

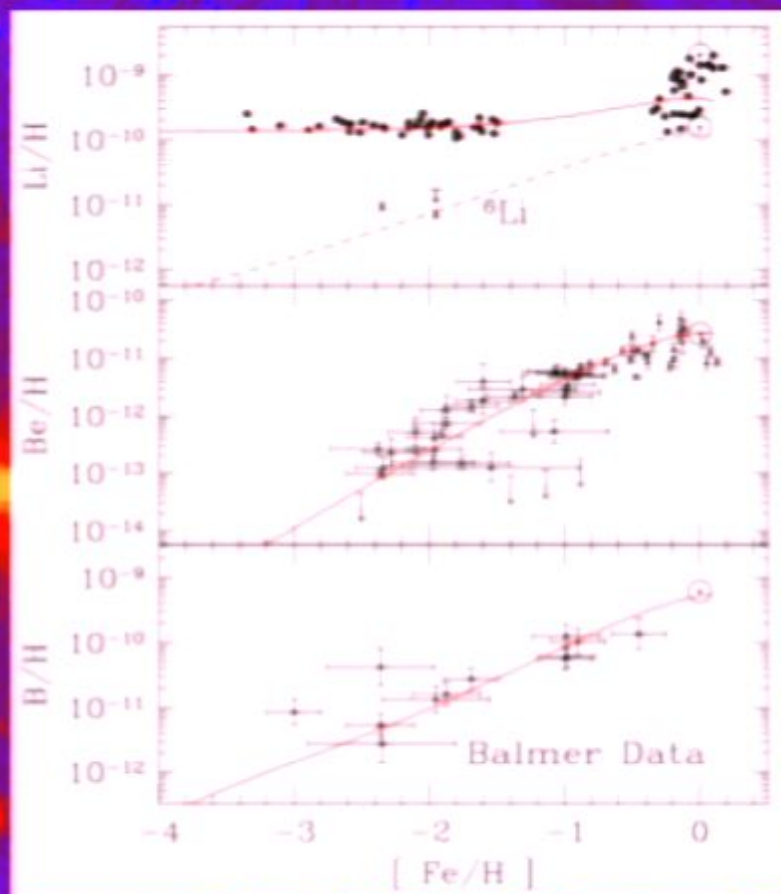
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Abstract:

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 star form = metal increase with time

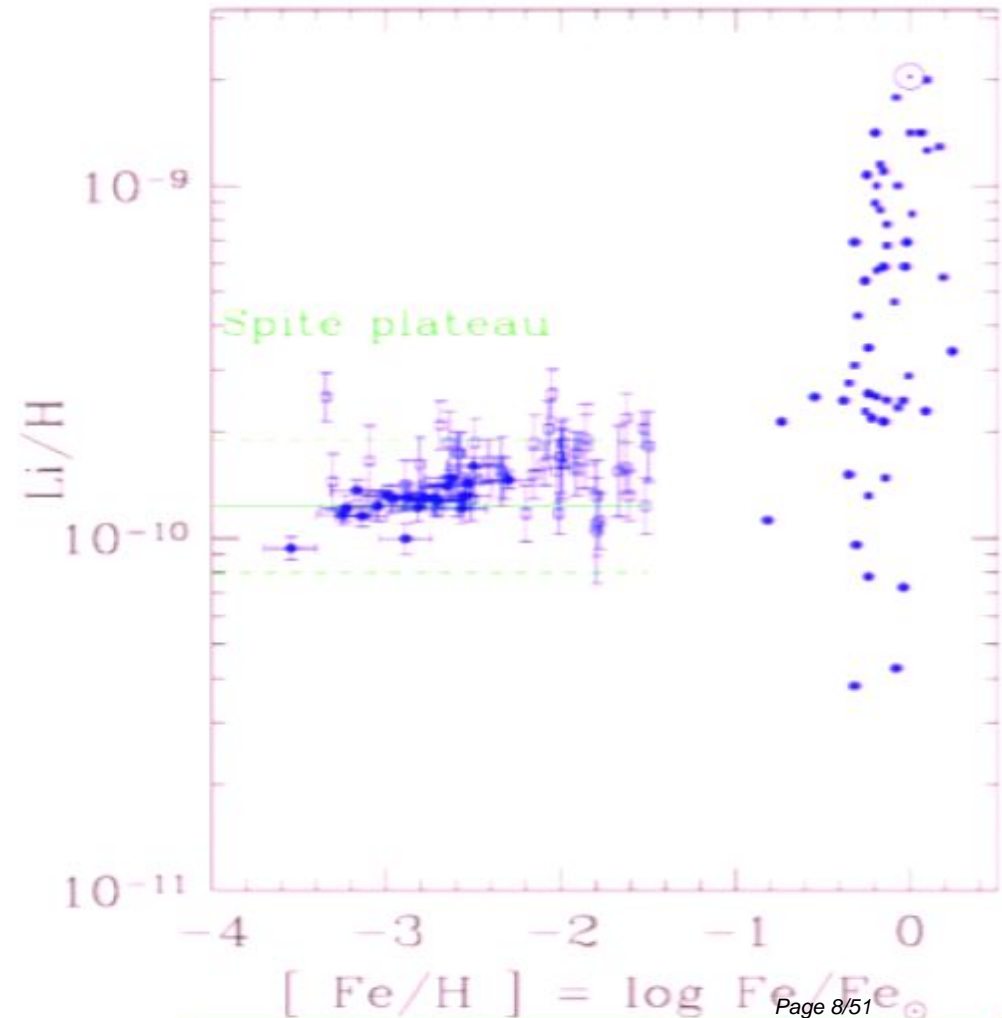
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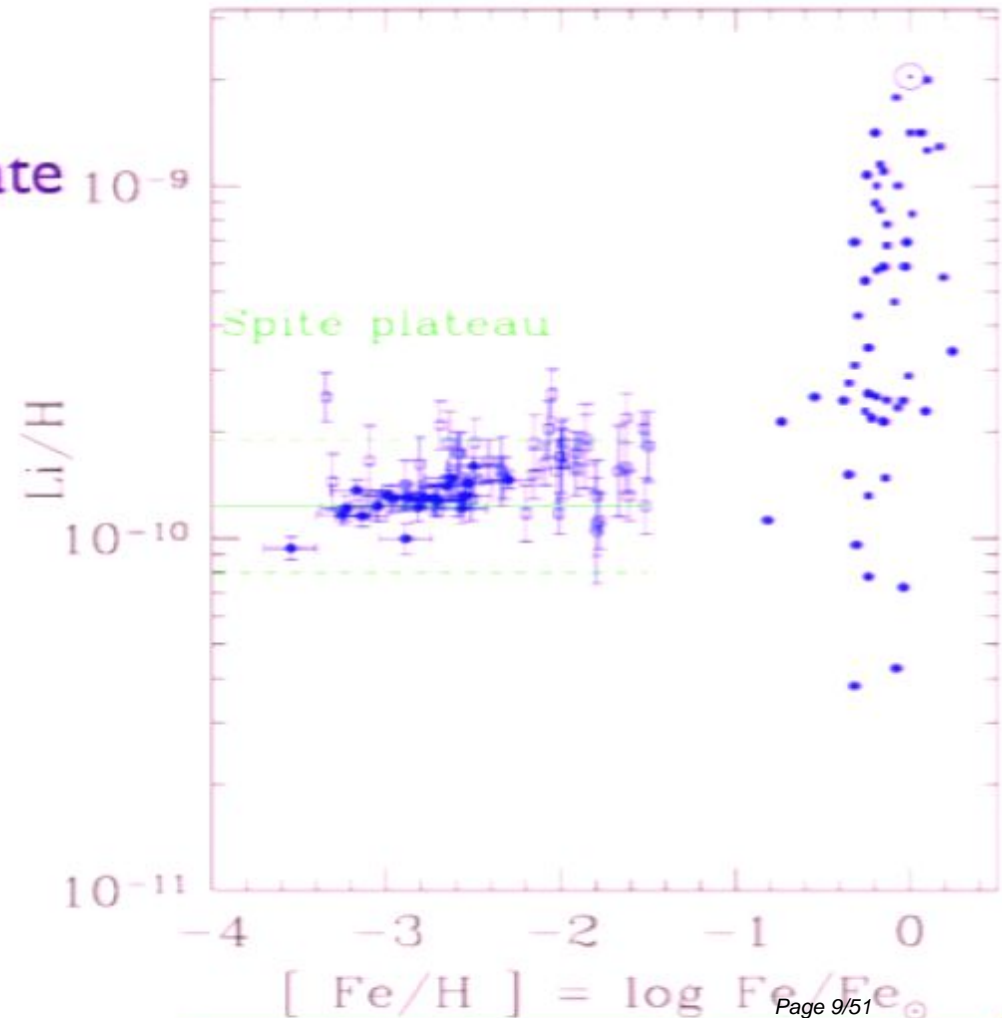


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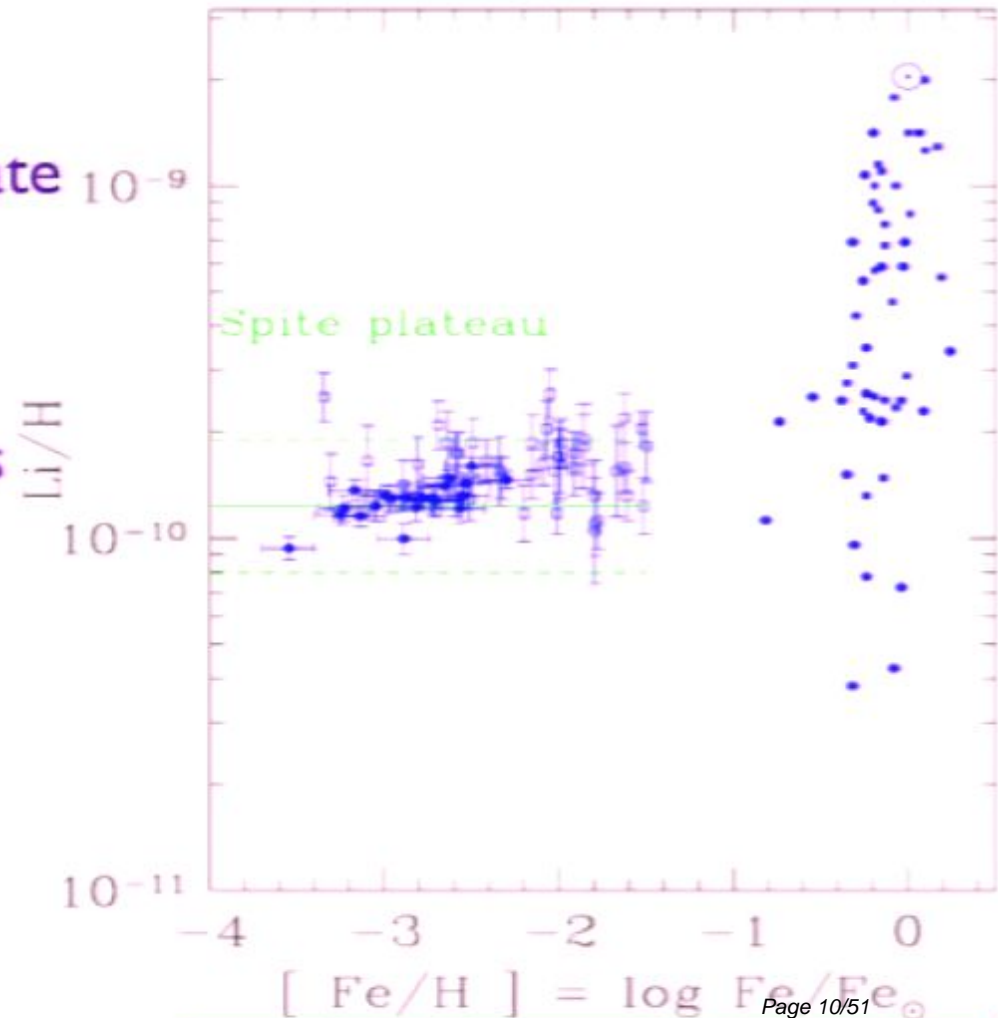
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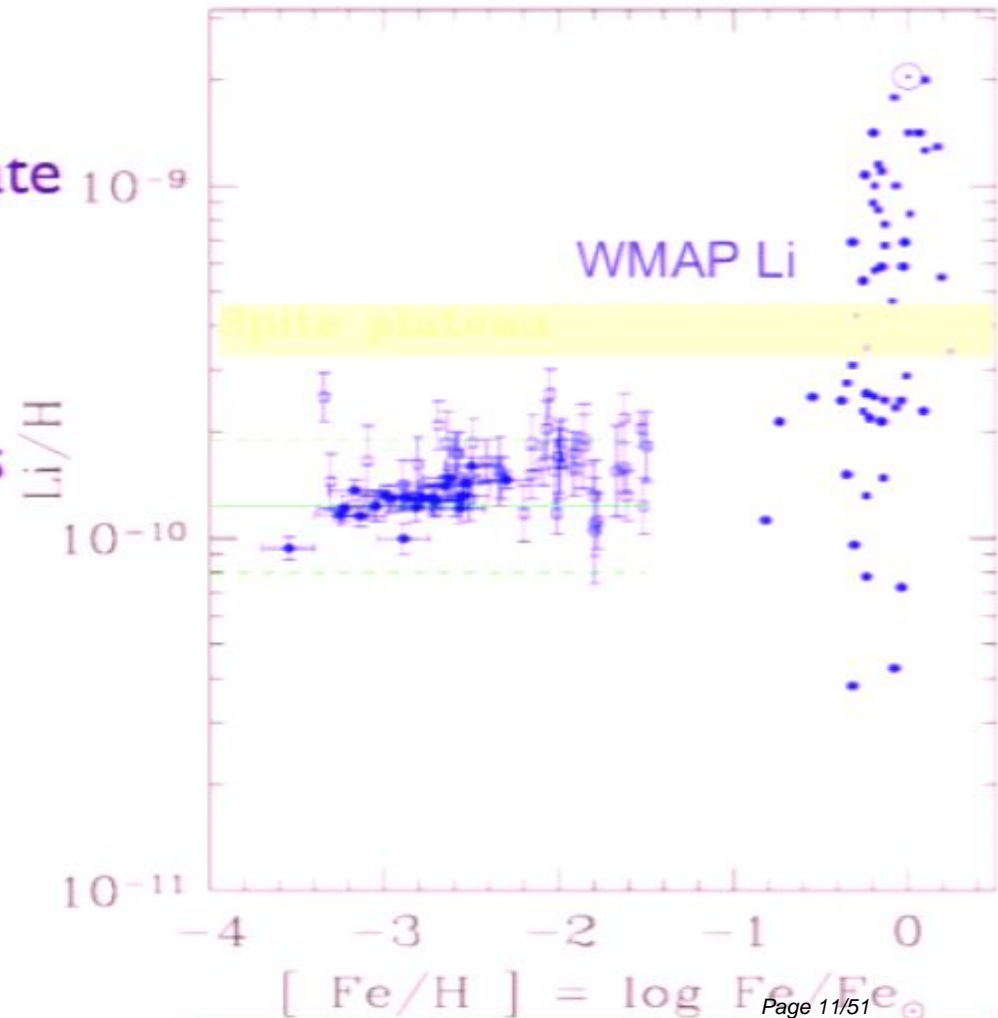
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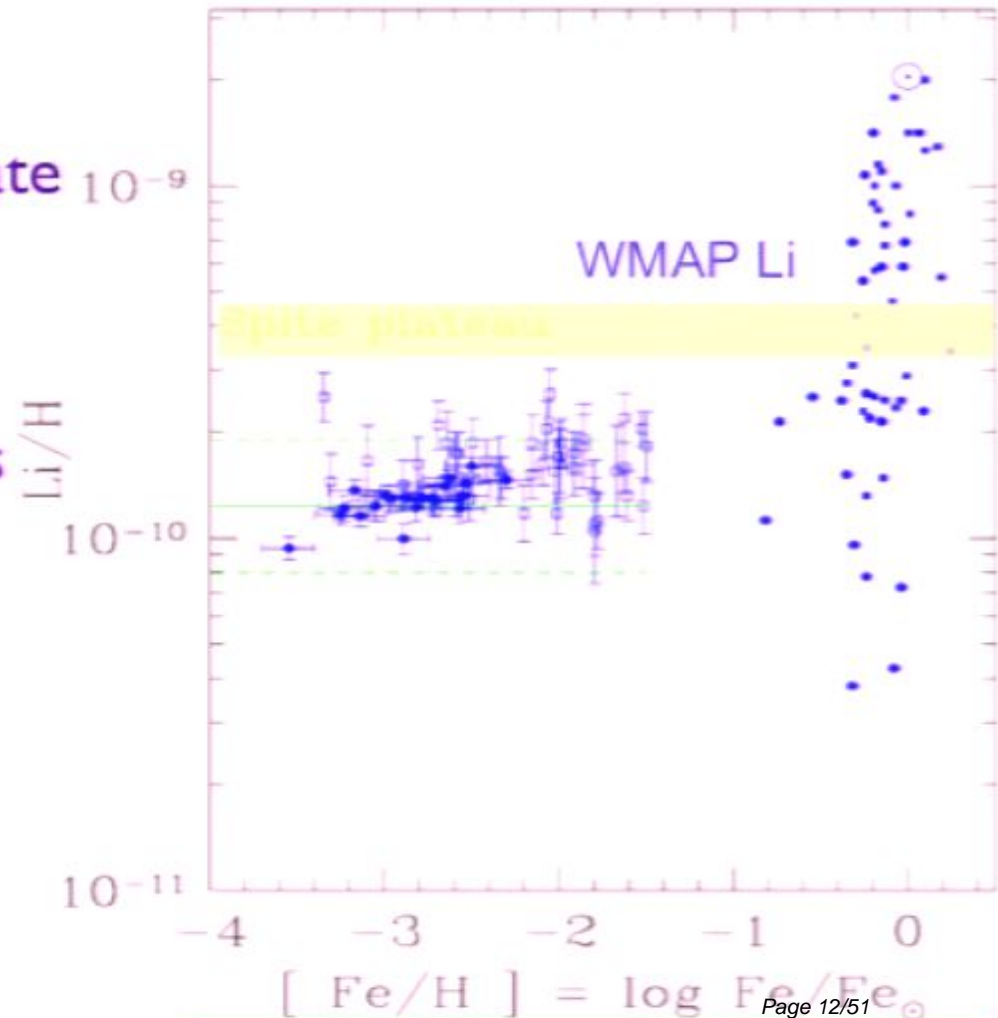
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Lithium Systematic Uncertainties

Observational Systematics

Measure: Li I neutral absorption line(s)

Infer: Li/H

T_{eff} critical: mostly ionized Li II

But: Needed error in T scale ~ 500 K: large!

Astrophysical Systematics

stellar depletion over $\sim 10^{10}$ yr

if Li burned: correct Li_p **upward!**

High S/N Data

Ryan, Norris, & Beers 1999; Asplund et al 2006

1. Li plateau "razor-thin" -- depletion negligible/fine tuned

2. small but real **rise** in Li vs Fe \Rightarrow Li vs t

corrects Li_p **downward!**

evidence for early Galactic Li production: need to identify mechanism!

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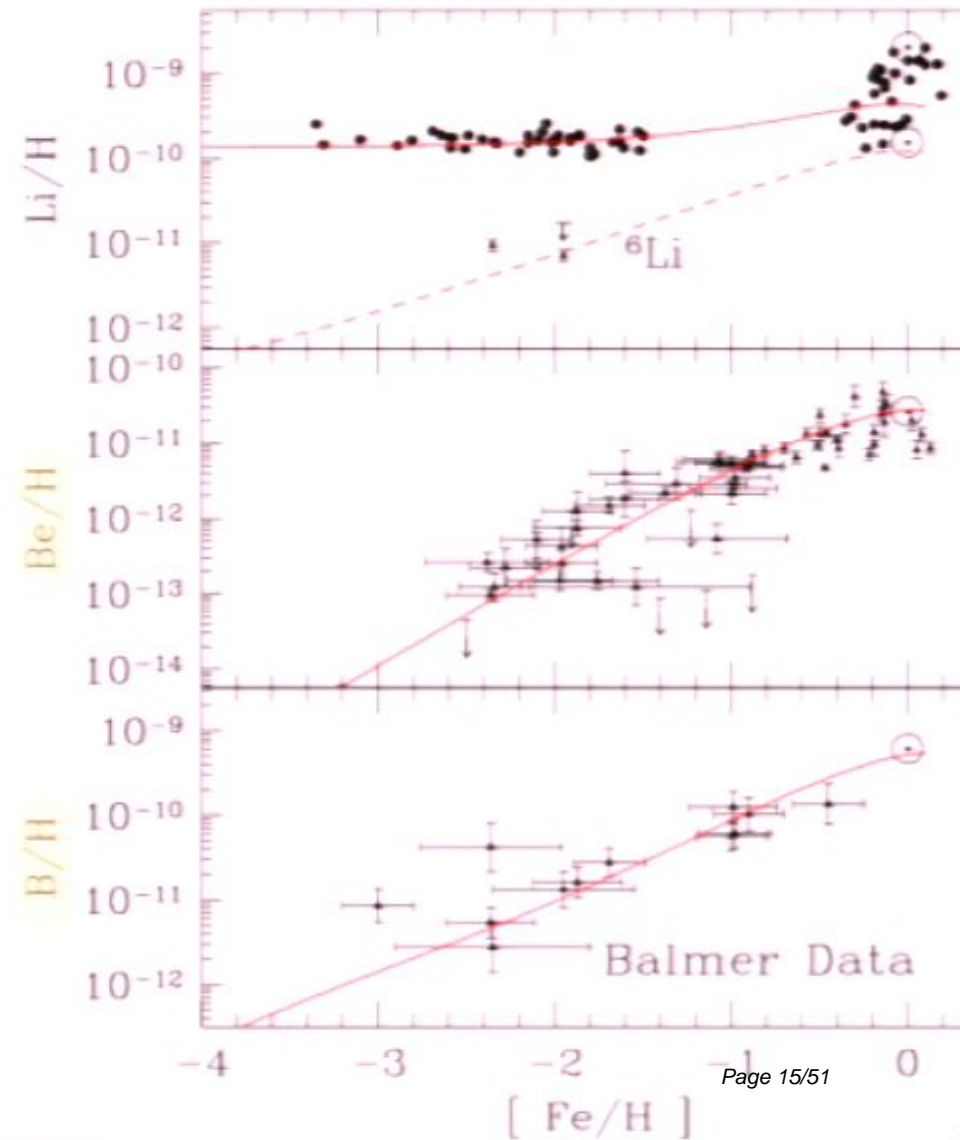
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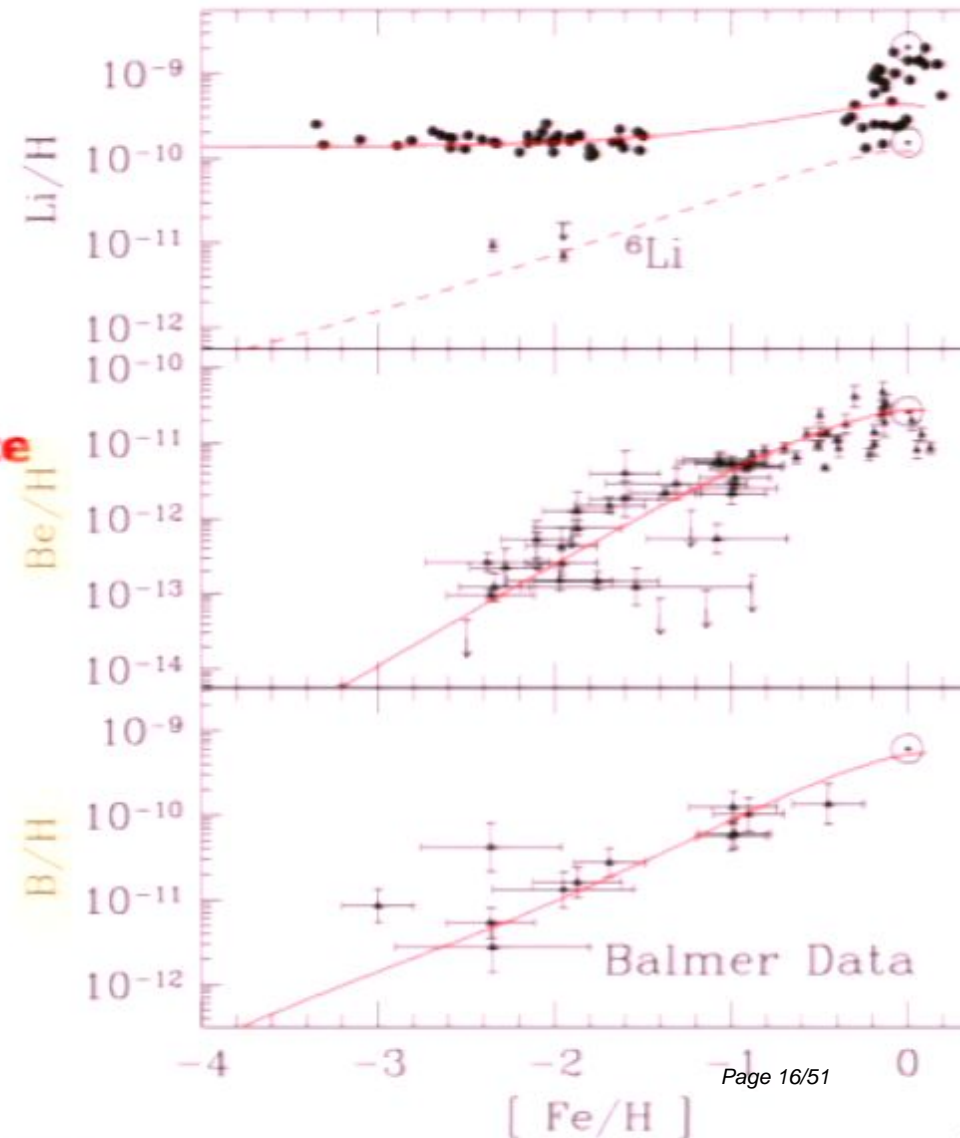
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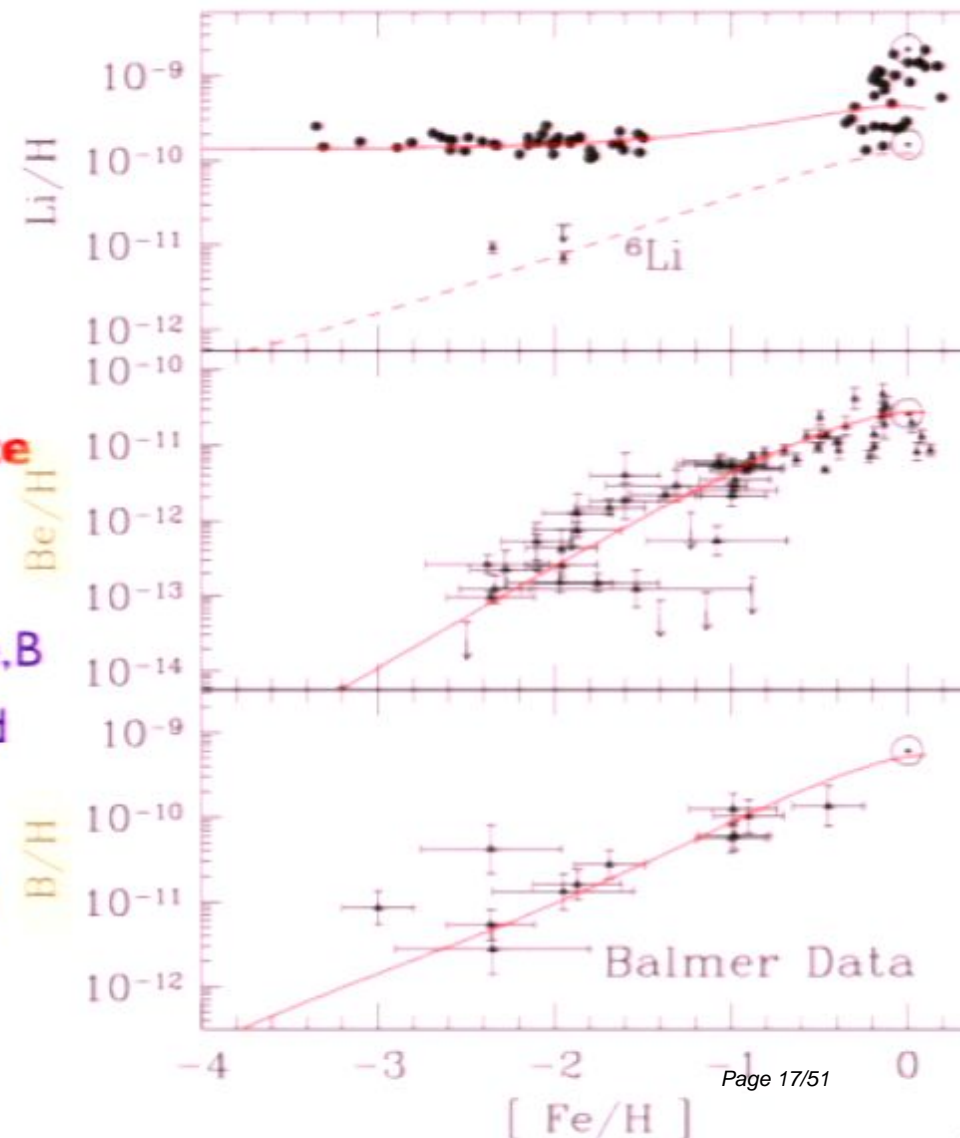
✓ no clear evidence for plateaus

➔ no clear observed evidence for primordial Be, B

➔ upper limits on primordial: ~ lowest observed abundance

lack of plateau consistent with SBBN

Be, B \ll observable levels



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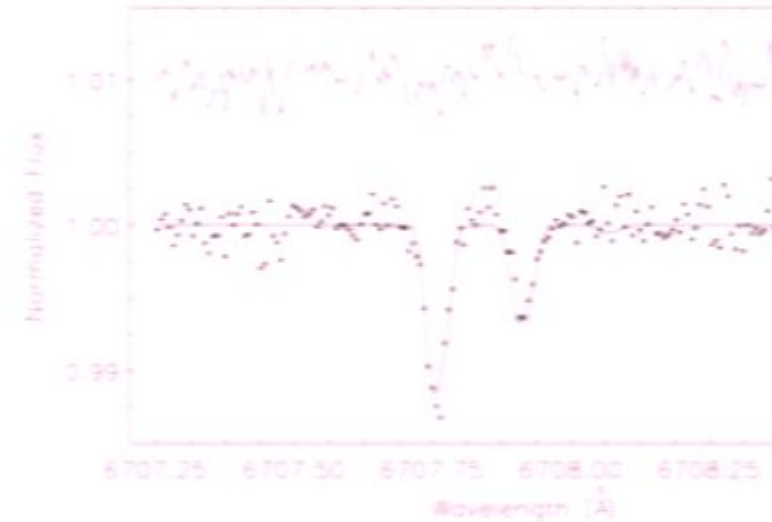
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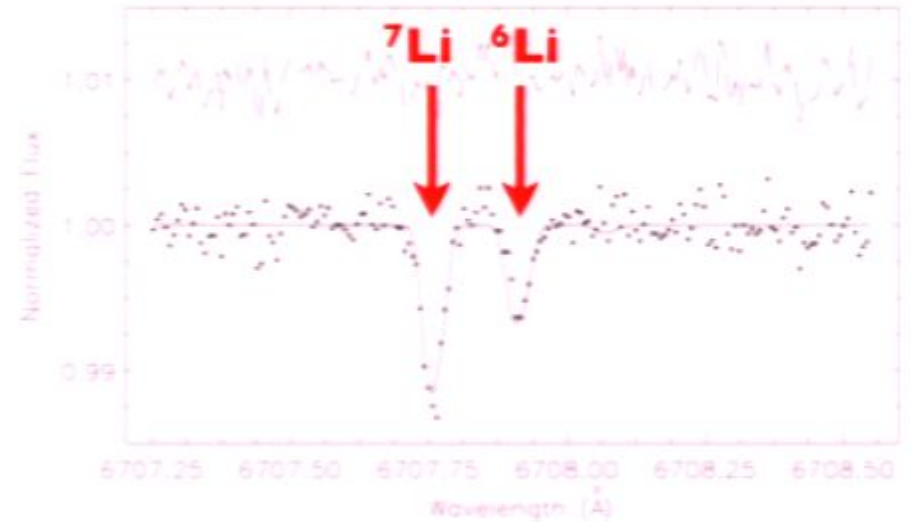
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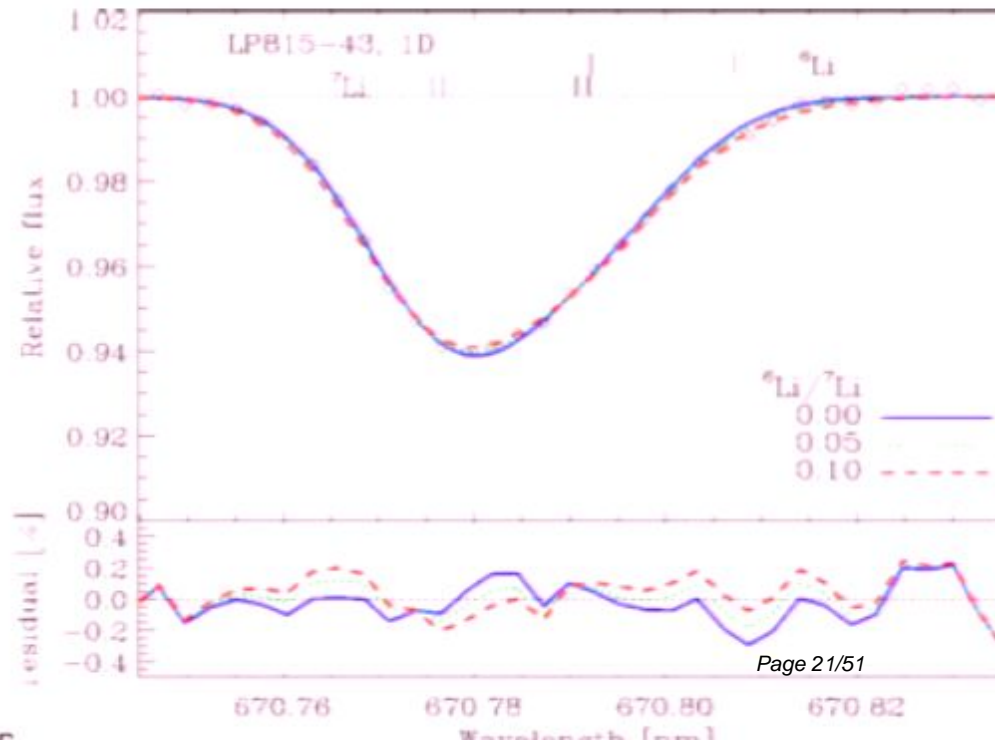
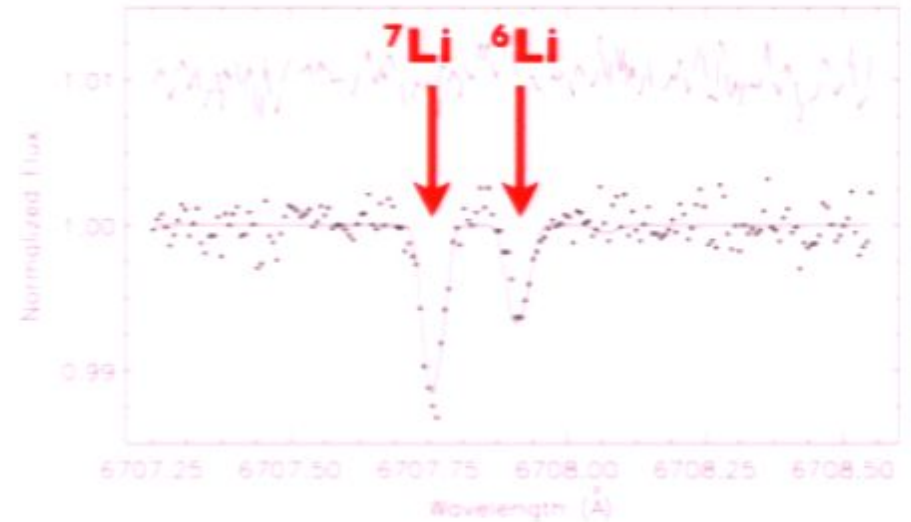
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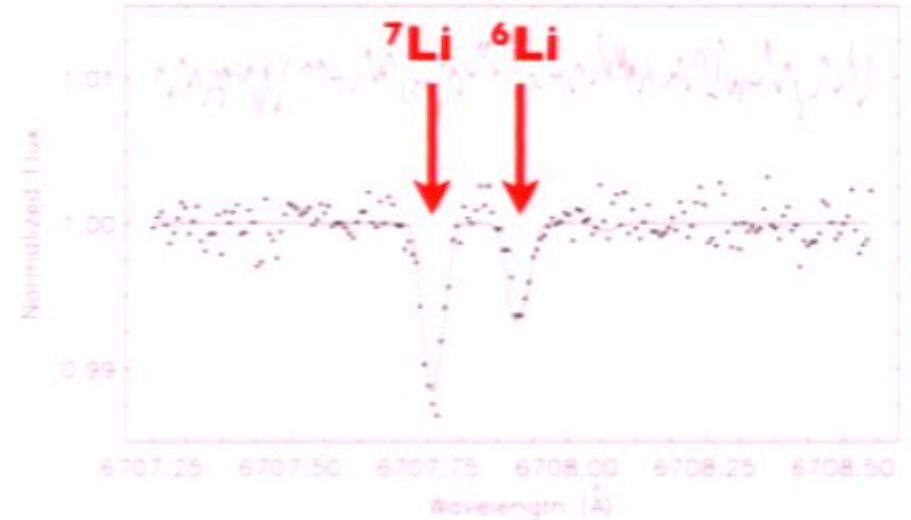
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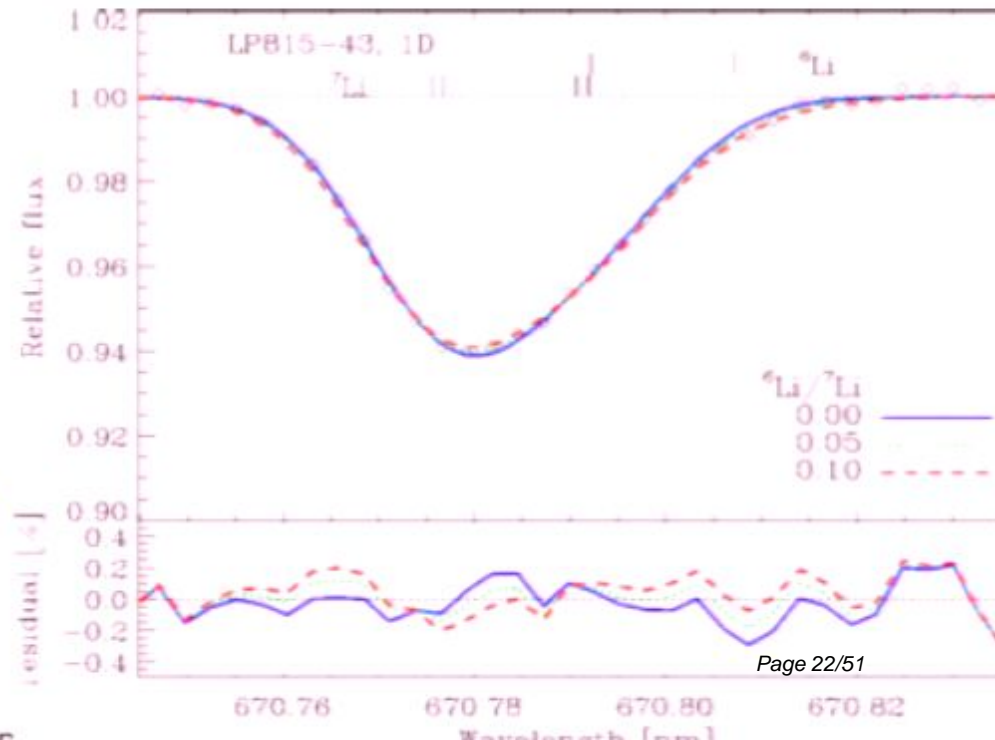
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Strategy

measure line profile very accurately

Smith Lambert Nissen; Asplund et al

lineshape encodes isotopic ratio



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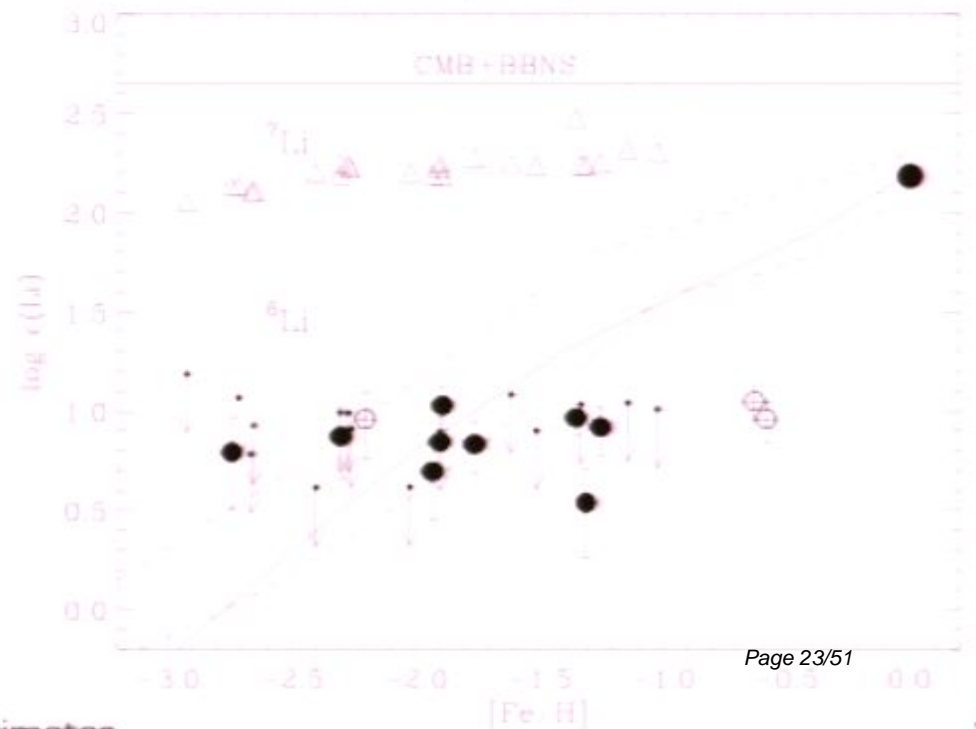
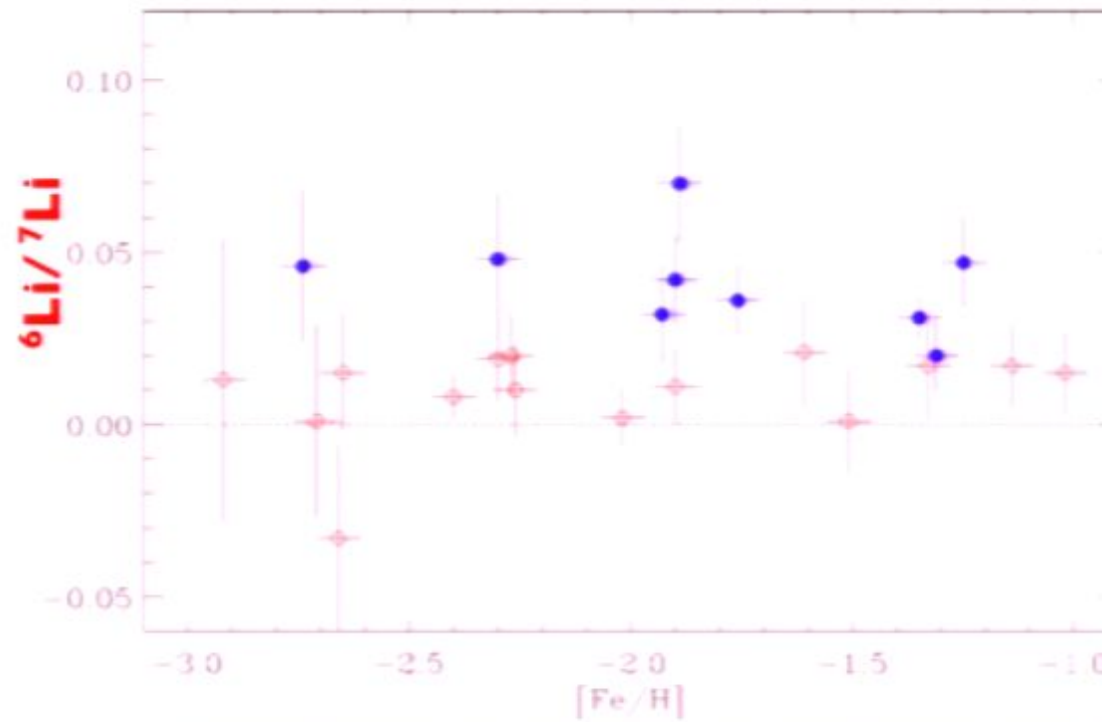
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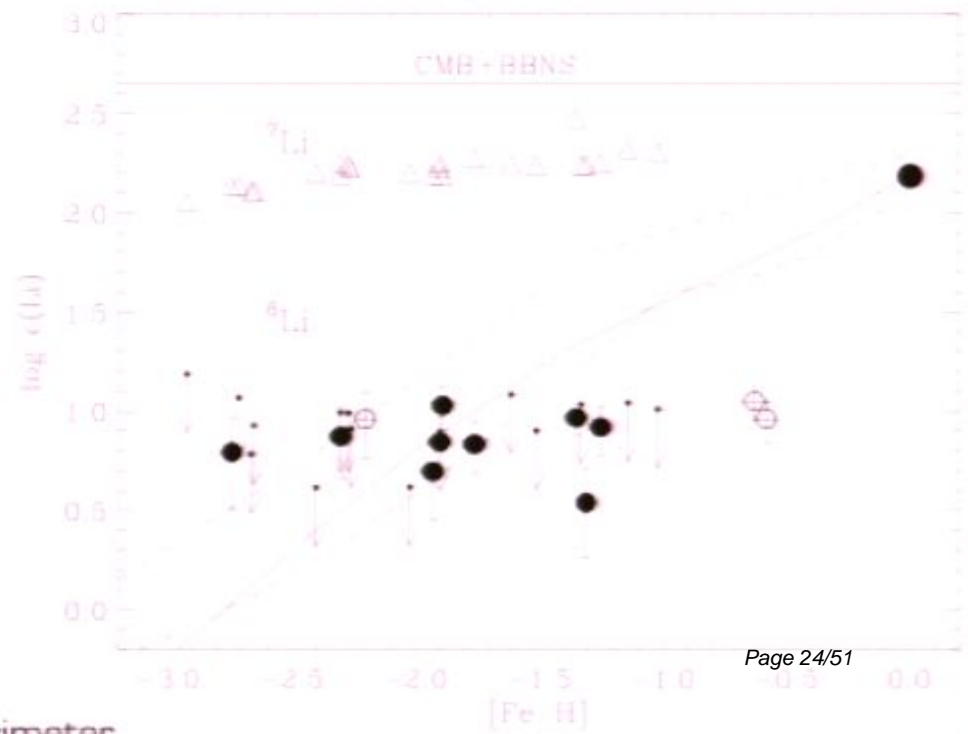
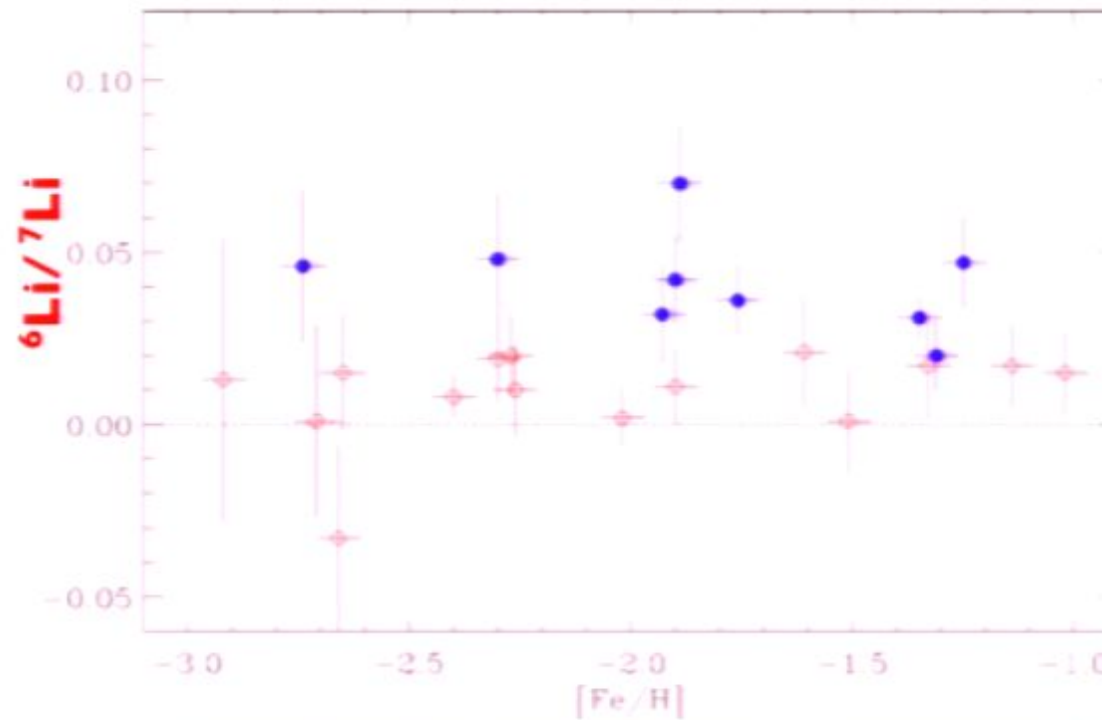
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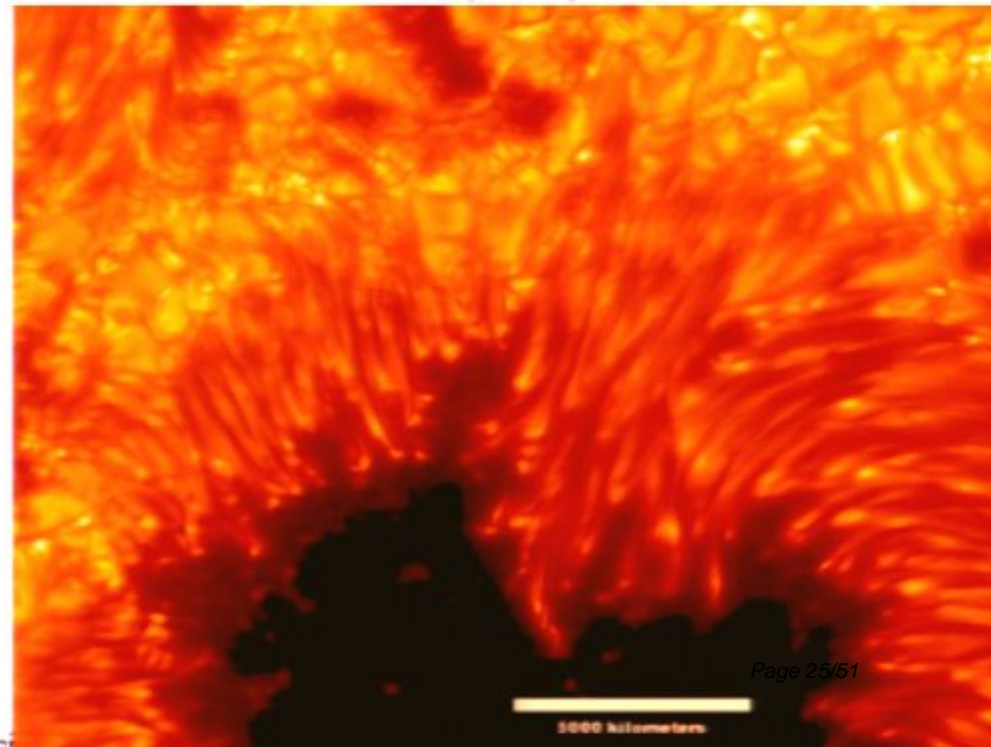
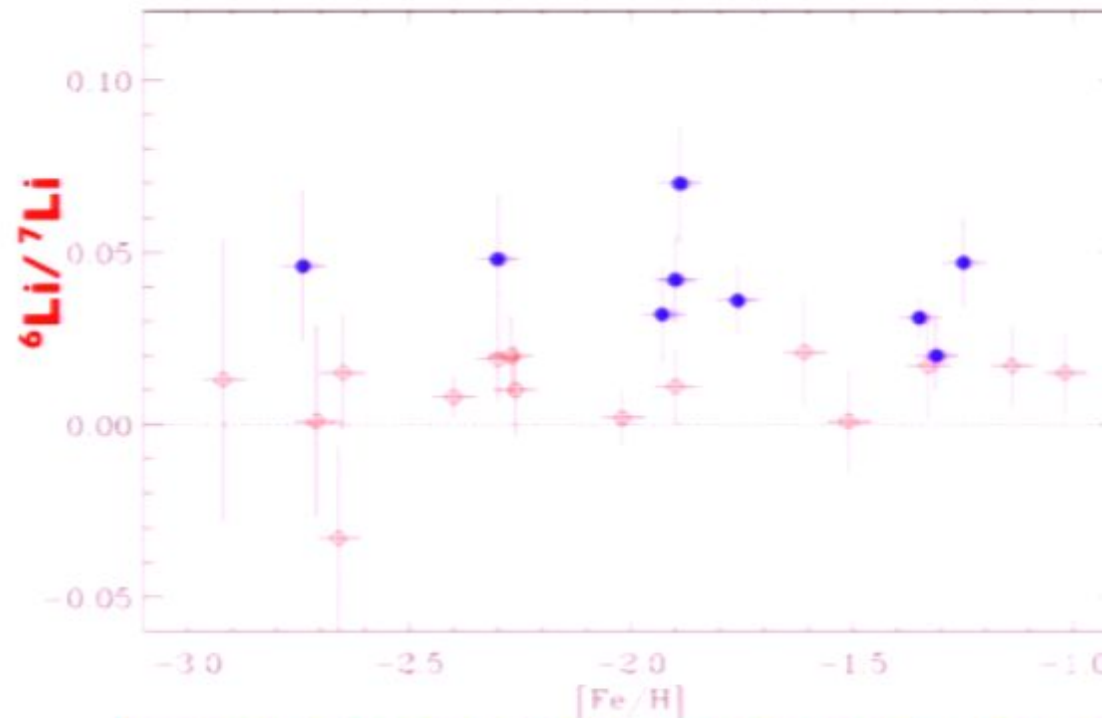
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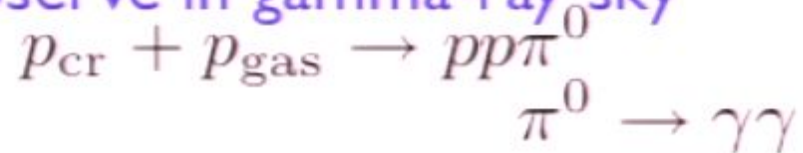
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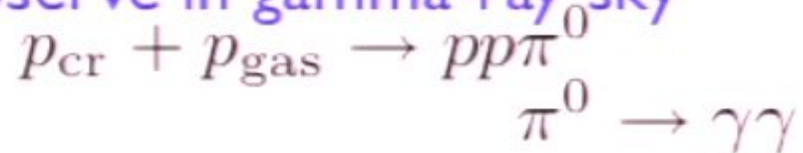
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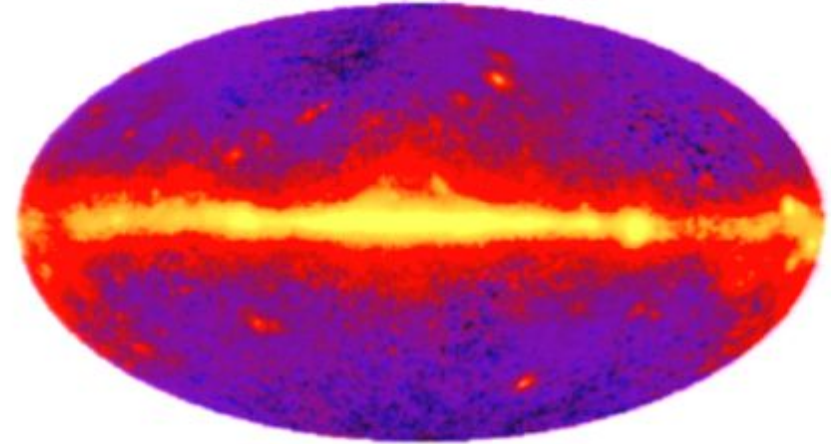
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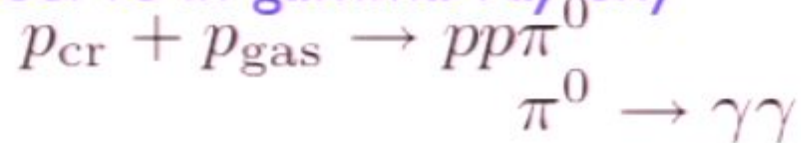
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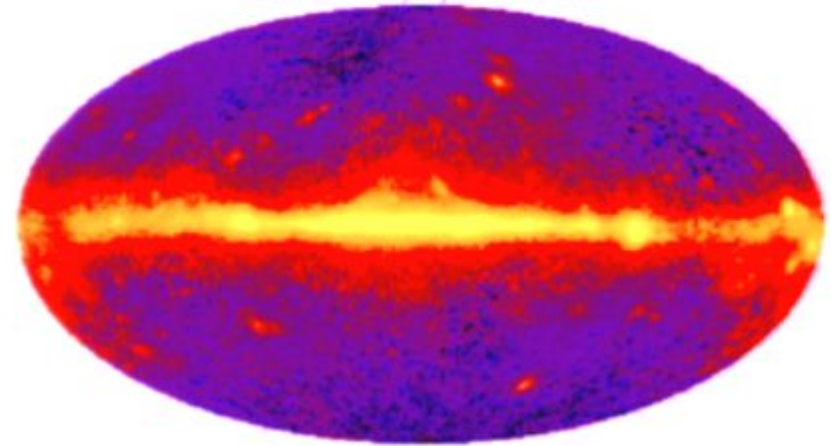
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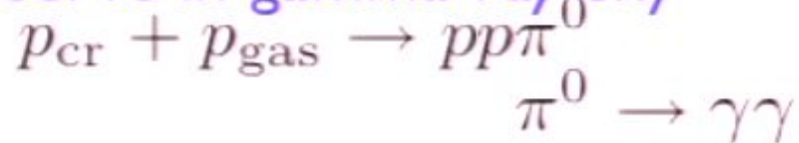
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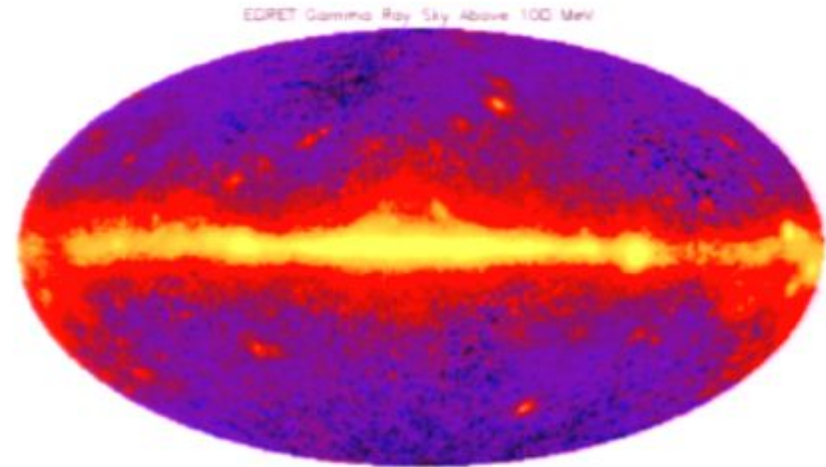
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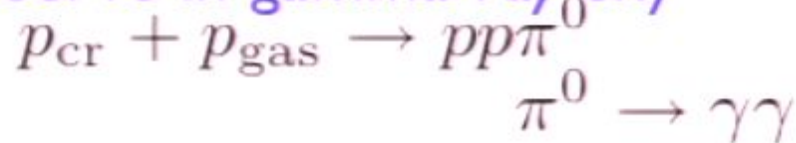
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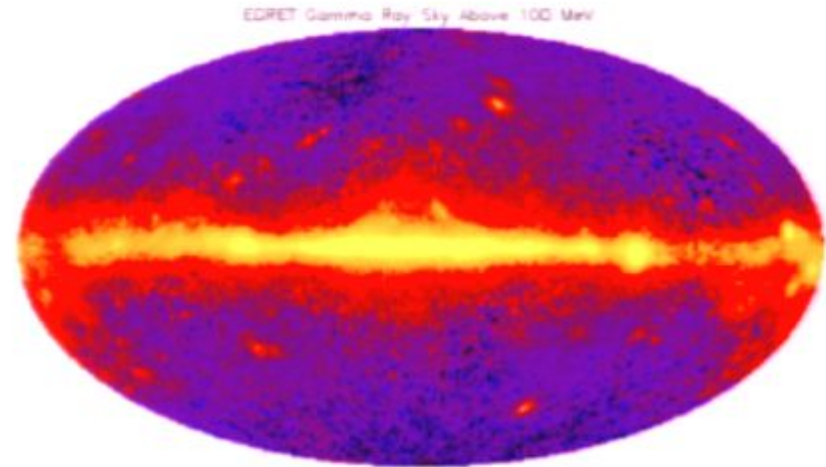
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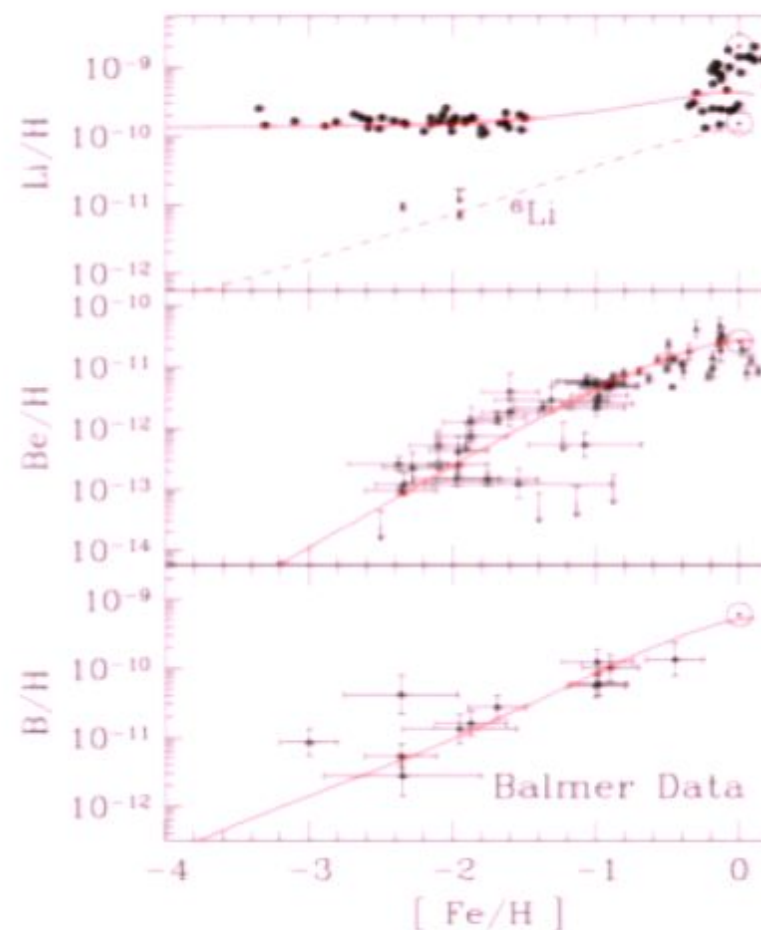
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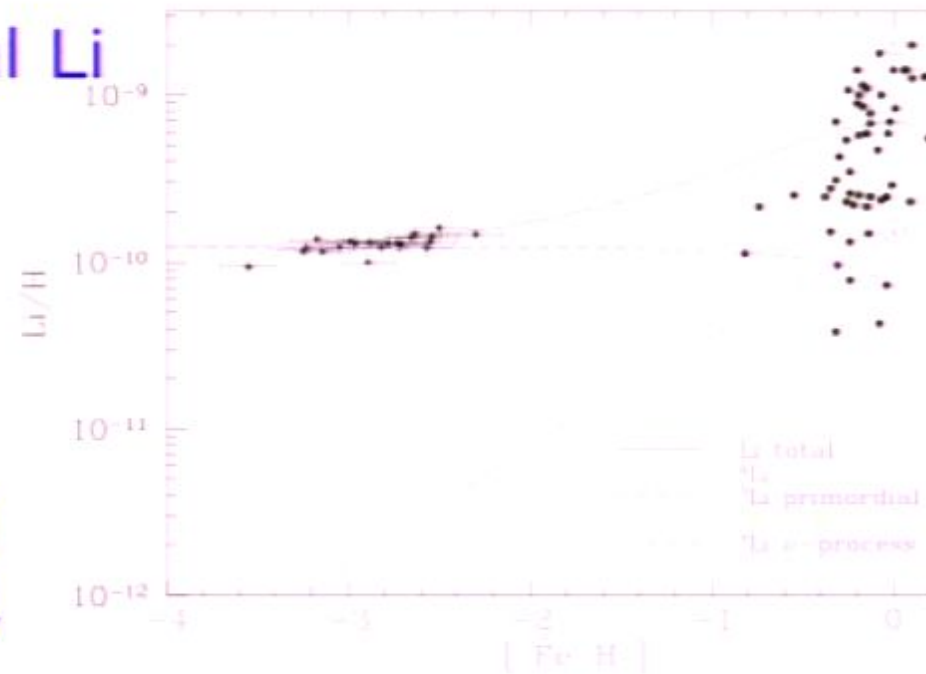
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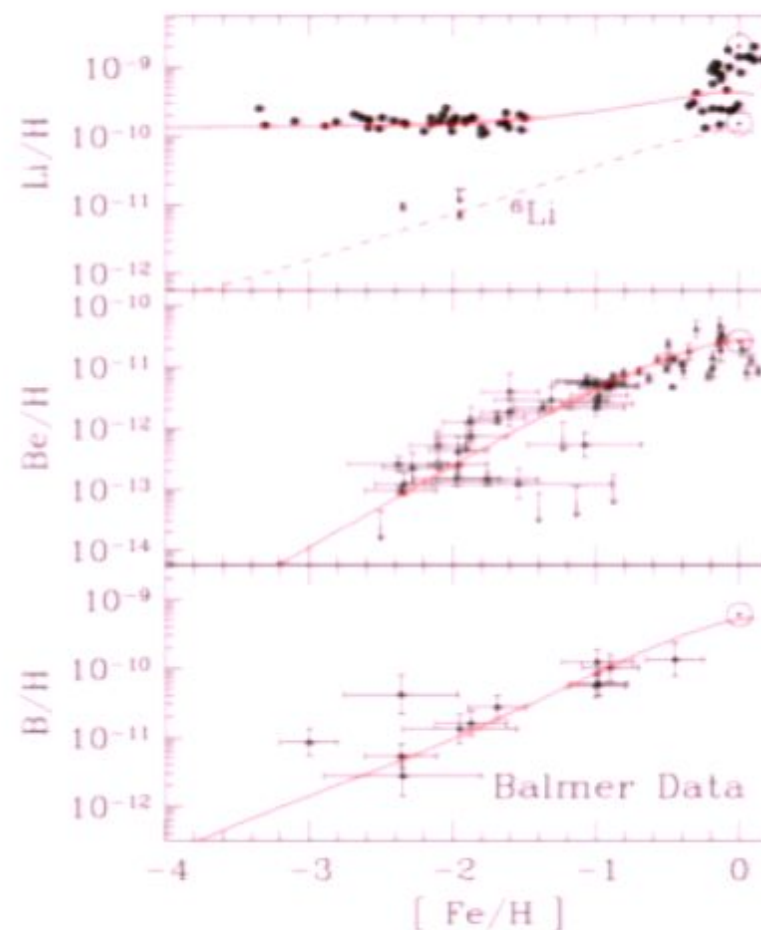
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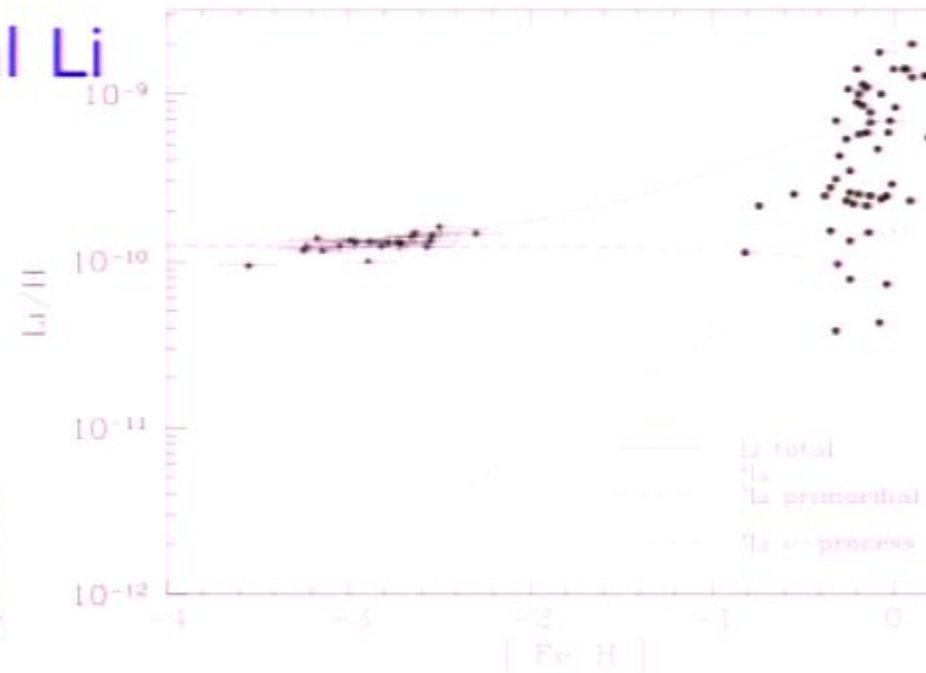
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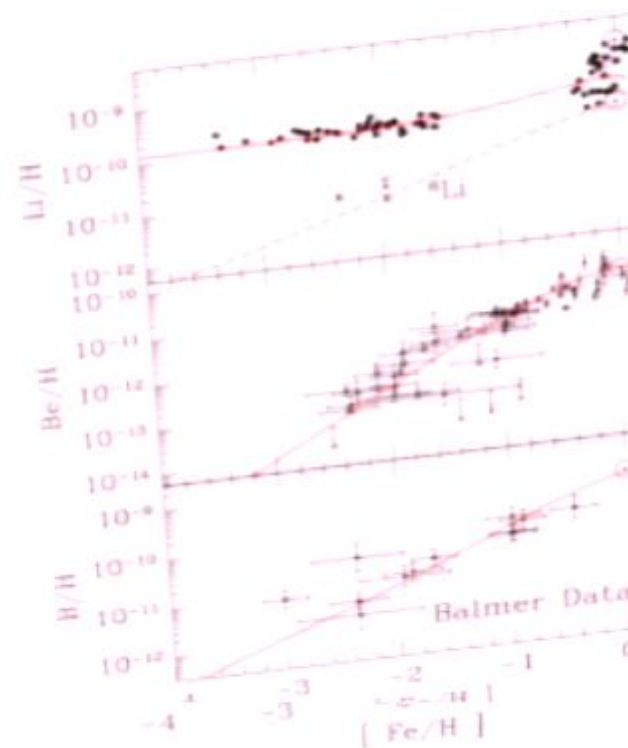
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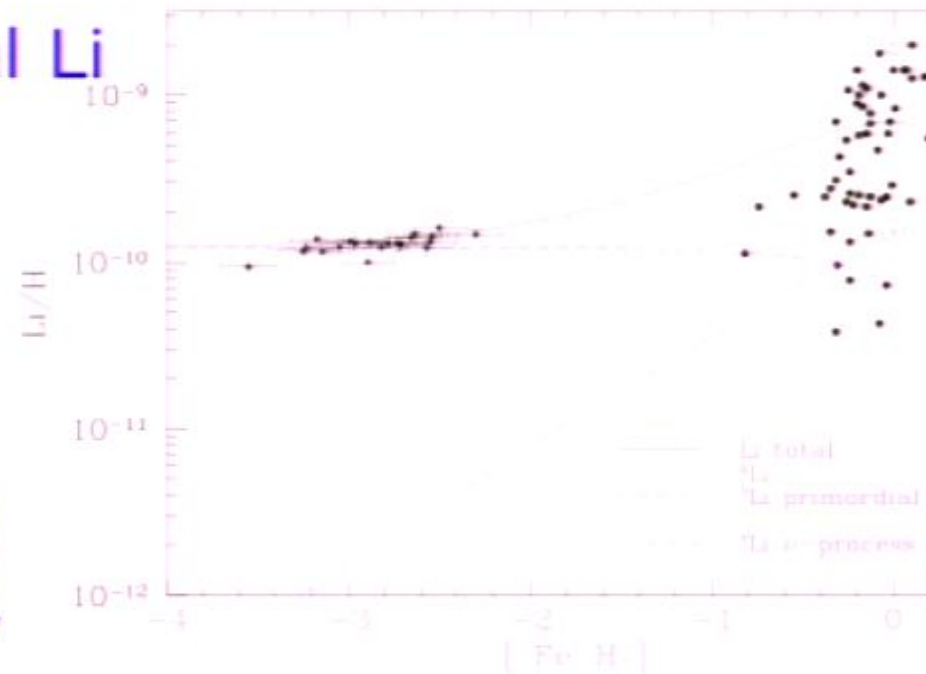
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DM potentials drive baryon flows
If flow speed > sound speed: **shocks**

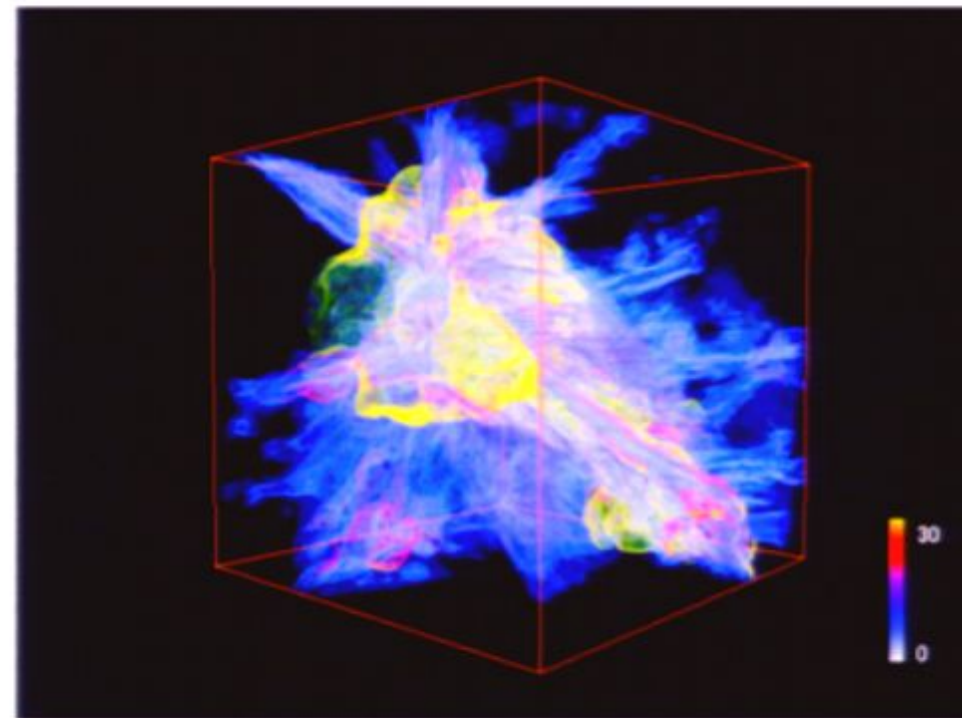
Simulations: Miniati, Jones, Ryu, Kang

- Structure formation shocks ubiquitous
- enclose cosmic web
- complex geometry
- range of Mach numbers

Analytic Approach: Nath & Silk; Blasi & Gabici;
Furlanetto & Loeb; Pavlidou & BDF

Classify by *physical origin*

- **Gravitational attraction**
accretion
mergers
- **Void expansion**
filaments



Ryu et al 2003
Shock surfaces, Mach colors
($25 h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$)³ simulation

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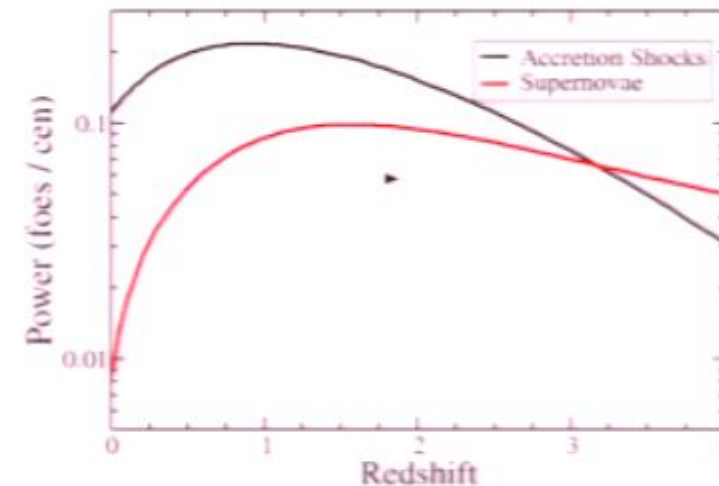
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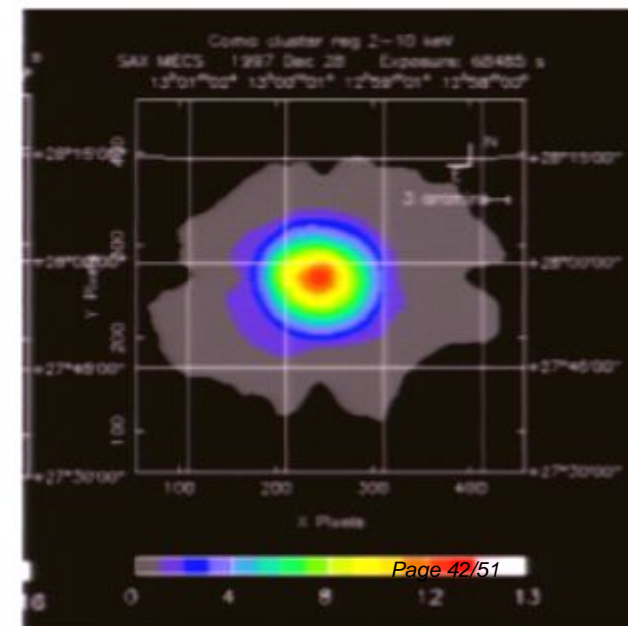
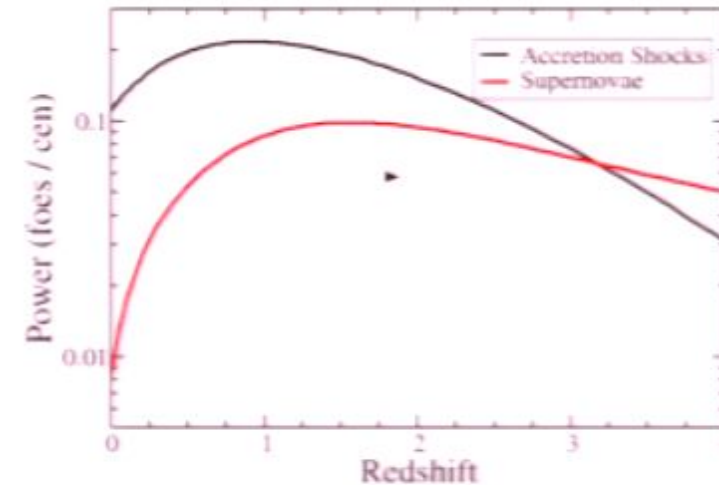
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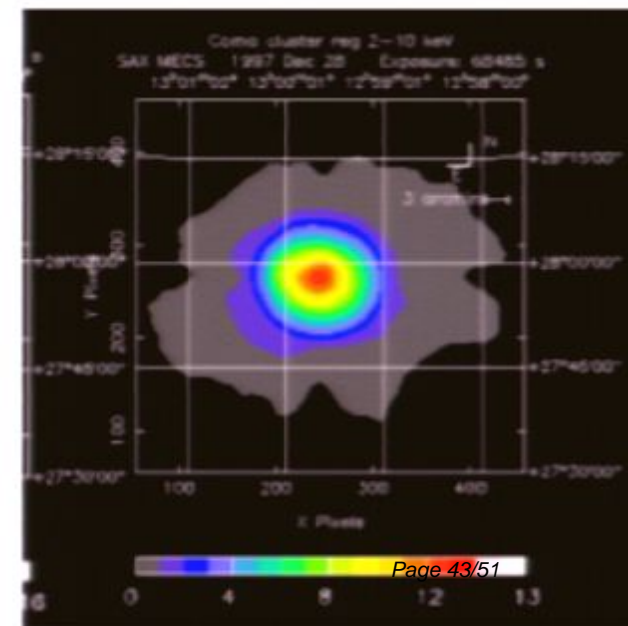
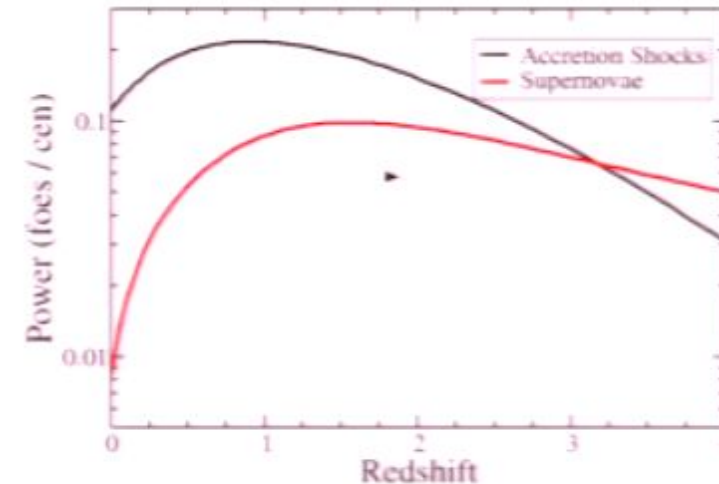
Structure Formation CR Nuke

Primordial beam, targets:

- ✓ produce ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^7\text{Li}$ *only*,
- ✓ no Be & B
- ✓ no correlation with metals

Plateau candidate!

But how disentangle primordial Li?



Paleolithography: Probing Cosmic-Ray Pre-History

Prodanovic & BDF



Lithium fusion synthesis $\alpha\alpha \rightarrow {}^6\text{Li} + \dots$

inevitably produces hadronic gammas $p_p \rightarrow \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Observables

★ **gammas**: measure mean CR fluence across universe

★ **lithium abundance**: measures local CR fluence

$$\frac{\text{Li}}{\gamma} \sim \frac{\int \Phi_{\text{CR}}(\text{local}) dt}{\int \Phi_{\text{CR}}(\gamma\text{path}) dt}$$

★ **ratio** well-determined: fixed by cross sections

Complementary: use one to probe the other

Cosmic gamma-ray background constrains

pre-Galactic Li made by CRs from structures, Pop III stars Rollinde

Could Lithium Be SUSY-licious?

If

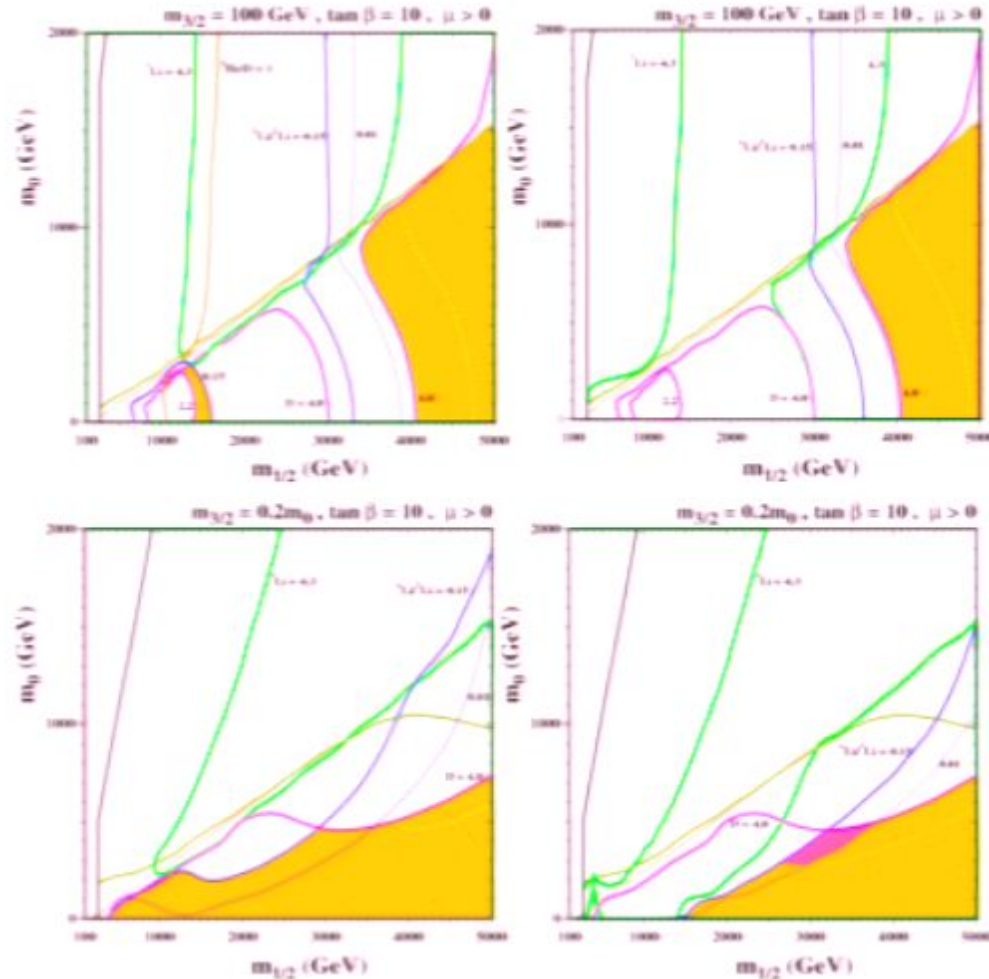
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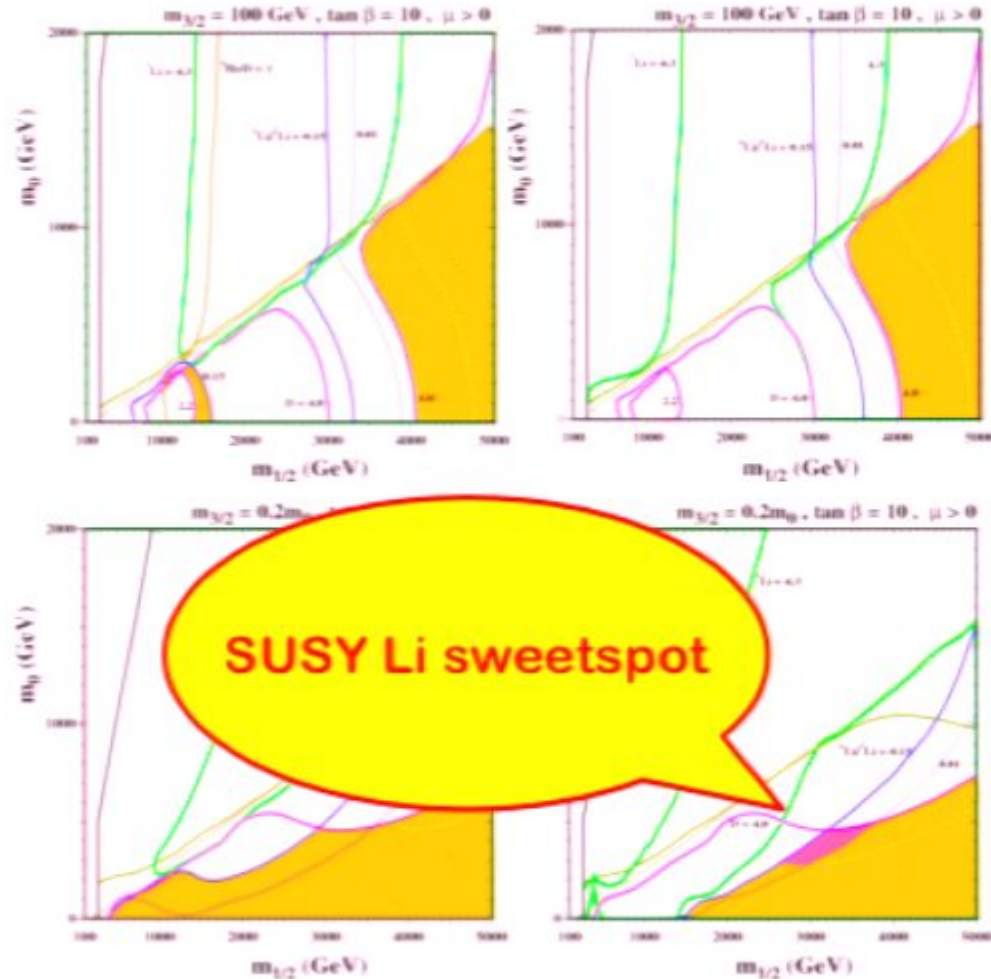
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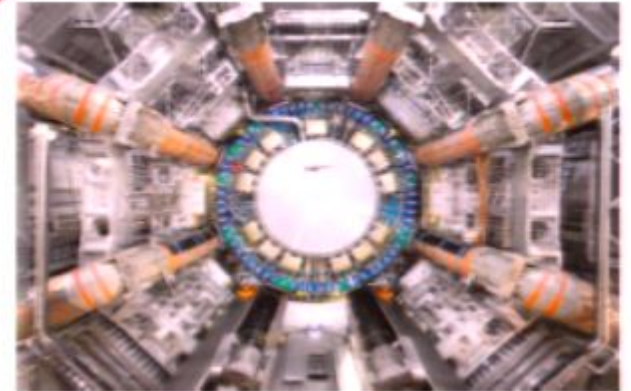
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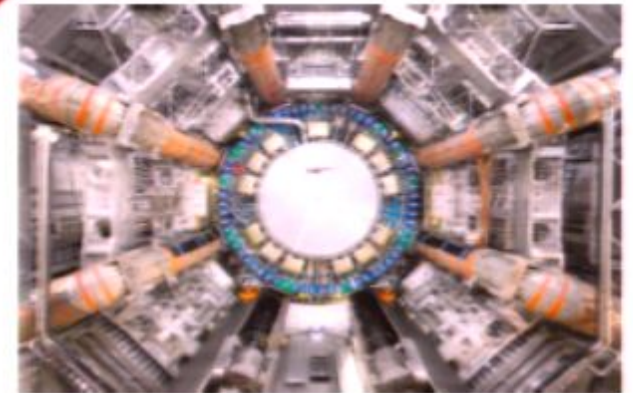
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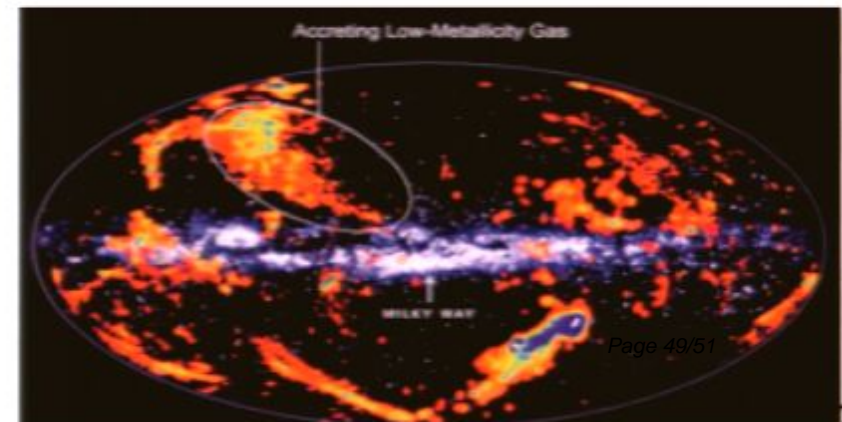
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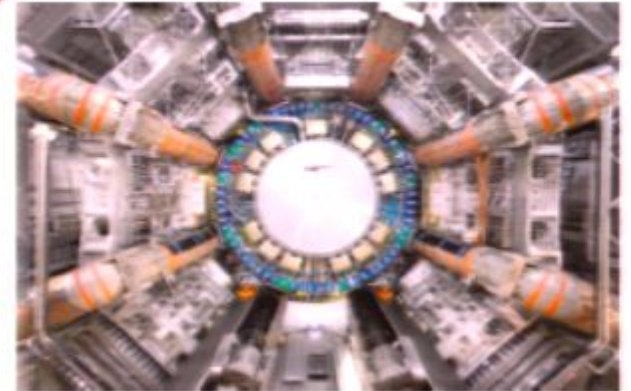
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