

Direct *Deflection* of Dark Matter

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predictive cosmology

(freeze-in)

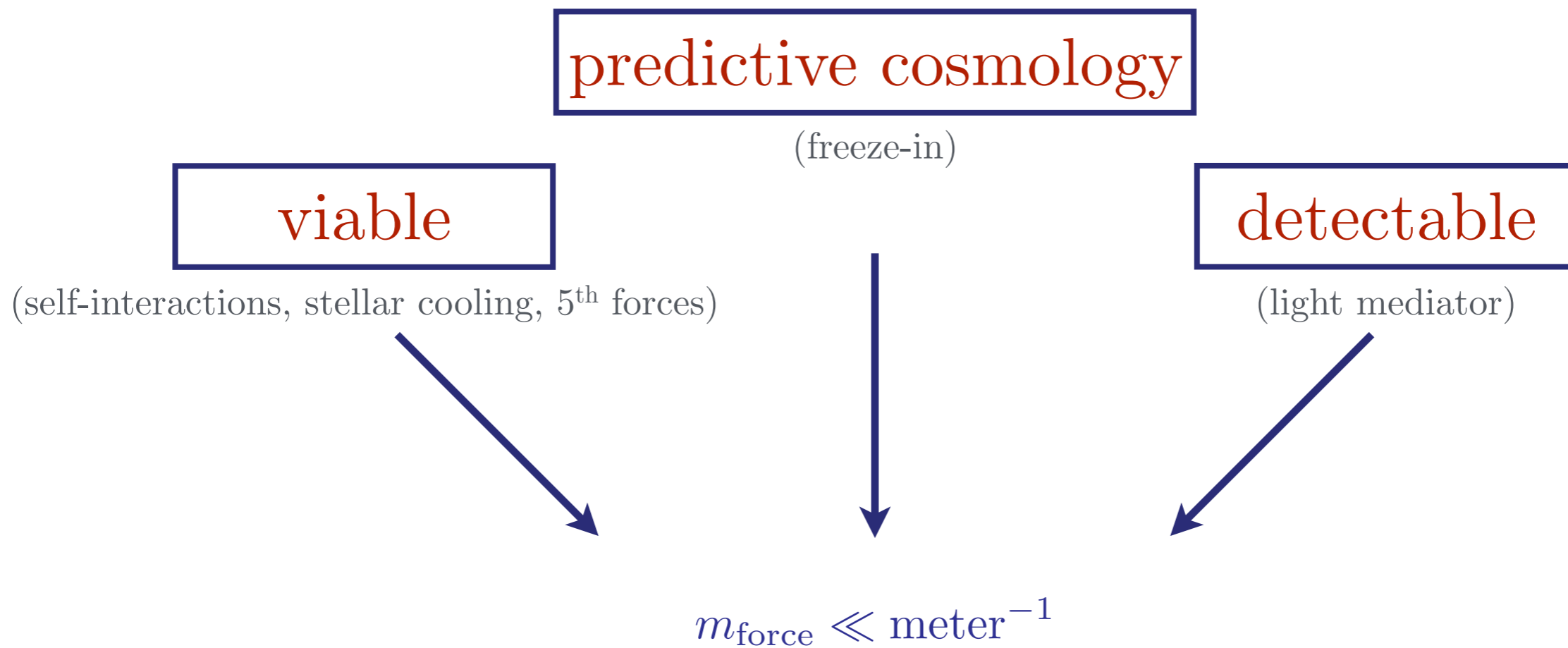
viable

(self-interactions, stellar cooling, 5th forces)

detectable

(light mediator)

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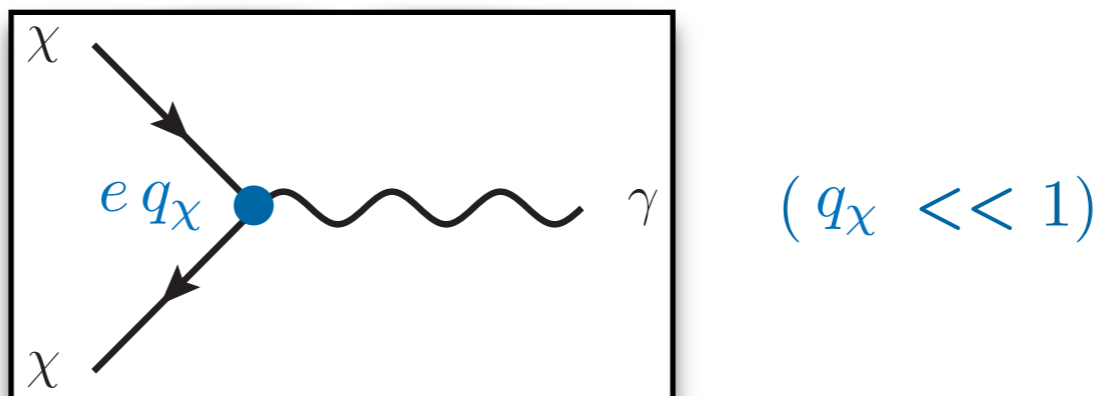
millicharge-like on meter length scales

Millicharges

New Long-Ranged Forces

“millicharged”

at low-energy and laboratory-distances:



How can this interaction arise?

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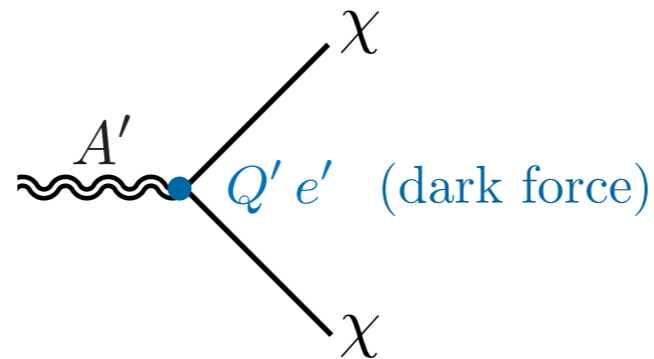
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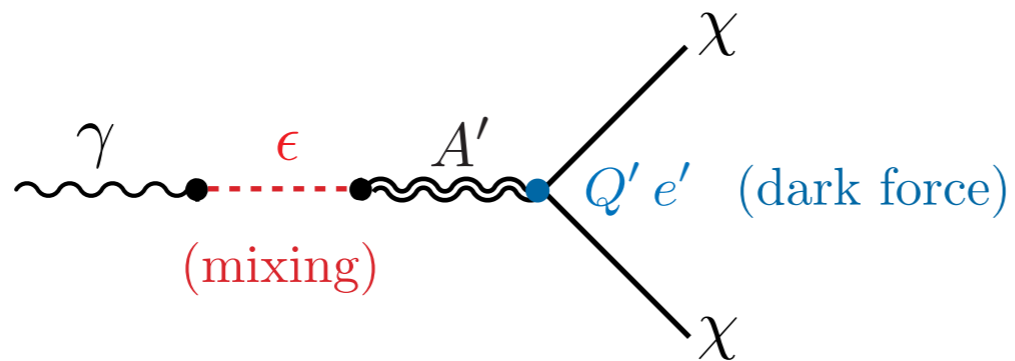


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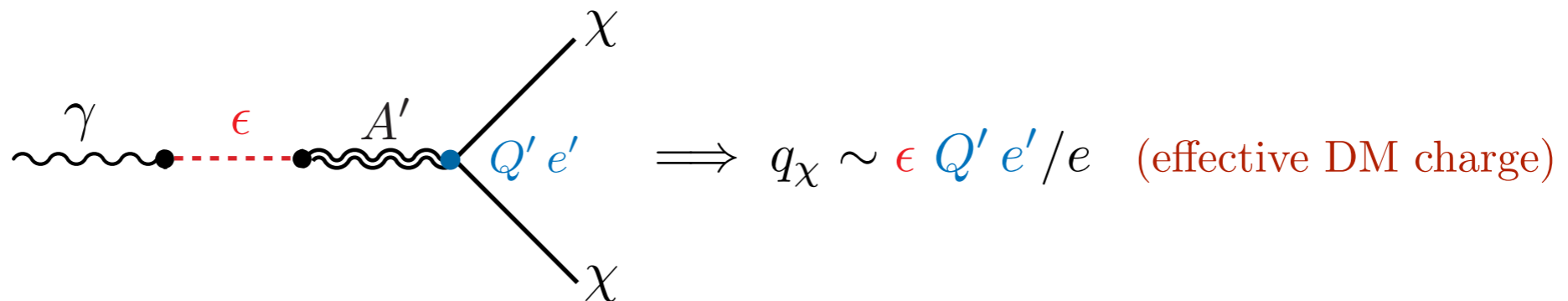


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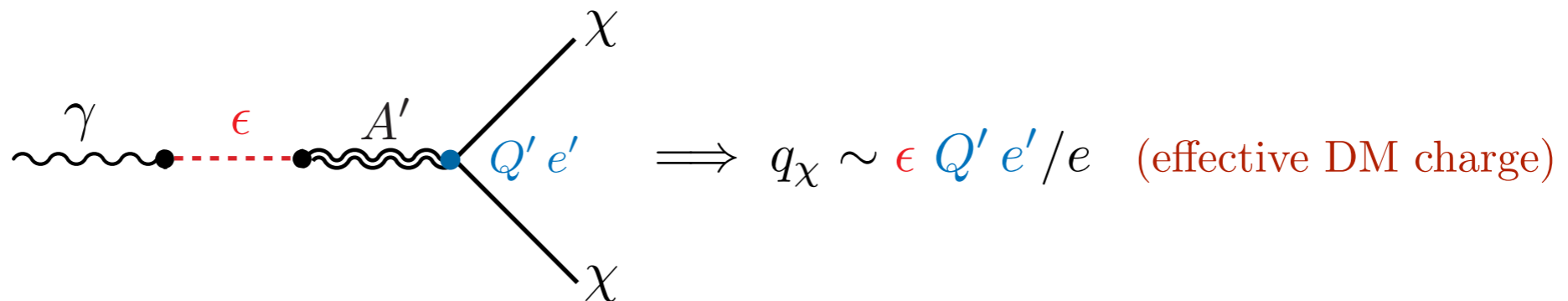


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small millicharges from radiatively induced mixing

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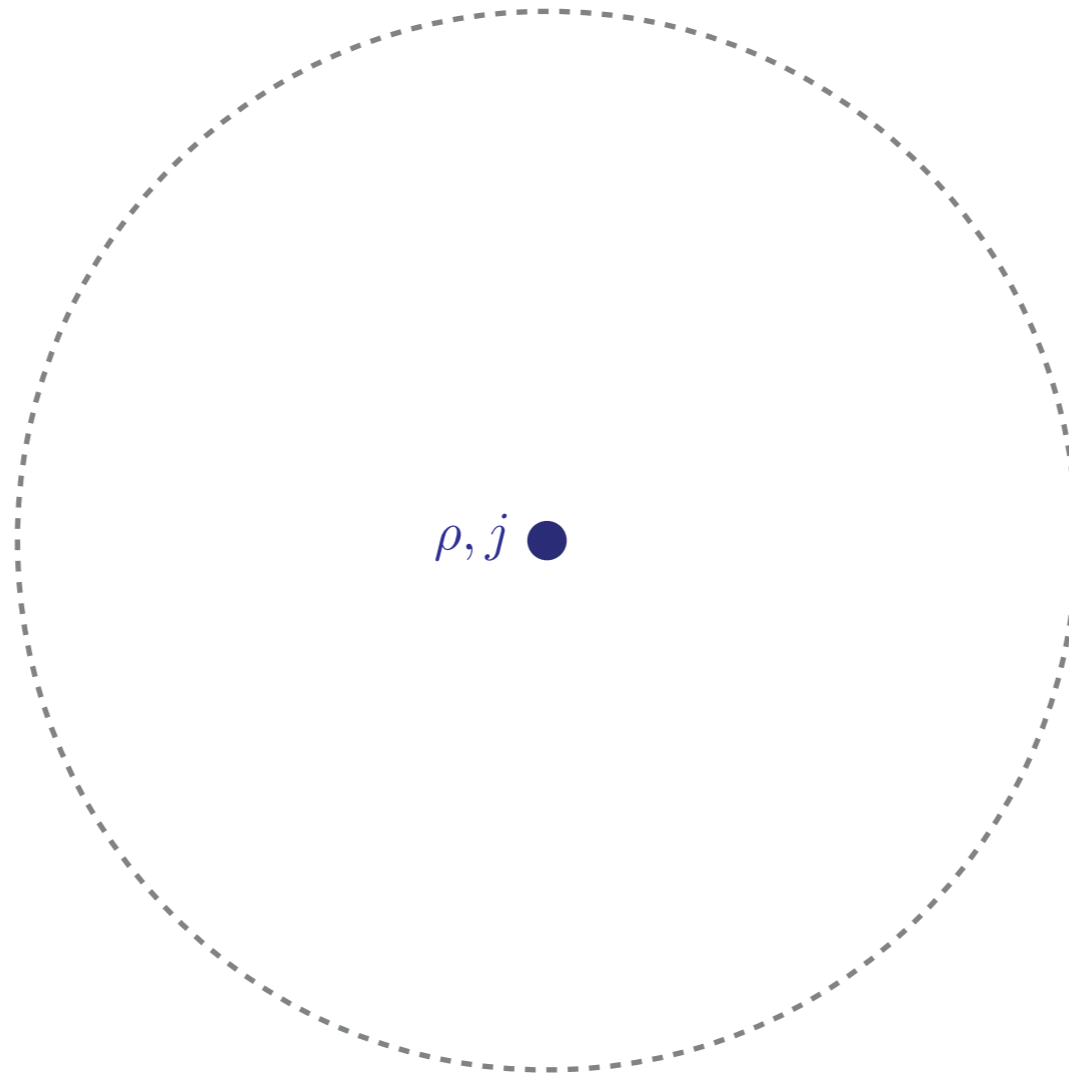
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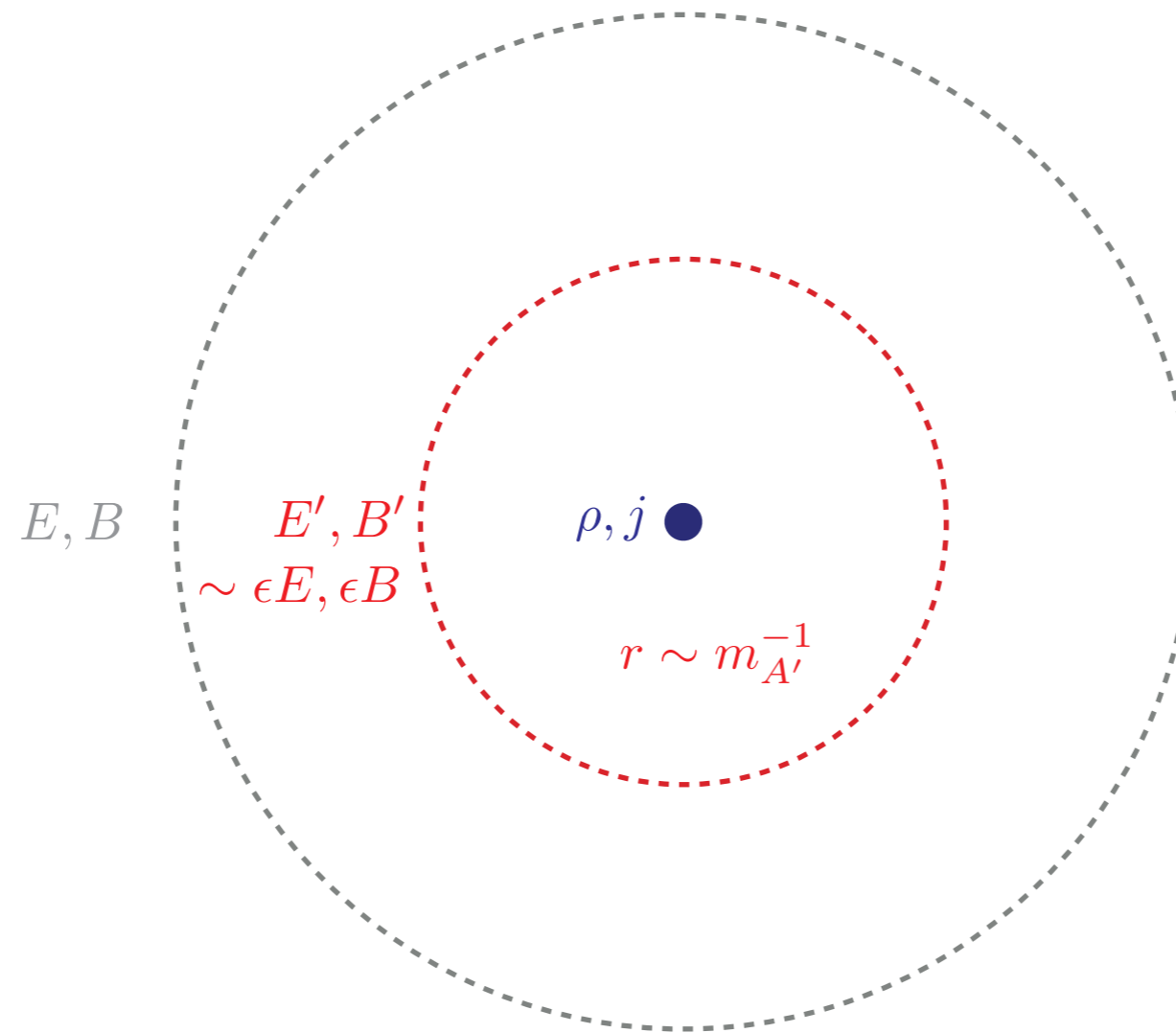
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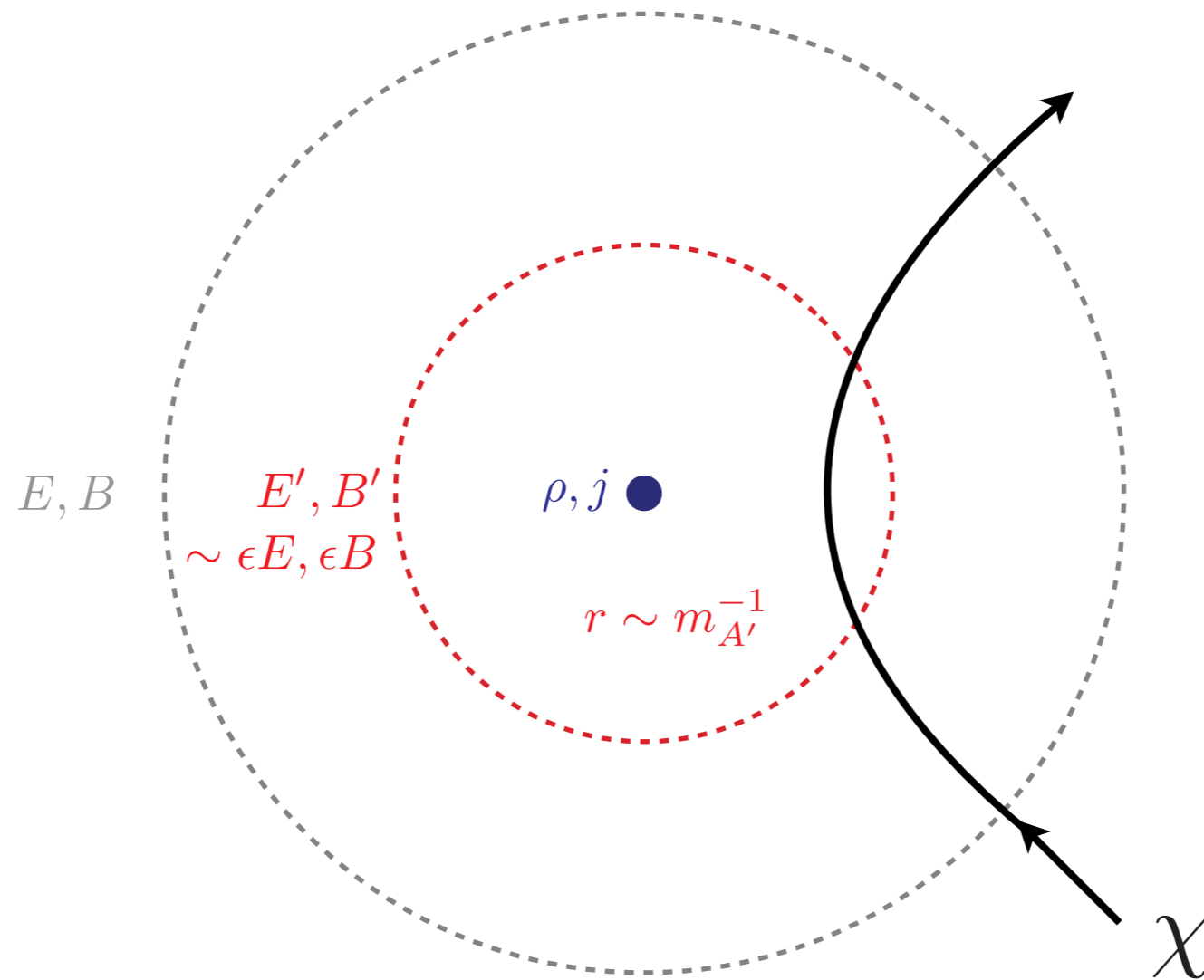
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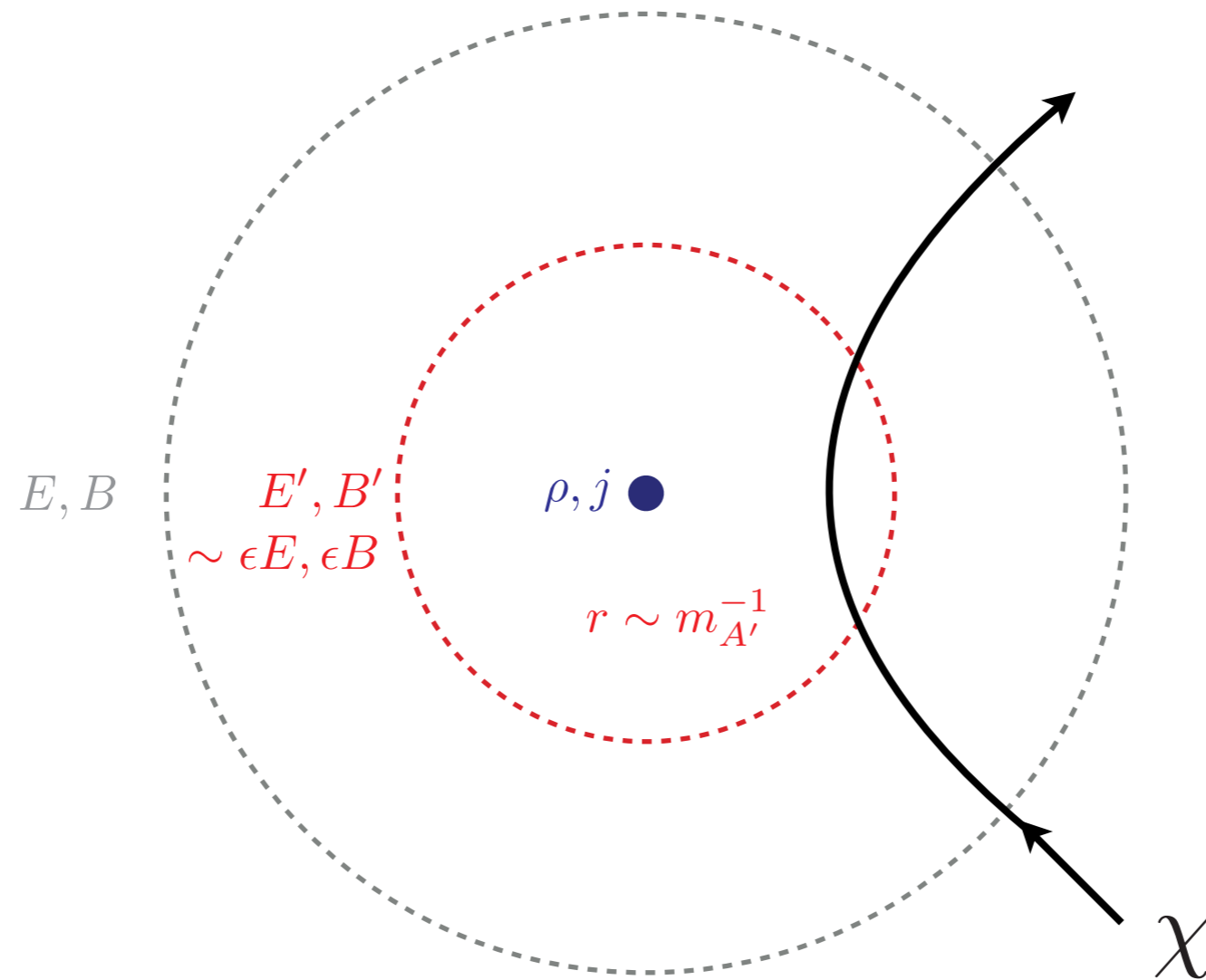
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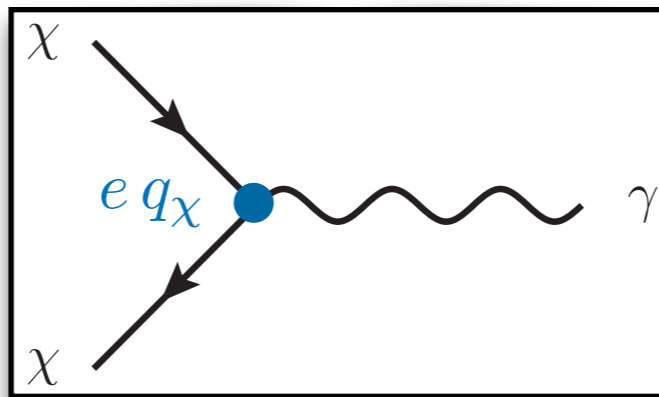
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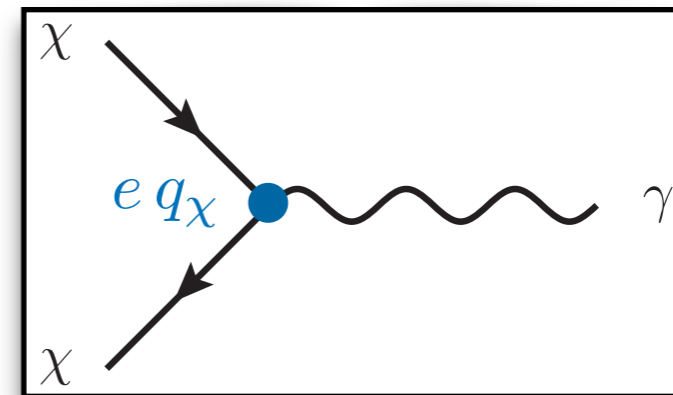
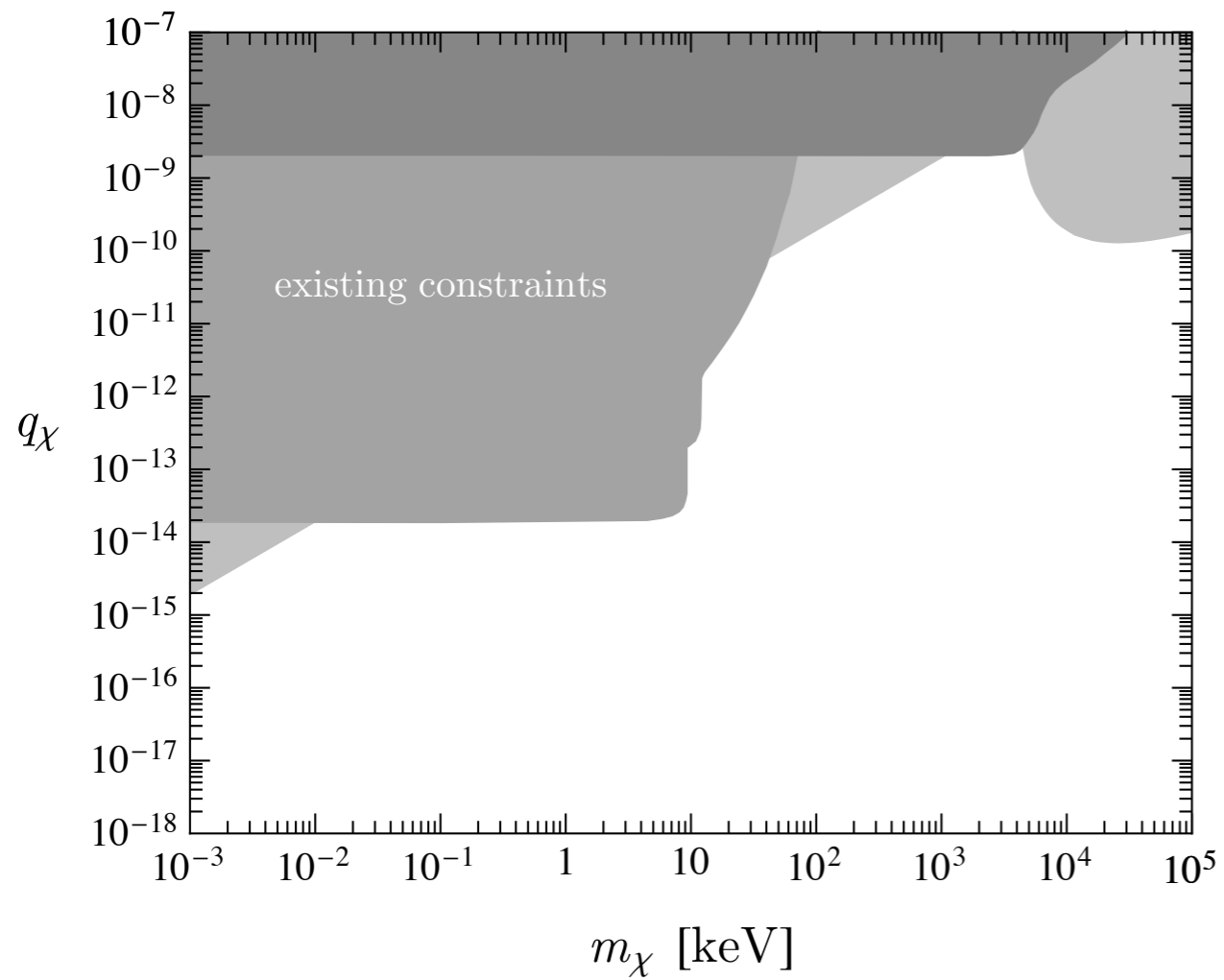
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How is this cosmologically viable/motivated?

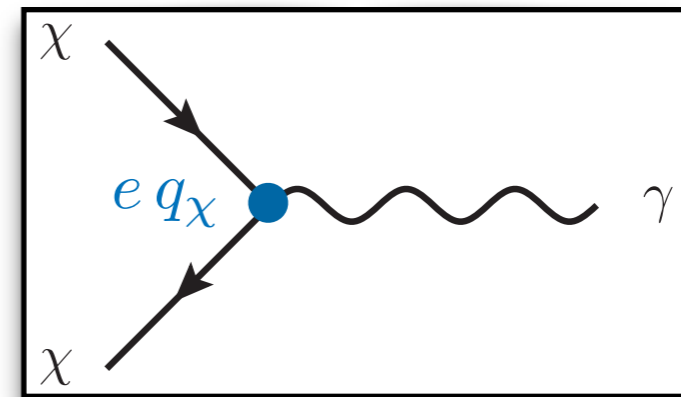
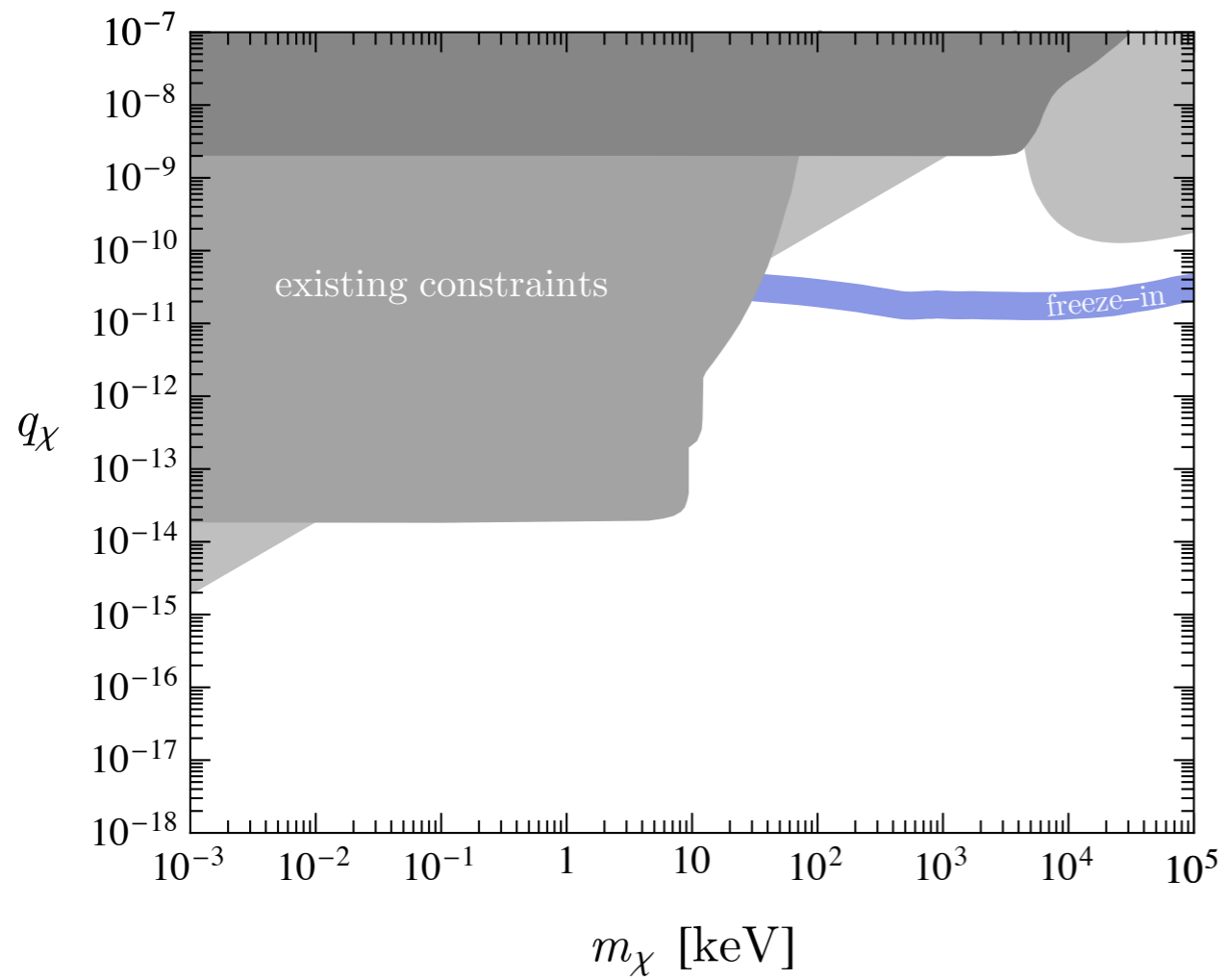
“freeze-in”

- produced from interactions with normal matter
- cosmologically viable down to keV-scale masses

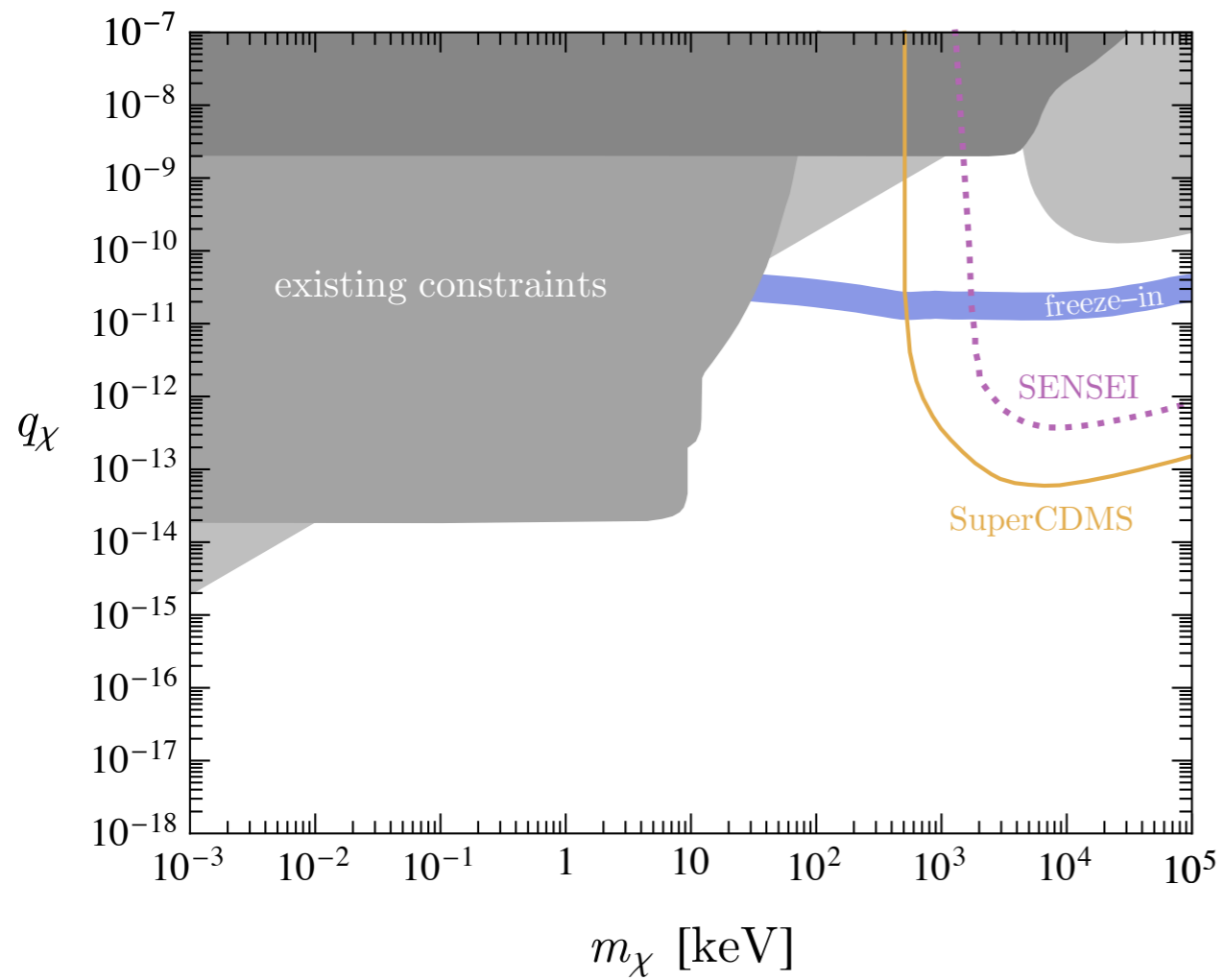
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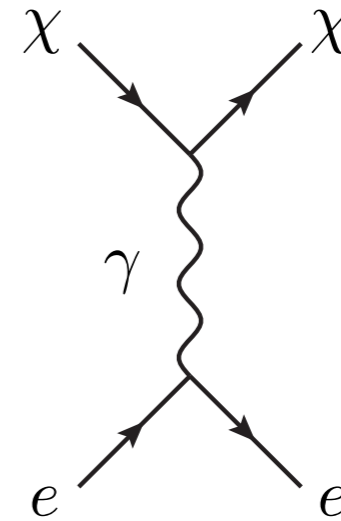
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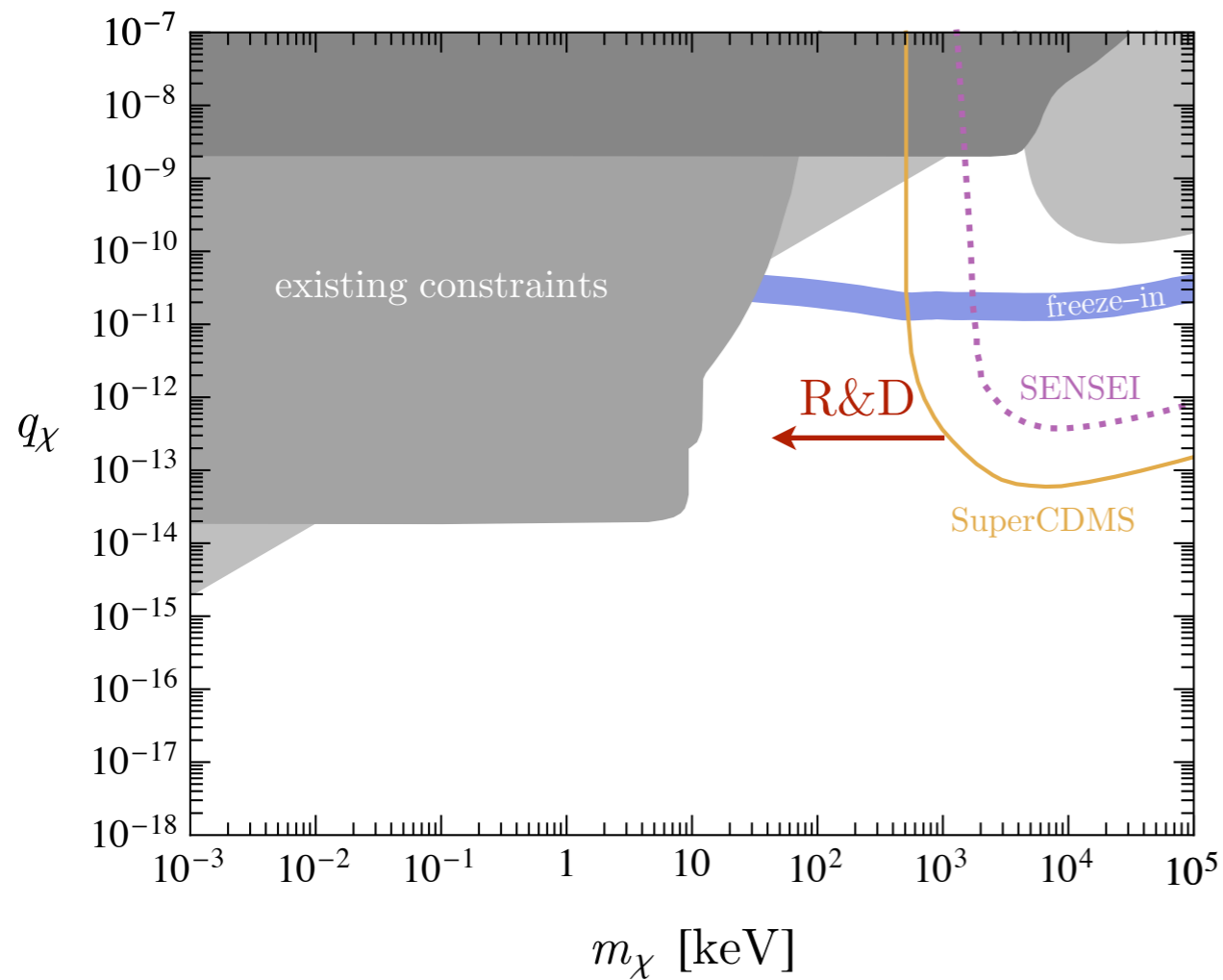
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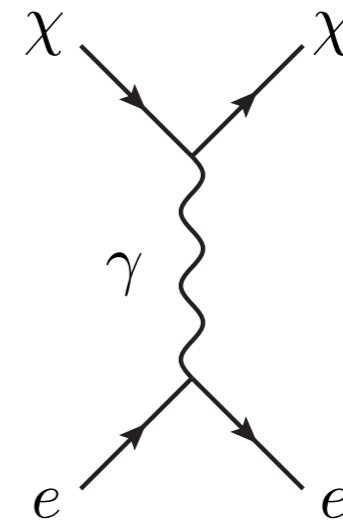
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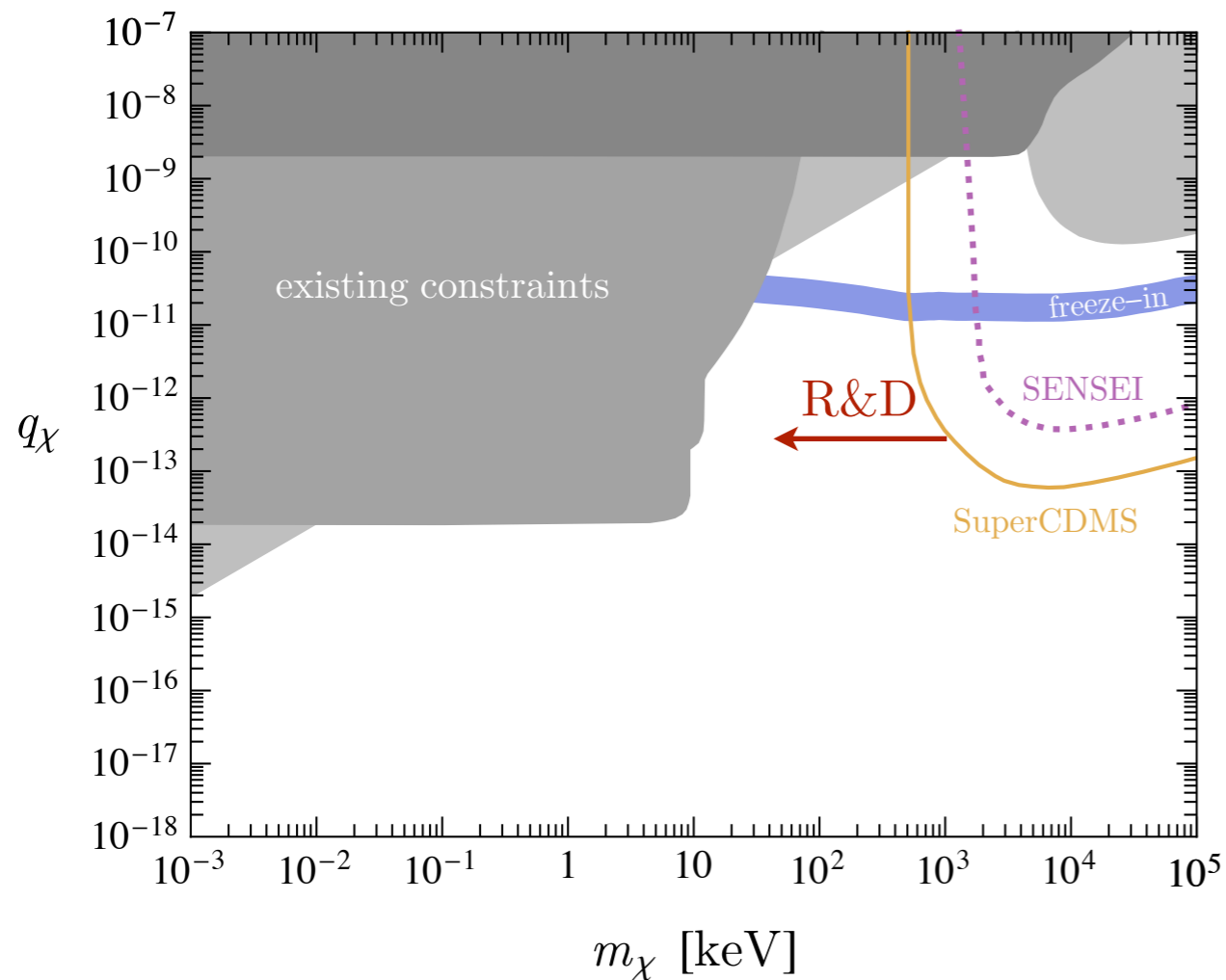
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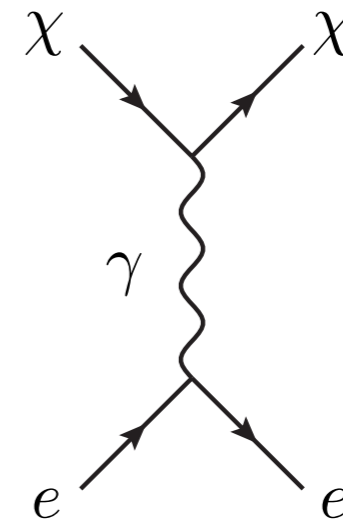
sub-MeV R&D

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- same philosophy

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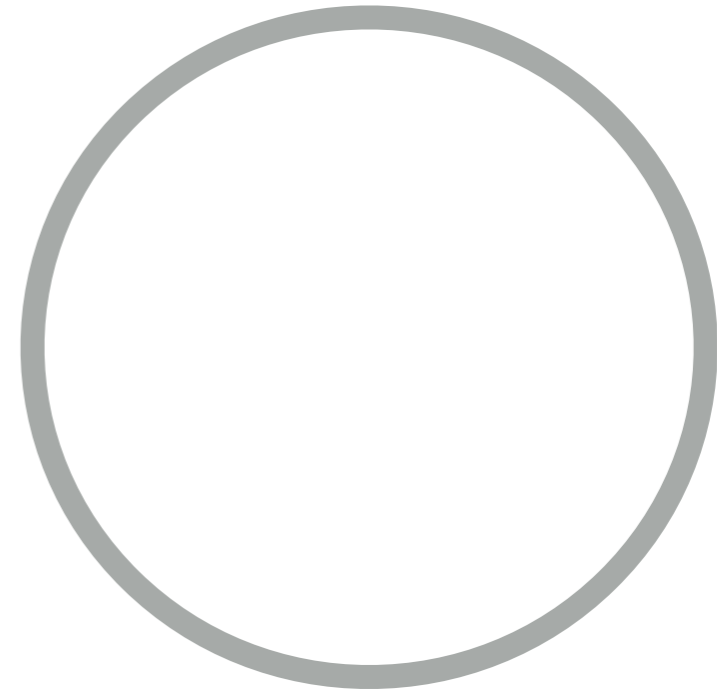
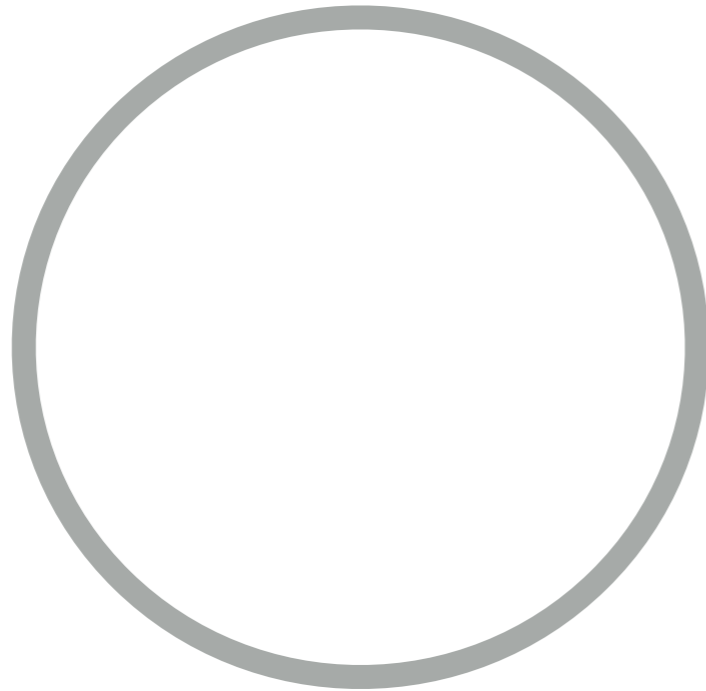
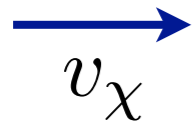
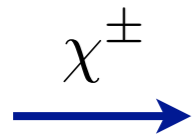
instead, take advantage of:

small mass \rightarrow small momentum \rightarrow easier to manipulate

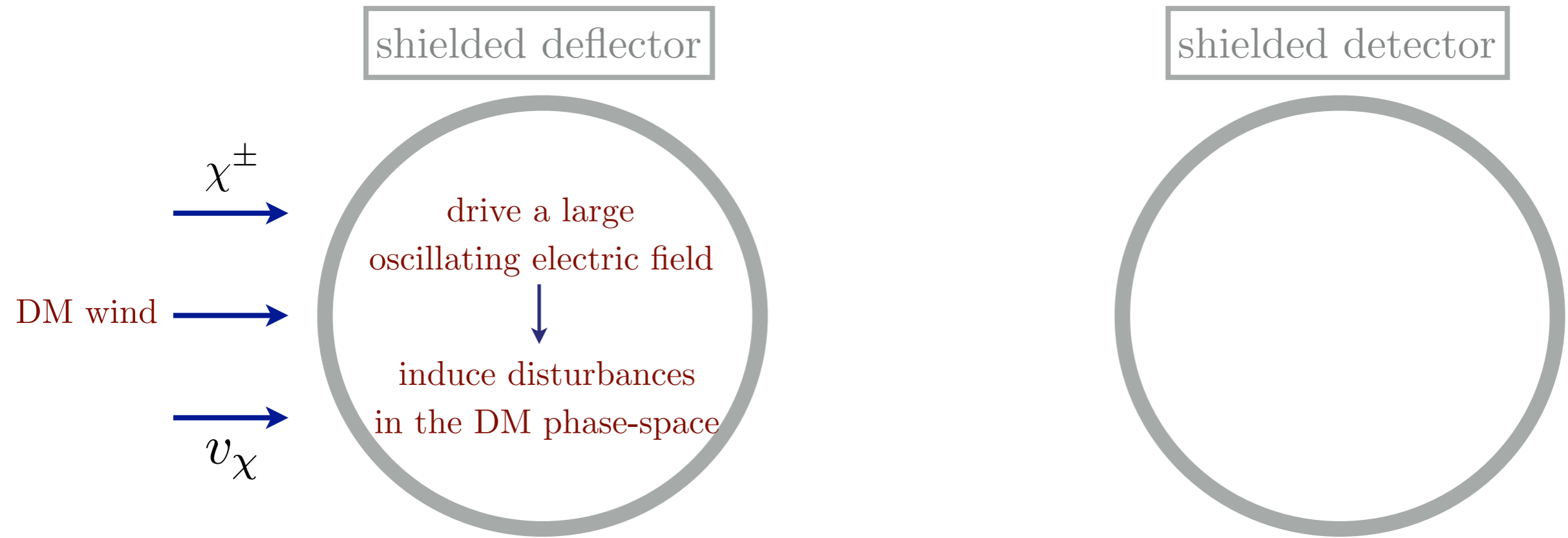
Direct *Deflection*

shielded deflector

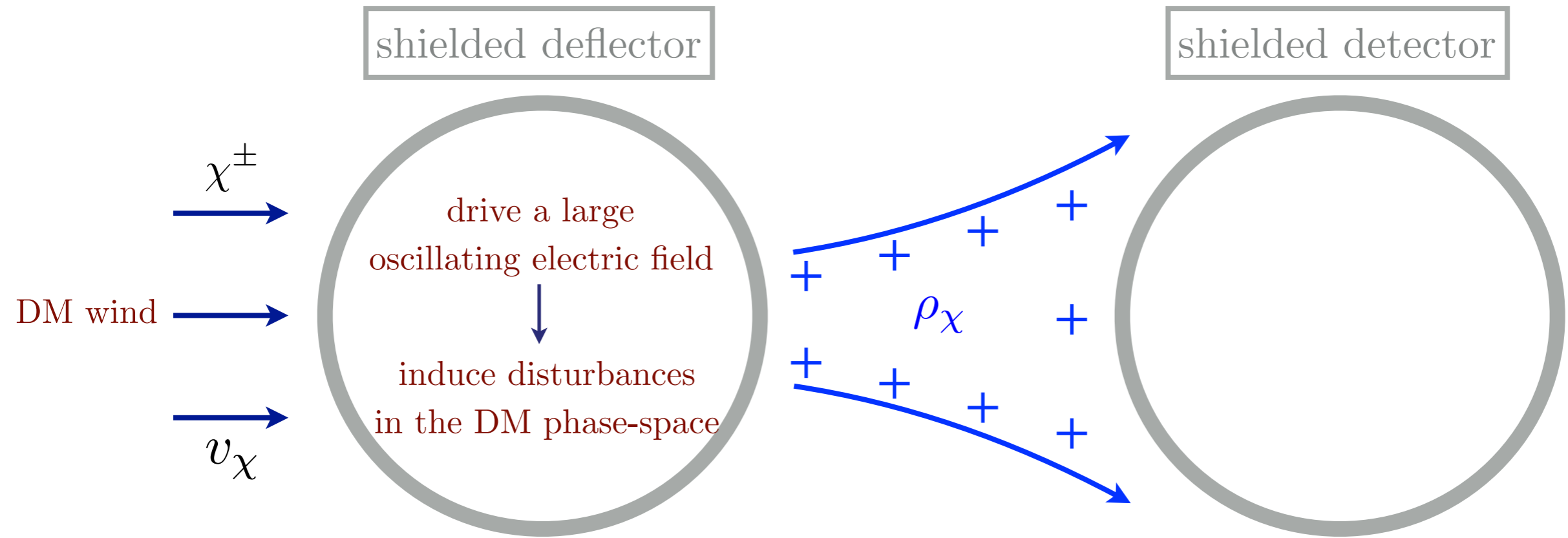
shielded detector



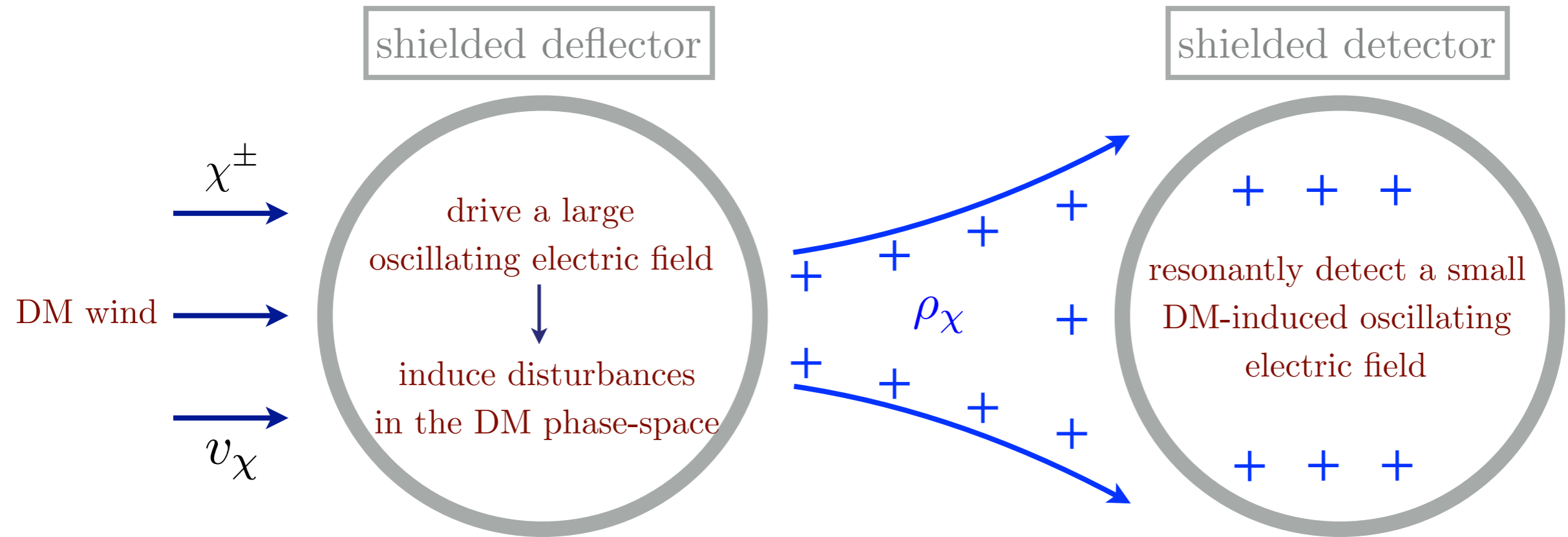
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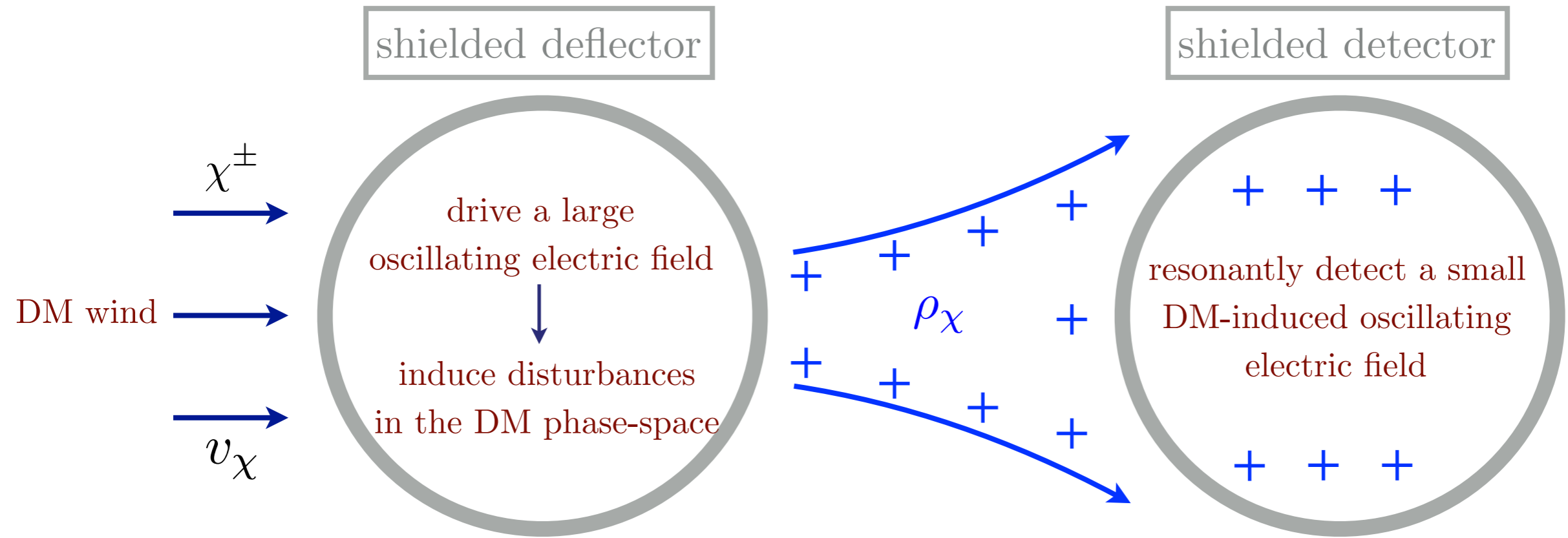
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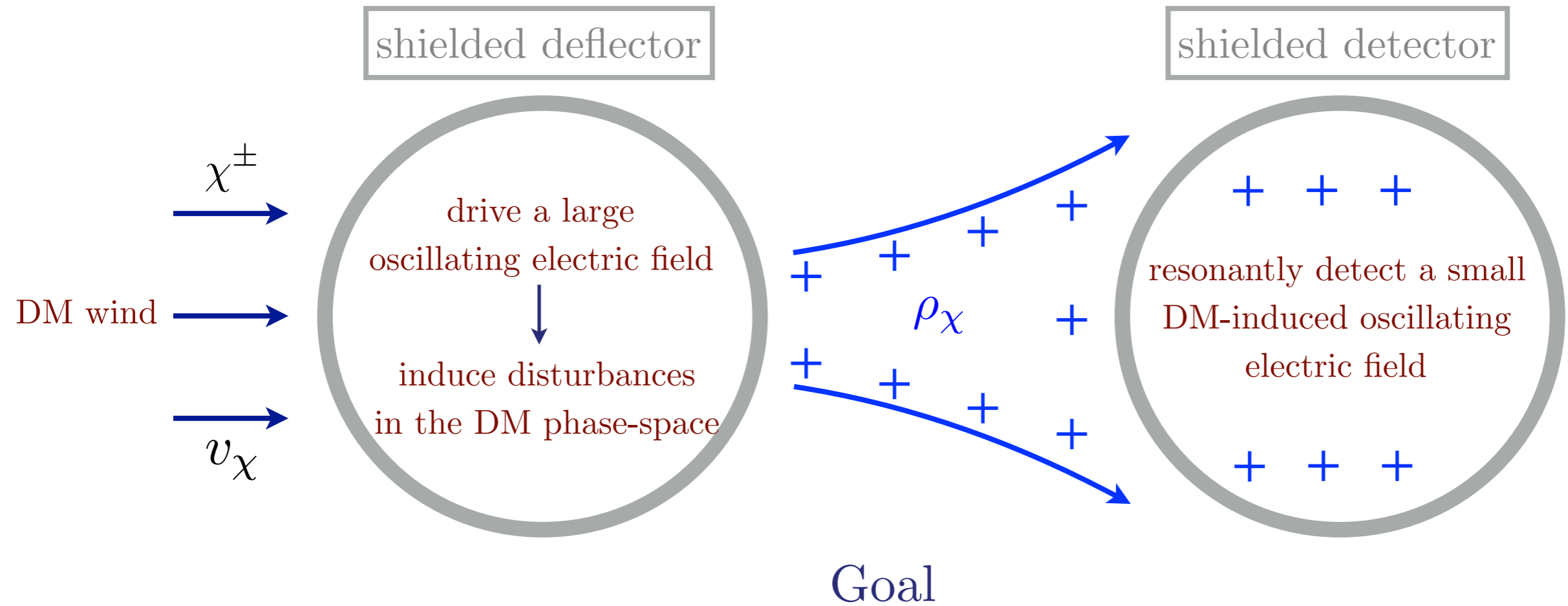


Direct *Deflection*



(similar to ~~“light-shining-through-wall”~~ experiments)
wind-blowing

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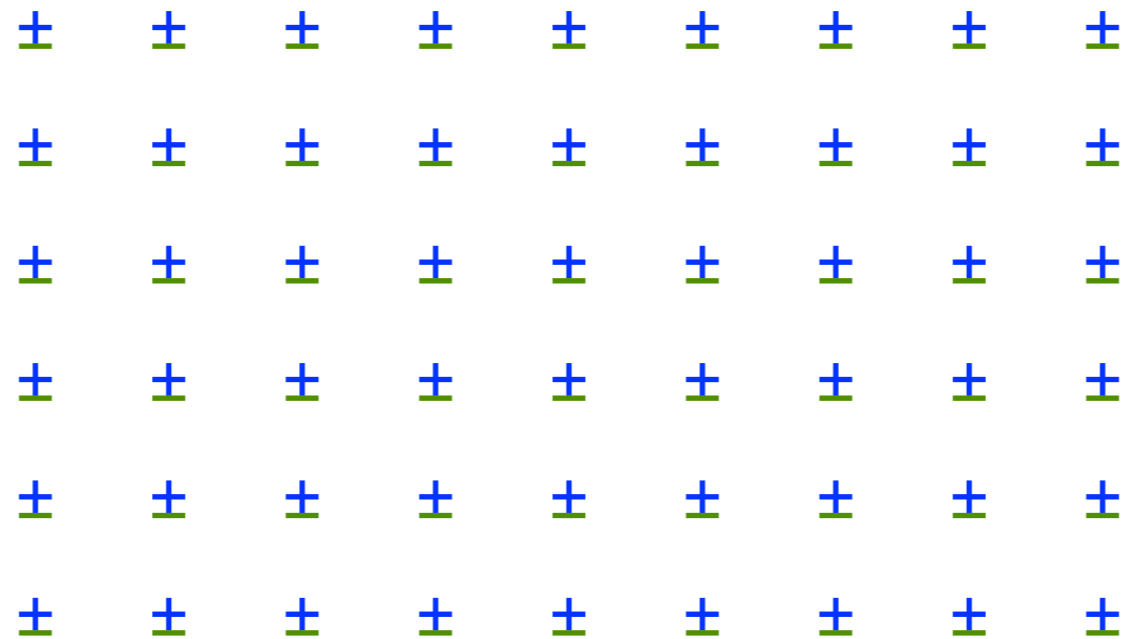
Induce and measure disturbances of the dark matter “fluid,”
without relying on single-particle scattering.

Advantages

No kinematic barrier at small masses.

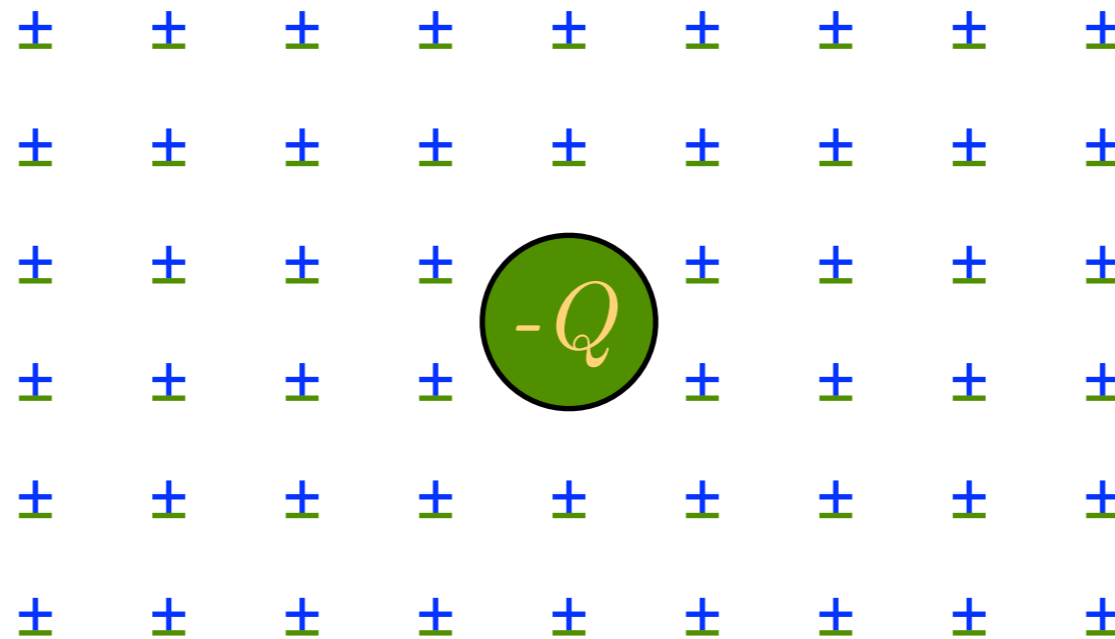
Classical collective effects take advantage of the small inertia of the dark matter fluid.

Debye Screening



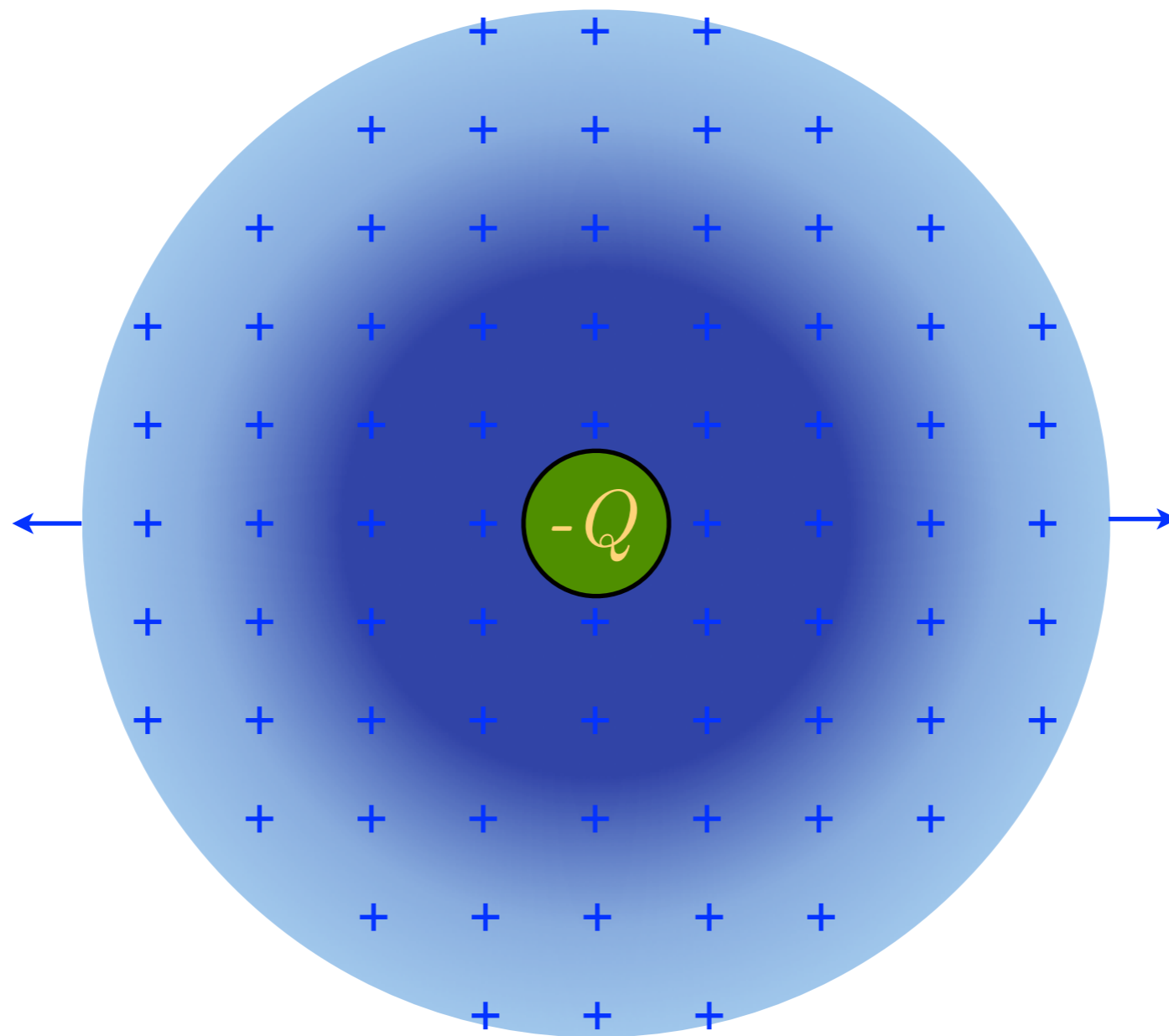
net-neutral plasma

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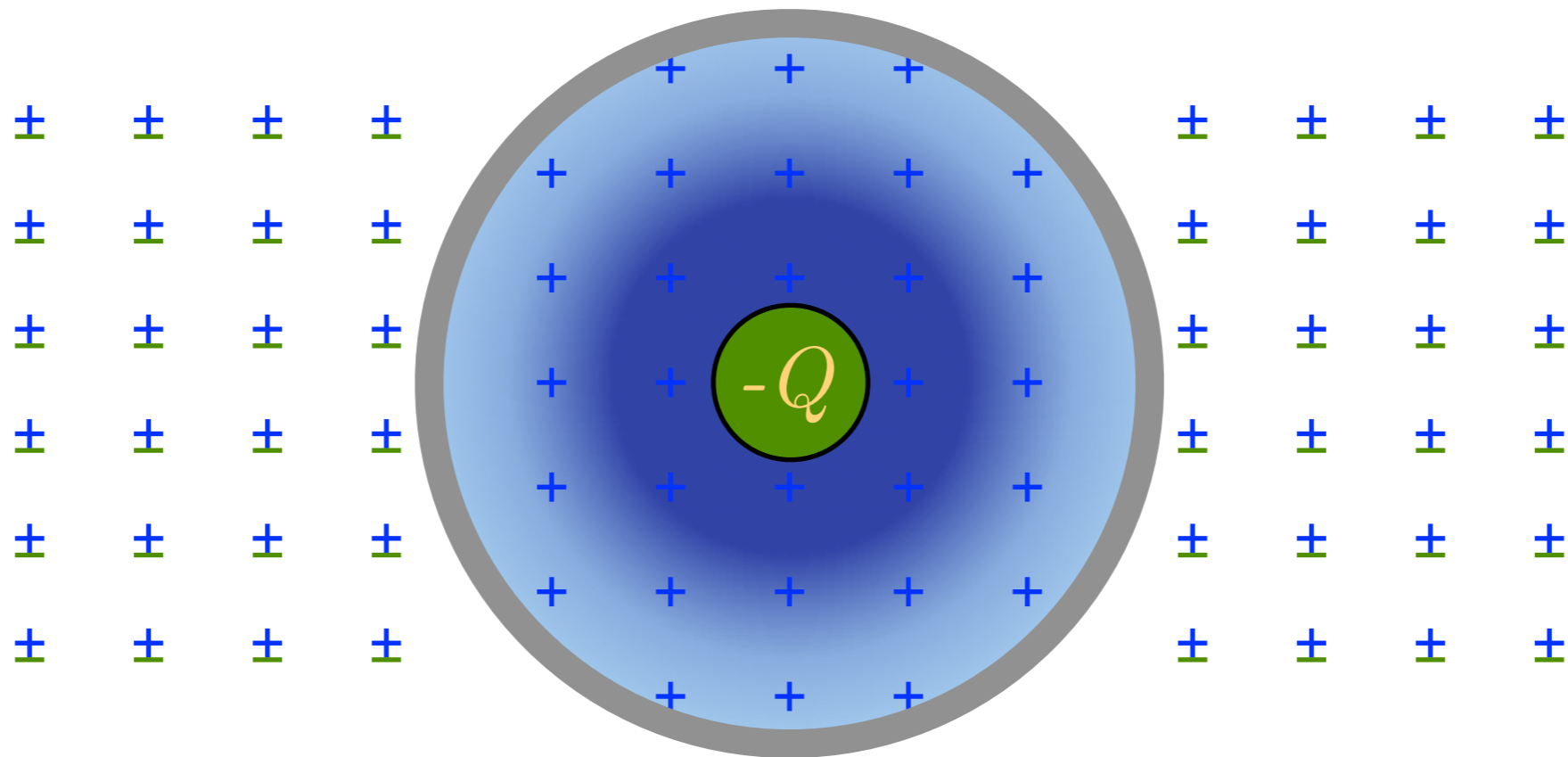
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plasma screens test charge

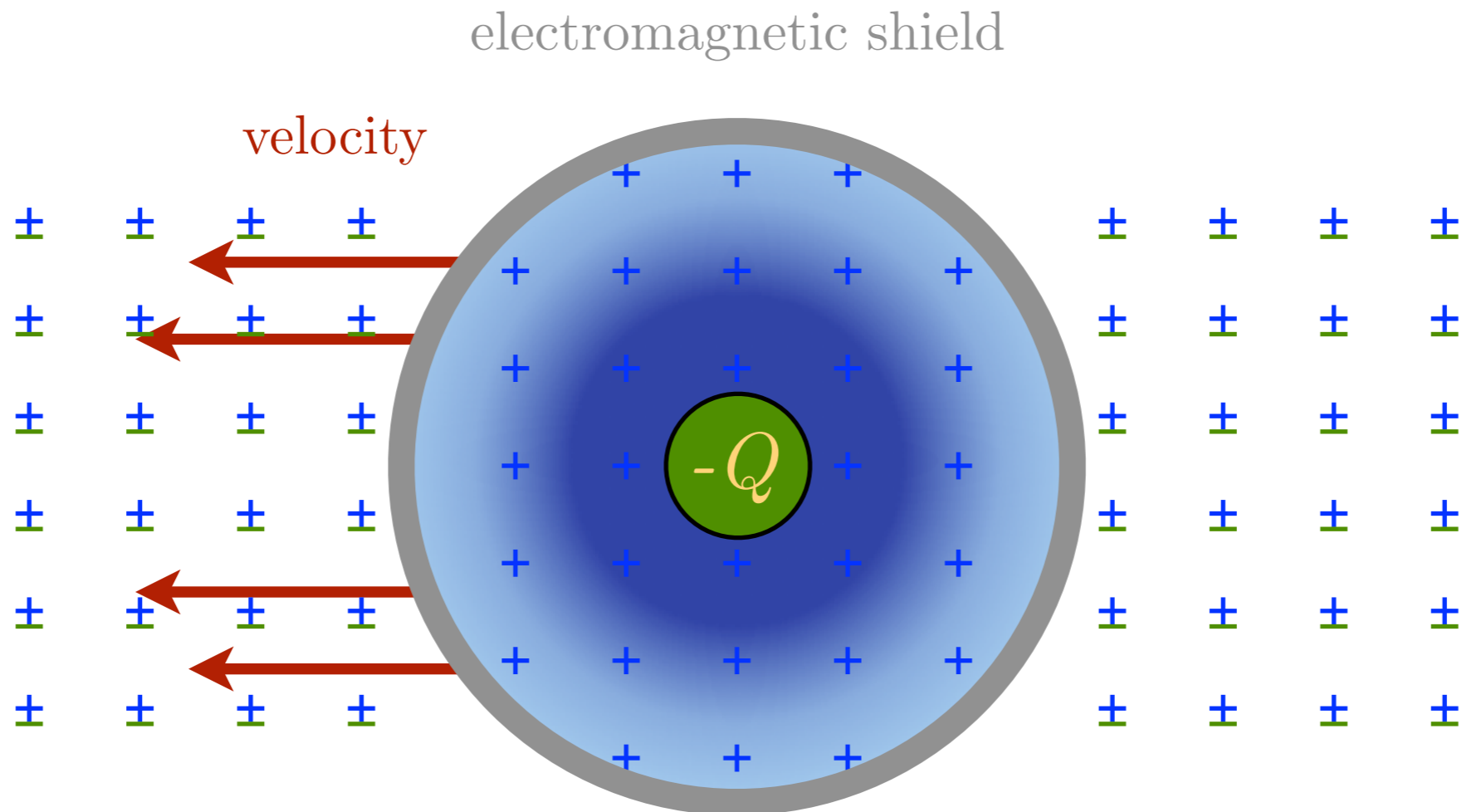
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electromagnetic shield



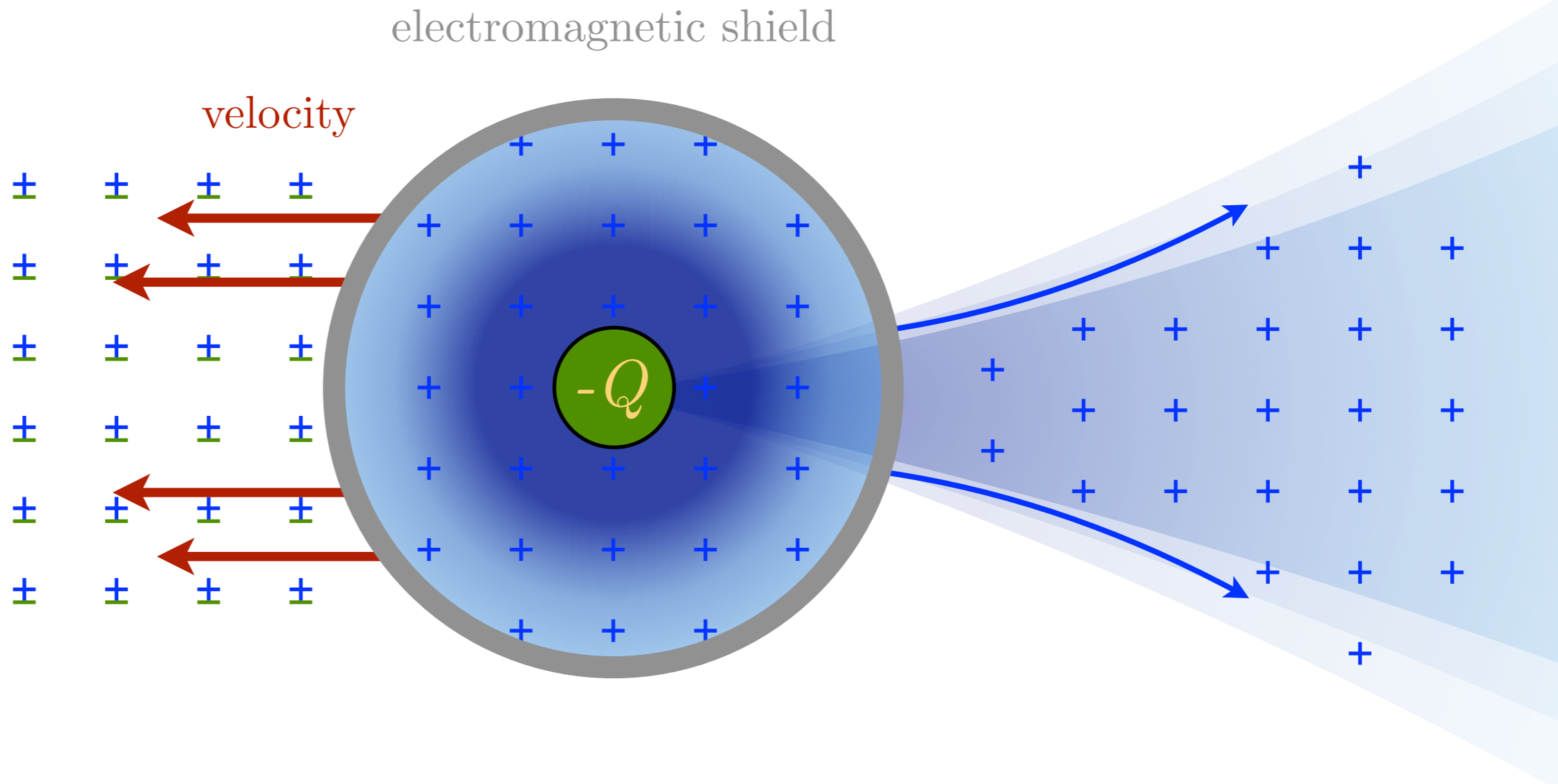
plasma screens interior of shield

Debye Screening



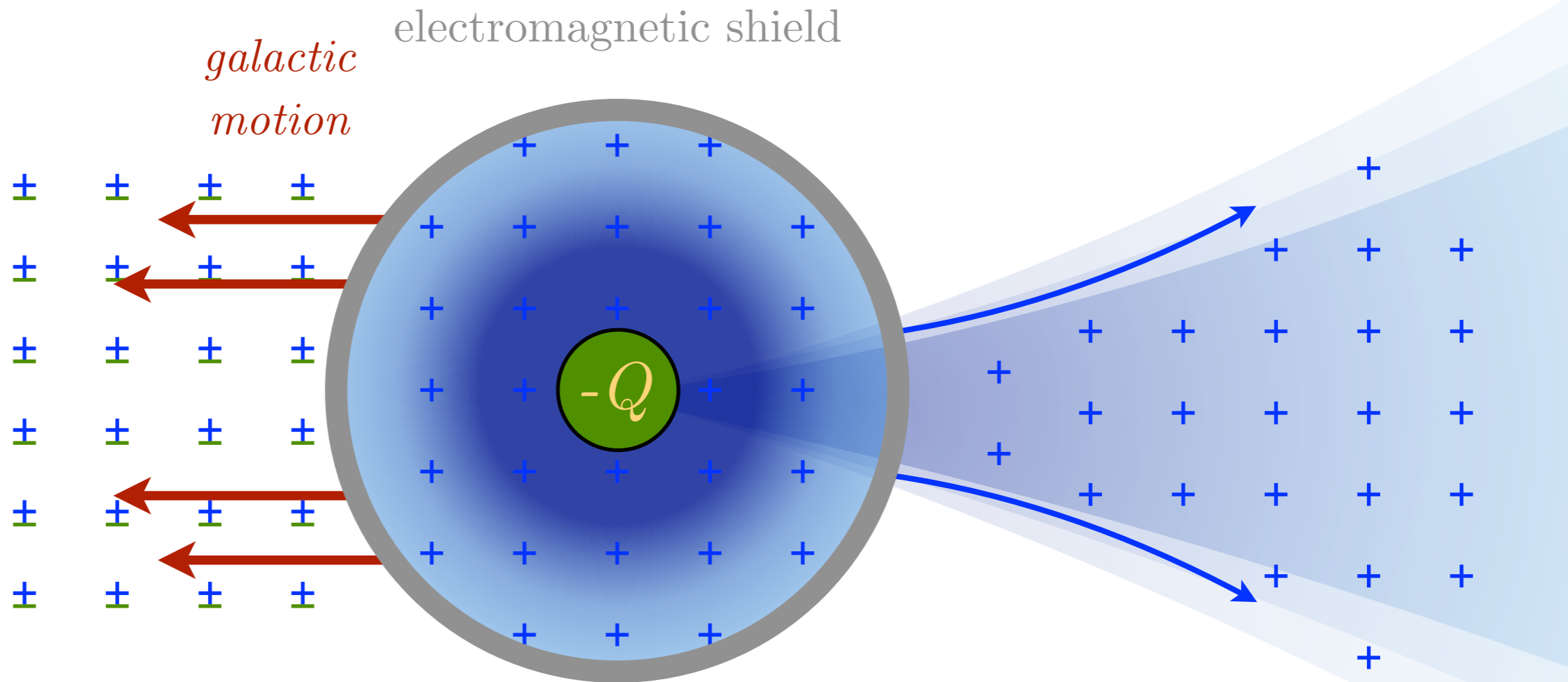
throw the shielded test charge through the plasma

Debye Screening



screening charges leak out
source electric field outside shield

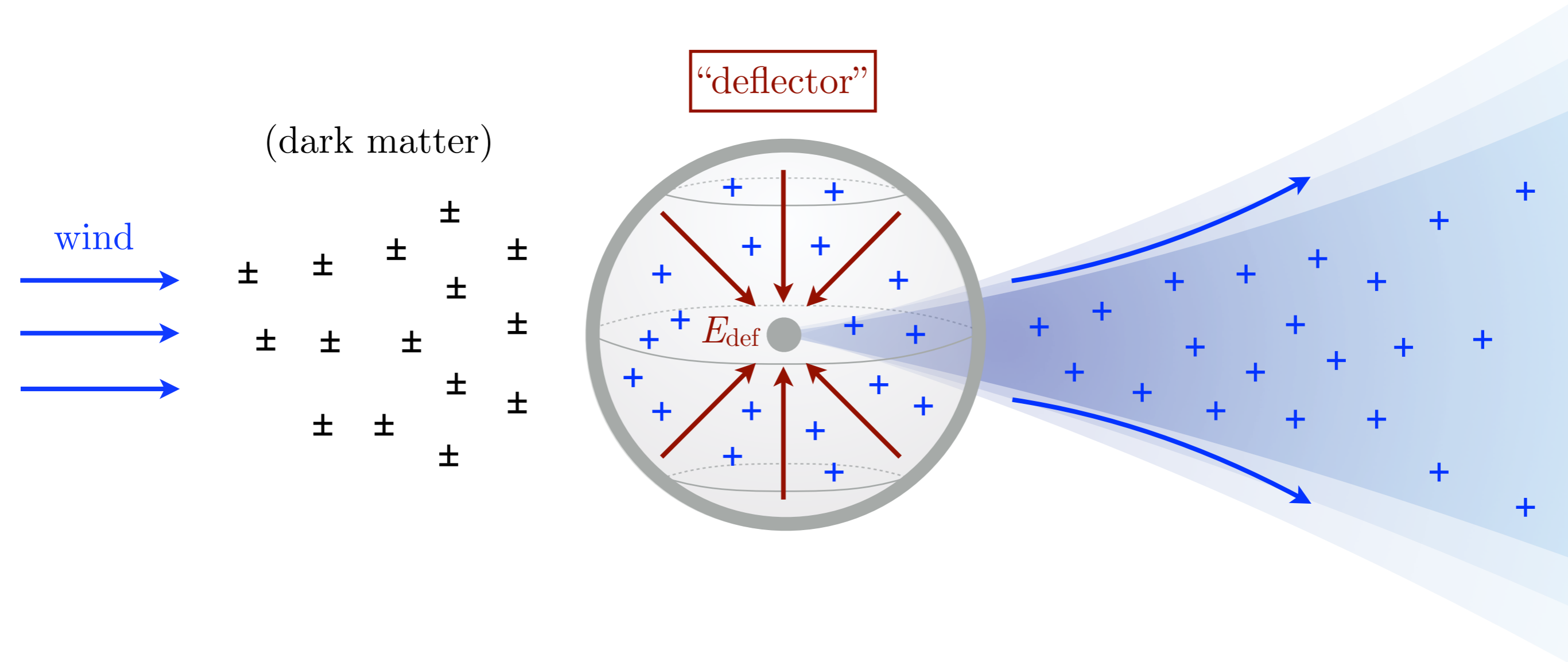
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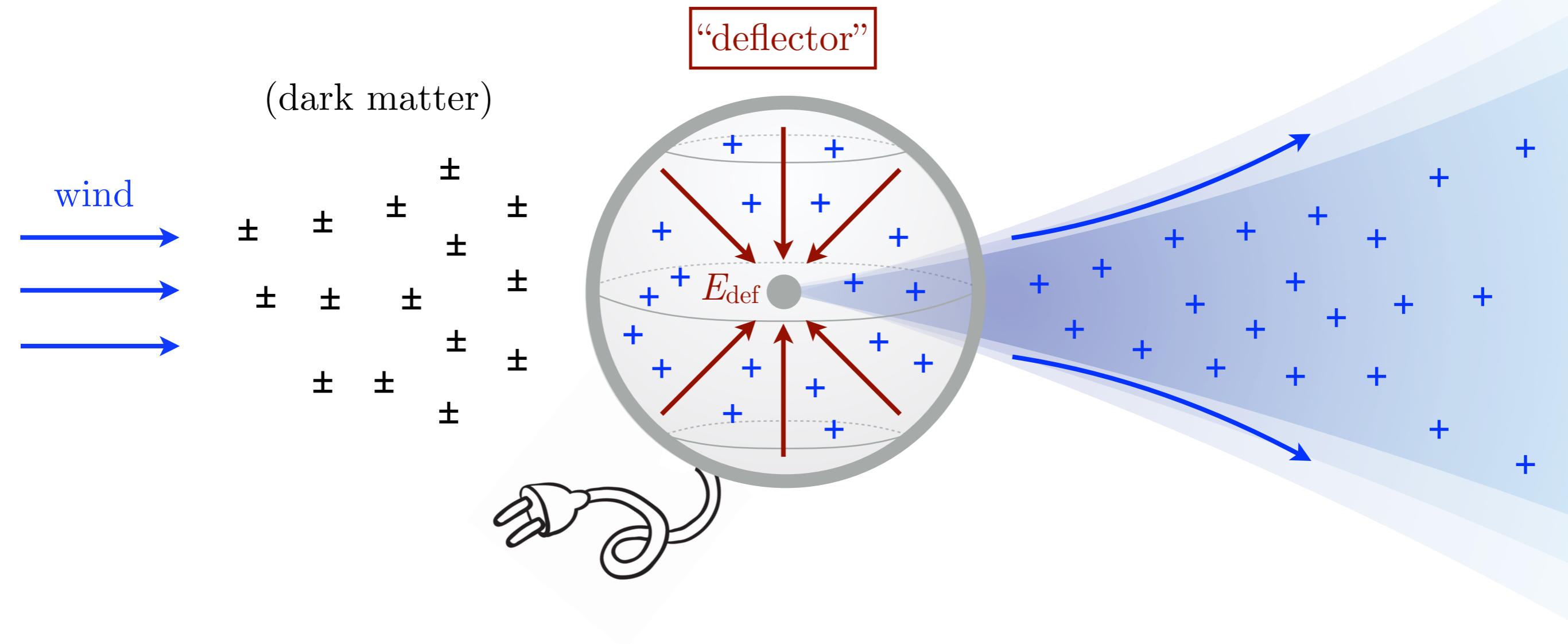
dark matter charges leak out

(plasma = galactic dark matter)

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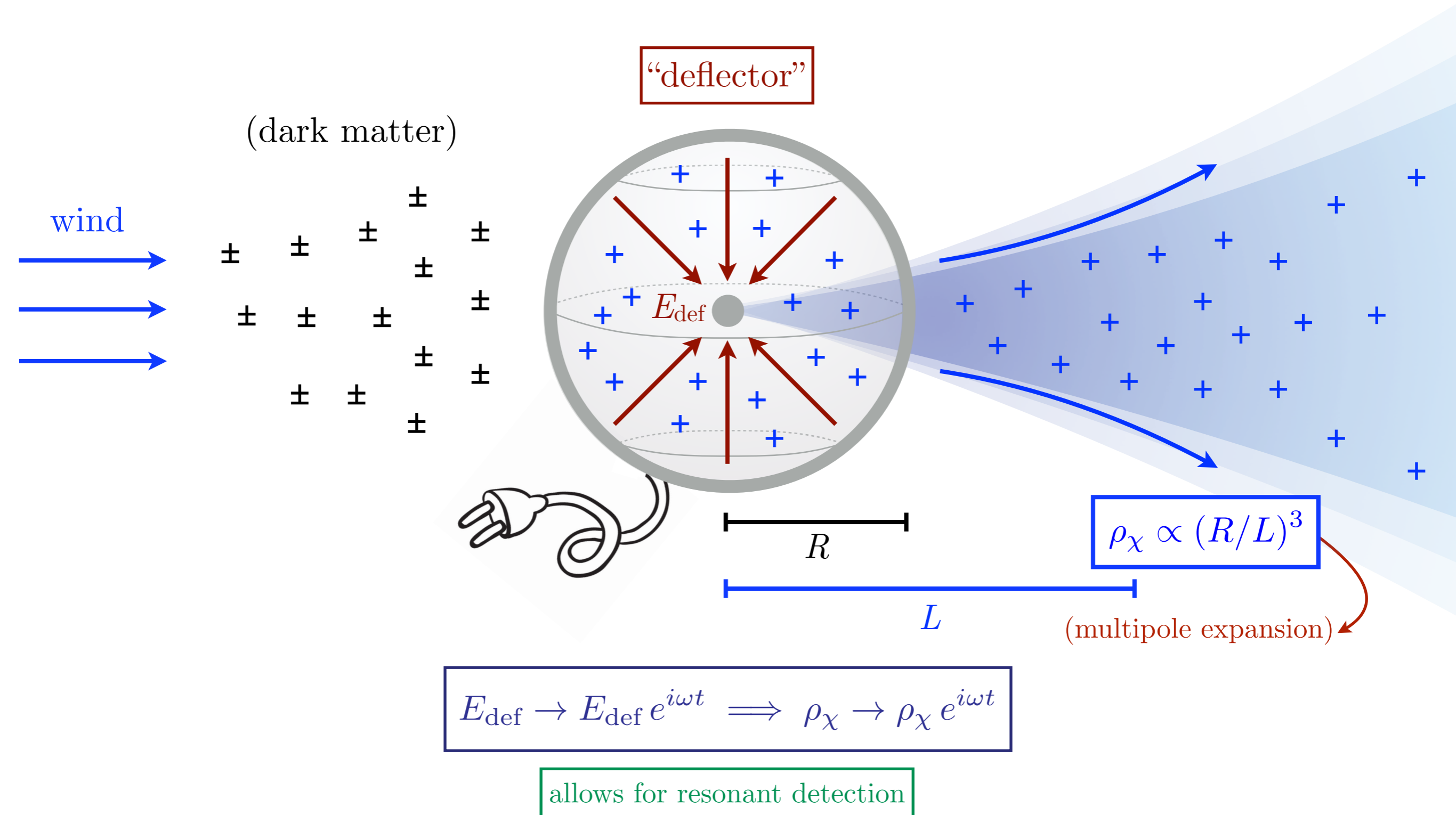
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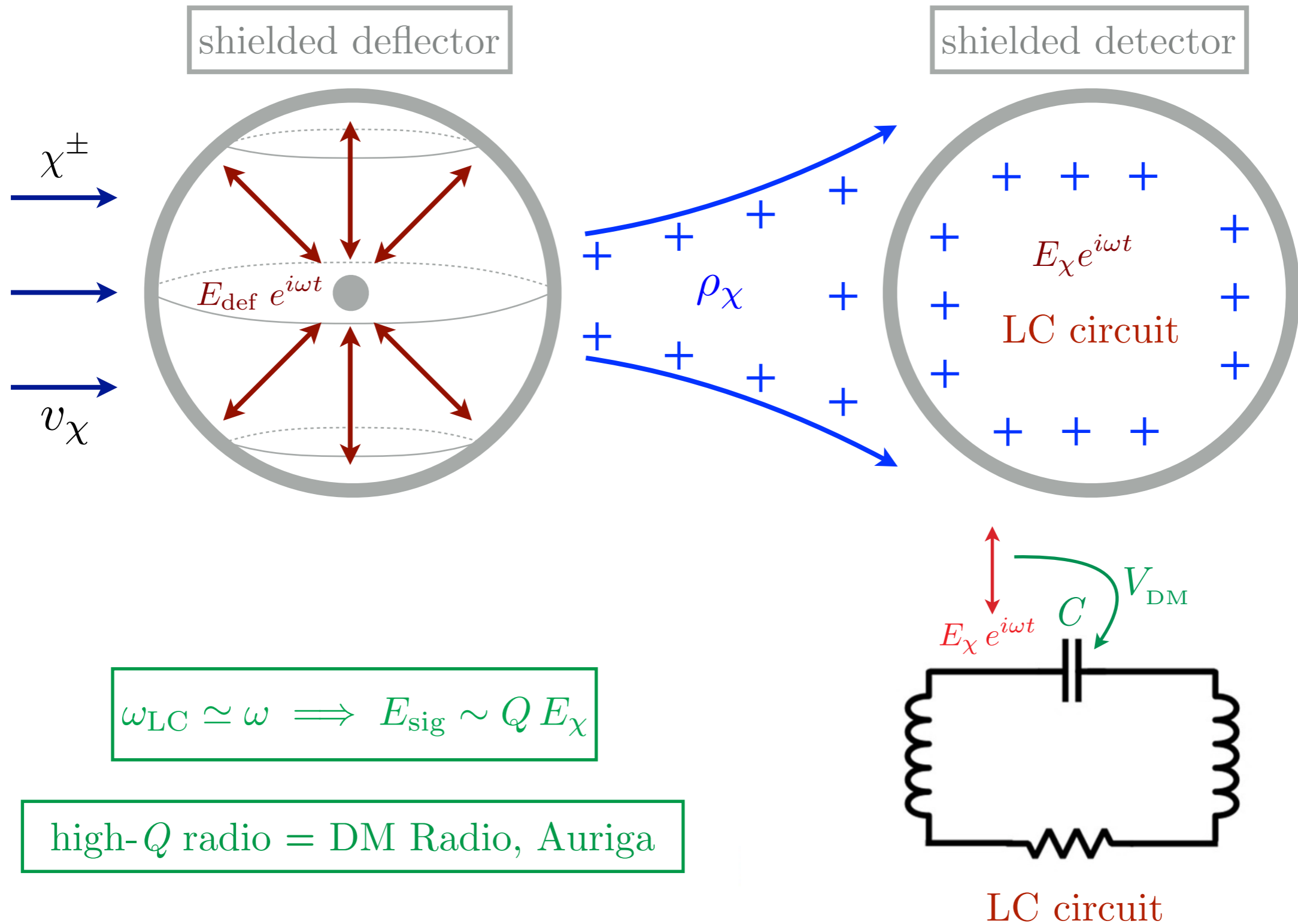
$$E_{\text{def}} \rightarrow E_{\text{def}} e^{i\omega t} \implies \rho_{\chi} \rightarrow \rho_{\chi} e^{i\omega t}$$

allows for resonant detection

Debye Screening



Direct Deflection



$$\omega_{\text{LC}} \simeq \omega \implies E_{\text{sig}} \sim Q E_\chi$$

high- Q radio = DM Radio, Auriga

LC Resonators

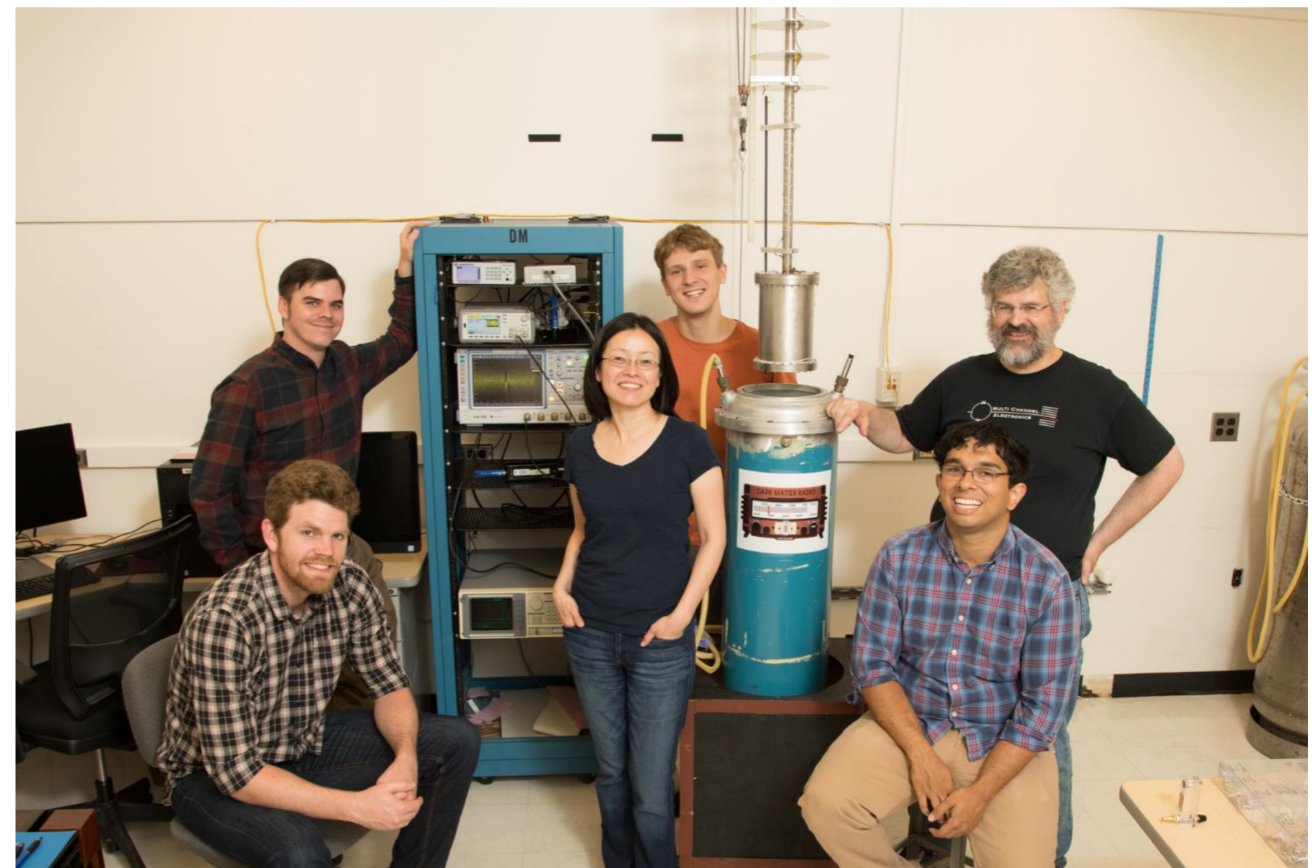
Auriga

(gravity waves)



DM Radio

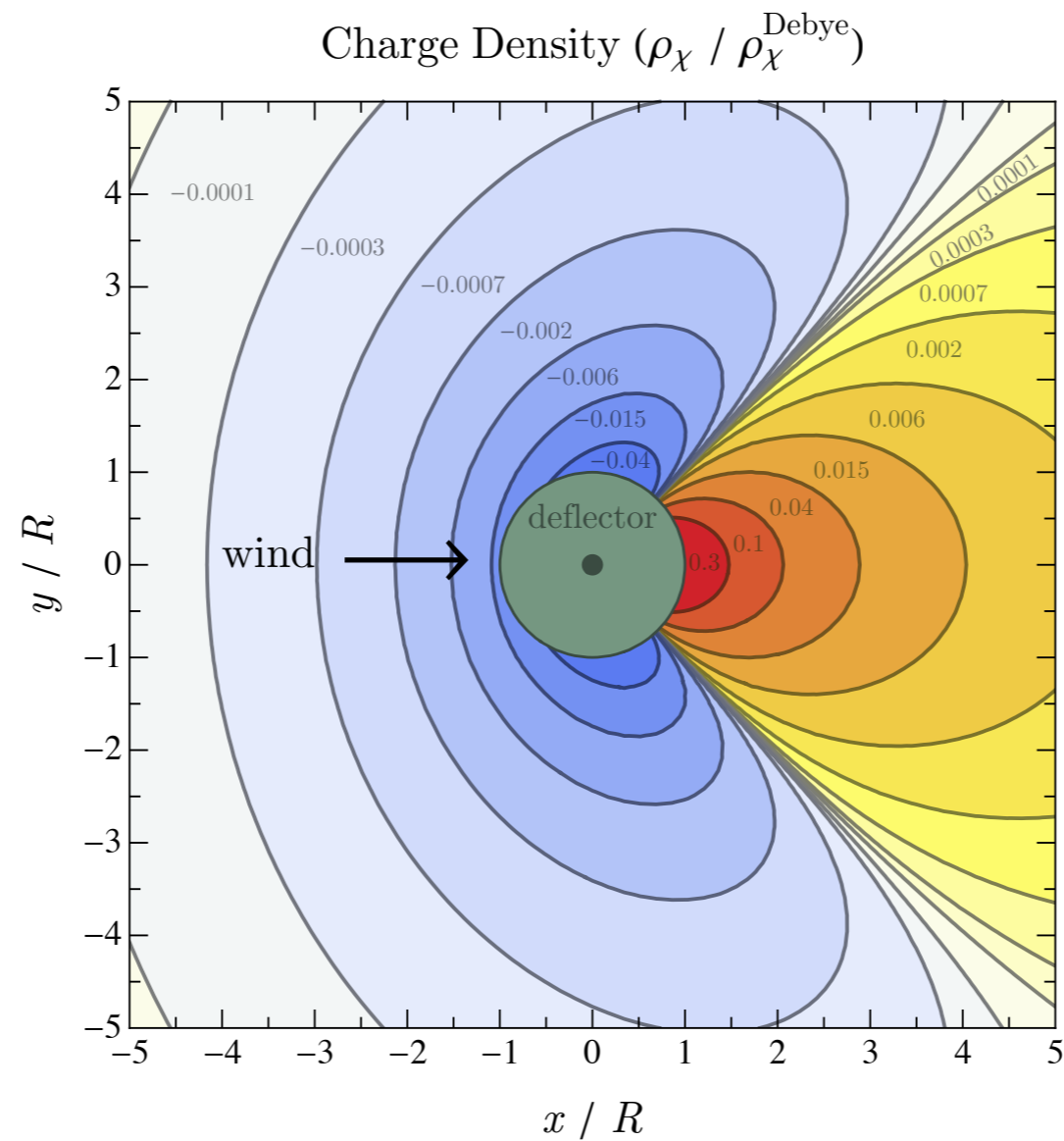
(effective currents via ultralight DM)



resolve thermal noise

no need to scan or operate down at kHz frequencies $\implies Q > 10^6$

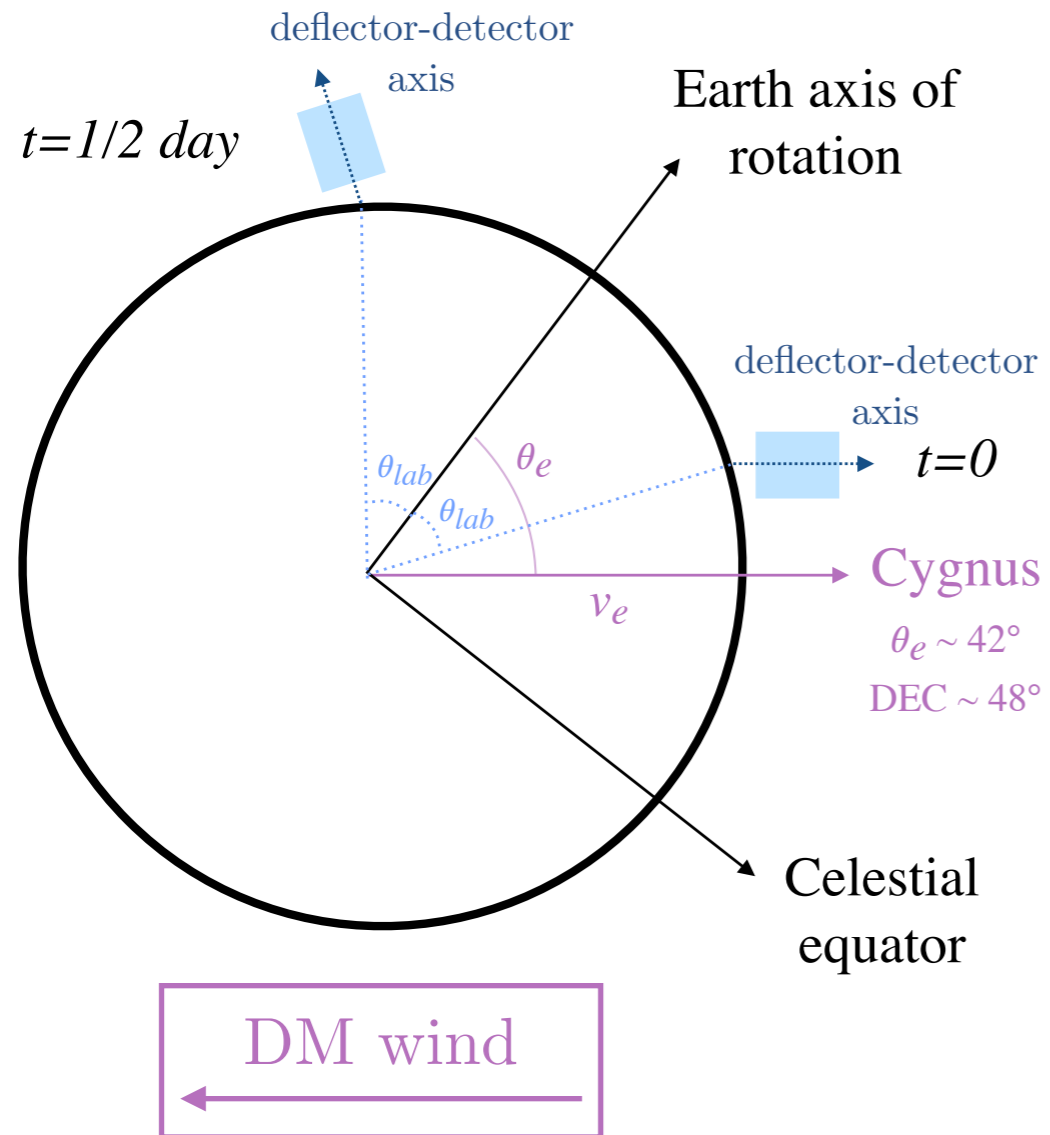
Directional Dependence



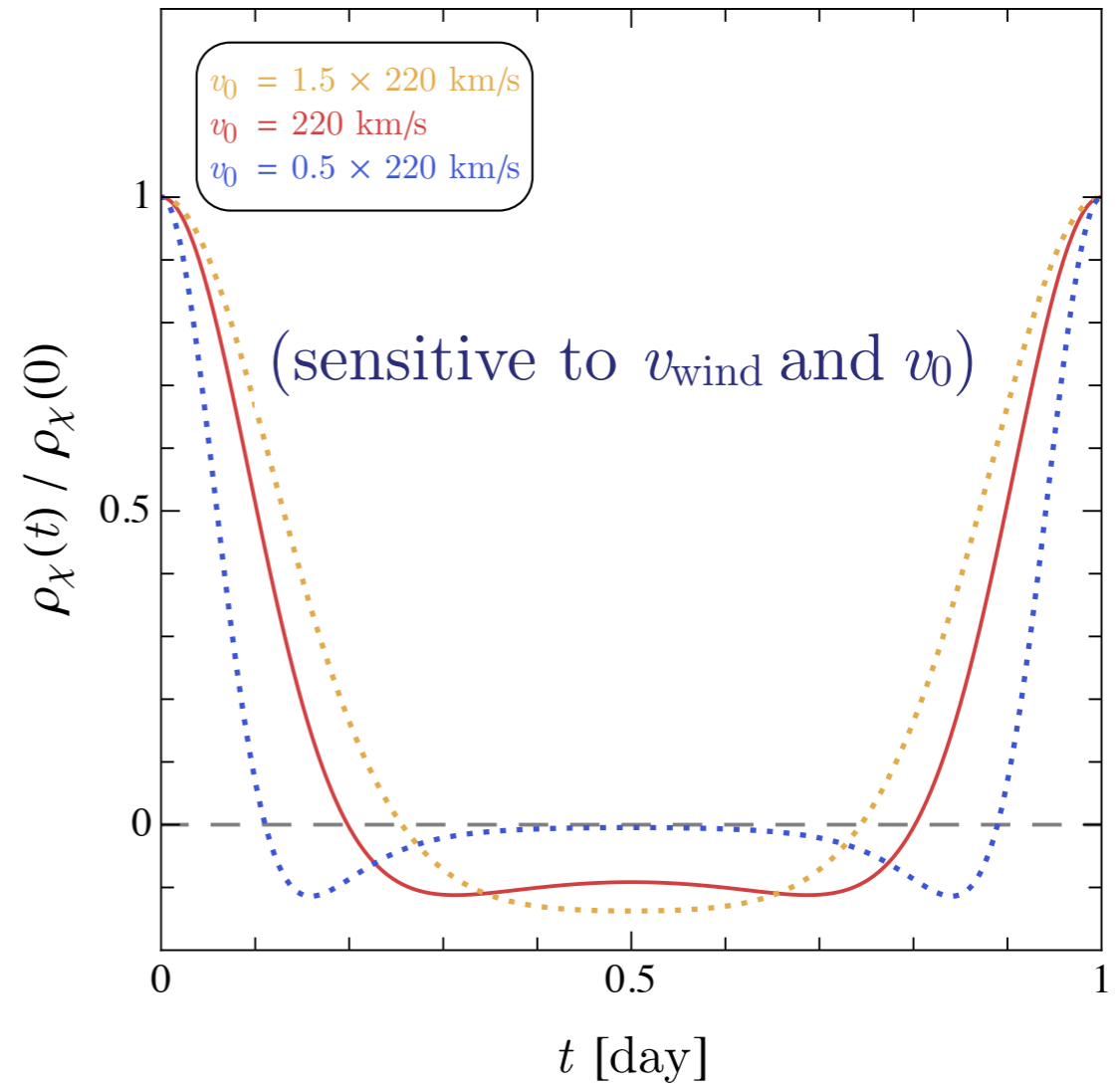
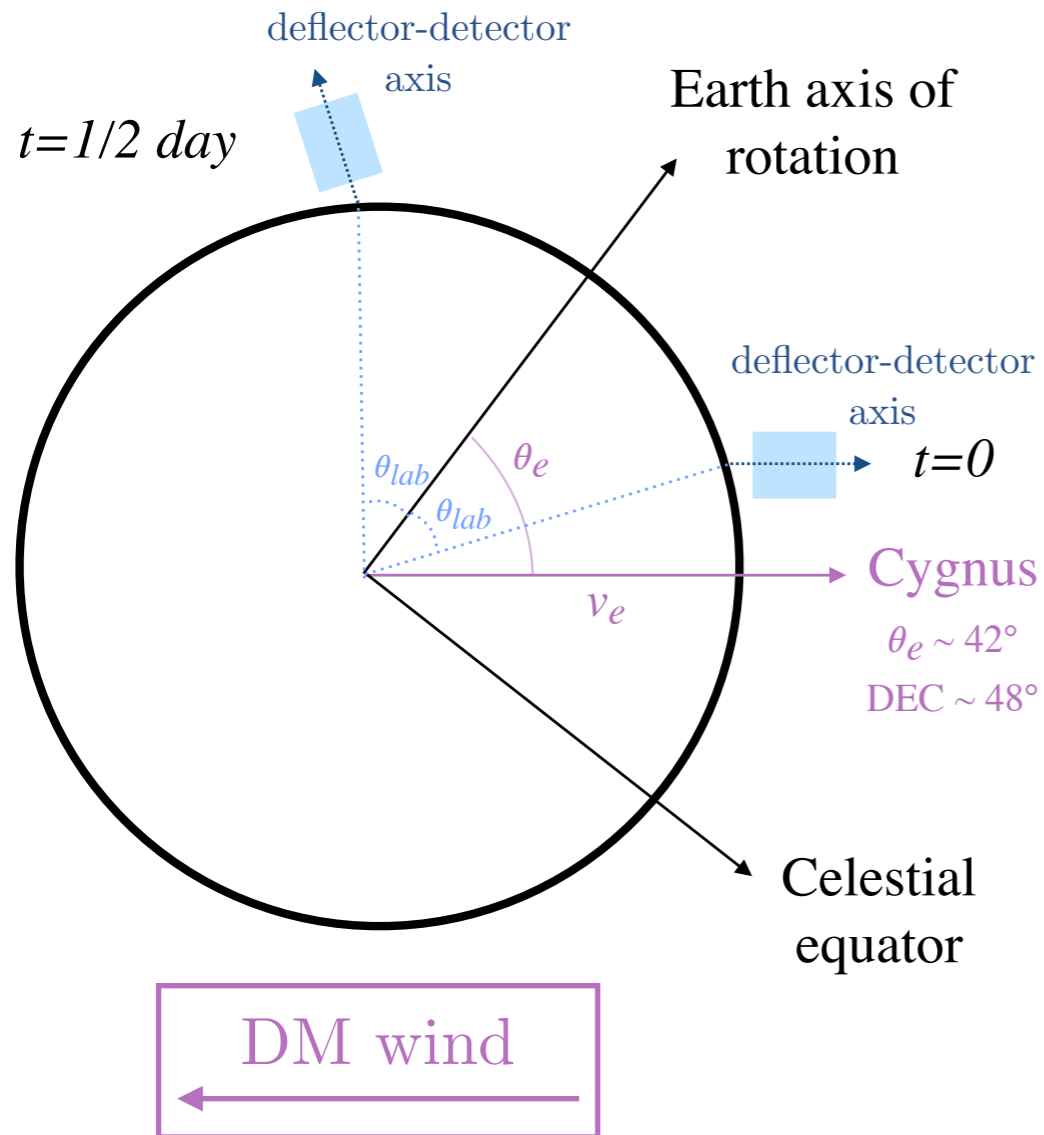
strong directional/daily dependence

Daily Modulation

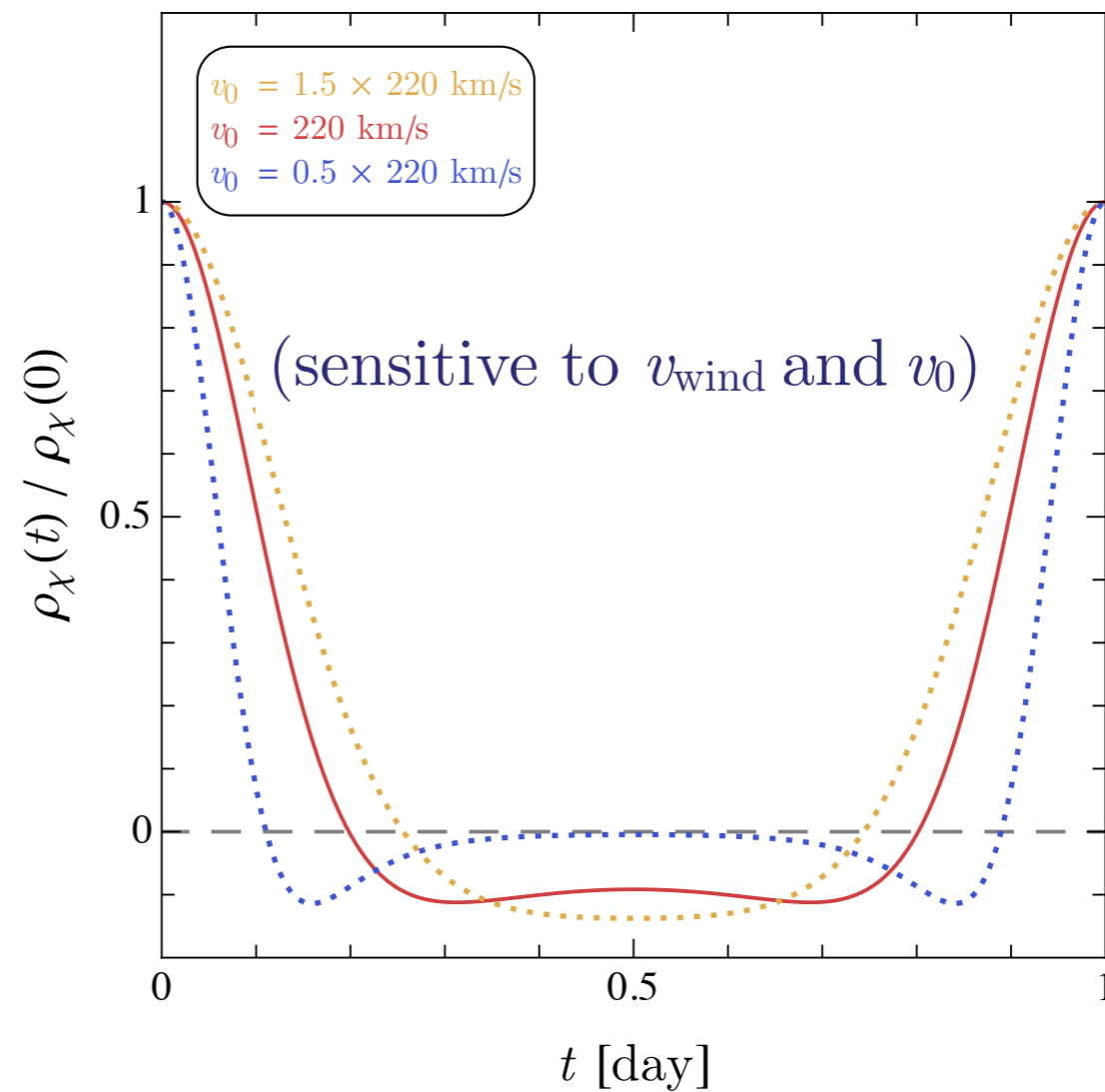
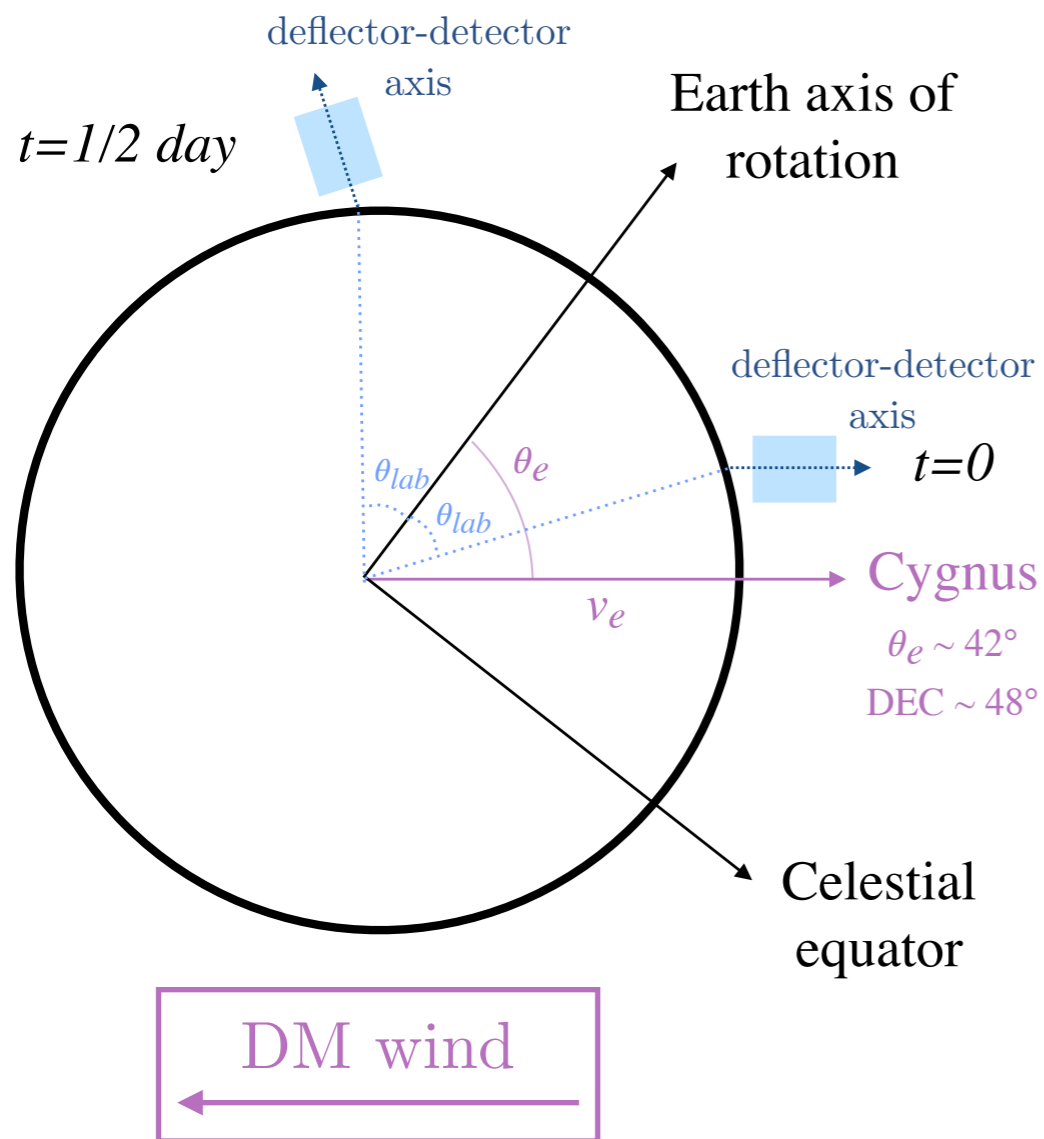
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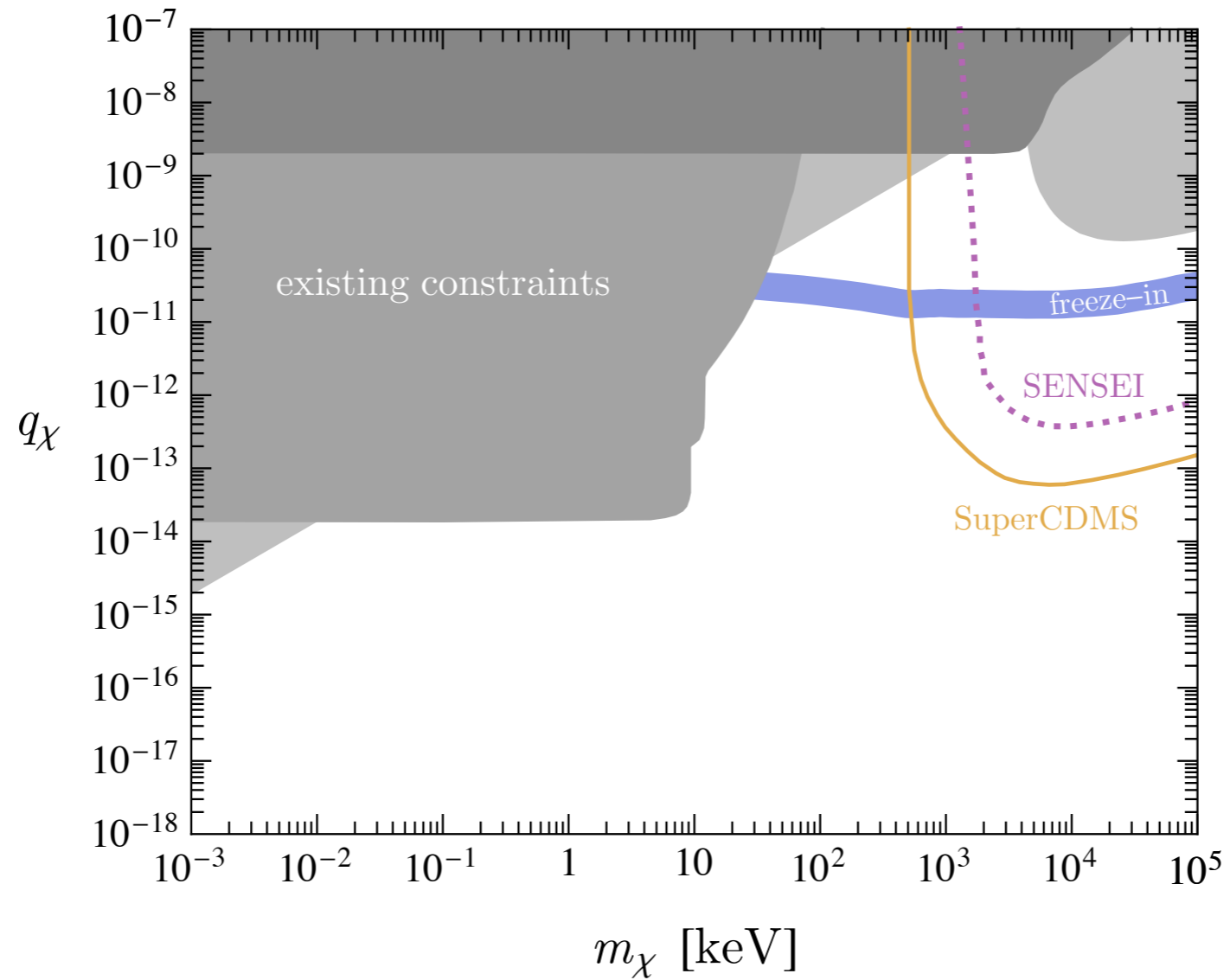
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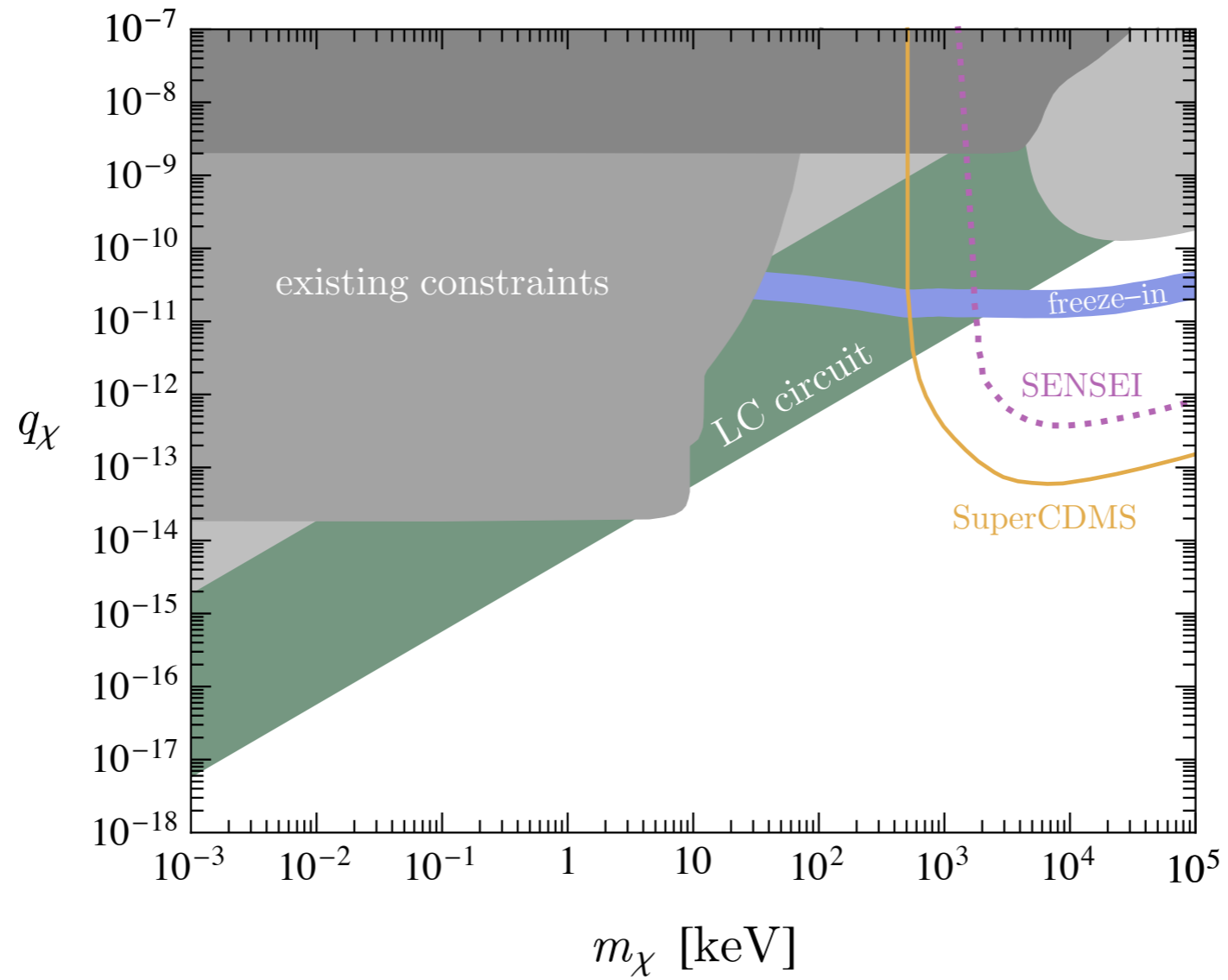
deflector: ω
 signal: $\omega \pm \omega_\oplus$

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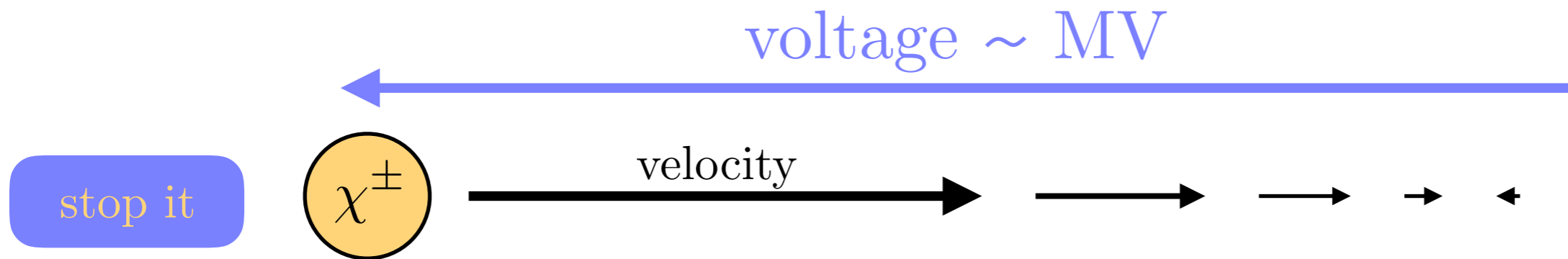
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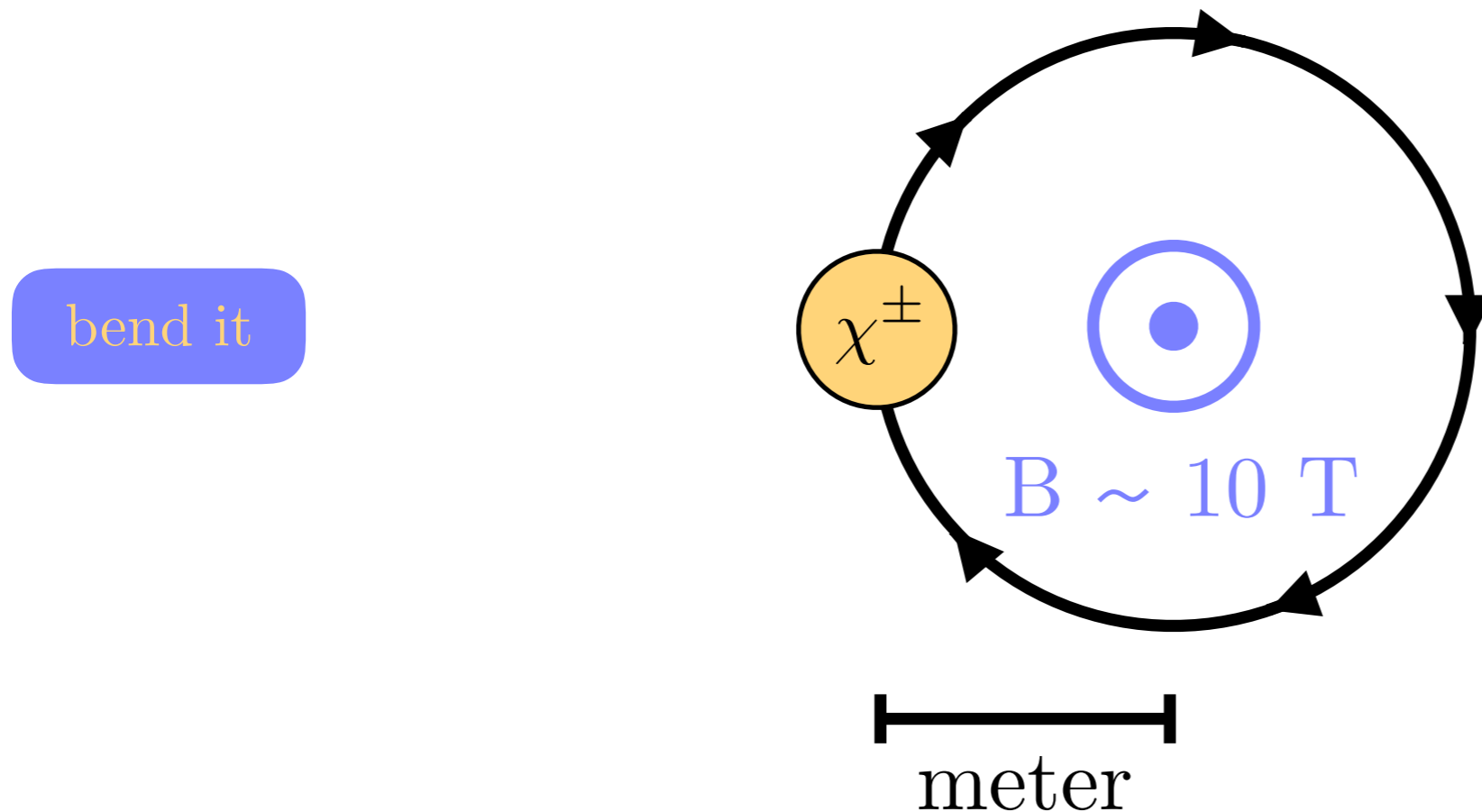
- Induced daily modulation.
- Electromagnetic focusing/trapping.
- Optimal geometry for wind.
- Deflection-detection for other forces.
- Cosmology of ultralight millicharges.

Back Up Slides

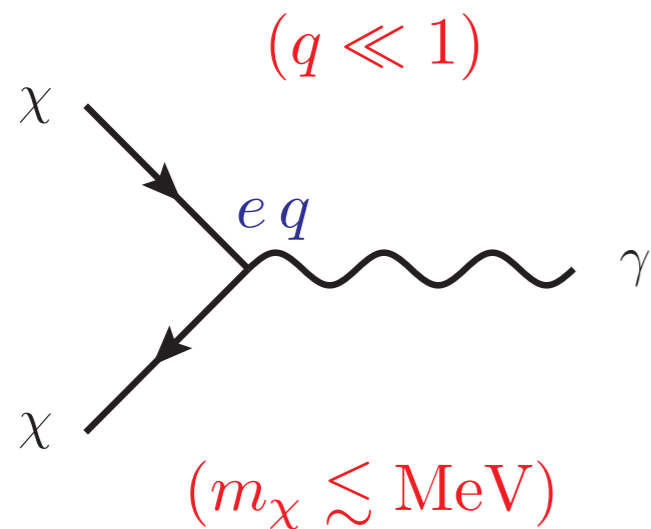
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($v_\chi \sim 100$ km/s \implies electric fields are more efficient than magnetic fields)

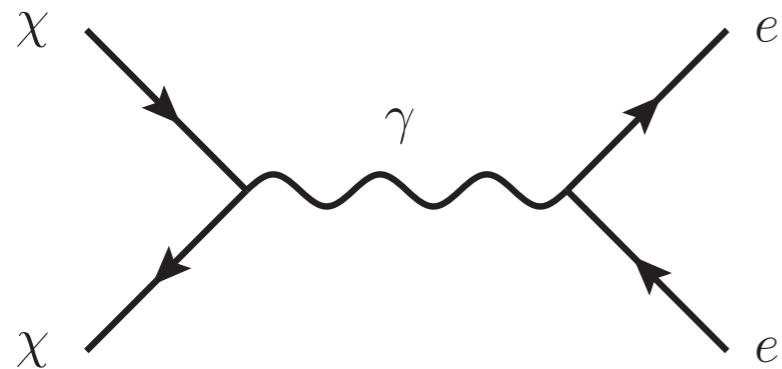


Millicharge Cosmology



χ thermalizes \implies in conflict with BBN and CMB

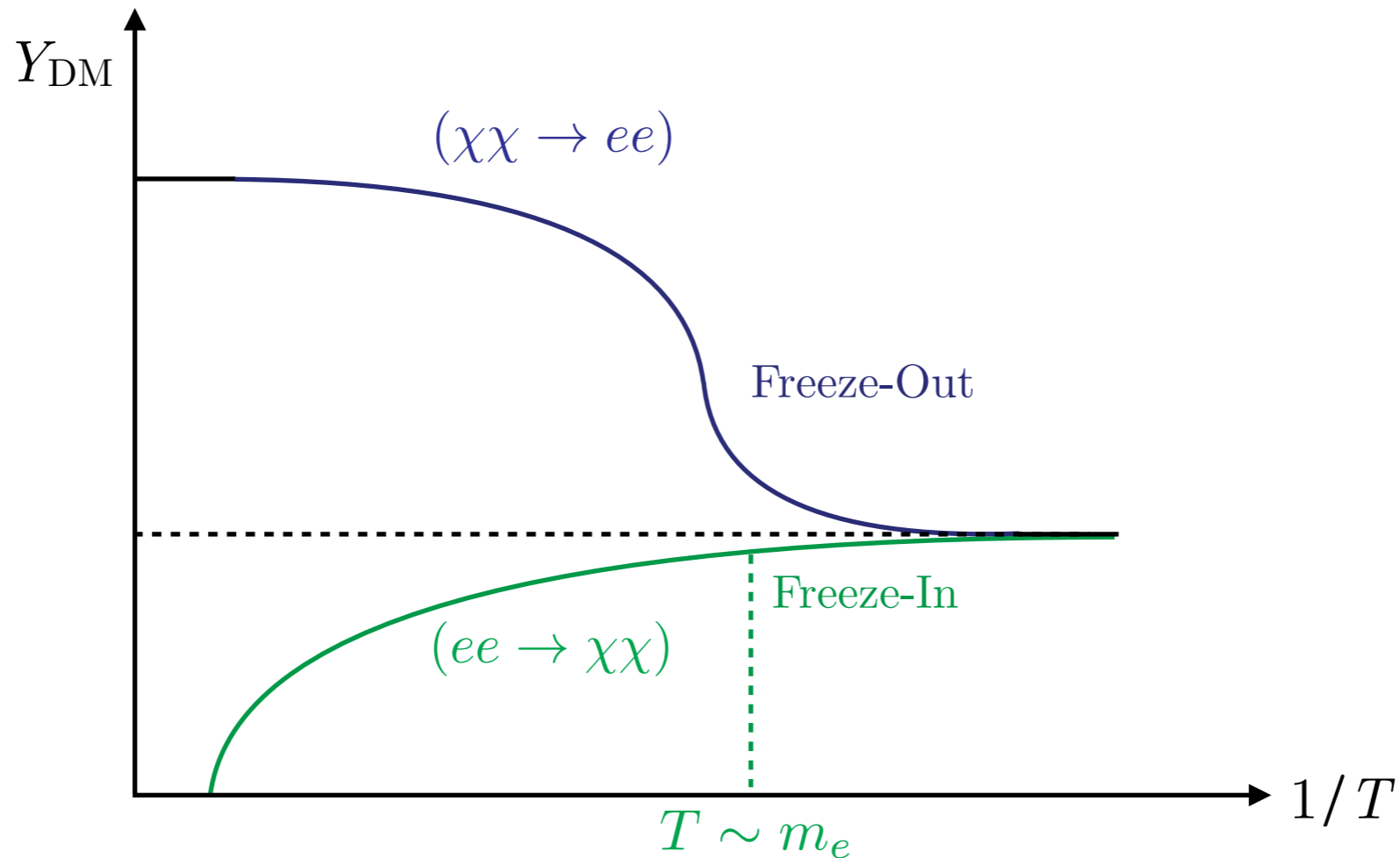
How small does q have to be?



$$\Gamma \lesssim H \implies q \lesssim 10^{-9} \left(\frac{\max(m_\chi, m_e)}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{1/2}$$

If this is the dark matter, how is it populated?

Freeze-In



$$\Gamma(ee \rightarrow \chi\chi) \sim \alpha_{\text{em}}^2 q^2 T, \quad n_\chi \sim n_e (\Gamma/H), \quad \rho_{\text{DM}} \sim T_{\text{eq}} T^3$$

$$\Rightarrow q \sim \frac{1}{\alpha_{\text{em}}} \left(\frac{m_e T_{\text{eq}}}{m_\chi m_{\text{pl}}} \right)^{1/2} \sim 10^{-11} \left(\frac{\text{MeV}}{m_\chi} \right)^{1/2}$$

how to generate this coupling?

Kinetic Mixing

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^2 - \frac{1}{4}F'_{\mu\nu}{}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_{A'}^2 A_\mu'^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} F_{\mu\nu} F'^{\mu\nu}$$

$$A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + \epsilon A'_\mu, \quad A'_\mu \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}} A'_\mu \implies \mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^2 - \frac{1}{4}F'_{\mu\nu}{}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_{A'}^2 A_\mu'^2 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

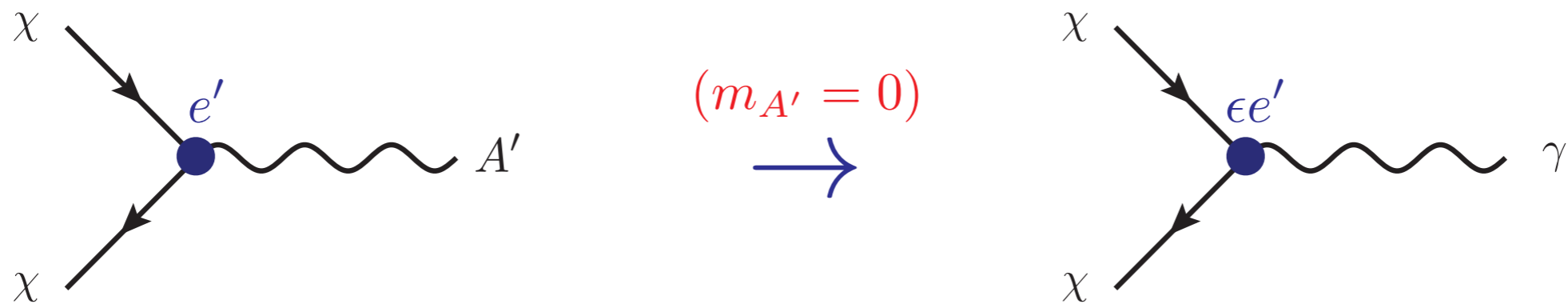
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$$\begin{cases} A_{\text{vis}} = A + \epsilon A' & \text{(the massless photon)} \\ A_{\text{inv}} = A' - \epsilon A \end{cases}$$

$$m_{A'} = 0 \implies \mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}F_{\text{vis}}^2 - \frac{1}{4}F_{\text{inv}}^2 + j_\mu A_{\text{vis}}^\mu + j'_\mu (A_{\text{inv}}^\mu + \epsilon A_{\text{vis}}^\mu)$$

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$$q_{\text{eff}} \sim \epsilon e' / e$$

(exact millicharge limit)

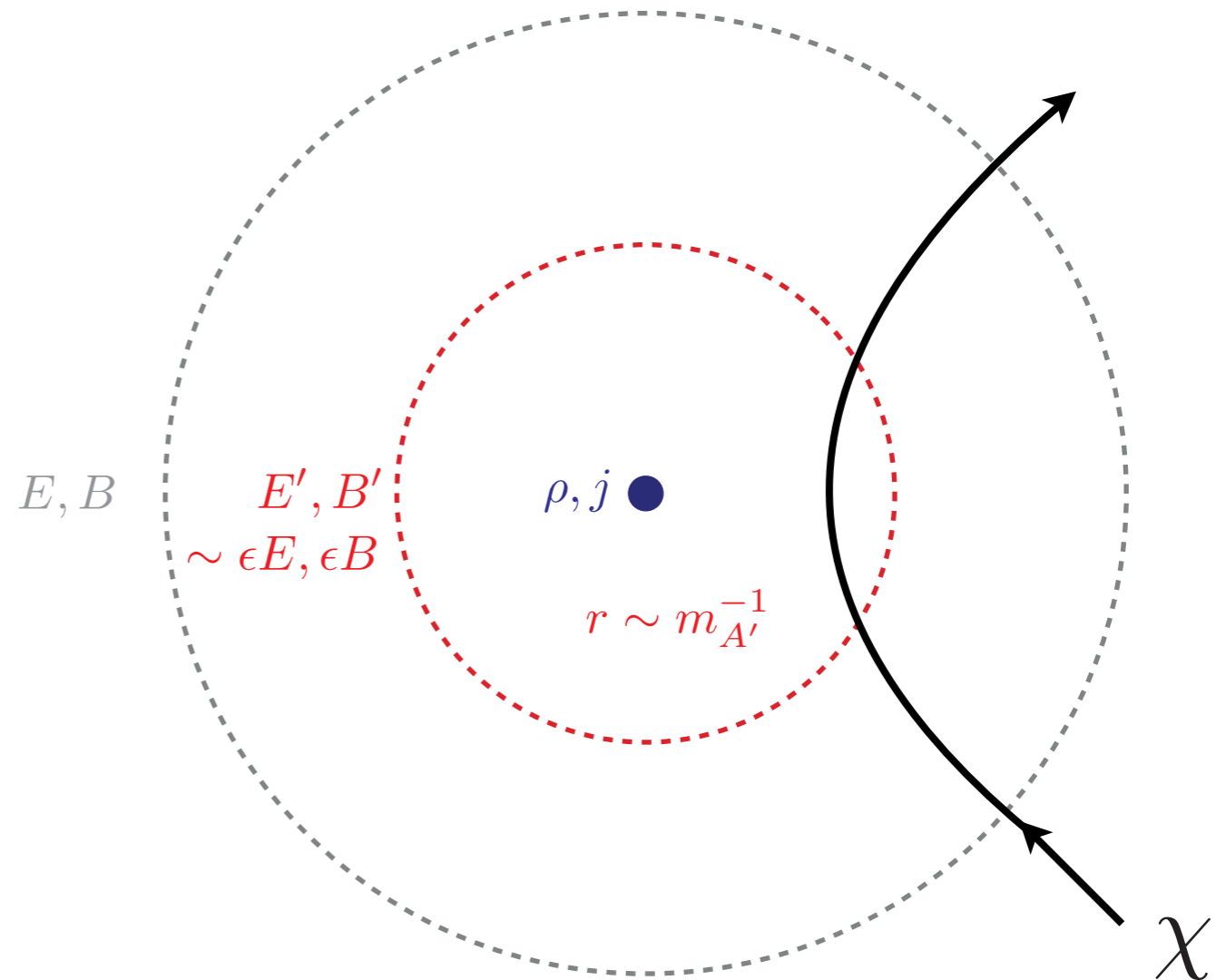
Pseudo-Millicharge

$(m_{A'} \neq 0)$

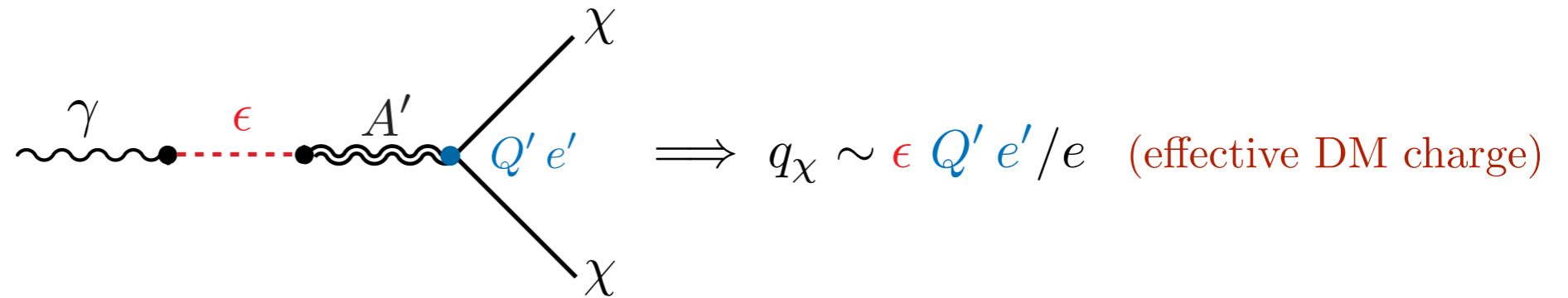
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New Long-Ranged Forces



ϵ theory expectation

10^{-3}

10^{-6} + small gauge coupling

10^{-10} + mass degeneracy

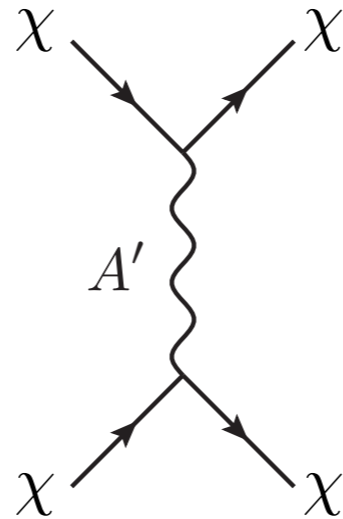
10^{-15} + multi-loops, Yukawa, gravitational, ...

...

χ χ A' $Q'e'$ $Q'e'$ χ χ astrophysically viable

$\implies Q'e' \lesssim 10^{-7} \times \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{keV}}\right)^{3/4}$

Self-Interactions



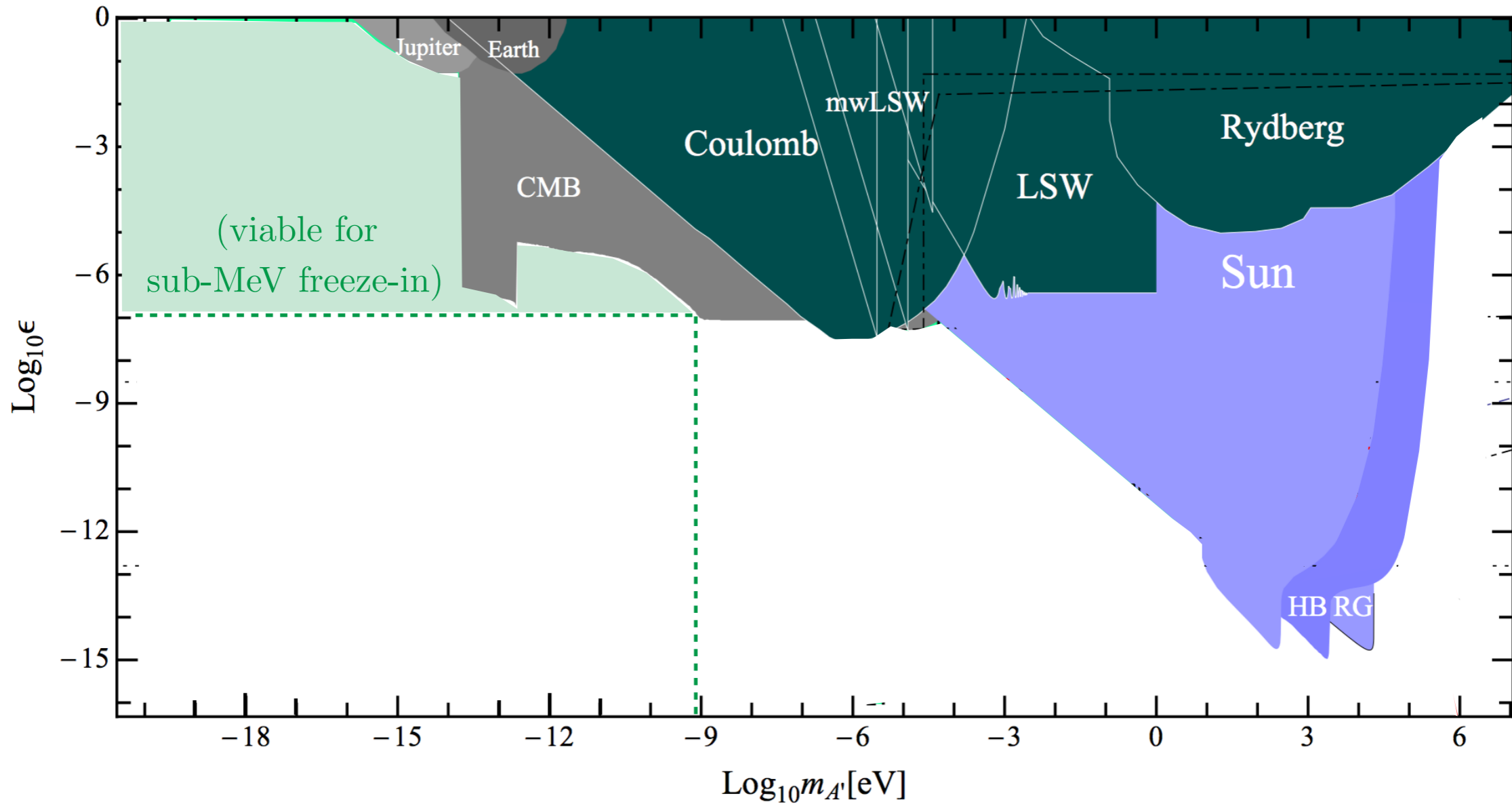
e.g., galaxy clusters $\implies \alpha' \lesssim 10^{-10} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{3/2}$

freeze-in $\implies q_{\text{eff}} \sim \epsilon \epsilon' / e \sim 10^{-11} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{-1/2} \implies \alpha' \sim \frac{10^{-24}}{\epsilon^2} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{-1}$

\therefore SIDM + freeze-in $\implies \epsilon \gtrsim 10^{-7} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{-5/4}$

what does this imply
for the dark photon mass?

Parameter Space



$$m_{A'} \lesssim 10^{-9} \text{ eV} \sim \frac{1}{100 \text{ m}}$$

long-range forces: DM is pseudo-millicharged on lab-scales

Active Direct Detection

$$q_{\text{eff}} \sim \epsilon e' / e \sim 10^{-11} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{-1/2}$$

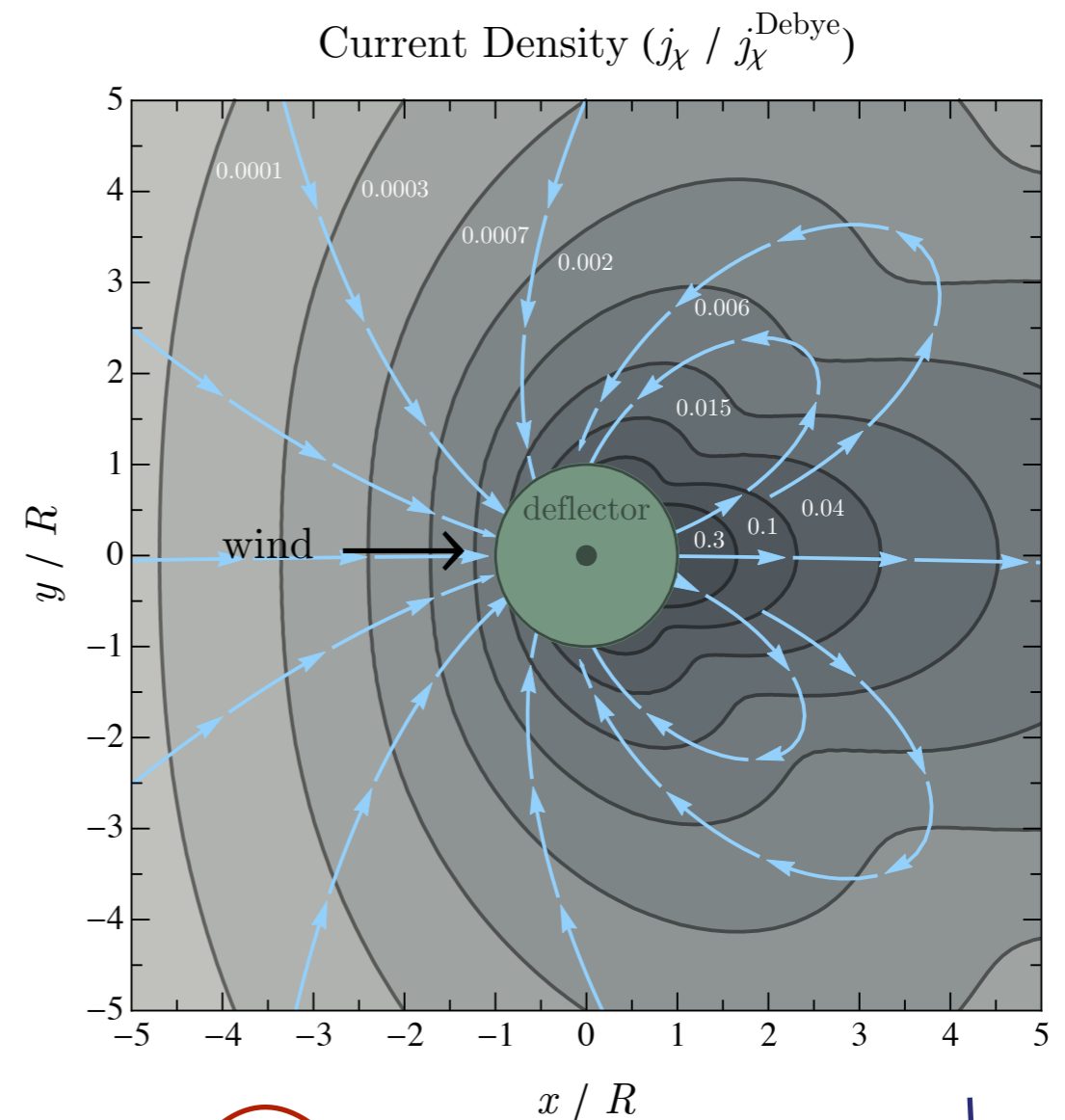
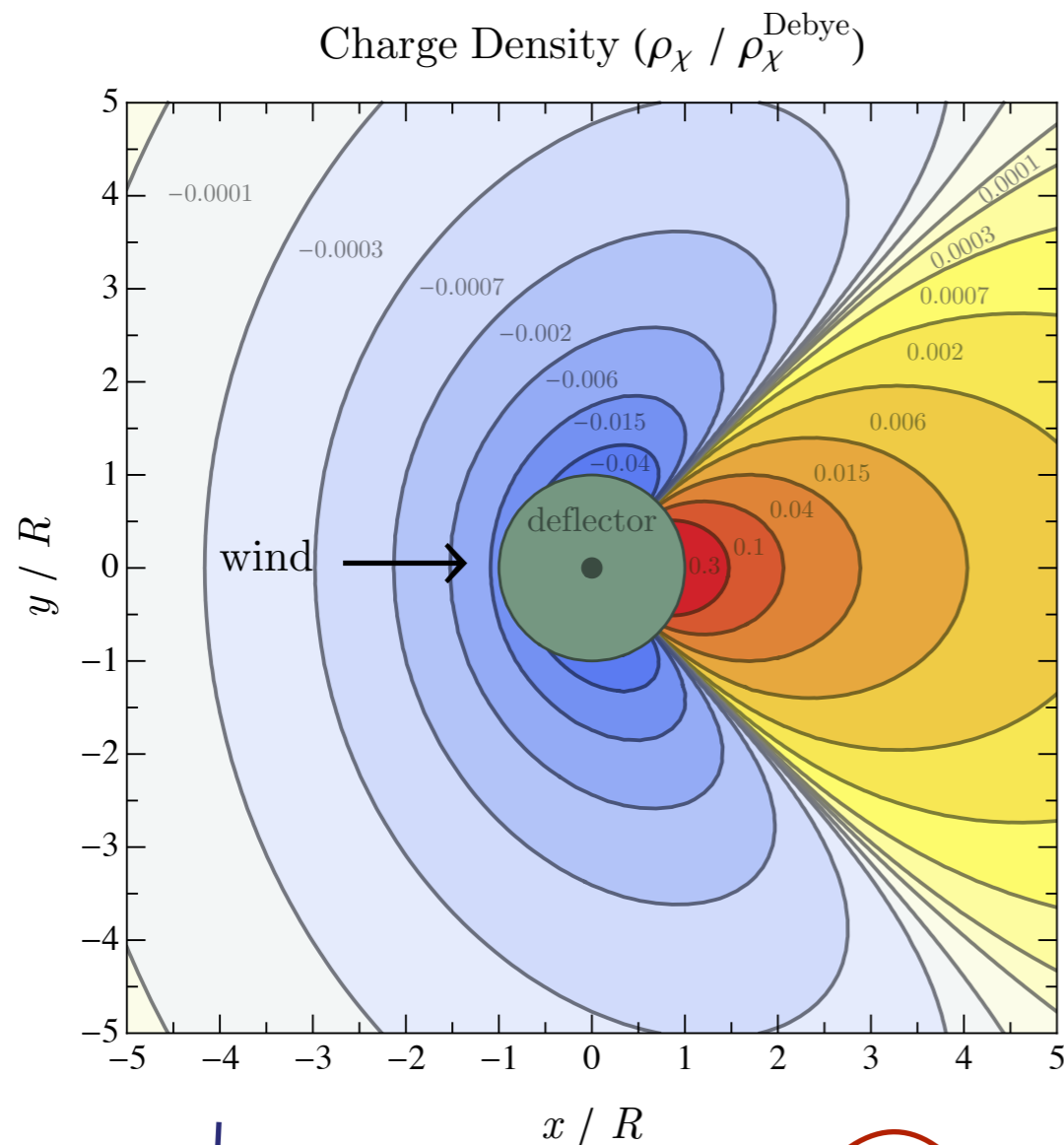
(freeze-in)

$(v_\chi \ll 1 \implies$ electric fields are more efficient than magnetic fields)

• bend it: $r_g \sim \frac{m_\chi v_\chi}{q_{\text{eff}} e B} \sim \text{meter} \times \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{keV}} \right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{10 \text{ T}}{B} \right)$

• stop it: $m_\chi v_\chi^2 \sim q_{\text{eff}} e \Delta V \implies \Delta V \sim \text{MV} \times \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{keV}} \right)^{3/2}$

Non-Adiabatic Debye Screening



(ignore backreaction) $\omega_p \ll \omega \ll \pi v_\chi / R$ (maximum deflection)

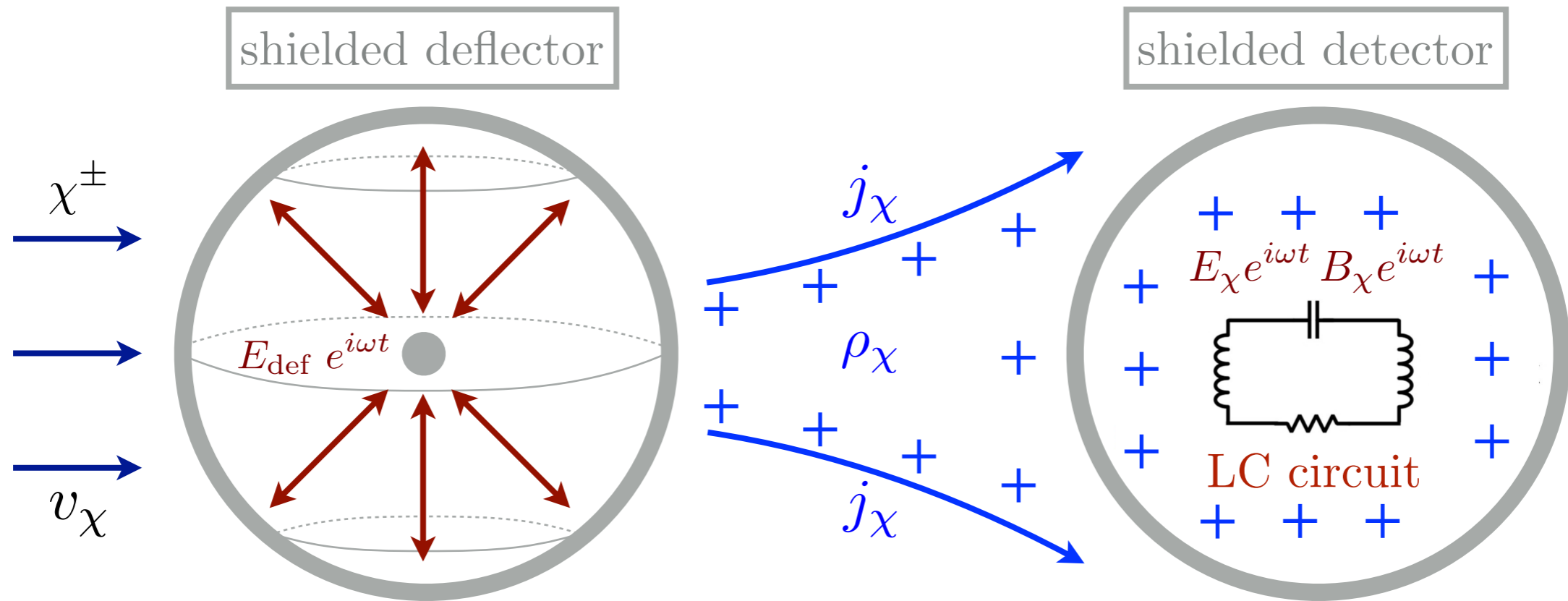
$\implies \text{kHz} \times (m_\chi / \text{eV})^{-1/4} \ll \omega \ll \text{MHz} \times (R / \text{meter})^{-1}$

electric fields

100 kHz
(quasi-static)

magnetic fields

Direct *Deflection*



$$E_{\text{def}} \sim 10 \text{ kV/cm} , R \sim \text{meter} \implies \begin{cases} E_\chi \sim 10^{-12} \text{ kV/cm} \times (q_\chi/10^{-10})^2 (m_\chi/\text{keV})^{-2} \\ B_\chi \sim 10^{-19} \text{ T} \times (q_\chi/10^{-10})^2 (m_\chi/\text{keV})^{-2} \end{cases}$$

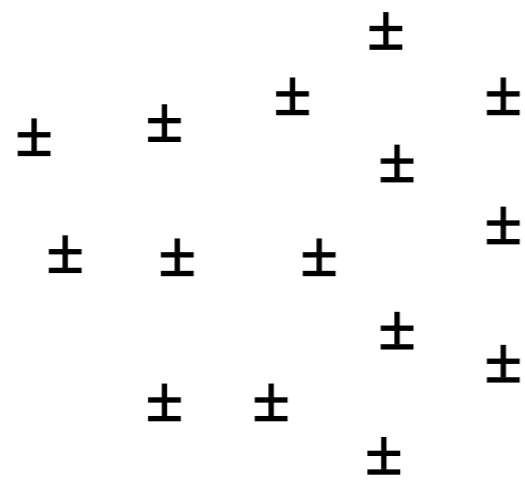
high- Q radio

(DM Radio, Auriga)

Debye Screening

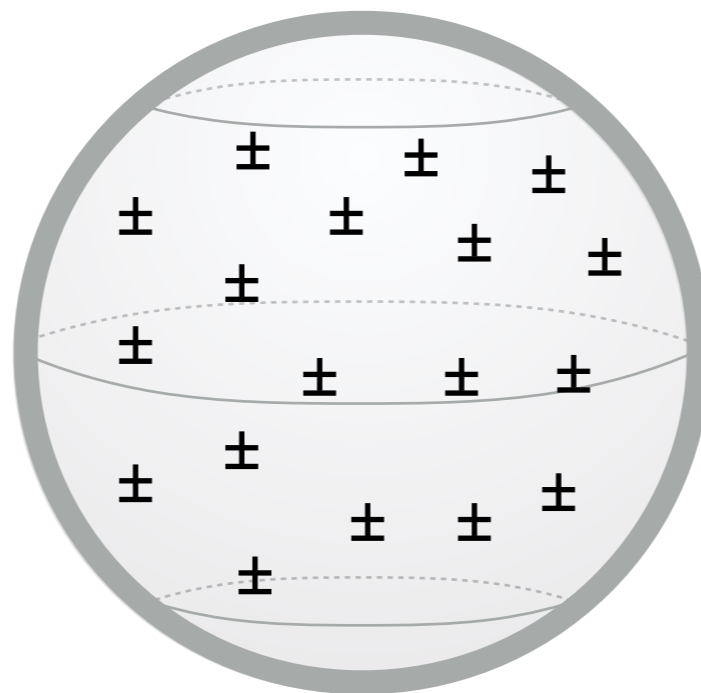
$$\chi^\pm$$

(dark matter)

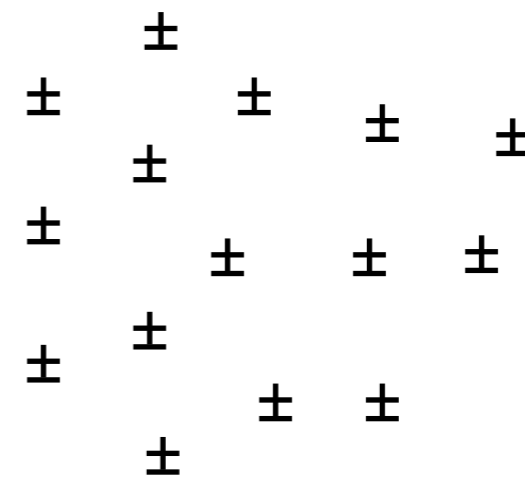


$$\rho_\chi \simeq 0$$

electromagnetic shield



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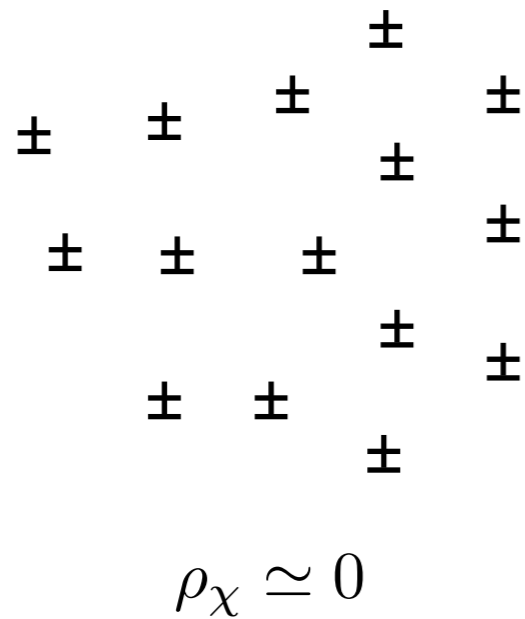


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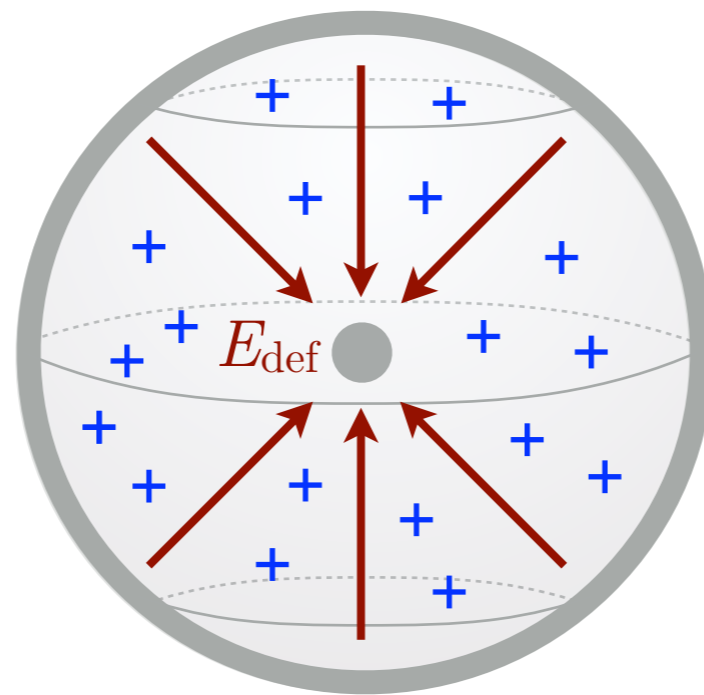
Debye Screening

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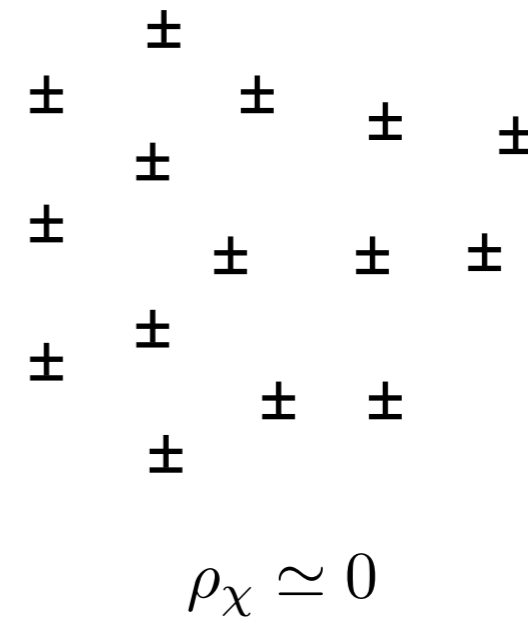
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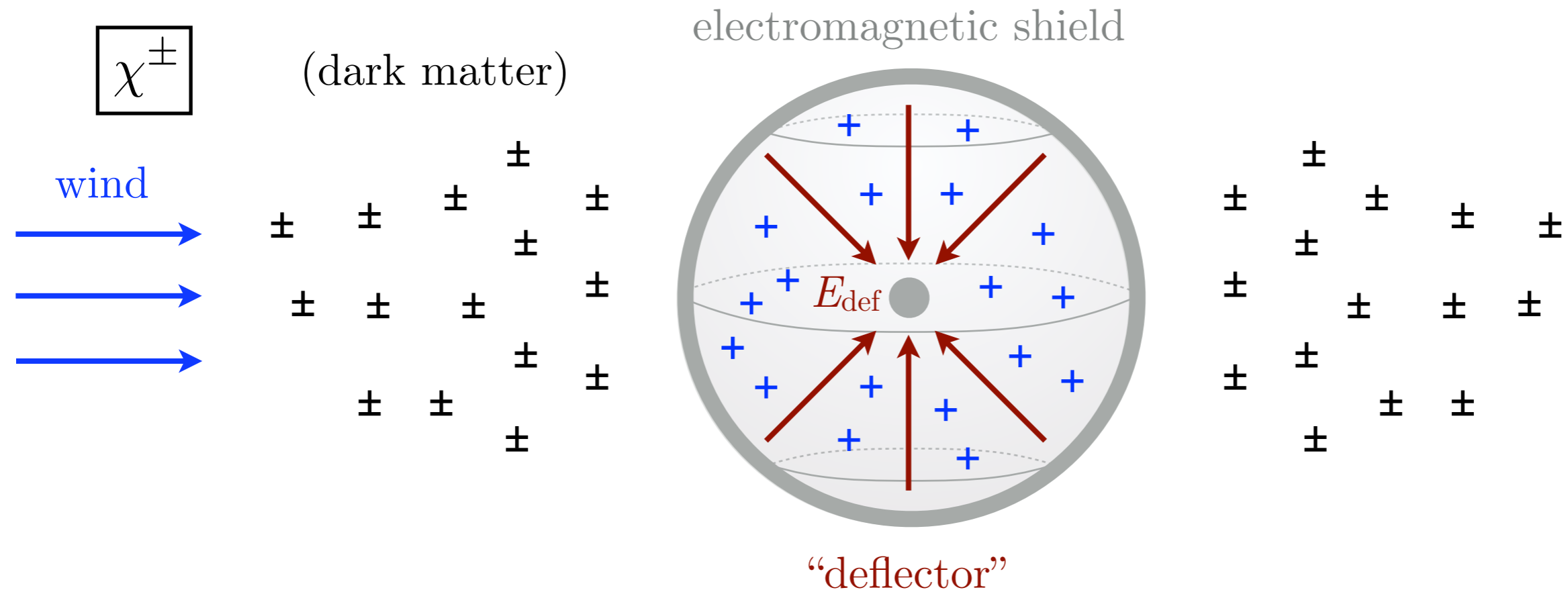


"deflector"



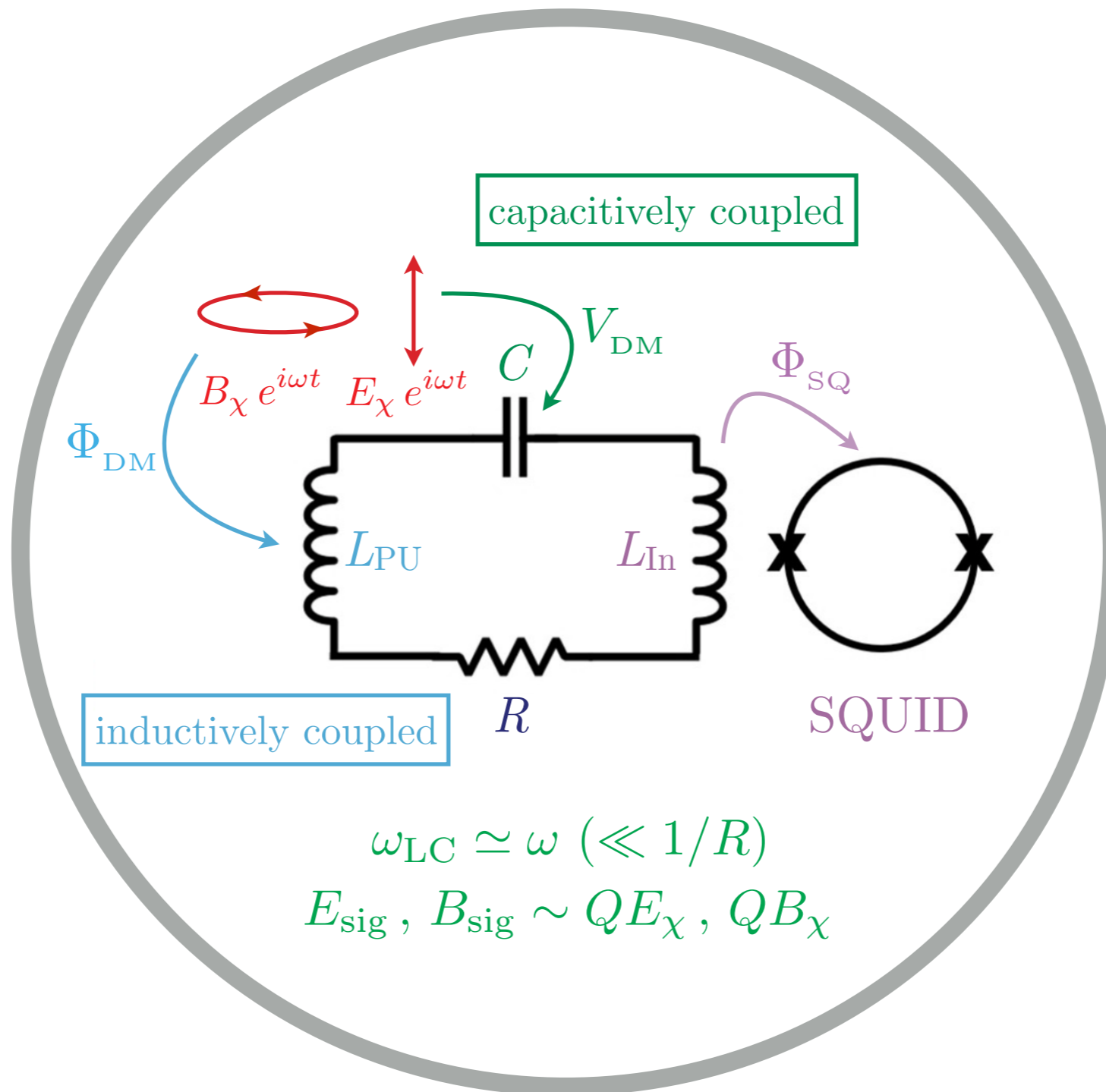
$$\rho_\chi^{\text{Debye}} \simeq - \frac{(eq_\chi)^2 \rho_{\text{DM}} V_{\text{def}}}{m_\chi^2 v_\chi^2}$$

Non-Adiabatic Debye Screening



LC Resonators

shielded detector

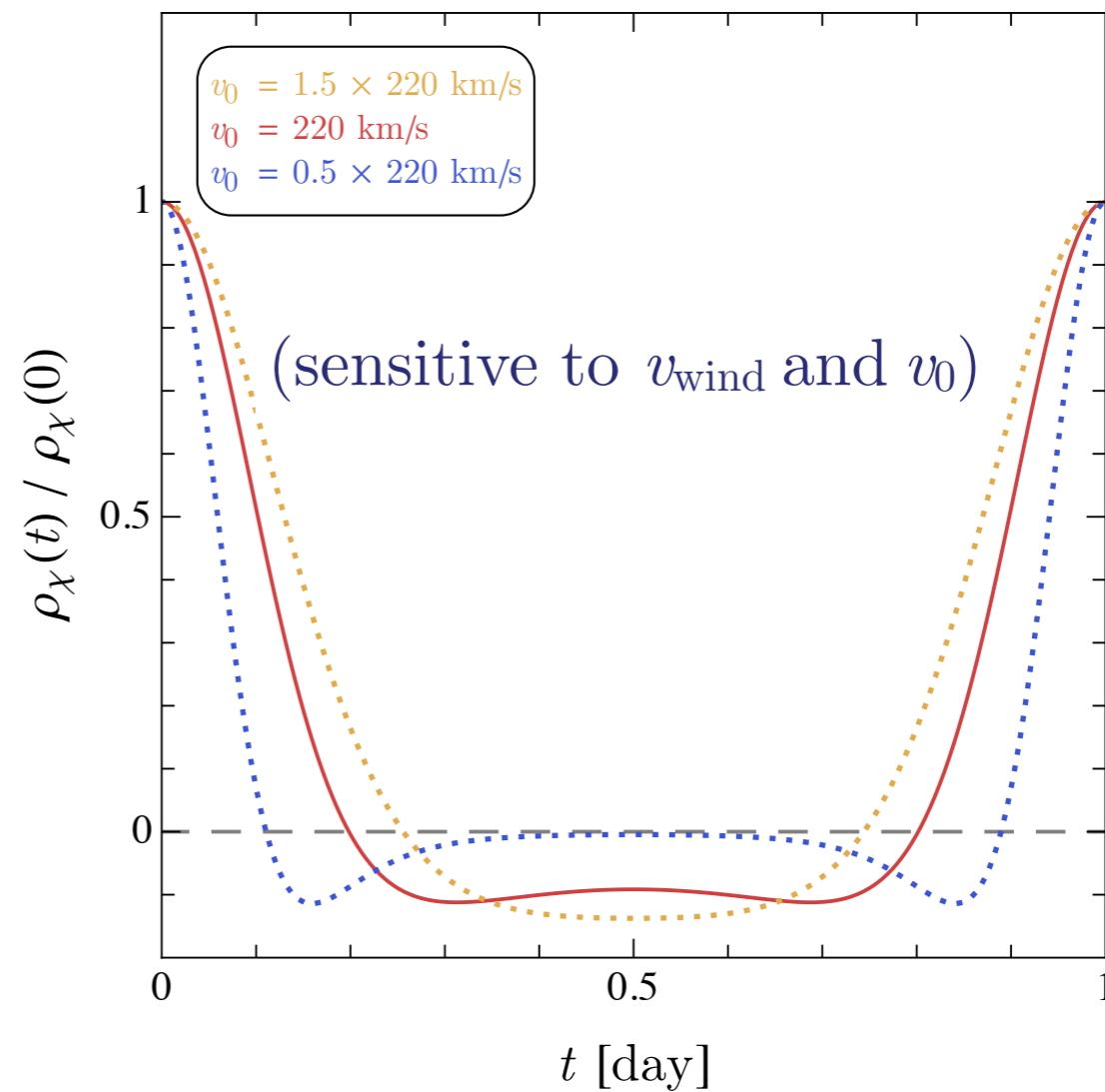
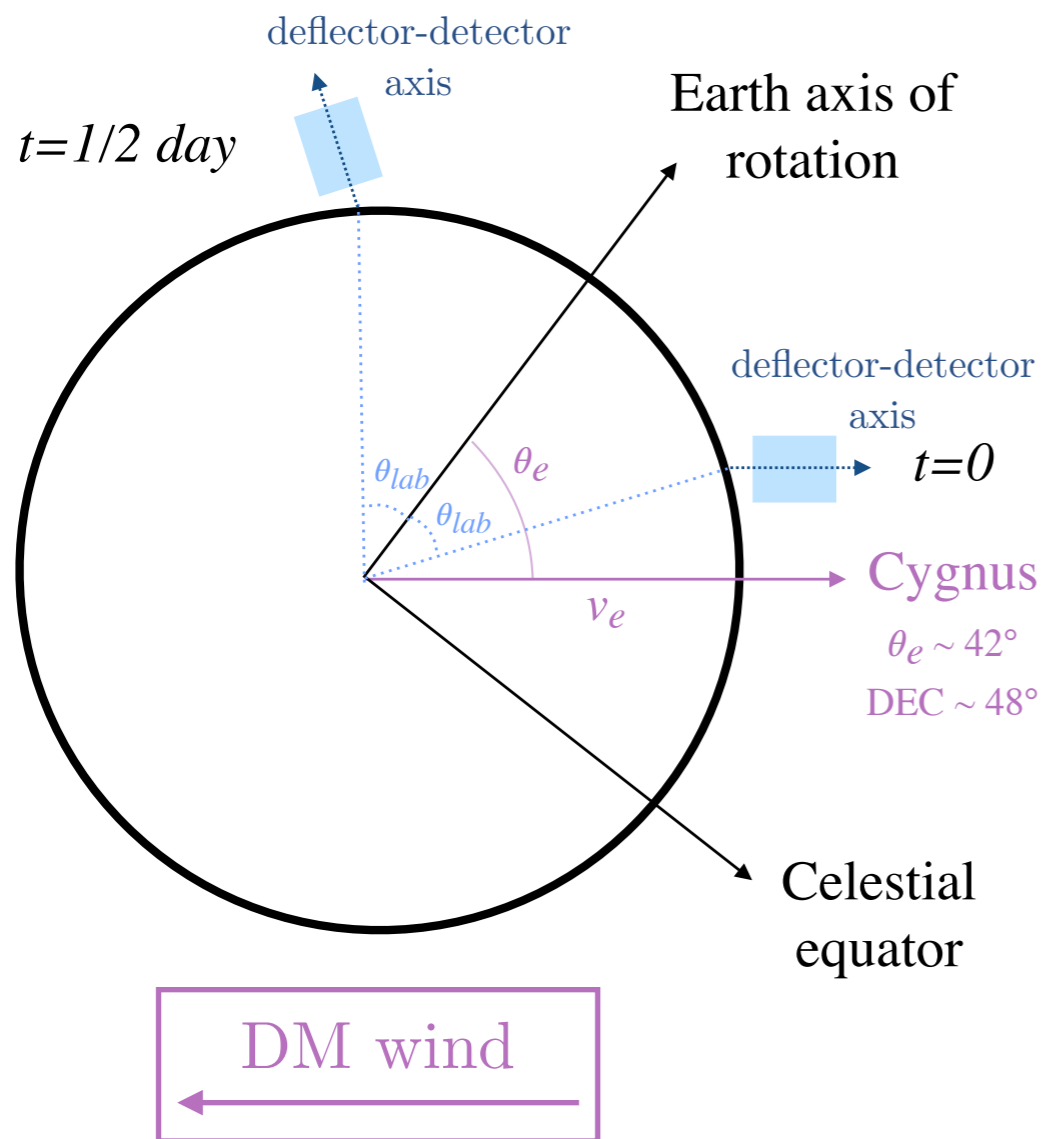


$$\omega_{LC} \simeq \omega (\ll 1/R)$$

$$E_{sig}, B_{sig} \sim QE_\chi, QB_\chi$$

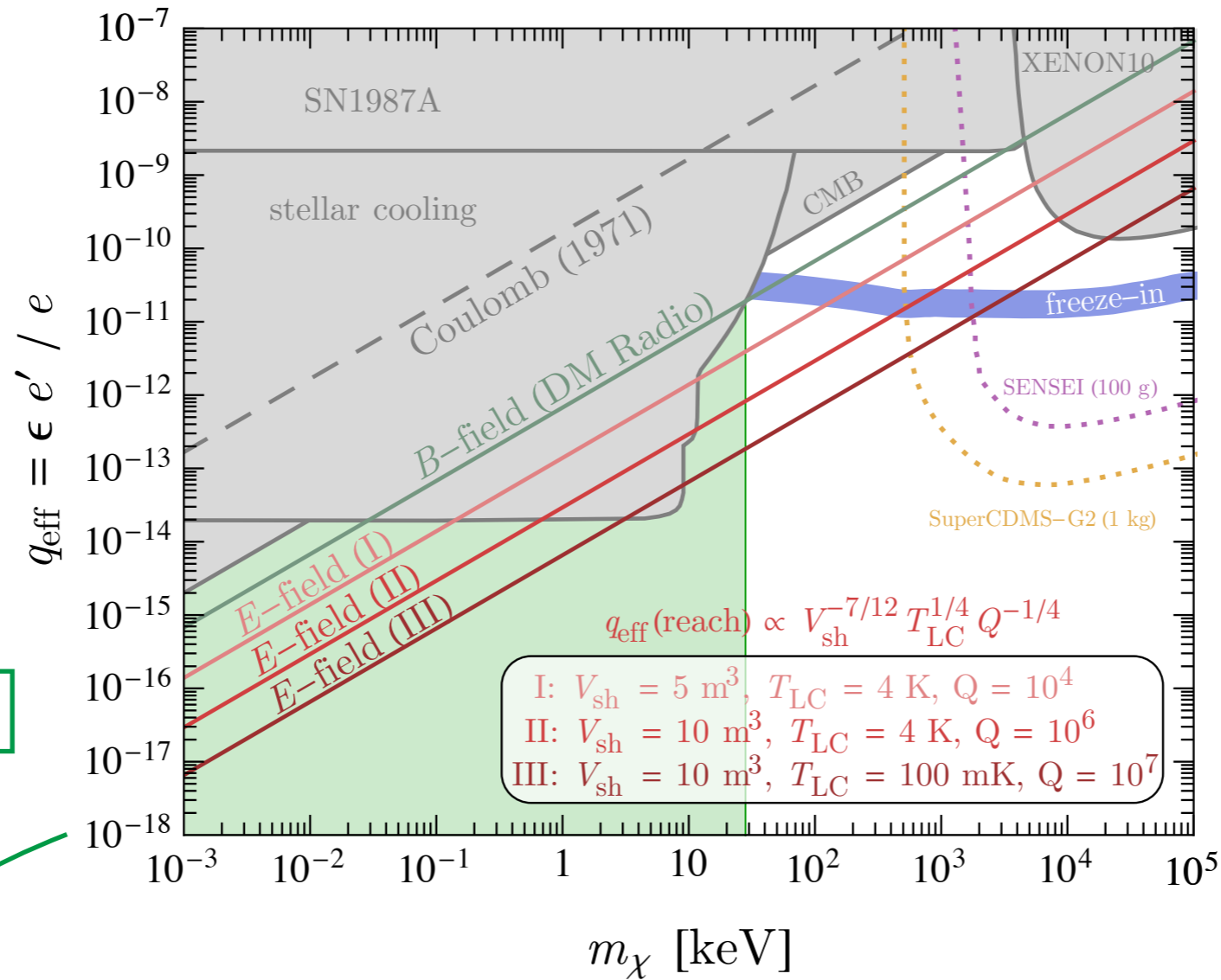
= DM Radio, Auriga...

Daily Modulation



deflector: ω
 signal: $\omega \pm \omega_\oplus$

Reach Summary



ultralight cosmology?

transition when
 $m_\chi v_\chi \lesssim \text{meter}^{-1} \implies m_\chi \lesssim 10^{-7} \text{ keV}$

$\langle E_{\text{def}} \rangle = 10 \text{ kV/cm}$
 $\omega = 100 \text{ kHz}$
 $t_{\text{int}} = \text{year}$

$$q_{\text{eff}}(\text{reach}) \propto m_\chi V_{\text{sh}}^{-7/12} \langle E_{\text{def}} \rangle^{-1/2} (Q \omega t_{\text{int}} / T_{\text{LC}})^{-1/4}$$

Noise/Systematics

- **SQUID noise**
imprecision, backaction

(sub-dominant,
1411.7382 & 1803.01627)

- **deflector noise**
magnetic, electric

(sub-dominant)

(DM radio) penetration depth $\lesssim 50$ nm , critical field ~ 0.1 T ~ 100 kV/cm

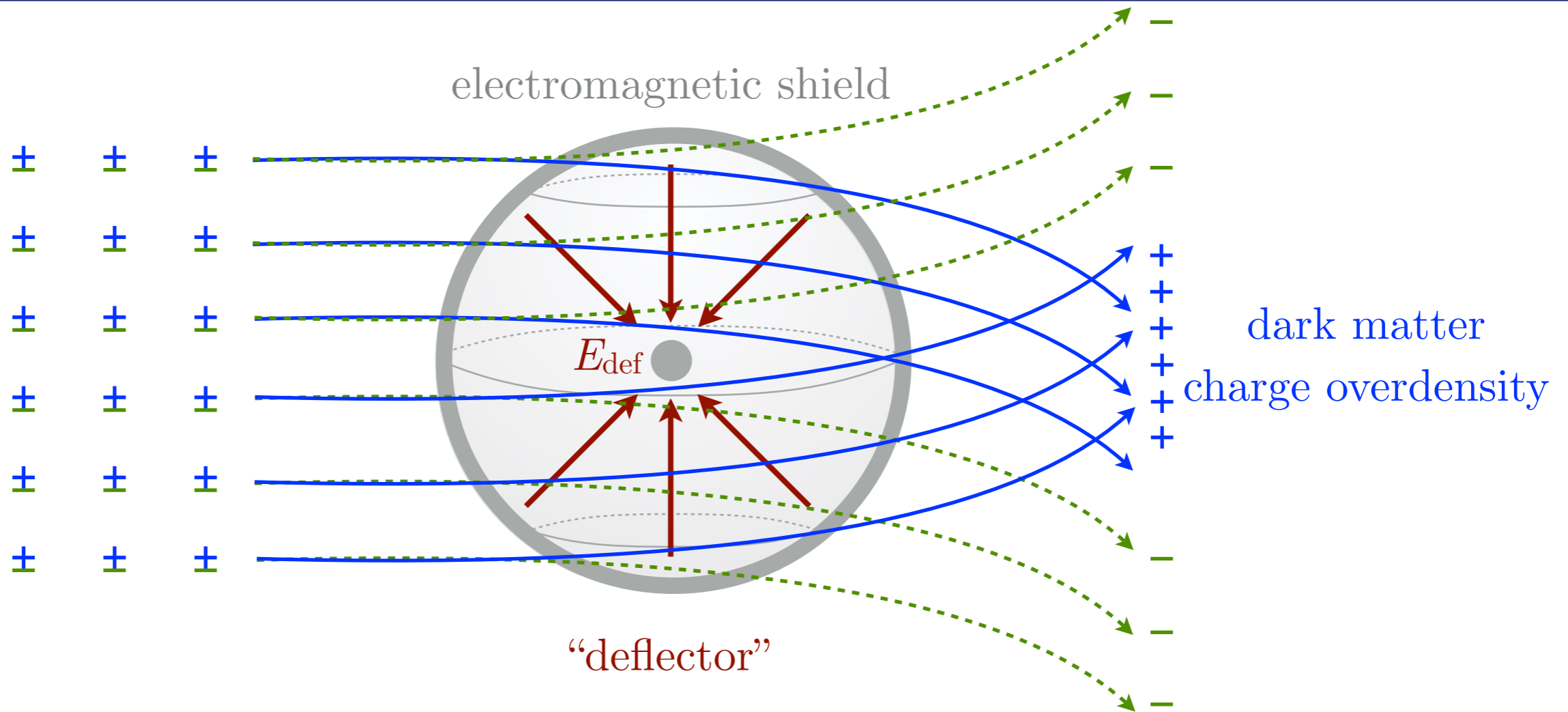
- **thermal noise**
 $T \lesssim K$, Johnson/Nyquist

(dominant for $\omega \lesssim 10^8$ Hz,
1411.7382 & 1803.01627)

handles: directional dependence, daily modulation

Debye Screening

$$\chi^\pm$$

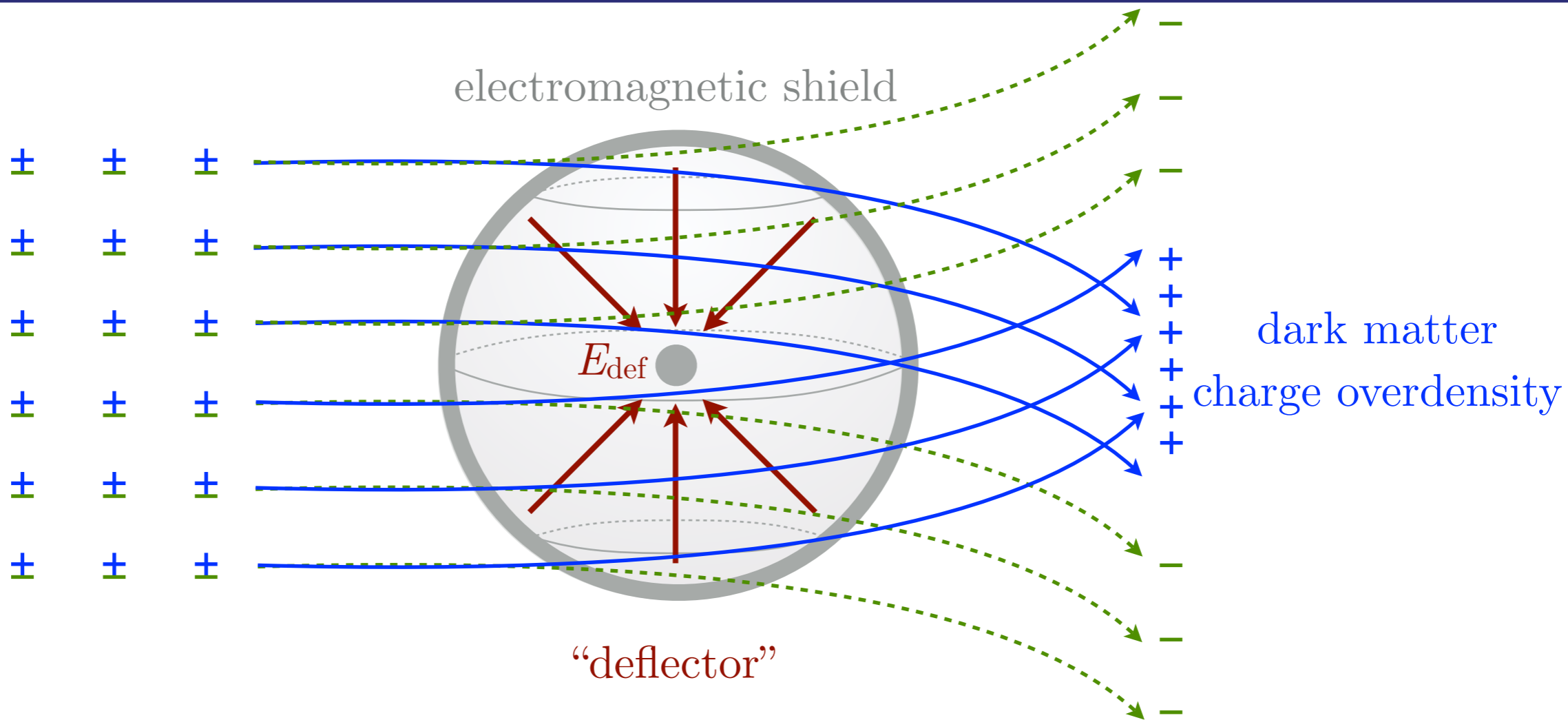


(ray tracing)

$$\rho_\chi(\mathbf{x}, t) \simeq \frac{1}{2} e q_\chi n_\chi \sum_{\pm} (\pm 1) \int d^3 \mathbf{x}_i d^3 \mathbf{v} f(\mathbf{v}) \delta^3(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_{\text{traj.}}^\pm(t))$$

Debye Screening

$$\chi^\pm$$



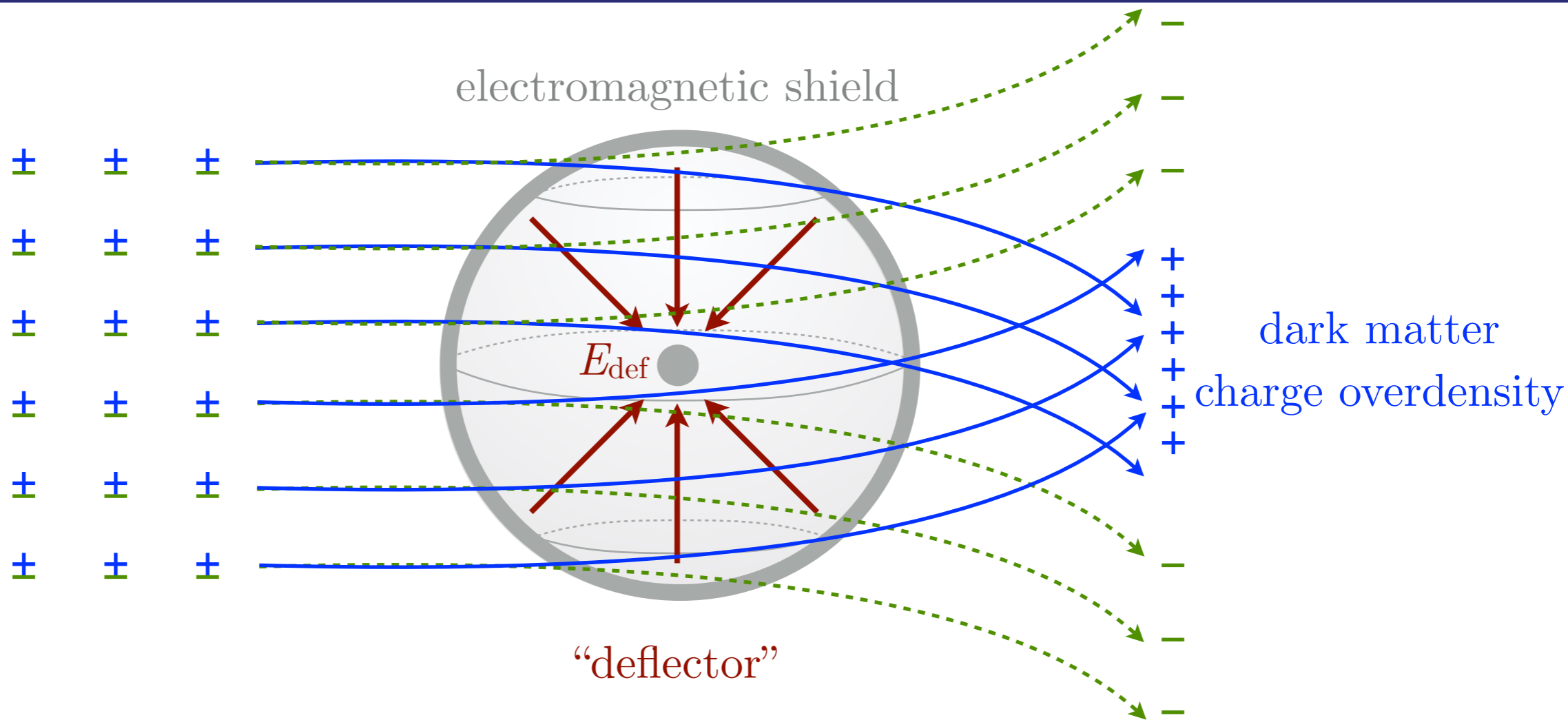
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initial position
velocity distribution
deflected trajectory

Debye Screening

$$\chi^\pm$$



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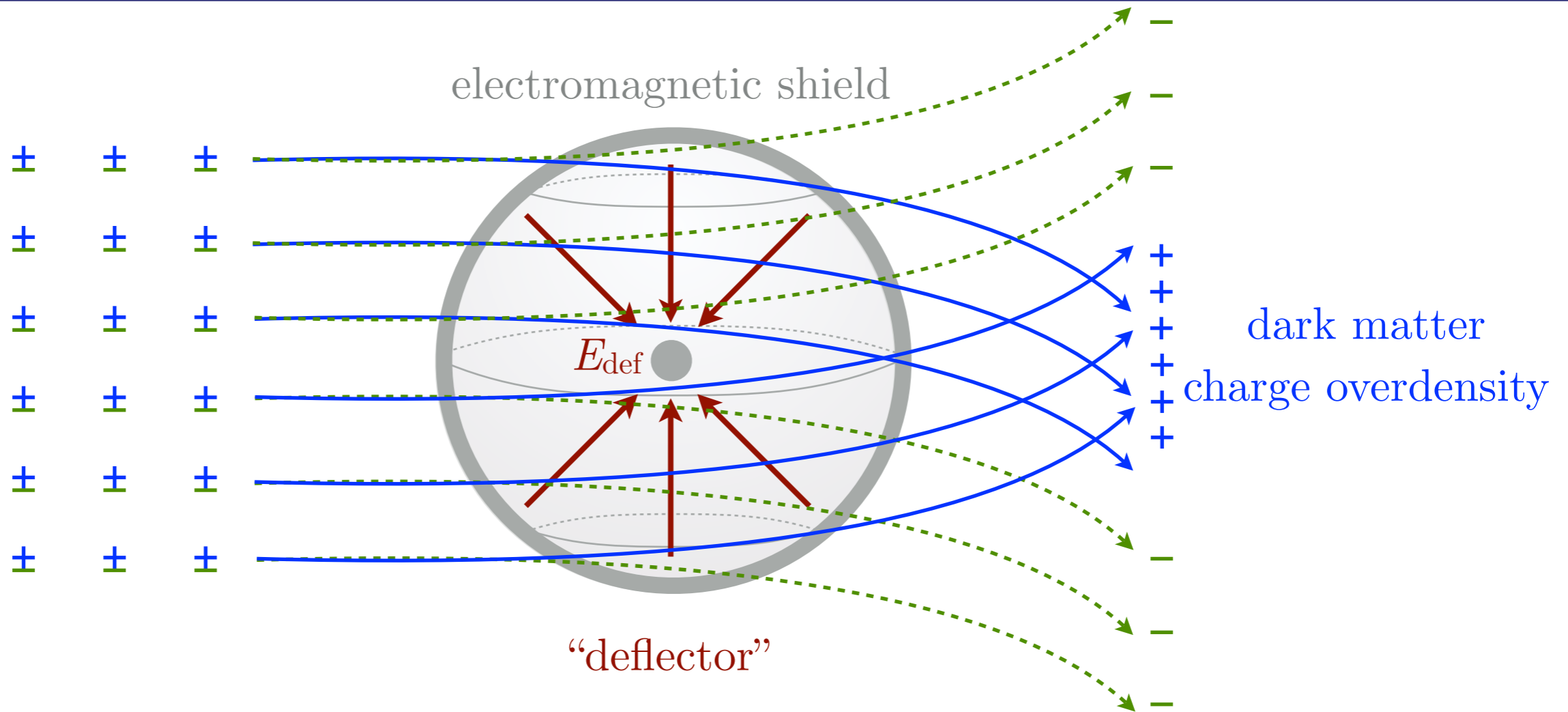
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(weak coupling)

$$\simeq -\frac{(eq_\chi)^2 \rho_{\text{DM}}}{m_\chi^2} e^{i\omega t} \int dv d^3 \mathbf{x}' f\left(v \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|}\right) \frac{\rho_{\text{def}}(\mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} e^{-i\omega |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|/v}$$

Debye Screening

$$\chi^\pm$$



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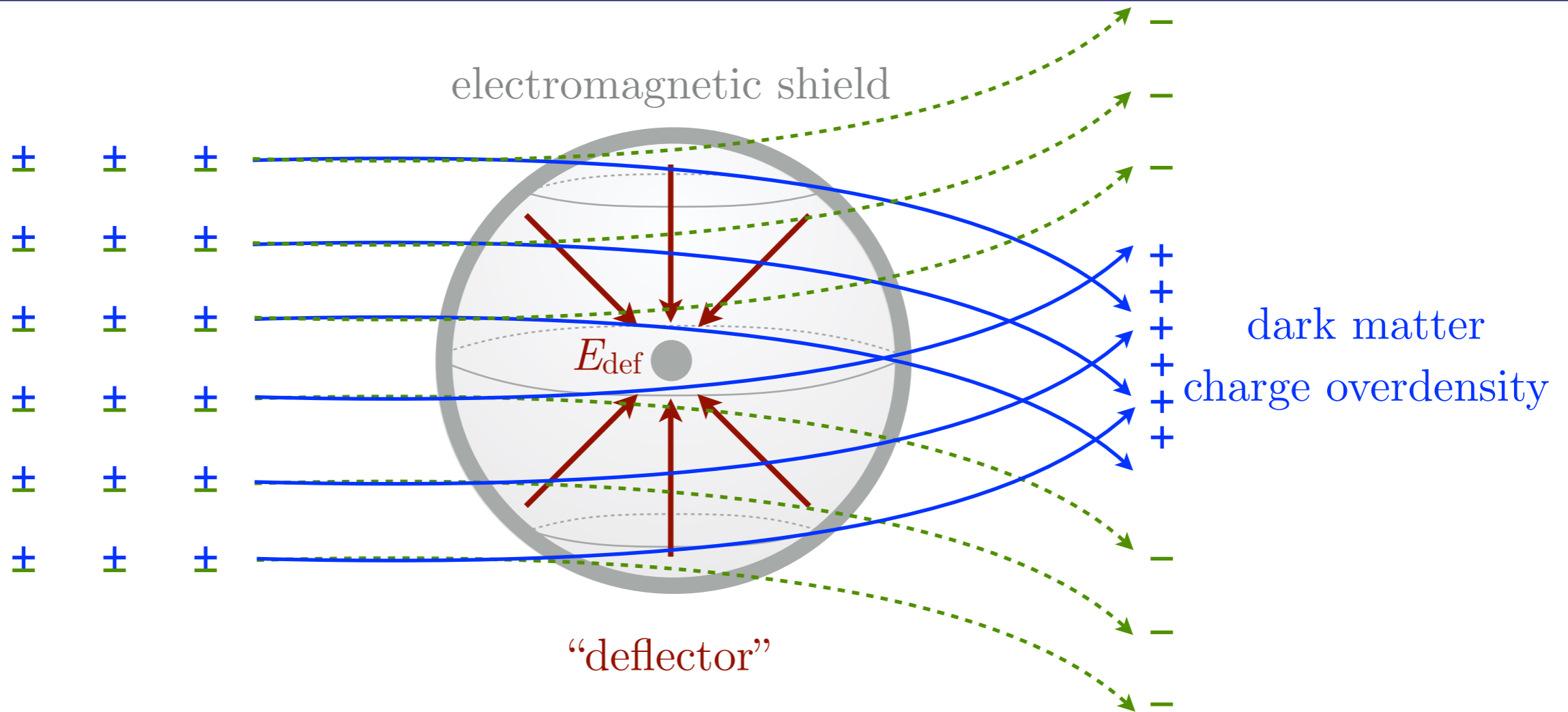
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reduces to standard Debye screening
when there's no preferred direction

Debye Screening

$$\chi^\pm$$



(ray tracing)

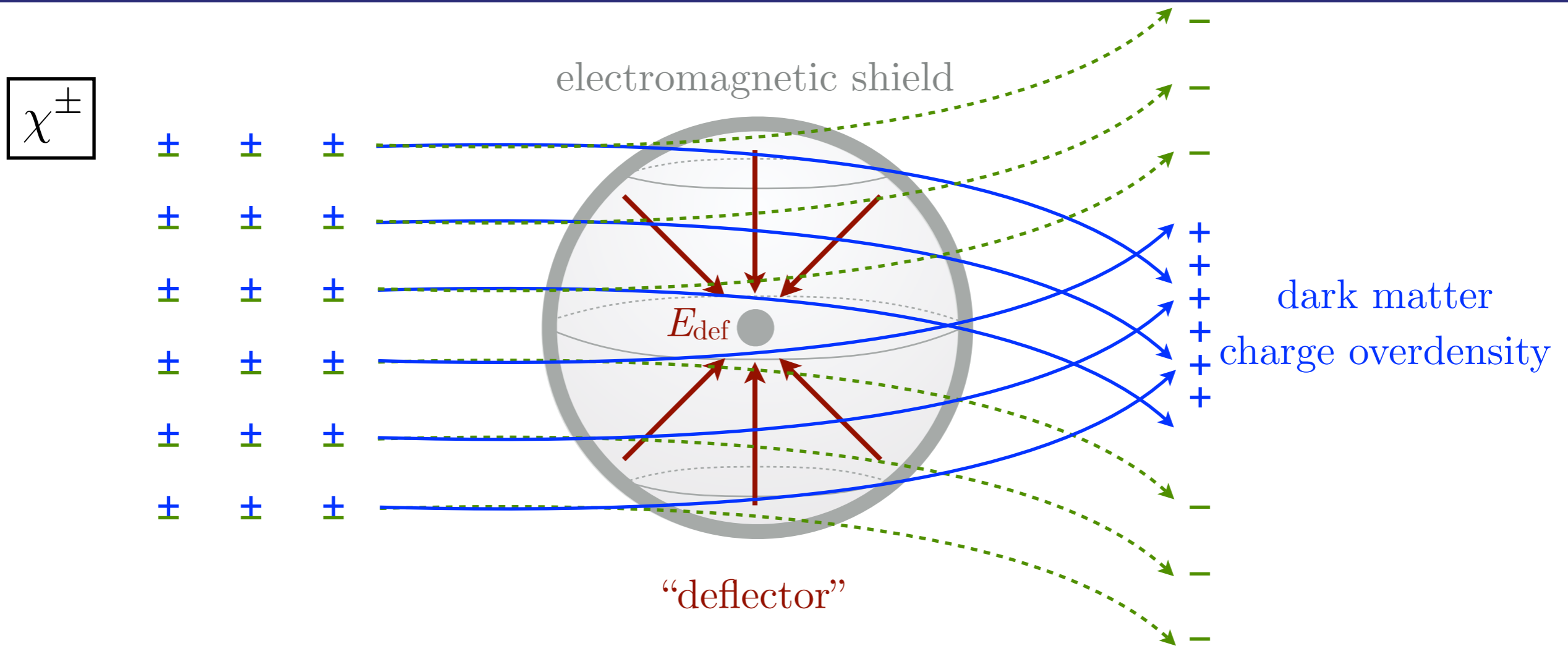
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suppression when DM transit time
is much longer than period of oscillation

Debye Screening



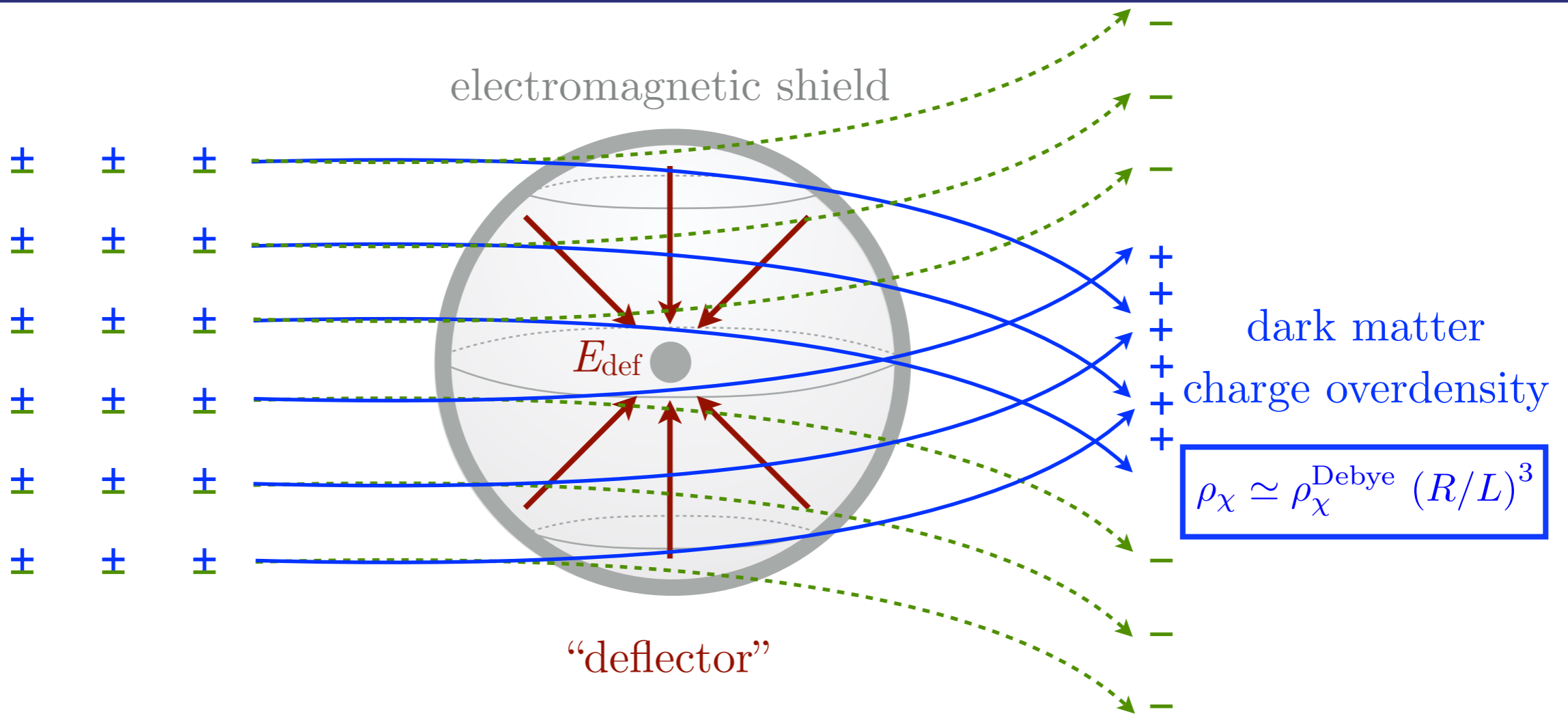
(far-field)

$$\rho_\chi(x, t) \simeq -\frac{(eq_\chi)^2 \rho_{\text{DM}}}{m_\chi^2} e^{i\omega t} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{(monopole)} \\ Q_{\text{def}} G(x) - \text{(dipole)} \\ p_{\text{def}}^i \nabla_i G(x) + \text{(quadrupole)} \\ \frac{1}{6} Q_{\text{def}}^{ij} \nabla_i \nabla_j G(x) + \text{(charge-radius)} \\ \frac{1}{6} \mathcal{R}_{\text{def}}^2 \nabla^2 G(x) \end{array} \right]$$

$$G(x) \equiv \int dv \frac{f(v \hat{x})}{|x|} \quad \text{(velocity distribution)}$$

Debye Screening

$$\chi^\pm$$



(far-field)

$$\rho_\chi(x, t) \simeq -\frac{(eq_\chi)^2 \rho_{\text{DM}}}{m_\chi^2} e^{i\omega t} \left[\cancel{Q_{\text{def}} G(x) - p_{\text{def}}^i \nabla_i G(x) + \frac{1}{6} Q_{\text{def}}^{ij} \nabla_i \nabla_j G(x)} + \frac{1}{6} \mathcal{R}_{\text{def}}^2 \nabla^2 G(x) \right]$$

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charge radius of “deflector”