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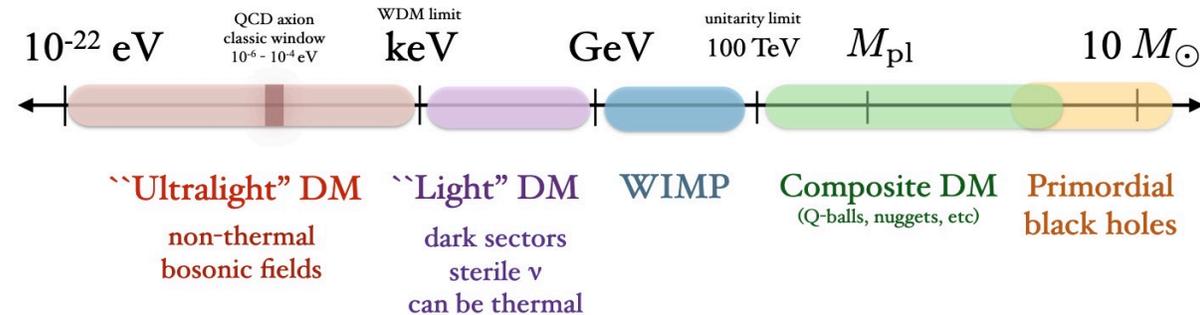
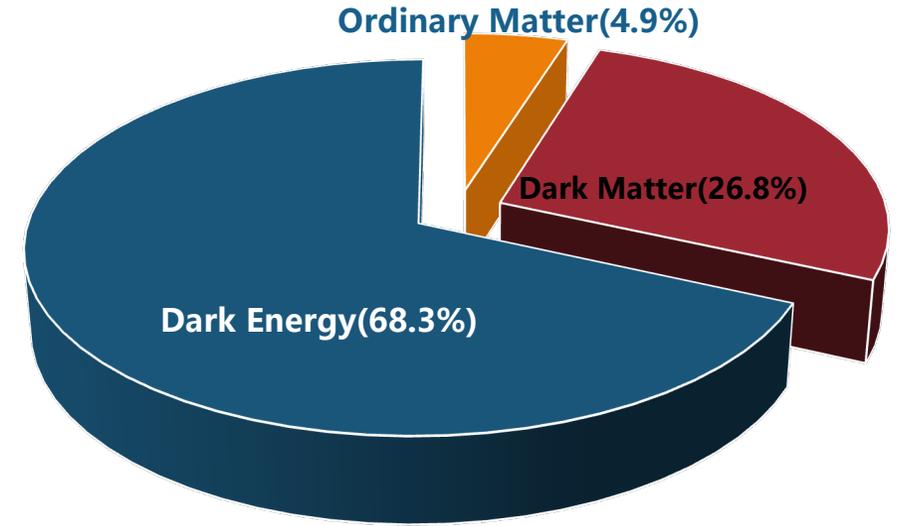
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Dark Matter



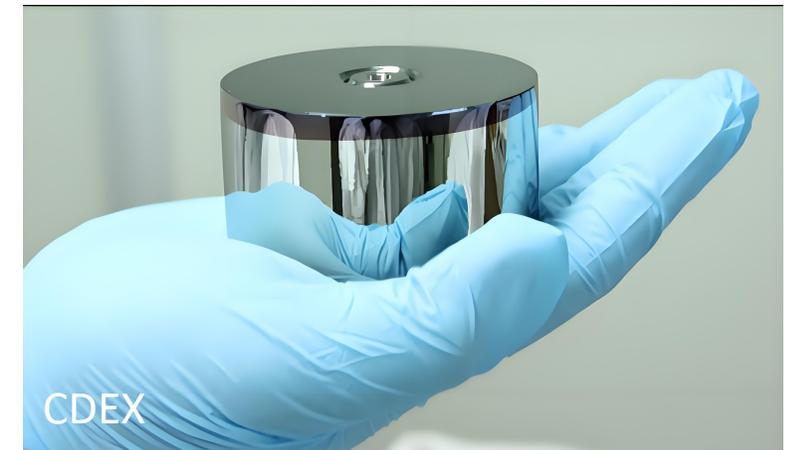
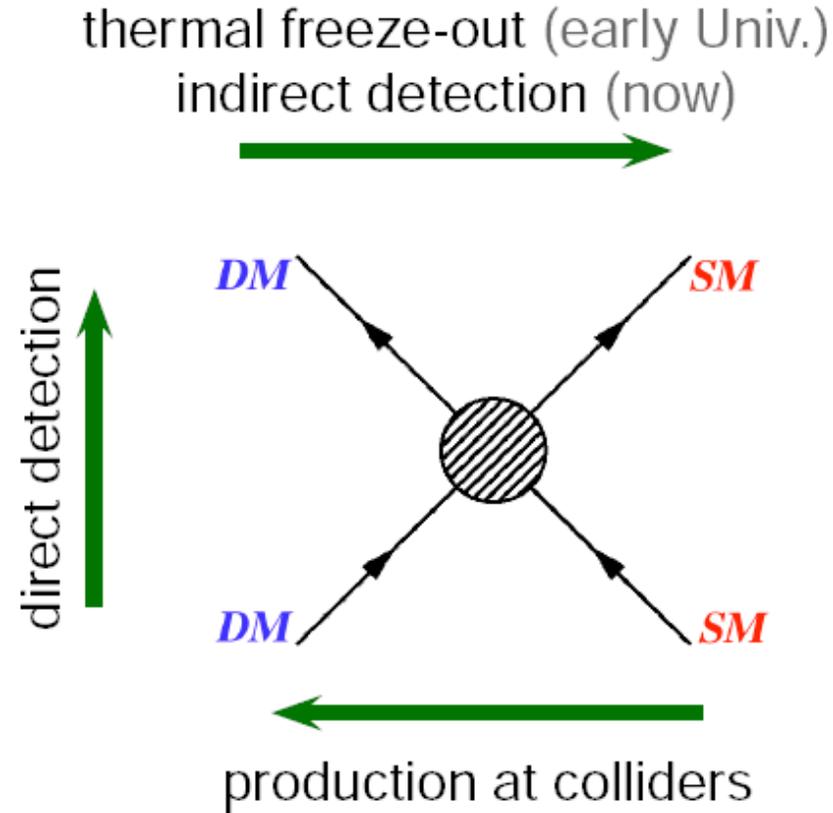
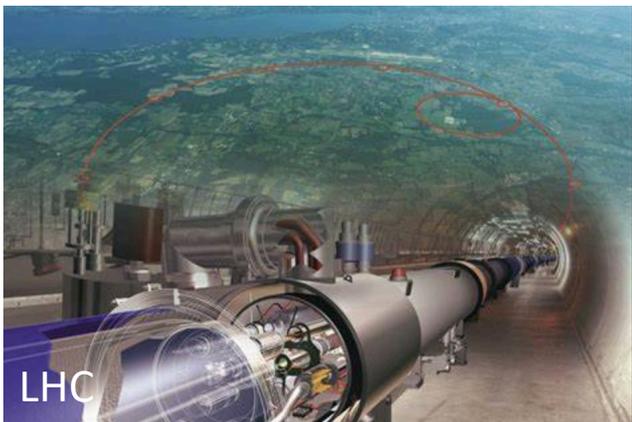
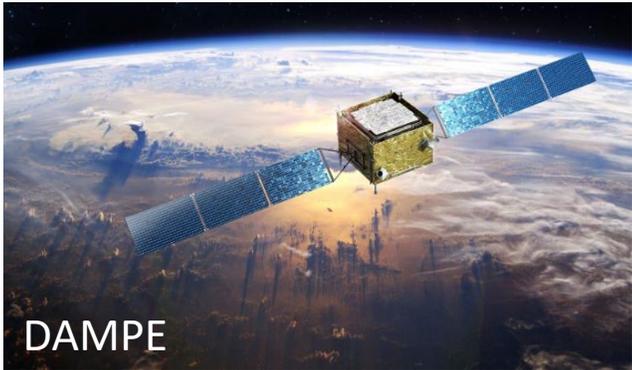
- Strong evidence of its existence
- Little knowledge of its nature



Experimental Searches



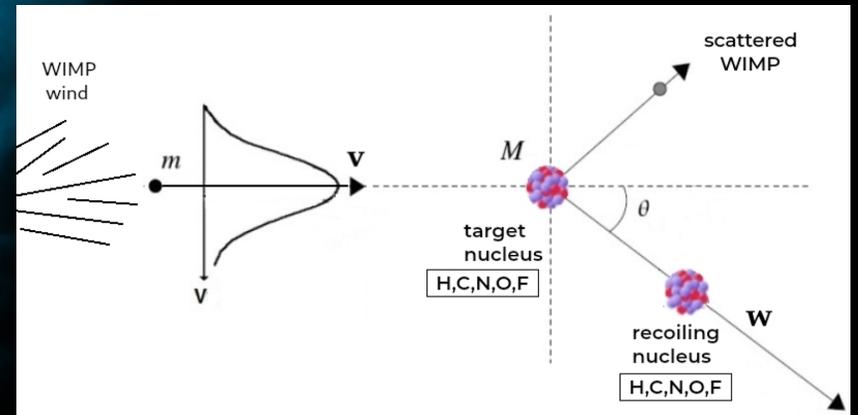
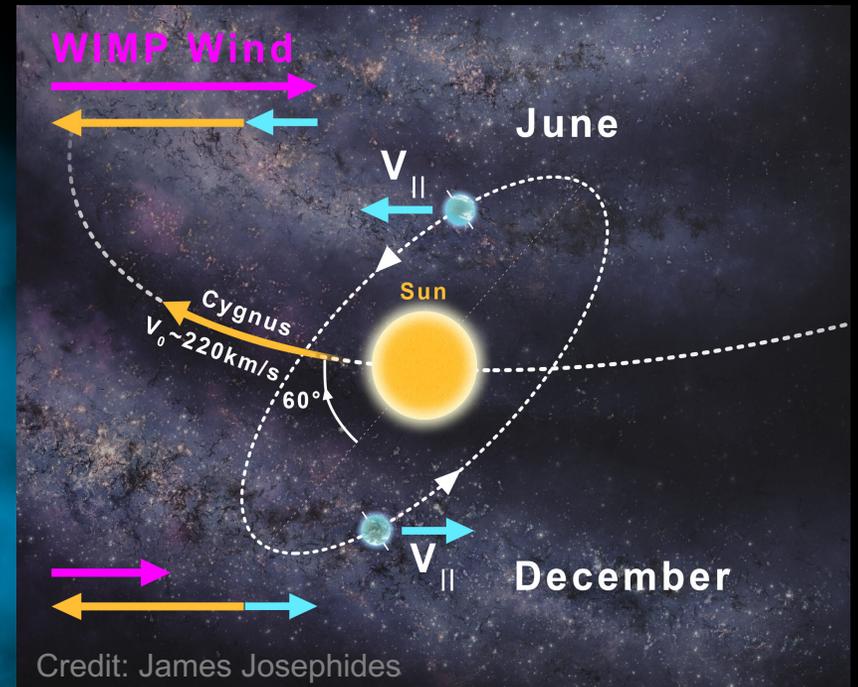
- **Direct detection, indirect detection, collider search**



Dark Matter Direct Detection



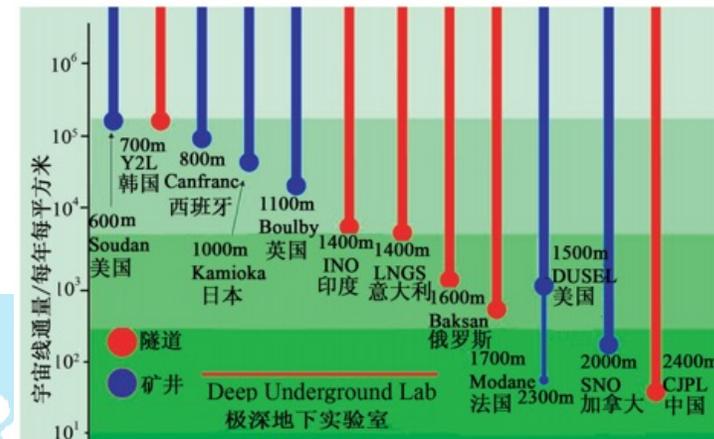
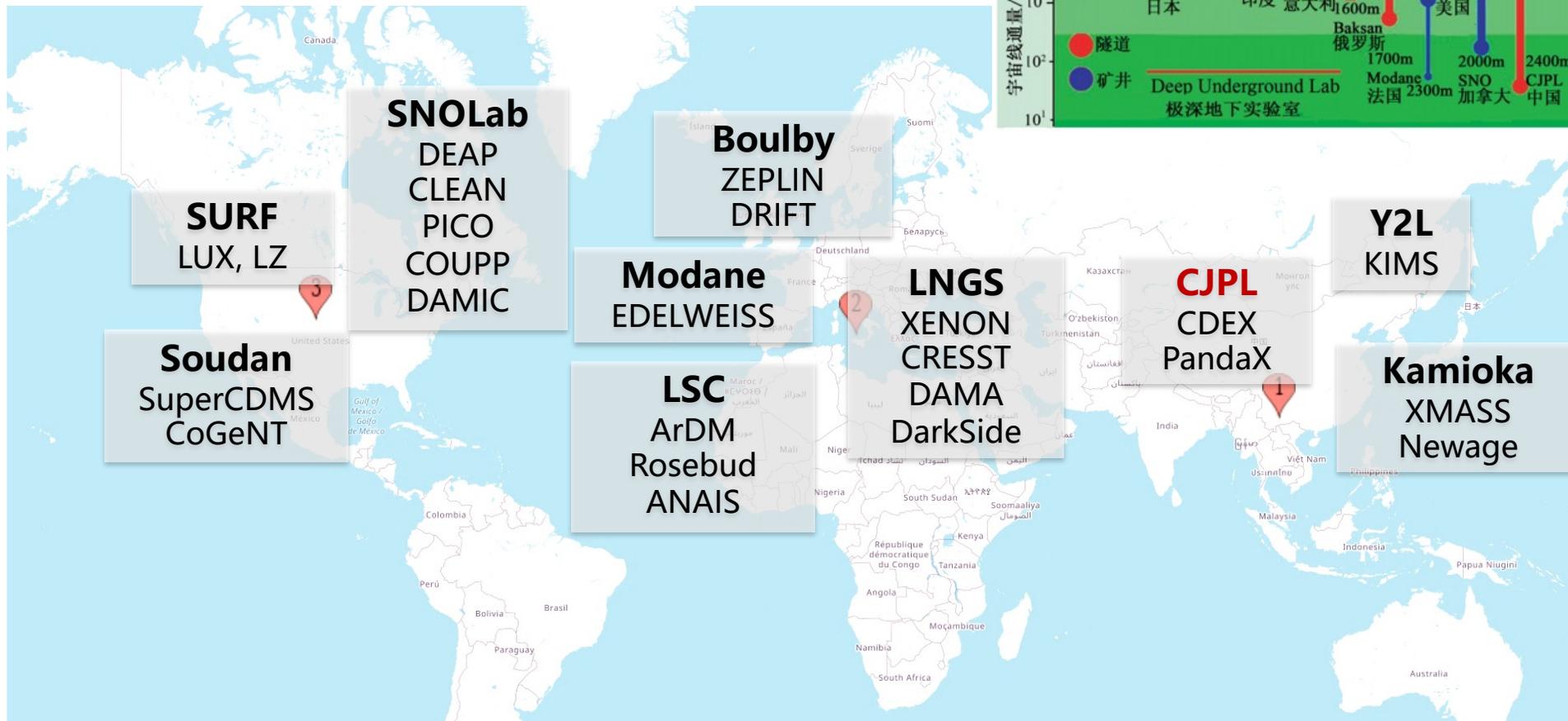
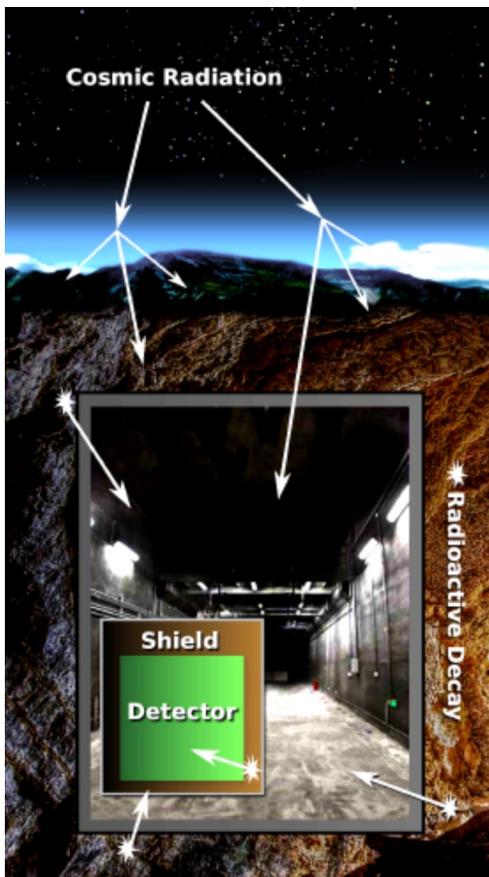
- **Local density**
 - $0.3 \text{ GeV}/\text{cm}^3$
- **Isothermal velocity distribution**
 - $v_0 \sim 220 \text{ km/s}$
- **Nuclear recoil (NR)**
- **Electron recoil (ER)**



World-wide Efforts



- Underground laboratories



Nuclear Recoil Signature



- **Nuclear recoil rate**

- Spin-independent, **coherent scattering**

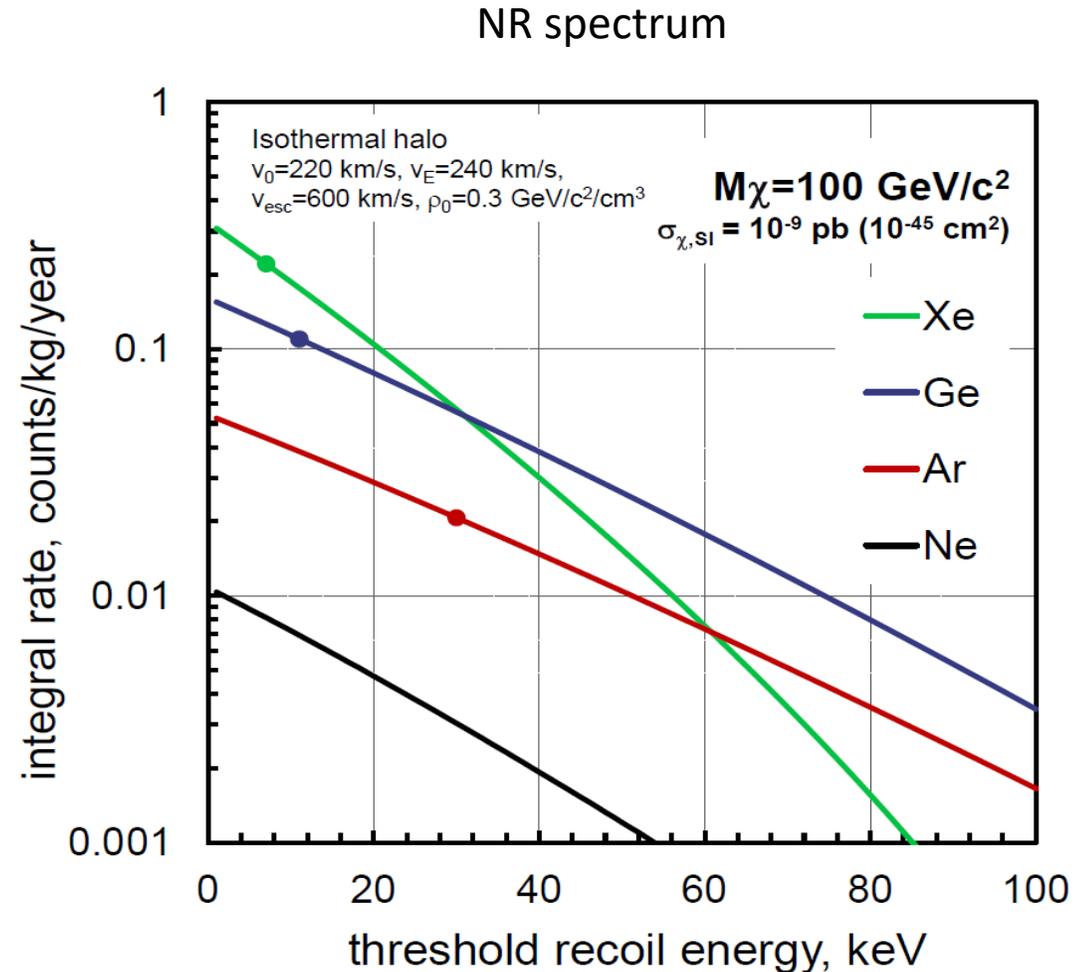
- $\sigma_N^{SI}(E_R) \propto A^2 F^2(E_R) \sigma_n$

- Spin-dependent, spin structure factor

- $\sigma_N^{SD}(E_R) \propto \frac{1}{2J+1} S(E_R) \sigma_n$

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{\rho_0}{m_\chi m_N} \int_{v_{min}}^{v_{esc}} \frac{d\sigma_{\chi N}}{dE_R}(v, E_R) v f(v) dv$$

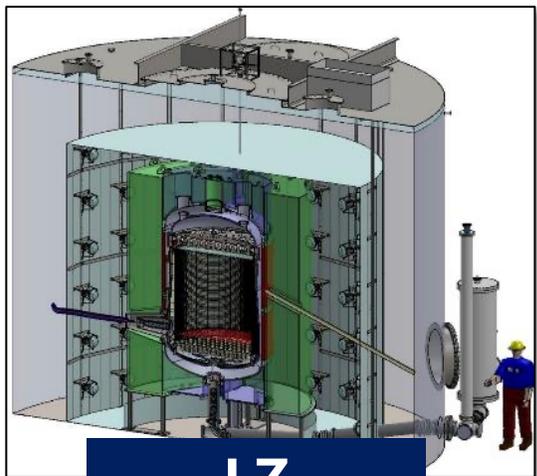
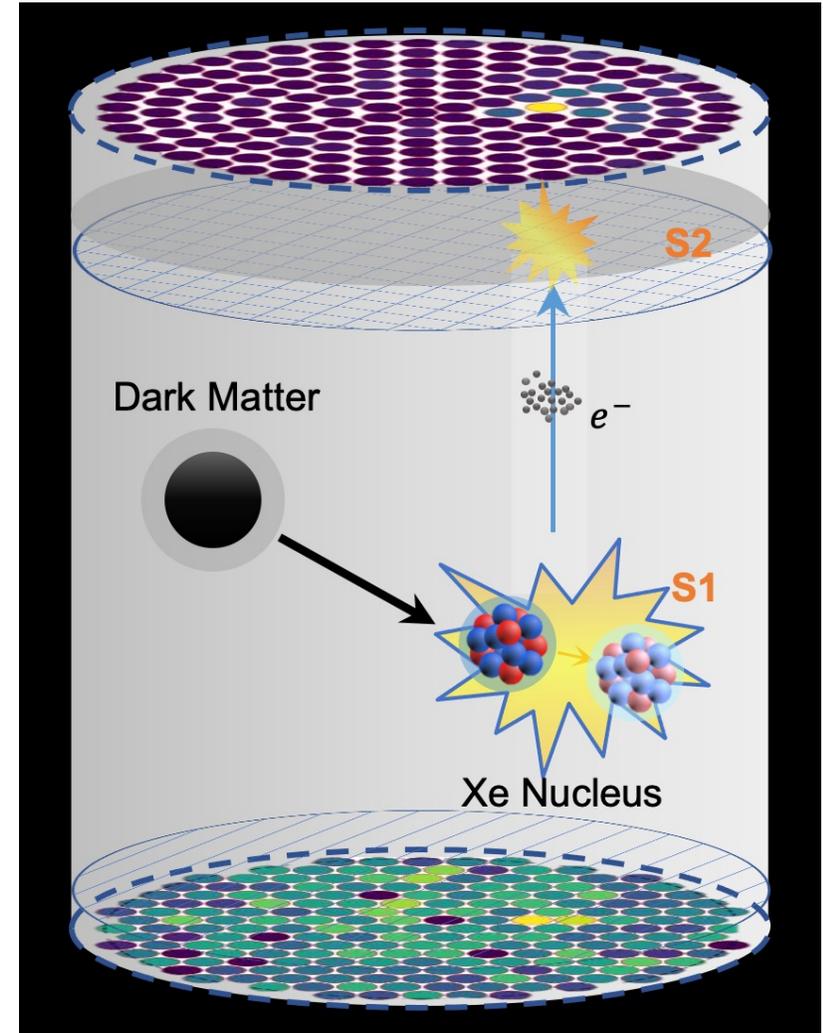
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\chi N}}{dE_R} = \frac{m_N}{2\mu_N^2 v^2} (\sigma_0^{SI} F_{SI}^2(E_R) + \sigma_0^{SD} F_{SD}^2(E_R))$$



Noble LXe Time Projection Chamber



- **Dual-phase TPC detector**
 - Scintillation light (S1) and ionized electron (S2)
- **Three leading xenon detectors**
 - LZ@SURF: 7-ton sensitive target
 - XENONnT@LNGS: 6-ton sensitive target
 - PandaX-4T@CJPL: 4-ton sensitive target



LZ



XENONnT



PandaX-4T

Noble LXe Time Projection Chamber



- **Paired S1-S2 events**

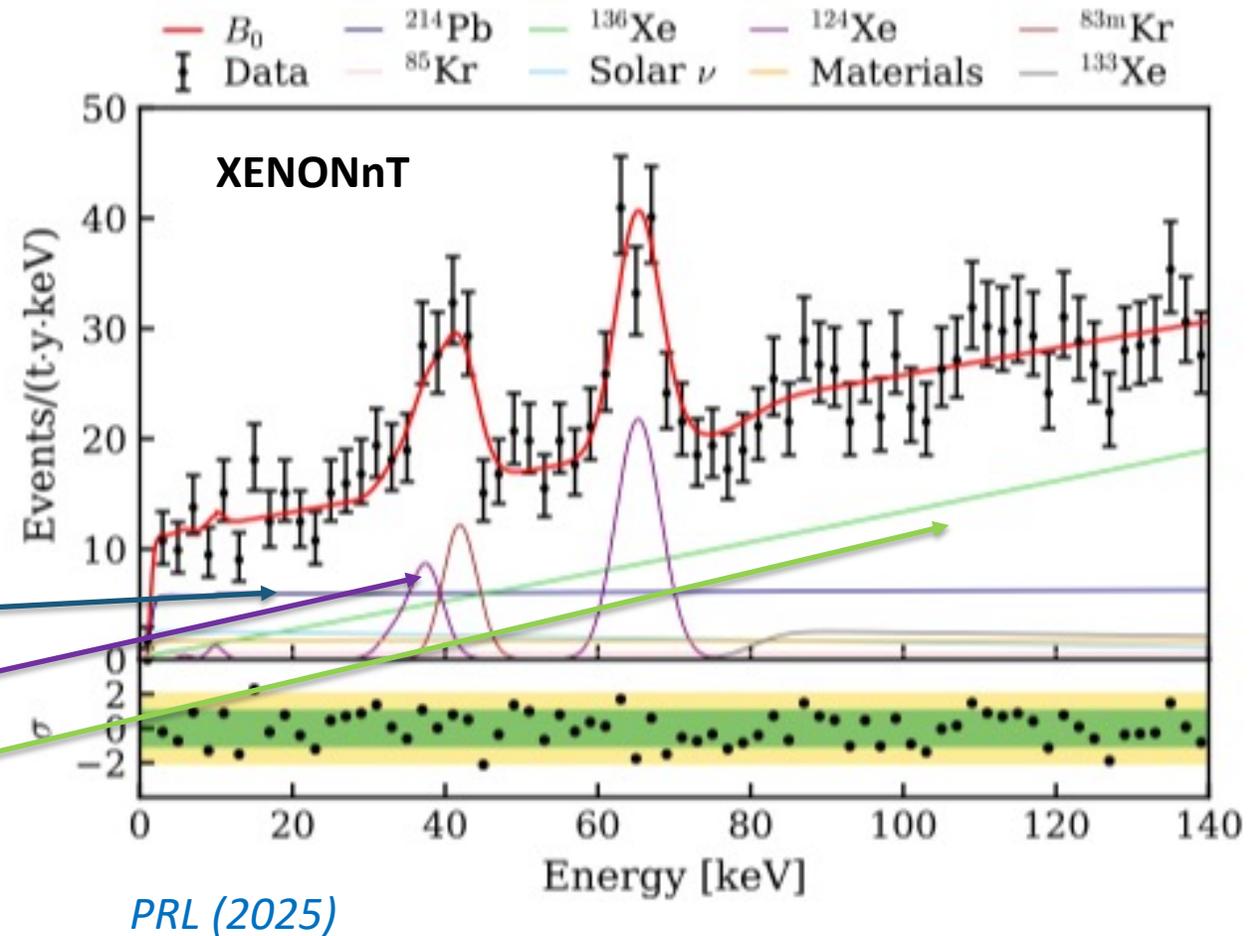
- Reconstructing energy and 3-D position (resolution \sim mm)
- NR vs ER discrimination (50% NR efficiency and \sim 99.5% ER rejection)

- **Detection energy threshold**

- \sim 3 keV NR or 1 keV ER

- **Dominant background**

- Rn-222: online distillation \sim 1uBq/kg
- Xe-124: 2vECEC
- Xe-136: 2vDBD



Noble LXe Time Projection Chamber

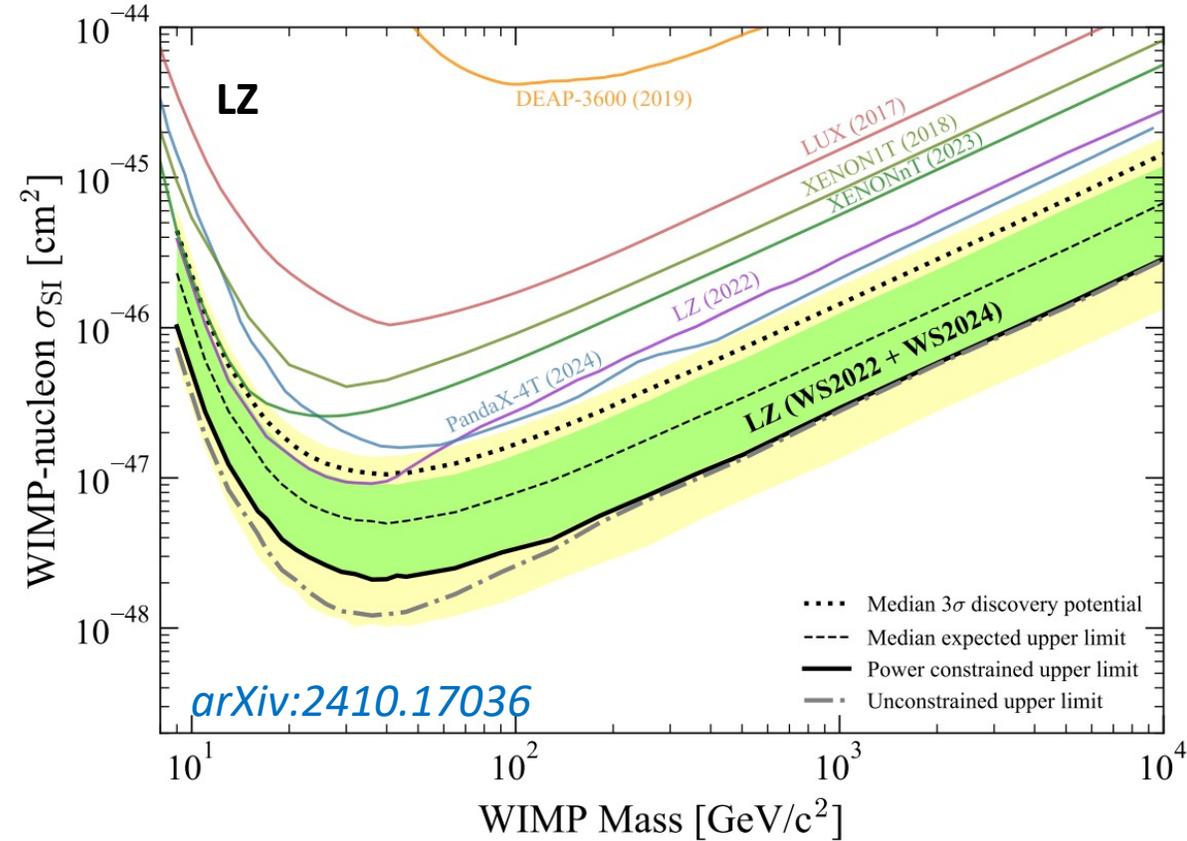


- **LZ experiment**

- currently the largest exposure 4.2 tonne-year

- **Strongest limits on WIMPs > 10 GeV/c²**

- Limits of σ_{SI} reaches 2×10^{-48} cm² at 36 GeV/c² DM
 - Expected sensitivity reaches 5×10^{-48} cm² at 40 GeV/c²)



Noble LAr Detector

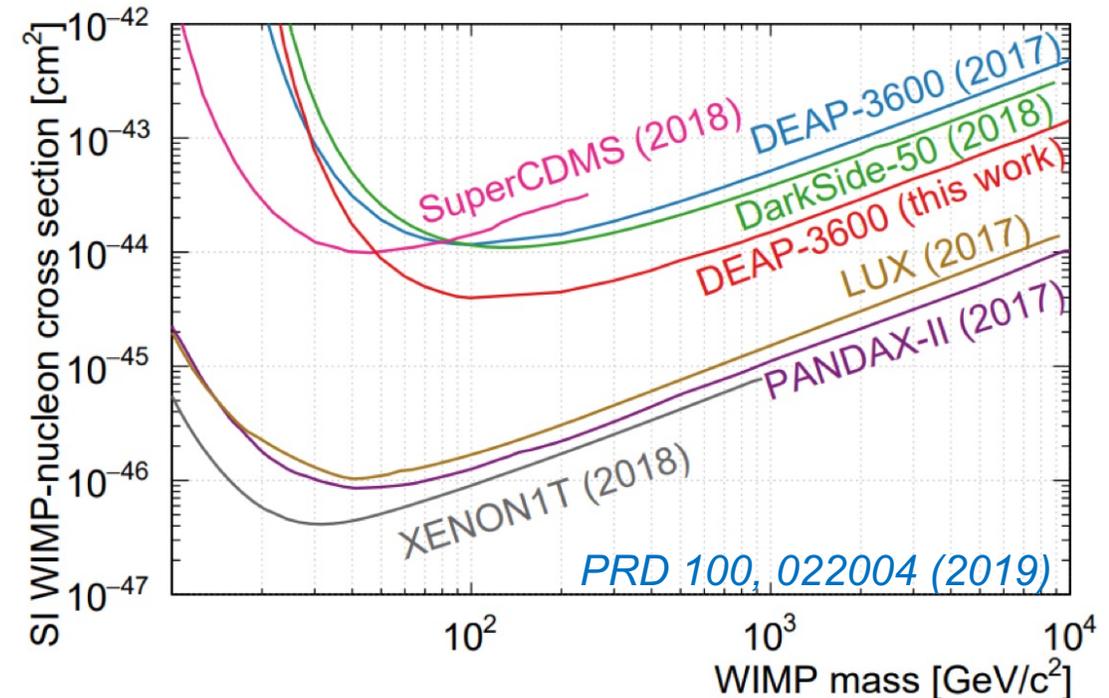
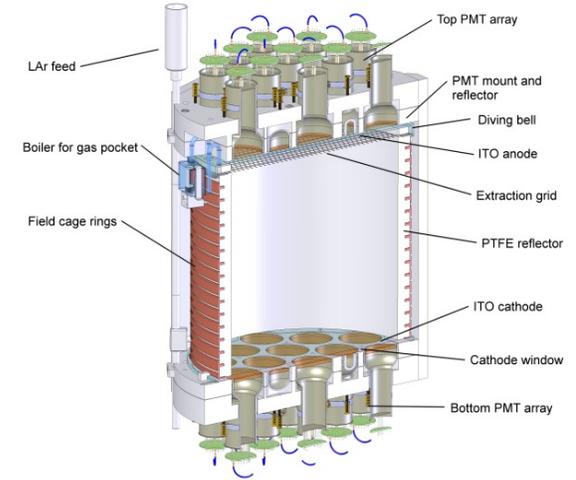
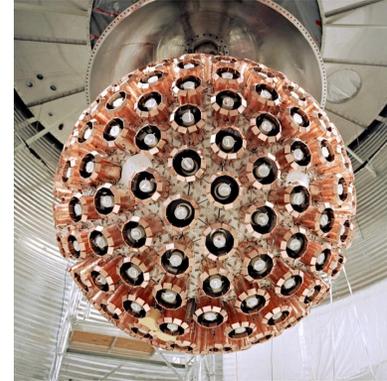


- **DEAP3600 @SNOLAB**

- Single-phase, Ar 3.6 tonne
- PSD for NR/ER separation
- New position reconstruction algorithm ([arXiv:2503.10383](https://arxiv.org/abs/2503.10383))
- Upcoming WIMP results with 831 days' data

- **Darkside-50 @LNGS**

- Dual-phase
- Low-radioactive Ar 46.4 kg

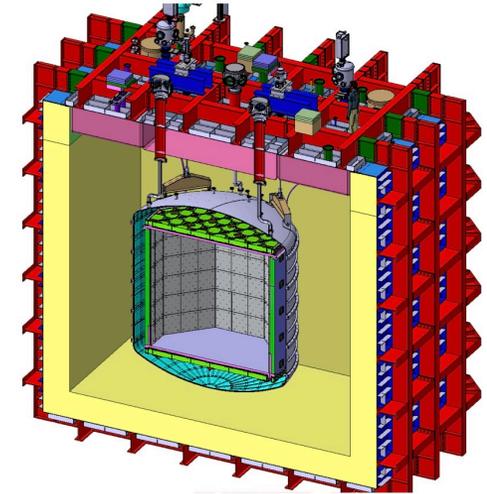


DarkSide-20k in Construction

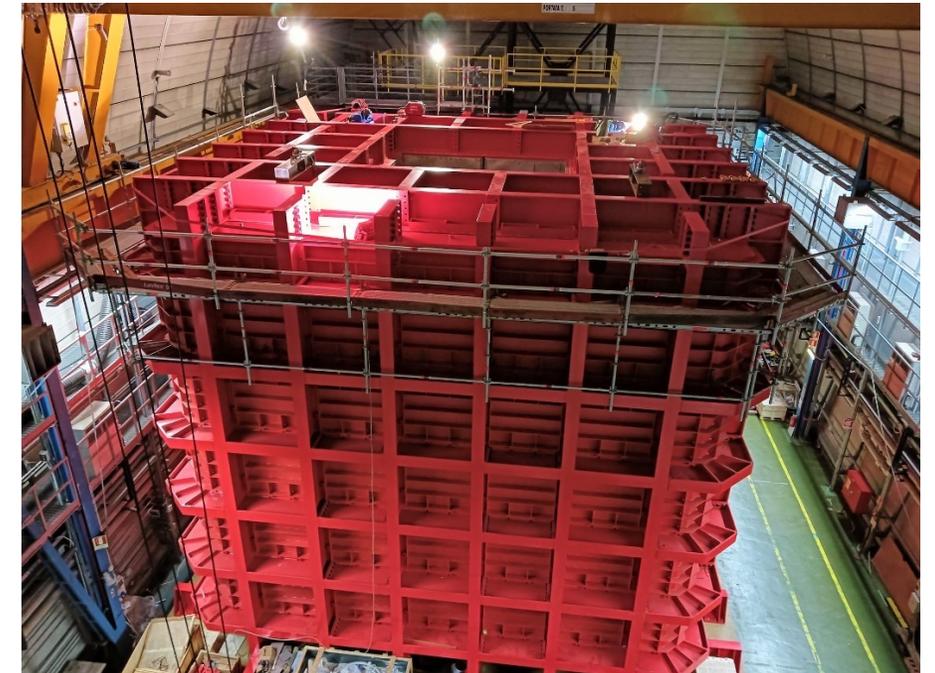
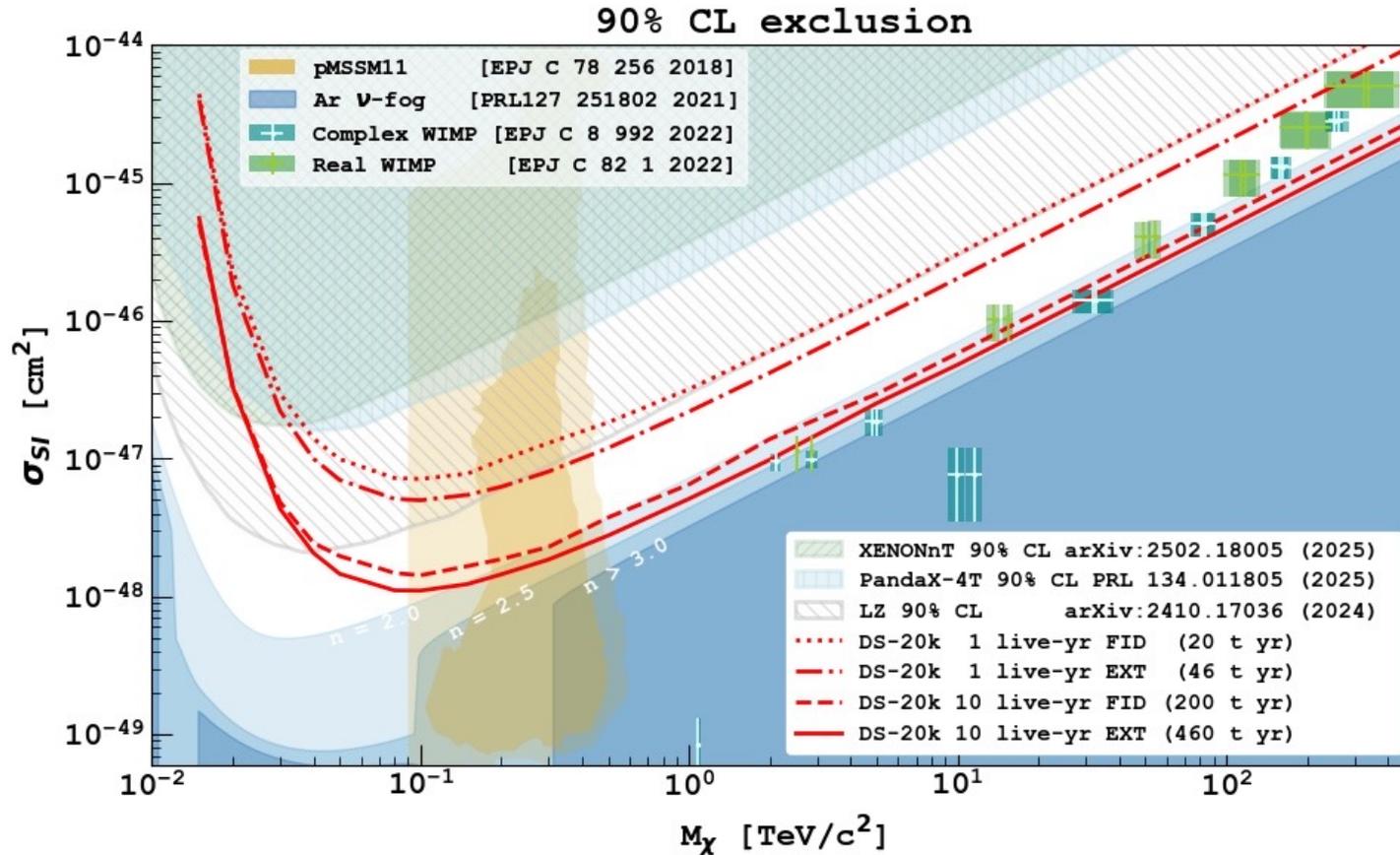


- **DarkSide-20k @LNGS**

- Active (fiducial) UAr mass: 49.7 (20.2) t



DarkSide-20k

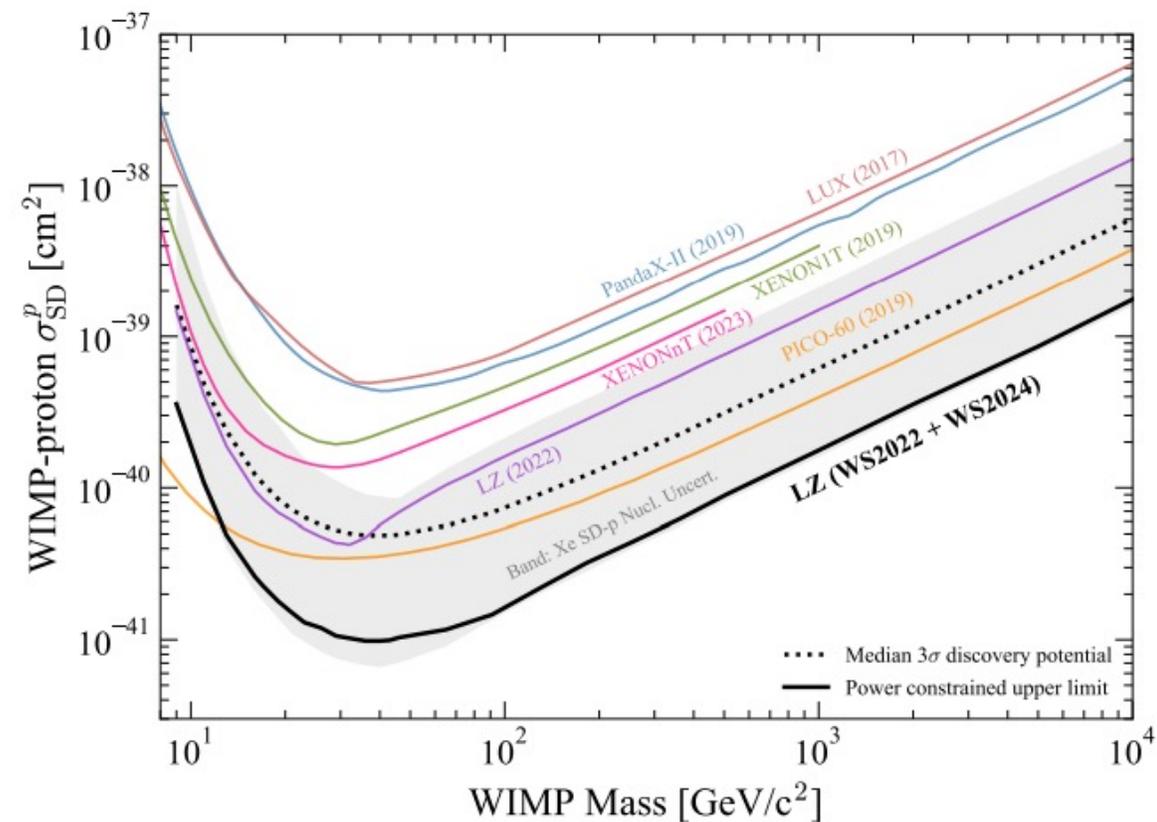
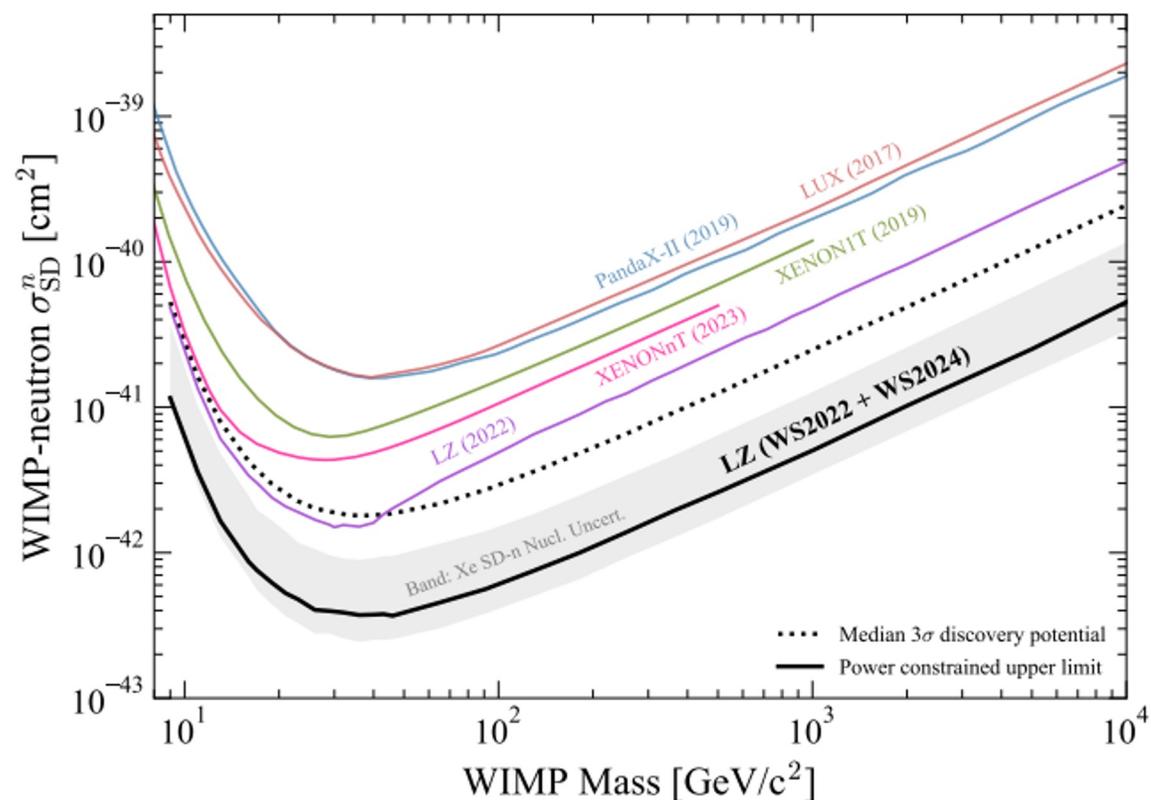


Spin-dependent Nuclear Recoil



- **Xenon: odd-A isotope with unpaired neutron**

- ^{129}Xe (26.4%, spin-1/2), ^{131}Xe (21.2%, spin-3/2)

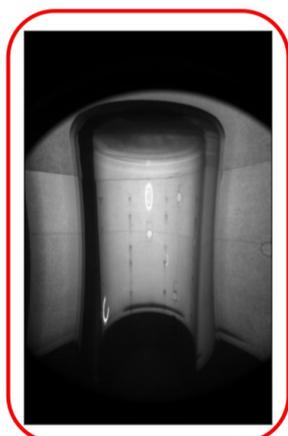
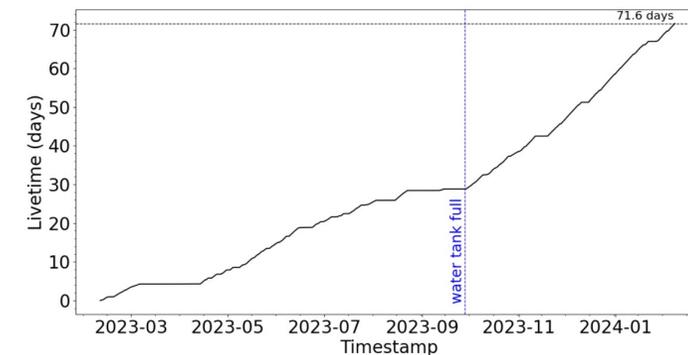


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PICO-40L Bubble Chamber



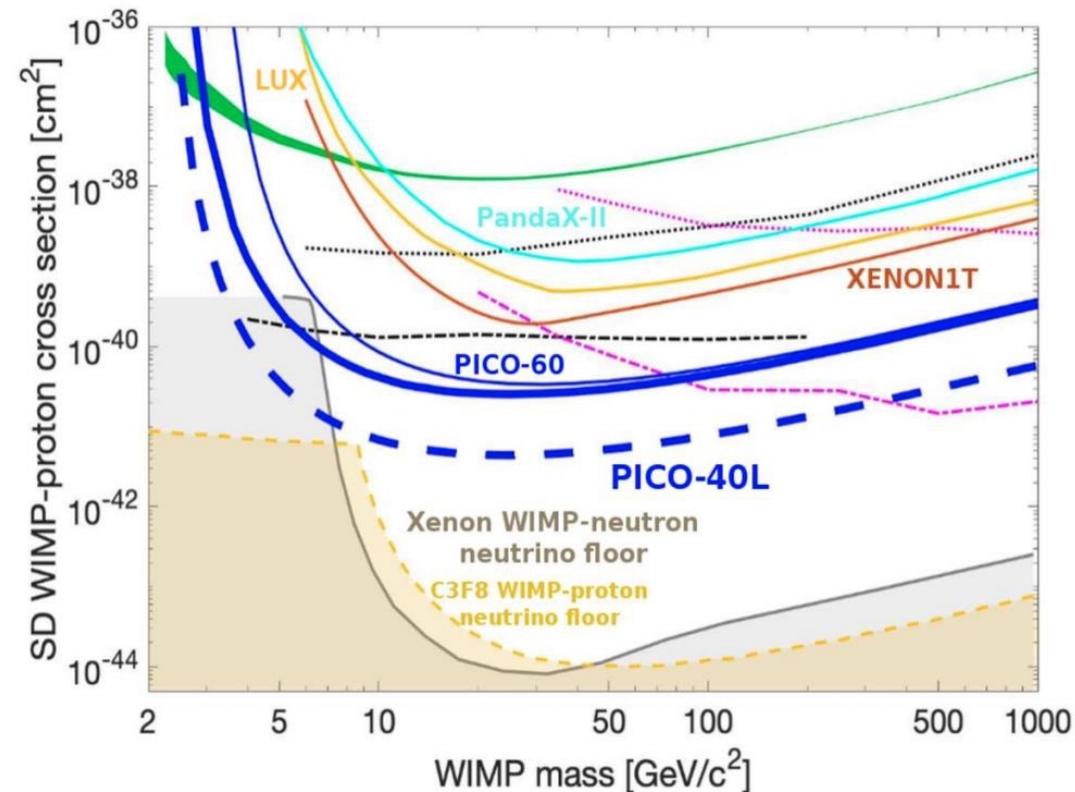
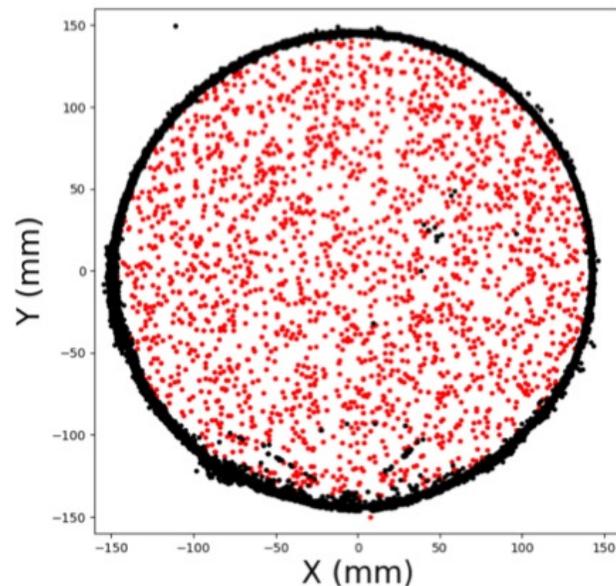
- **Bubble chamber with superheated liquid C_3F_8**
 - ^{19}F with unpaired proton, spin-1/2
 - Passive ER rejection (no bubble for electron recoil)
 - Camera for position reconstruction
 - Acoustic Parameter for alpha rejection



PICO-40L



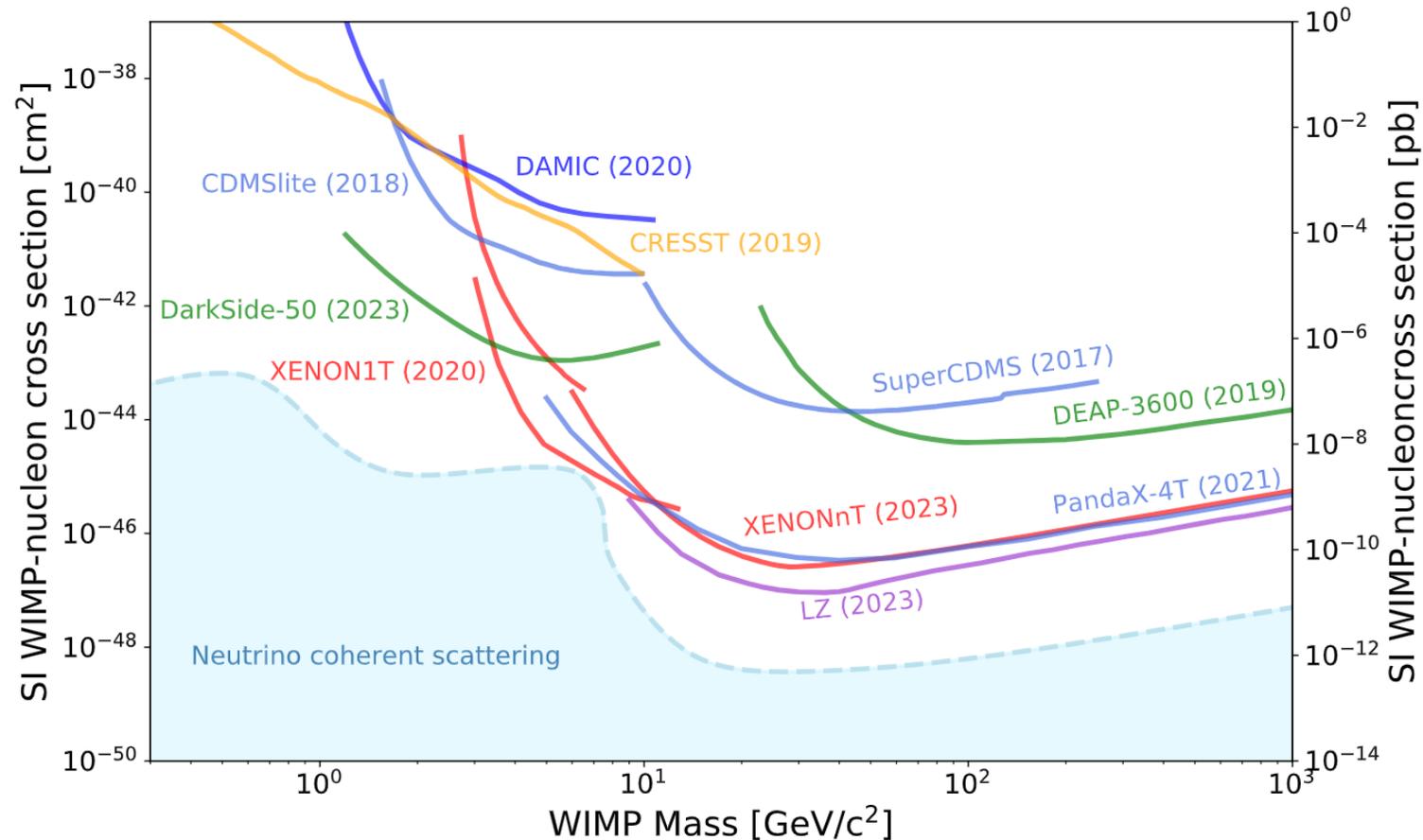
PICO-500



Lowering Detection Threshold



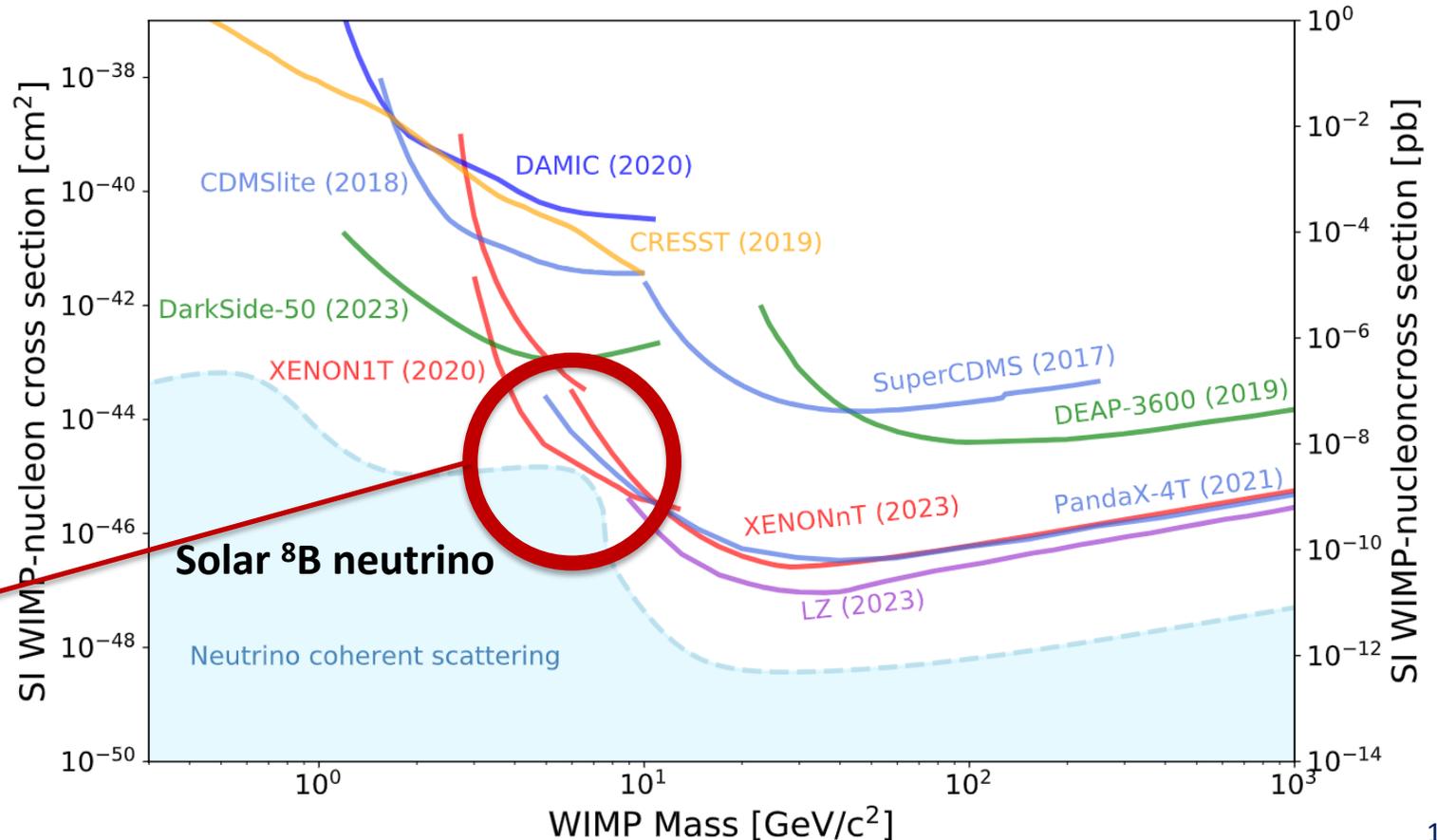
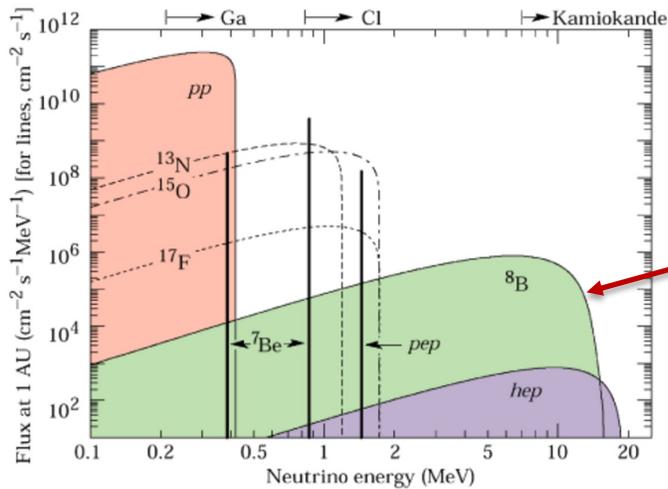
- **Sensitivity decreases significantly for DM mass < 10 GeV**
 - Limited by scintillation light signal detection



Lowering Detection Threshold



- **Sensitivity decreases significantly for DM mass < 10 GeV**
 - Limited by scintillation light signal detection
- **Low threshold detection**
 - Solar ^8B neutrino CEvNS

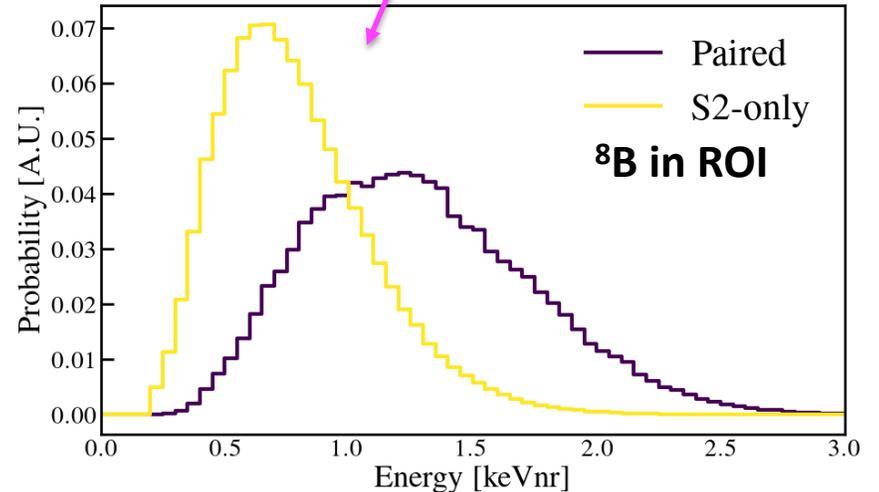
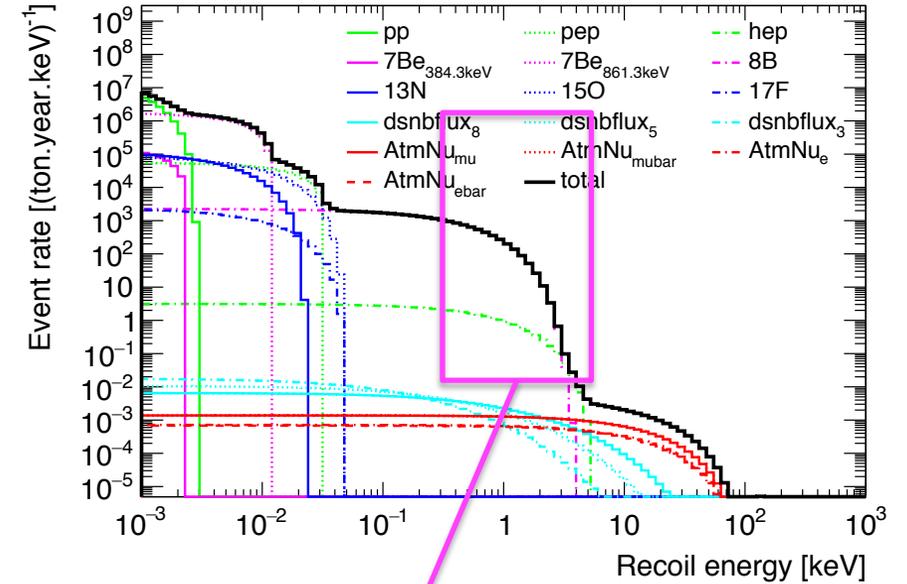
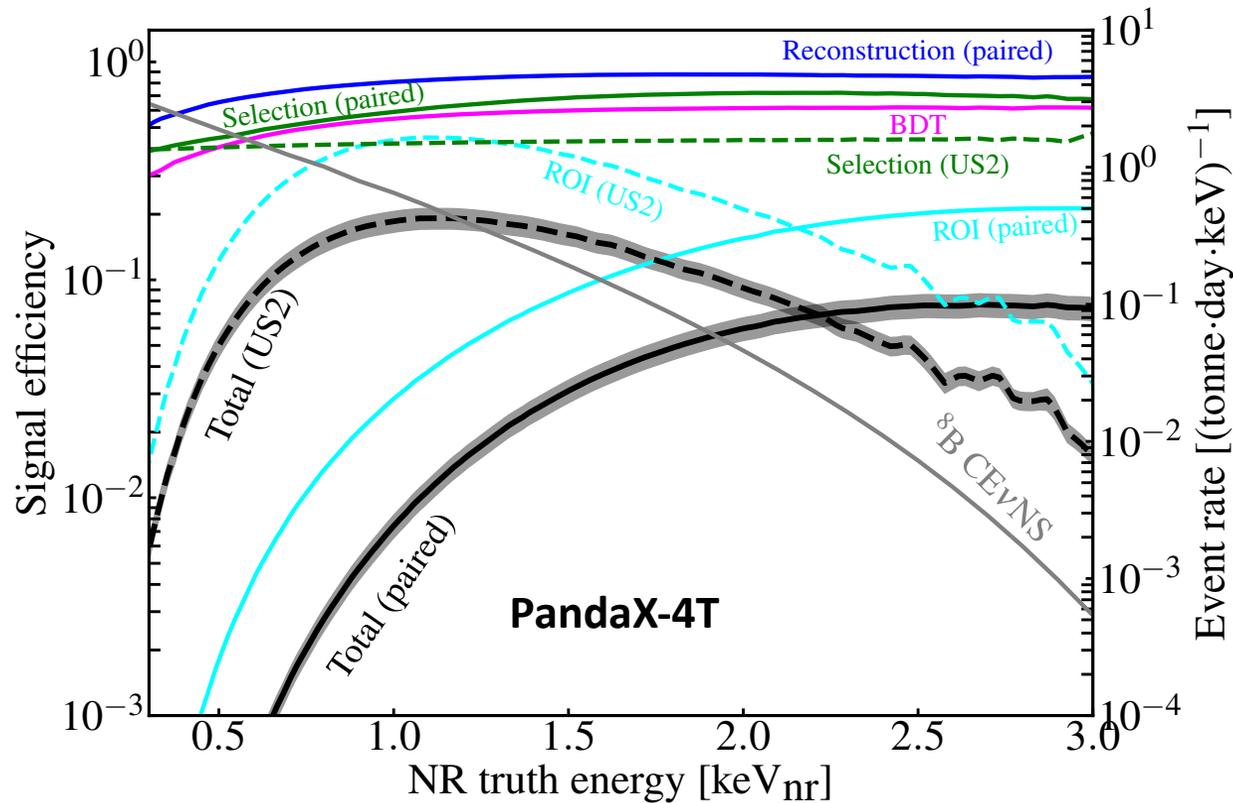


Low-threshold Detection



- **Low threshold detection: NR threshold $\sim 3\text{keV} \rightarrow \sim 0.3\text{keV}$**

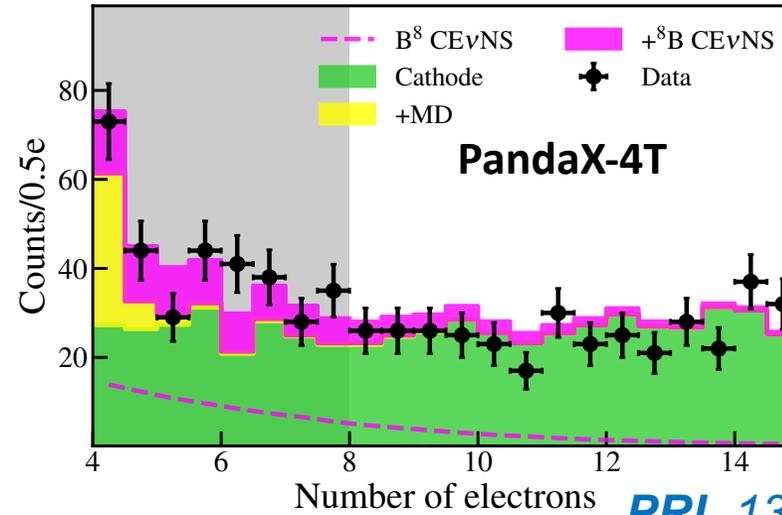
- low threshold paired ROI
- Ionization S2-only ROI



First Indication of Solar ^8B Neutrino CEvNS

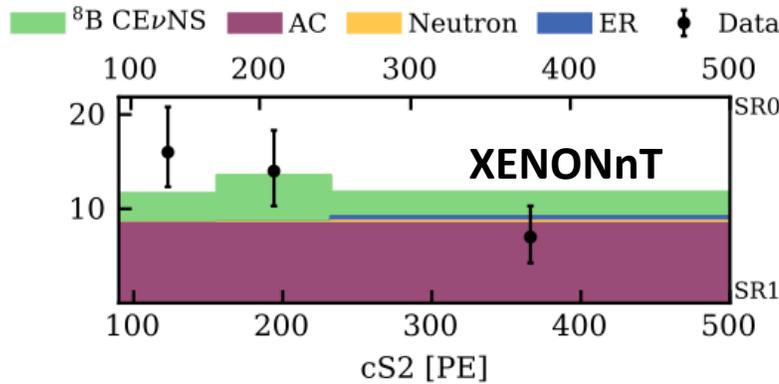


- **PandaX-4T: 1.0 tonne-year**
 - S2only and Paired ROIs: 2.64 sigma
- **XENONnT: 3.5 tonne-year**
 - Paired ROI: 2.73 sigma



Best-fit ^8B yield
 Paired: 3.5 ± 1.3 evts
 S2only: 75 ± 28 evts

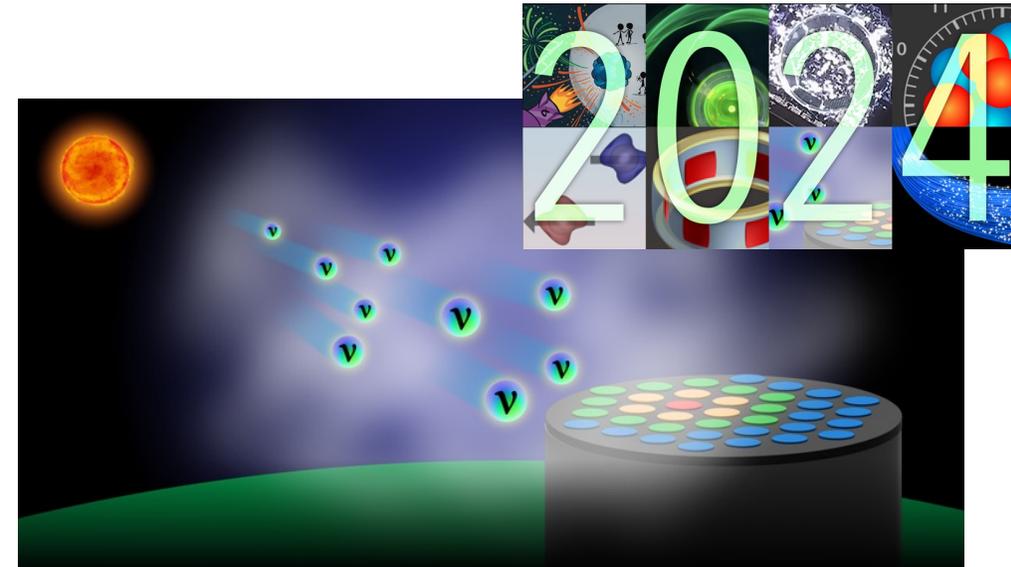
PRL 133, 191001 (2024)



Best-fit ^8B yield
 Paired: $10.7^{+3.7}_{-4.2}$ evts

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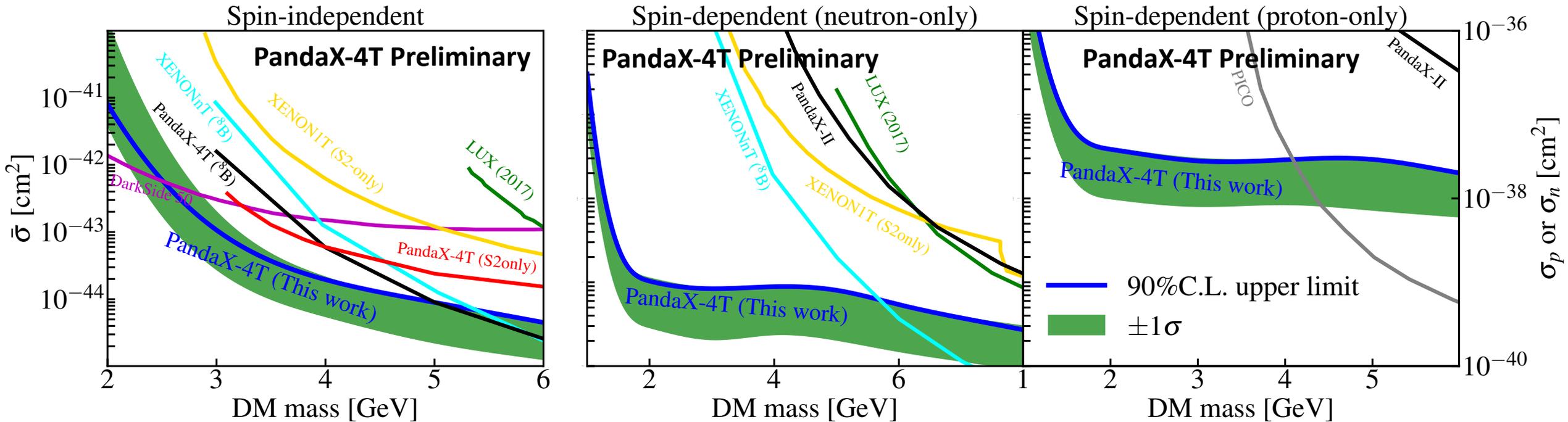
- **Demonstrating low-mass DM detection capability**



Low Mass Dark Matter Detection



- **Extending high-sensitive region to 2 – 6 GeV/c²**
 - SI $\sim 10^{-41} - 10^{-44} \text{cm}^2$, SD-neutron $\sim 10^{-39} \text{cm}^2$, SD-proton $\sim 10^{-38} \text{cm}^2$

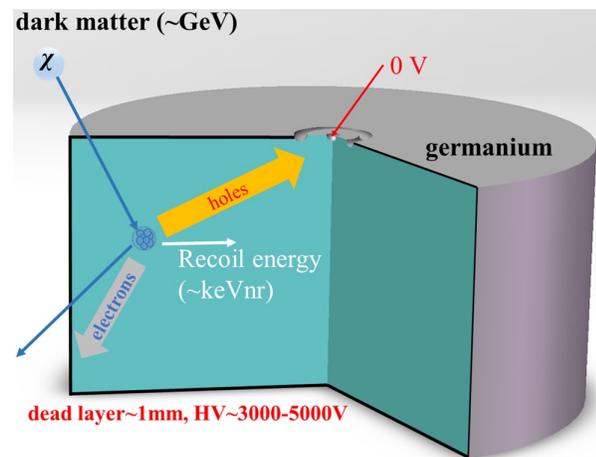


- **Even touching the neutrino floor, can still have sensitivity to DM signals based on the energy spectrum information**

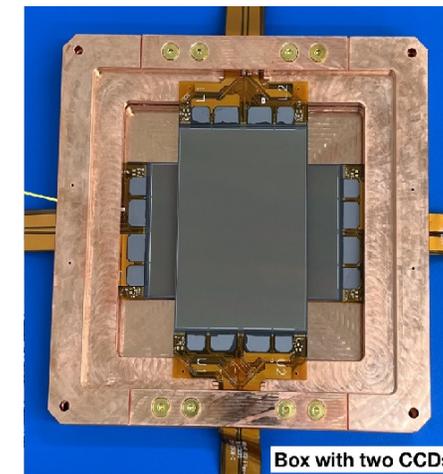
Low Mass Dark Matter Detection



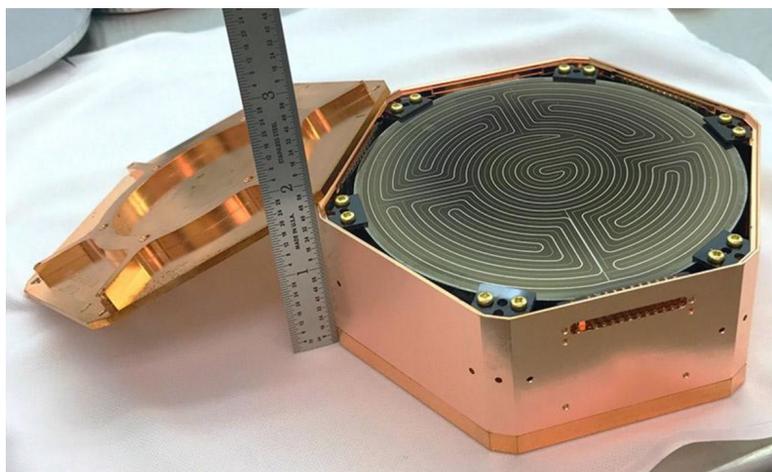
- **Low threshold detectors**
 - Cryogenic solid target
 - Ge, Si, CaWO₄, Skipper CCD



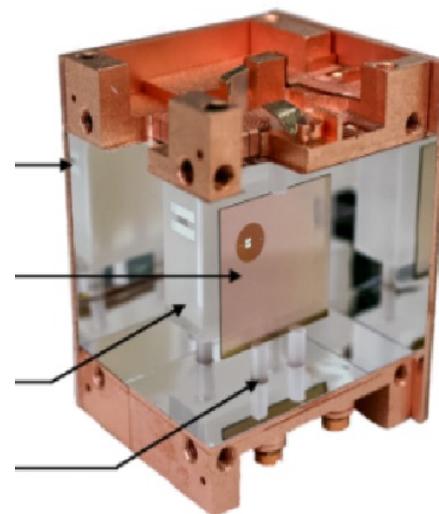
CDEX



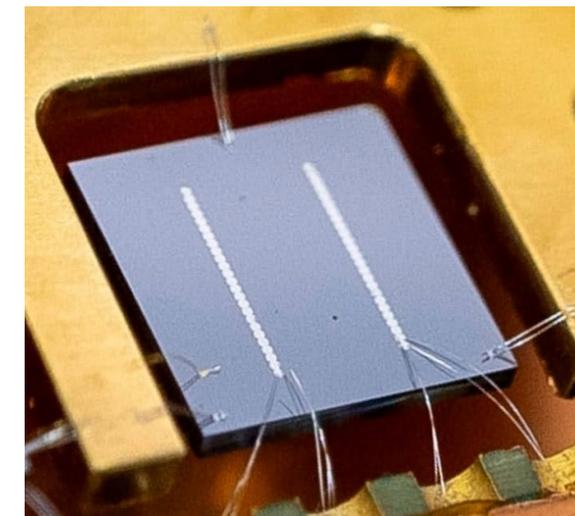
DAMIC-M



SuperCDMS



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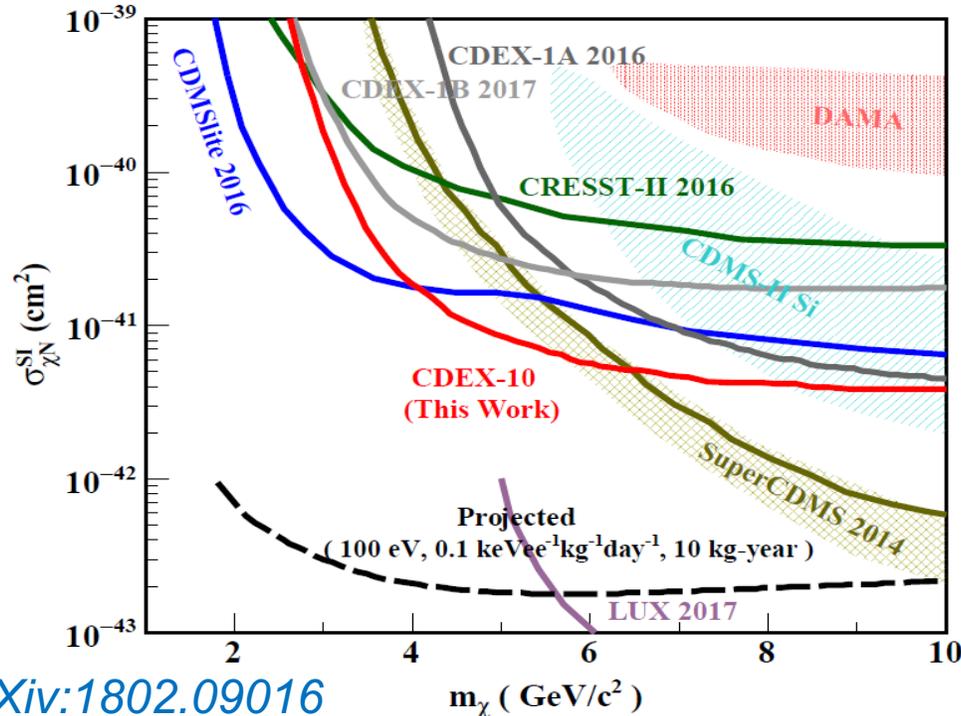
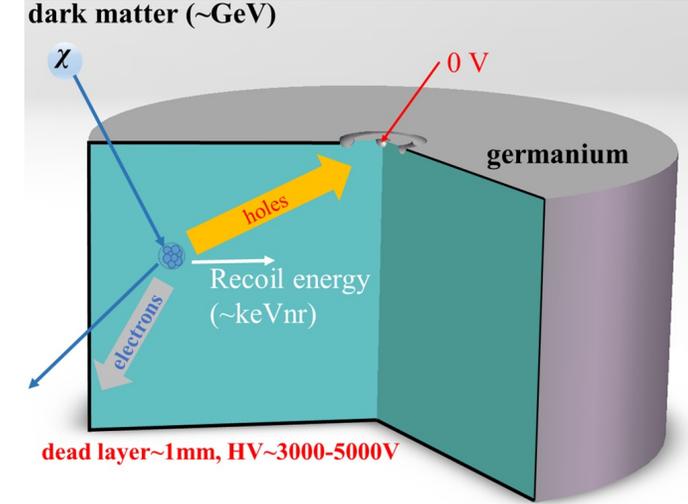


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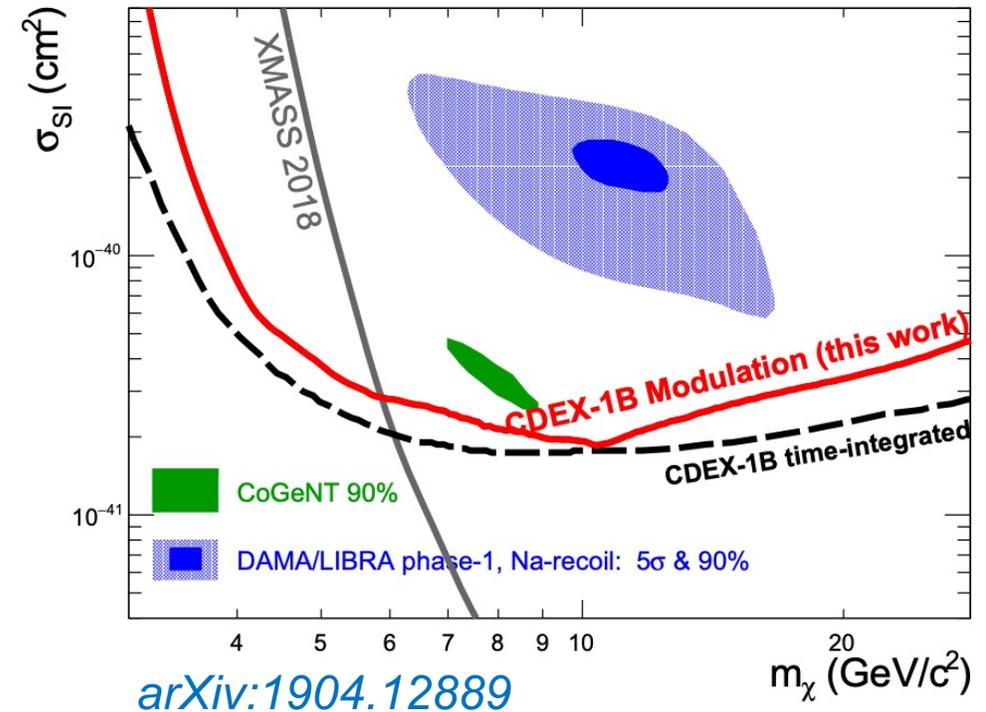
CDEX-10



- **>10 kg PPC Ge**
 - Low background ~ 2 cts/(keV·kg·day)
 - Low threshold ~ 160 eV_{ee}



arXiv:1802.09016



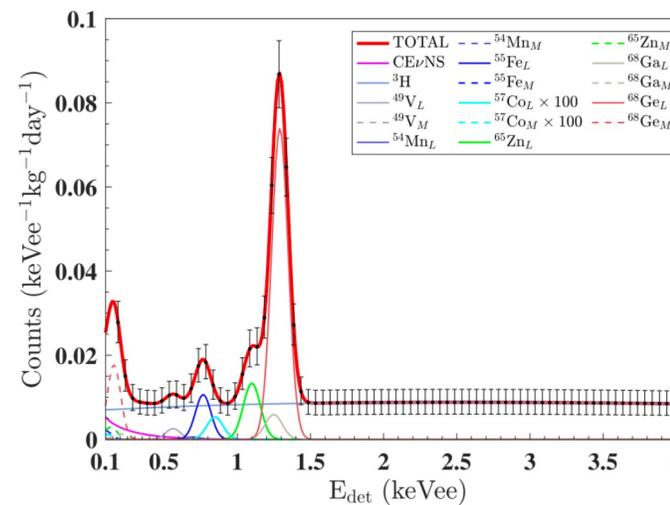
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CDEX-50 in Construction

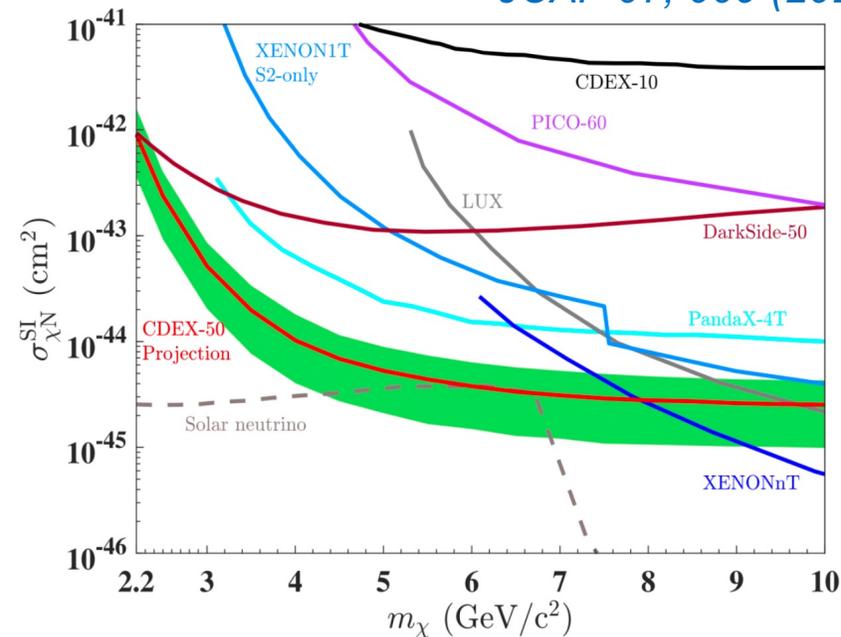
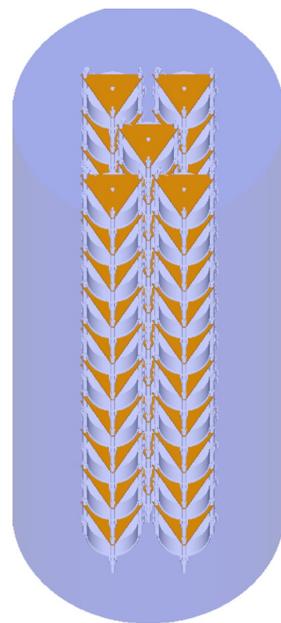
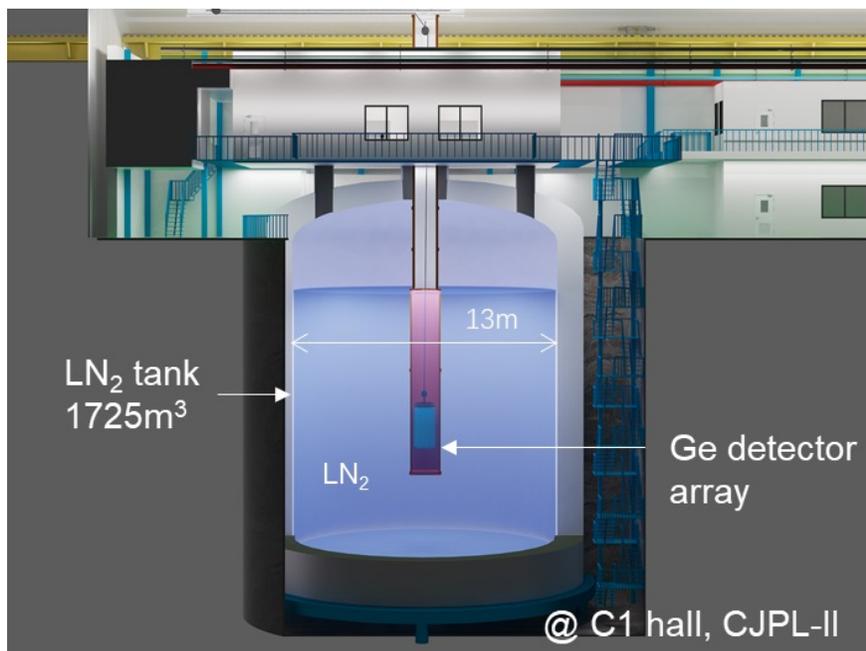


• CDEX-50

- ~50 kg HGe array directly immersed in LN₂
- Low bkgd < 0.01 cts/(keV·kg·day)
- Expected exposure ~50 kg·year
- Sensitivity can reach 10⁻⁴⁴ cm² @2-10 GeV



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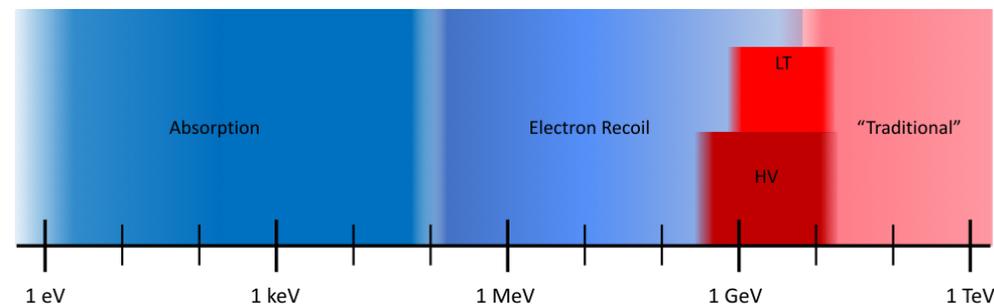


SuperCDMS

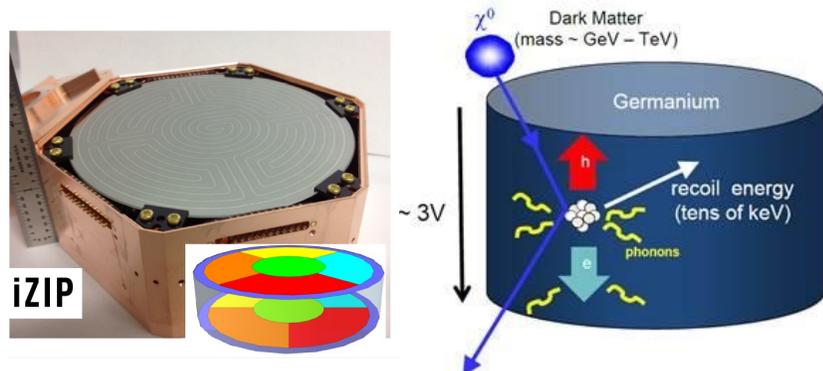


- **Low threshold heat and ionization detector primarily for low mass**
 - Phonon readout via Transition edge sensors
 - Charge readout via interleaved electrodes
 - Threshold can be lowered to **~100eV NR**

“Traditional” NR	iZIP, “background free”	$\gtrsim 5$ GeV
Low Threshold NR	iZIP, limited discrimination	$\gtrsim 1$ GeV
HV Mode	HV, no discrimination	$\sim 0.3 - 10$ GeV
Electron recoil	HV, no discrimination	$\sim 0.5\text{MeV} - 10$ GeV
Absorption (Dark Photons, ALPs)	HV, no discrimination	~ 1 eV - 500 keV



Interleaved Z-sensitive Ionization and Phonon (iZIP) detectors

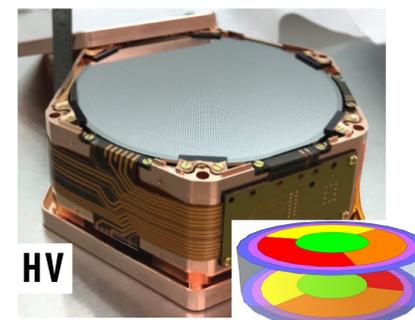


12 phonon channels, 4 charge channels
 Low bias voltage (~ 6 V)
 ER/NR discrimination

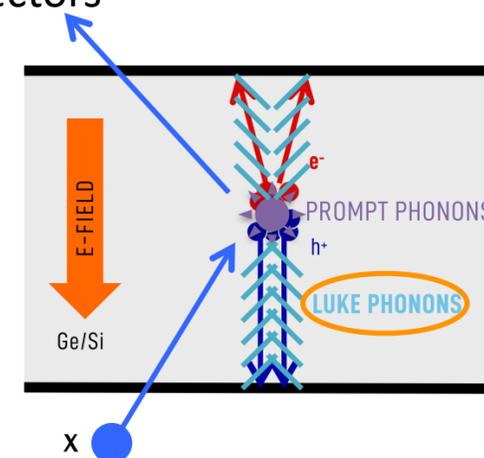
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iZIP		
	Si	Ge
σ_{ph}	19 eV	33 eV
σ_{ch}	180 eV	160 eV
Threshold _{ph}	175 eV	350 eV
HV		
	Si	Ge
σ_{ph}	13 eV	34 eV
Threshold _{ph}	100 eV	100 eV

High Voltage (HV) detectors



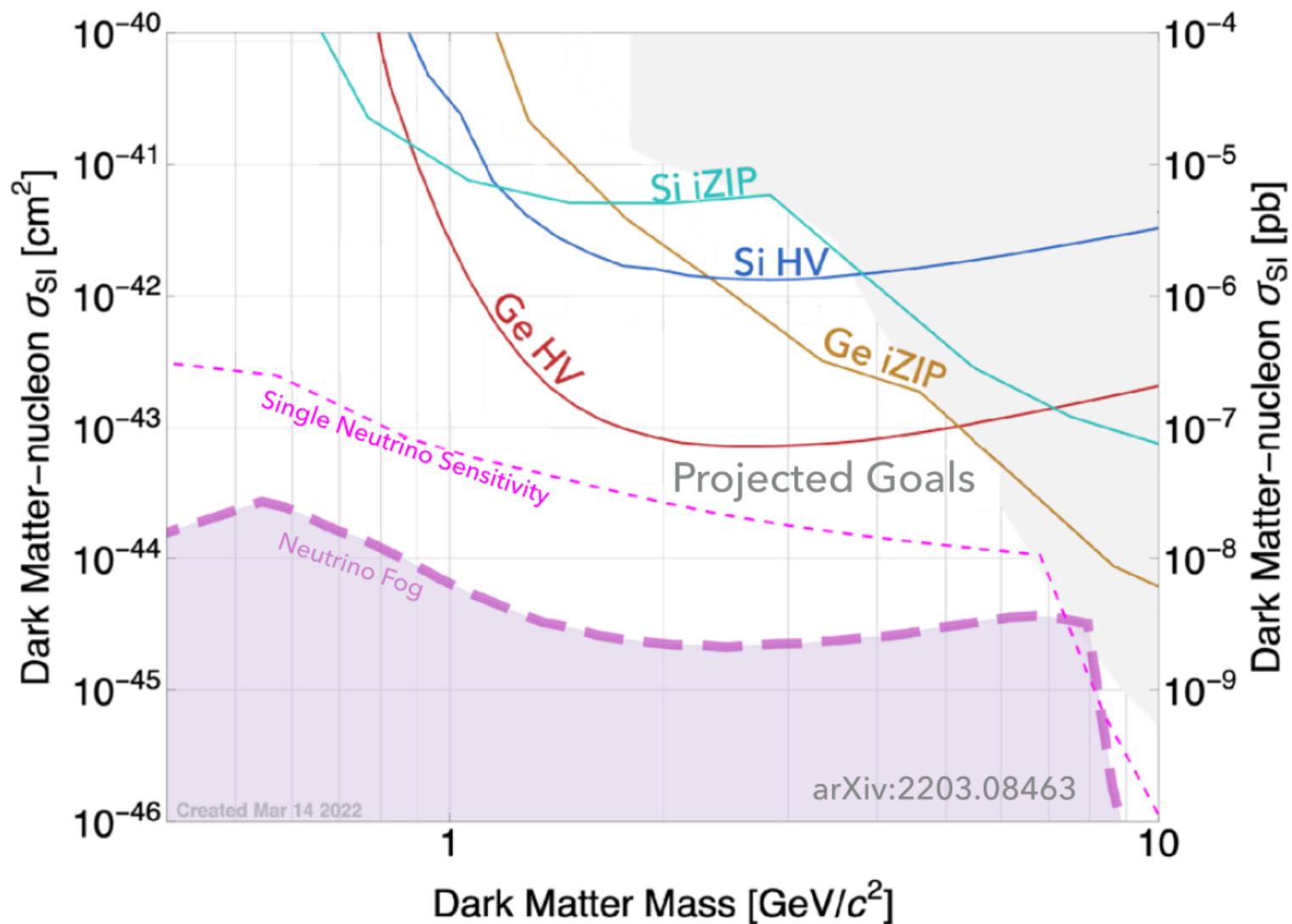
12 phonon channels
 High bias voltage (~ 100 V)
 Low threshold



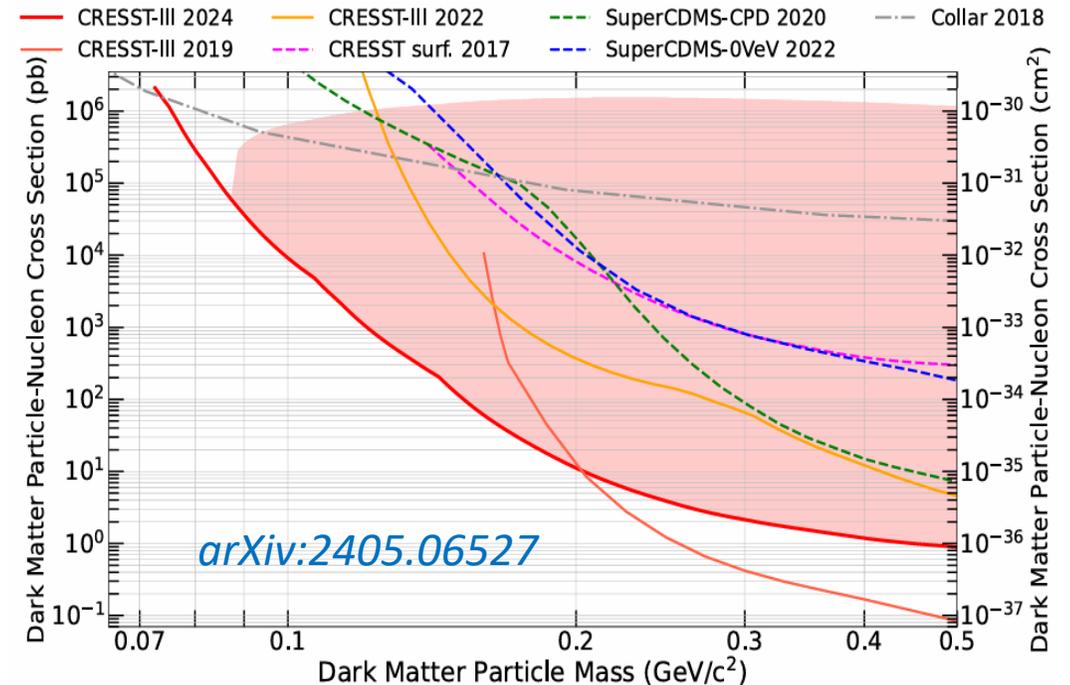
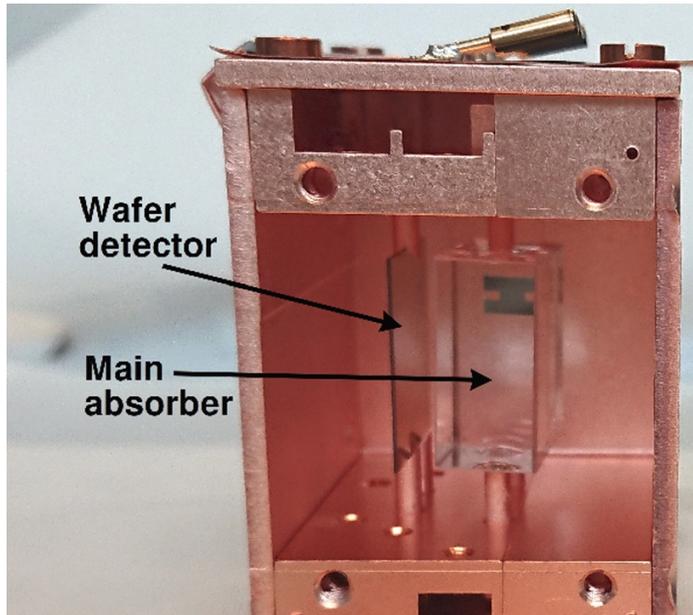
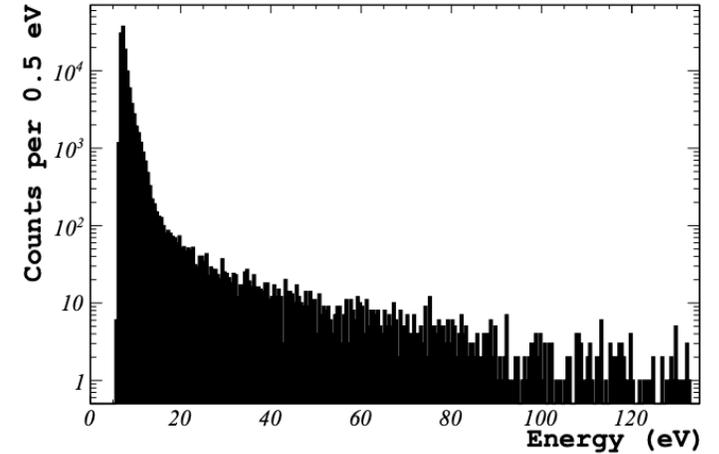
SuperCDMS



- Expected to cover ~ 1 GeV DM



- **Cryogenic calorimeter**
 - Si-on-Sapphire, 0.6 g, 138 g*day, threshold **6.7 eV**
 - Precise measurement of nuclear recoil energy
 - Additional light detector for discrimination
- **Covering DM mass down to 0.1 GeV/c²**



WIMP-electron Scattering

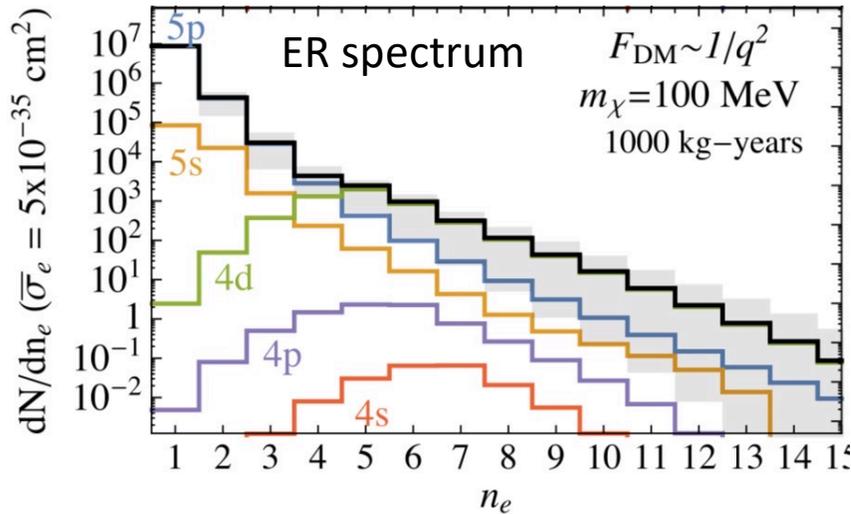


WIMP-electron coupling

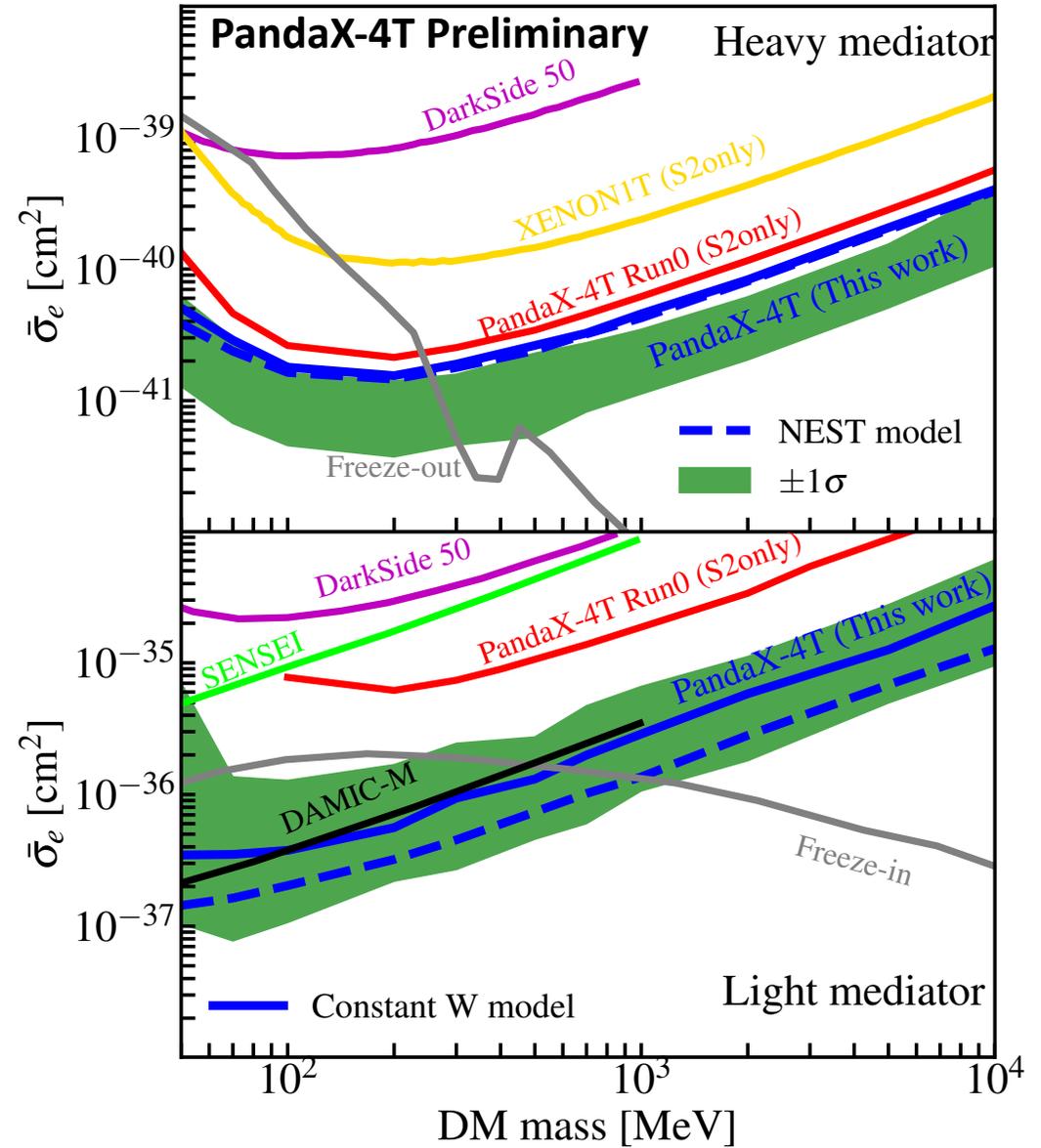
- Heavy mediator or light mediator

$$\frac{dR}{d \ln E_{er}} = N_T \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \sum_{nl} \frac{d\langle \sigma_{ion}^{nl} v \rangle}{d \ln E_{er}}$$

$$\frac{d\langle \sigma_{ion}^{nl} v \rangle}{d \ln E_{er}} = \frac{\bar{\sigma}_e}{8 \mu_{\chi e}^2} \int dq q |f_{ion}^{nl}(k', q)|^2 |F_{DM}(q)|^2 \eta(v_{min})$$



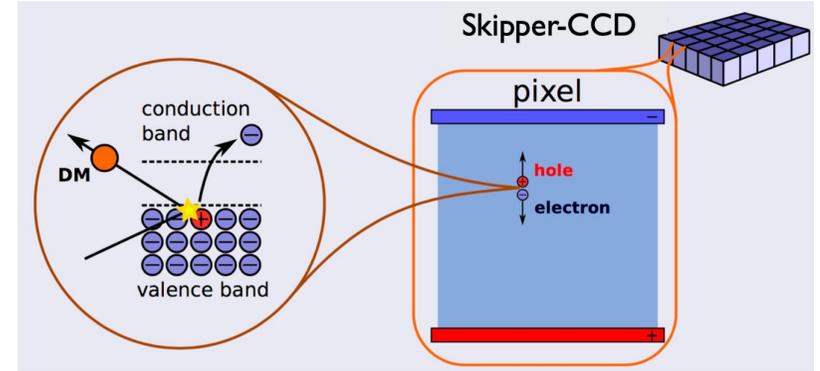
Probing DM mass ~100MeV in LXe



SENSEI / DAMIC-M

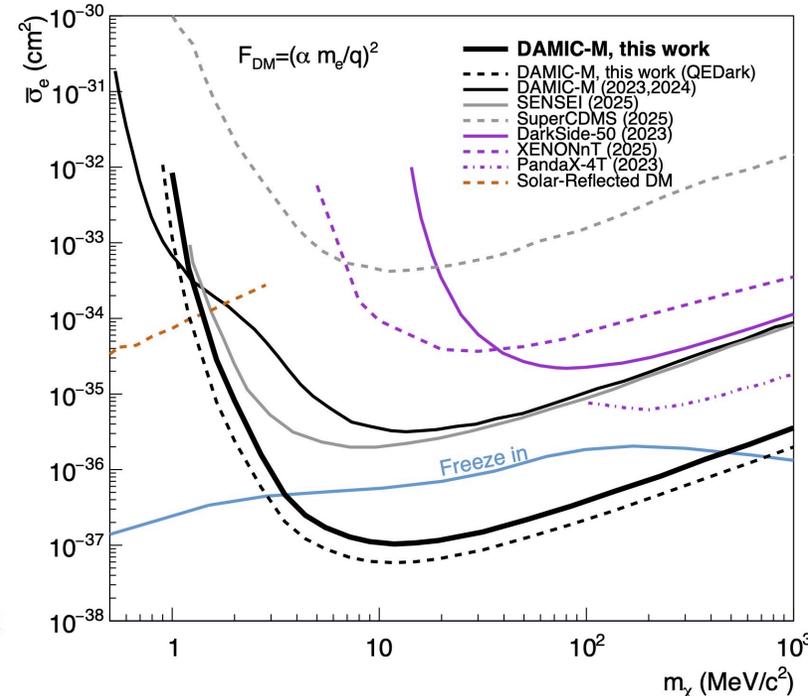
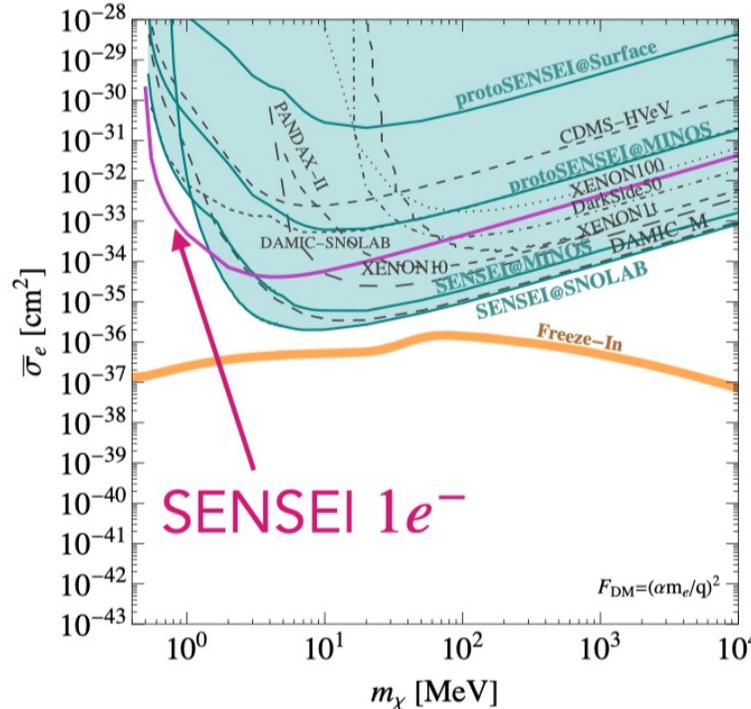


- **Skipper-CCDs, probing DM $\sim \text{MeV}/c^2$**
 - going down to $1e^-$ threshold
- **SENSEI @SNOLAB**
 - 19 Skipper-CCDs ($\sim 40\text{g}$)
 - $\sim 39.8 e^- / \text{g}/\text{day}$
- **DAMIC-M @Modane**
 - 26.4g, $2e^-$ to $4e^-$
 - exposure $\sim 1.3 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{day}$
 - will scale up to $\sim 700\text{g}$



[arXiv:2410.18716](https://arxiv.org/abs/2410.18716)

[arXiv:2503.14617](https://arxiv.org/abs/2503.14617)

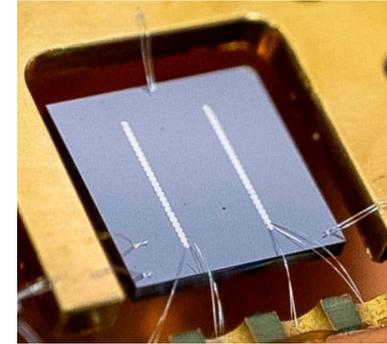


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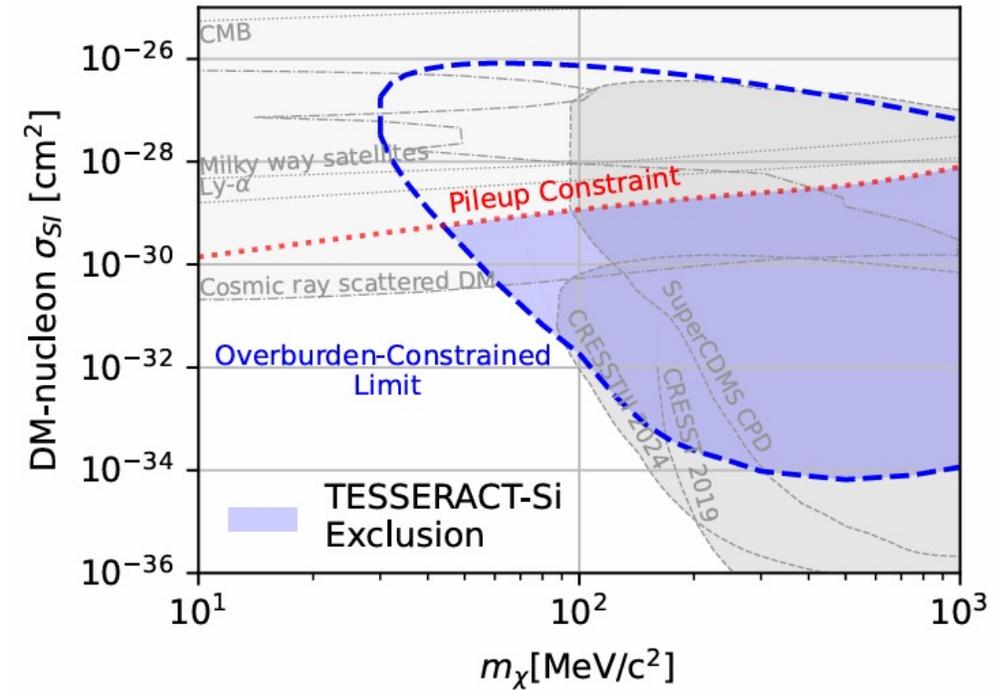
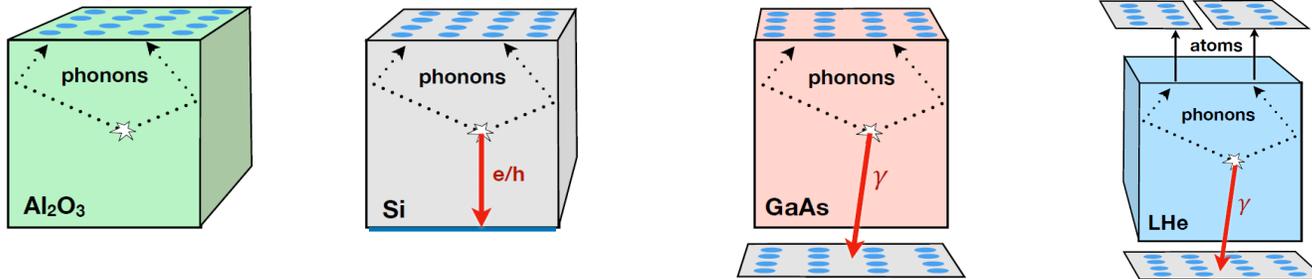


- **Funded by Dark Matter New Initiative (DMNI)**

- Apply diverse TES-based methods to the low-mass regime
- Push phonon sensors to **sub-eV** thresholds
- Deploy underground to look from keV-MeV scale dark matter particles



[arXiv:2503.03683](https://arxiv.org/abs/2503.03683)

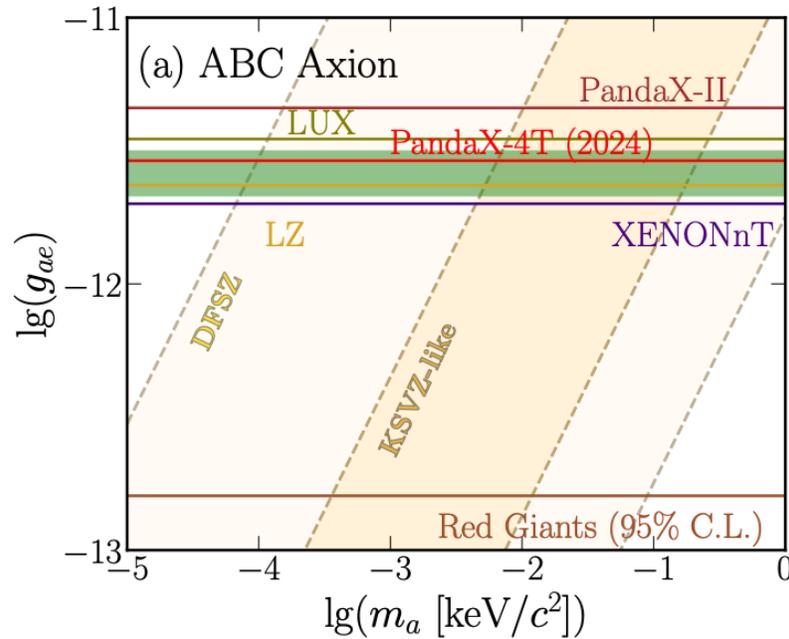


Lowest SI-NR DM search ever done! 44 MeV/c²

Towards Light Mass DM

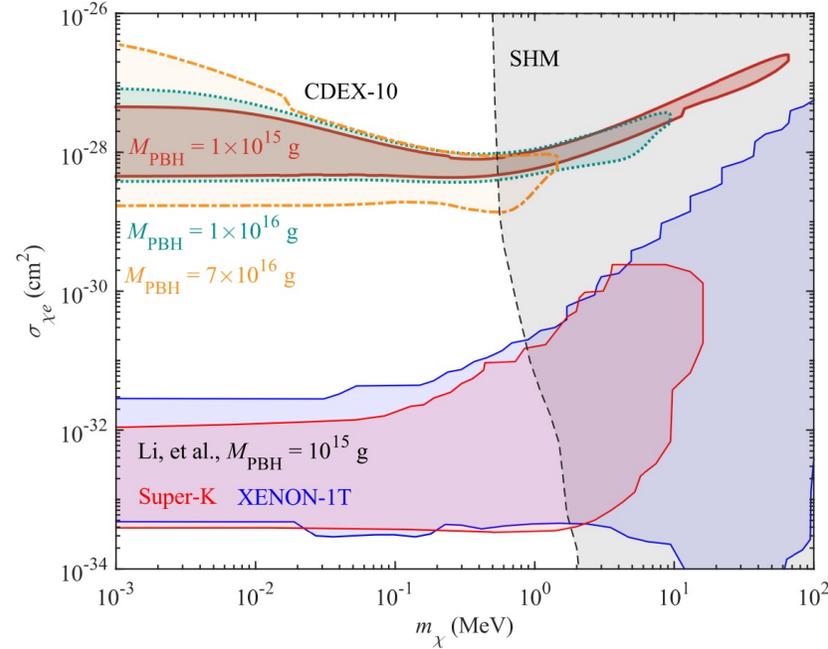


- The Universe is a big accelerator
- Accelerating light DM based on the same interaction



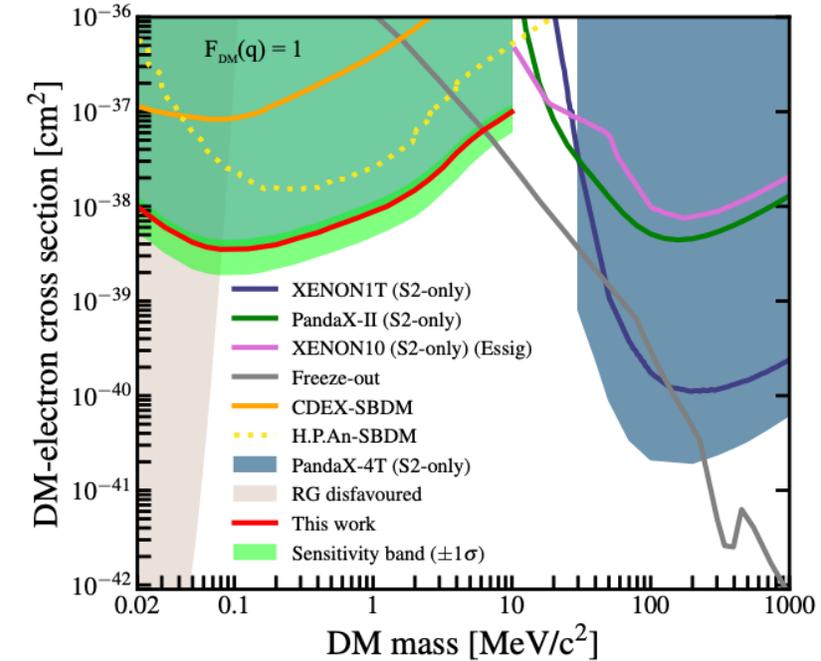
Solar Axion

[arXiv:2408.07641](https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.07641)



DM from PBH

[arXiv:2403.20263](https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.20263)



Solar boosted DM

[arXiv:2412.19970](https://arxiv.org/abs/2412.19970)

DM Interaction Mediator

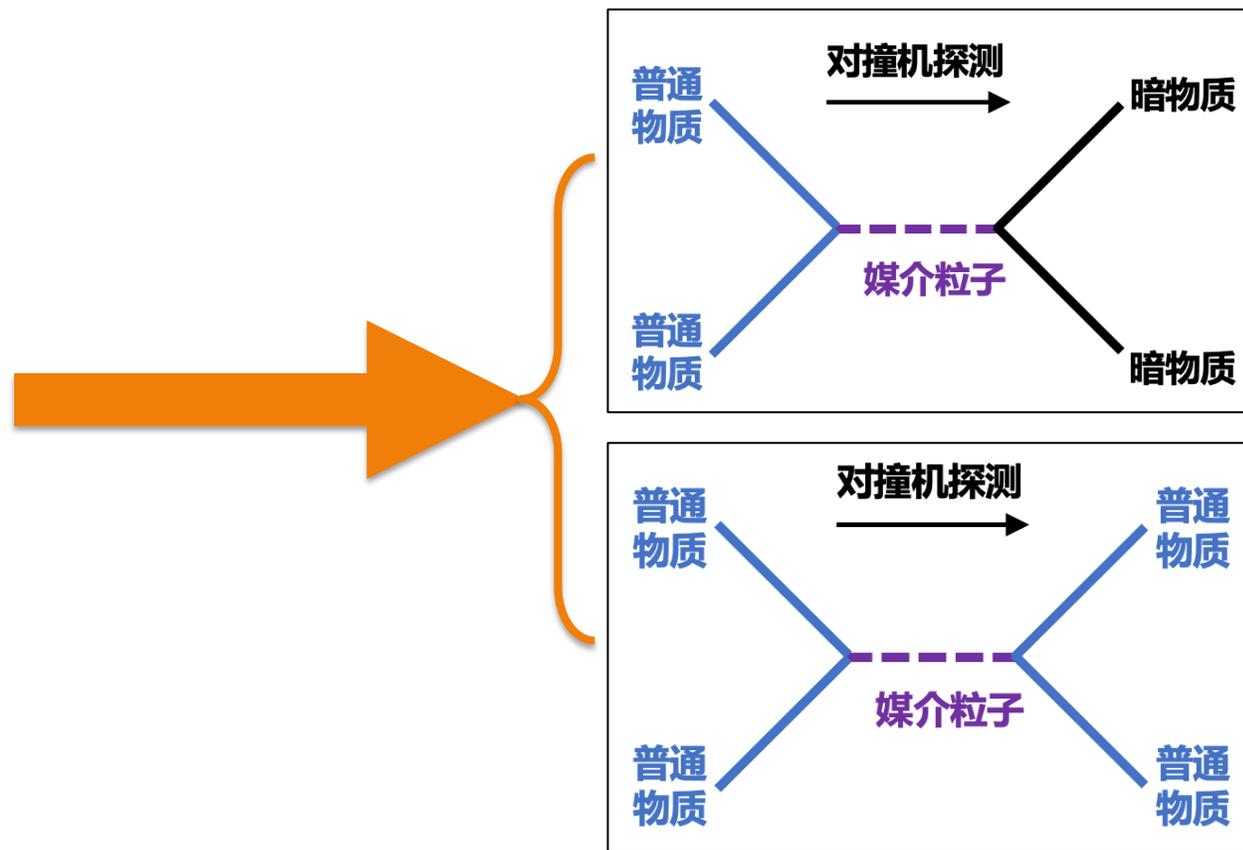
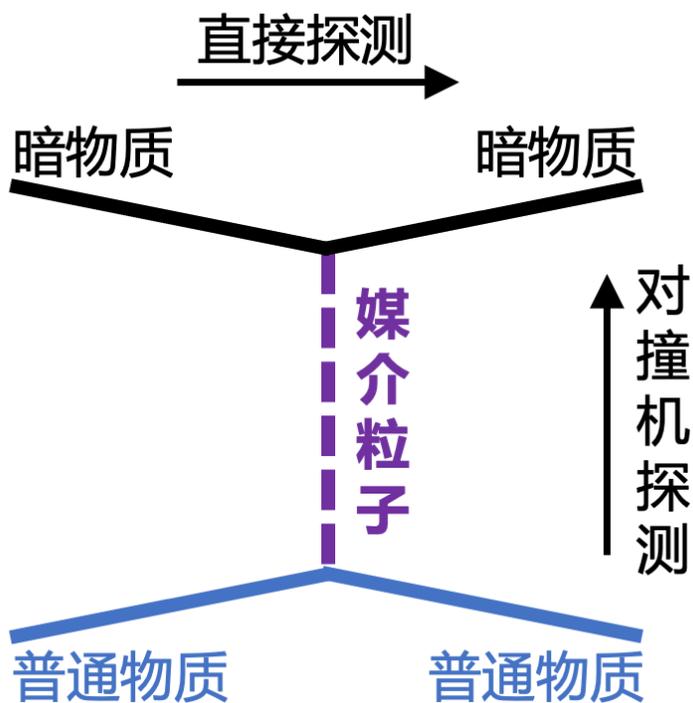


- Direct detection:**

Interaction energy too low to study the mediator

Collider search:

Study the same interaction, can produce the mediator



Large Hadron Collider



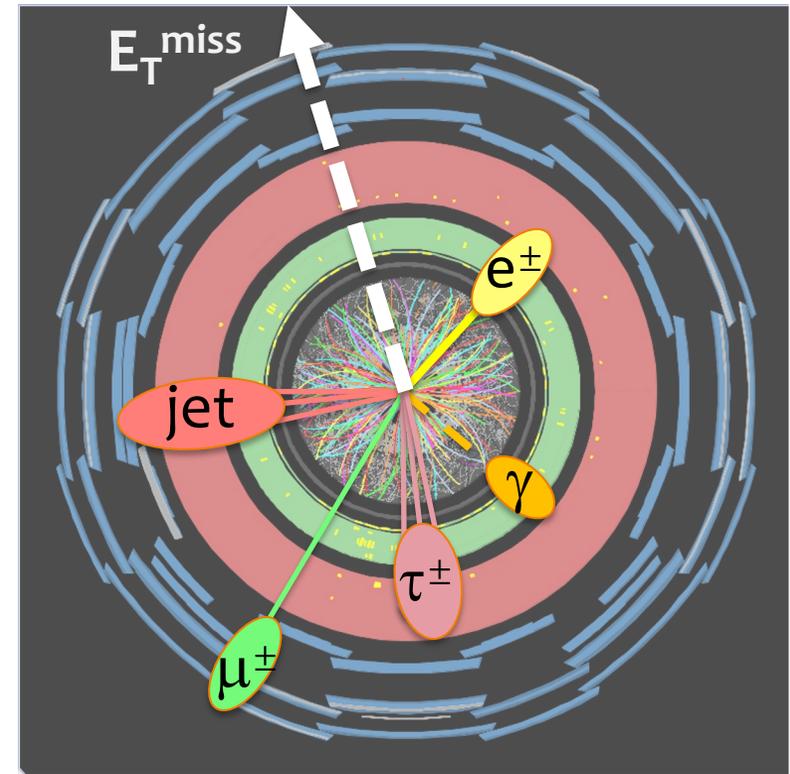
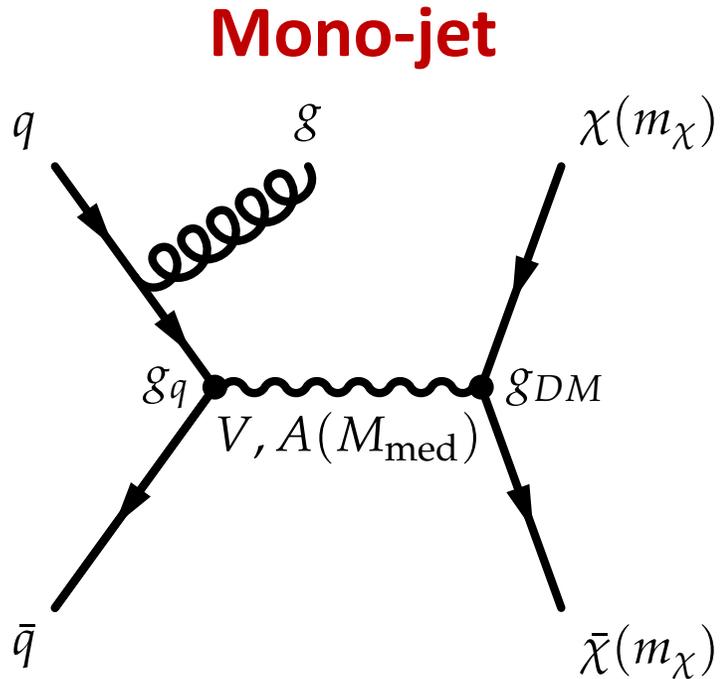
13-14 TeV pp collision



Mono-X Search



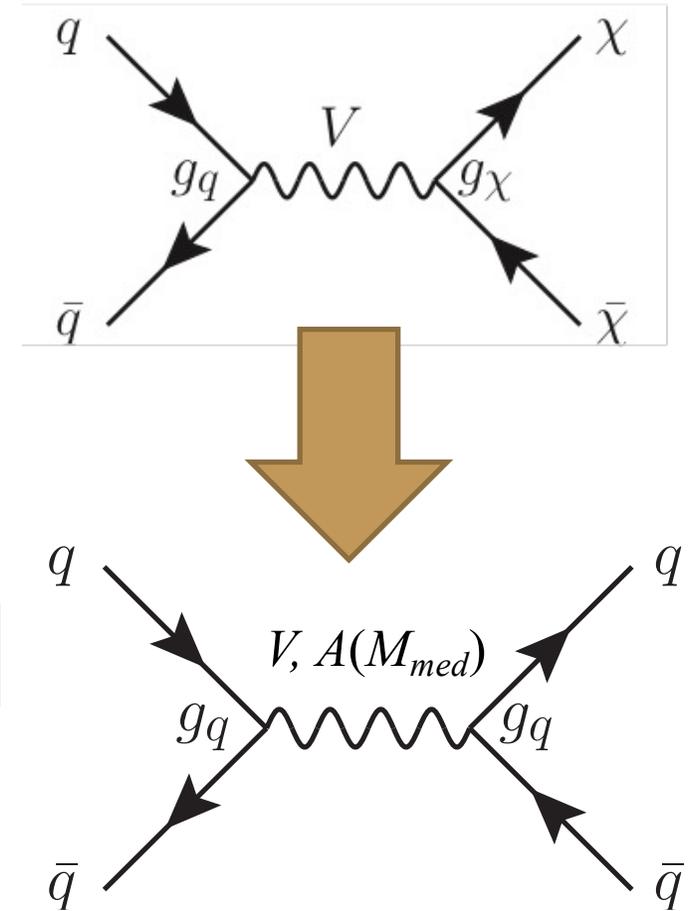
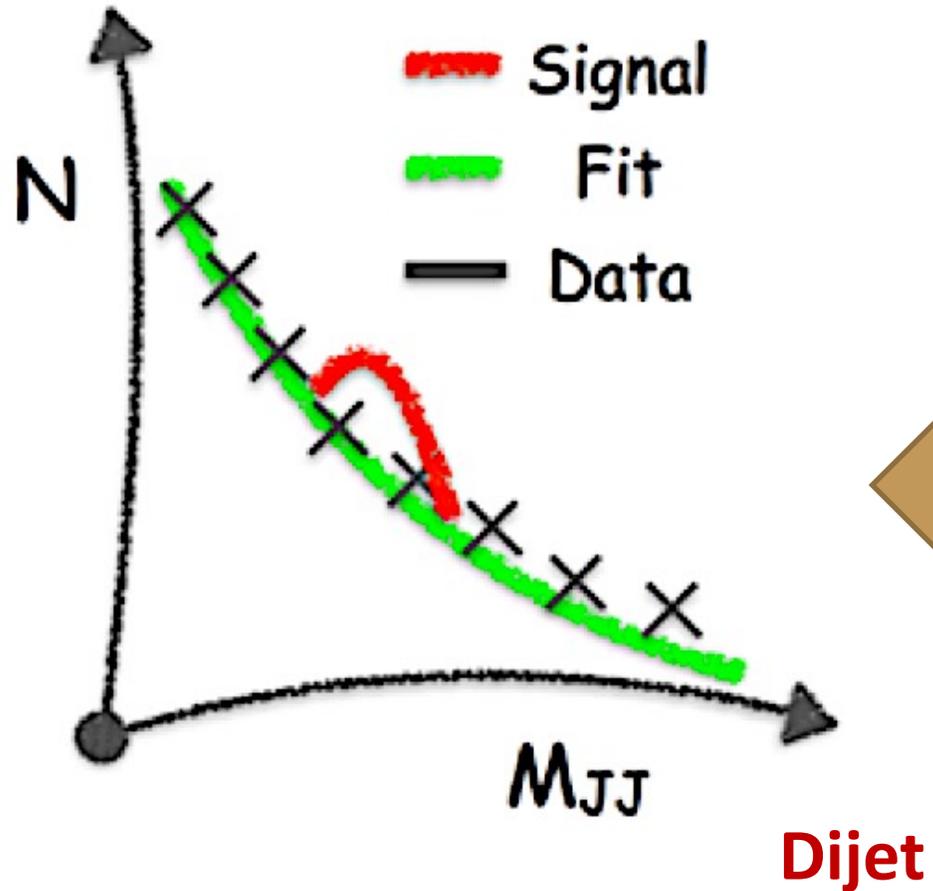
- **Dark matter production in association with X**
 - dark matter escape detection
 - **X**: visible particles
 - E_T^{miss} : momentum imbalance in transverse plane



Mediator Search



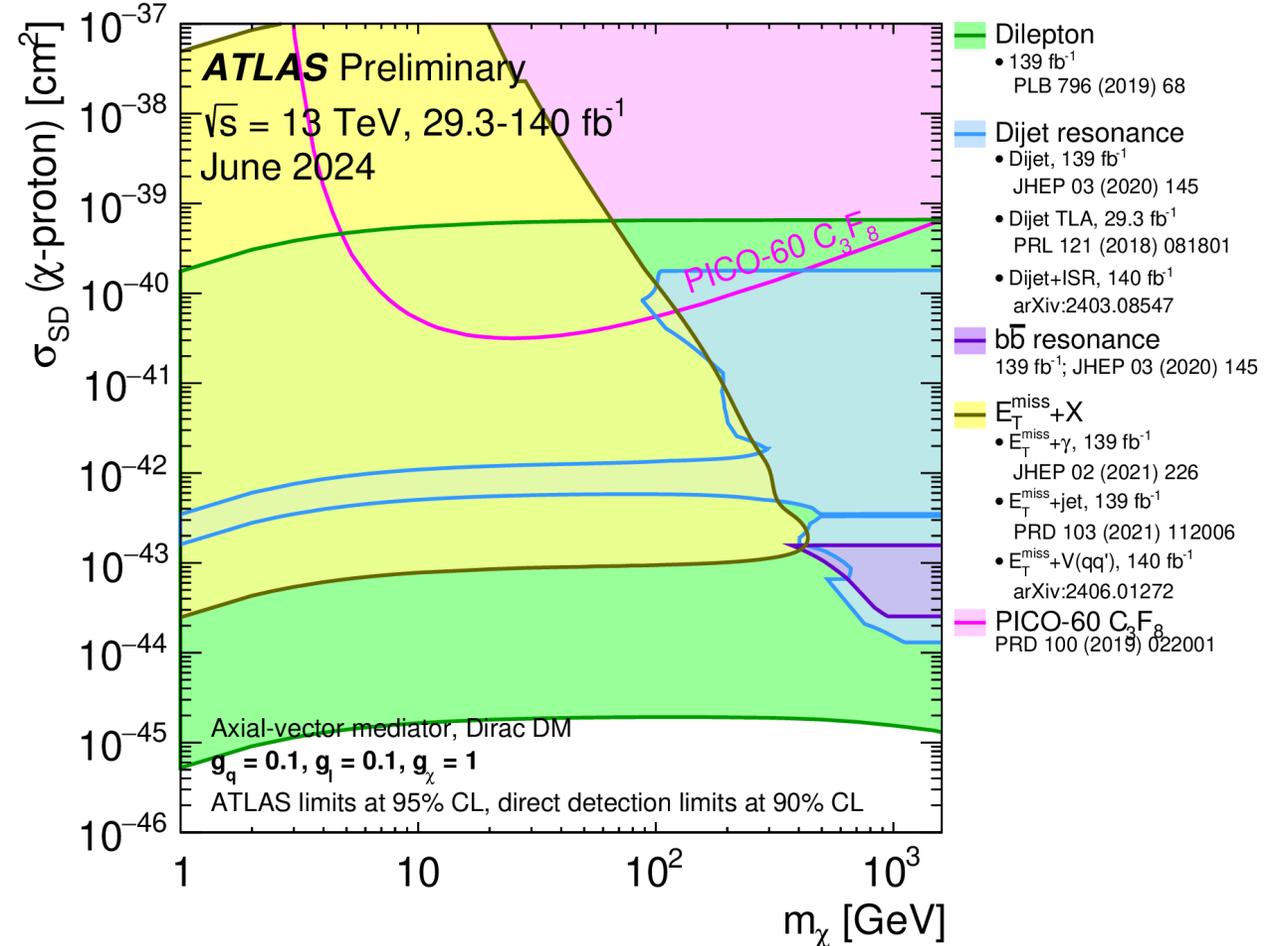
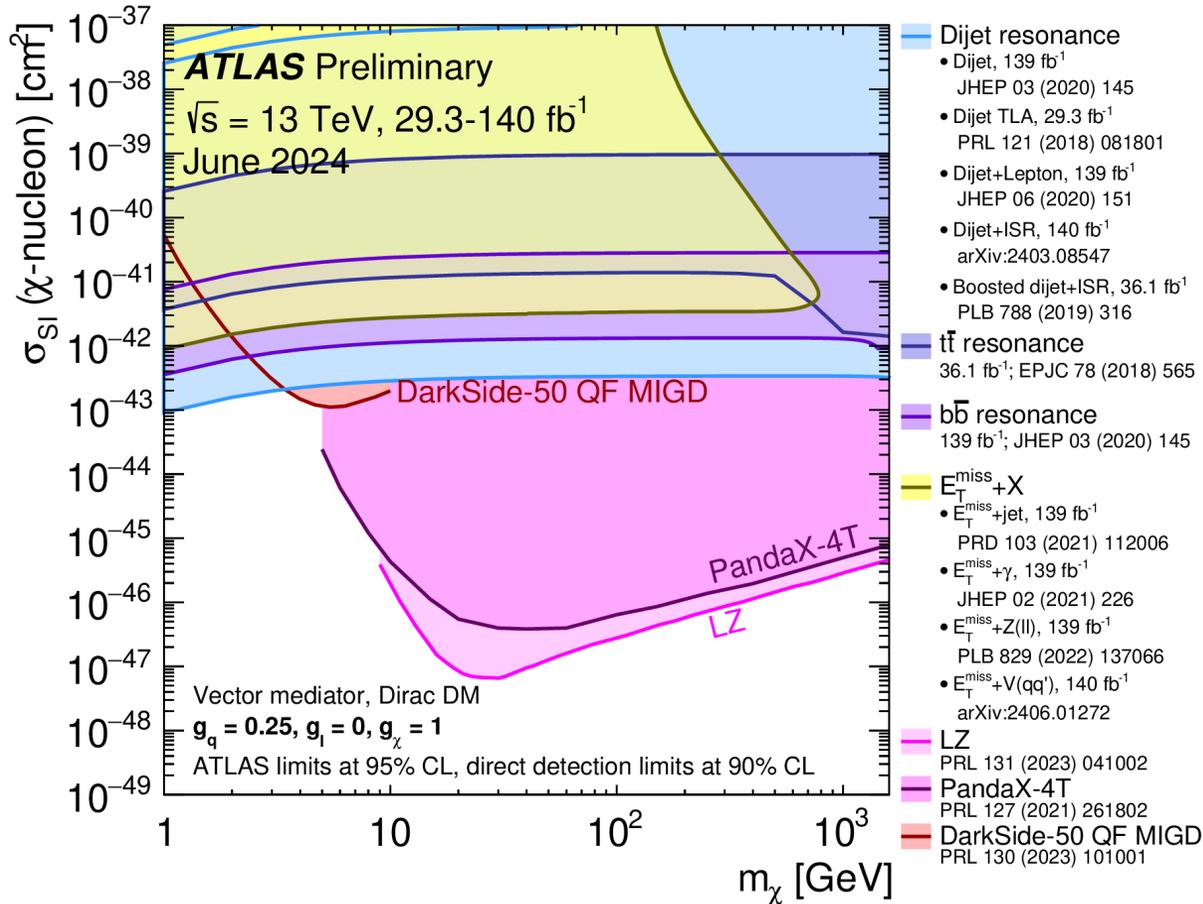
- Direct search of the produced mediator



Constraints on Simplified Model



- **Vector mediator: spin independent interaction**
- **Axial-vector mediator: spin dependent interaction**



Dark Sector



- Dark quark, dark fermion, dark photon, dark Higgs, etc.



Dark Quarks



- **Strongly coupled dark quarks**
 - Dark QCD mediated by dark gluon
 - **Dark quark shower and hadronization**
- **Stable dark hadrons**
 - DM candidate
- **Unstable dark hadrons decay into SM**
 - SM quark shower and hadronization

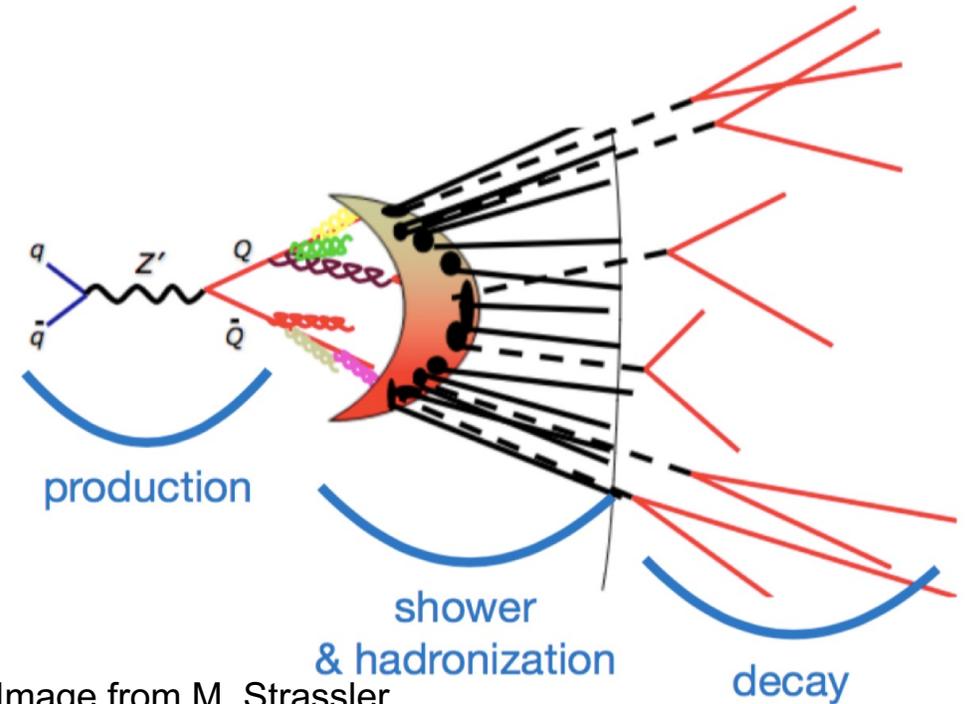
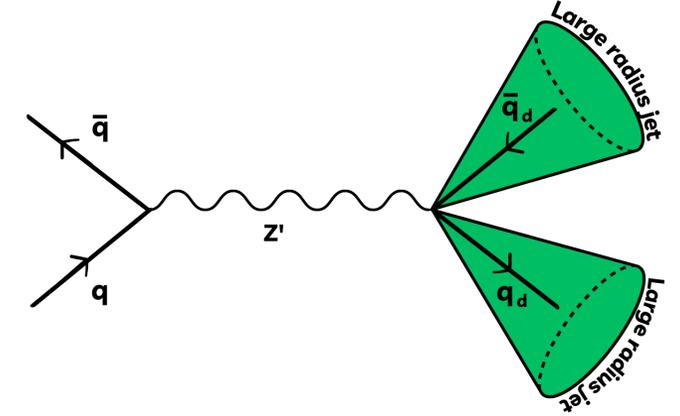


Image from M. Strassler

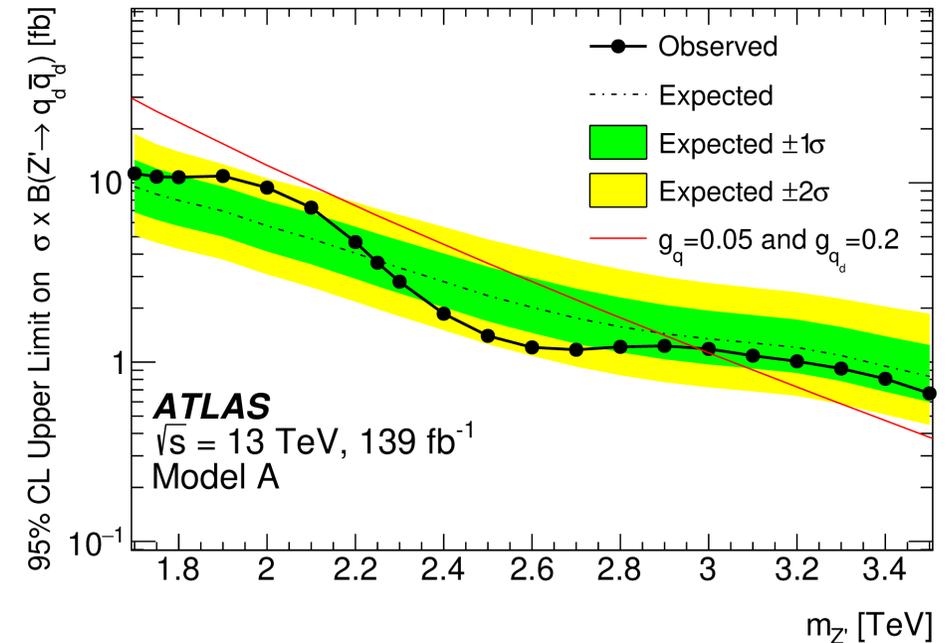
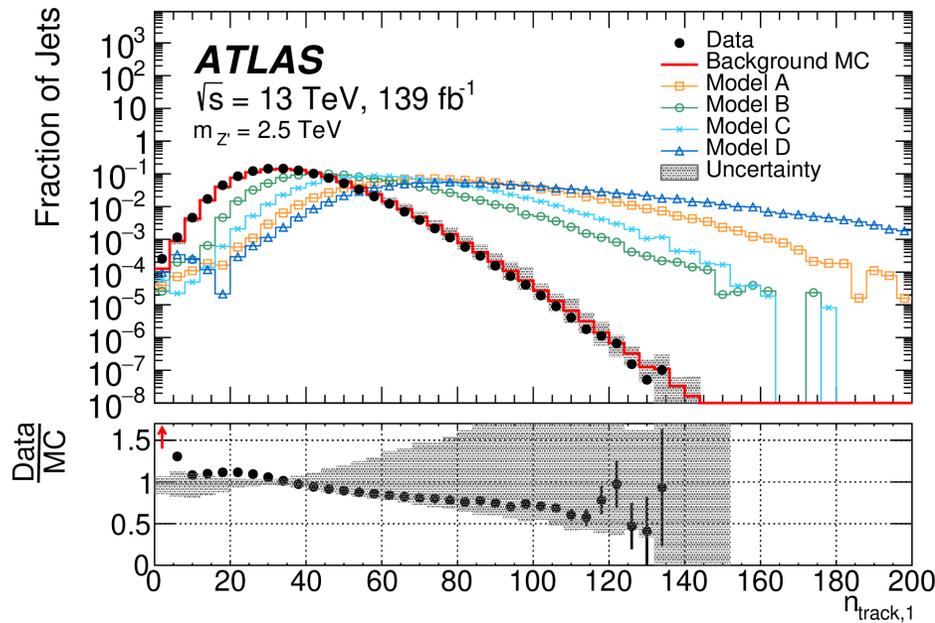
Resonance of Dark Quarks



- **Dark quark \rightarrow dark hadron**
 - dark pion decays to SM quarks or dark photons
- **Large-radius jets with high track multiplicity**



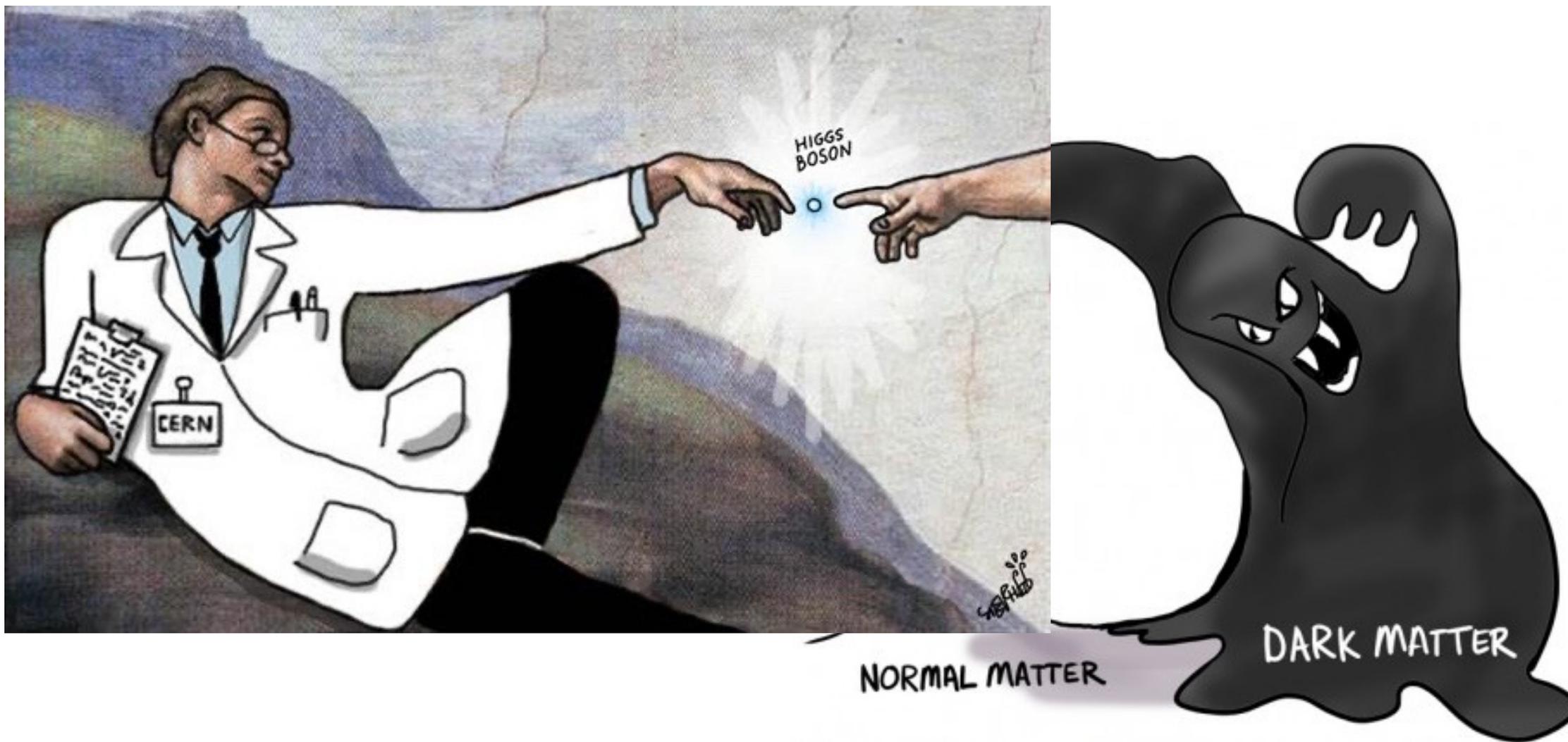
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Dark Matter and Higgs



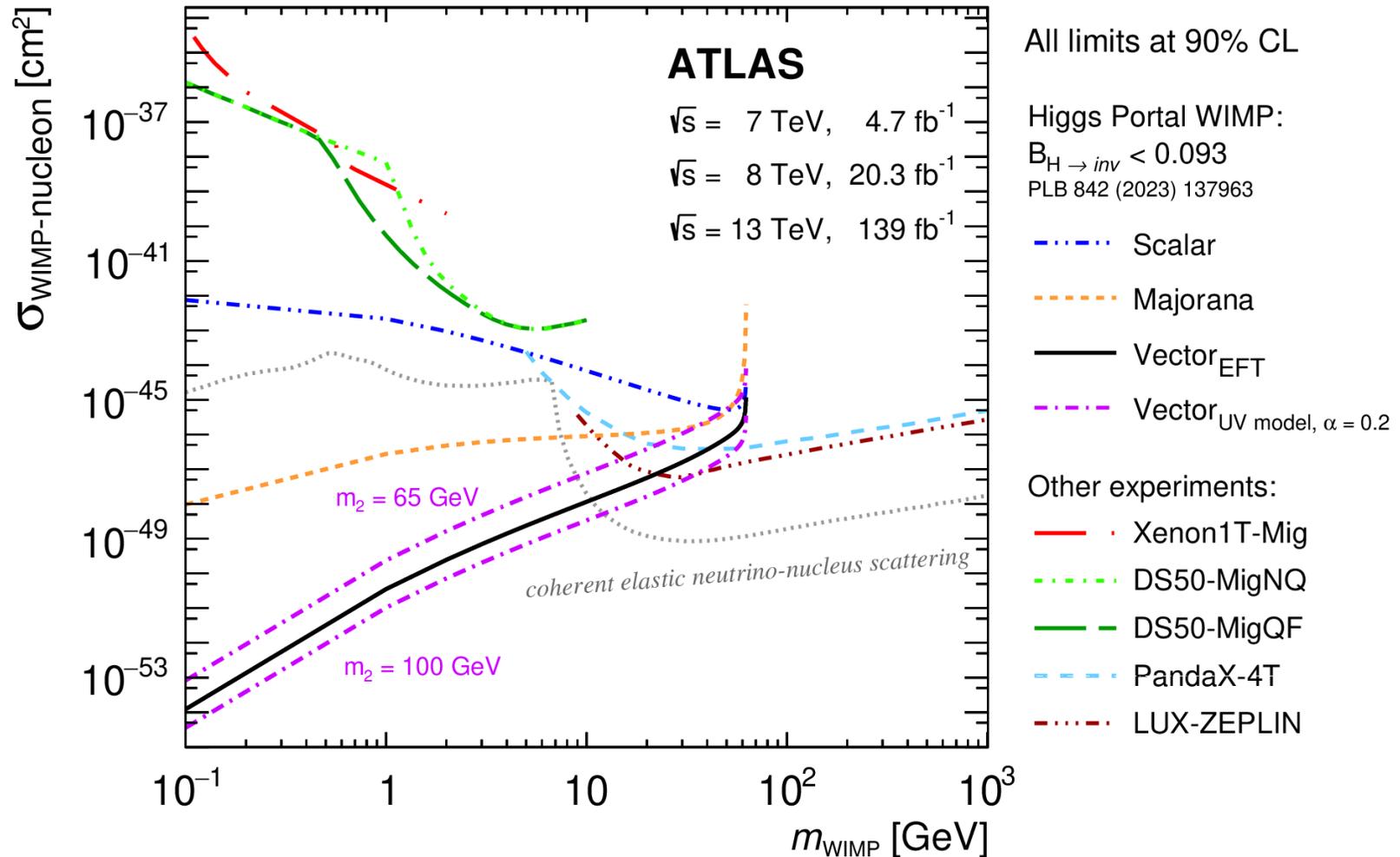
- Higgs may connect to the dark sector



Higgs-portal DM



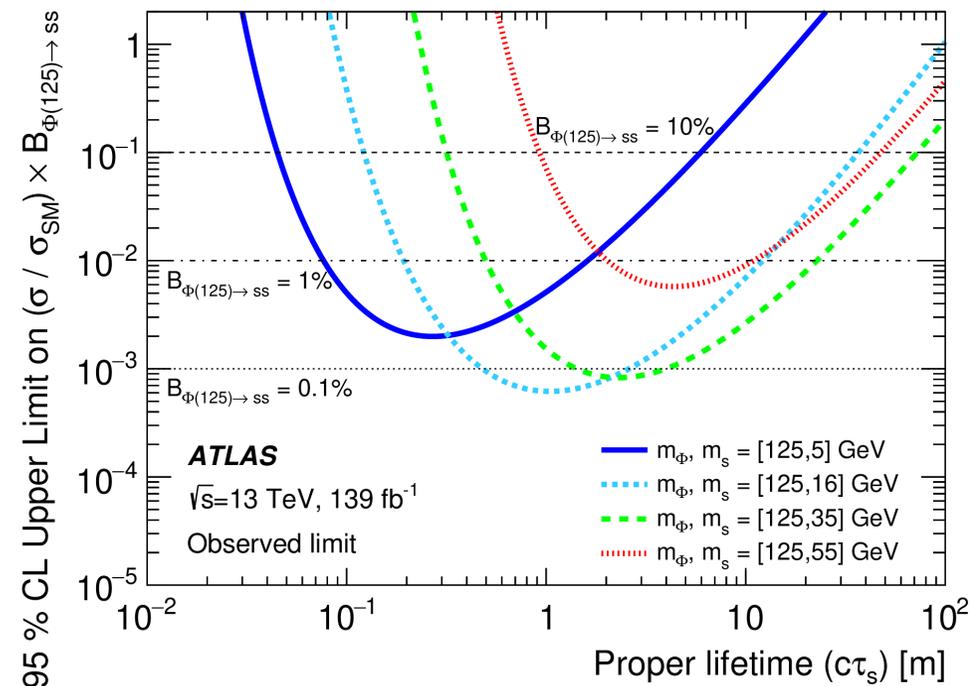
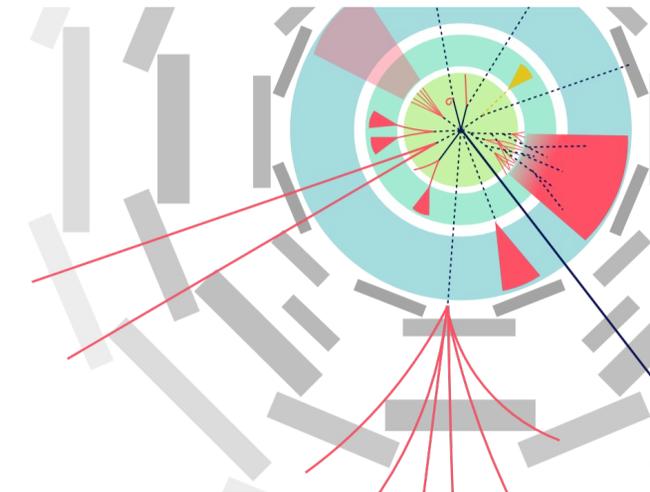
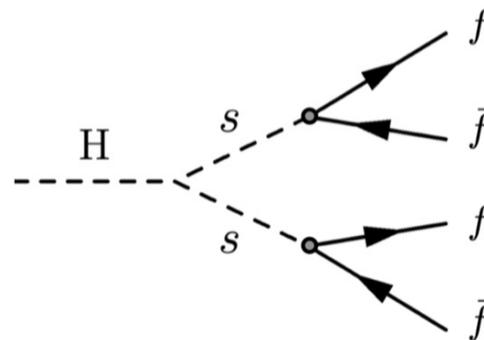
- **Scalar mediator: sensitive to $m_{\text{DM}} < \frac{1}{2} m_{\text{Higgs}}$**



Higgs Decays into Long-lived Particles



- **Higgs-portal hidden-sector mode**
 - Pair of **long-lived particles**
- **Technical challenges:**
 - Non-standard reconstruction
- **Advantages:**
 - Probe unexplored models at TeV scale
 - Almost no irreducible SM background

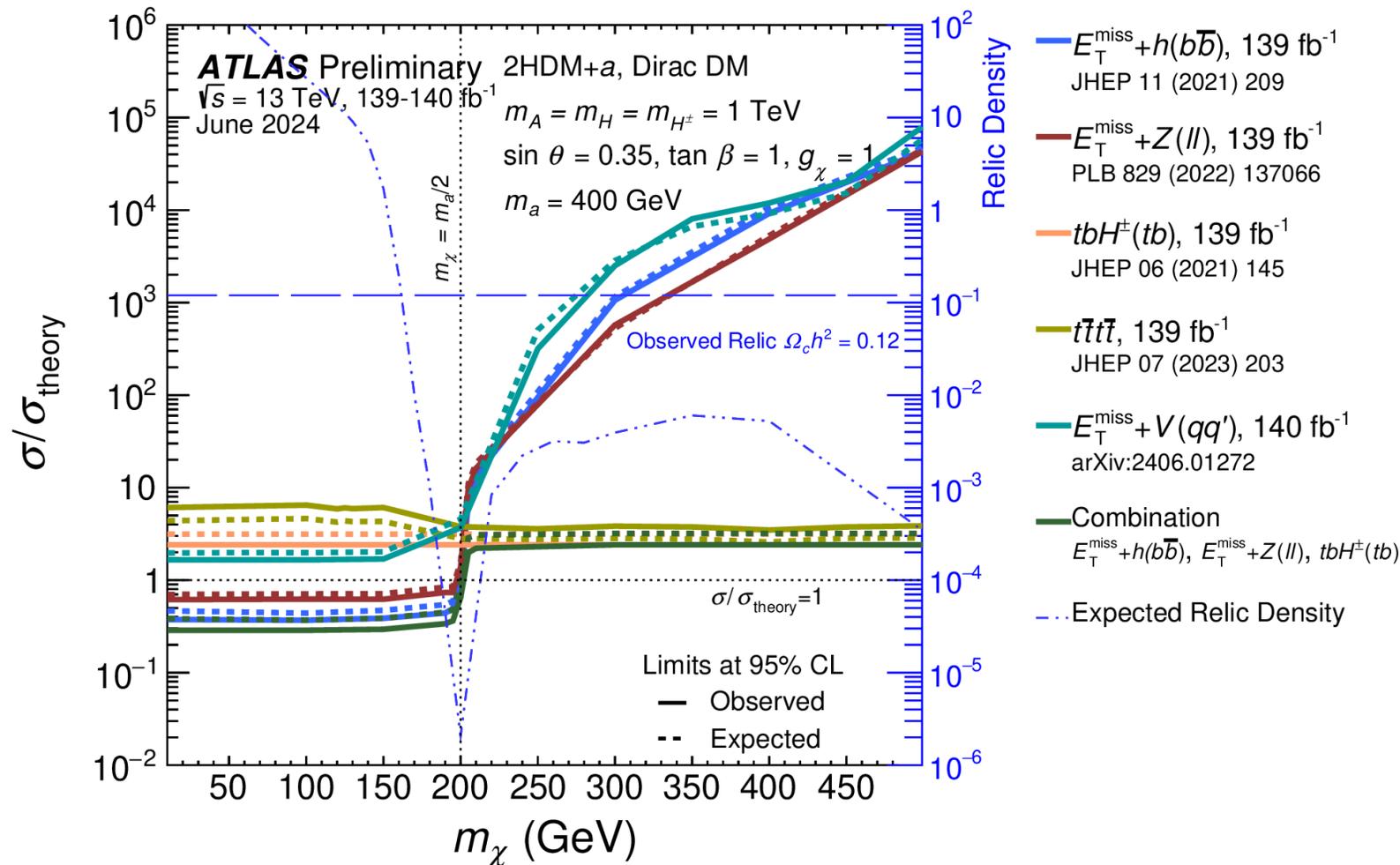


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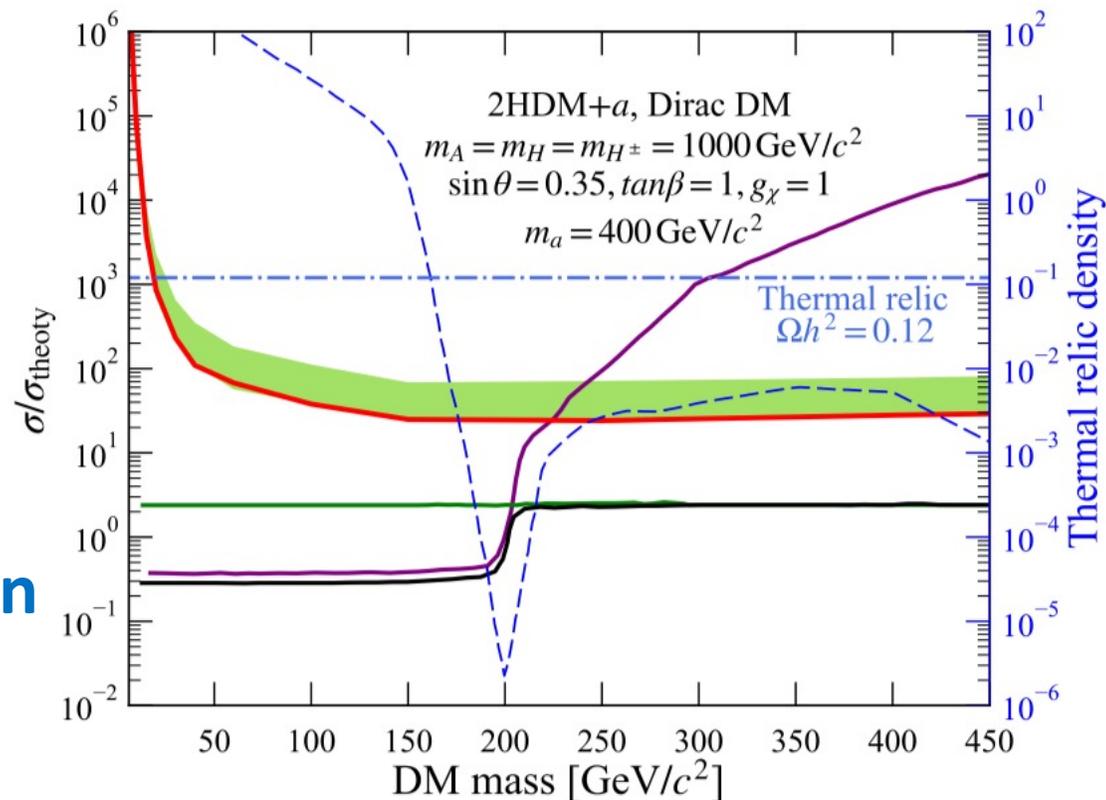
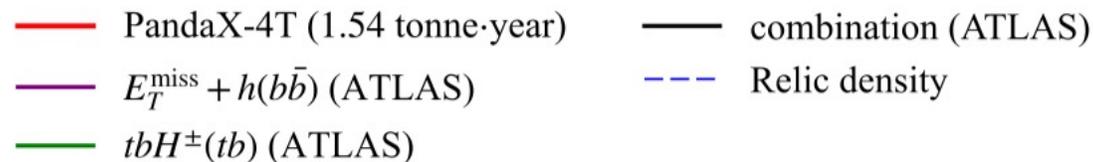
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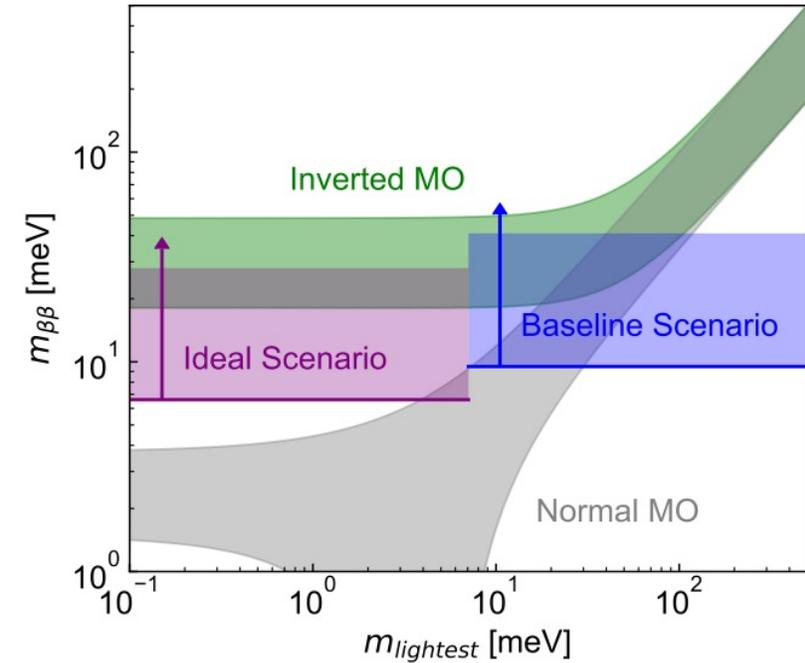
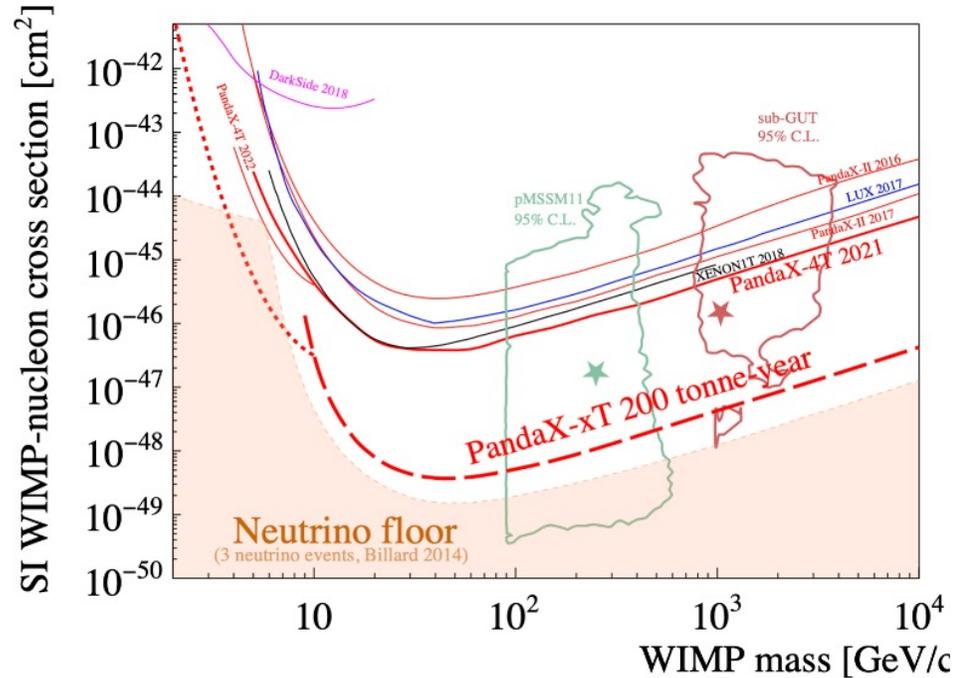
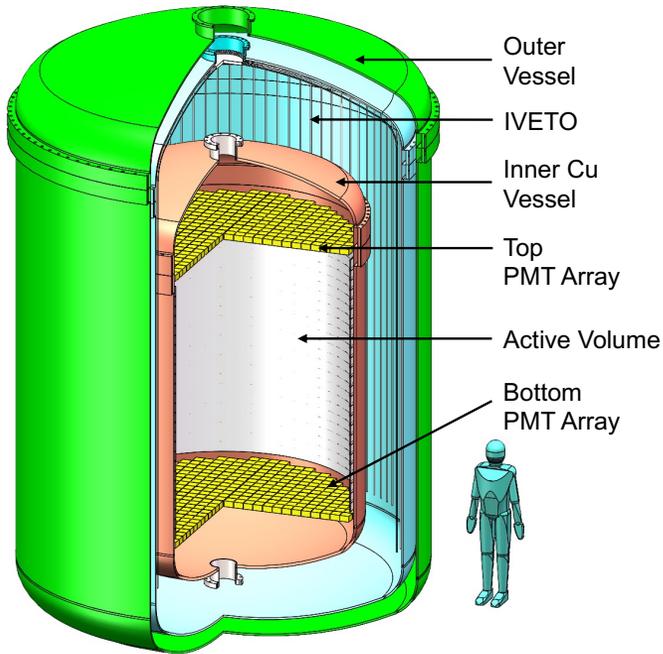
Complementary from direct detection

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Future Experiment: PandaX-xT



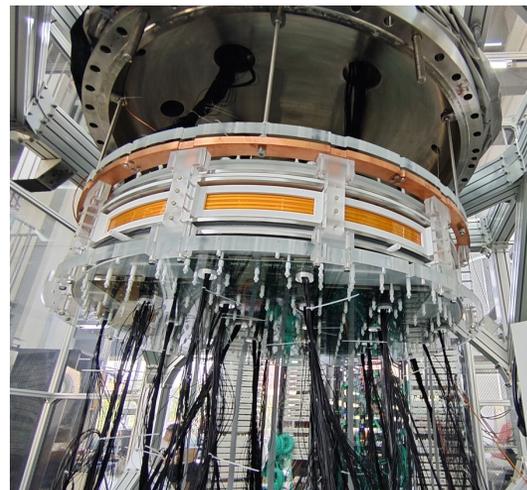
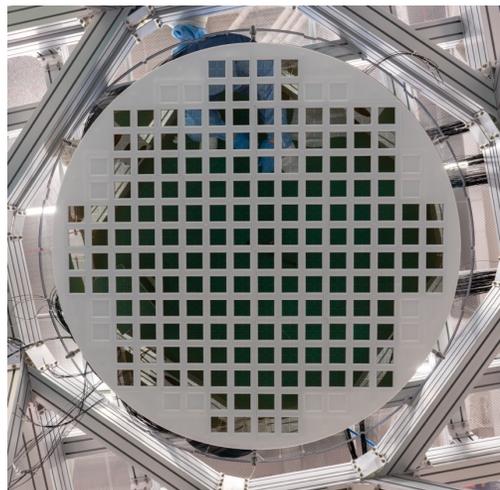
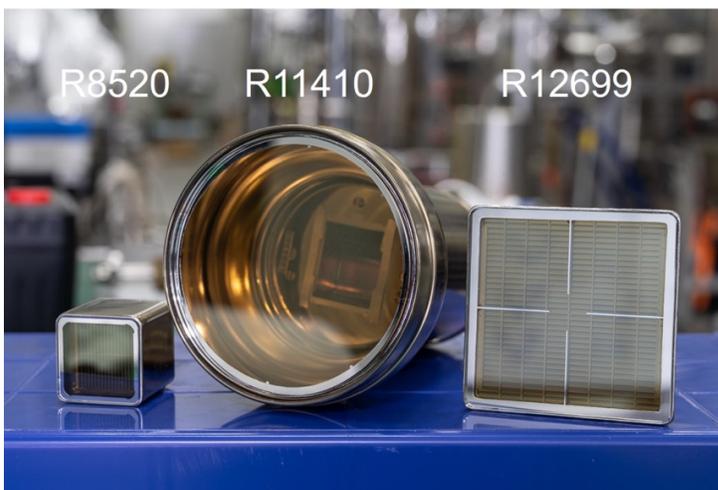
- With ~ 47 tonne liquid xenon target
- Key tests on WIMP and Dirac/Majorana neutrino



PandaX-20T: Intermediate Stage



- **Multi-physics targets**
 - Energy range 100eV – 10MeV
- **Estimated timeline**
 - 2026: move to CJPL to start assembling
 - 2027: commissioning



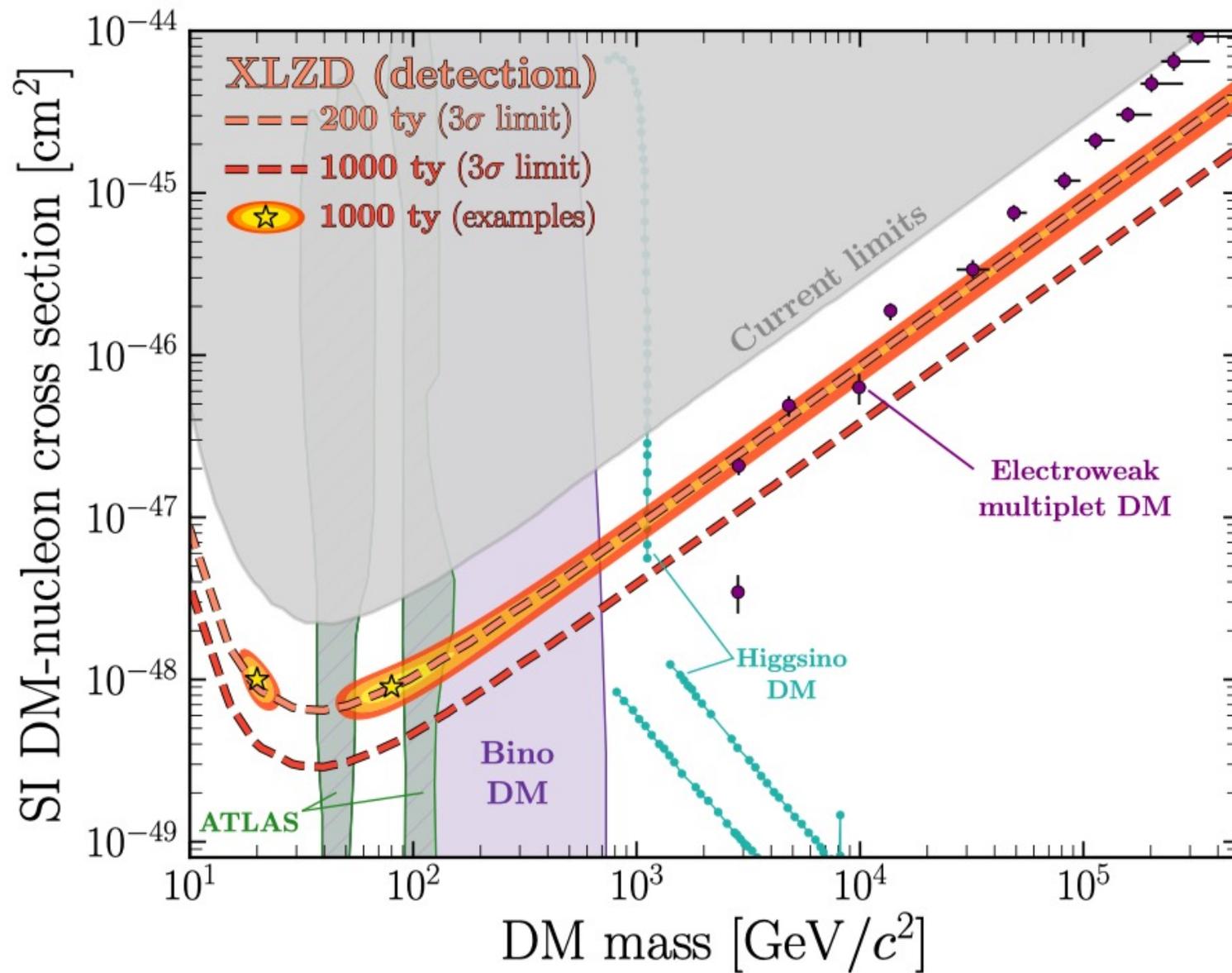
PandaX-xT Layout @CJPL-II B2 Hall



- 暗物质探测是新物理探索的重要组成，在实验室探测到暗物质并研究其物理属性，将带来物理学和天文学的重大变革
- 暗物质探测近年来迅速发展，面临重要发现机遇
- 中国过去10年培养出相当规模的队伍，主导的多个暗物质实验取得国际先进成果
- 面向未来，一方面深度发展旗舰型实验并开发新潜力，另一方面积极拓展新型探测方式，覆盖更大参数空间

谢谢！

WIMP Candidates



Low Energy Excess



- **LEE observed in solid state phonon and charge detectors**
 - Rise starting below $\mathcal{O}(100\text{eV})$, inconsistent with DM signal

arXiv:2503.08859

