

CYGNUS 2019 - WORKSHOP ON DIRECTIONAL DARK MATTER DETECTION
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STRATEGY FOR DIRECT DM SEARCH

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WHAT IS DARK MATTER?

The Minimal WIMP Model Basic Assumptions:

- ❖ Single *particle* that does not interact with itself
- ❖ Interacts weakly with Standard Model
- ❖ $2 \rightarrow 2$ annihilations primarily in s-wave
- ❖ Annihilations set thermal abundance today

THE WIMP MIRACLE

WIMP number density in the early universe:

$$\frac{dn_\chi}{dt} + 3Hn_\chi = -\langle\sigma v\rangle(n_\chi^2 - n_{\chi eq}^2)$$

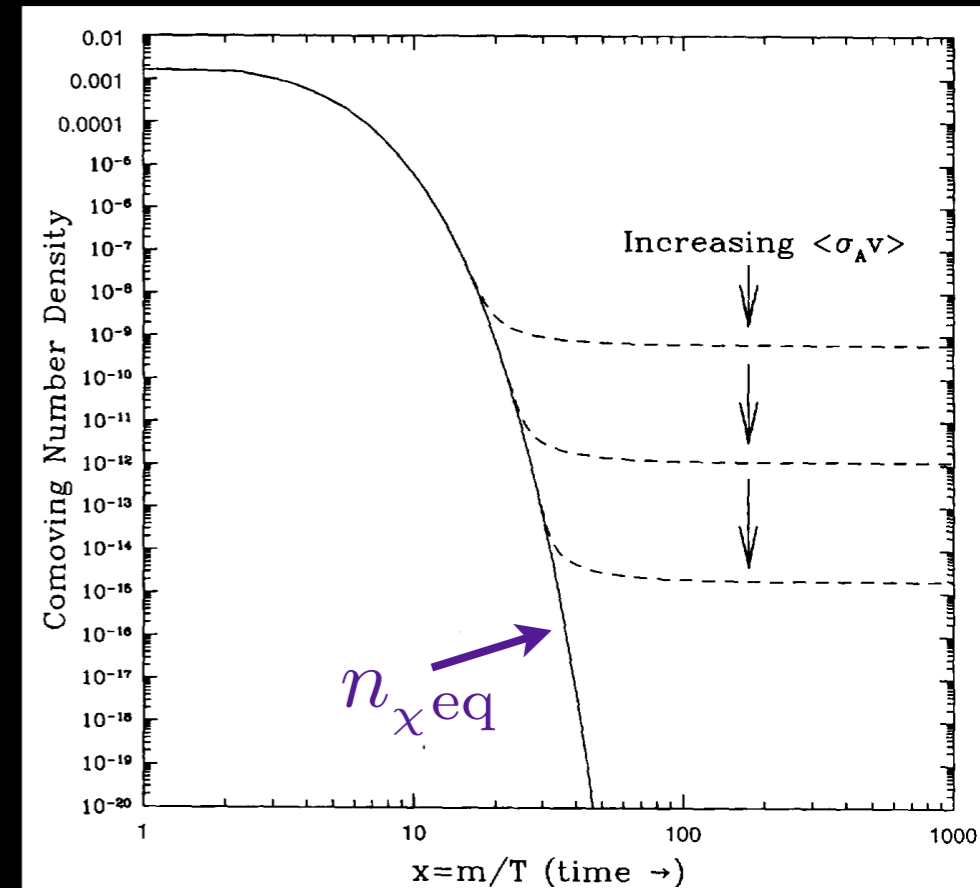
$\langle\sigma v\rangle : \chi\chi \rightarrow \text{SM SM}$ (thermal average)

“Freeze-out” when annihilation rate falls behind expansion rate ($\rightarrow a^3n_\chi \sim \text{const.}$)

Relic density (today) for weak scale interaction

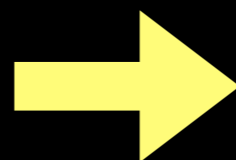
$$\Omega_\chi h^2 \simeq \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}}{\langle\sigma v\rangle}$$

$$\simeq 0.1 \cdot \left(\frac{0.01}{\alpha}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_\chi}{100 \text{ GeV}}\right)^2$$



Planck 2018 results
 $\Omega_\chi h^2 = 0.120 \pm 0.001$

“weak” coupling
 “weak” mass scale



correct abundance

PARTICLE DM: PARADIGM SHIFT DRIVING SOCIAL CHANGE

Murayama @ ESPP, Granada, 2019

We used to think

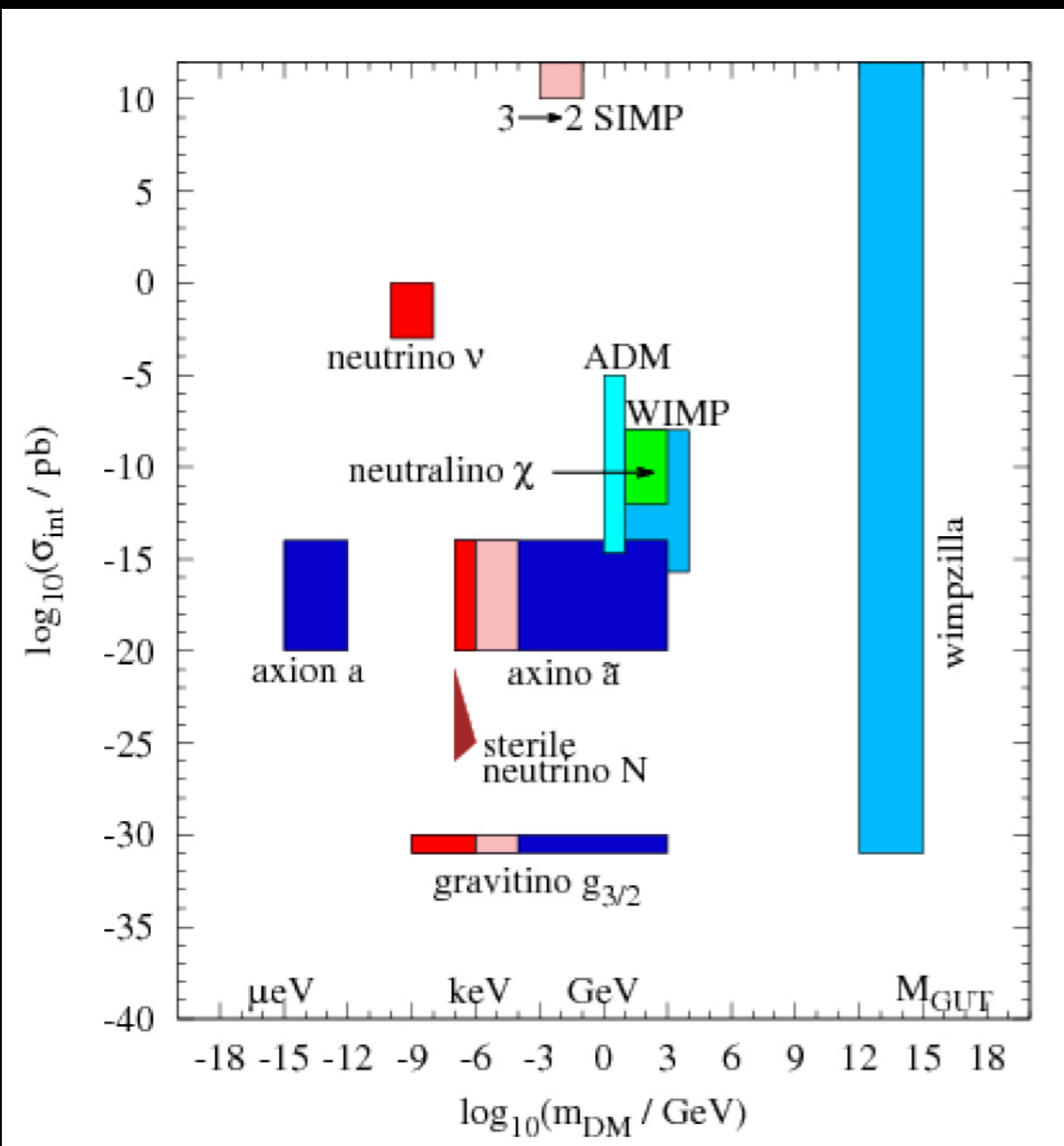
- ❖ need to solve problems with the SM of Particle Physics (hierarchy problem, strong CP, etc)
- ❖ great if new theory (supersymmetry, extra dim) also gives a DM candidate as a byproduct



Now we think

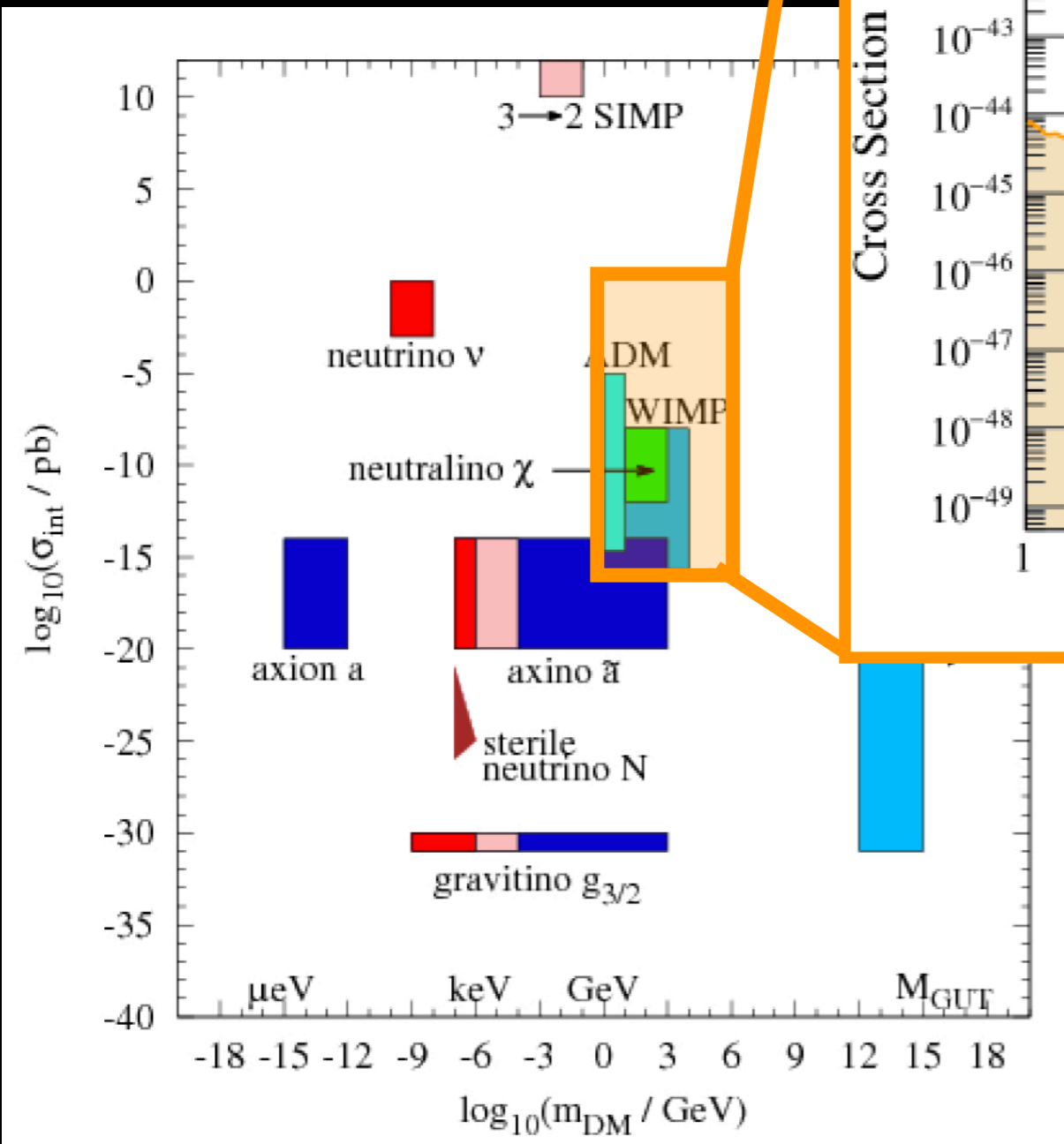
- ❖ need to explain DM on its own
- ❖ great if the DM solution also helps to elucidate important issues with the SM
- ❖ WIMP should be explored at least down to the **neutrino floor**
 - ❖ **heavier?** e.g., wino @ 3TeV
 - ❖ or rather **lighter and weaker coupling?** e.g., ALPs

DARK MATTER CANDIDATES

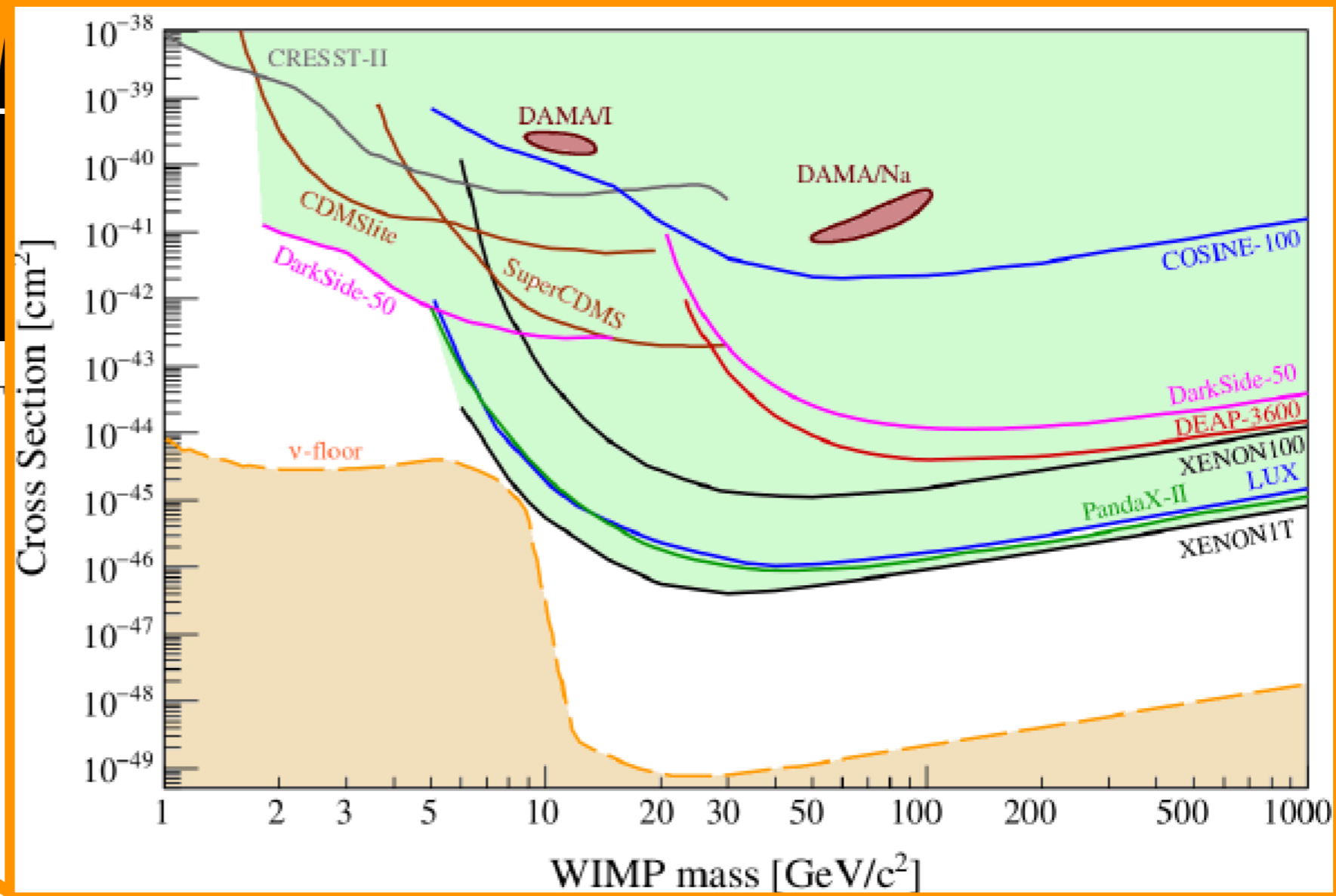


- ❖ Thermal relics:
 - ❖ **WIMP**: generic weakly interacting massive particle
 - ❖ **ADM**: asymmetric dark matter
 - ❖ **SIMP**: strongly interacting massive particle
 - ❖ ...
- ❖ Non-thermal relics
 - ❖ **Axion**: very light mass (10^{-5} eV), CDM because produced at rest in the early Universe. Its interaction strength is strongly suppressed relative to the weak strength by a factor $(m_W/f_a)^2$, where $f_a \sim 10^{11}$ GeV is the PQ breaking scale
 - ❖ ... and many more

DARK MATTER



Baer et al., arXiv:1407.0017

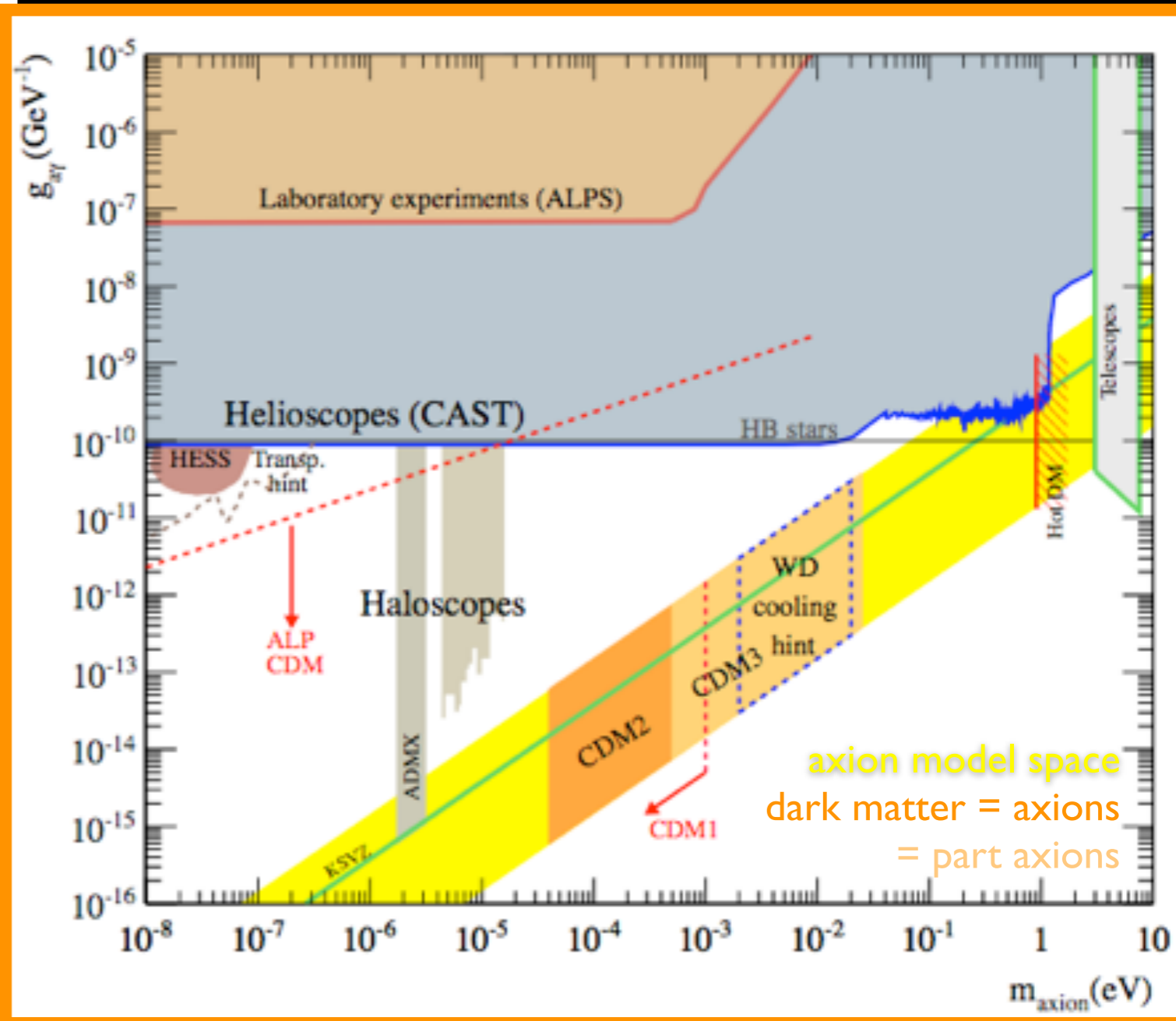
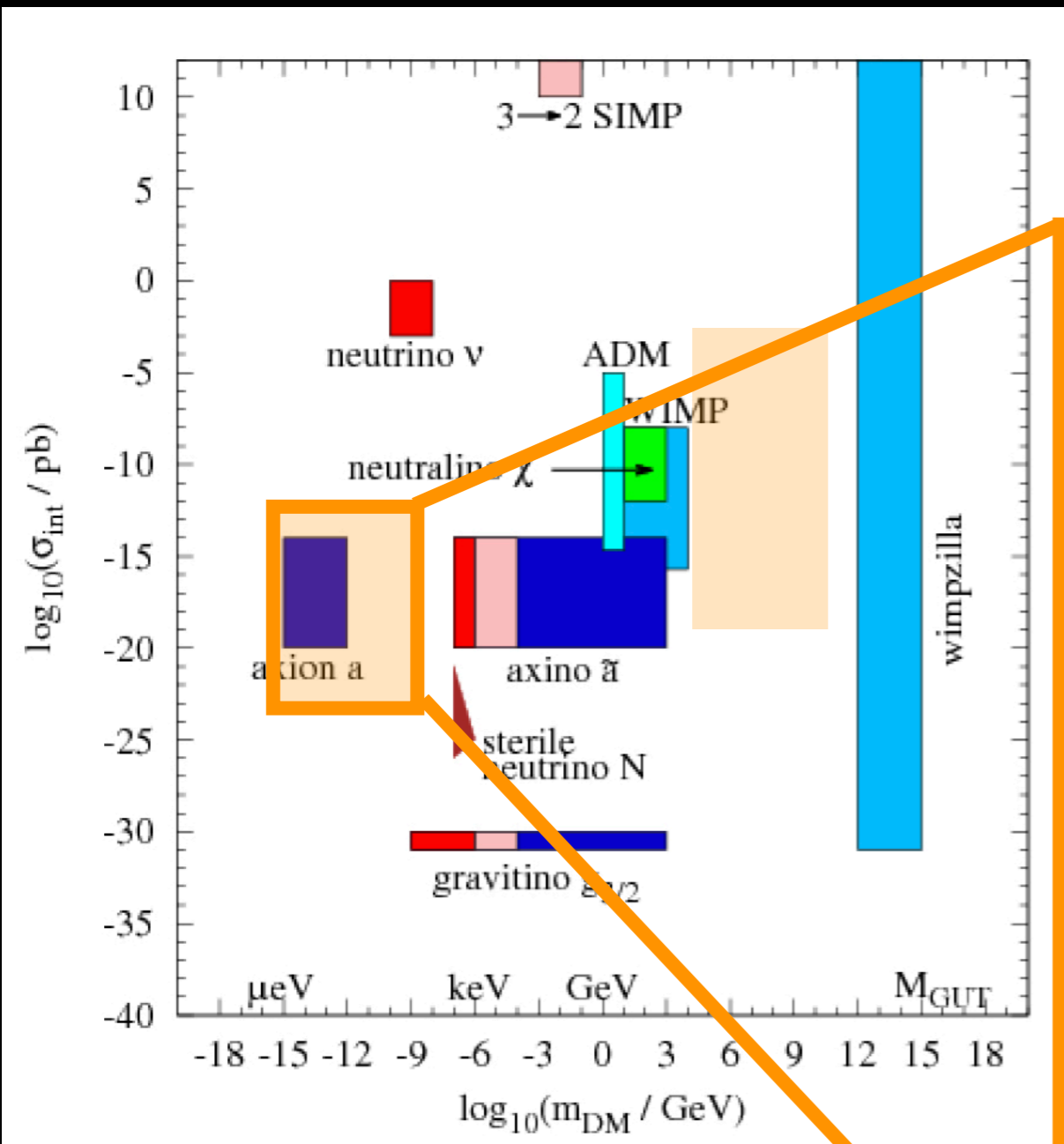


Schumann, arXiv:1903.03026

Direct searches generally optimised for WIMP sensitivity...

DARK MATTER CANDIDATES

... starting to look for axions/ALPs too!



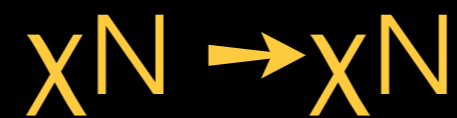
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WIMP DIRECT DETECTION

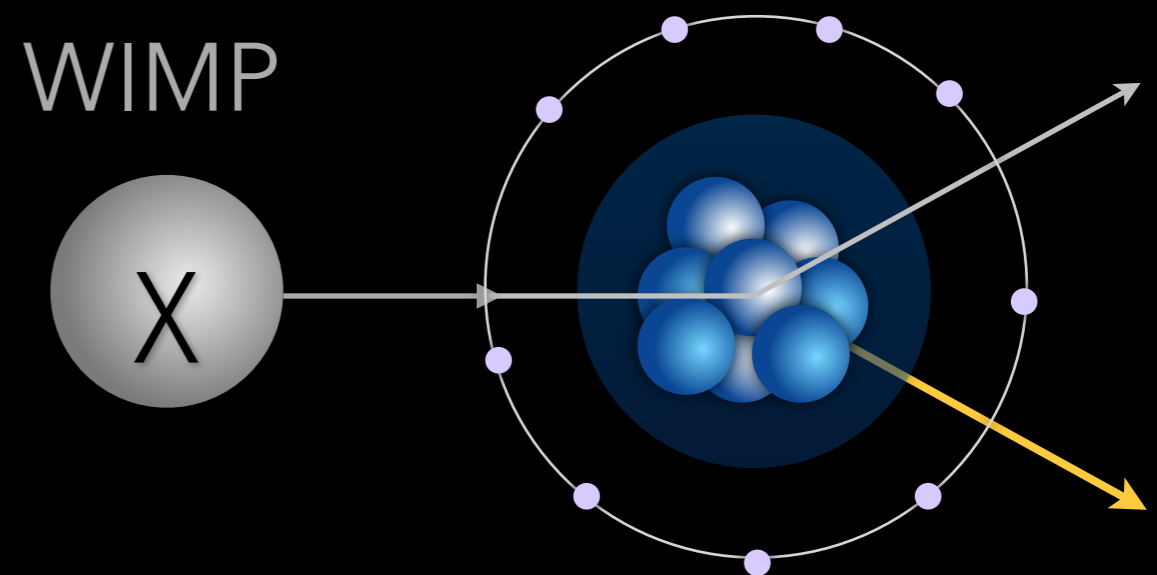
- Goodman & Witten (1985):
"Detectability of certain dark matter candidates"

coherent scattering off nuclei

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = N_T \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \times \int d\mathbf{v} f(\mathbf{v}) \mathbf{v} \frac{d\sigma_\chi}{dE_R}$$



elastic scattering off nuclei



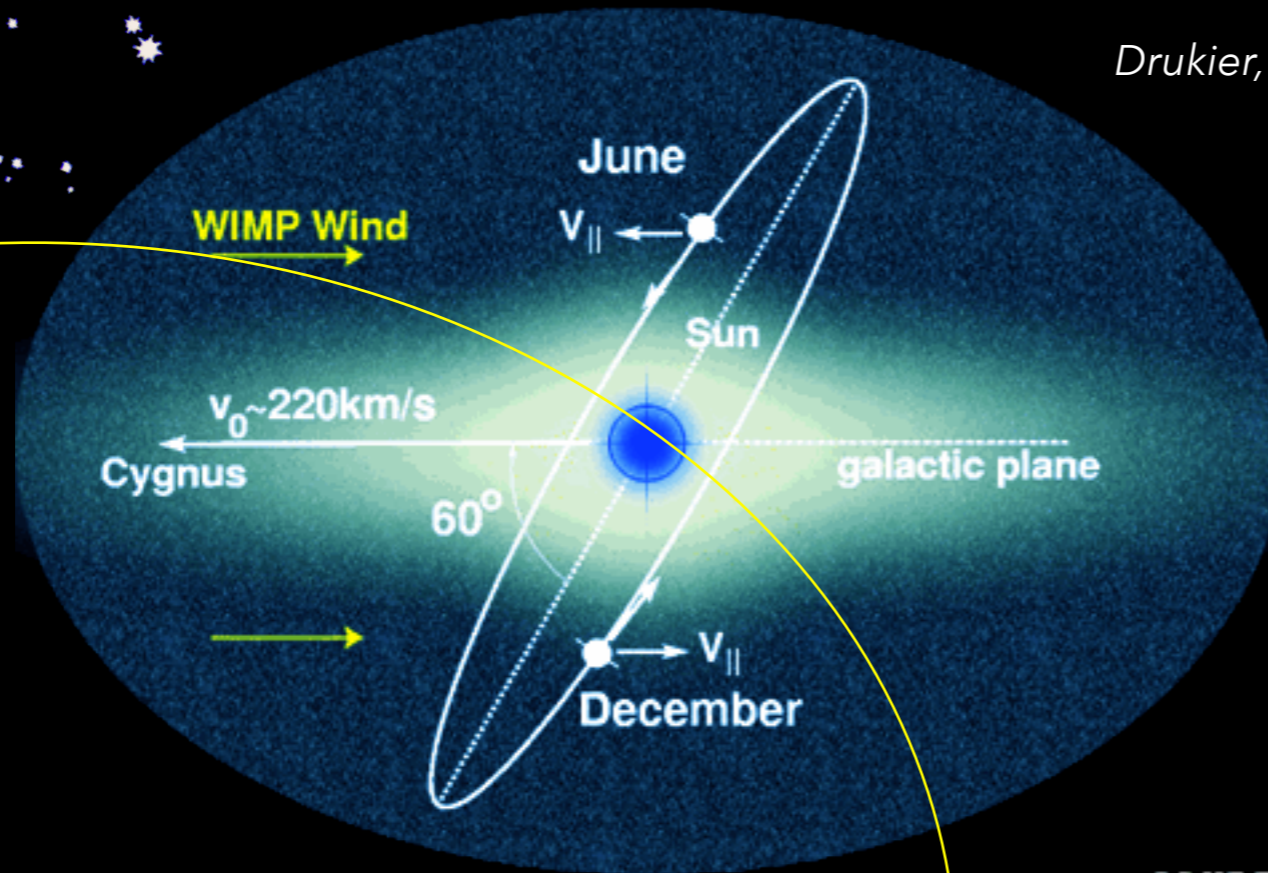
- ▶ Large detector mass, long exposure
- ▶ Low energy threshold
- ▶ Ultra-low radioactive bg
- ▶ Good bg discrimination

Nuclear recoil energy
 $\approx 1 \div 100$ keV

MODULATION SIGNATURES

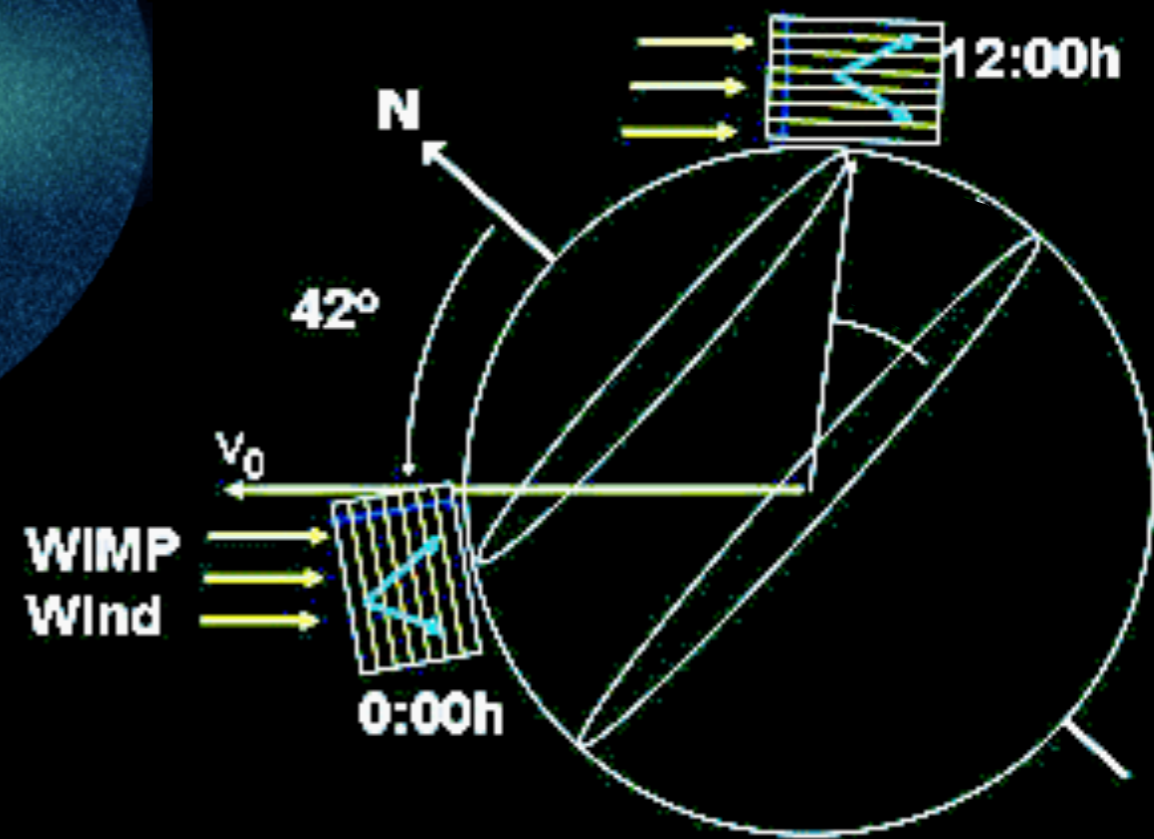
Annual event rate modulation:
June-December asymmetry $\sim 2-10\%$

Drukier, Freese, Spergel, Phys. Rev. D33:3495 (1986)



Sidereal direction modulation:
asymmetry $\sim 20-100\%$ in
forward-backward event rate

Spergel, Phys. Rev. D36:1353 (1988)



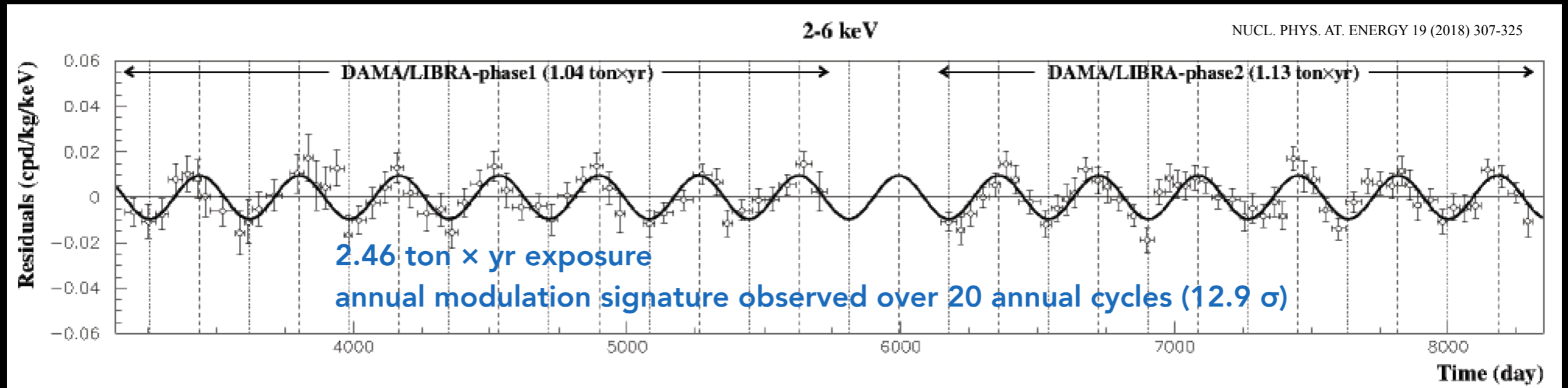
$\times 3$ rate variation of parallel vs
perpendicular directions

MODULATION RECENT RESULTS

Standard Halo Model predicted modulation $A \sim 0.02-0.1$, $t_0 = 152.5$ days

DAMA/NaI + DAMA/LIBRA-phase1 + phase2:

$A = (0.0103 \pm 0.0008)$ cpd/kg/keV, $t_0 = (145 \pm 5)$ d in 2.46 t-yr (2 - 6 keV)



many other searches, on Ge, CsI, Xe, etc.
observe no evidence of modulation

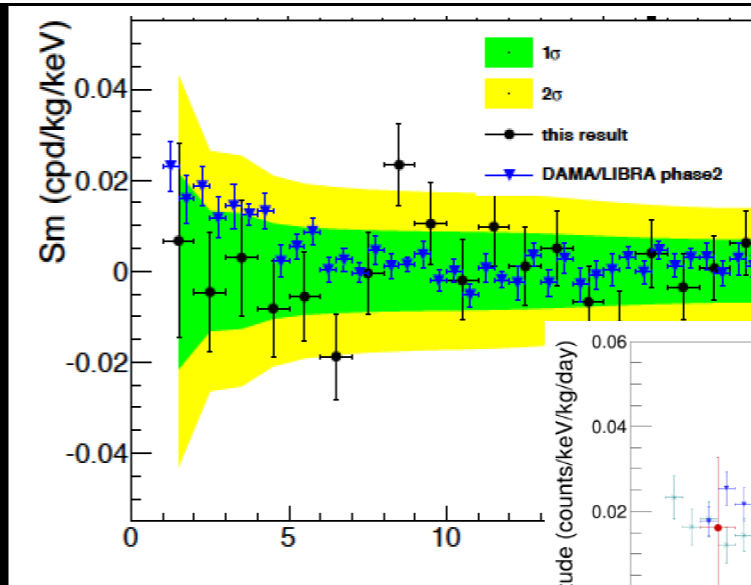
In the same underground laboratory:

XENON100: Xe, 5.7σ exclusion of DAMA,
dark matter electron interactions via axial vector
coupling *PRL*118,101101 (2017)

Using the same target (NaI):

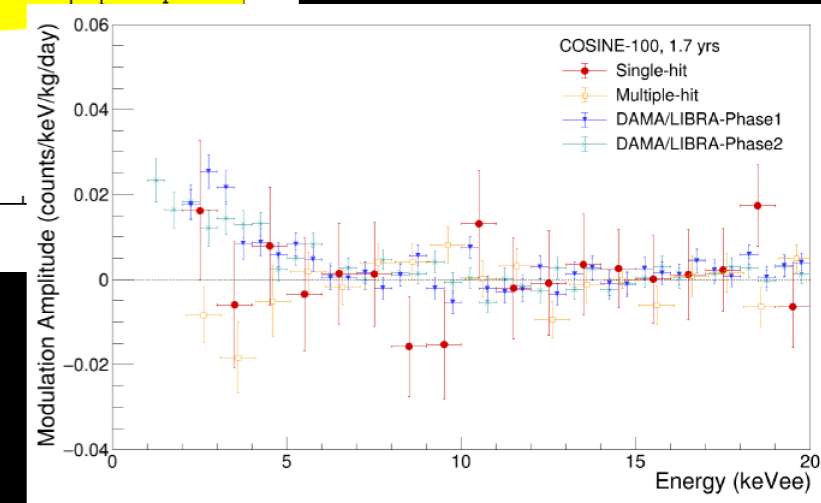
ANAIS (LSC), COSINE-100 (Y2L)

\sim consistent at 1σ , project 3σ test in 5 years



ANAIS, arXiv:
1903.03973

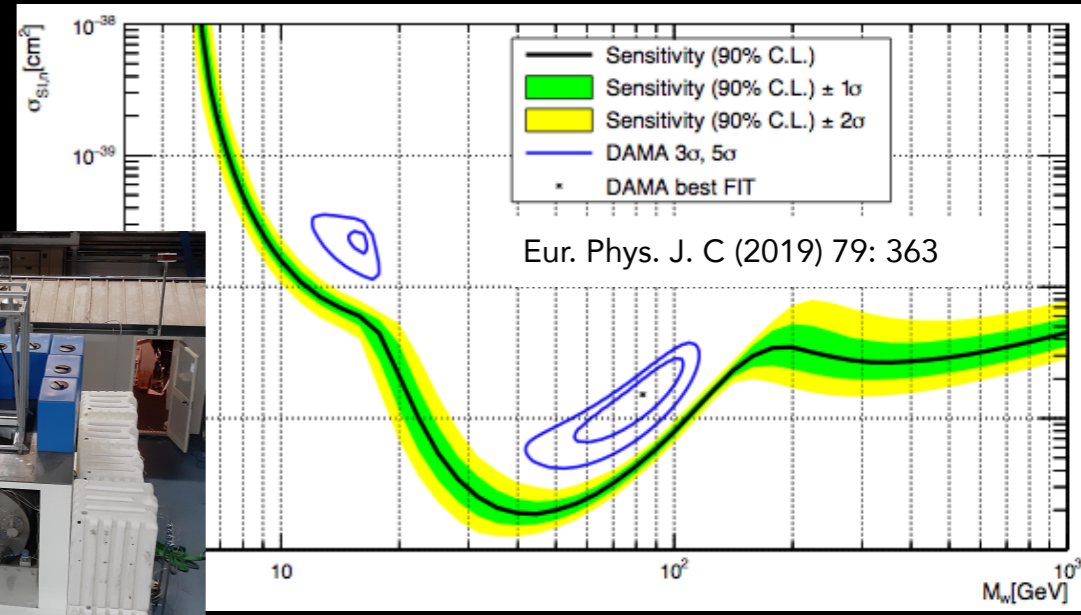
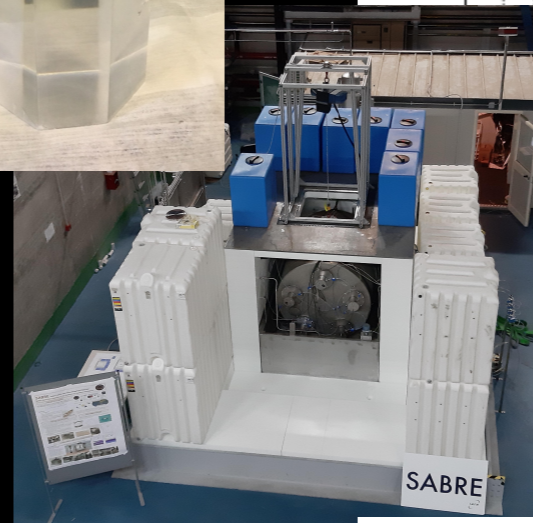
COSINE-100, arXiv:
1903.10098



MODULATION PERSPECTIVE

❖ SABRE

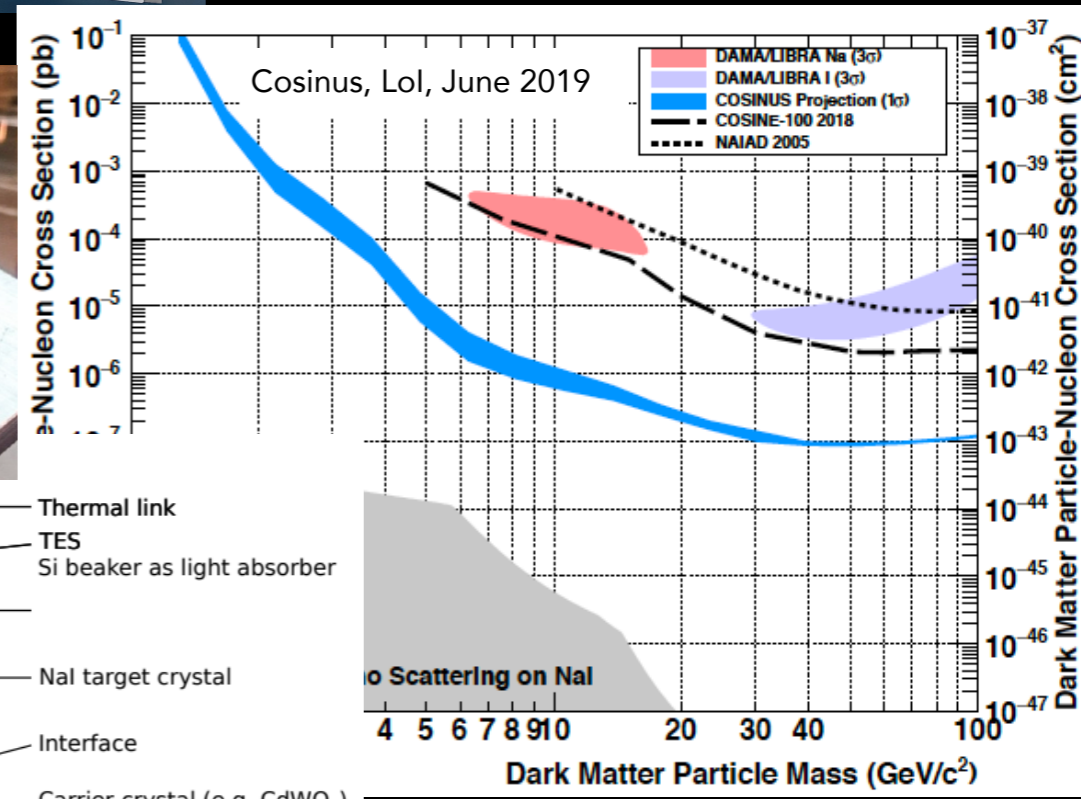
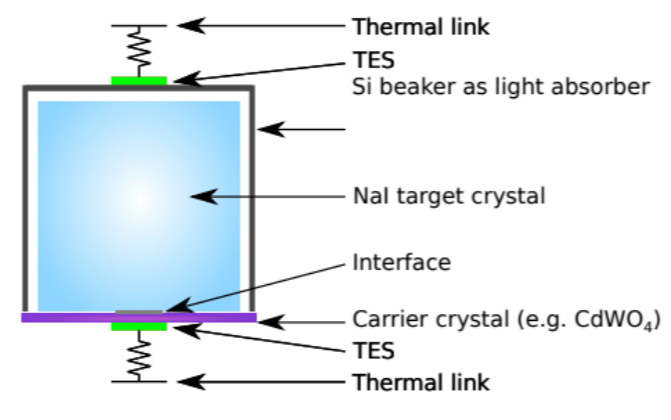
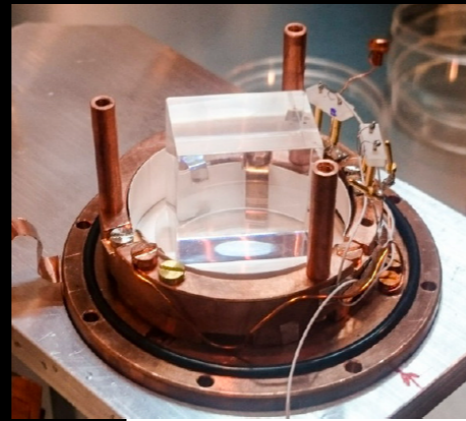
- ❖ Development of ultra-high purity NaI(Tl) crystals
- ❖ Passive shielding + active veto
- ❖ Two sites: LNGS in Northern and SUPL in Southern hemisphere
- ❖ PoP ready to start



exposure of 150 kg yrs

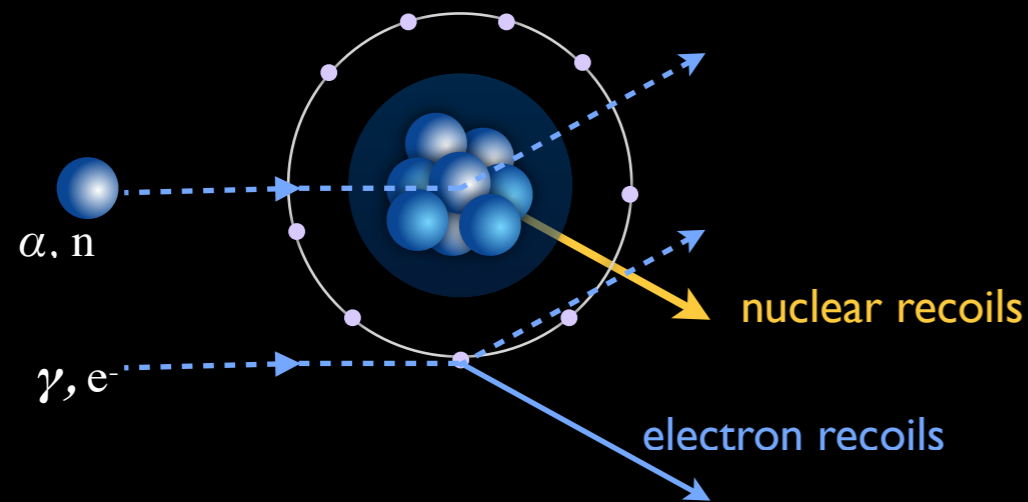
❖ COSINUS

- ❖ NaI detectors operated as cryogenic calorimeters
- ❖ dual readout of heat and scintillation light
- ❖ R&D phase, several prototypes, mass 50g → 300g



exposure of 100 kg days

DISCRIMINATING BACKGROUNDS



from natural radioactivity:

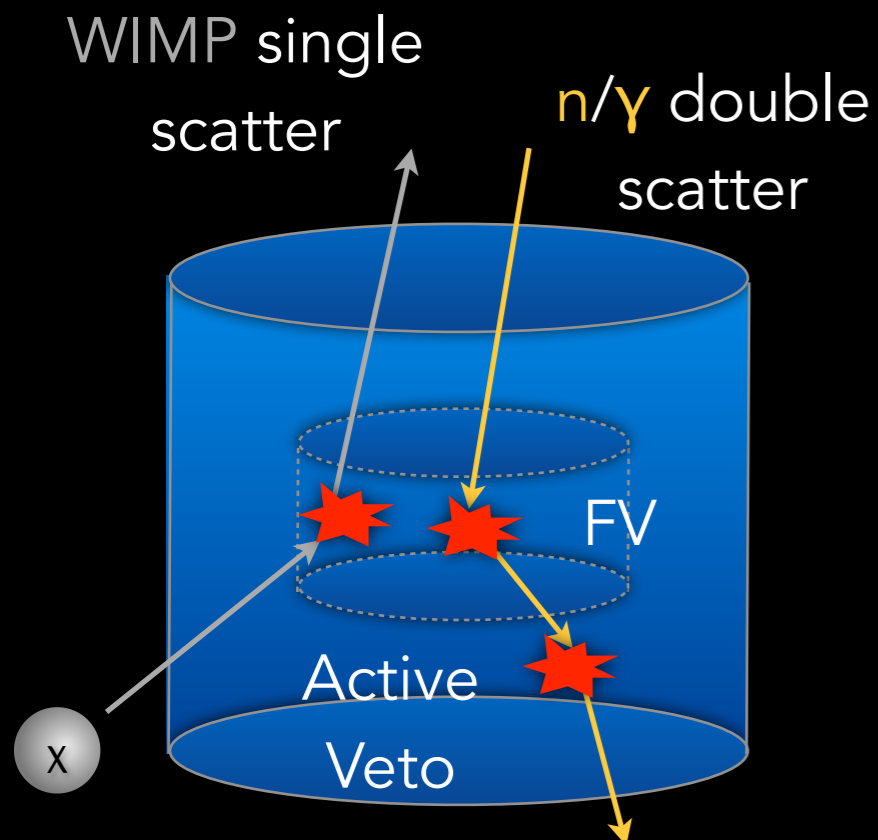
$$\gamma e^- \rightarrow \gamma e^-$$

$$nN \rightarrow nN$$

$$N \rightarrow N' + \alpha, \beta$$

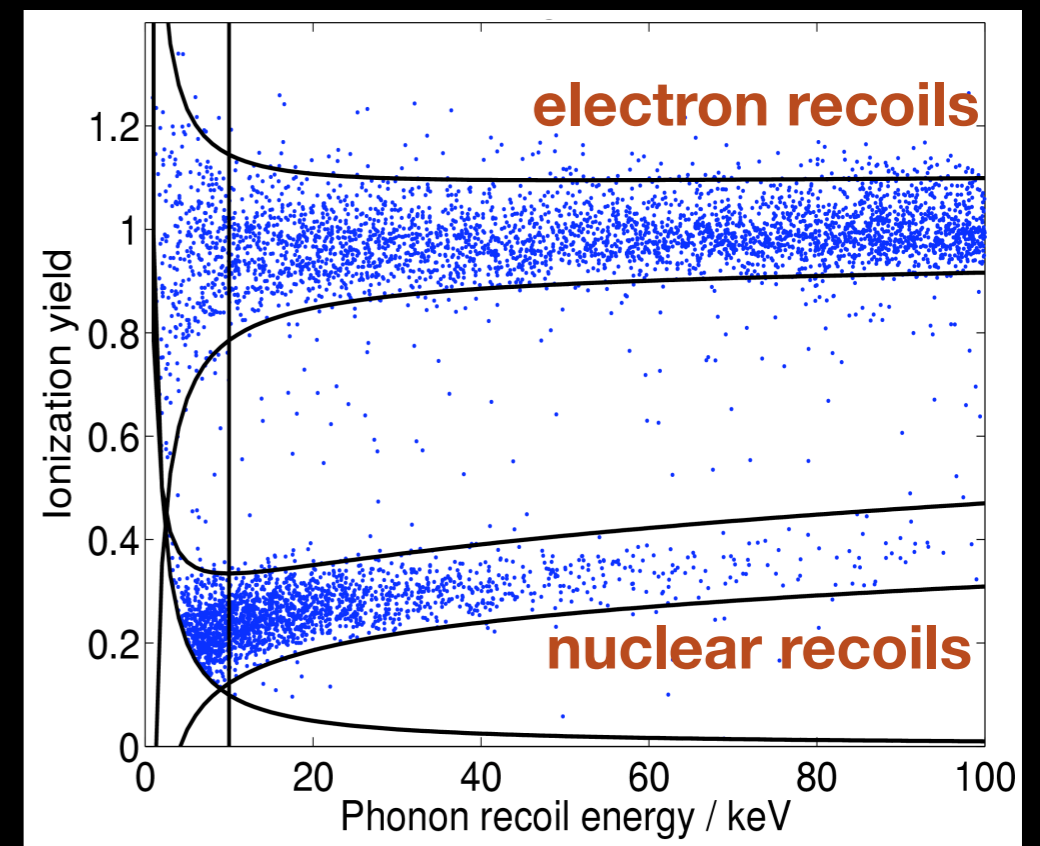
Active veto shield and fiducialization
 → identification of neutron recoils

Signal split in two components which
 respond differently to NR/ER
 → separation of S and B

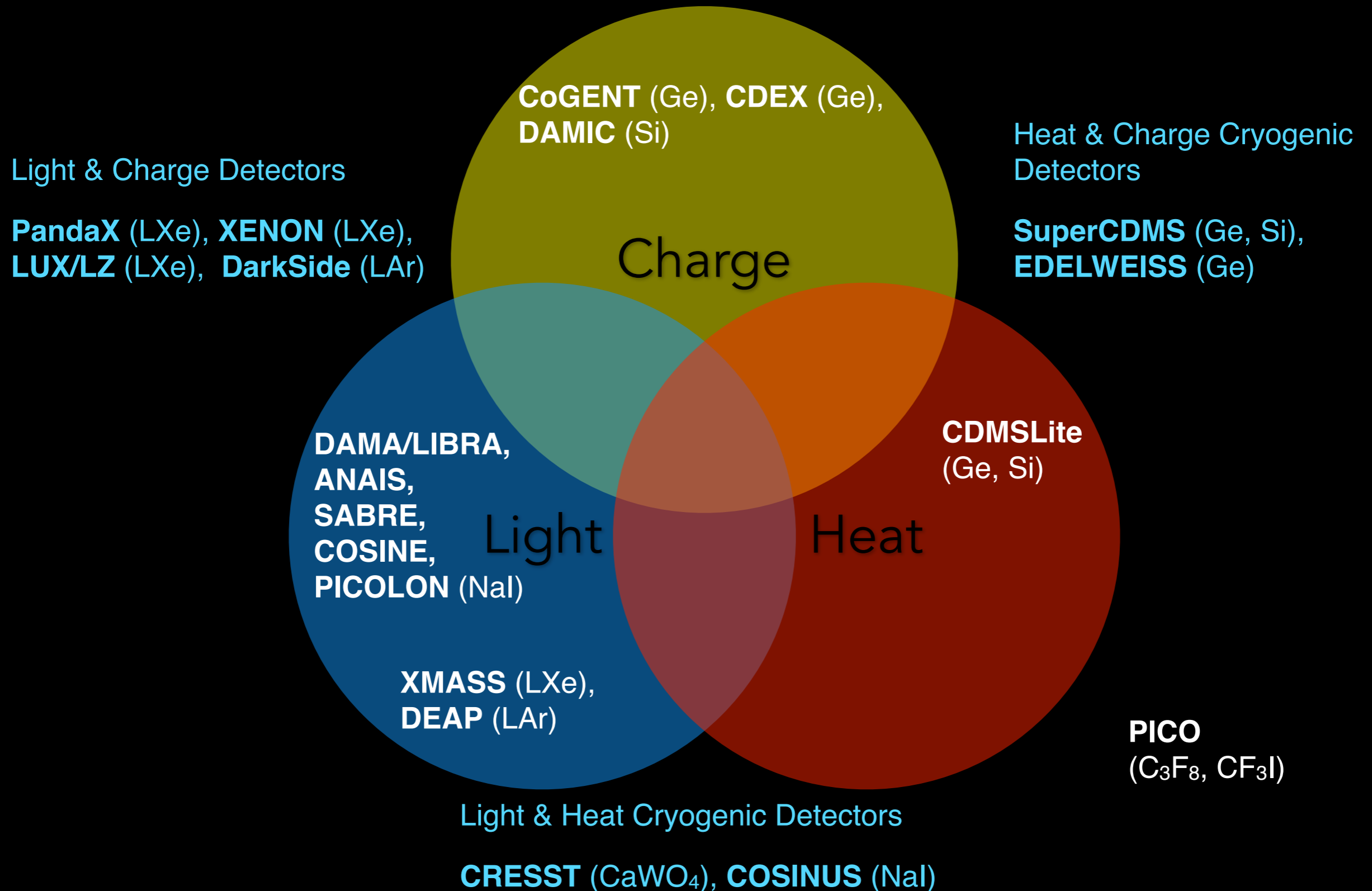


Background region

Expected signal region

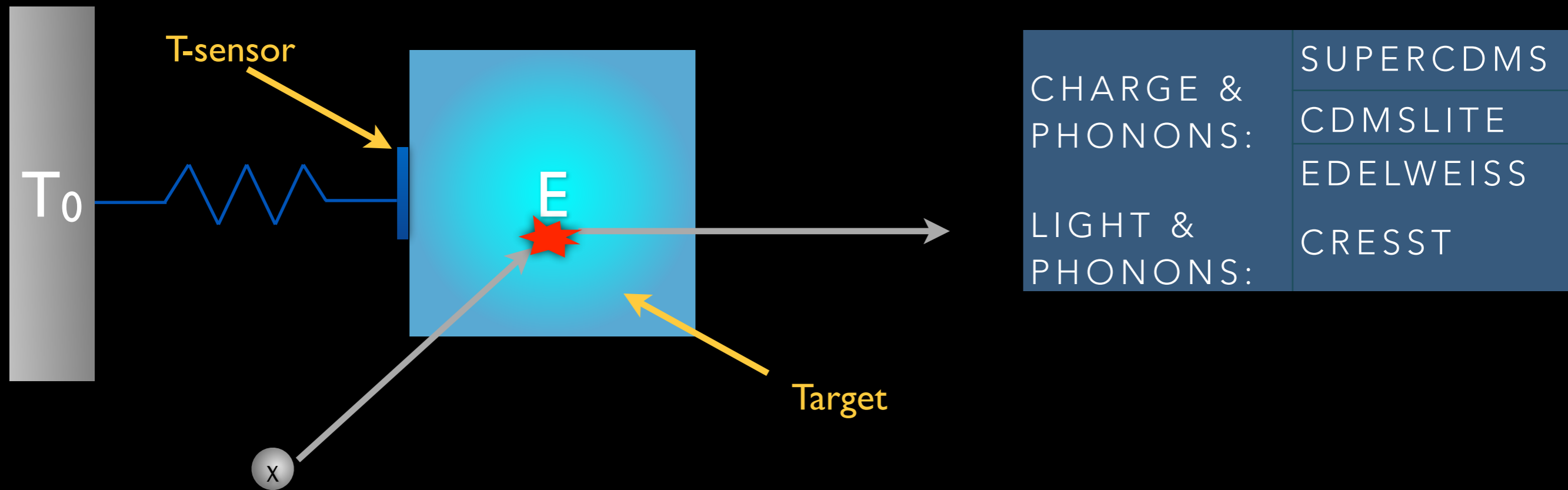


DETECTOR TECHNOLOGIES



Too many experiments: only a selection here

CRYOGENIC CRYSTALS



E deposition \rightarrow temperature rise $\Delta T \sim \mu\text{K} \rightarrow$ requires detectors at mK

❖ Crystals: Ge, Si, CaWO_4 , NaI

❖ T-sensors:

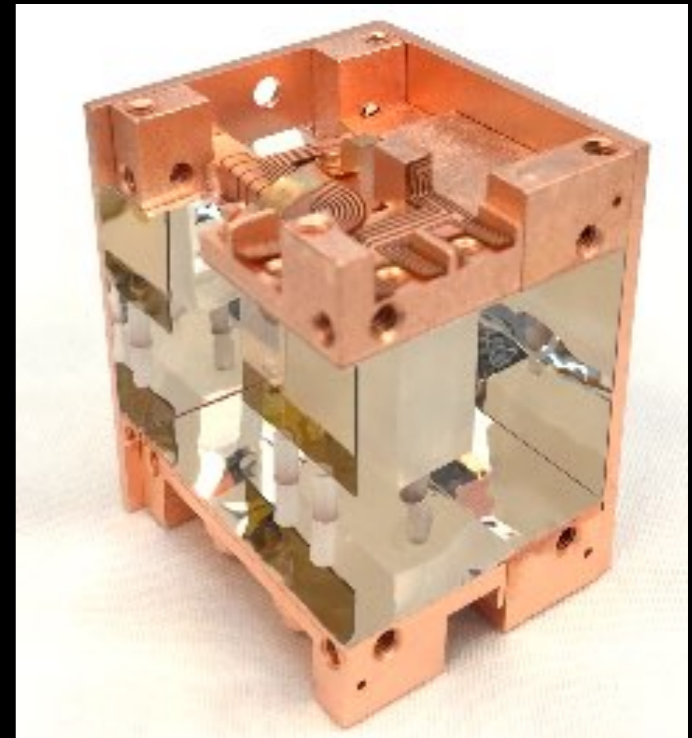
❖ superconductor thermistors (highly doped superconductor): NTD Ge

\rightarrow **EDELWEISS**

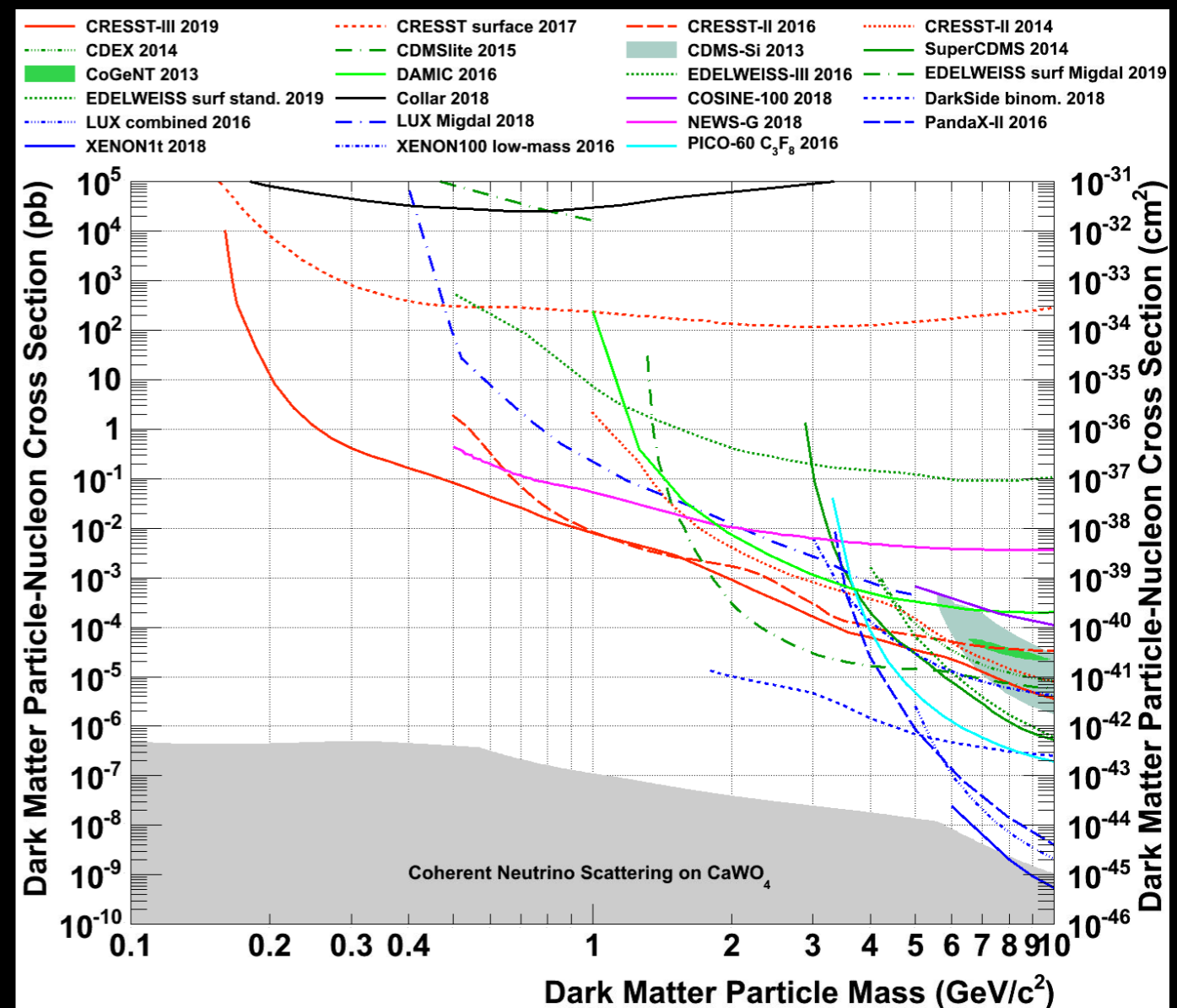
❖ superconducting transition sensors (thin films of SC biased near middle of normal/SC transition): TES \rightarrow **CDMS, CRESST**

LOW THRESHOLD: CRESST

- ❖ First **CRESST-III** run 07/2016 - 02/2018
- ❖ Unprecedented low nuclear recoil thresholds of 30 eV
- ❖ Leading sensitivity over one order of magnitude:
 - ❖ $160 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \rightarrow 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- ❖ **CRESST-III** phase 2 will push further the threshold (10 eV), exposure (1tonne*day with 1000 CRESST modules) and background (improving a factor of ~ 100) to approach the neutrino floor.

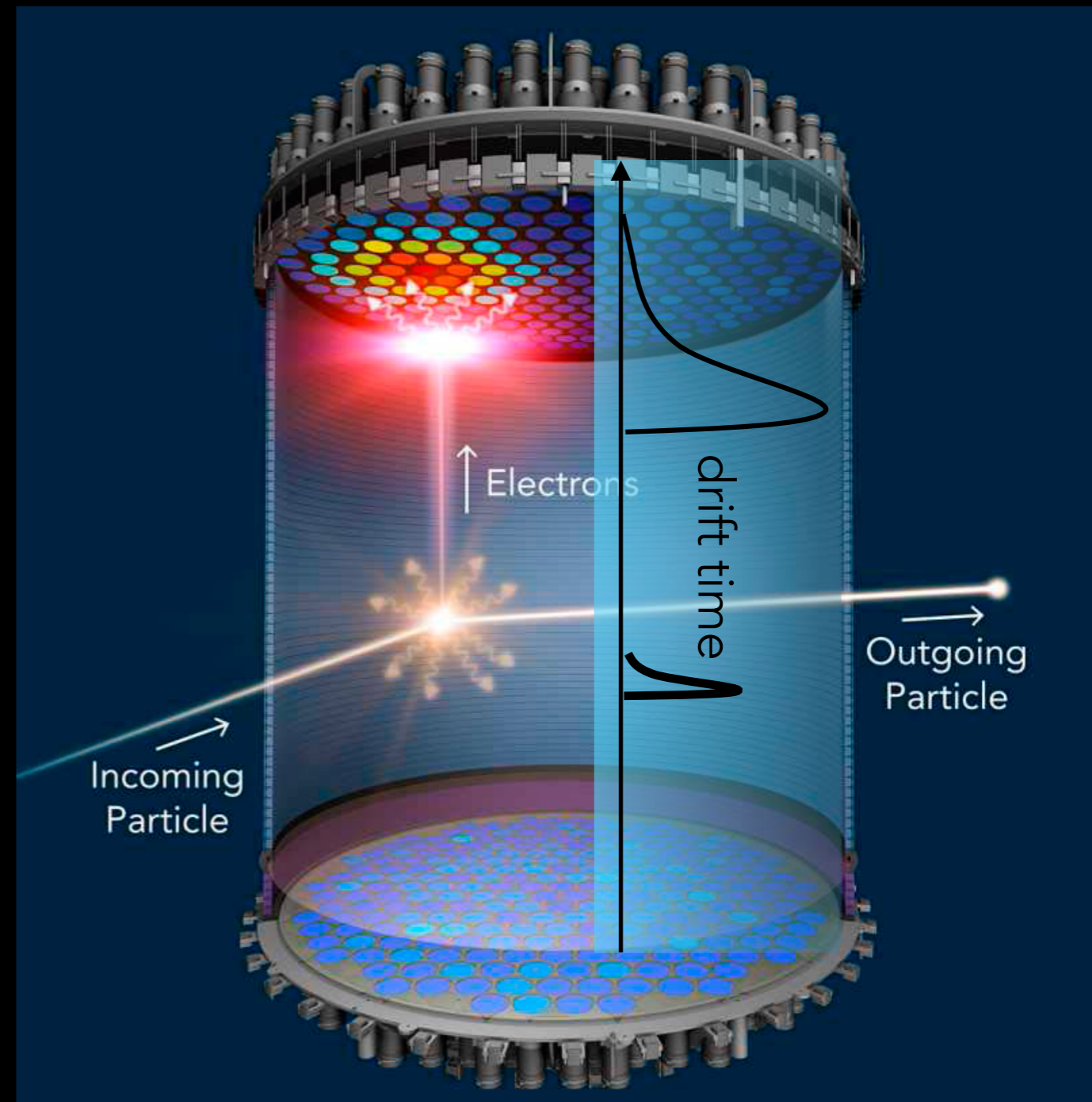


arXiv:1904.00498v1



LARGE MASS: NOBLE LIQUIDS

- ❖ dual-phase Time Projection Chambers with multi-tonne liquid Xe, Ar targets
- ❖ read out primary scintillation: "S1" + proportional gas scintillation from drifted electrons: "S2"
- ❖ 3D position reconstruction:
 - ❖ time difference between S1 and S2 gives Z position (few mm resolution)
 - ❖ pattern of S2 light gives XY position (~1cm resolution)
- ❖ background identification + passive suppression
- ❖ zeptobarn (10^{-45} cm²) to yoctobarn (10^{-48} cm²) sensitivity to dark matter



XENON DETECTORS

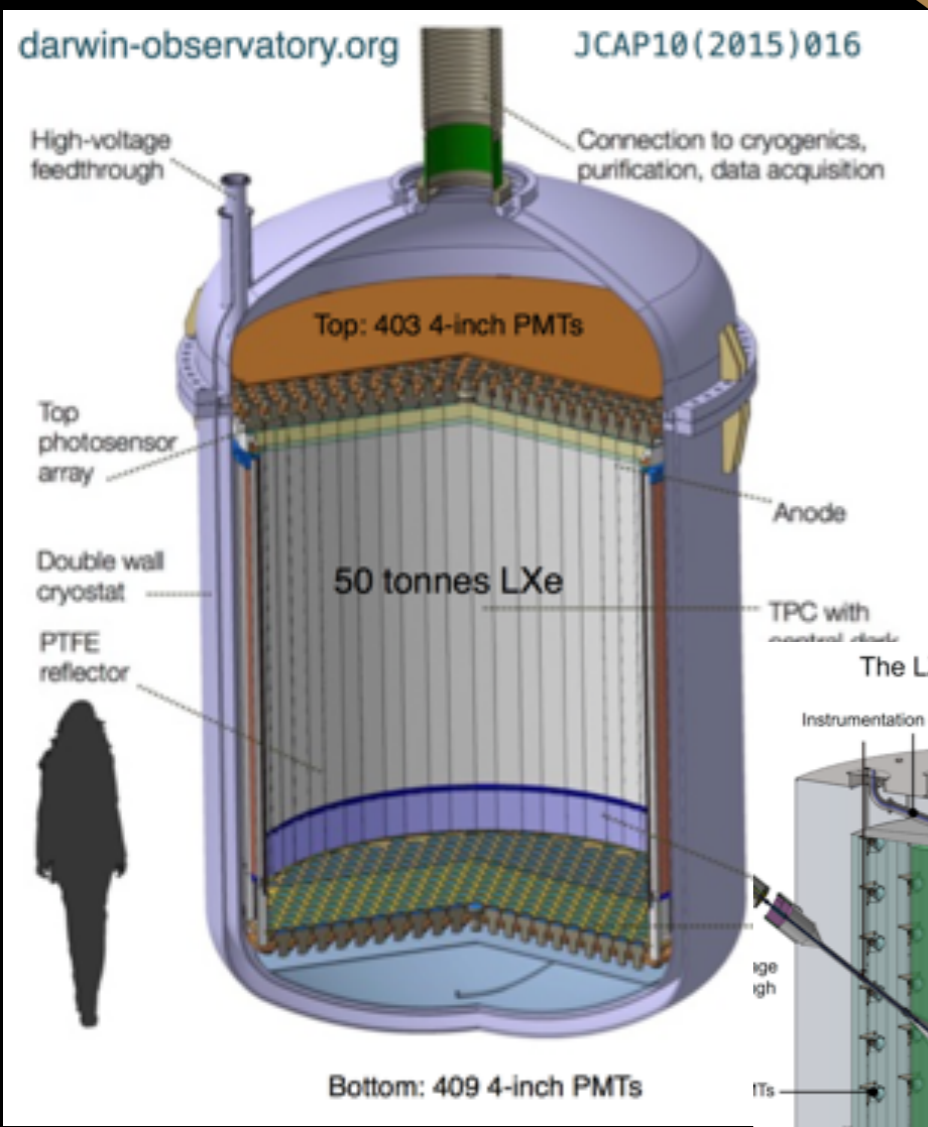
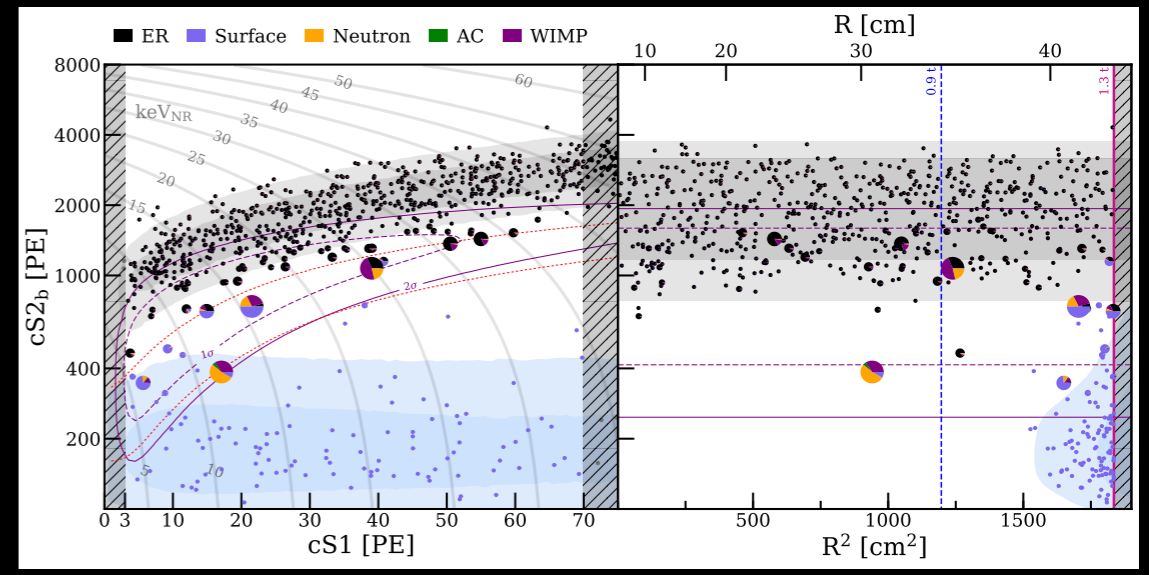
10 kg
XENON 10 (LNGS)
ZEPLIN II (Boulby)
ZEPLIN III (Boulby)

2010

100 kg
XENON 100 (LNGS)

LUX (250 kg, SURF),

XENON1T: best limit for high WIMP masses

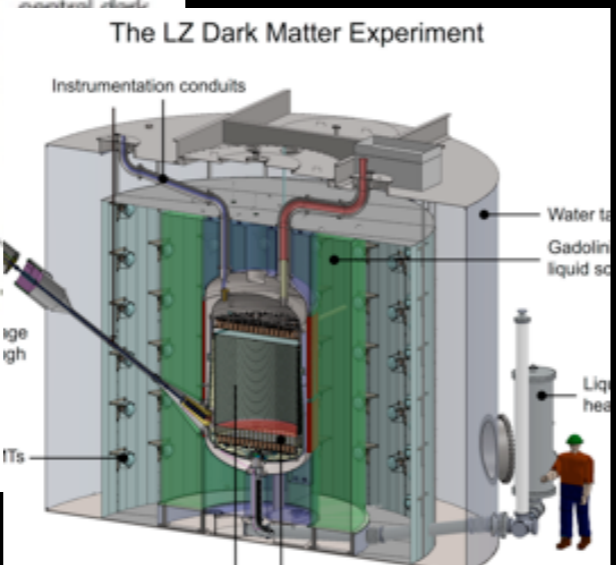
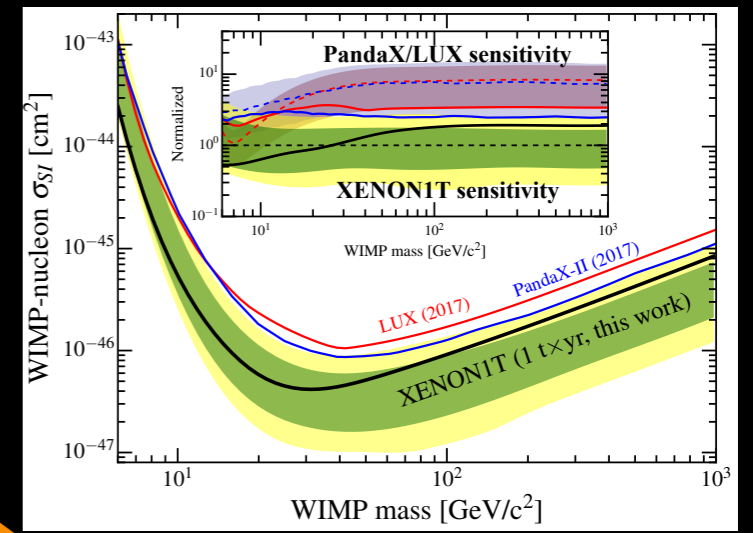


PANDA-X
 (500 kg, CJPL)

XMASS
 (0.8t, Kamioka)
 1000 kg

2015

XENON 1T
 (1t, LNGS)



PandaX-4: (4t, CJPL)
XENONnT: (6t, LNGS)
LZ: (7t, SURF)

10000 kg

DARWIN: 50 t,
 ESPPU Document #62

2020

ARGON DETECTORS

10 kg

2010

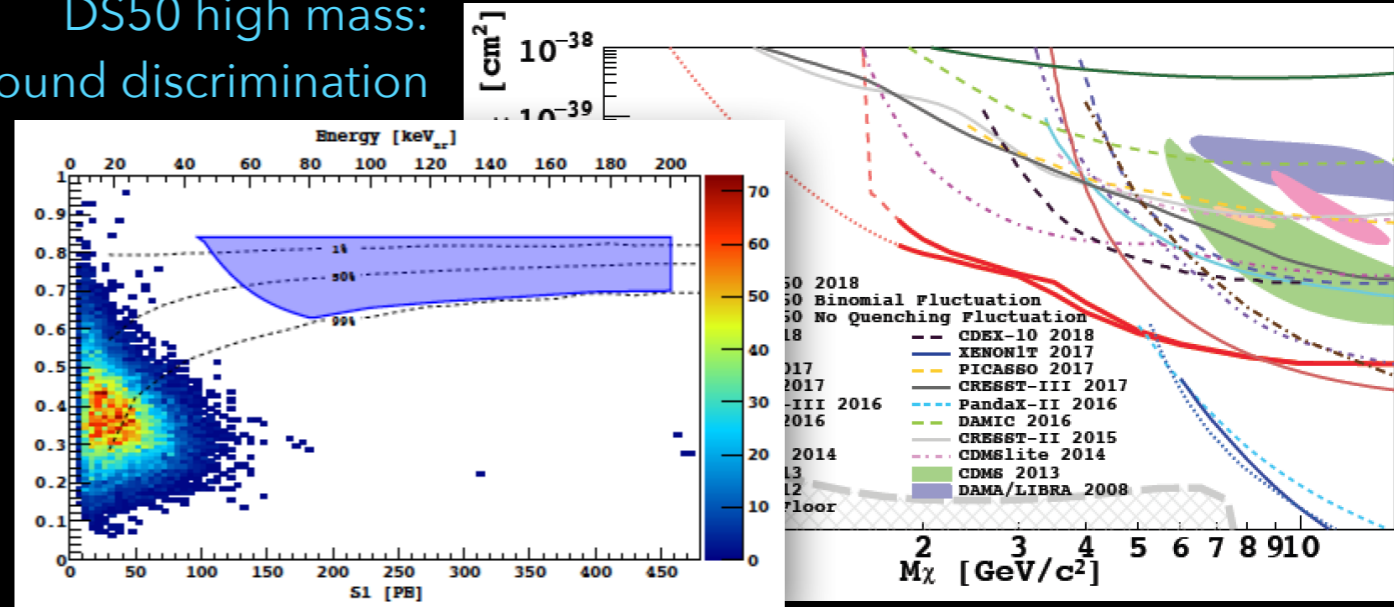
DarkSide-50
(50 kg, LNGS)

DS50 high mass:
background discrimination

DS50 low mass: leading SI limit at 1-5 GeV/c²

100 kg

ArDM
(1t, LSC)



Phys. Rev. D 98, 102006 (2018)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 121.081307 (2018)

1000 kg

2015

DEAP-3600 (3.6t, SNOLAB)

10000 kg

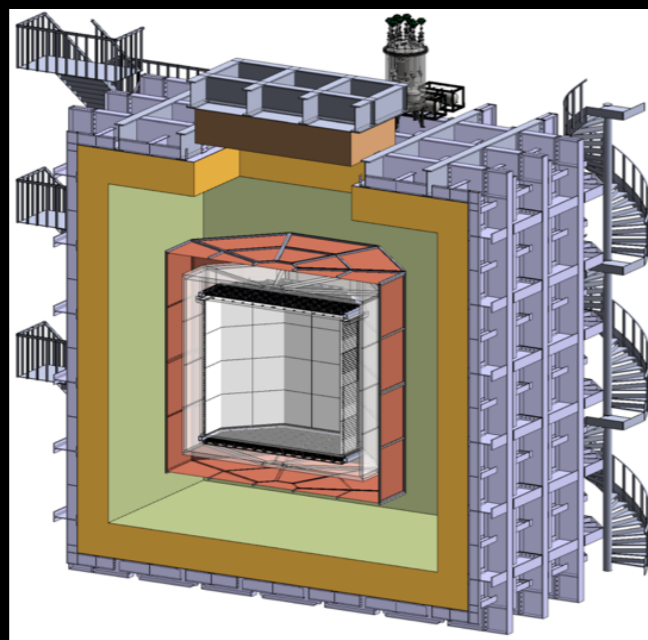
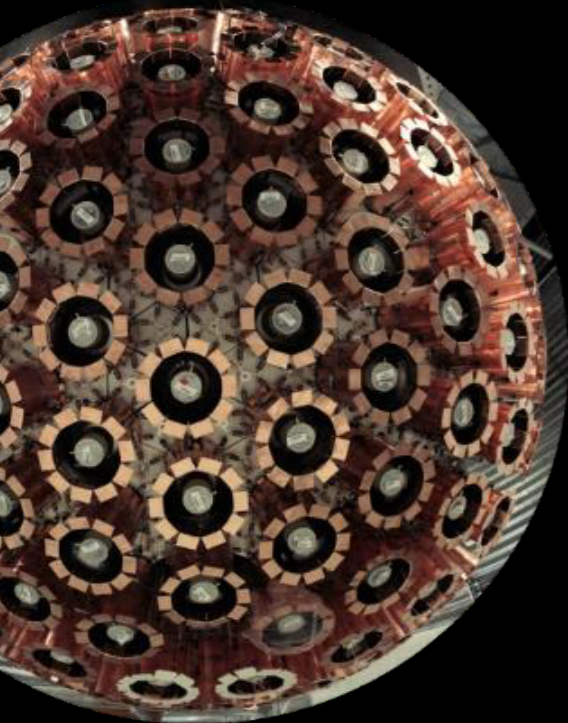
**Global Argon Dark Matter
Collaboration formed:**

2020

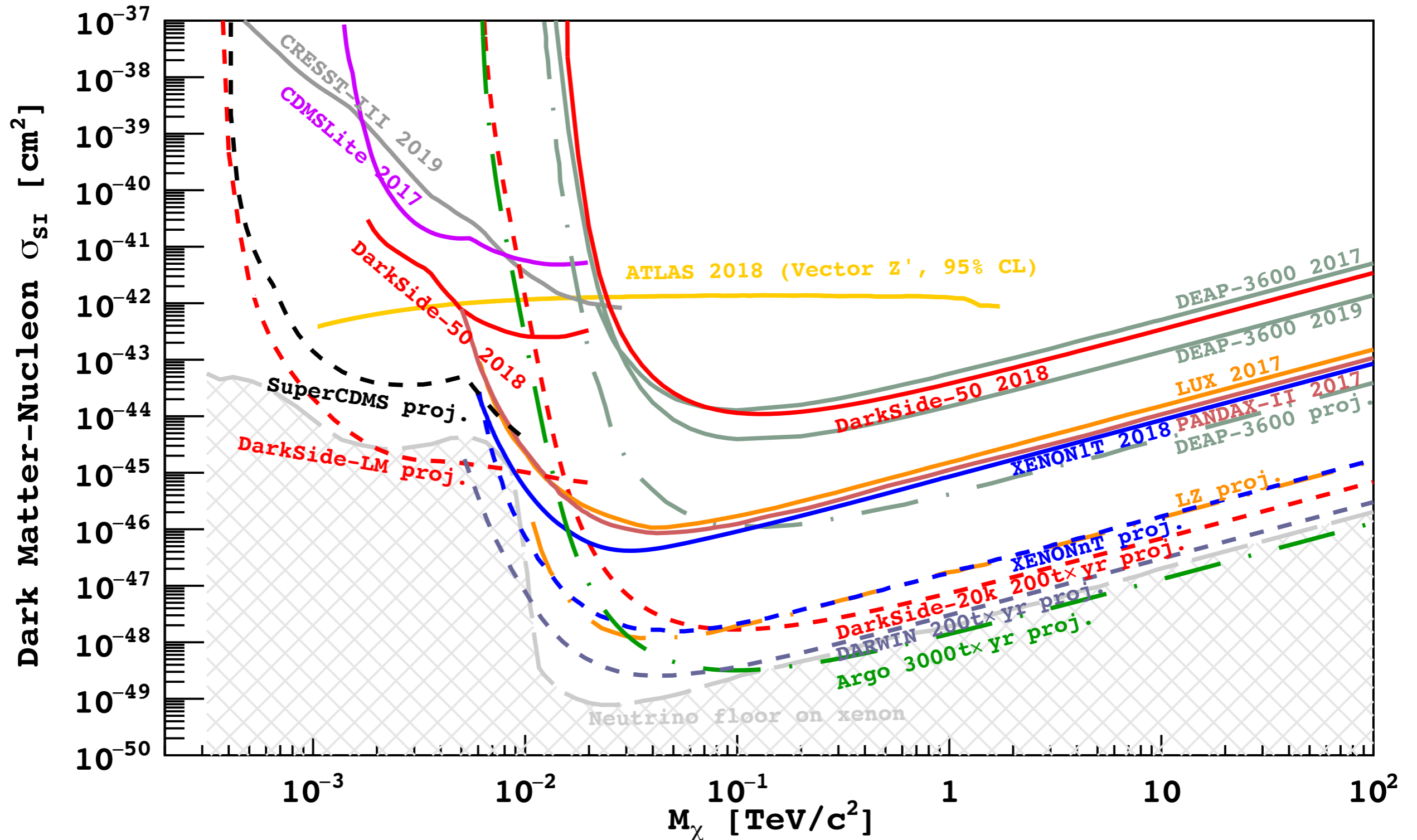
DarkSide-20k
(50t, LNGS)

100000 kg

ARGO: 400 t,
ESPPU Document #97

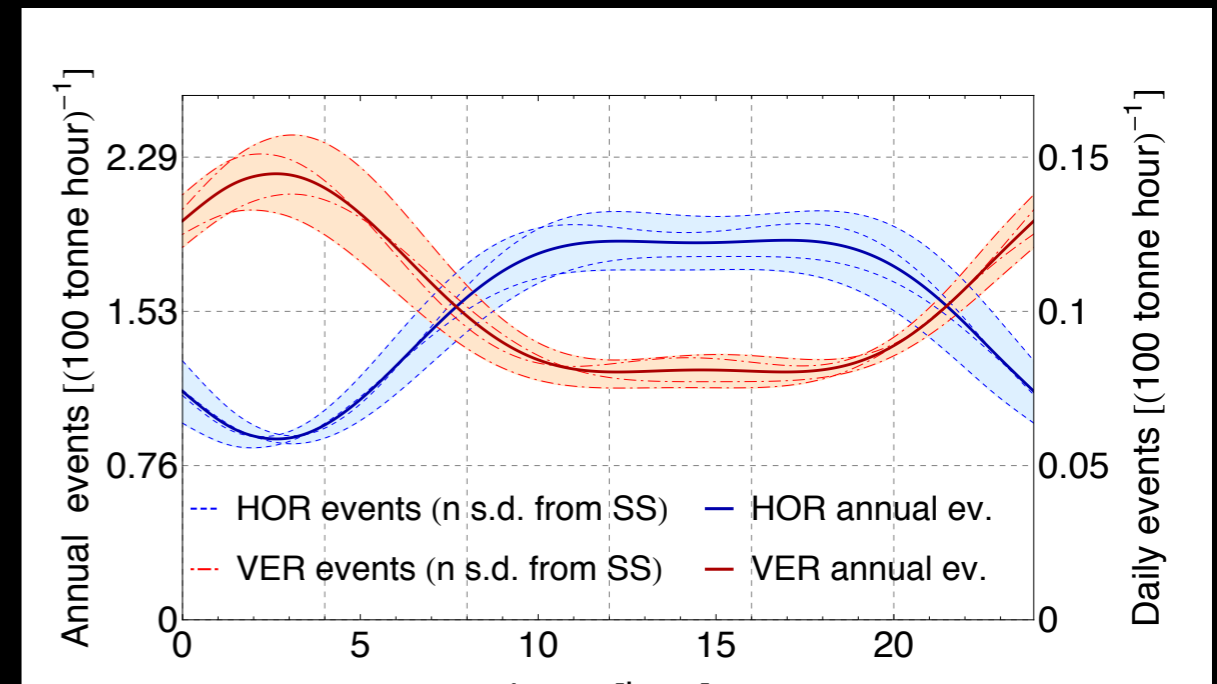
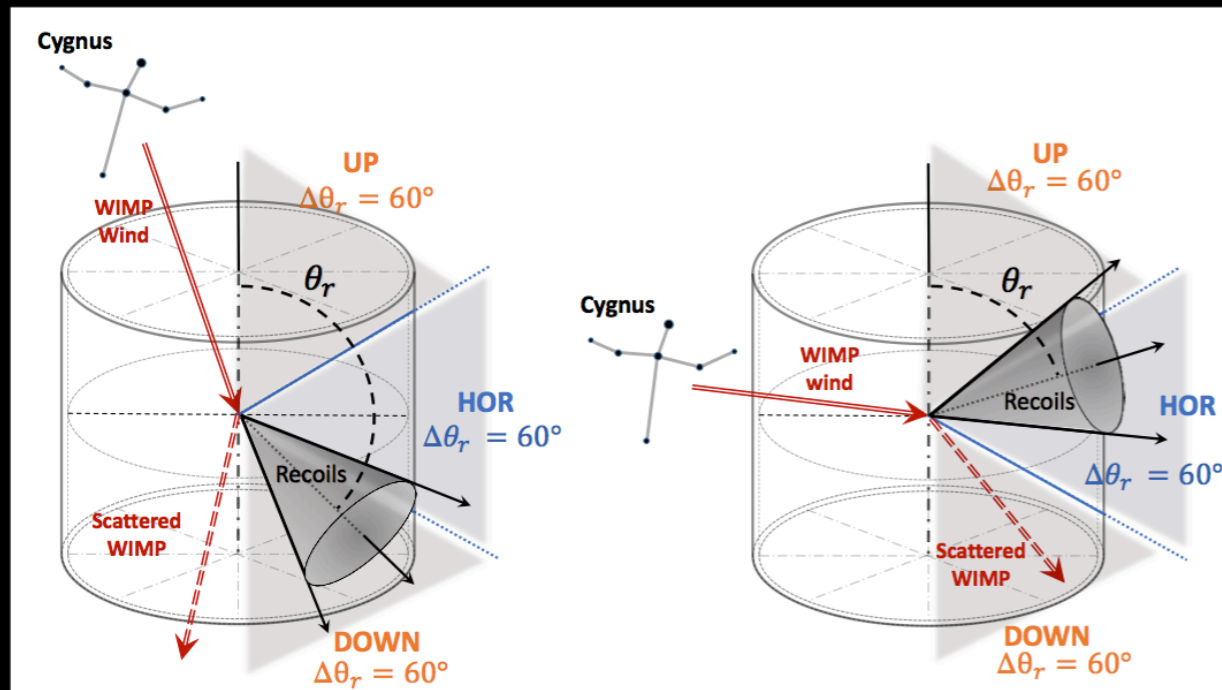


WIMP DIRECT DETECTION STATUS AND PROSPECTS



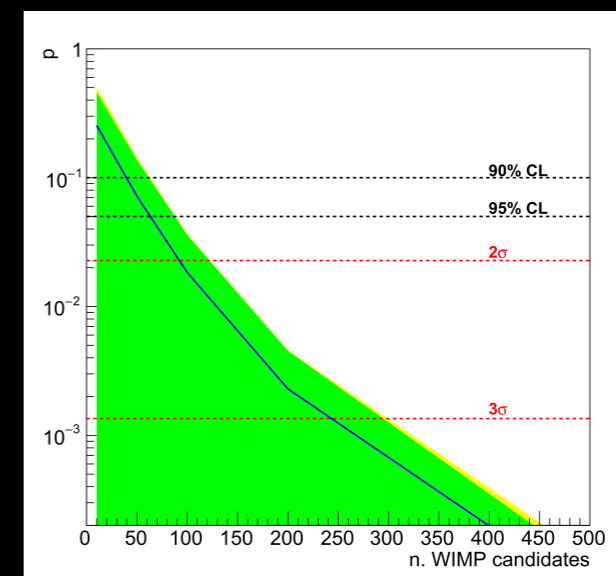
BEYOND THE NEUTRINO FLOOR: LAR DIRECTIONAL DETECTOR SENSITIVITY

JCAP 01 (2019) 014



- 2D info with no head-tail discrimination
- Still retain relevant information with even modest angular resolution
- Sensitivity to reject flat background hypothesis with $O(100)$ events
 - Corresponding to $\sigma_{SI} 10^{-47} \text{ cm}^2$ for 200 GeV Wimps and Darkside-20k full exposure

Worst case scenario
Horizontal/Vertical 2 class only event subdivision



Assuming
400 mrad
resolution

EUROPEAN ASTROPARTICLE PHYSICS STRATEGY 2017-2026

5. Dark Matter

APPEC encourages the continuation of a diverse and vibrant programme (including experiments as well as detector R&D) searching for WIMPs and non-WIMP Dark Matter. With its global partners,

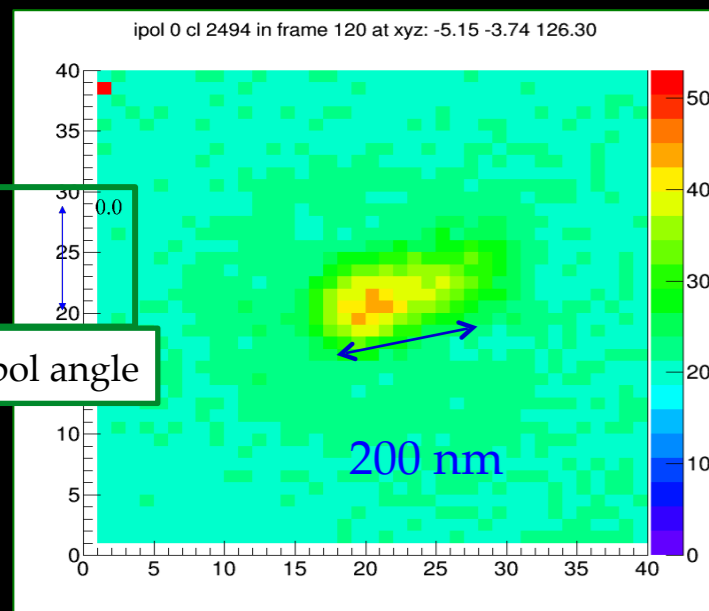
*APPEC aims to converge around 2019 on a strategy aimed at realising worldwide **at least one 'ultimate' Dark Matter detector based on xenon (in the order of 50 tons) and one based on argon (in the order of 300 tons),** as advocated respectively by **DARWIN** and **Argo**.*

DIRECTIONAL DETECTION: BEYOND THE NEUTRINO FLOOR

- ❖ Mature technology: gaseous TPC (**DRIFT, MIMAC, DMTPC, NEWAGE, D3, CYGNO**)
- ❖ R&D on several other techniques:

• NEWS

- Nanometric track direction measurement in nuclear emulsions
- Exploit resonant light scattering using polarised light
- Measurement of track slope and length beyond the optical resolution
- Unprecedented accuracy of 6 nm achieved on both coordinates



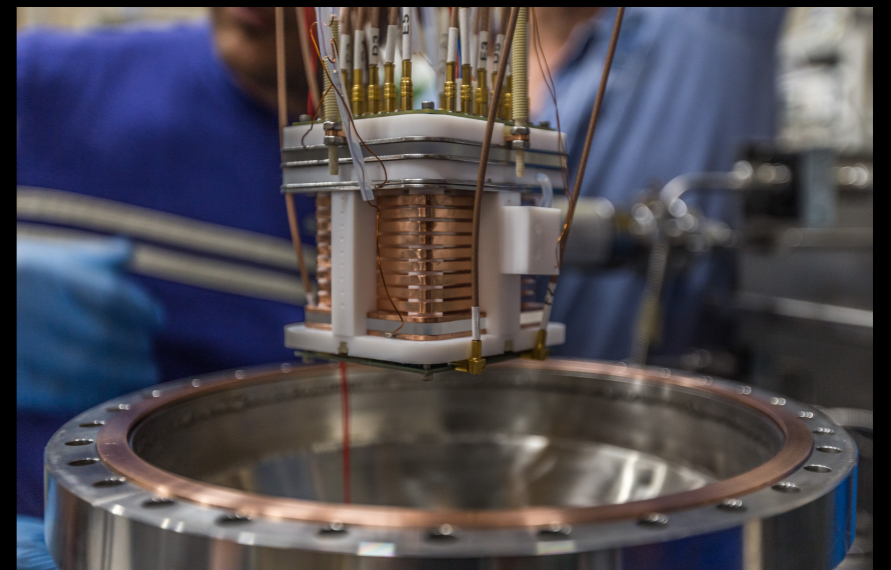
Barycenter shift (100keV C ion)

• RED

- Columnar Recombination in liquid argon TPC

• PTOLEMY

- Graphene target (nanoribbon or nanotubes)

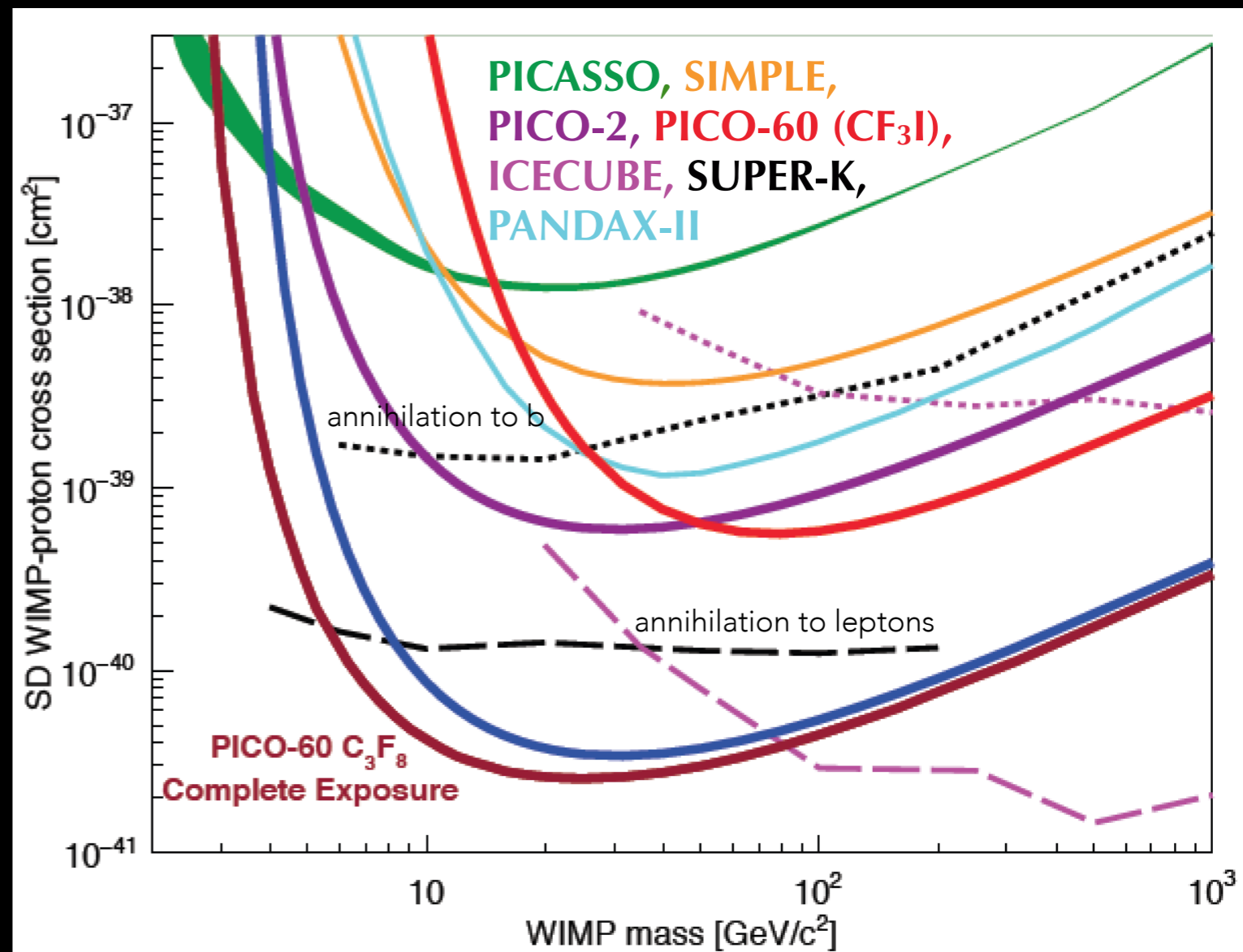
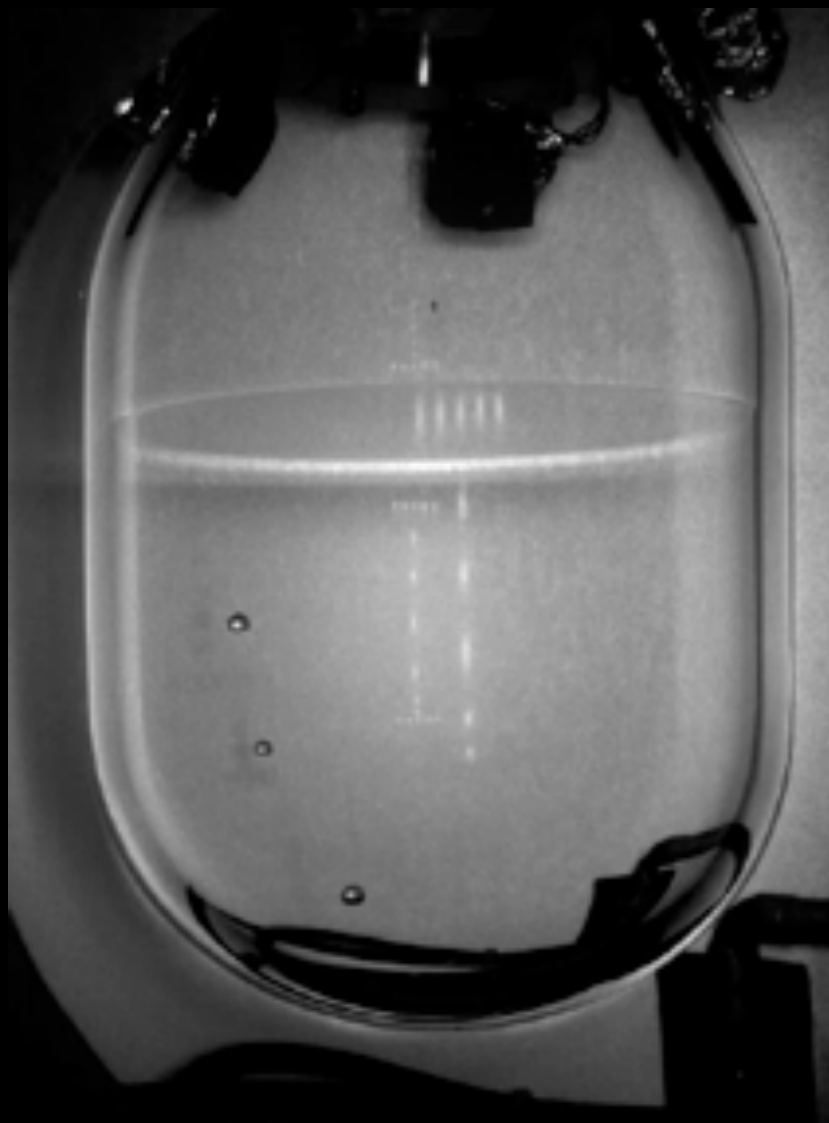


SPIN-DEPENDENT INTERACTIONS

superheated target ($C_N F_M$), camera + acoustic readout, background rejection based on topology $O(10^{-2})$, measure counts above threshold when $dE/dx > \text{nucleation}$,
SIMPLE (GESA), PICASSO+COUPP = PICO (SNOLAB)

PICO-60: leading WIMP-p limit, $C_4 F_8$ target (60 kg), 500 kg planned
competitive limits from neutrino telescopes (IceCube, Antares, SuperK)
leading WIMP-n limits from Xe 2-phase TPCs

arXiv:1902.04031v1



LIGHT DARK MATTER (SUB-GEV)

- ❖ Scattering on electrons (keV - GeV)
- ❖ Absorption on electrons (meV - keV)
- ❖ Increasing number of dedicated experimental efforts

❖ **DAMIC**

❖ **SENSEI**

❖ **PTOLEMY-G³**

❖ Noble liquid 2-phase TPC (e.g. **UA'(1)**, **DarkSide-LM**)

❖ Drift chambers

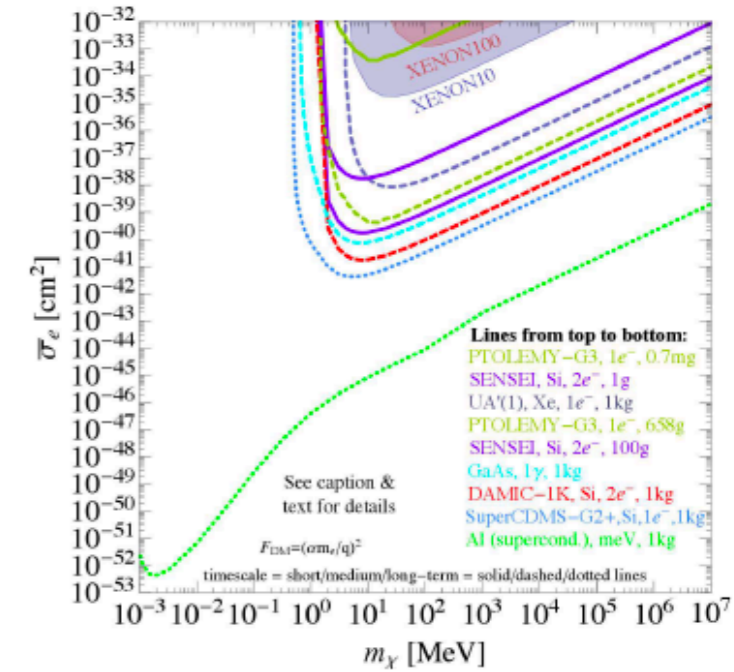
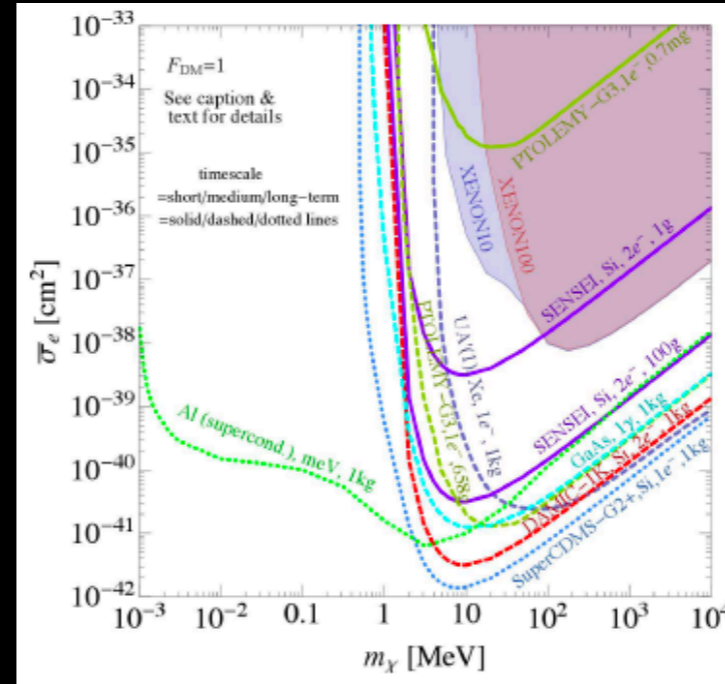
❖ Superconductors

❖ ...

DM-electron scattering

momentum-independent inter.

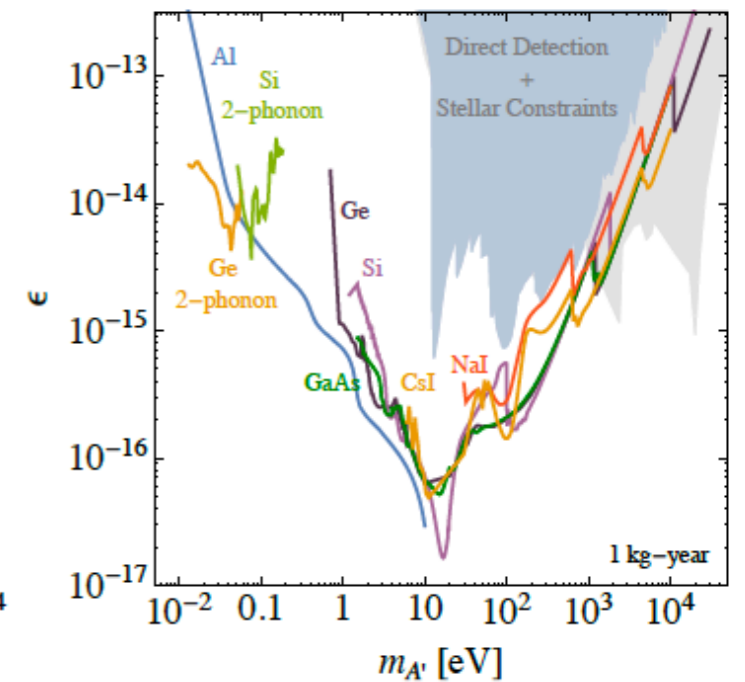
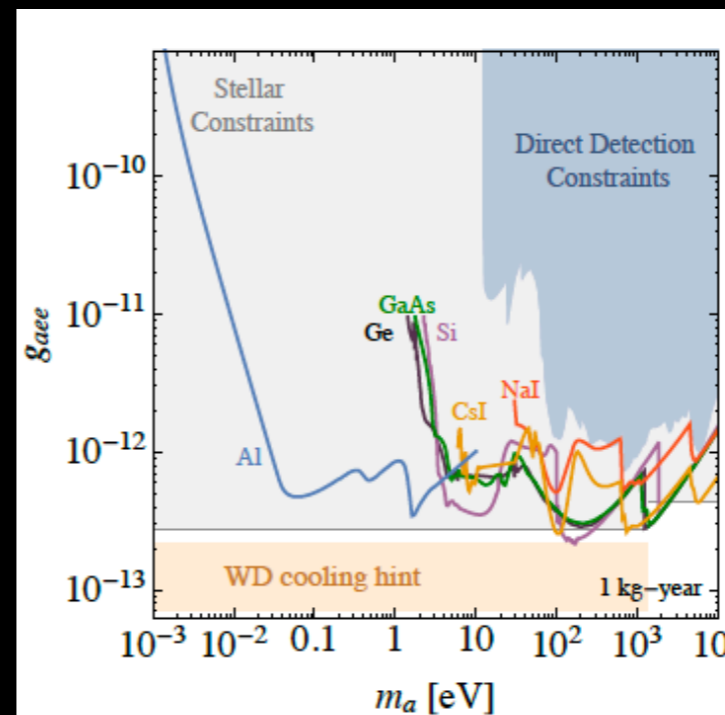
momentum-dependent inter.



Absorption on electrons

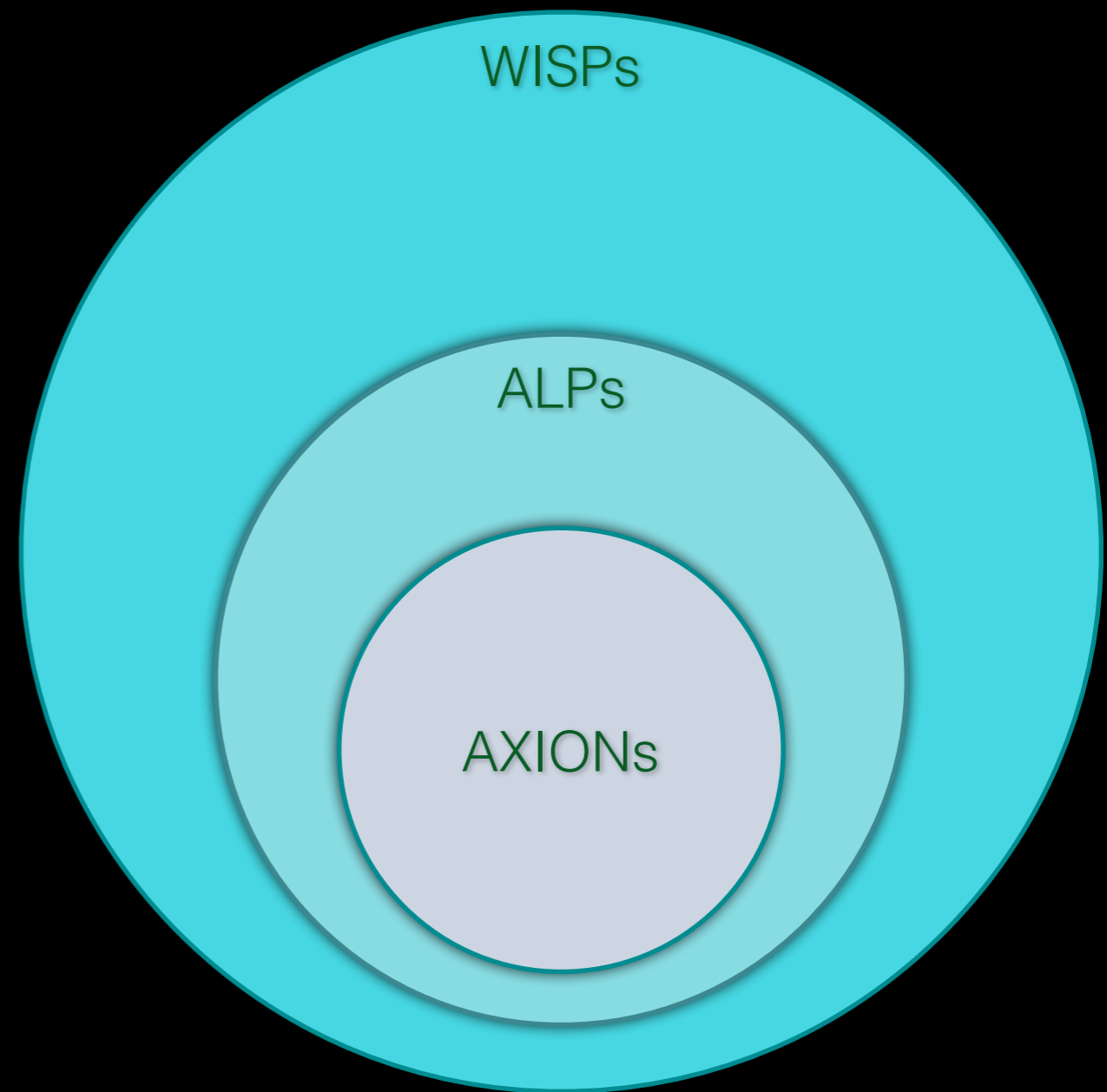
axion-like particle (ALP)

dark-photon (A')



ULTRA LIGHT DM: AXIONS, ALPS, WISPS

- ❖ Origins in particle physics (extensions to Standard Model, strong CP problem)
- ❖ **sub-eV Dark Matter** candidates
- ❖ Low energy scale dictates experimental approach
- ❖ WISP searches are complementary to WIMP searches



WISP = Weakly Interacting Slim Particles

Slim = sub-eV

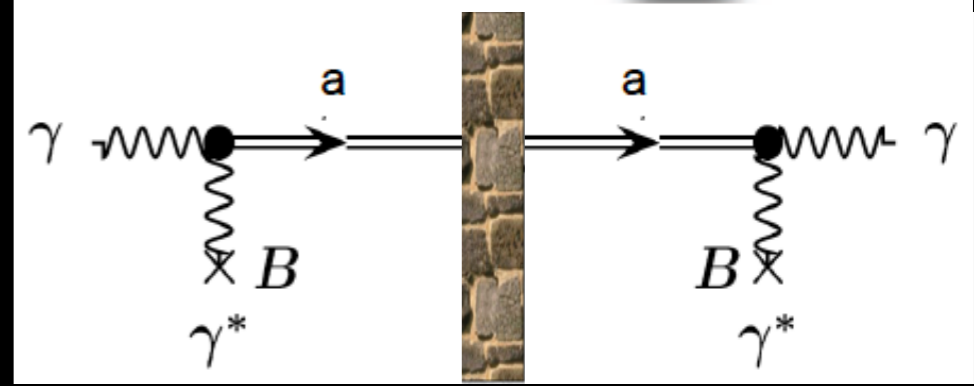
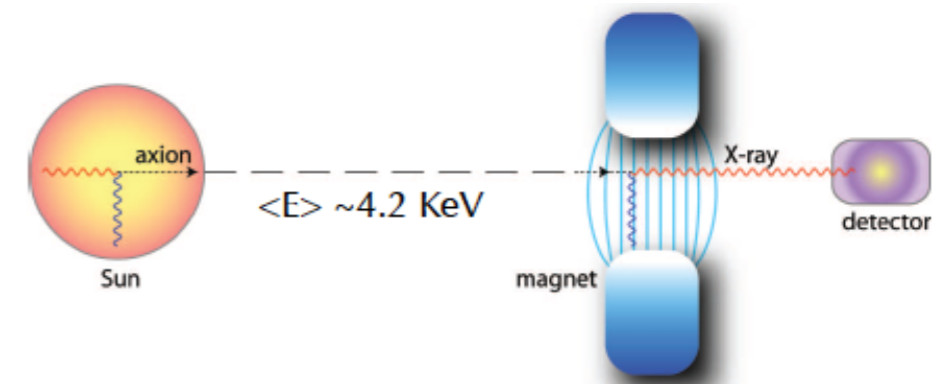
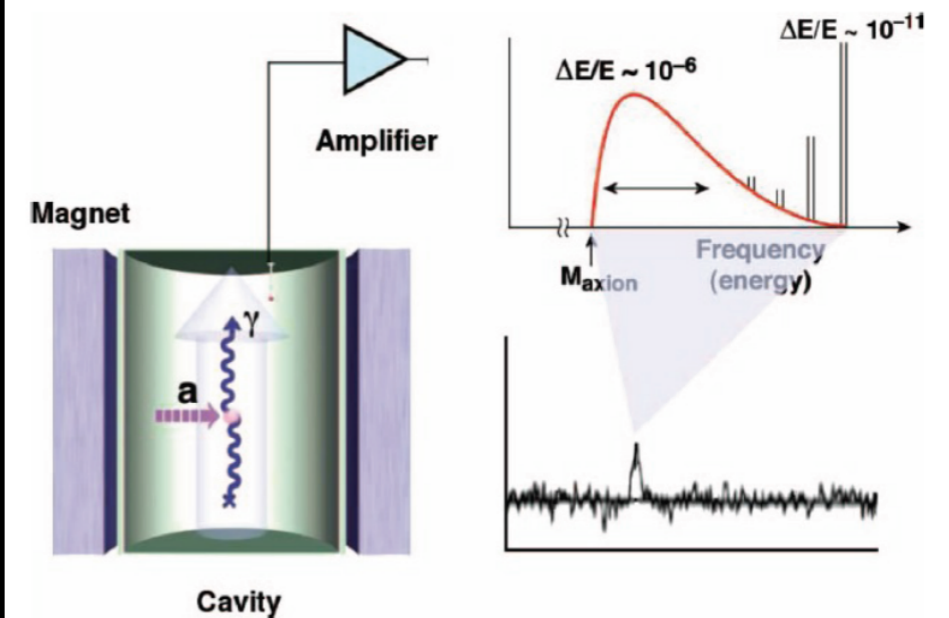
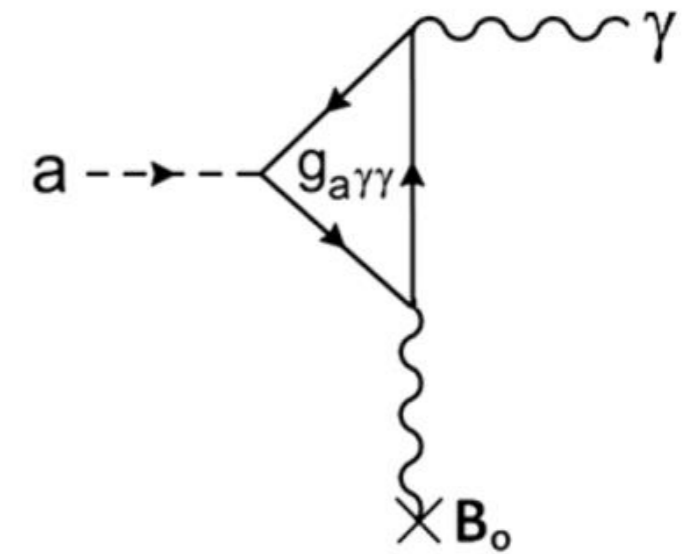
ALP = Axion Like Particles

WISP DETECTION

- Pierre Sikivie (1983): "Experimental Tests of the invisible Axion", based on the conversion of axions to photons: in a static magnetic field, the axion can "borrow" a virtual photon from the field and turn into a real photon

Three main approaches being pursued:

- ❖ **Haloscopes** (look directly for dark-matter WISPs in the galactic halo of MW)
- ❖ **Helioscopes** (search for ALPs or axions emitted by the Sun)
- ❖ **Light Shining trough a Wall** (generate and detect ALPs in a single setup)



AXION/ALPS SEARCHES

❖ Haloscopes

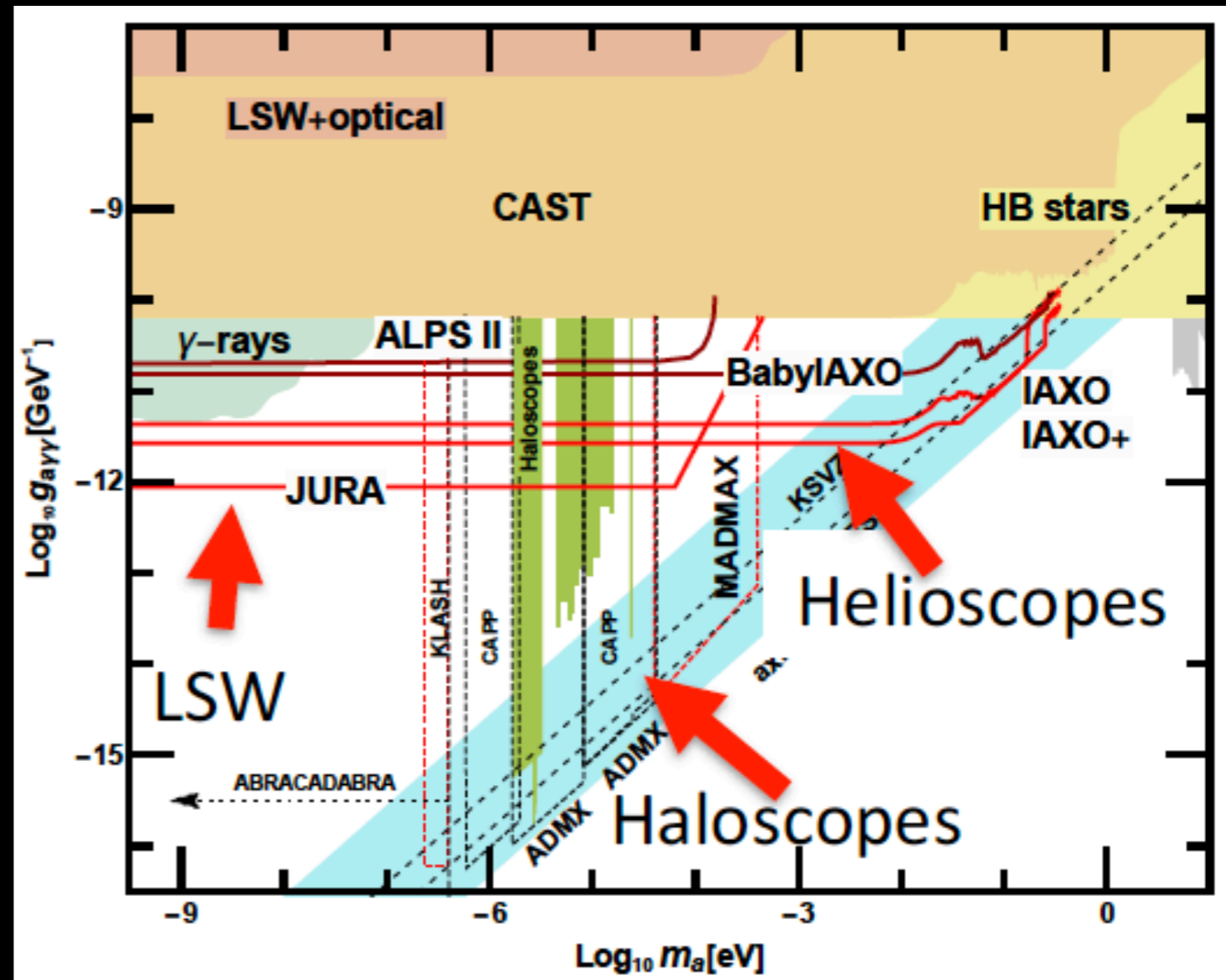
- ❖ **ADMX** (US) is leading the field
- ❖ In Europe, **MadMax** is new key player
- ❖ Smaller efforts developing new techniques

❖ Helioscopes

- ❖ Build on success of **CAST** hosted by CERN
- ❖ Proposed **BabyIAXO**, leads to **IAXO**, with large discovery potential

❖ Light Shining through a Wall (LSW)

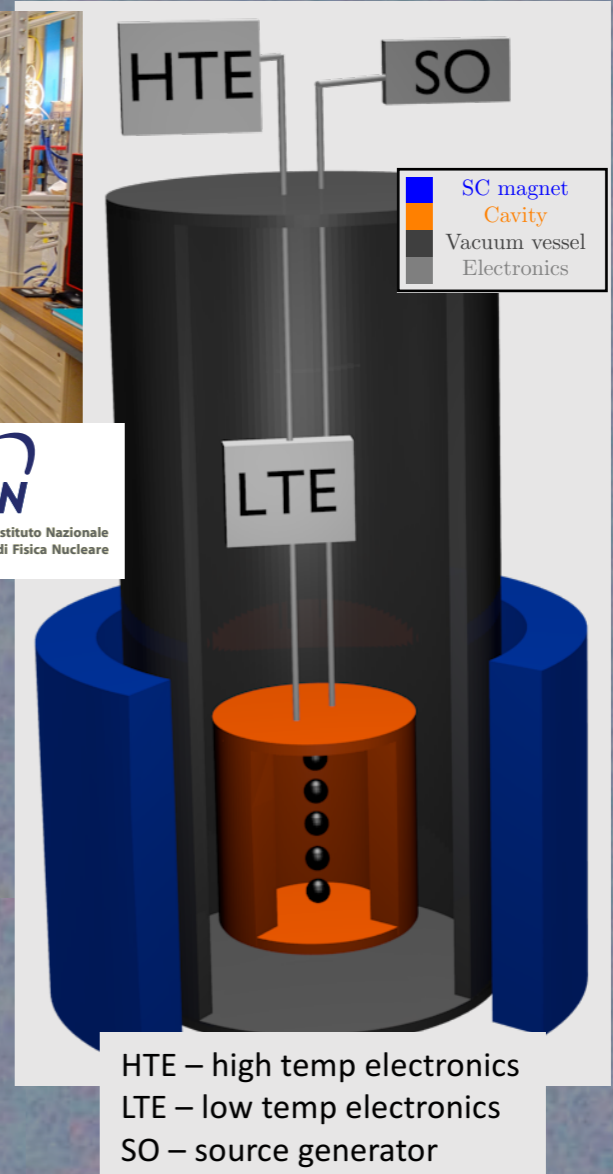
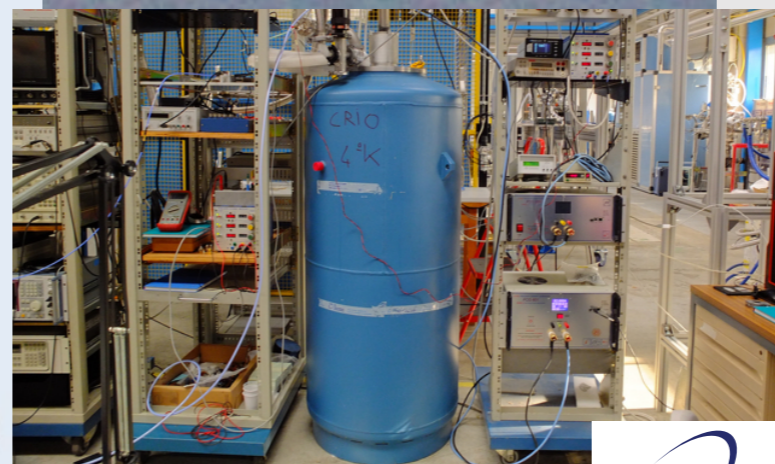
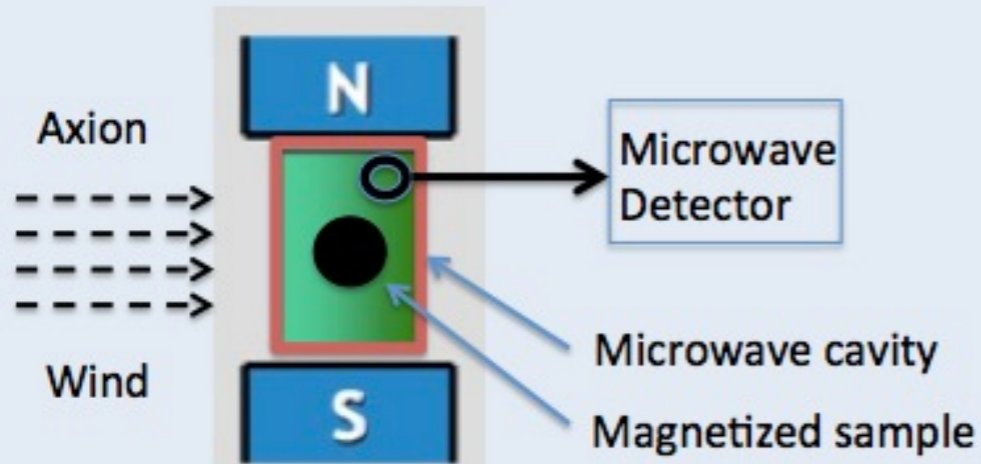
- ❖ **ALPS II** is well underway
- ❖ **STAX** is a new idea RF based
- ❖ **JURA** is long term plan



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The QUAX approach: axion-electron coupling

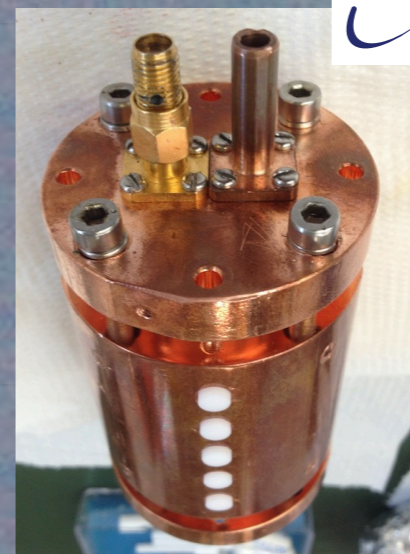
- Due to the motion of the solar system in the galaxy, the axion DM cloud acts as an effective RF magnetic field on electron spin
- RF field excites magnetic transition in a **magnetized sample** (Larmor frequency) with a static magnetic field B_0 and can produce a detectable signal
- The interaction with axion field produces a variation of magnetization which is in principle measurable



Extremely challenging!

$$P_{\text{out}} = \frac{P_{\text{in}}}{2} = 3.8 \times 10^{-26} \left(\frac{m_a}{200 \mu\text{eV}} \right)^3 \left(\frac{V_s}{100 \text{ cm}^3} \right) \left(\frac{n_S}{2 \cdot 10^{28} / \text{m}^3} \right) \left(\frac{\tau_{\text{min}}}{2 \mu\text{s}} \right) \text{ W}$$

Looking for a different coupling will be crucial to identify the particle in case of discovery



Microwave cavity loaded with magnetic samples

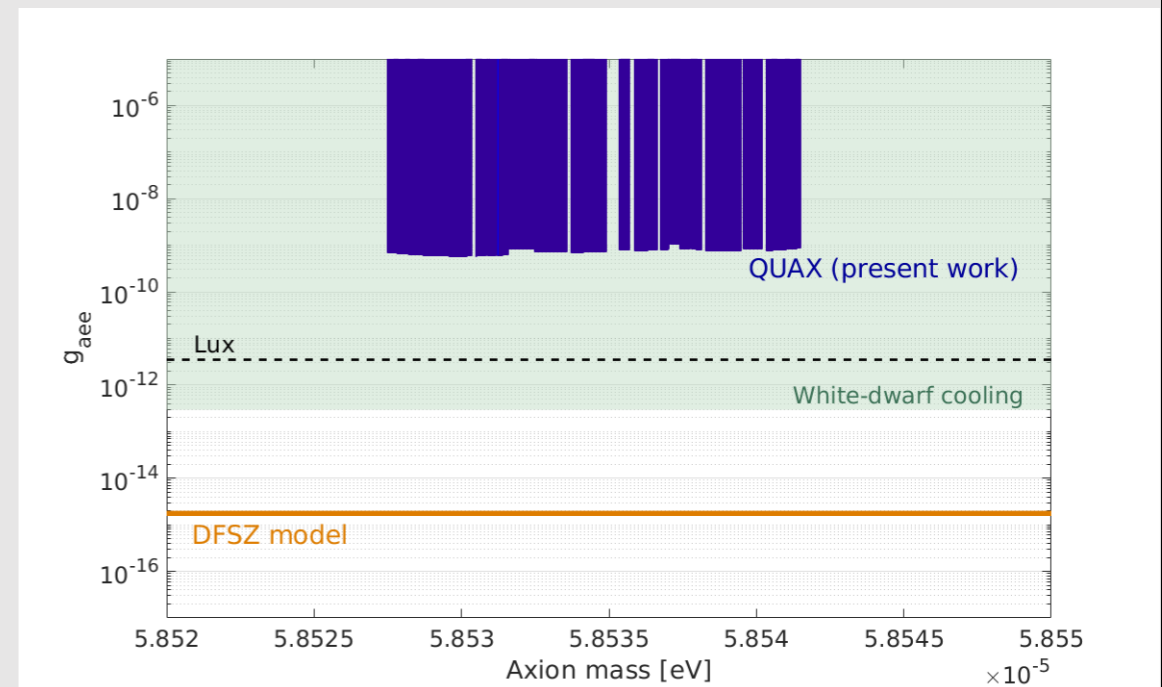
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QUAX: latest results / perspectives

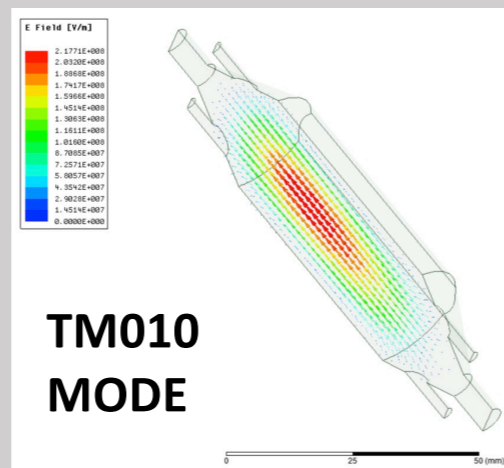
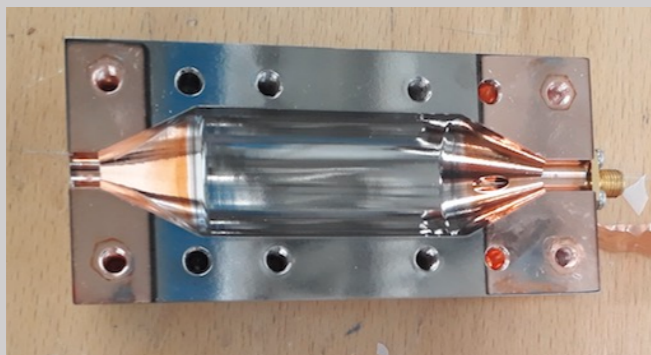
First limits of axion electron coupling from a dark matter haloscope

$$g_{aee} > \frac{e}{\pi m_a v_a} \sqrt{\frac{2\sigma'_P}{\mu_B \gamma n_a n_s V_s \tau_+}}$$

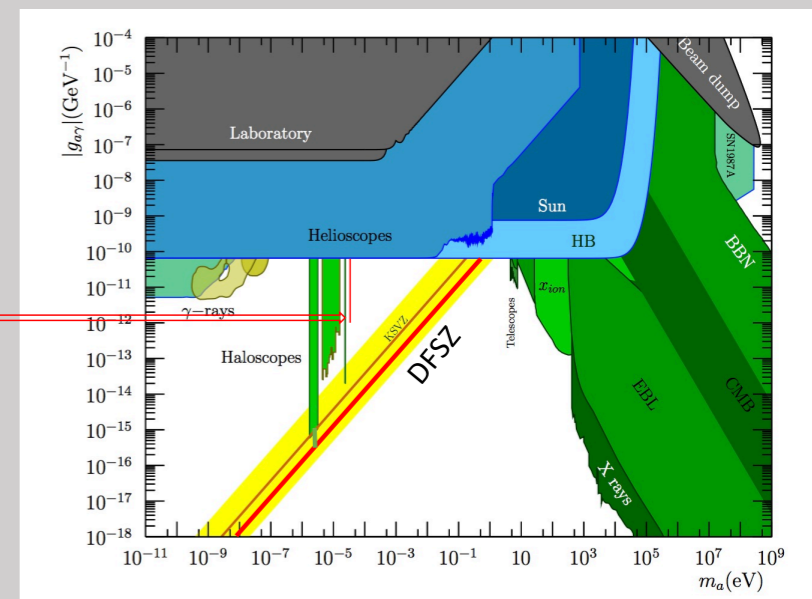
R & D in progress to define a complete apparatus



QUAX can operate in Primakoff mode too!
Use a different resonant mode.



Preliminary point



In the next 2-3 years possibility to reach cosmological sensitivity in the 30 μeV mass range for QUAX

Another proposal called KLASH is exploring the possibility of studying the 0.2 μeV range

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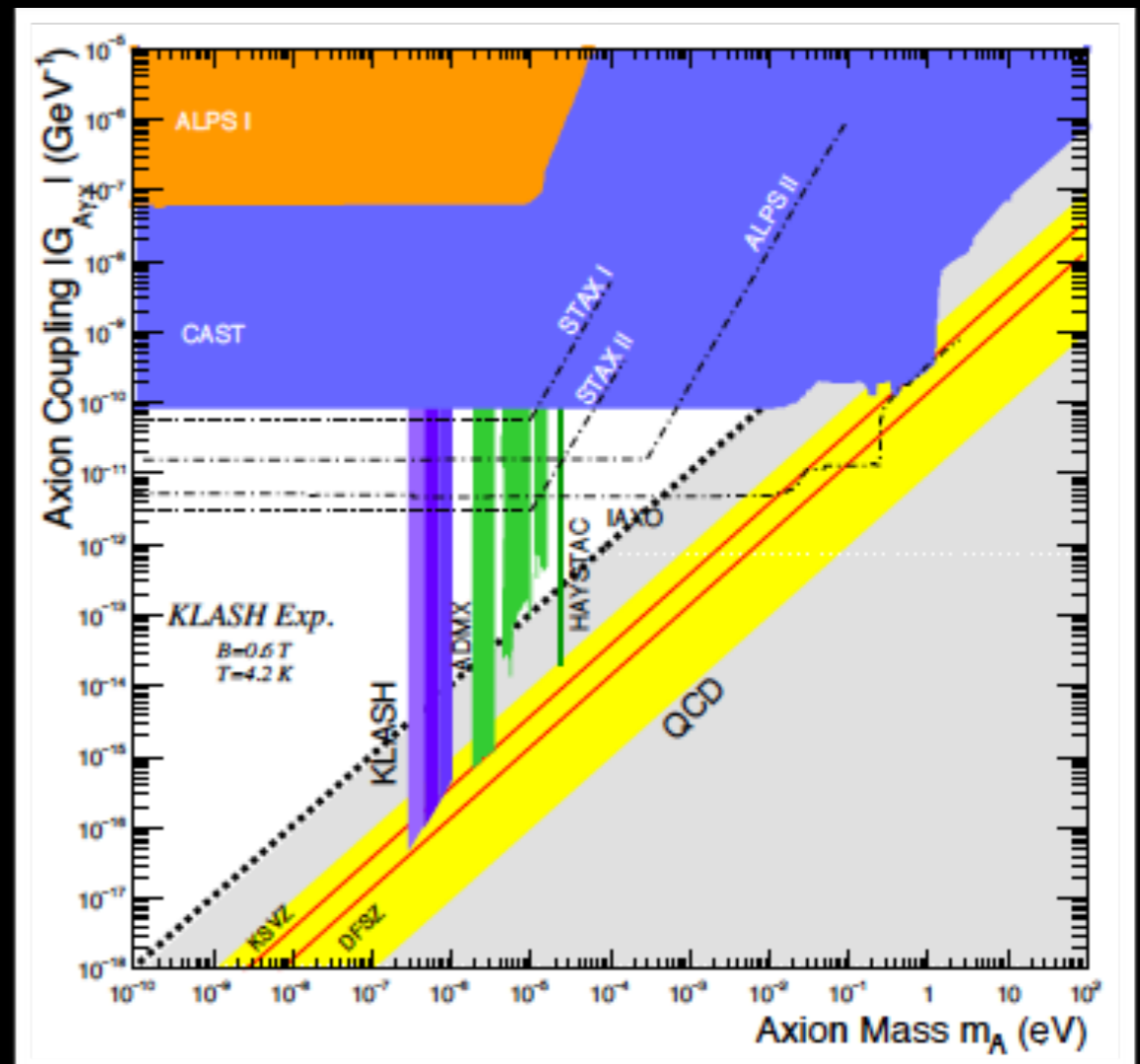
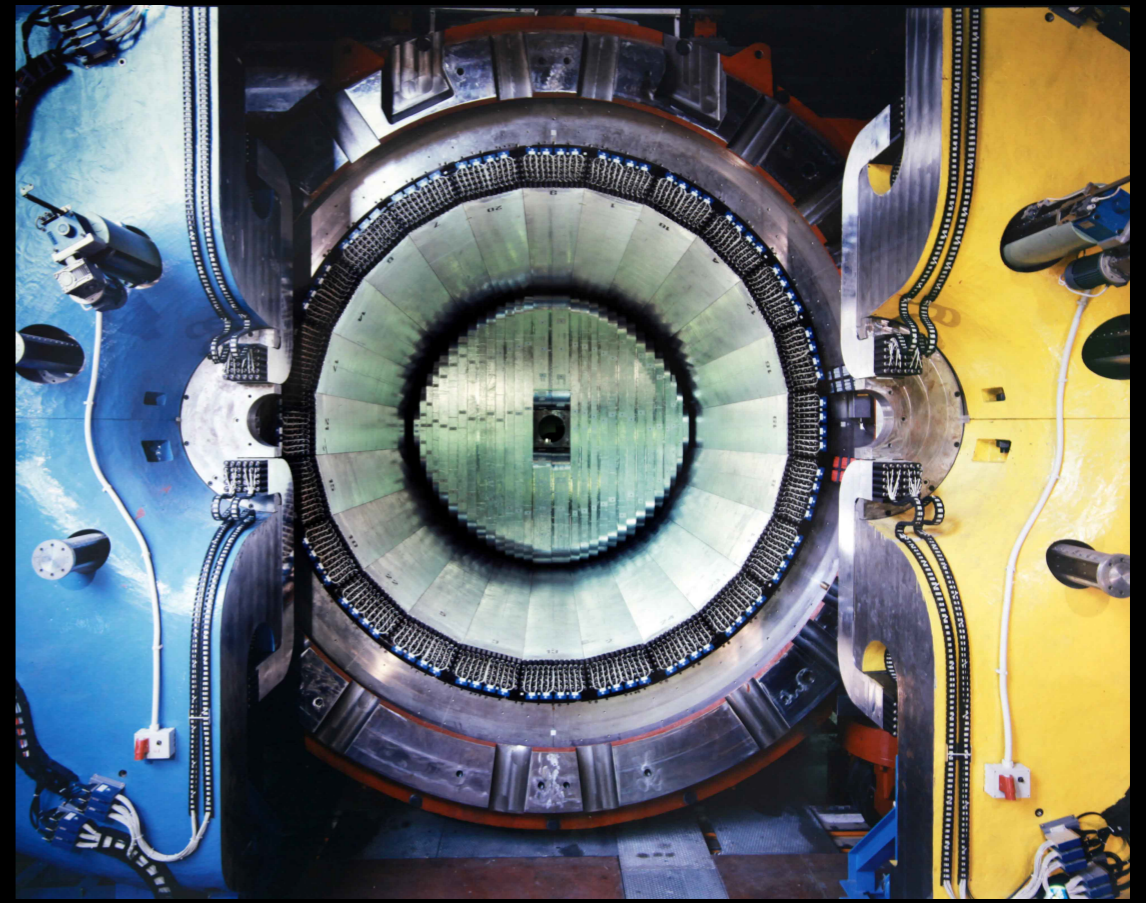
THE KLASH

AXION CALLING

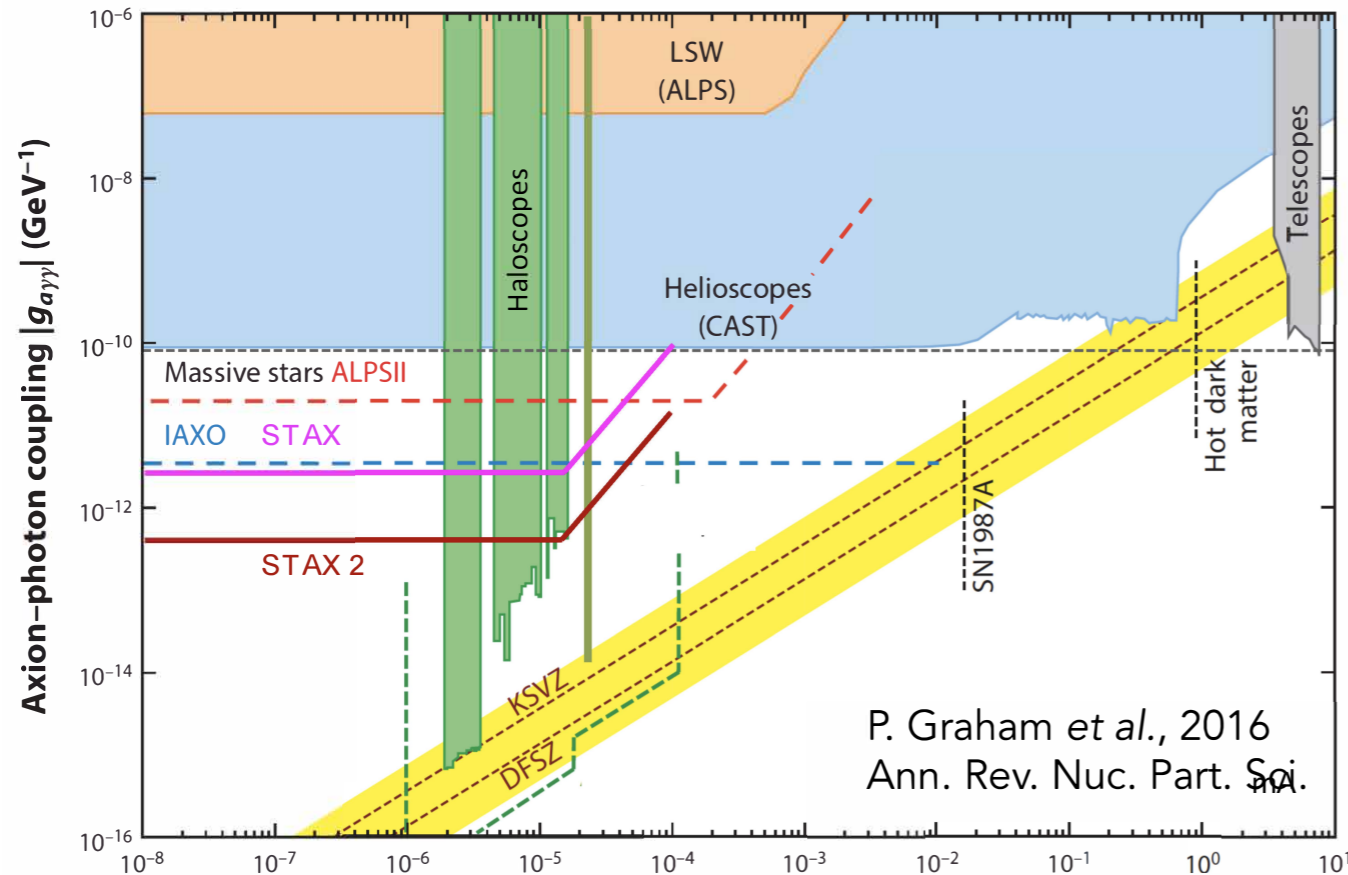
(... AND I LIVE BY THE RIVER)

- ❖ KLoe magnet for Axions Search
 - ❖ arXiv:1707.06010 (Alesini, Babusci, Di Gioacchino, Gatti, Lamanna, Ligi)
 - ❖ Draft LOI submitted to CSN2
- ❖ **Proposal of a large Haloscope @ LNF**
- ❖ Search of galactic axions in the mass range 0.3-1 μeV
- ❖ Large volume RF Cavity (35 m^3)
- ❖ Moderate magnetic field (0.6 T)
- ❖ Copper rf cavity $Q \sim 600,000$
- ❖ T 4.2 K

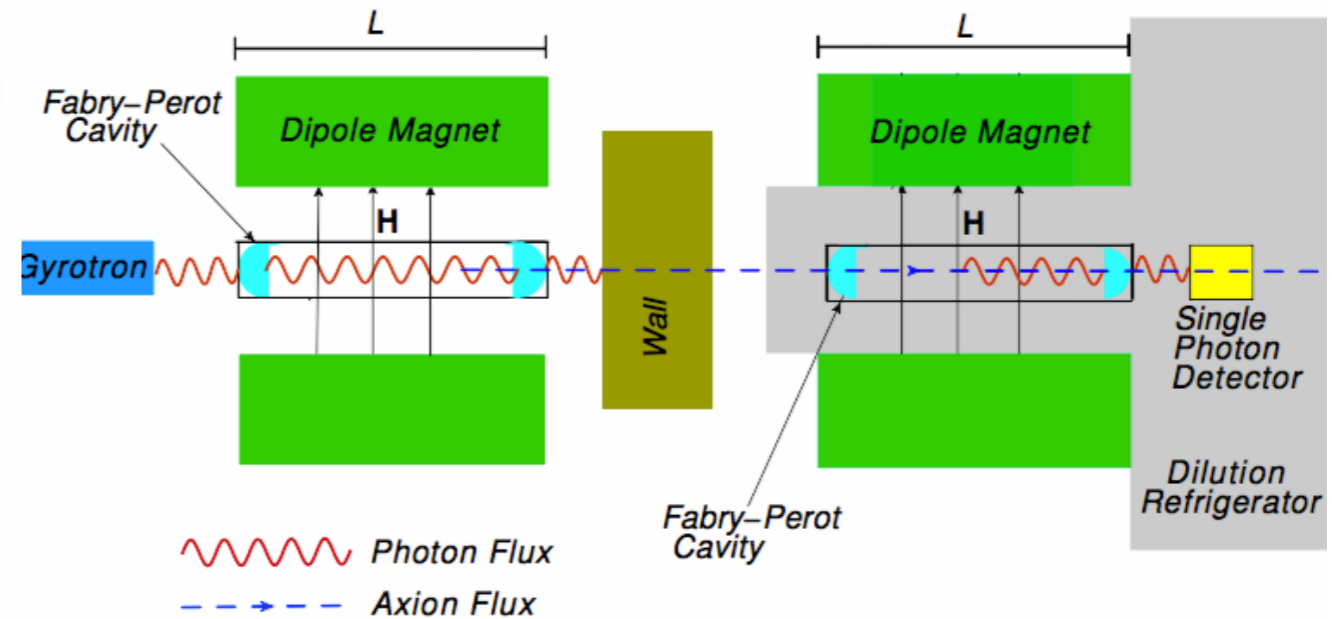
If KLOE magnet used for DUNE Near Detector:
→FLASH: Finuda magnet for Light Axion Search



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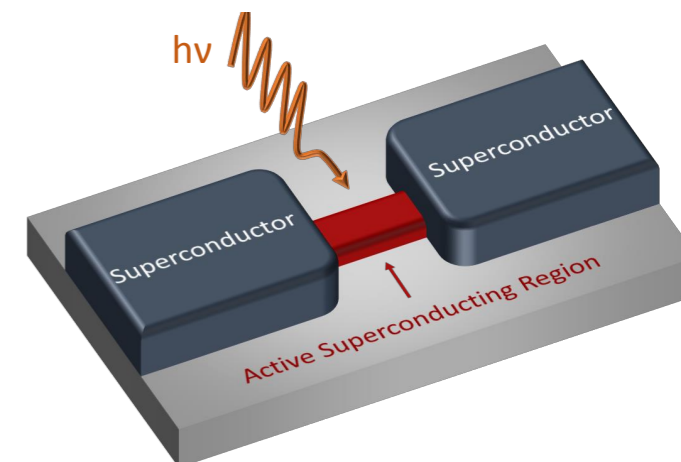


STAX proposal: optimisation of the LSW experiments for Axion Search



$$\dot{N}_{\text{evts}} \propto \dot{N}_{\gamma} P_{\gamma \rightarrow a} \times P_{a \rightarrow \gamma} \sim \dot{N}_{\gamma} G^4 H^4 L^4$$

- Magnetic field: $H = 11\text{T}$, $L = 1.5\text{ m}$
- Source: gyrotron; $P \approx 100\text{ kW}$, $\Phi_{\gamma} = 10^{27}\text{ s}^{-1}$, $\varepsilon_{\gamma} = 120\text{ }\mu\text{eV}$ ($\nu \approx 30\text{ GHz}$)
- Fabry-Perot cavity: finesse $Q \approx 10^4$
- Sub-THz single-photon detection based on TES technology, $\eta \approx 1$
- Possible second FP cavity behind the wall to enhance axion-photon conversion rate
P. Sikivie, D.B. Tanner and K. Van Bibber, Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 172002 (2007)

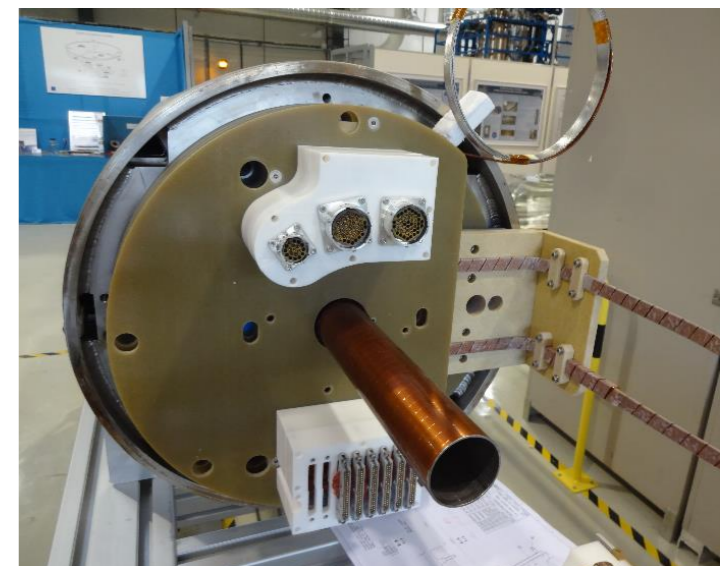
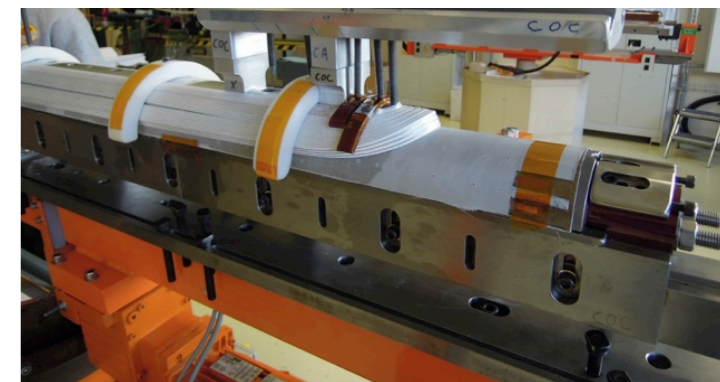
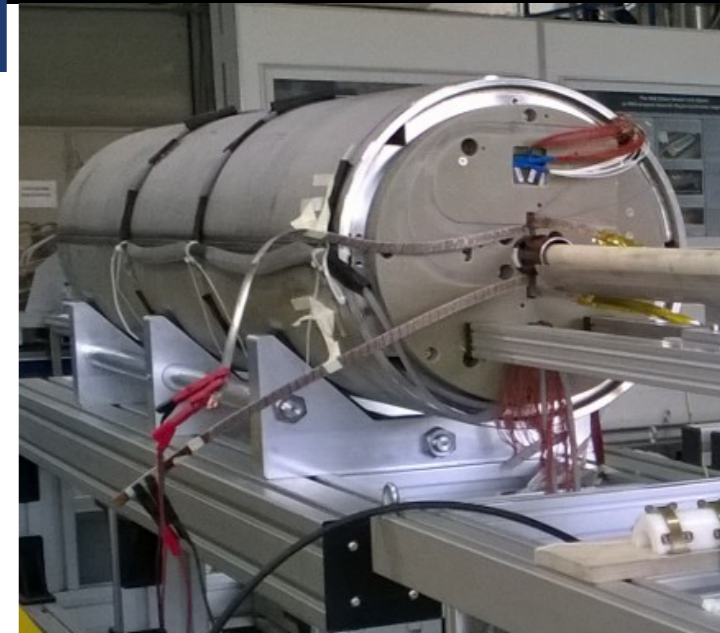
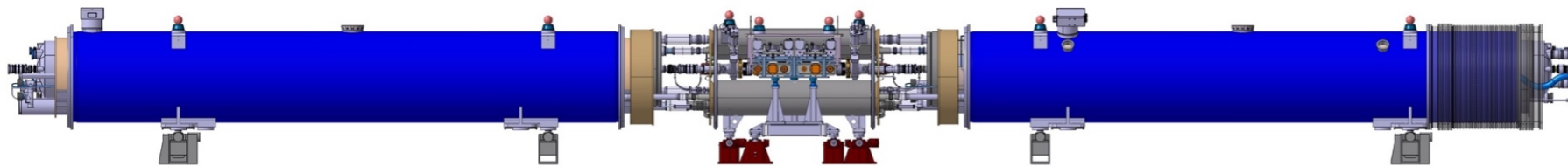
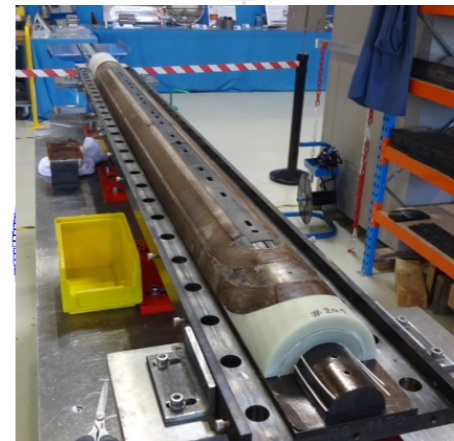
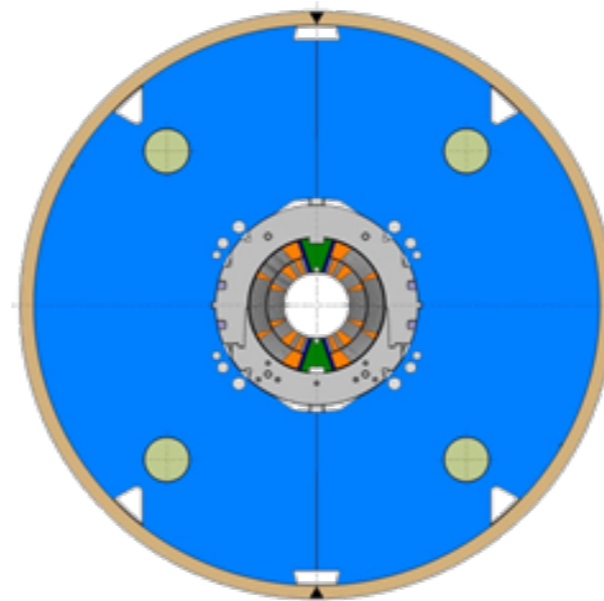


LIGHT SHINING THROUGH A WALL

P.SPAGNOLO

11T dipole magnet

- The HL-LHC Project implies beams of larger intensity
 - Additional collimators are needed
- Two collimators to be installed on either side of interaction point 7
 - Replace a standard Main Dipole by a pair of shorter 11 T Dipoles
- 5 single aperture short models fabricated and tested by CERN TE-MS-C team
 - Bore field ranging from 10 to 12 T
 - 60 mm coil aperture
 - ~1.5 m magnetic length



STAX project presented within the CERN Physics Beyond Collider document for the EU Strategy
Detector developed in collaboration with the CNR-nano and NEST Scuola Normale Pisa

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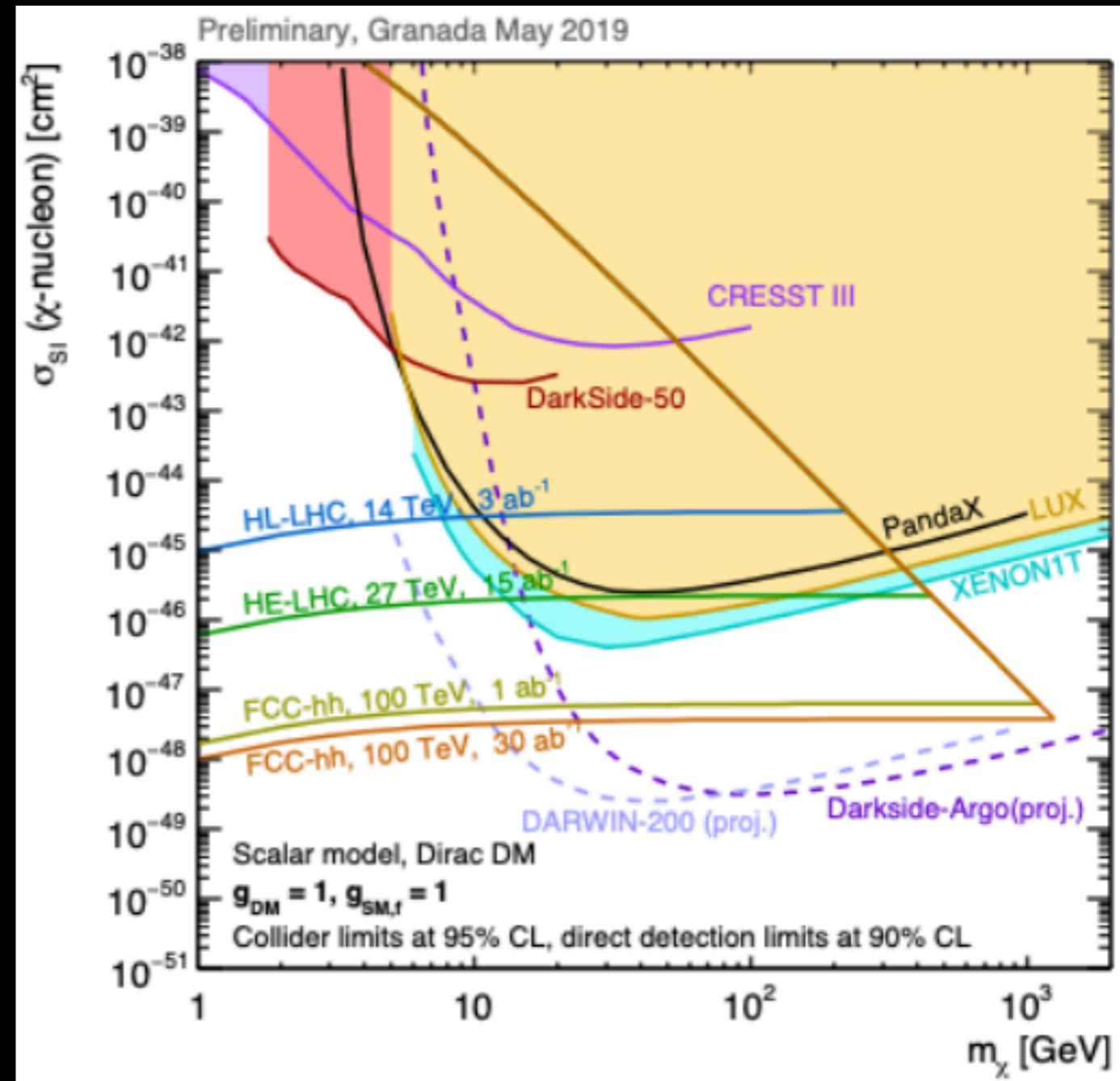
UNDERSTANDING THE NATURE OF DARK MATTER

Complementarity

- ❖ Collider experiments probe the sub-TeV range for WIMPs. But, if WIMPs are discovered by the LHC, an astrophysical detection will be necessary to connect the produced particles with the cosmic dark matter.
- ❖ For WIMP masses at multi-TeV, only direct and indirect detection methods have significant discovery potential.

→ Common strategic planning of future research

- maximize the combined DM search potential



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Overlapping areas of research

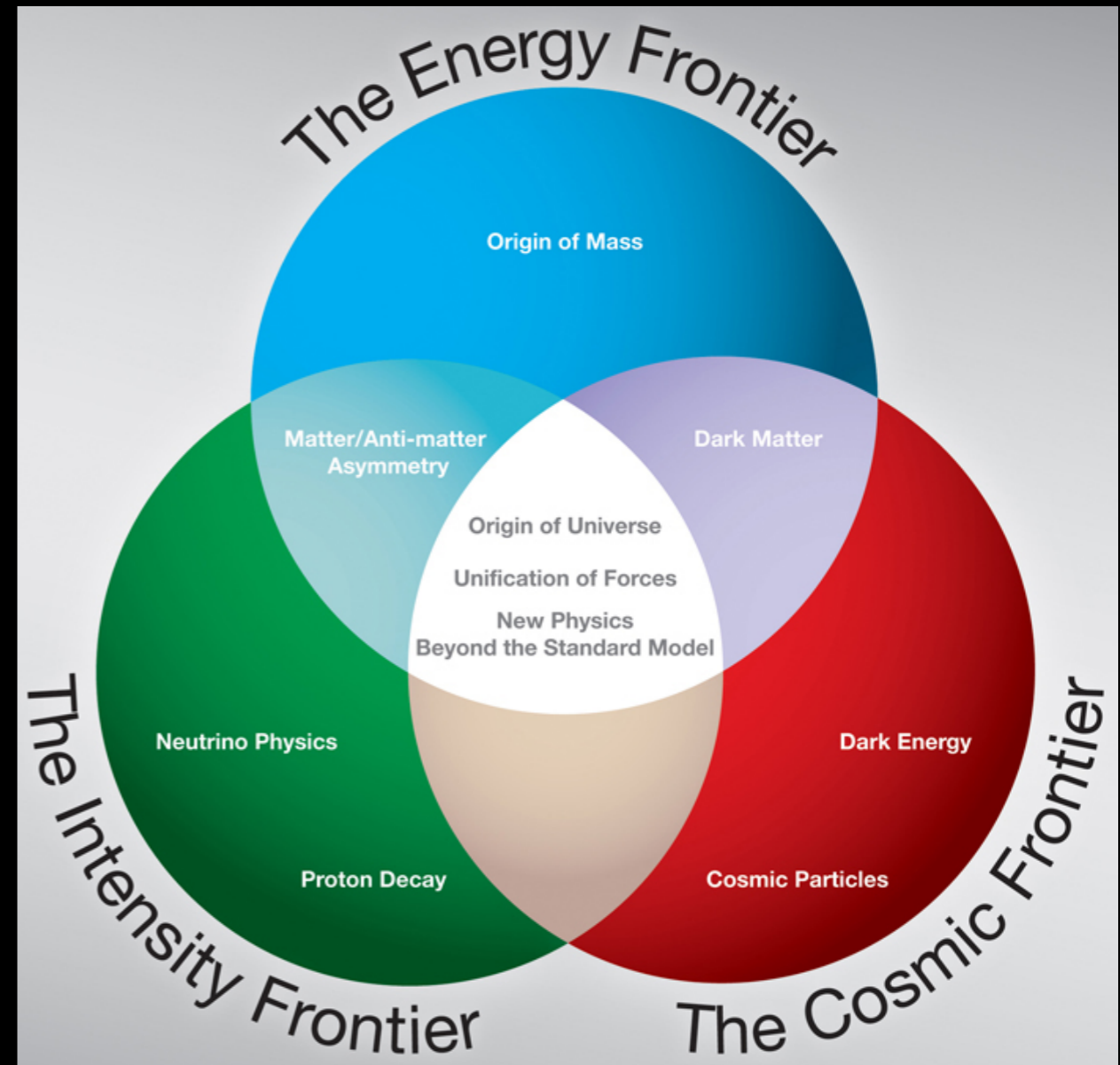
- ❖ Need a coordinate effort within Particle Physics community
- ❖ See for instance US Particle Physics Project Prioritization Panel (P5):
 - ▶ Cosmic, Energy and Intensity Frontiers, on equal grounds within the larger field of particle physics

Technology

- ❖ Magnets, Superconductors, Radiofrequency cavities techniques
- ❖ Vacuum & Cryogenics
- ❖ LAr detectors
- ❖ SiPM + electronics

Diversification strategy

- ❖ An example: CERN/Fermilab joint LAr programme for neutrino physics
 - ▶ Technology + physics reach



SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- ❖ A new era in the search for dark matter: need to explore DM everywhere
- ❖ WIMP still main paradigm → reach ν floor
- ❖ Light DM probed via scattering to 1 MeV (and via absorption to \sim eV), and possibly much lower
- ❖ *Ultra Light DM: a wealth of dedicated initiatives search for WISP dark matter covering $>$ 10 orders of magnitude in mass*