

Exoplanets as Dark Laboratories: New Tests of sub-GeV Dark Matter

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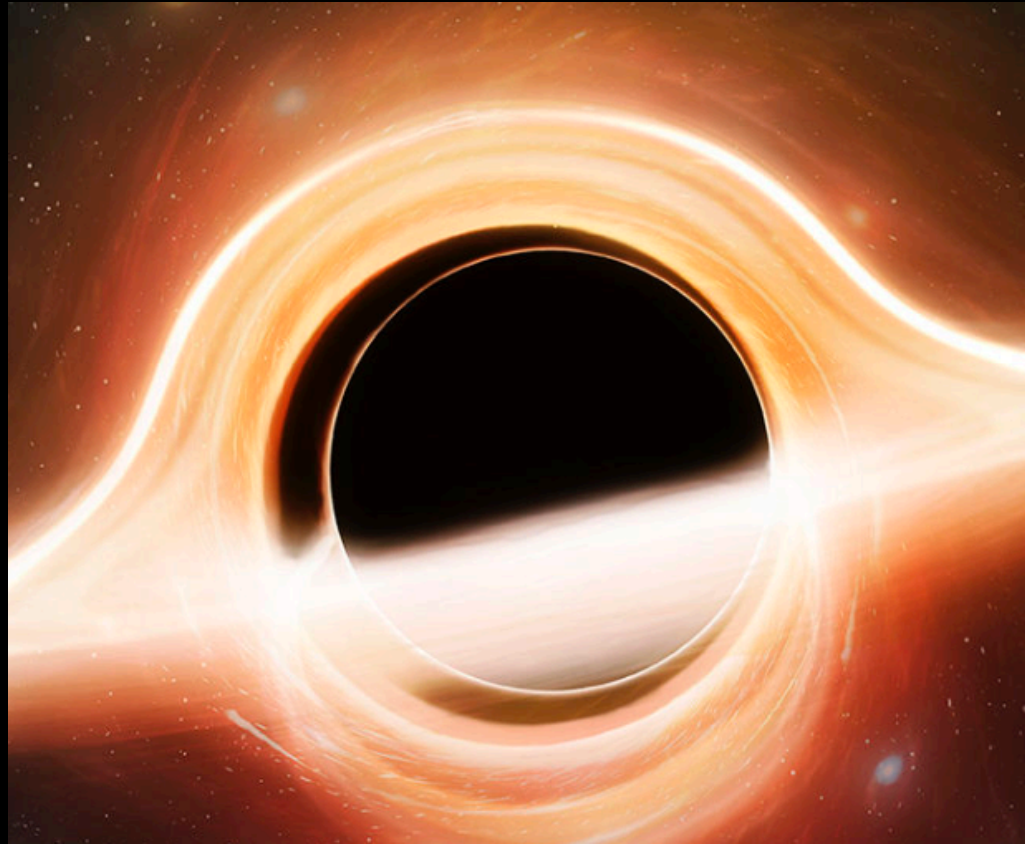
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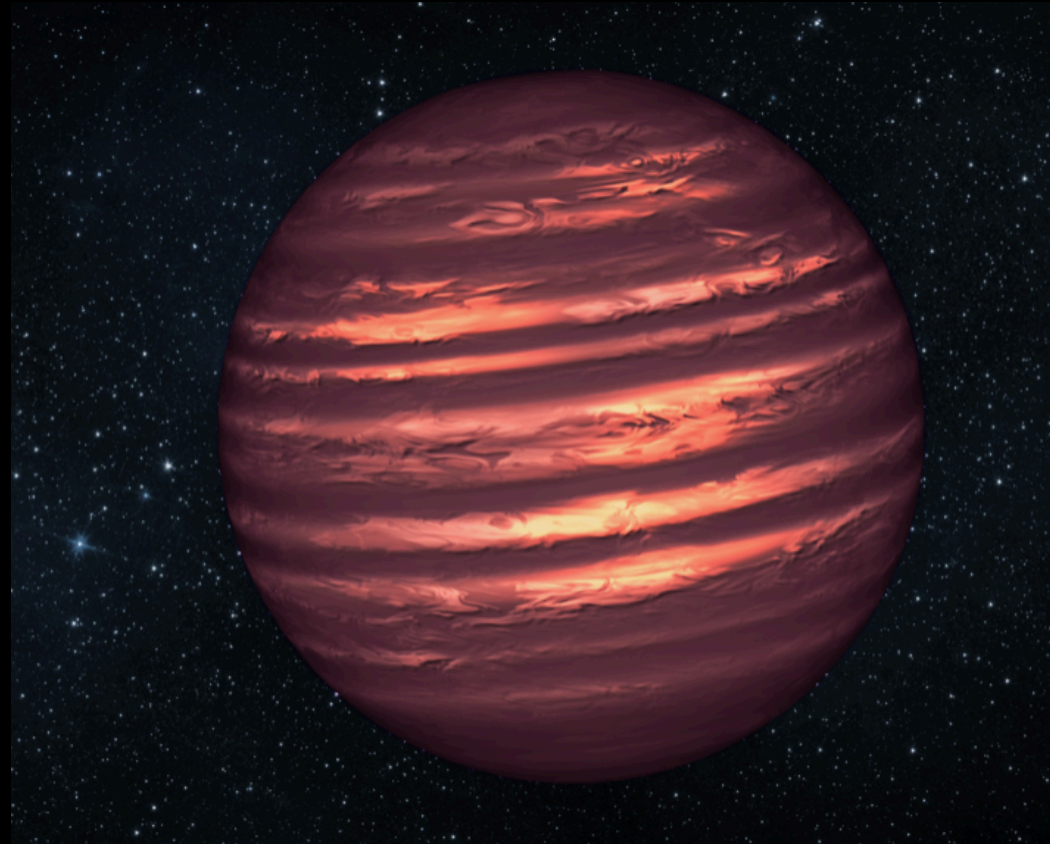
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A New Dark Laboratory

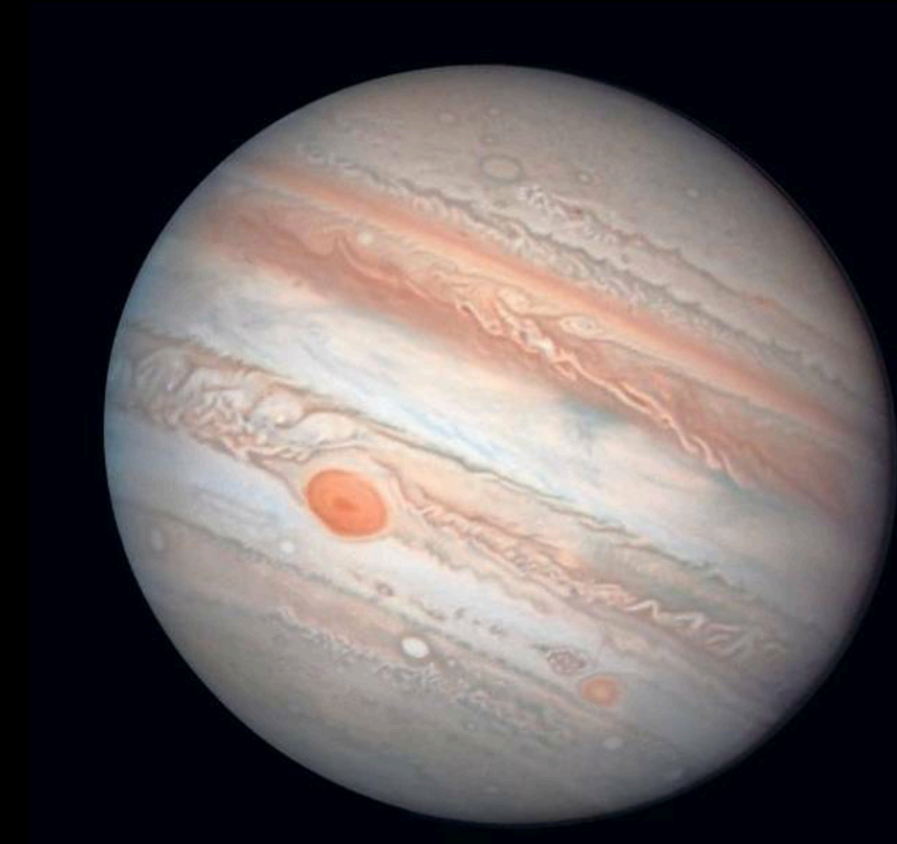
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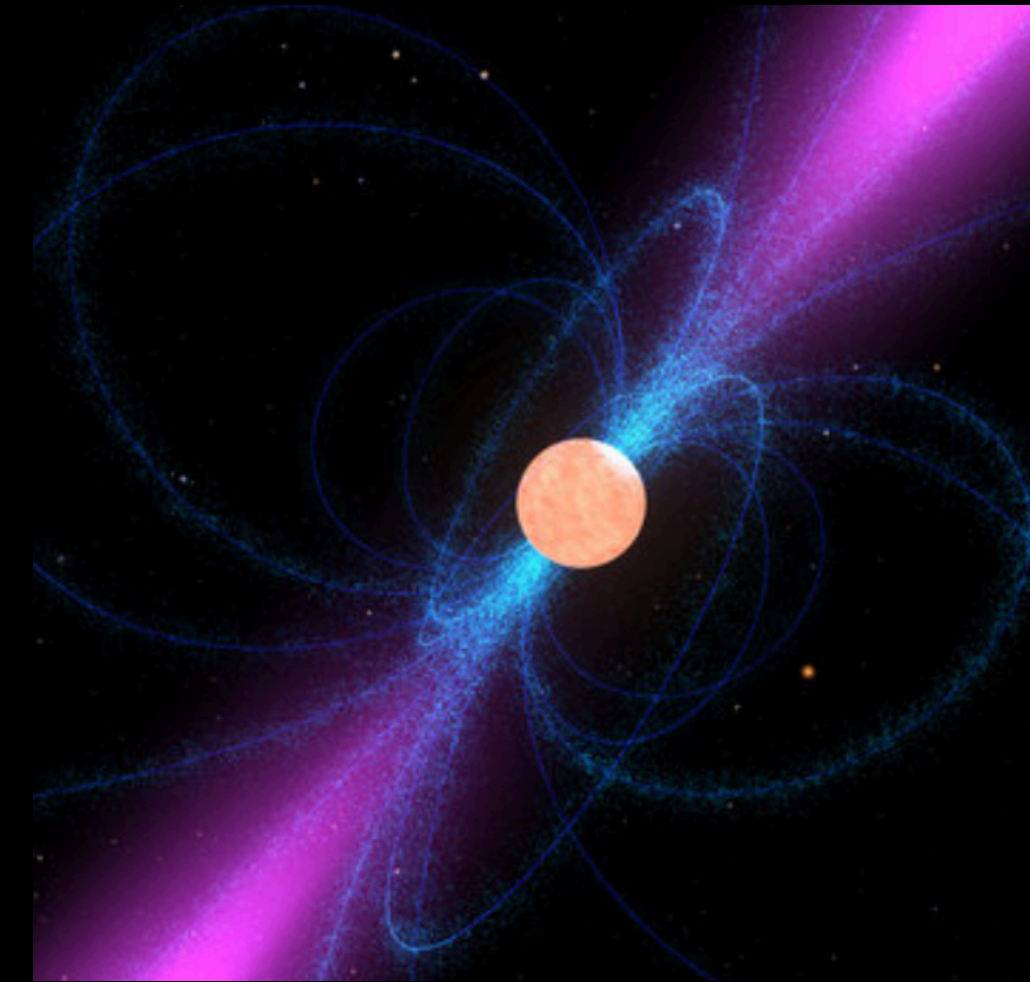
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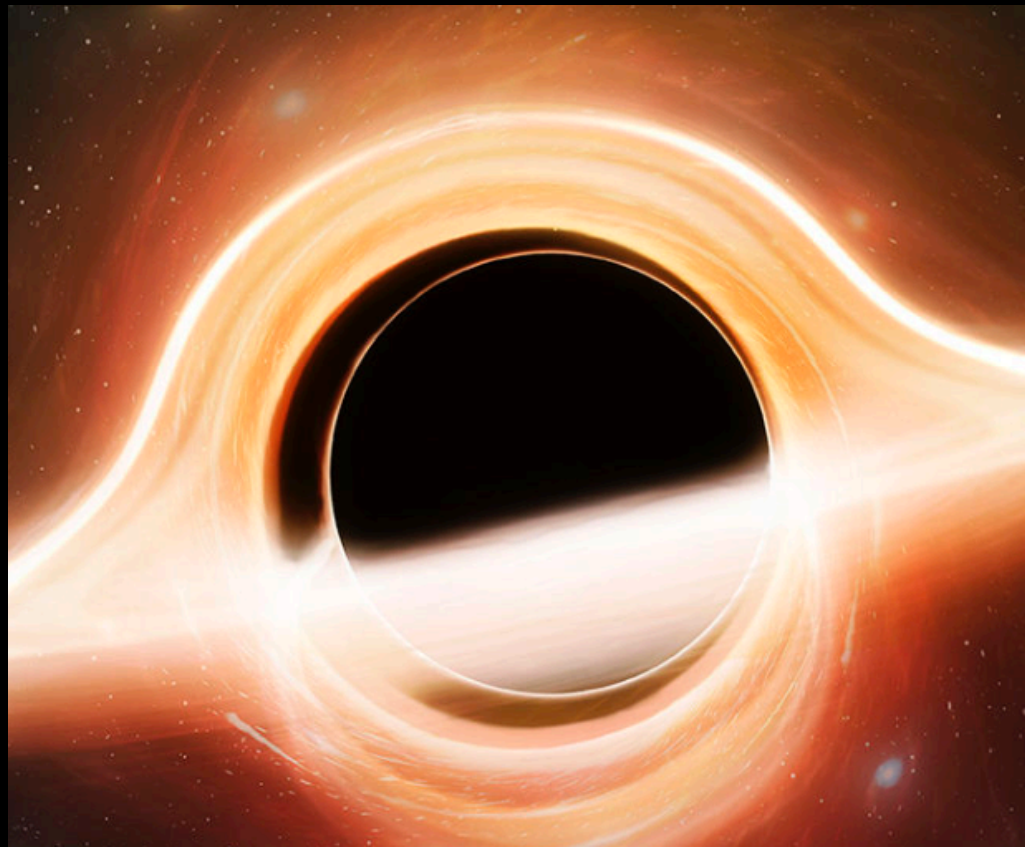


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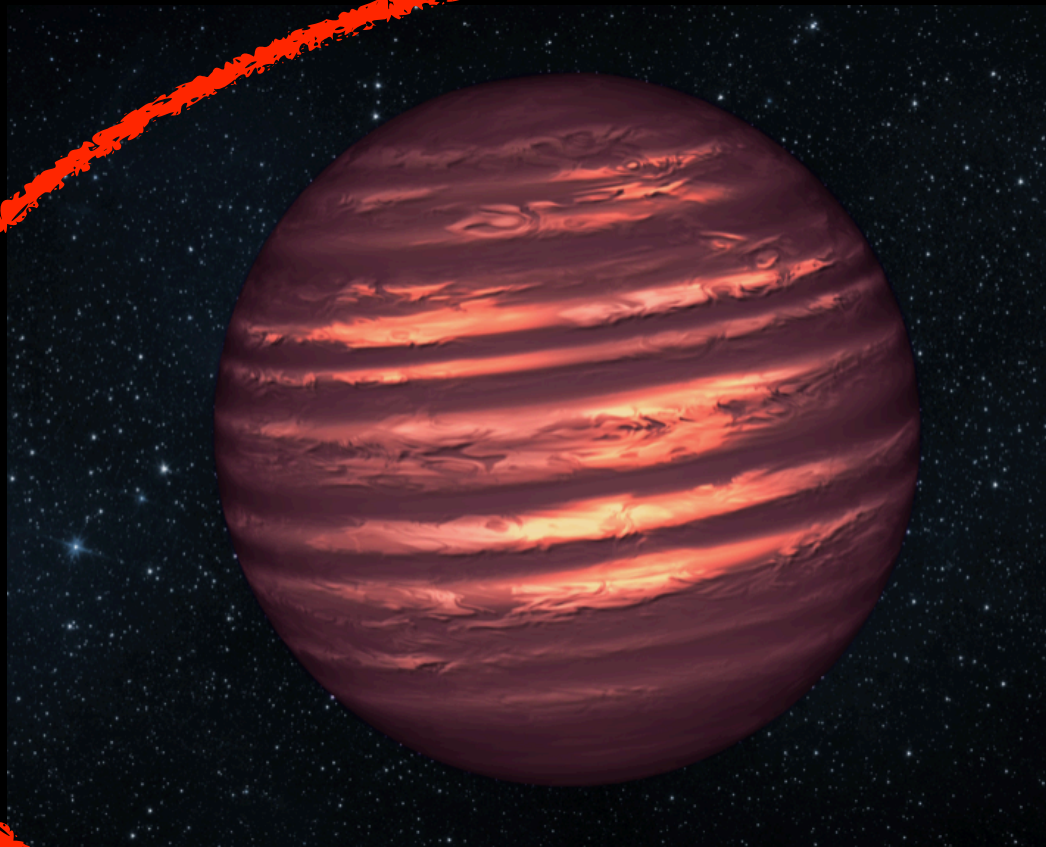


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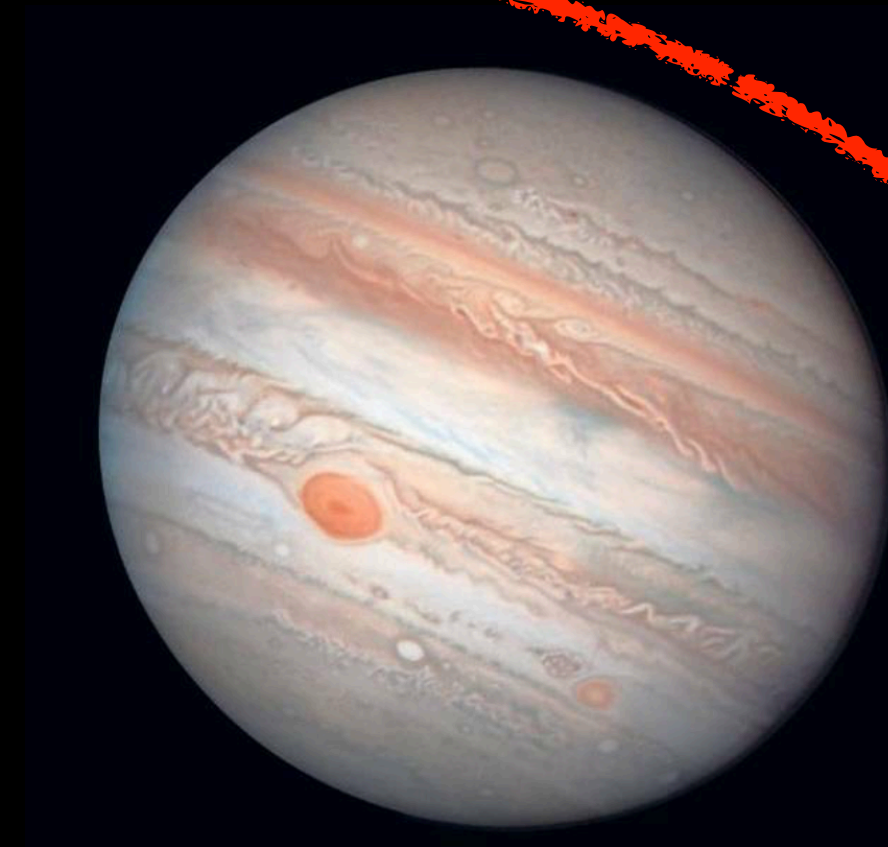
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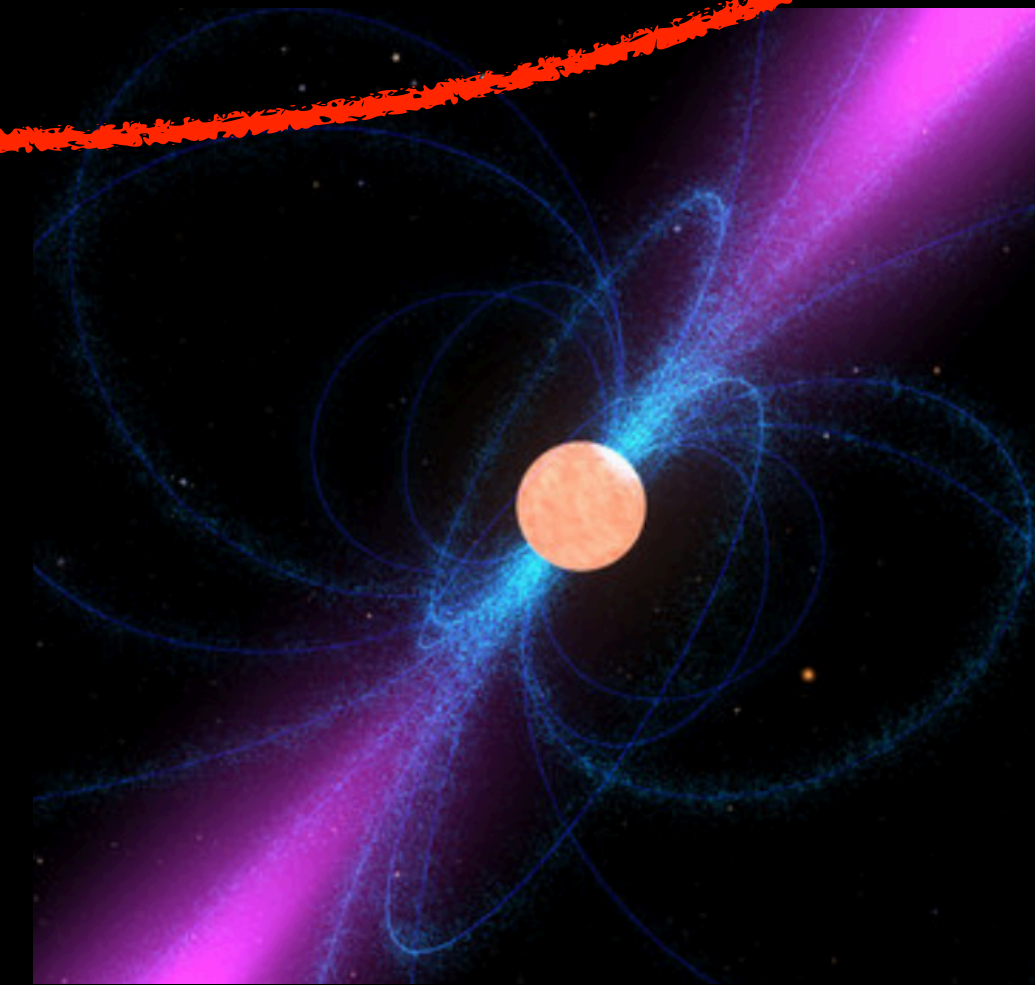
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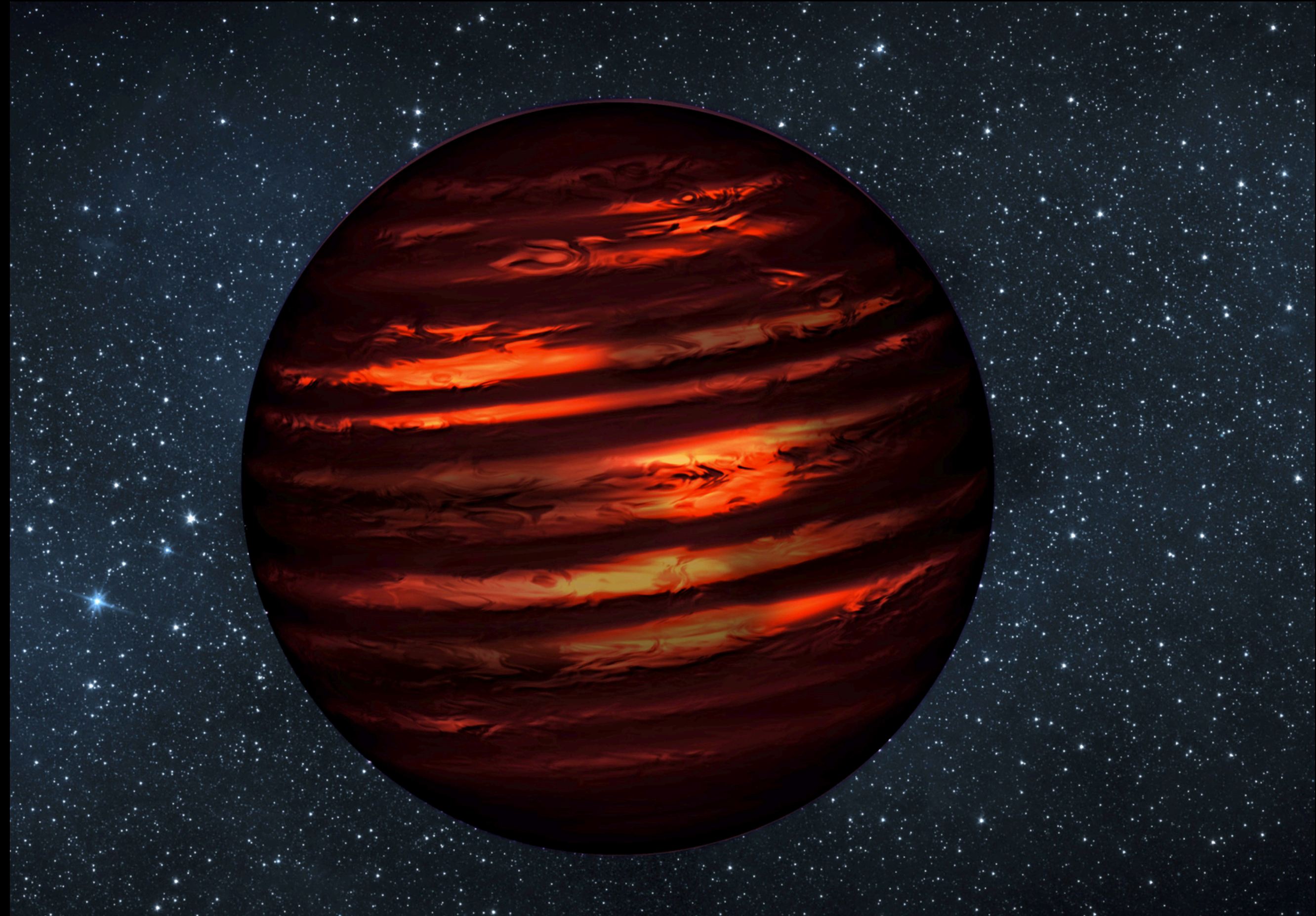


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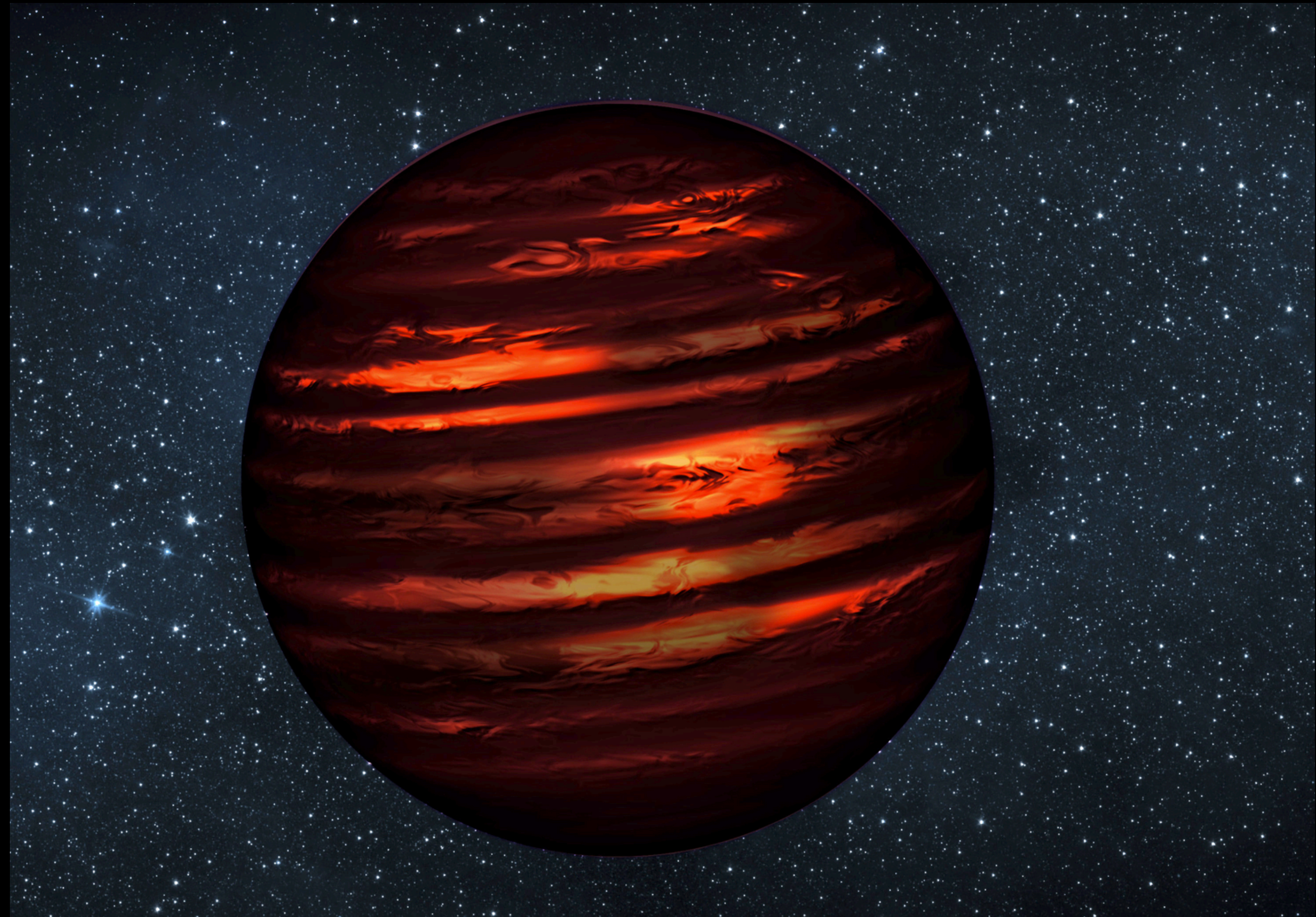
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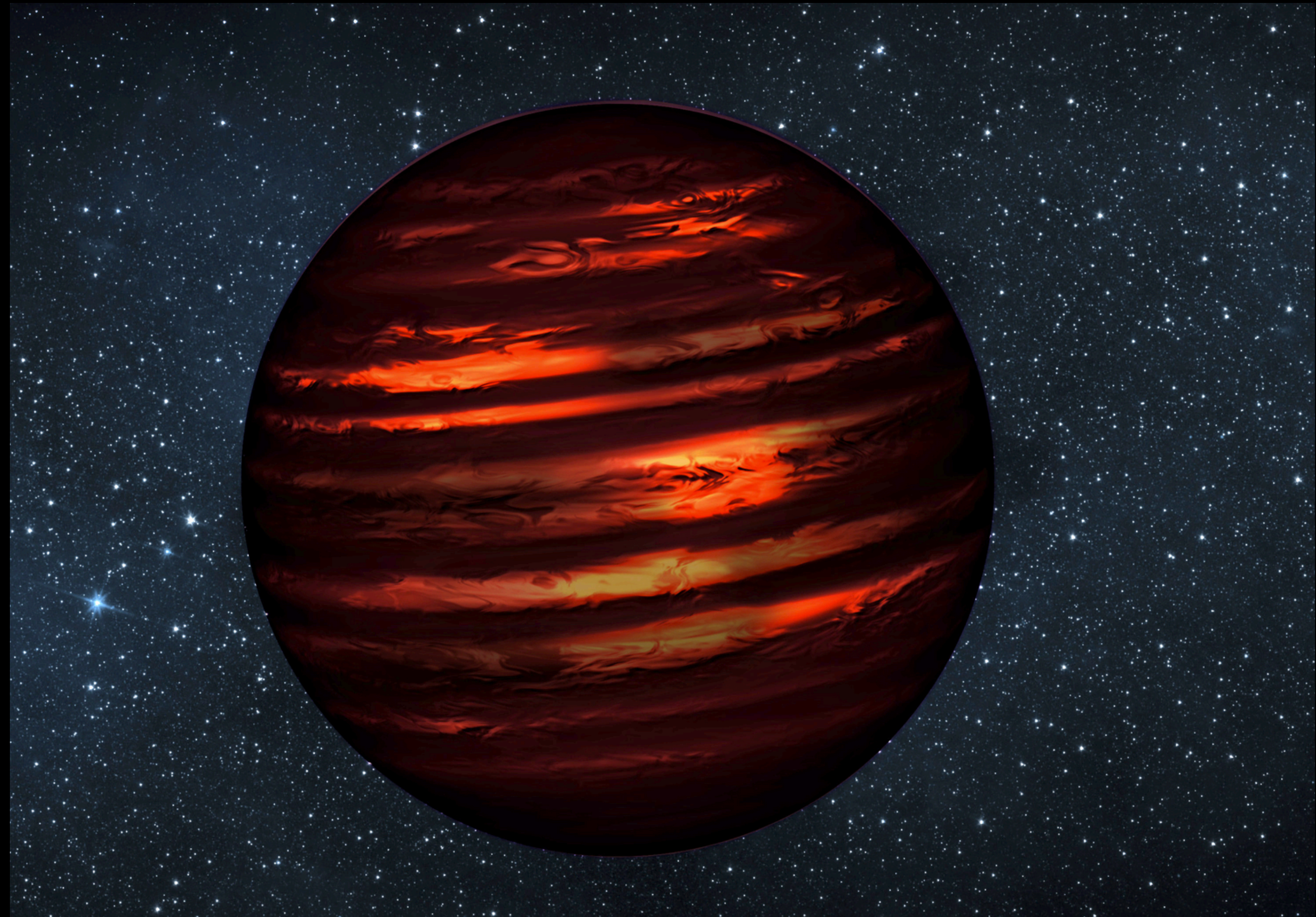
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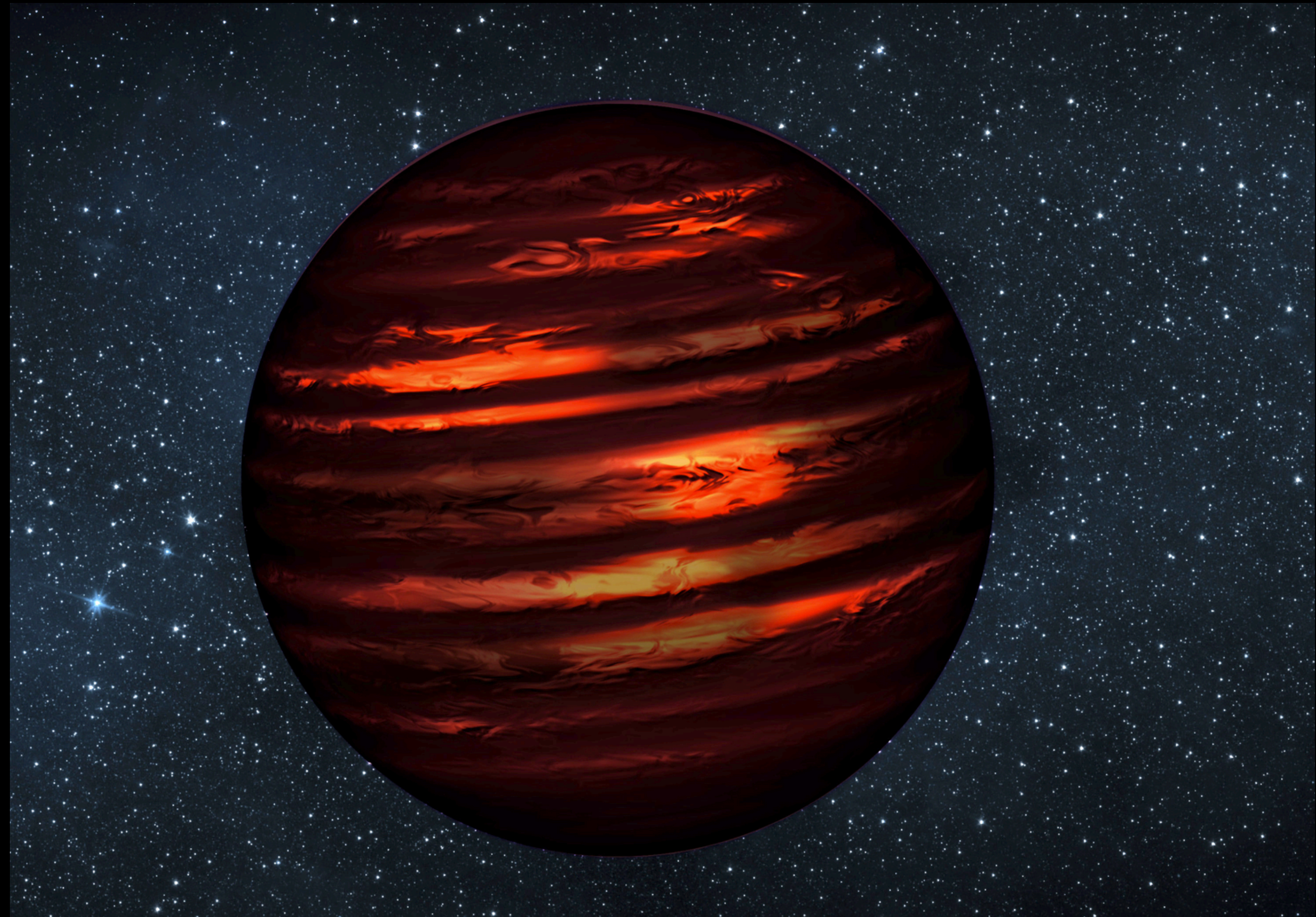
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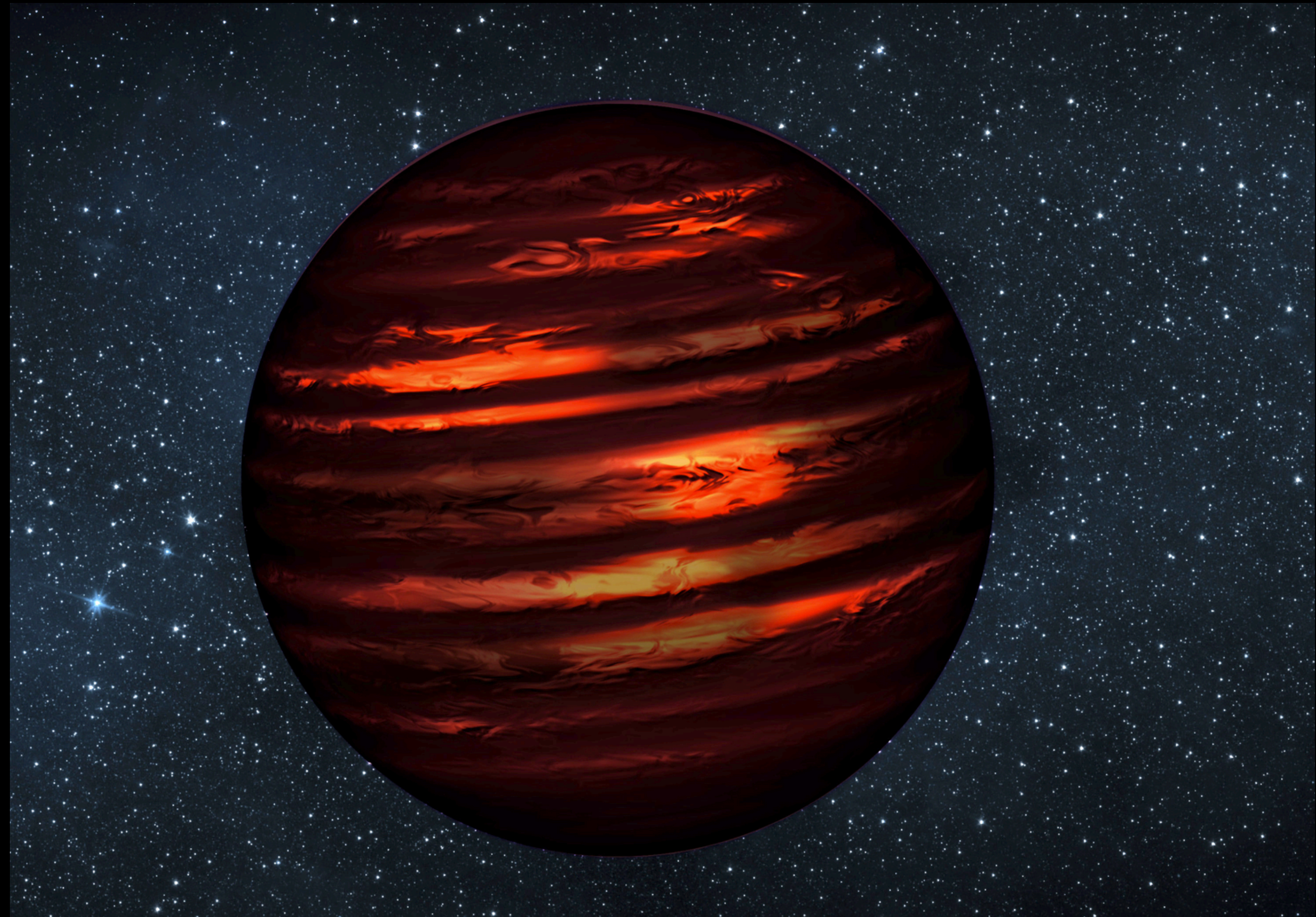
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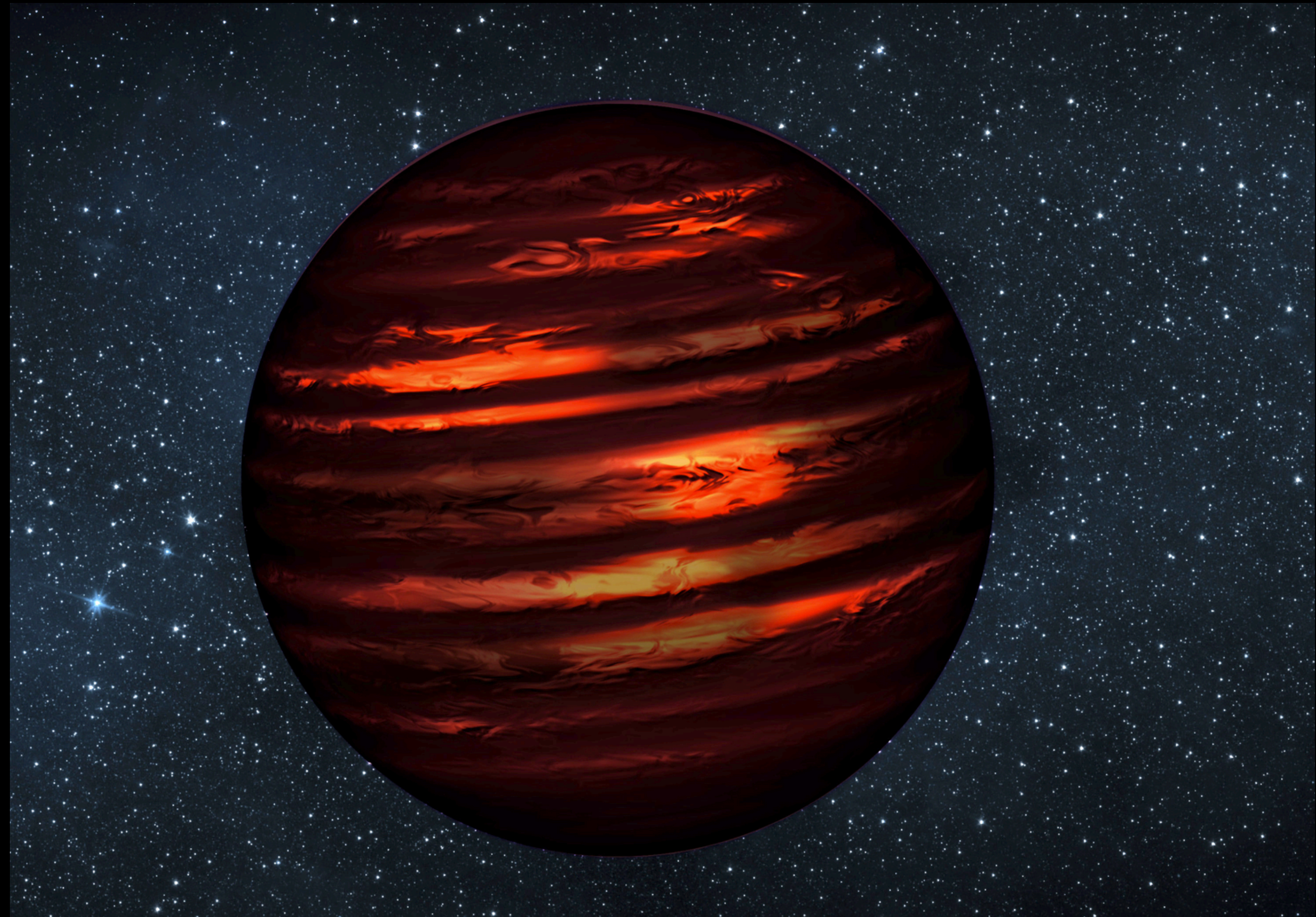
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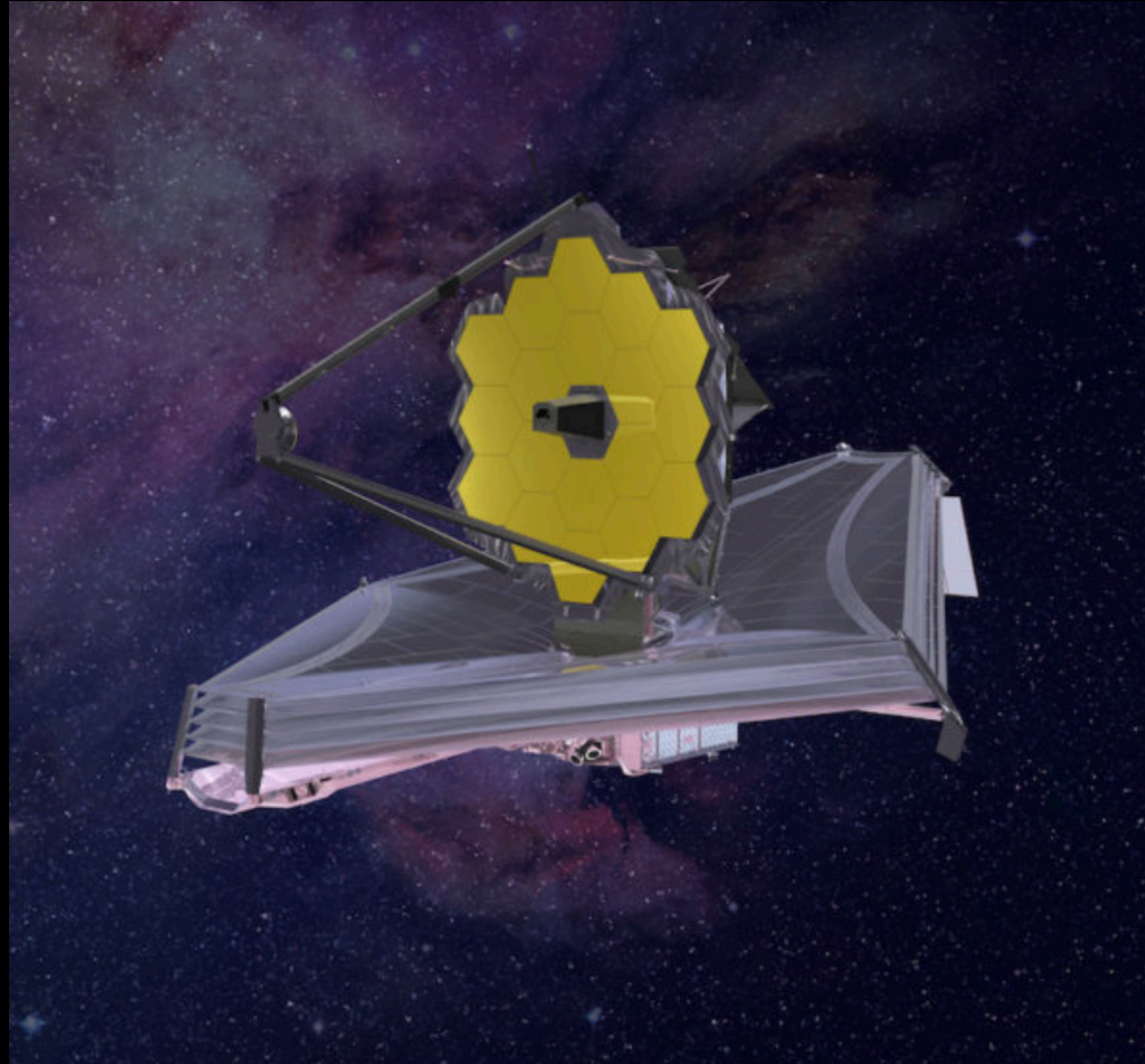


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JWST 2022 and Roman 2026

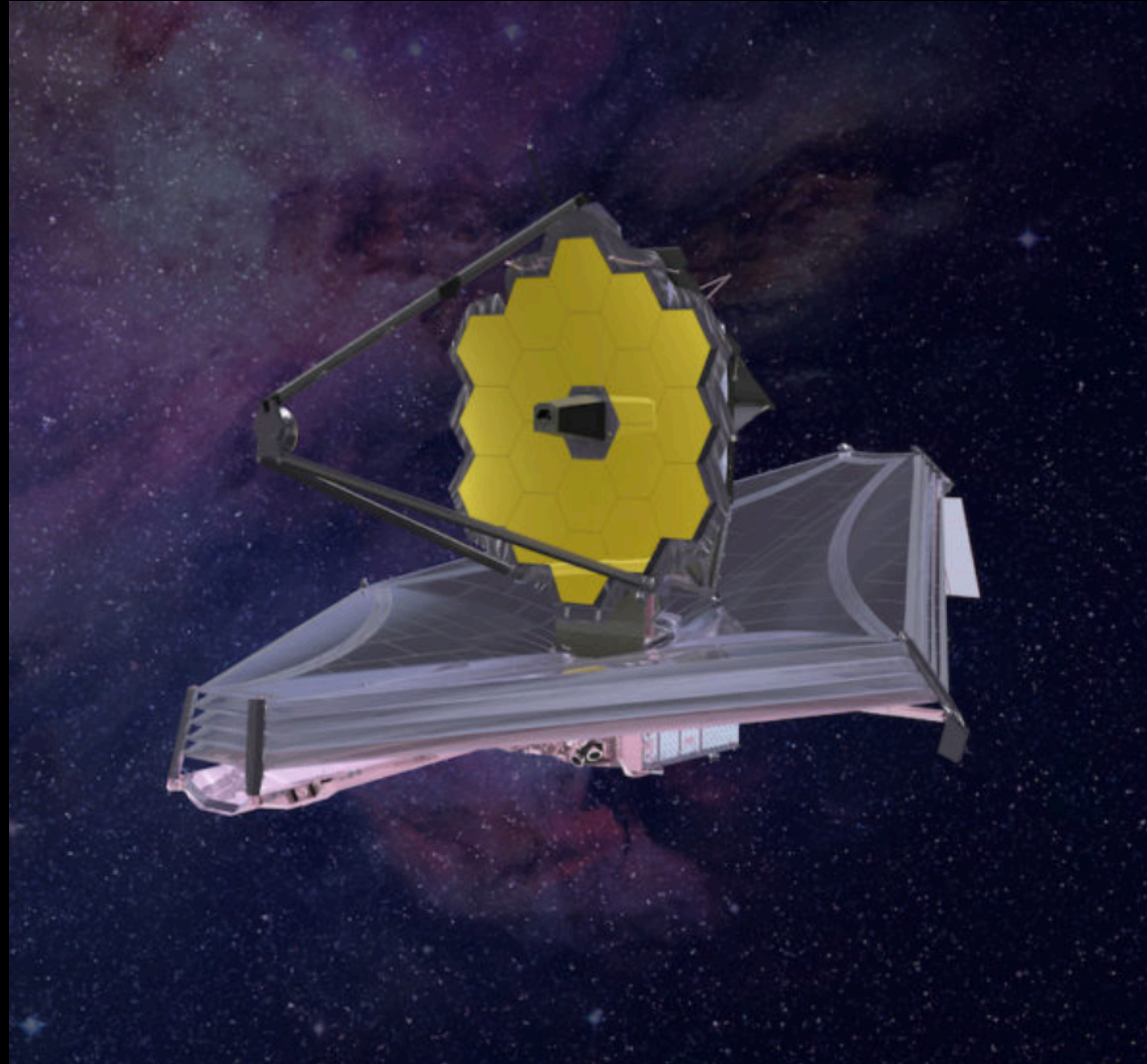


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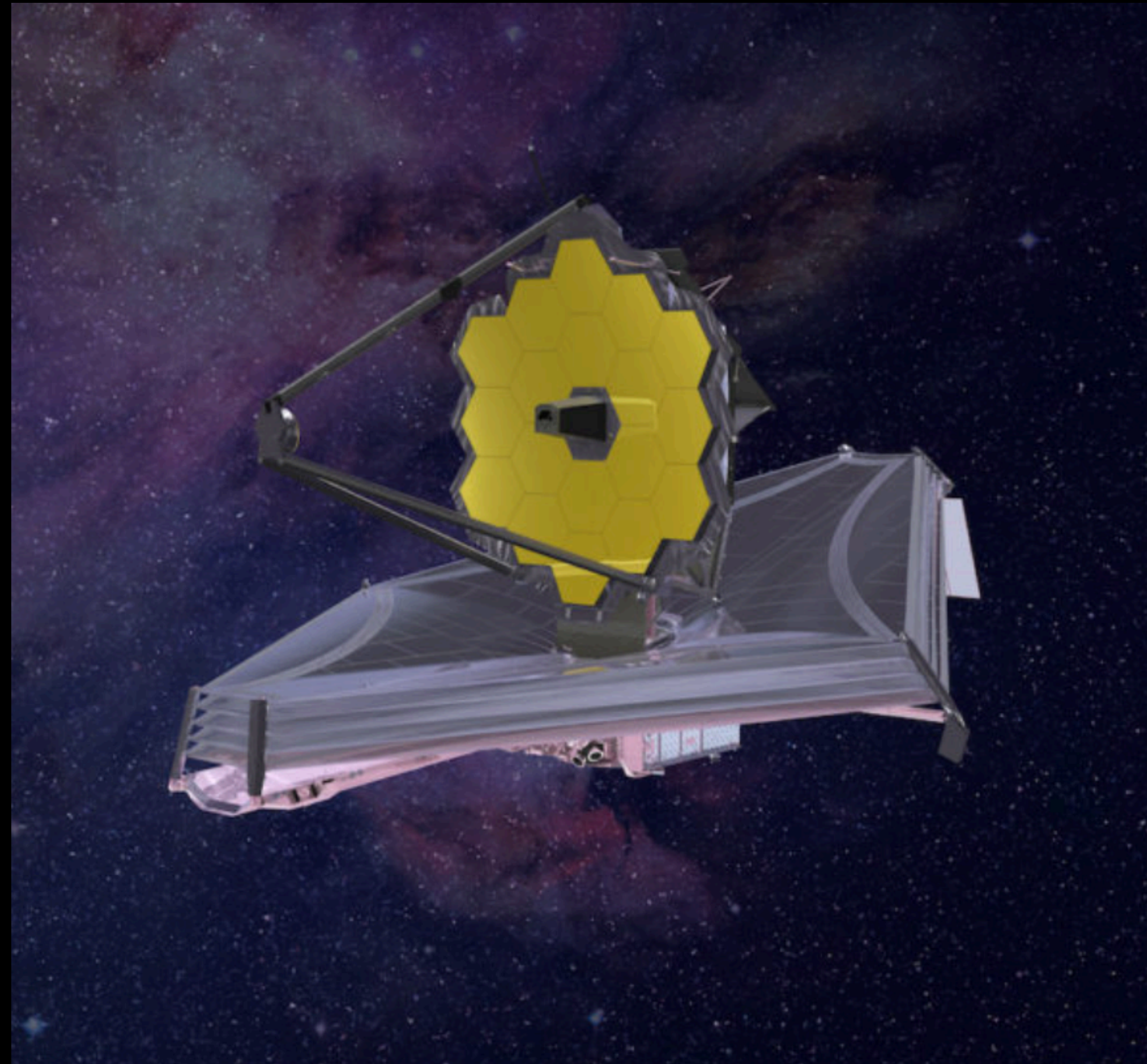
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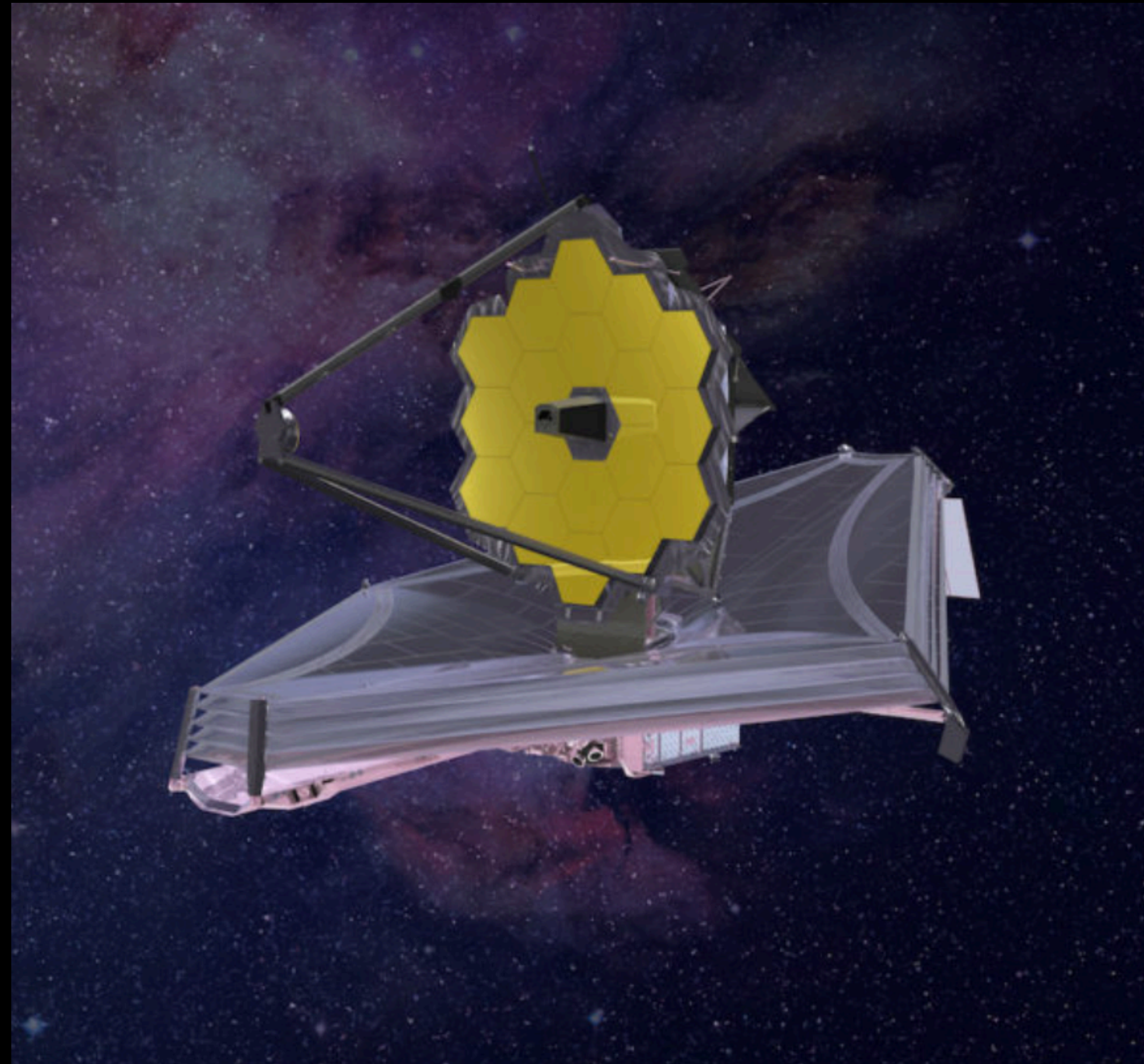
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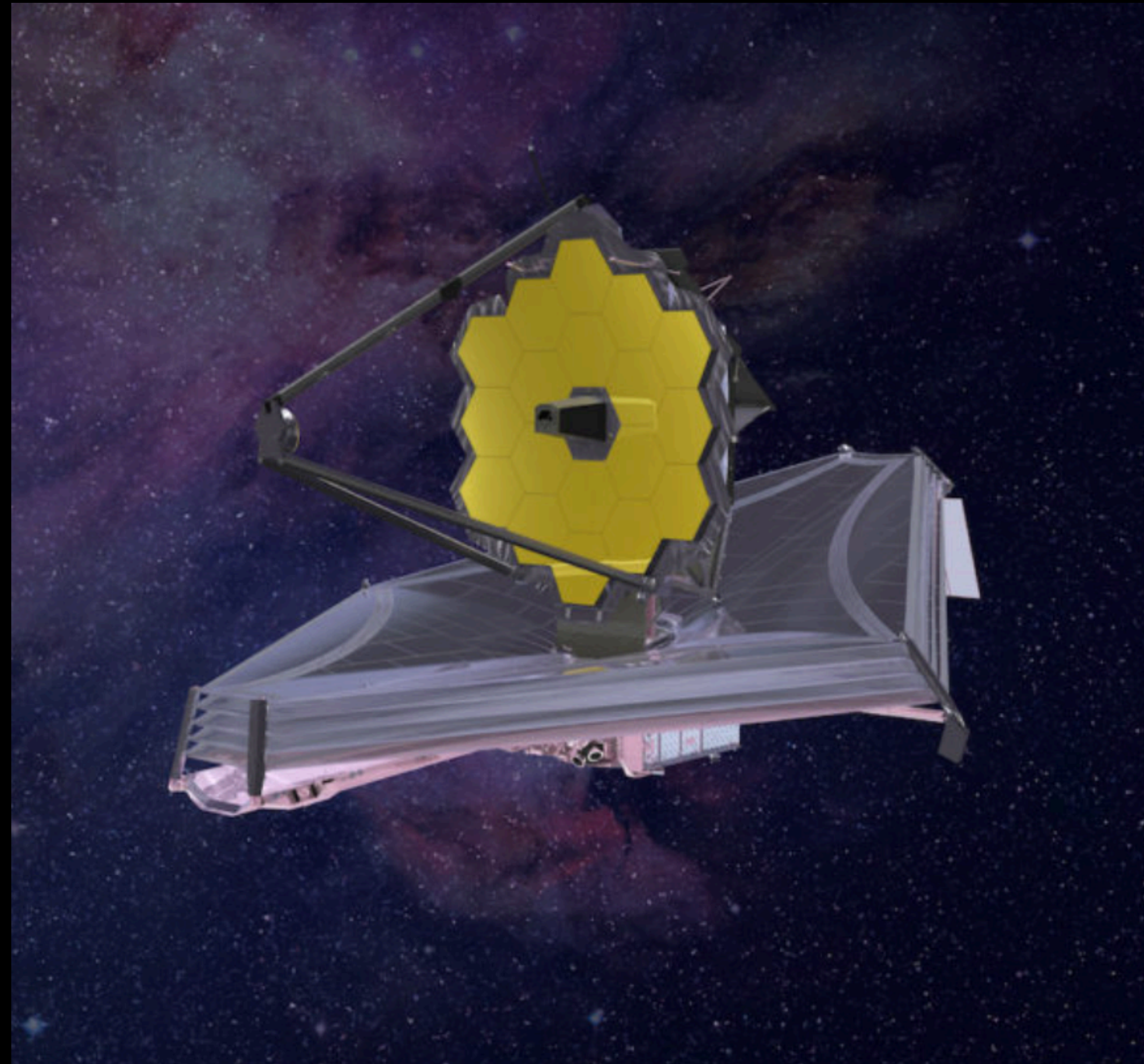
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Dark Matter Heating

Conditions for Heating: Capture



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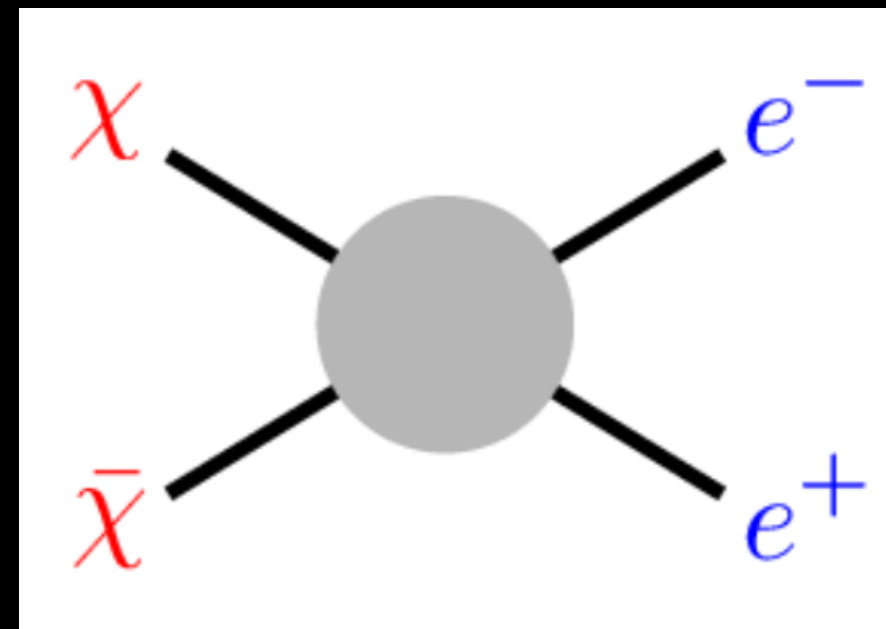
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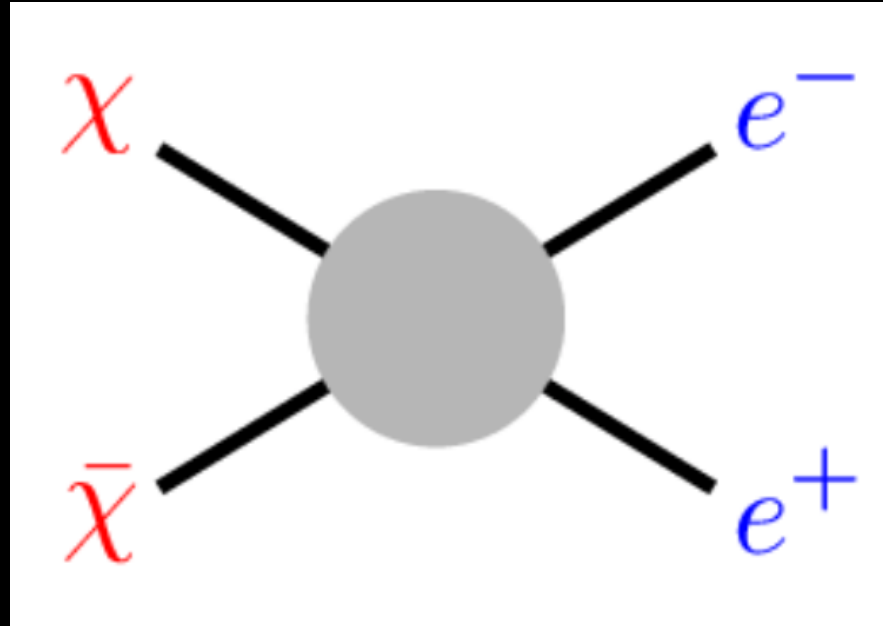
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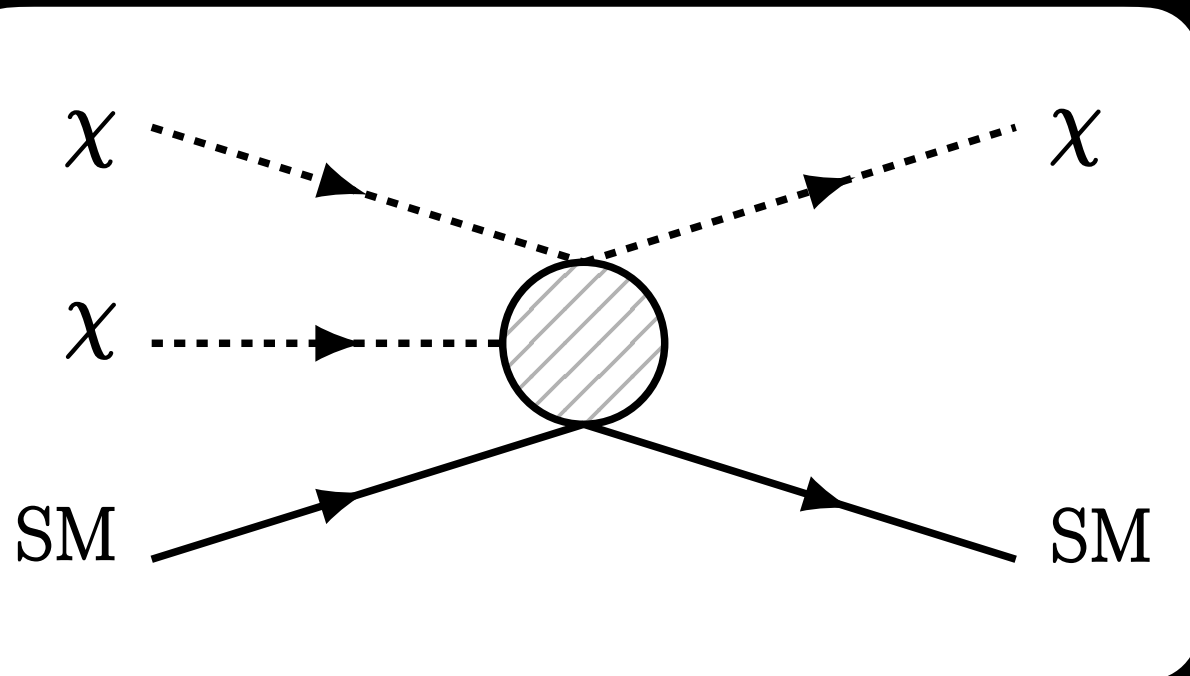
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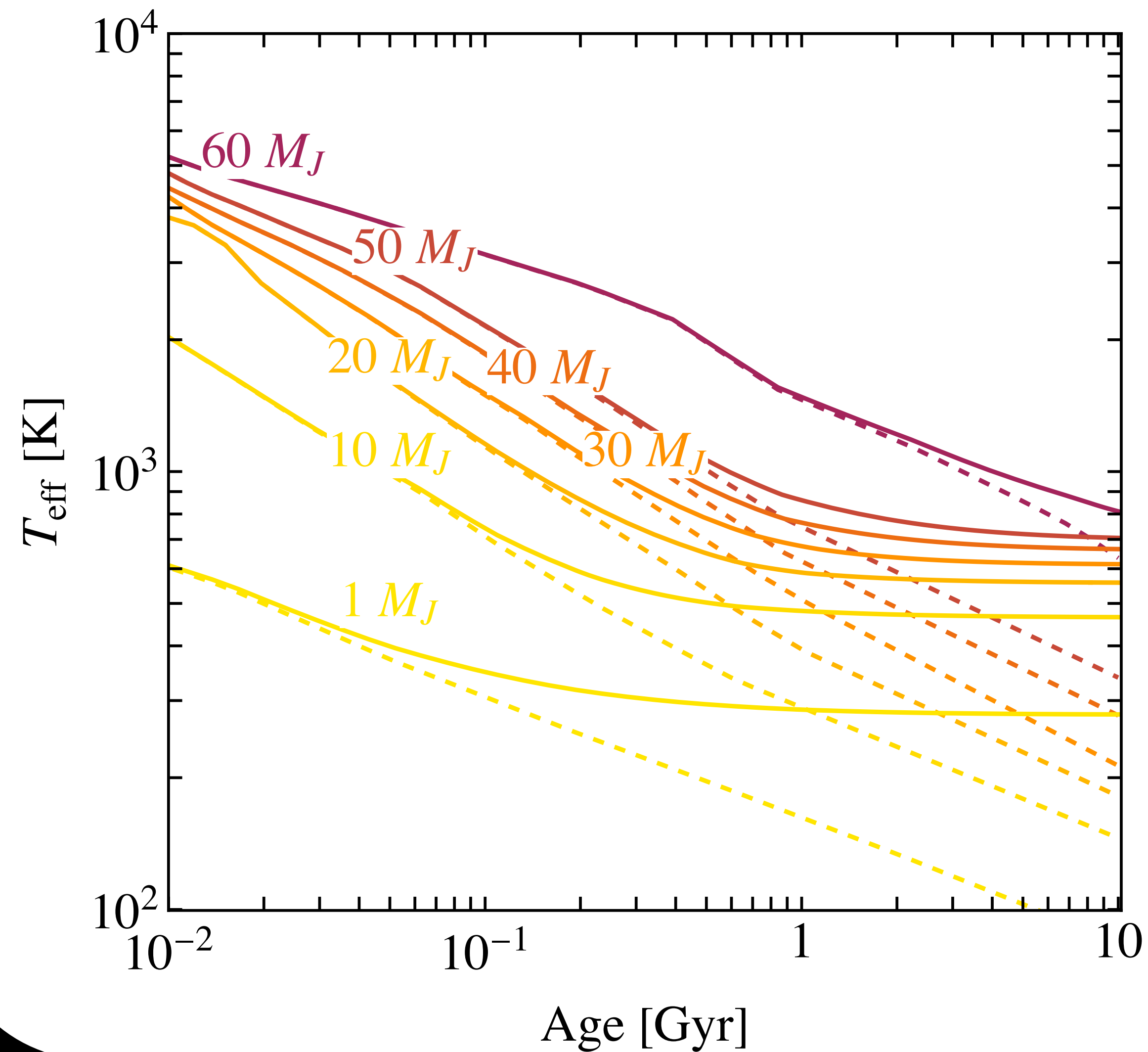
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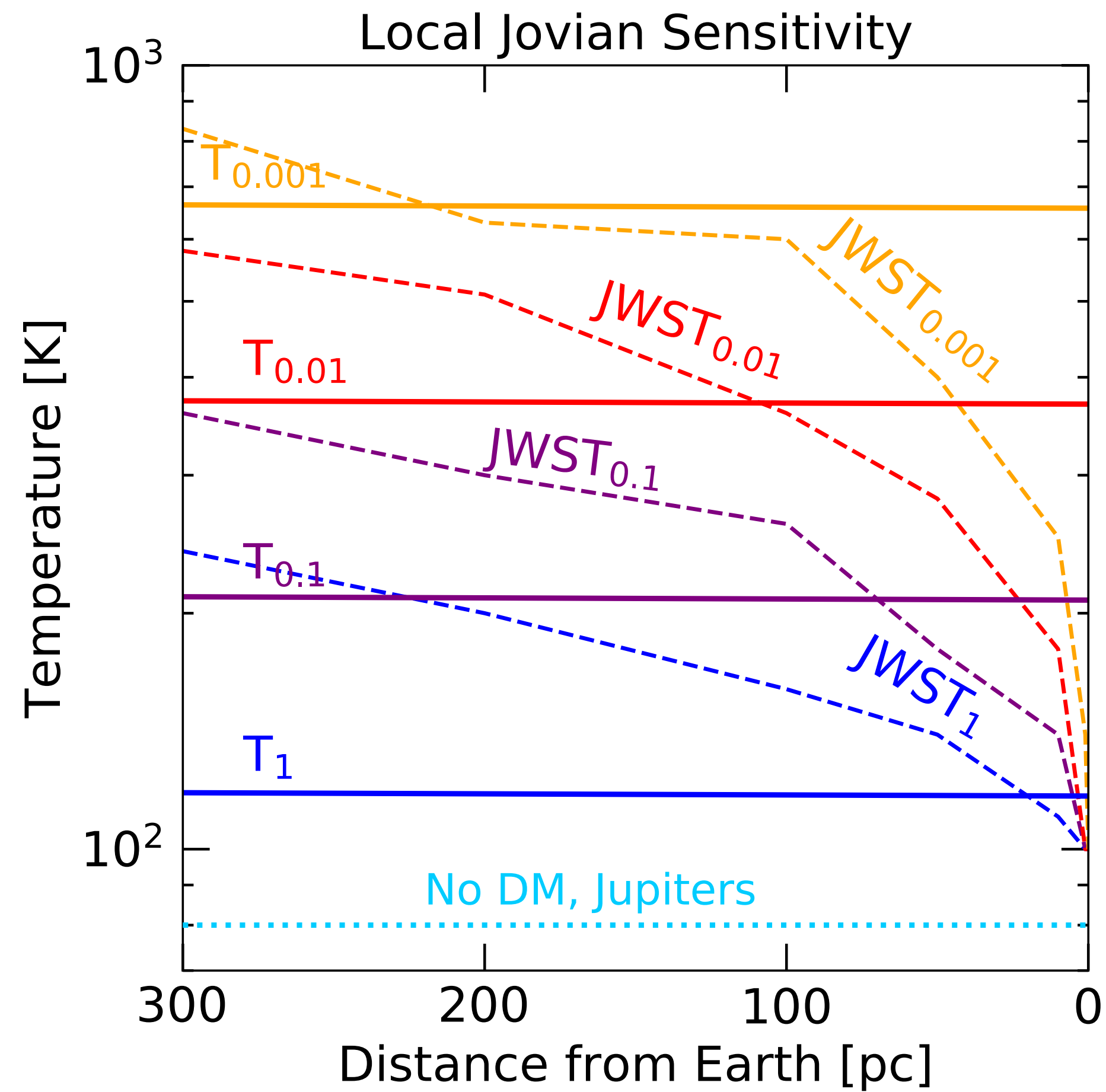
Temperature Evolution



Search Strategies

1: In our Neighborhood

Local Search



arXiv: 2010.00015; R. K. Leane (Stanford), **J. Smirnov**

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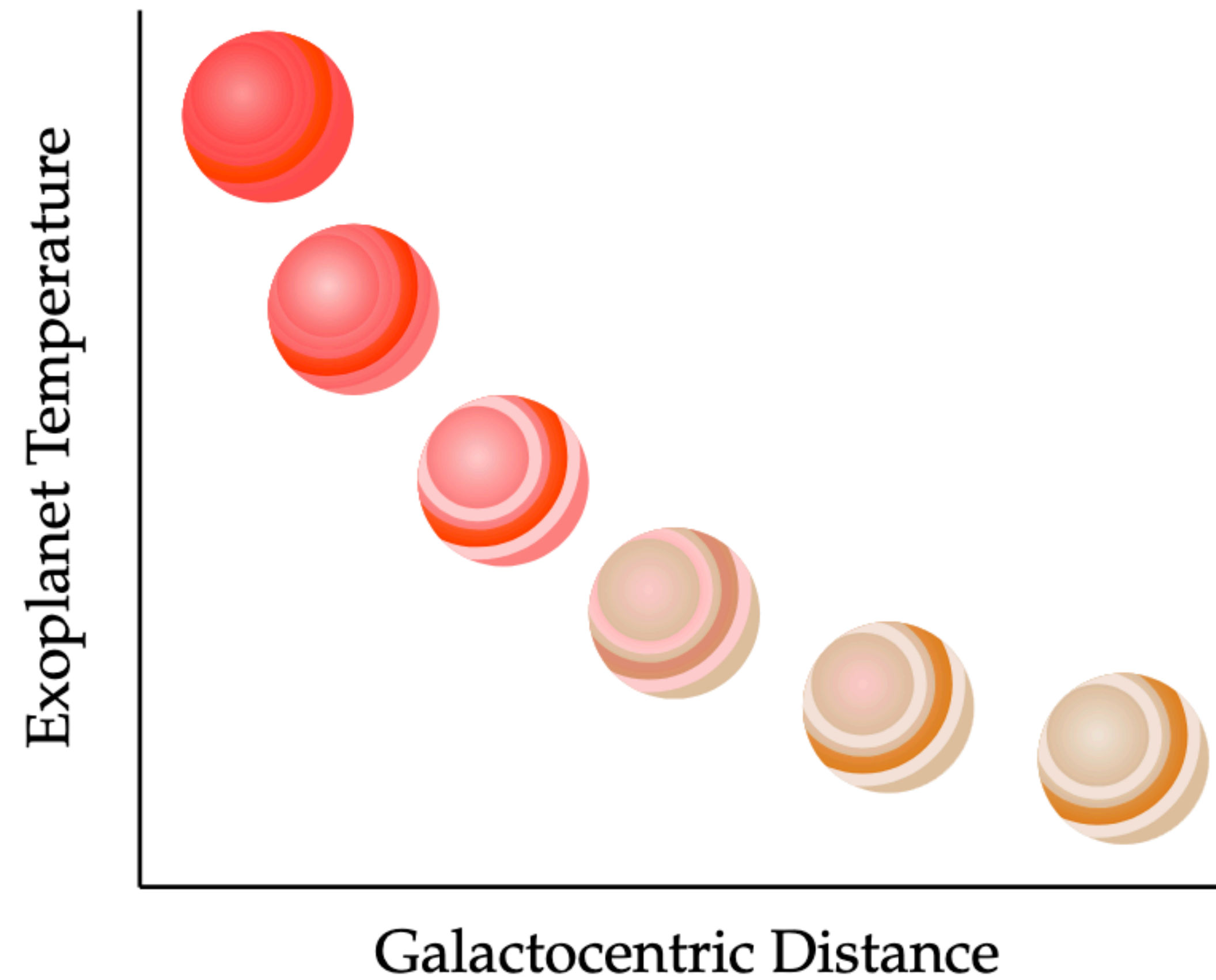
Expected w/o heating: $F \approx 4 \text{ Watt}/m^2$

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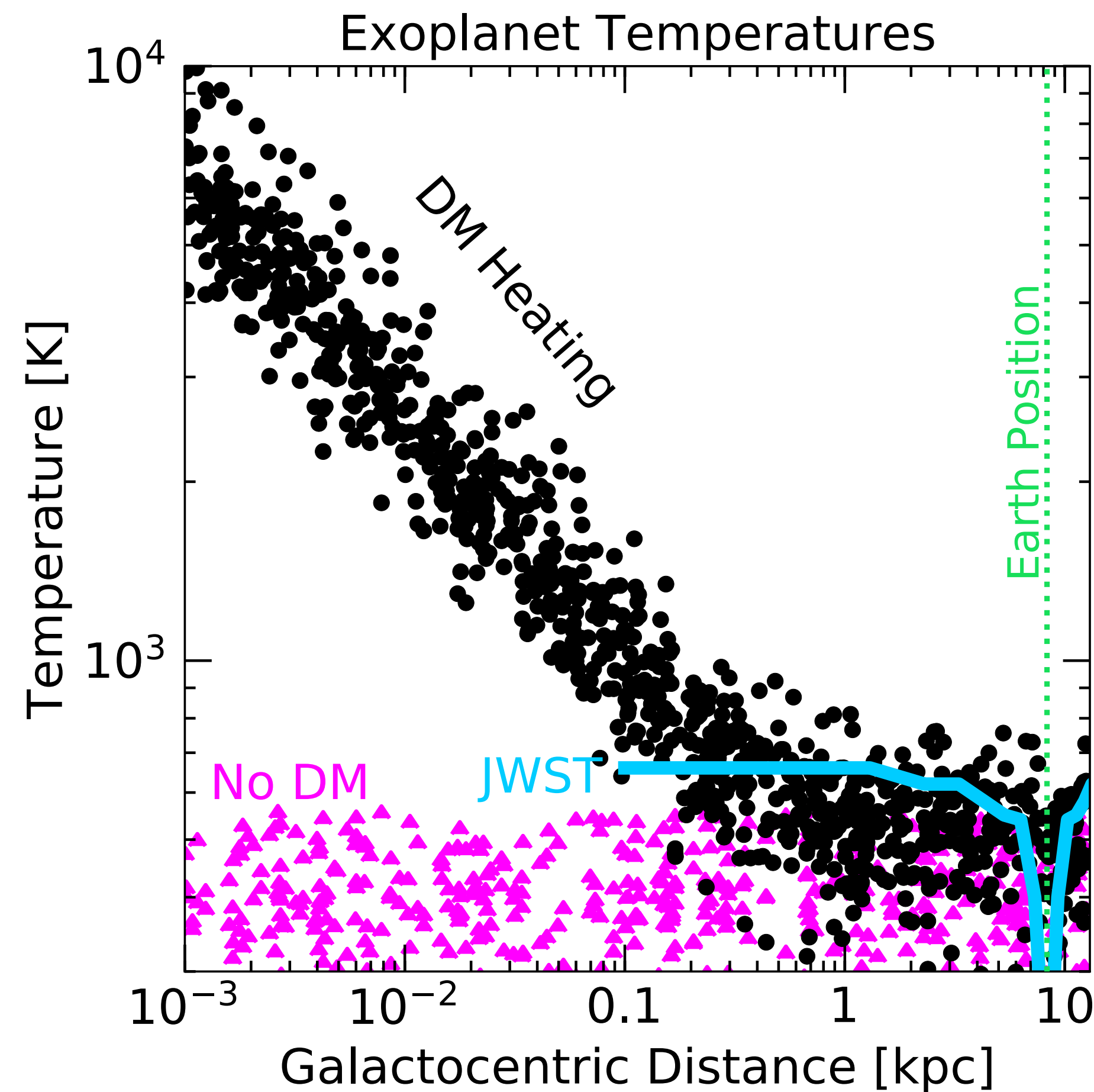
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2: In our Galaxy, but far, far away

A Position Dependent Signal

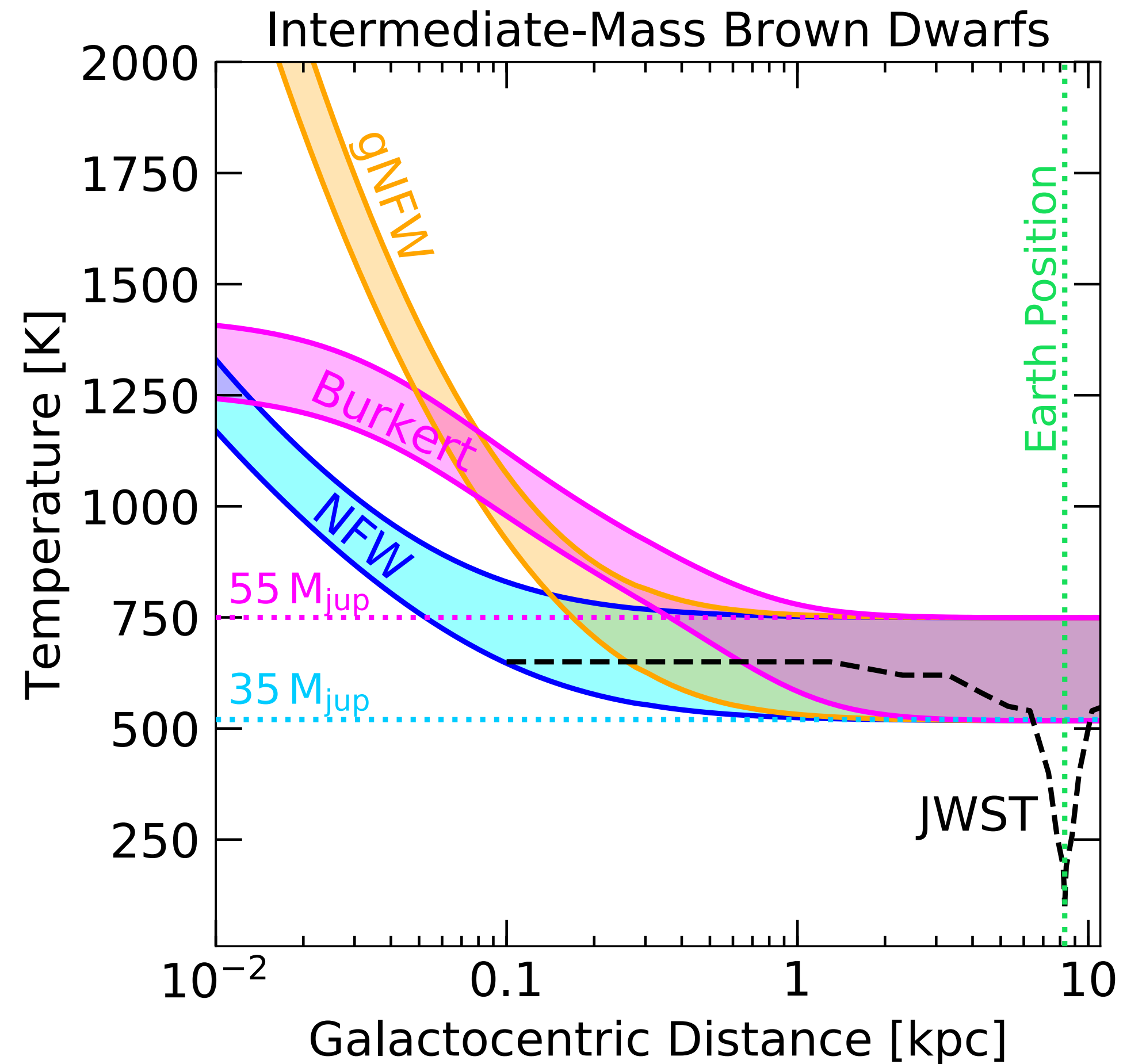


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DM Profile Dependence



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Search Limitations

Interstellar Dust

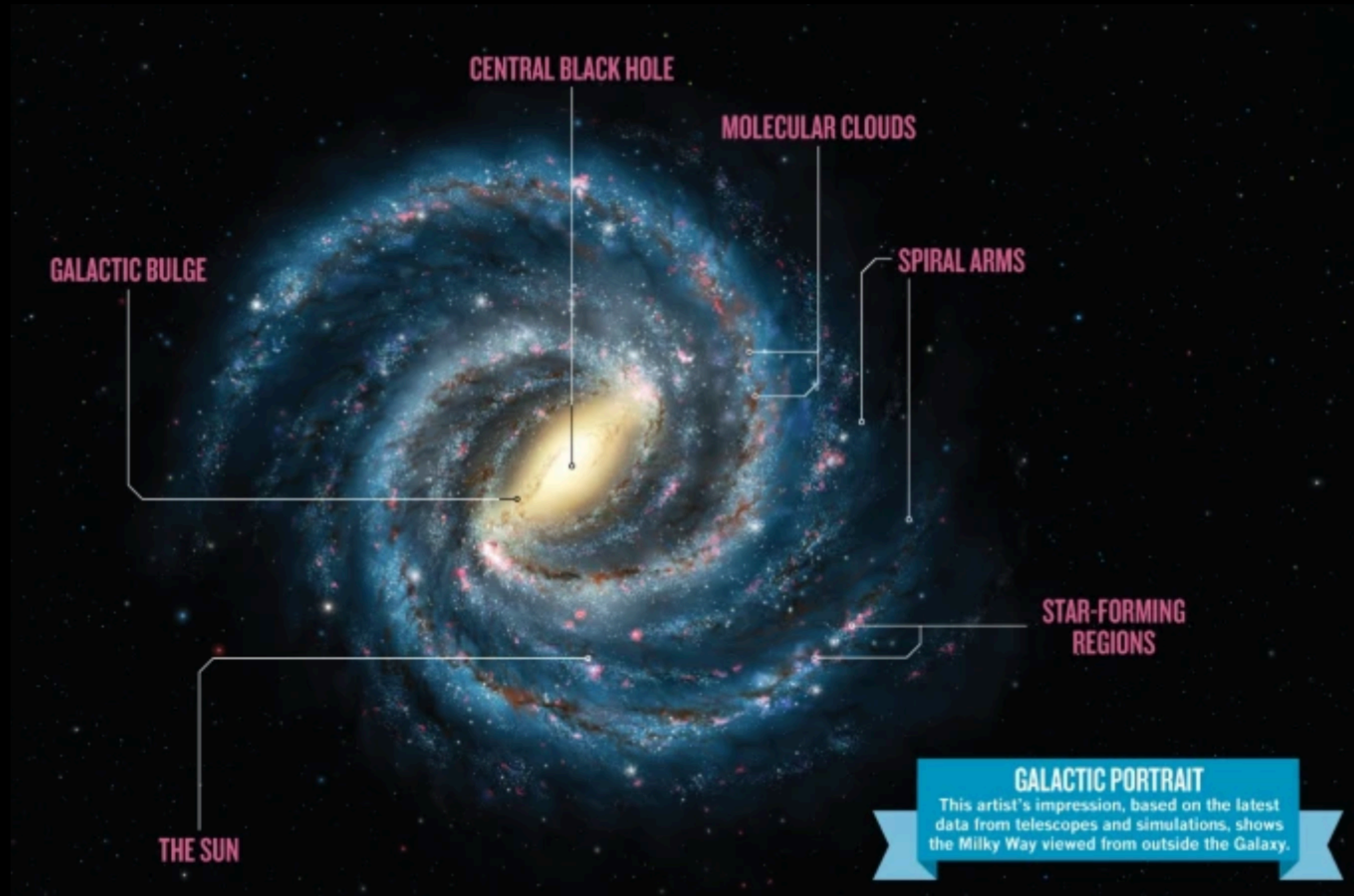


Stars per Pixel

at 1° off the Galactic Plane i.e. 0.1 kpc from GC:
JWST: 20% populated pixels

Extracting DM Halo Parameters

Modeling Our Galaxy



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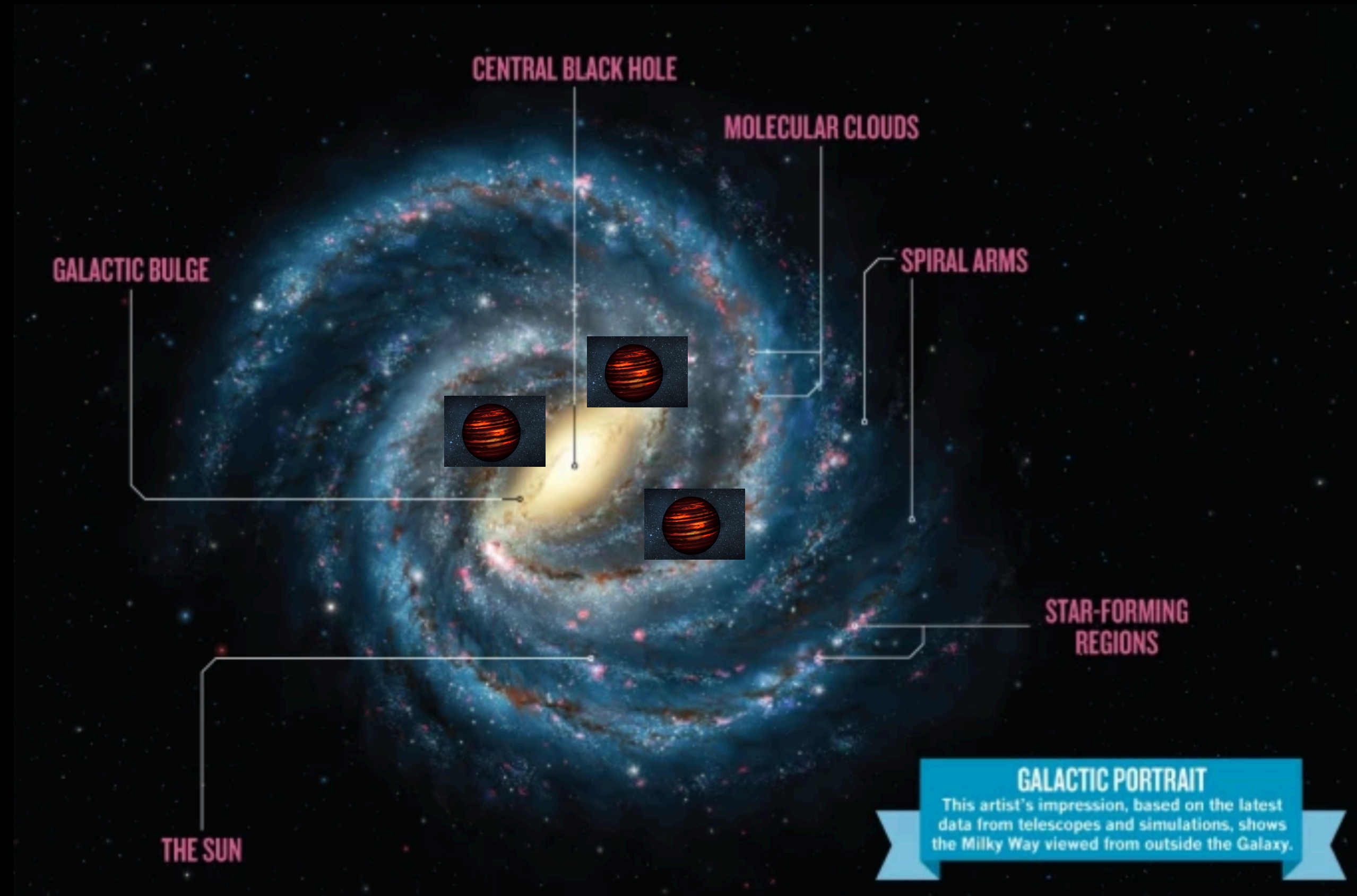
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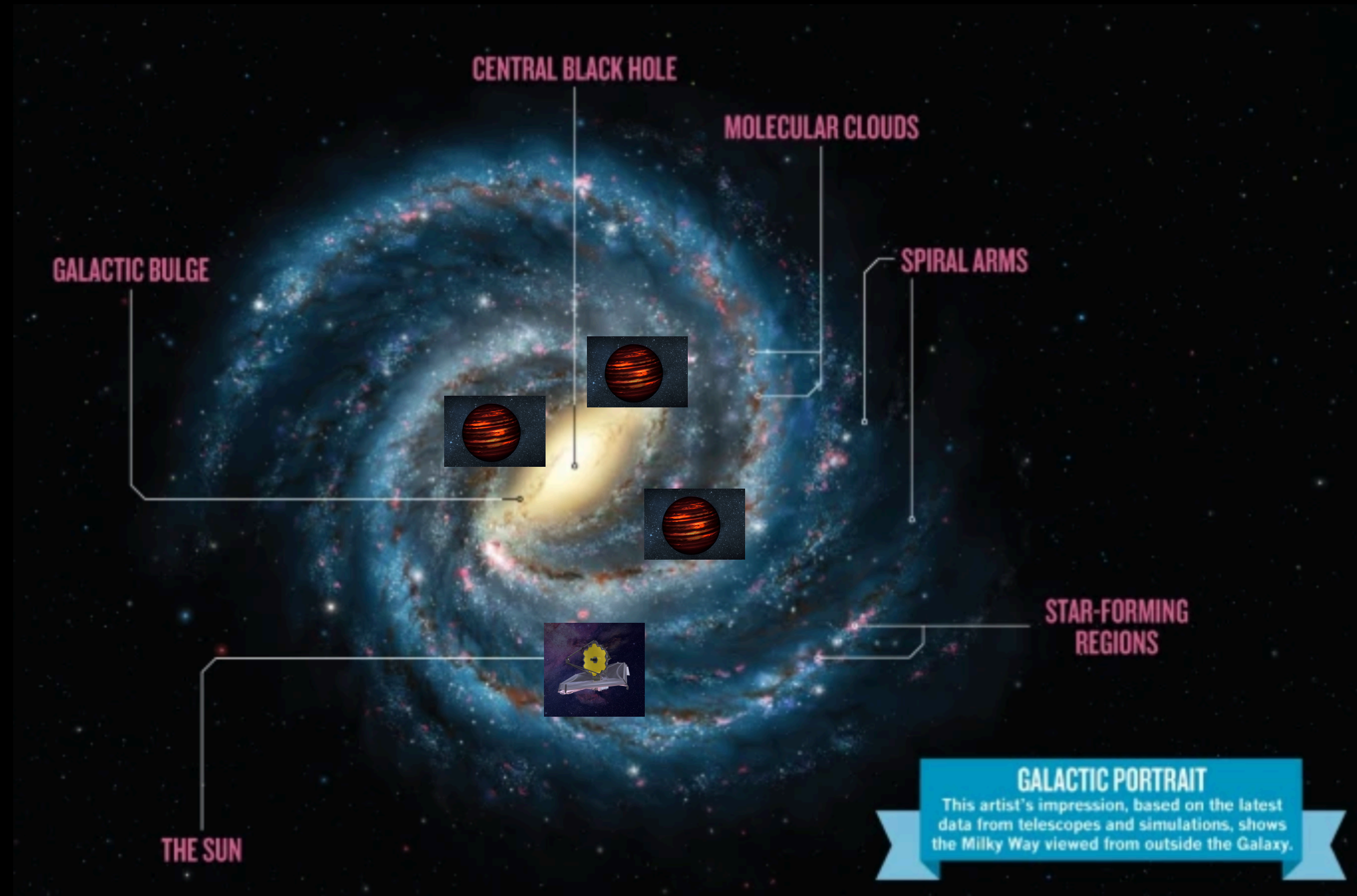
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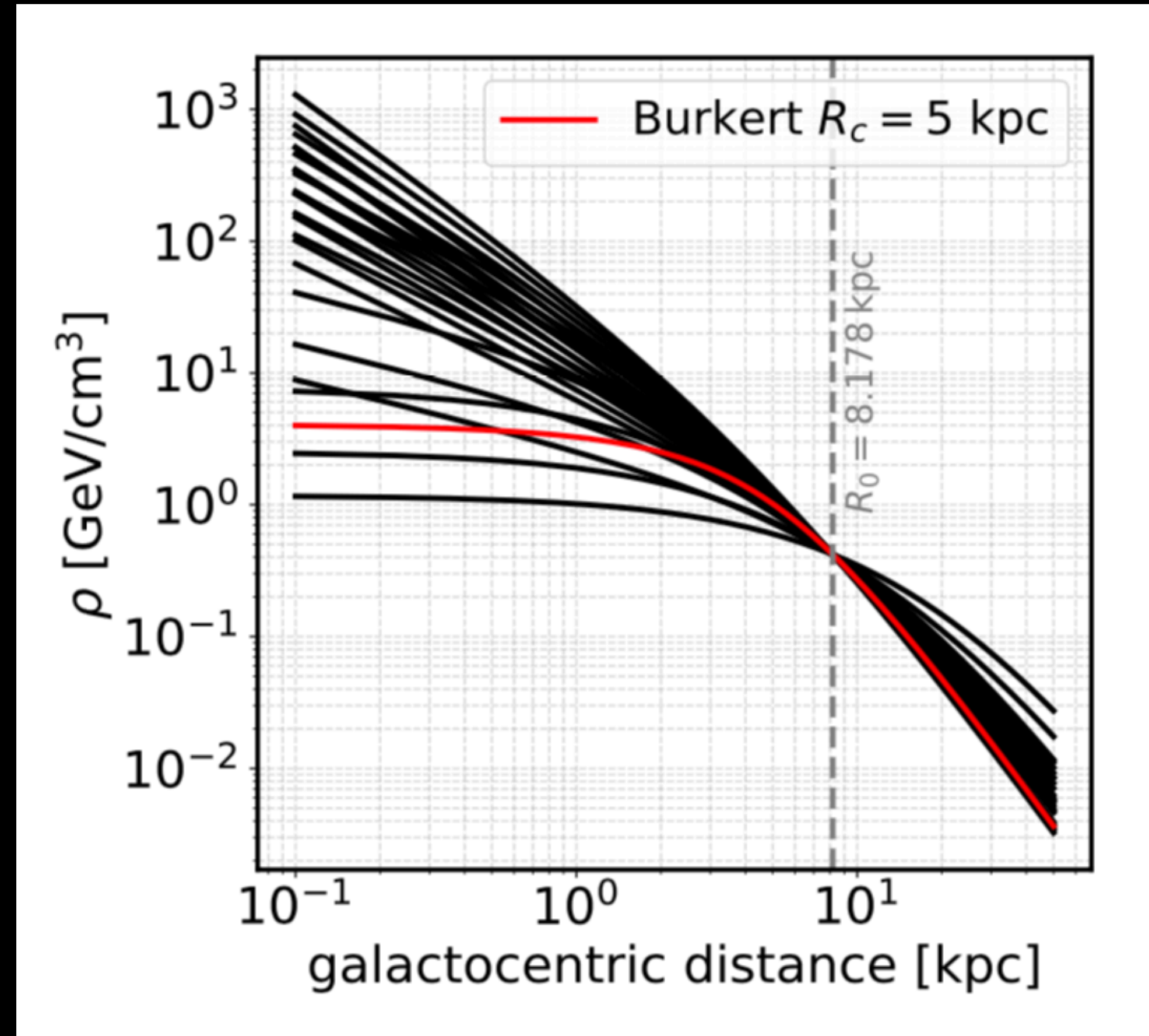
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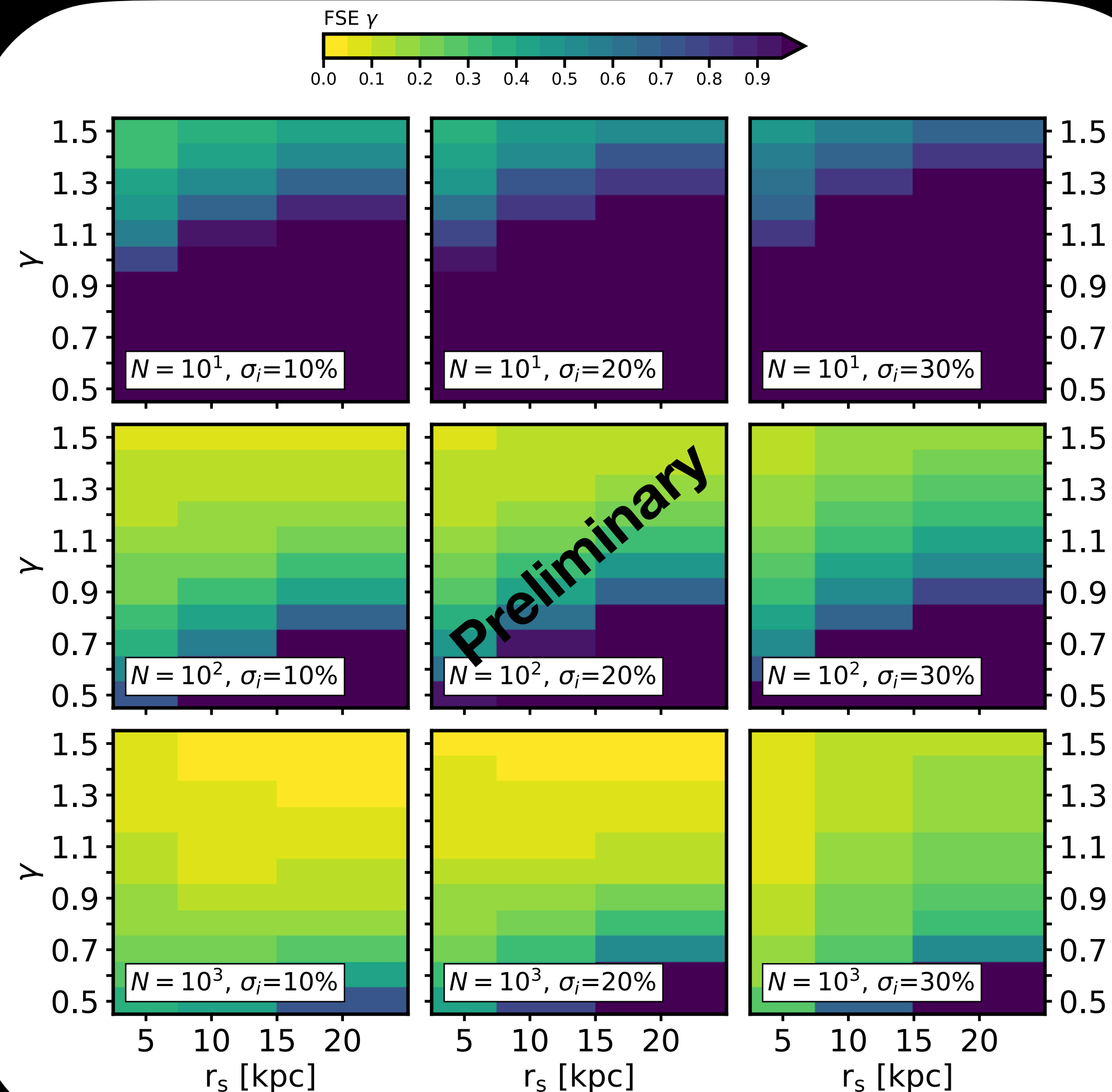
Add DM Profile

$$\rho_{\text{DM}}(r; \gamma, r_s, \rho_0) = \rho_0 \left(\frac{R_0}{r} \right)^\gamma \left(\frac{r_s + R_0}{r_s + r} \right)^{3-\gamma}$$



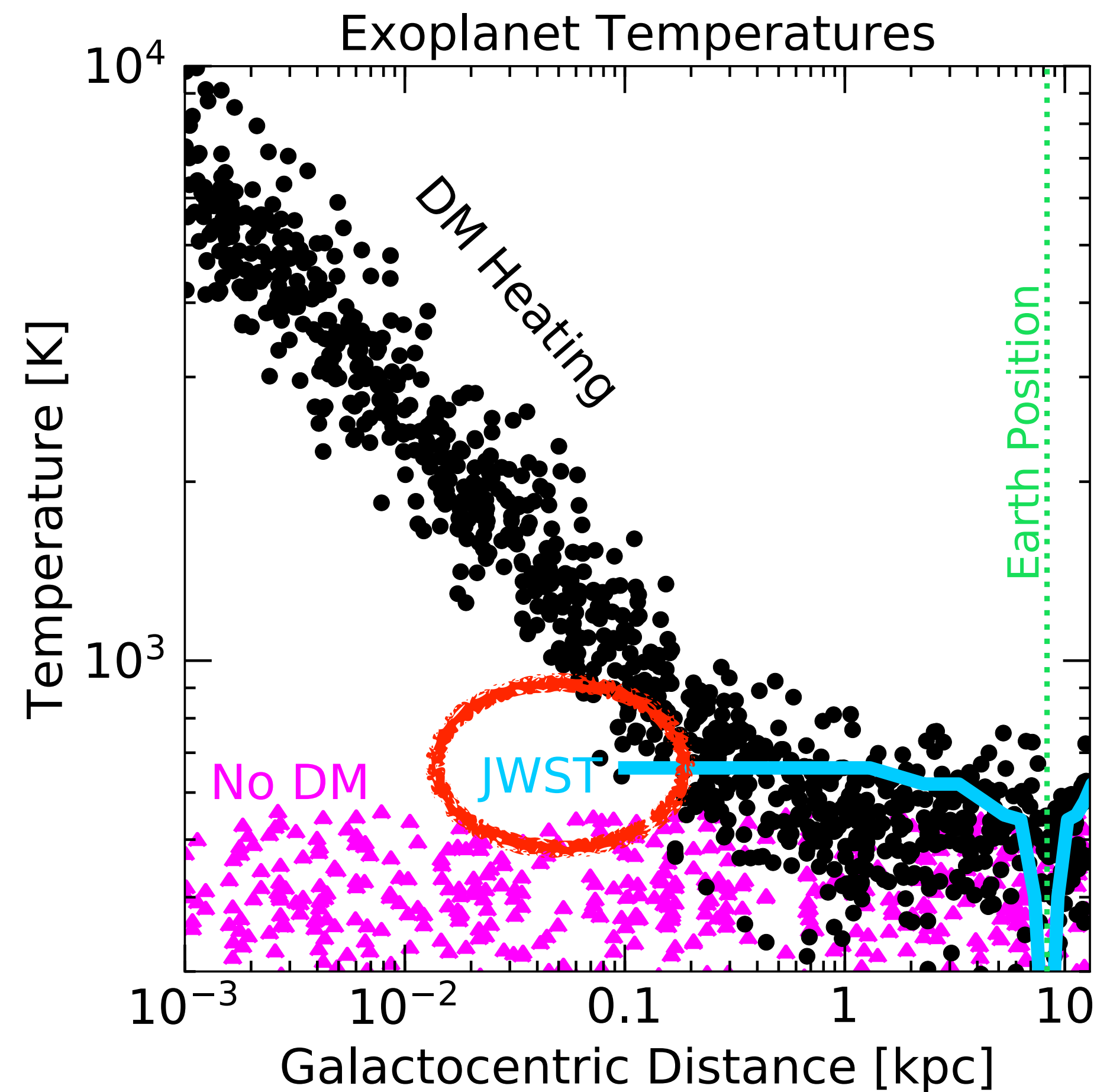
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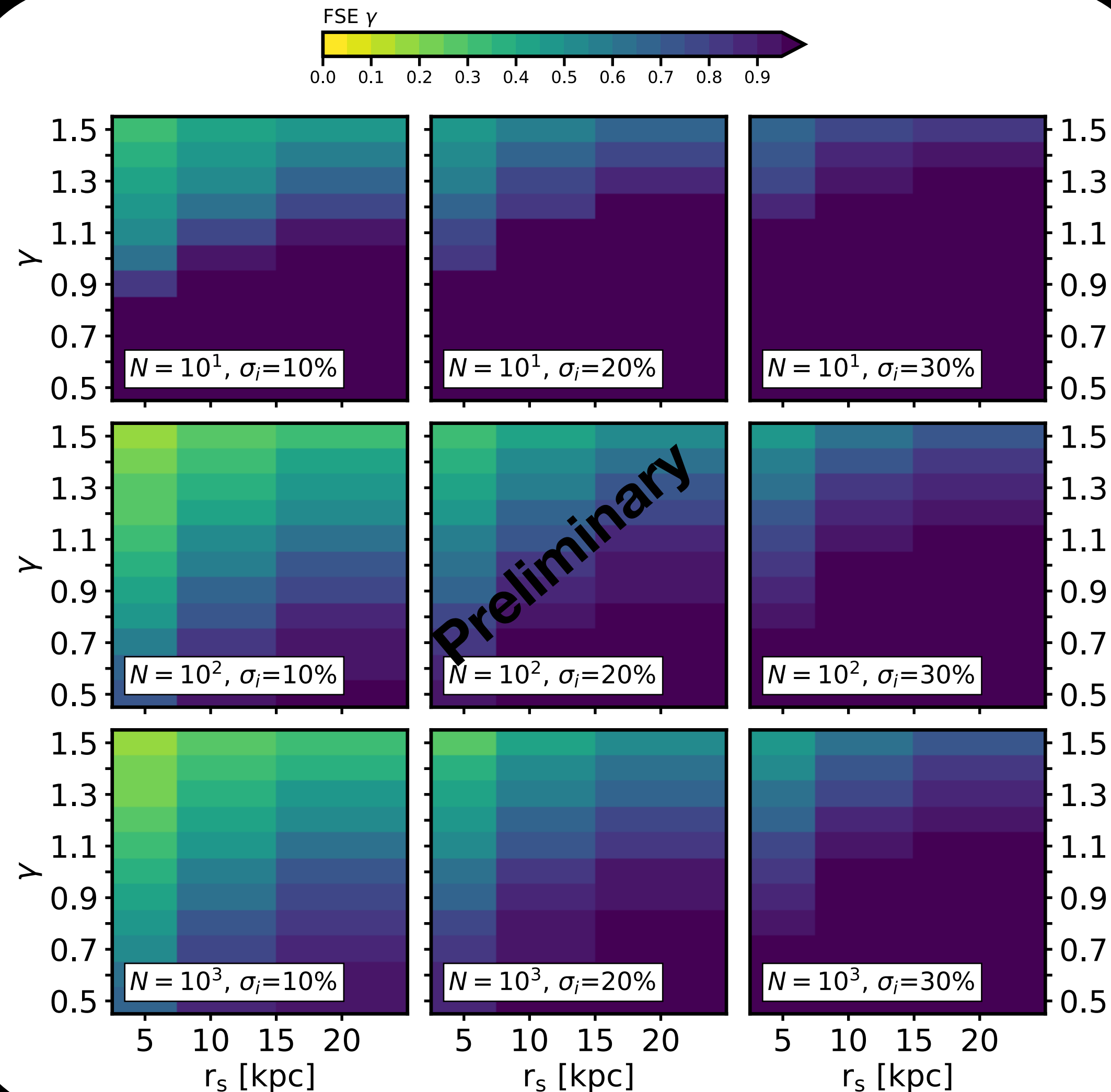
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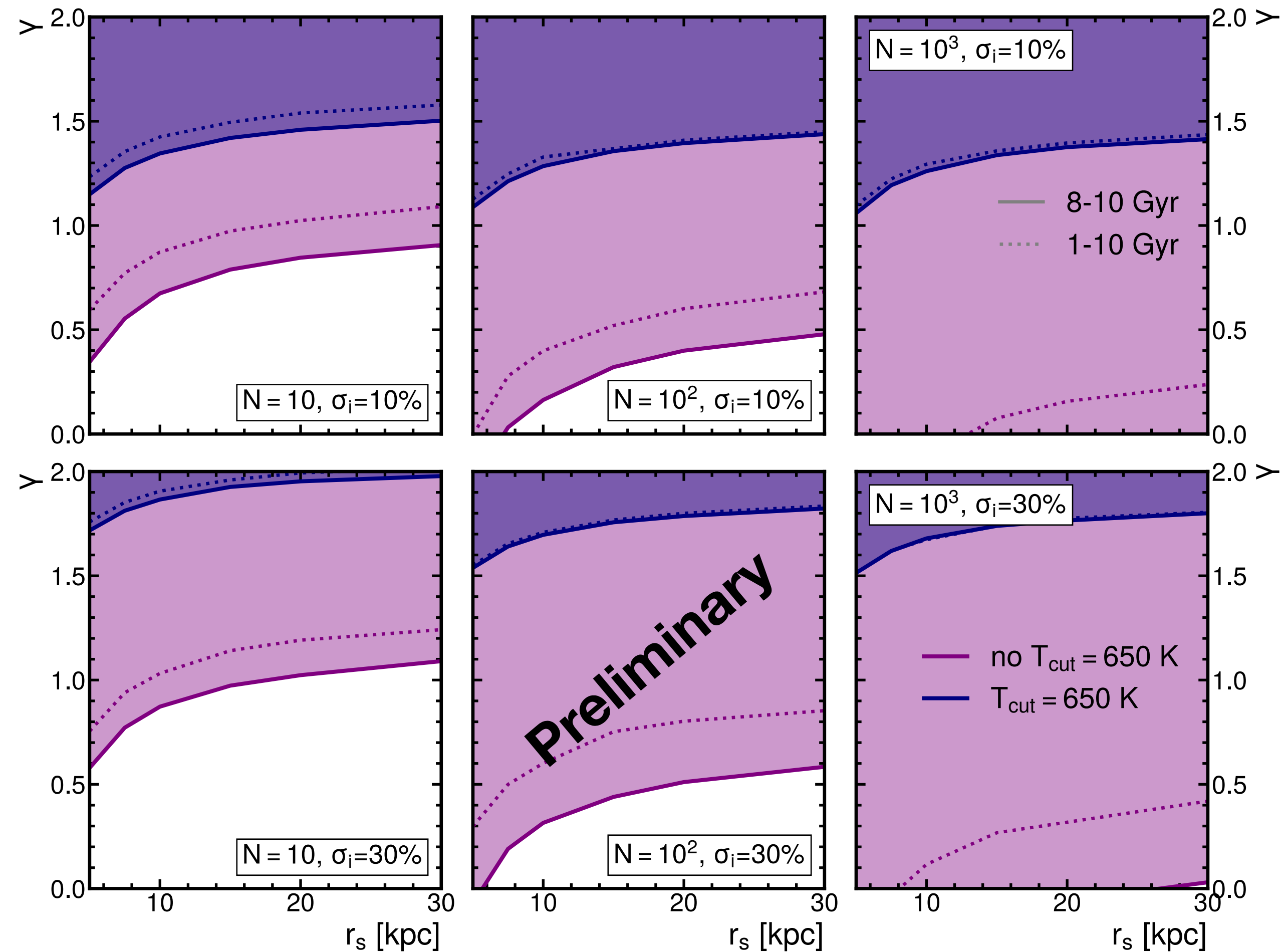
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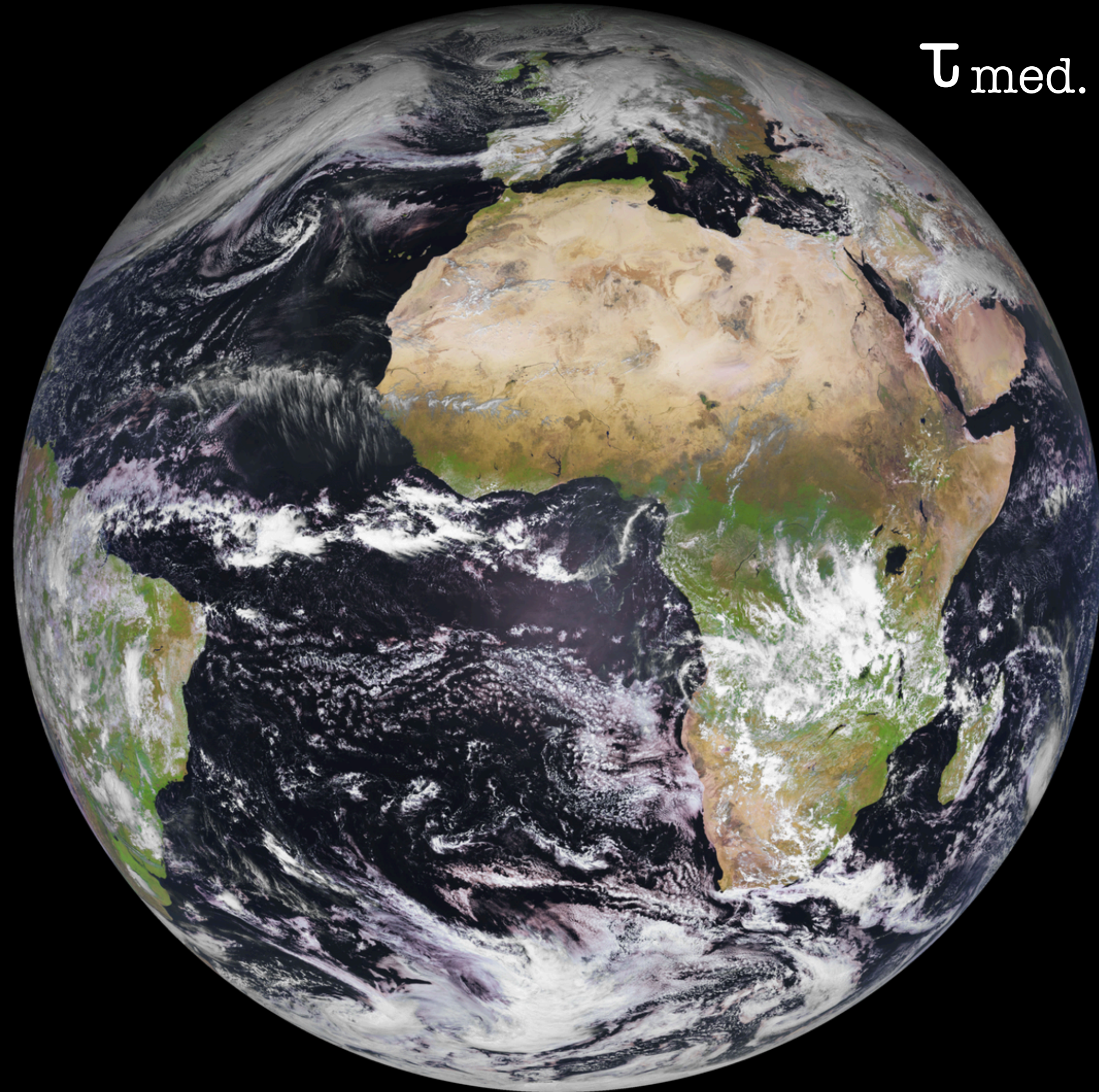
Constraining Power



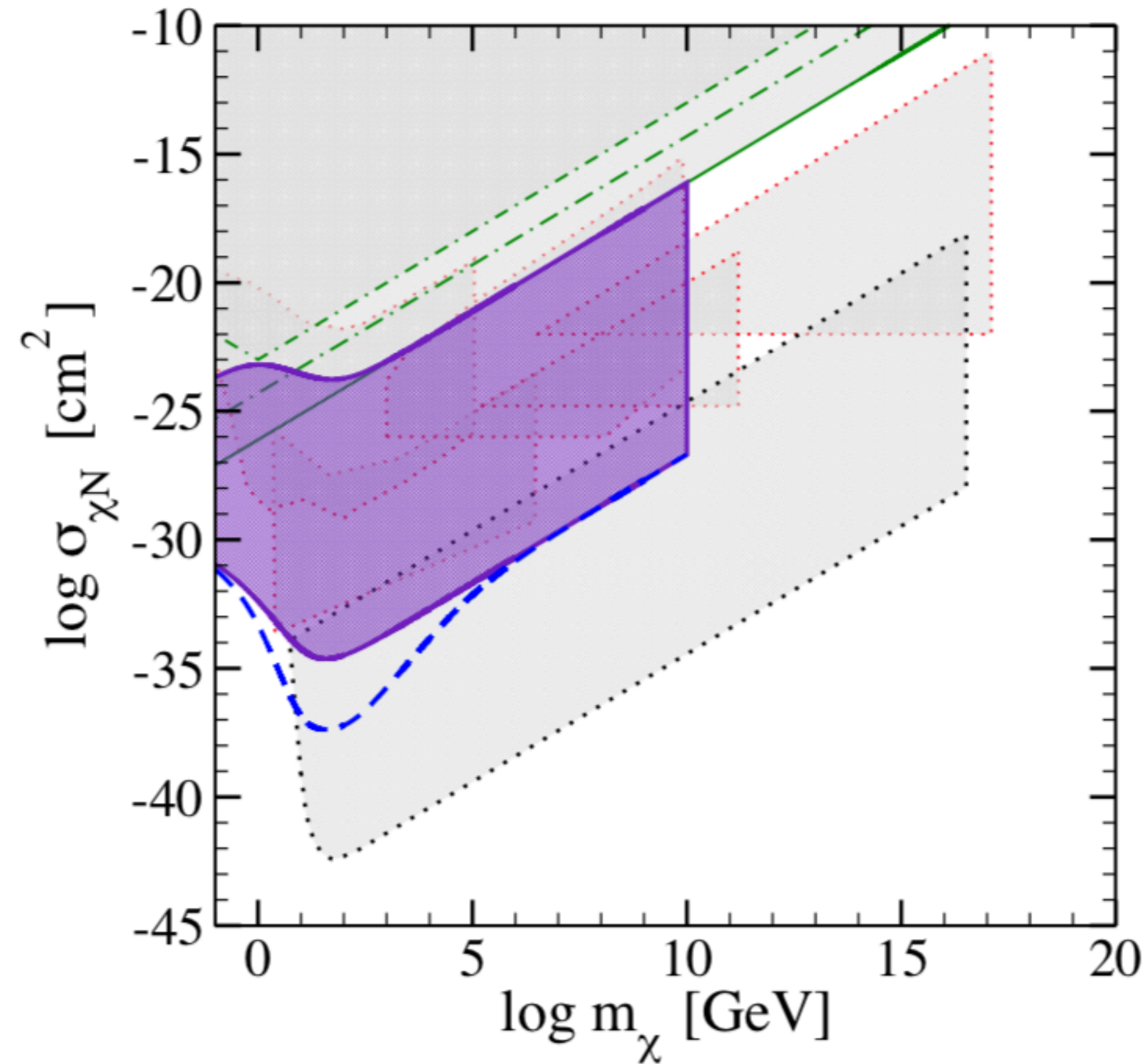
What do we Test?

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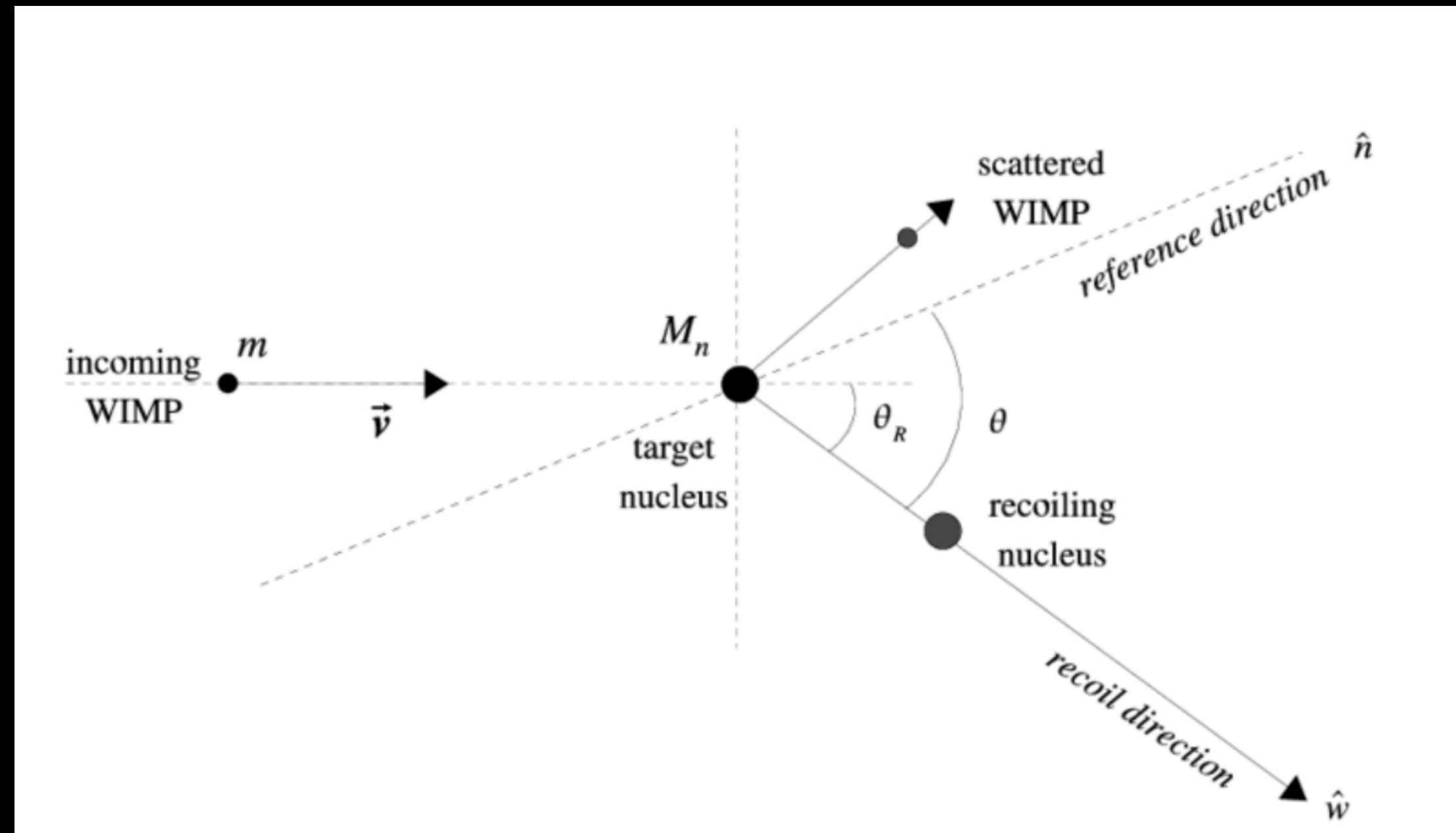


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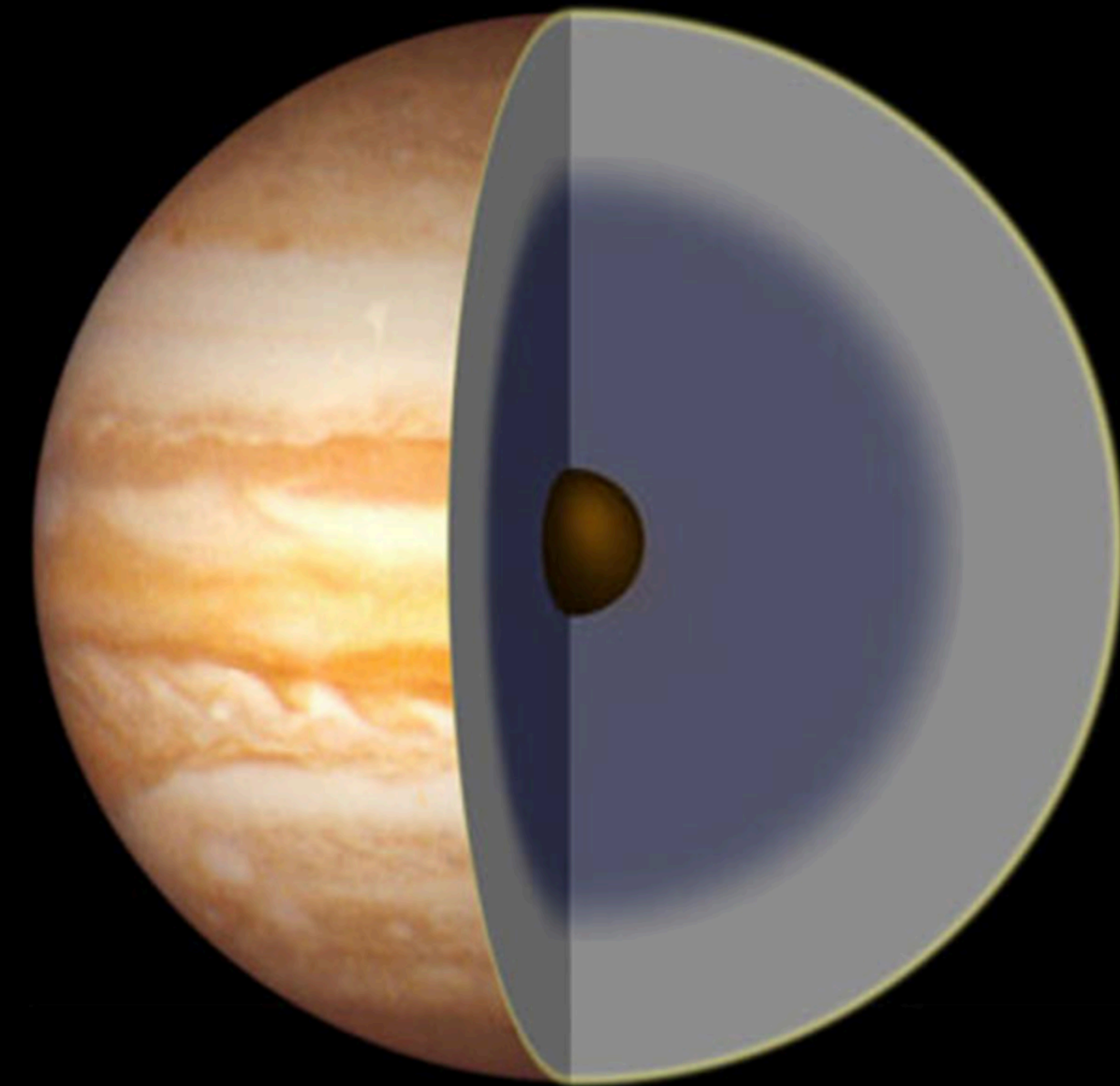
Heat Source	Heating Rate
Solar (received and returned)	170,000 TW
Internal (measured)	$44.2 \pm 1 \text{ TW}$
DM annihilation (opaque Earth)	3330 TW
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DM kinetic heating	$\sim 3000 \times 10^{-6} \text{ TW}$

Lower Masses

Capture and Evaporation



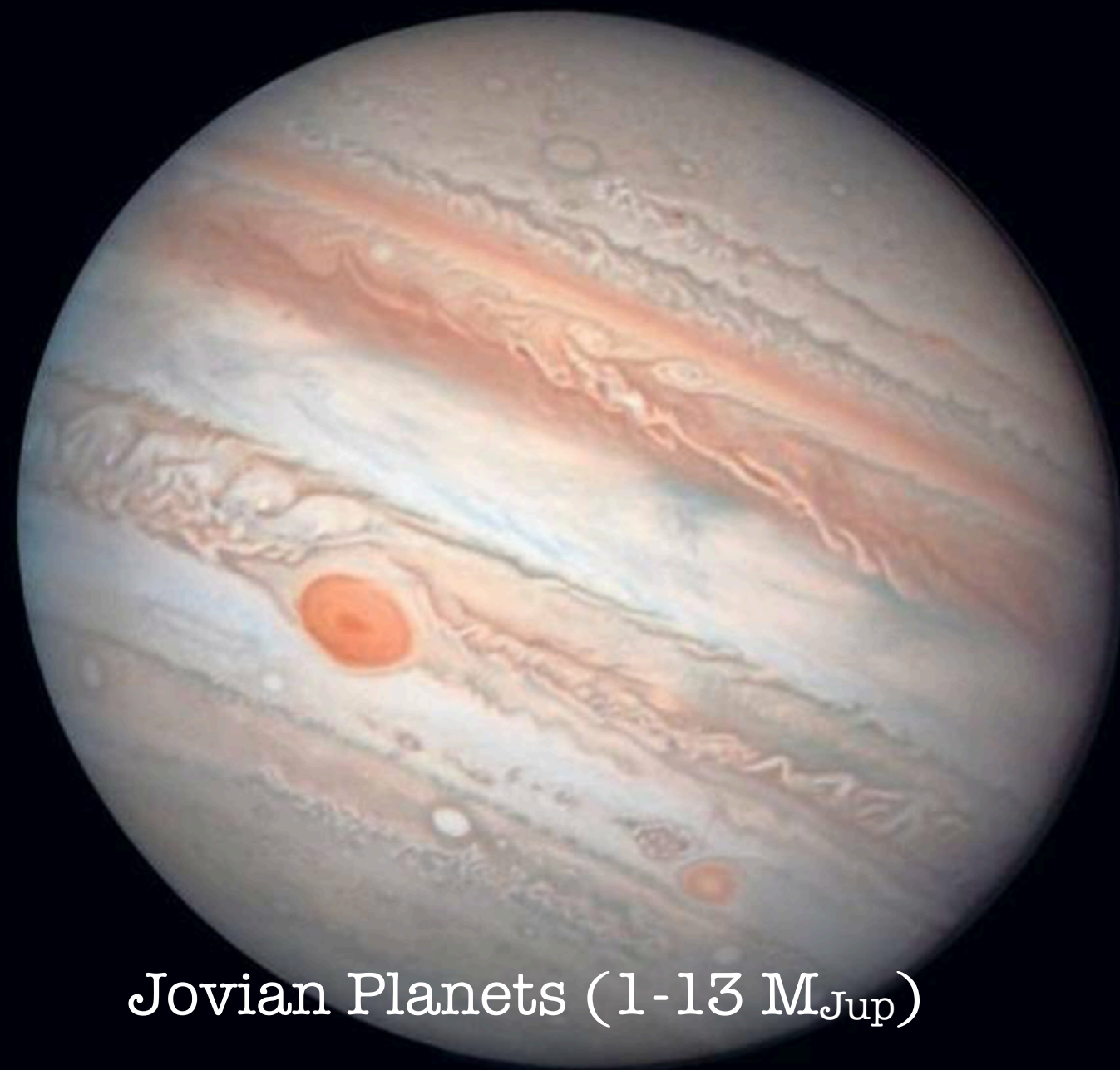
a) Target kinematics



b) Ratio between Potential and Temperature

Longer Mediator Lifetime

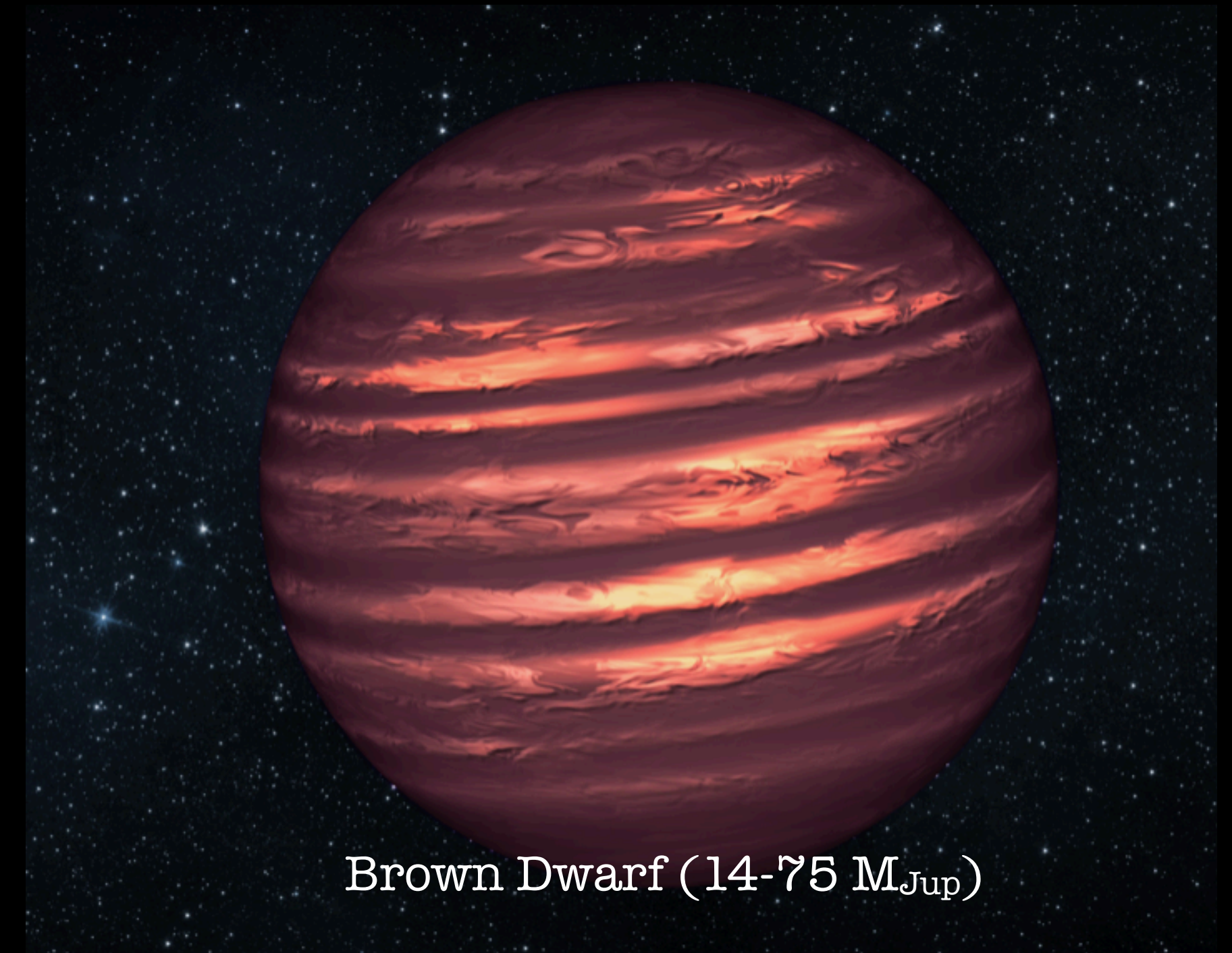
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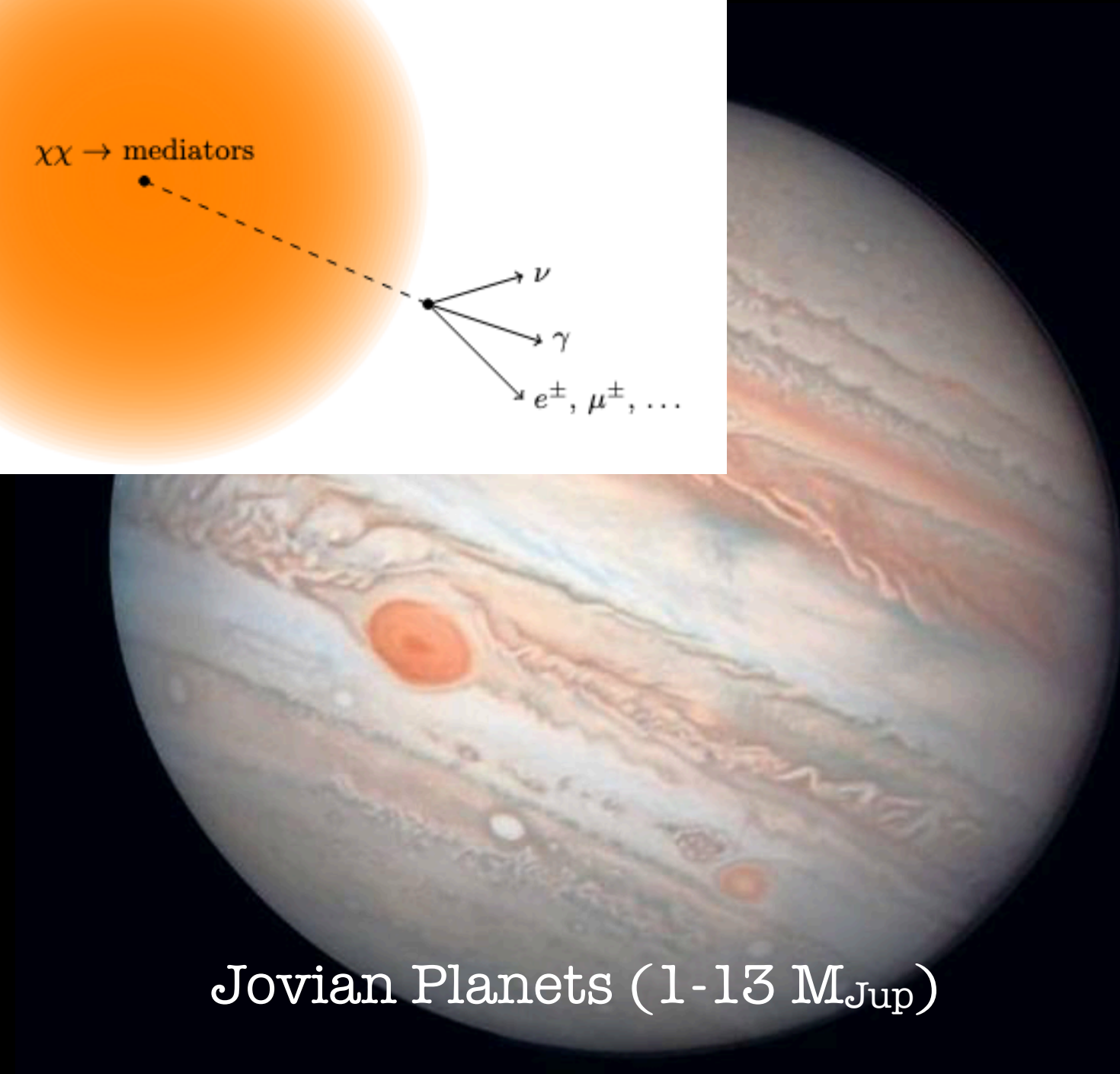
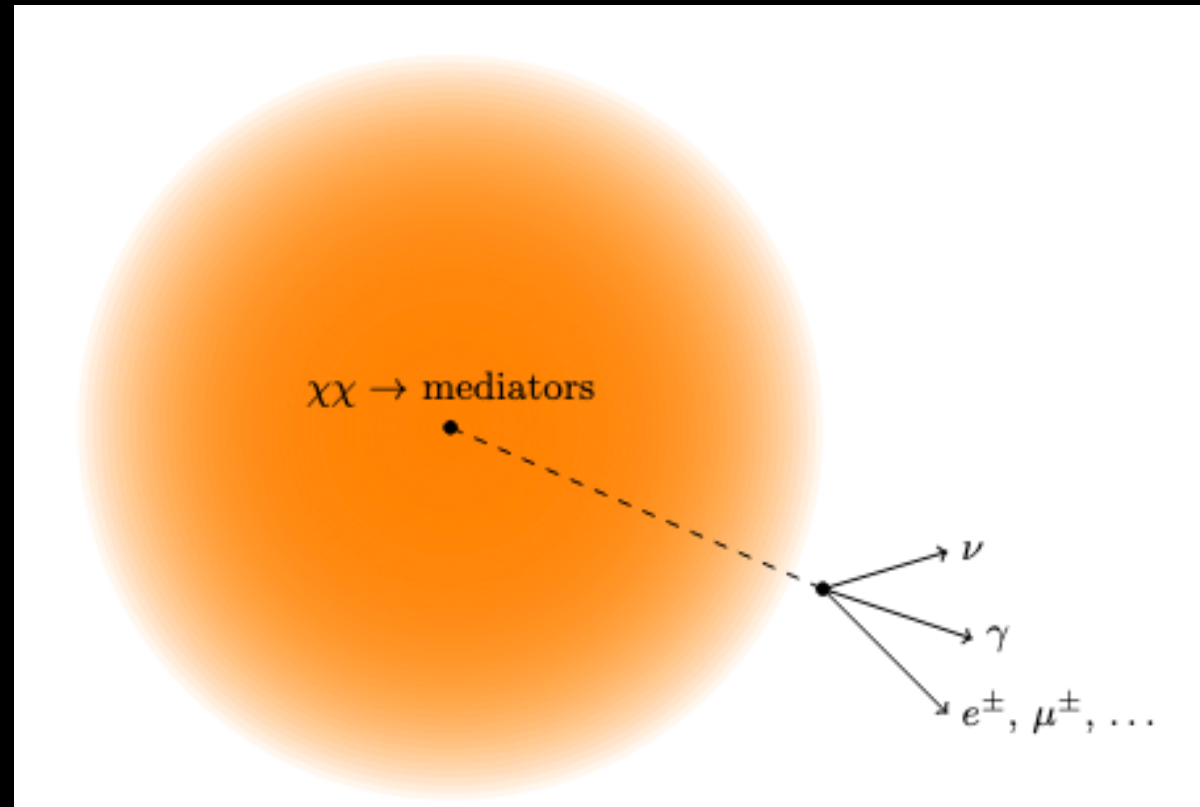
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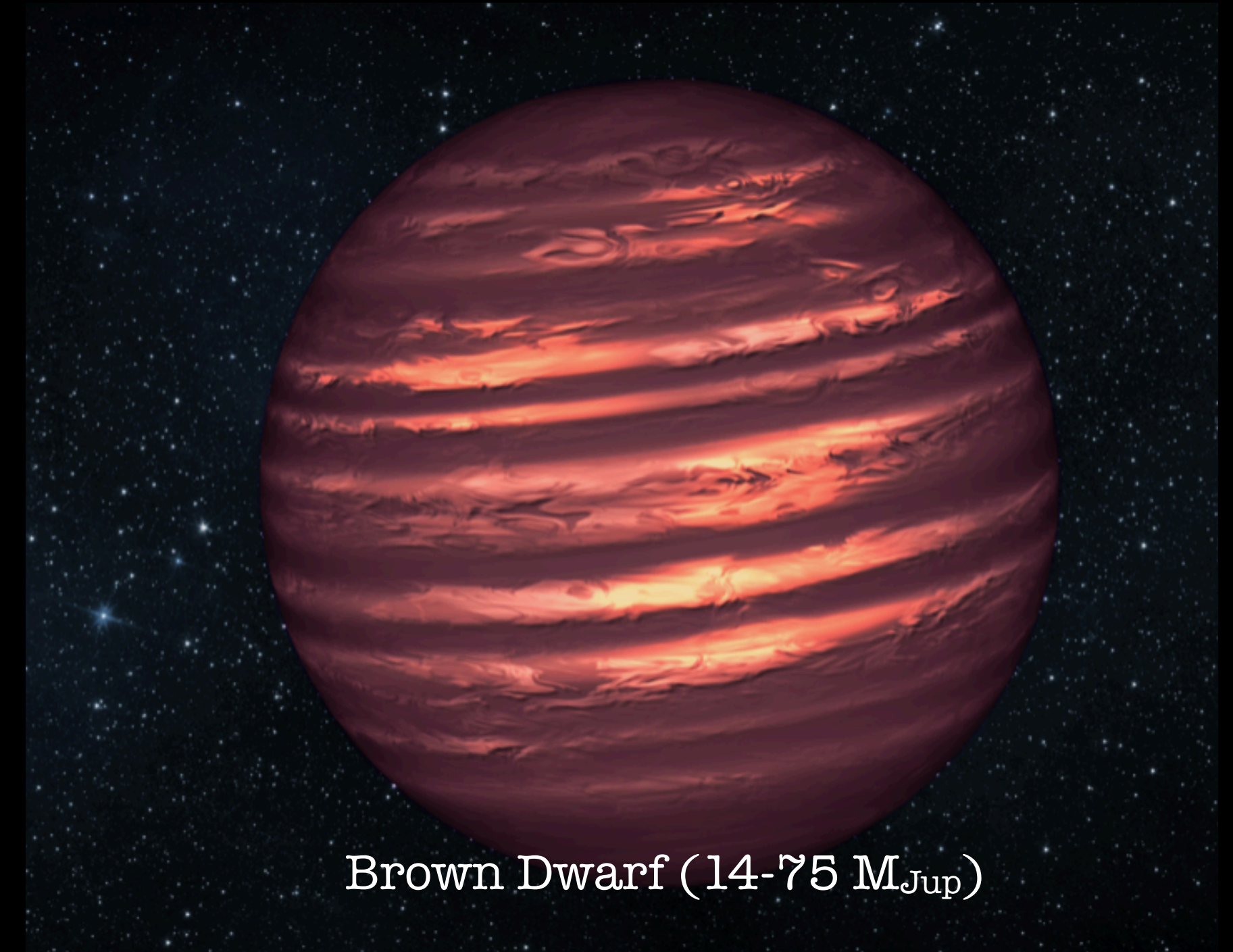
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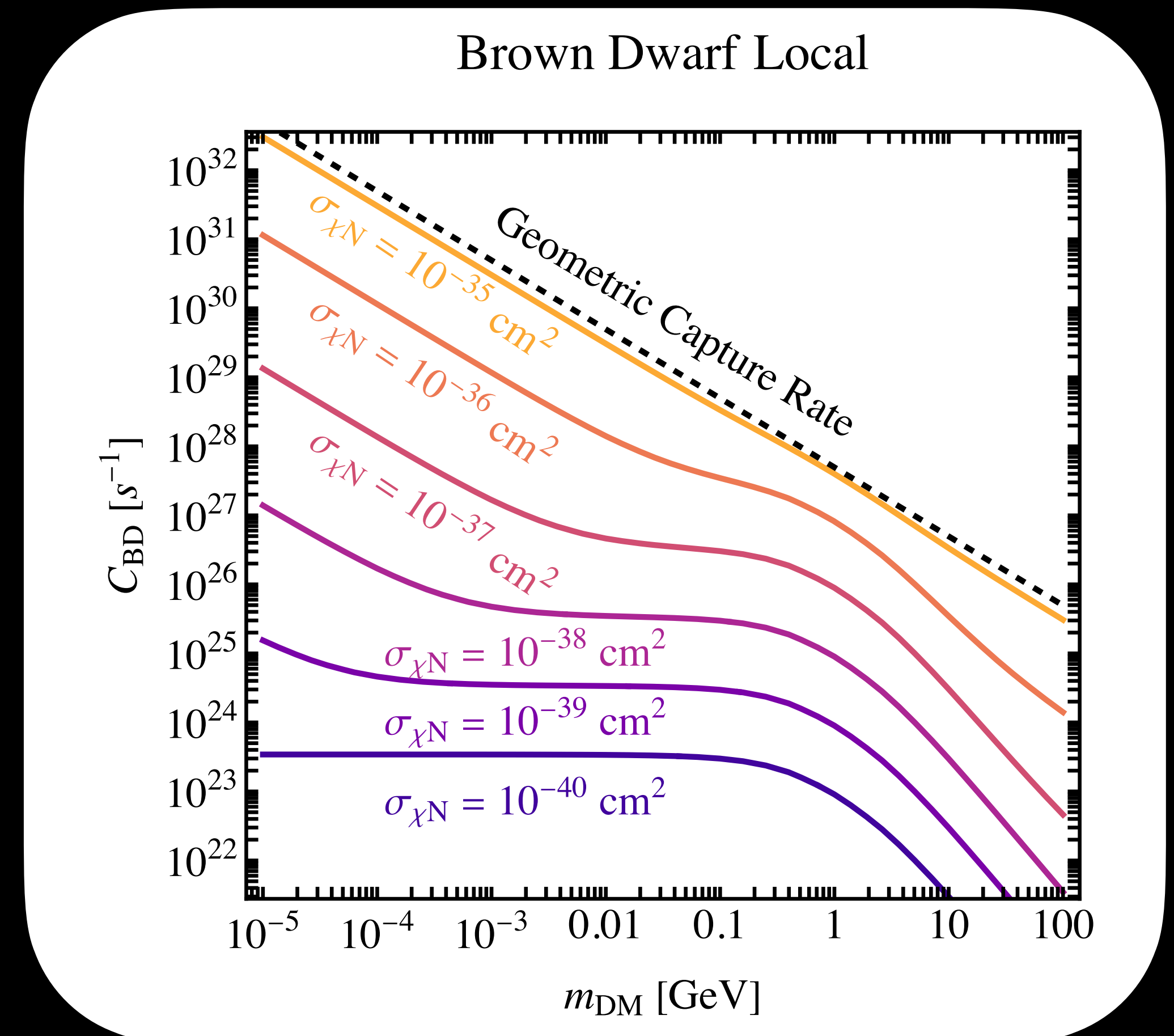


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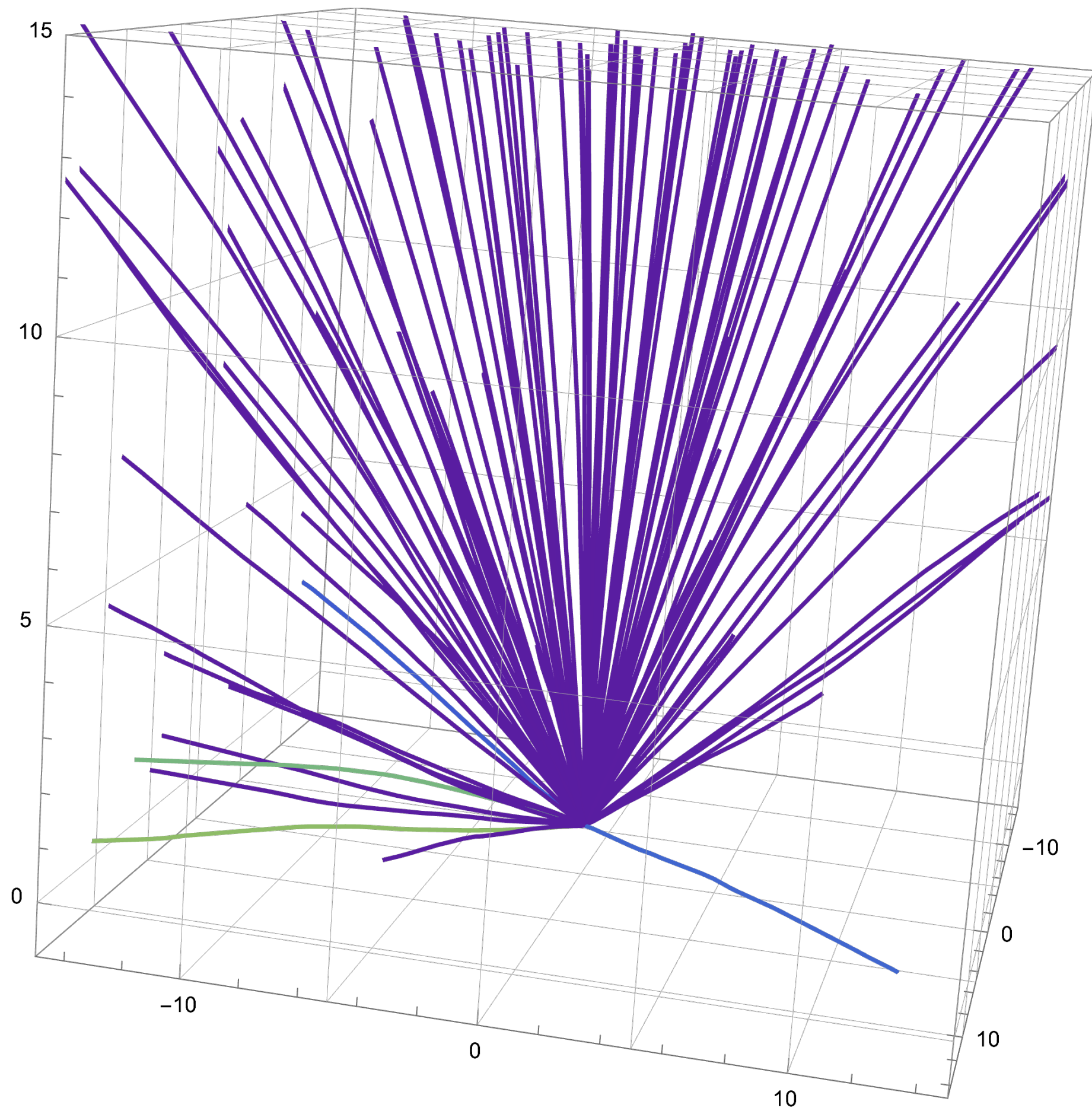
Dark Matter Distribution

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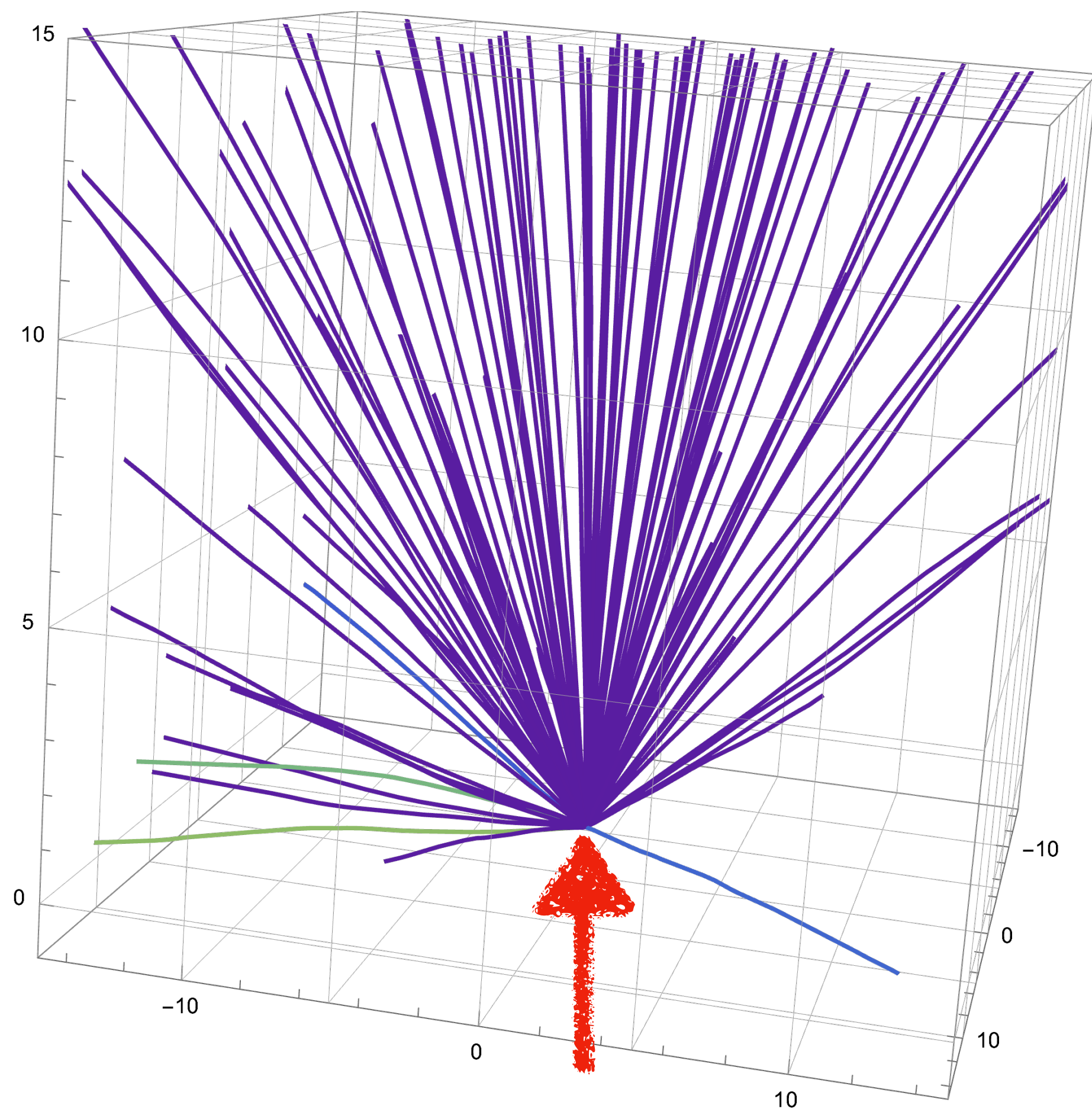
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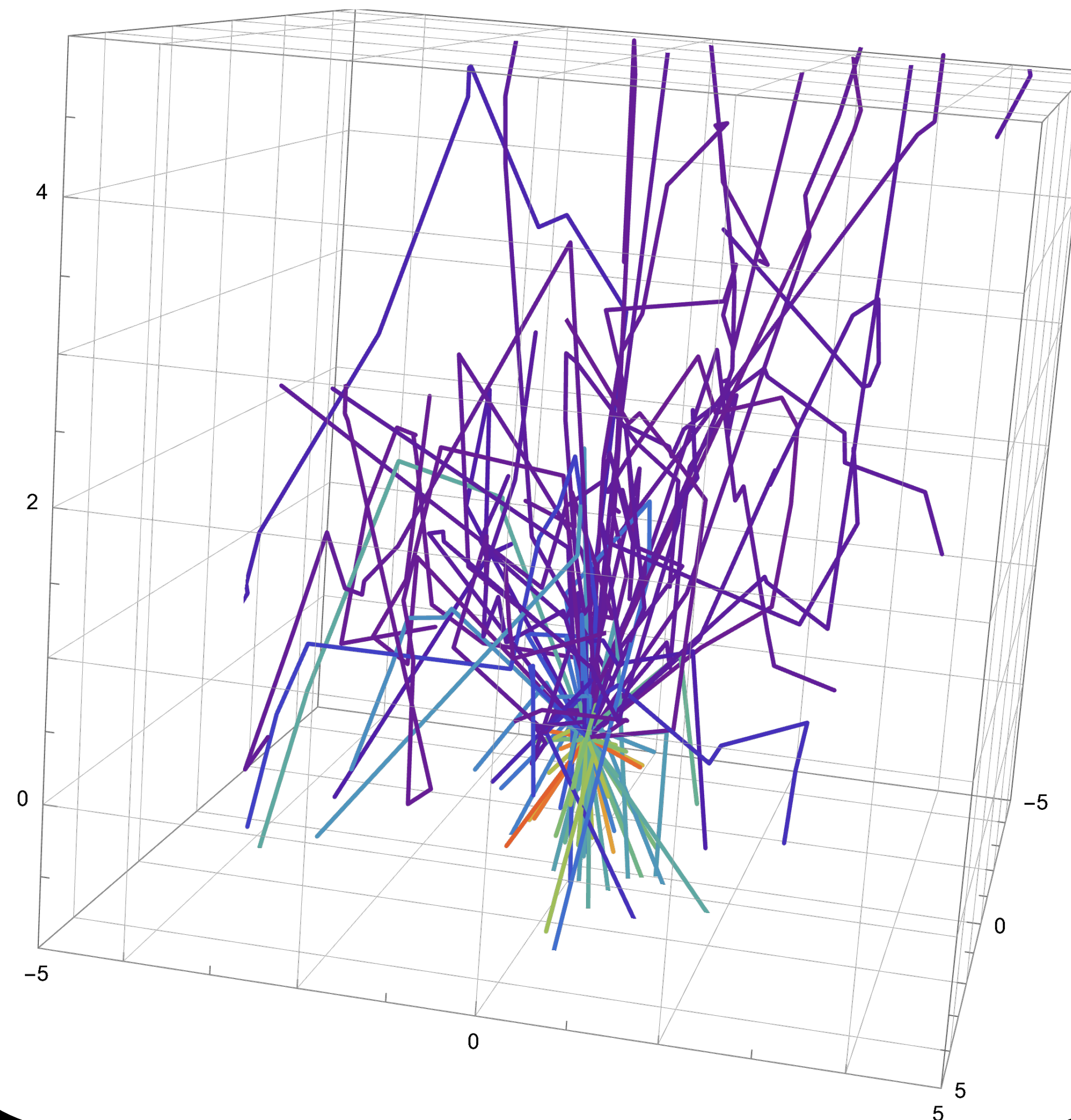
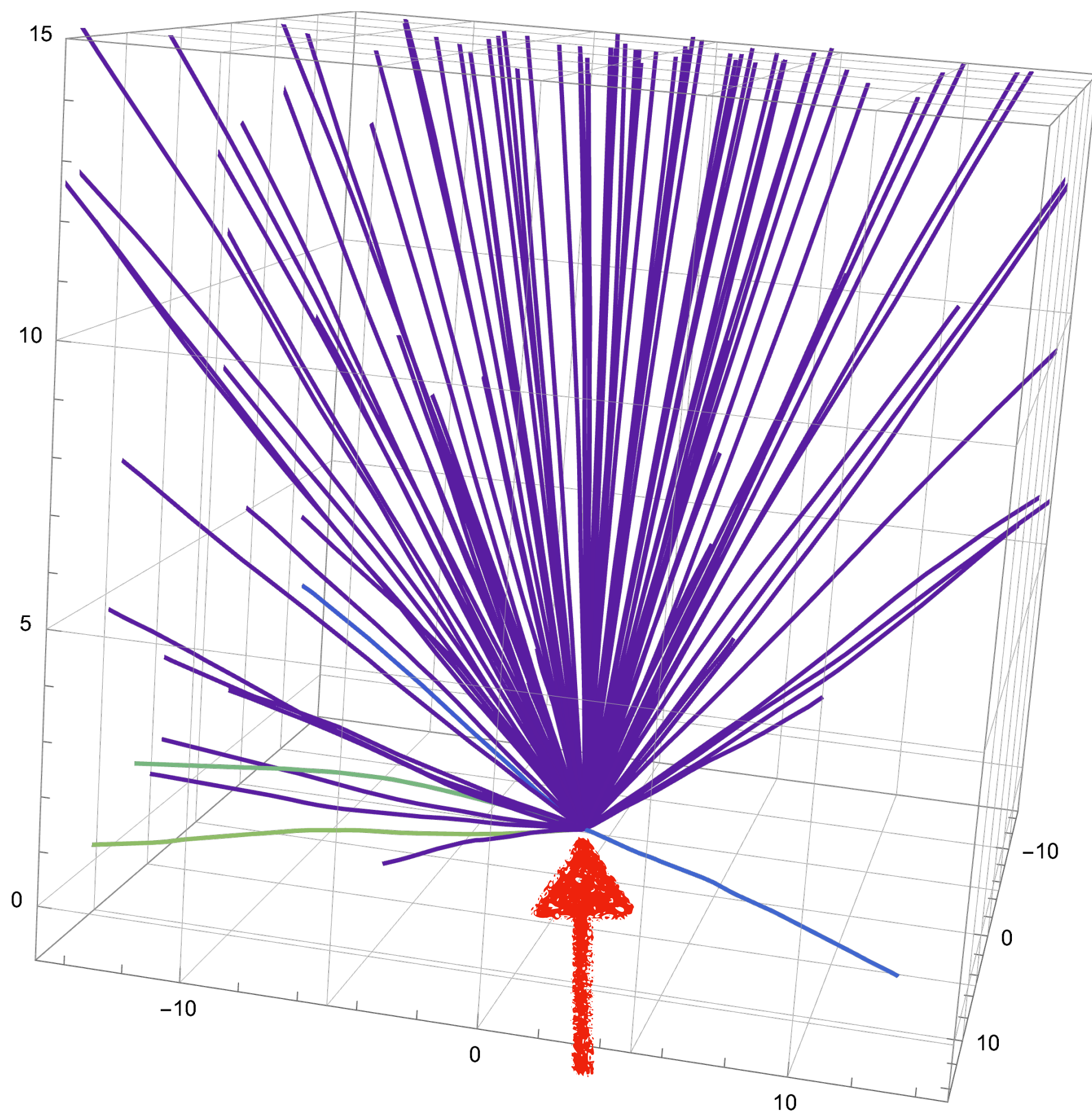
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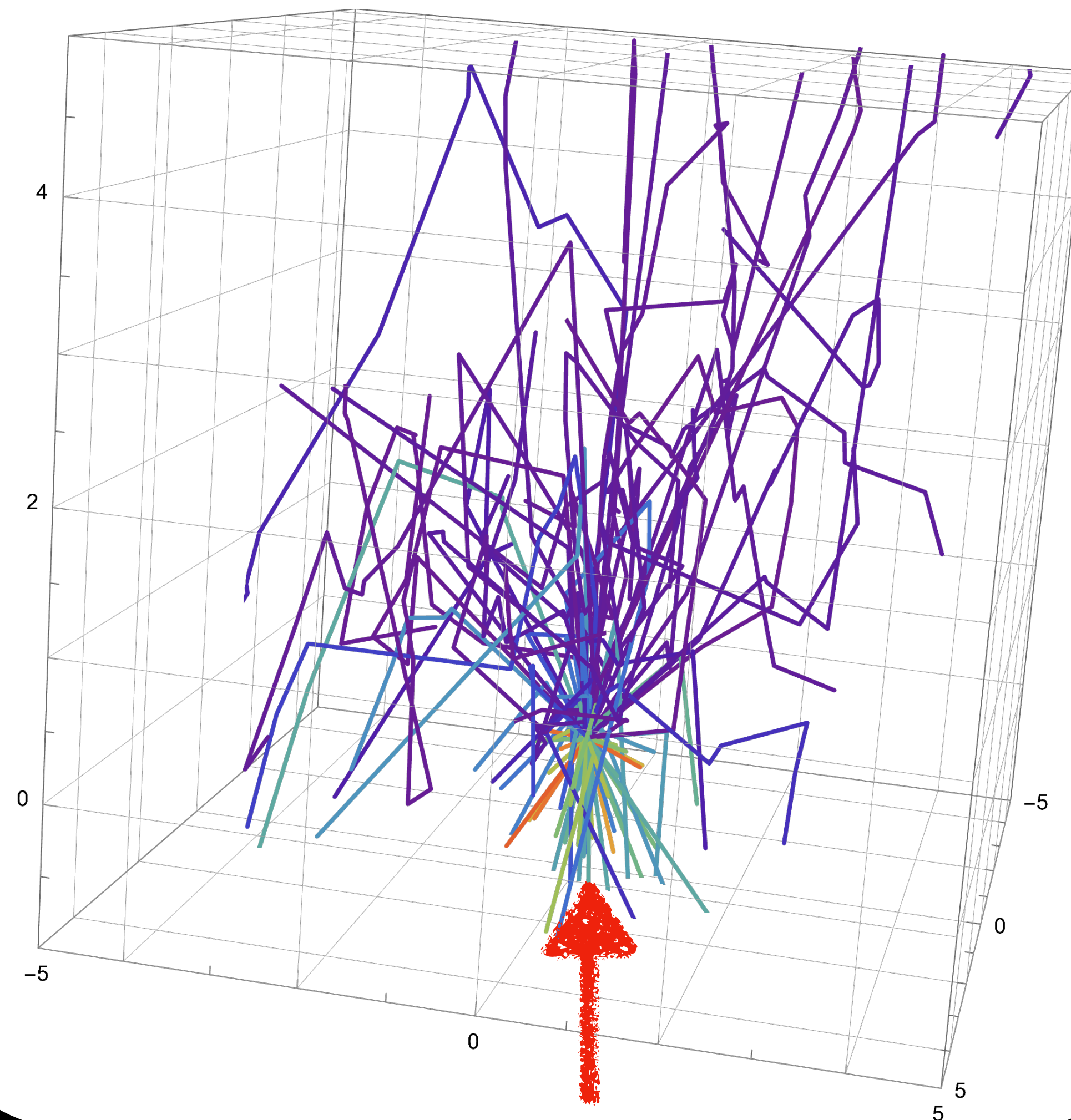
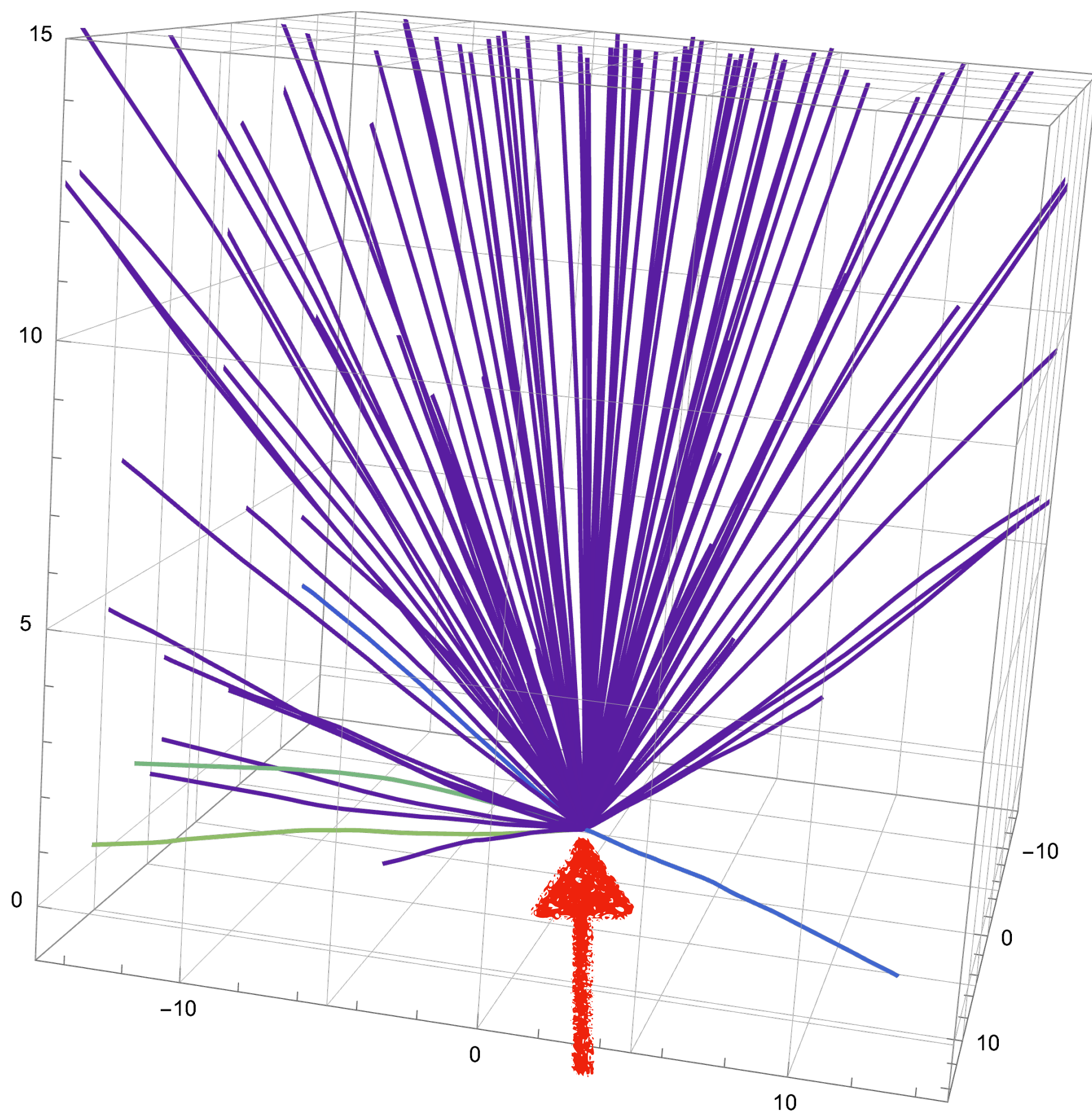
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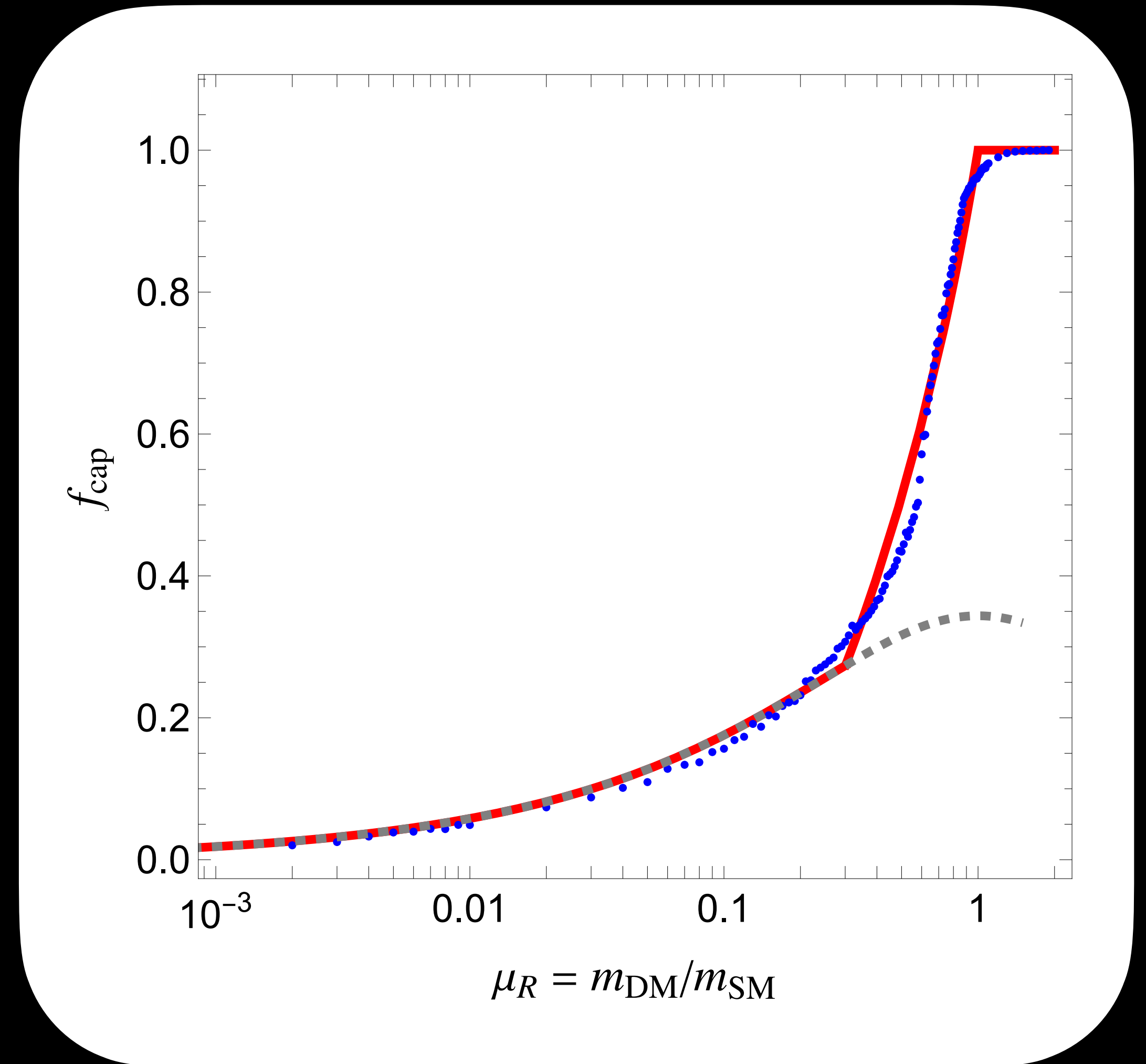


Simulation and Analytic Result

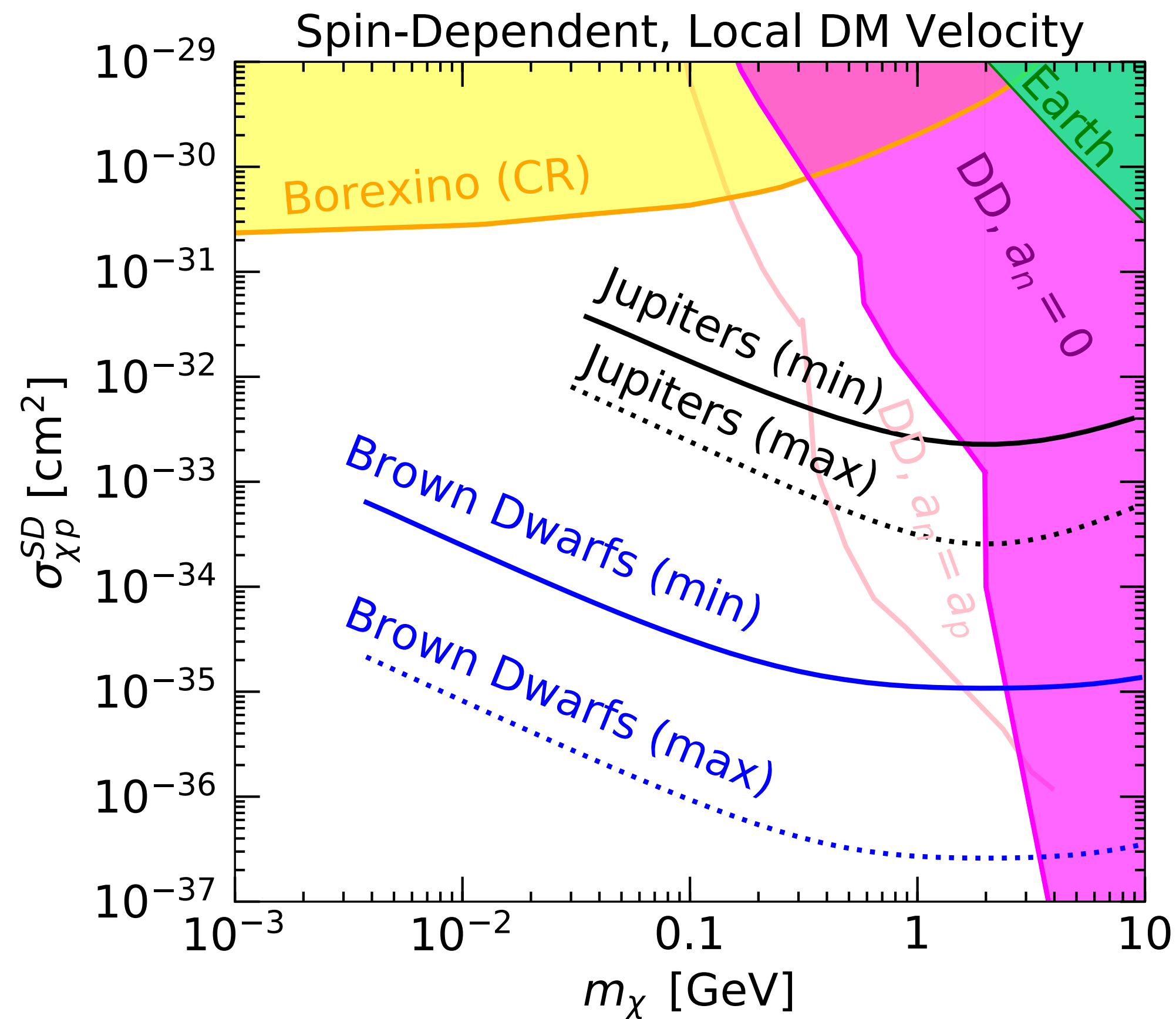
$$f_{\text{ref}} \approx 1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{\text{cap}}}}$$

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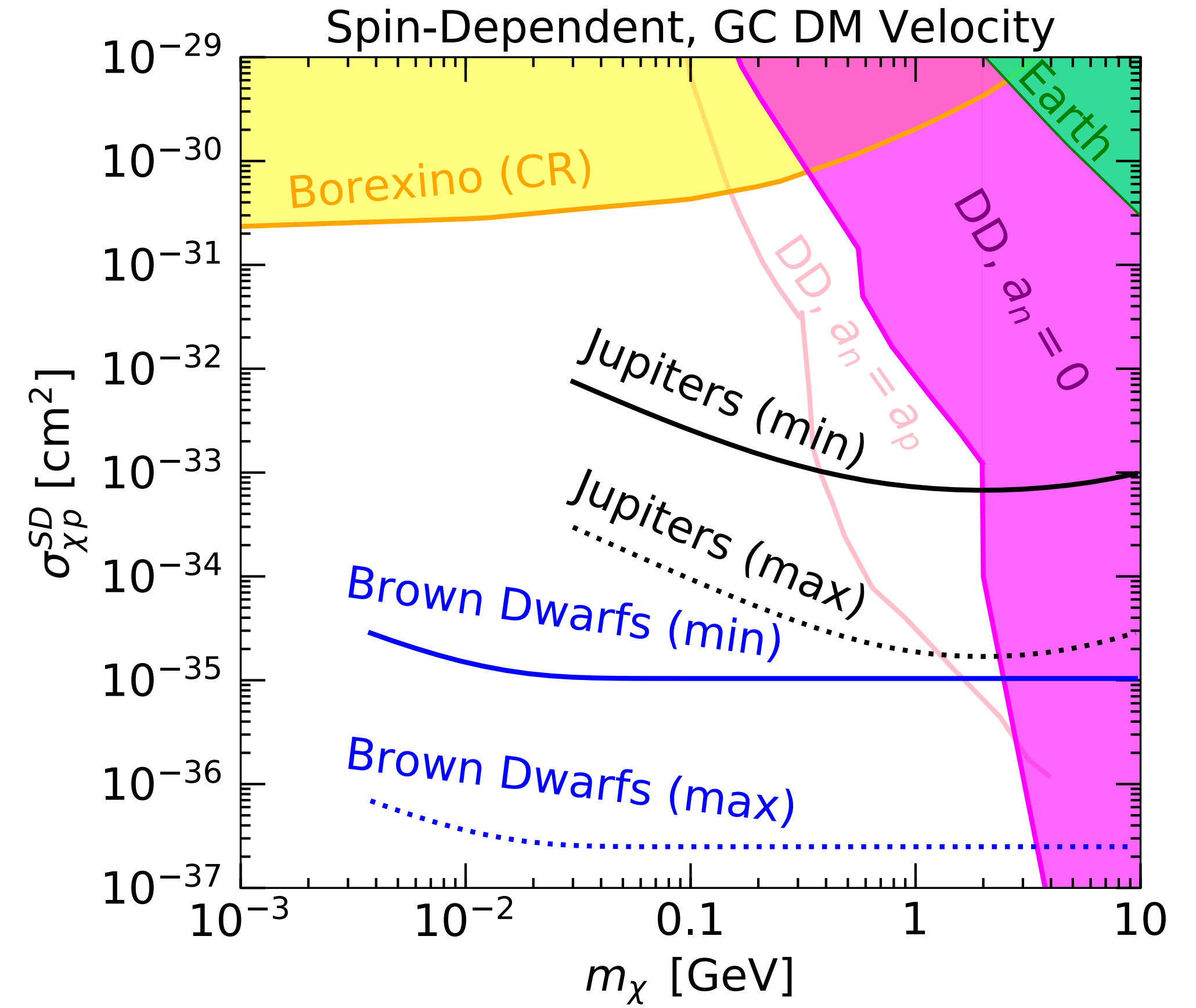
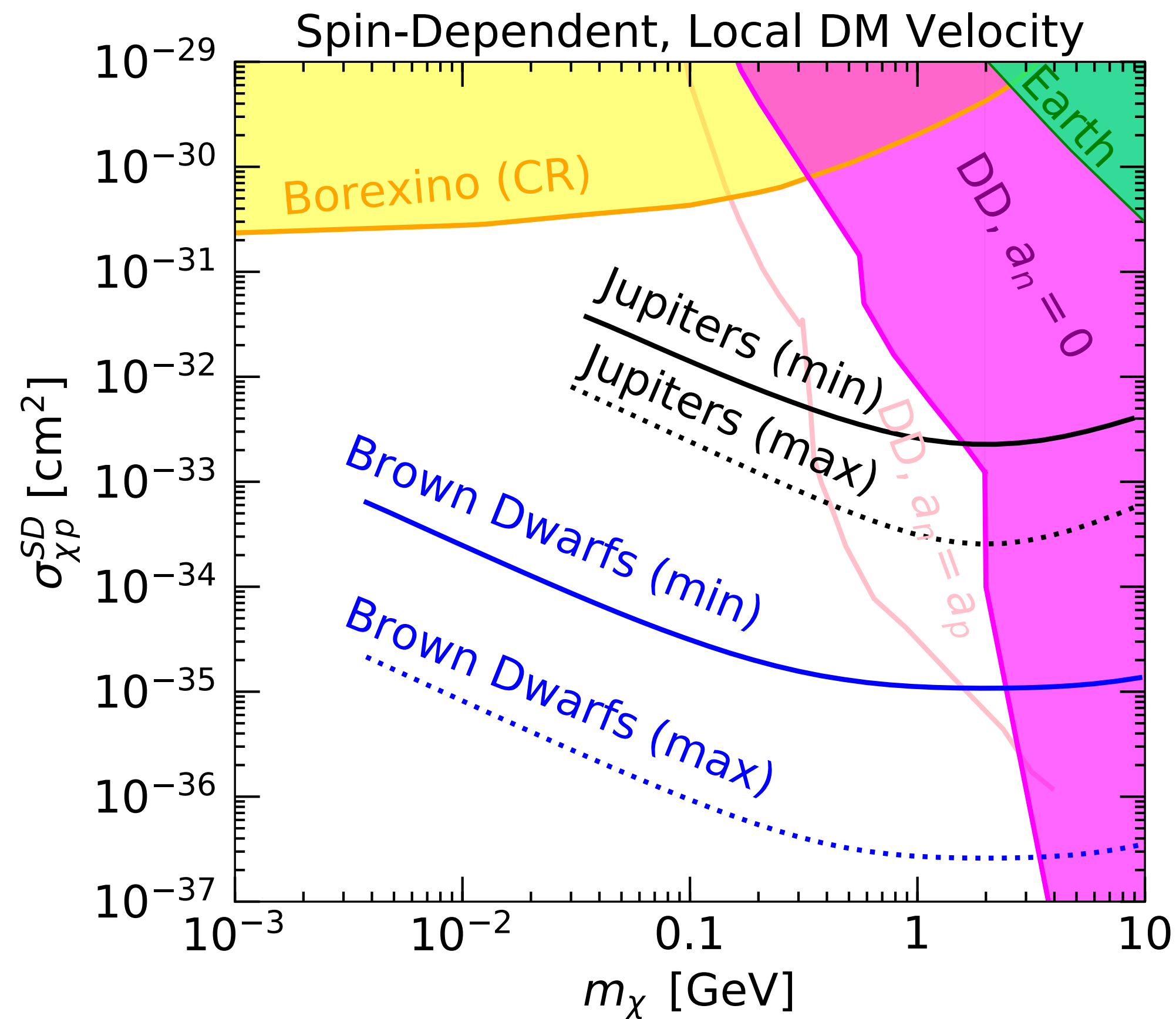
$$\langle z \rangle \sim \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \beta = \frac{4m_{\text{DM}}m_{\text{SM}}}{(m_{\text{DM}} + m_{\text{SM}})^2}$$



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Ref: Big bang archeology:
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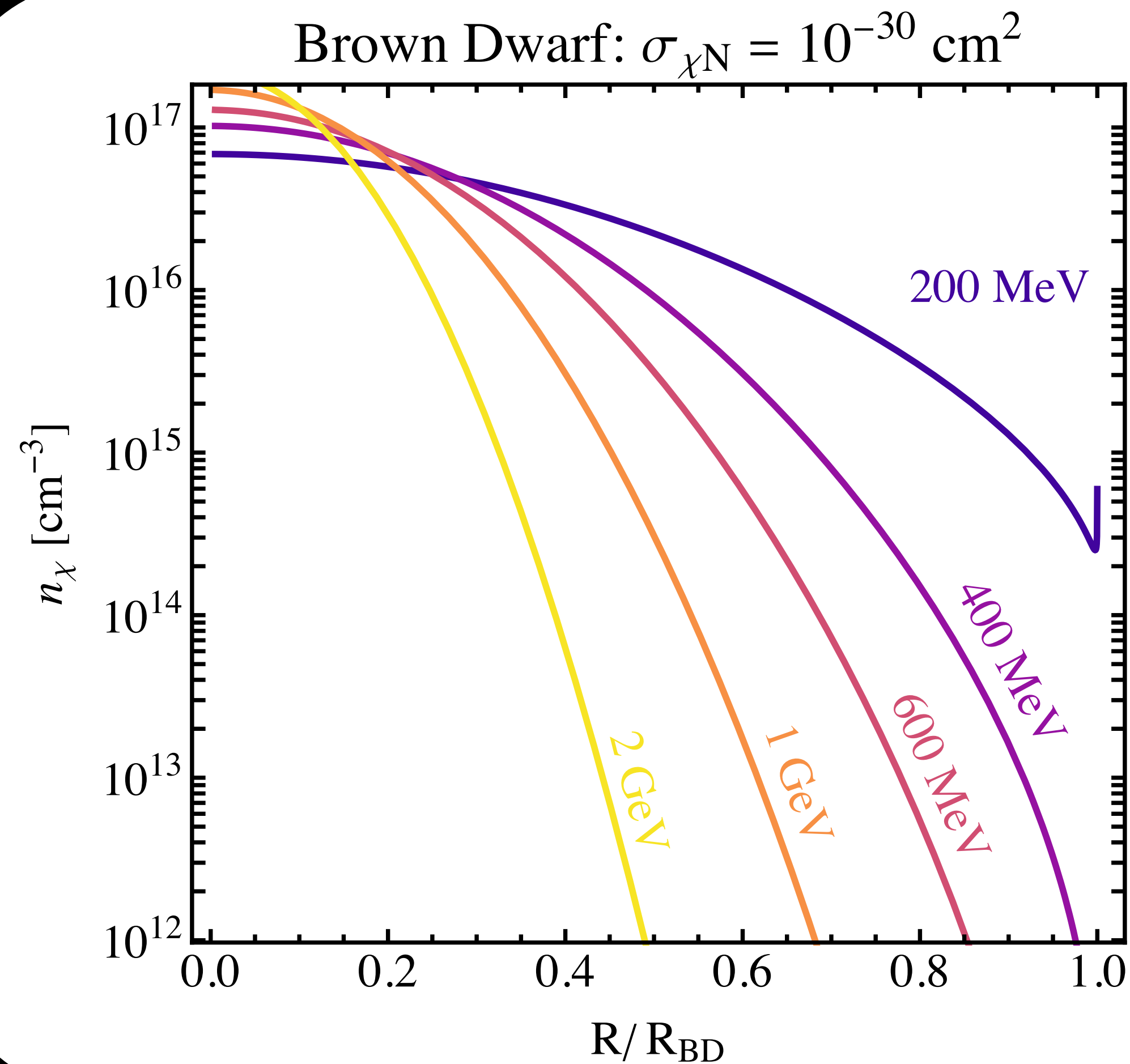
DM influx & diffusion:
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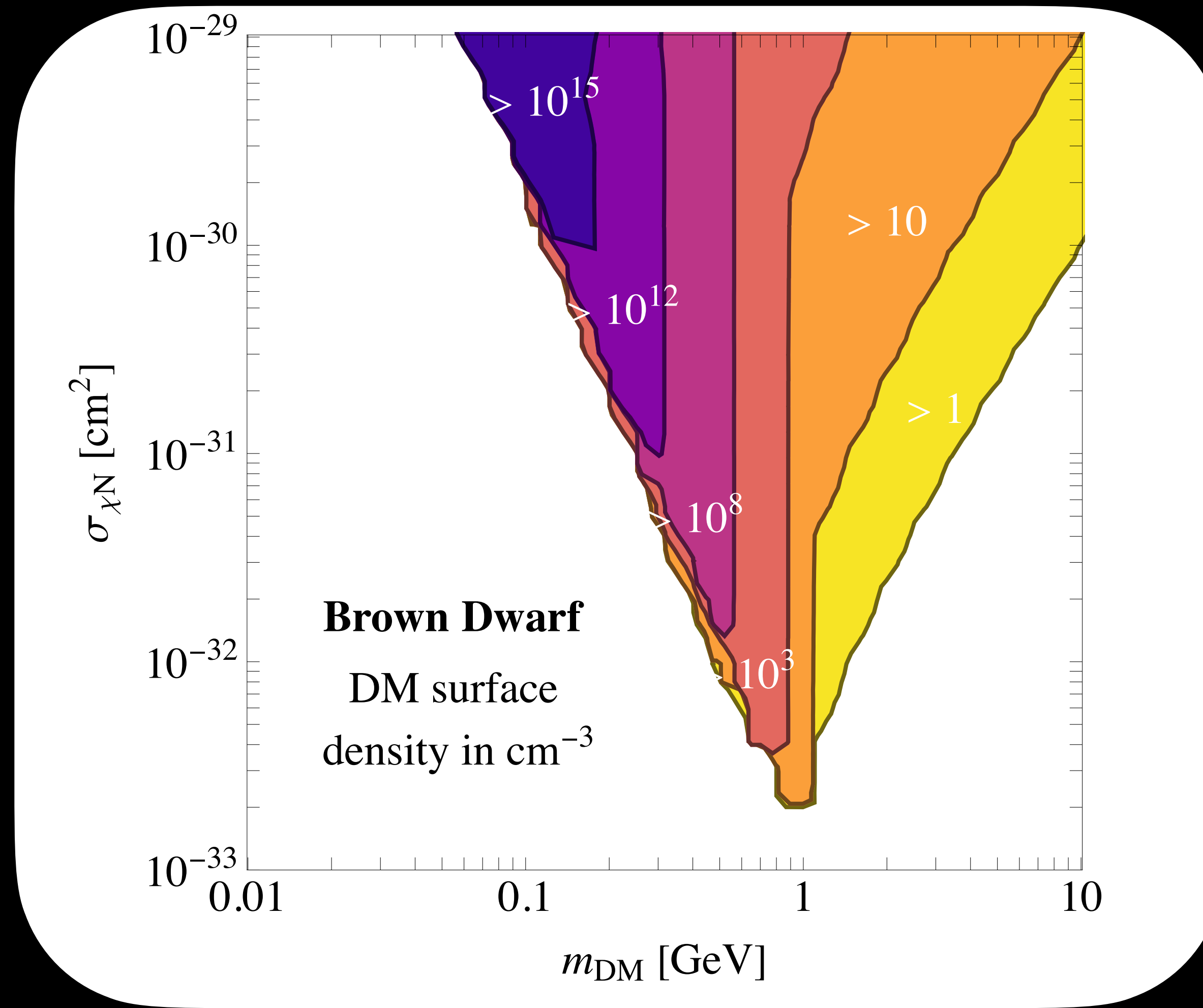
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DM Diffusion in a Brown Dwarf

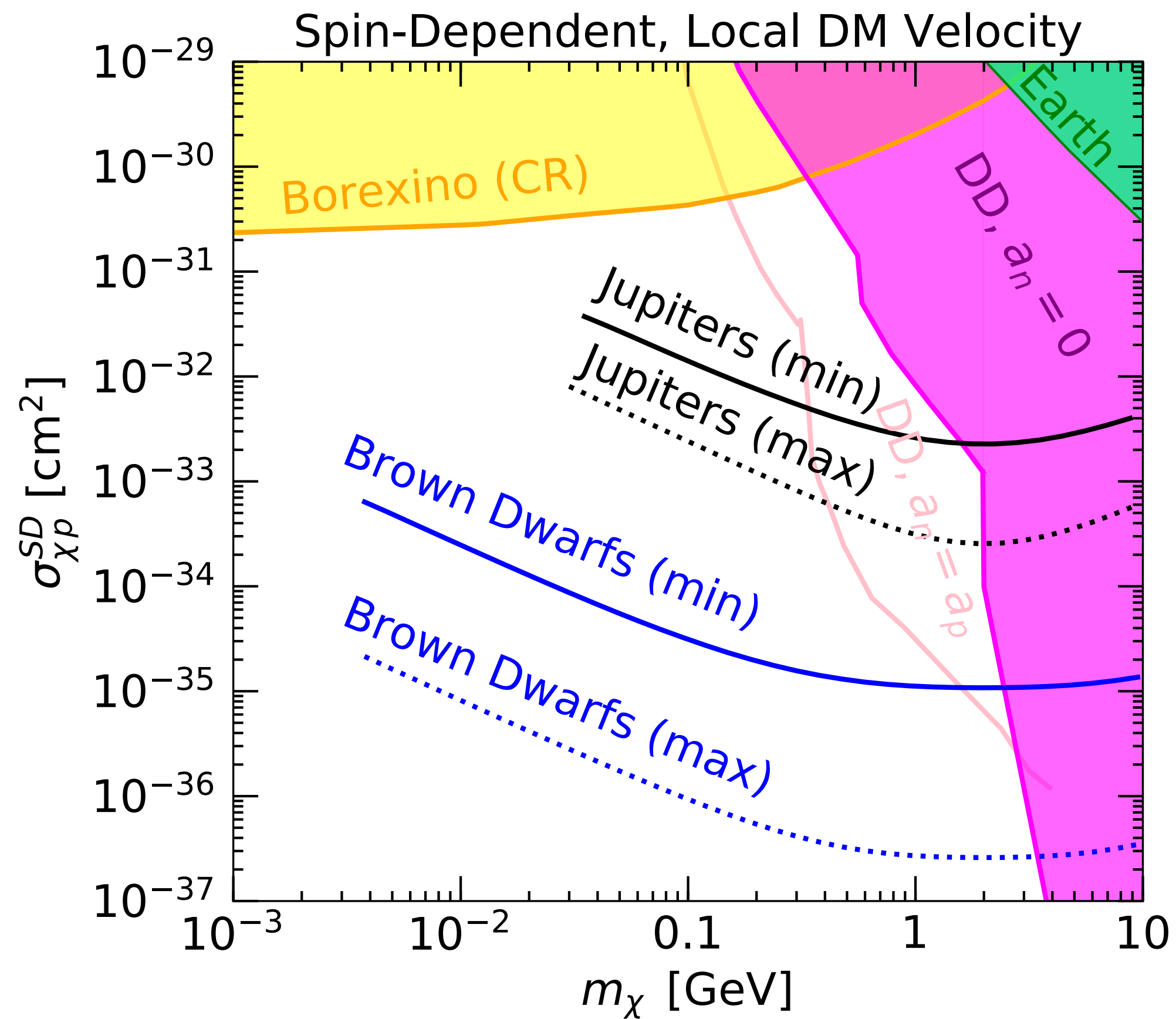


3) Surface Accumulation in Diffusive Regime

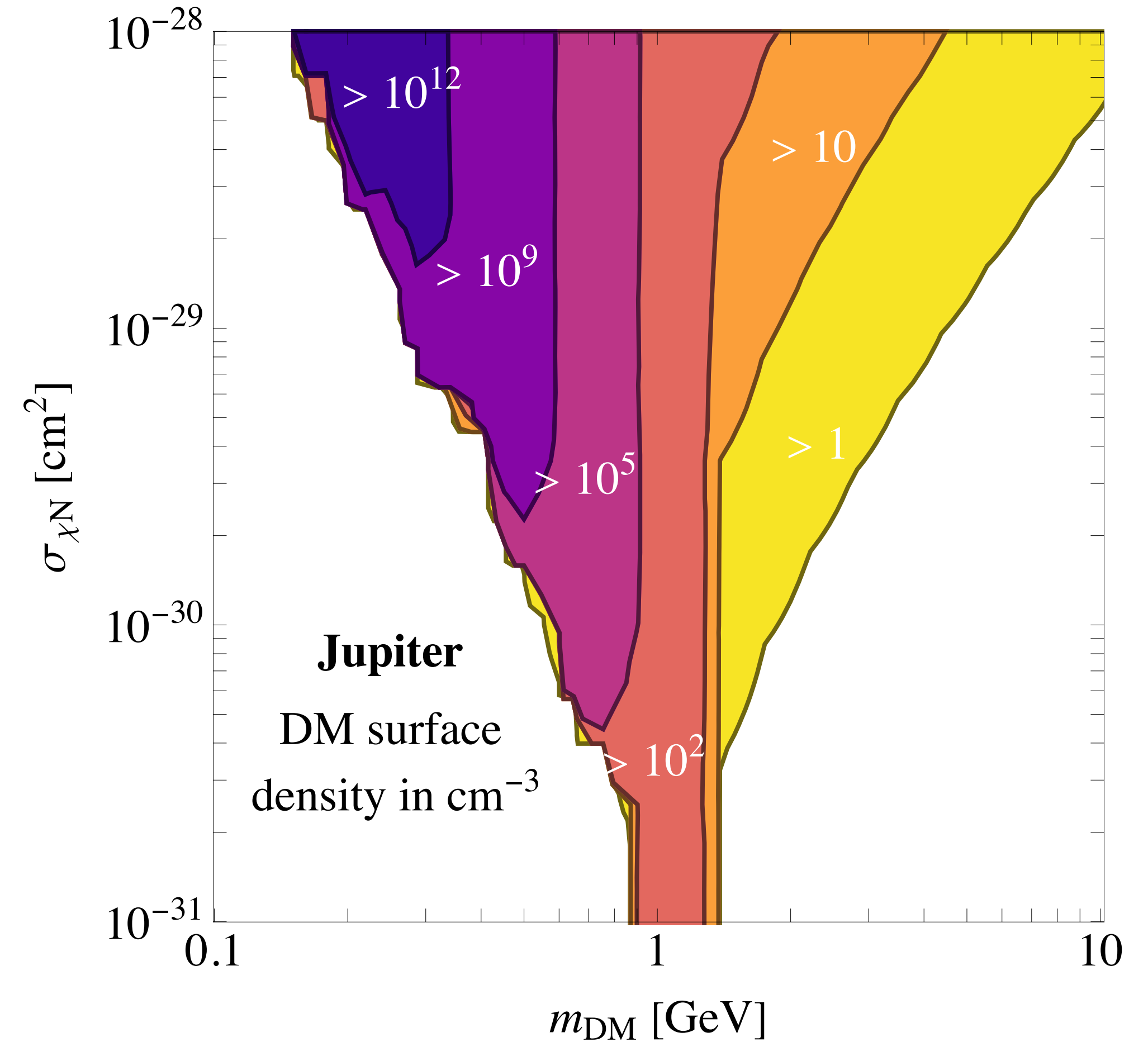


What about evaporation?

Evaporation from Jupiter

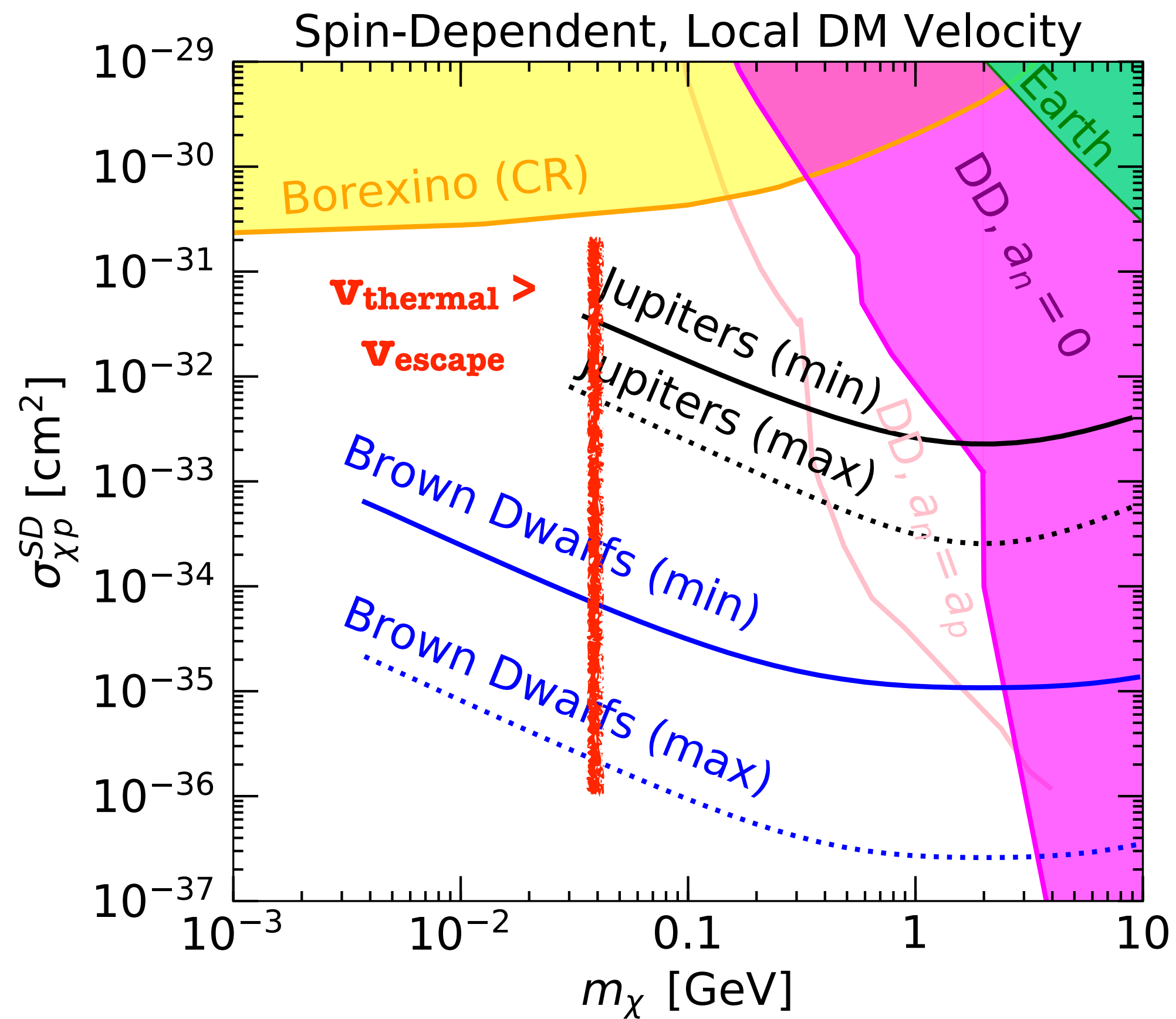


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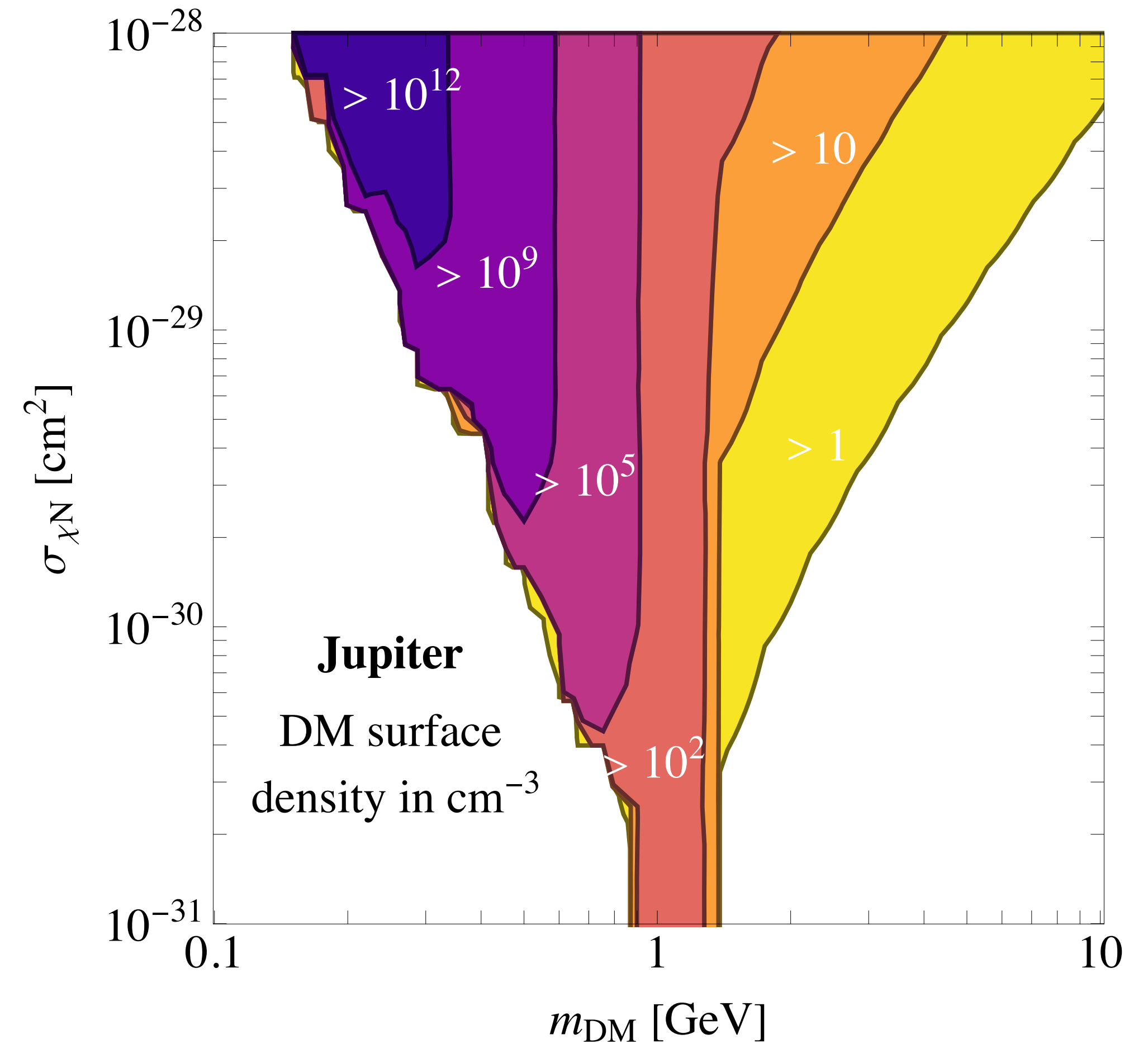


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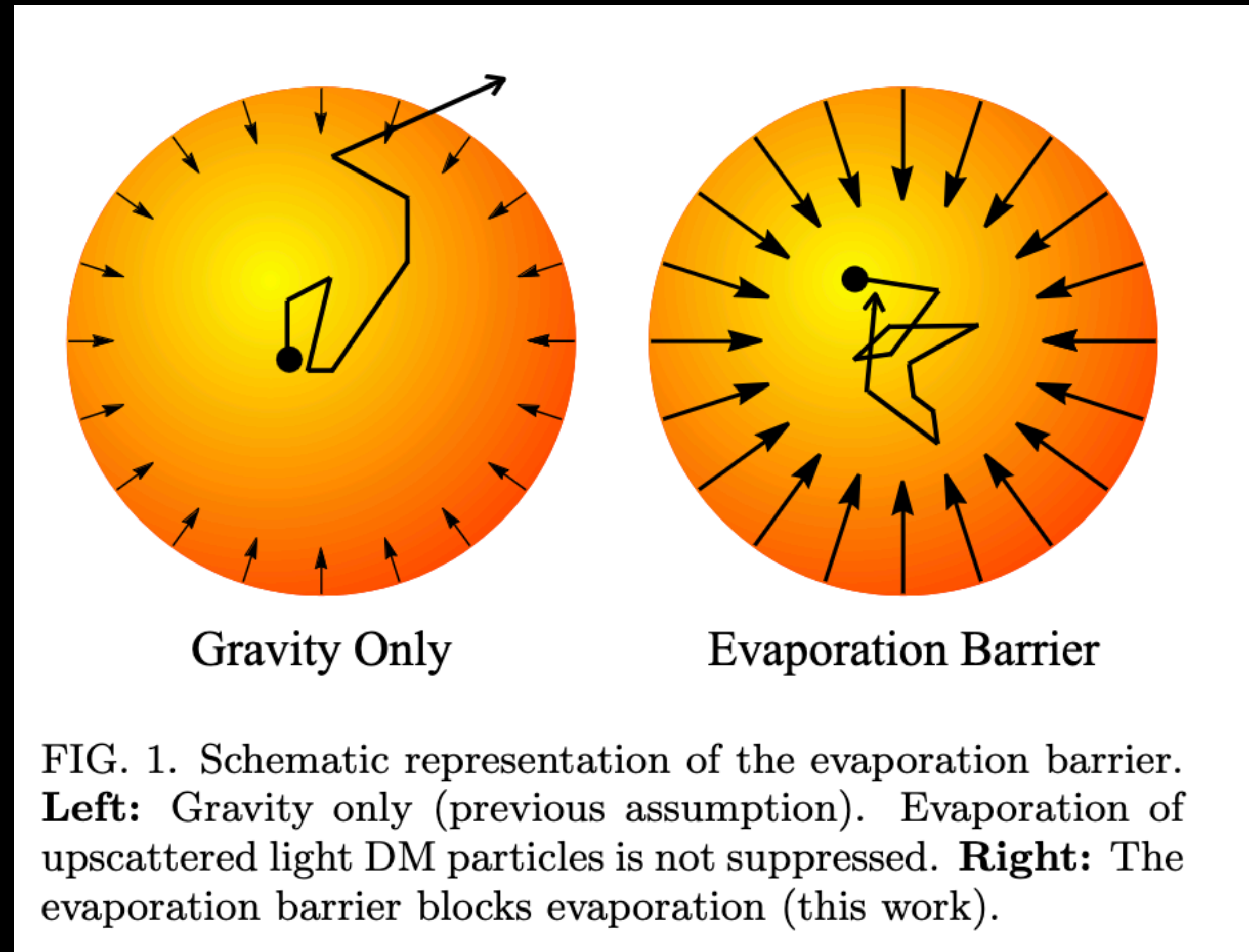


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Model Dependence of Evaporation



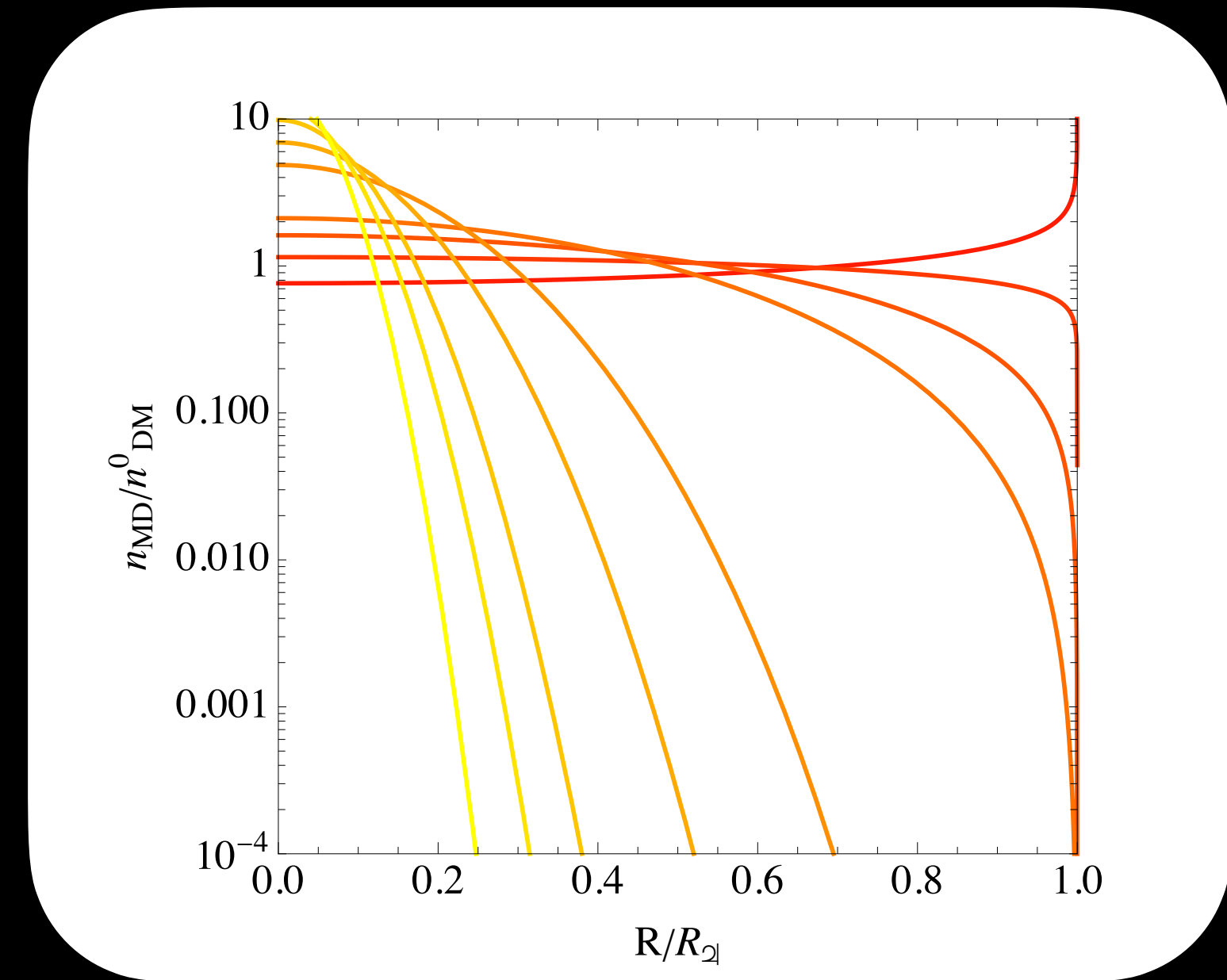
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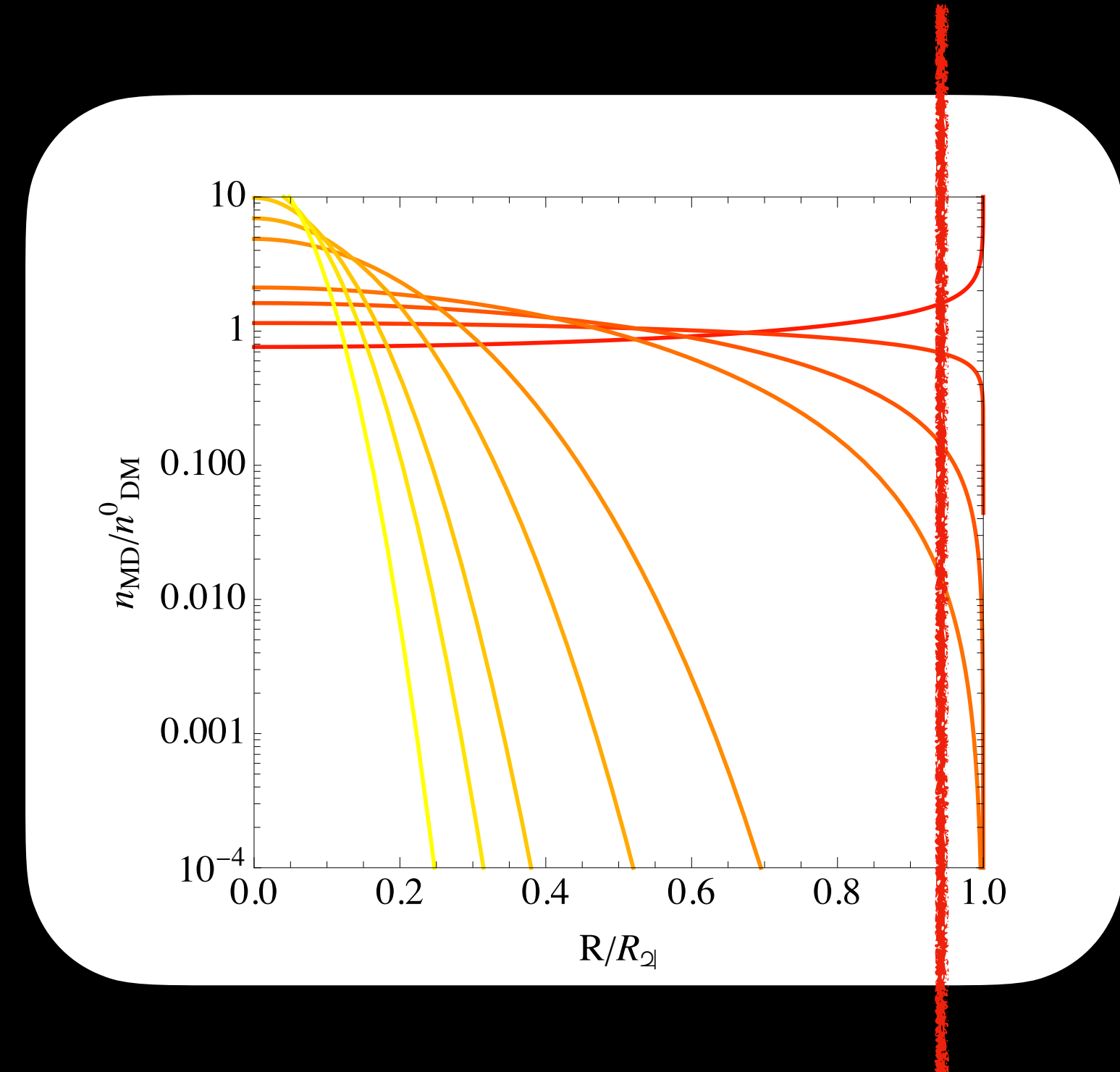


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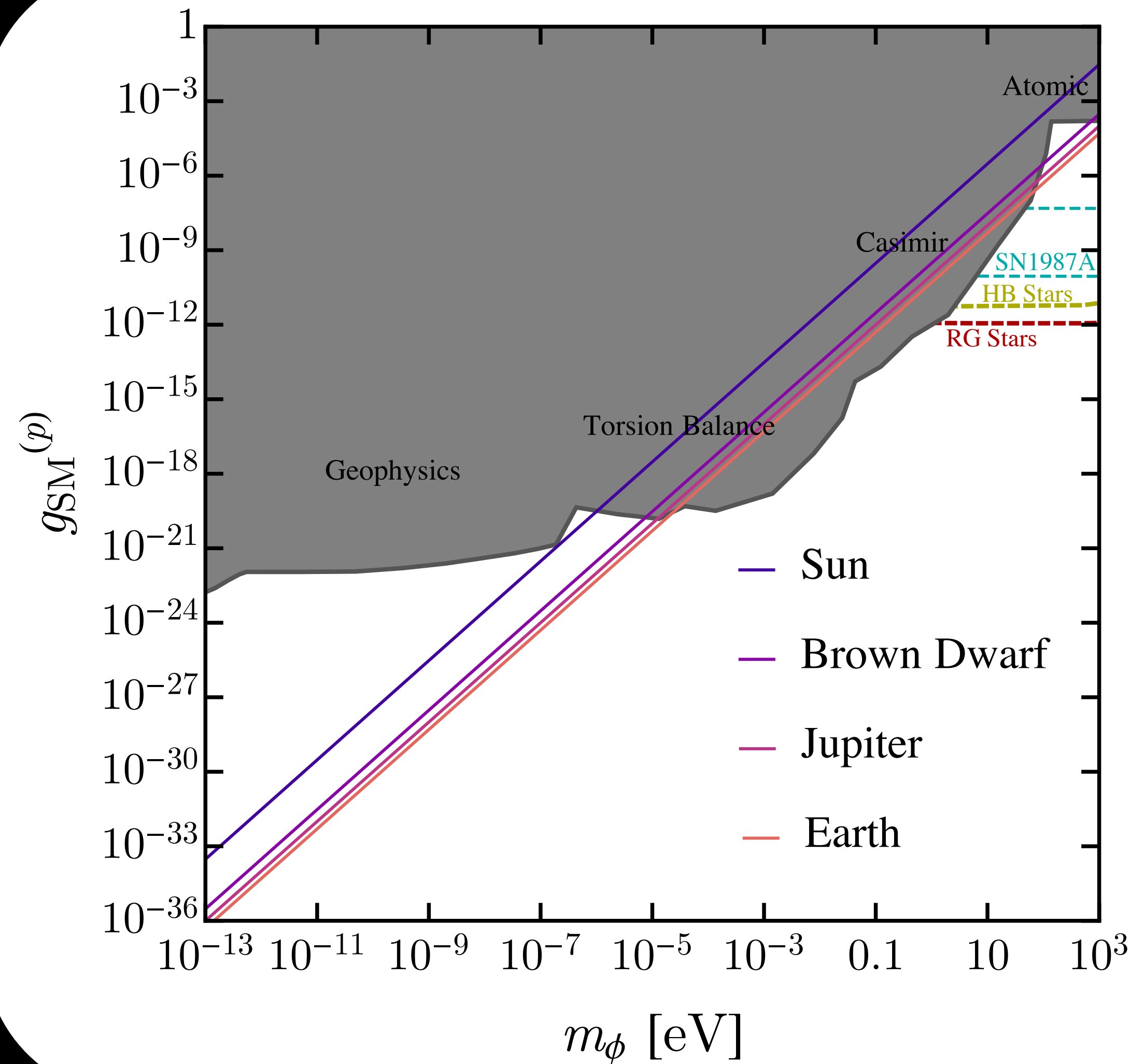
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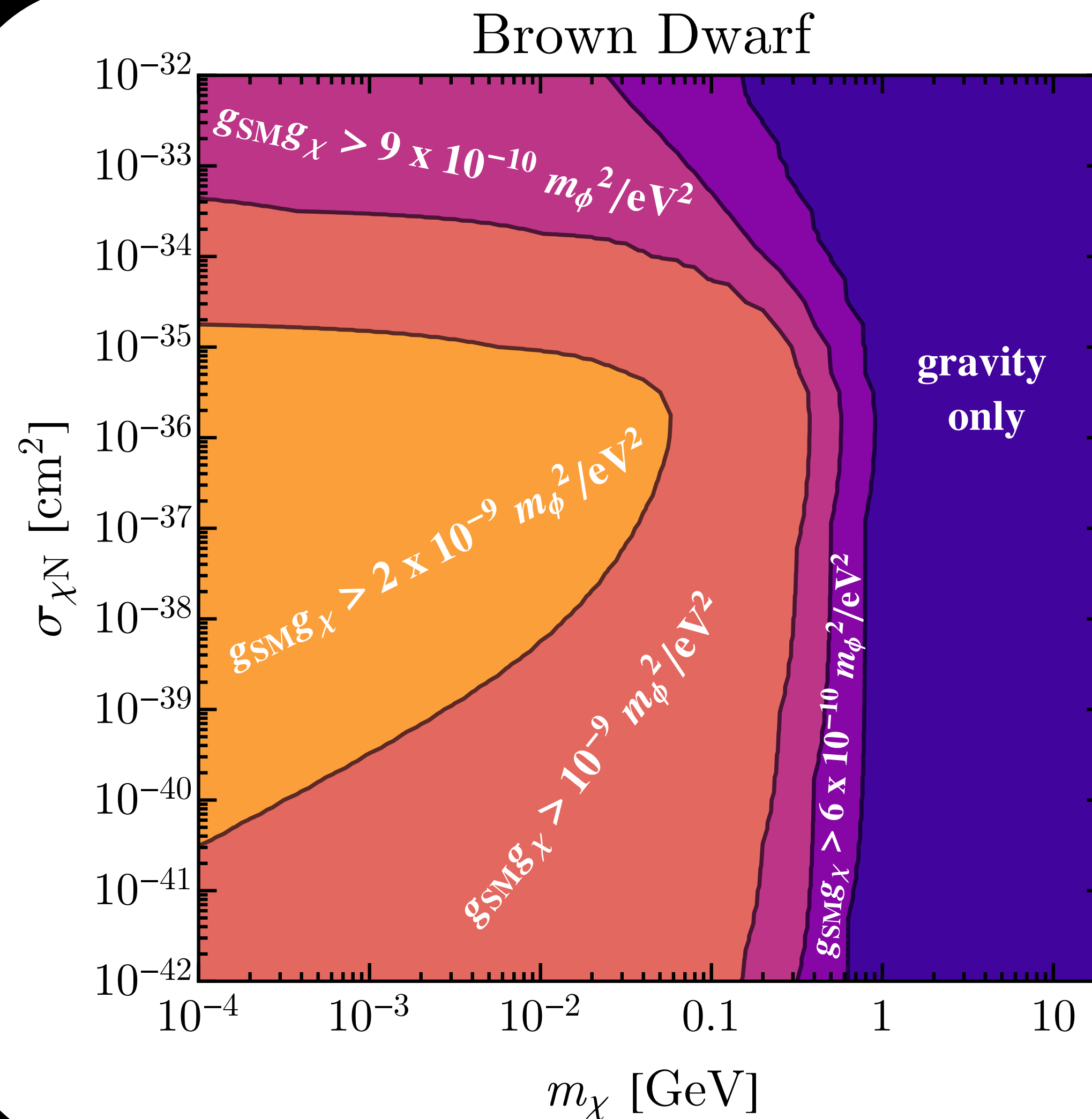


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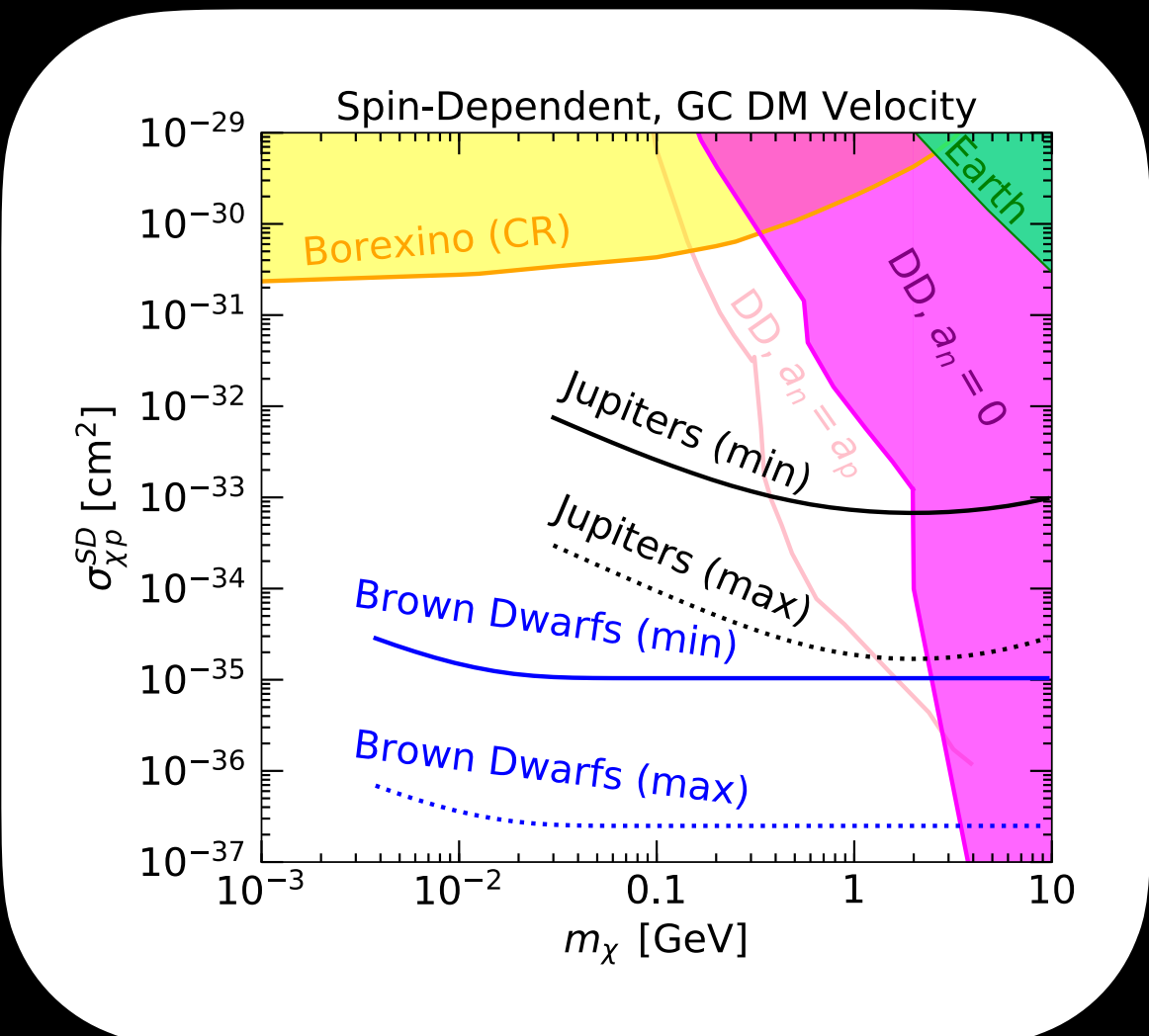
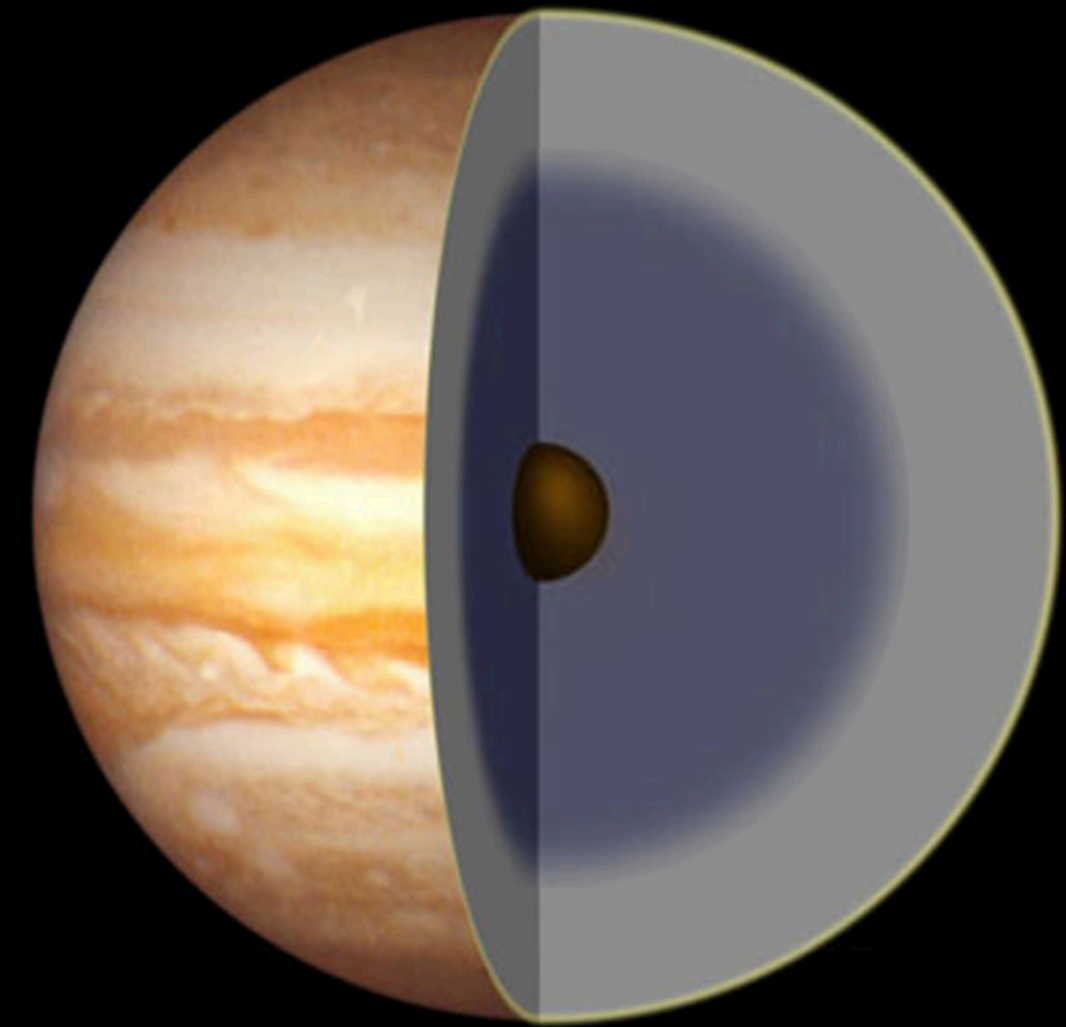
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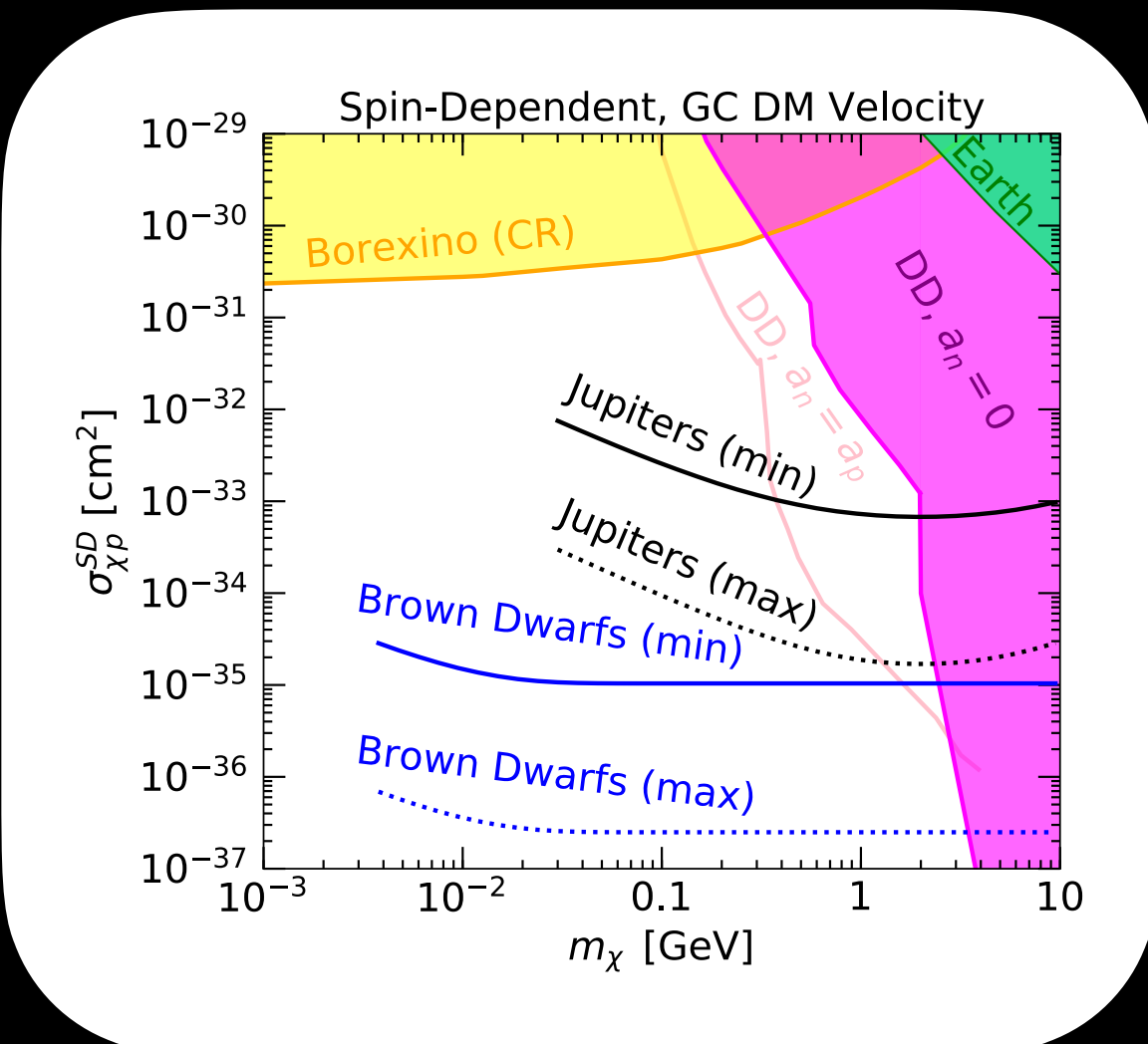
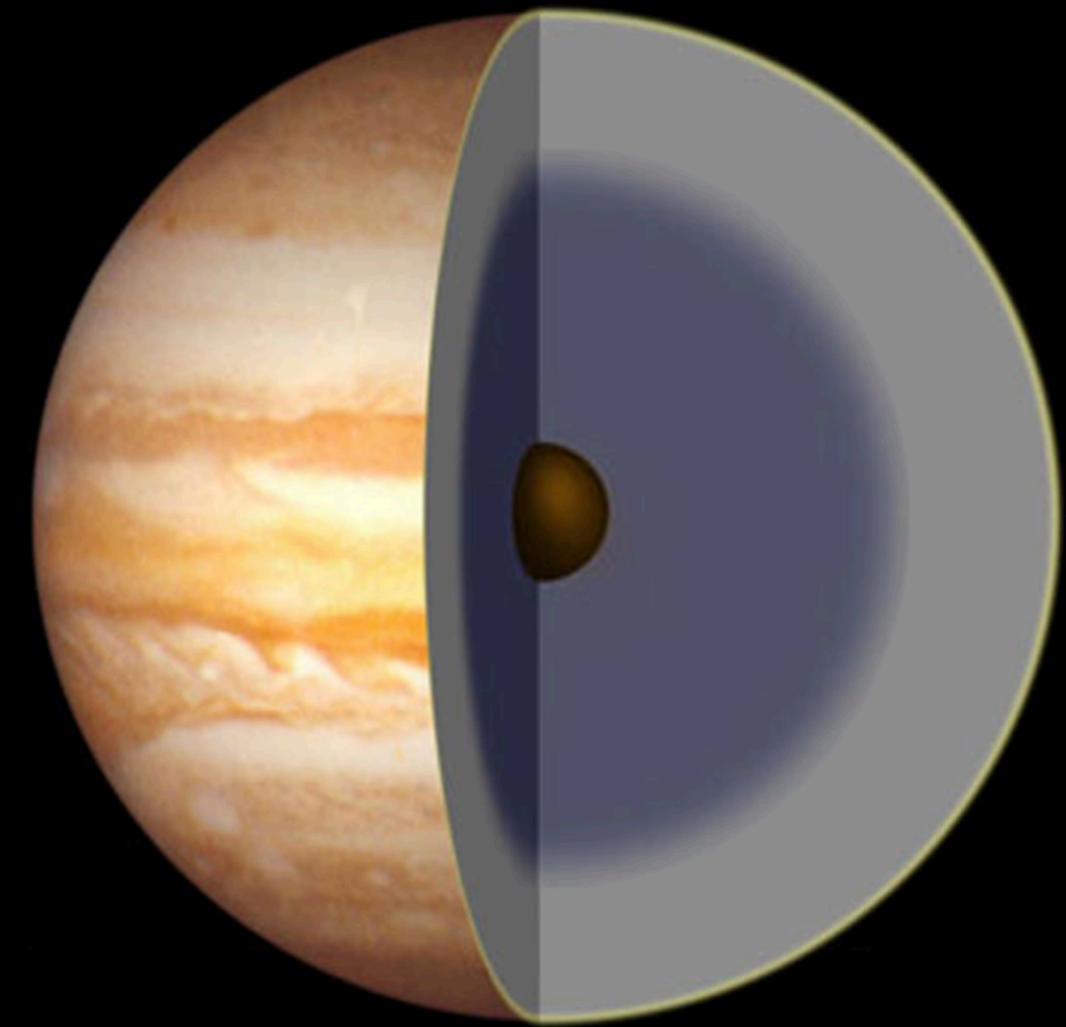
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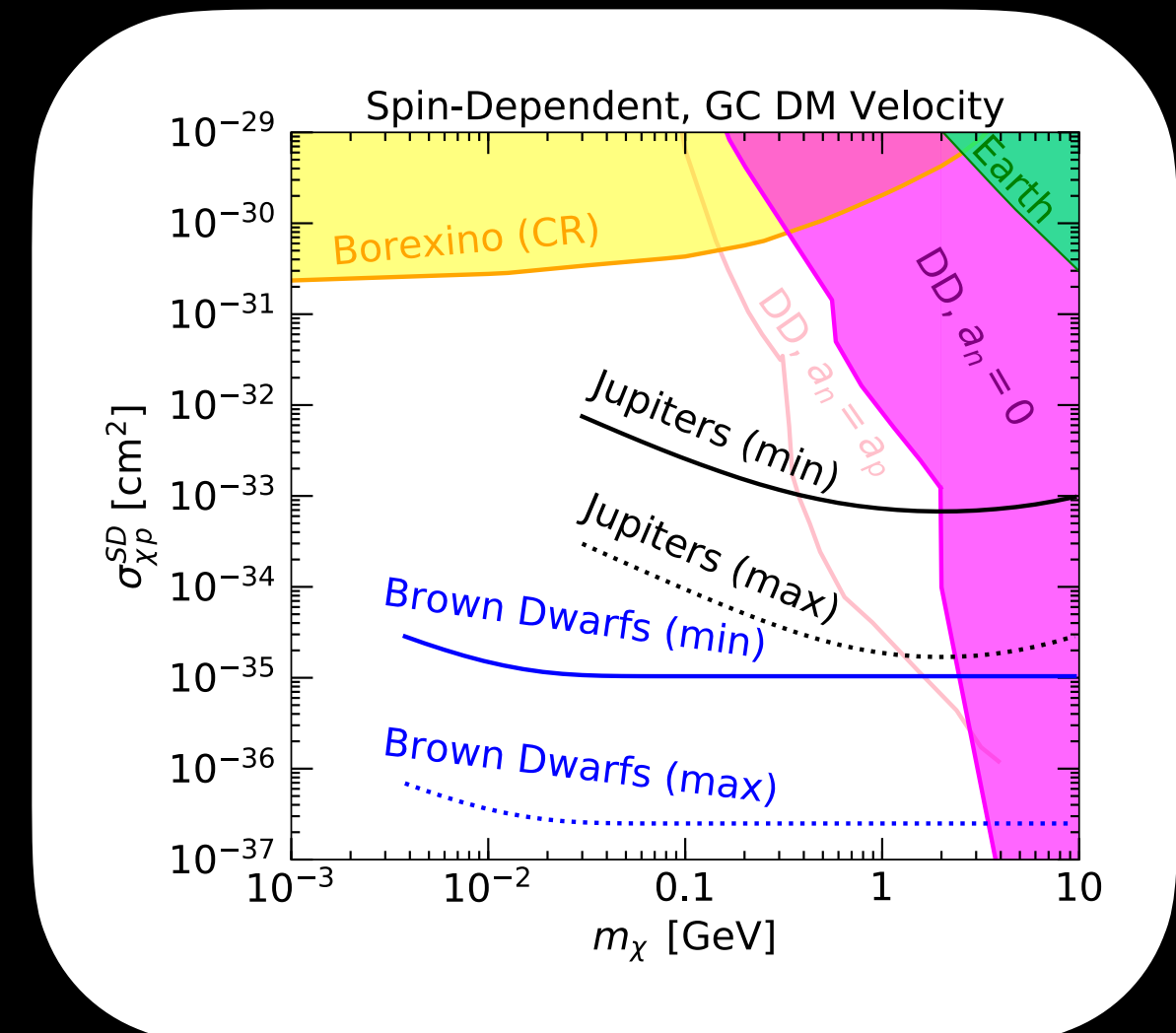
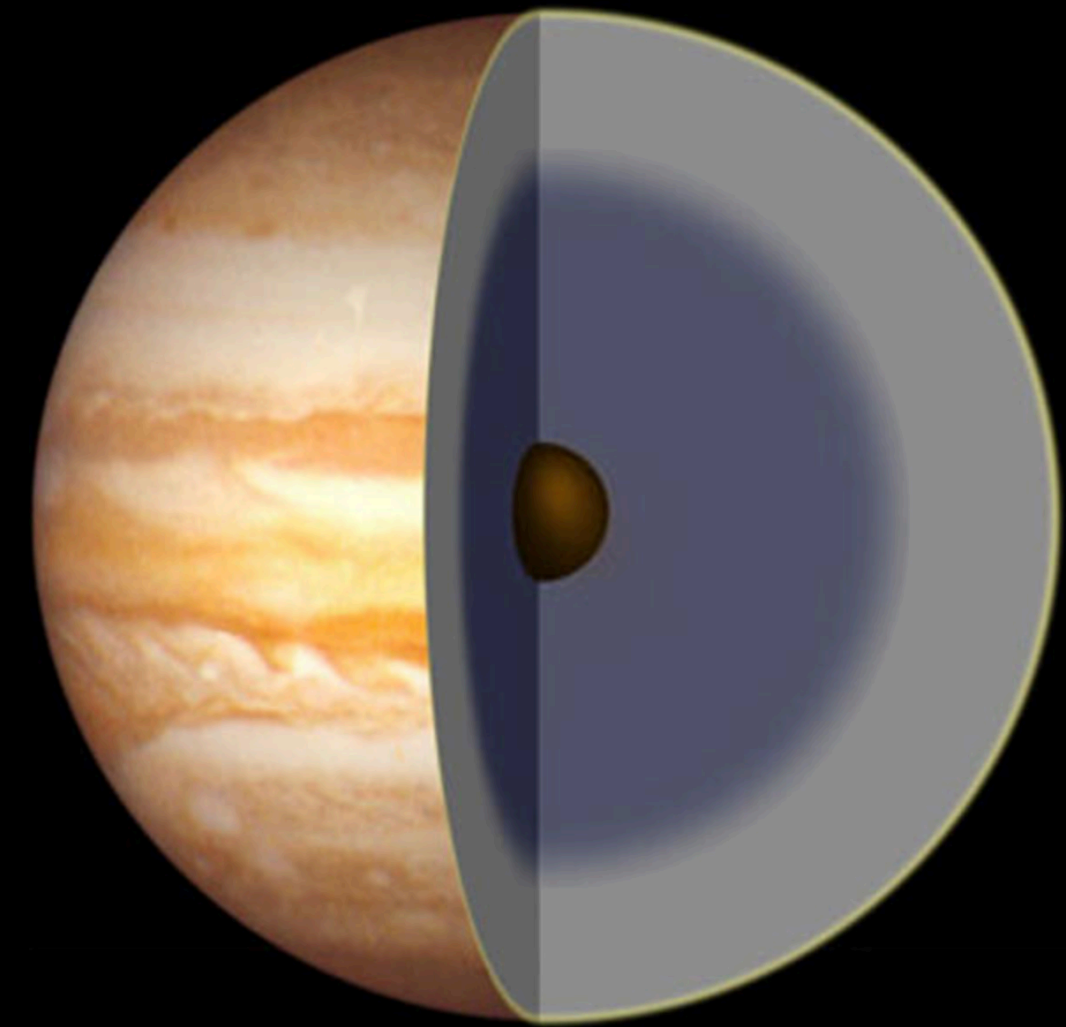
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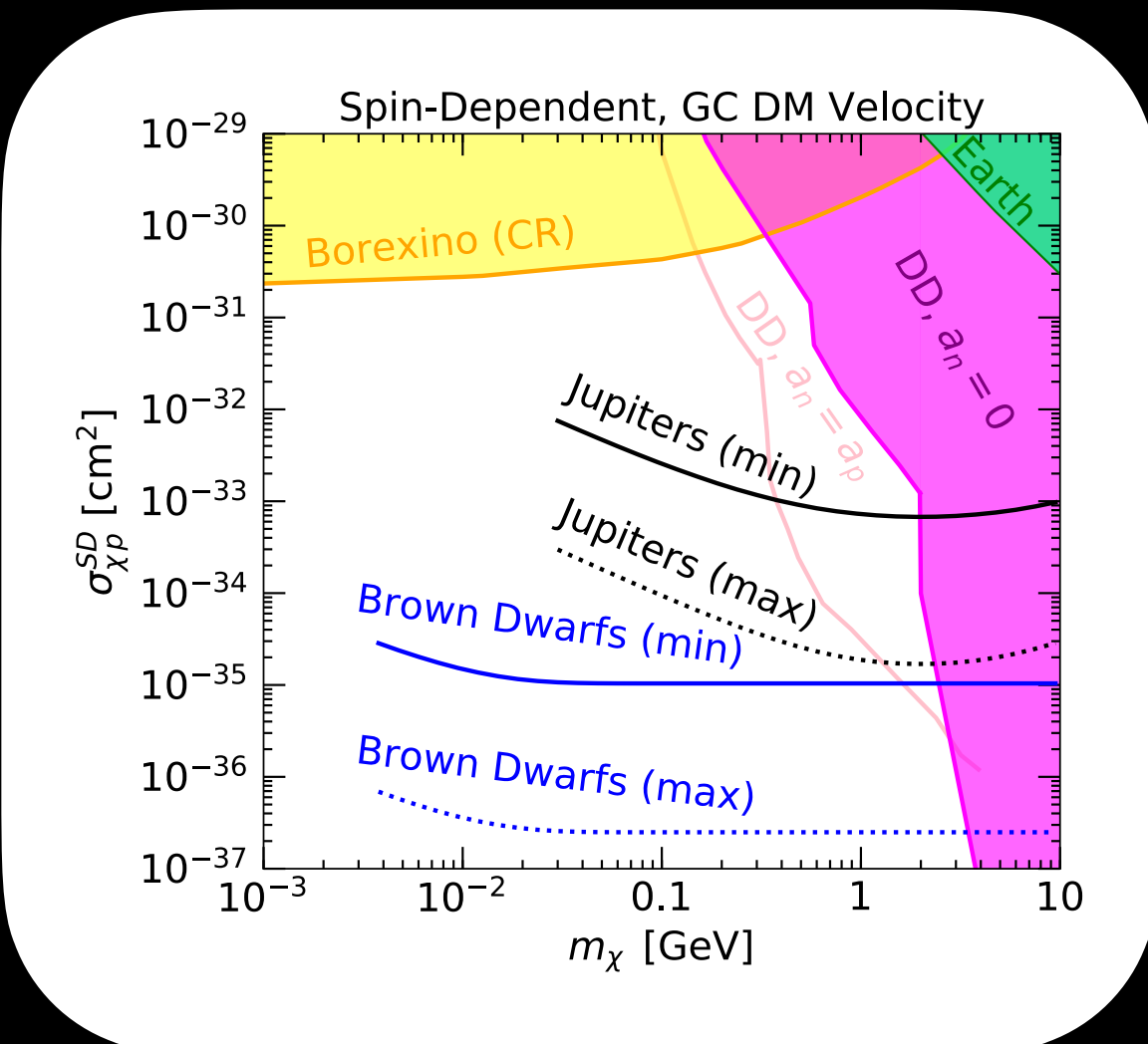
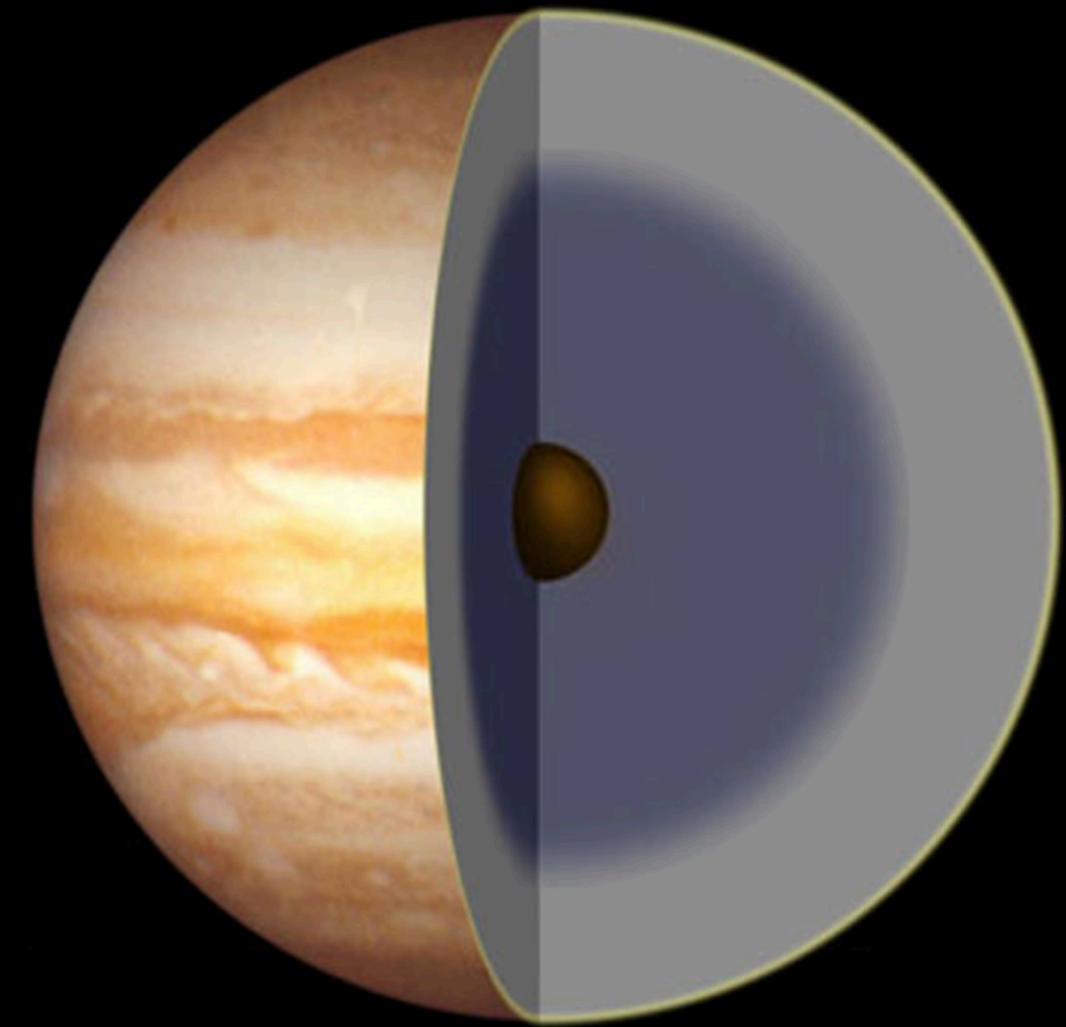
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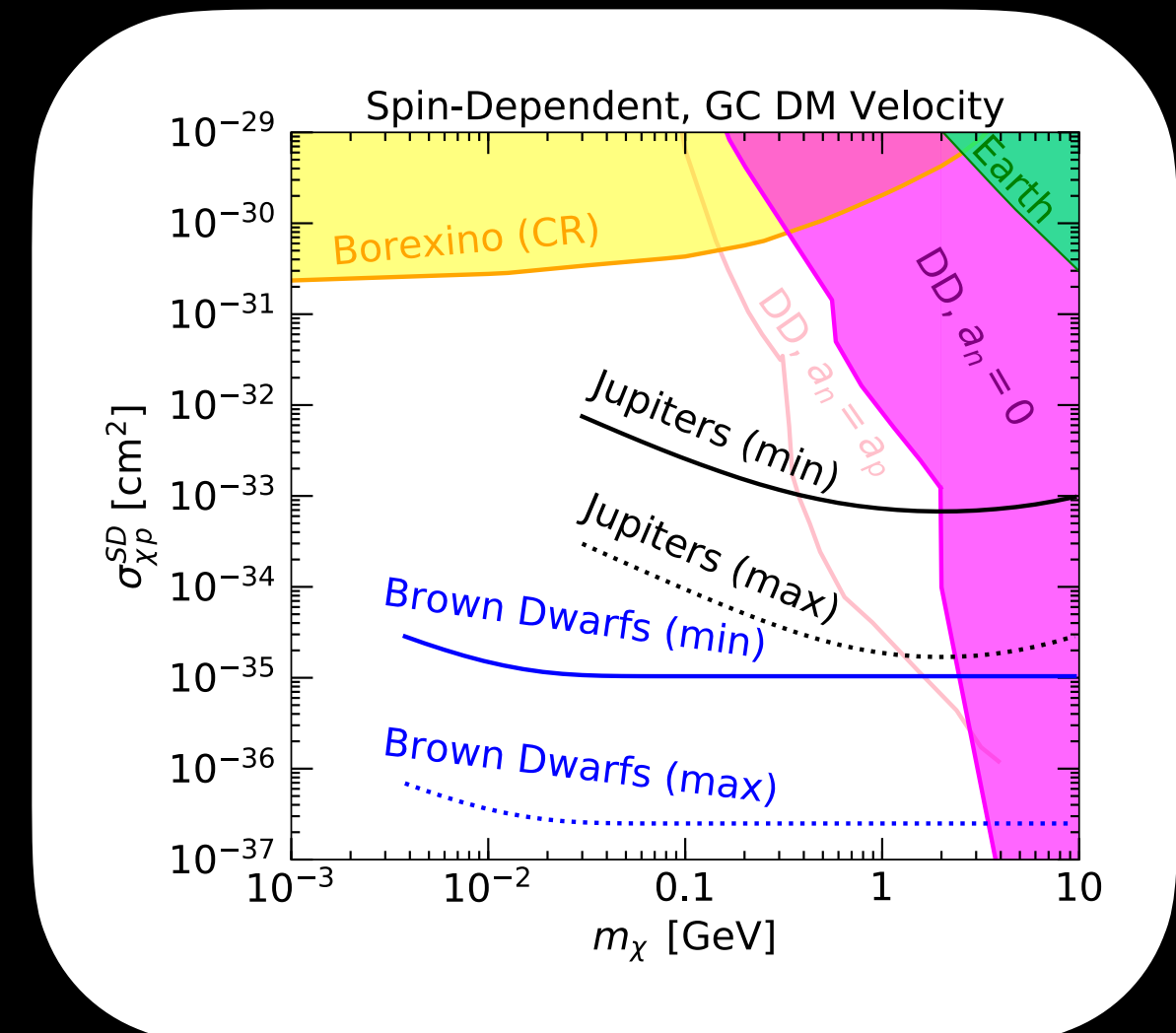
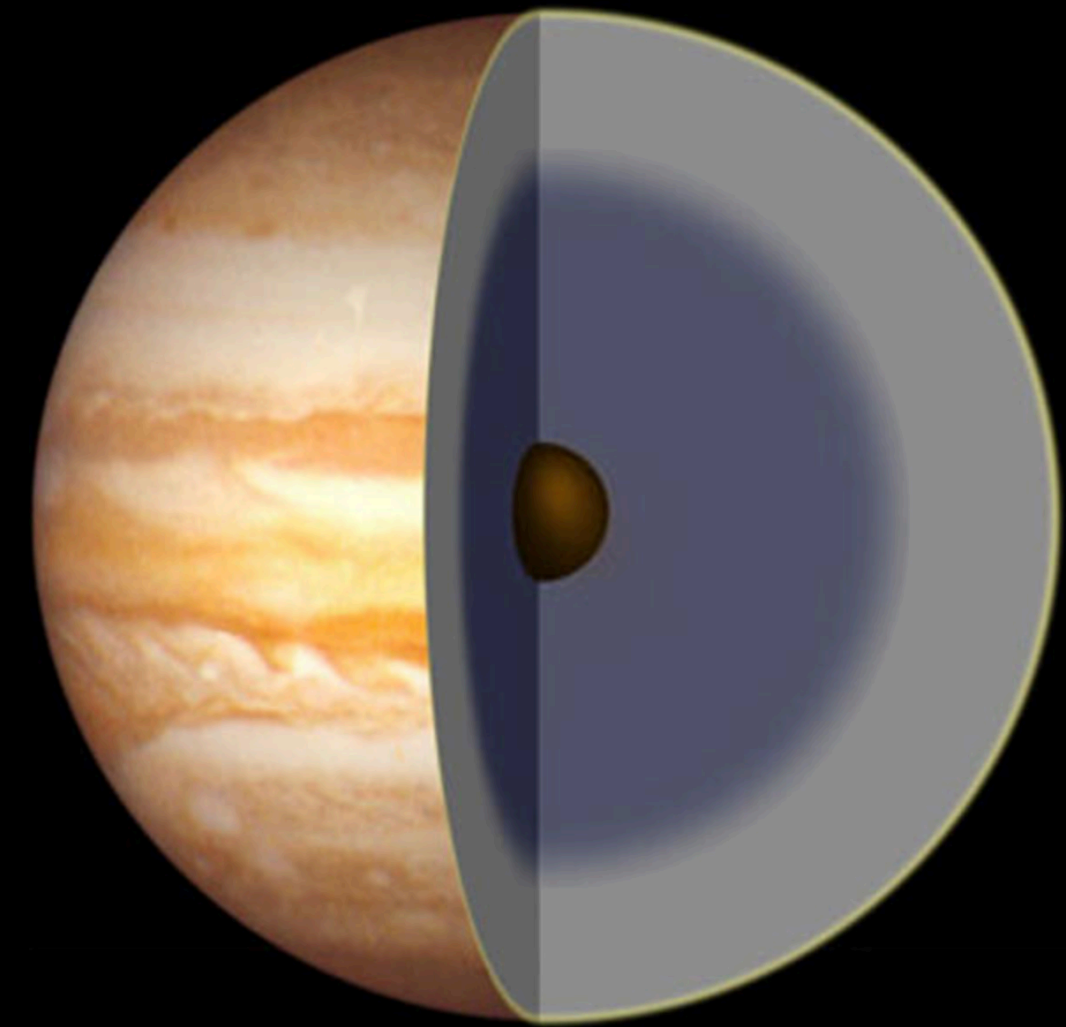
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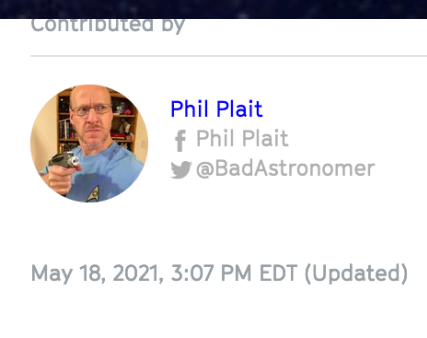
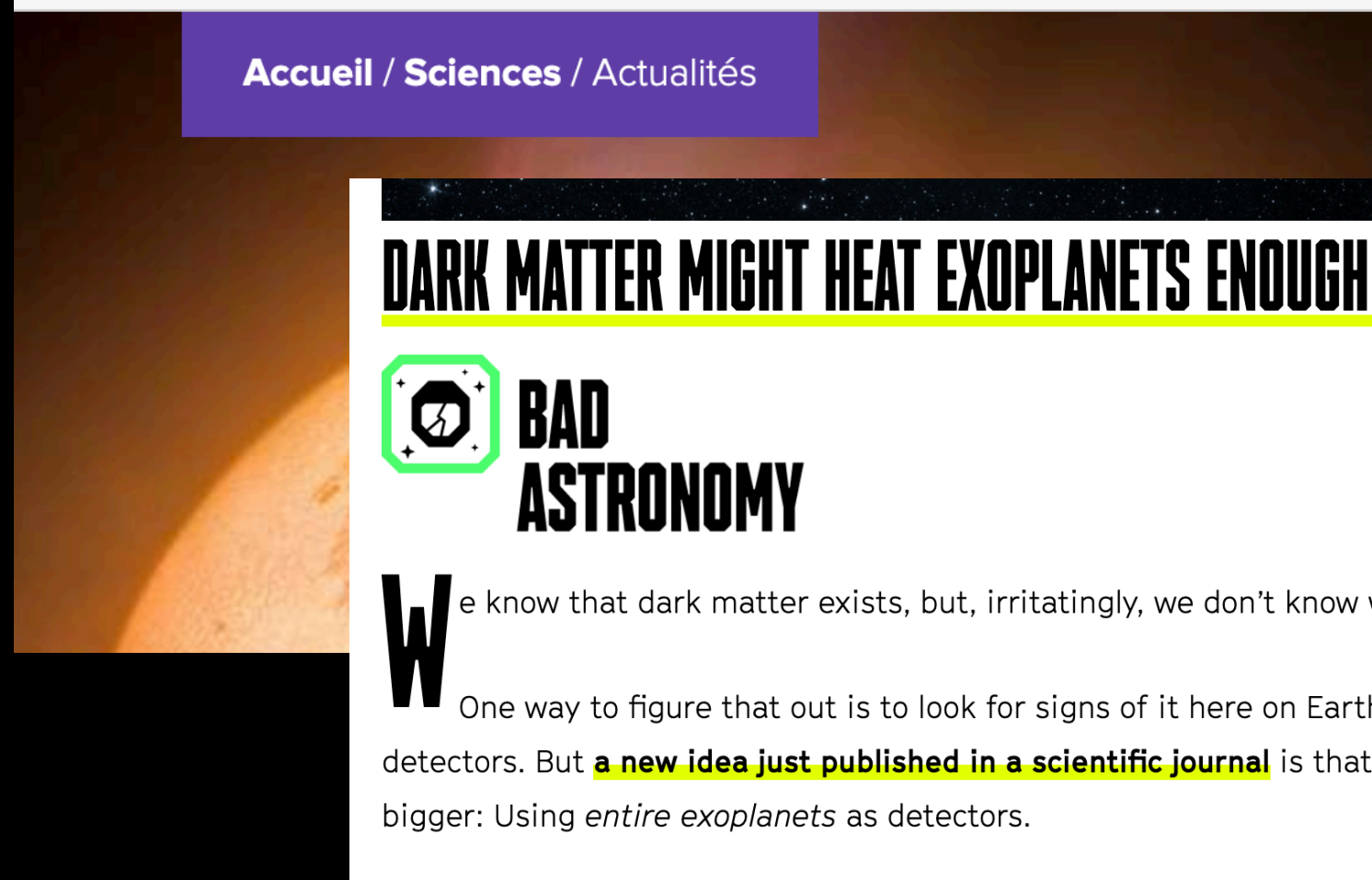
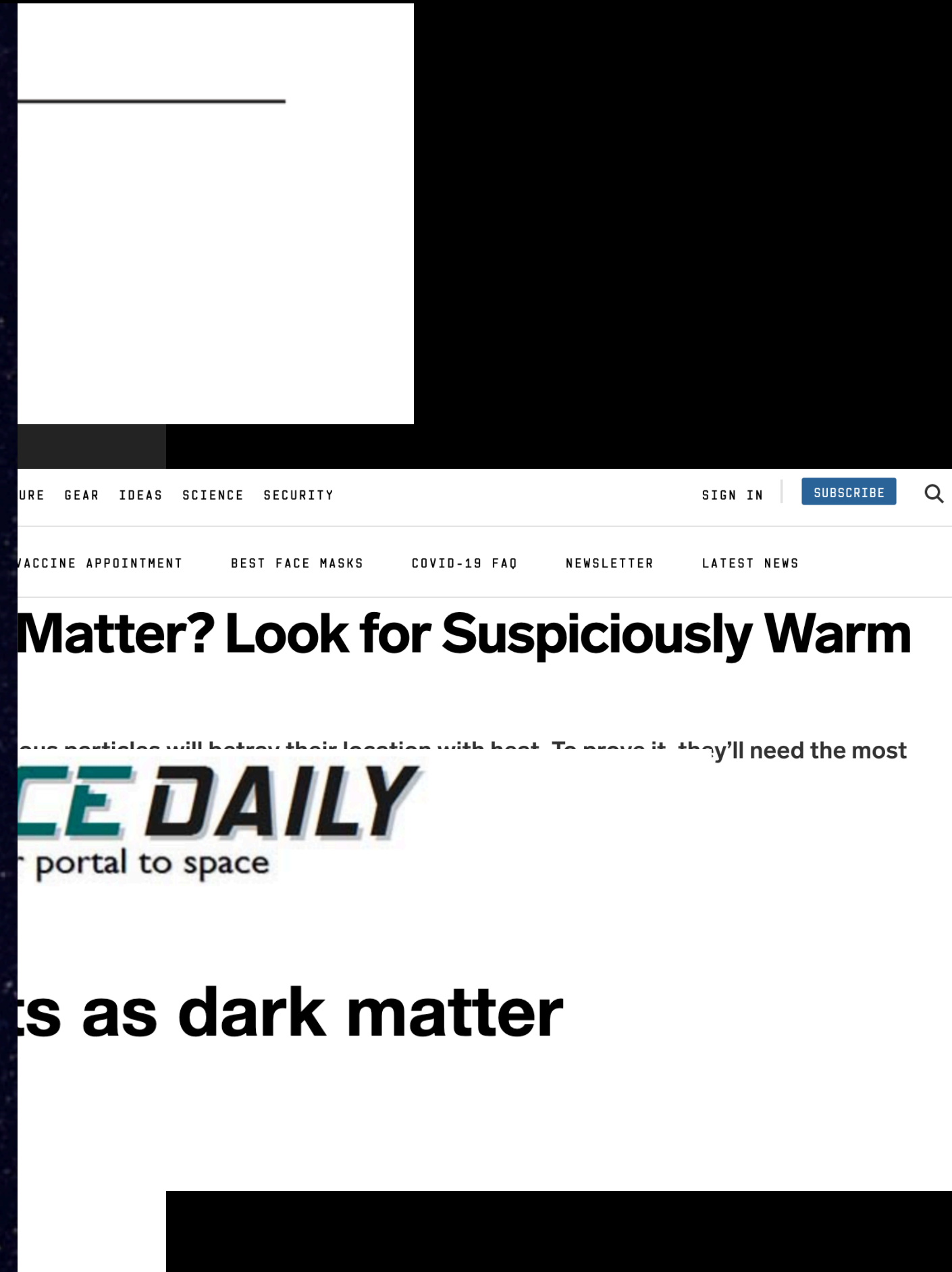
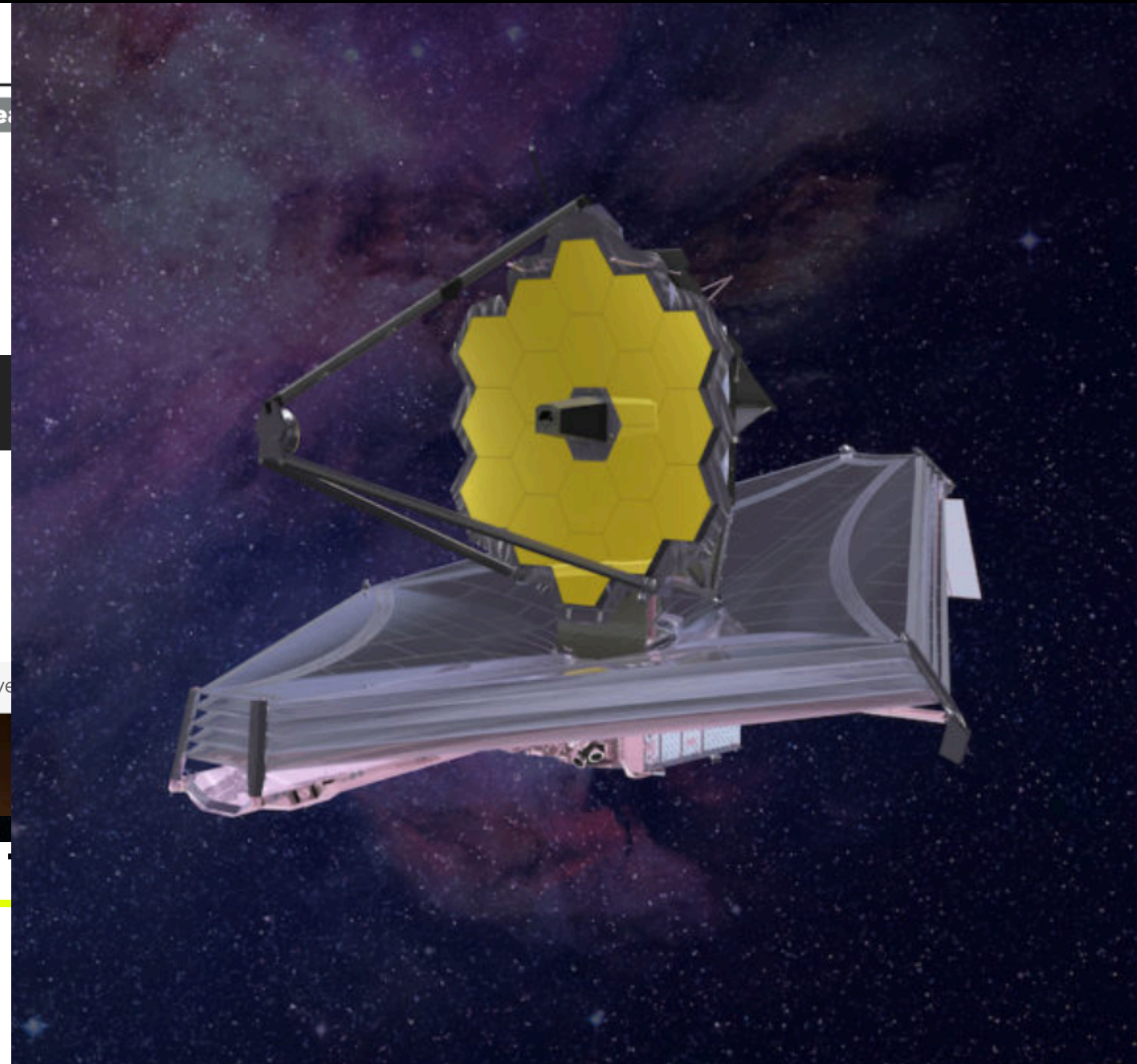
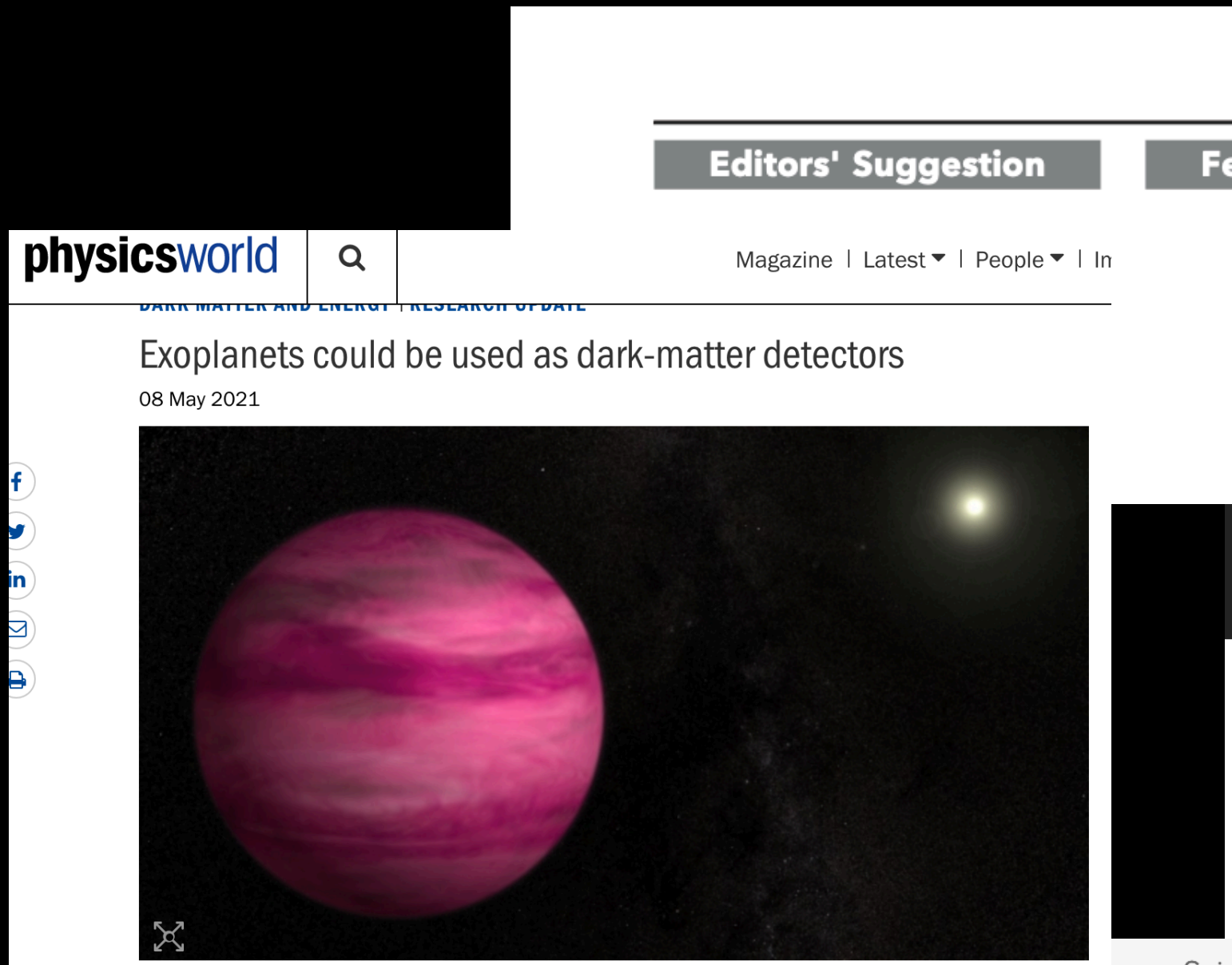


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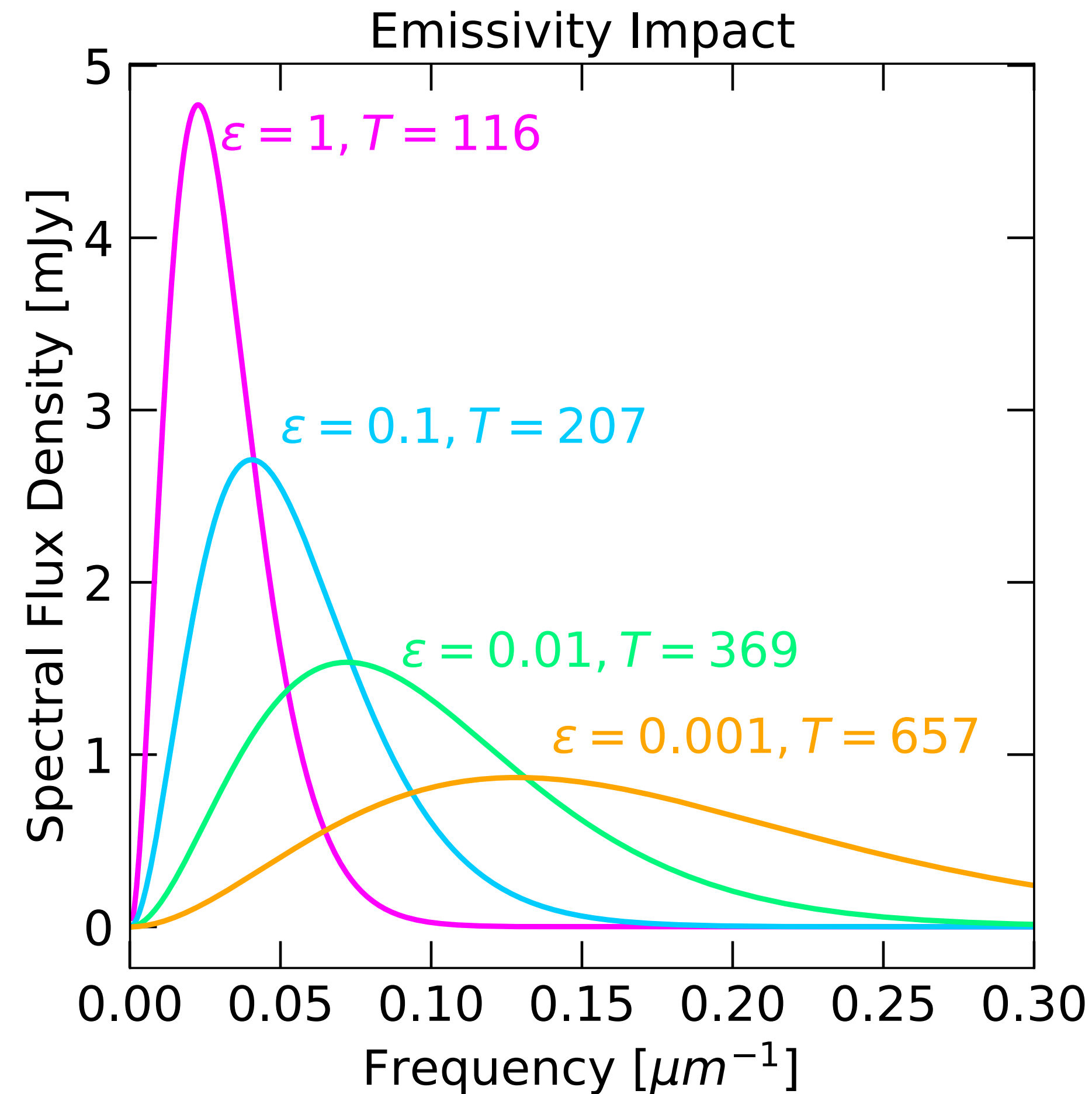


New Worlds Ahead



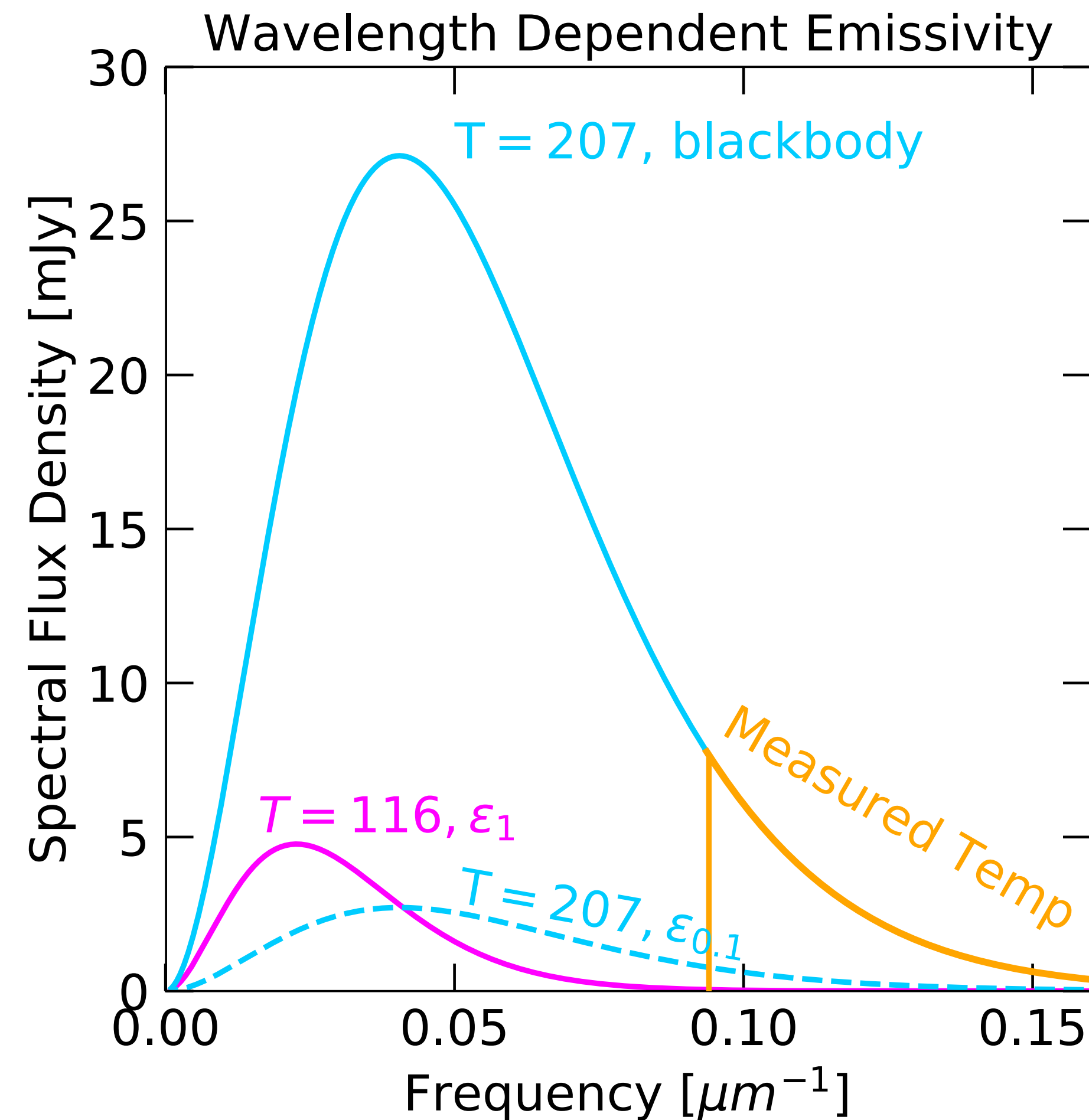
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Atmospheric Emissivity



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Model dependent Evaporation

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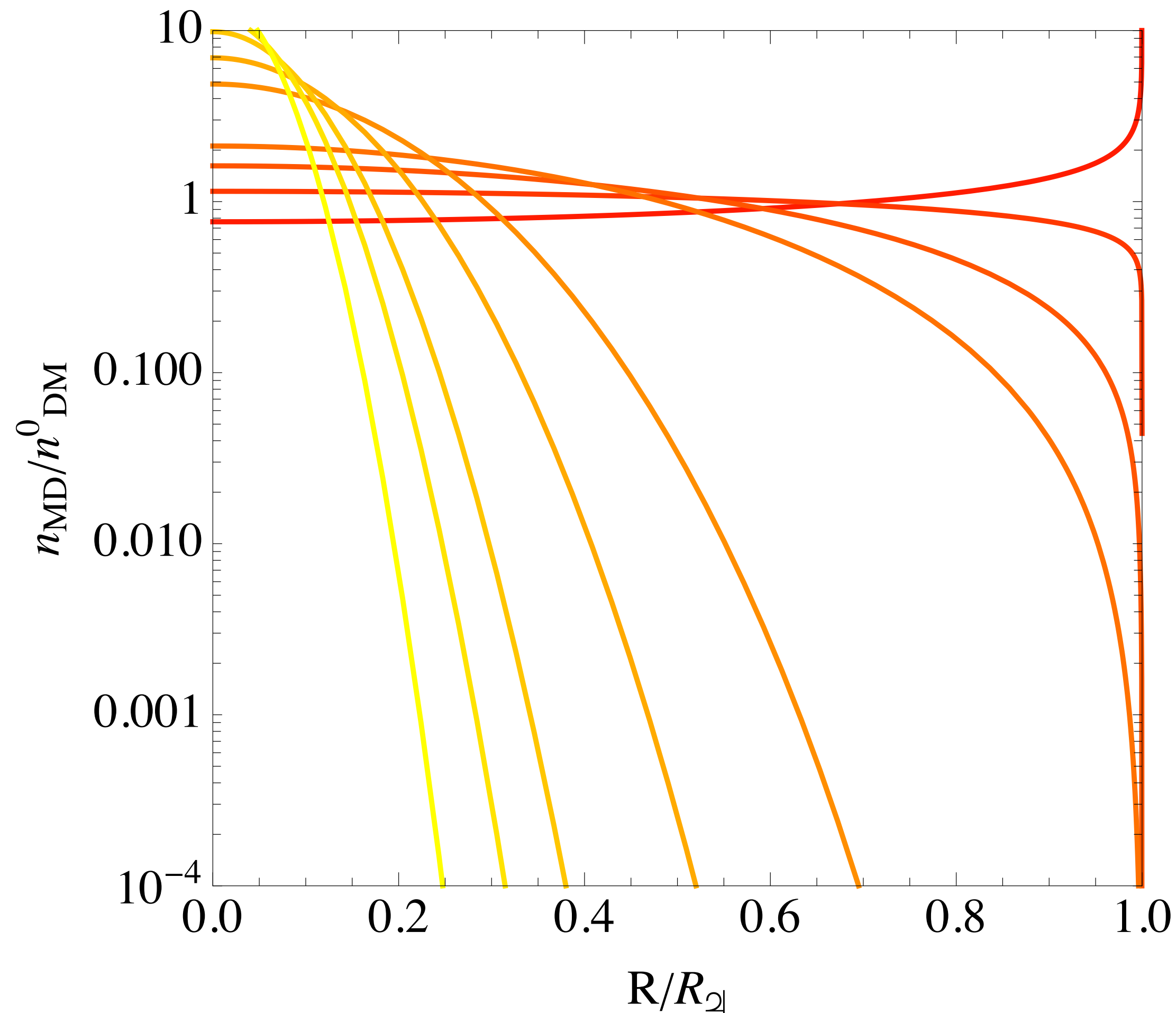
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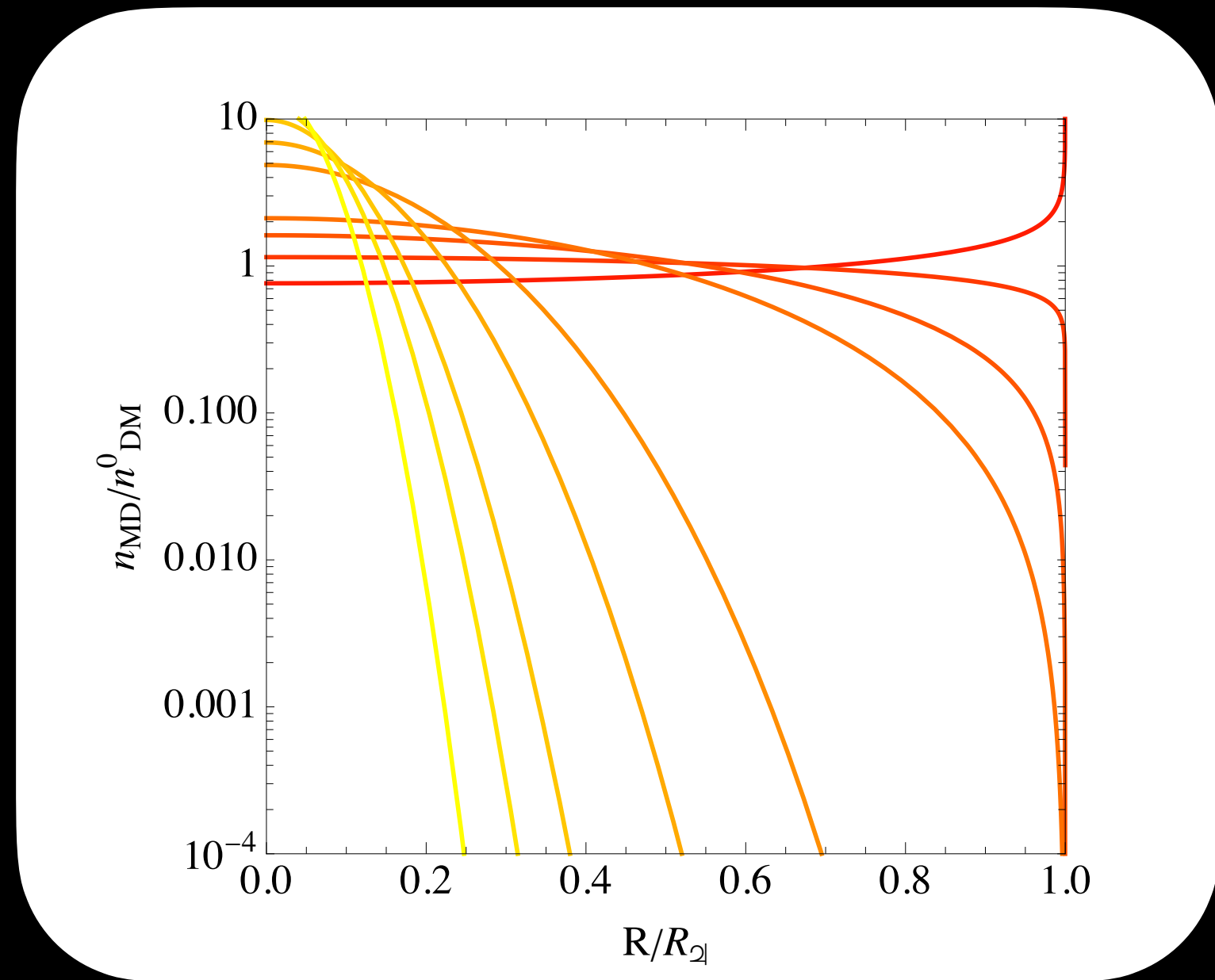
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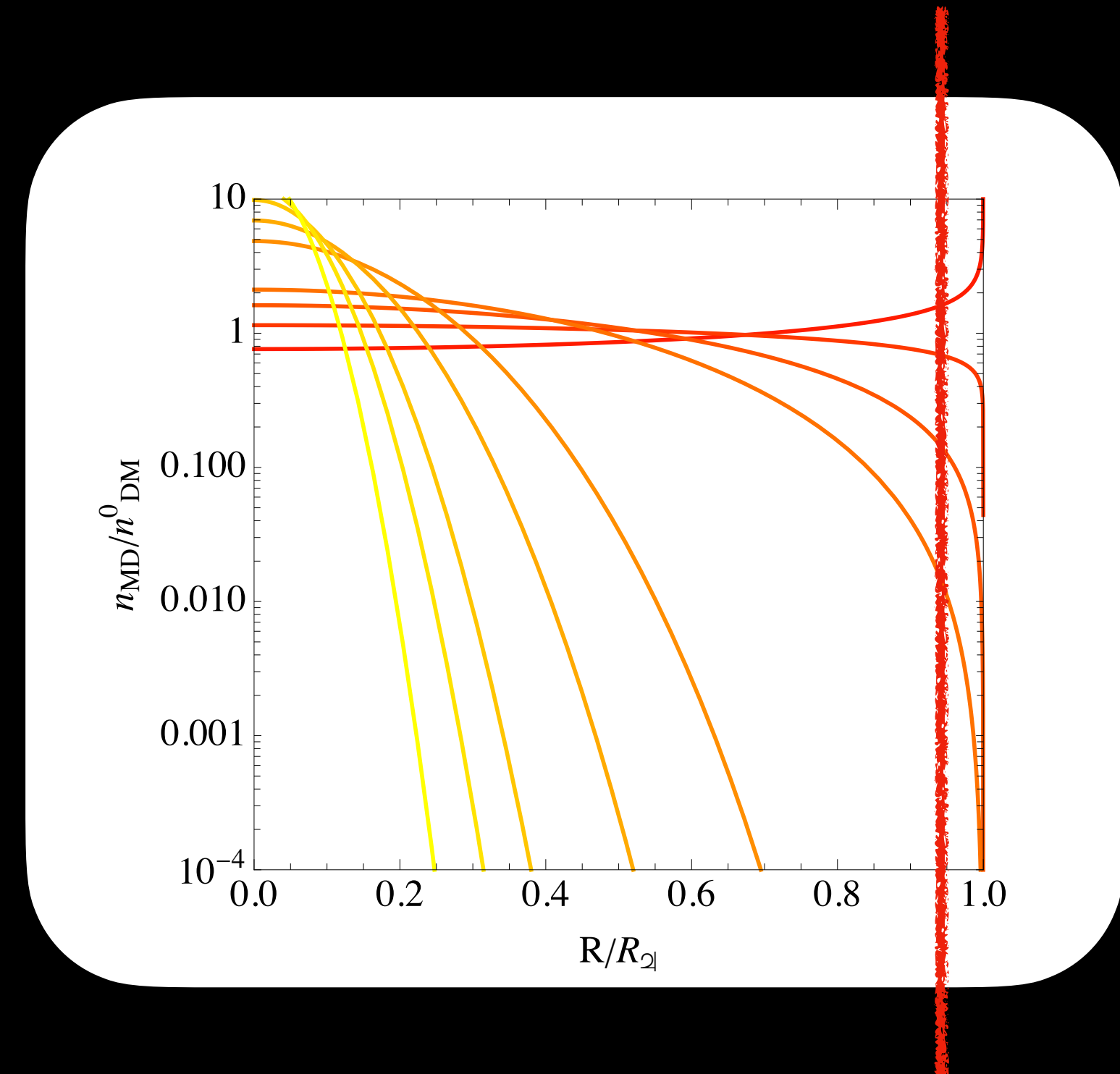
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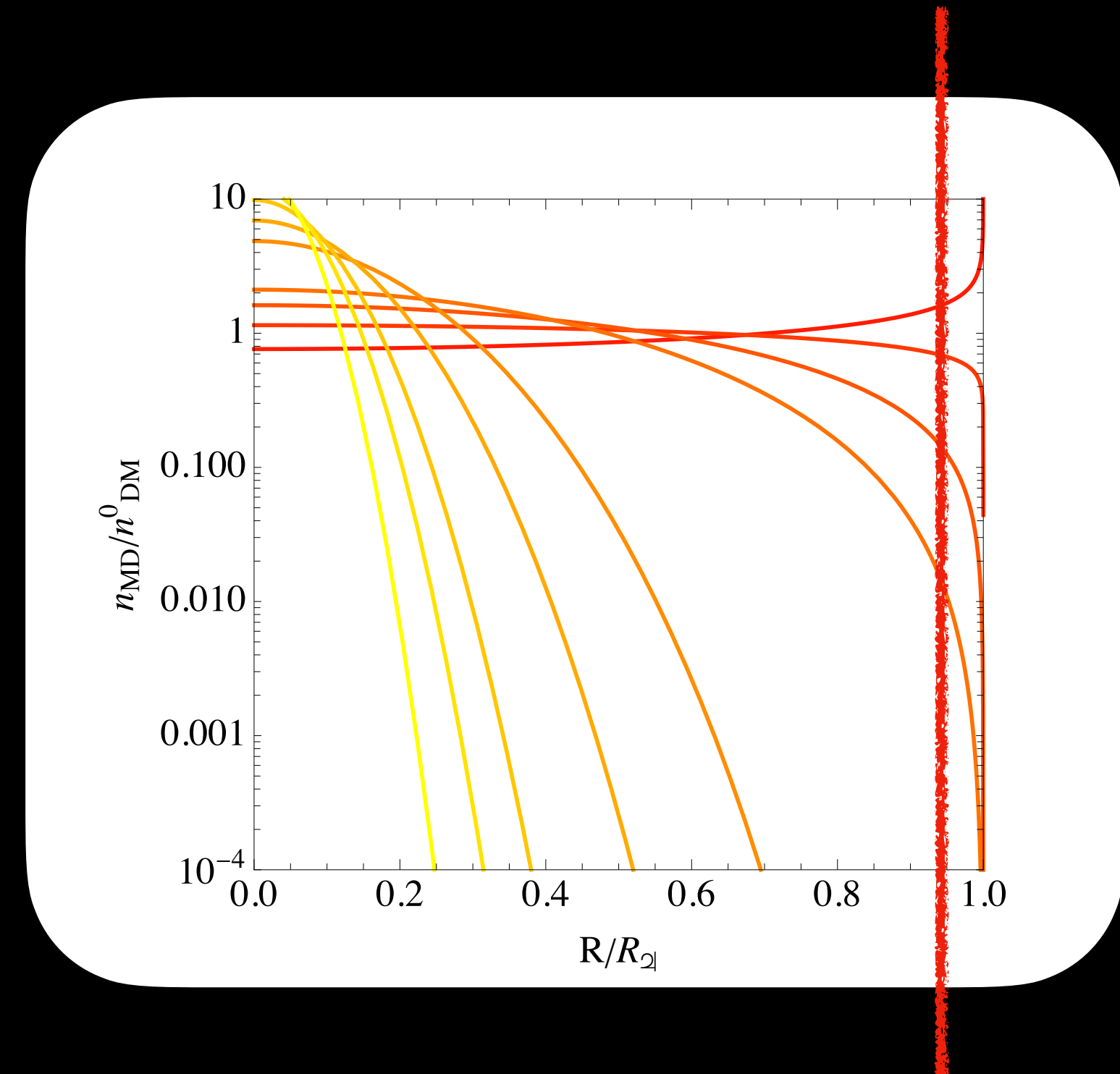
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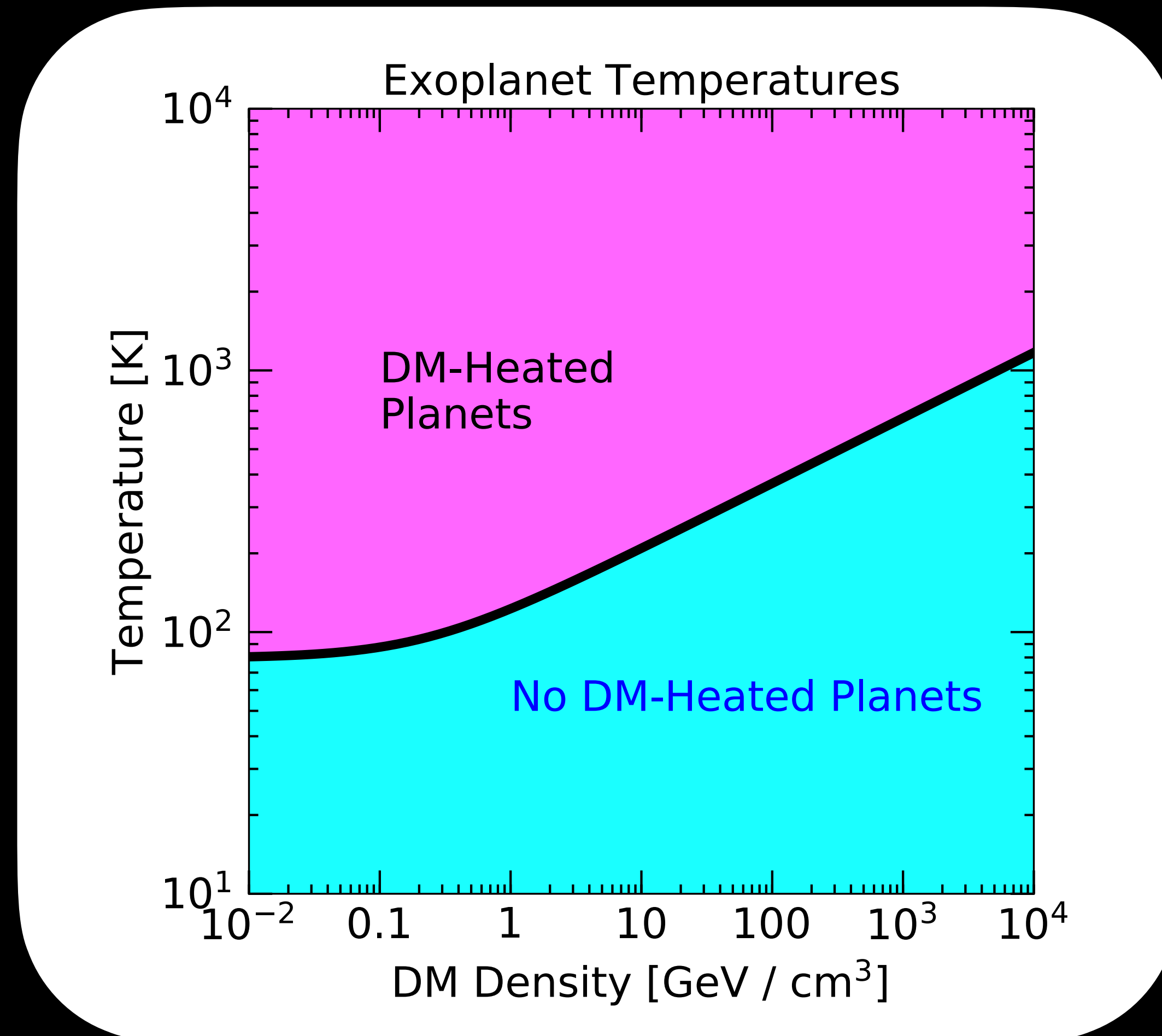
Dominates:

$$m_V \sim 10^{-7} \text{eV} \Rightarrow \alpha > 10^{-24}$$



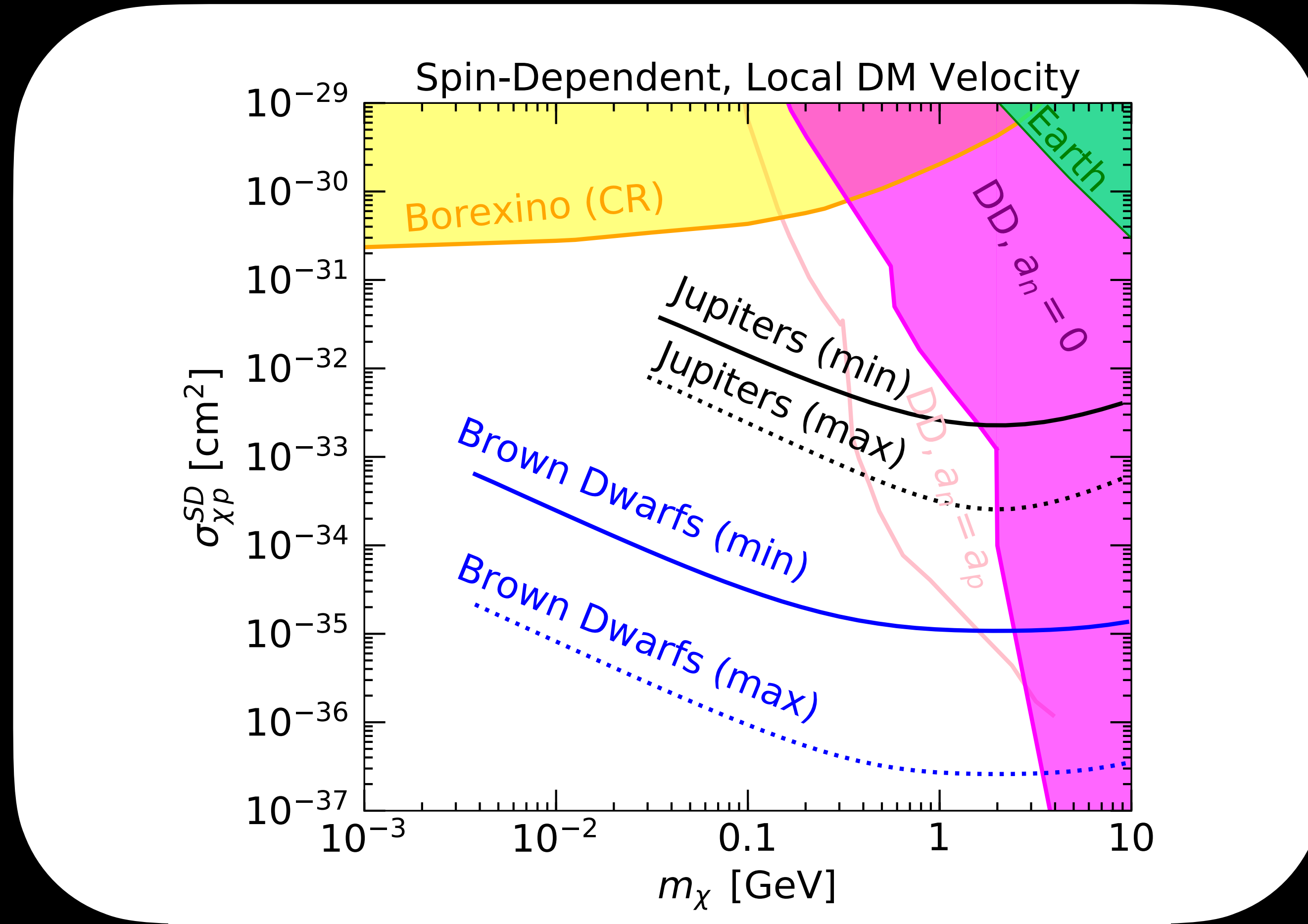
3: Localized DM Overdensities

How Dense is too Dense?



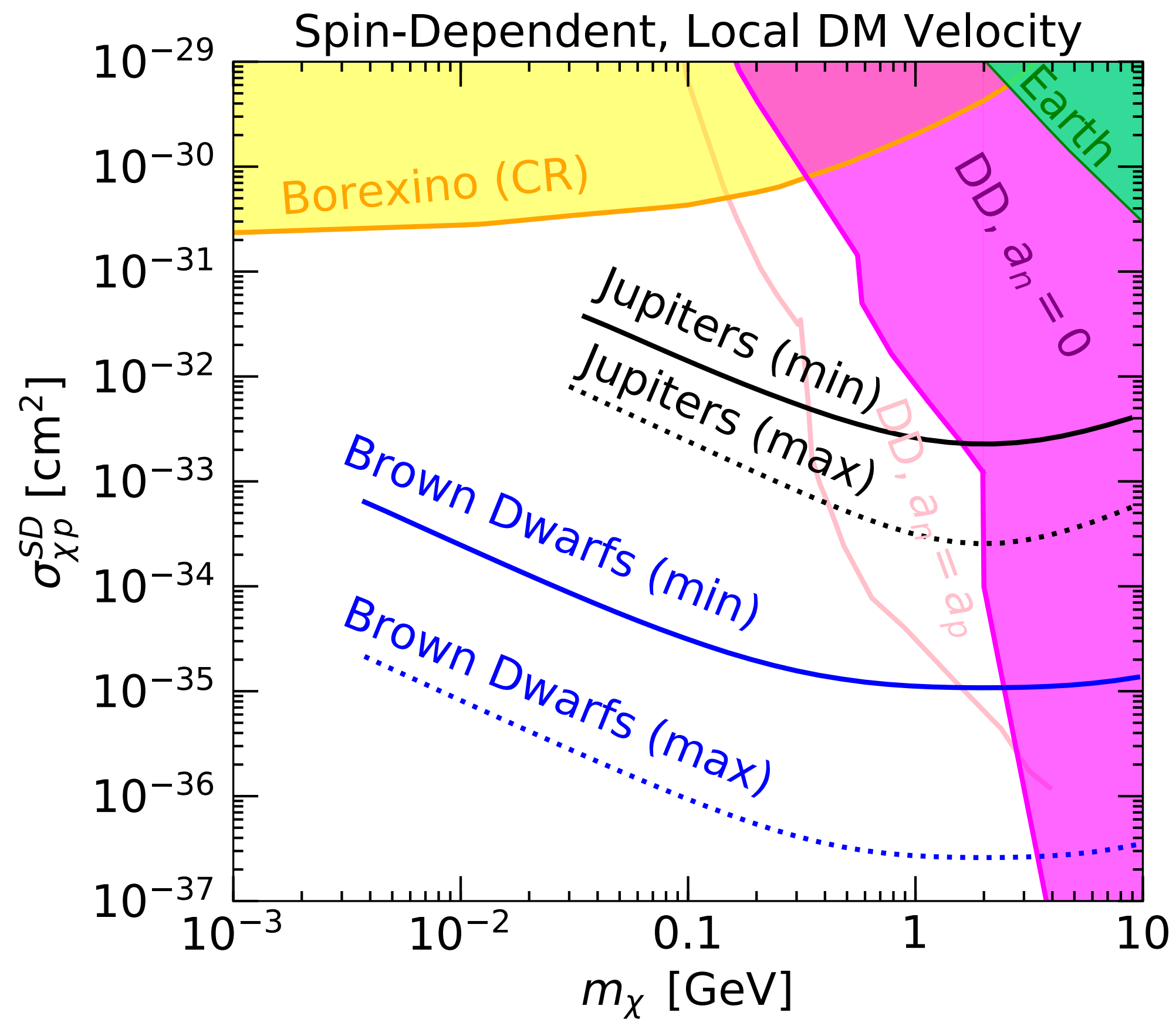
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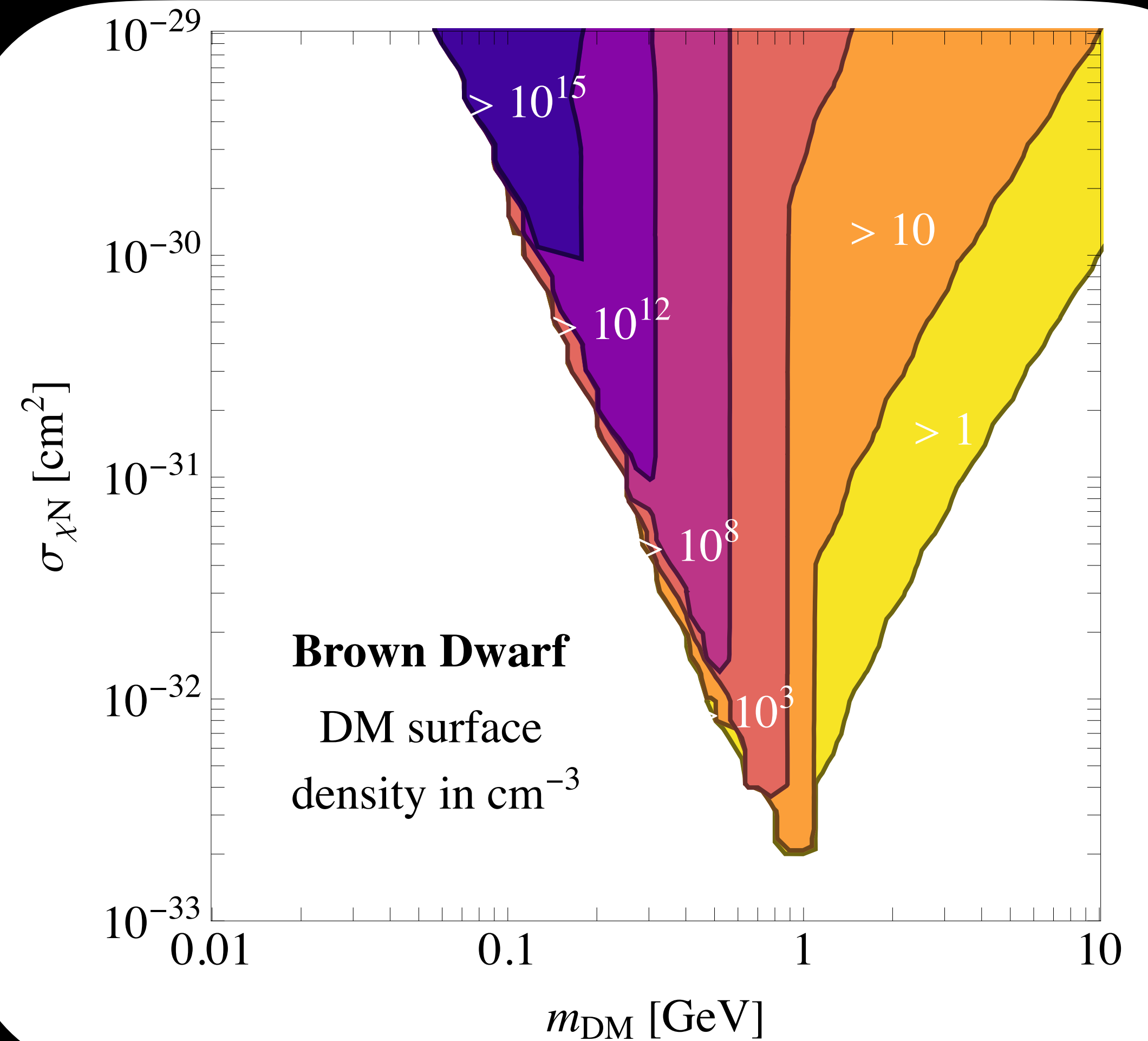


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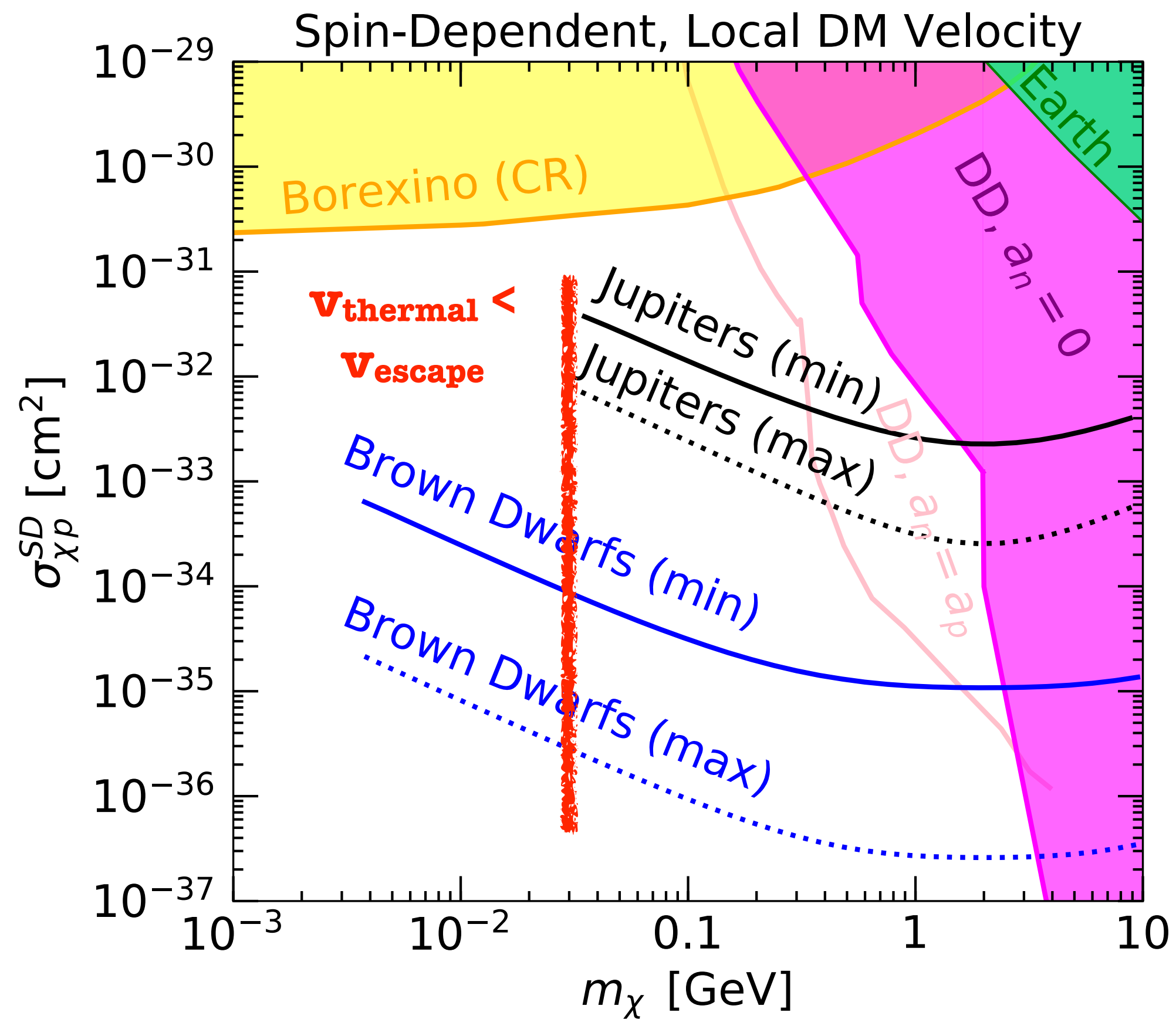


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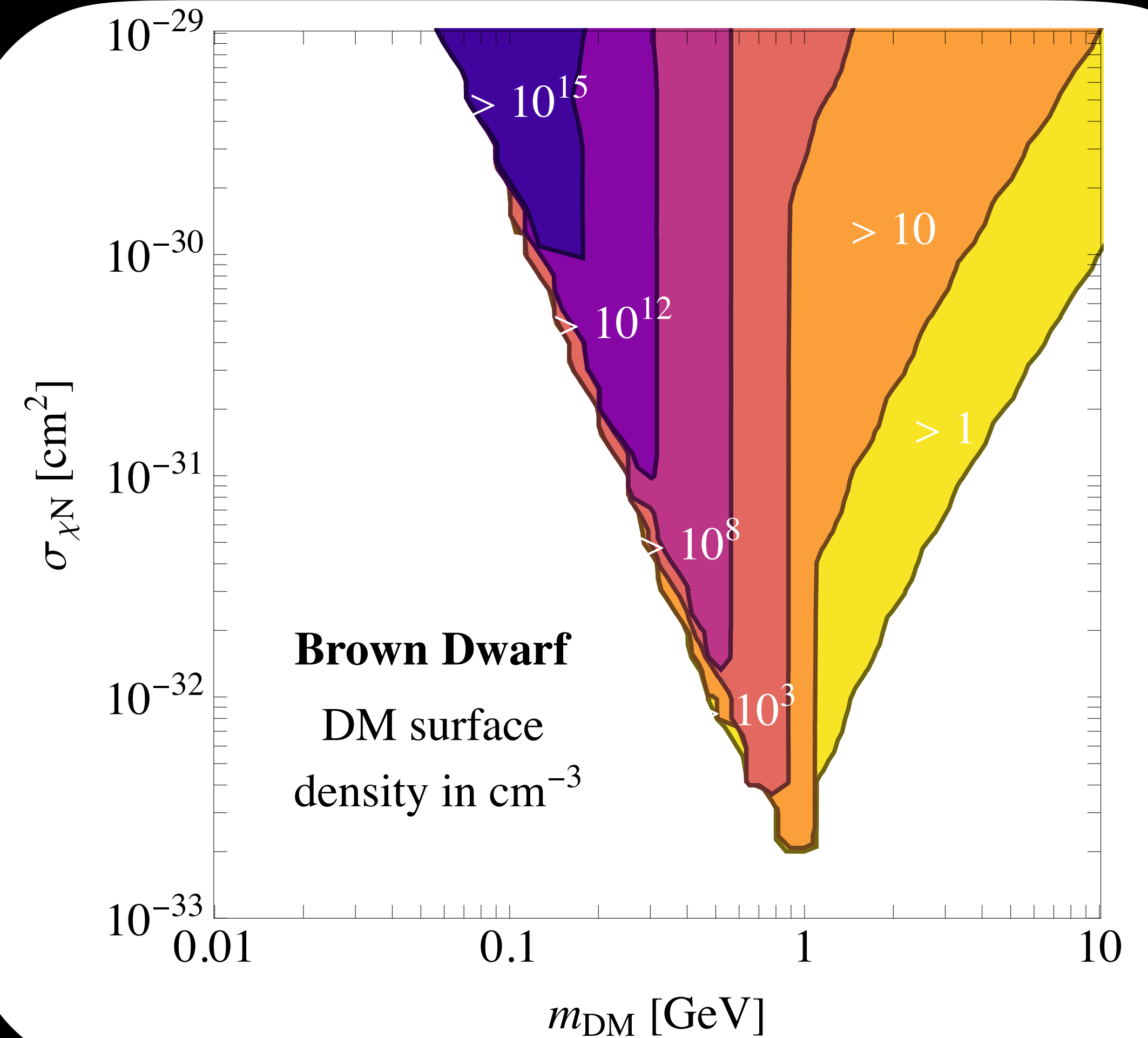


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