

# Recent status and prospects of CDEX @CJPL

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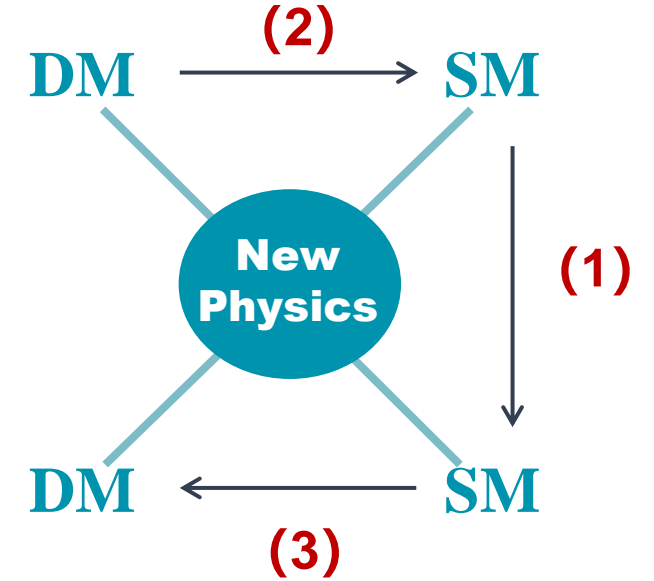
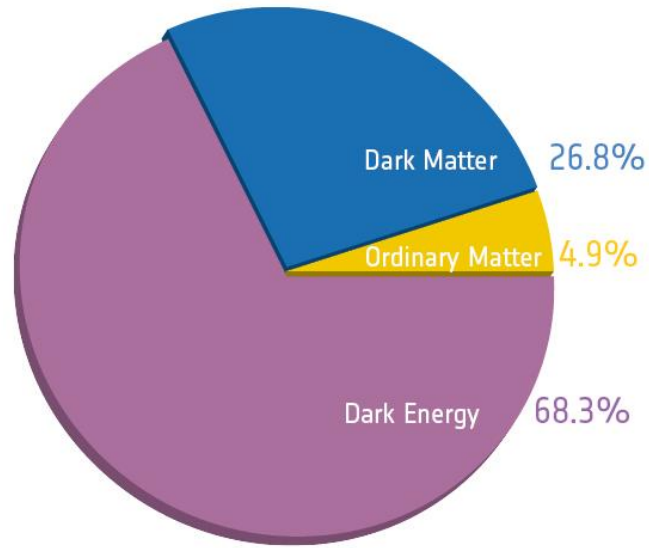
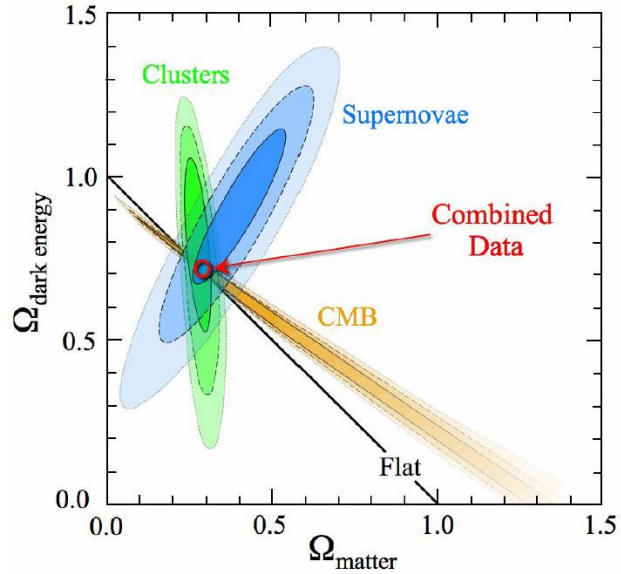
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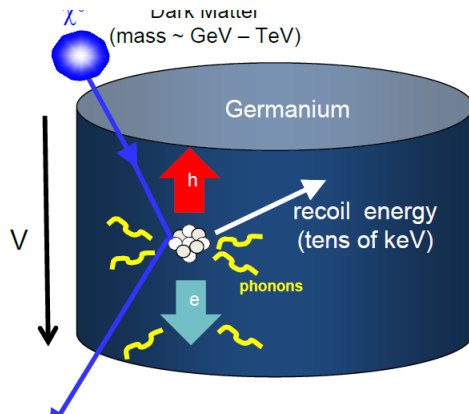


- Direct detection of Dark Matter
- Introduction to CDEX
- Recent status of CDEX-1 and CDEX-10
- Future prospect of CDEX@CJPL-II, R&D of key technologies
- Summary

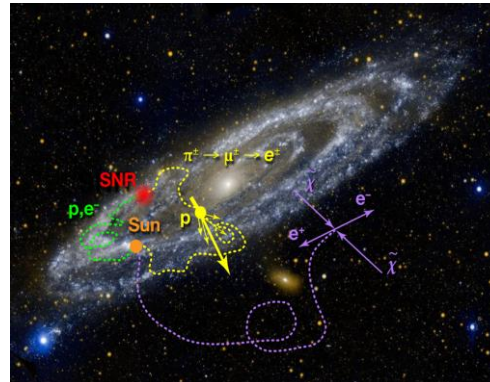
# Dark Matter in Cosmology



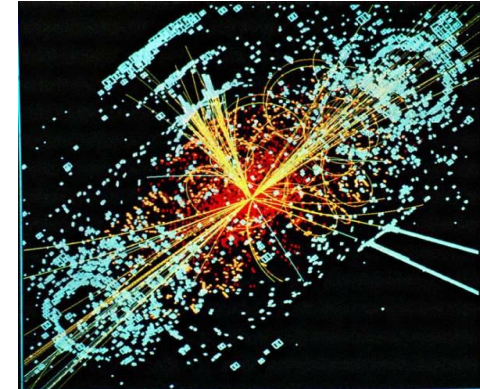
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(2) Indirect



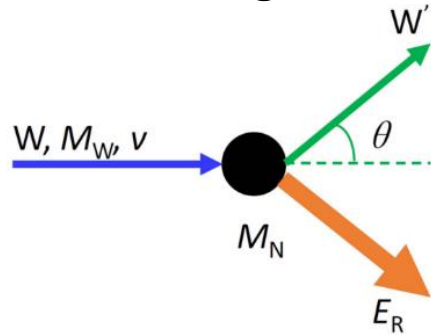
(3) Accelerator



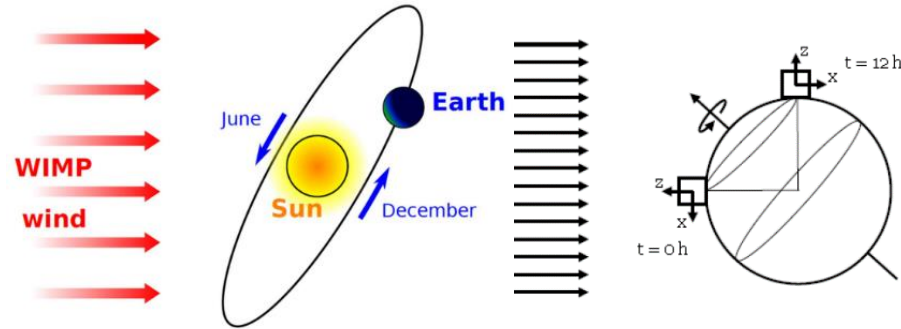
# Direct detection of DM



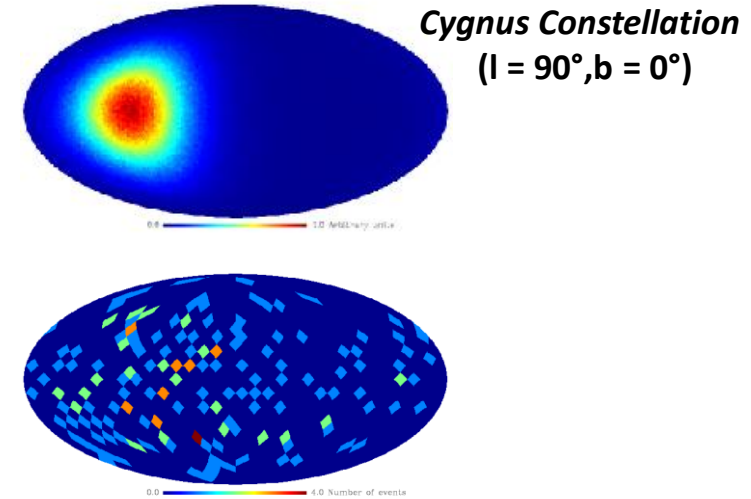
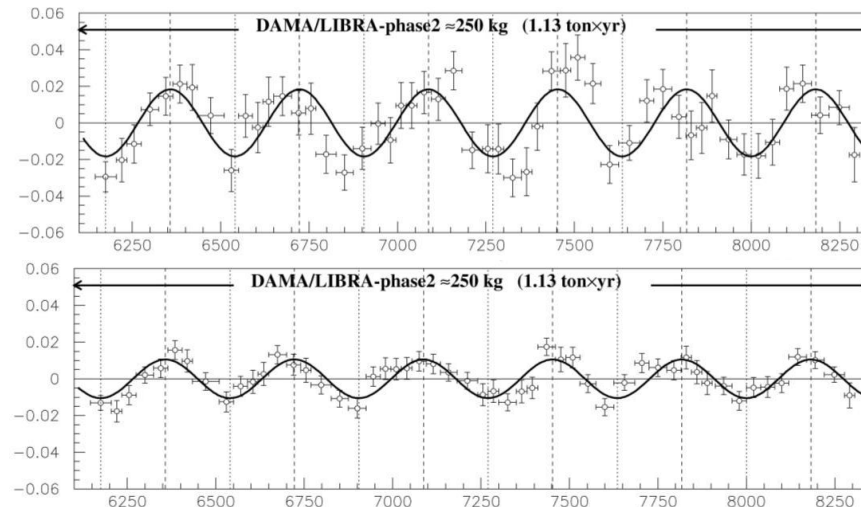
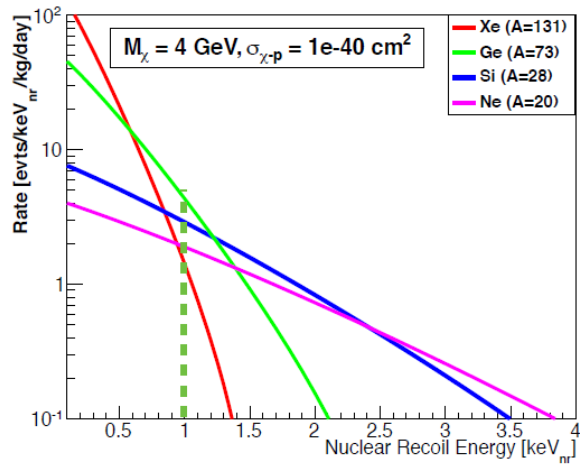
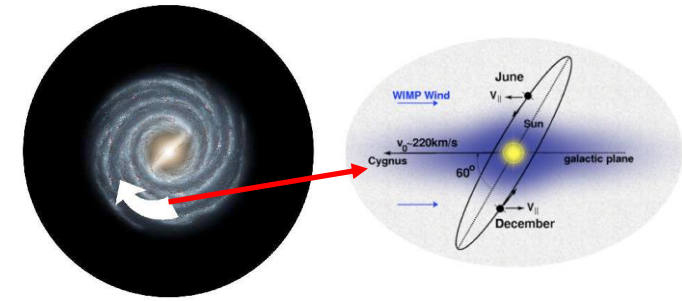
## Elastic Scattering



## Annual/ Diurnal Modulation



## Direction Detection



- Lower Background
- Lower Energy threshold
- Larger Exposure (Mass\*Time)

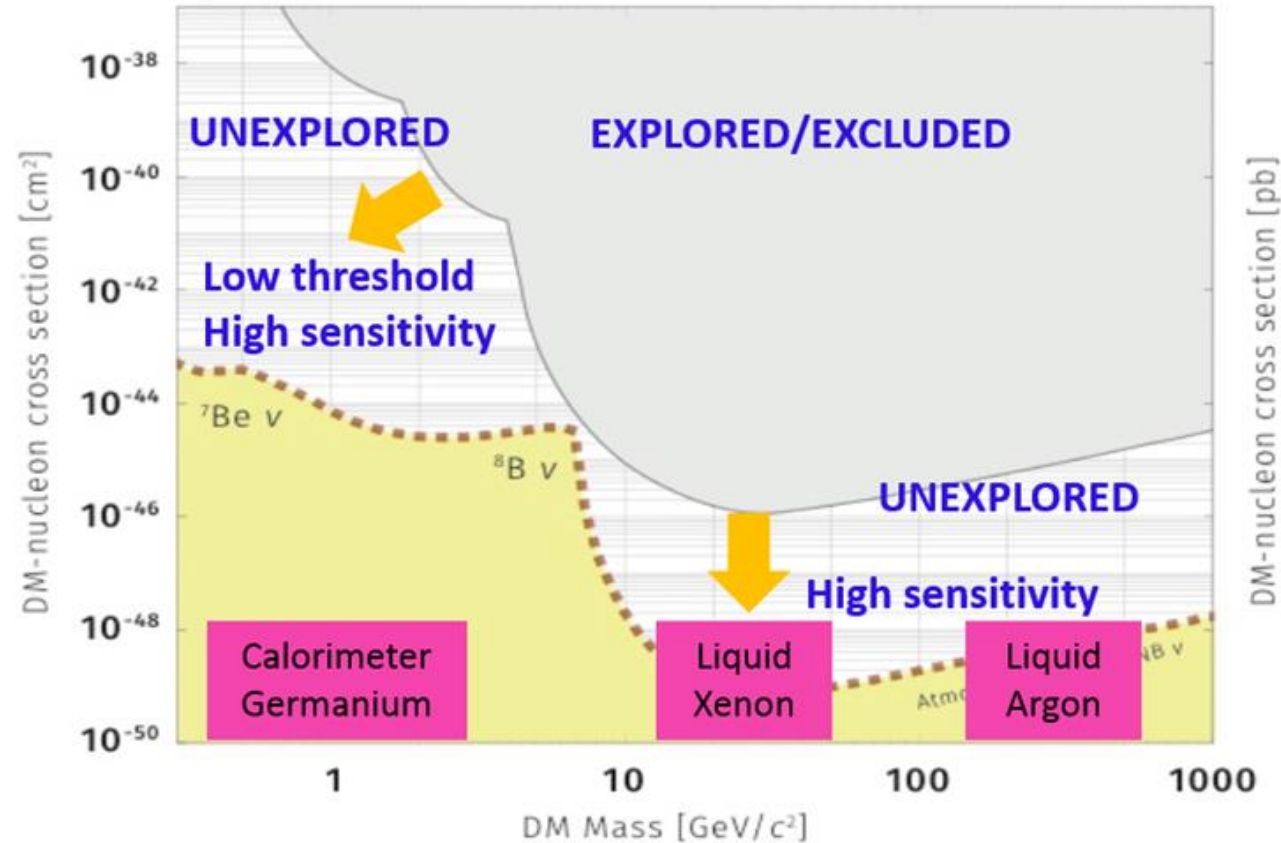
- Lower Background
- Lower Energy threshold
- Long-time stability

- Lower Background
- Lower Energy threshold
- Good Angular Resolution

# Direct detection of DM



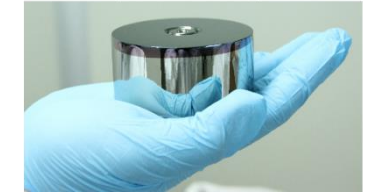
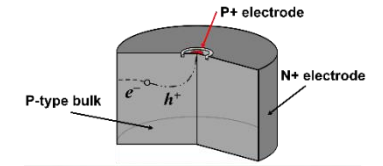
- Dark matter detection competition is becoming increasingly fierce;
- **Light dark matter detection:** low background level, low energy threshold, large mass detector target



# China Dark matter Experiment



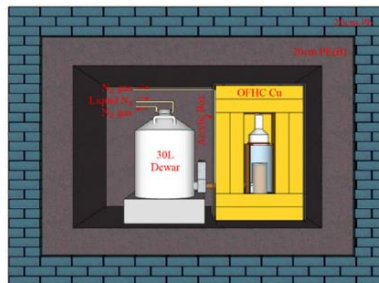
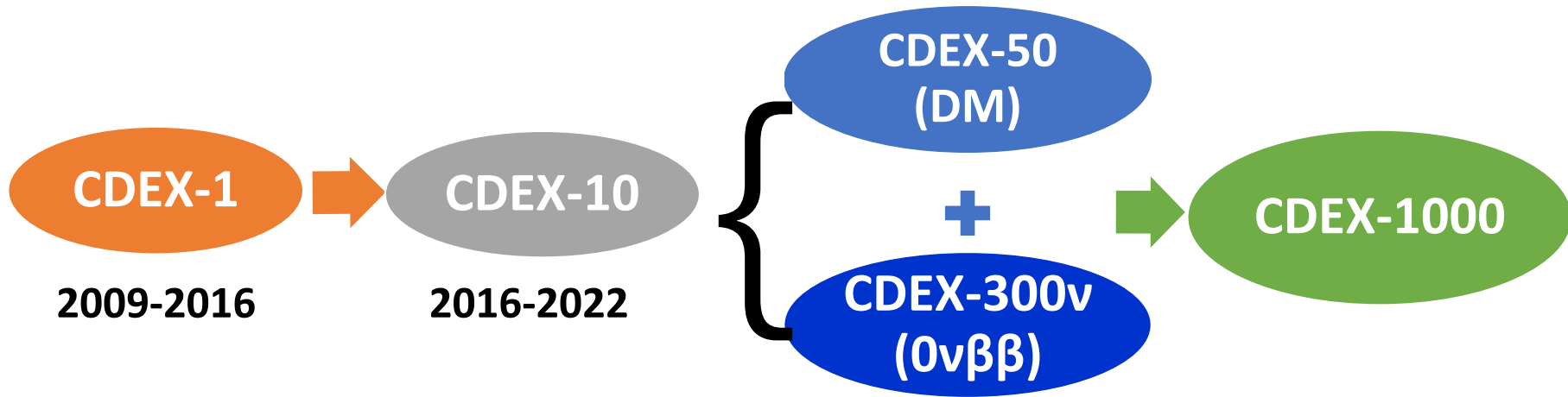
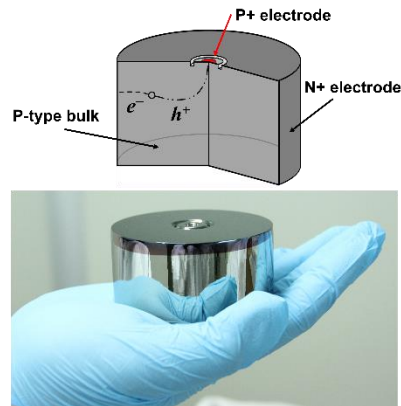
- Formed in 2009, 11 institutions and ~100 people now; <http://cdex.ep.tsinghua.edu.cn/>
- **Key technology:** P-type Point-Contact (PPC) Ge detectors;
- **Physics targets:** Direct detection of light DM + Ge-76  $0\nu\beta\beta$



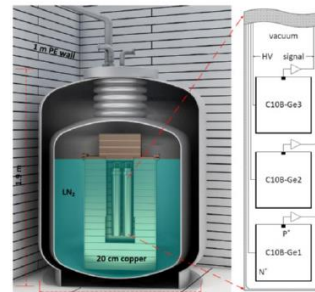
# CDEX Roadmap



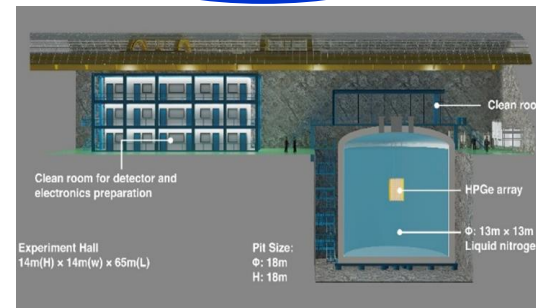
- **CDEX-1 (2009-2016):** Development of **PPC Ge detector**, bkg understanding
- **CDEX-10 (2016-2022):** Performances of **Ge array detector immersed in LN<sub>2</sub>**
- **CDEX-50 (2021-202X):** **50kg Ge** detector arrays for **DM searches**
- **CDEX-300v (2021-202X):** **300kg enriched Ge** detector arrays for **0νββ Exp.**



CDEX-1A&B: 1kg PPC Ge×2



CDEX-10: ~10kg PPC Ge array

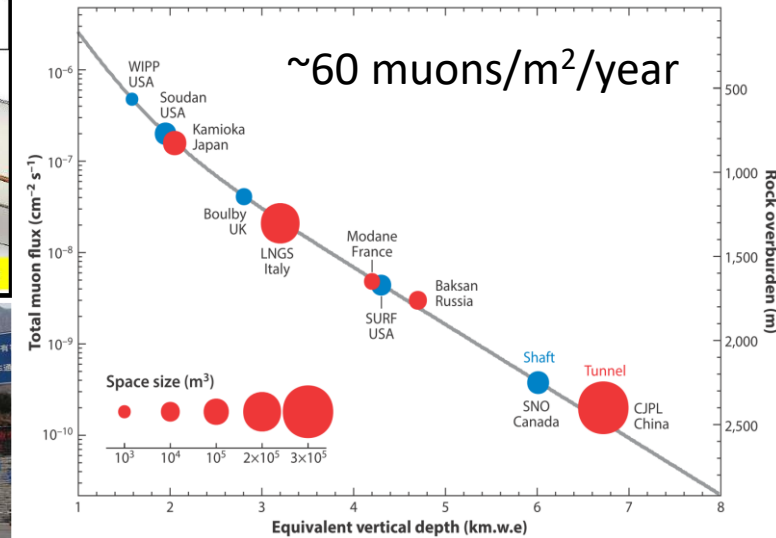
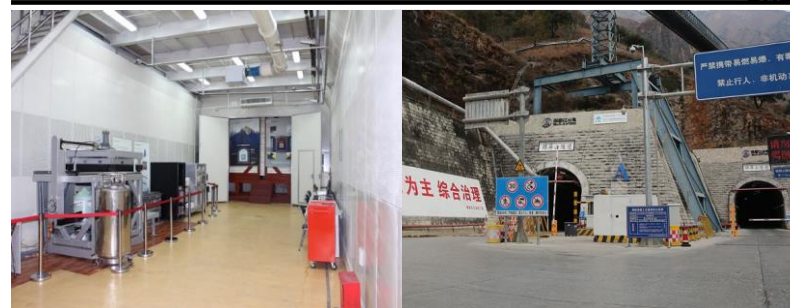
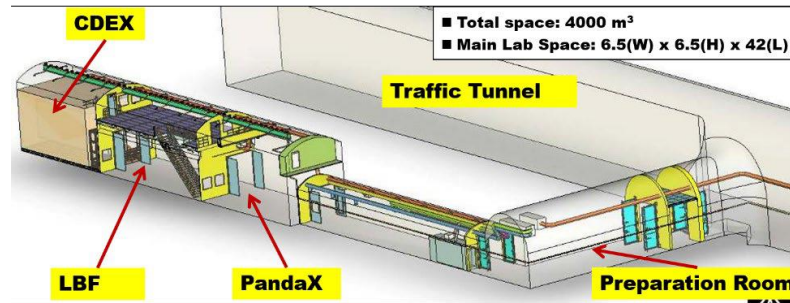
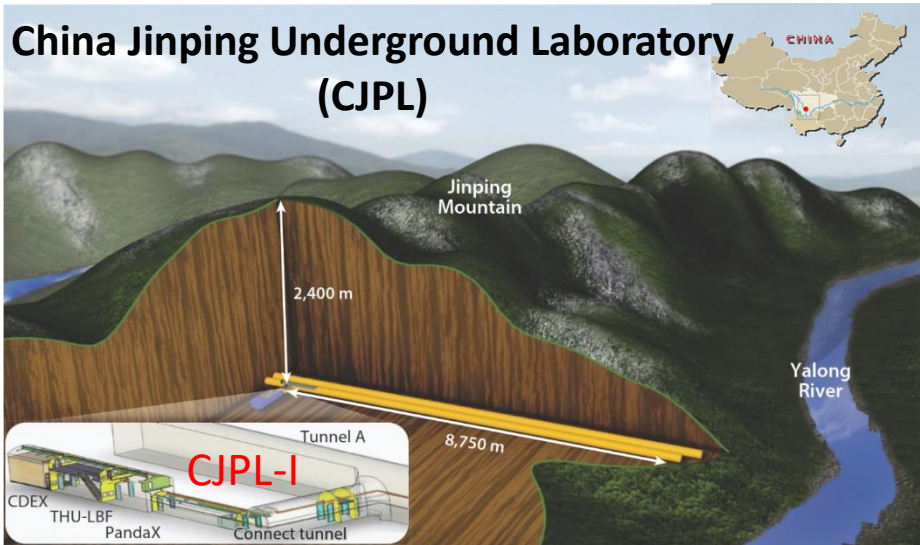
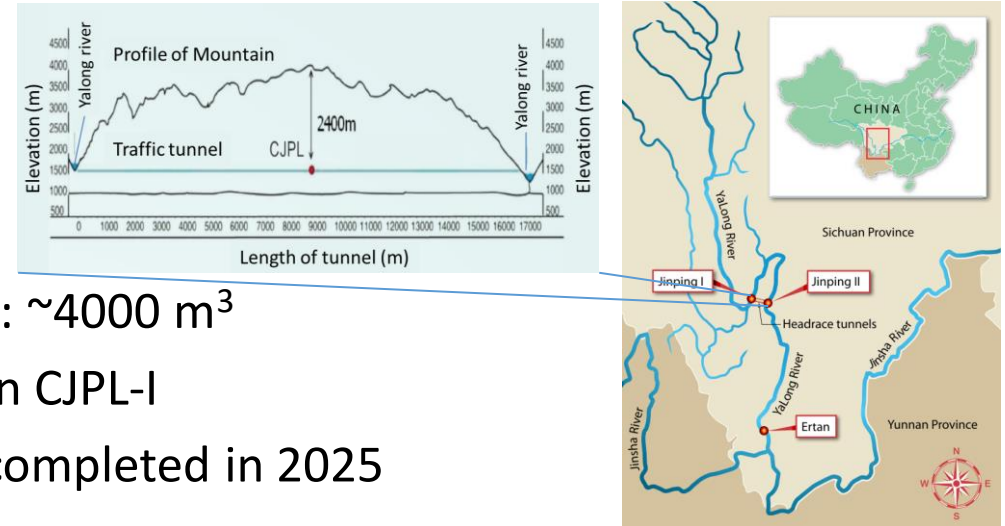


# China Jinping Underground Laboratory



- World's deepest underground lab, CJPL

- ✓ Near Xichang city, Sichuan Province, Southwest China
- ✓ Rock overburden: 2400m (~6720 m. w. e.)
- ✓ CJPL-I Main Hall: 6.5m(W) x 6.5m(H) x 42m(L), Total space: ~4000 m<sup>3</sup>
- ✓ Two DM exp. (CDEX, PandaX)+LBF(radio-assay) operated in CJPL-I
- ✓ Extension project, CJPL-II, final exam and expected to be completed in 2025

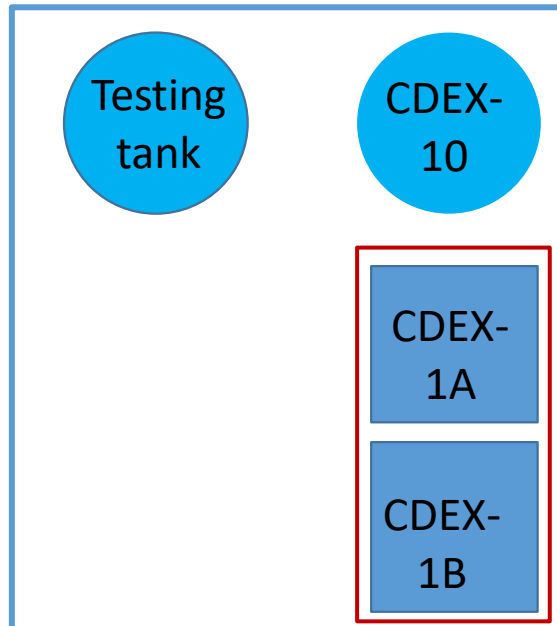
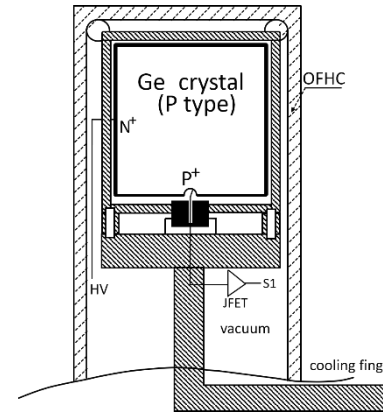




# CDEX-1



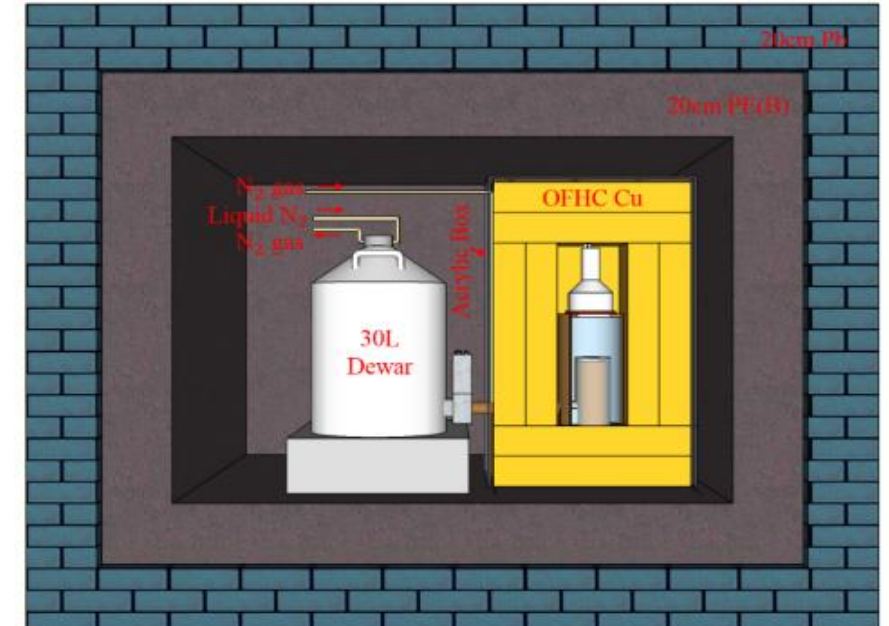
- Two single-element 1kg pPCGe detectors;
- Traditional cold finger refrigeration;
- Passive shield: Low-bkg Pb, OFHC Cu, PE;
- NaI(Tl) anti-Compton detector;
- Located in PE room at CJPL-I;



Layout of PE room, CJPL-I



CDEX-1 inside PE room



CDEX-1A&B: 1kg PPC Ge $\times$ 2

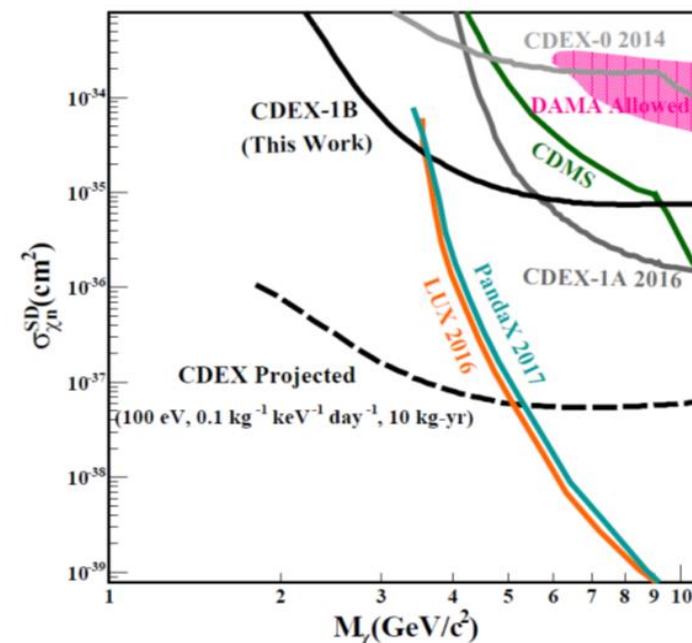
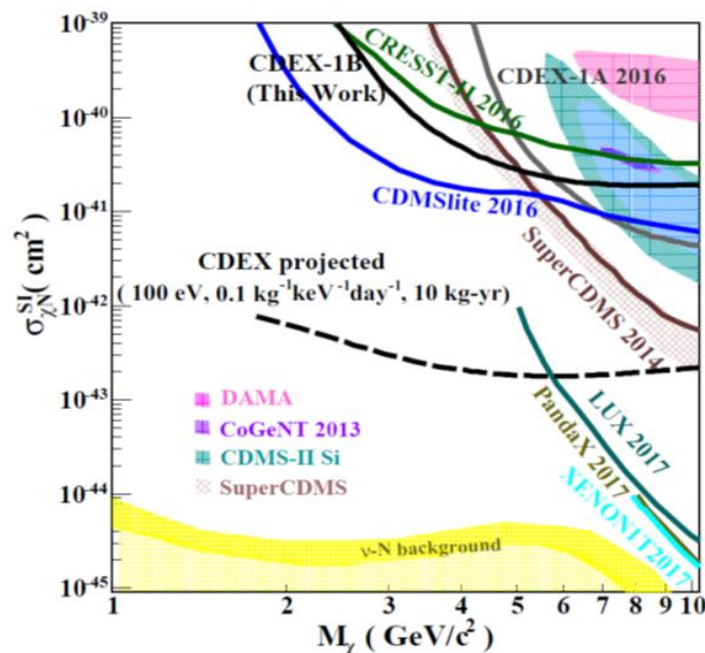
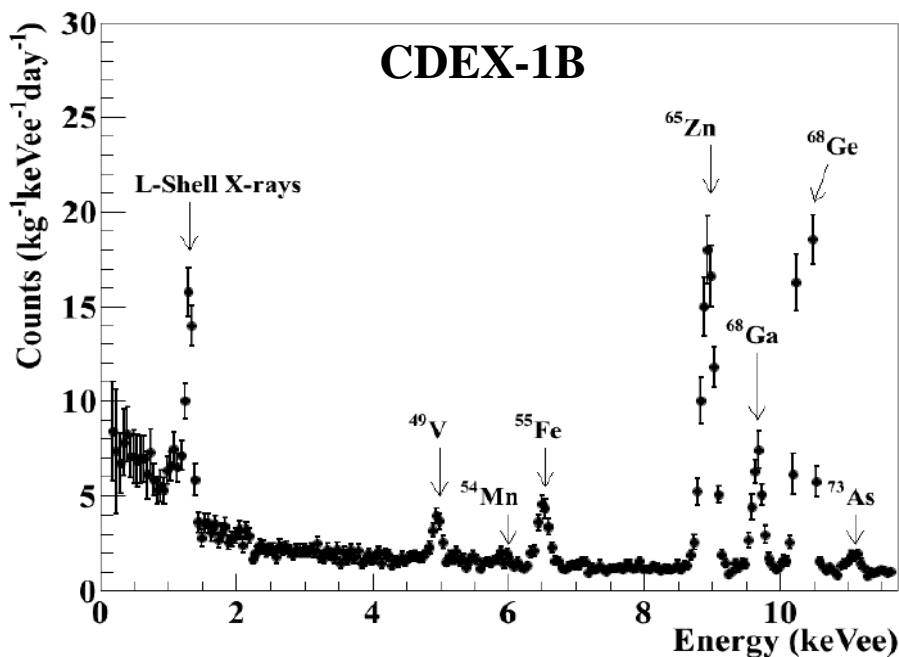
# CDEX-1B Results



- Detector upgraded w/ lower JEFT noise and material bkg;
- >4 years run (Run-1&Run-2), >1200 kg·day exposure;
- Achieving 160 eVee energy threshold;
- Sensitivity improved and extending to 2 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>.

| Detector | FWHM of pulser |
|----------|----------------|
| CDEX-1A  | 130 eVee       |
| CDEX-1B  | 80 eVee        |

Run-1 Time-integrated (TI) analysis: *Chinese Physics C* 42, 023002 (2018)

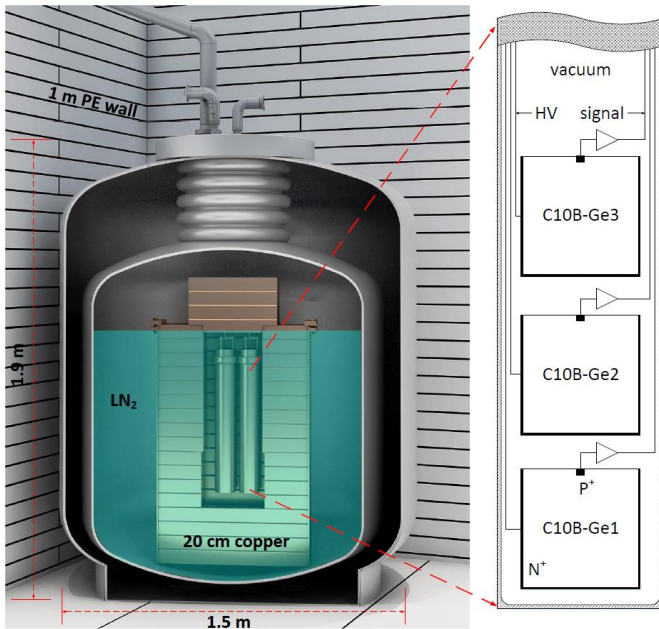


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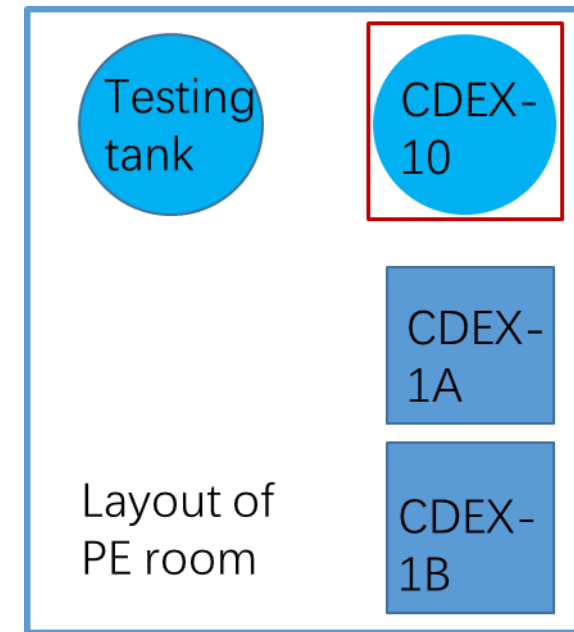


- Array detectors: 3 strings with 3 detectors each, ~10kg total;
- Direct immersion in LN<sub>2</sub>;
- Prototype system for future hundred-kg to ton scale experiment
  - ✓ Light/radio-purer LN<sub>2</sub> replacing heavy shield i.e. Pb/Cu;
  - ✓ Arraying technology to scalable capability;

*Science China-PMA 62, 031012 (2019)*



**CDEX-10: ~10kg PPC Ge array**

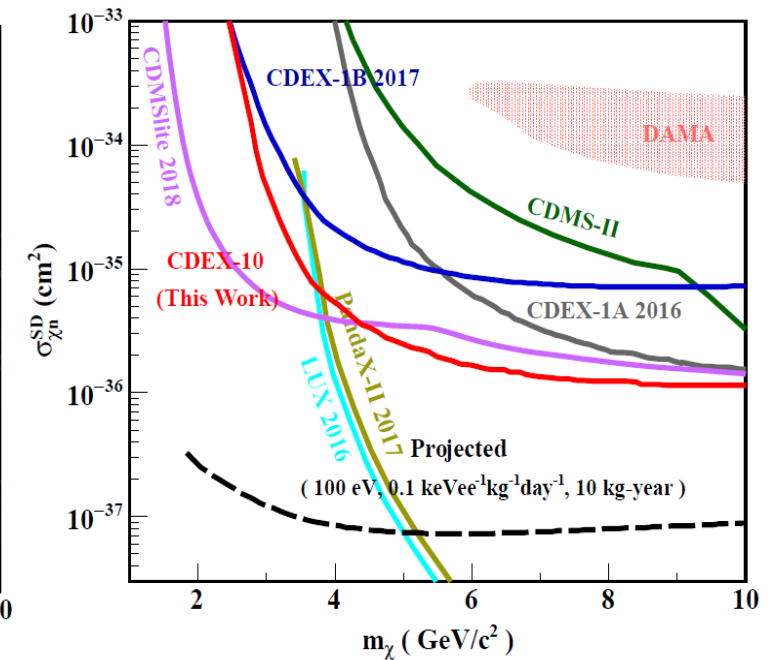
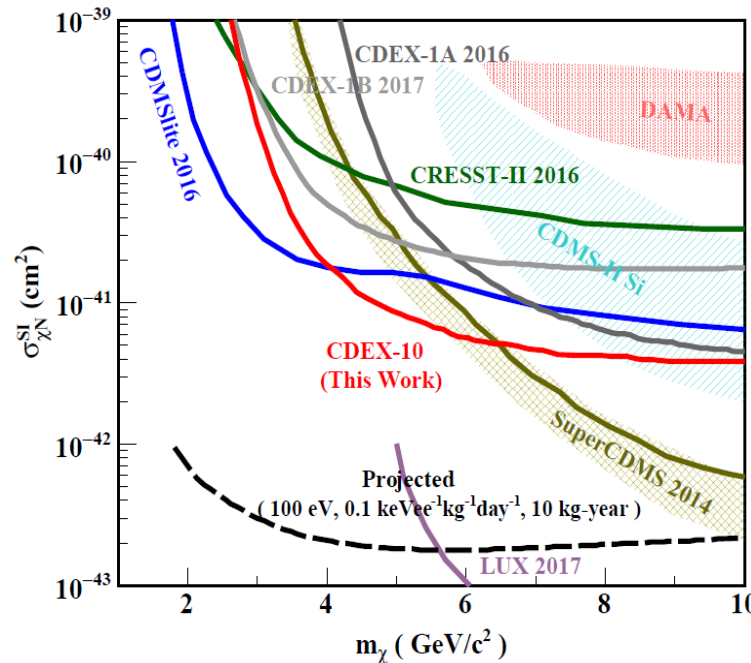
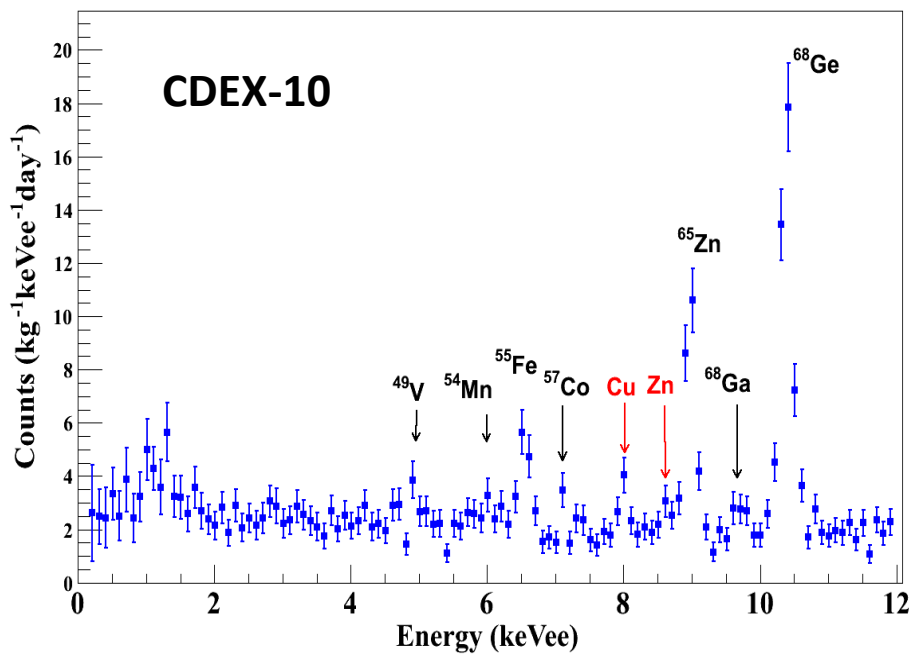


# CDEX-10 Results



- First results from 102.8 kg·day exposure w/ Eth 160 eVee;
- Bkg level:  $\sim 2$  cpkkd @ 2-4 keV;
- New SI limit on 4-5 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>;

*Phys. Rev. Lett.* 120, 241301 (2018)



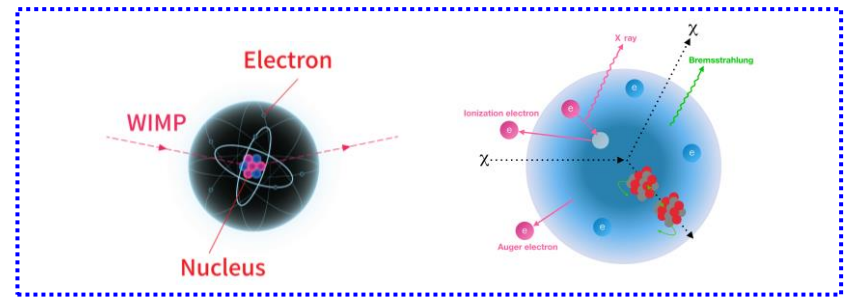
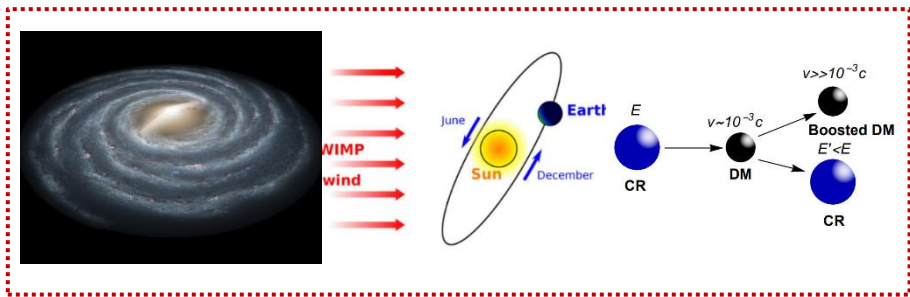
# Dark Matter Direct Detection



$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = N_T \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \int d^3\vec{v} v f_v(\vec{v} + \vec{v}_E) \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R}$$

- DM sources related:**
- ✓ WIMP (Standard Halo Model)
  - ✓ Annual Modulation (velocity change)
  - ✓ Boosted DM
  - ✓ Dark Photon, axions et al.

- Interaction process:**
- ✓ DM-nucleus elastic scattering
  - ✓ DM-nucleus inelastic scattering
  - ✓ DM-electron scattering
  - ✓ Others (All energy deposited)

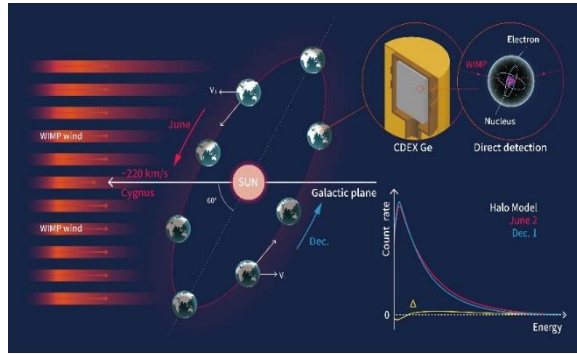


\*WIMP: weakly interaction massive particles

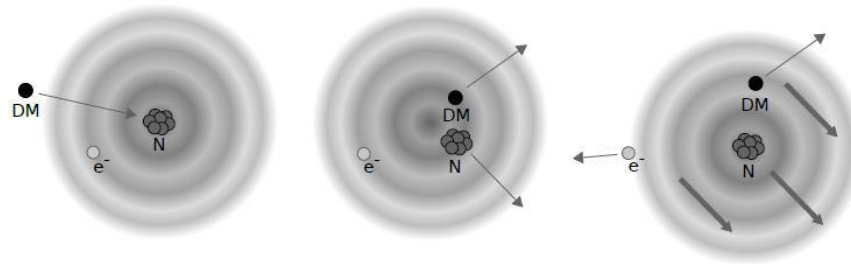
# More physics analysis



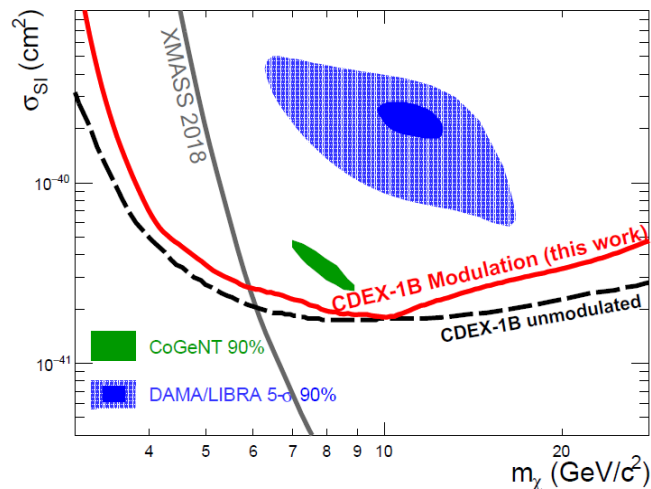
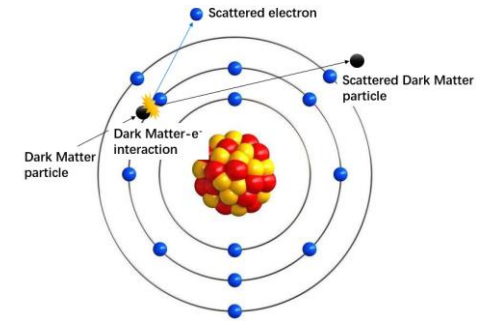
Annual Modulation +  
DM-nucleus elastic scattering



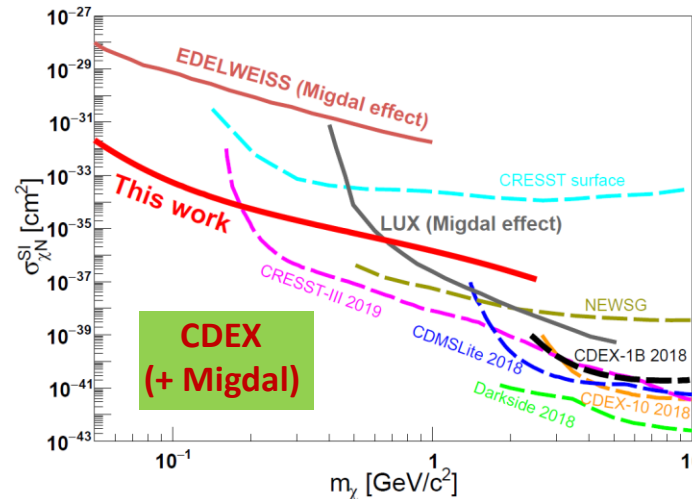
WIMP (Standard Halo Model) +  
Migdal effect



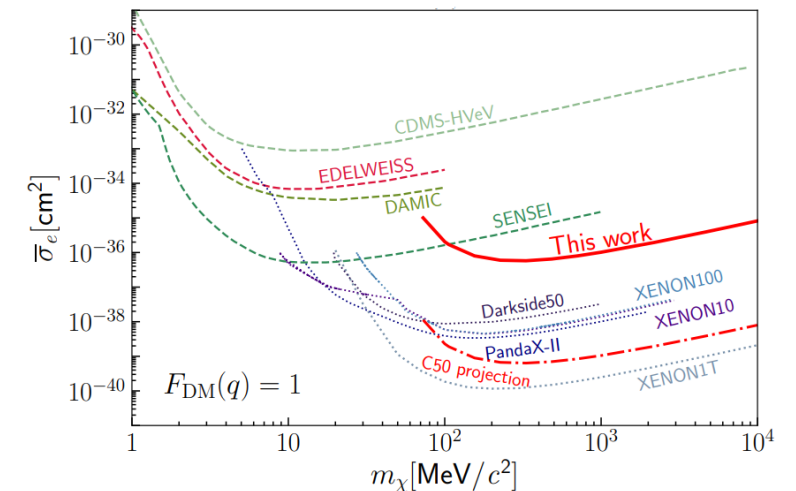
WIMP (Standard Halo Model) +  
DM–Electron Scattering



**PRL 123:221301 (2019)**



**PRL 123:161301 (2019)**

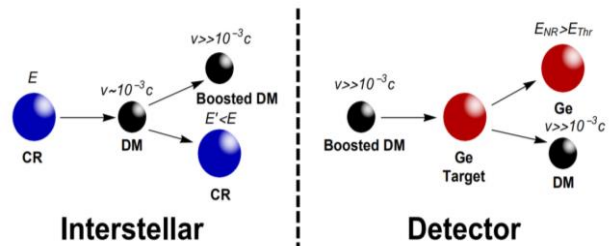


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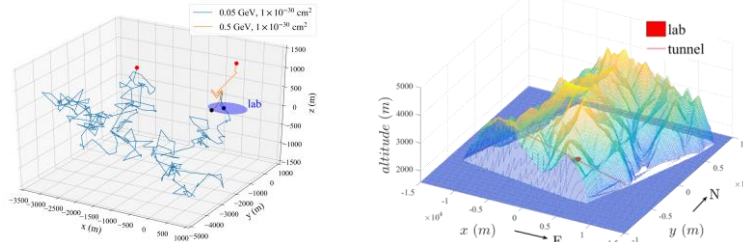


CR Boosted DM +  
DM-nucleus elastic scattering

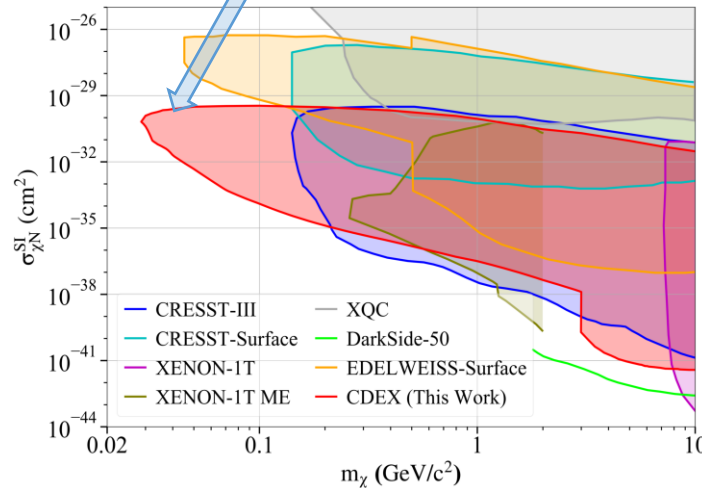


CRDM

WIMP (Standard Halo Model) +  
Earth shielding, Migdal effect

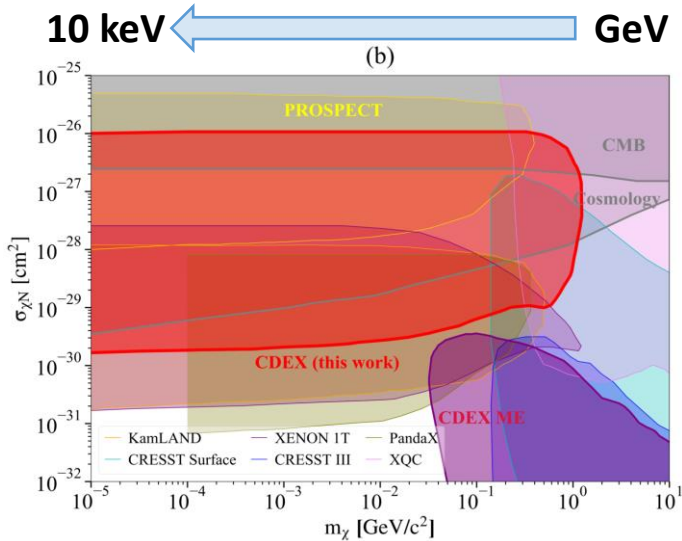
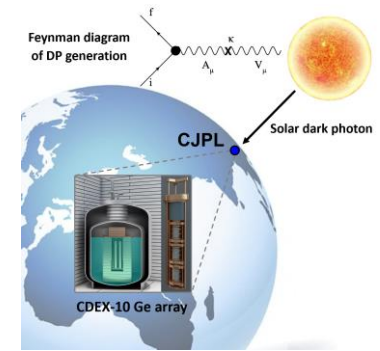


Earth shielding

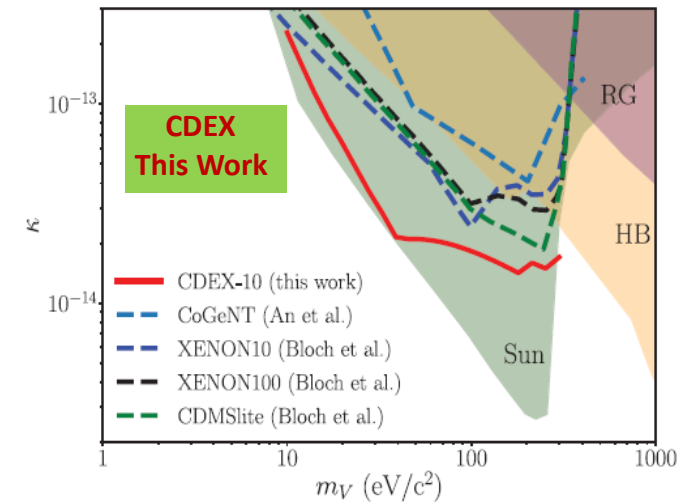


PRD 105:052005 (2022)

Solar dark photon +  
All energy deposited



PRD 106:052008 (2022)



PRL 124:111301 (2020)

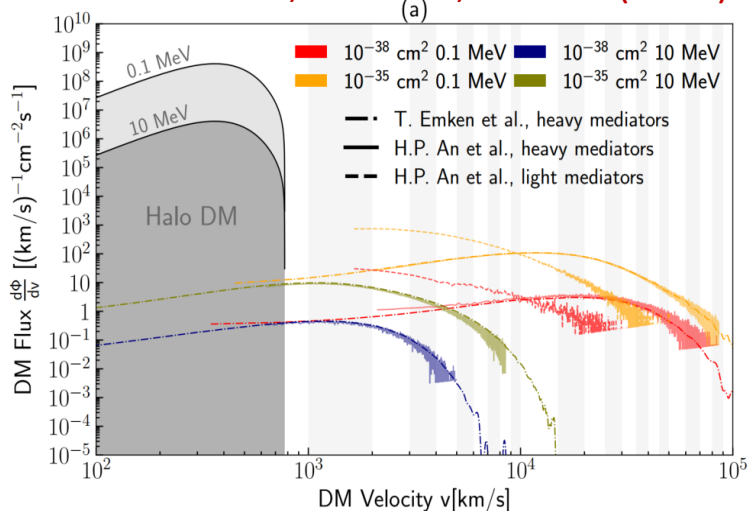
# Boosted DM-electron: SRDM



- **Boosted DM-electron calculation:** develop an energy spectrum reconstruction method for **non-SHM DM velocity distribution**, simplify the expected spectrum calculation in semiconductor det.;
- **Solar Reflected Dark Matter (SRDM) searches:** provide the strongest experimental limits for light mediator scenario for DM mass below 0.1 MeV;

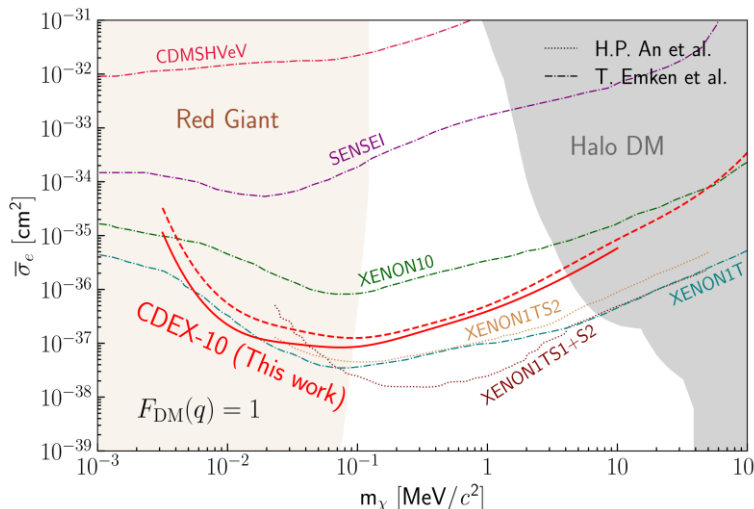
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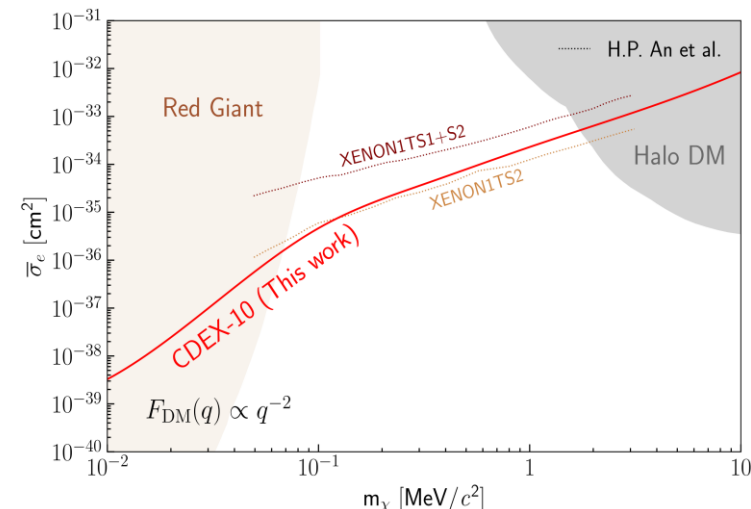


**Solar Reflected Dark Matter velocity distribution**

PRL 132:171001 (2024)



**CDEX-10 SRDM results (heavy mediator)**



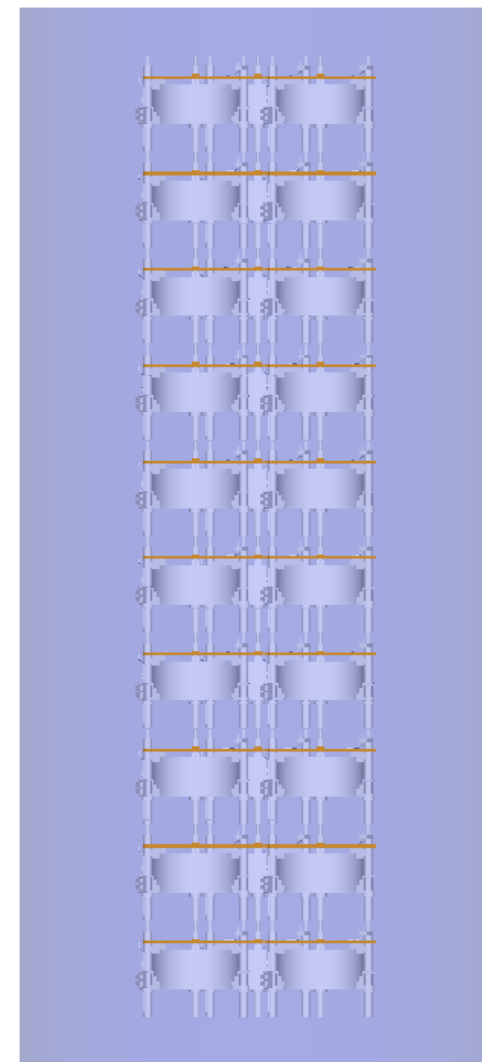
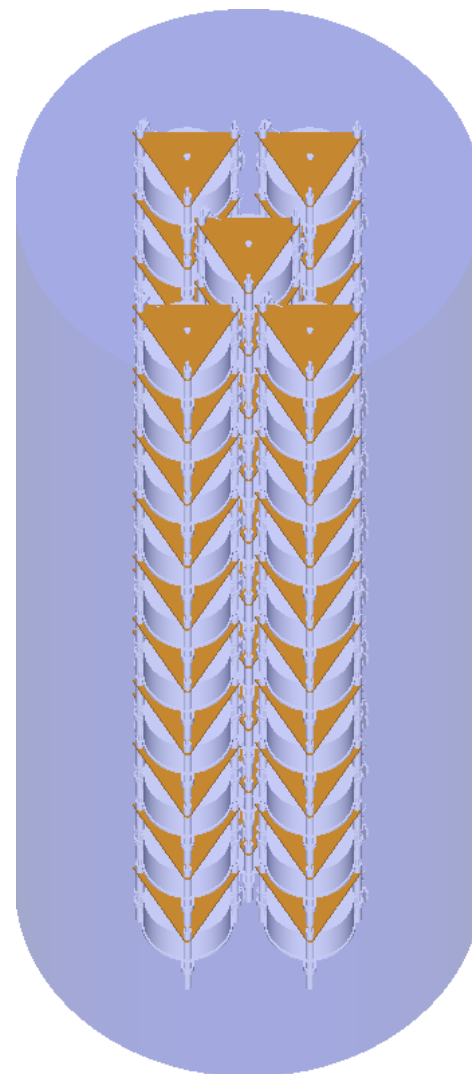
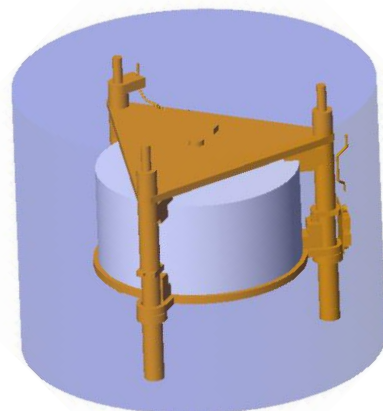
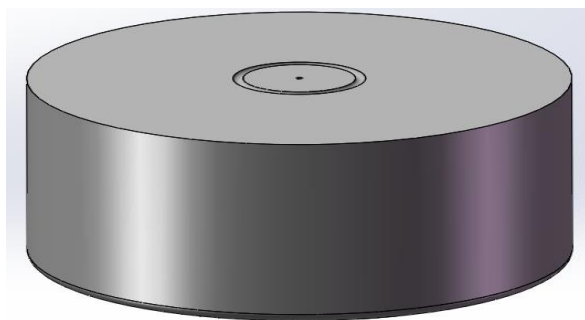
**CDEX-10 SRDM results (light mediator)**



# CDEX-50



- **Ge detectors** array directly immerse into **Liquid Nitrogen** for cooling and shielding;
- Composed of **5 strings, 10 detectors/string**;
- target mass (Ge) reaches  $\sim 50\text{kg}$ ;
- BEGe + PPCGe;

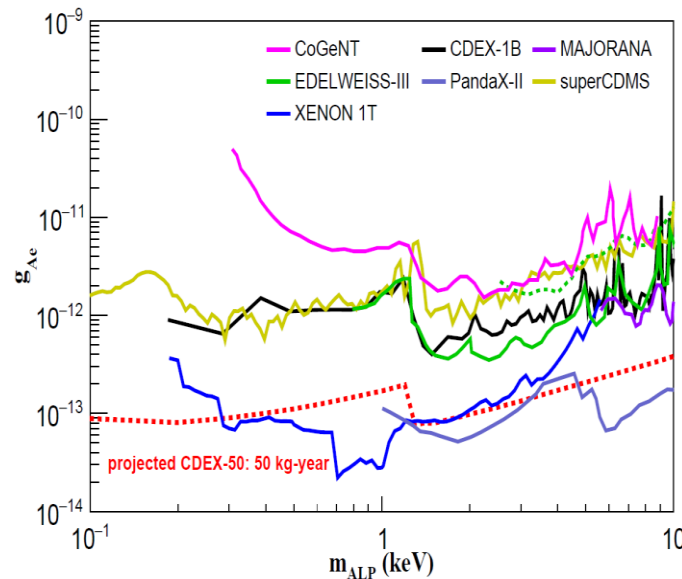


# CDEX-50 Projected sensitivity

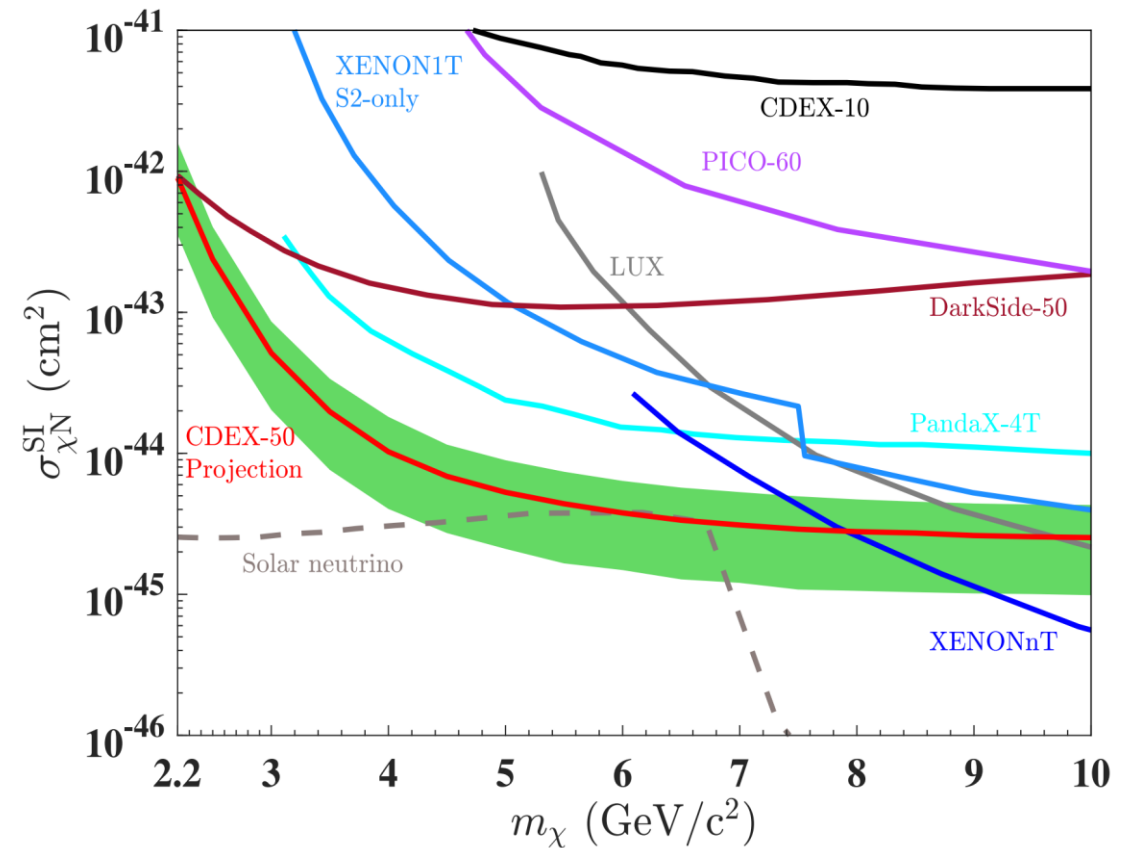


- Bkg level: **<0.01 cts/(keV·kg·day) @1 keV**
- Energy threshold for data analysis: **160 eV**
- Exposure reaches **~50 kg·year**
- WIMP SI sensitivity reaches  **$10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$**
- **Multi physics channel analysis:**

- axion
- dark photon
- ...



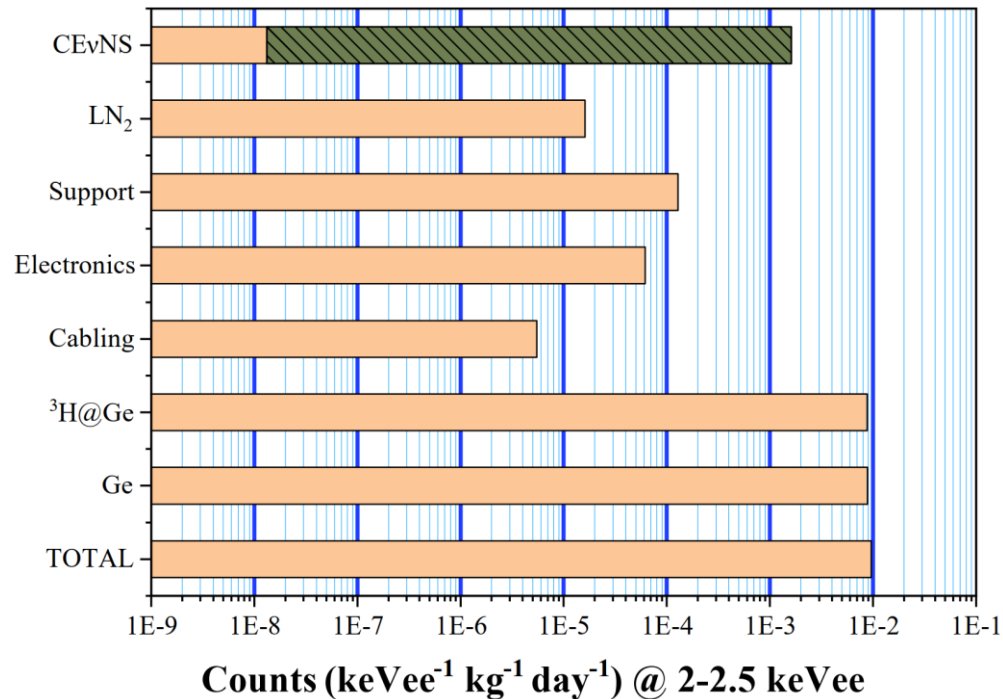
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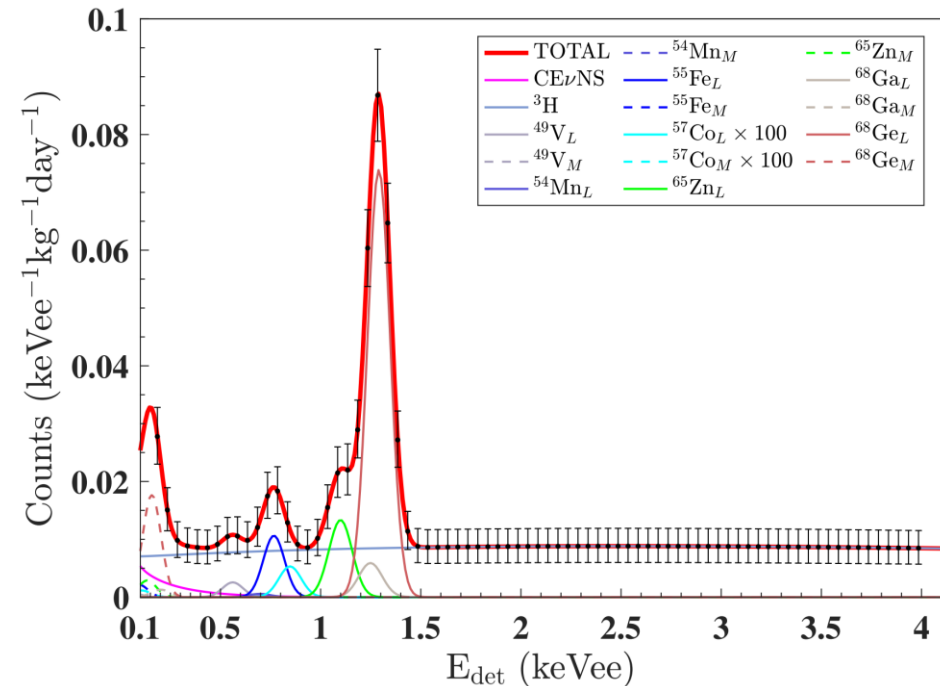
# CDEX-50 Background Model and Simulation



- Bkg level: **<0.01 cts/(keV·kg·day) @1 keV** *JCAP 07 (2024) 009*
- Mainly comes from the  $^3\text{H}$  and cosmogenic radionuclides in crystal
- The contribution from CEvNS and M-shell X-rays should be well understood



contribution of CEvNS in 0.16–0.5 keVee



# Technical R&D towards next-stage



- **Large scale detector array**

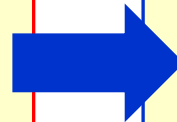
10 kg  $\rightarrow$  50 kg

- **Low background**

2 cpkkd  $\rightarrow$  0.01cpkkd@ 2-4 keV

- **Prototype detectors  $\rightarrow$  Strings**

- **Strings  $\rightarrow$  Arrays**



- **Large shielding and cooling system**

- **Ge detector fabrication**

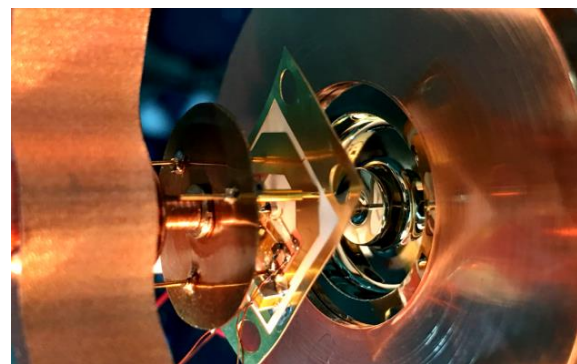
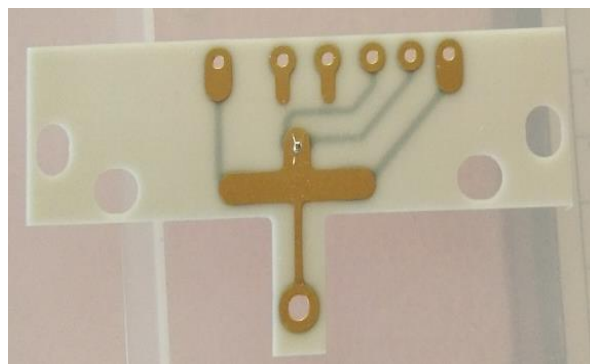
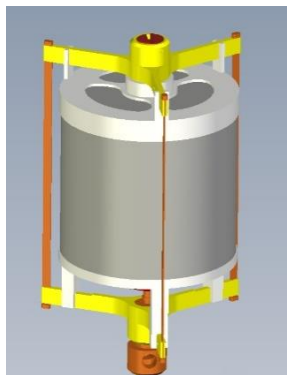
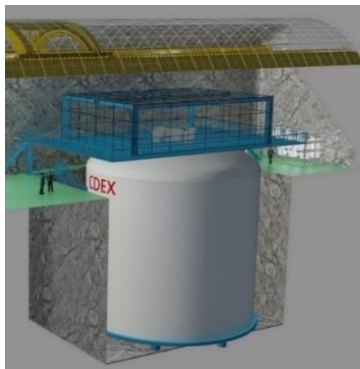
- Low mass detector unit and VFE design

- Low bkg cables or flexible PCB

- CMOS ASIC Front-end Electronics

- **Underground E-forming copper**

- **Cosmogenic bkg control**

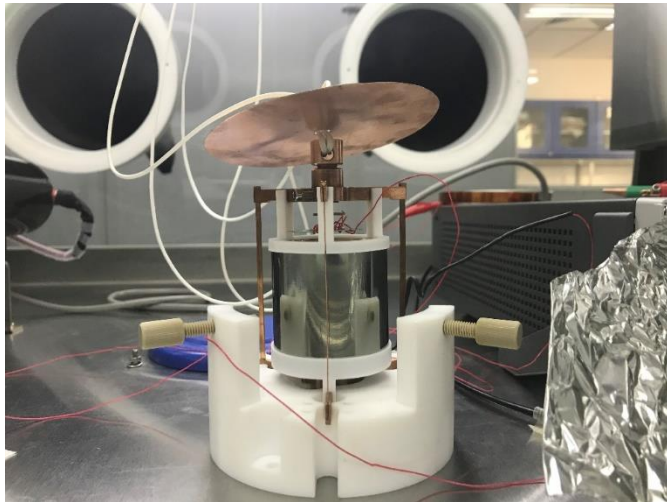
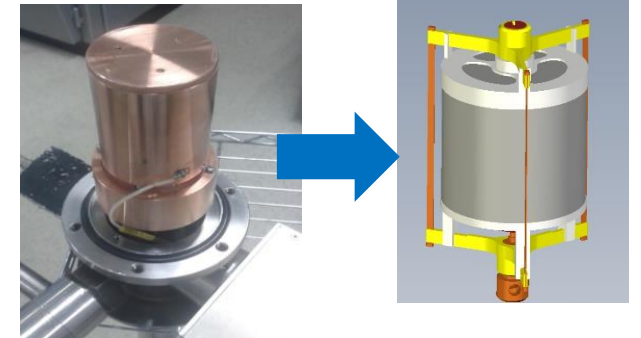


# Ge detector fabrication

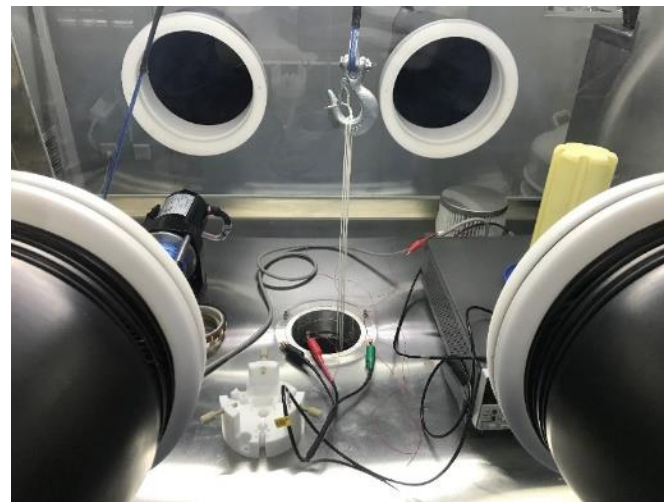


- Develop **bare HPGe detectors** immersed into  $\text{LN}_2$ ;
- Long time stability;
- Further reduce the radioactive background;
- ASIC-based preamplifiers can work well in liquid nitrogen;

79 g Cu + 10 g PTFE

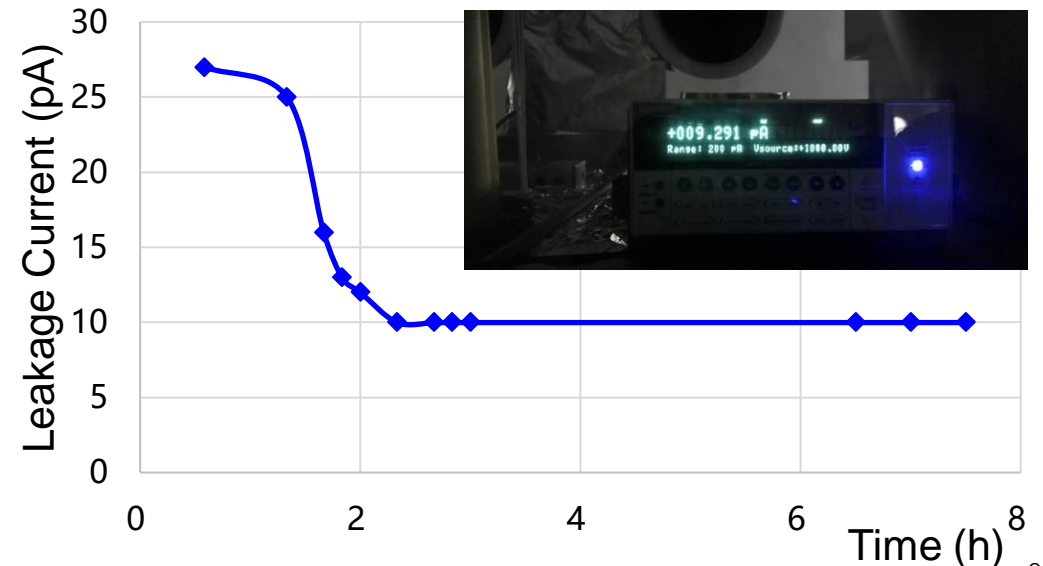


Bare HPGe detectors



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PPC:  $\phi 50\text{mm} \times 50\text{mm}$ , Depleted voltage:  $\sim 800\text{V}$

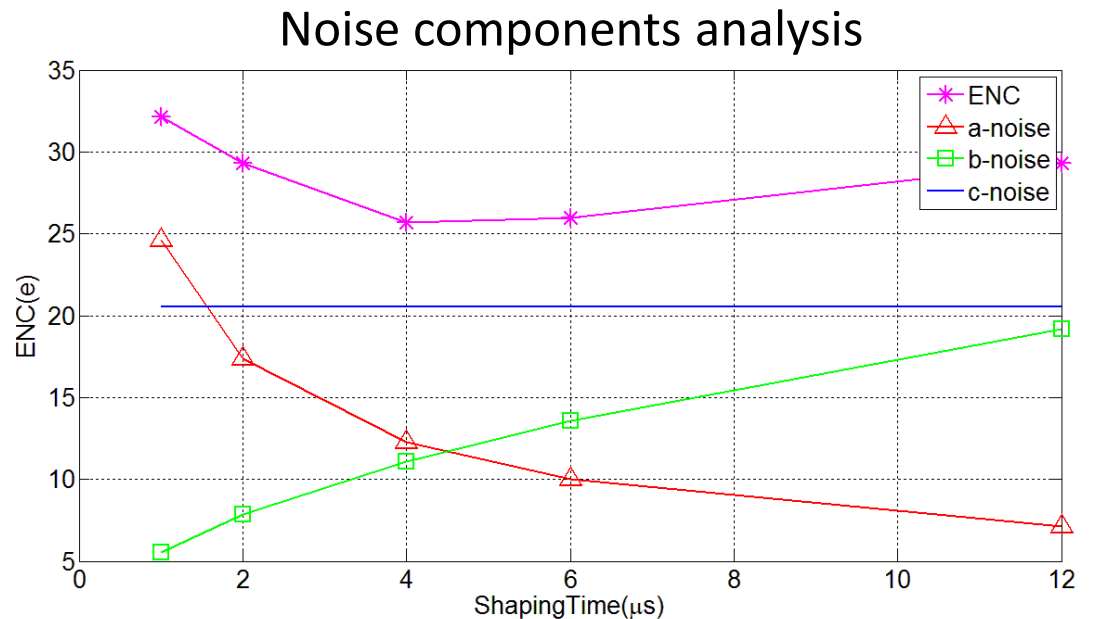
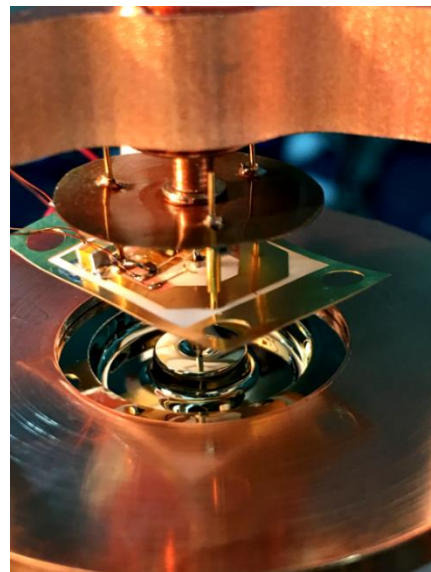
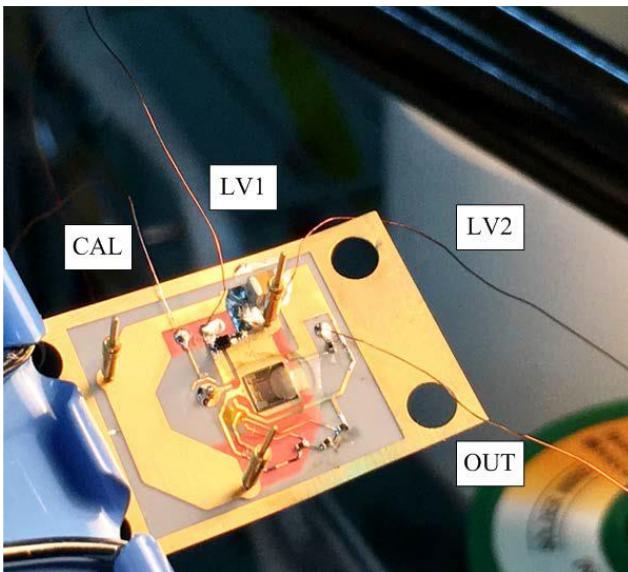


# CMOS ASIC Front-end Electronics



- Light DM search  $\rightarrow$  low noise/threshold (low capacity, etc)
- Very close to Ge detectors  $\rightarrow$  low bkg (radiopure, low-mass, etc)
- ASIC preamplifier @ 77K
  - PCB material: PTFE(Rogers 4850);
  - ENC  $\sim 26e$  (<200eV) w/  $4\mu s$  shaping time, mainly from  $1/f$  noise ( $\sim 21e$ );

Details in *JINST* (2018) 13: 8019



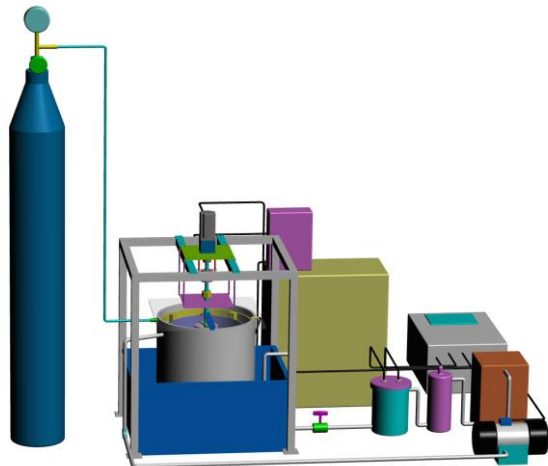
# Underground E-forming copper and Assay



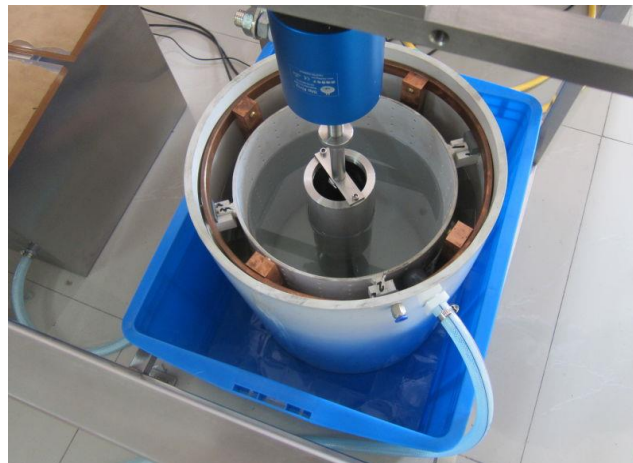
- Prototype setup for underground EF-Cu production
  - Cathode mandrel: 316L stainless steel,  $\phi 95 \times 380 \text{mm}$ ;
  - Plating bath: PE,  $\phi 400 \times 500 \text{mm}$ ;
  - Goal: Majorana copper, U/Th content  $\sim O(0.1 \mu\text{Bq/kg})$ ;
- Test run in Tsinghua U. and moved to CJPL-I;
- U/Th Analysis by ICP-MS
  - Wet chemistry testing... , blank sensitivity  $\sim 10^{-13} \text{g/g}$



UG copper e-forming facility @CJPL-I



E-forming setup



optimized electrical parameters



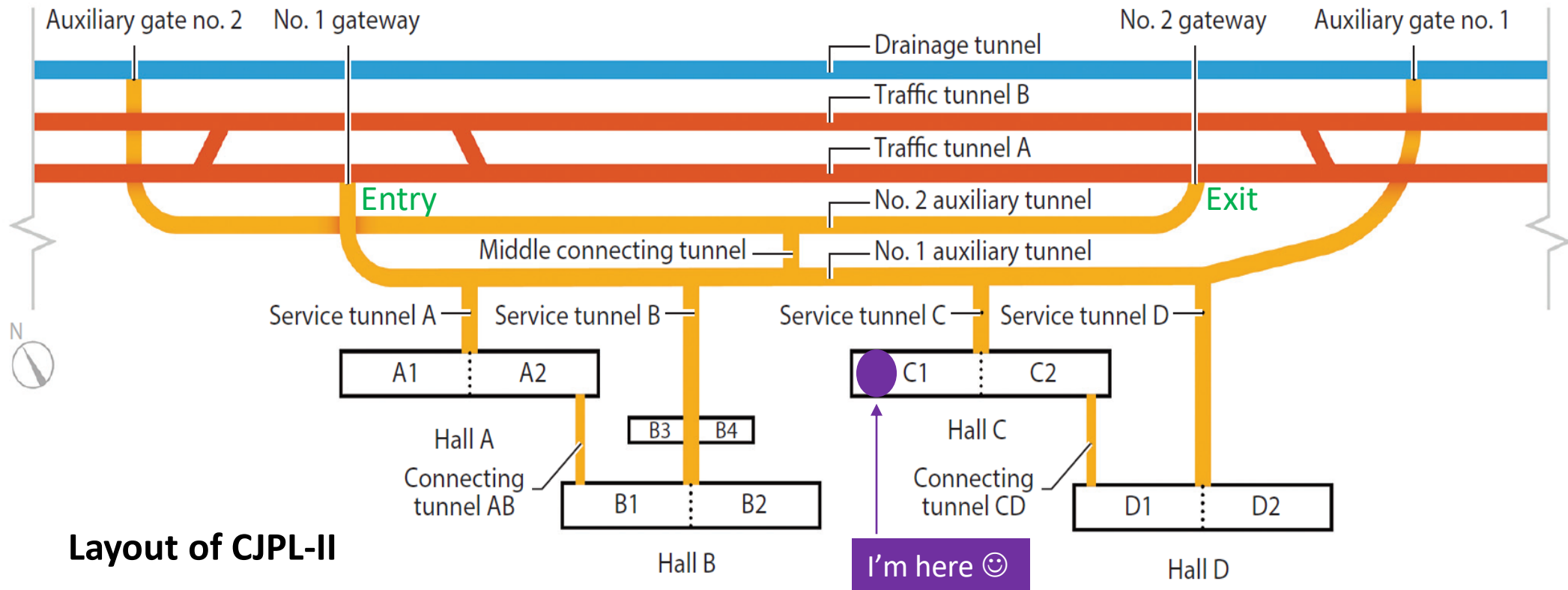
ICP-MS

# Future Plan – New location



- CJPL-I to CJPL-II

- Volume: 4000 m<sup>3</sup> to 300,000 m<sup>3</sup>;
- 1 main hall (6.5x6.5x42m) to 8 main halls (14x14x60m each);
- Additional pit for next-generation CDEX;



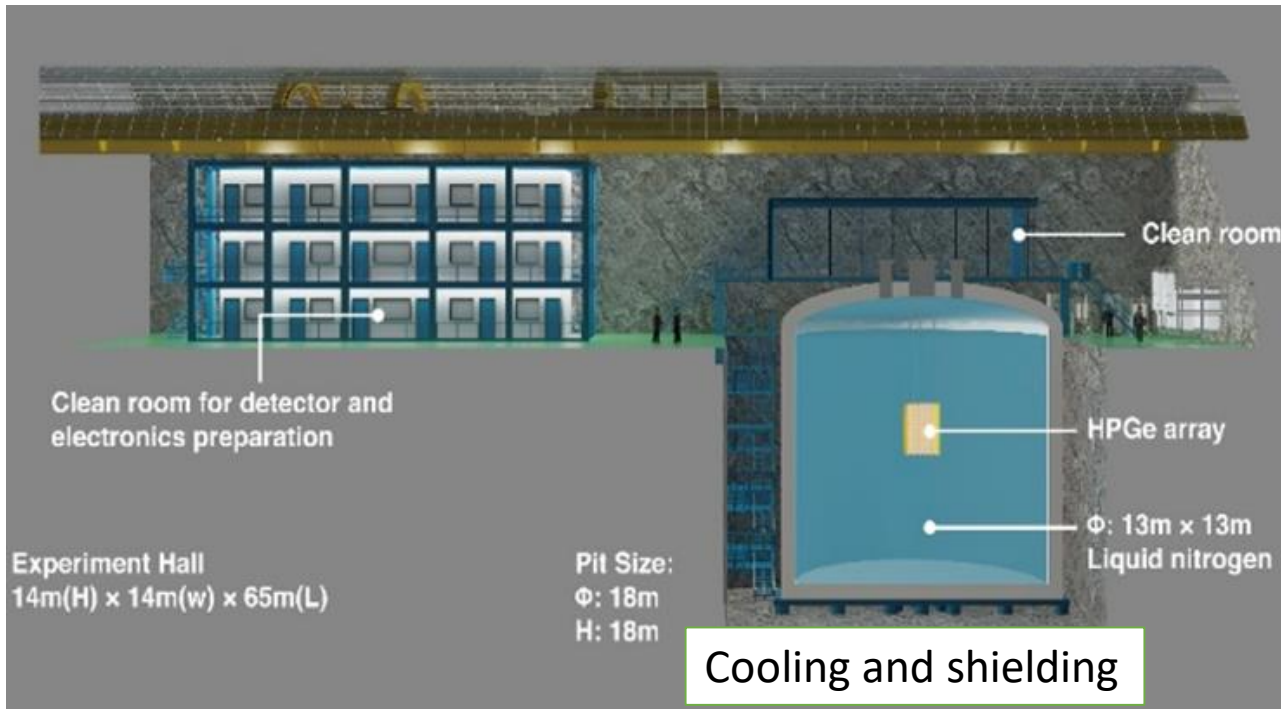
Layout of CJPL-II



# Future Plan - CDEX @CJPL-II



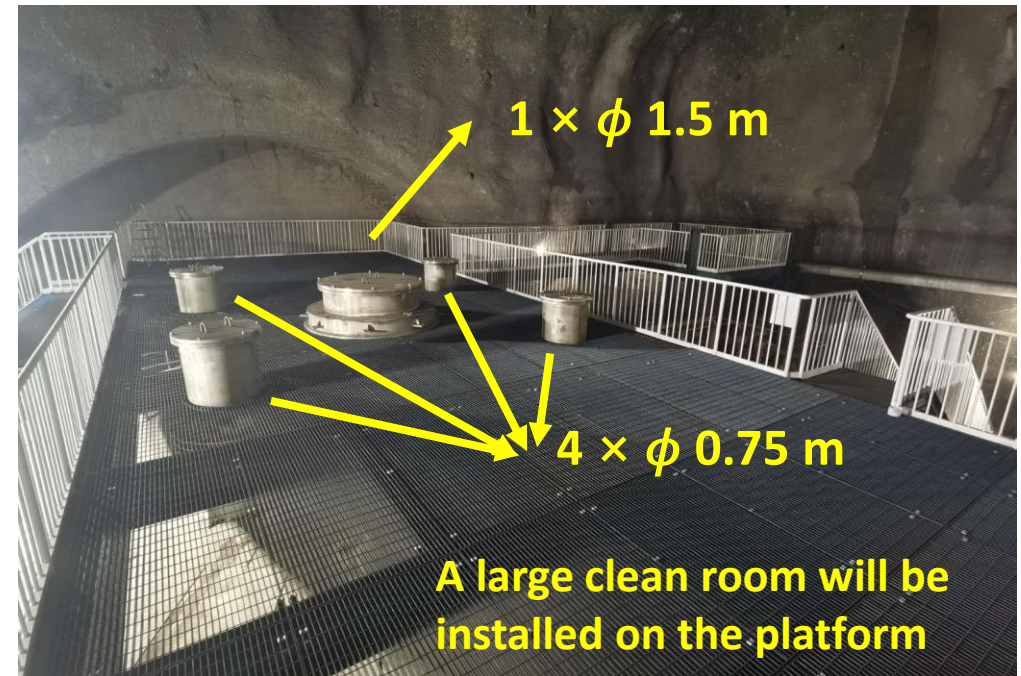
- Prepare for HPGe experiment in Hall C1 @ CJPL-II
- 1725m<sup>3</sup> liquid nitrogen, shielding and cooling system (inner:  $\phi$ 13m\*H13m)
- Inner bkg level:  $<10^{-4}$  cpkkd@1keV,  $<10^{-6}$  cpkkd@2MeV



# Future Plan - CDEX @ CJPL-II



- Construction of LN<sub>2</sub> tank has completed at end of 2019
- A new steel working platform has been constructed in October 2022
- Liquid nitrogen filling is expected to complete at the end of 2024
- Background level is hoped to be confirmed with PPCGe at the beginning of 2025



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