



Dark matter and line-intensity mapping

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Who did the work

- Dark matter:
 - Creque-Sarbinowski & MK, 1806.11119
 - Bernal, Caputo, & MK, 2012.00771
- Neutrinos:
 - Bernal, Caputo, Villaescusa-Navarro, & MK, 2103.12099
- Other LIM collaborators:
 - E. Kovetz, P. Breysse, G. Sato-Polito, K. Boddy
- General background:
 - “Line-Intensity Mapping: 2017 Status Report,” Kovetz et al., 1709.09066 [astro-ph.CO]
 - “User’s guide to extracting cosmological information from line-intensity maps,” Bernal, Breysse, Gil-Marín, & Kovetz, 1907.10067.

Line-Intensity Mapping

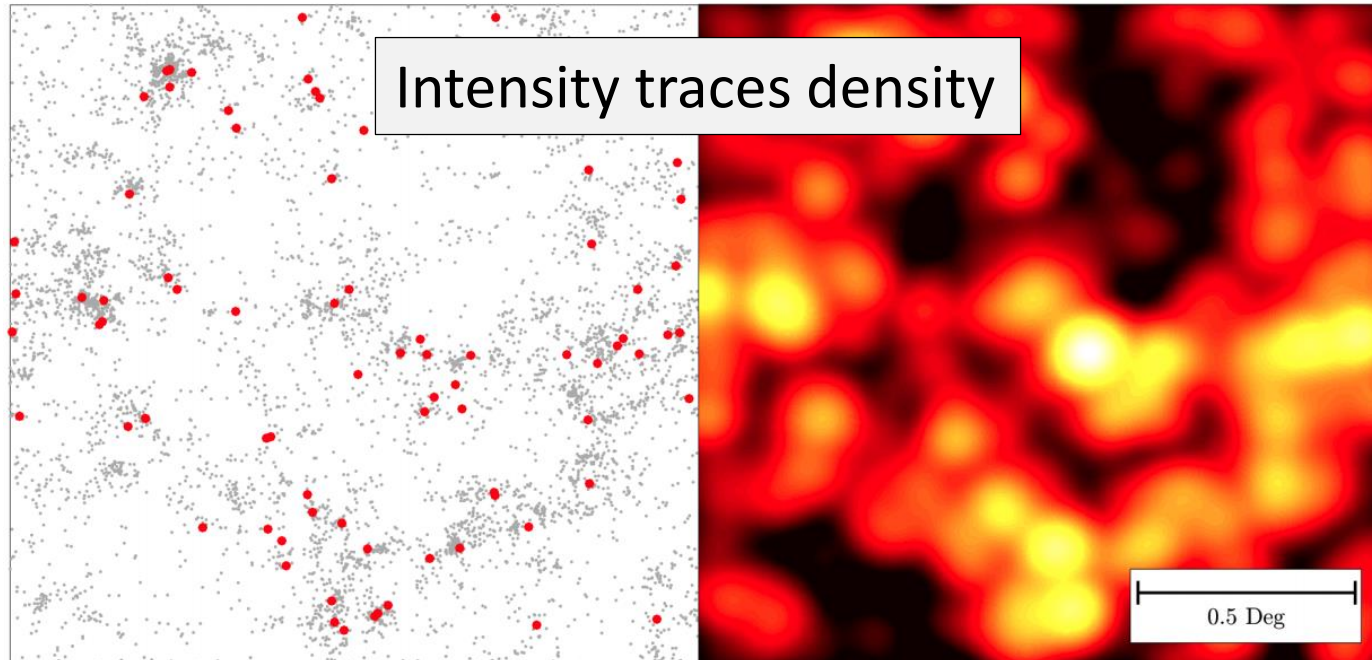
- LIM: use integrated light in given pixel on sky
- Information from all galaxies and IGM along LoS
- Use redshift of identifiable spectral line → 3D maps

Galaxy surveys: detailed distribution of brightest galaxies

Intensity maps: noisy distribution of all galaxies and IGM

Intensity traces density

~ 4.5k hours of VLA
can detect ~ 1% of
CO-emitting galaxies



~ 1.5k hours of COMAP
mapping CO intensity
fluctuations

P. Breyse

Targeted lines

- $\nu_{obs} = \nu_0 / (1 + z)$



Signal strongly depends on astrophysical processes

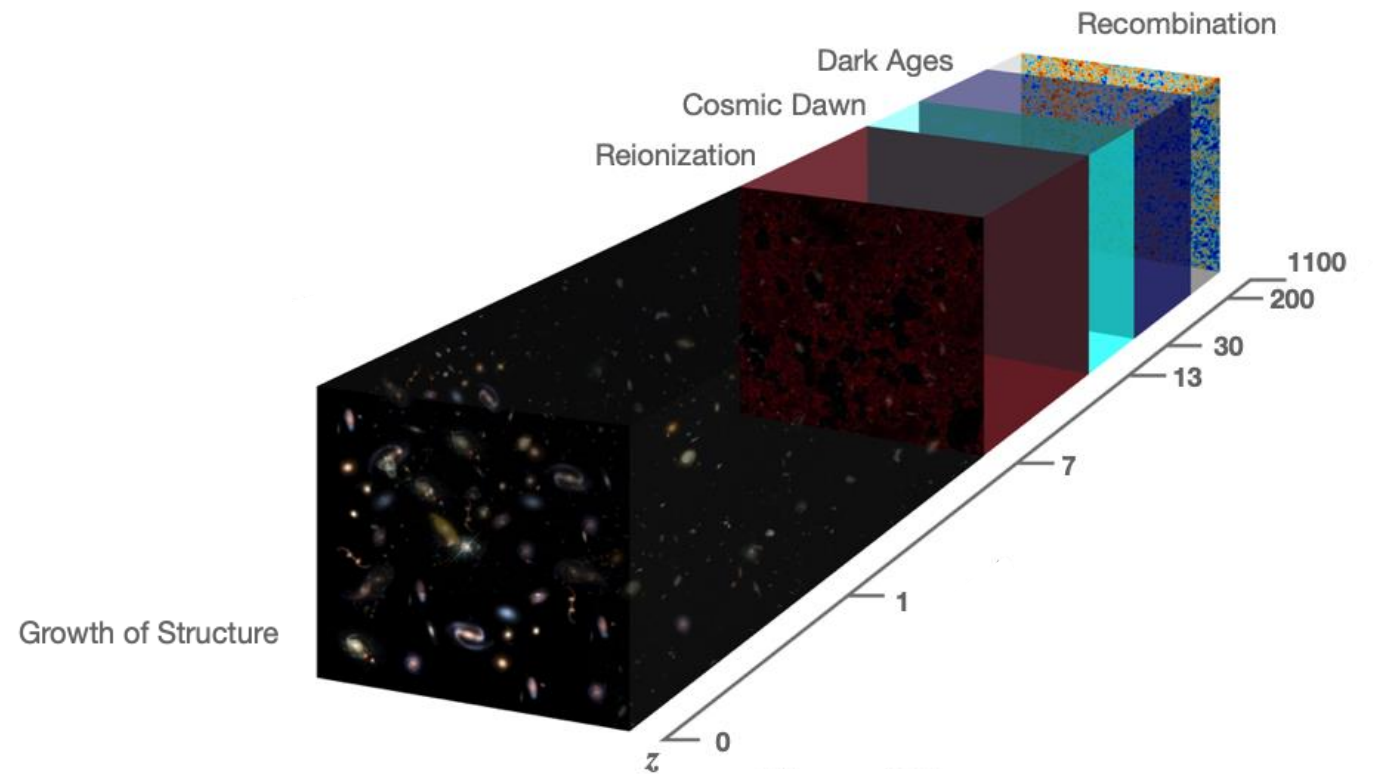
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$\text{Ly}\alpha$ CO, CII, OIII, $\text{H}\alpha$, $\text{H}\beta$, ...
21cm (post-reio)

Continuum

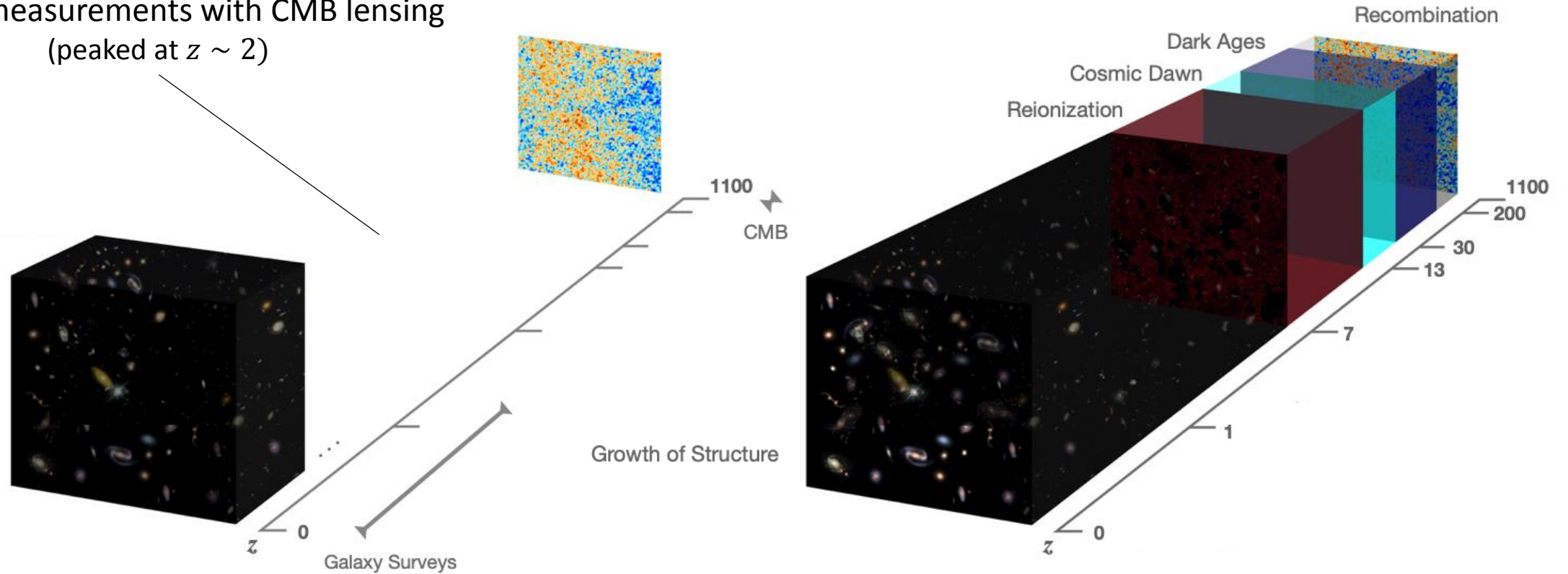
Adapted from P. Breyse,
Background: Sci. Am.

Probing the Universe



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Indirect measurements with CMB lensing
(peaked at $z \sim 2$)

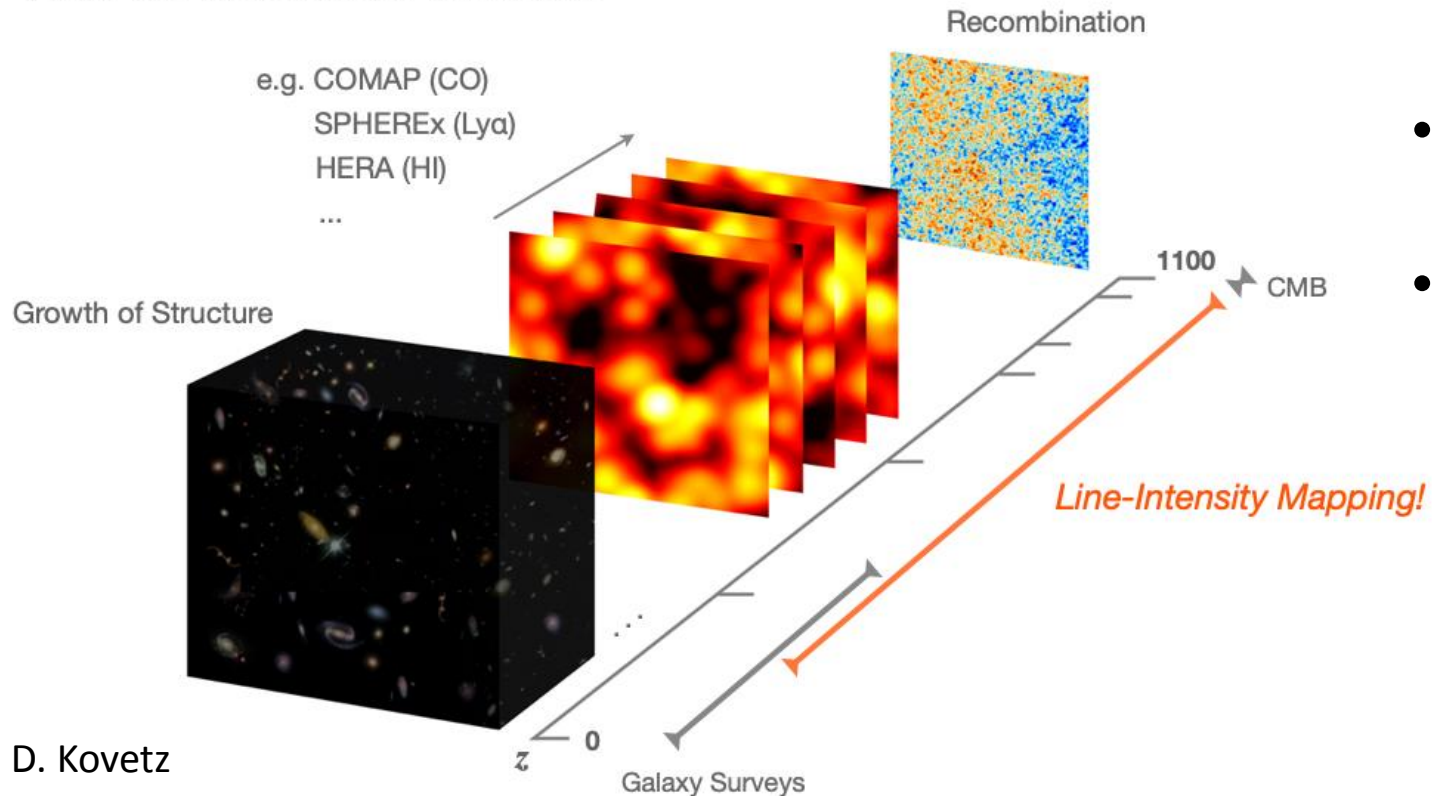


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How do we access the rest?

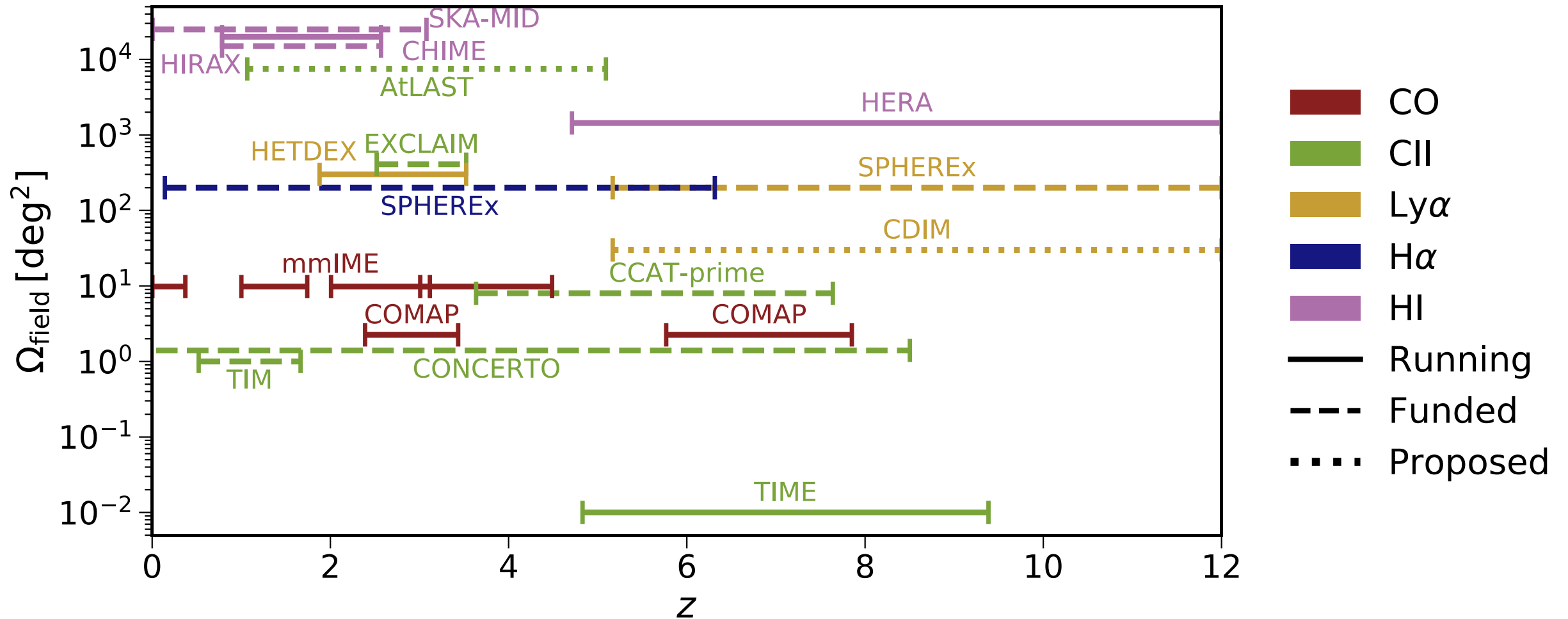


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- Different stages of evolution across time
- But we have only exploited a small part
- LIM: fills the gap!

Probing the Universe with LIM

- Exciting experimental landscape!

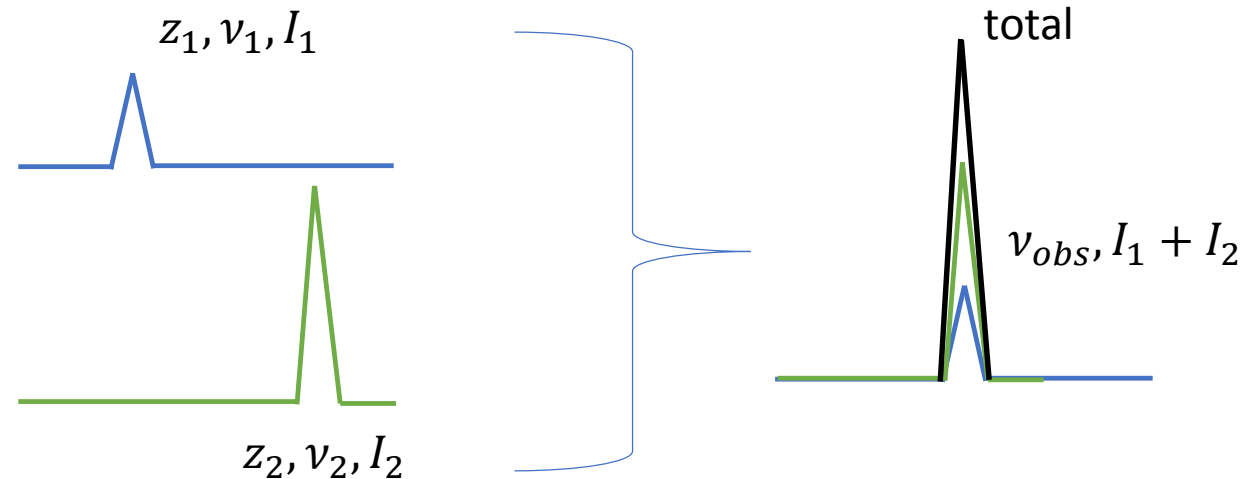


Observables

- Clustering anisotropy parametrized by monopole, dipole, quadrupole, hexadecapole in angle wrt LOS
 - Clustering along line of sight
 - Angular clustering
- Voxel-intensity distribution (VID) (one-point PDF)

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Exotic radiative decays would be inadvertently detected as a line interloper!!

Exotic radiative decays

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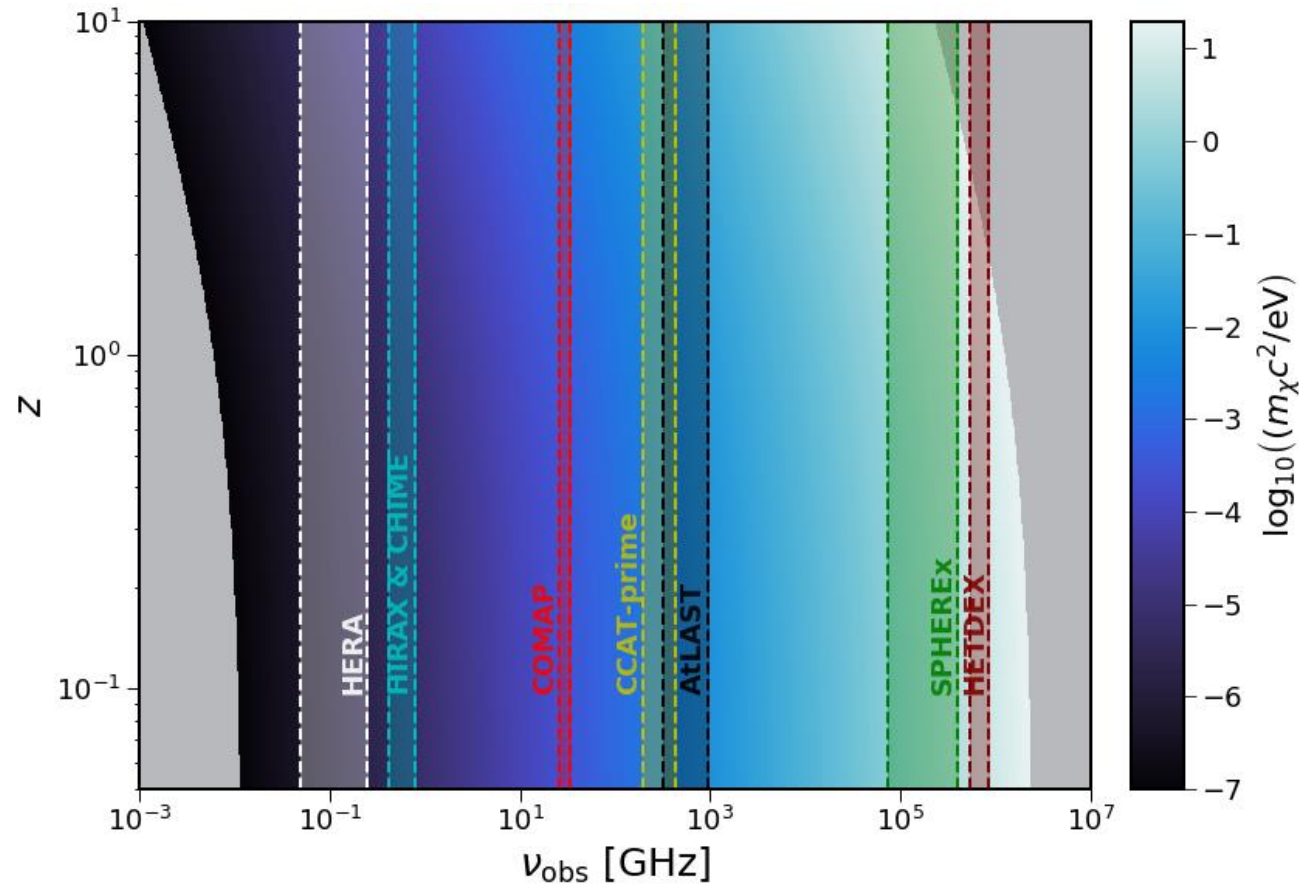
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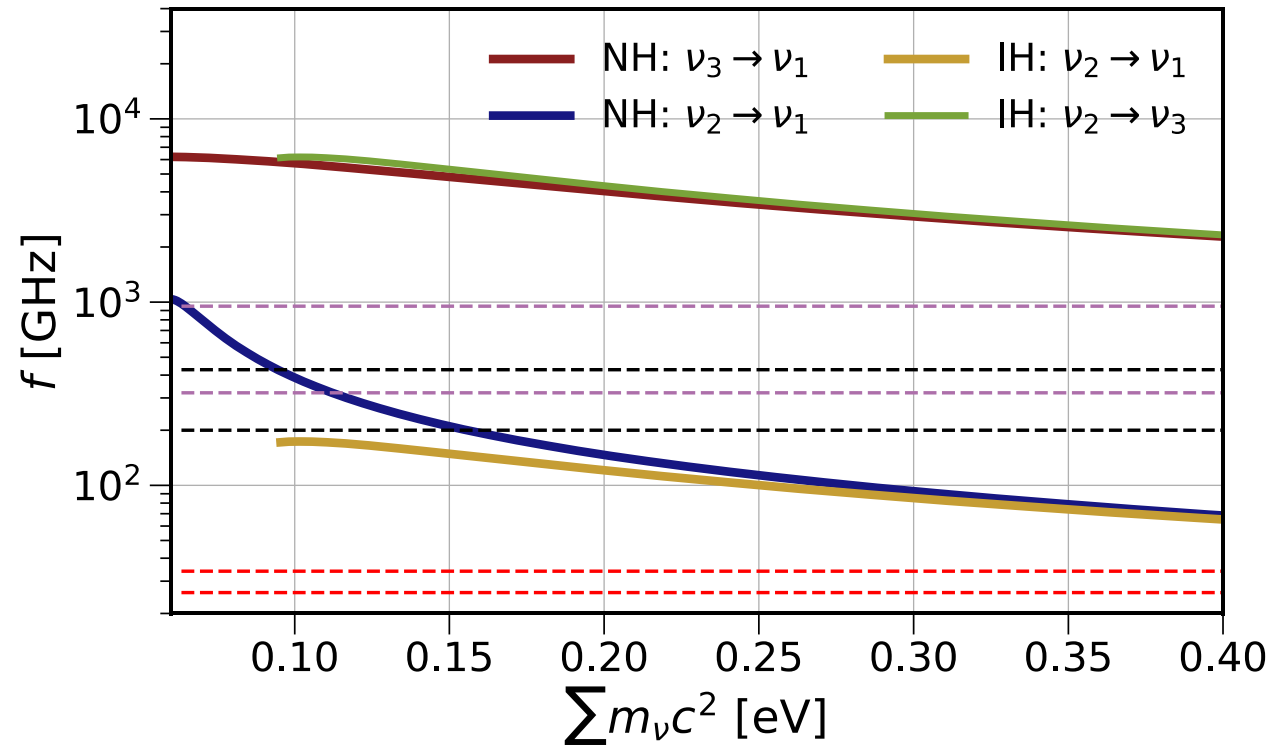
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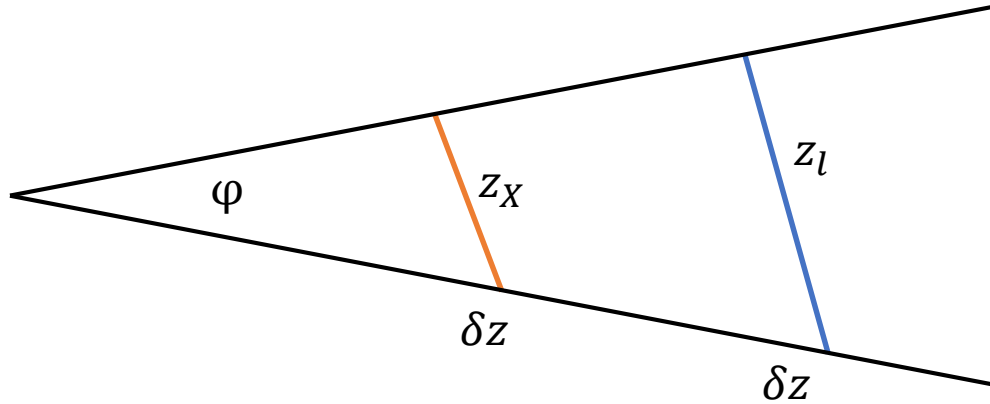
- Neutrino decay: $\nu_i \rightarrow \nu_j + \gamma$

$$f_{ij} = (m_i^2 - m_j^2)c^2 / 2h_P m_i \quad \rho_L^{ij}(\mathbf{x}, z) = \frac{1}{6} \rho_\nu(\mathbf{x}, z) c^2 \Gamma_{ij} \left(1 - \frac{m_j^2}{m_i^2} \right)$$

- Traces directly the cosmic neutrino density field

Effect in power spectrum

- Confusion in redshift

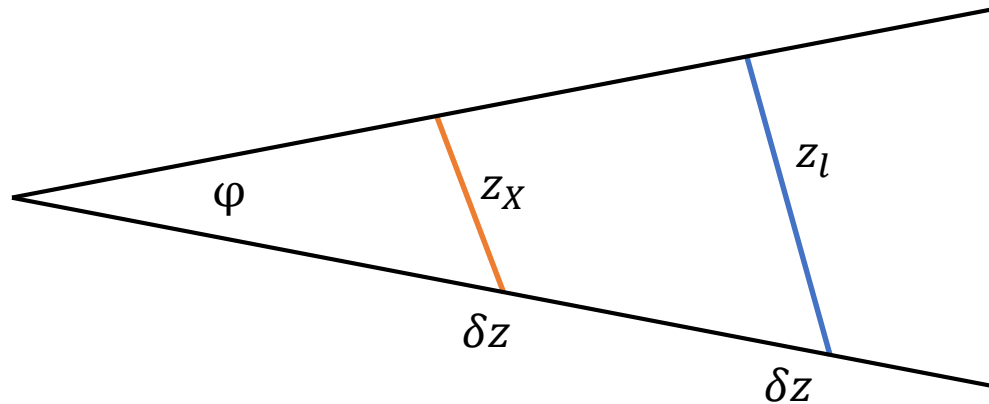


$$x_{\perp} = D_M(z)\theta$$

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- Confusion in redshift \rightarrow projection effects \rightarrow **extra anisotropy**



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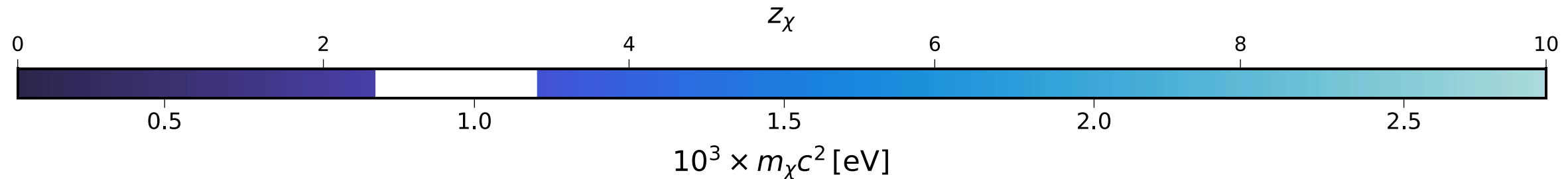
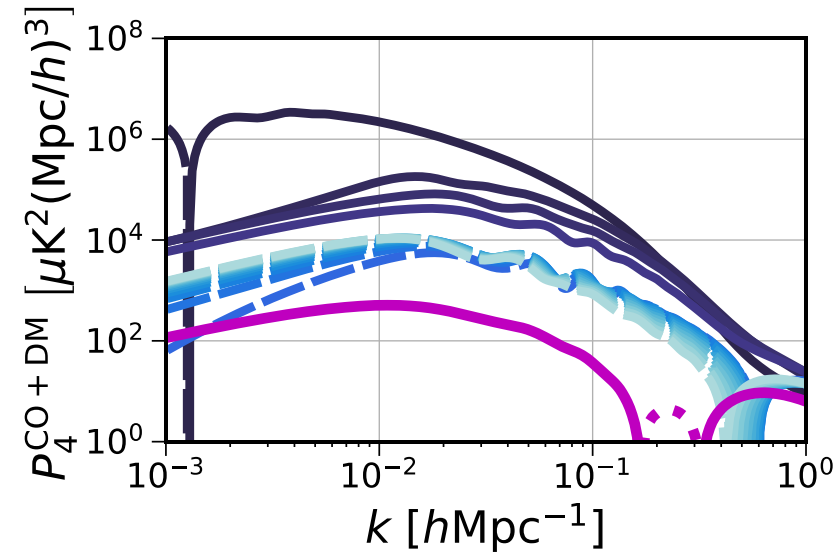
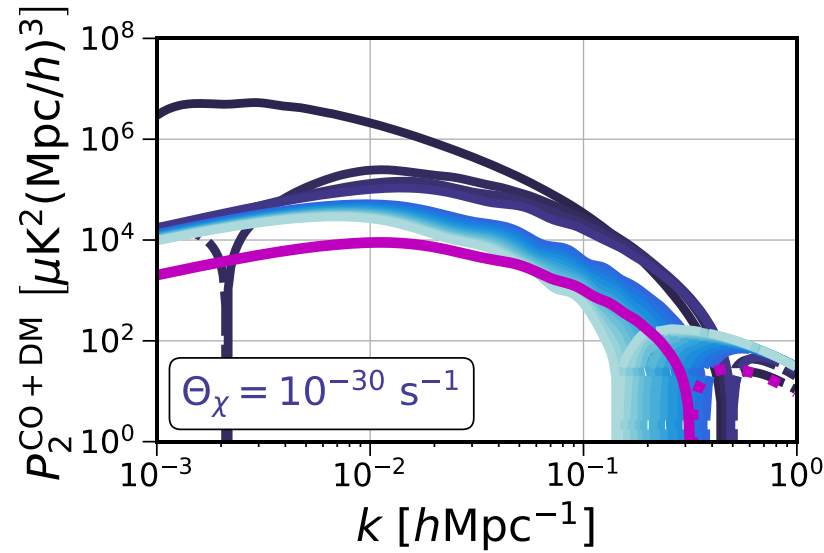
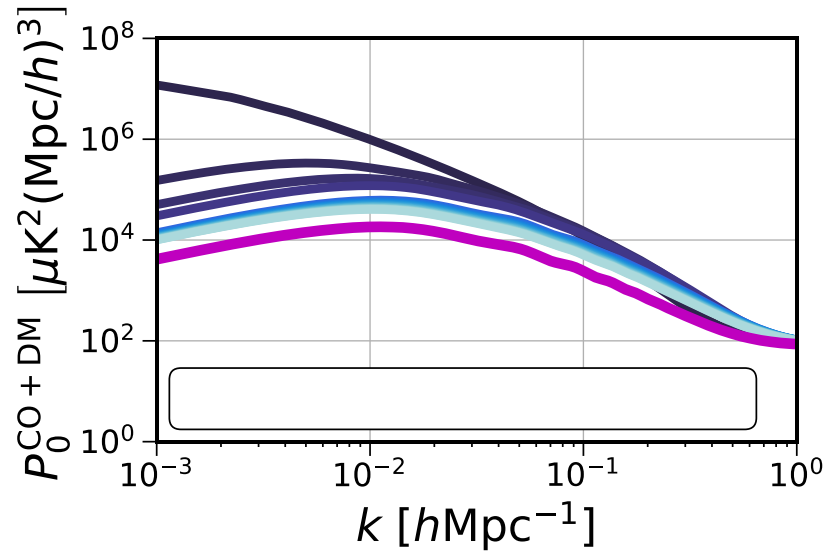
- Model it similar to Alcock-Paczynski effect: $k_i^{true} \equiv k_i^{infer} / q_i$

$$q_{\parallel} = \frac{(1 + z_X)/H(z_X)}{(1 + z_l)/H(z_l)}$$

$$q_{\perp} = \frac{D_M(z_X)}{D_M(z_l)}$$

Effect in power spectrum

- $P_{tot} = P_l + P_X$; $k_i^{true} \equiv k_i^{infer} / q_i$



Effect in VID

- Each voxel receives contributions from both emissions:

$$T_{tot} = T_l + T_{noise}$$

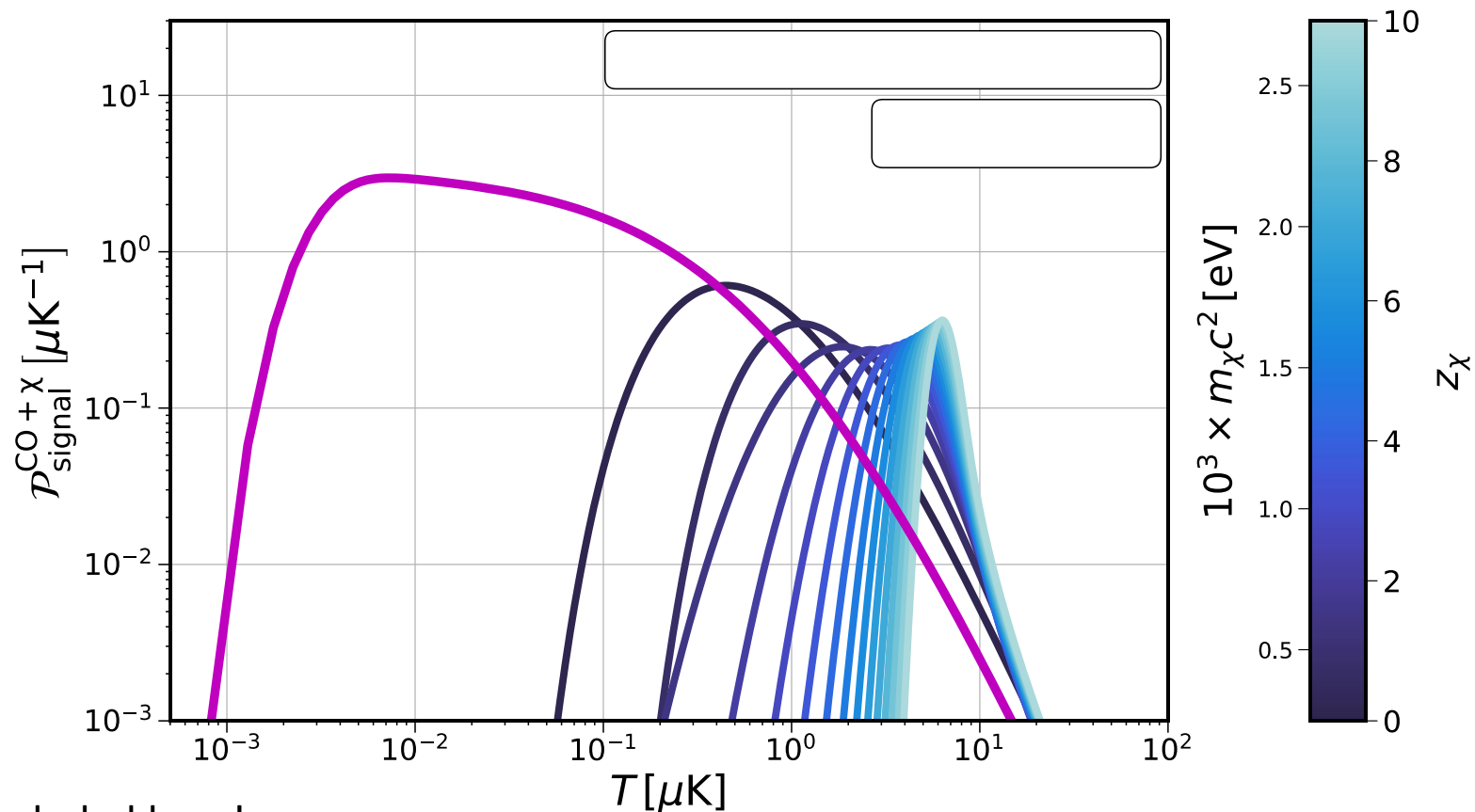
$$\mathcal{P}_{tot+X}(T) = ((\mathcal{P}_l * \mathcal{P}_X) * \mathcal{P}_{noise})(T); \quad \mathcal{P}_X = \mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\rho}} / \langle T_X \rangle$$

- $\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\rho}}$: PDF of normalized densities. Obtained from simulations
- We provide the first analytic fit to $\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\rho}_v}$, using Quijote simulations and symbolic regression

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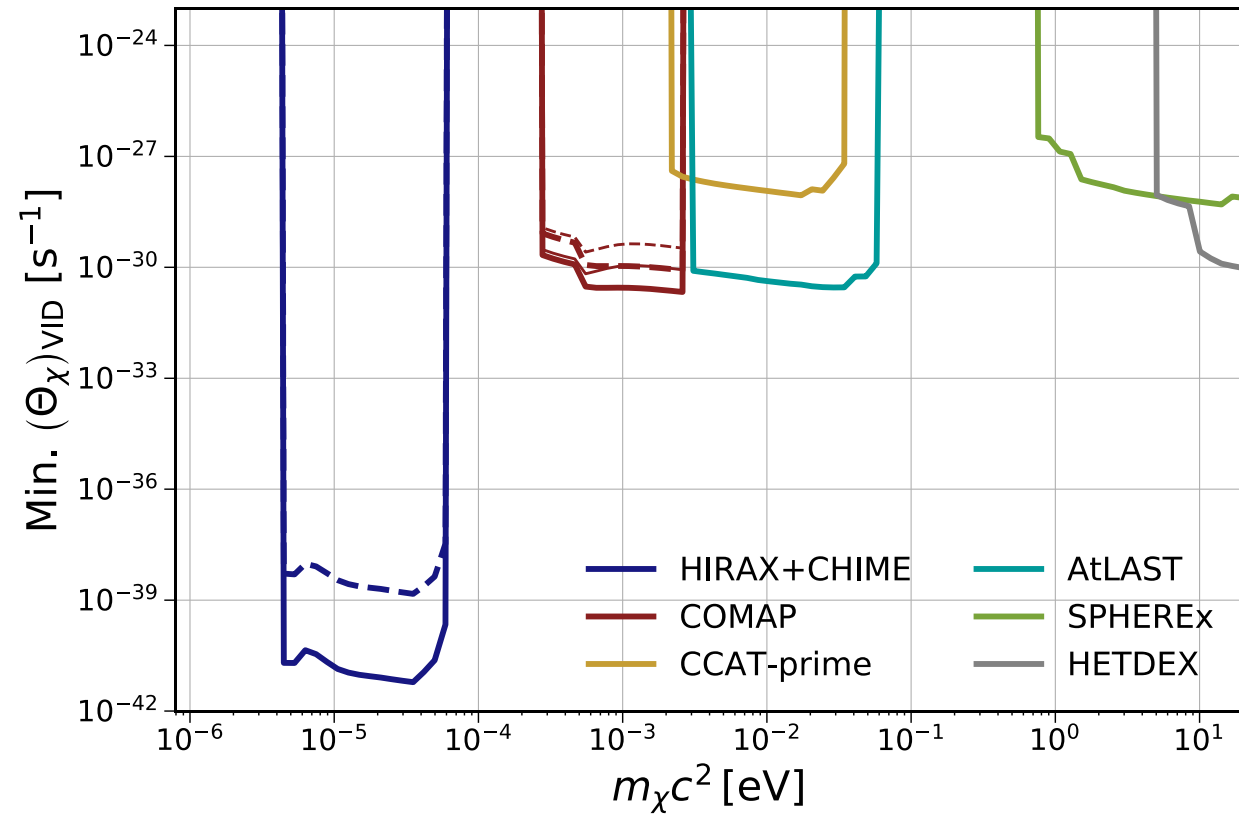
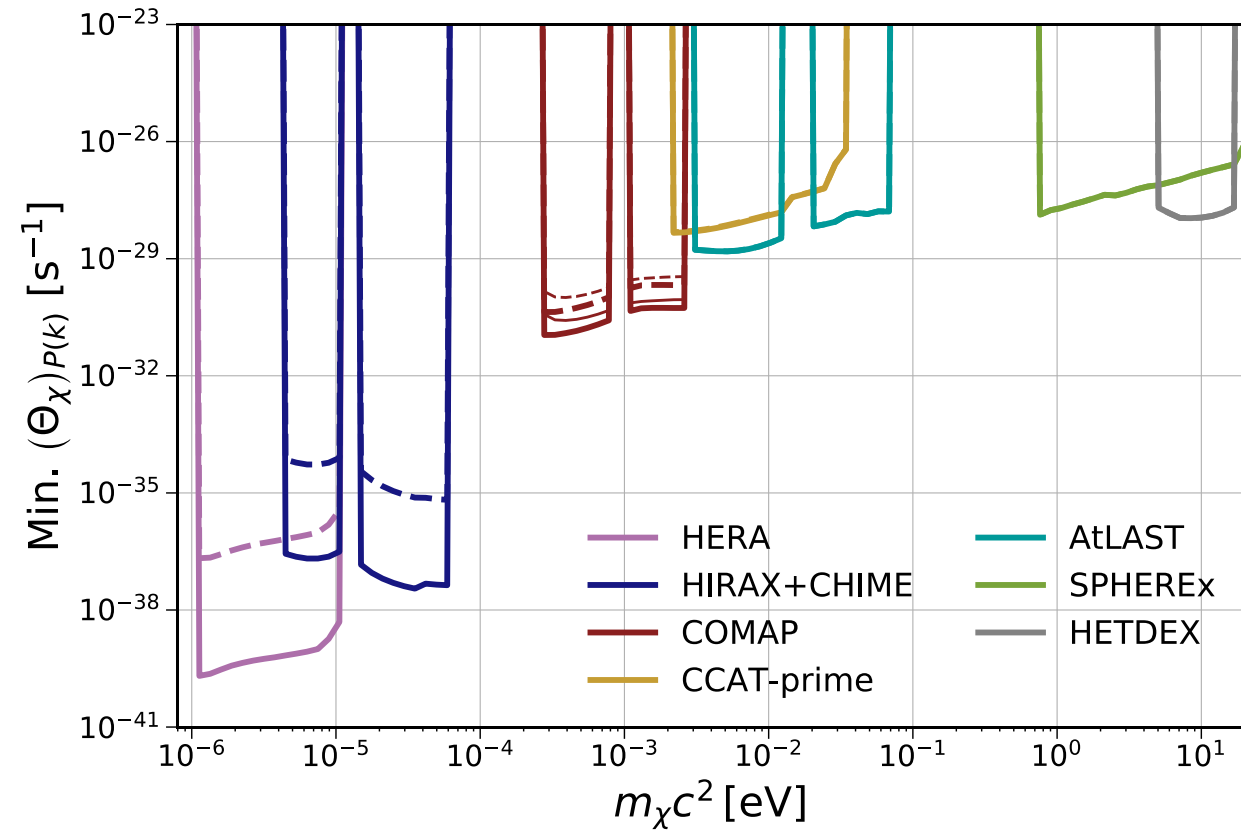
$$\mathcal{P}_{tot+\chi}(T) = \left((\mathcal{P}_l * \mathcal{P}_\chi) * \mathcal{P}_{noise} \right) (T); \quad \mathcal{P}_\chi = \mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\rho}} / \langle T_\chi \rangle$$



No noise contribution included here!

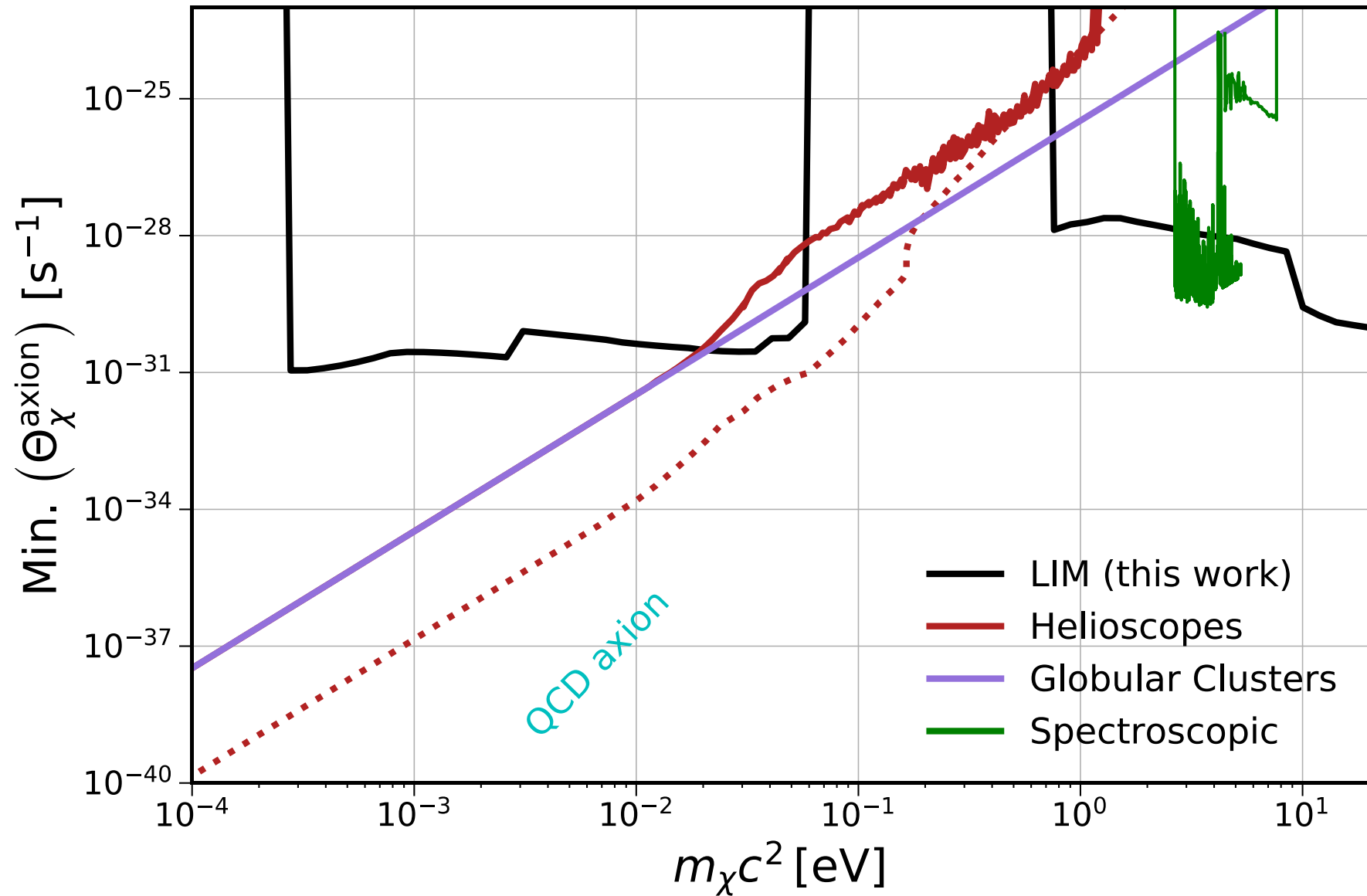
Sensitivity to DM decays

- After marginalizing over astrophysical uncertainties of the target emission line



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Sensitivity to axions



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Sensitivities to neutrino decay

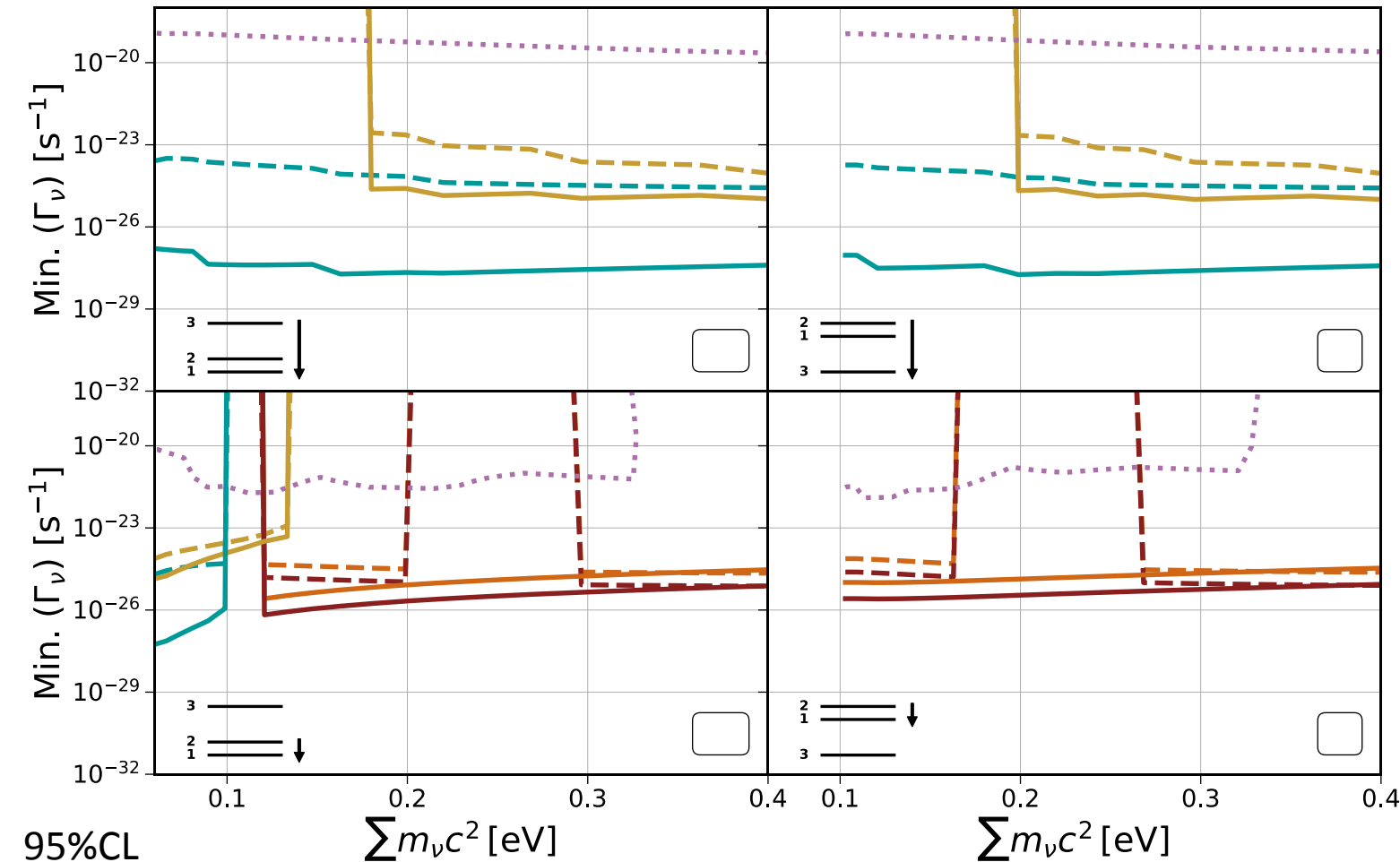


$$\Gamma_{ij} \sim 10^{-28} - 10^{-25} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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$$\mu_{ij}^{eff} \sim 10^{-12} - 10^{-8} \left(\frac{m_i c^2}{0.1 \text{ eV}} \right)^{1.5} \mu_B$$

- CMB forecast: $3 \times 10^{-11} - 10^{-8} \mu_B$
- Borexino: $< 2.8 \times 10^{-11} \mu_B$
- TRGB: $< 4.5 \times 10^{-12} \mu_B$



Challenges & improvements

- Challenges:
 - Astrophysical uncertainties: marginalized over them
 - Other contaminants: modeled loss information
 - Line broadening
- Reasons to be optimistic:
 - Extendable to other statistics
 - Combination with cross-correlations with galaxy clustering and weak lensing
 - Confusion between DM and neutrino decays: characteristic differences when combining summary statistics and probes
 - Targeted masking to increase relative exotic contributions

Conclusions

- LIM holds a great potential to probe exotic radiative decays
- Adapting techniques to identify and model interlopers is cheap and powerful
- General treatment, for phenomenological DM and neutrino decays that can be translated later to specific models
- Sensitivity extremely competitive:
 - DM: HETDEX & SPHEREx will improve current constraints (1-10 eV) and AtLAST will be similar to IAXO (0.01-0.1 eV)
 - Neutrinos: Improve CMB forecasts and competitive with best constraints