

# Quantum Gravity Signals

*from primordial black holes*

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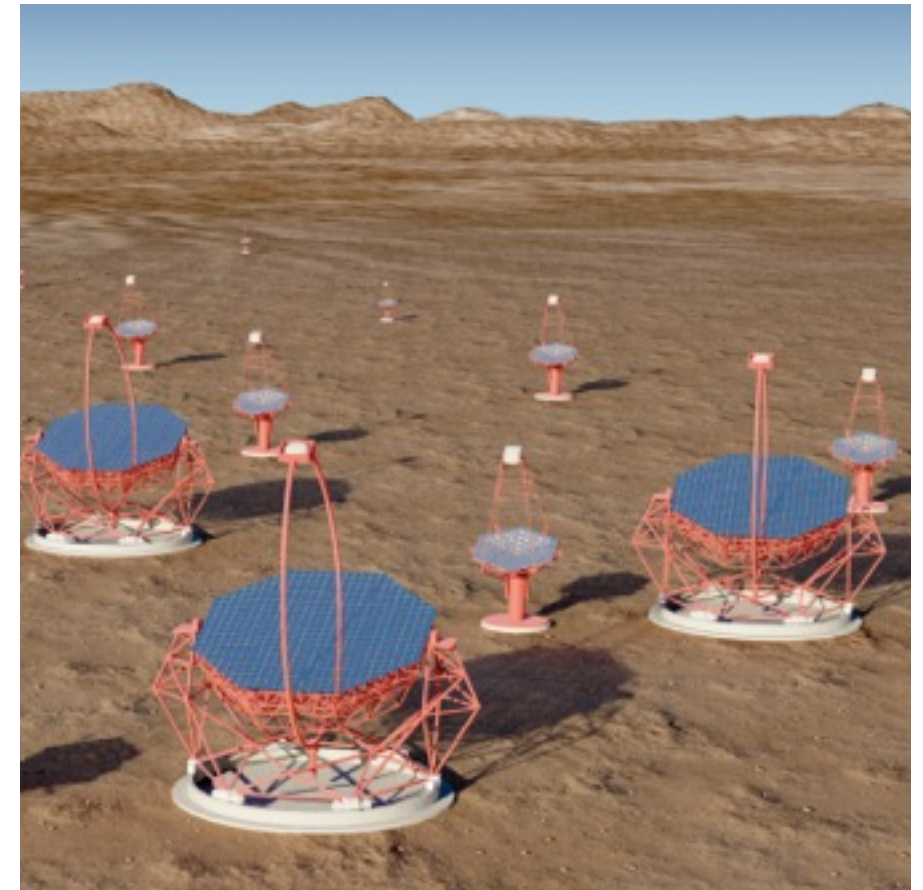
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- the white hole should eject particles at the same temperature as the particles that fell in the black hole
- limited horizon due to absorption  
~ 100 million light-years /  $z=0.01$
- Short Gamma Ray Burst ?



- telescopes spanning large surfaces needed (CTA?)



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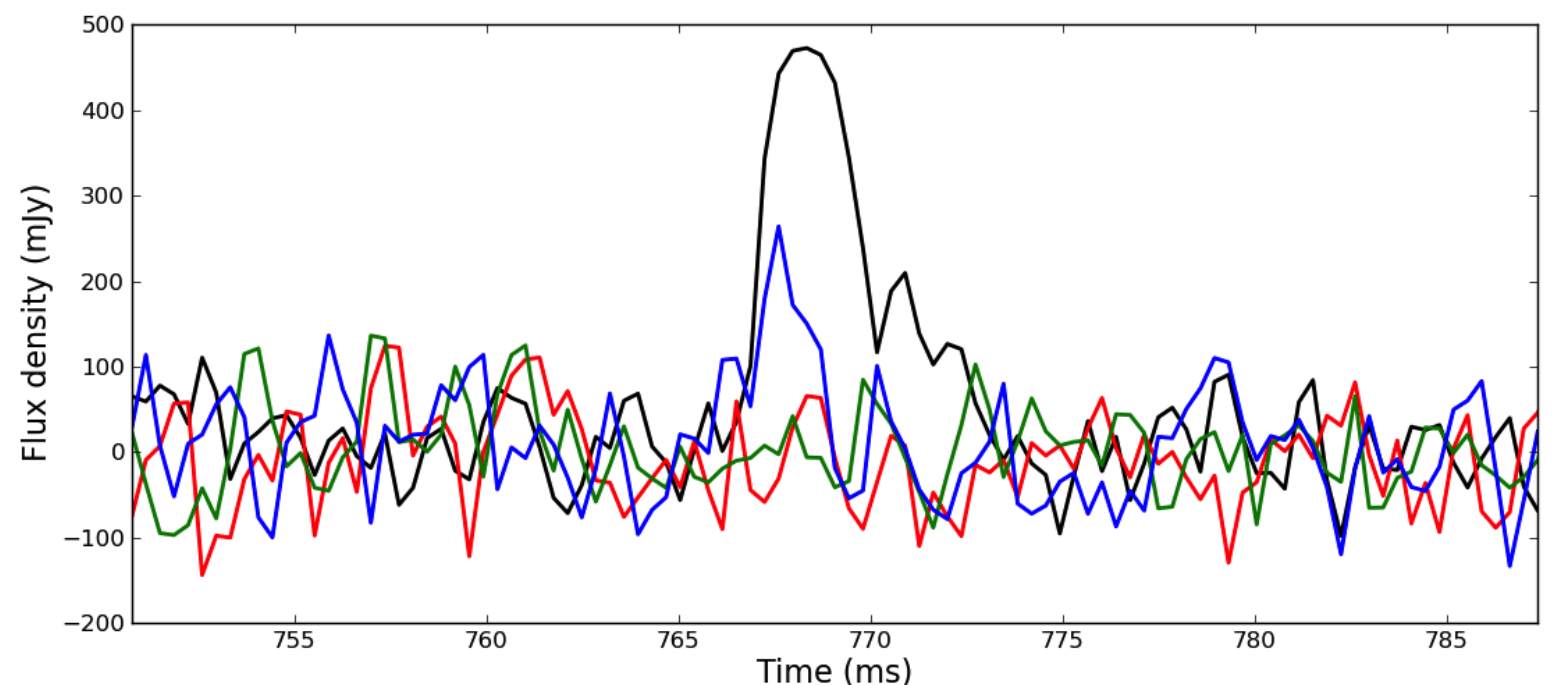
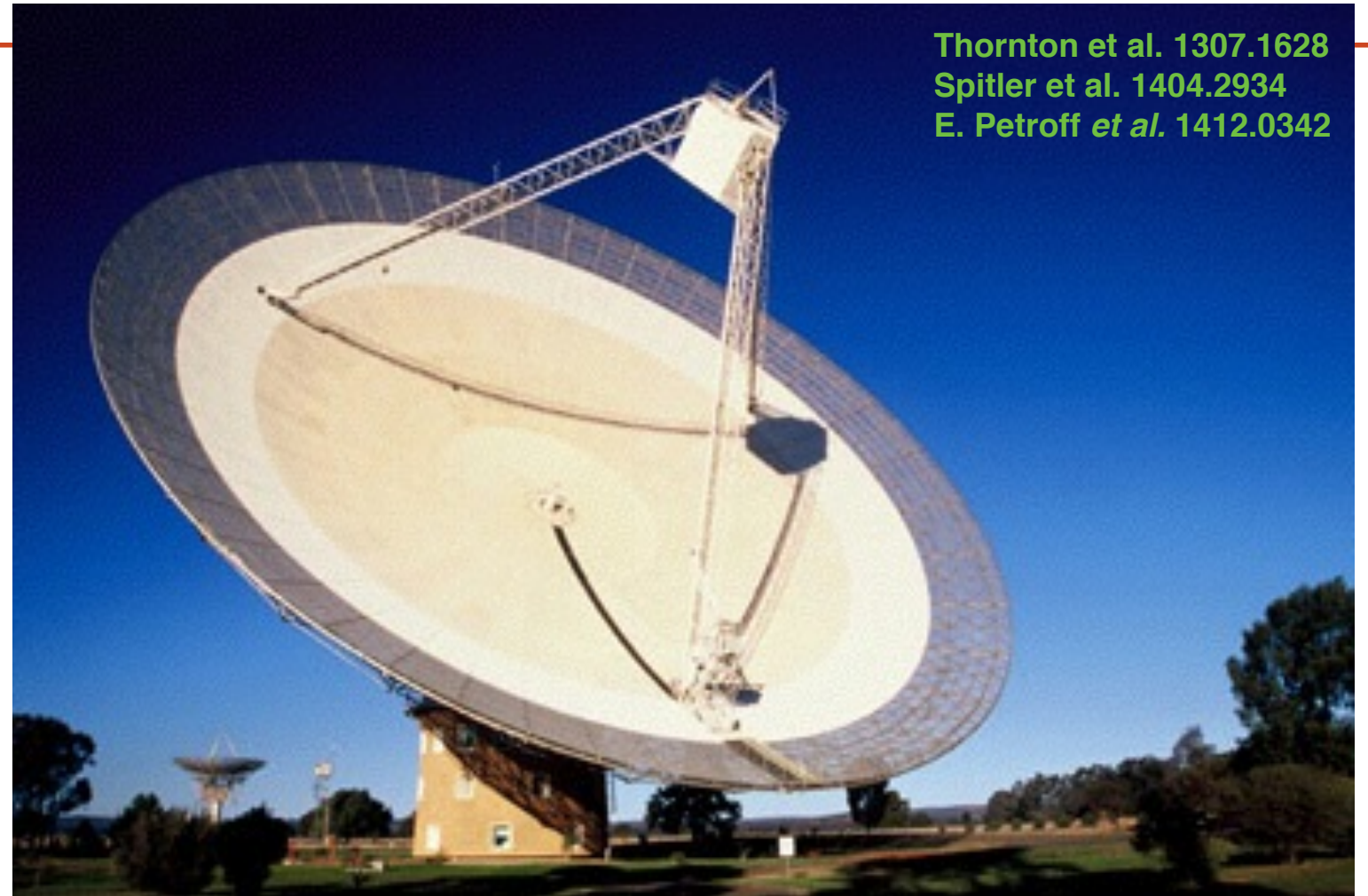
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## Unknown source!

- Short
  - Observed width  $\approx$  milliseconds
- No Long GRB associated
  - No Afterglow
- Punctual
  - No repetition
- Enormous flux density
  - Energy  $\approx 10^{38}$  erg
- Likely Extragalactic
  - Dispersion Measure:  $z \lesssim 0.5$
- $10^4$  event/day
  - A pretty common object?
- Circular polarization



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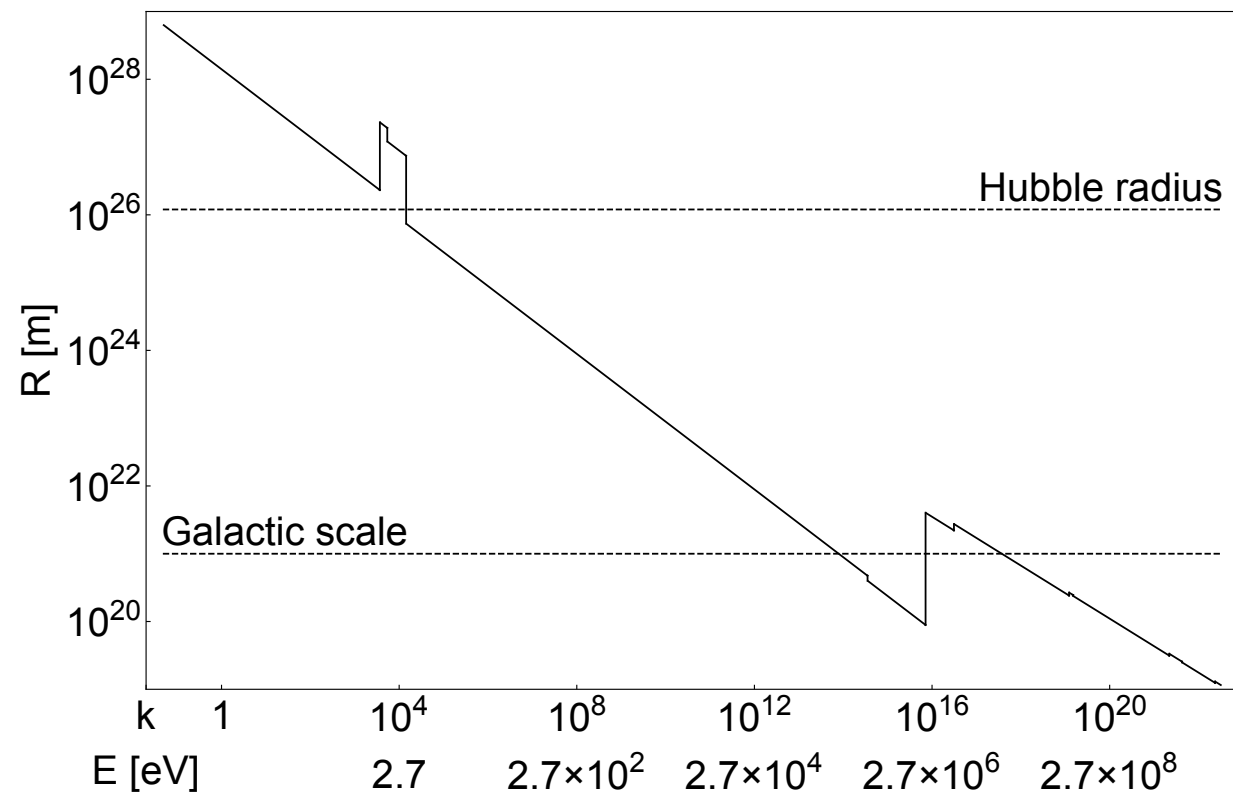
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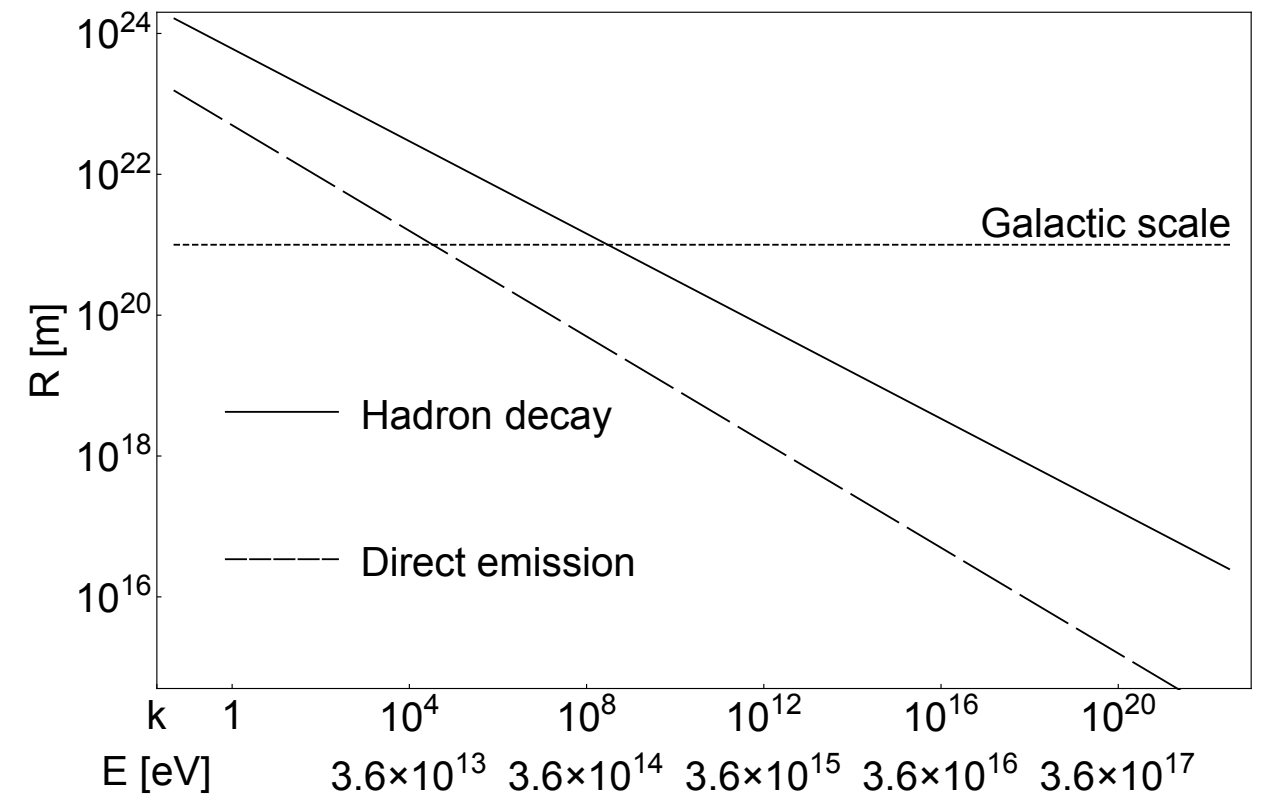
■ shorter lifetime — smaller wavelength

## Low energy channel



- detection of arbitrarily far signals
- better single-event detection

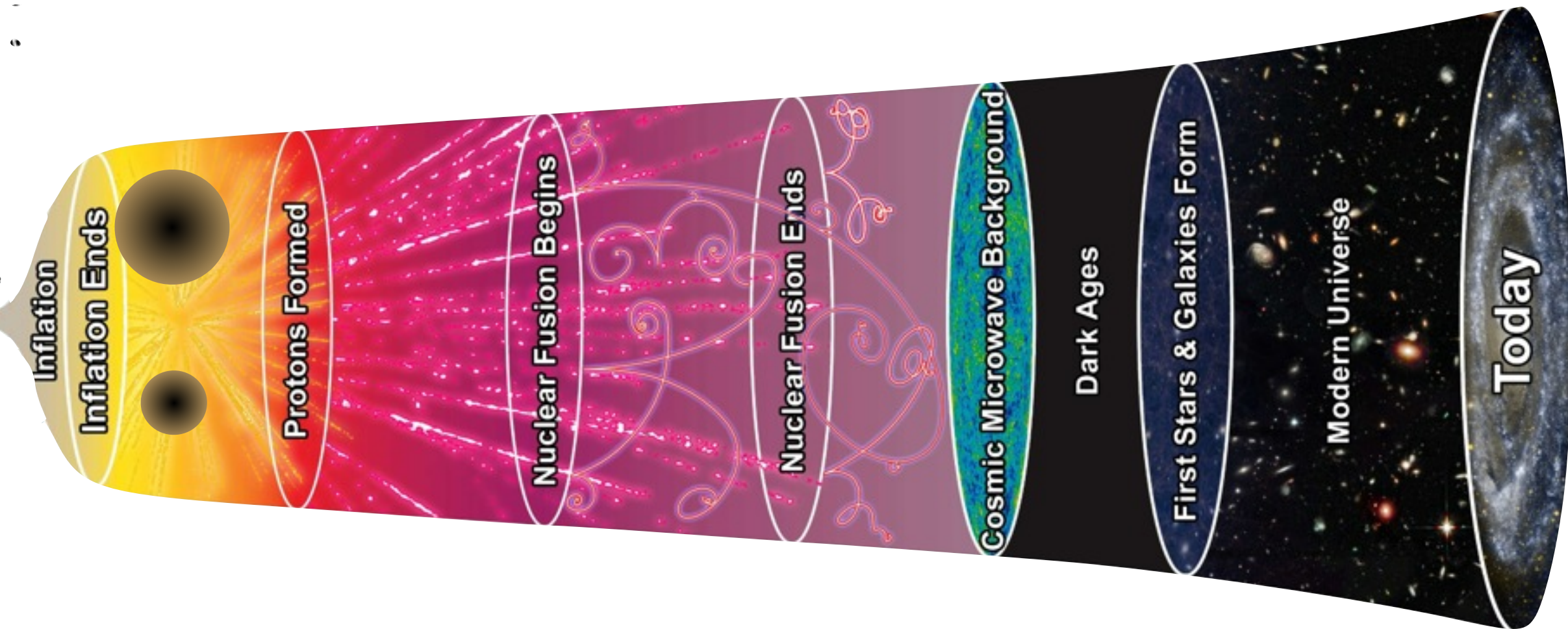
## High energy channel



- PBH: mass - temperature relation
- different scaling

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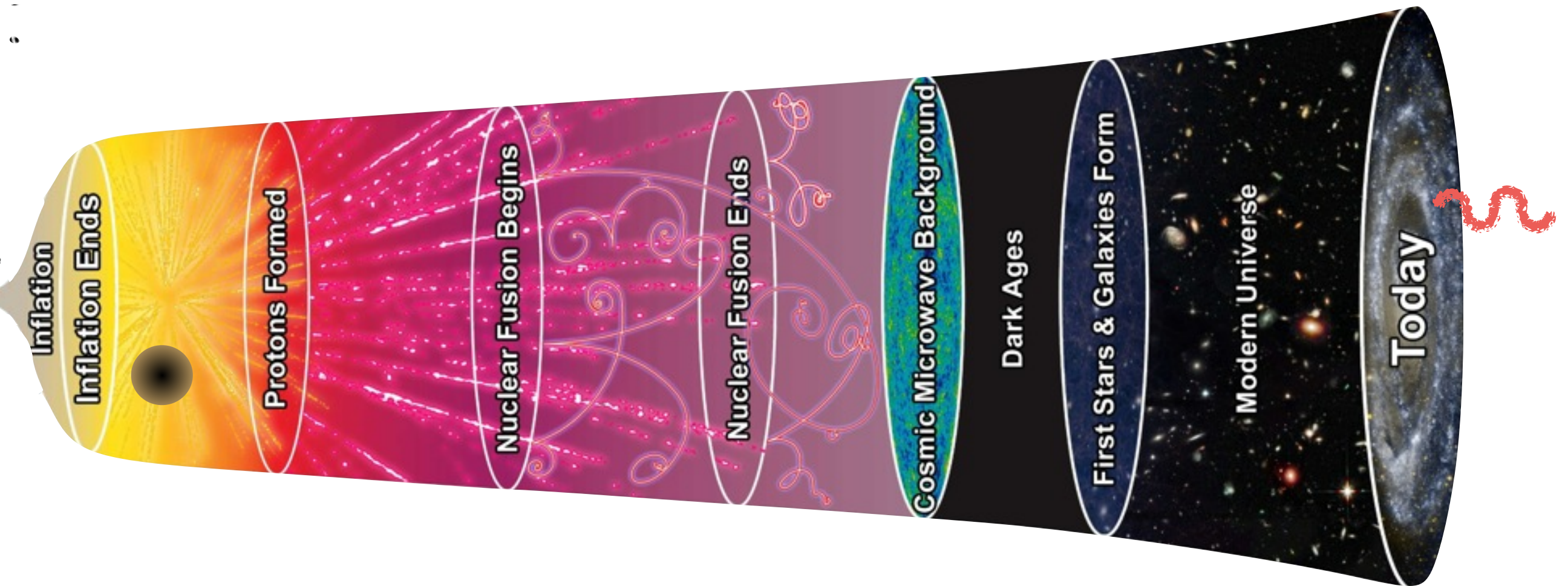


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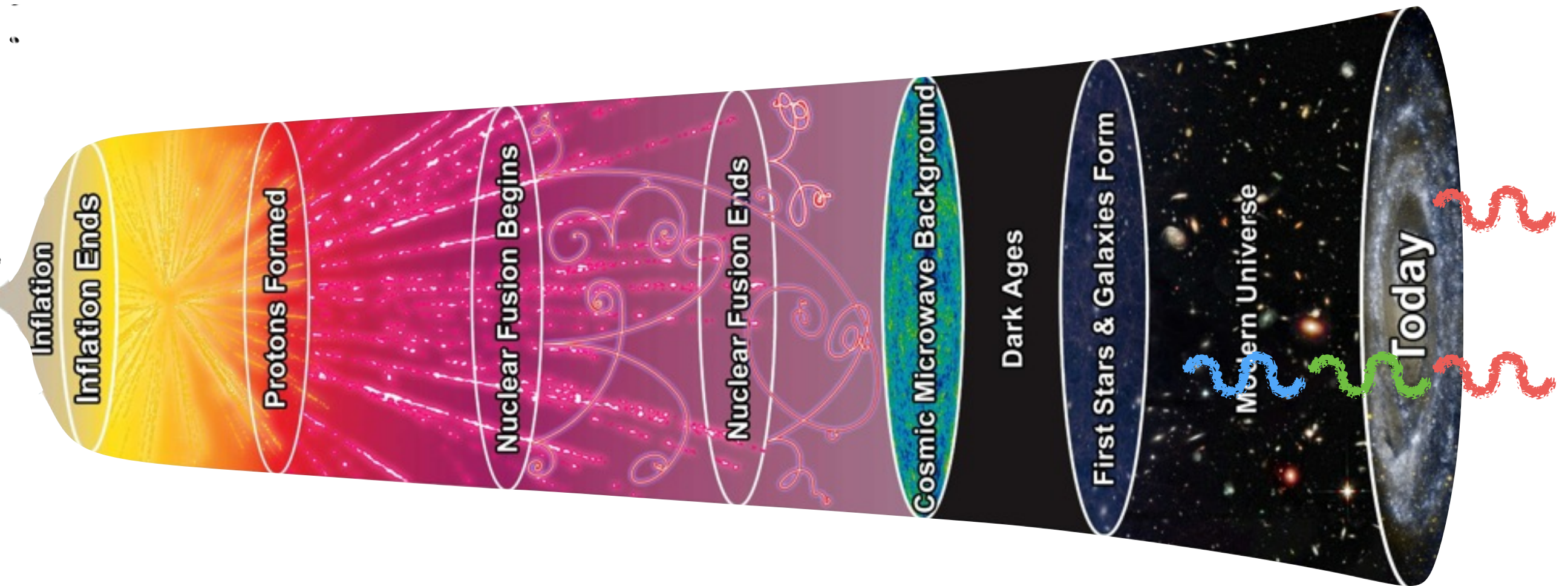


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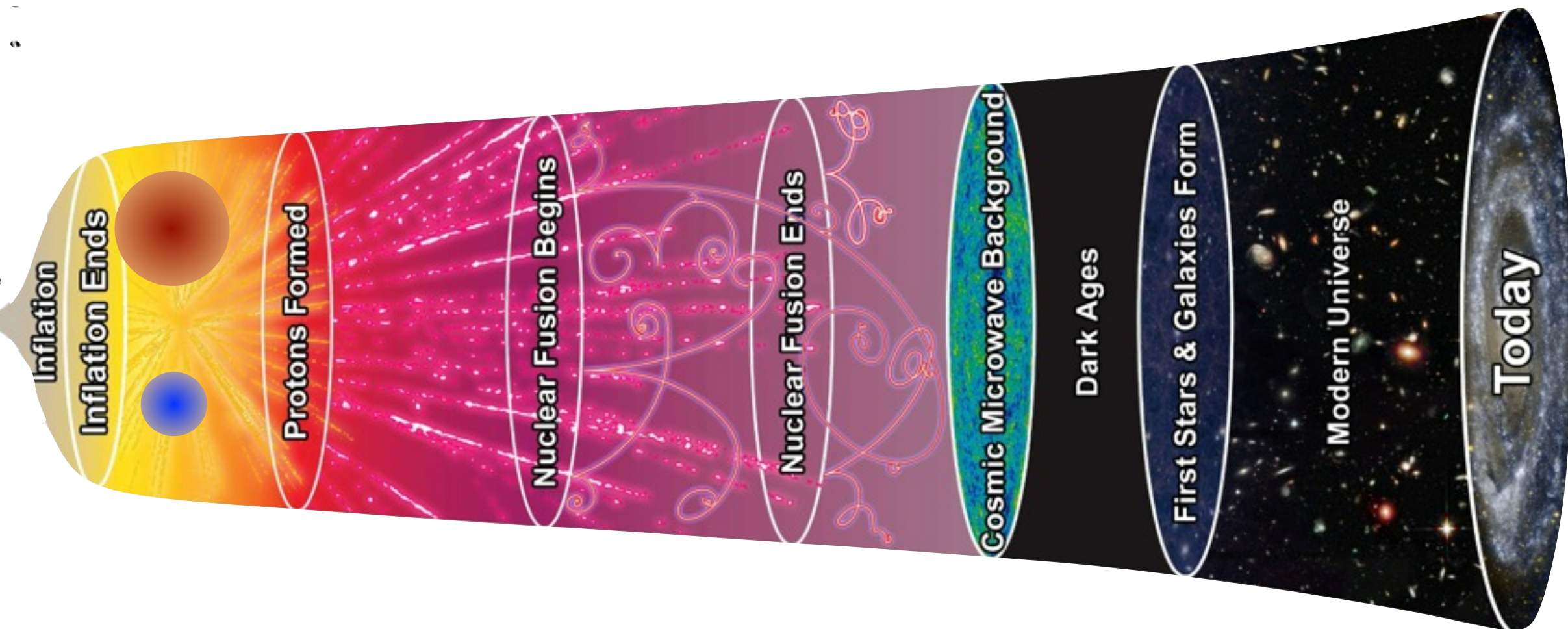
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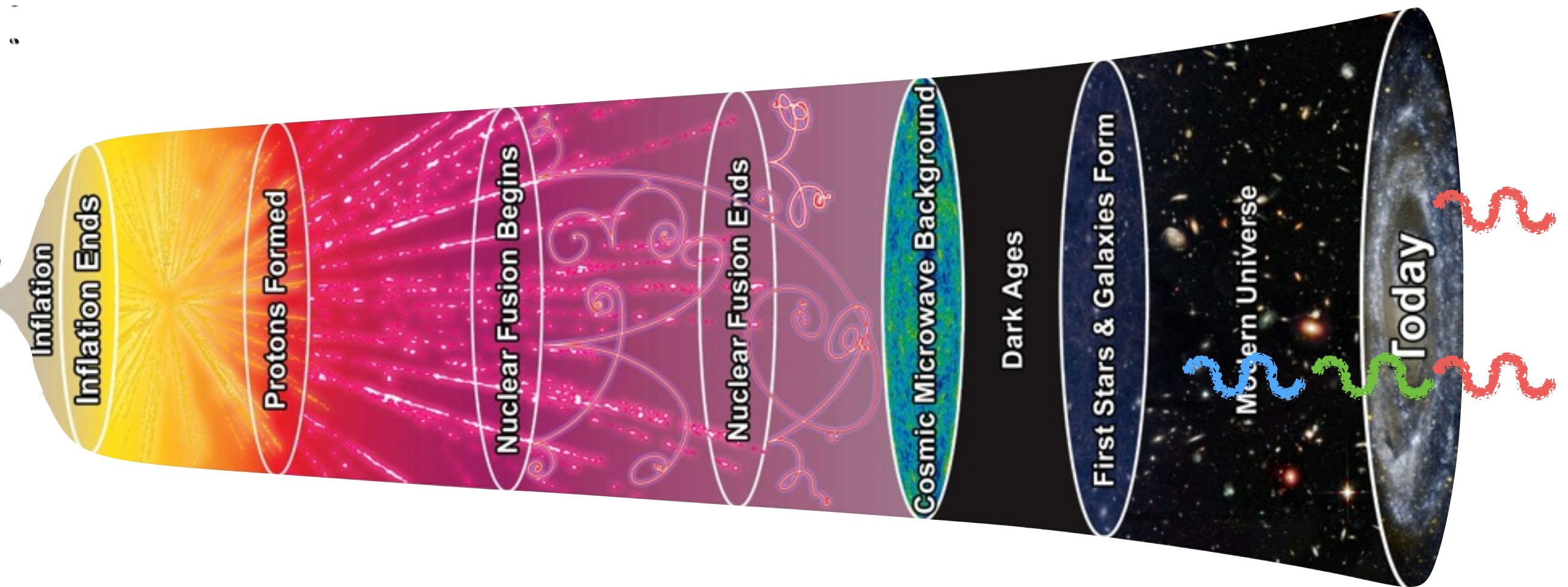
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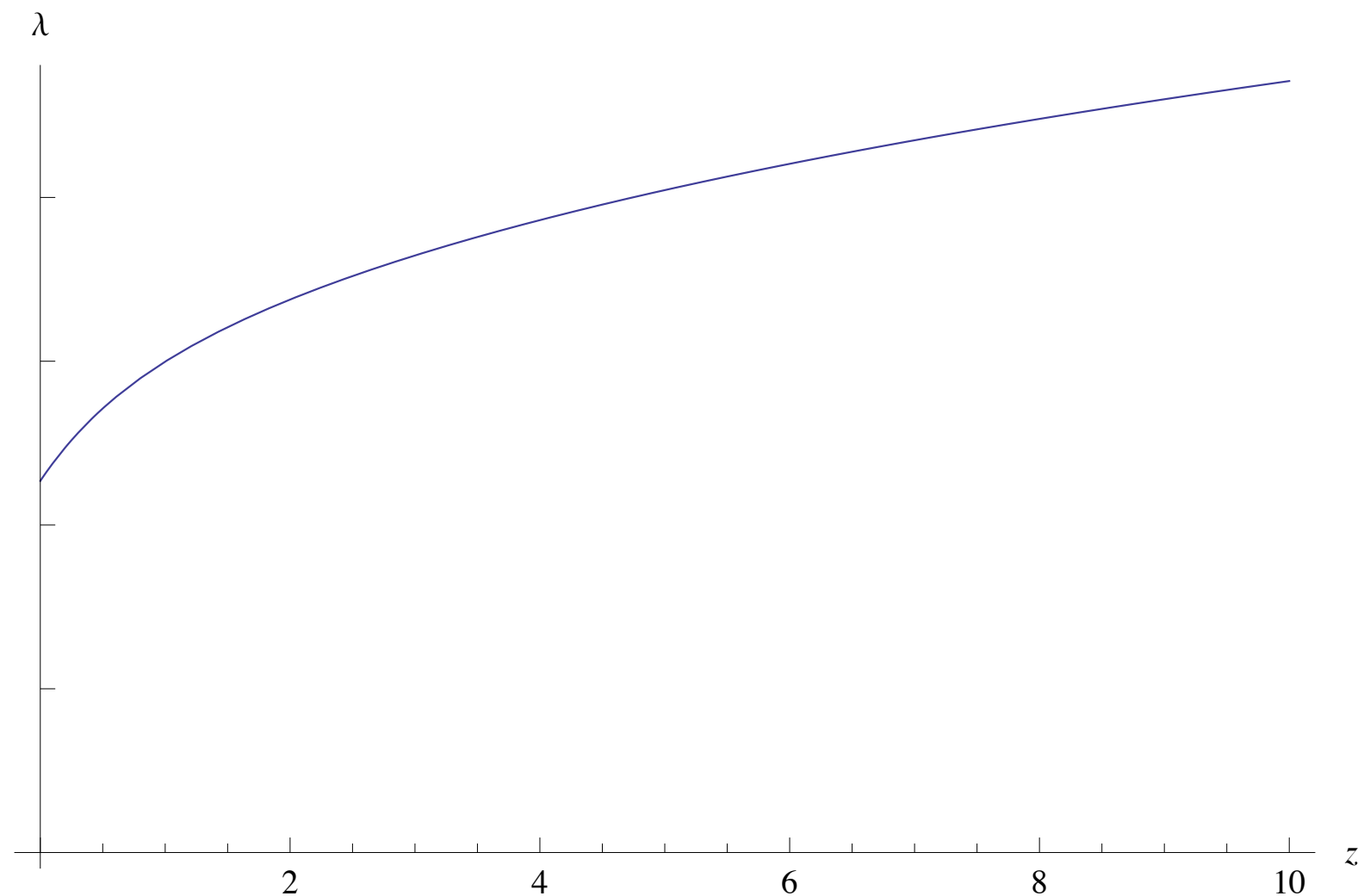
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$$\lambda_{obs}^{other} = (1+z)\lambda_{emitted}^{other} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \lambda_{obs} \sim \frac{2Gm}{c^2}(1+z) \sqrt{\frac{H_0^{-1}}{6k\Omega_\Lambda^{1/2}} \sinh^{-1} \left[ \left( \frac{\Omega_\Lambda}{\Omega_M} \right)^{1/2} (z+1)^{-3/2} \right]}$$

- distance  $\propto 1/\text{wave length}$
- taking into account the **redshift** the resulting function is very slowly varying

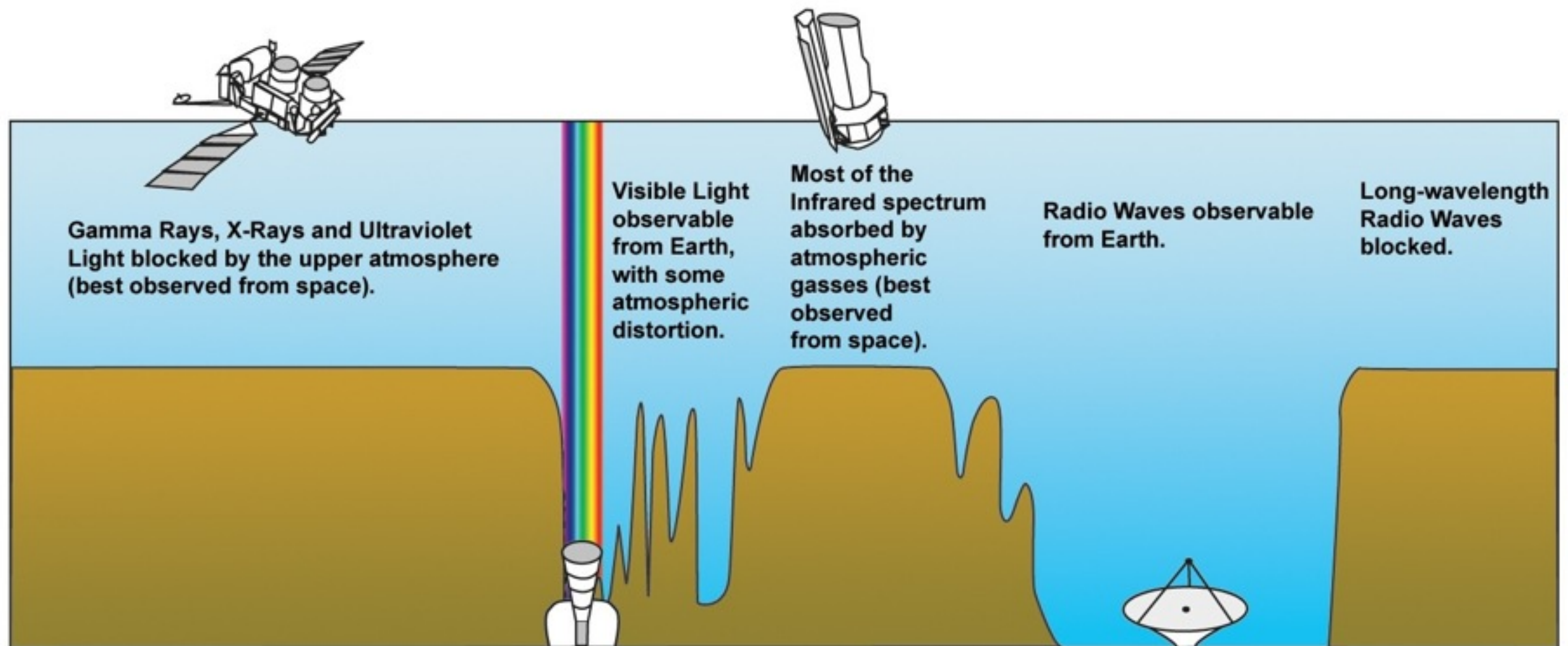
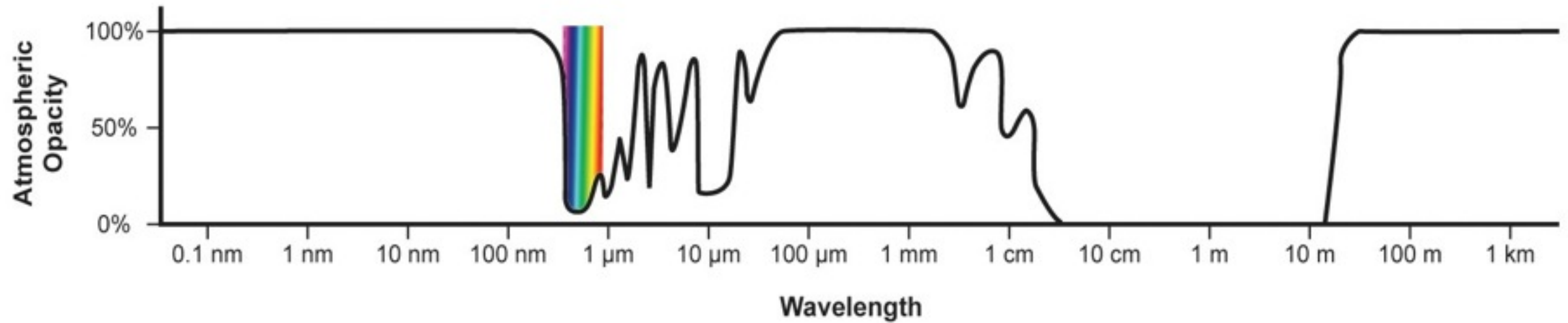


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# LIST OF FAST RADIO BURSTS

name	date	RA	dec	DM	width	peak	notes
FRB 010724	2001/07/24	01h18'	-75°12'	375	4.6	30	"Lorimer Burst"
FRB 010621	2001/06/21	18h52'	-08°29'	746	7.8	0.4	
FRB 110220	2011/02/20	22h34'	-12°24'	944.38	5.6	1.3	
FRB 110627	2011/06/27	21h03'	-44°44'	723.0	<1.4	0.4	
FRB 110703	2011/07/03	23h30'	-02°52'	1103.6	<4.3	0.5	
FRB 120127	2012/01/27	23h15'	-18°25'	553.3	<1.1	0.5	
FRB 011025	2001/10/25	19h07'	-40°37'	790	9.4	0.3	
FRB 121002	2012/10/02	18h14'	-85°11'	1628.76	2.1; 3.7	0.35	double pulse 5.1 ms apart
FRB 121002	2012/10/02	18h14'	-85°11'	1629.18	<0.3	>2.3	
FRB 121102	2012/11/02	05h32'	33°05'	557	3.0	0.4	by <a href="#">Arecibo</a> radio telescope
	2015	05h32'~	33°05'~	557~			10 repeat bursts: 6 bursts in 10 minutes, 3 bursts weeks apart.
FRB 131104	2013/11/04	06h44'	-51°17'	779.0	<0.64	1.12	'near' <a href="#">Carina Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxy</a>
FRB 140514	2014/05/14	22h34'	-12°18'	562.7	2.8	0.47	21 ± 7 per cent (3σ) circular polarization
FRB 090625	2009/06/25	03h07'	-29°55'	899.6	<1.9	>2.2	
FRB 130626	2013/06/26	16h27'	-07°27'	952.4	<0.12	>1.5	
FRB 130628	2013/06/28	09h03'	+03°26'	469.88	<0.05	>1.2	
FRB 130729	2013/07/29	13h41'	-05°59'	861	<4	>3.5	
FRB 110523	2011/05/23	21h45'	-00°12'	623.30	1.73	0.6	700-900 MHz at <a href="#">Green Bank</a> radio telescope, detection of both circular and linear polarization.
FRB 150418	2015/04/18	07h16'	-19° 00'	776.2	0.8	2.4	Detection of linear polarization. The origin of the burst is disputed.

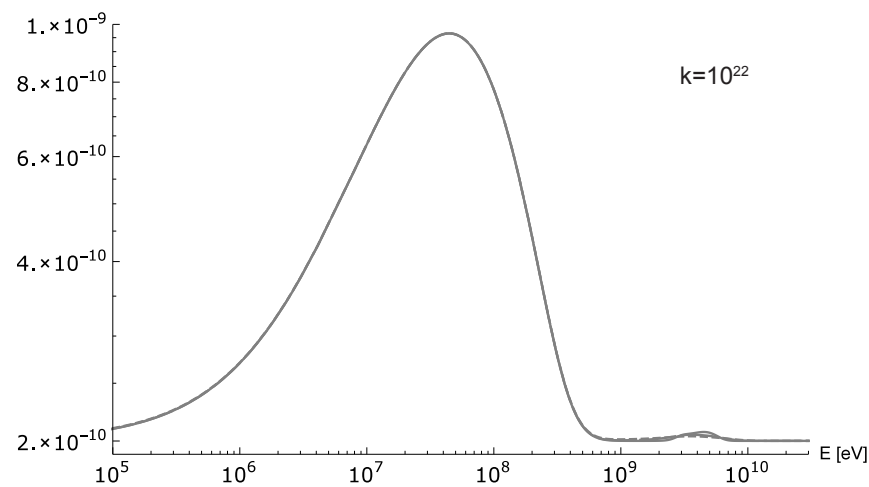
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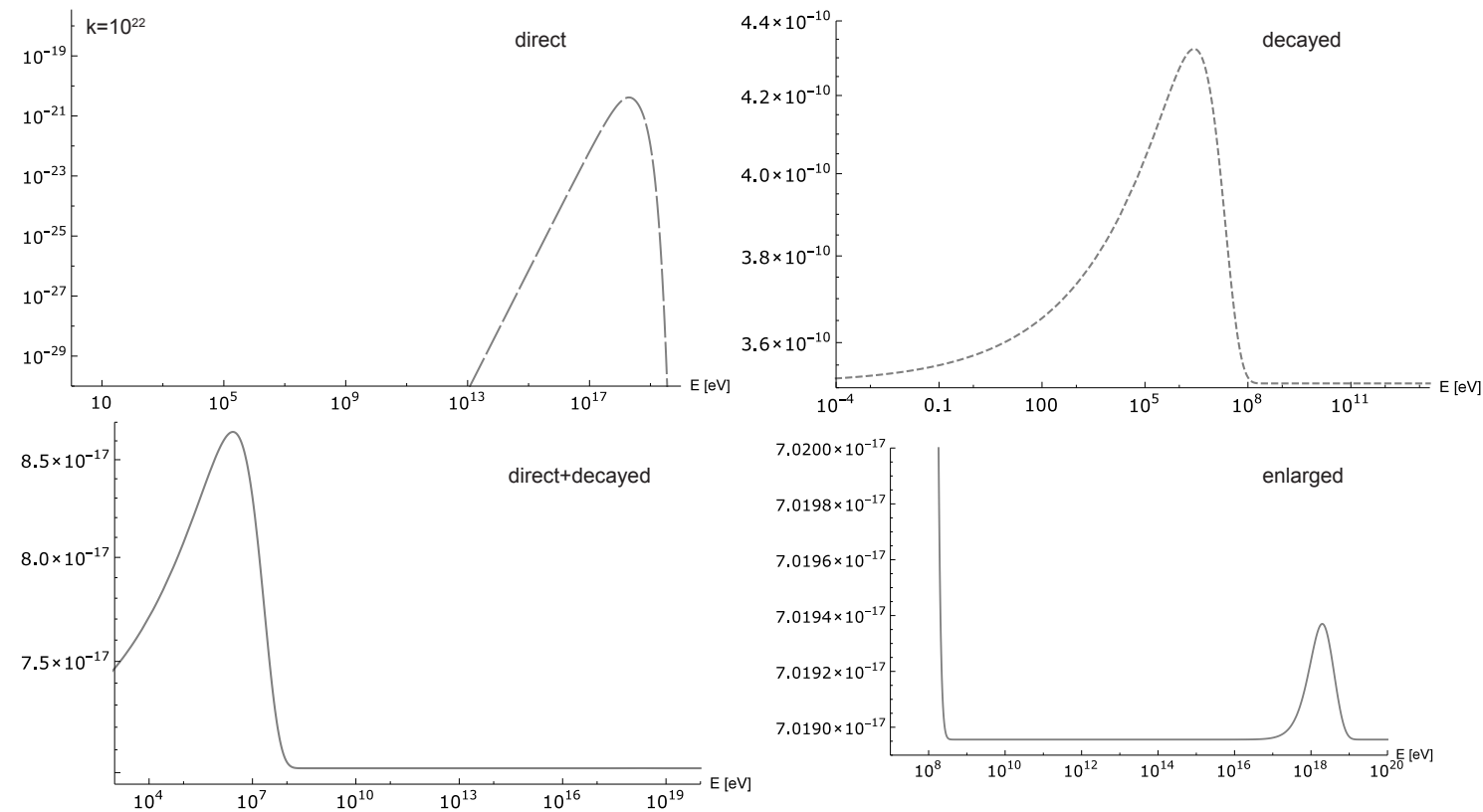


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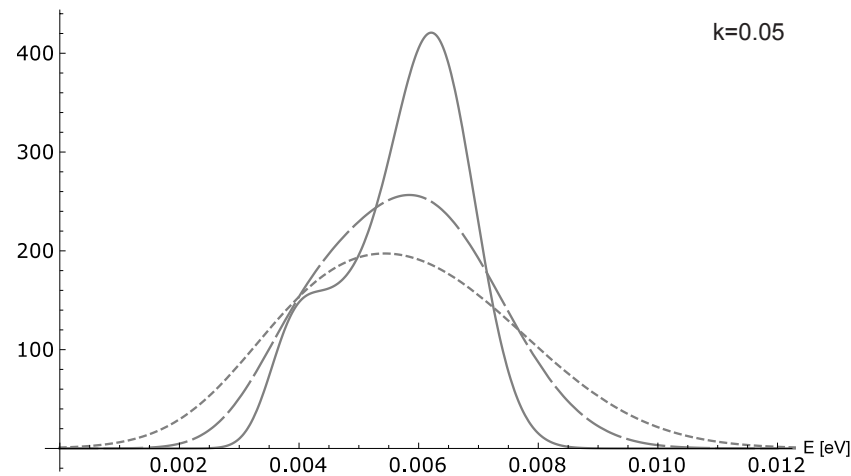


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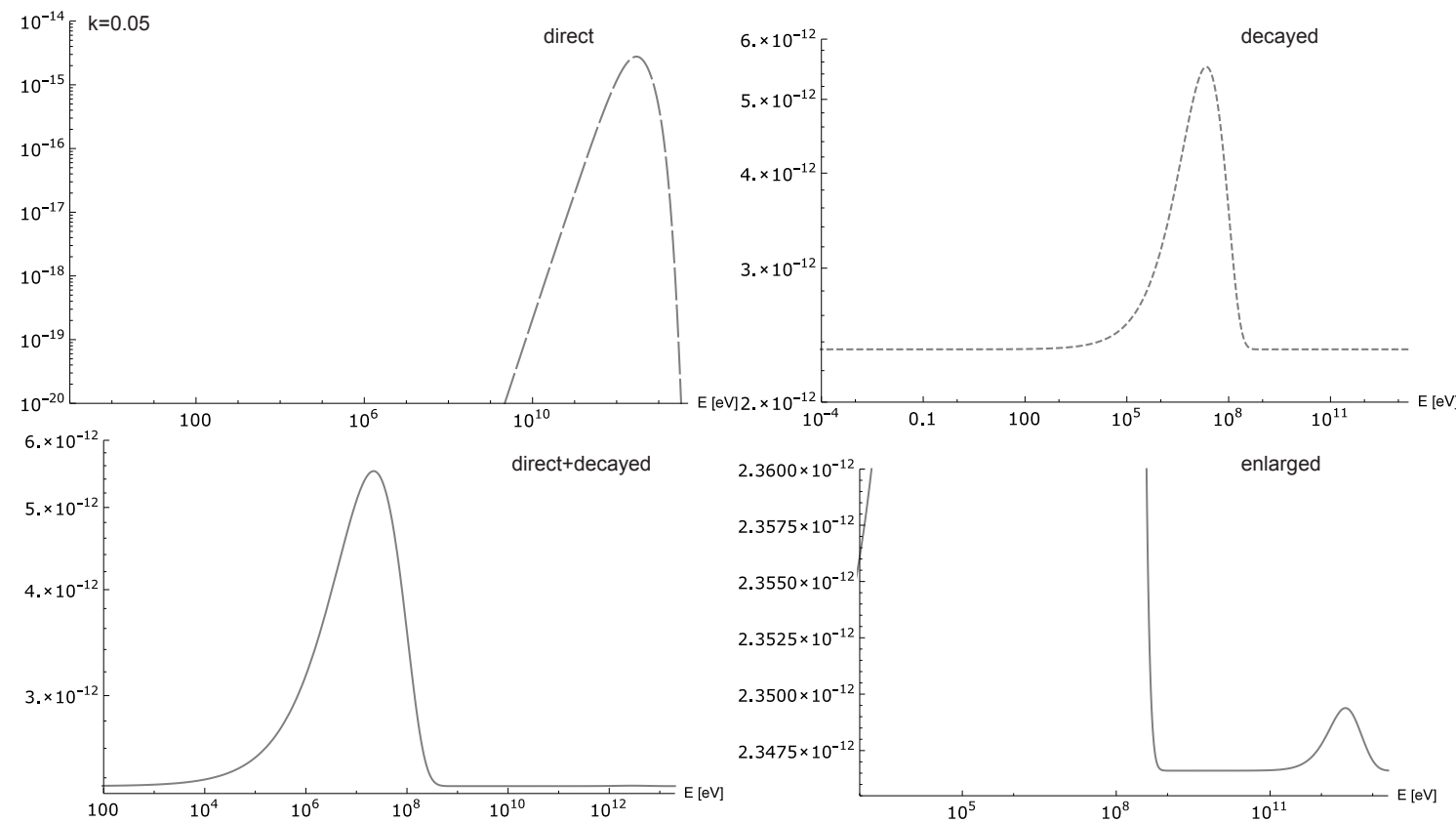
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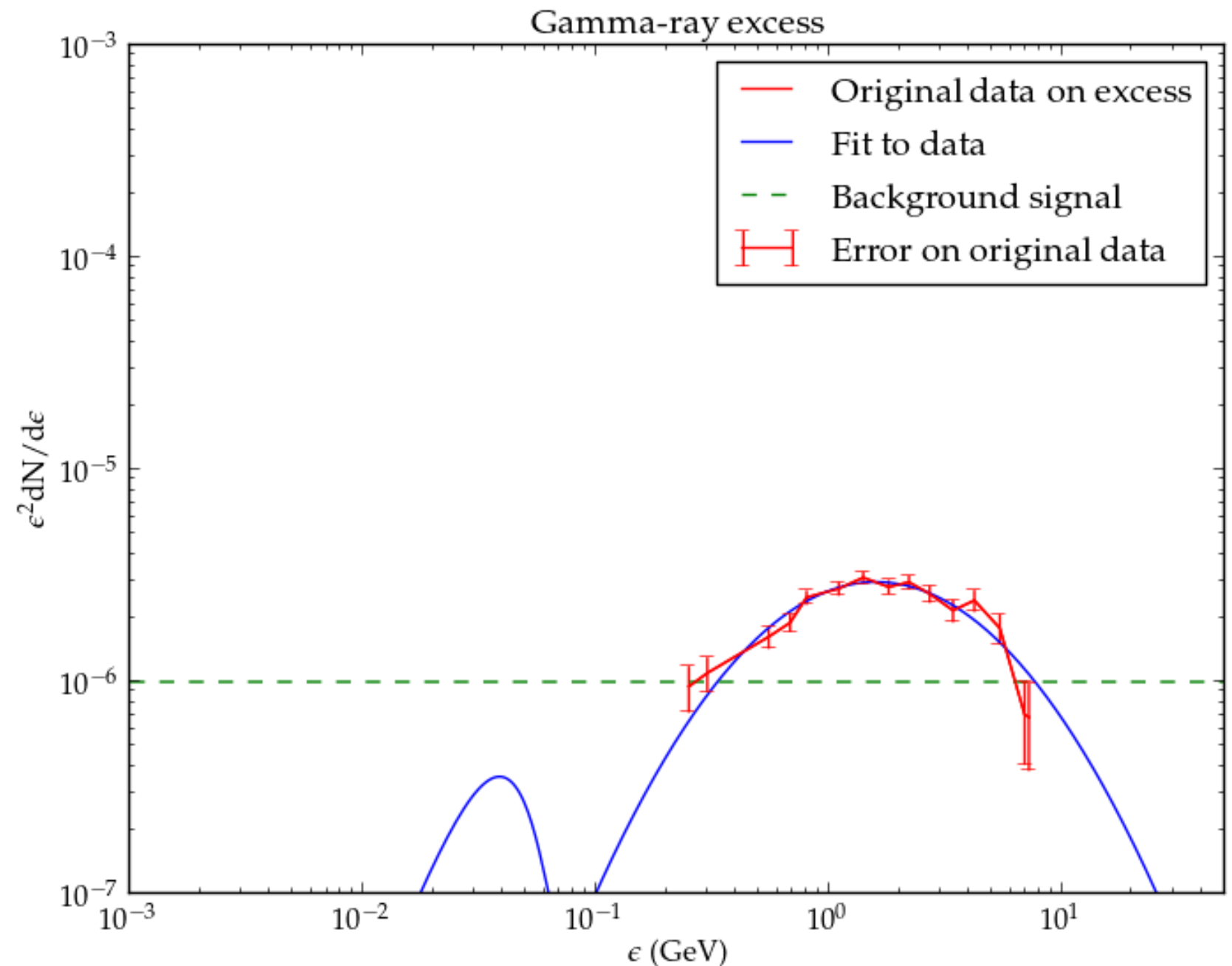


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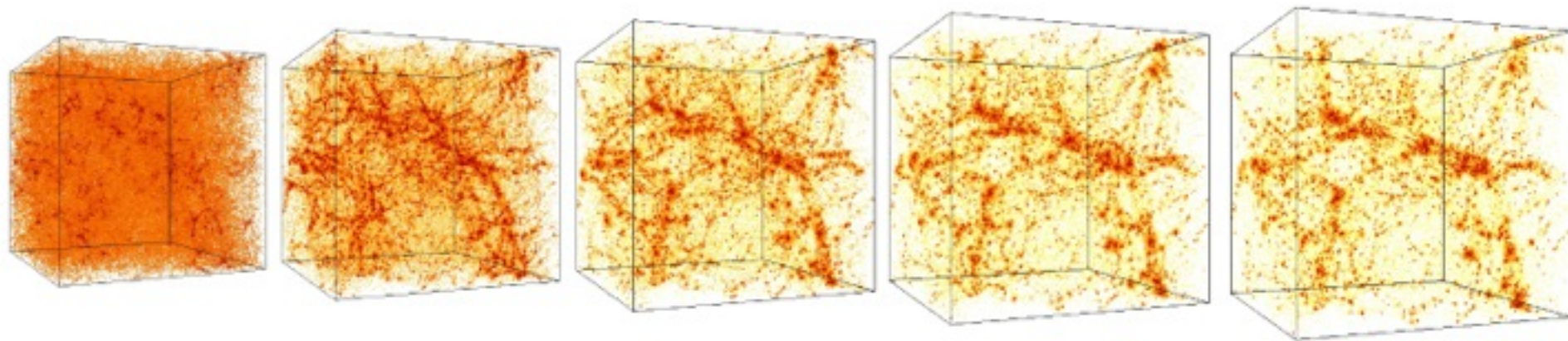


- Number of secondary gamma-rays is higher than the number of primary gamma-rays, but their spectral energy density is much lower.



## ■ Structure formation

Raccanelli, Chluba, Cholis, Vidotto WIP




## ■ First stars & Supermassive black holes

Bambi, Freese, Vidotto WIP

- Primordial black holes inside first-generation stars can provide the seeds for supermassive black holes.

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