

Macroscopic Dark Matter

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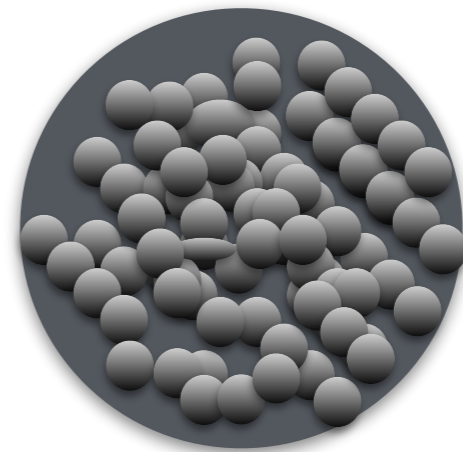
Macroscopic Ordinary Matter

- ❖ For ordinary matter, there are so many different types



Macroscopic Dark Matter

- ❖ **Dark matter could be one type of matter made of dark particles**



- ❖ **Macroscopic dark matter is a composite state and may contain many dark matter particles**
- ❖ **Its mass could be much heavier than the Planck mass scale**
- ❖ **Its detections could be dramatically from ordinary WIMP searches**

Macroscopic Dark Matter

❖ Some recent interests:

- ✱ “Big Bang Darkleosynthesis”, **Krnjaic and Sigurdson, 1406.1171**
- ✱ “Dark Nuclei”, **Detmold, McCullough and Pochinsky, 1406.2276**
- ✱ “Yukawa Bound States of a Large Number of Fermions”, **Wise and Zhang, 1407.4121**
- ✱ “Big Bang Synthesis of Nuclear Dark Matter”, **Hardy et. al, 1411.3739**
- ✱ “Macro Dark Matter”, **Jacob, Starkman and Lynn, 1410.2236**
- ✱ “Early Universe synthesis of asymmetric dark matter nuggets”, **Gresham, Lou and Zurek, 1707.02316**
- ✱ “Detecting Dark Blobs”, **Grabowska, Melia and Rajendran, 1807.03788**

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Quark Nuggets

❖ Can we explain dark matter in the SM?

Cosmic separation of phases

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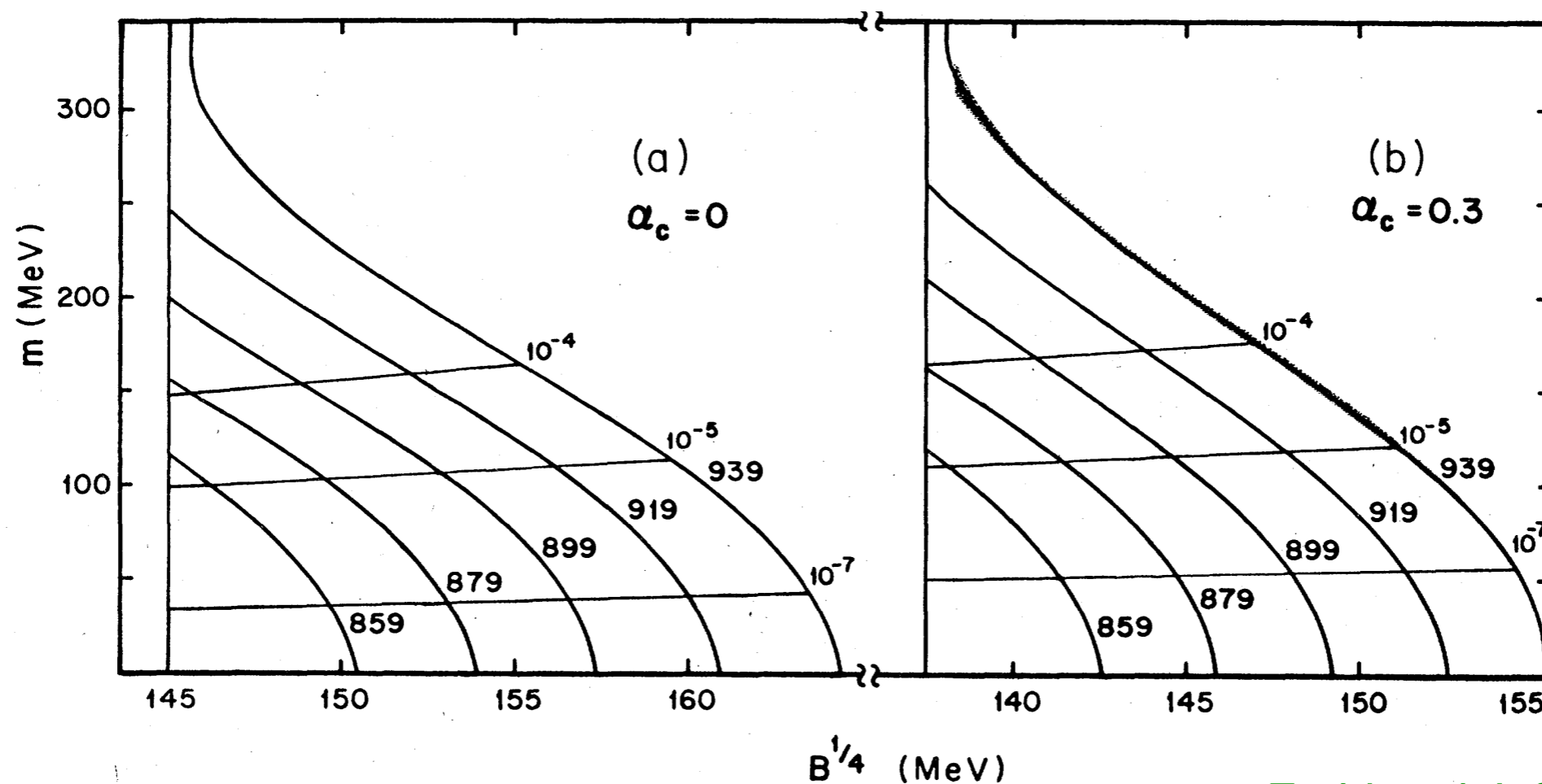
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Hogan, '1983; Farhi and Jaffe, '1984; Alcock and Farhi, '1985; Madsen, Heiselberg, Riisager, '1986; Kajantie and Kurki-Suonio, '1986; Olinto, '1987, '1981; Alcock and Olinto, '1989;

Quark Matter

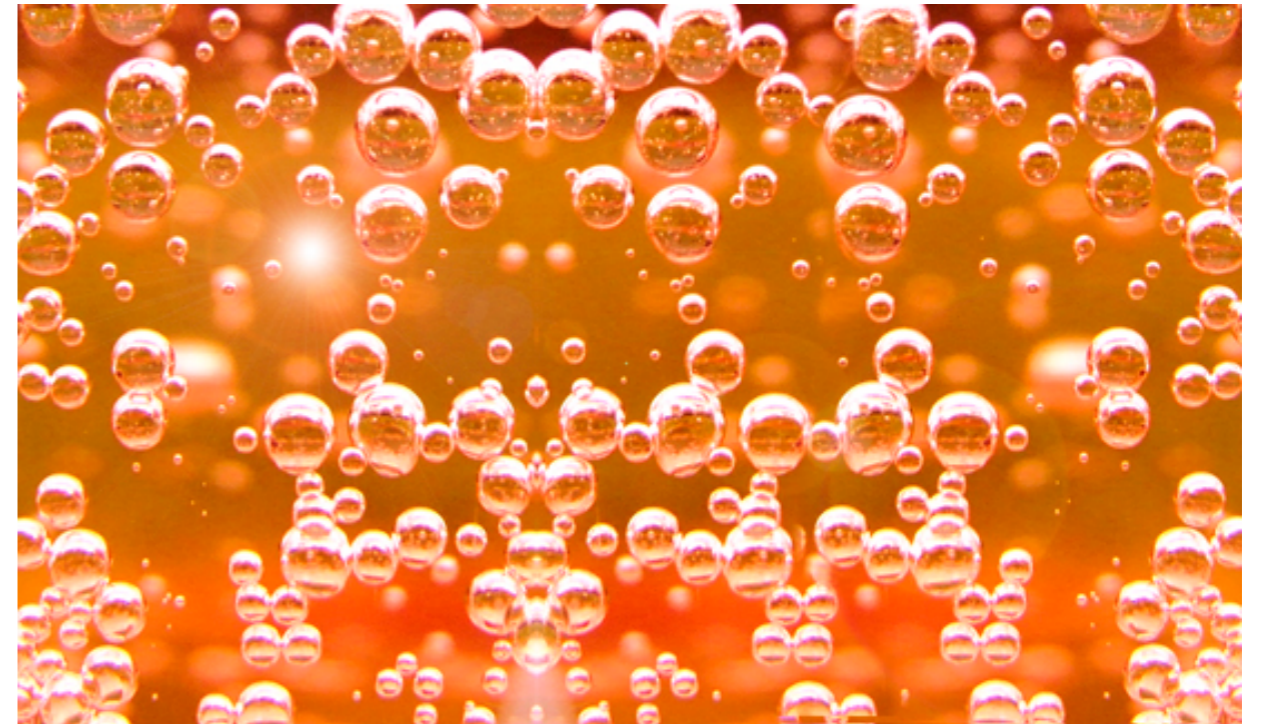
❖ For Iron, the mass/baryon is $\frac{M_{Fe}}{A_{Fe}} \approx 930 \text{ MeV}$

❖ For the quark matter (in QCD deconfined phase), using the degenerate Fermi gas approximation

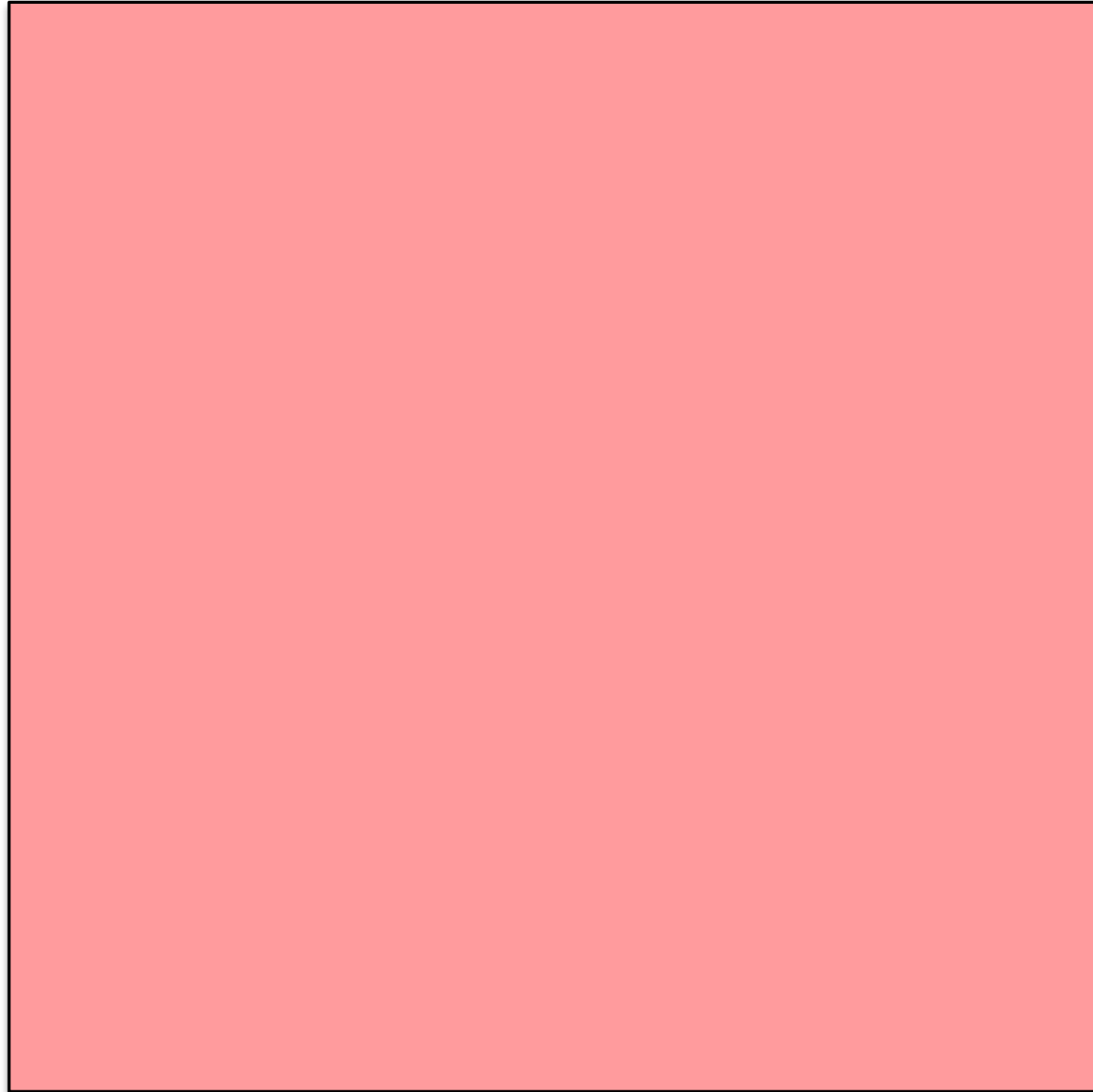


Farhi and Jaffe, '1984

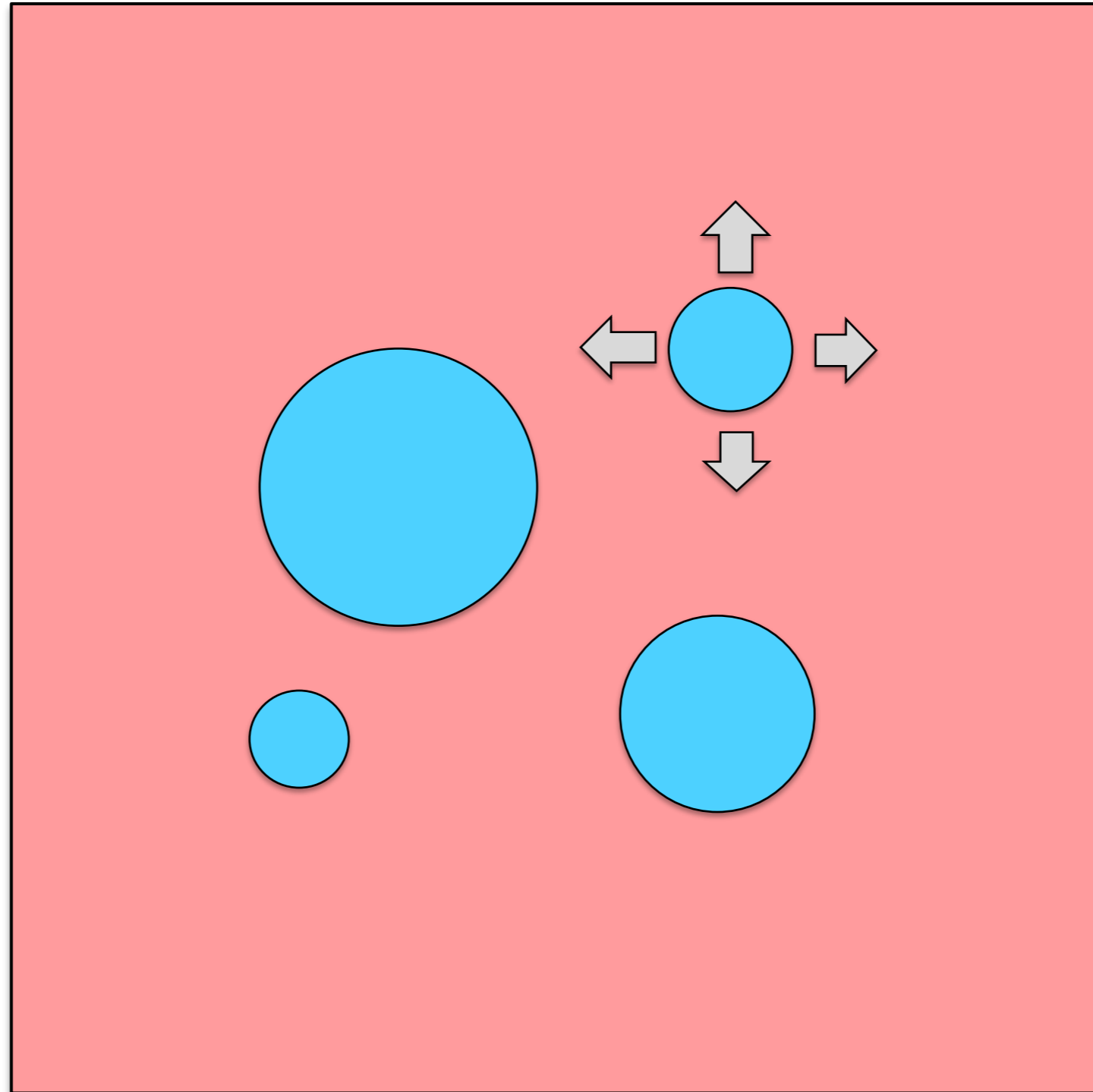
Formation from First-Order Phase Transition



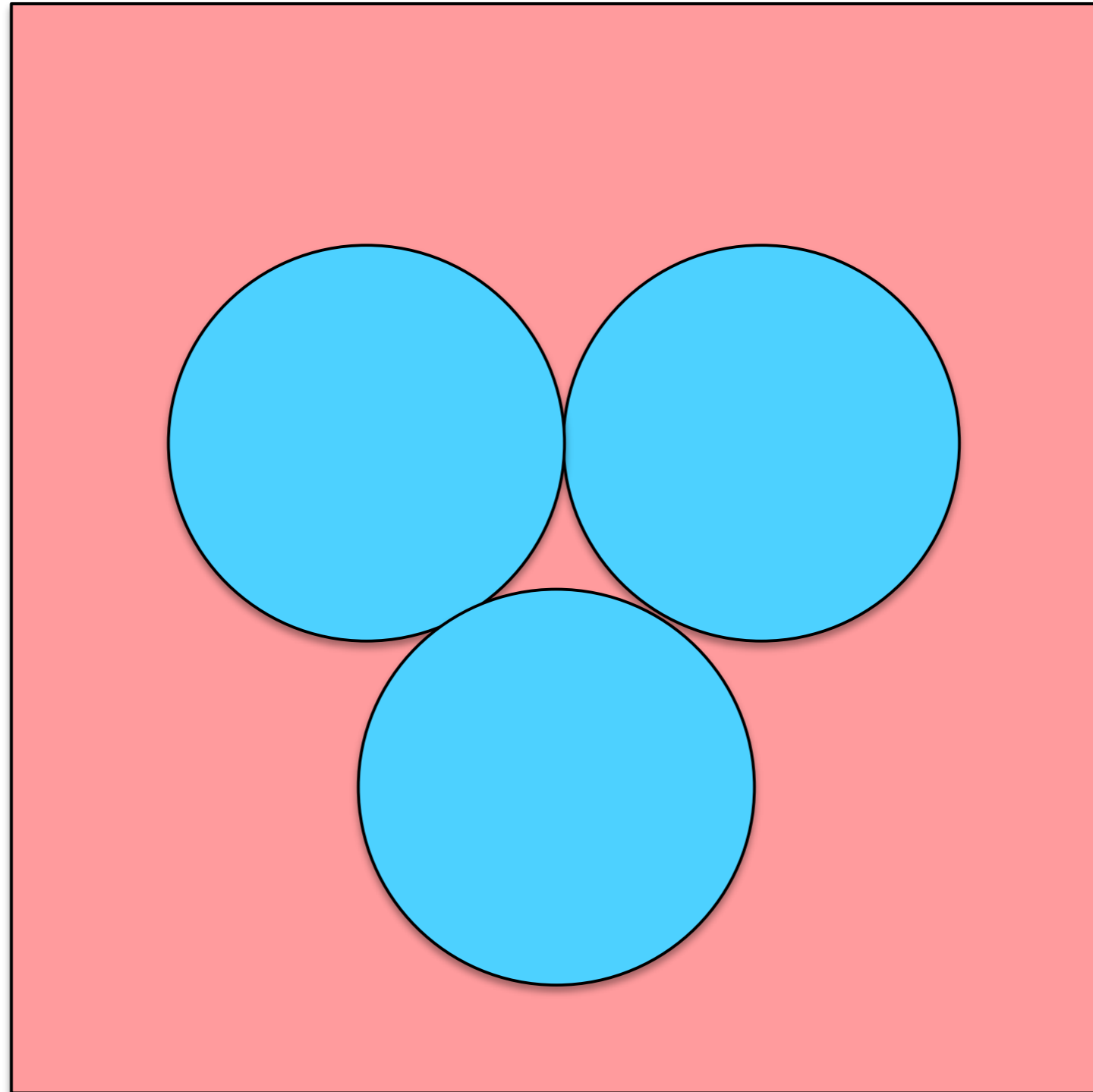
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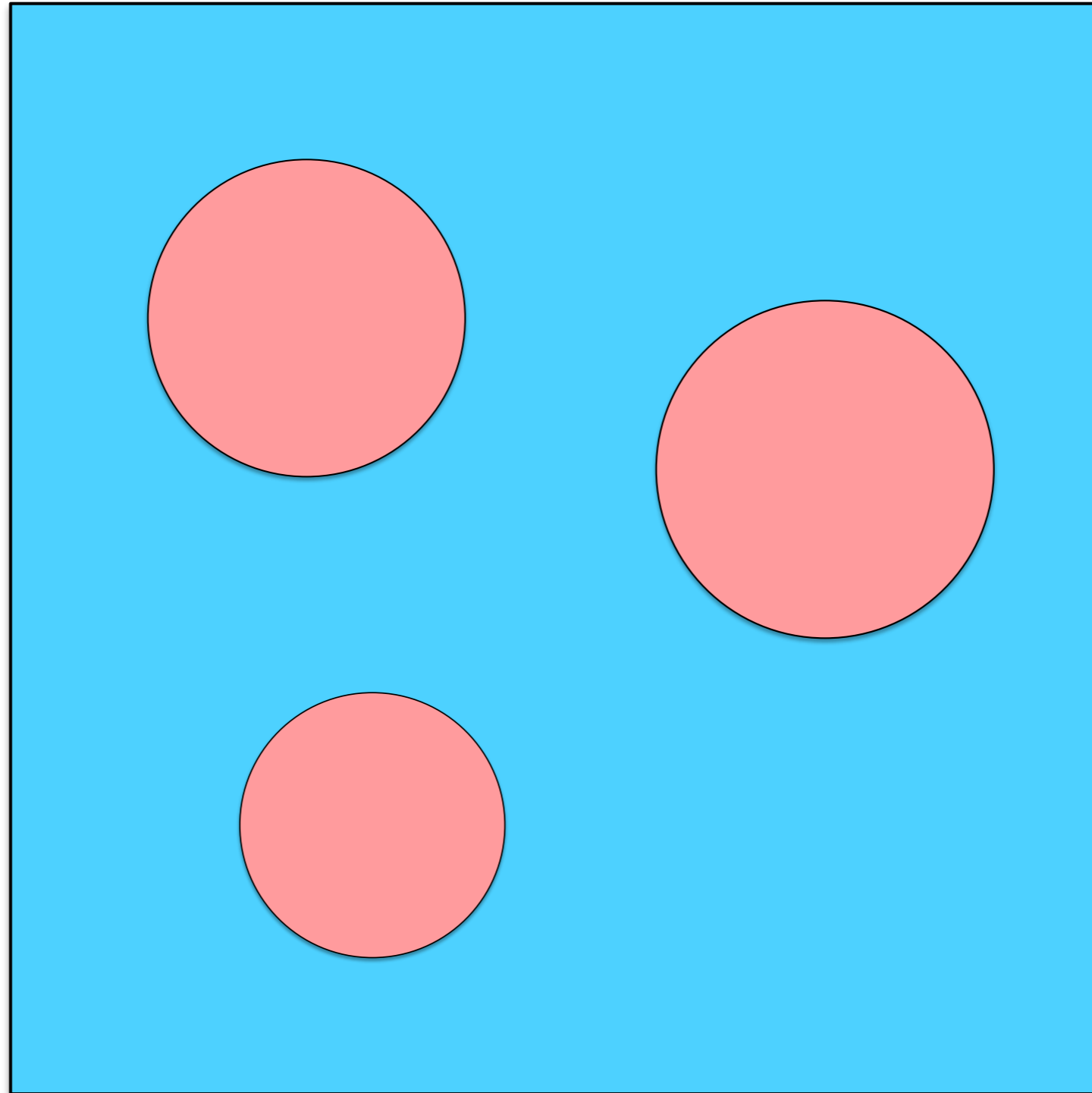
$$T \sim T_c$$



Hadron Bubbles Grow



Quark Nuggets Isolated



Some Properties

- ❖ Most of baryon numbers are stored in the quark matter

- ❖ At T_c , the size of quark matter is

$$\sim d_H/100$$

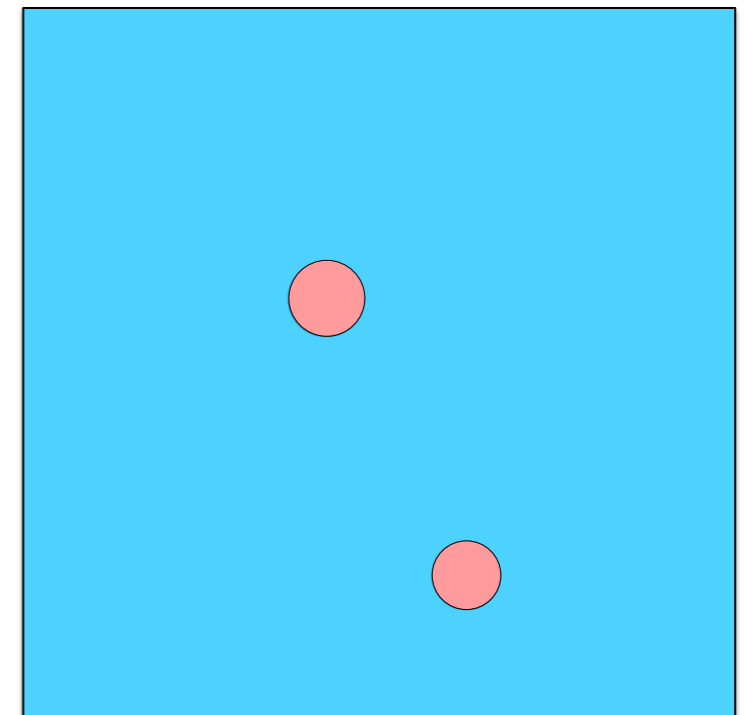
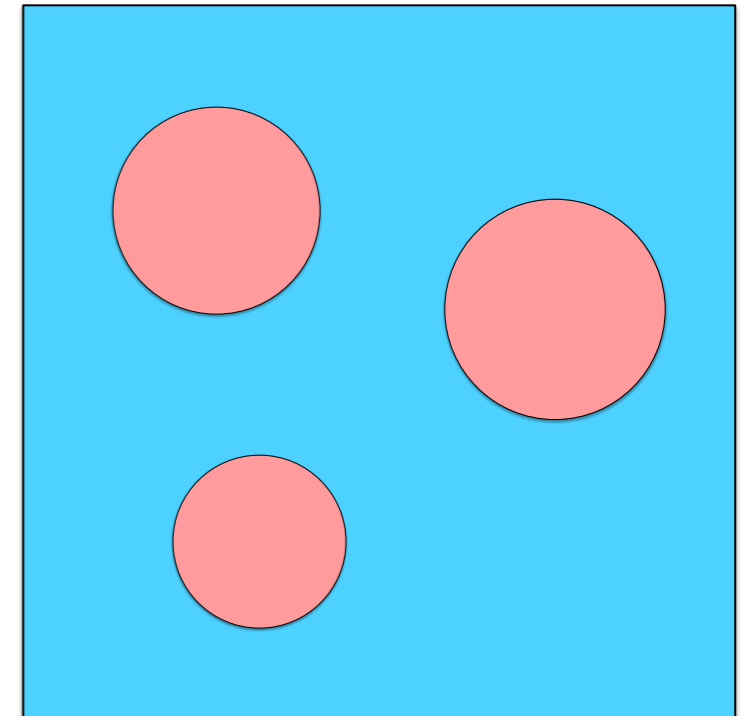
Hogan, '1983

Kajantie and Kurki-Suonio, '1986

- ❖ The number of baryons inside one quark matter bubble is $\sim 10^{38}$

- ❖ As T drops, the vacuum pressure shrinks the QM bubble, but the baryon number stays (**assuming it does not evaporate**)

- ❖ Eventually, the Fermi pressure balances the vacuum pressure



3 Flavor Quark Nugget Dark Matter

- ❖ The chemical potential or the number density is related to

$$n_B \sim B^{3/4} \sim (150 \text{ MeV})^3$$

- ❖ The mass of the 3FQM is

$$M_{3\text{FQM}} \sim 10^{14} \text{ g}$$

- ❖ The radius of the 3FQM is

$$R_{3\text{FQM}} \sim 1 \text{ mm} - \text{cm}$$

- ❖ The density of the QM is similar to a Neutron Star, except with a much smaller radius

“micro Neutron Star”

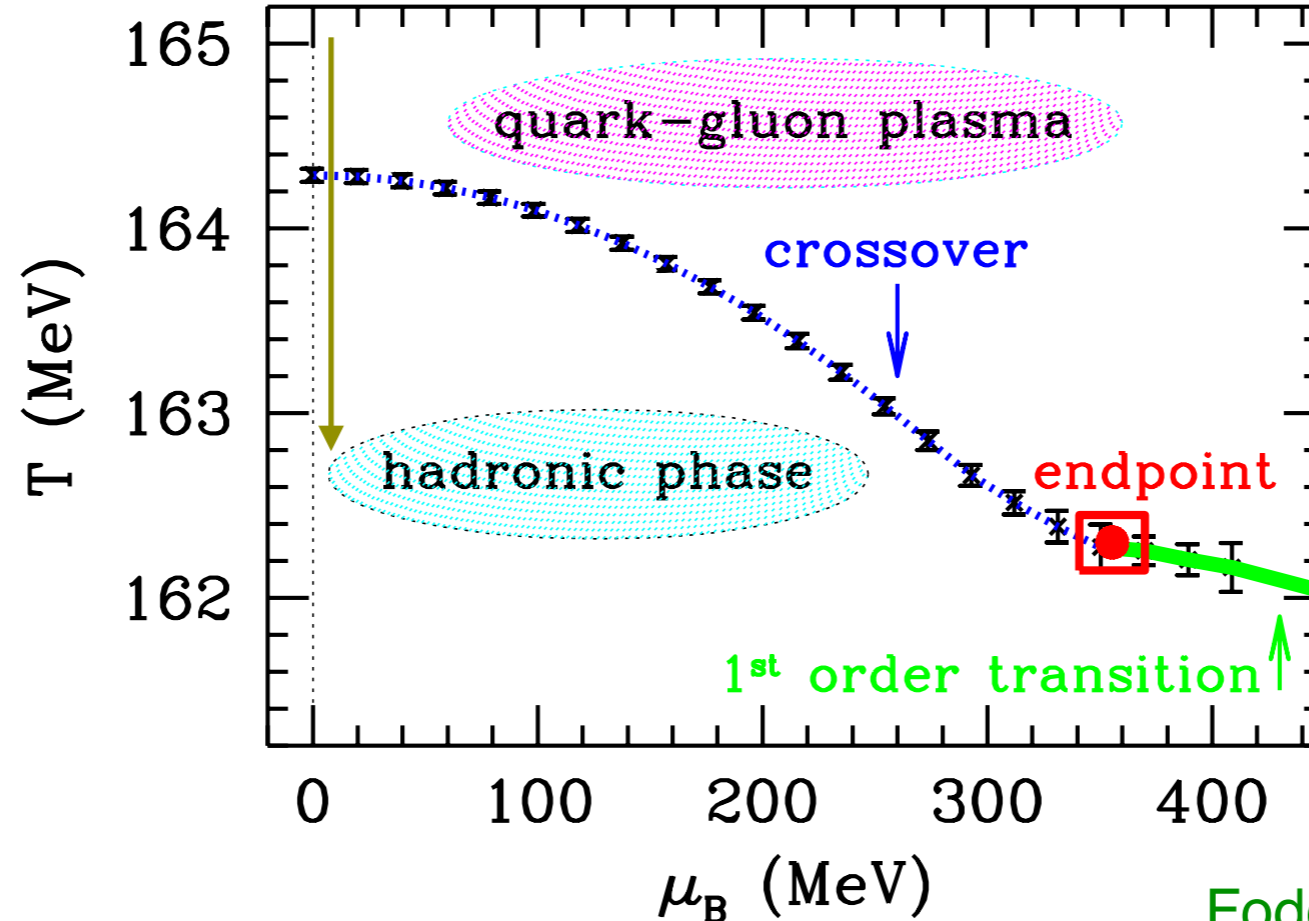
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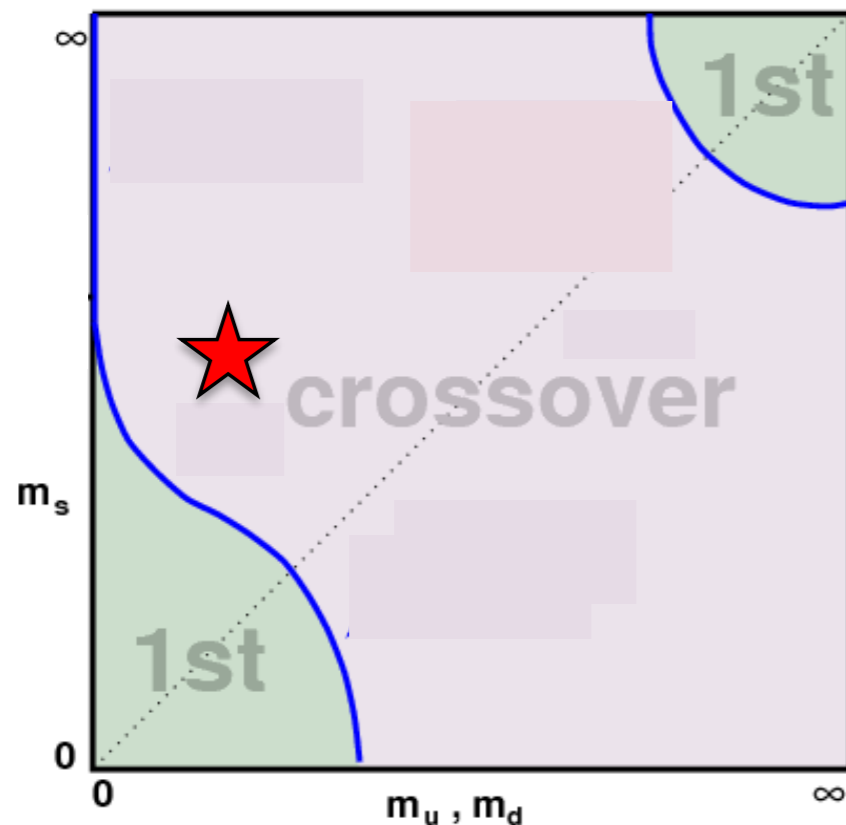
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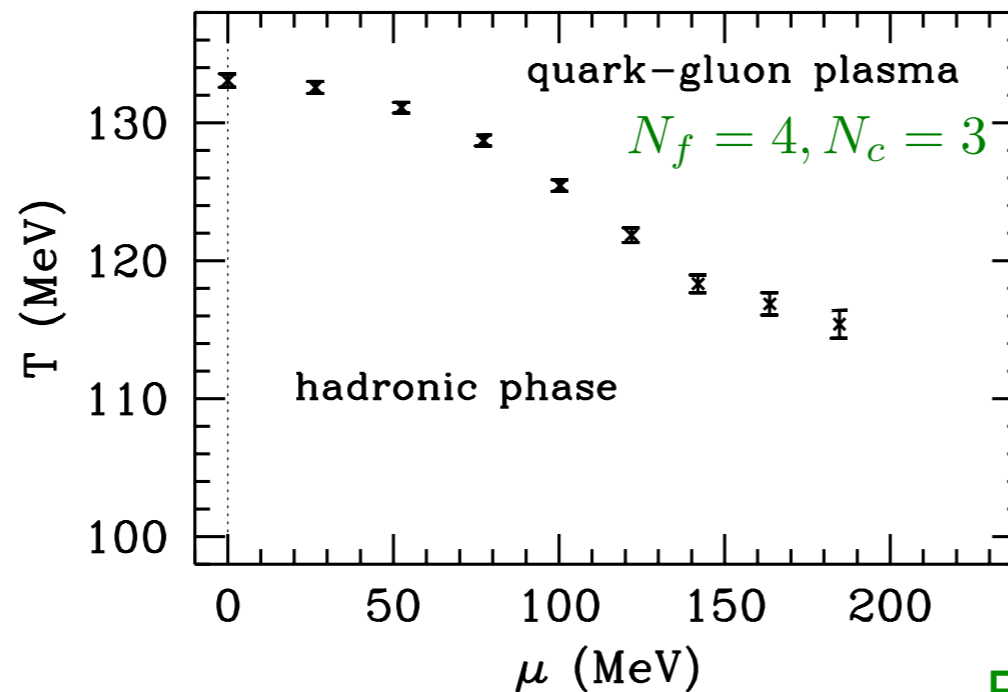


Fodor and Katz, '2004

SM QCD Phase Diagram



- ❖ if strange quark is massless, we have 1'st order transition
 - ❖ More general, once the number of massless quarks is above or equal to 3, the phase transition is first order
- Pisarski-Wilczek, '1983



Fodor and Katz, '2001

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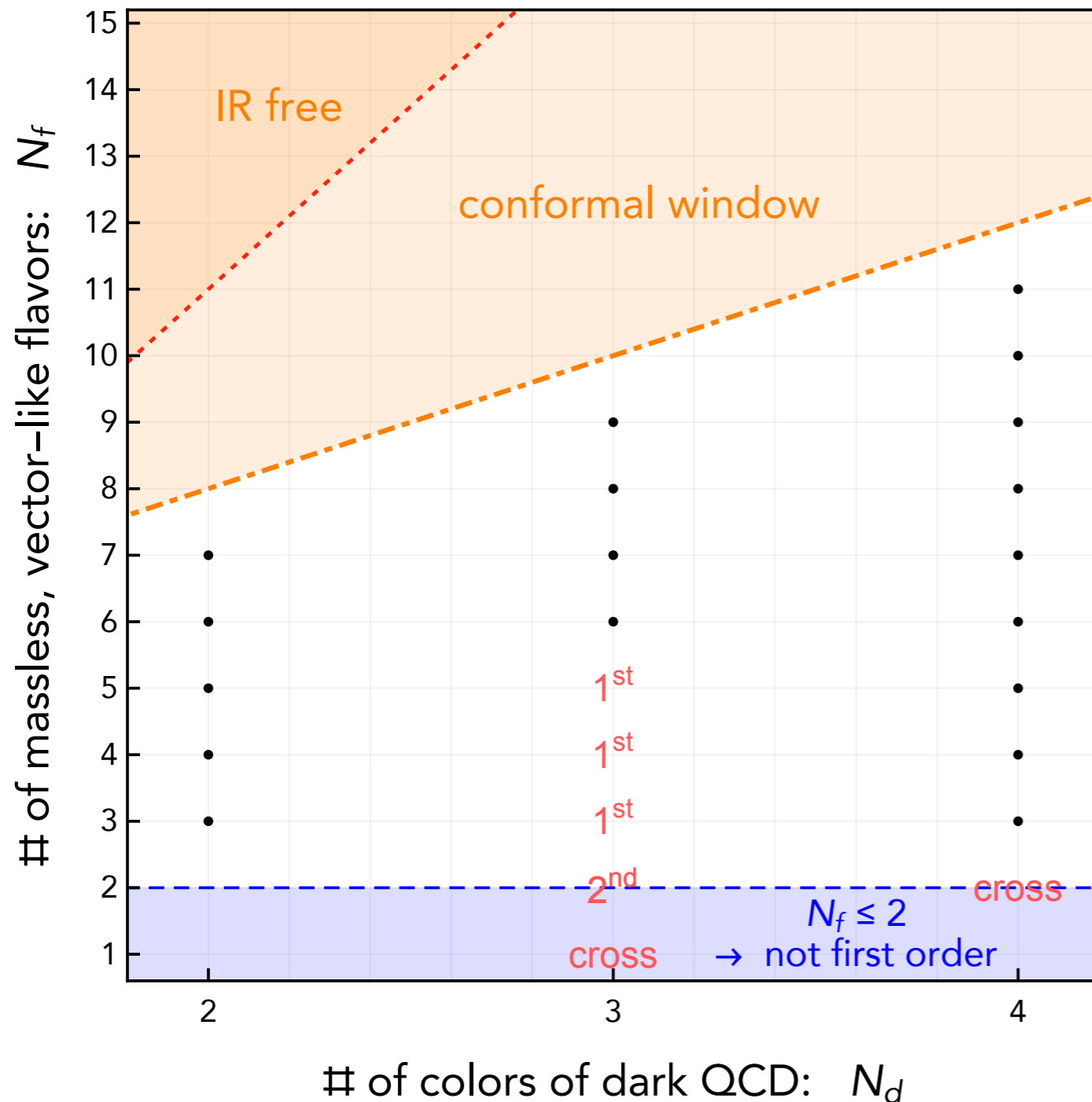
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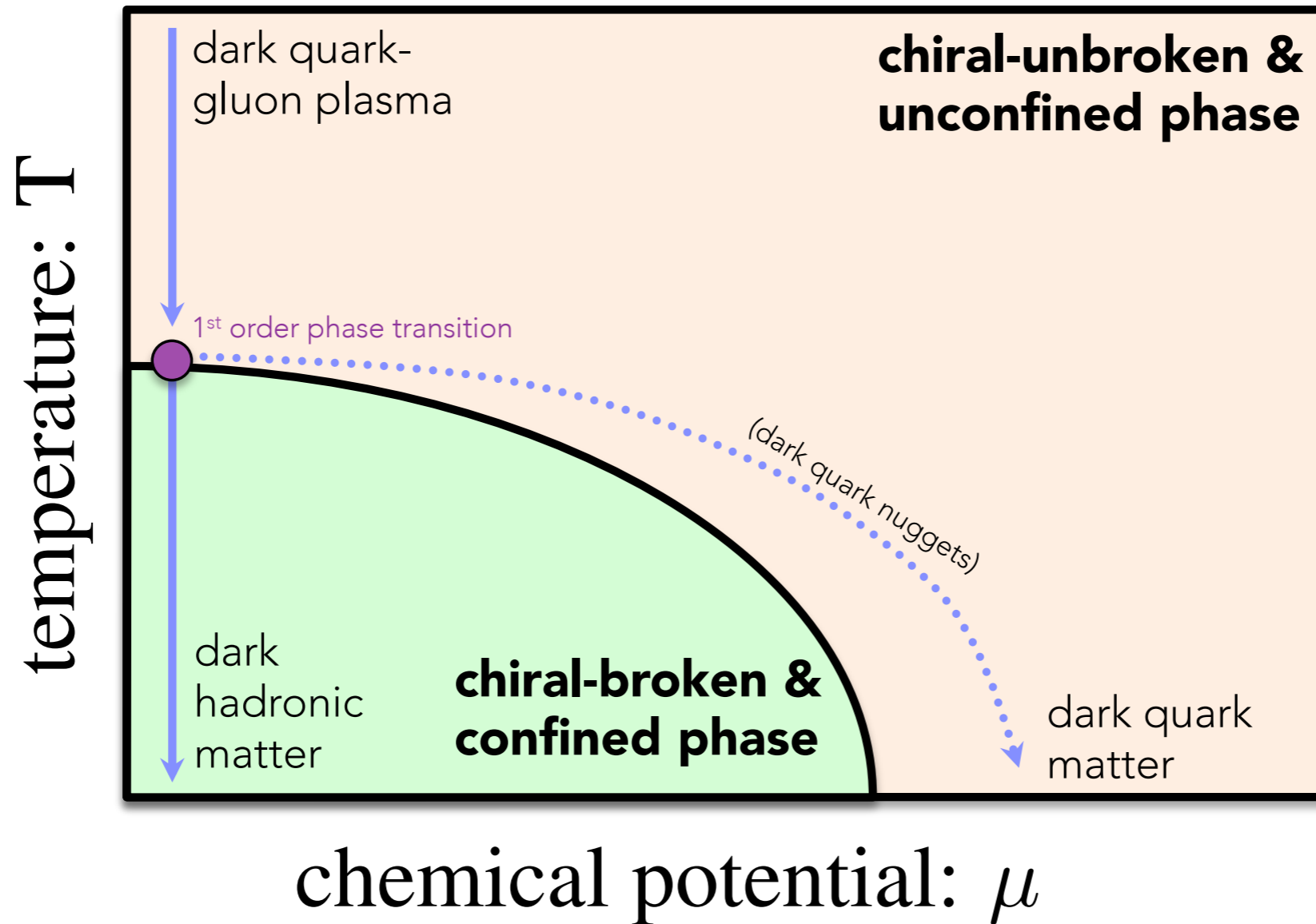
chiral phase transition in dark QCD



- ❖ **QCD-like gauge theory with massless flavors**
- ❖ **Both analytical and the numerical Lattice-QCD methods have been used**
- ❖ **For a wide range of models, one has a 1st order phase transition and potential formation of dark quark nuggets**

YB, Long, Lu, 1810.04360

Phase diagram of dark QCD



- ❖ For dark quark matter to be the lower-energy state:

$$\frac{B^{1/4}}{m_{B_d}} < 0.175 \left(\frac{N_f/N_d}{1} \right)^{1/4} \left(\frac{N_d}{3} \right)^{-1/2}$$

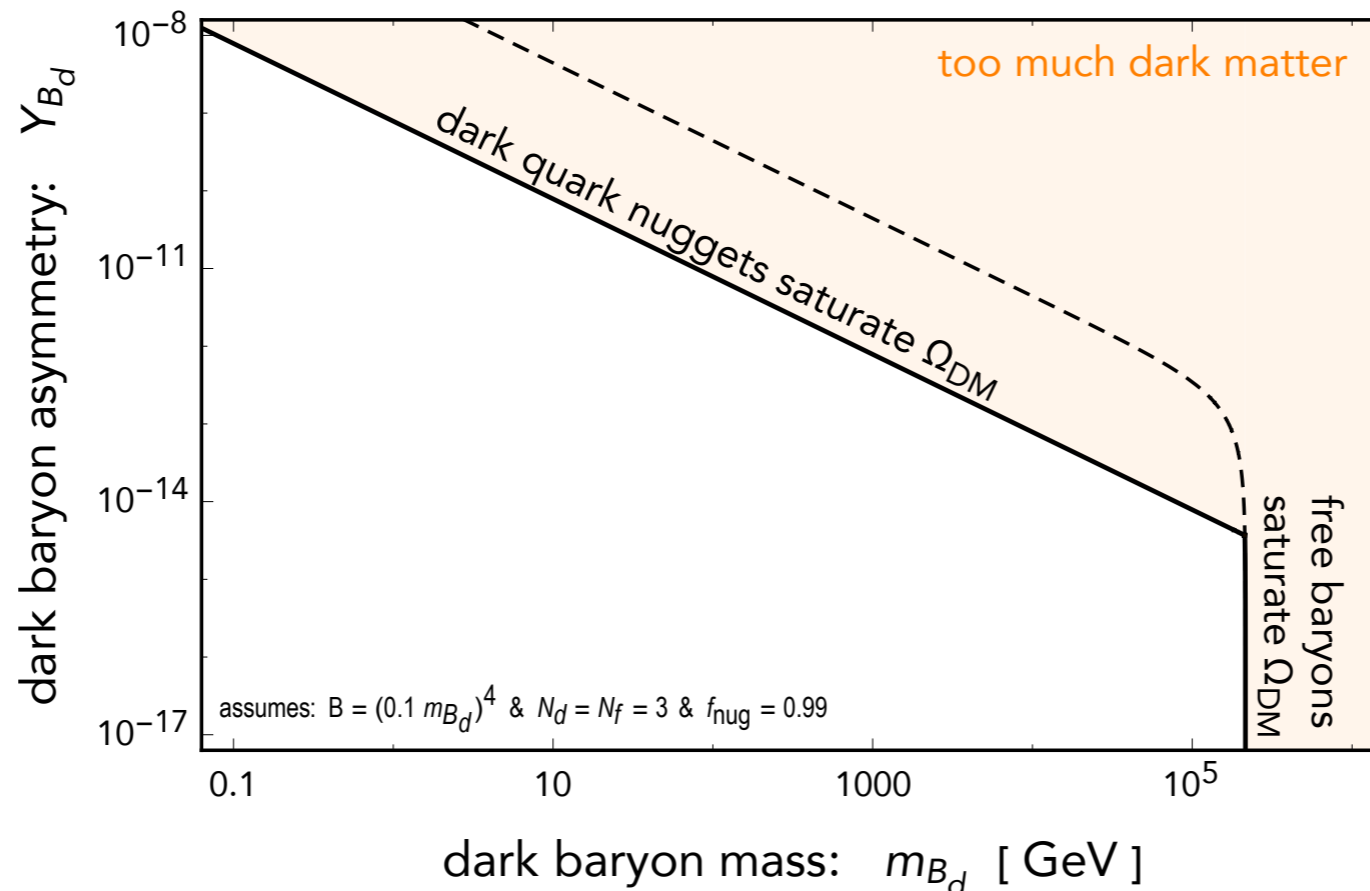
Free Dark Baryons

- ❖ The standard freeze-out story tells us that some fraction of free dark baryon and anti-baryon also exist

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle \approx (50 \text{ mb} \cdot \text{c}) \left(\frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{m_{B_d}} \right)^2$$

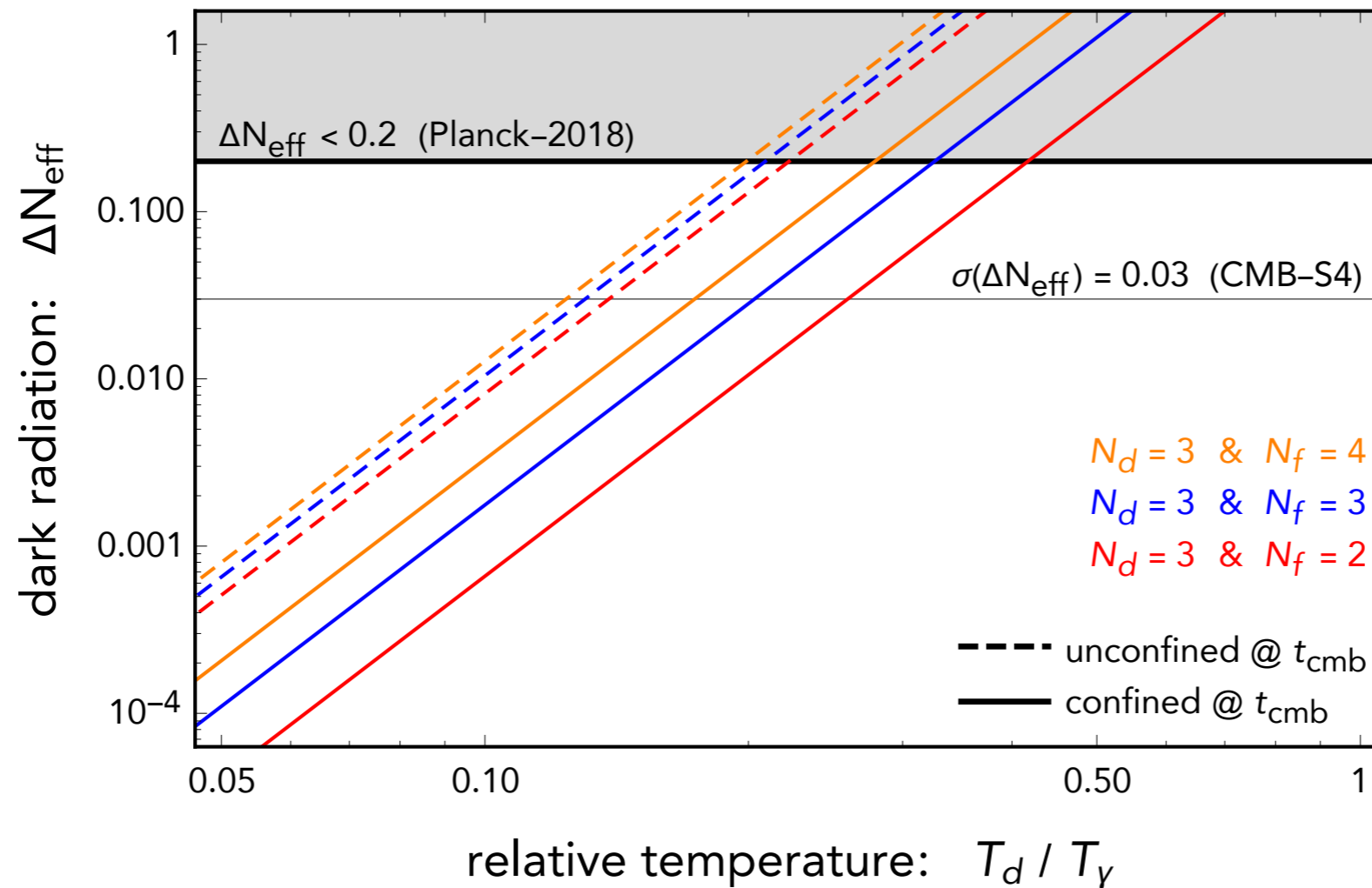
$$\Omega_{B_d} h^2 = \Omega_{\bar{B}_d} h^2 \simeq (0.052) \left(\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{130 m_{B_d}^{-2}} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{m_{B_d}}{200 \text{ TeV}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{m_{B_d}/T_d(t_{\text{fo}})}{20} \right) \left(\frac{T_d(t_{\text{fo}})}{T_\gamma(t_{\text{fo}})} \right) \left(\frac{g_*}{100} \right)^{-1/2}$$

relic abundance of free dark baryons & antibaryons



Dark Radiation

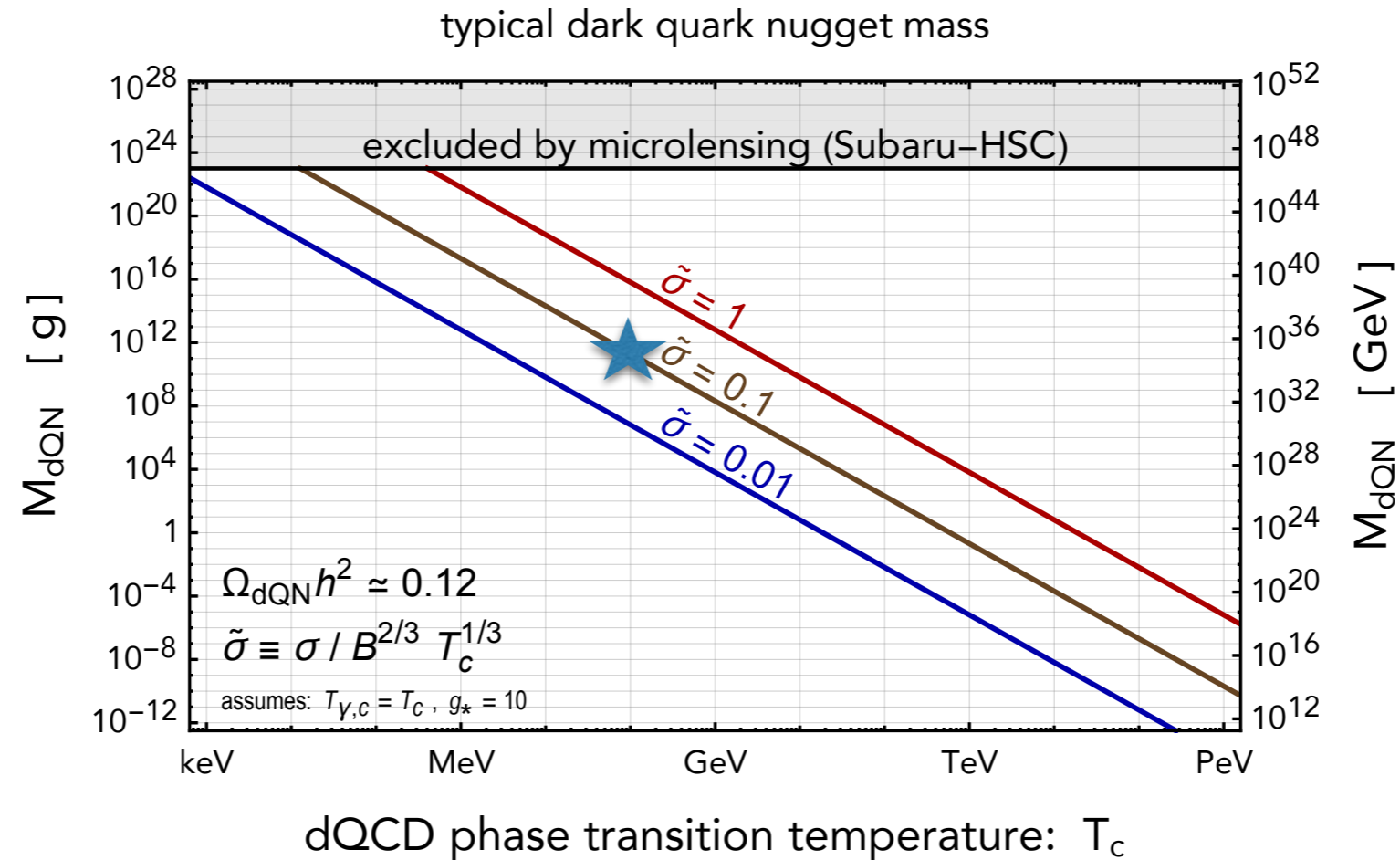
- ❖ If the dark sector is *never* thermalized with us



- ❖ The dark sector is required to be chilly

Mass and Size of dQN

- ❖ **Dark baryon asymmetry is assumed from early universe**



$$R_{\text{dQN}} \simeq (0.081 \text{ cm}) \left(\frac{\Omega_{\text{dQN}} h^2}{0.12} \right)^{1/3} \left[\frac{B}{(0.1 \text{ GeV})^4} \right]^{-1/3} \left(\frac{T_{\gamma,c}}{0.1 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{\tilde{\sigma}}{0.1} \right)^{3/2}$$

$$M_{\text{dQN}} \simeq (2.1 \times 10^{11} \text{ g}) \left(\frac{\Omega_{\text{dQN}} h^2}{0.12} \right) \left(\frac{T_{\gamma,c}}{0.1 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-3} \left(\frac{\tilde{\sigma}}{0.1} \right)^{9/2} .$$

- ❖ **Lower dark confinement scales have heavier and larger dark quark nuggets**

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Non-topological Soliton

- ❖ Was studied extensively by T. D. Lee and collaborators in 70's and Coleman in 80's. Let's use Coleman's paper to set a stage.

Q-BALLS*

Sidney COLEMAN

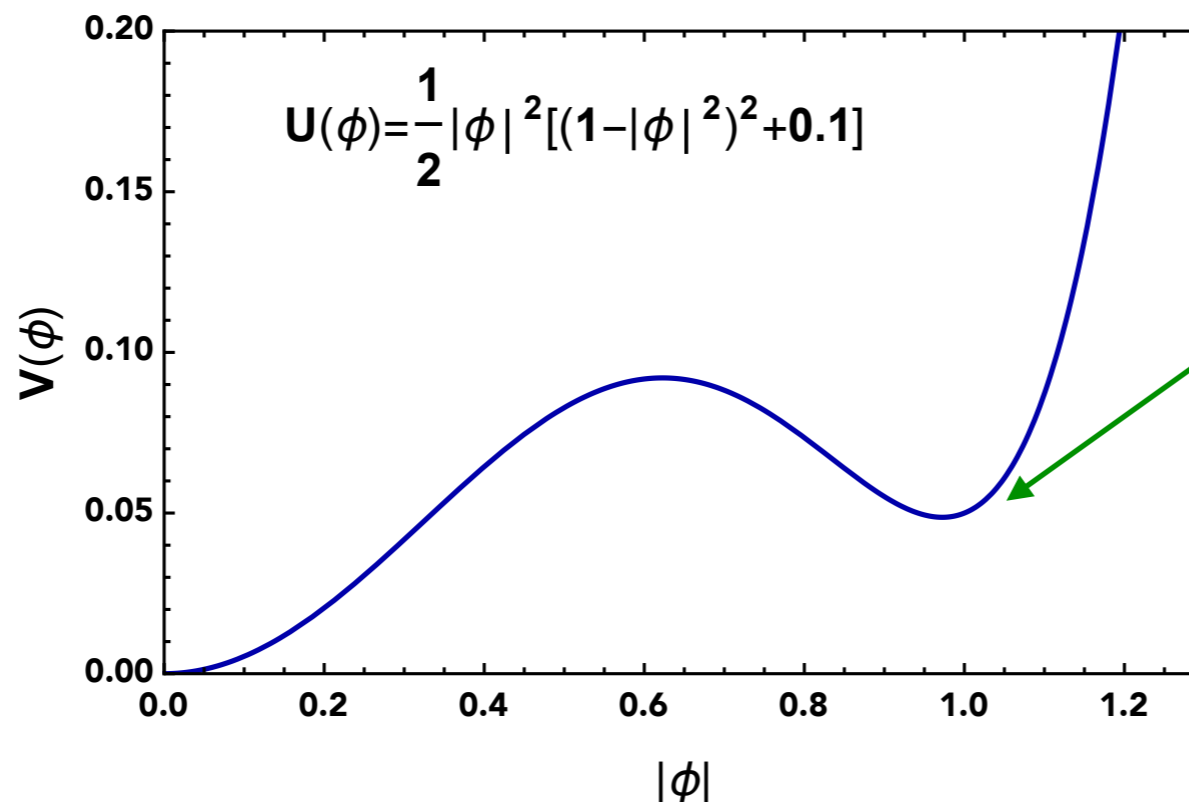
Lyman Laboratory of Physics, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138, USA

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A large family of field theories in $3+1$ dimensions contains a new class of extended objects. The existence of these objects depends on (among other conditions) the existence of a conserved charge, Q , associated with an ungauged unbroken continuous internal symmetry. These objects are spherically symmetric, and for large Q their energies and volumes grow linearly with Q ; thus they act like homogeneous balls of ordinary matter, with Q playing the role of particle number. This paper proves the fundamental existence theorem for these Q-balls, computes their elementary properties, and finds their low-lying excitations.

Non-topological Soliton

- ❖ For a complex scalar field with an unbroken global symmetry, there exist nondissipative solutions of the classical field equations that are absolute minima of the energy for a fixed (sufficiently large) Q .



**Q-ball state sits
in a local vacuum**

- ❖ This will be a non-renormalizable potential for a single field

Non-topological Soliton

- ❖ **The charge Q of $U(1)_\phi$, is $Q = \omega \int d^3x |\phi(r)|^2 \approx \omega \phi^2 V$**
- ❖ **In the large Q limit, the profile is like a step-function.**

- ❖ **The energy of the state has**
$$E = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{\phi^2 V} + U V$$

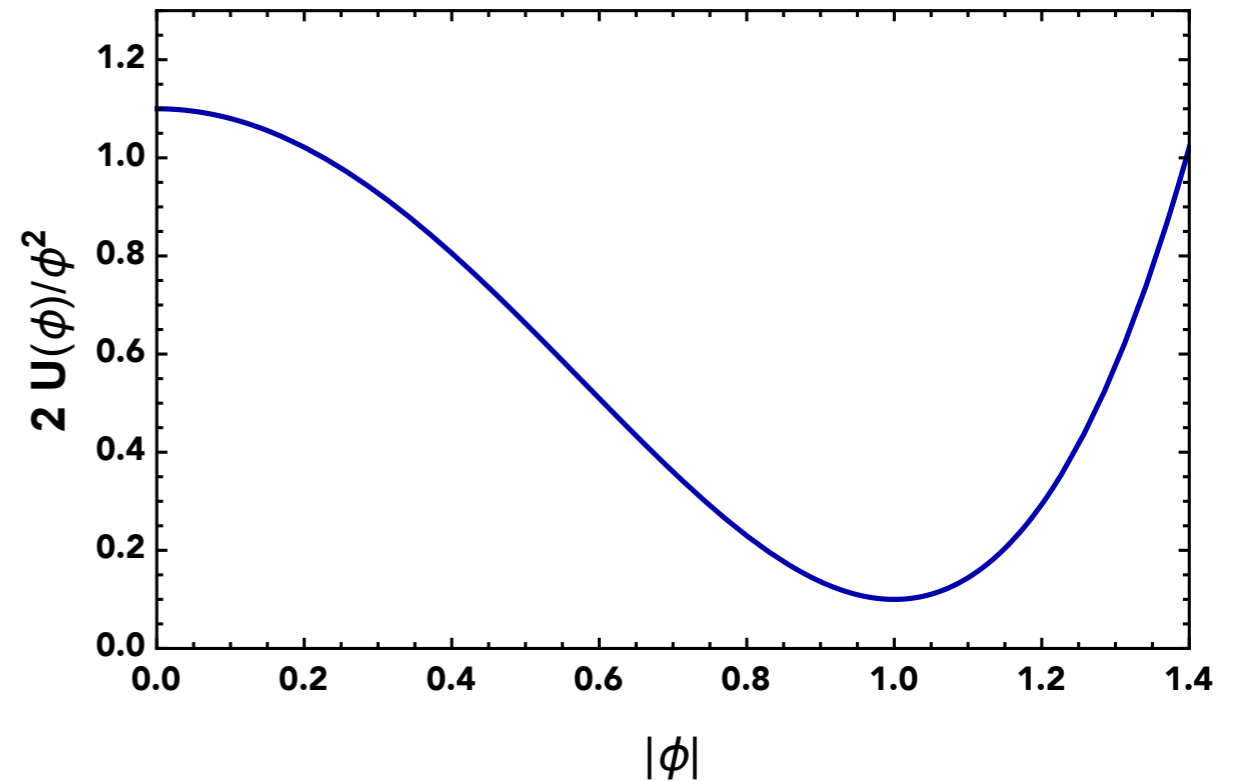
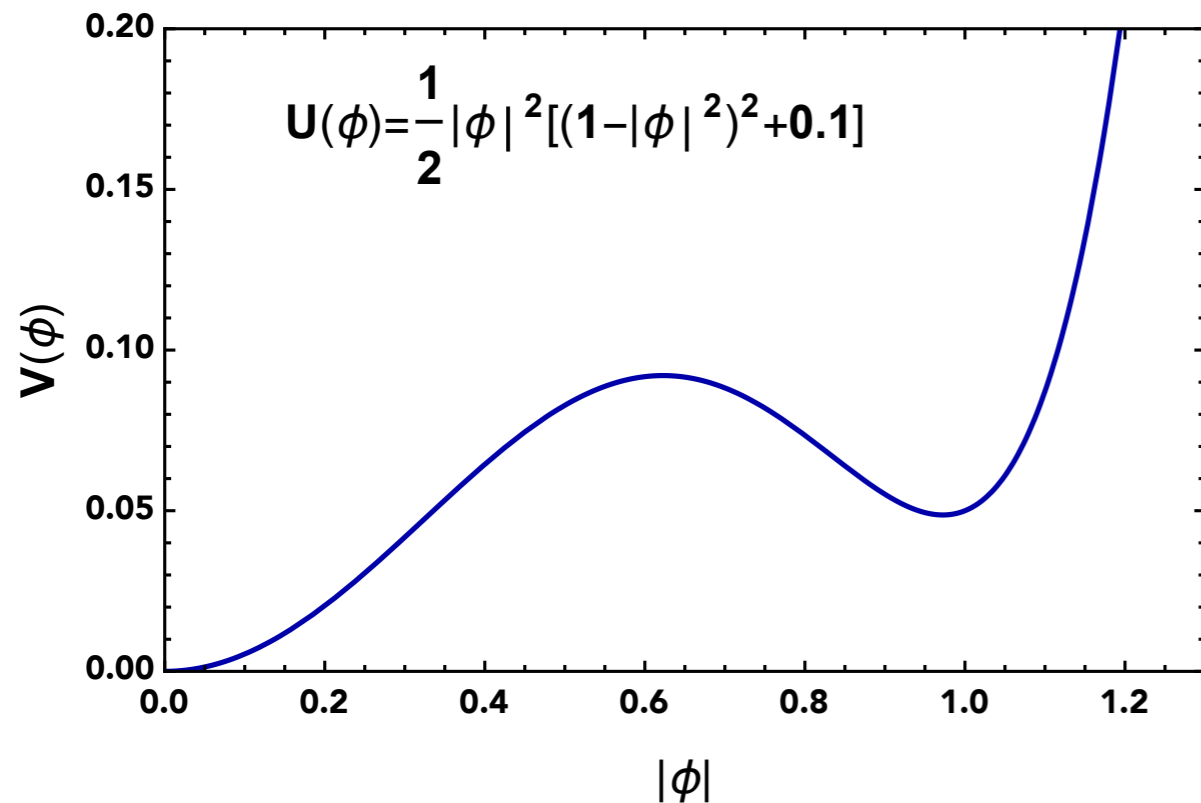
- ❖ **Minimizing the energy with respect to the volume**

$$V = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{2\phi^2 U}} \quad E = Q \sqrt{\frac{2U}{\phi^2}}$$

- ❖ **So, for the same Q , the lowest energy state is at some ϕ_0**

$$2U_0/\phi_0^2 = \min[2U/\phi^2]$$

Non-topological Soliton



- ❖ **The soliton state is also stable at quantum level.**
- ❖ **Its energy is proportional to Q times some intrinsic properties of the potential.**
- ❖ **This is just a feature of a single-field potential. The Q-dependence of energy will be different for two-field cases.**

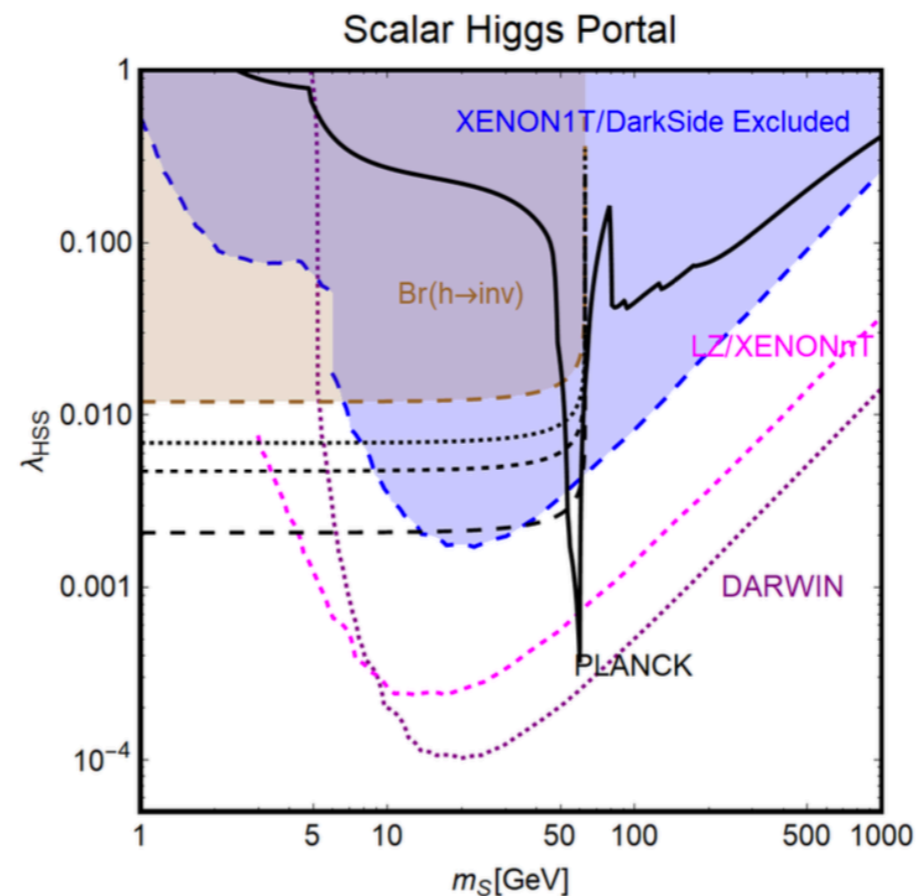
Higgs-portal Dark Matter

- ❖ The simplest extension of the SM is the Higgs-portal dark matter:

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \Phi^\dagger \partial^\mu \Phi + \partial_\mu H^\dagger \partial^\mu H - \lambda_h \left(H^\dagger H - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^2 - \lambda_{\phi h} \Phi^\dagger \Phi H^\dagger H$$

with all dark matter mass from the Higgs VEV: $M_\Phi = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_{\phi h}}{2}} v$

- ❖ If one keeps the coupling and mass independent
- ❖ Severely constrained by direct detection experiments



Arcadi, Djouadi,
Raidal, 1903.03616

But, dark matter may not be in the EW-breaking vacuum

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- ❖ **The classical equations of motion** $\Phi(x_\mu) = e^{i\omega t} \phi(r)/\sqrt{2}$ $H(x_\mu) = h(r)/\sqrt{2}$

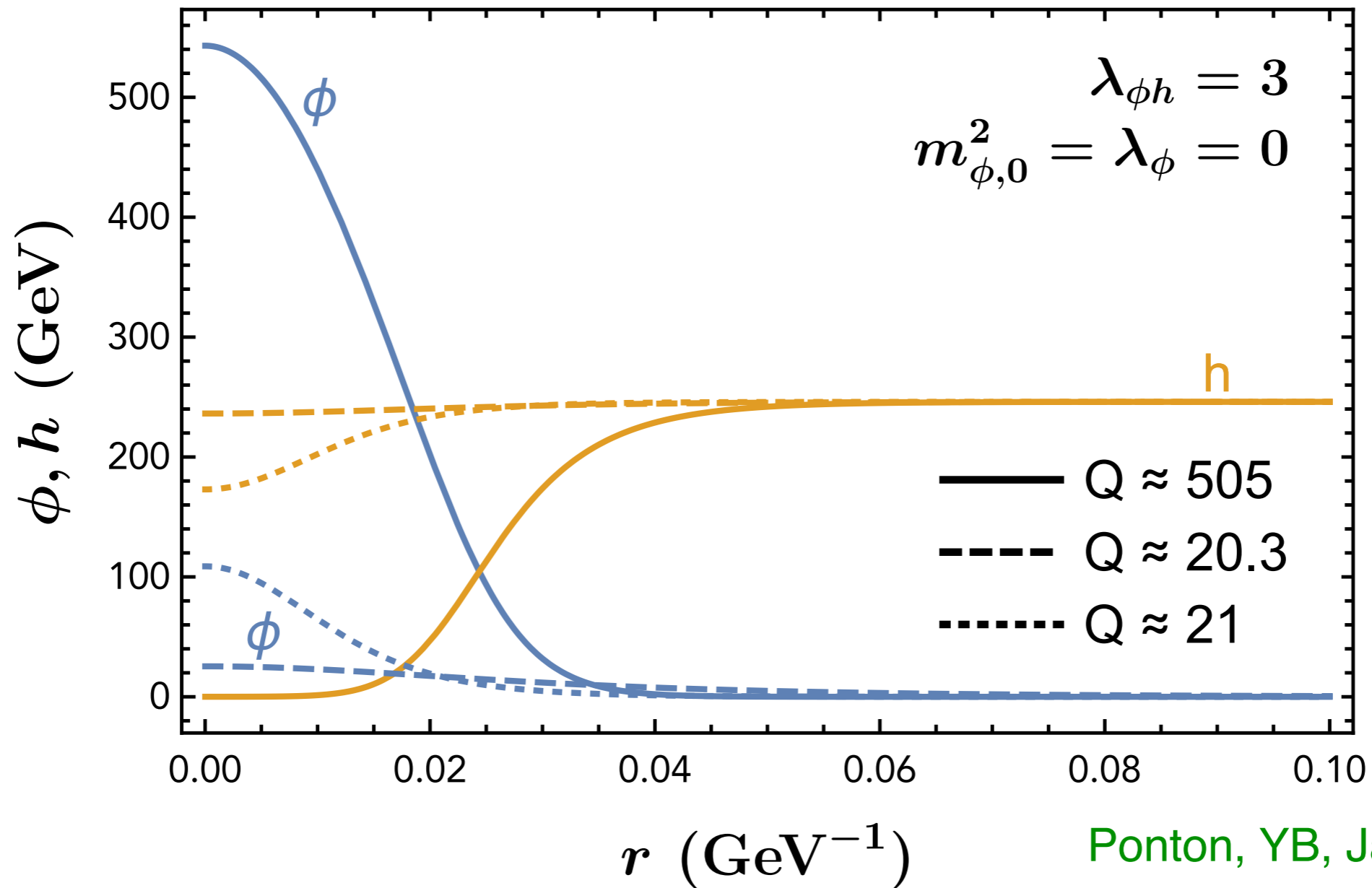
$$\phi''(r) + \frac{2}{r} \phi'(r) + \left[\omega^2 - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\phi h} h(r)^2 \right] \phi(r) = 0,$$

$$h''(r) + \frac{2}{r} h'(r) + \left[\frac{m_h^2}{2} - \lambda_h h(r)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\phi h} \phi(r)^2 \right] h(r) = 0,$$

- ❖ **Four boundary conditions:** $\phi'(0) = h'(0) = 0$ $\phi(\infty) = 0$ $h(\infty) = v$

- ❖ **Need to double-shooting on $\phi(0)$ and $h(0)$ for a fixed value of ω**

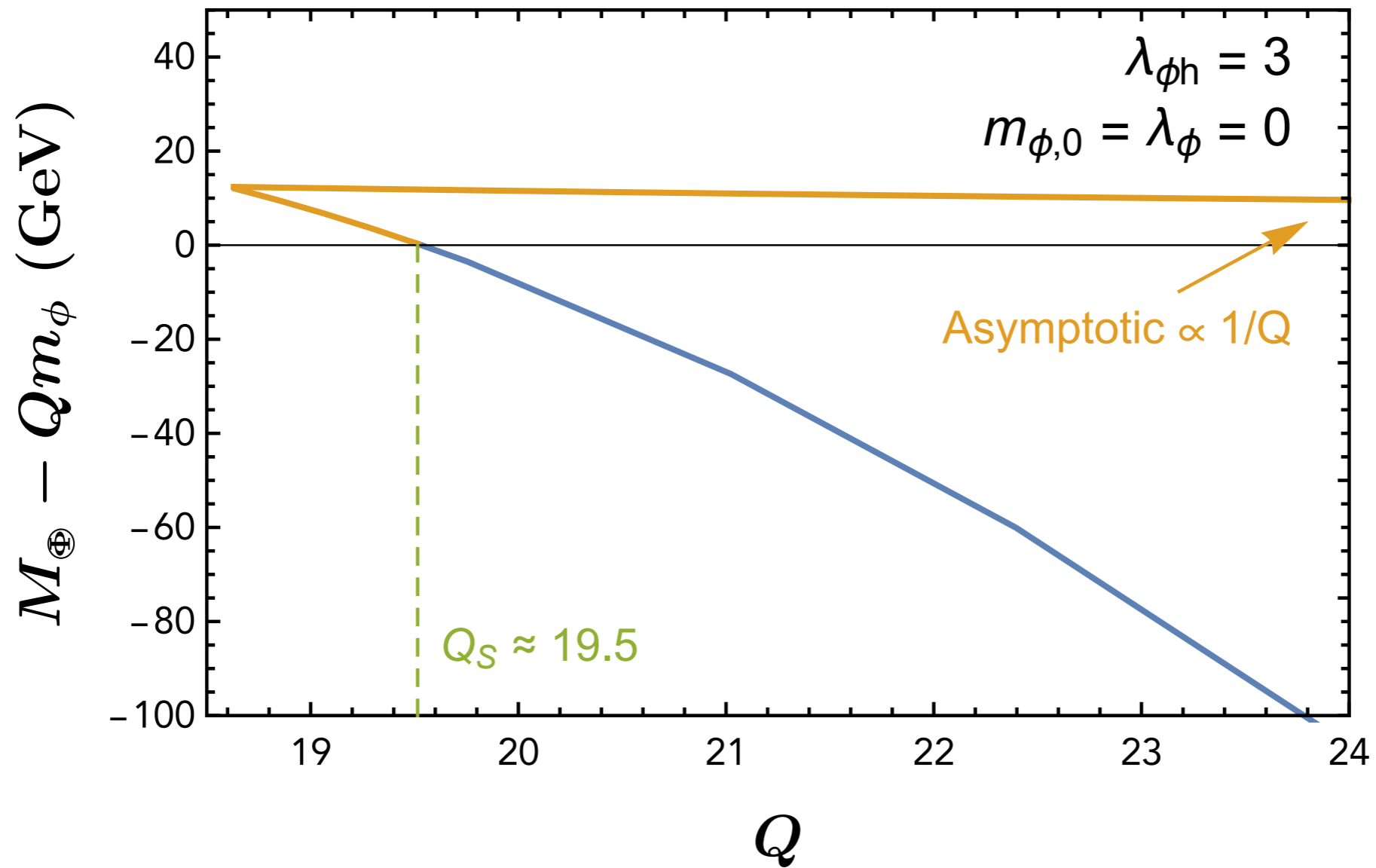
Example Solutions ($\lambda_\phi = 0$)



Ponton, YB, Jain, 1906.10739

for a large Q : Electroweak Symmetric Dark Matter Ball

Dark Matter Ball Mass vs. Q



❖ In the large Q limit, one has a simple relation

$$Q \sim R_{\oplus}^4, \quad M_{\oplus} \sim Q^{3/4} \sim R_{\oplus}^3$$

Add Φ Self-Interaction

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \Phi^\dagger \partial^\mu \Phi + \partial_\mu H^\dagger \partial^\mu H - \lambda_h \left(H^\dagger H - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^2 - \lambda_{\phi h} \Phi^\dagger \Phi H^\dagger H - m_{\phi,0}^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi - \lambda_\phi (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2$$

- ❖ **The existence of the self-quartic interaction changes the dark matter ball properties significantly**

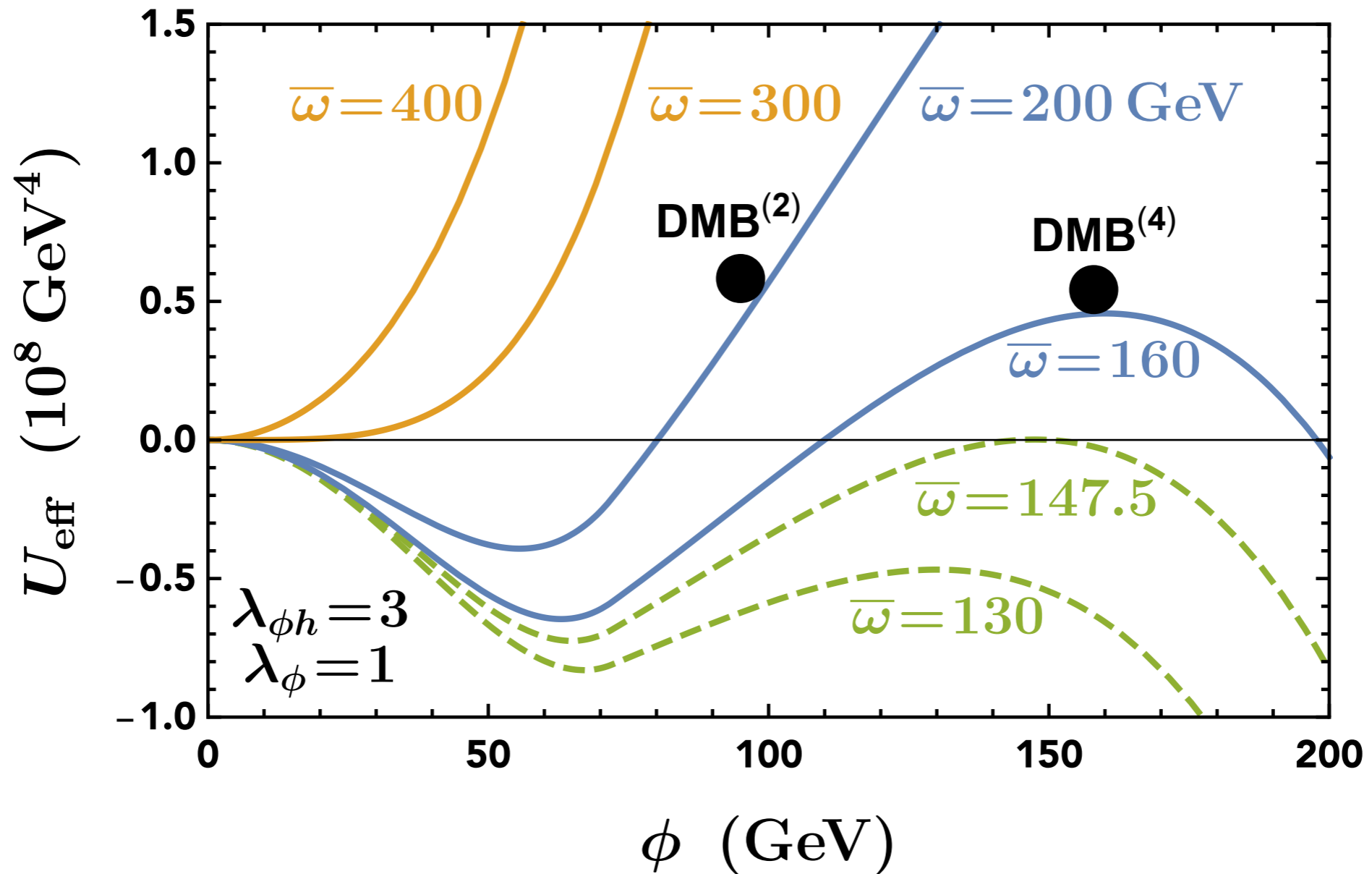
$$h^2 \approx \begin{cases} \frac{m_h^2}{2\lambda_h} - \frac{\lambda_{\phi h}}{2\lambda_h} \phi^2 & \text{for } \lambda_{\phi h} \phi^2 < m_h^2, \\ 0 & \text{for } \lambda_{\phi h} \phi^2 > m_h^2. \end{cases}$$

$$U_{\text{eff}}(\phi) = -V_\Phi(\phi) + \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \left(\omega^2 - \frac{\lambda_{\phi h} m_h^2}{4\lambda_h} \right) \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda_{\phi h}^2}{16\lambda_h} \phi^4 & \text{for } \lambda_{\phi h} \phi^2 < m_h^2, \\ \frac{1}{2} \omega^2 \phi^2 - \frac{m_h^4}{16\lambda_h} & \text{for } \lambda_{\phi h} \phi^2 > m_h^2. \end{cases}$$

$$\phi'' + \frac{2}{r} \phi' + U'_{\text{eff}}(\phi) \approx 0$$

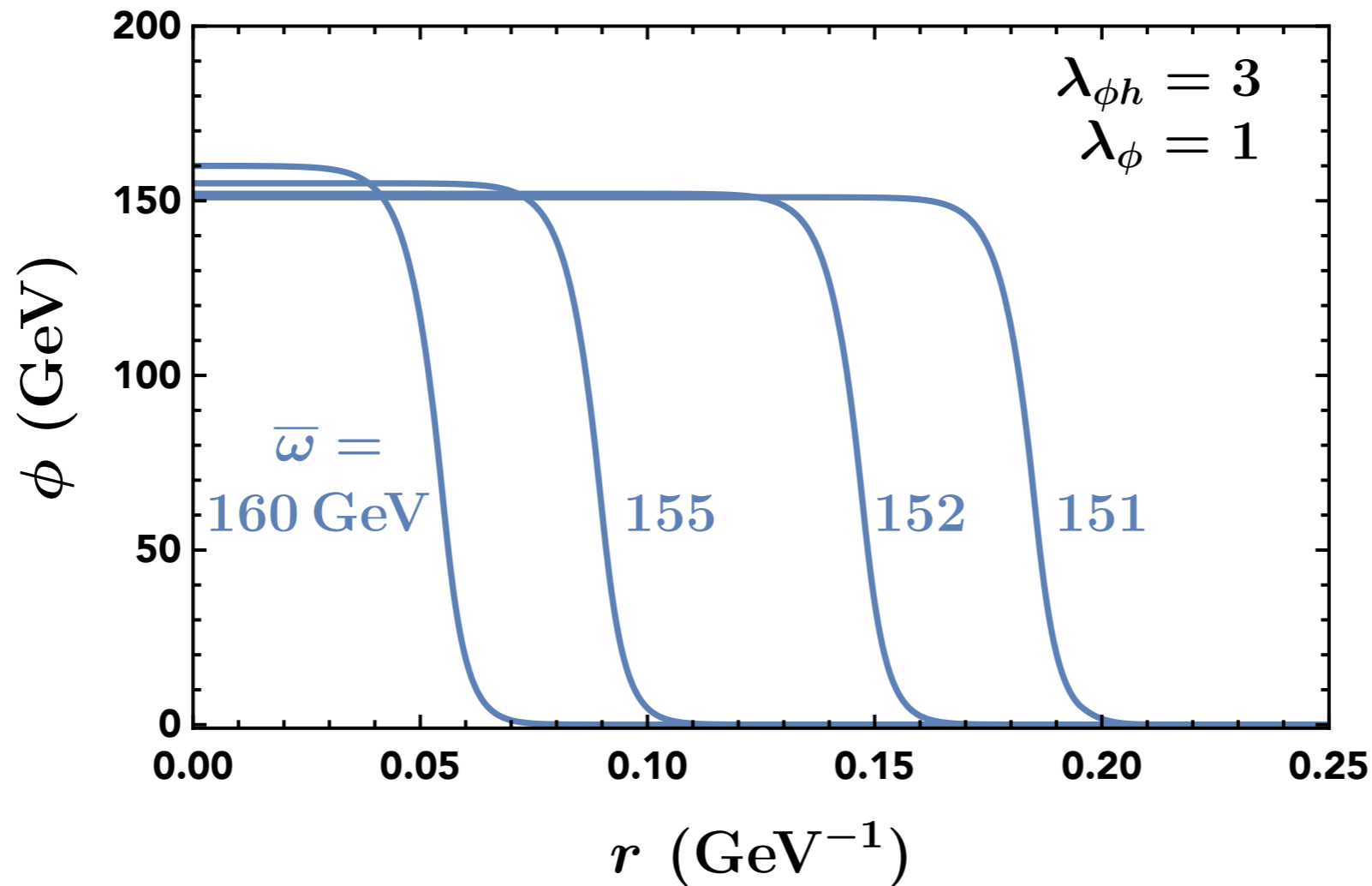
- ❖ **Via Coleman, we can use 1D particle description to understand it**

Add Φ Self-Interaction



$$\bar{\omega}^2 = \omega^2 - m_{\phi,0}^2 \qquad \bar{\omega}_c = \left(\frac{\lambda_{\phi}}{4\lambda_h} \right)^{1/4} m_h$$

Add Φ Self-Interaction



❖ As a $\bar{\omega} \rightarrow \bar{\omega}_c$, the radius increases as $R \approx \frac{0.66}{\bar{\omega} - \bar{\omega}_c}$

$$Q \sim R_{\oplus}^3, \quad M_{\oplus} \sim Q \sim R_{\oplus}^3 \quad \rho = \frac{M_{\oplus}}{(4\pi/3)R_{\oplus}^3} \sim (100 \text{ GeV})^4$$

Two Types of BEC

- ❖ When the Φ self-interaction is not important ($\lambda_\phi \ll 1$), the **core density could be arbitrarily high (BEC)**

$$Q \sim R_\oplus^4, \quad M_\oplus \sim Q^{3/4} \sim R_\oplus^3$$

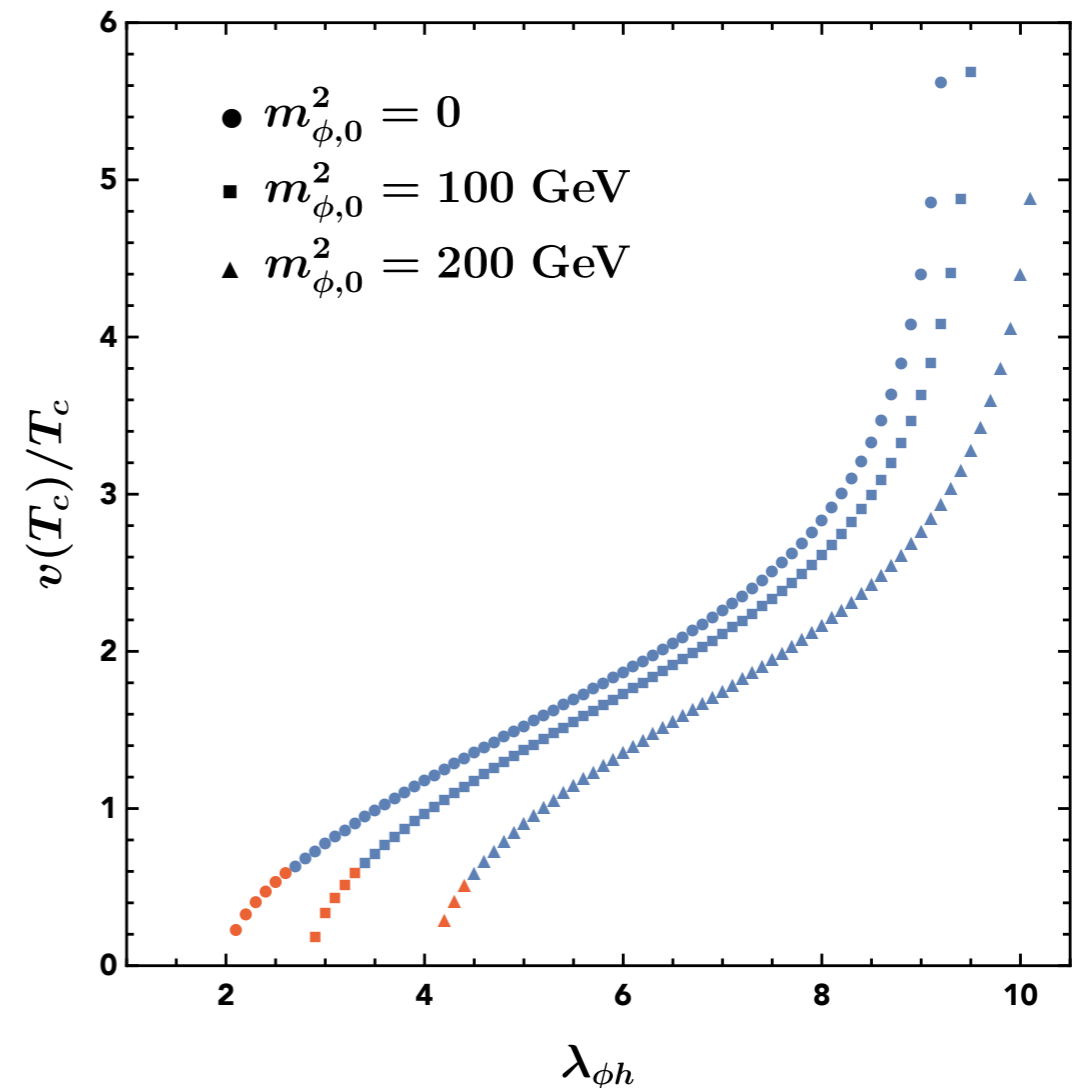
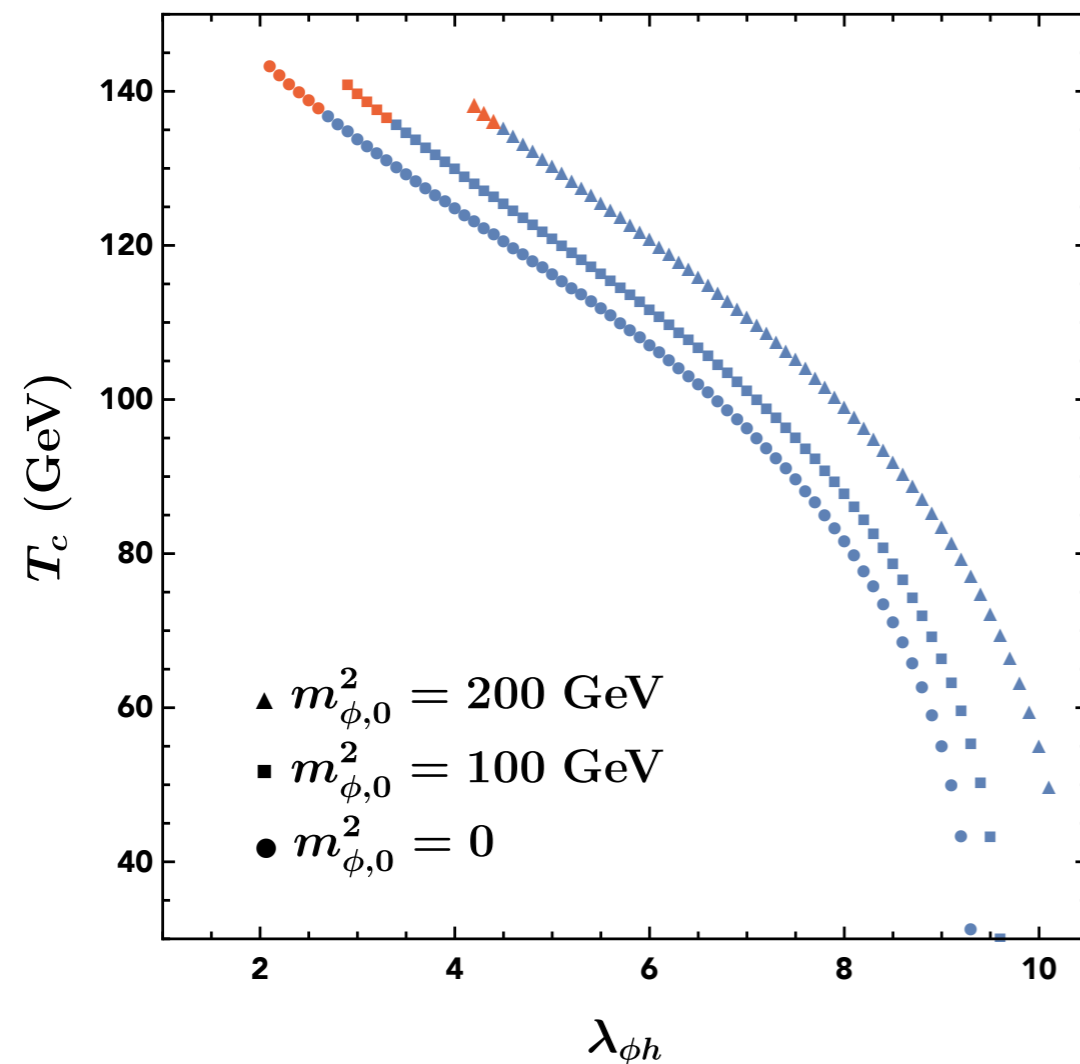
- ❖ When the Φ self-interaction is important ($\lambda_\phi \sim 1$), the **energy density is flat** in the inner region

$$Q \sim R_\oplus^3, \quad M_\oplus \sim Q \sim R_\oplus^3$$

- ❖ Both of them have $\rho^{1/4} \sim v_{\text{EW}}$ and **unbroken electroweak symmetry** in the inner region

Formation from 1'st Phase Transition

- ❖ It is known that the Higgs-portal dark matter can also trigger strong first-order phase transition



- ❖ The formation is similar to the (dark) quark nugget case

Abundance of Dark Matter Balls

- ❖ Use **initial DM number asymmetry** Y_Φ to match DM abundance
- ❖ The total number of dark matter within one Hubble patch is

$$N_\Phi^{\text{Hubble}} \approx Y_\Phi s d_H^3 \simeq (7.8 \times 10^{37}) \left(\frac{Y_\Phi}{10^{-11}} \right) \left(\frac{134 \text{ GeV}}{T_c} \right)^3$$

- ❖ The number of nucleation sites within one Hubble volume has

$$N_{\text{DMB}}^{\text{Hubble}} \sim 1.0 \times 10^{13} \times \left(\frac{\lambda_{\phi h}}{3} \right)^{-14}$$

$$Q \sim (7.8 \times 10^{24}) \left(\frac{Y_\Phi}{10^{-11}} \right) \left(\frac{134 \text{ GeV}}{T_c} \right)^3 \left(\frac{\lambda_{\phi h}}{3} \right)^{14}$$

$$M_\oplus \sim (3.9 \times 10^{26} \text{ GeV}) \left(\frac{\omega_c Y_\Phi}{5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left(\frac{134 \text{ GeV}}{T_c} \right)^3 \left(\frac{\lambda_{\phi h}}{3} \right)^{14} \quad 10^{26} \text{ GeV} \sim 100 \text{ g}$$

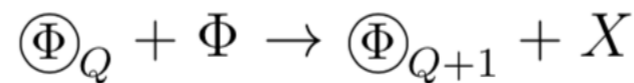
$$R_\oplus \approx (5.8 \times 10^5 \text{ GeV}^{-1}) \left(\frac{\lambda_\phi}{0.013} \right)^{1/12} \left(\frac{Y_\Phi}{10^{-11}} \right)^{1/3} \left(\frac{134 \text{ GeV}}{T_c} \right) \left(\frac{\lambda_{\phi h}}{3} \right)^{4.7} \quad 10^5 \text{ GeV}^{-1} \sim \text{\AA}$$

Abundance of Free Dark Particles

- ❖ During the chemical equilibrium, the ratio of dark matter energy density in the low-temperature phase over the high-temperature phase has

$$r \equiv \frac{n_{\Phi}^{(l)}}{n_{\Phi}^{(h)}} \approx 6 \left(\frac{m_{\phi}(T)}{2\pi T} \right)^{3/2} e^{-m_{\phi}(T)/T}$$

- ❖ The freeze-out temperature is controlled by the process



$$\Gamma_{Q+\Phi \rightarrow Q+1} = \langle \sigma v \rangle n_{\textcircled{\Phi}} \simeq 4\pi R_{\textcircled{\Phi}}^2(T) \frac{Y_{\Phi} s}{Q} = 4\pi R_{\textcircled{\Phi}}^2(T) \frac{Y_{\Phi}}{Q} \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_{*s} T^3$$

- ❖ The freeze-out temperature is low and below ~ 1 GeV
- ❖ So, the dark matter fraction in the free particle state is dramatically suppressed and negligible

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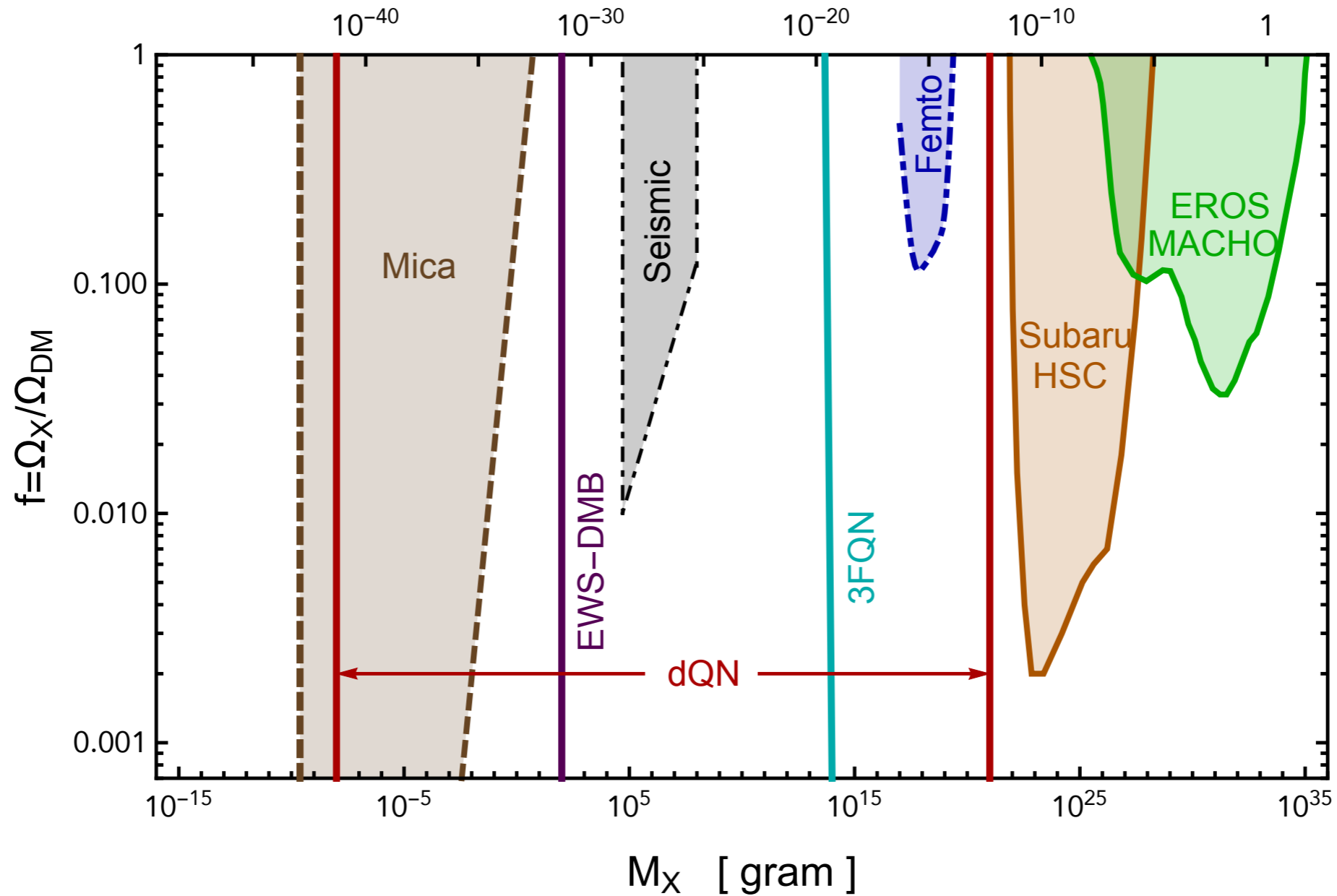
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Lensing



- ❖ **New ideas are needed to probe the gravitational interaction of macroscopic dark matter**

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Stochastic GW

- ❖ A first-order cosmological phase transition can generate a stochastic background of gravitational waves (GW)

$$\Omega_{\text{gw}} h^2 \approx \Omega_{\phi} h^2 + \Omega_{\text{sw}} h^2 + \Omega_{\text{turb}} h^2$$

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bubble collision
sound wave
turbulence

Hindmarsh, Huber, et. al., 1504.03291

- ❖ For the leading sound-wave contribution

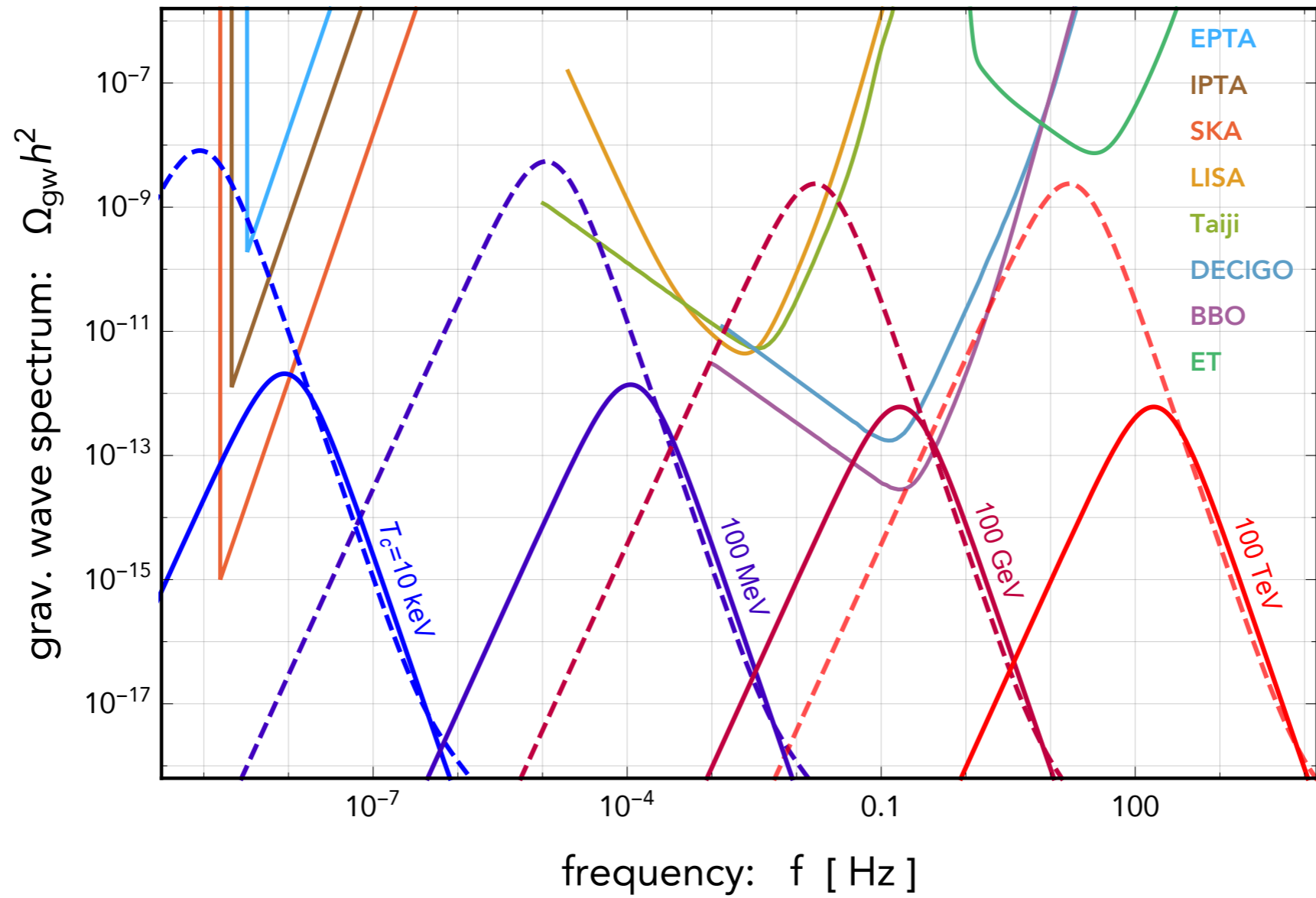
$$\Omega_{\text{sw}} h^2 = (8.5 \times 10^{-6}) \left(\frac{g_*}{100} \right)^{-1/3} \Gamma^2 \bar{U}_f^4 \left(\frac{\beta}{H} \right)^{-1} v_w \left(\frac{f}{f_{\text{sw}}} \right)^3 \left(\frac{7}{4 + 3(f/f_{\text{sw}})^2} \right)^{7/2}$$

$$f_{\text{sw}} = (8.9 \mu\text{Hz}) \frac{1}{v_w} \left(\frac{\beta}{H} \right) \left(\frac{z_p}{10} \right) \left(\frac{T_{\gamma,c}}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right) \left(\frac{g_*}{100} \right)^{1/6}$$

$$\bar{U}_f \approx \sqrt{(3/4) \kappa_f \alpha}$$

$$\kappa_f = \frac{\alpha^{2/5}}{0.017 + (0.997 + \alpha)^{2/5}}$$

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$(\alpha, \beta/H) = (0.1, 10^4)$ (solid) and $(1, 10^3)$ (dashed)

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Direct Detection

- ❖ The masses of dark matter balls are heavy, above the Planck mass. So, its flux is small. One needs a **large volume detector** to search for it.

$$1 \sim \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}}{m_{\text{DM}}} v A_{\text{det}} t_{\text{exp}} \sim \frac{10^{21} \text{ GeV}}{m_{\text{DM}}} \frac{A_{\text{det}}}{5 \times 10^5 \text{ cm}^2} \frac{t_{\text{exp}}}{10 \text{ yr}}$$

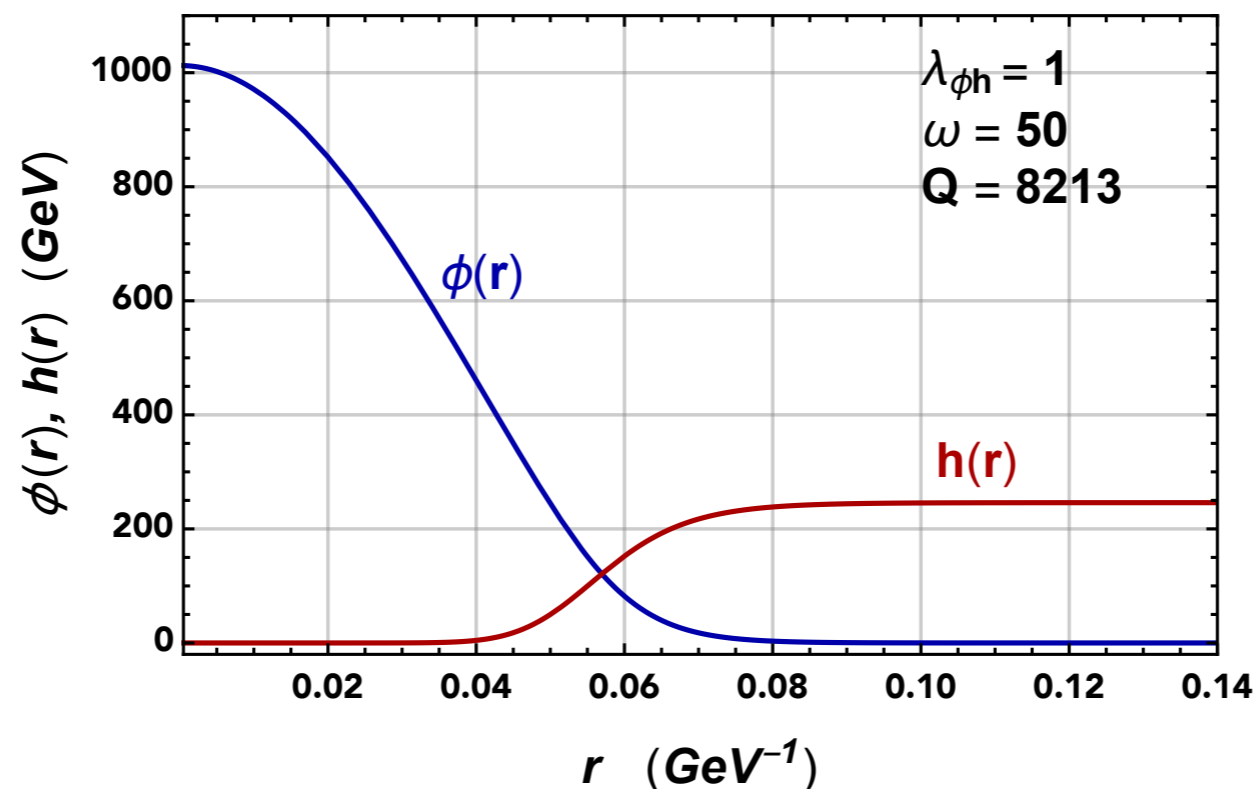
- ❖ Because the cross section is large, it may have **multiple scattering** with the material in a detector

$$\Gamma = n_A \sigma_{\text{DM-ball}} \bar{v}_{\text{rel}}$$

$$E_{\text{sum}} \sim \Gamma \times t_{\text{select}} \times \langle E_R \rangle \times \kappa \sim N_{\text{scattering}} \times 10 \text{ keV} \times \kappa$$

Direct Detection of EWS-DMB

- ❖ The energy density of electroweak symmetric dark matter ball has $\rho \sim (100 \text{ GeV})^4$, and very dense



- ❖ When SM particle (nucleon) scattering off the DMB, it will feel a different mass from the zero Higgs VEV inside DMB

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -m_N \bar{N}N - y_{hNN}(h - v) \bar{N}N \quad y_{hNN} \approx 0.0011$$

Scattering off a Square Well

- ❖ This becomes a QM homework problem.
- ❖ For a small R , one could just use the Born-approximation
- ❖ For a large R , bound states exist

$$-\cot\left(\sqrt{E^2 - m_N^2 + y_{hNN}^2 v^2} R\right) = \sqrt{\frac{m_N^2 - E^2}{E^2 - m_N^2 + y_{hNN}^2 v^2}}$$

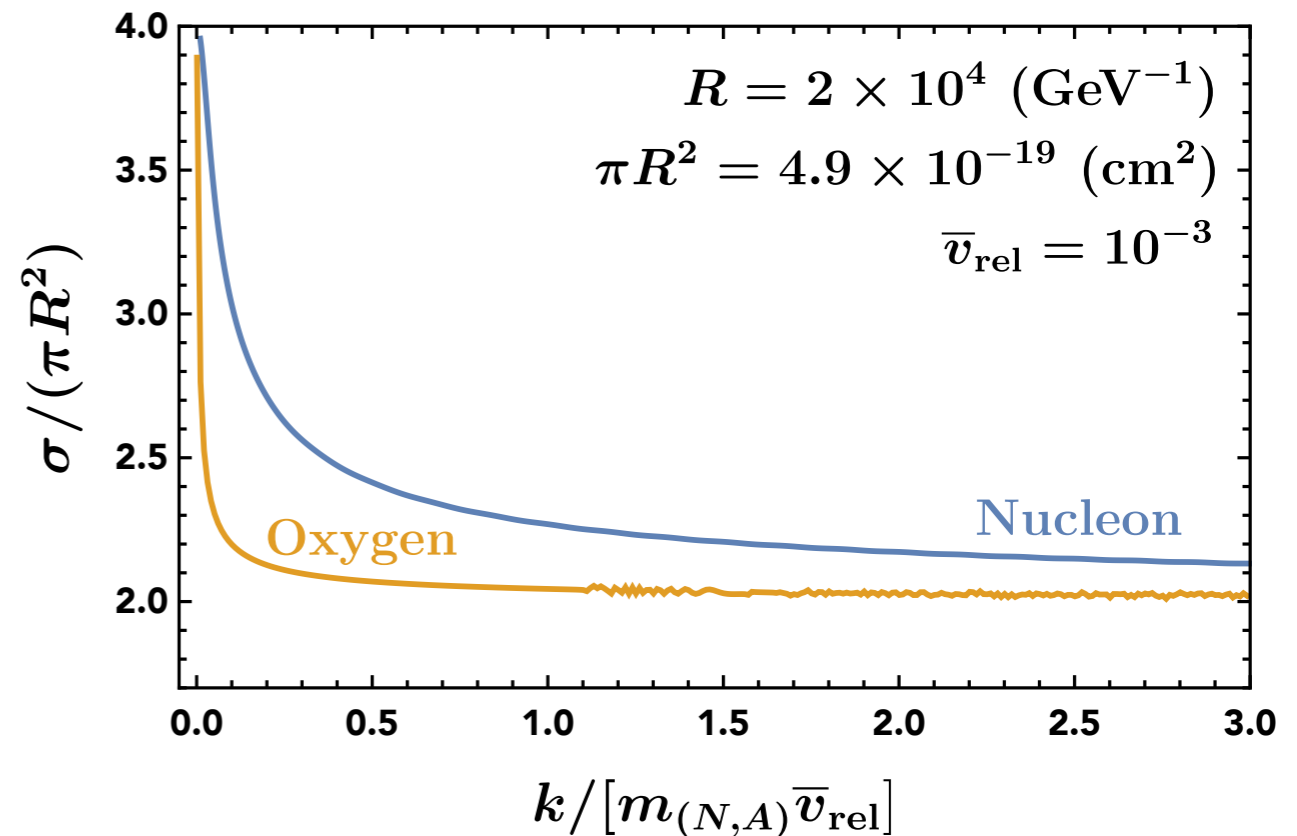
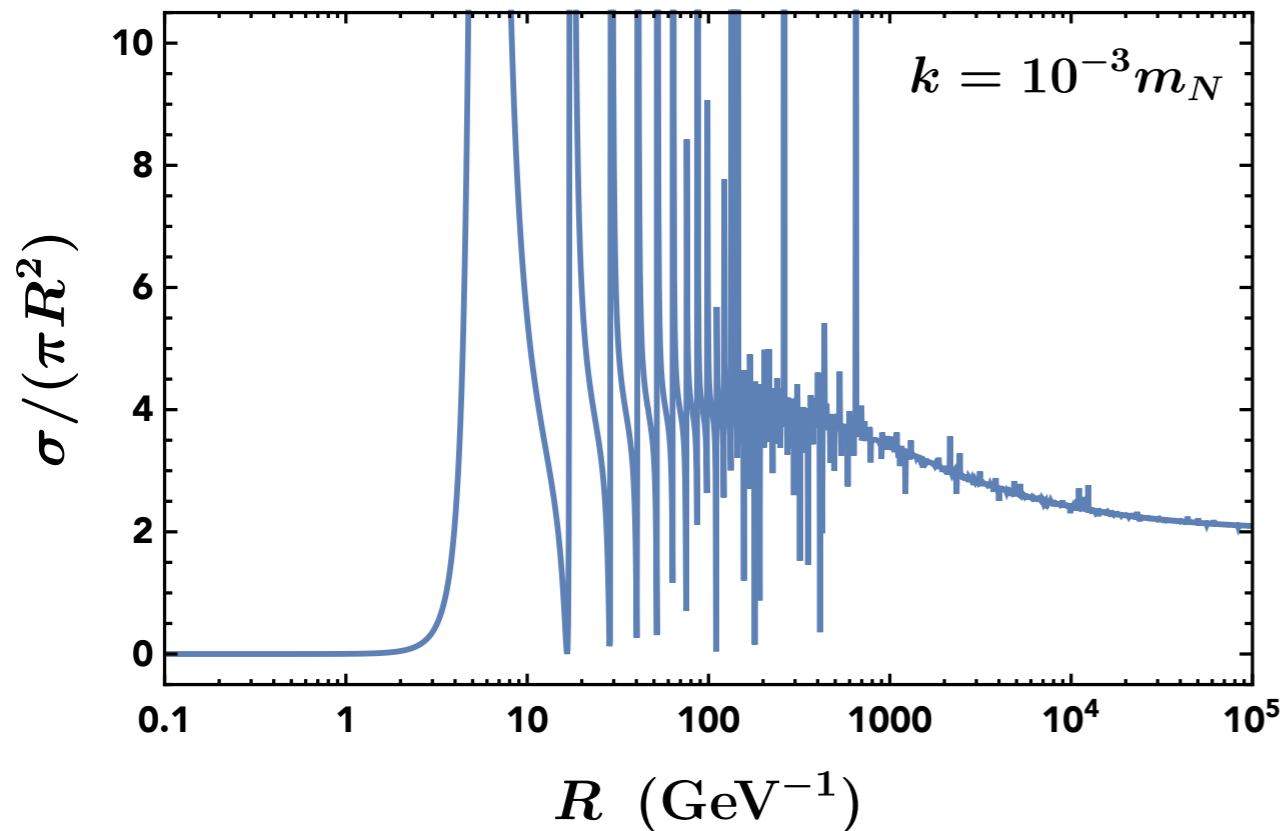
- ❖ The threshold radius for an s-wave bound state is

$$R_{\text{th}} = \frac{\pi}{2 y_{hNN} v} = 5.8 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

- ❖ One can perform a partial-wave expansion and sum them together to obtain the total scattering cross section

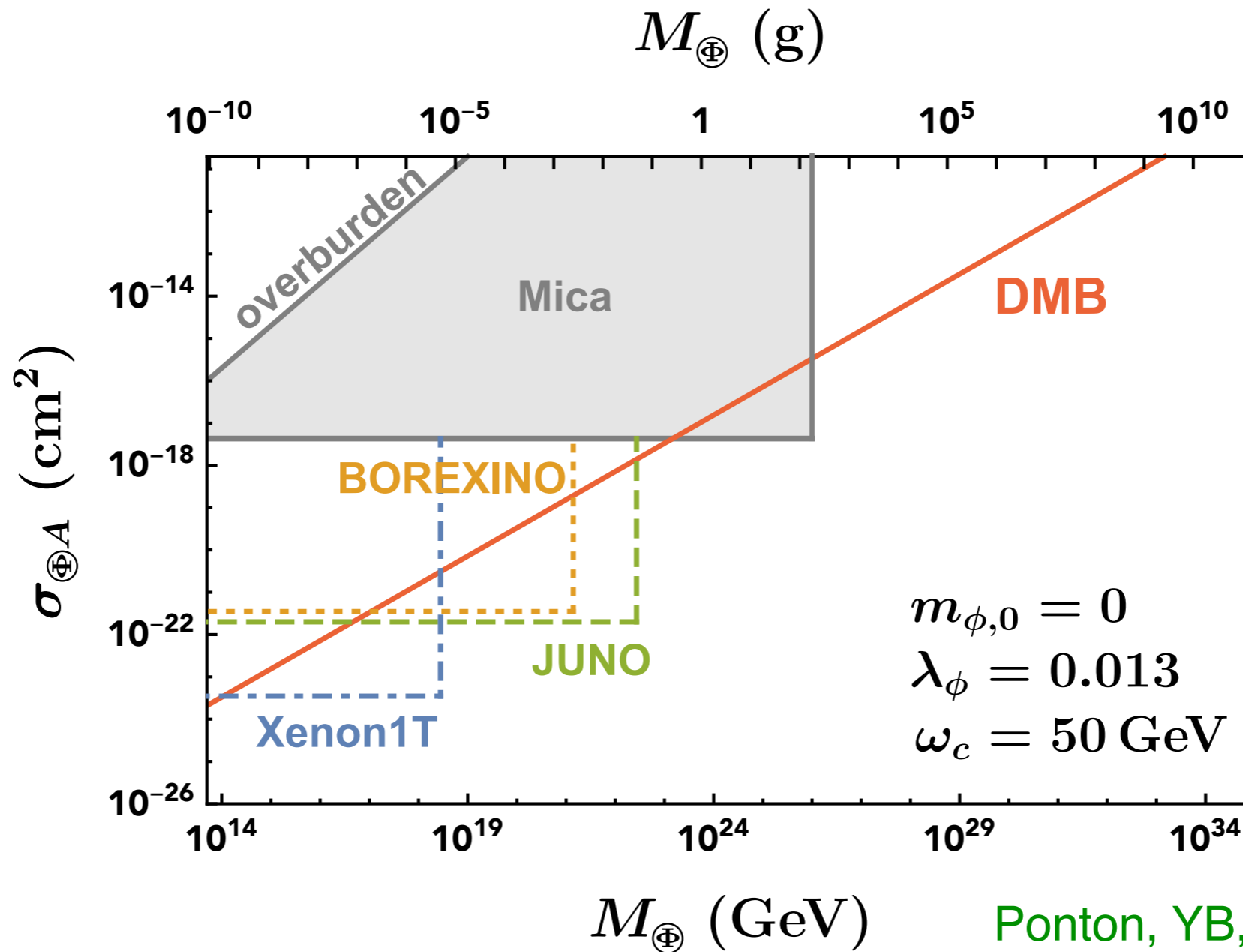
$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum_l (2l + 1) \sin^2 \delta_l$$

Scattering Cross Sections



- ❖ **The cross sections change from a hard sphere $4\pi R^2$ to $2\pi R^2$**
- ❖ **They are insensitive to the target nucleon or nucleus masses**

Direct Detection

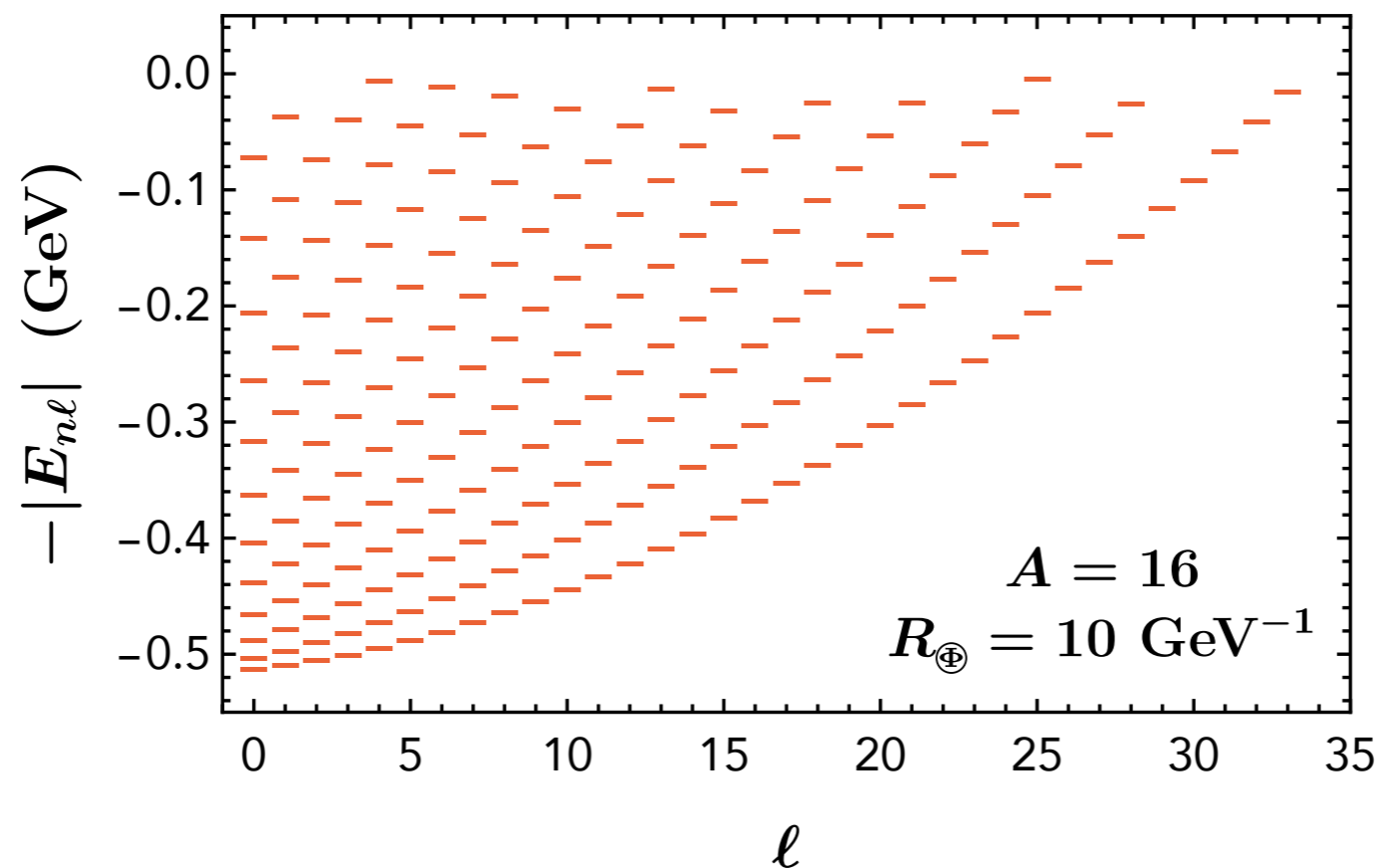
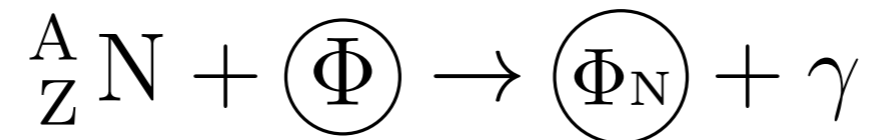


Ponton, YB, Jain, 1906.10739

- ❖ Experiments with an energy threshold lower than ~ 1 MeV have chance to detect elastic scattering of DMB

Radiative Capture of Nucleus by Dark Matter

- ❖ Just like hydrogen formation from electron and proton



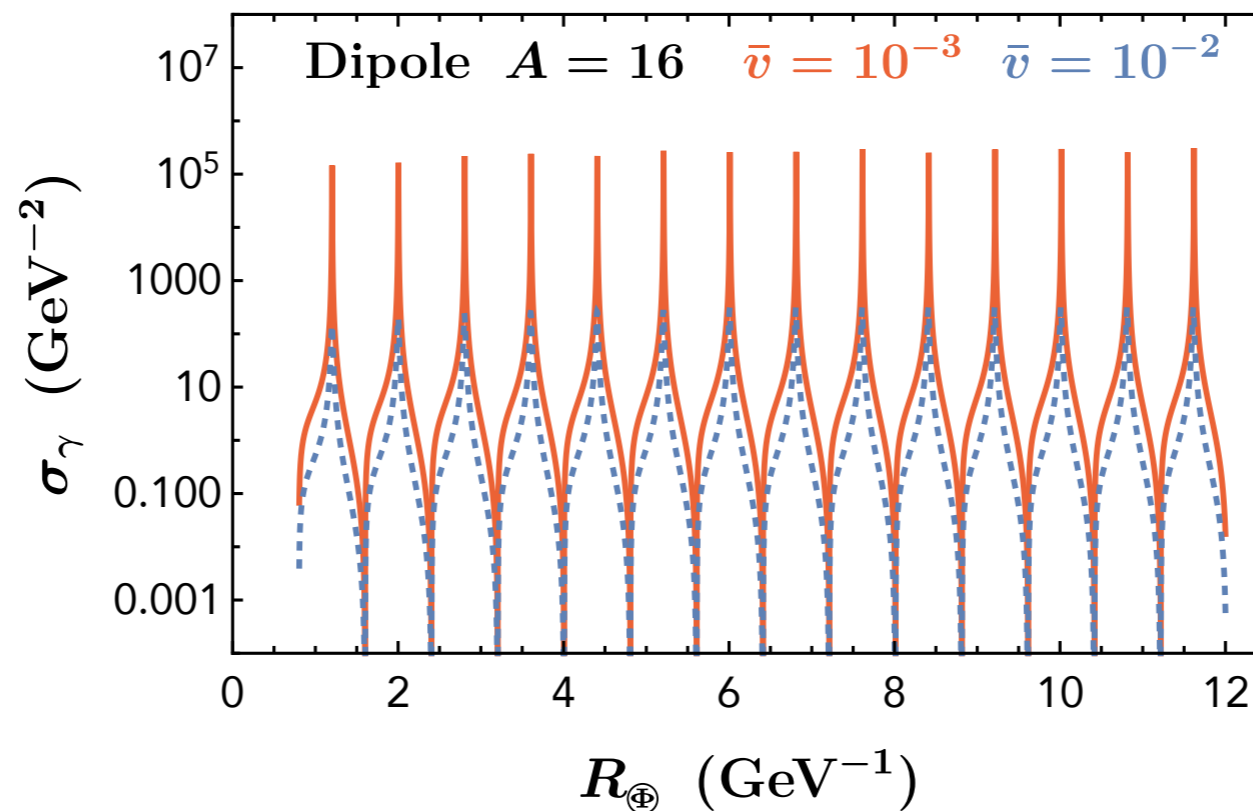
- ❖ Except that one needs to go beyond the dipole approximation

Radiative Capture Cross Section

$$\mathcal{M}_{nlm} = \frac{1}{2\mu} Z e \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^* \cdot \int d^3x e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{x}} [\nabla \psi_{nlm}^*(\mathbf{x}) \psi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) - \psi_{nlm}^*(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \psi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})]$$

$$\sigma_{\gamma,nl} = \frac{1}{v} \int d\Omega \frac{|E_{nl}|}{8\pi^2} \sum_m |\mathcal{M}_{nlm}|^2$$

❖ **Dipole limit:** $qR_{\oplus} \ll 1$

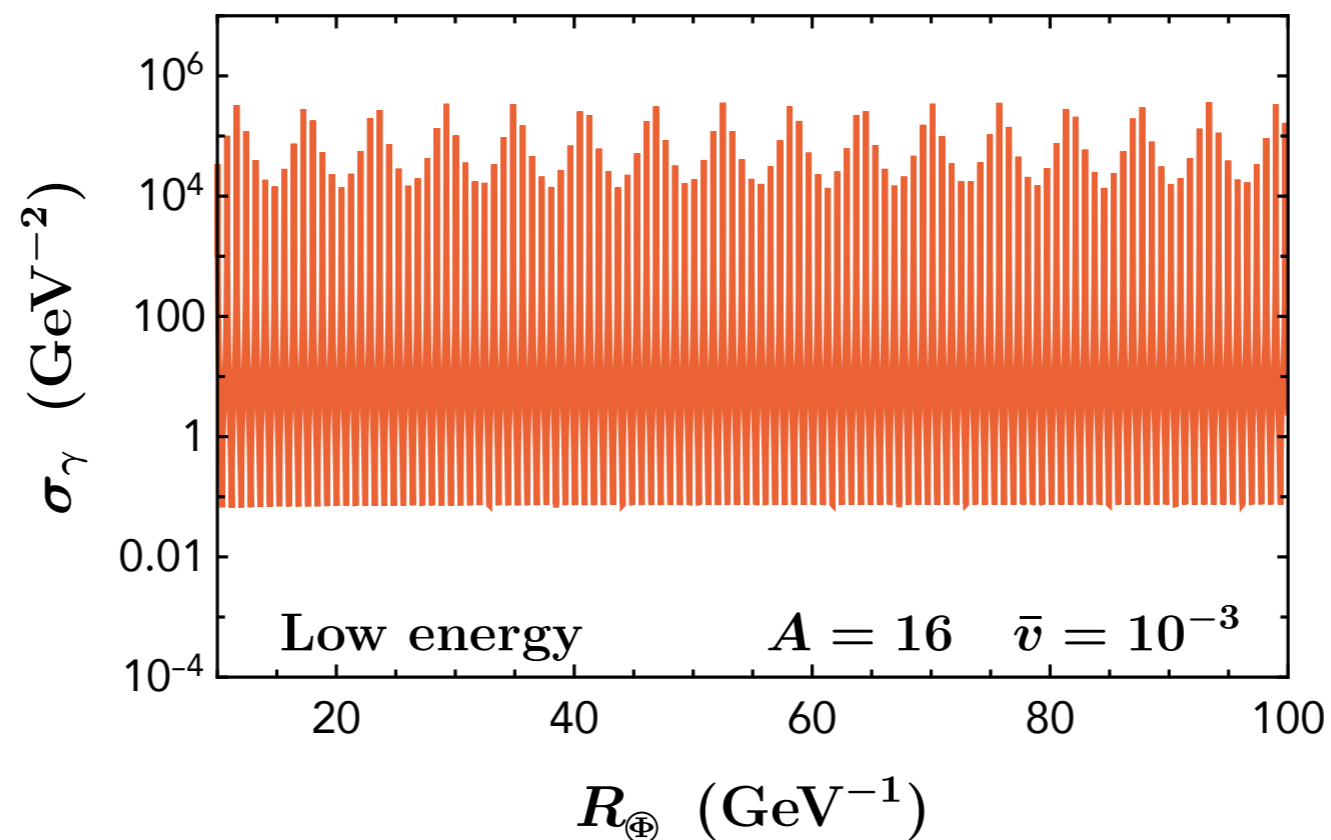


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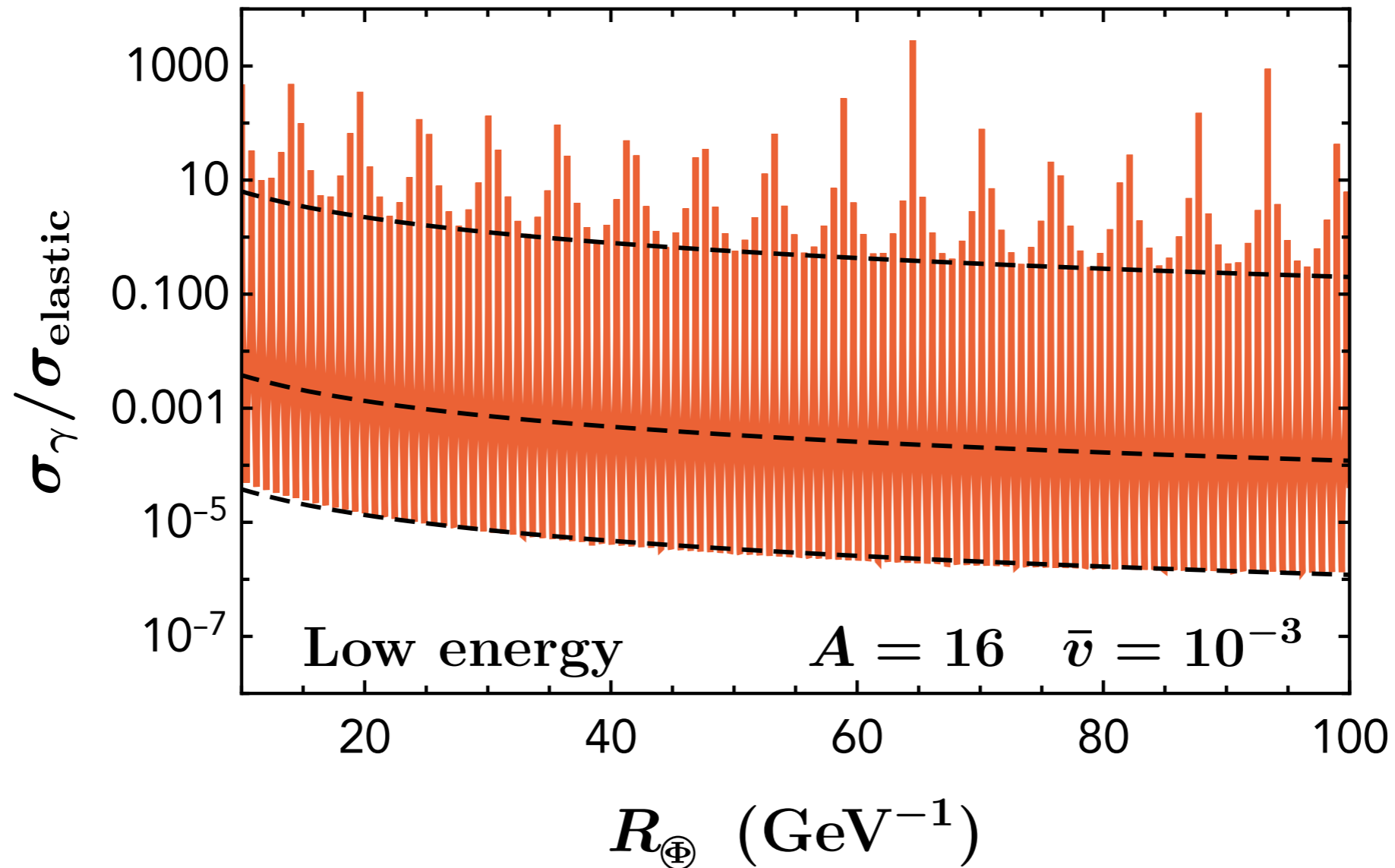
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❖ **Lower-energy limit:** $kR_{\oplus} \ll 1$

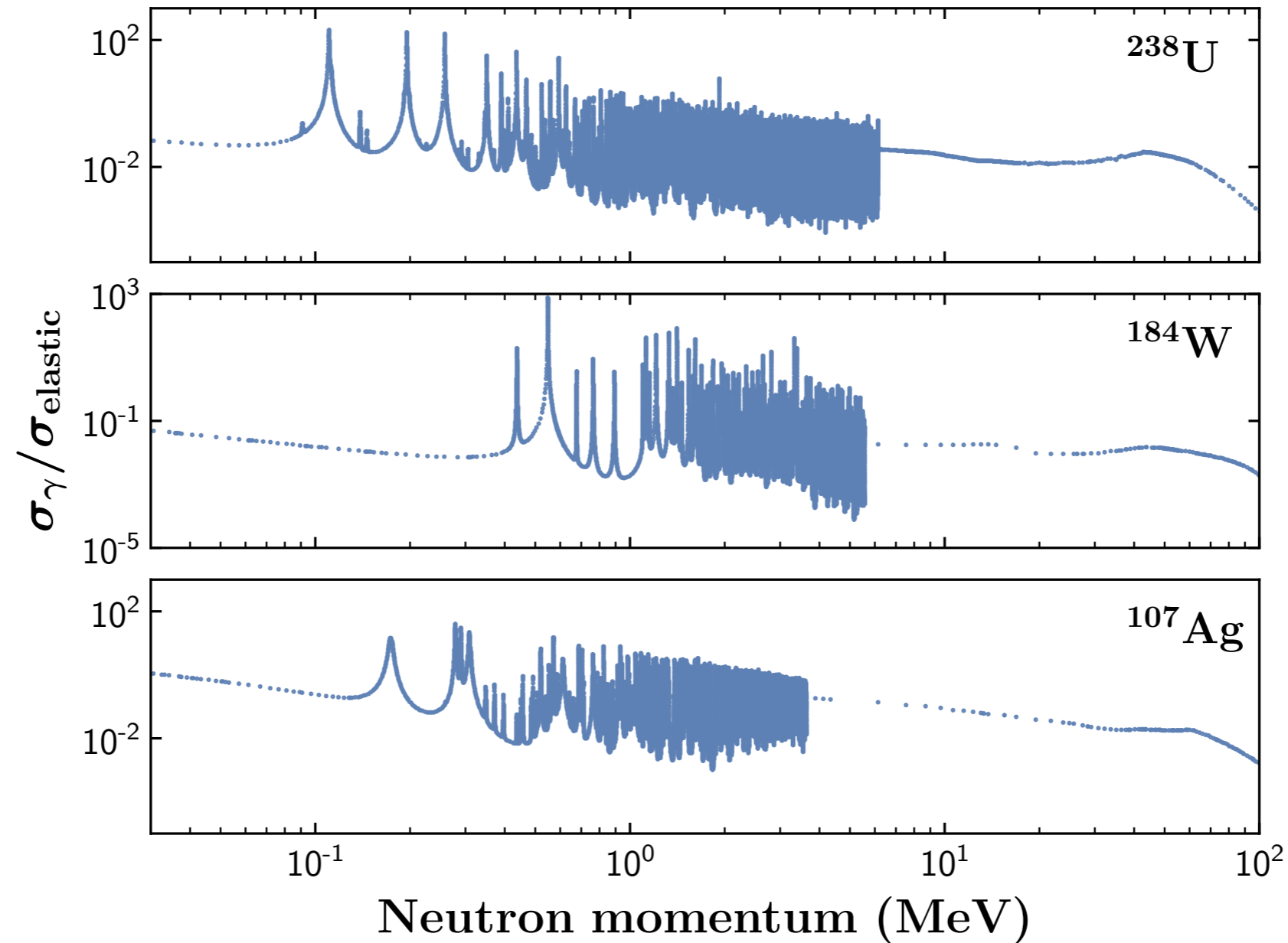


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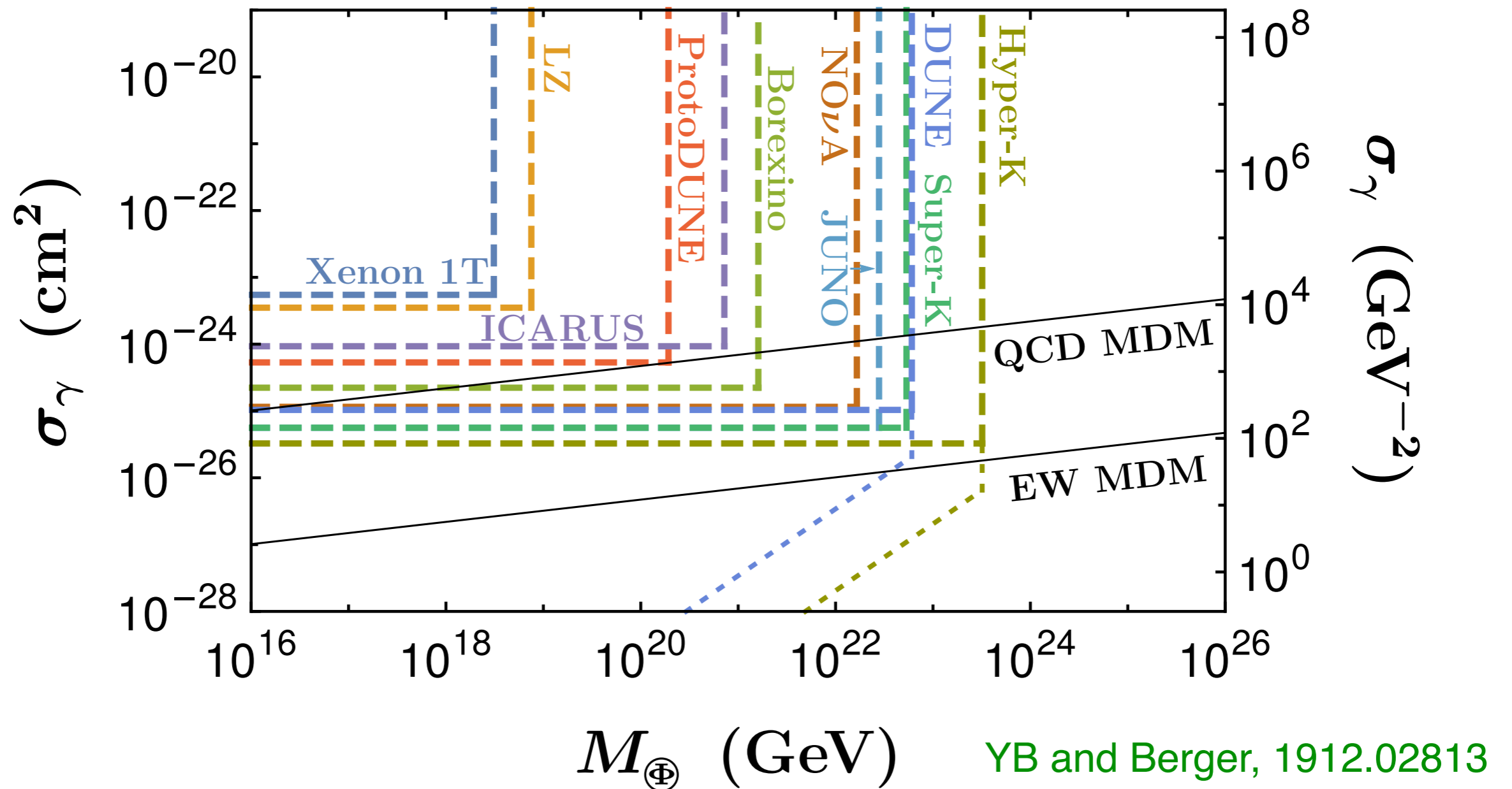
YB and Berger, 1912.02813

Radiative Capture Cross Section



- ❖ Obtain the similar behaviors as neutron capture by a large nucleus

Detection Sensitivity



- ❖ Working in progress with experimentalists to apply the actual data to search for MDM

Conclusions

- ❖ **Macroscopic dark matter appears in several simple models**
- ❖ **Non-trivial phase transitions in the early universe generate dark matter in a state different from zero-temperature vacua**
- ❖ **For dark QCD, the dark quark nugget is in the dark QCD unconfining phase and has a wide range of masses**
- ❖ **For Higgs-portal dark matter, the non-topological soliton dark matter is in the electroweak symmetric phase**
- ❖ **An experiment with a large volume and a long-exposure time would be ideal to search for dark matter balls with multi-scattering events**

Thanks!