

Energetic Light Dark Matter and High Energy Electron Recoil in Direct Detection Experiments

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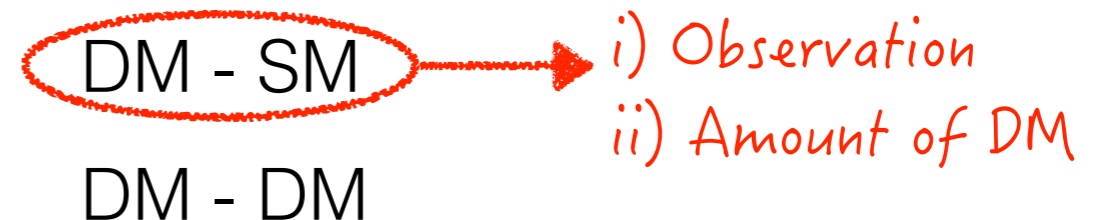
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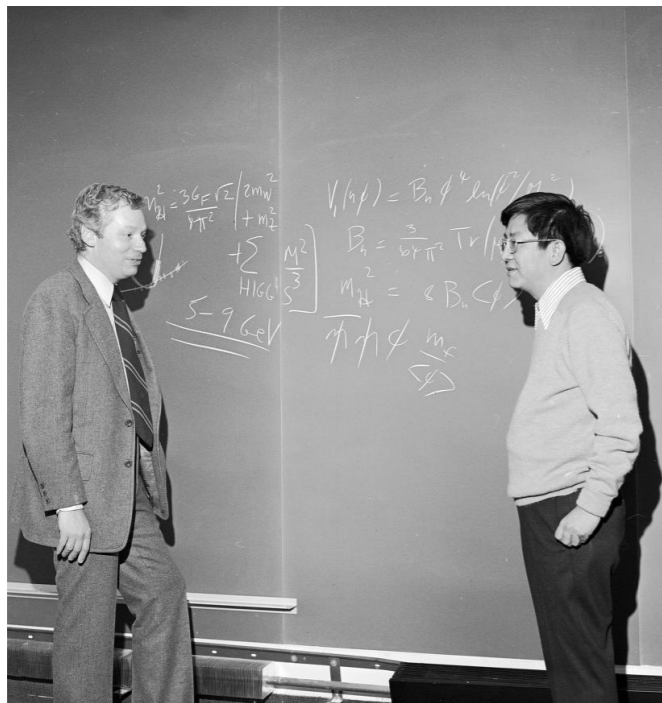
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Preferred candidate so far was

Weakly Interacting Massive Particle (WIMP)



- Weak scale mass: $O(1 \sim 100) \times$ proton mass
- Weak interaction with the SM particles:
about $< 10^{-12}$ (in cross section) smaller than EM

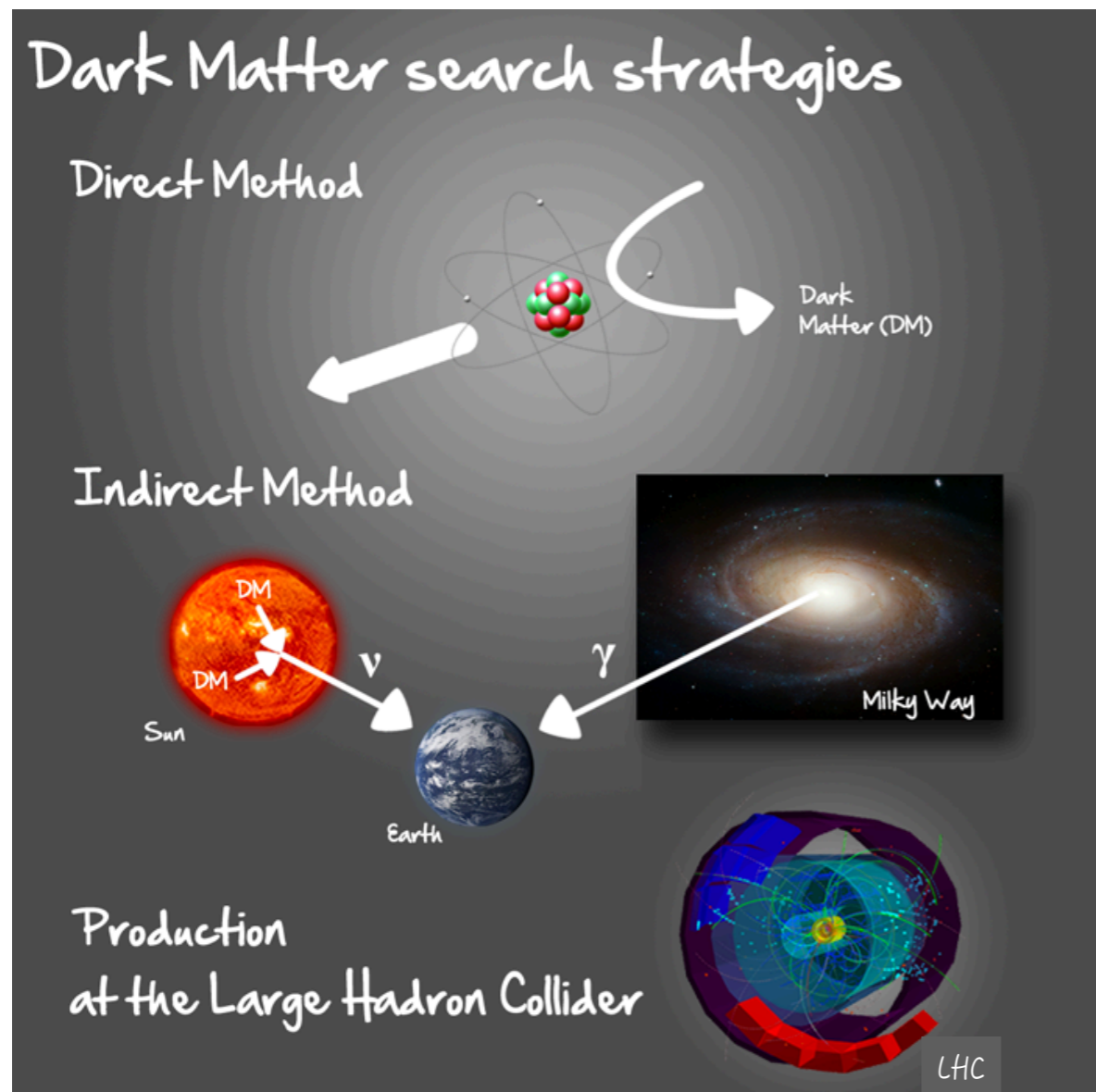
Byproduct of many BSM theories
for resolving the hierarchy problem

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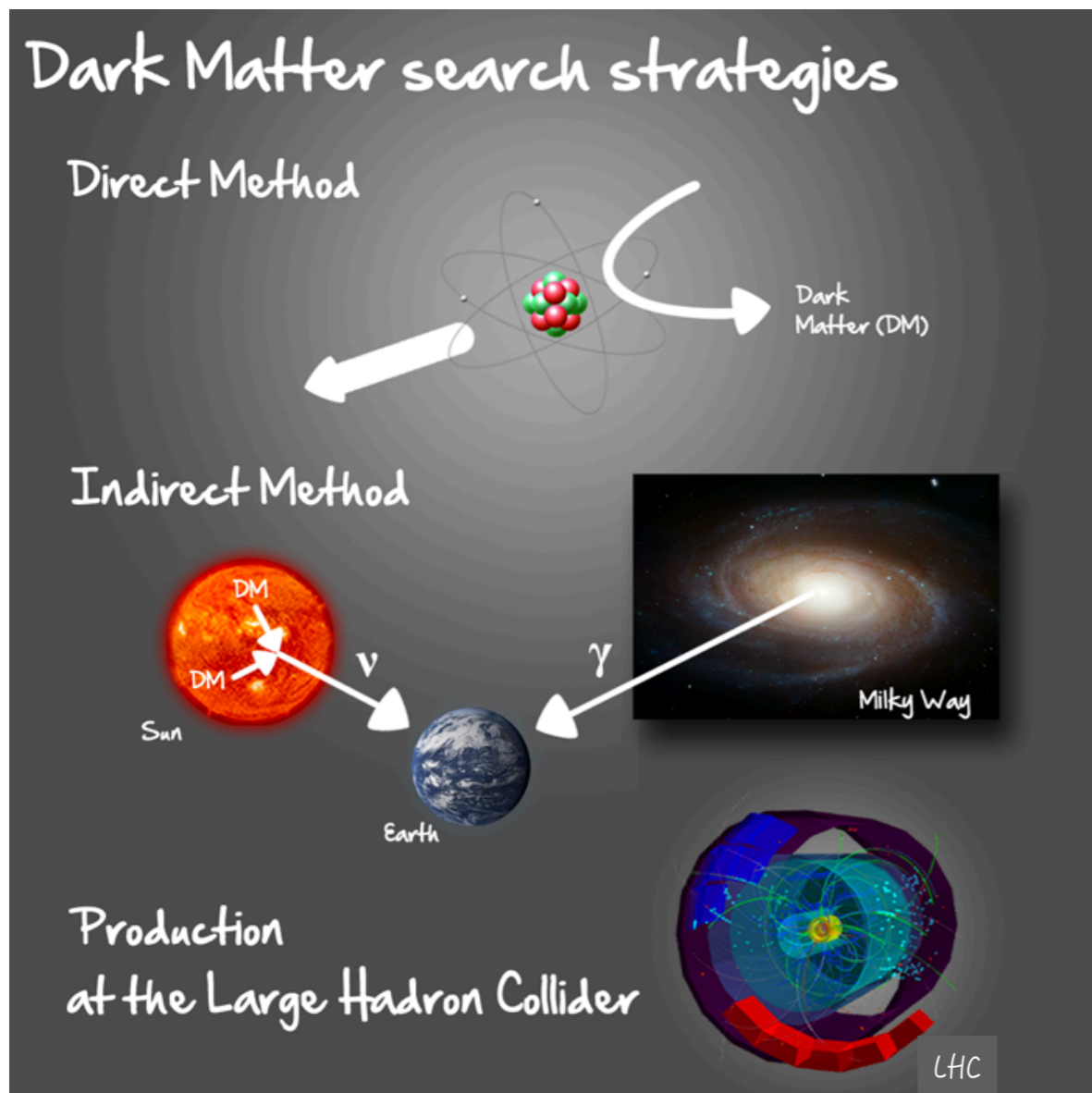
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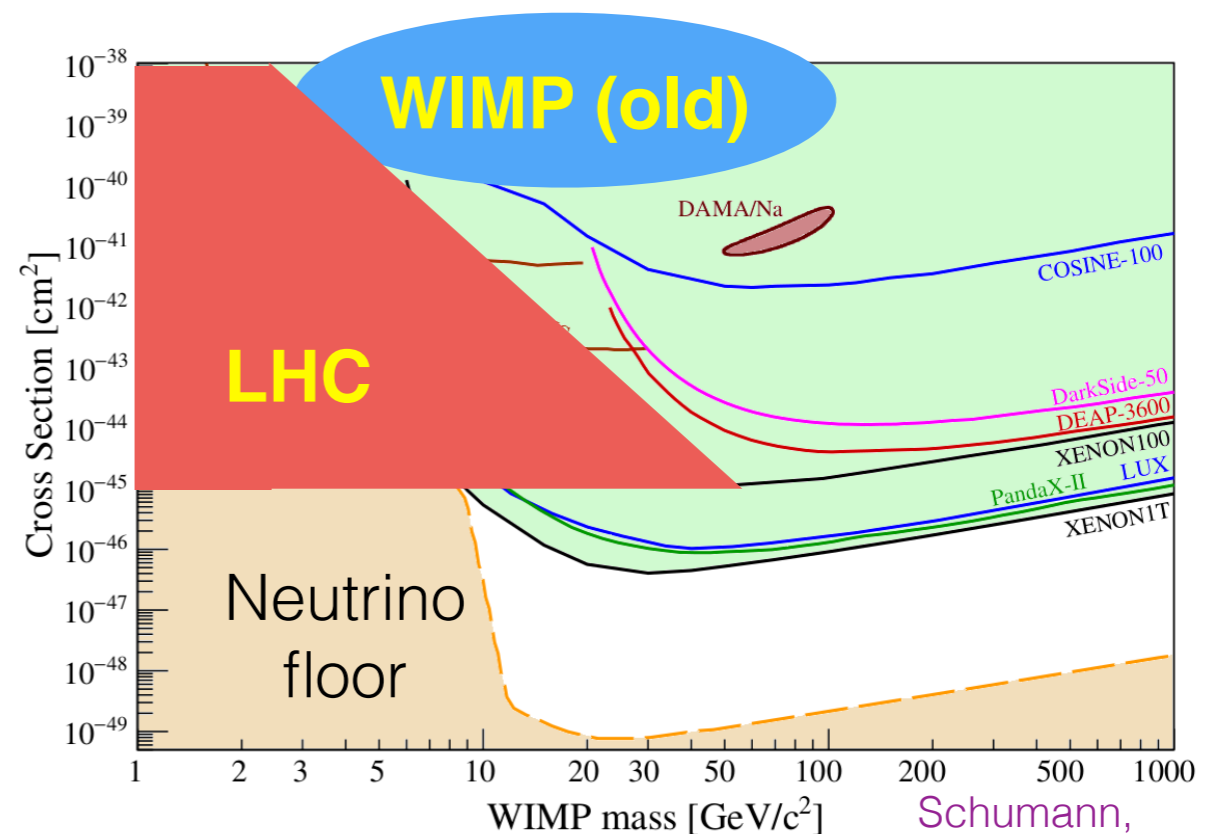
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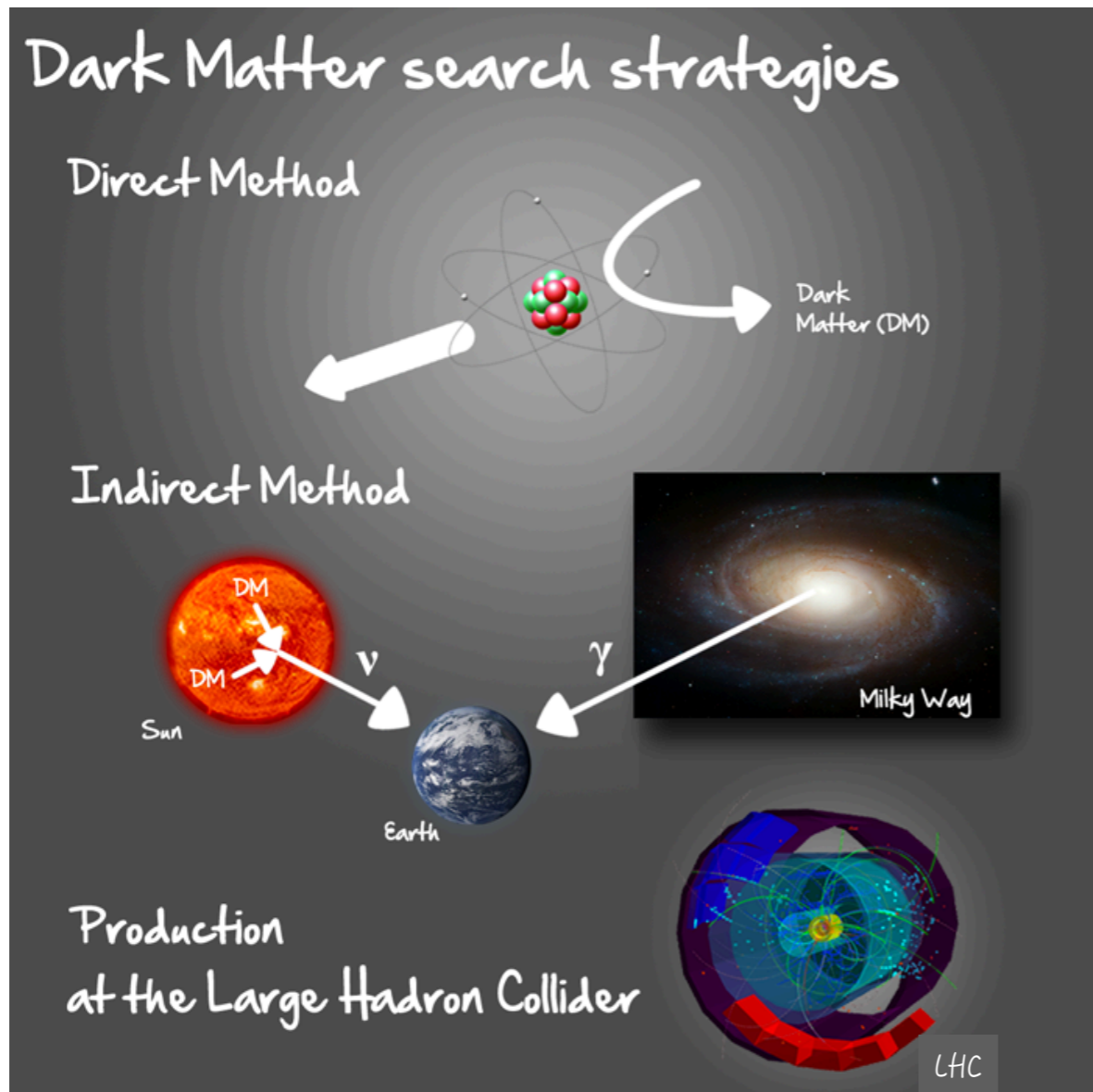
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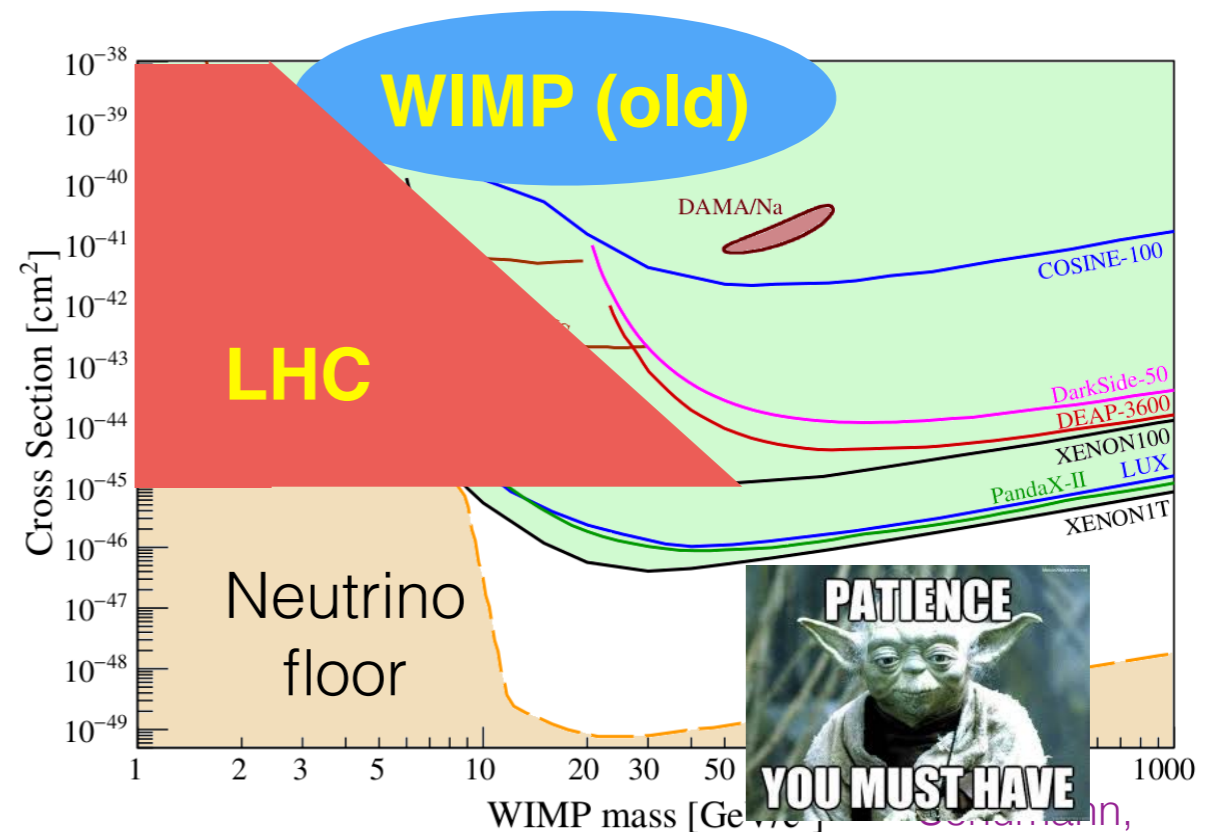
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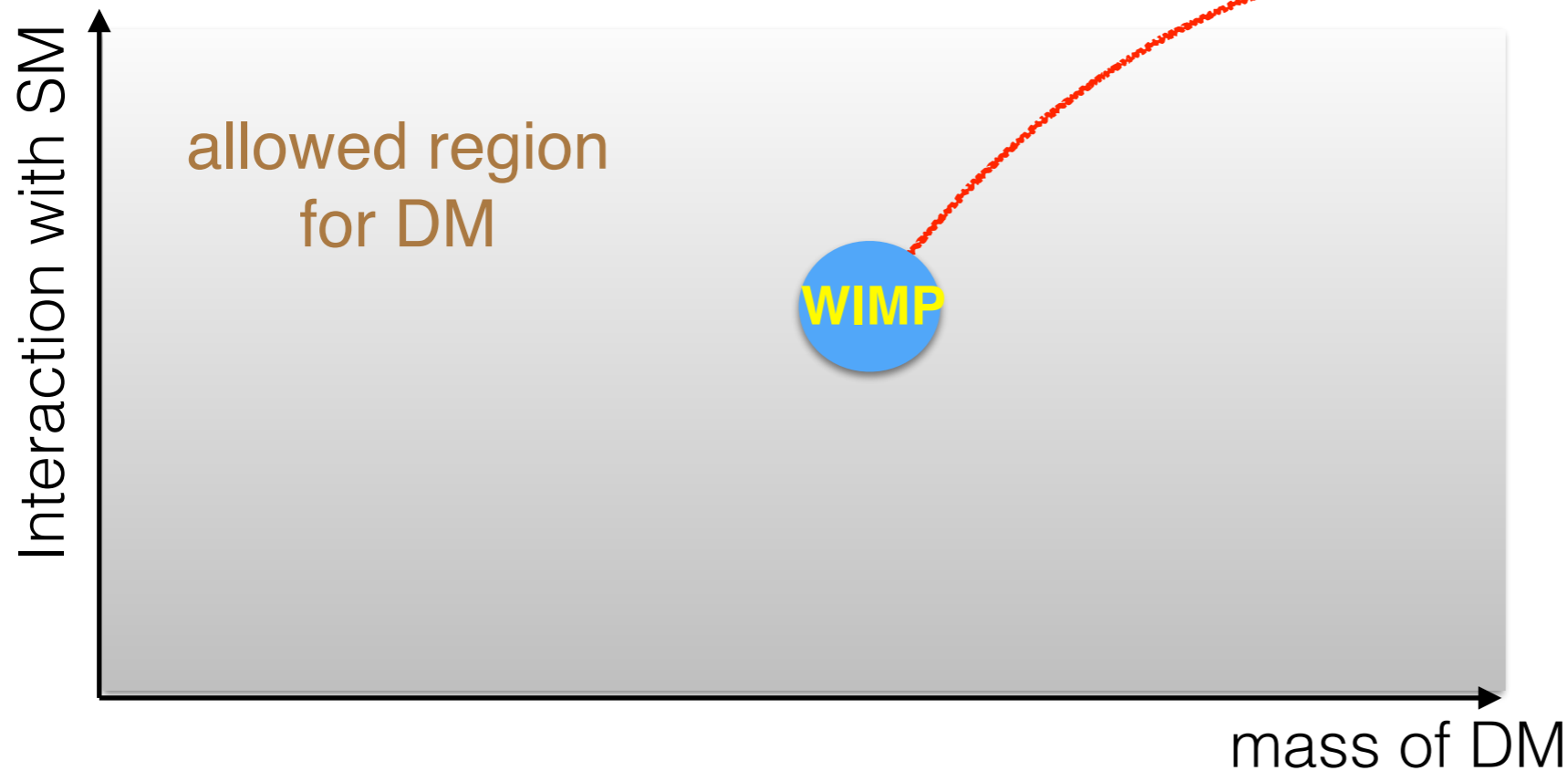


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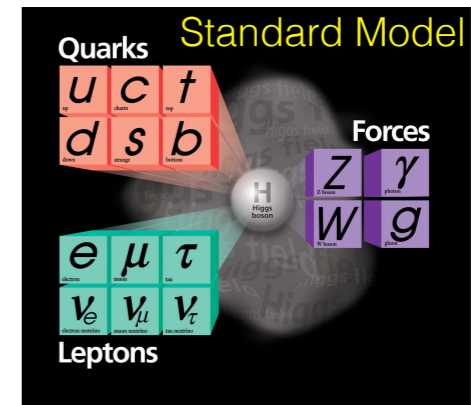


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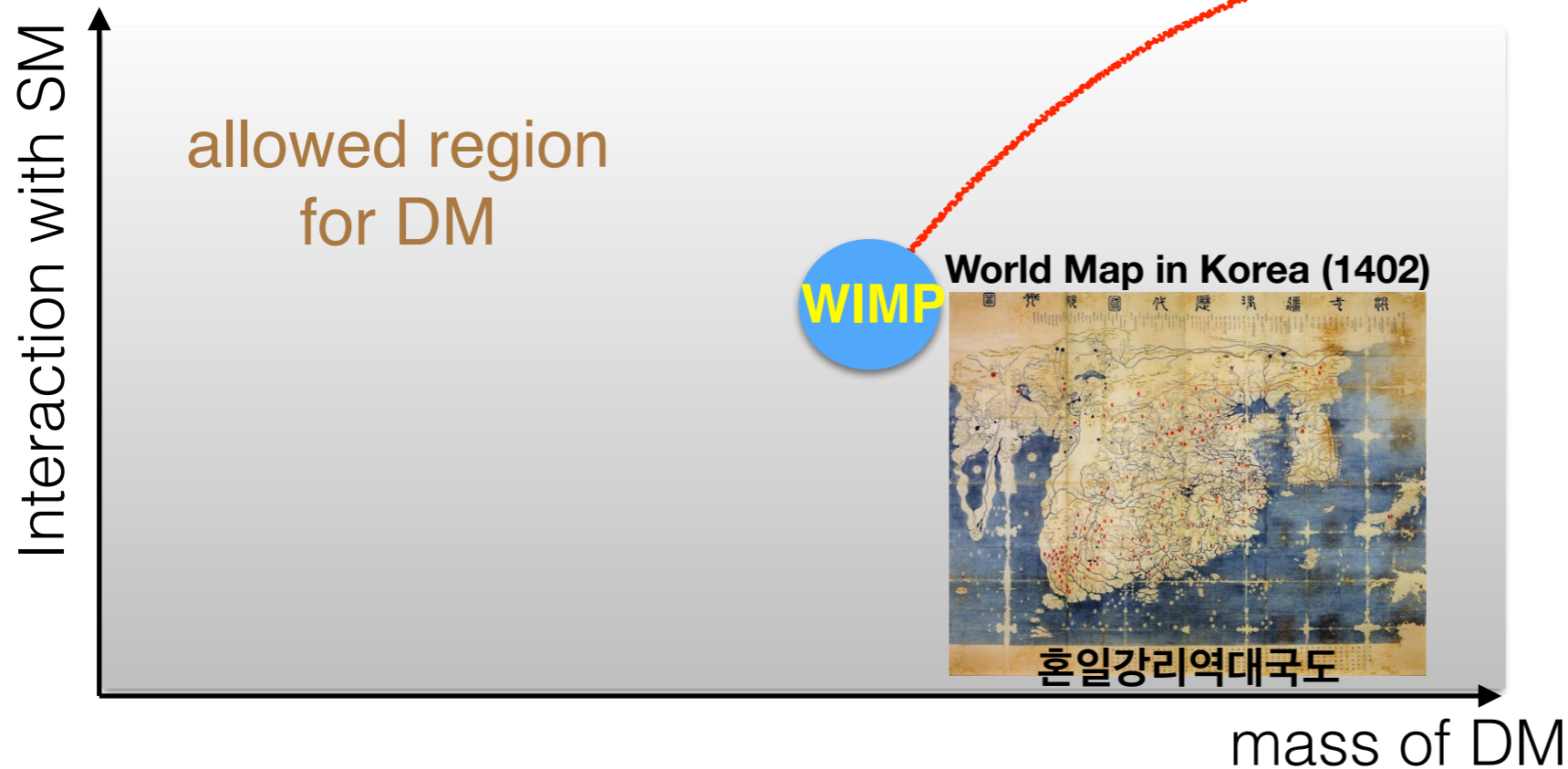


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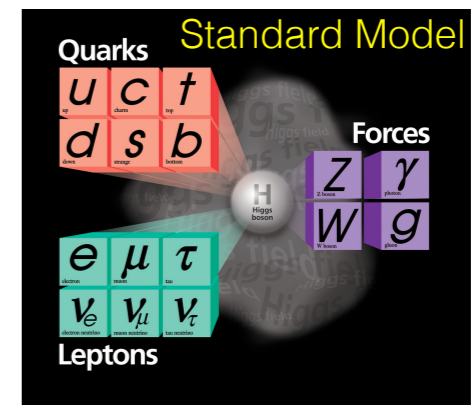


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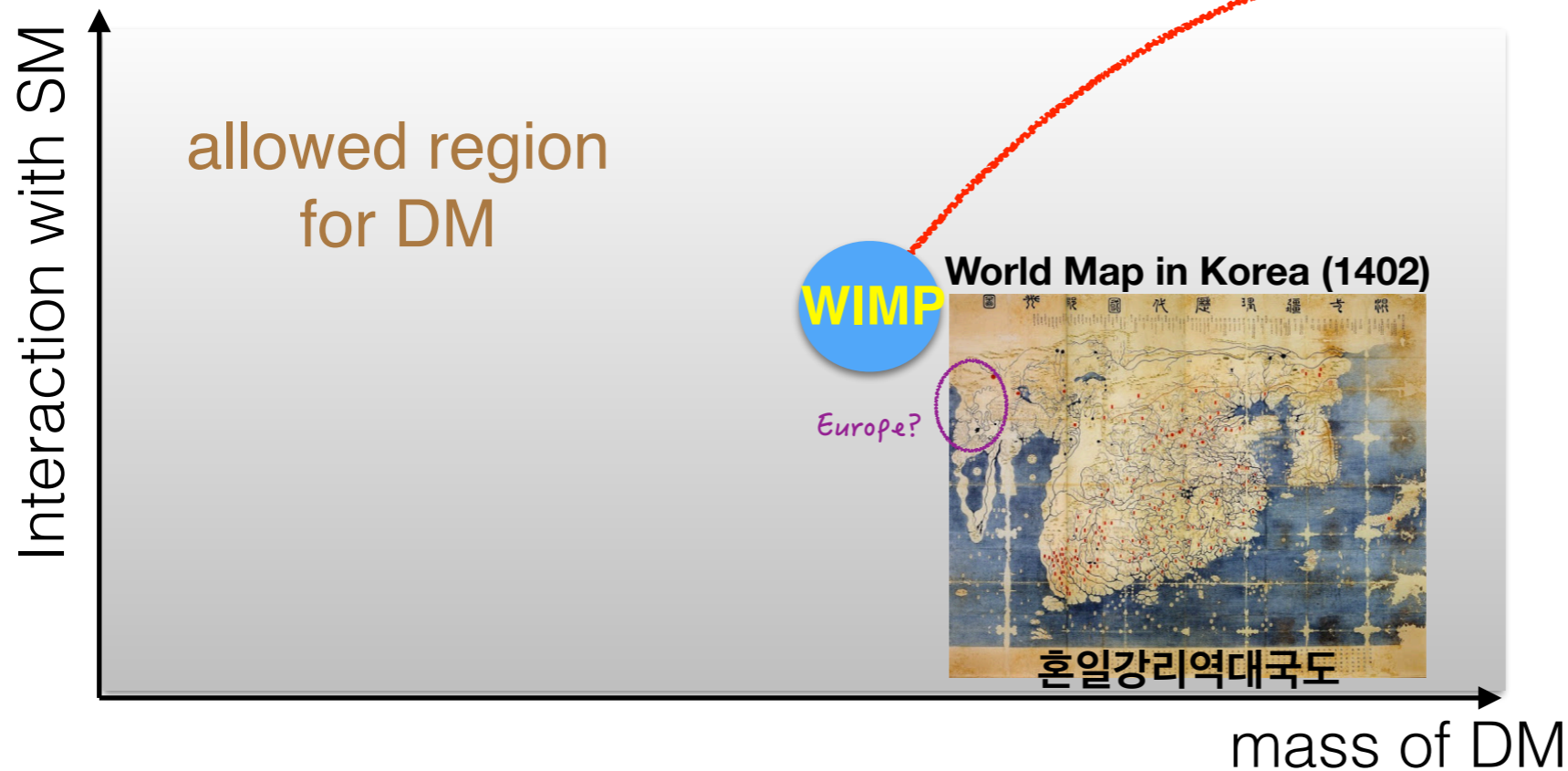


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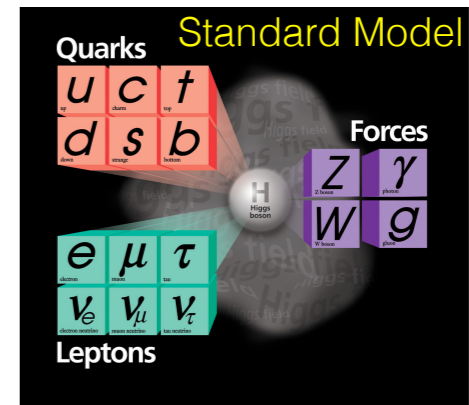


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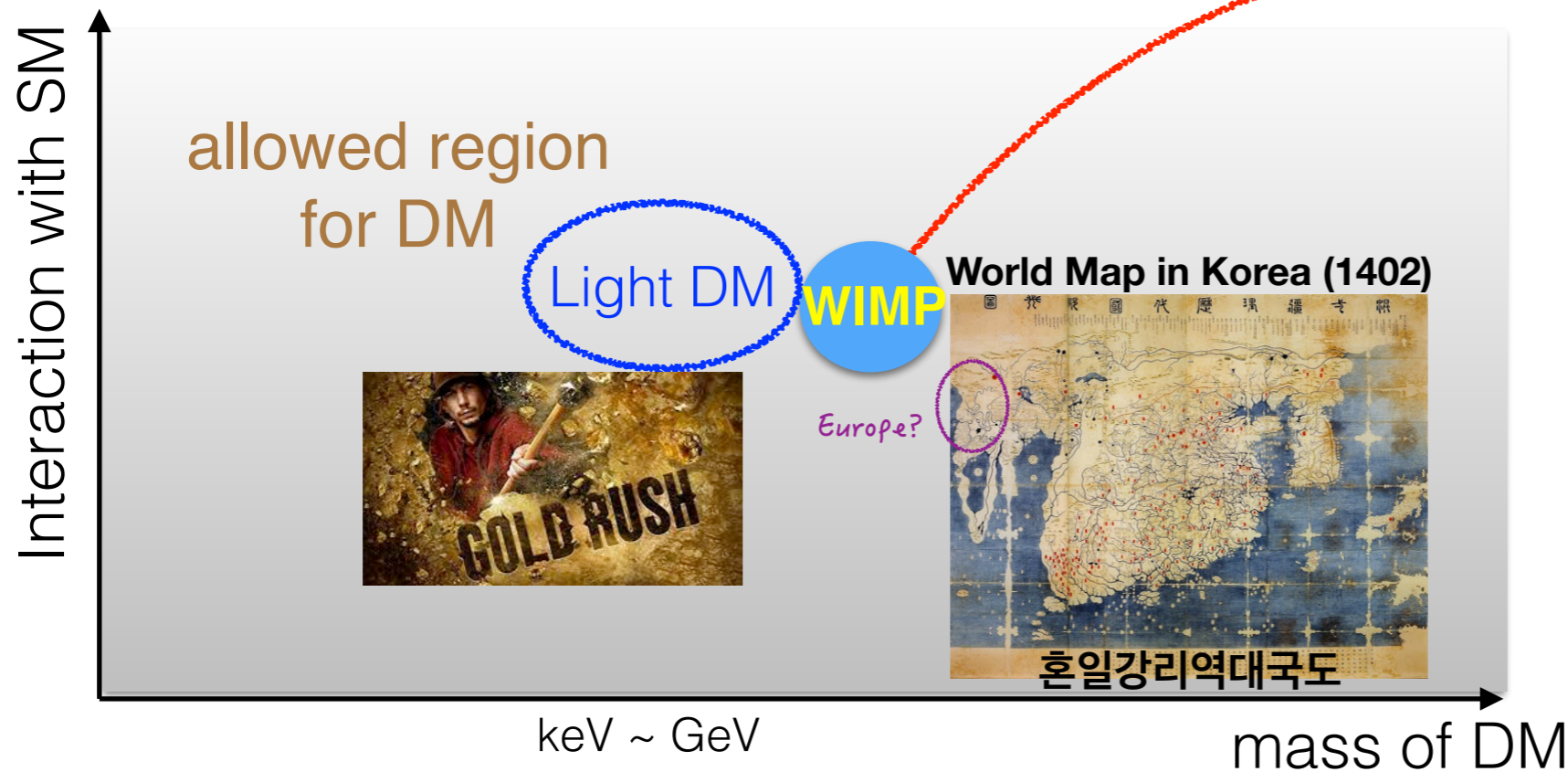


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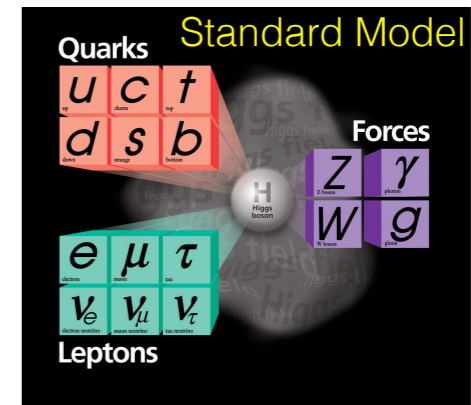


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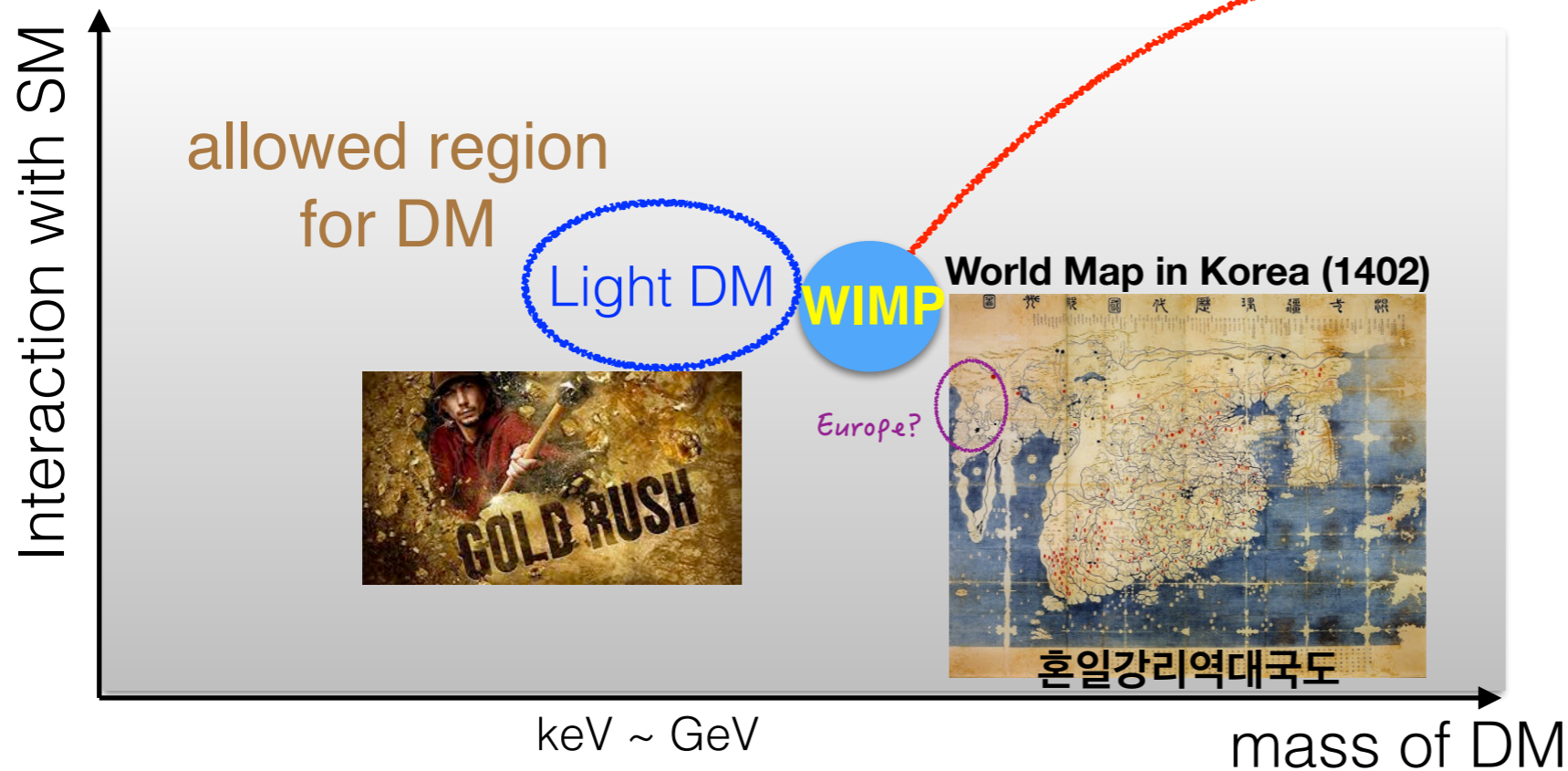
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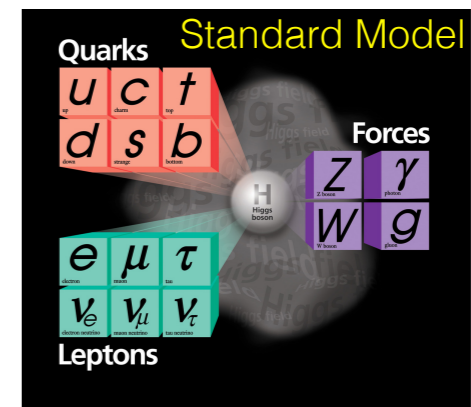
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- Scattering with energetic background

Yin, 1809.08610 Ema, Sala, Sato, PRL 2019

Cappiello, Ng, Beacom, PRD 2019 Jho, Park, Park, Tseng, 2021

- Production in an astrophysical object providing large kinetic energy, e.g., SN

DeRocco, Graham, Kasen, Marques-Tavares, Rajendran, PRD 2019



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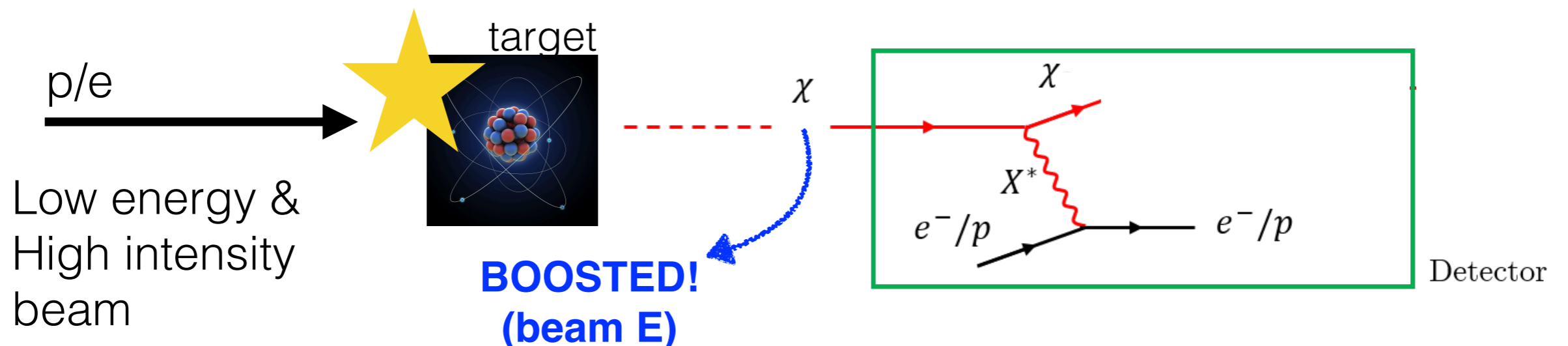
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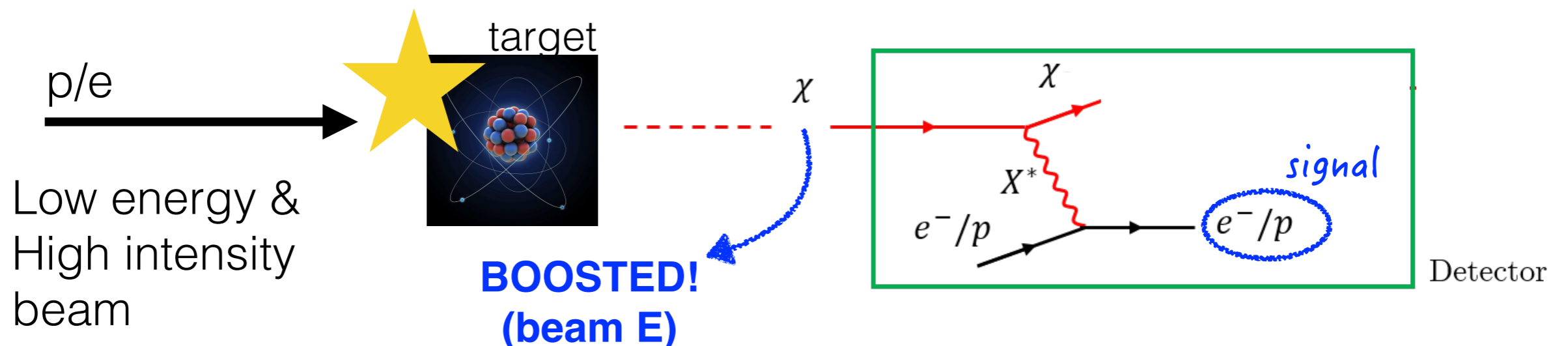
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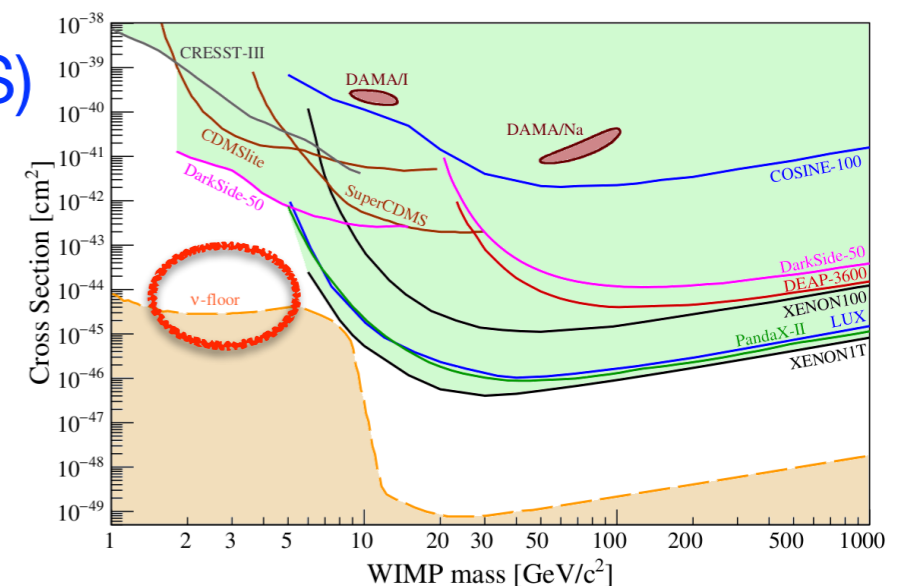
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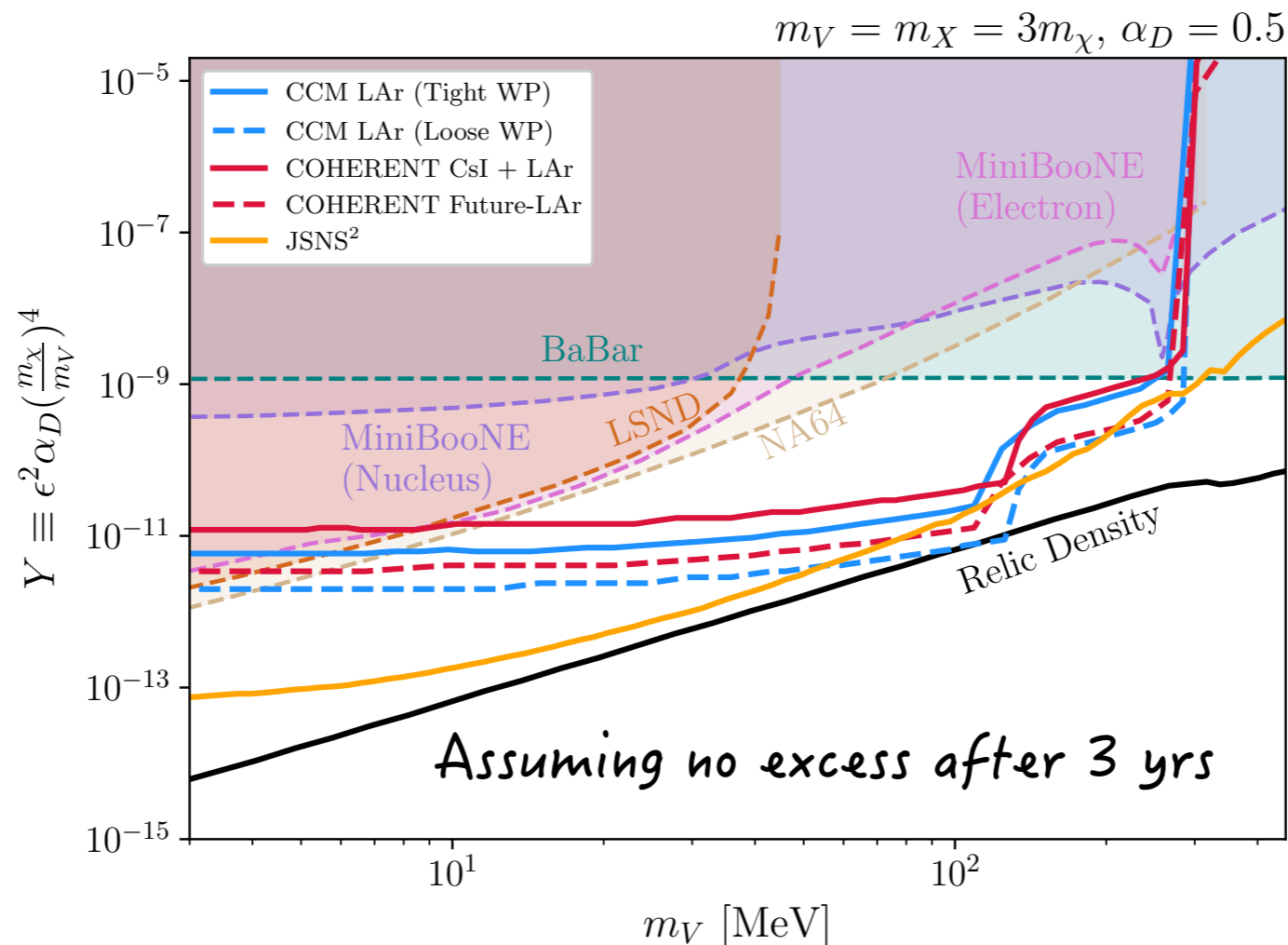
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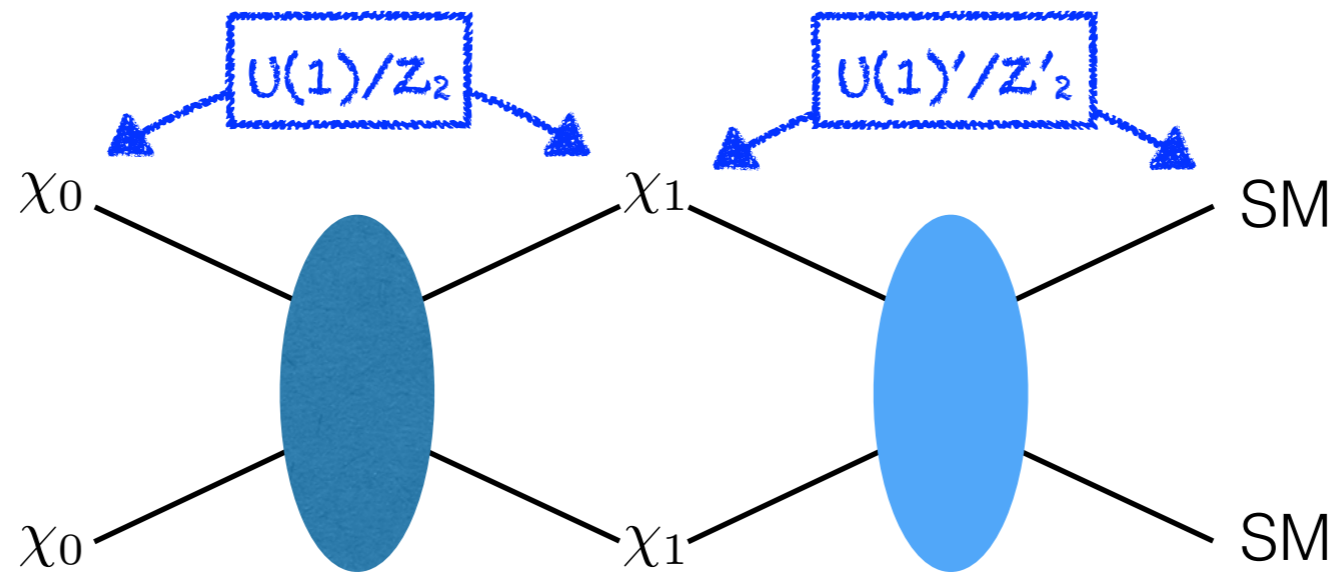


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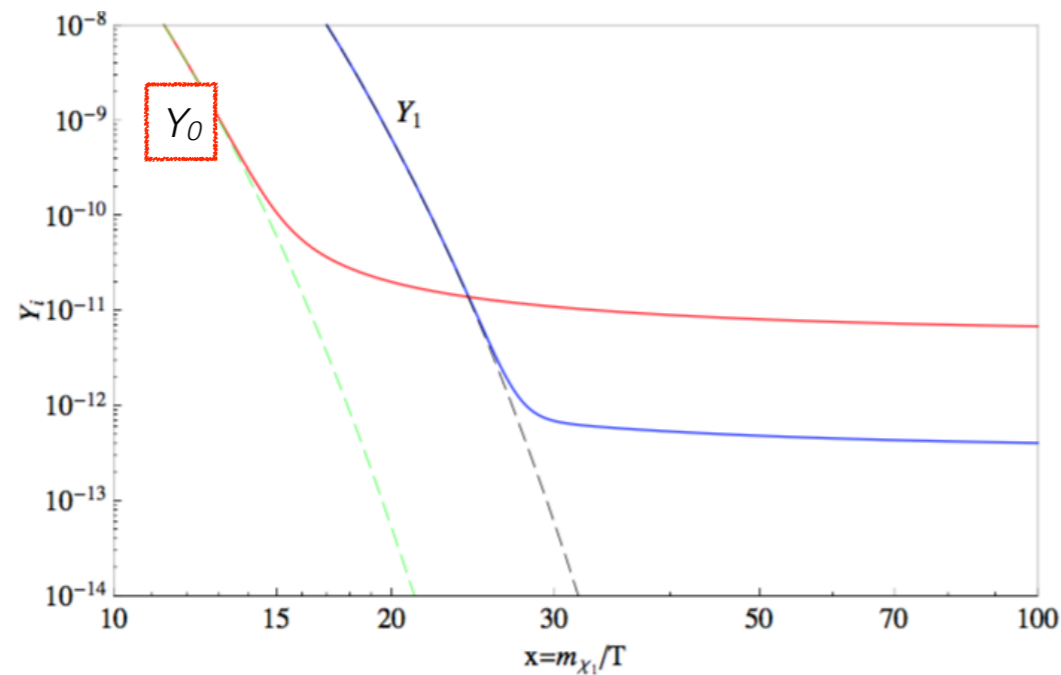
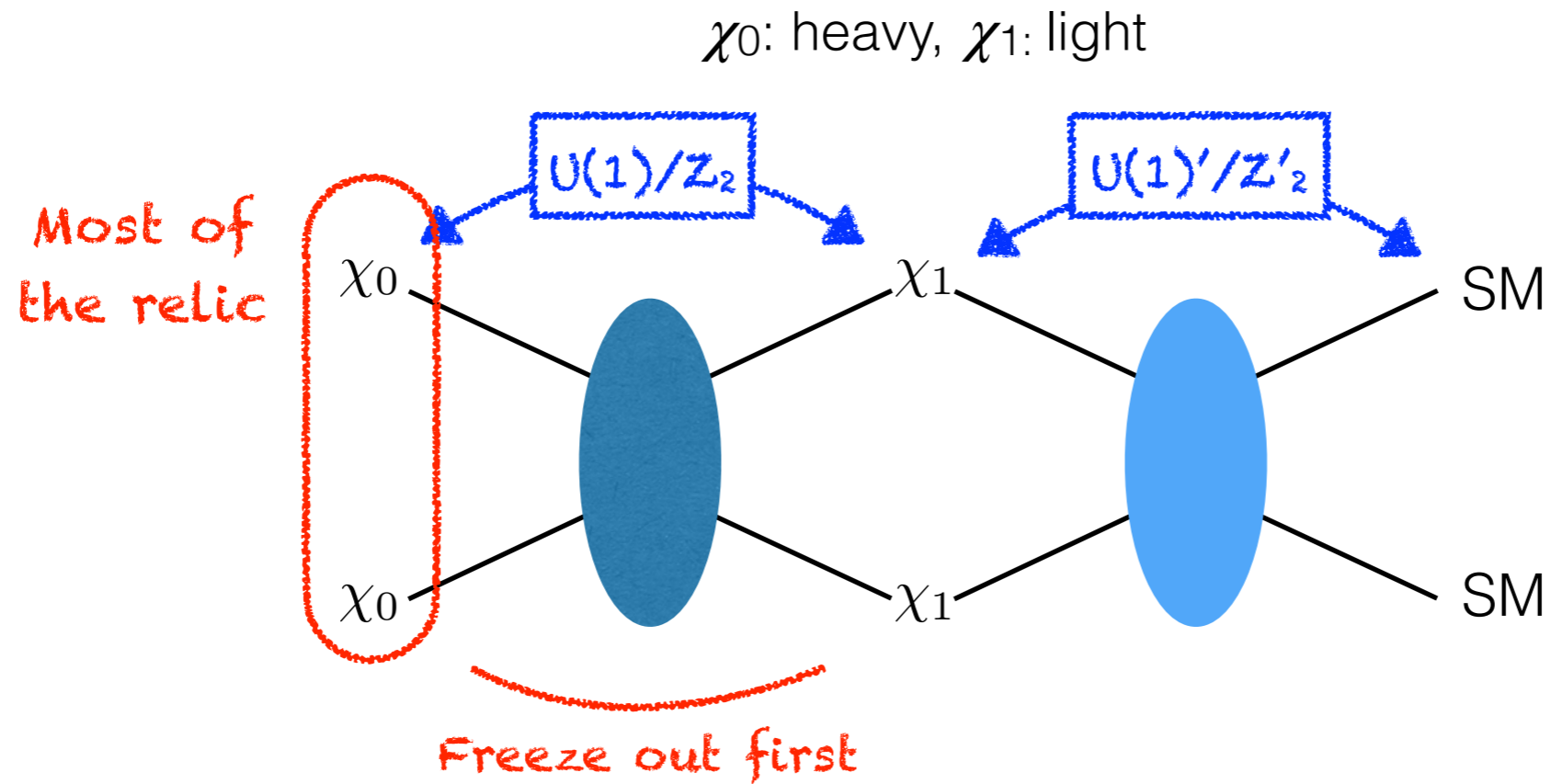
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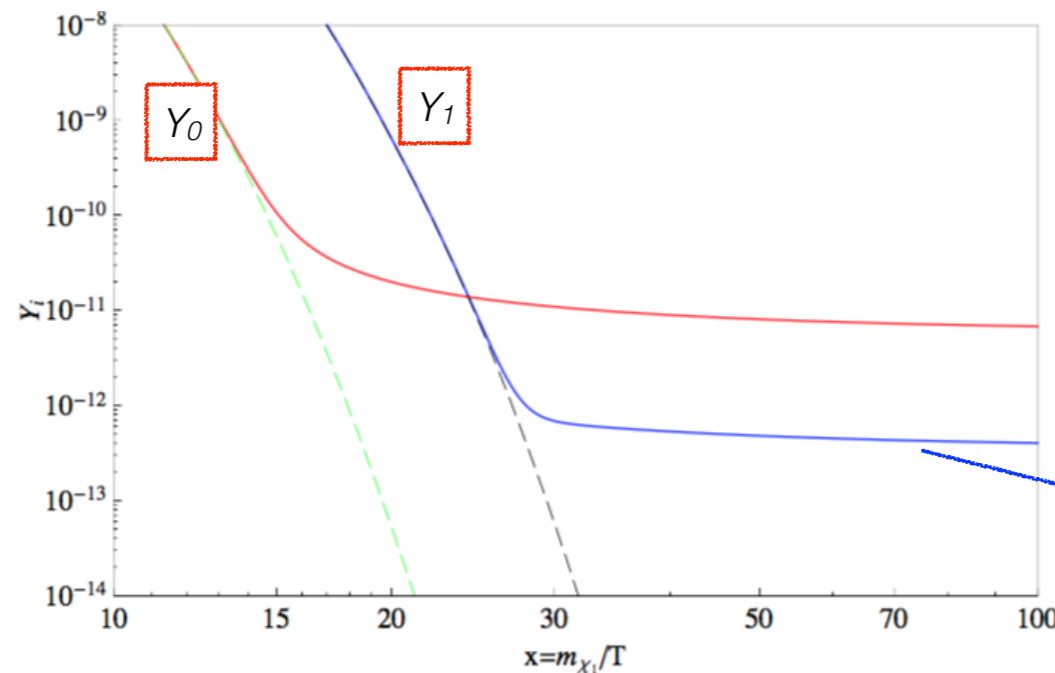
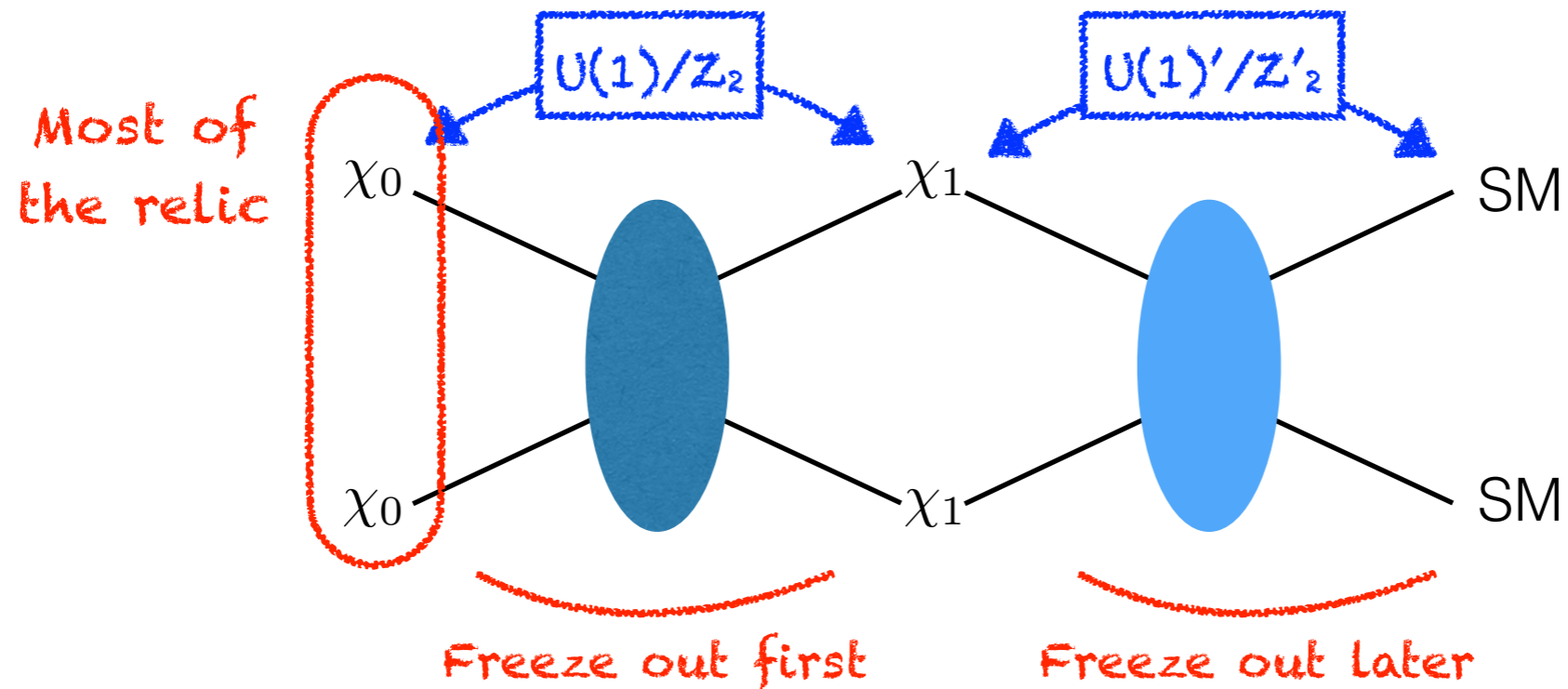
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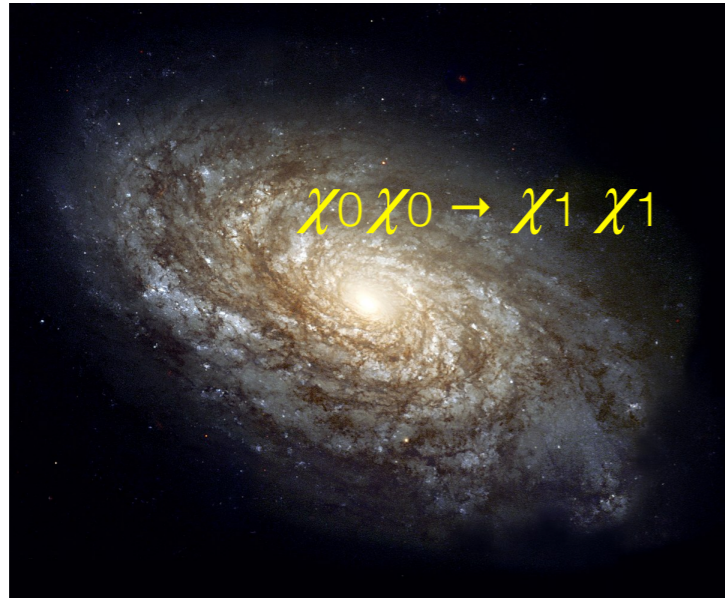
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Assisted freeze-out mechanism

non-relativistic relic χ_1 (negligible)

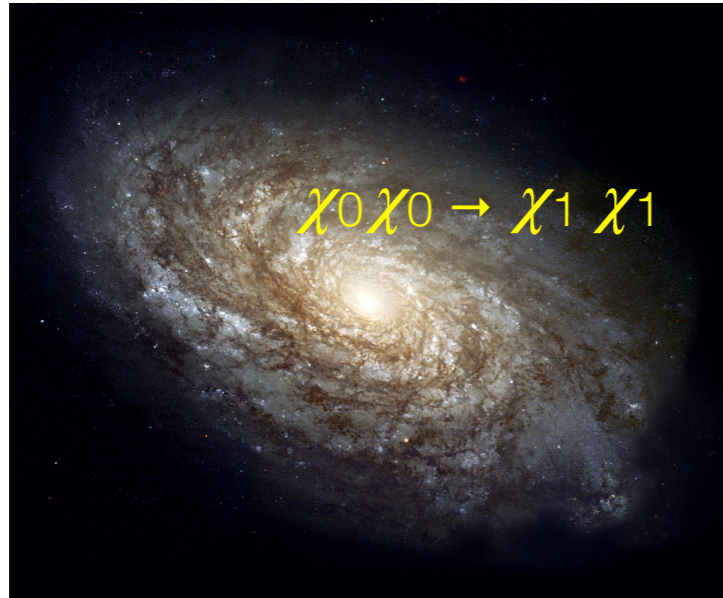
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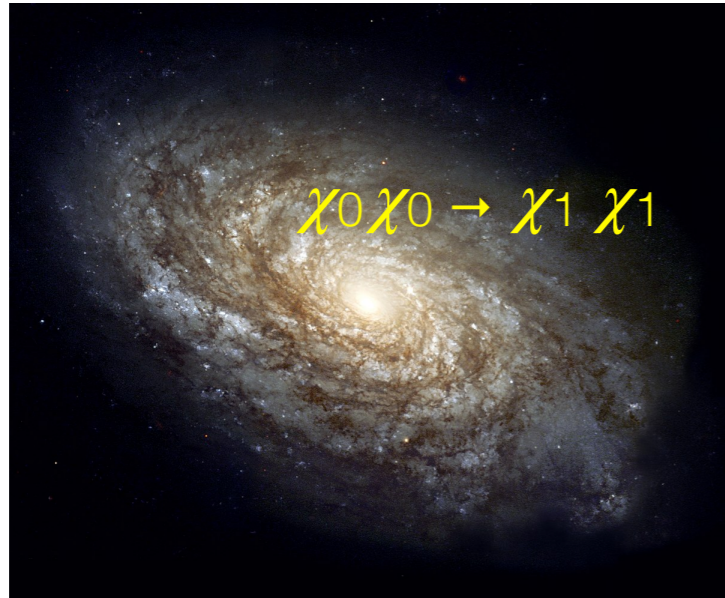
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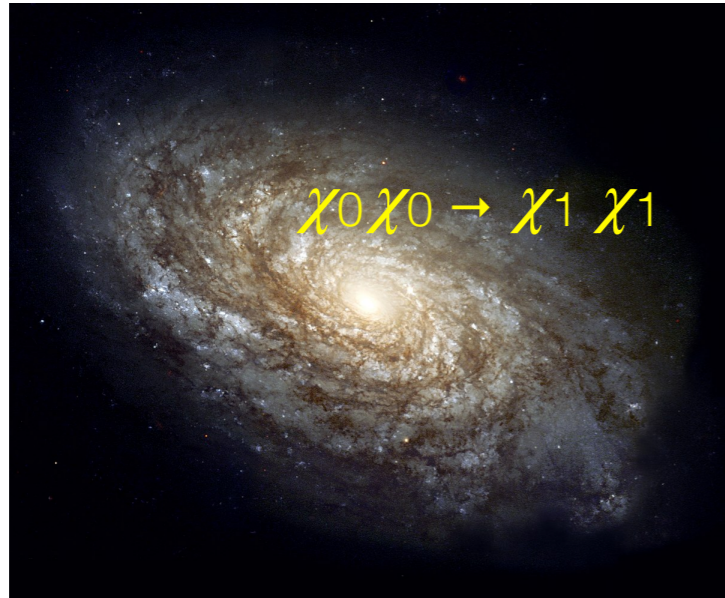
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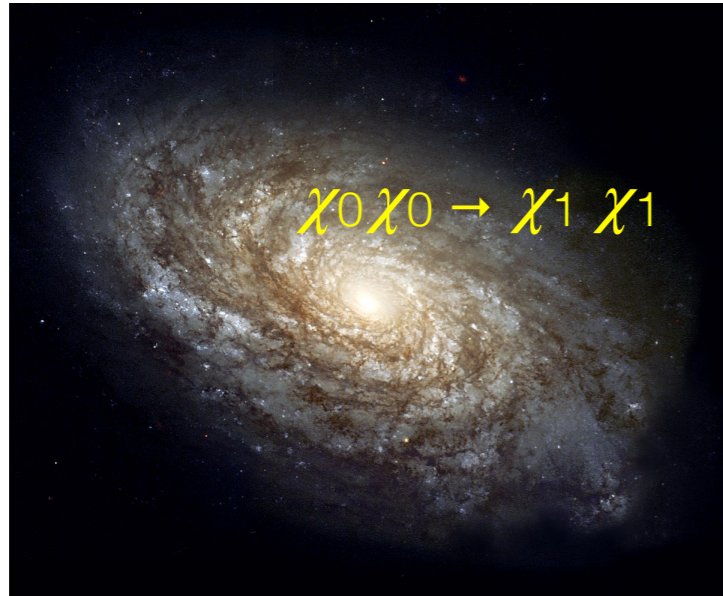
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larger

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Multi-component BDM



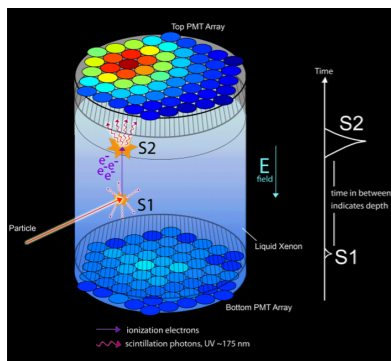
- χ_0 : accumulated
(GC, Sun, dSphs)
- $\chi_0\chi_0 \rightarrow \chi_1\chi_1$ (current universe) **relativistic**
 ※ relic χ_1 is non-relativistic

Observe χ_1 scattering off target with $E_1 > E_{th}$
(indirect detection of χ_0)

$$\text{Flux of } \chi_1 \simeq 1.6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \times \left(\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{0 \rightarrow 1}}{5 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}} \right) \times \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{m_0} \right)^2$$

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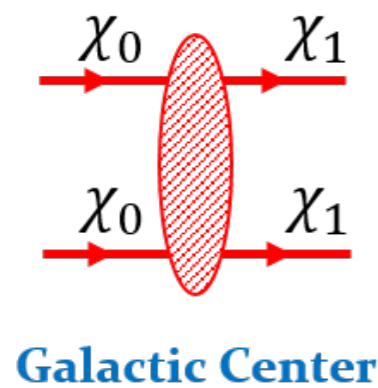
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Inelastic BDM (iBDM)

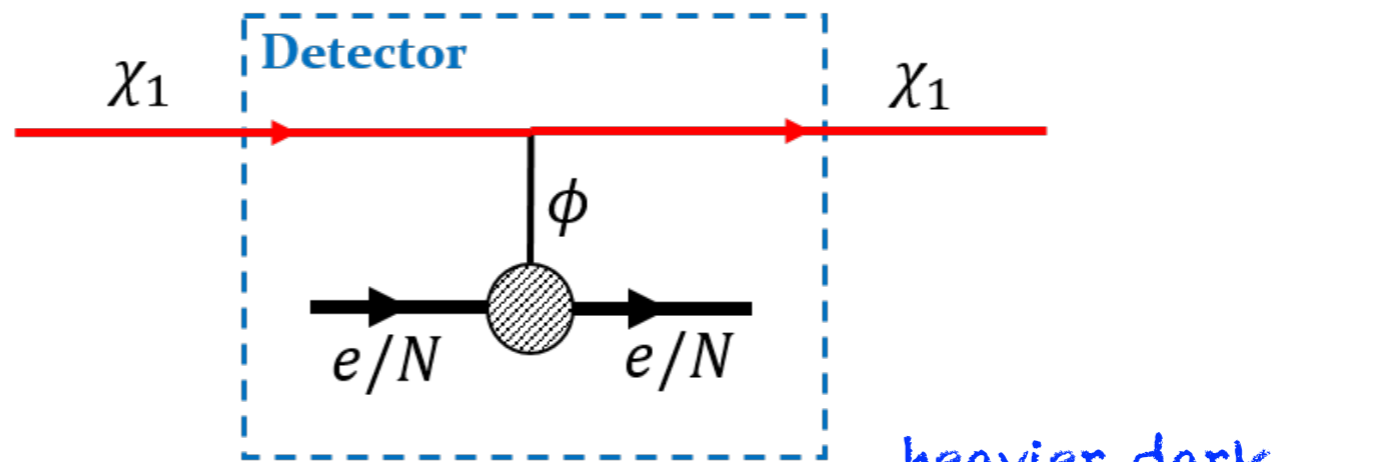
χ_0 : heavy DM

χ_1 : light BDM

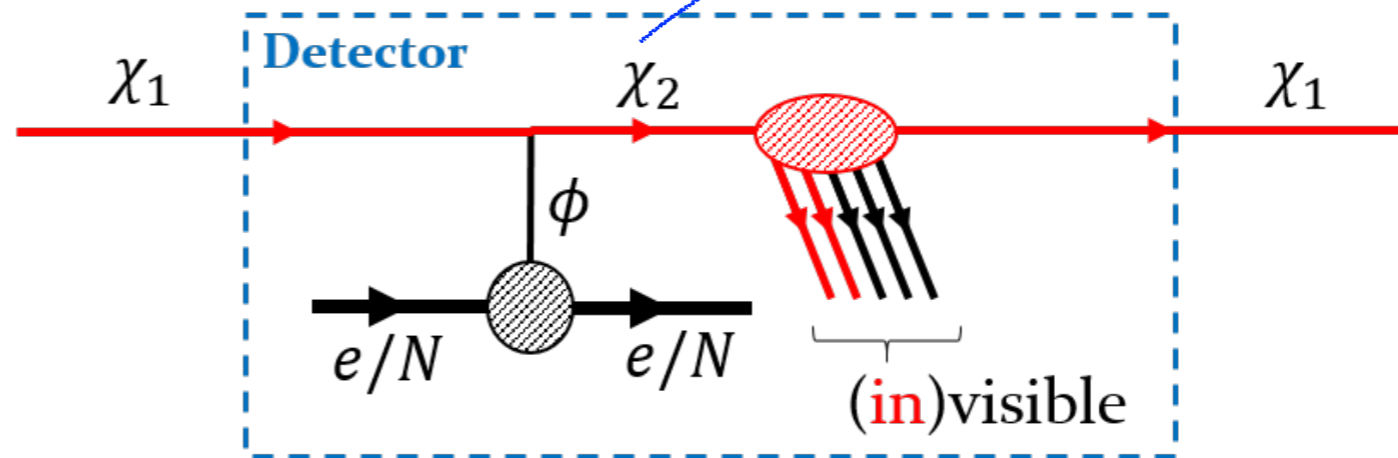
χ_2 : excited state



(a) Elastic scattering (eBDM)



(b) Inelastic scattering (iBDM)



secondary signature

Kim, Park, **SS**, PRL 119, 161801 (2017)

Giudice, Kim, Park, **SS**, PLB 780, 543 (2018)

Signals inside a fiducial volume

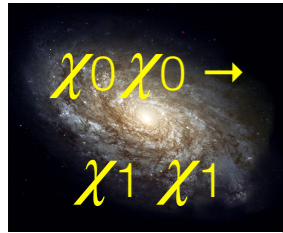


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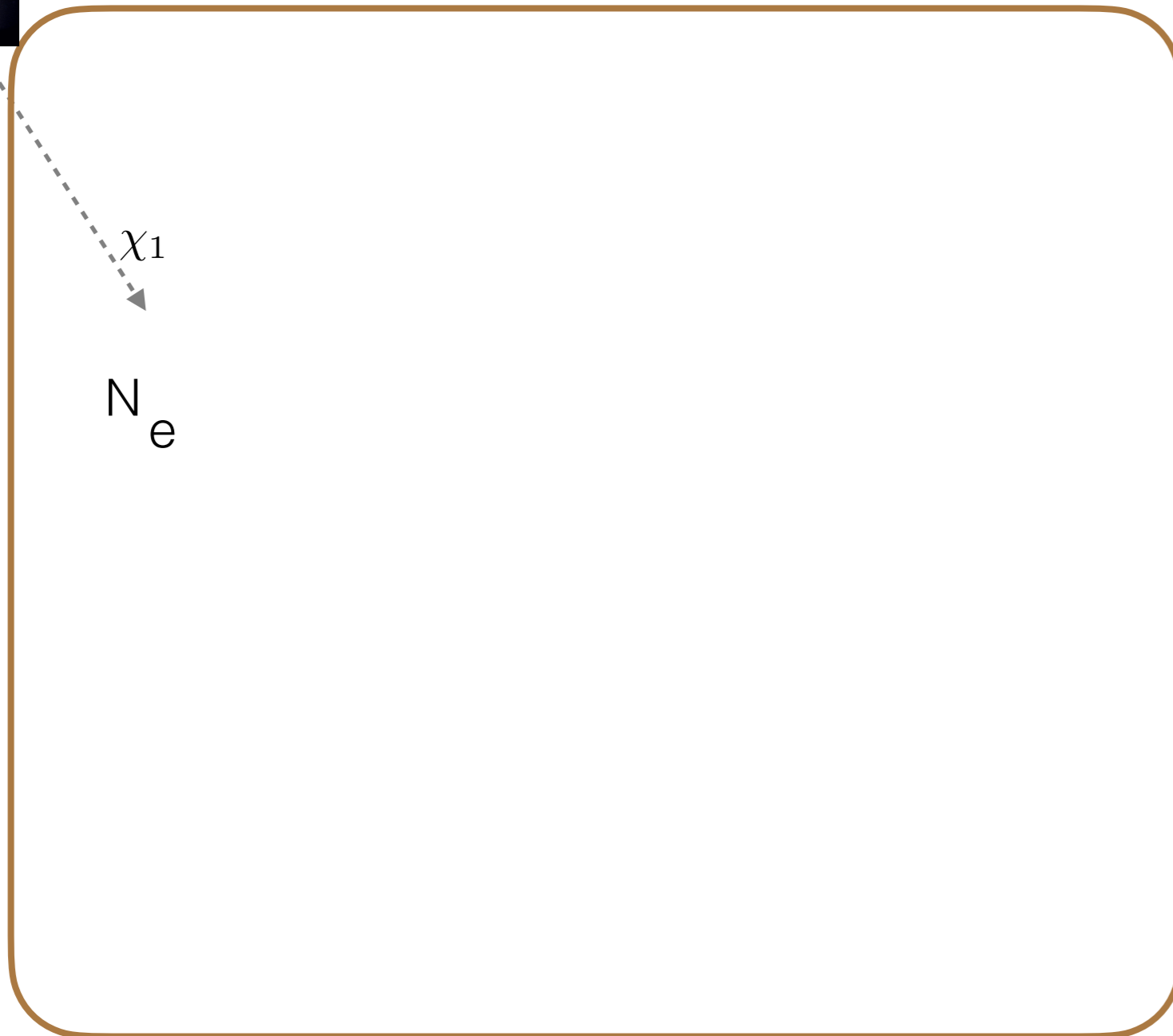
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χ_1 : light BDM, χ_2 : excited state

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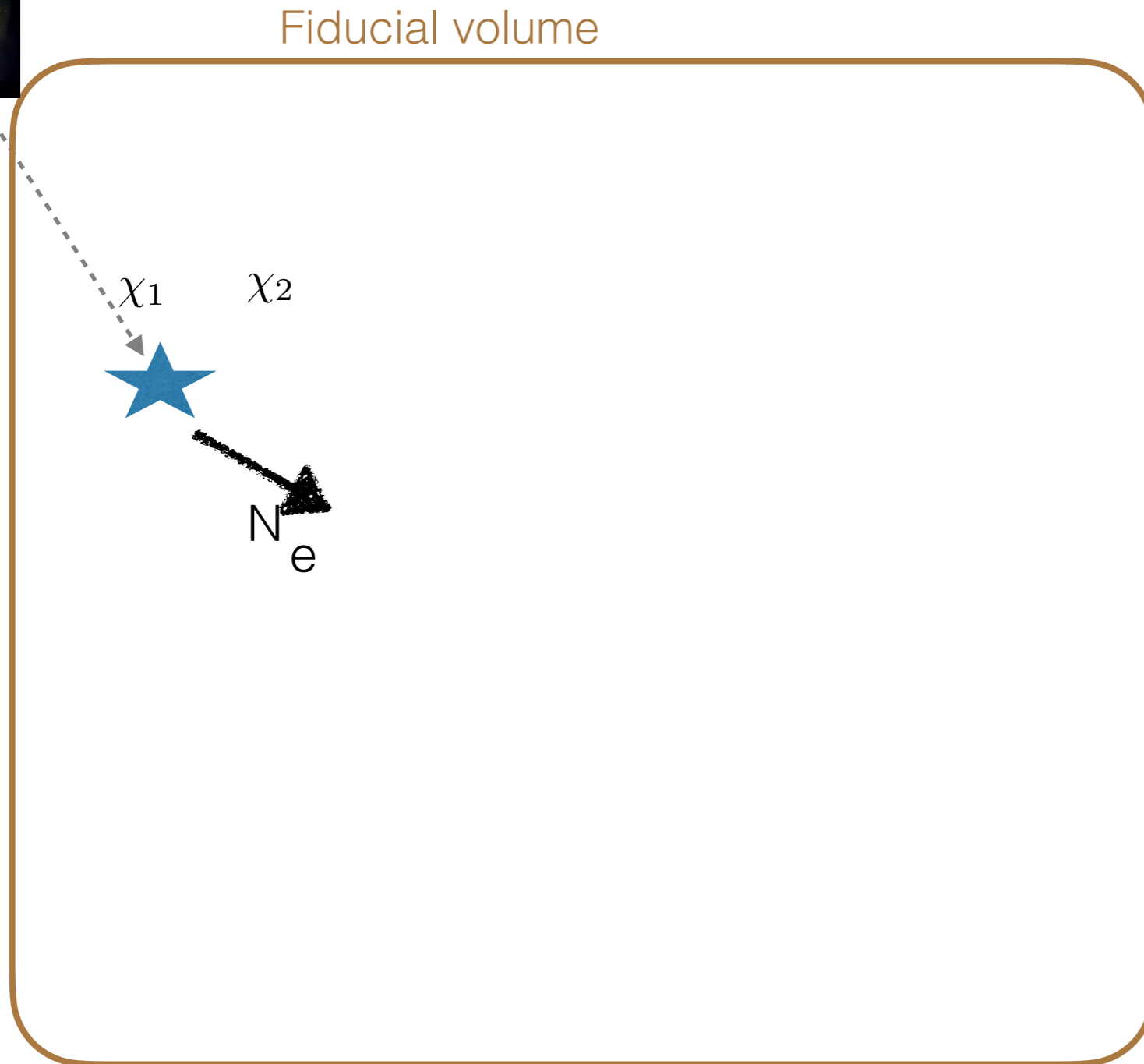
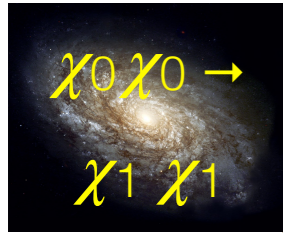


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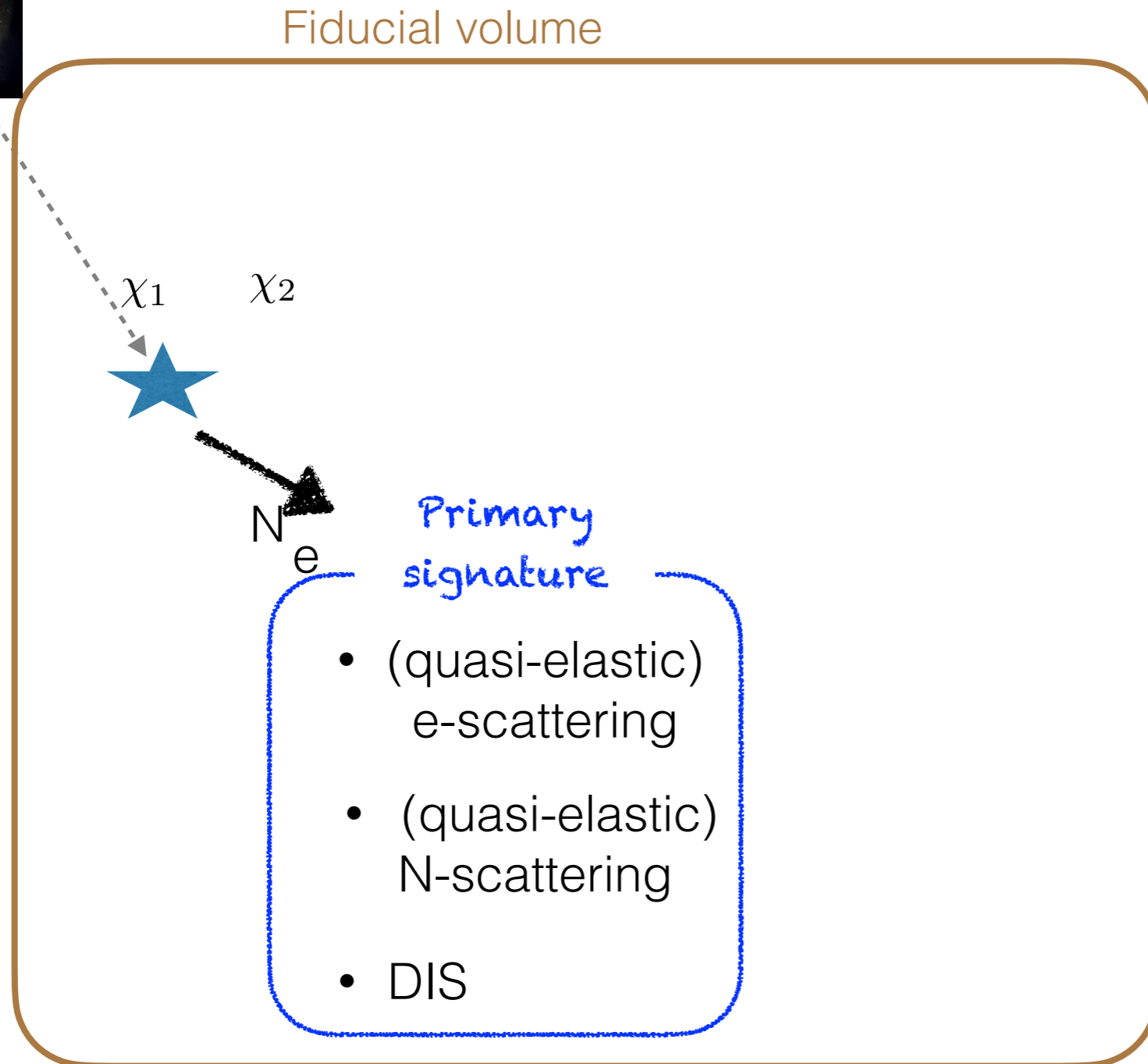
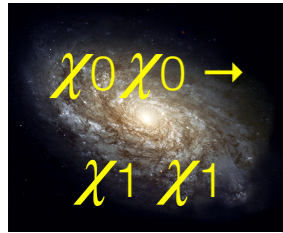
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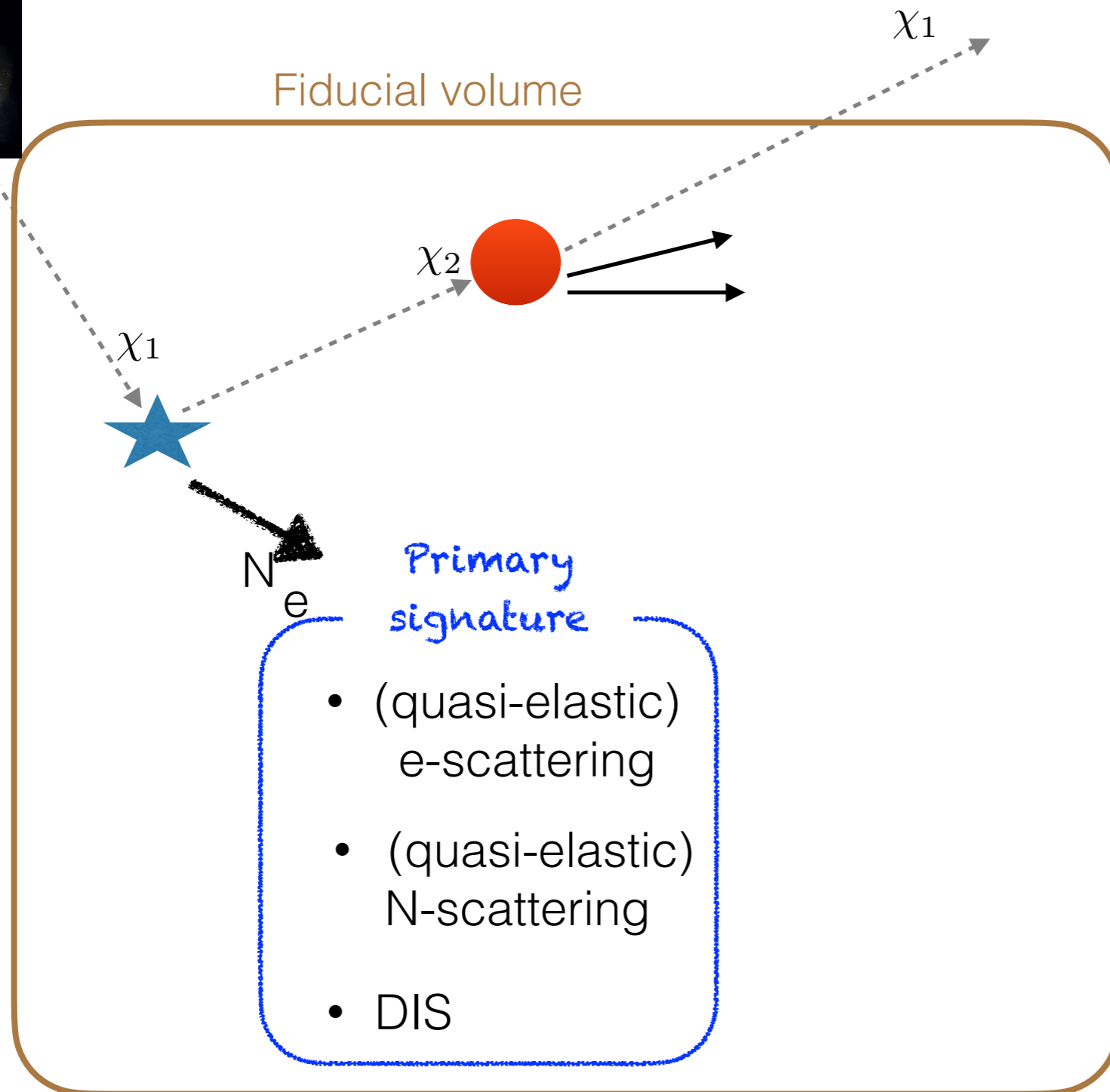
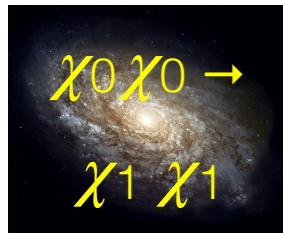
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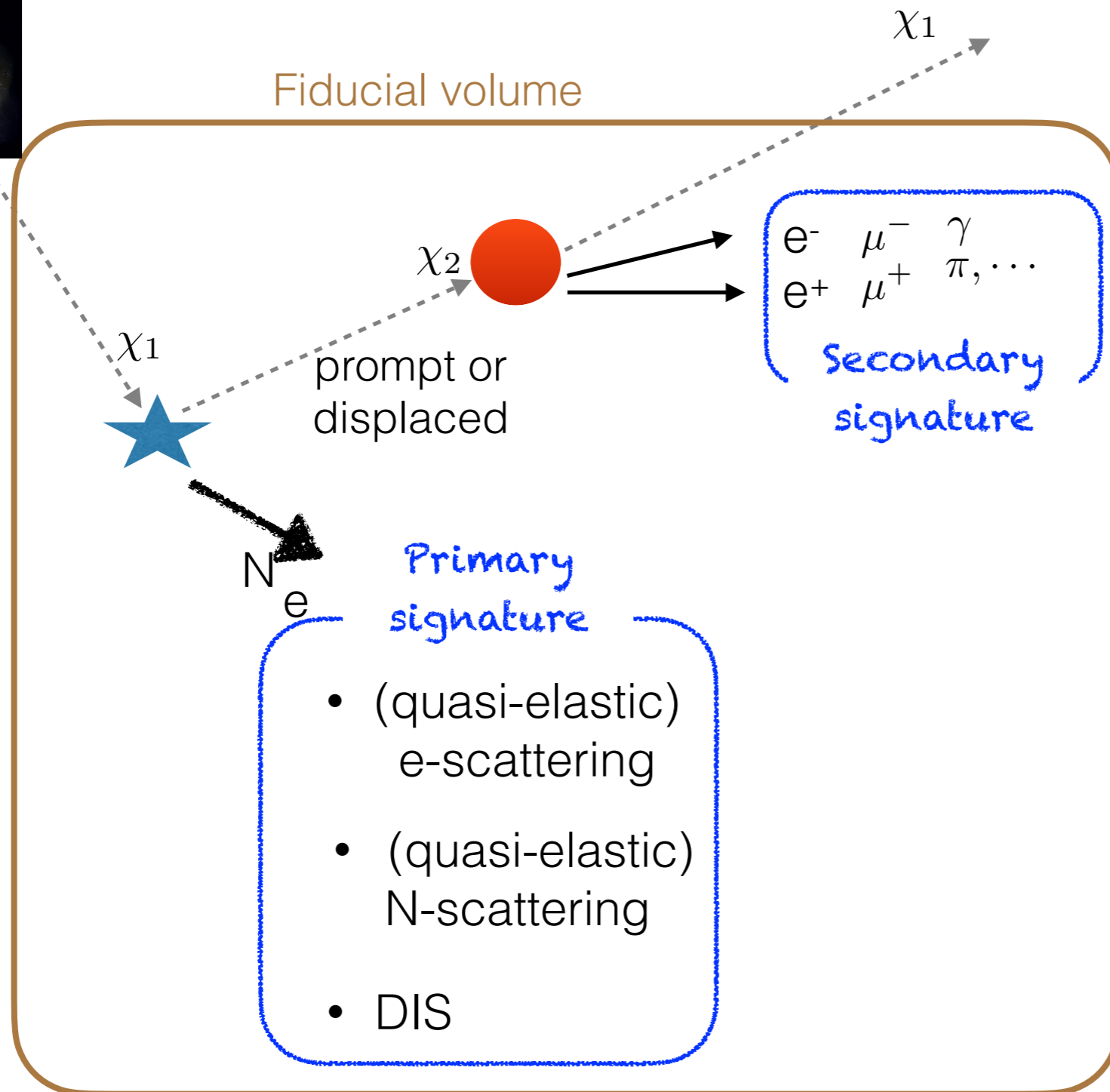
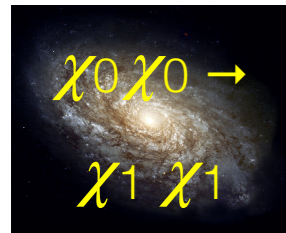
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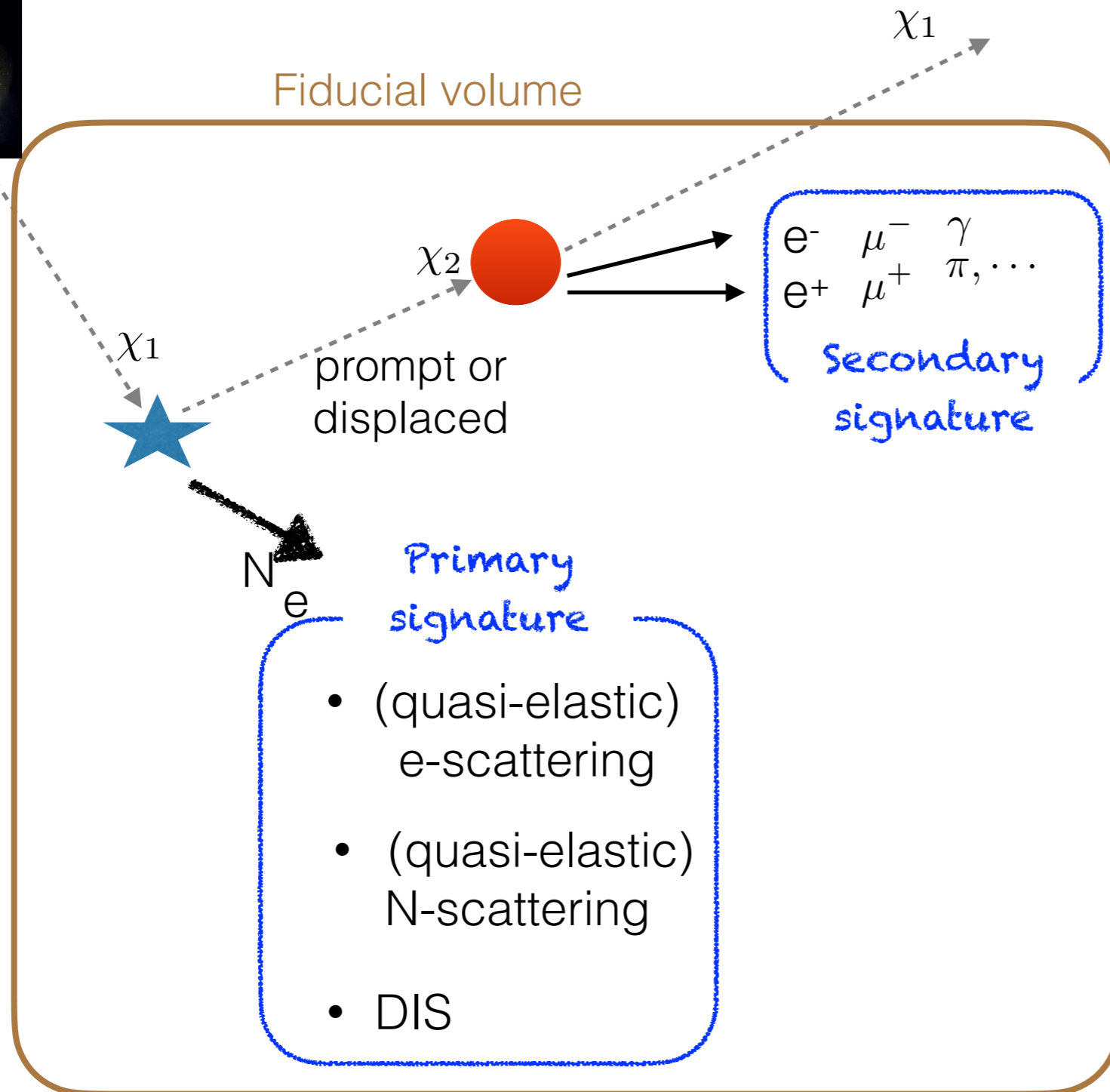
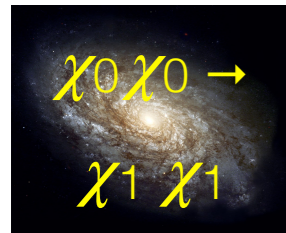
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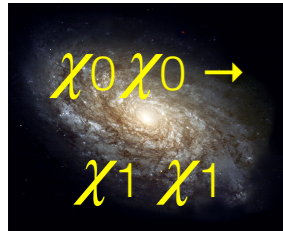
- For iBDM, two signatures can be separated beyond the position and angular resolutions.

Zero bkg. (conservative)

- For eBDM, energy deposit in e-recoil signatures is larger than what is expected by light WIMP.

New method in eBDM search: darkstrahlung

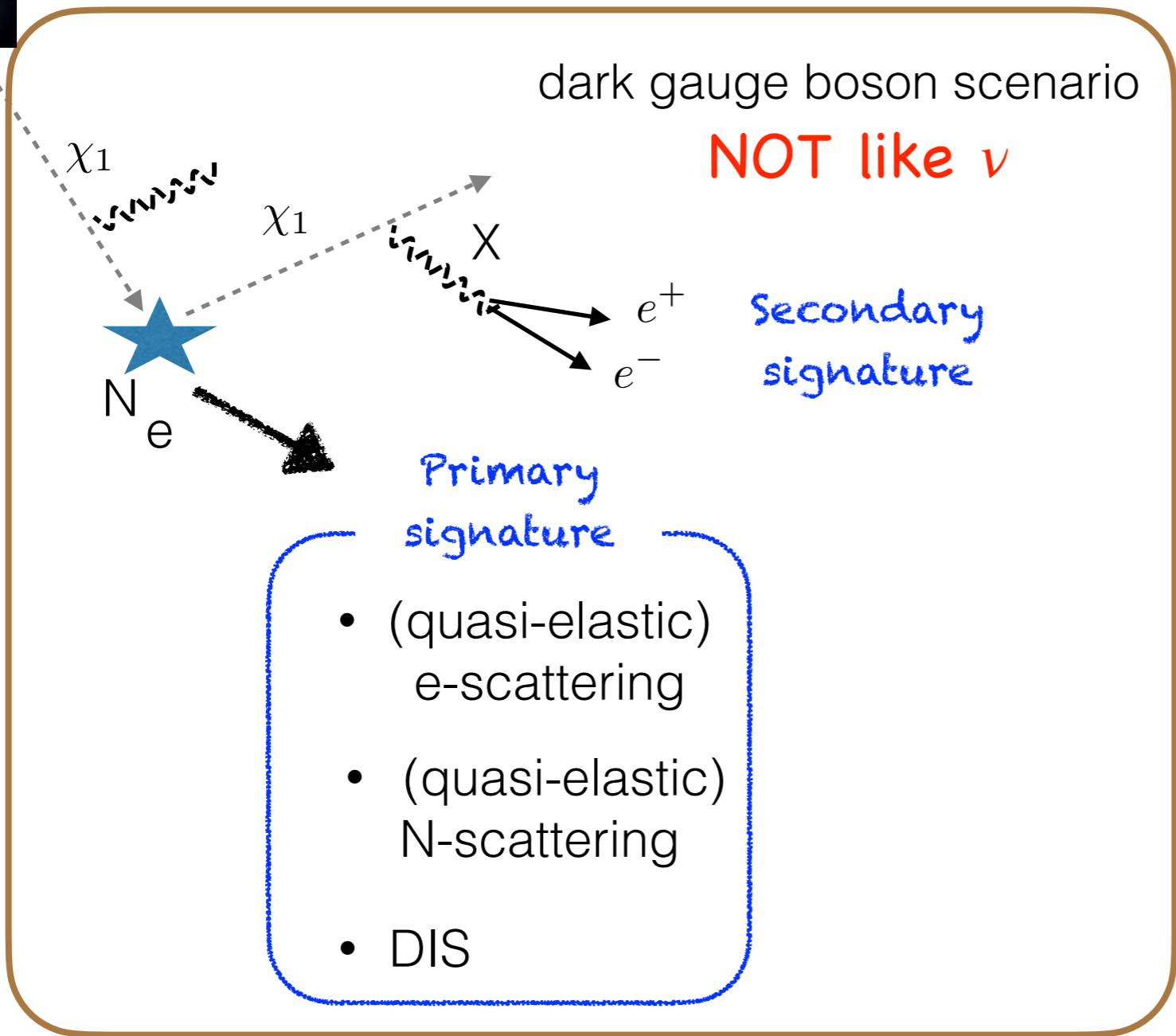
Kim, Park, **SS**, PRD2019, arXiv:1903.05087



Fiducial volume

dark gauge boson scenario

NOT like ν



2nd signature in the elastic scattering

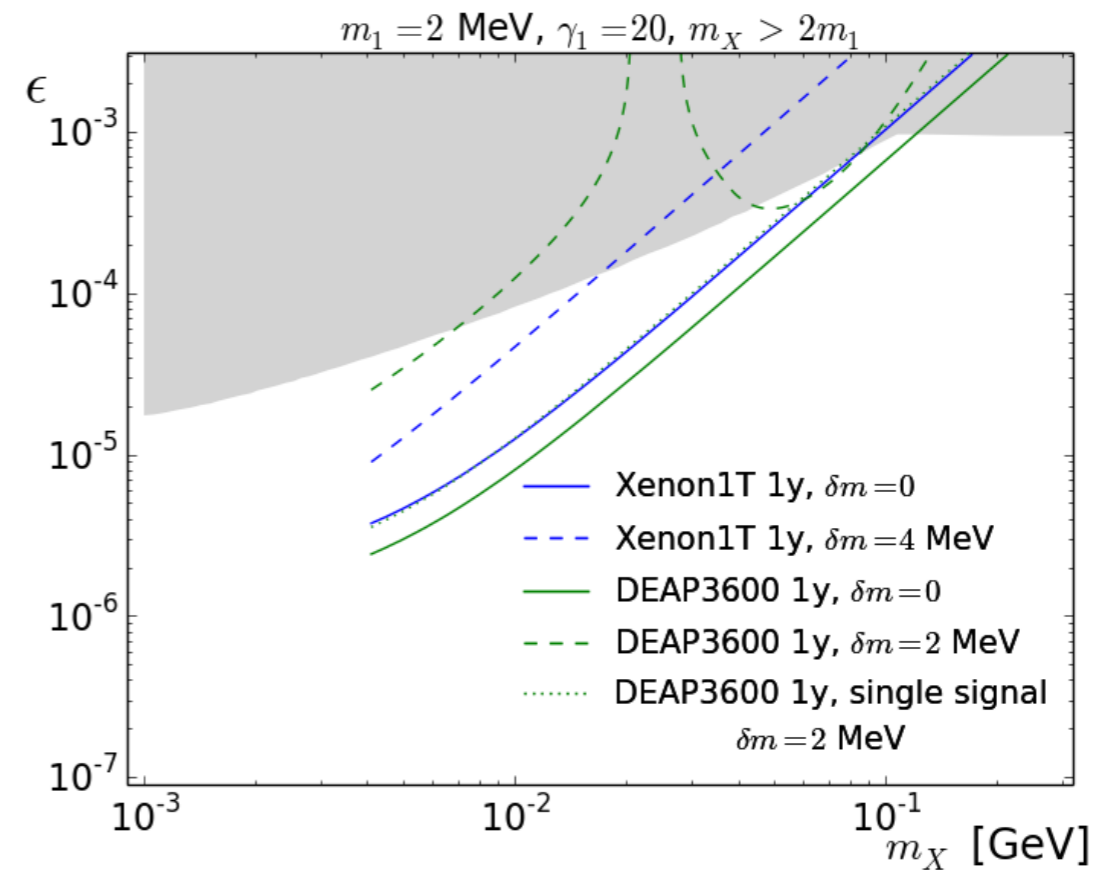
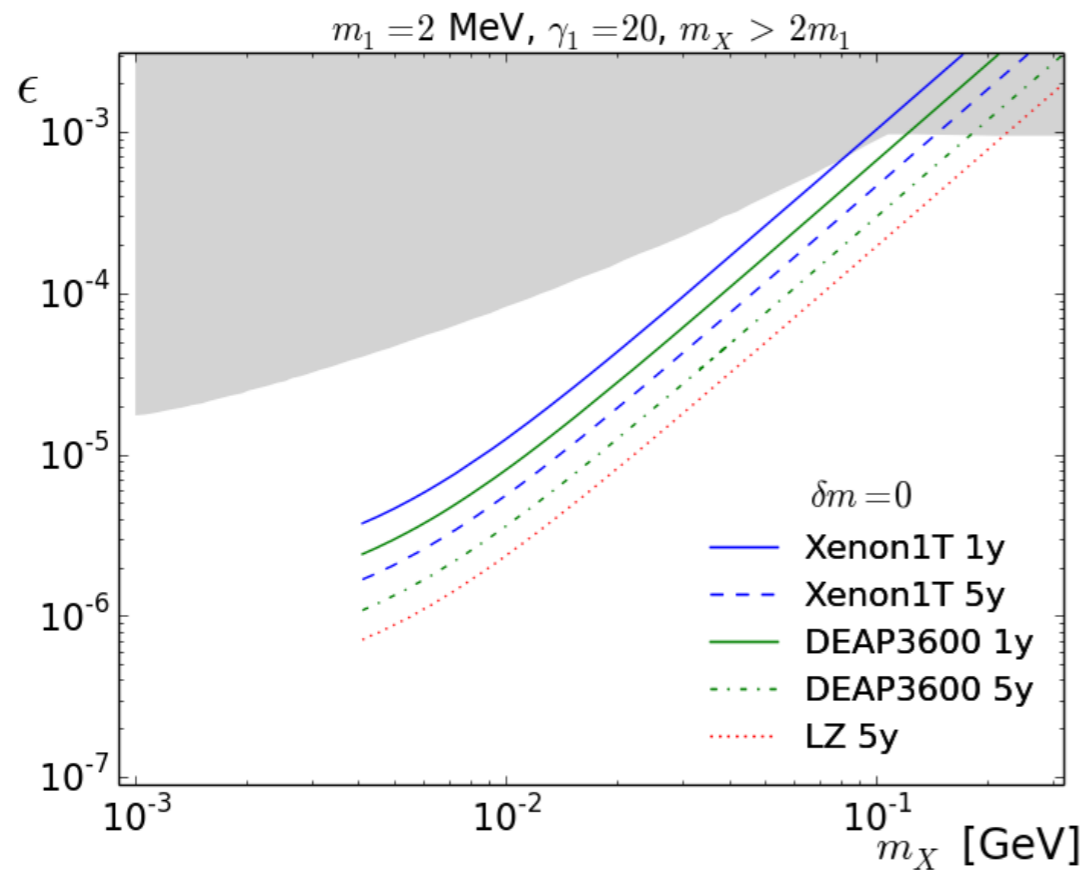
- Different from WIMP $\rightarrow \nu \nu$
- NLO but O(10-20%) of LO possible (impossible for beam produced DM)
- Efficient for large N_{BG} (cosmogenic BSM signal)

χ_1 : light BDM

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MeV scale e-recoil by BDM



Giudice, Kim, Park, **SS**, PLB 780, 543 (2018)

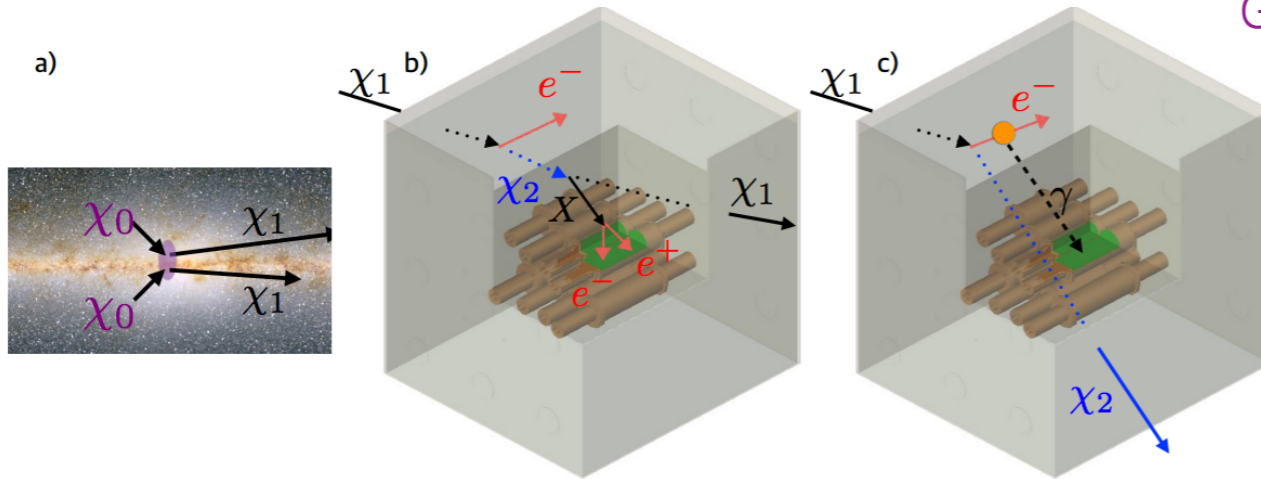
- Various direct detection experiments can have good enough sensitivities: e.g., in a dark photon scenario: $\chi_{1(2)} - e$
- Experimental details (position/angle/energy resolutions) are crucial in determining the sensitivities.

COSINE-100 result

COSINE-100, PRL 2019

Based on theoretical study

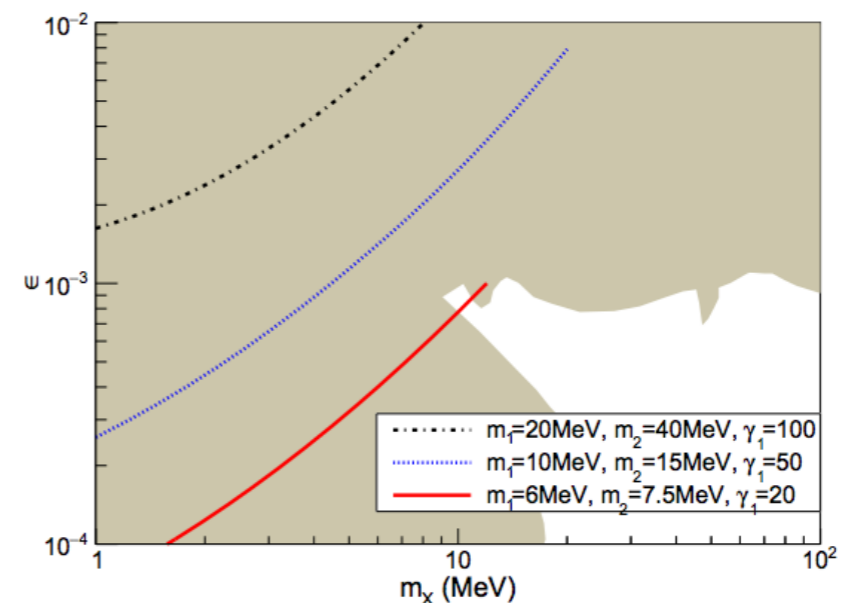
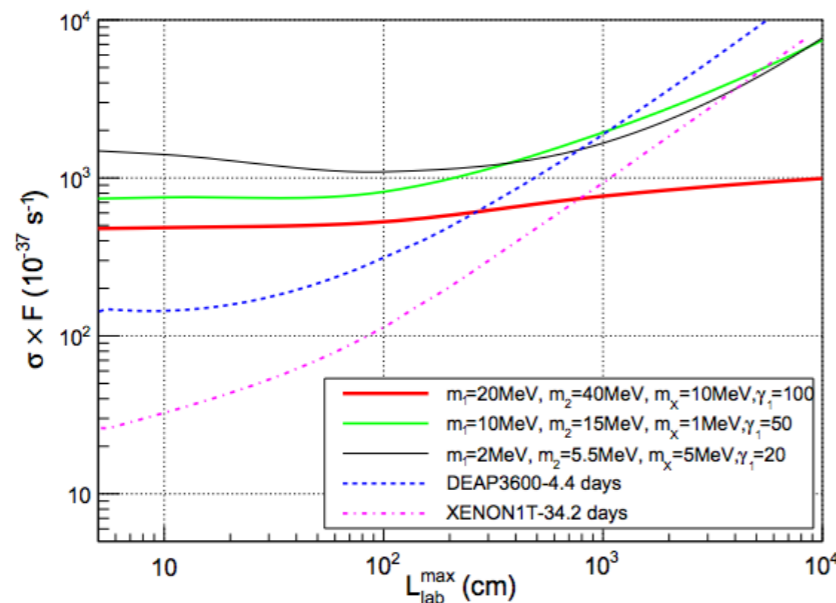
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2200L of liquid scintillator
(~ 2 ton)

106kg array of 8 ultra-pure NaI(Tl) crystals
immersed in an active veto detector

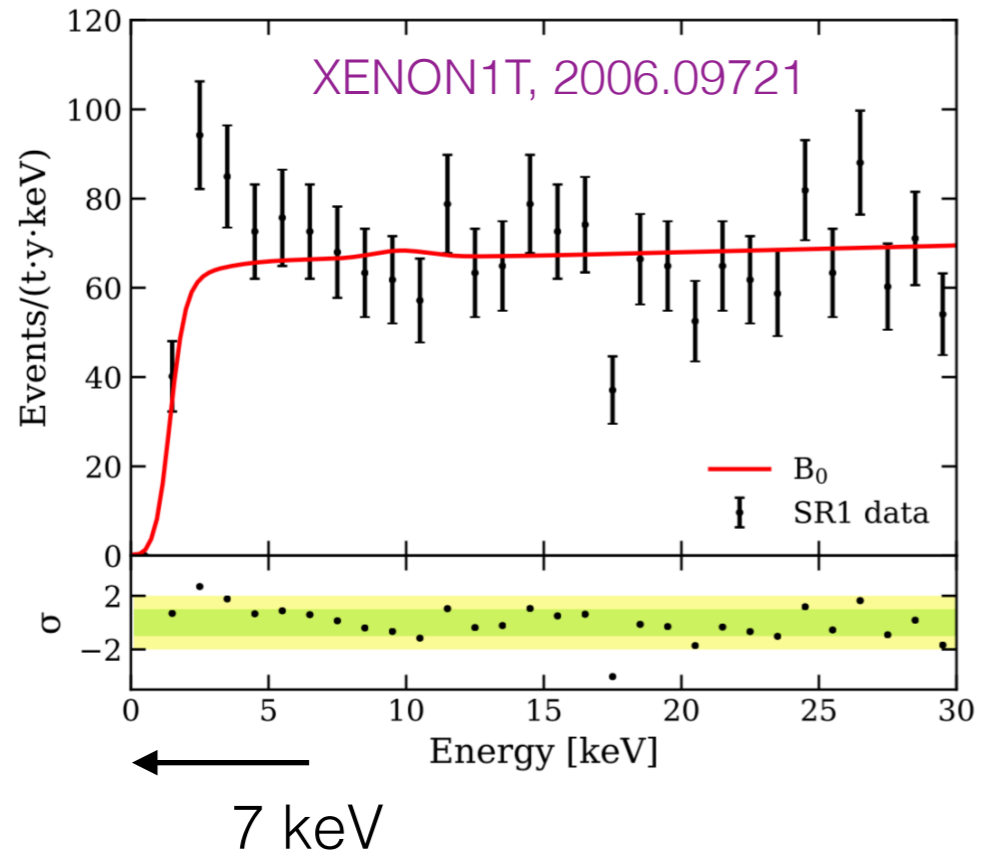
Observed: 21 events, Background expected: 16.4 ± 2.1



keV scale e-recoil: XENON1T 2020

0.65 ton·year

$76 \pm 2(\text{stat})$ events exceeding background expectation

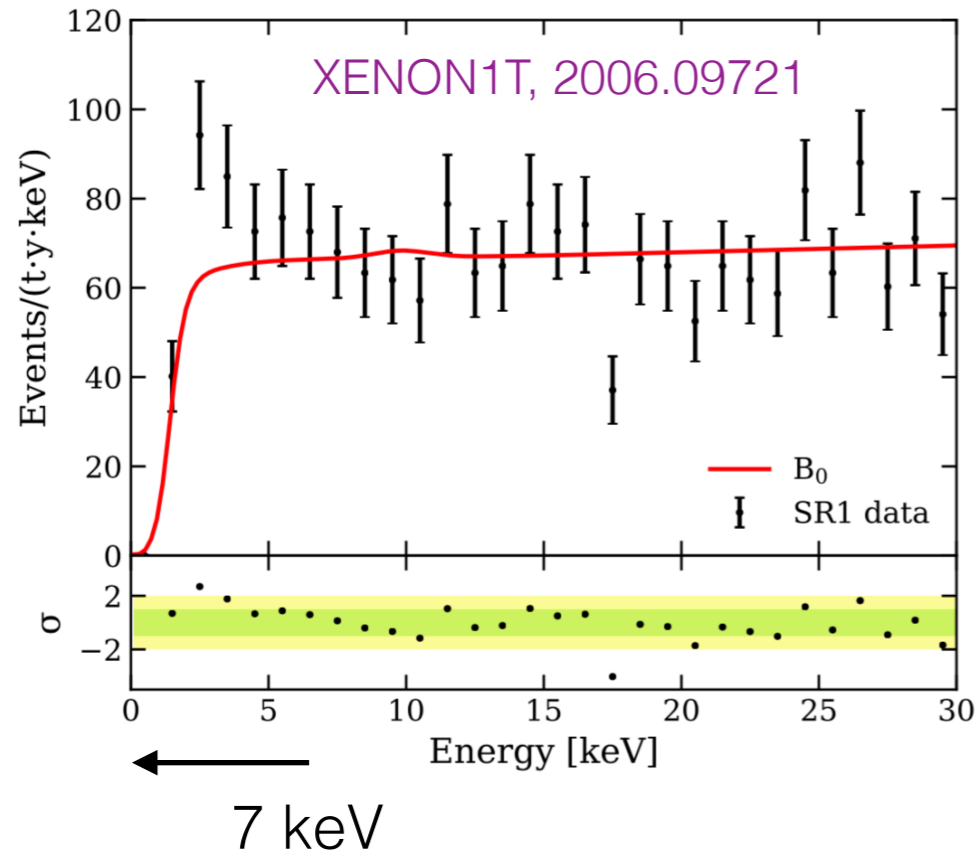


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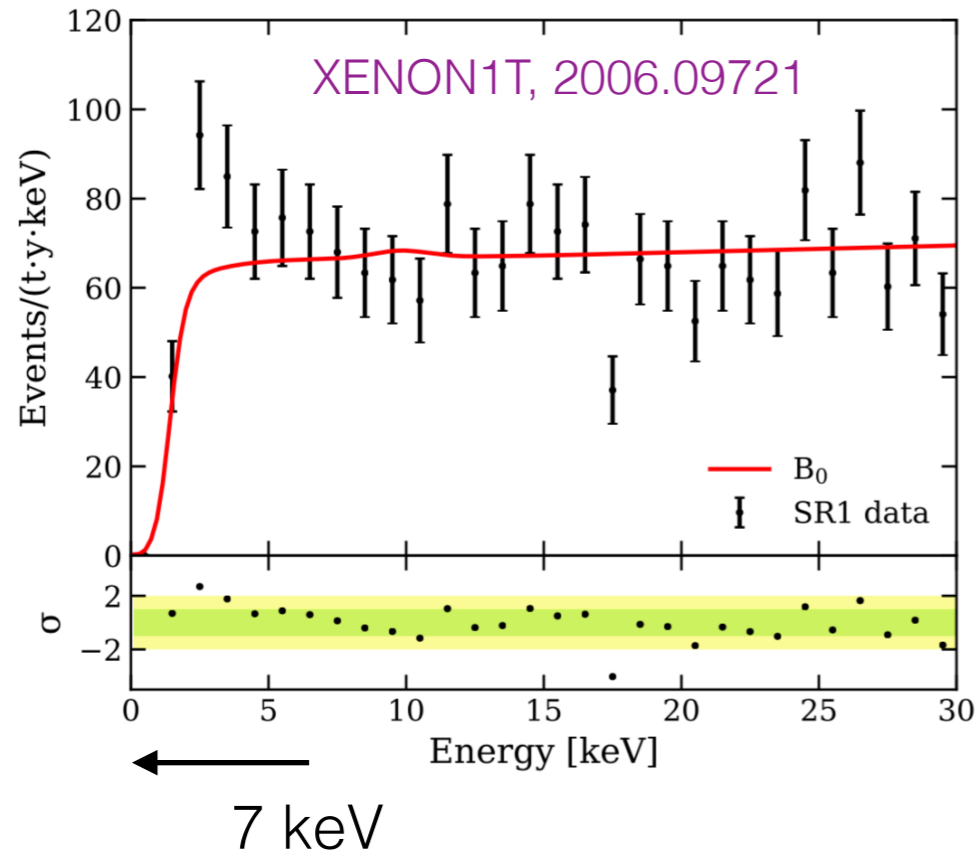
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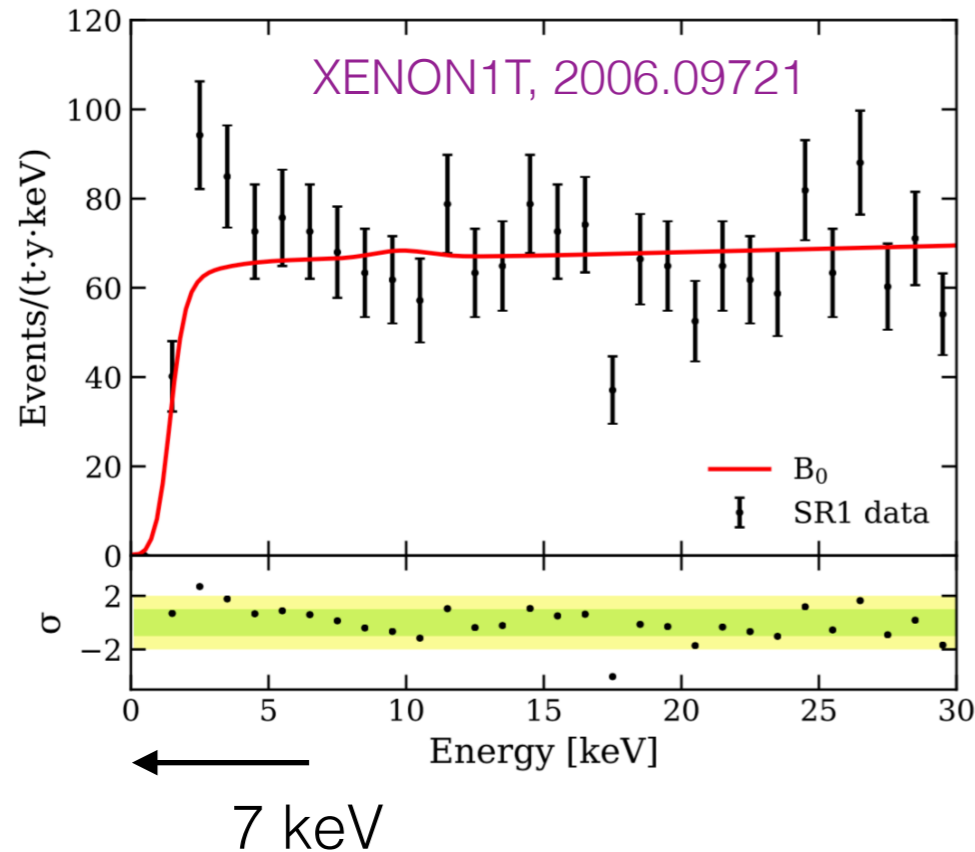
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See also

- Light DM absorption
- Inelastic (exothermic) DM

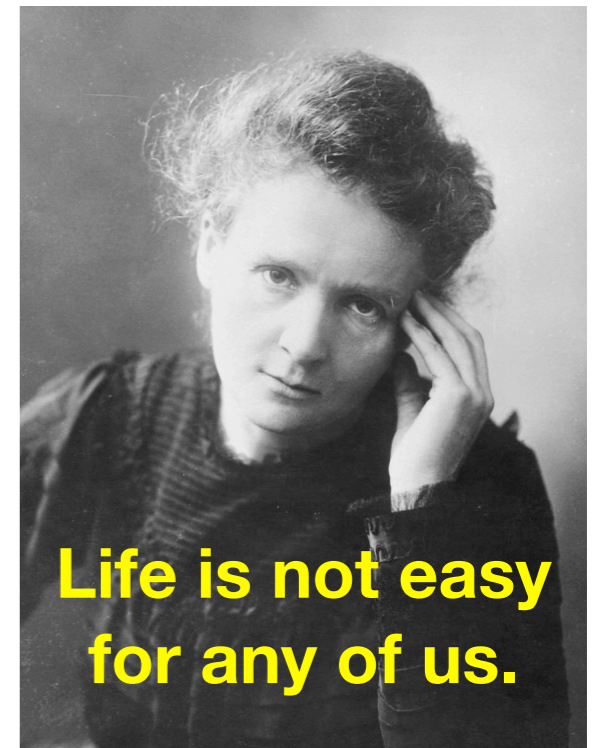
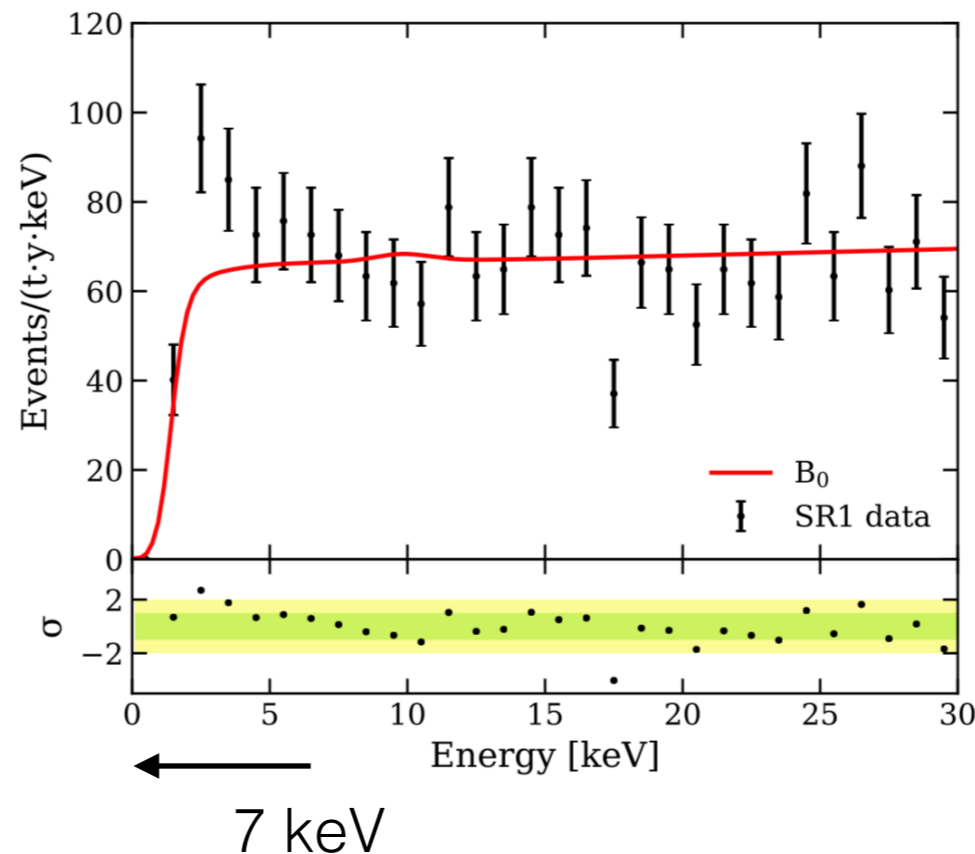
Parameter fit of XENON1T 2020

Not so simple task

- Large number of events: large cross section with the material of Earth (deflected and loose energy)
- A narrow range of $2 \text{ keV} \leq E_R \leq 7 \text{ keV}$ is preferred.
- The binding energy of electrons in Xe is not negligible.

(for $E_R \sim \text{keV}$)

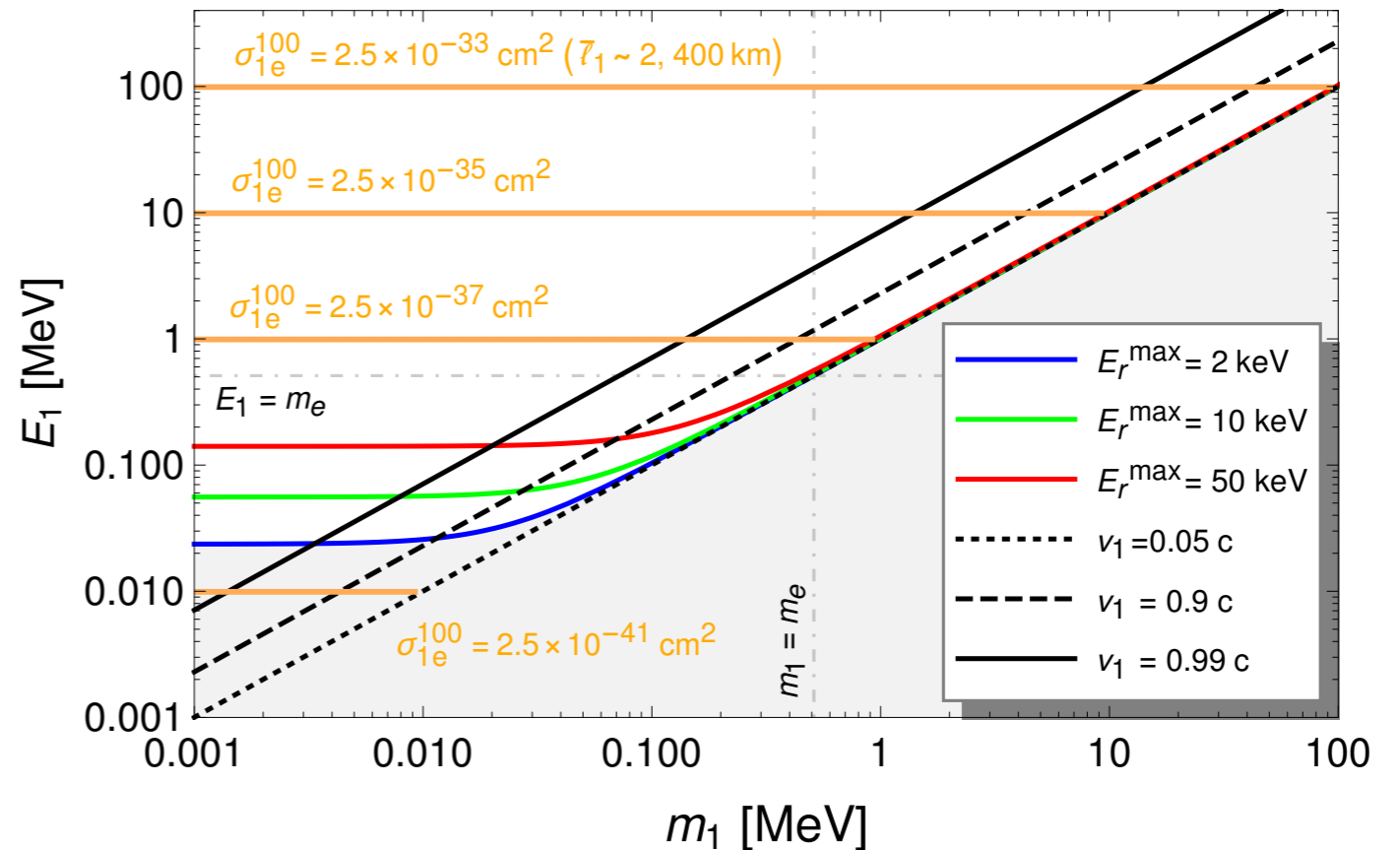
More difficult
than MeV case



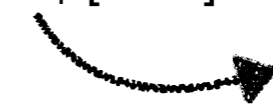
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Alhazmi, Kim, Kong, Mohlabeng,
Park, **SS**, JHEP 05, 055 (2021),
arXiv: 2006.16252

Energy of
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m_1 [MeV]



Mass of BDM

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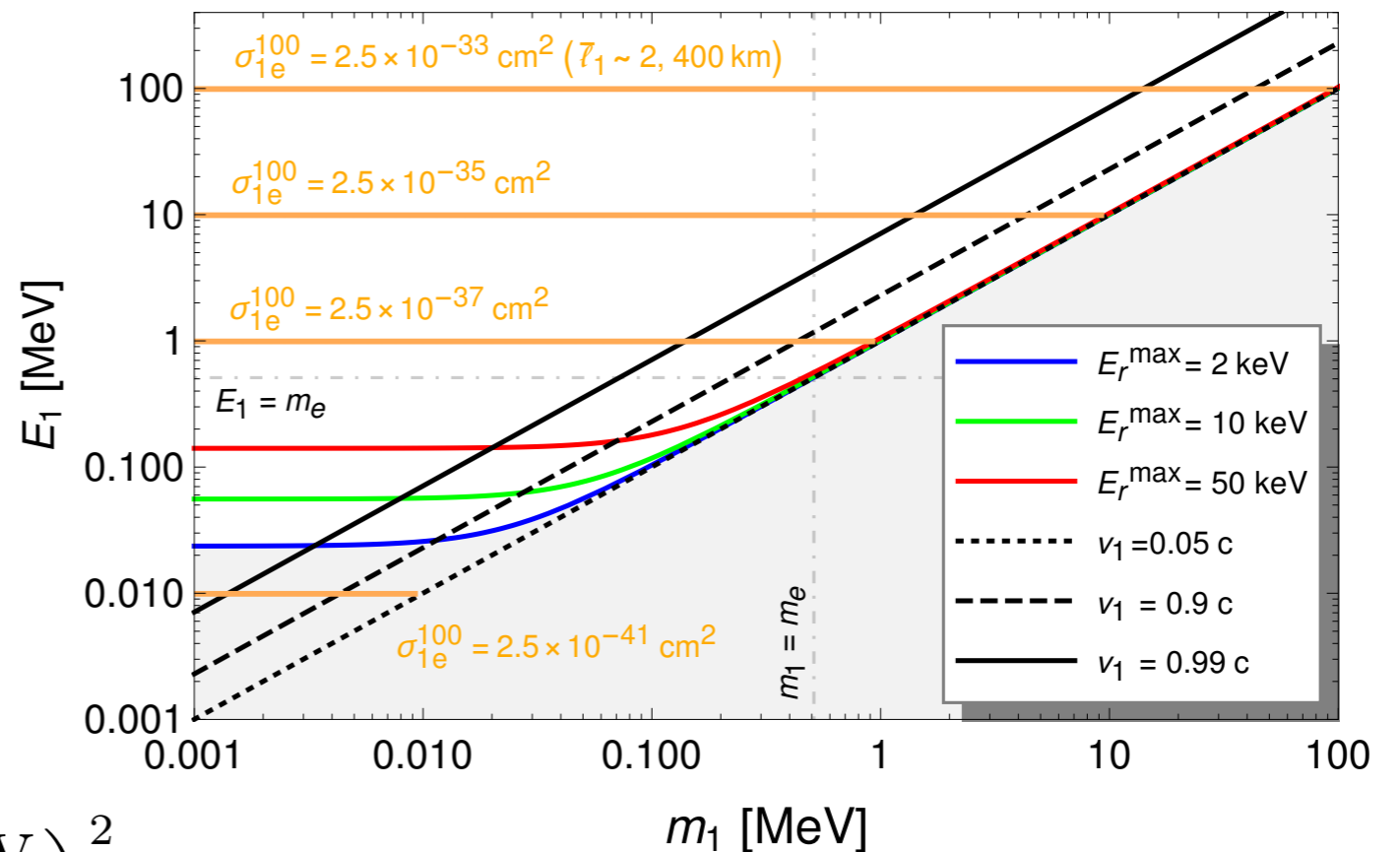
First approximation

$\chi_1 - e$ (fiducial) scattering
cross section

$$N_{\text{sig}} = \mathcal{F}_1 \sigma_{1e} N_{e, \text{tot}}^{\text{eff}} t_{\text{exp}}$$

Total exposure time

Number of effective target electrons
in the fiducial volume

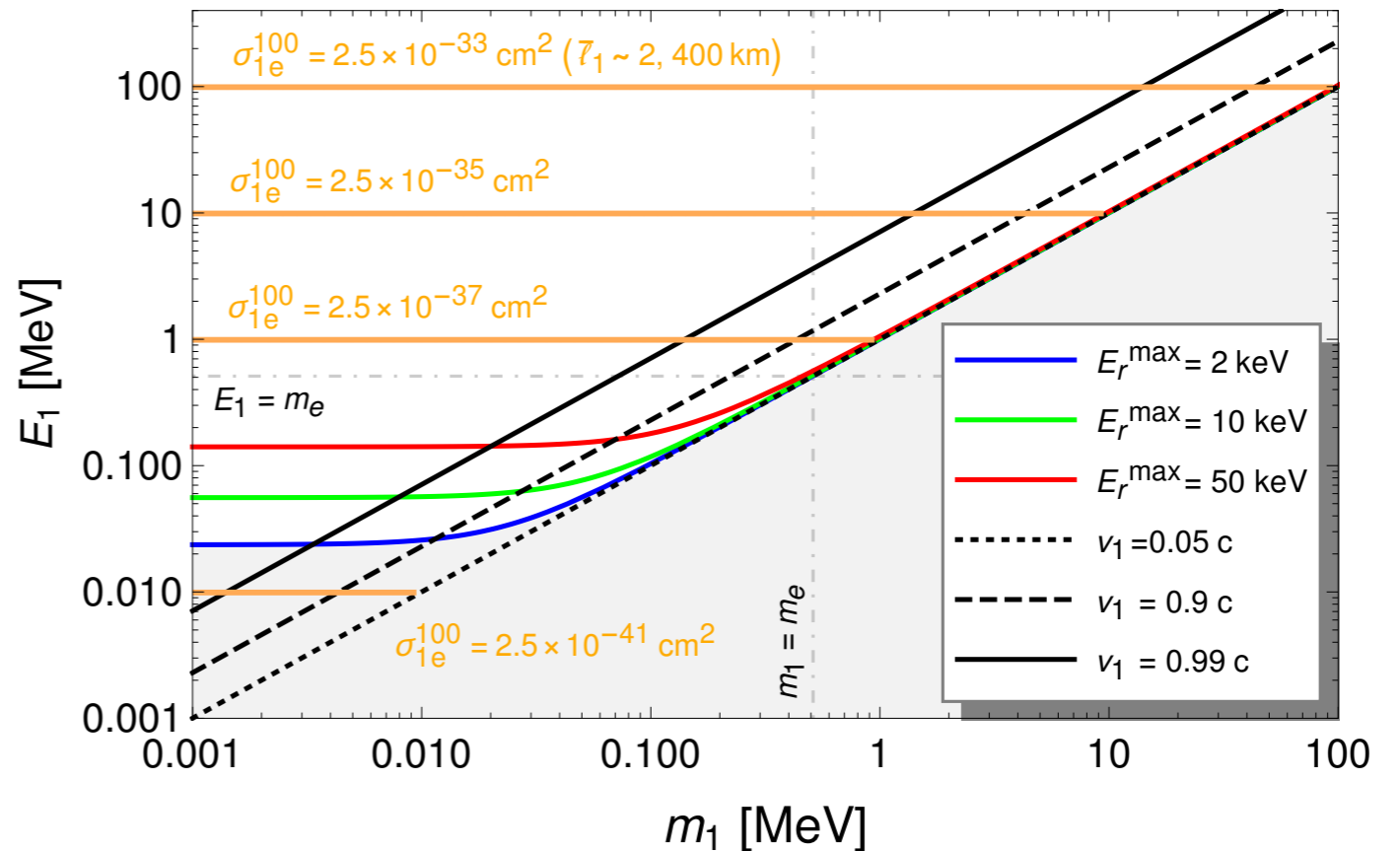


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$$E_r^{\max} = \frac{2m_e p_1^2}{s} = \frac{E_1^2 - m_1^2}{m_1^2 + m_e^2 + 2m_e E_1}$$

m_1 [MeV]

Mass of BDM

- The maximum E_R of electrons scattered by BDM ≥ 2 keV (non-shaded). This is **model independently** given as above.
- $E_1 \gtrsim 20$ keV is preferred (depending on m_1).

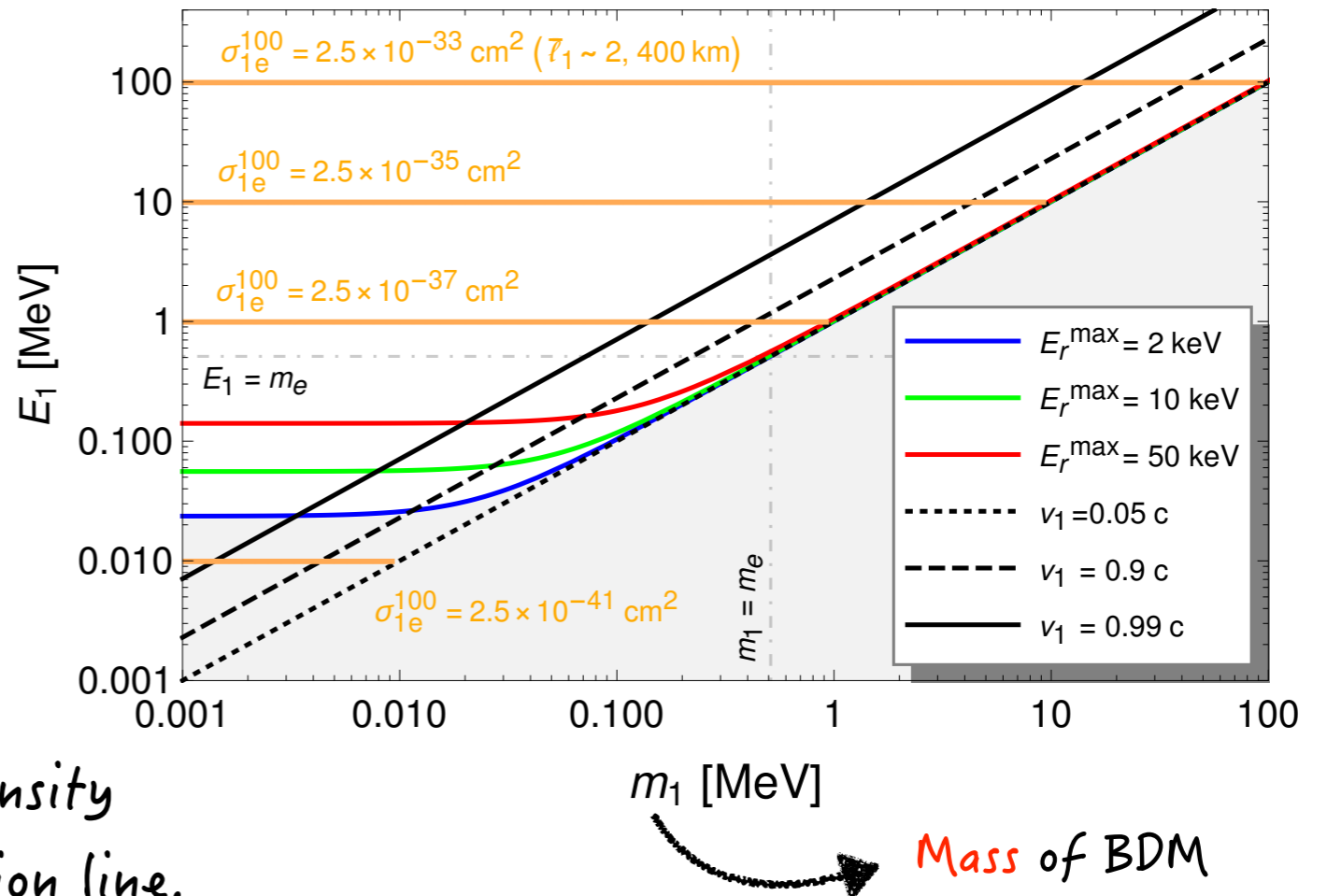
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$$\bar{l}_1 \sim \frac{1}{\langle n_e \rangle \sigma_{1e}}$$

Mean e-number density along the χ_1 propagation line.

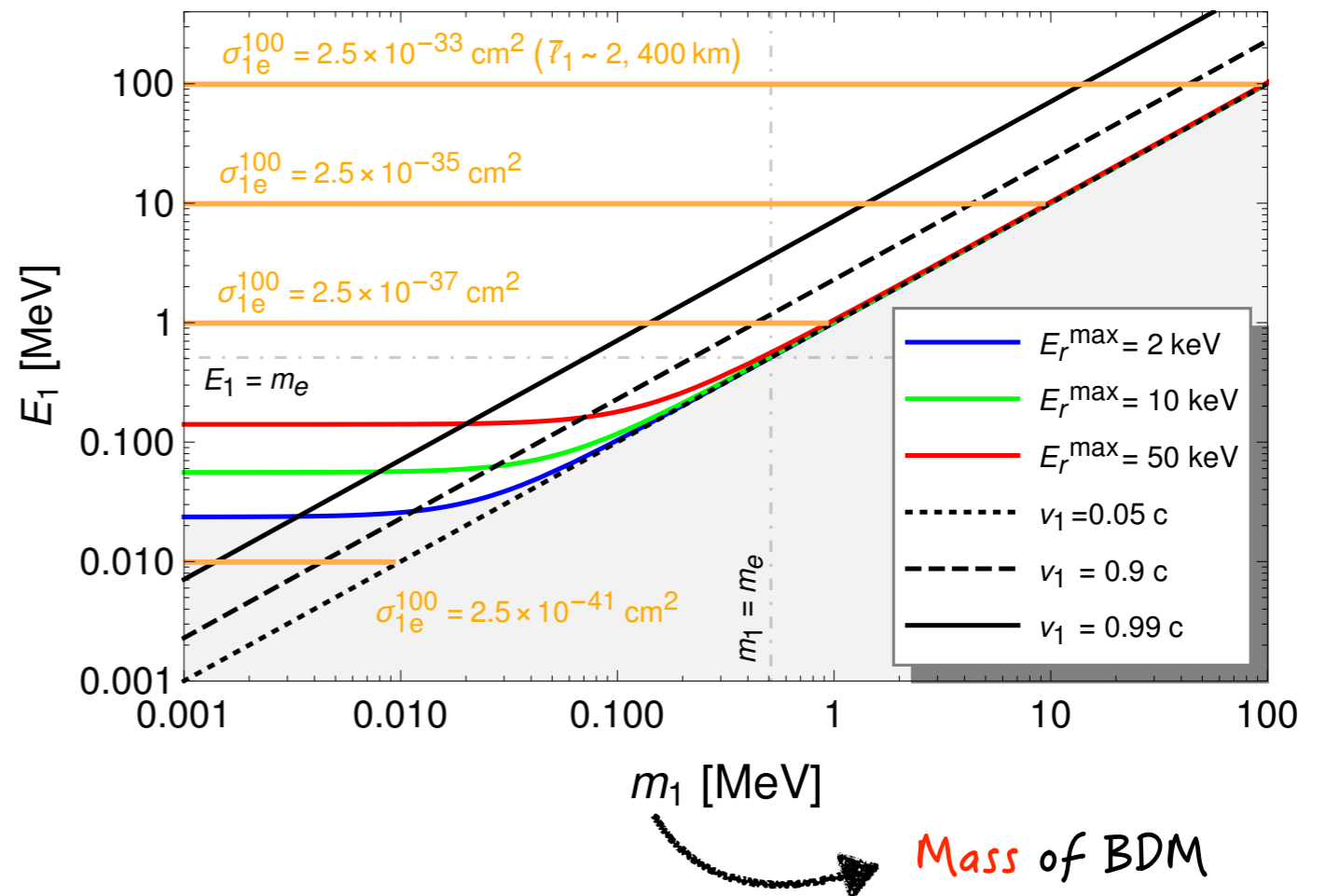


- The values of (fiducial) cross section σ_{1e} giving $N_{\text{sig}} = 100$ are shown, assuming $N_e^{\text{eff}} = 18$ (will be discussed later). $N_{e,\text{tot}}^{\text{eff}} = 4.59 \times 10^{27} N_e^{\text{eff}}$ for 1 ton of liquid Xe
- To avoid the Earth attenuation, the mean free path $\approx \mathcal{O}(1000 \text{ km})$ is preferred. (at least larger than the depth of XENON1T $\sim 1.6 \text{ km}$)

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- The velocity of BDM, v_1 , can be close to c in a wide range of parameter space ($\gg 0.1c$ is also preferred).
- Shade regions and the black lines are model independent while the orange lines are applied for conventional BDM (but readily applicable).

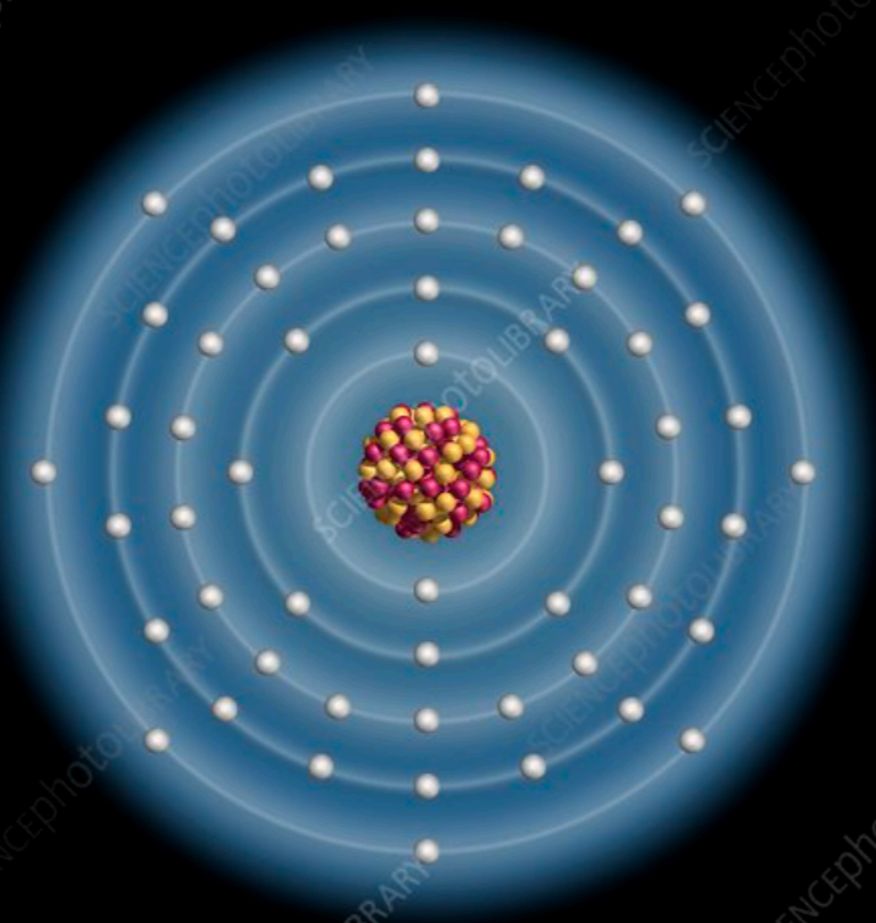
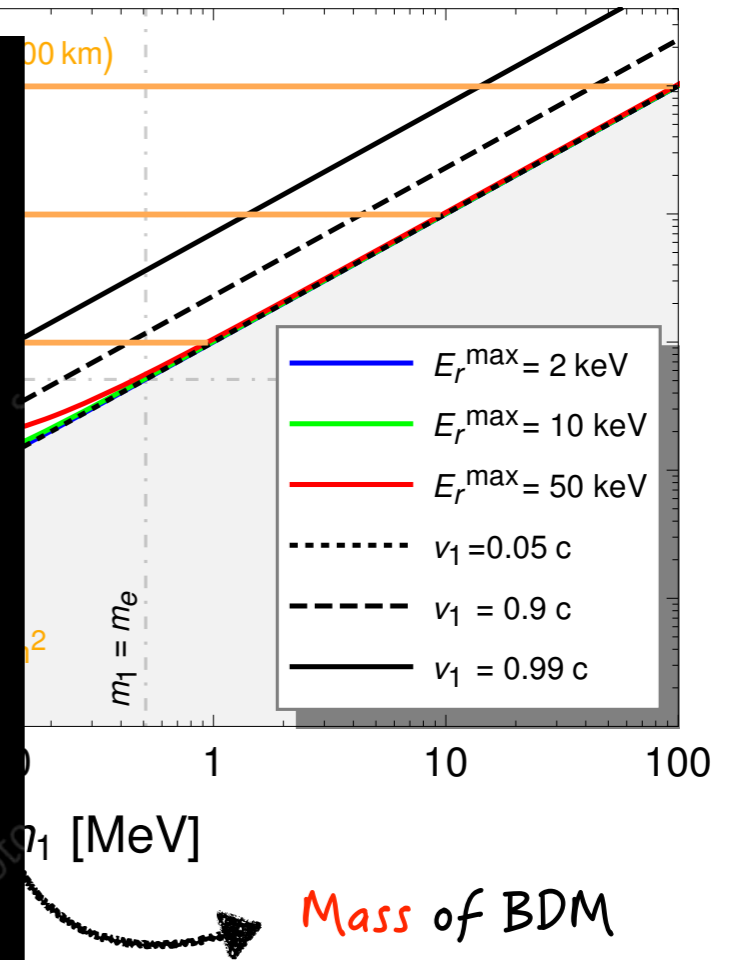
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Xenon

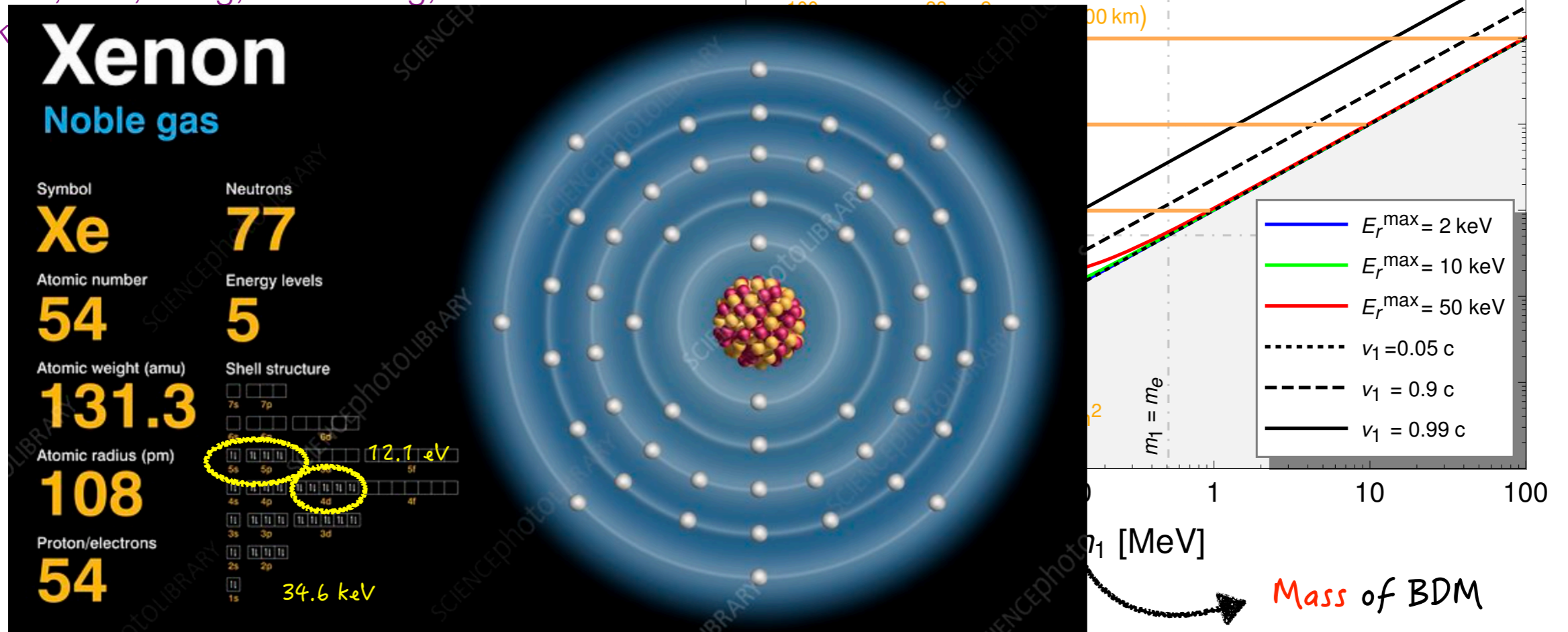
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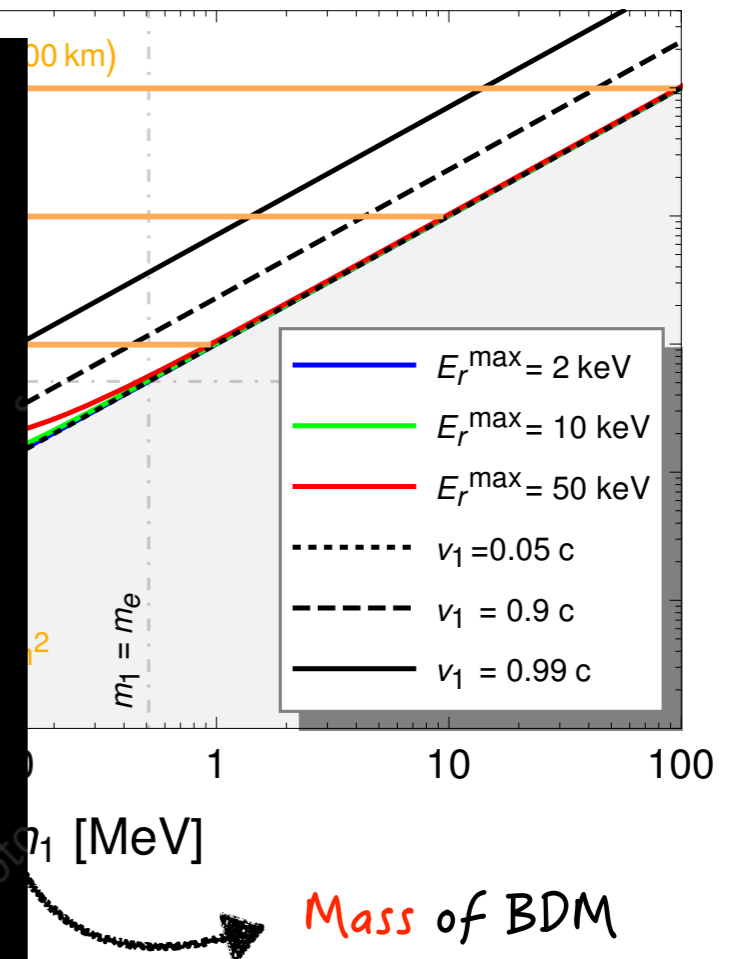
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Handwritten annotations: 12.1 eV (circled), 34.6 keV (circled)

Meme overlay: "IS THIS THE BEST YOU CAN DO?"



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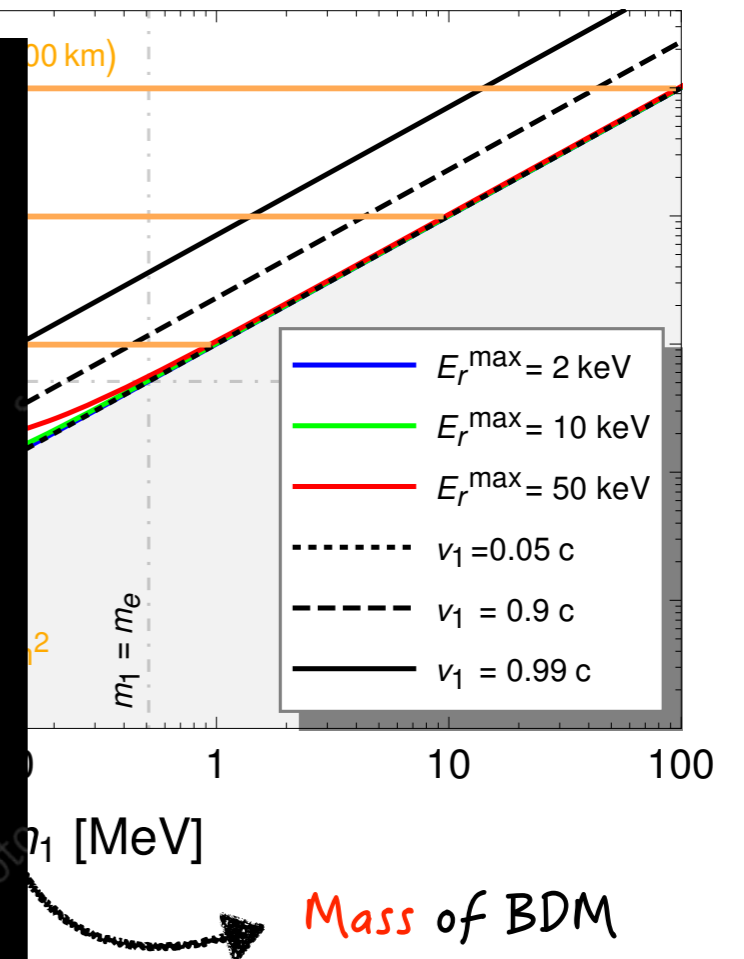
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Shell structure: [Diagram showing electron shells 1s to 7s]

All electrons in binding potential



- Atomic Ionization Form Factor: Likelihood that a given momentum transfer results in a particular E_R .

Essig, Mardon, Volansky, PRD2012

Lee, Lisanti, Mishra-Sharma, Safdi, PRD 2015

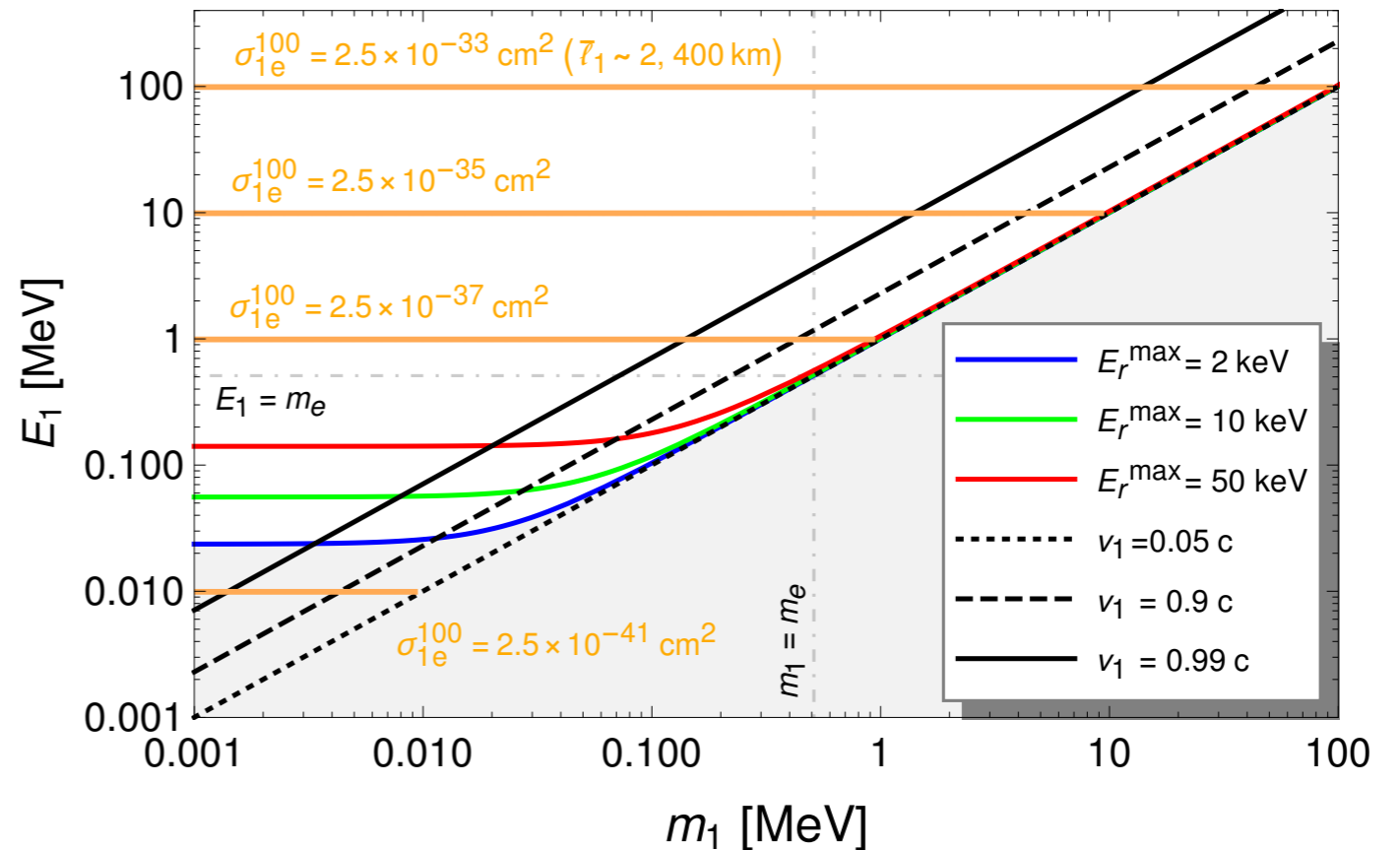
- The incoming light BDM is relativistic & the electron velocities in the inner shell can be large: Relativistic approach needed (for large q).

Roberts, Dzuba, Flambaum, Pospelov, Stadnik, PRD 2016

Work in progress with Alhazmi, Kim, Kong, Mohlabeng, Park,

Dependence on mediators

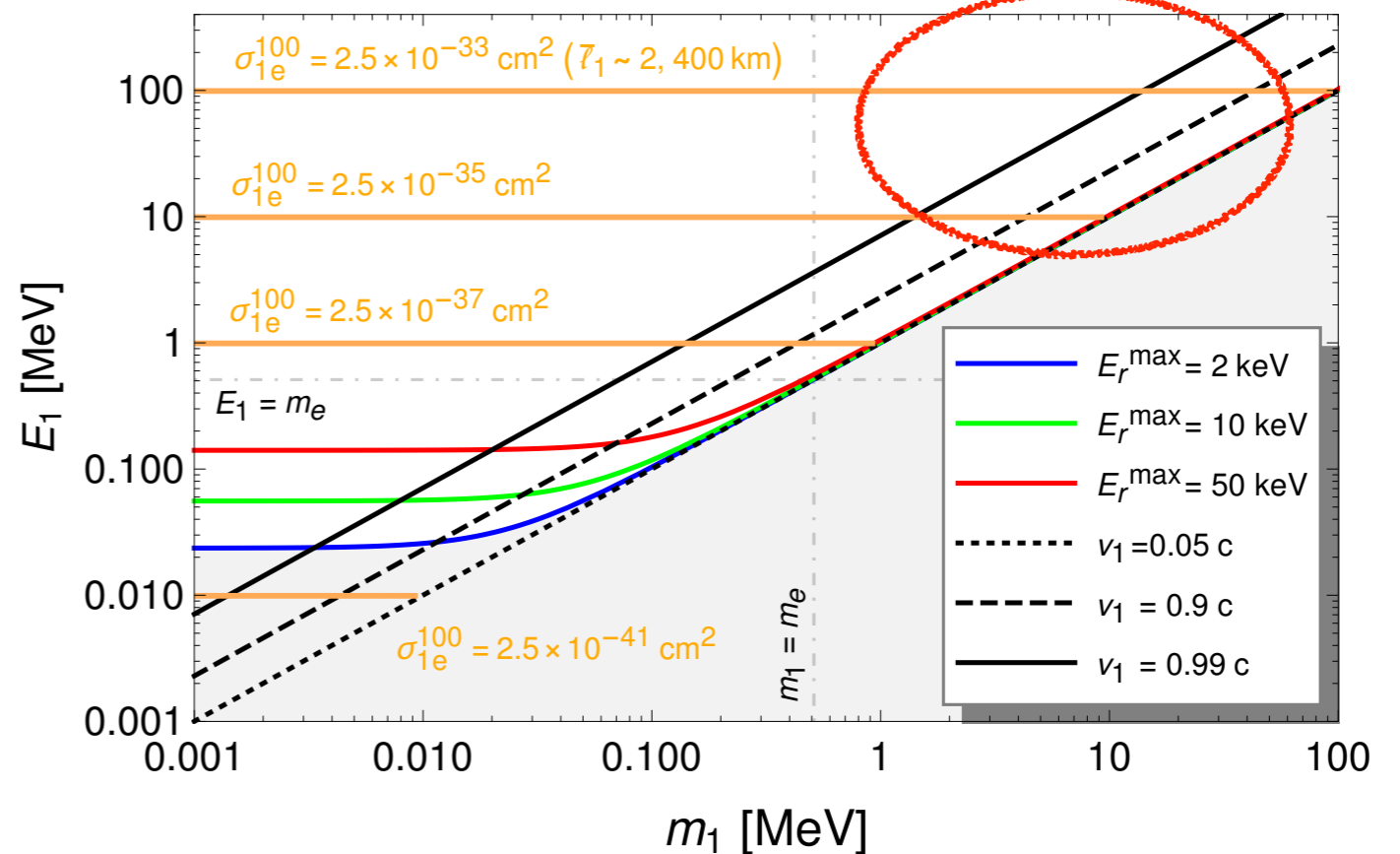
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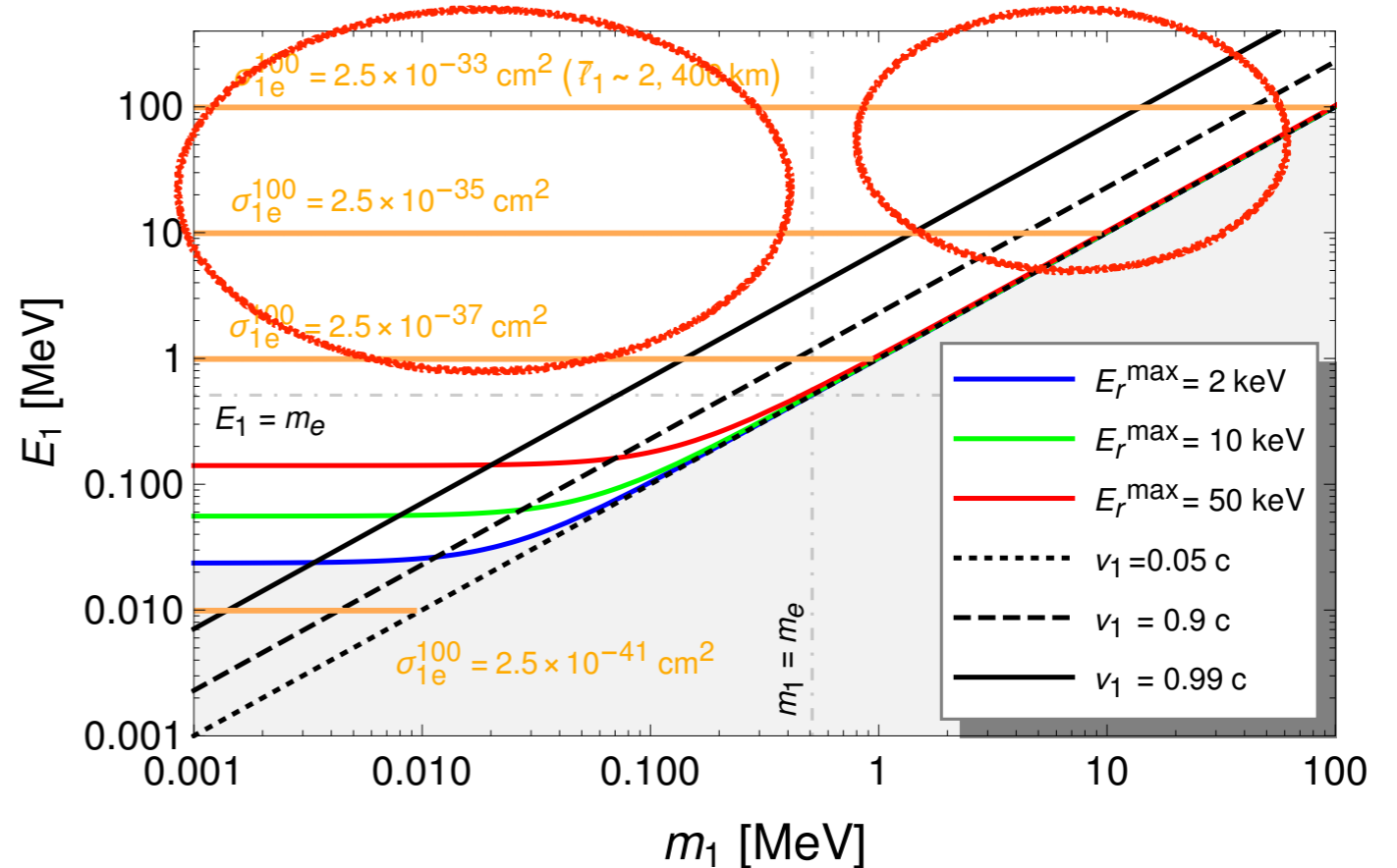
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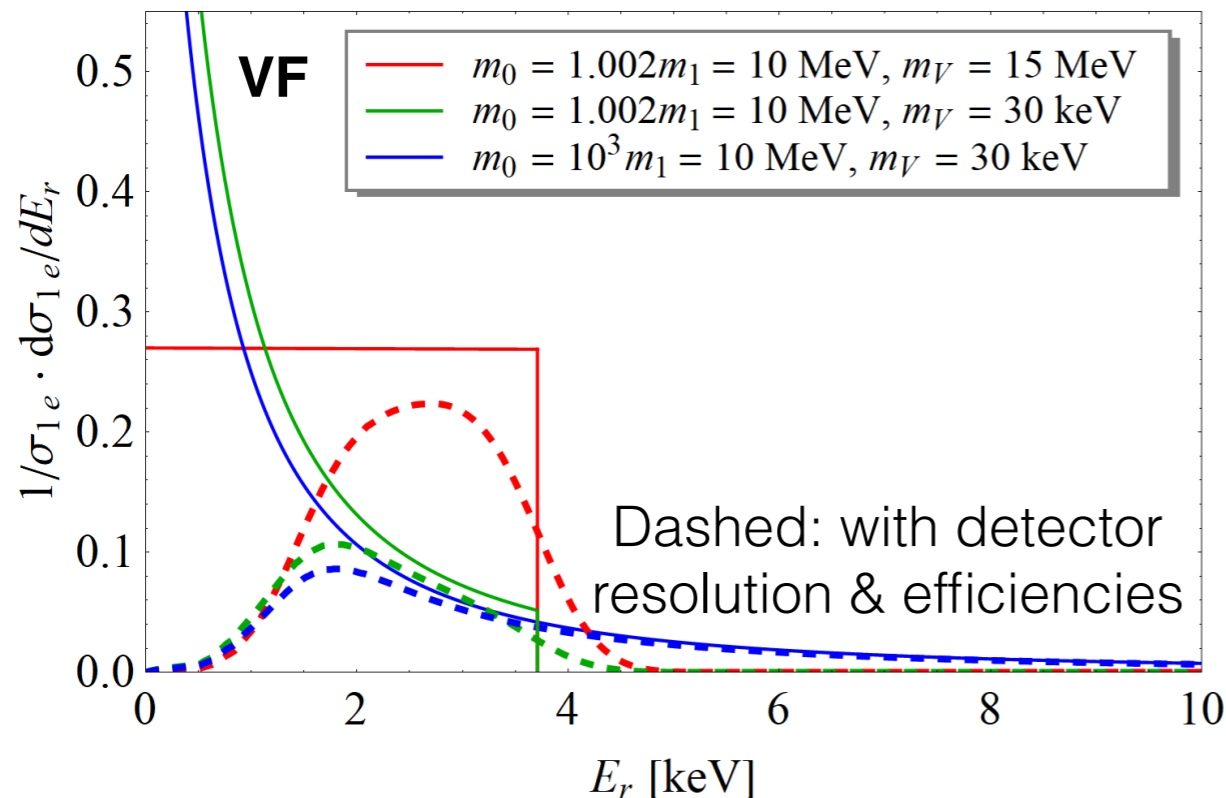
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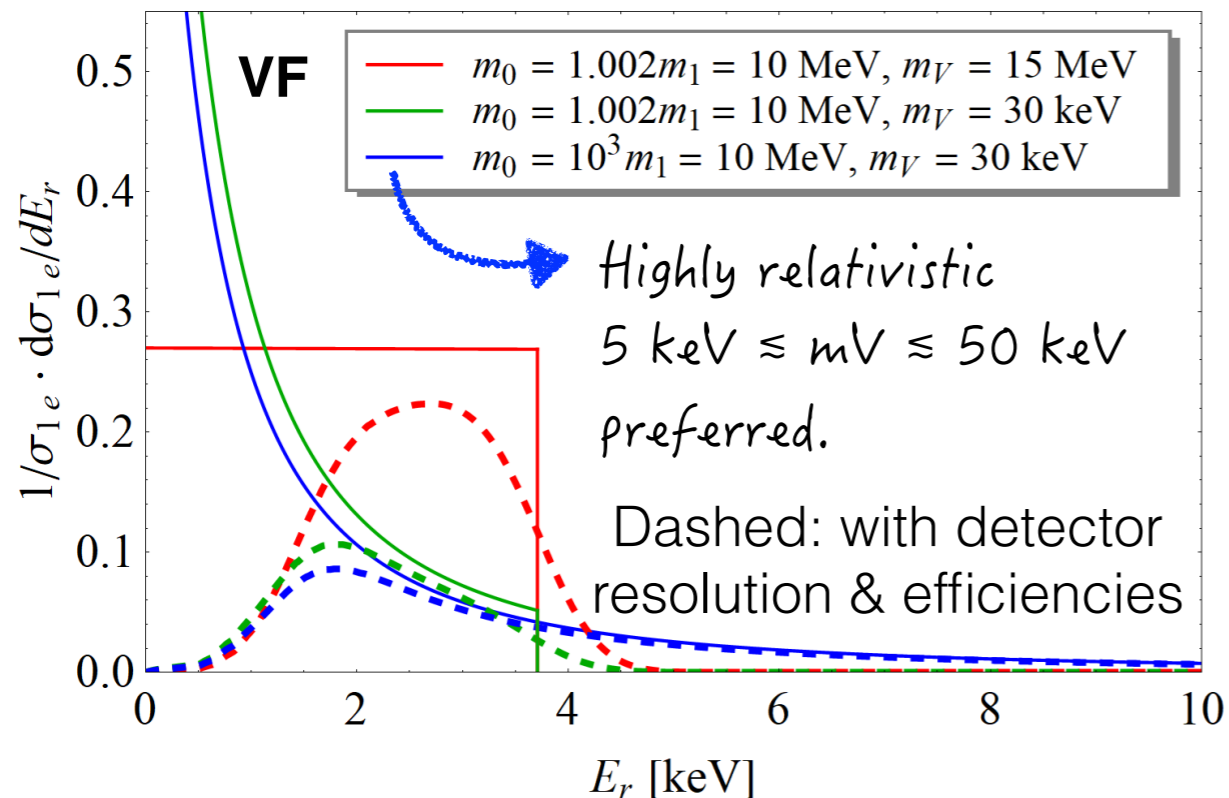


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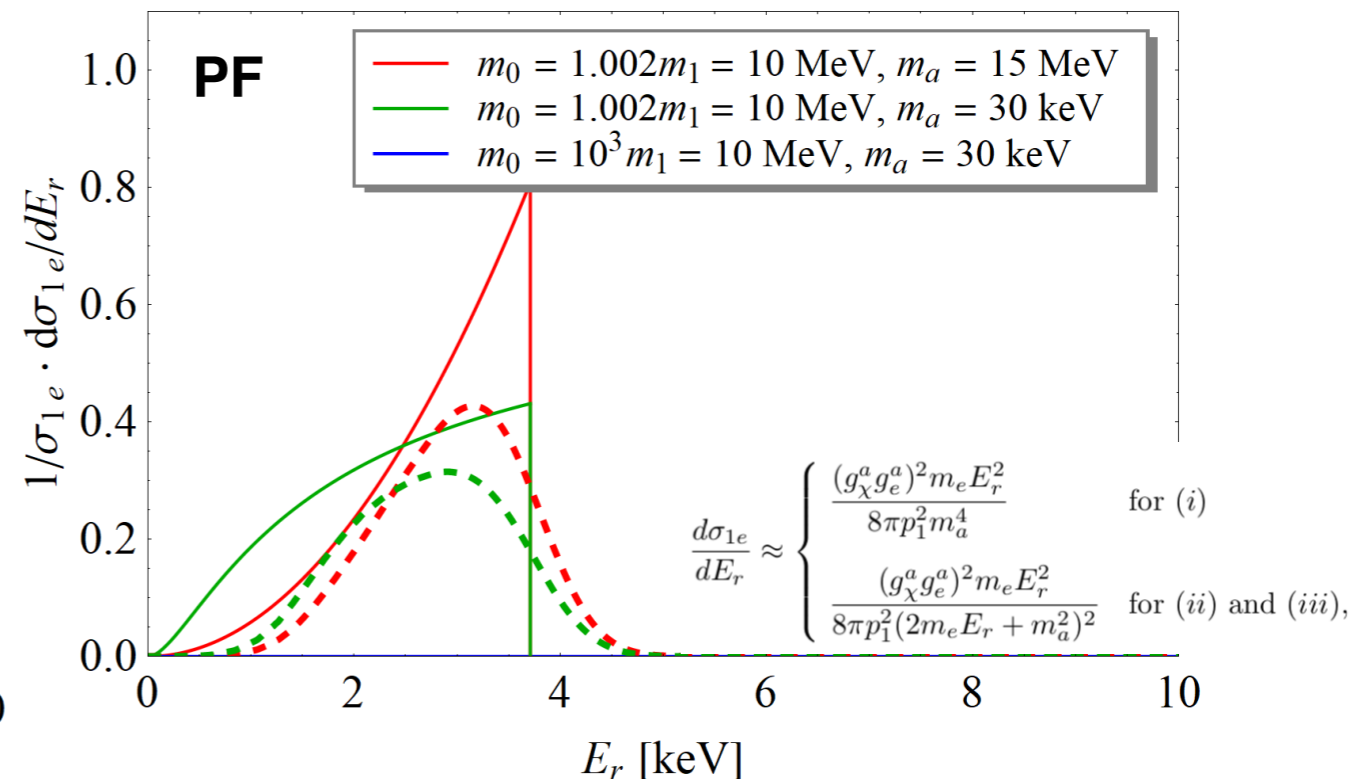
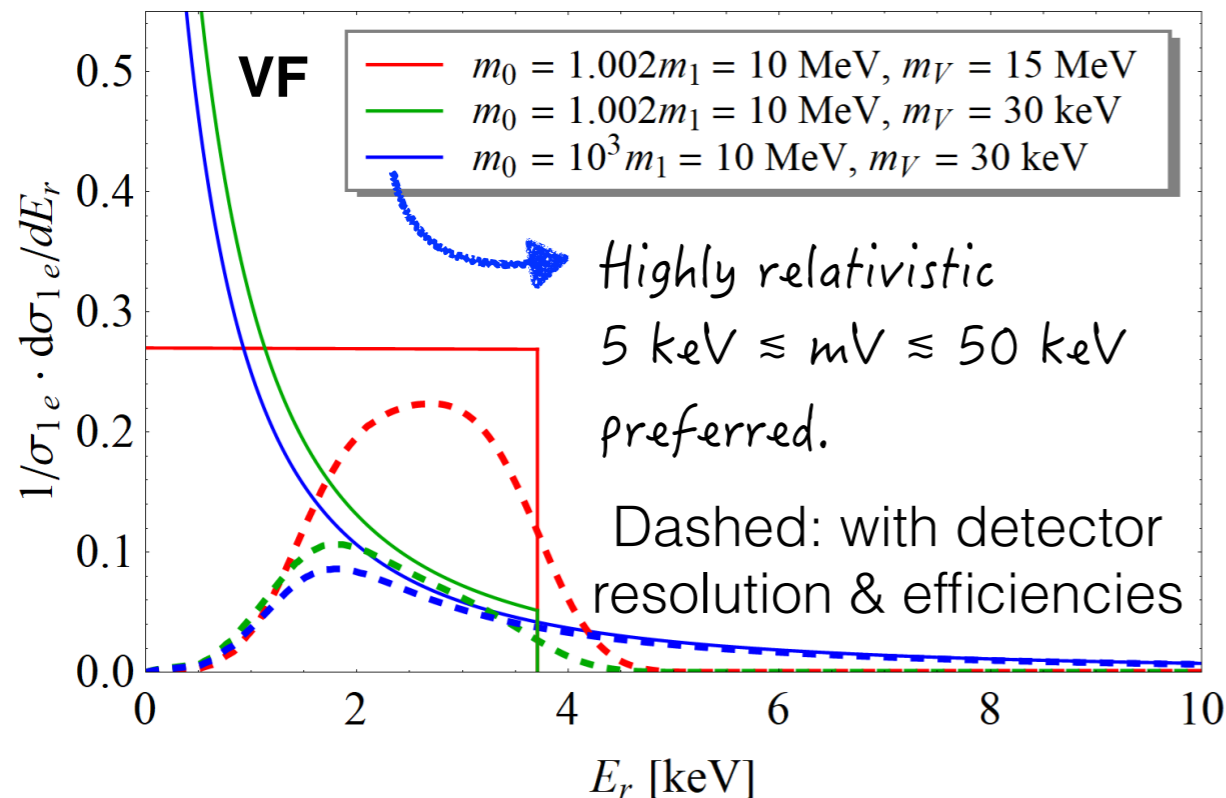


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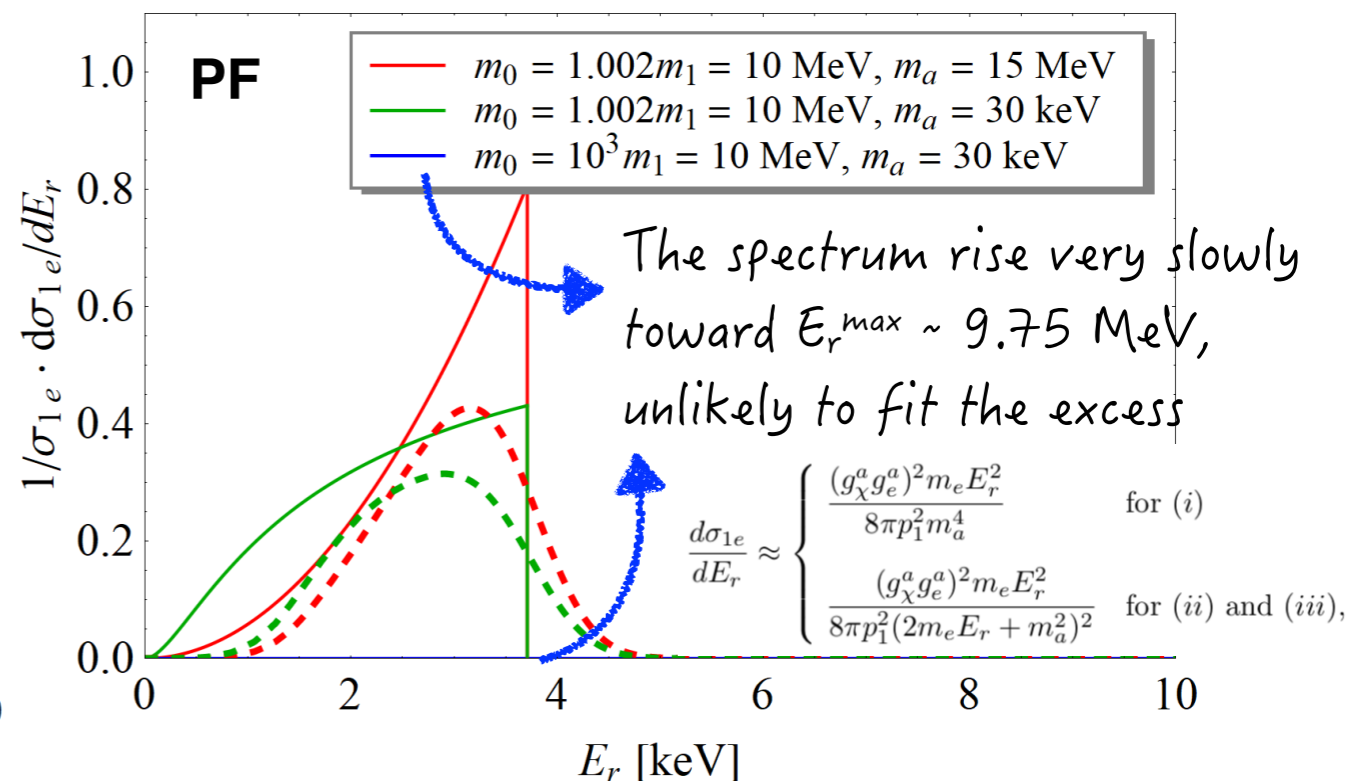
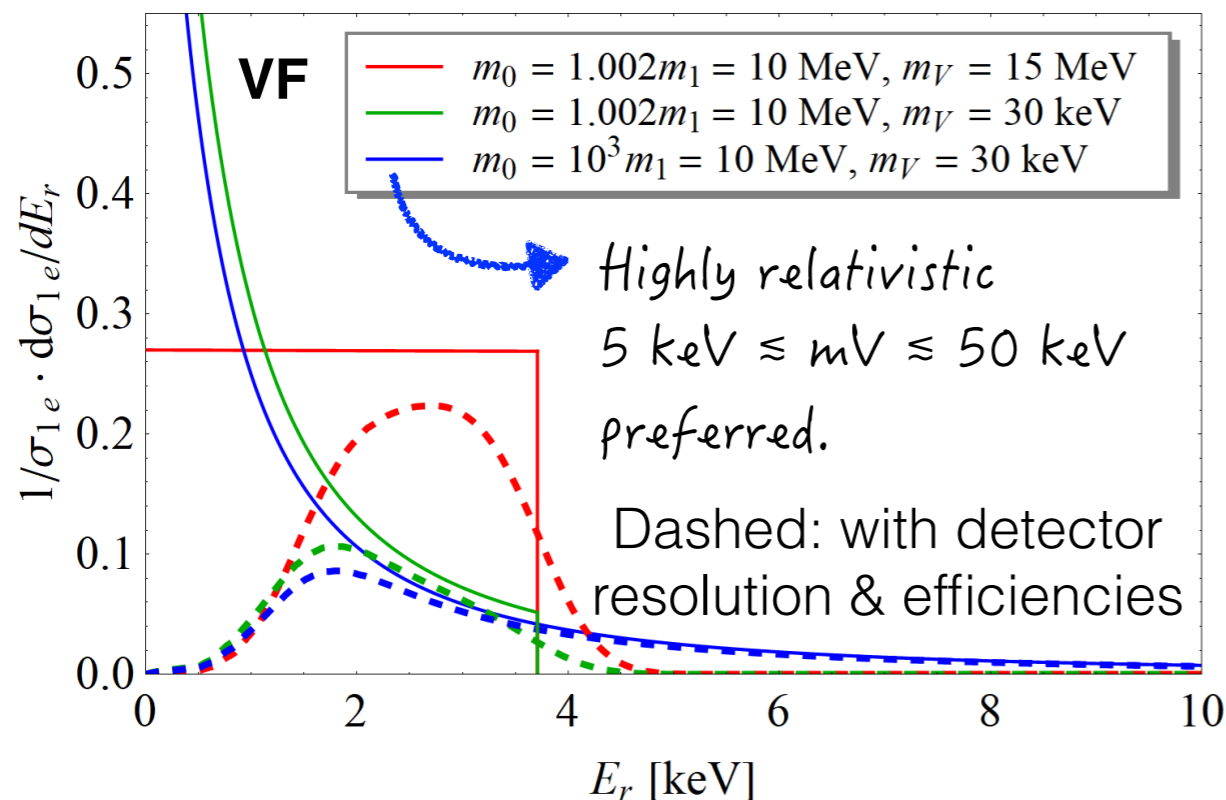


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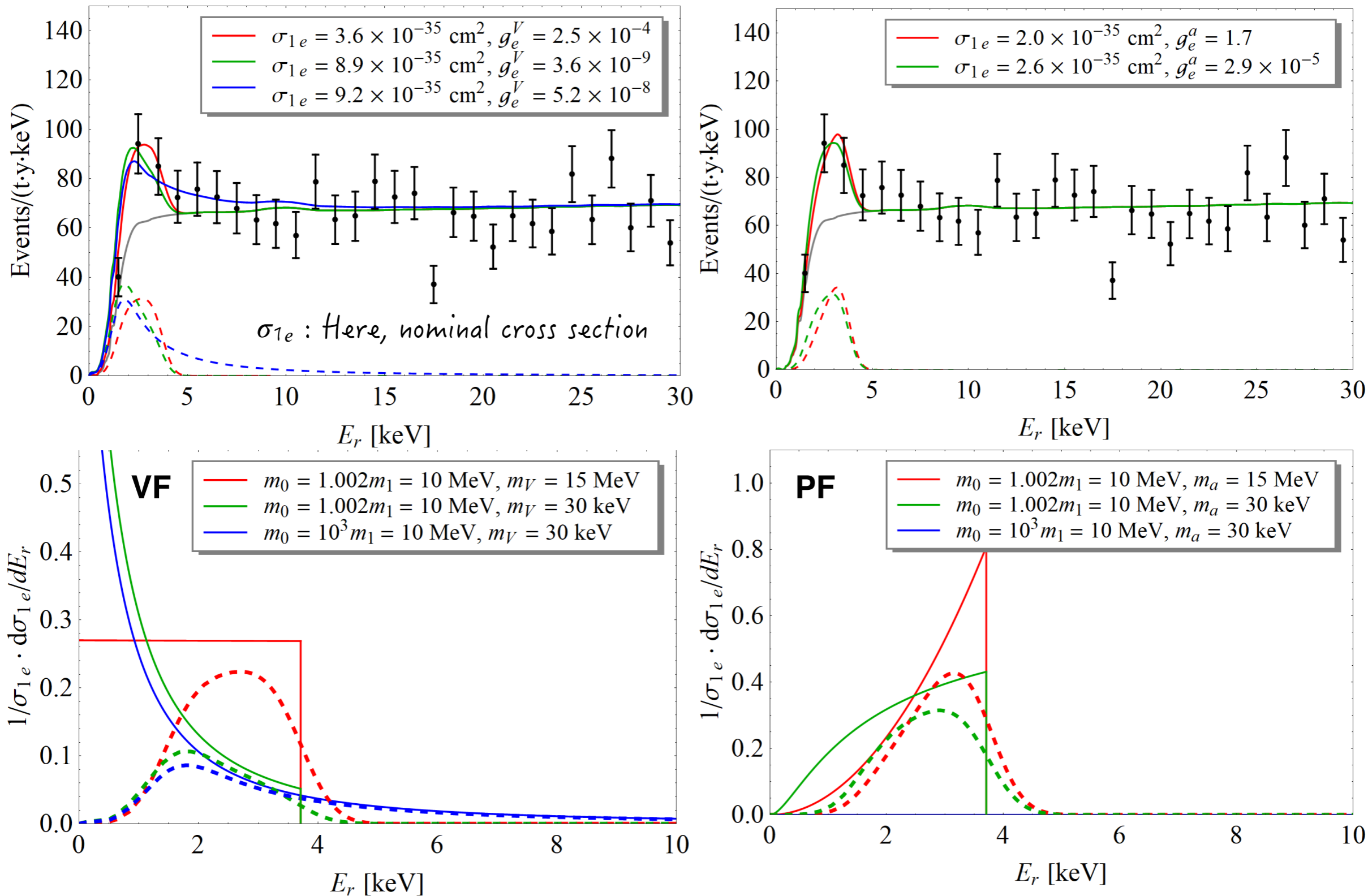
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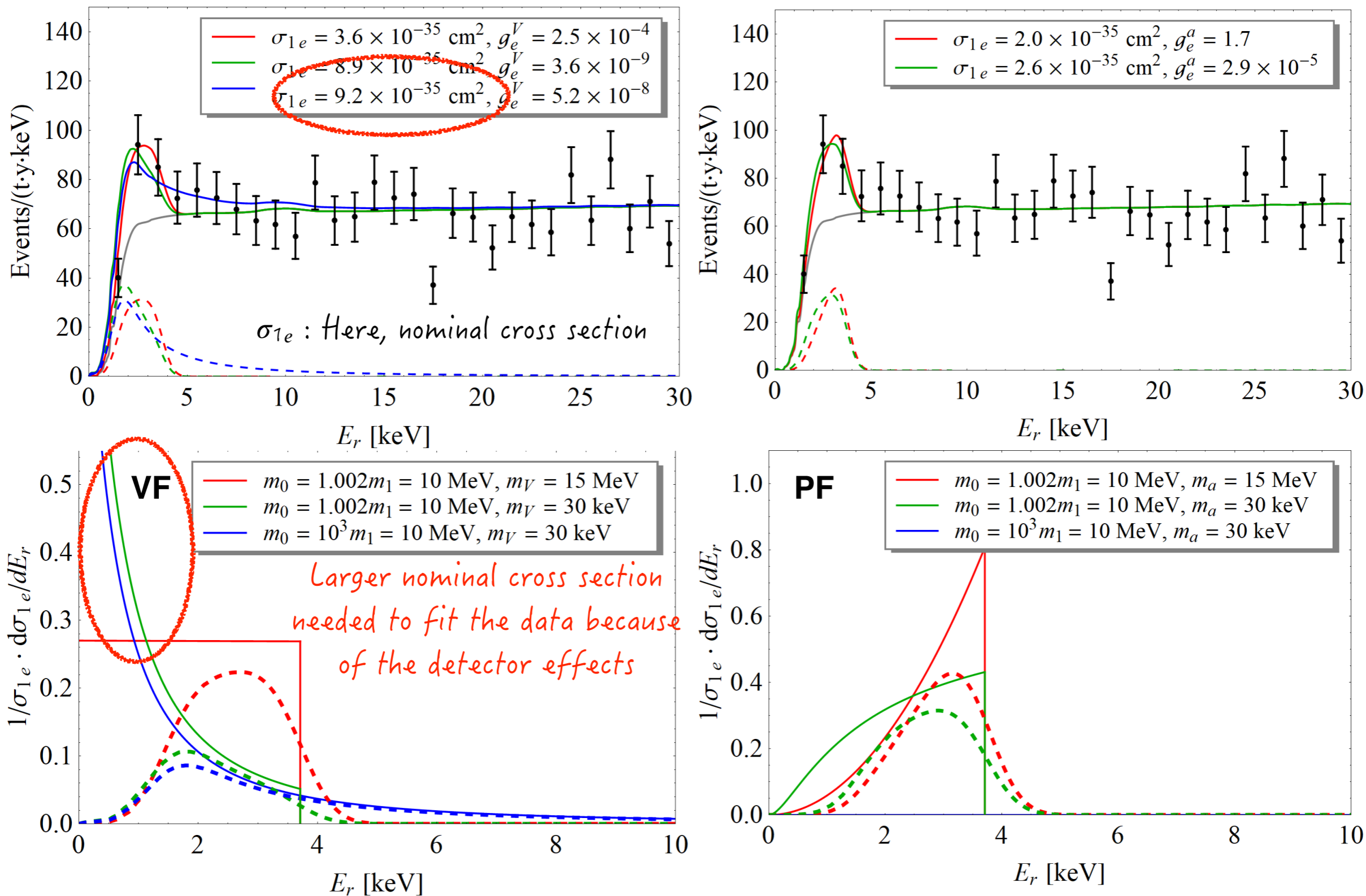
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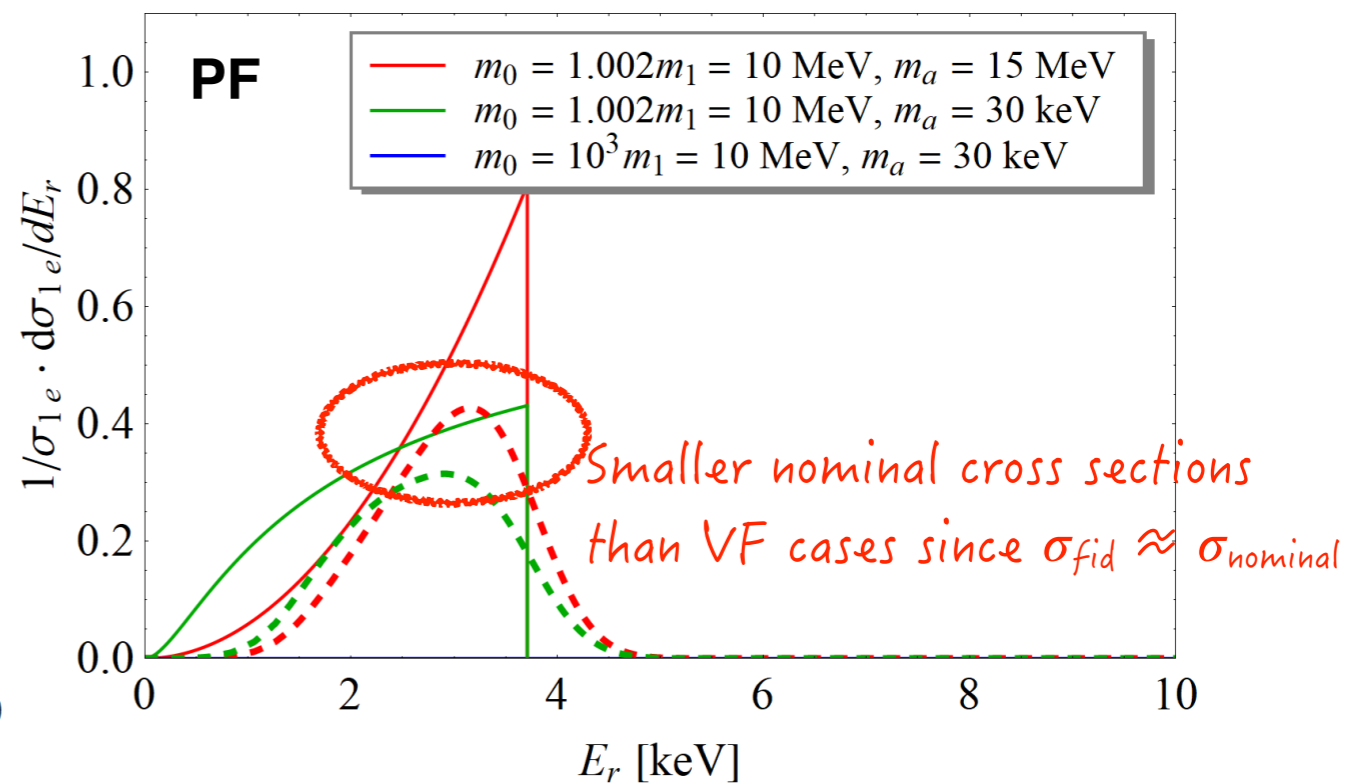
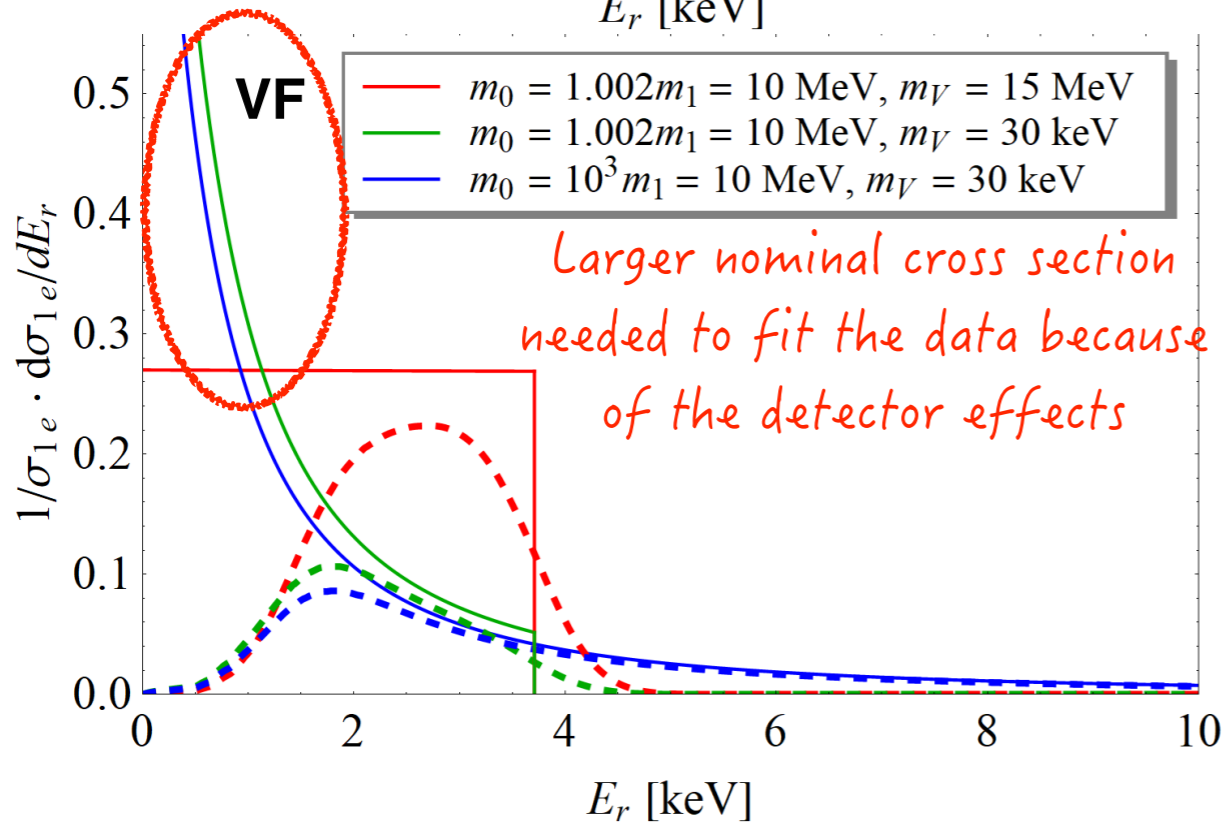
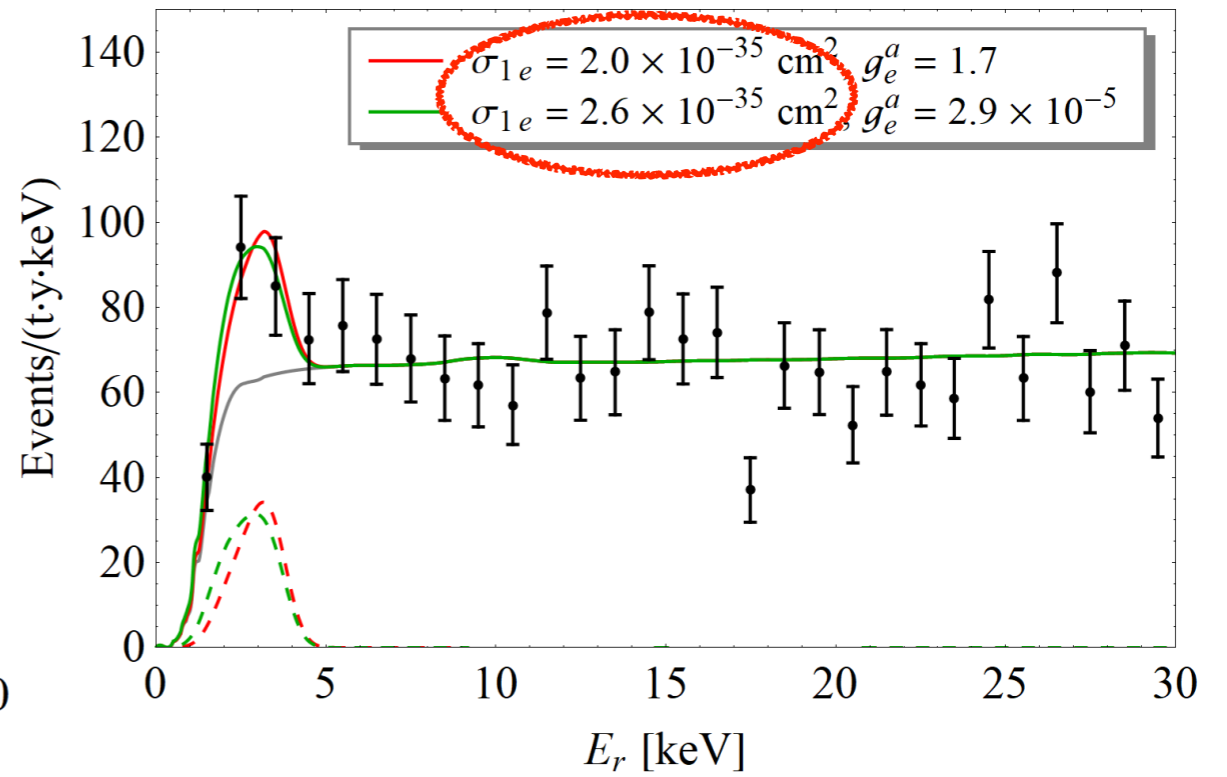
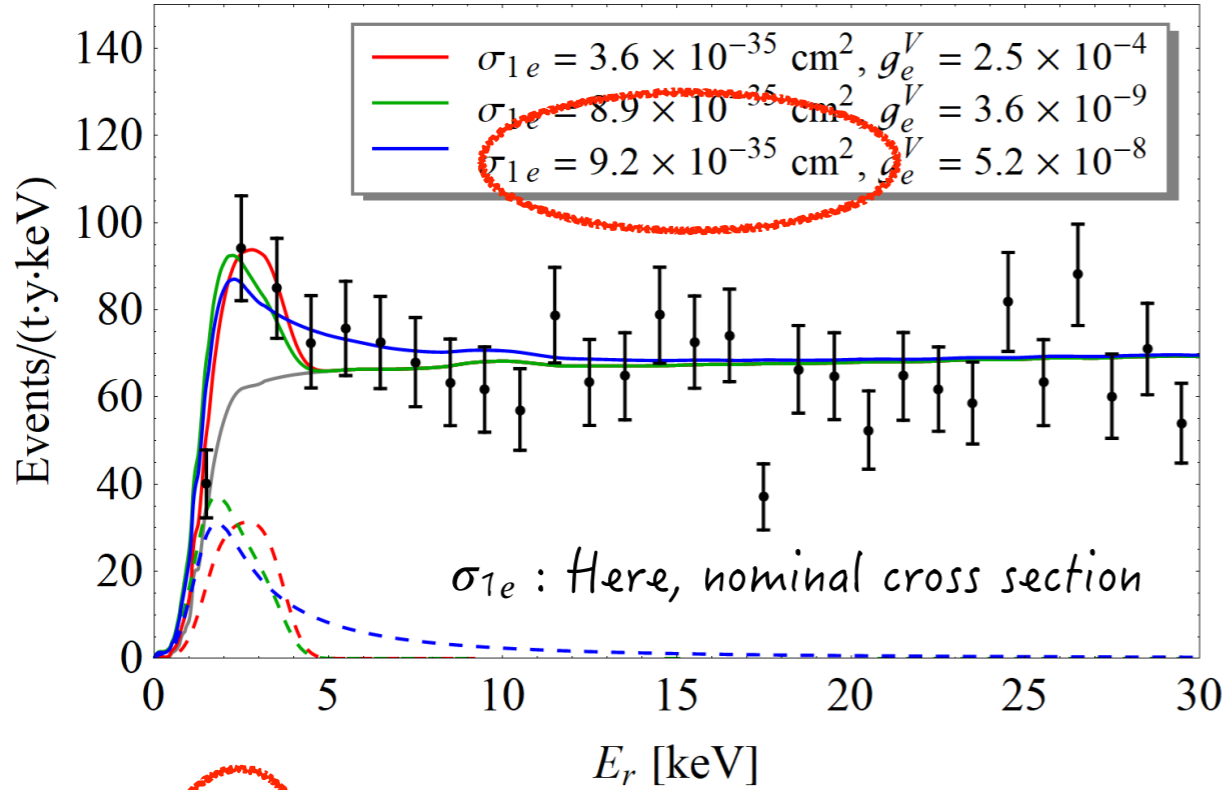
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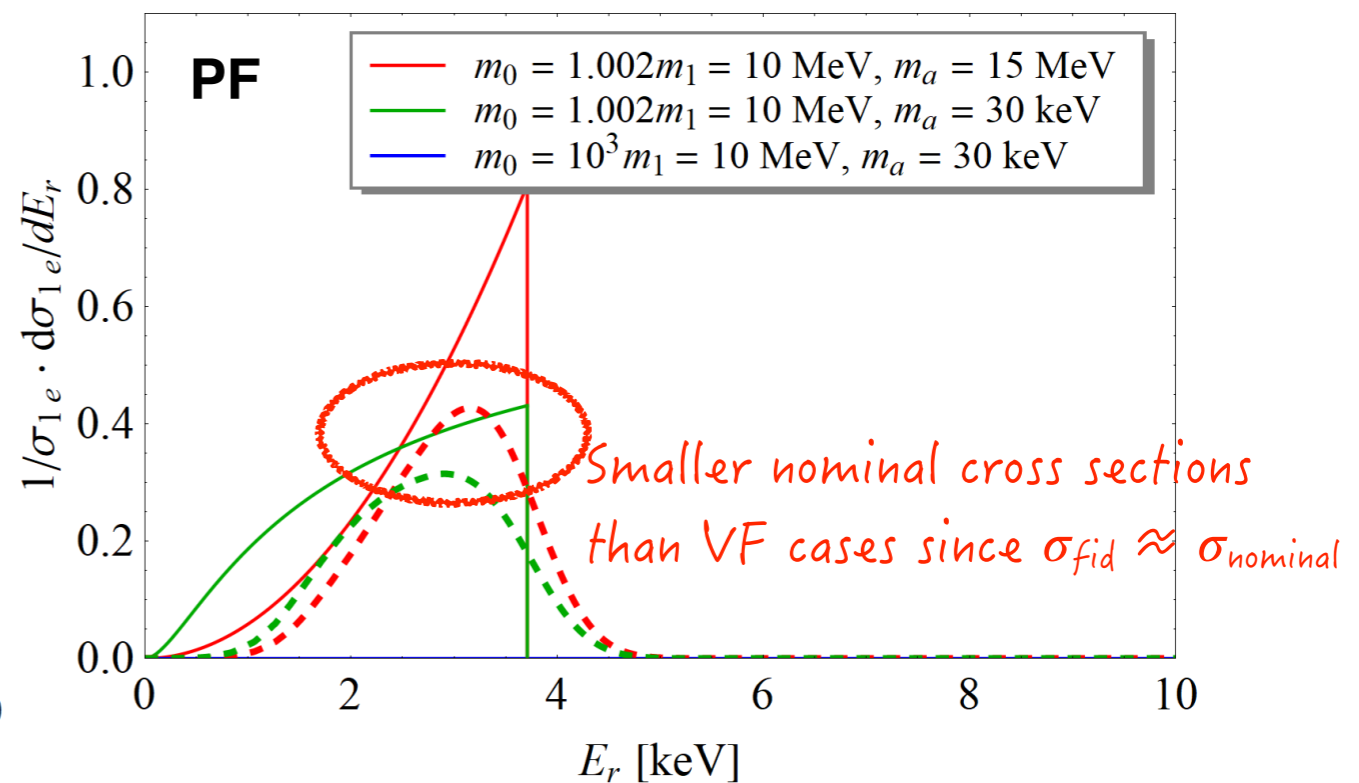
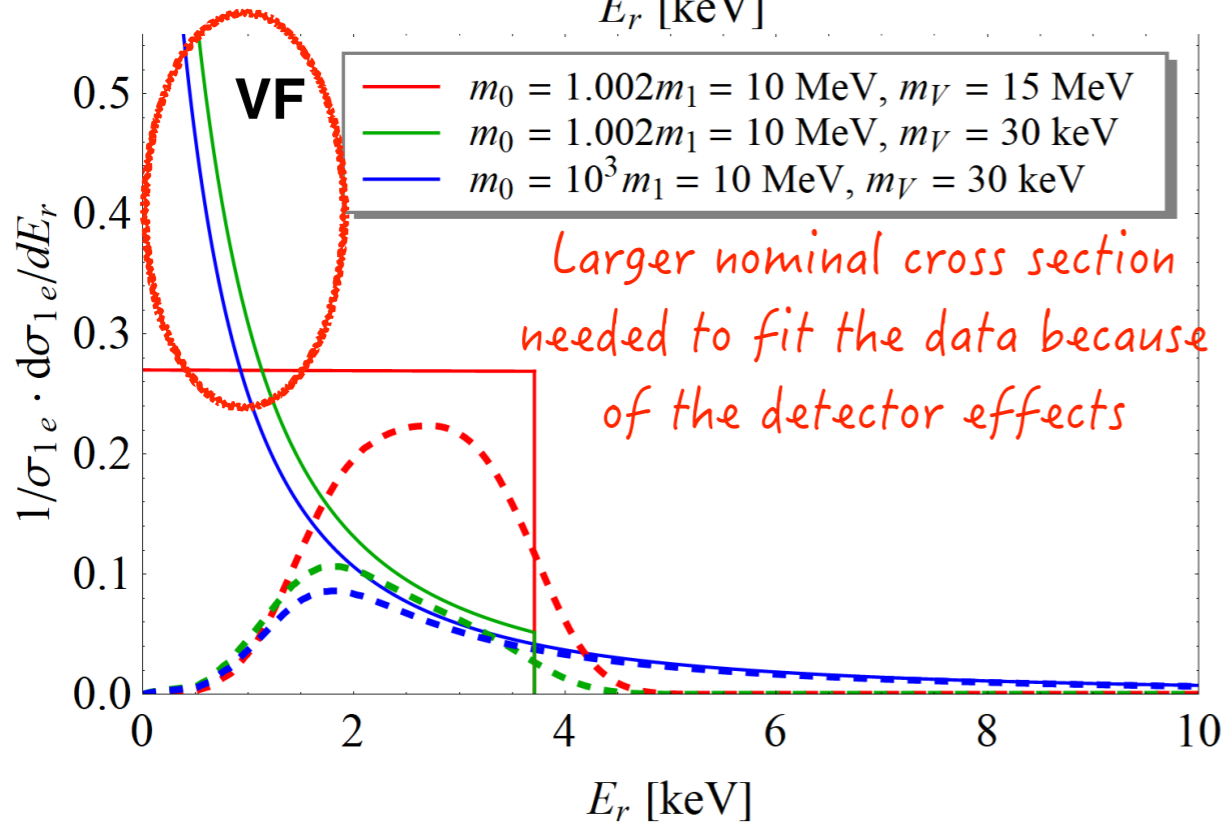
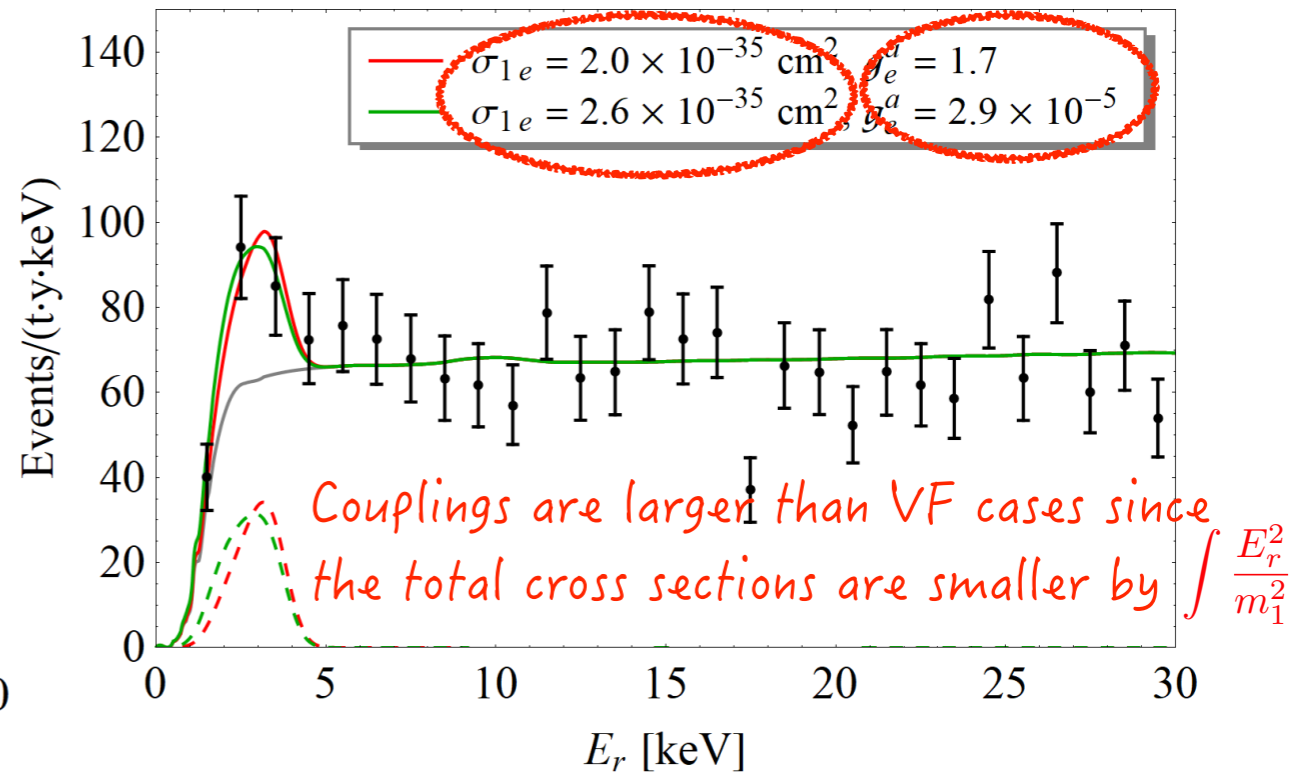
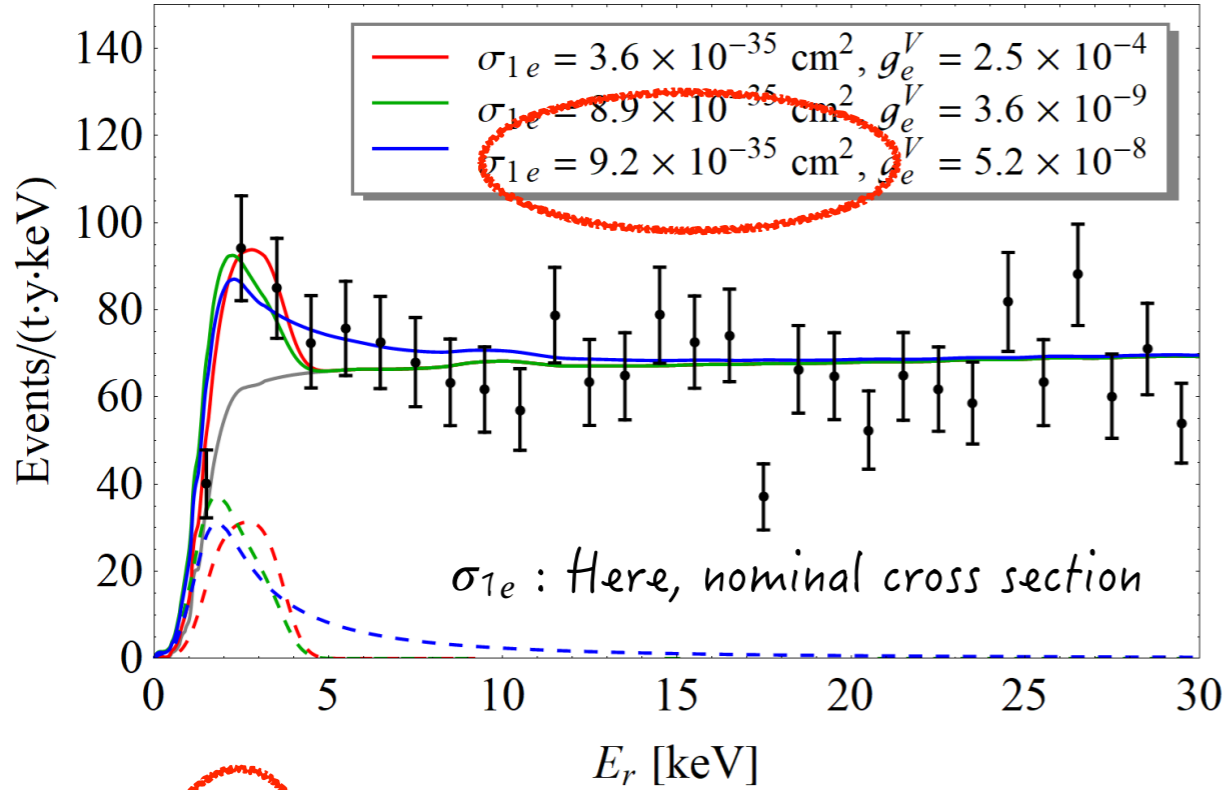
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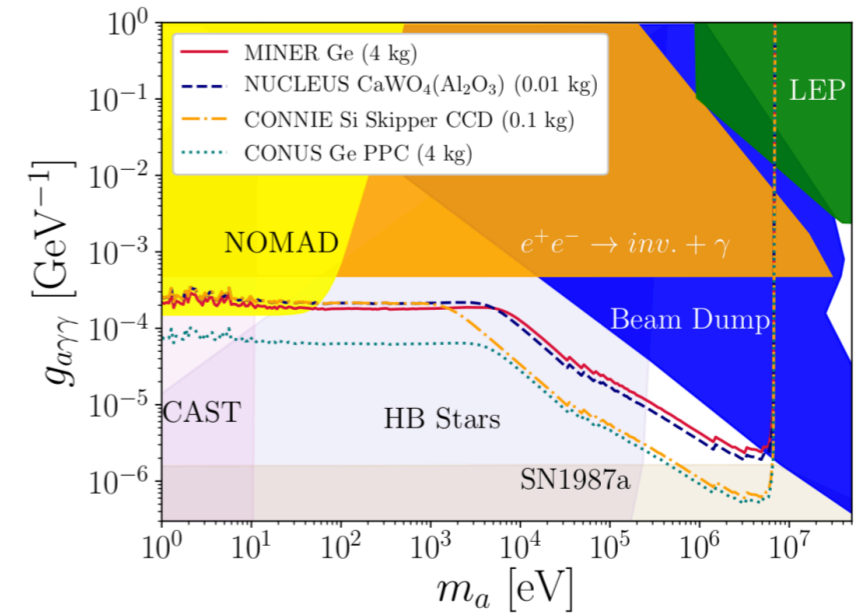
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- ✓: One can find mass spectra to reproduce XENON1T excess and satisfy the conditions of the associated regions.
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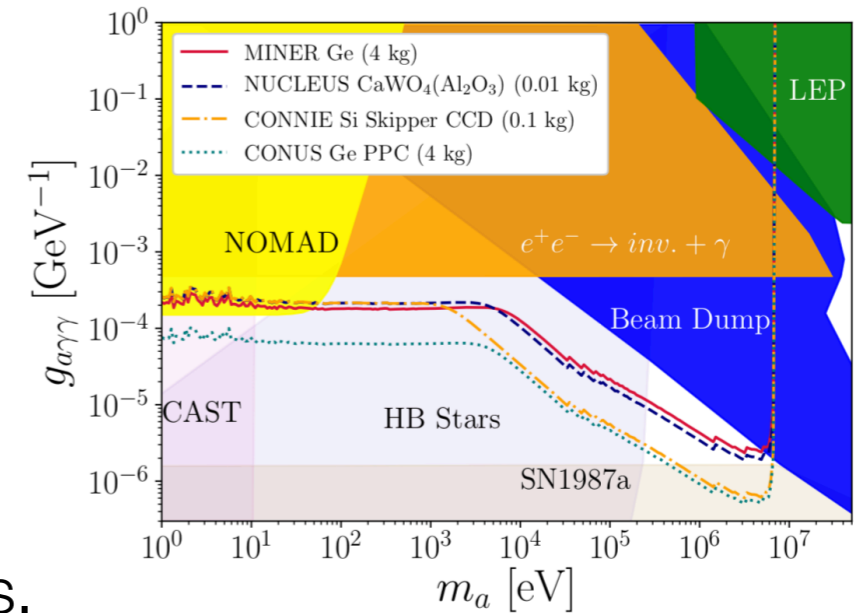
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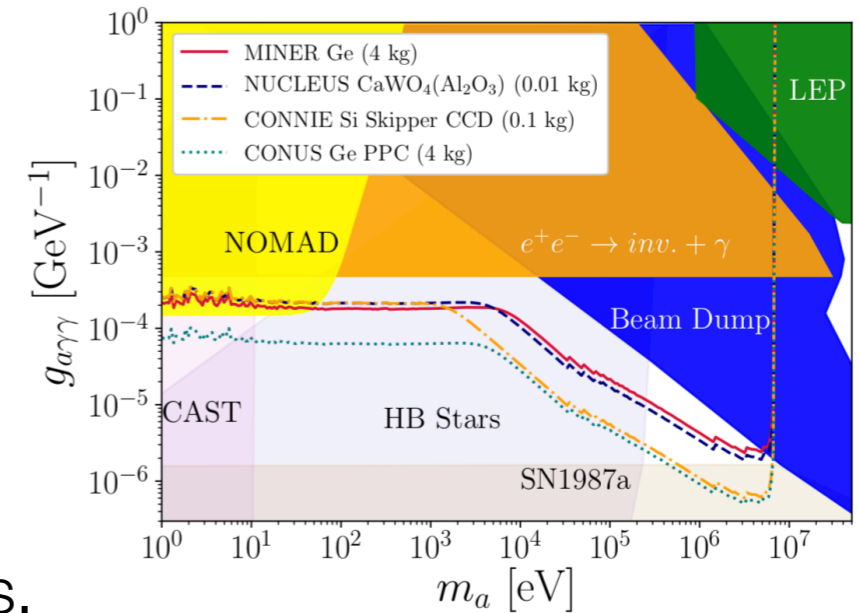
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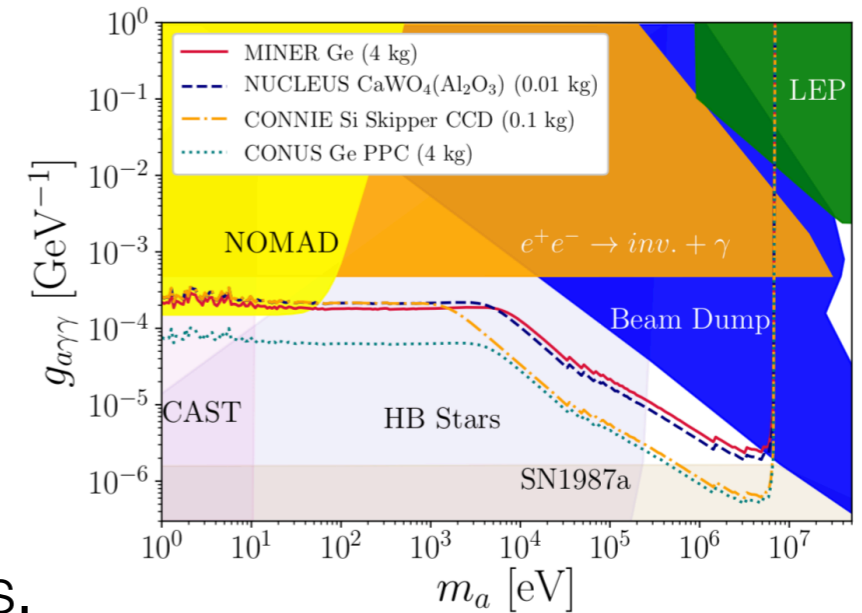
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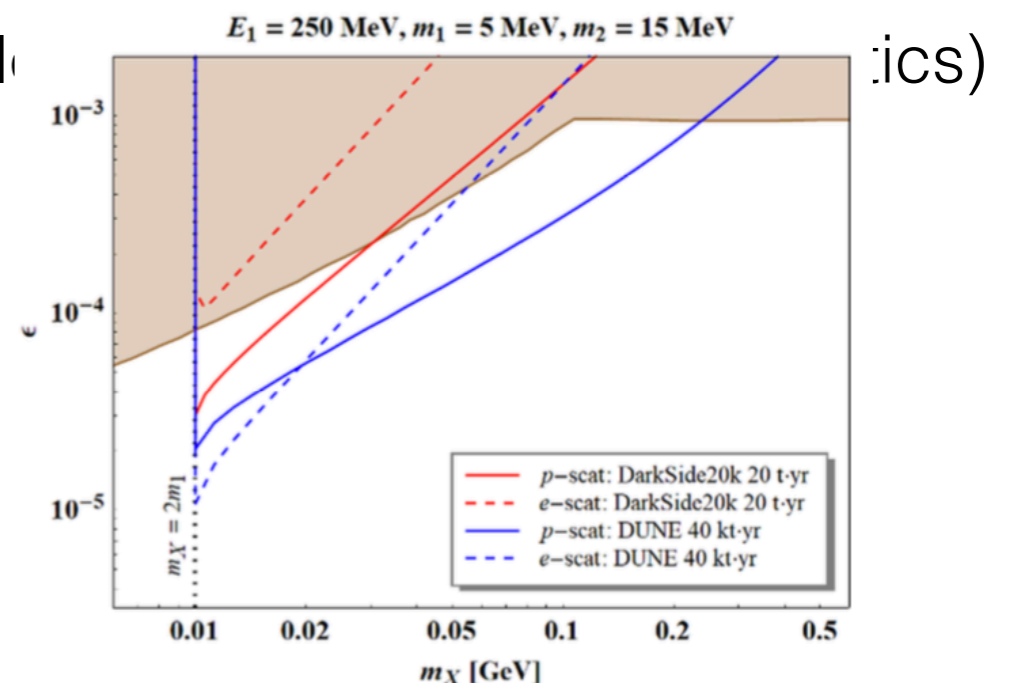
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Kim, Machado, Park, **SS**, JHEP 2007, 057 (2020)

Conclusions

- Light dark matter is being considered as a promising example of dark sector beyond WIMP.
- Due to kinematics, there are tons of experimental program searching for its electron recoil signals: mostly $E_R \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{eV})$ for non-relativistic light DM.
- Energetic light dark matter boosted in the universe (not just BDM) can leave high energy ($> \text{keV}$) electron recoil signals in DM direct detection experiments: Byproduct of the existing or planned experiments, e.g., COSINE-100.
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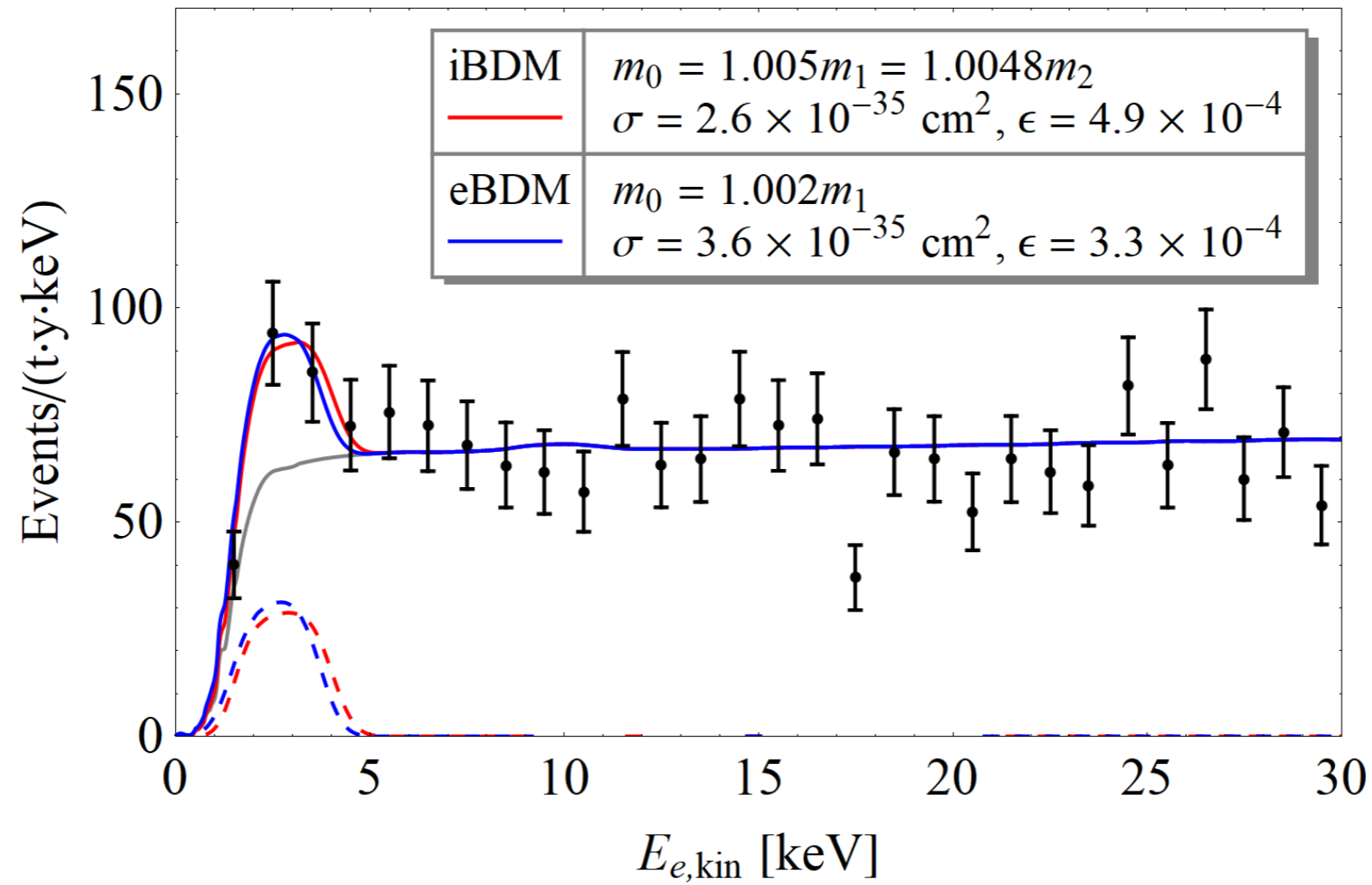
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where E_r^{obs} is the smeared recoil energy which is what is observed in the experiment. Note that the recoil energy of the targets in the experimental results including that of the recent XENON1T is technically this E_r^{obs} in our notation. Hence we need to show the fitting result in terms of E_r^{obs} , not the un-smeared recoiling energy E_r . Then the differential distribution of the observed recoil energy is given by

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Backup: iBDM fit

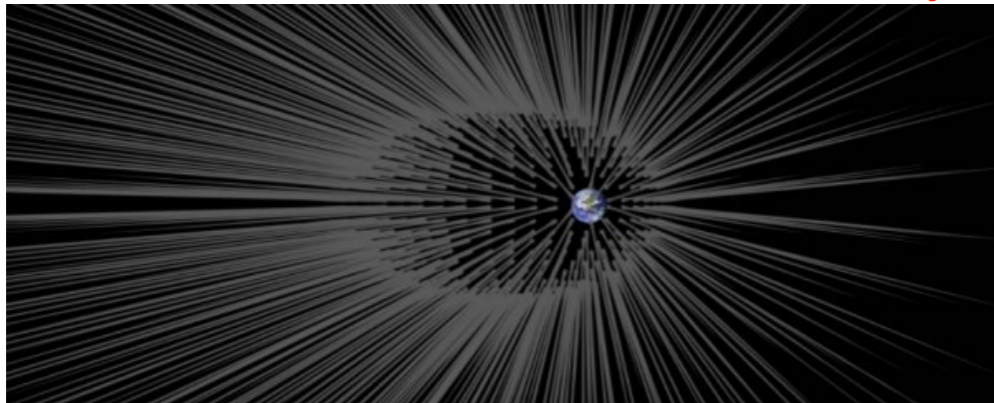
$$m_0 = 10 \text{ MeV}, m_X = 15 \text{ MeV}, \alpha_D = 0.5$$



Backup: various BDM scenarios

~~WIMP wind $\sim O(100 \text{ km/s})$~~

$\gg O(100 \text{ km/s})$



in promising theories beyond WIMP

- Anti-DM from DM-induced nucleon decay in the Sun

Huang, Zhao, 1312.0011

- Solar reflection: light DM scattered with hot solar nuclei or electrons

An, Pospelov, Pradler, Ritz, 1708.03642

Emken, Kouvaris, Nielsen, 1709.06573

- Energetic cosmic-ray induced light DM

Bringmann, Pospelov, 1810.10543

Yin, 1809.08610

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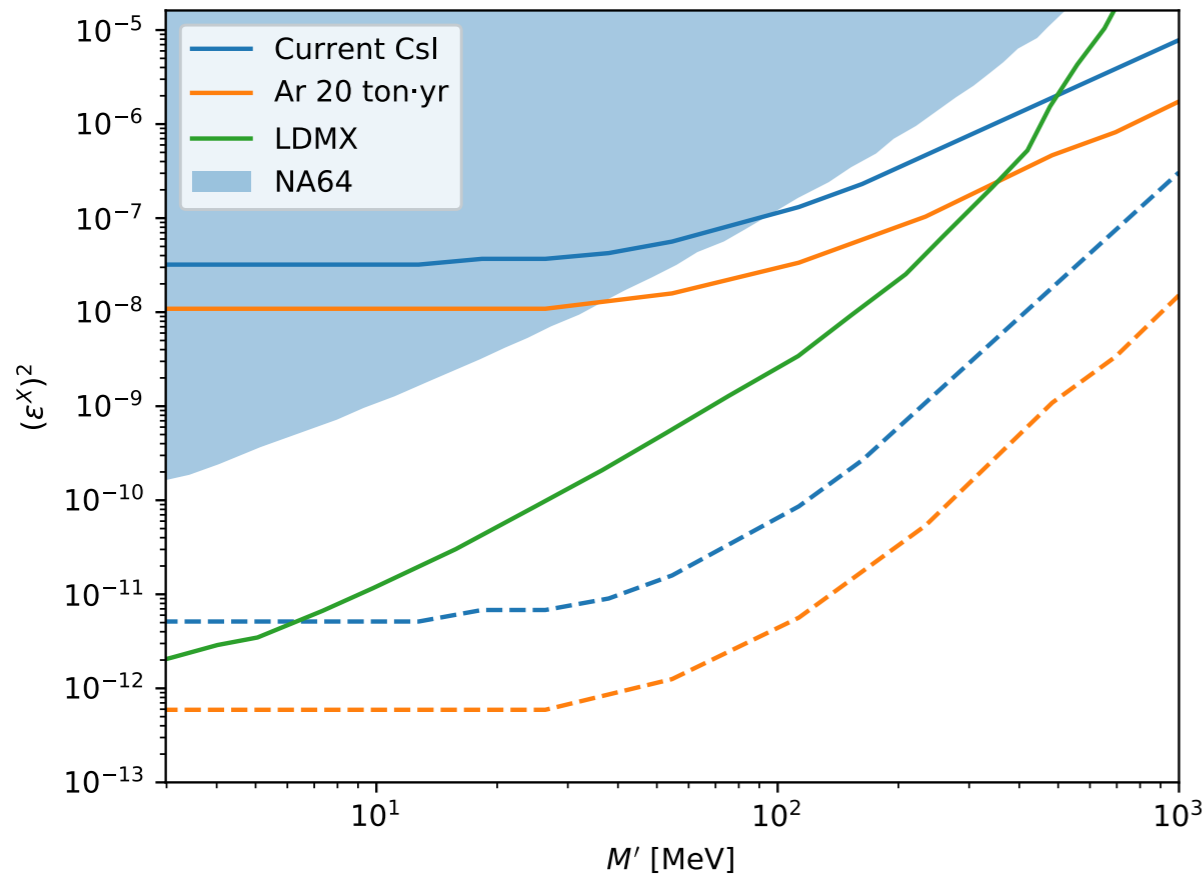
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- Boosted Dark Matter: DM boosted by the dark sector structure

from 2014 (not from scattering with the energetic SM particles)

Backup: COHERENT

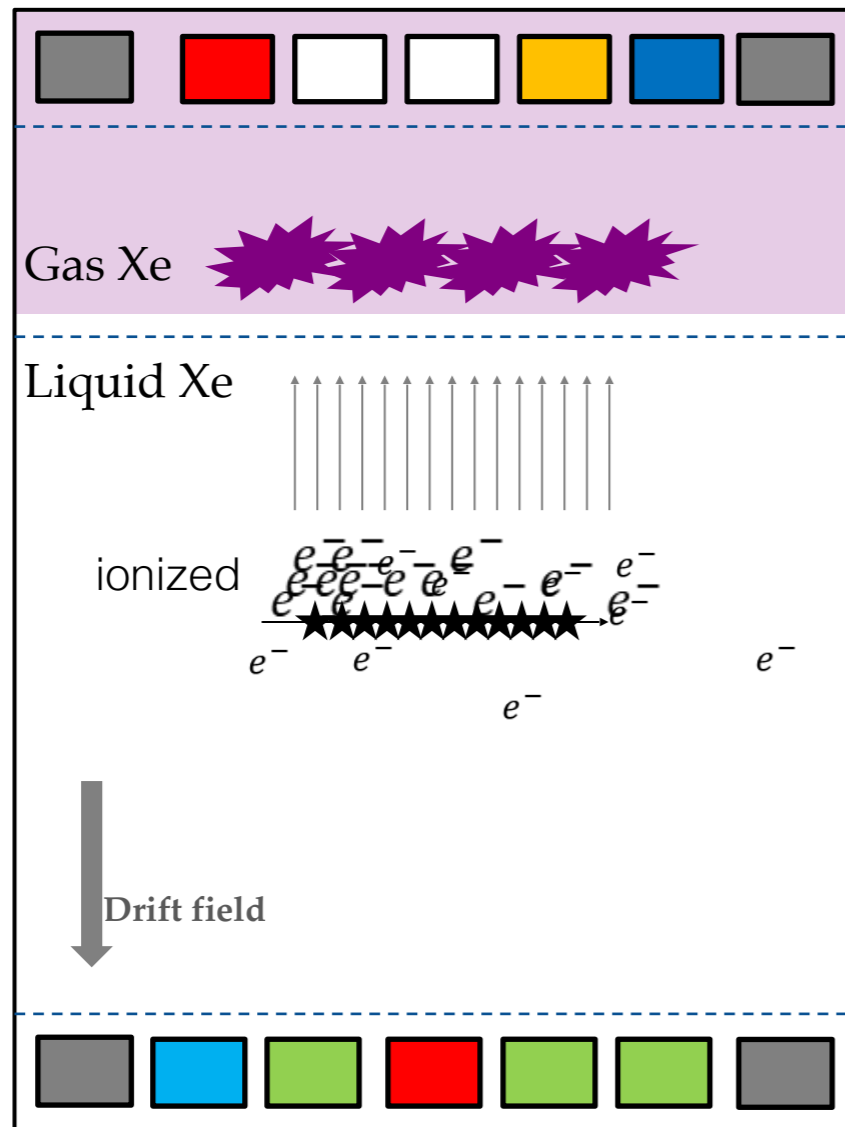
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COHERENT-LAr	Nucleus scattering	$E_r > 21 \text{ keV}$	$t < 1.5 \mu\text{s}$
CCM	Nucleus scattering	$E_r > 50 \text{ keV}$	$t < 0.1 \mu\text{s}$ (Tight WP) $t < 0.4 \mu\text{s}$ (Loose WP)
JSNS ²	Electron scattering	$E_r > 30 \text{ MeV}$	$t < 0.25 \mu\text{s}$



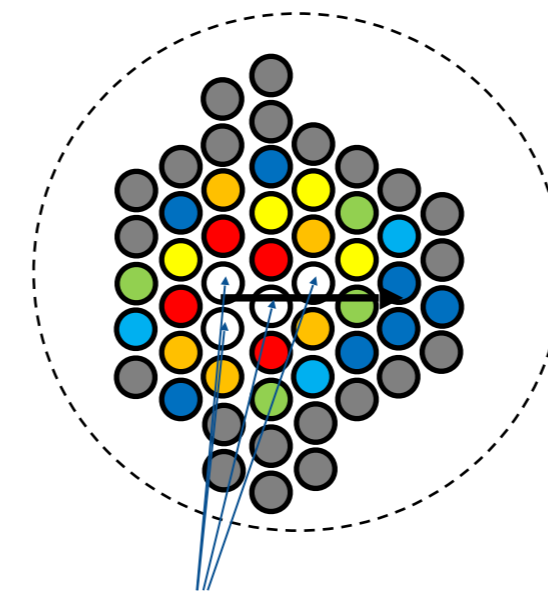
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JSNS ² [19–21]	3	3.8×10^{22}	Hg	Gd-LS: 17 ton, 24 m, 29°, 2.6 MeV
CCM [22–24]	0.8	1.0×10^{22}	W	LAr: 7 ton, 20 m, 90°, 25 keV

Backup: expected pattern

XENONT1T or LZ



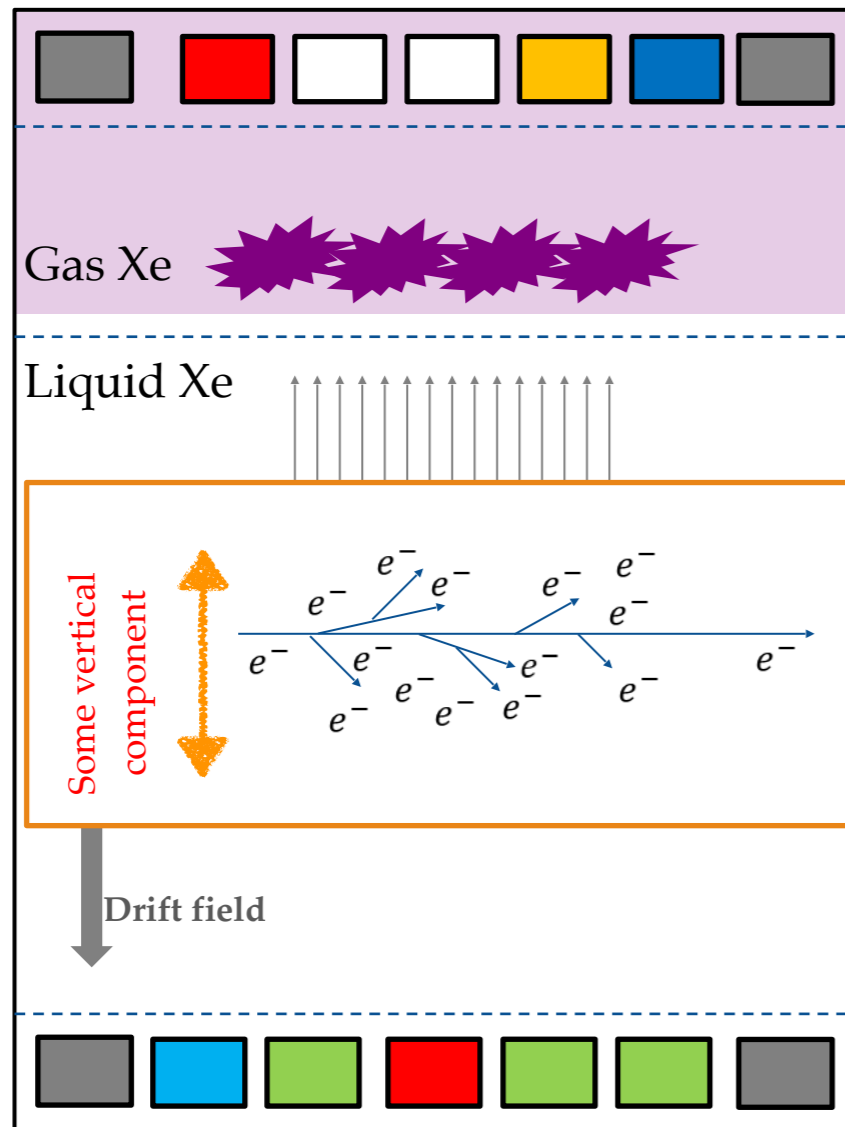
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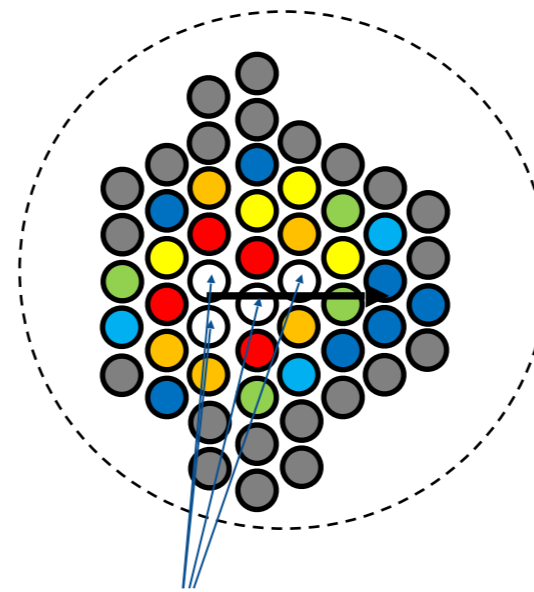
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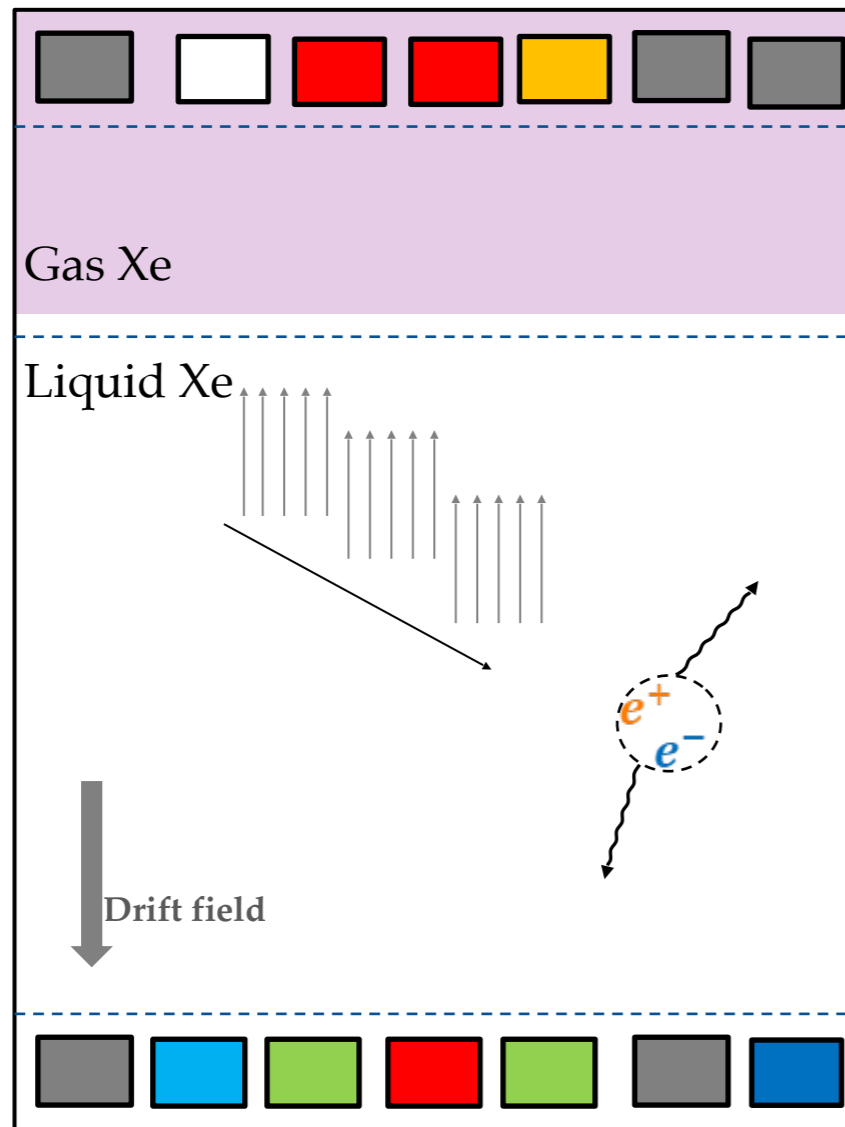


Saturated PMTs

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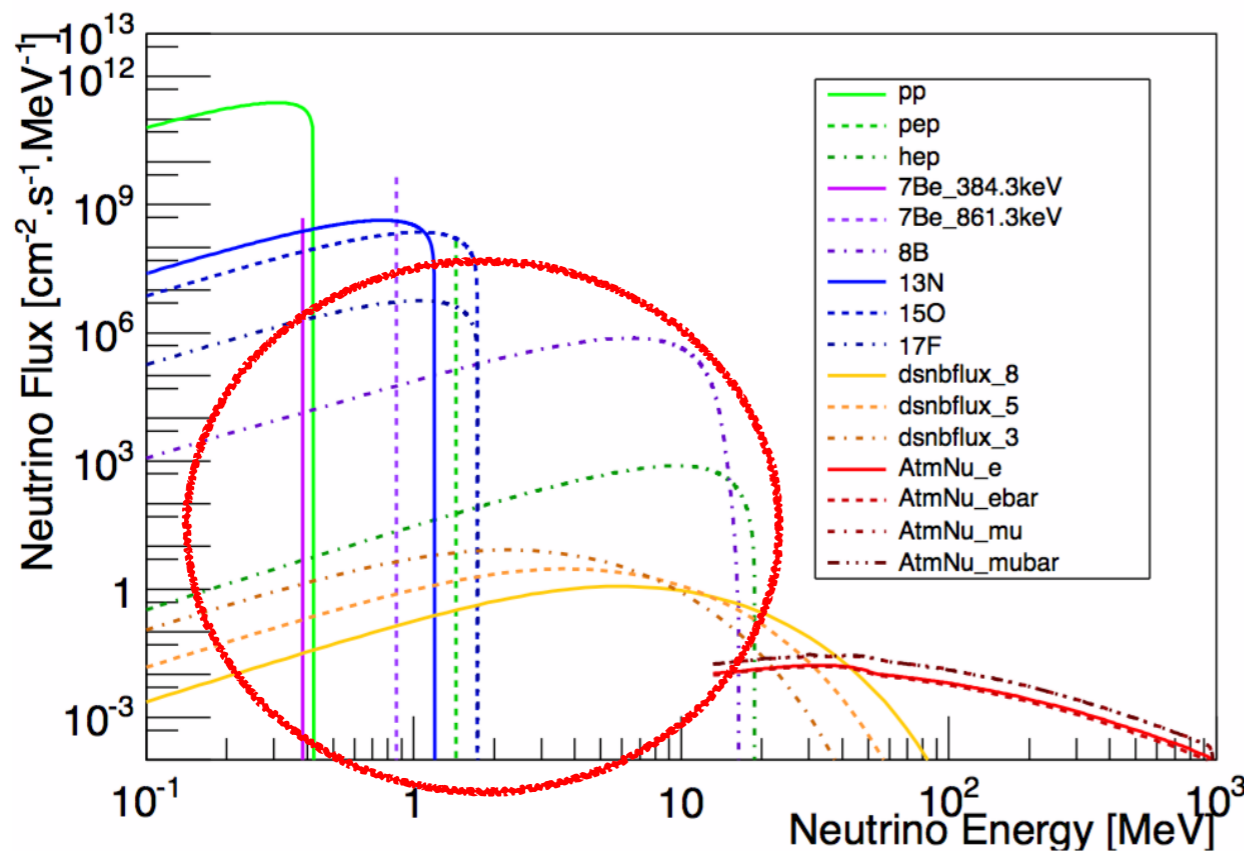
Characteristic feature in Bragg peak



- Two 511keV γ -rays
- Region isolated from primary vertex

Backup: Possible backgrounds?

- Displaced vertex: No → Promising!
- Elastic/prompt decay: solar neutrino? **Energy cut!**



1307.5458

0.1 events at LZ-5y with $E_e > 10$ MeV cut

TABLE II. ^8B neutrino scattering cross sections. The scattering cross sections for ^8B solar neutrinos incident on electrons are given for different values of the minimum accepted kinetic energy T_{\min} . The neutrinos are assumed to be pure electron neutrinos (ν_e) or muon neutrinos (ν_μ) when they reach the Earth. The cross sections were calculated for $\sin^2\theta_W=0.23$. The quantities $F_{e-\nu_e}$ and $F_{e-\nu_\mu}$ are the fractional changes in the cross section for a change in $\sin^2\theta_W$ equal to 0.01 [see Eq. (22)].

T_{\min} (MeV)	$\sigma_{e-\nu_e}$ (10^{-46} cm 2)	$F_{e-\nu_e}$	$\sigma_{e-\nu_\mu}$ (10^{-46} cm 2)	$F_{e-\nu_\mu}$
0.0	6.08×10^2	0.029	1.04×10^2	-0.040
1.0	5.09×10^2	0.029	8.39×10^1	-0.046
2.0	4.15×10^2	0.028	6.63×10^1	-0.052
3.0	3.27×10^2	0.028	5.10×10^1	-0.056
4.0	2.48×10^2	0.028	3.79×10^1	-0.060
5.0	1.80×10^2	0.028	2.71×10^1	-0.063
6.0	1.23×10^2	0.027	1.83×10^1	-0.065
7.0	7.90×10^1	0.027	1.16×10^1	-0.067
8.0	4.64×10^1	0.027	6.76×10^0	-0.068
9.0	2.44×10^1	0.027	3.53×10^0	-0.069
10.0	1.10×10^1	0.027	1.58×10^0	-0.070
11.0	3.93×10^0	0.027	5.64×10^{-1}	-0.070
12.0	9.88×10^{-1}	0.027	1.41×10^{-1}	-0.071
13.0	1.36×10^{-1}	0.027	1.94×10^{-2}	-0.071
13.5	3.60×10^{-2}	0.027	5.13×10^{-3}	-0.071
14.0	7.4×10^{-3}	0.027	1.0×10^{-3}	-0.071

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Backup: Detector comparison

Xenon1T

Ton size

Good angular/
position resolutions

Less background
(prompt/elastic)

Lower energy range

Smaller m_1 and E_1

Displaced vertex

Post-discovery analysis

Borexino
(solar ν)

100 ton size

Bad angular/position
resolutions

More background
(prompt/elastic)

Higher energy range
0.2MeV

Larger m_1 and E_1

COSINE-100, CUORE
(array-type)

Sub-ton size

Better in identifying
displaced vertices

No background
(small size)

Lower energy range

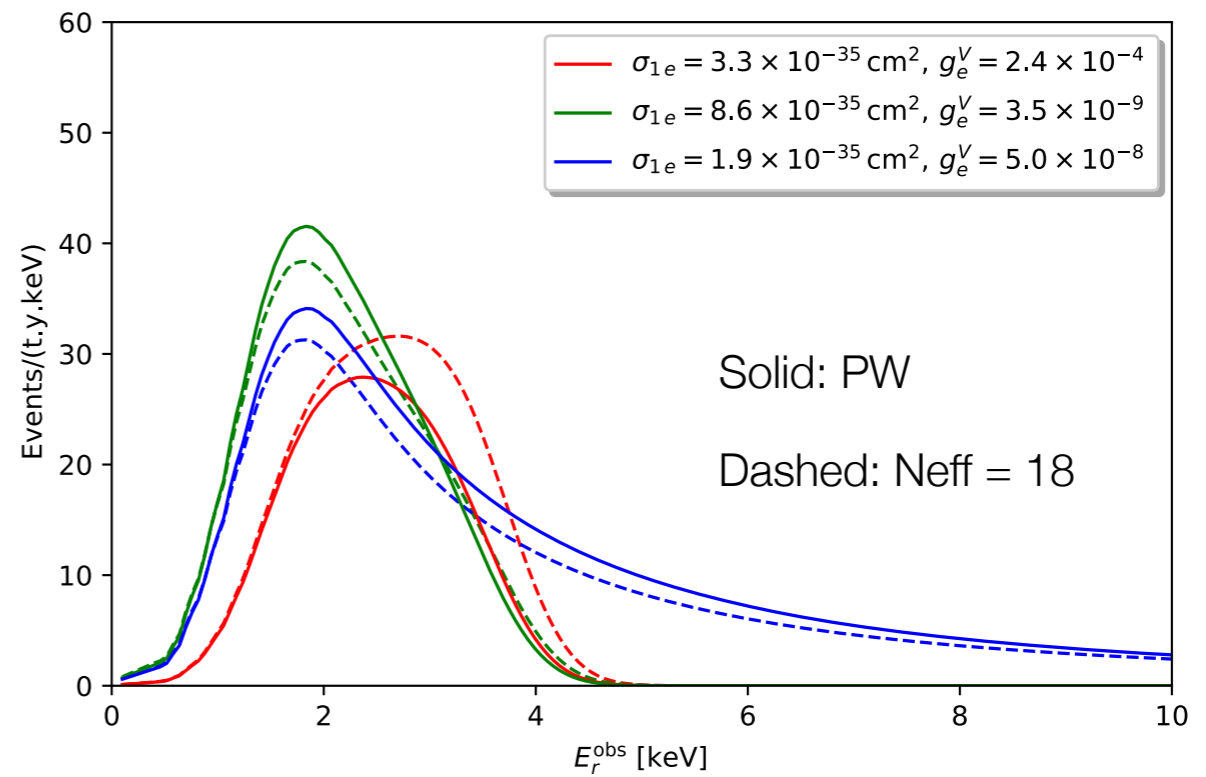
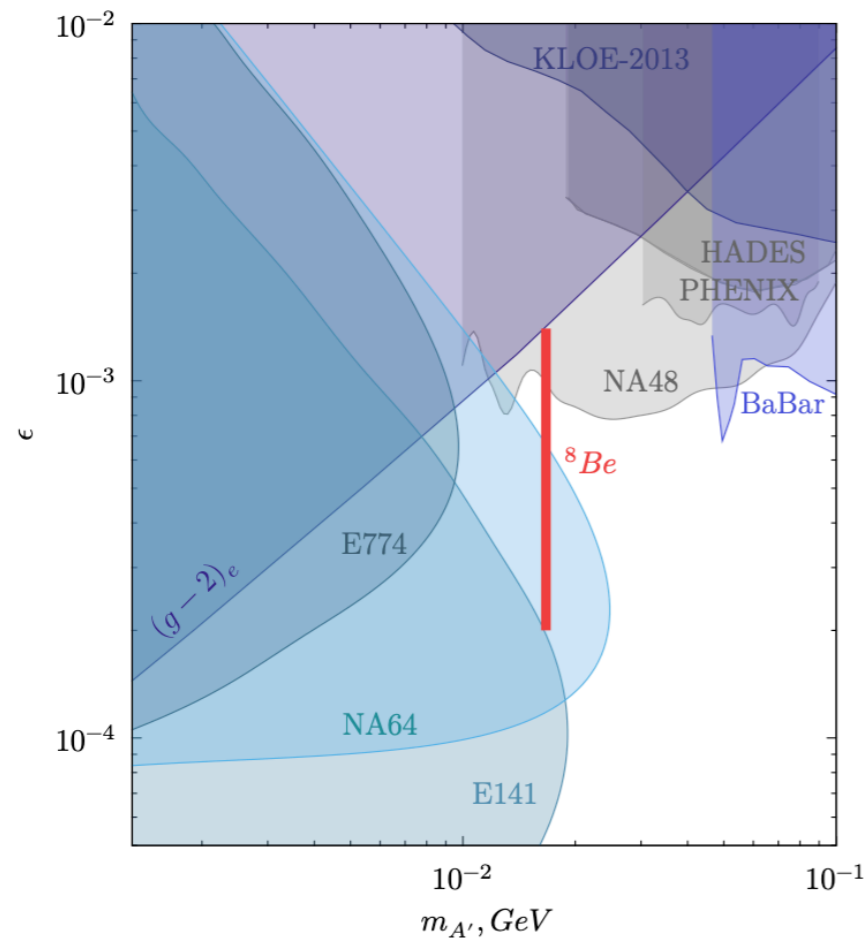
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vertex

Backup: DM experiments

Kim, Machado, Park, **SS**, JHEP 2007, 057 (2020)

Dark Matter Experiments	Target	Volume [t]		Depth [m]	E_{th} [keV]	Resolution			PID	Run Time	Refs.
	Material	Active	Fiducial			Position [cm]	Angular [°]	Energy [%]			
DarkSide -50	LAr DP-TPC	46.4 kg	36.9 kg	3,800 m.w.e.	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	–	$\lesssim 10$	–	2013-	[112]
DarkSide -20k	LAr DP-TPC	23	20	3,800 m.w.e.	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	–	$\lesssim 10$	–	goal: 2021–	[79]
XENON1T	LXe DP-TPC	2.0	1.3	3,600 m.w.e.	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	–	–	–	2016–2018	[113, 114]
XENONnT	LXe DP-TPC	5.9	~ 4	3,600 m.w.e.	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	–	–	–	goal: 2020–	[113]
DEAP -3600	SP LAr S1 only	3.26	2.2	2,000	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	< 10	–	$\sim 10 - 20$	–	2016-	[99–101]
DEAP -50T	SP LAr S1 only	150	50	2,000	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	15	–	–	–	–	[99]
LUX-ZEPLIN	LXe DP-TPC	7	5.6	1,500	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	–	2.5 MeV: 2	–	goal: 2020–	[115, 116]

Backup: constraints & comparisons



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