

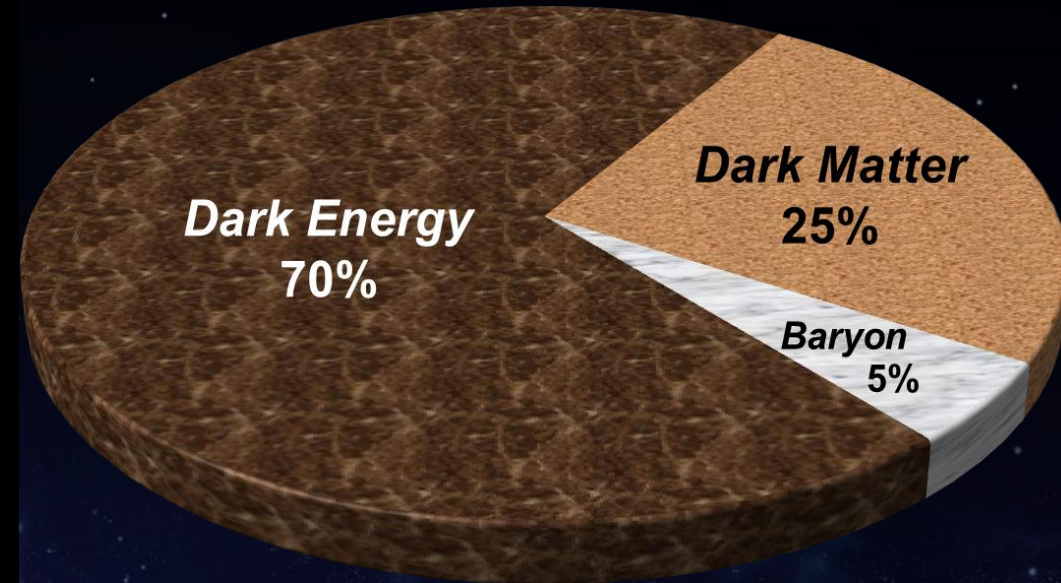
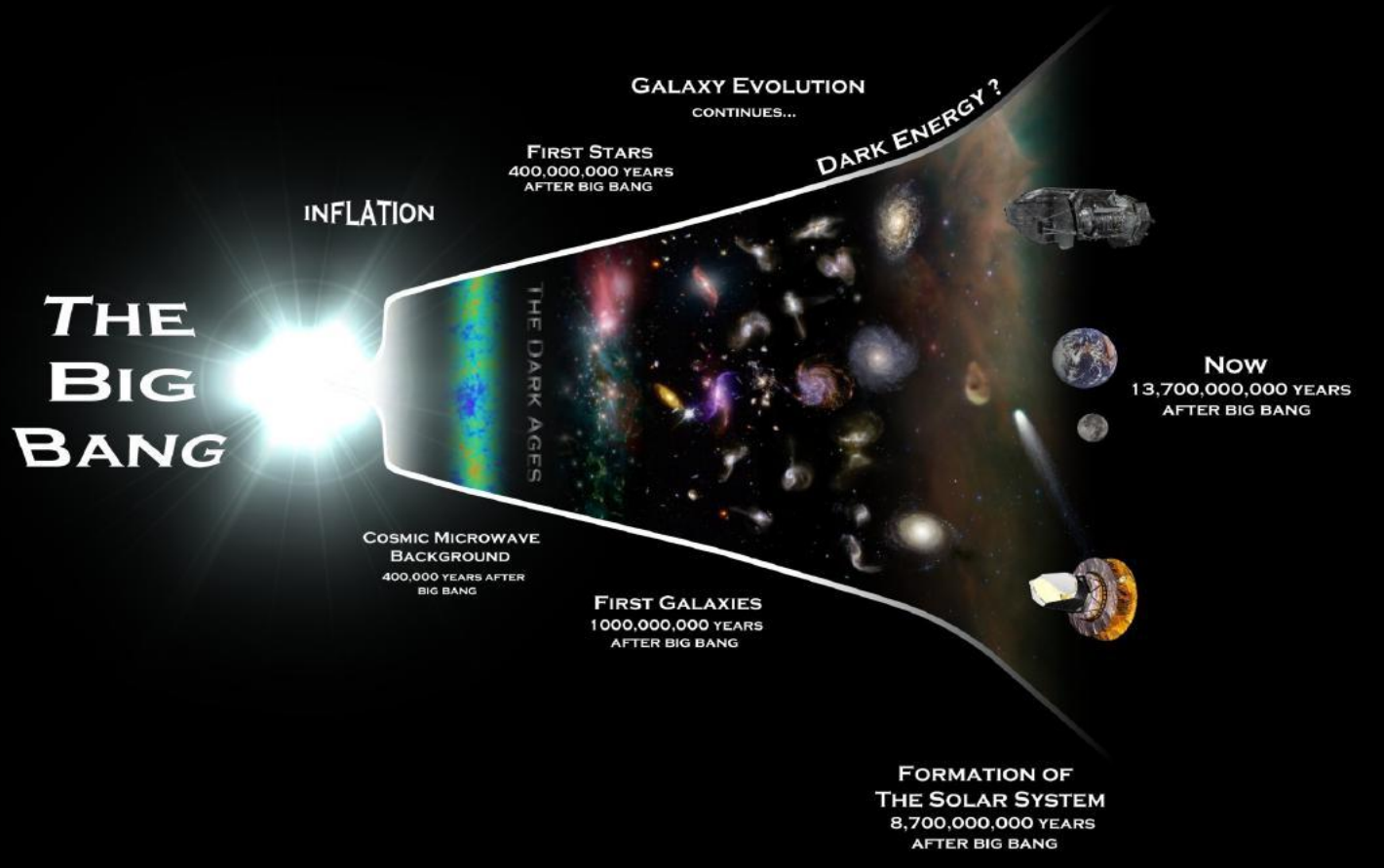
# Probing Dark Matter Particles with Astronomical Observations

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# Standard cosmology

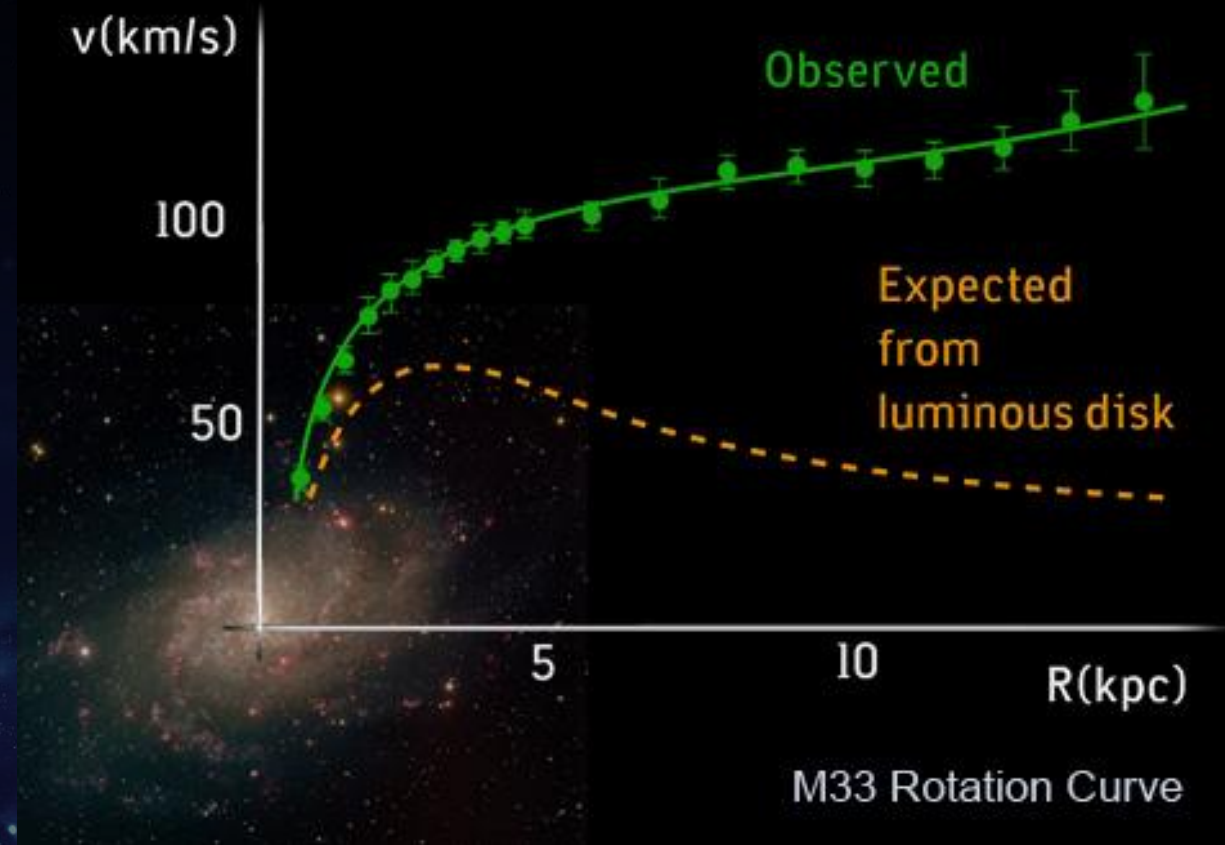
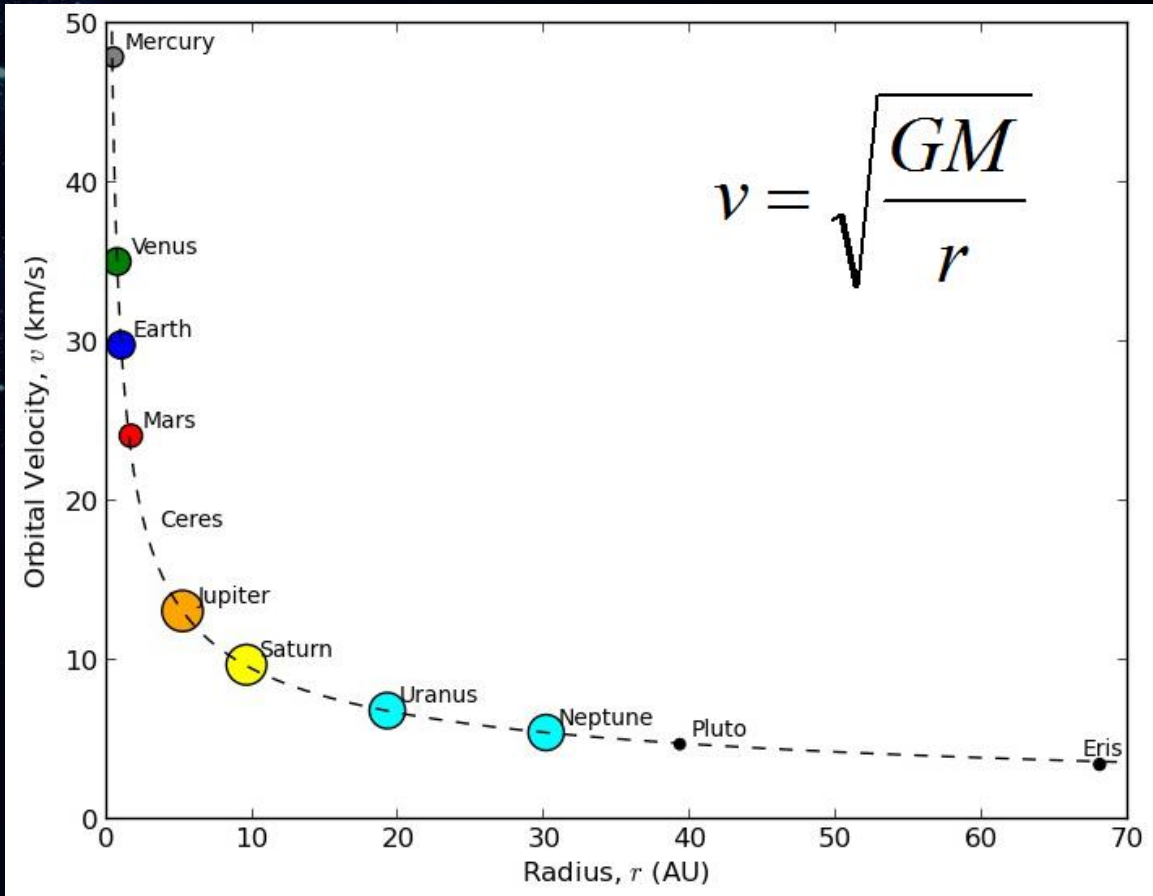


# Why we need dark matter?

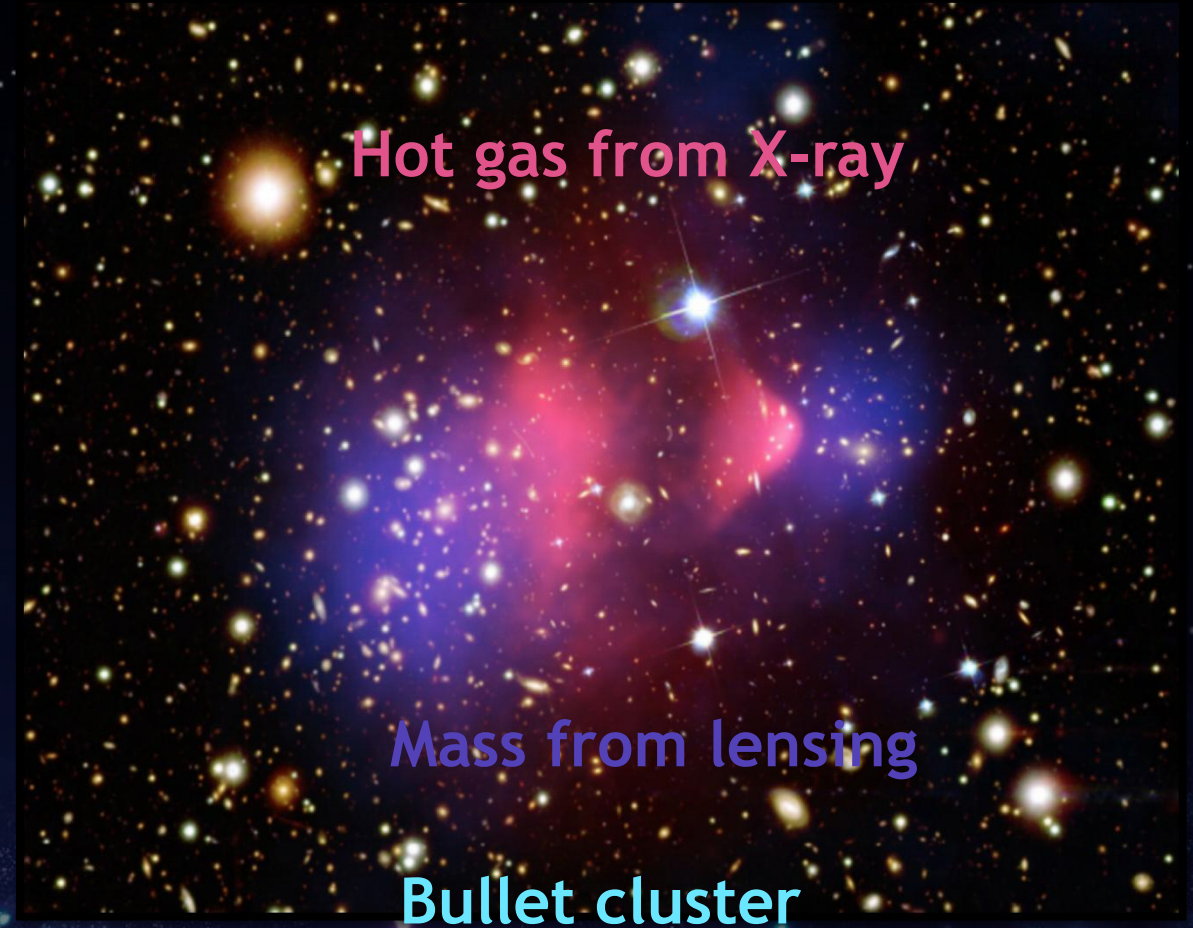


Rotation curve of planets orbiting the Sun

Rotation curve of a Galaxy



# Why we need dark matter?

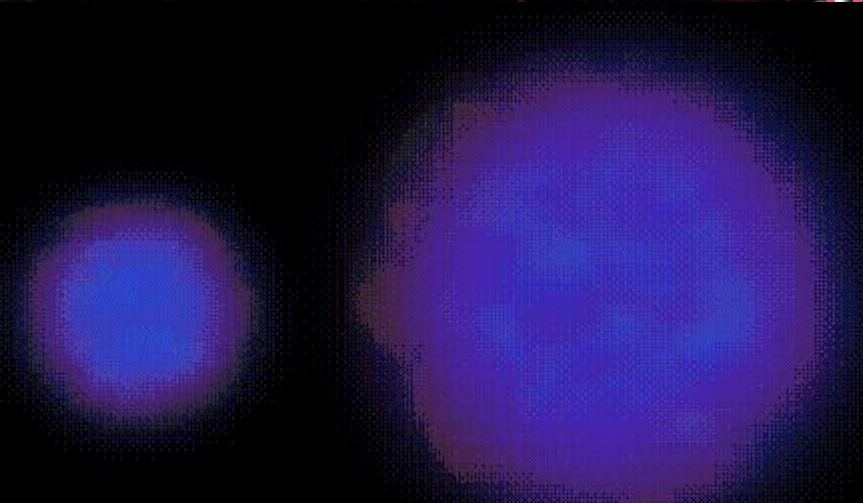


Clowe et al. (2006)

# Why we need dark matter?



Gravitational lensing



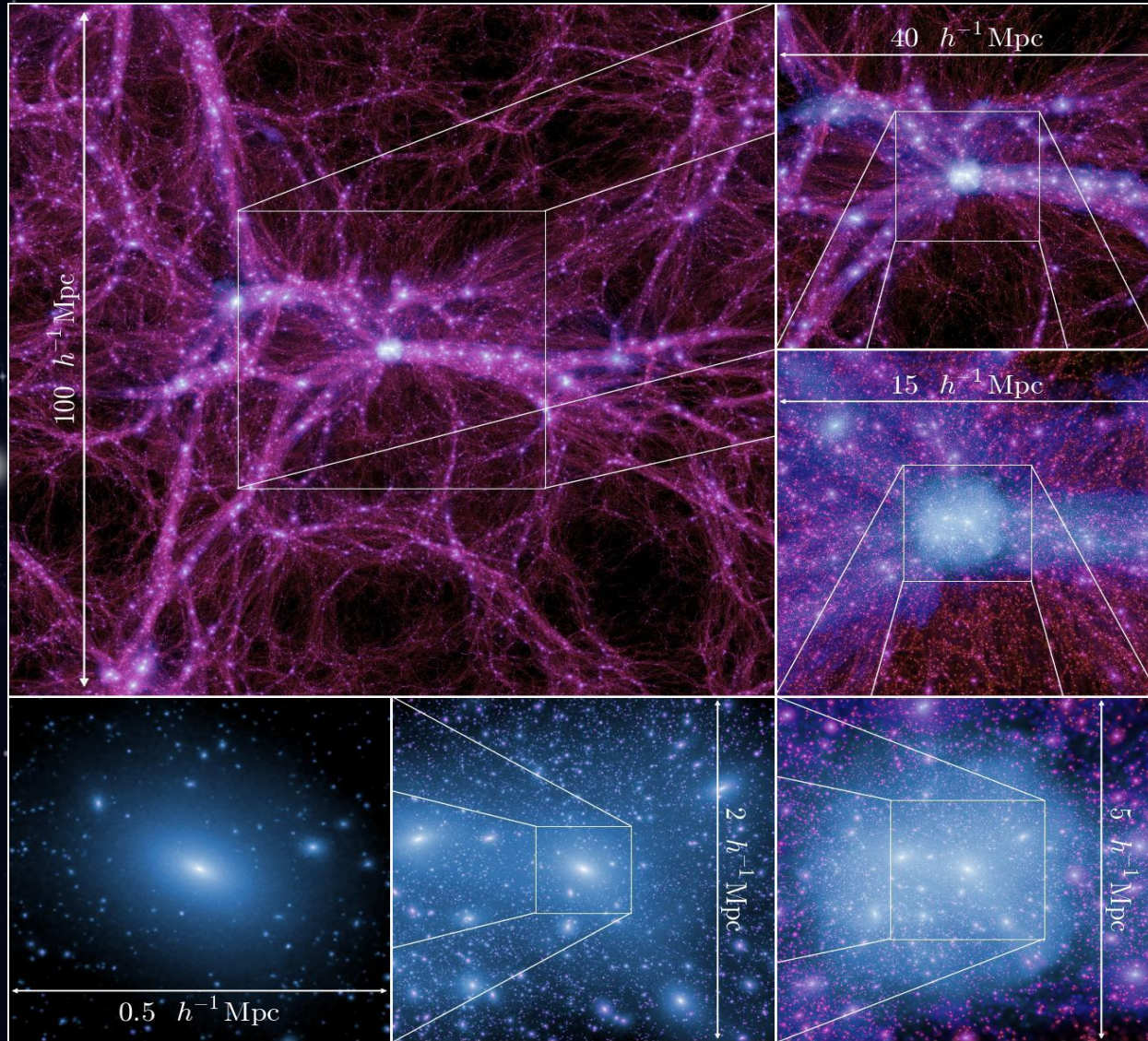
Mass from lensing

Bullet cluster



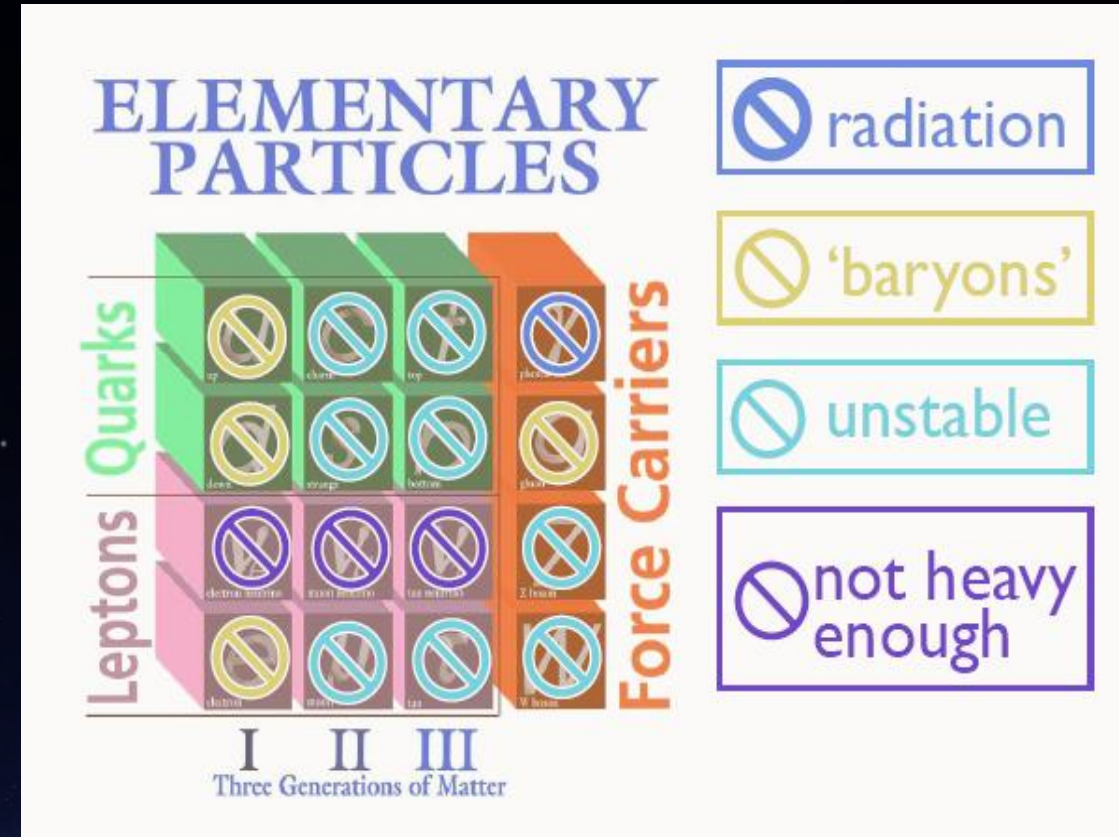
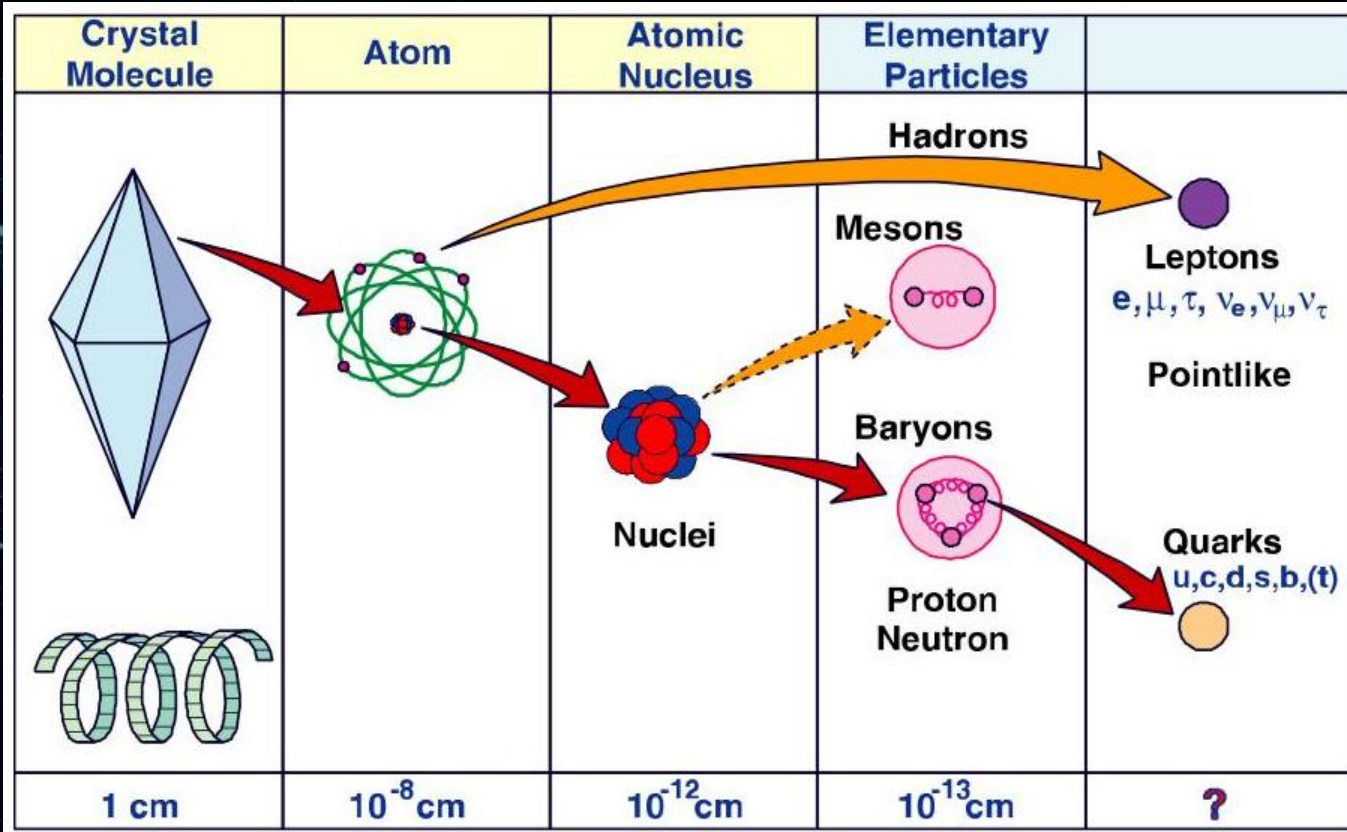
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# Dark matter in the Universe



- DM interacts very weakly. It does not affect phenomena at small scales, but governs the dynamics of galaxies and Universe at large scales
- DM distributes inhomogeneously in the Universe, forming hierarchical structures
- The local density (around the solar system) of DM is 0.3 hydrogen mass per  $\text{cm}^3$
- Overall DM is 5 times more than ordinary matter, but its mass density is diverse everywhere

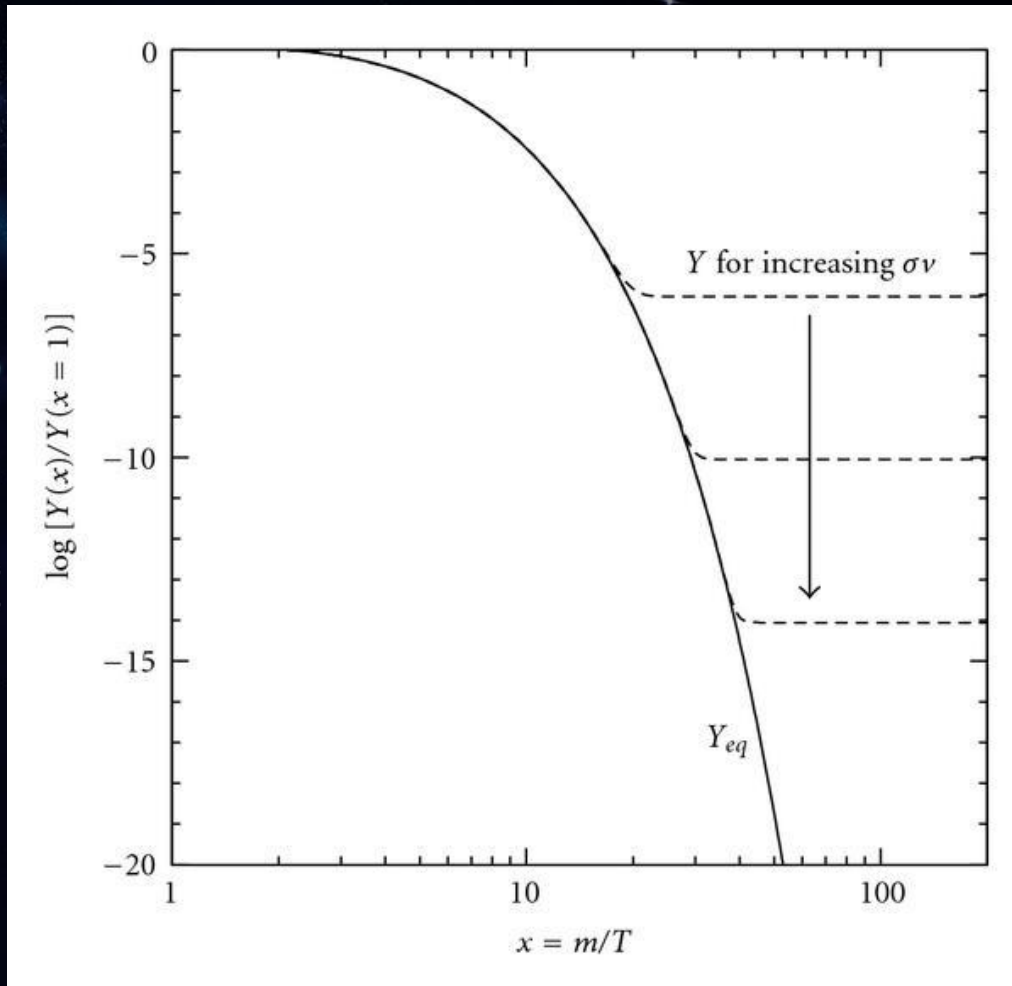
# Dark matter in physics



Fundamental particles (quarks and leptons) are bricks of matter. But none of the particle in the standard model can account for dark matter.

# Dark matter in physics

Garrett & Duta (2011)



$$\langle \sigma v \rangle \simeq \left( \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}}{\Omega_\chi h^2} \right)$$

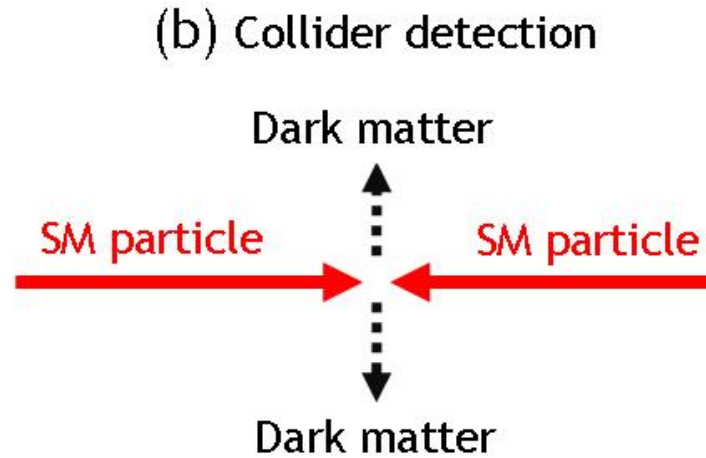
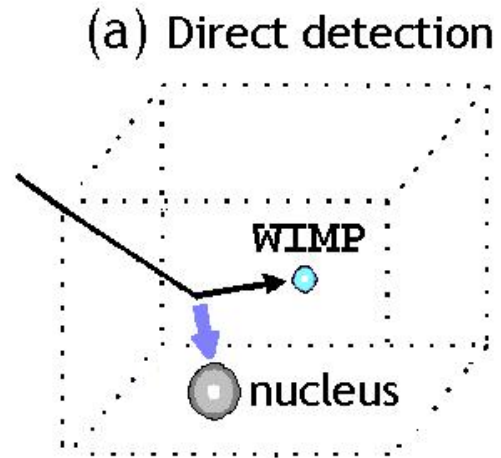
$\sigma \sim 10^{-35} \text{ cm}^2$   $\longrightarrow$  weak interaction

**WIMP miracle:** weakly interacting massive particles (WIMPs) as the most natural candidate of dark matter

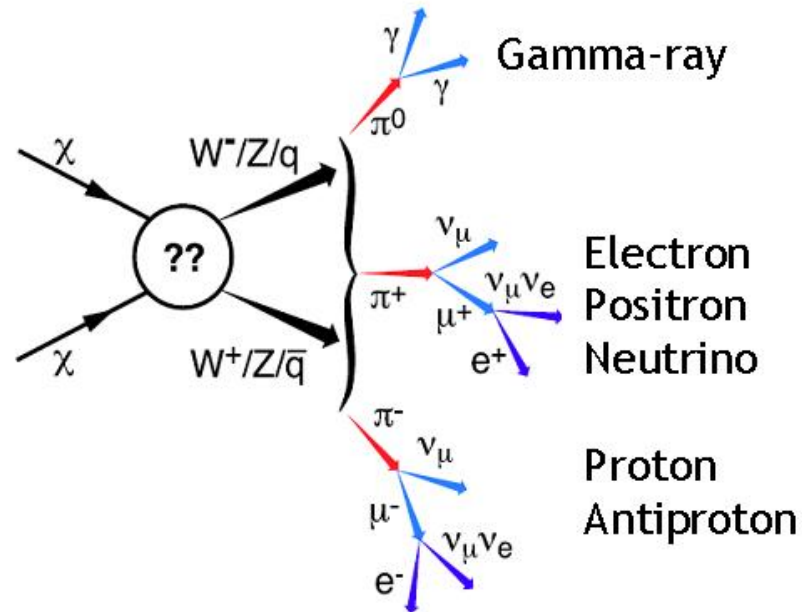
Testable for many high-energy physics experiments



# Detection of WIMP



(c) Indirect detection

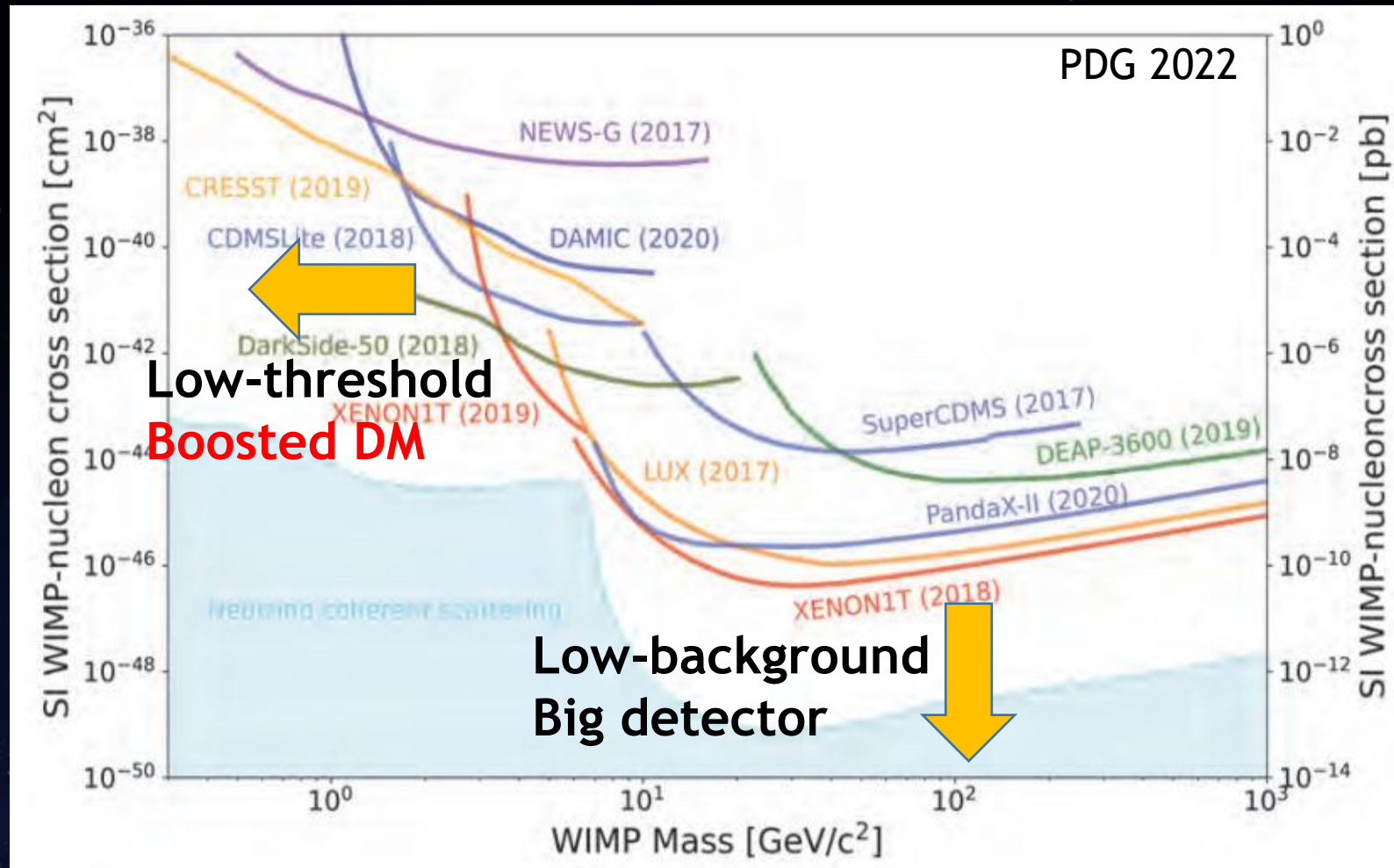
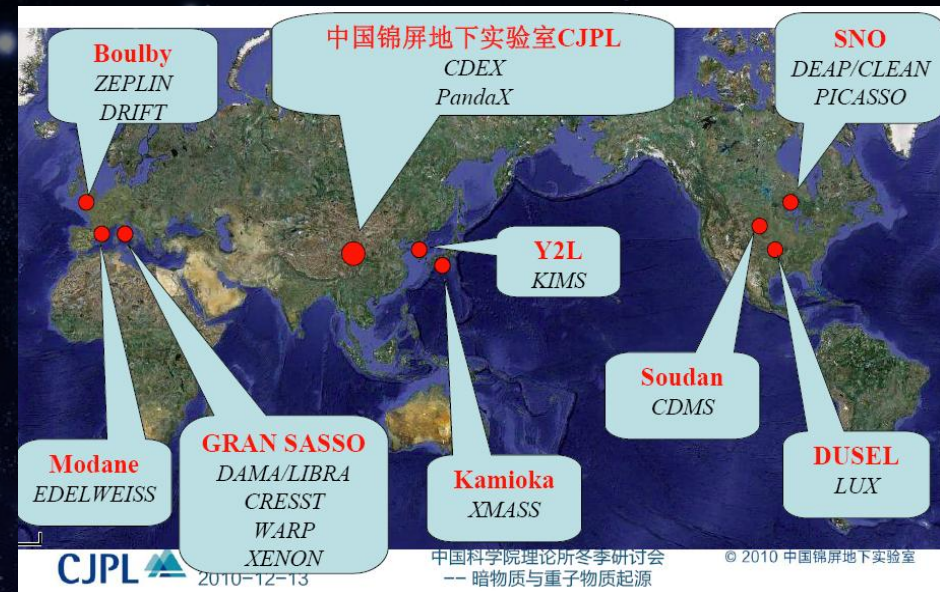


**Direct detection:** scattering between DM and SM

**Collider detection:** production of DM from SM

**Indirect detection:** production of SM from DM

# Status of WIMP direct detection



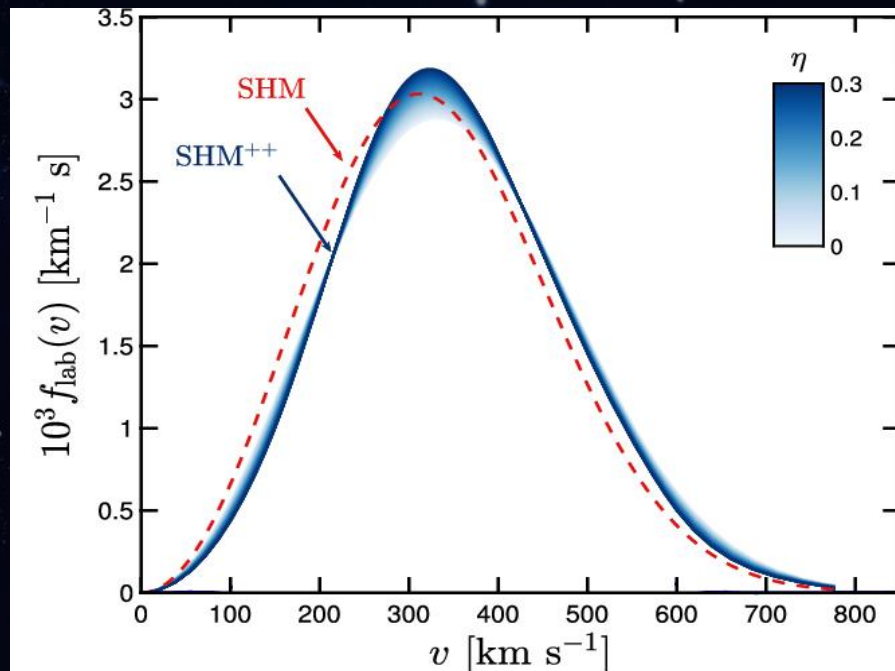
No convincing DM signal has been found in all these experiments, stringent constraints on the DM-SM interaction cross section are placed.

# Boost DM to high energies

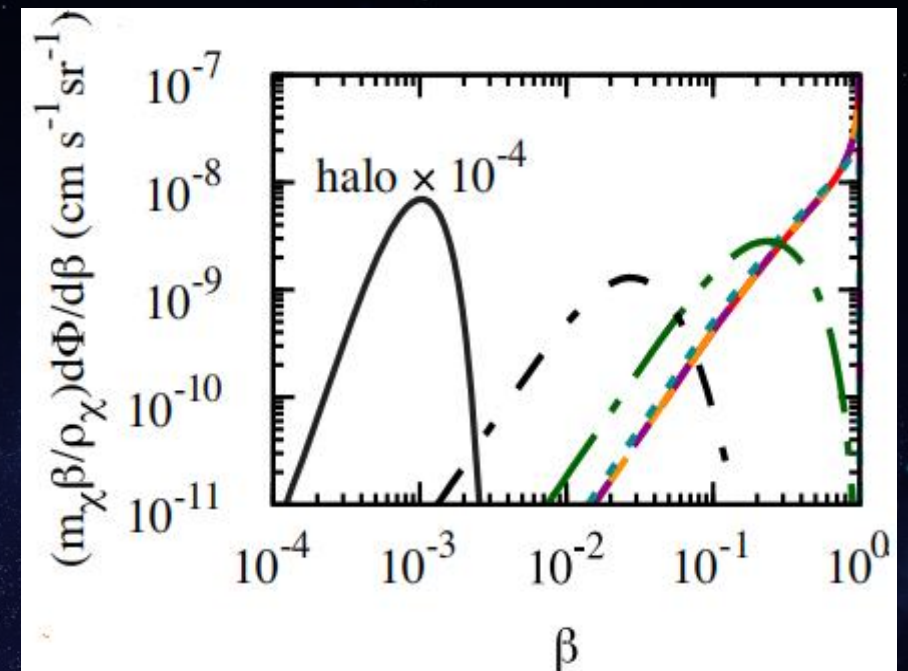
- Multi-component DM models

$$XX \rightarrow YY, X \rightarrow X' + \dots$$

- DM scattered by energetic particles

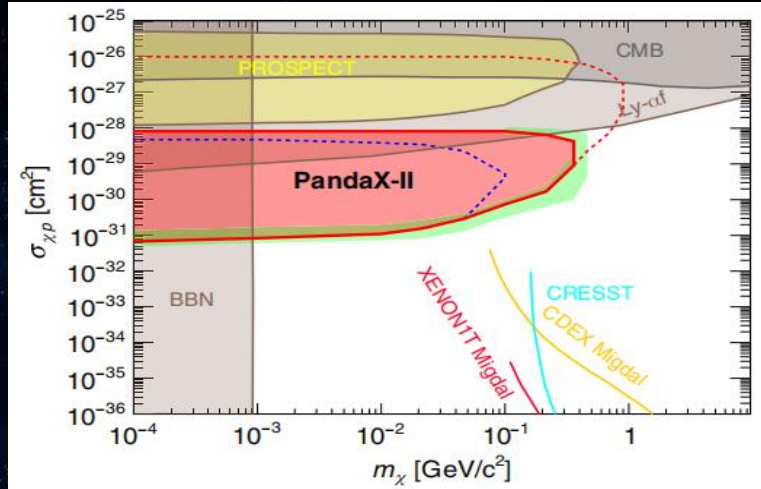


$$X + SM \rightarrow X' + SM$$

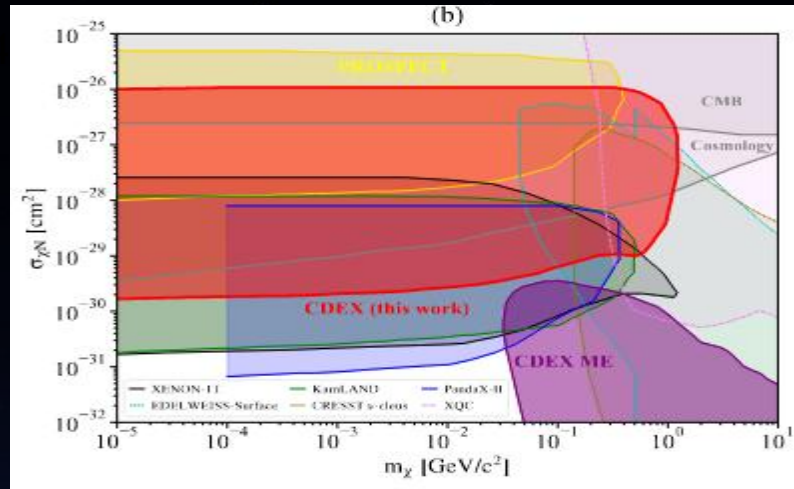


# Cosmic rays and other boosters of light DM

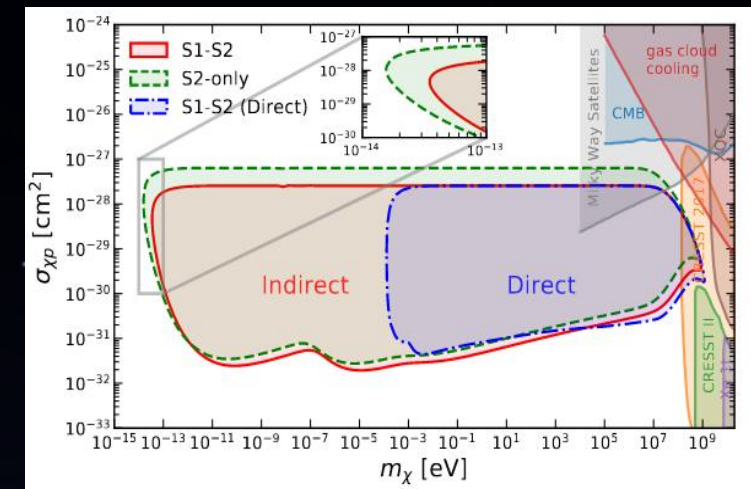
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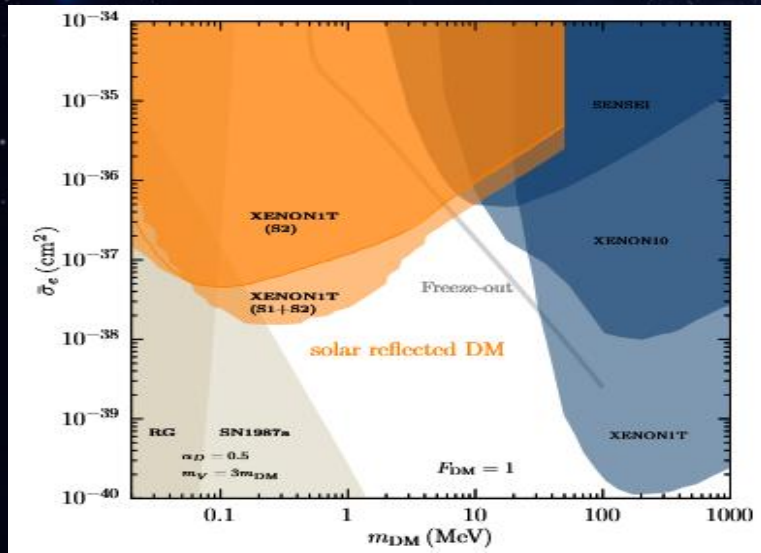
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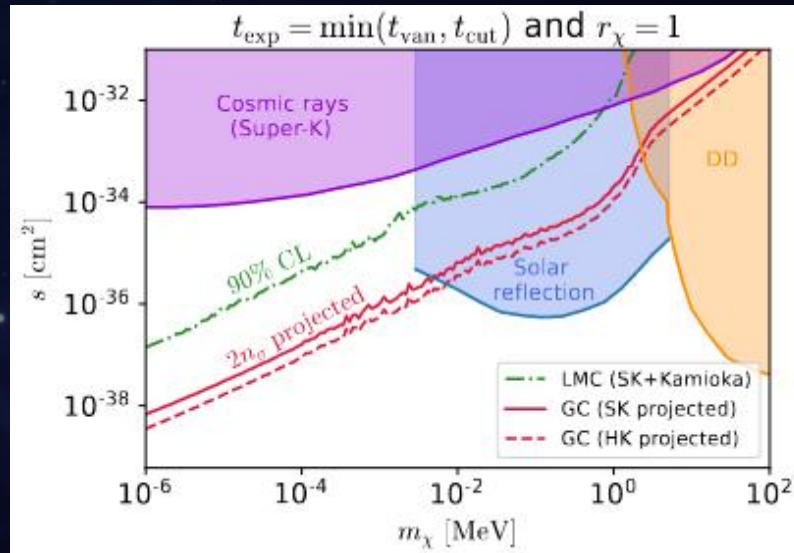
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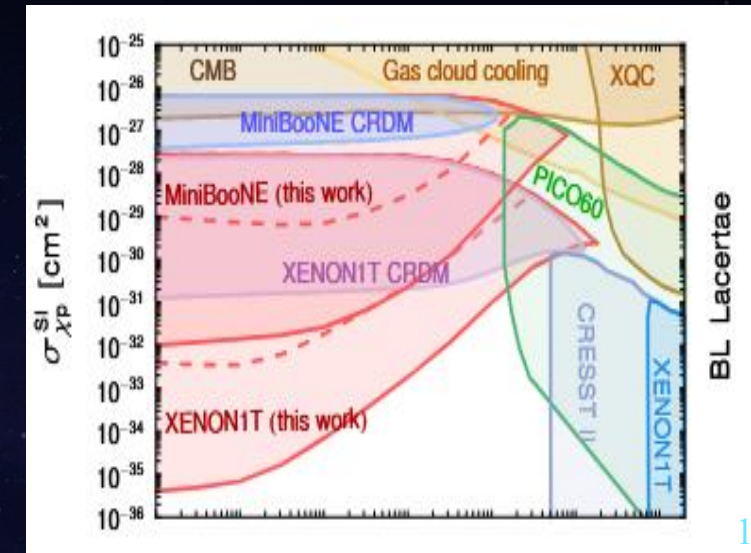
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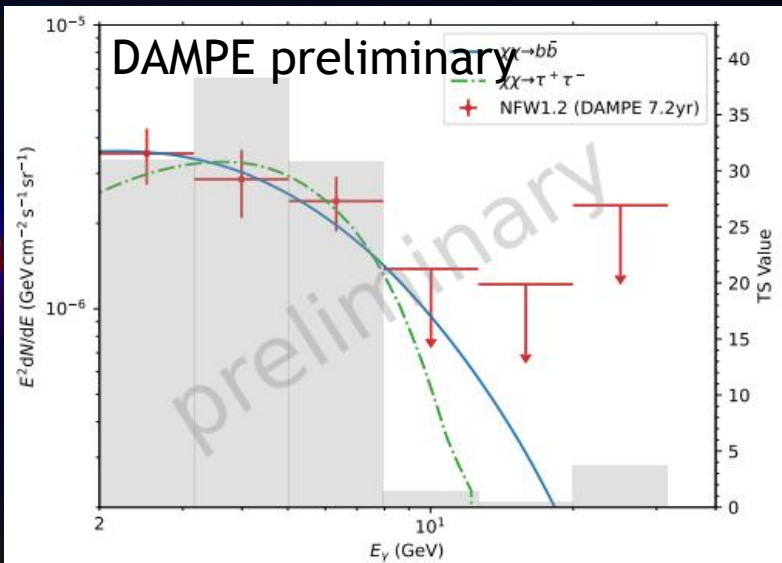
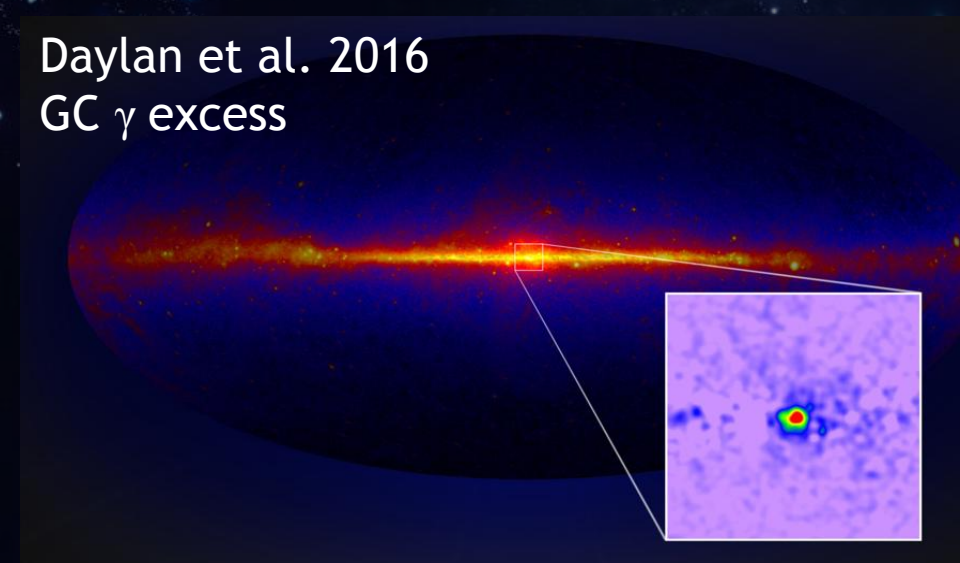
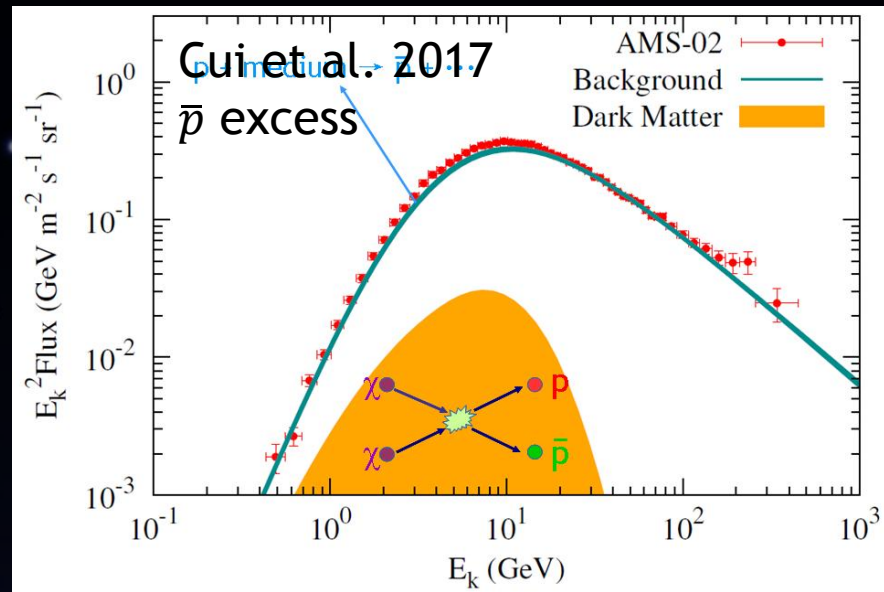
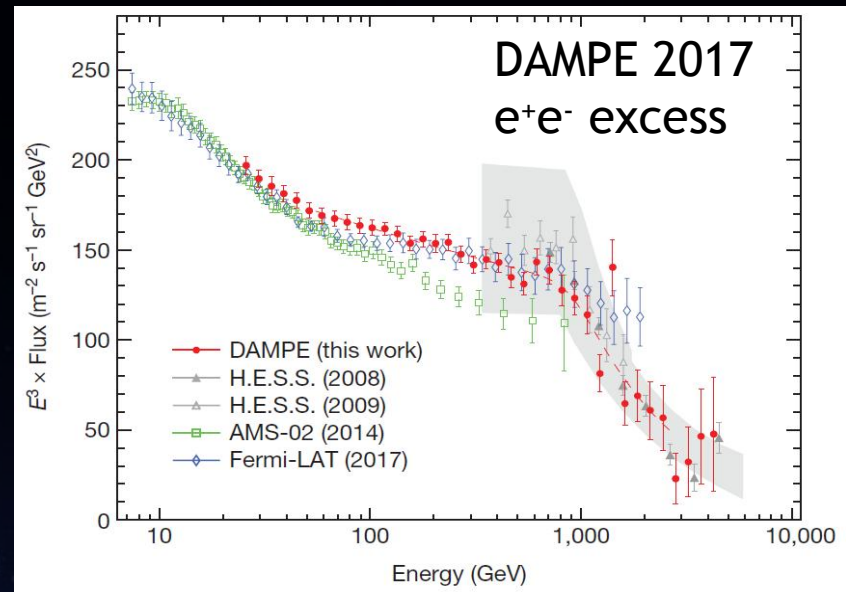
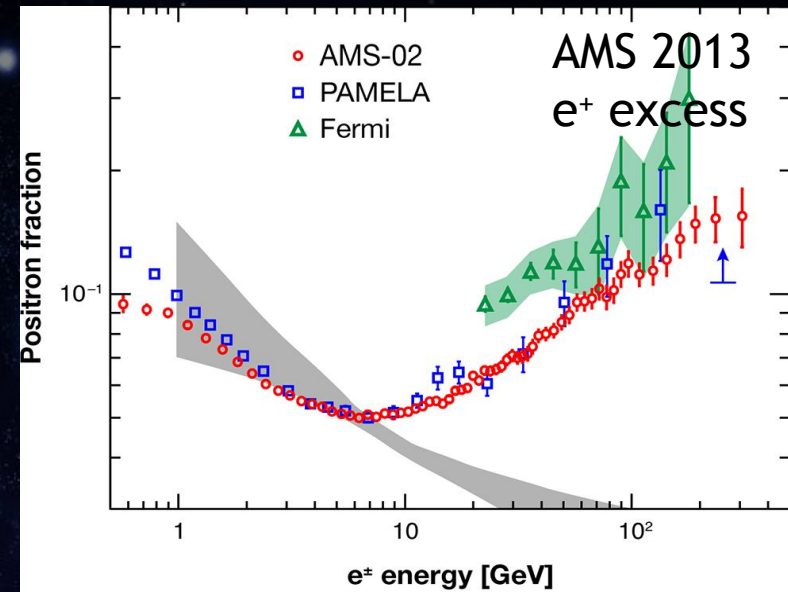
Lin+ 2023 (SN neutrino)



Wang+ 2022 (blazar)



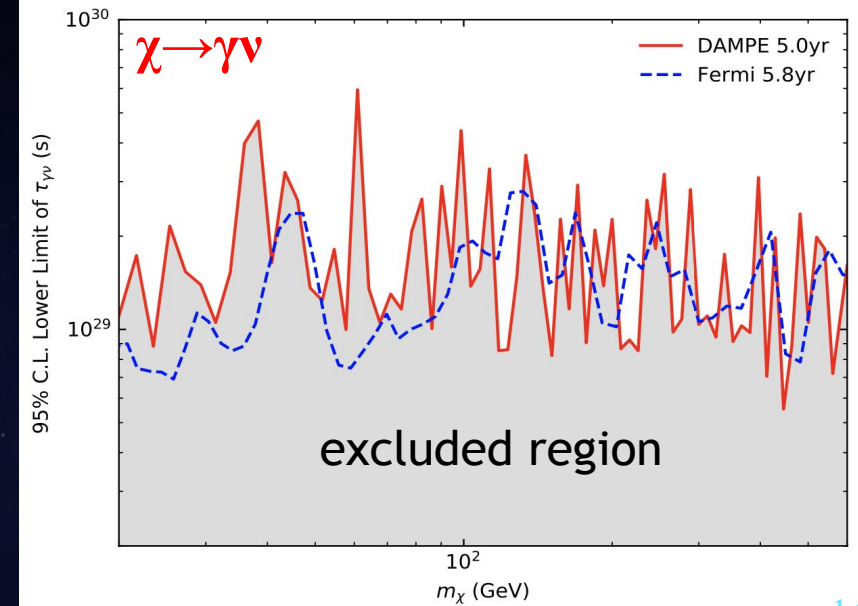
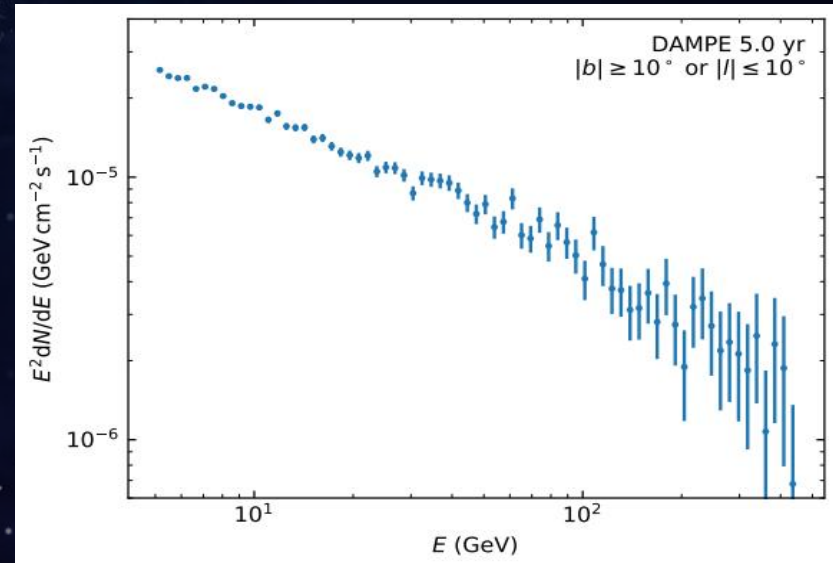
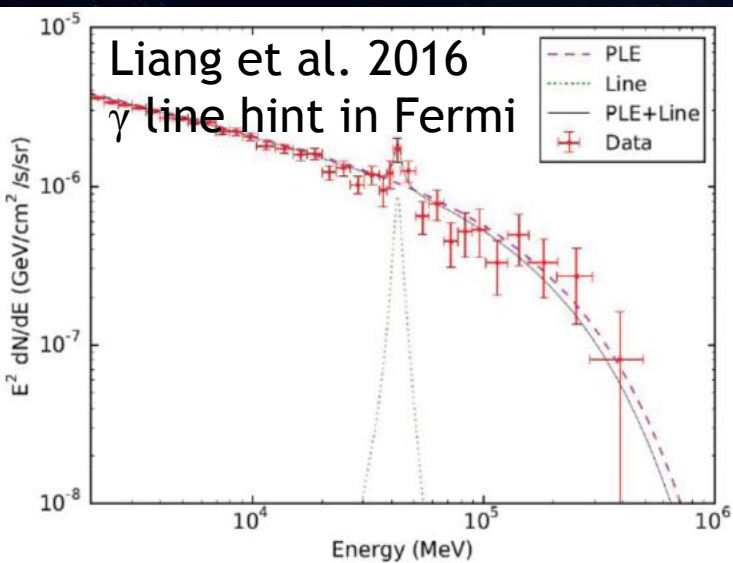
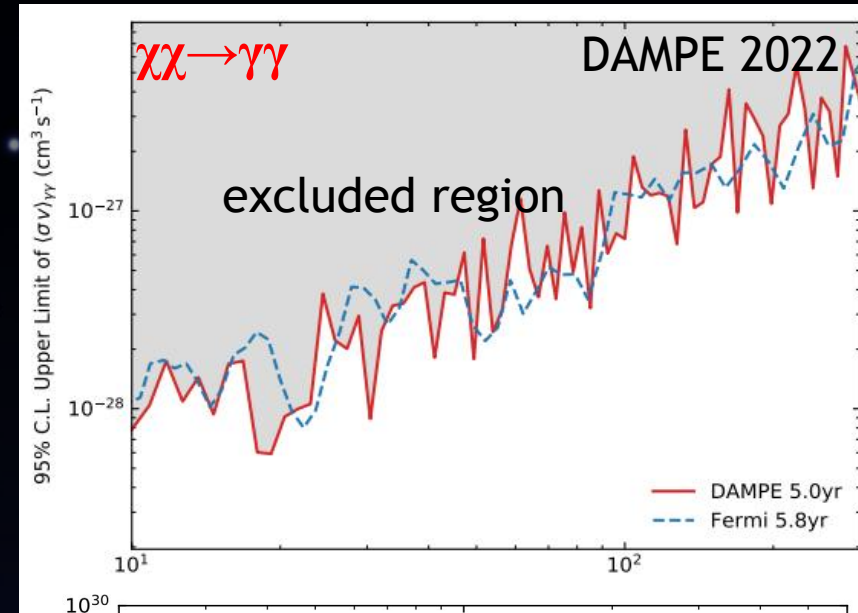
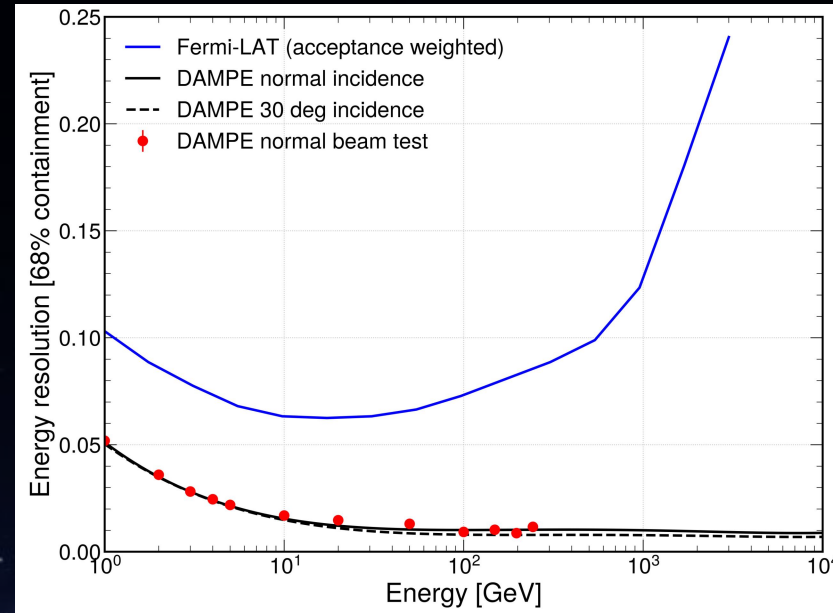
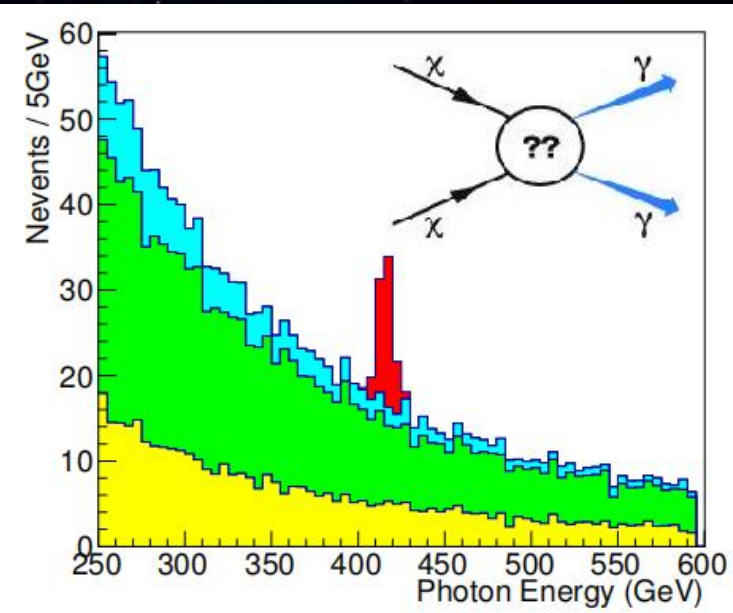
# Status of WIMP indirect detection



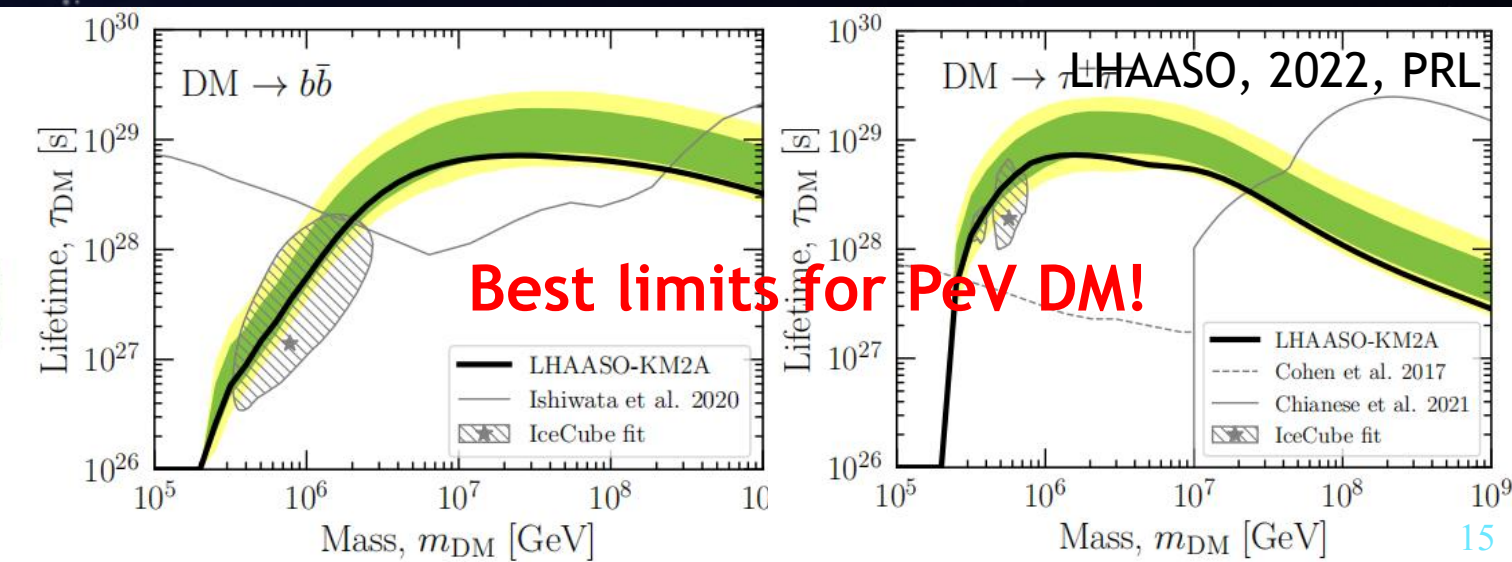
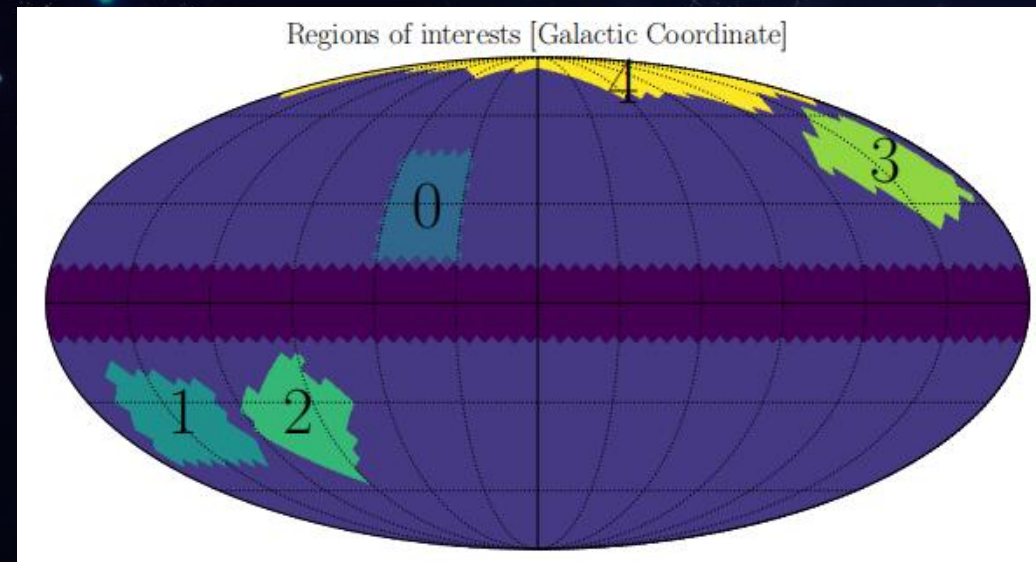
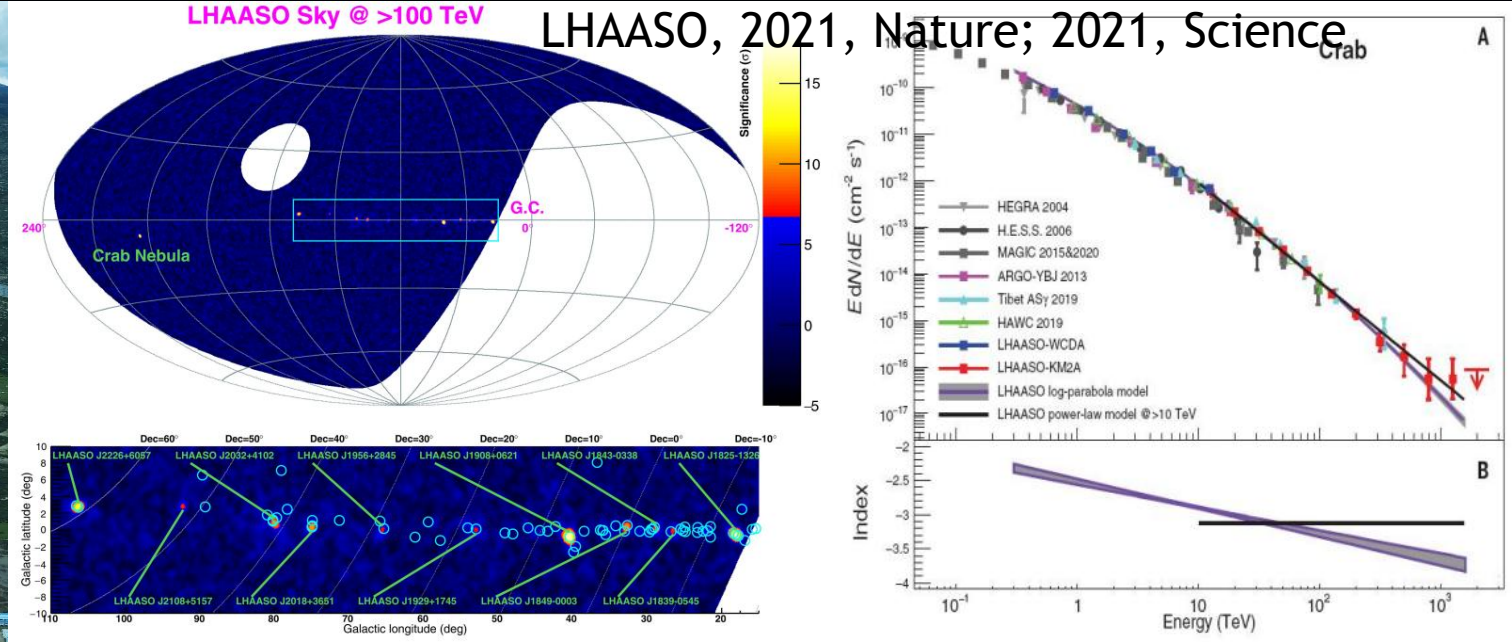
Interesting anomalies have been found in various messengers.

It is hard to distinguish from astrophysical sources.

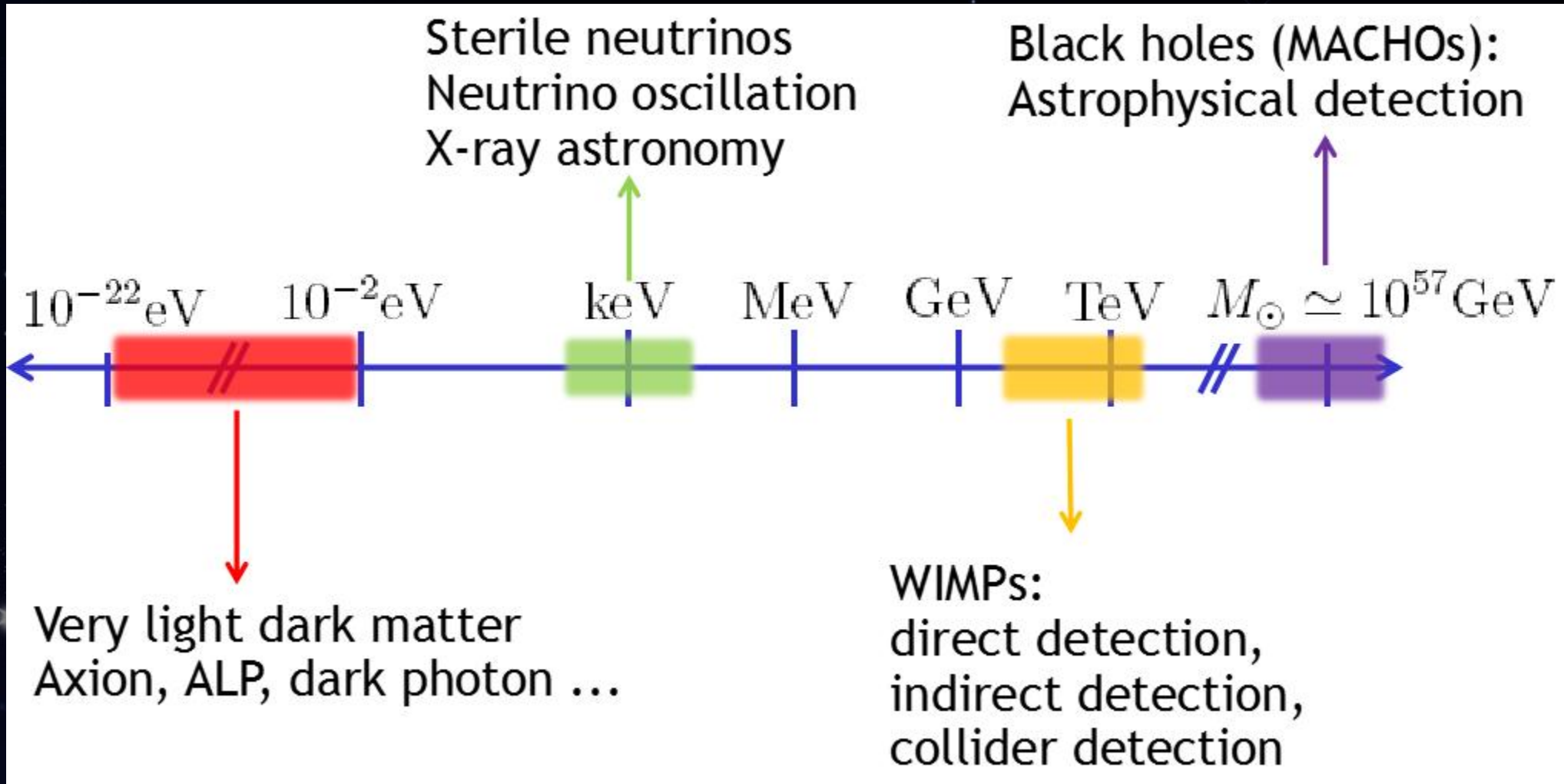
# Smoking gun: gamma-ray line



# Extending to heavy DM with LHAASO

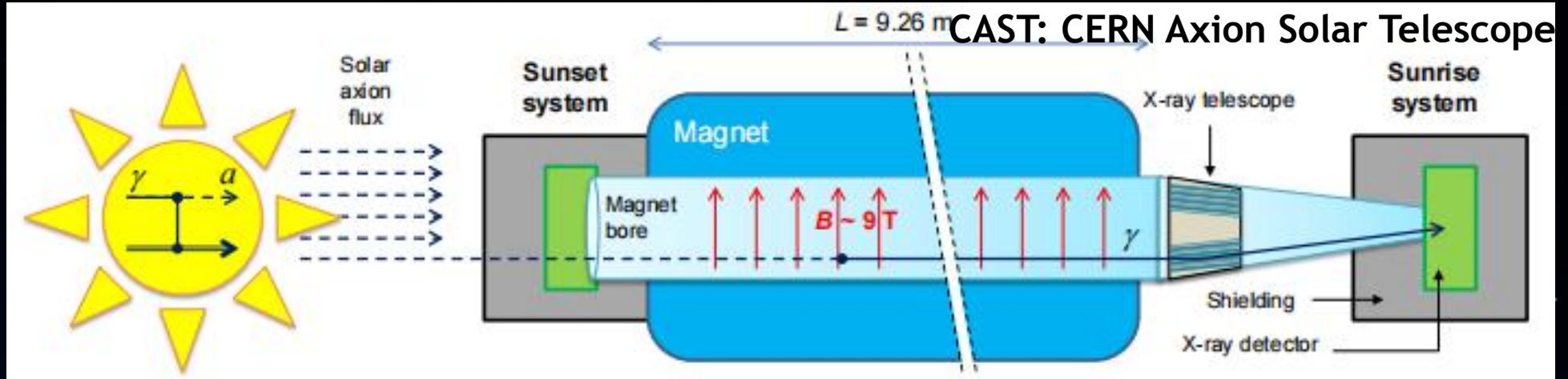
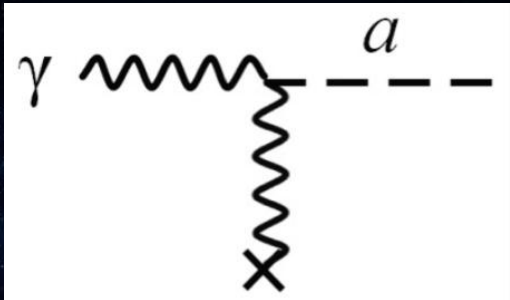


# Extending to broad DM mass window with precise astronomical observations

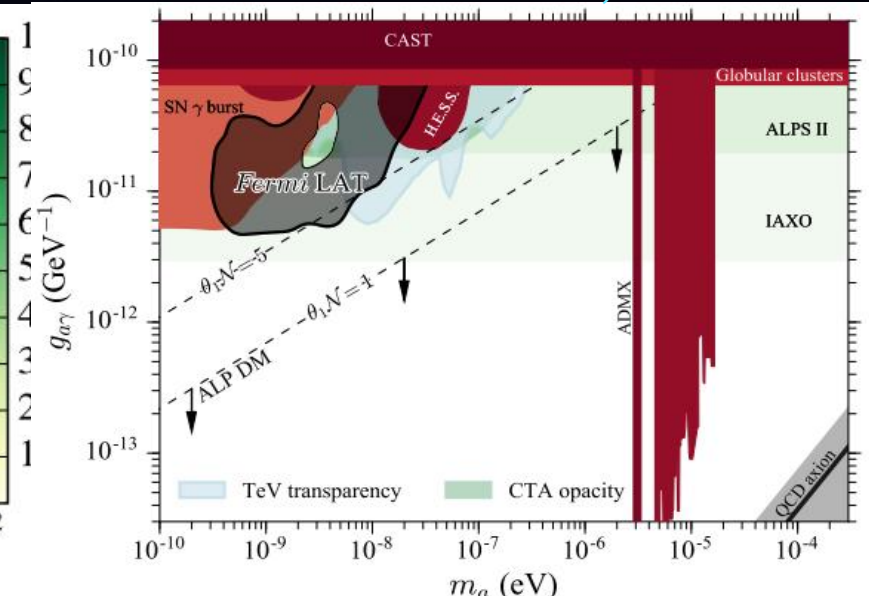
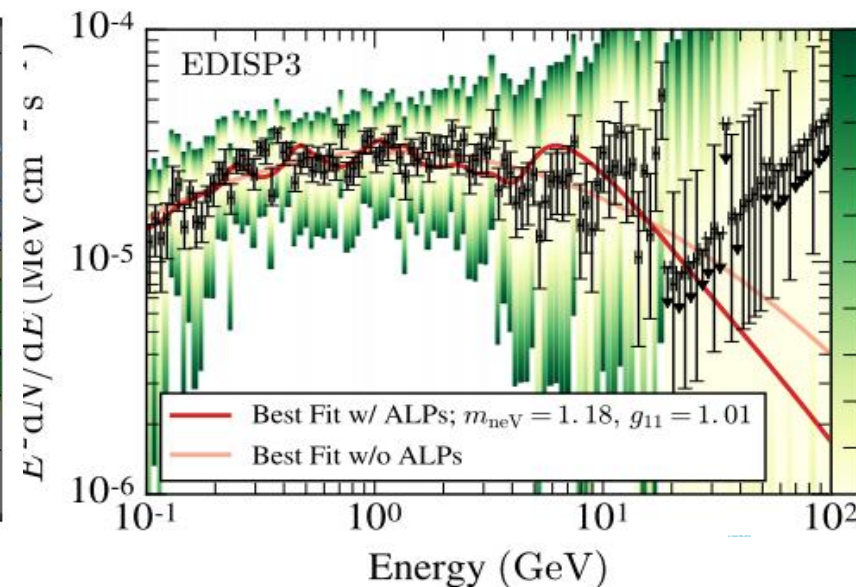
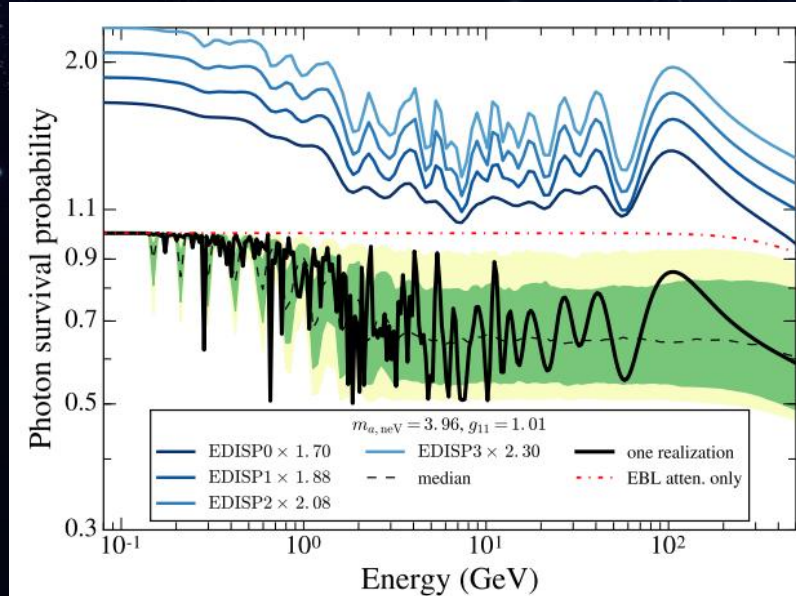




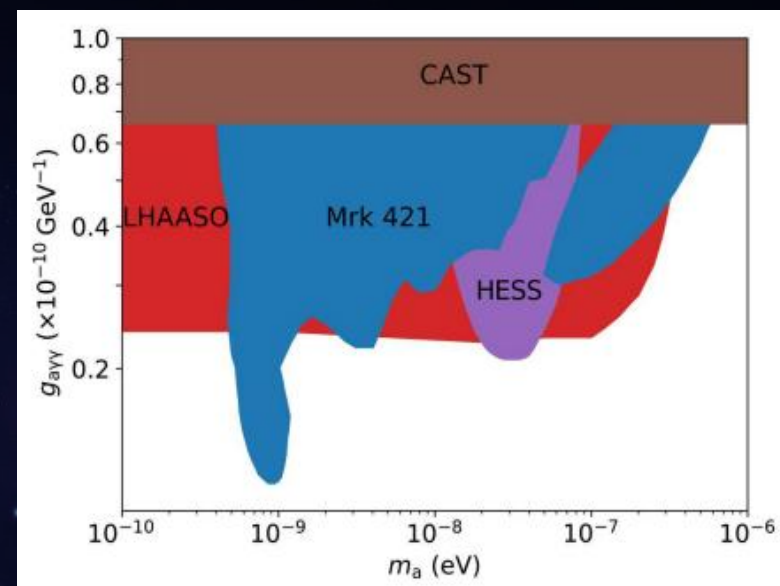
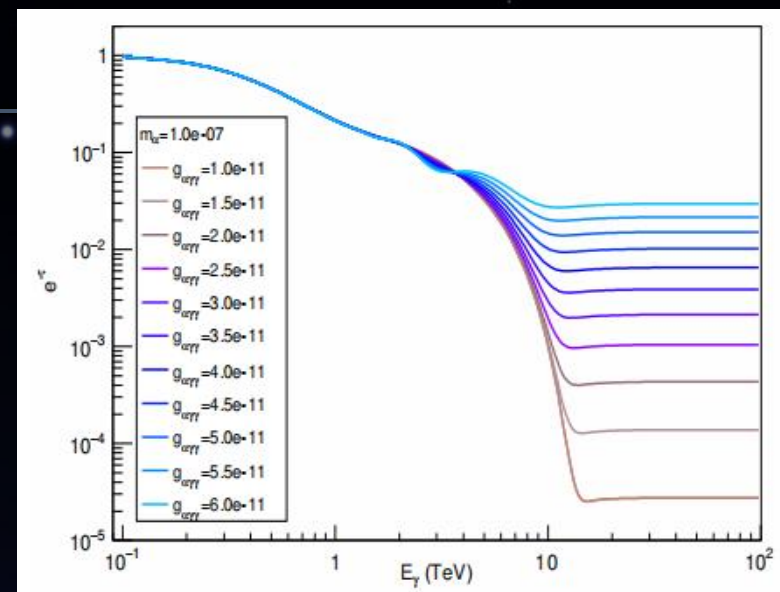
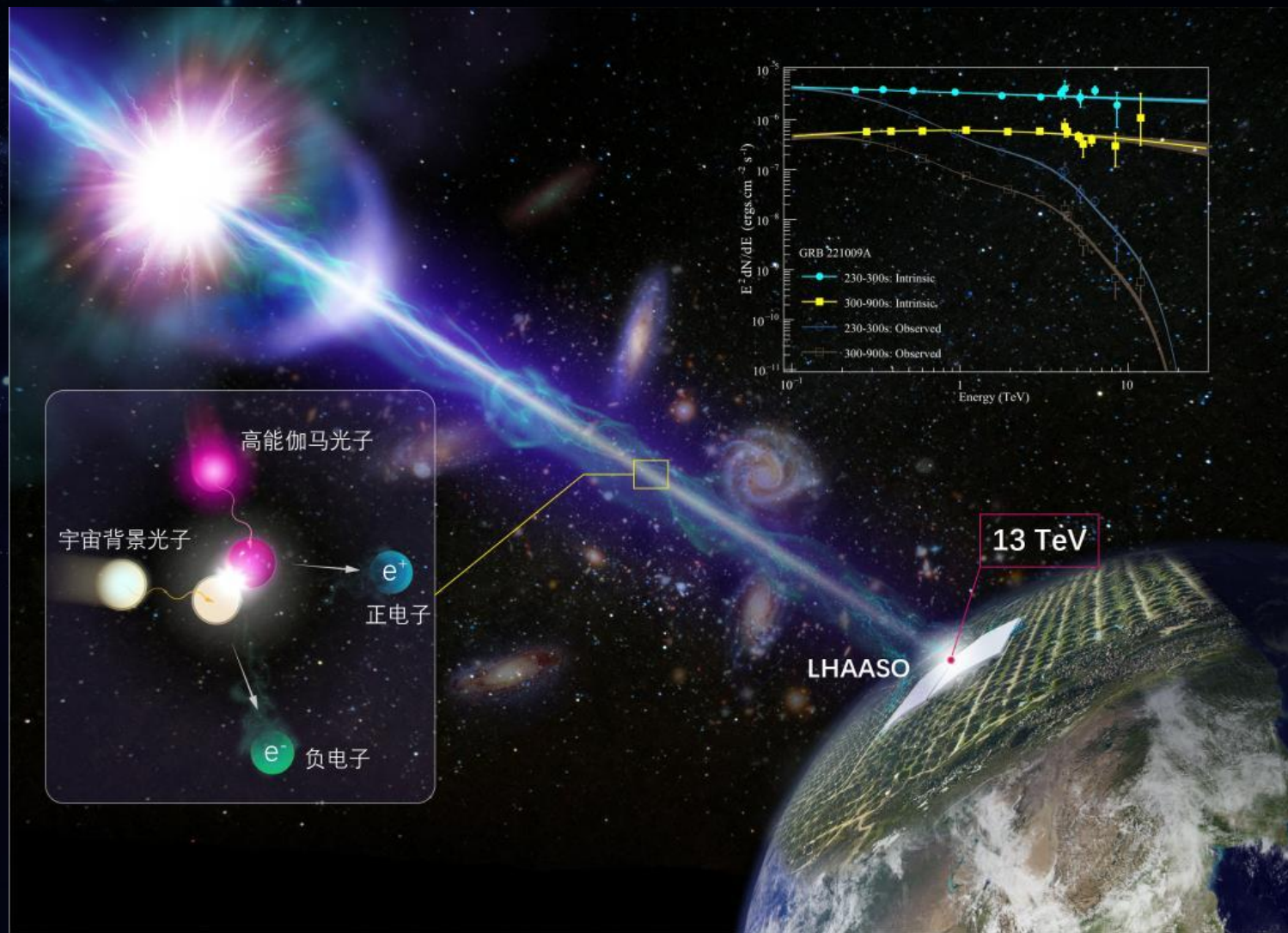
# Axion-photon conversion: Primorkoff effect



Fermi-LAT, 1603.06978

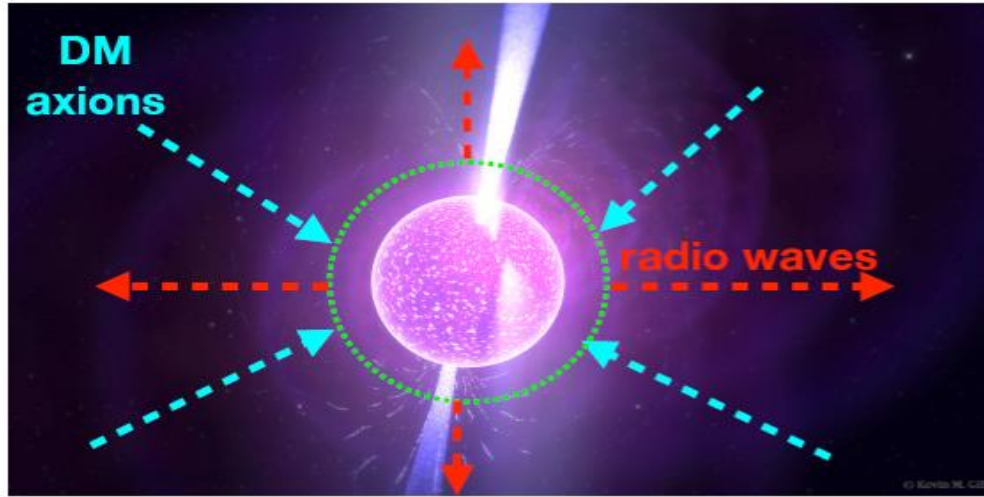


# LHAASO observations of GRB 221009A



# Axion-photon conversion around neutron stars

NS with strong B-field and surrounding plasma



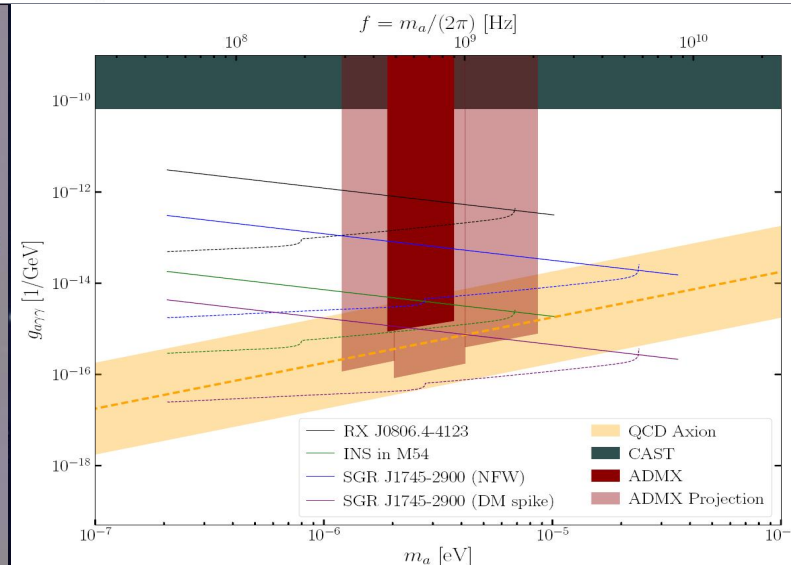
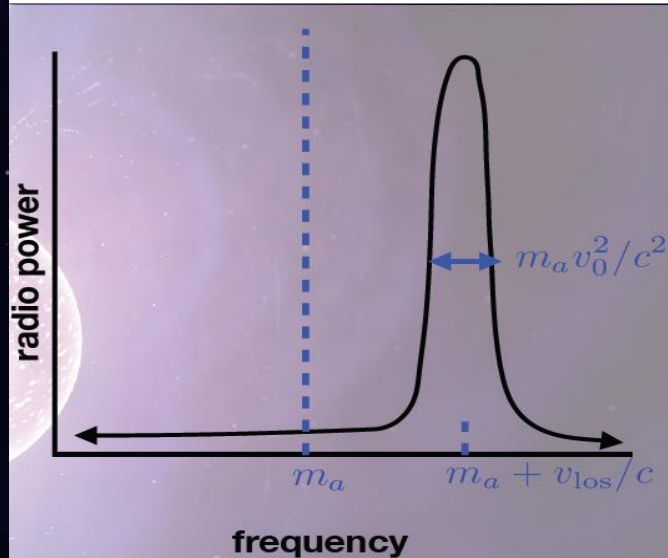
DM axions resonantly convert to radio waves  
when  $m_a = m_\gamma$

射电望远镜的宽频覆盖可以有效探索地面共振腔实验的盲区

radio waves  
radio emission propagates to Earth



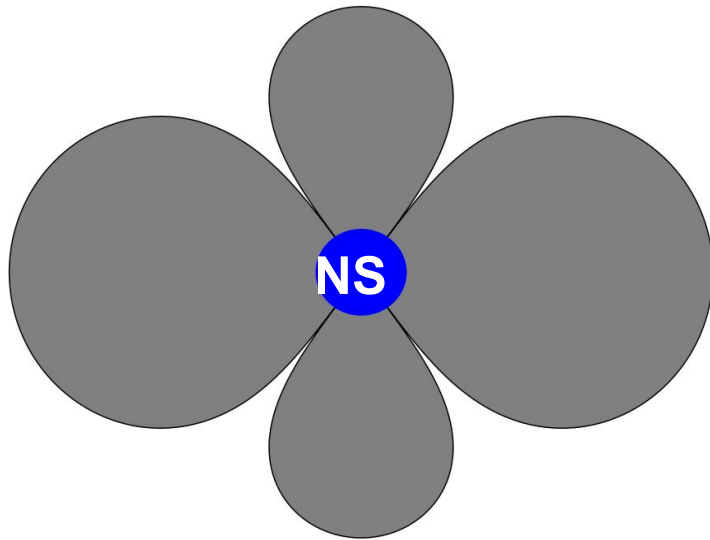
Narrow radio line detectable at Earth with  $f = m_a/(2\pi)$ .



- Pshirkov+ JETP 2009; Huang+ PRD 2018; Hook+ PRL 2018
- Narrow line in radio frequency
- Can extend to mass range beyond the cavity experiment

# Axion-photon conversion around neutron stars

Critical radius ( $m_a \simeq \omega_p$ )



$$\bar{S}_{\nu_i} = \frac{F}{\Delta\nu} = 3.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Jy} \left( \frac{100 \text{ pc}}{d} \right)^2 \left( \frac{16 \text{ kHz}}{\Delta\nu} \right) \\ \times \left( \frac{d\mathcal{P}/d\Omega}{5.7 \times 10^9 \text{ W}} \right) \int_{\nu_{i,\min}}^{\nu_{i,\max}} \frac{d\nu}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_0} e^{-\frac{(\nu-m_a)^2}{2\sigma_0^2}},$$

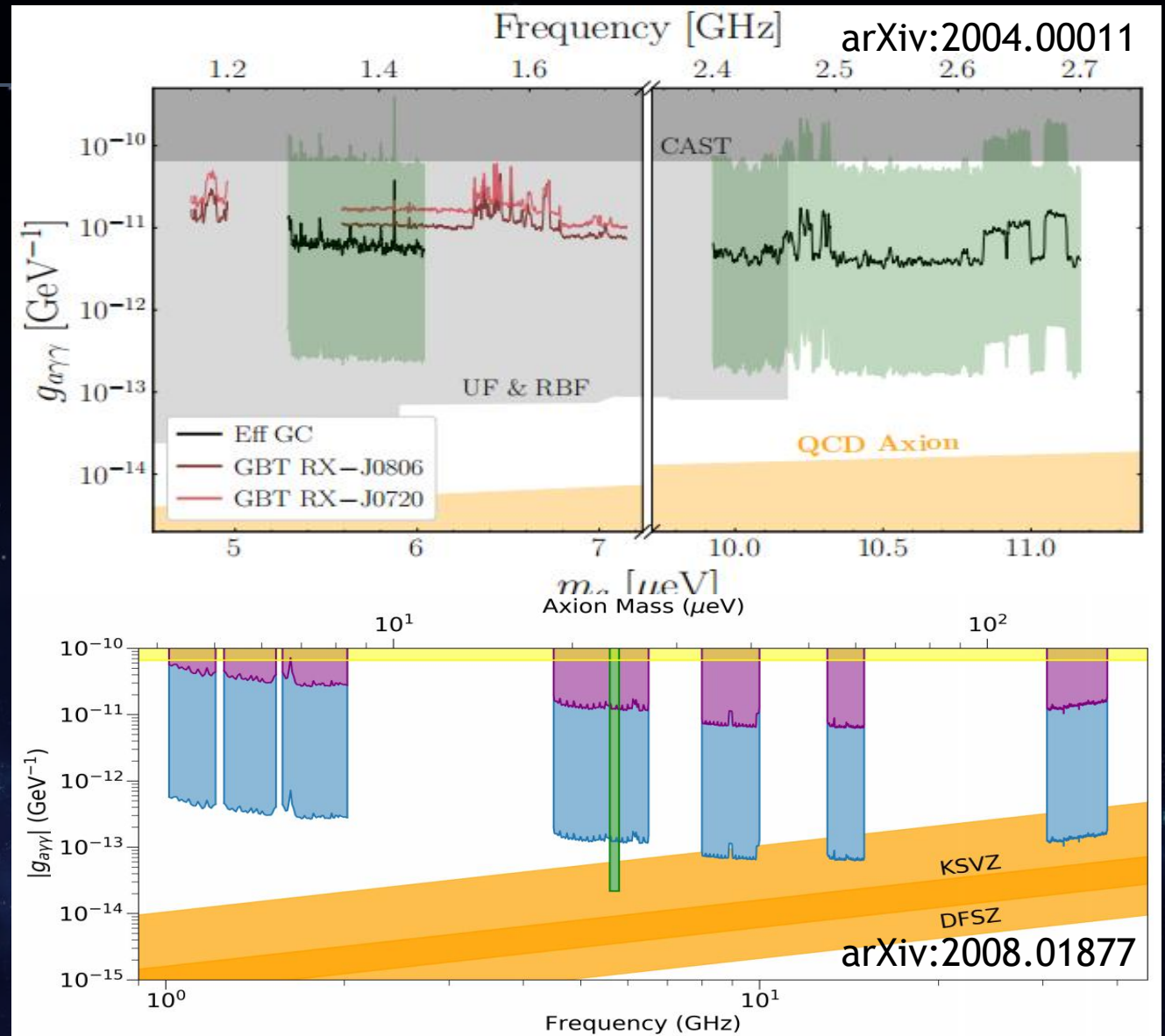
$$\frac{d\mathcal{P}}{d\Omega} \simeq 5.7 \times 10^9 \text{ W} \left( \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{10^{-12} \text{ GeV}^{-1}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{r_{\text{NS}}}{10 \text{ km}} \right)^{5/2} \left( \frac{m_a}{\text{GHz}} \right)^{4/3} \\ \times \left( \frac{B_0}{10^{14} \text{ G}} \right)^{5/6} \left( \frac{P}{\text{sec}} \right)^{7/6} \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}^\infty}{0.45 \text{ GeV cm}^{-3}} \right) \left( \frac{M_{\text{NS}}}{M_\odot} \right)^{1/2} \\ \times \left( \frac{200 \text{ km s}^{-1}}{v_0} \right) \frac{3(\hat{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}})^2 + 1}{|3 \cos \theta \hat{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} - \cos \theta_m|^{7/6}}, \quad (3)$$

High B-field, nearby, radio-quiet pulsar located in high DM field is optimal

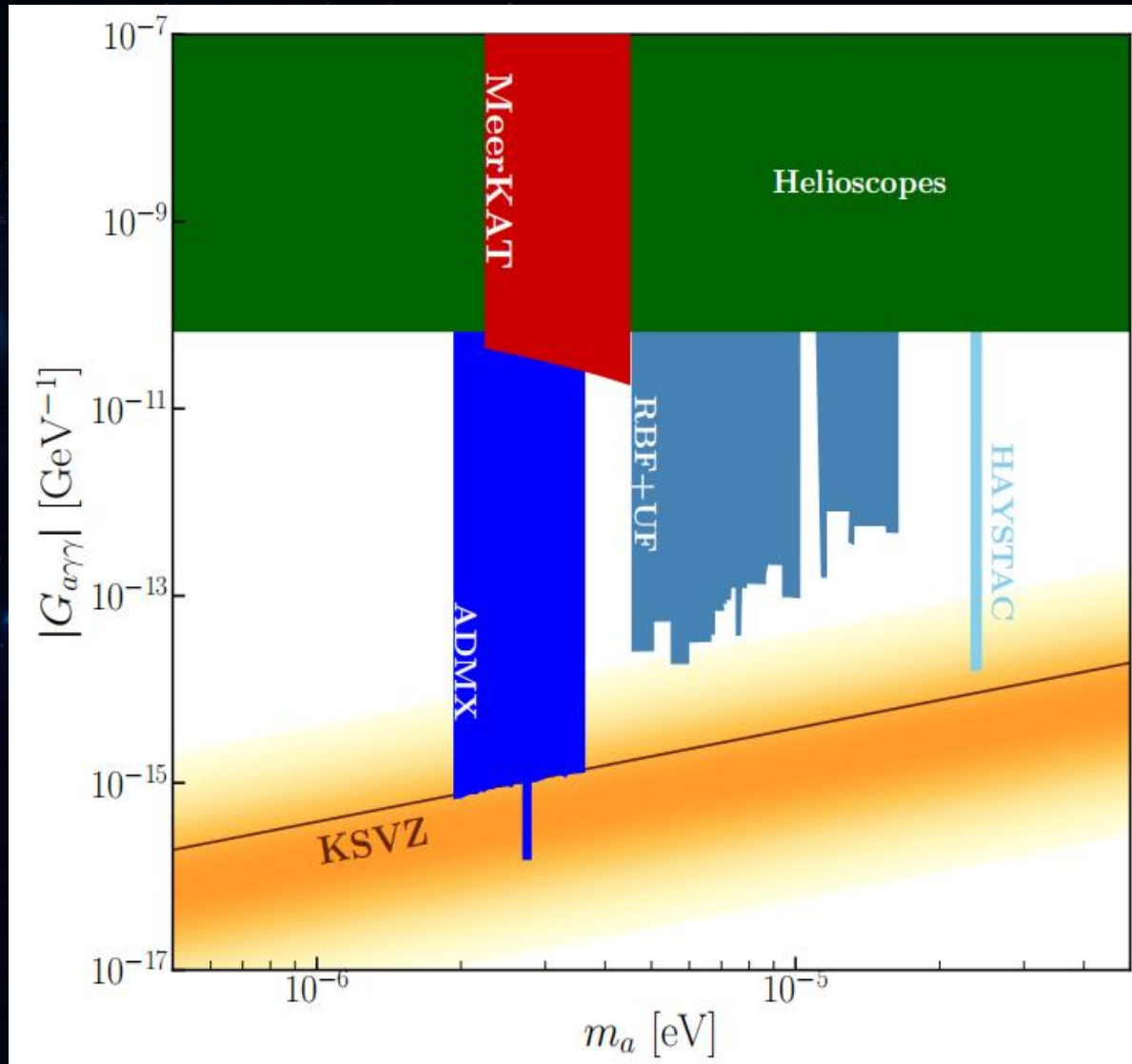
# Spectroscopic observations of neutron stars

➤ GBT and Effelsberg observations of Galactic center magnetar PSR J1745-2900 and nearby NSs

➤ VLA observations of Galactic center magnetar PSR J1745-2900



# MeerKAT observation of RX J0806.4-4123



## UHF Band MeerKAT

Target: neutron star RX J0806.4-4123

frequency range: 544-1088 MHz

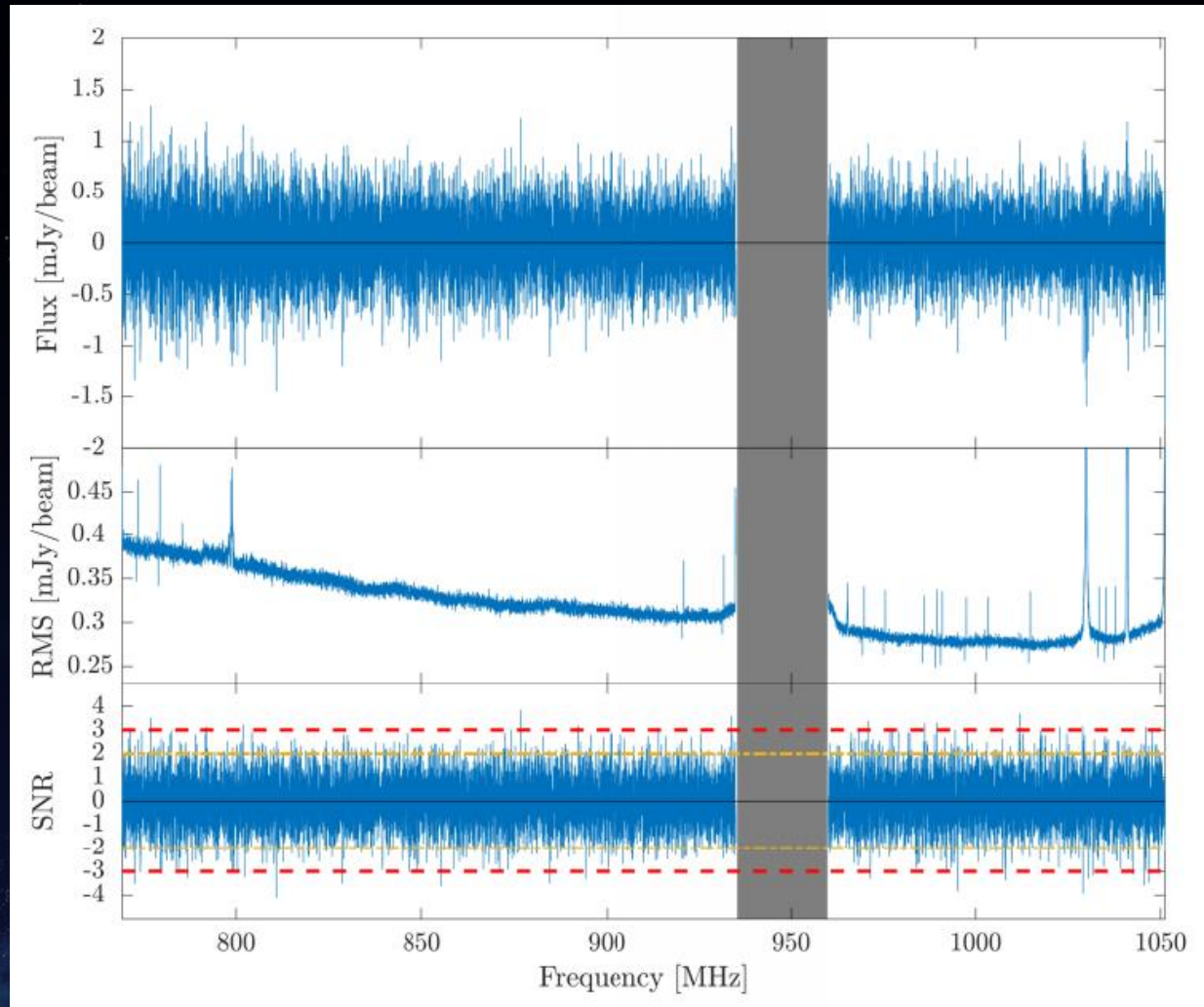
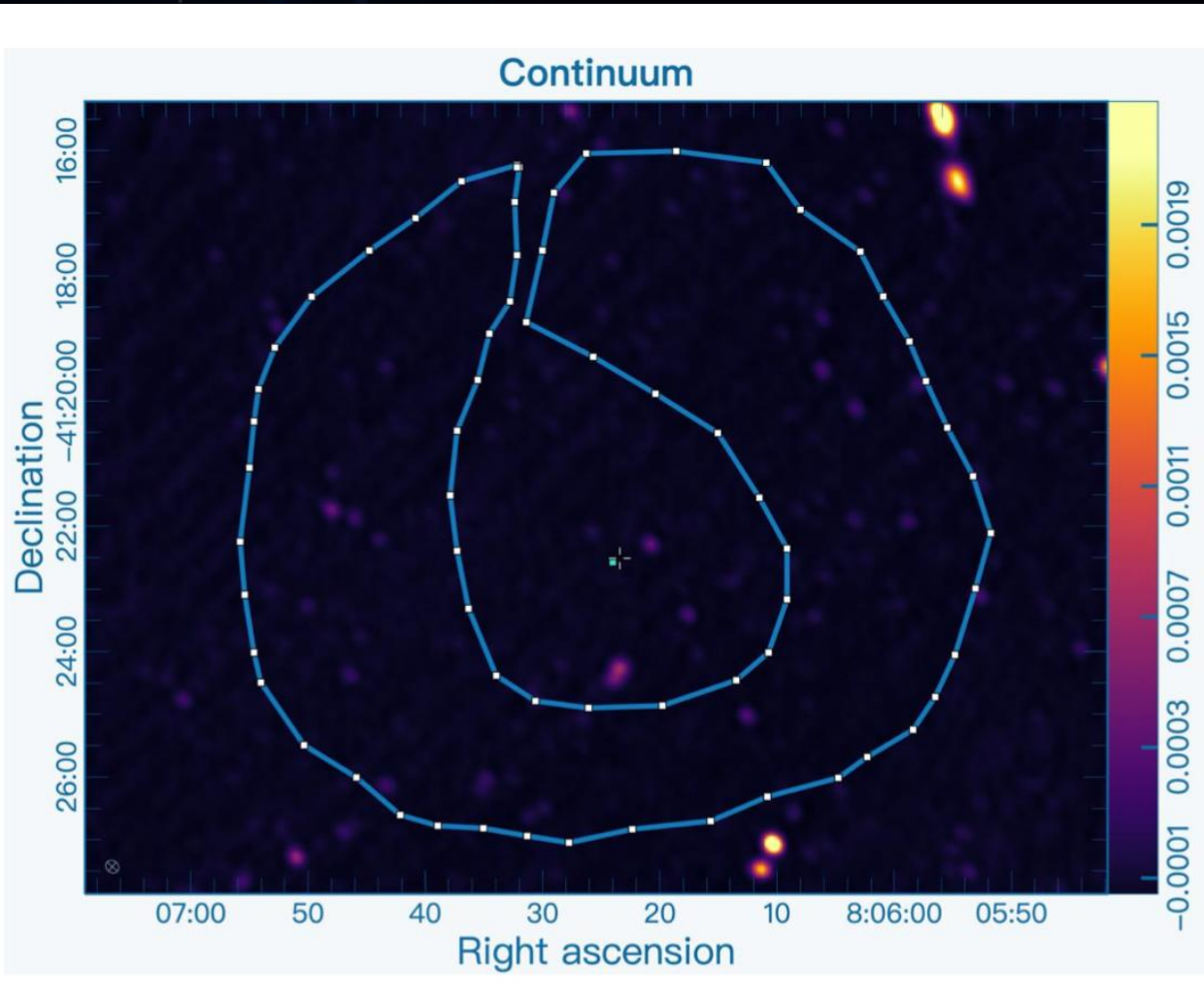
Axion mass range: 2.5-5  $\mu\text{eV}$

Frequency resolution: 16 kHz

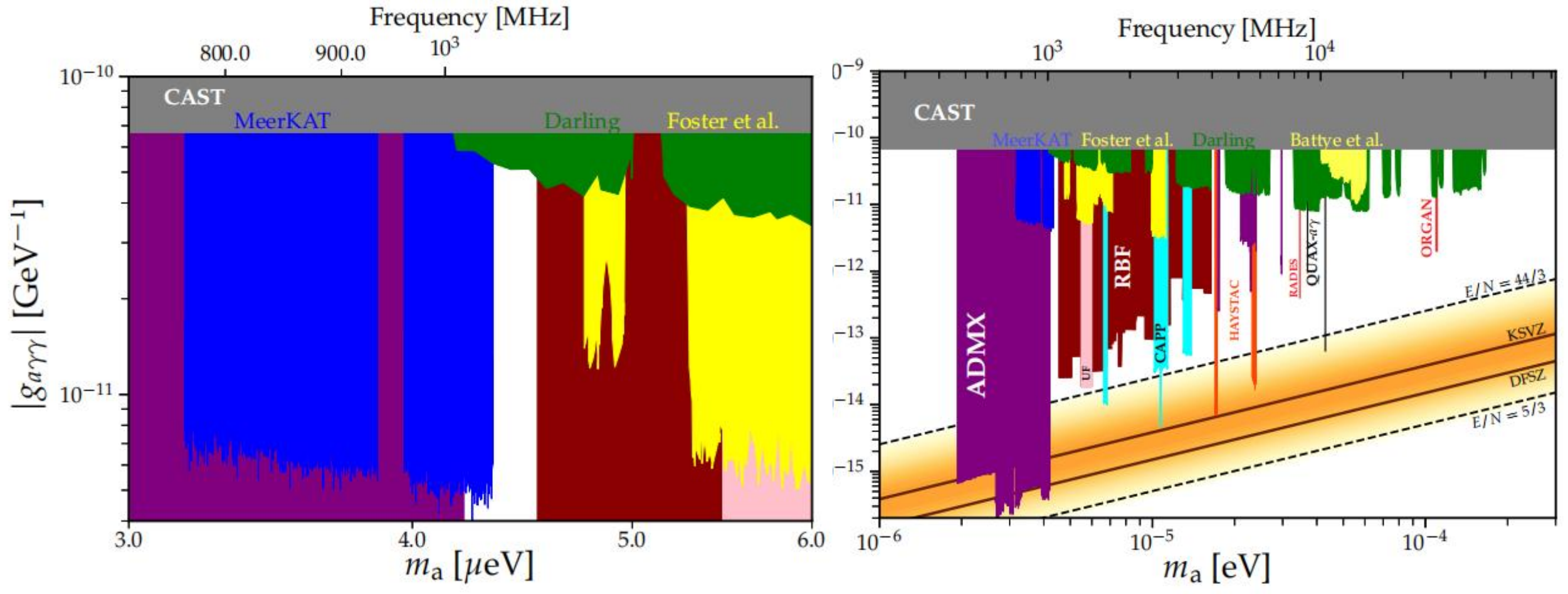
Area observed: 19 arcmin x 14.9 arcmin

Time resolution: 8 seconds

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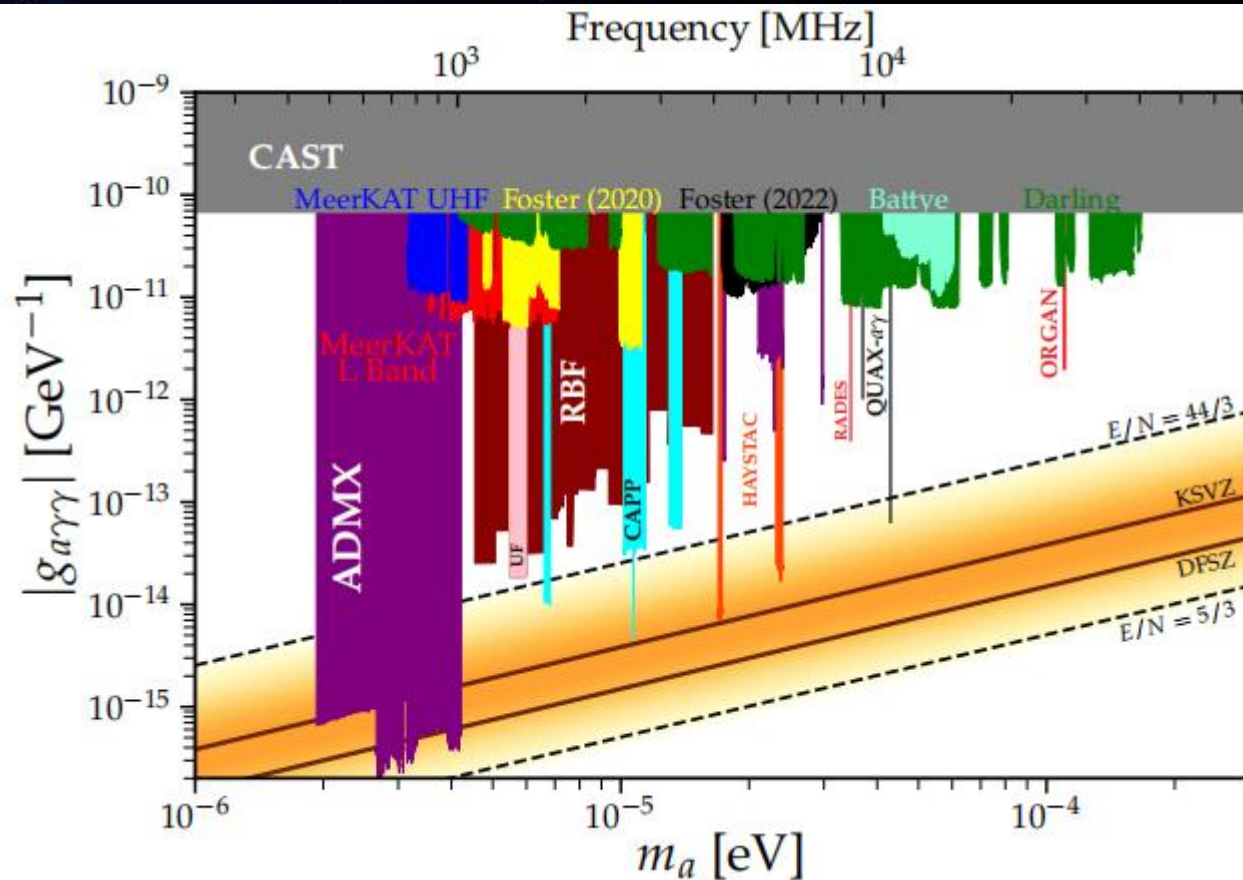


Zhou et al., 2022, PRD, 106, 083006

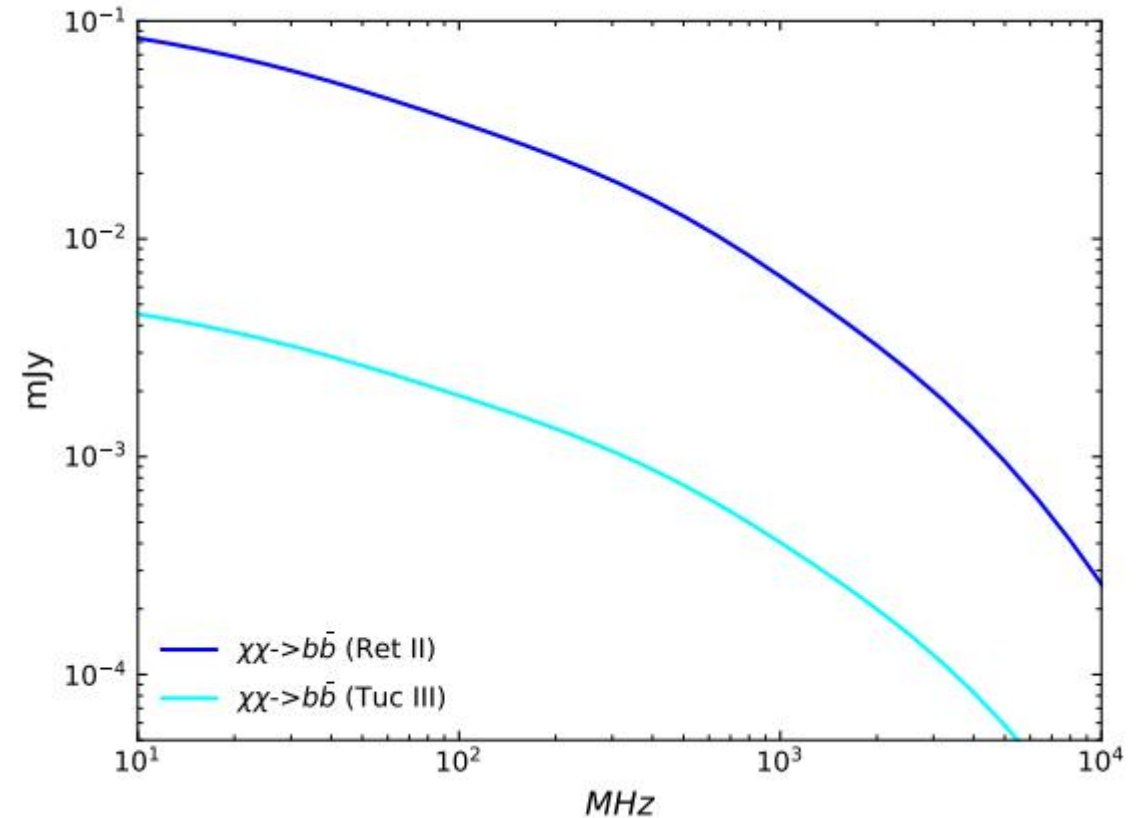


# MeerKAT 2022 call for proposals

Searching for dark matter with MeerKAT observations of dwarf spheroidal galaxies

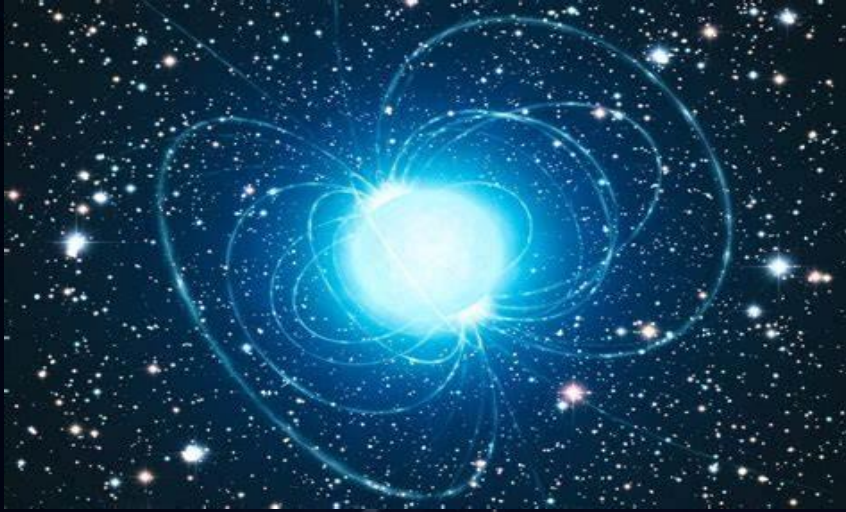


Axion searches



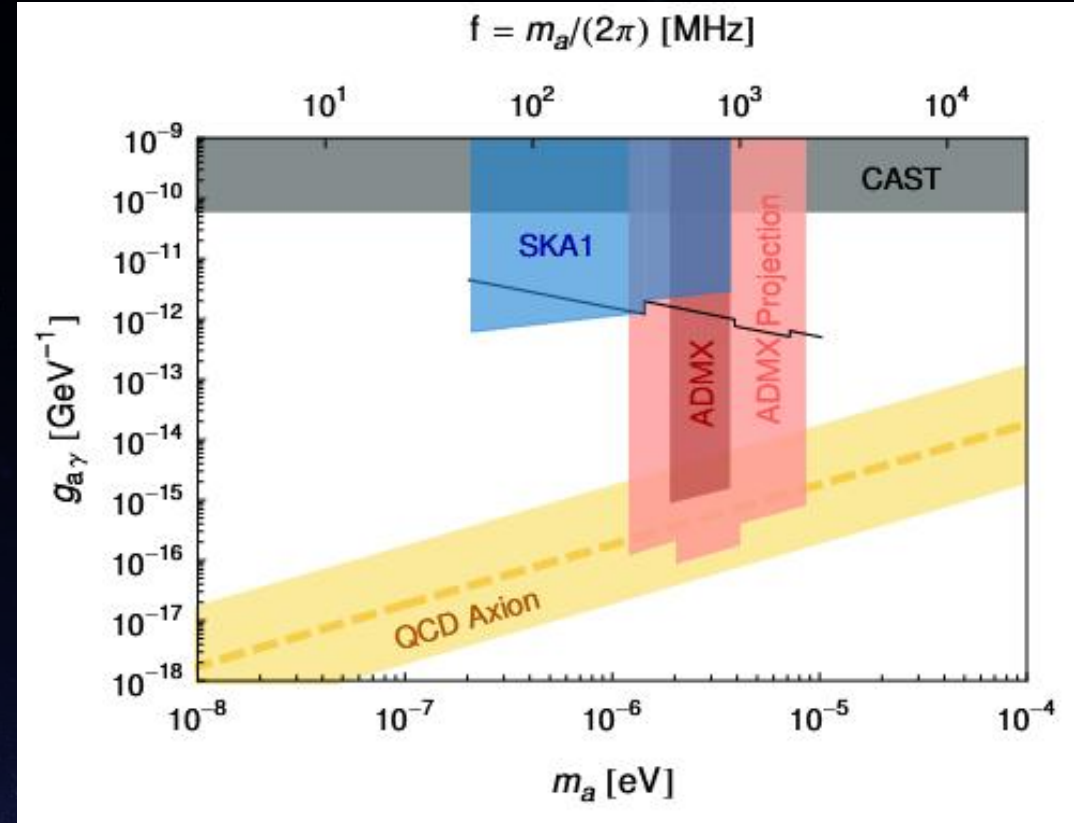
WIMP searches

# Magnetic white dwarfs



$$S_{a\gamma}^{\text{WD}} \simeq 29.11 \mu\text{Jy} \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}^{\infty}}{0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3} \right) \left( \frac{M_{\text{WD}}}{M_{\odot}} \right)^{3/2} \left( \frac{v_0}{200 \text{ km/s}} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{R_{\text{WD}}}{10^4 \text{ km}} \right)^{-1/2} \left( \frac{T_{\text{cor}}}{10^6 \text{ K}} \right) \\ \times \left( \frac{g_{a\gamma}}{10^{-12} \text{ GeV}^{-1}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{B_0}{10^8 \text{ G}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m_a}{1 \mu\text{eV}} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{d}{10 \text{ pc}} \right)^{-2} \left( \frac{\mathcal{B}}{1 \text{ kHz}} \right)^{-1}. \quad (20)$$

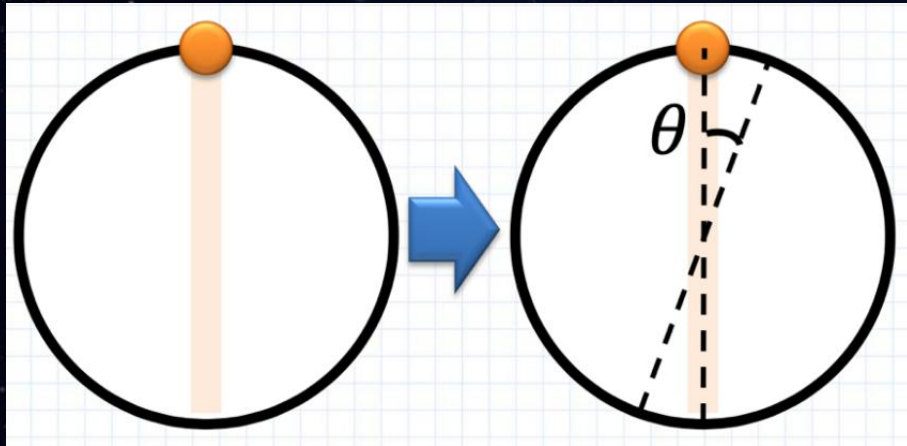
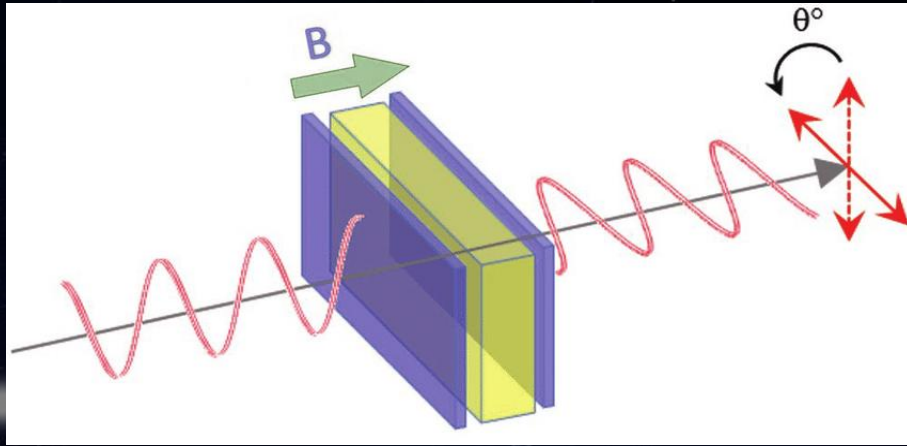
$$S_{a\gamma}^{\text{NS}} \simeq 71.97 \mu\text{Jy} \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}^{\infty}}{0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3} \right) \left( \frac{M_{\text{NS}}}{M_{\odot}} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{v_0}{200 \text{ km/s}} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{R_{\text{NS}}}{10 \text{ km}} \right)^{5/2} \left( \frac{P}{1 \text{ sec}} \right)^{7/6} \\ \times \left( \frac{g_{a\gamma}}{10^{-12} \text{ GeV}^{-1}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{B_0}{10^{14} \text{ G}} \right)^{5/6} \left( \frac{m_a}{1 \mu\text{eV}} \right)^{4/3} \left( \frac{d}{100 \text{ pc}} \right)^{-2} \left( \frac{\mathcal{B}}{1 \text{ kHz}} \right)^{-1},$$



Sensitivity is comparable to neutron stars

# Axion induced birefringence

- Faraday rotation in the magnetic field



$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{a\gamma\gamma}aF_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\nabla^\mu a\nabla_\mu a - V(a)$$

$$\square A_\pm = \pm 2ig_{a\gamma}[\partial_z a \dot{A}_\pm - \dot{a} \partial_z A_\pm]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\Theta &= g_{a\gamma}\Delta a(t_{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{x}_{\text{obs}}; t_{\text{emit}}, \mathbf{x}_{\text{emit}}) \\ &= g_{a\gamma} \int_{\text{emit}}^{\text{obs}} ds n^\mu \partial_\mu a \\ &= g_{a\gamma}[a(t_{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{x}_{\text{obs}}) - a(t_{\text{emit}}, \mathbf{x}_{\text{emit}})]. \end{aligned}$$

- The equation of motion of photons get modified in the axion background, resulting in periodic oscillation of position angle of linearly polarized photons
- A large axion field is important!

Carroll et al., 1990, PRD, 41, 1231

# Pulsar polarization constraints

Liu et al., 1901.10981

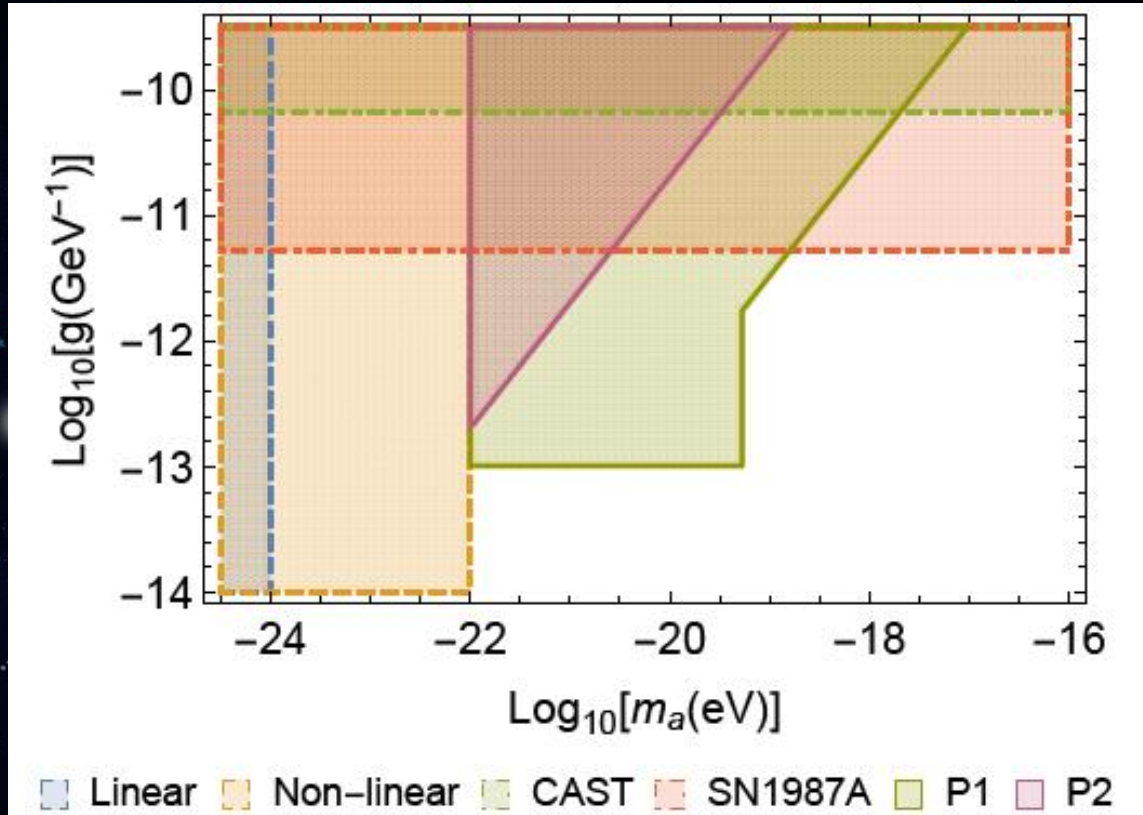
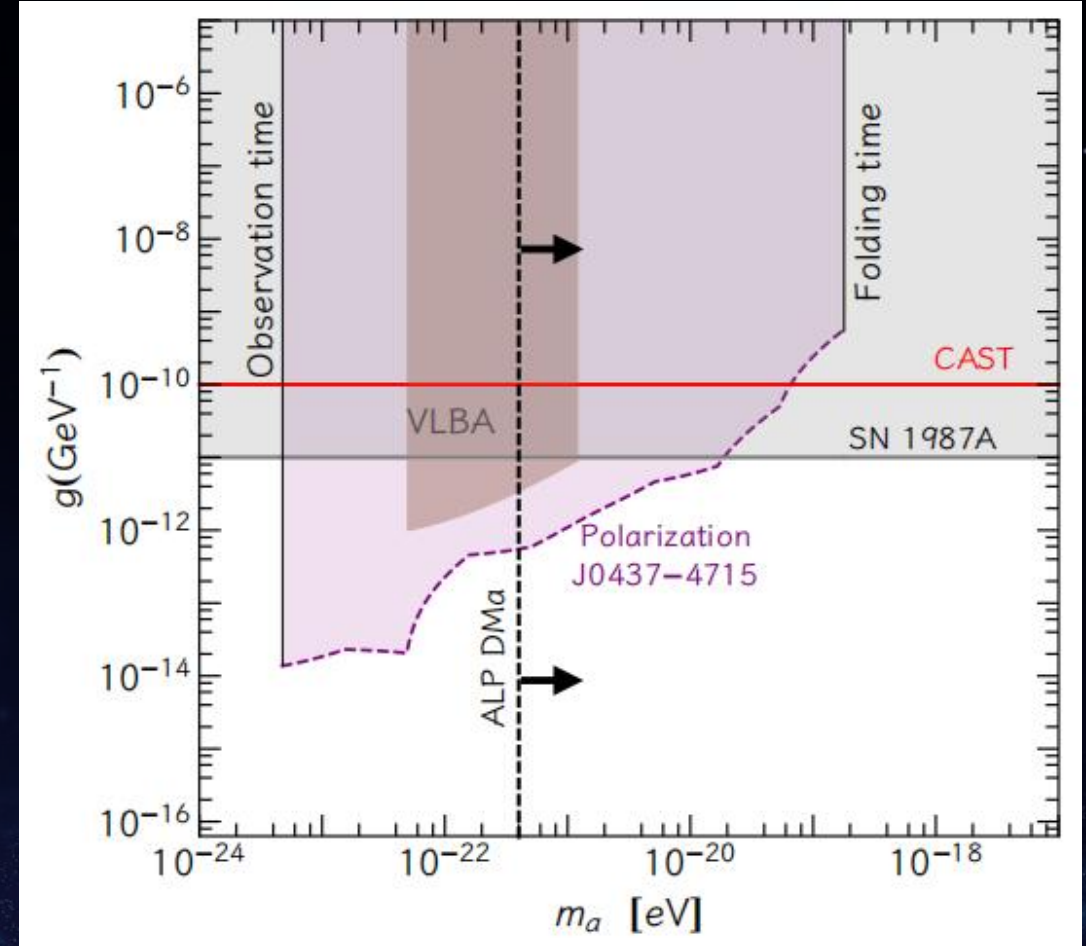


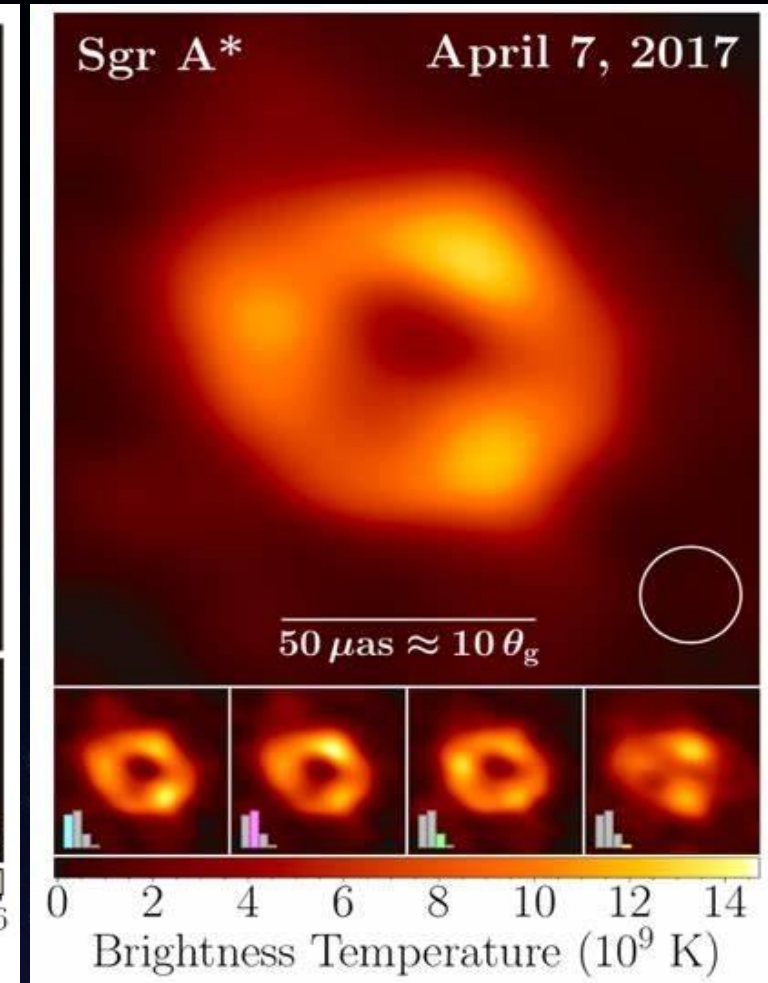
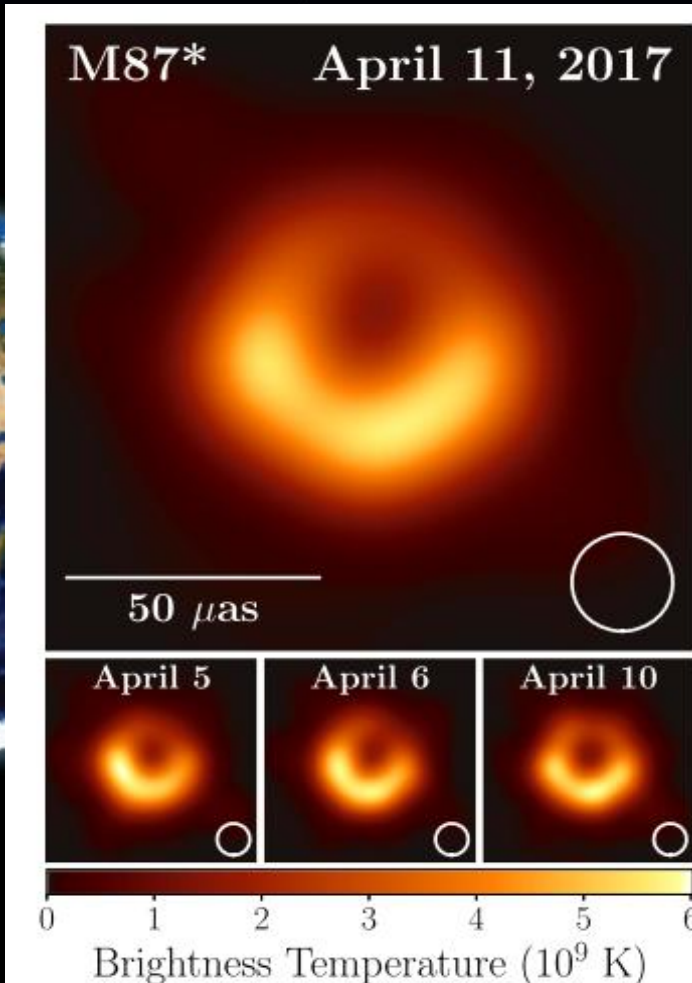
FIG. 1: Projected sensitivities to detect the CAB, using linearly polarized pulsar light as a probe, in the two benchmark scenarios:  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ .

Caputo et al., 1902.02695



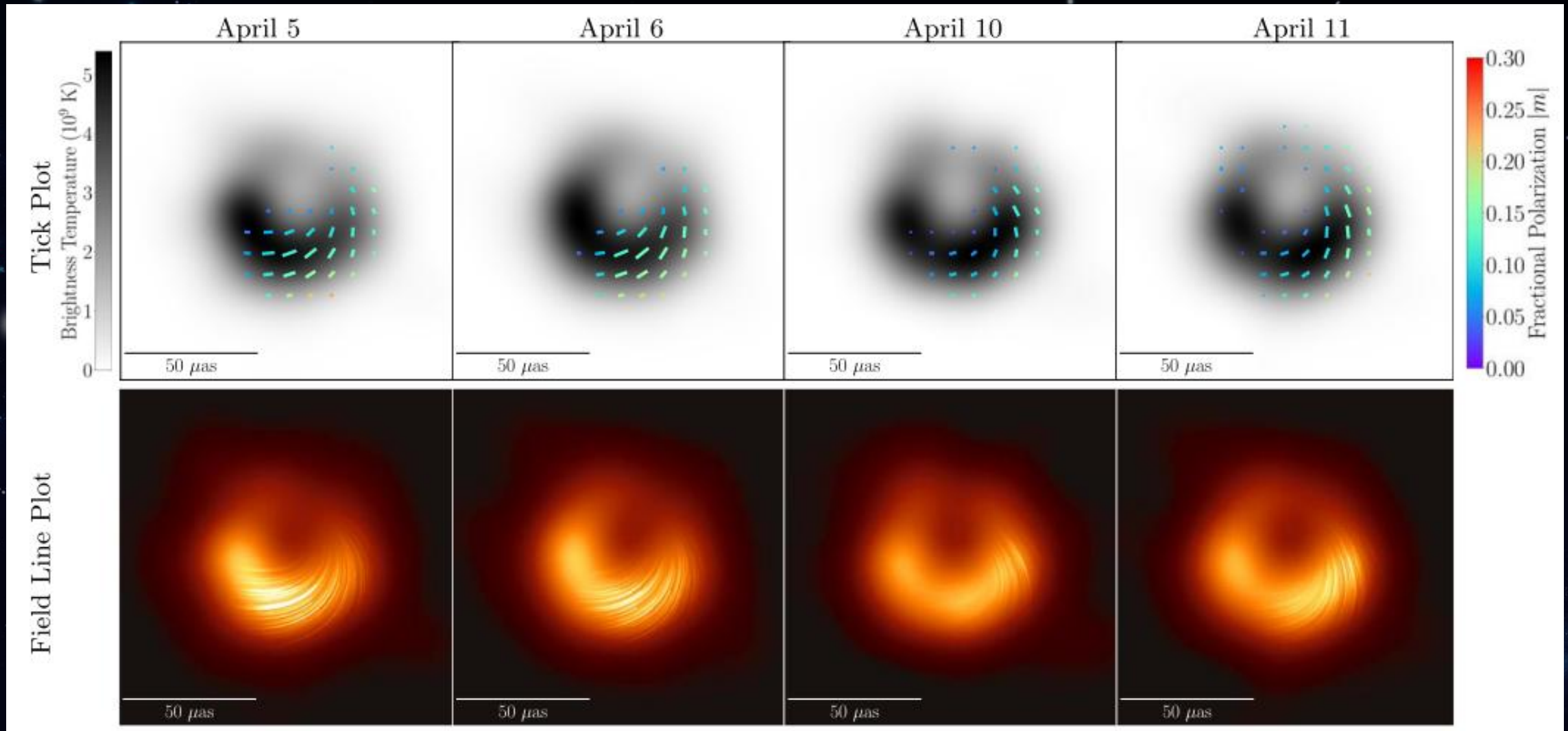
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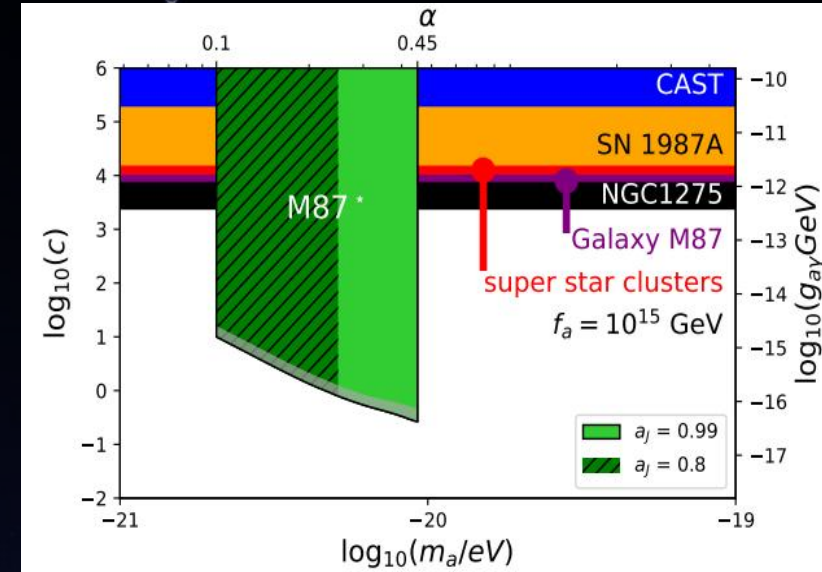
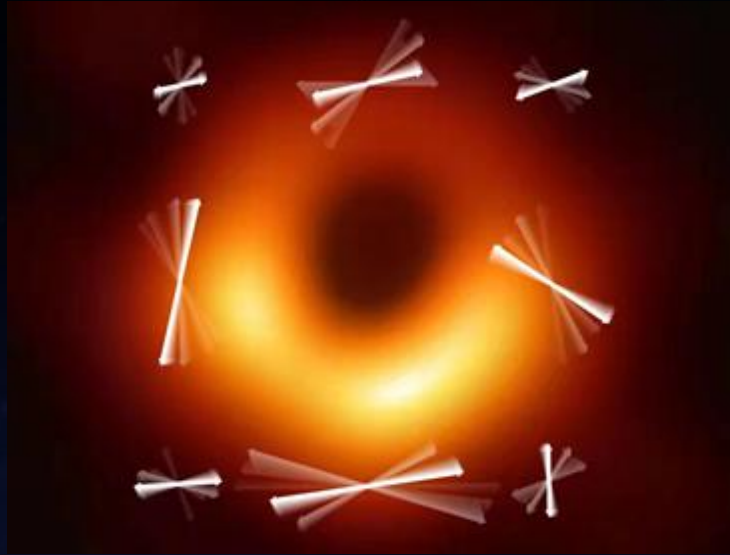
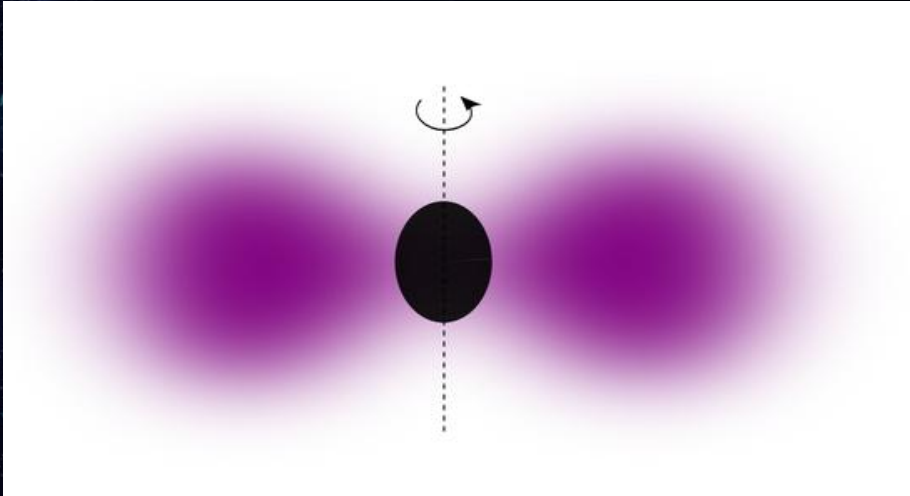


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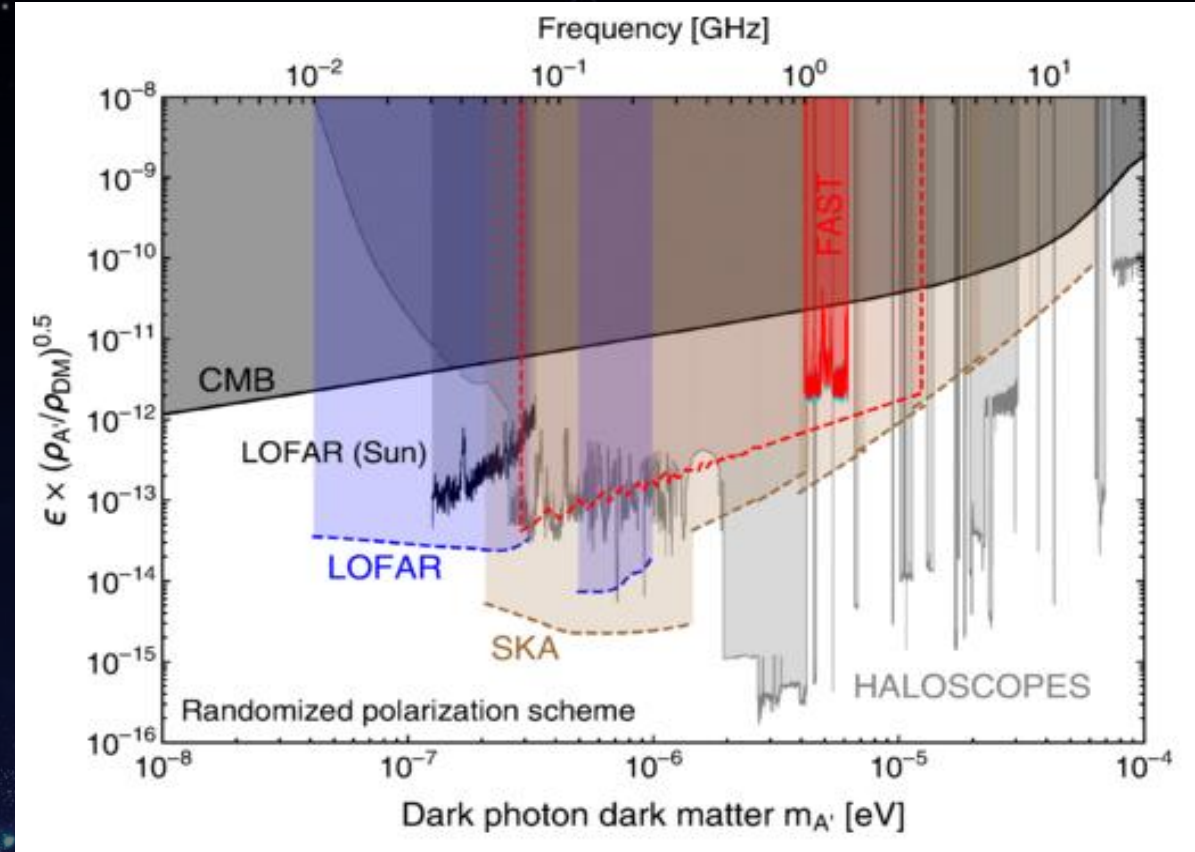
# Probing axionlike particles with EHT polarimetric imaging of BHs



- Axionlike particle density may get significantly enhanced around a Kerr black hole through the superradiance mechanism
- Using the polarimetric imaging observations of BHs by EHT, one can probe axionlike particles with specific mass to a previously unreached region

# FAST detection of dark photon dark matter

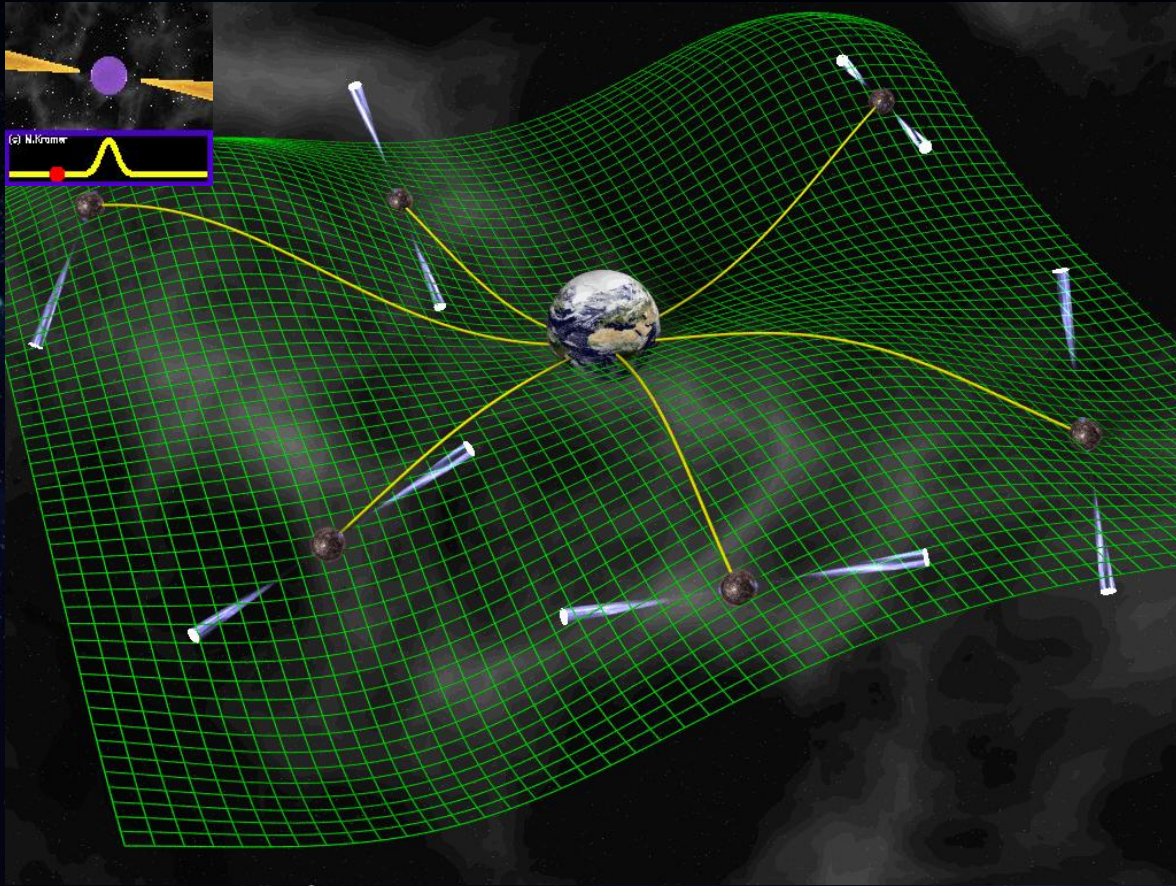
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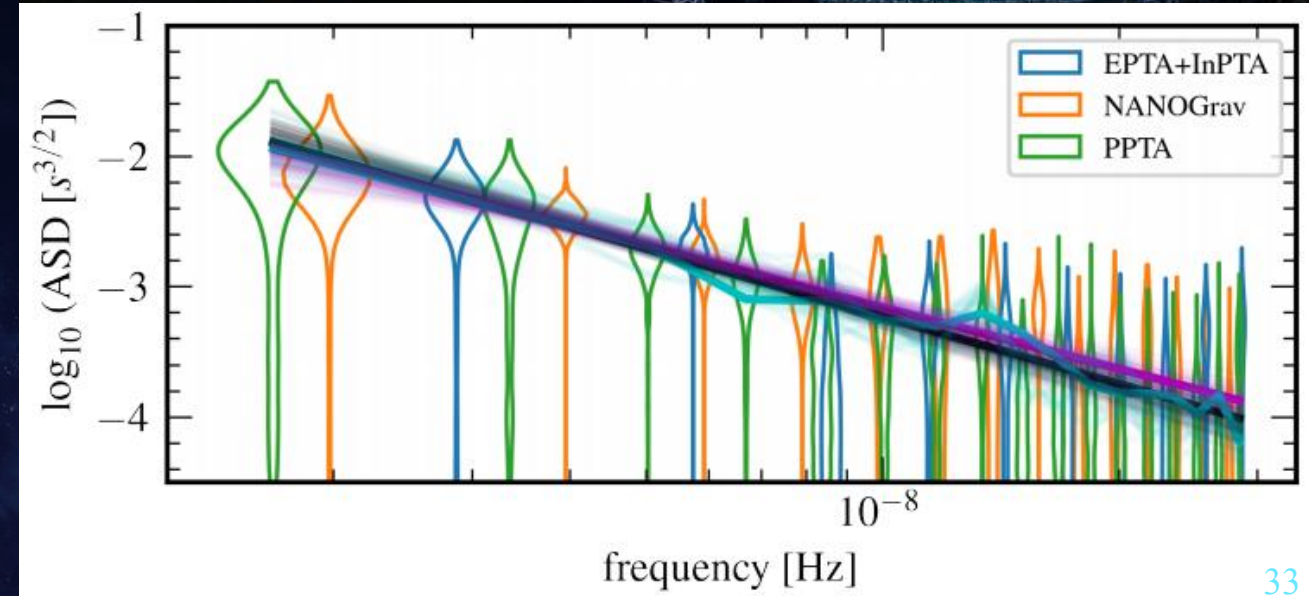
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# Pulsar timing array (PTA)



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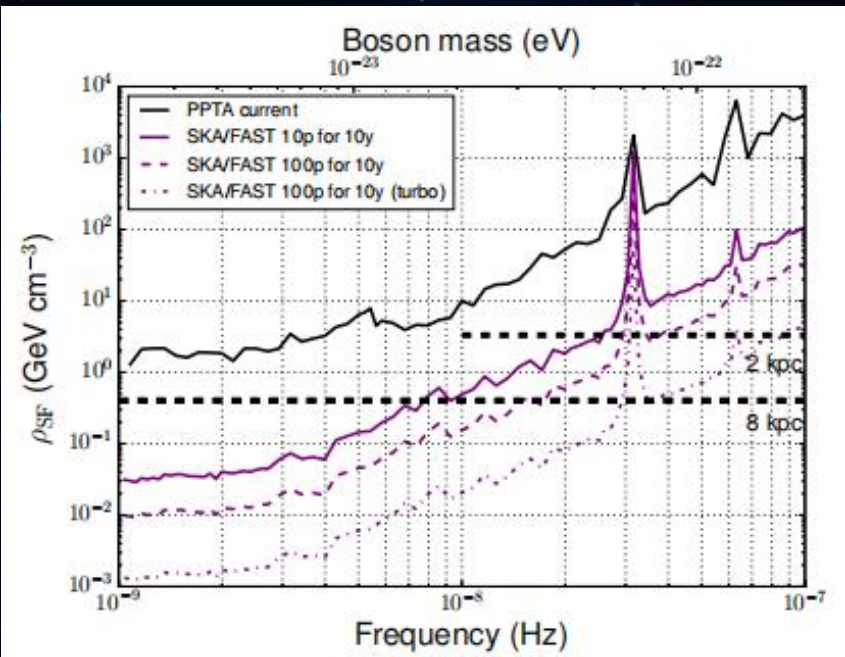
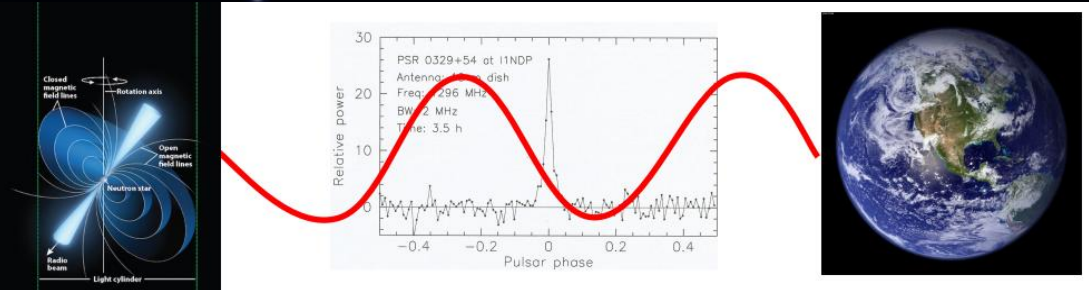


# PTA detection of ultralight DM

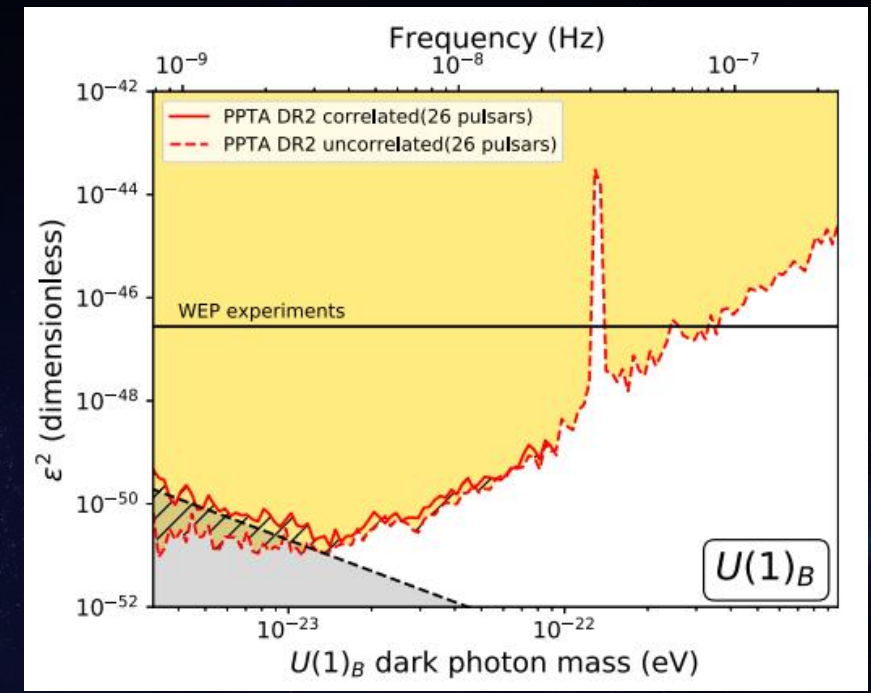
## ➤ Gravitational effect

$$s(t) = \int_0^t \frac{\delta\nu}{\nu} dt = \frac{\Psi_c(x_e)}{2\pi f} \sin[2\pi f t + 2\alpha(x_e)] - \frac{\Psi_c(x_p)}{2\pi f} \sin\left[2\pi f \left(t - \frac{d_p}{c}\right) + 2\alpha(x_p)\right] + \left(\frac{\Psi + \Phi}{2\pi f}\right) \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{v}{c}\right),$$

## ➤ Fifth-force effect



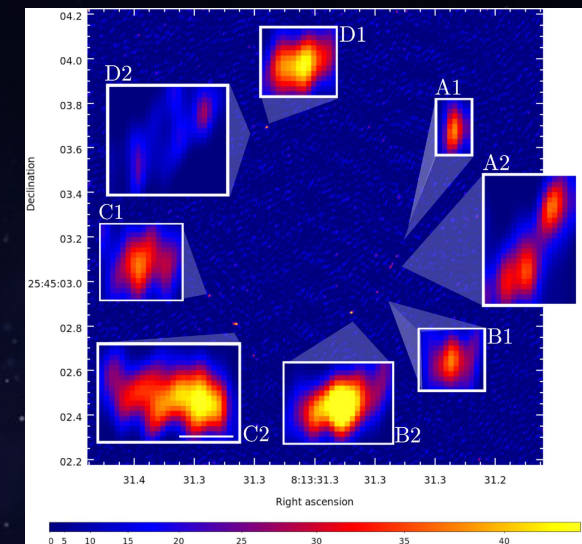
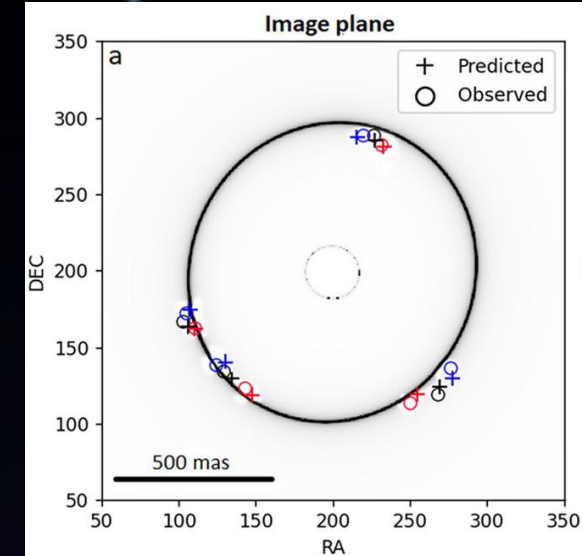
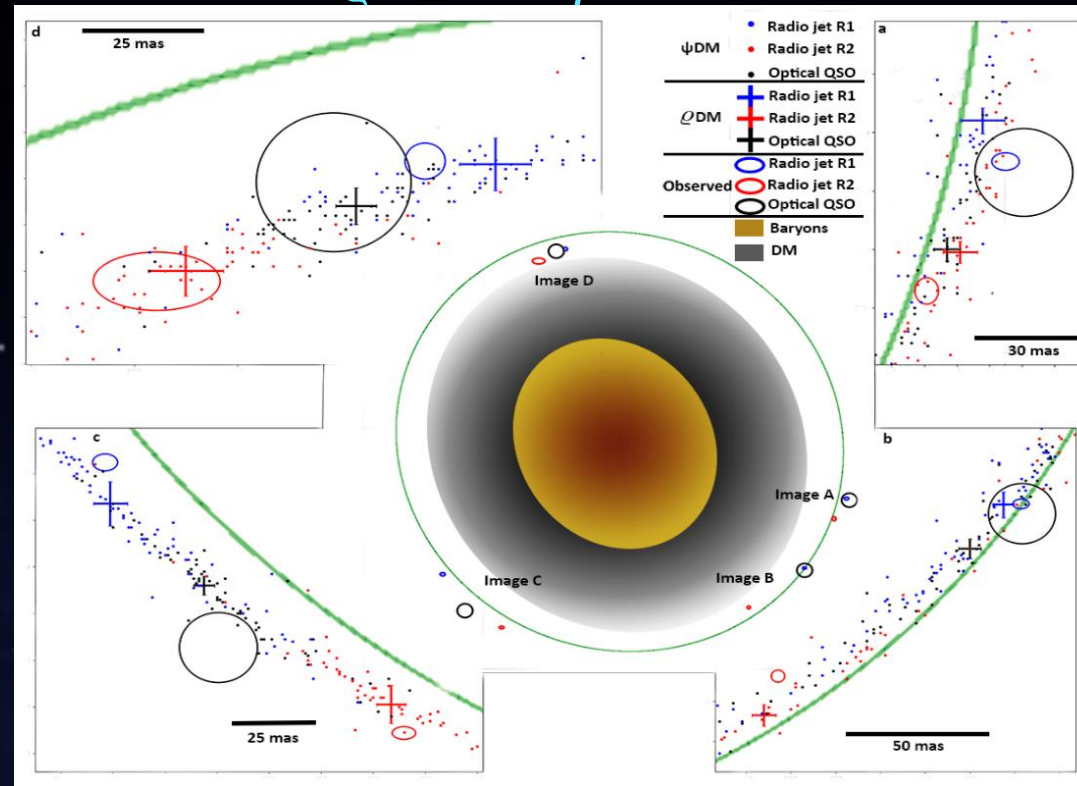
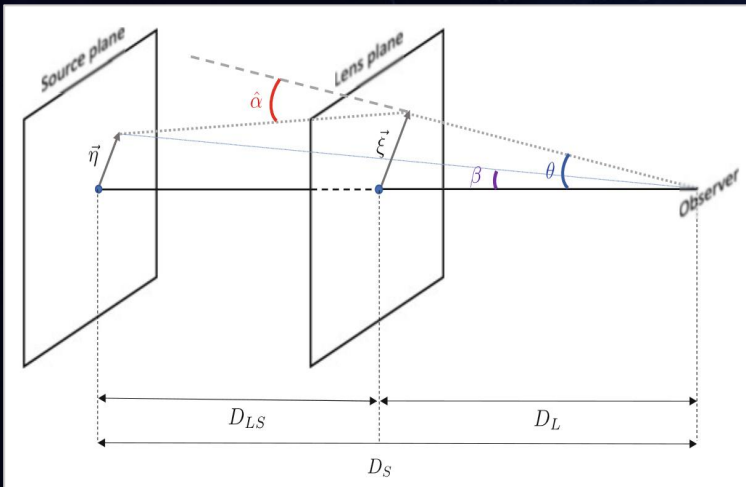
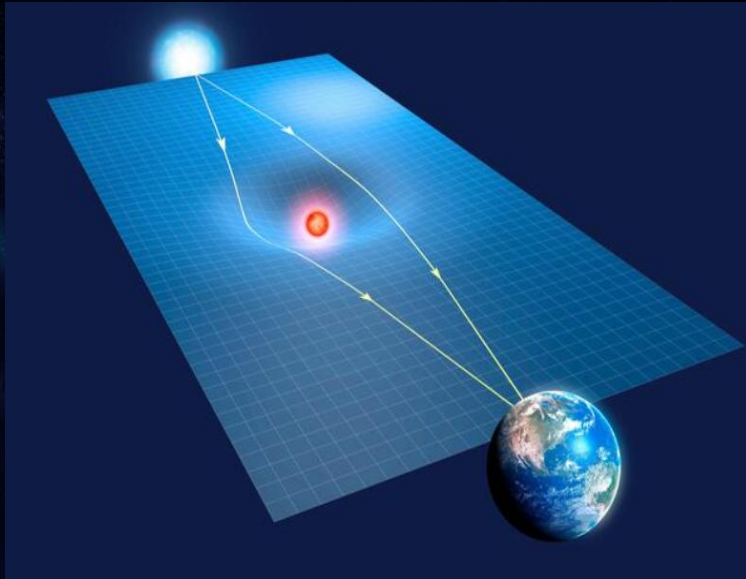
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# Gravitational lensing

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Astrophysical and cosmological observations currently provide the only robust, empirical measurements of dark matter. Future observations with Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST) will provide necessary guidance for the experimental dark matter program. This white paper represents a community effort to summarize the science case for studying the fundamental physics of dark matter with LSST. We discuss how LSST will inform our understanding of the fundamental properties of dark matter, such as particle mass, self-interaction strength, non-gravitational couplings to the Standard Model, and compact object abundances. Additionally, we discuss the ways that LSST will complement other experiments to strengthen our understanding of the fundamental characteristics of dark matter. More information on the LSST dark matter effort can be found at [this https URL](#).

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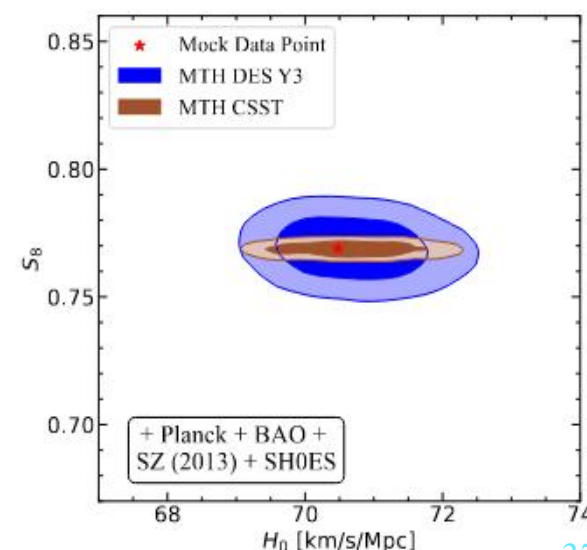
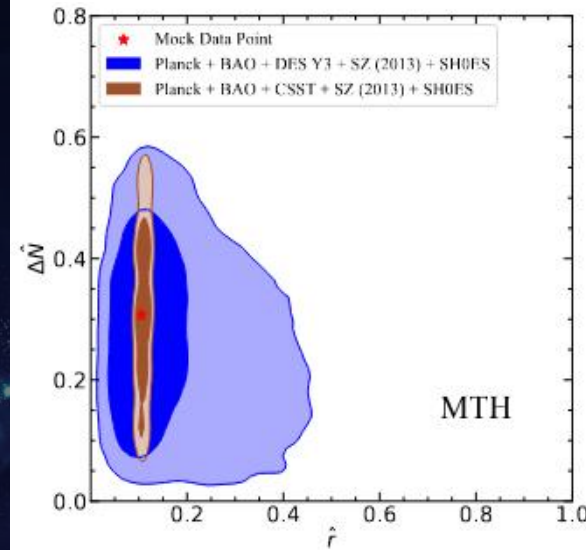
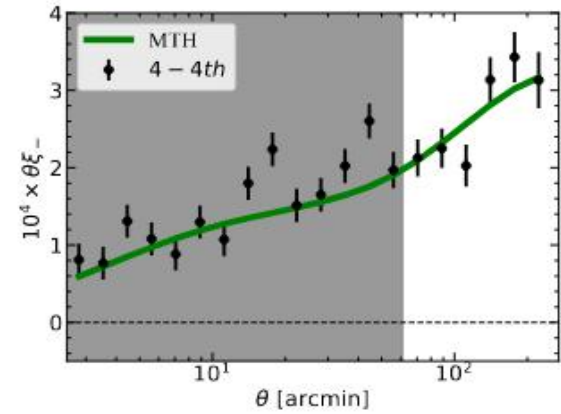
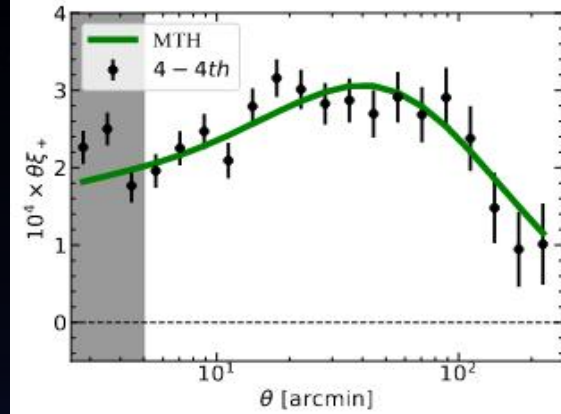


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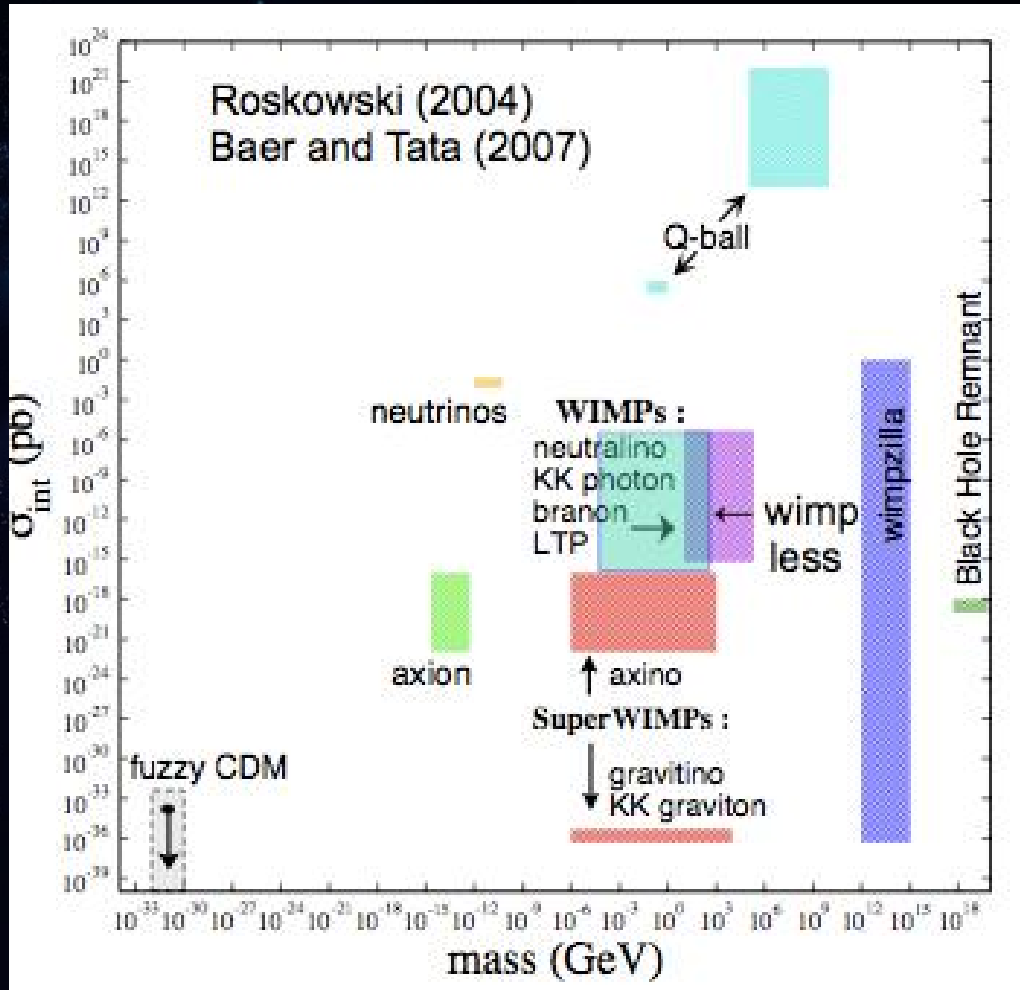
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- Experimental detection of DM is physically very important, but is technically very challenging
- It is very important to develop **new technologies, new methods, and new ideas** to enhance the sensitivity and mass coverage
- Precision astronomical measurements could play a crucial role in DM detection

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