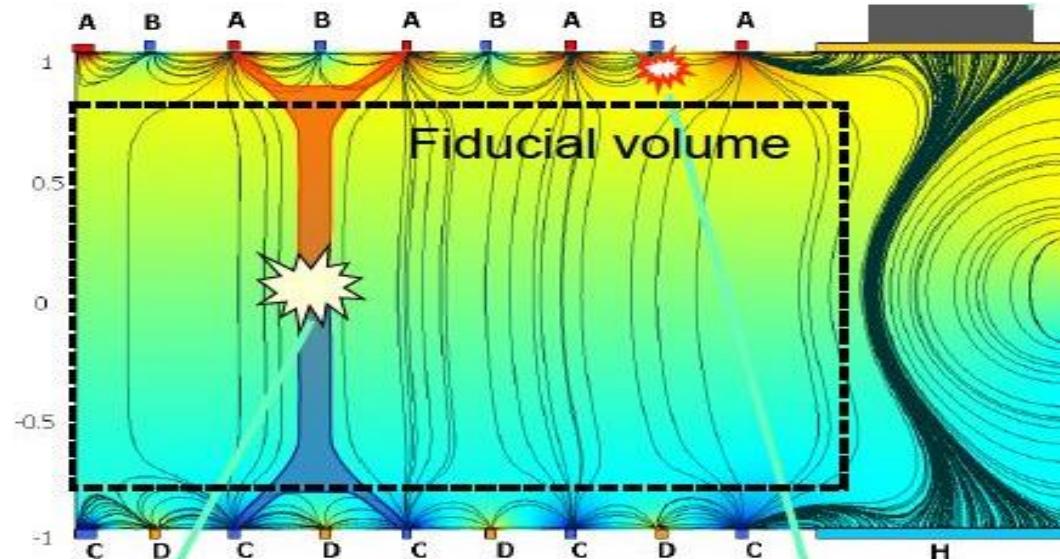


Searching for WIMPs at the EDELWEISS experiment by optimization of the background reduction

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Overview

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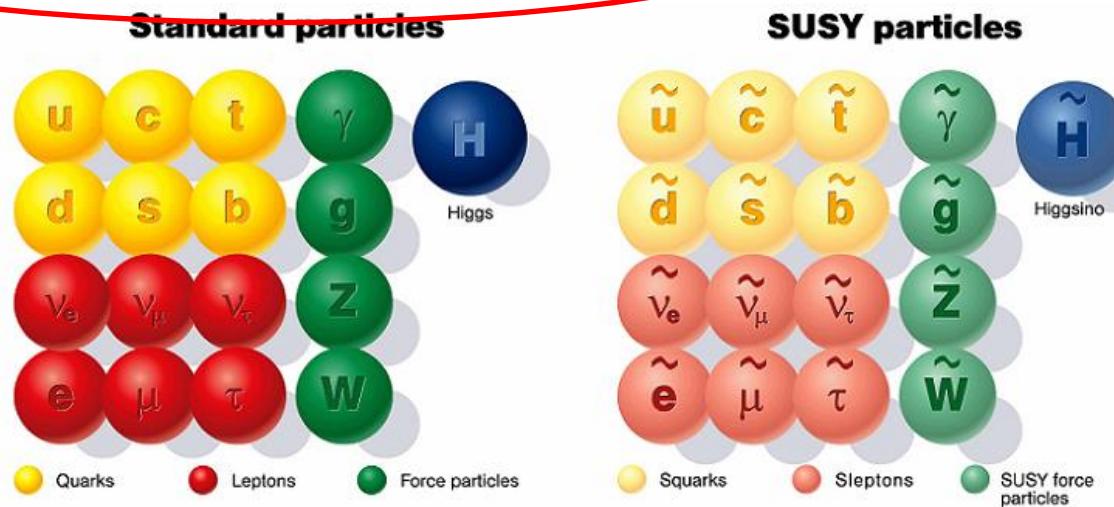
Introduction

- Candidates for DM:
 - Barionic DM (MACHOS/RAMBOS)

Problem: calculated part too small
 - Hot DM (Neutrinos)

Problem: no small scale structures possible
 - Cold DM (WIMPS)

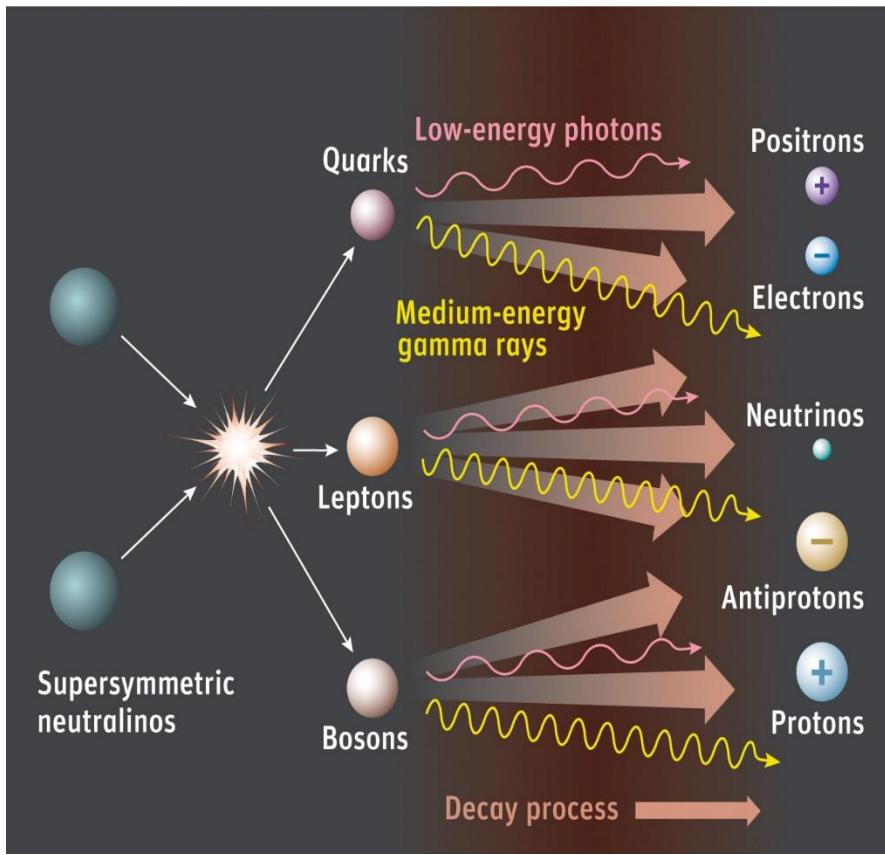
possible candidates: SUSY particles



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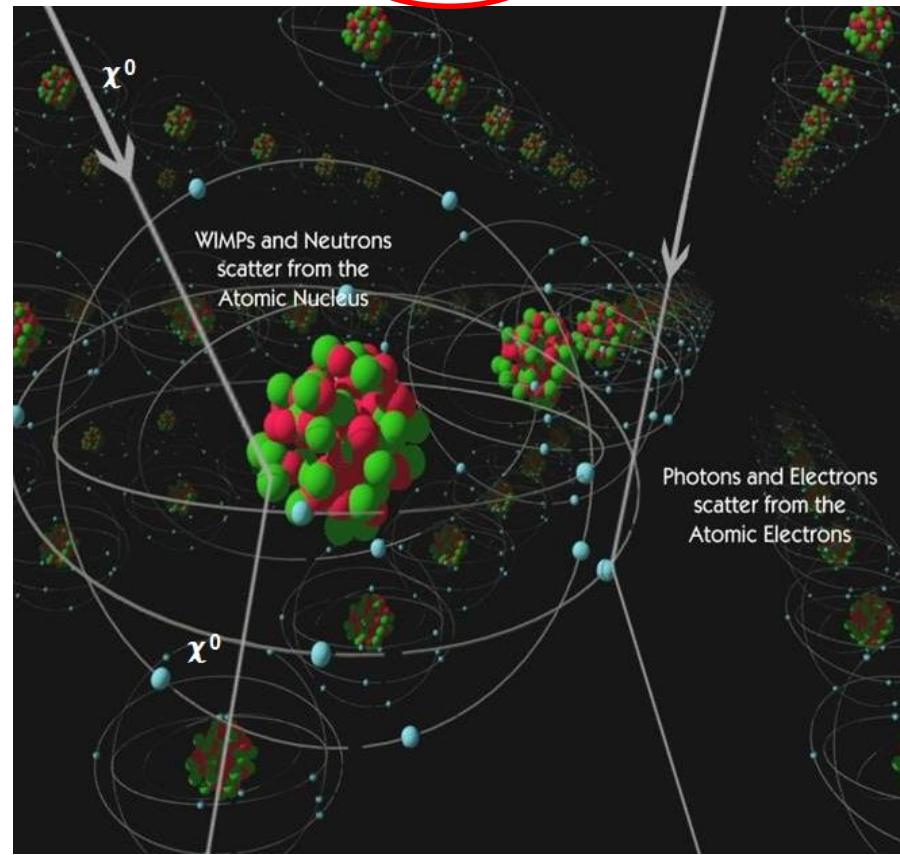
■ Possibilities to detect WIMPs

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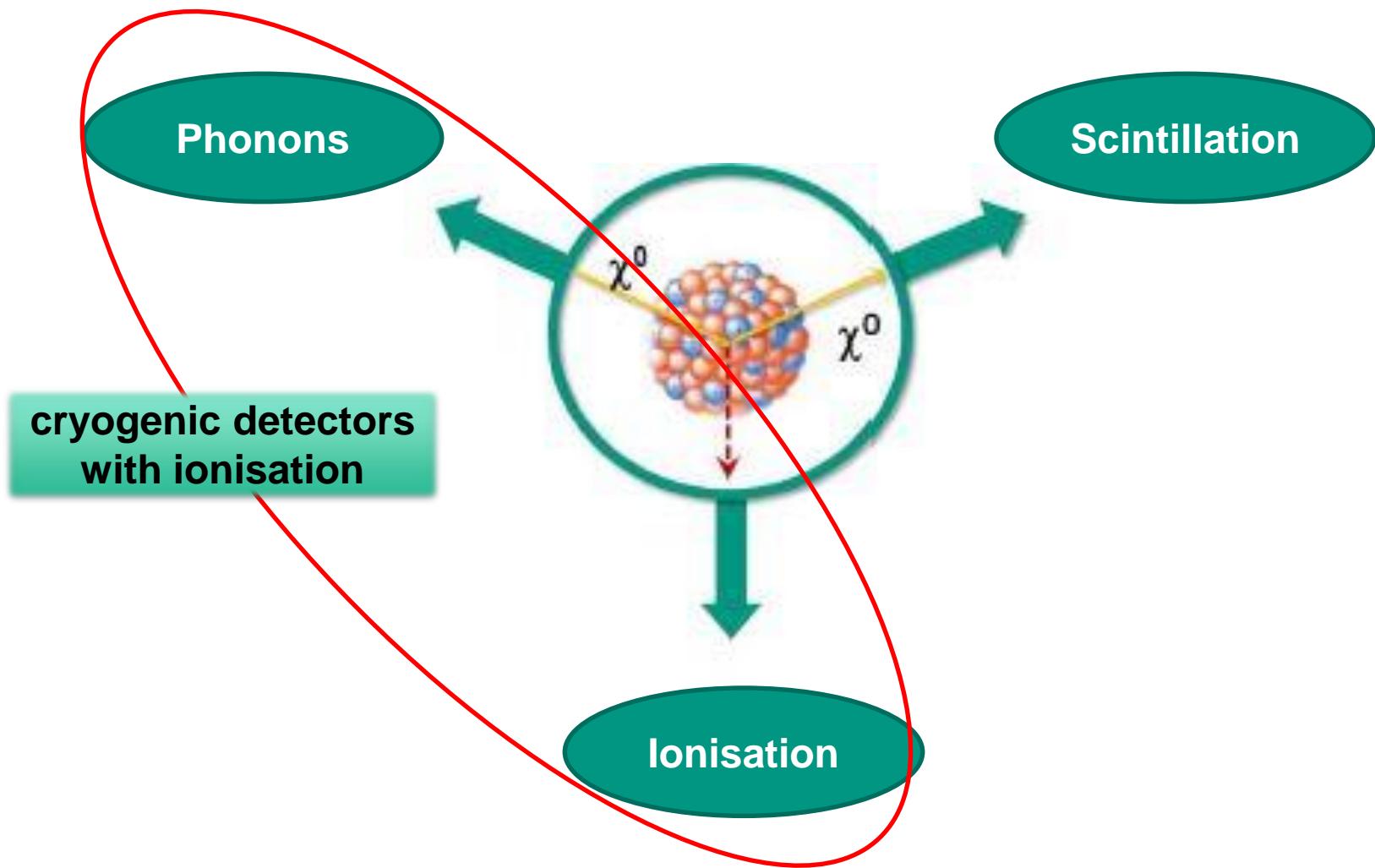


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direct



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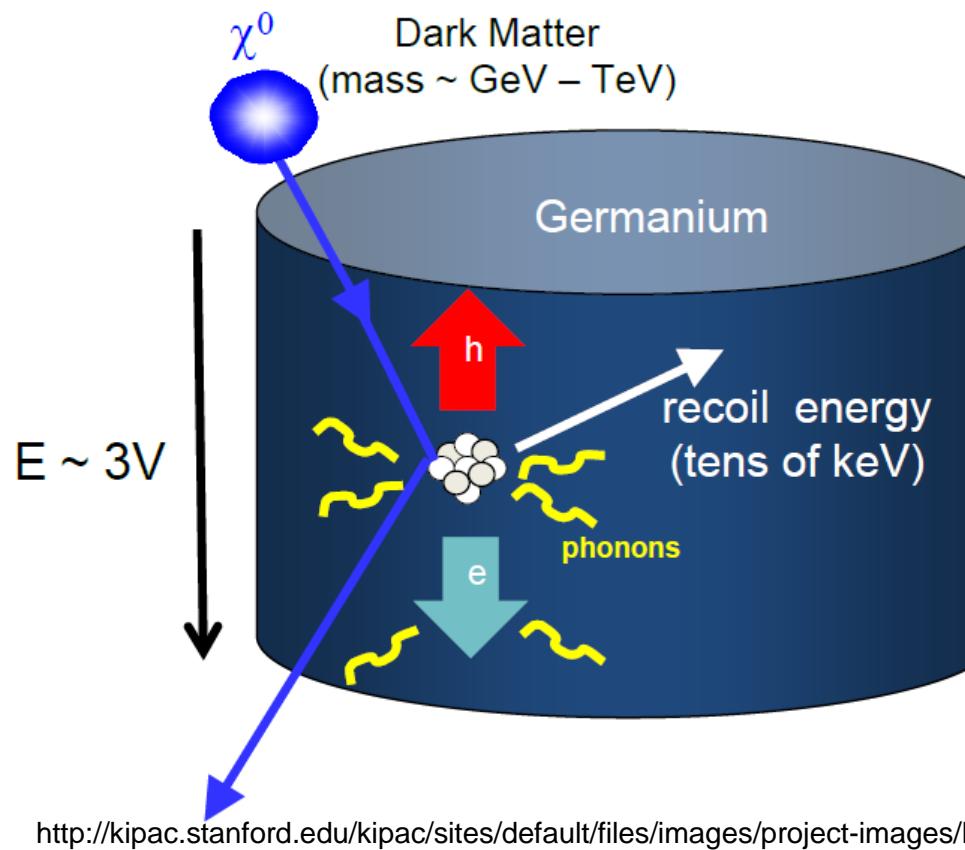
The EDELWEISS Experiment

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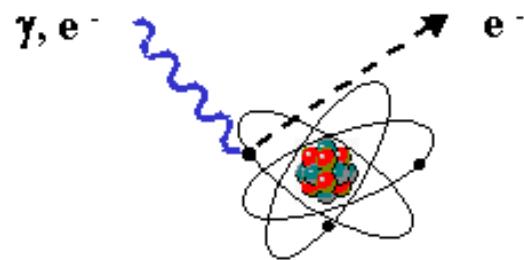
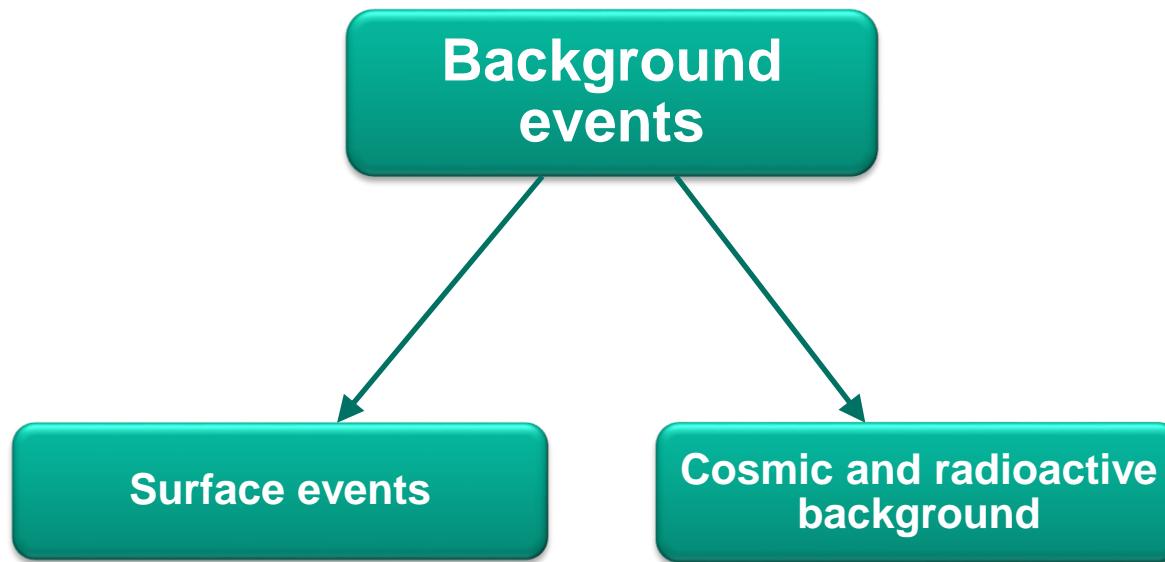
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- Phases:
 - EDELWEISS I (2000-2004): 3 detectors with 320 g each
 - EDELWEISS II (2008-2010): 10 detectors with 400 g each
 - EDELWEISS III (2014-2017): 40 detectors with 800 g each
- Method: Detector array of Germanium low-temperature bolometers ($\sim 15\text{mK}$)



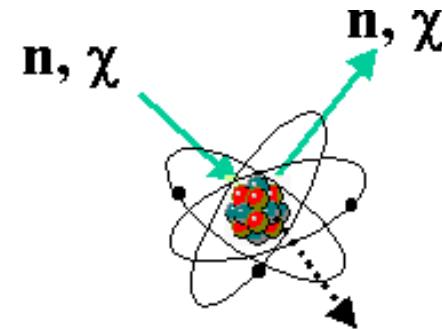
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electronic recoil : background

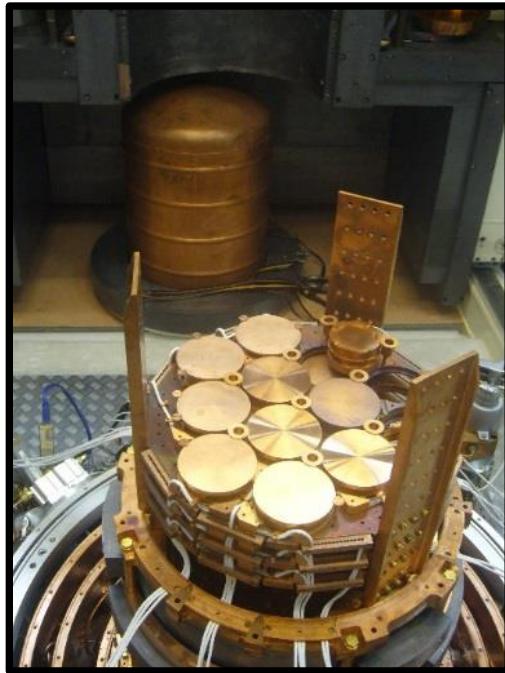


nuclear recoil : signal

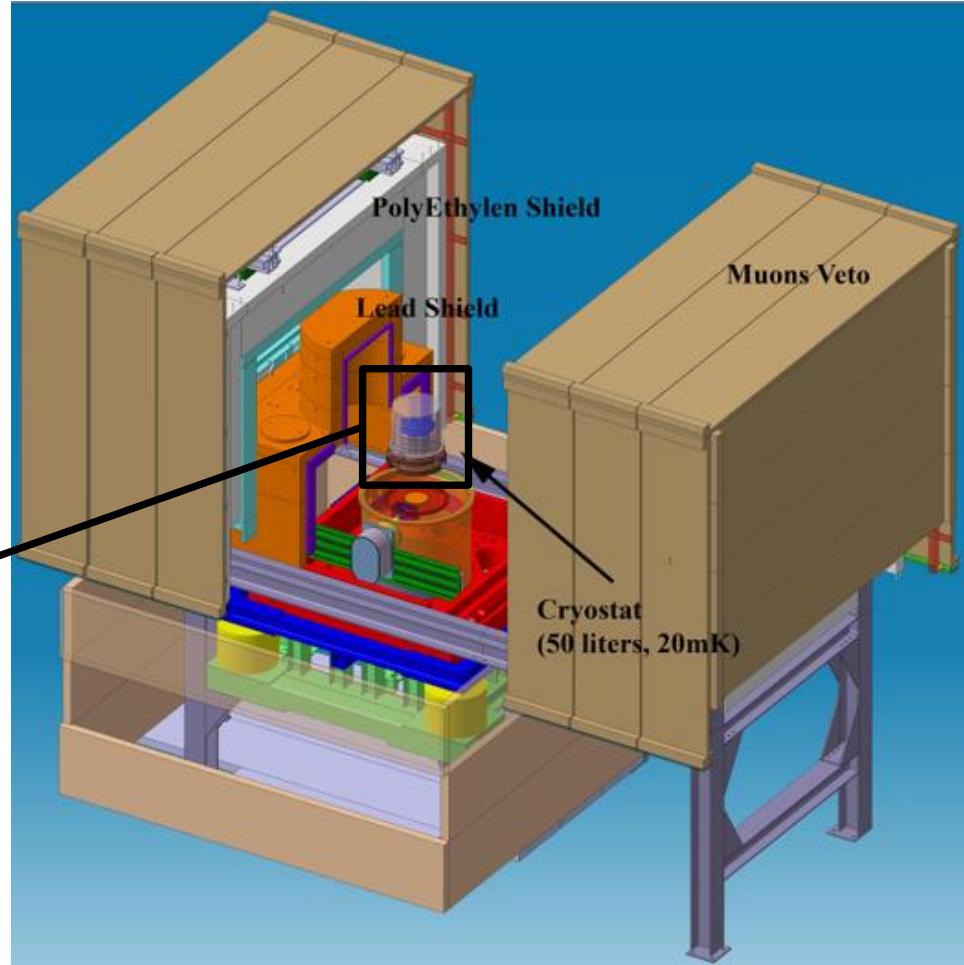
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Structure of the EDELWEISS Experiment

- Lead Shield (20 cm)
- PolyEthylen Shield (50 cm)
- Muons Veto



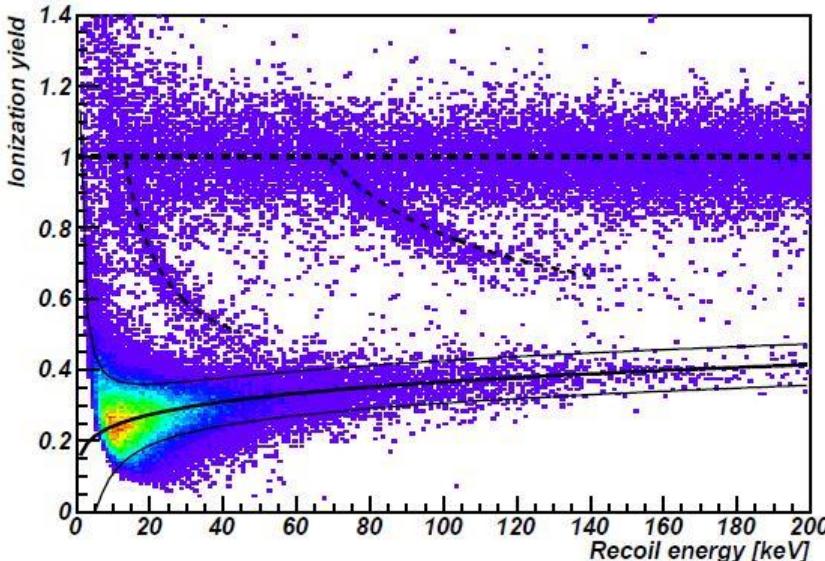
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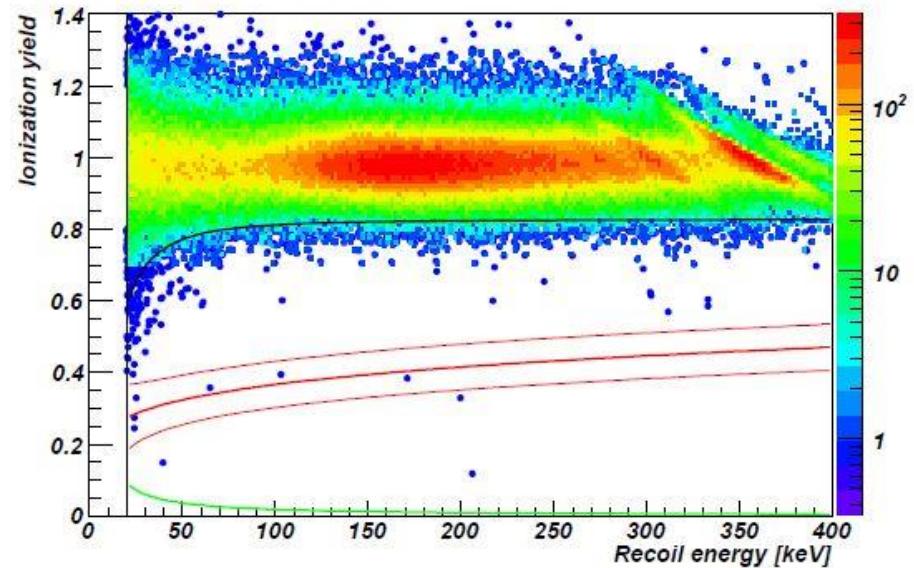
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Special methods of background reduction

■ Calibration



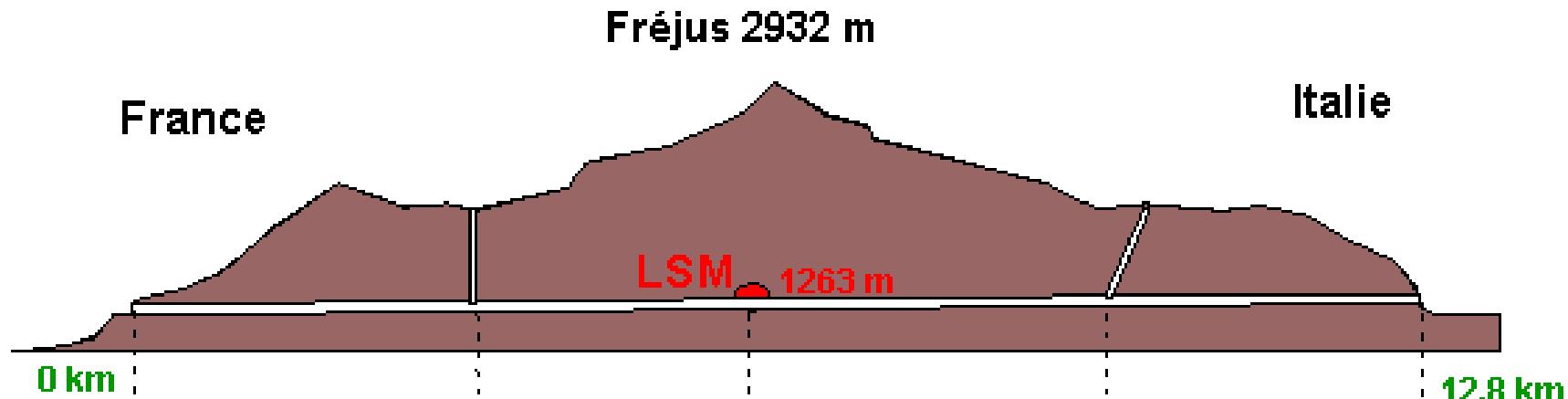
Neutron calibrations for all Ge-ID detectors



γ -ray calibrations for all Ge-ID detectors (^{133}Ba)

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- Cosmic and radioactive background
 - Shielding through rock and muons veto

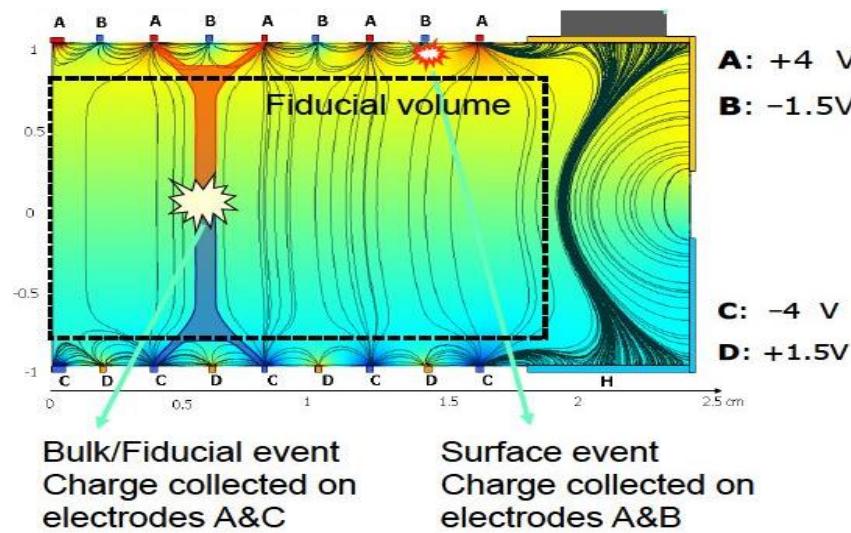


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- Time distribution into hourly intervals
- Filtering of coincidence events
- GEANT4-Simulations based on the calibration

■ Surface events

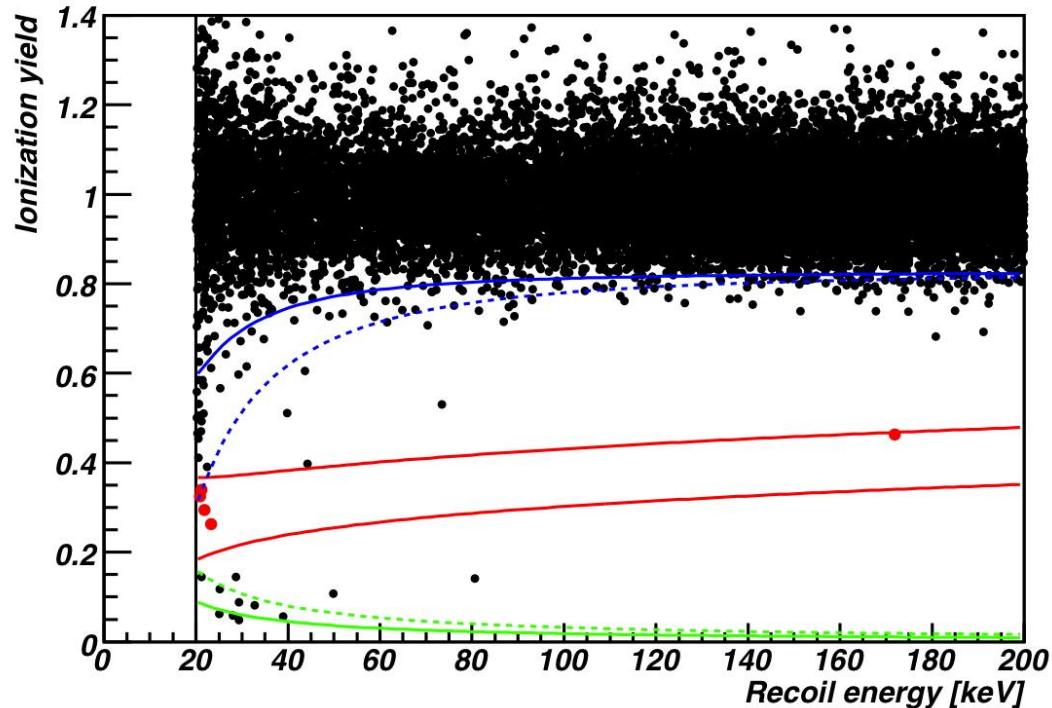
- Interleaved structure
- Combination of the electrode signals
- Combination of thermal sensors and electrodes
- Interdigit sensors



All in all this yields an estimated background of less than 3 events in
384 kg*d

Results of phase II

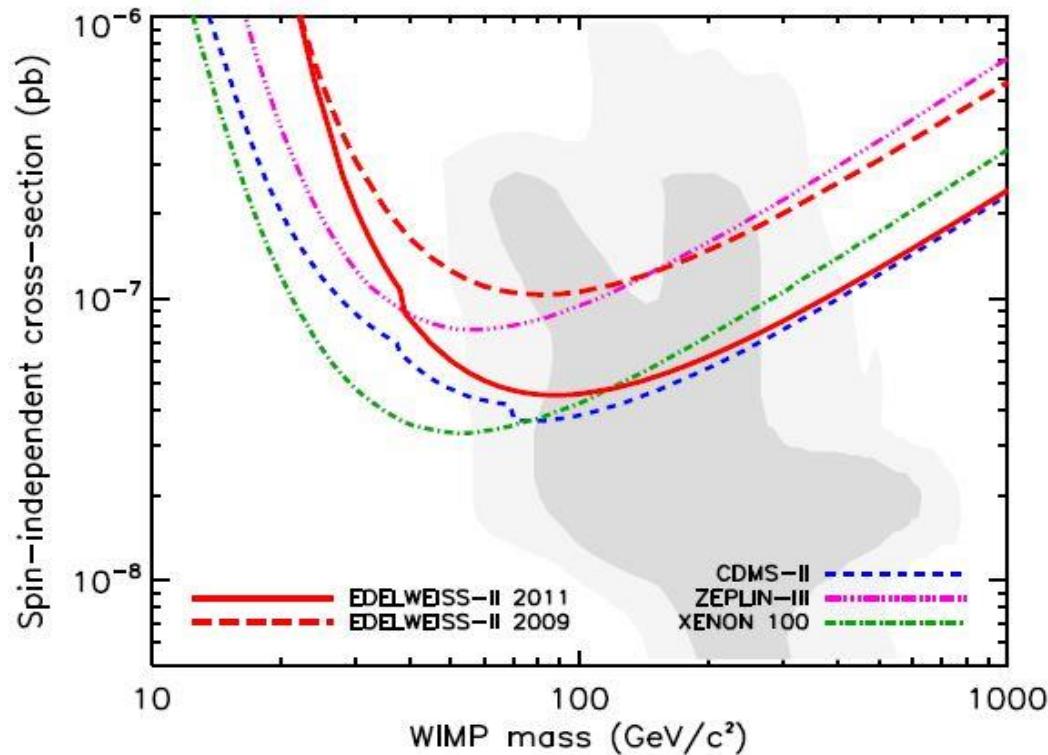
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- Cross-section limit at 90% CL: $4.4 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ pb}$



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Thanks for your attention!



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