

Neutrino mass from Astro- to Particle Physics

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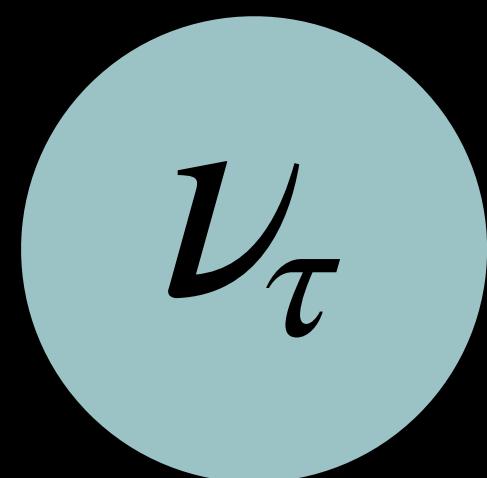
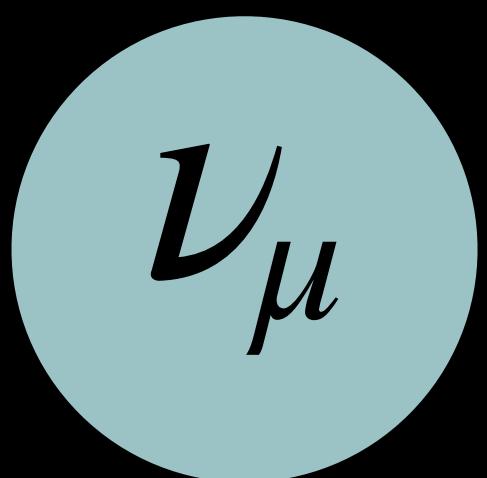
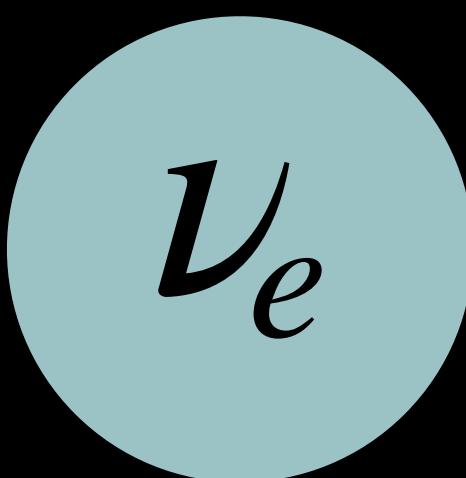
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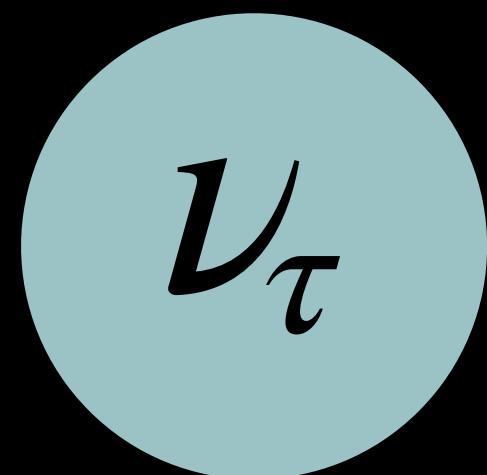
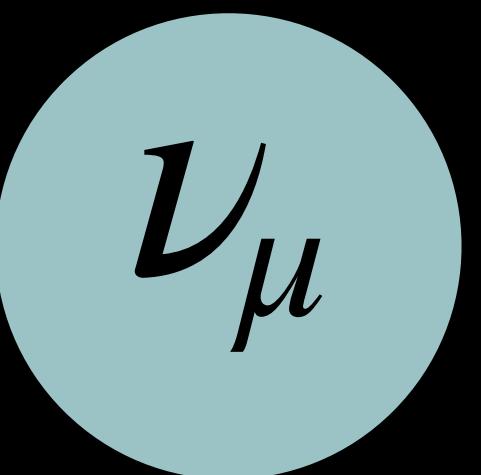
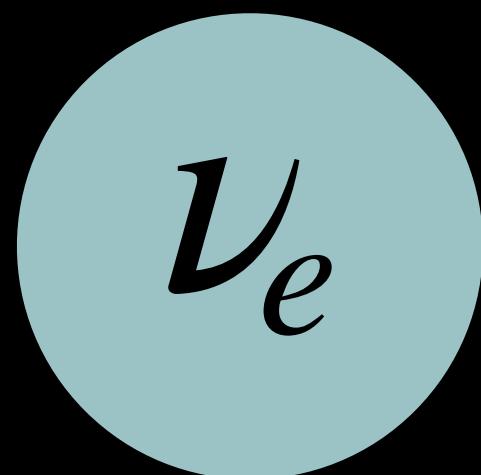
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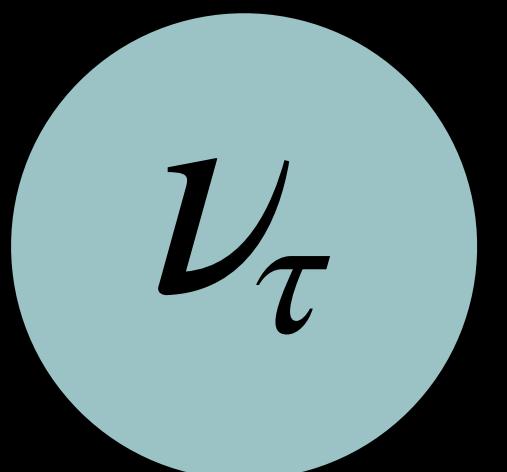
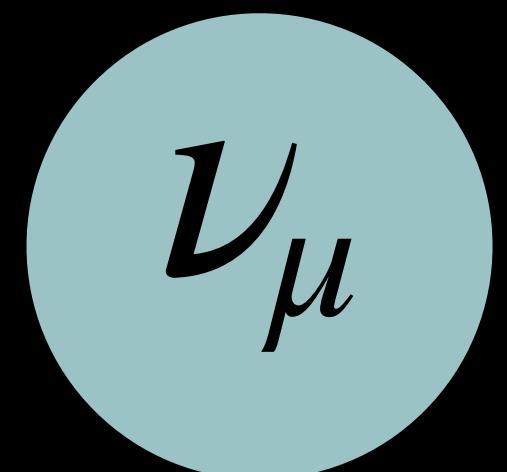
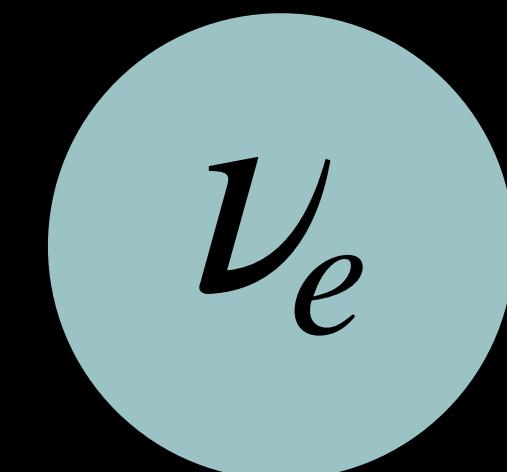
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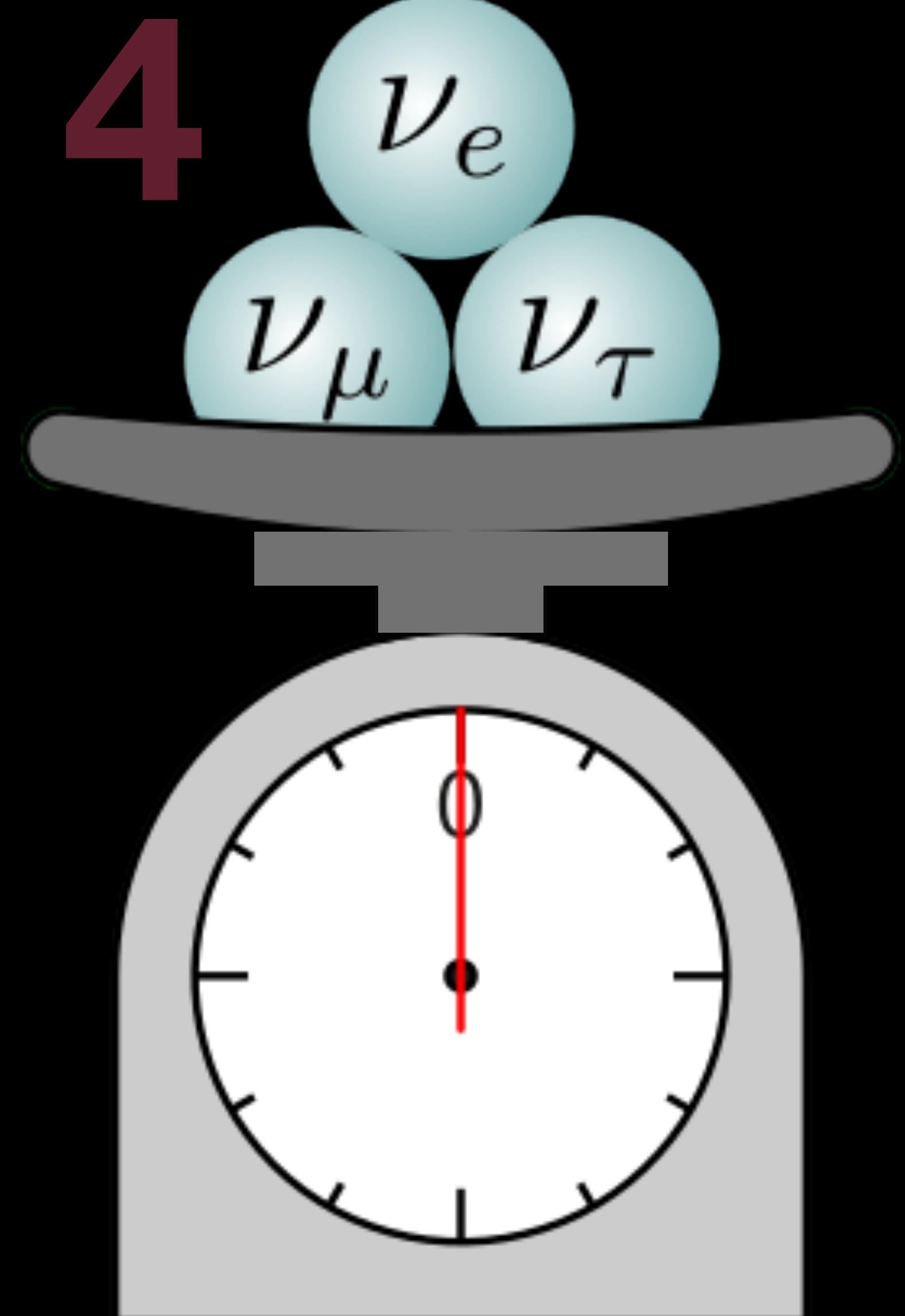
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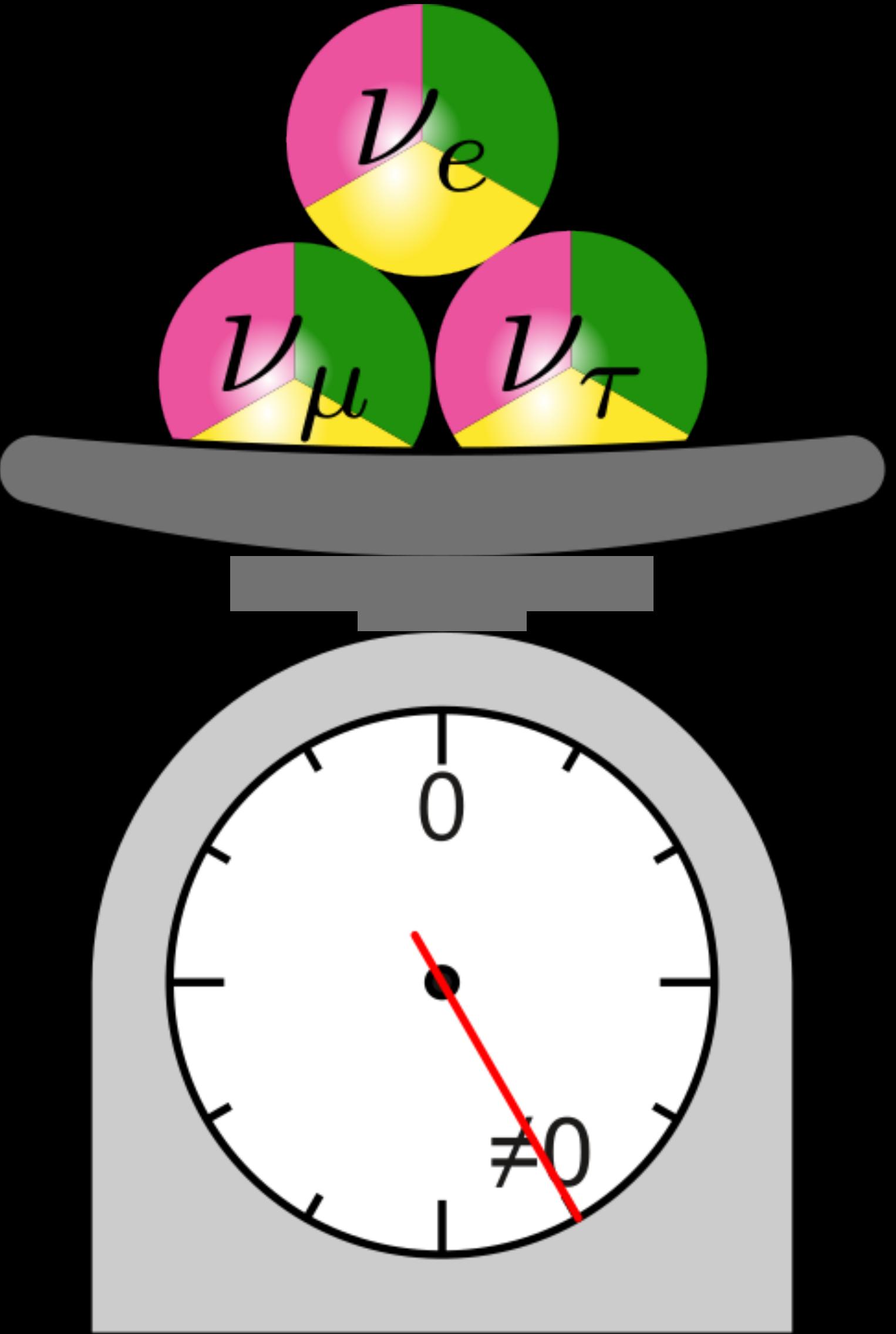


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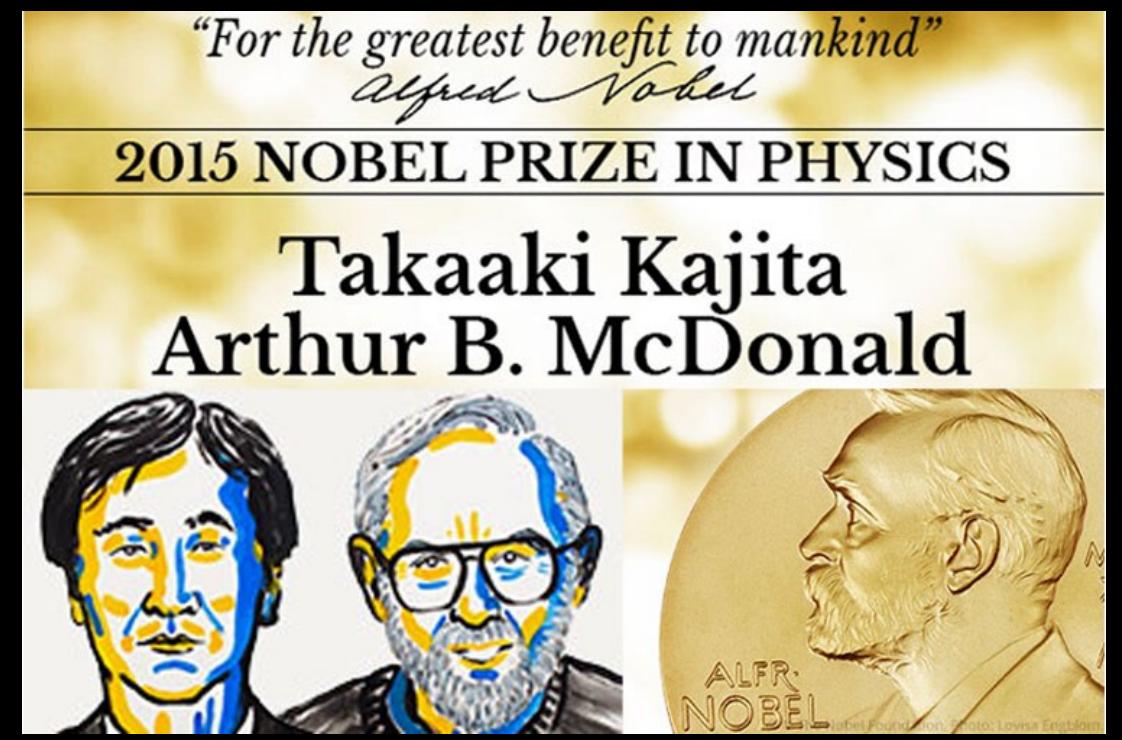
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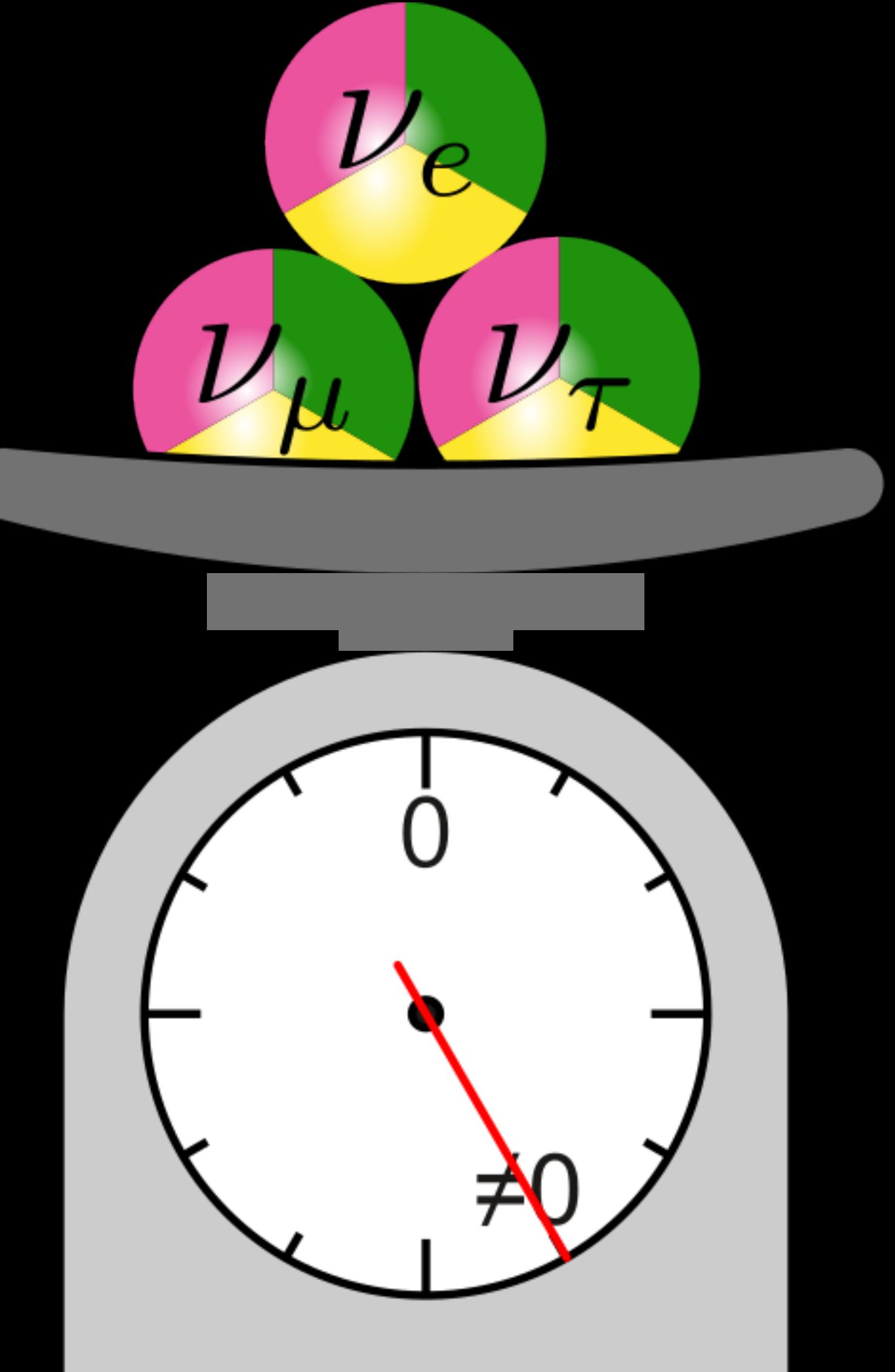


"For the discovery of neutrino oscillations, which shows that neutrinos have mass"

$$\nu_\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{\alpha i} \nu_i$$

A cartoon illustration of three anthropomorphic neutrino particles standing on a seesaw scale. From left to right: a yellow neutrino labeled τ , an orange neutrino labeled e (with a smiling face), and a teal neutrino labeled μ . The scale is balanced horizontally, indicating they have equal mass.

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = \sin^2(2\vartheta) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E}\right)$$



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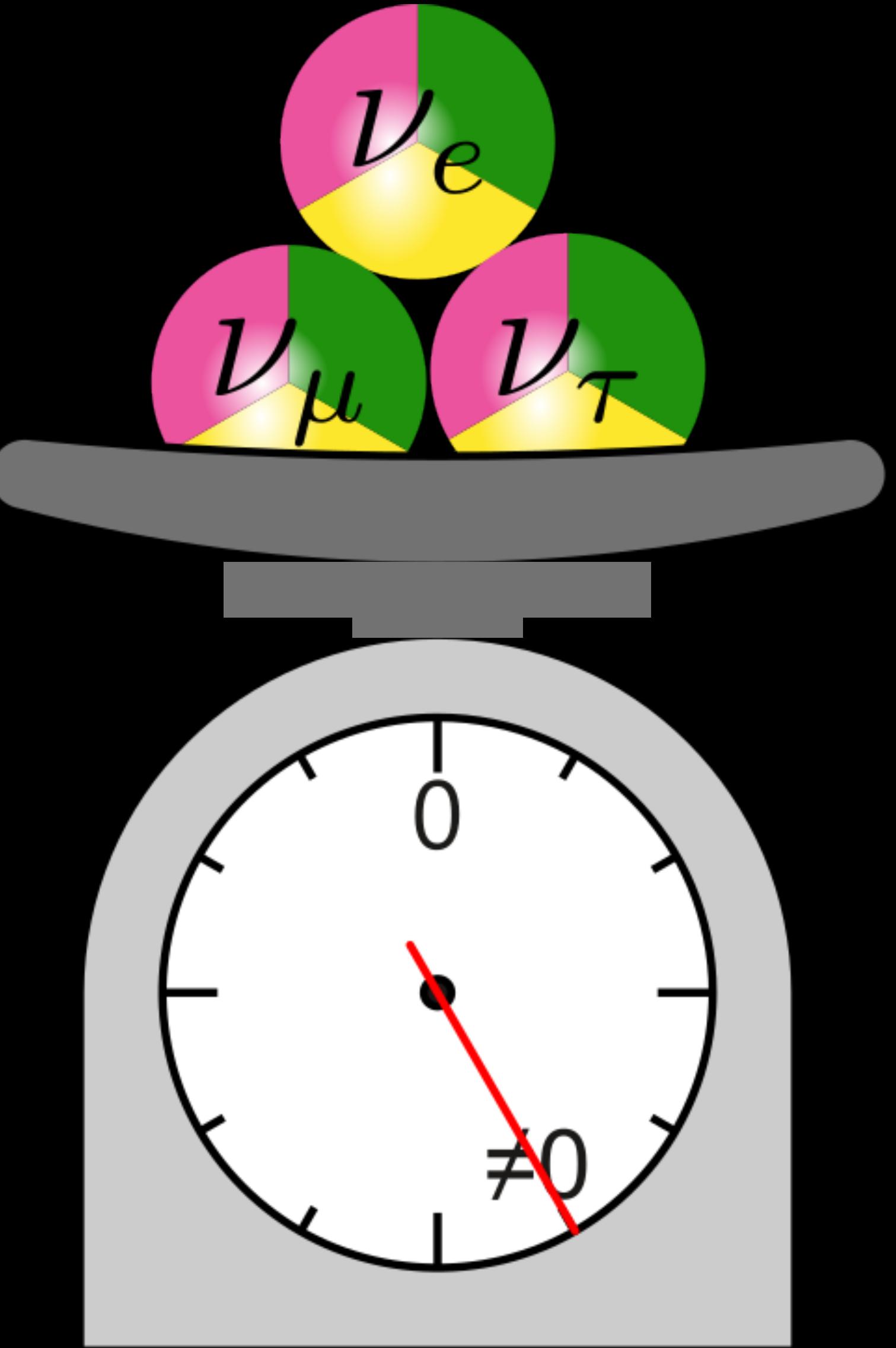
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Alma (Eso/Naoj/Nrao), Nasa/Esa Hubble Space Telescope, Nasa Chandra X-Ray Observatory

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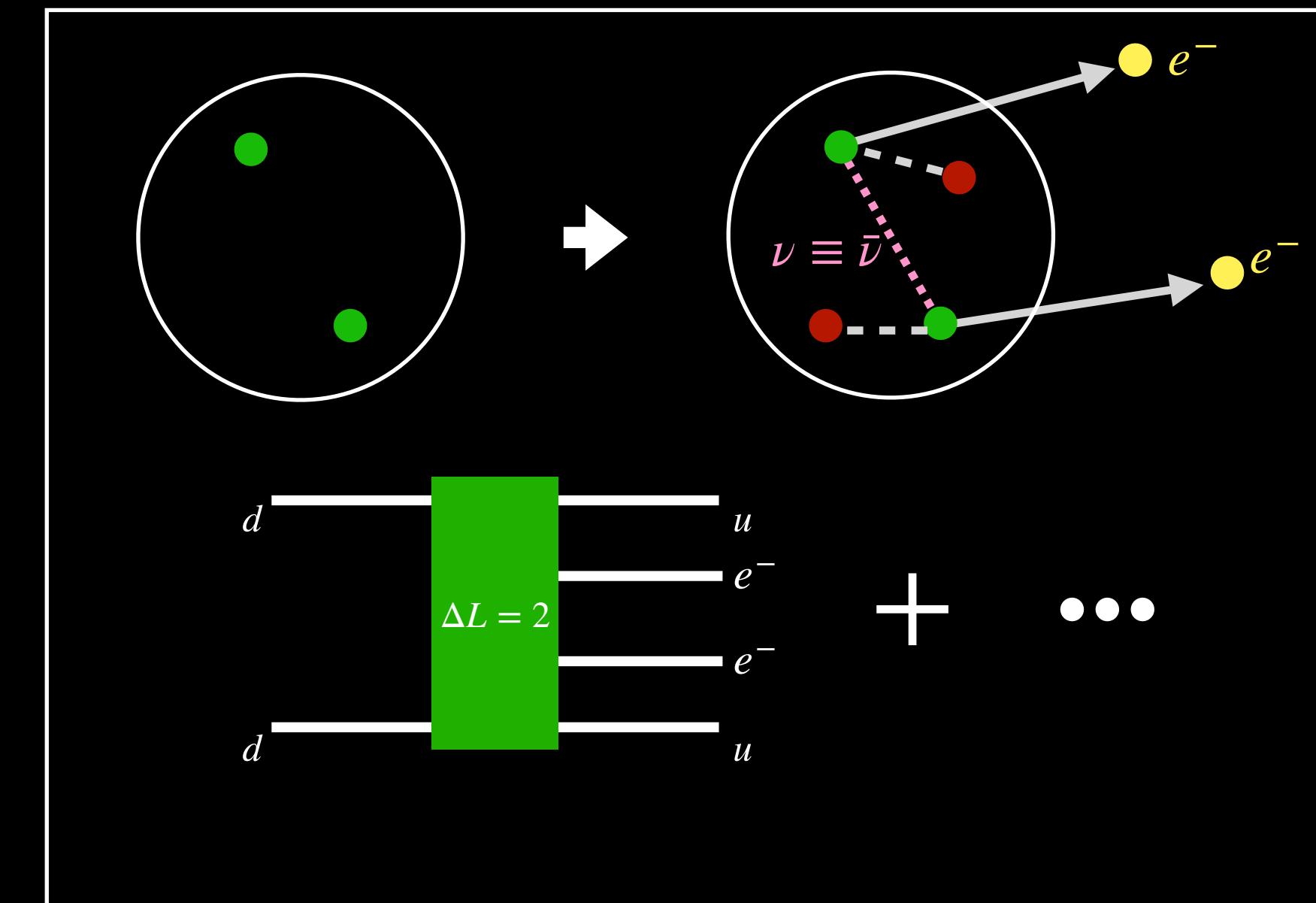
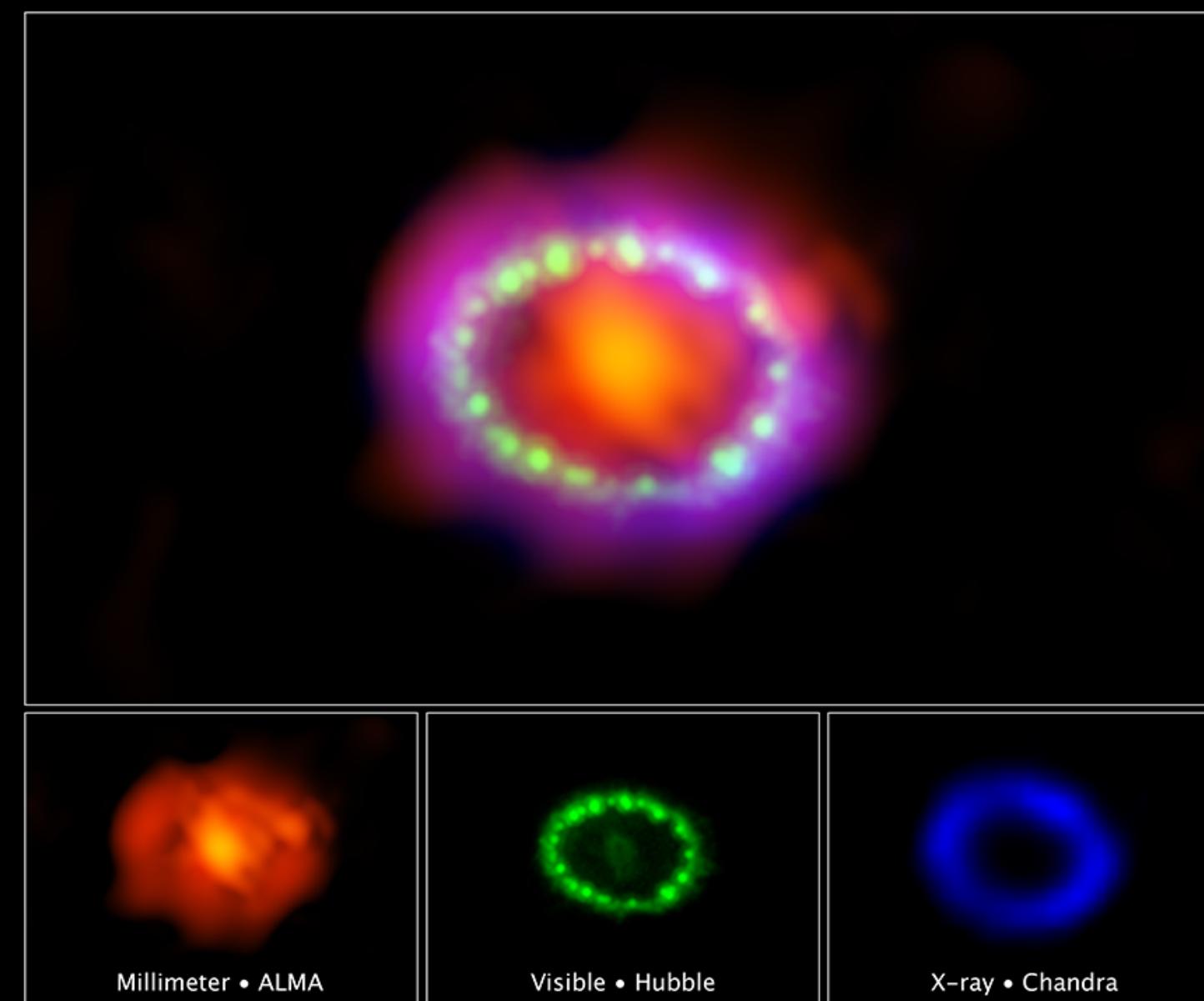
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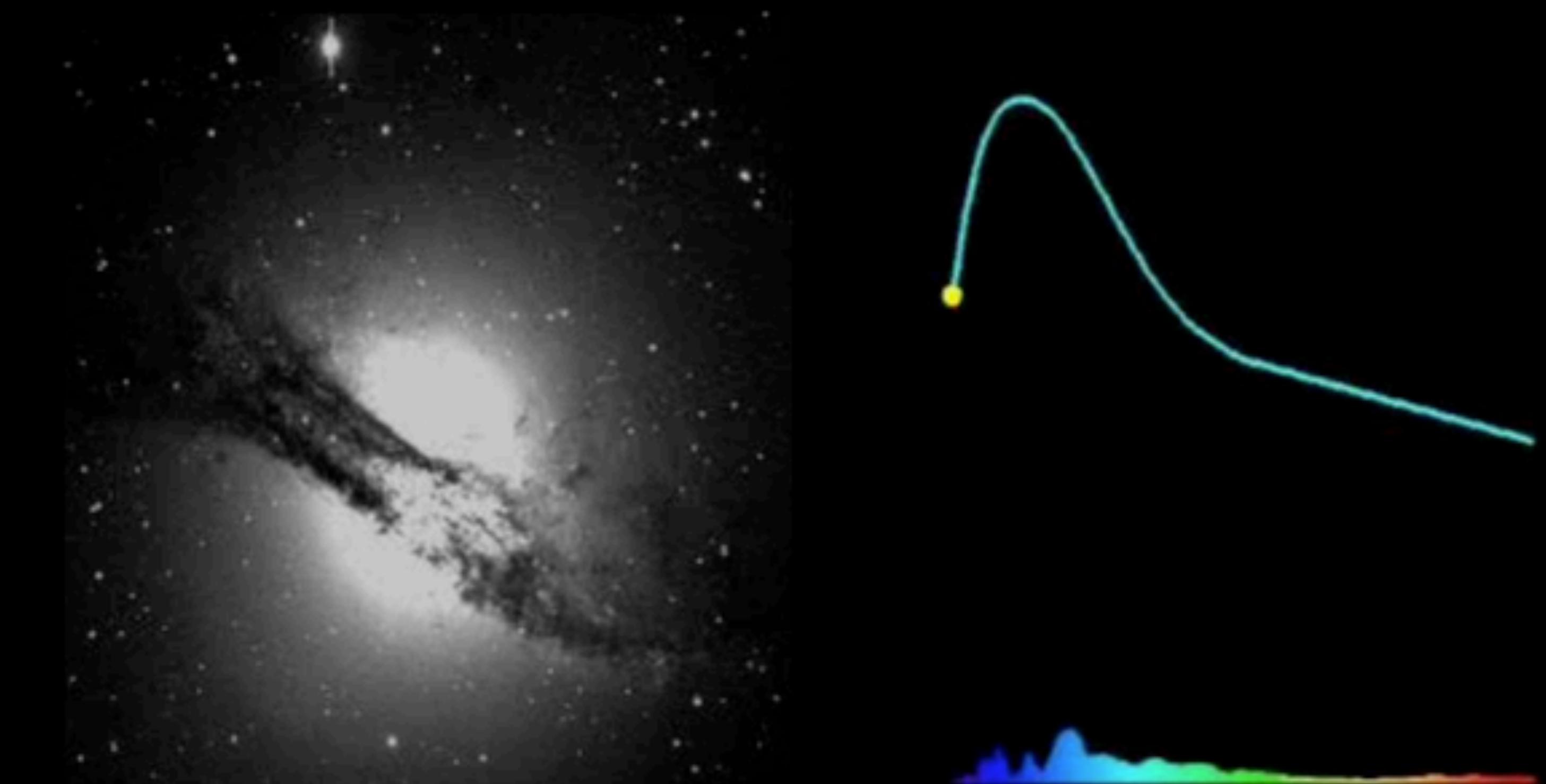
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Core-collapse Supernovae

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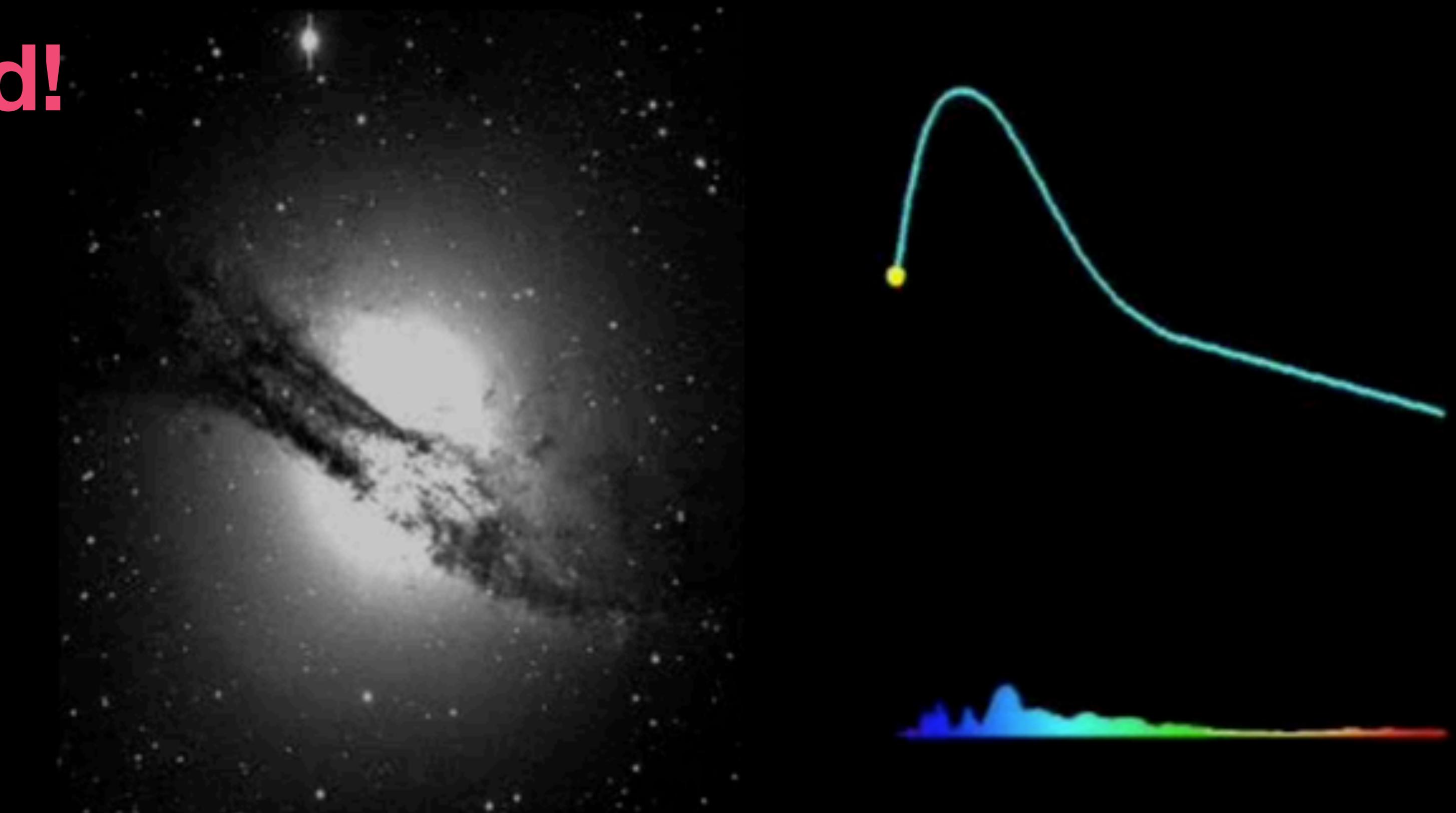


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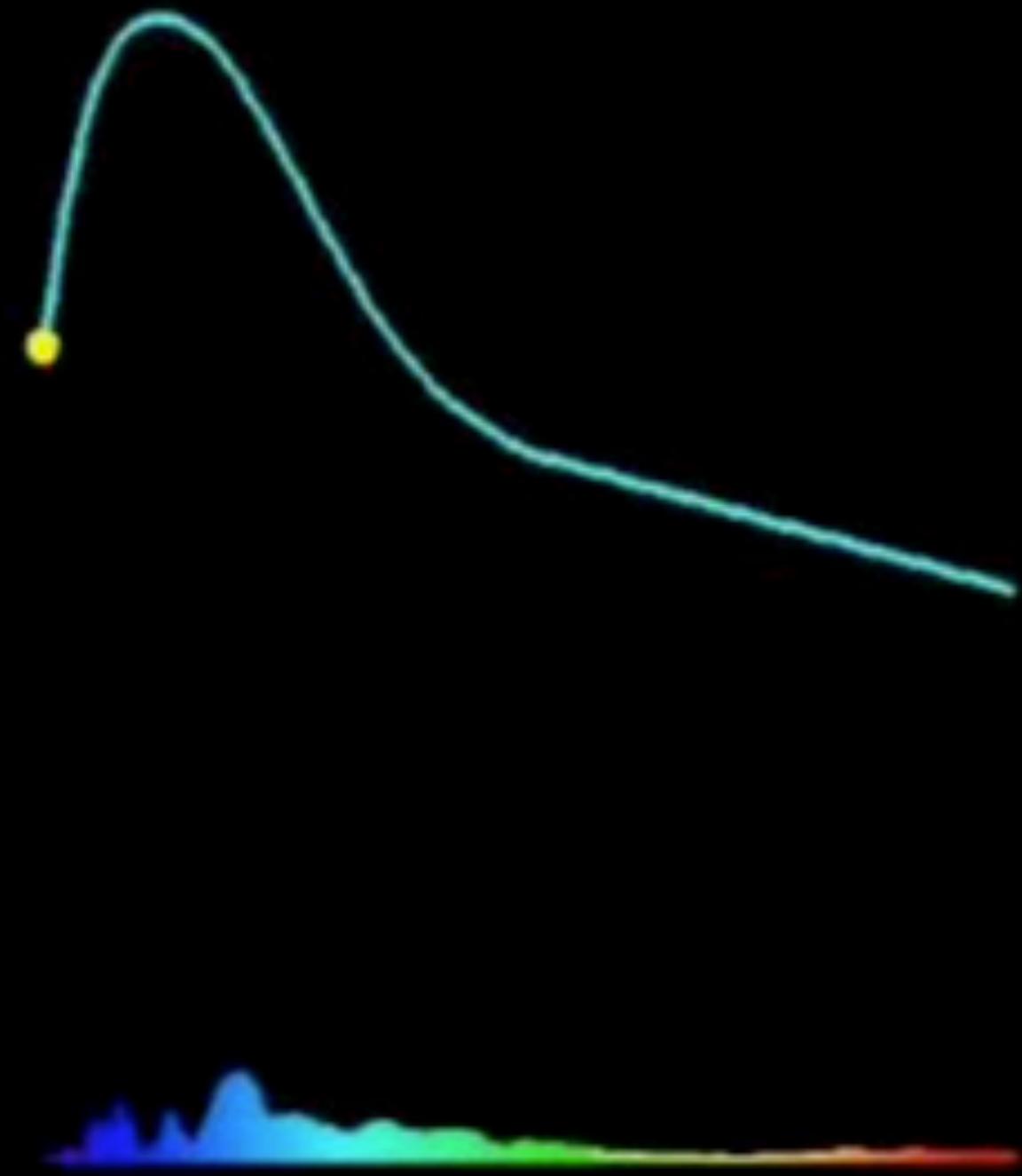
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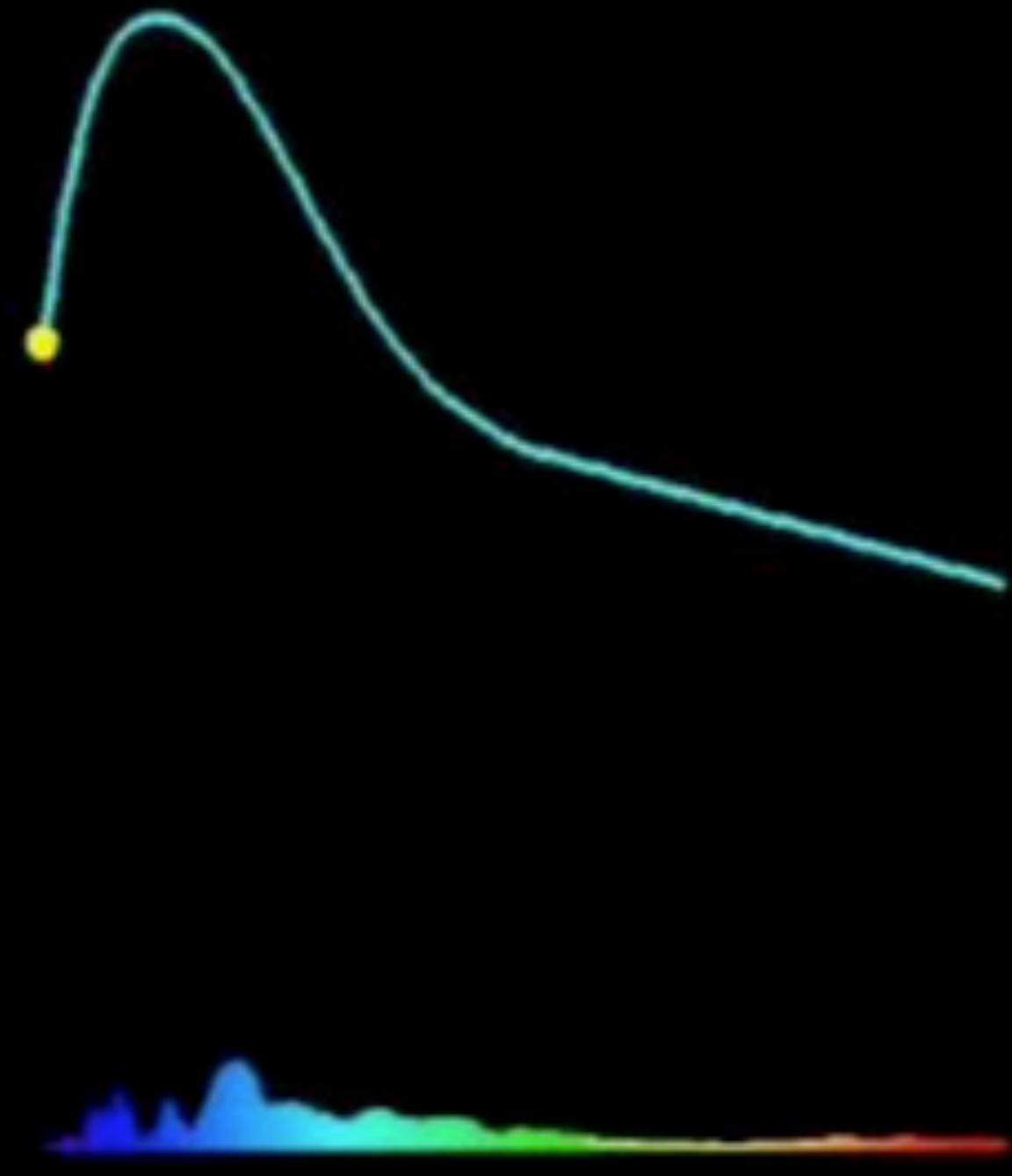
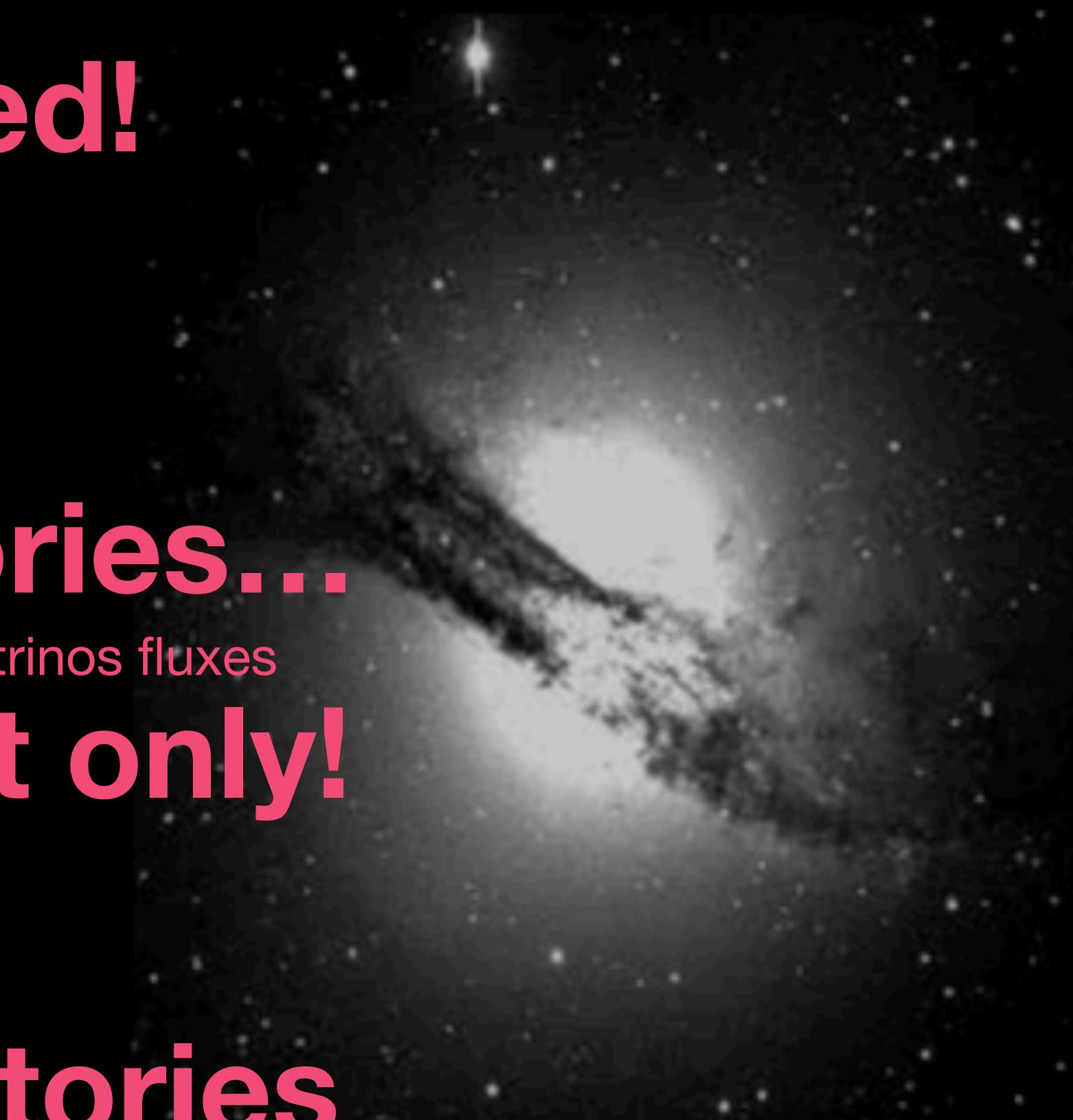
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the next one will occur!
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Supernova bursts in galaxies

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Rate $\sim 0.01/\text{yr}$

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J. Beacom (TAUP2011)

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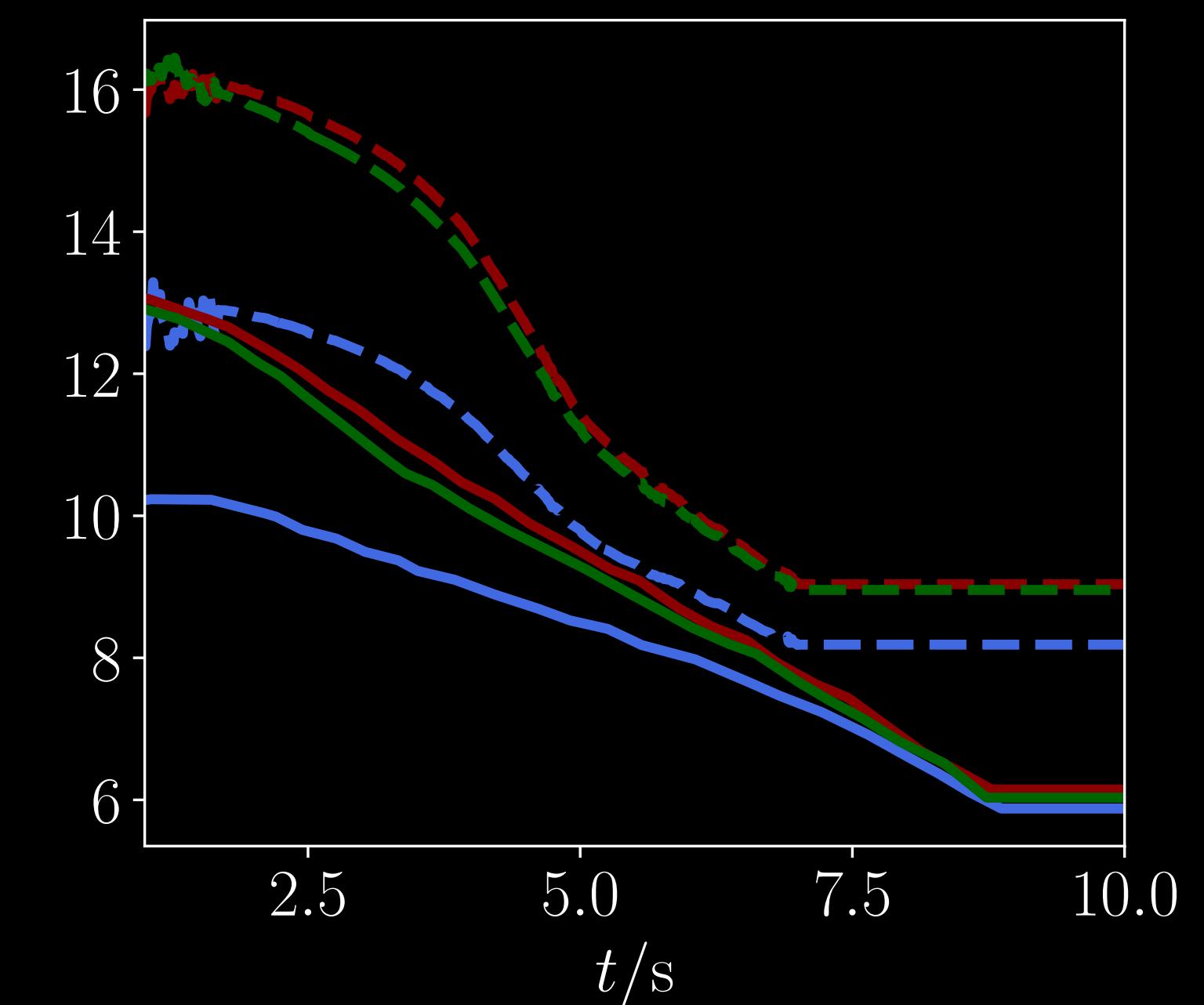
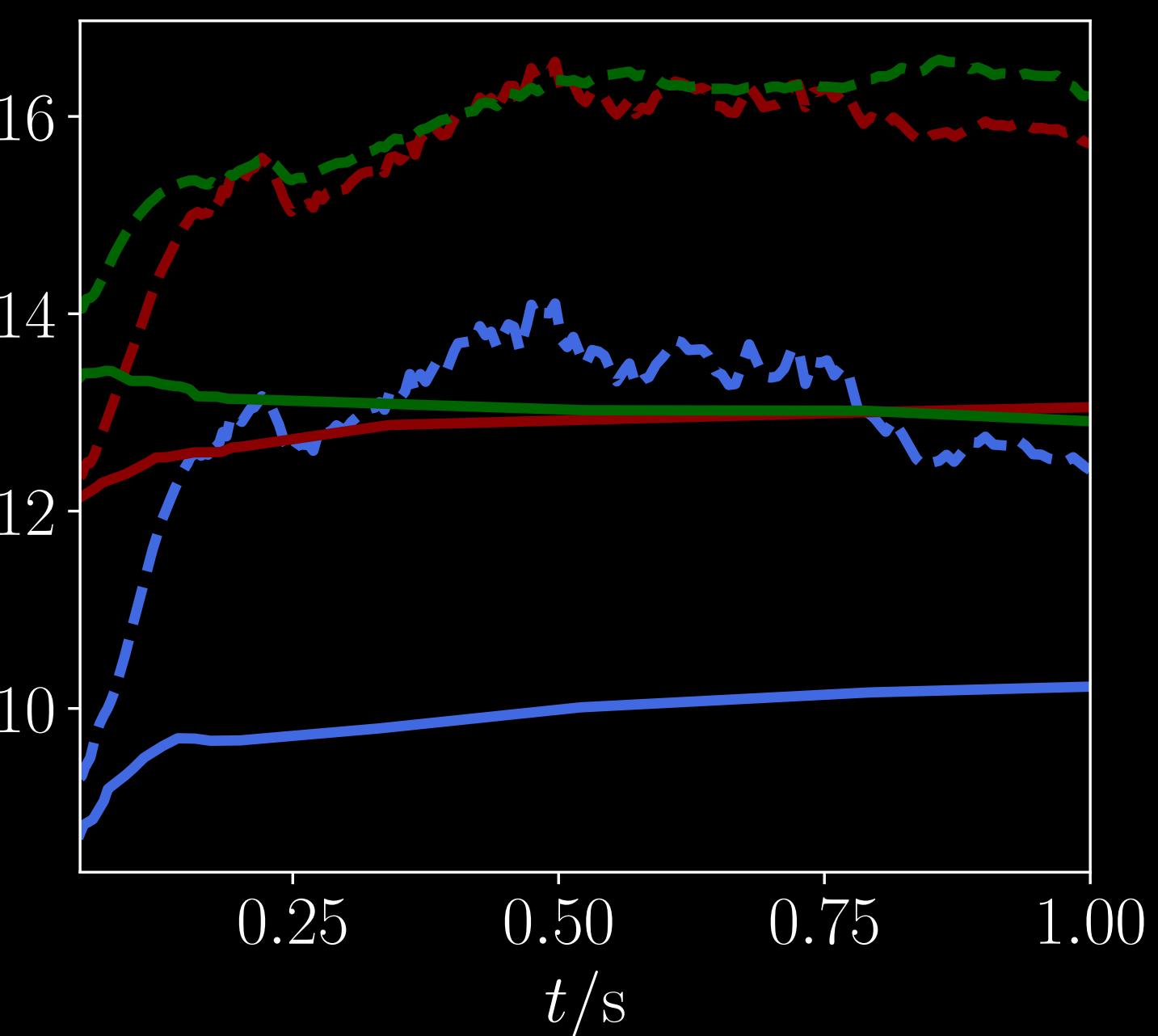
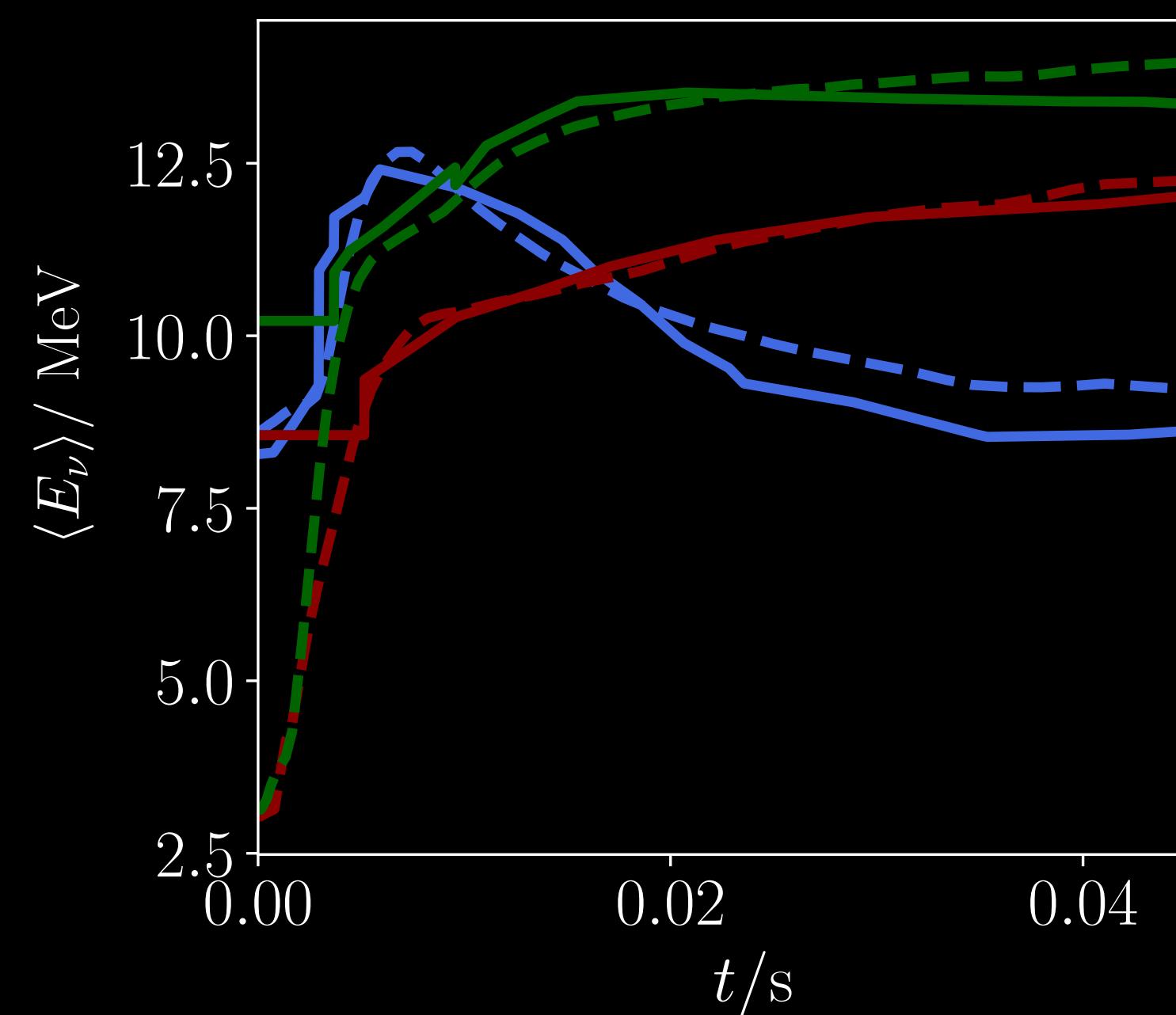
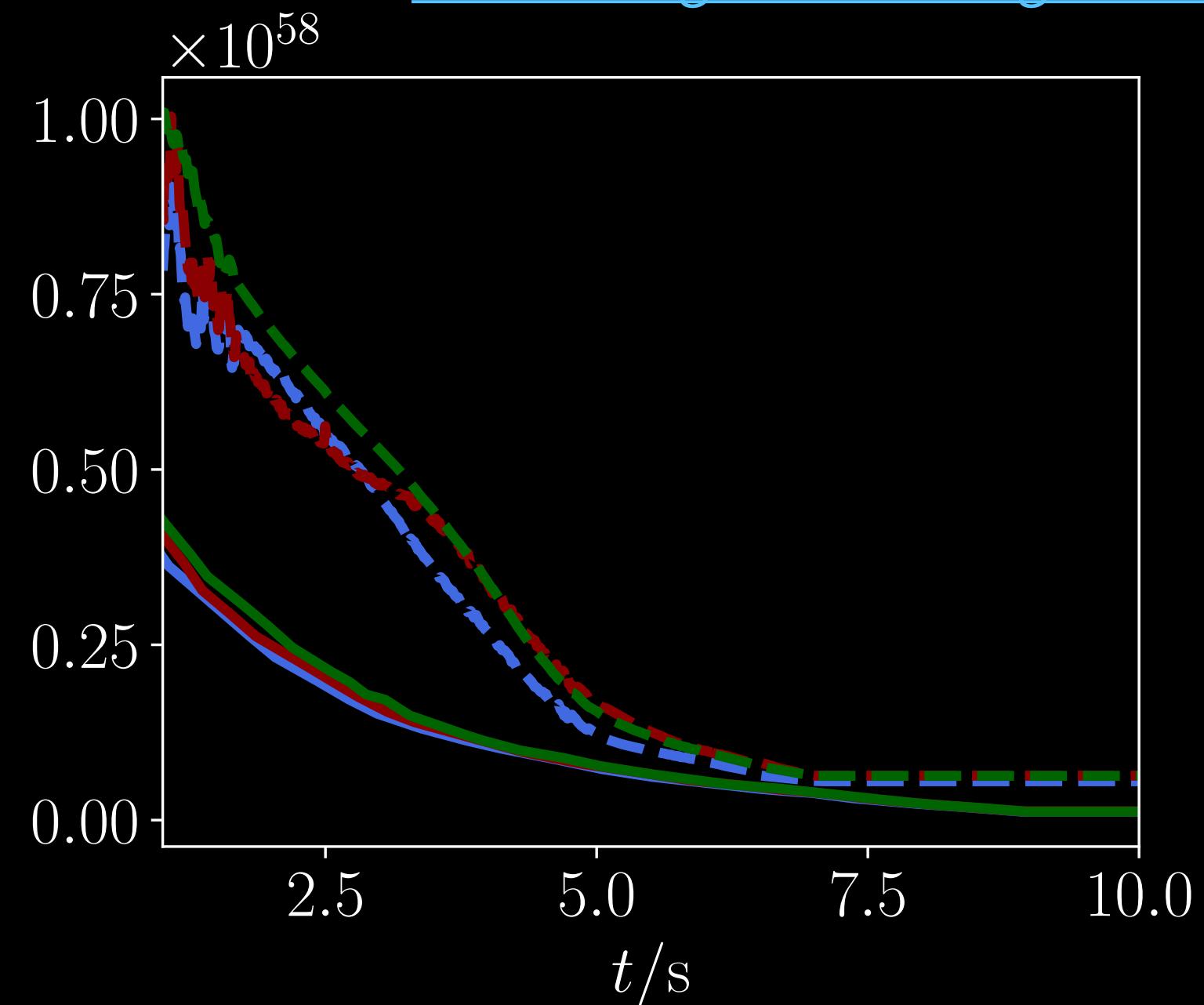
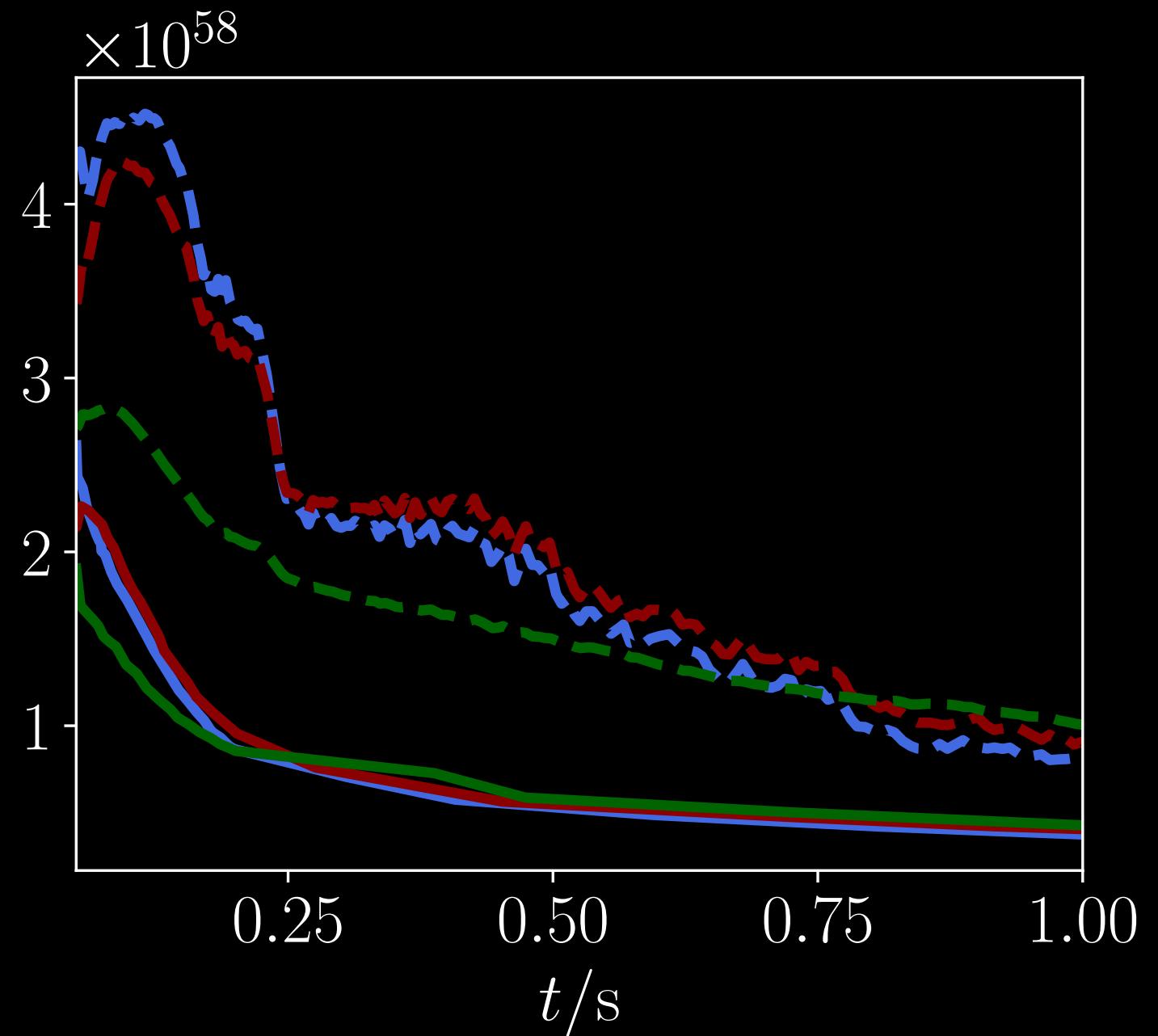
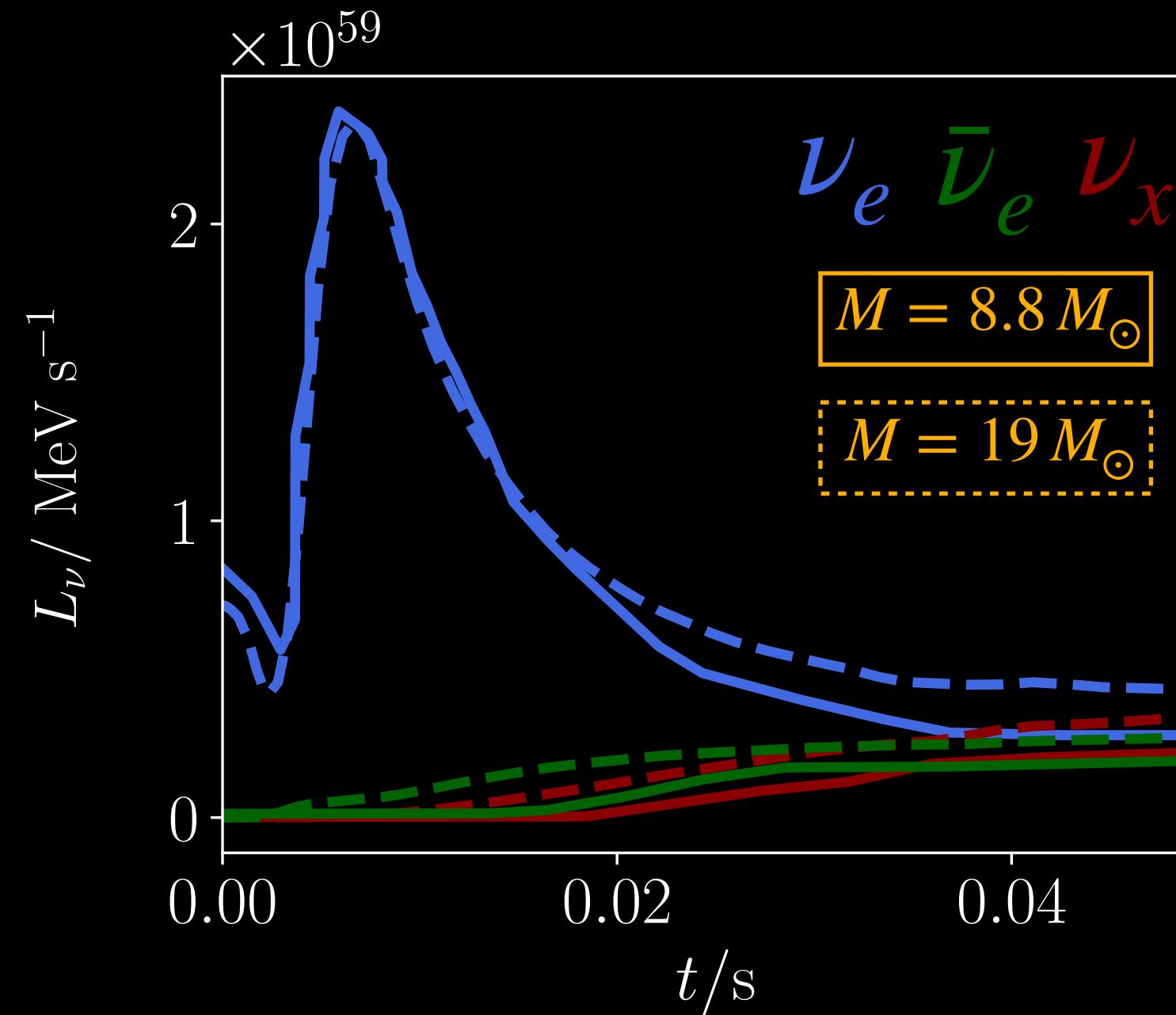
We could be very close to the next observation!

Rate $\sim 0.01/\text{yr}$

Rate $\sim 1/\text{yr}$

Rate $\sim 10^8/\text{yr}$

J. Beacom (TAUP2011)

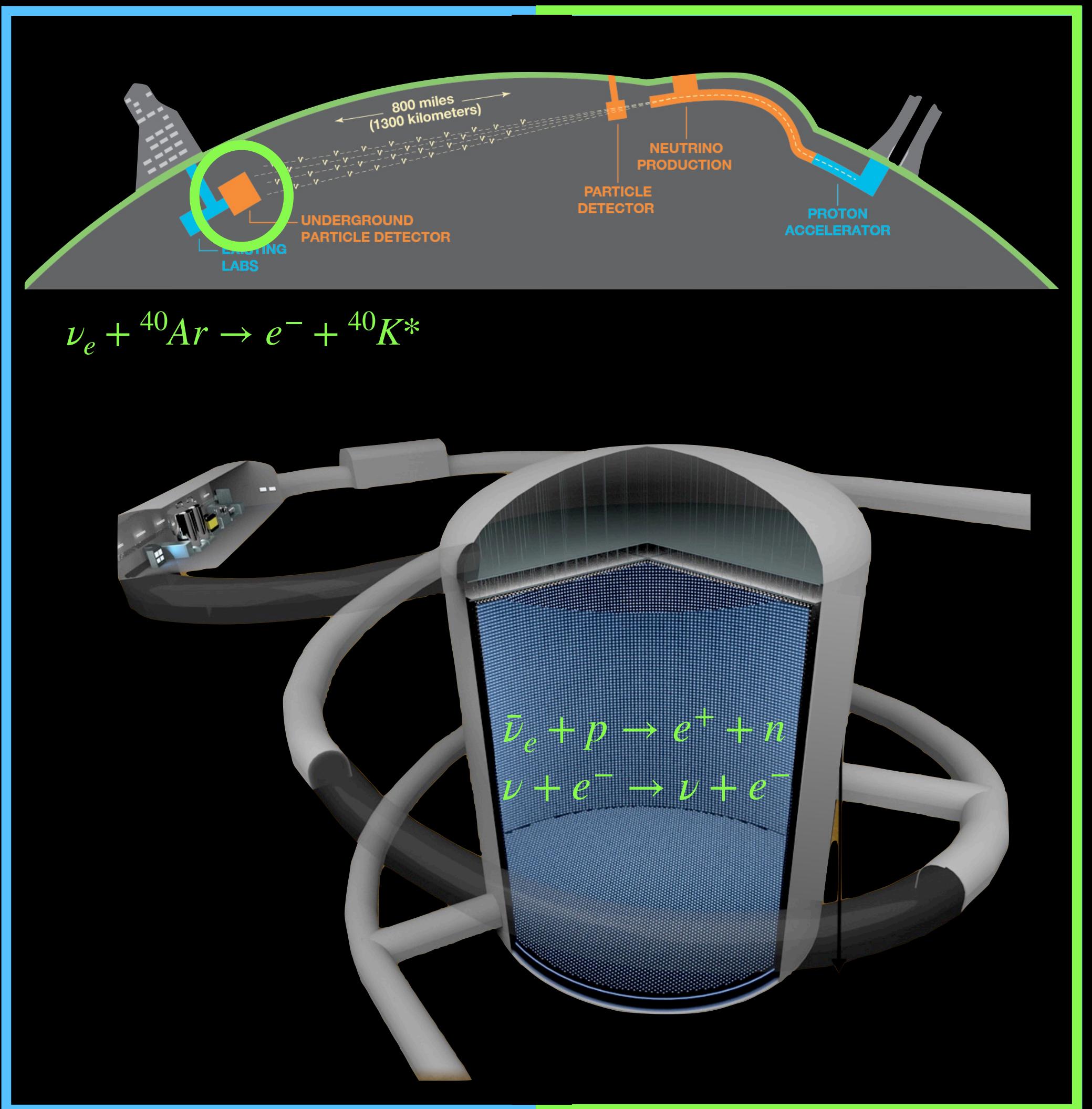


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Interaction



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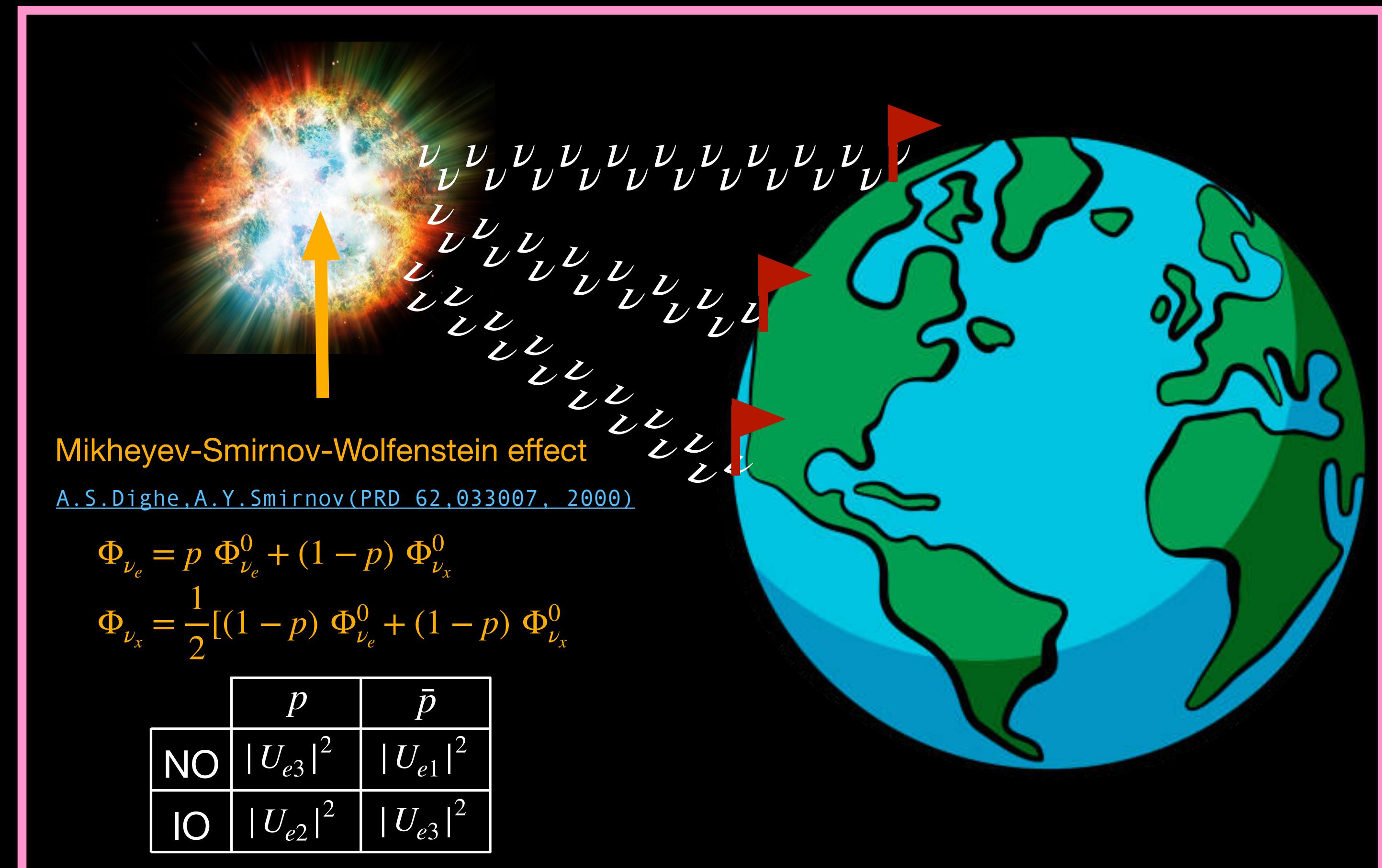
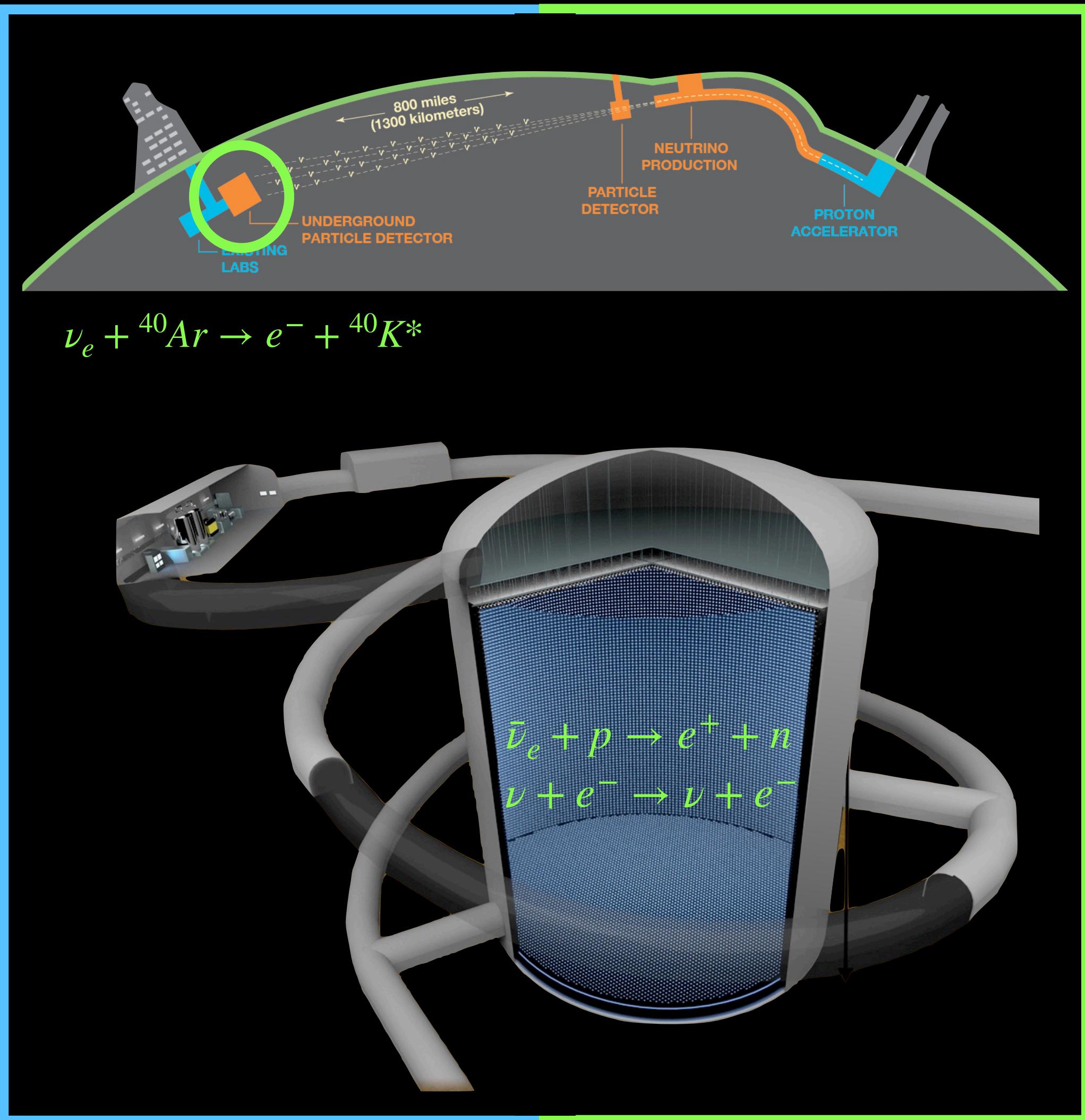
$$\sigma_{\text{sec}}(E)$$

$$\Phi_\nu(t, E)$$

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Source
(and propagation!)

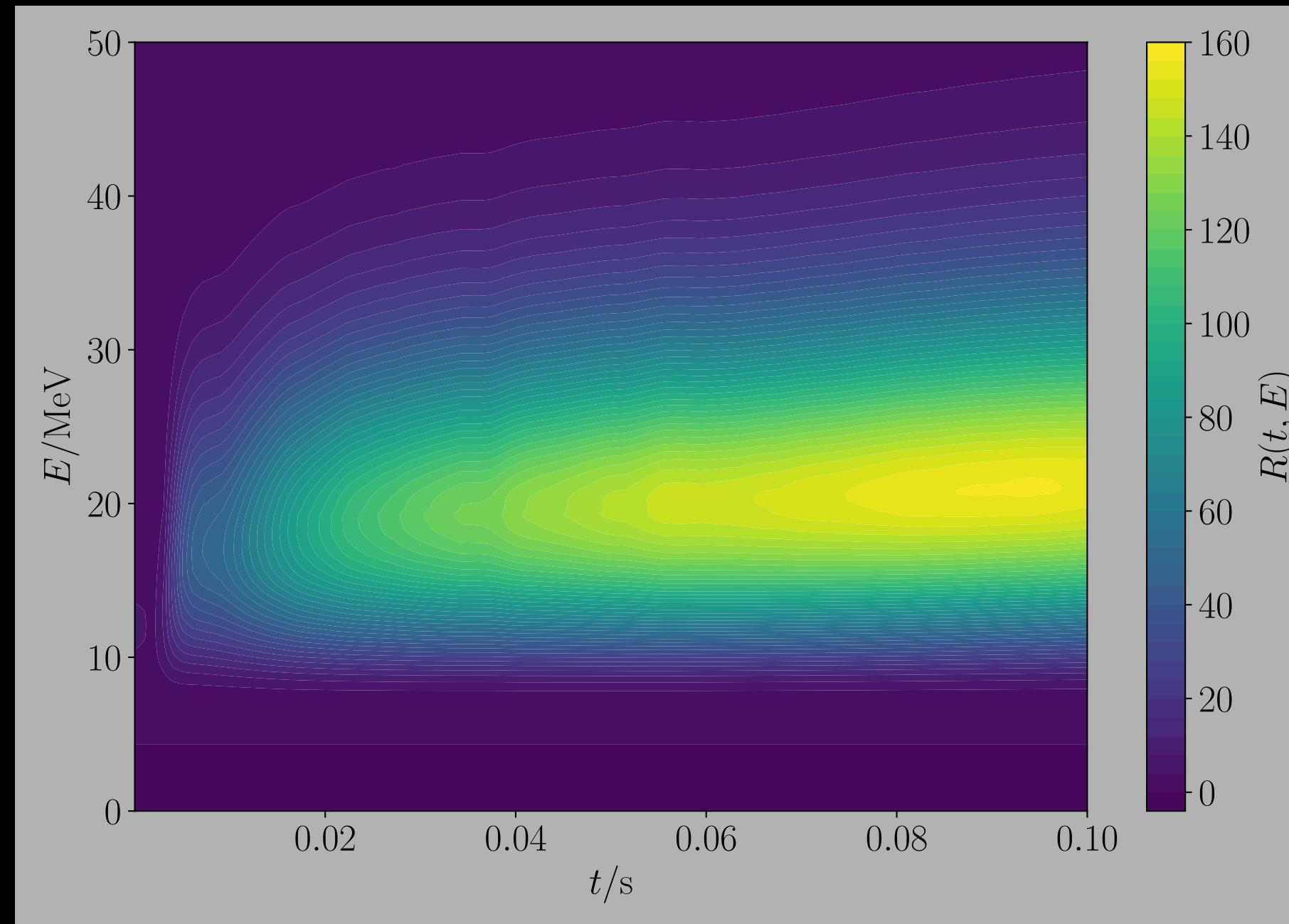


Effect of m_ν

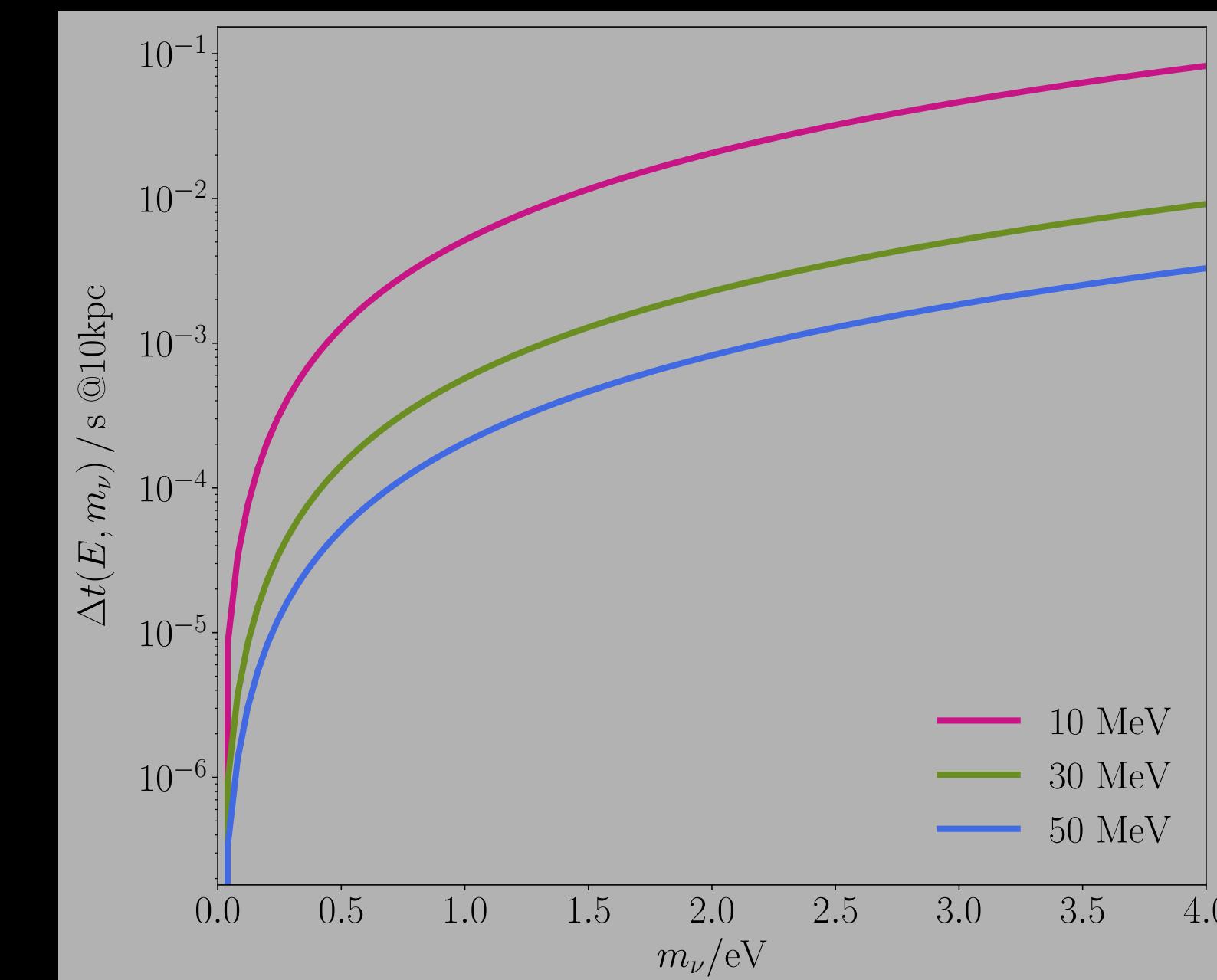
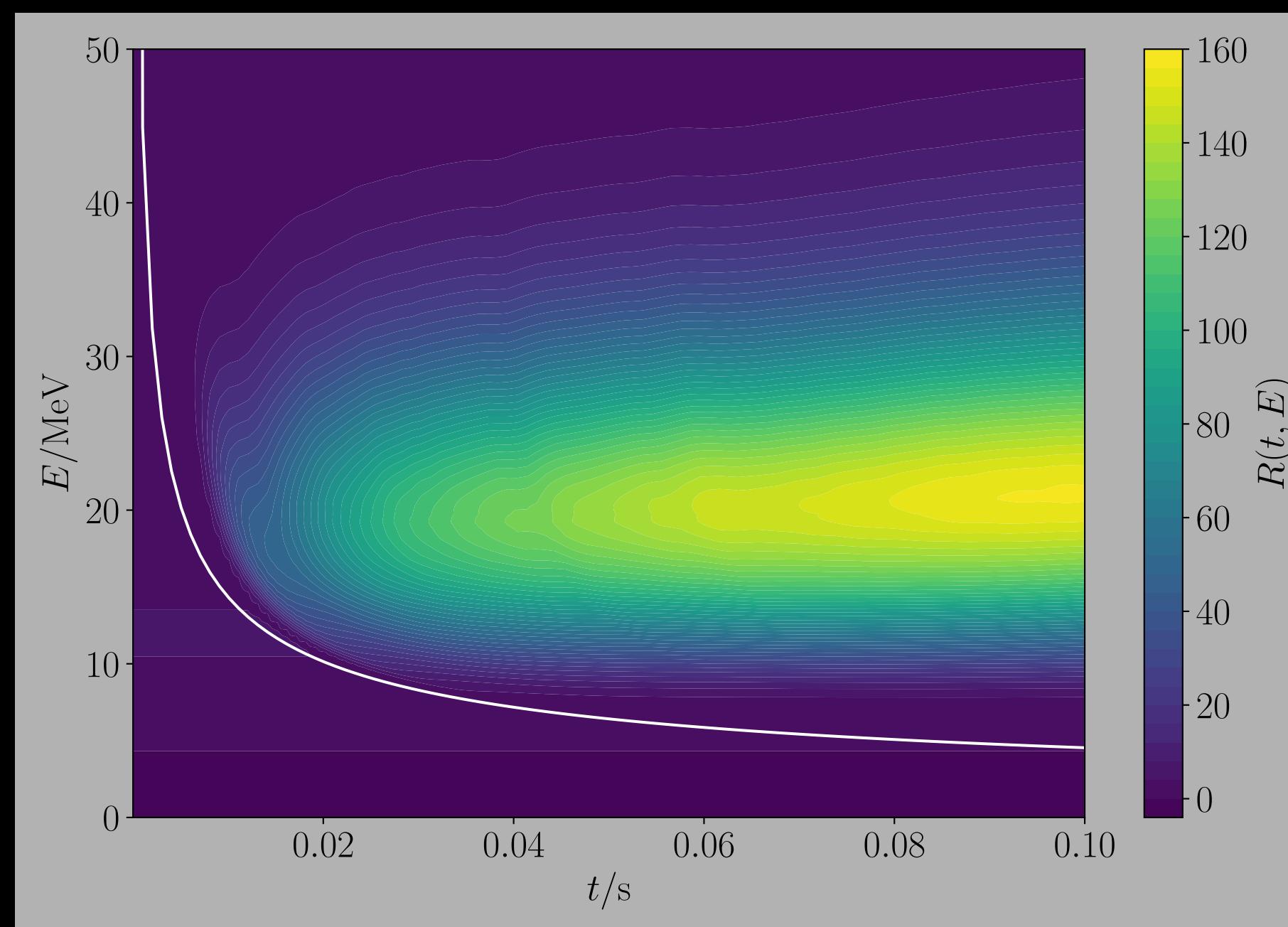
$$\Delta t_i(m_\nu) = \frac{D}{2c} \left(\frac{m_\nu}{E_i} \right)^2$$

$$t_i = \delta t_i + t_{\text{off}} - \Delta t_i(m_\nu)$$

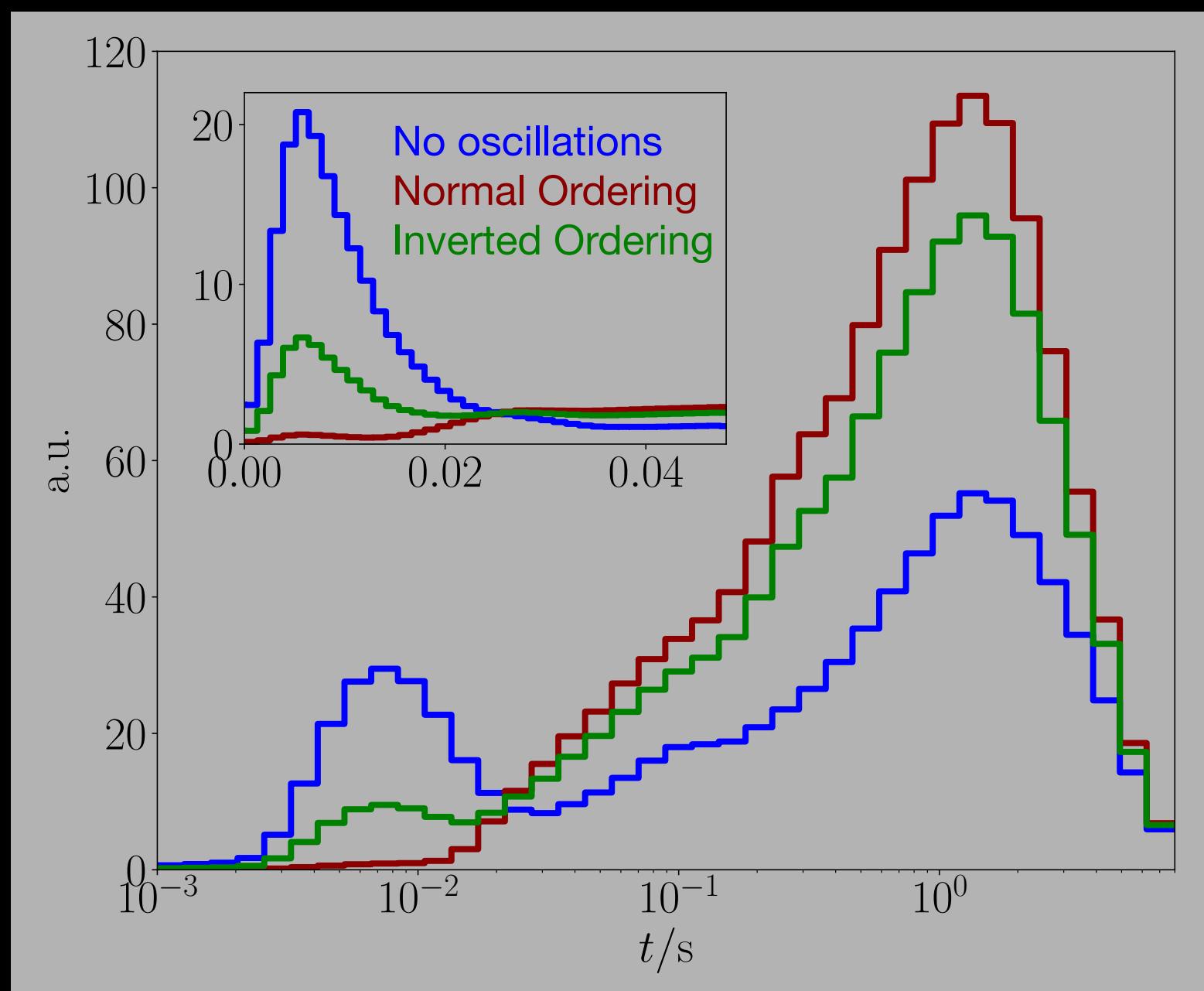
$m_\nu = 0$



$m_\nu = 2 \text{ eV}$



DUNE: $D = 10$ kpc

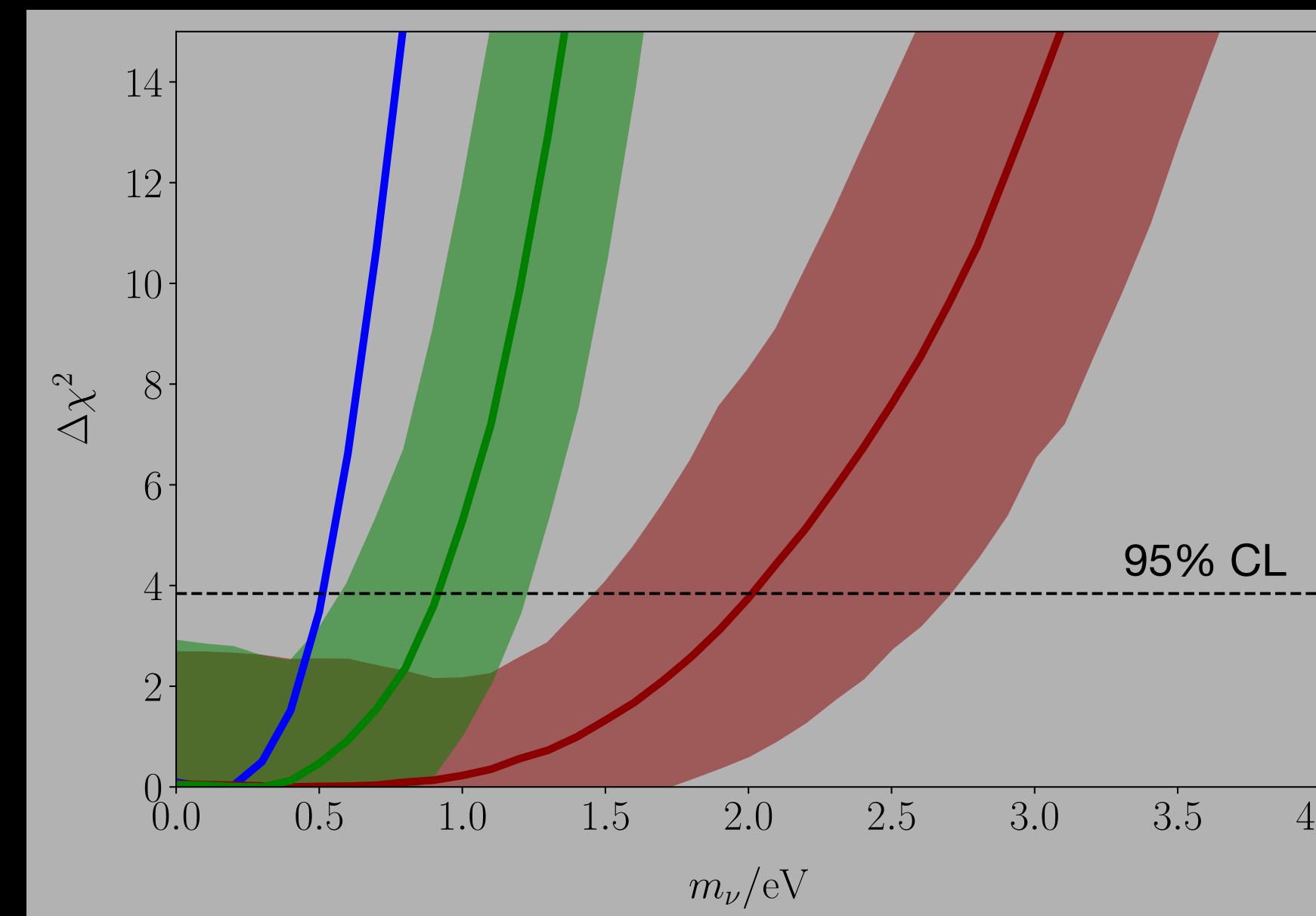


10 s	50 ms
~ 845	~ 201
~ 1372	~ 54
~ 1222	~ 95

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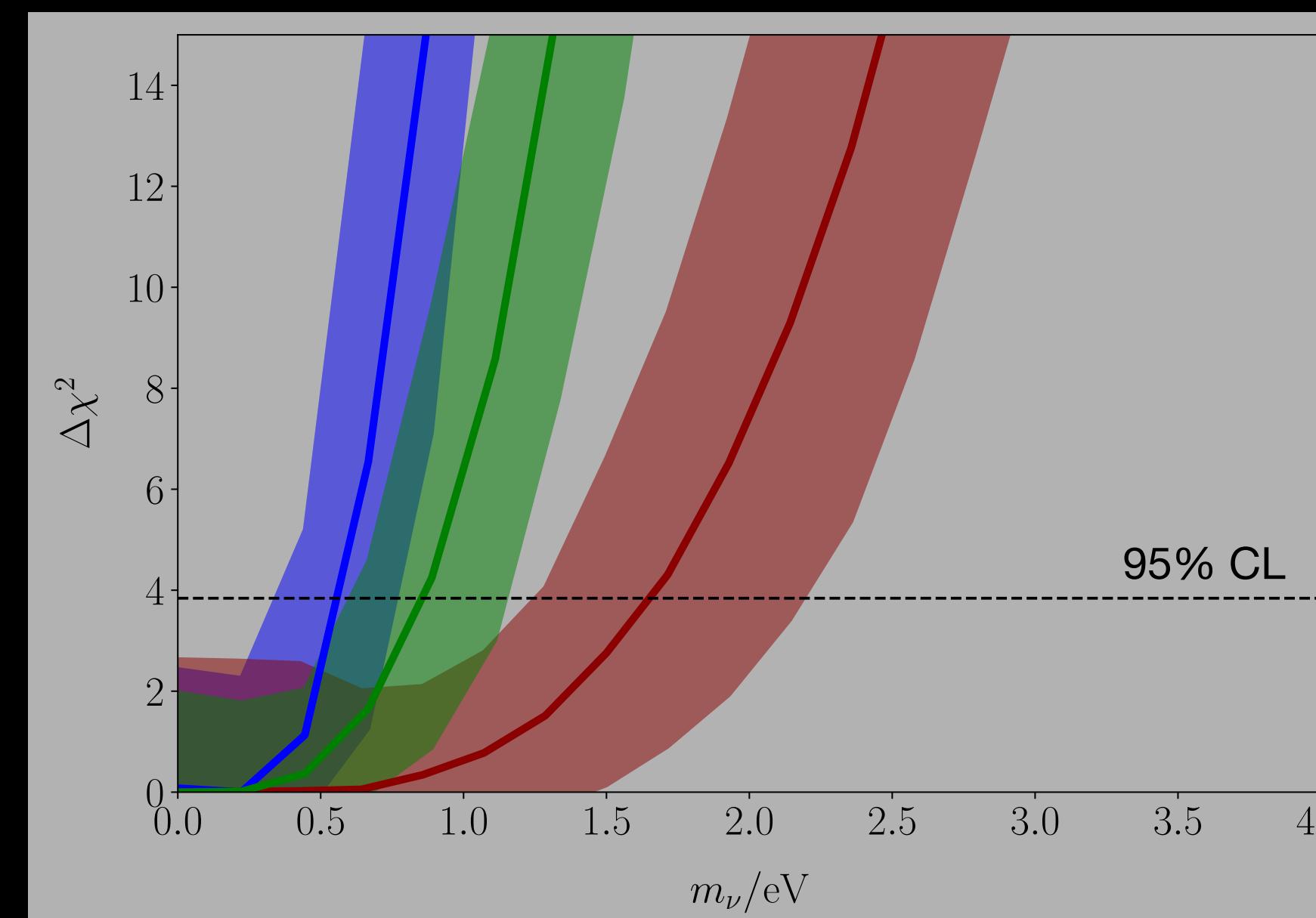
10 s	50 ms
~ 3644	~ 200
~ 5441	~ 88
~ 4936	~ 120



$$m_{\nu} \leq 0.51^{+0.20}_{-0.19} \text{ eV}$$

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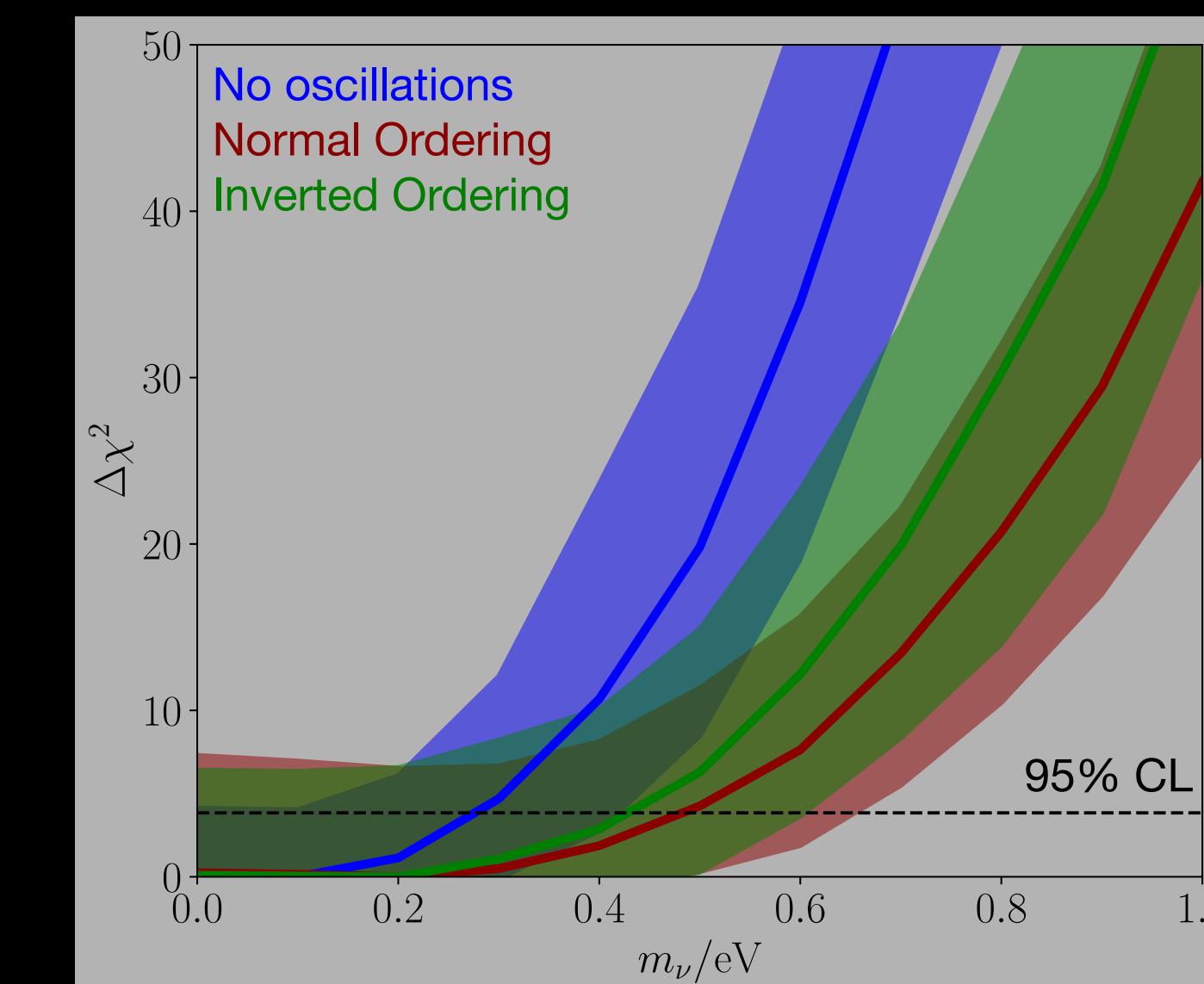
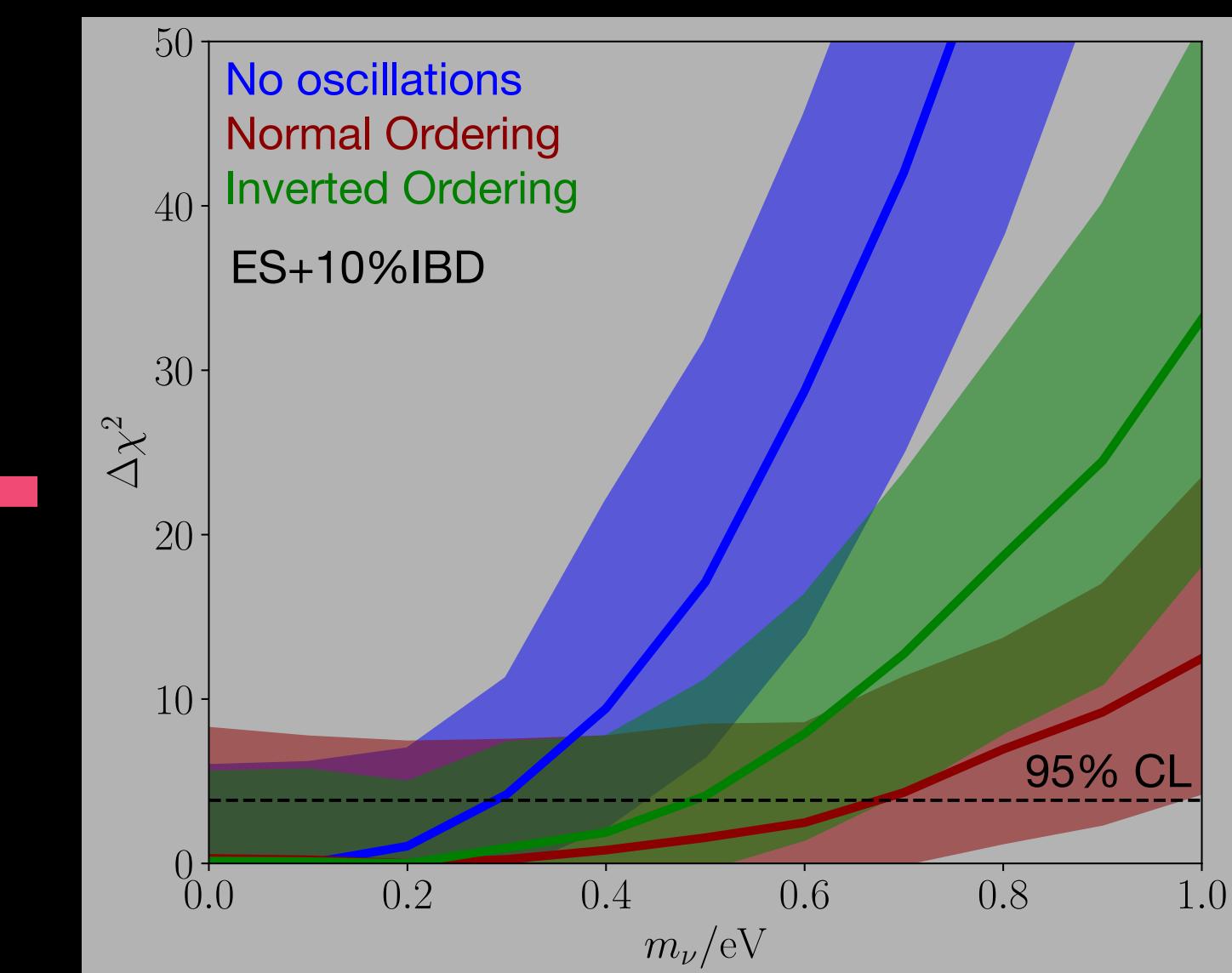
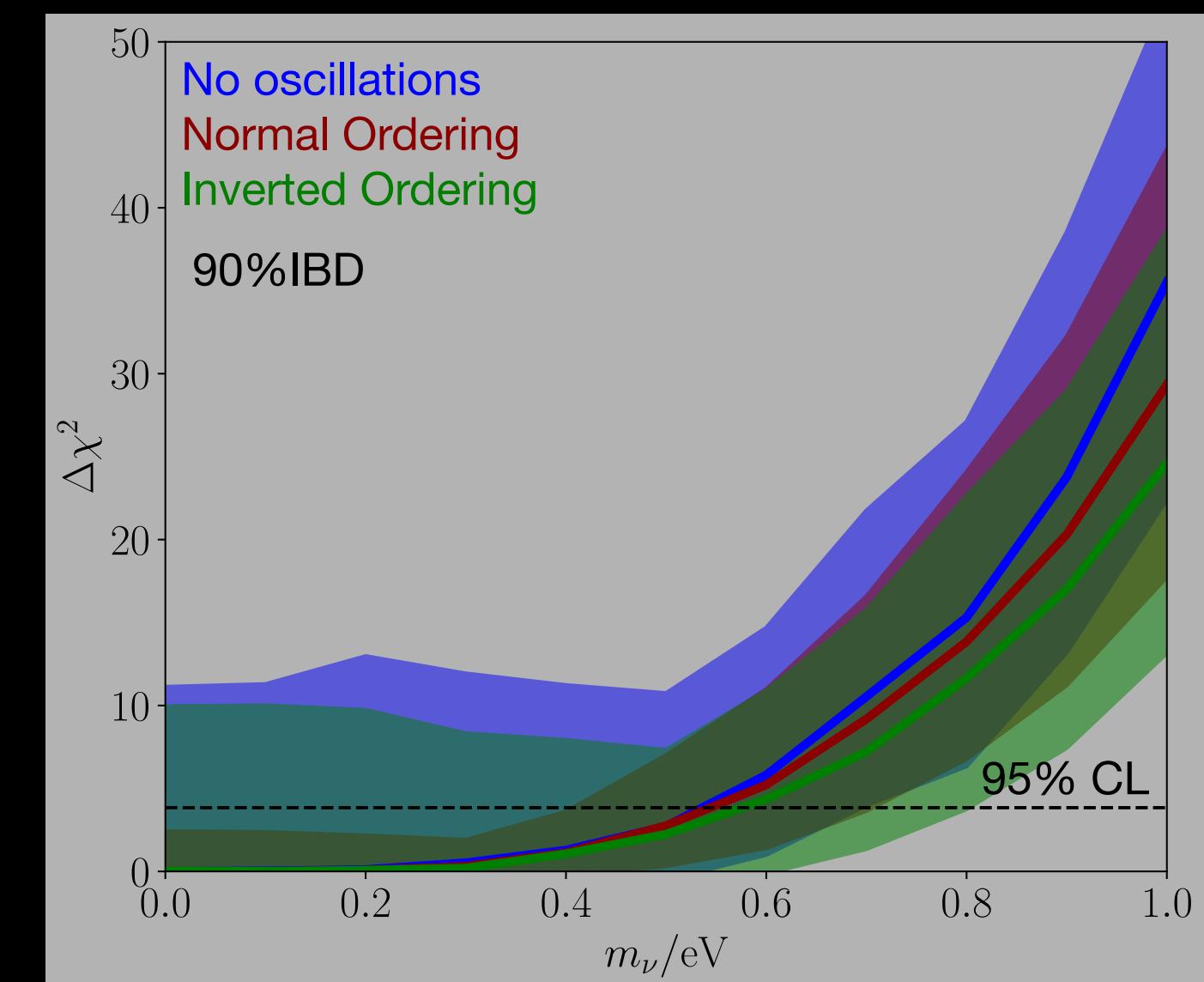
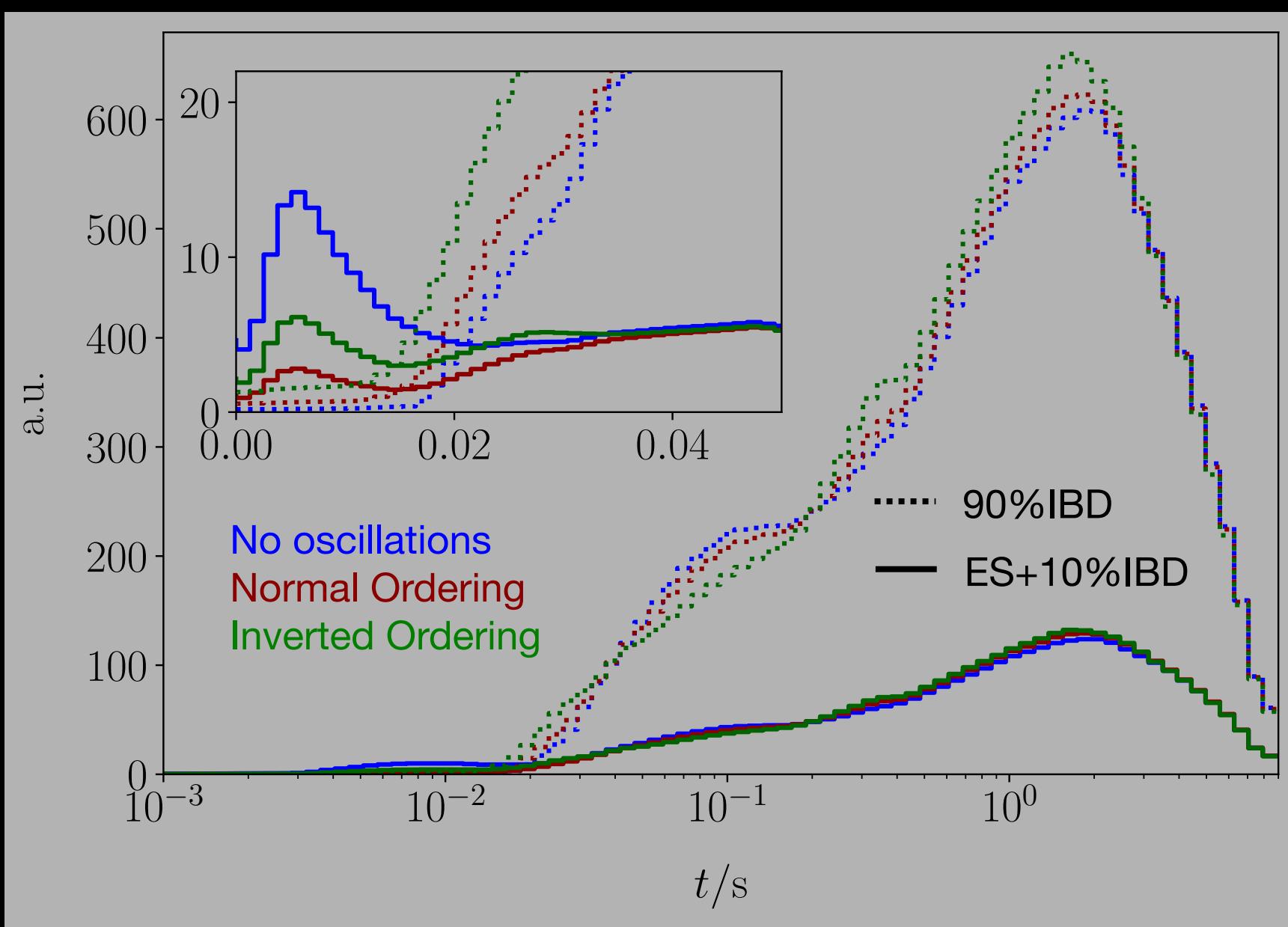


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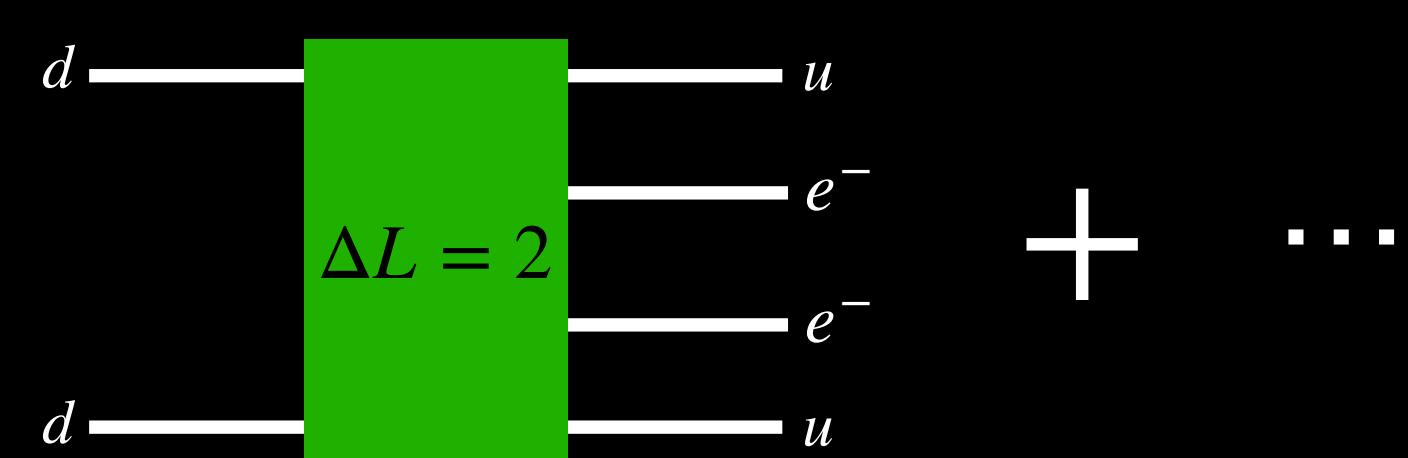
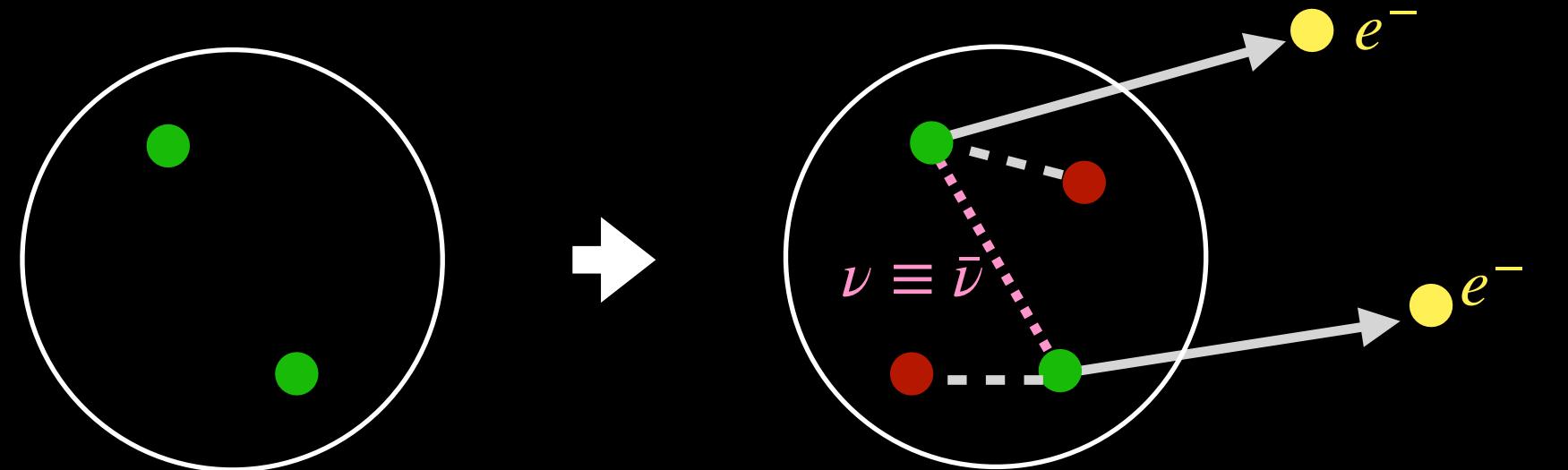
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90% IBD	16003	414
ES+10% IBD	3462	249
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ES+10% IBD	3491	178

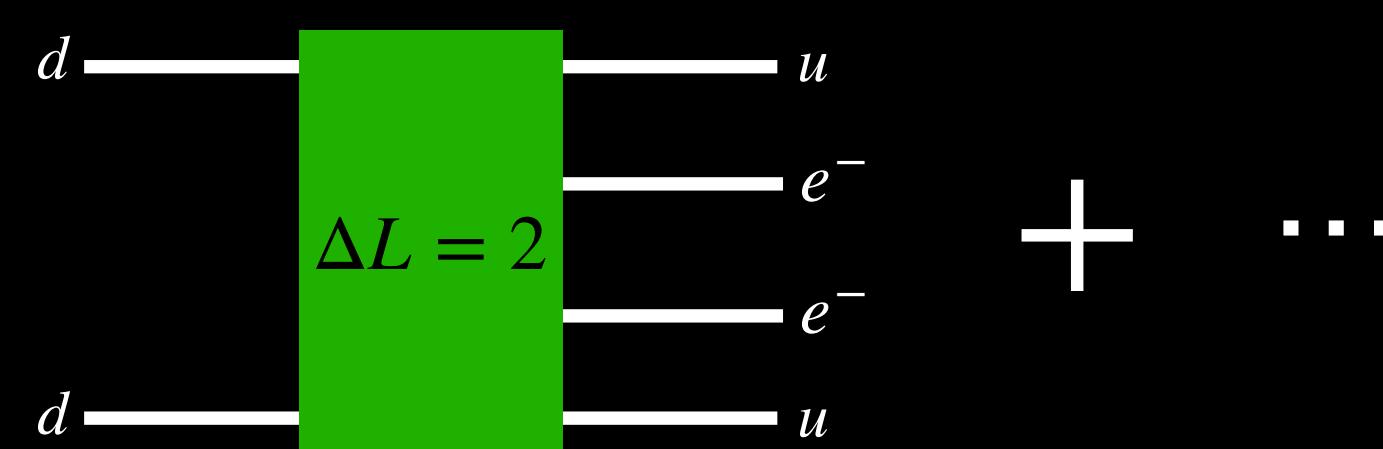
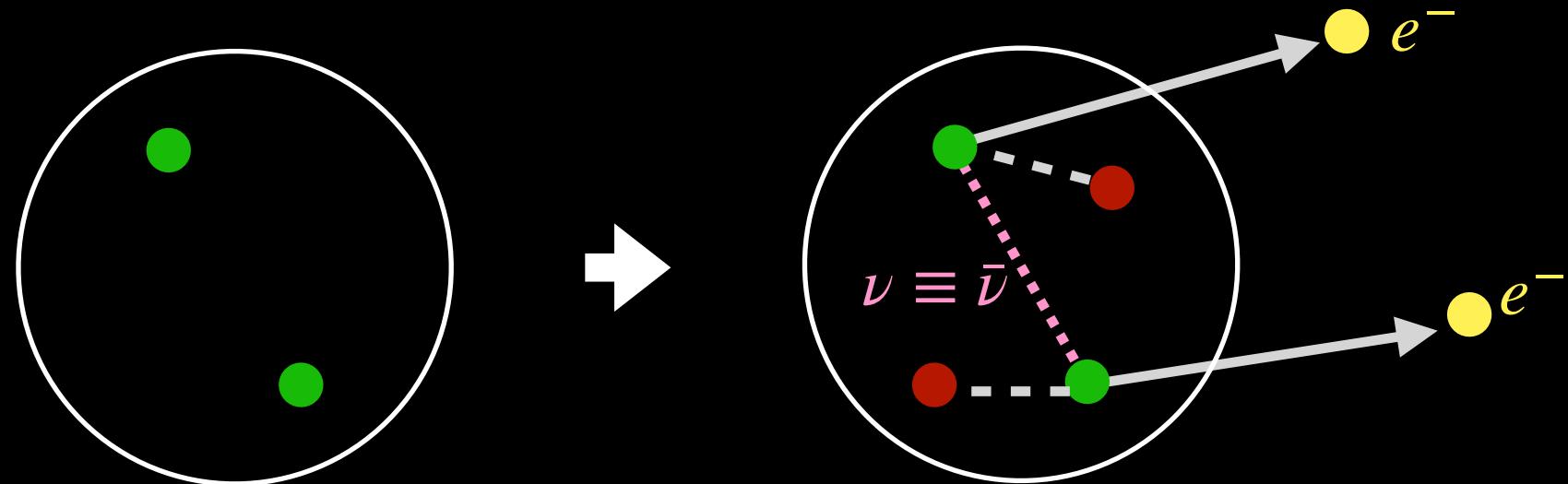
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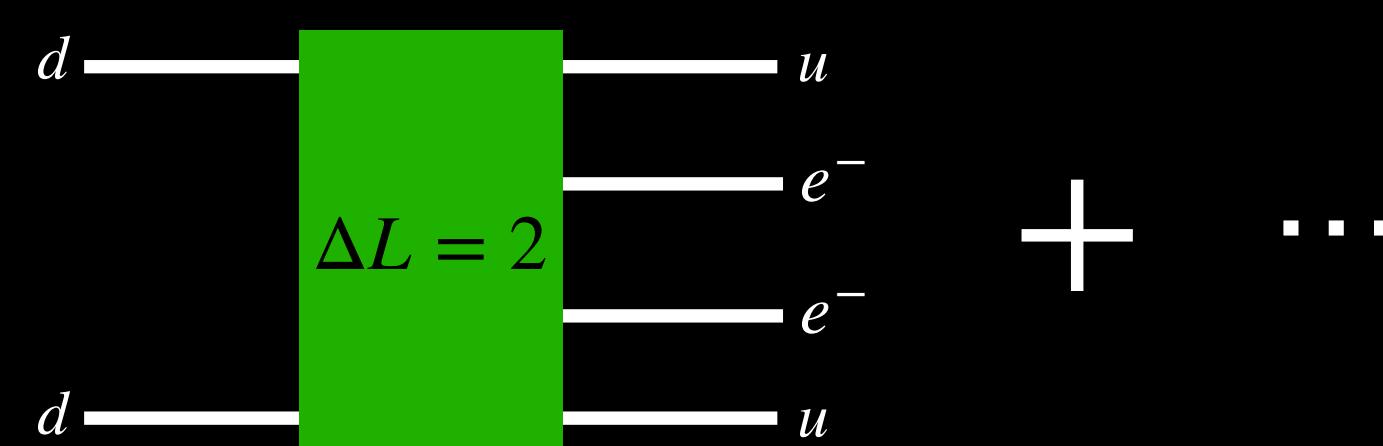
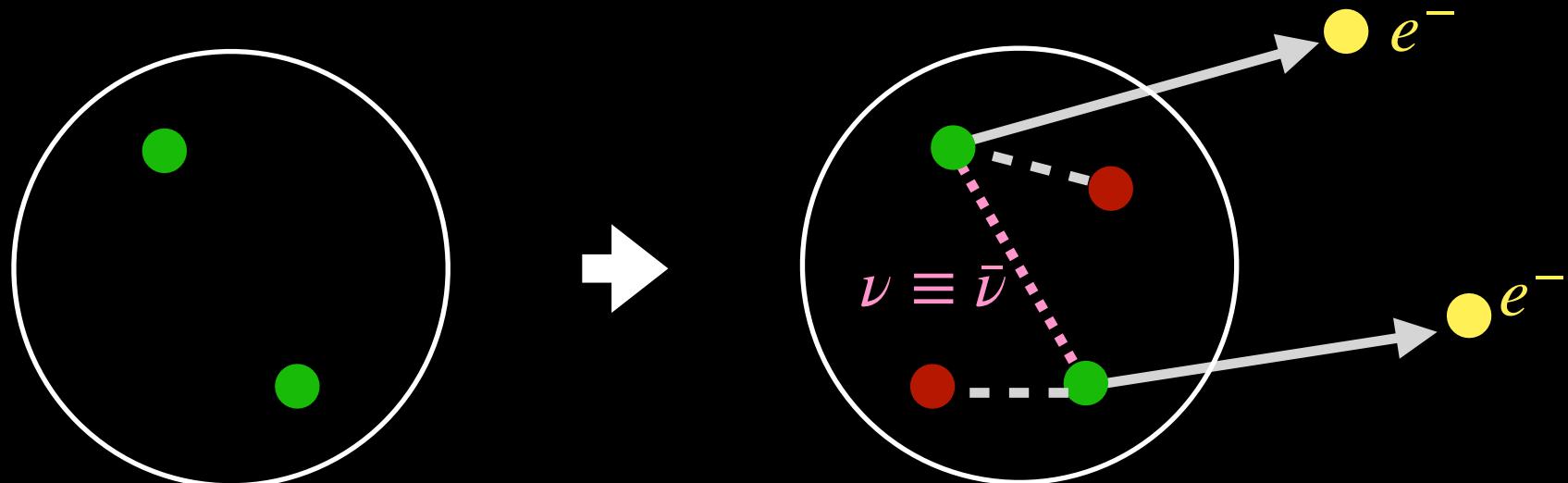
$$\Gamma_\alpha(m_{\beta\beta}, M_{\alpha i}) = G_{0\nu} \times (g_A^2 |M_{\alpha i}|)^2 \times \epsilon_{\text{BMS}}$$

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New Physics

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If $0\nu\beta\beta$ mediated by the exchange of a light Majorana ν :

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Effective Majorana mass

$$\left| \sum_j U_{ej}^2 m_j \right|$$

Nuclear Models and Nuclear Matrix Elements

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Long-range contribution to the decay rate induced by the exchange of light Majorana ν

- Calculations performed by different groups by assuming $g_A^{\text{bare}} = 1.27$
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	N2	3.07	2.90	-	2.96	2.45
	N3	3.37	3.19	-	1.79	1.63
	N4	3.57	3.39	-	1.93	1.76
	N5	2.66	2.72	-	3.16	2.39
Quasiparticle Random Phase Approximation	Q1	5.09	-	-	1.37	1.55
	Q2	5.26	3.73	3.90	4.00	2.91
	Q3	4.85	4.61	5.87	4.67	2.72
	Q4	3.12	2.86	-	2.90	1.11
	Q5	3.40	3.13	-	3.22	1.18
	Q6	-	-	-	4.05	3.38
Energy-Density Functional theory	E1	4.60	4.22	5.08	5.13	4.20
	E2	5.55	4.67	6.59	6.41	4.77
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Large theoretical uncertainties!

Short-range contribution

V.Cirigliano et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.120,202001

To renormalize the $0\nu\beta\beta$ amplitude due to light Majorana ν exchange

$$M_{\alpha i} = M_{\alpha i}^{\text{long}} + M_{\alpha i}^{\text{short}} = M_{\alpha i}^{\text{long}}(1 + n_{\alpha i})$$



Unknown value and sign
leading either to an
enhancement or suppression
of the expected decay rate

(Hints for + sign = best scenario)

$$n_{\alpha i} = \frac{M_{\alpha i}^{\text{short}}}{M_{\alpha i}^{\text{long}}} \quad \leftarrow \rightarrow \quad |n_{\alpha i}| \in$$

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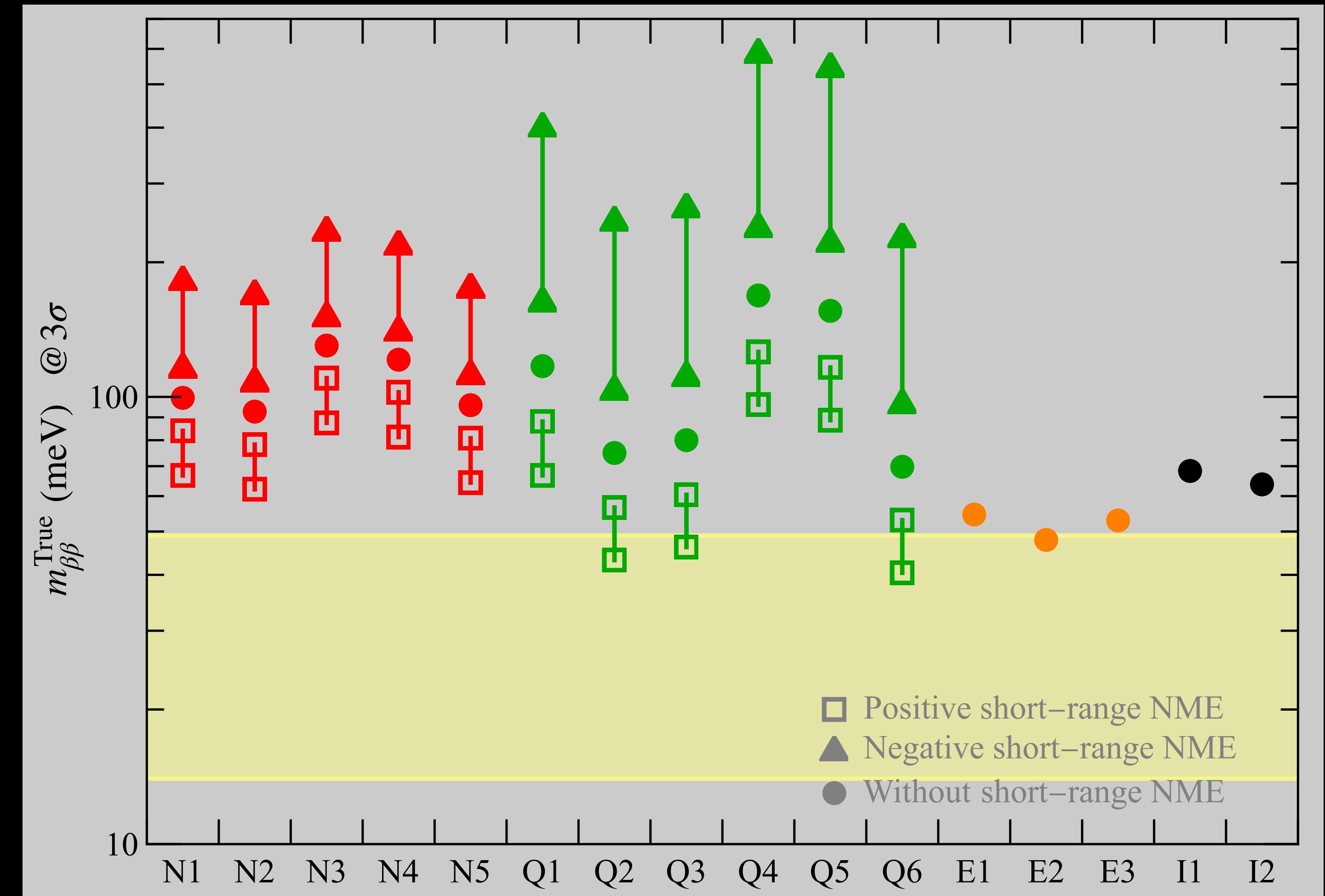
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Current picture...

@ 3σ ($\Delta\chi^2_{\text{tot}} = 9$)

- Impact of the short-range term
- Uncertainties on both the size and sign of $|n_{\alpha i}|$

(In some cases) already touching the IMO region!



... and future prospect

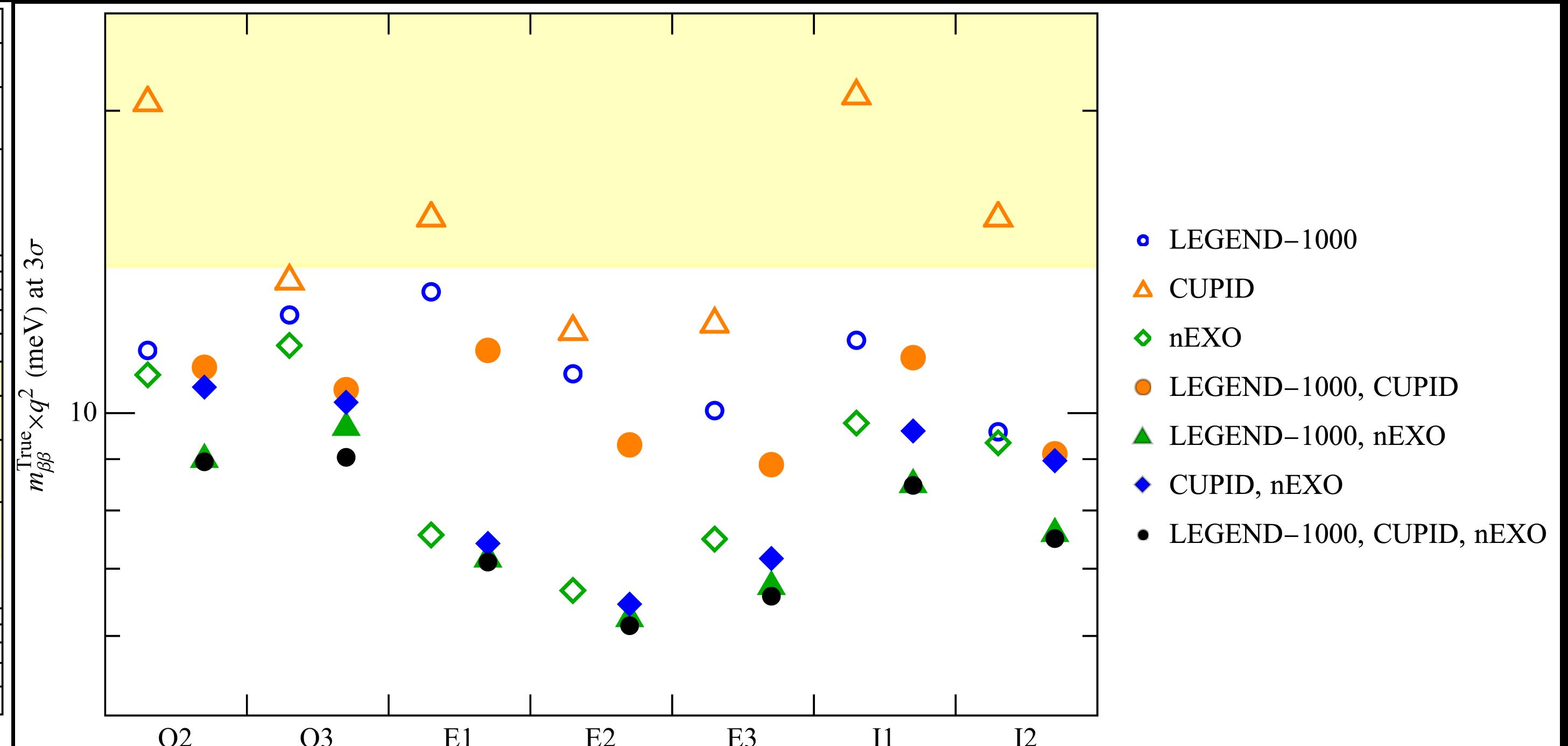
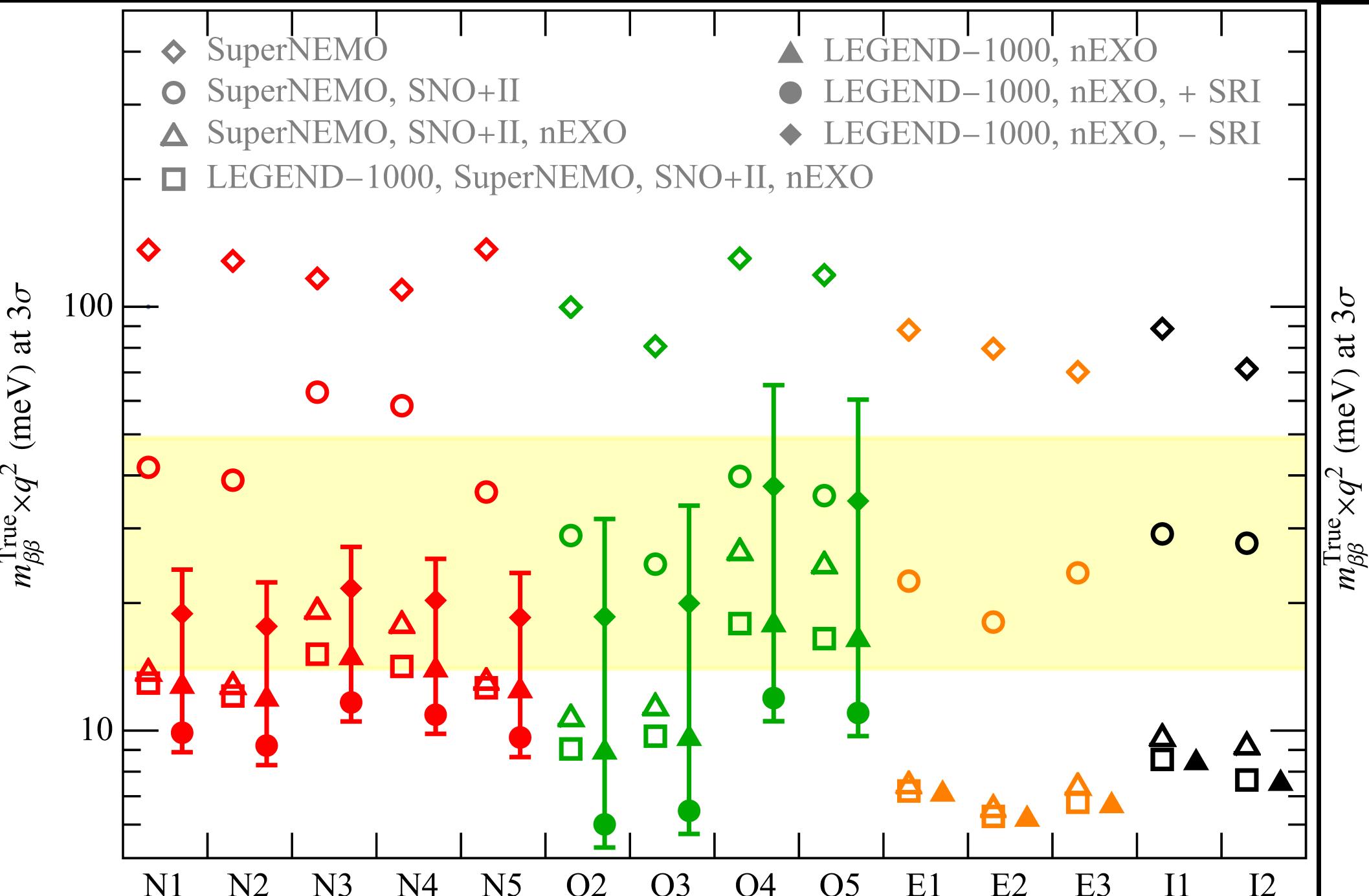
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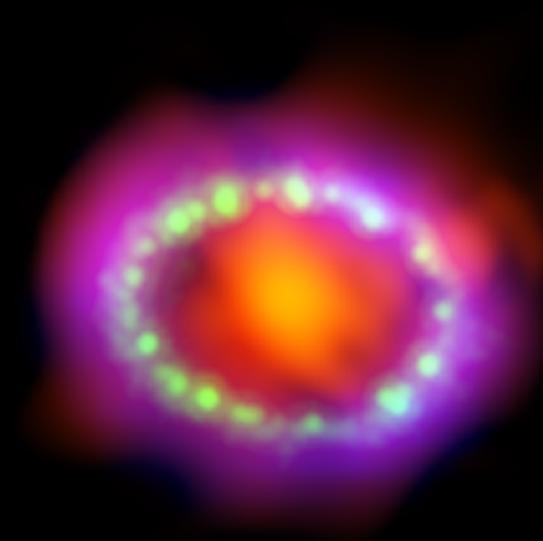
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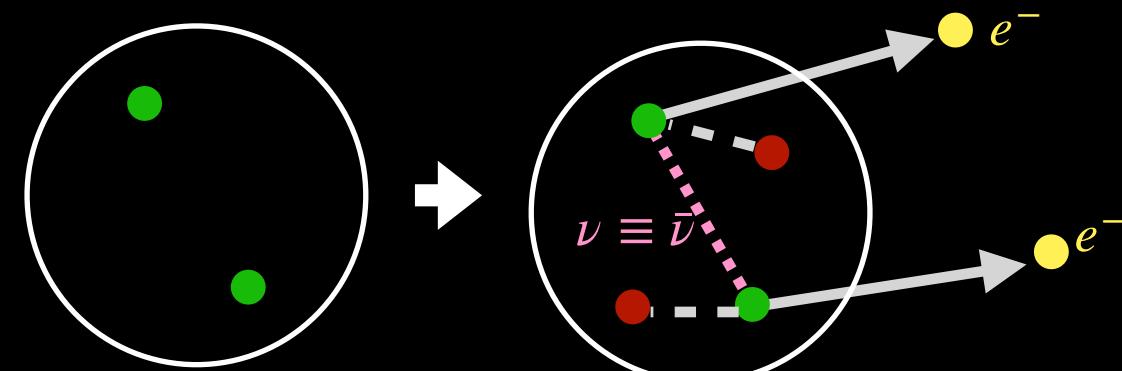
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Take-home message



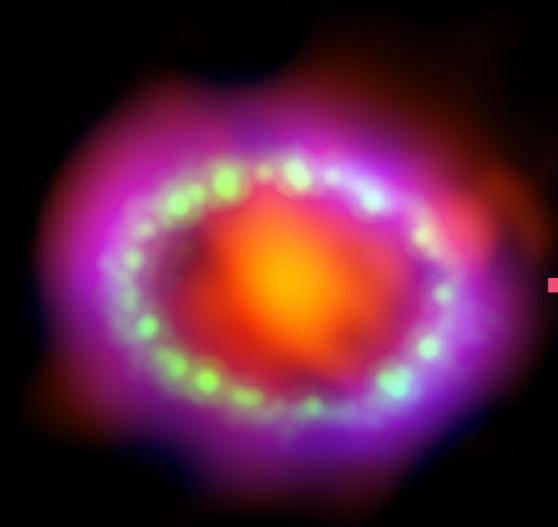
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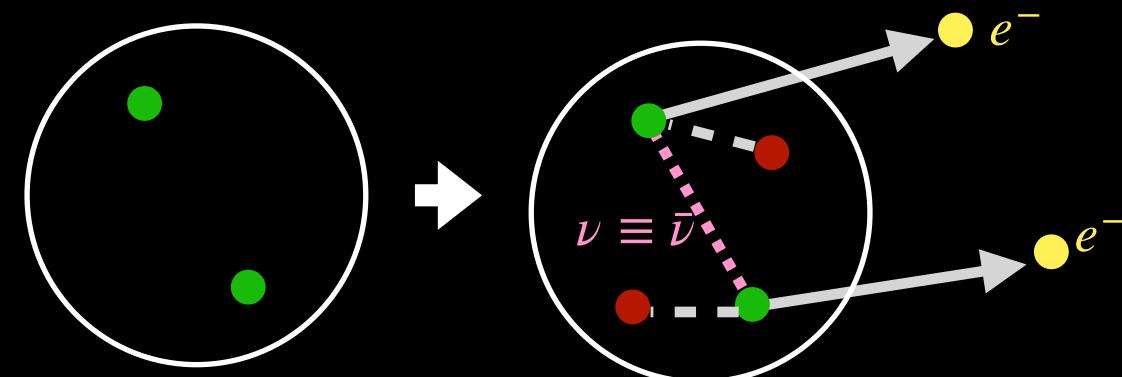
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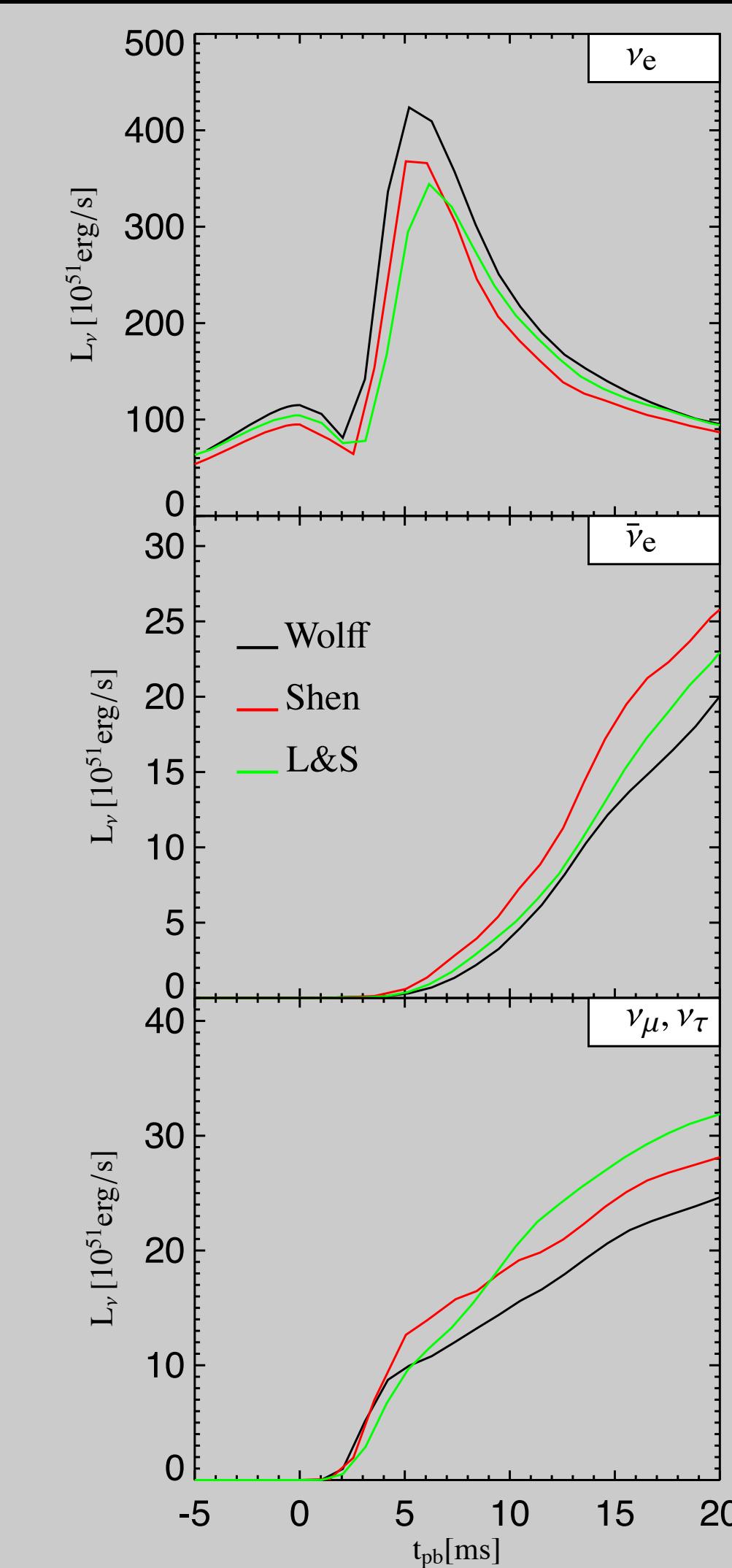
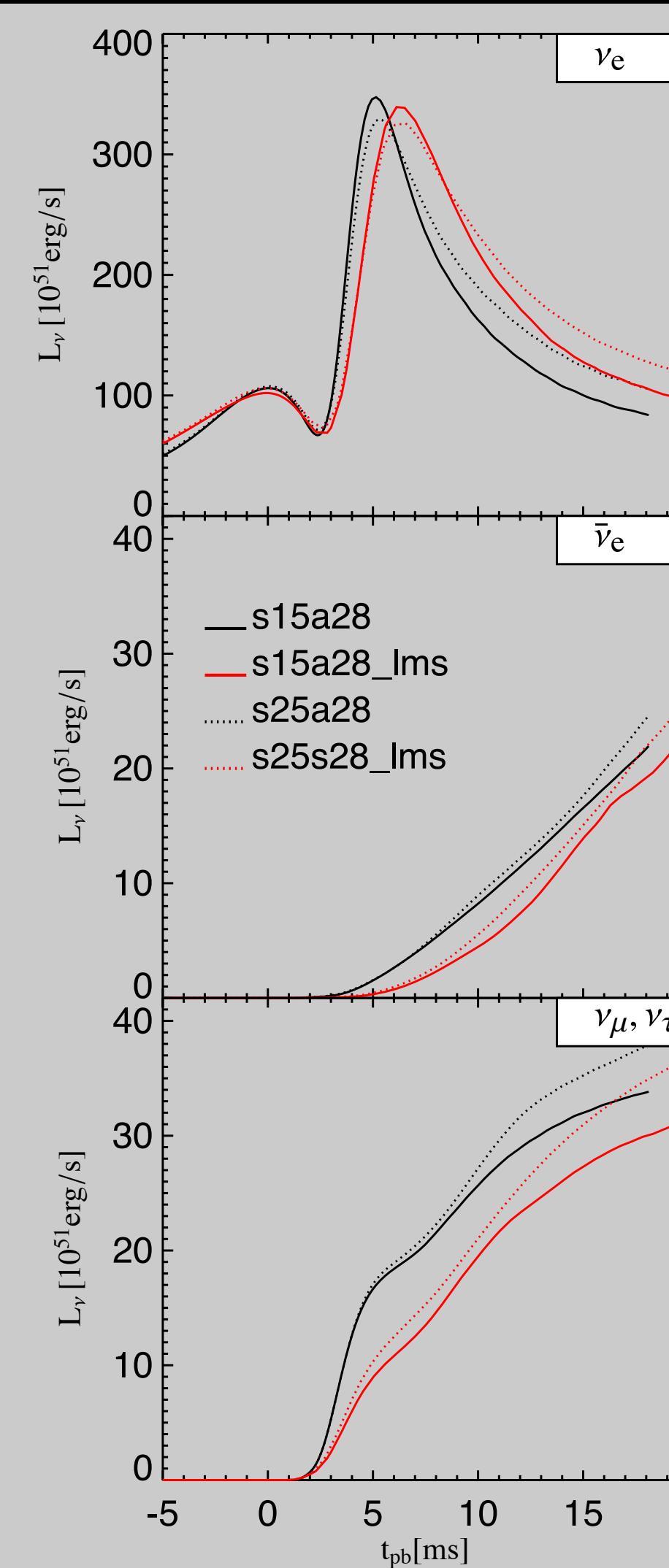
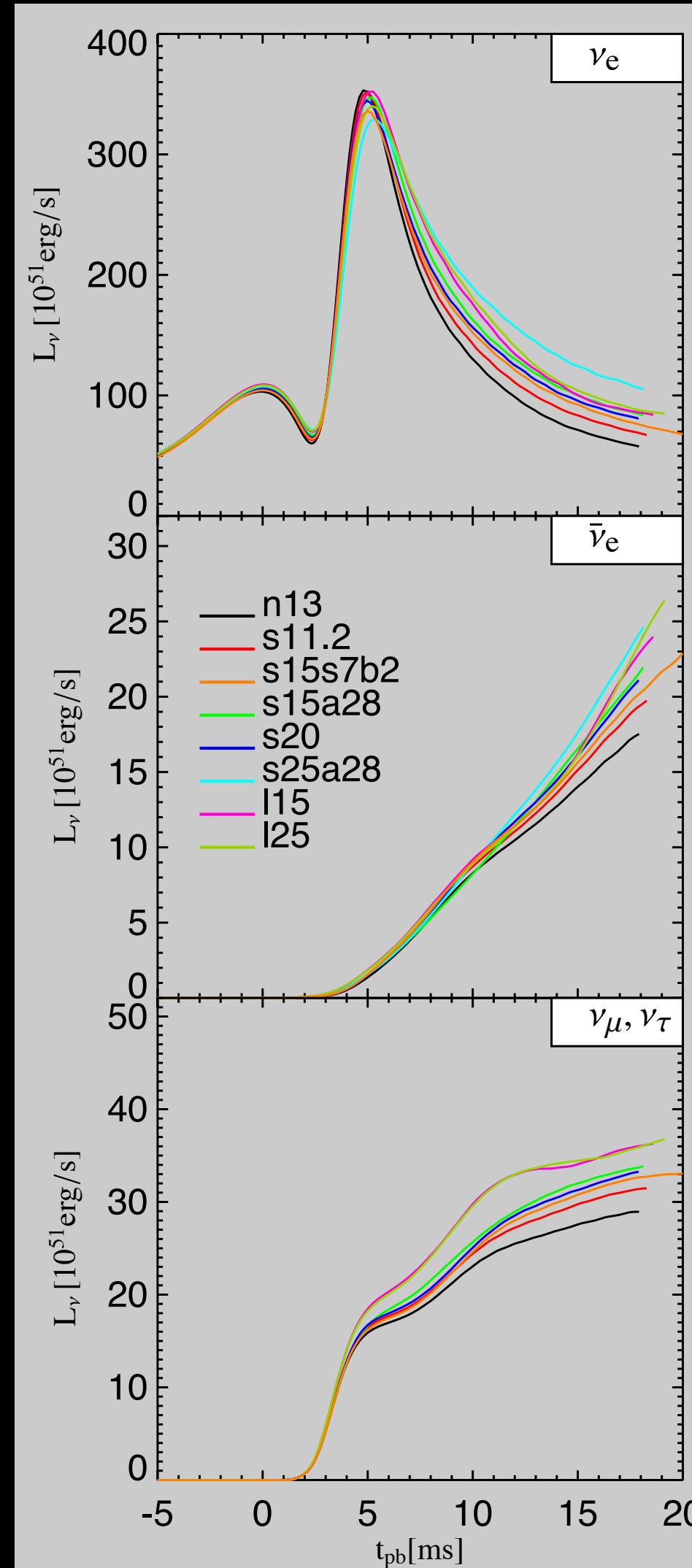
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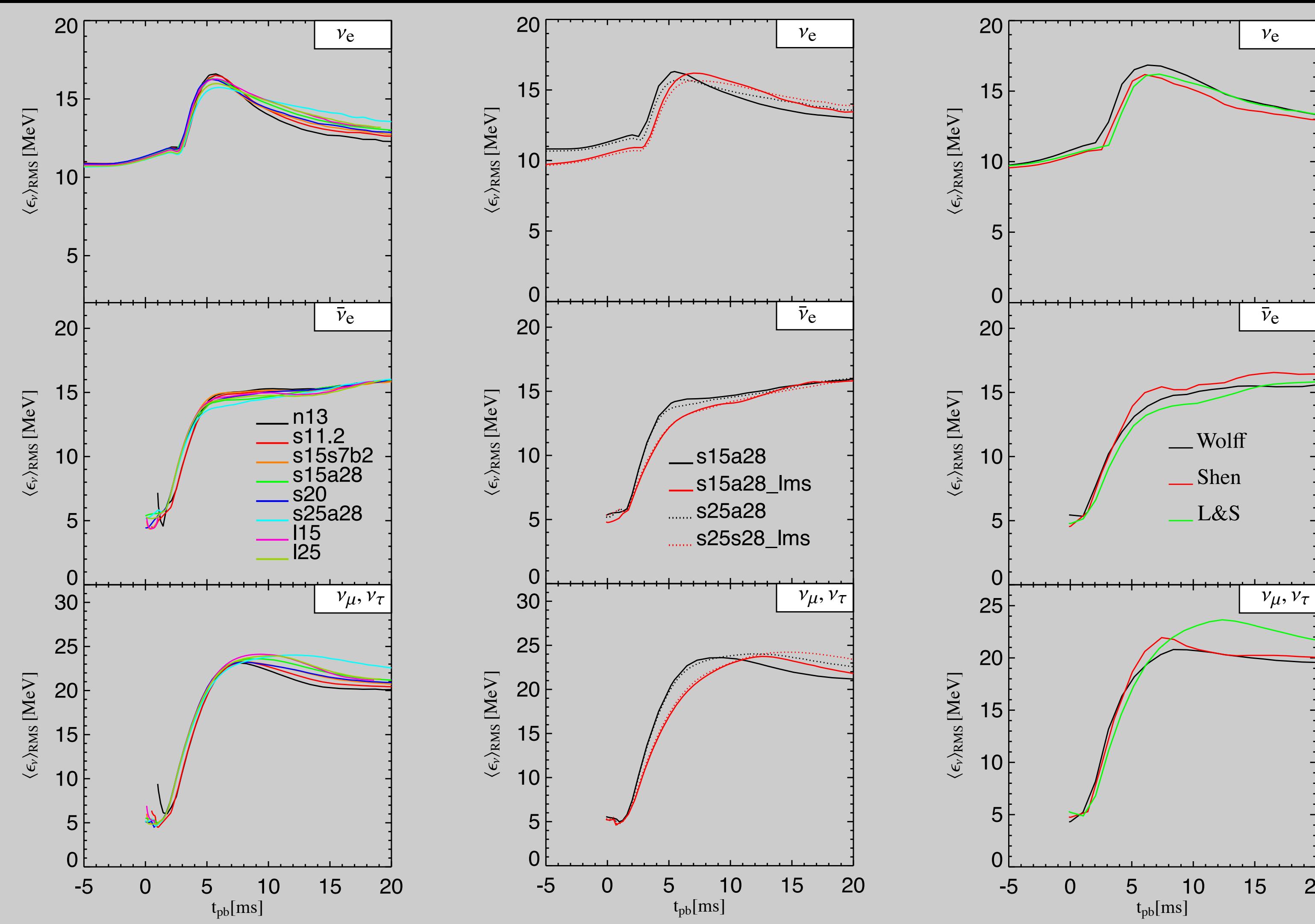
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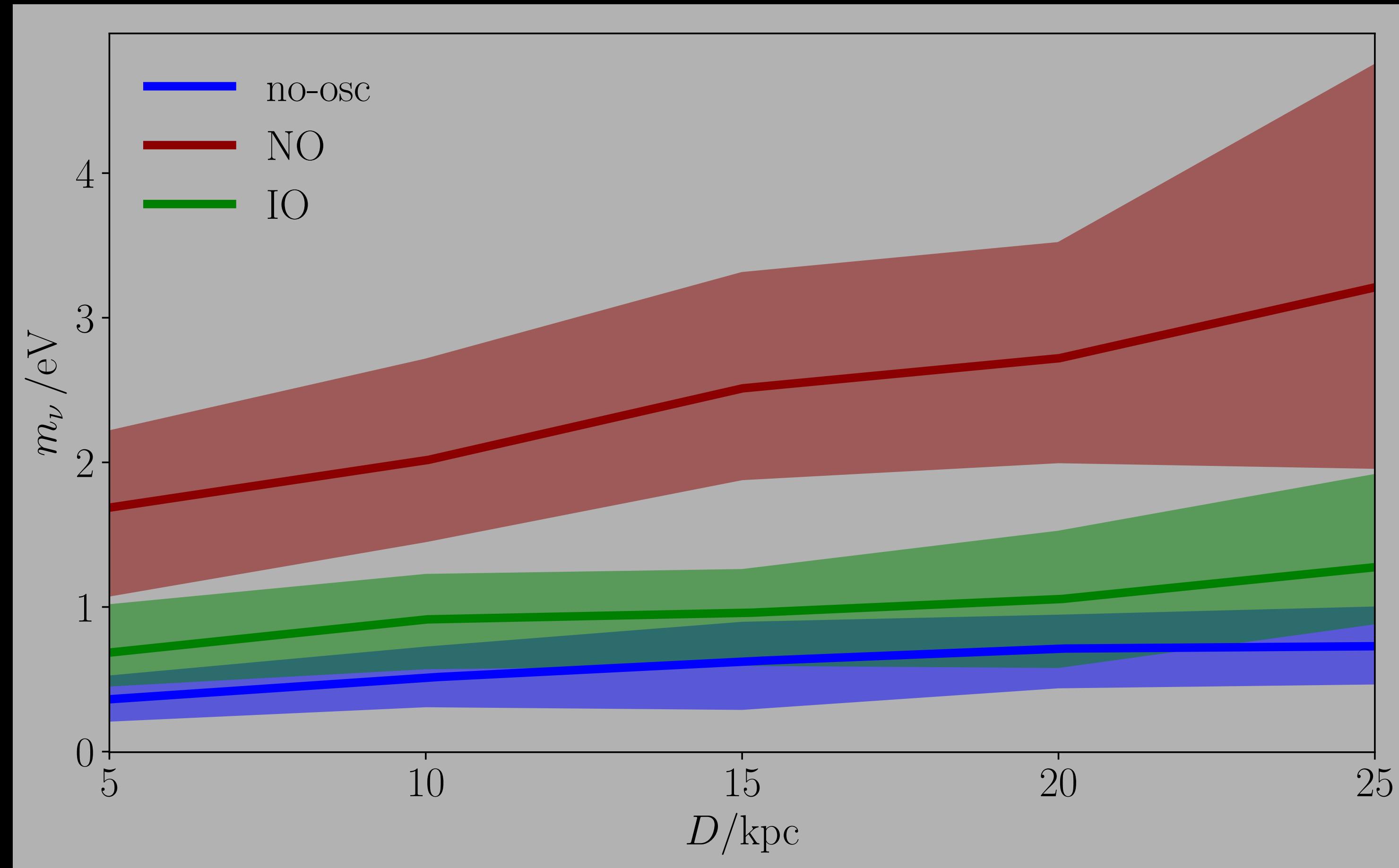


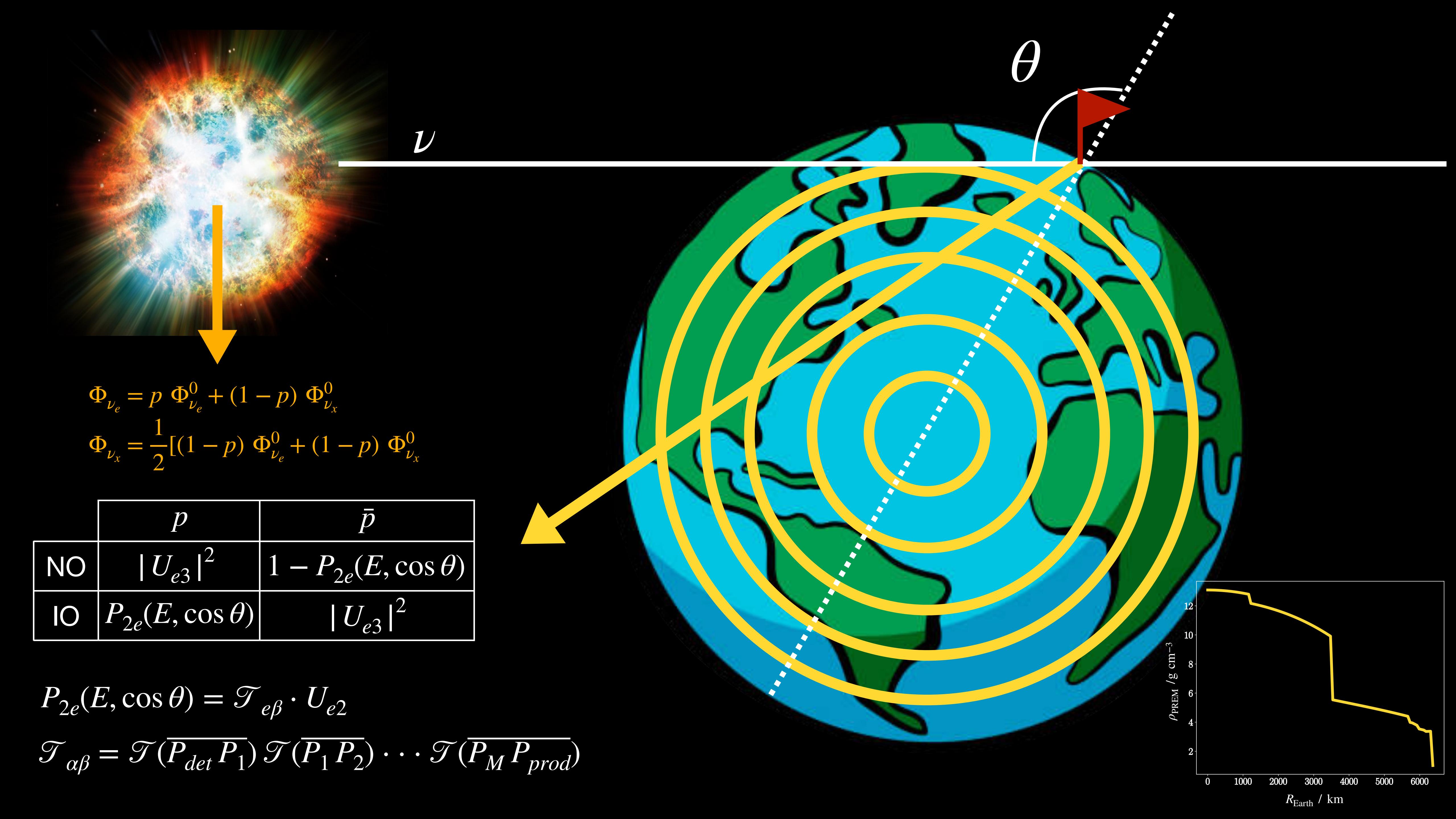
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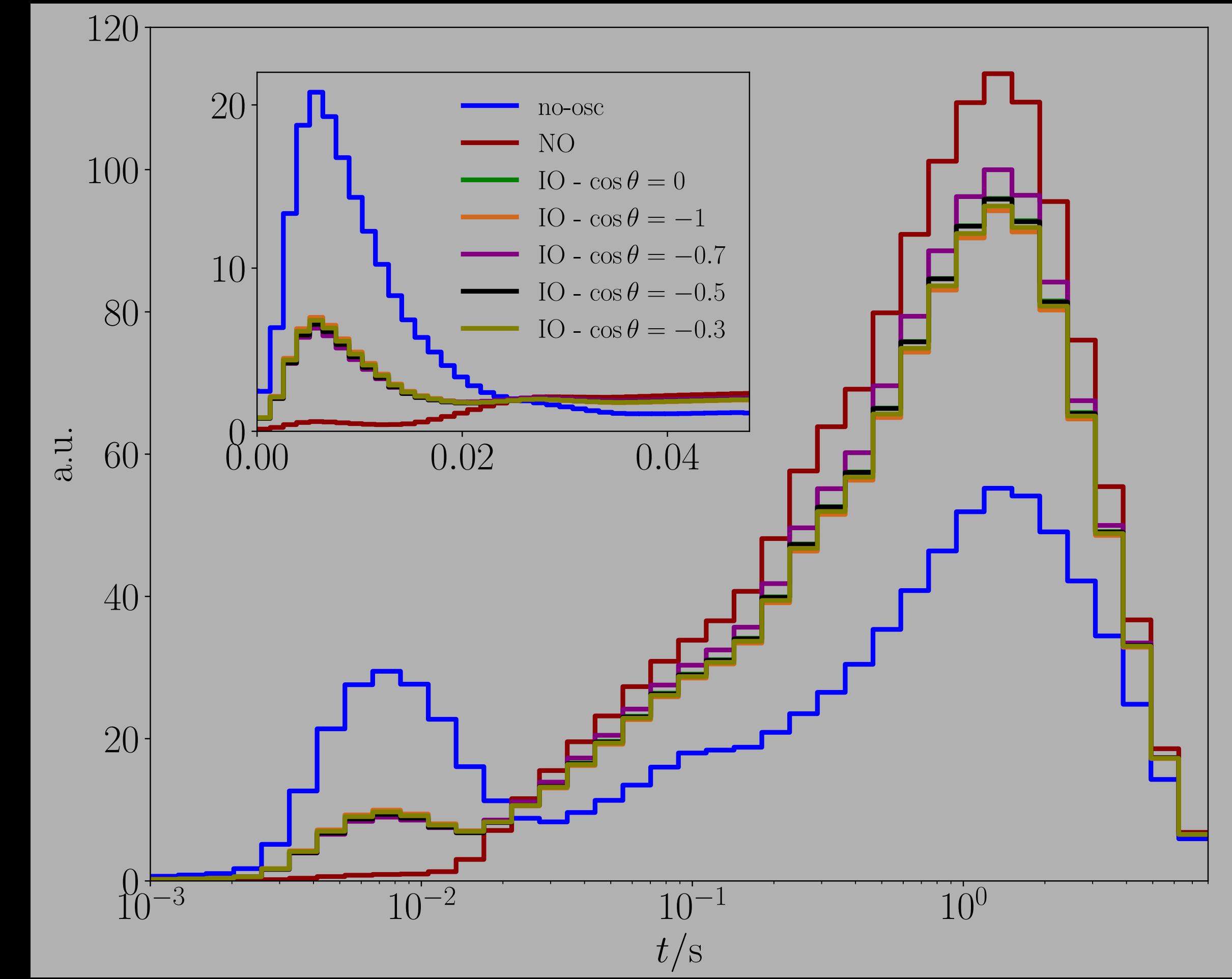
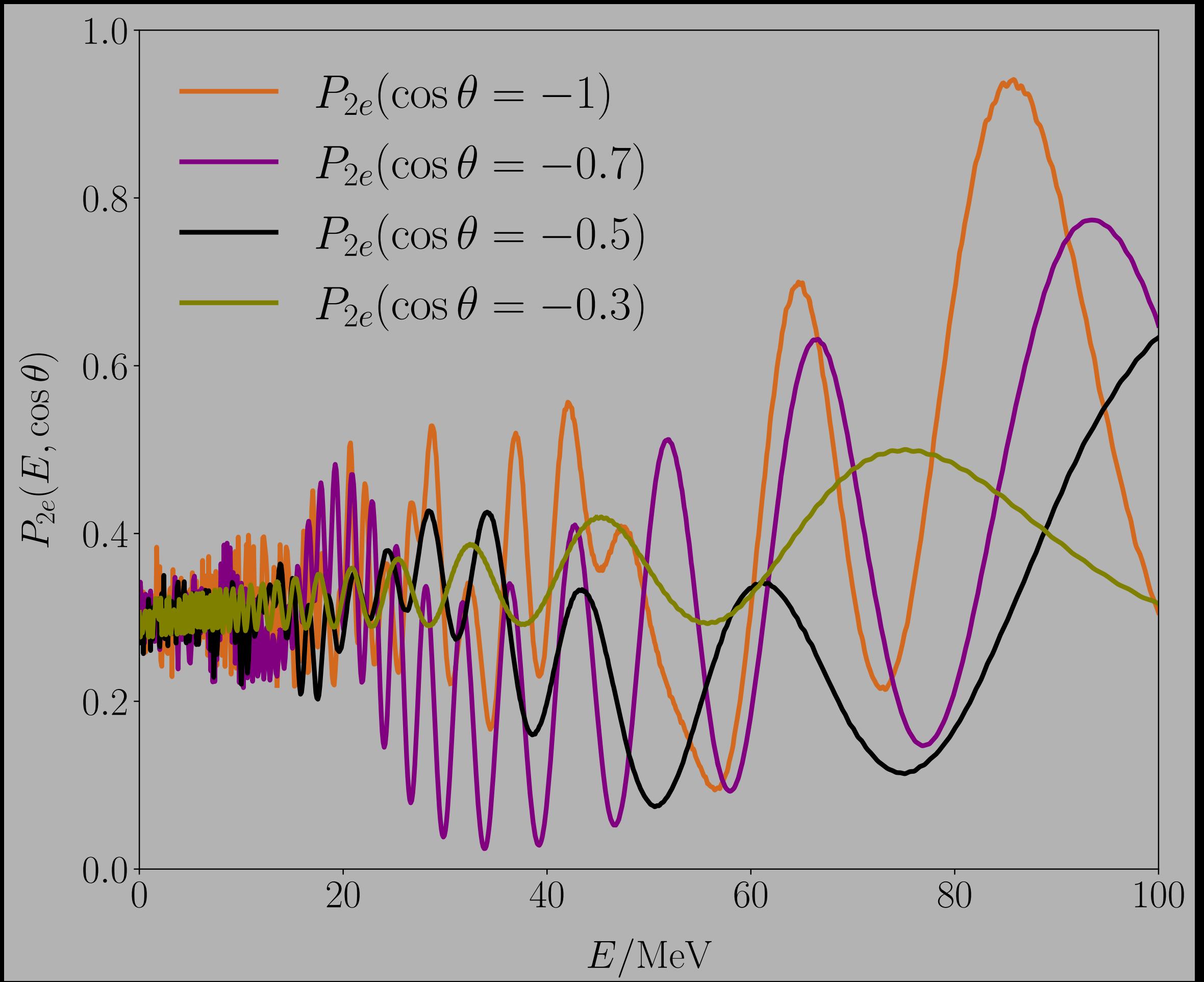
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Dependency on SN distance: $\sim \frac{1}{D^2}$





ν_e channel – IO



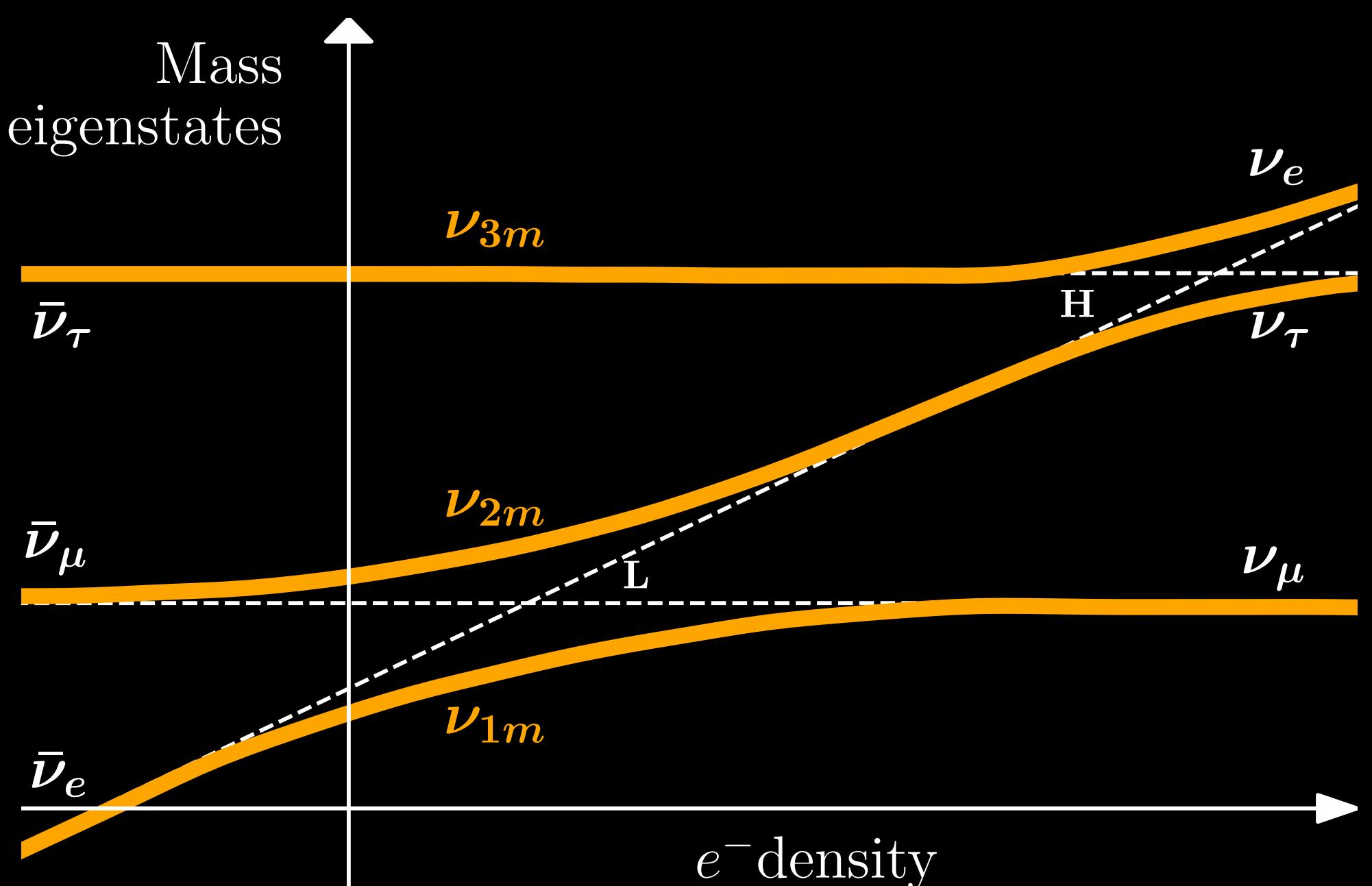
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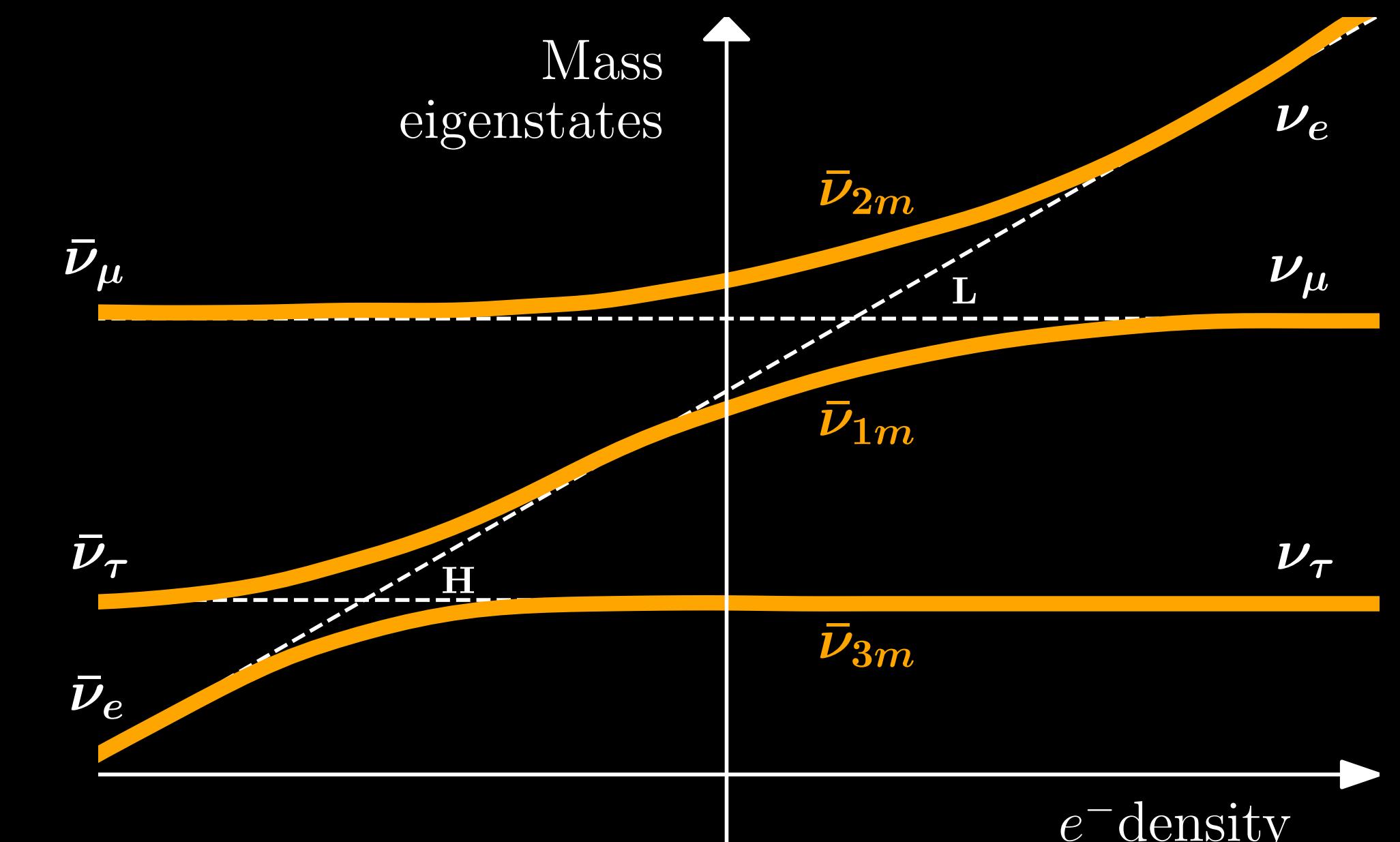
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Adiabatic or partially adiabatic neutrino flavor conversion in medium with varying density

$$\Delta m_{13}^2 > 0$$



$$\Delta m_{13}^2 < 0$$



Current picture

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$$S_{\alpha i}(m_{\beta\beta}, M_{\alpha i}) = \ln 2 \cdot N_A \cdot \varepsilon_\alpha \cdot \left(\frac{T}{1 \text{ yr}} \right) \cdot \widetilde{\Gamma}_\alpha(m_{\beta\beta}, M_{\alpha i})$$

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$$[\varepsilon] = \text{mol} \cdot \text{yr} \quad [b] = \frac{\text{events}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{yr}} \quad N_{\alpha i} = S_{\alpha i} + B_\alpha$$



$$\Delta\chi^2_{ij}(m_{\beta\beta}, M_{\alpha j}; m_{\beta\beta}^{\text{True}}, M_{\alpha i}^{\text{True}}) = 2 \sum_\alpha \left(N_{\alpha j} - N_{\alpha i}^{\text{True}} + N_{\alpha i}^{\text{True}} \ln \frac{N_{\alpha i}^{\text{True}}}{N_{\alpha j}} \right)$$

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Nuclide	Experiment	a_r	b_r	c_r	$T_{1/2}^{90}/10^{26}\text{yr}$
^{76}Ge	GERDA	0.000	4.871	0.000	1.8
	MAJORANA	0.000	2.246	0.000	0.83
^{130}Te	CUORE	0.257	-0.667	0.433	0.22
^{136}Xe	KamLAND-Zen	14.315	0.000	0.000	2.3
	EXO-200	0.443	-0.342	0.066	0.35

Updated with recent results

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nEXO	^{136}Xe	13700	$4.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$14.56 \cdot 10^{-26}$