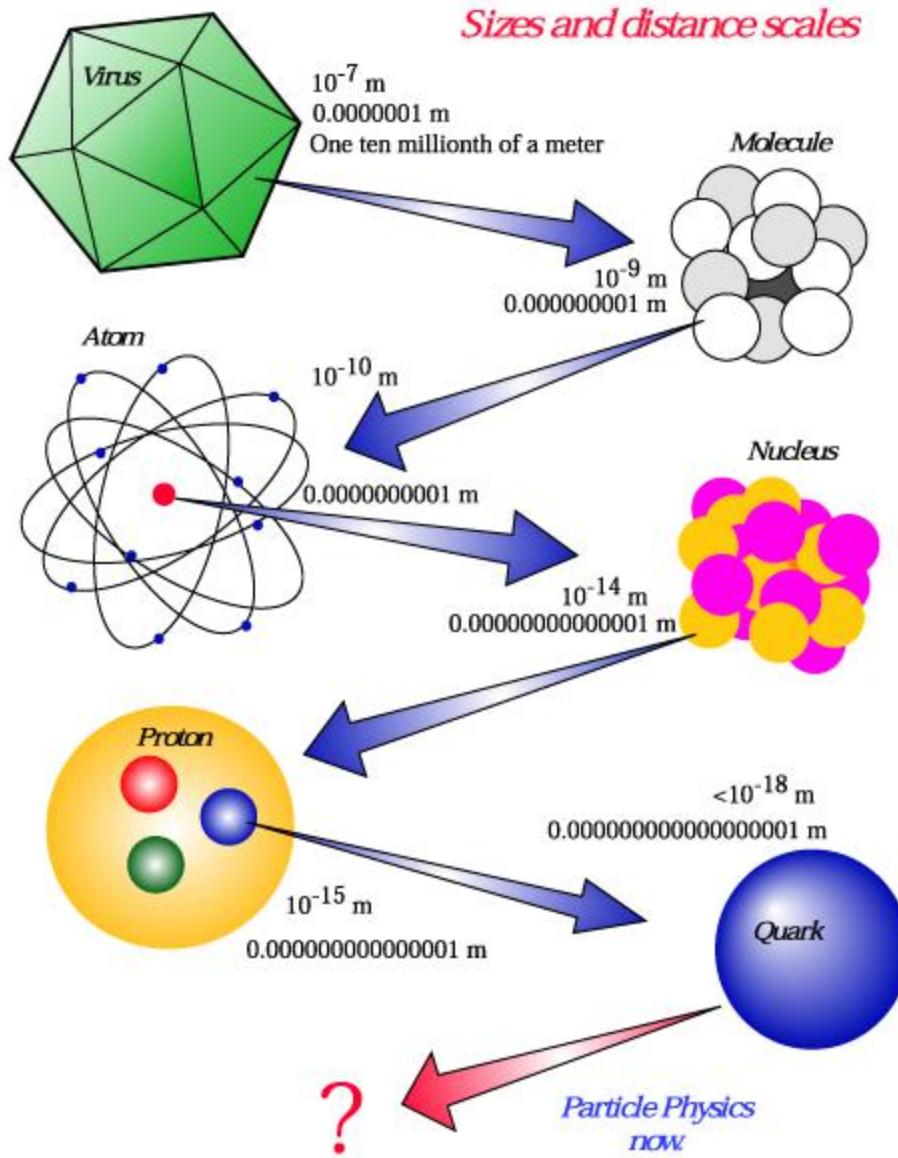


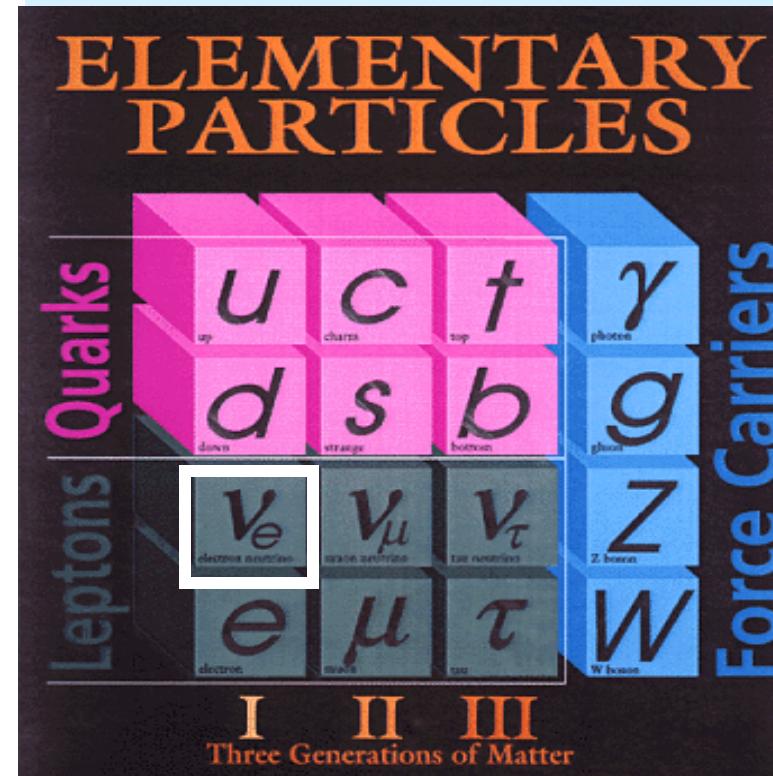
*Studies of the Universe
In an
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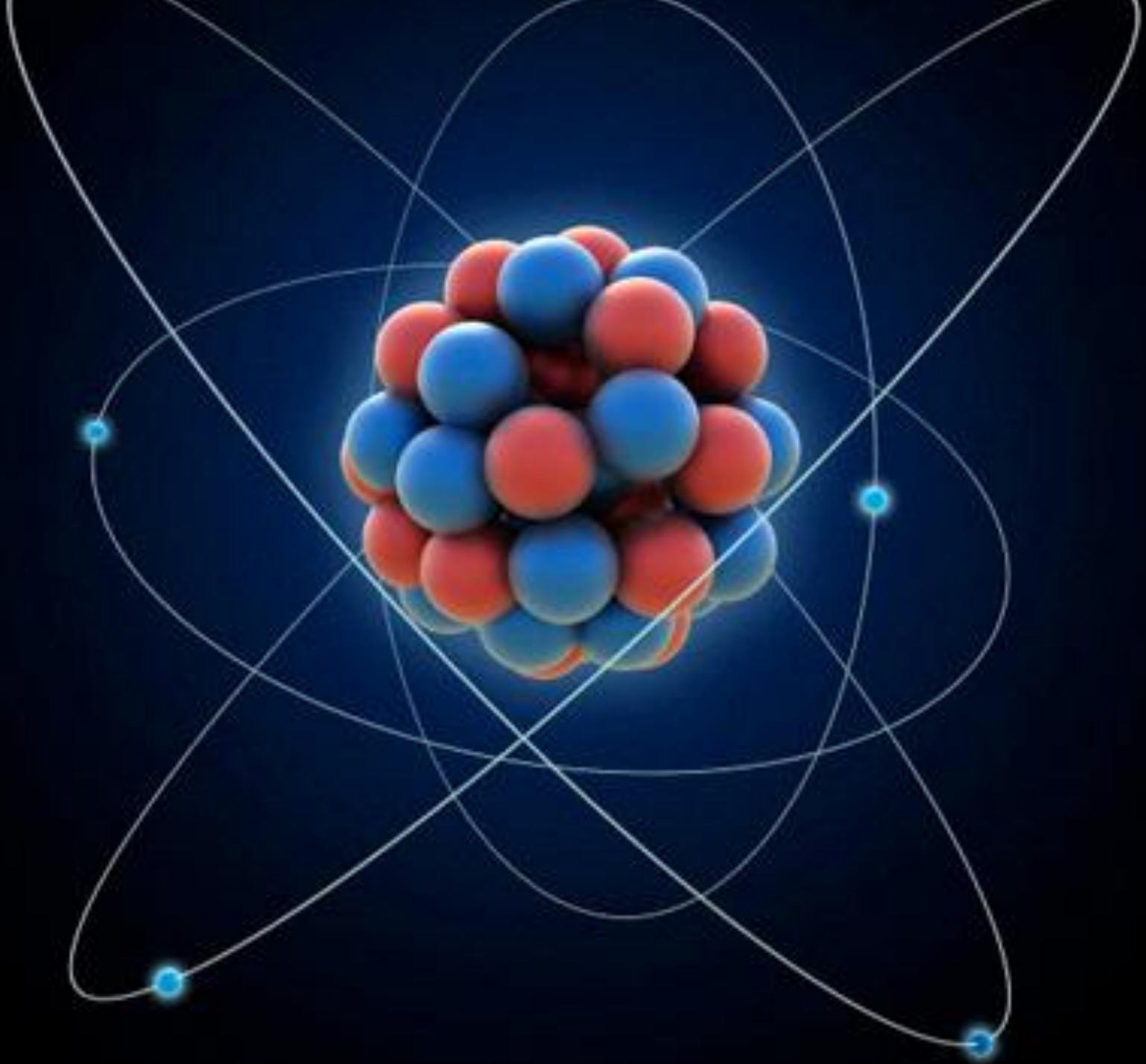
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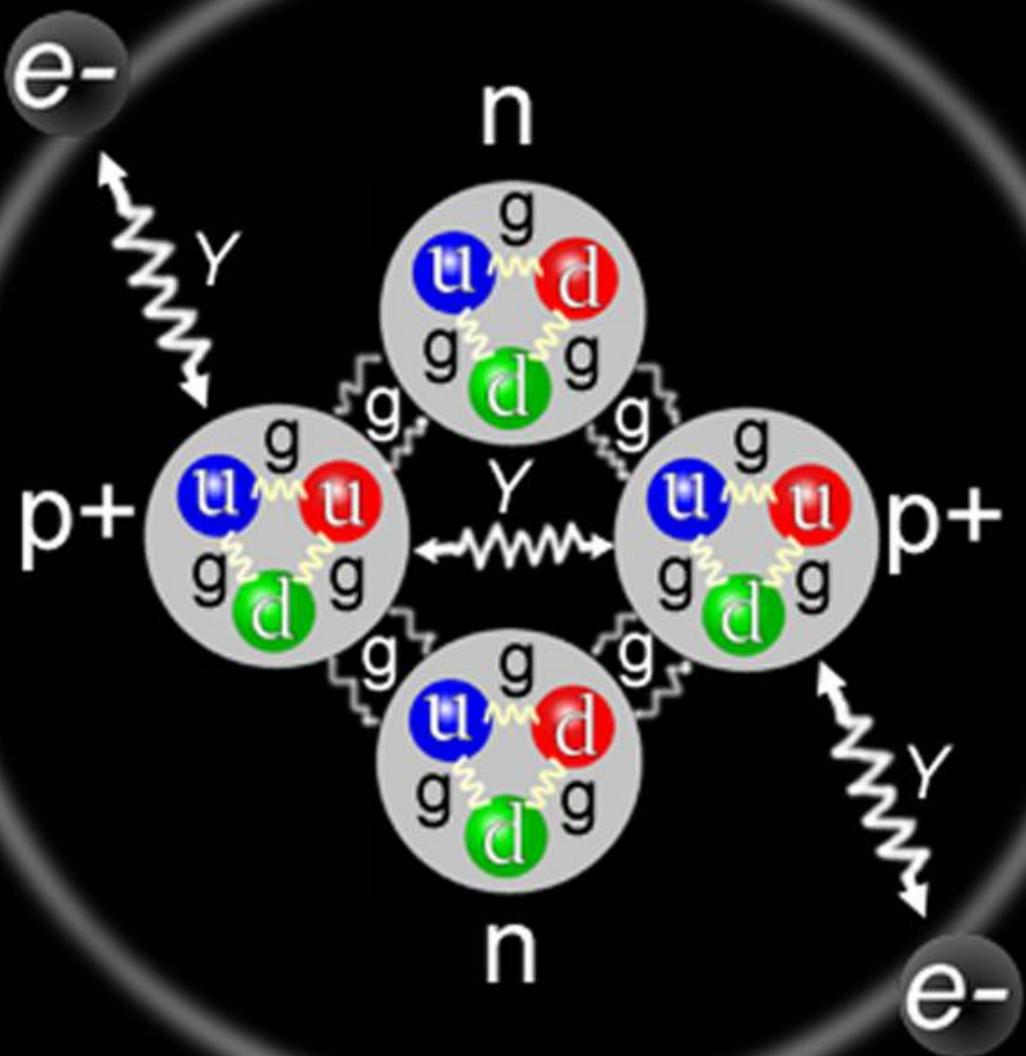


In the Standard Model
there are
the neutrinos!

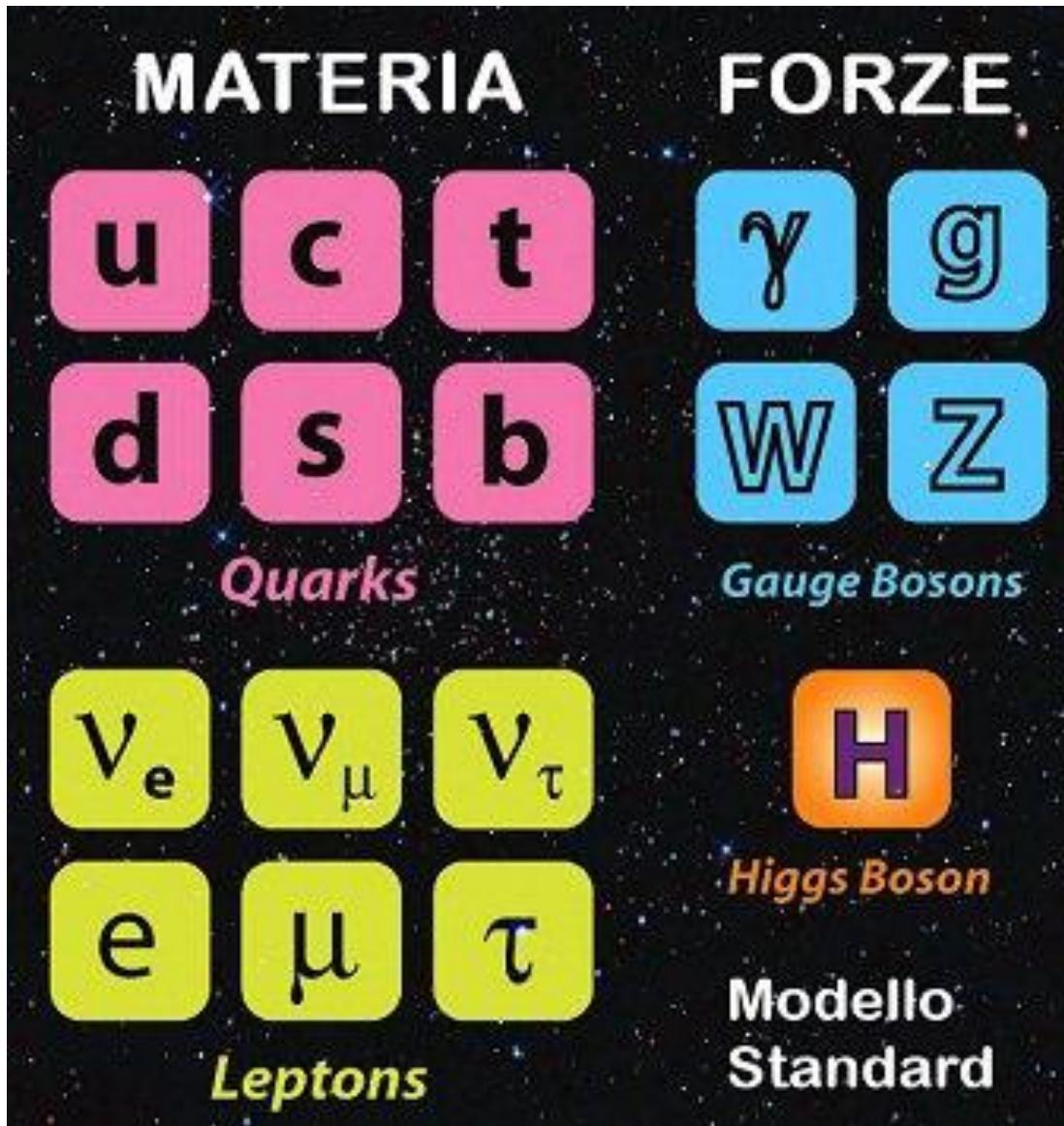
$\sim 10^9 \nu/\text{proton}!!$



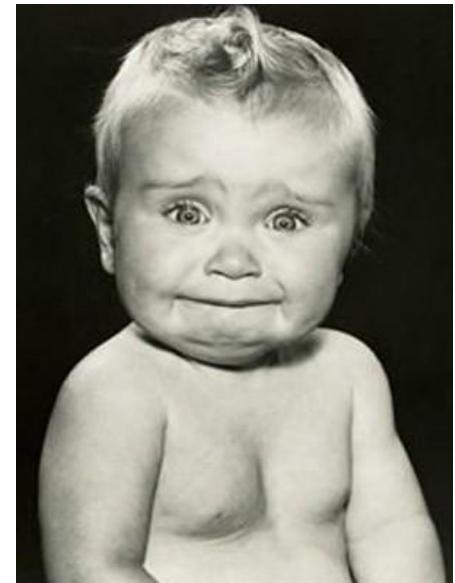




Modello standard della fisica delle particelle

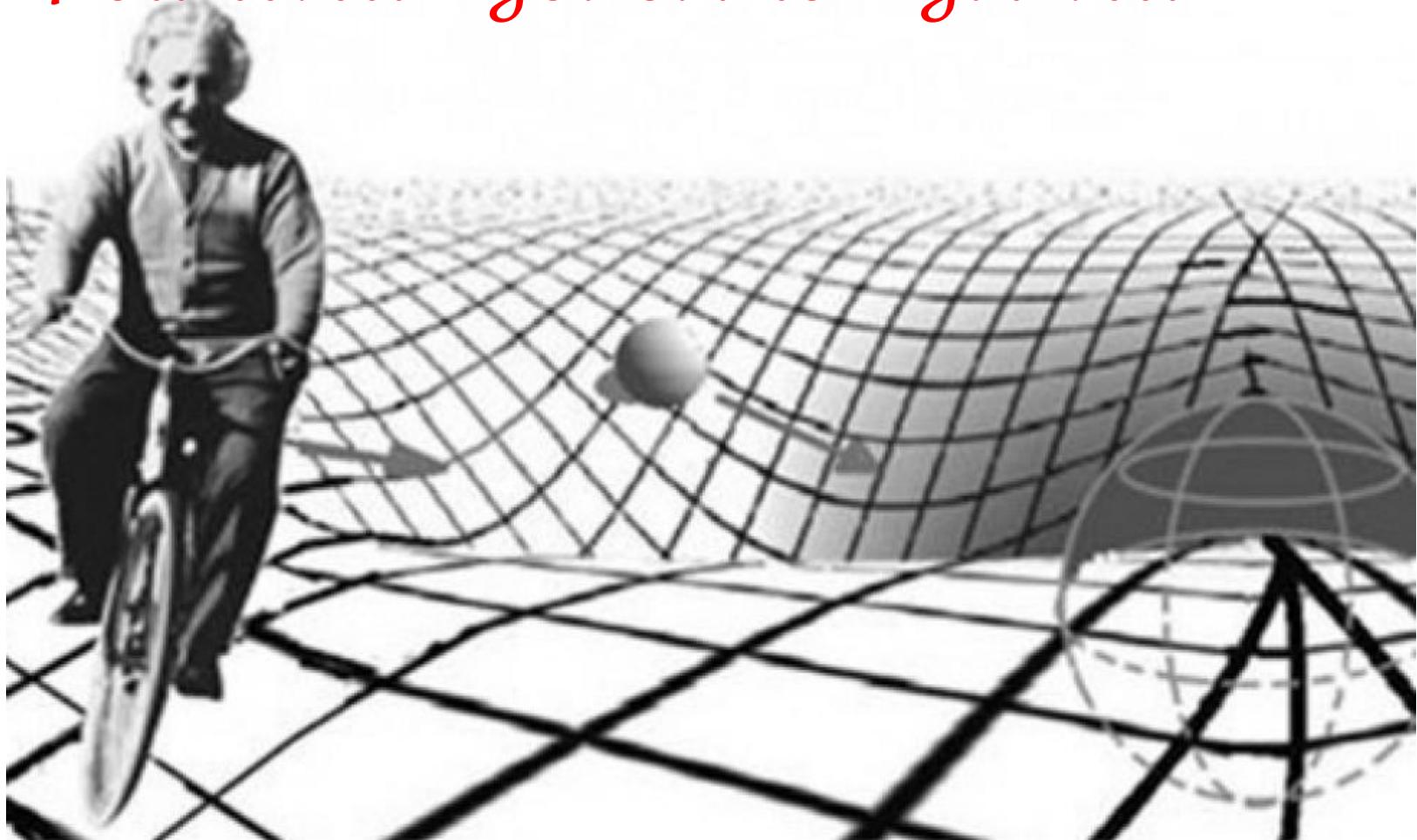


NON include la gravita'!





Relativita' generale - gravita'



Einstein's Equation (GR)

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}T_{\mu\nu}$$

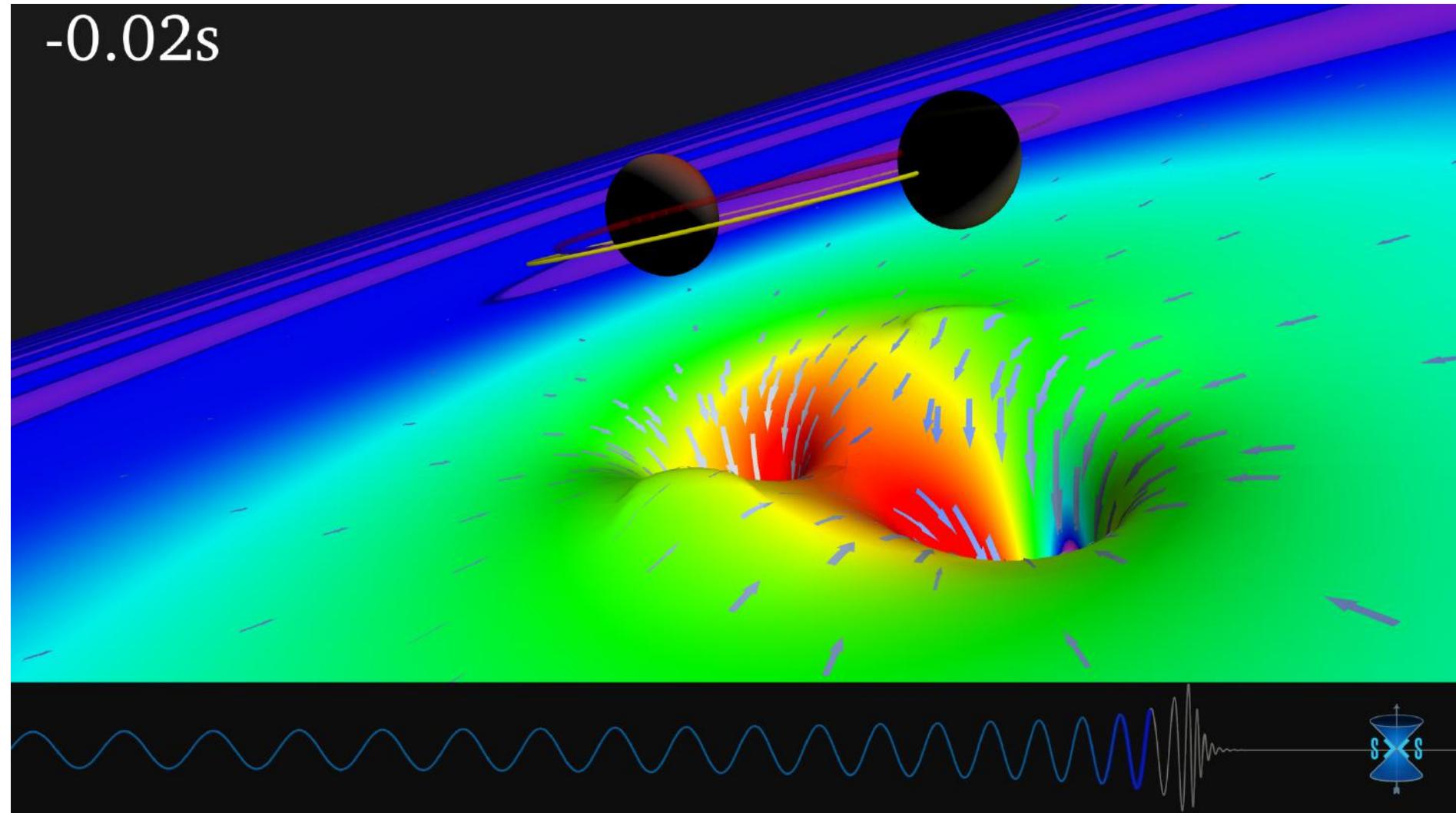
Geometry
Space-time

=

Mass-energy
distribution

Spacetime tells matter how to move;
matter tells spacetime how to curve

-0.02s



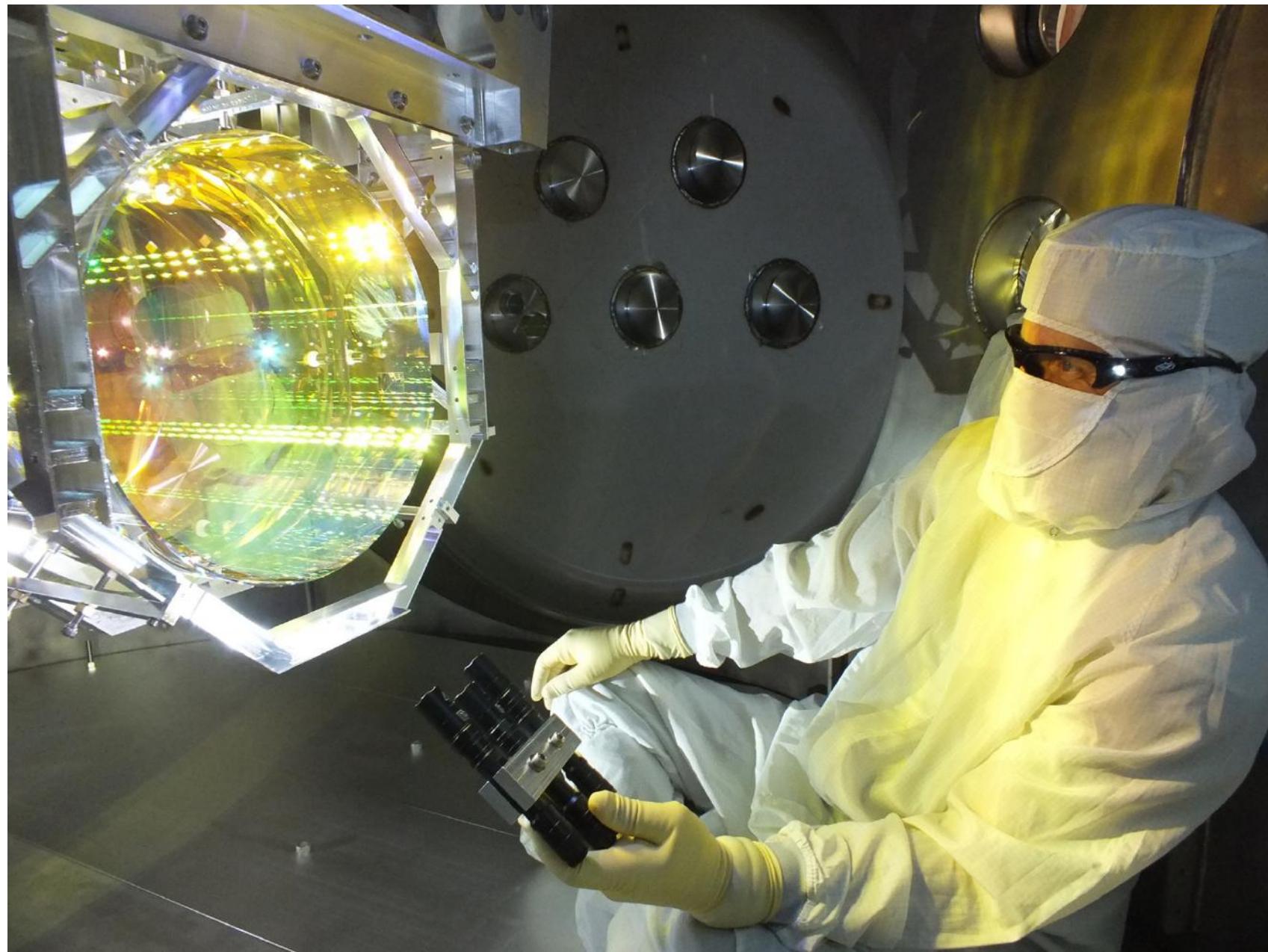
LIGO, NSF, Illustration: A. Simonnet (SSU)

INSPIRAL

RINGDOWN

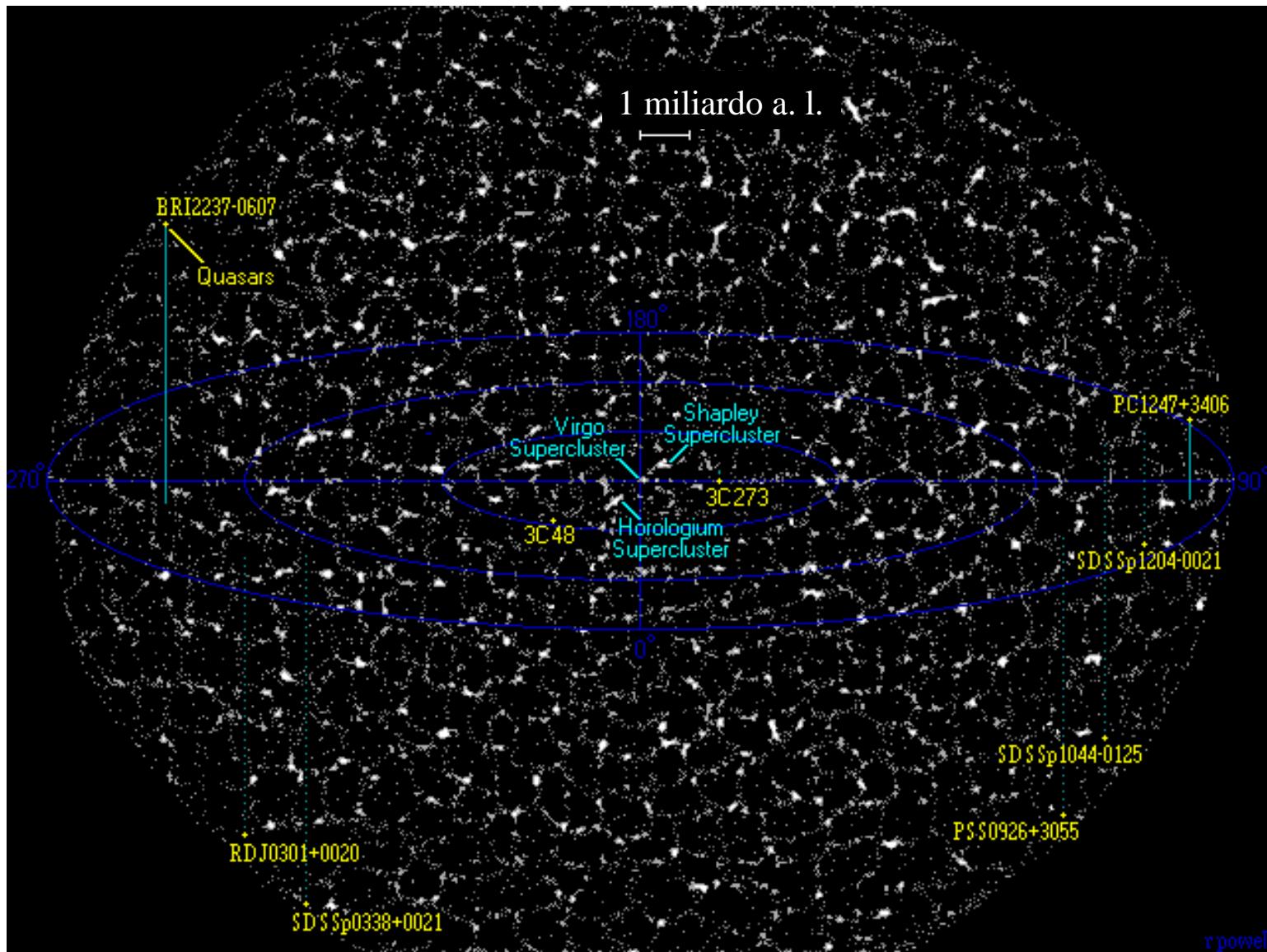
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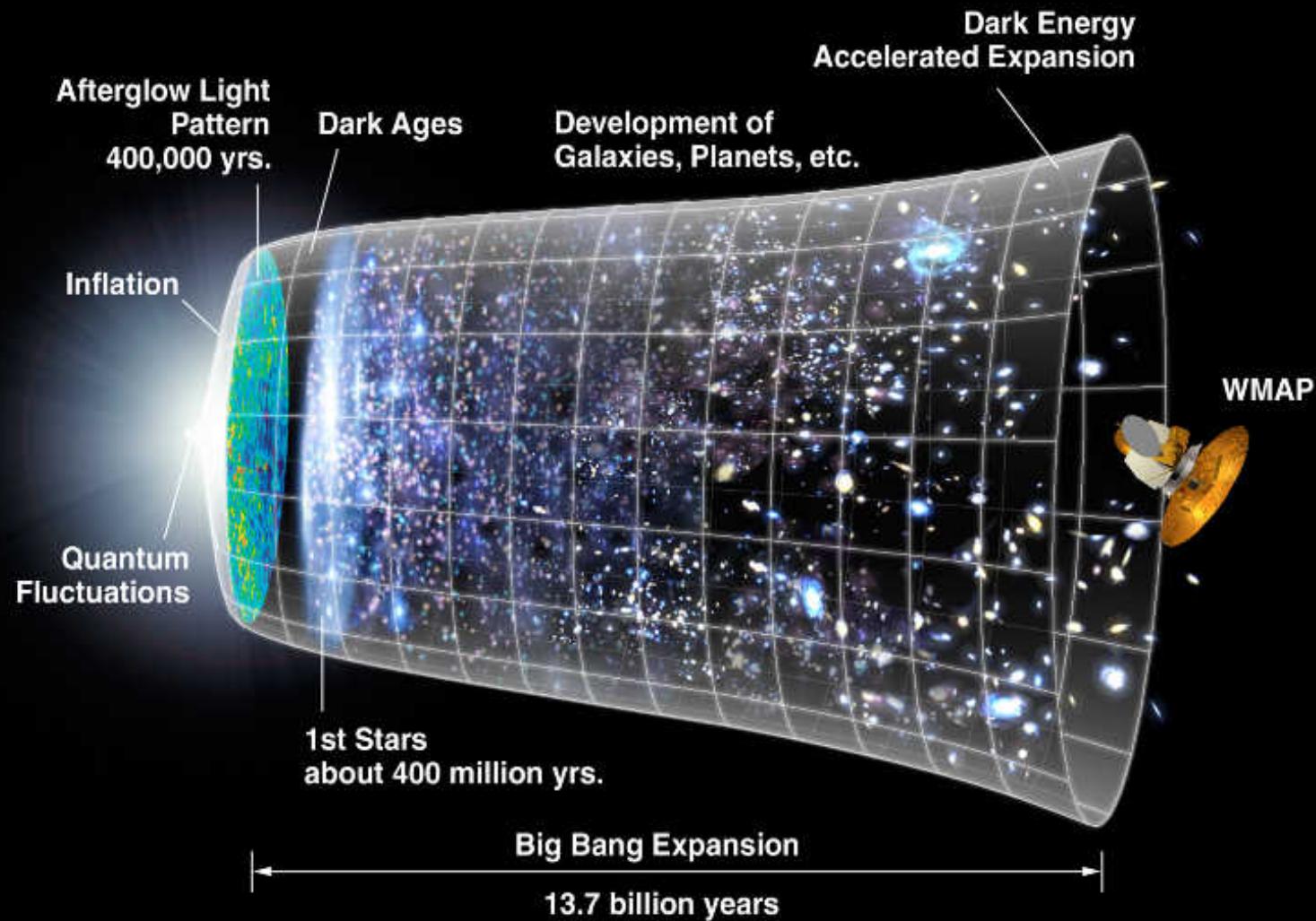


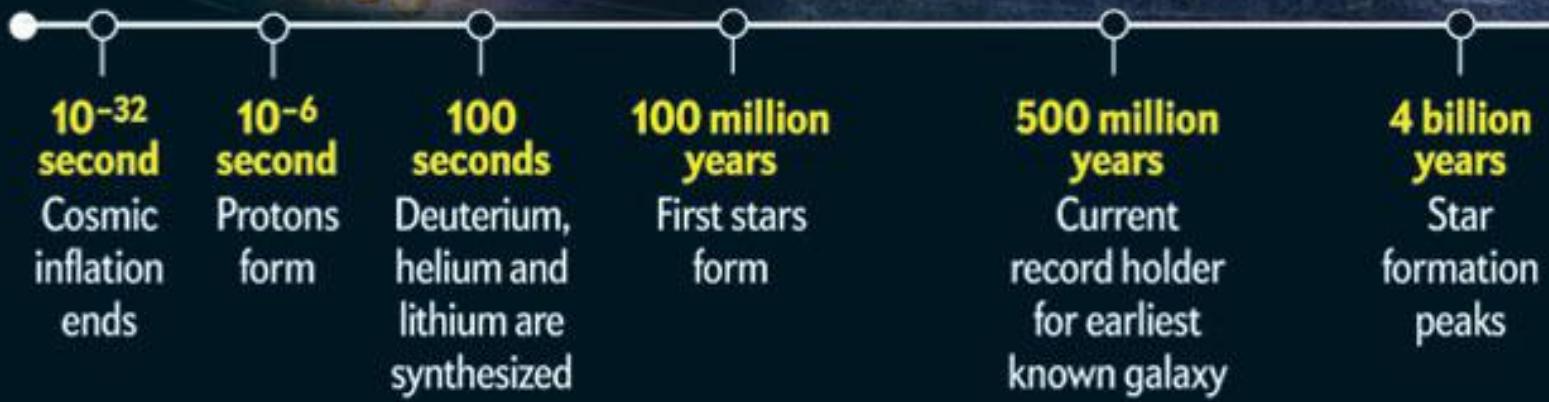
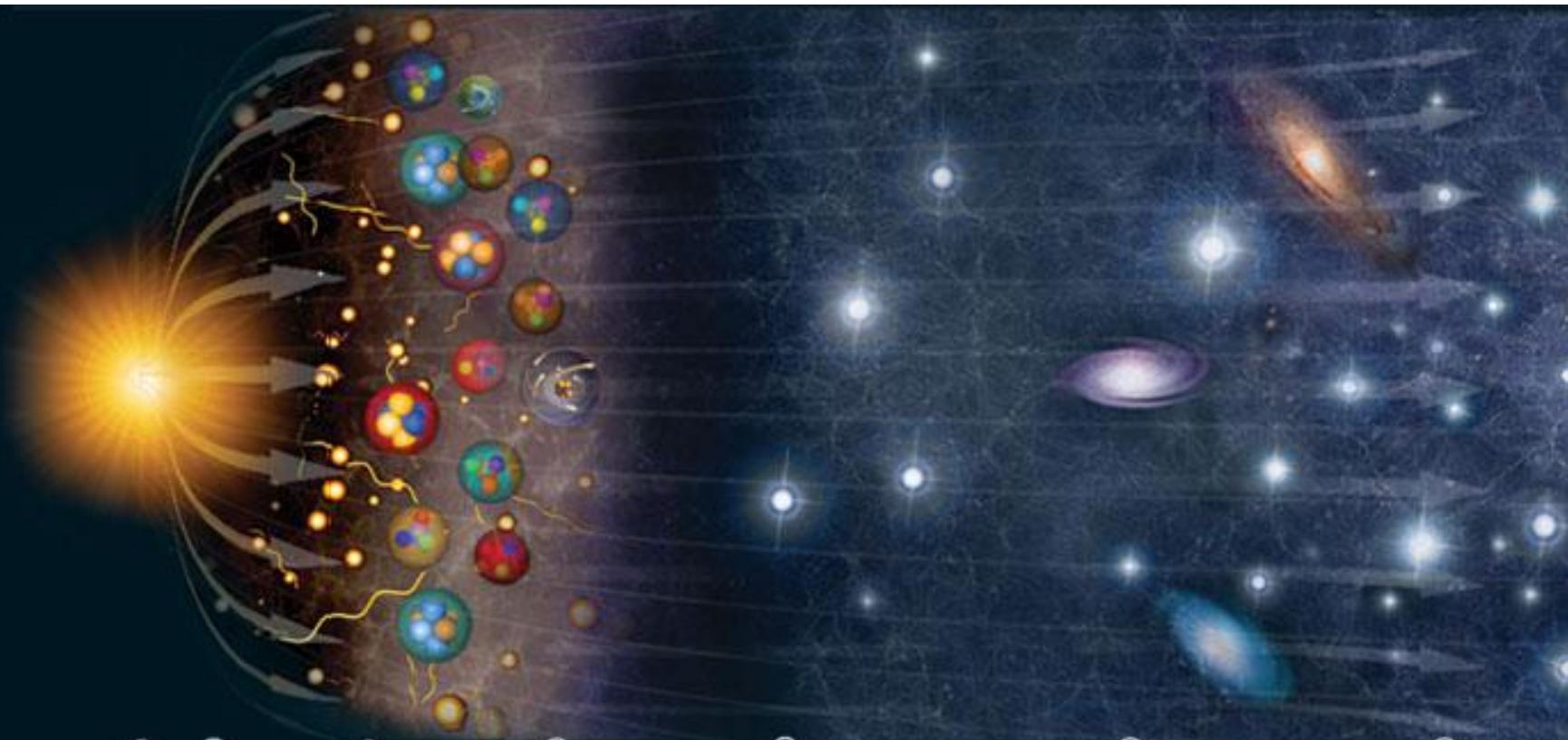


Zoom In x15

r powell

The Big Bang Model





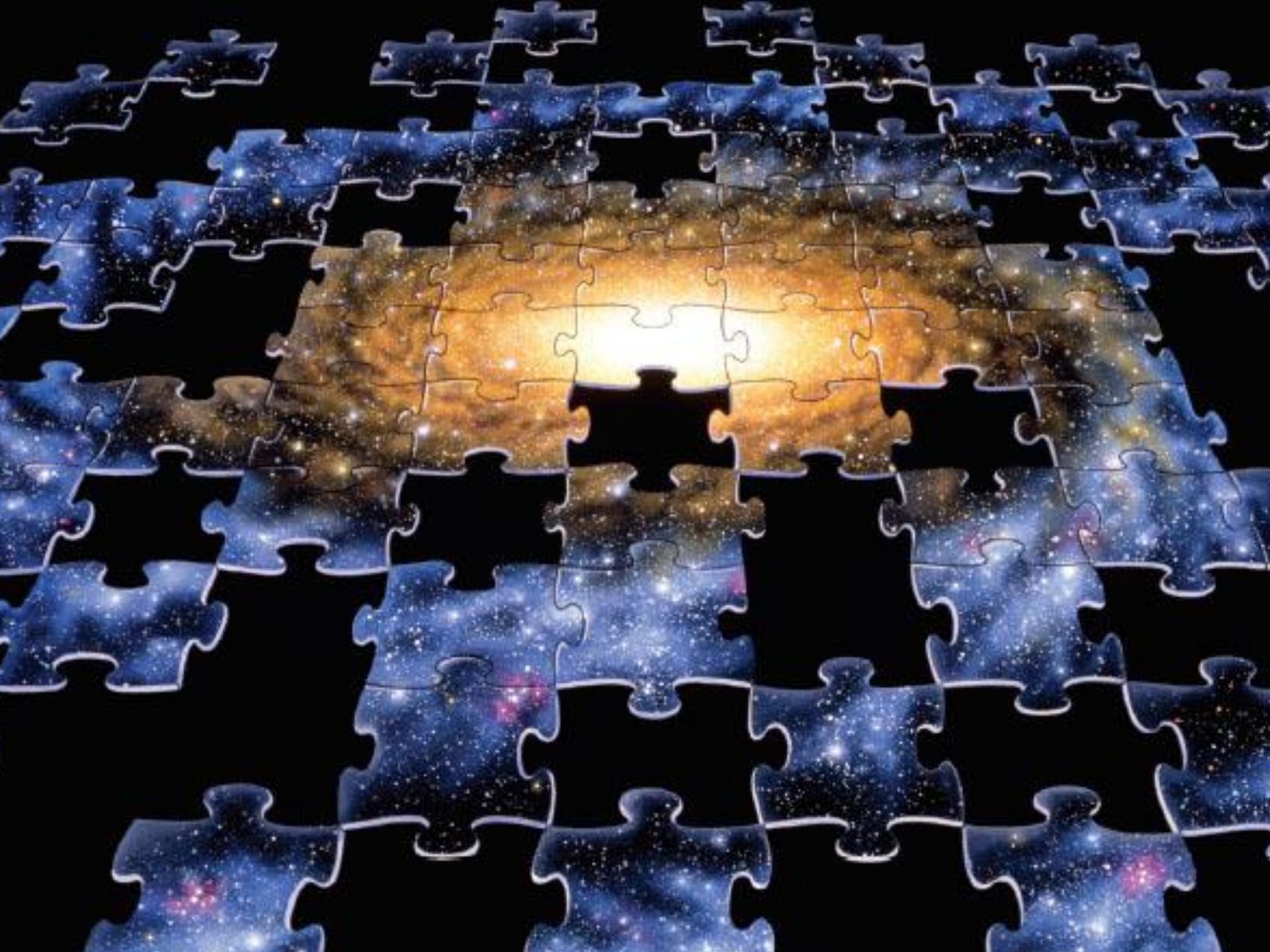
Have we understood the Universe?



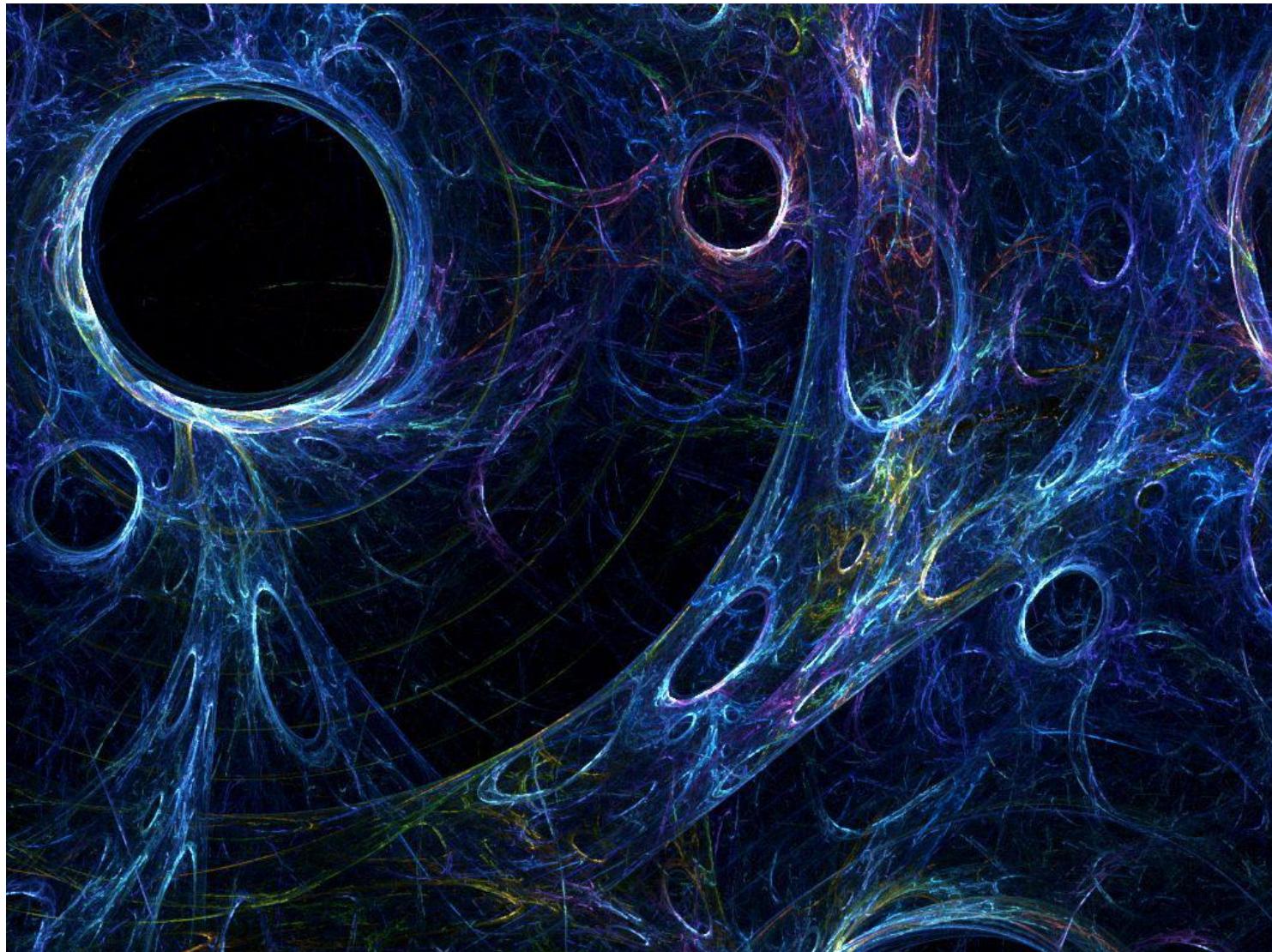


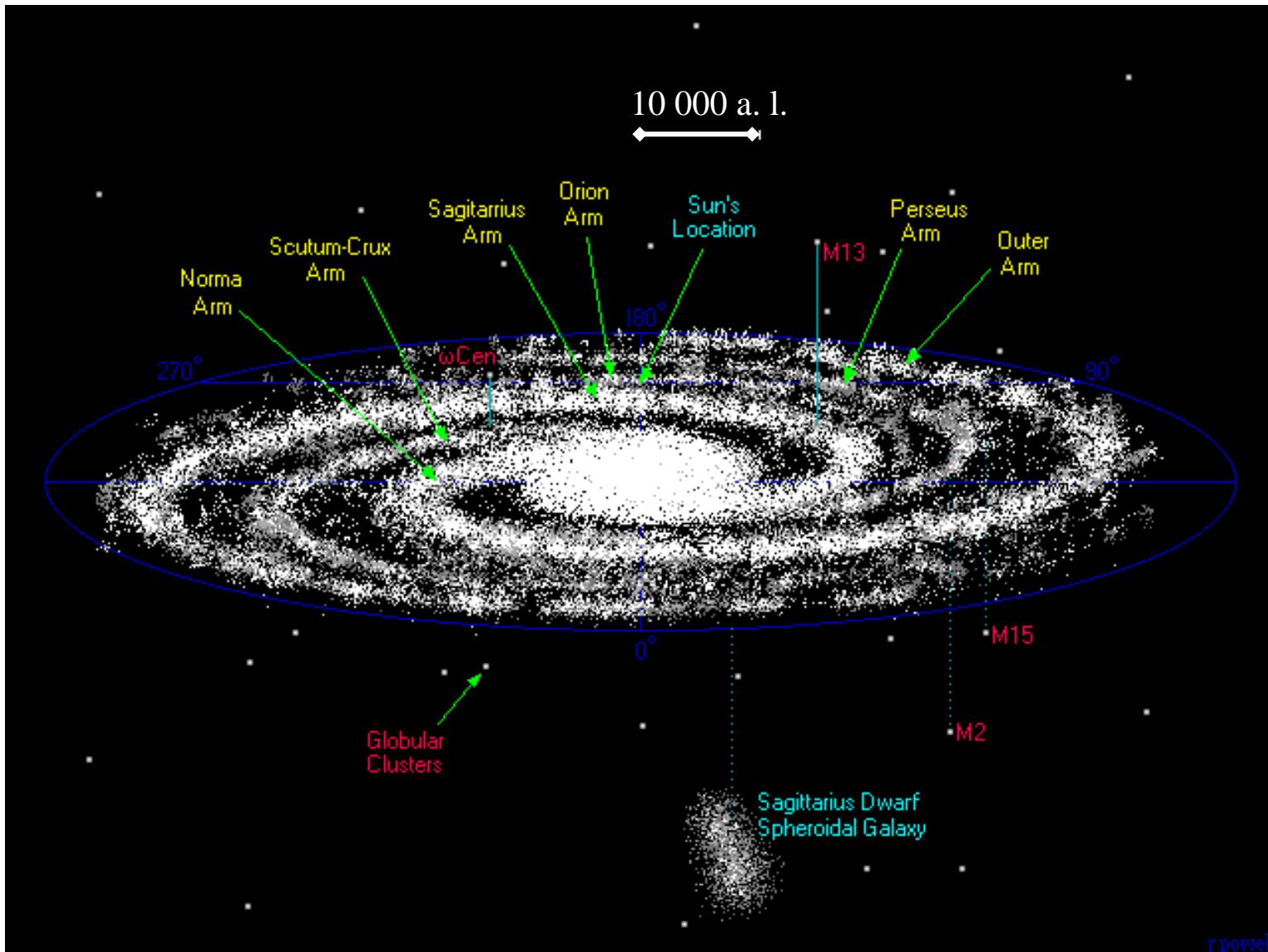
Terra Incognita





Dark matter and

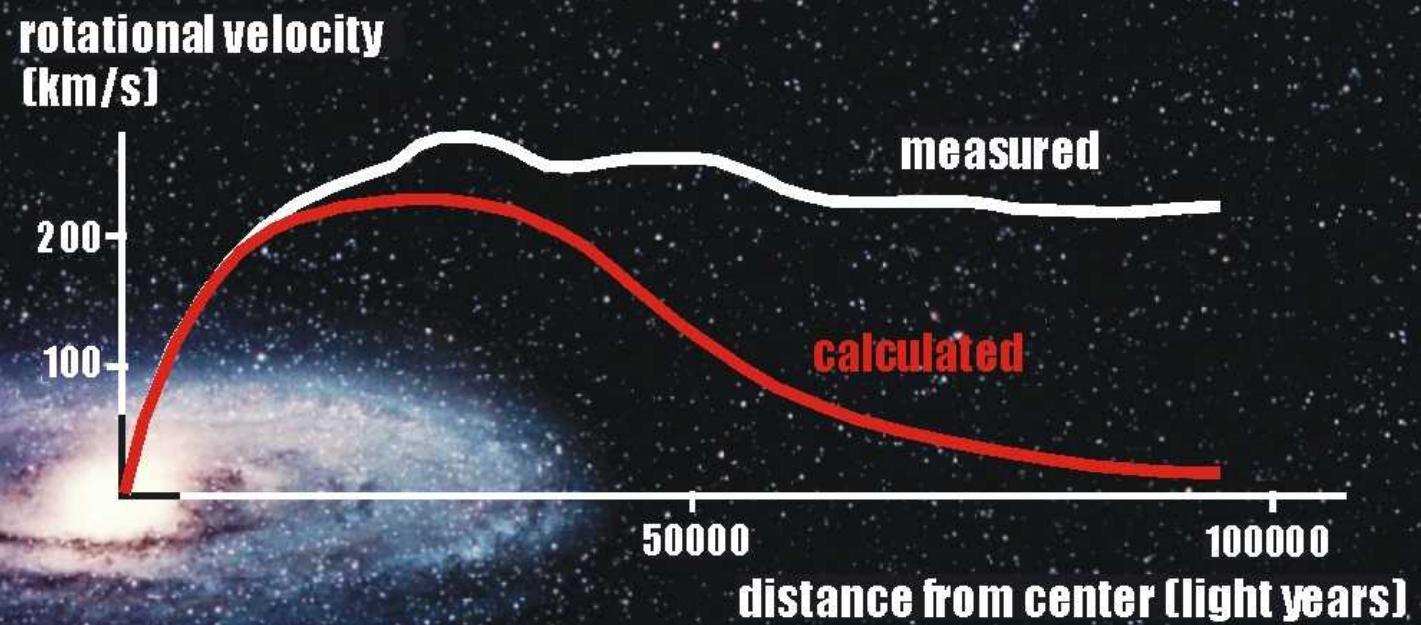


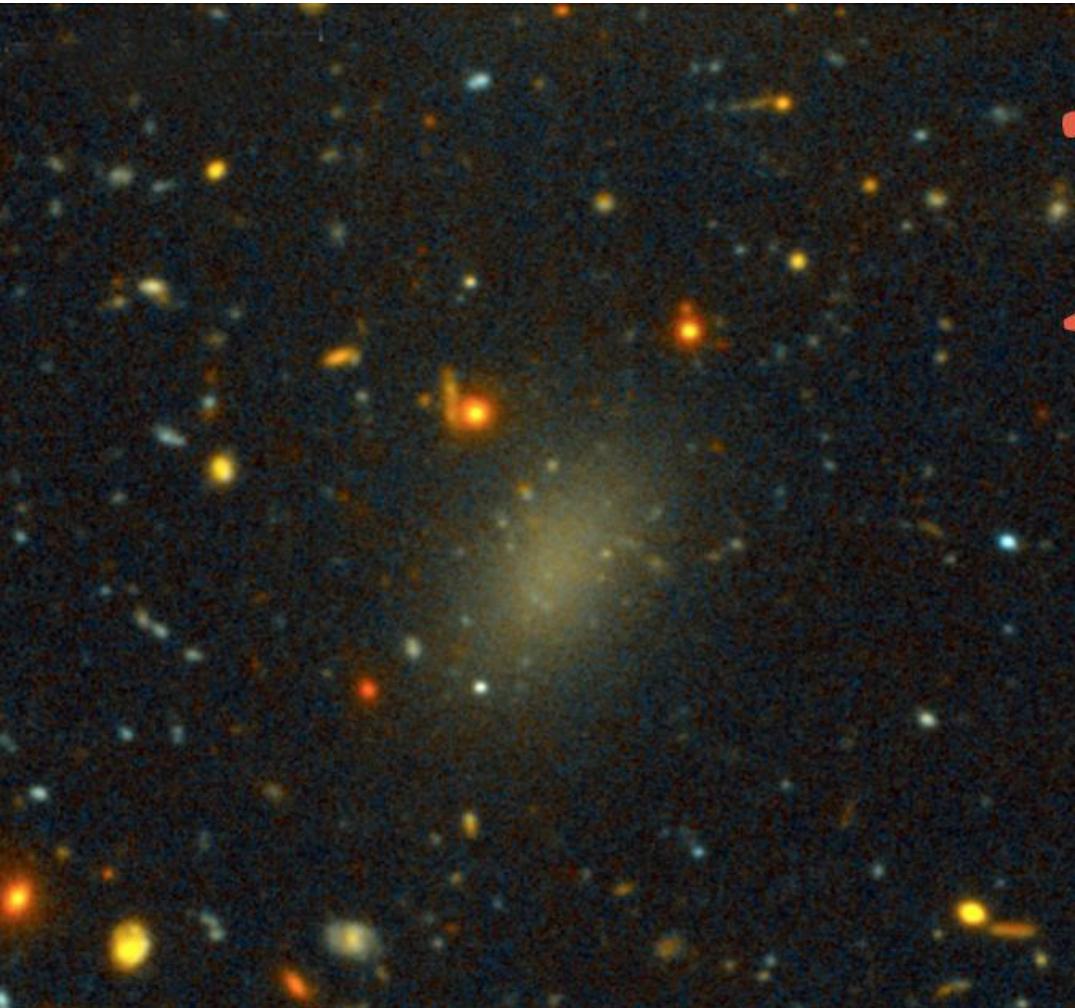


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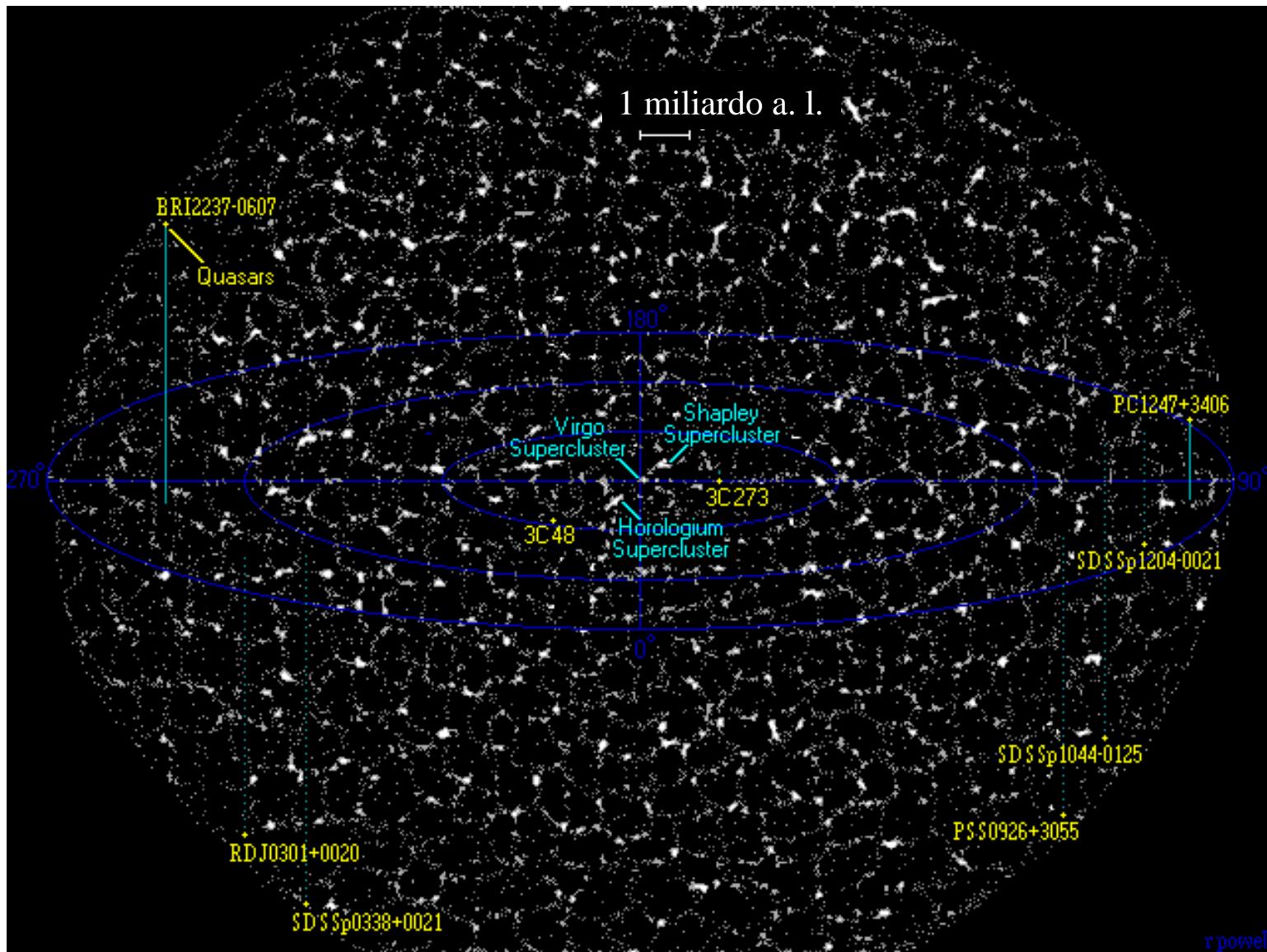
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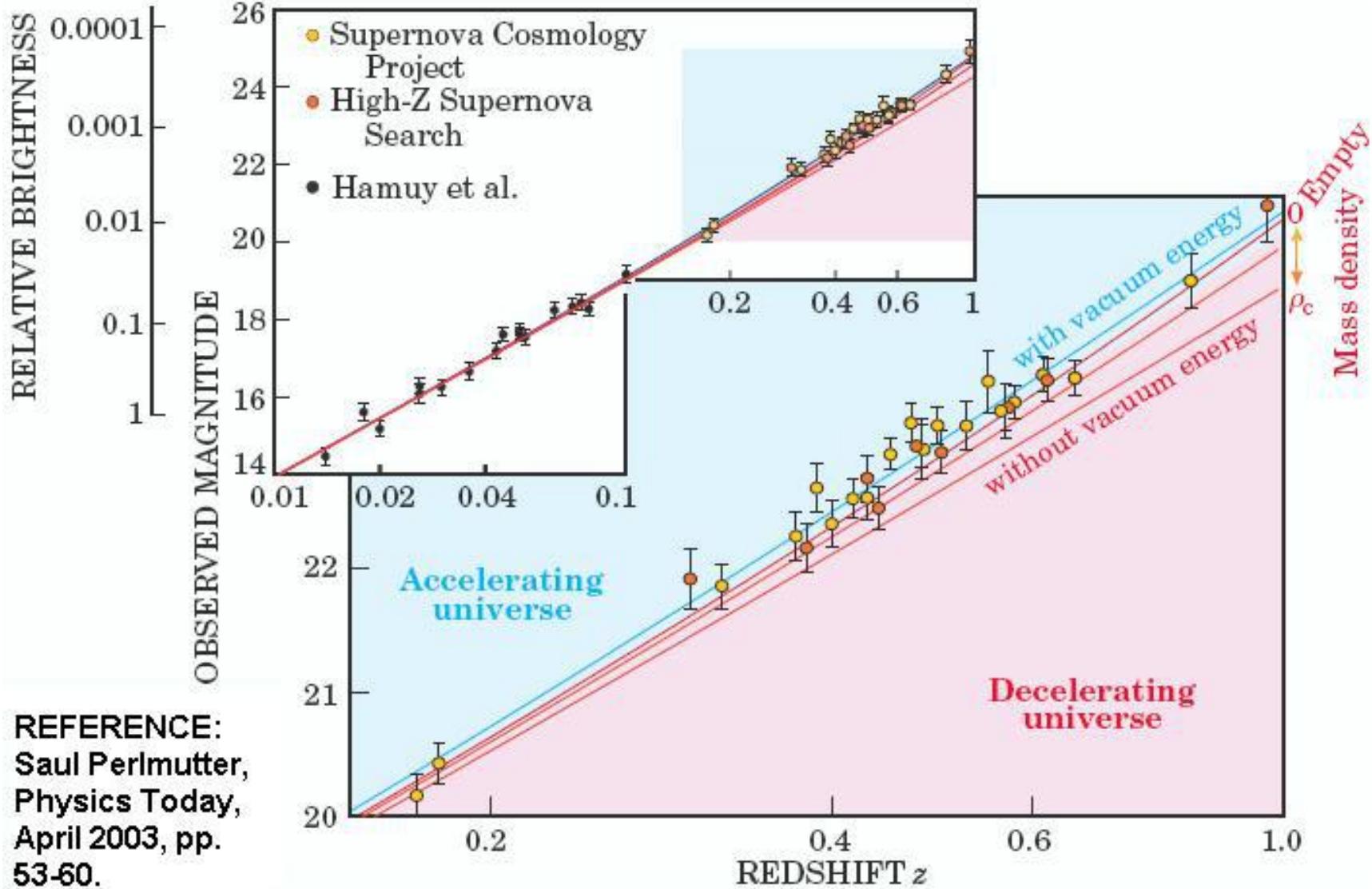


**FOUND
99.9%
DARK MATTER
GALAXY**



Zoom In x15

r powell



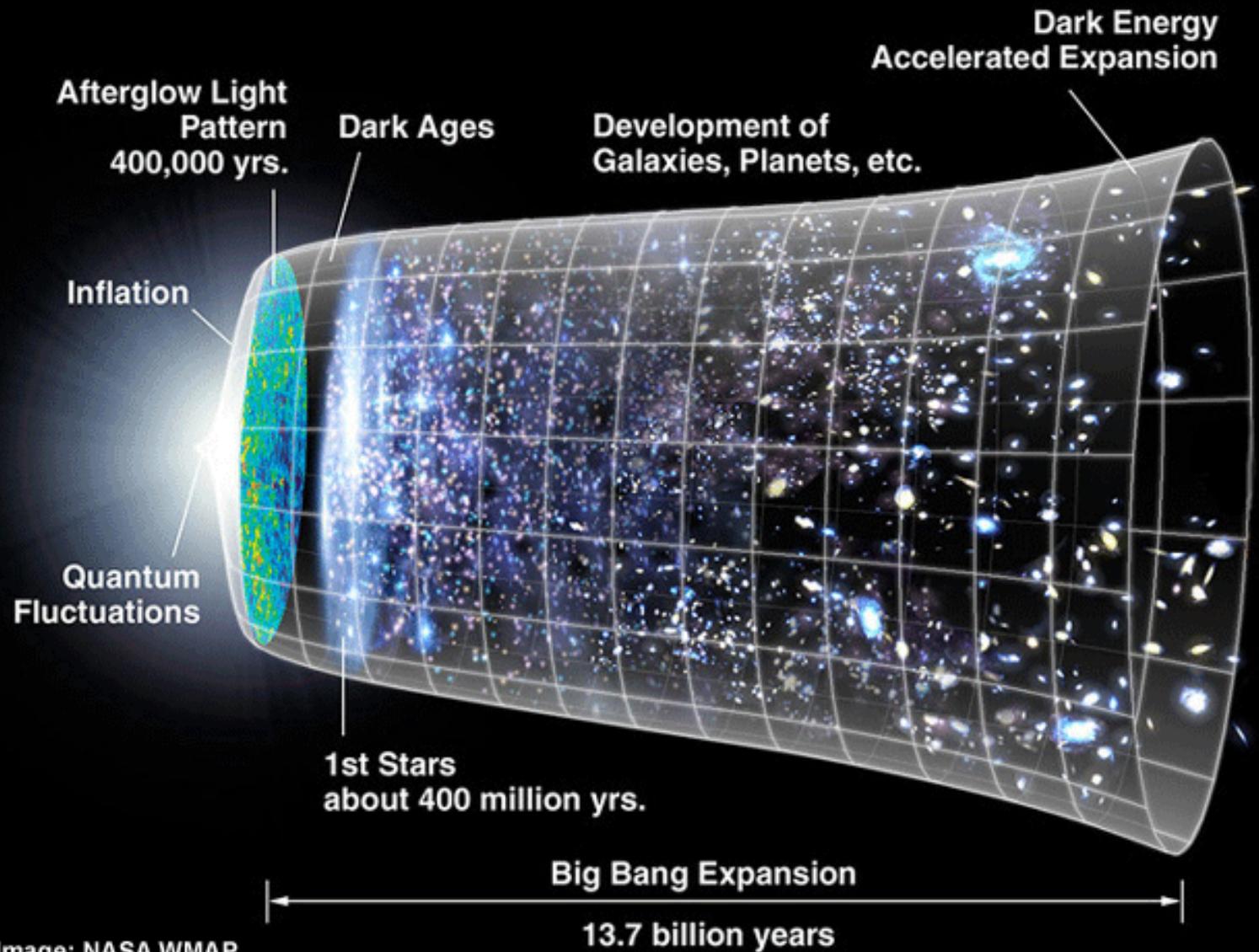
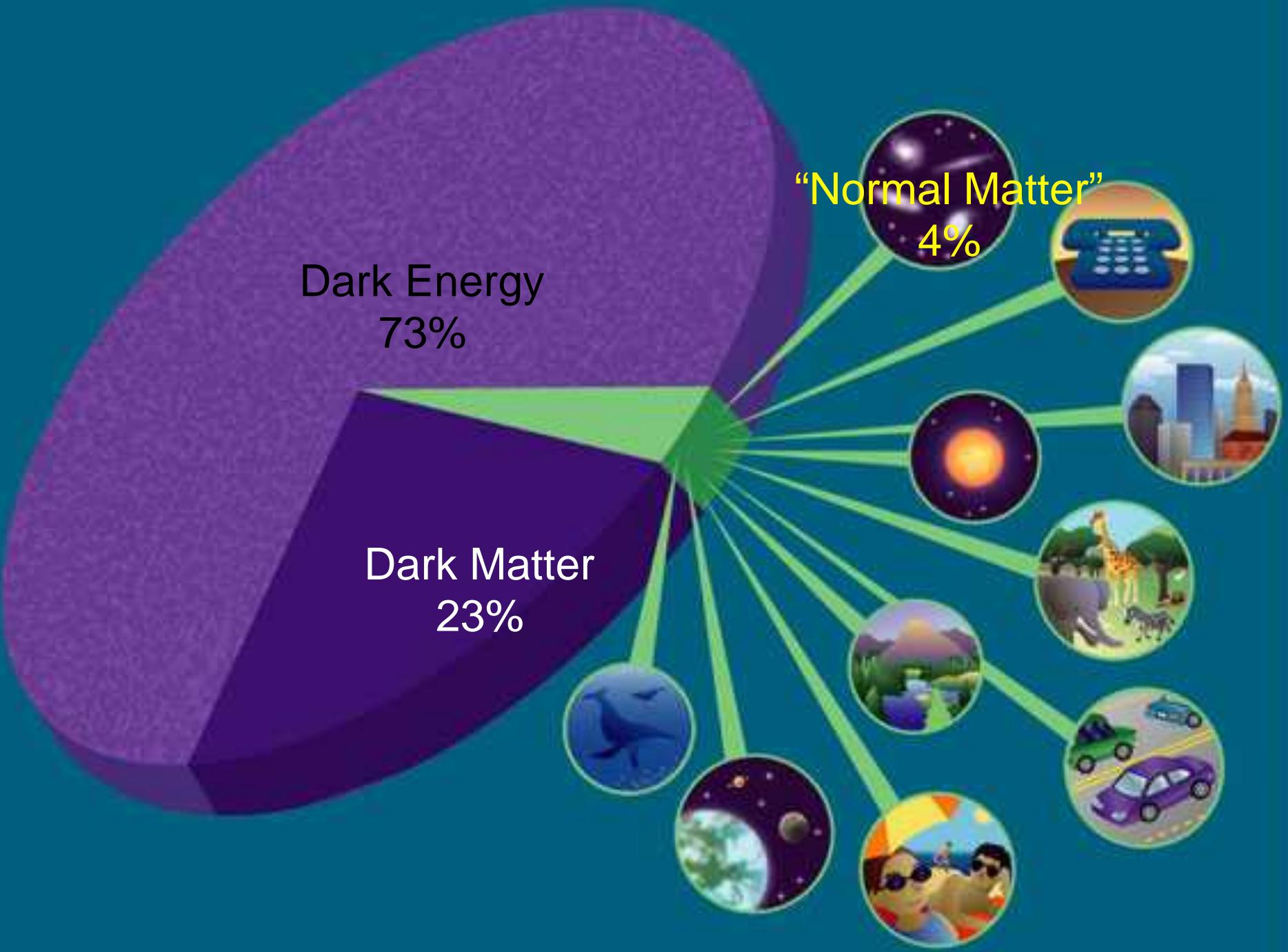
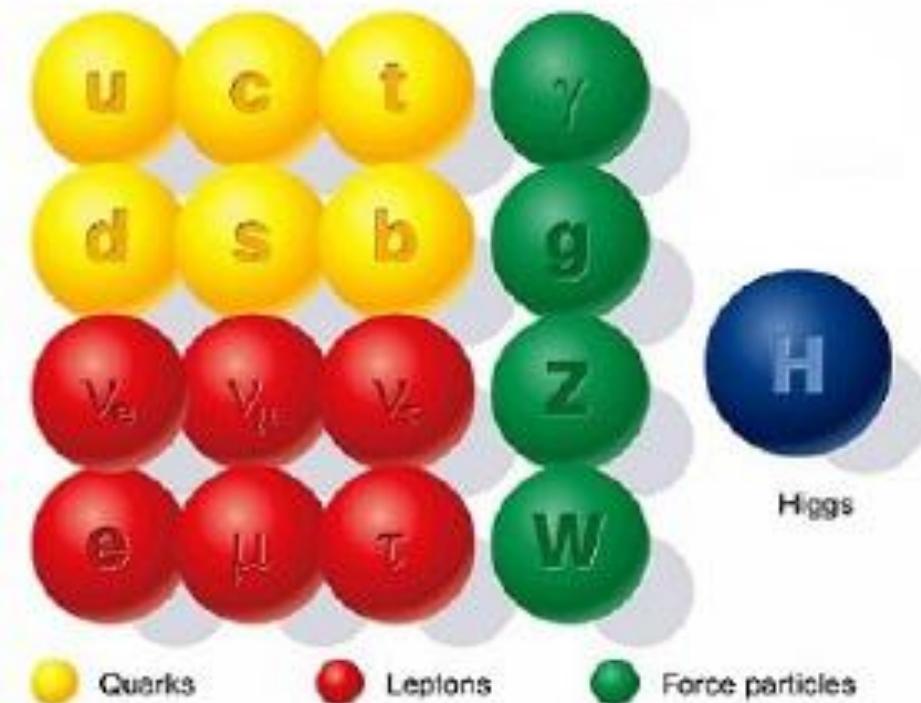


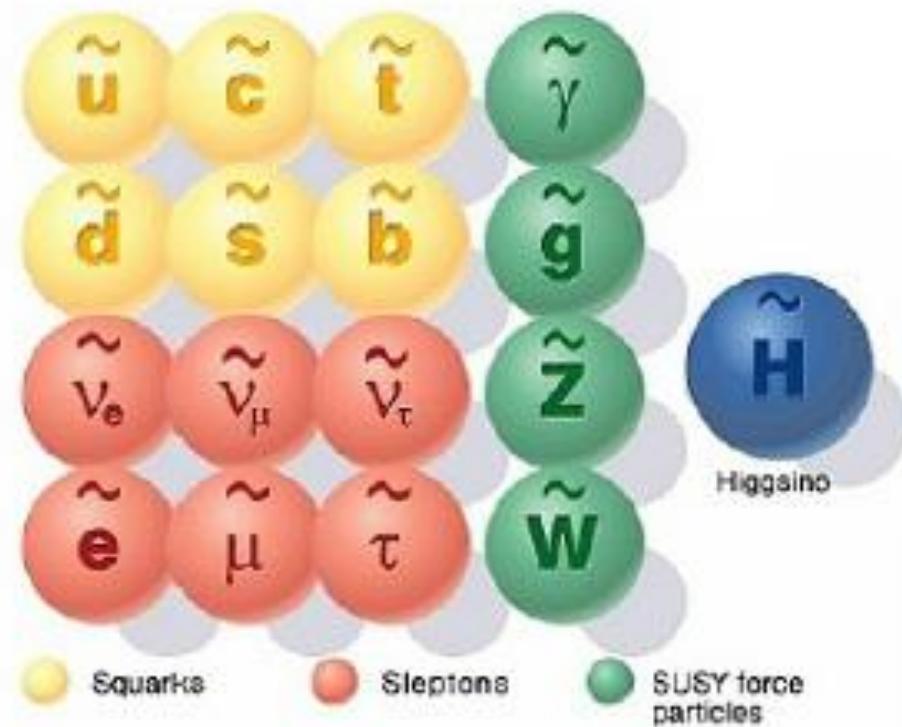
Image: NASA WMAP



SUPERSYMMETRY

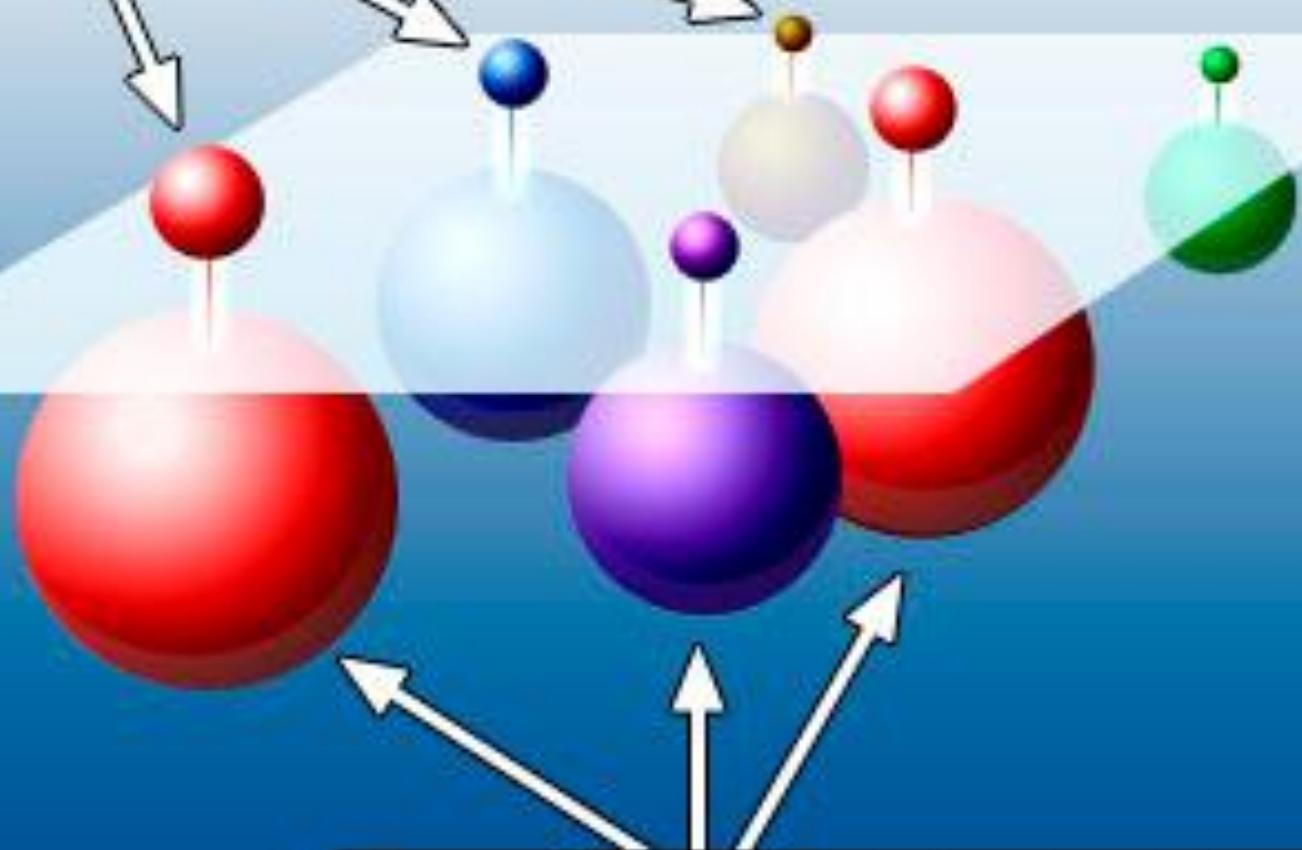


Standard particles



SUSY particles

Particles

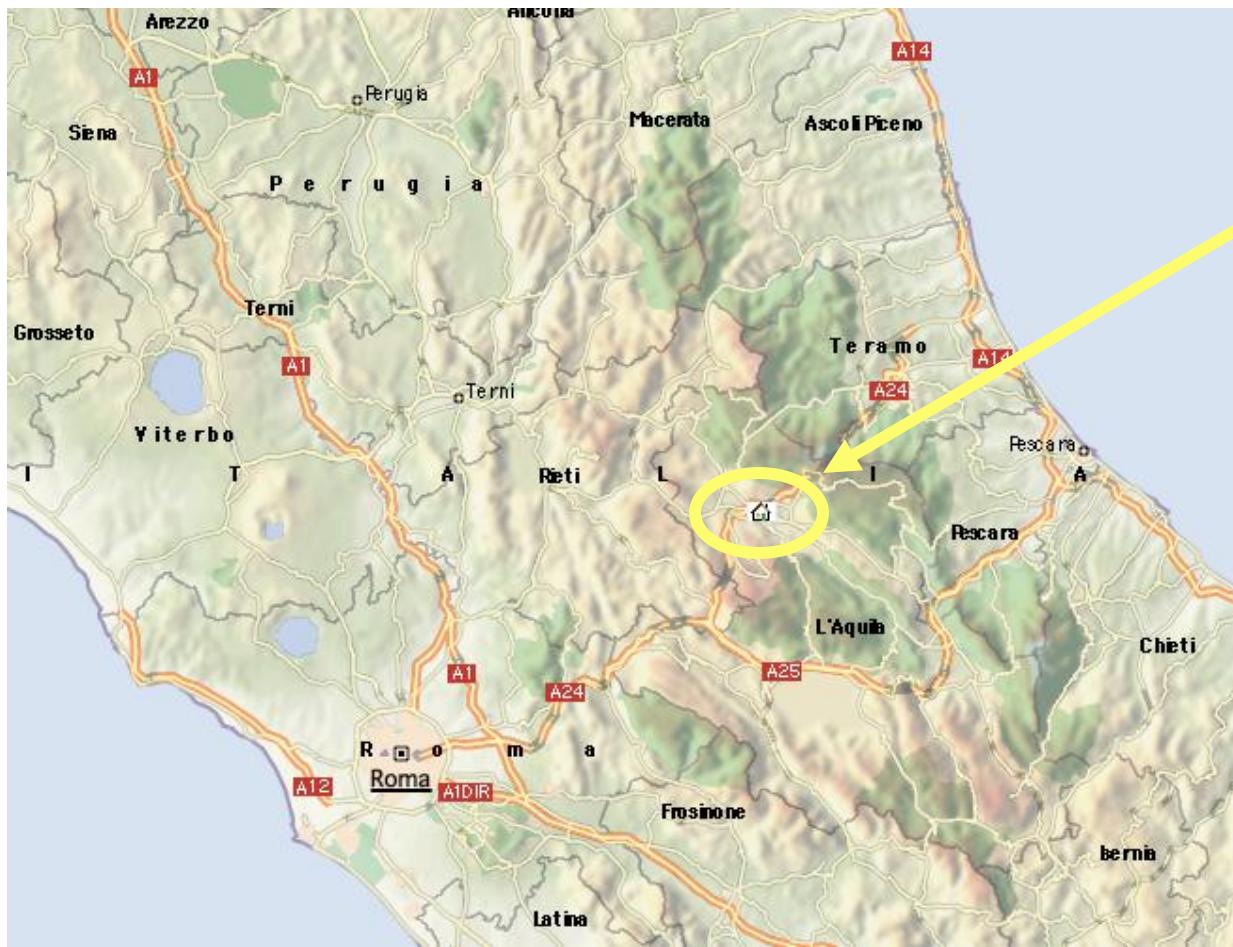


Supersymmetric “shadow” particles

A caccia di particelle di materia oscura

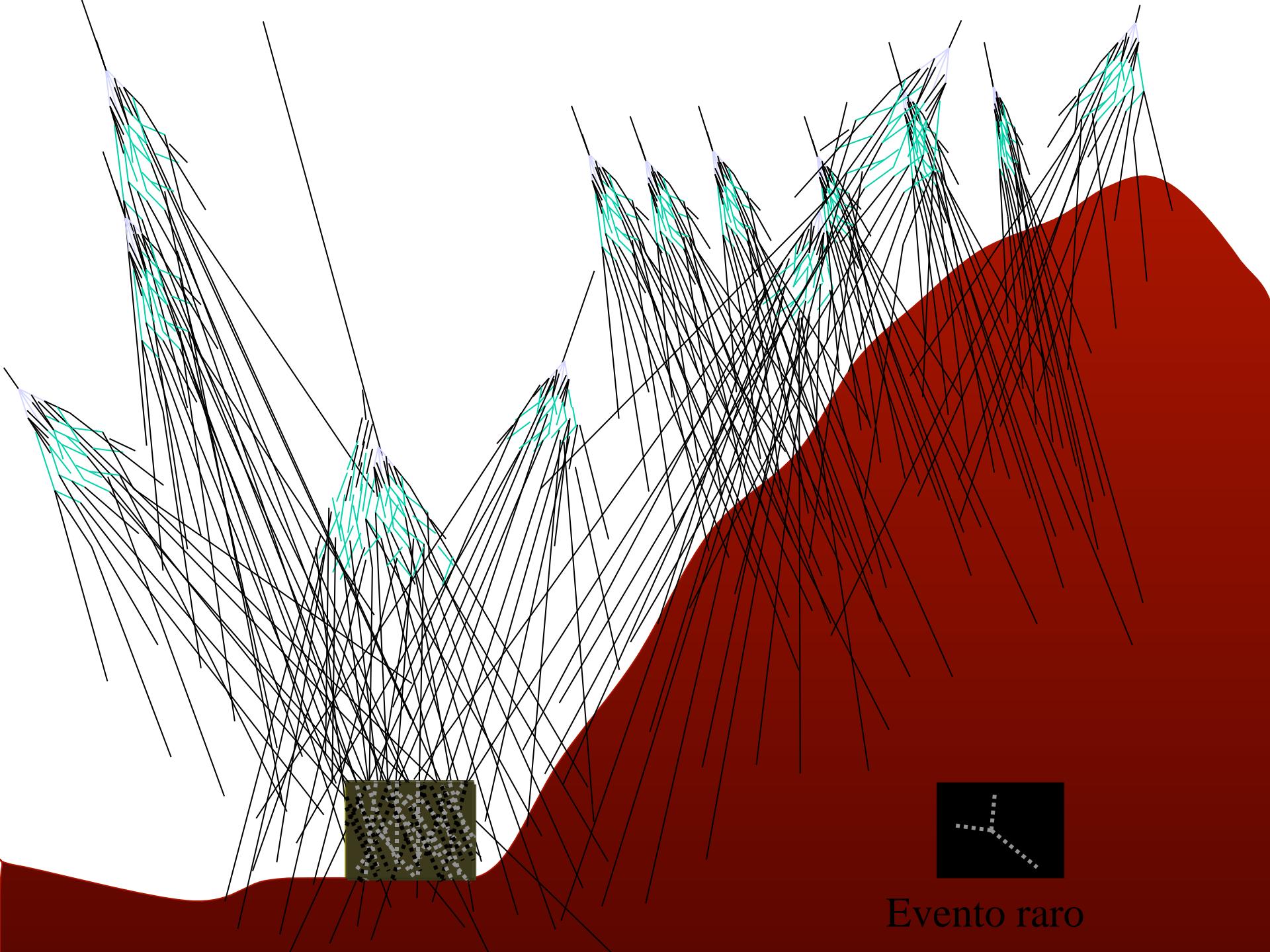


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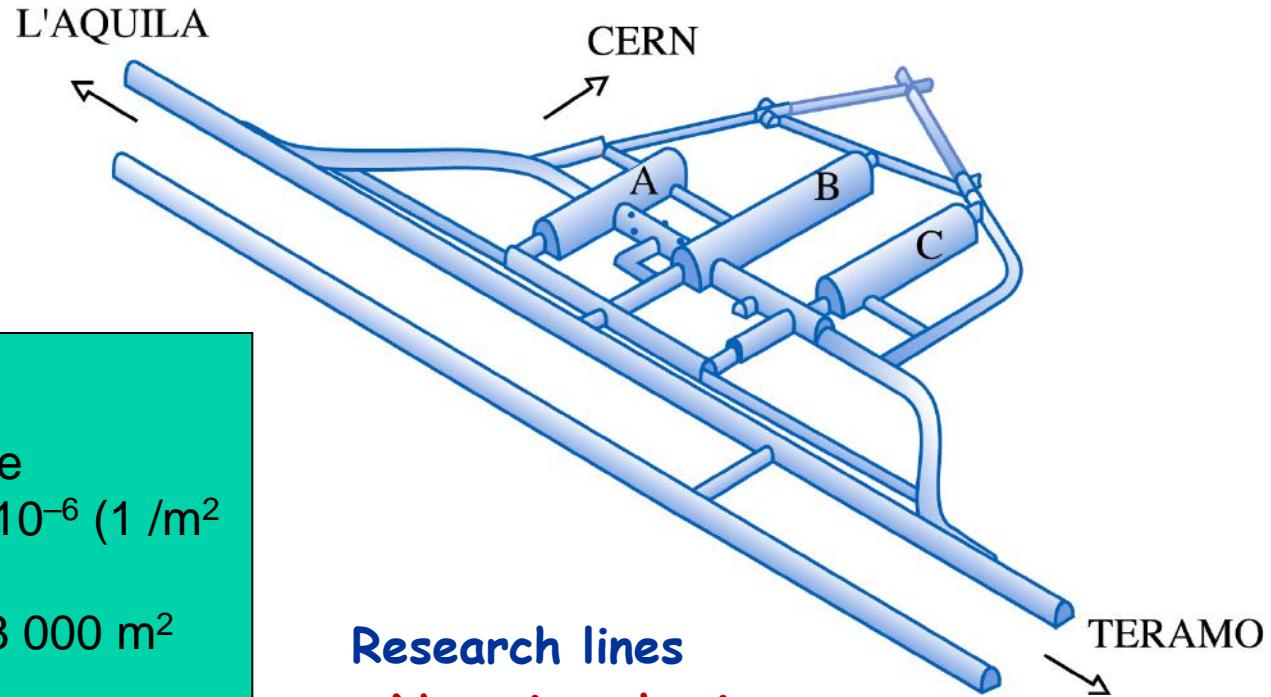




Evento raro

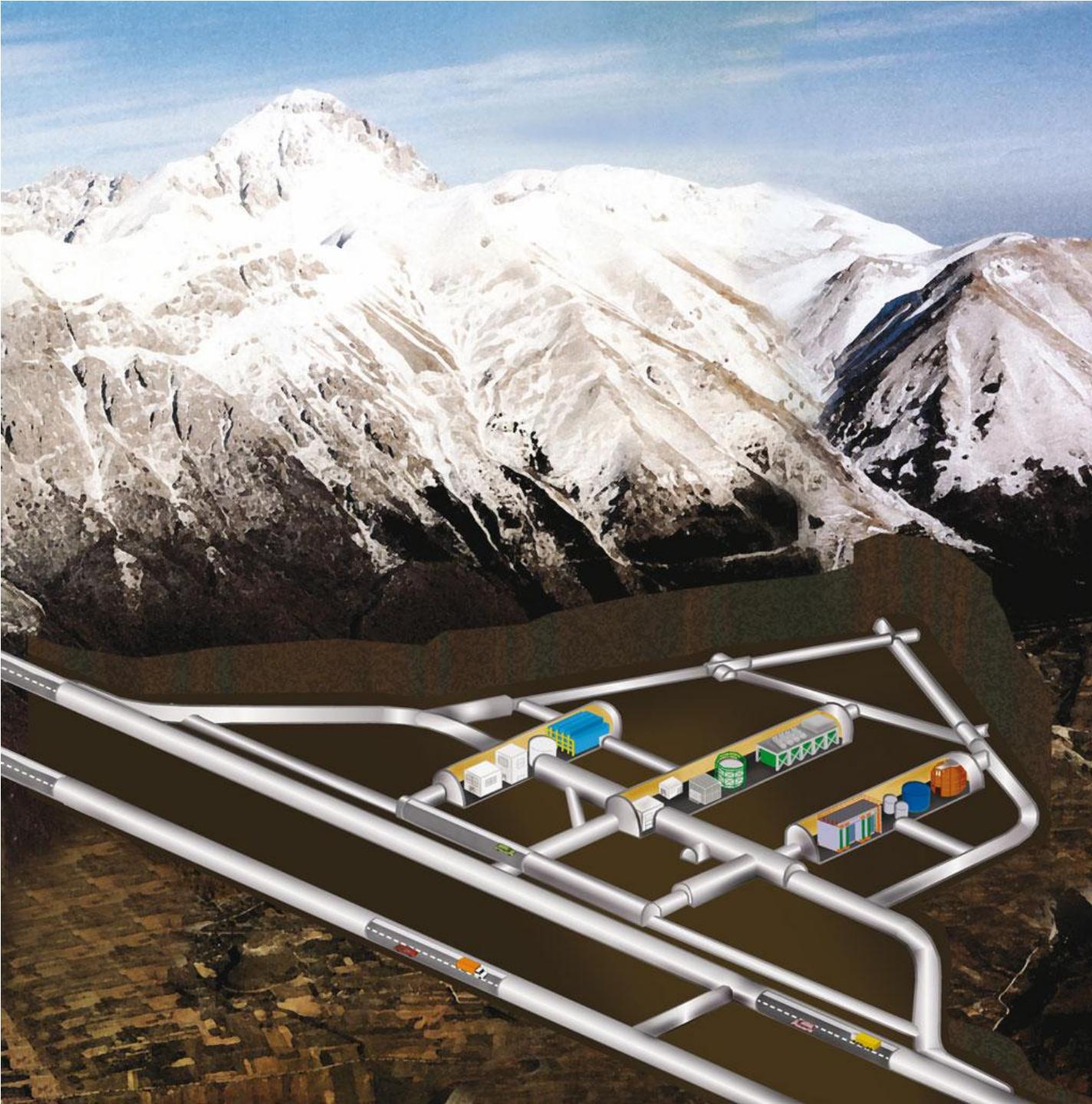


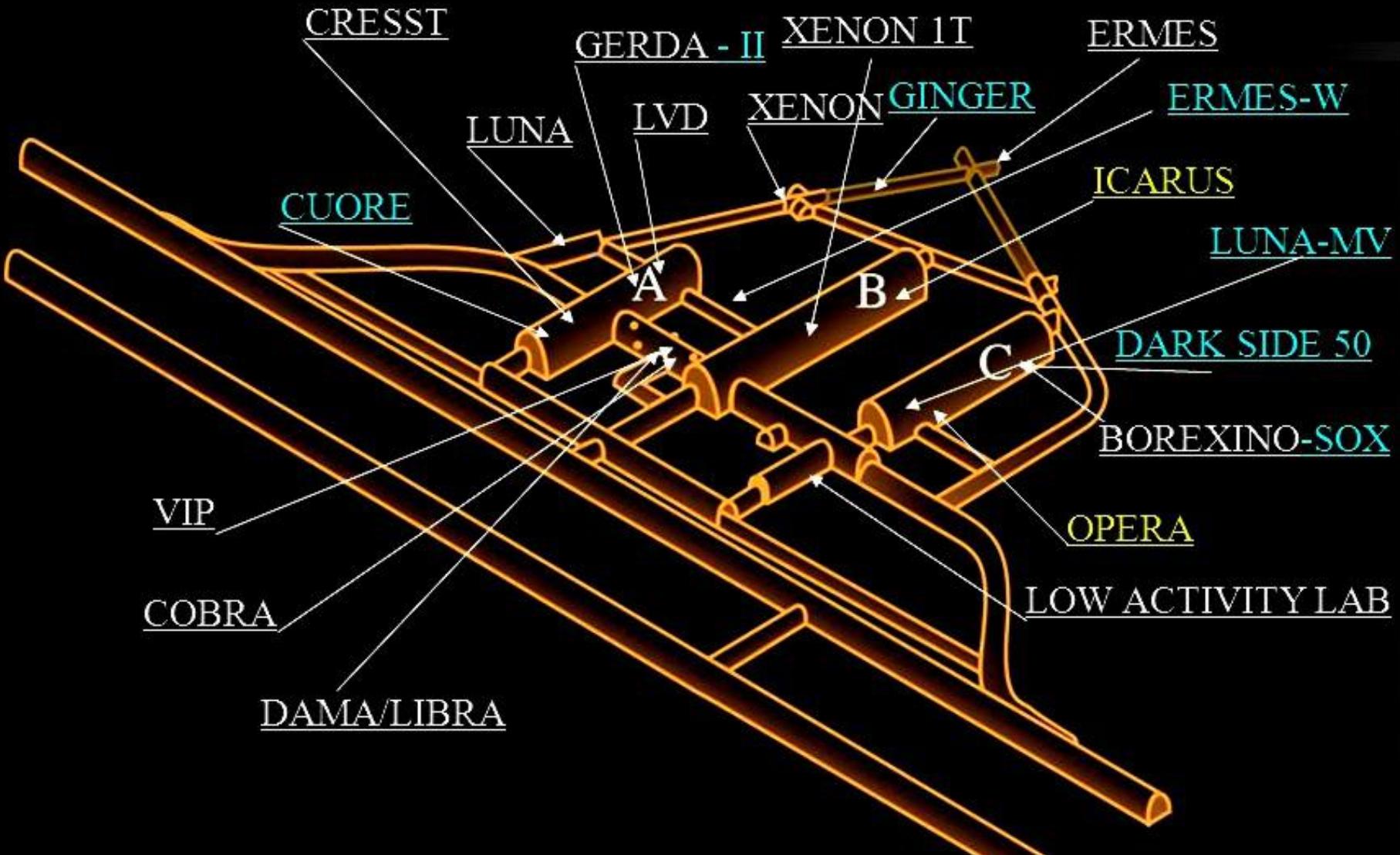
1400 m rock coverage
cosmic μ reduction = 10^{-6} (1 /m² h)
underground area: 18 000 m²
external facilities
easy access



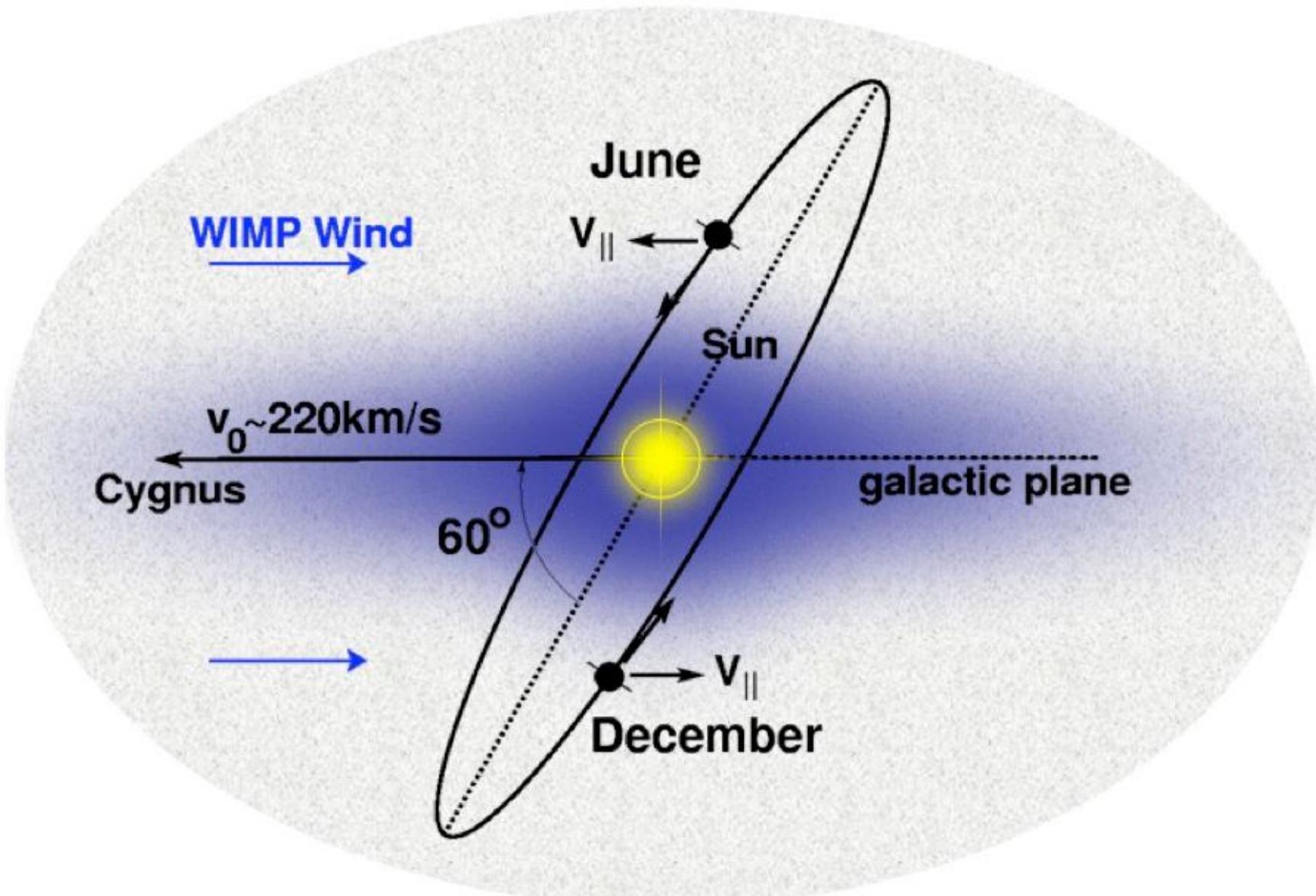
Research lines

- **Neutrino physics**
(mass, oscillations, stellar physics)
- **Dark matter**
- **Nuclear reactions of astrophysics interest**
- **Geophysics**
- **Biology**





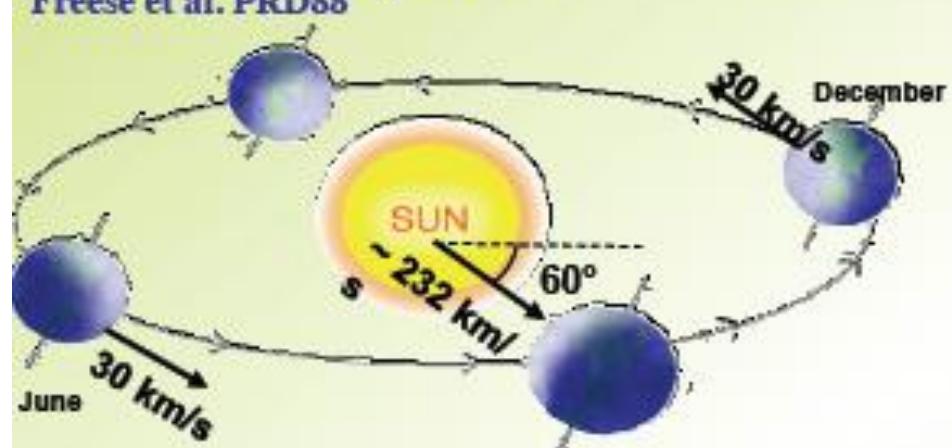
Annual modulation induced by Dark Matter



The annual modulation: a model independent signature for the investigation of Dark Matter particles component in the galactic halo

With the present technology, the annual modulation is the main model independent signature for the DM signal. Although the modulation effect is expected to be relatively small a suitable large-mass, low-radioactive set-up with an efficient control of the running conditions would point out its presence.

Drukier, Freese, Spergel PRD86
Freese et al. PRD88



- $v_{\text{sun}} \sim 232 \text{ km/s}$ (Sun velocity in the halo)
- $v_{\text{orb}} = 30 \text{ km/s}$ (Earth velocity around the Sun)
- $\gamma = \pi/3$, $\omega = 2\pi/T$, $T = 1 \text{ year}$
- $t_0 = 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ June}$ (when v_{\oplus} is maximum)

$$v_{\oplus}(t) = v_{\text{sun}} + v_{\text{orb}} \cos\gamma \cos[\omega(t-t_0)]$$

$$S_k[\eta(t)] = \int_{\Delta E_k} \frac{dR}{dE_R} dE_R \cong S_{0,k} + S_{m,k} \cos[\omega(t-t_0)]$$

Expected rate in given energy bin changes because the annual motion of the Earth around the Sun moving in the Galaxy

Requirements of the annual modulation

- 1) Modulated rate according cosine
- 2) In a definite low energy range
- 3) With a proper period (1 year)
- 4) With proper phase (about 2 June)
- 5) Just for single hit events in a multi-detector set-up
- 6) With modulation amplitude in the region of maximal sensitivity must be <7% for usually adopted halo distributions, but it can be larger in case of some possible scenarios

To mimic this signature, spurious effects and side reactions must not only - obviously - be able to account for the whole observed modulation amplitude, but also to satisfy contemporaneously all the requirements

The DM annual modulation signature has a different origin and, thus, different peculiarities (e.g. the phase) with respect to those effects connected with the seasons instead

DAMA/LIBRA





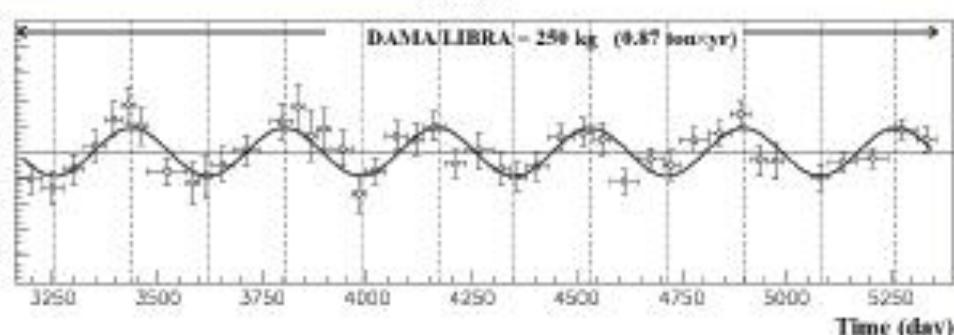
Model Independent Annual Modulation Result

experimental single-hit residuals rate vs time and energy

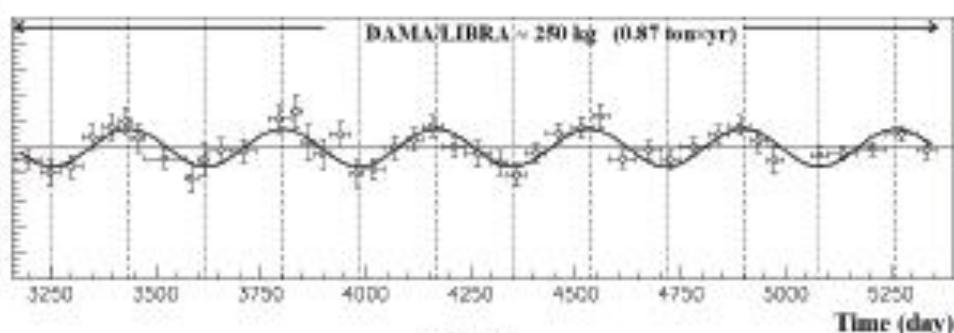
DAMA/LIBRA 1-6 (0.87 ton×yr)

$\text{Acos}[\omega(t-t_0)]$; continuous lines: $t_0 = 152.5 \text{ d}$, $T = 1.00 \text{ y}$

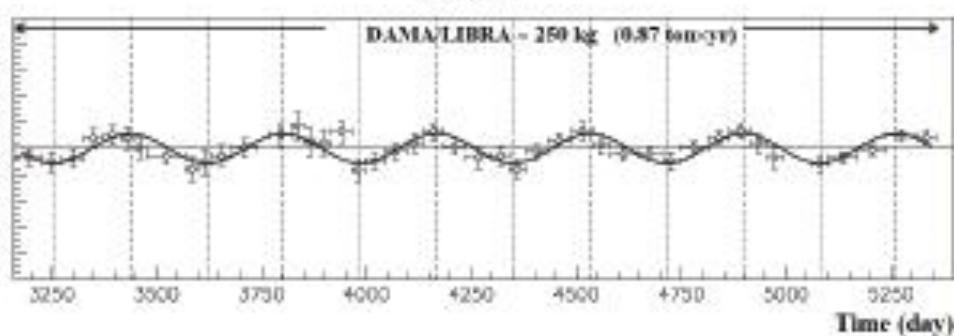
2-4 keV



2-5 keV



2-6 keV



The fit has been done on the DAMA/NaI & DAMA/LIBRA data (1.17 ton × yr)

2-4 keV

$A = (0.0183 \pm 0.0022) \text{ cpd/kg/keV}$

$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 75.7/79 \quad 8.3 \sigma \text{ C.L.}$

Absence of modulation? No

$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 147/80 \Rightarrow P(A=0) = 7 \times 10^{-6}$

2-5 keV

$A = (0.0144 \pm 0.0016) \text{ cpd/kg/keV}$

$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 56.6/79 \quad 9.0 \sigma \text{ C.L.}$

Absence of modulation? No

$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 135/80 \Rightarrow P(A=0) = 1.1 \times 10^{-4}$

2-6 keV

$A = (0.0114 \pm 0.0013) \text{ cpd/kg/keV}$

$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 64.7/79 \quad 8.8 \sigma \text{ C.L.}$

Absence of modulation? No

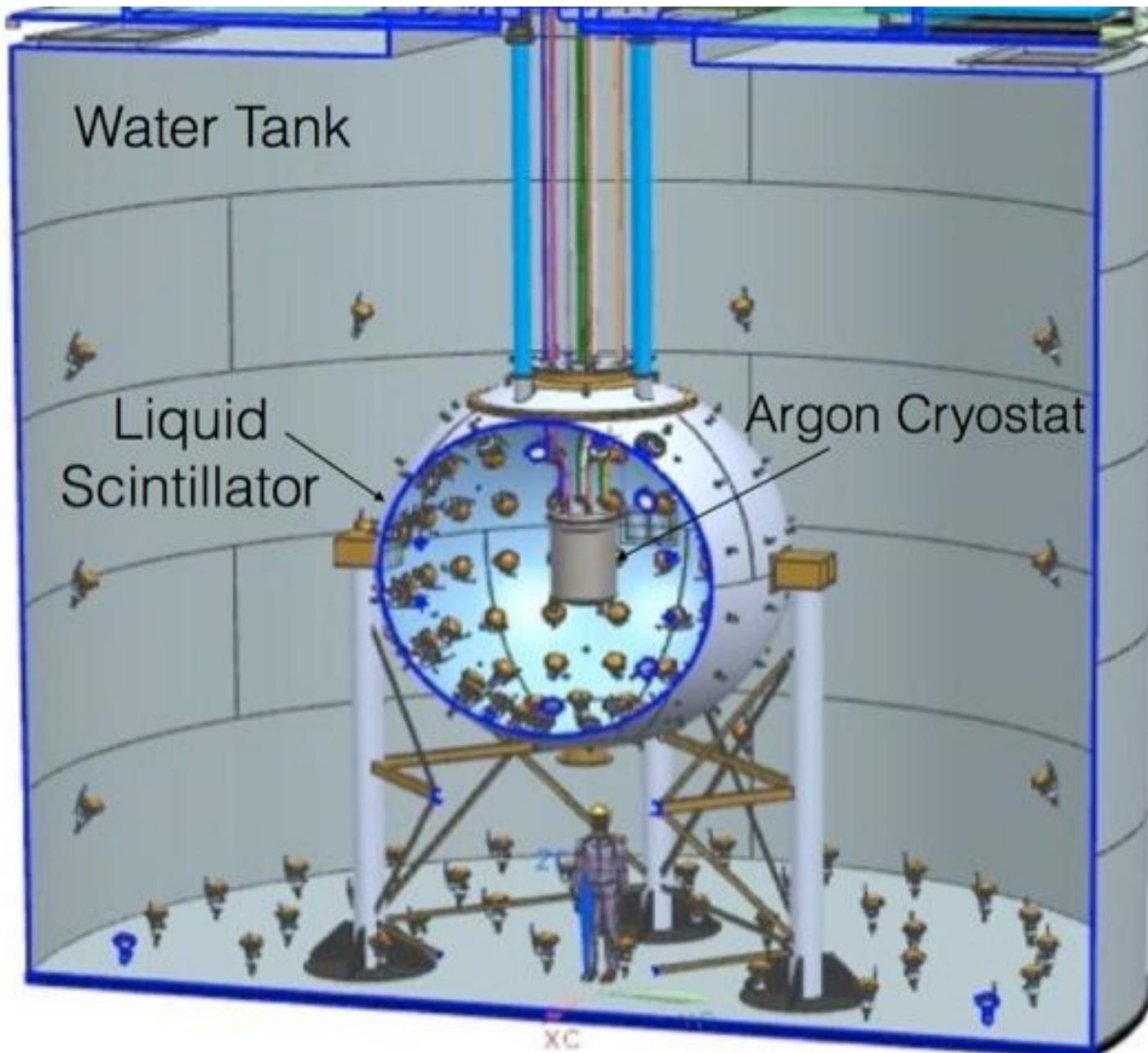
$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 140/80 \Rightarrow P(A=0) = 4.3 \times 10^{-5}$

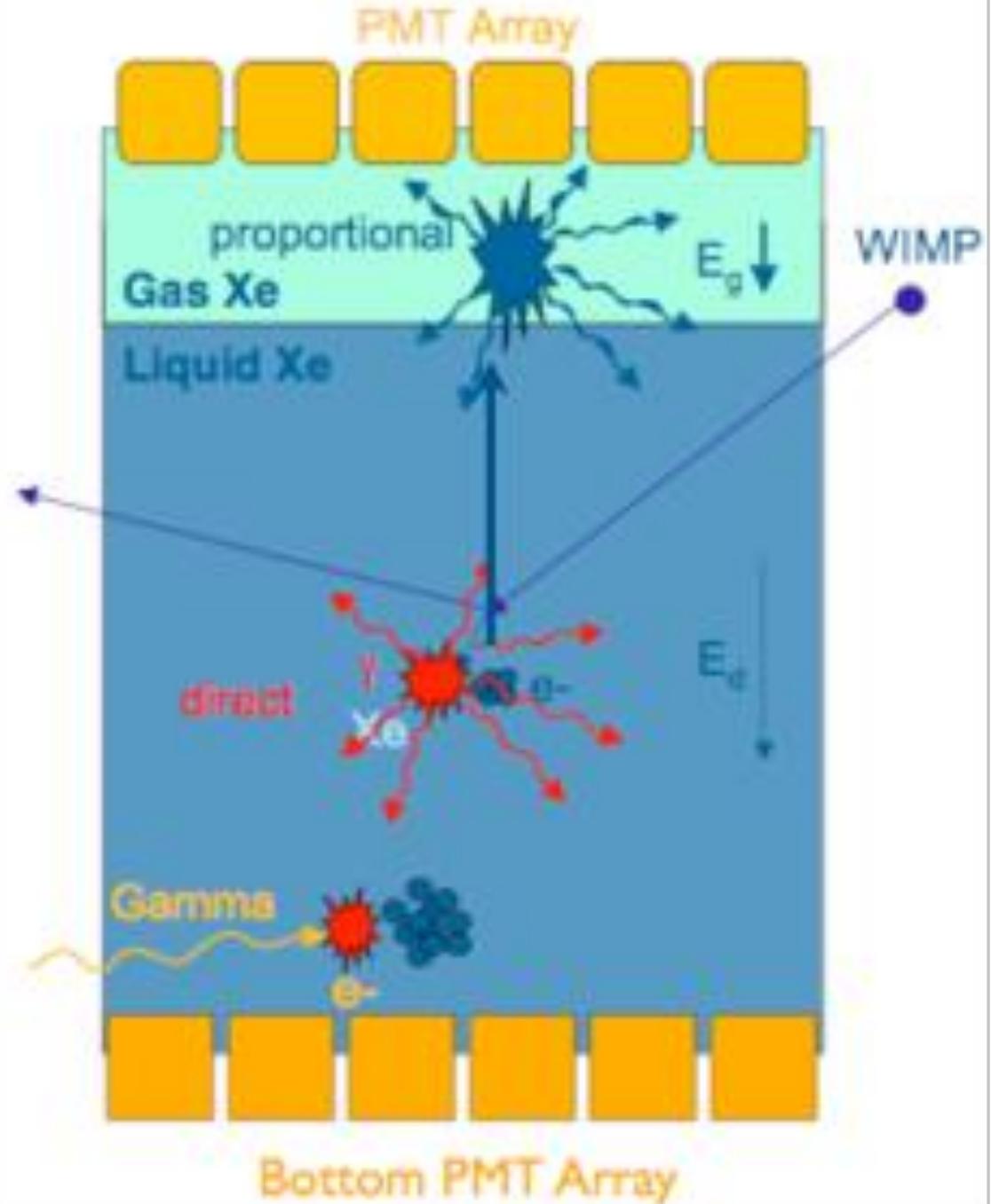
The data favor the presence of a modulated behavior with proper features at 8.8σ C.L.

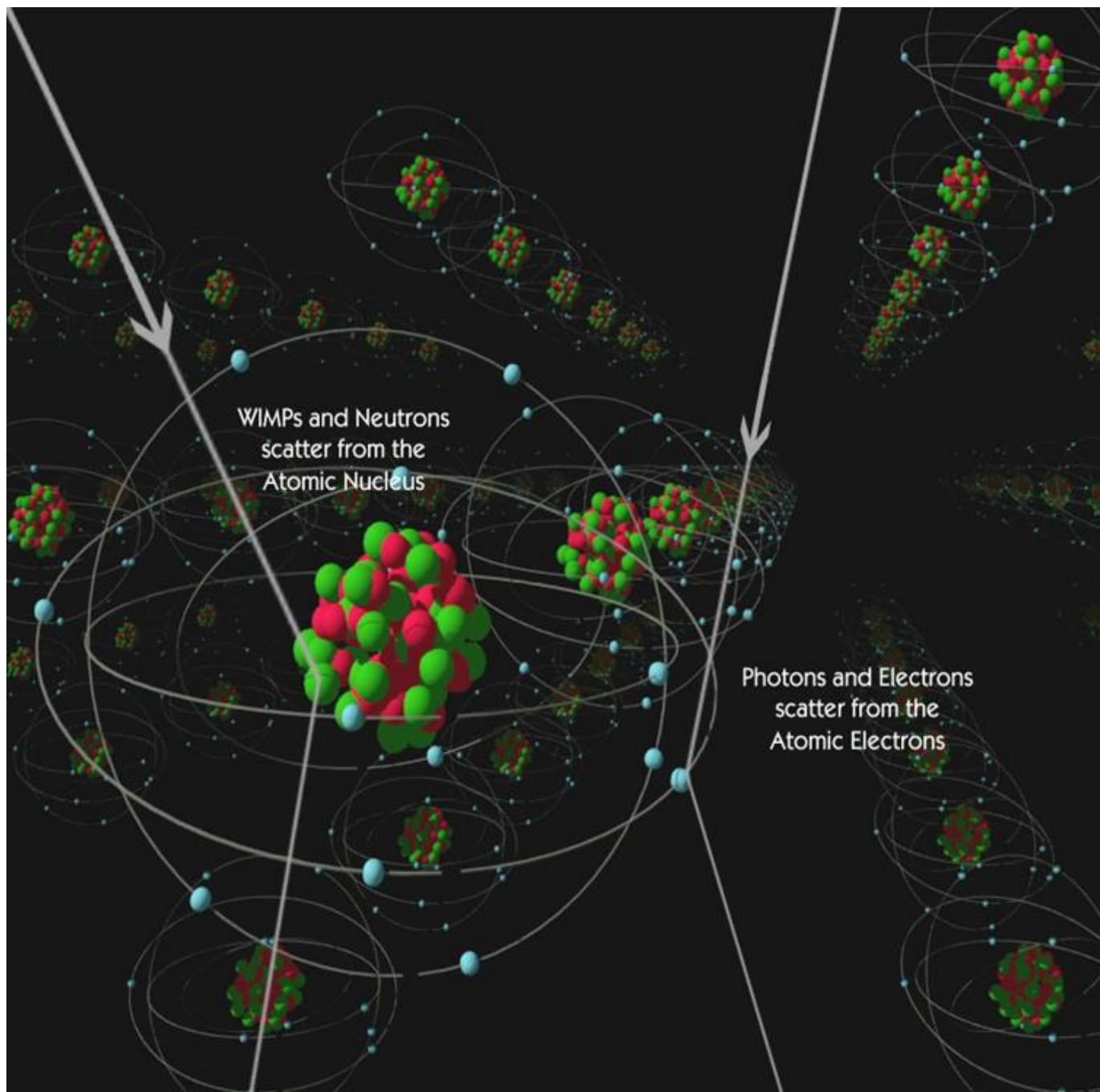
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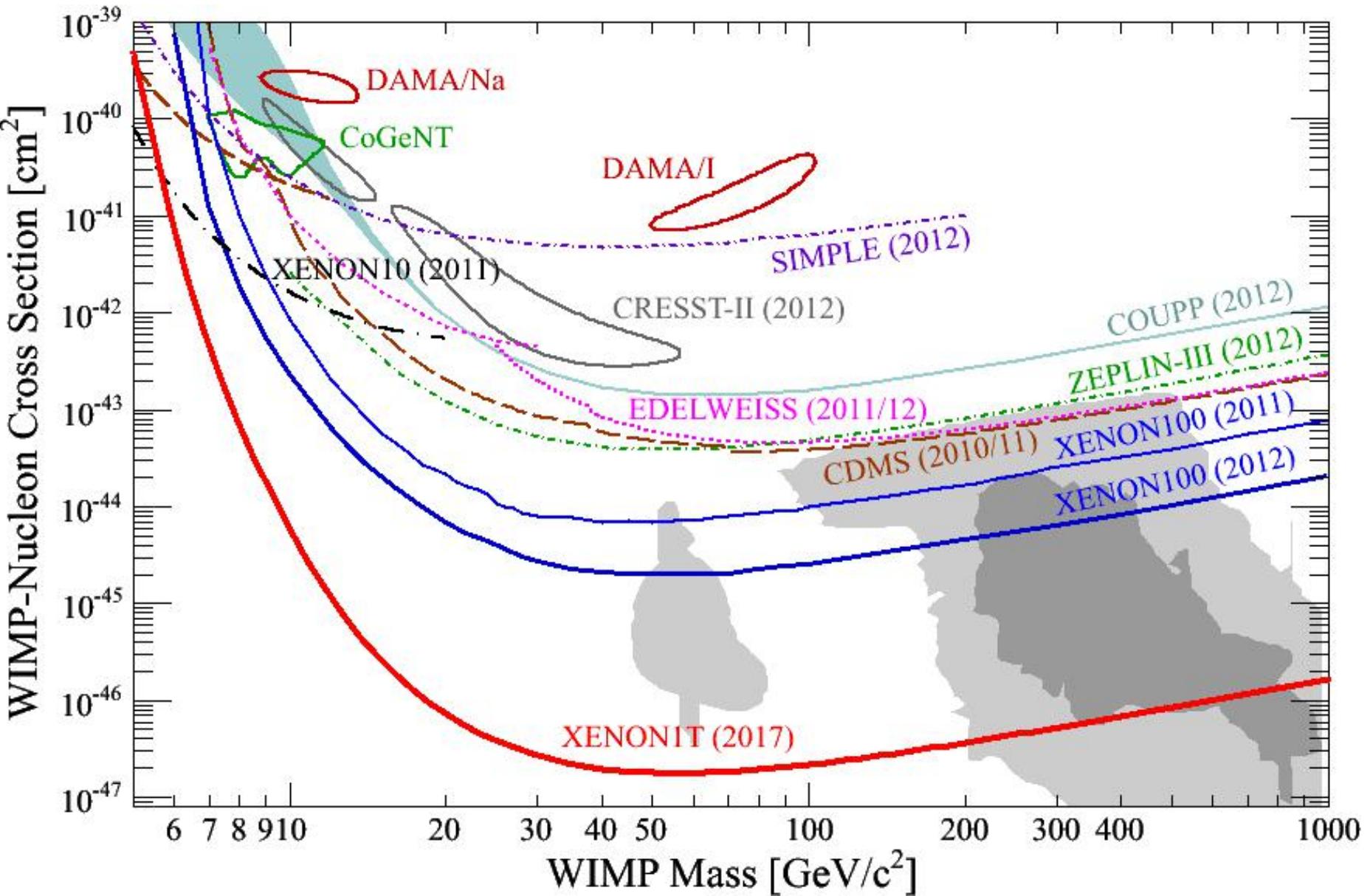


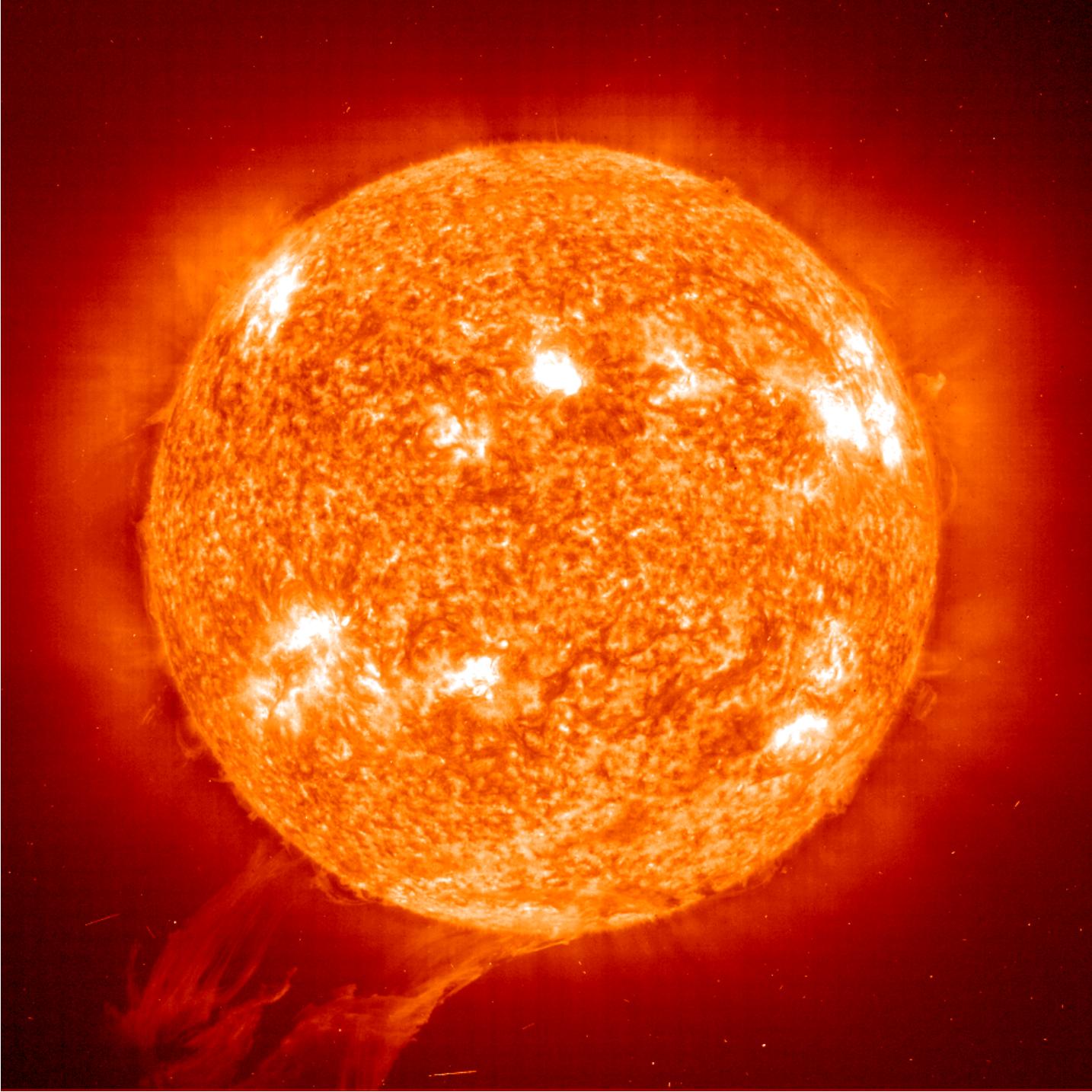
DarkSide



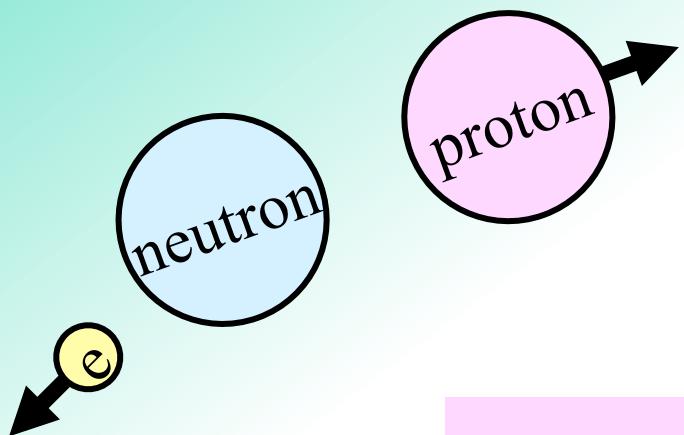








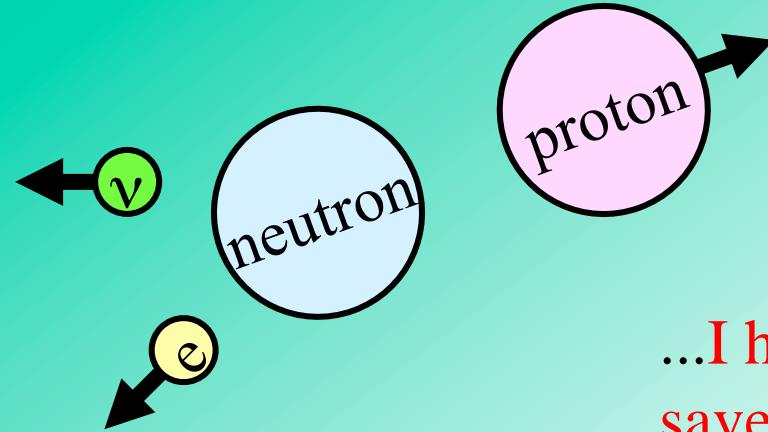
β decay



Non-conservation of
energy???

β decay

December 4, 1930



Dear radioactive ladies and gentlemen,

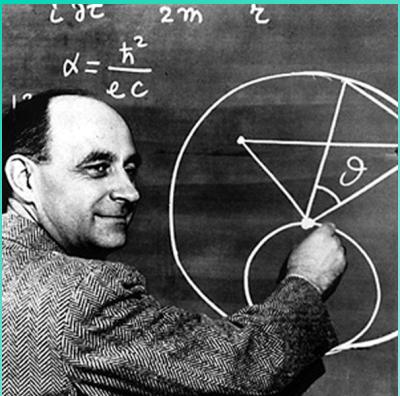
...I have hit upon a ‘desperate remedy’ to save...the law of conservation of energy. Namely the possibility that there exists in the nuclei electrically neutral particles, that I call neutrons...I agree that my remedy could seem incredible...but **only the one who dare can win...**



Unfortunately I cannot appear in person, since I am indispensable at a ball here in Zurich.

Your humble servant
W. Pauli

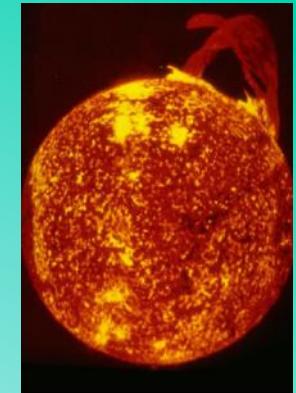
Neutrino Facts



Neutrino
from Enrico
Fermi
for “Little
neutral one”

ν flux on Earth
from Sun

$$6.5 \times 10^{14} / (\text{m}^2 \text{ s})$$



$$\langle E \rangle \sim 0.3 \text{ MeV}$$



Neutrino from
sun will pass
through 5 LY of
solid lead, with
50% chance of
interacting

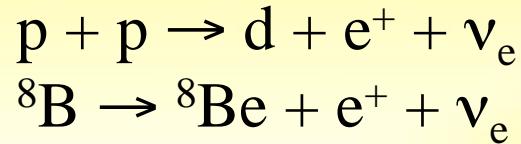
Average number
of solar neutrinos
interacting in a
person per year

$\leq 30!$
 ≤ 1 with ‘real
energy’

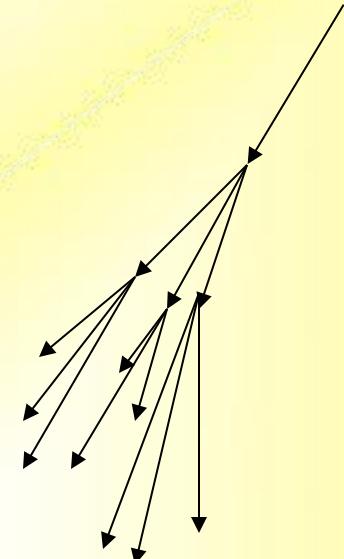




Sun:



$$2 \times 10^{38} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

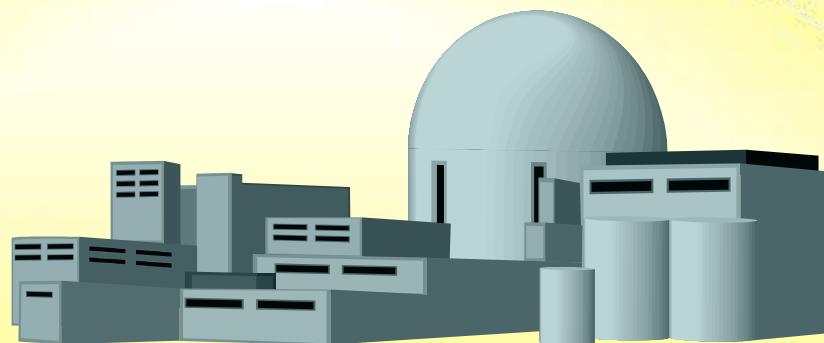


Uranium & Thorium
from Earth crust

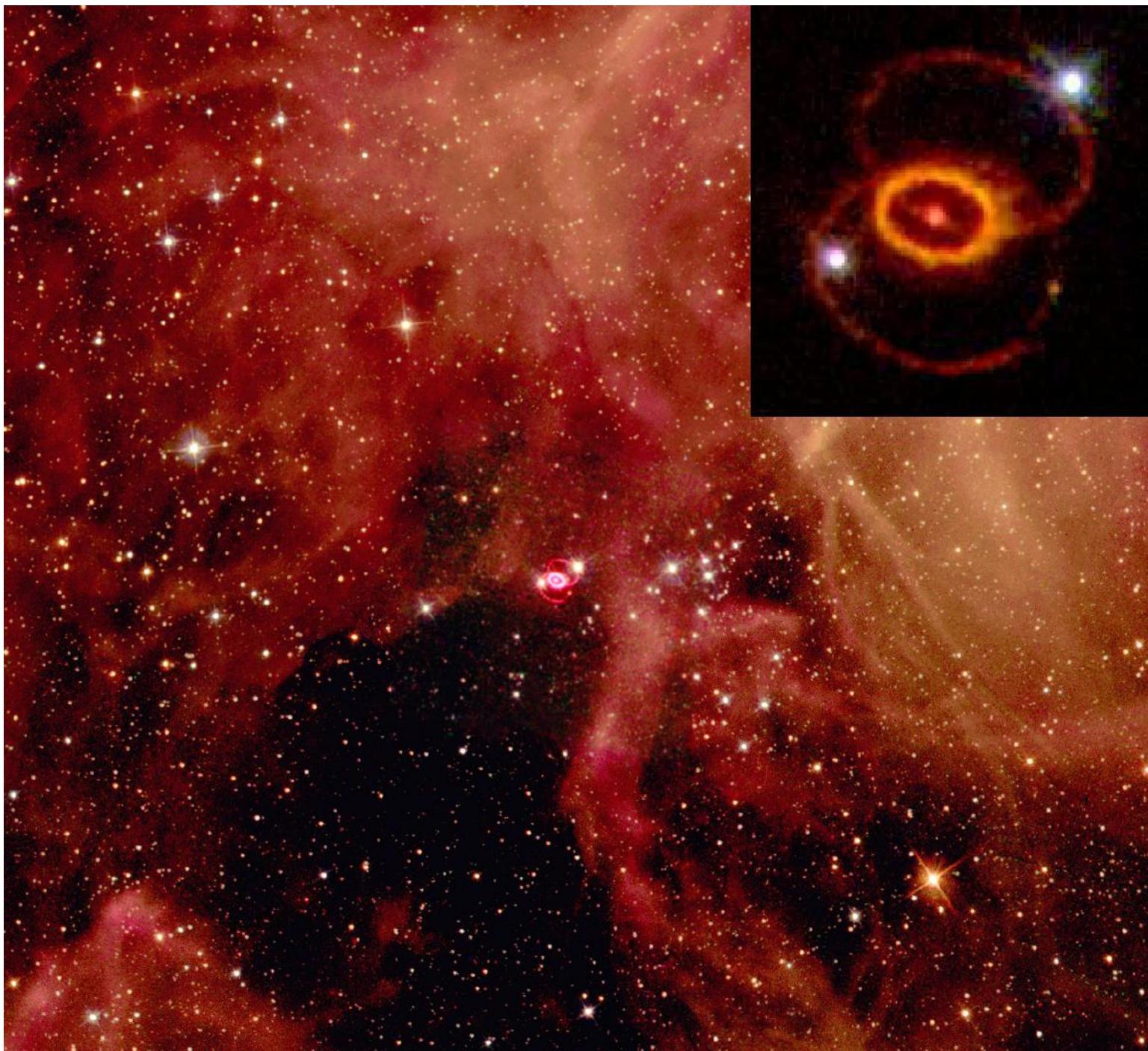
$$\sim 5 \times 10^{10} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$$

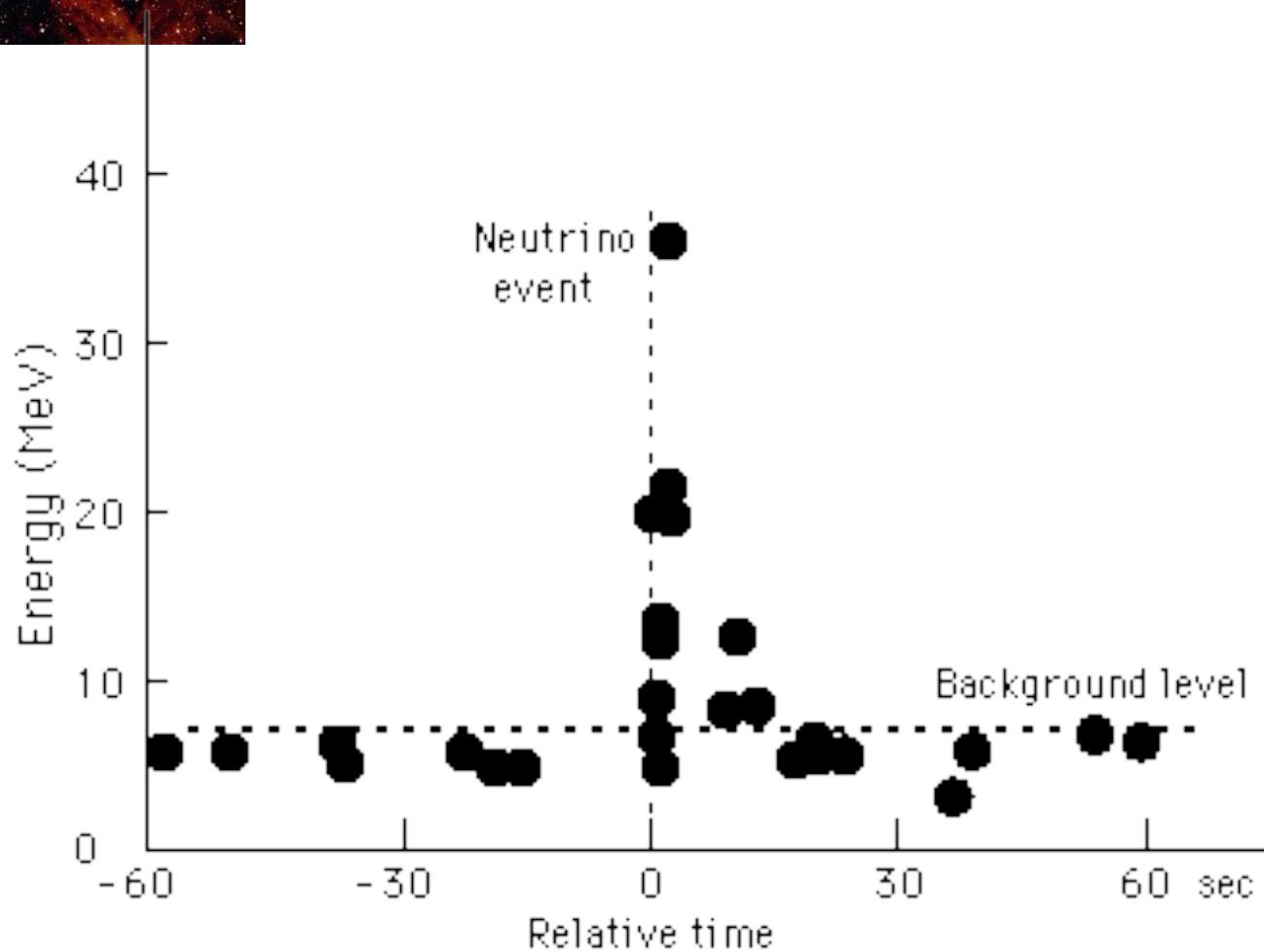
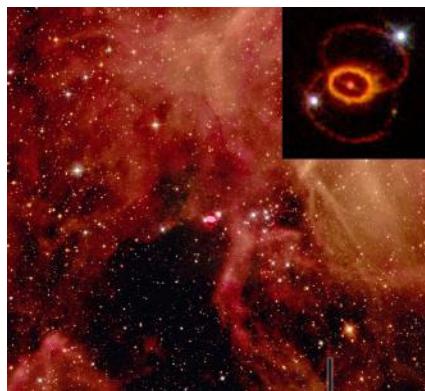
Neutrino sources

Nuclear power reactors
 $\sim 10^{20} \text{ s}^{-1}$

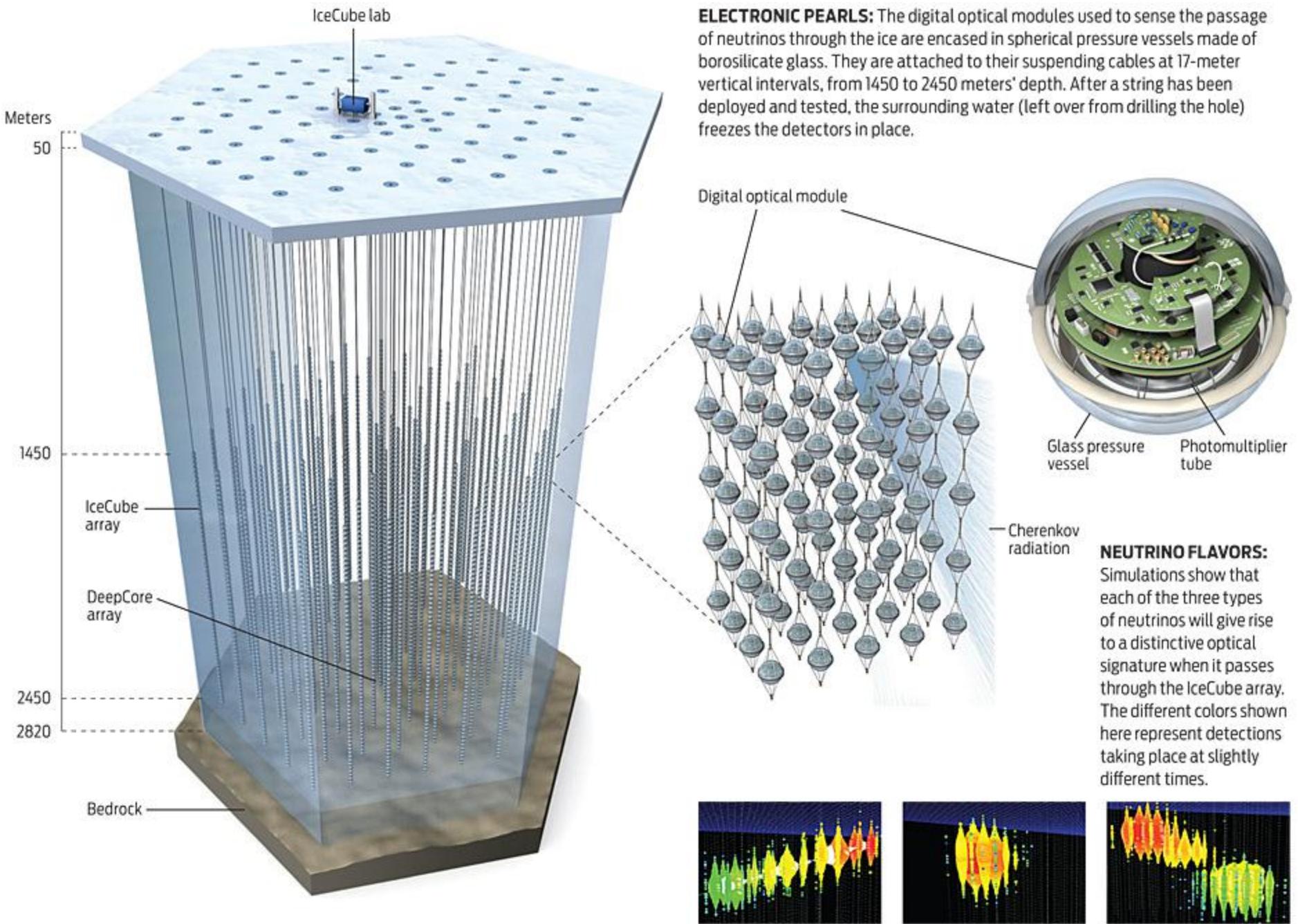


Cosmic Rays
 $\sim 100 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

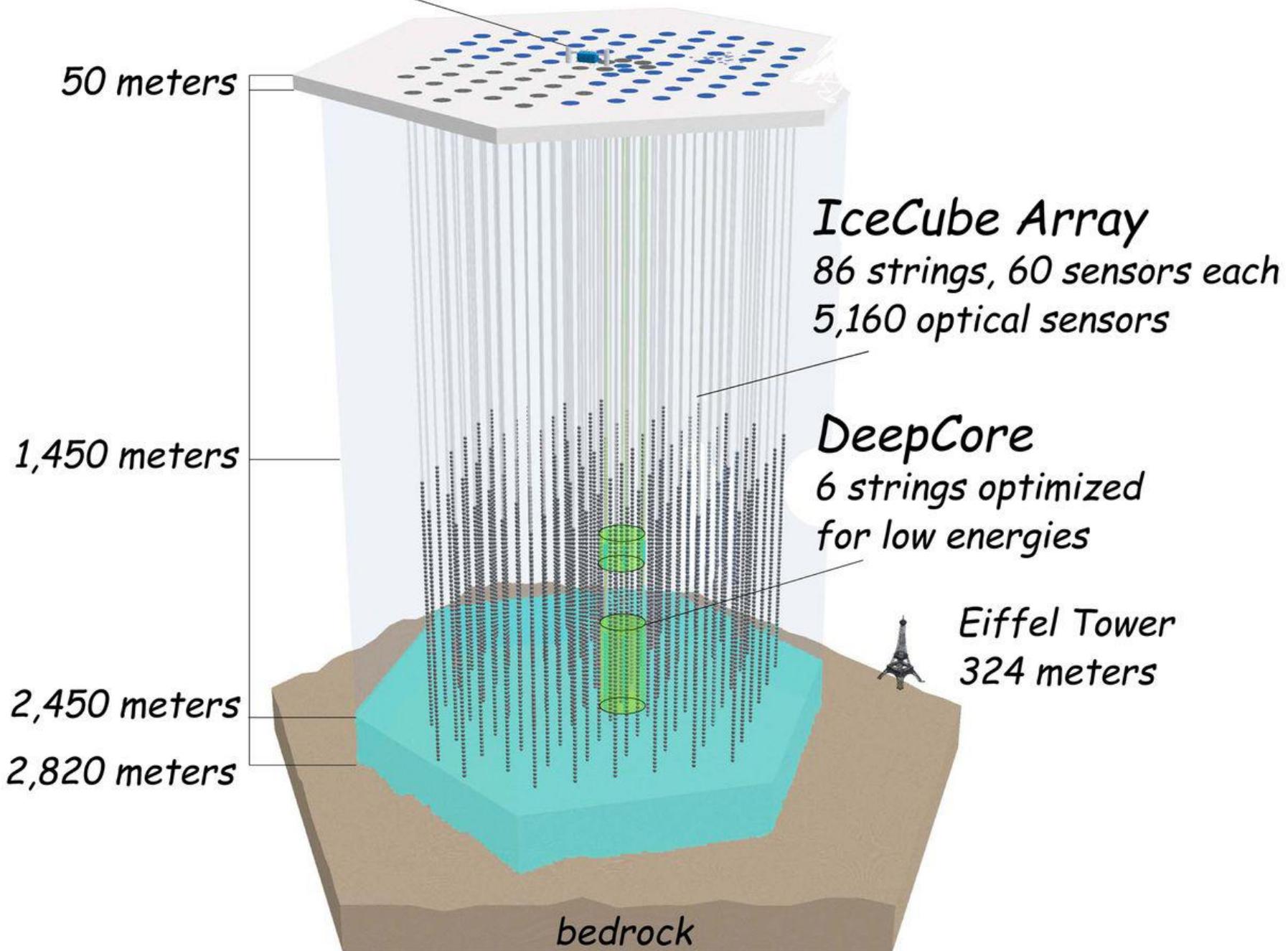




**Ice Cube, the “eye” inside
Ice at South Pole to
measure neutrinos
 (“underground”)**



IceCube Lab













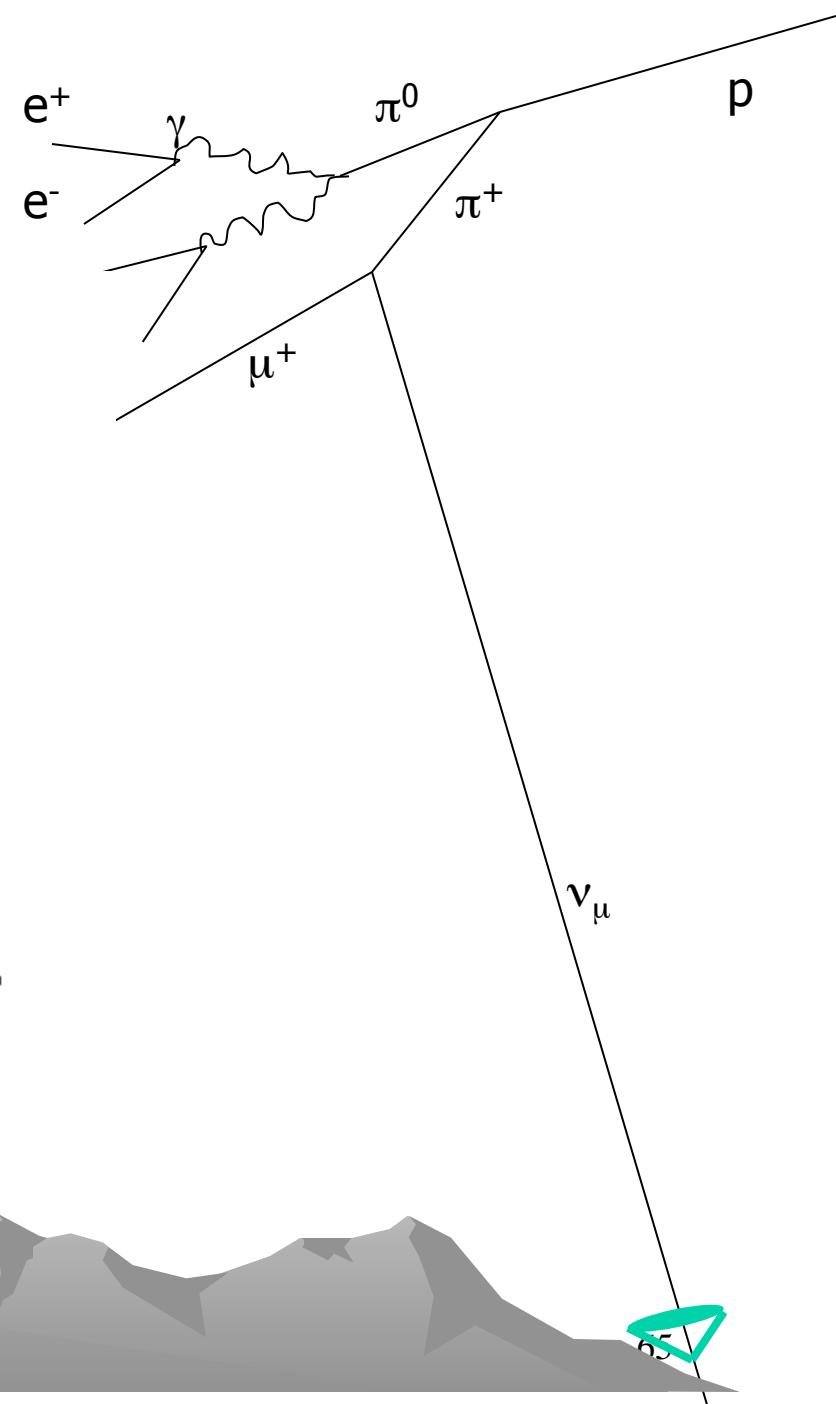
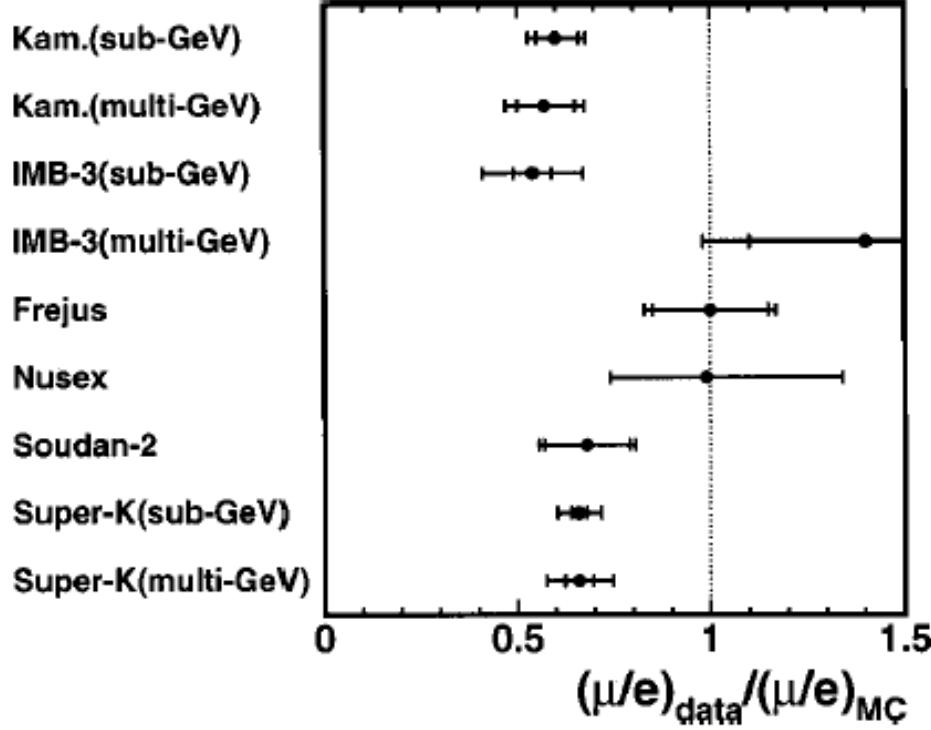
Neutrino masses

One of the most fascinating mysteries of Modern Physics

Was believed to be zero!

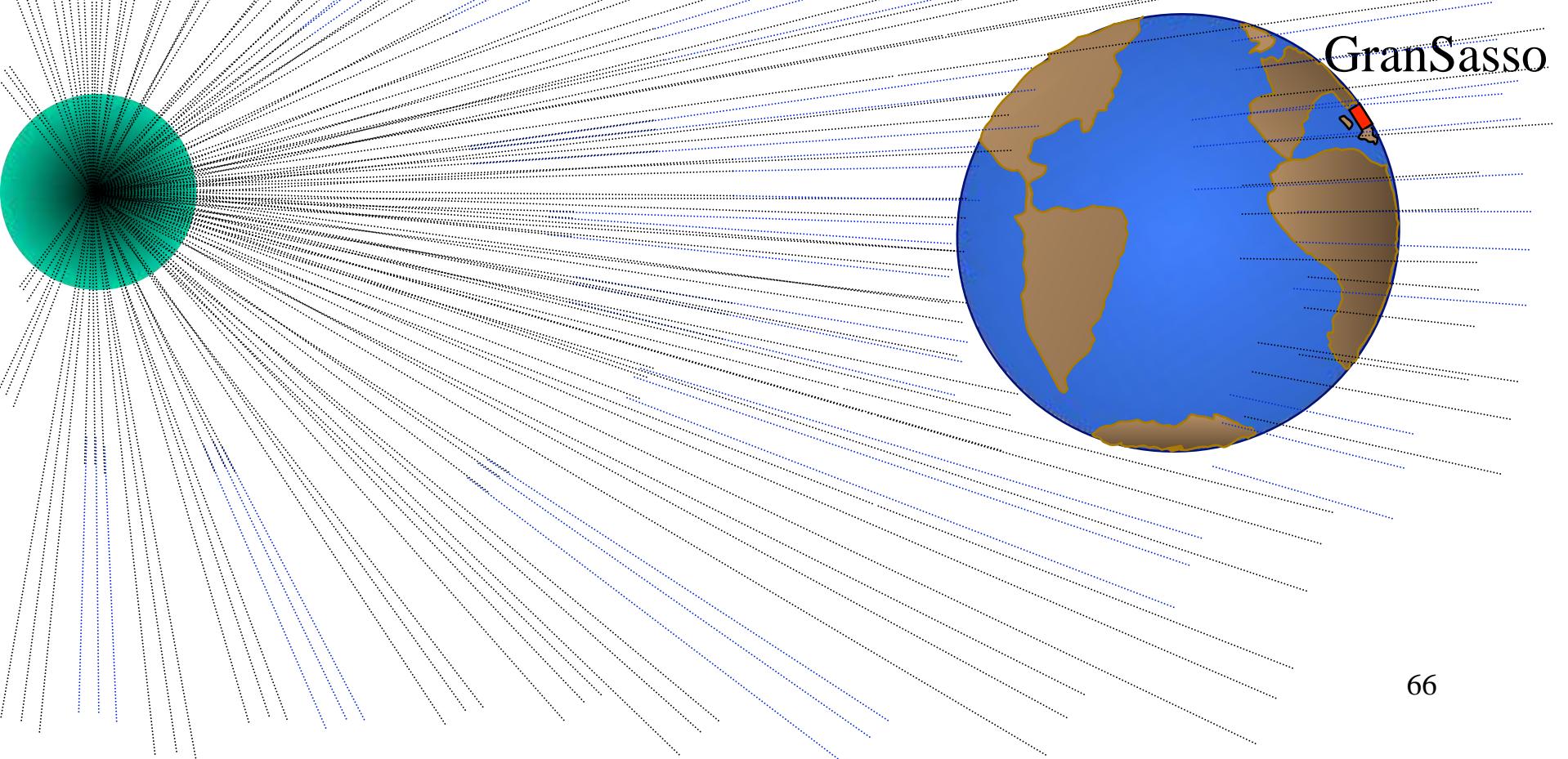
Presently we know they are not zero, but we do not know how small they are!

Neutrinos produced in atmosphere

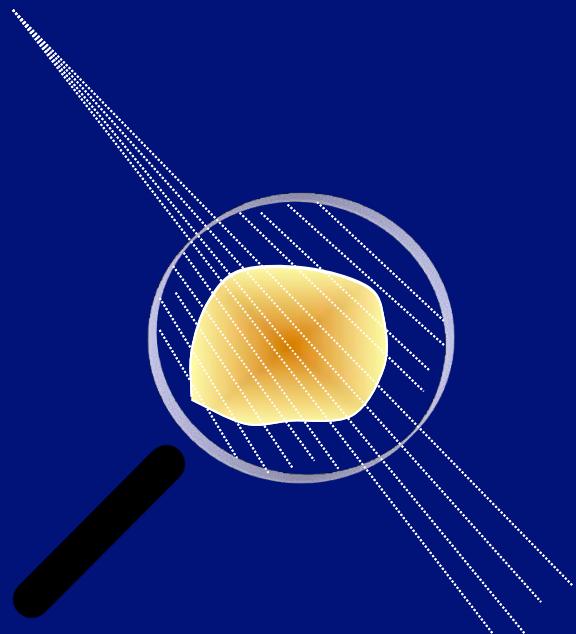
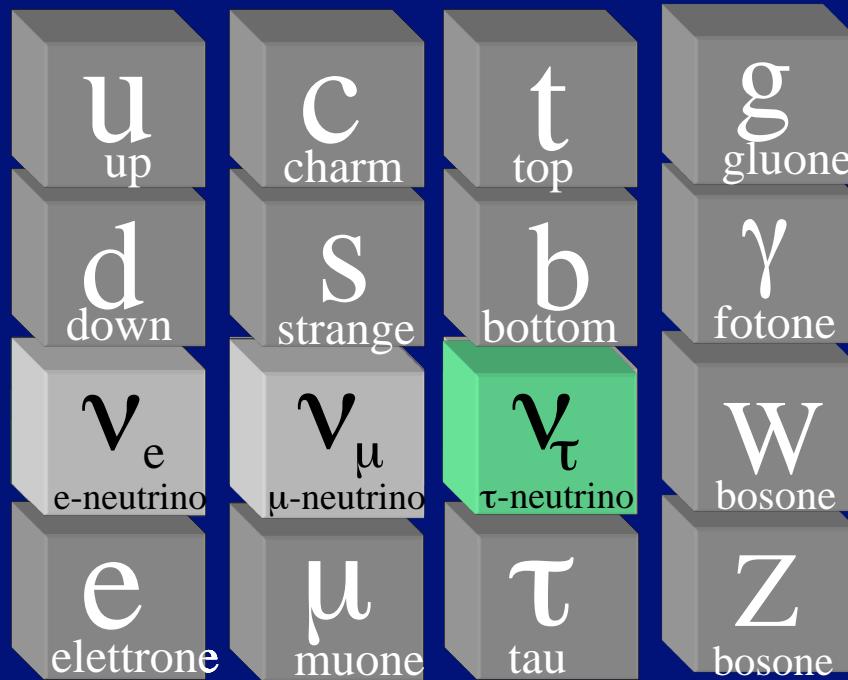


Crisis lasted about... 20 anni!

Neutrino Oscillations



Neutrinos oscillations



Milioni di neutrini al secondo attraverso un granello di sabbia

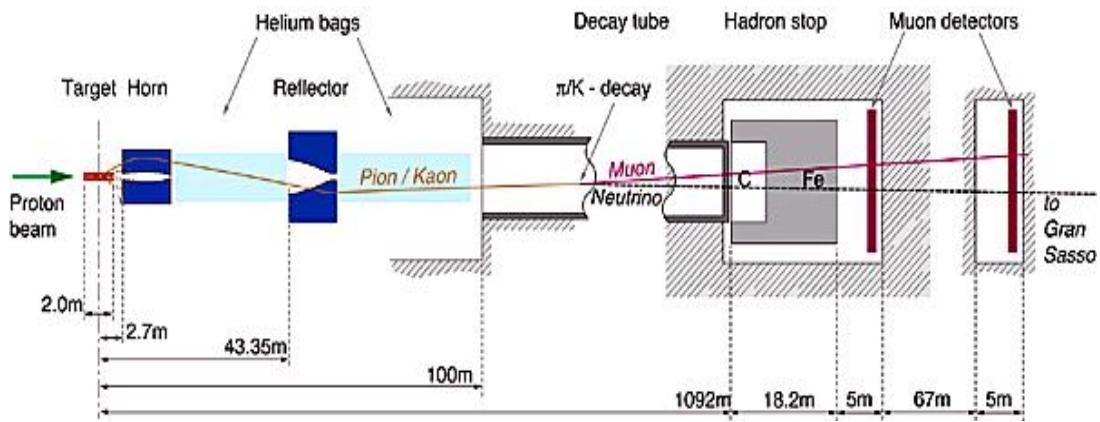
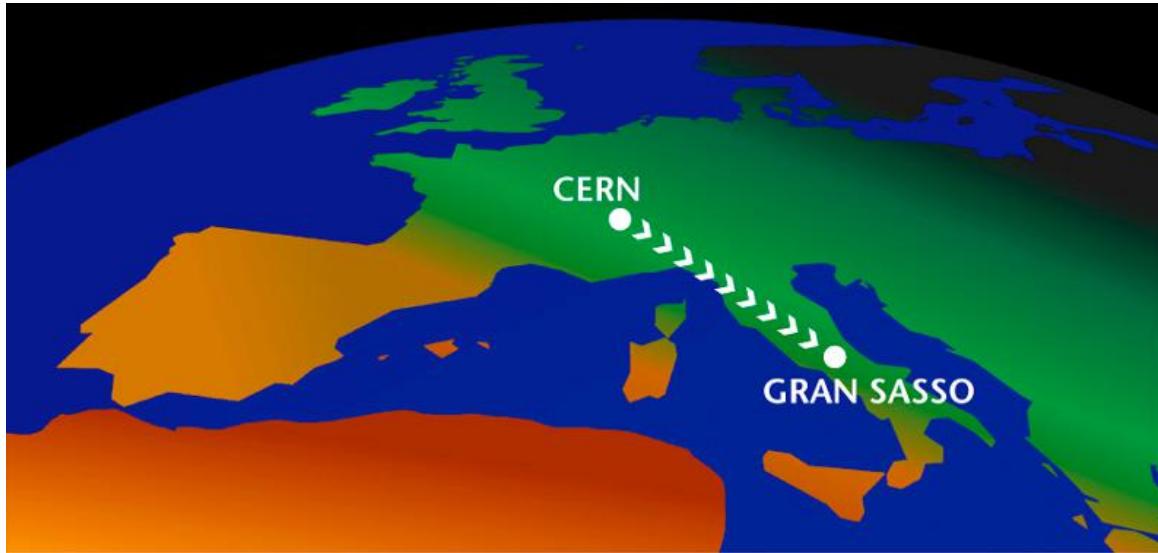
The most direct test:

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\tau) \approx \cos^4 \vartheta_{13} \sin^2 2\vartheta_{23} \sin^2 [1.27 \Delta m^2_{23} L(\text{km})/E(\text{GeV})]$$

LNGS

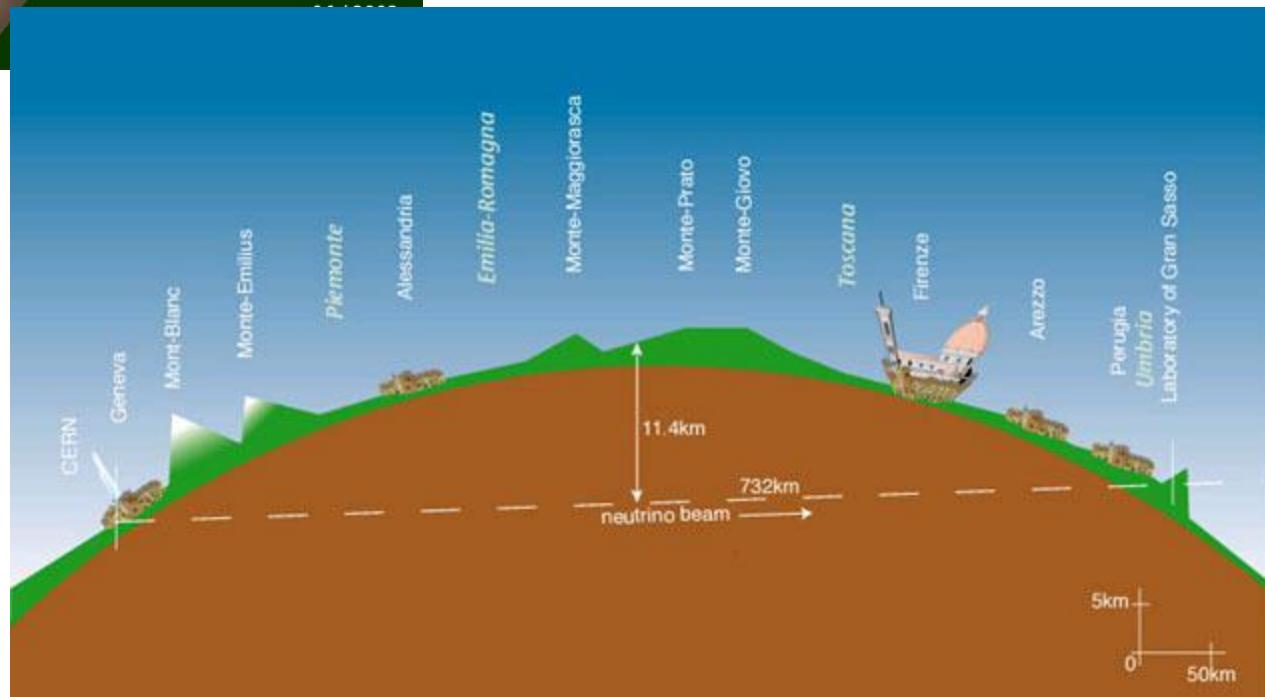
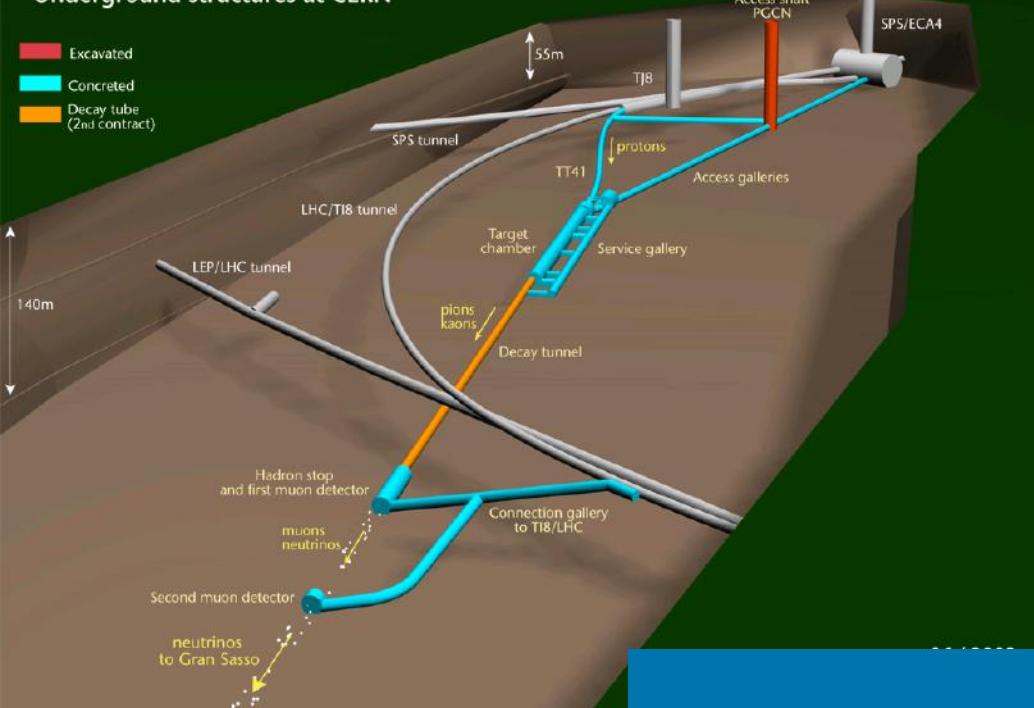


Cern Neutrinos to Gran Sasso (CNGS)



CERN NEUTRINOS TO GRAN SASSO

Underground structures at CERN



OPERA experiment

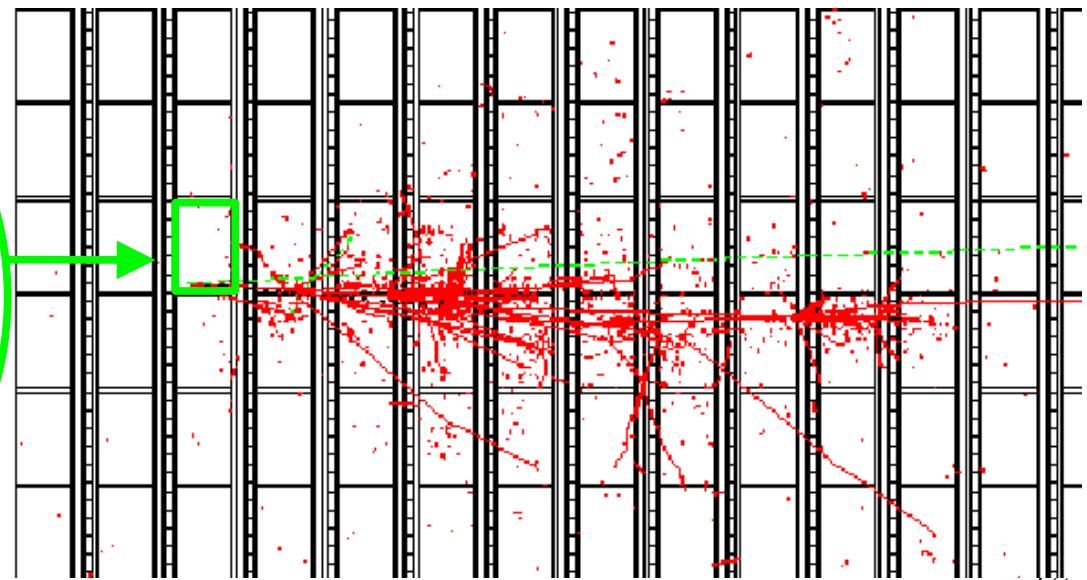
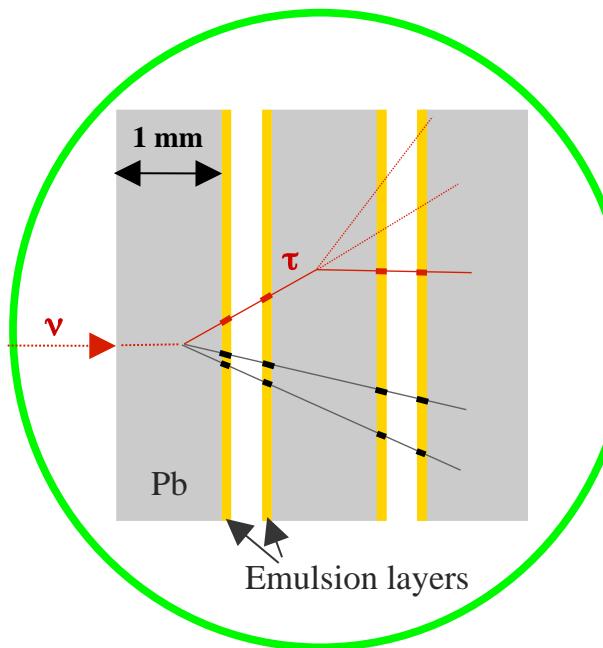
OPERA ha scelto il canale più diretto e pulito per dimostrare
l'oscillazione $\nu_\mu \Rightarrow \nu_\tau$
il prezzo da pagare:

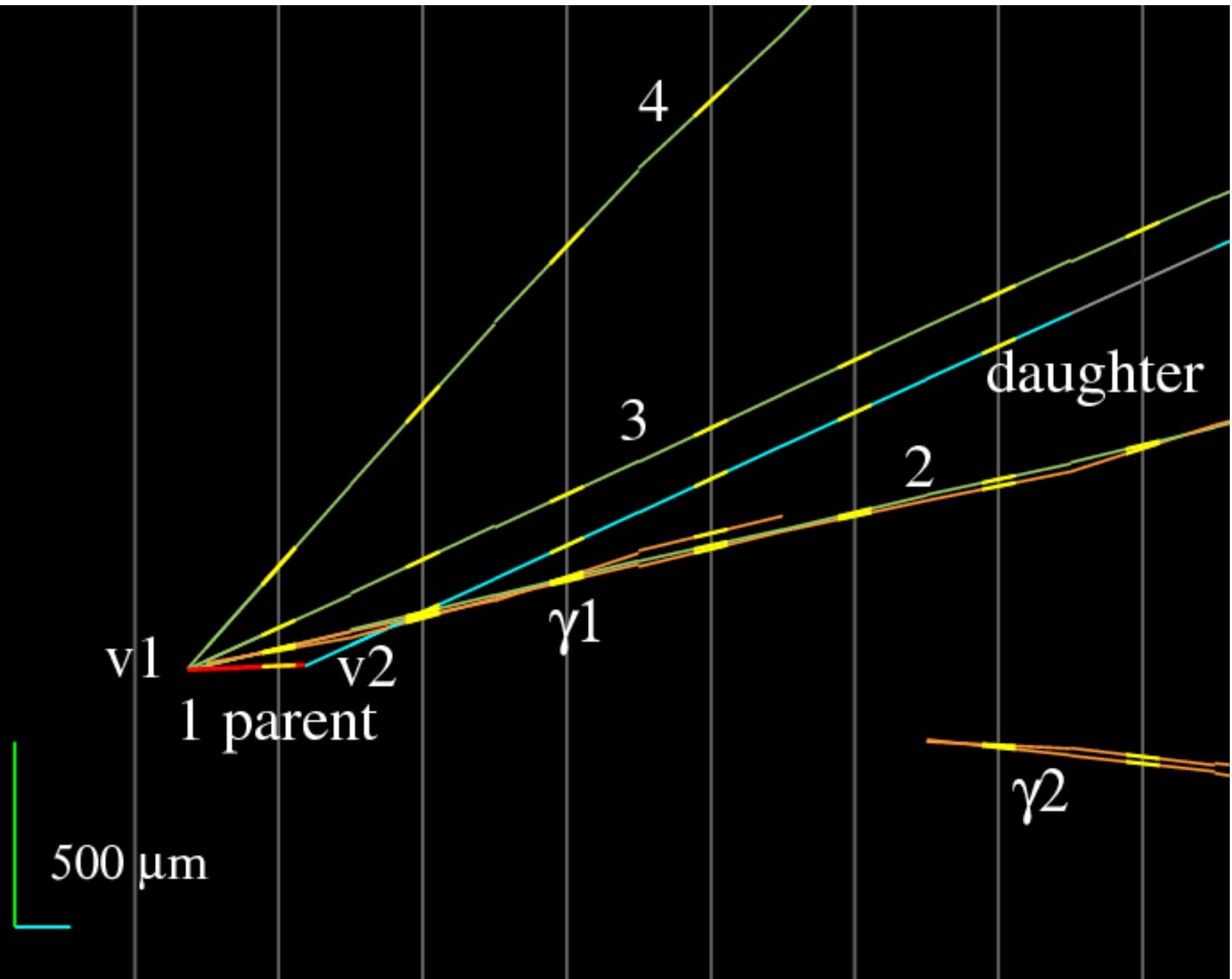
ν oscillation \rightarrow masse enormi

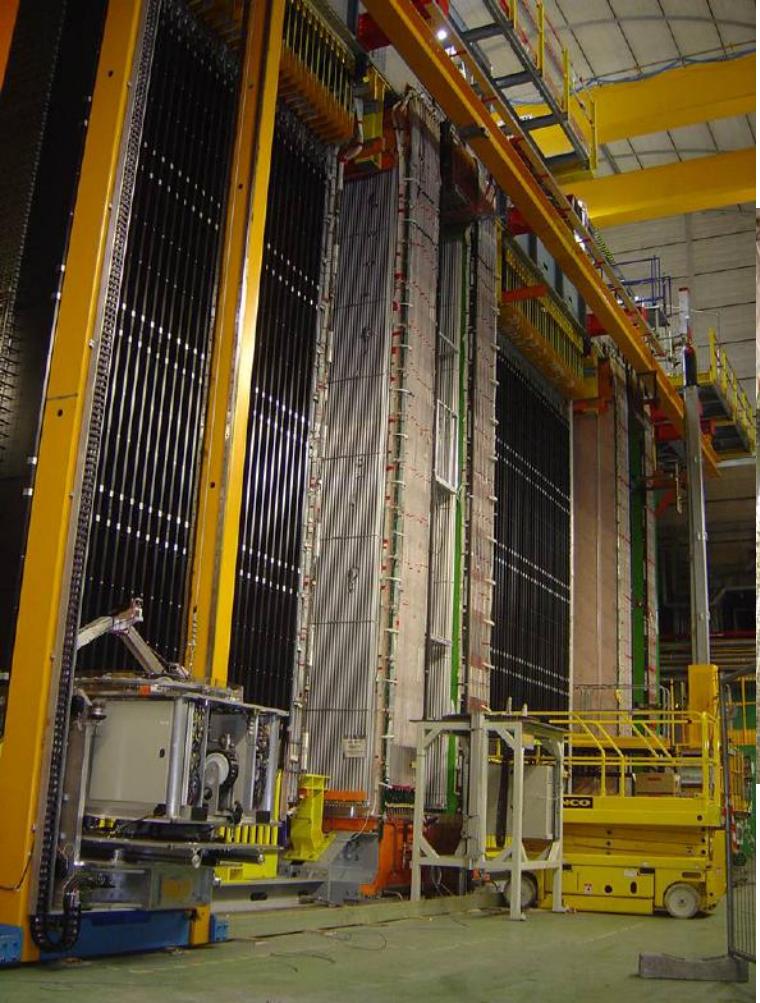
AND

τ decay \rightarrow risoluzioni al μm

Lead – nuclear emulsion sandwich



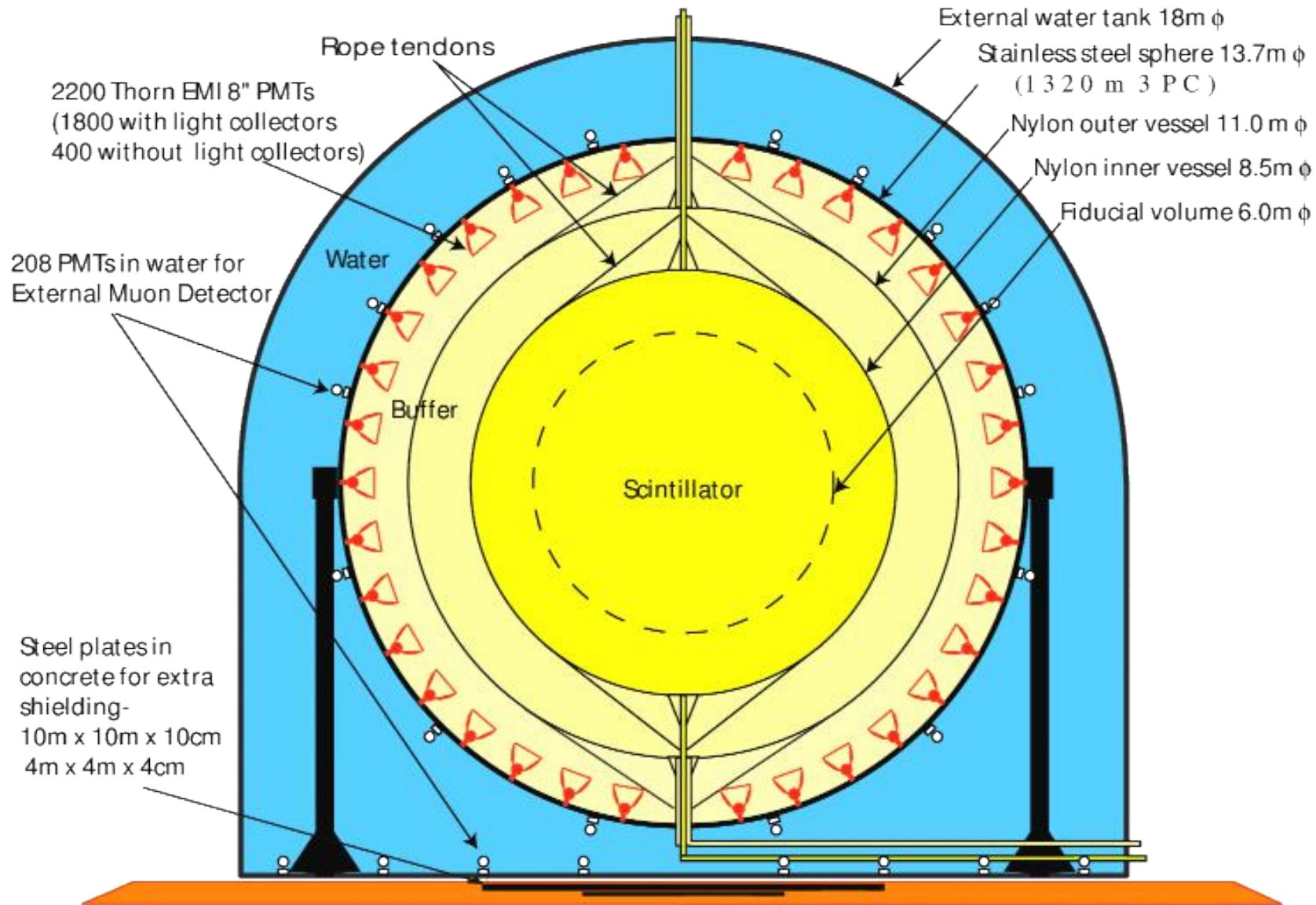


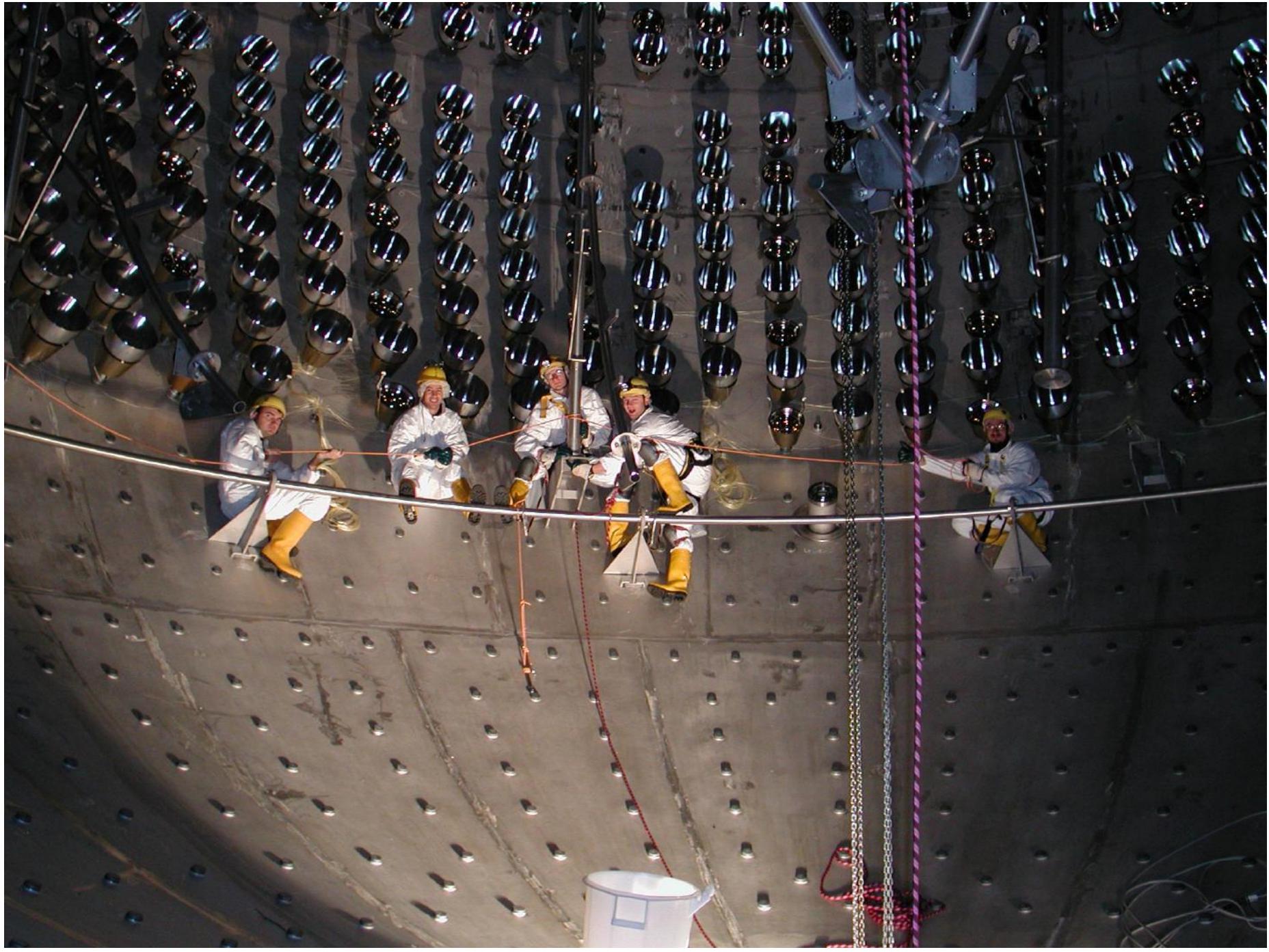


BOREXINO at LNGS



Borexino Experiment





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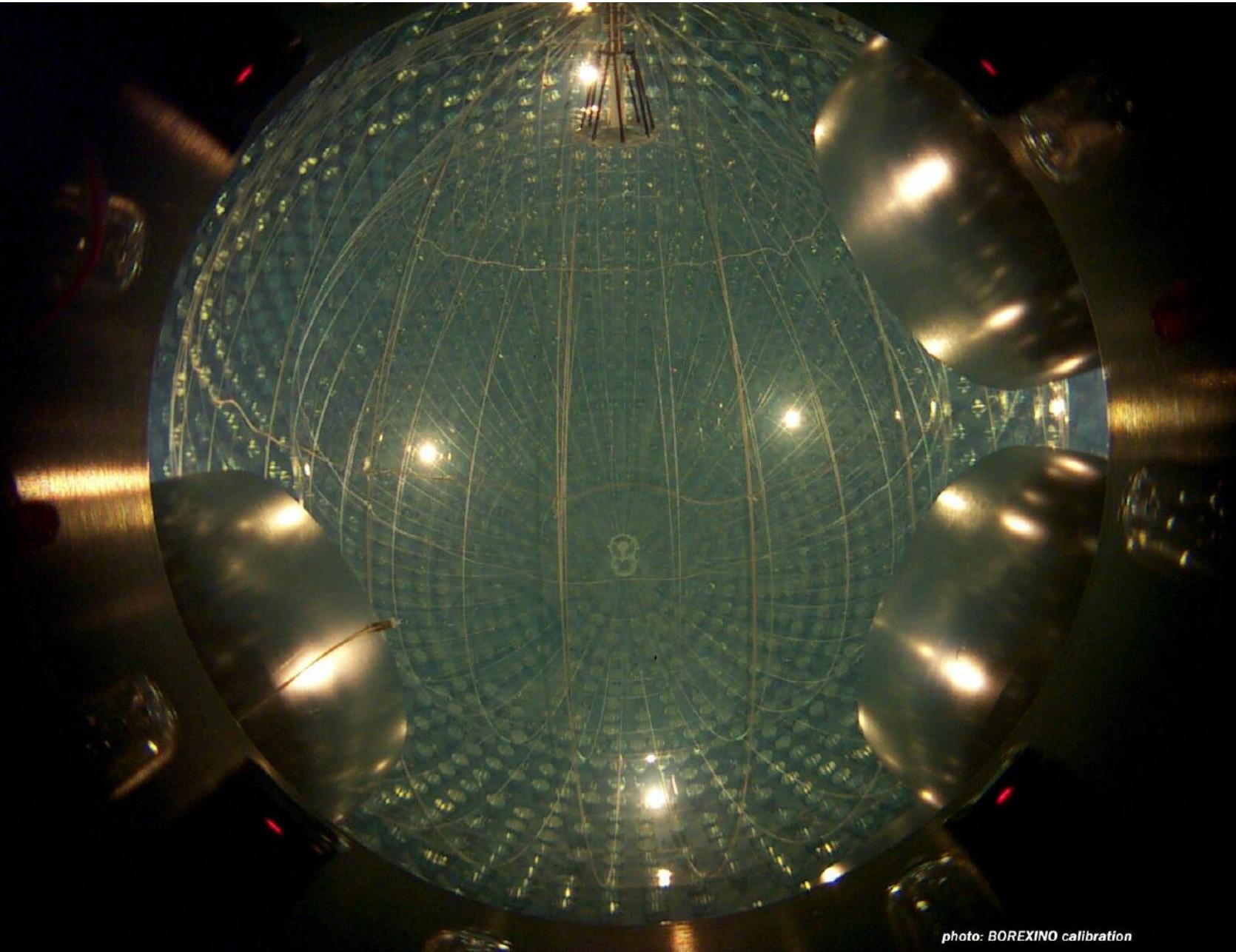
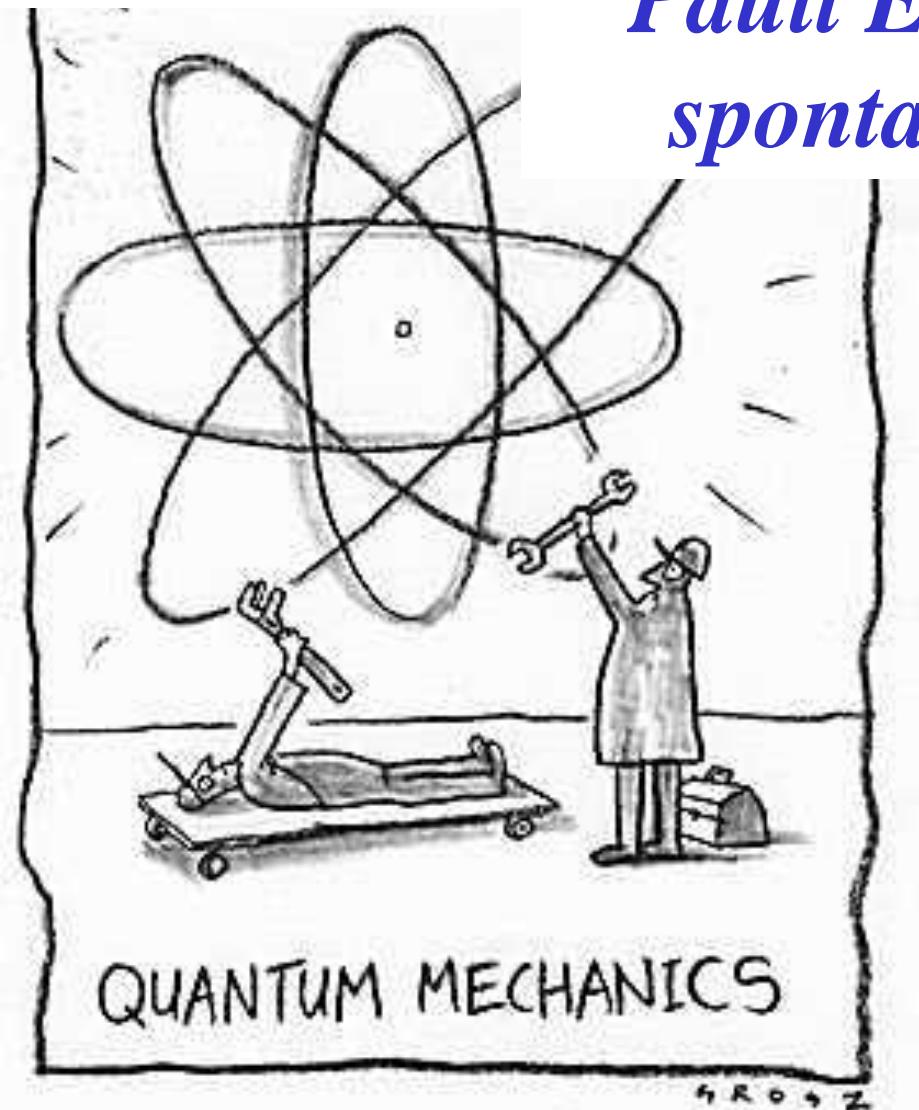


photo: BOREXINO calibration

Experimental tests of quantum mechanics

Pauli Exclusion Principle and spontaneous collapse models



PEP lacks a clear, intuitive explanation

... Already in my original paper I stressed the circumstance that I was unable to give a logical reason for the exclusion principle or to deduce it from more general assumptions.

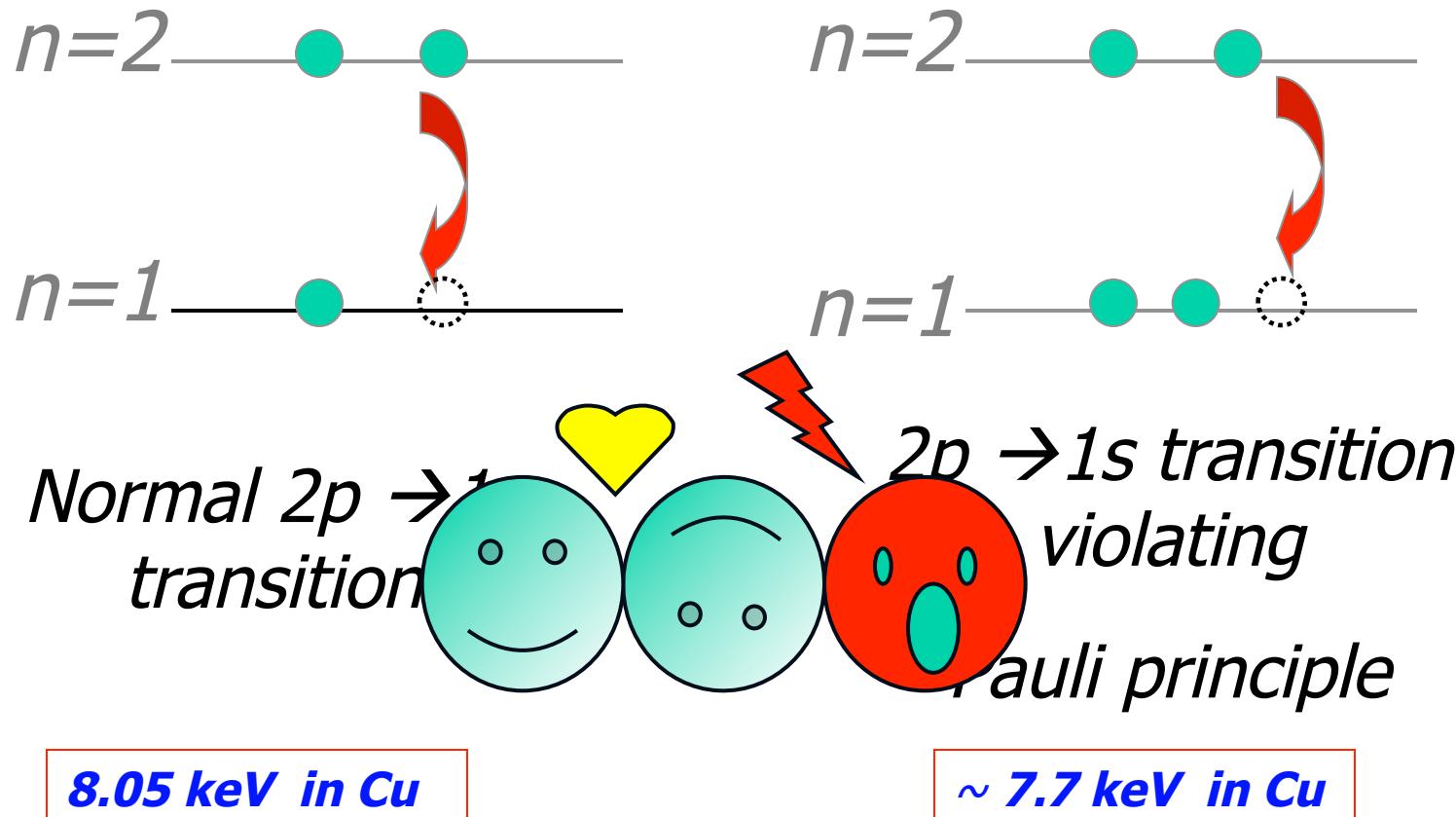
I had always the feeling and I still have it today, that this is a deficiency.

... *The impression that the shadow of some incompleteness [falls] here on the bright light of success of the new quantum mechanics seems to me unavoidable.*



Experimental method

Search for anomalous X-ray transitions



Goal of VIP

The VIP experiment has the scientific goal of reducing by four orders of magnitude the limits on the probability of a possible violations of the Pauli exclusion principle for the electrons

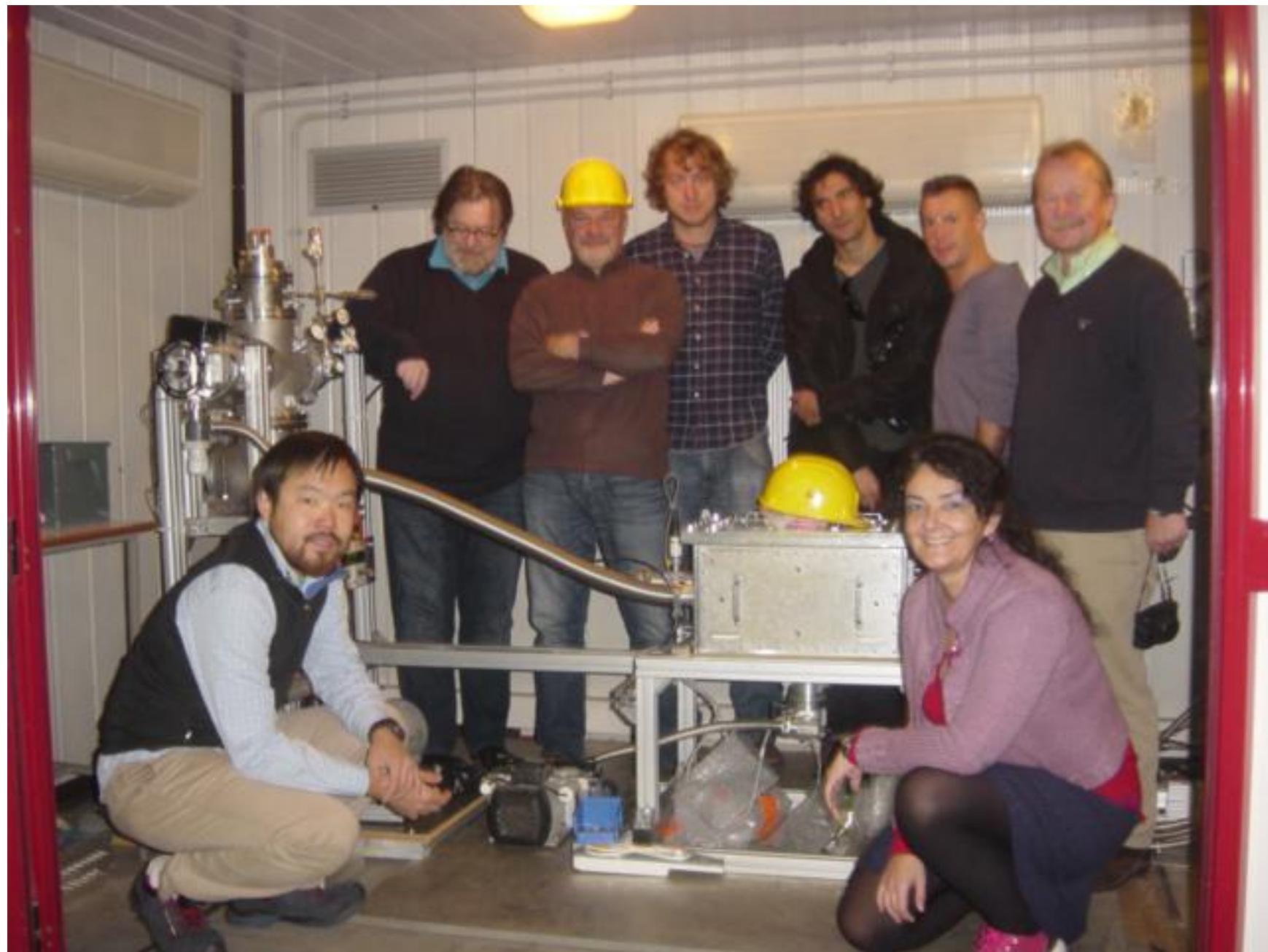
From:

$$\beta^2 / 2 \leq 1.7 \cdot 10^{-26} (> 95\% \text{ C.L.})$$

(Ramberg & Snow -1990)

to

$$\beta^2 / 2 \leq 10^{-30}$$



Movie

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\text{alive}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\text{dead}\rangle$$



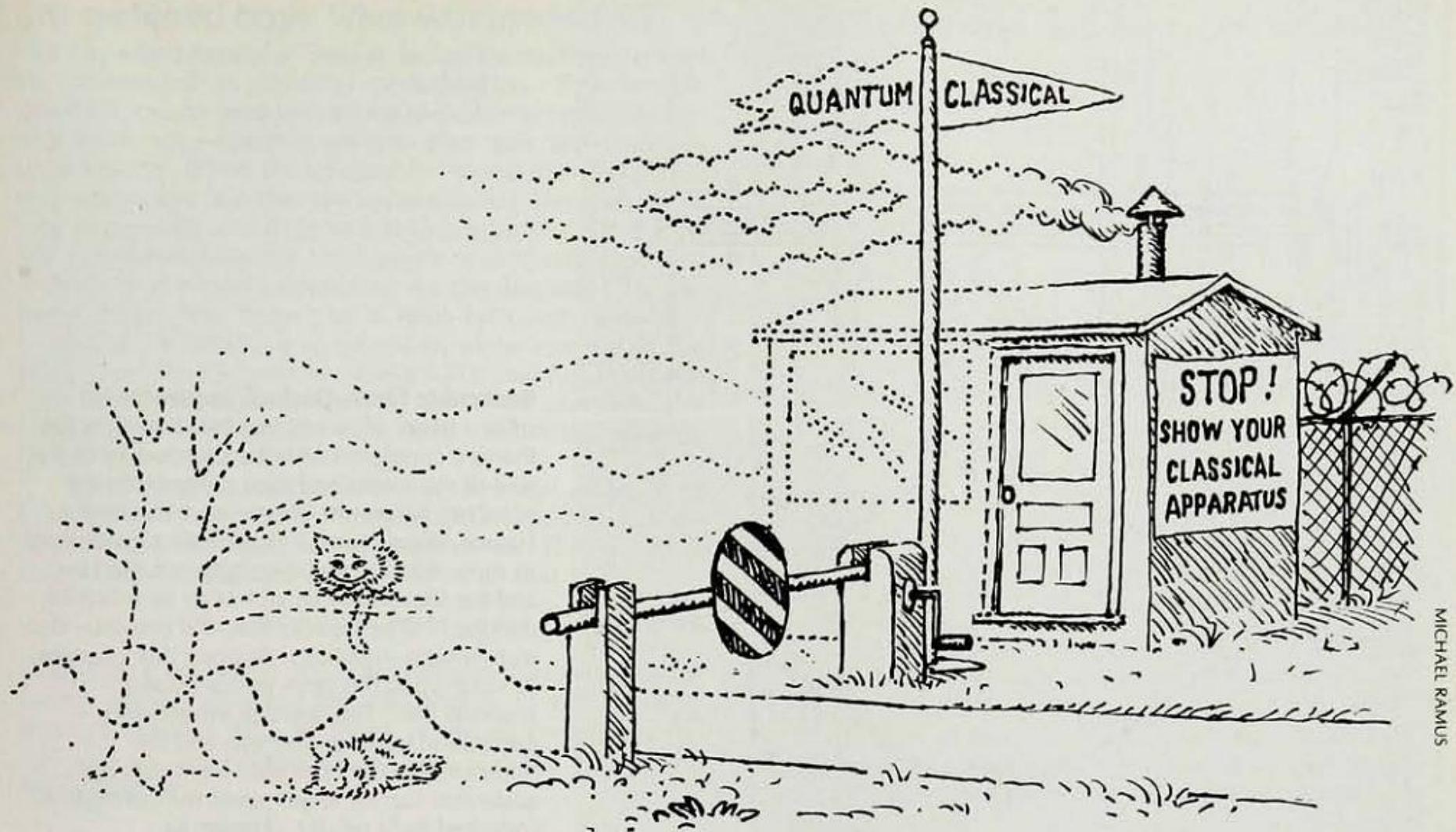
SCHRÖDINGER'S CAT
Experiment #001

RESULTS

DEAD

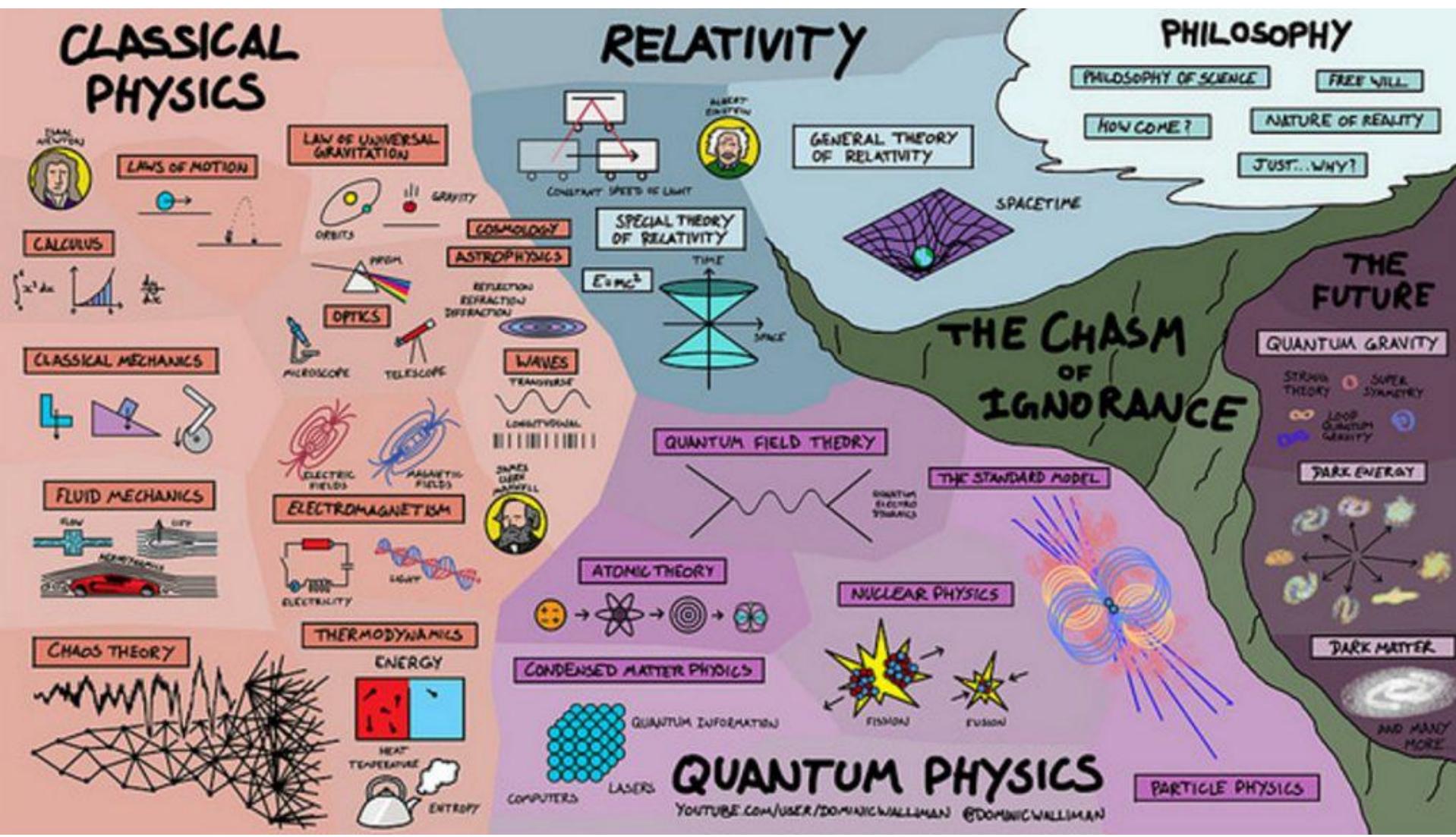
ALIVE

Both



Drawing by Michael Ramus, 1991.
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