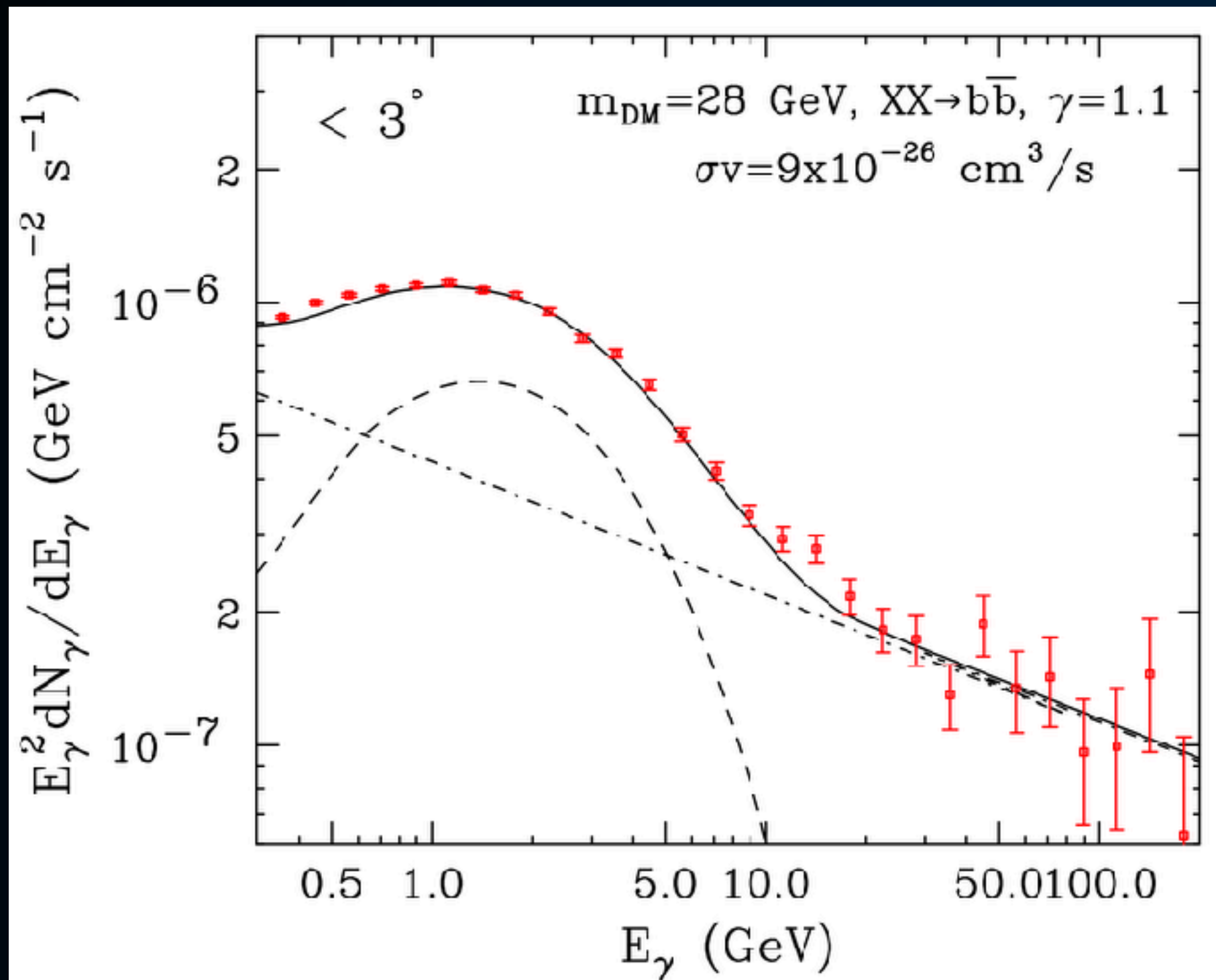


Sub-Threshold Sources



The Galactic Center Excess

Goodenough & Hooper (2009; 0910.2998)



Bright *Detected at $>50\sigma$*

Hard-Spectrum *Incompatible with standard backgrounds*

Spherically Symmetric *Expected from Dark Matter*

Spatially Extended *to nearly 15 degrees from Galactic center.*

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Cross-Section ($10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$)

Thermal Cross-Section

0.5

0.8

1

2

3

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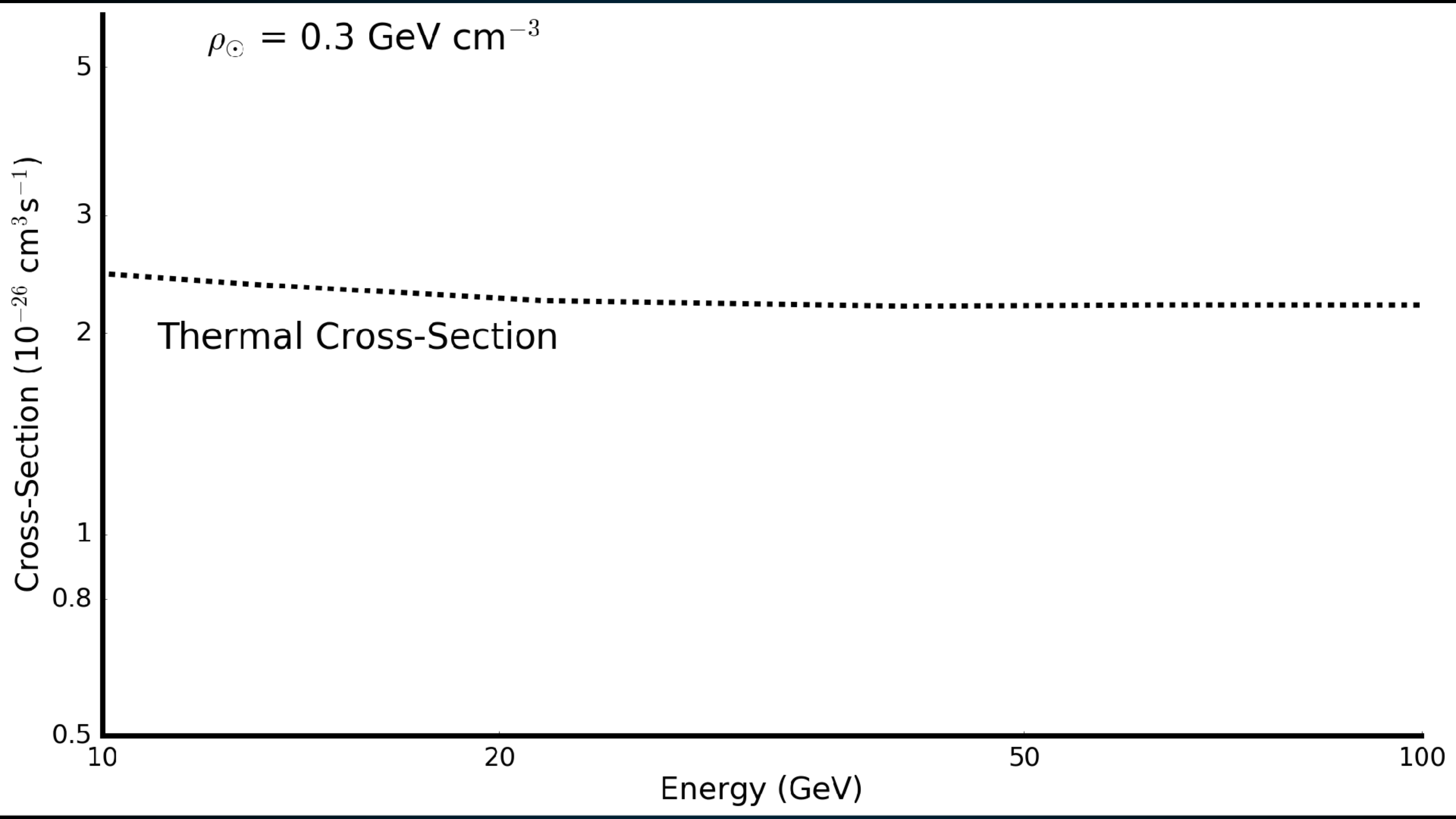
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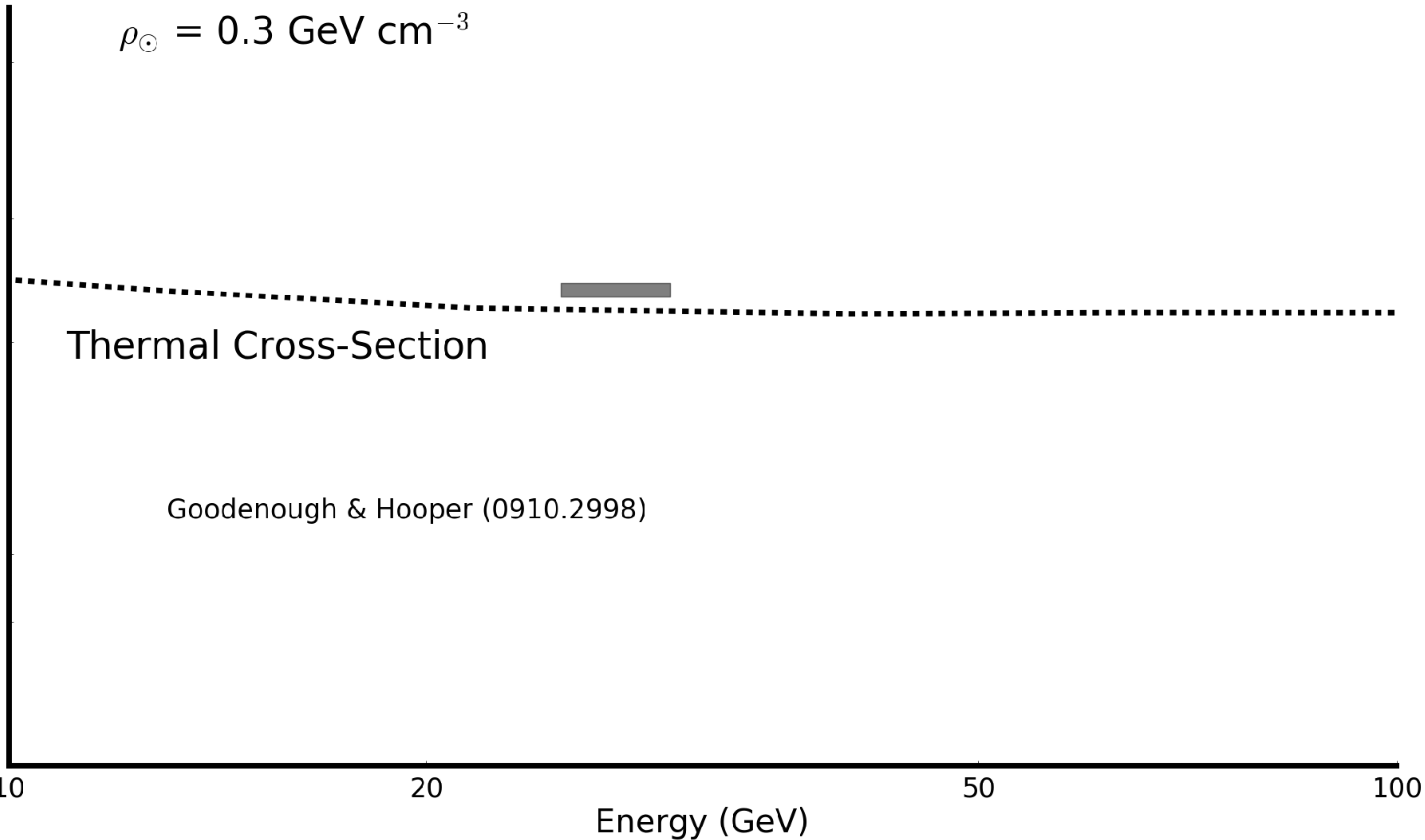
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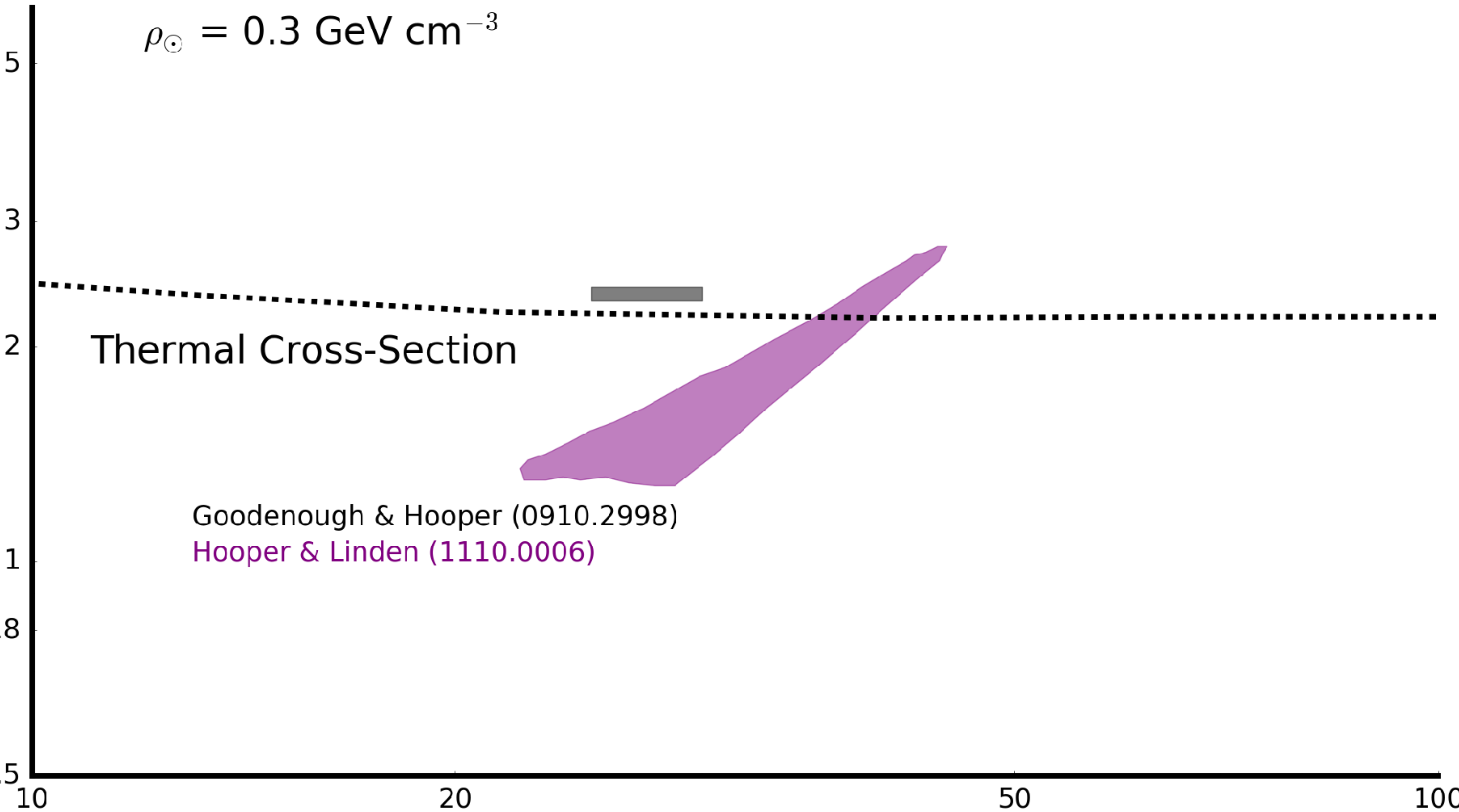
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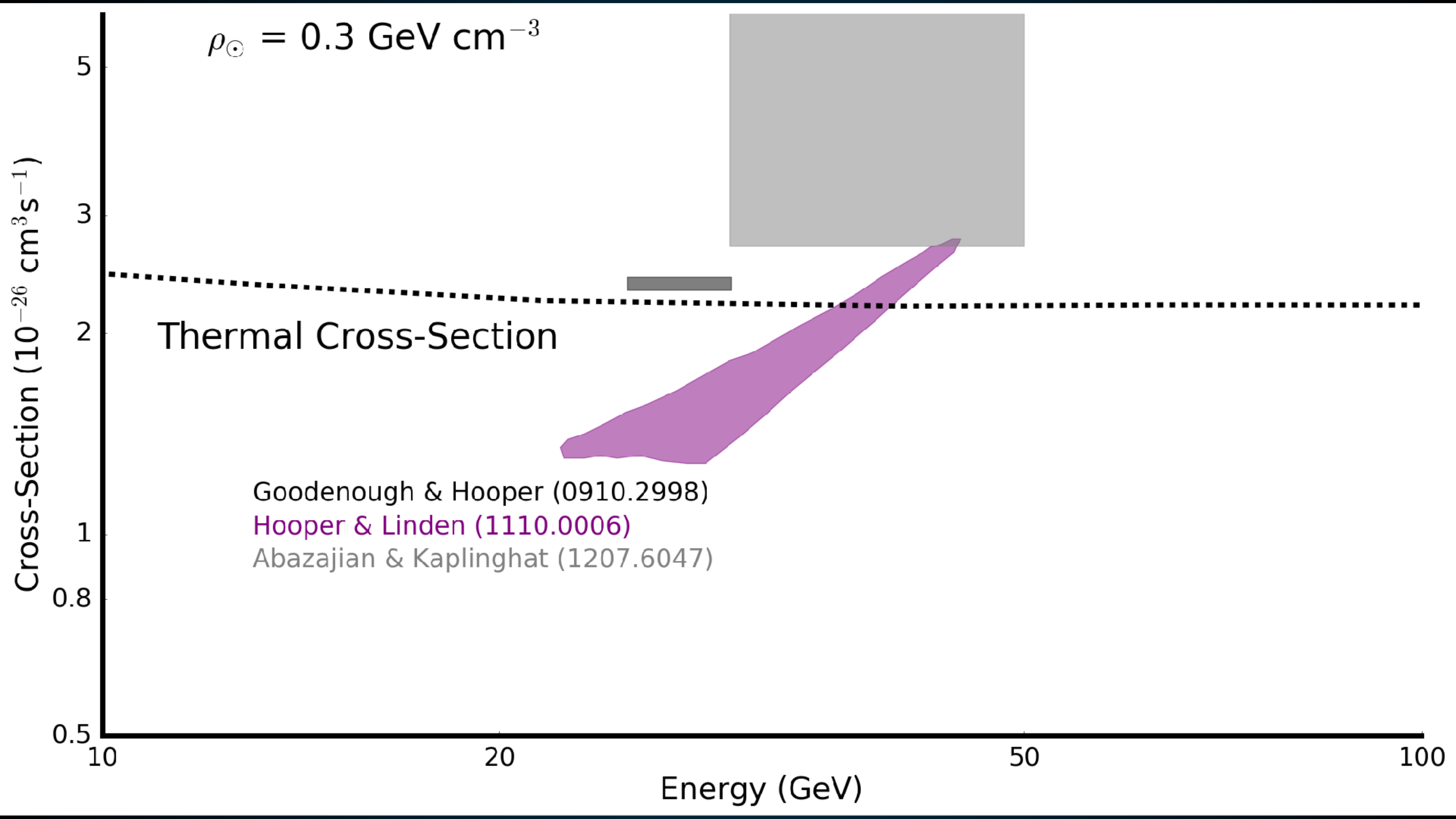
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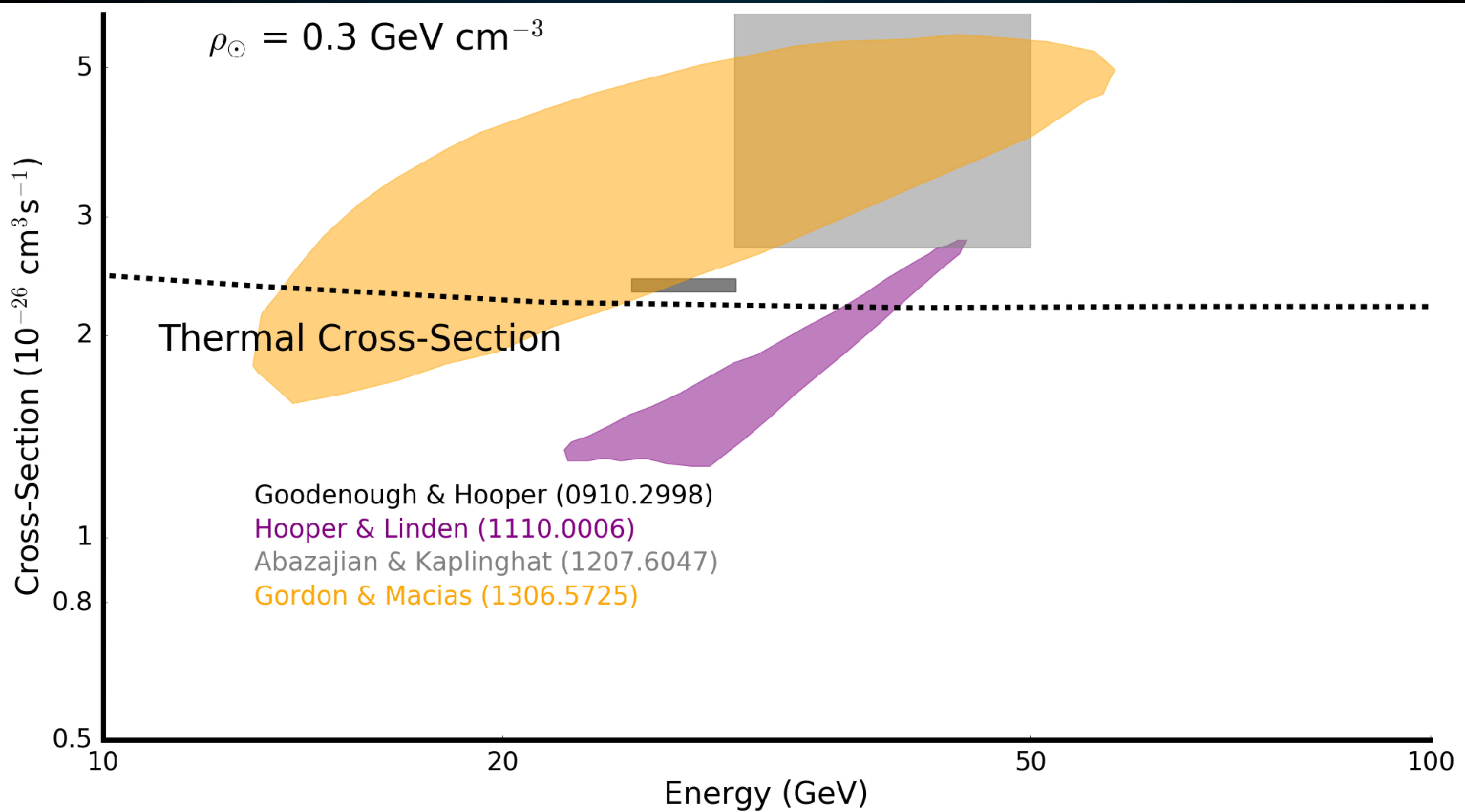
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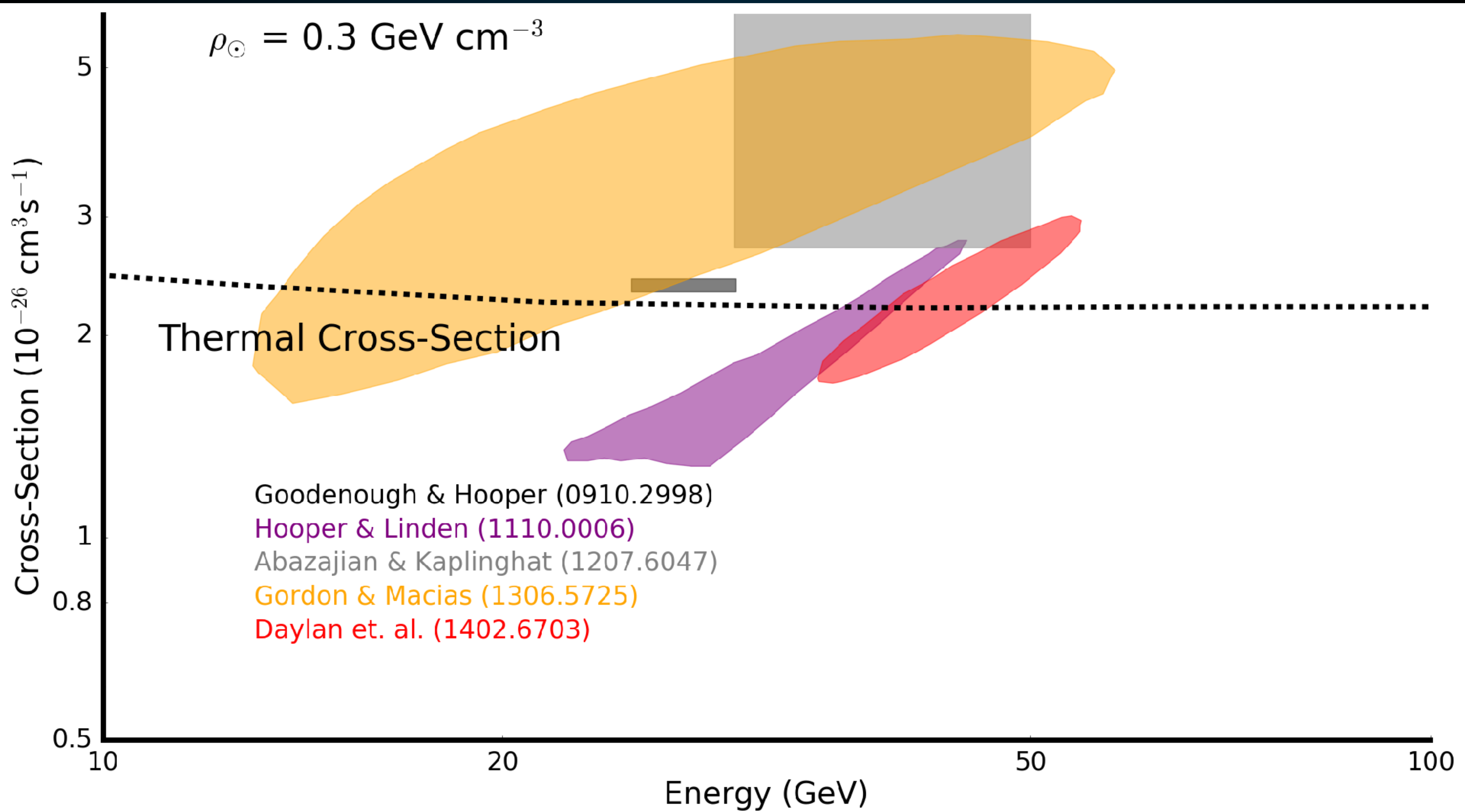
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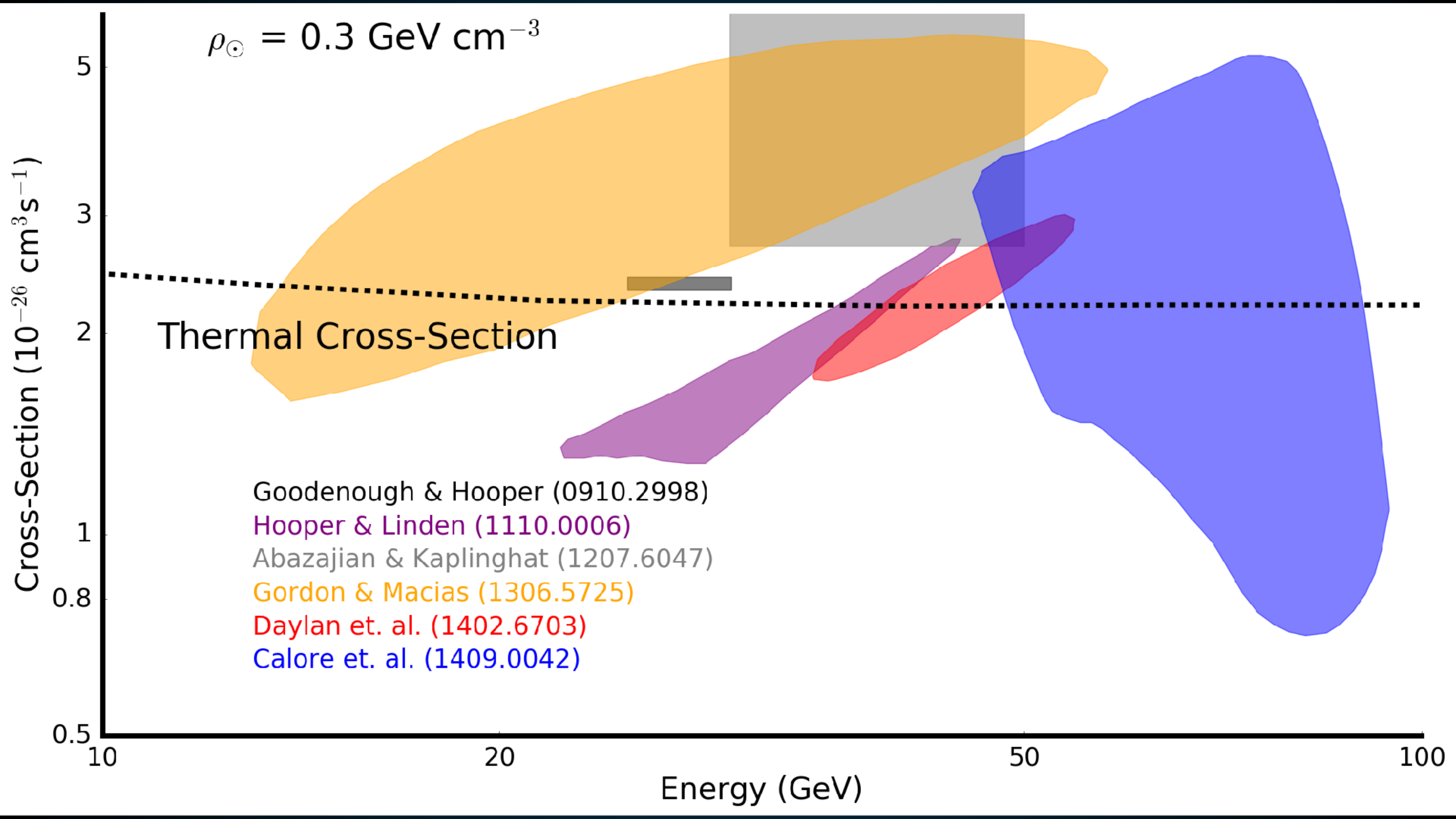
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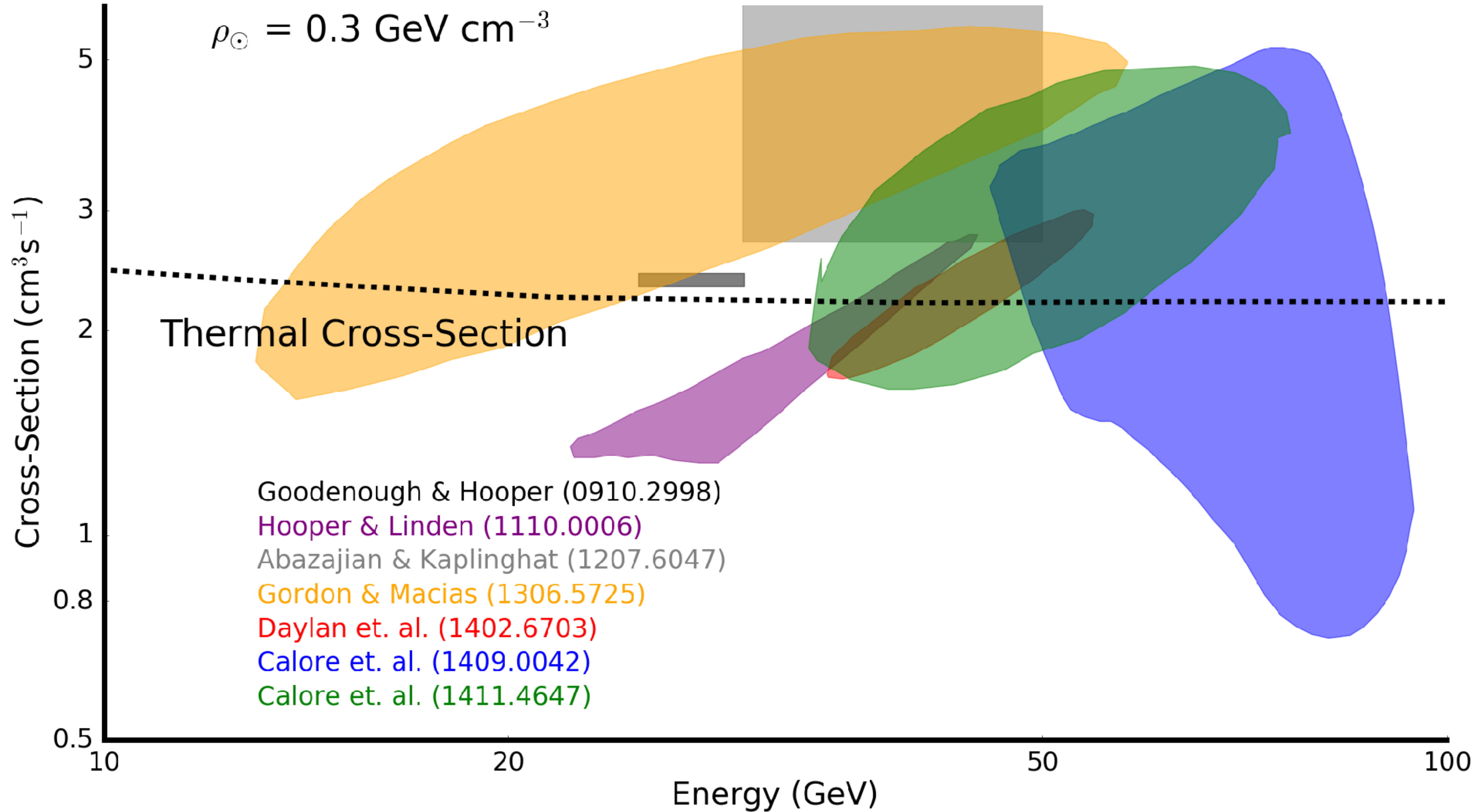
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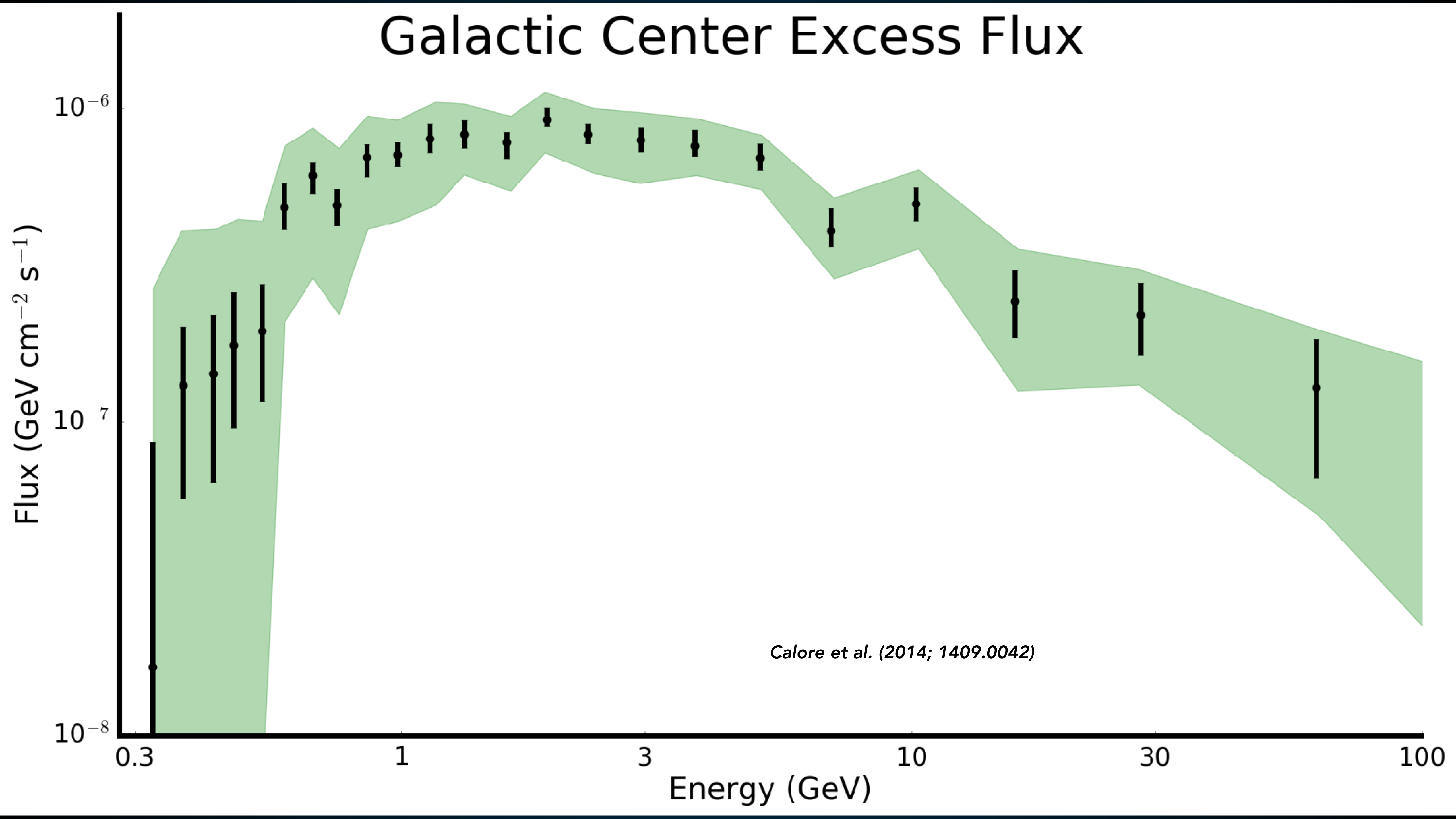
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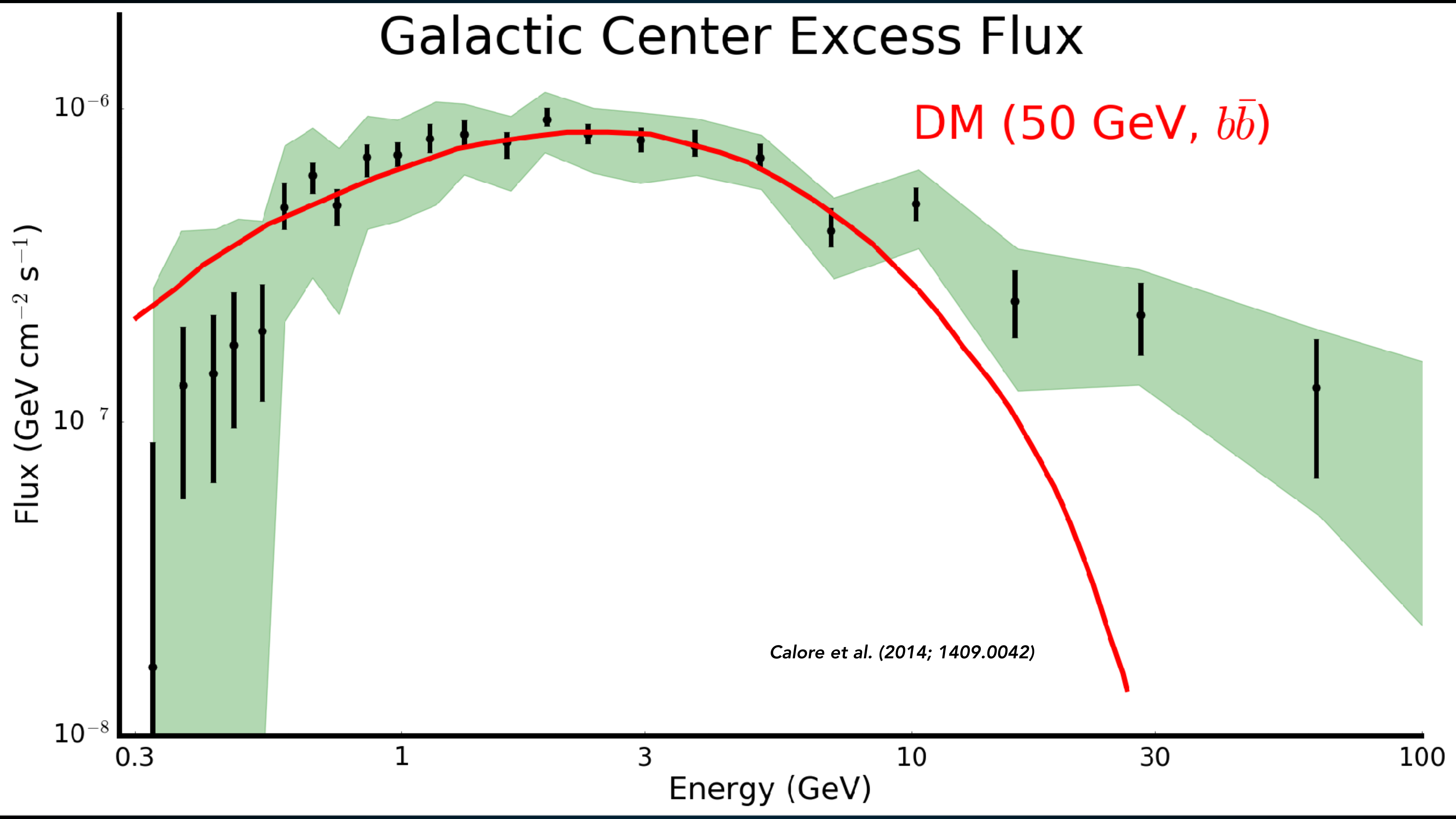
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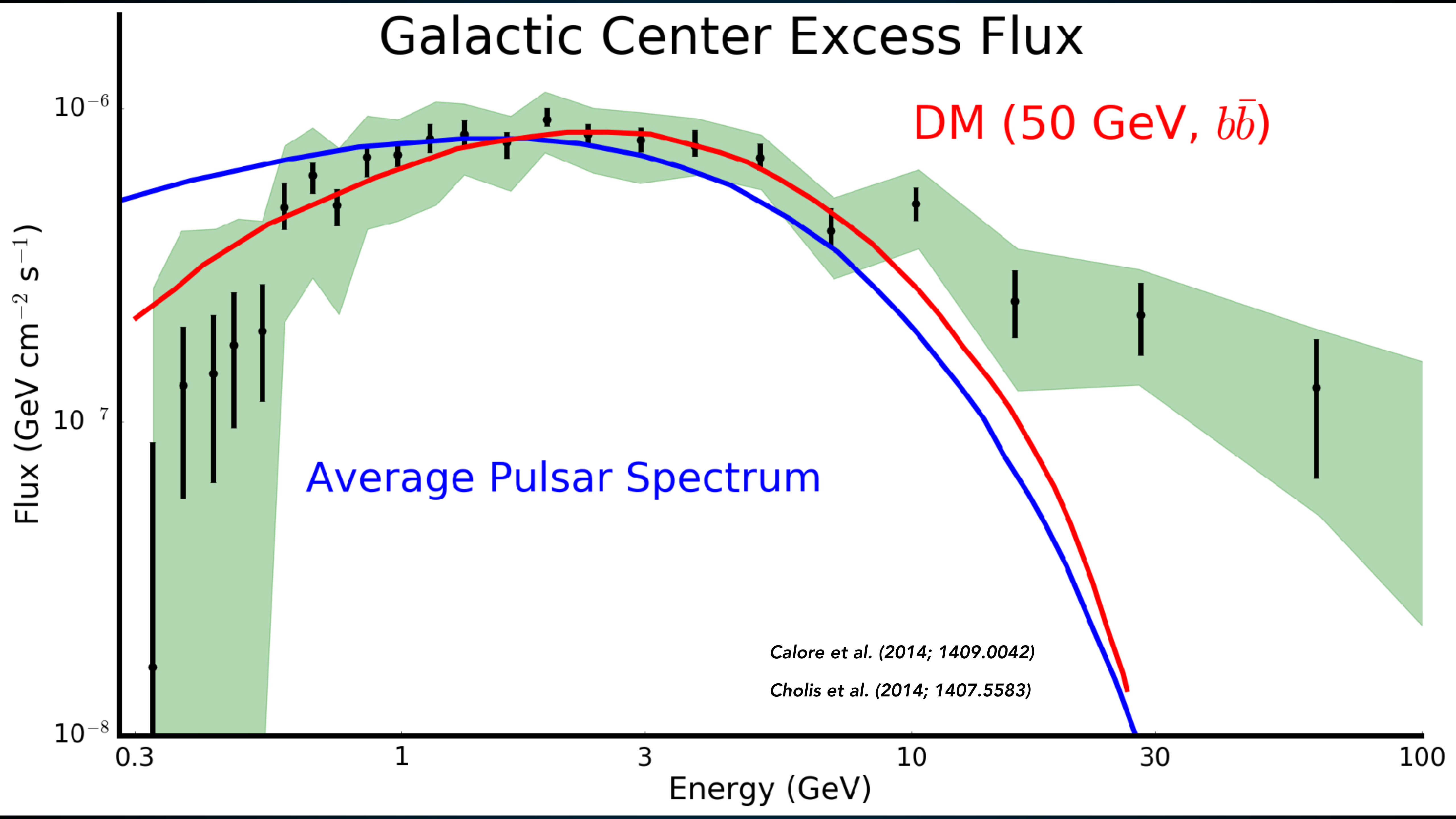
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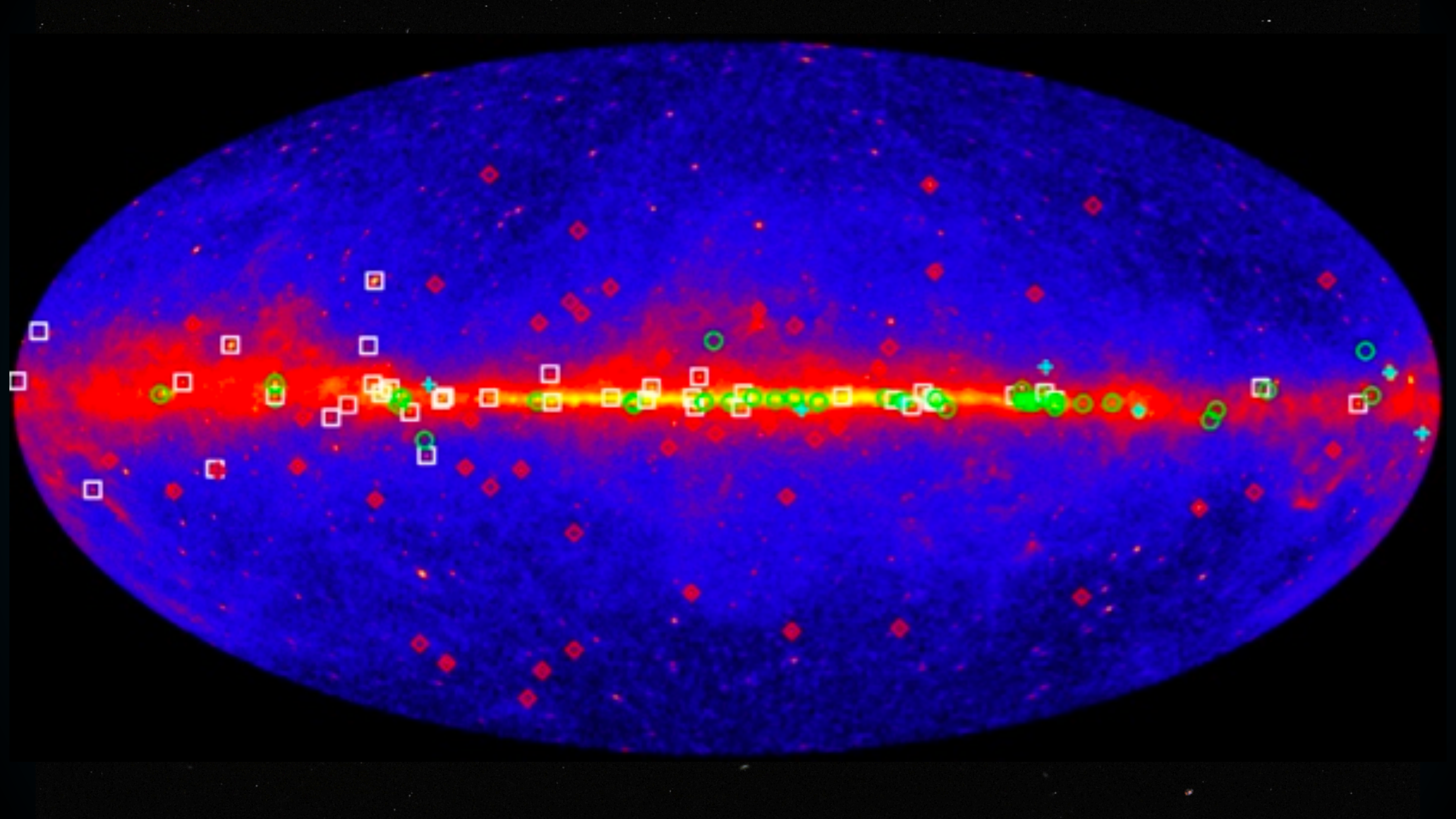


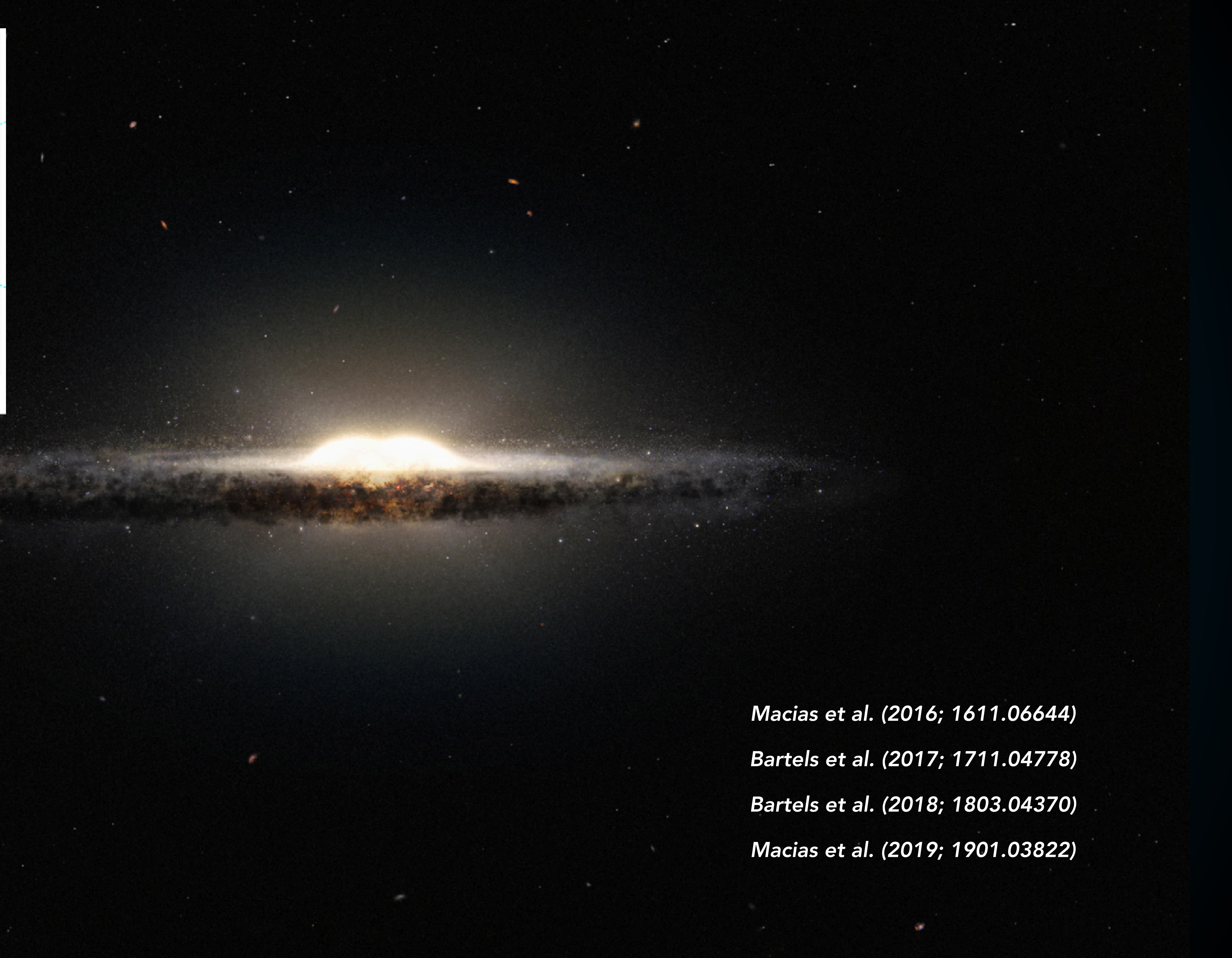
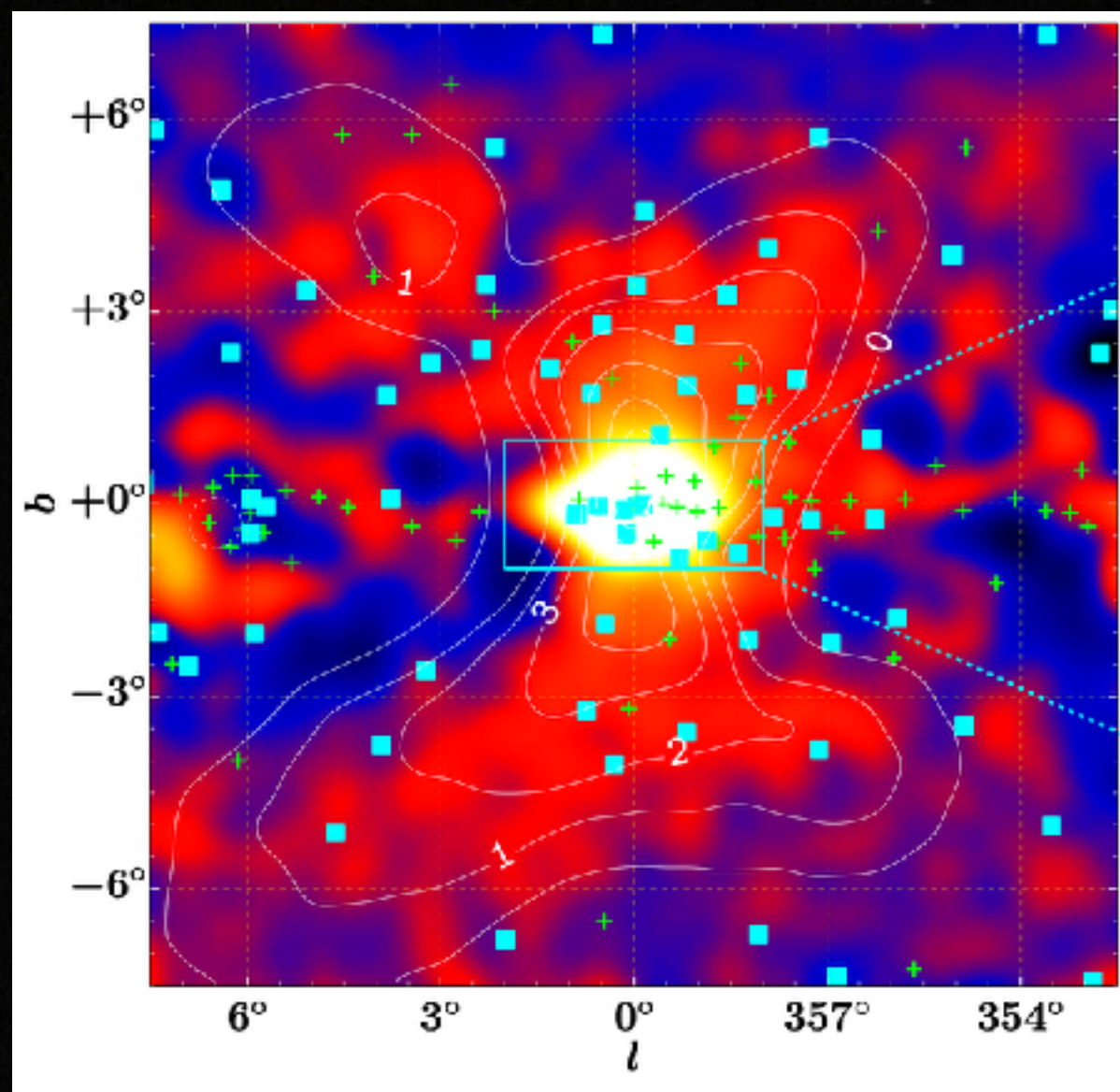
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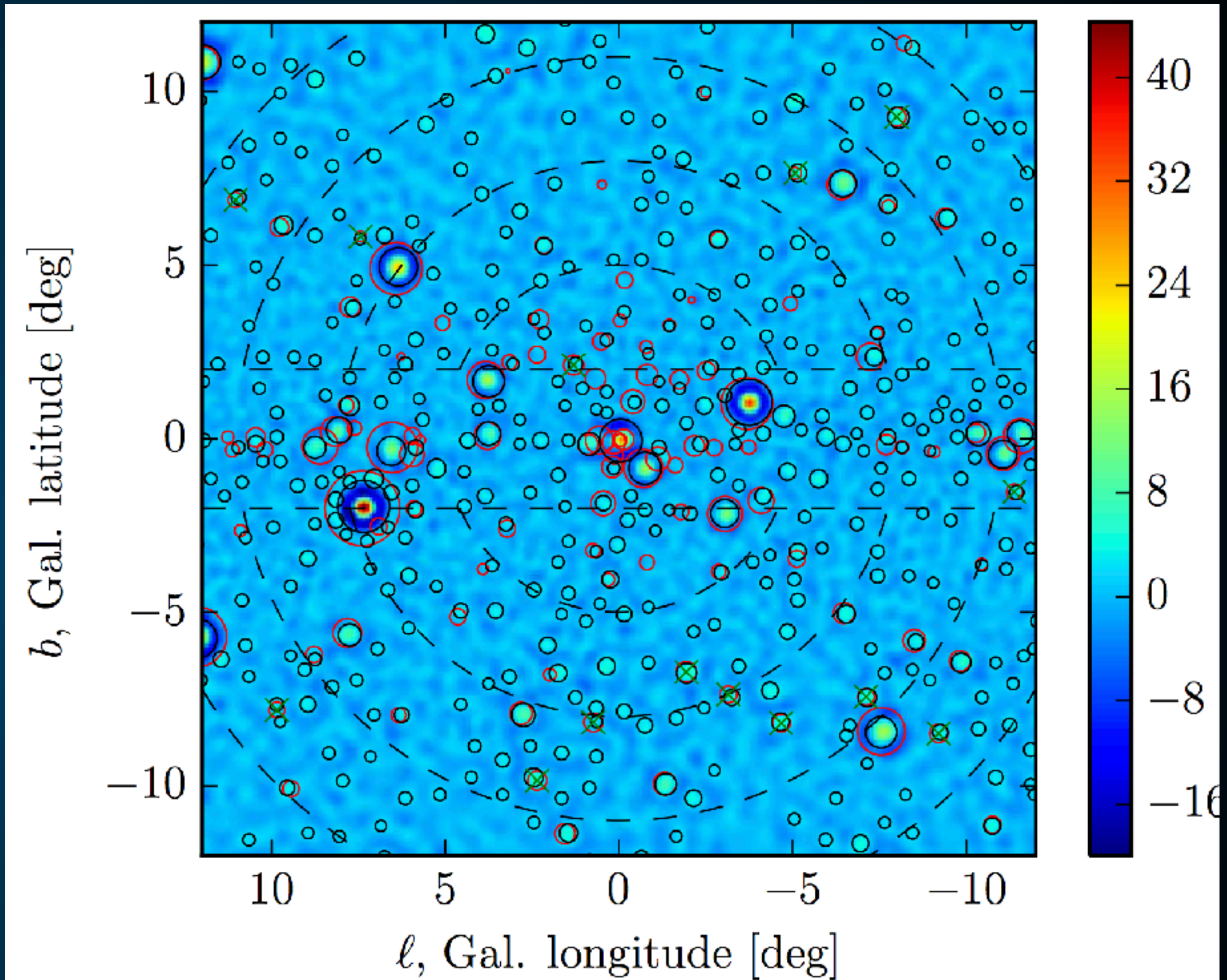
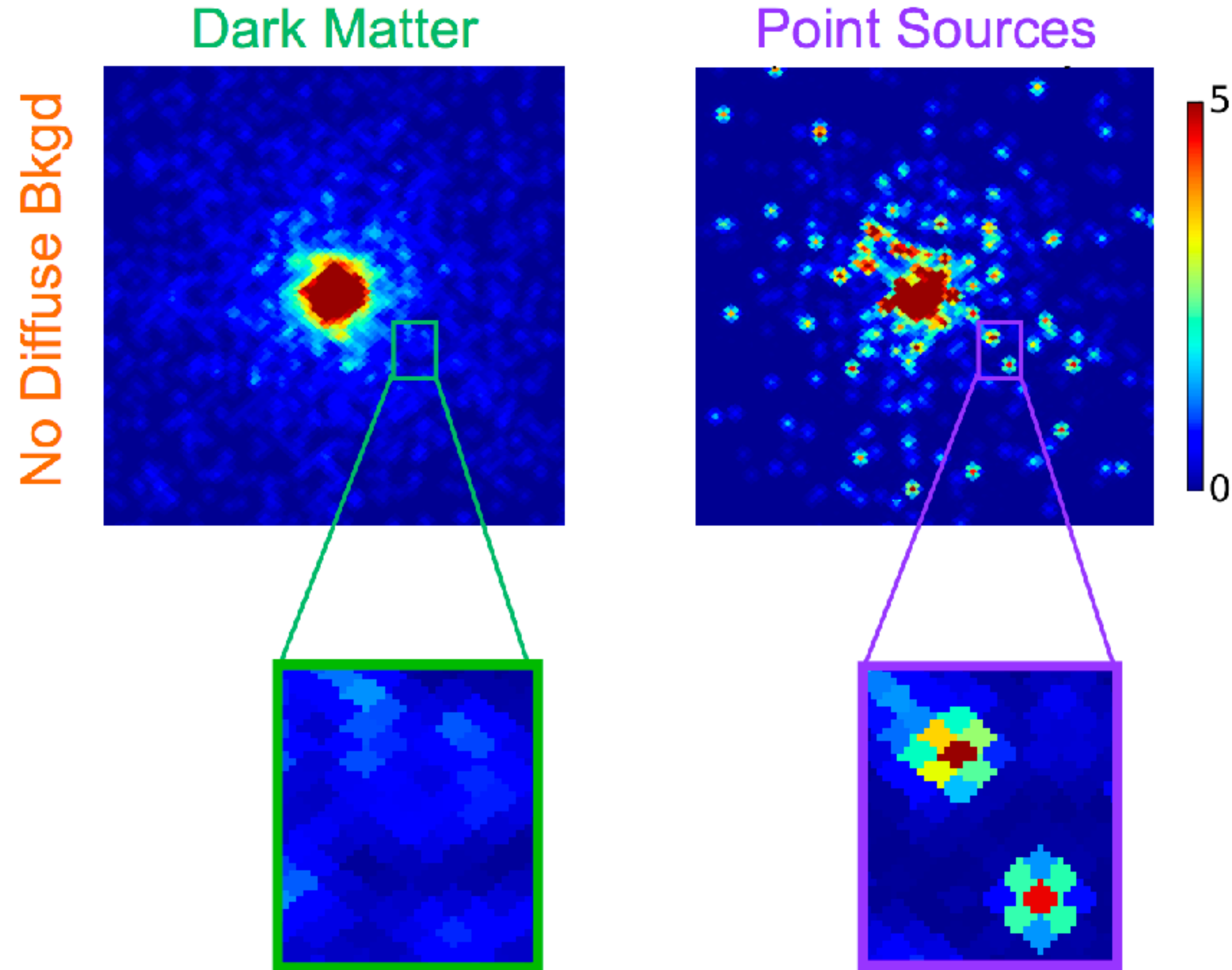
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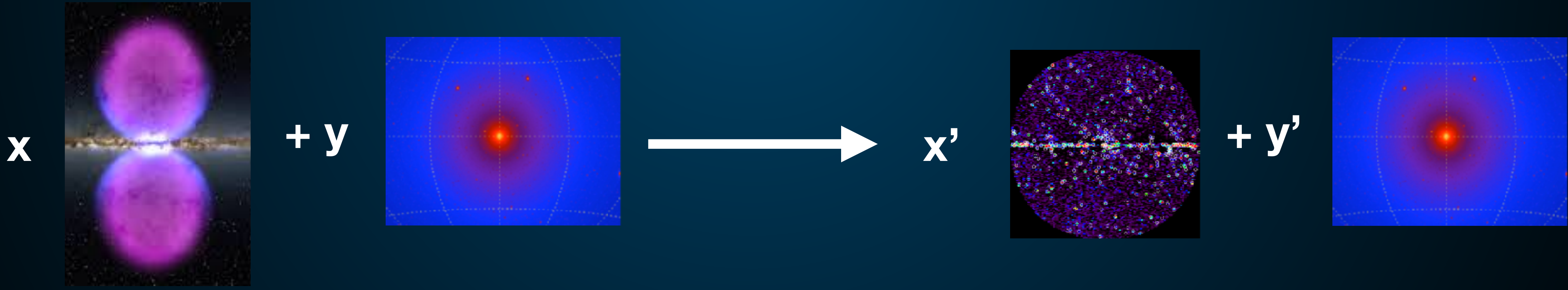
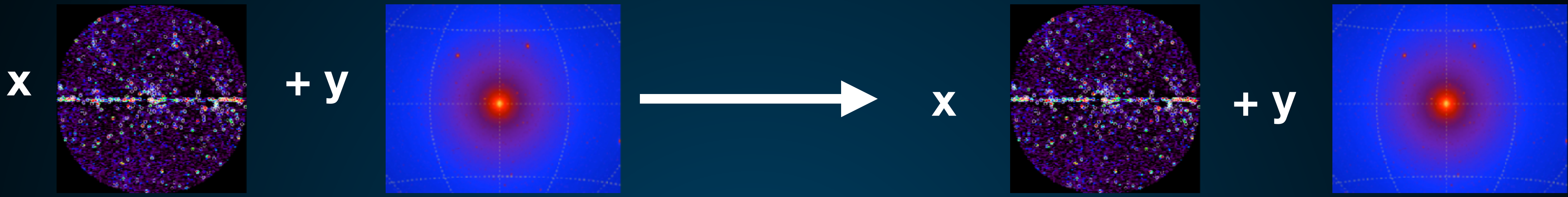
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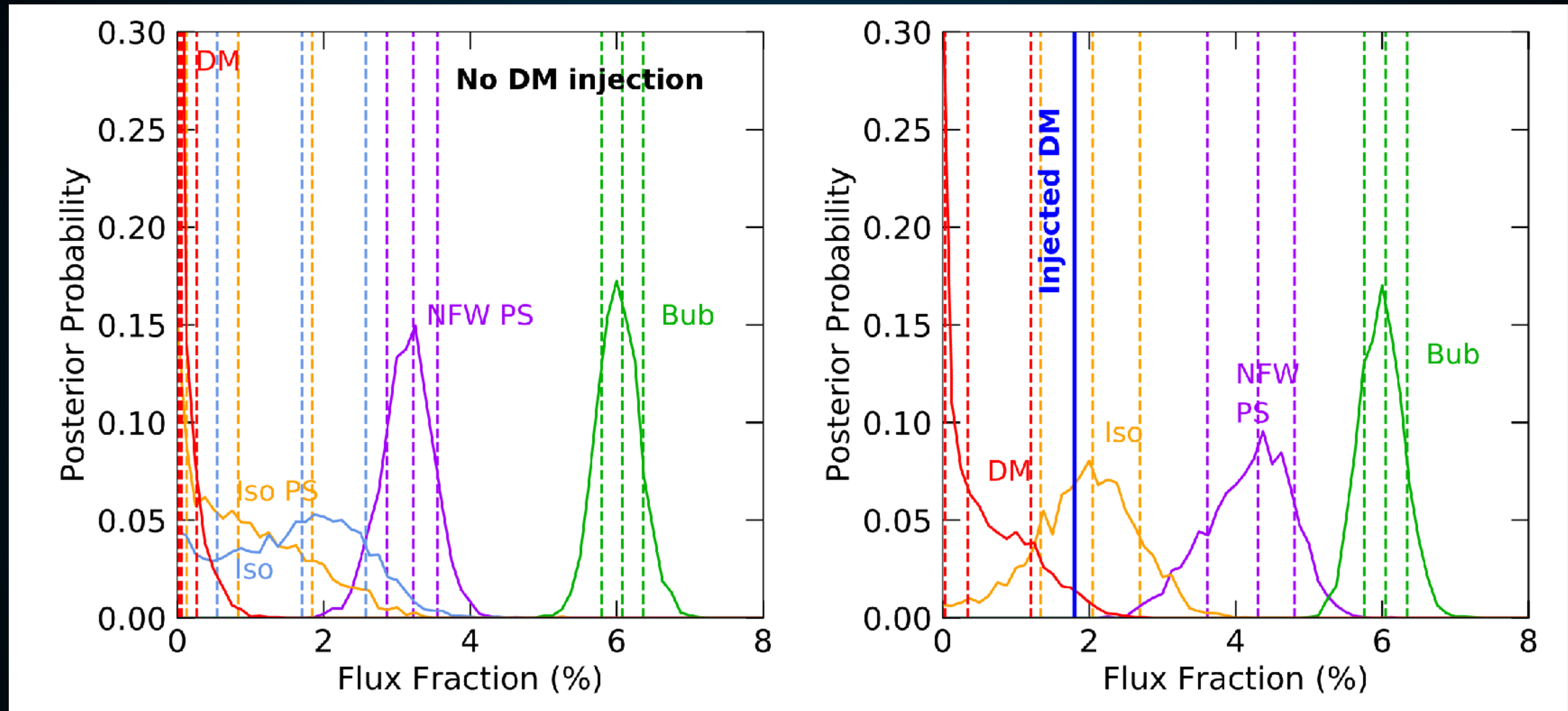


Bulletproof evidence for pulsars?

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Dark Matter Strikes Back at the Galactic Center

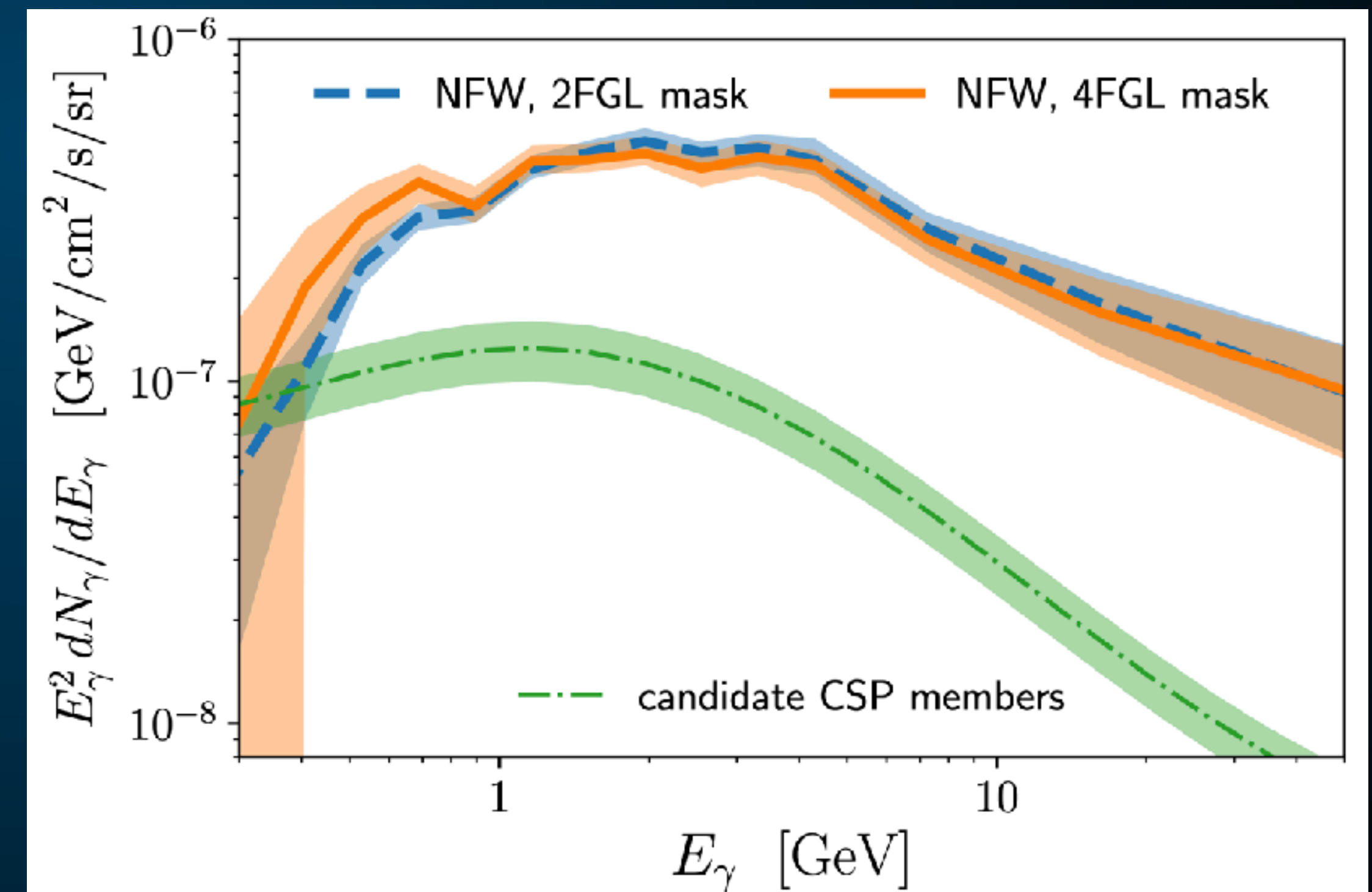
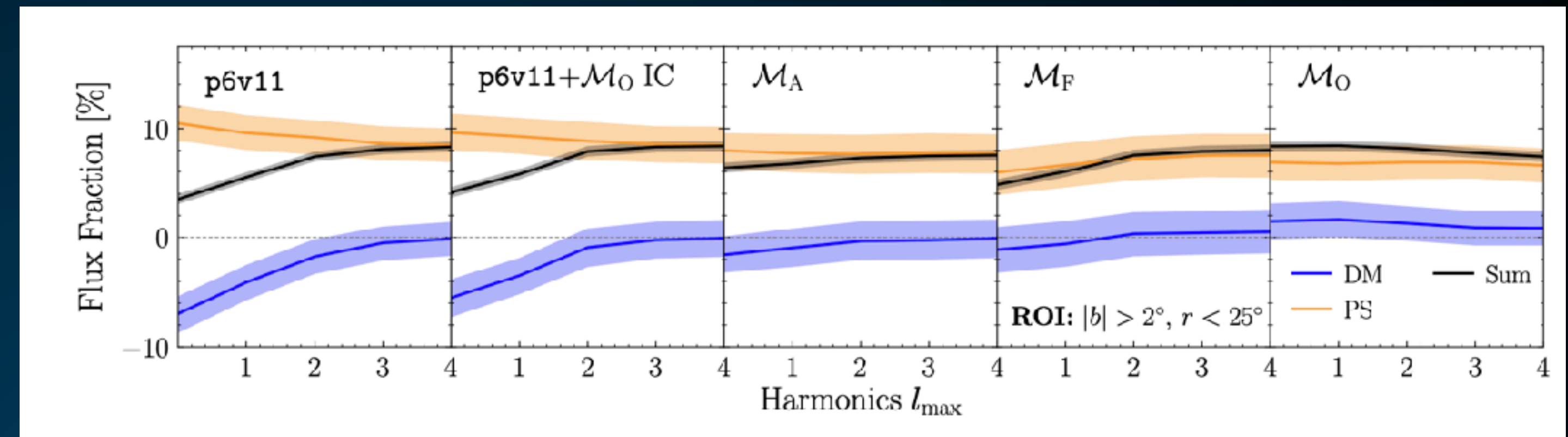
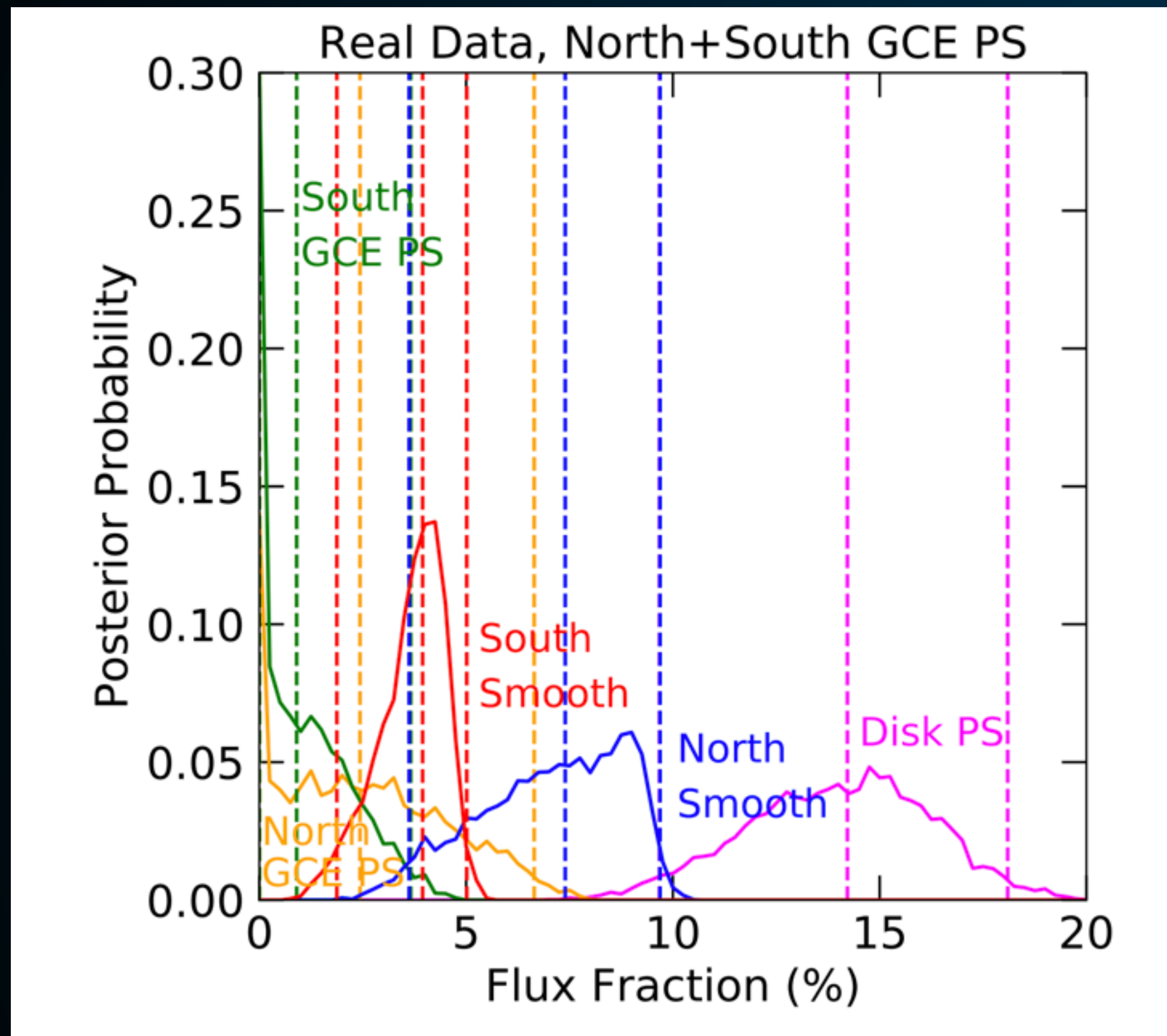
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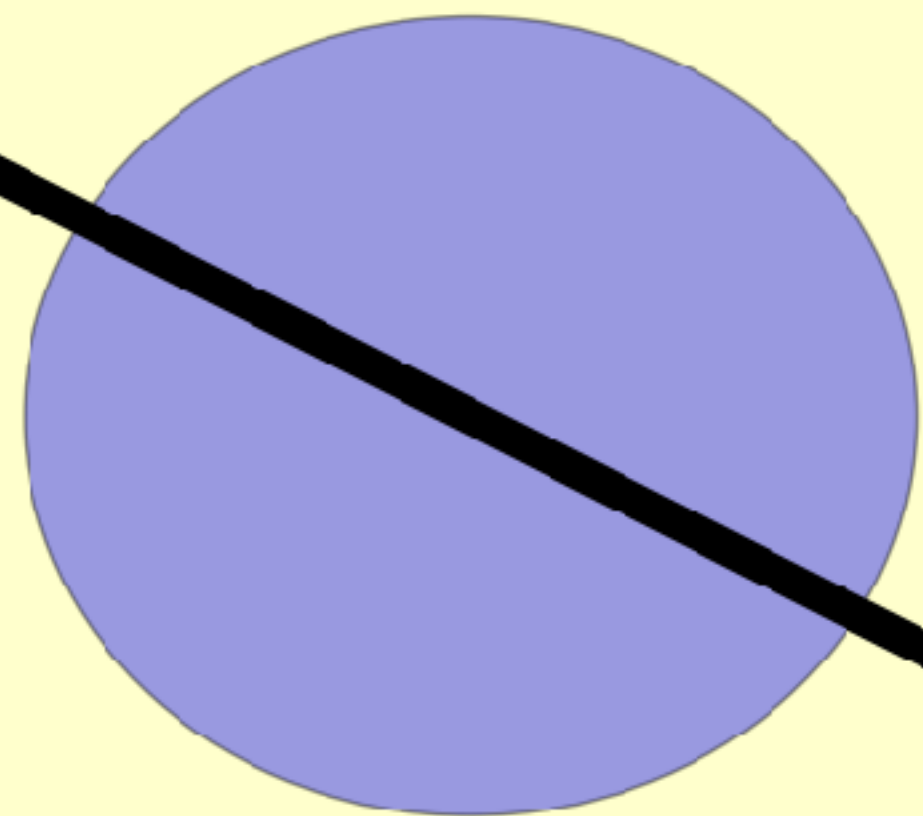
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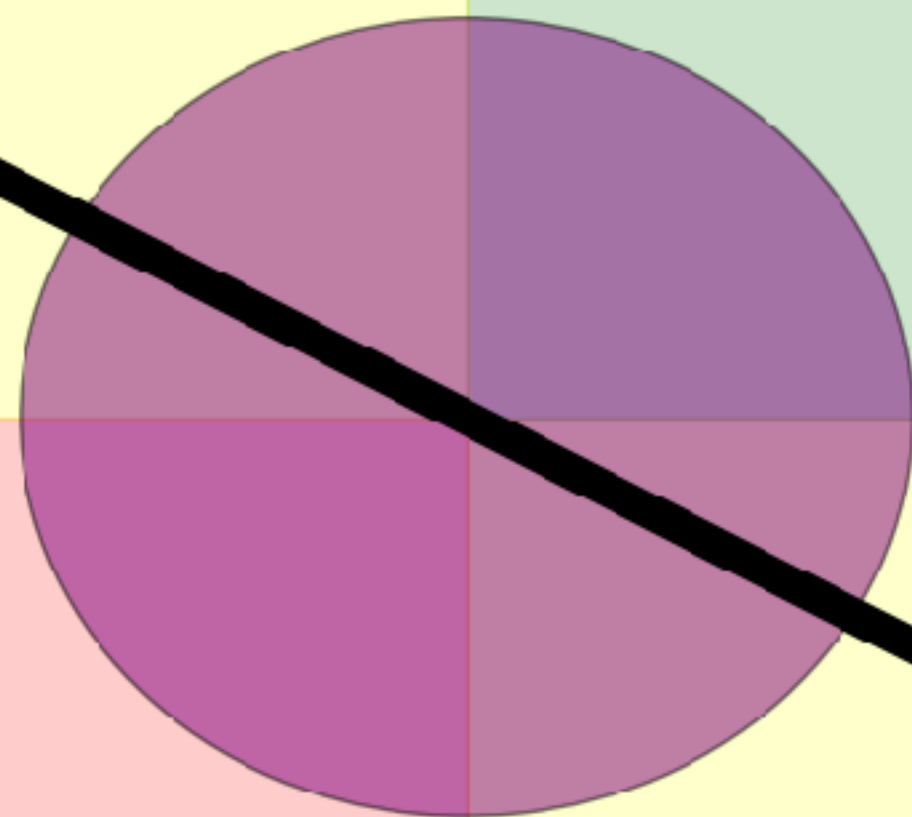


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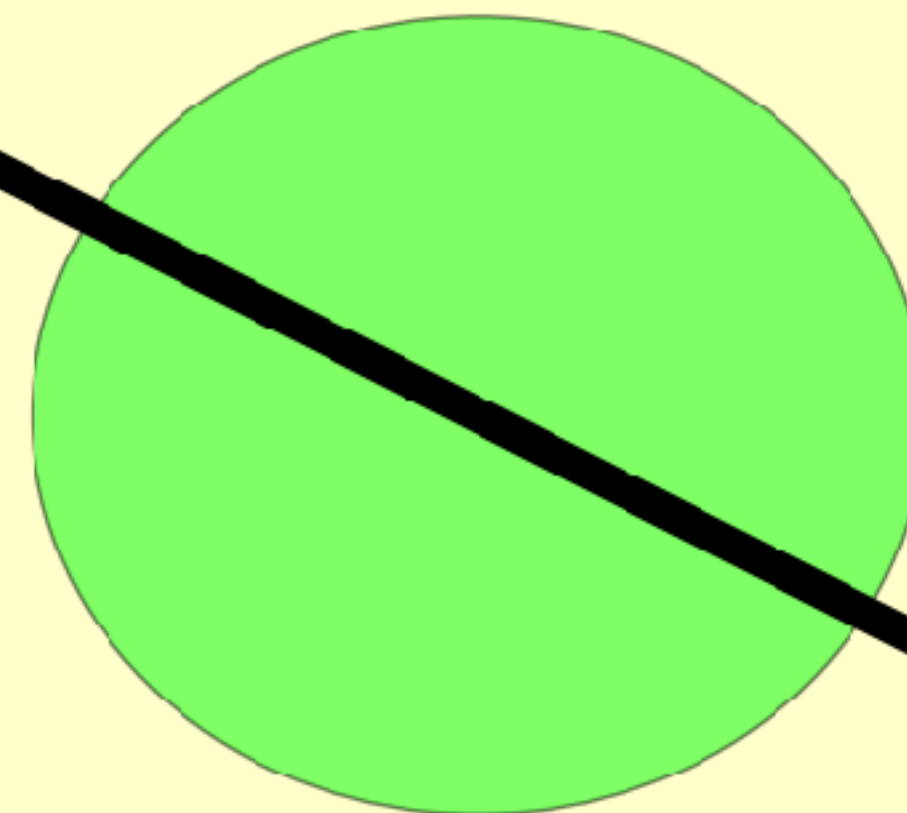
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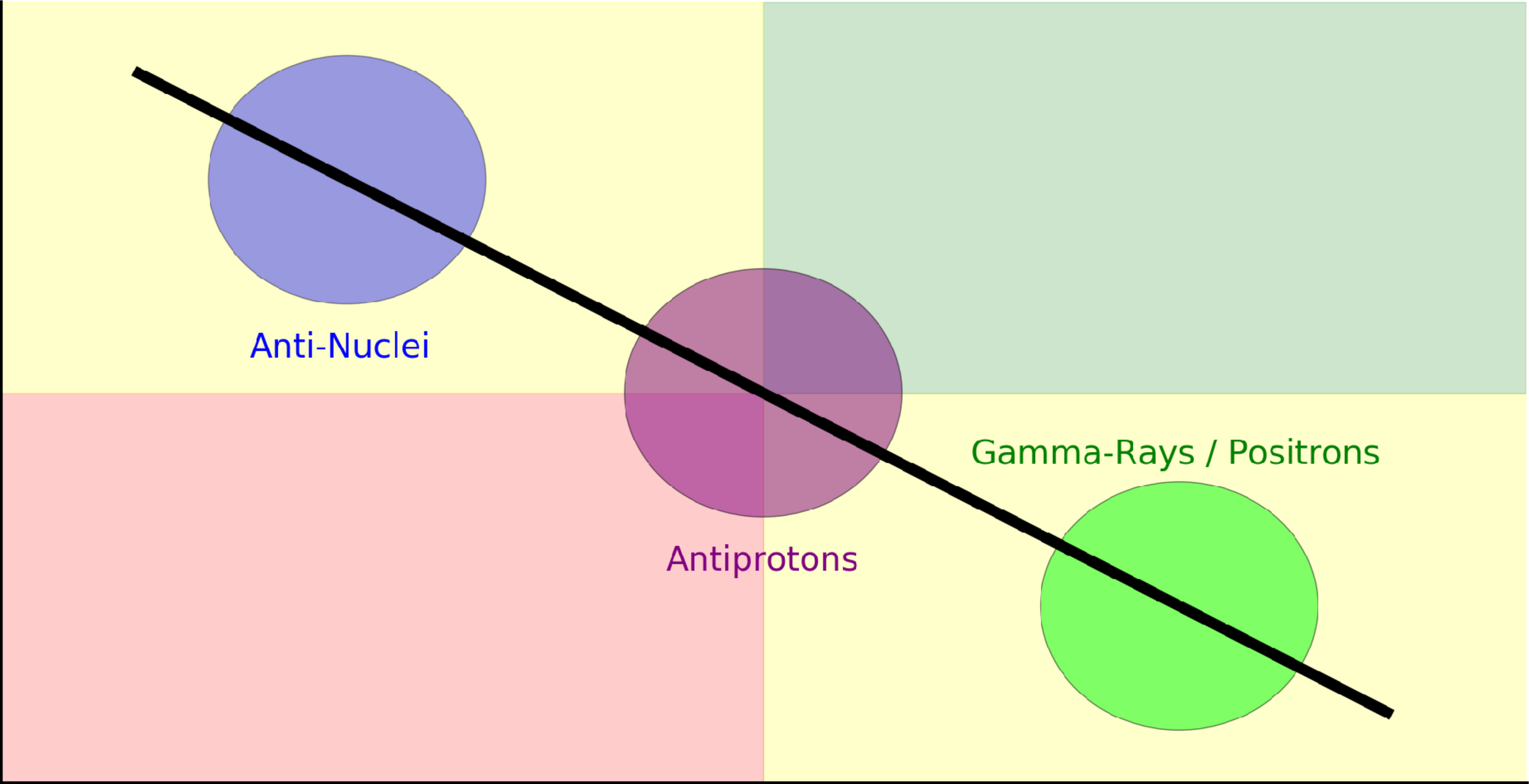
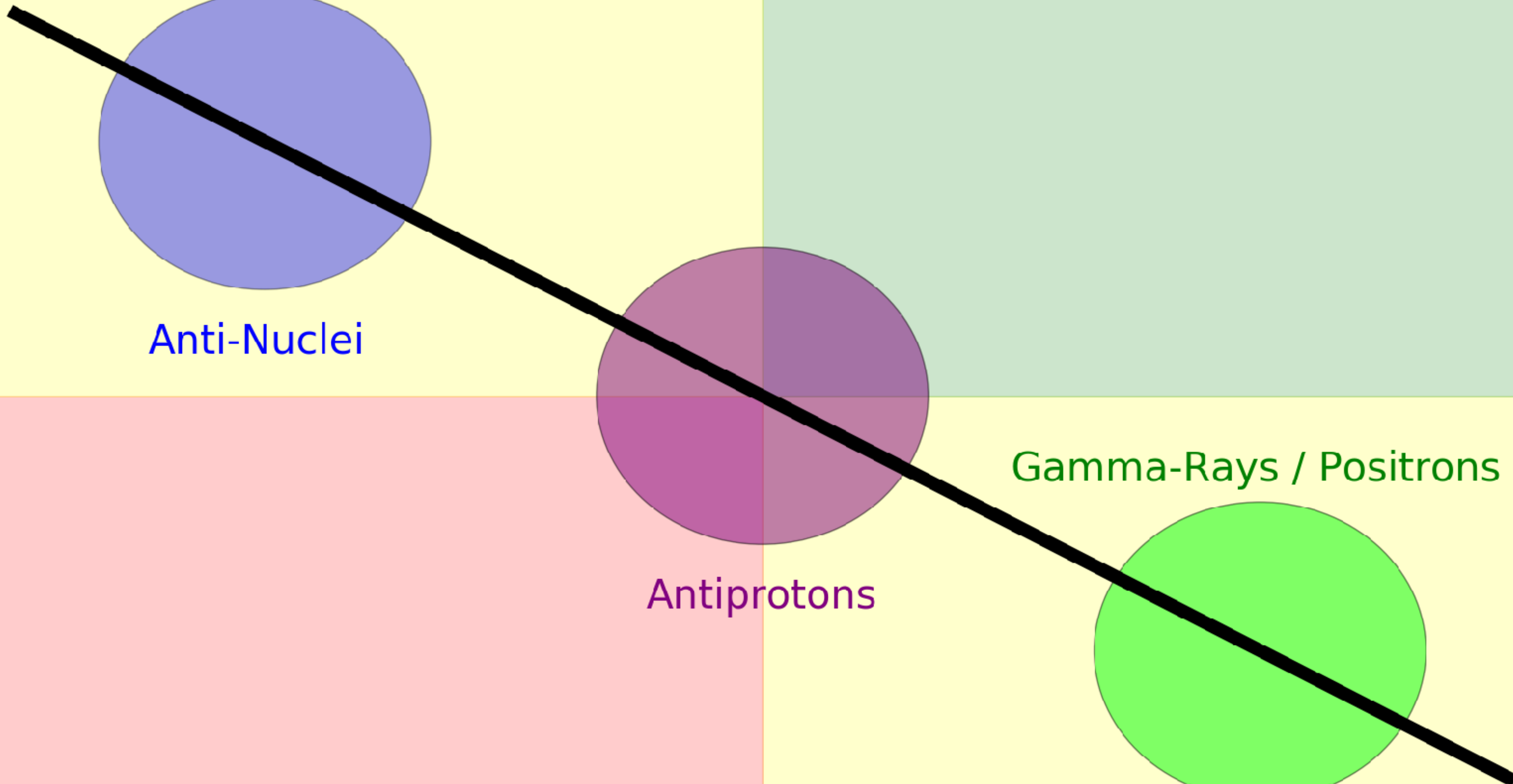


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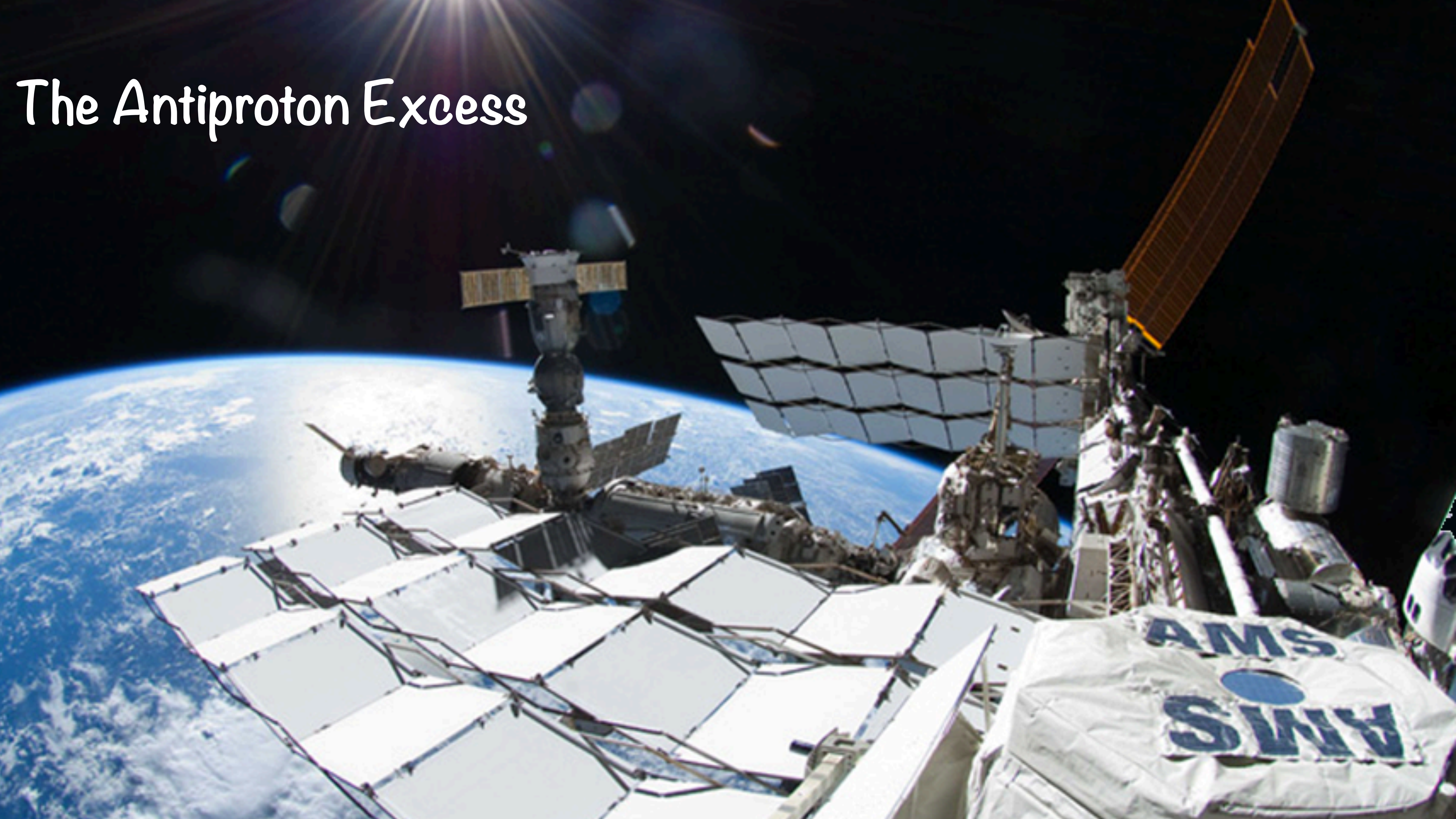


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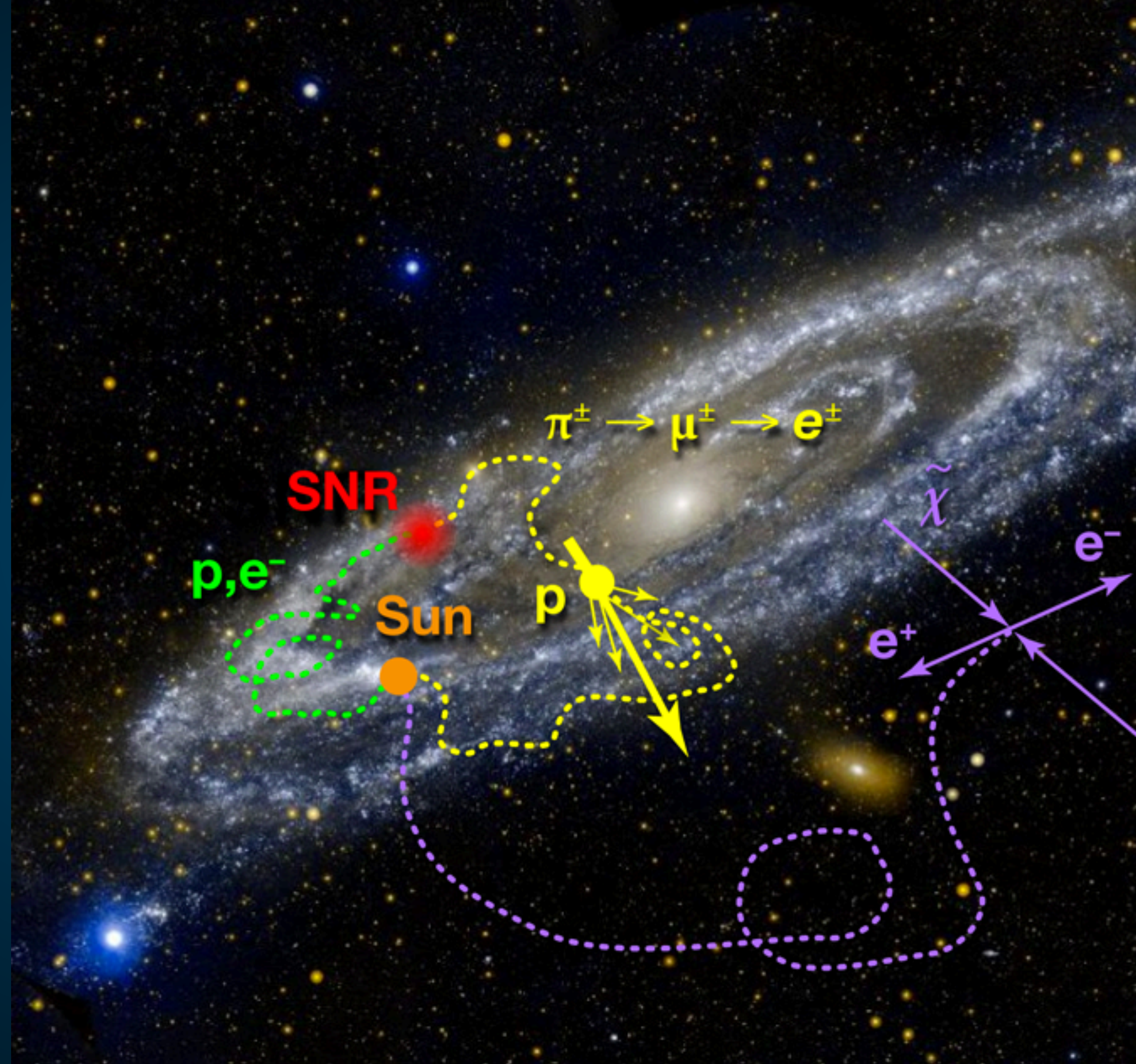
Investigate the Antiproton Fraction!

$$\frac{\phi_{\bar{p}}}{\phi_p}$$

Two Changes:

Ratio is much smaller (don't need to add antiprotons into denominator).

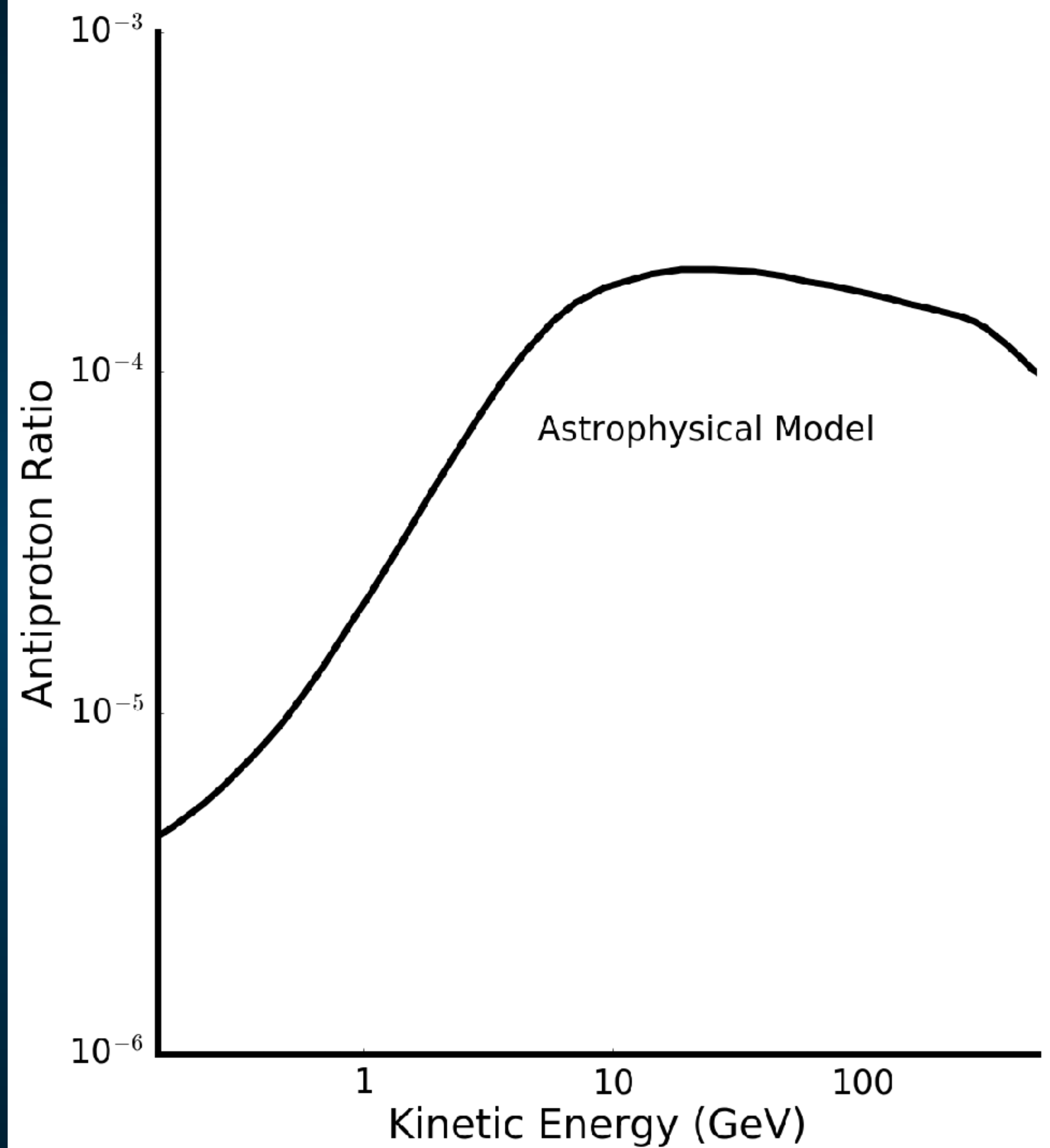
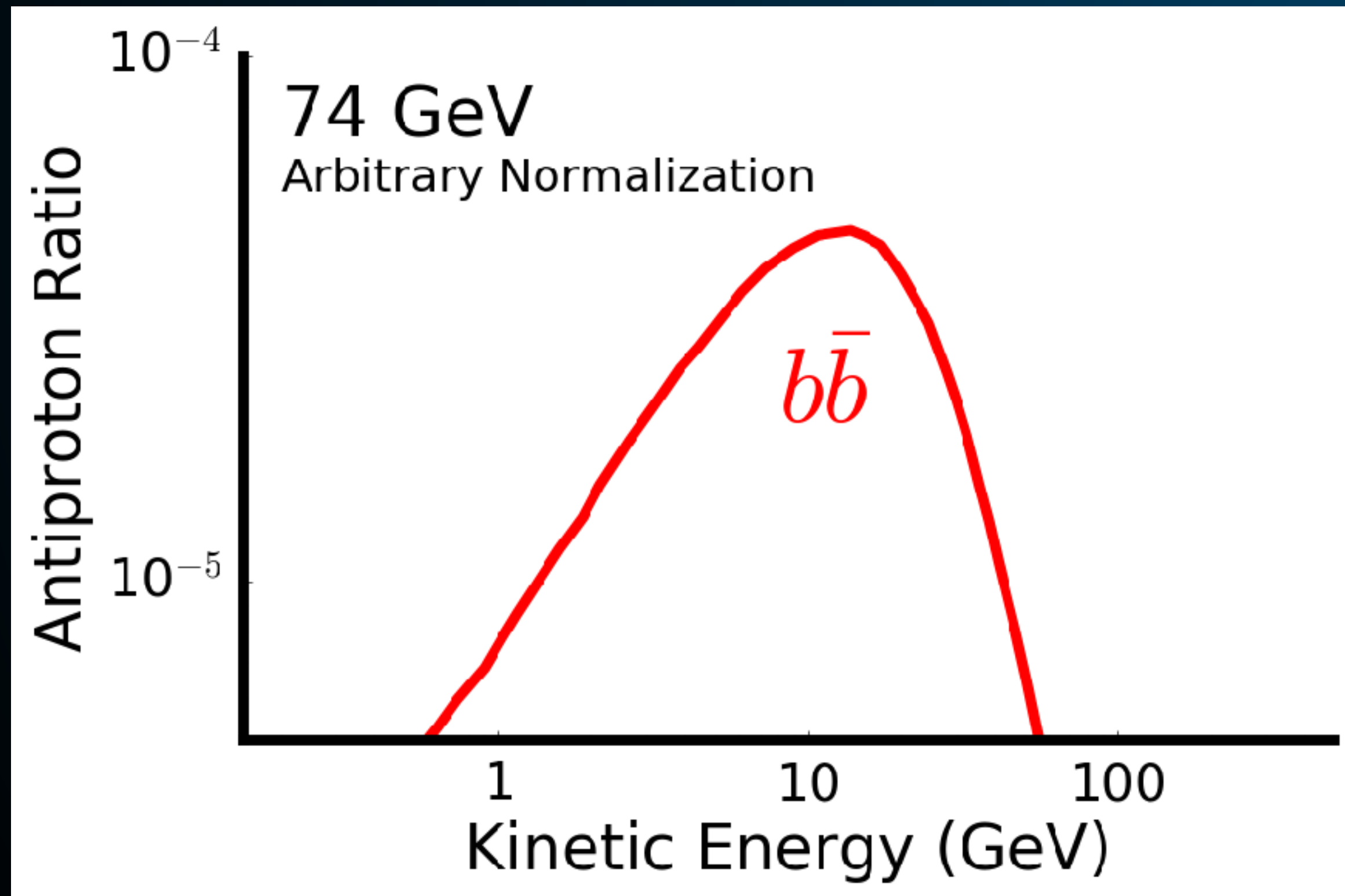
Hadronic Energy losses are slower (sensitive to antiproton production throughout the Galaxy)



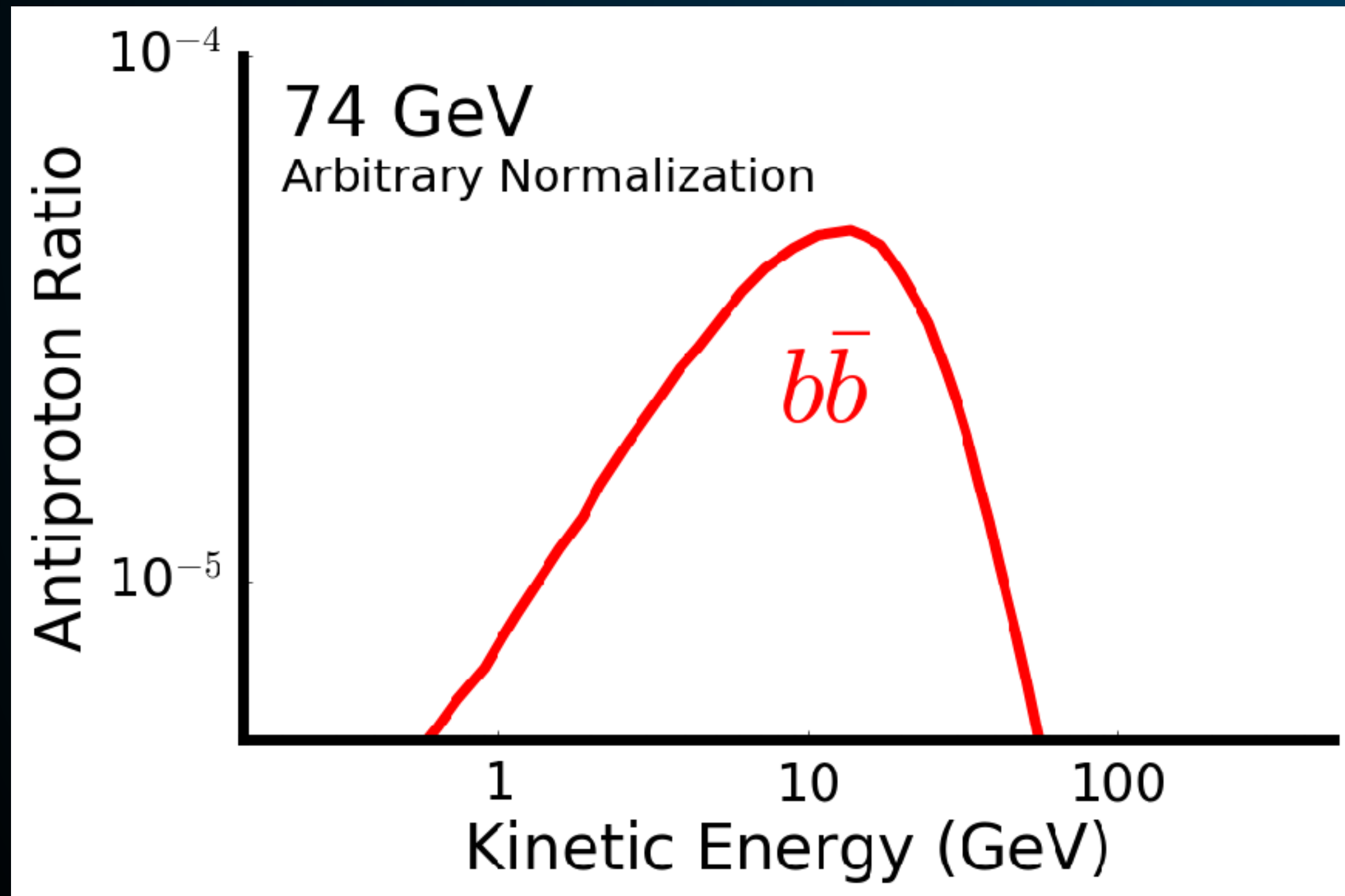
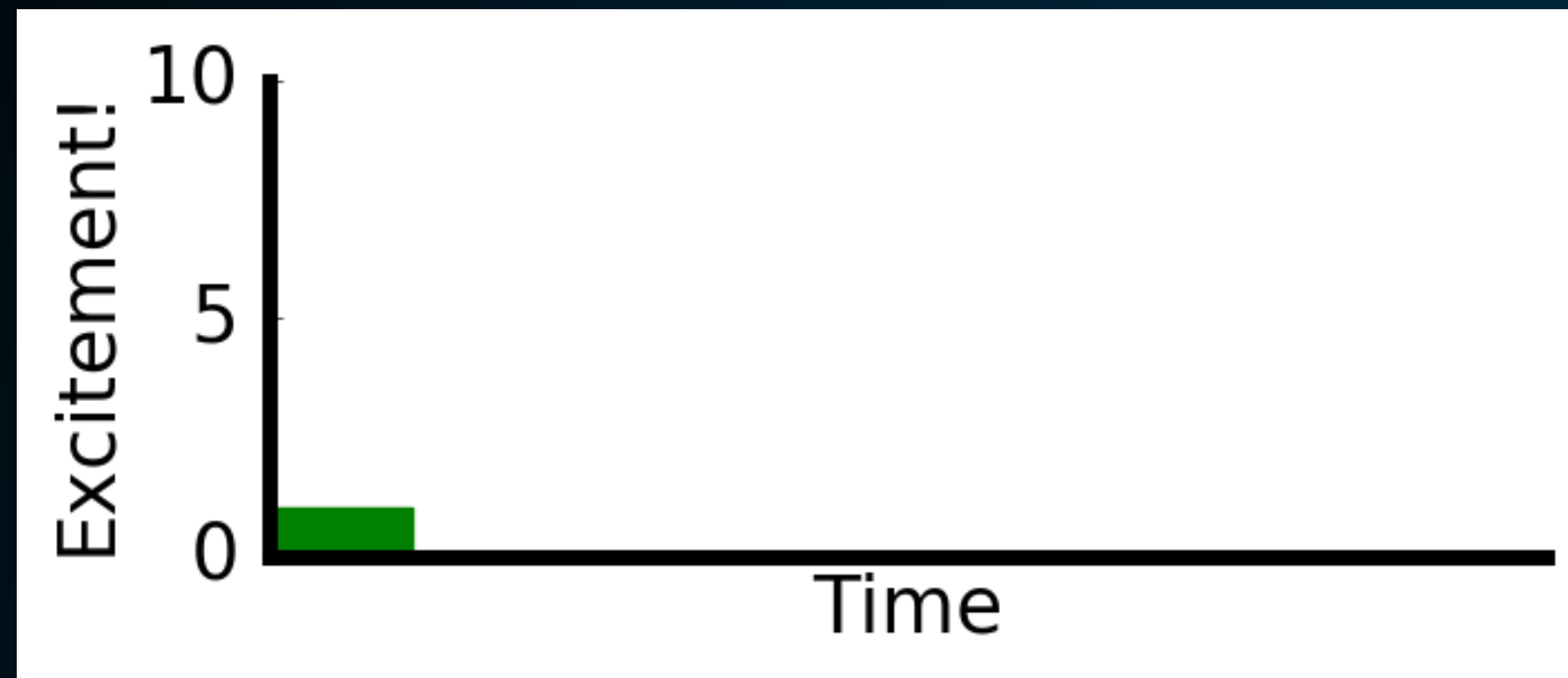
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Astrophysics - Smooth Profile

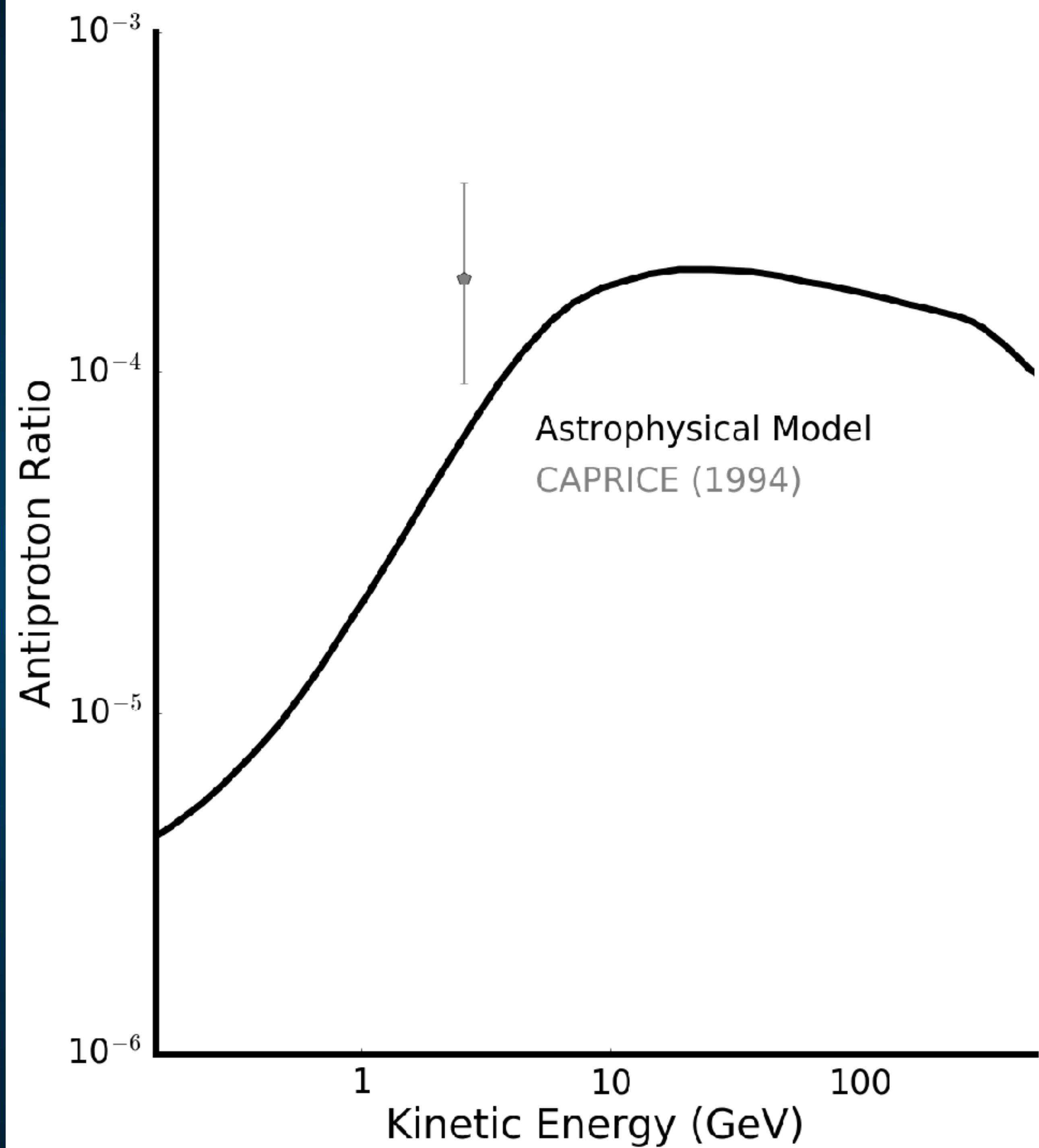
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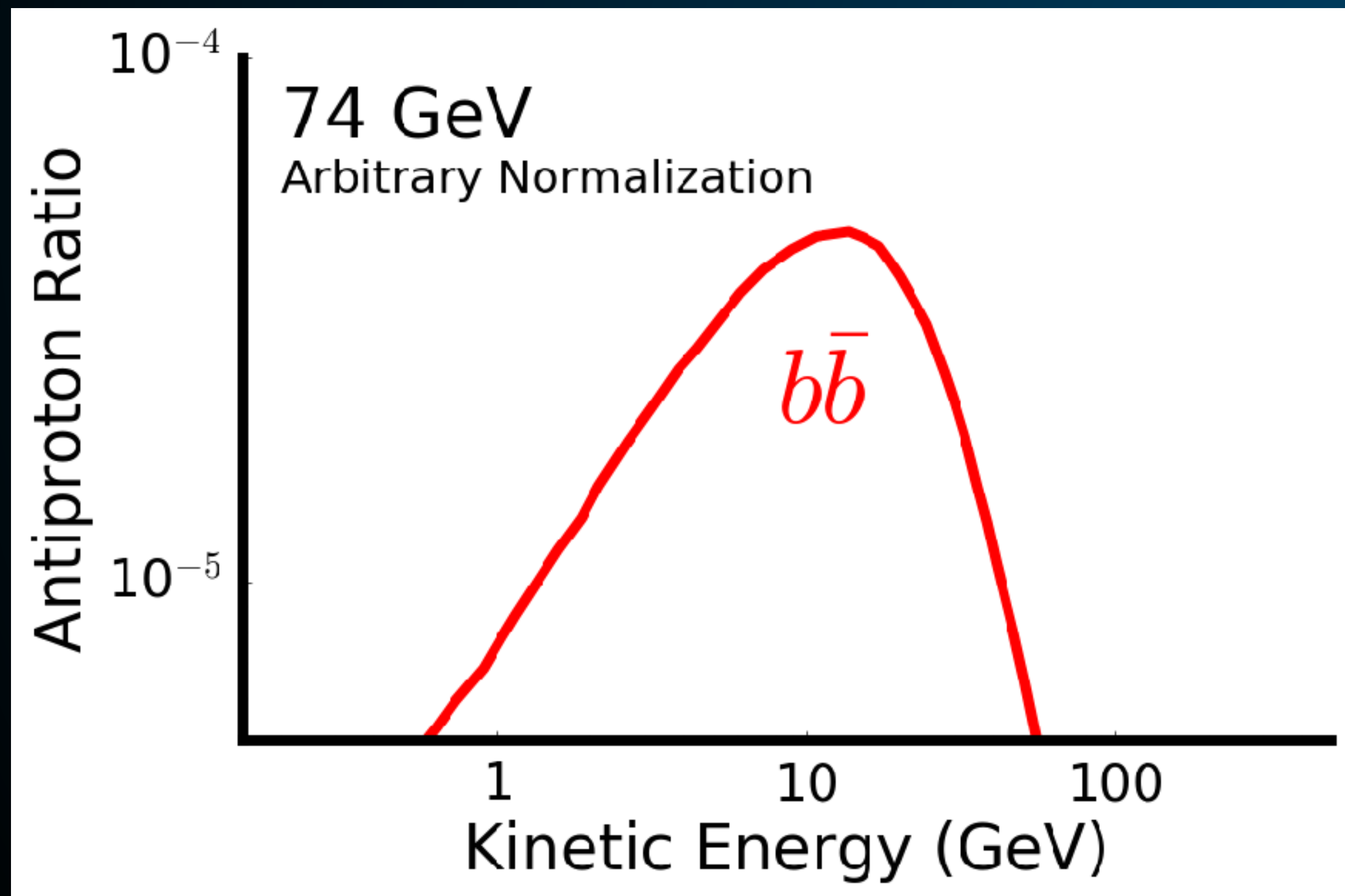
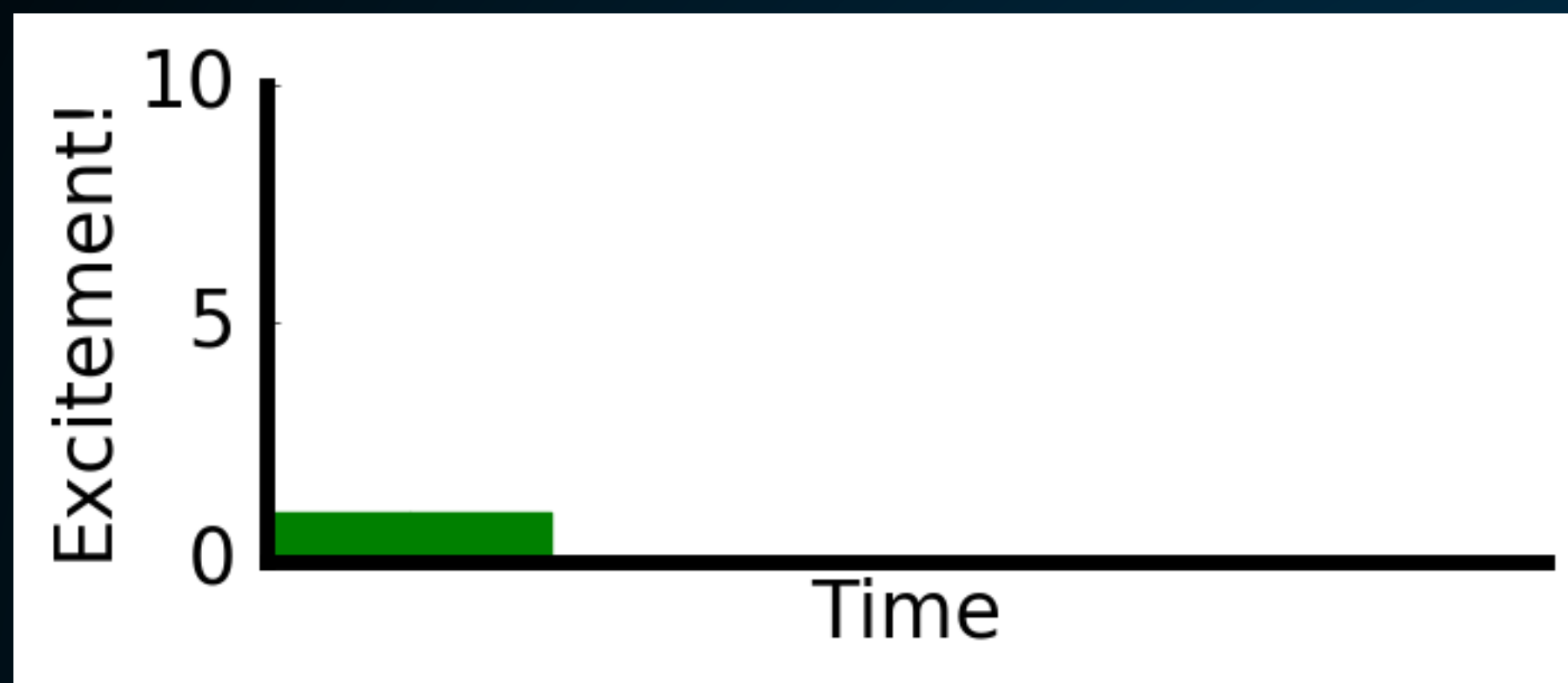
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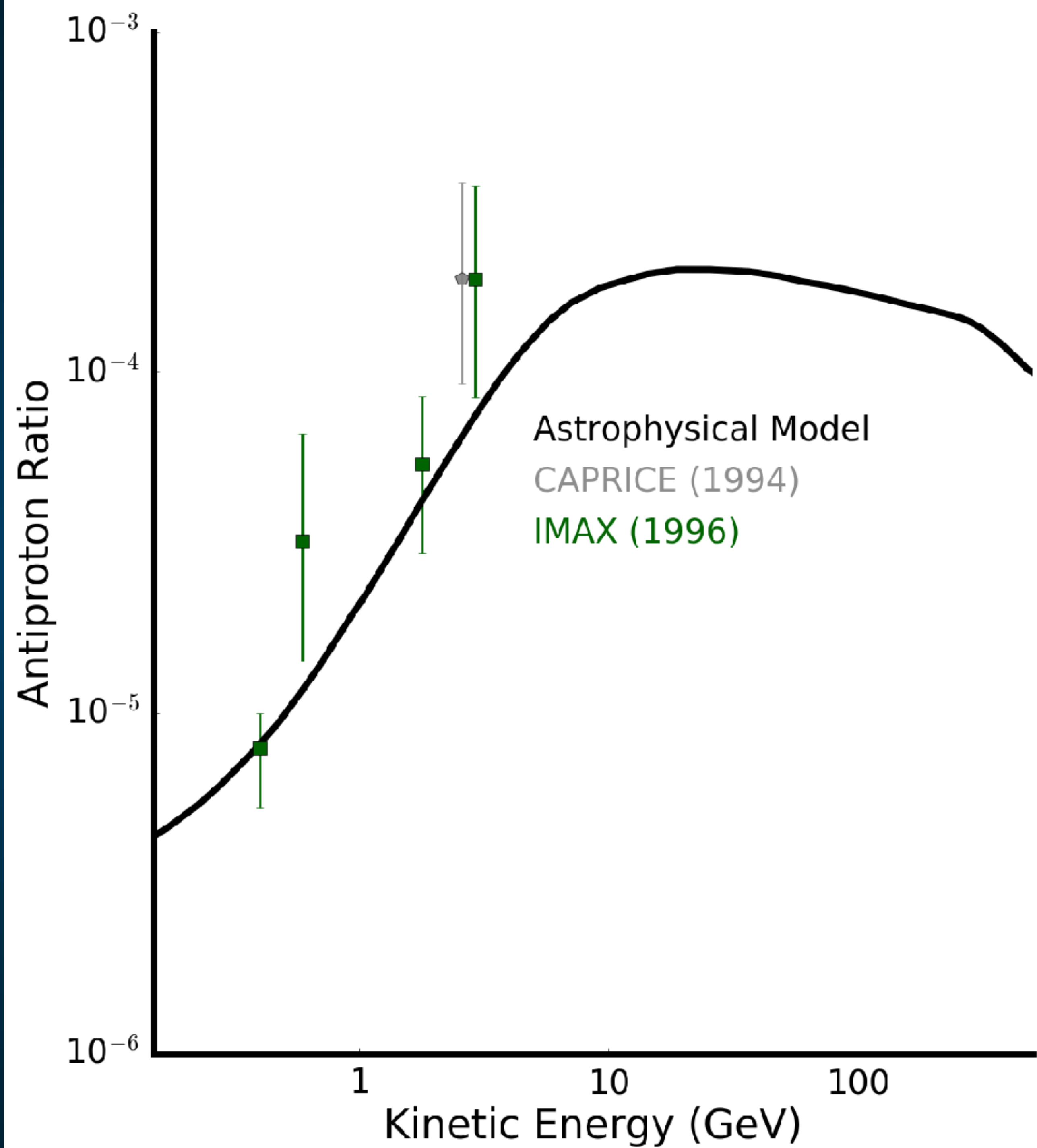
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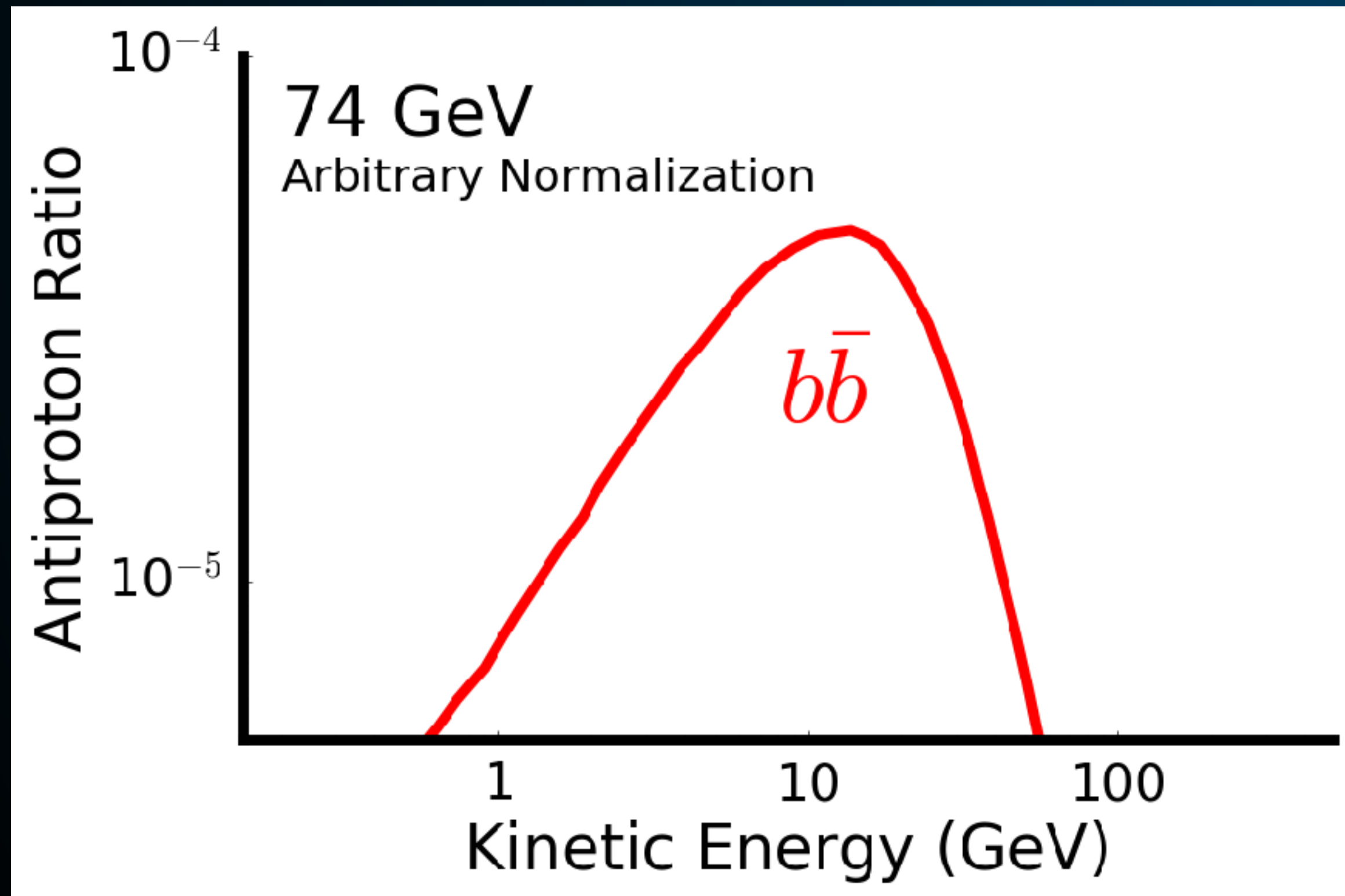
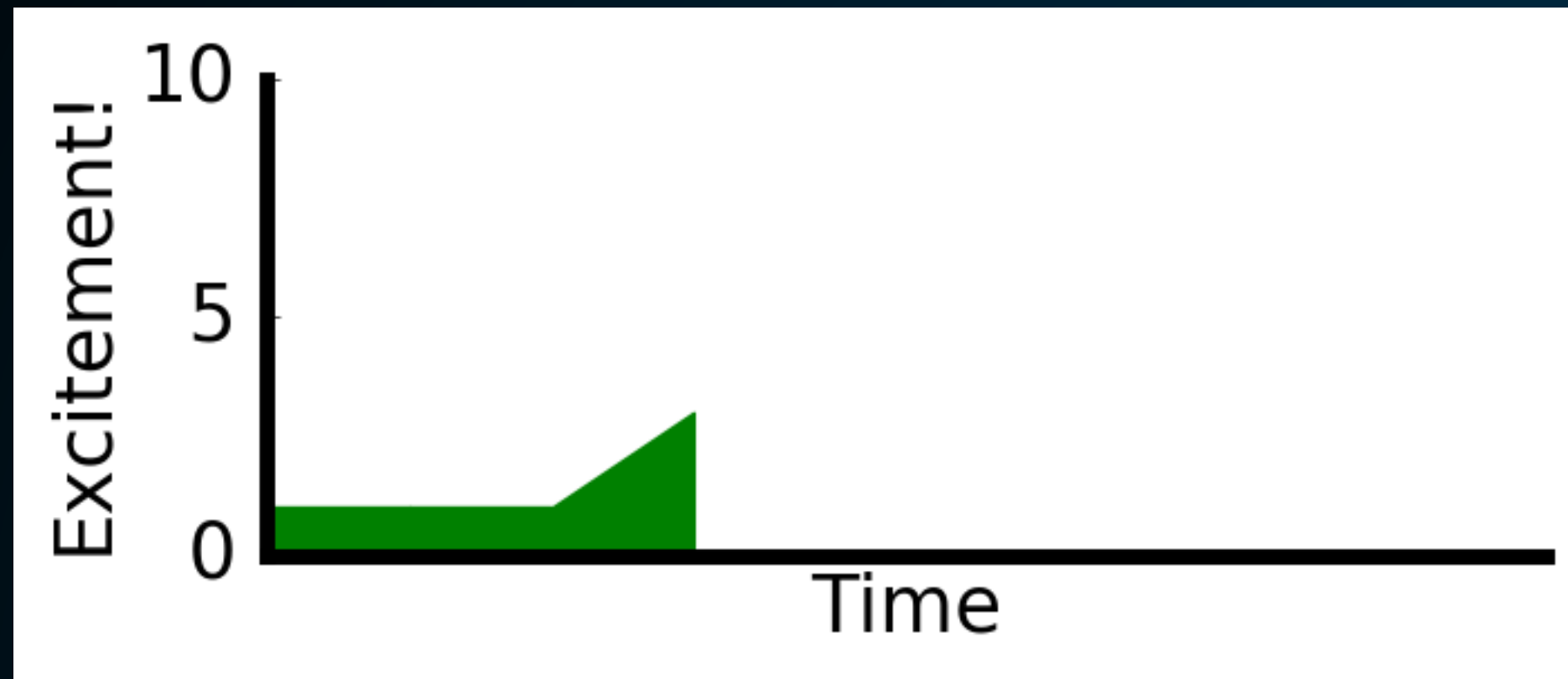
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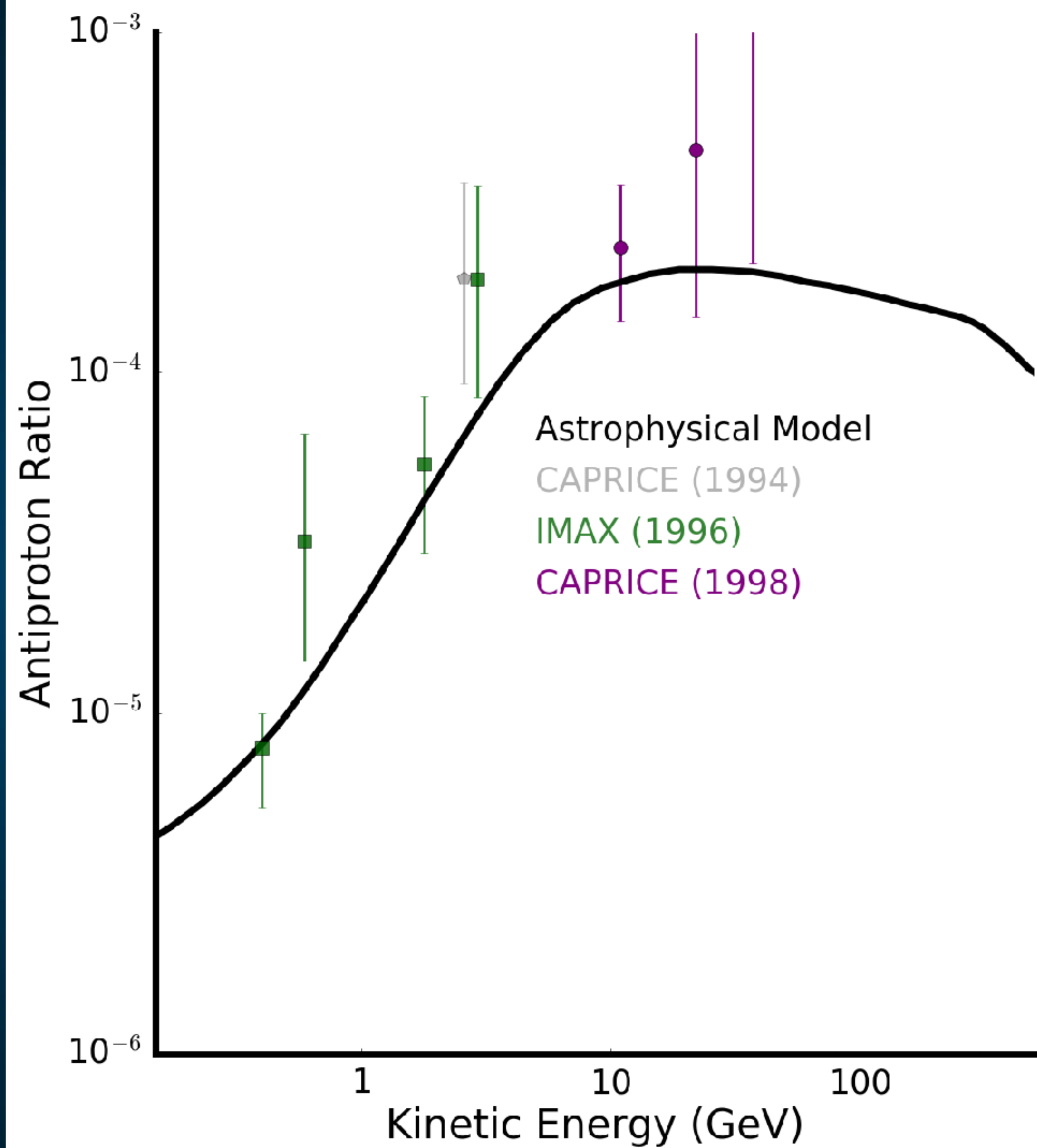
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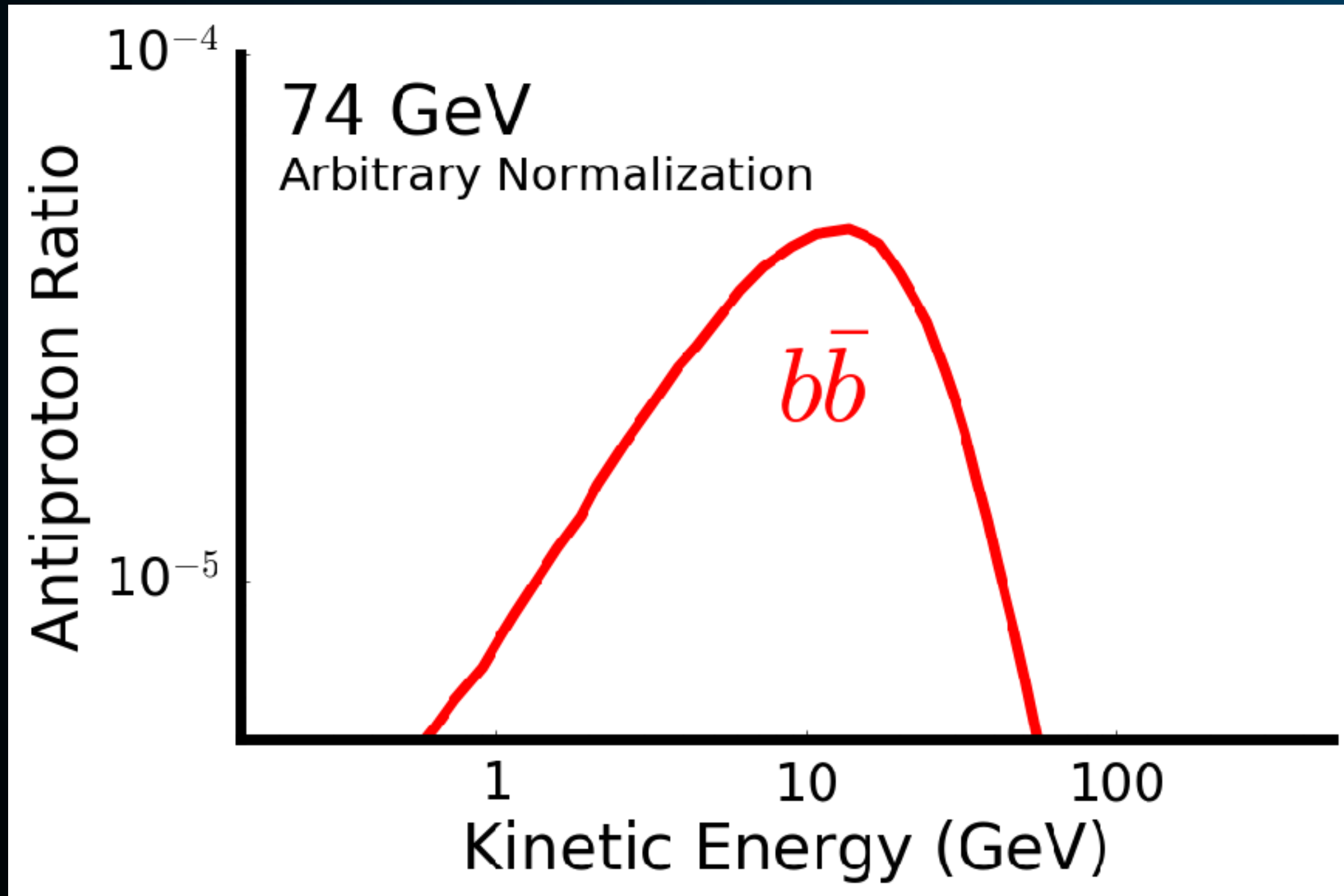
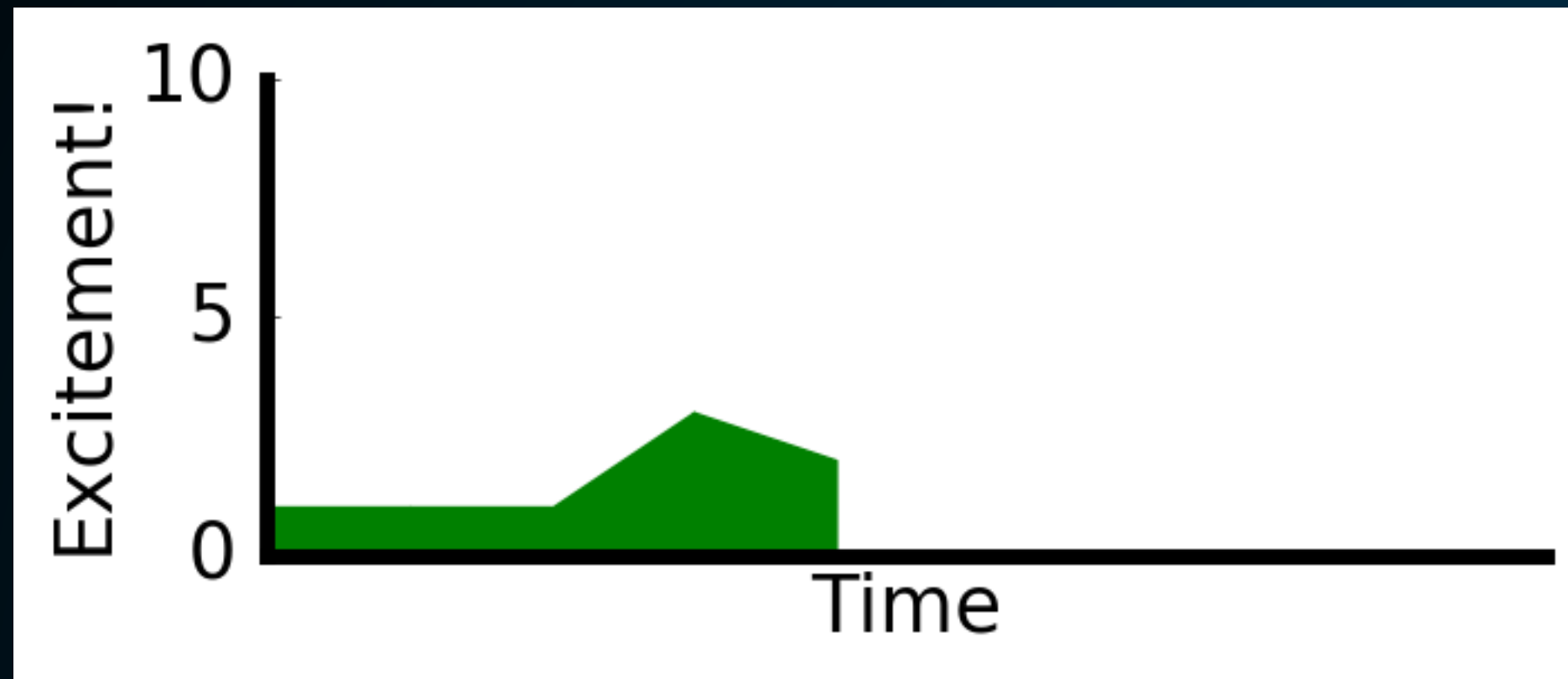
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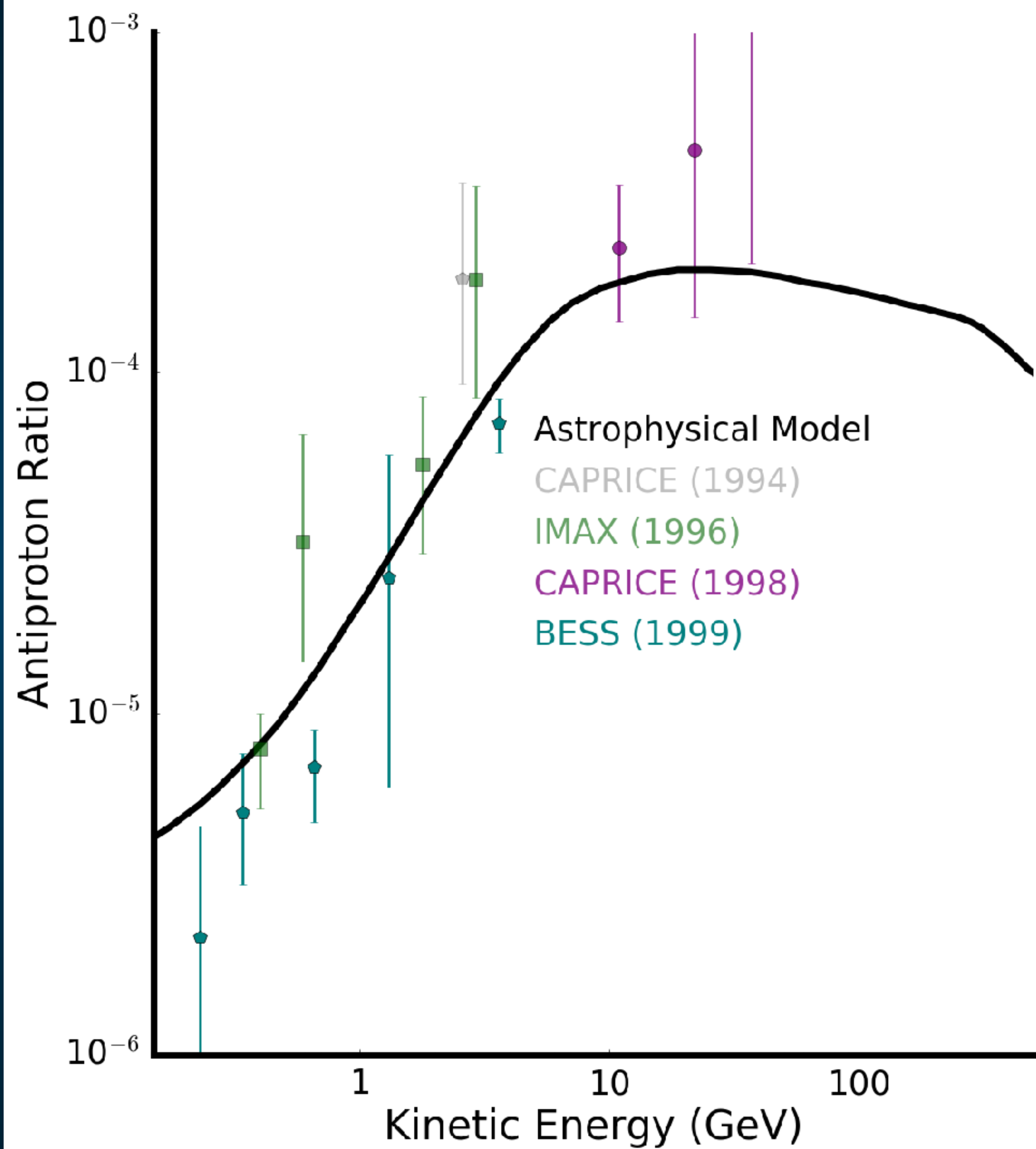
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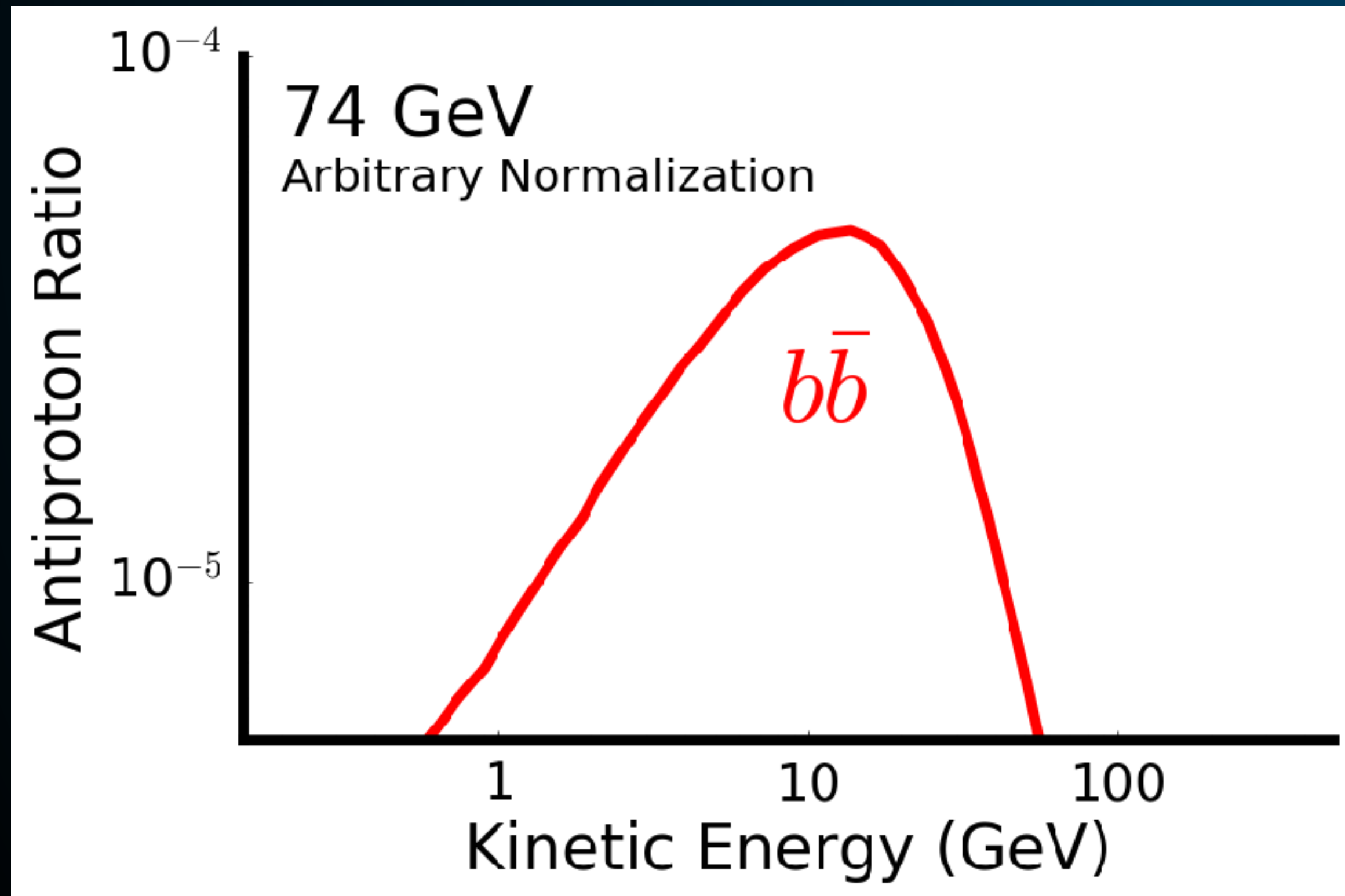
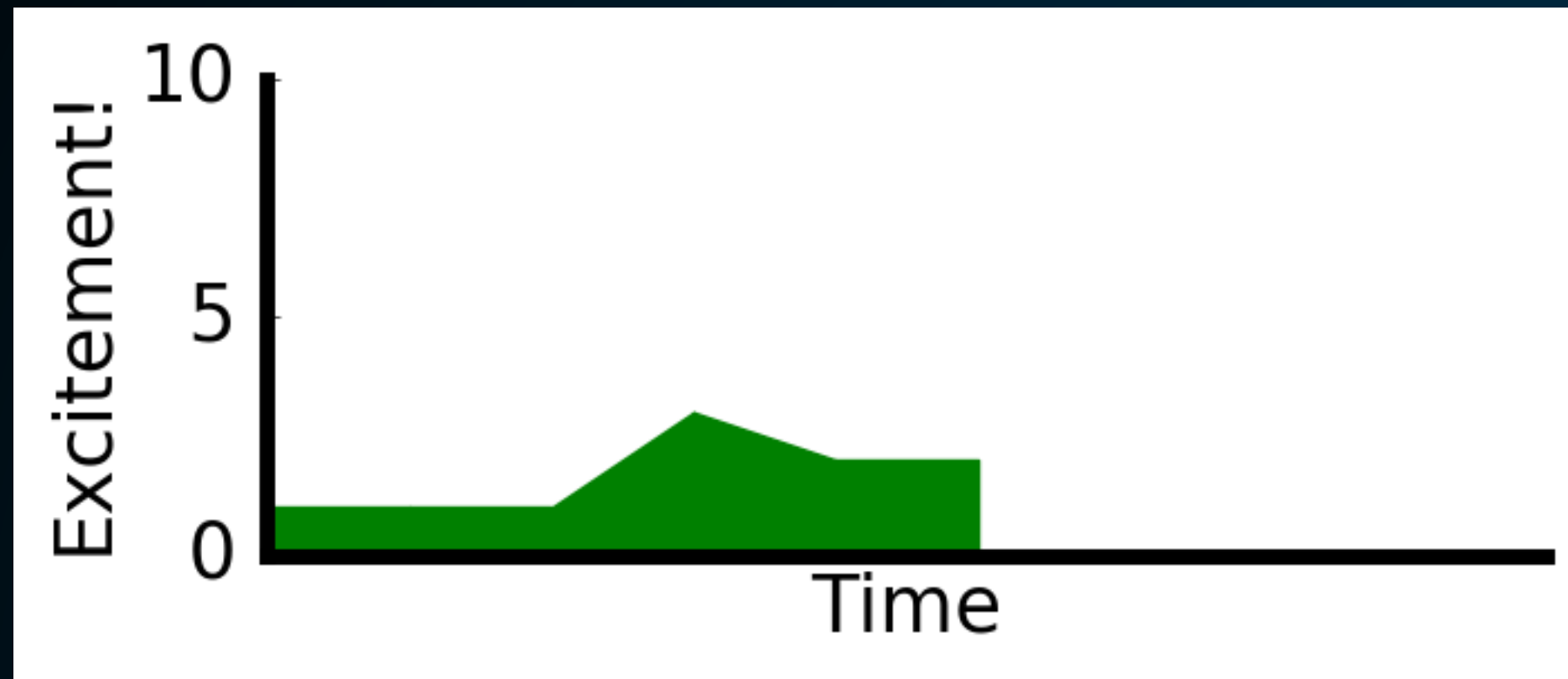
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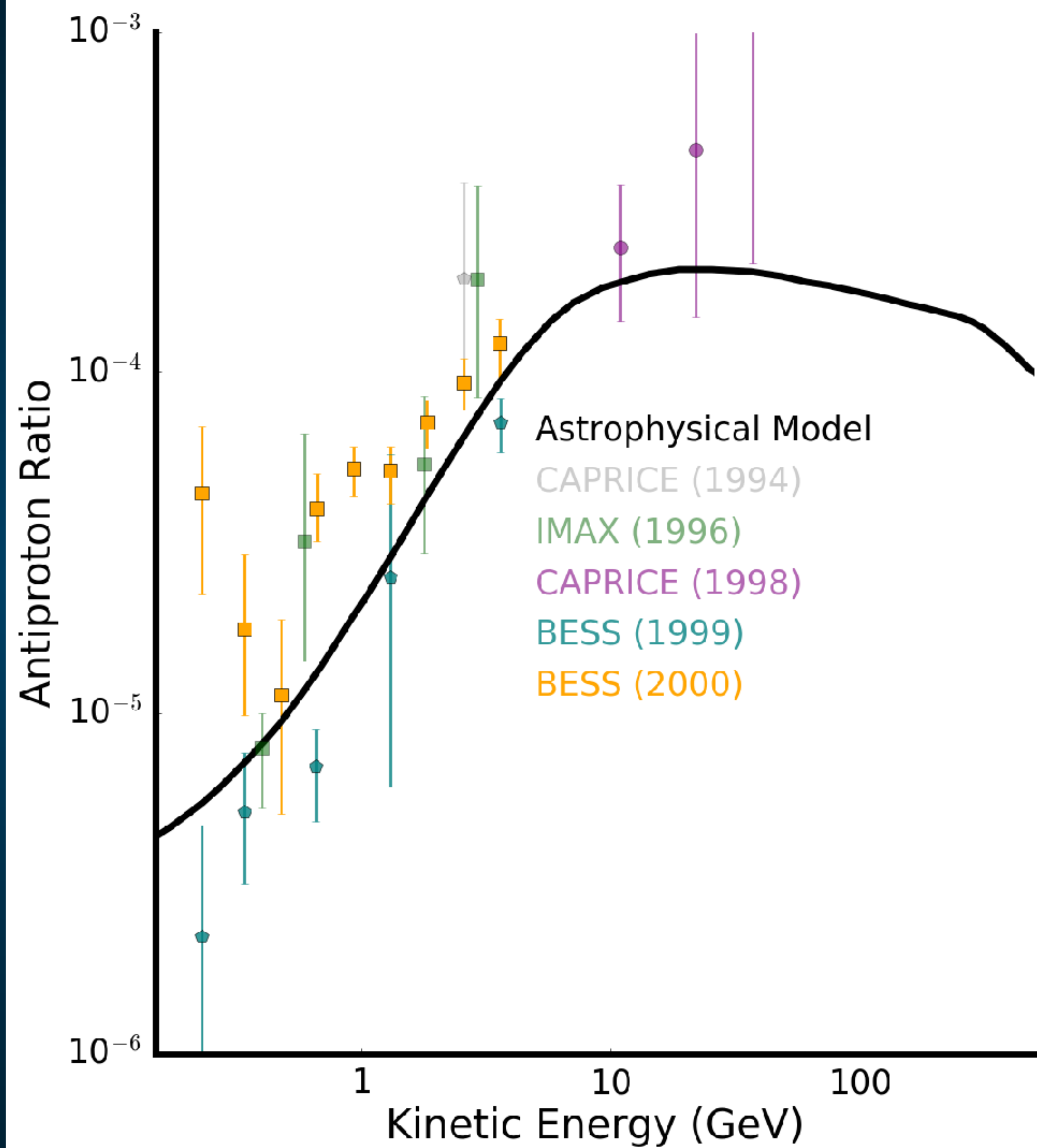
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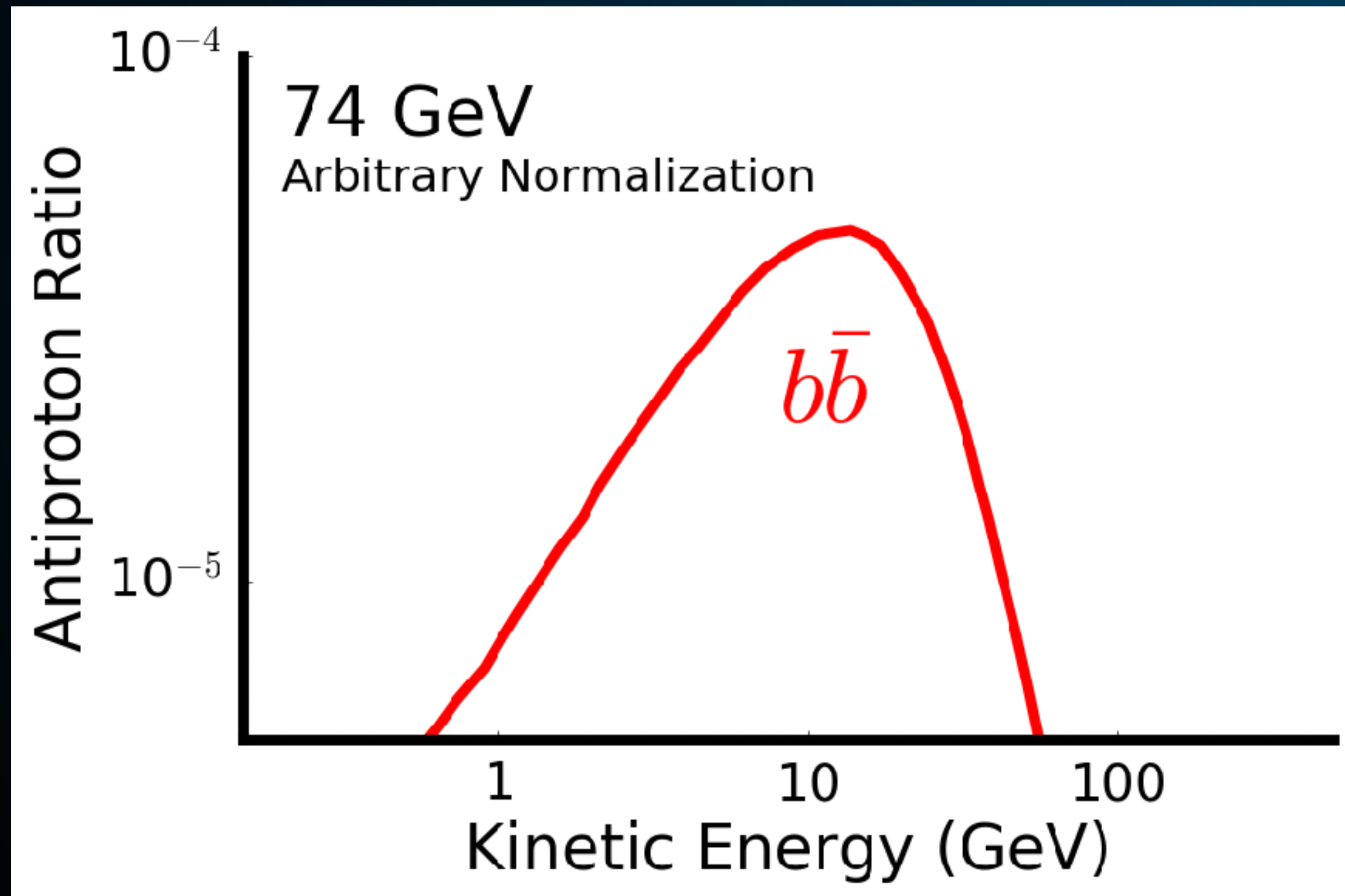
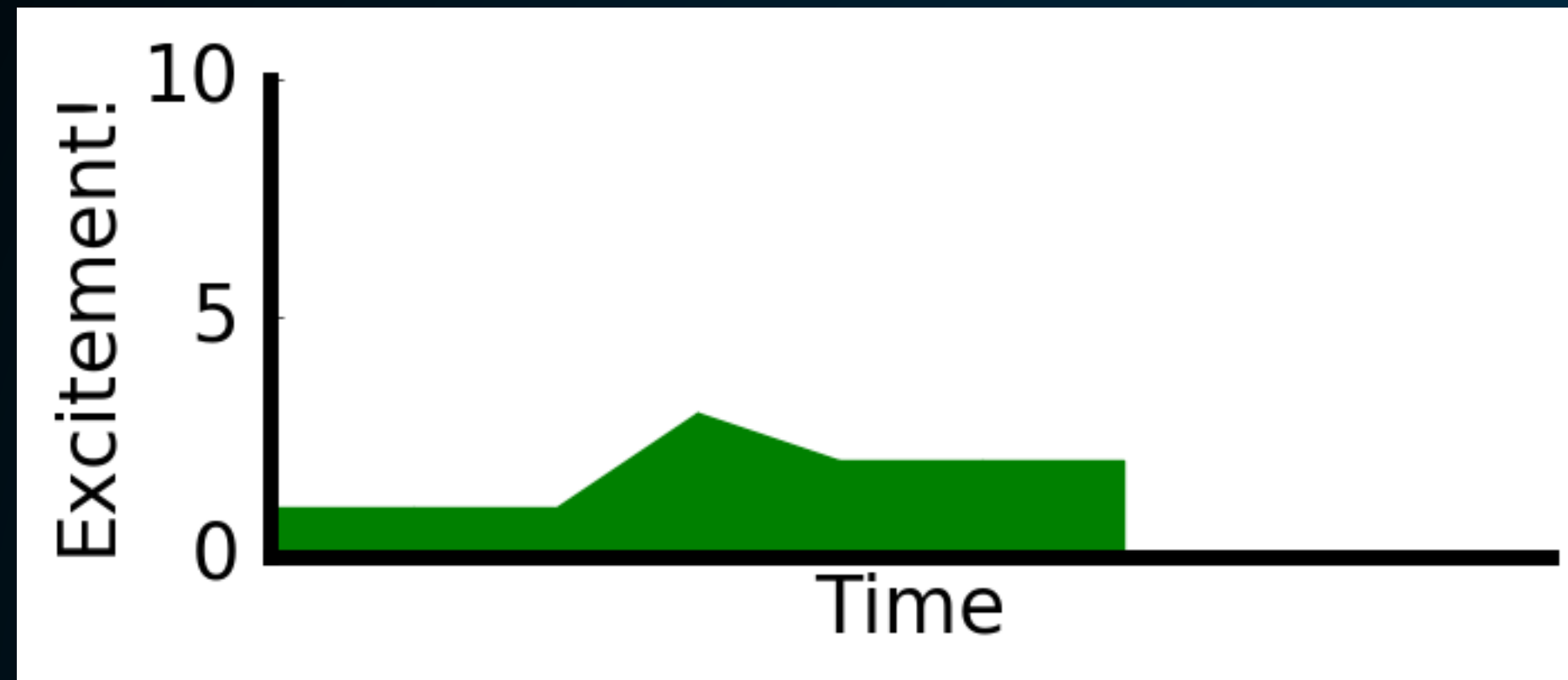
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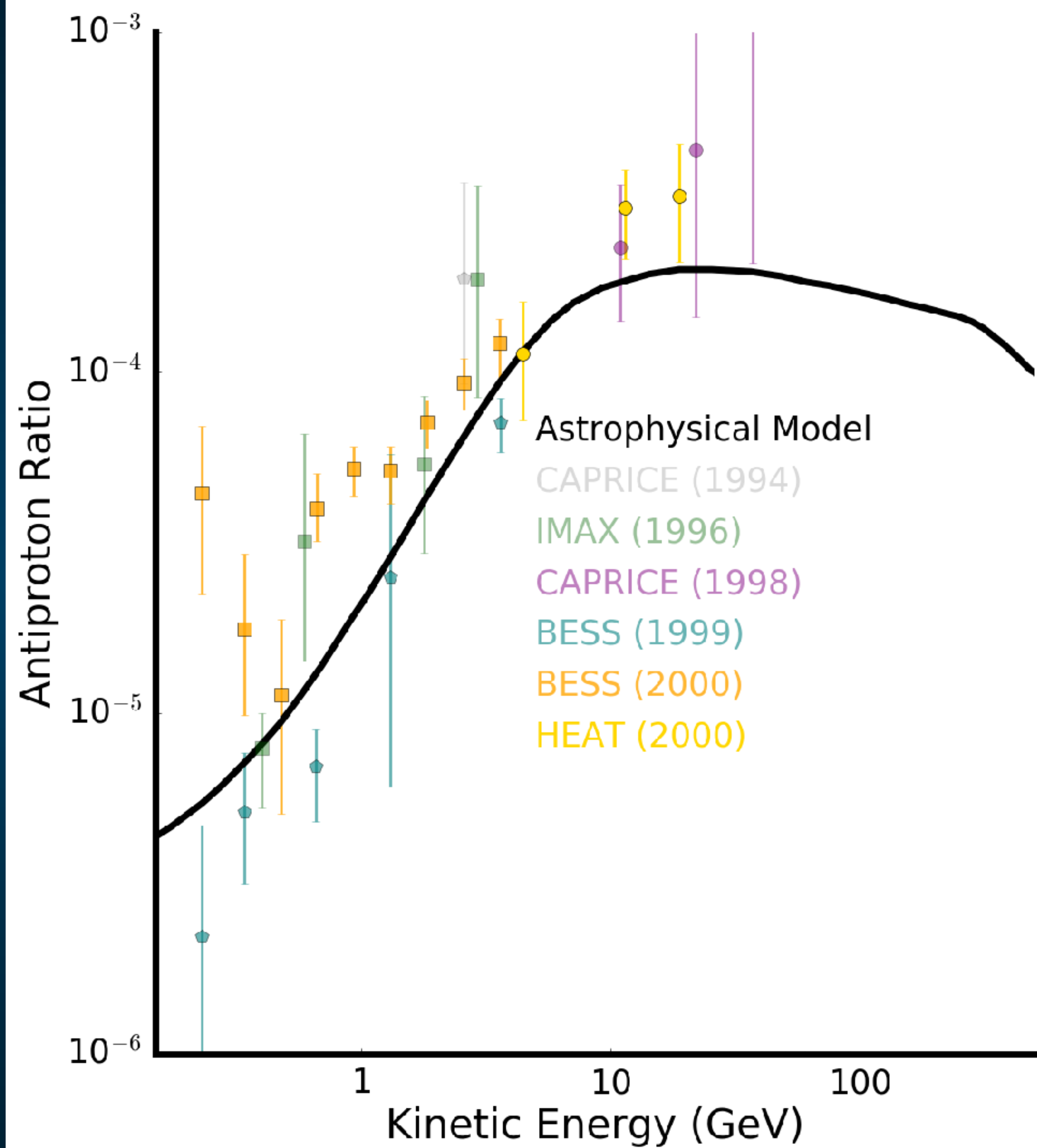
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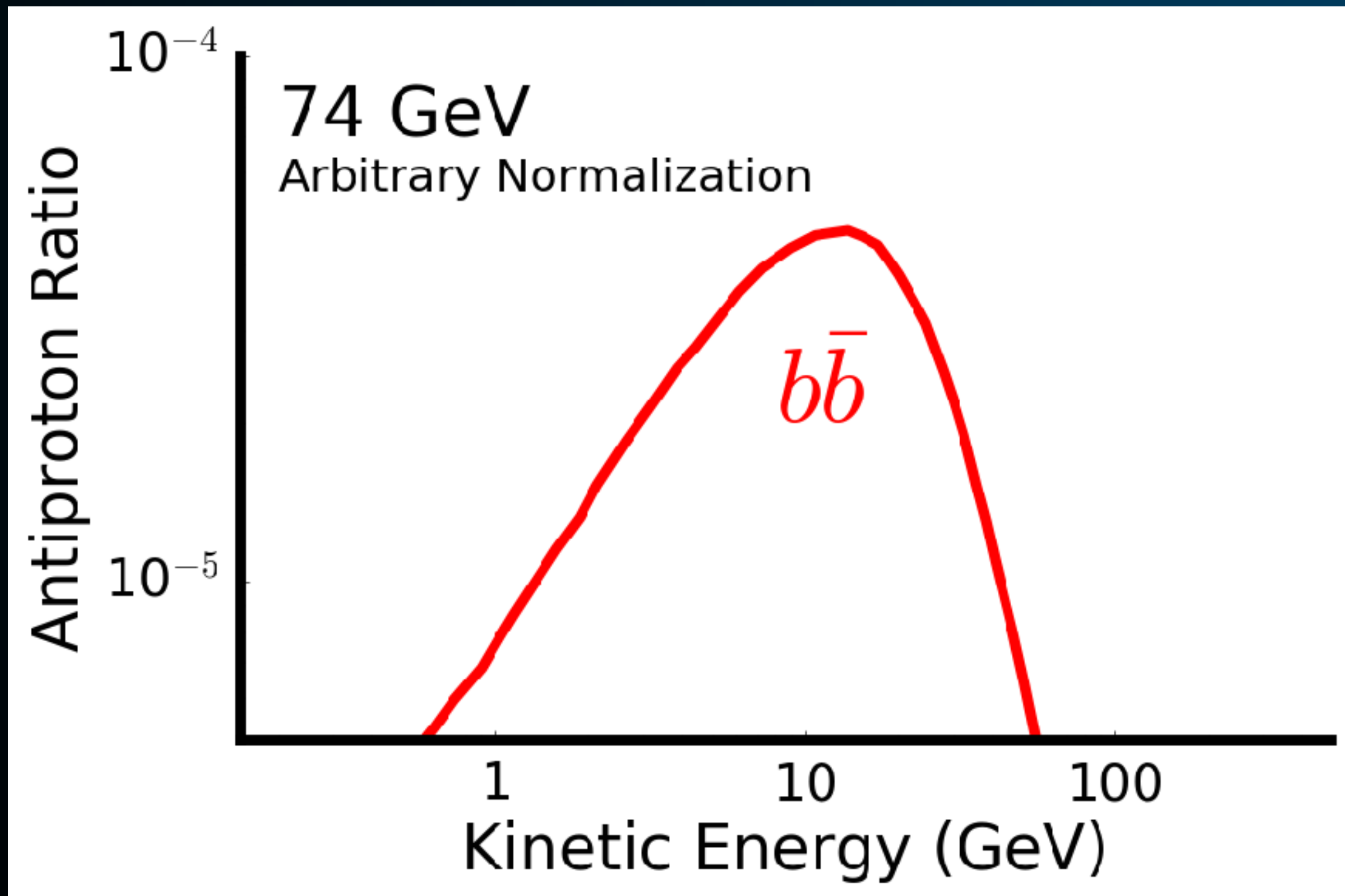
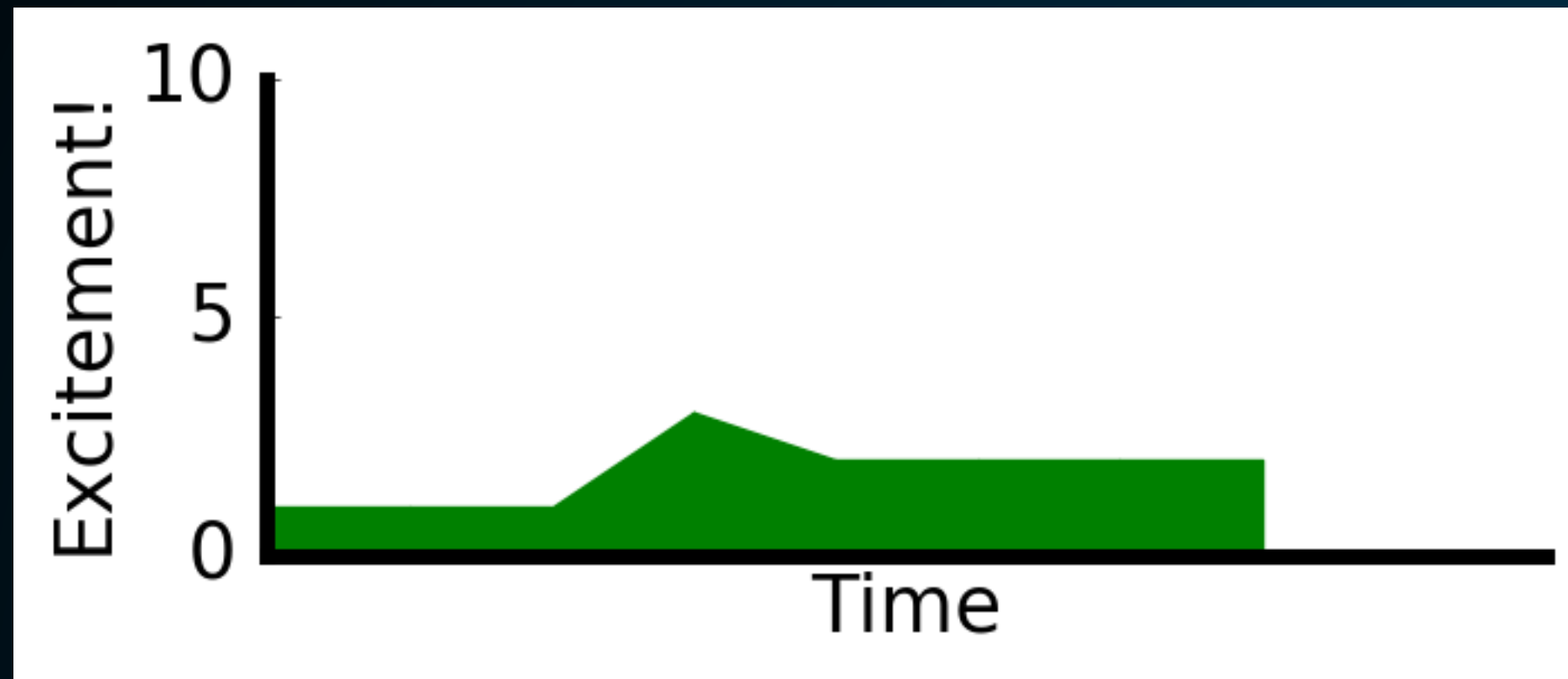
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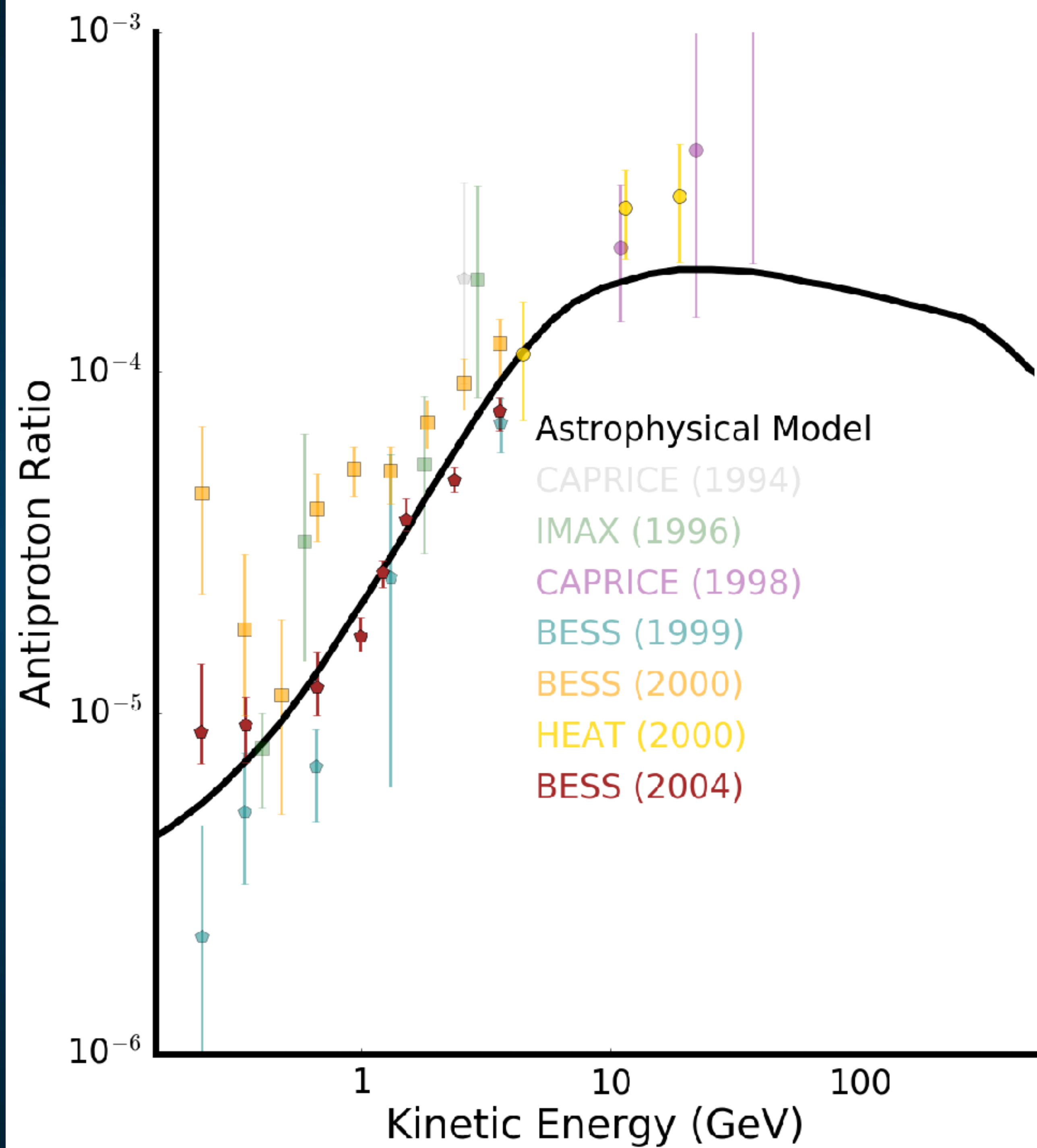
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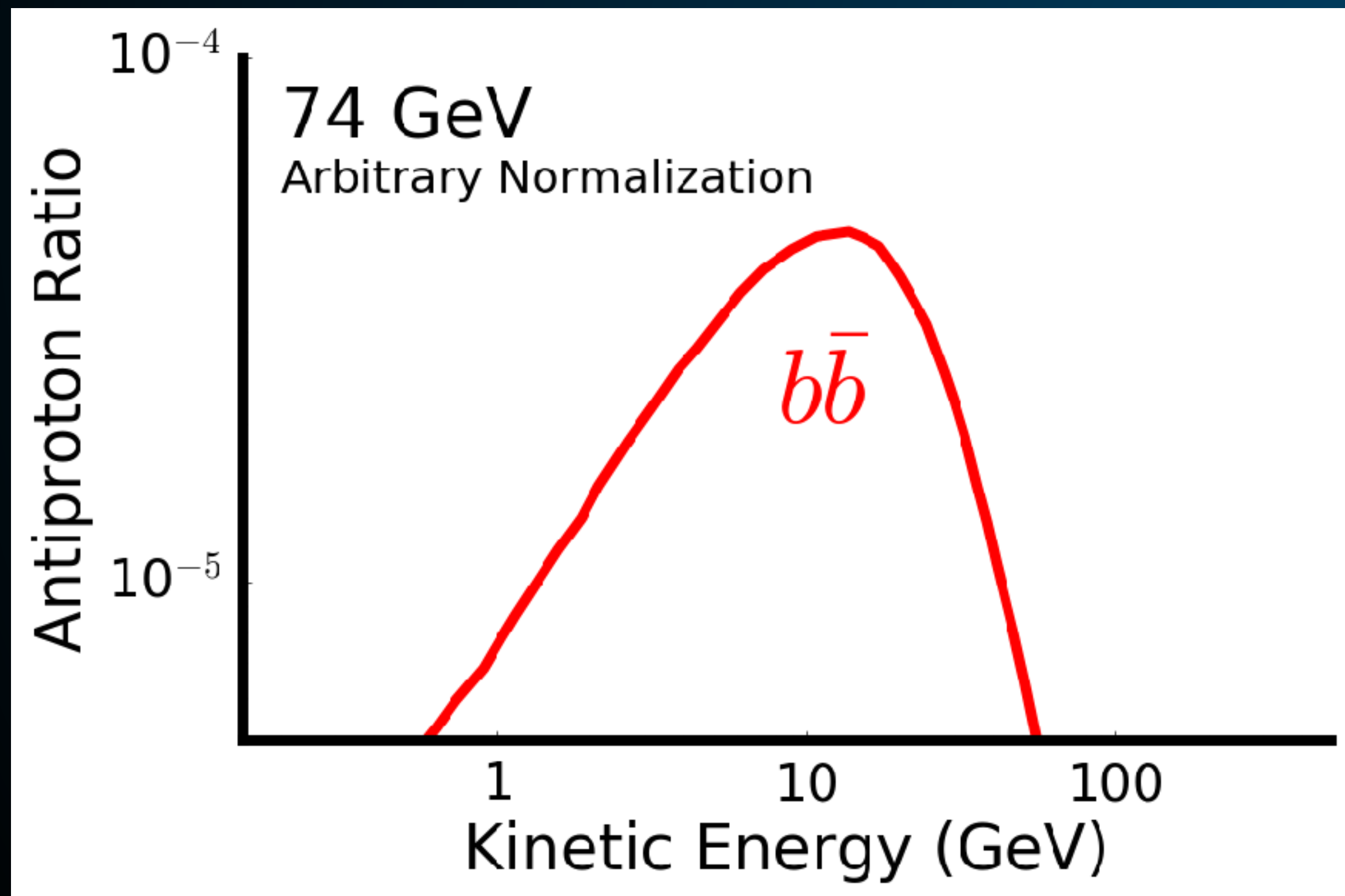
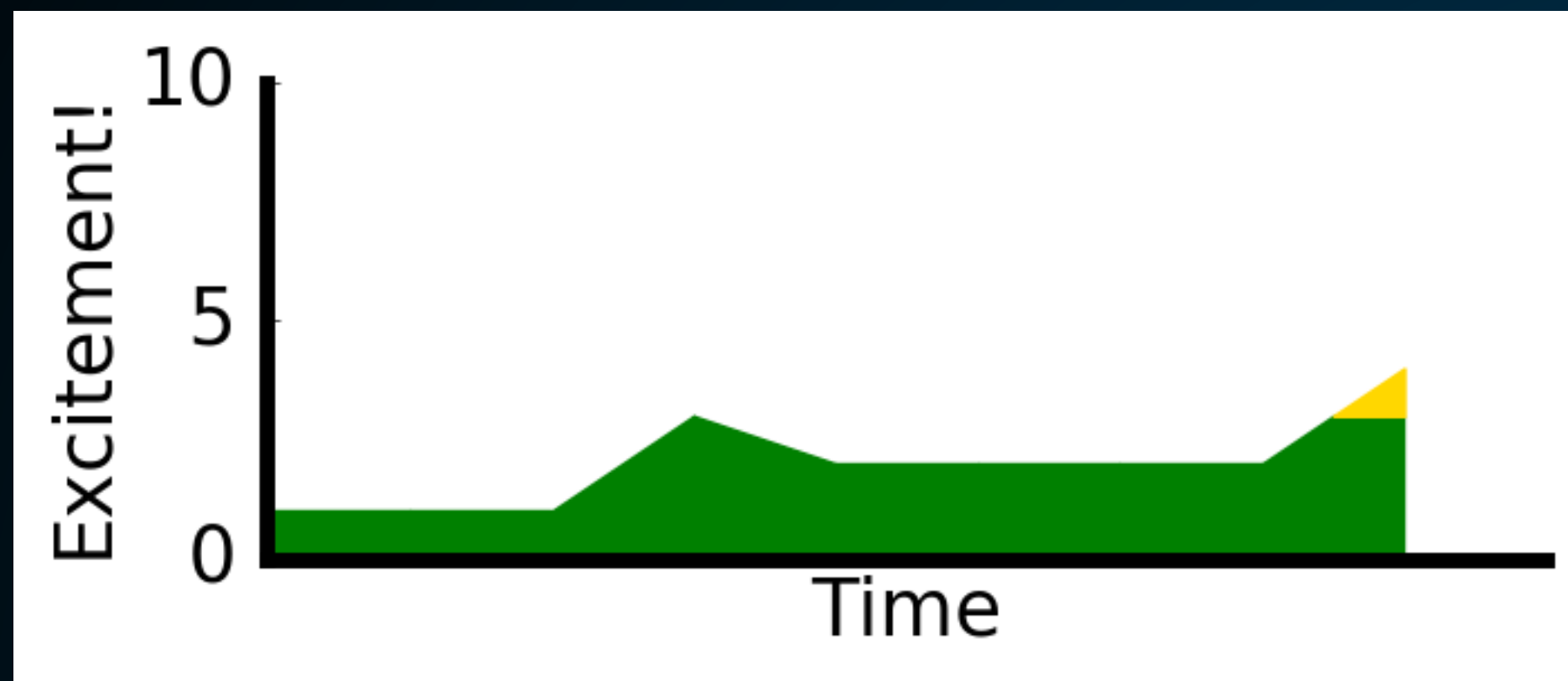
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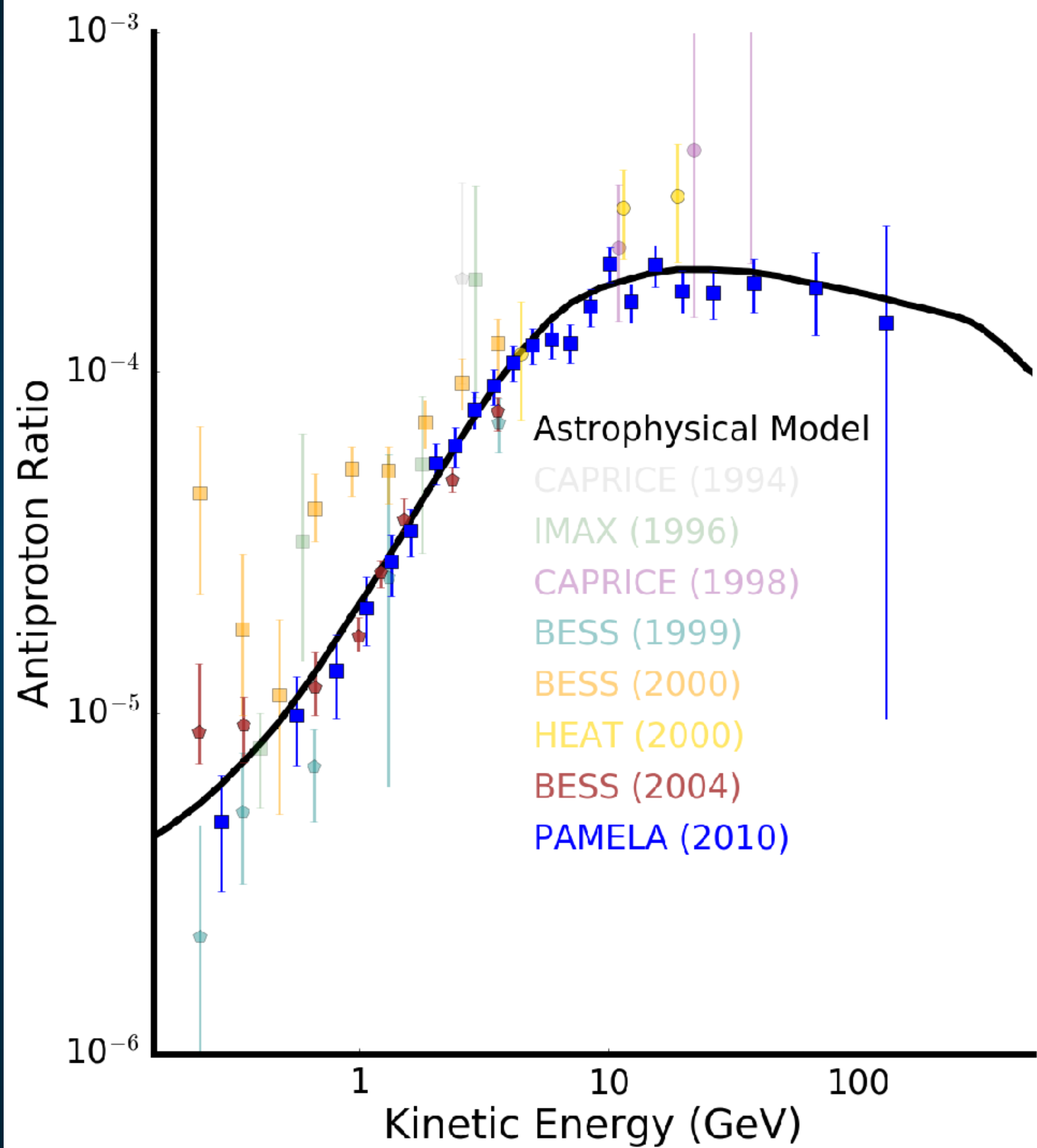
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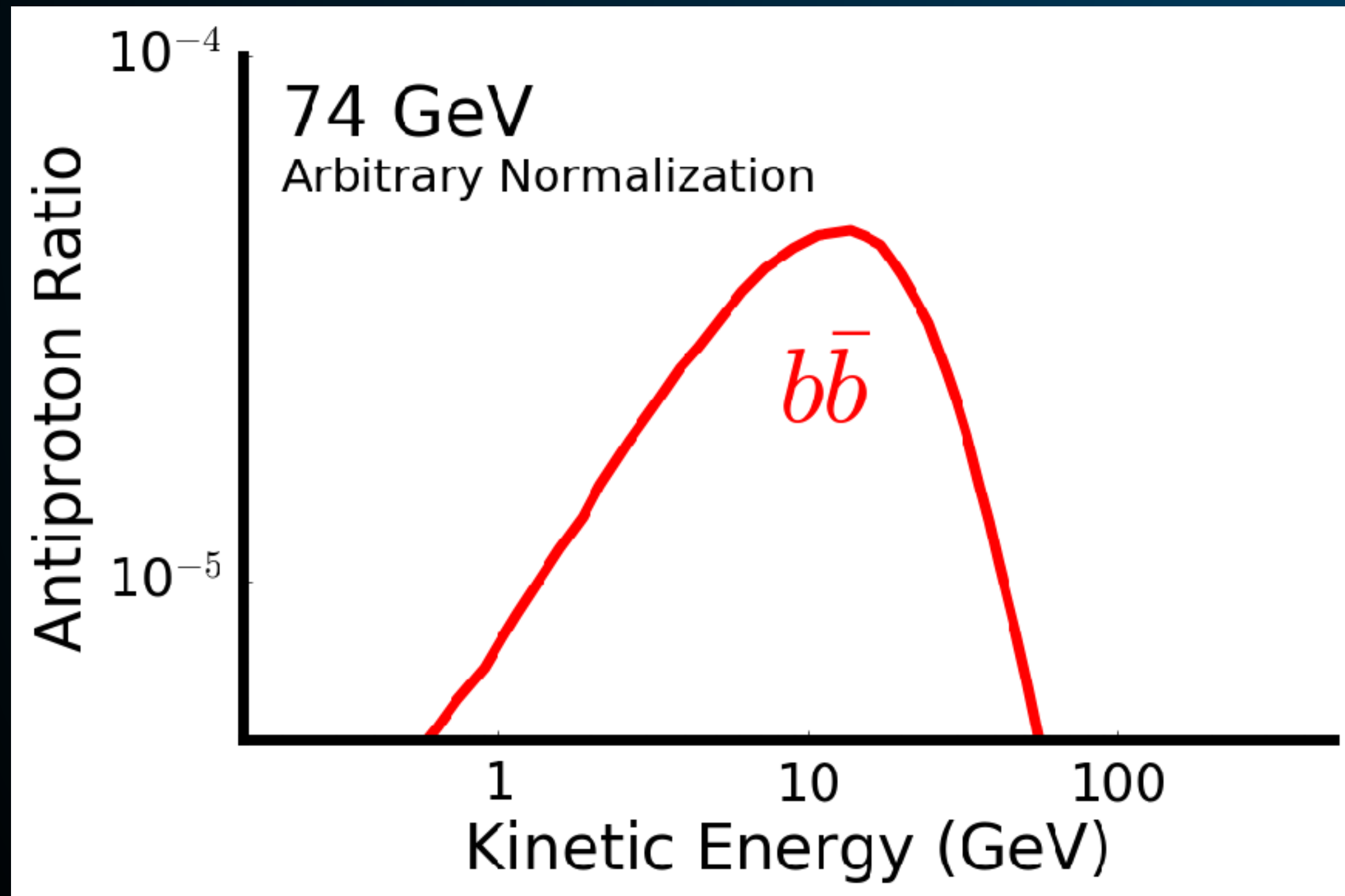
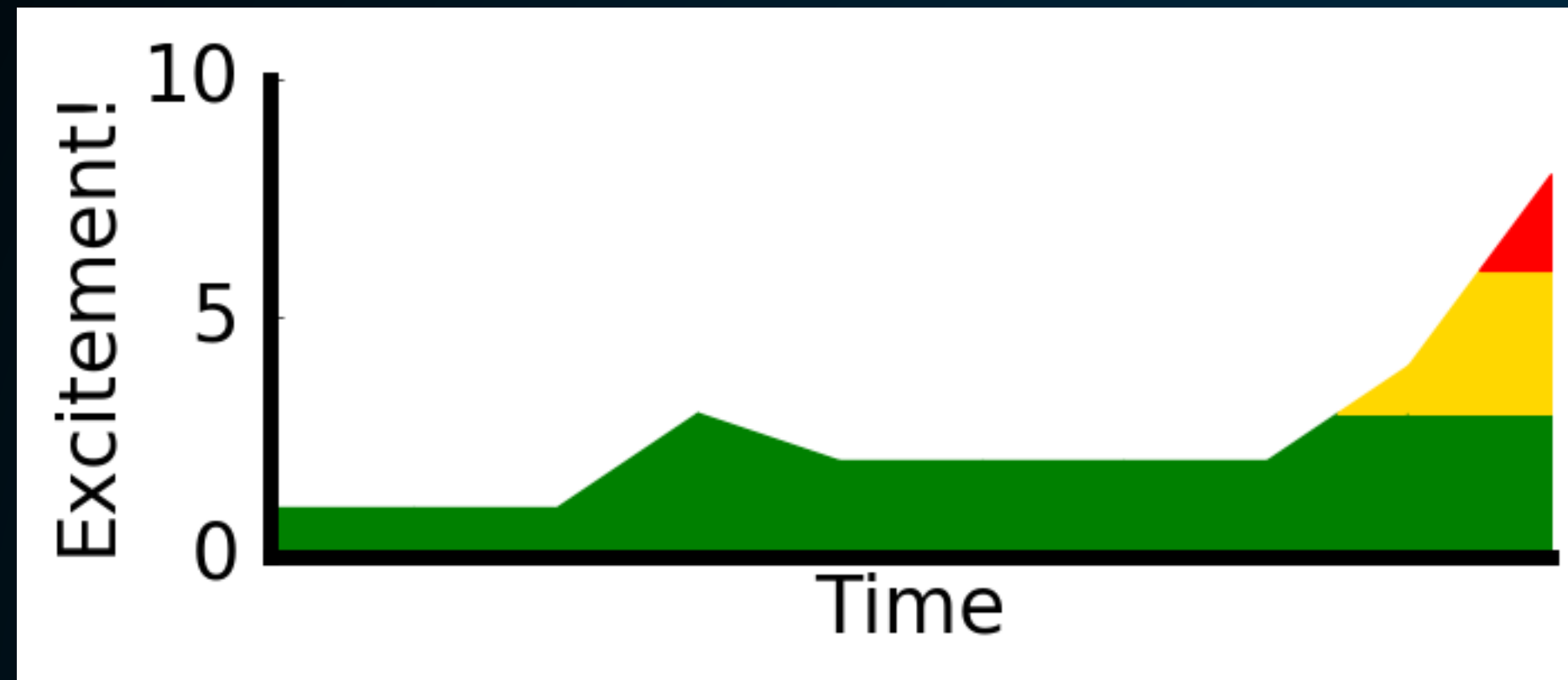
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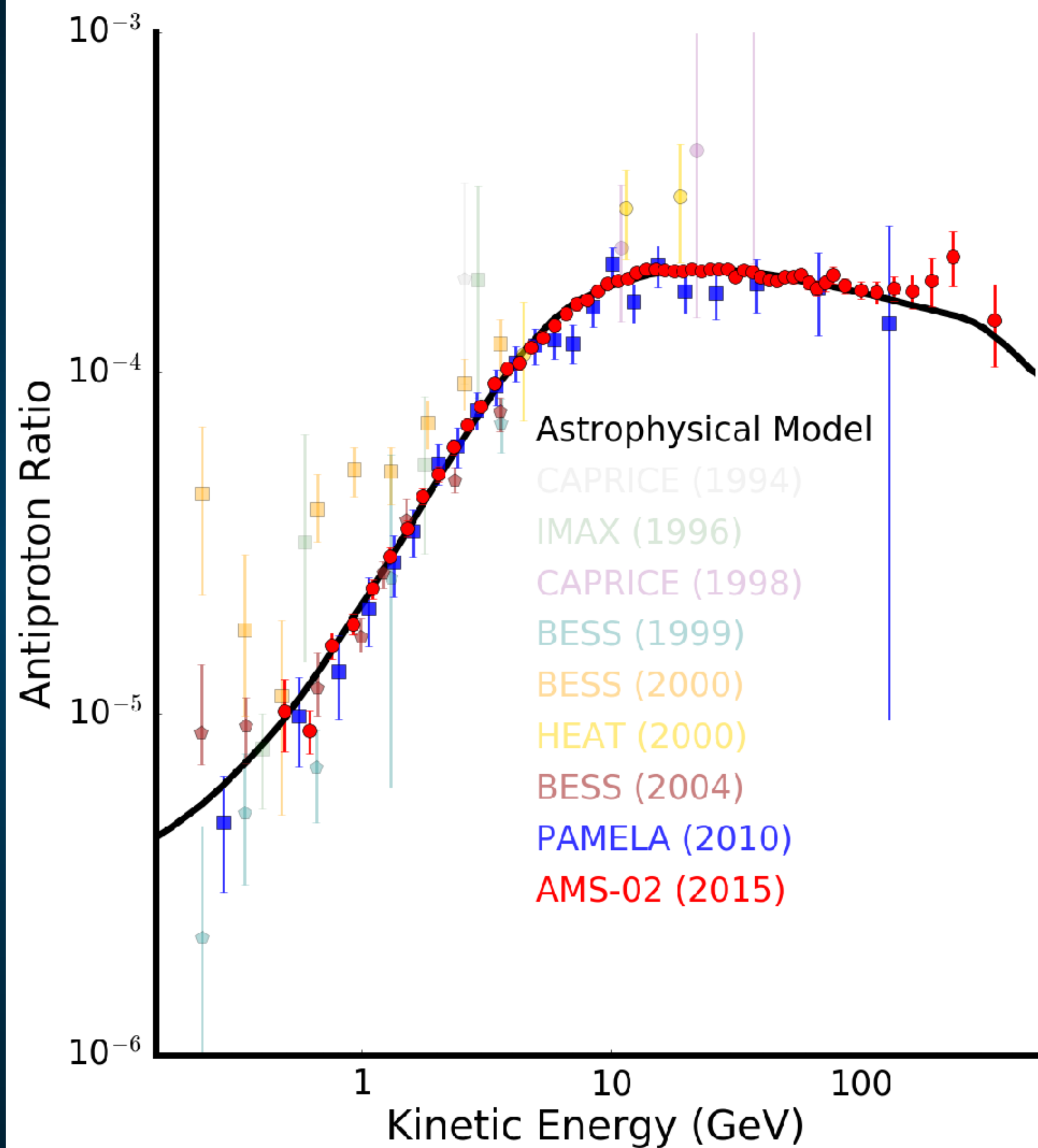
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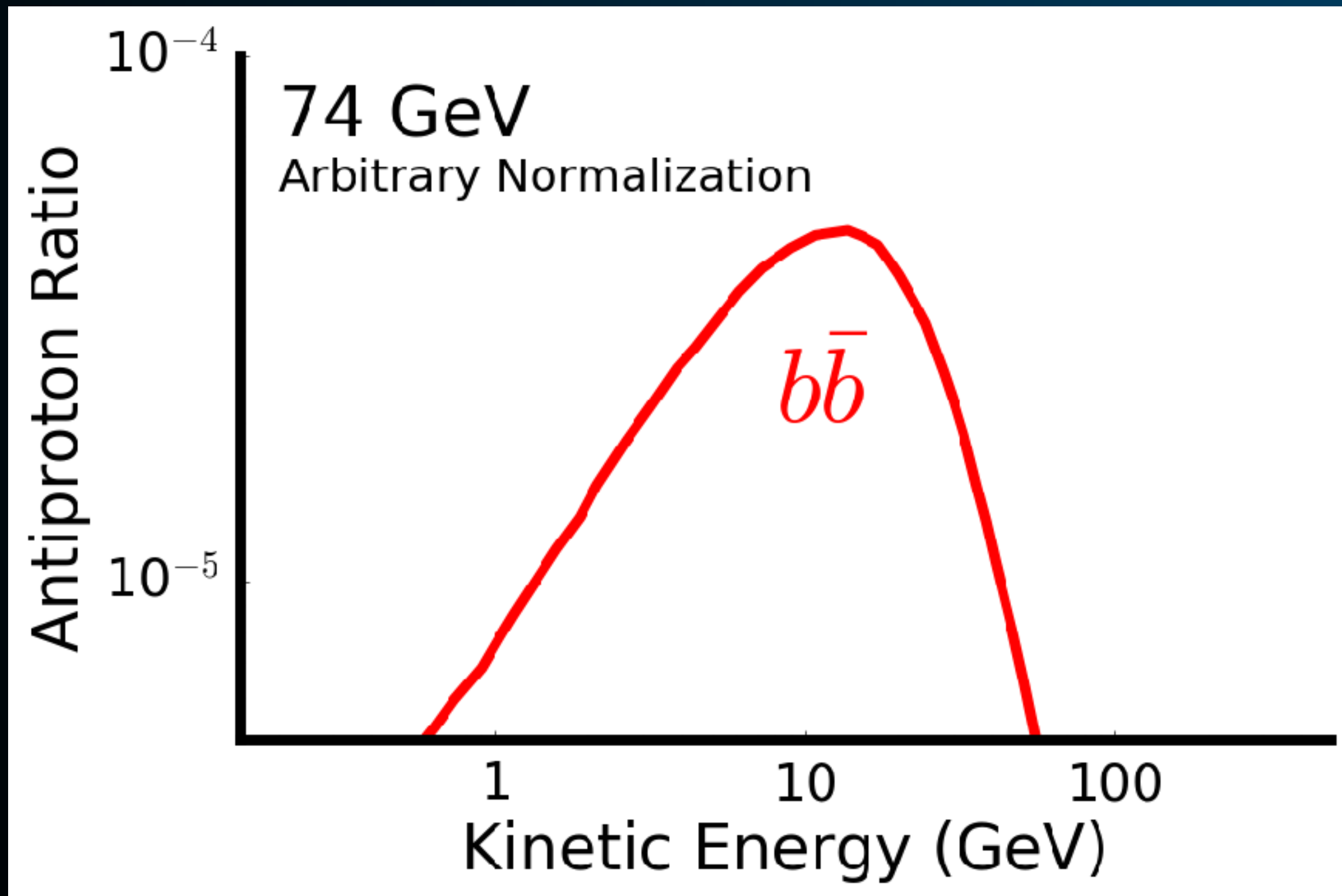
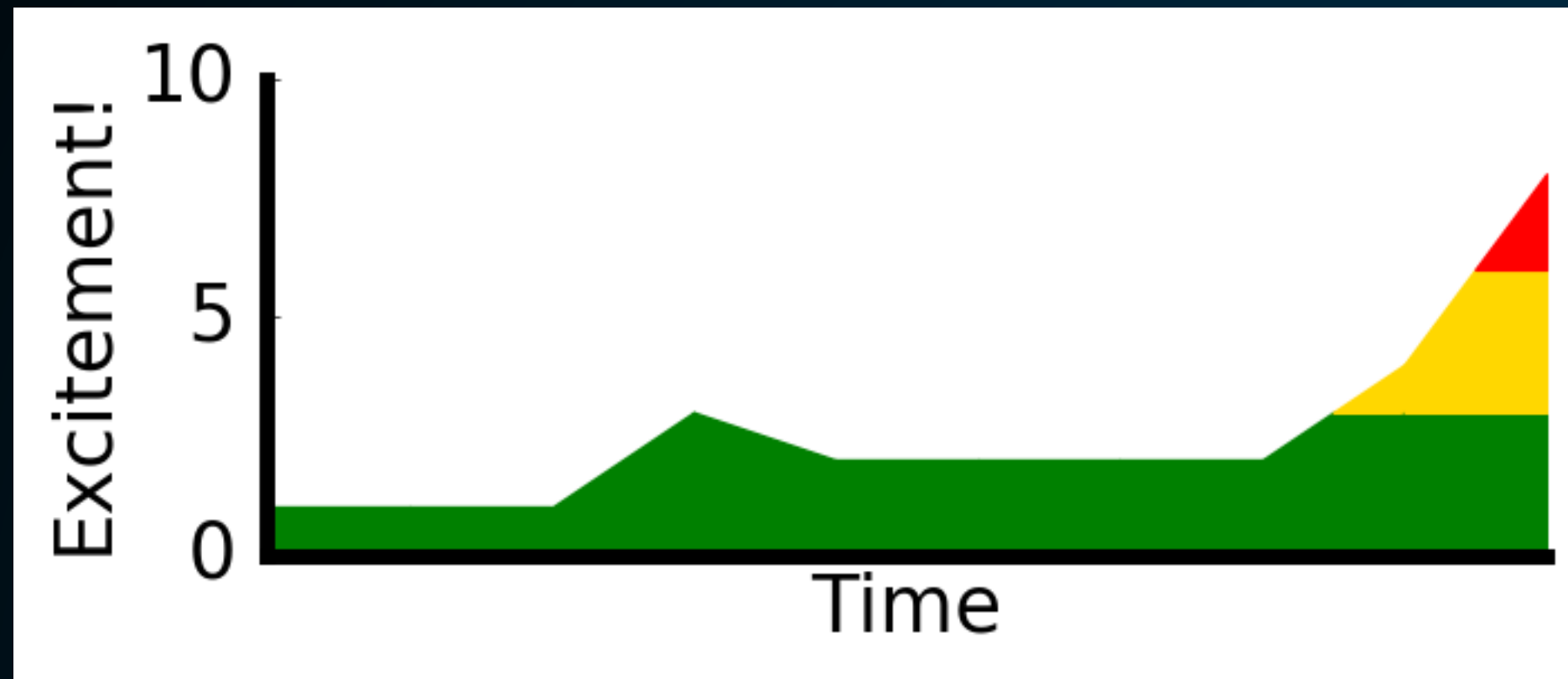
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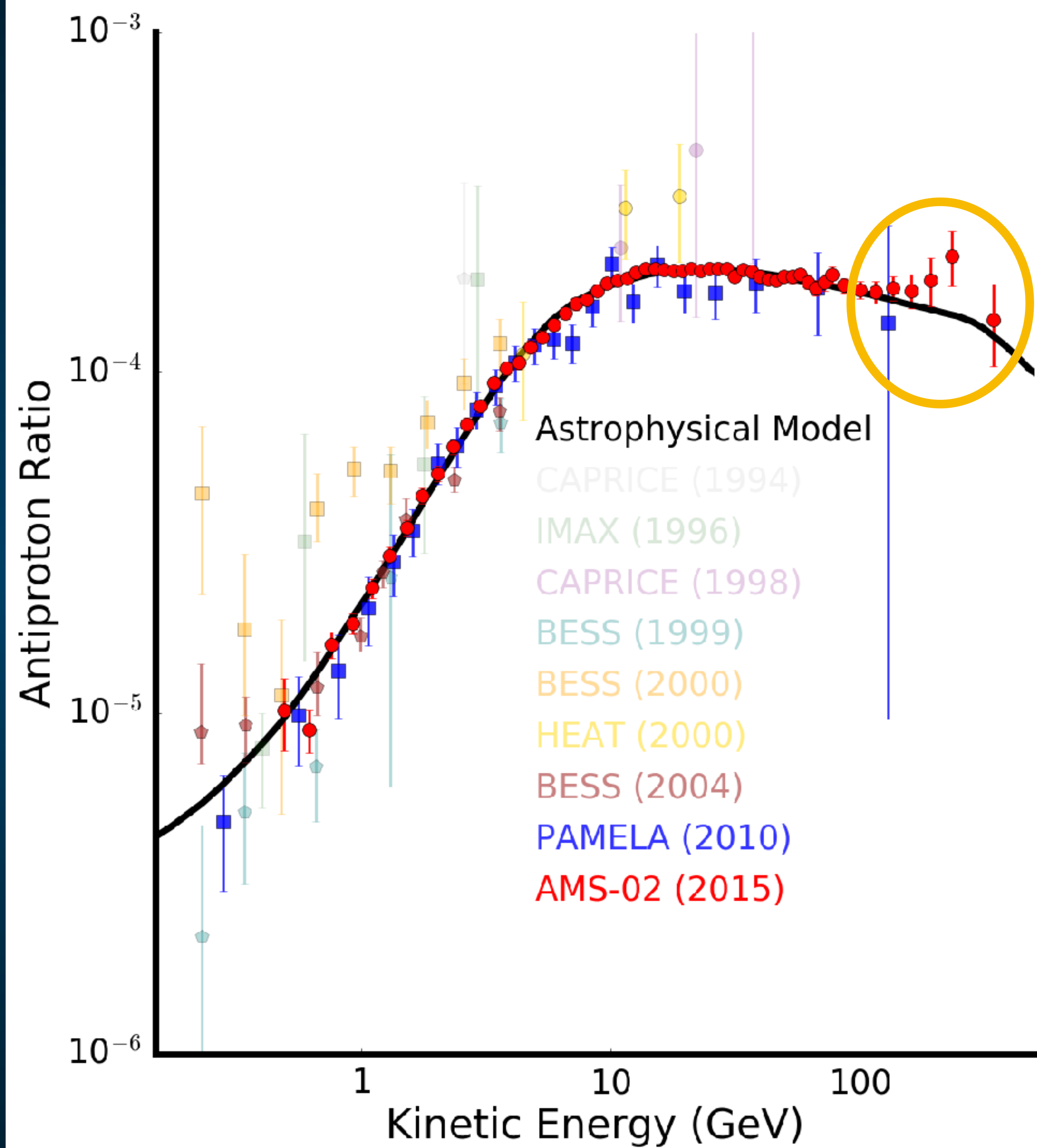
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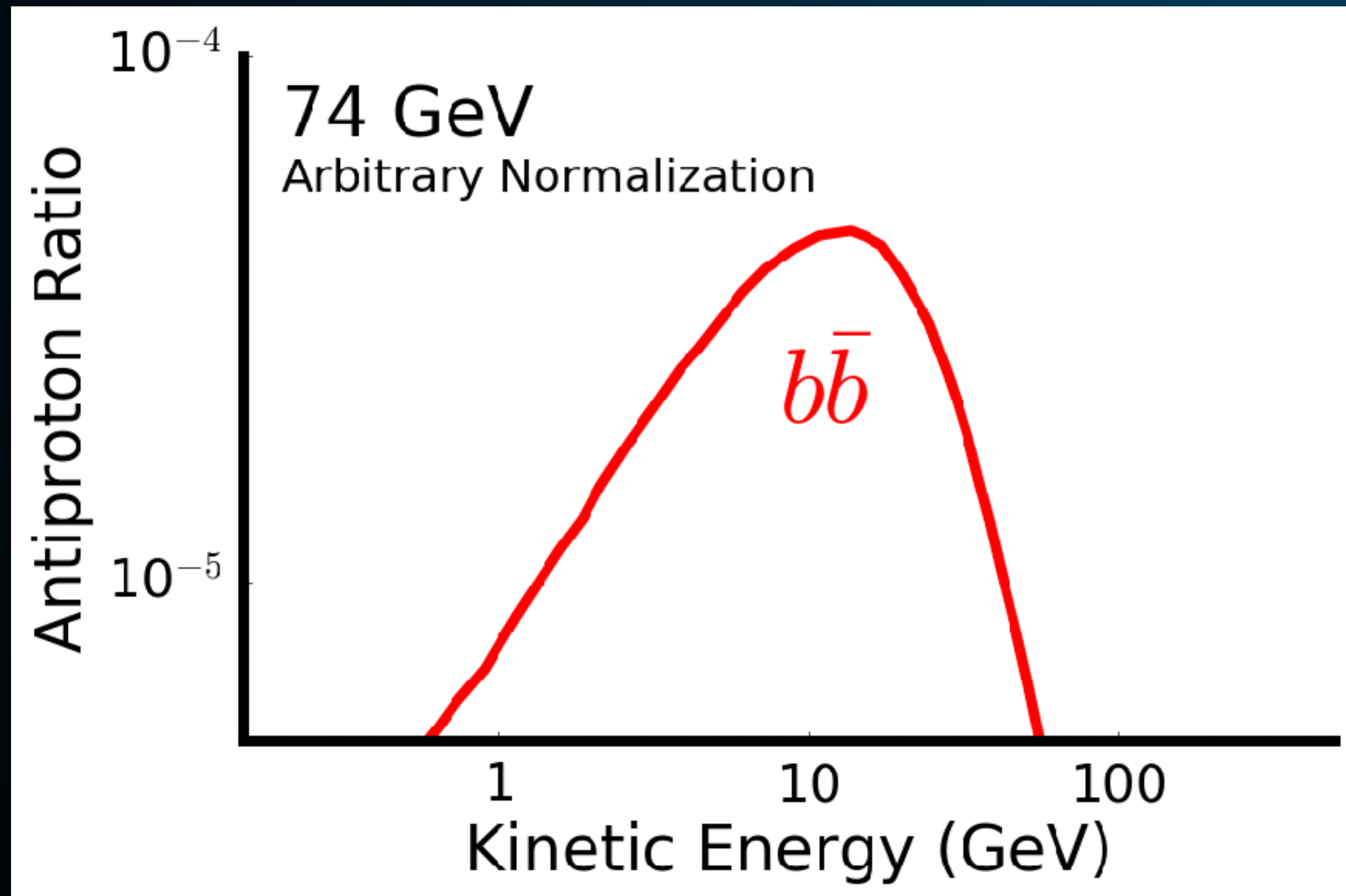
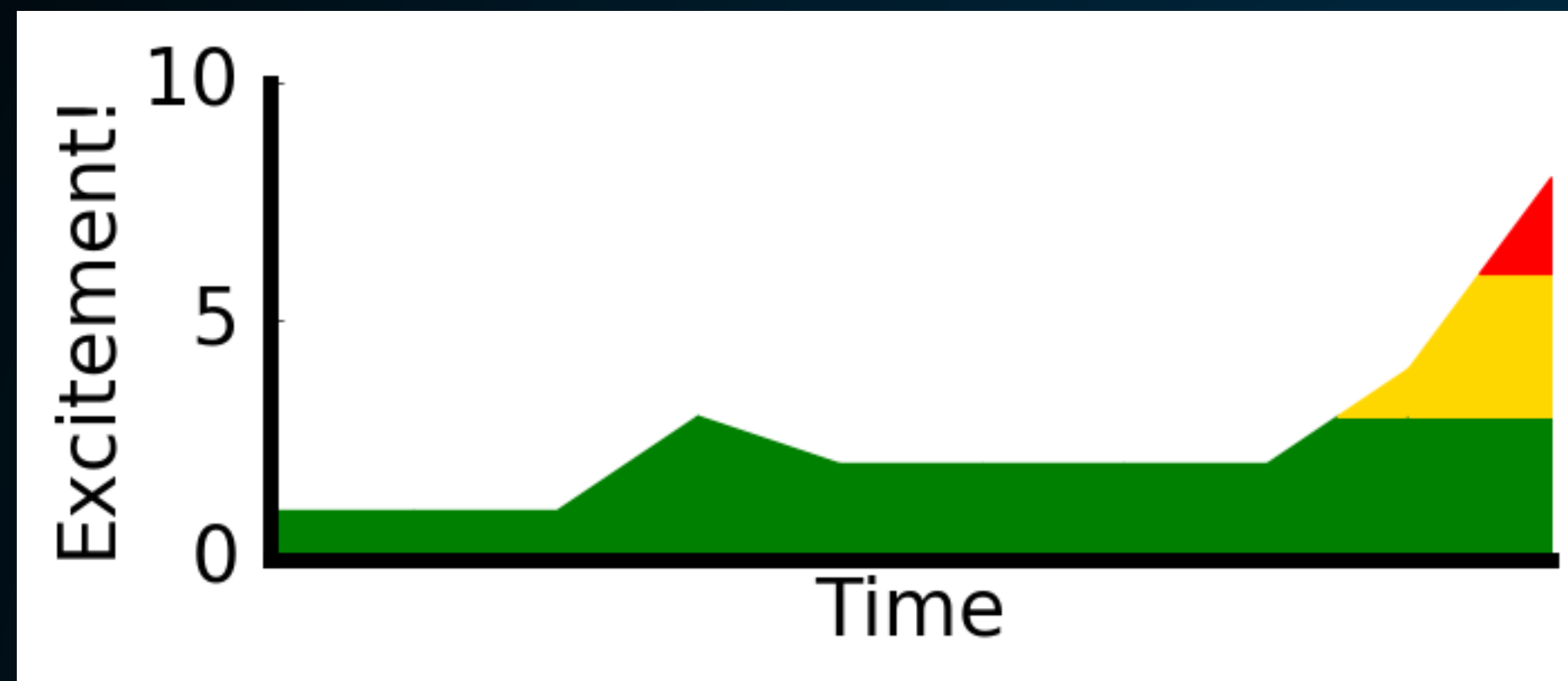
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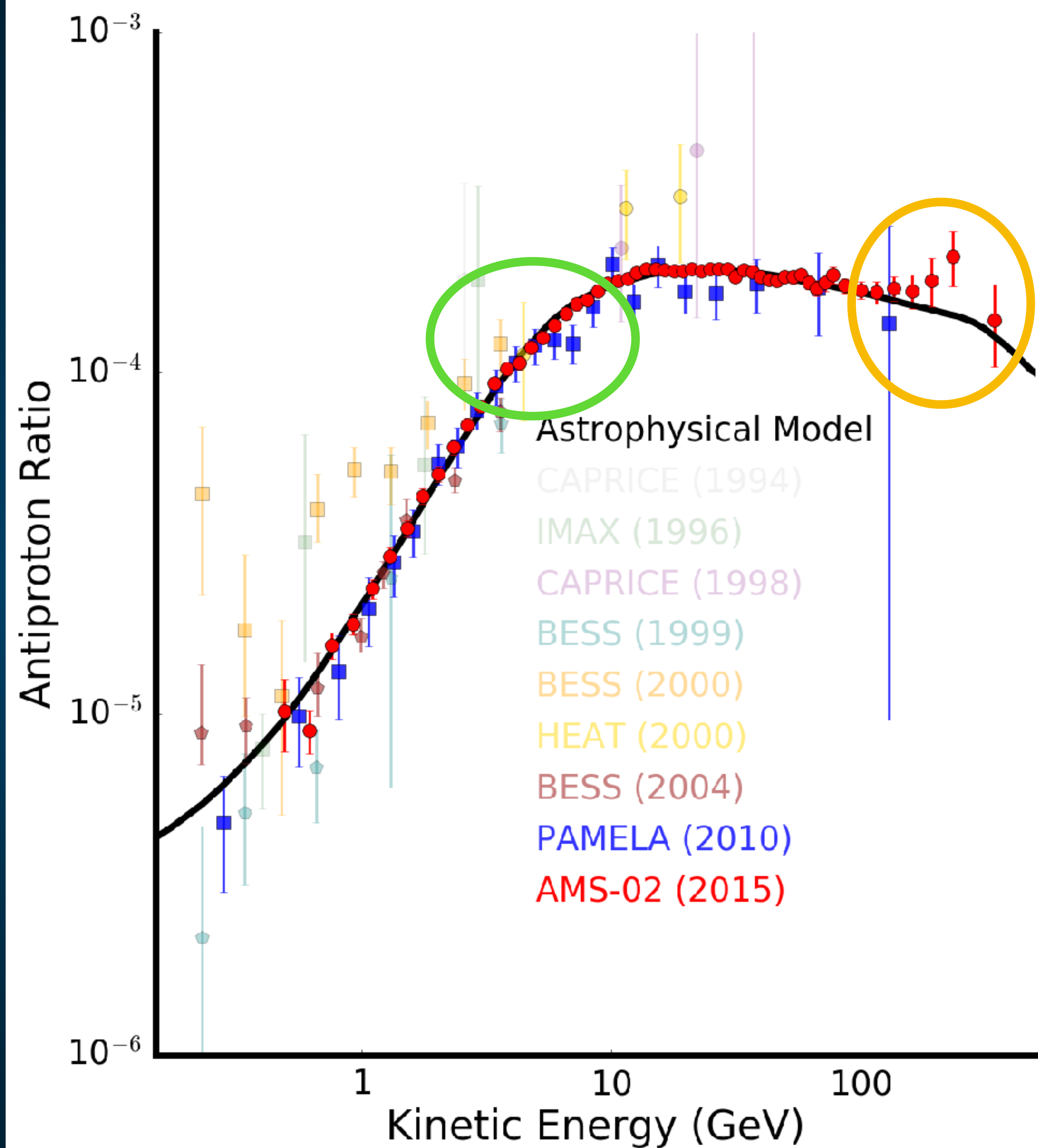
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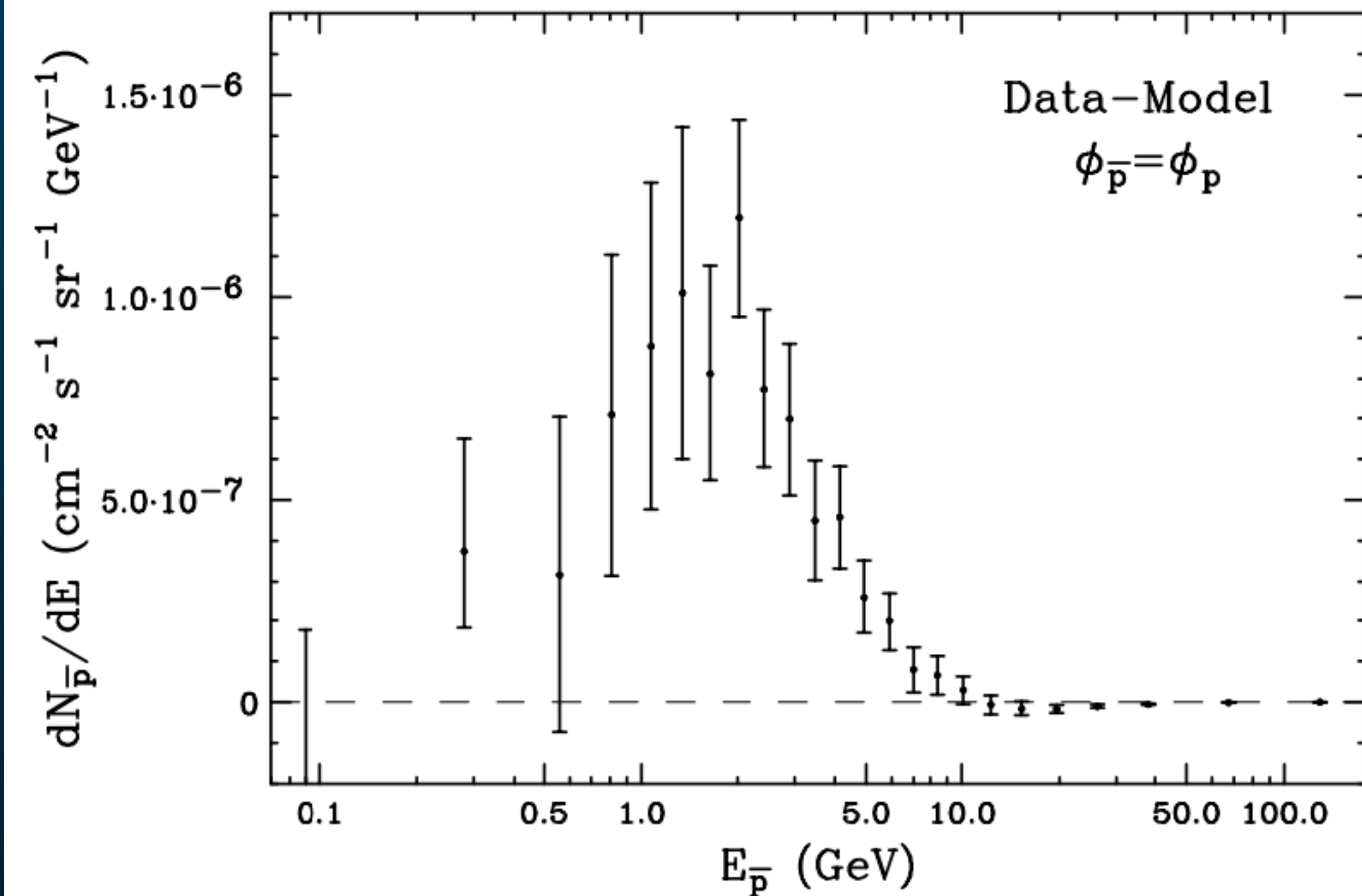
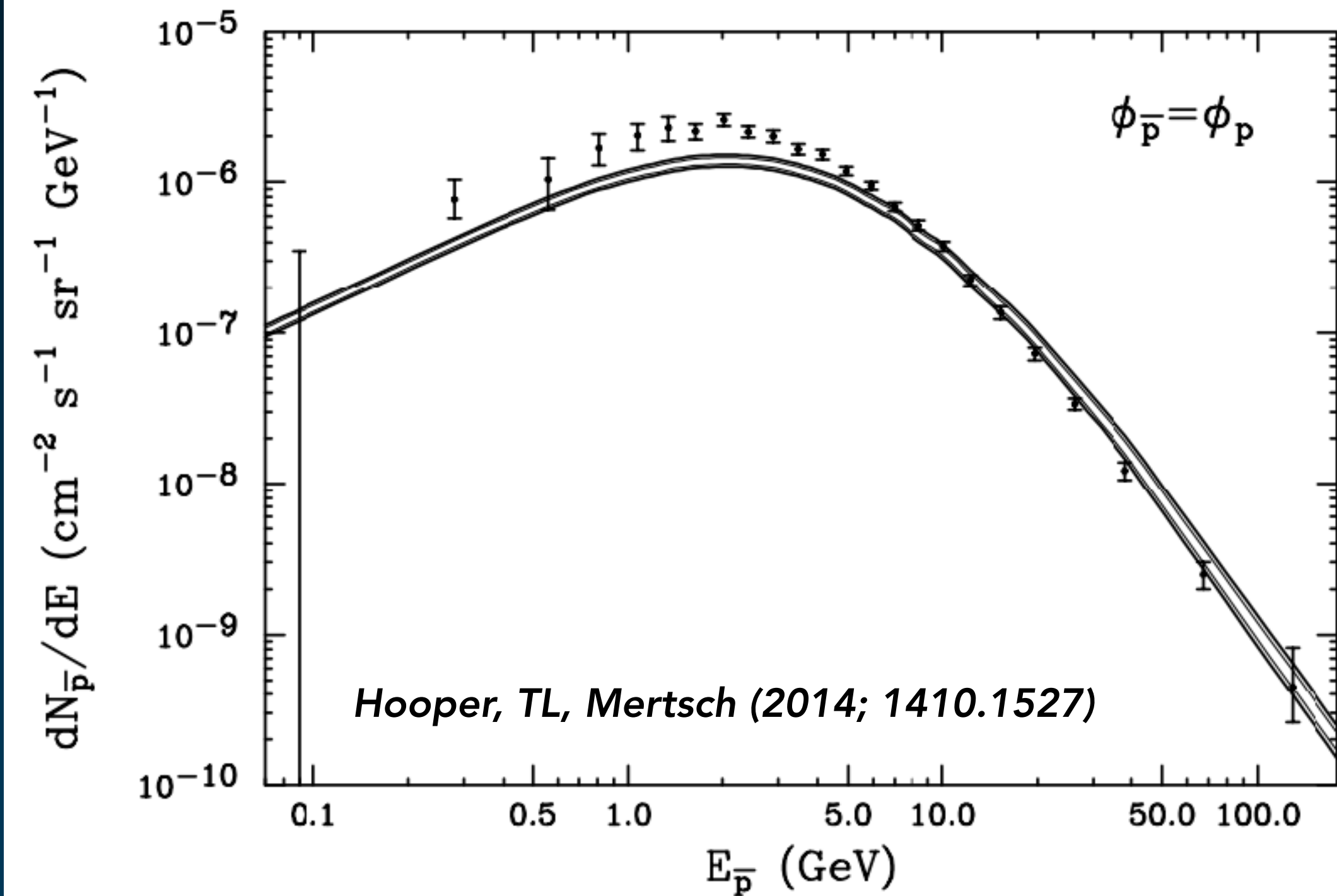
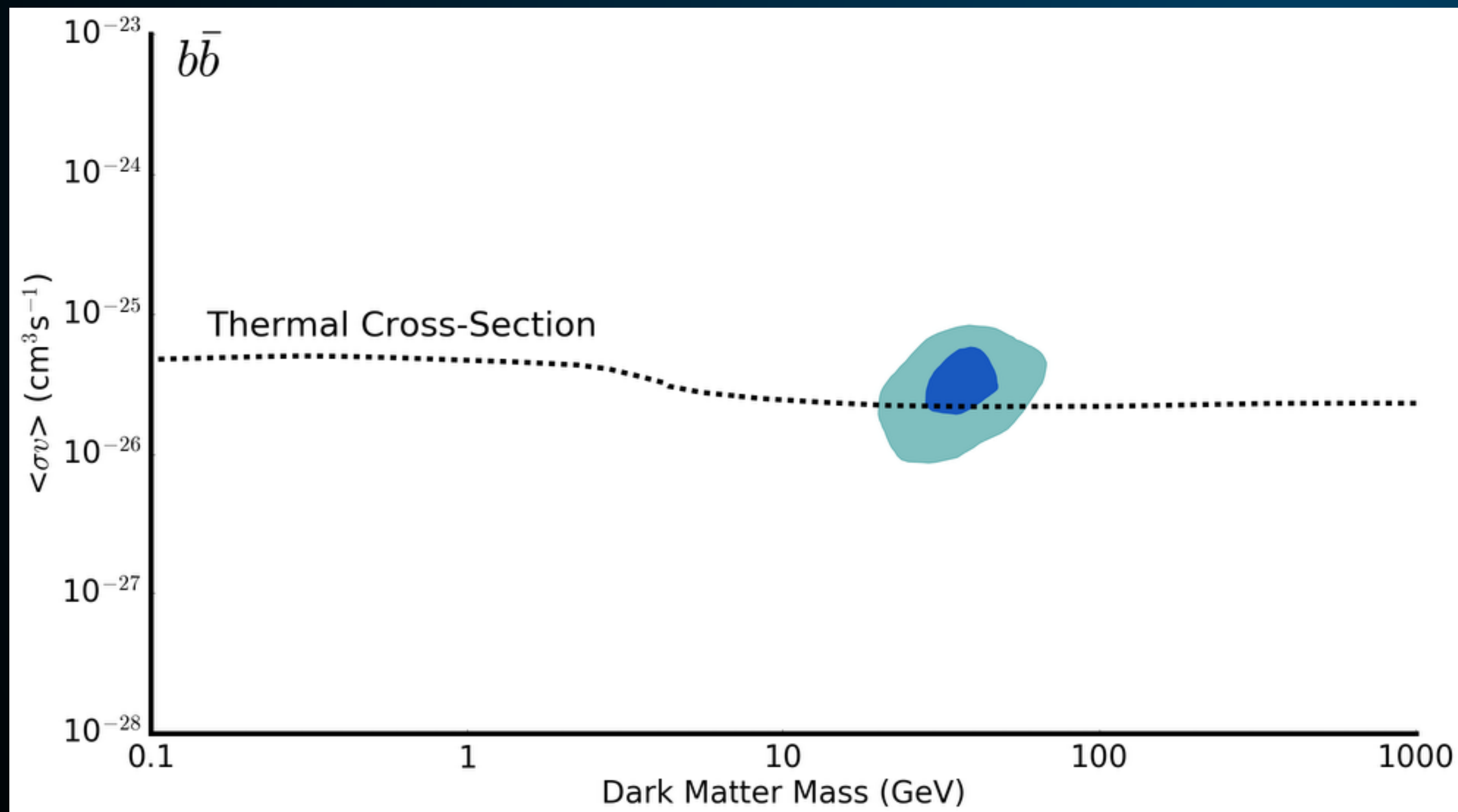
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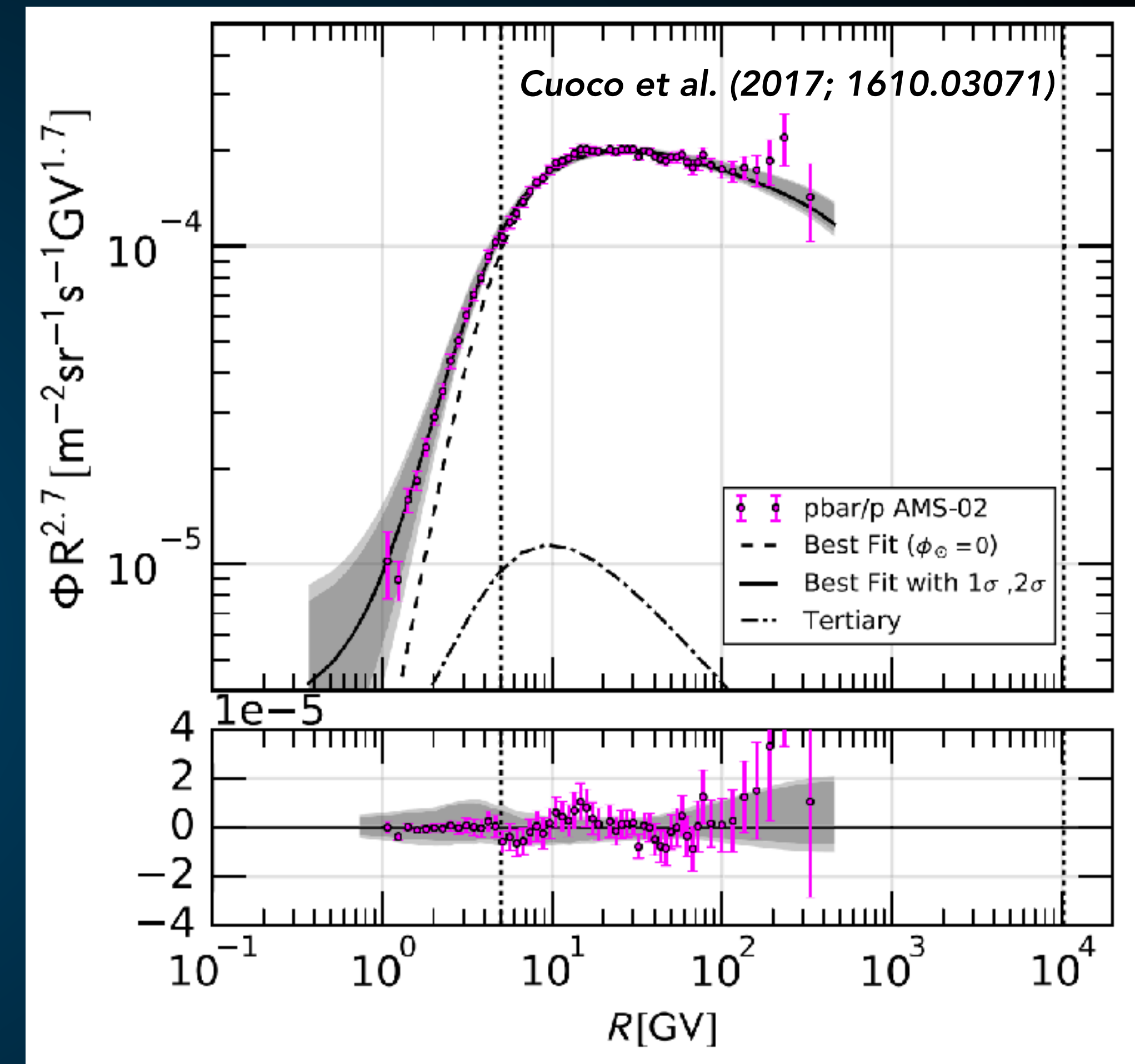
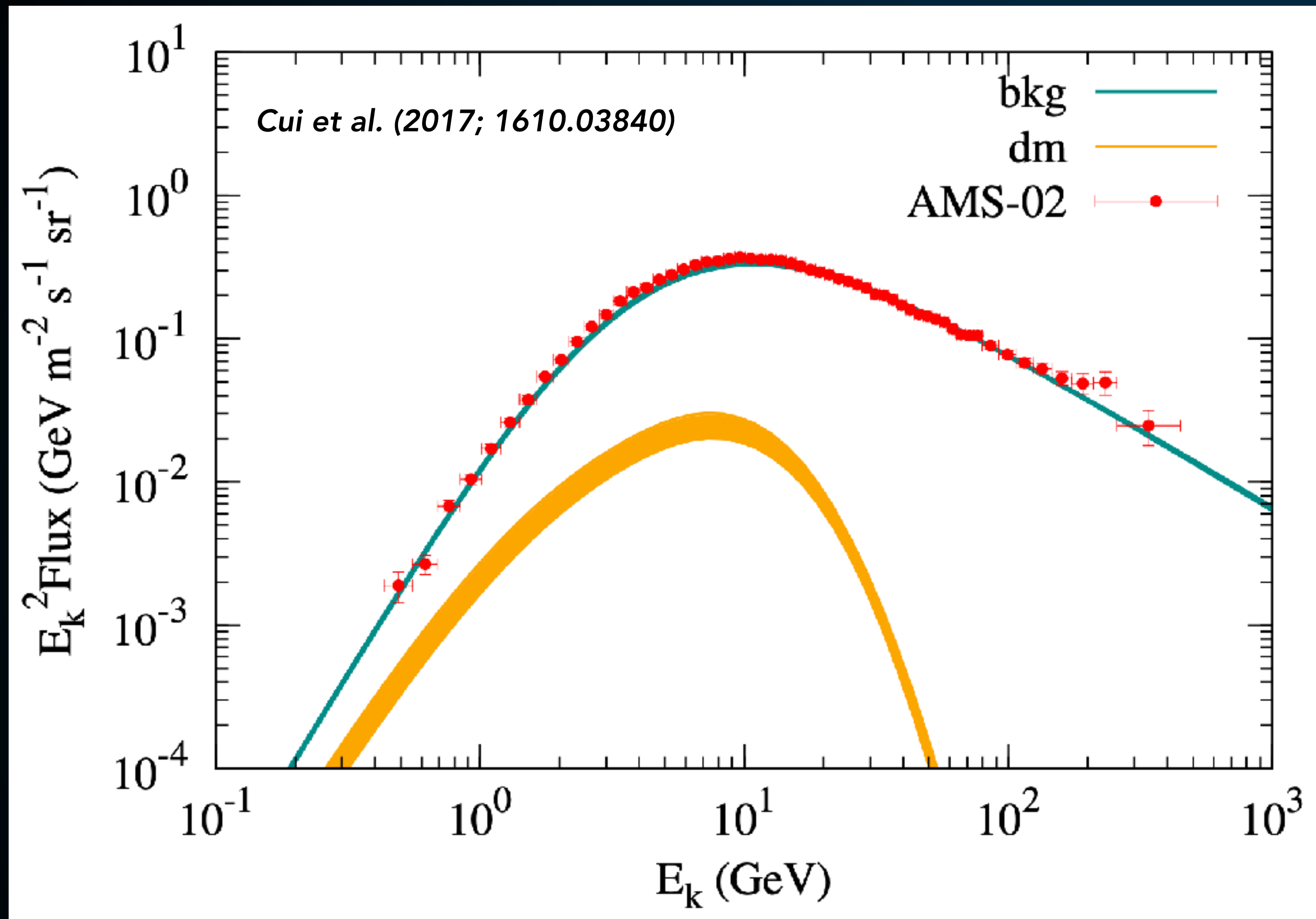
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Hint of Excess in ~5 GeV antiprotons!

Astrophysical Uncertainties can significantly affect the signal.

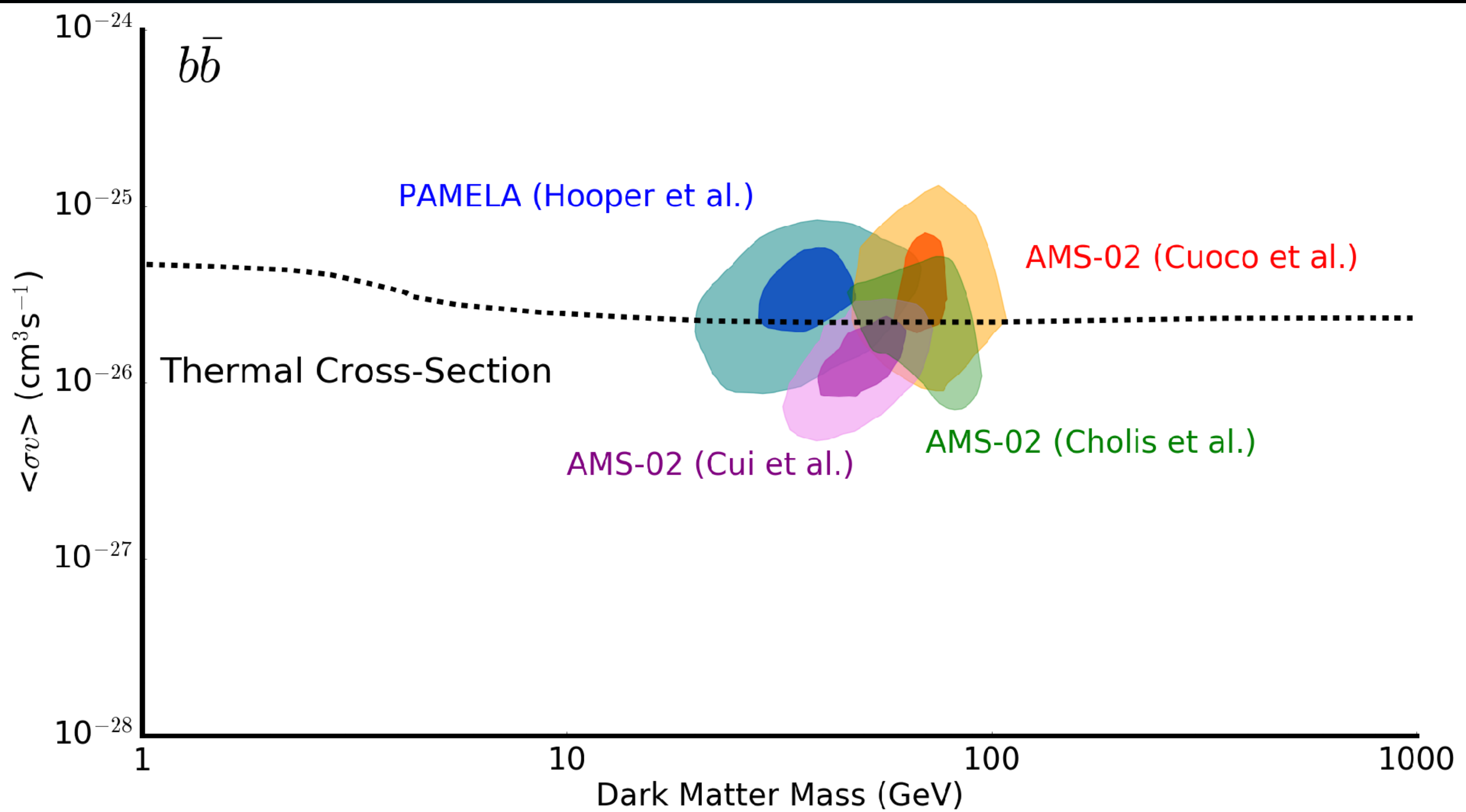


The Antiproton Excess



Two papers simultaneously find an excess in the AMS-02 Antiproton Data!

Significance approaching (or past) 5σ !



The Antiproton Excess - A Detection?

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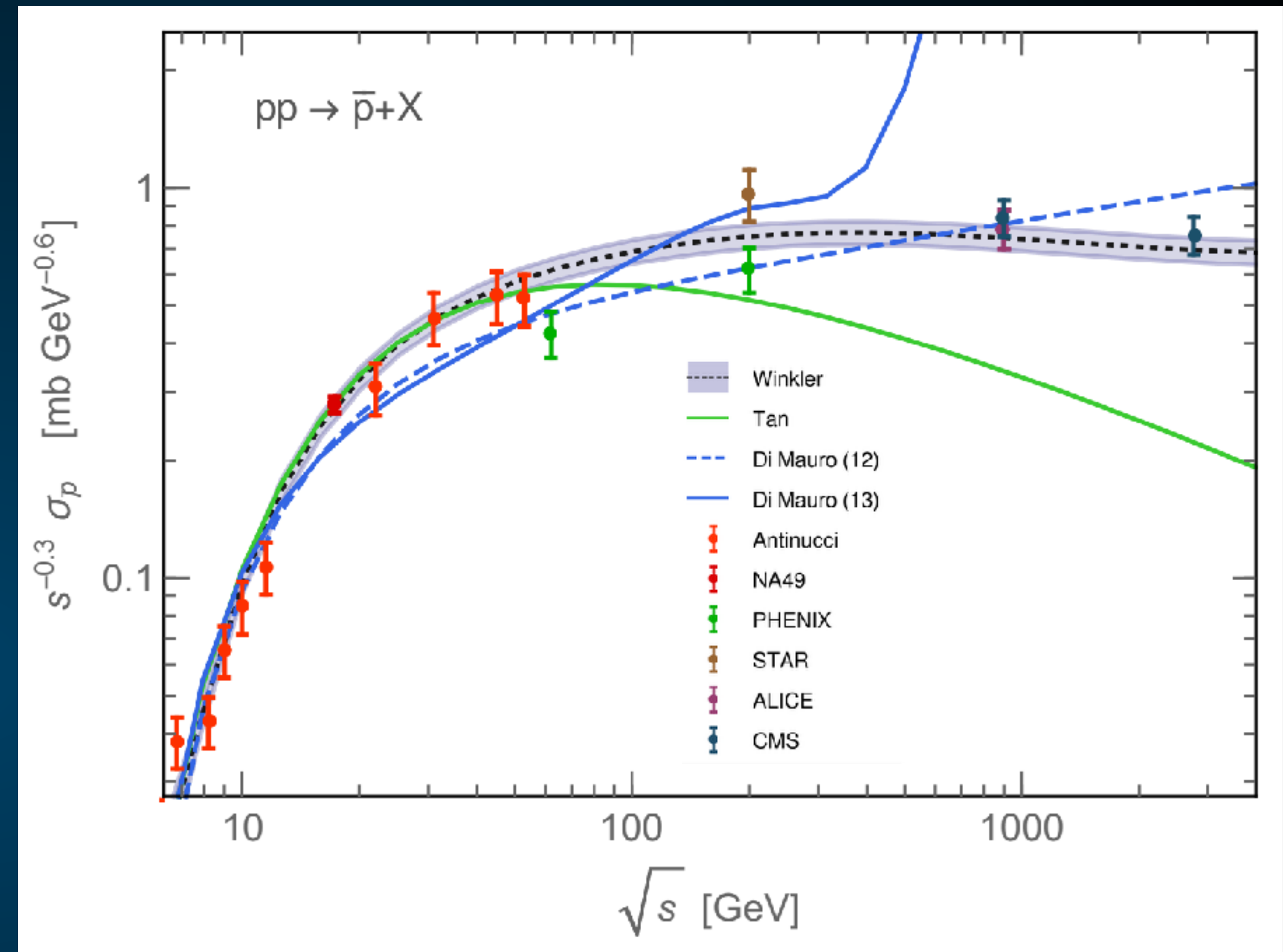
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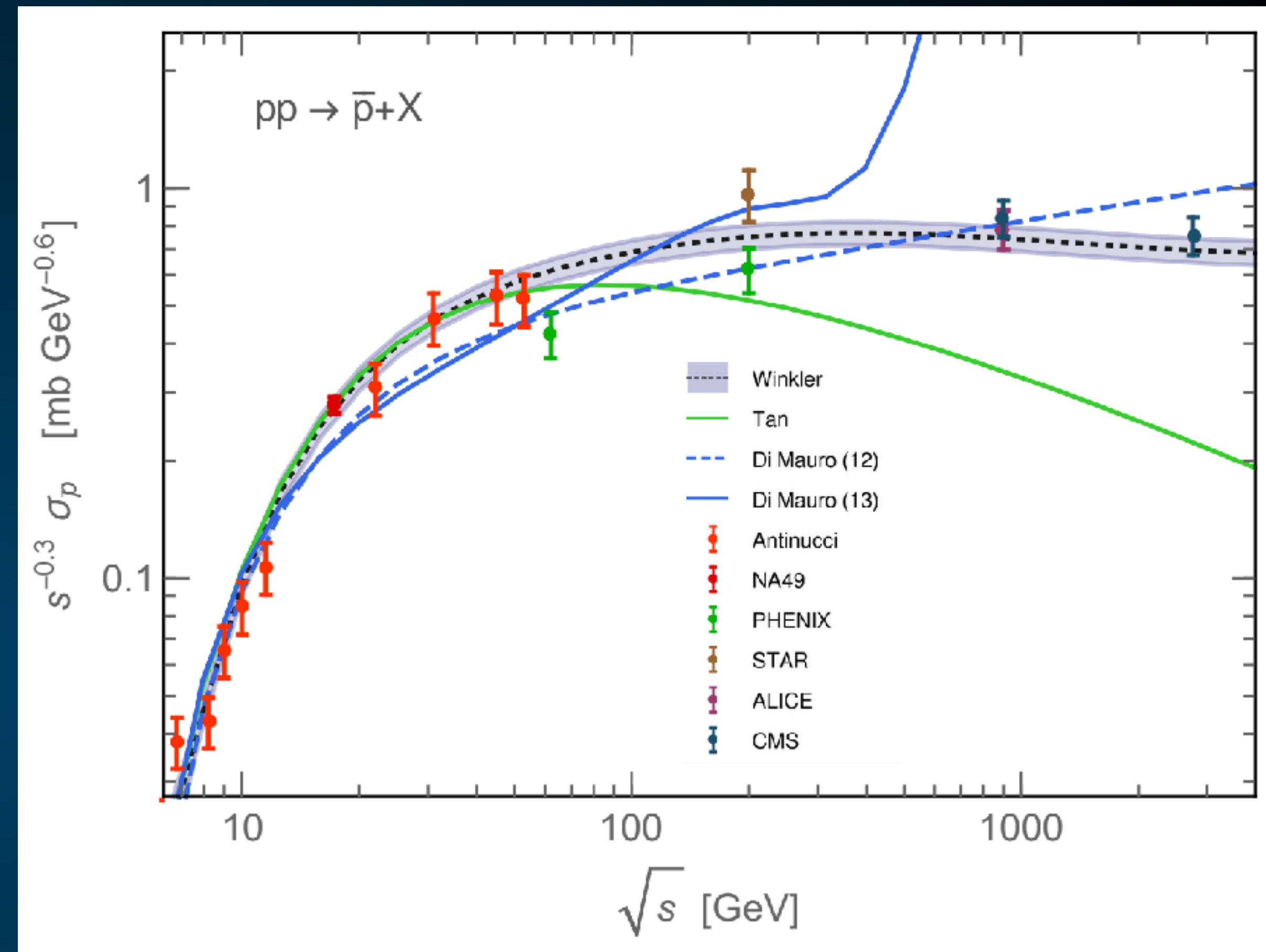
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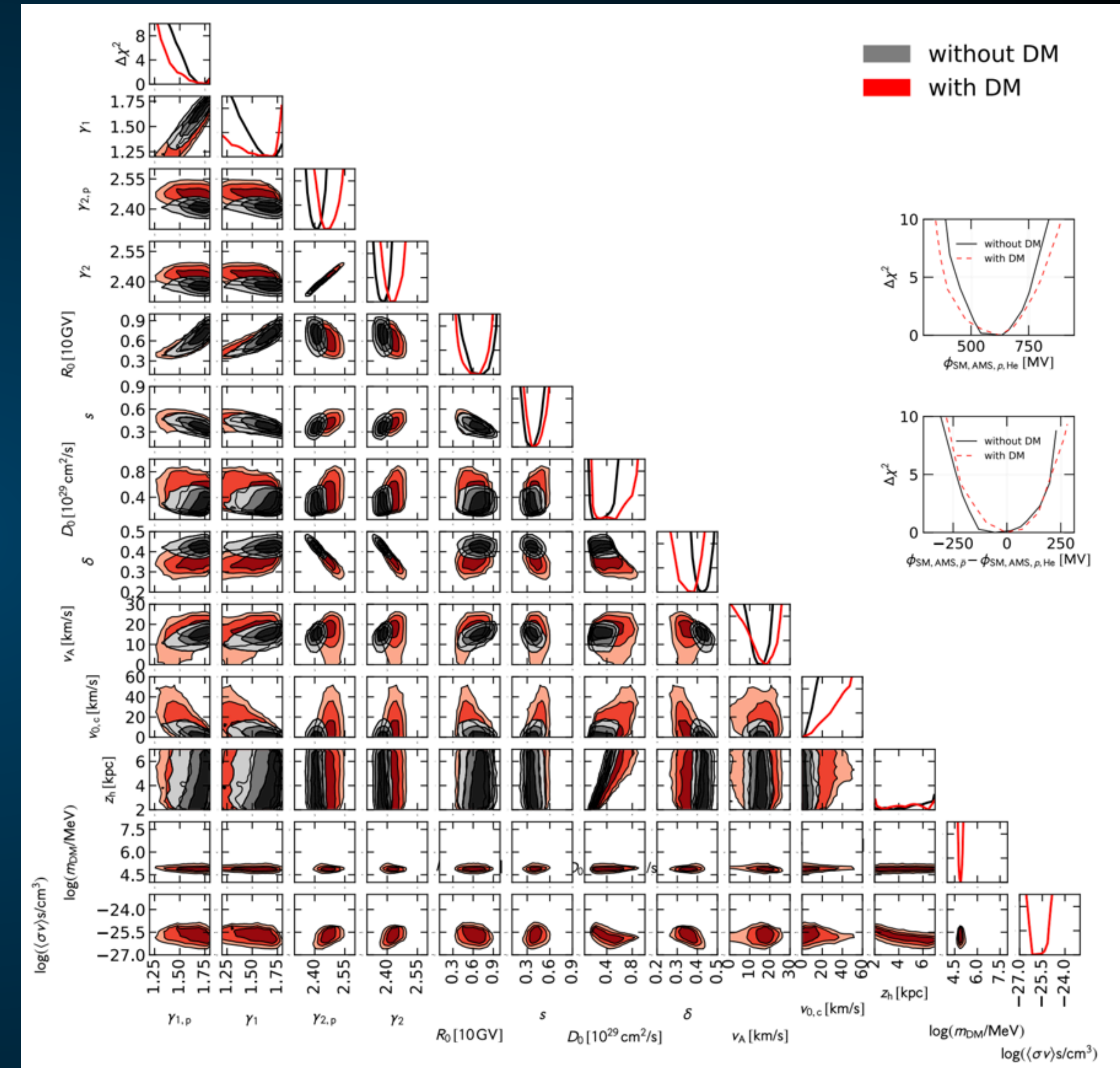
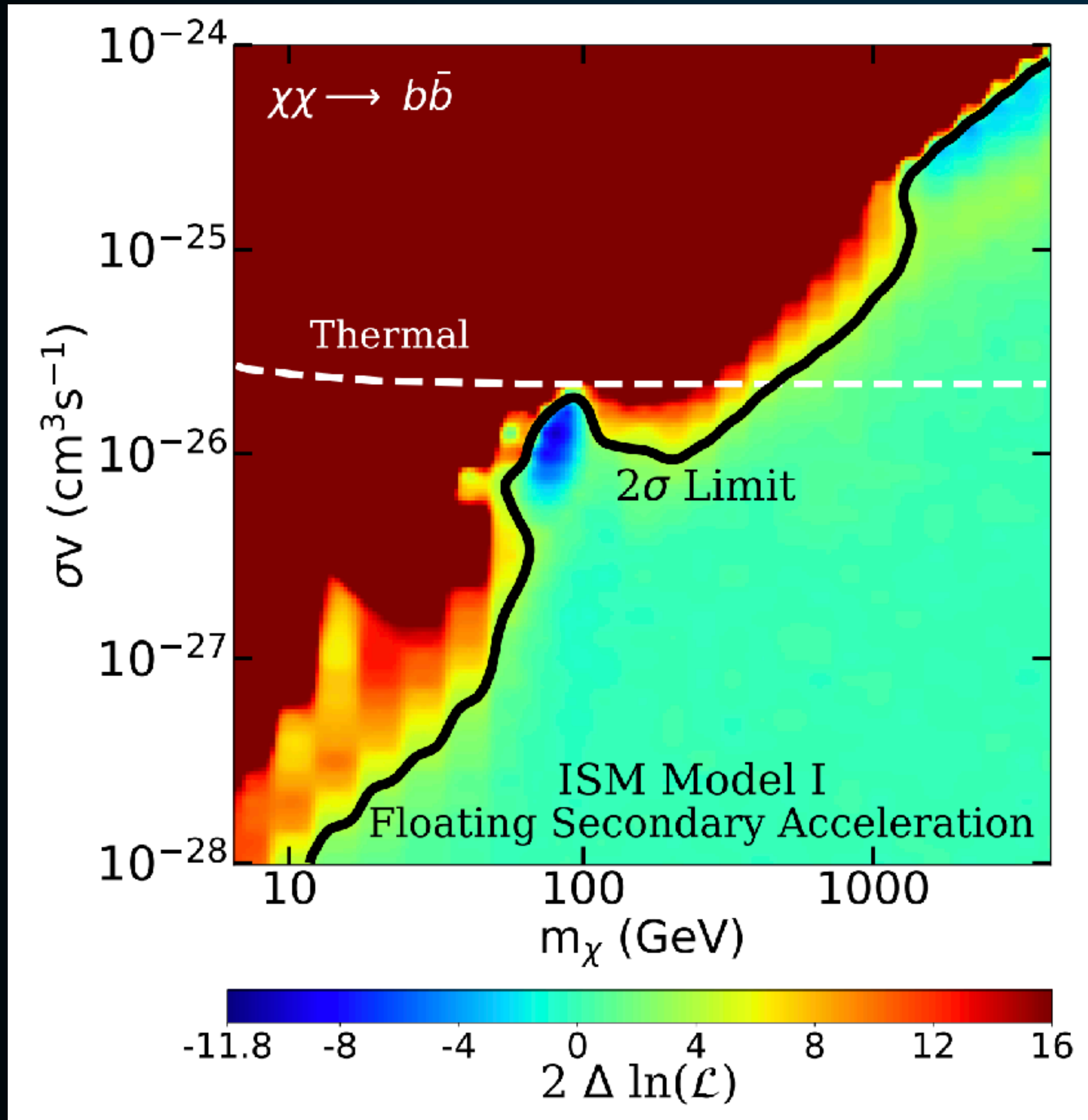
Galactic Primary to Secondary Ratios - Future AMS-02 Data!

Inhomogeneous Diffusion - TeV Halos

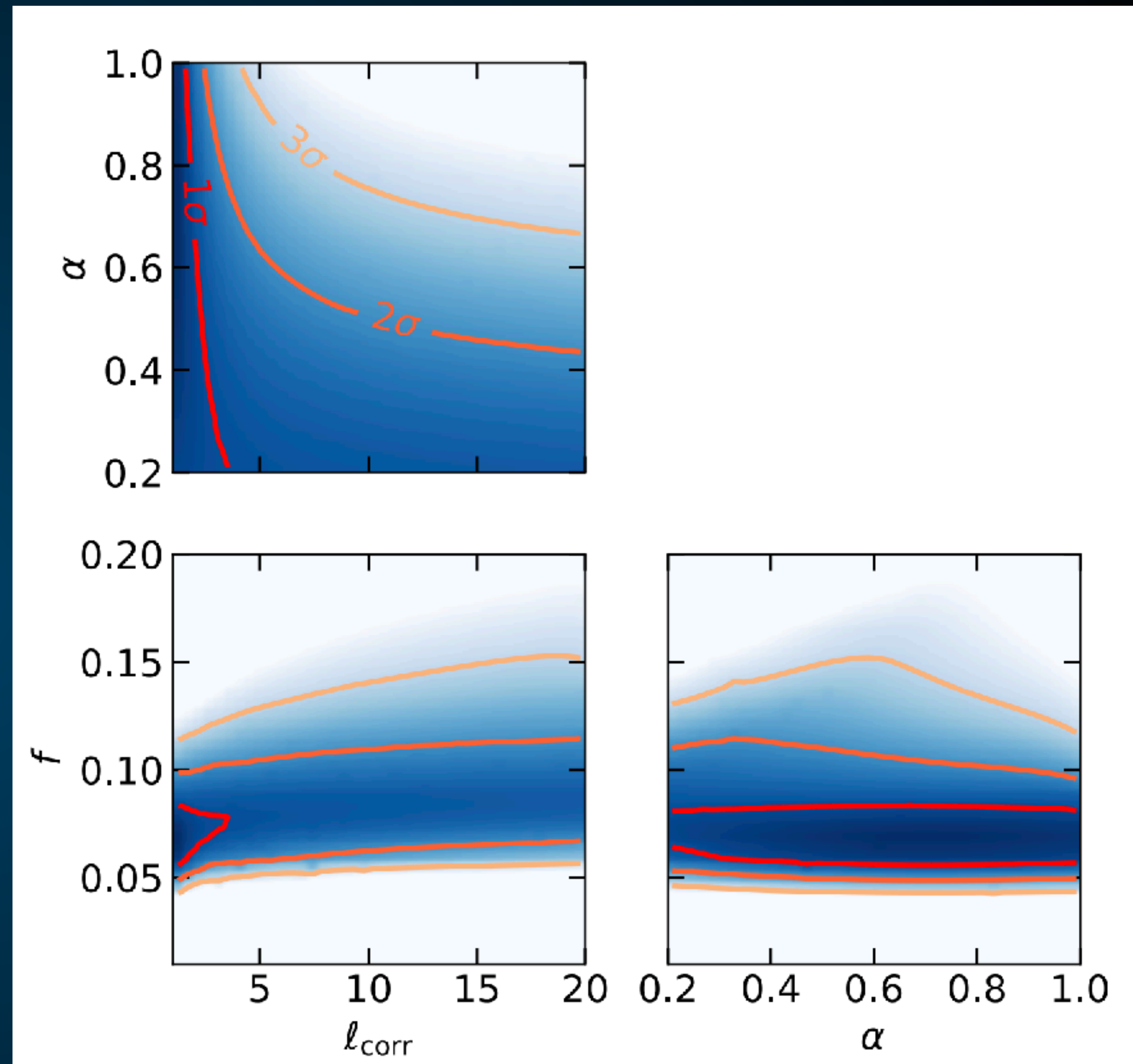
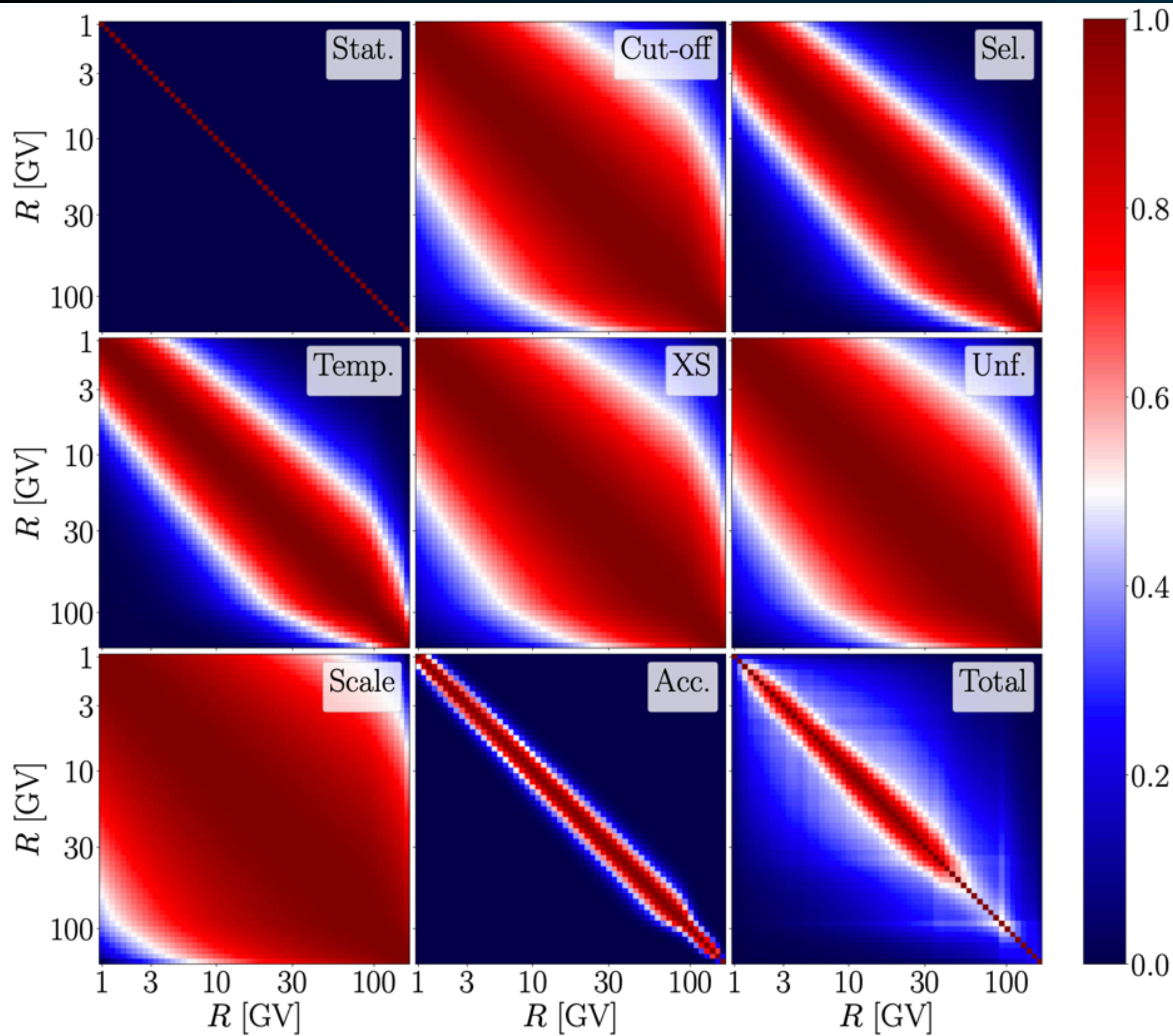
Solar Modulation - Voyager Data, Time-Dependent AMS-02 Data

Antiproton Production Cross-Section - LHCb / Laboratory Experiments

The Antiproton Excess — Robust Analyses

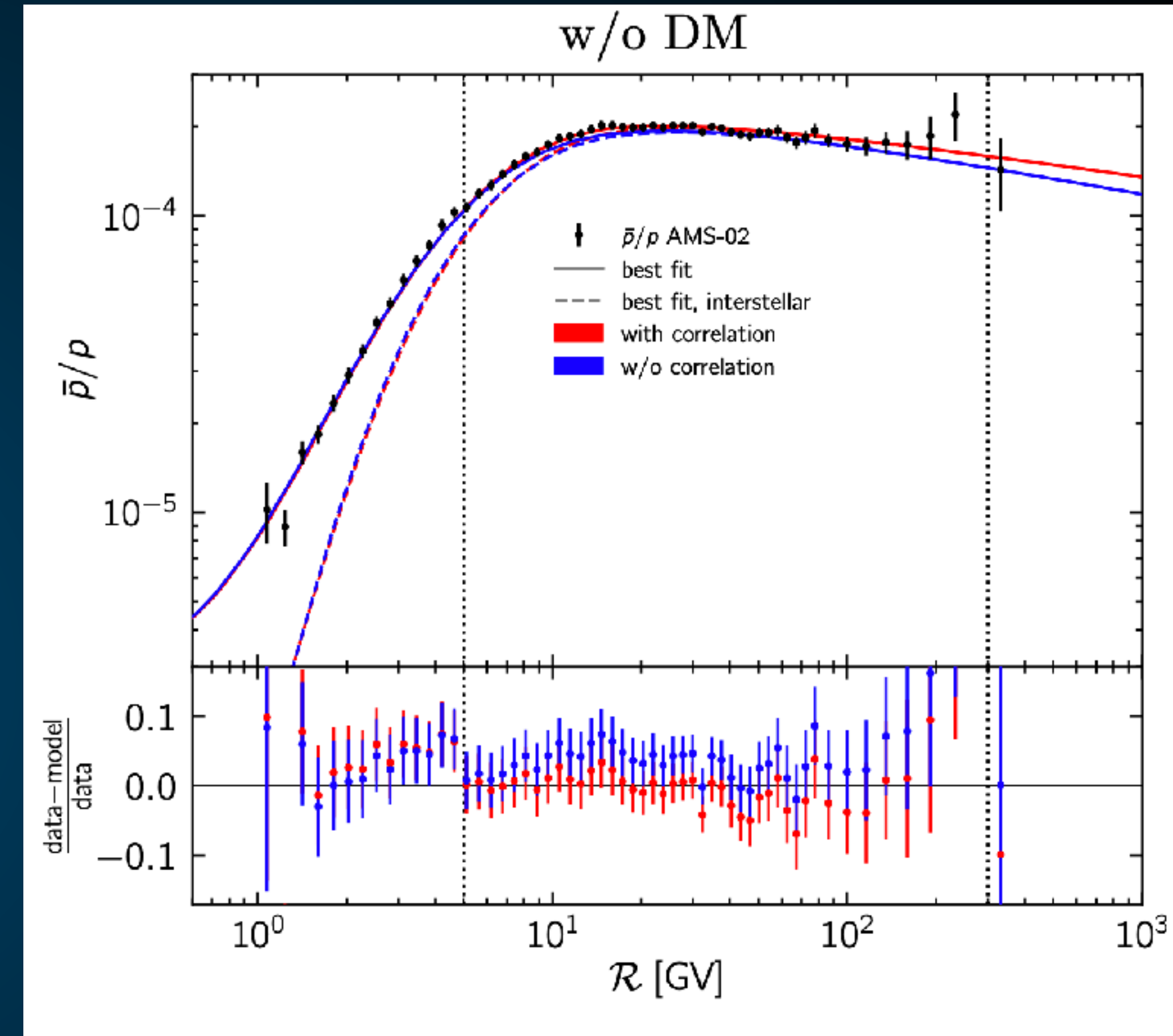
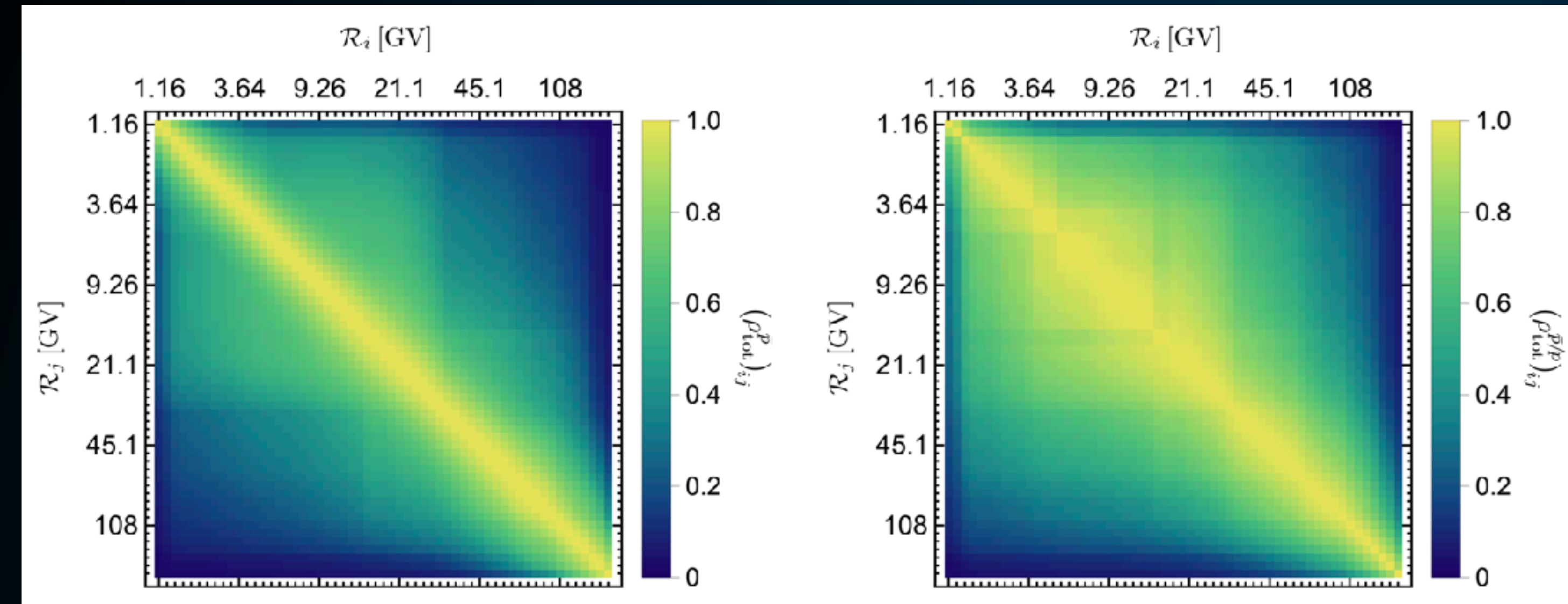


The Antiproton Excess — Correlation Matrices



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Heisig et al. (2005.04273)

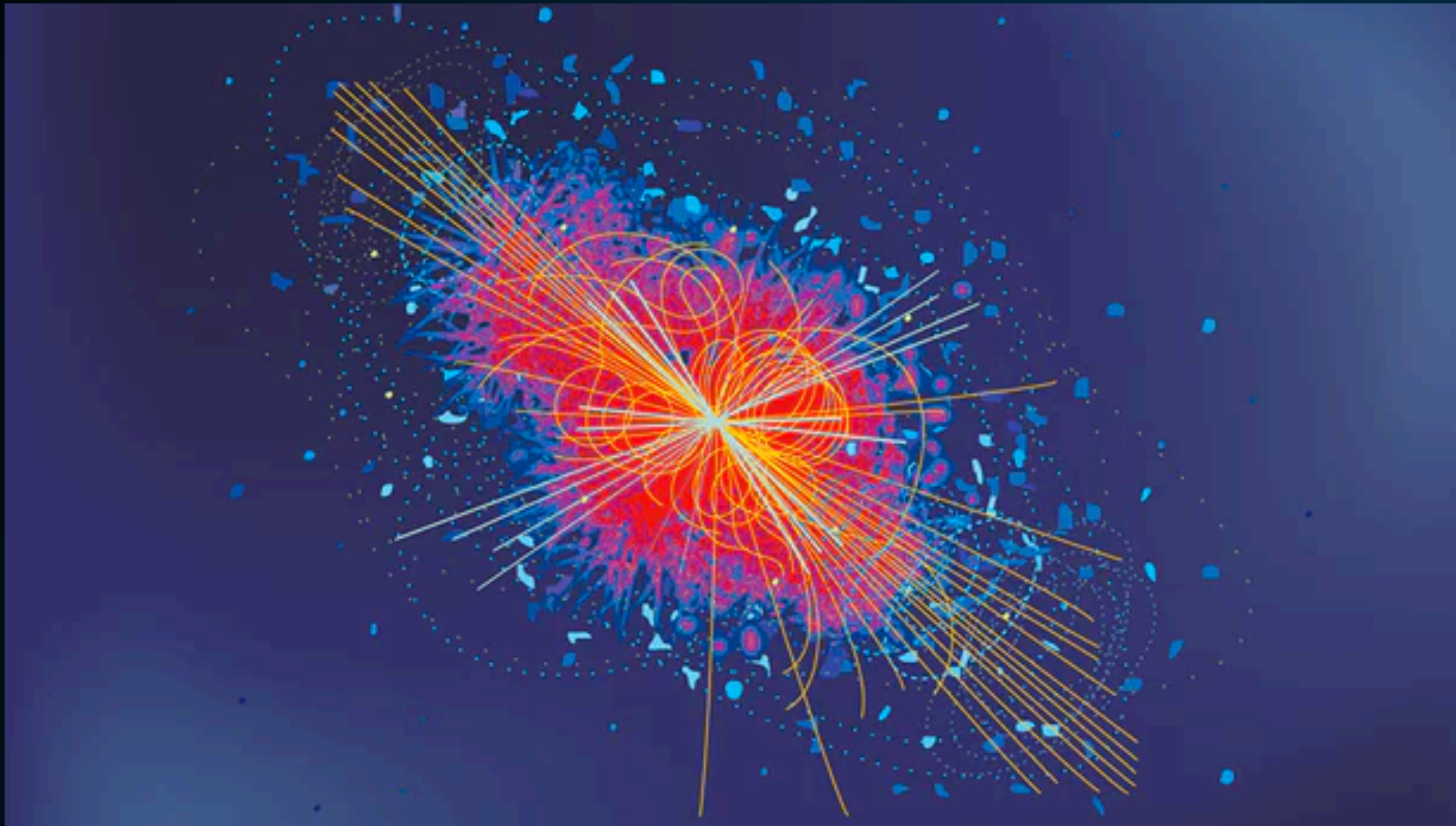


Correlated Systematic Uncertainties?

Antinuclei!?



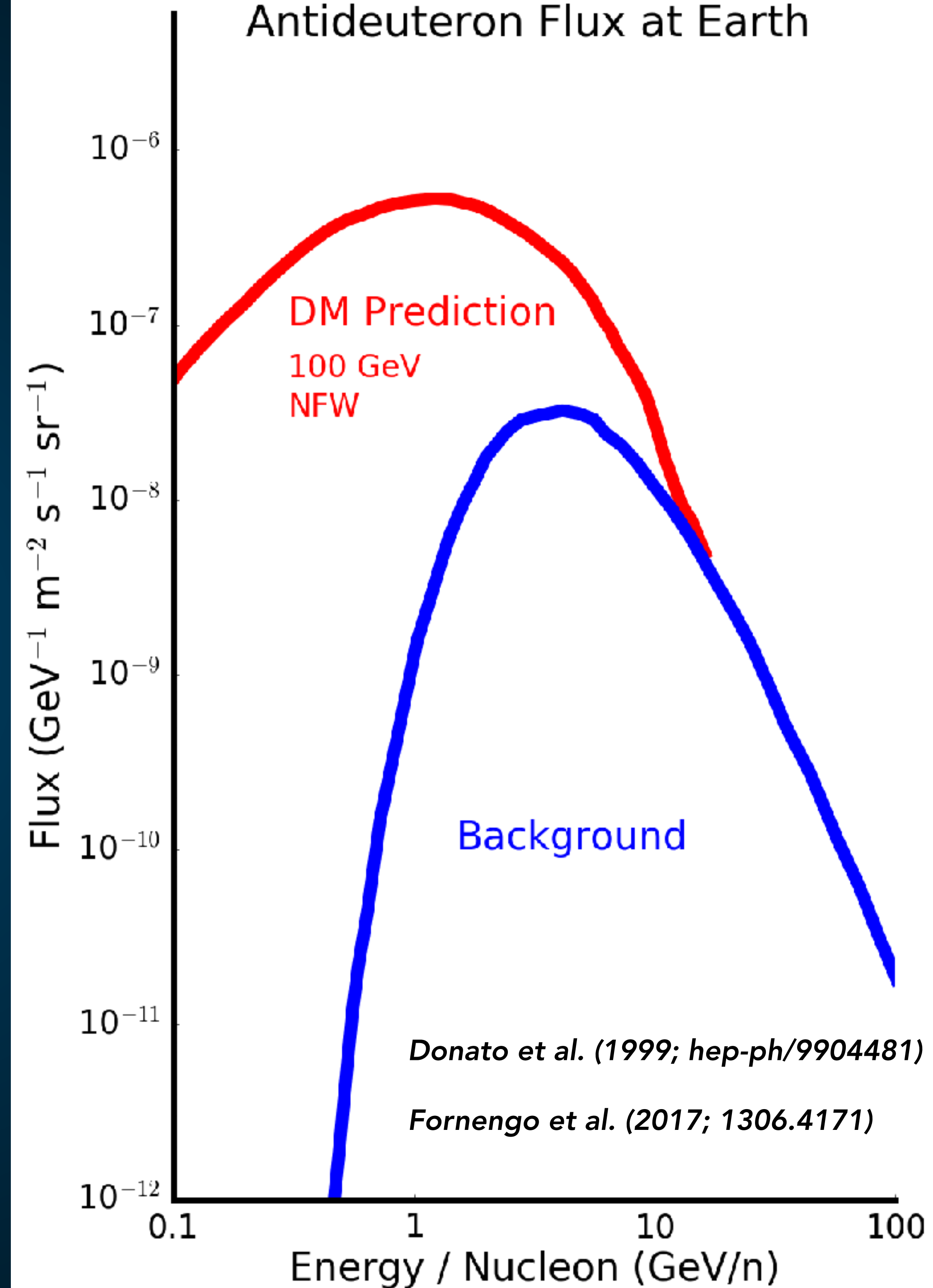
AntiNuclei - A Clean Search Strategy ?



Antinuclei carry away a significant fraction of the total momentum in a particle collision.

Astrophysical Antinuclei - Most be moving relativistically!

Dark Matter Antinuclei - Can be slow!



To date, we have observed eight events in the mass region from 0 to 10 GeV with $Z = -2$. All eight events are in the helium mass region.

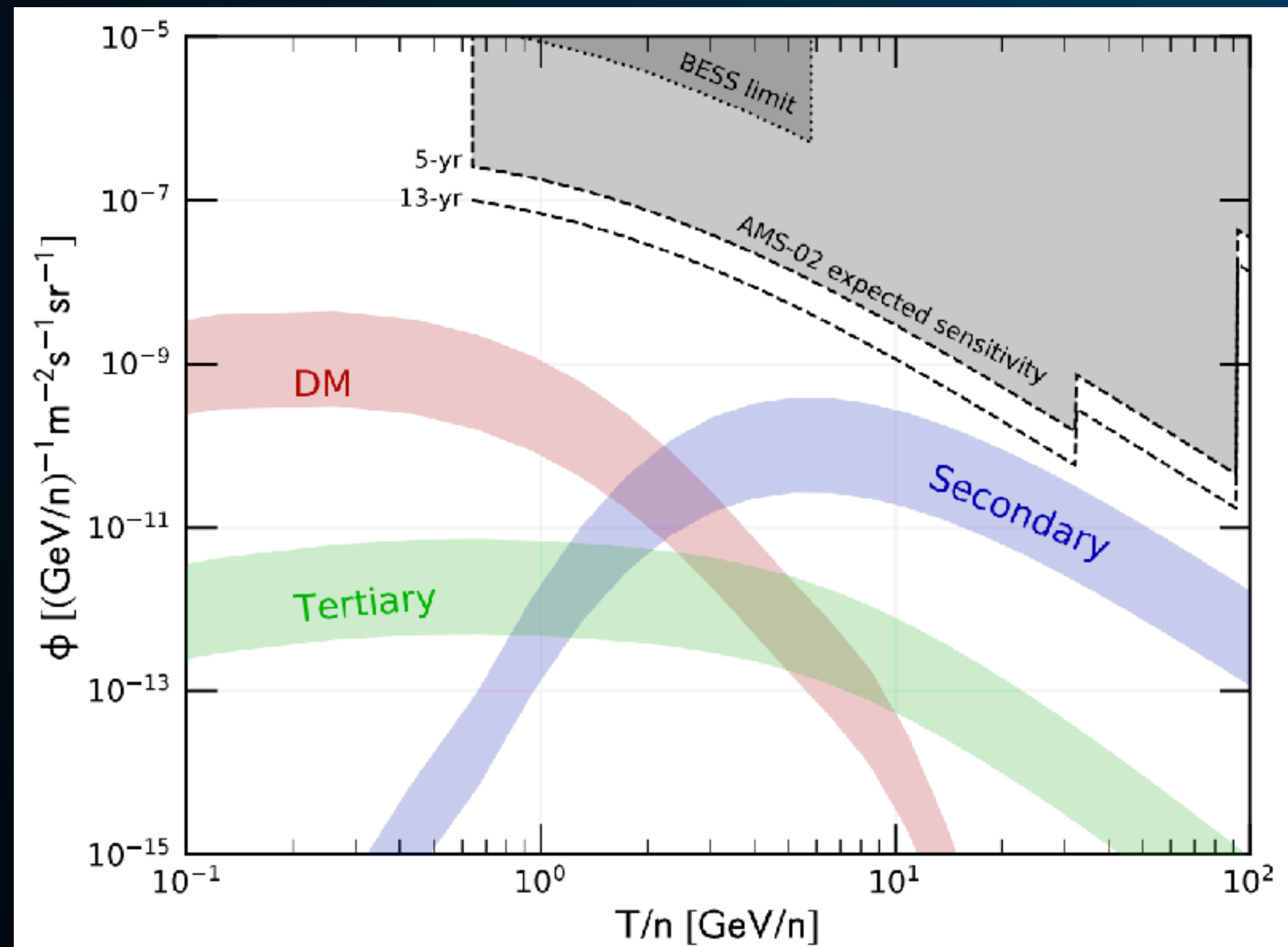
Currently (having used 50 million core hours to generate 7 times more simulated events than measured events and having found no background events from the simulation), our best evaluation of the probability of the background origin for the eight $\bar{\text{He}}$ events is **less than 3×10^{-8}** . For the two ${}^4\bar{\text{He}}$ events our best evaluation of the probability (upon completion of the current 100 million core hours of simulation) will be less than 3×10^{-3} .

Note that for ${}^4\bar{\text{He}}$, projecting based on the statistics we have today, by using an additional 400 million core hours for simulation the background probability would be 10^{-4} . Simultaneously, continuing to run until 2023, which doubles the data sample, the background probability for ${}^4\bar{\text{He}}$ would be **2×10^{-7}** , i.e., greater than 5-sigma significance.

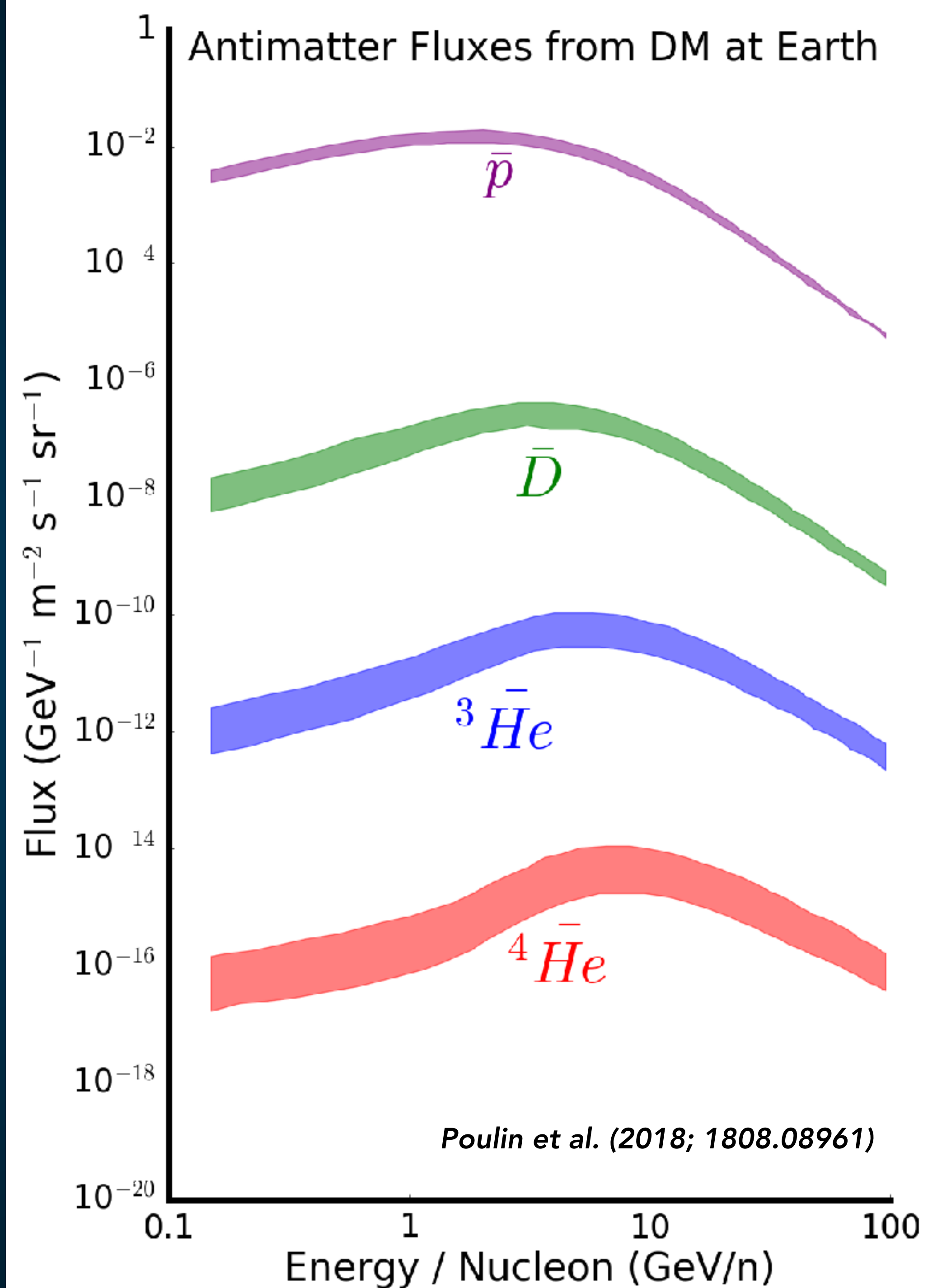
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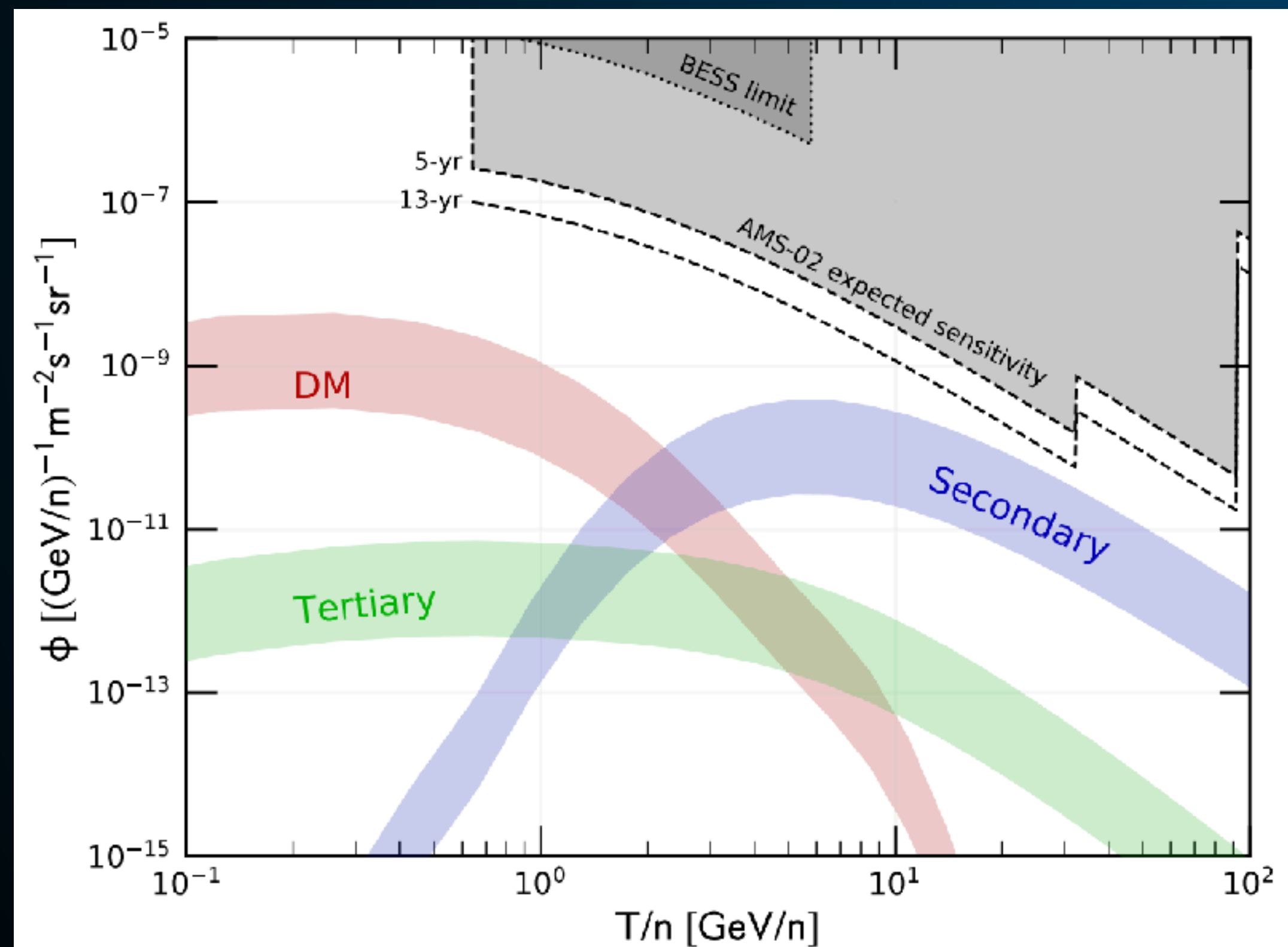


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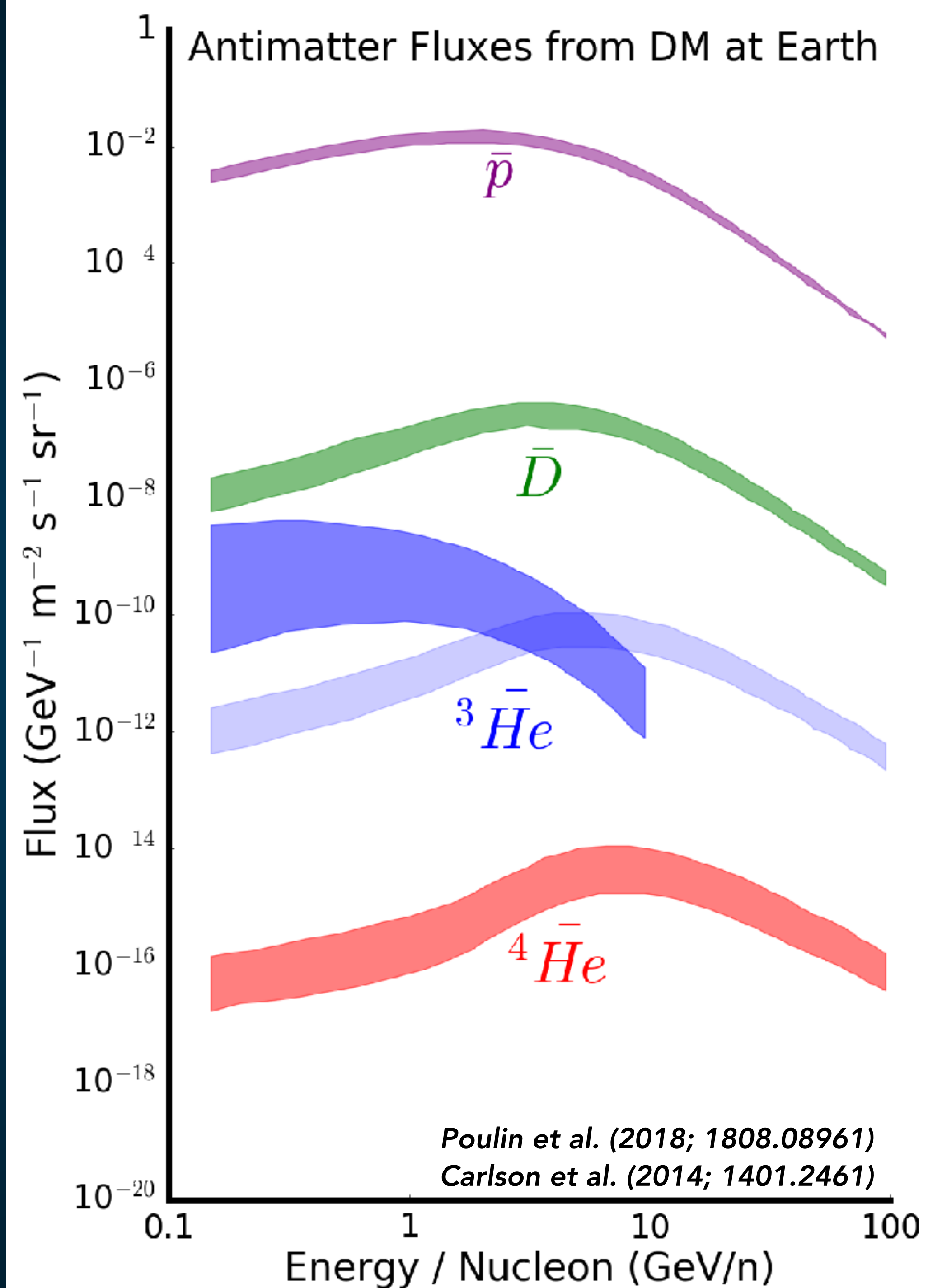
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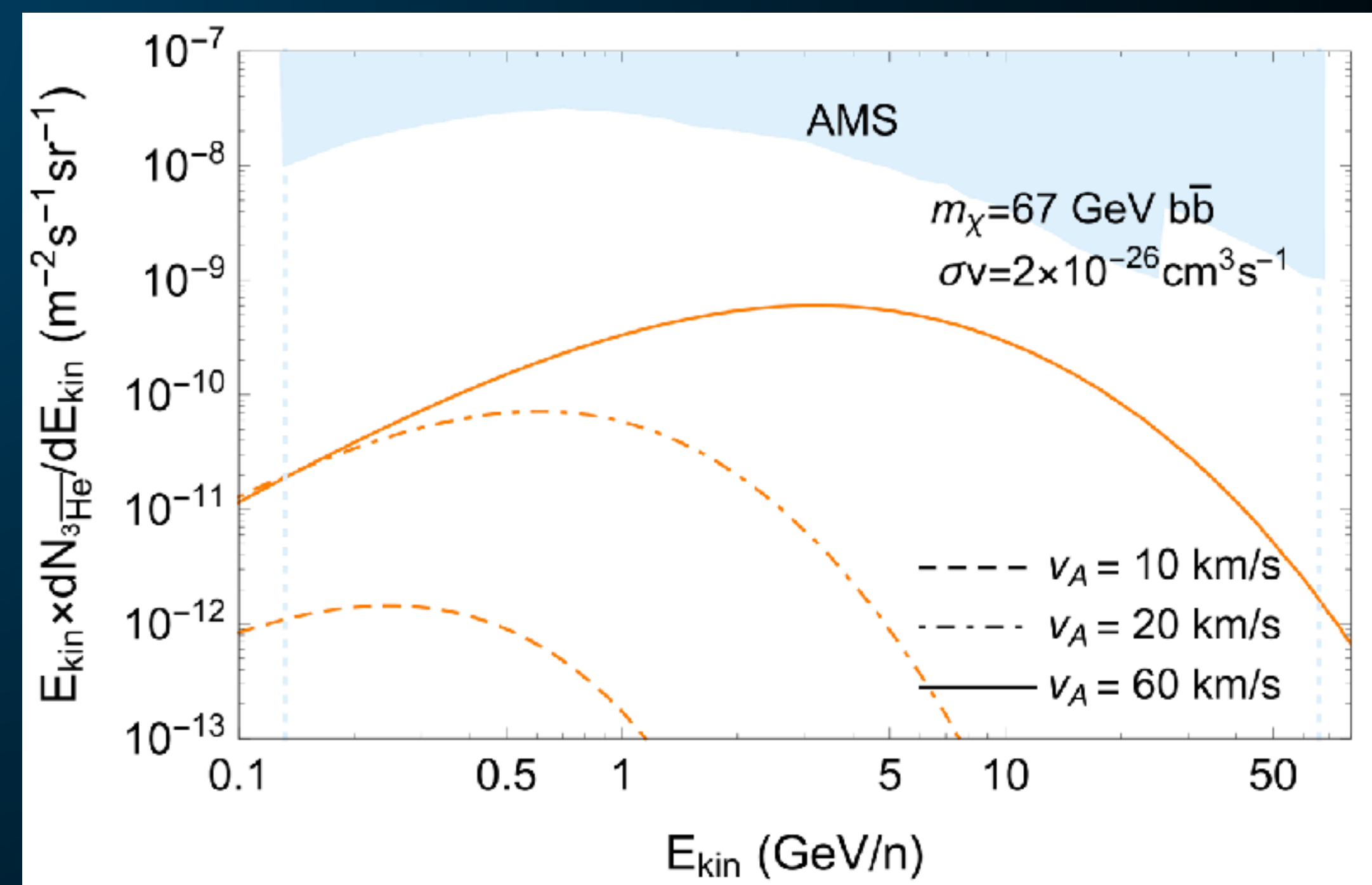
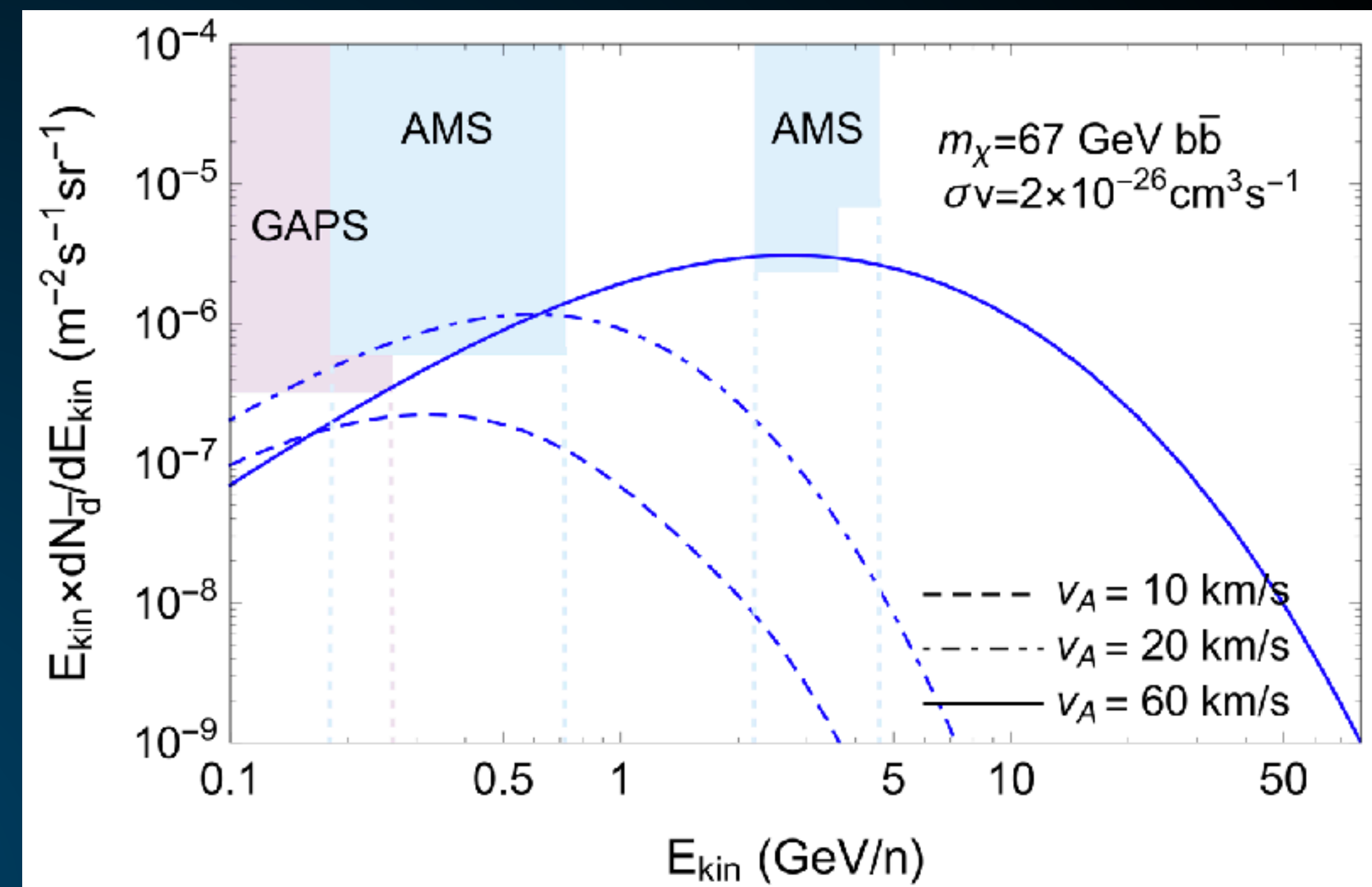
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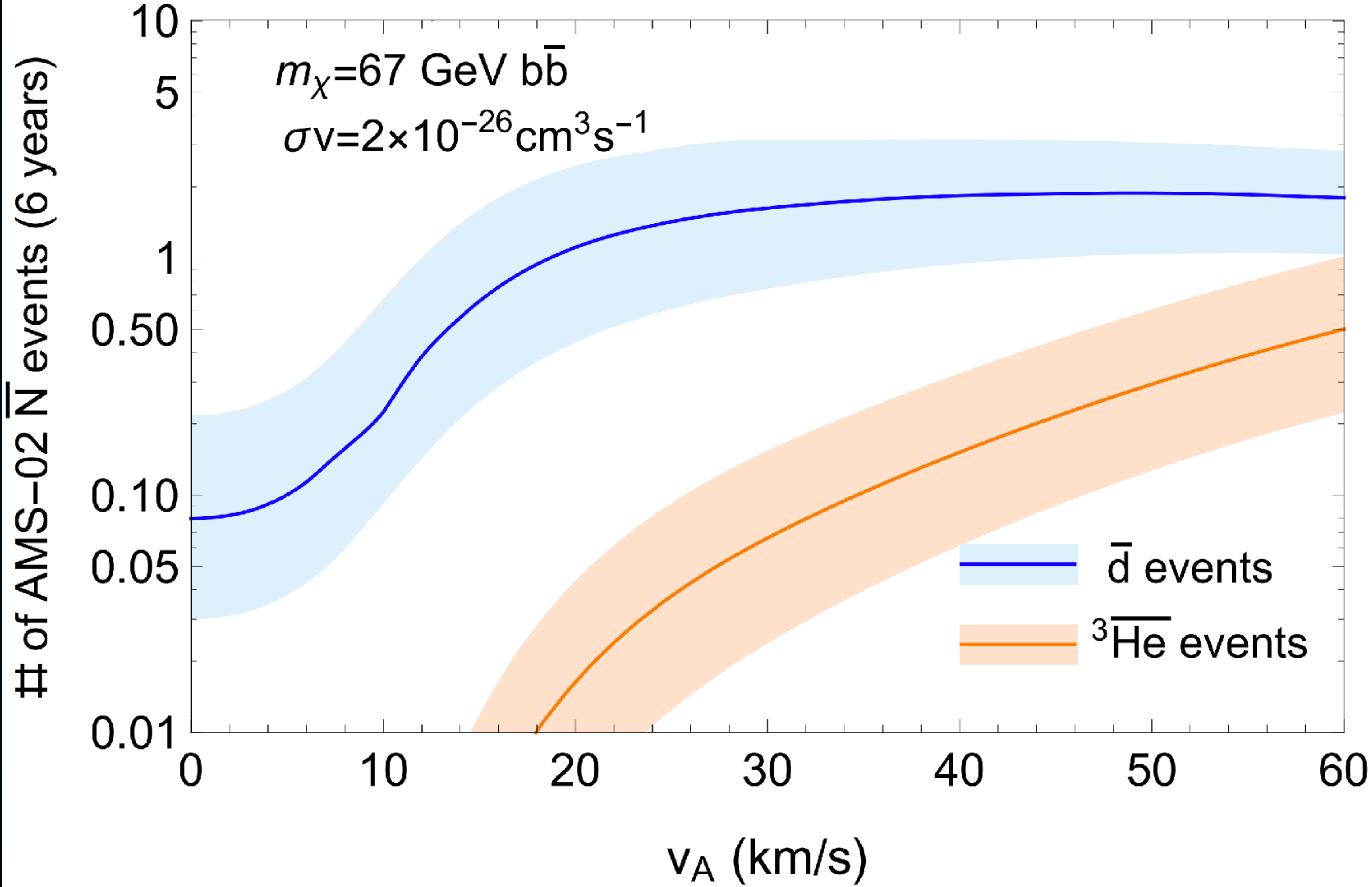
Astrophysical Enhancements!

The current event rates depend on the detector sensitivity to anti-Helium.

We lose many events because most anti-He are produced at energies that are too small to be detected.

Use re-acceleration to boost the anti-He energies into the detectable range!





Dark Matter Annihilation Can Produce a Detectable Antihelium Flux through $\bar{\Lambda}_b$ Decays

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Recent observations by the Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer (AMS-02) have tentatively detected a handful of cosmic-ray antihelium events. Such events have long been considered as smoking-gun evidence for new physics, because astrophysical antihelium production is expected to be negligible. However, the dark-matter-induced antihelium flux is also expected to fall below current sensitivities, particularly in light of existing antiproton constraints. Here, we demonstrate that a previously neglected standard model process — the production of antihelium through the displaced-vertex decay of $\bar{\Lambda}_b$ -baryons — can significantly boost the dark matter induced antihelium flux. This process can triple the standard prompt-production of antihelium, and more importantly, entirely dominate the production of the high-energy antihelium nuclei reported by AMS-02.

I. INTRODUCTION

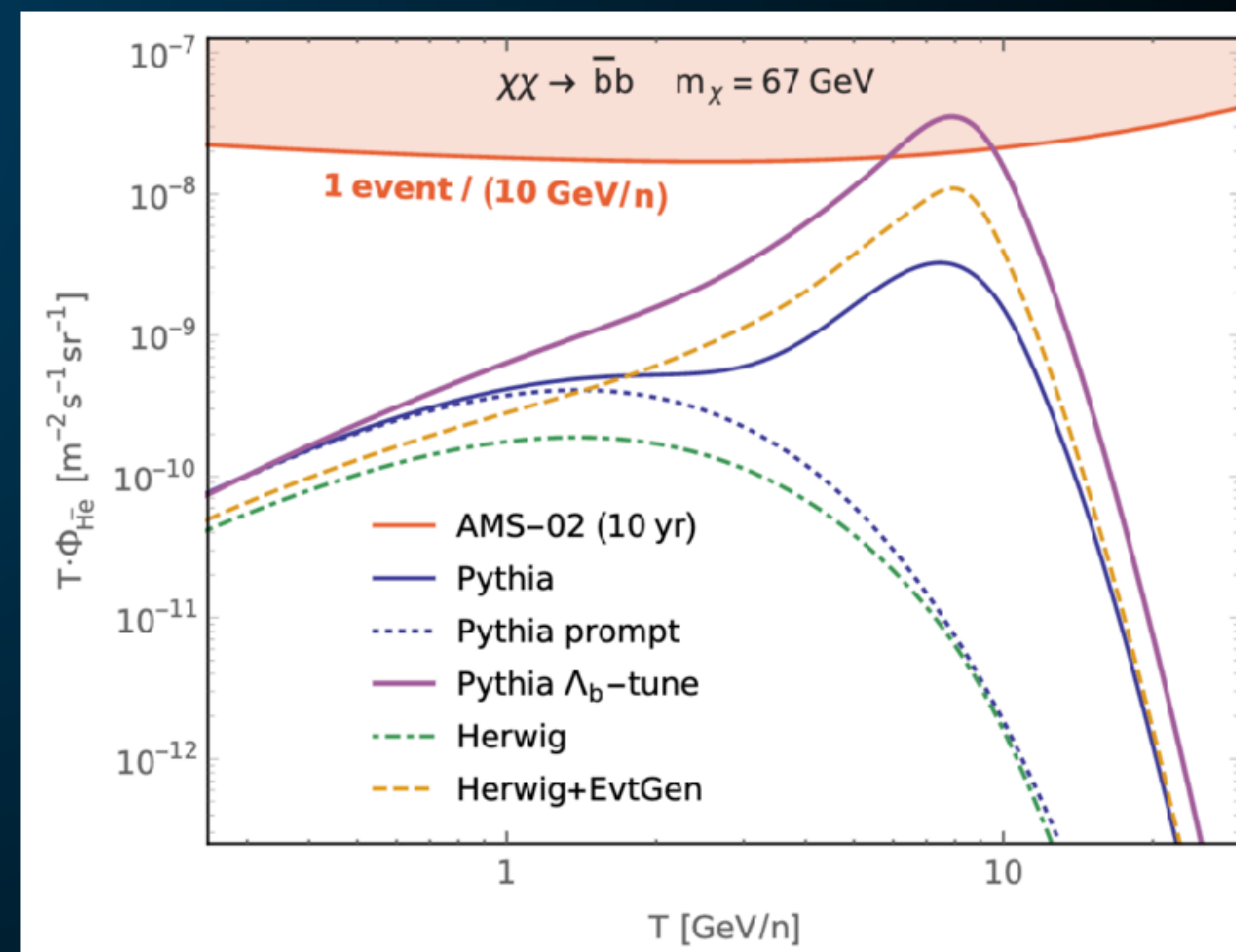
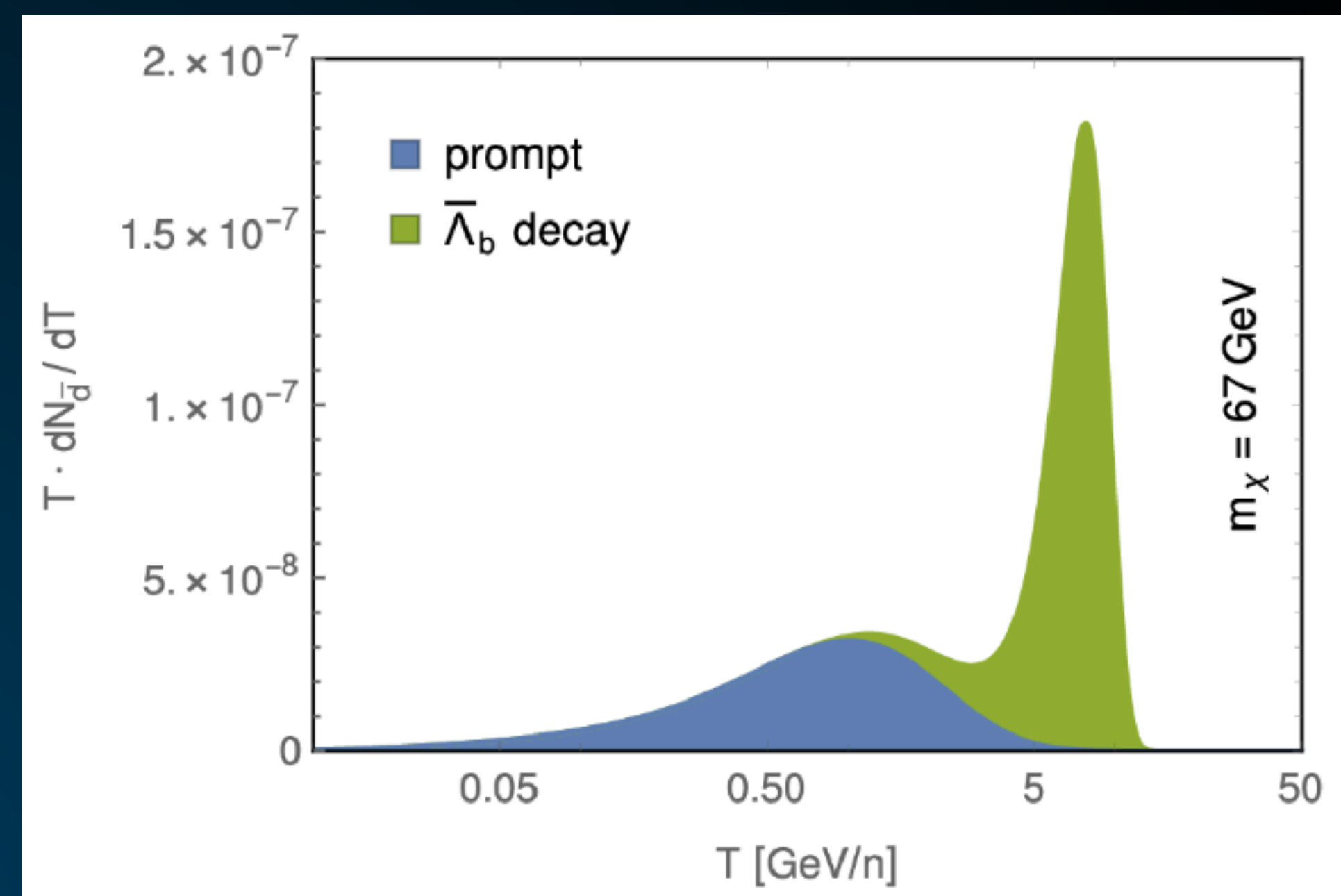
The detection of massive cosmic-ray antinuclei has long been considered a holy grail in searches for WIMP dark matter [1, 2]. Primary cosmic-rays from astrophysical sources are matter-dominated, accelerated by nearby supernova, pulsars, and other extreme objects. The secondary cosmic-rays produced by the hadronic interactions of primary cosmic-rays can include an antinuclei component, but the flux is highly suppressed by baryon number conservation and kinematic constraints [3, 4]. Dark matter annihilation, on the other hand, occurs within the rest frame of the Milky Way and produces equal baryon and antibaryon fluxes [1, 5–7]

In this *letter*, we challenge the current understanding that standard dark matter annihilation models cannot produce a measurable antihelium flux. Our analysis examines a known, and potentially dominant, antinuclei production mode which has been neglected by previous literature – the production of antihelium through the off-vertex decays of the $\bar{\Lambda}_b$. Such bottom baryons are generically produced in dark matter annihilation channels involving b quarks. Their decays efficiently produce heavy antinuclei due to their antibaryon number and 5.6 GeV rest-mass, which effectively decays to multi-nucleon states with small relative momenta. Intriguingly, because any ${}^3\bar{\text{He}}$ produced by $\bar{\Lambda}_b$ inherits its boost factor, these nuclei can obtain the large center-of-mass momenta necessary to fit AMS-02 data [13].

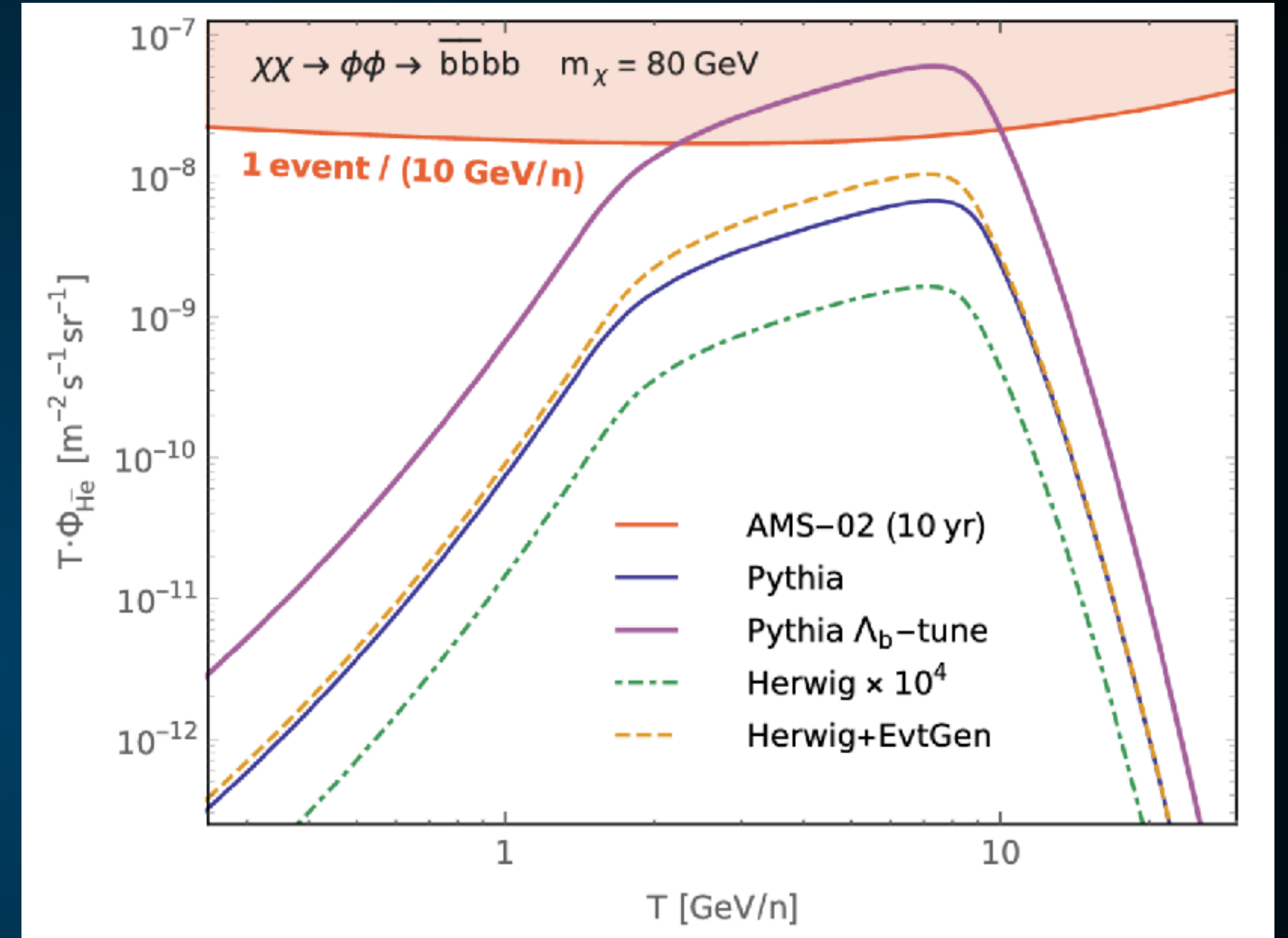
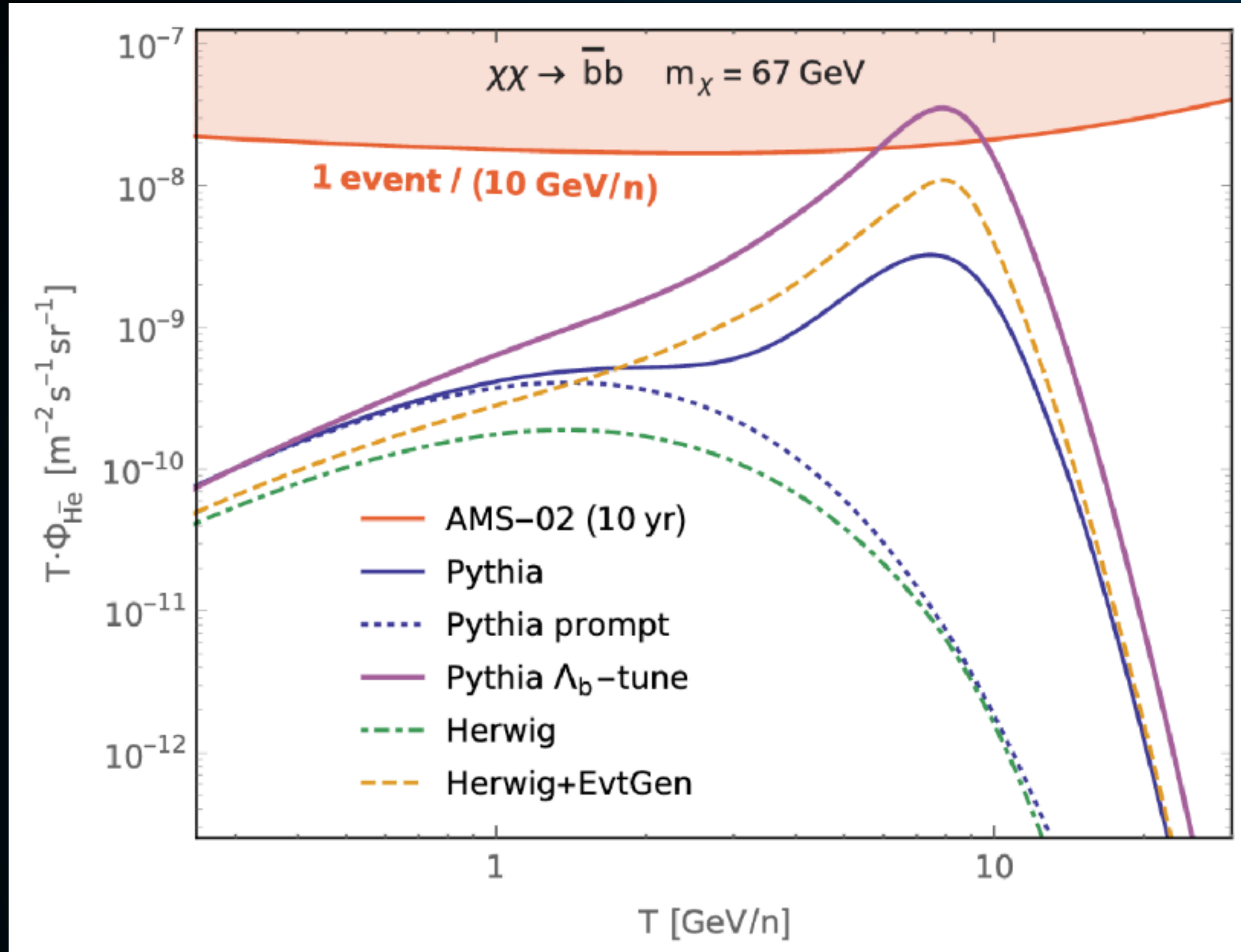
Particle Physics Enhancements!

Previous analyses have missed the (potentially) dominant contribution to anti-Helium production.

The displaced-vertex decays of Λ_b baryons potentially boosts the detectable AMS-02 signal by orders of magnitude!



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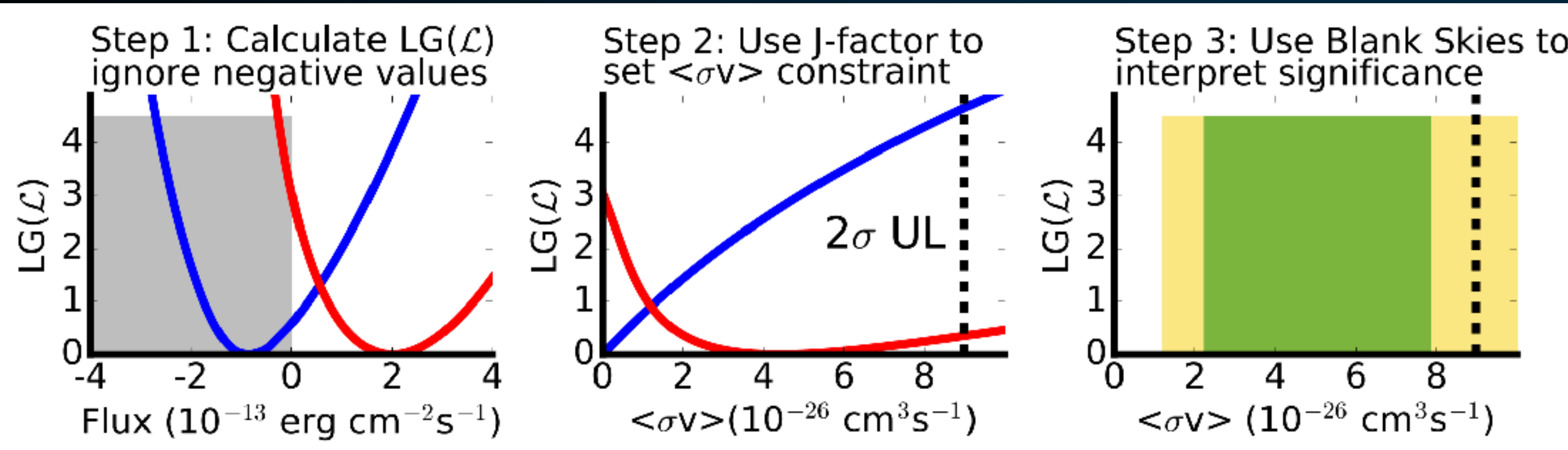


Generator	P	P [Λ_b -tune]	H	H+EvtGen
$\bar{3}\text{He}$ events	0.1 (0.007)	0.9	0.003	0.3
\bar{d} events	3.7 (3.5)	4.2	1.7	2.1



Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxies

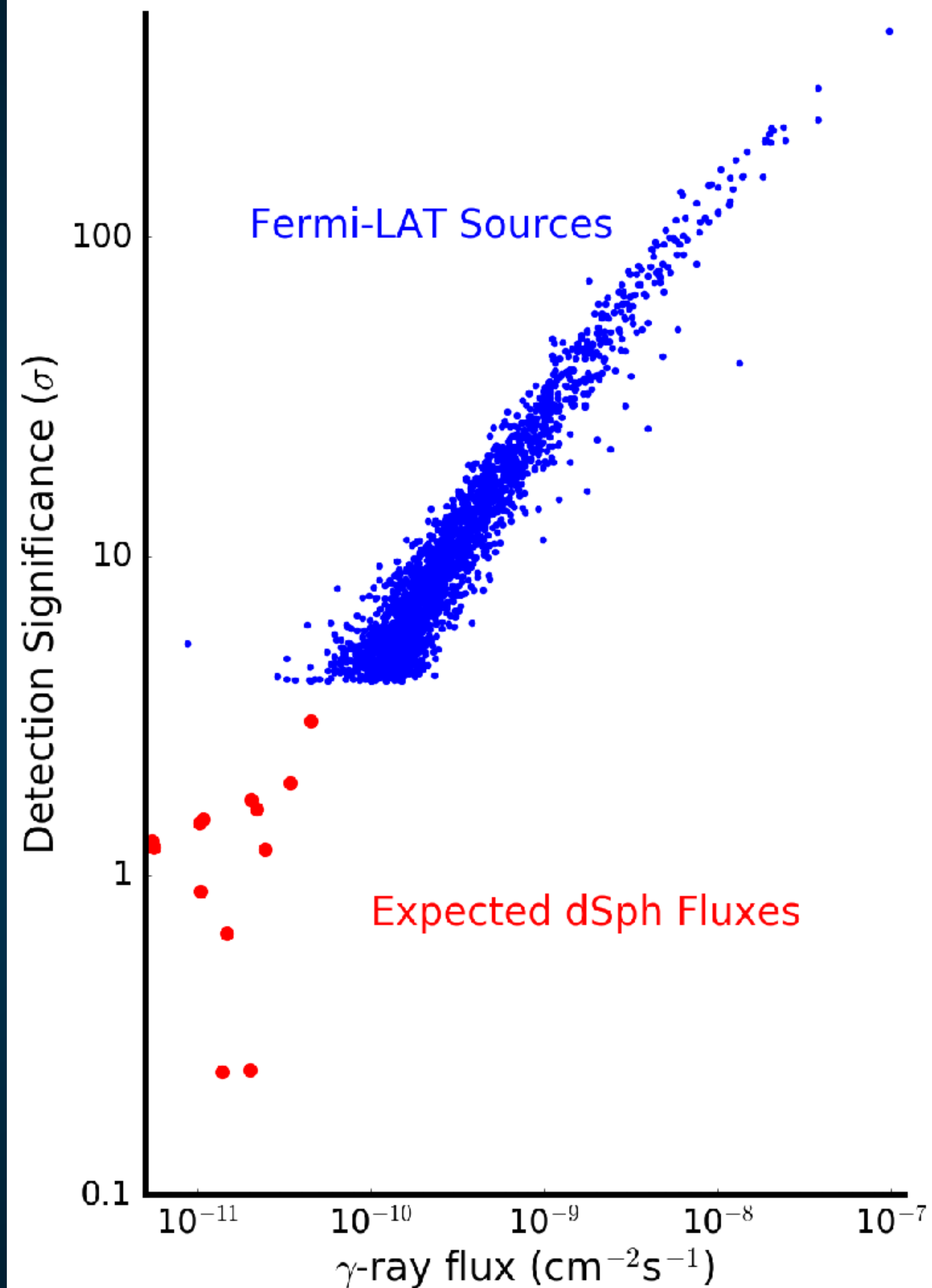
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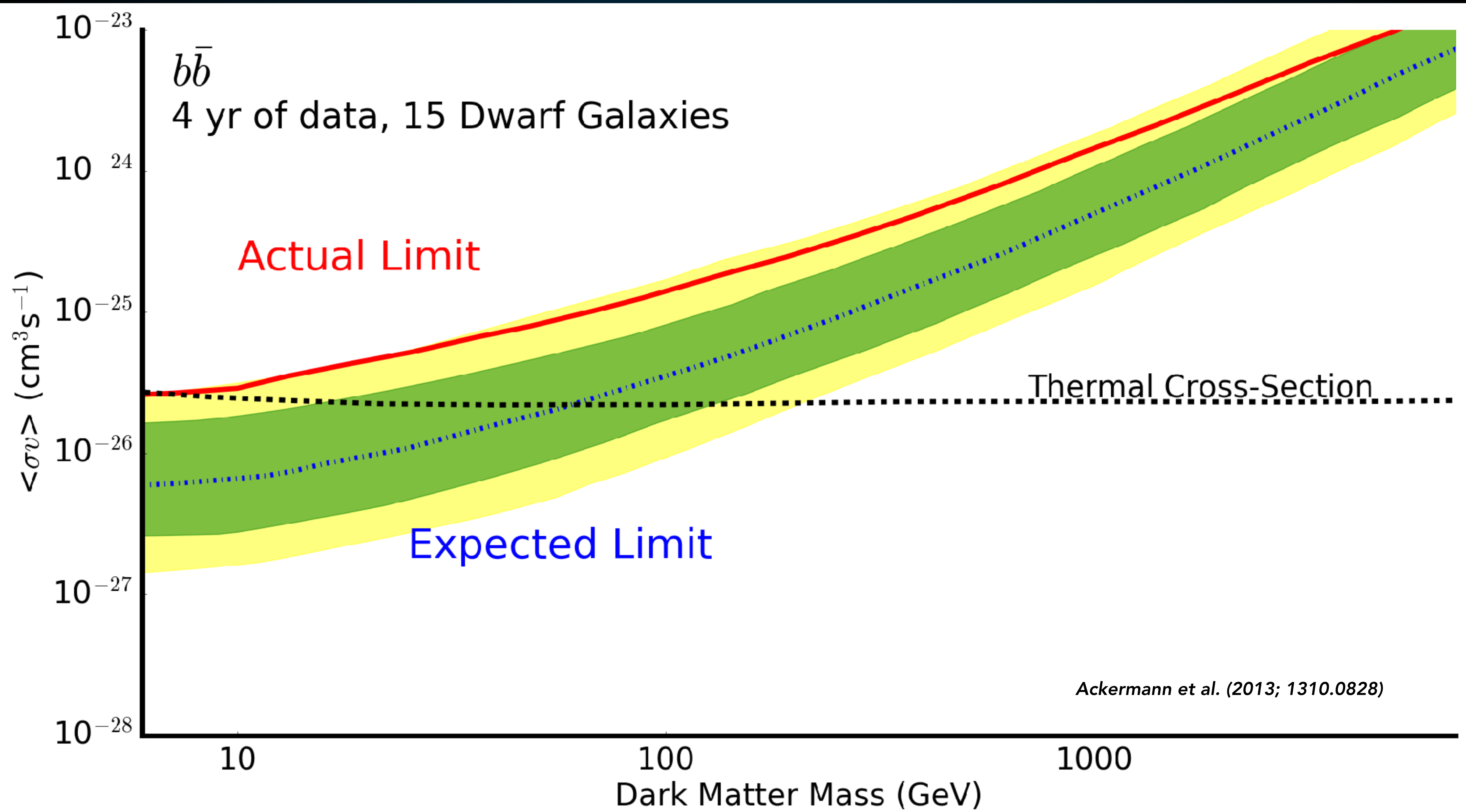


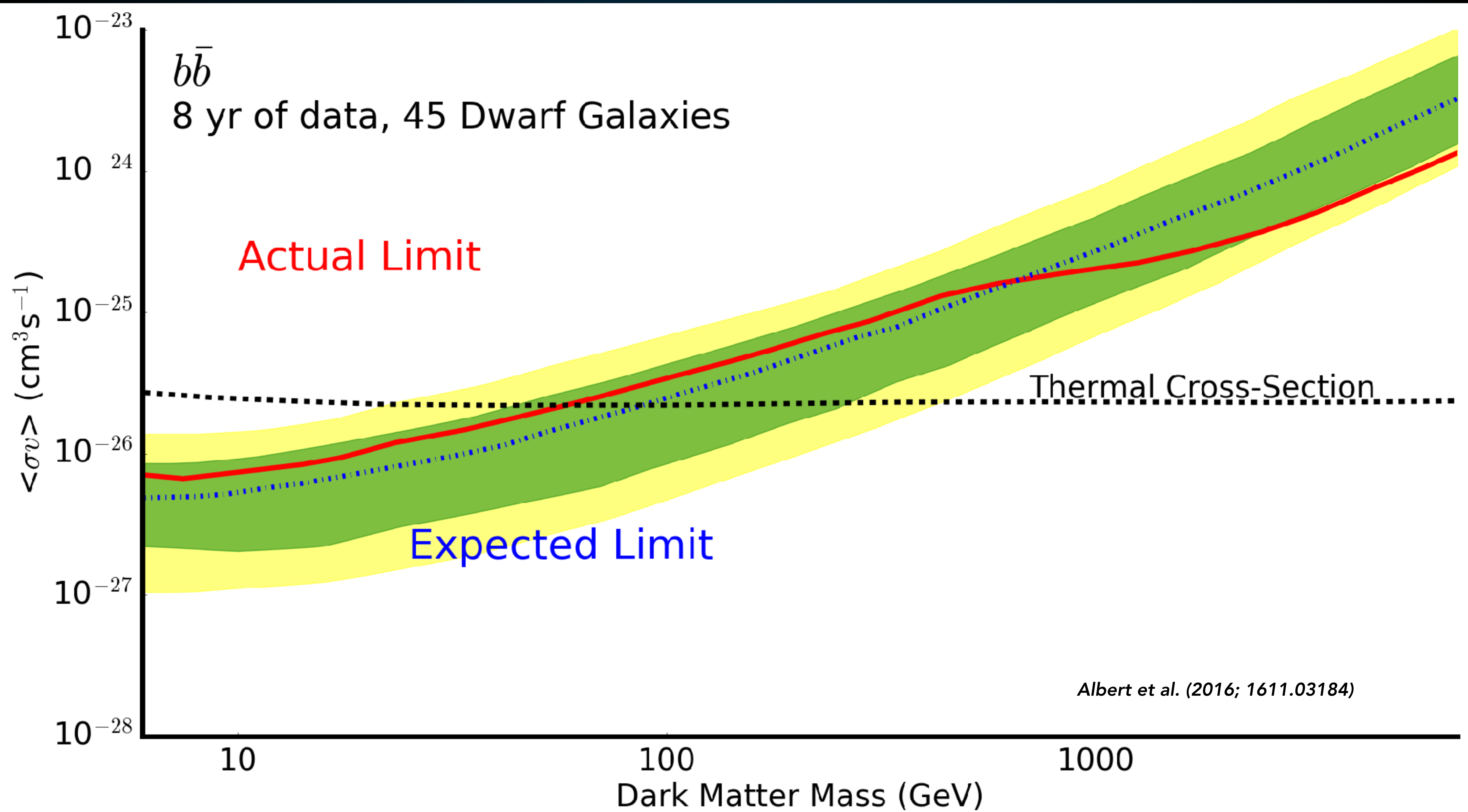
No Astrophysical Background from Dwarfs!

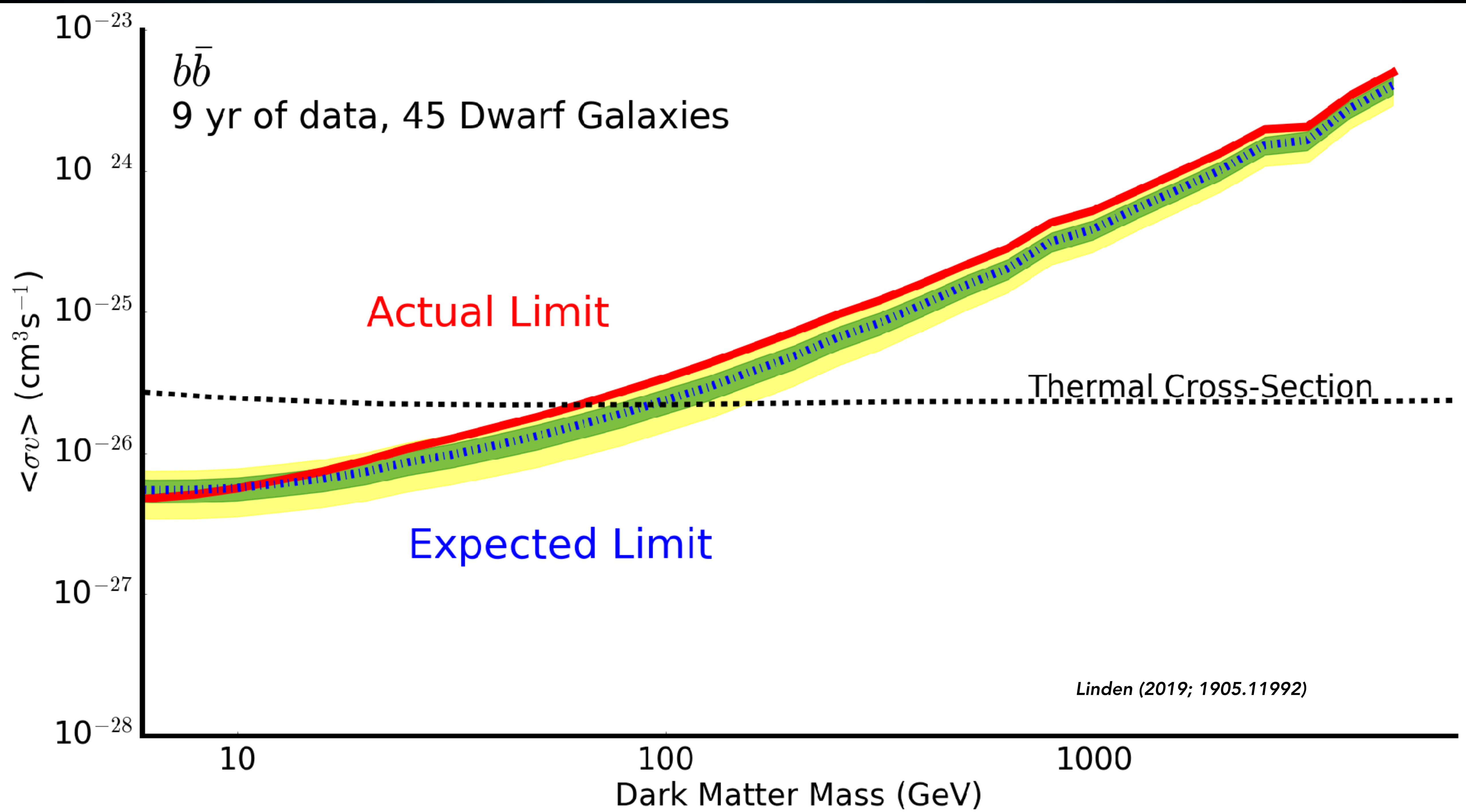
Individual dwarfs are dim

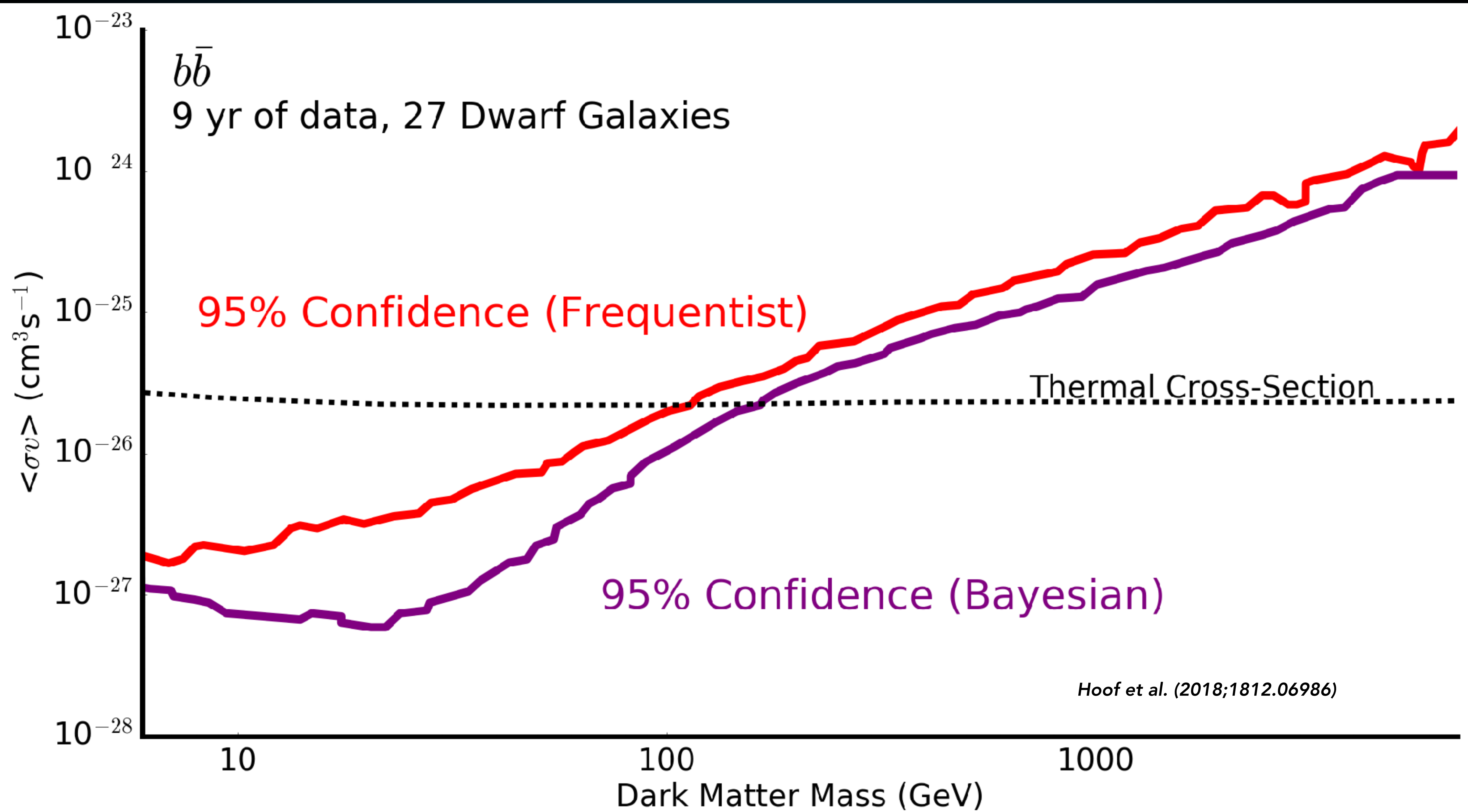
Need to combine observations of multiple dwarfs to constrain thermal cross-section



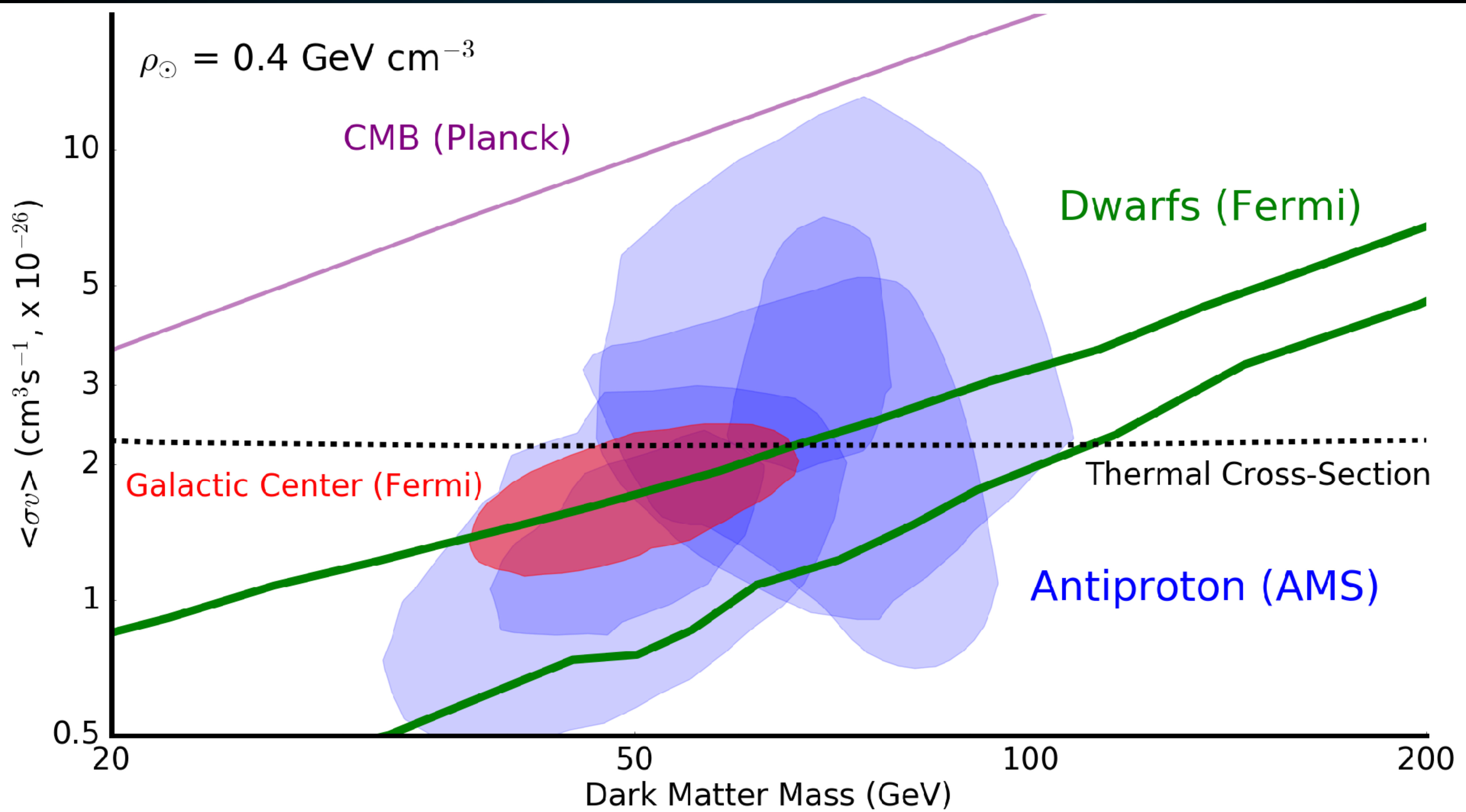




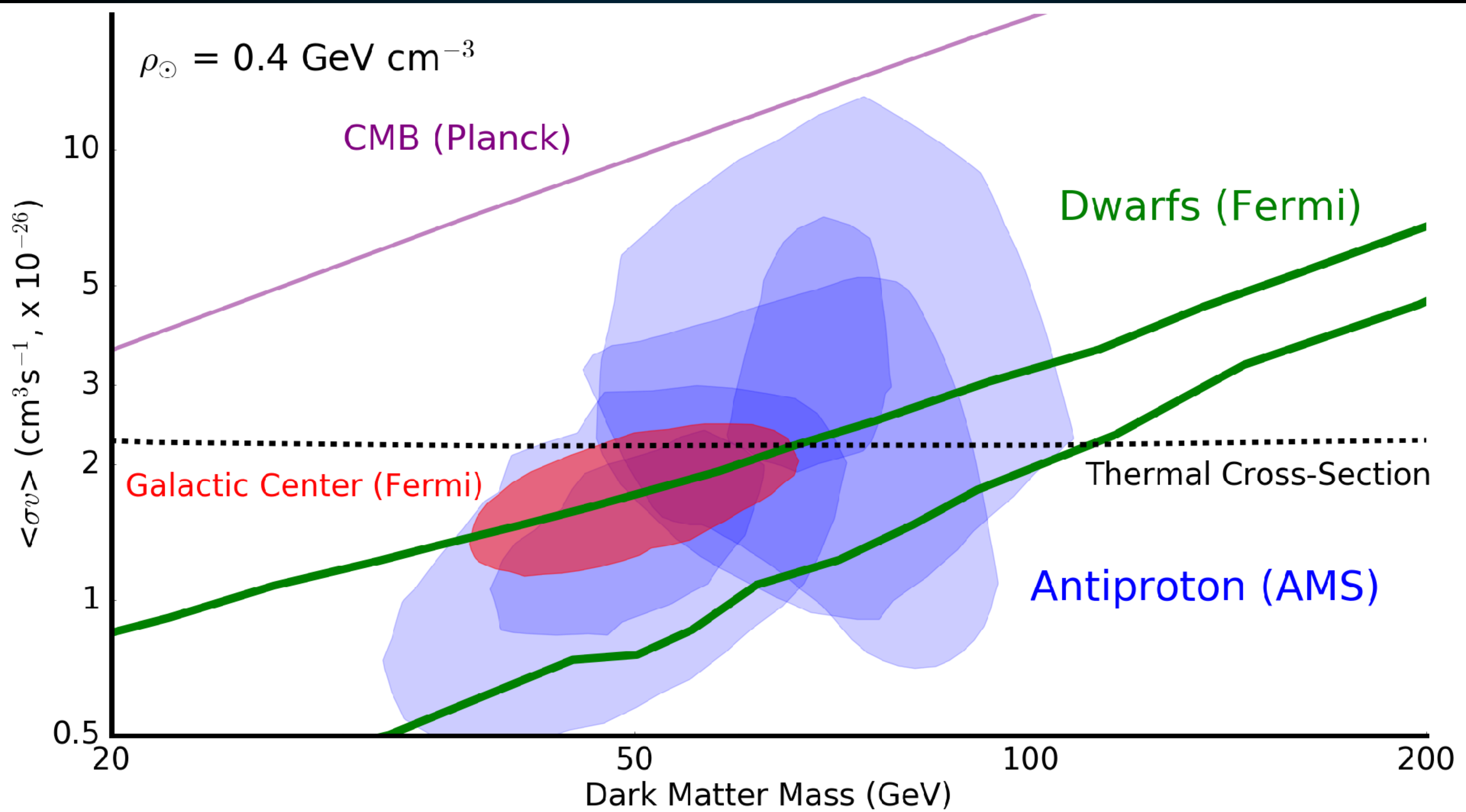


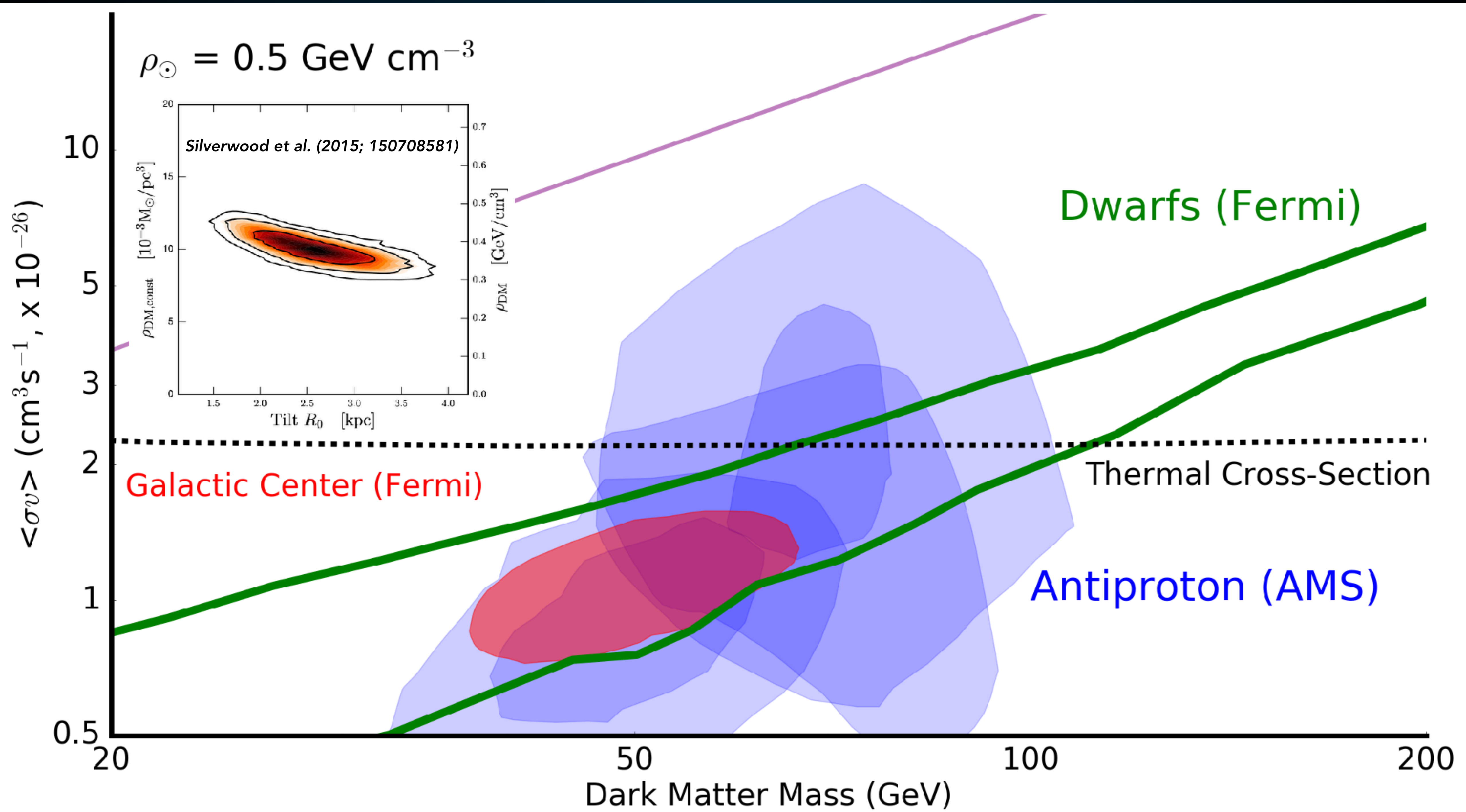


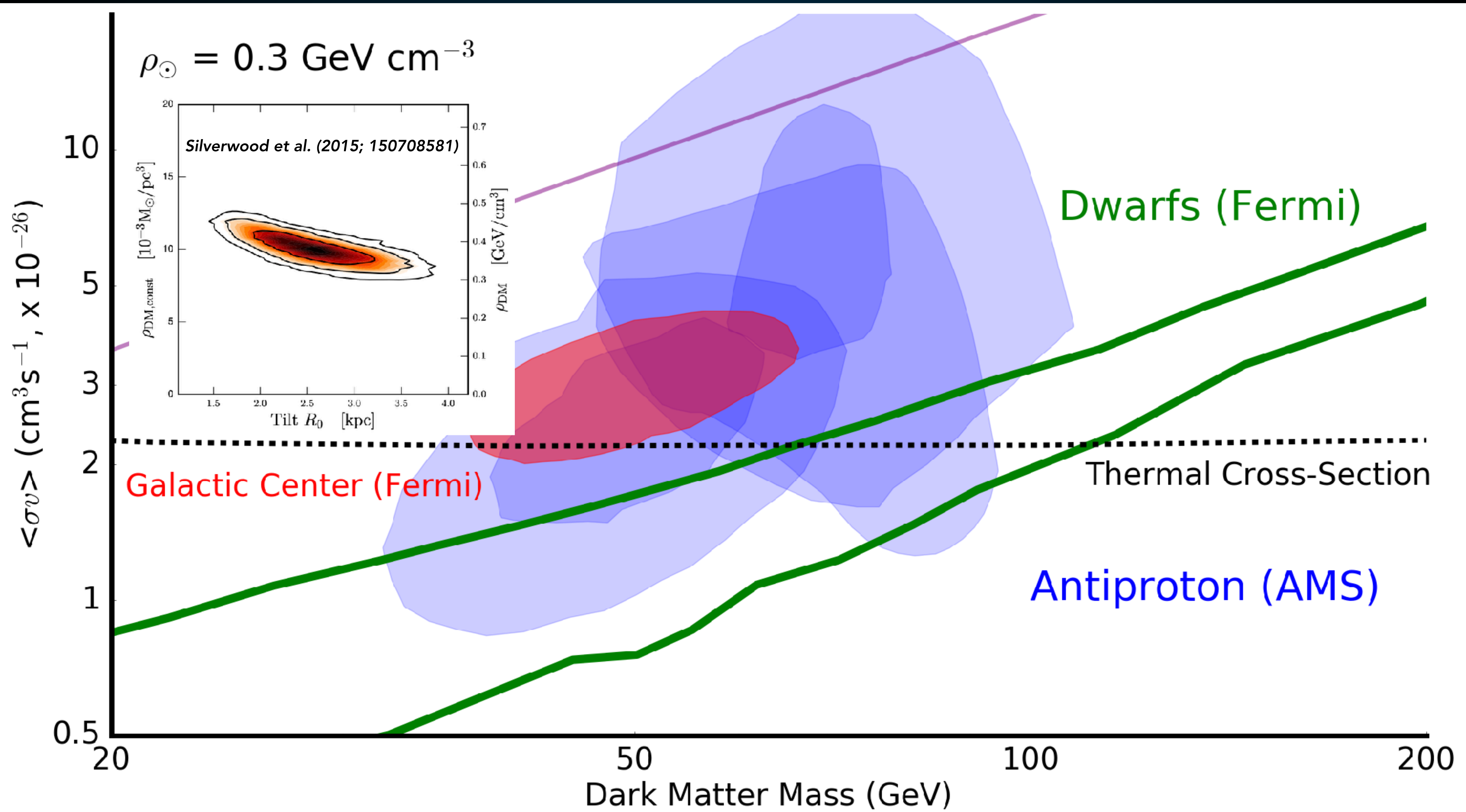
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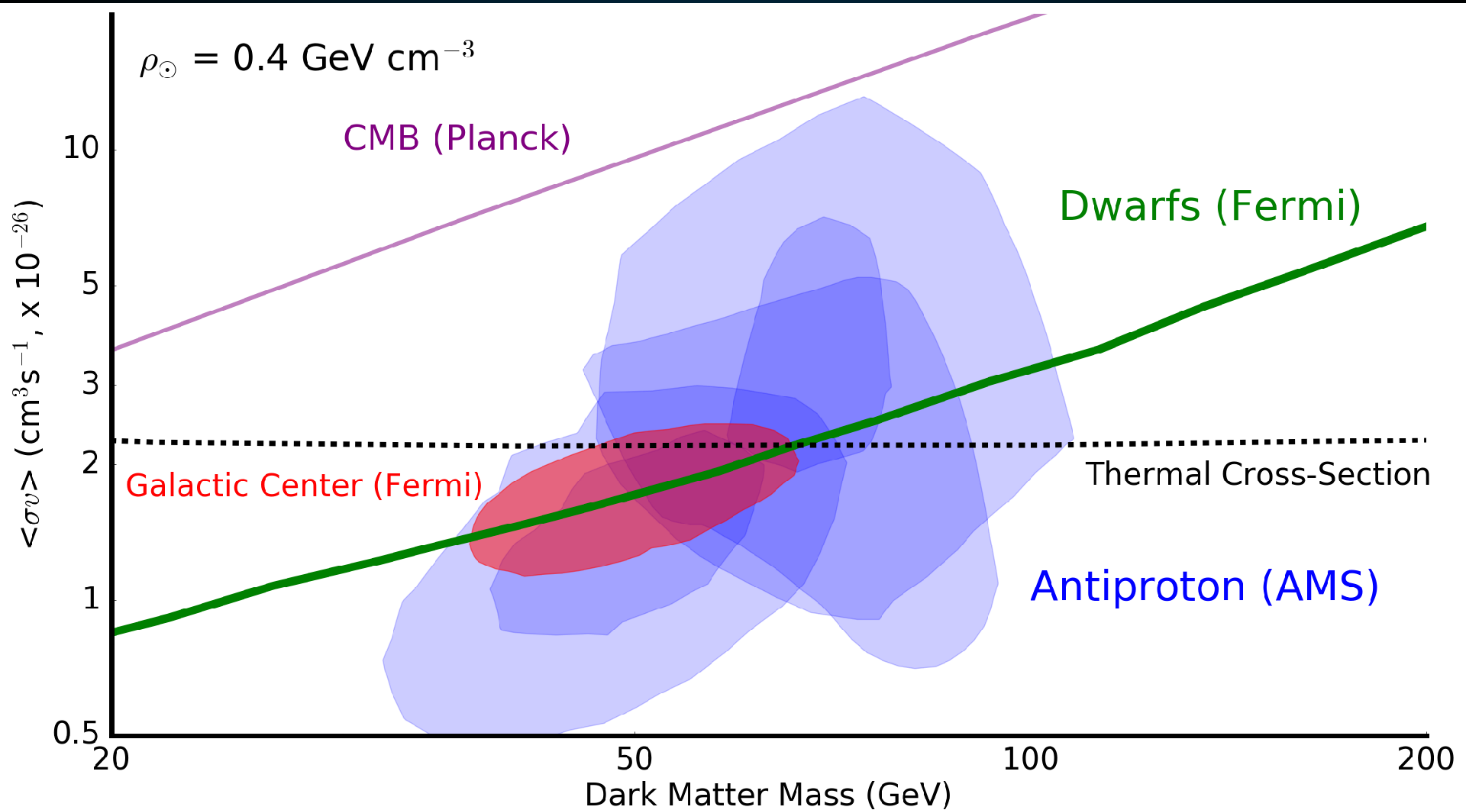


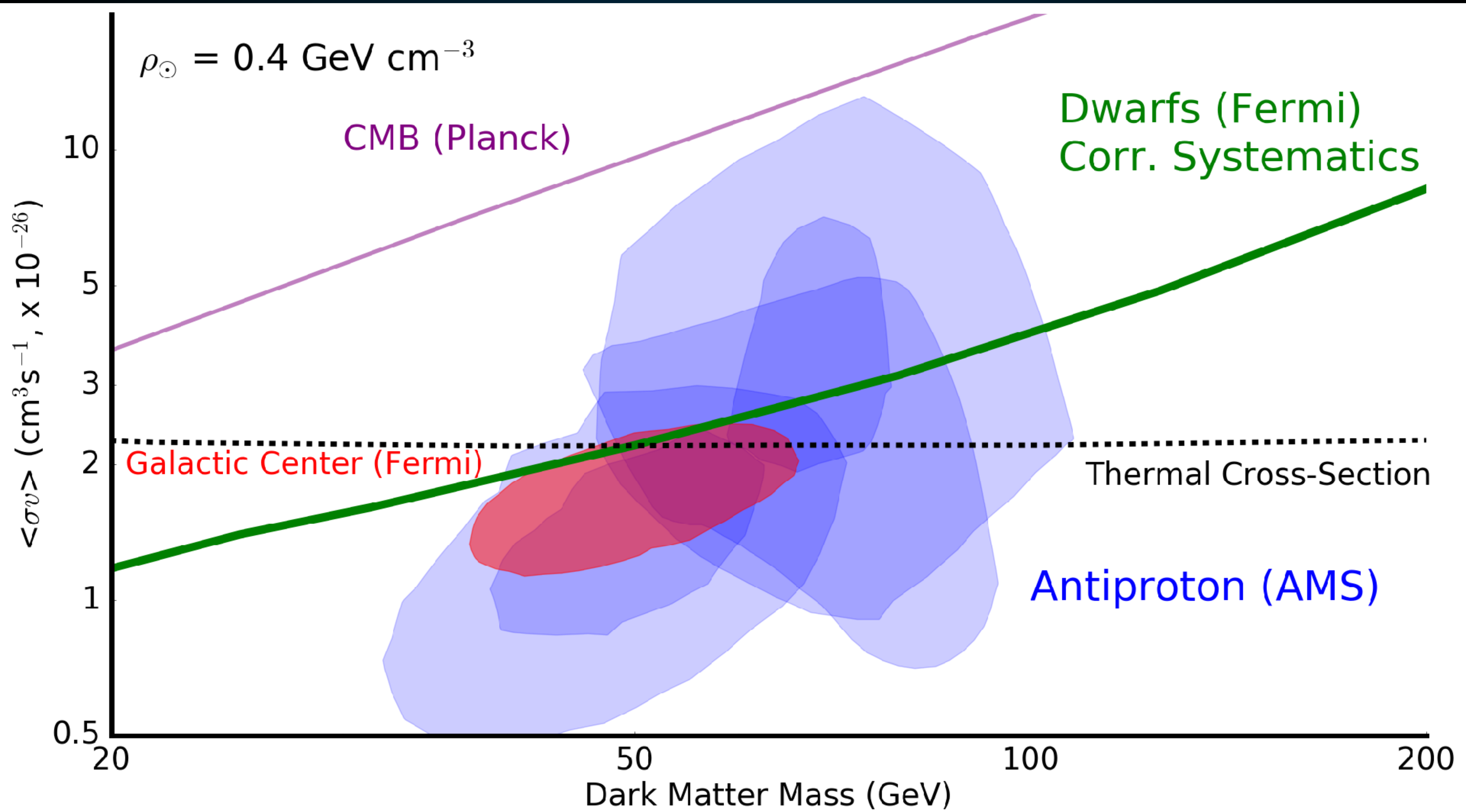


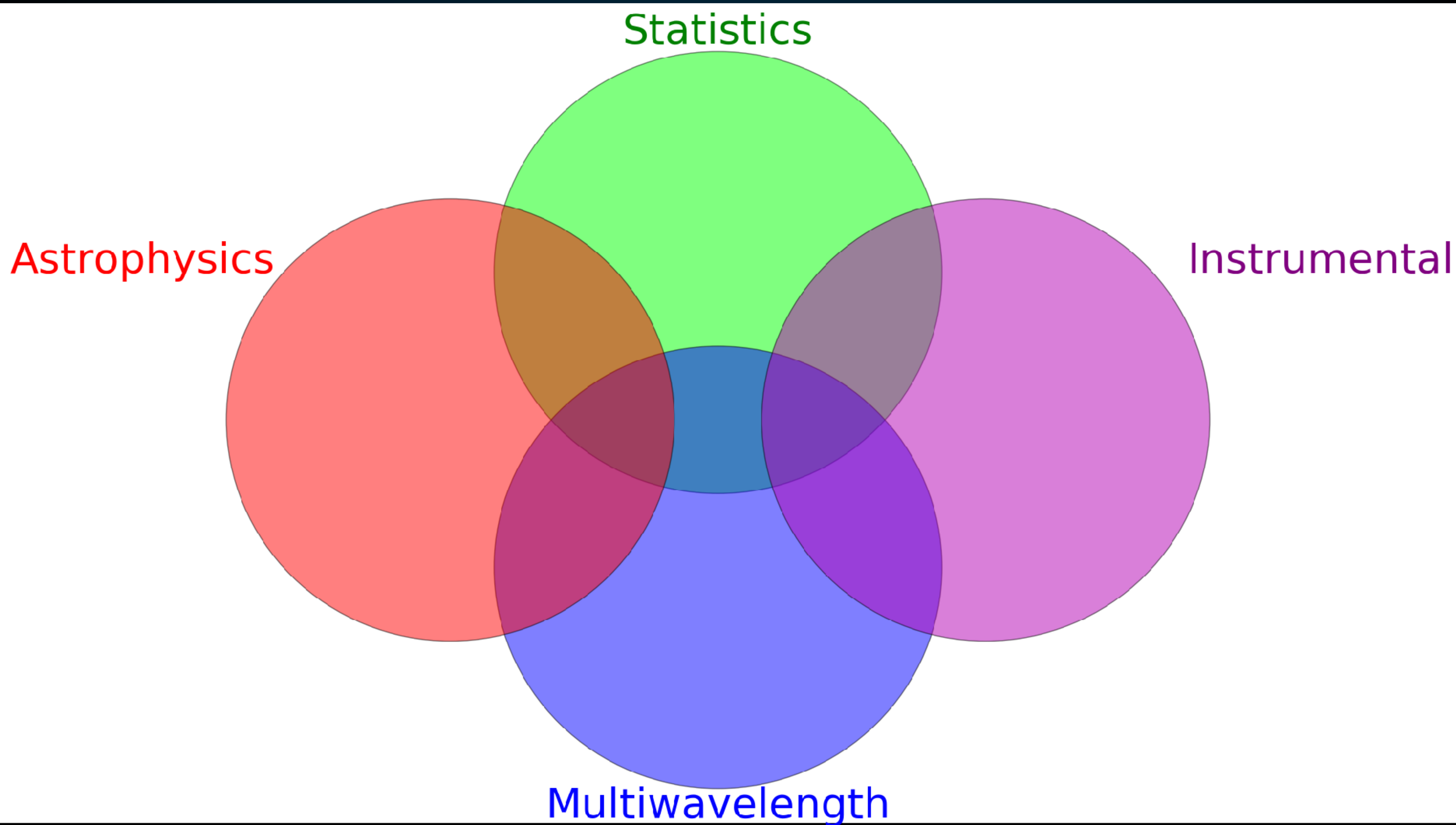




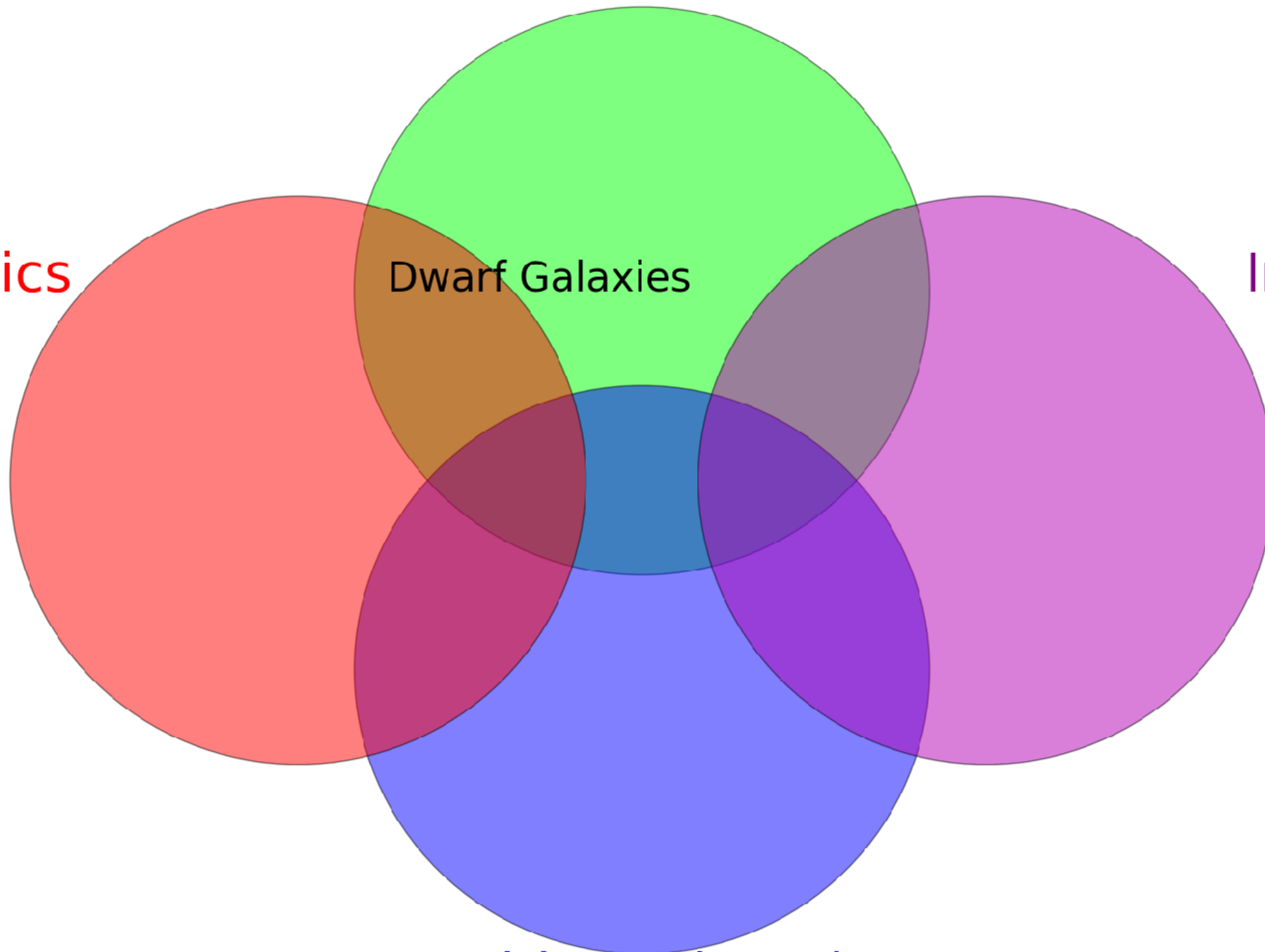








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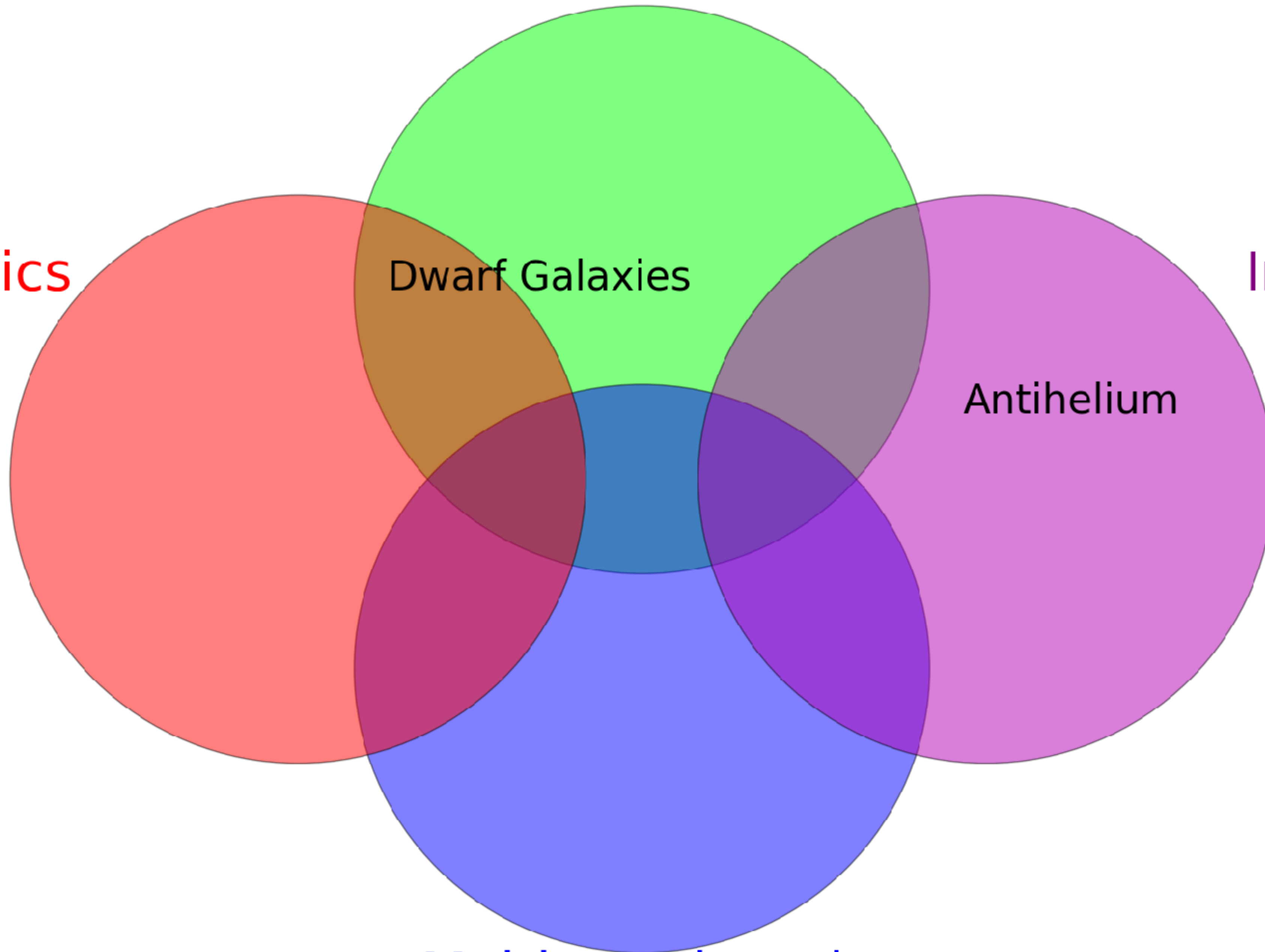


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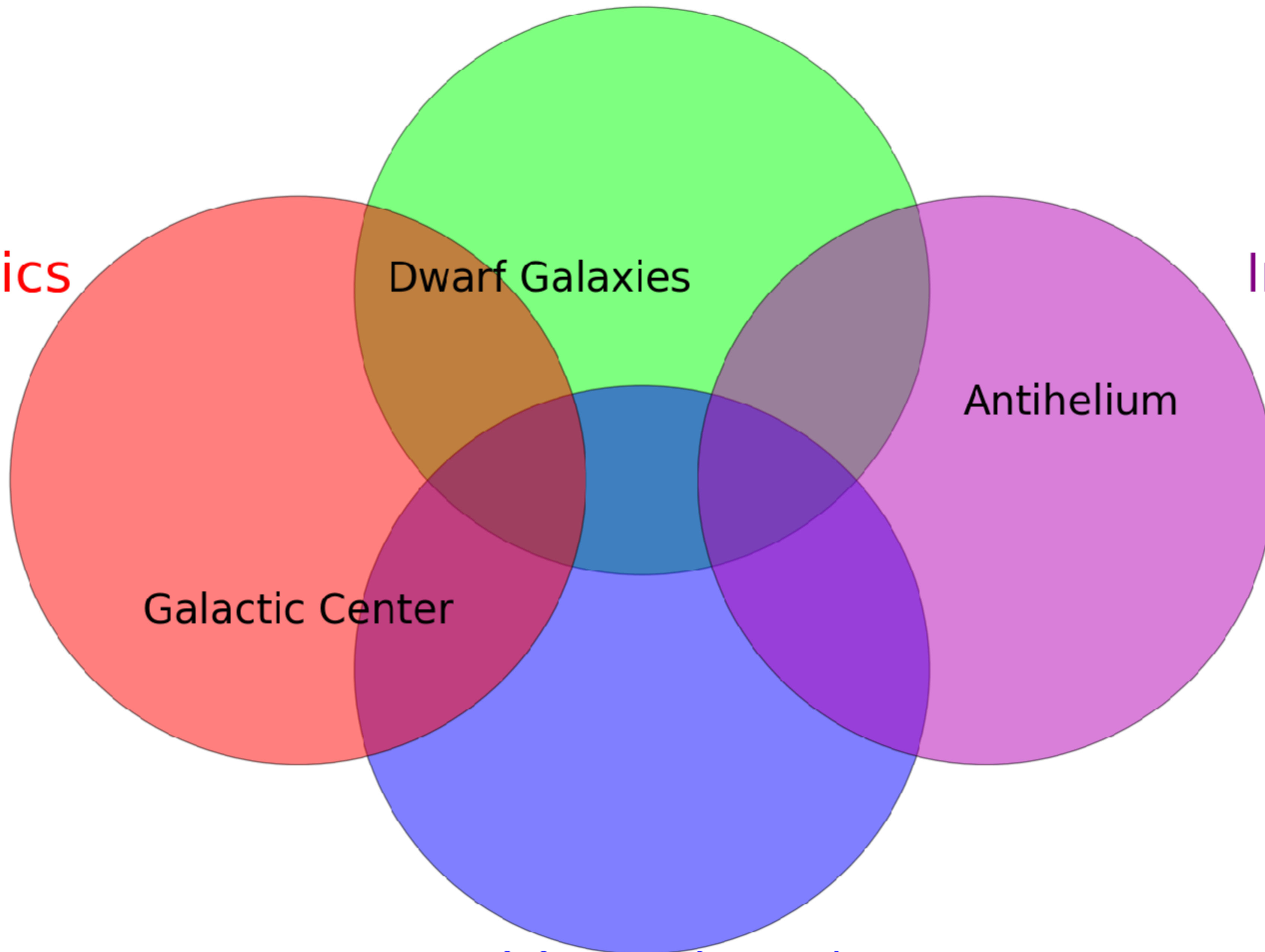
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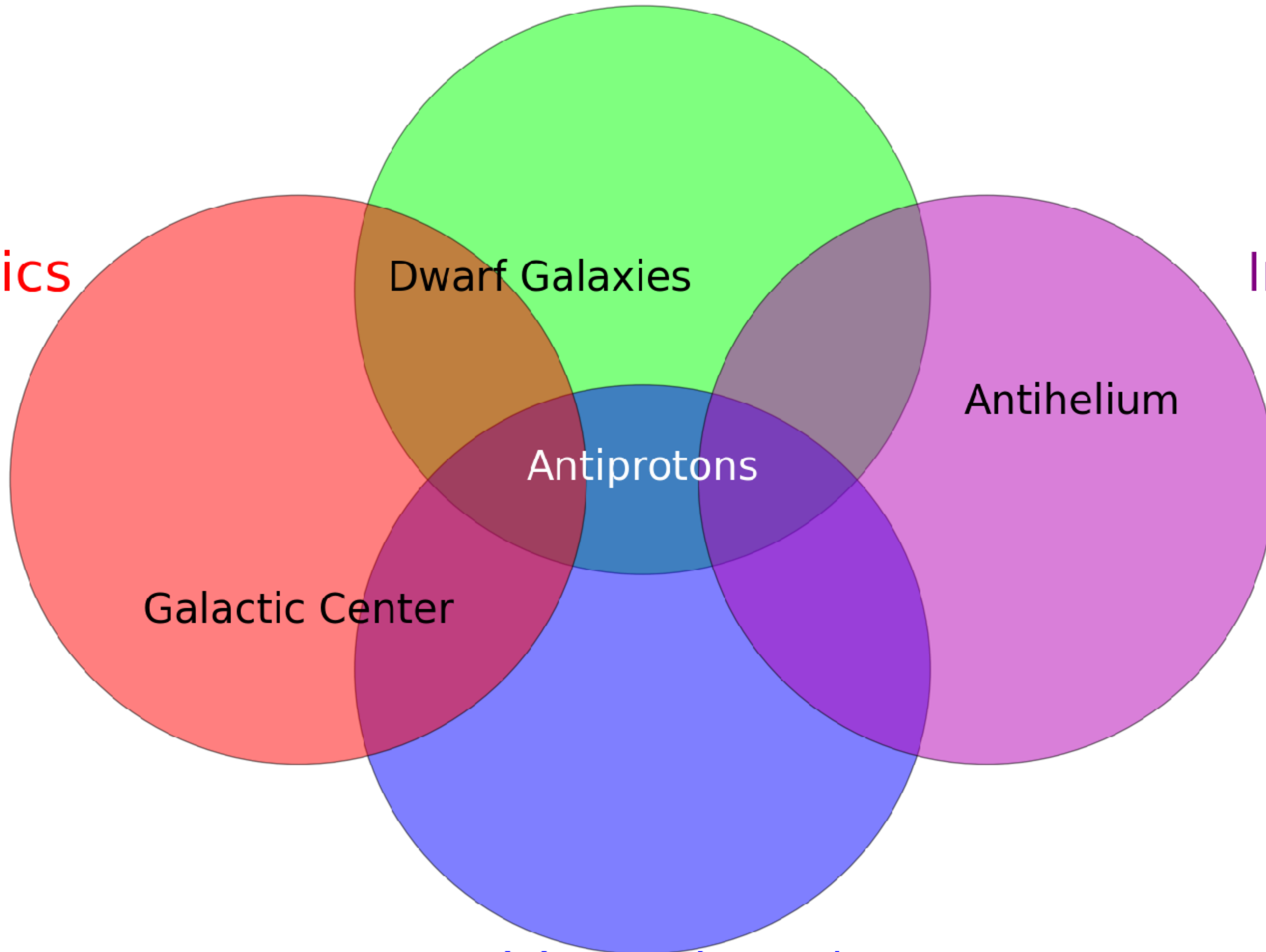
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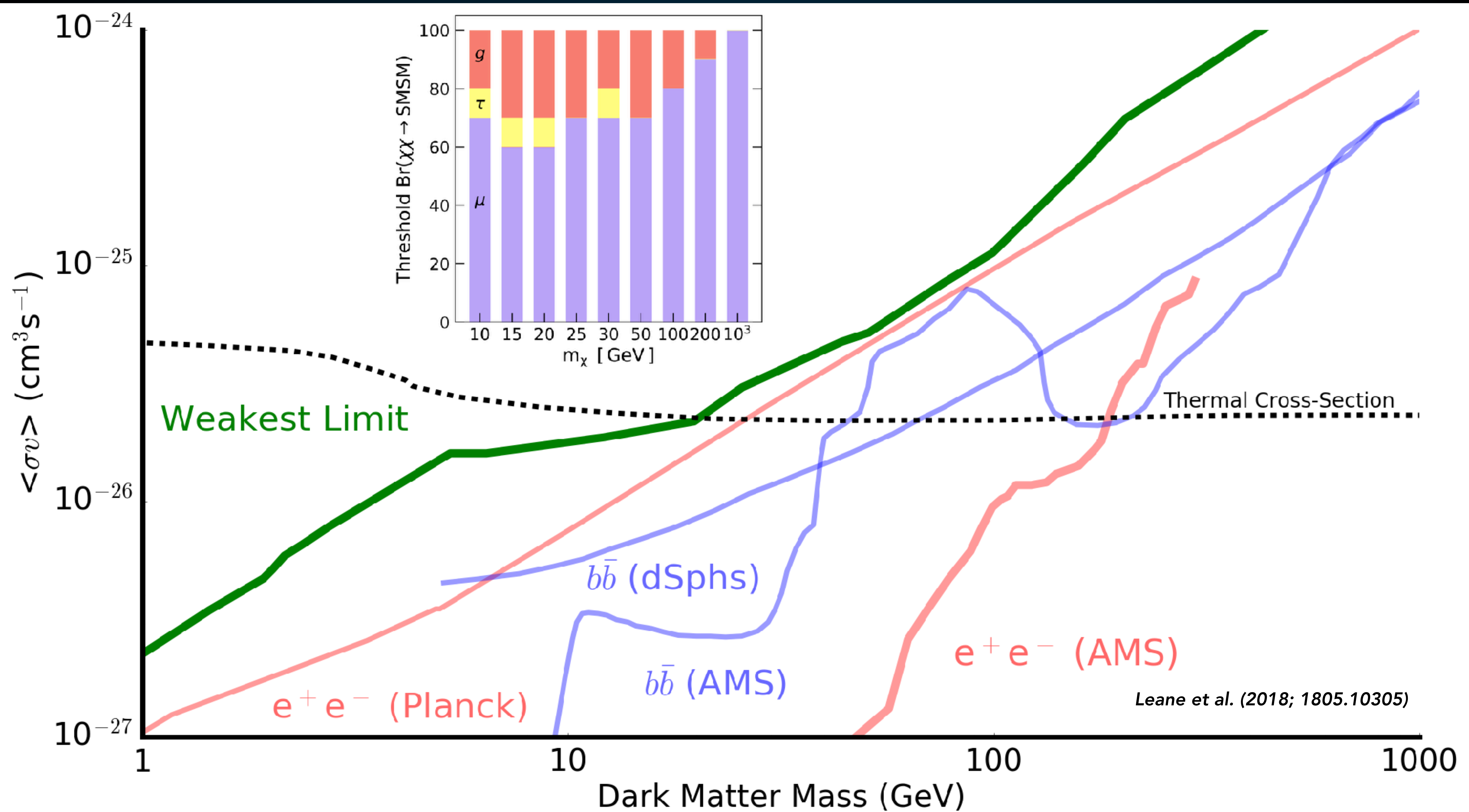
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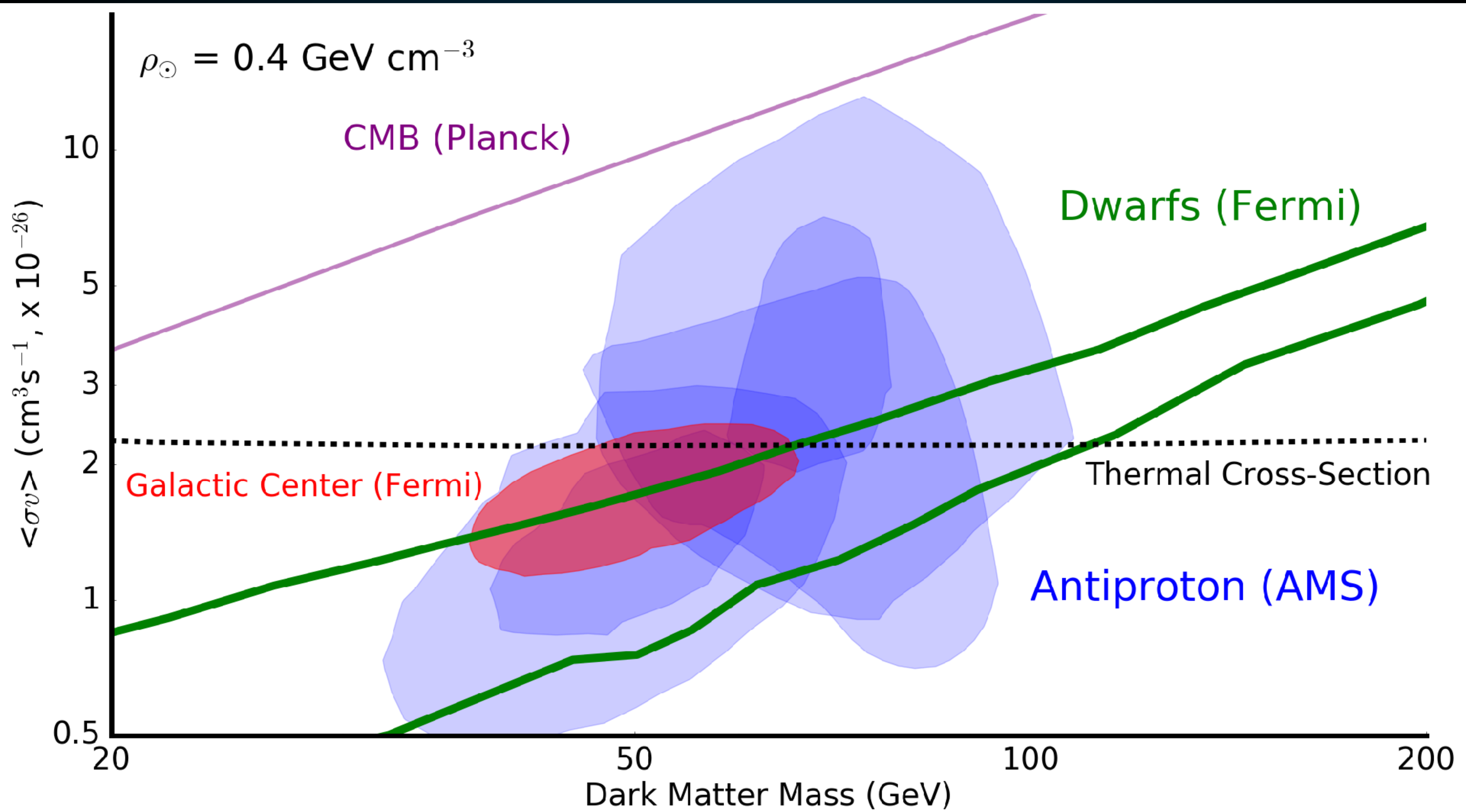
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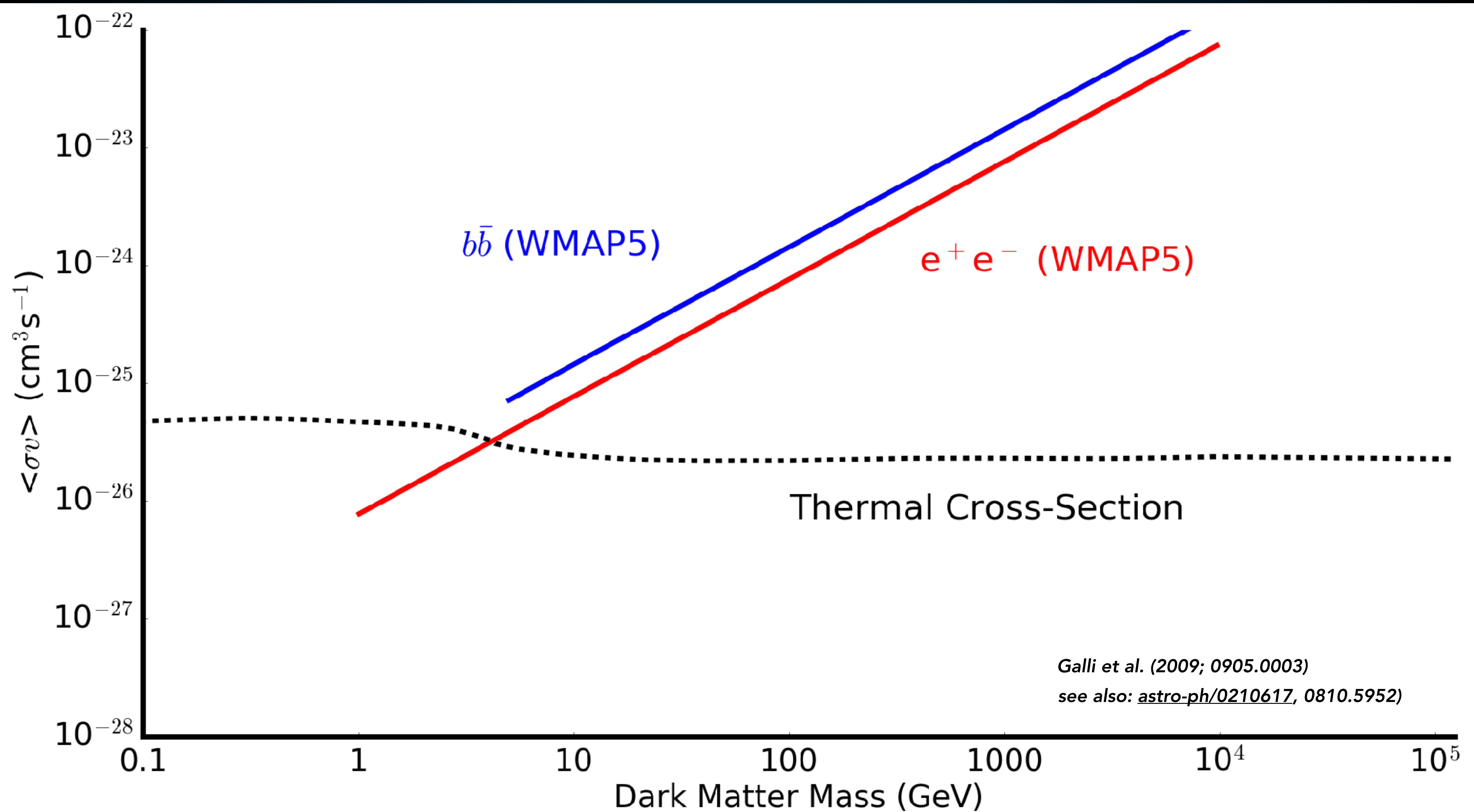
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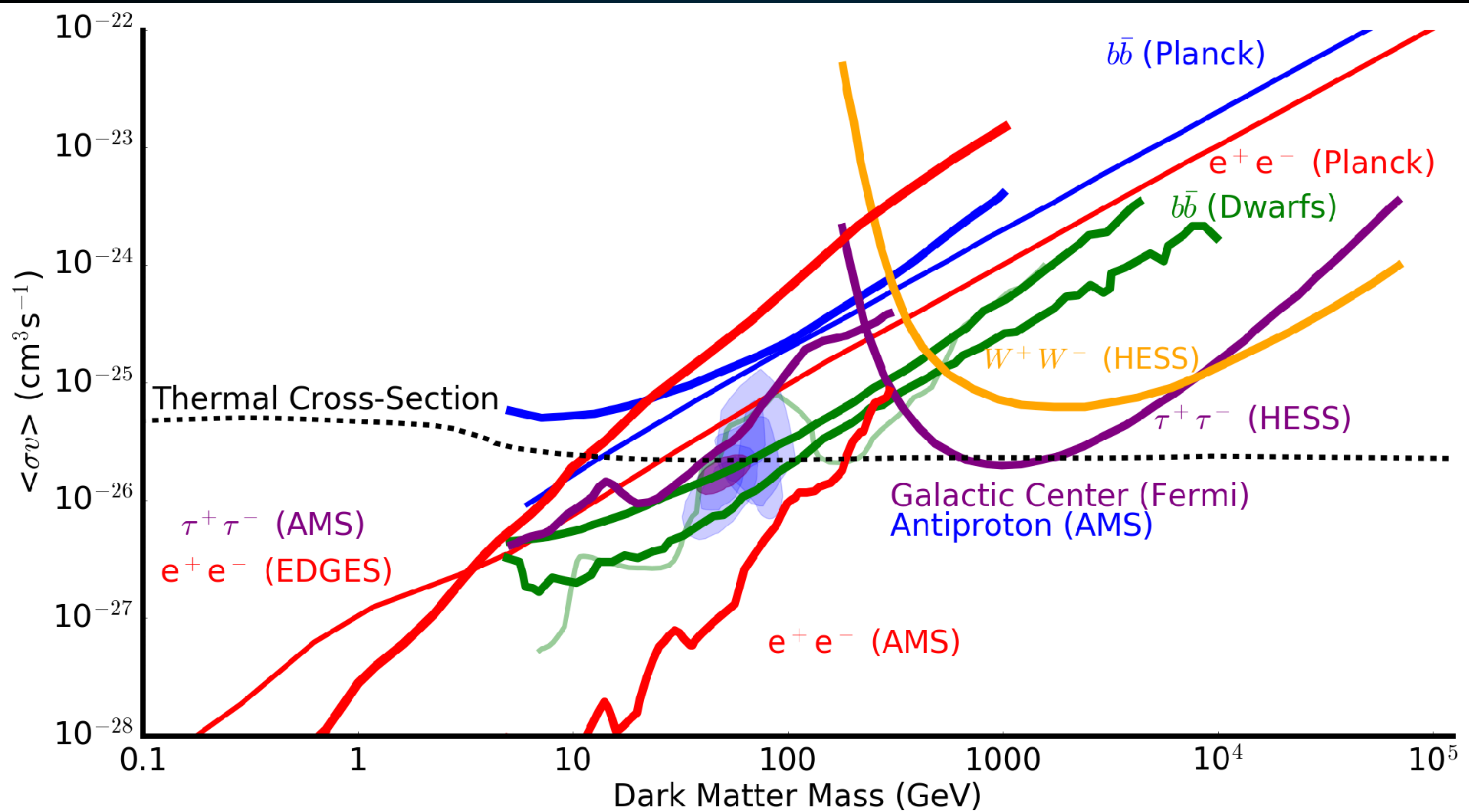
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