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# Deviations in the Neutrino Distribution during BBN

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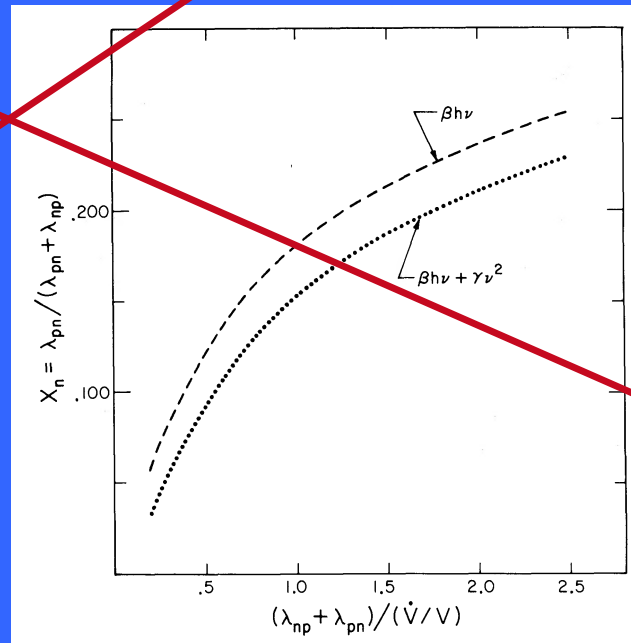
## DISTORTIONS IN THE COSMIC BACKGROUND RADIATION AND BIG-BANG $^4\text{He}$ NUCLEOSYNTHESIS<sup>1</sup>

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$$dn_i(\epsilon) = \frac{4\pi}{h^3} g_i \frac{p_i^2 dp_i}{\exp(\beta\epsilon_i + \gamma\epsilon_i^2) + 1}$$





# The Livermore Years



# Deviations in BBN

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## THE QUARK-HADRON PHASE TRANSITION AND PRIMORDIAL NUCLEOSYNTHESIS

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### Quark-hadron phase transition in the early Universe: Isothermal baryon-number fluctuations and primordial nucleosynthesis

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## COUPLED BARYON DIFFUSION AND NUCLEOSYNTHESIS IN THE EARLY UNIVERSE

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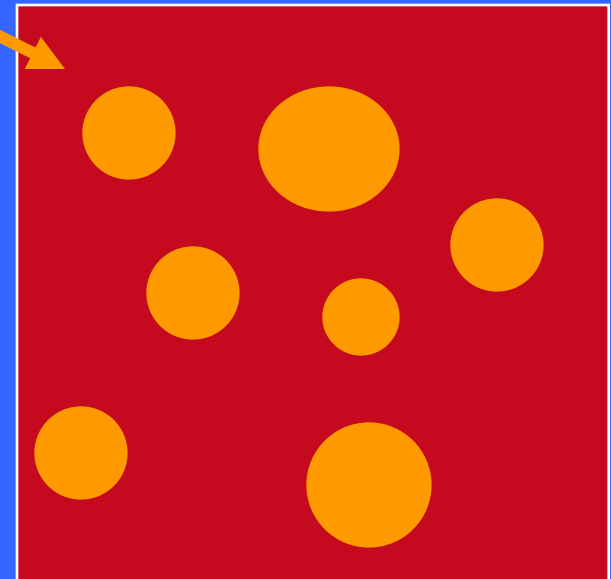
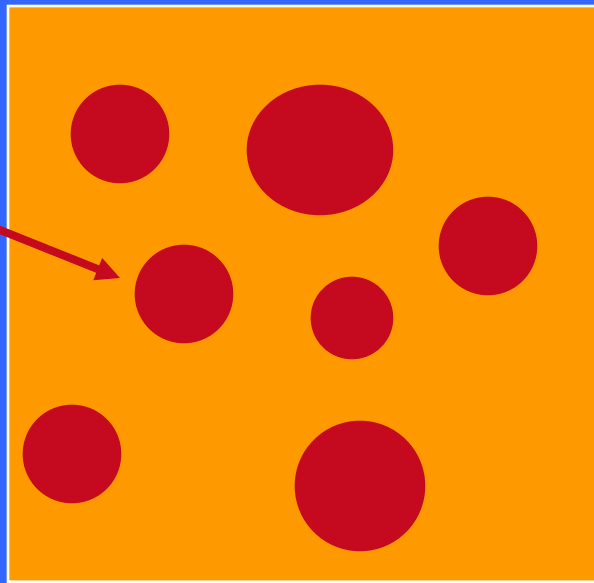
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# Big Bang Nucleosynthesis and the Cosmic Quark-Hadron Phase Transition

Quark-Gluon Plasma

This could lead to  
inhomogeneities  
during BBN

Hadron  
Phase  
 $p, n, \pi, \dots$



# Evolution of the volume fraction

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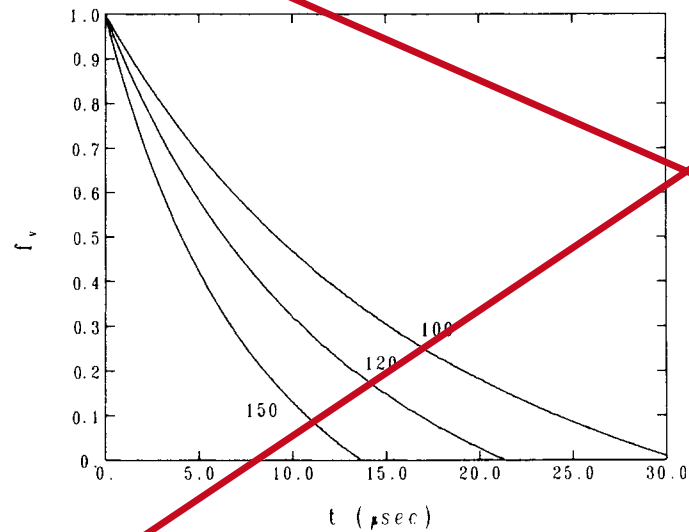


FIG. 4. The quark-gluon plasma volume fraction  $f_v$  as a function of the time since the end of the nucleation epoch. Curves for three different values of coexistence temperature,  $T_c = 100, 150,$  and  $200$  MeV are shown.

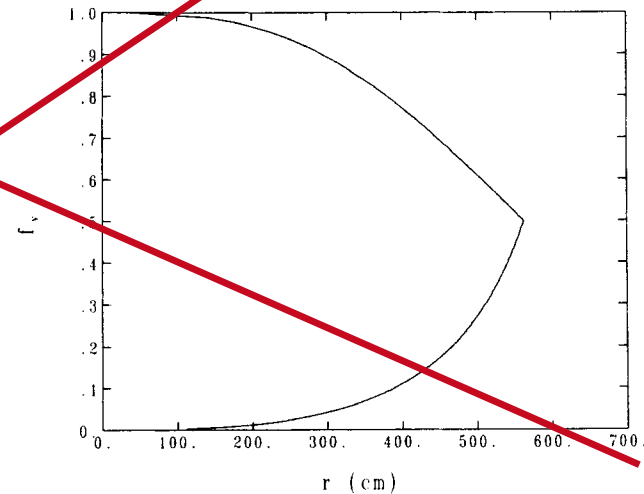
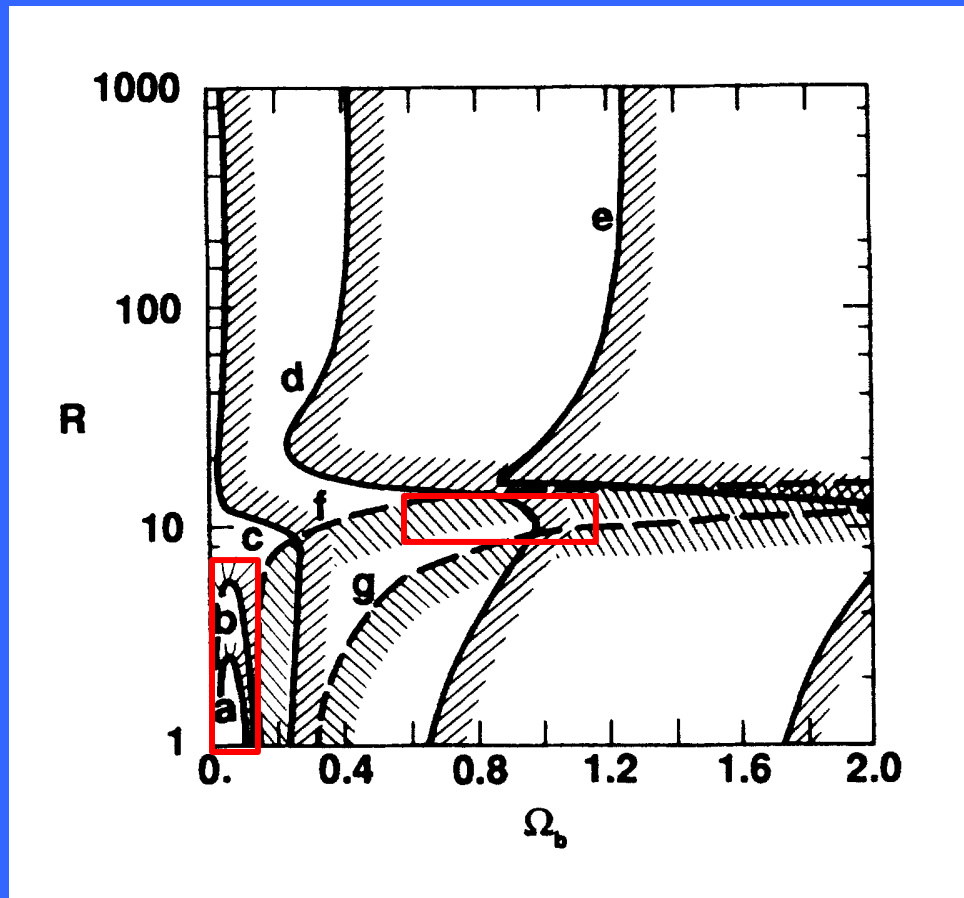


FIG. 5. The quark-gluon plasma volume fraction  $f_v$  is plotted against proper bubble radius  $r$ . The parameter is interpreted as the radius of a growing bubble of hadron phase for  $f_v > 0.5$  and the radius of a shrinking bubble of quark-gluon plasma for  $f_v \leq 0.5$ .



# Evidence of the cosmic QCD transition in BBN?

Density  
Ratio



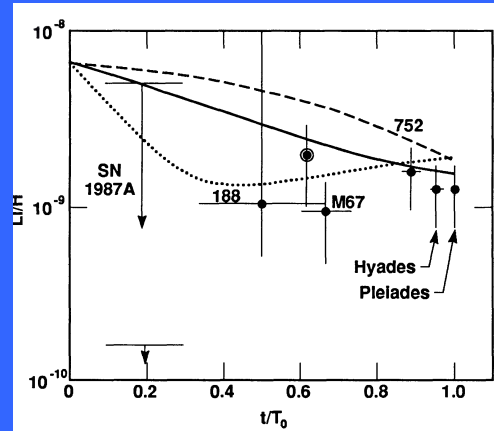
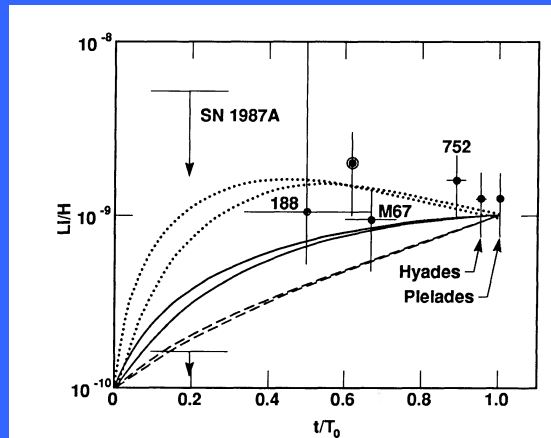
Too much  ${}^7\text{Li}$

## GALACTIC CHEMICAL EVOLUTION WITH LOW AND HIGH PRIMORDIAL LITHIUM

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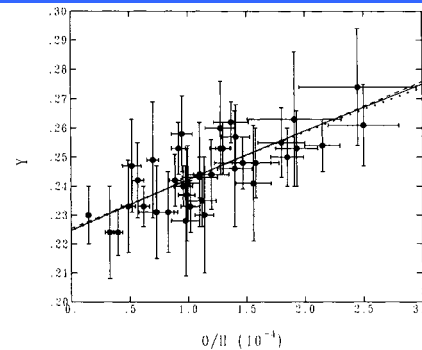


FIG. 1.—Y vs. O/H data of Pagel (1991) compared to the best straight-line fit (dashed line), the hierarchical clustering, closed box, or accretion models (solid line), and the best numerical fit (dotted line) for the hierarchical clustering model with the instantaneous recycling approximation relaxed and with an assumed exponential star formation rate.

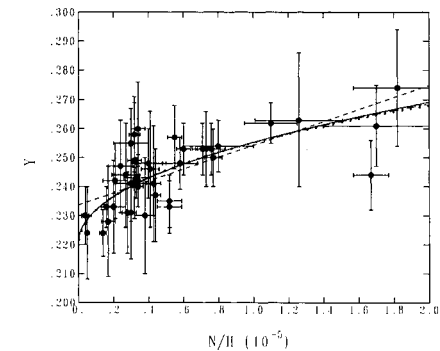
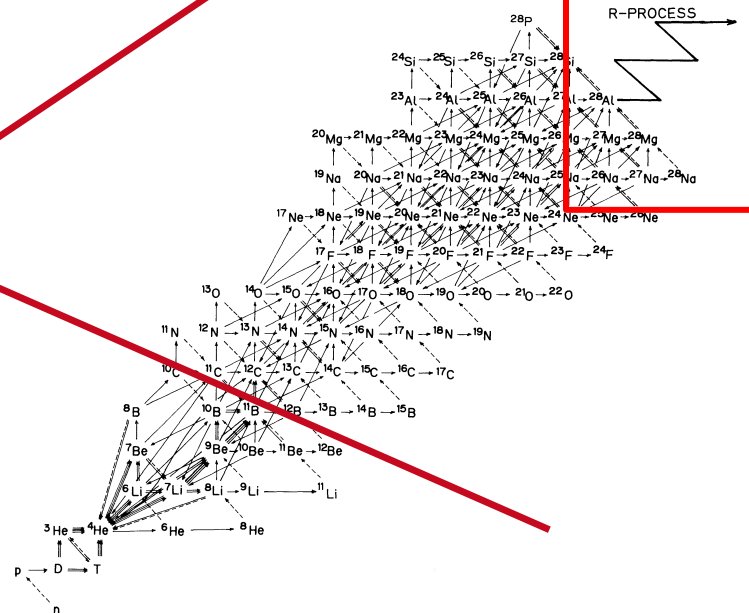


FIG. 2.—Y vs. N/H data of Pagel (1991) compared to the best straight-line fit (dashed line), the hierarchical clustering or closed-box model (solid line), the accretion model (dor-dashed line), and the numerical model with the instantaneous recycling approximation relaxed (dotted line).

PRIMORDIAL NUCLEOSYNTHESIS OF INTERMEDIATE-MASS ELEMENTS IN  
BARYON-NUMBER-INHOMOGENEOUS BIG BANG MODELS:  
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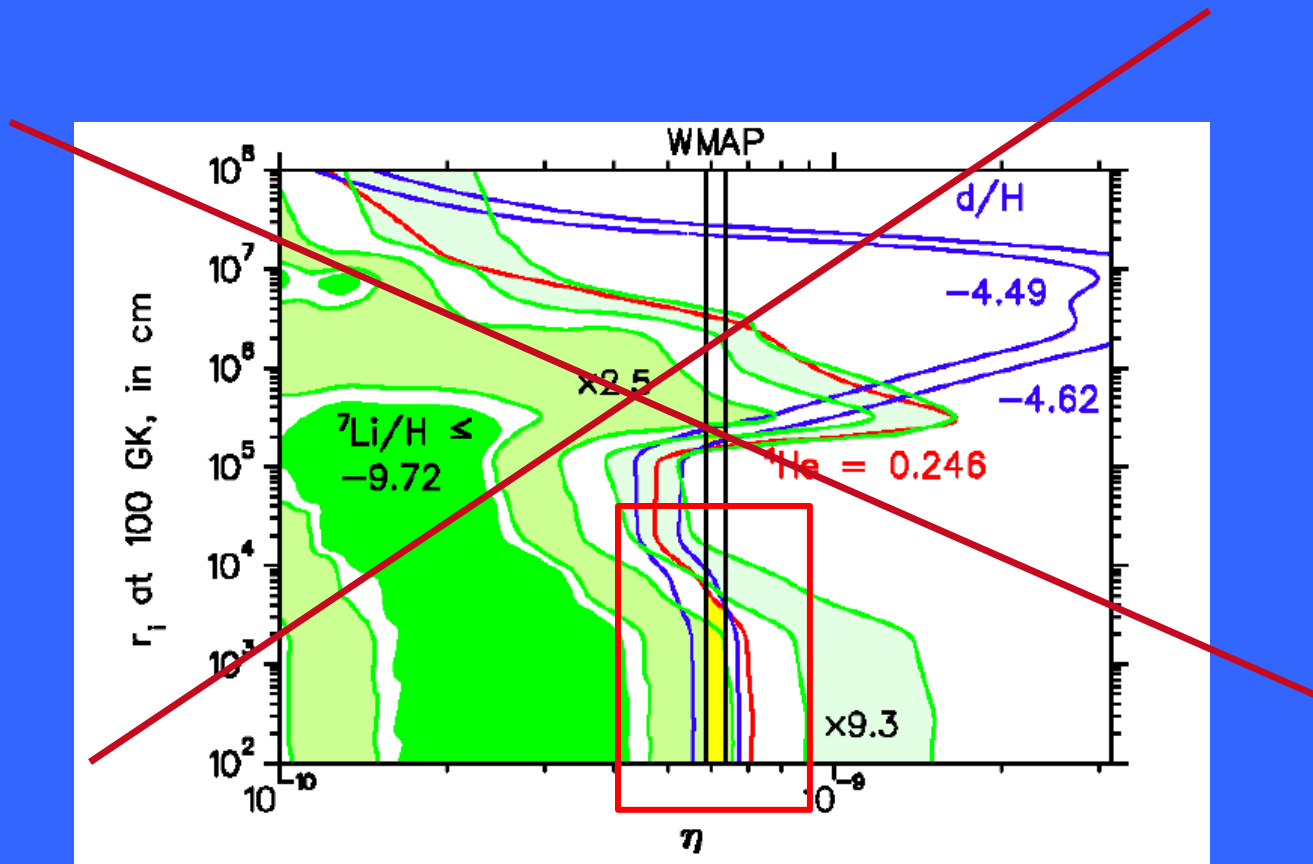
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# Maybe there is another way to make an inhomogeneous big bang



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## On constraining electroweak-baryogenesis with inhomogeneous primordial nucleosynthesis

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## DEVIATION FROM PERIODICITY IN THE LARGE-SCALE DISTRIBUTION OF GALAXIES

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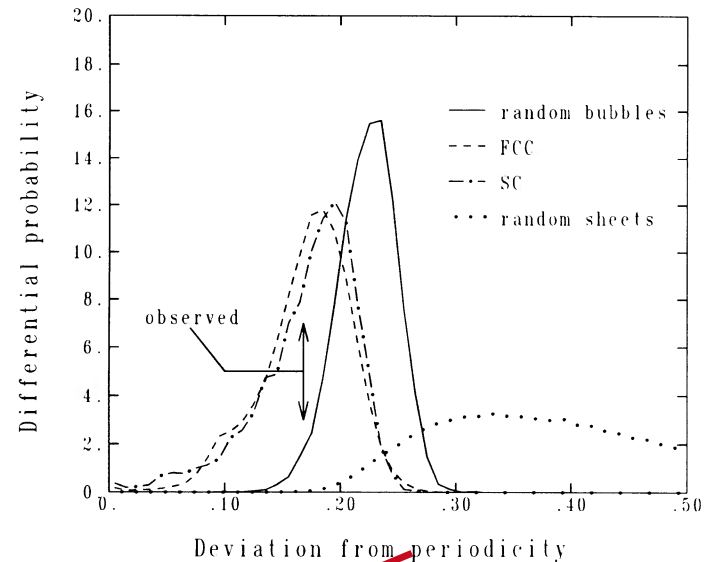
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### ABSTRACT

We investigate the recently observed periodicity of the distribution of galaxies at high redshift by comparing the data with models in which galaxies reside on the surfaces of bubbles or sheets. A statistical analysis of the deviation from periodicity along various lines of sight seems to suggest that the data more closely resemble the regular cellular pattern in which the bubble centers are strongly anticorrelated than a distribution produced by random voids or sheets. We discuss how such a regular structure might arise and suggest some observational tests of this interpretation.

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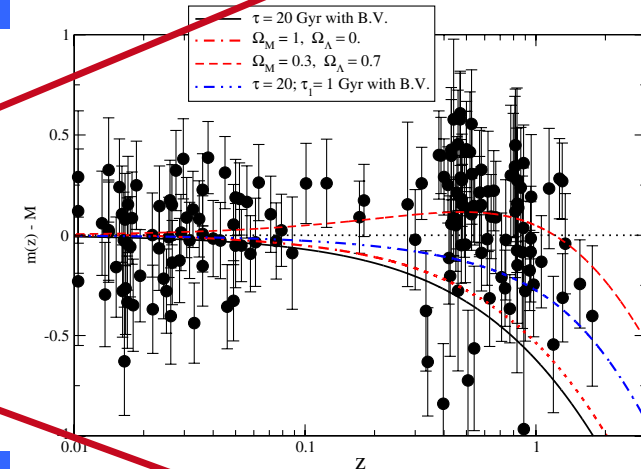
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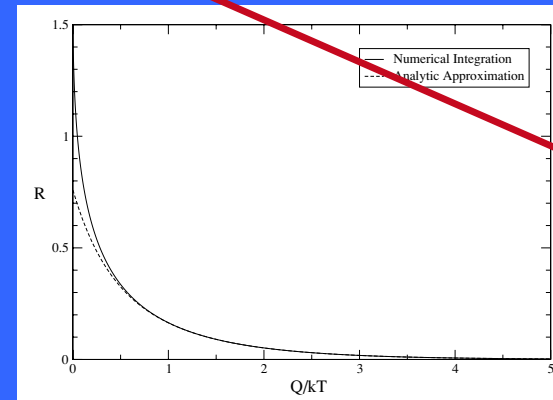
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$$\langle \sigma c \rangle_{\gamma 3} = \frac{\mu c^3}{2\zeta(3)(kT)^3} \frac{g_1 g_2}{g_3(1 + \delta_{12})} \times \int_0^\infty \sigma_{12}(E) \frac{1}{e^{(E+Q)/kT} - 1} E dE.$$

$$\langle \sigma c \rangle_{\gamma 3} = (1 + R) \langle \sigma v \rangle_{12} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{8\zeta(3)} \right) \frac{g_1 g_2}{g_3(1 + \delta_{12})} \left( \frac{\mu c^2}{kT} \right)^{3/2} e^{-Q/kT},$$



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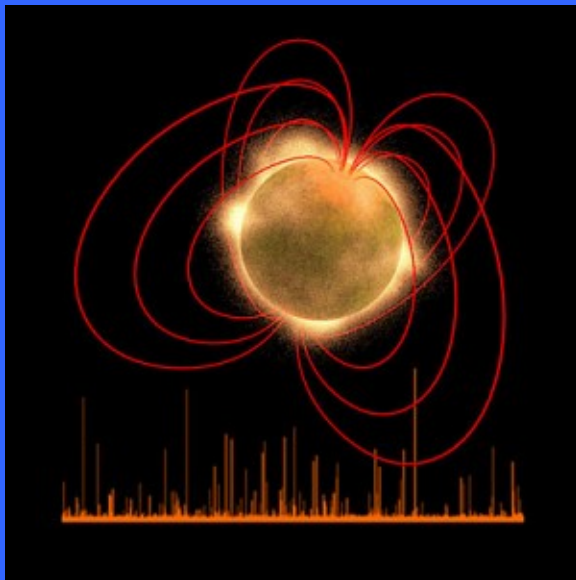
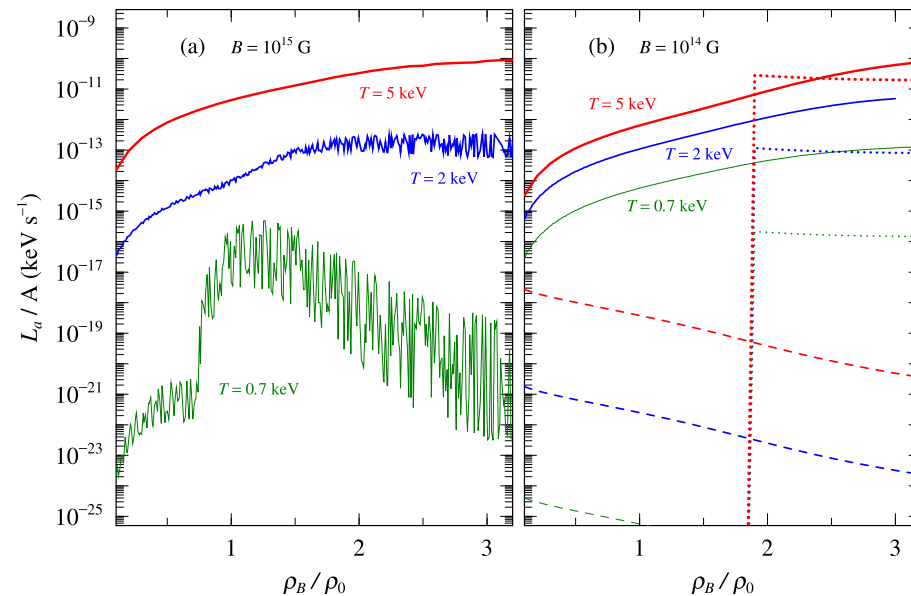


Axion production from Landau quantization in the strong magnetic field of magnetars



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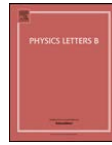
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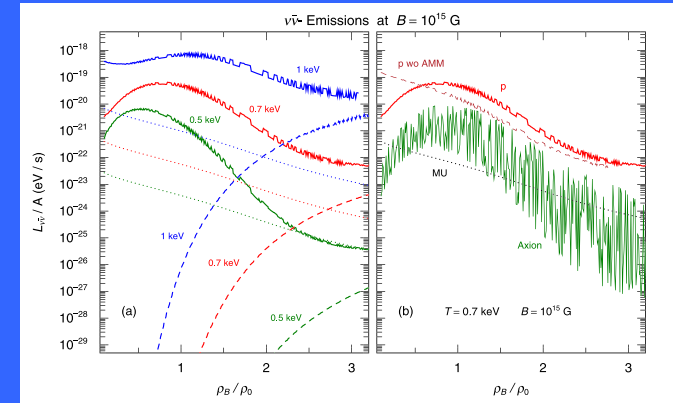
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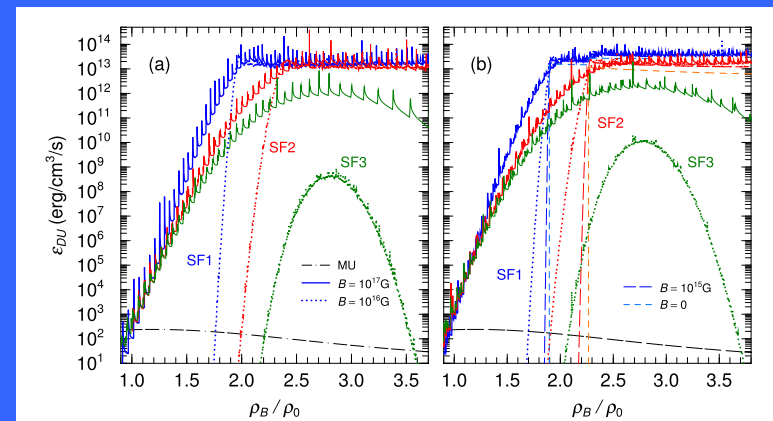
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A relativistic quantum approach to neutrino and antineutrino emission via the direct Urca process in strongly magnetized neutron-star matter

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# Deviations in Beta Decay Spectra in the Modified Urca Process

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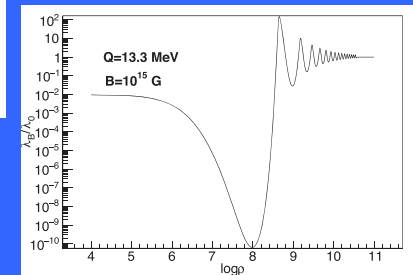
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## Evolution of Urca Pairs in the Crusts of Highly Magnetized Neutron Stars

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# Deviations in Coulomb Screening Potentials

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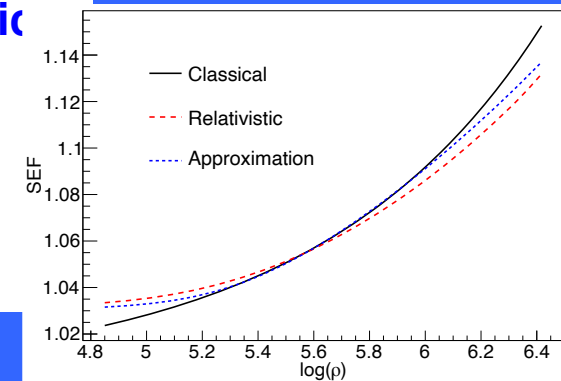
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## Relativistic Coulomb screening in pulsational pair instability supernovae

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- Keep up the search for deviations