

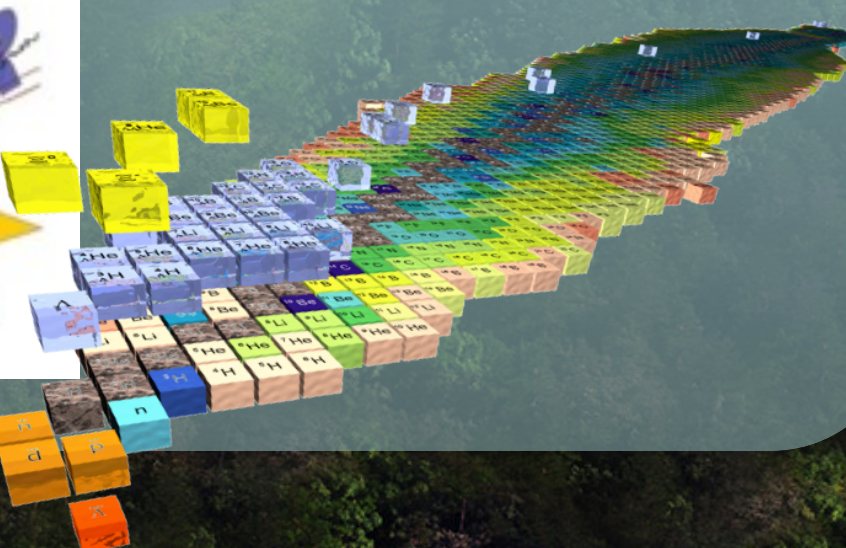
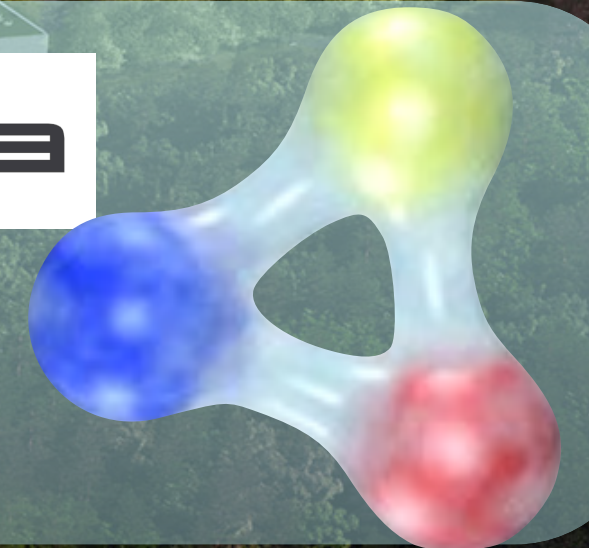
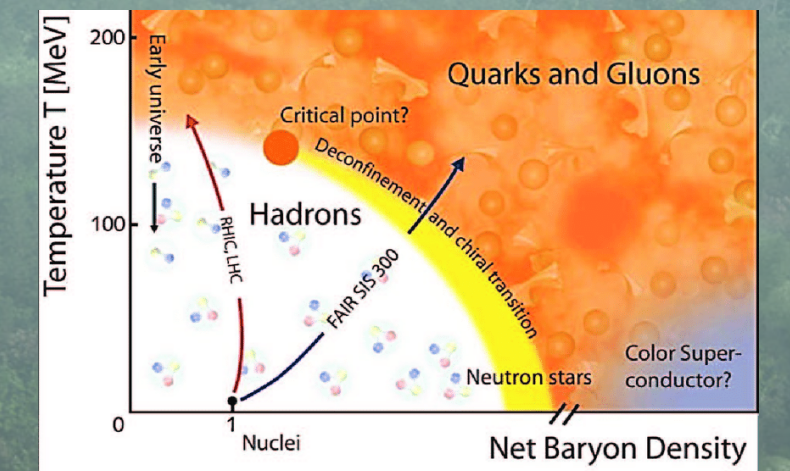
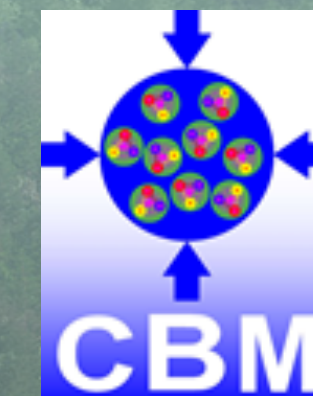
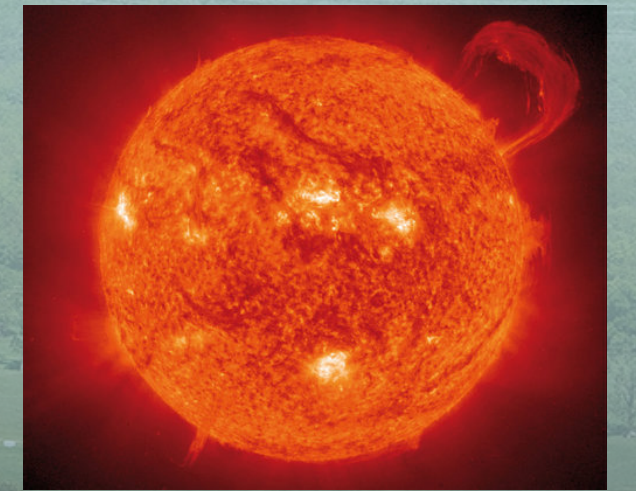


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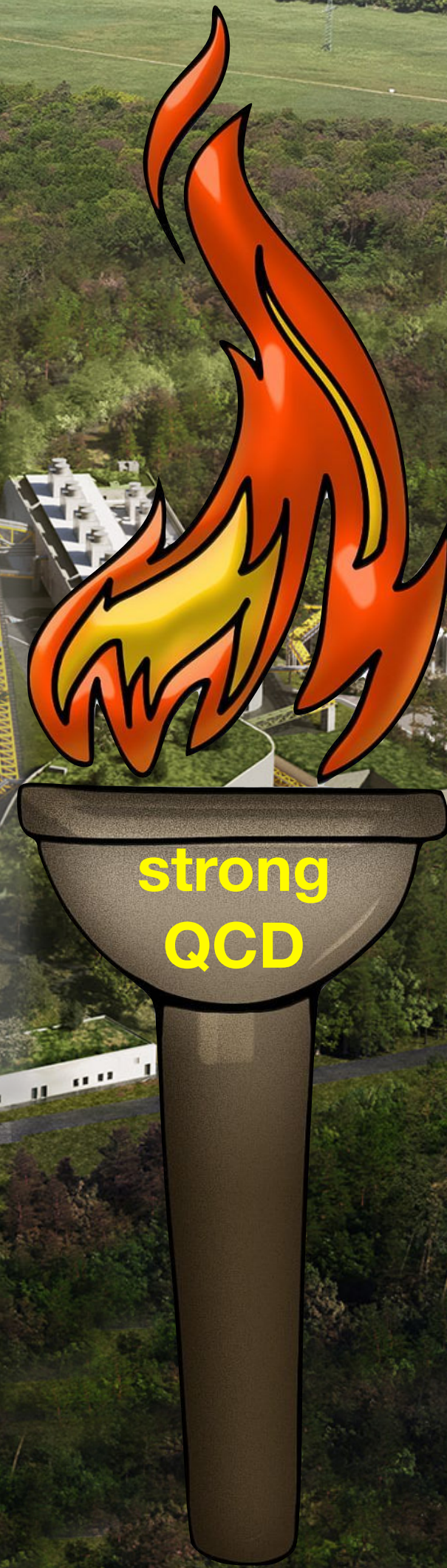
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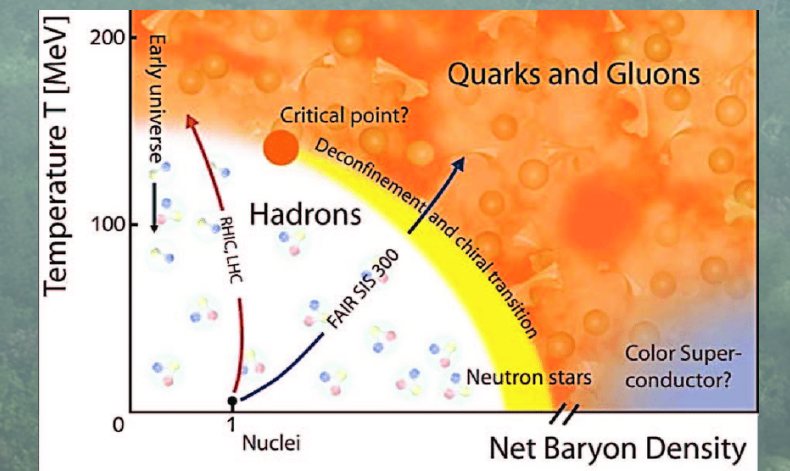
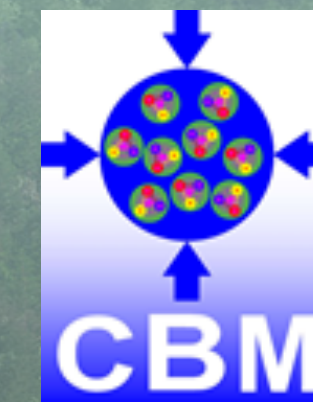
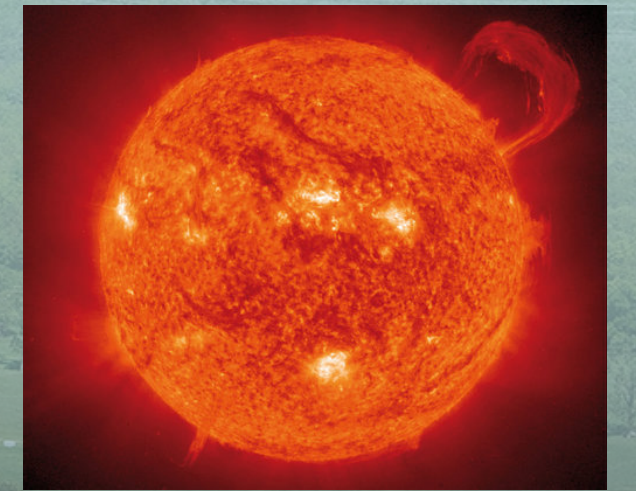
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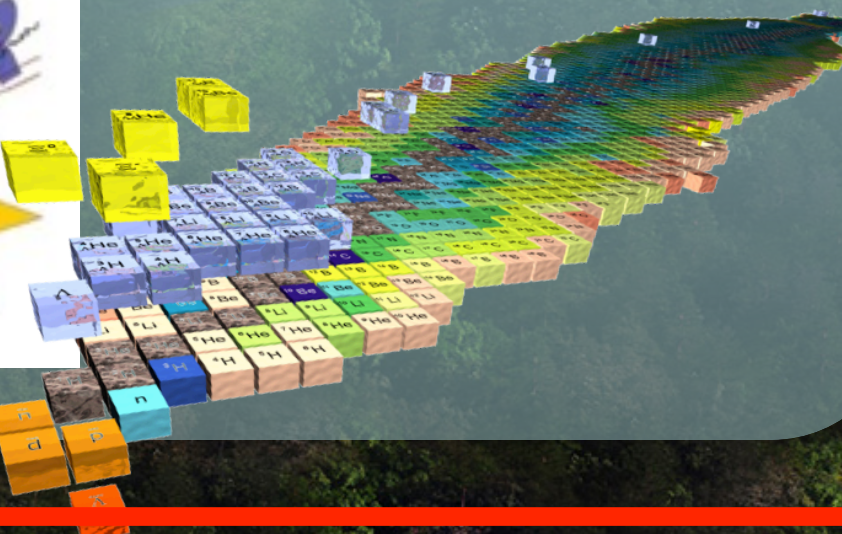
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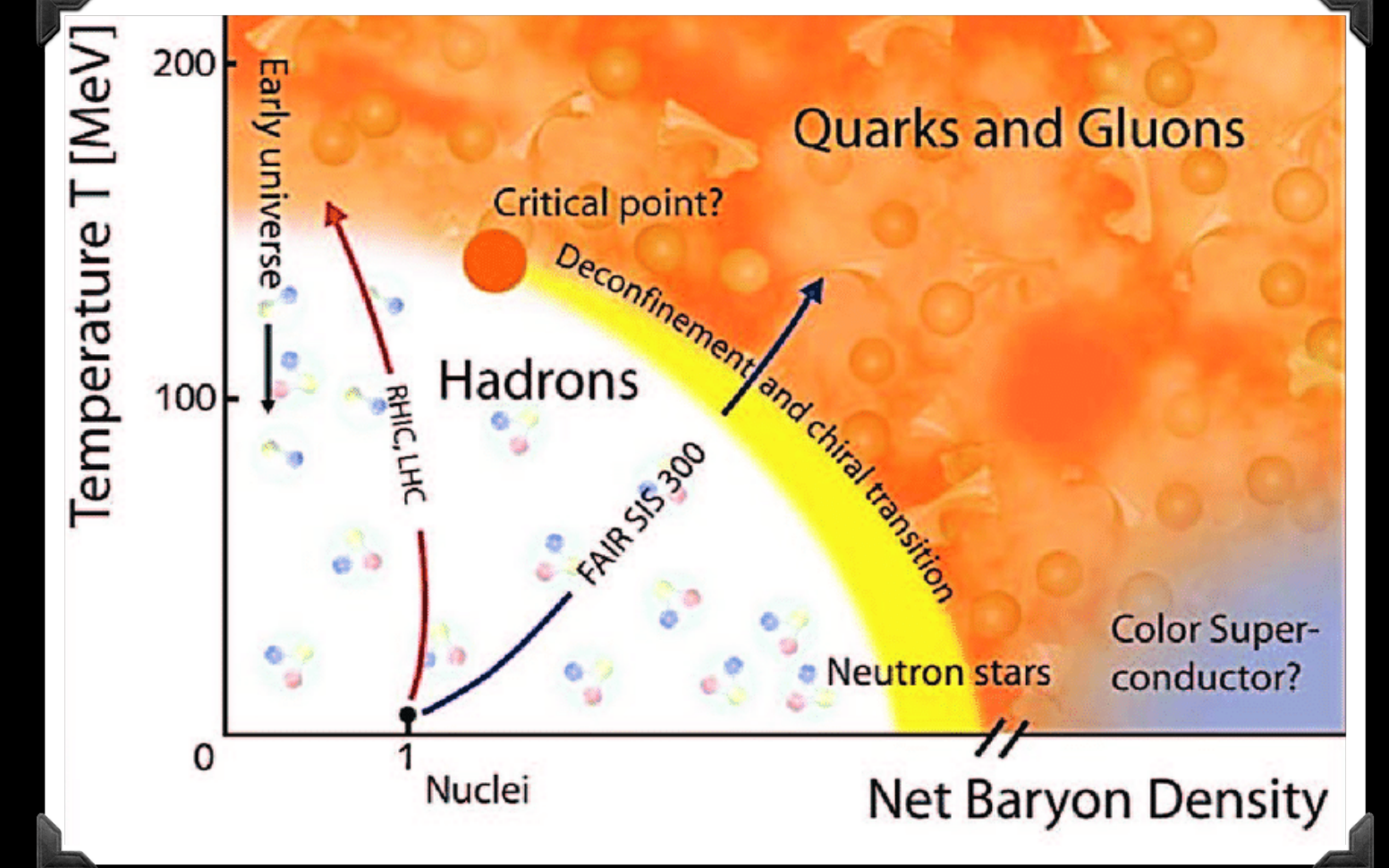
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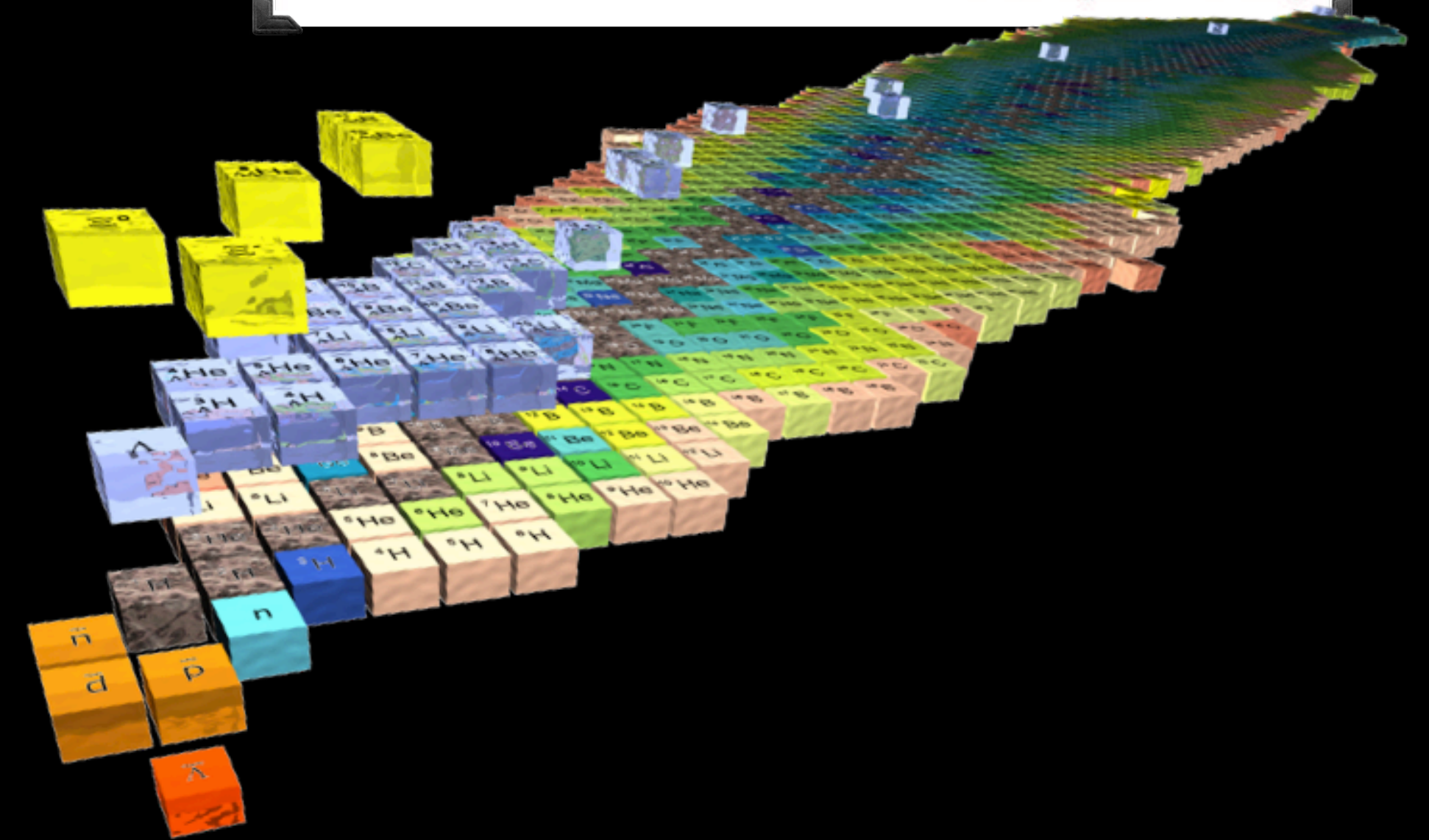
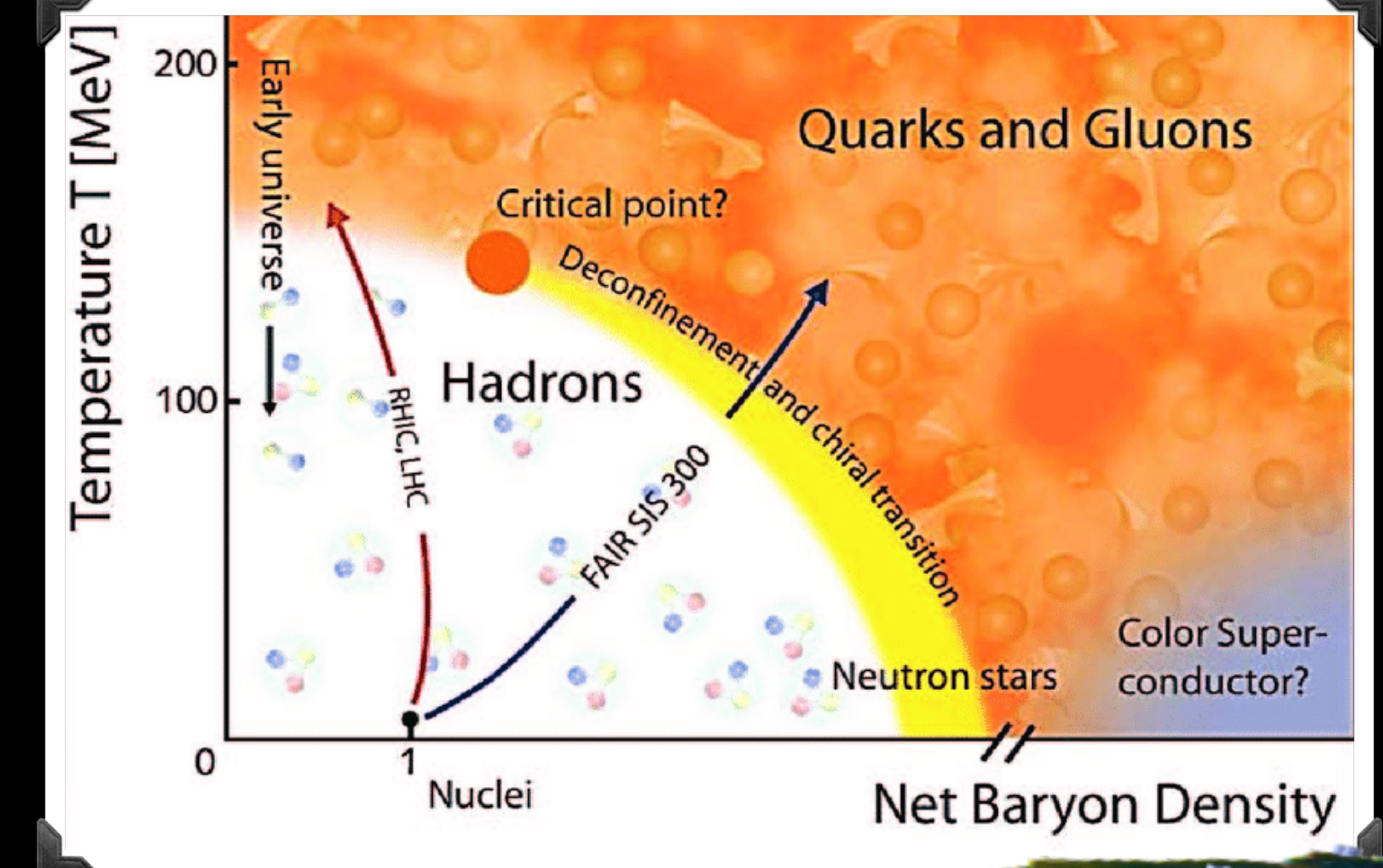
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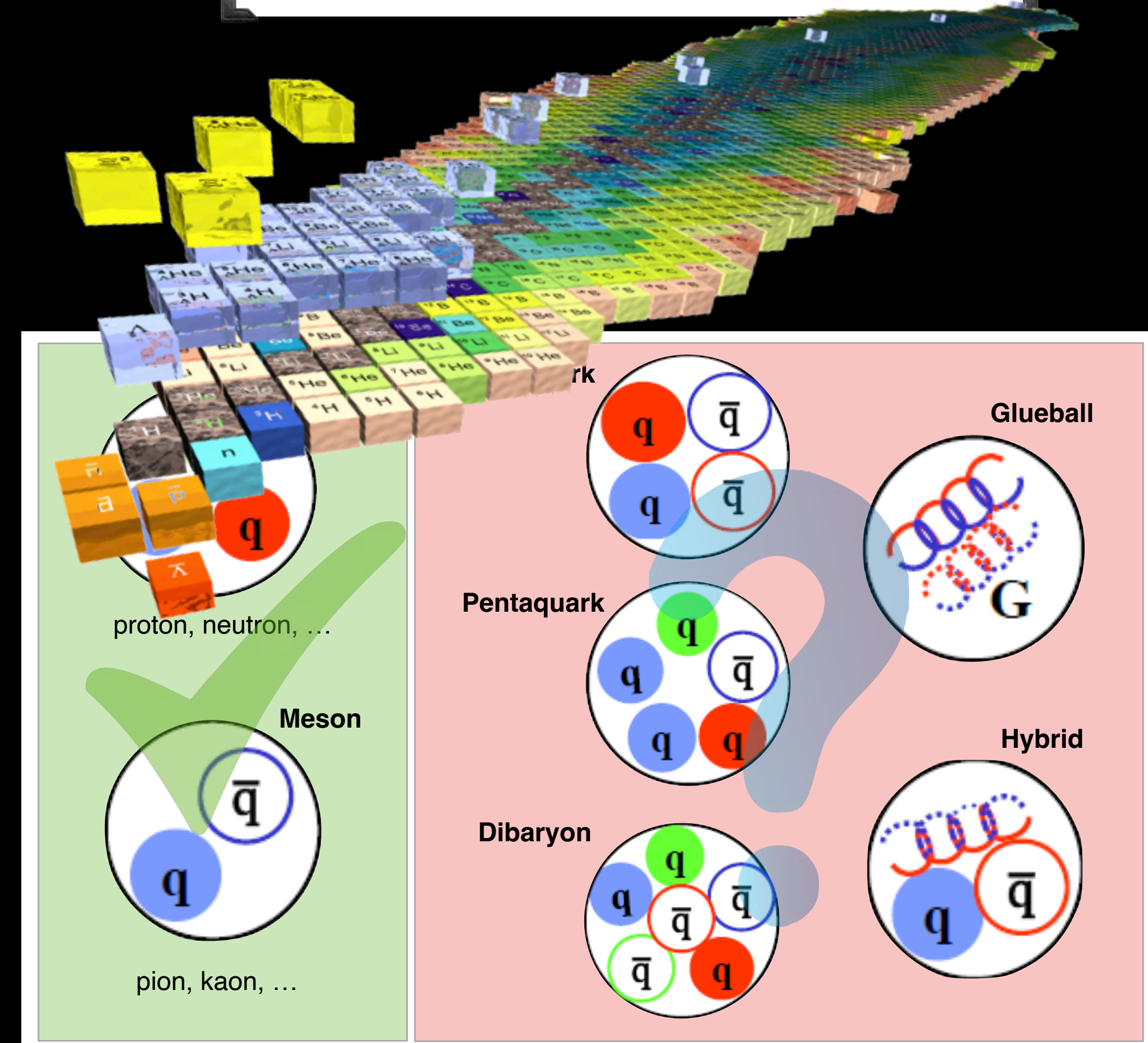
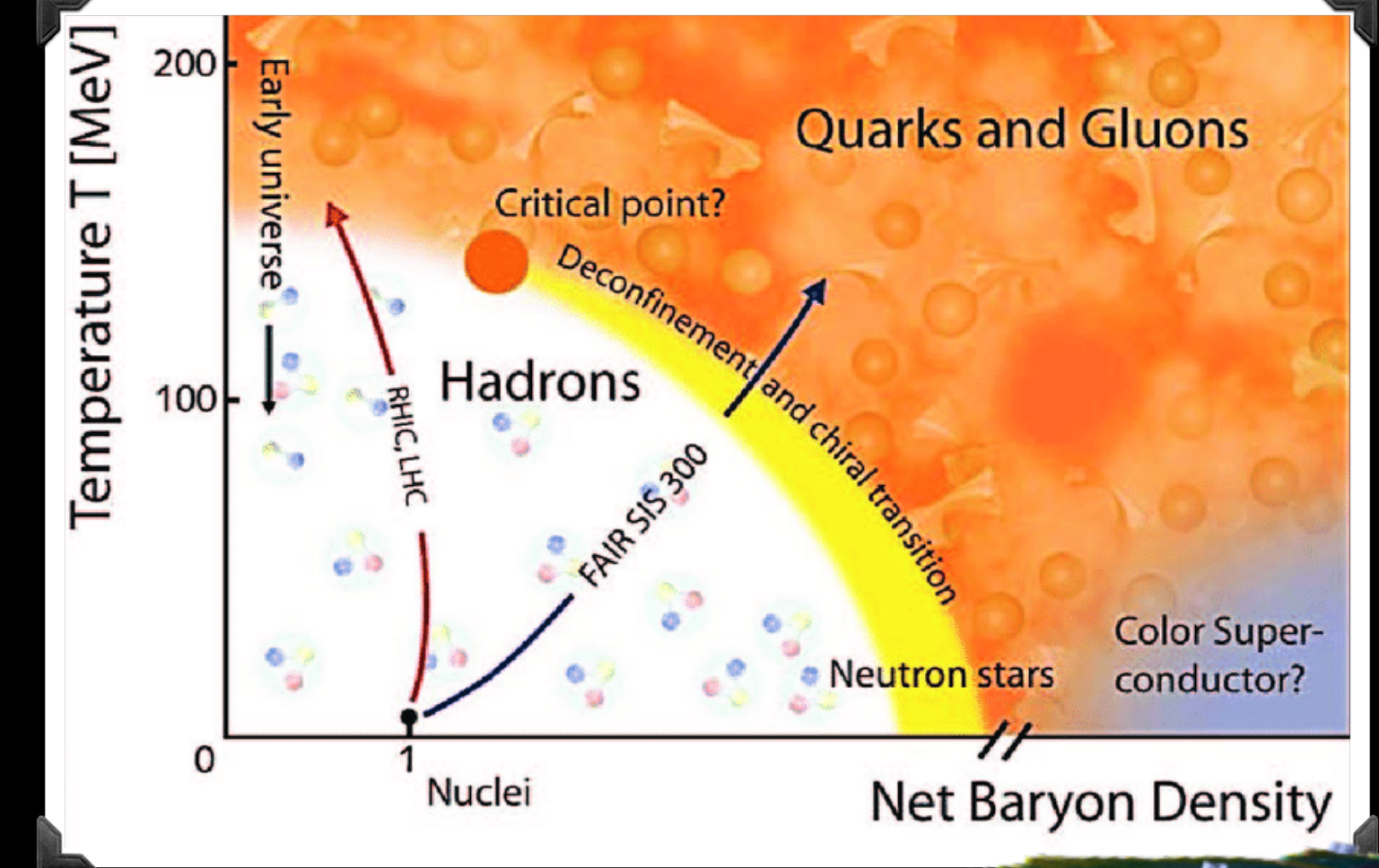
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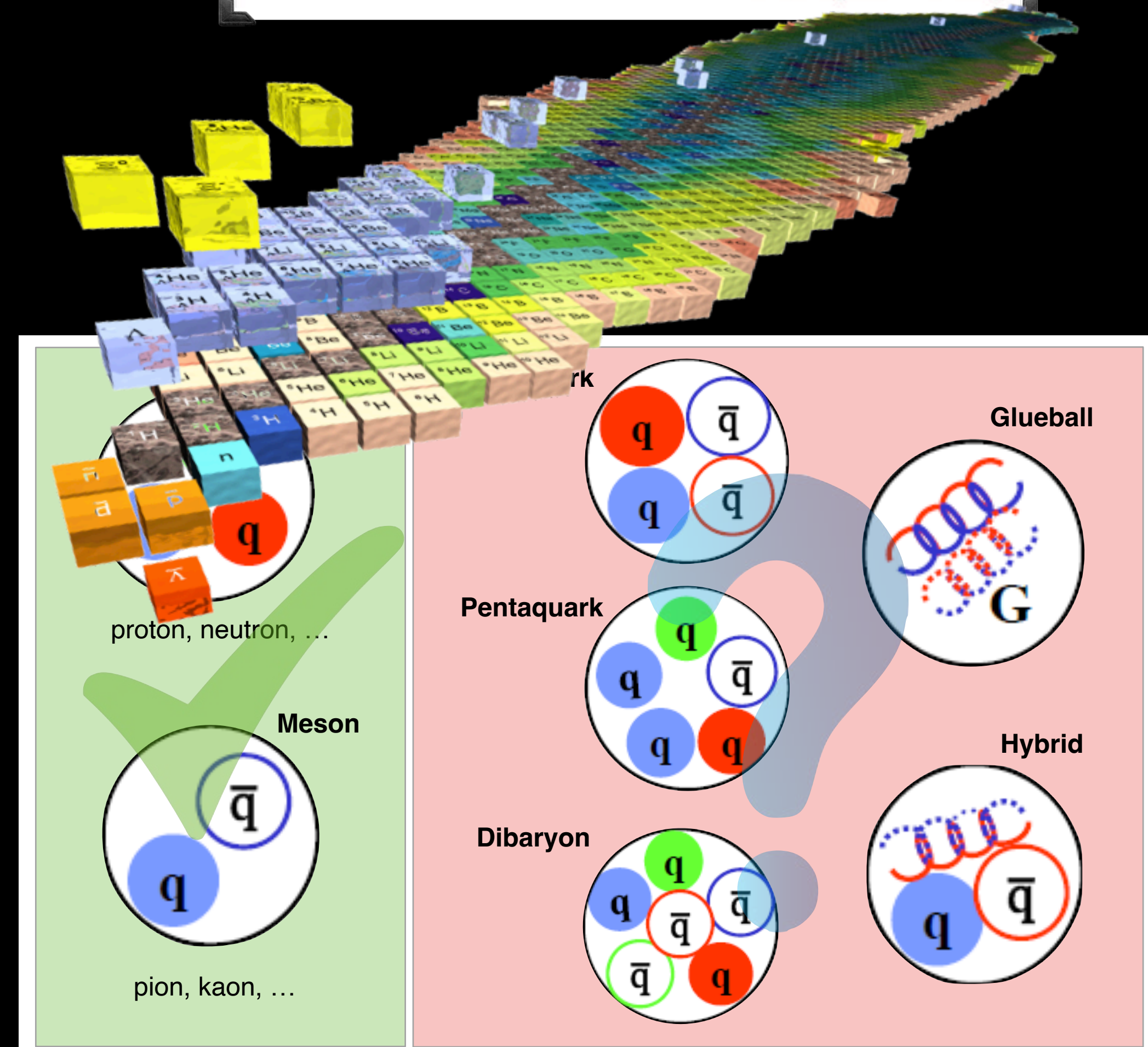
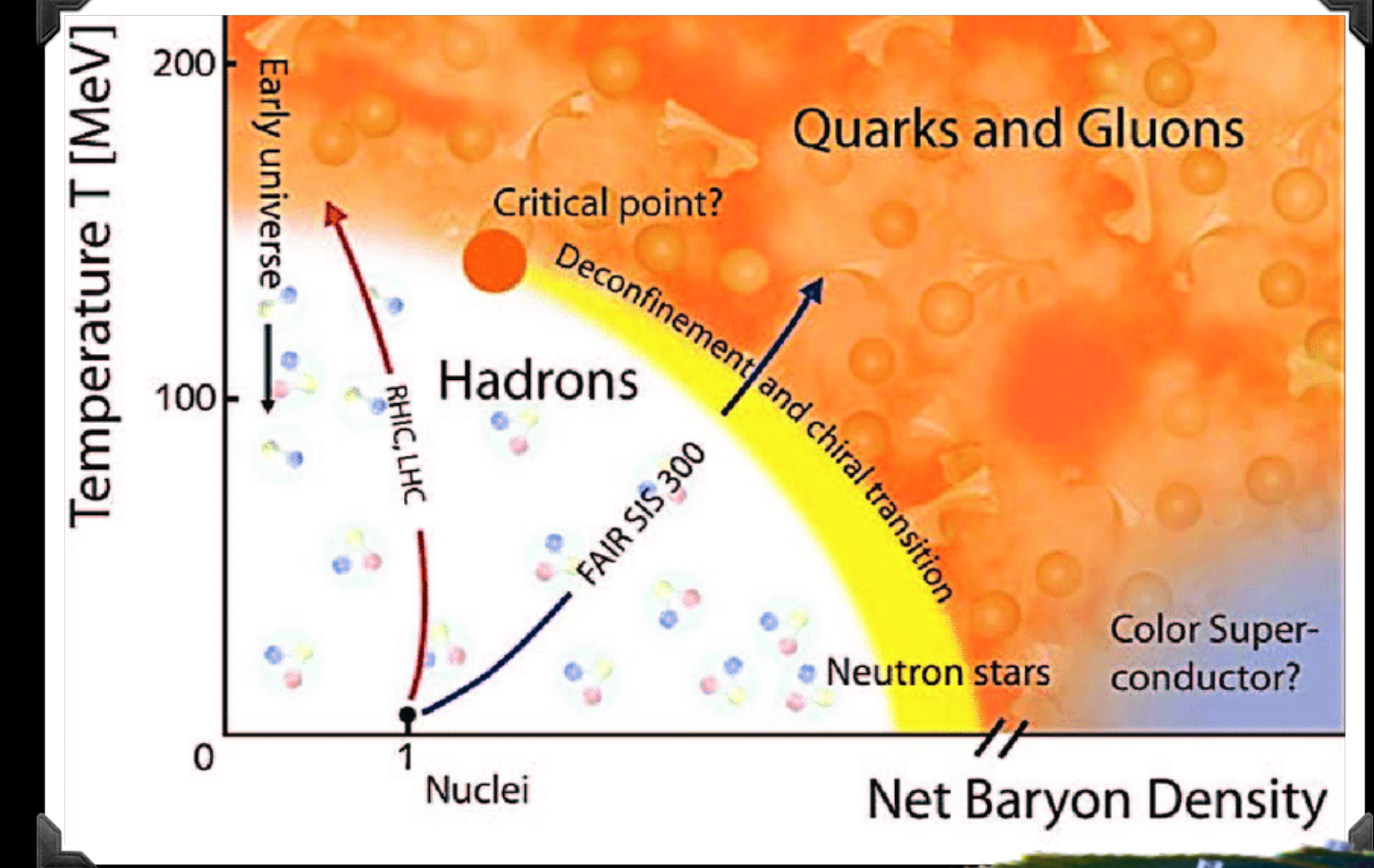
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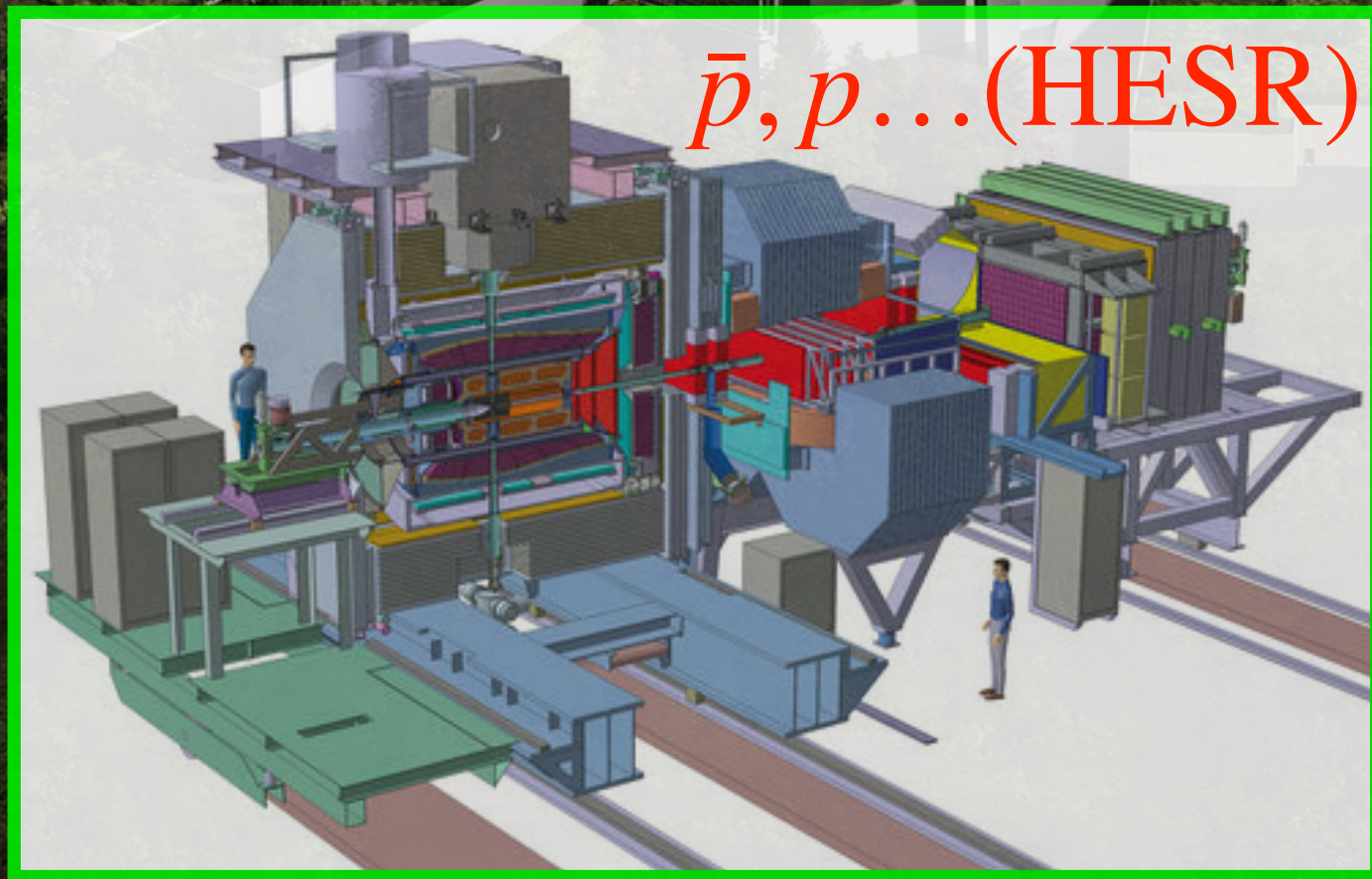
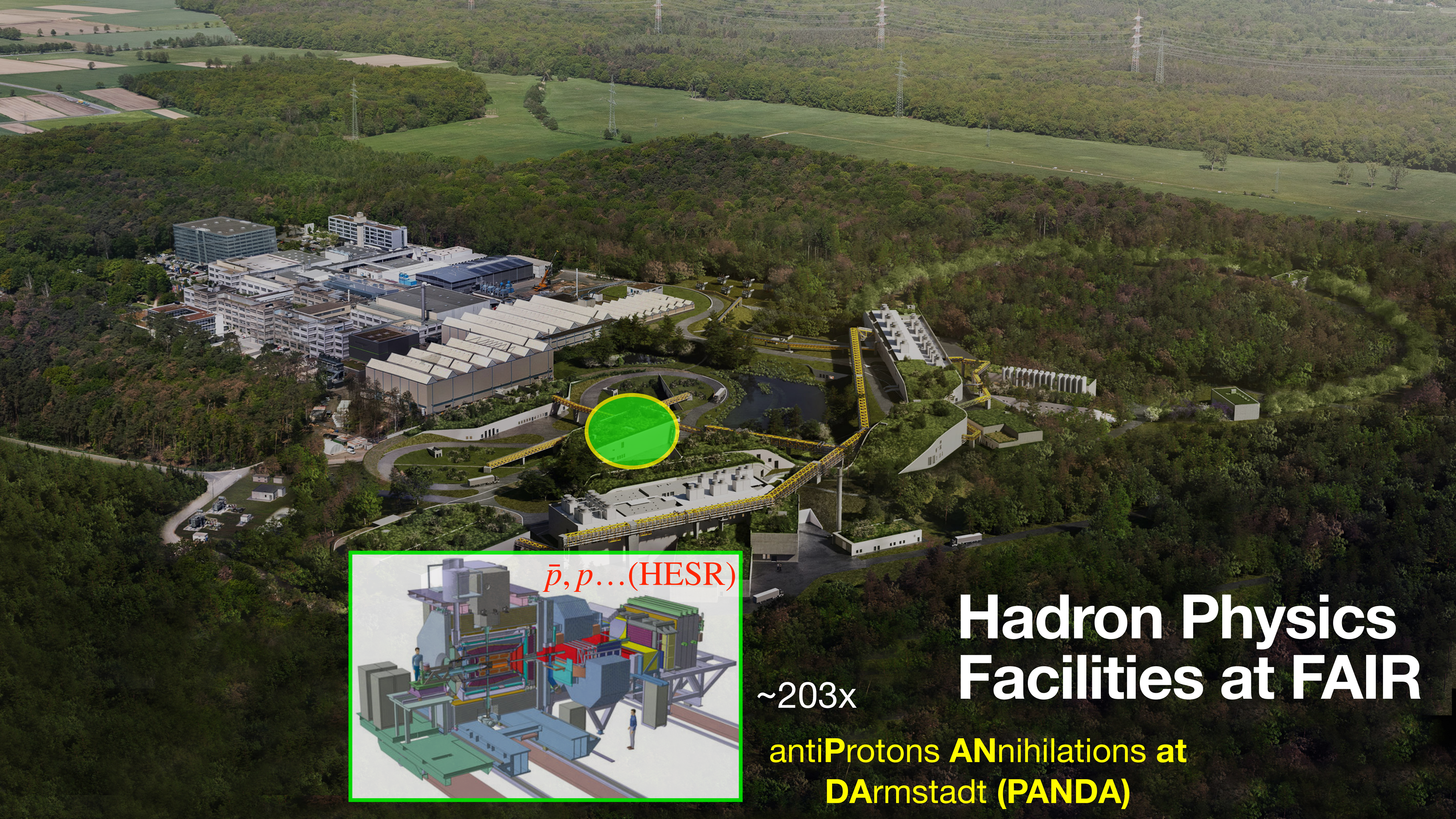
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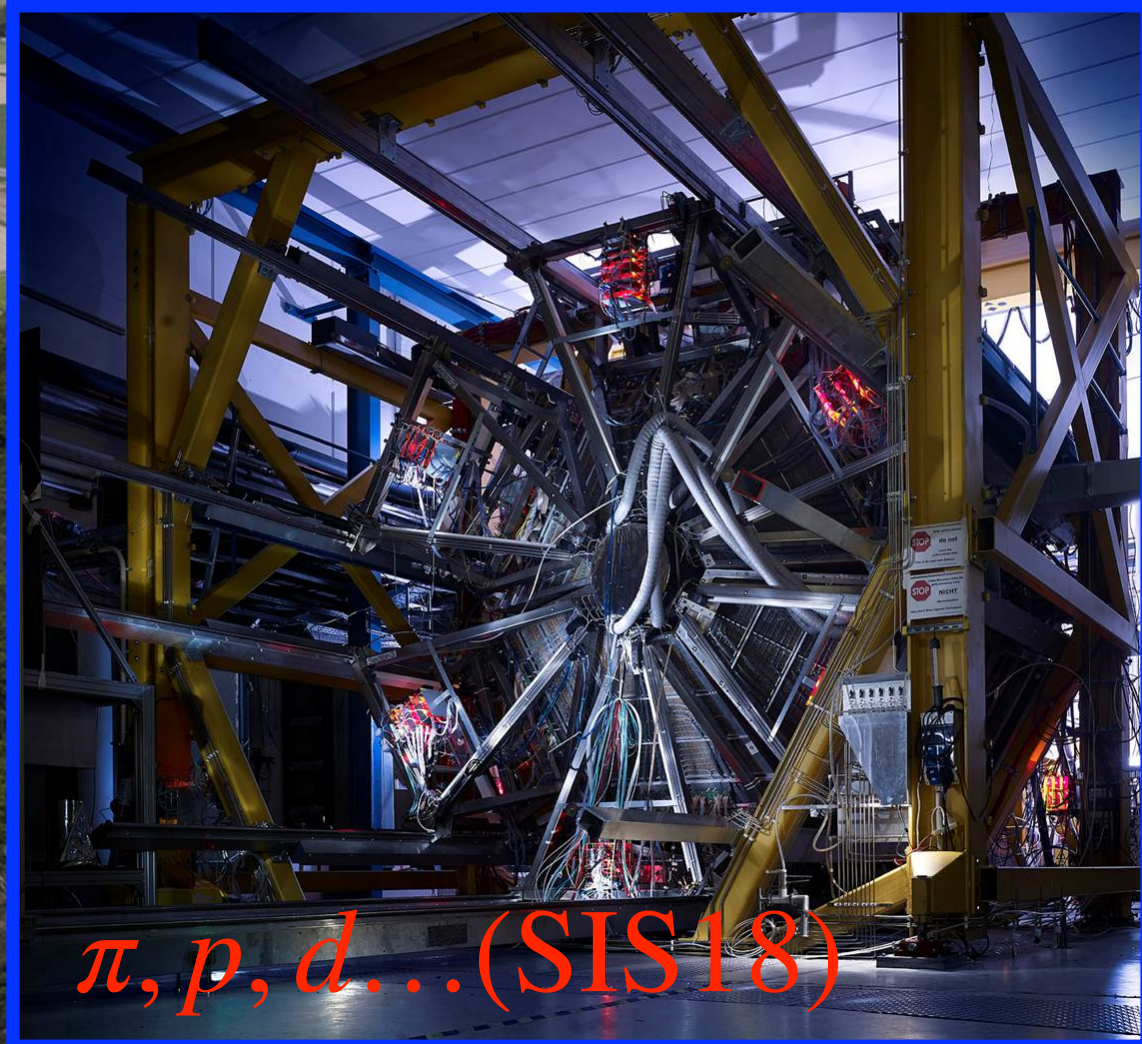
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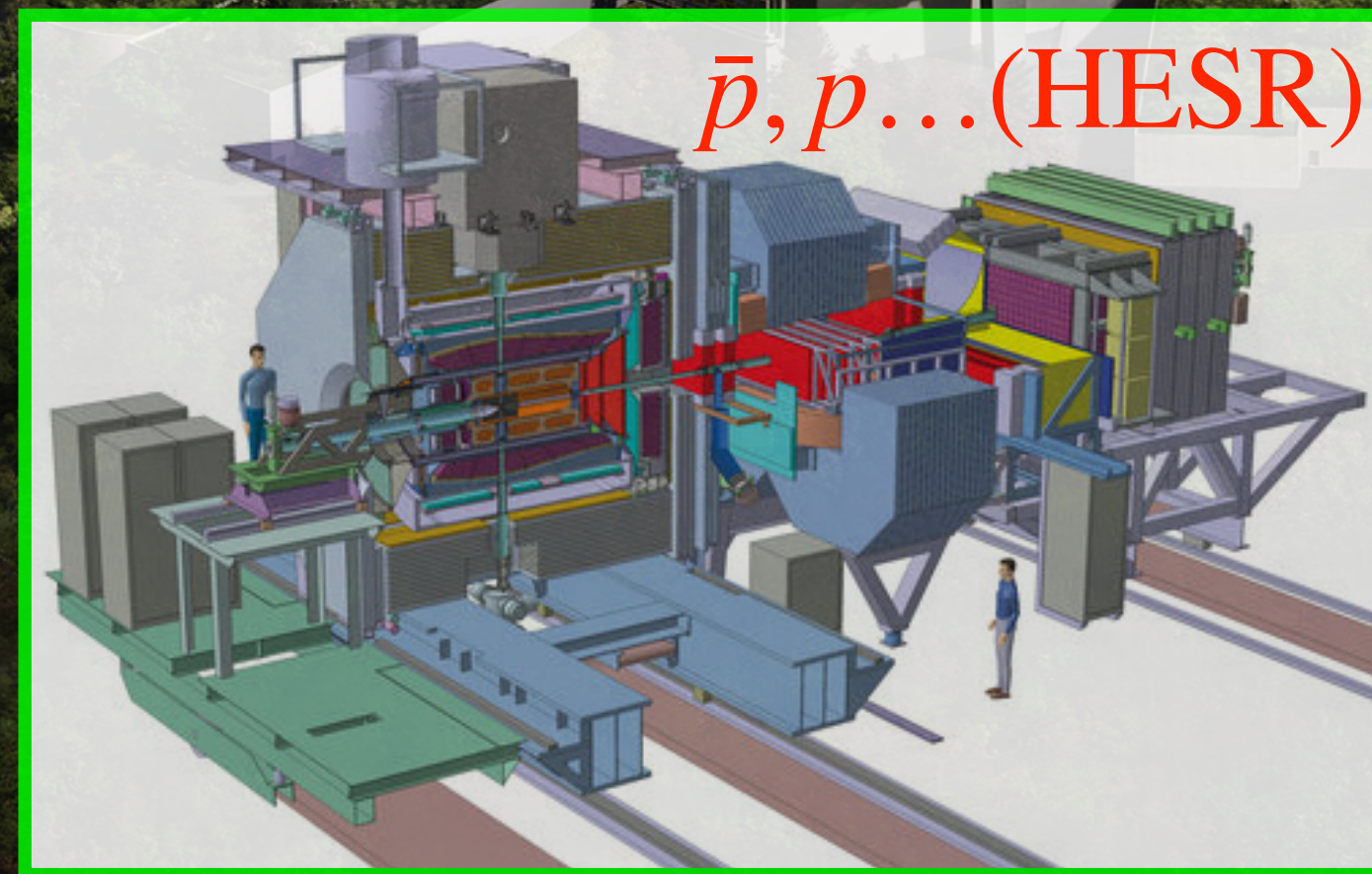
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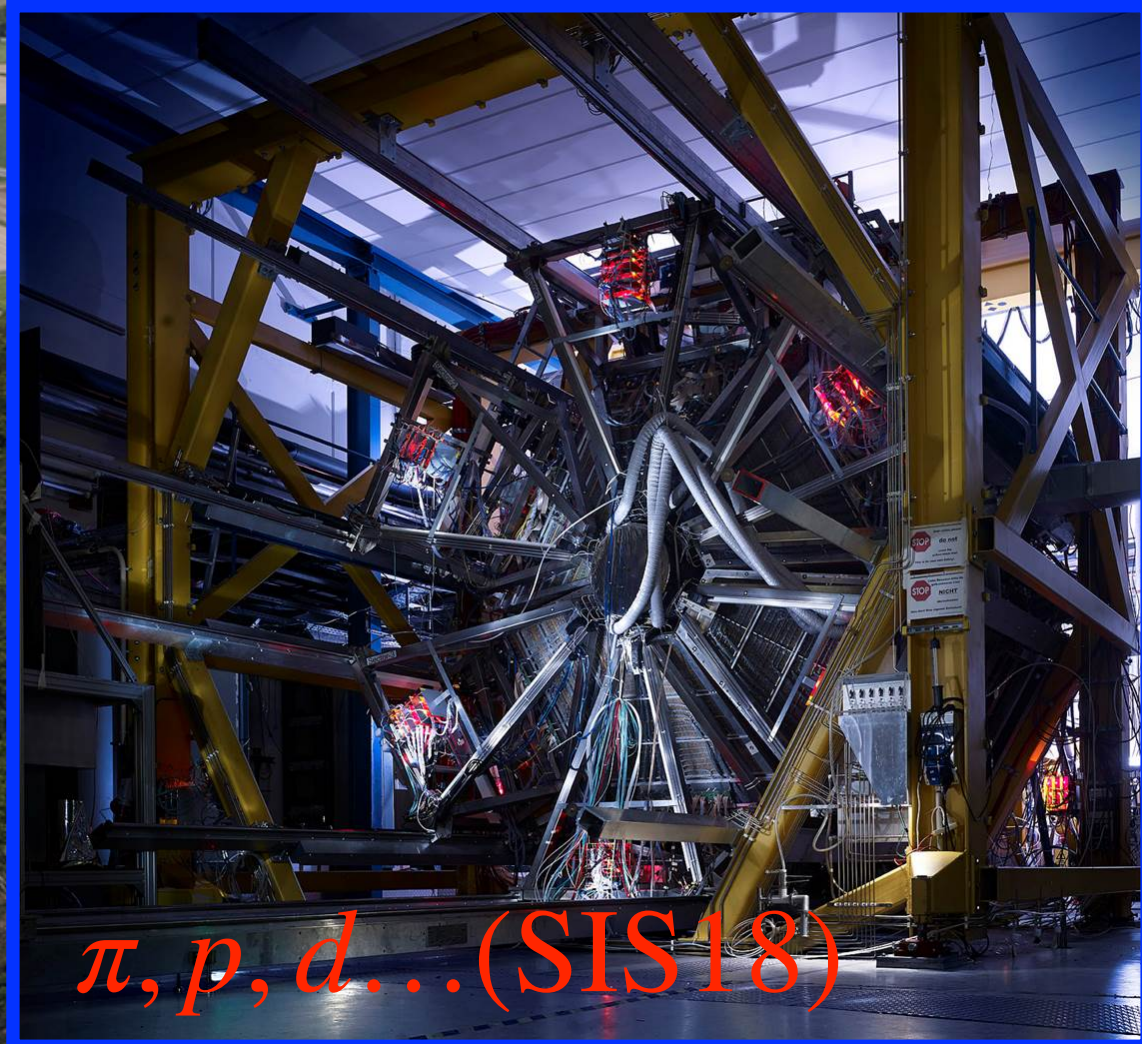
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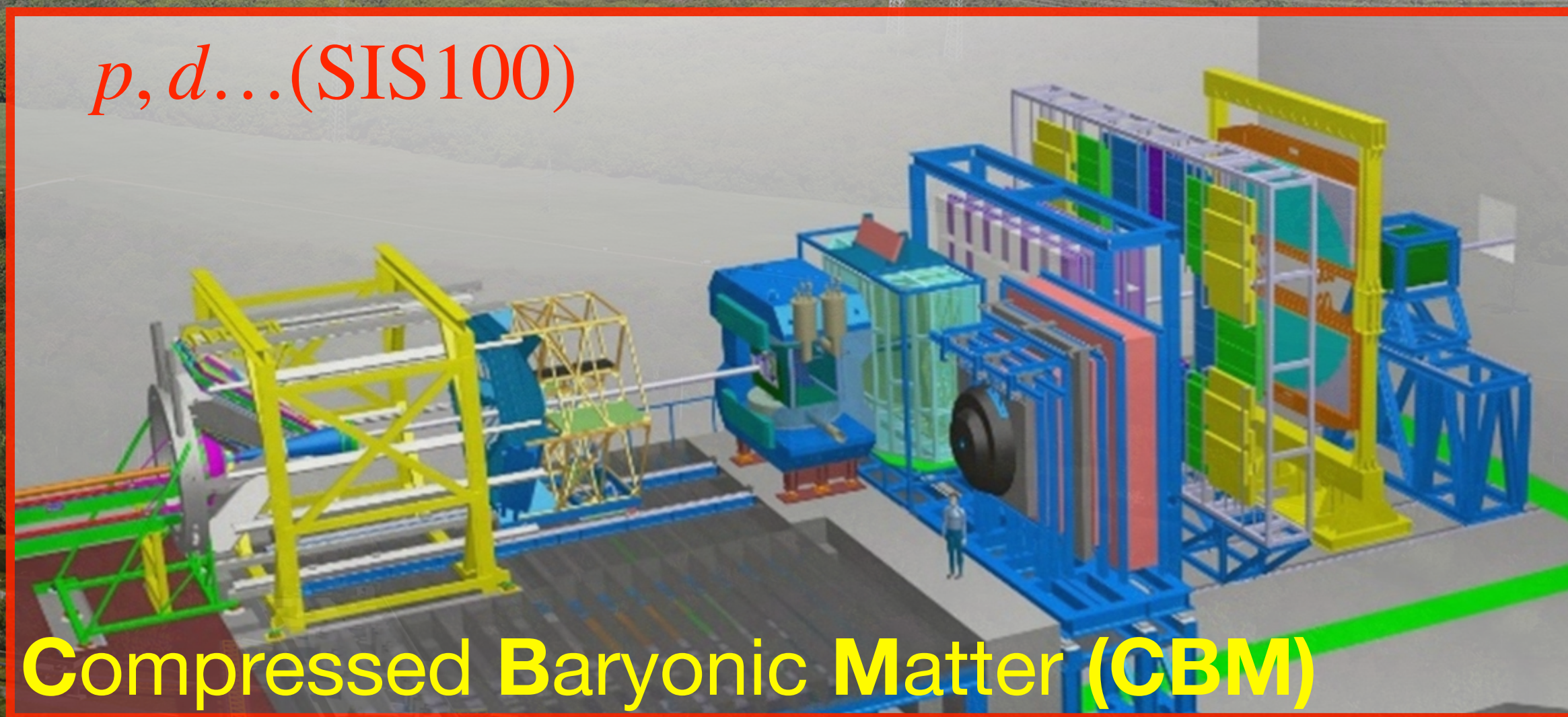
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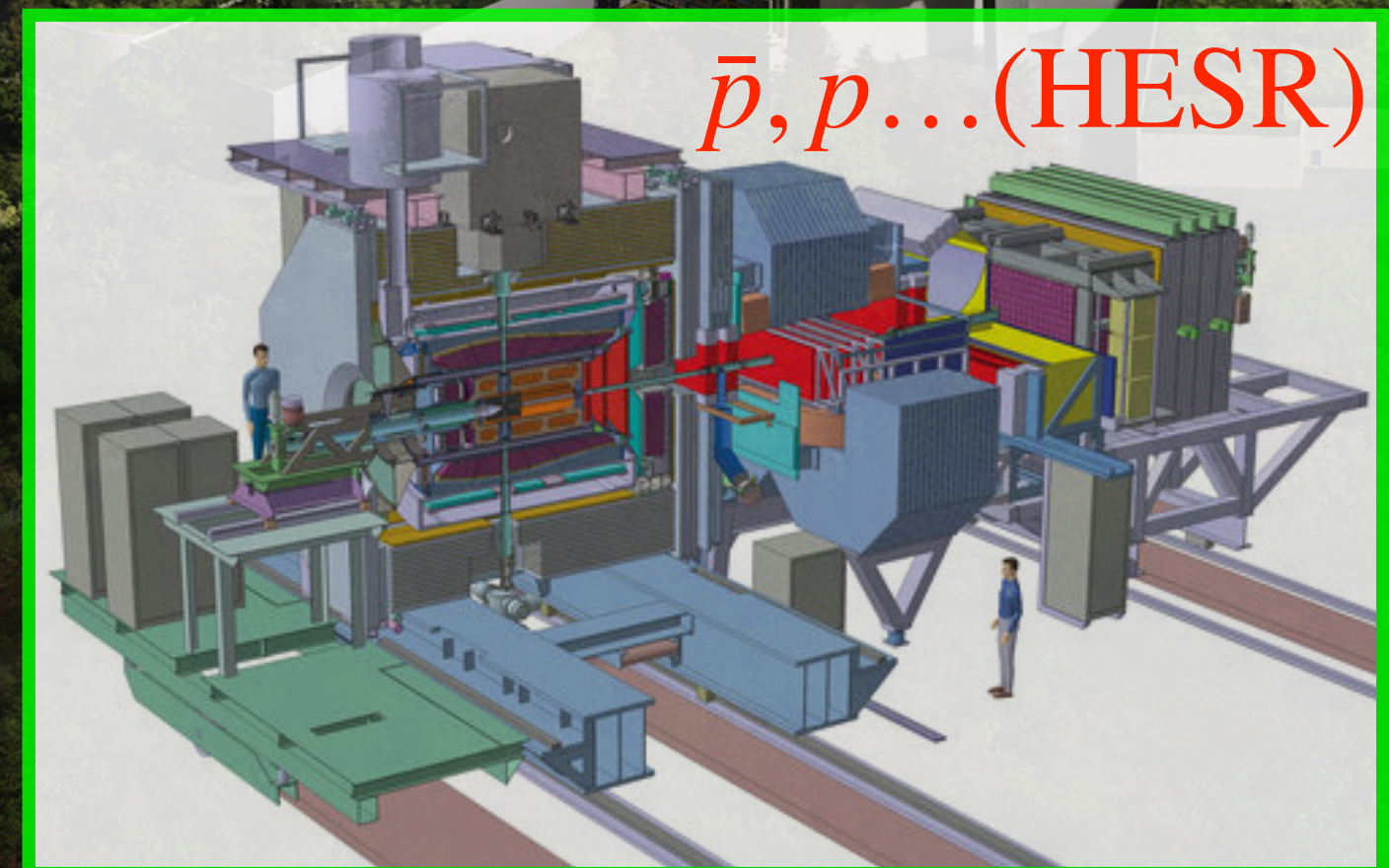
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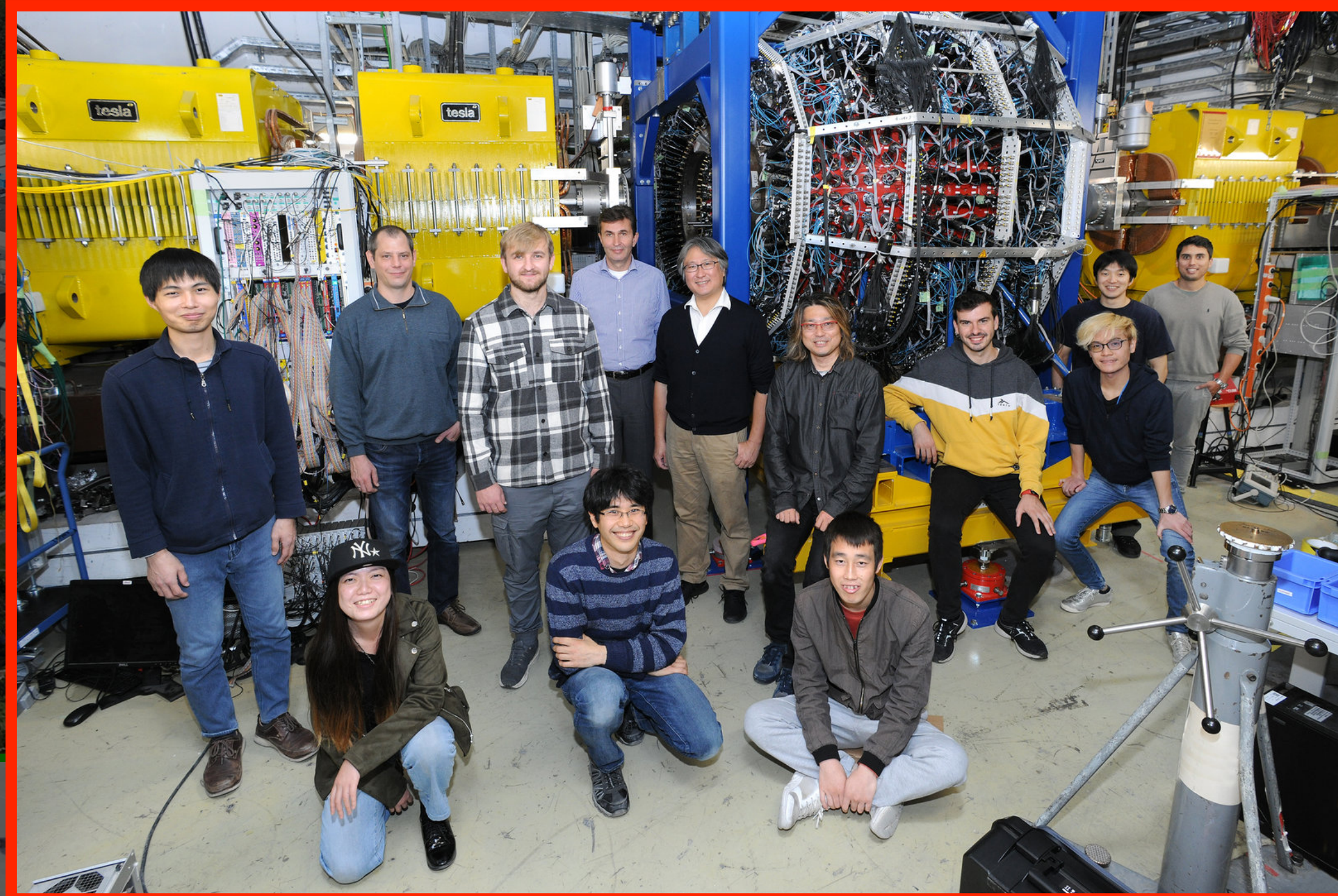
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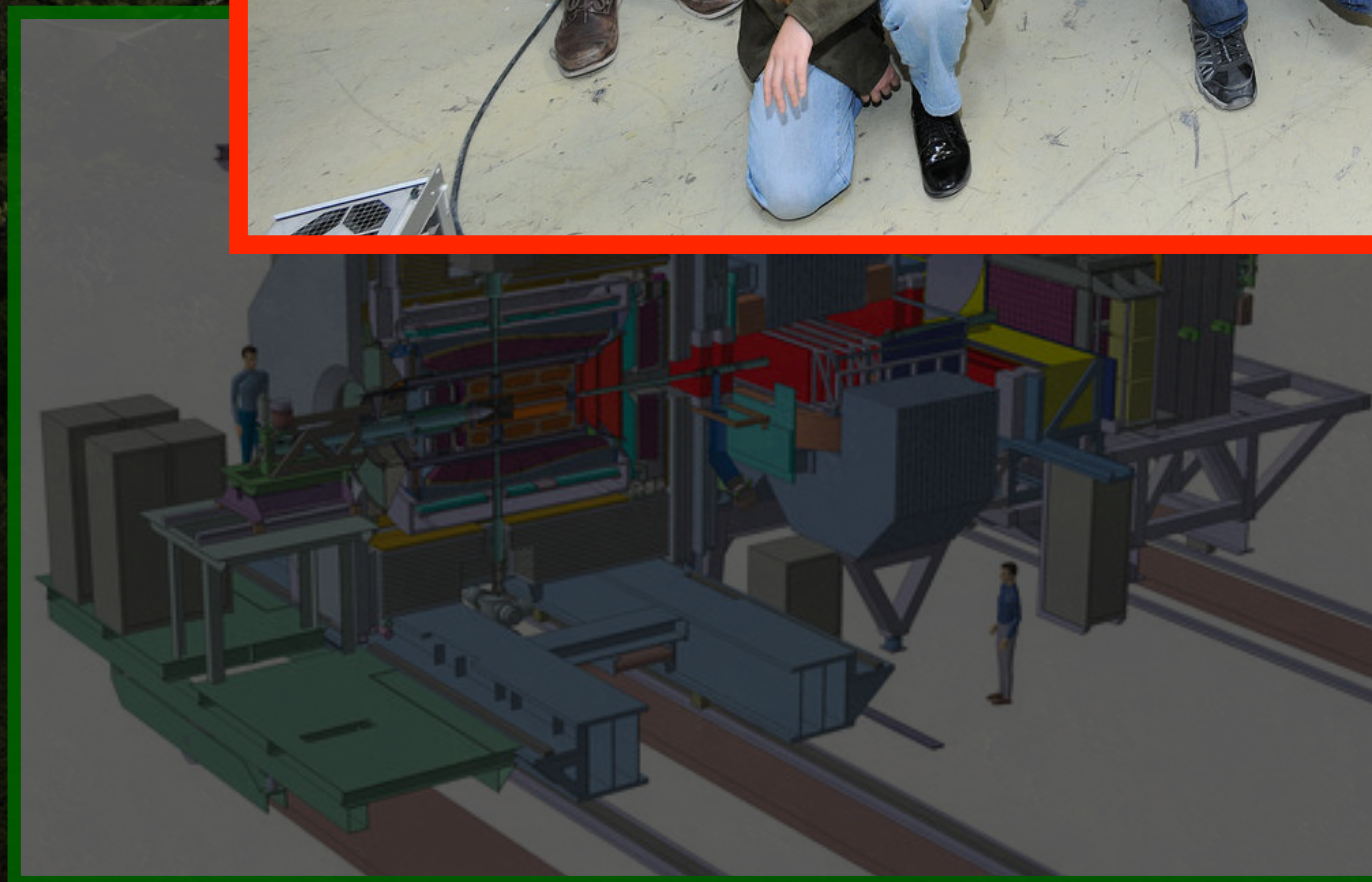
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Purpose of our *white paper*

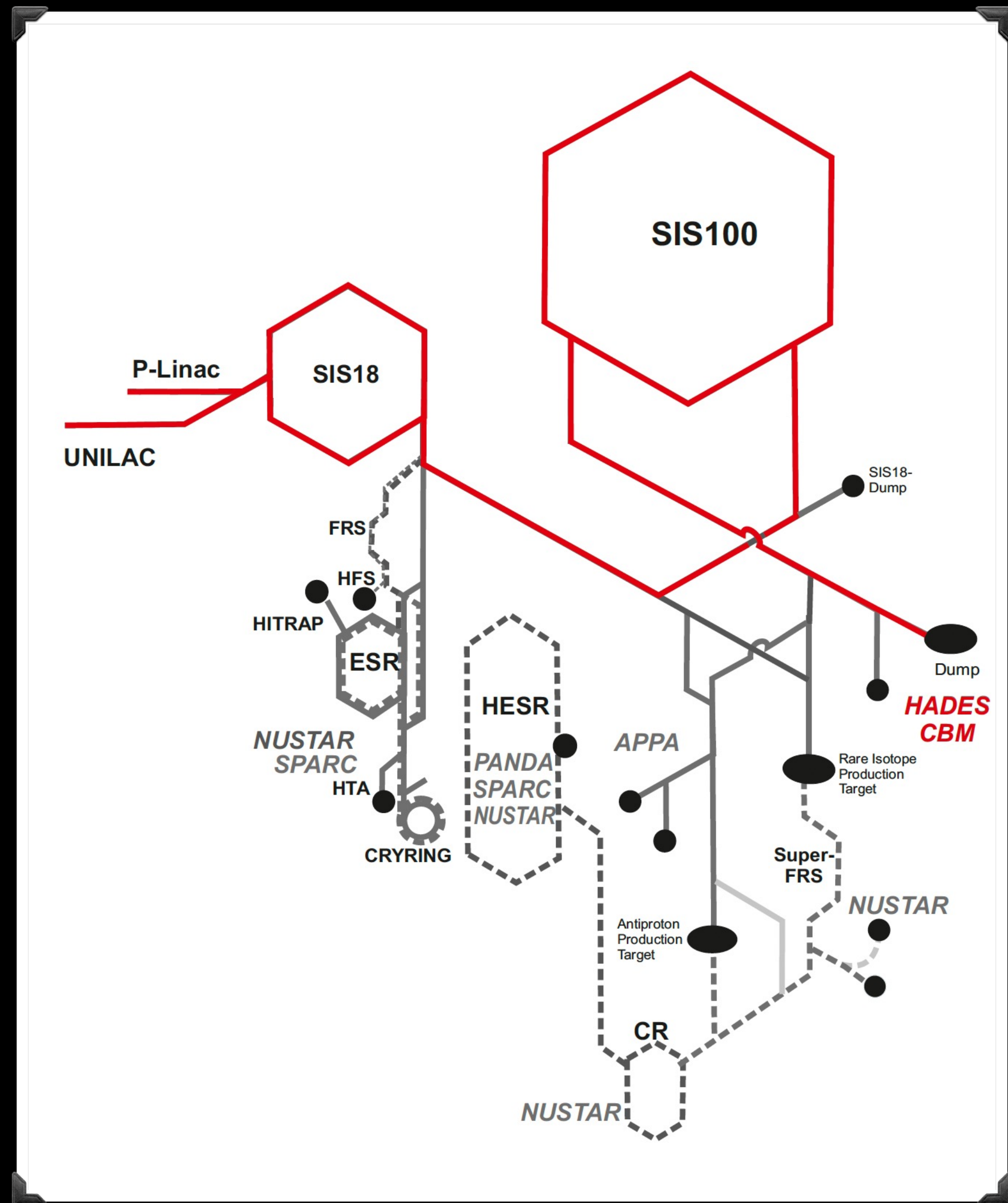
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- **Initiative** from **FAIR**-motivated **group** from within various collaborations, such as CBM, HADES, PANDA
- Promote the realisation of **First Science+** (FS+) at FAIR
- Identify a *QCD-inspired* **physics program with proton beams**
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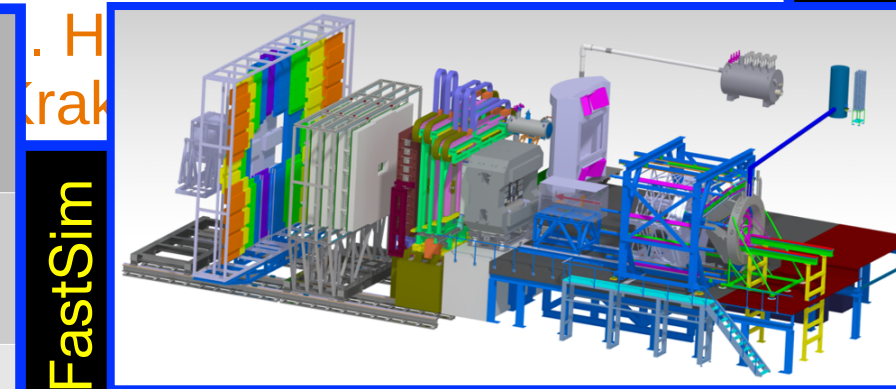
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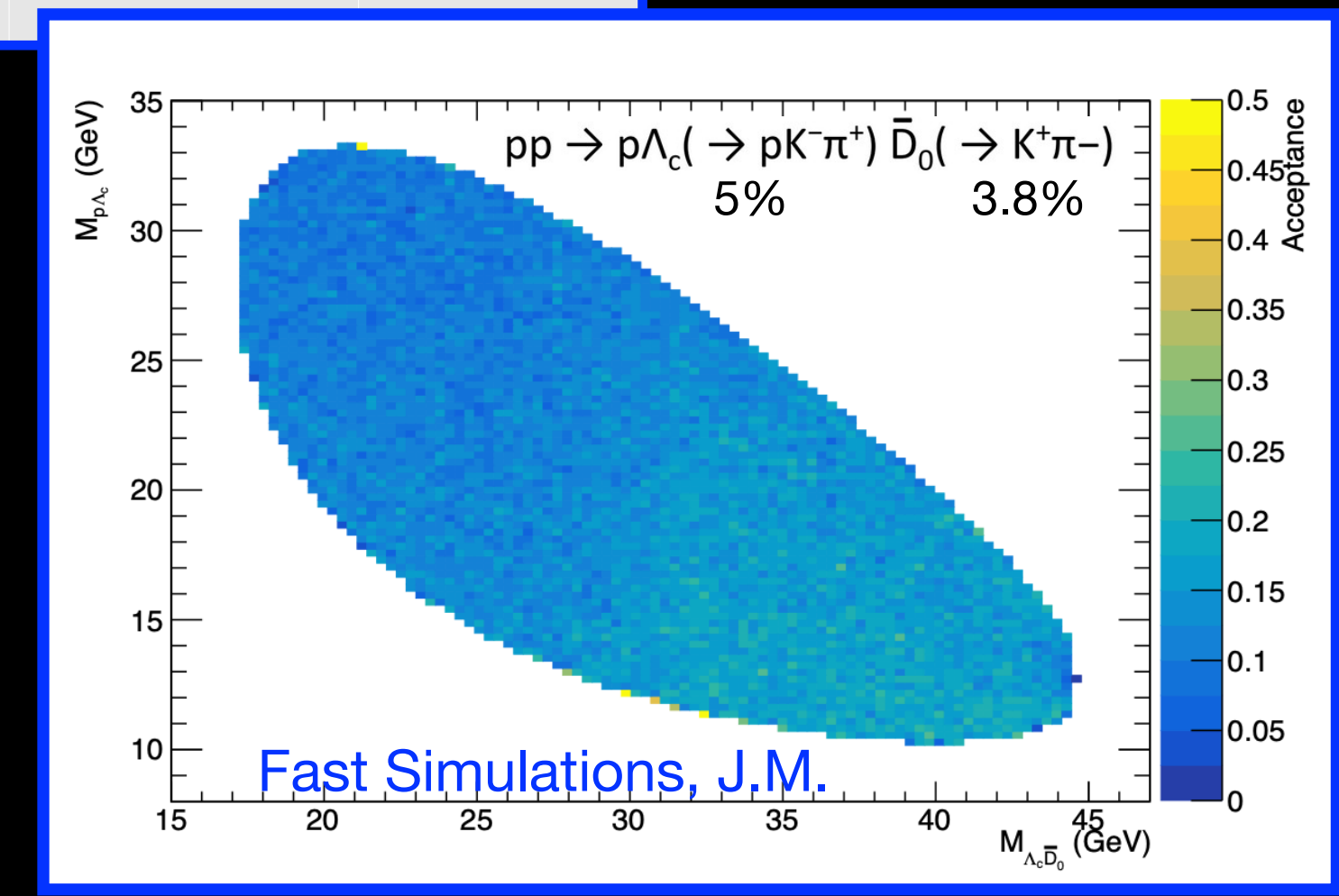
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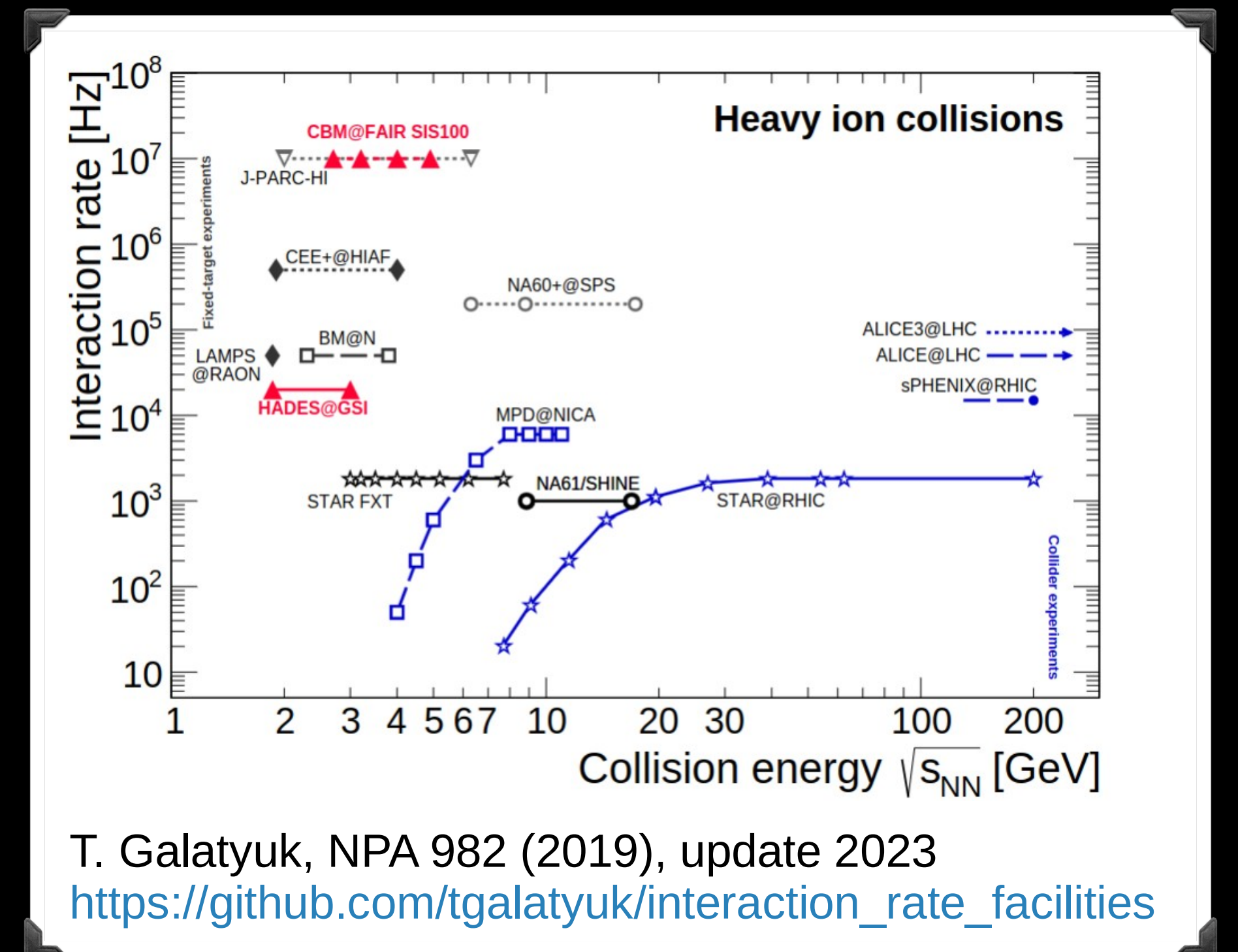
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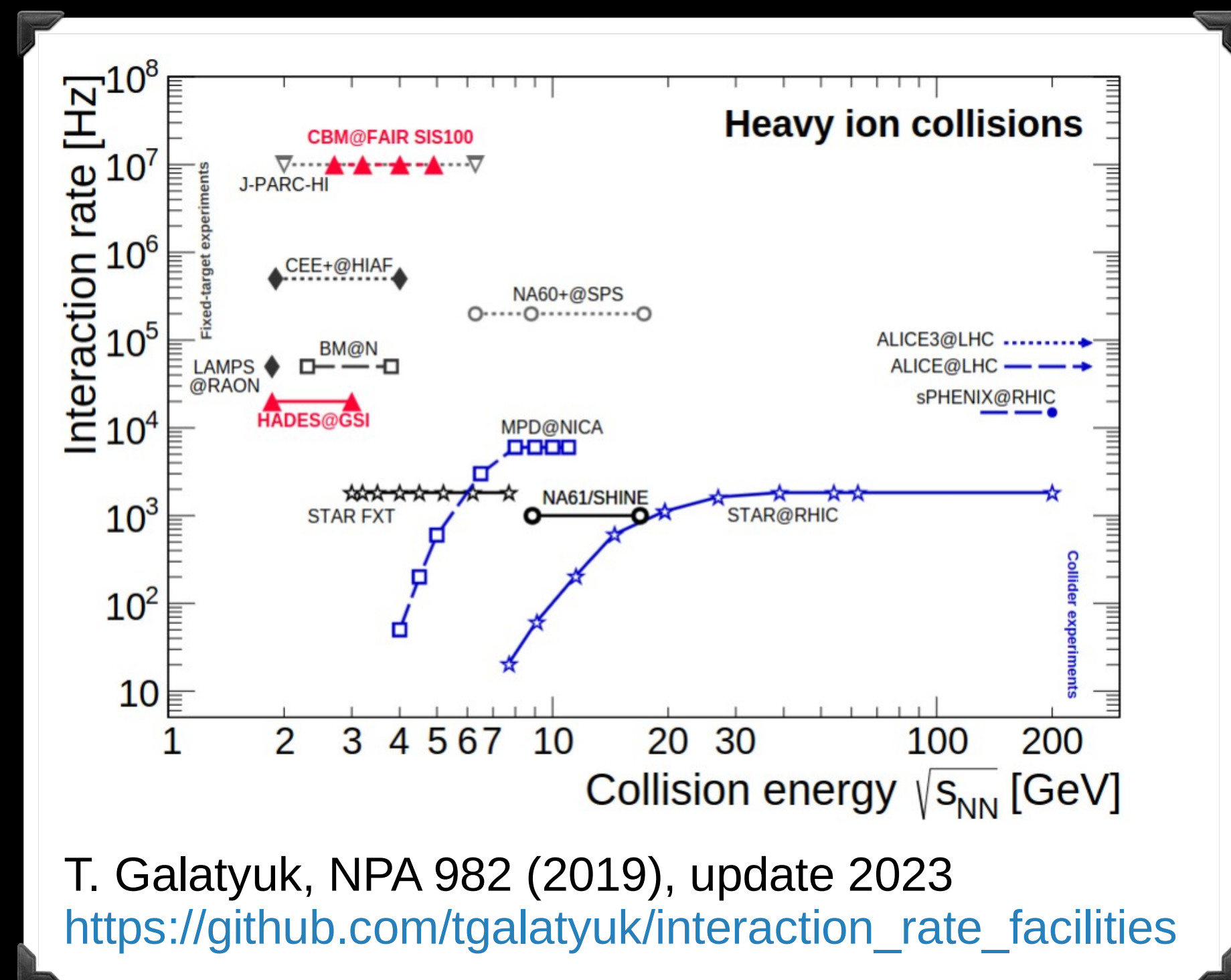
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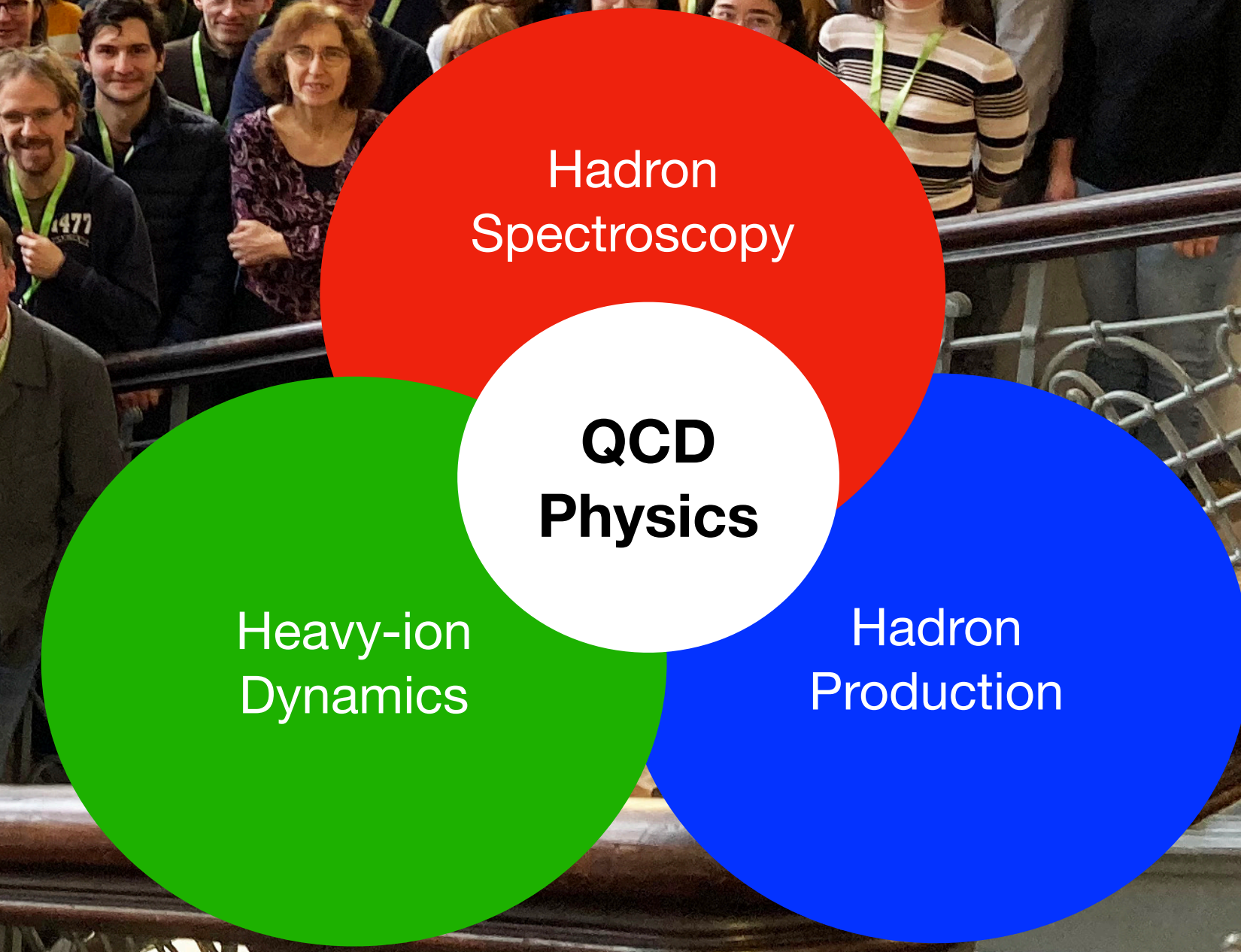
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Take away:

- Promising comprehensive physics program
- Strong support both theoretically and experimentally
- Provide a roadmap as basis for long-term endeavour
- Include the perspectives of pion beams at GSI/FAIR
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“HADES/CBM”

Hadron Spectroscopy

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Hadron structure

Mass-radius of the proton

Emergent Hadron Mass

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Near-threshold (anti) strange and charm production

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Production mechanisms of hadrons

protons@SIS100

- Strange and charm
- High intensity
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Femtoscopy

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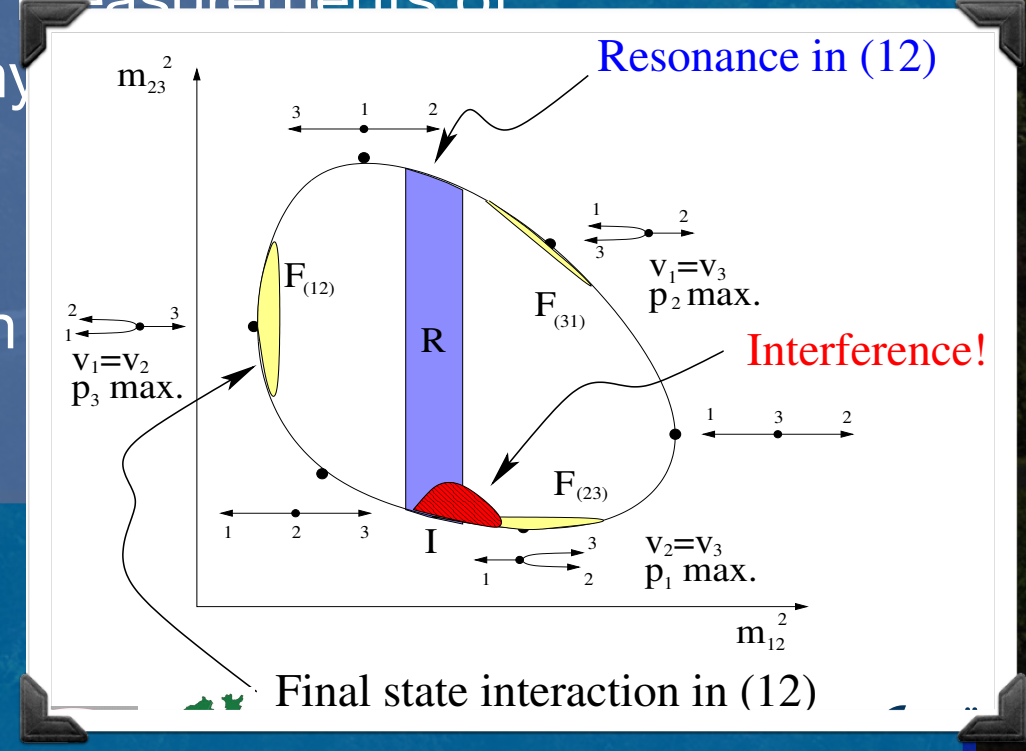
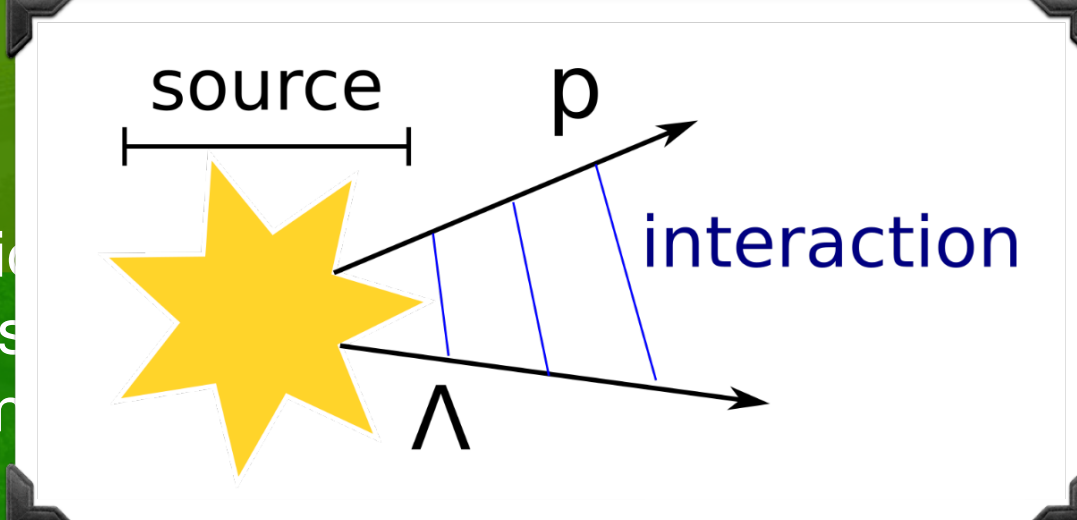
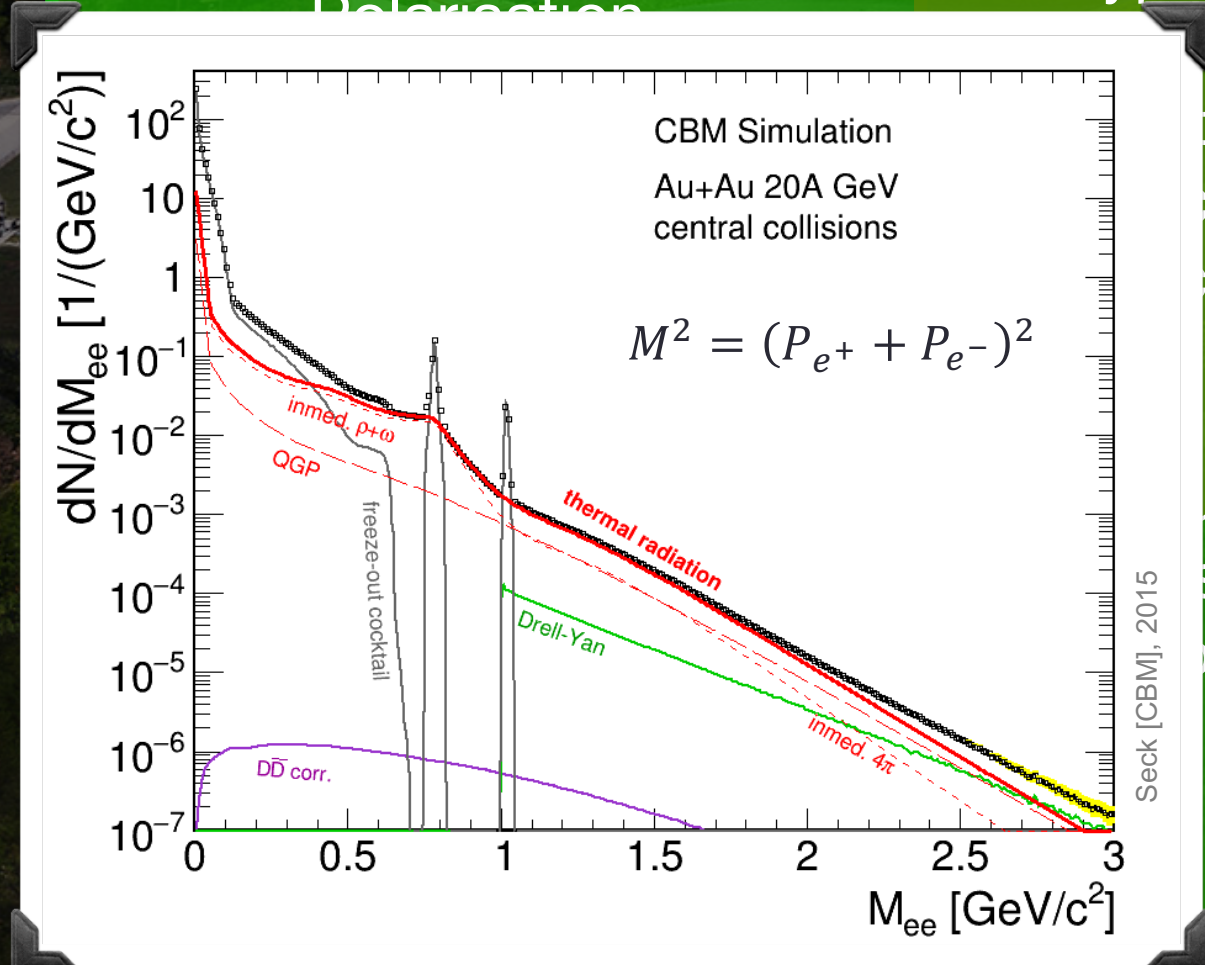
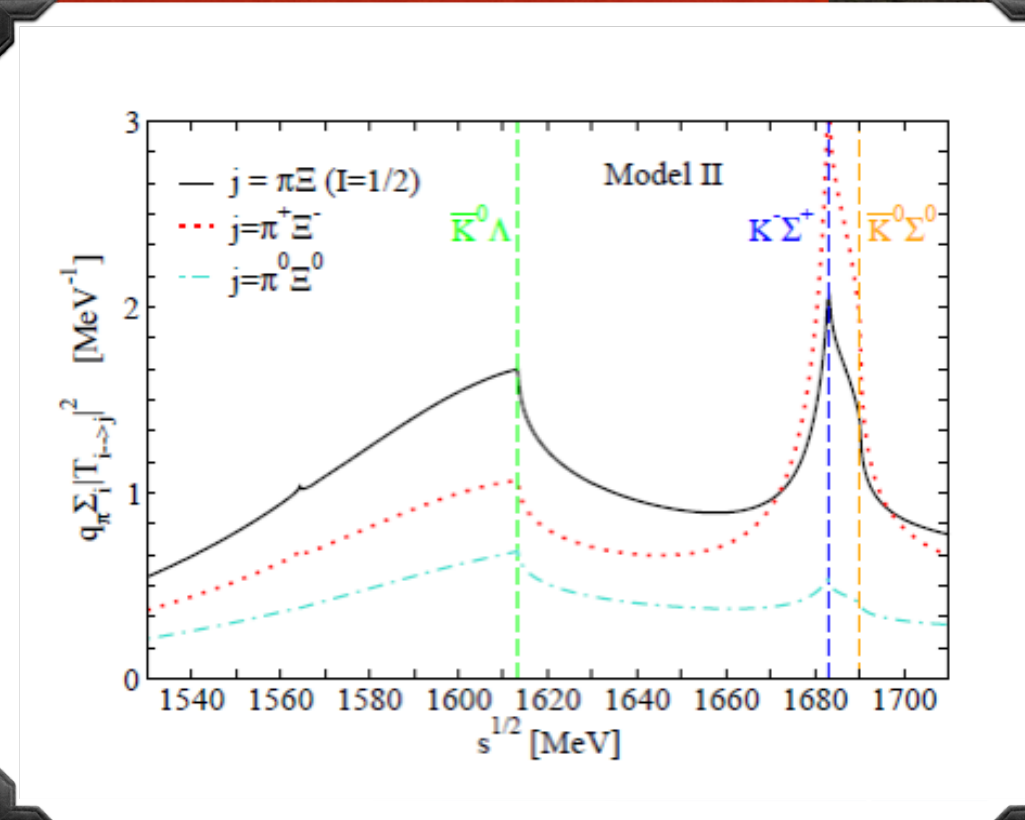
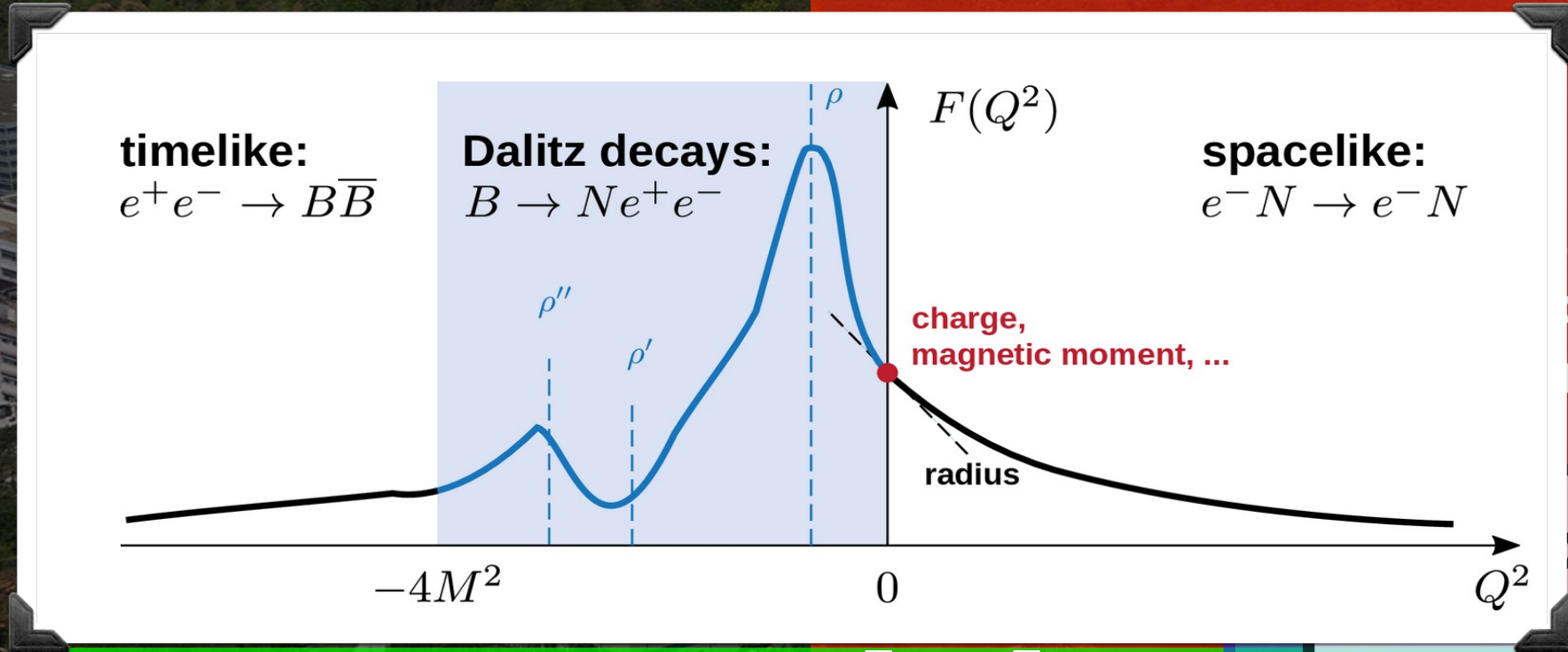
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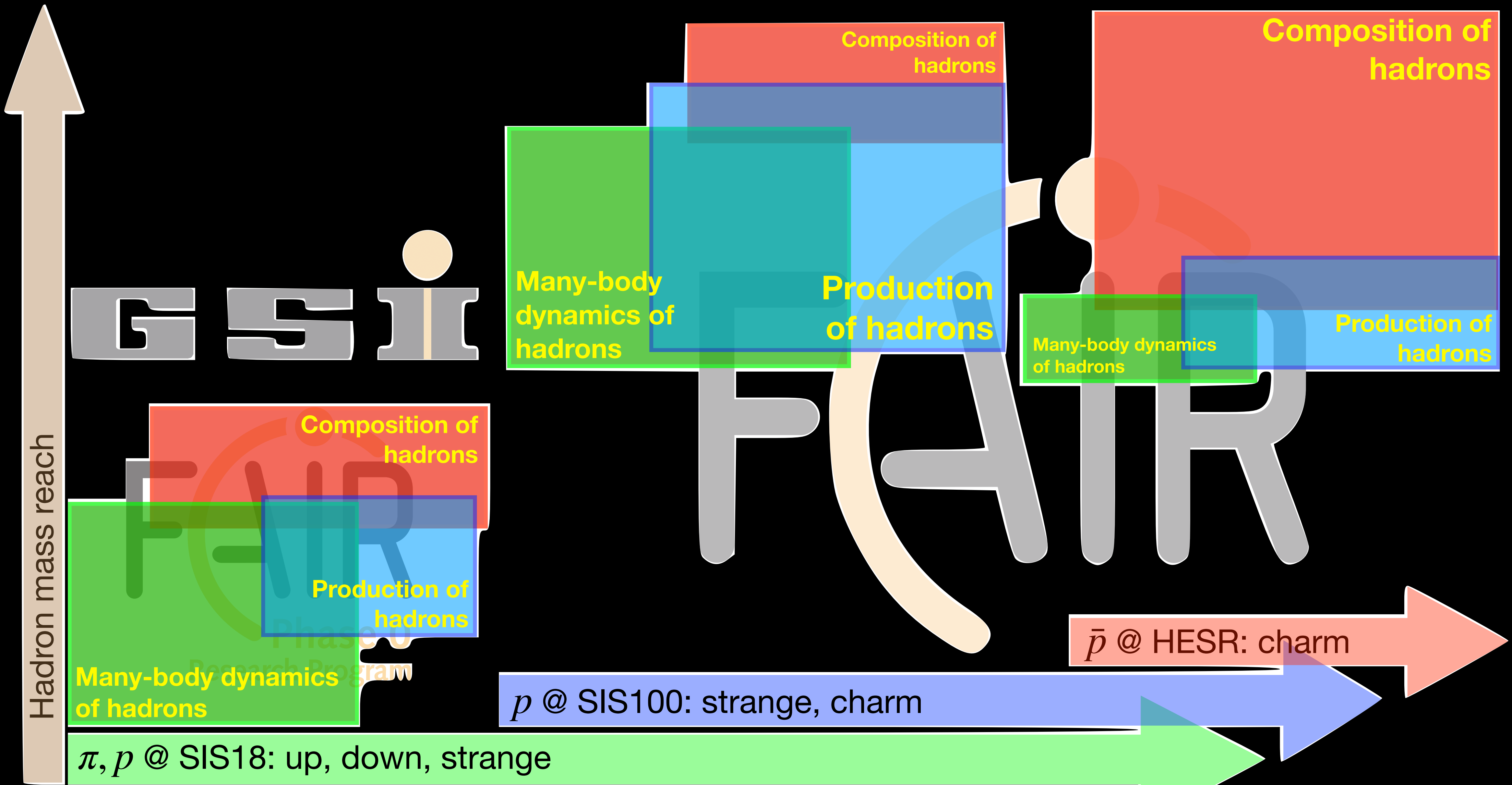
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A roadmap towards a QCD program at FAIR!



White paper:

- Paper is in the making!
- ~75 contributors so far!
- Including leading **theorists** and **experimentalist** from strong-QCD communities
- Publication ~spring 2025

Hadron Physics at GSI and FAIR: Prospects for the Next Decade

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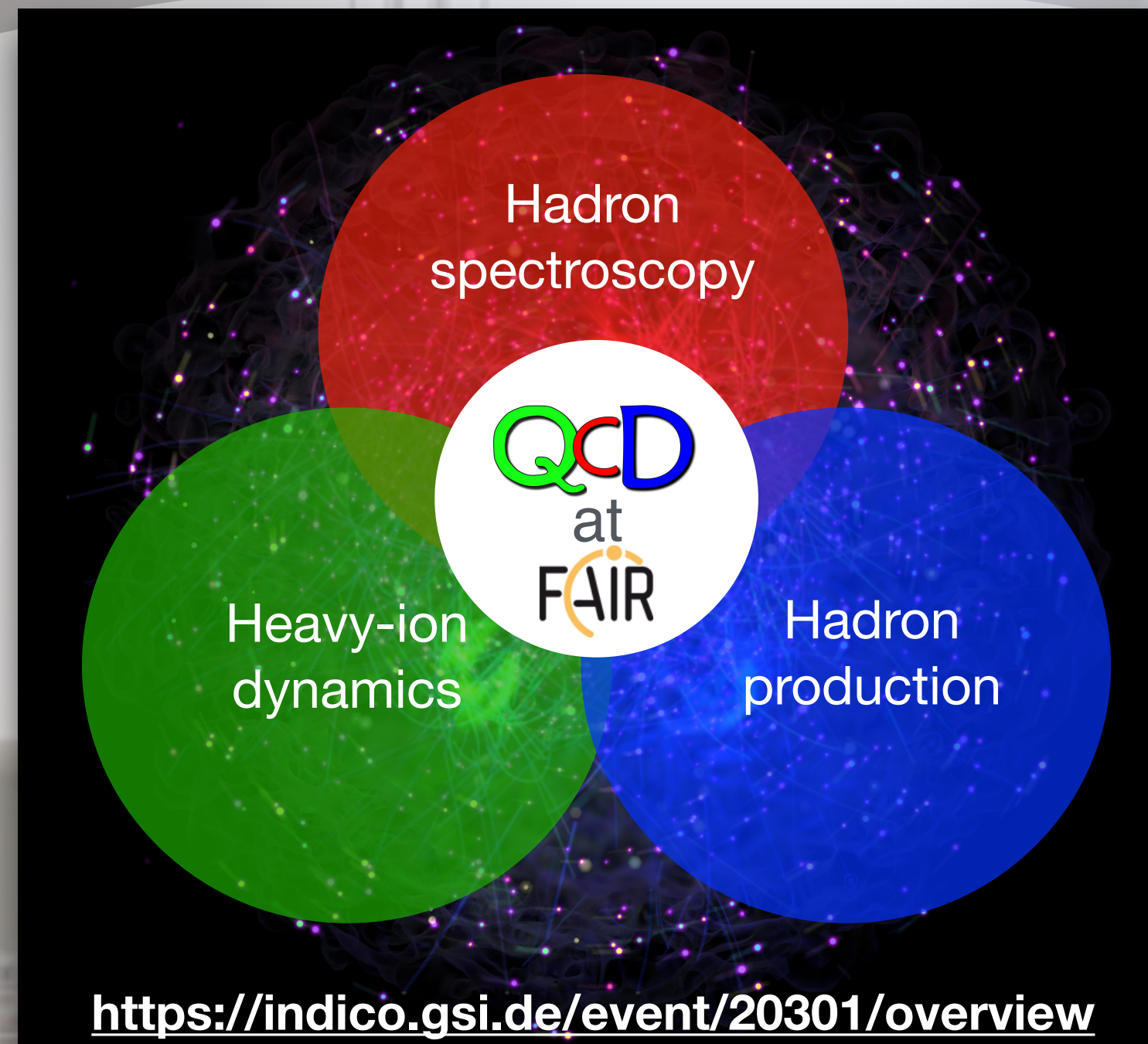
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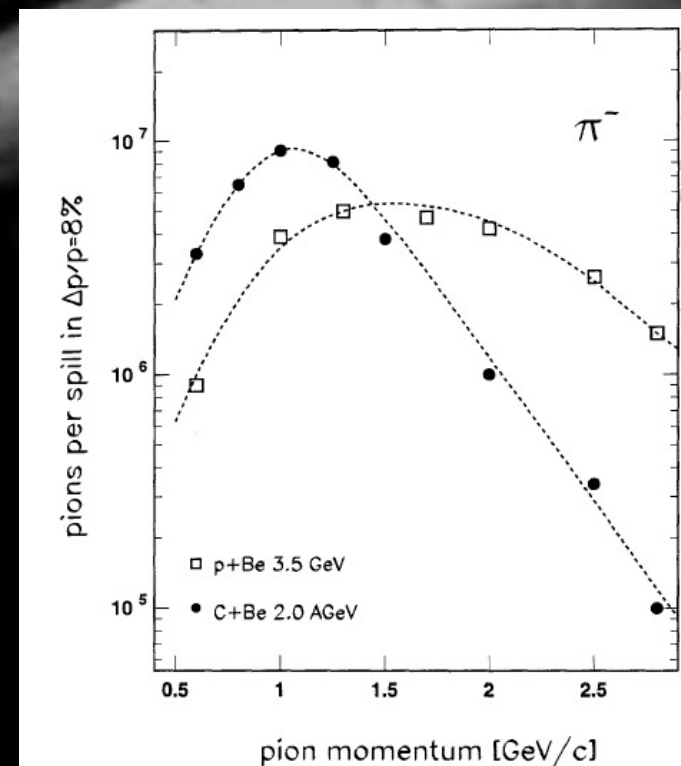
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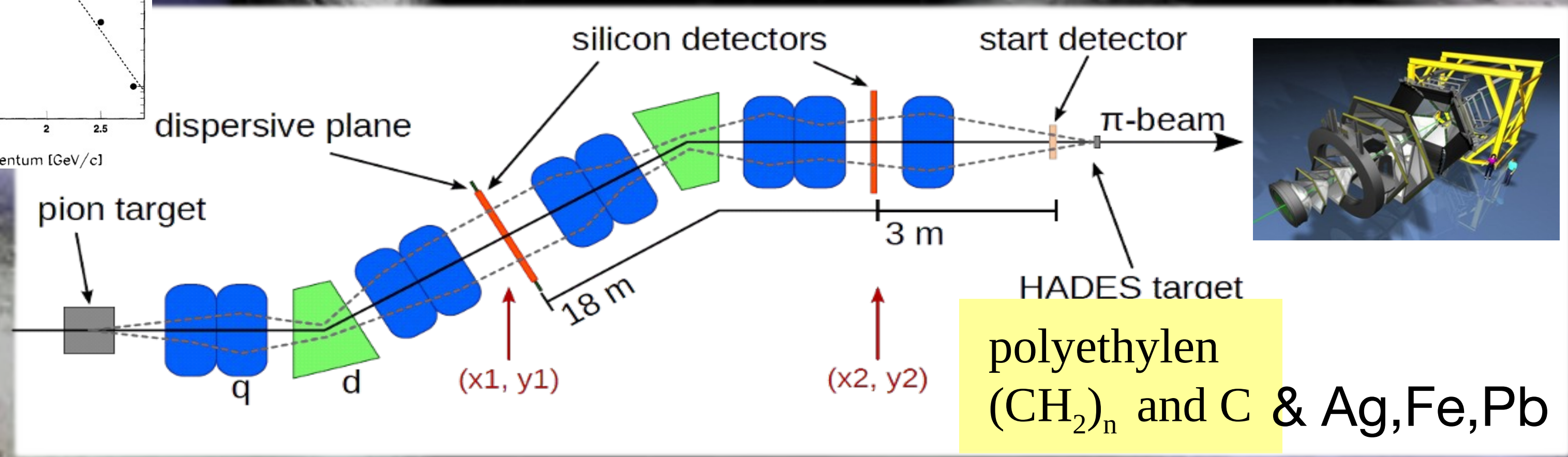
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Pion beams at GSI/FAIR

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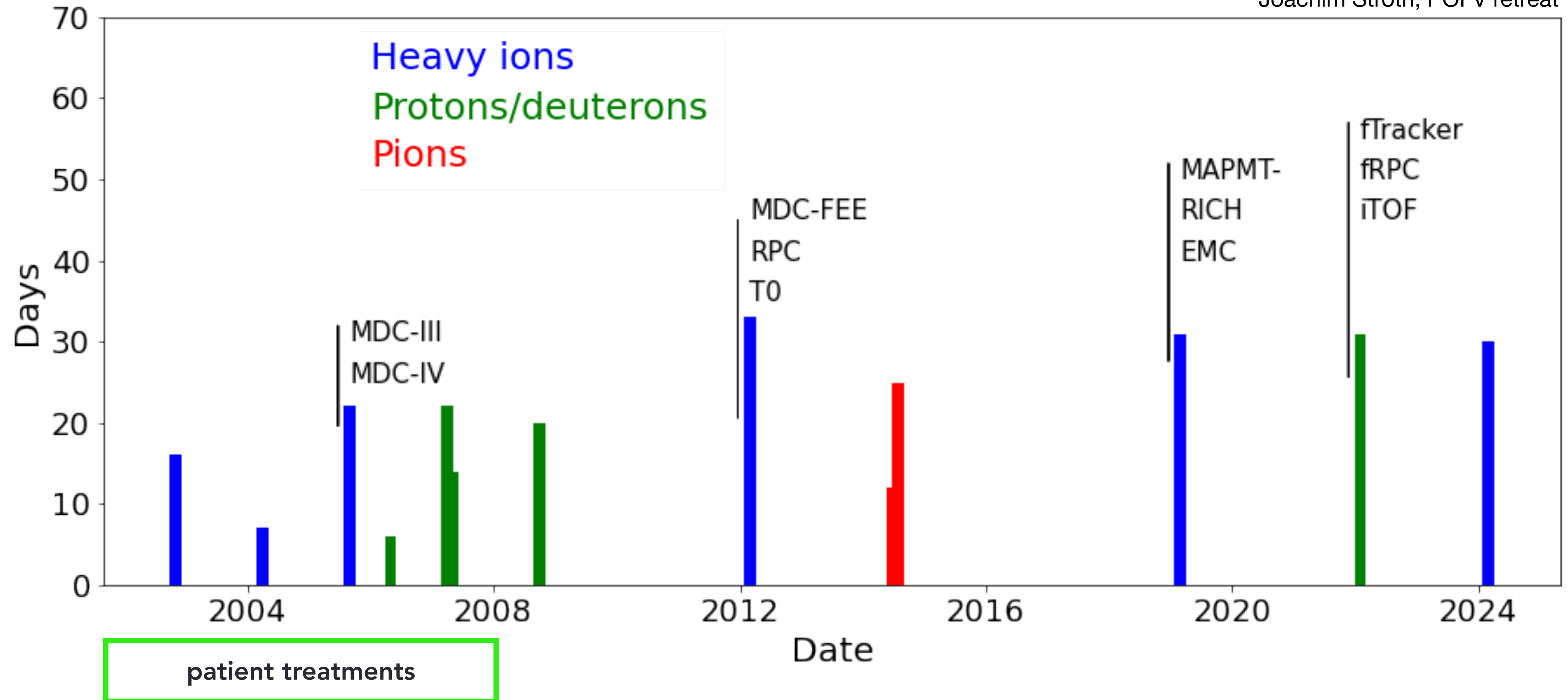
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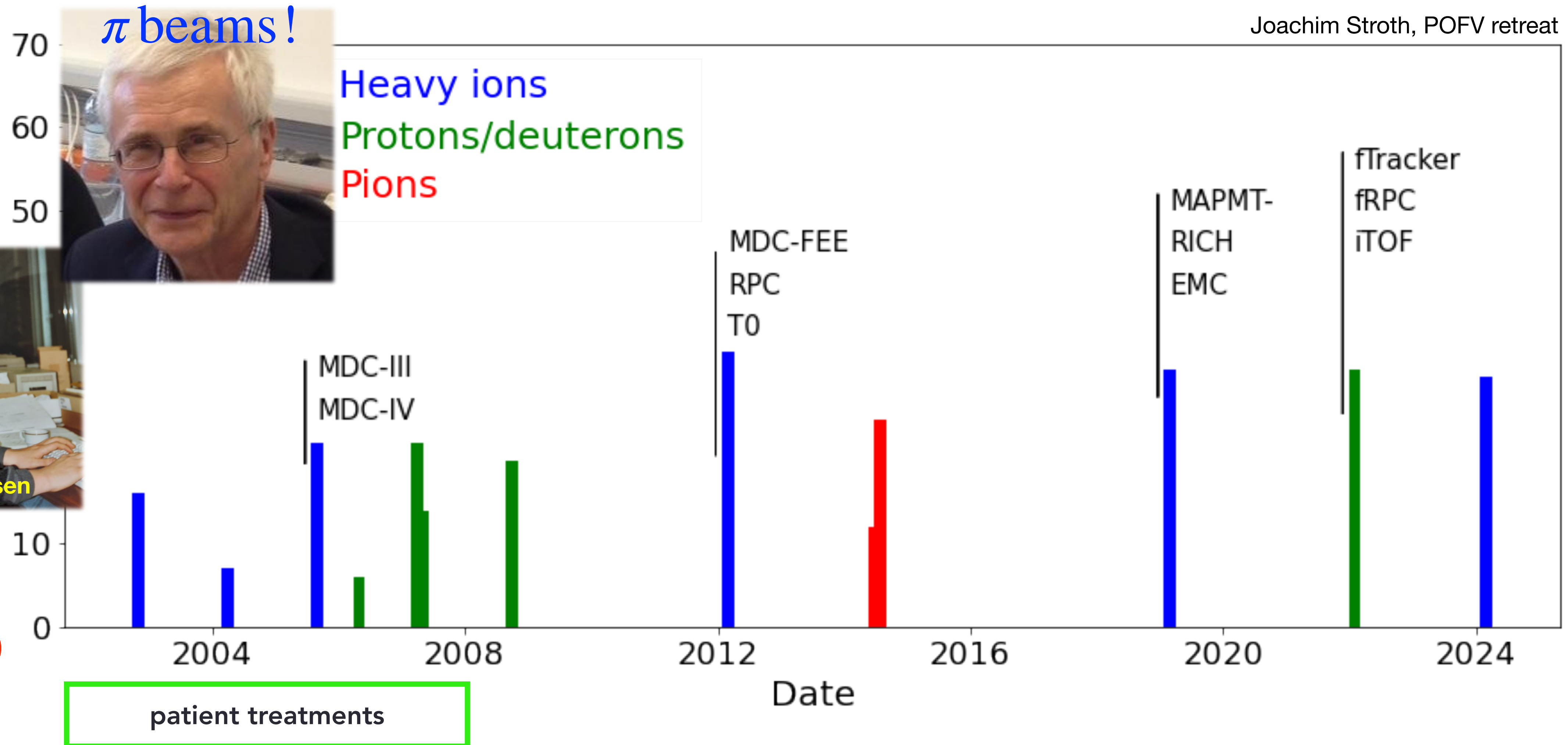
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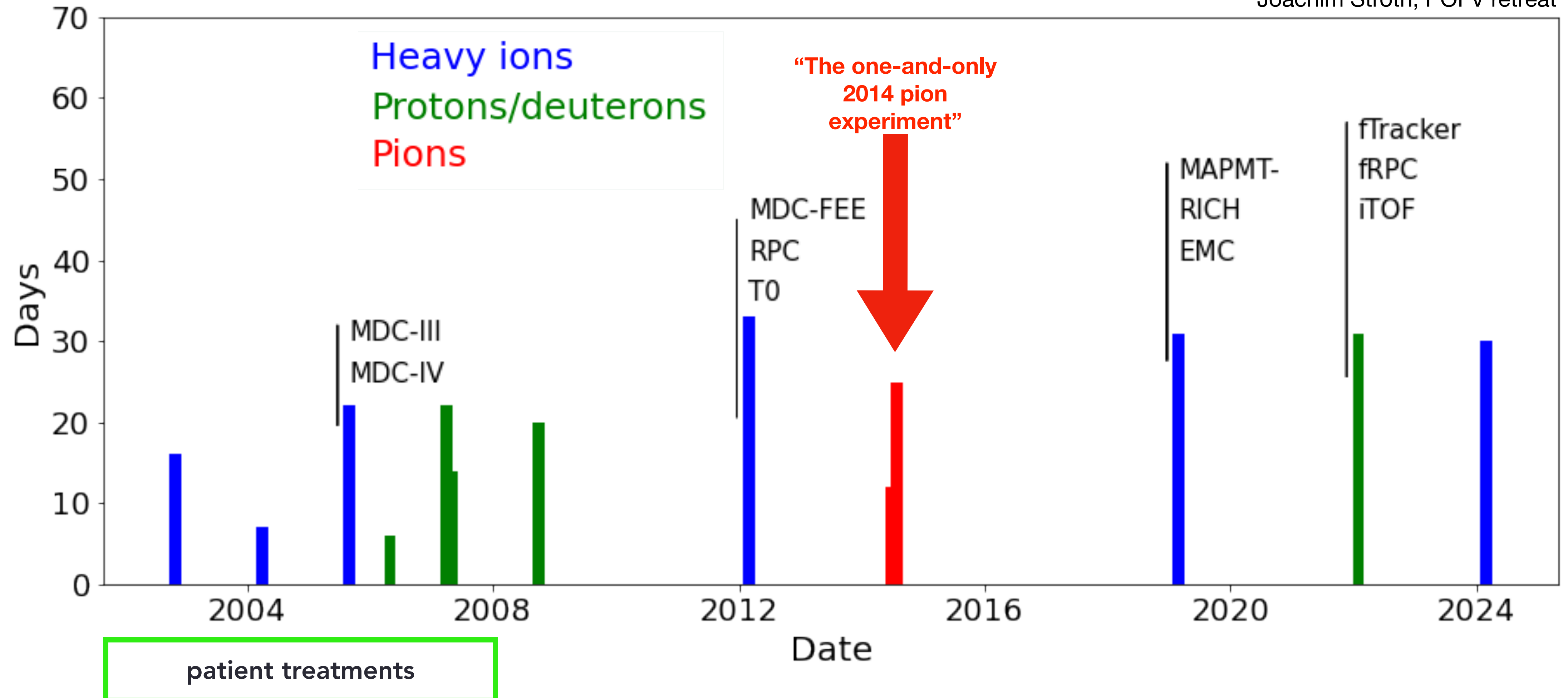
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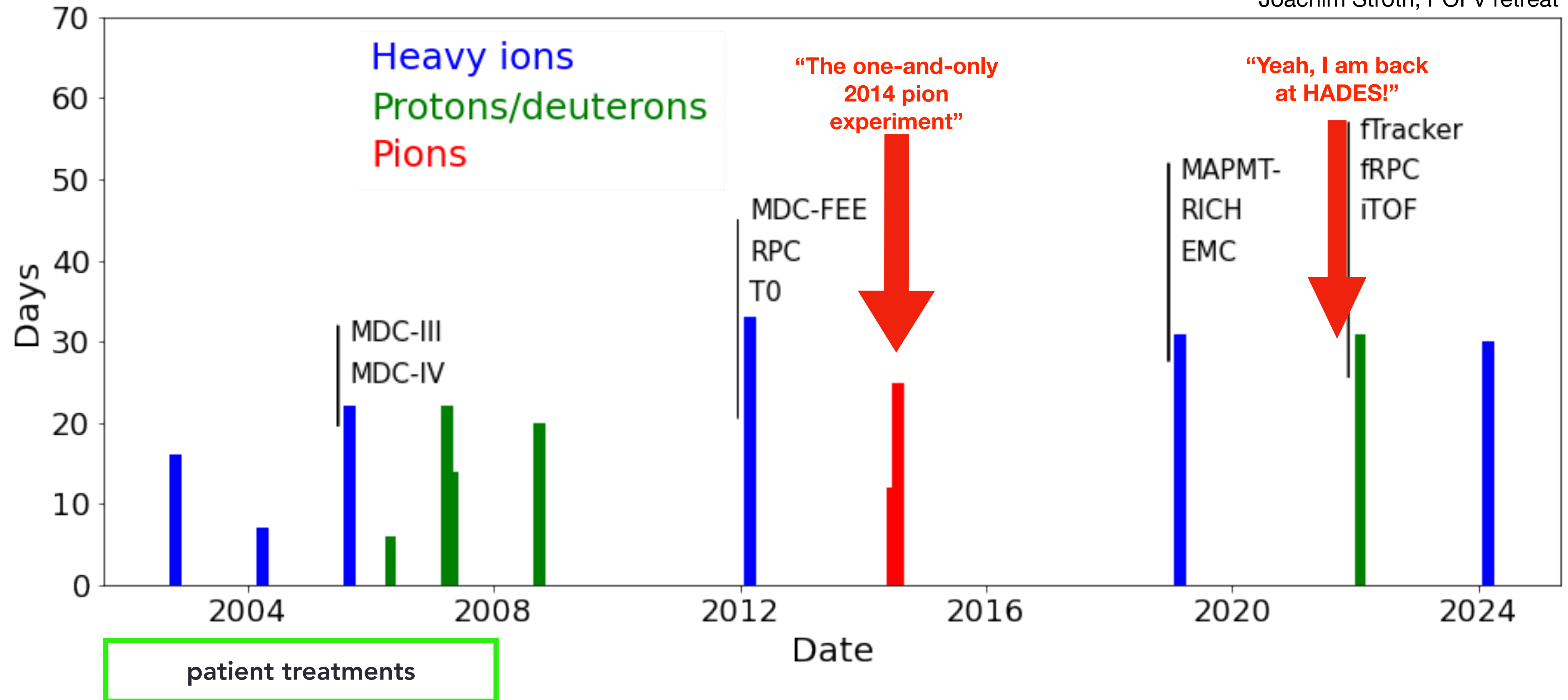
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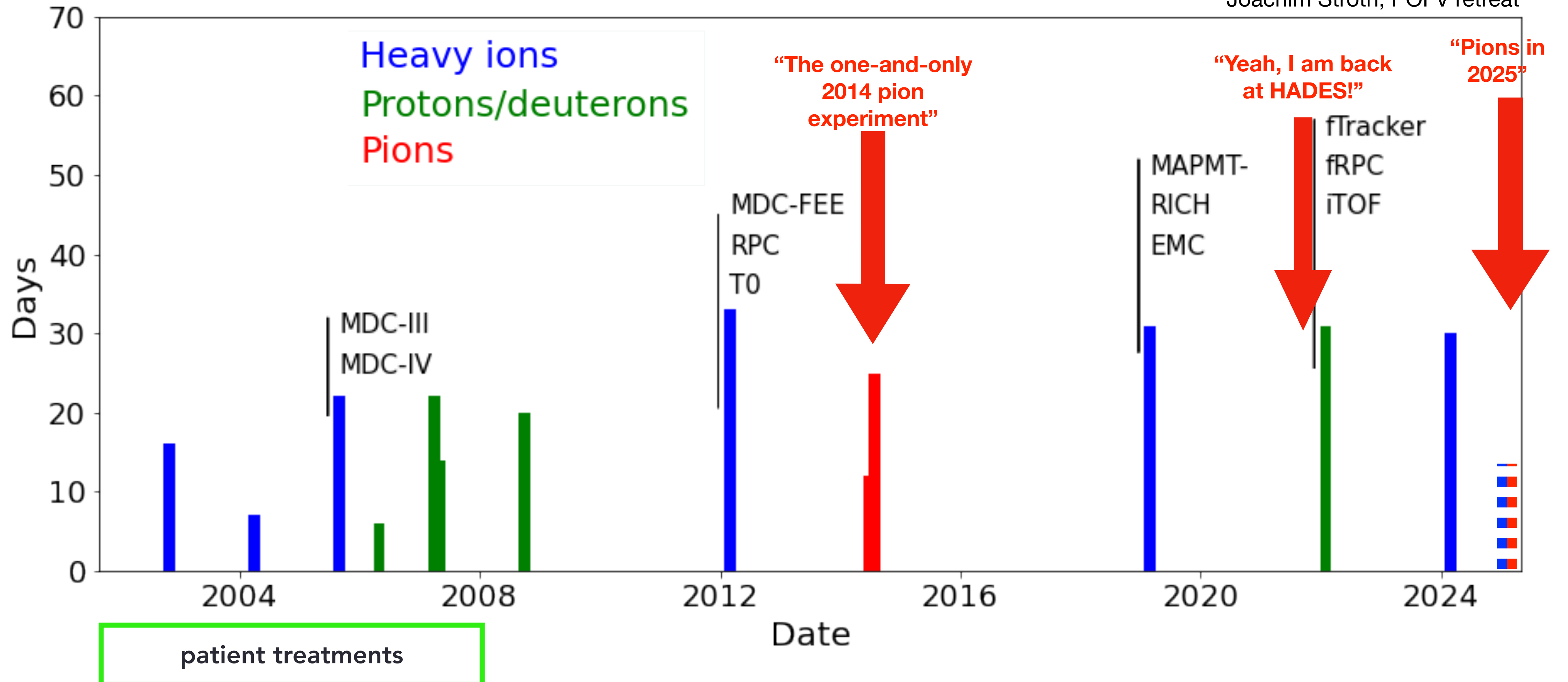
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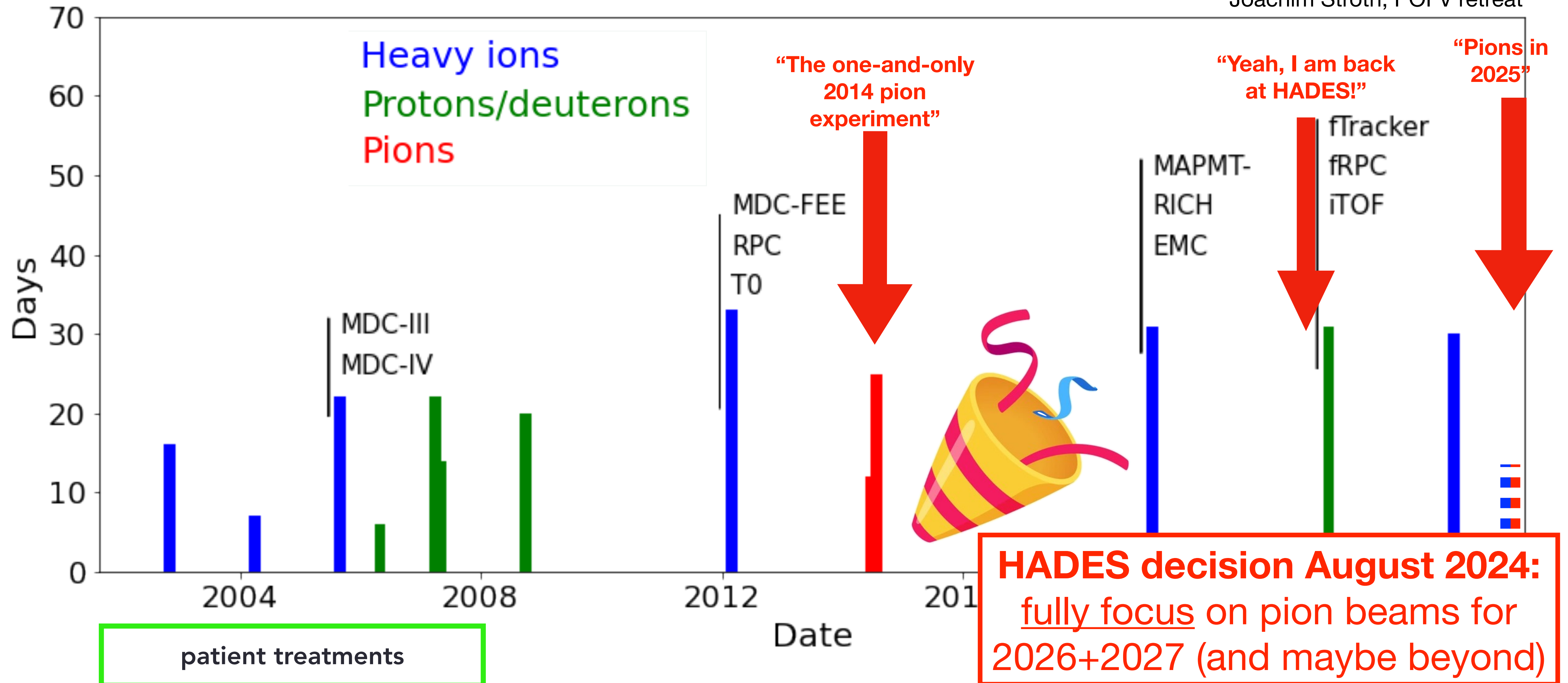
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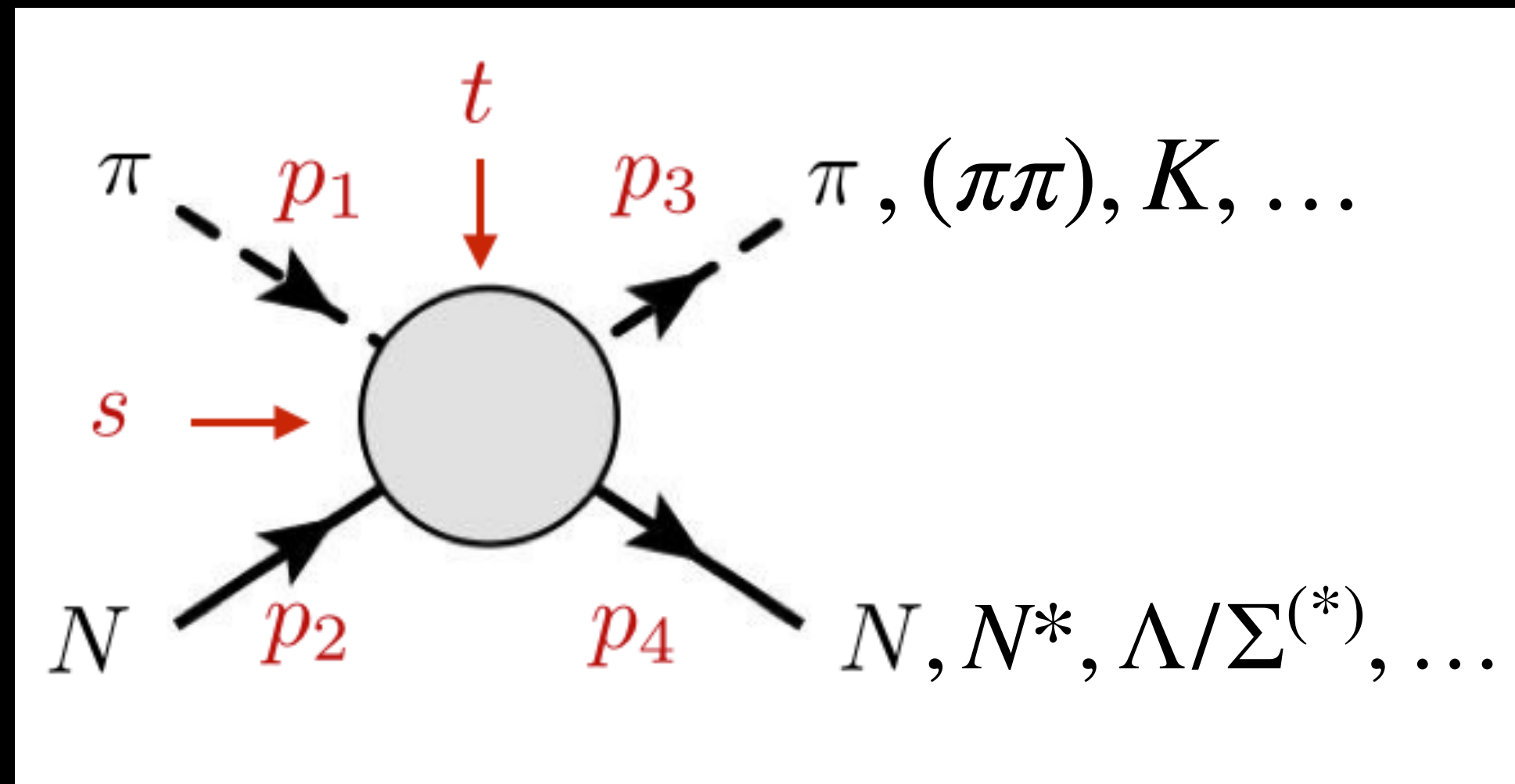
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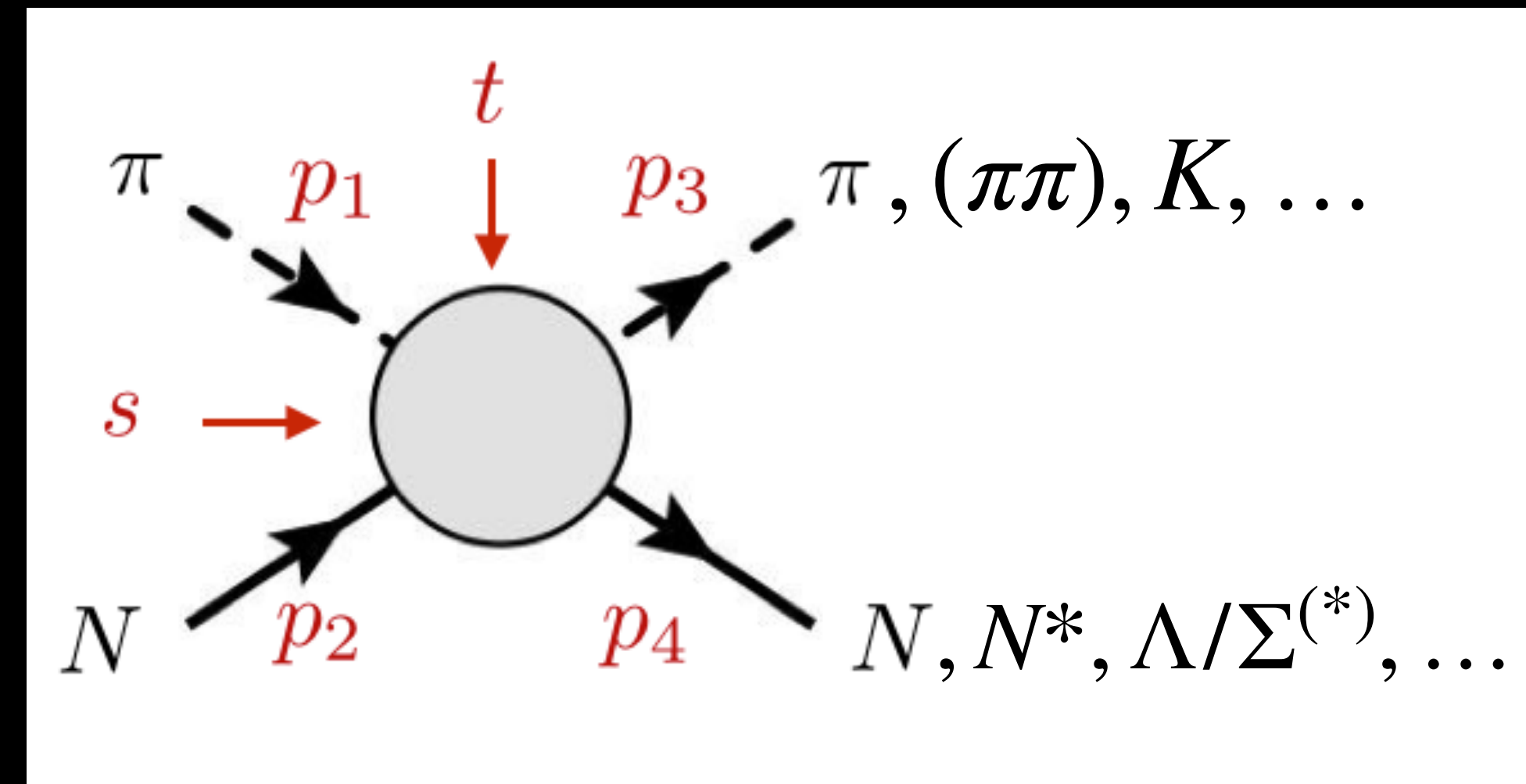
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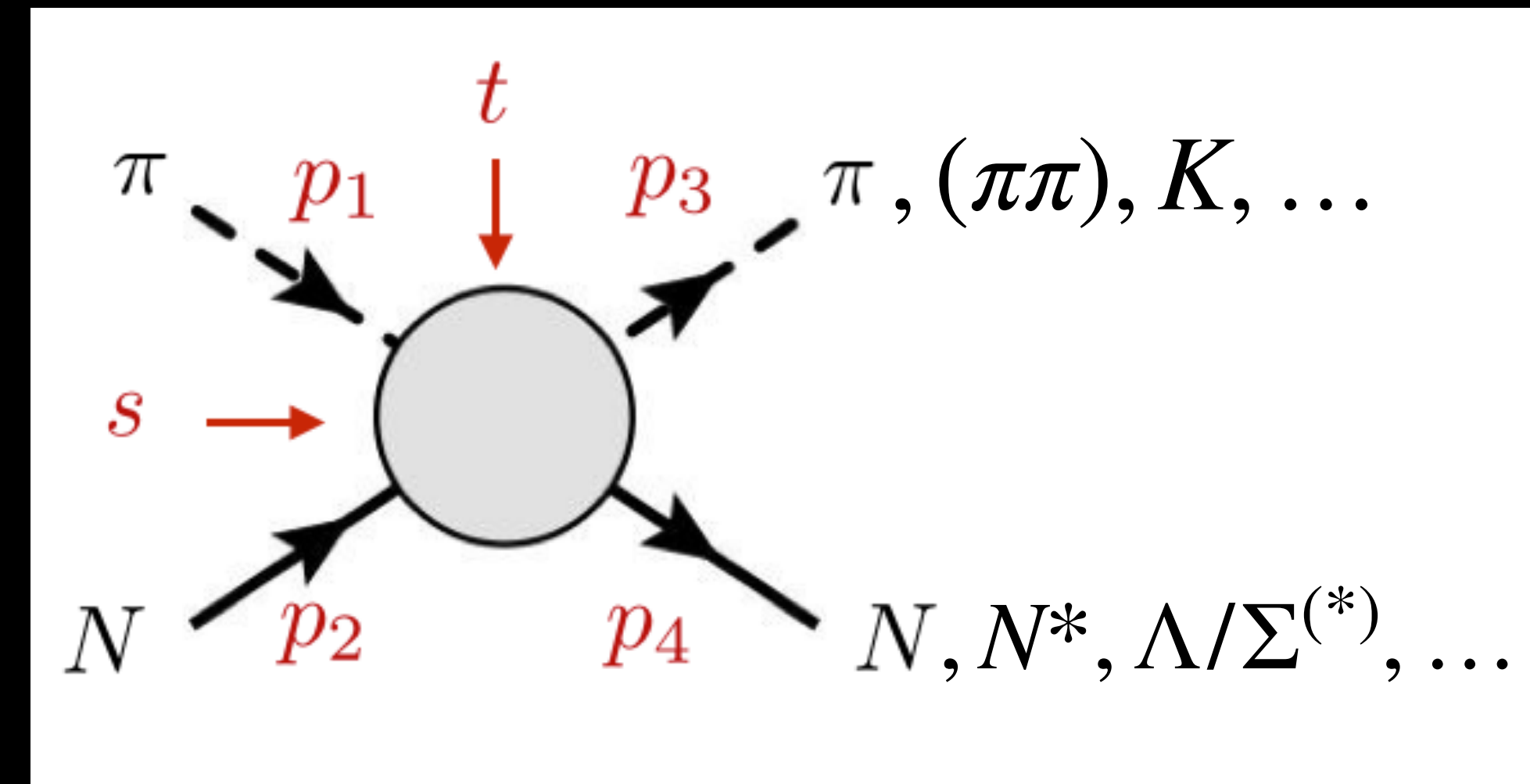
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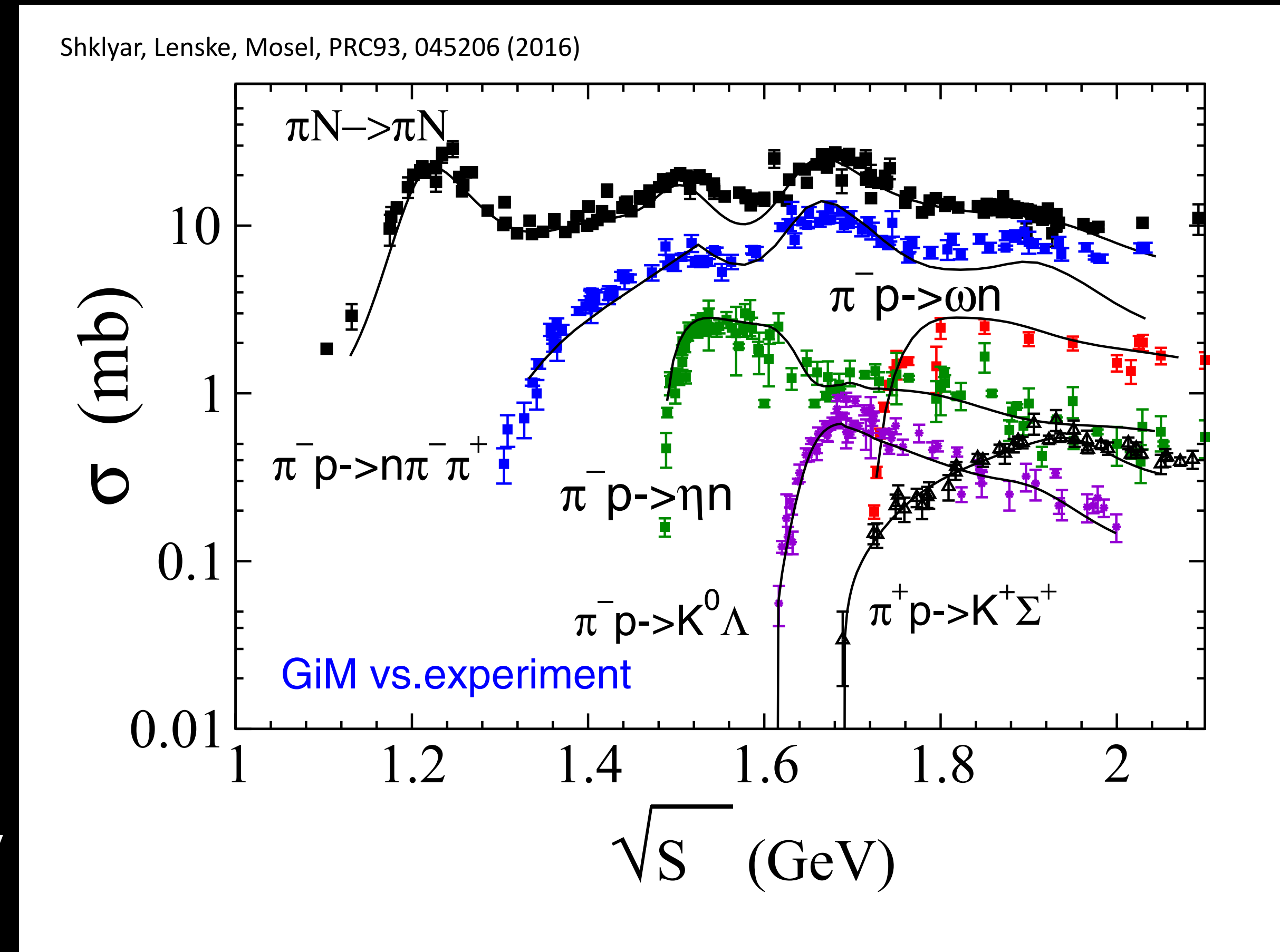
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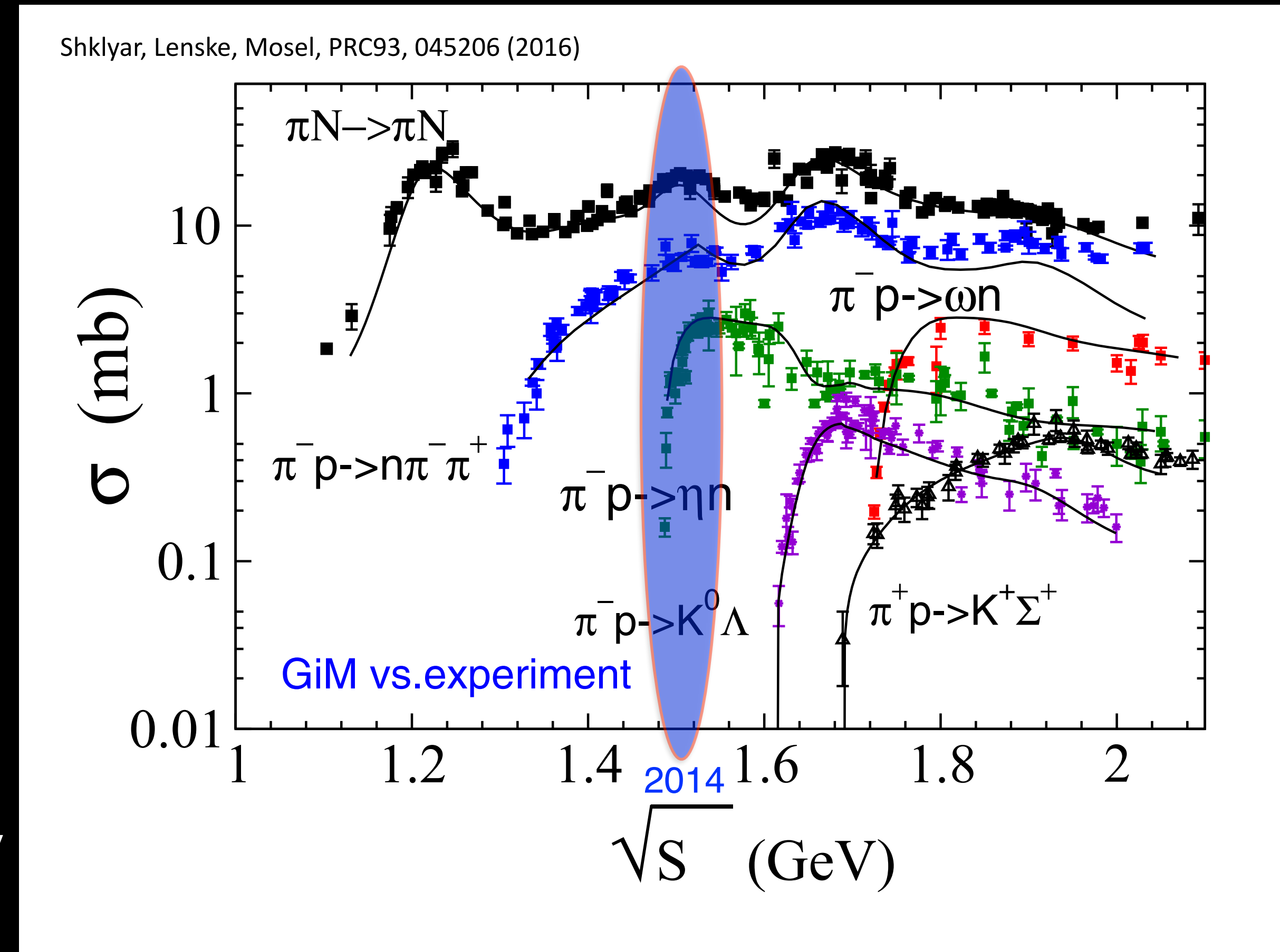
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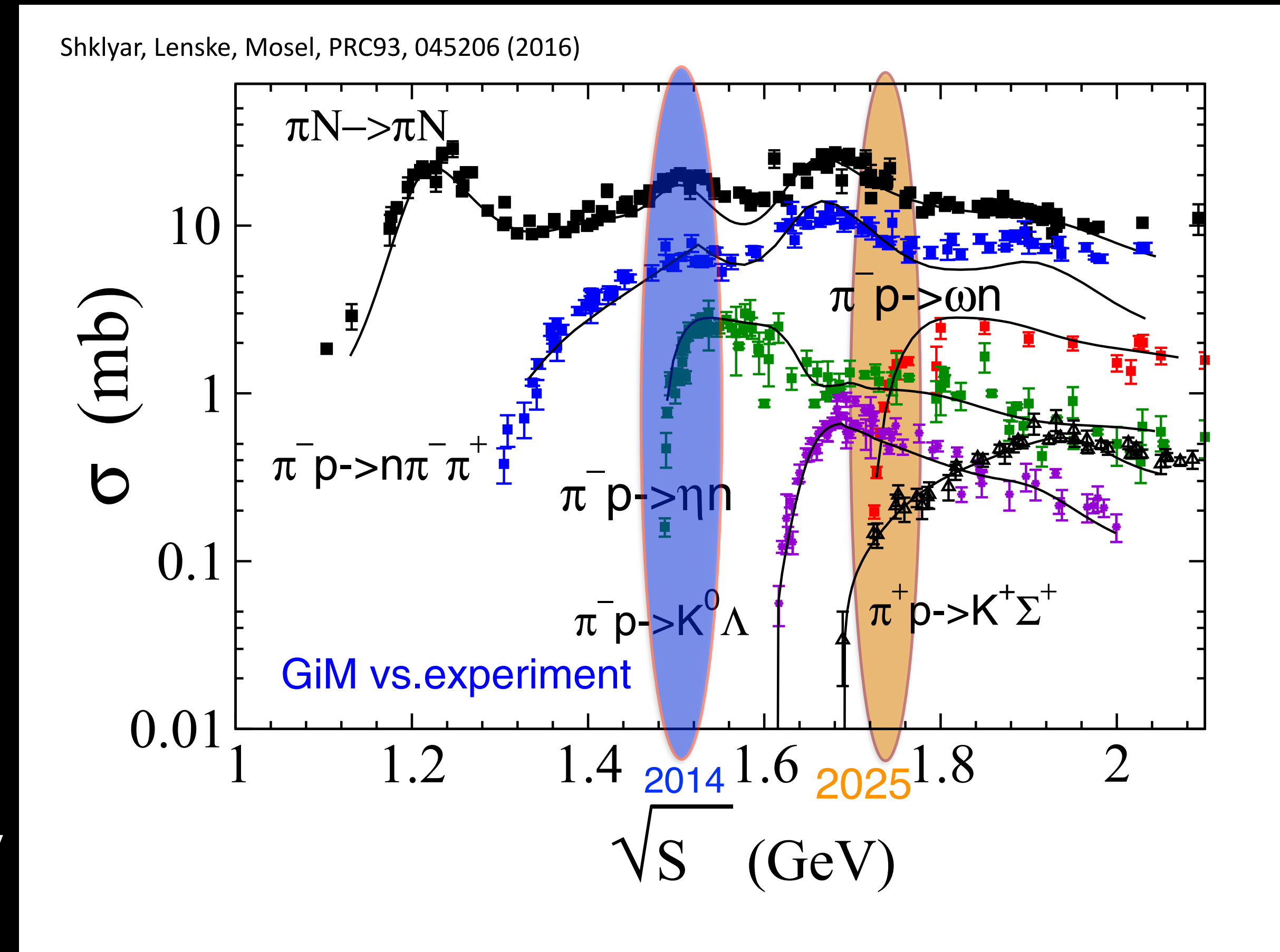
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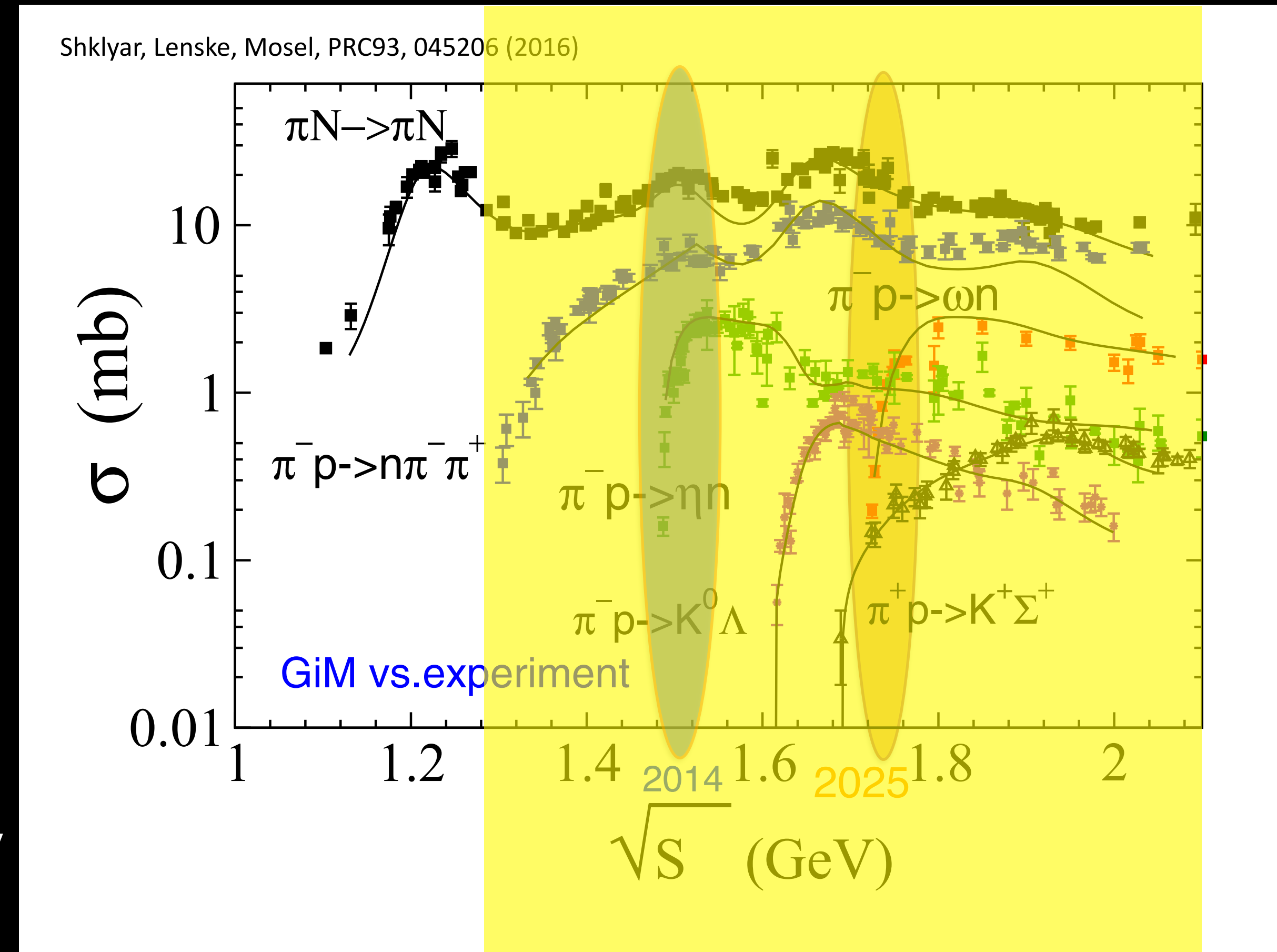
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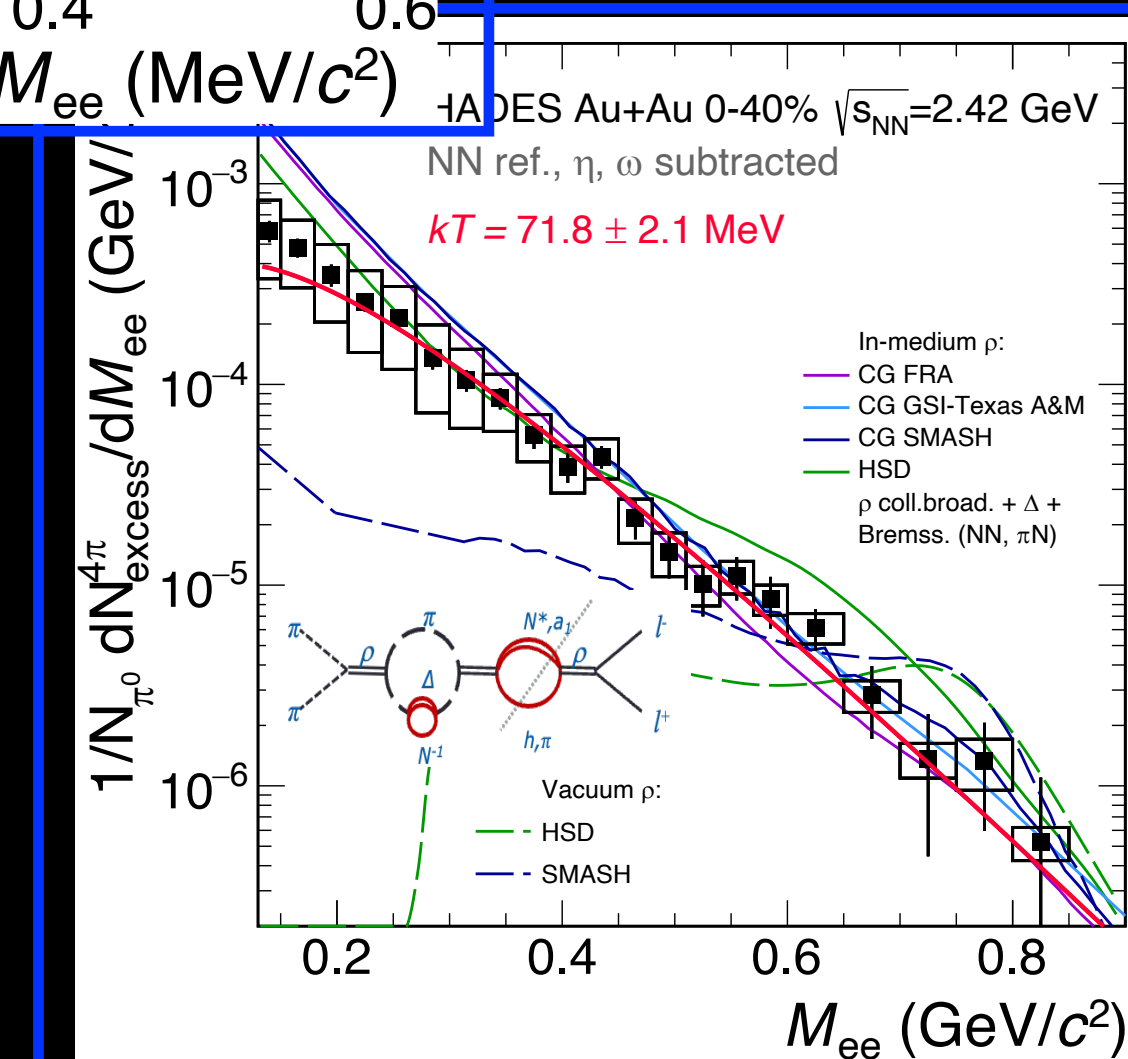
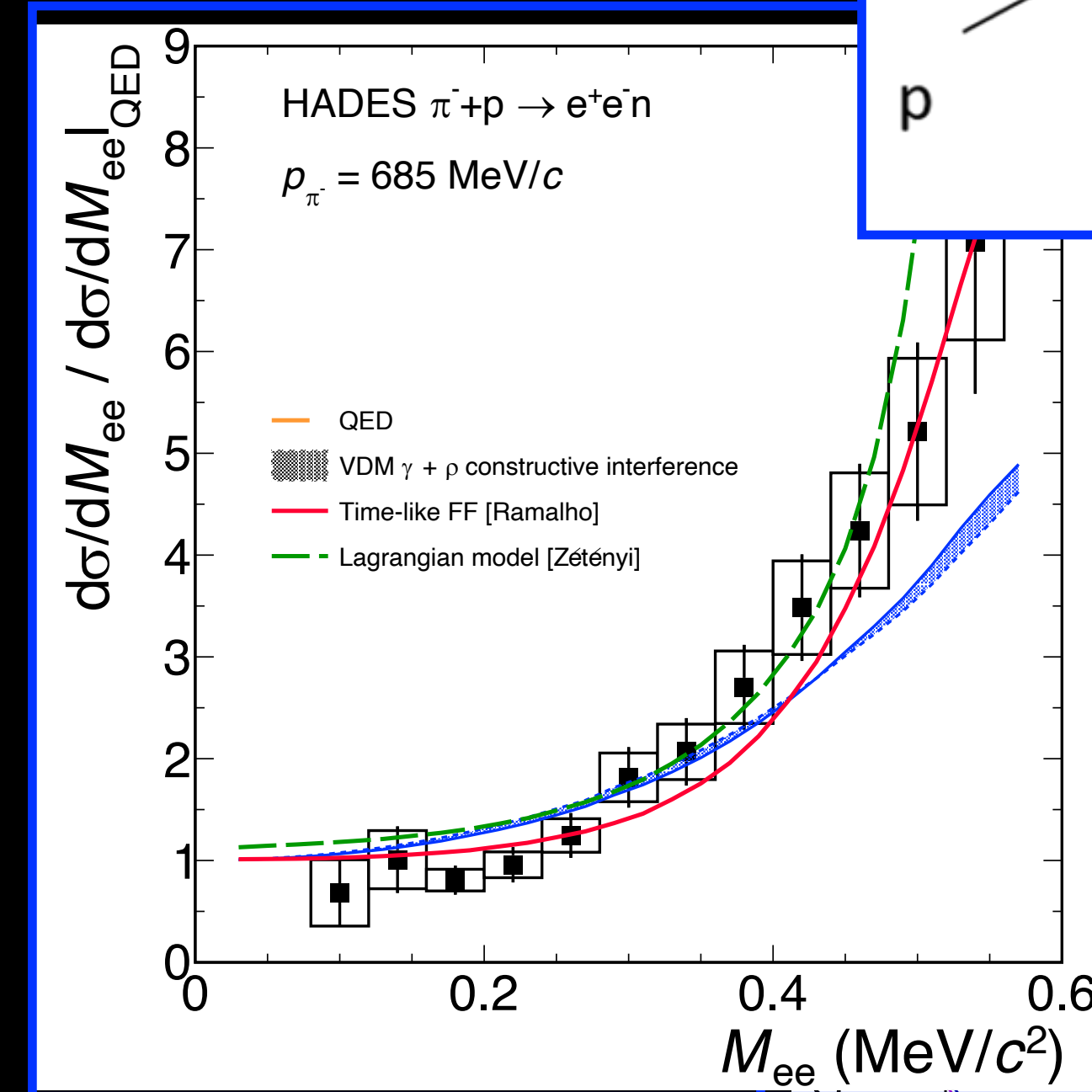
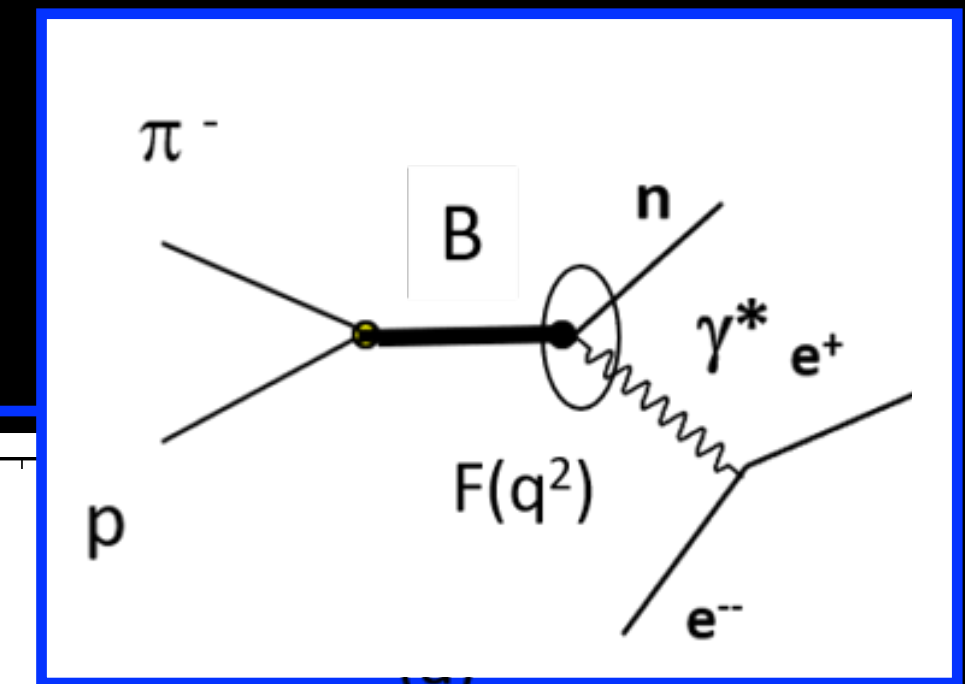
Pion beam program

... *wide physics opportunities*

Hadron Physics

- **Baryon $|S|=0,1$ spectroscopy** in formation and production, f.e. N^* up to 3rd resonance regions, meson-baryon couplings
- **Polarisation studies** in hyperon production: $\pi^- p \rightarrow \vec{\Lambda} K^0 / \vec{\Sigma}^0 K^0 / \dots$ (self-analysing weak decay)
- **Vector-meson production**: $\pi^- p \rightarrow \rho / \omega / \phi N$; **SDME's** extraction ($\omega \rightarrow e^+ e^- / \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ topologies)
- **Strangeness production**, e.g. $\Lambda(1405, 1520), \Xi, \dots$
- **Electromagnetic structure** of $|S|=0,1$ baryons, e.g. $N^* \rightarrow N e^+ e^- / \Lambda(1405, 1520), \Sigma(1385) \rightarrow \Lambda e^+ e^-, \dots$
- **Light meson** dynamics, f.e. in $\pi\pi, K\bar{K}, K\pi, \eta\pi, \dots$
- Rare (**BSM**) decays of **mesons**, f.e. $X(17)$ with η decays

“2014” highlight!



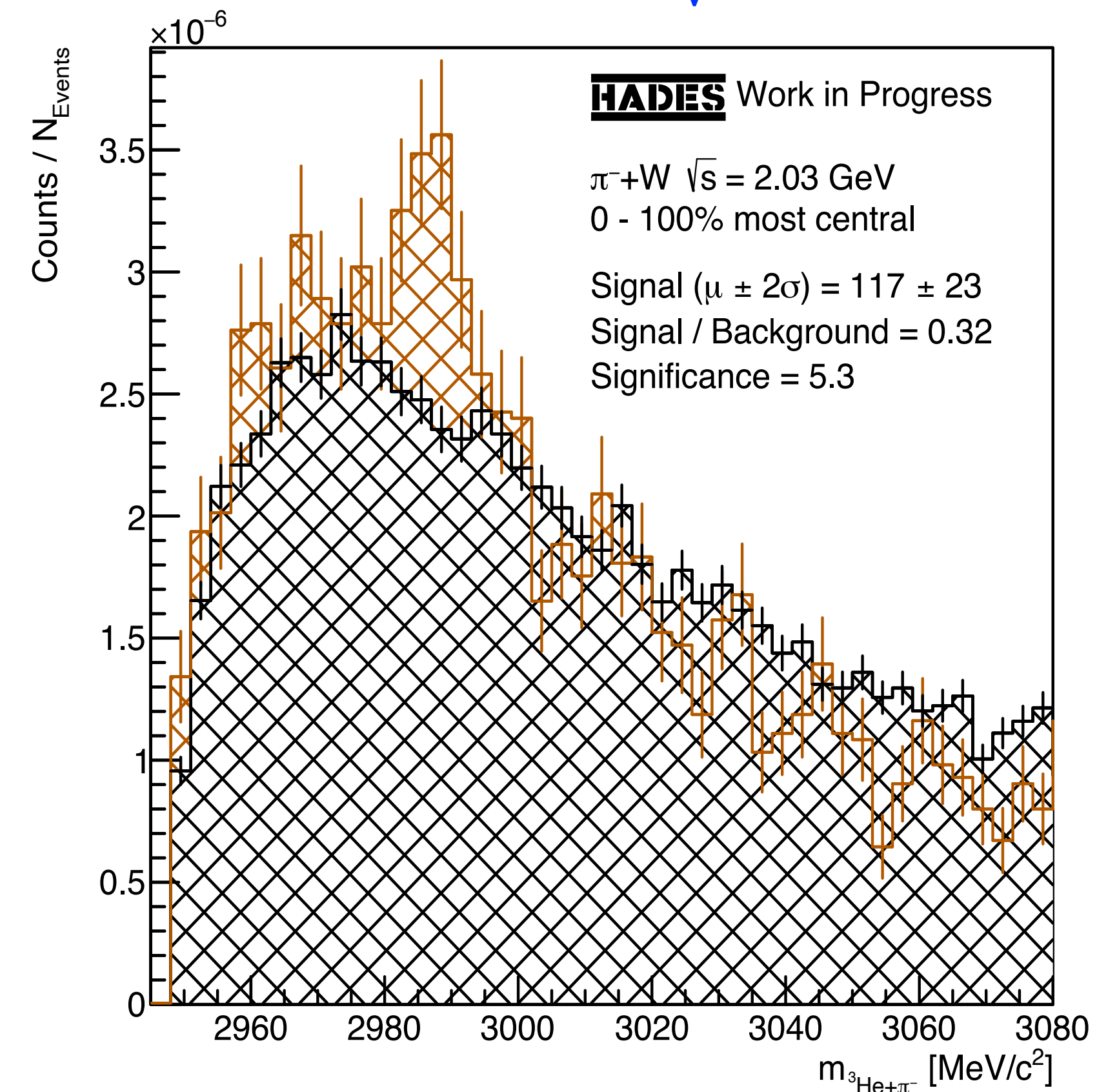
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Nuclear and Heavy-ion Physics

- **Vector meson properties** in dense matter including study of $\rho - a_1$ mixing, ϕ meson!
- Line-shape, transparency ratios, A-dependence, ... (towards low momenta with high sensitivity)
- Hidden & open **strangeness** production in $\pi + p/A$
- Precision data for **transport models**
- **Hypernuclei** studies, factory!
- $\vec{Y}N \rightarrow \vec{Y}N$ interactions
- Particle production xsection data for **neutrino energy reconstruction** in T2K, DUNE experiments

A “cold matter” *highlight* from
2014 pion beam at $\sqrt{s} = 2 \text{ GeV}$



Latest work of Simon Spies

A cross-community-driven hadron physics program at GSI/FAIR

...with pion and proton beams from SIS18+SIS100



- **Ambition**: long-term physics program inspired by strong-QCD and connecting hadron, nuclear, and heavy-ion communities
- Exploiting **pion & proton beams** (SIS18/100) together with available facilities: HADES, CBM, WASA(?) and interested researchers from all communities!
- Invitation to nuclear physics community to take part in the **white-paper** discussions and contribute!
- **GPAC** proposal: strengthen the **pion-beam facility** and corresponding physics program! Strategy involving WASA?

Backup

“Facilities exploiting exclusive hyperon studies”

Timeline	2025			2028		2032	
<i>Probe:</i>	FAIR	Phase 0		FS+		MSVc	
$\pi + p/A$	Stage 1		HADES	Stage 2		HADES available? Stage 3	
	JPARC						
$p + p/A$	HADES@SIS18				CBM / HADES@SIS100		
	CERN / JPARC / NICA						
$\bar{p} + p/A$						PANDA?	
$K + p/A$				KLF			
	JPARC						
$\gamma^{(*)} + p/A$	MAMI/ELSA/GLueX/CLAS12					EIC	
$e^+ + e^-$	BESIII/BelleII				BelleII/...		

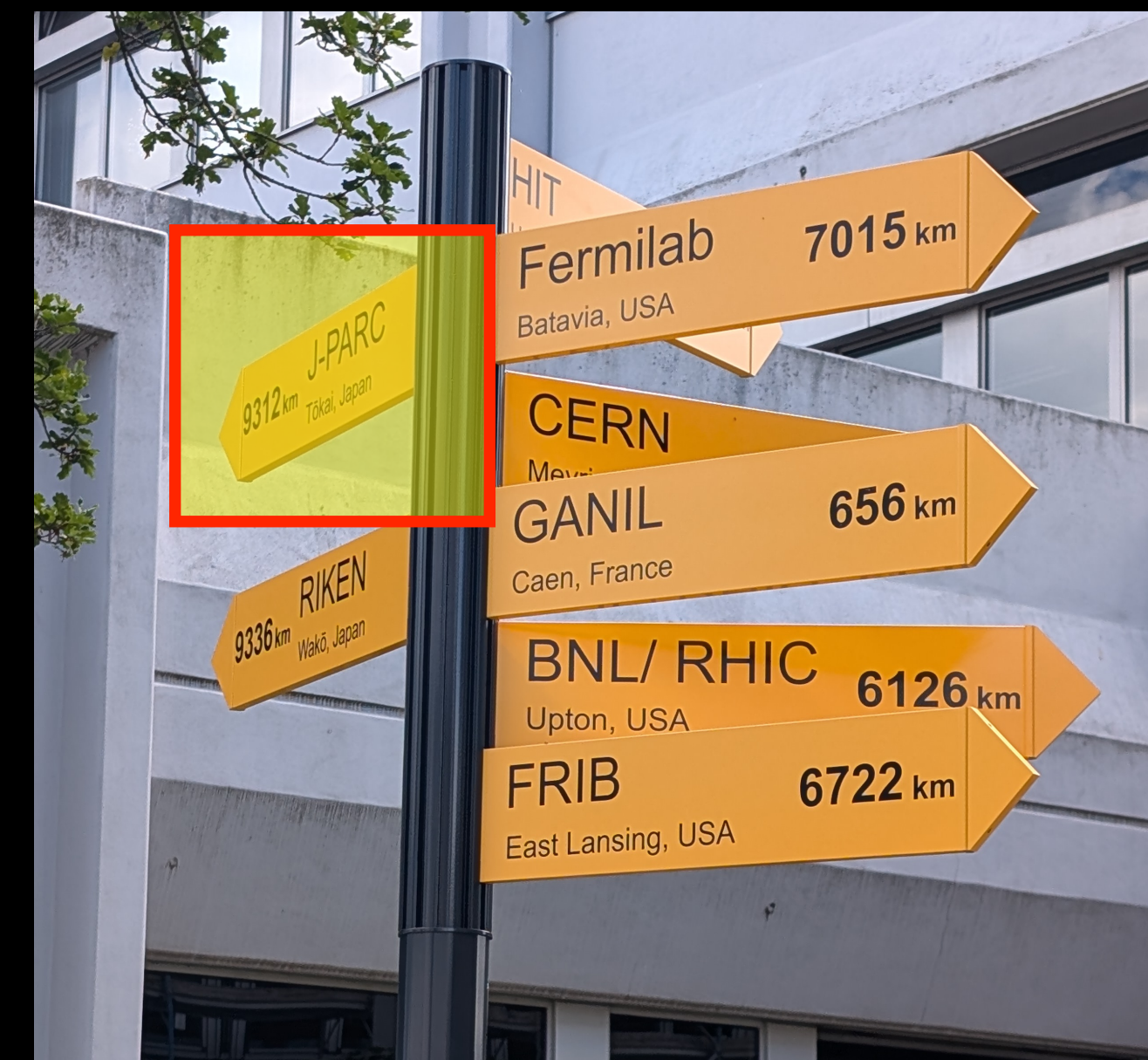


J-PARC

... competition, complementarity, collaboration?

Key selling features of pion-beam facility at GSI

- Combination of a pion beam with a **versatile** setup with high acceptance and capabilities
- Broad **applicability** with **multifaceted** and **efficient** data collection enabling a program **connecting** physics topics from different fields (hadron, nuclear, heavy-ion) with(in) one setup/ collaboration/beam-time period
- Probing **electromagnetic and hadronic** aspects in pion-produced matter is unique



The process

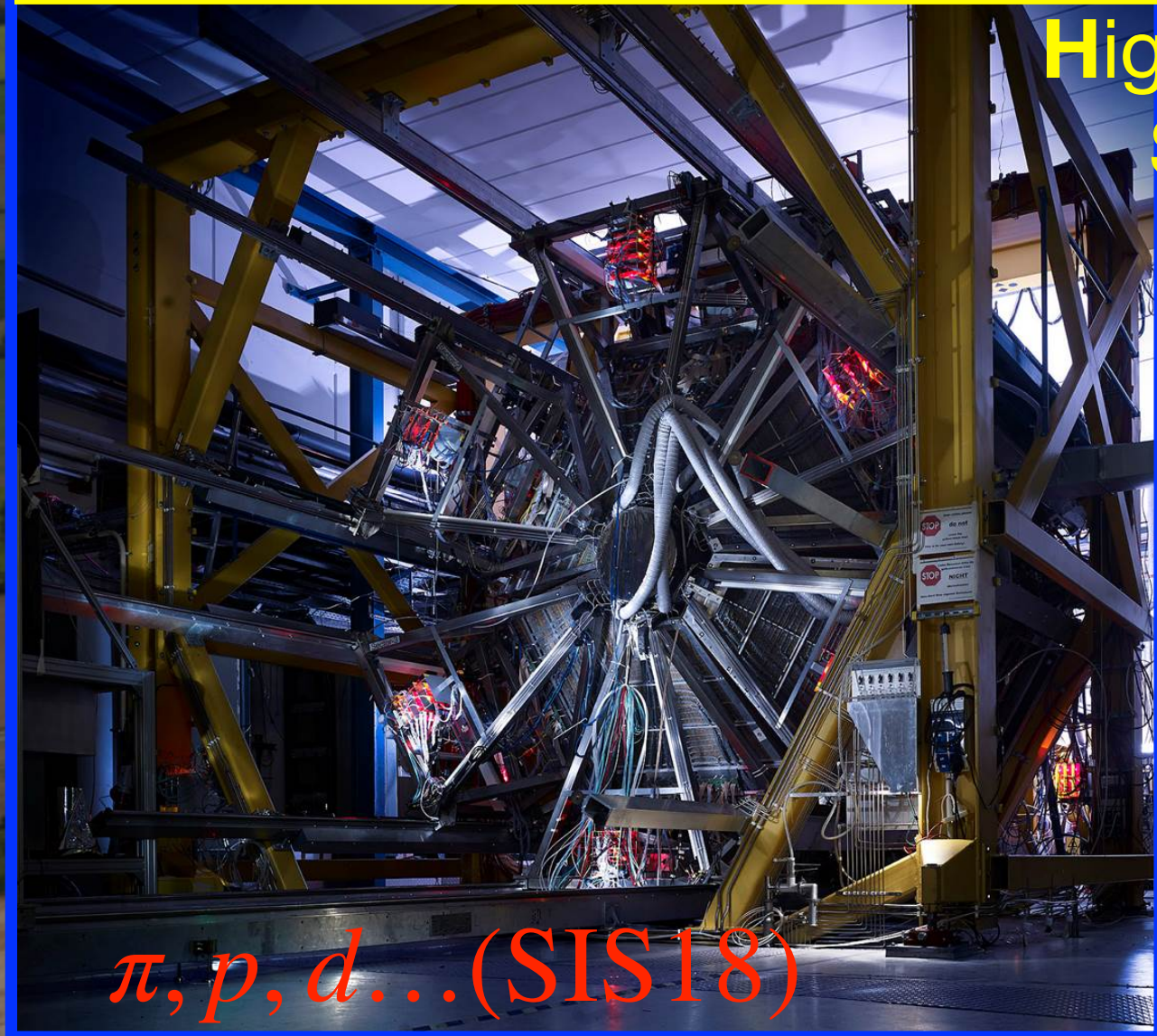
...activities in the past years

- Many preparatory **activities** ongoing since 2023
- **Discussions** among physicists from various FAIR **collaborations**
- **Kick-off satellite event** at MESON2023 in June 2023
- **Feasibility studies** using Monte Carlo simulations
- Presentations at **FAIR advisory boards** ECE/ECSG/JSC at **workshops, conferences, etc.**
- **Workshop** “*physics opportunities with proton beams at SIS100*” in Wuppertal, February 2024
- Setup structure **white paper**, identify convenors, contributors, setup working groups, overleaf, mailinglists, etc.
- White paper workshop, **11-14th November**, 2024 at GSI

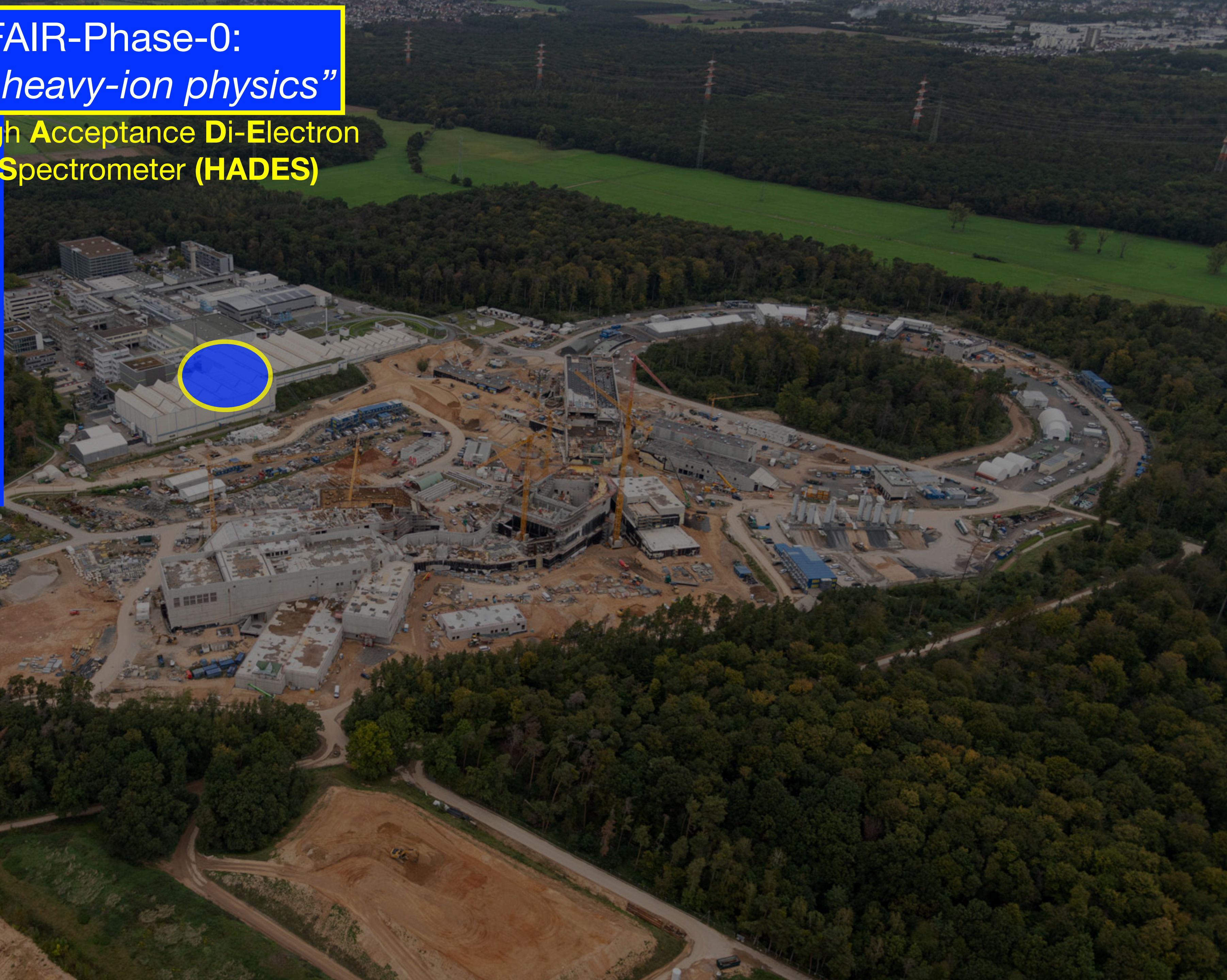


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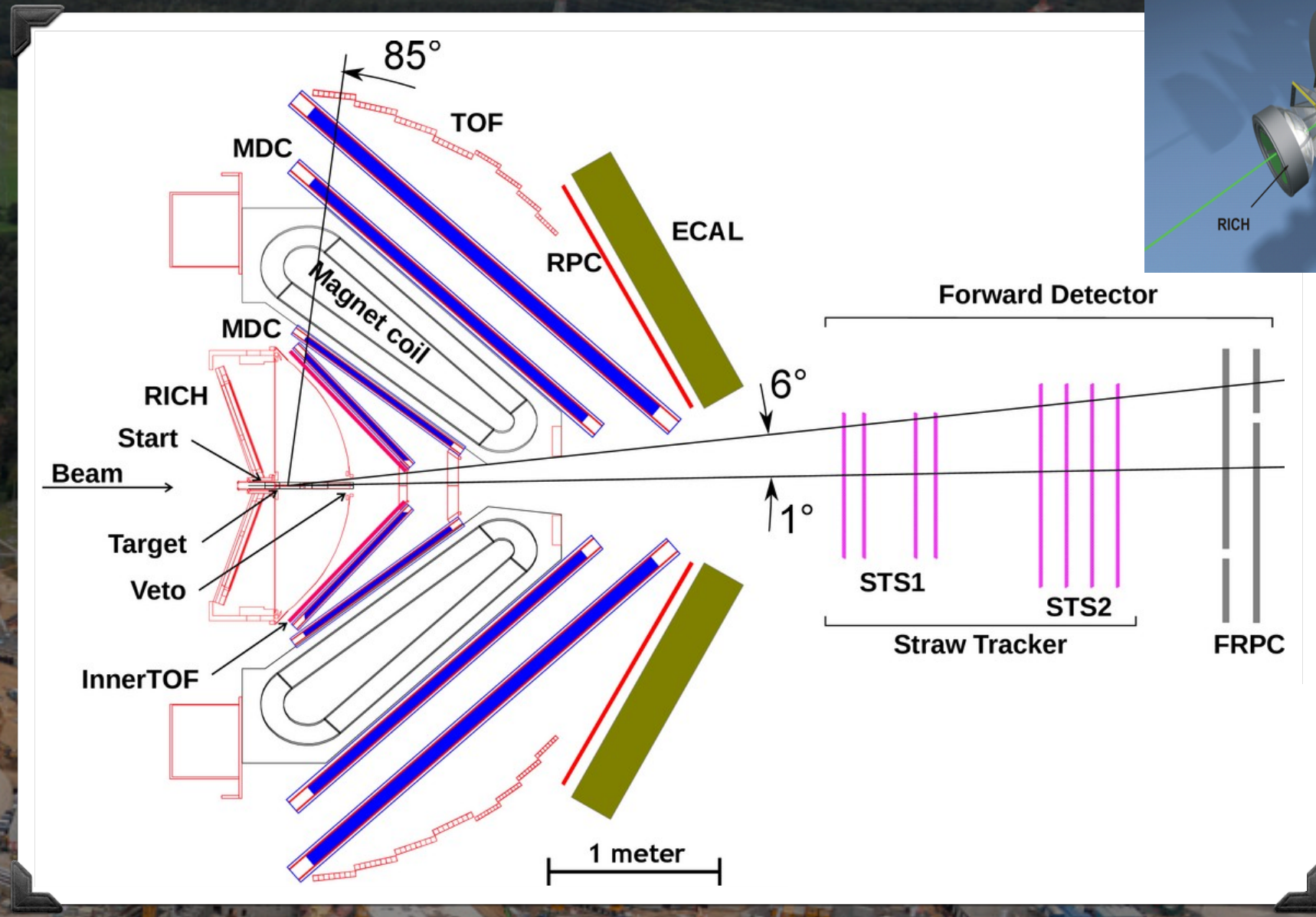
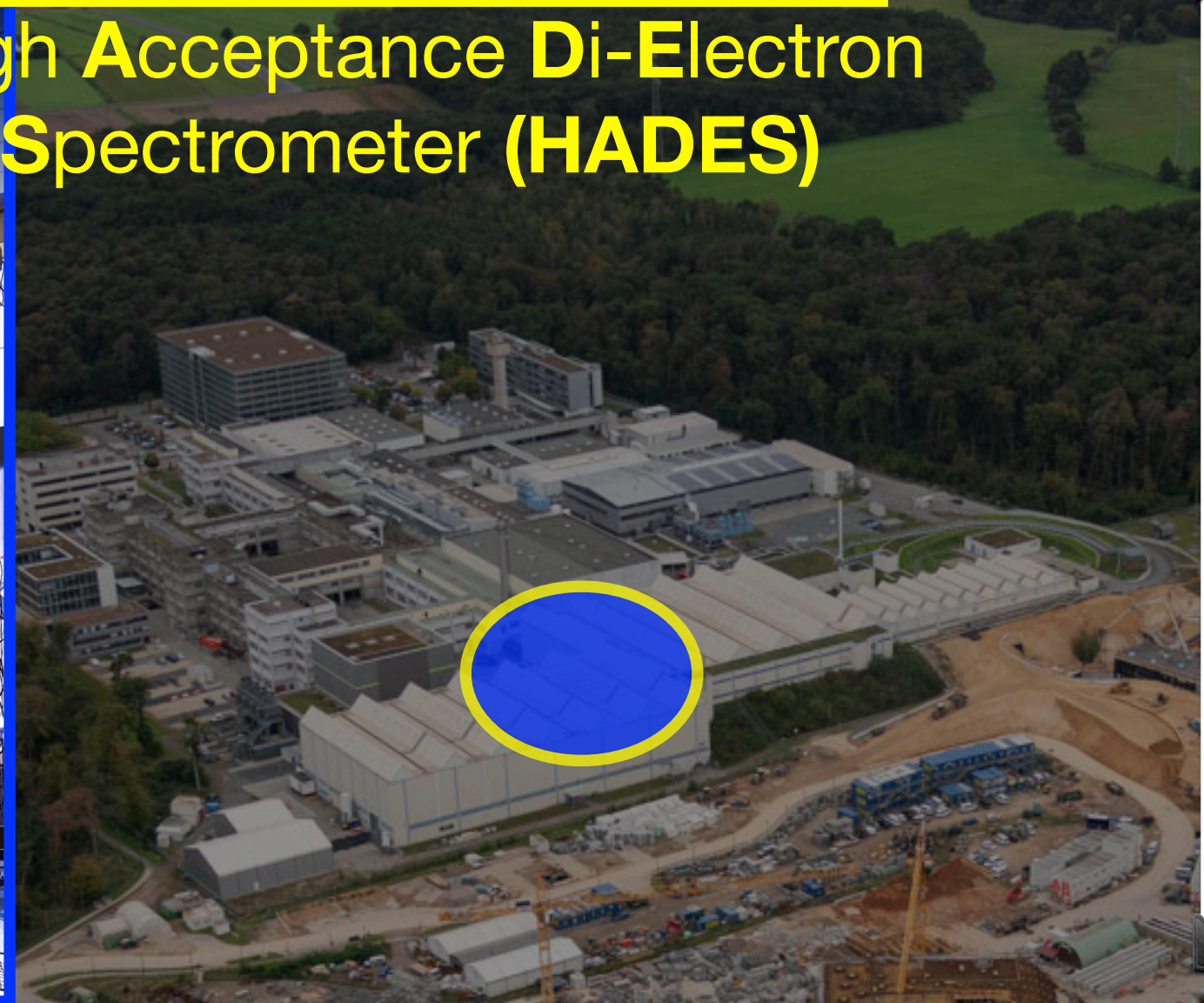
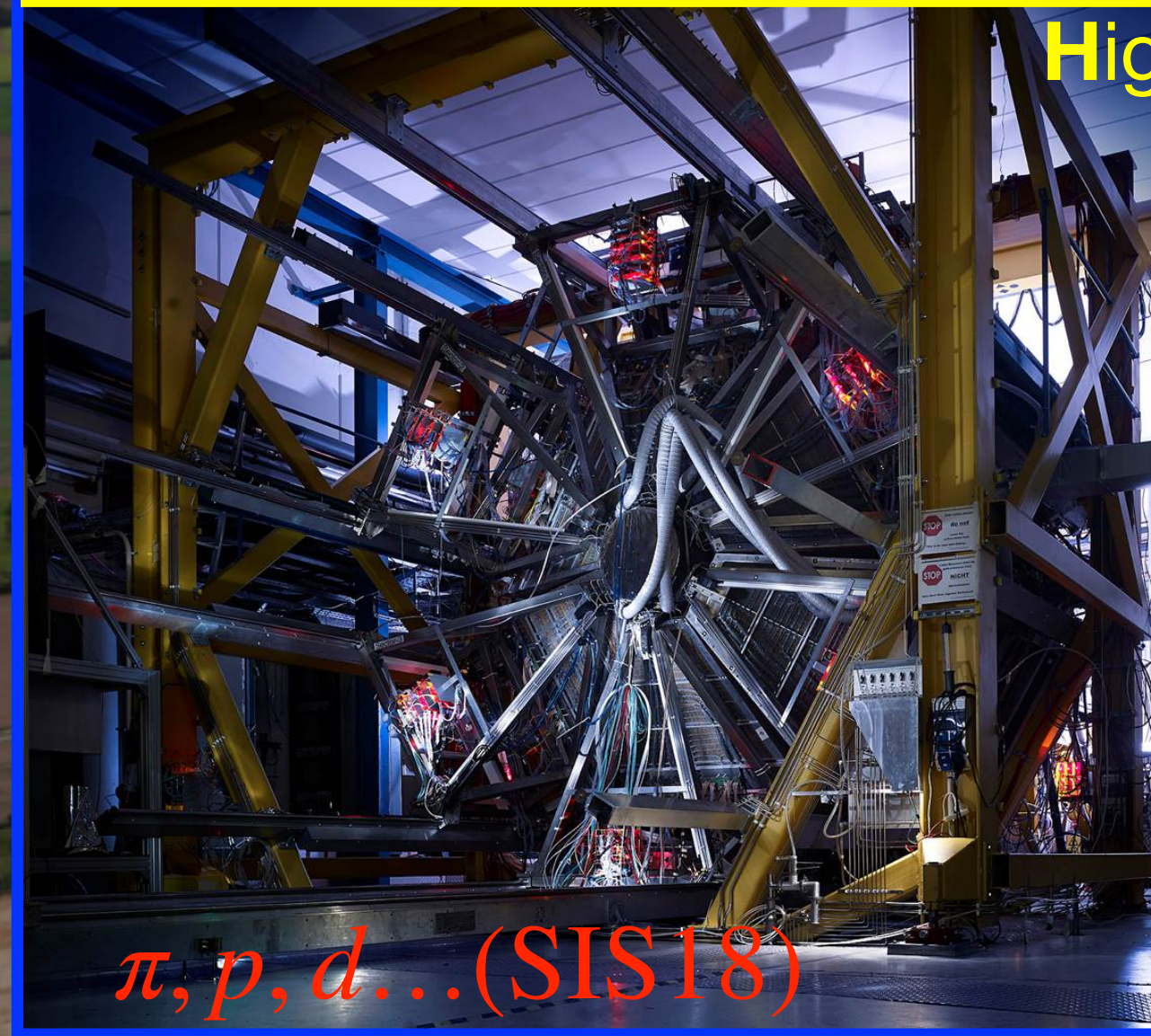


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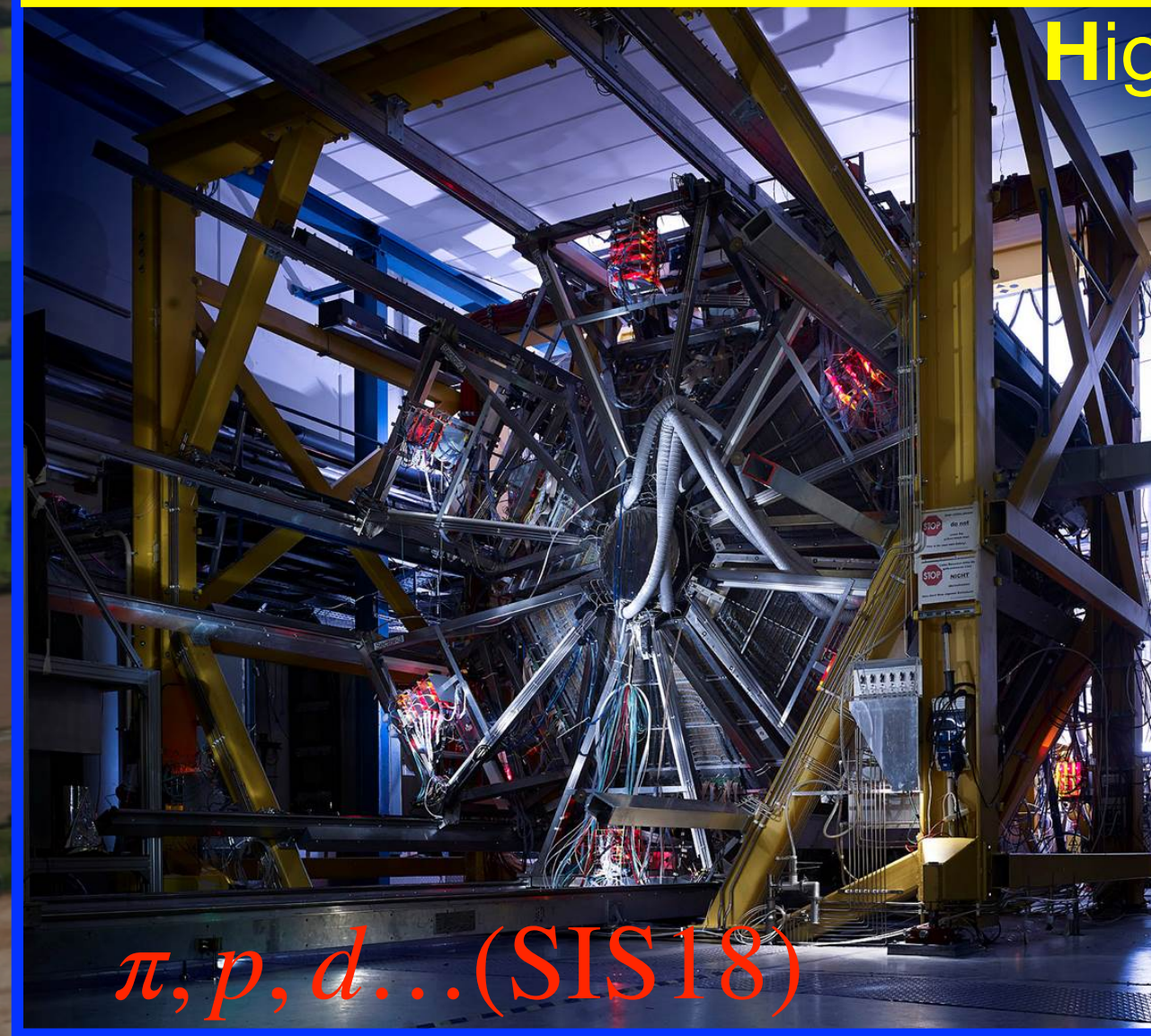
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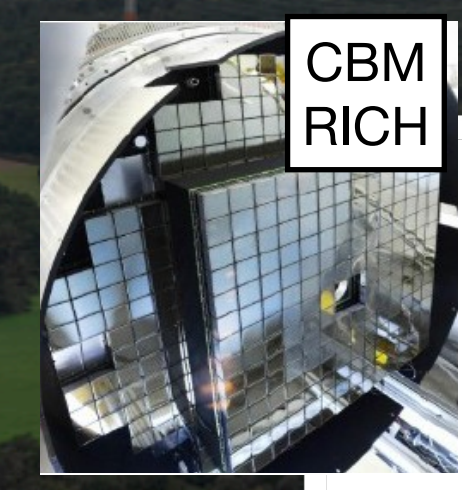
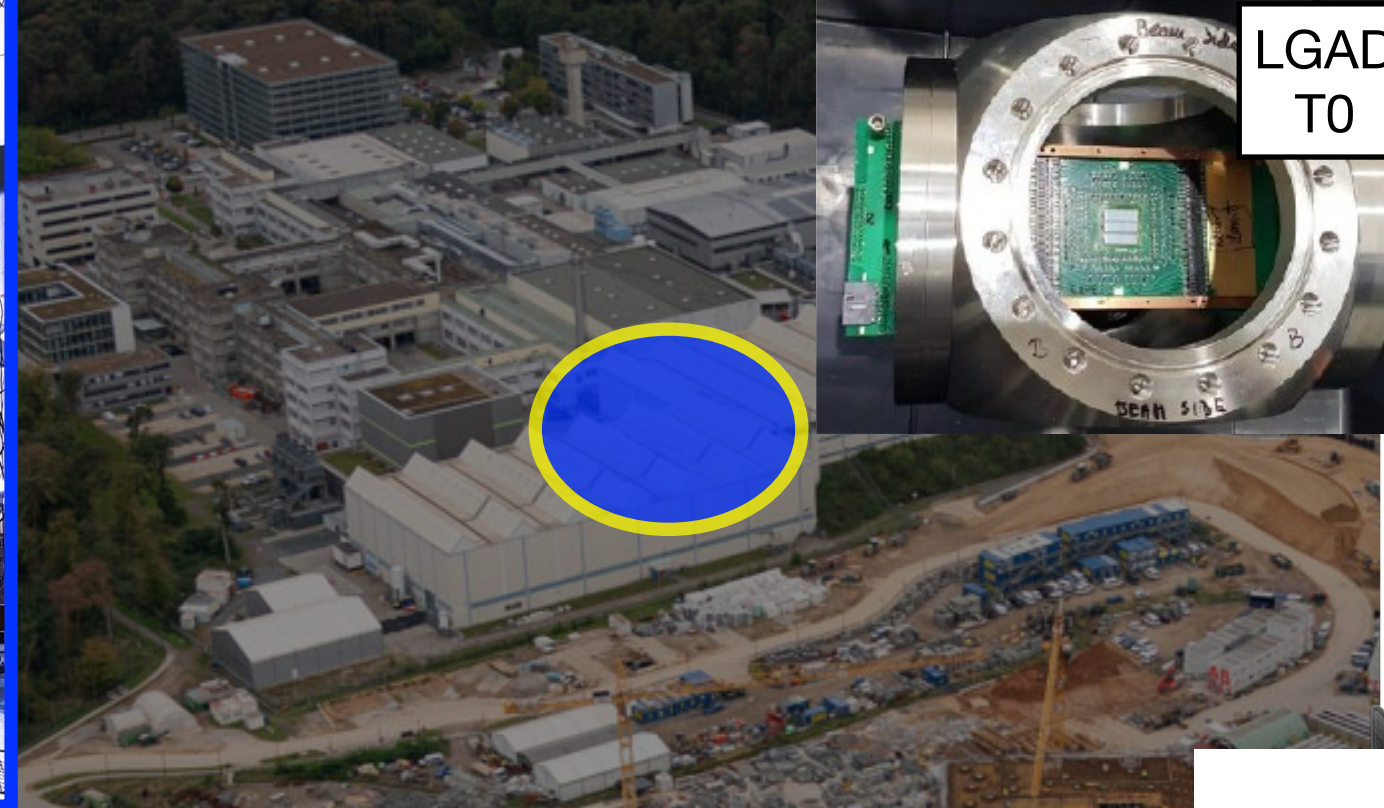
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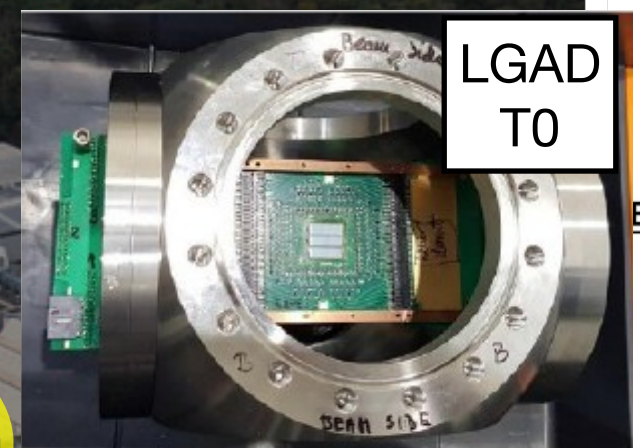
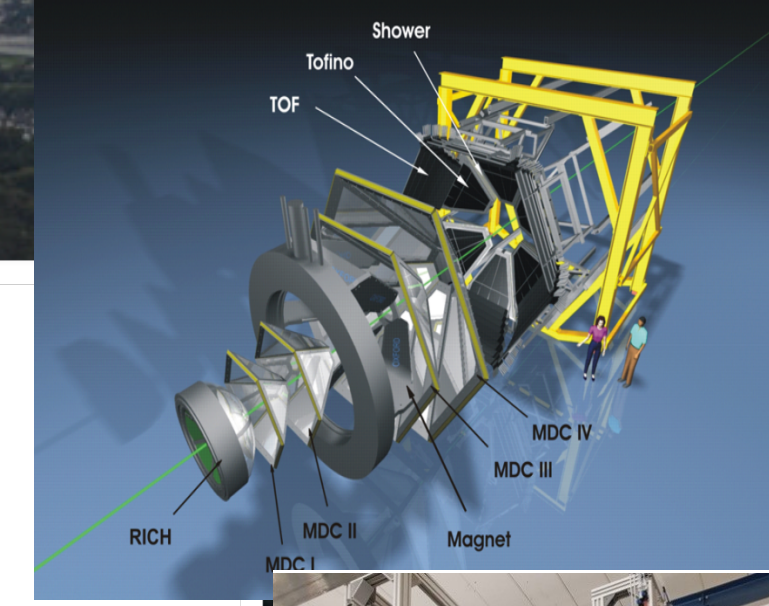
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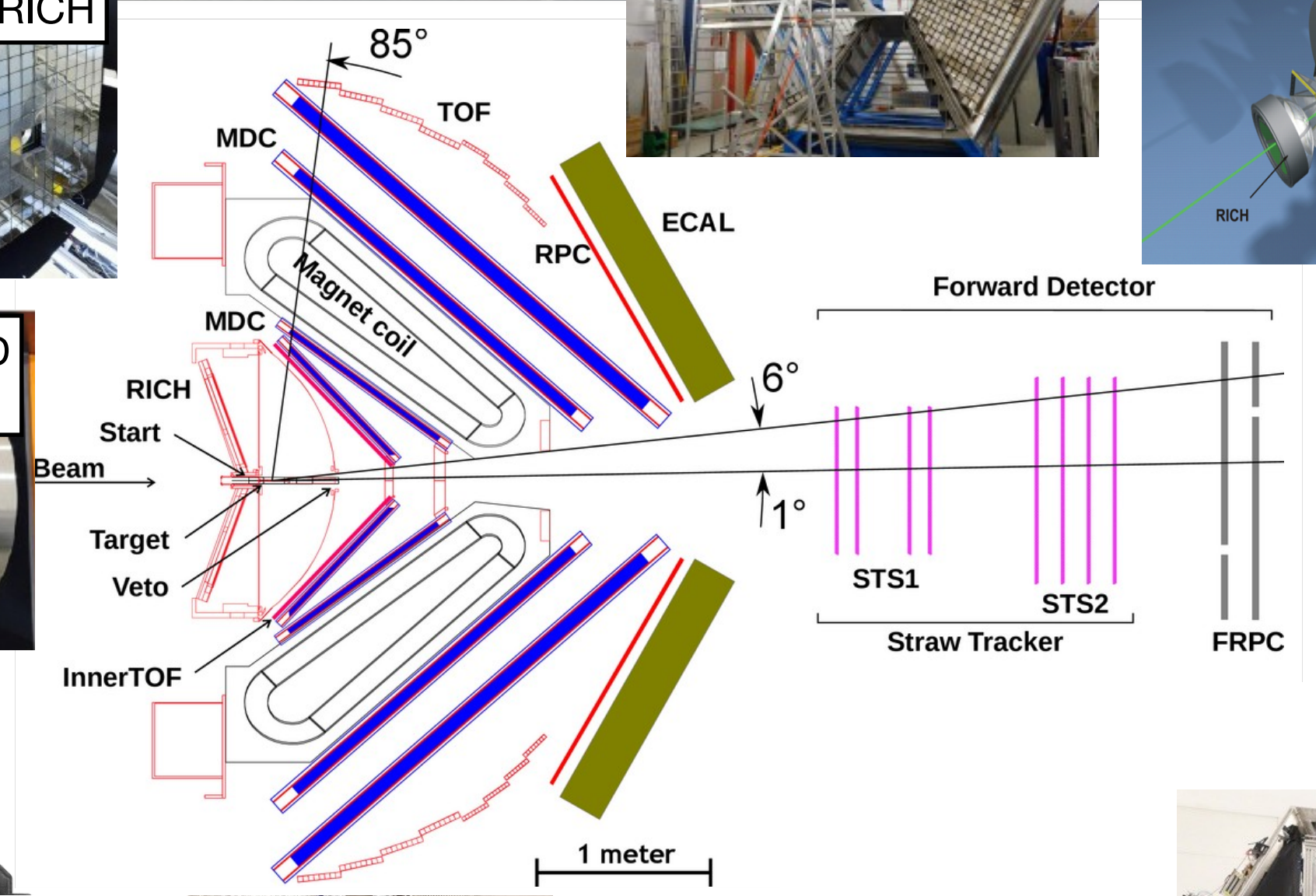
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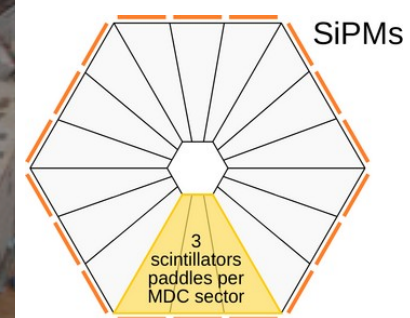


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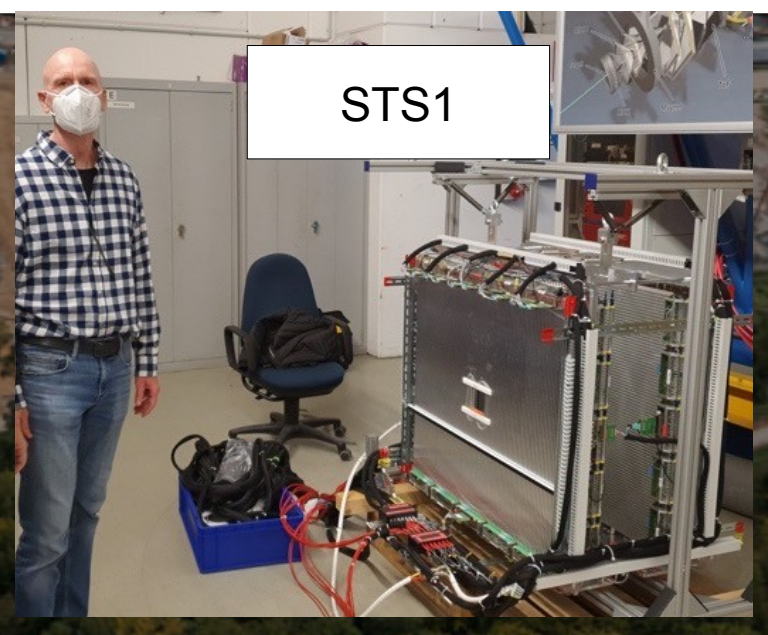


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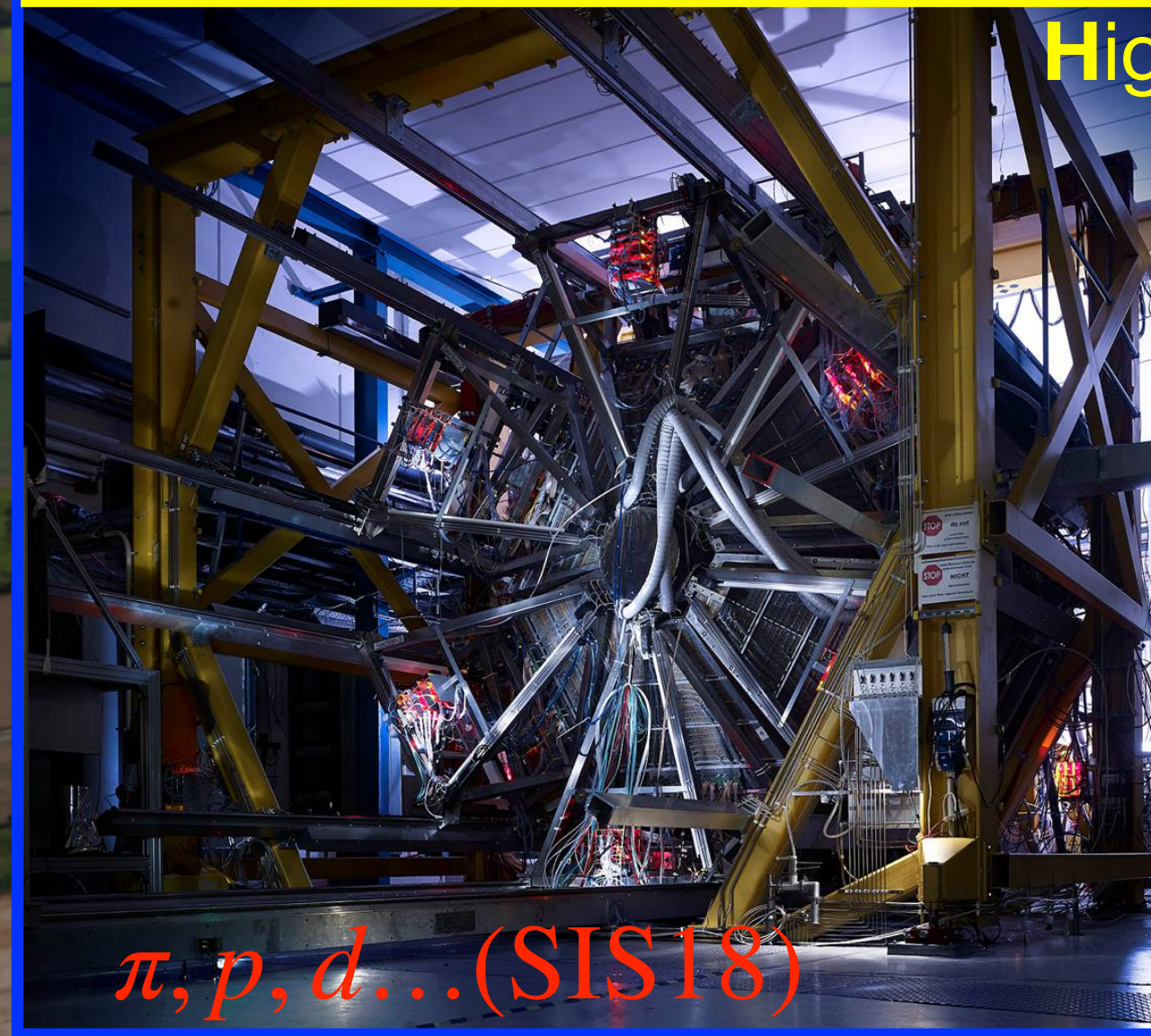
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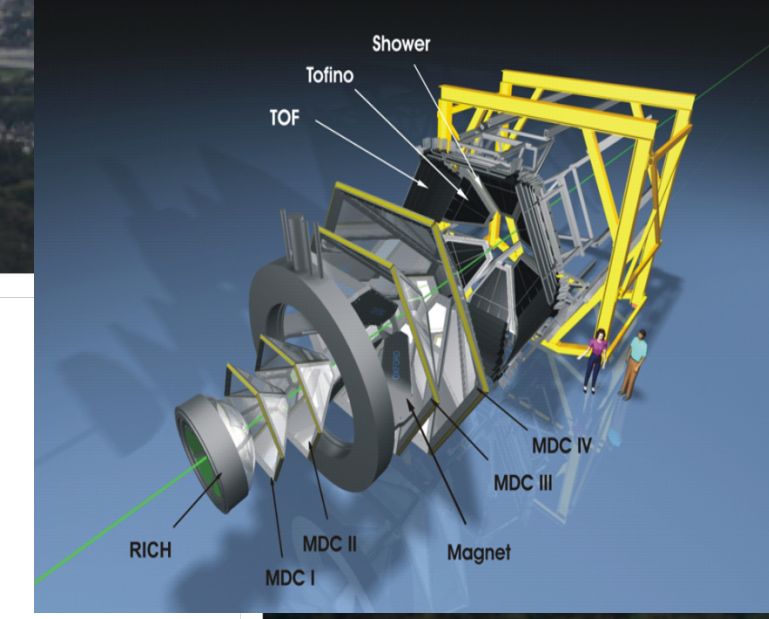
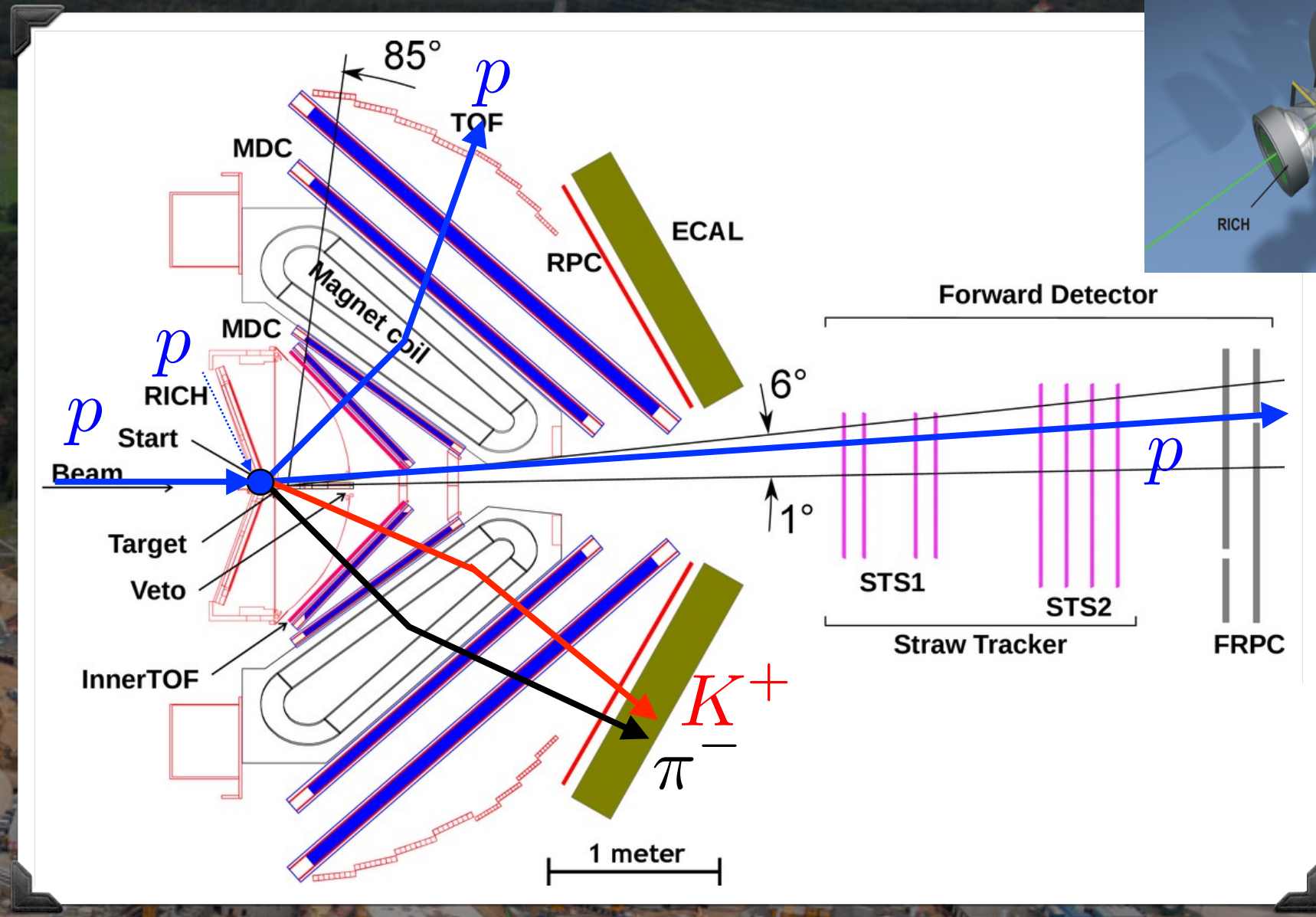
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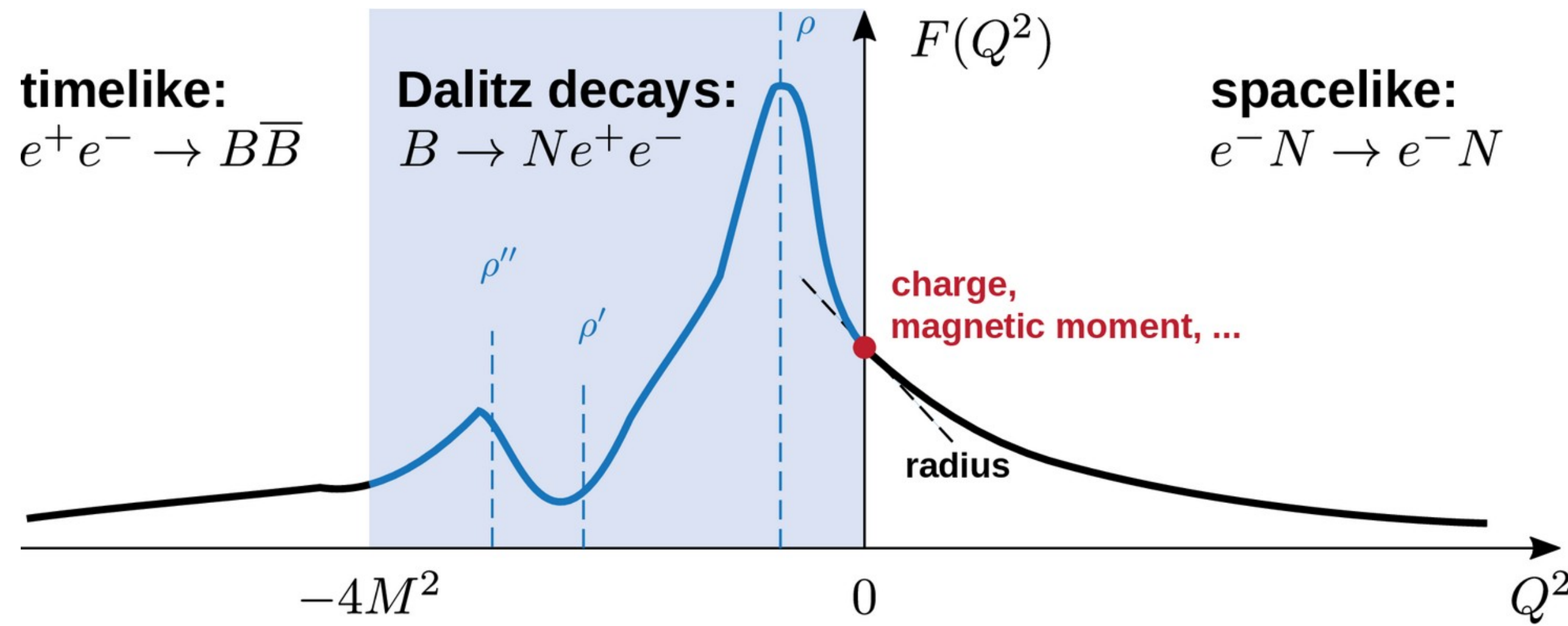
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[Case study: Feb. 2022 run with 4.5 GeV protons]

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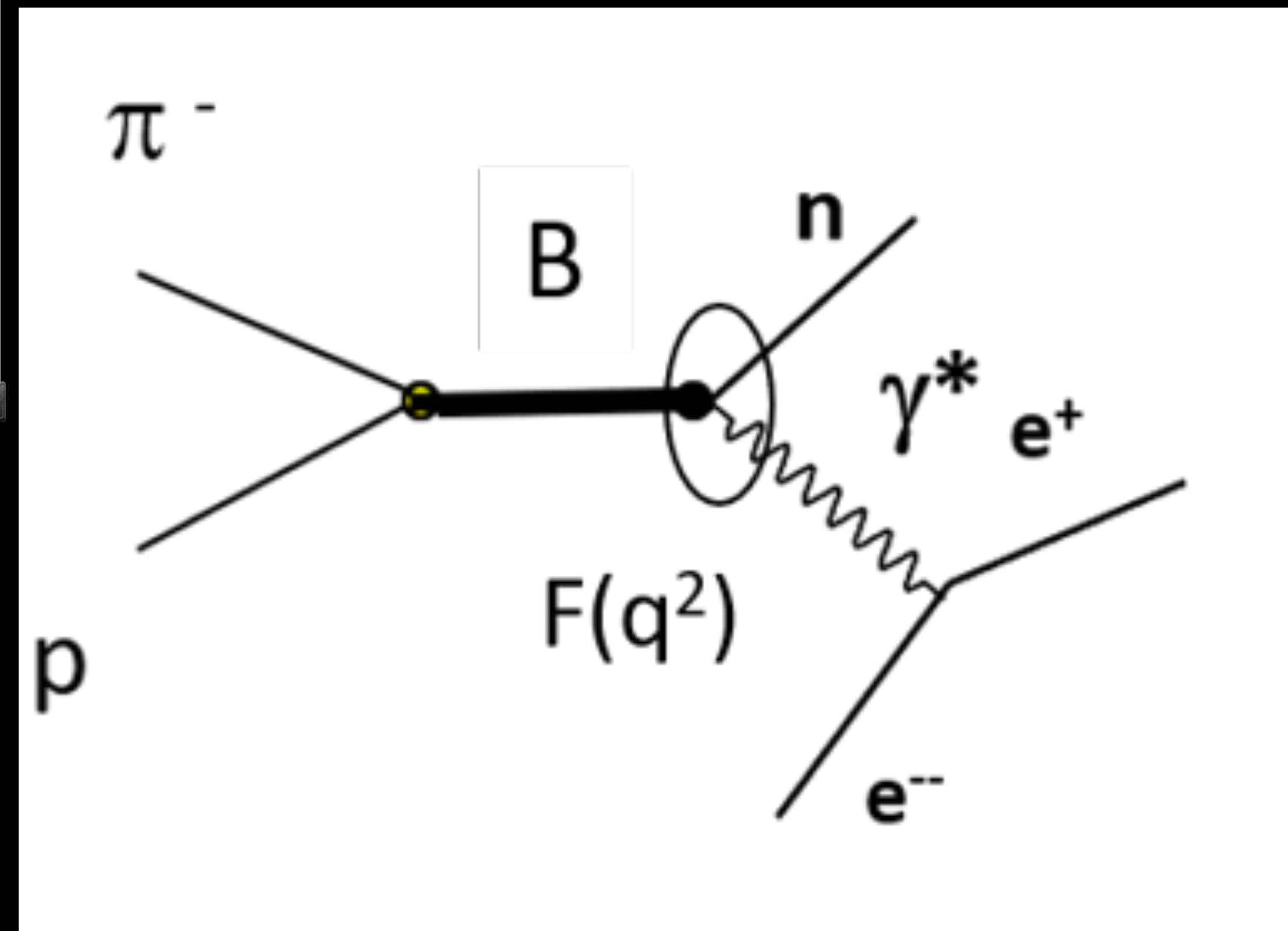
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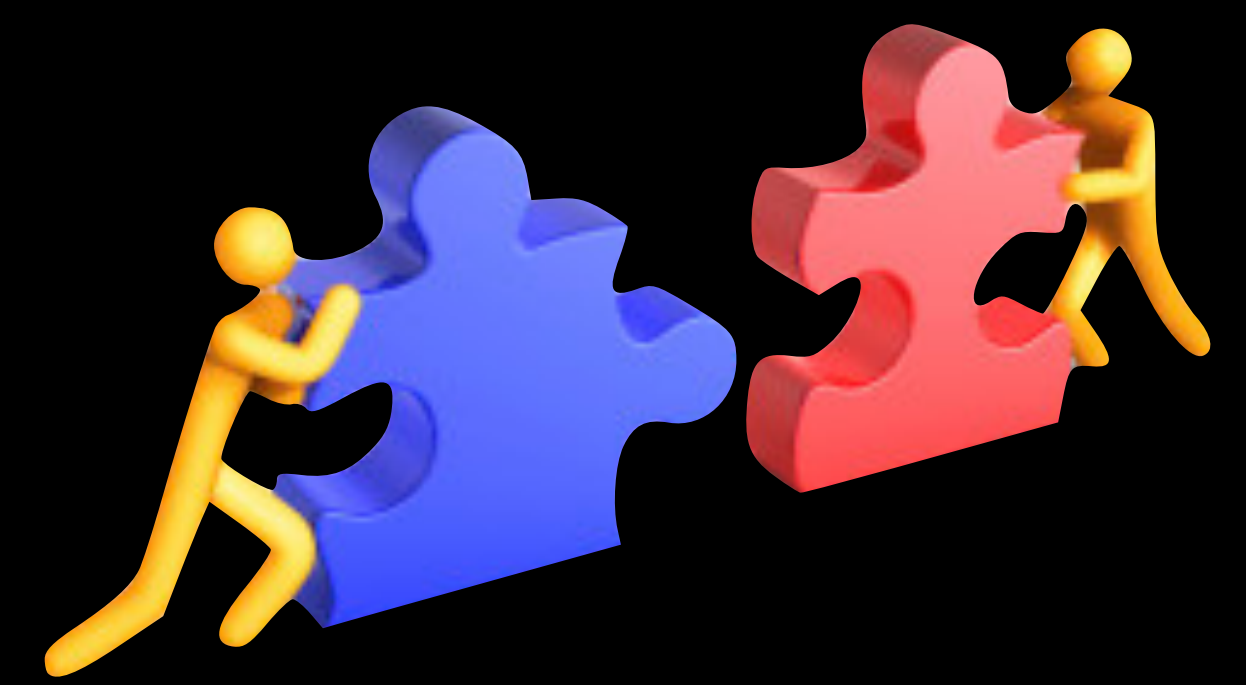
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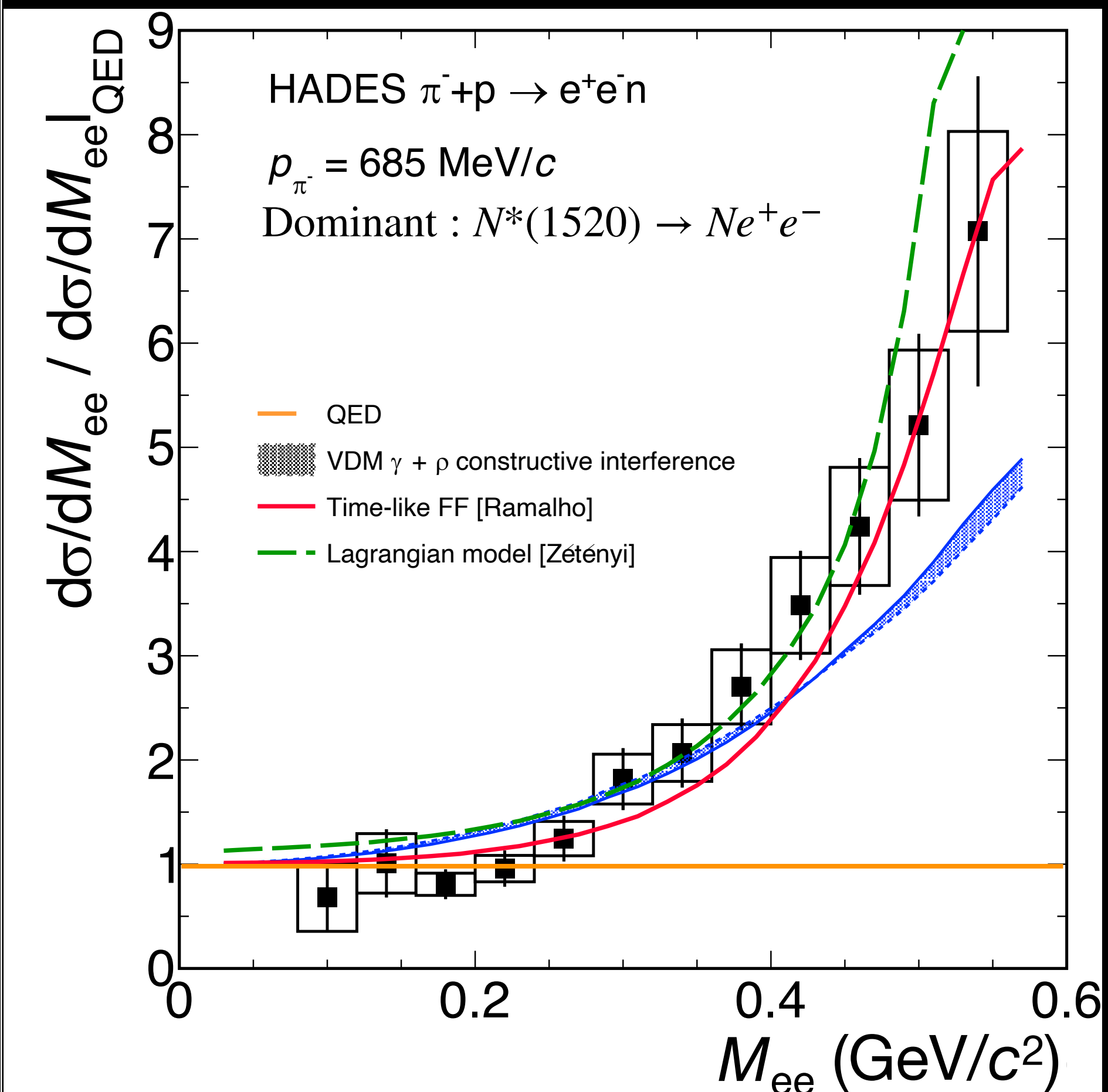
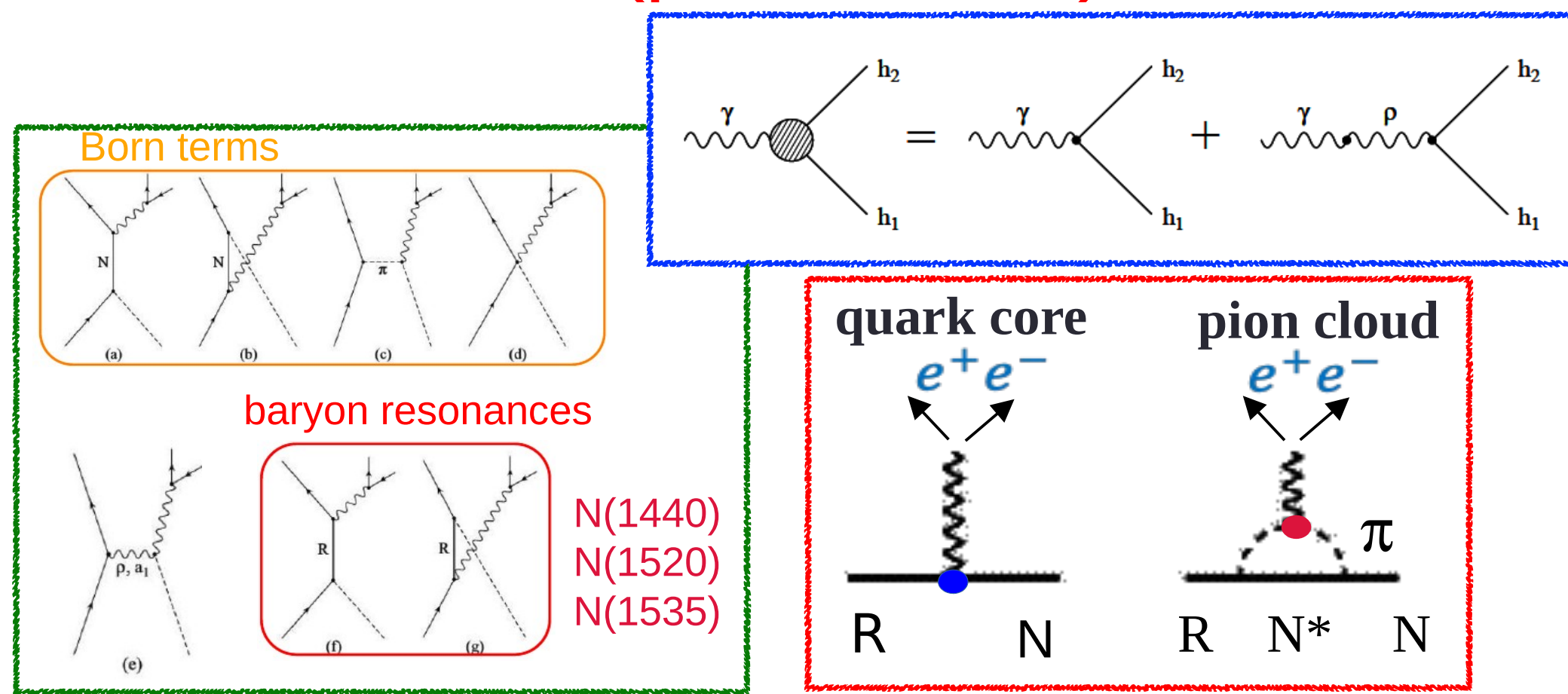


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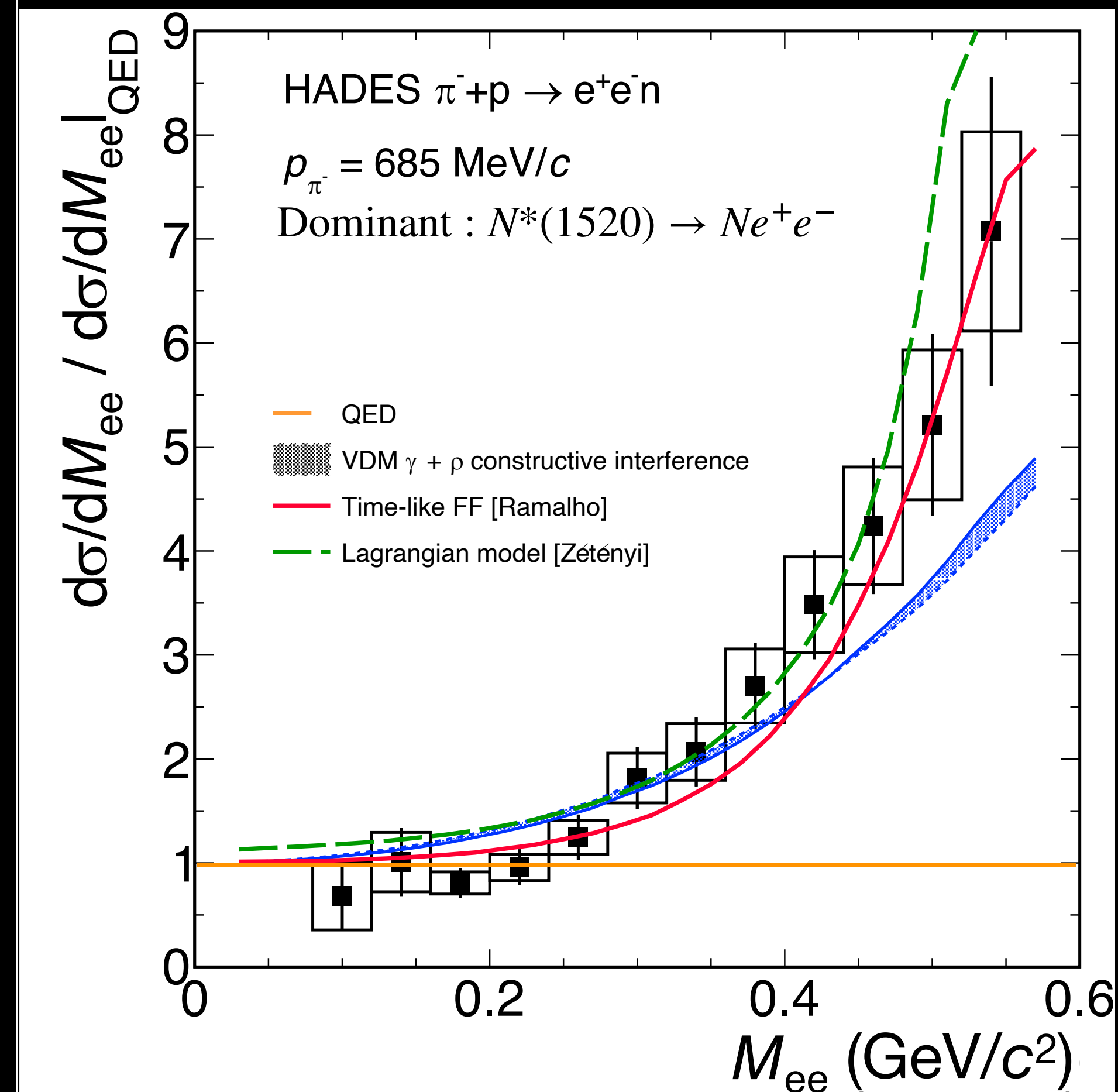
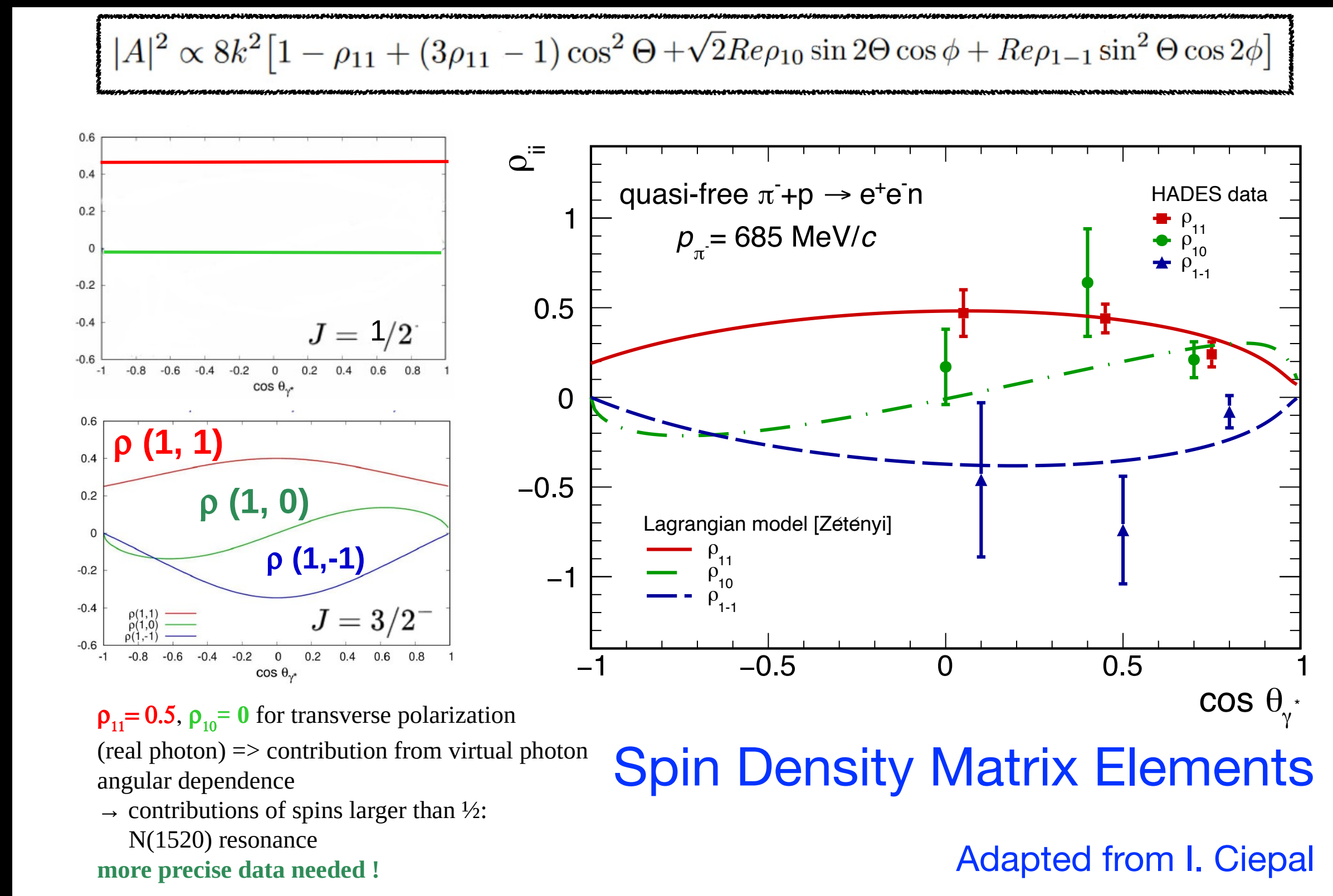
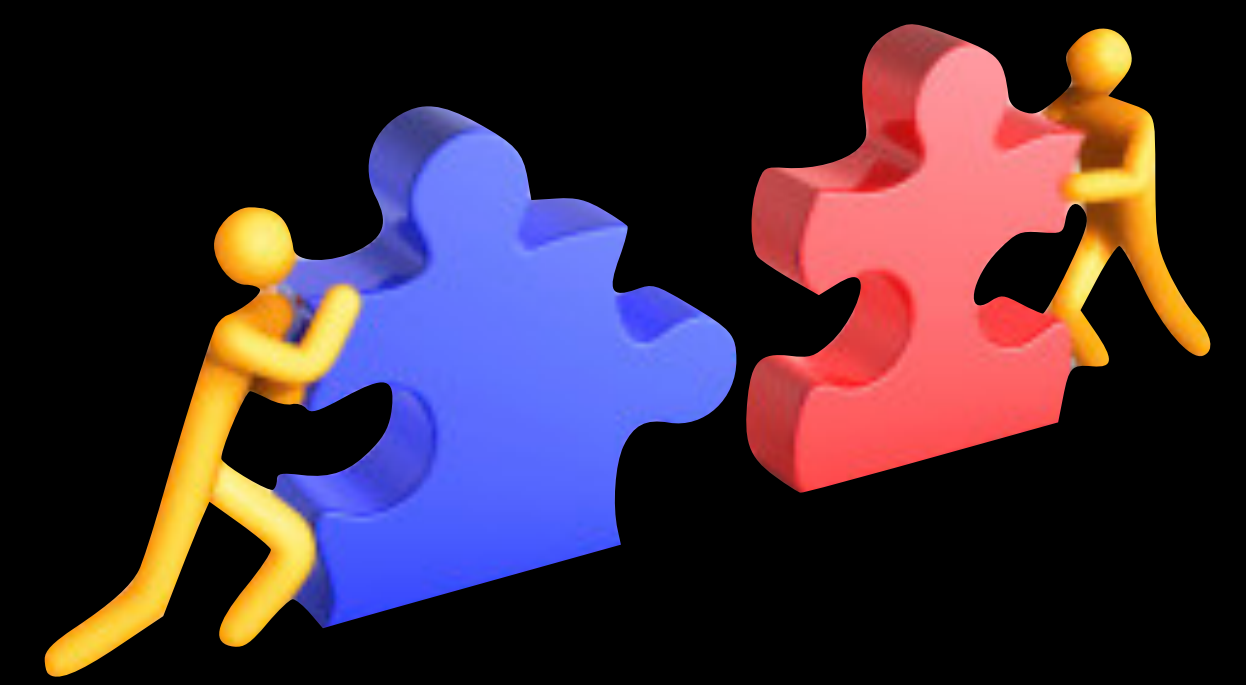


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- Lagrangian model – very promising
- Time-like FF - dominant pion cloud contribution (pion emFF)



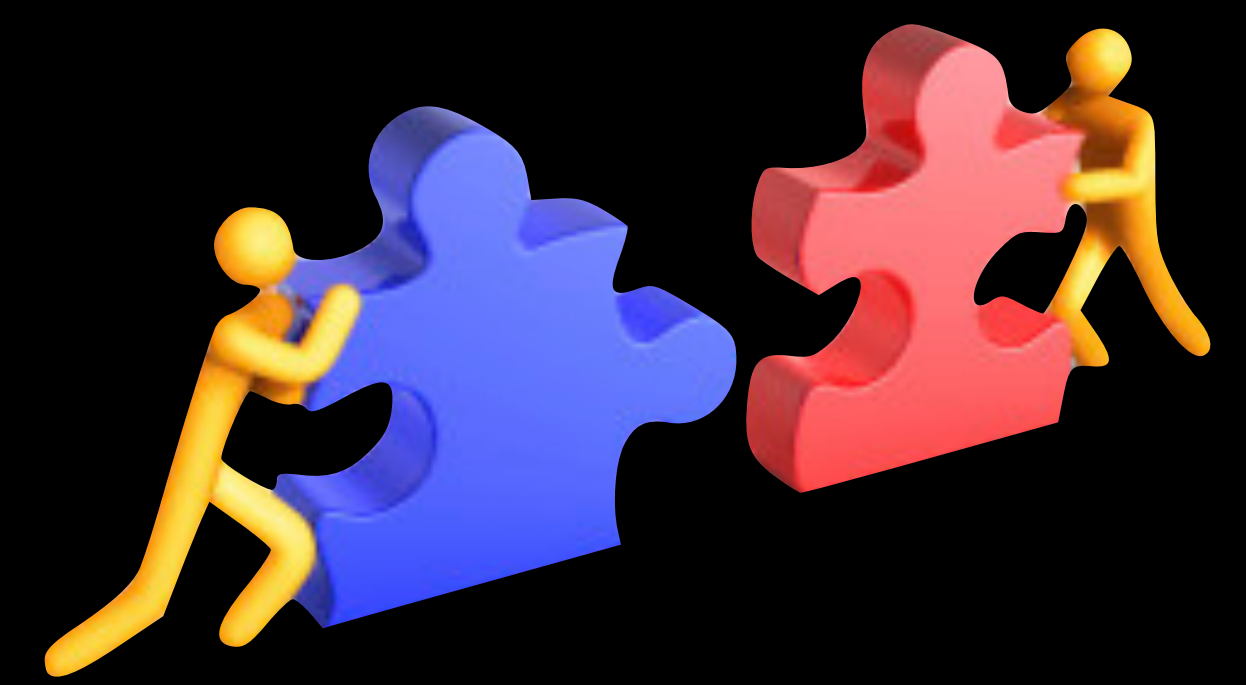
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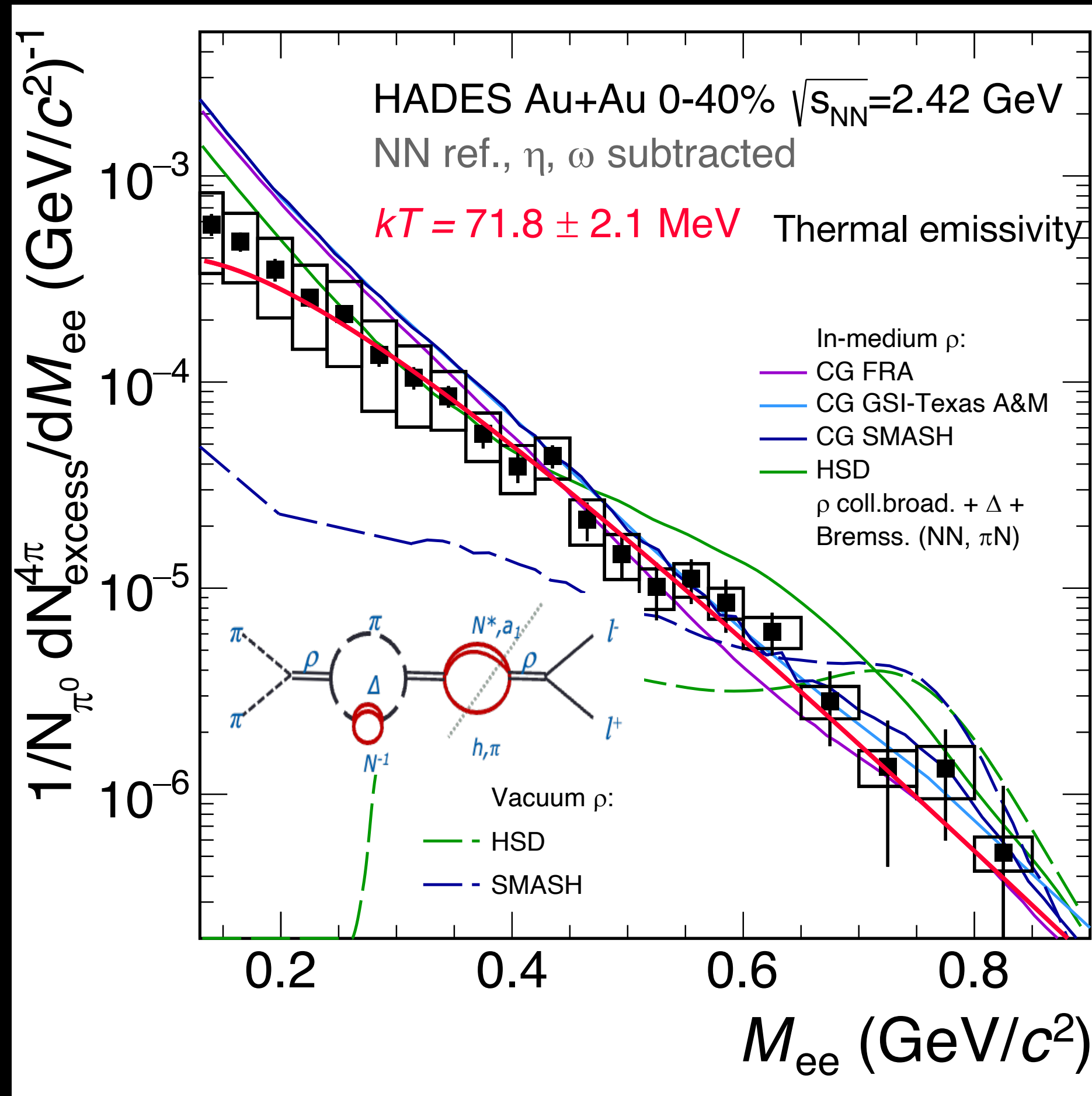


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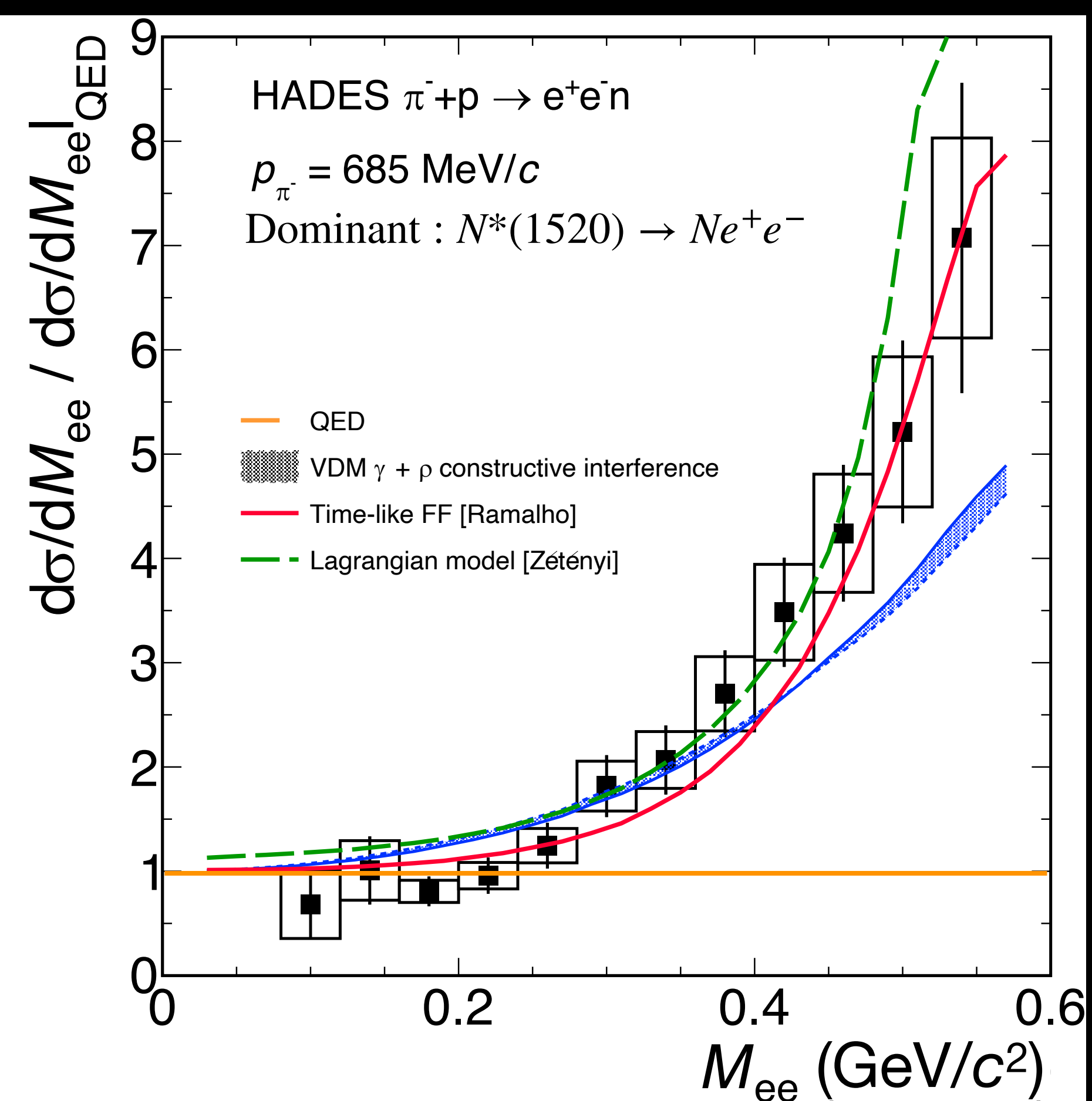
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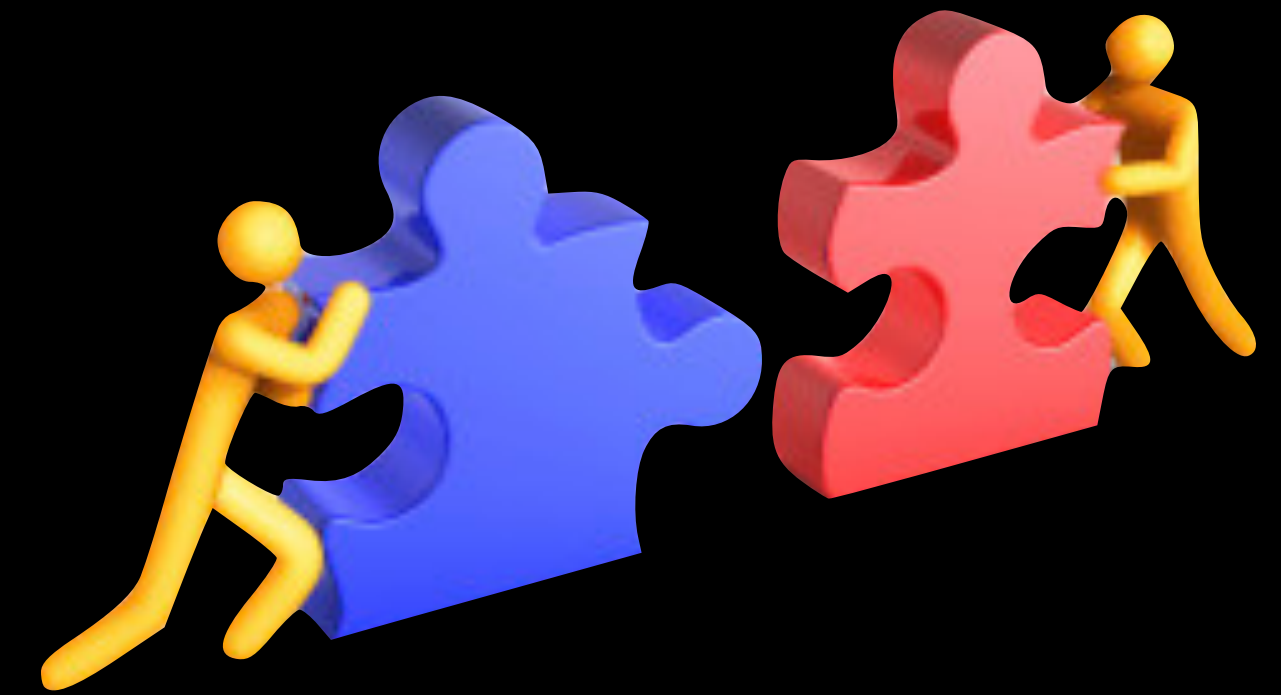
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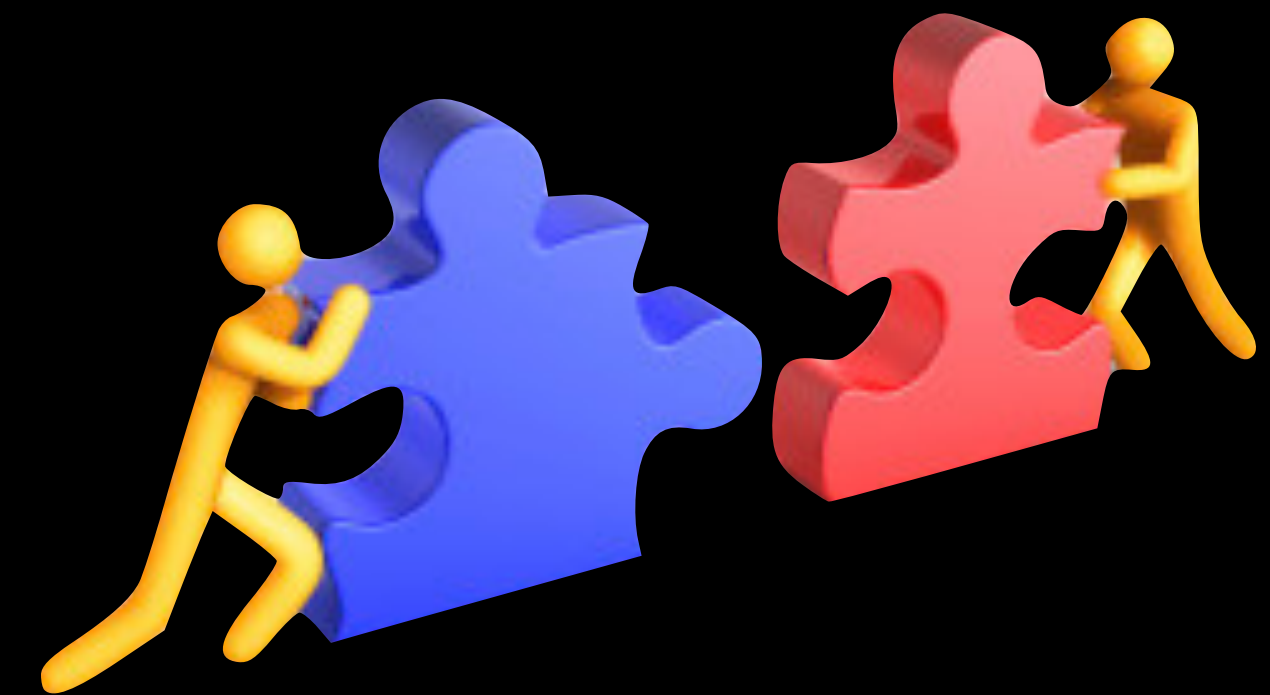
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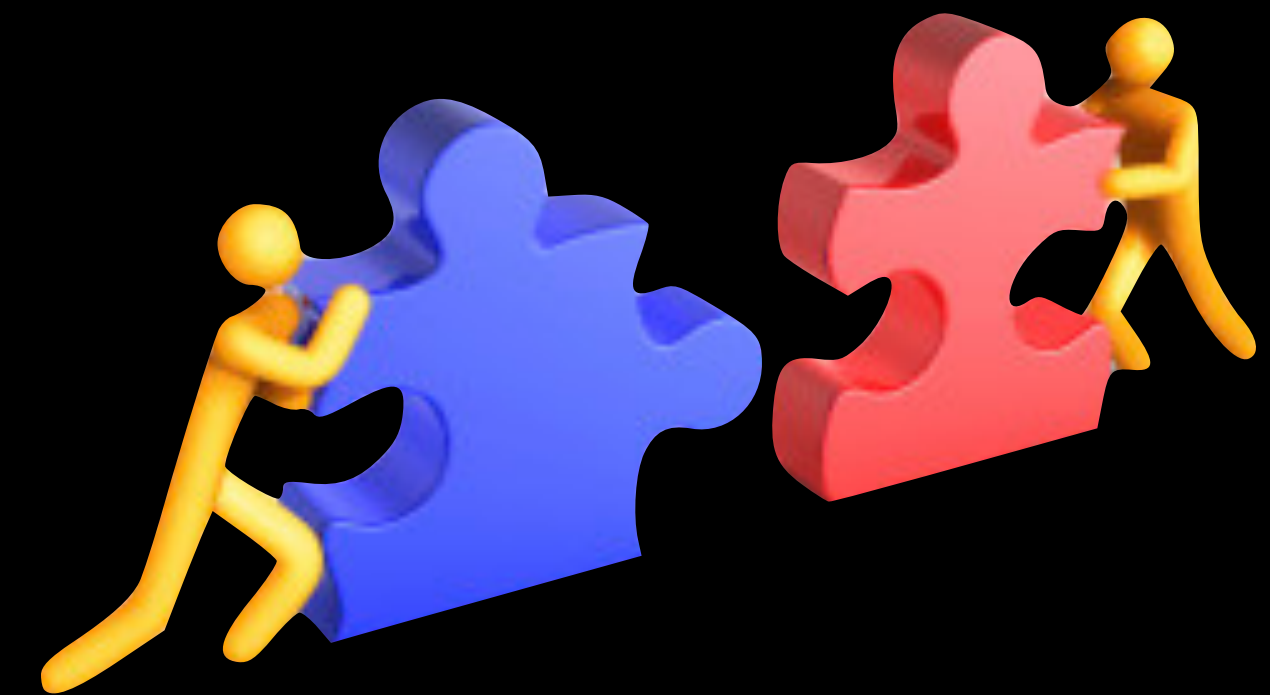
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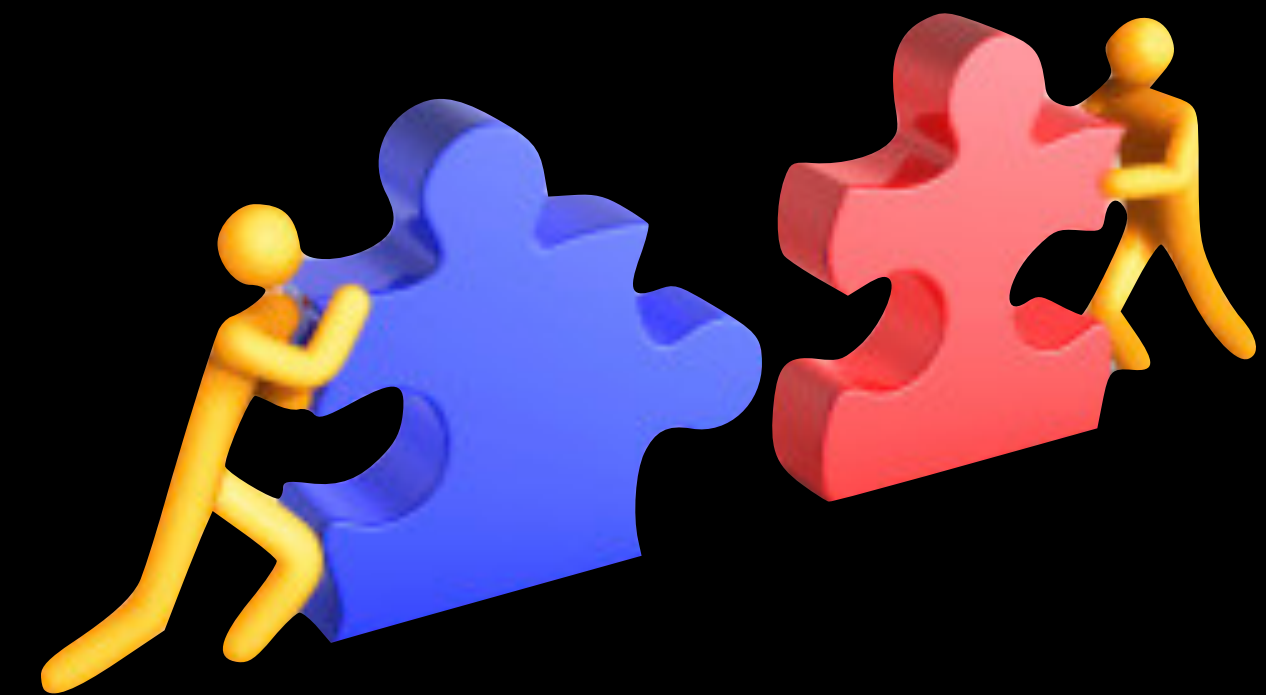
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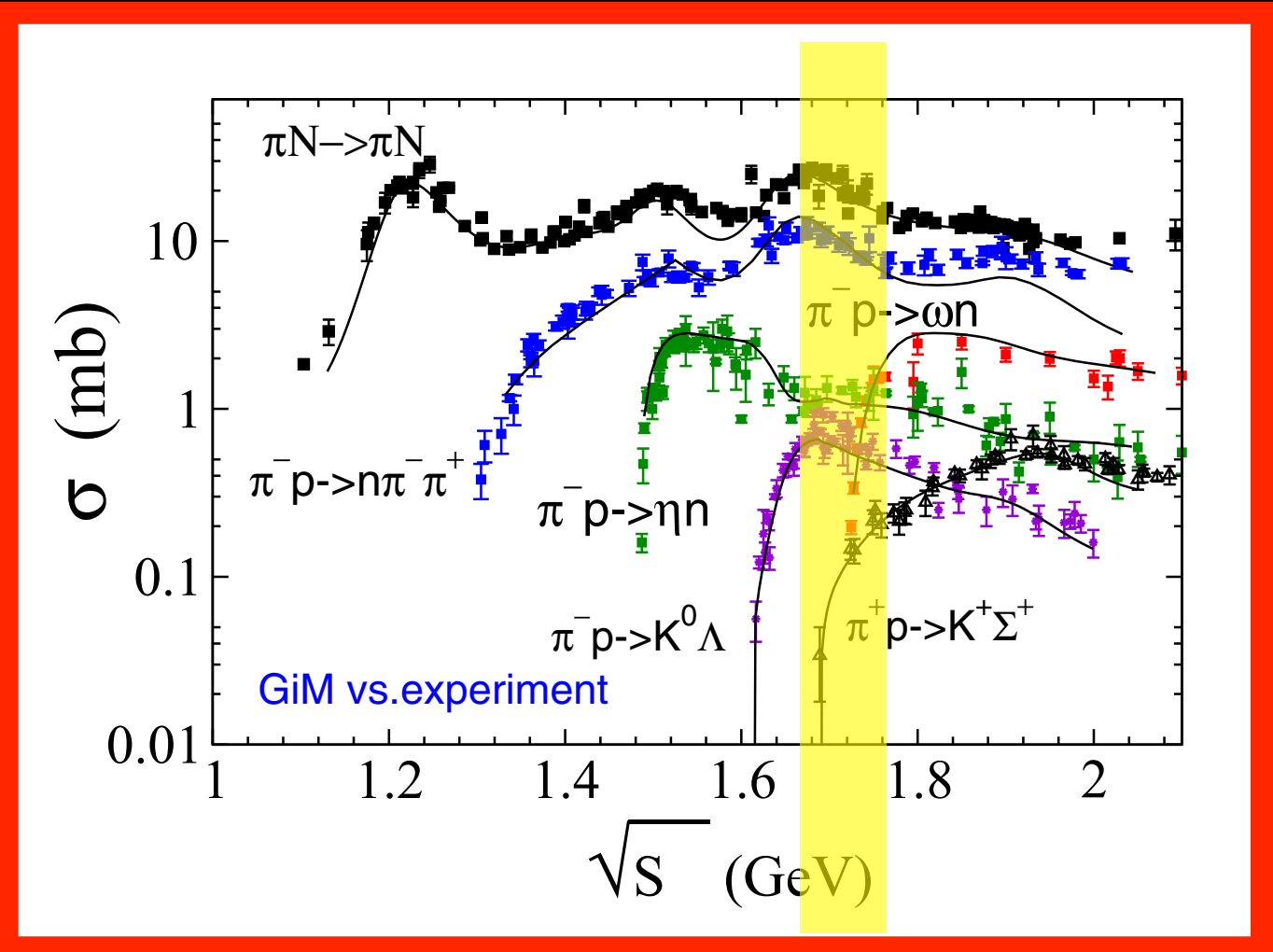
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- Intermediate physics program with pions & protons towards antiprotons



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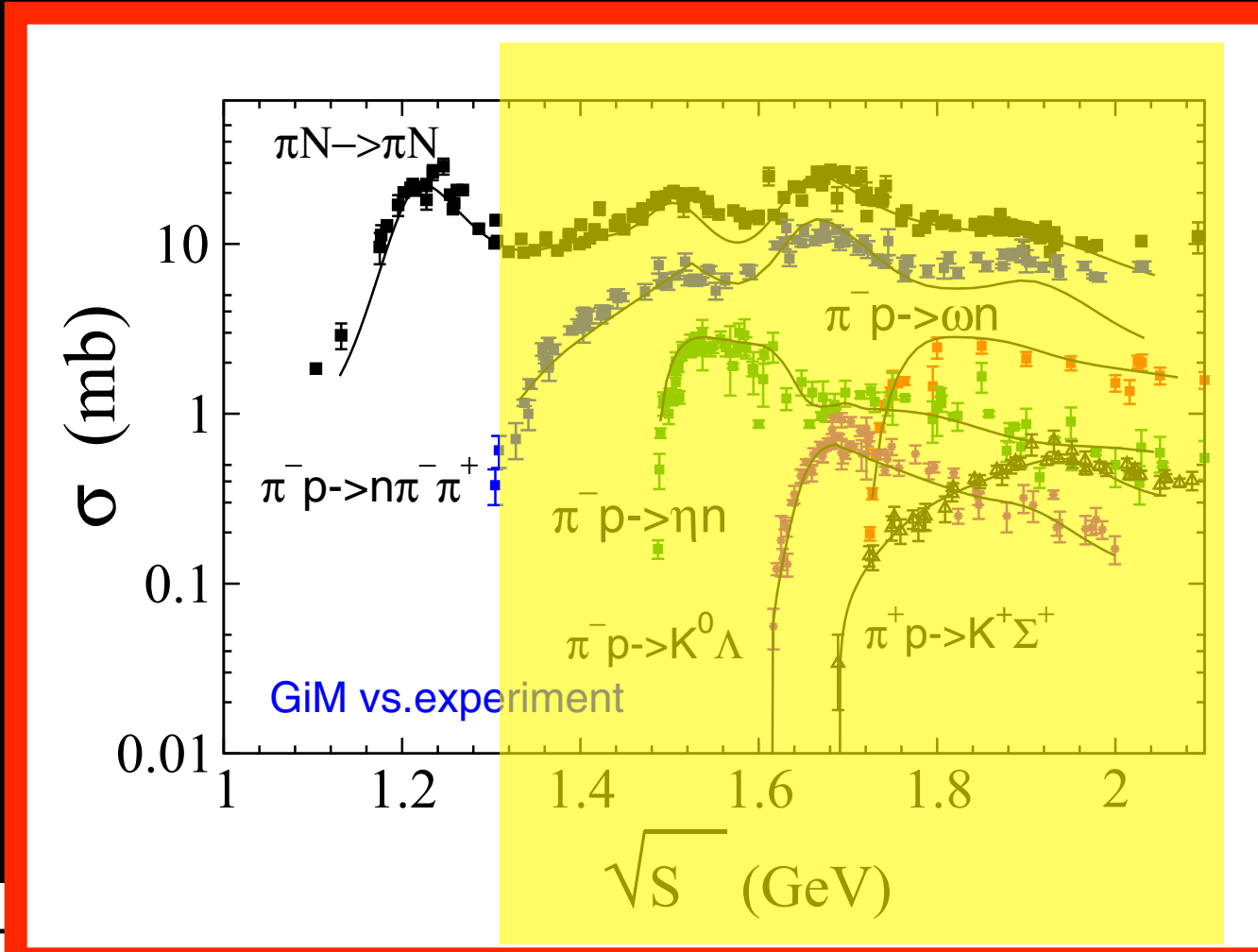


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