

Gravitino Problem

Introduction

Supersymmetry (SUSY)

Fermion \longleftrightarrow Boson

- Hierarchy Problem

Keep electroweak scale against radiative correction

- Coupling Constant Unification in GUT

quark \longleftrightarrow squarks

lepton \longleftrightarrow slepton

photon \longleftrightarrow photino

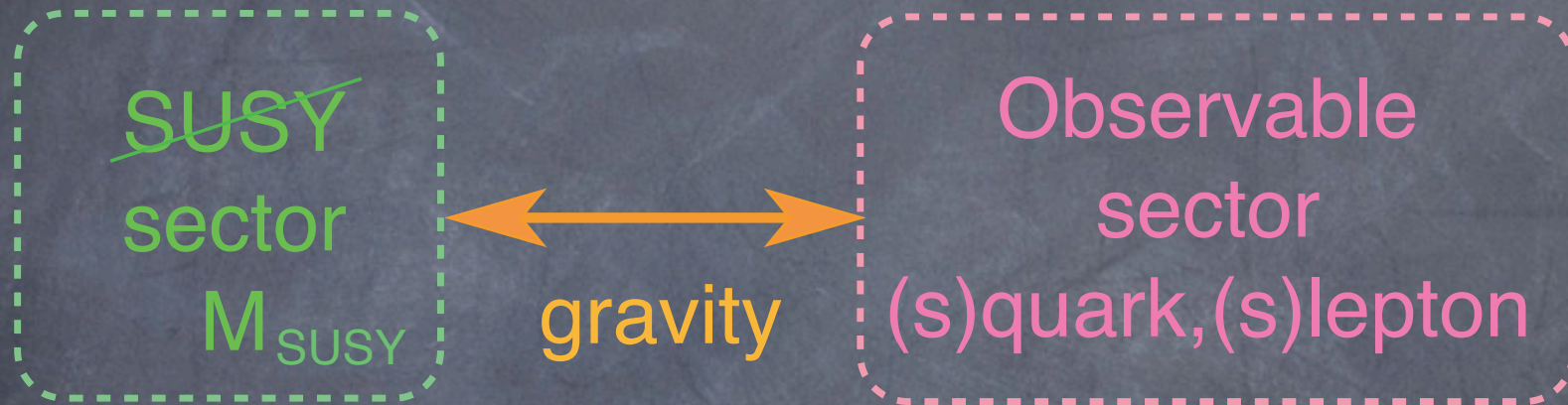
Gravitino $\psi_{3/2}$

Superpartner of graviton

SUSY Breaking Scheme

Low Energy ~~SUSY~~ ($m_{\tilde{q}}, m_{\tilde{\ell}} \sim 1\text{TeV} \gg m_q, m_\ell$)

(A) Gravity Mediated SUSY Breaking



- Squark, slepton masses

$$m_{\tilde{q}}, m_{\tilde{\ell}} \sim \frac{M_{\text{SUSY}}^2}{M_p} \sim 10^{2-3} \text{ GeV}$$

- Gravitino

$$M_{\text{SUSY}} \sim 10^{11-13} \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{3/2} \sim 10^{2-3} \text{ GeV}$$

Gravitino Problem

Gravitino \Rightarrow only gravitationally suppressed int.
 \Rightarrow long lifetime

$$\tau(\psi_{3/2} \rightarrow \tilde{\gamma} + \gamma) \simeq 4 \times 10^8 \text{ sec} \left(\frac{m_{3/2}}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-3}$$

Standard Big Bang Cosmology $n_{3/2} \sim n_\gamma$

if gravitino decays after BBN ($m_{3/2} < 100 \text{ TeV}$)

\Rightarrow Too Large Entropy Production

Gravitino Problem (Weinberg 1982)

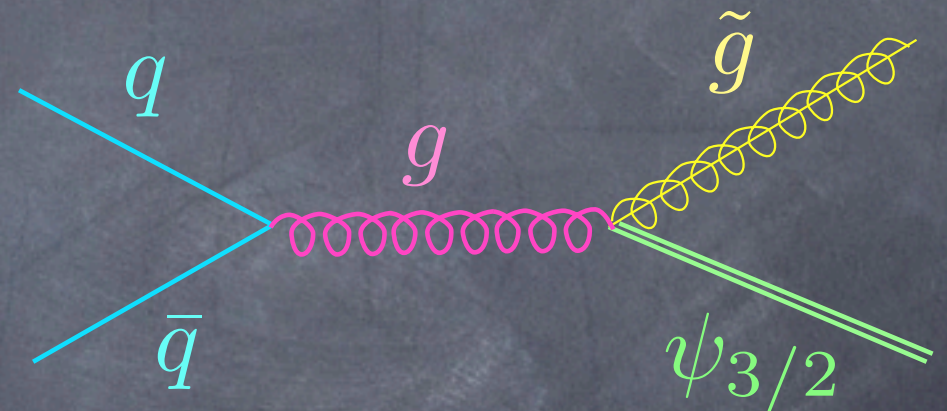
Gravitino in Inflationary Universe

Primordial gravitinos are diluted

However, gravitinos are produced during reheating

e.g.

$$q + \bar{q} \rightarrow \psi_{3/2} + \tilde{g}$$



$$\frac{n_{3/2}}{n_\gamma} \simeq 10^{-11} \left(\frac{T_R}{10^{10} \text{GeV}} \right)$$

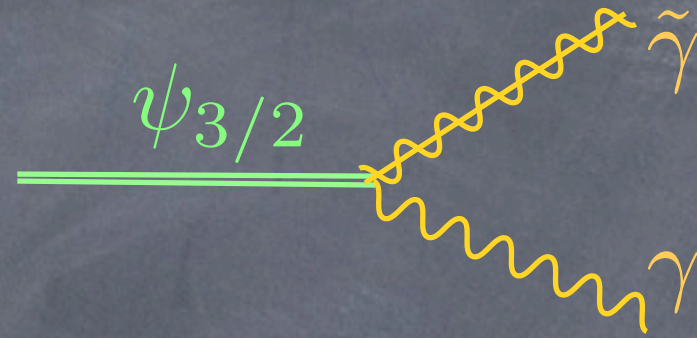
Bolz, Brandenburg, Buchmüller
(2001); MK, Moroi (1995)

$$n_{3/2}/n_\gamma \sim \sigma n_q t \sim (1/M_p^2) T_R^3 (M_p/T_R^2)$$

Gravitino Decay and BBN

Gravitino in Gravity Med.
SUSY Breaking

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Decay Products
(photons, hadrons)



Disastrous Effect on
Big Bang Nucleosynthesis



Stringent
Constraint on T_R

Ellis, Nanopoulos, Sarkar (1985)

Reno, Seckel (1988)

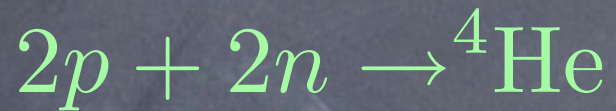
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Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

In the early universe ($T=1 - 0.01\text{MeV}$)

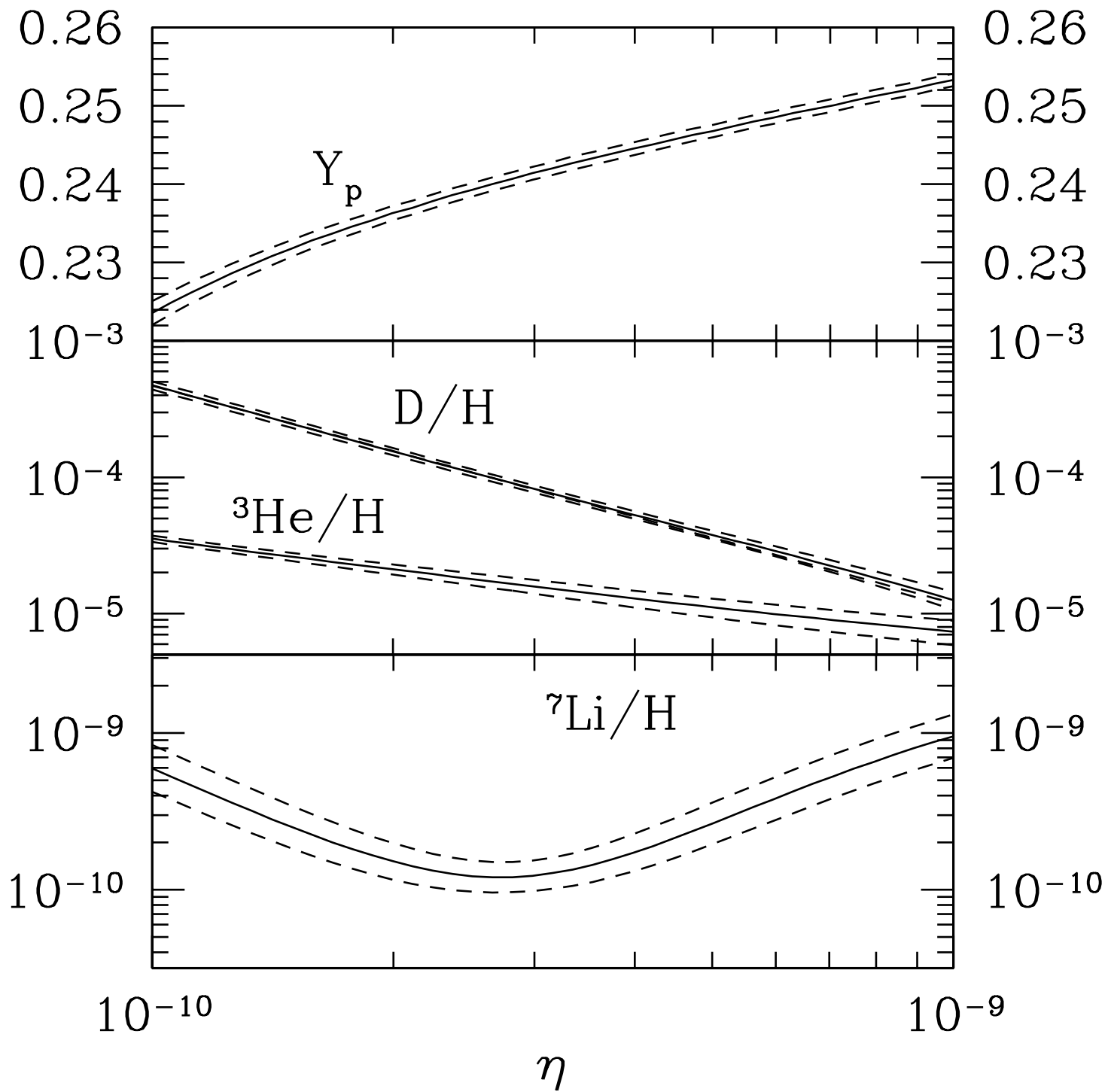


+ small D ${}^3\text{He}$ ${}^7\text{Li}$

Abundances of Light Elements

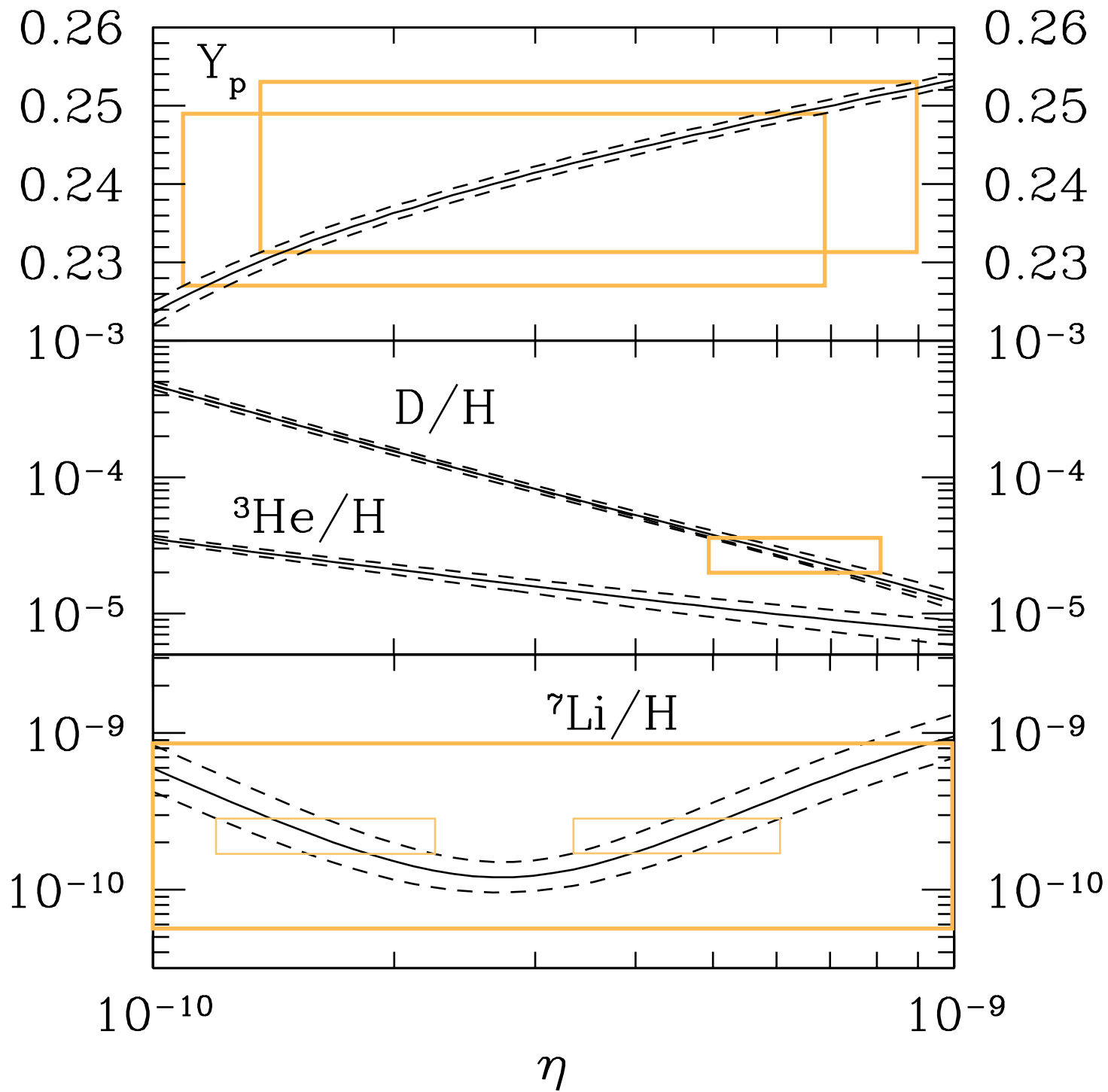


Baryon-Photon ratio $\eta = \frac{n_B}{n_\gamma}$



Observational Abundances of Light Elements

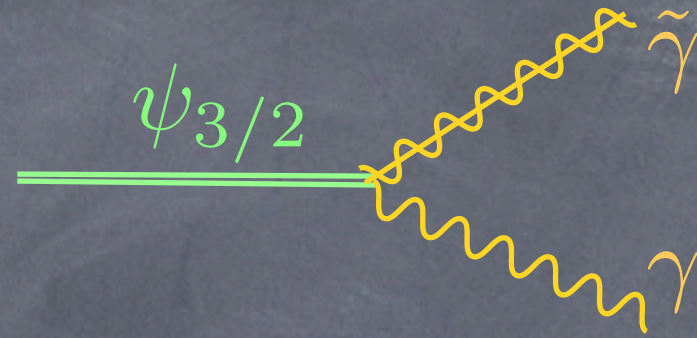
- He4 $Y_p = 0.238 \pm 0.002 \pm 0.005$
Fields, Olive (1998)
 $Y_p = 0.242 \pm 0.002 (\pm 0.005)$
Izotov et al. (2003)
- D/H $D/H = (2.8 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-5}$
Kirkman et al. (2003)
- Li7/H $\log_{10}({}^7\text{Li}/\text{H}) = -9.66 \pm 0.056 (\pm 0.3)$
Bonifacio et al. (2002)
- Li6/H ${}^6\text{Li}/\text{H} < 6 \times 10^{-11} (2\sigma)$
Smith et al. (1993)
- He3/D ${}^3\text{He}/\text{D} < 1.13 (2\sigma)$
Geiss (1993)



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Gravitino in Gravity Med.
SUSY Breaking

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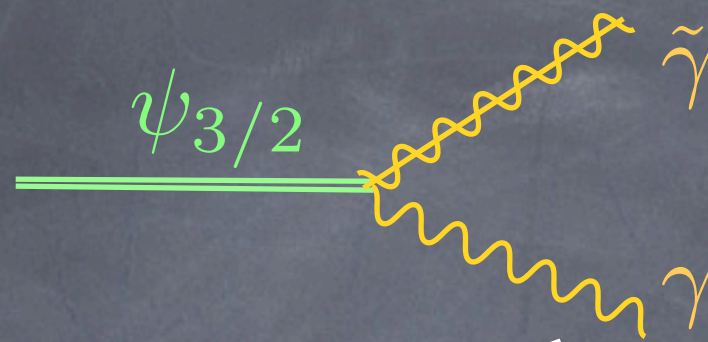
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Radiative Decay

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High Energy Photons



Electromagnetic Cascade

1) Photon-photon pair creation

$$\gamma + \gamma_{\text{BG}} \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$

$$\epsilon_\gamma > m_e^2 / 22T$$

2) Inverse Compton

$$e + \gamma_{\text{BG}} \rightarrow e + \gamma$$

3) Photon-photon scattering

$$\gamma + \gamma_{\text{BG}} \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$$

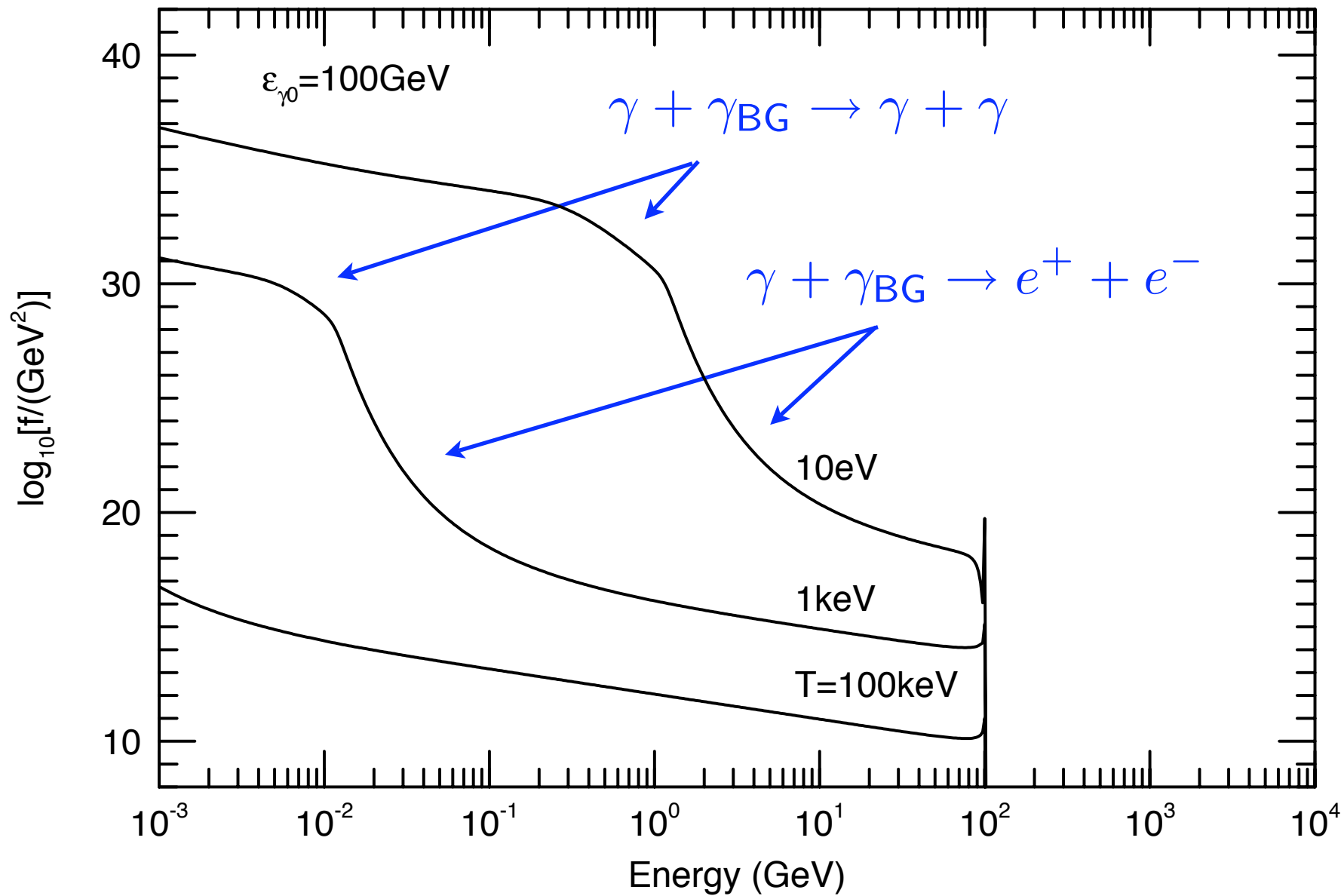
$$\epsilon_\gamma > m_e^2 / 80T$$

4) Thomson scattering

$$\gamma + e_{\text{BG}} \rightarrow \gamma + e$$

Photon Spectrum

MK, Moroi (1995)





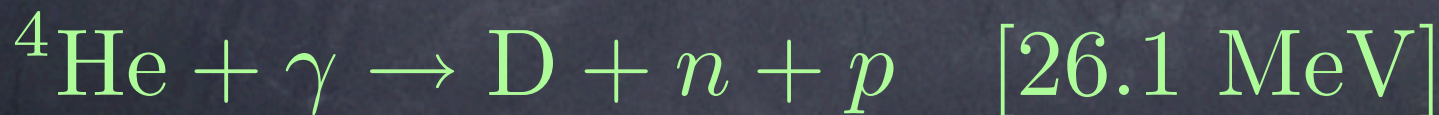
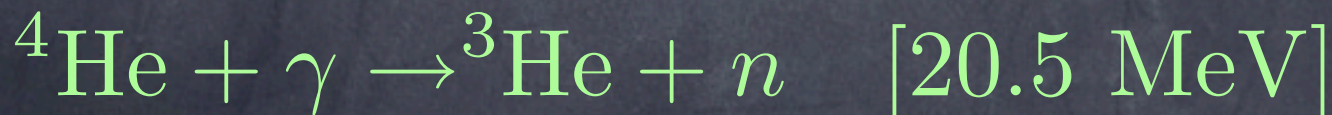
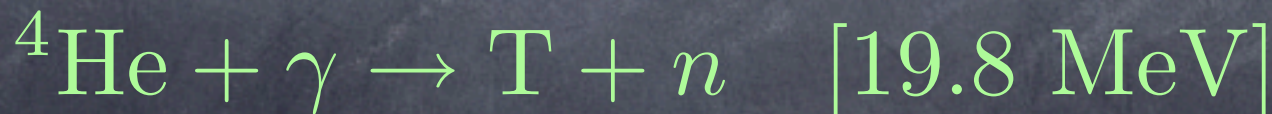
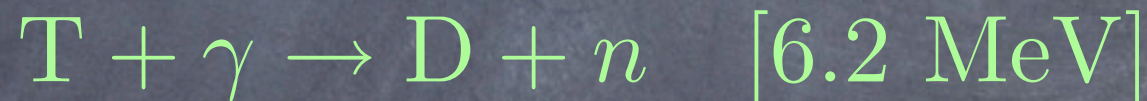
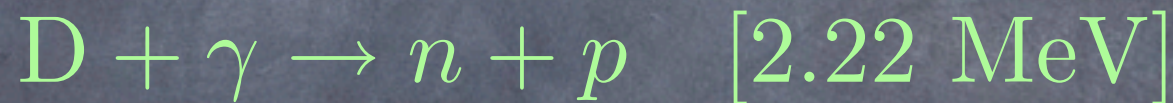
Many Soft Photons

$$\epsilon_{\gamma} > 2.2\text{MeV} \quad (T < 10\text{keV})$$

$$\epsilon_{\gamma} > 20\text{MeV} \quad (T < 1\text{keV})$$



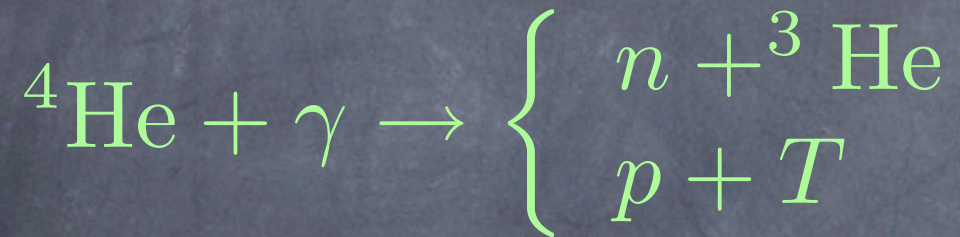
Destroy Light Elements



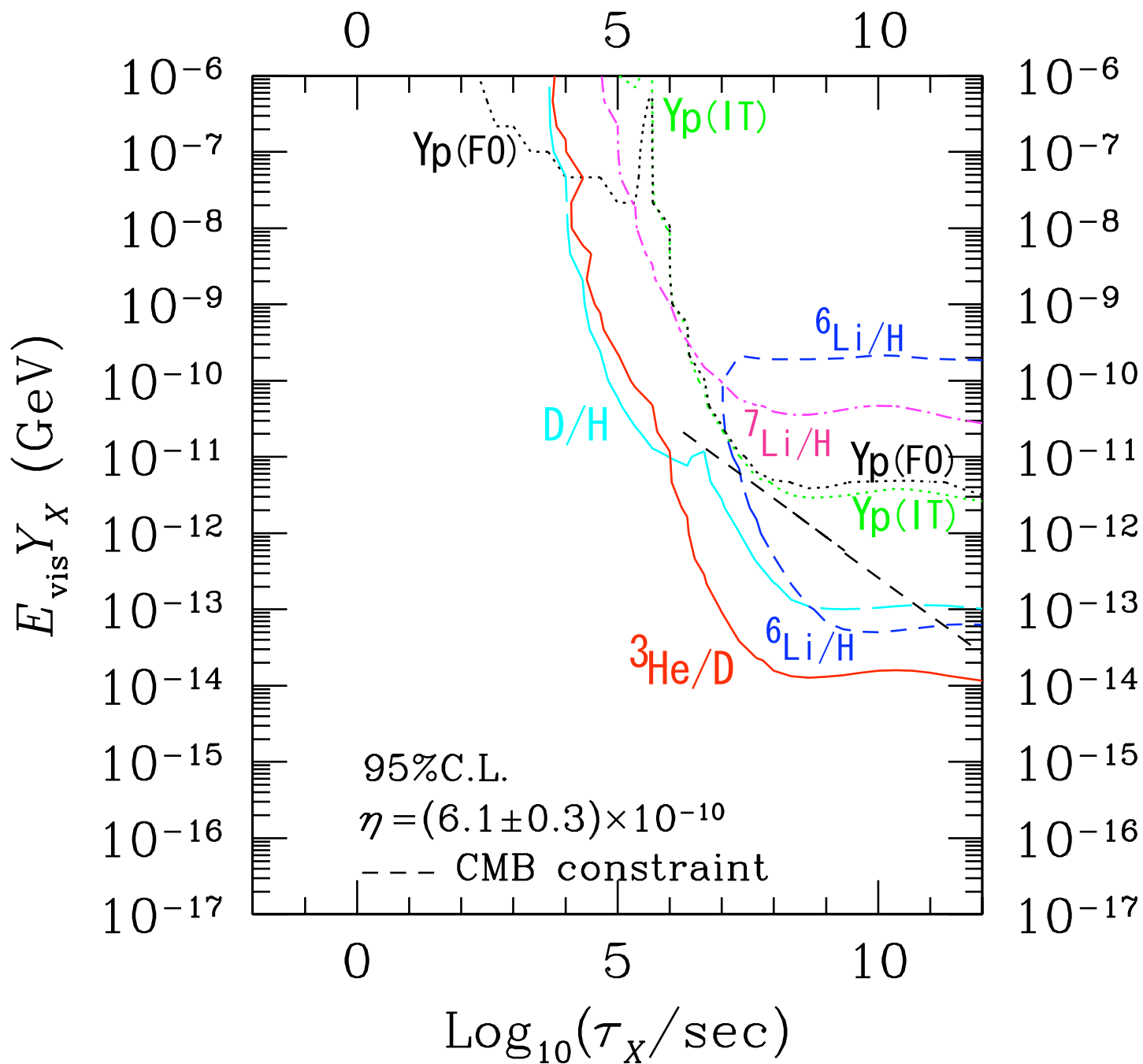
etc

→ Non-thermal Production of D and He3

→ Non-thermal Production of Li6



Constraint



He3/D Constraint

Chemical Evolution of He3 and D

Whenever He3 is destroyed, D is also destroyed

→ $\frac{{}^3\text{He}}{\text{D}}$ Increasing Function of time

Observation Gives Upper Limit

$${}^3\text{He}/\text{D} < 1.13 (2\sigma) \quad \text{Geiss (1993)}$$

$$t \lesssim 10^6 \text{ sec}$$

Destruction of D

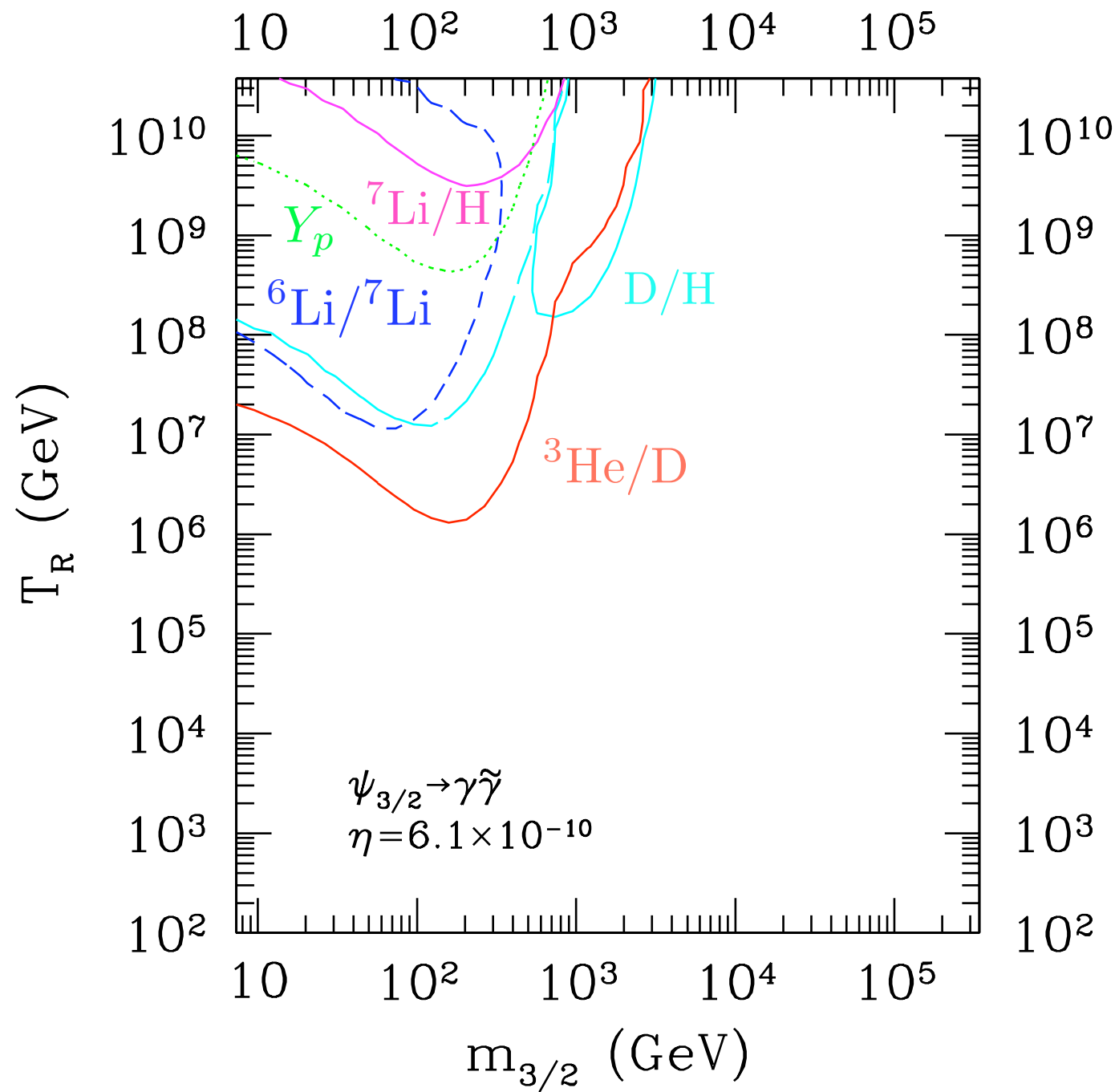
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Overproduction of He3

Application to Gravitino Problem

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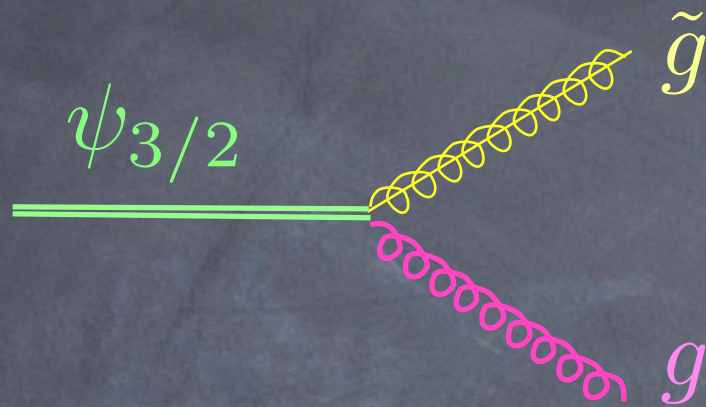
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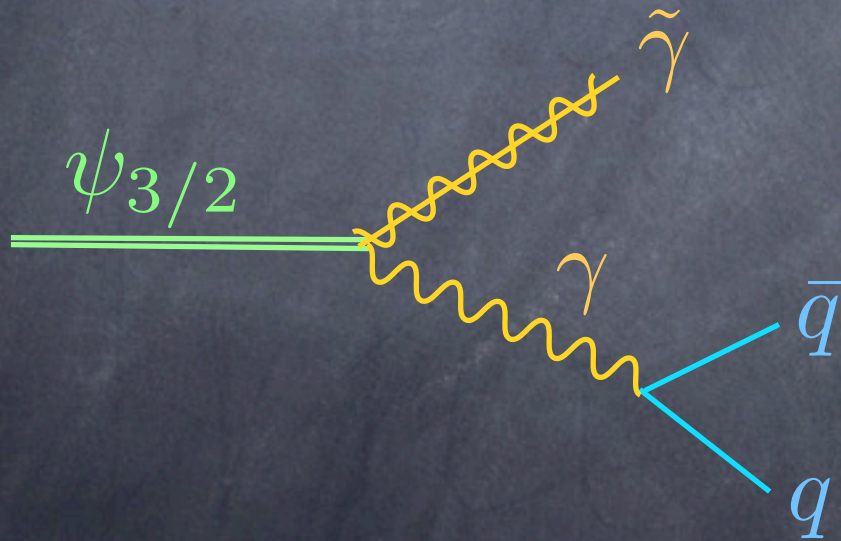
Reno, Seckel (1988)
Dimopoulos et al (1989)



$$B_h \sim 1$$

Two hadron jets
with $E = m/2$

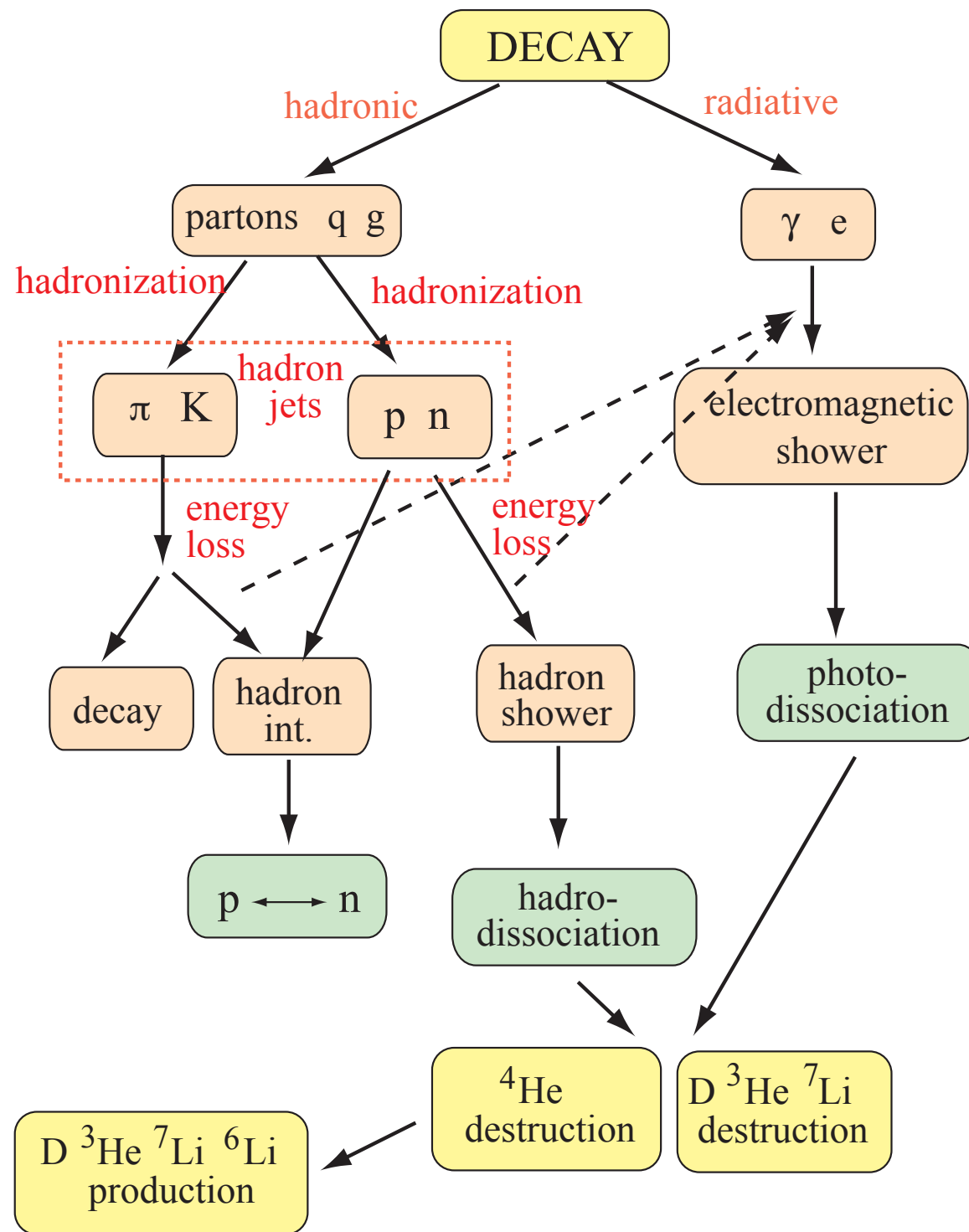
Even if gravitino only decay into photino



$$B_h \sim \alpha/4\pi \sim 0.001$$

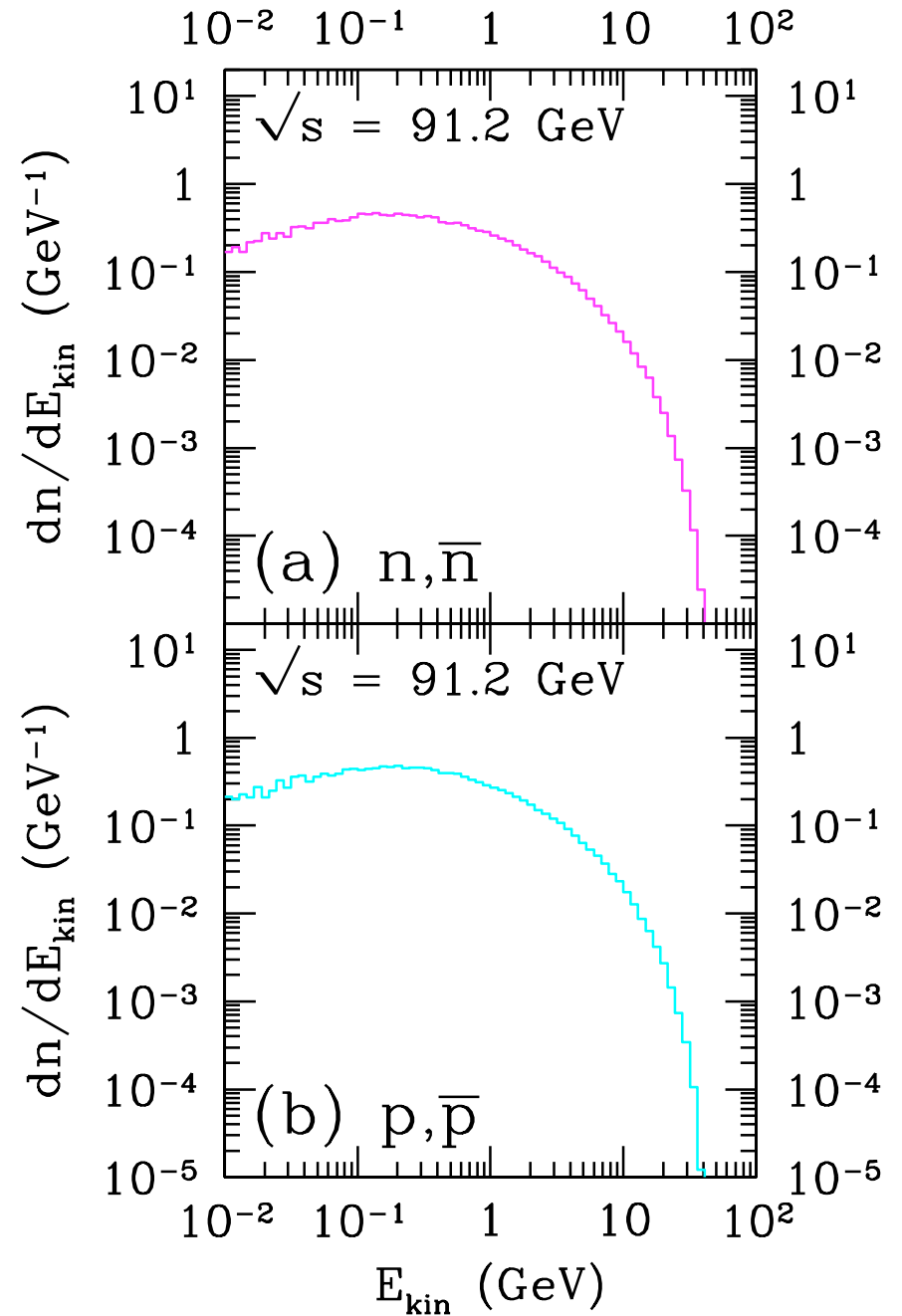
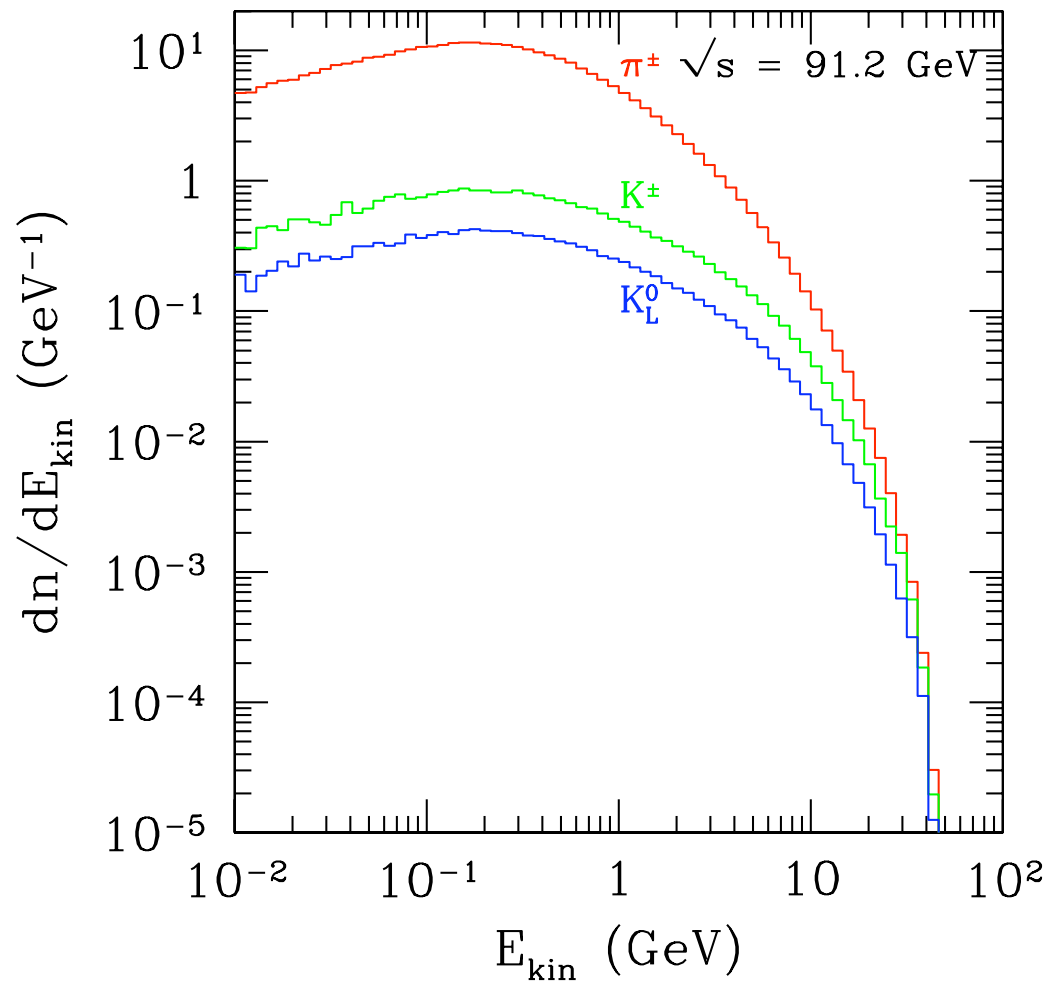
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Overview



Spectrum of hadron jets

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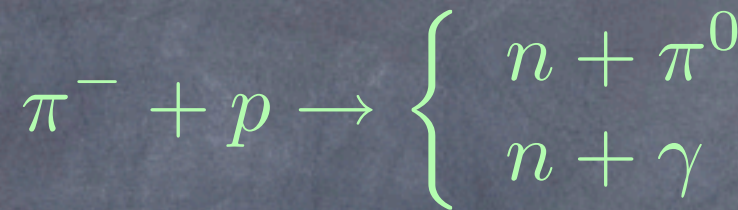
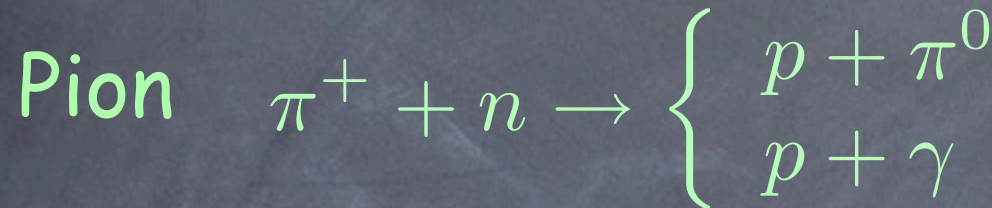


Effect of hadron injection on BBN

(I) Early stage of BBN

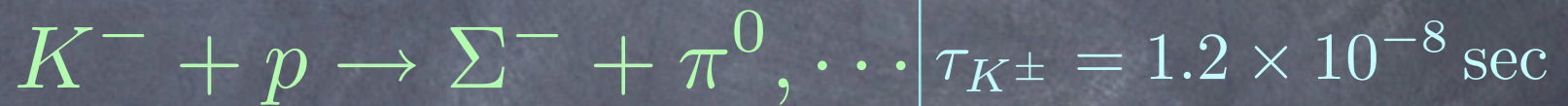
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Kohri (2001)



$$\tau_{\pi^\pm} = 2.6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ sec}$$

Kaon



$$\tau_{K^\pm} = 1.2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ sec}$$

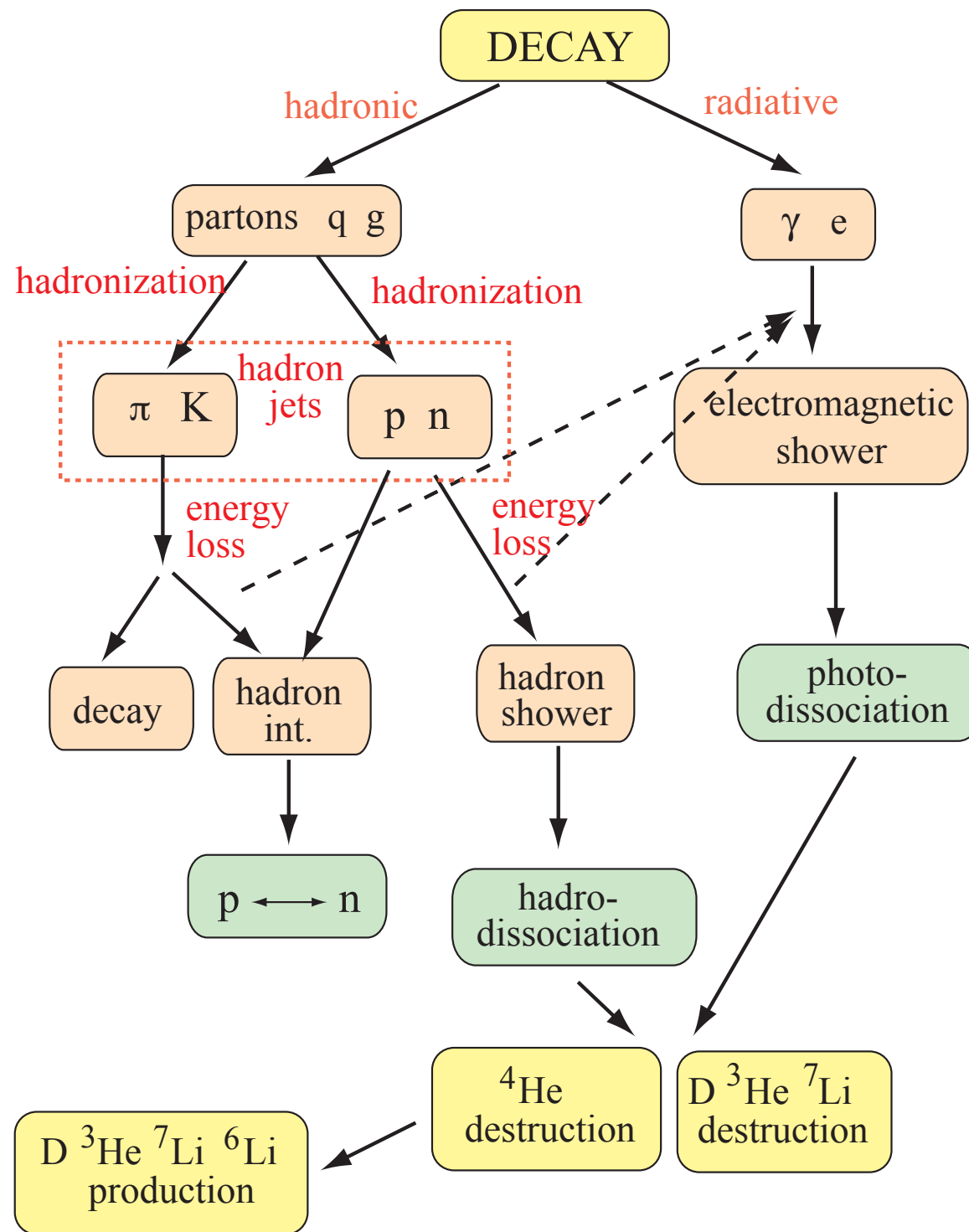


$$\tau_{K_L} = 5.2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ sec}$$

Hadron-Nucleon interaction rate

$$\Gamma_{N \rightarrow N'} \sim 10^8 \text{ sec}^{-1} (\sigma v / 10 \text{ mb}) (T / 2 \text{ MeV})^3$$

Overview



p-n interchange interaction rate

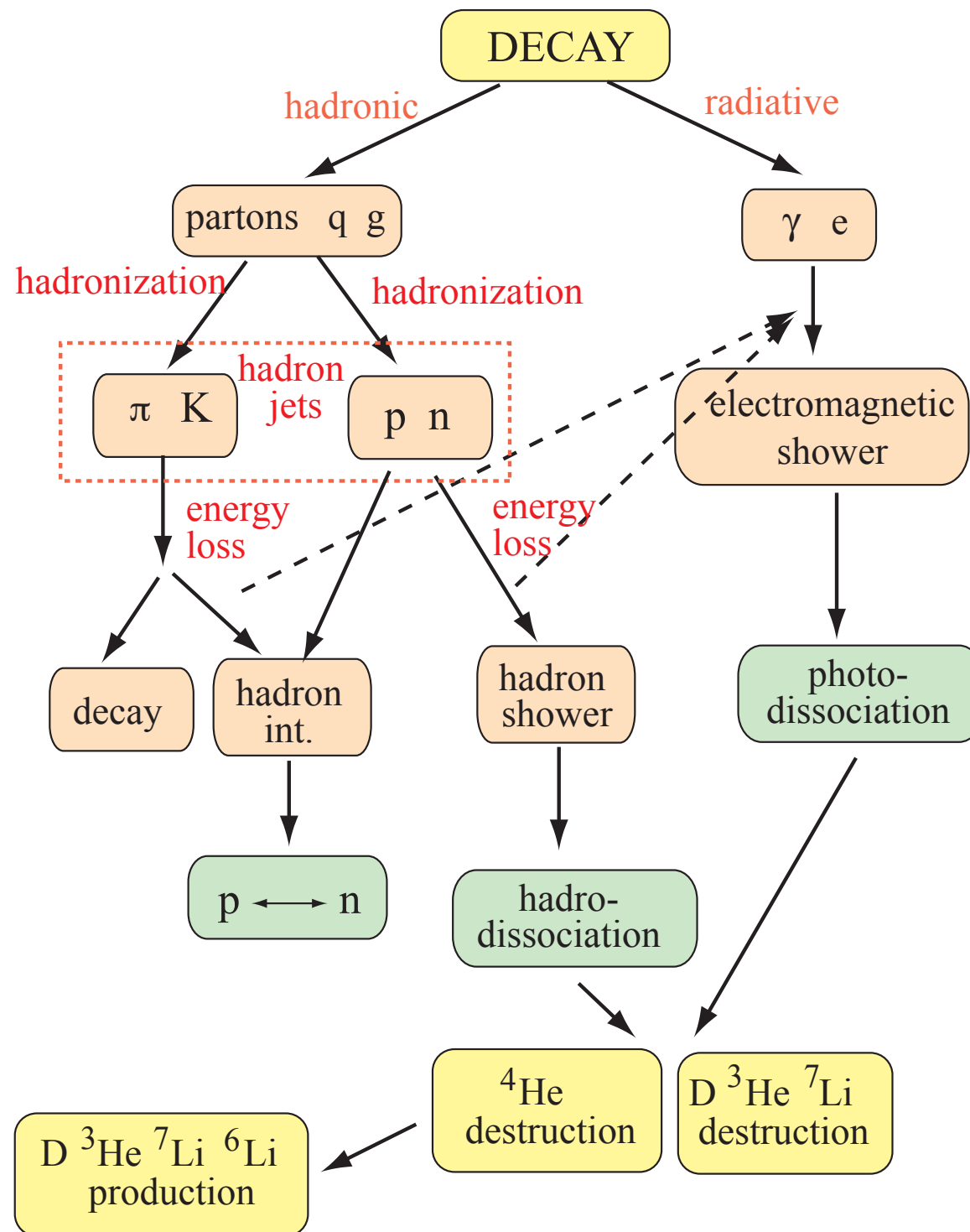
$$\Gamma_{N \rightarrow N'} = \Gamma_{N \rightarrow N'}^{\text{std}} + \Gamma_{N \rightarrow N'}^{\pi, K}$$

→ n-p ratio increases
(std: $n/p \sim 1/7$)

→ More He4



Overview

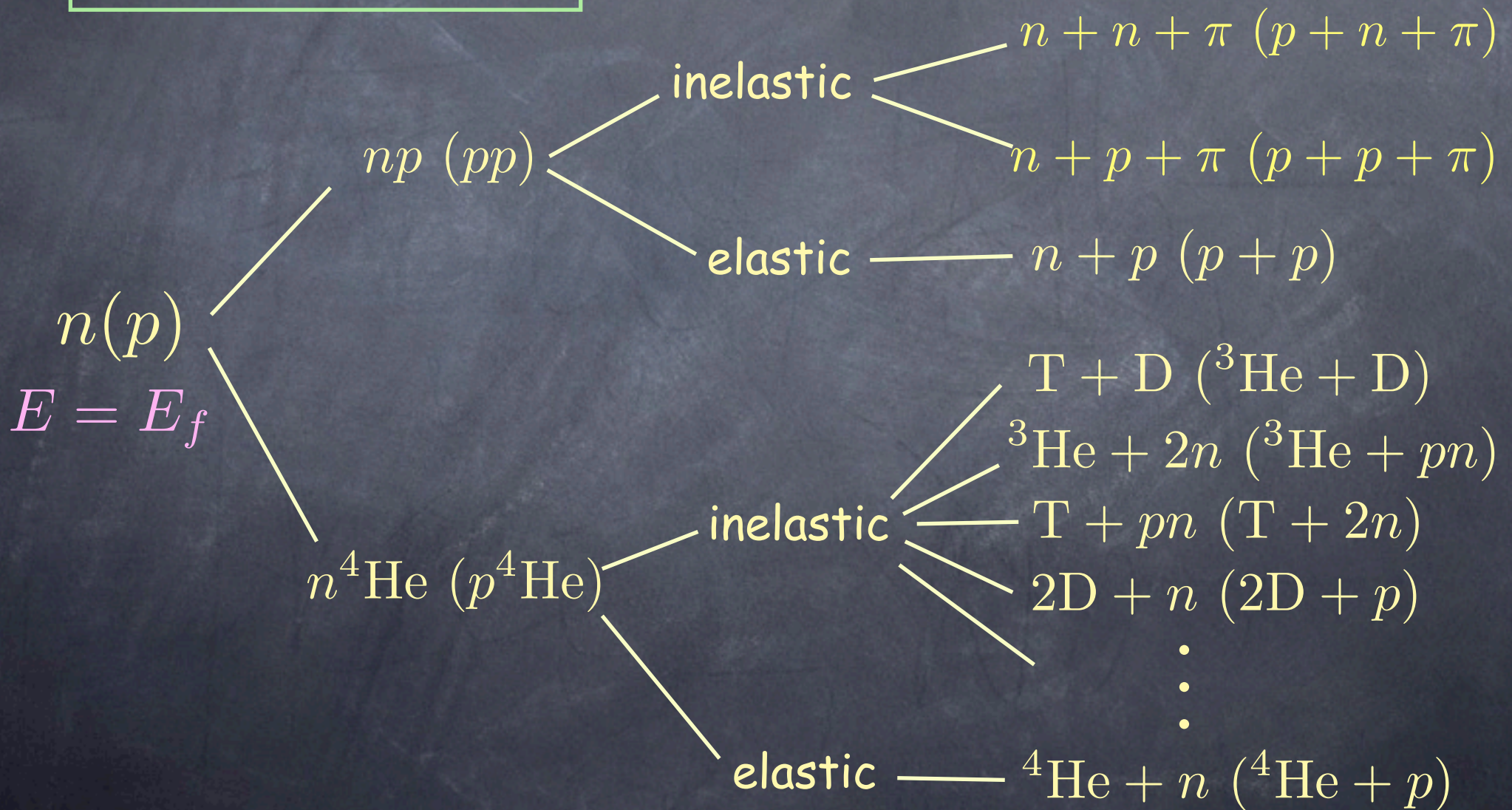


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(II) Late stage of BBN

Dimopoulos et al (1989)

Hadron Shower



Energy Loss

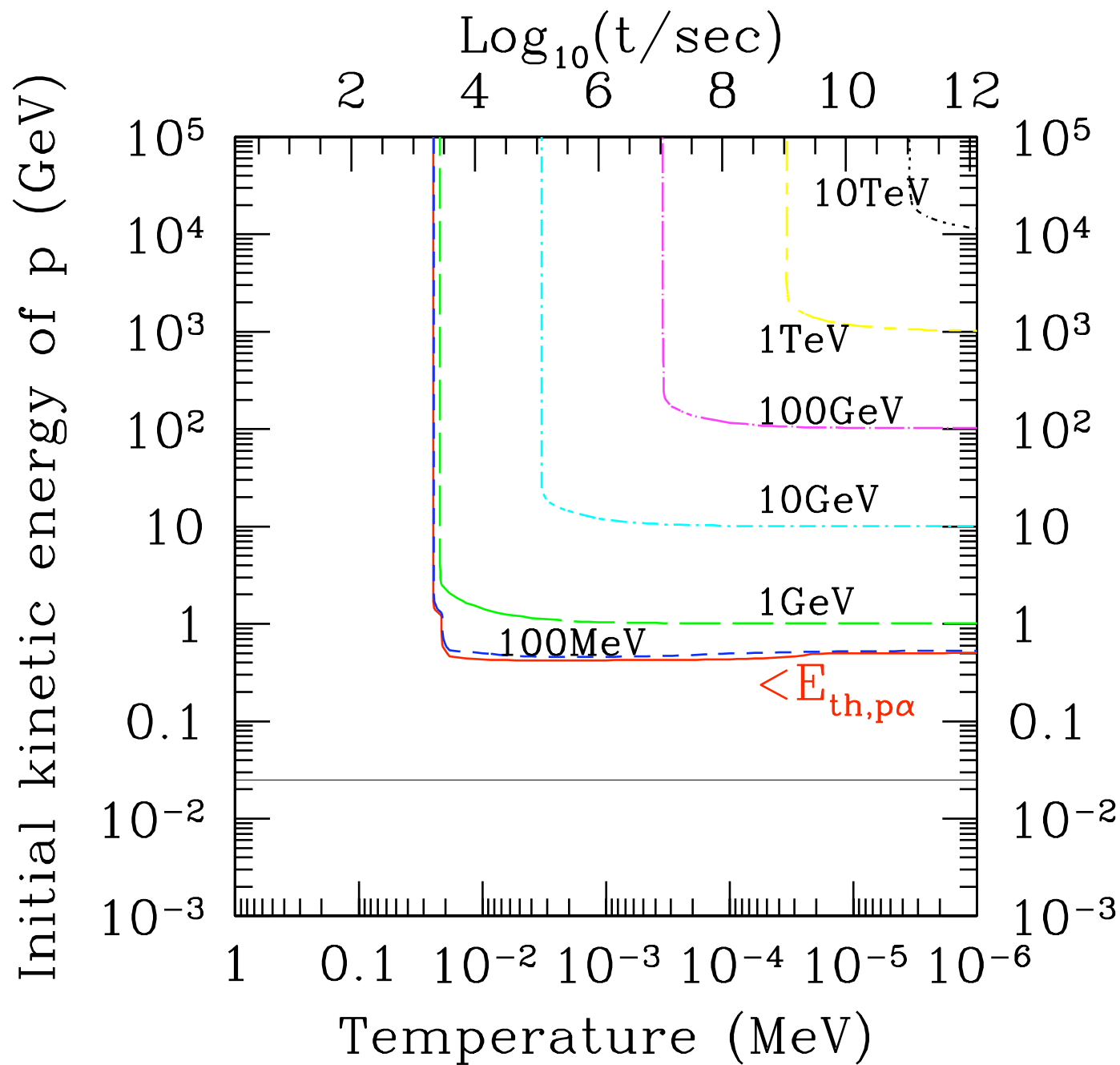
High energy hadrons lose their energy by Coulomb and Compton scatterings off background photons and electrons before they interacts with nuclei

■ Non-relativistic Nucleus

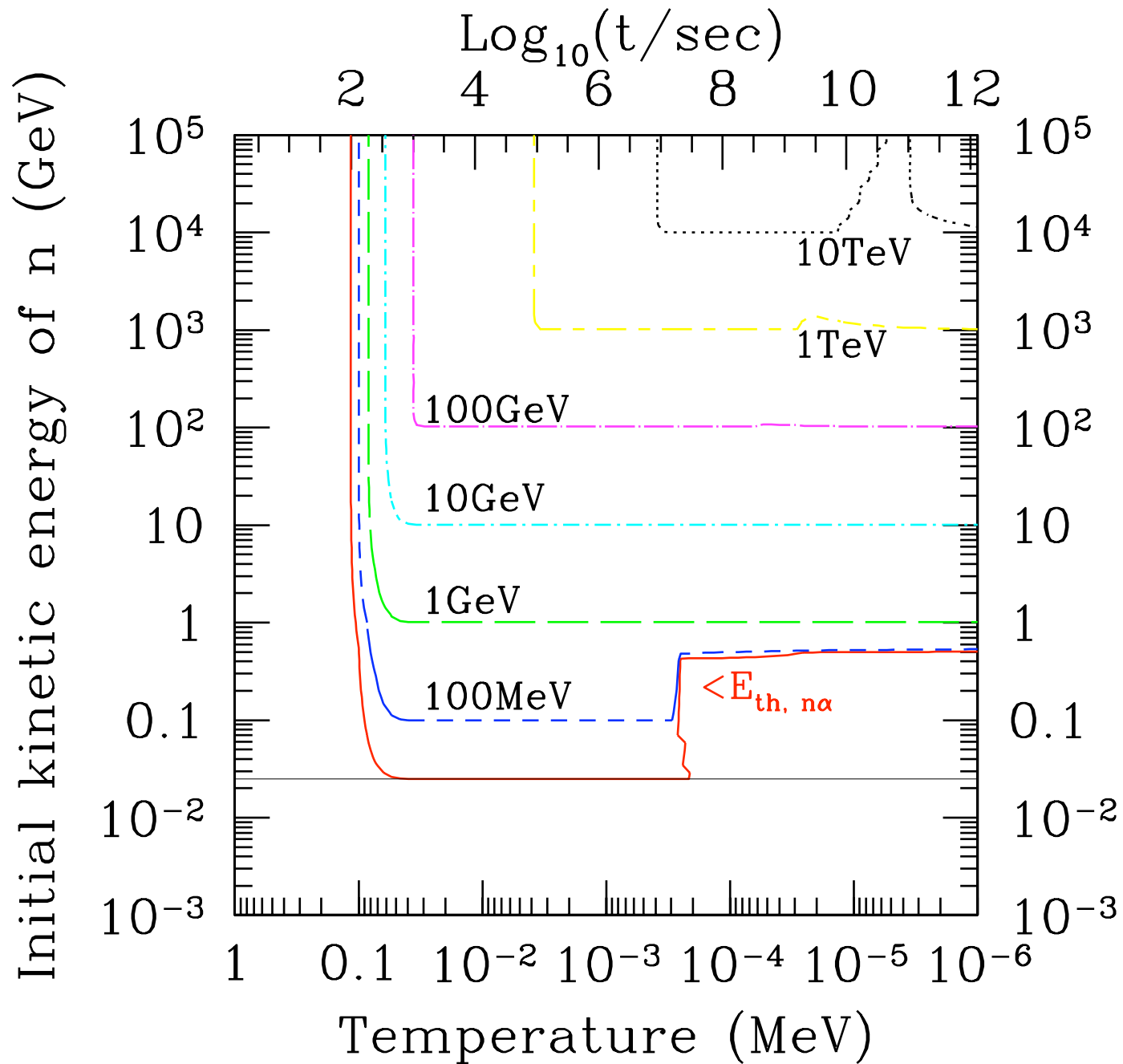
$$v_N > v_e$$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = - \frac{4\pi\alpha^2 \Lambda Z^2 n_e}{m_e v_N} \quad \Lambda \sim O(1)$$

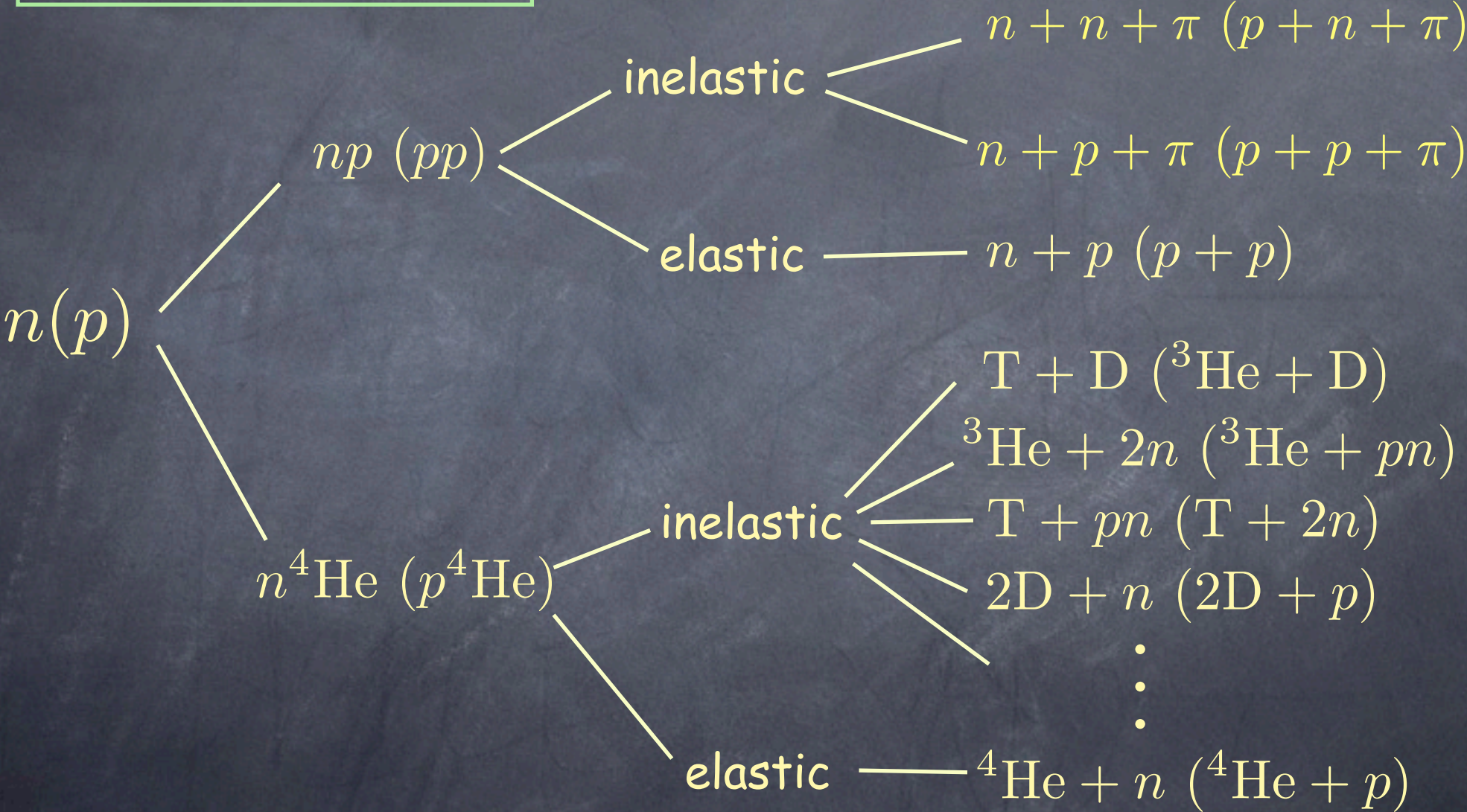
Final Energy of Proton



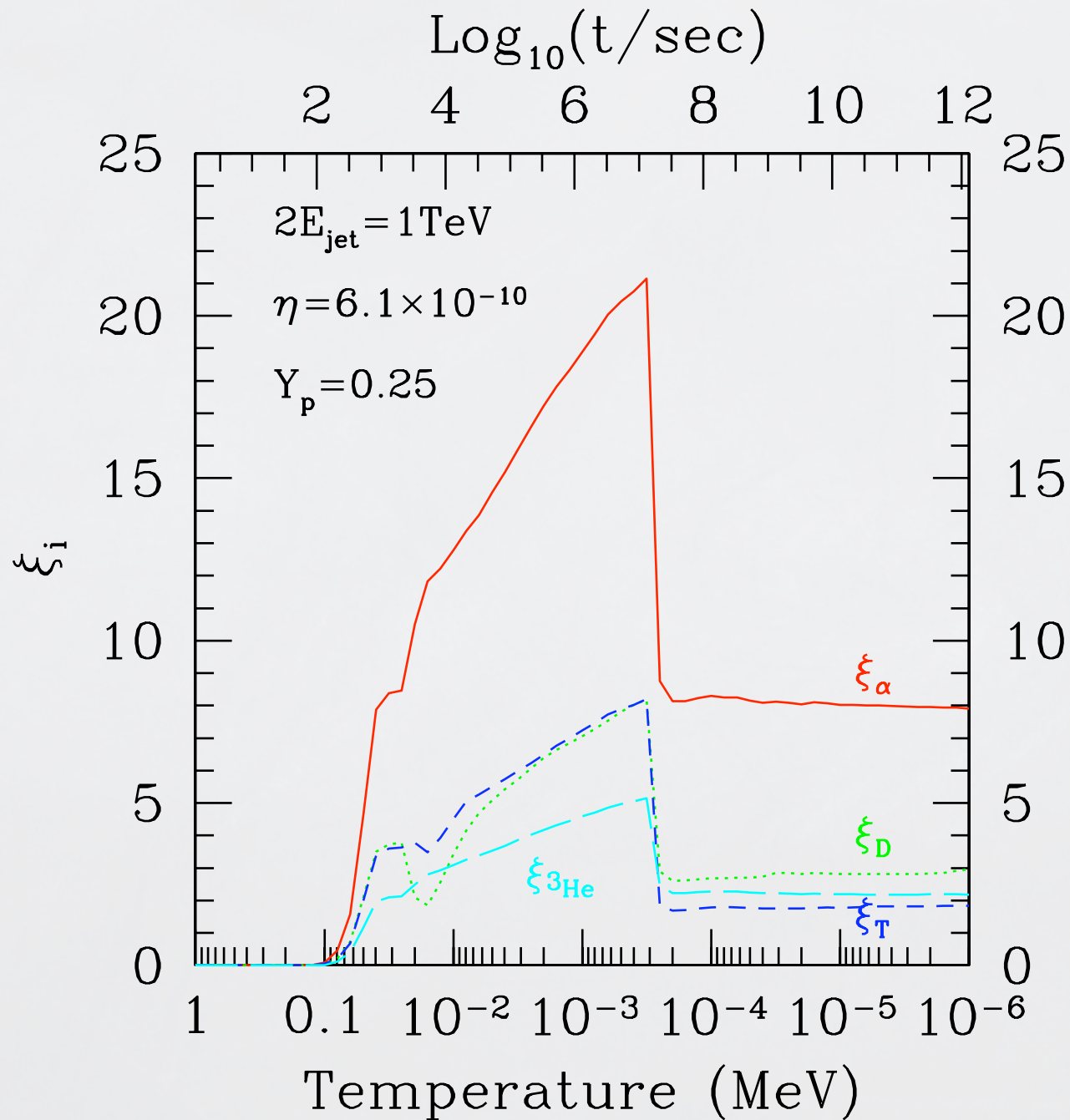
Final Energy of Neutron



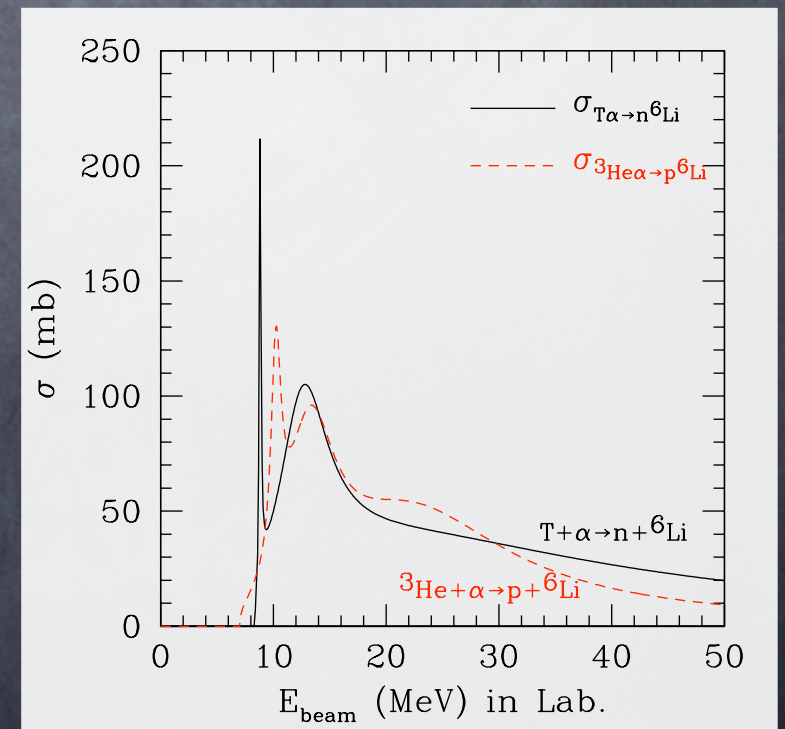
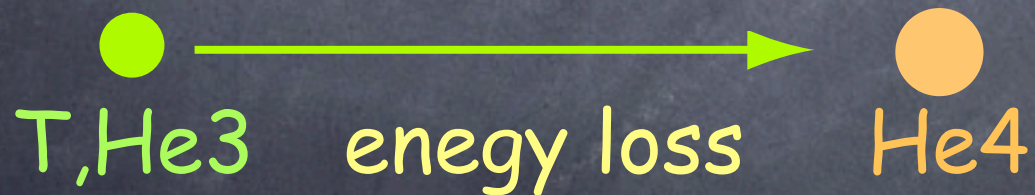
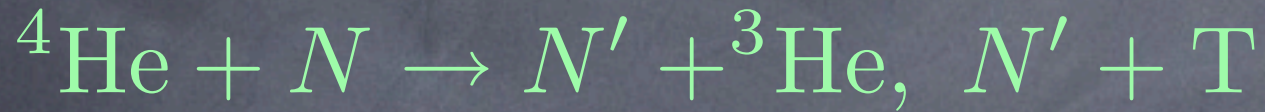
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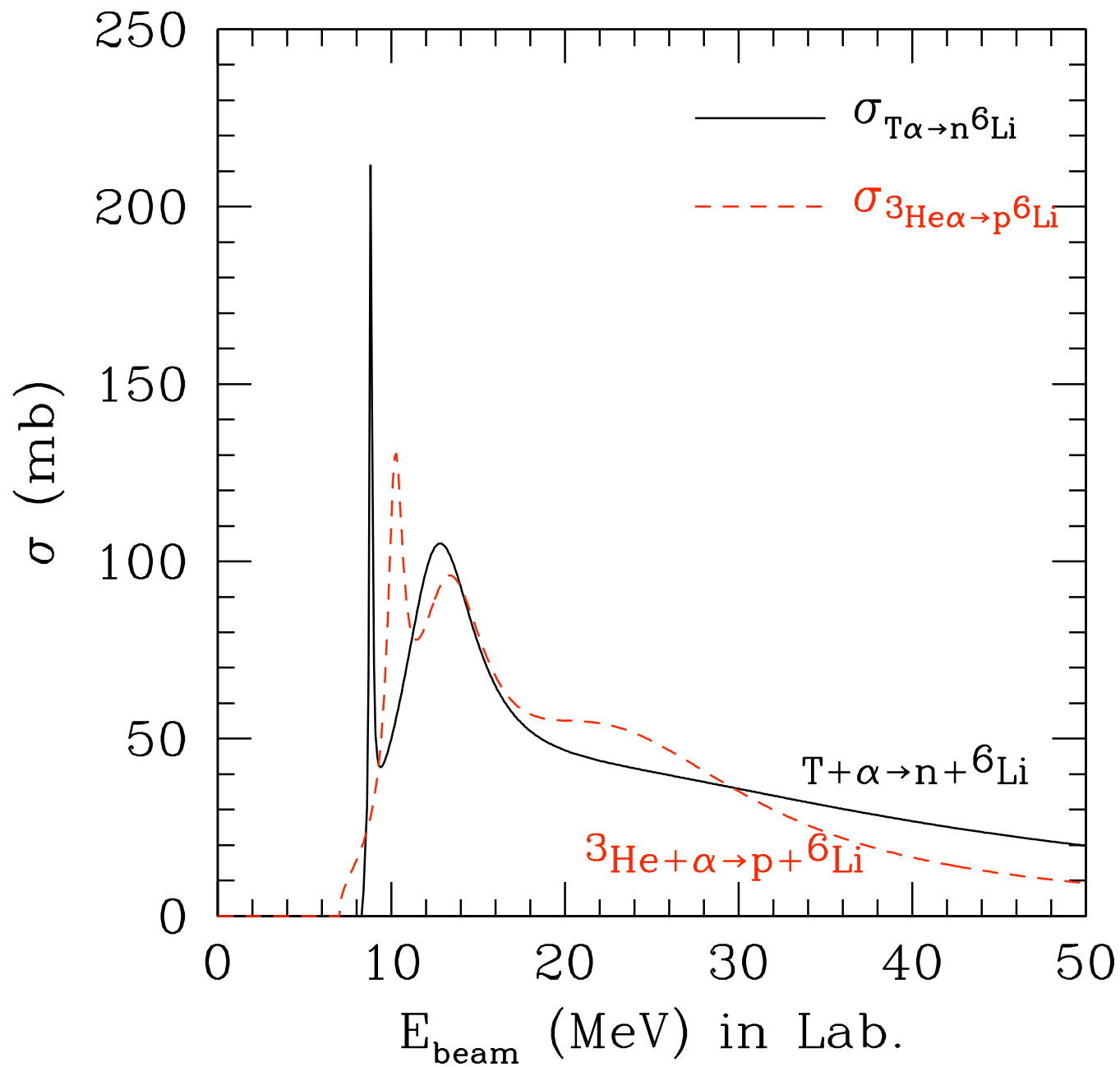


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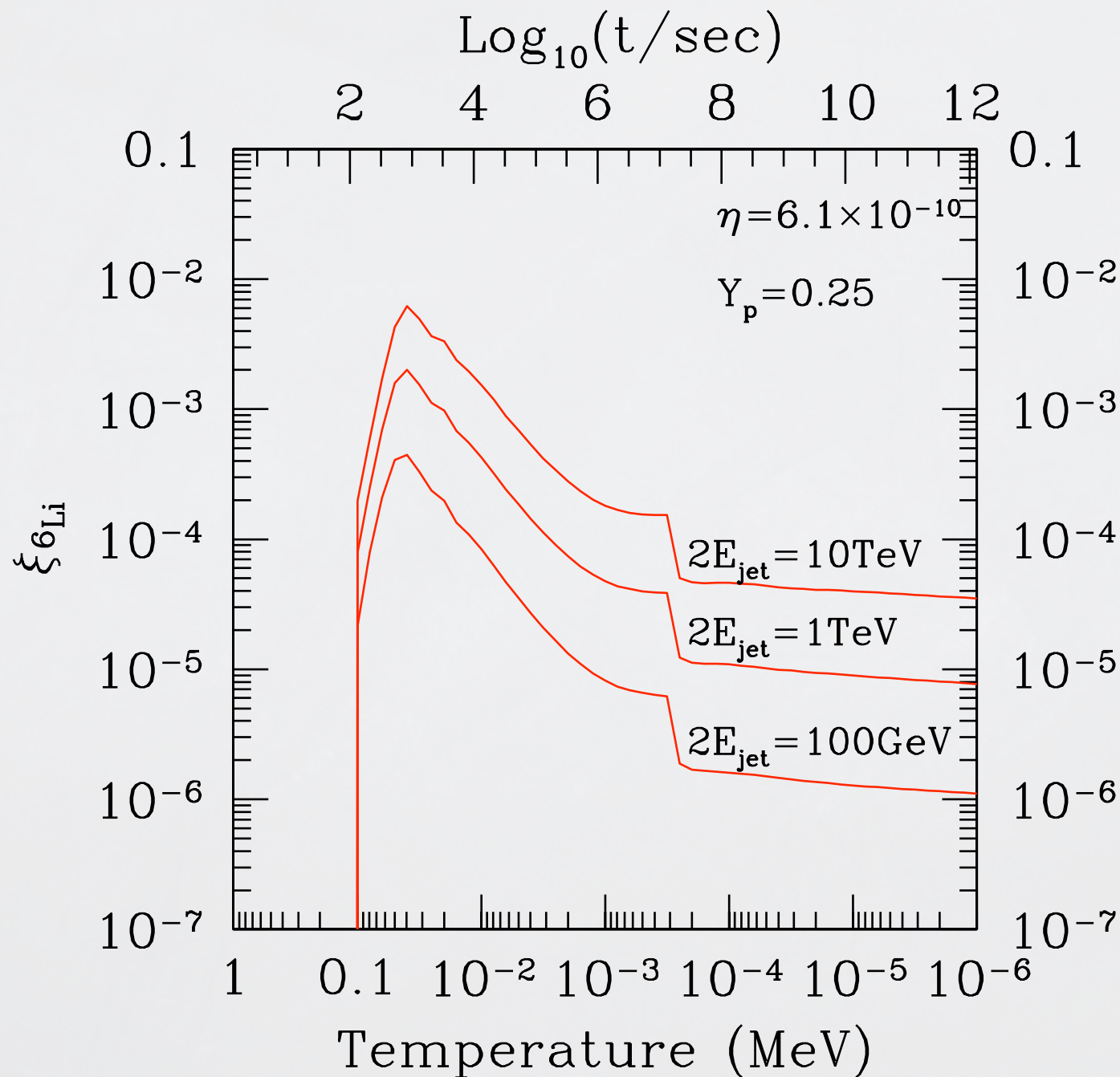


Non-thermal Production of Li6





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Estimate non-thermal production and destruction rates for D, T, He3, He4, Li6, Li7



Run BBN code

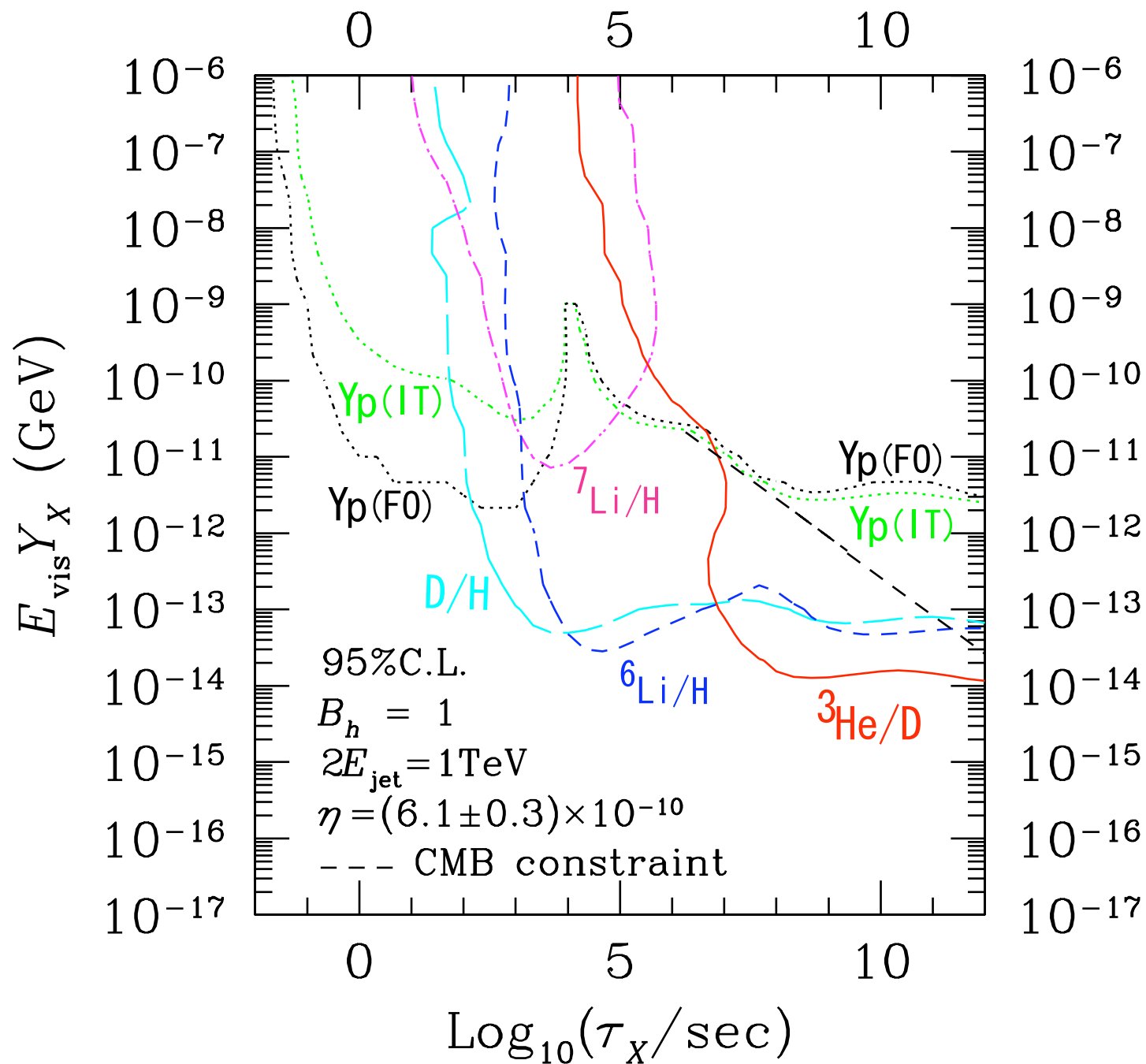


Compare theoretical and observational abundances of light elements

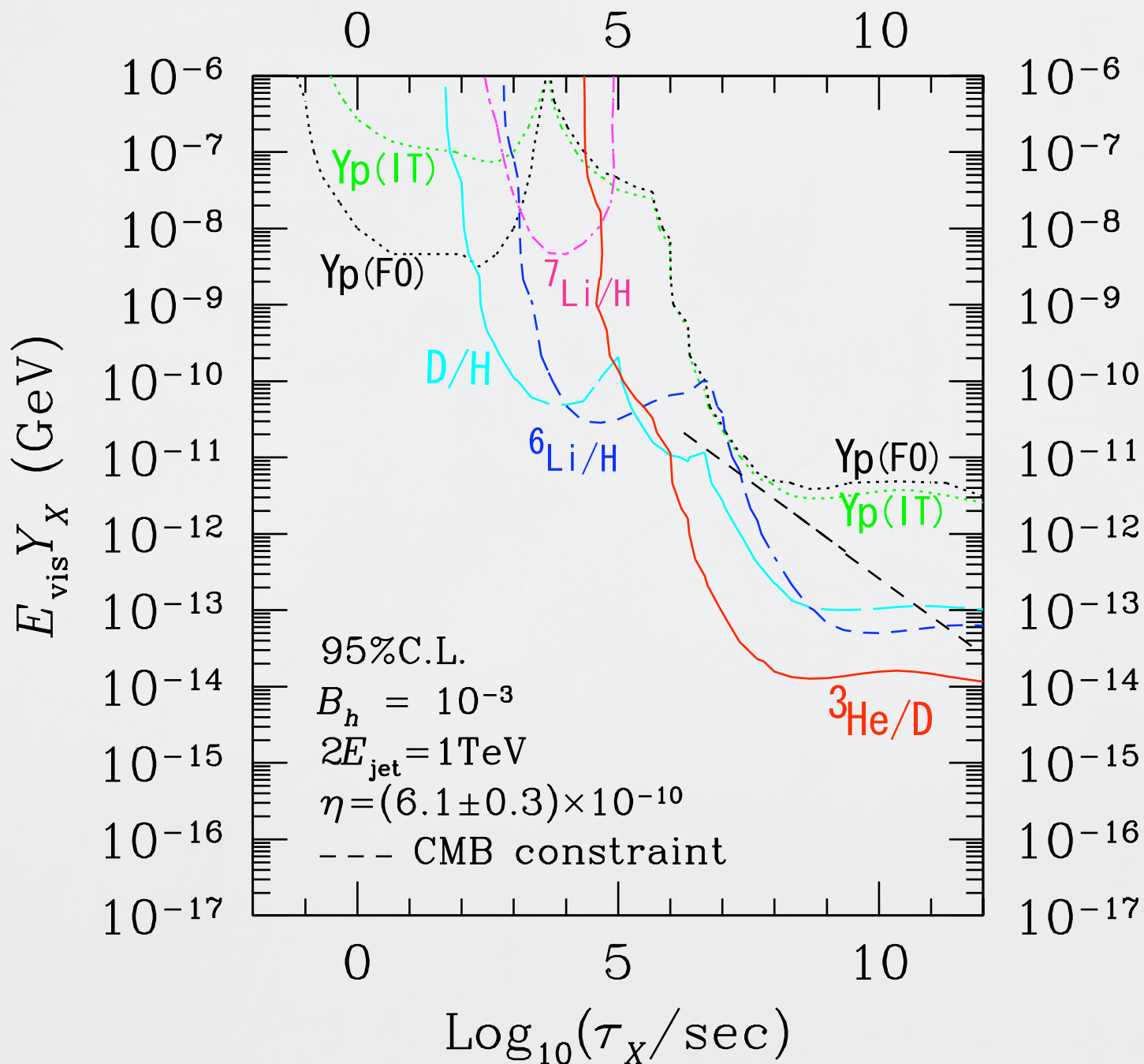


Constraint on abundance and lifetime of gravitino

Constraint on Abundance and Lifetime



Constraint on Abundance and Lifetime (3)



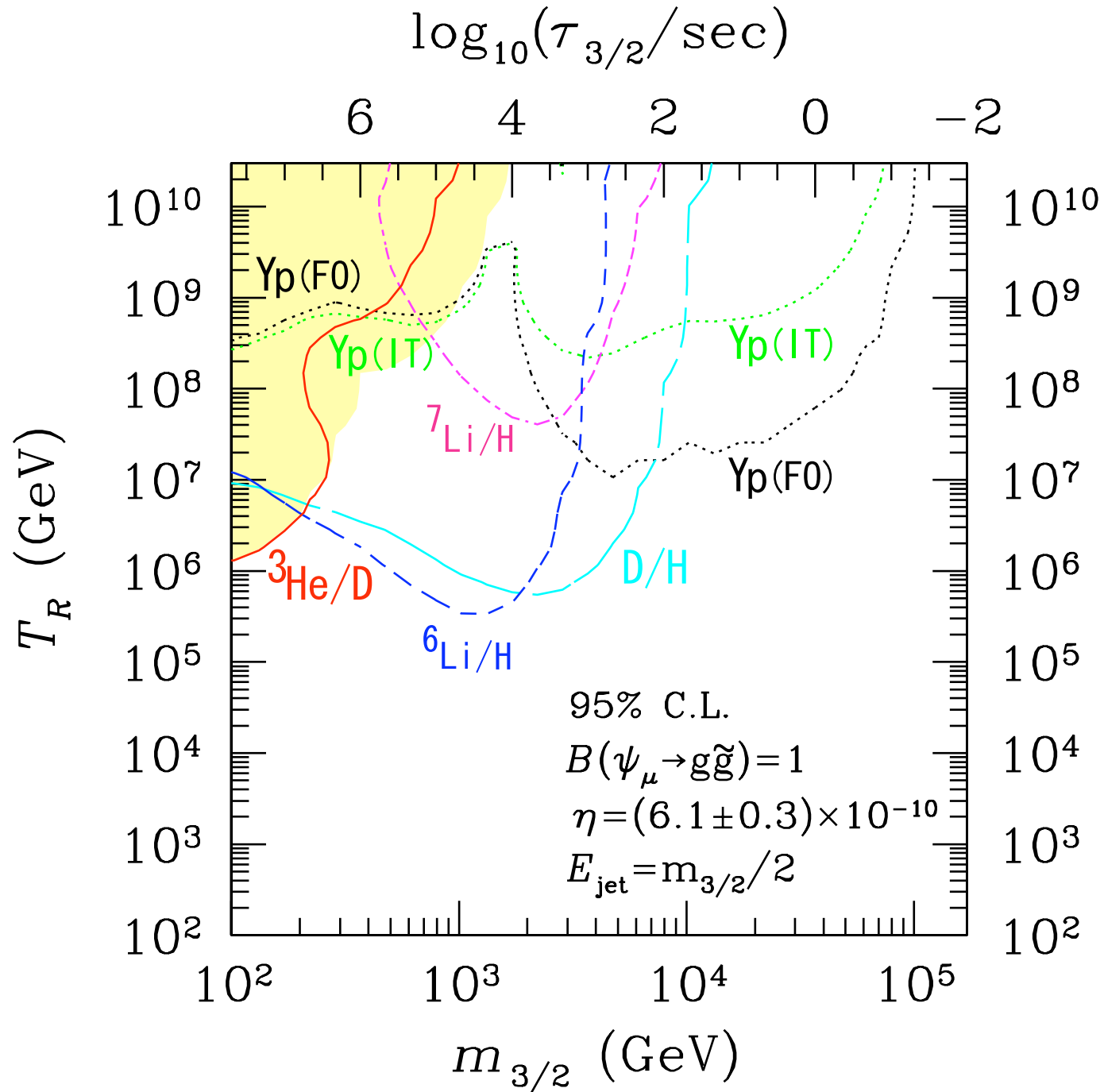
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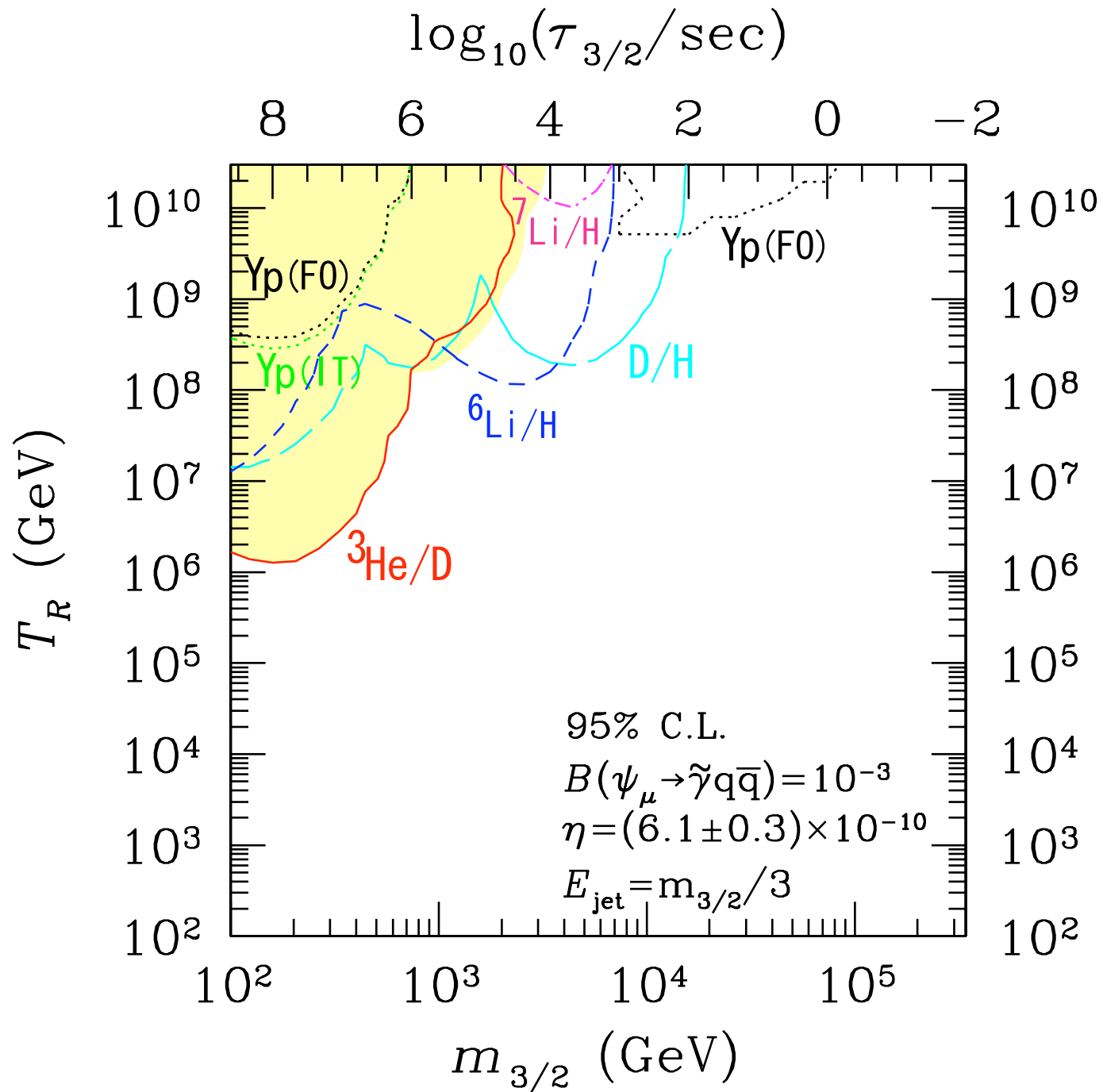
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Constraint on Reheating Temperature



Constraint on Reheating Temperature (2)



Conclusion

- Decay products destroy He4, which leads to overproduction of D, He3, Li6
- In particular, for hadronic decay, the constraint on reheating temperature is very stringent

$$T_R \lesssim 10^5 - 10^7 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{for } m_{3/2} = 100 \text{ GeV} - 3 \text{ TeV}$$