



Extending Dark Matter Search down to Sub-GeV Mass Range

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1) Current status of dark matter search

2) **Cosmic ray boosted DM & diurnal modulation**

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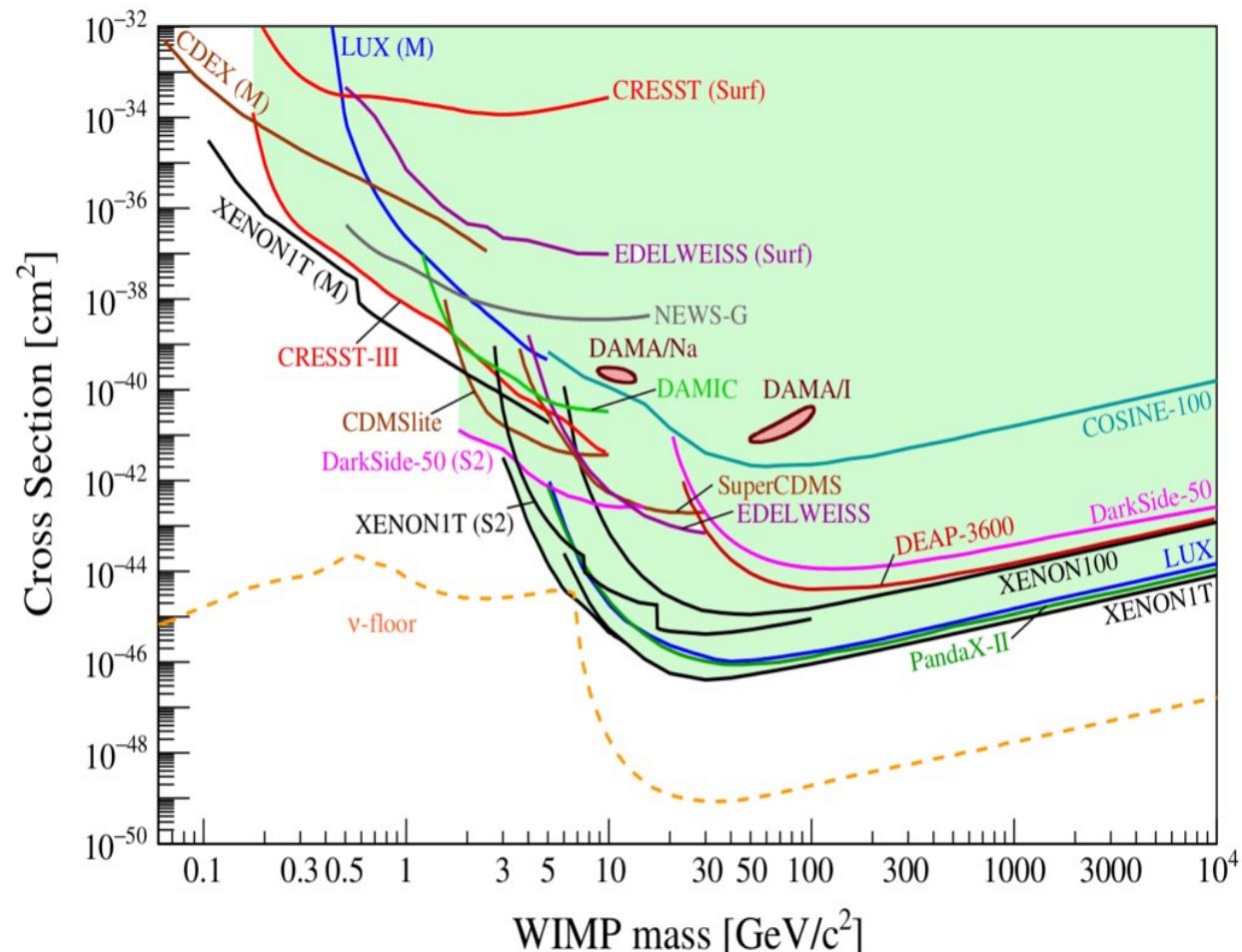
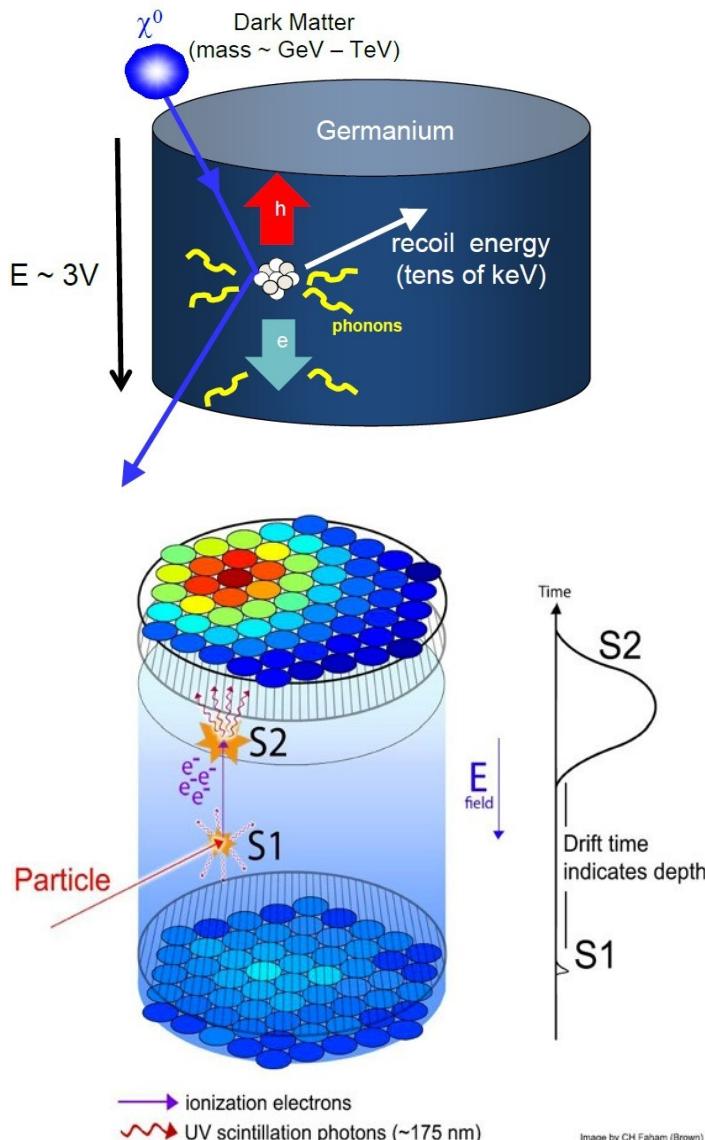
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3) **Fermionic DM Absorption**

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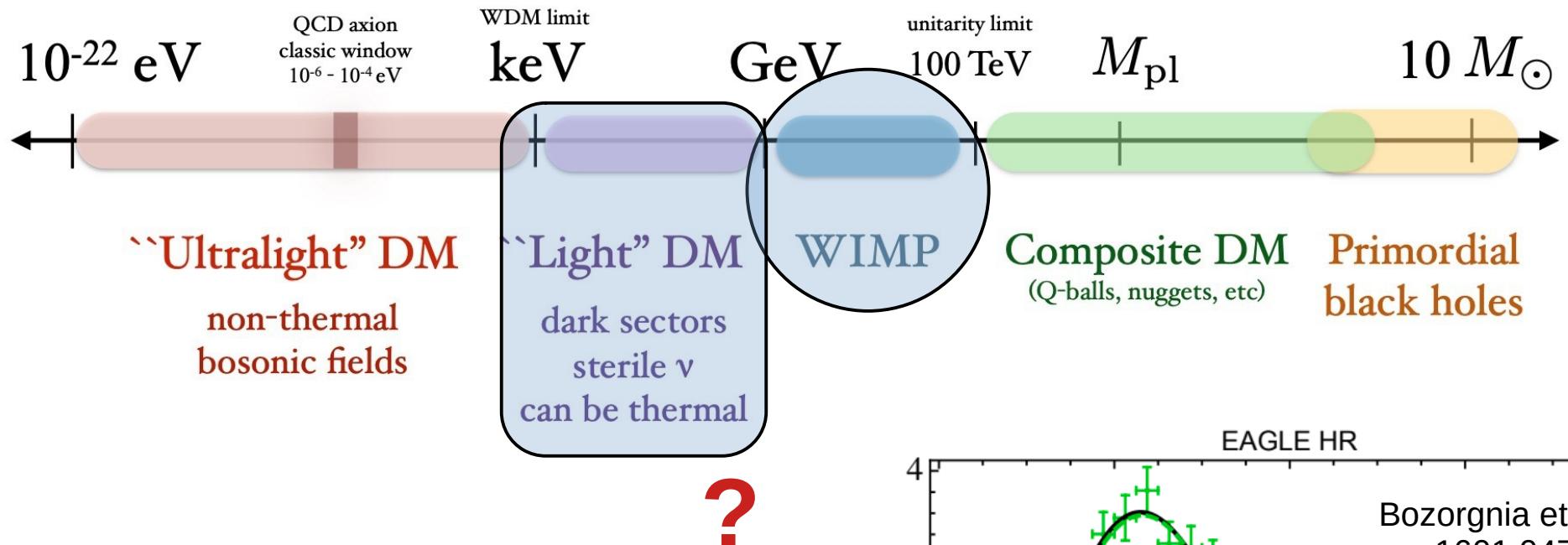
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Direct Detection



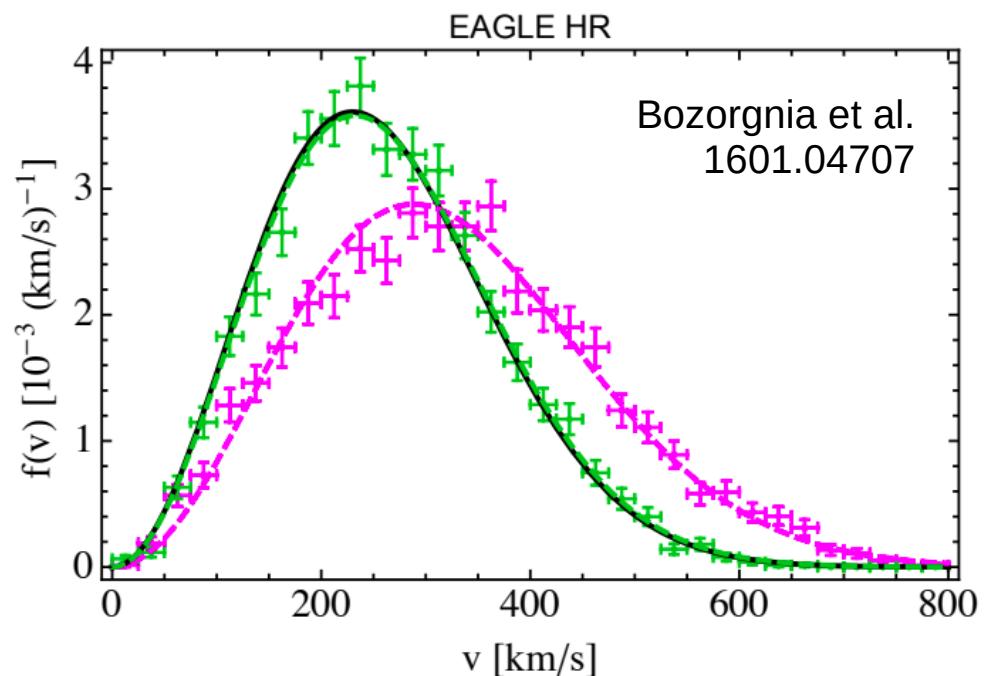
APPEC Committee Report [2104.07634]

Mass Span of DM



$$E_r \approx \frac{4m_\chi m_N}{(m_\chi + m_N)^2} T_\chi$$

$$\approx \frac{4m_\chi}{m_N} T_\chi \quad T_\chi = \frac{1}{2} m_\chi v_\chi^2$$



Possible Improvements

1) Lowering the threshold

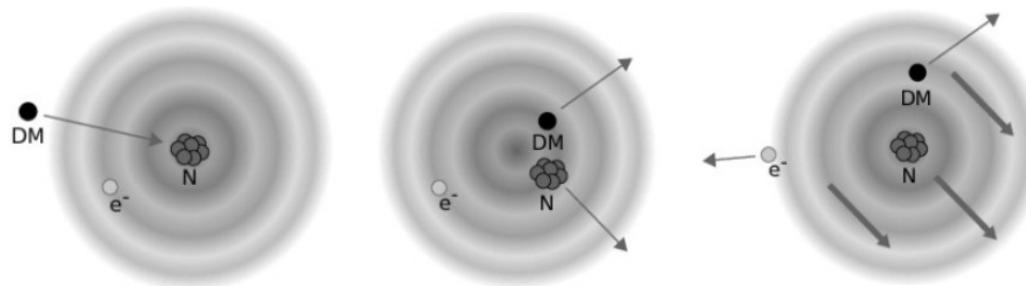
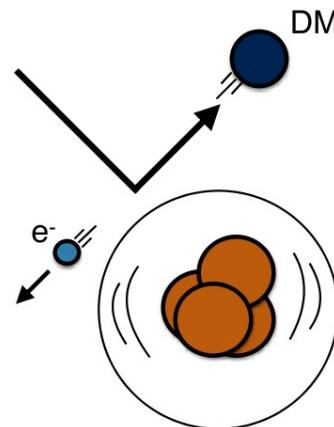
Bolometer [1904.00498, Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci. 67 (2017) 161-181]

Bremsstrahlung [Kouvaris & Pradler, PRL 118, 031803 (2017)]

$$\chi + N \rightarrow \chi + N(E_R) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \chi + N \rightarrow \chi + N(E'_R) + \gamma(\omega)$$

Migdal effect [Ibe et al [1707.07258]]

2) Electron target



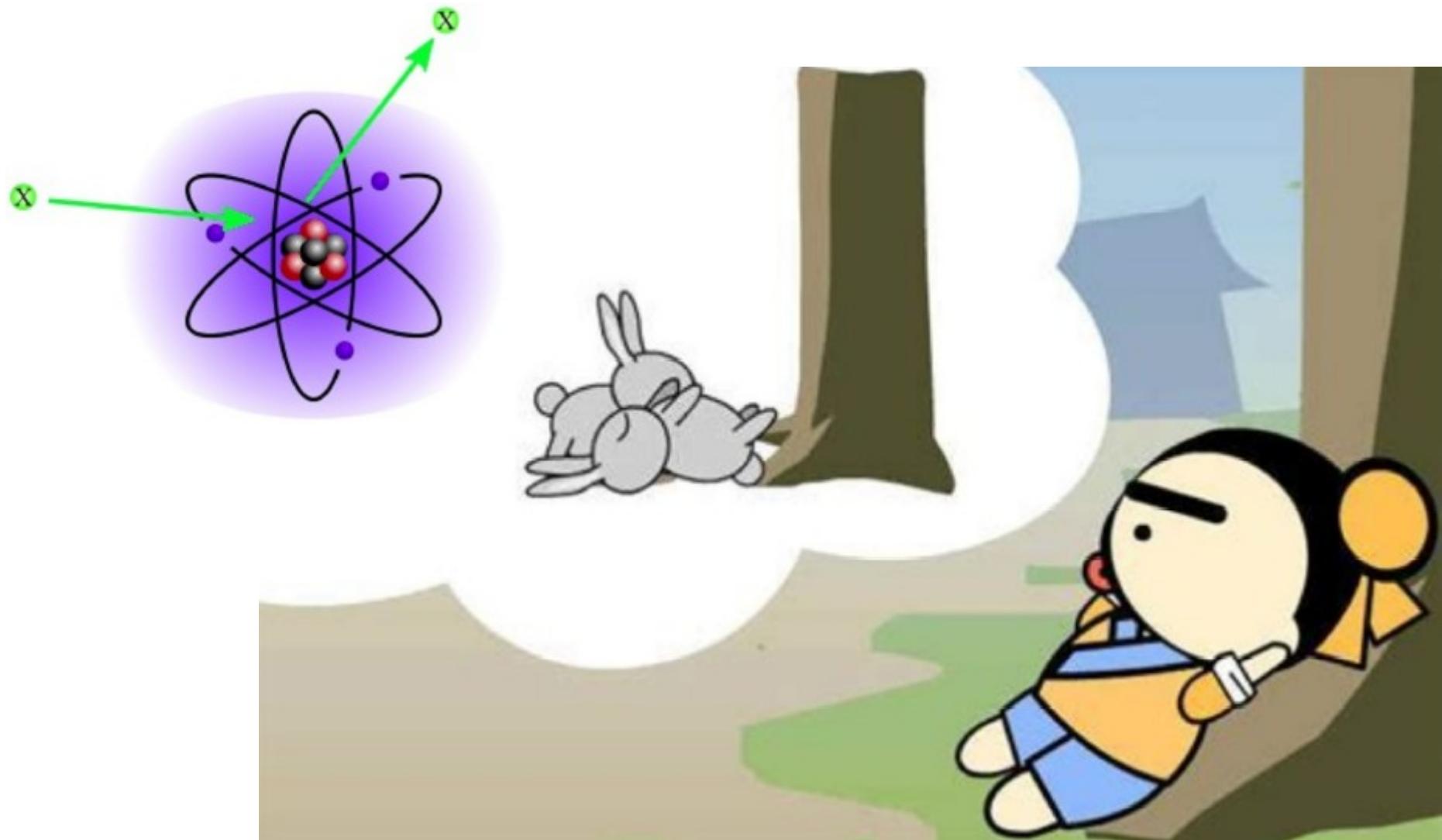
3) Boosting detector?

Boosting DM

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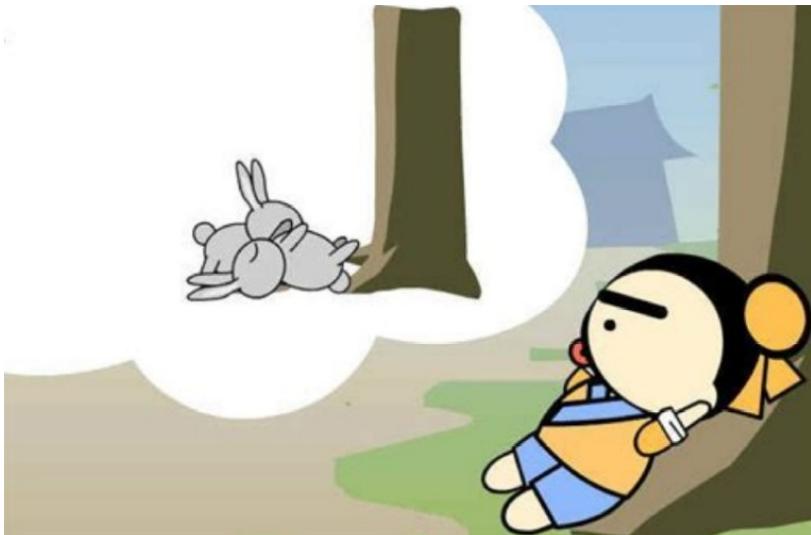
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DM Detection vs 守株待兔



If the sleepy rabbit is too small, the tree cannot feel it!

Hitting Rabbits



Stick has the same material as tree!

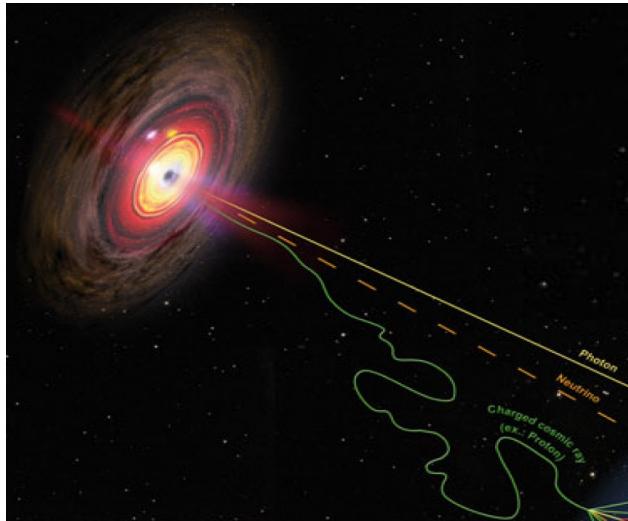
So long as direct detection is possible.



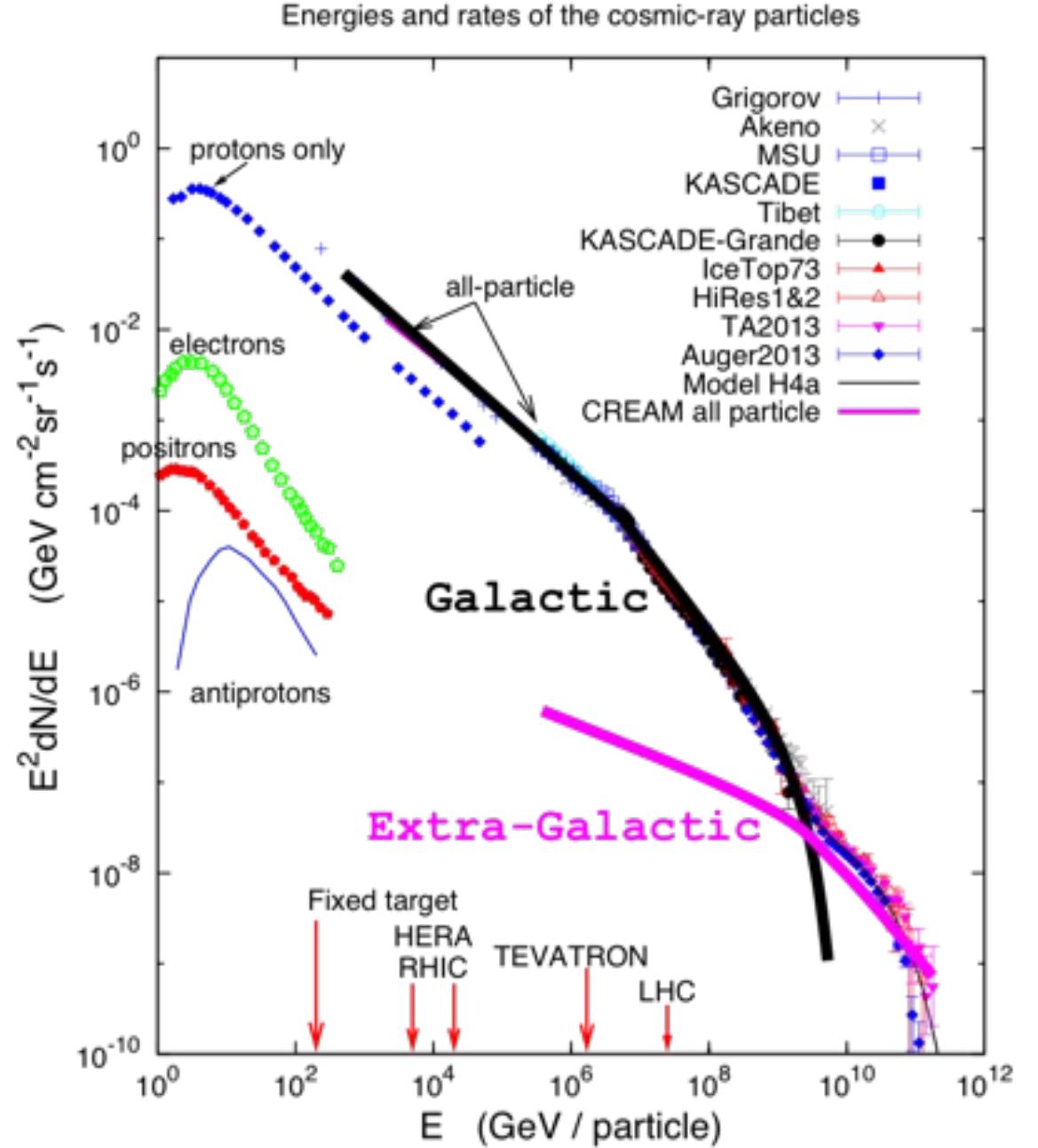
Cosmic Ray Boosted DM

Cappiello, Ng & Beacom, PRD 2019 [arXiv:1810.07705 [hep-ph]]
Bringmann & Pospelov, PRL 2019 [arXiv:1810.10543 [hep-ph]]
Ema, Sala & Sato [arXiv:1811.00520 [hep-ph]]

Cosmic Rays

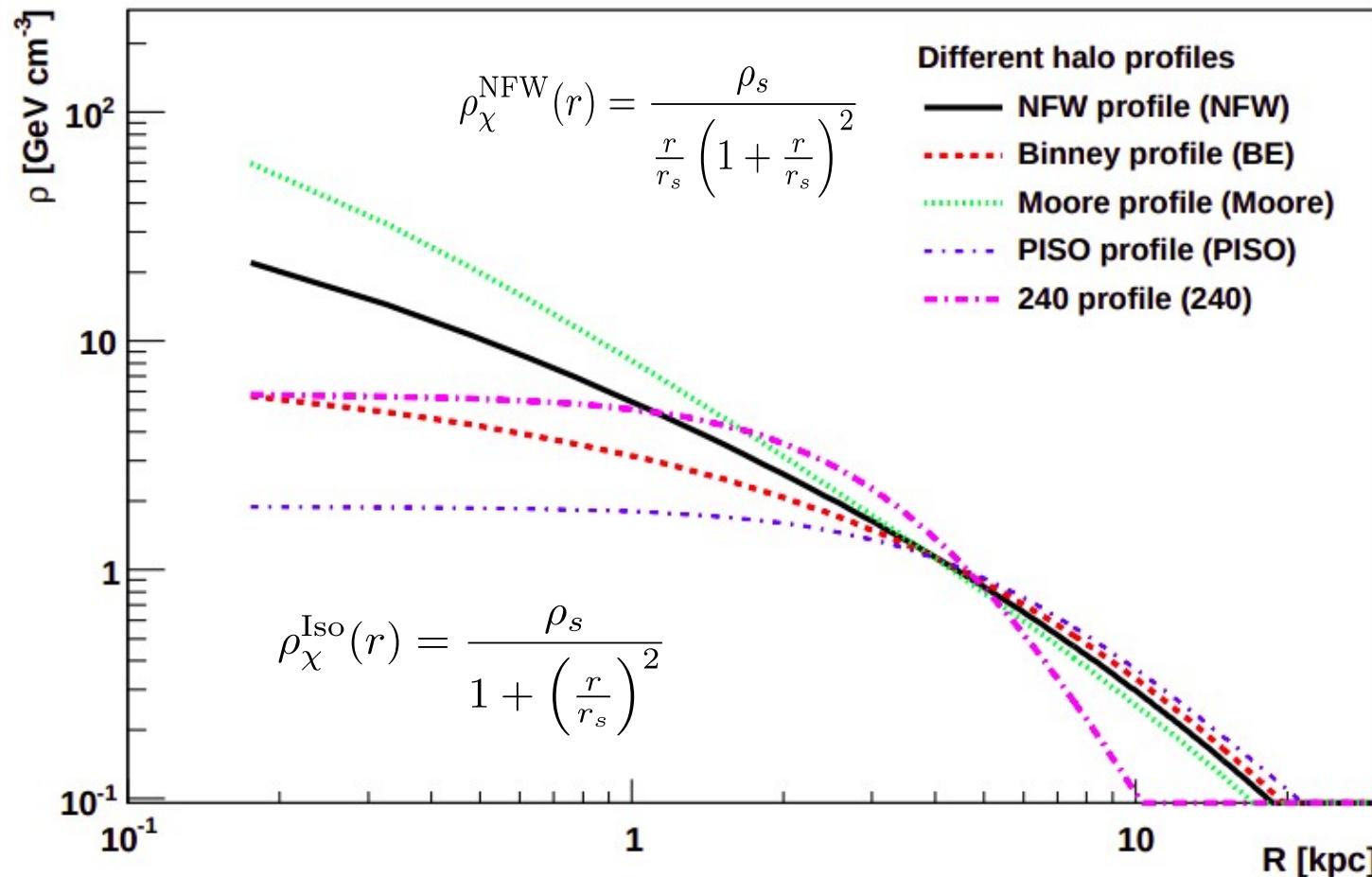


- 1) Cosmic rays are almost everywhere in the galaxy
- 2) Cosmic rays are very energetic
- 3) Cosmic rays have several components (proton, electron, ...)



Galaxy DM Density Profile

Weber & Boer [0910.4272]



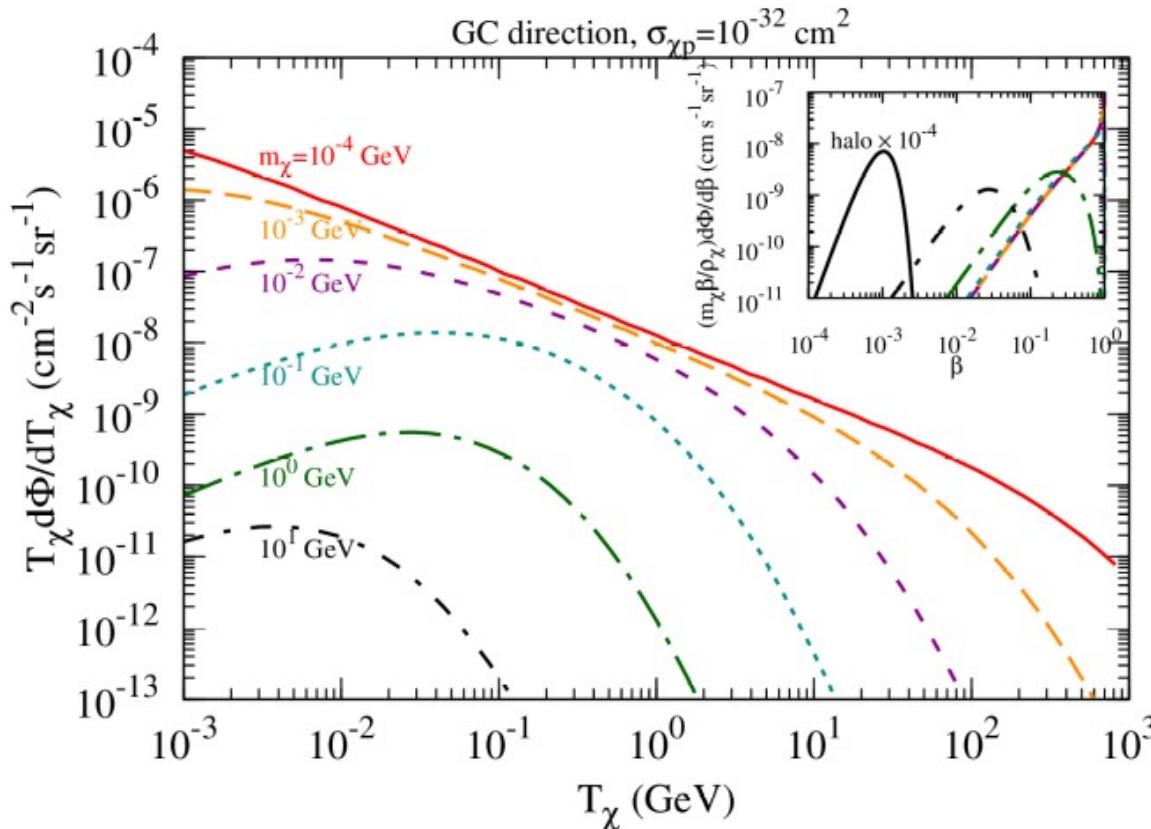
DM particles are almost at rest in comparison to cosmic rays.

Cosmic Ray Boosted DM

$$\zeta_\chi(\mathbf{r}, T_\chi) = \frac{\rho_\chi(|\mathbf{r}|)}{m_\chi} \sum_{i=p,\text{He}} \int_{T_i^{\min}}^{\infty} dT_i \frac{n_{\text{CR},i}(\mathbf{r}, T_i)}{T_\chi^{\max}(T_i)} \times v_i \sigma_{\chi i} G_i^2(Q^2),$$

with constant $\sigma_{\chi p}$ & form factor $G_i(Q^2) \equiv 1/(1 + Q^2/\Lambda_i^2)^2$.

$$\frac{d\Phi}{dT_\chi}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, T_\chi) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \zeta_\chi(\mathbf{r}, T_\chi) dl$$



SFG, Jianglai Liu, Ning Zhou, Qiang Yuan [arXiv:2005.09480 [hep-ph]]

See also Bringmann & Pospelov, PRL 2019 [arXiv:1810.10543 [hep-ph]]

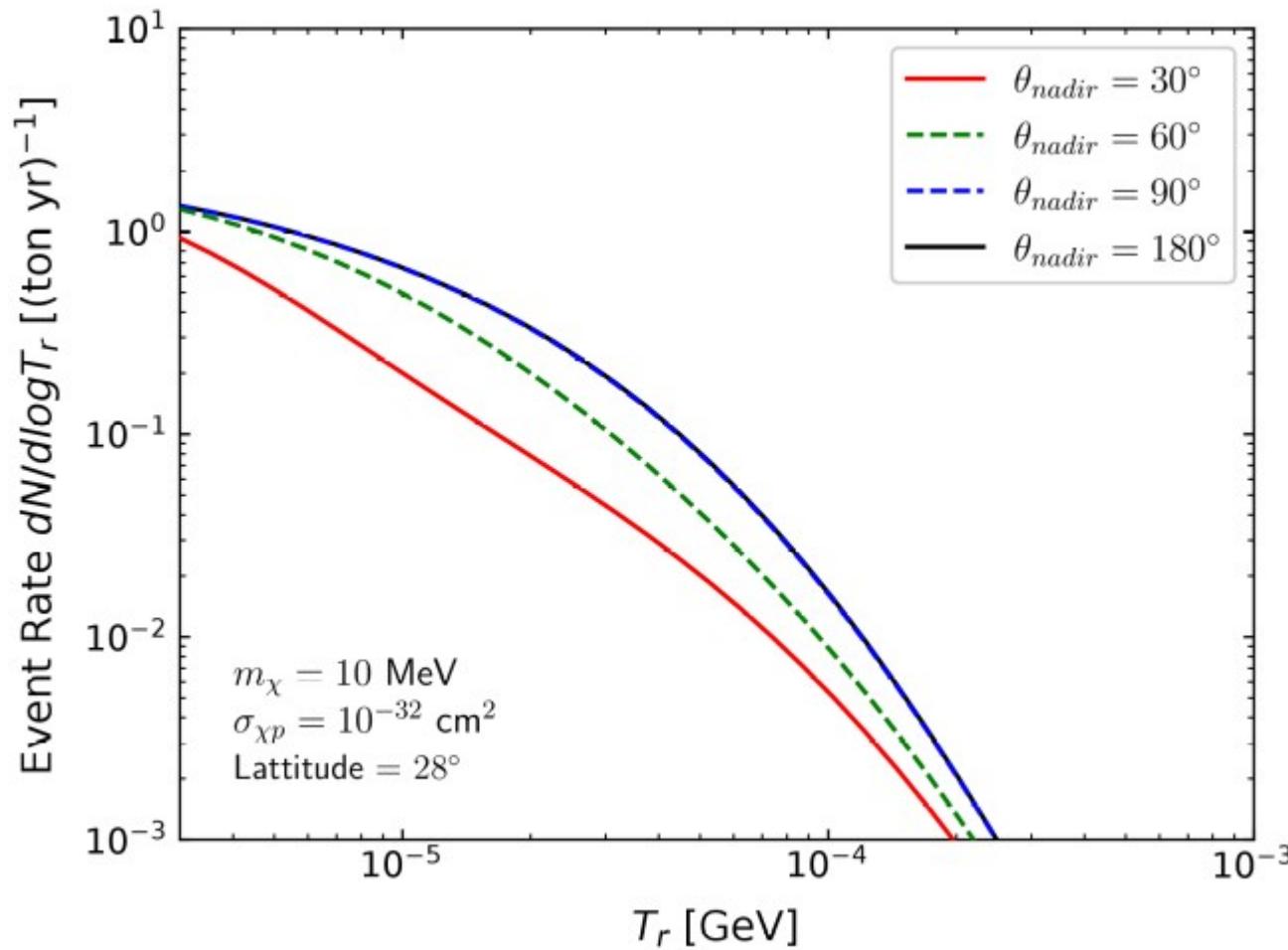
$$0 \leq T_\chi \leq \frac{T_i(T_i + 2m_i)}{T_i + m_\mu^i}$$

$$\approx \frac{T_i^2}{T_i + m_i^2/2m_\chi}$$

Direct Detection

$$\sigma_{\chi A} = \sigma_{\chi p} A^2 \left[\frac{m_A(m_\chi + m_p)}{m_p(m_\chi + m_A)} \right]^2$$

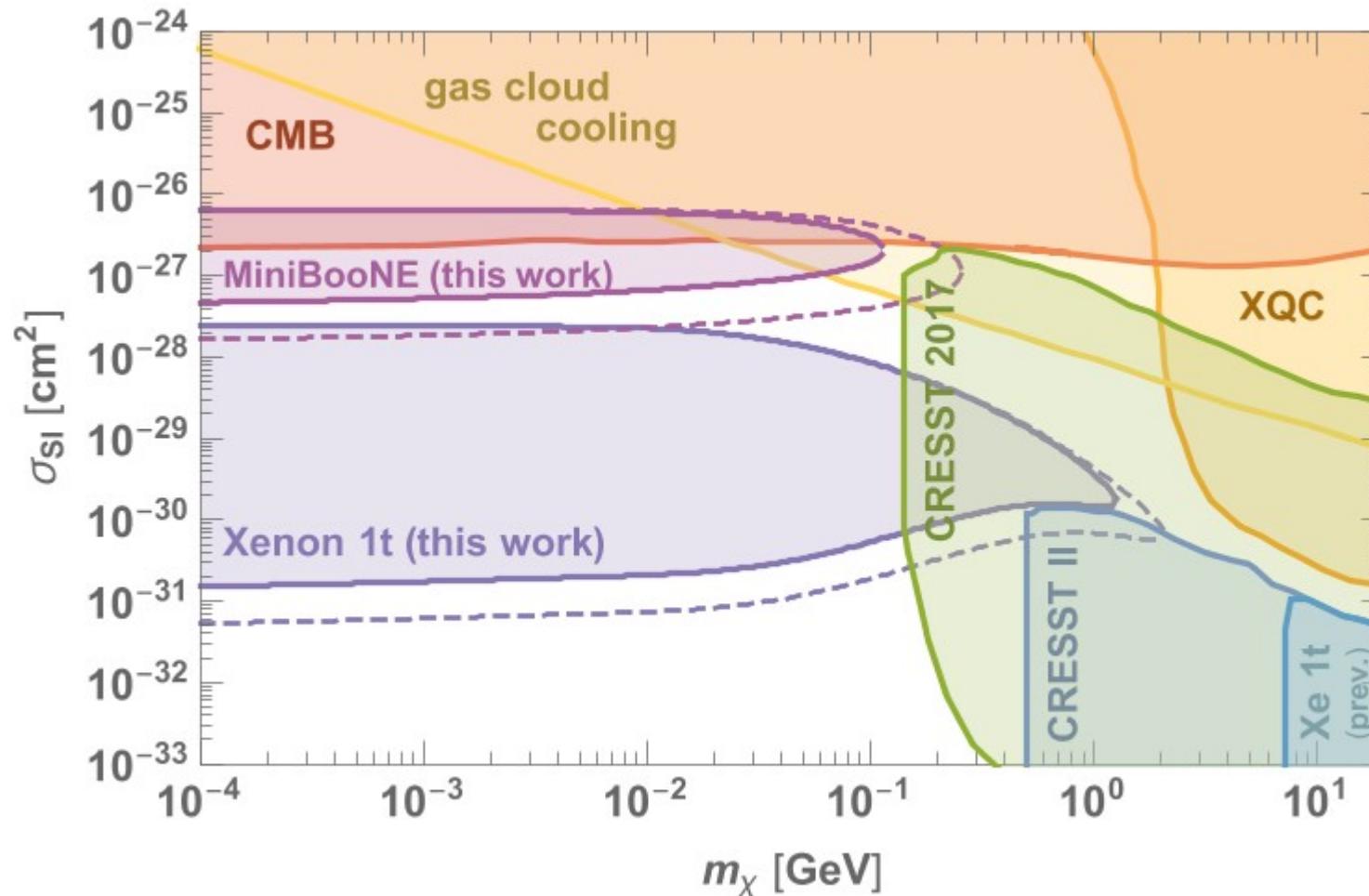
$$G_i(Q^2) \equiv 1/(1 + Q^2/\Lambda_i^2)^2$$



The nuclear recoil from CRDM is much more energetic!

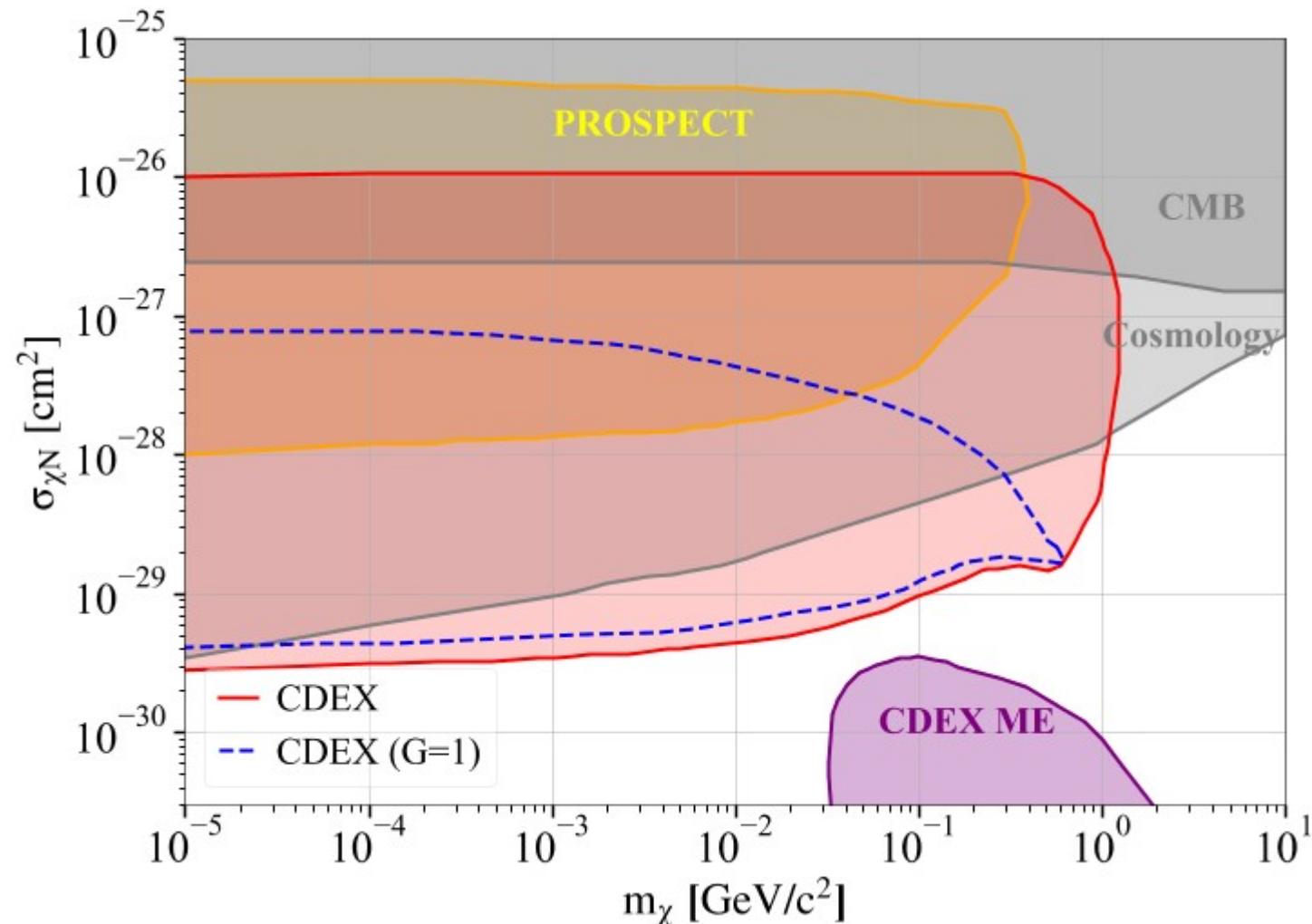
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Projected Sensitivities



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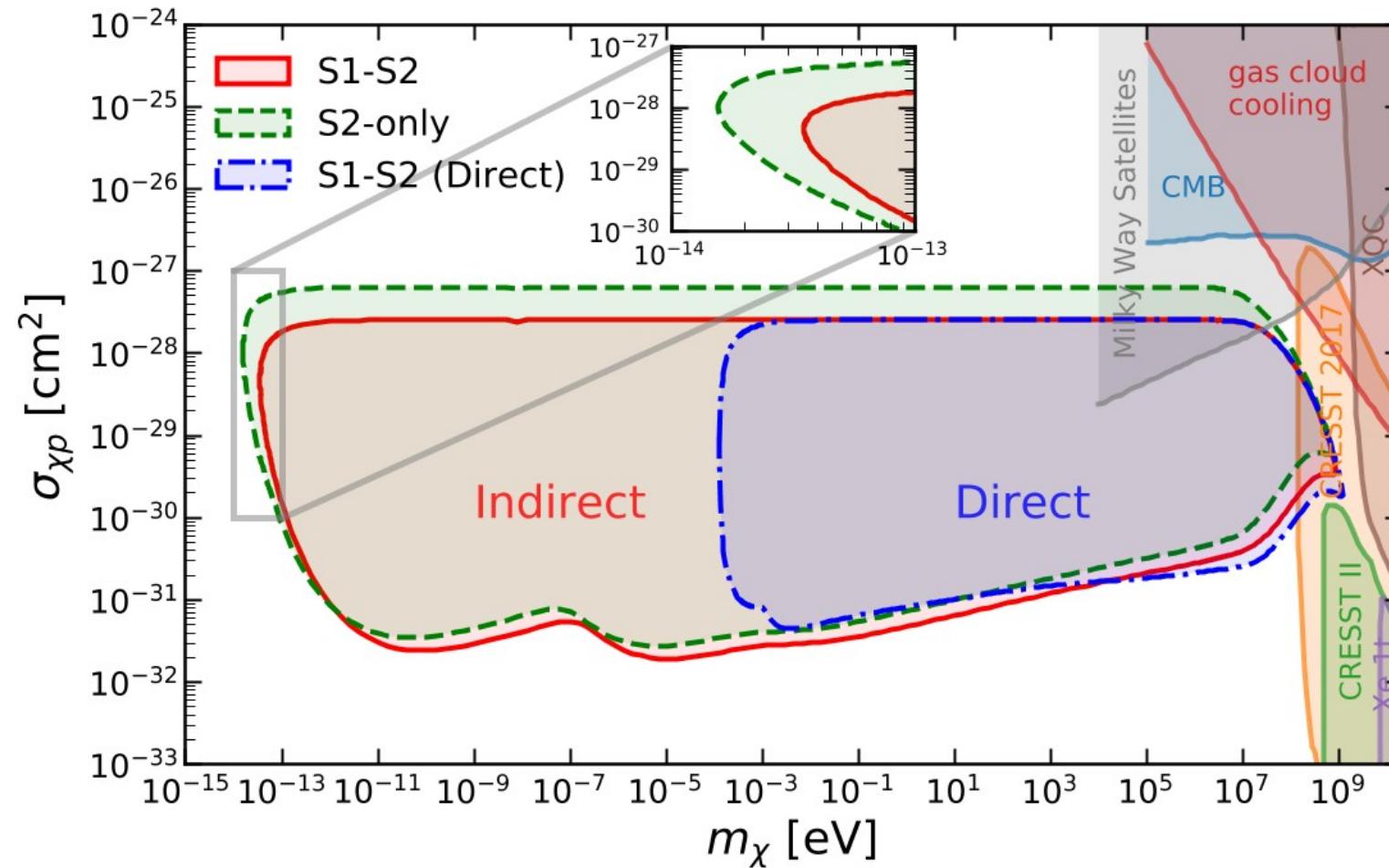
Sensitivity @ CDEX



Zhang, Lei & Tang [2008.07116]

CDEX [2201.01704]

Kinematic Limits



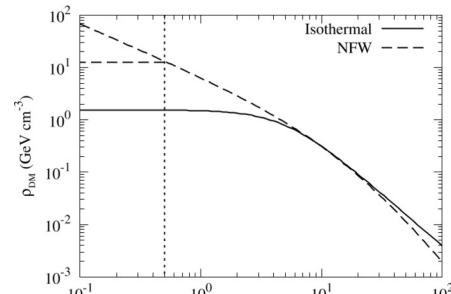
$$0 \leq T_\chi \leq \frac{T_i(T_i + 2m_i)}{T_i + m_\mu^i} \approx \frac{T_i^2}{T_i + m_i^2/2m_\chi} \quad \text{for} \quad m_\chi \ll m_i$$

Xia, Xu & Zhou [2009.00353]

Anisotropies → Diurnal Effect



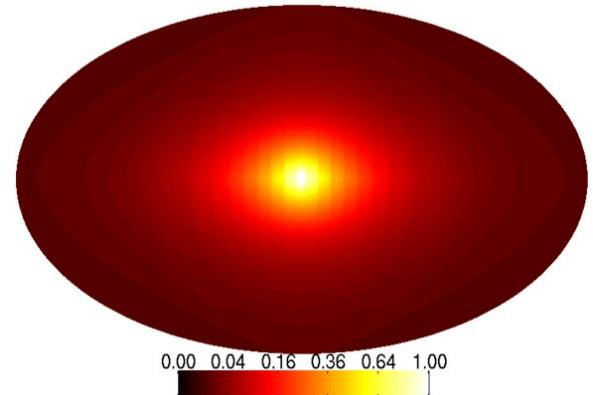
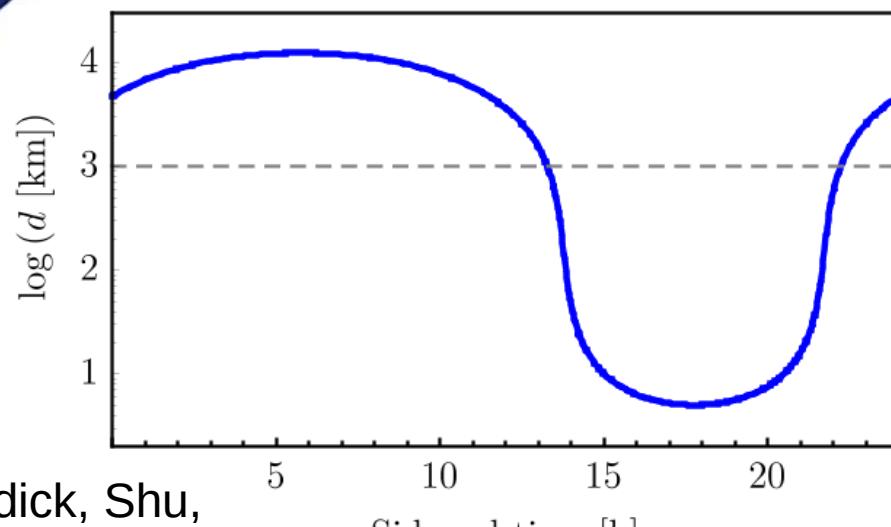
DM



Cosmic Rays



NFW



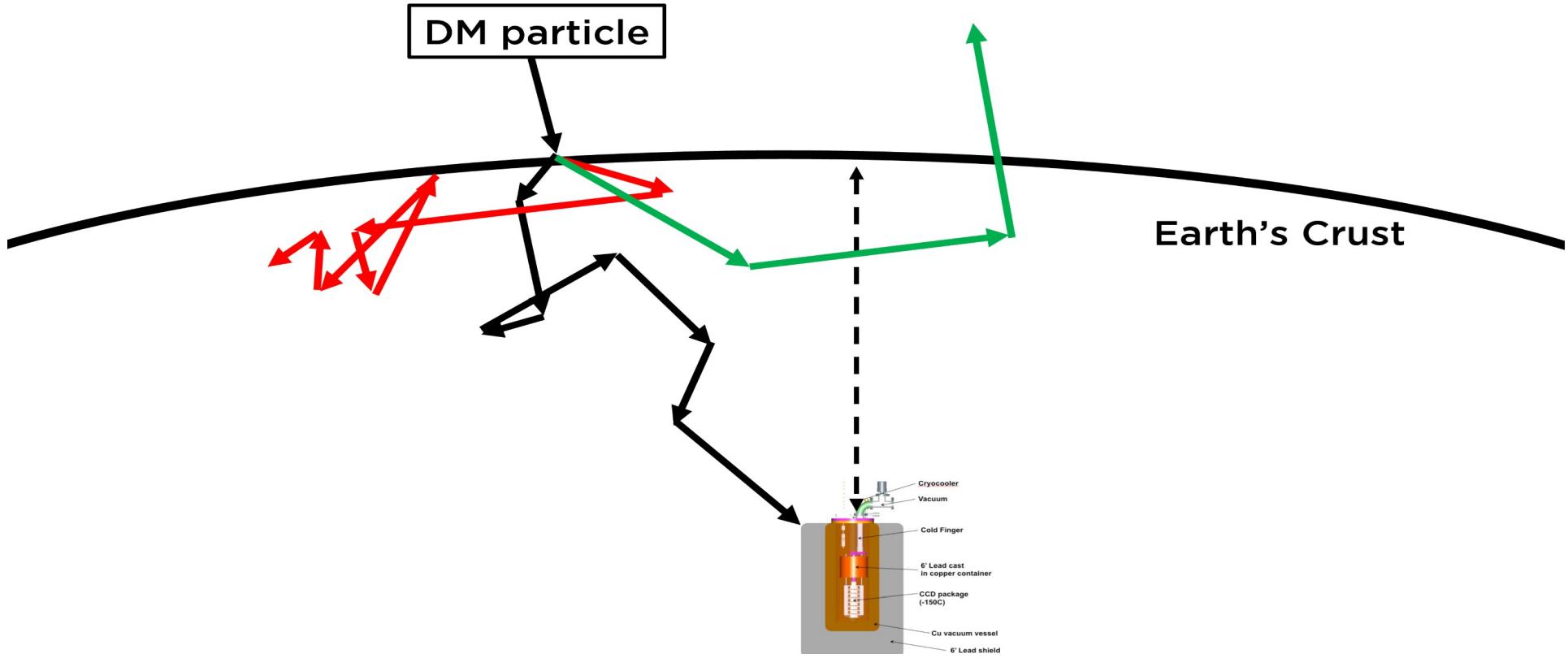
Fornal, Sandick, Shu,
Su & Zhao [2006.11264]

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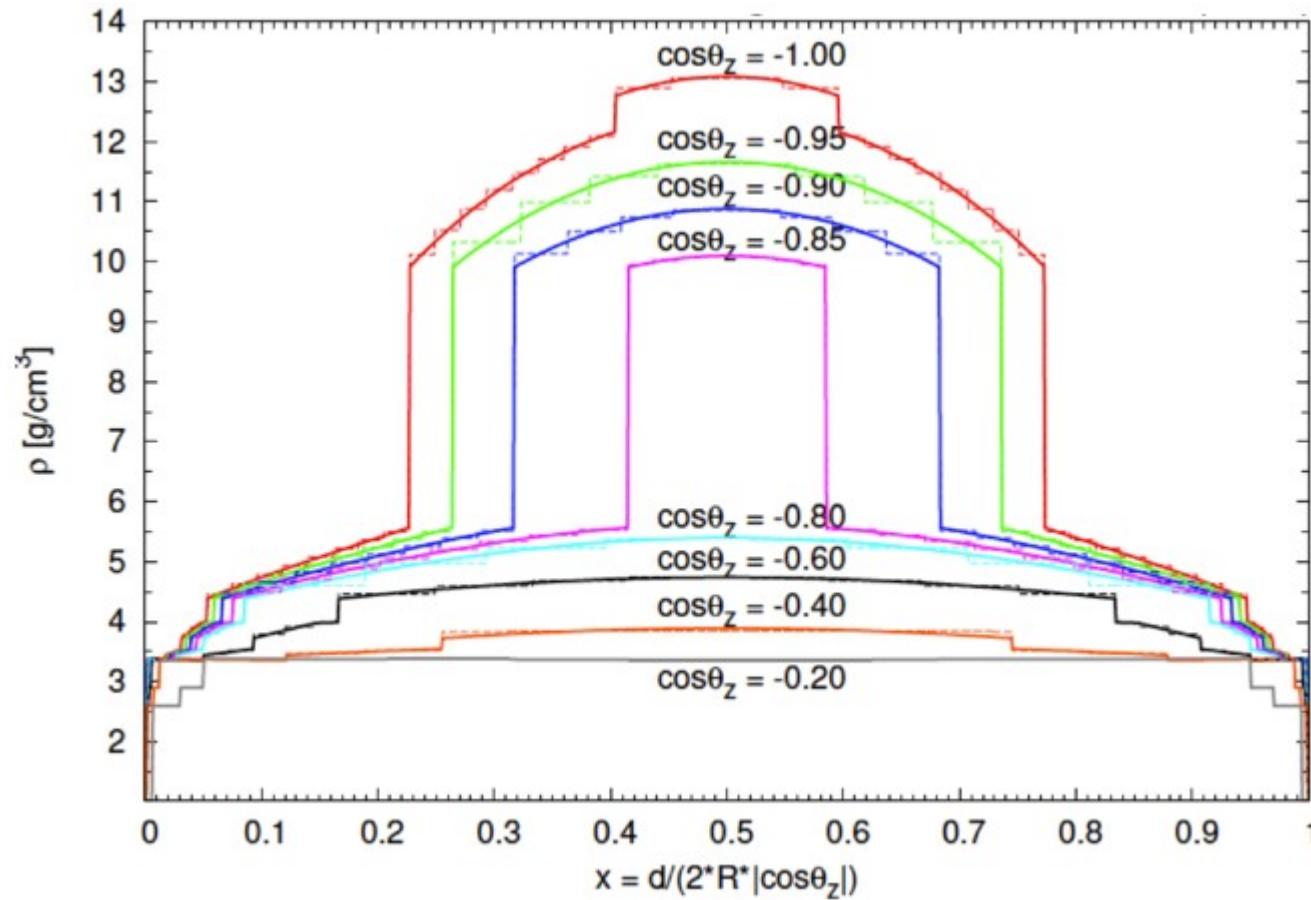
Earth Attenuation



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial I} \frac{d\Phi(I, T_\chi)}{d \ln T_\chi} &= \frac{\rho_N(I)}{m_N} \sigma_{\chi N} G_N^2(Q^2) \left[-\frac{d\Phi(I, T_\chi)}{d \ln T_\chi} \right. \\ &+ \left. \int \frac{d\Phi(I, T'_\chi)}{d \ln T'_\chi} \frac{T_\chi(T'_\chi + m_\mu^N)}{T'_\chi(T'_\chi + 2m_\chi)} d \ln T'_\chi \right] \end{aligned}$$

Transfer to lower energy
Come from higher energy

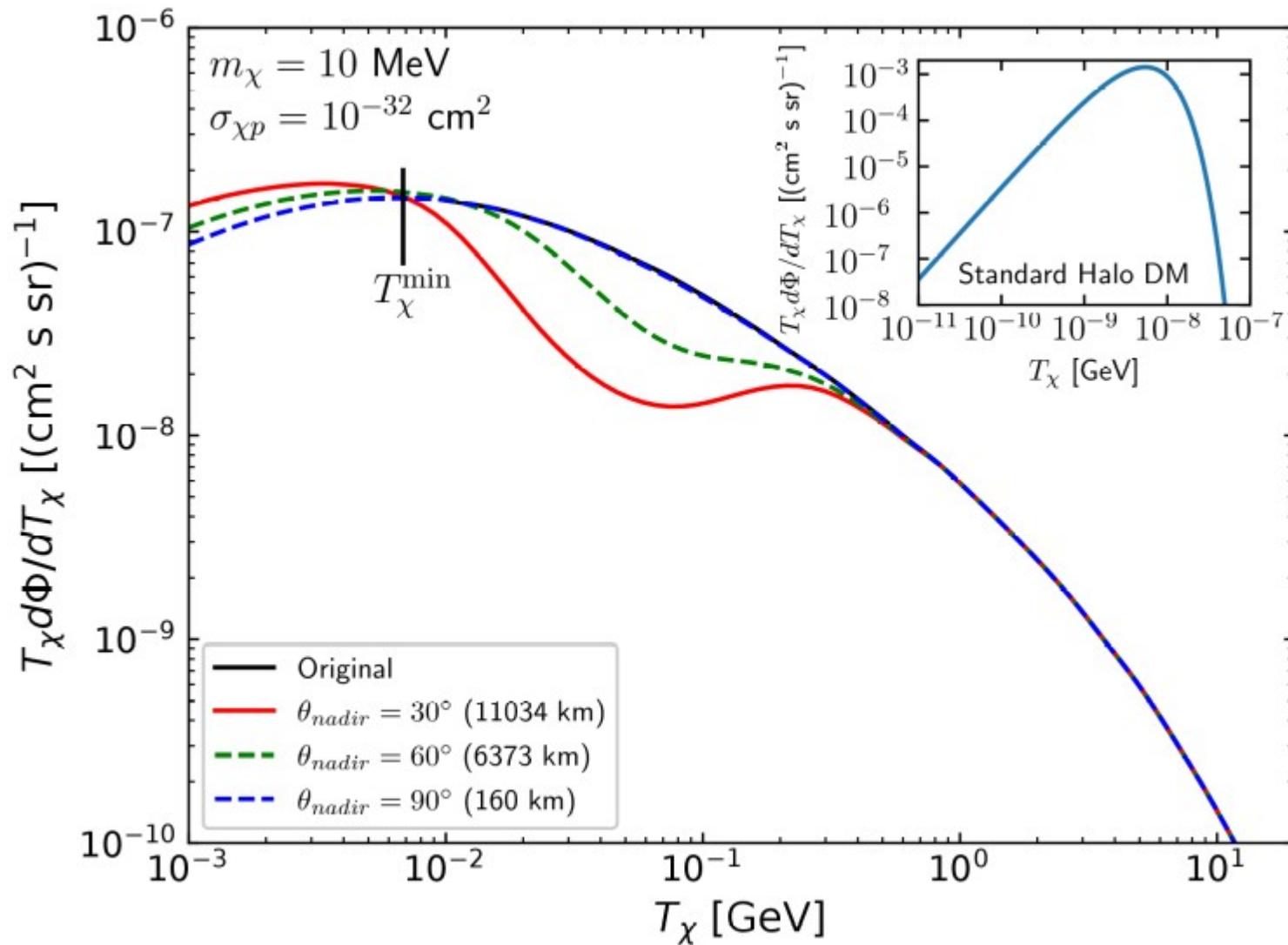
Earth Density Profile



SFG, Hagiwara, Rott [1309.3176]

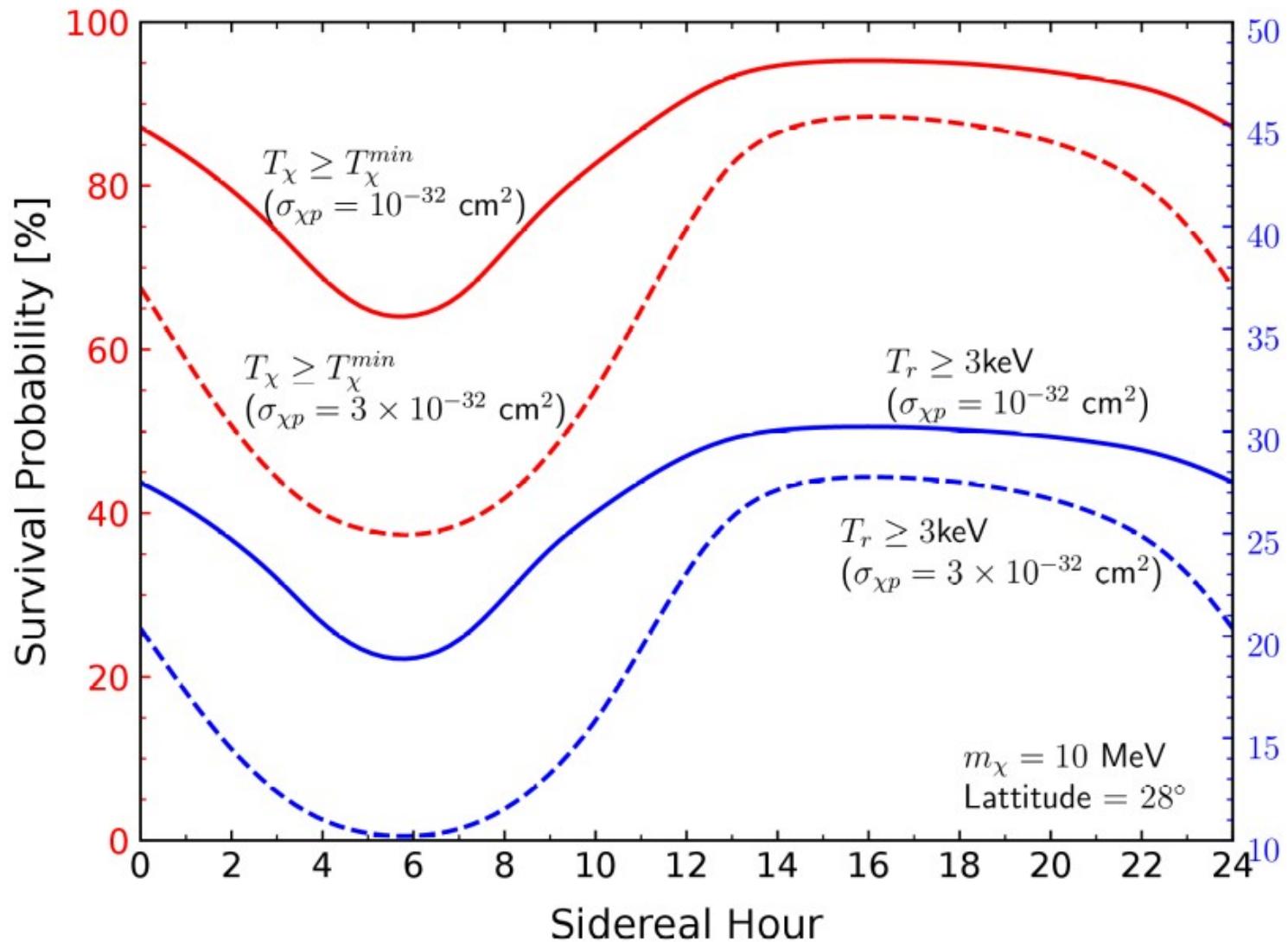
The earth matter can be approximated by 2-step profile.

Attenuated Flux



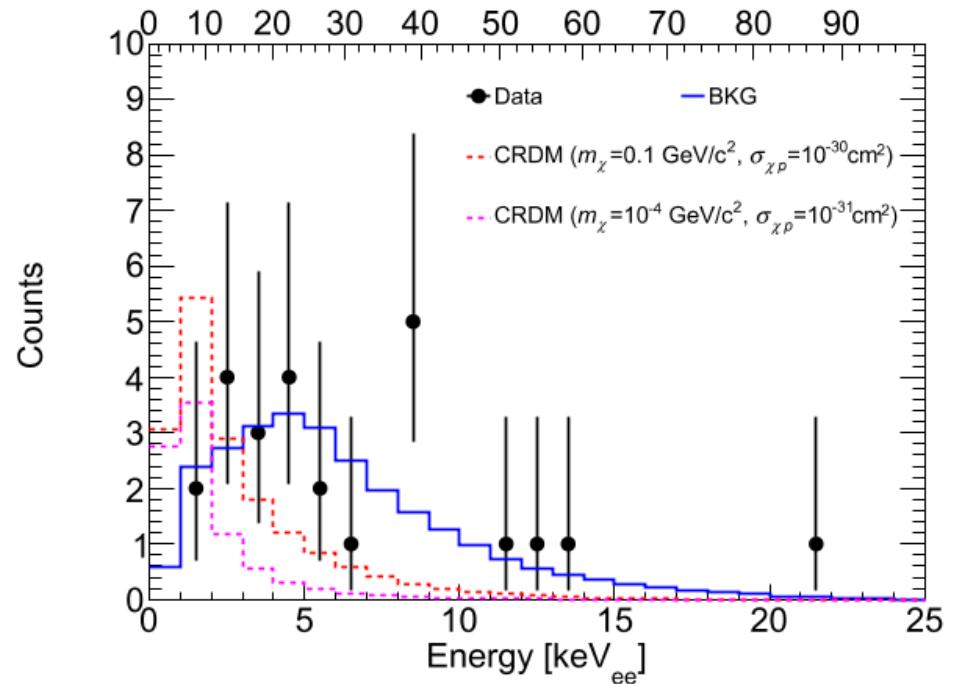
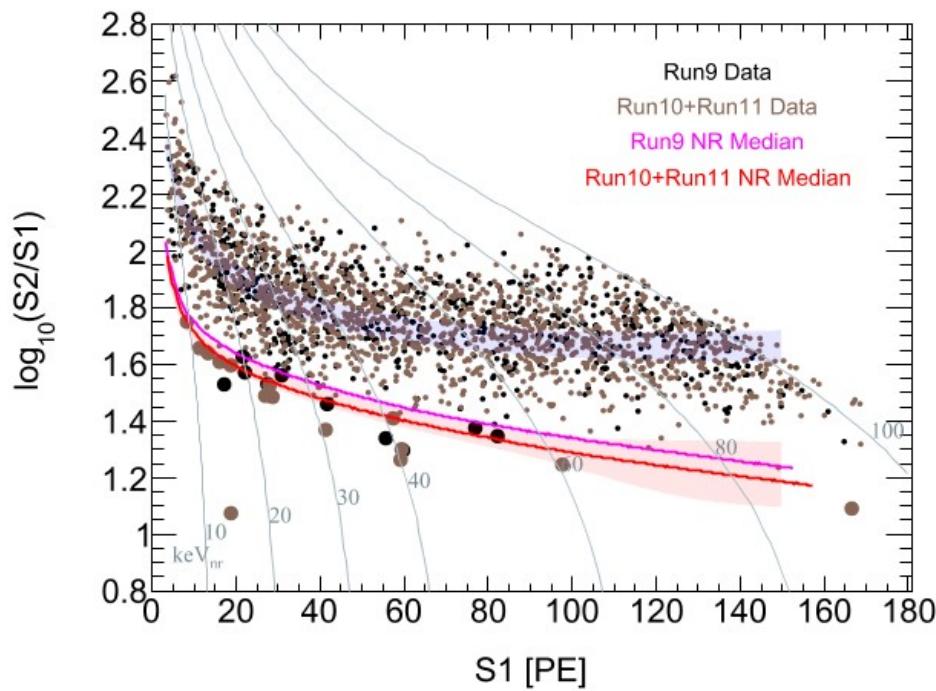
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Diurnal Effect



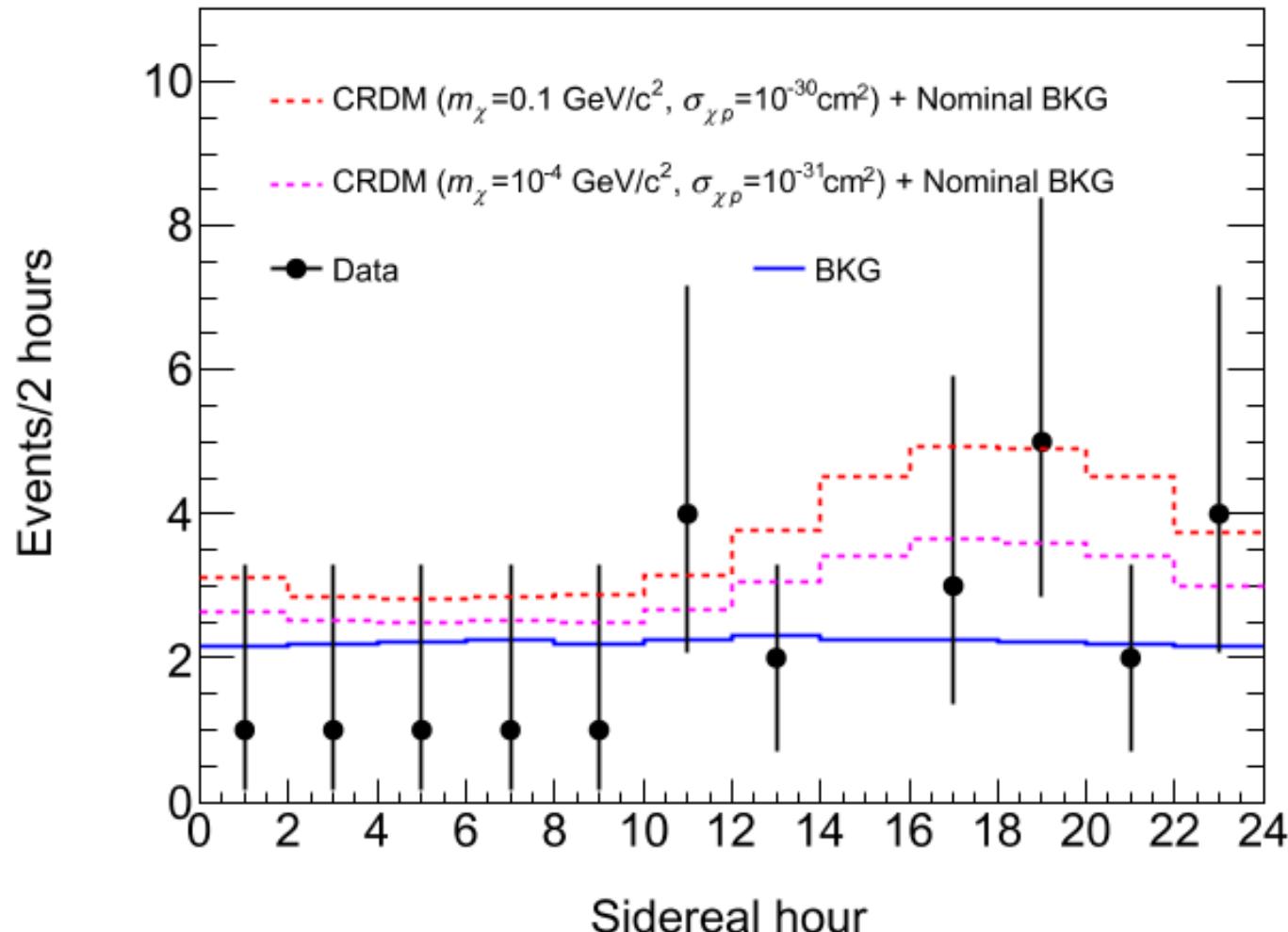
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PandaX-II Data



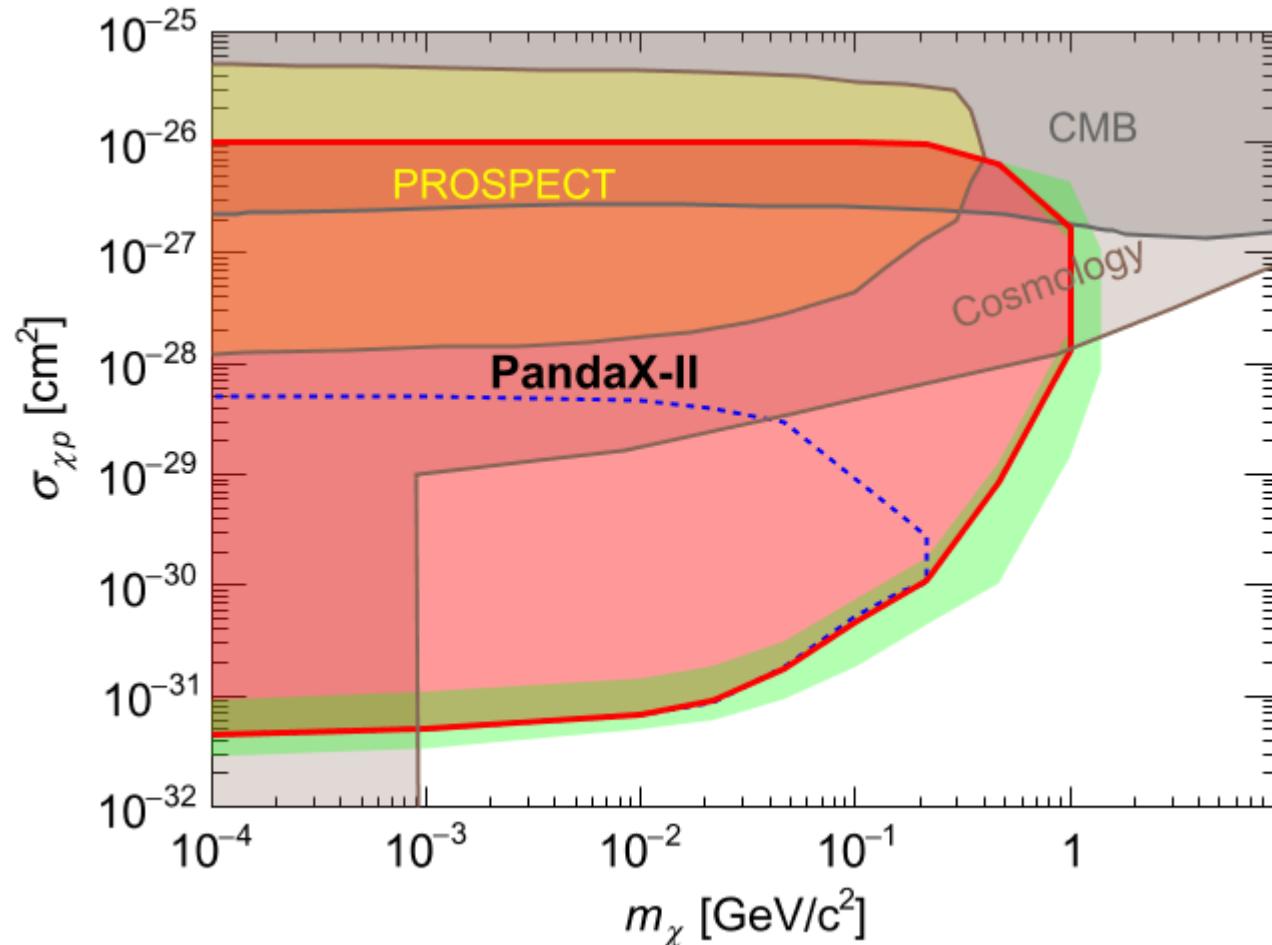
PandaX-II + **SFG** & Qiang Yuan [2112.08957]

Diurnal Modulation @ PandaX



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Sensitivity @ PandaX



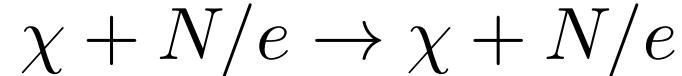
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Fermionic Absorption

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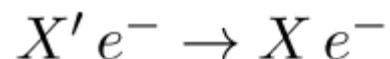
Boosting recoil with mass

- Elastic Scattering



$$E_r \approx \frac{4m_\chi m_N}{(m_\chi + m_N)^2} T_\chi$$

- Exothermic

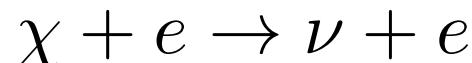


$$E_R \simeq \Delta m \left(1 - \frac{v_{\text{DM}}}{v_e} \cos \theta_e \right)$$

He, Wang & Zheng [JCAP21, 2007.04963]

Aboubrahim, Althueser, Klasen, Nath & Weinheimer [2207.08621]

- Fermionic absorption



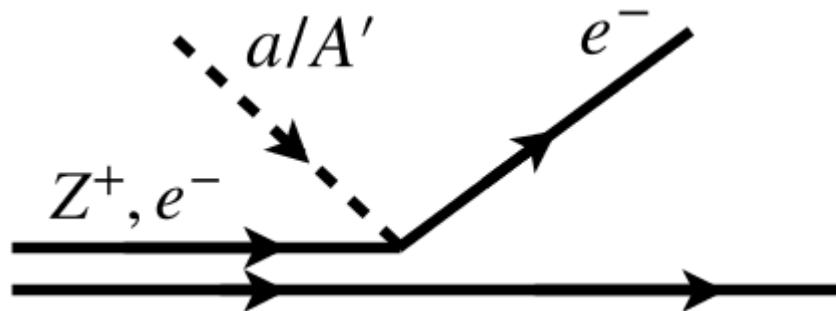
$$E_r \approx \frac{m_\chi^2}{2m_e}$$

See also Dror, Elor & McGehee
[1905.12635, 1908.10861],
Li, Liao & Zhang [2201.11905]

Dror, Elor, McGehee & Yu [2011.01940]

Bosonic Absorption DM

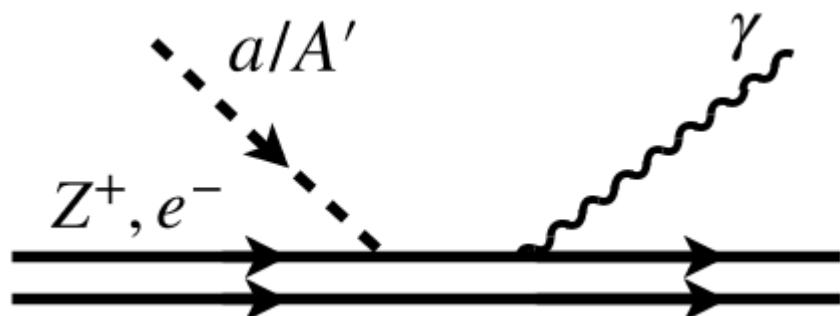
- Dark absorption



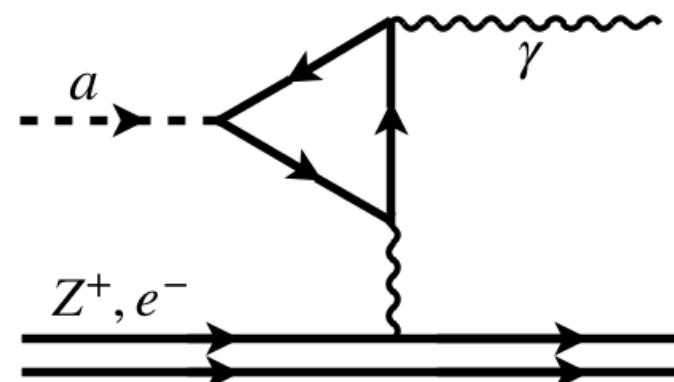
Pospelov, Ritz & Voloshin [0807.3279]

An, Pospelov, Pradler & Ritz [1412.8378]

- Dark Compton

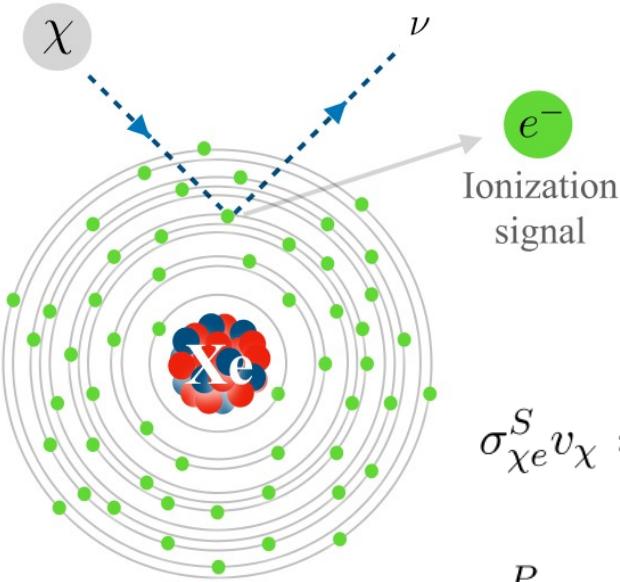


- Inverse Primakoff



Hochberg, Krosigk, Kuflík & Yu [2109.08168]

Effective Operators



$$\sigma_{\chi e}^S v_\chi \approx \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \frac{m_\chi^2 (2m_e + m_\chi)^4}{64\pi(m_e + m_\chi)^4},$$

$$\sigma_{\chi e}^P v_\chi \approx \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \frac{m_\chi^4 (2m_e + m_\chi)^2}{64\pi(m_e + m_\chi)^4},$$

$$\sigma_{\chi e}^V v_\chi \approx \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \frac{m_\chi^2 (2m_e + m_\chi)^2 (2m_e^2 + 4m_e m_\chi + 3m_\chi^2)}{32\pi(m_e + m_\chi)^4},$$

$$\sigma_{\chi e}^A v_\chi \approx \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \frac{m_\chi^2 (2m_e + m_\chi)^2 (6m_e^2 + 8m_e m_\chi + 3m_\chi^2)}{32\pi(m_e + m_\chi)^4},$$

$$\sigma_{\chi e}^T v_\chi \approx \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \frac{m_\chi^2 (2m_e + m_\chi)^2 (6m_e^2 + 10m_e m_\chi + 5m_\chi^2)}{8\pi(m_e + m_\chi)^4}.$$

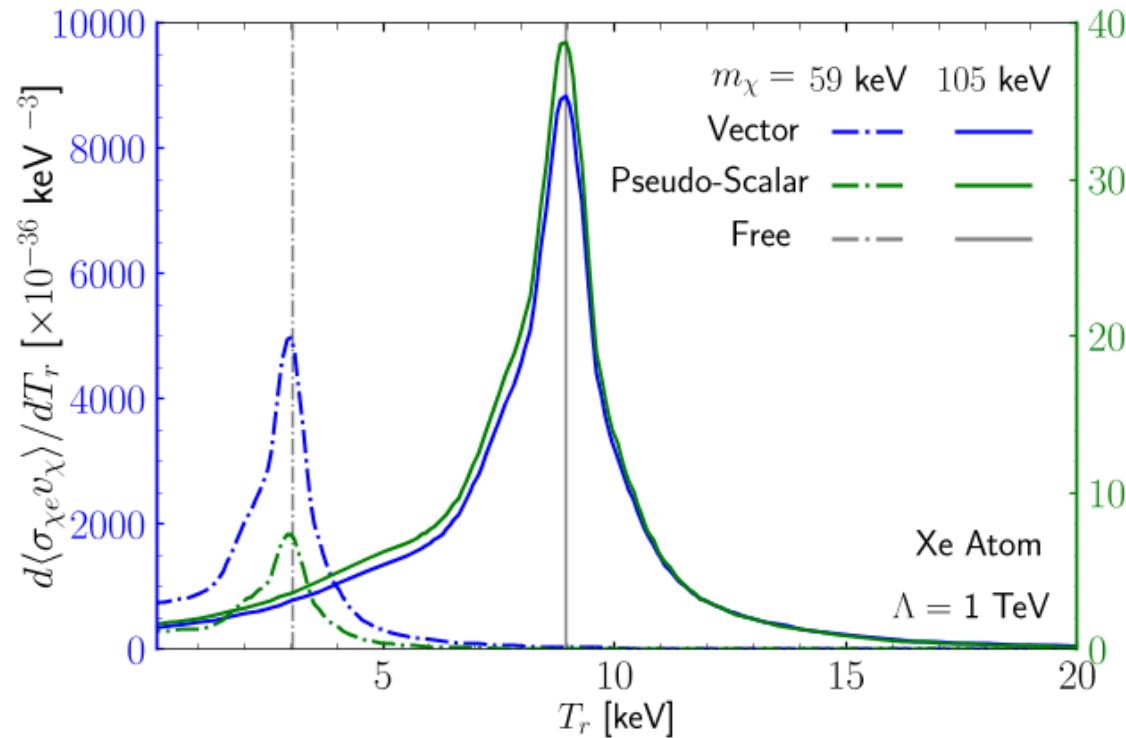
$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^S &\equiv (\bar{e}e)(\bar{\nu}_L\chi_R), \\ \mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^P &\equiv (\bar{e}i\gamma_5 e)(\bar{\nu}_L\chi_R), \\ \mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^V &\equiv (\bar{e}\gamma_\mu e)(\bar{\nu}_L\gamma^\mu\chi_L), \\ \mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^A &\equiv (\bar{e}\gamma_\mu\gamma_5 e)(\bar{\nu}_L\gamma^\mu\chi_L), \\ \mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^T &\equiv (\bar{e}\sigma_{\mu\nu} e)(\bar{\nu}_L\sigma^{\mu\nu}\chi_R),\end{aligned}$$

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Kinematics of Absorption DM

$$\chi + e \rightarrow \nu + e$$

$$E_r = \frac{m_\chi^2}{2(m_e + m_\chi)}$$

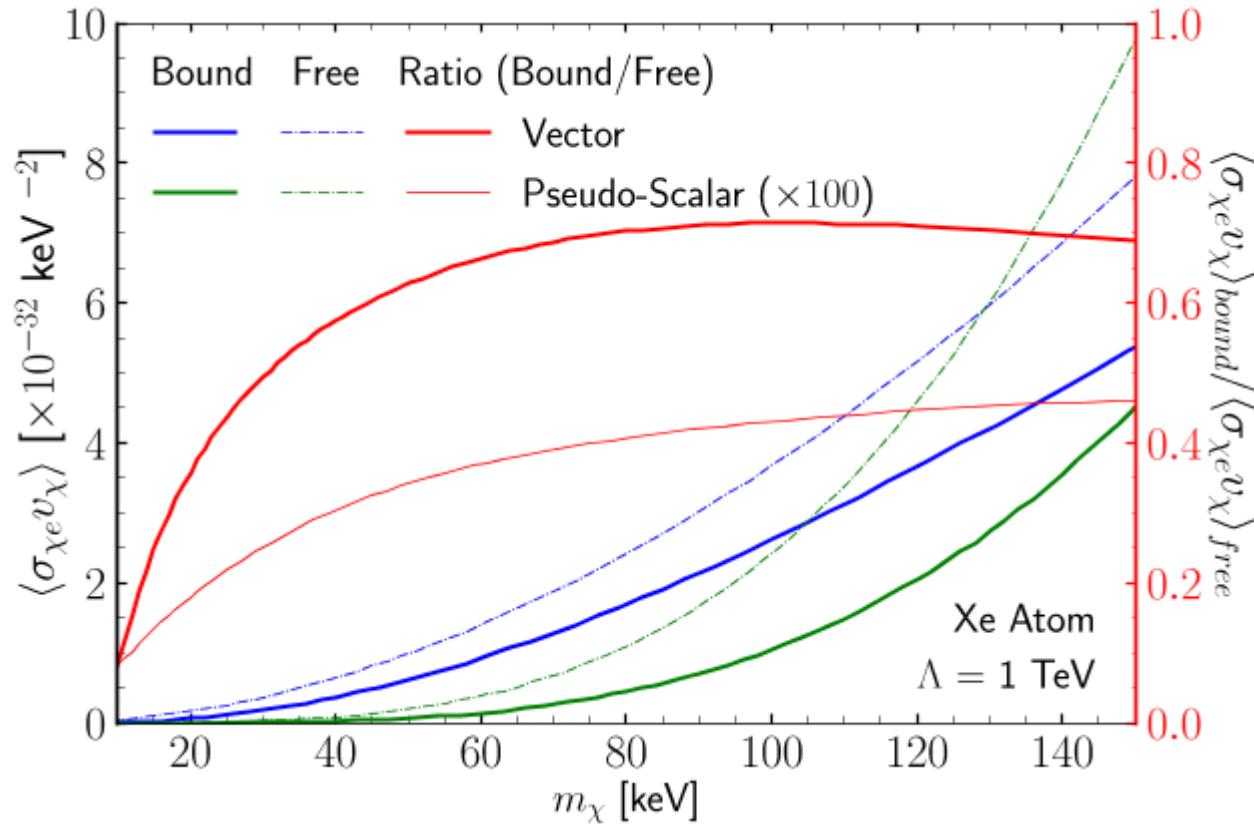


$$\frac{d\langle\sigma_{\chi e} v_\chi\rangle}{dT_r} = \sum_{nl} (4l+2) \frac{1}{T_r} \frac{m_\chi - \Delta E_{nl}}{16\pi m_e^2 m_\chi} |\mathcal{M}|^2(\mathbf{q}) K_{nl}(T_r, |\mathbf{q}|),$$

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Atomic Effects

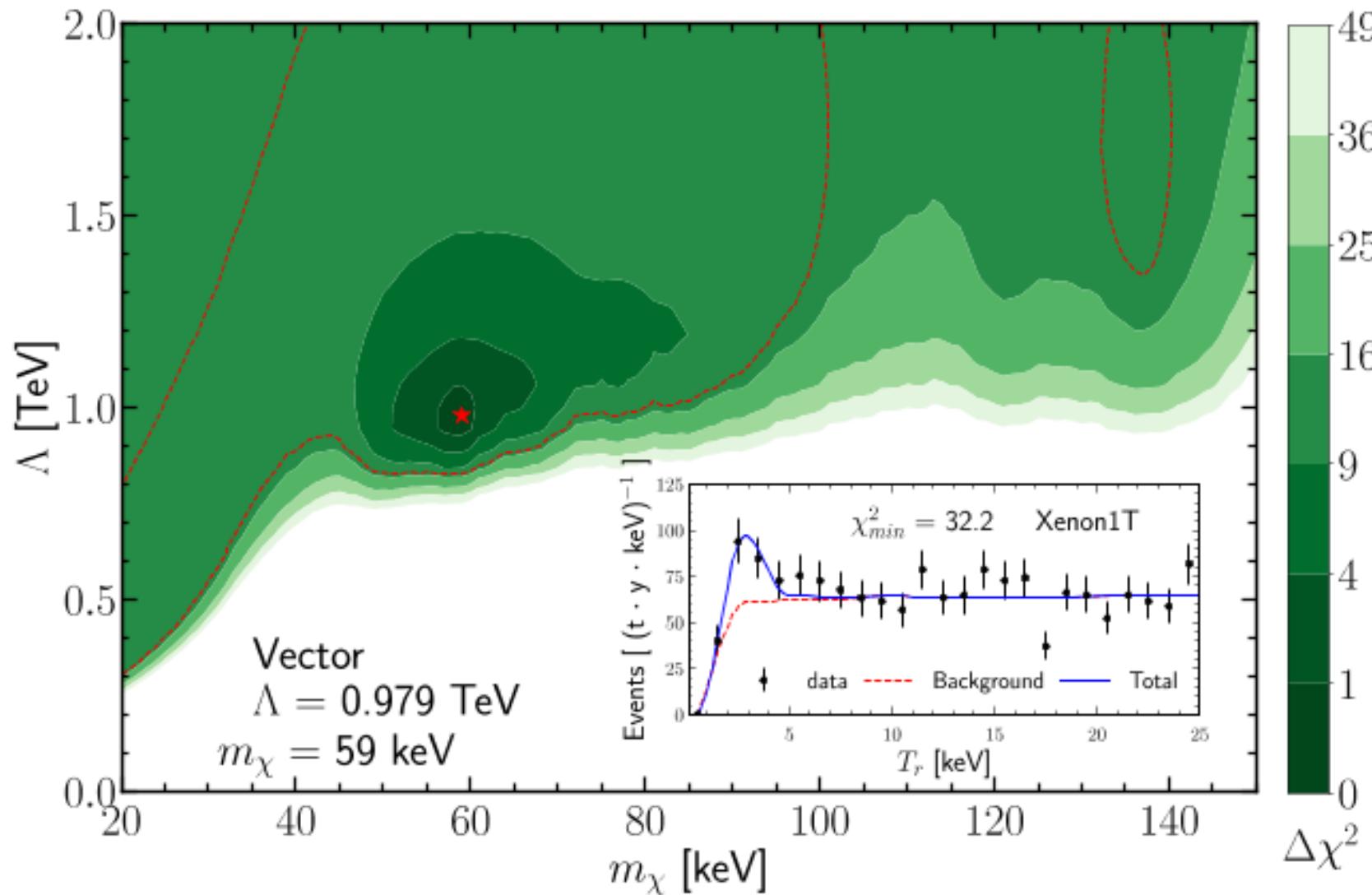
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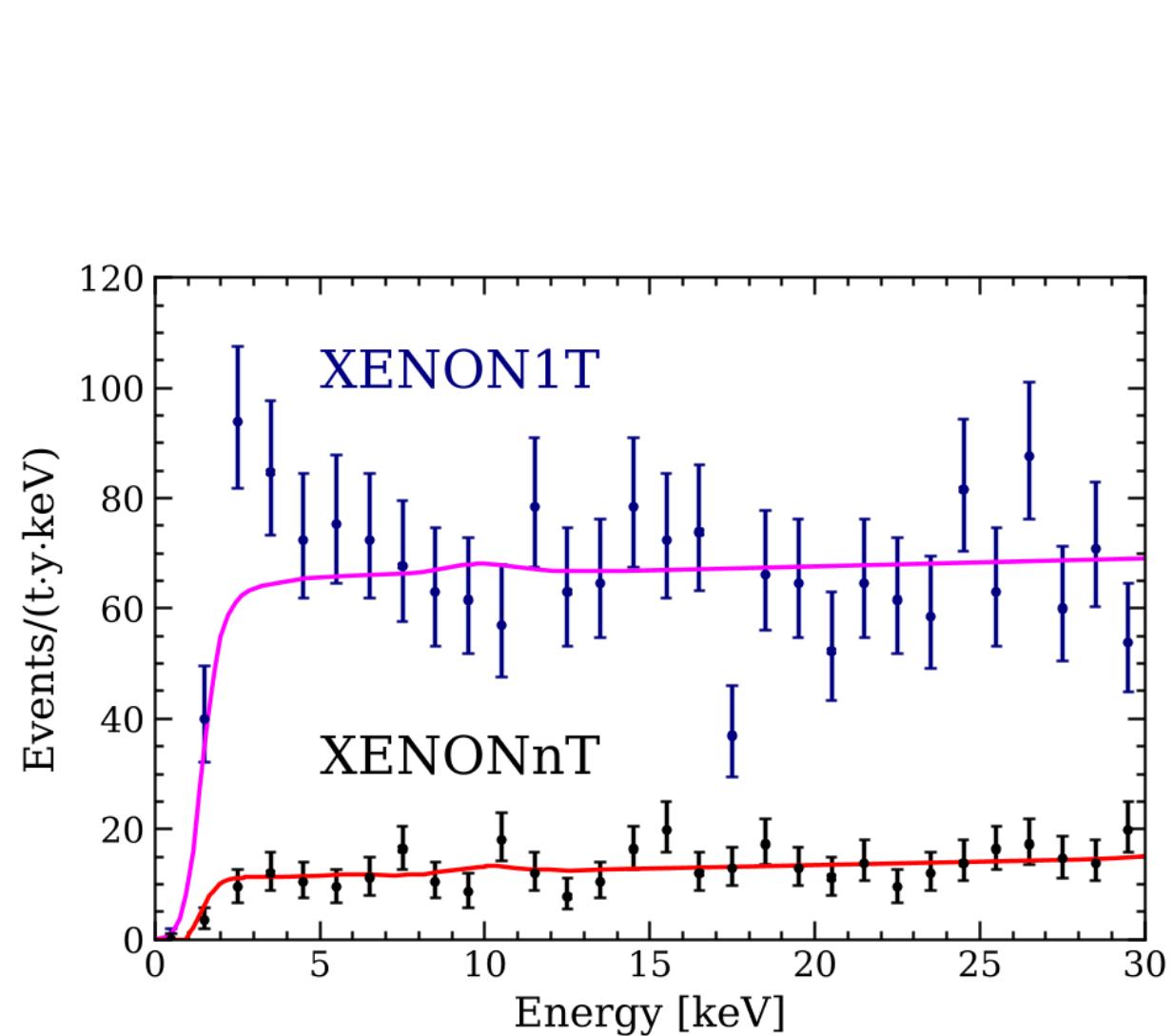
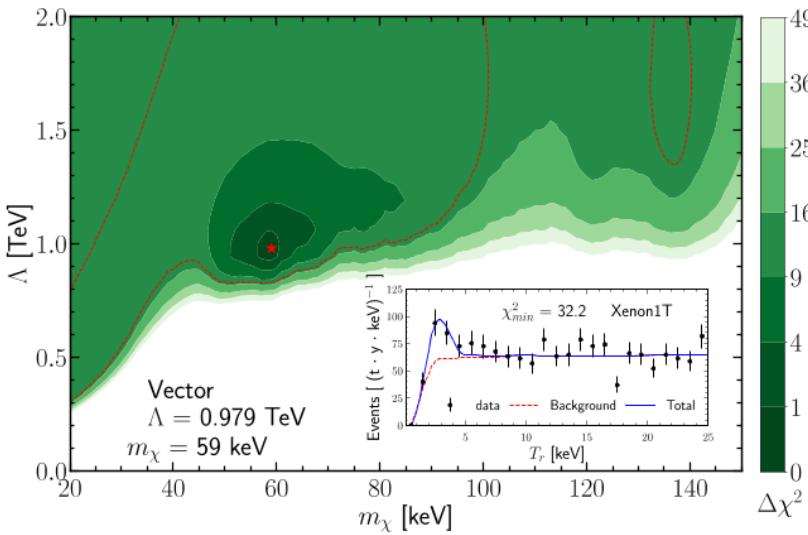
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Xenon1T excess

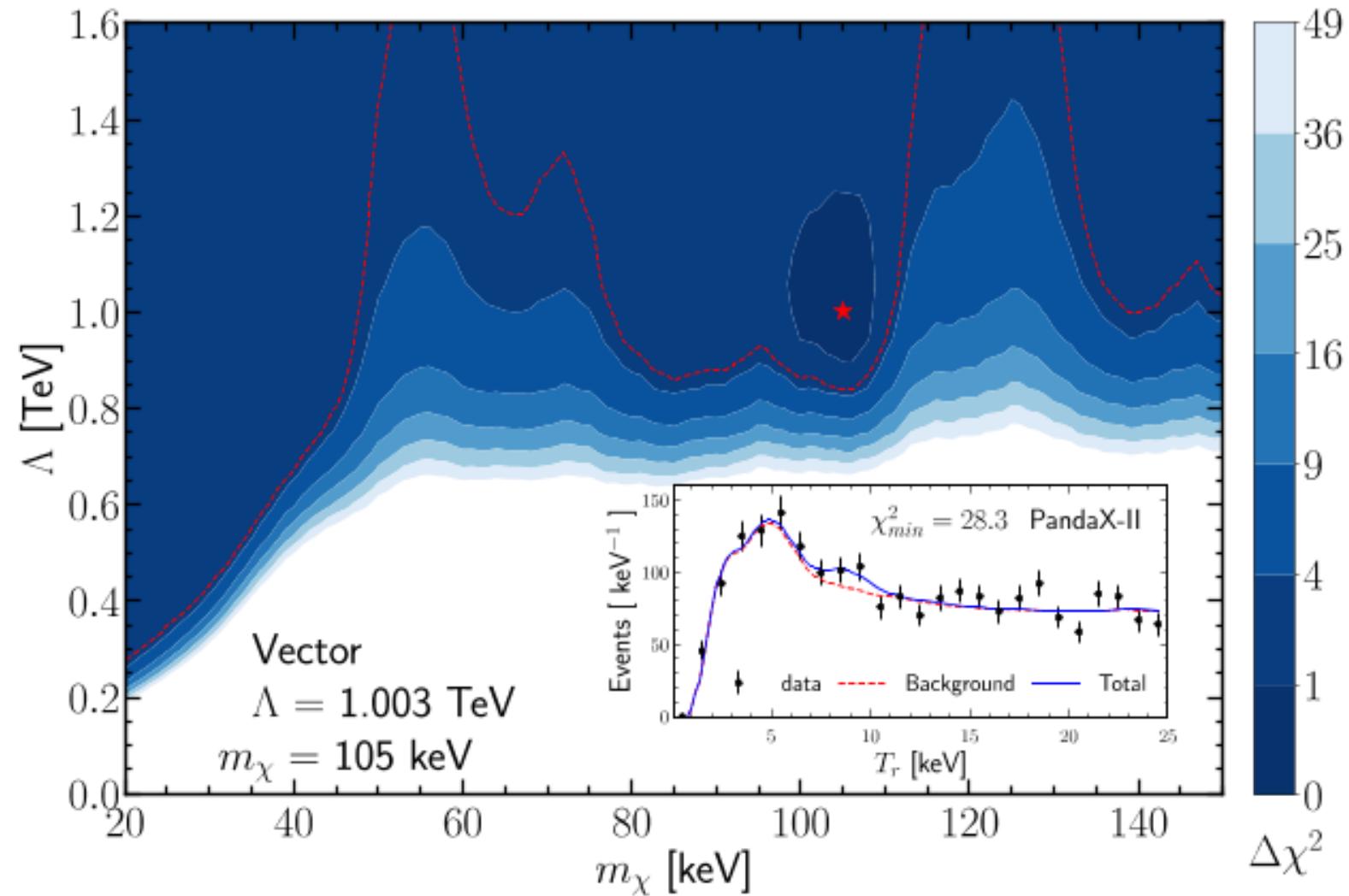


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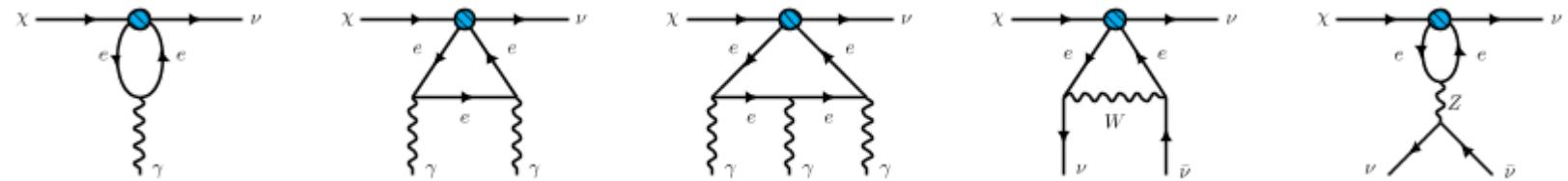


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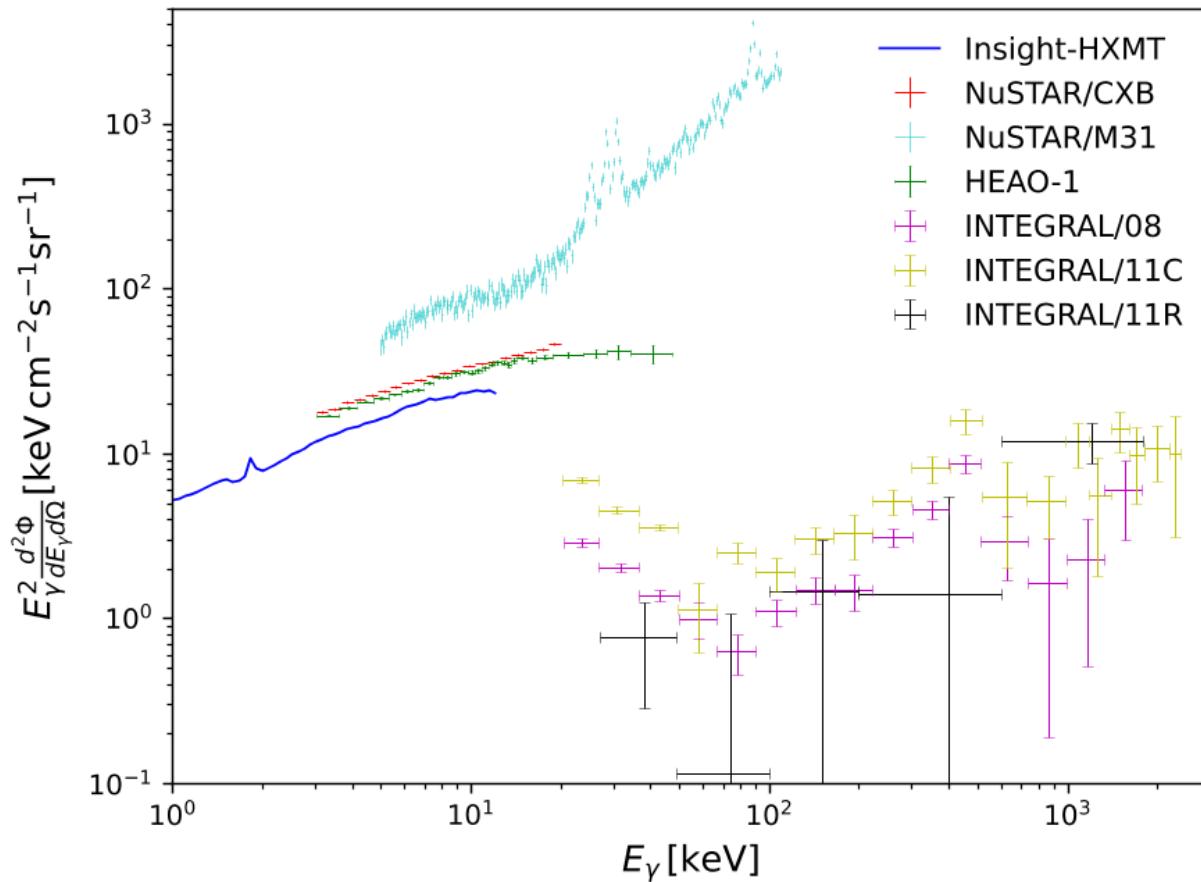
Visible & Invisible Decays



Operator \ Process	$\chi \rightarrow \nu\gamma$	$\chi \rightarrow \nu\gamma\gamma$	$\chi \rightarrow \nu\gamma\gamma\gamma$	$\chi \rightarrow 3\nu$
S: $\mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^S$	✗	✓	✗	✗
P: $\mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^P$	✗	✓	✗	✗
V: $\mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^V$	✗	✗	✓	✓
A: $\mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^A$	✗	✓	✗	✓
T: $\mathcal{O}_{e\nu\chi}^T$	✓	✗	✗!	✗!

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Astro Observations



- Galactic

$$\frac{d^2\Phi_\gamma}{dE_\gamma d\Omega} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{d\Gamma_\chi}{dE_\gamma} \int_{\text{l.o.s.}}^{s_{\max}} \frac{\rho_\chi(r)}{m_\chi} ds$$

- Extra-Galactic

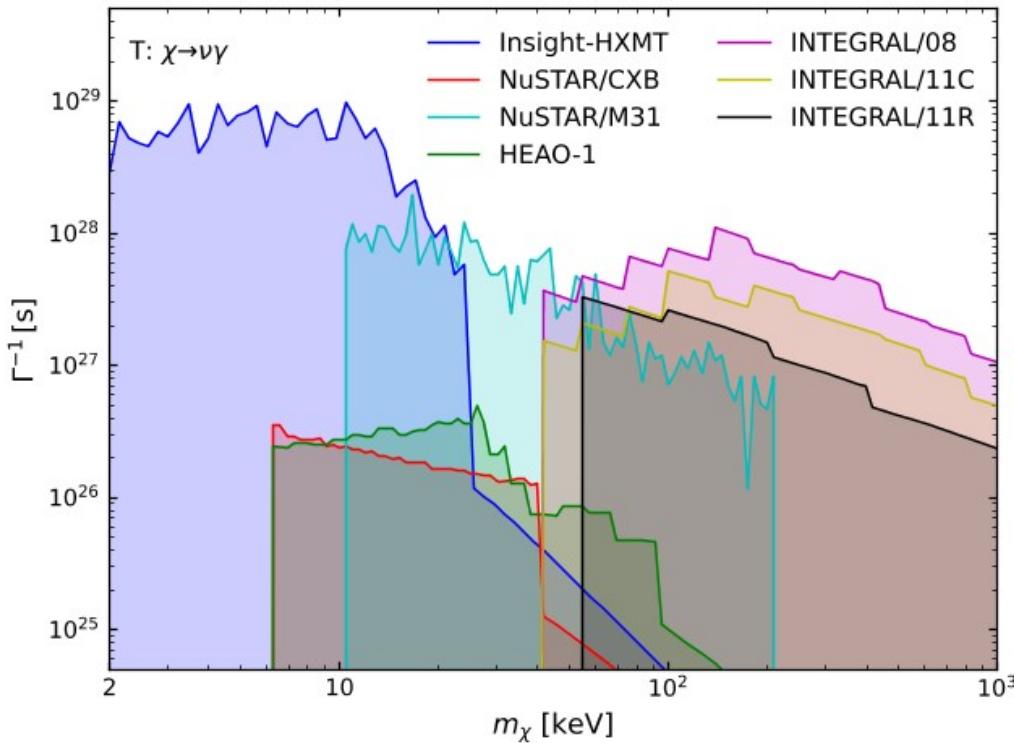
$$\frac{d^2\Phi_r^{\text{EG}}}{dE_\gamma d\Omega} = \frac{\Omega_{\text{DM}} \rho_c}{4\pi m_\chi H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m}} \int_0^\infty \frac{d\Gamma_\chi}{dE_\gamma(z)} \frac{dz}{\sqrt{\kappa + (1+z)^3}}$$

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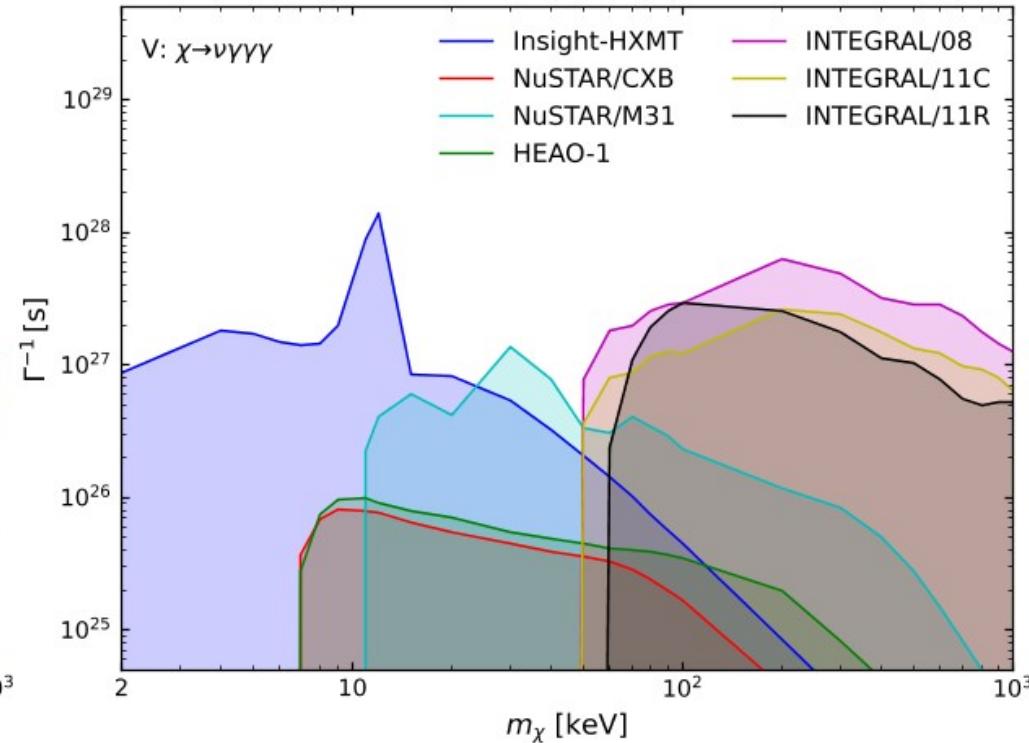
Astro Constraints

$$N_i^{\text{th}} \leq N_i^{\text{obs}} \equiv A_{\text{eff}} T_{\text{obs}} \Delta \Omega \left(\frac{d^2 \Phi_\gamma}{dE_\gamma d\Omega} \right)_{\text{exp}@95\%}^i \Delta E_i$$

- Mono-energetic γ

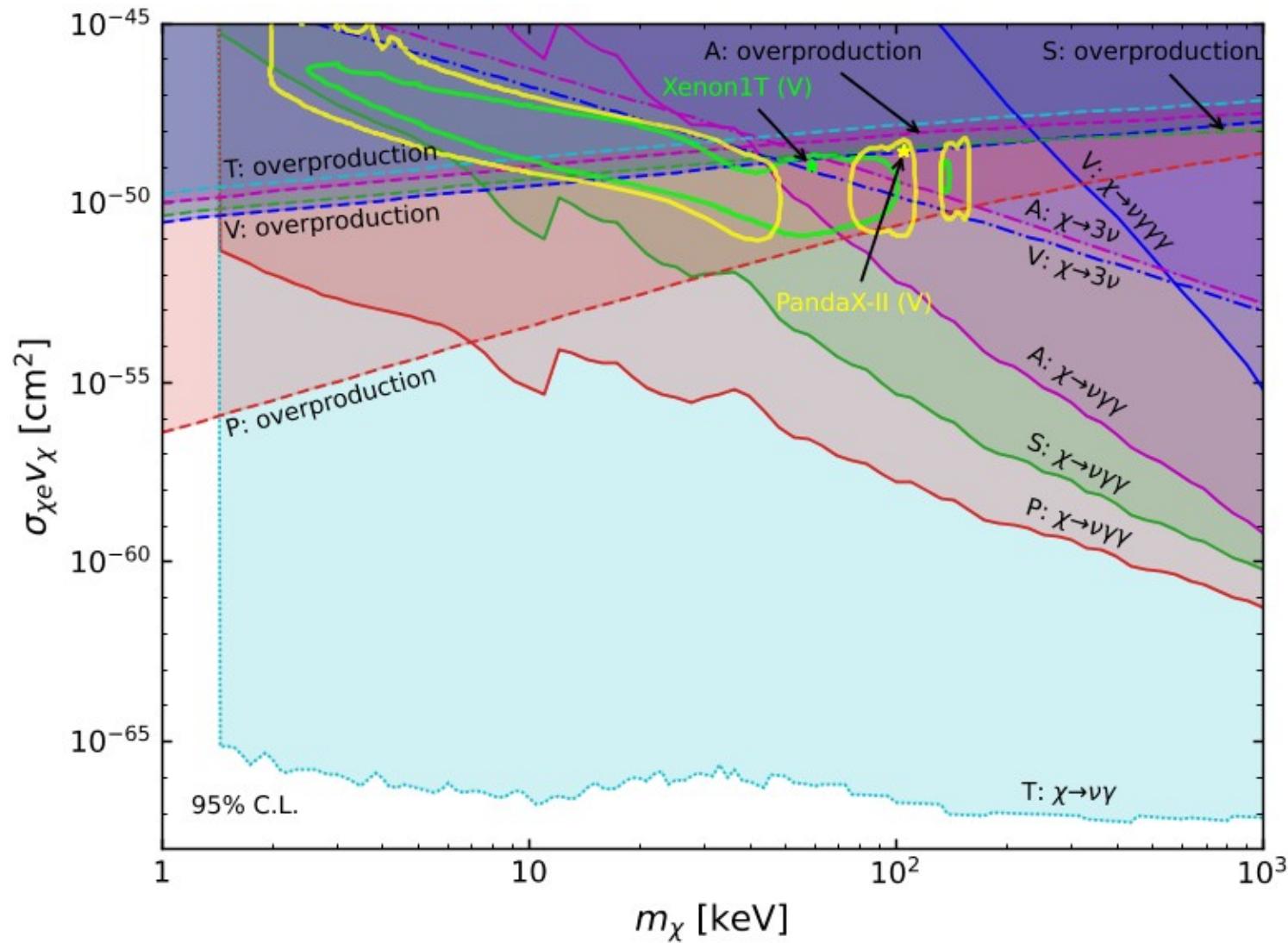


- Continuous Spectrum



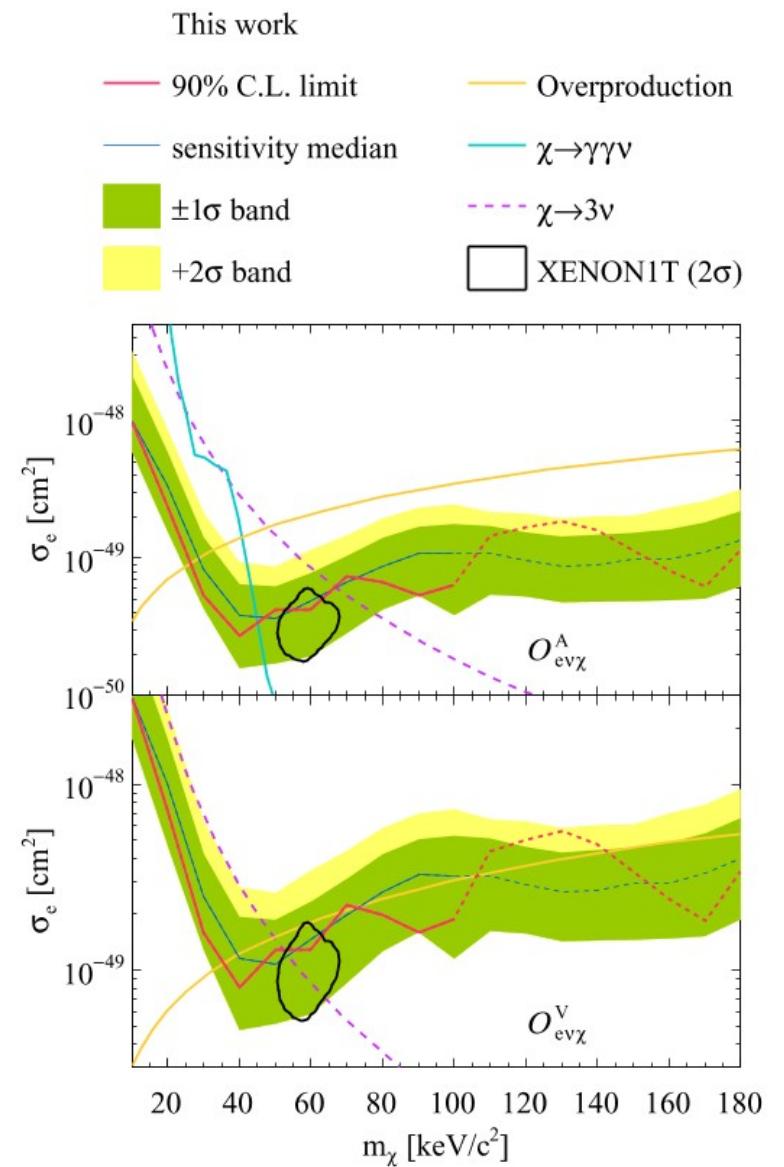
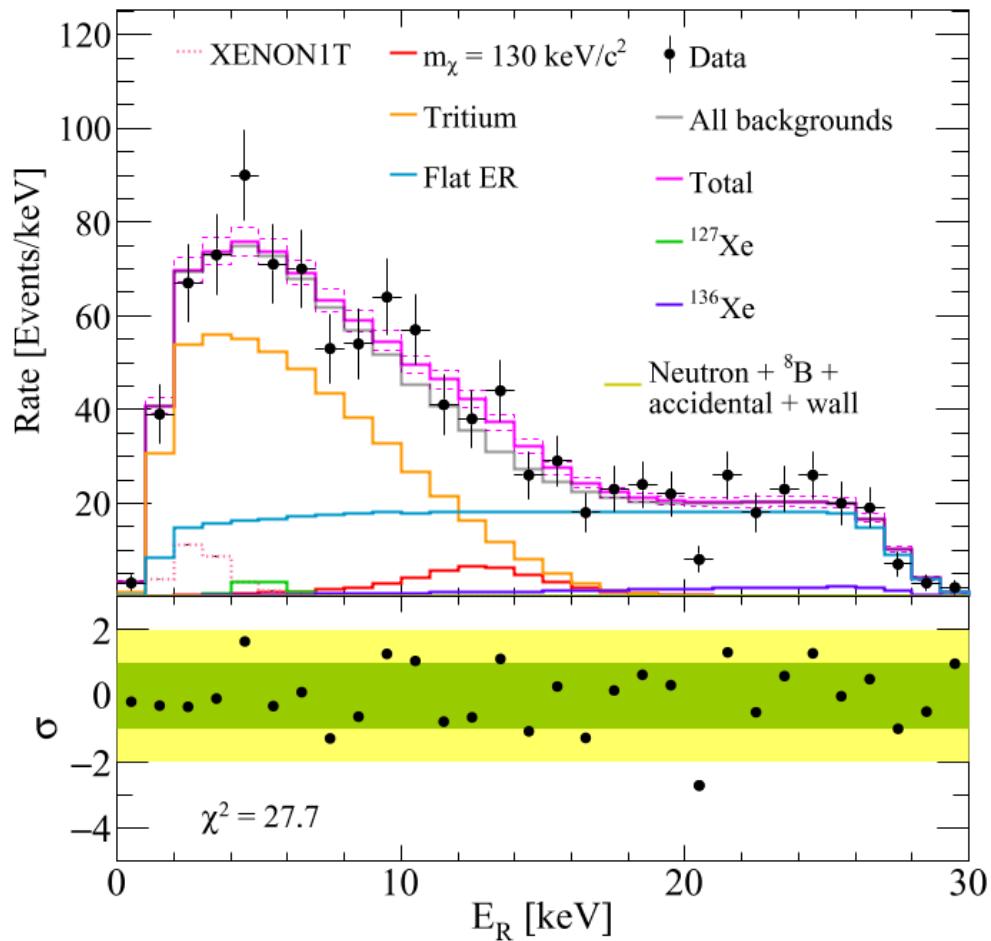
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PandaX-4T Results



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1) How to exhaust the sub-GeV range?

2) **Cosmic ray boosted DM & diurnal modulation**

- Can happen as long as DM scatters with nuclei
- Large recoil
- Diurnal modulate as prominent feature

3) **Fermionic DM absorption**

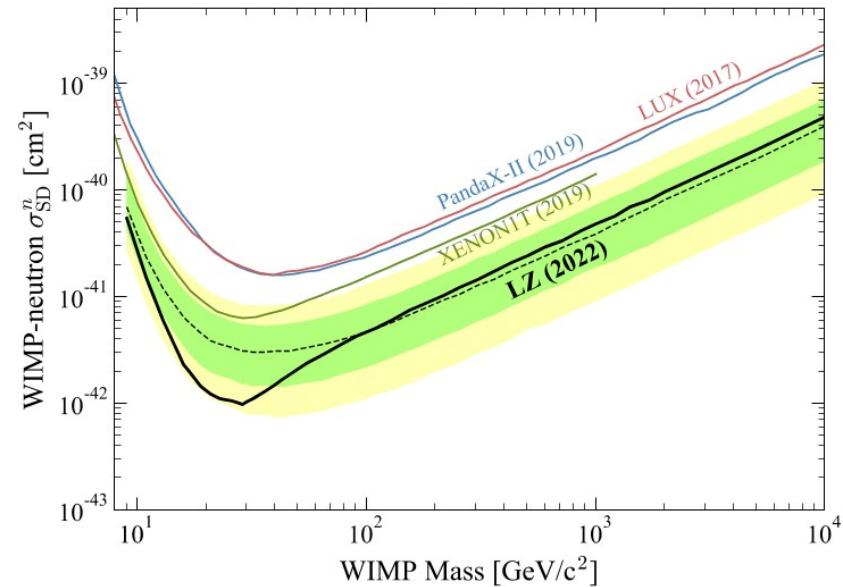
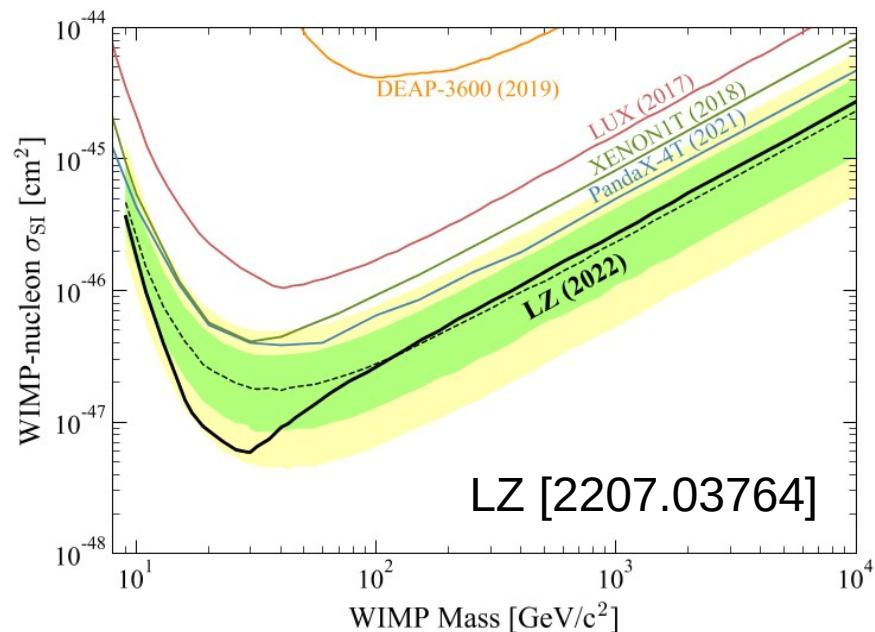
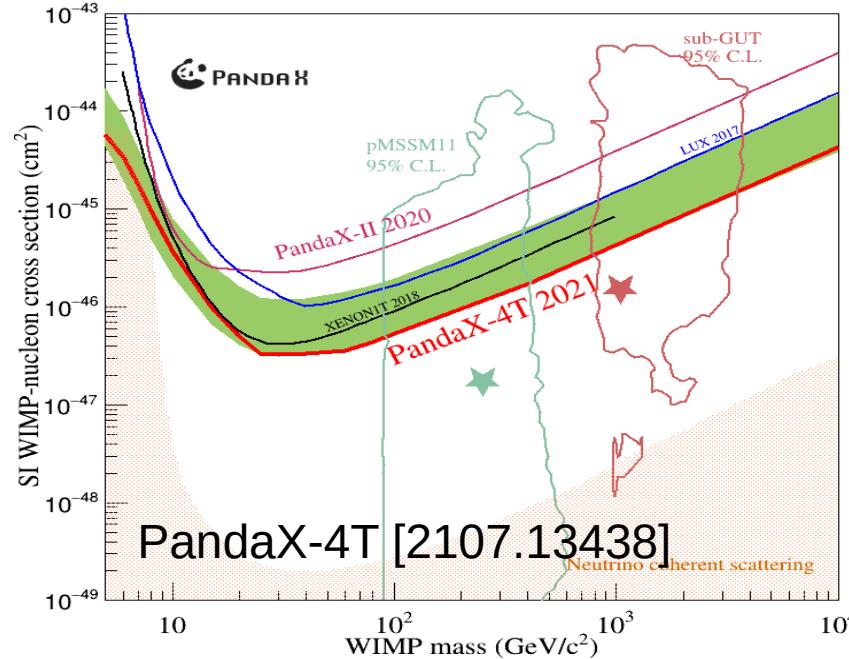
- Efficient energy release
- Peak shape by atomic effects



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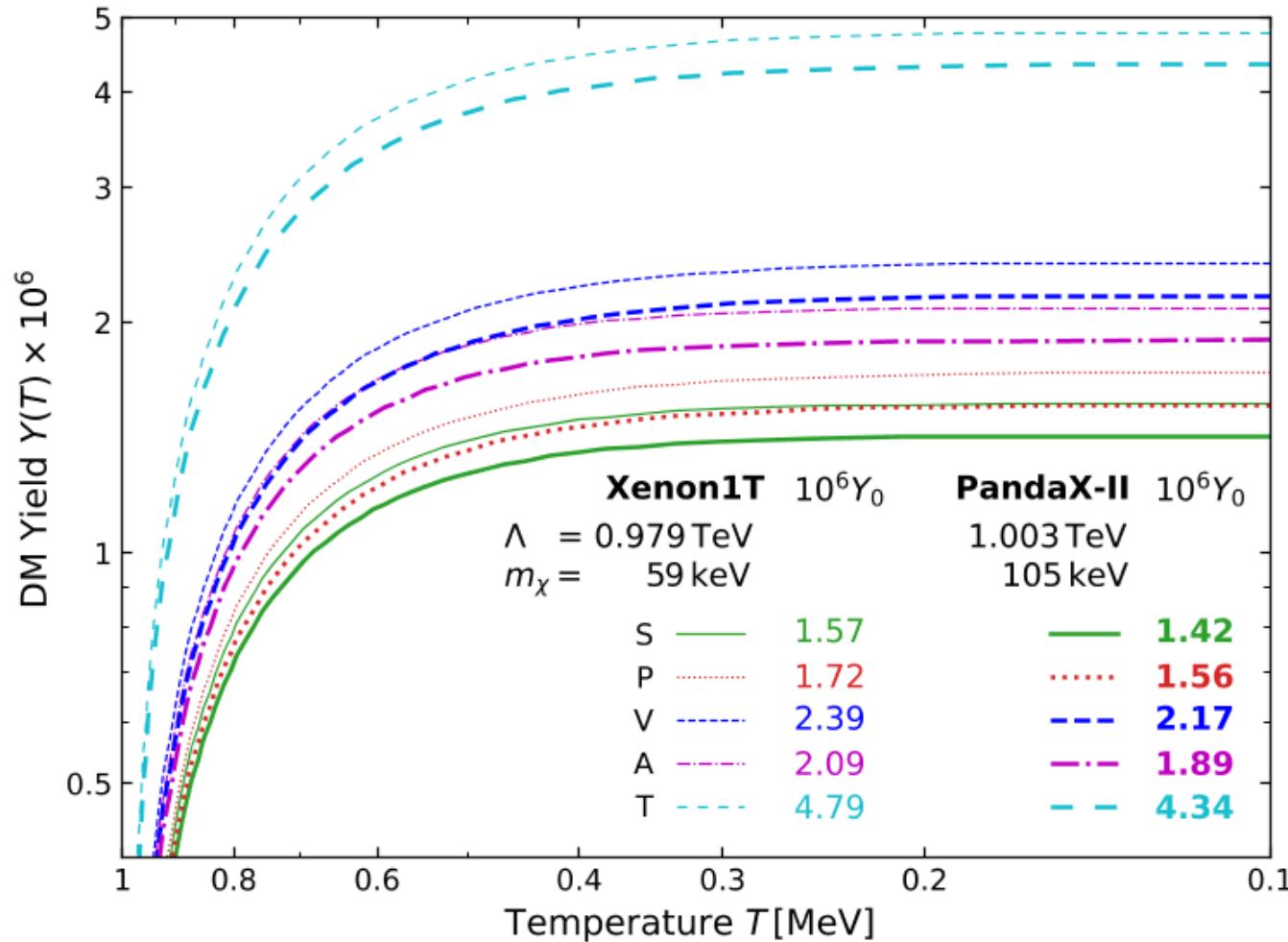
Thank You

Current Sensitivity



Overproduction

$$\frac{dn_\chi}{dt} + 3Hn_\chi = \langle v_{\text{M}\ddot{\text{o}}\text{l}} \sigma_{e^+ e^-} \rangle n_{e^+}^{\text{eq}} n_{e^-}^{\text{eq}}$$



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