

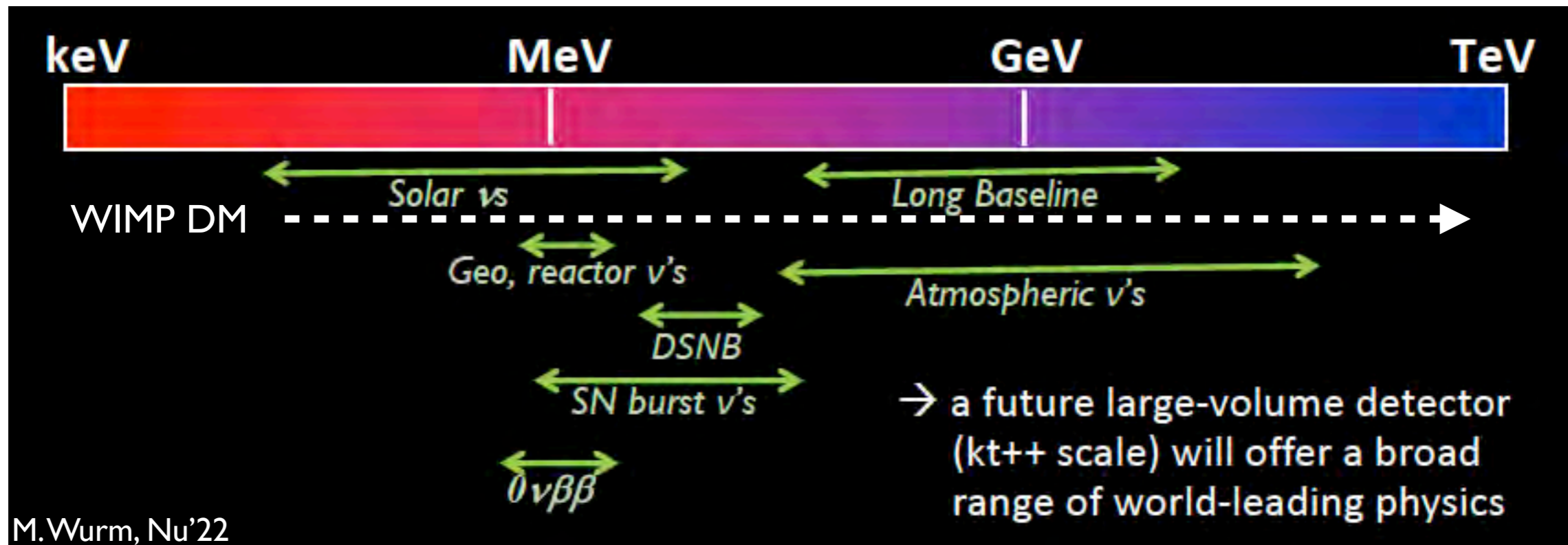
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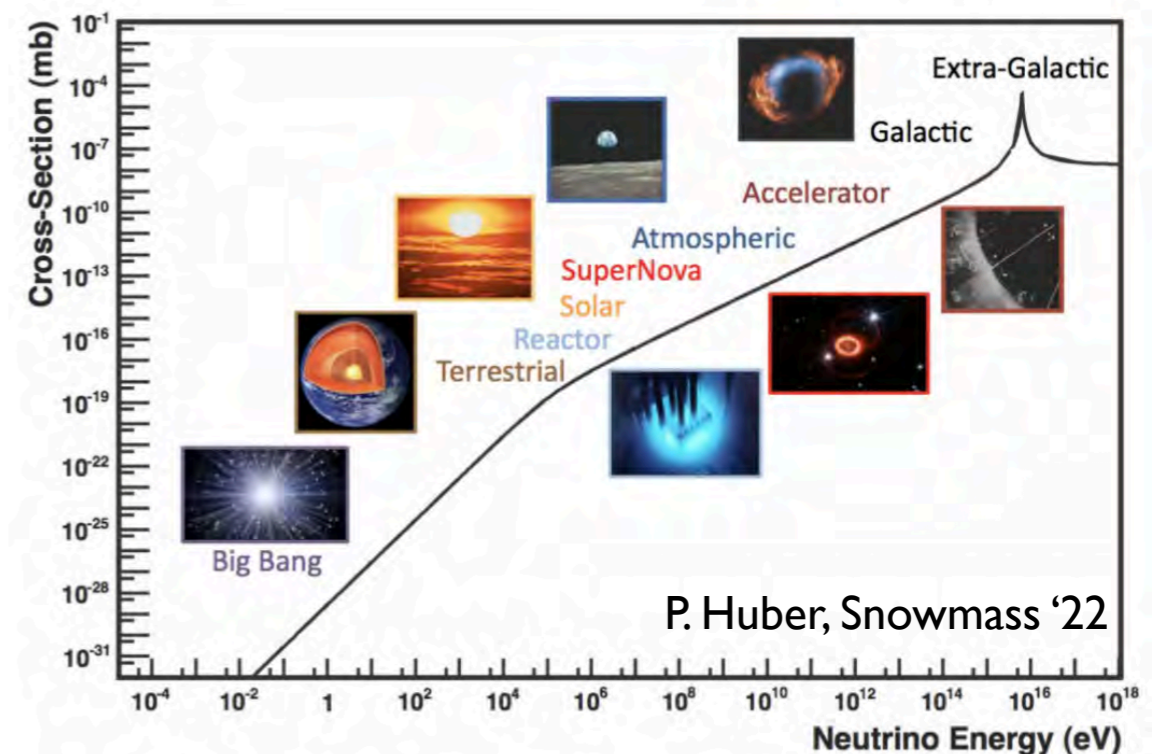
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# Broad physics program

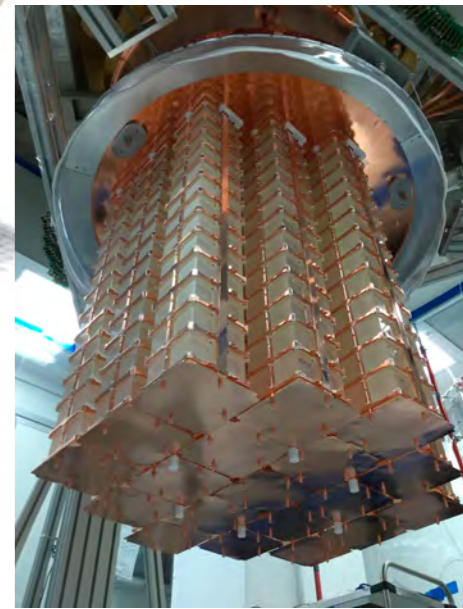
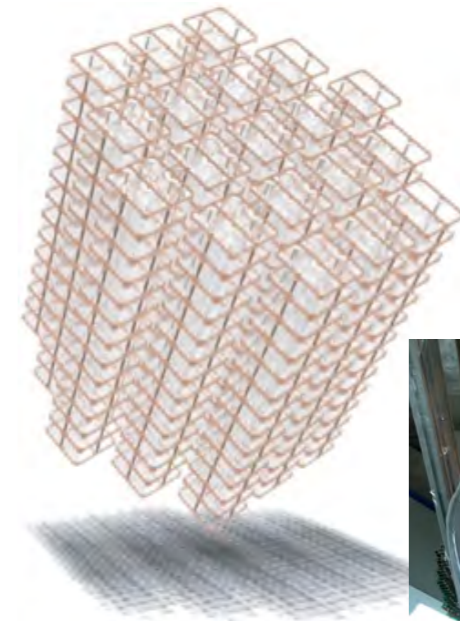
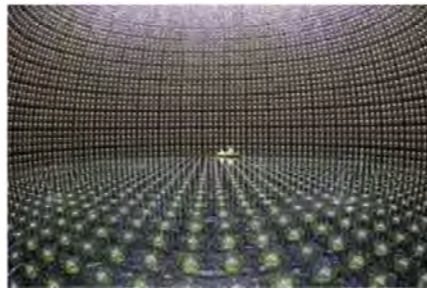
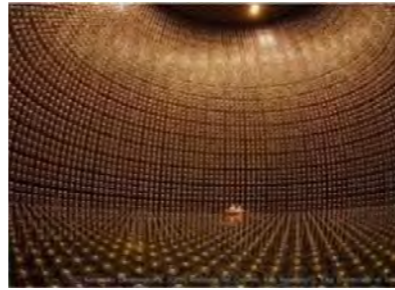
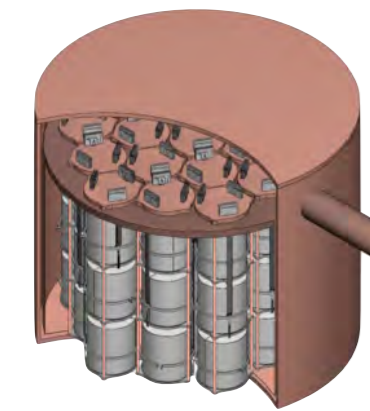


- Low energy threshold (but not as low as for nuclear recoils!)
- High detection efficiency
- Large exposure
- Directionality
- Broad detection range



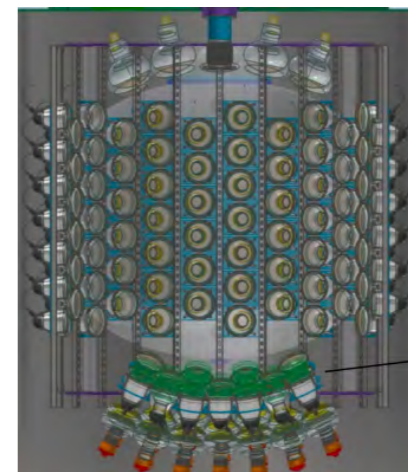
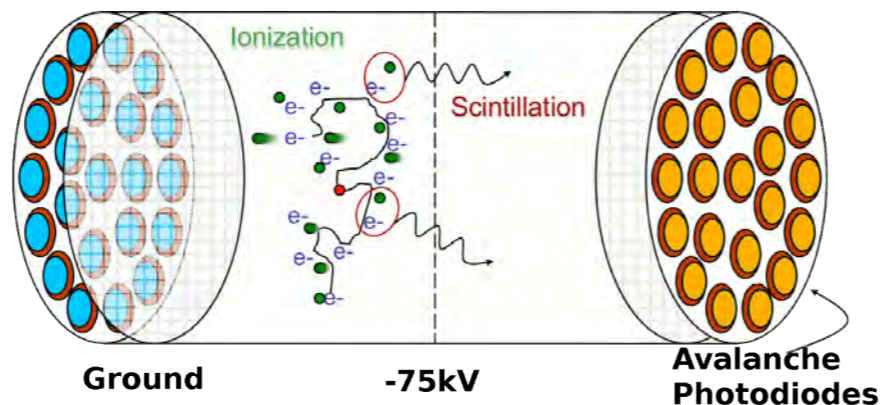
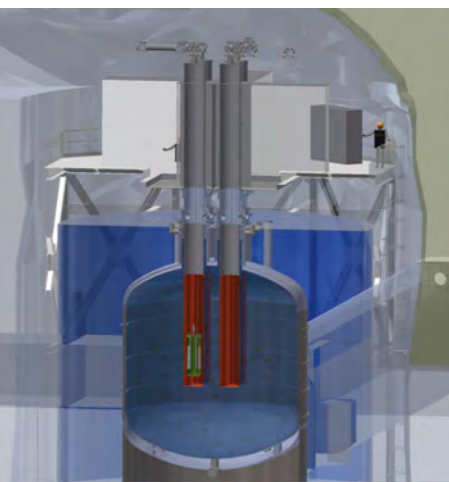


# Neutrino detection technology



- Ultra-pure Ge
- High resolution bolometry
- Noble liquid / gas TPCs: LAr, LXr, GXe (S+I)
- Water Cherenkov
- Organic liquid scintillator / “Hybrid” detection (S+Ch)

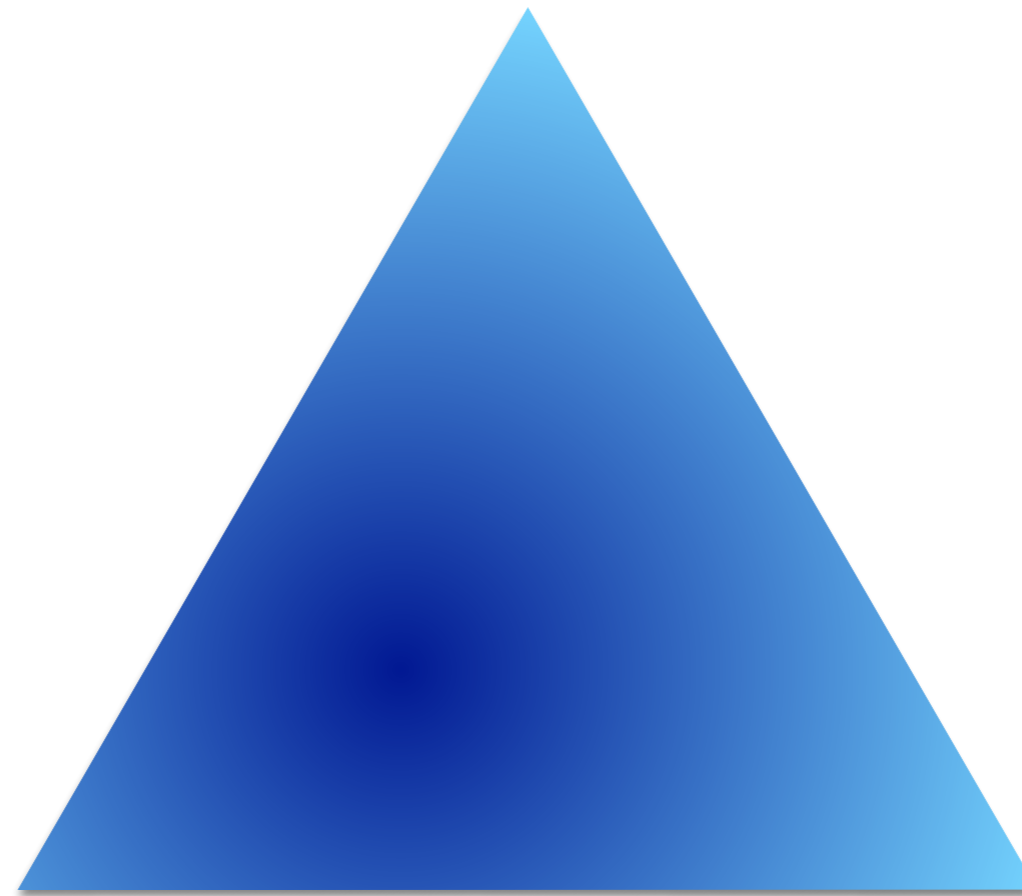
\* *Sample of approaches relevant for this topic*



# Detector technology

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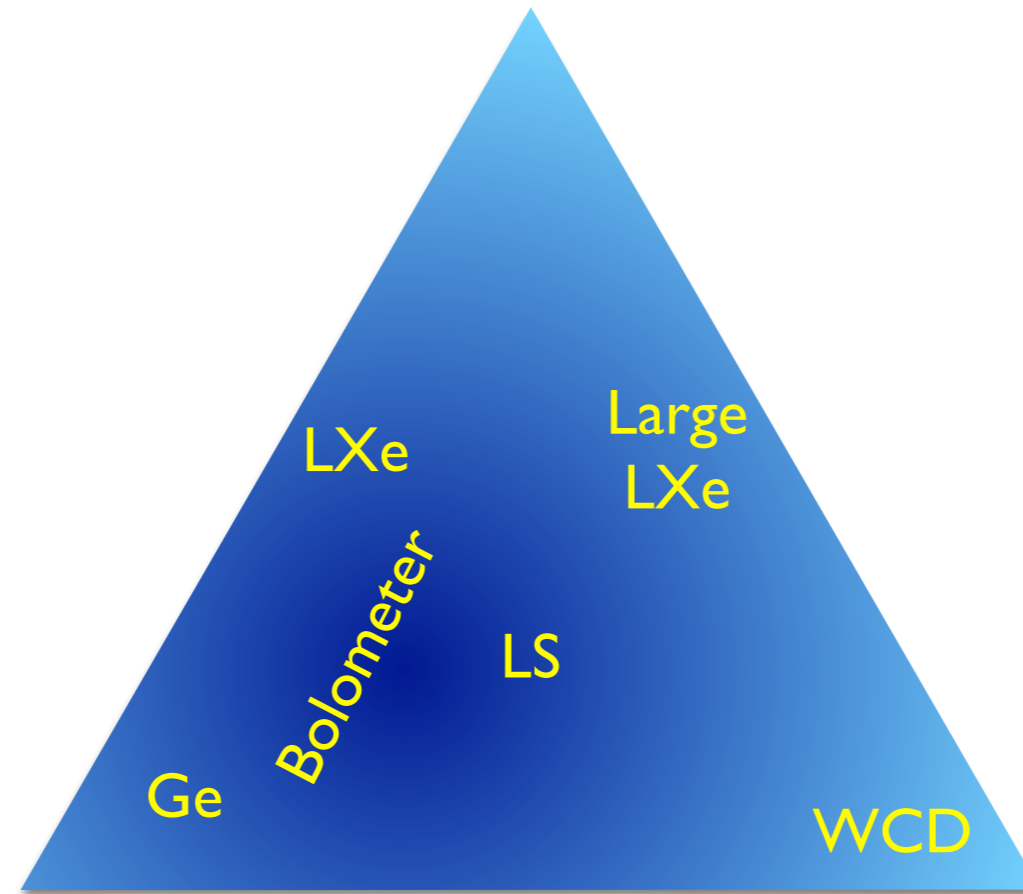
Threshold  
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Exposure

# Detector technology

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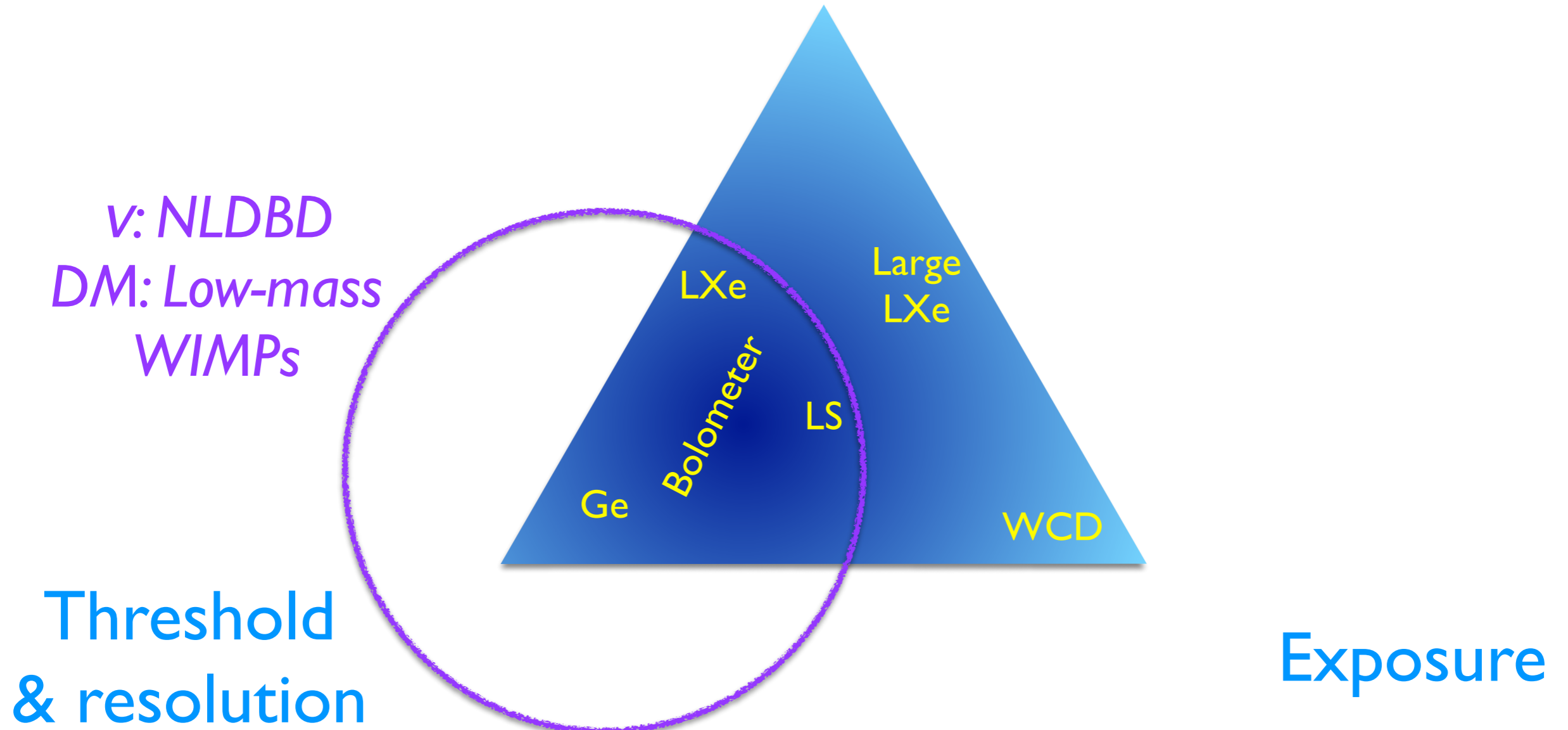
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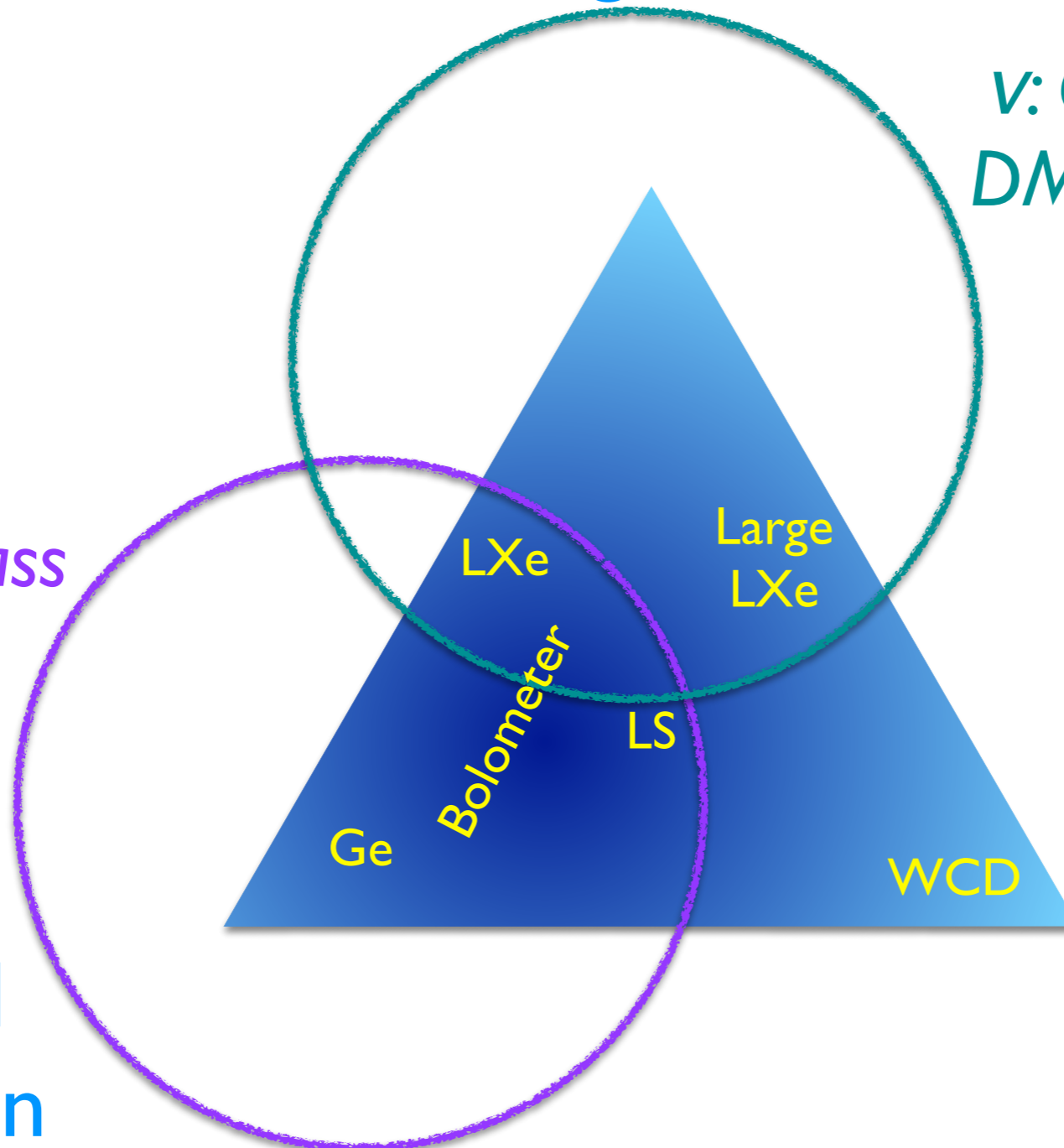


# Detector technology

Backgrounds

$\nu$ : Coherent scattering,  
DM: "Standard" WIMPs

$\nu$ : NLDBD  
DM: Low-mass  
WIMPs

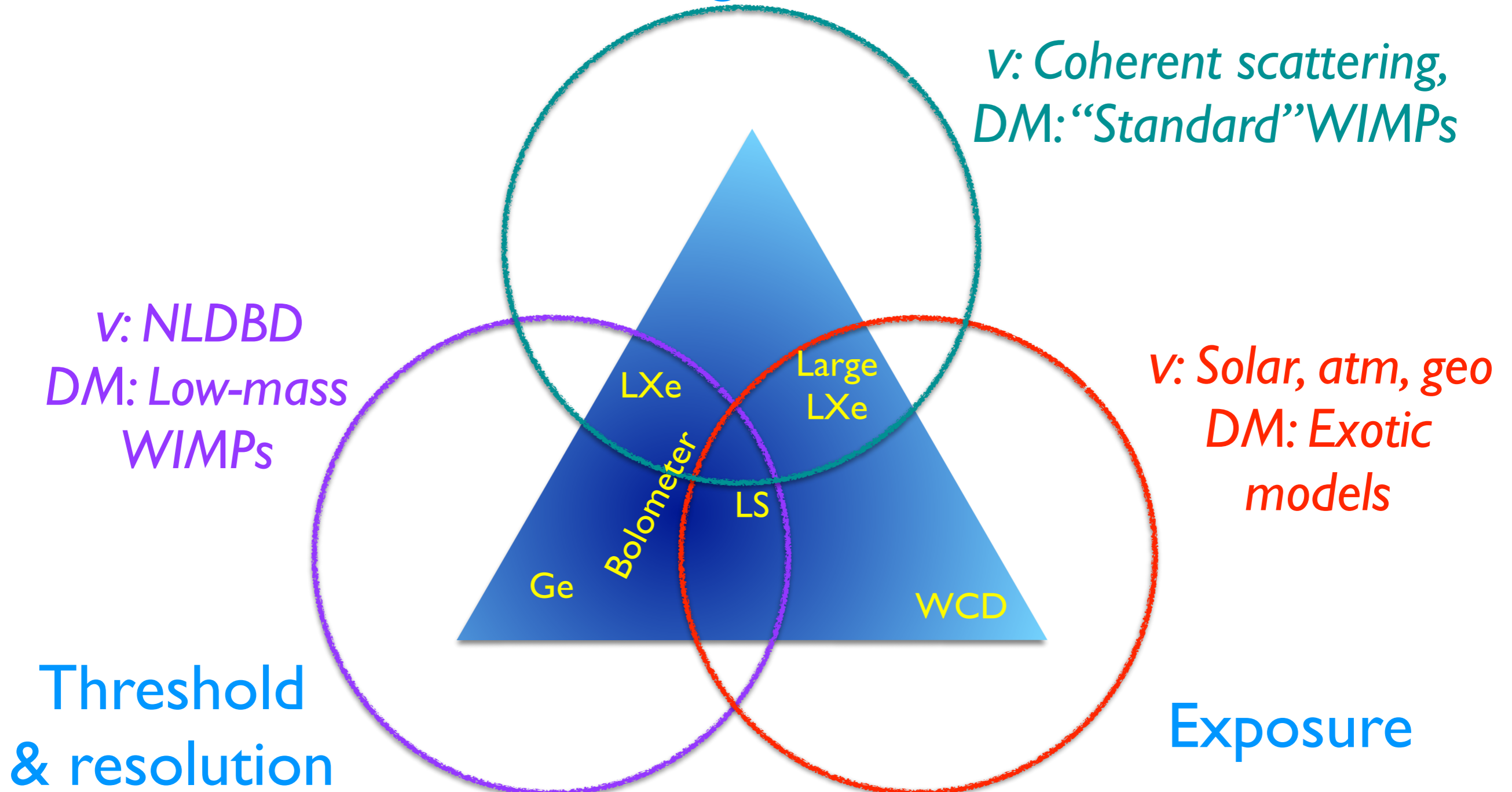


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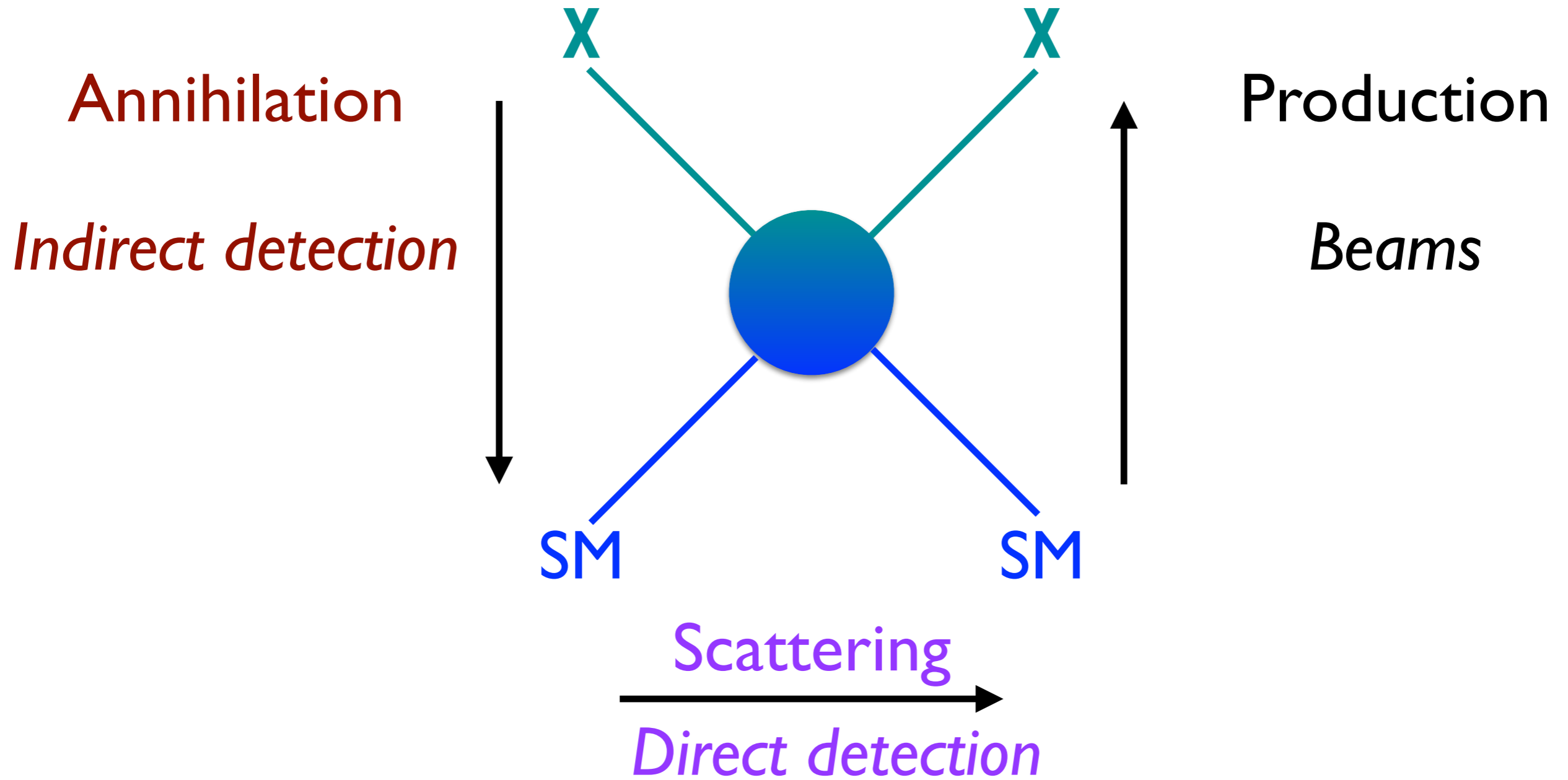
# Detector technology

## Backgrounds





# Detection processes



# Detection processes

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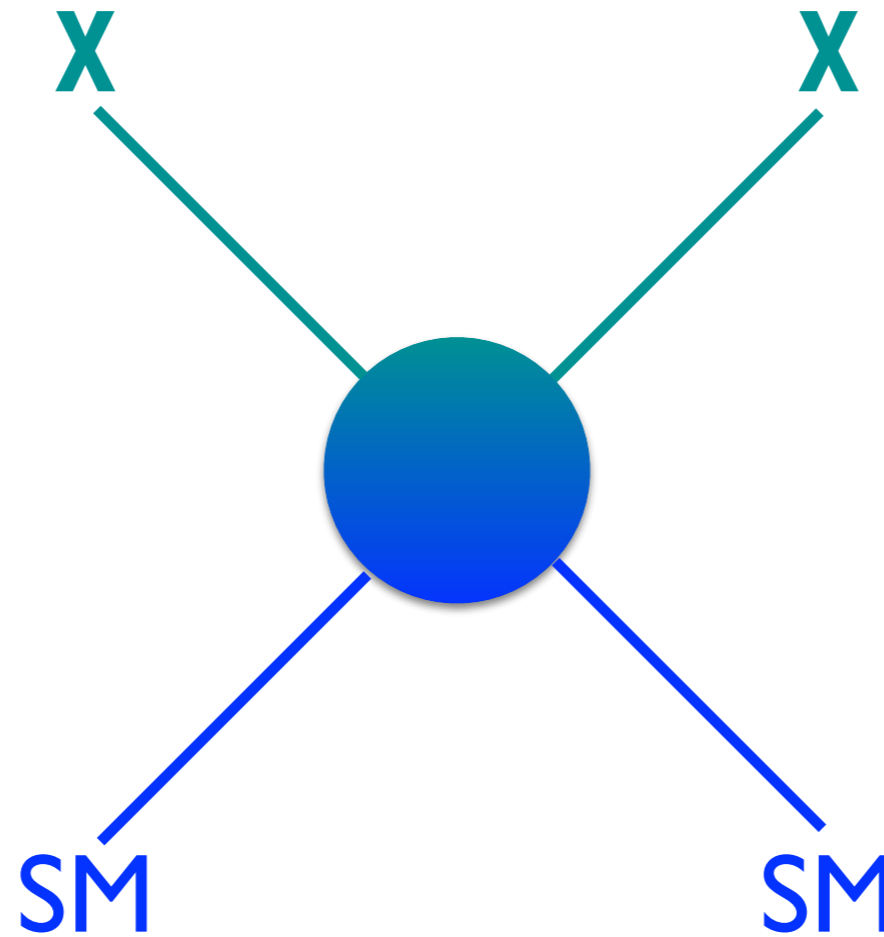
*Indirect detection*

Directionality

Exposure

Low / well-understood  
background

=> large WCD / LS  
detectors



**Production**

*Beams*

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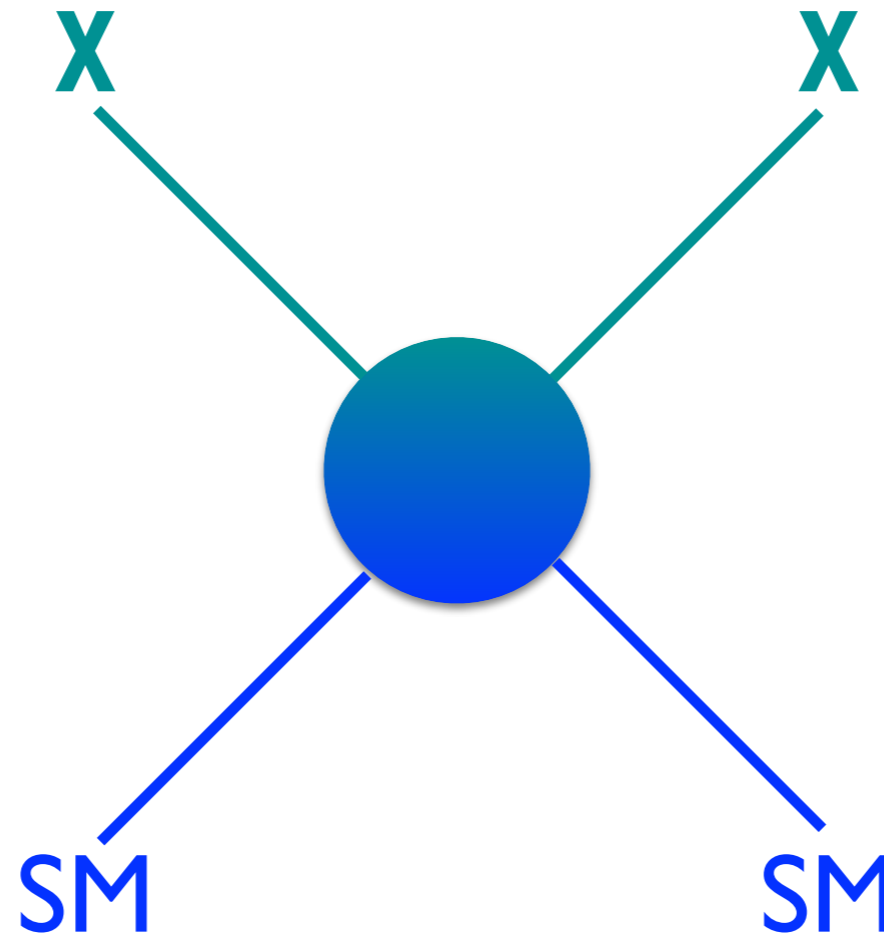
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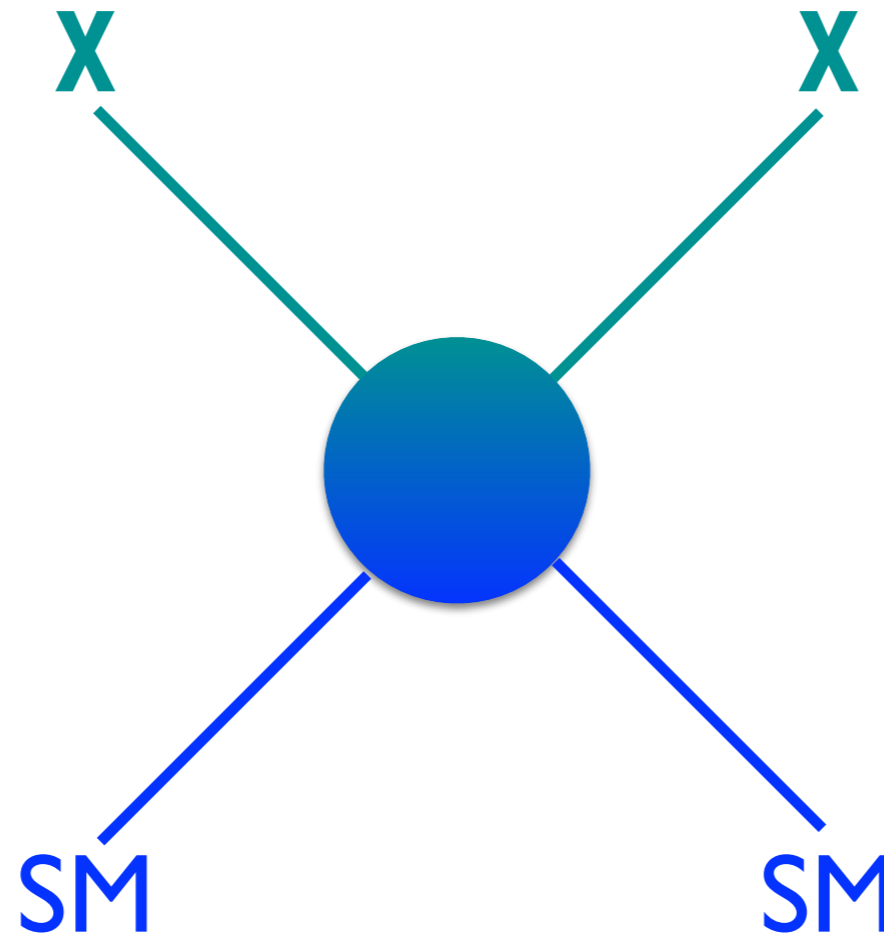
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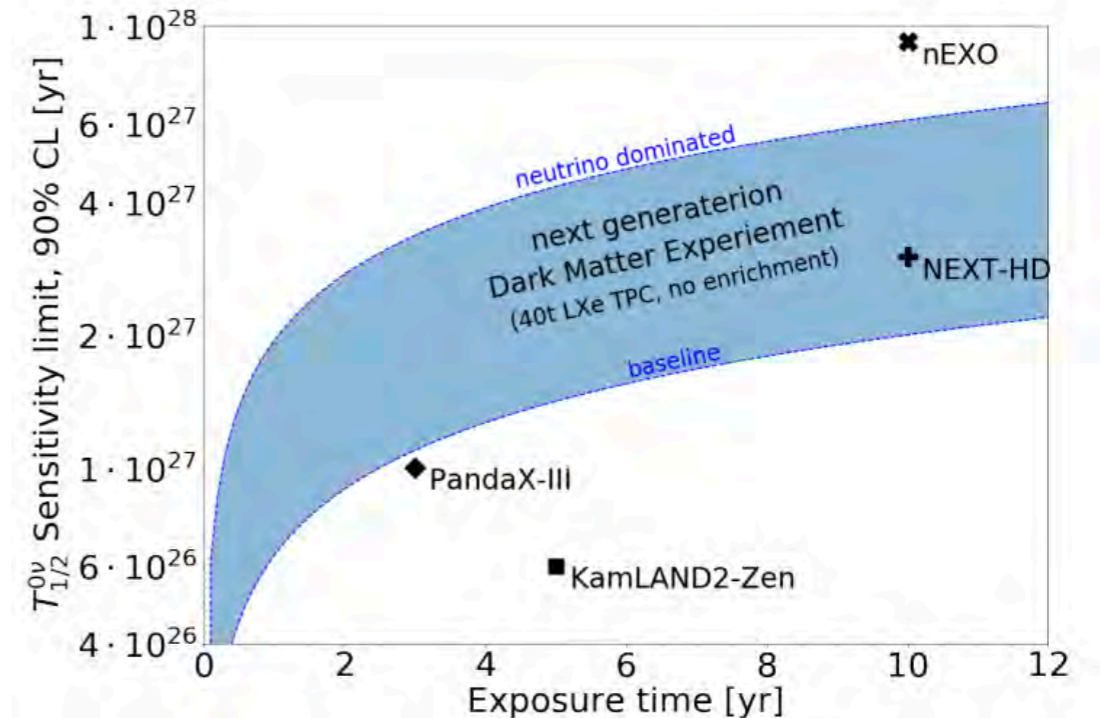
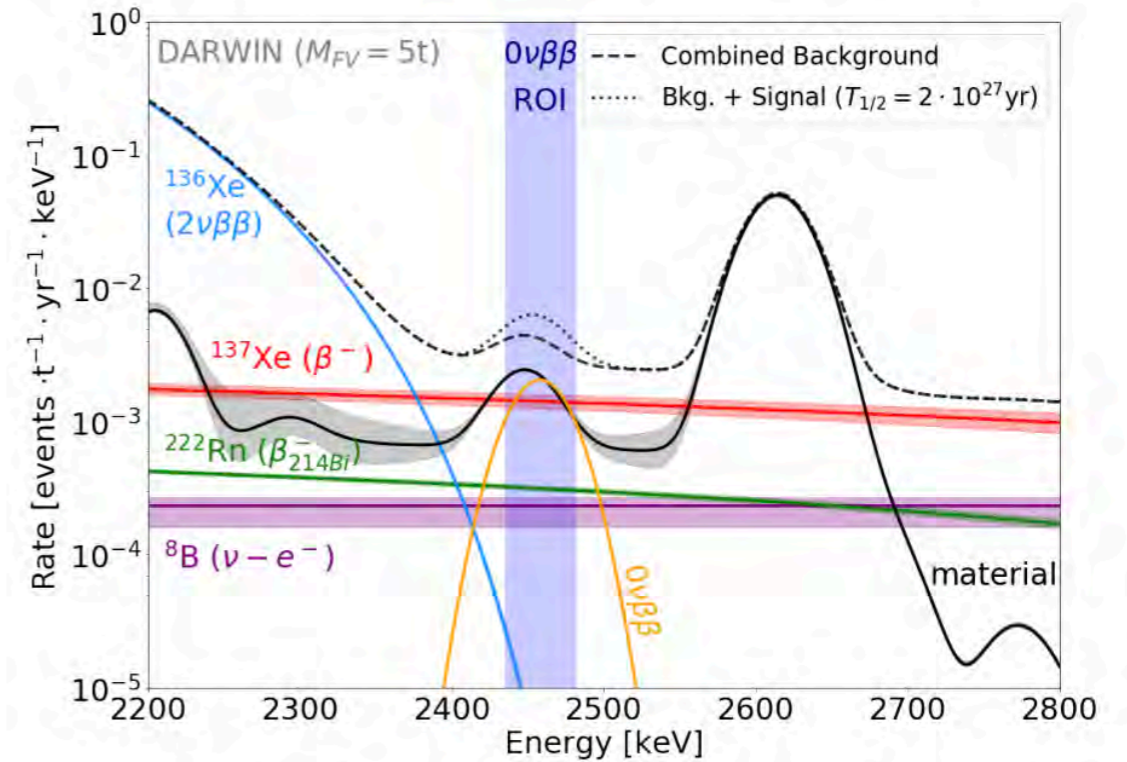
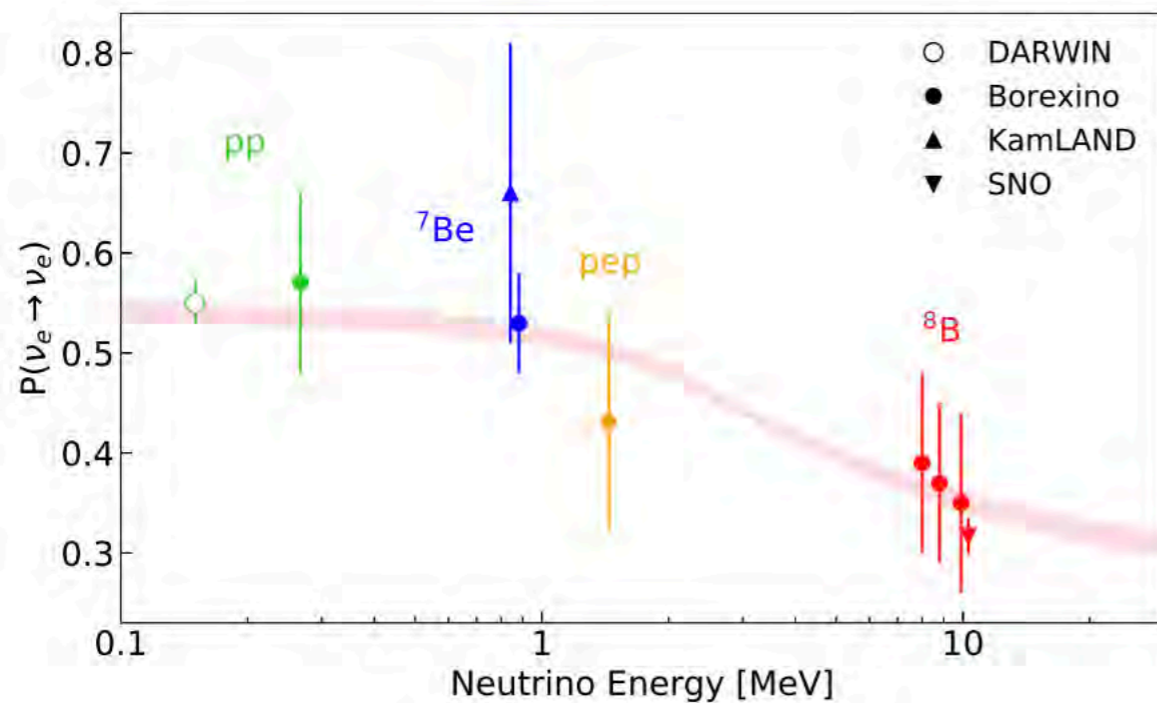
Missing energy  
Beam-correlated  
delayed events

*Threshold, (exposure, low bkg)*

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# Complement: $\nu$ in DM detectors

- DARWIN / next-gen LXe detector
- 40-ton LXe TPC
- Low threshold, low background
- Unique observatory for rare events and precision measurements



<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2203.02309.pdf>

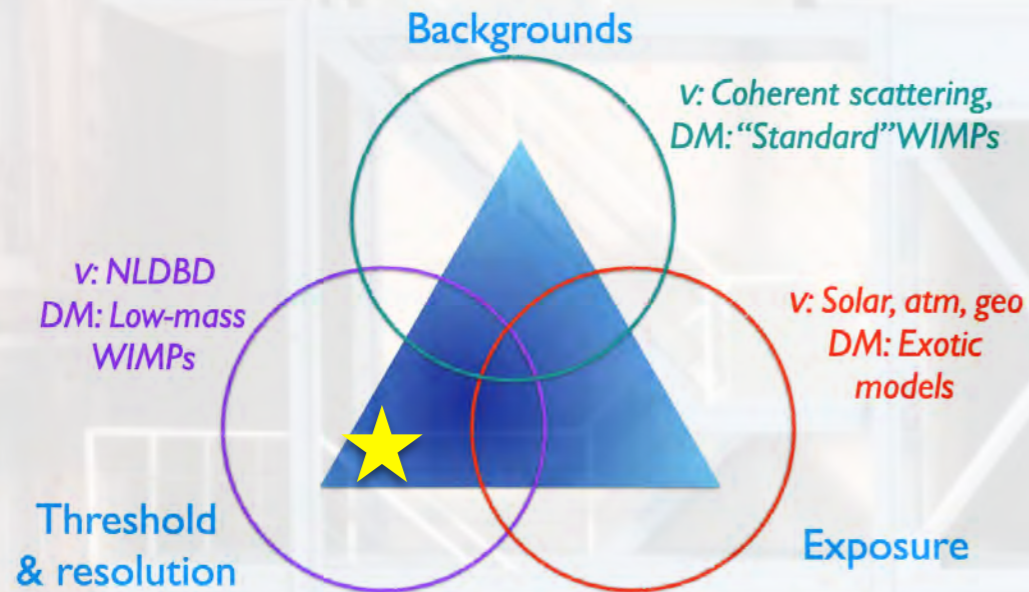


# (Subset of) DM Models

- “Standard” WIMP hypothesis - dominated by DD DM experiments
- Boosted DM: upscattered by CRe, DSNB- $\nu$ , blazars...
- Axions, produced in dense, massive regions e.g. solar axions
- Indirect searches e.g.  $\nu$  produced from DM annihilation
- Plus many other interesting ideas
  
- Neutrino experiments offer a niche for certain models:
  - Large exposure
  - Optimized performance in somewhat higher energy regime
  - Ultra-low background & precision background model
  - Directional sensitivity



# Ge detectors



- HPGe enriched to 87%  $^{76}\text{Ge}$
- LNGS (INFN), Italy
- $\sim 3\text{keV}$  energy resolution
- Ultra-low radiogenic bkg
- High exposure

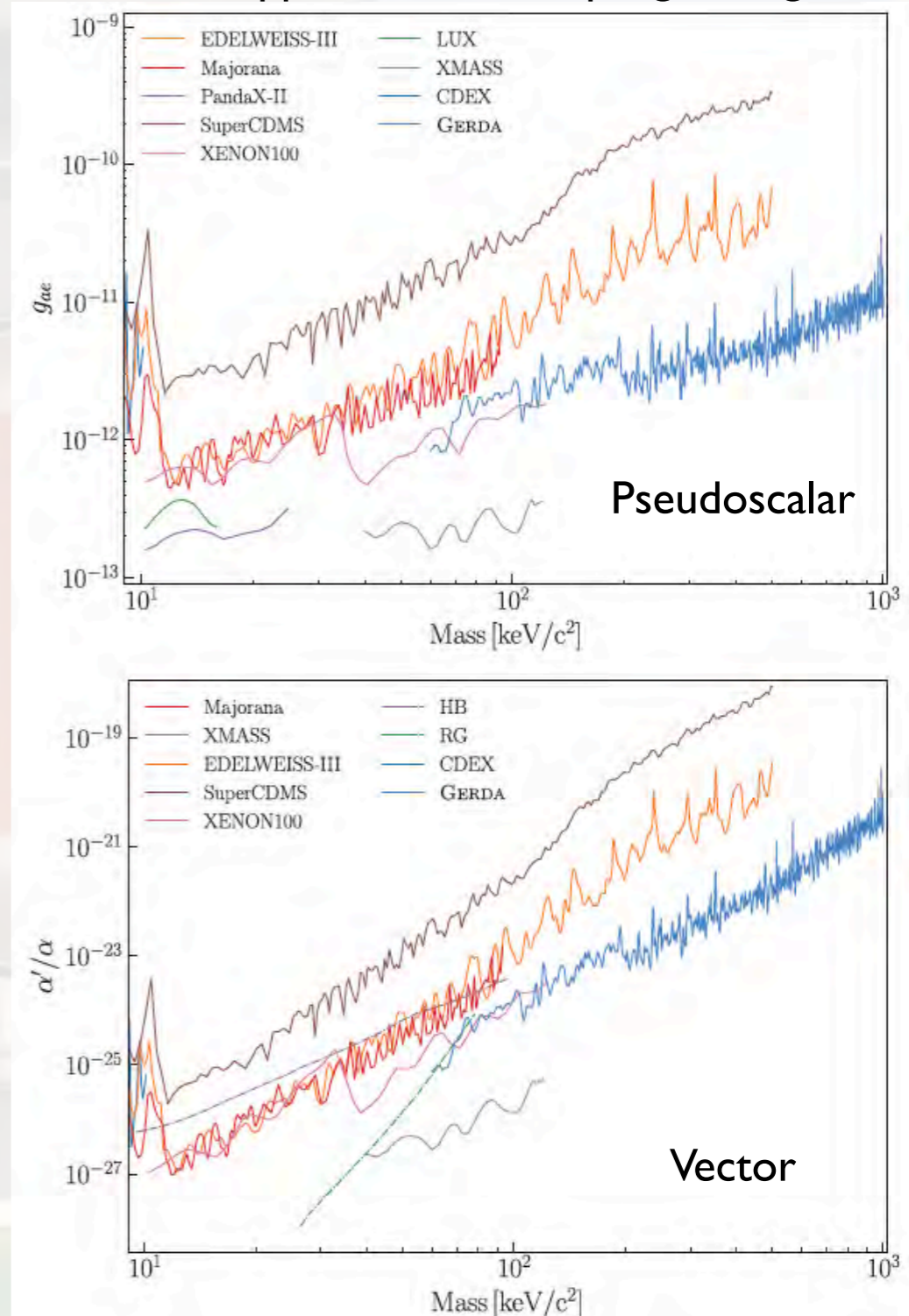




# SuperWIMPs at GERDA

- Bosonic super weakly interacting massive particles
- keV-scale, ultra weak coupling to SM
- ALP / dark photon absorption
- Energy transfer to  $e^- \Rightarrow$  full absn peak in spectrum
- Search range: 60keV - 1MeV
- Reject coincidence interactions; instrumental effects

90% CI upper limit on coupling strength

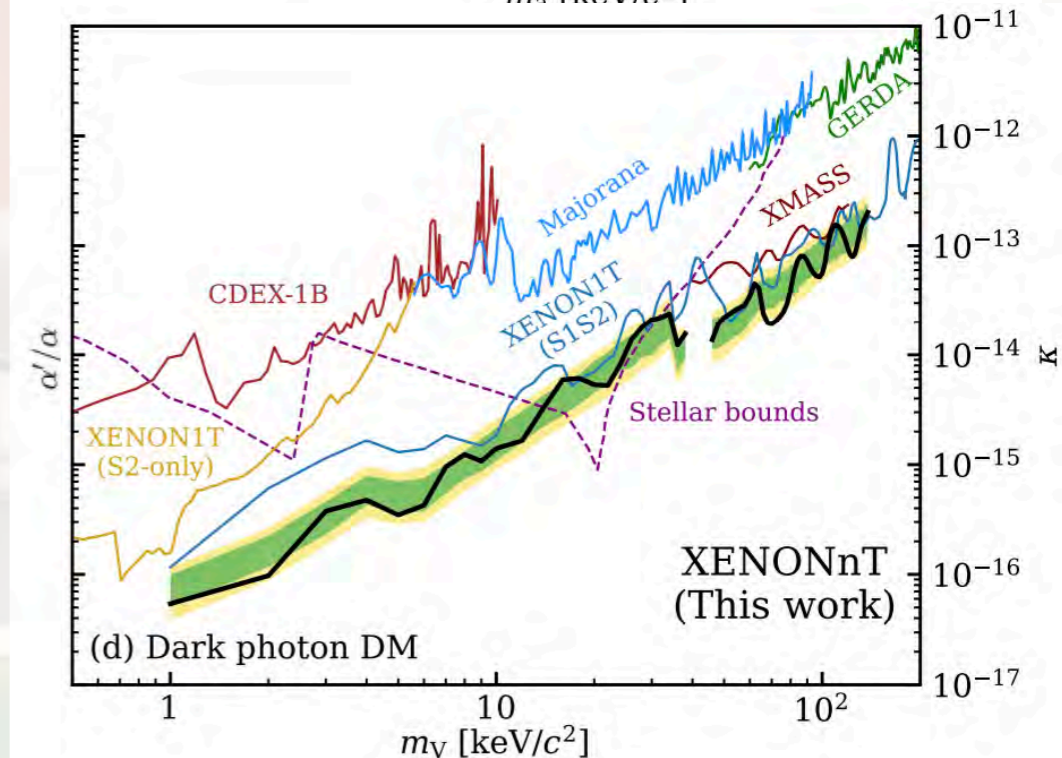
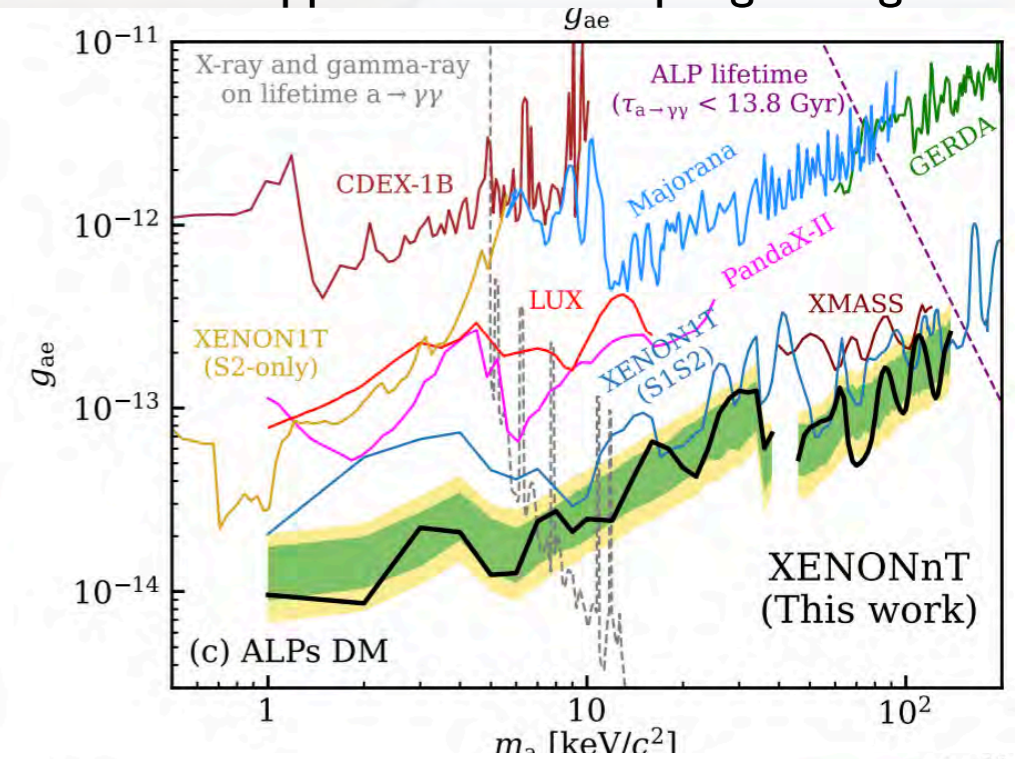




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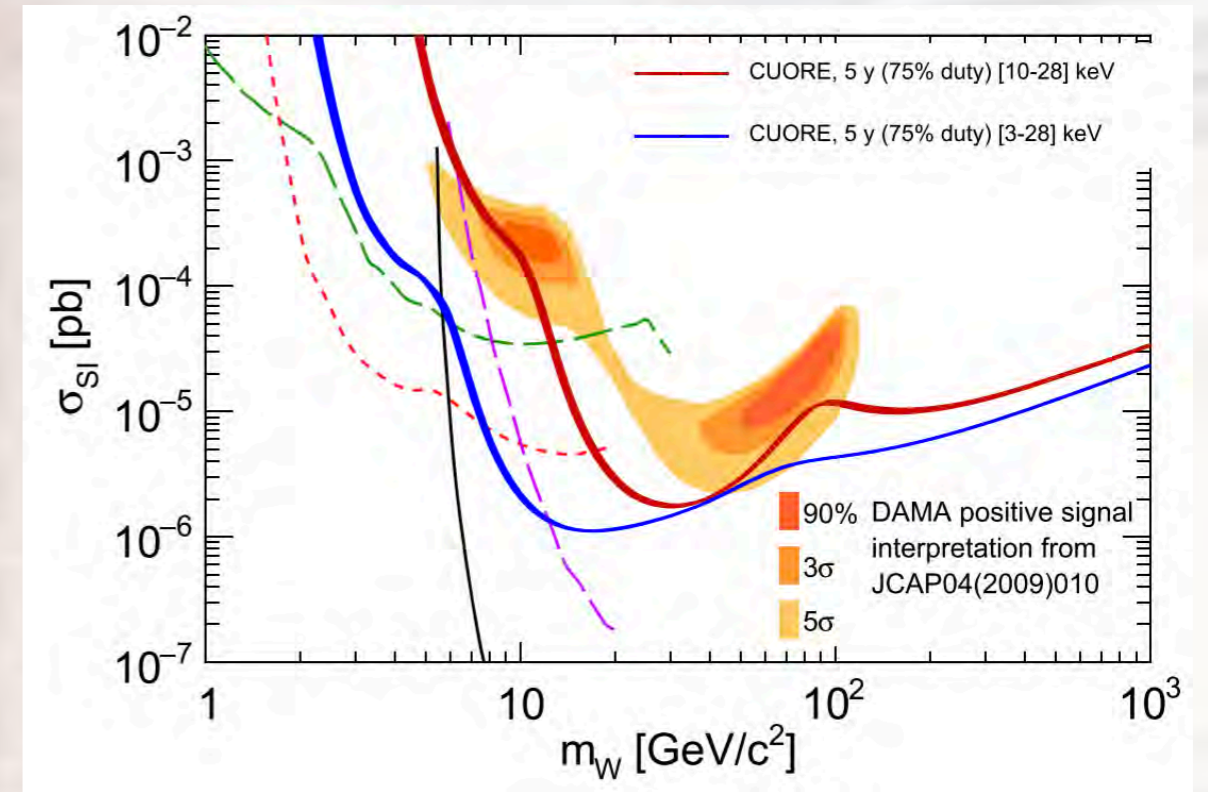
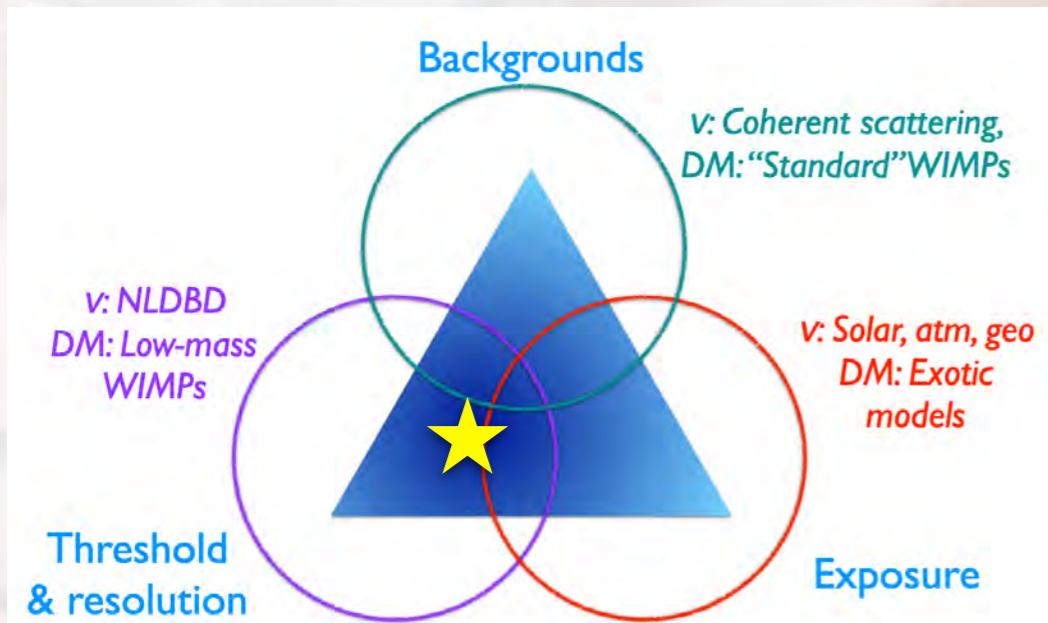
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- **New results from Xe-nT**

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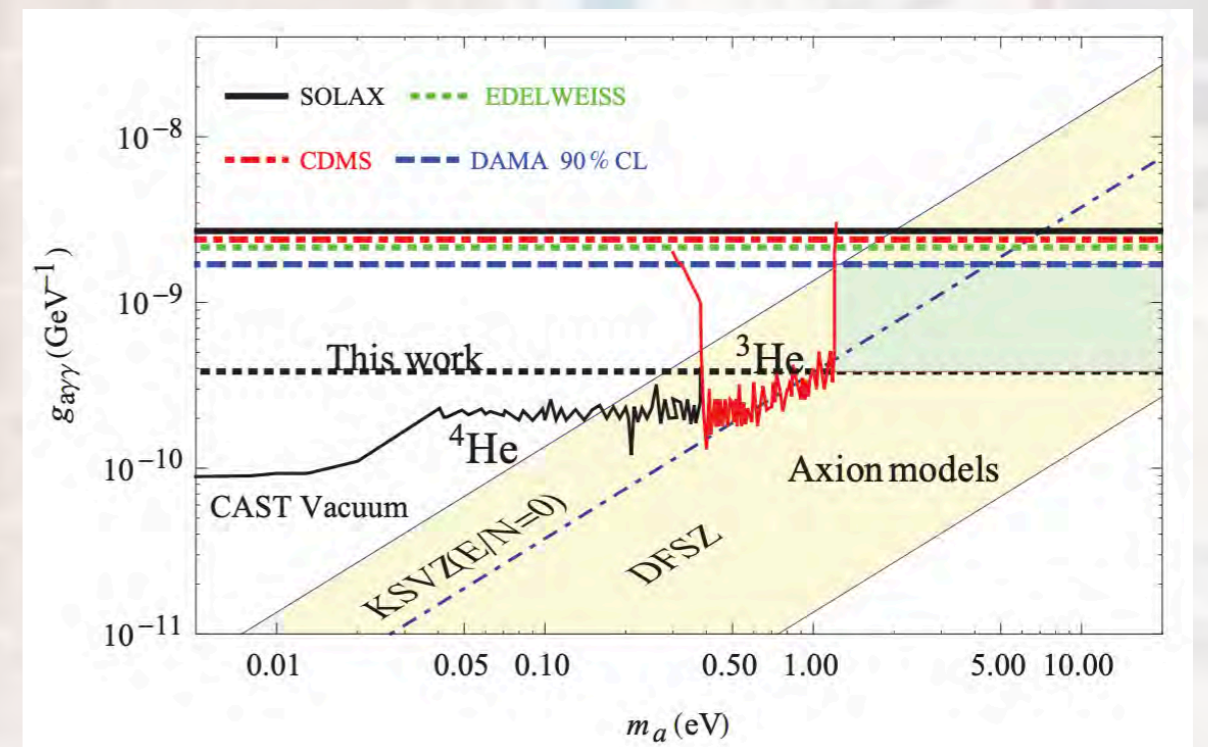




# Bolometers



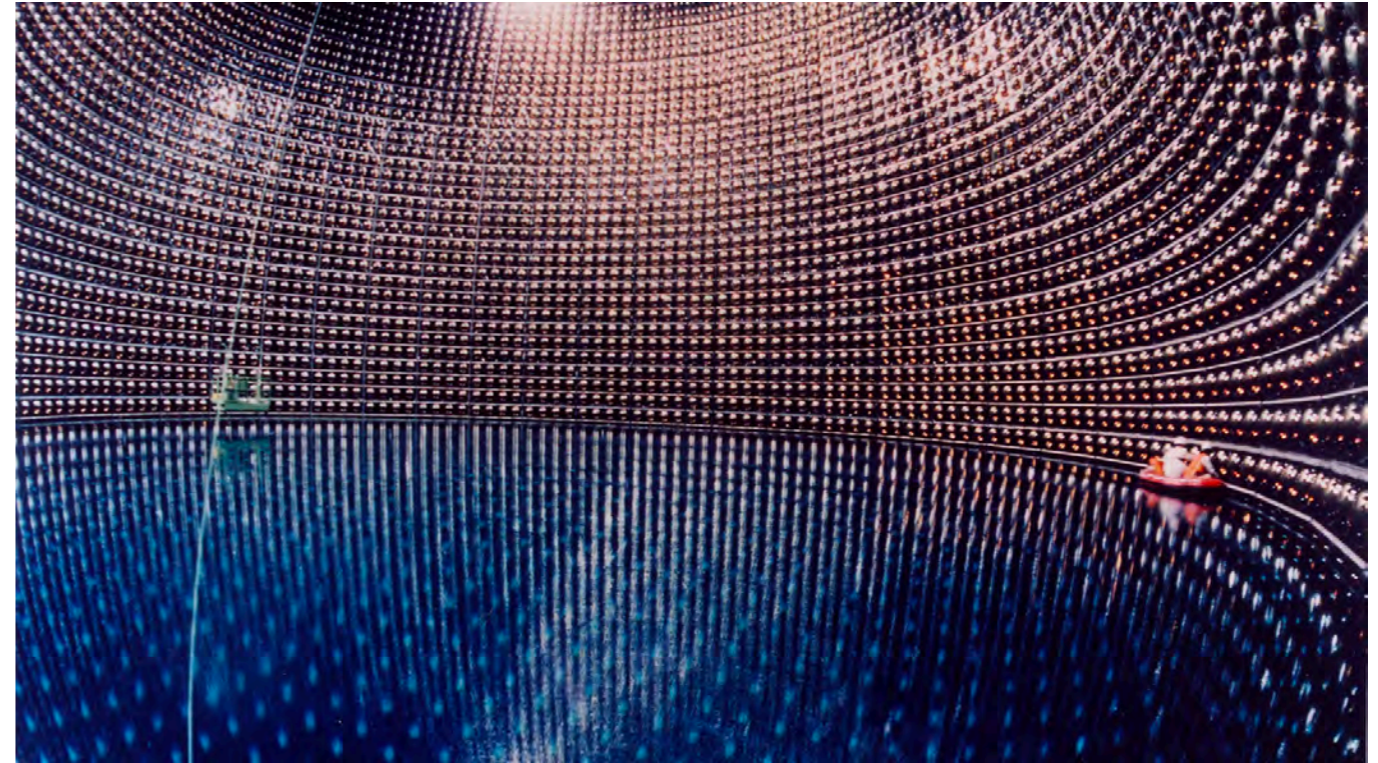
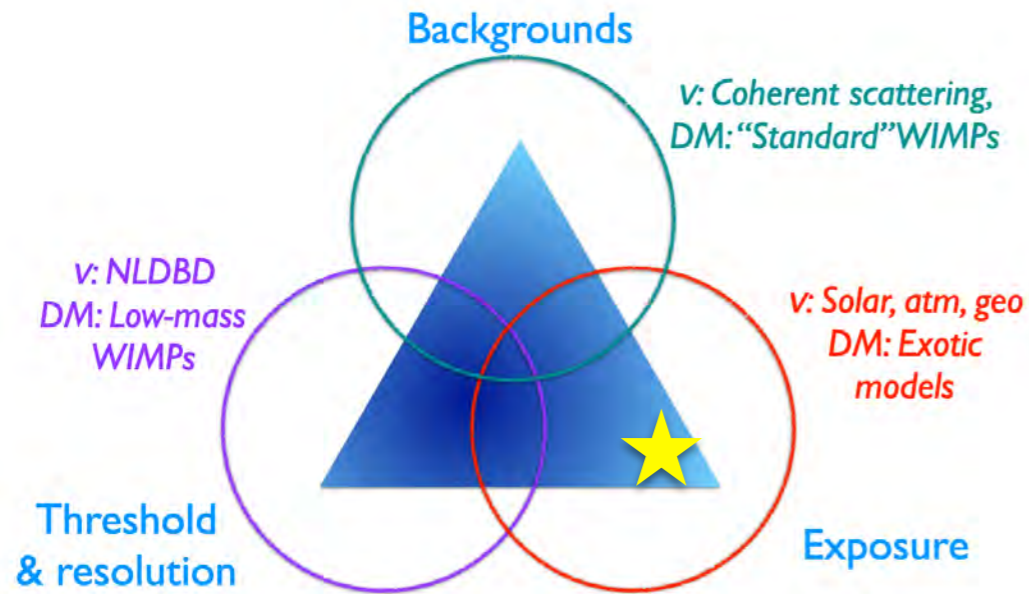
- CUORE: 742 kg TeO<sub>2</sub>
- LNGS (INFN), Italy
- ~5keV energy resolution (2.5MeV)
- Ultra-low radiogenic bkg
- Largest exposure of solid state DBD
- Requires 10keV threshold



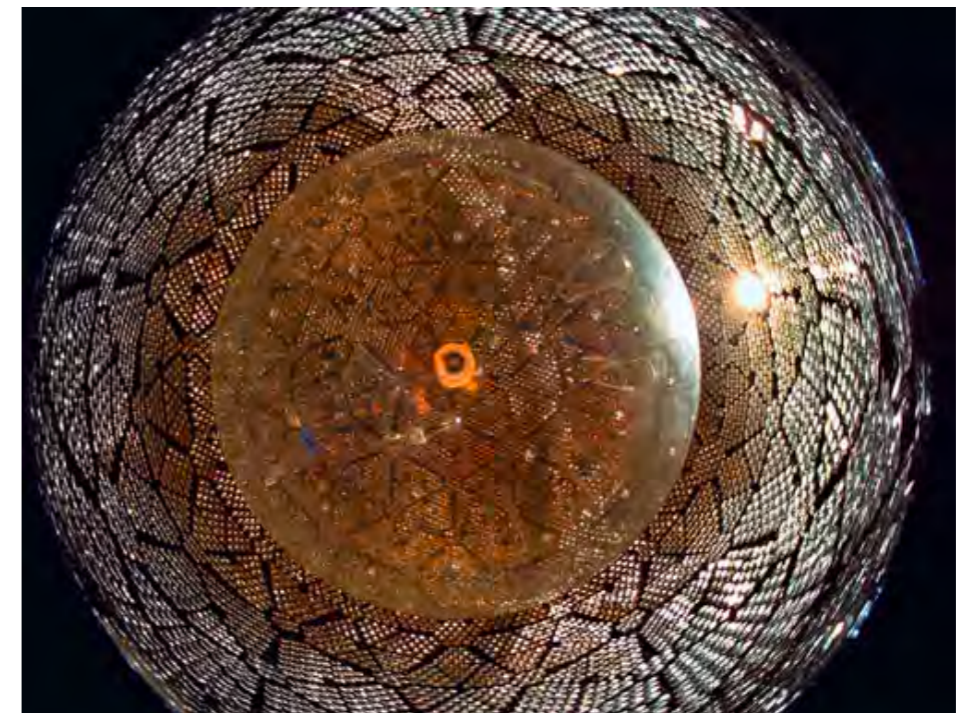
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# WCD detectors



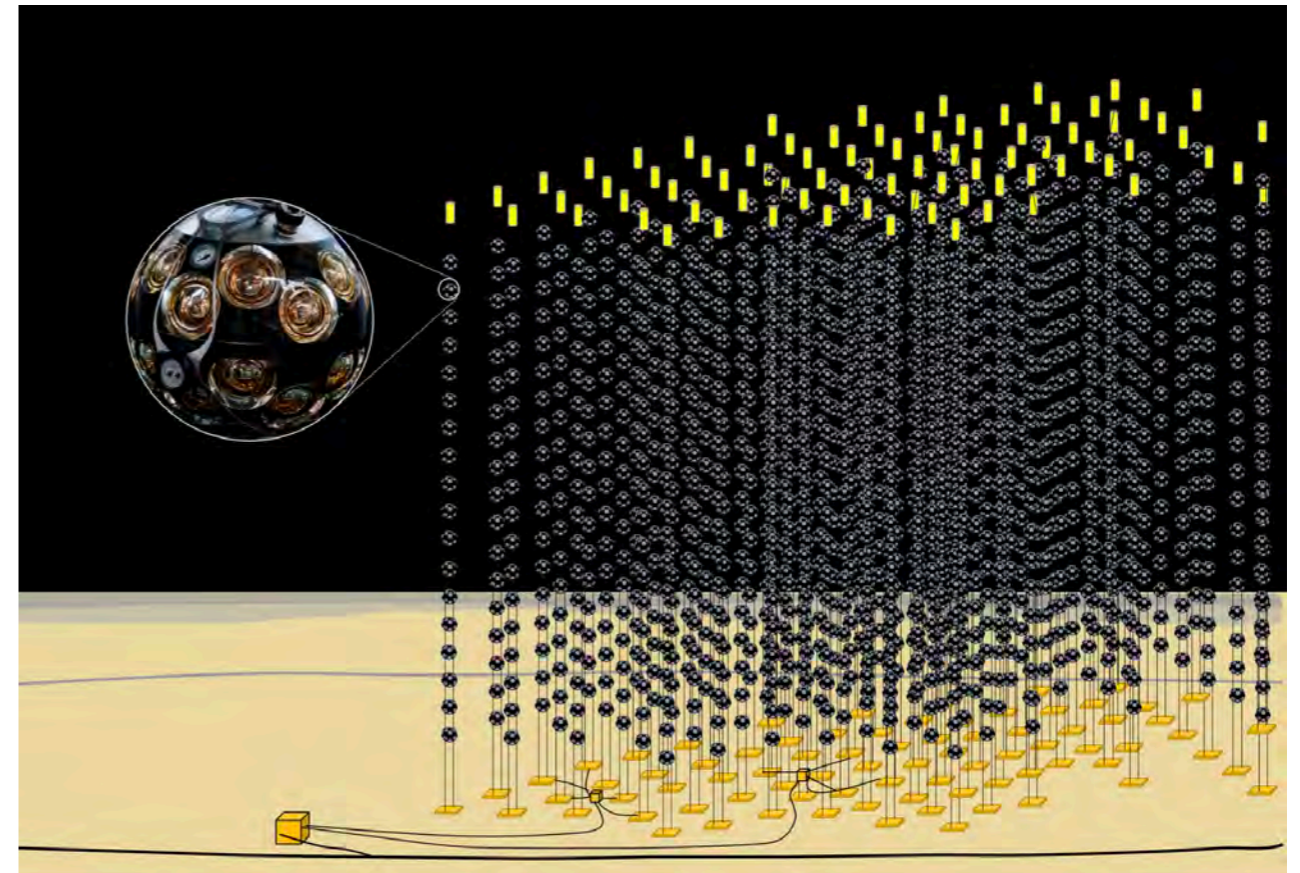
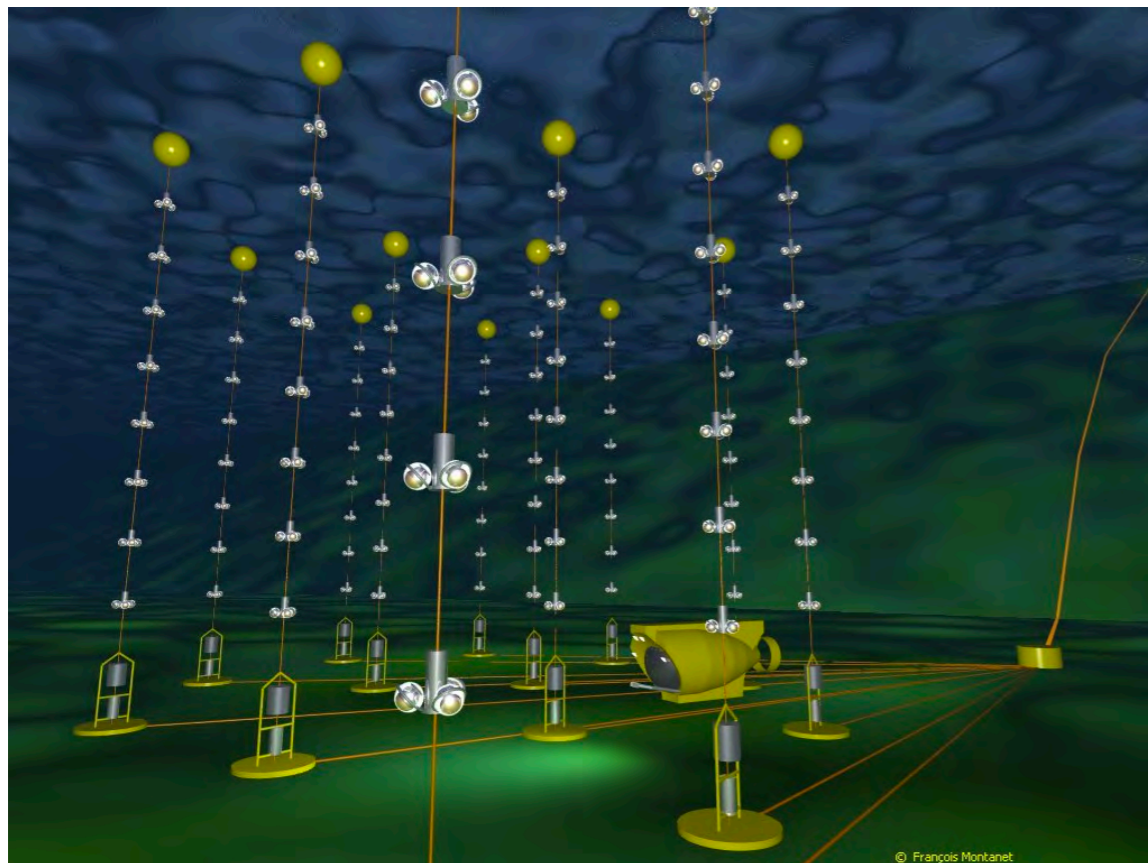
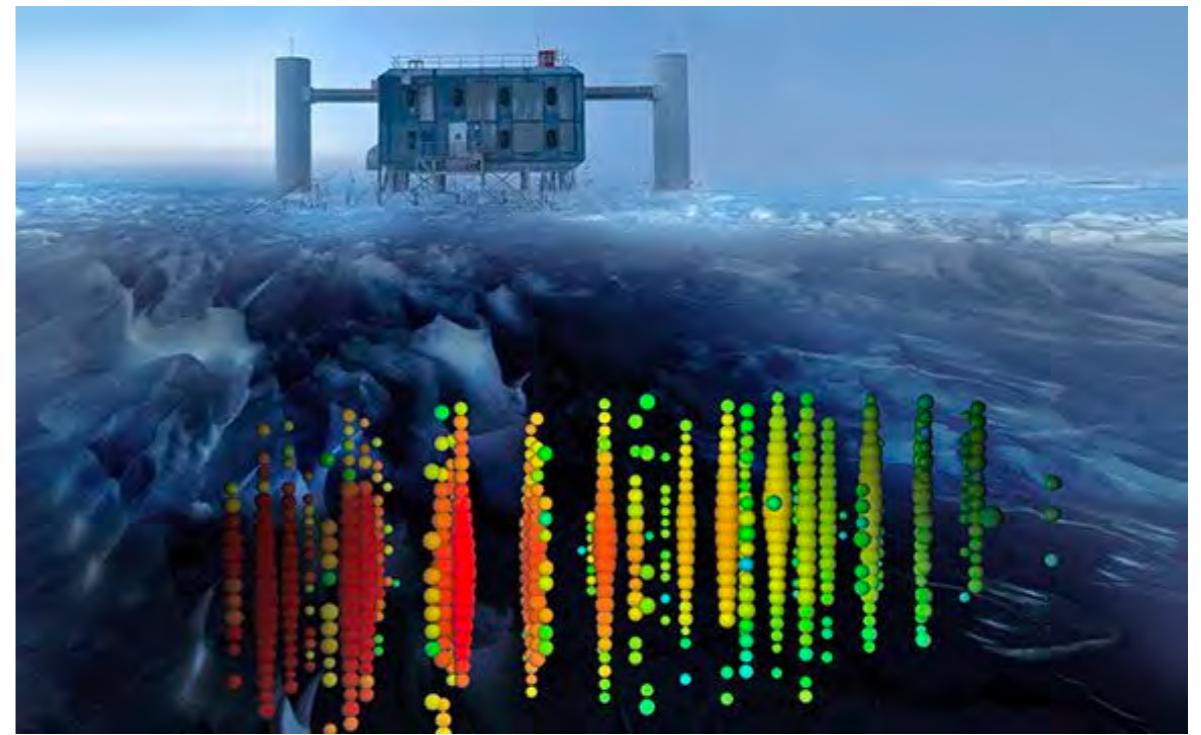
- Very large exposure (161.9 kt-yr from SK-iv alone)
- Cherenkov ring imaging: particle ID
- n tagging: remove atmospheric  $\nu$  bkg
- Directional sensitivity





# Neutrino telescopes

- IceCube: cubic-km, 2.5km depth, 5k PMTs + dense “DeepCore” area
- ANTARES: 2.5km, Med. Sea, 900 PMTs
- KM3Net: M Ton scale, 10ks PMTs
- See tomorrow’s talk

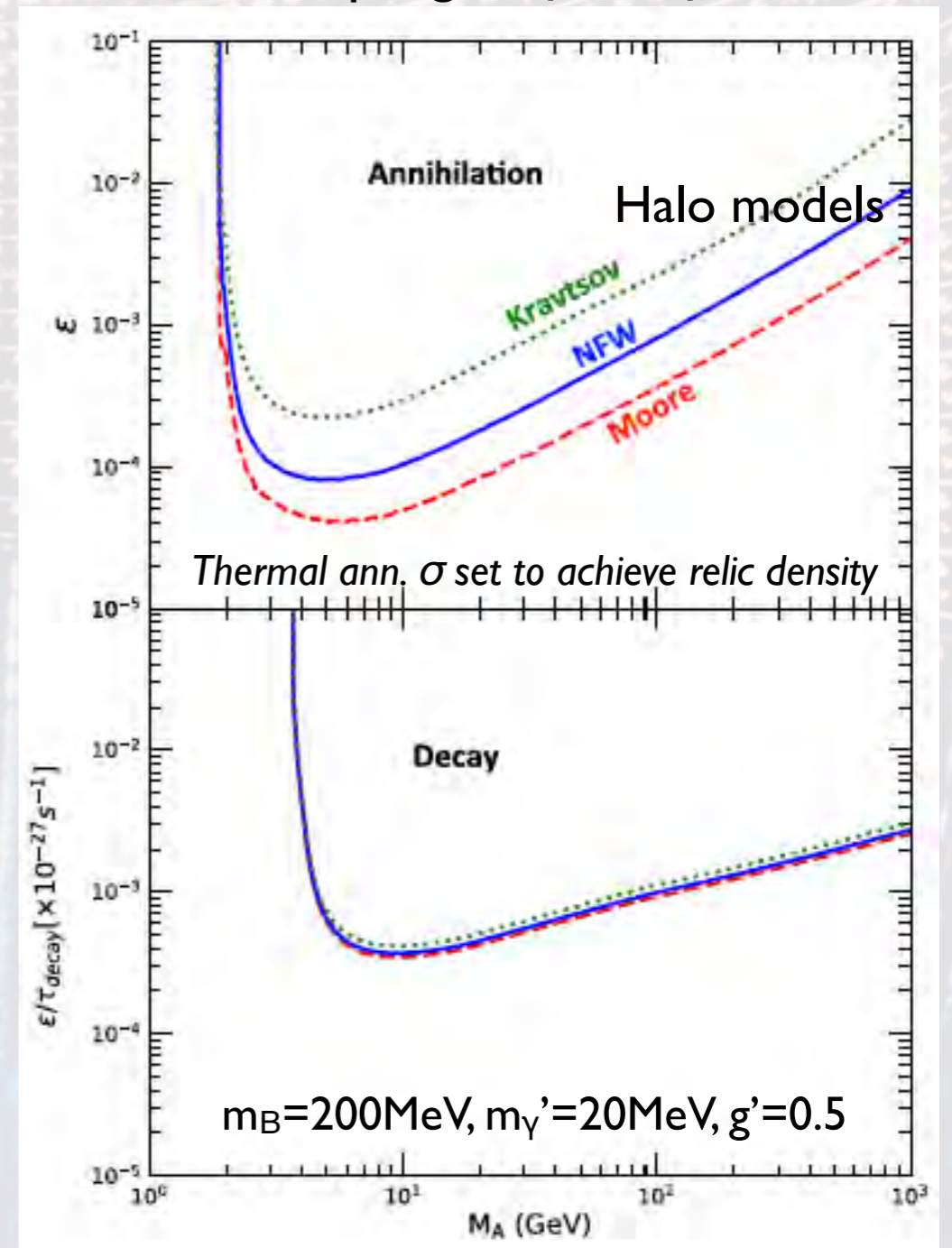




# Direct search: BDM at SK

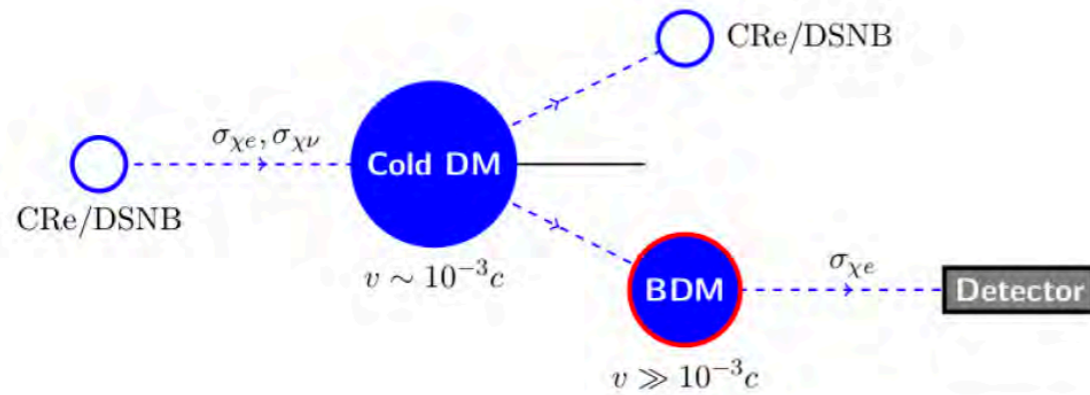
- Model-independent search for BDM from Sun / Galactic centre
- Consider scattered e- 100MeV - 1TeV
- Candidates: single high-E electron, no signs of nuclear interaction (decay e-, n)
- Look for directions consistent with Sun / Galactic Centre
- Use off-angular regions & MC to define atmospheric  $\nu$  bkg
- Consistent with current limits: only BDM couples to SM; or SD  $\sigma_{\chi N}$

Model interpretation — cold  $\Psi_A$ ,  
 BDM  $\Psi_B$  couples to SM via  $\gamma'$   
 $\epsilon$ : coupling of  $\gamma'$ -e /  $\gamma$ -e

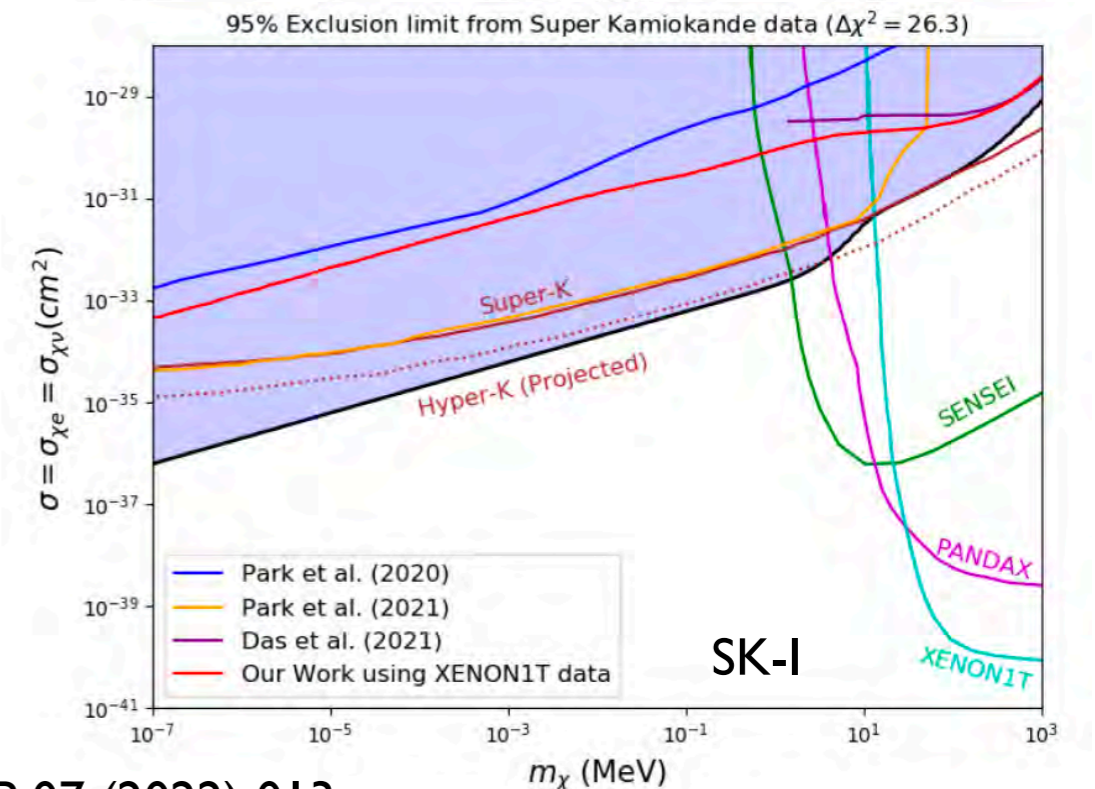
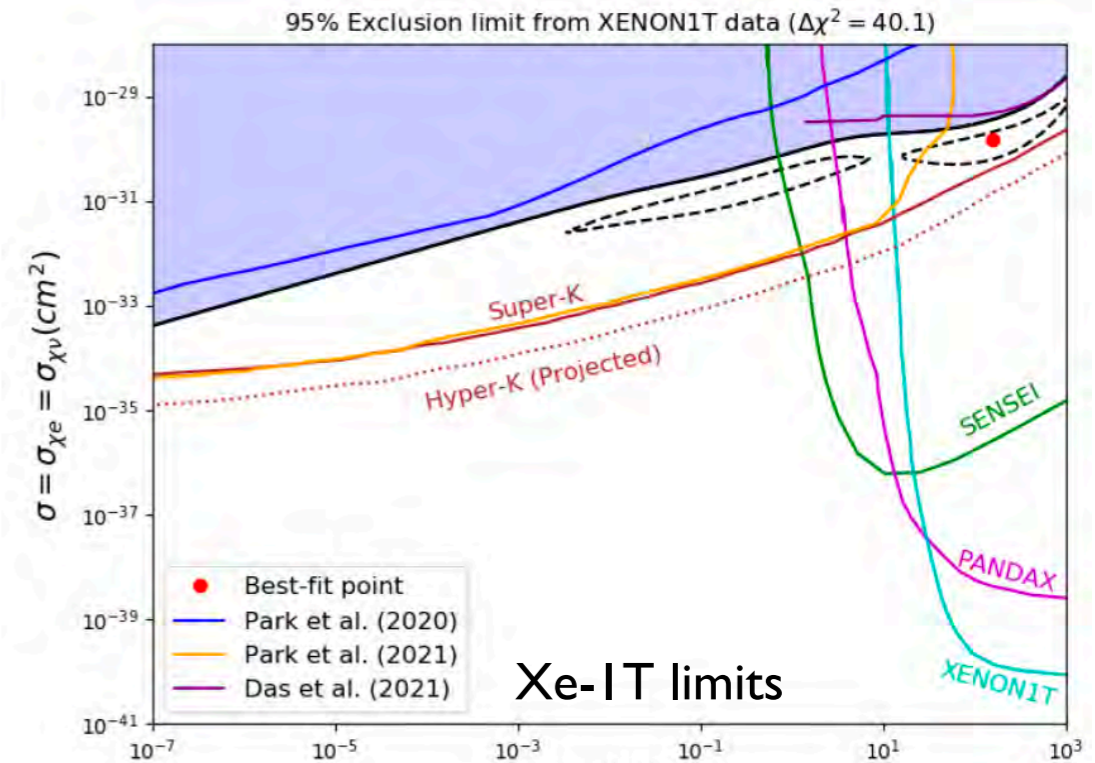




# DM- $\nu$ /e scattering



- BDM: boosted to higher E by interaction with CRe *and* DSNB- $\nu$
- Data from Xe-IT: few-keV e- recoils and SK-I: few-MeV e- recoils
- Look for consistency with XeIT excess
- “Recovers” parameter space ruled out by DD experiments
- Can also consider blazar-boosted DM

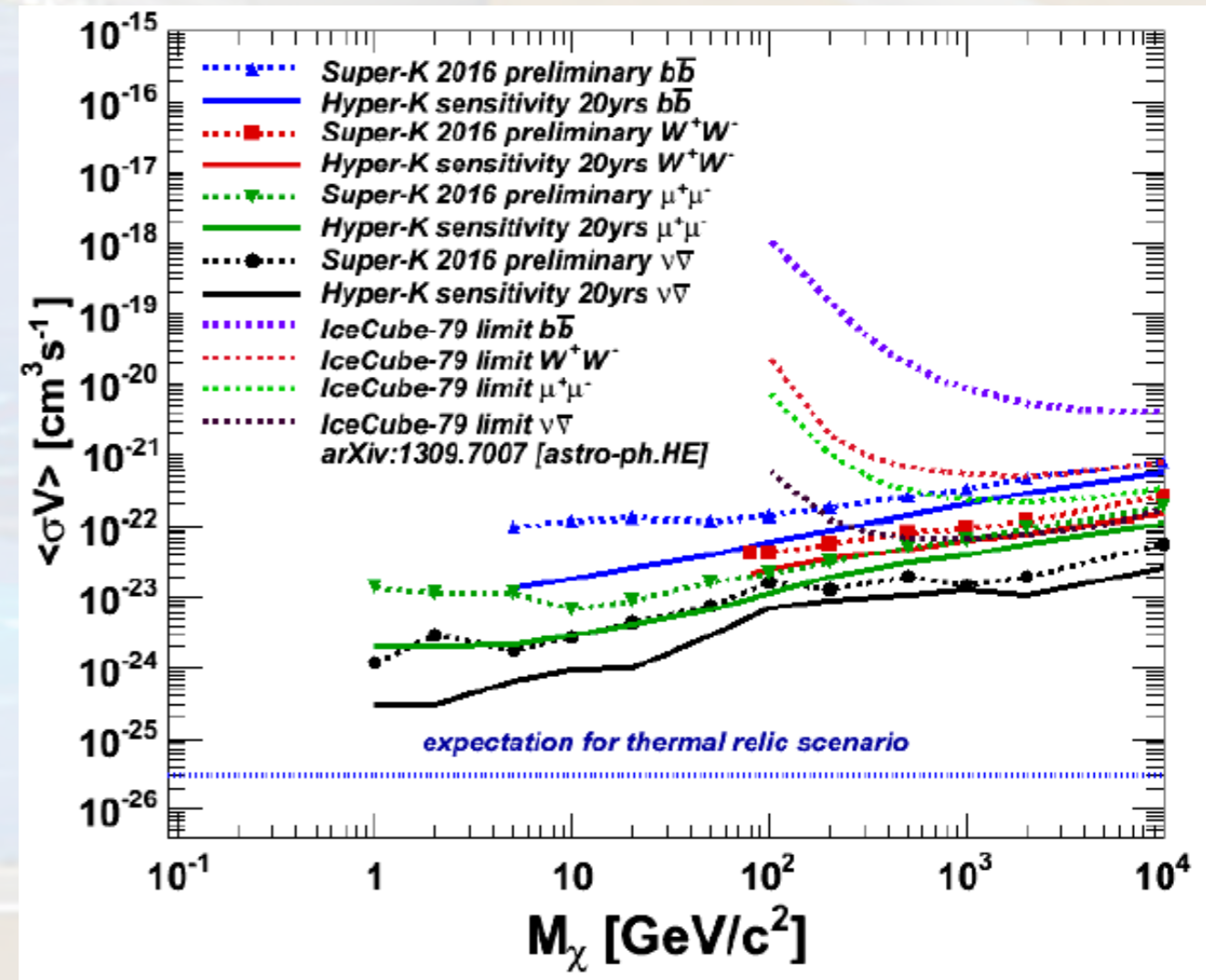


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# Indirect searches at SK/HK

- Search for excess of  $\nu$ s due to annihilations in the Sun, Earth, and Galactic halo
- $\chi\chi \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu} / b\bar{b} / \mu^+\mu^- / W^+W^-$
- Full MC: atm  $\nu$  bkg & WIMP signal
- Look for excess above bkg in  $E \times \theta$
- Data-driven check using on- /off-source directional analysis
- Signal should appear in all channels
- Hyper-Kamiokande:  $\sim 250$  kton WCD, 40% coverage

Upper limit (90%) on DM self annihilation crosssection  $\langle\sigma_A V\rangle$

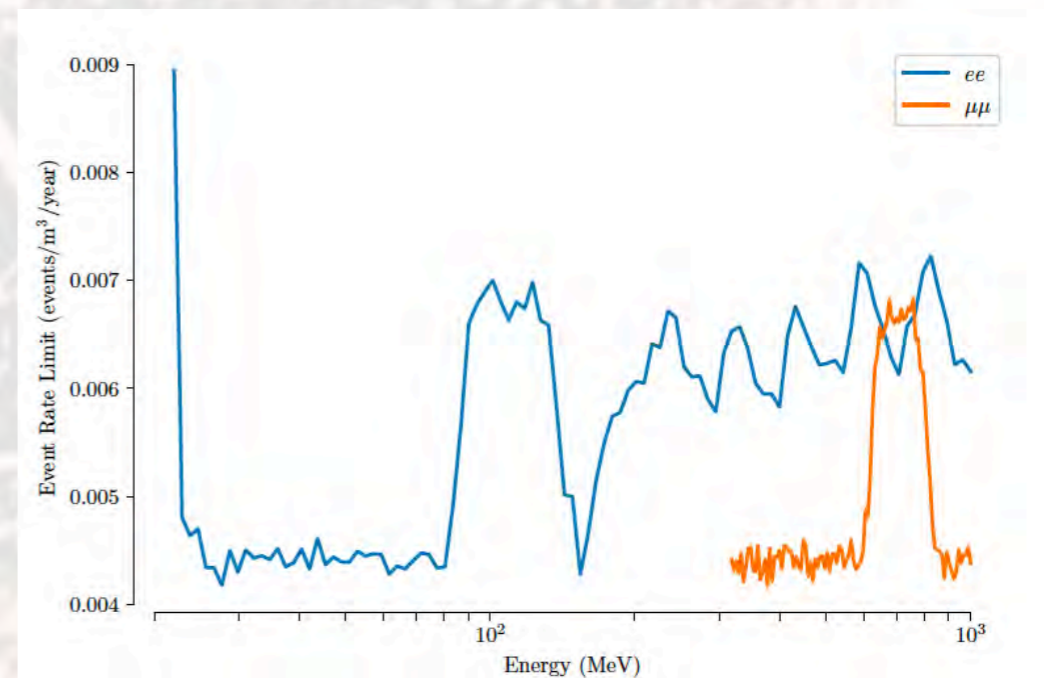
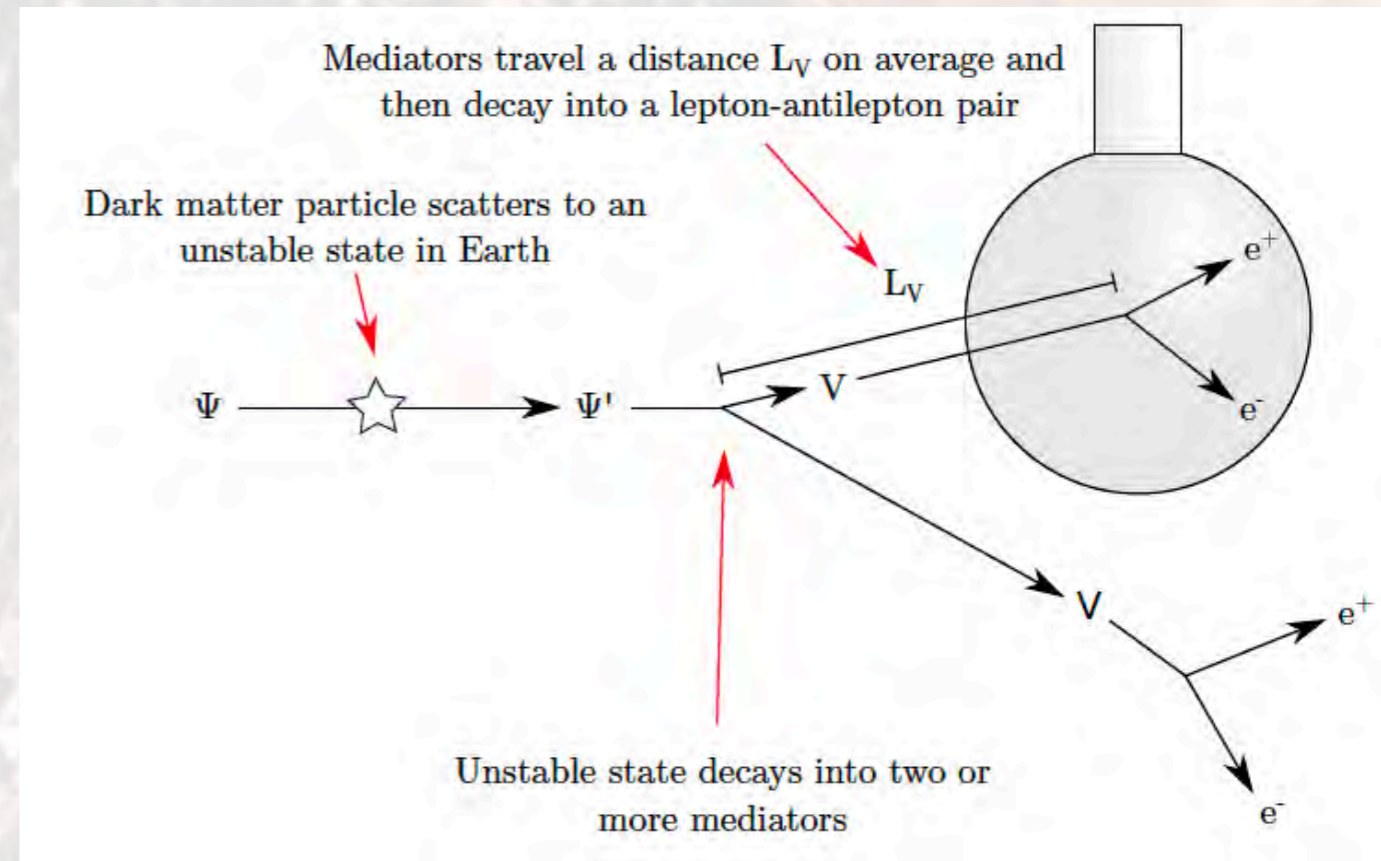


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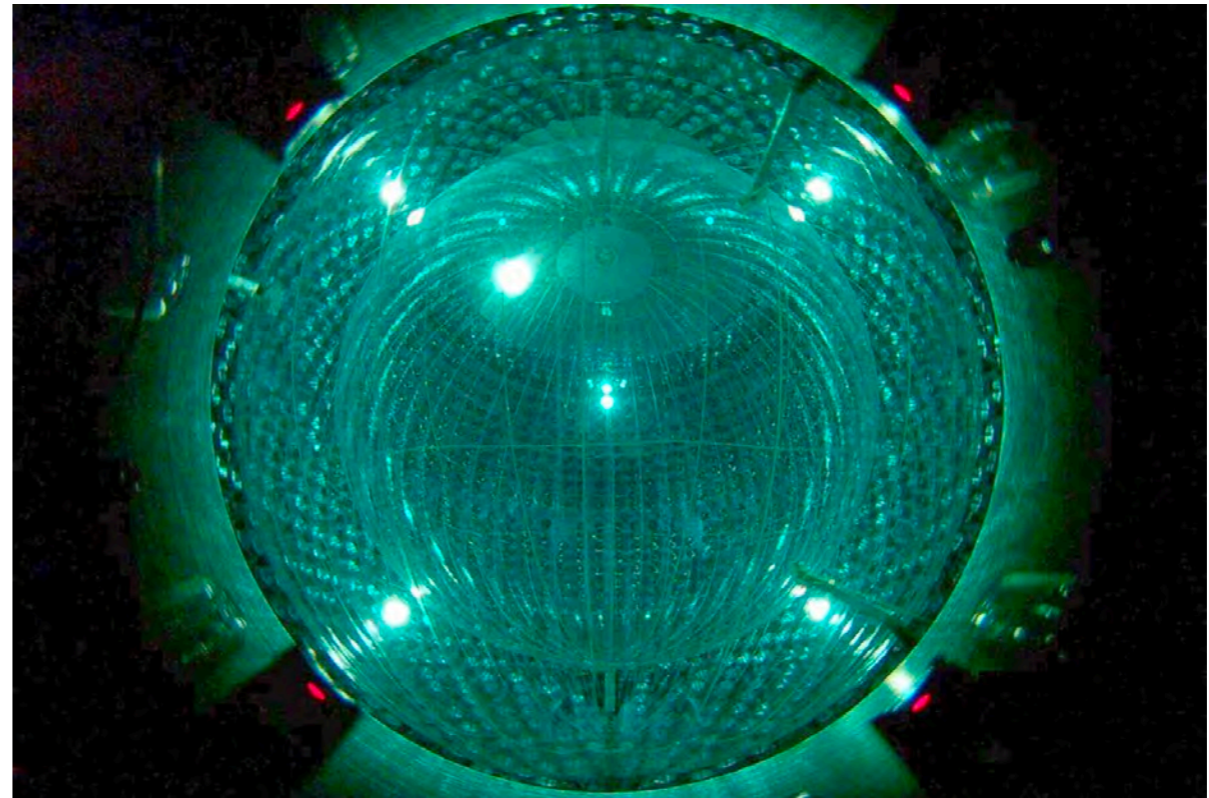
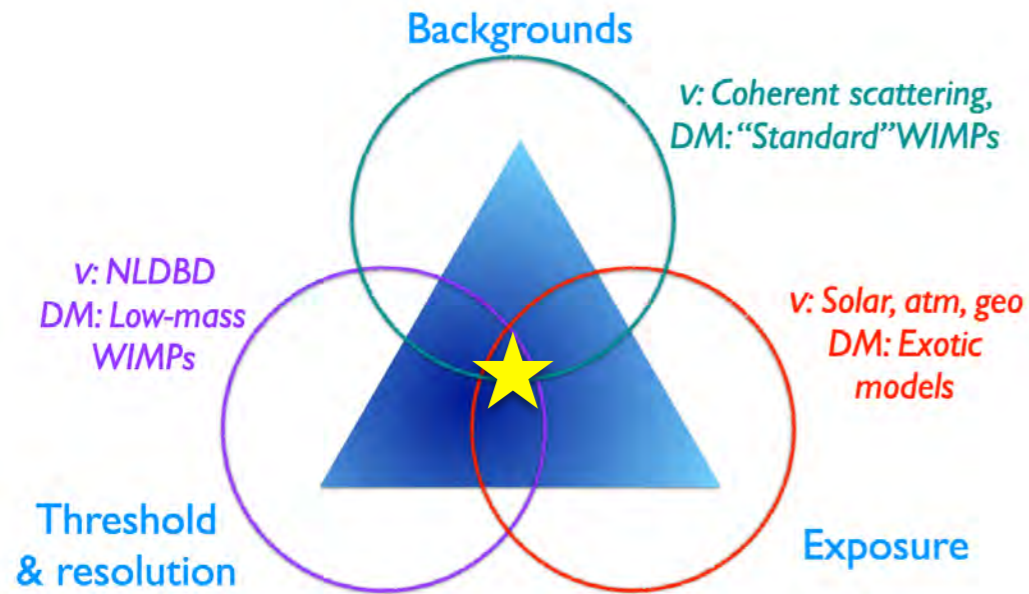
# Self-destructing DM at SNO

- DM bound state,  $\Psi$ , transitions to short-lived state,  $\Psi'$ , after interaction with matter.
- $\Psi' \rightarrow$  dark photons  $\rightarrow$  leptons
- Signature:  $l +$  high-E lepton pairs with fixed invariant mass
- Visible in WCDs (large mass, PID)
- SNO: null hypothesis test,  $e^-/e^+$  search,  $\mu^-/\mu^+$  search
- Consistent with atmospheric  $\nu$  bkg
- 90% CL limit on SDDM rate





# LS detectors



- Large exposure
- With improved resolution, threshold
- Particle ID from scintillation profile
- Sub-Cherenkov threshold sensitivity
- Ultra-low background

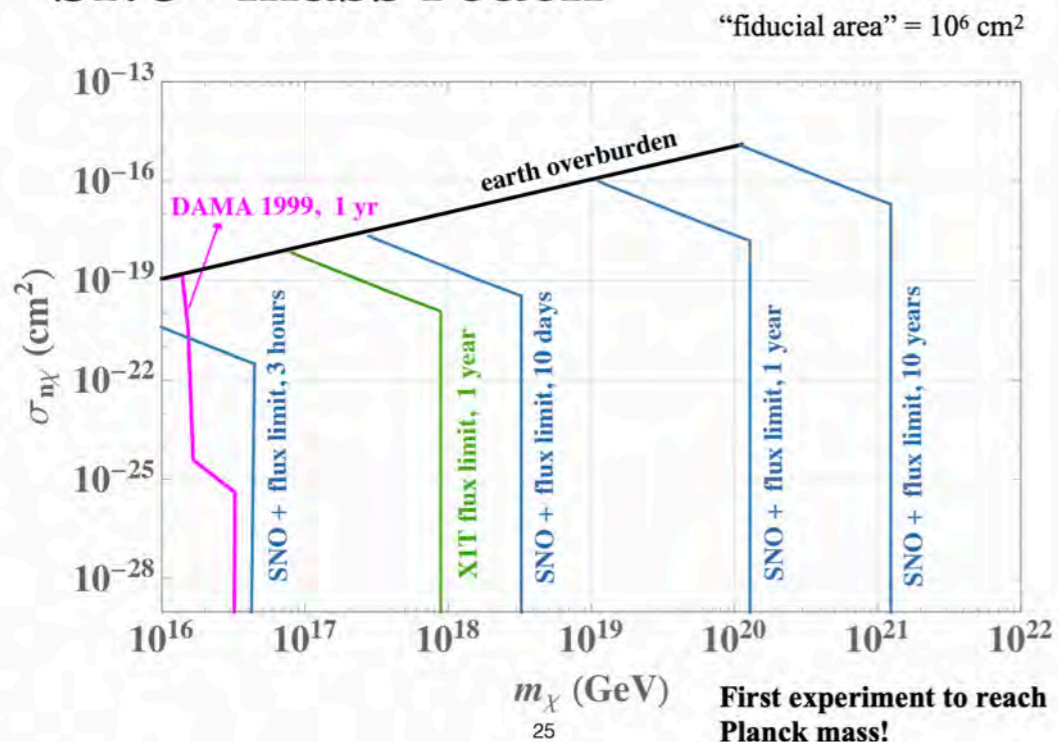




# MIMPs at SNO+

- Multiply-Interacting Massive Particles
- Detector transit time  $\sim 10 \mu\text{s}$
- Requirements:
  - Large detector
  - Low threshold
  - Non-Cherenkov signature

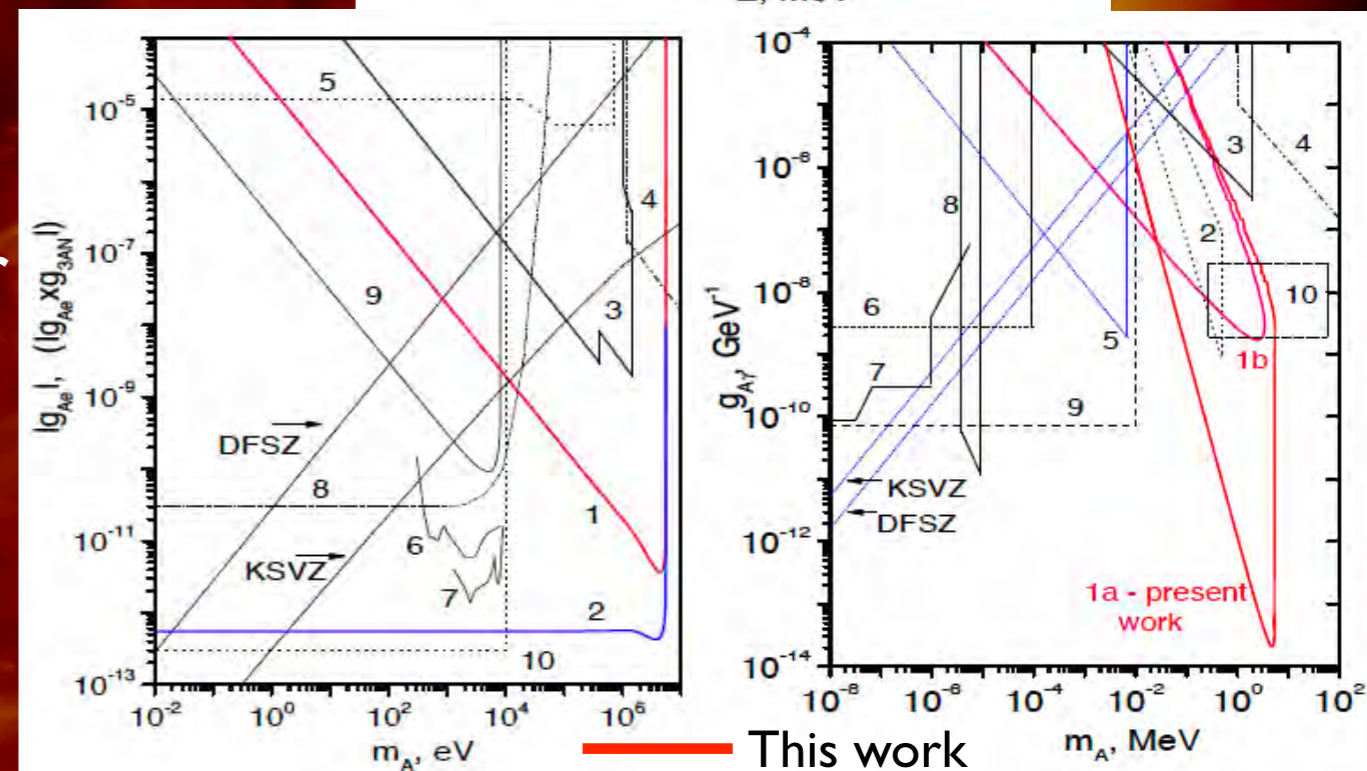
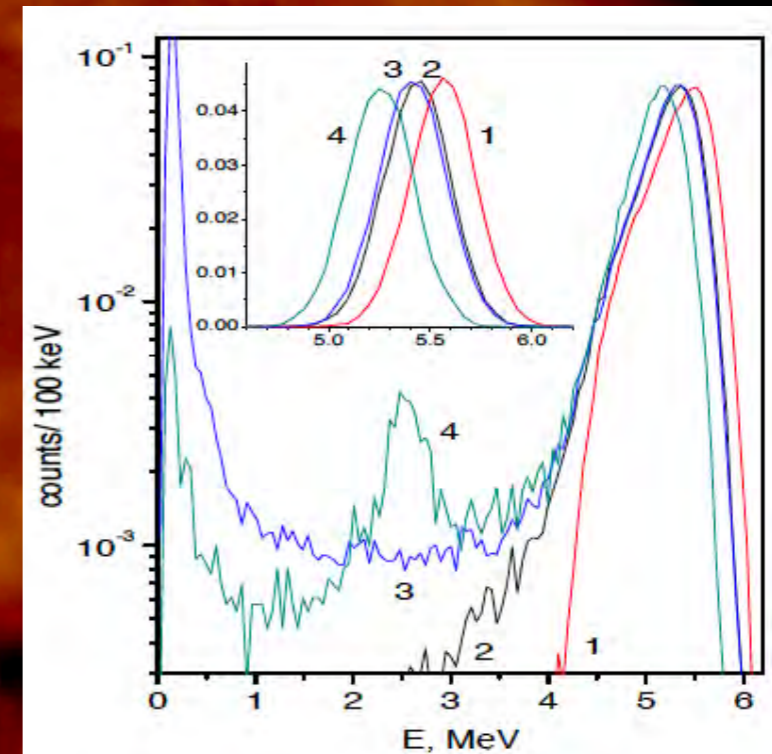
## SNO+ mass reach





# Solar axions at Borexino

- ALPs can be produced in the Sun via e.g.  $\gamma$ -axion conversion
- Borexino: 278t high-light yield, ultra-pure liquid scintillator detector
- Astonishing record of solar neutrino measurements (full spectroscopy of pp-chain, first detection of CNO cycle  $\nu$ )
- Search for 5.5-MeV peak from solar axions produced in  $p+d \rightarrow 3\text{He} + \gamma$
- Full MC of response (quenching effects)
- Limits on couplings to  $e, \gamma, N$



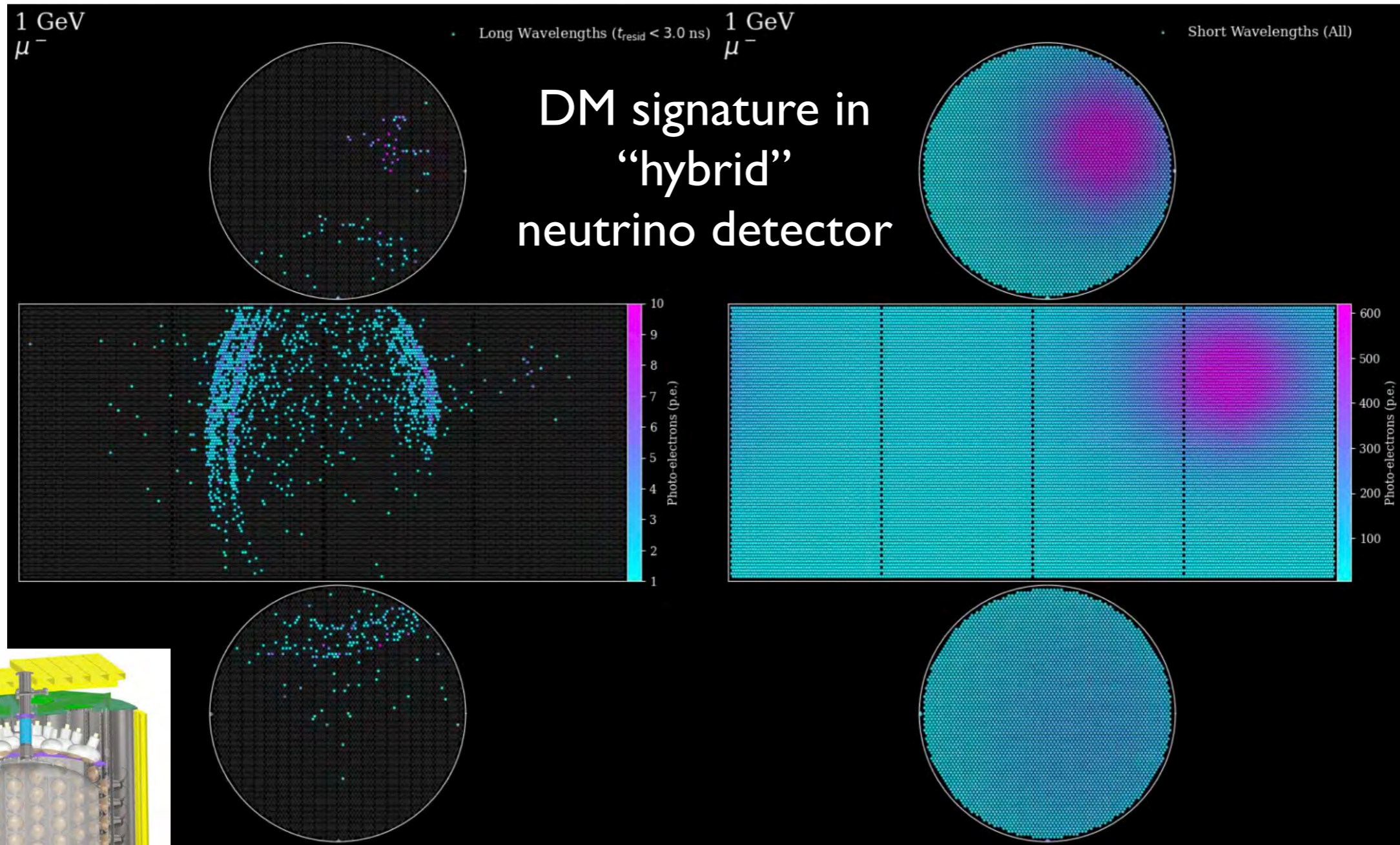


# Next-generation prospects

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- Ton-scale NLDBD experiments
  - LEGEND-200/1000: next-gen HPGe detector, LAr veto
  - CUPID:  $\text{Li}_2\text{MoO}_4$  scintillating bolometers with PID
  - nEXO: LXe TPC
- DUNE: 20-40 kton LAr TPC + GeV-scale  $\nu$  beam from FNAL
  - Light DM detection: NC-like interactions with e-/N in ND
  - BDM: cosmogenic
  - Indirect: annihilation in the solar core
- HyperK: see yesterday's talk

# The future



Eos: 4-ton technology demonstrator



# DM in $\nu$ detectors

*Target of opportunity*



sketchplanations

2K6fcHb/gN9f!0u2

# Summary

The background of the slide is a photograph of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, taken during sunset. The bridge's iconic red-orange towers and suspension cables are silhouetted against a sky with soft orange and blue hues. The city skyline is visible in the distance below the bridge.

- Neutrino detectors occupy a particular niche in DM detection
- These detectors offer sensitivity to both direct and indirect DM signatures
- As we scale up, overlap in programs increases
- The future program will leverage multi-purpose, next-generation, precision detectors
- A robust program in dark matter will be a broad program, bringing together expertise from different technologies and different energy regimes



# Thank you!





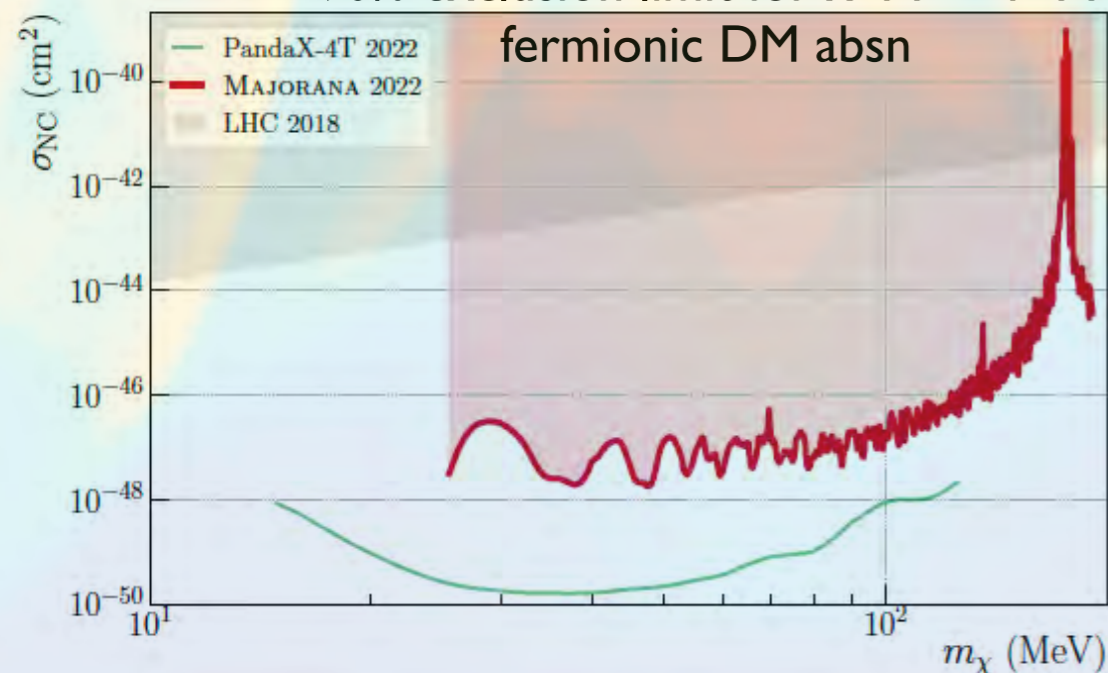




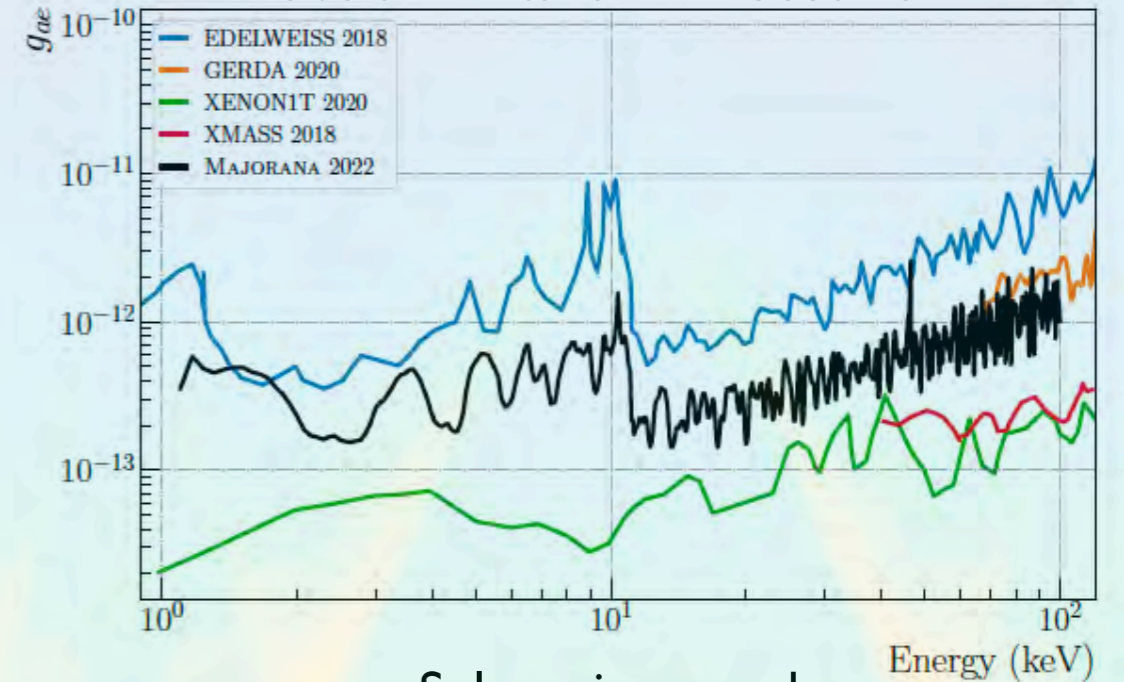
# Exotic DM at MJD

- Sensitivity to sub-GeV DM, ALP, dark photons, keV-scale vs
- Majorana: 29.7kg HPGe at SURF, USA
- 37.5 kg-yr exposure
- Search for a peak in the range 1-100keV
- Polynomial bkg continuum +  $\gamma$  lines
- Consider a range of exotic DM models

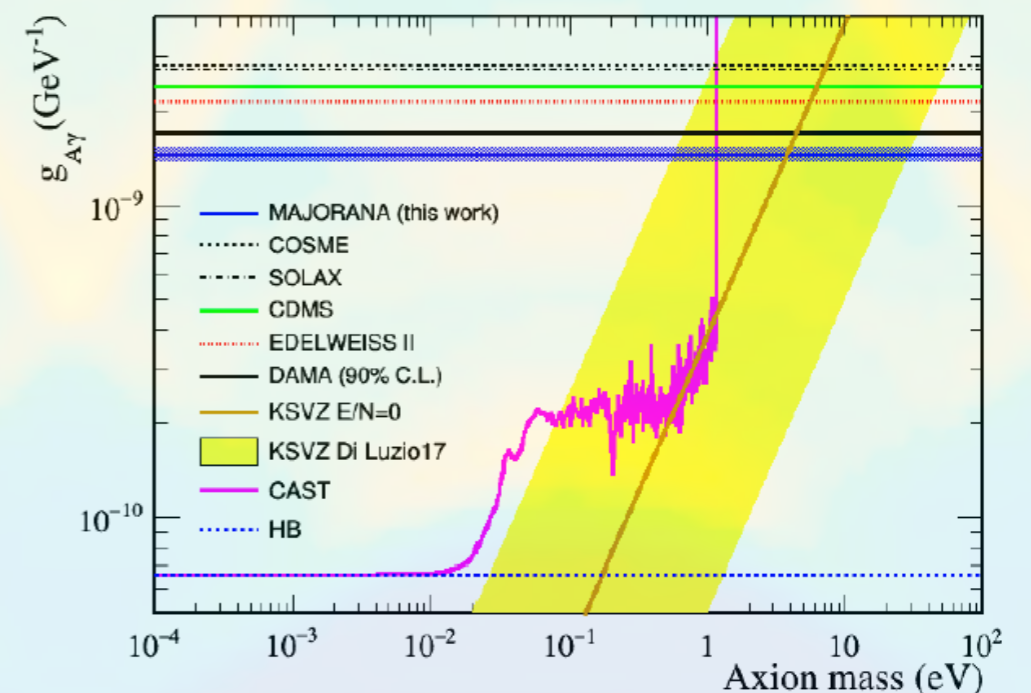
90% exclusion limit for  $\chi+A \rightarrow \nu+A$



Exclusion limits for ALP bosonic DM



Solar axion search



arXiv: 2206.10638; arXiv:2206.05789



# XeIT / SK constraints

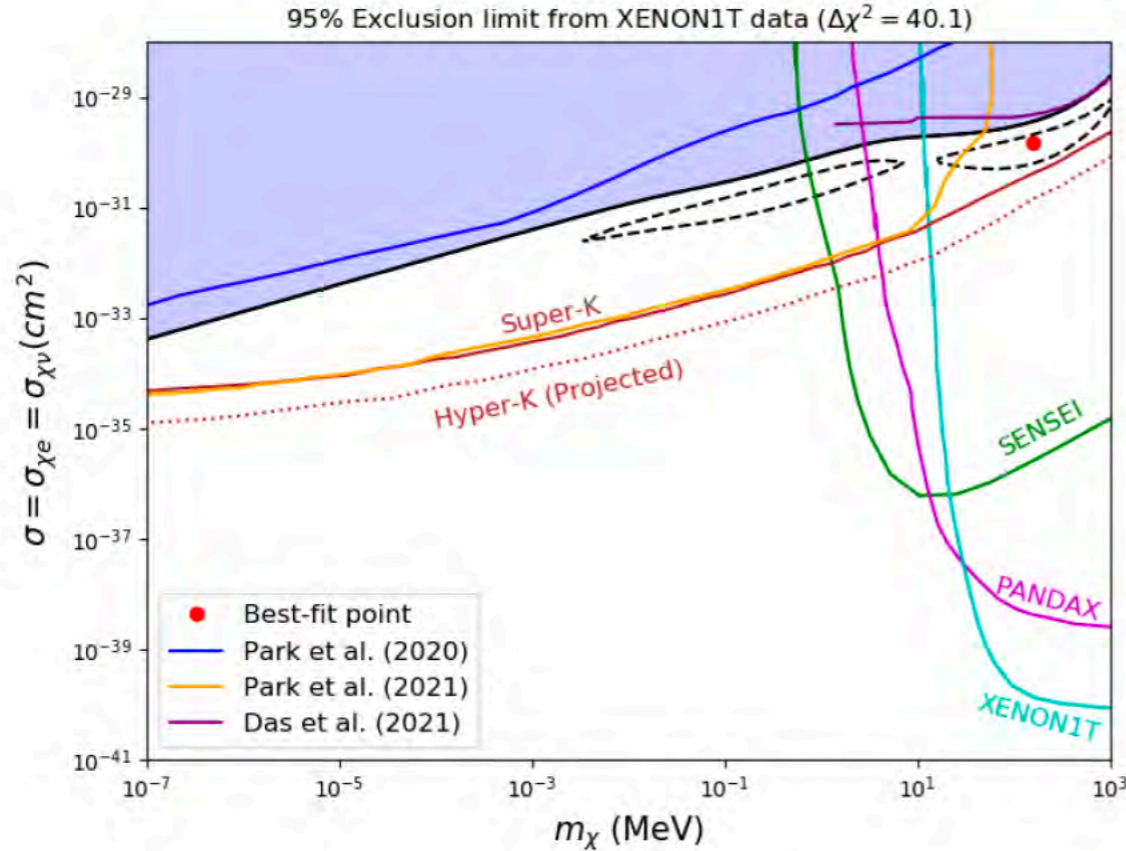


FIG. 9. Exclusion region in the  $(m_\chi, \sigma_{\chi\nu} = \sigma_{\chi e})$  plane derived from the XENON1T data at the 95% confidence level for DM boosted by both CRe and DSNB, corresponding to  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$  in Eq. (15). For all points inside the dashed line  $\Delta\chi^2 < 0$  and the best fit point (156 MeV,  $1.5 \times 10^{-30} \text{ cm}^2$ ) marked with red point correspond to  $\Delta\chi^2 = -3.1$ . The constraints from other experiments on light cold DM such as SENSEI [68], PANDAX II [69], XENON1T [70], along with the constraints based on the results from Ref. [44] for CRe BDM, Ref. [49] for stellar neutrino BDM and Ref. [50] for DSNB BDM, derived from XENON1T data, are shown for comparison. We also give the results from Ref. [41] for CRe boosted DM derived from Super-K (also Hyper-K projection) data.

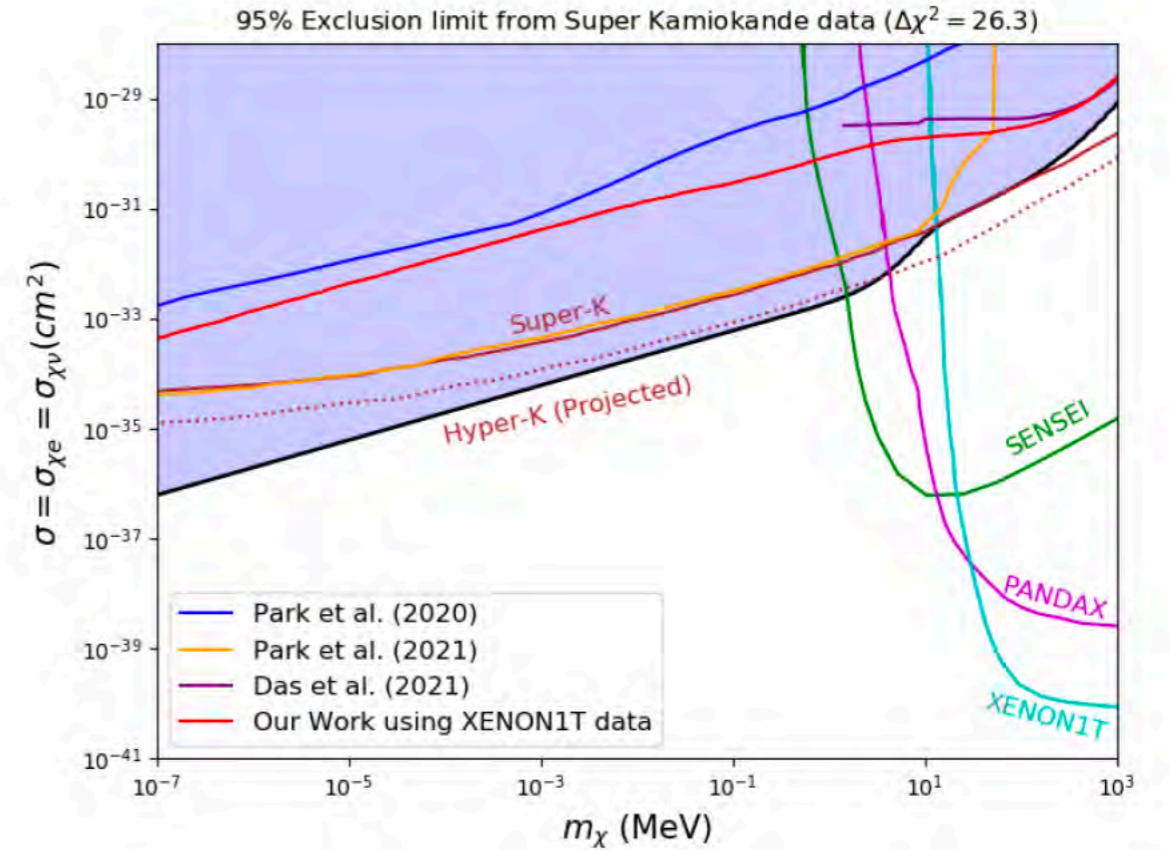
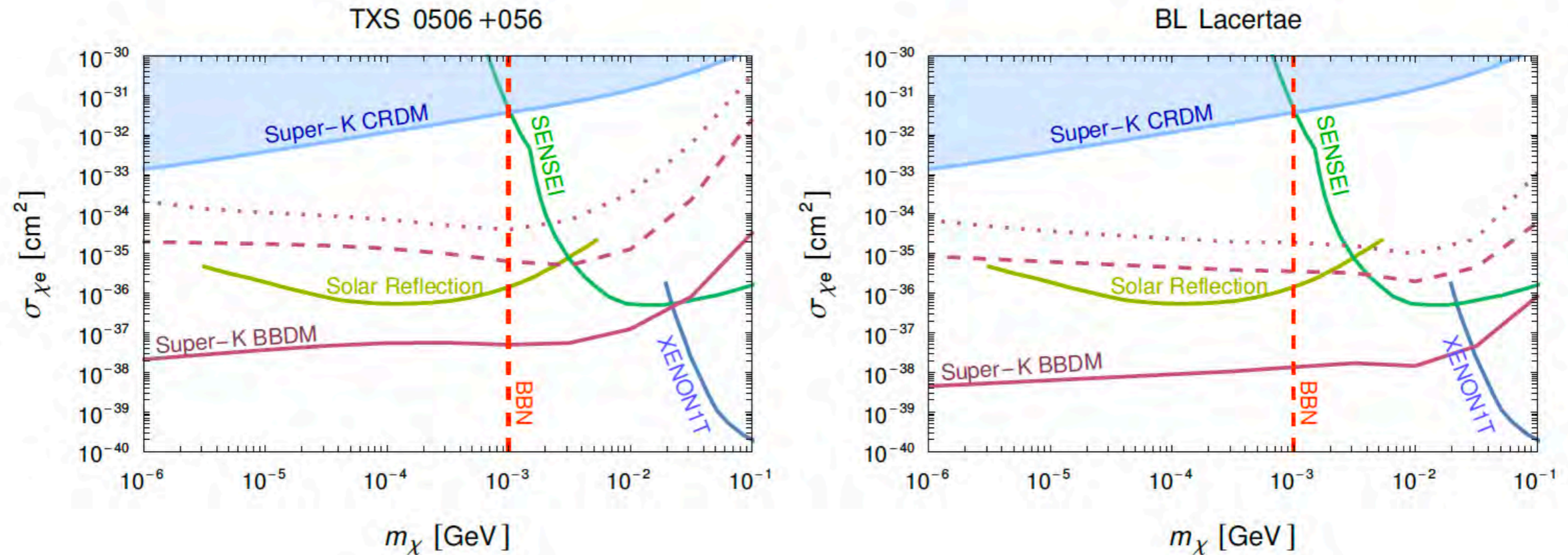


FIG. 14. Exclusion region in the  $(m_\chi, \sigma_{\chi\nu} = \sigma_{\chi e})$  plane derived from the SK I data at the 95% confidence level for DM boosted by both CRe and DSNB, corresponding to  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$  in Eq. (15). The constraints from other experiments on light cold DM such as SENSEI [68], PANDAX II [69], XENON1T [70], along with the constraints based on the results from Ref. [44] for CRe BDM, Ref. [49] for stellar neutrino BDM and Ref. [50] for DSNB BDM, derived from XENON1T data, are shown for comparison. We also give the results from Ref. [41] for CRe boosted DM derived from Super-K (also Hyper-K projection) data.



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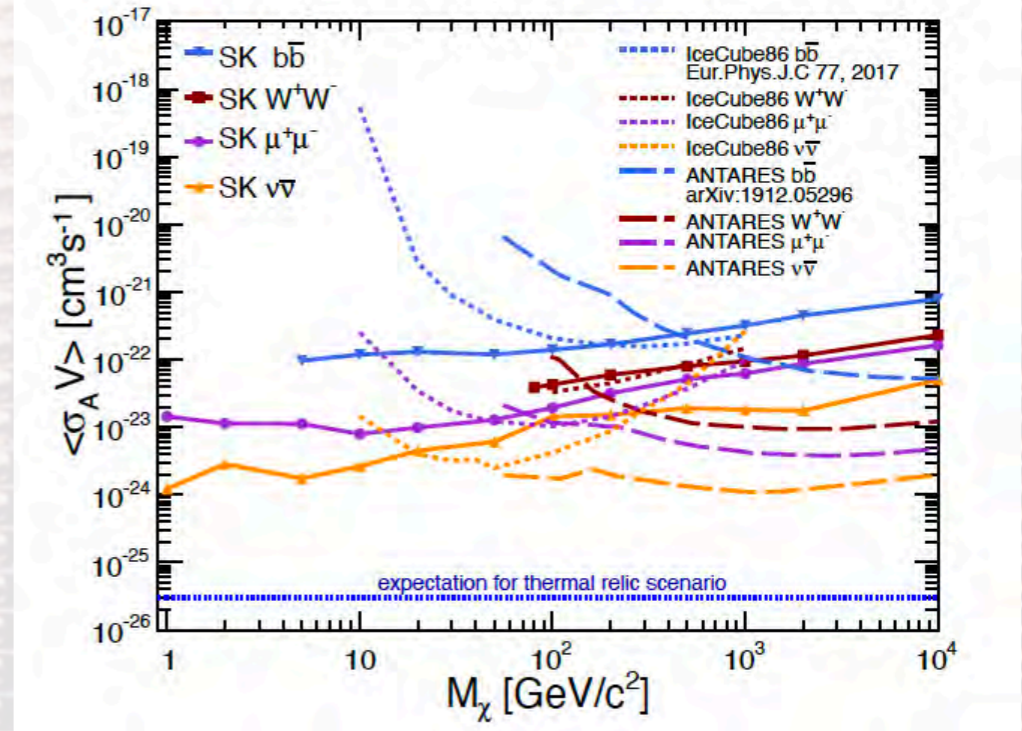
**Figure 4.** The constraints on DM-electron scattering cross section imposed by Super-K [13]. The left panel is for TXS 0506+056, while the right panel for BL Lacertae. The solid, dashed, and dotted purple lines correspond to BMP1, BMP2, and BMP3, respectively. For comparison, the constraints from CRDM [14, 15], XENON1T [6], SENSEI [59], Solar Reflection [58], and BBN [56, 57] are included.



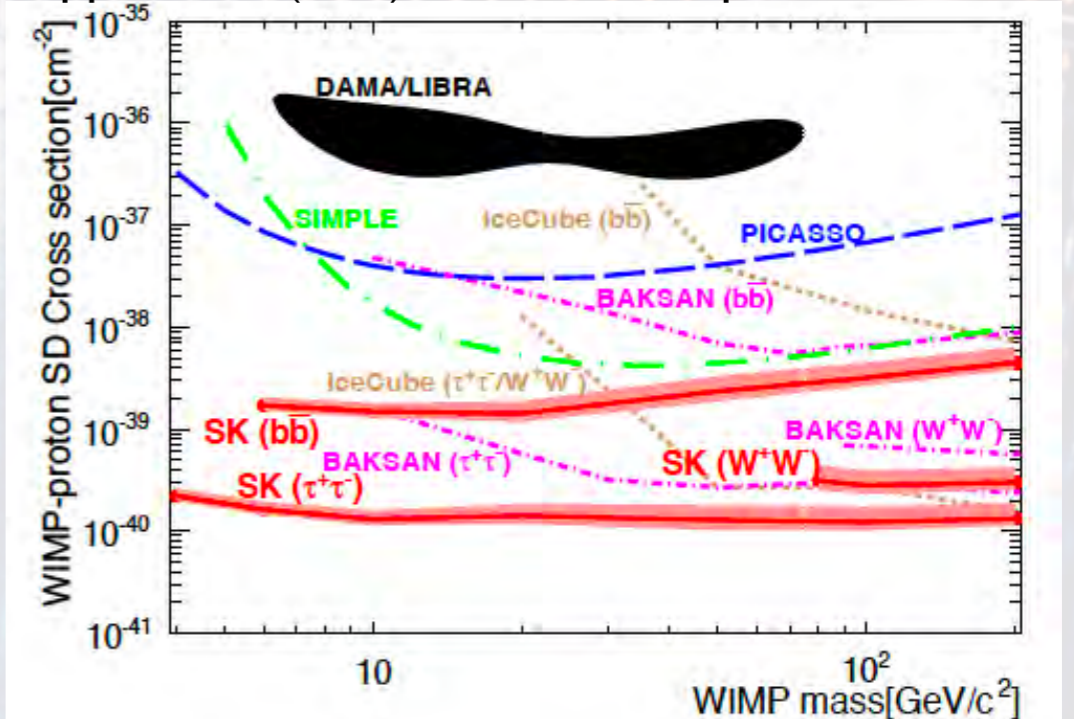
# Indirect searches at SK

- Search for an excess of  $\nu$ s due to annihilations in the Sun, Earth, and Galactic halo
- $\chi\chi \rightarrow \nu\nu / b\bar{b} / \mu^+\mu^- / W^+W^-$
- Full MC of atm  $\nu$  bkg and WIMP signal
- Look for excess above bkg in  $E \times \theta$
- Data-driven check using on- /off-source directional analysis
- Signal should appear in all channels
- Solar annihilation: convert 90% upper limit on  $\nu$  flux from DM annihilation into upper limit on WIMP-N  $\sigma$

Upper limit (90%) on DM self annihilation x-section  $\langle\sigma_A V\rangle$



Upper limit (90%) on SD WIMP-p cross section





# Indirect SK results

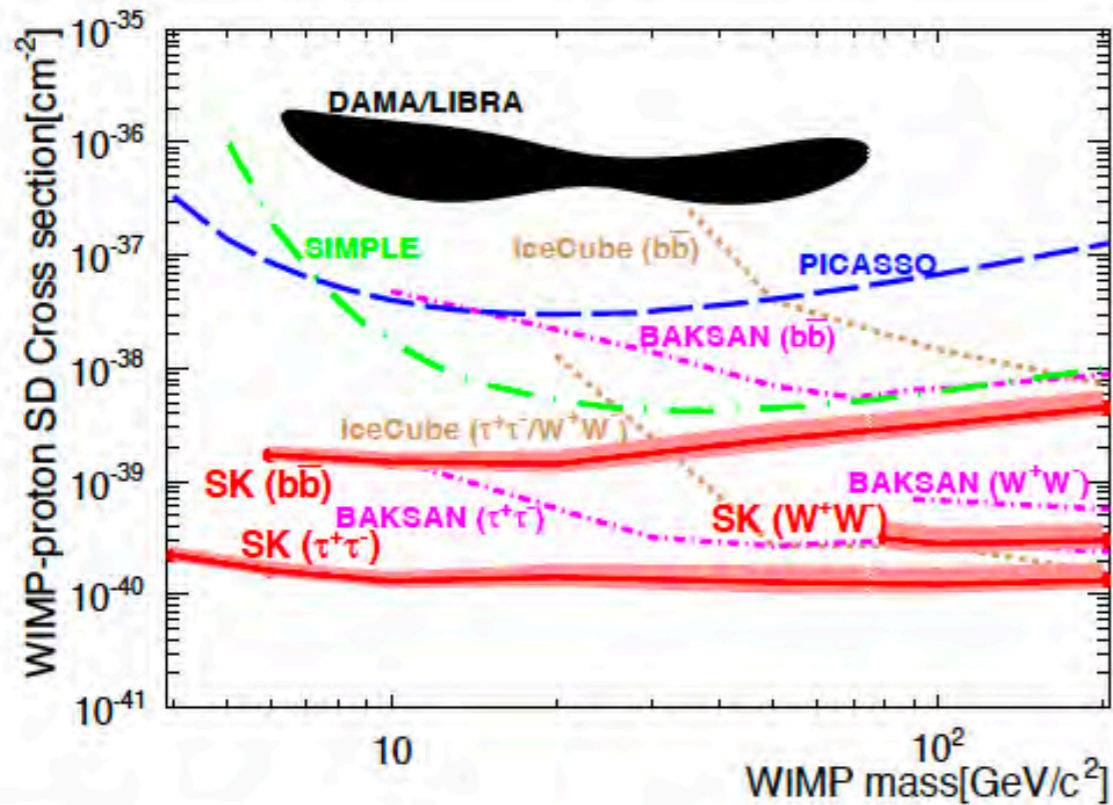


FIG. 3. 90% C. L. upper limits on SD WIMP-proton cross section calculated at DarkSUSY [30] default are shown in red solid with uncertainty bands to take account uncertainties in the capture rate for the  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $W^+W^-$  and  $\tau^+\tau^-$  channels from top to the bottom. Also shown are limits from other experiments: IceCube [9] in brown dashed:  $b\bar{b}$  (top) /  $W^+W^-$  or  $\tau^+\tau^-$  (bottom); BAKSAN [10] in pink dot-dashed:  $b\bar{b}$  (top) /  $W^+W^-$  (middle) /  $\tau^+\tau^-$  (bottom); PICASSO [31] (blue long-dashed); SIMPLE [32] (green long dot-dashed). The black shaded region is the  $3\sigma$  C.L. signal claimed by DAMA/LIBRA [12, 33].

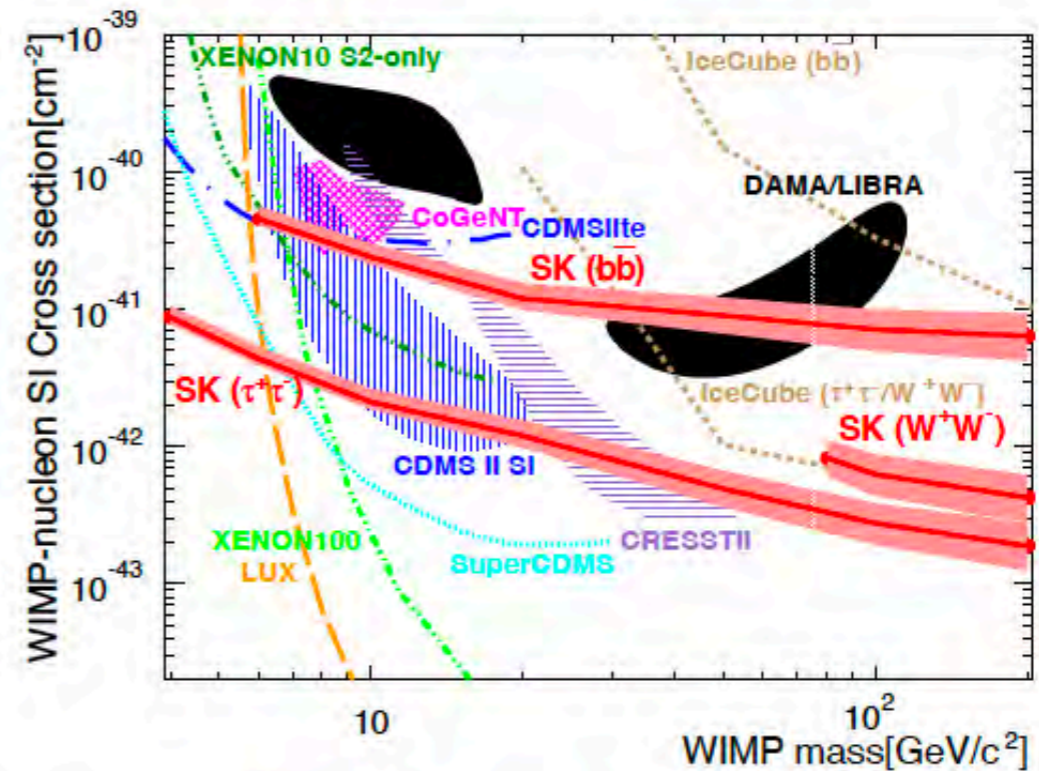


FIG. 4. 90% C. L. upper limits on the SI WIMP-nucleon cross section (plotting scheme is the same as Fig. 3). Also shown are event excesses or annual modulation signals reported by other experiments: DAMA/LIBRA (black shaded regions,  $3\sigma$  C.L.); CoGeNT [13] (magenta diagonally cross-hatched region, 90% C.L.); CRESSTII [14] (violet horizontally-shaded regions,  $2\sigma$  C.L.); CDMS II Si [15] (blue vertically-shaded region, 90% C.L.); and limits: IceCube [9] in brown dashed:  $b\bar{b}$  (top) /  $W^+W^-$  or  $\tau^+\tau^-$  (bottom); SuperCDMS [34] (cyan dotted); CDMSlite [35] (blue long dot-dashed); XENON10 S2-only [36] (dark green dash triple dot); XENON100 [37] (green dash double dot); LUX [38] (orange long-dashed).



# Bx results

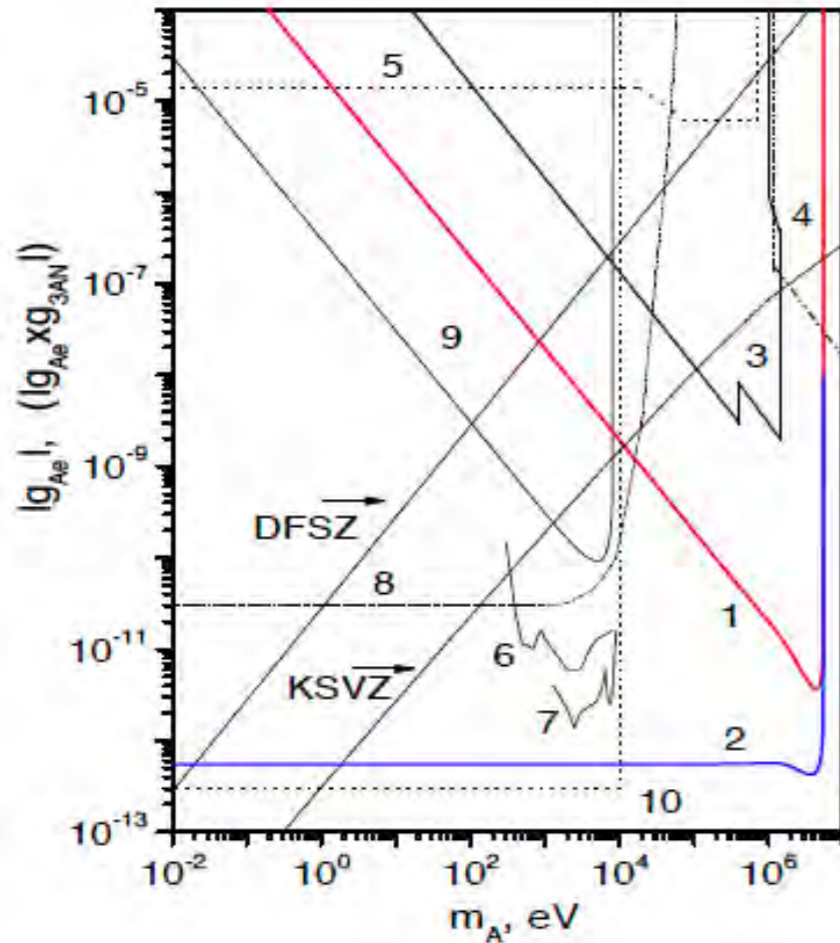


FIG. 6. The limits on the  $g_{Ae}$  coupling constant obtained by 1- present work, 2 - present work for  $|g_{Ae} \times g_{3AN}|$ , 3- reactor [39, 40] and solar experiments [15, 25], 4- beam dump experiments [41, 42], 5- ortho-positronium decay [43], 6- CoGeNT [44], 7- CDMS [45], 8- solar axion luminosity [47], 9-resonance absorption [46], 10- read giant [48]. The excluded values are located above the corresponding lines. The relations between  $g_{Ae}$  and  $m_A$  for KSVZ- and DFSZ-models are shown also.

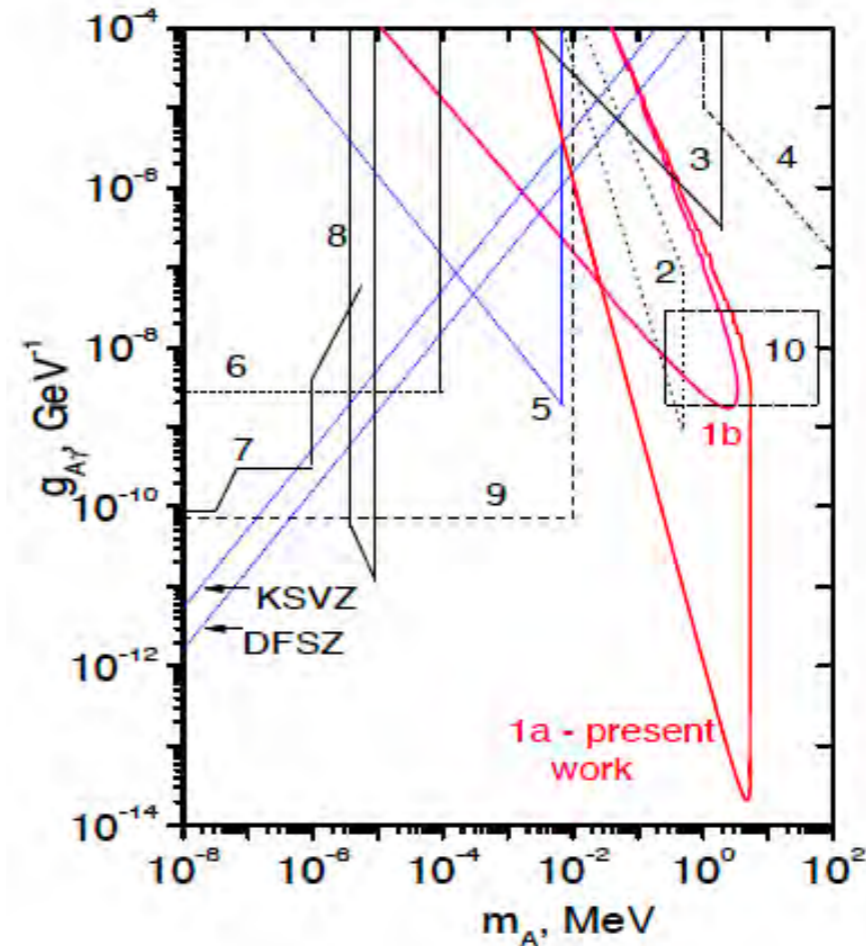
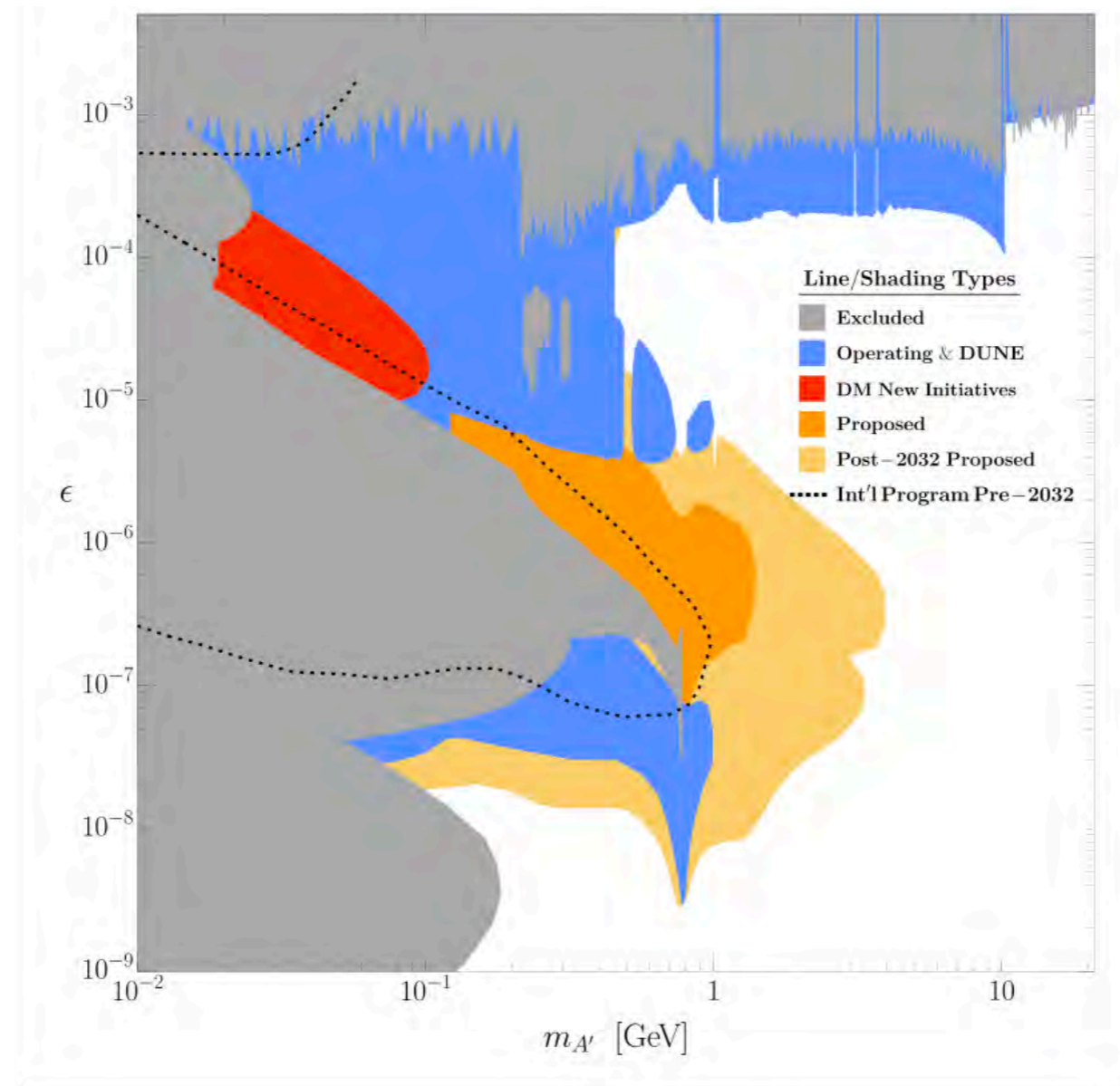


FIG. 7. The limits on  $g_{A\gamma}$  obtained by 1- present work (a -  $A \rightarrow 2\gamma$ , b - PC, areas of excluded values are located inside contour), 2 - CTF [15], 3- reactor experiment [40], 4- beam dump experiments [41, 42], 5- resonant absorption [49], 6- solar axions conversion in crystals - [50-52], 7- CAST and Tokyo helioscope [53-55], 8-telescopes [56-58], 9- HB Stars [48], 10- expectation region from heavy axion models [10-12].



# Dark photon allowed space



**Figure 3.** Visible dark-photon parameter space (compatible with secluded thermal DM) [4]: Near-term and future opportunities to search for visibly decaying dark photons interacting through the vector portal displayed in the dark photon mass ( $m_{A'}$ ) – kinetic mixing ( $\epsilon$ ) parameter space. Constraints from past experiments (gray regions) and projected sensitivities from operating and fully funded experiments and DUNE (blue regions), the DMNI-supported experiments (red region), and other proposed near-term (pre-2032) experiments based in the US and/or with strong US leadership (orange region) are shown. Primarily international projects are shown as a dashed line. Proposed experiments that are farther into the future are shown in light yellow. See Fig. 12 for a more detailed version of this figure showing individual experiments color-coded by experimental approach, highlighting one aspect of the complementarity between different facilities/experiments. Collectively, these experiments are poised to cover large regions of open dark photon parameter space.

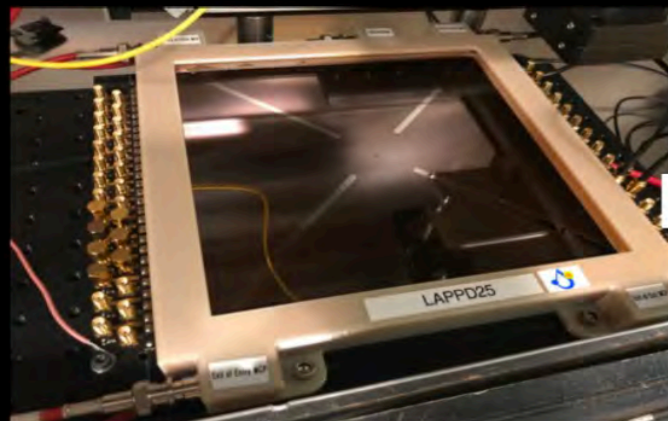


# Hybrid neutrino detection

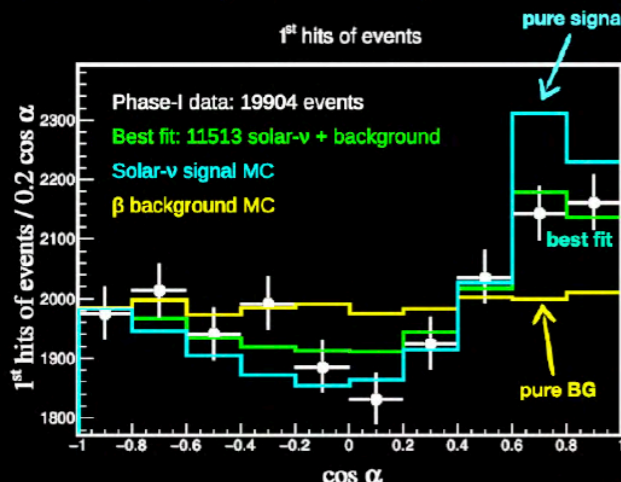
→ Enhanced sensitivity to broad physics program



Novel target media:  
Water-based/Slow Scintillator

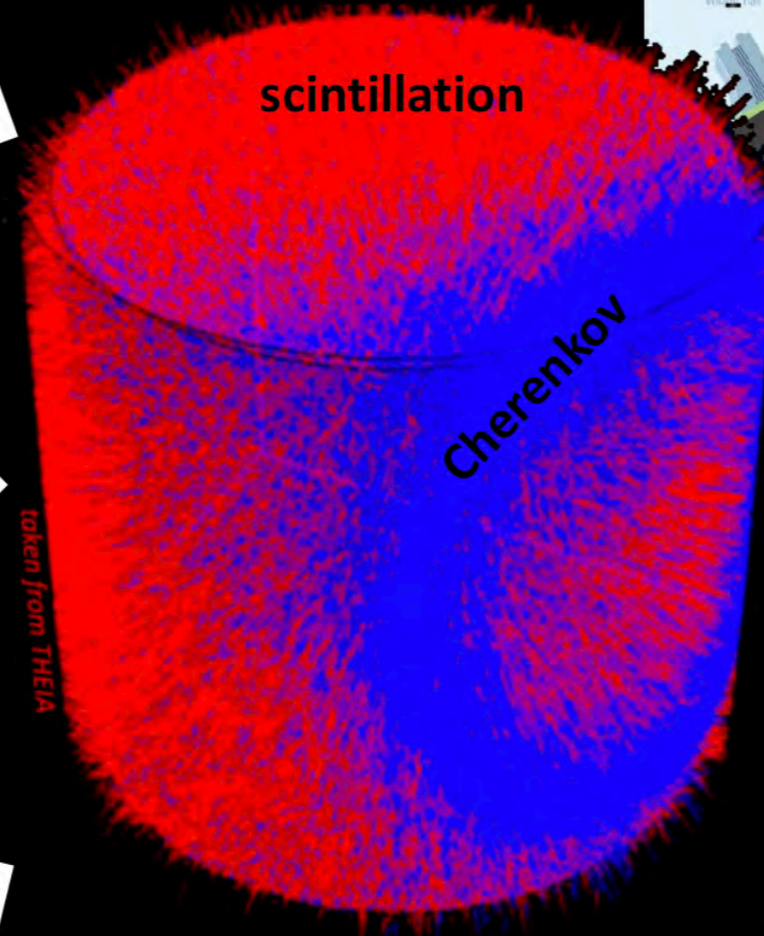


Novel light sensors:  
fast PMTs, LAPPDs, dichroicons

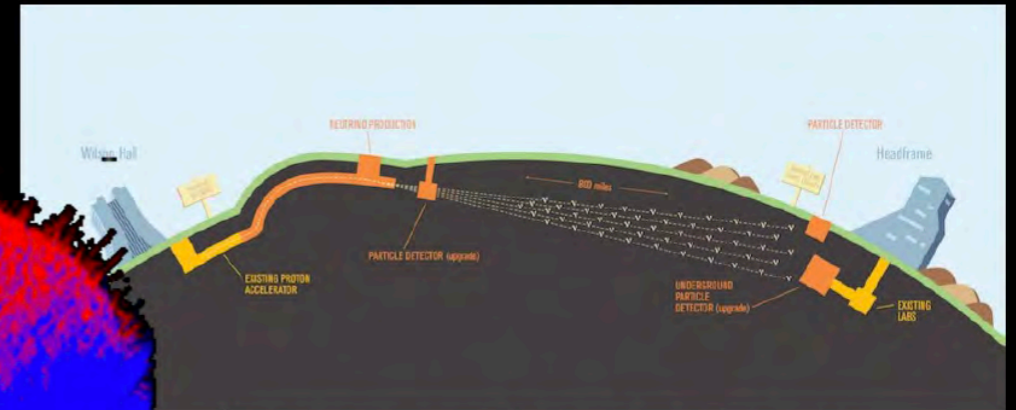


Novel reconstruction techniques

Michael Wurm (Mainz)



Large volume detector  
able to exploit both  
Cherenkov+Scintillation  
signals

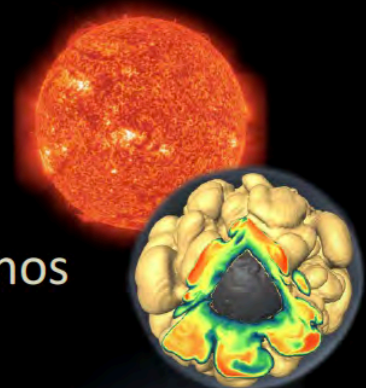


→ Long-Baseline Oscillations

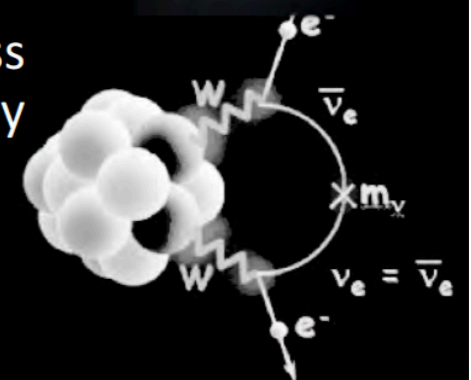
→ Solar neutrinos

→ Supernova neutrinos

→ Diffuse SN neutrinos



Neutrinoless  
Double-Beta Decay



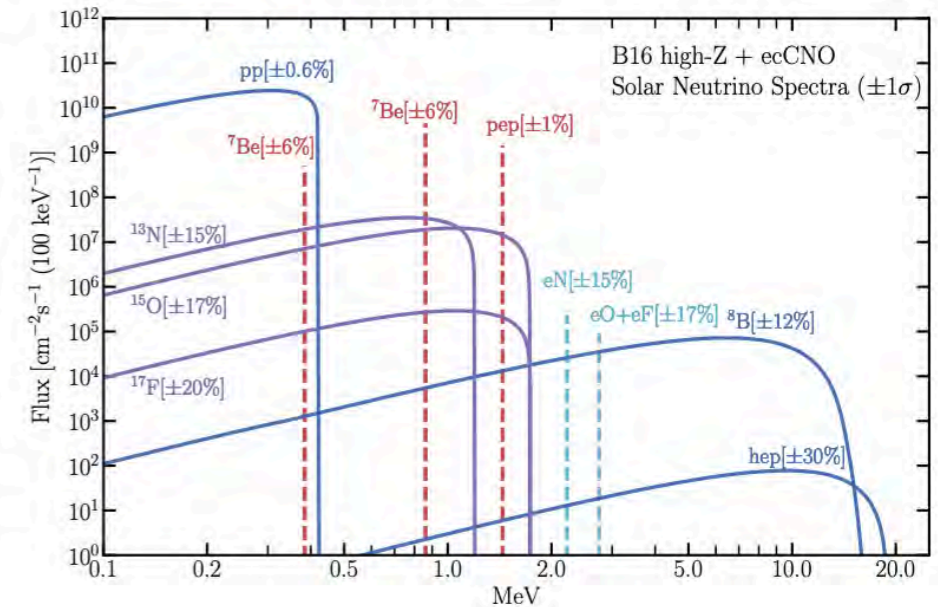
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Hybrid Detectors

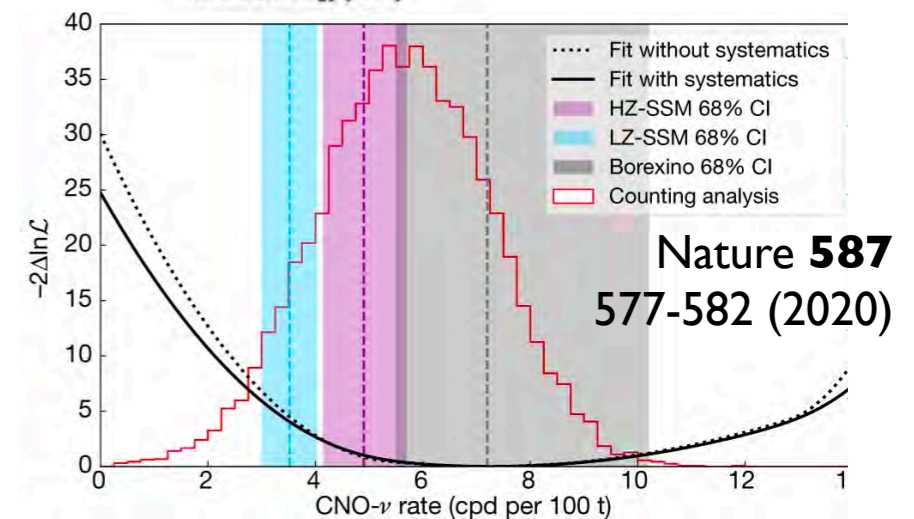
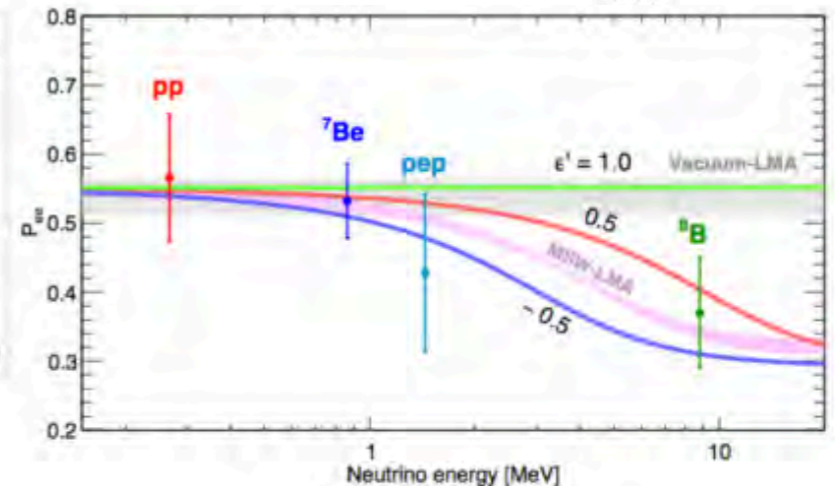


# Beyond the Solar Neutrino Problem

- Fluxes
  - hep: last unobserved flux
  - CNO: solar metallicity
  - 8B, 7Be: T, environmental factors
  - pp: luminosity constraint
- Oscillation parameters / spectrum
  - Day/night effect
  - $\Delta m^2_{12}$  (mild tension)
  - NSIs, sterile



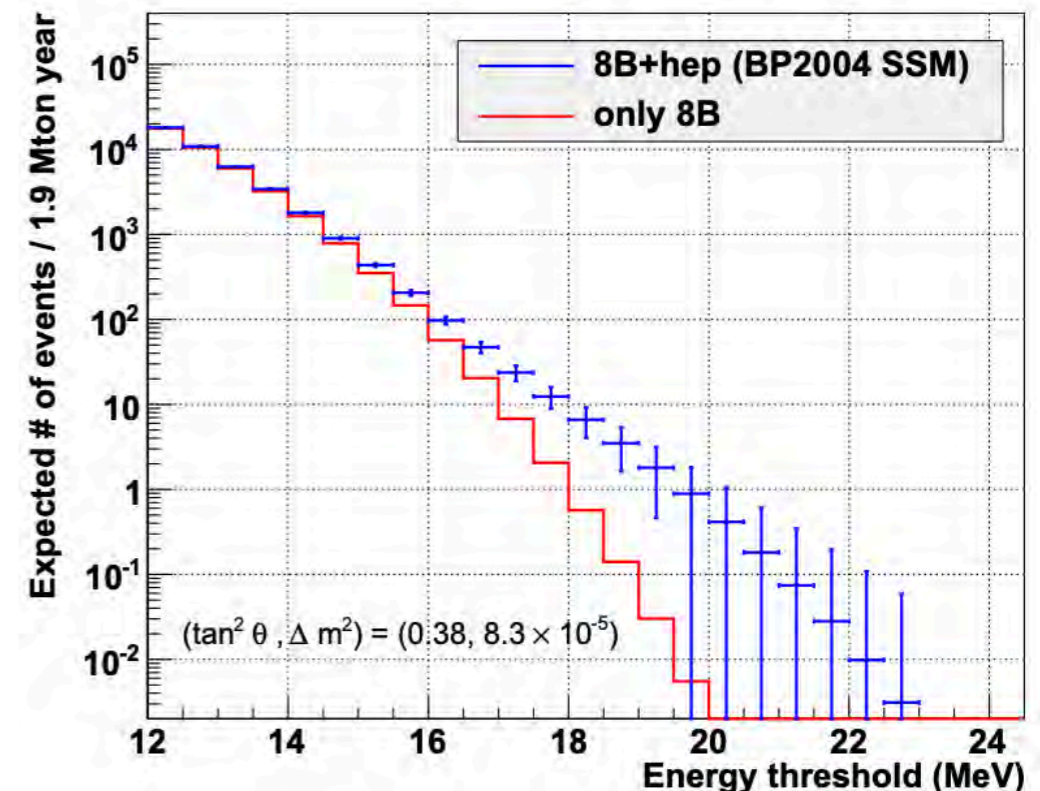
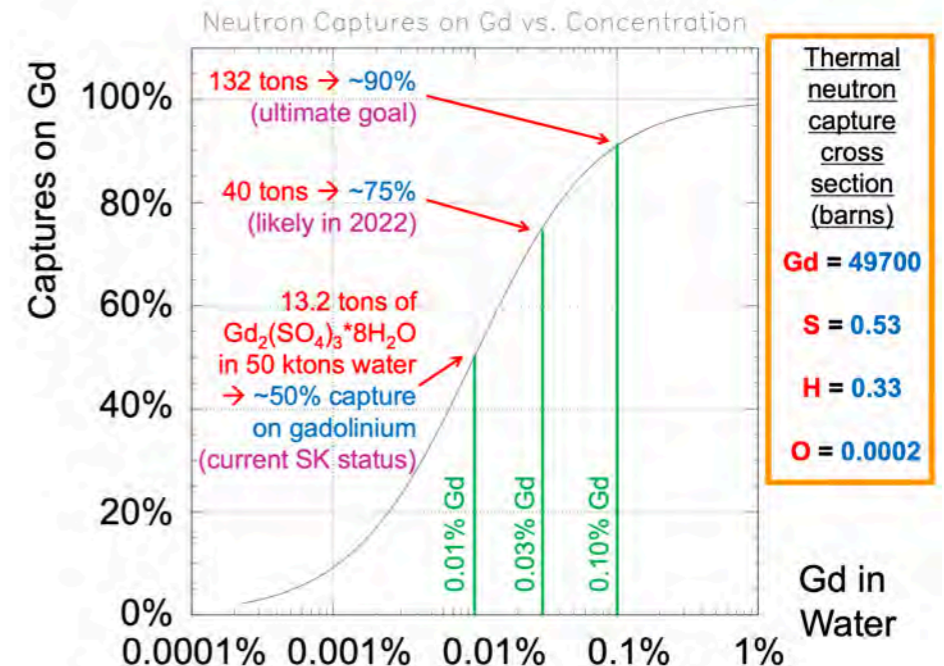
- $P_{ee}$  with B16 GS98 SSM
- SNO  $^8\text{B}$  quadratic fit (2011)
- SK  $^8\text{B}$  quadratic fit (2016)
- Borexino  $^7\text{Be}$  (2018)
- Borexino pp (2018)
- Borexino pep (2018)
- Borexino  $^8\text{B}$  HER (2018)
- Borexino  $^8\text{B}$  HER I (2018)
- Borexino  $^8\text{B}$  HER II (2018)
- KamLAND  $^7\text{Be}$  (2014)
- Combined Gallium pp (2009)





# Super-/Hyper-Kamiokande (+Gd)

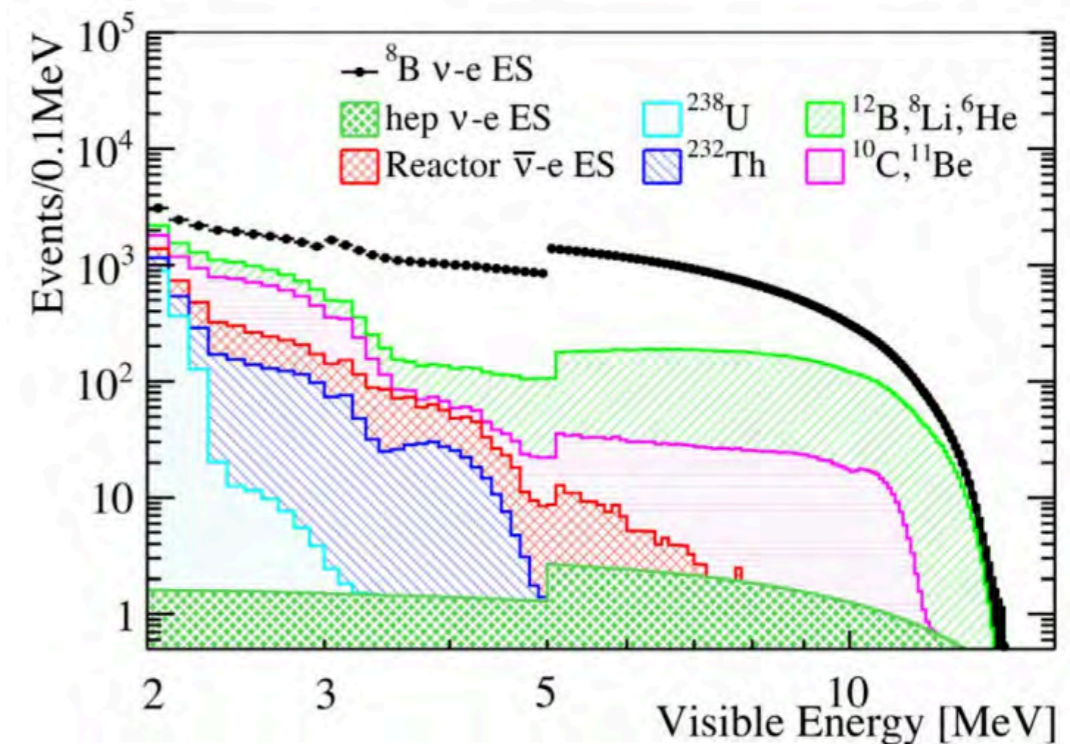
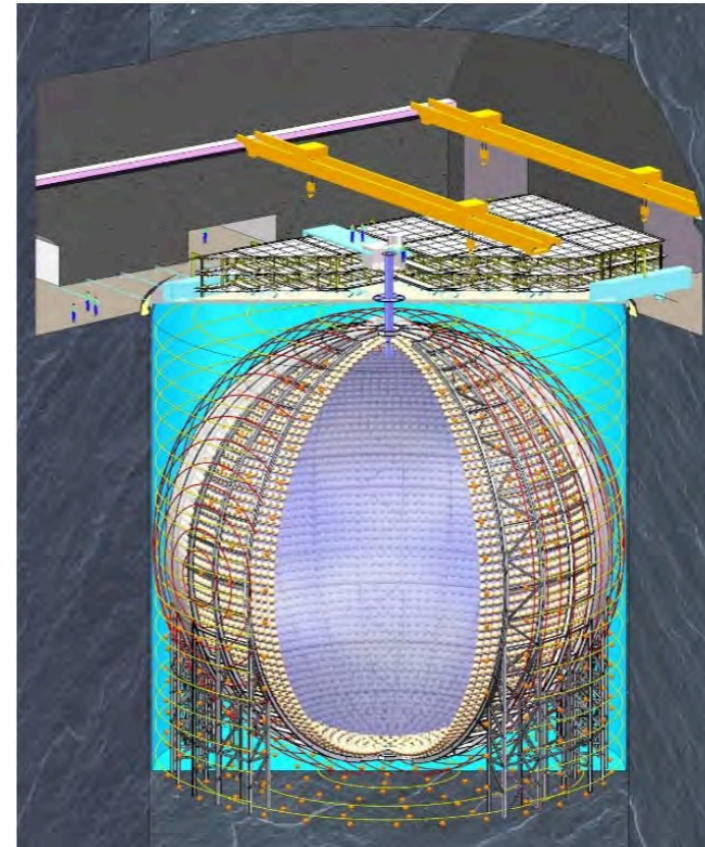
- **Super-K**: first large detector ever to be filled with Gd-H<sub>2</sub>O (0.021% Gd<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub> ~0.01% Gd)
- Enhance neutron capture efficiency
- Transparency observed to be as good as H<sub>2</sub>O phase
- Next phase (0.03%Gd) should allow the first detection of DSNB
- Ongoing measurements of low-energy solar  $\nu$
- **Hyper-K**: >200 kton, 40% coverage
- 4 (8) $\sigma$  sensitivity to day/night effect in 10 years for values currently predicted by reactor (solar) experiments
- 8B spectrum (ES)
- hep neutrino observation





# JUNO

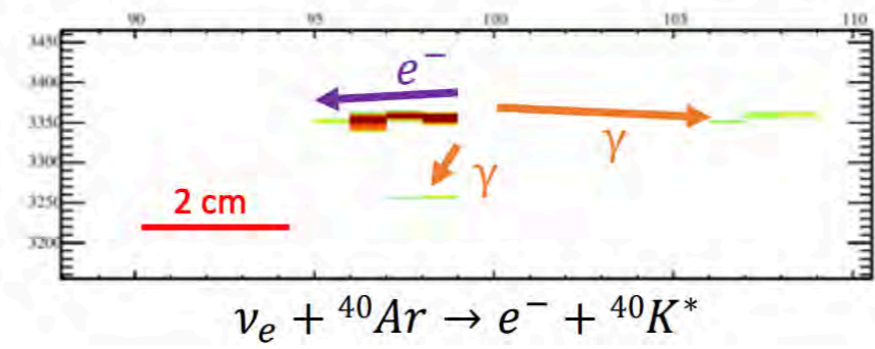
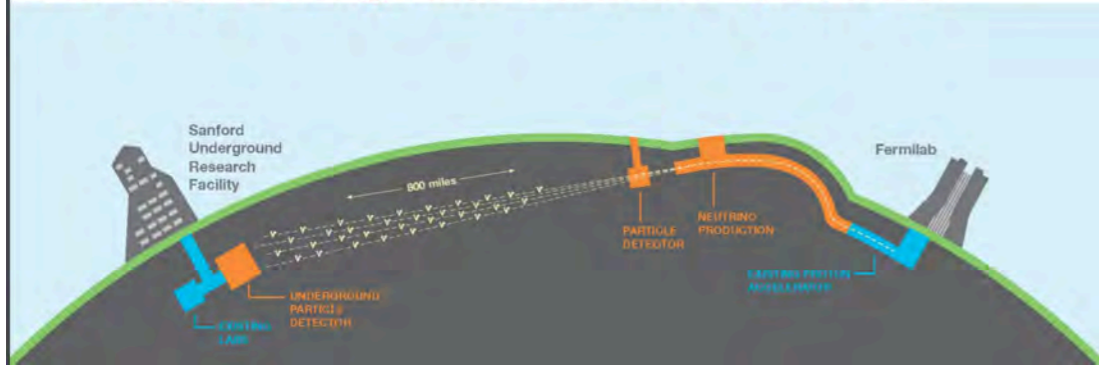
- 20 kton, 3% / MeV resolution
- 0.7 km overburden (Guangdong, China)
- Due to complete construction this year
- Will be the largest LS to-date, with world-leading sensitivity to several oscillation parameters and physics searches
- 2-MeV t/h: sensitivity to probe transition region via low-energy  $^8\text{B}$   $\nu$
- 2-3 $\sigma$  sensitivity to day/night
- Precision measurement of  $\Delta M^2_{21}$





# LAr: DUNE

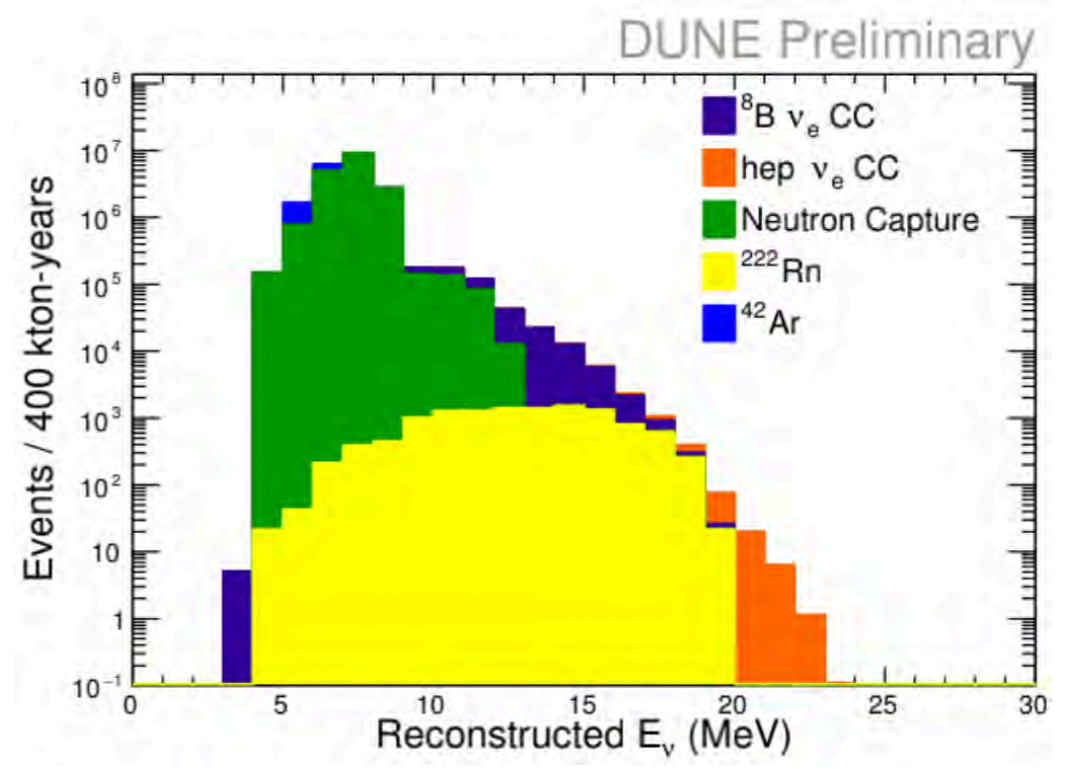
## The Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment



CC dominates signal  
~10MeV e + γ cascade

- Offers CC on Ar, good for precision spectral measurement (day/night);
- Limited by threshold and background
- Novel ideas to leverage phase II upgrades
  - UG-Ar,
  - pixelated detectors,
  - novel readout,
  - Xe doping
  - Hybrid detection (Theia-25)

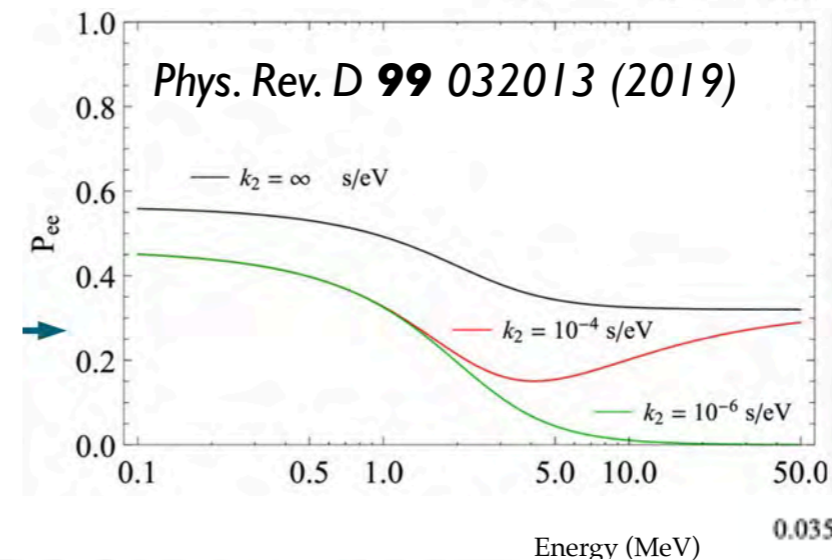
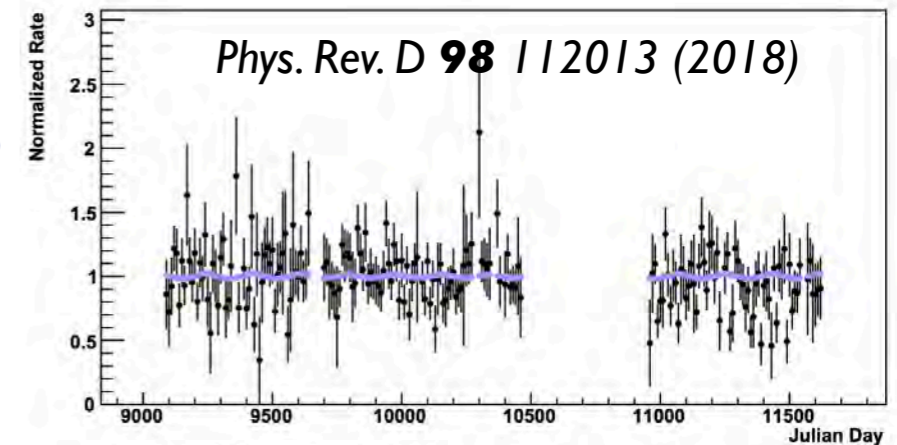
Bkg	Rate
$^{40}\text{Ar}(n,\gamma)$	44 / t-yr
$^{36}\text{Ar}(n,\gamma)$	0.62 / t-yr
$^{40}\text{Ar}(\alpha,\gamma)$	0.051 / t-yr





# Sudbury Neutrino Observatory

- Search for Lorentz violating effects (preferred direction)
- New / improved constraints on 38 / 16 model parameters
- Search for neutrino decay
- Energy-dependent disappearance
- New limit on lifetime  
 $k_2 (= \tau_2/m_2) > 1.92 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s/eV}$  (90% CL)
- Search for hep & DSNB neutrinos
- Final undetected solar  $\nu$  flux
- Probe “glow” from past core-collapse SNe
- Measurements of n production from  $\mu$  and atm  $\nu$



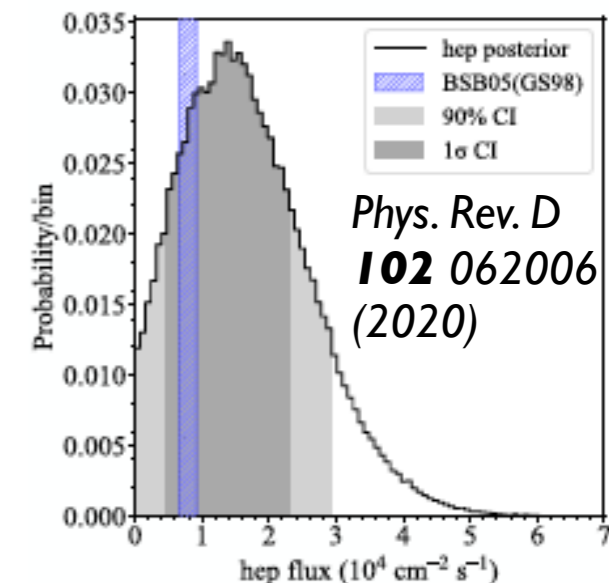
**Bayesian one-sided 90% CI:**

$$\Phi_{\text{DSNB}}^* < 19 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \quad (22.9 < E_\nu < 36.9 \text{ MeV})$$

(\*sensitivity  $\sim 30 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )

**Bayesian 90% CI:**

$$\Phi_{\text{hep}} < 30 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$



Phys. Rev. D **99** 112007 (2019), Phys. Rev. D **100** 112005 (2019)

# SNO+ status

- Completed data taking with water
- LS fill complete, end of March, 2021 (780kg LAB+PPO)
- PPO fill complete: 2.2 g/L
- Largest, deepest operating LS detector
- Ultra-low background
- NLDBD target backgrounds achieved!
- Broad ongoing physics program

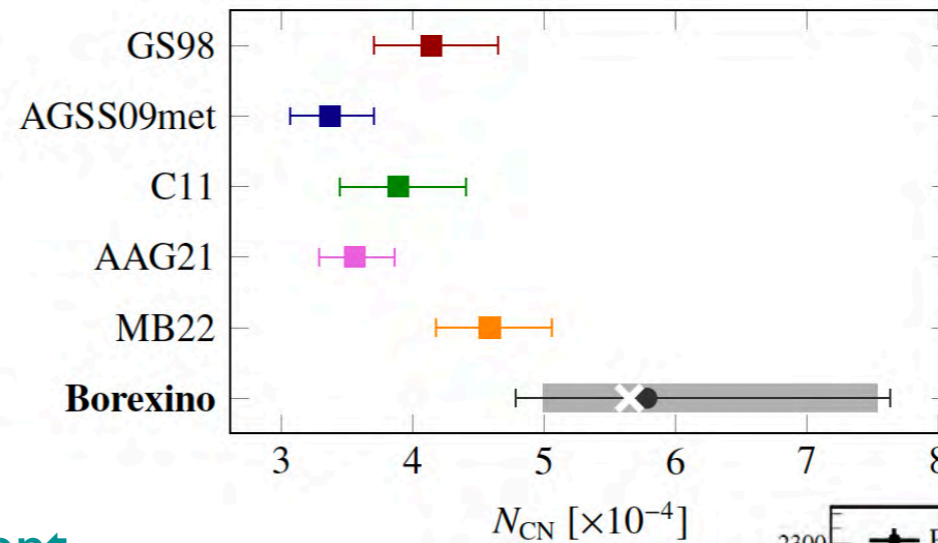
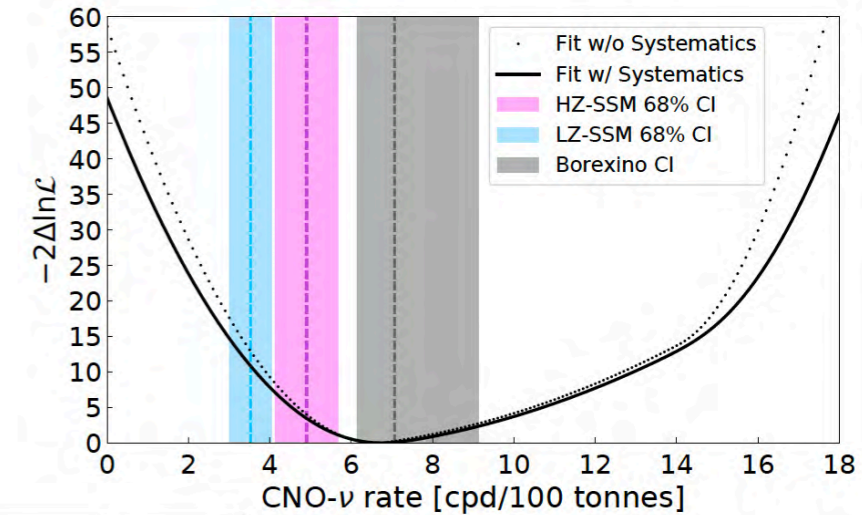
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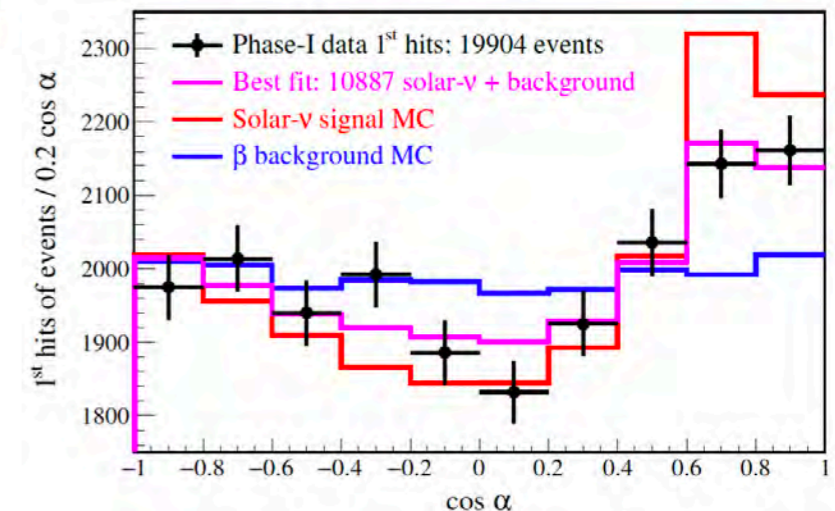


# Borexino

- First measurement of CNO  $\nu$  flux!
  - $^{232}\text{Th}$  and  $^{238}\text{U} \sim 10^{-19}\text{g/g}$ ;  $^{210}\text{Bi}$  events  $\leq 1.5 \pm 1.3$  cpd/100t
  - CNO flux:  $6.6^{+2.0}_{-0.9} \times 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  ( $7\sigma$ )
  - First evaluation of C, N solar abundance using  $\nu$
  - $2\sigma$  tension with low-metallicity measurements
  - Global fit (8B, 7Be) allows to disfavour BI6-AGSS09met (vs BI6-GS98) at  $3.1\sigma$



- Integrated directionality at Borexino:
  - consider earliest photons in the event
  - take angle between early photons and solar direction
  - $6\sigma$  angular excess caused by Cherenkov photons
- Measurement of primarily  $7\text{Be}$   $\nu$  demonstrates **first directional detection of sub-MeV neutrinos**



# Hybrid Detectors

Cherenkov

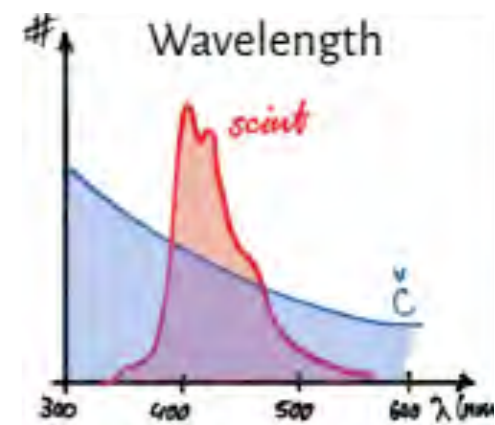
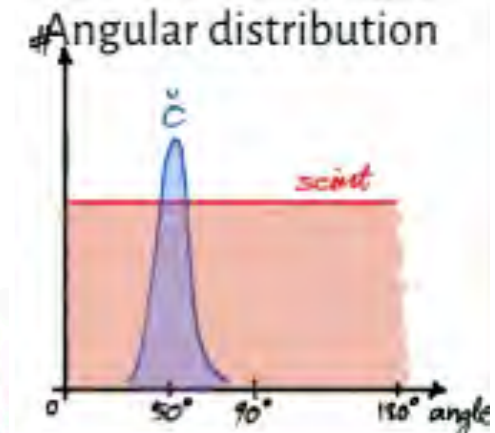
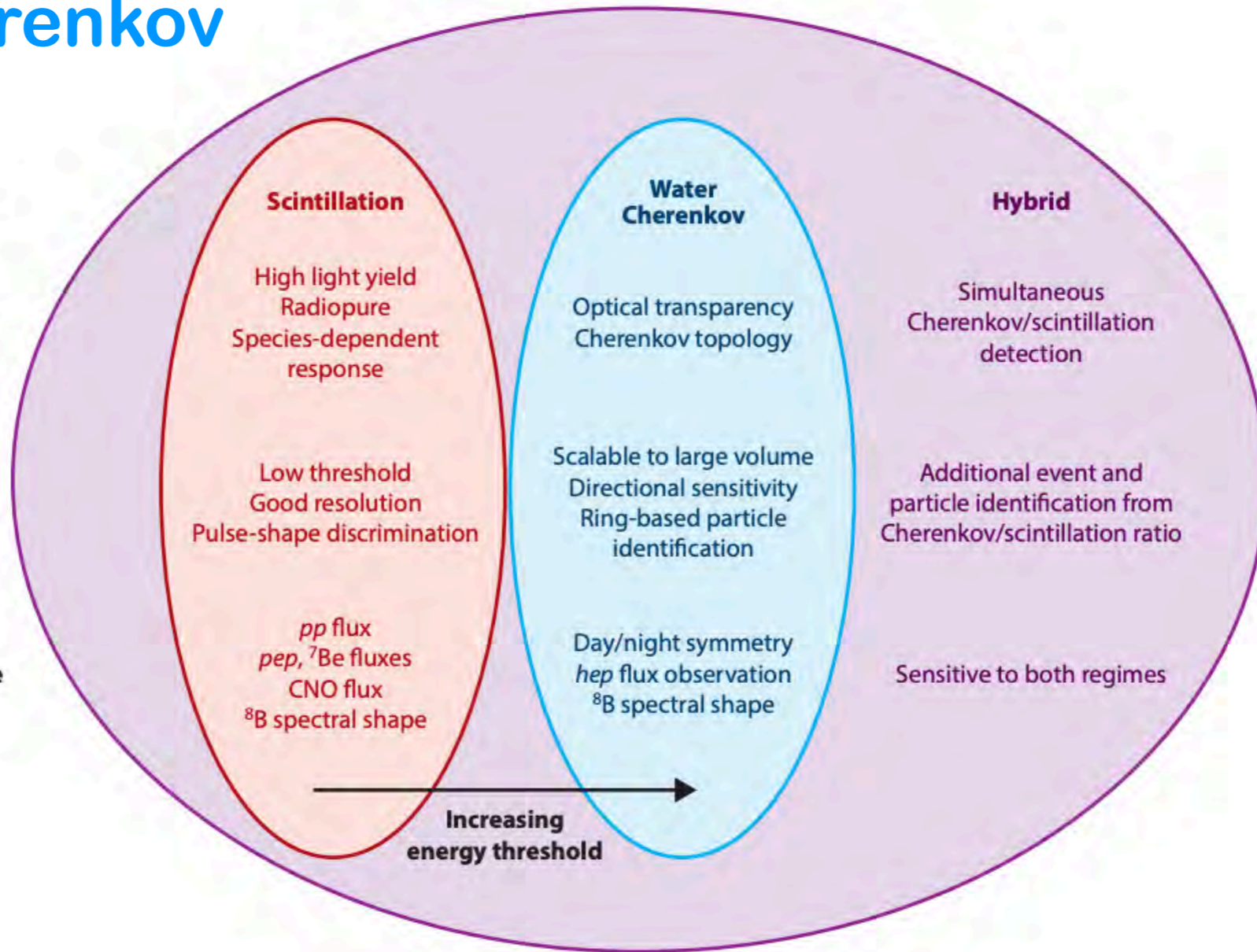


Detector

Target properties

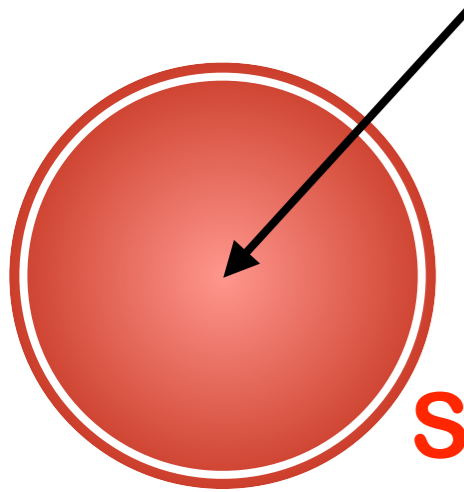
Detector capabilities

Physics scope



Improved background rejection for precision  $\nu$  measurements

Scintillation





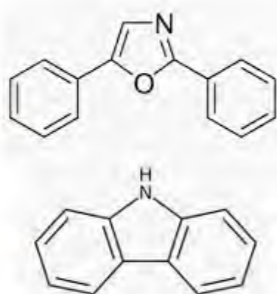
# Detector development

Builds on core (Wb)LS development at BNL (Yeh et al.)

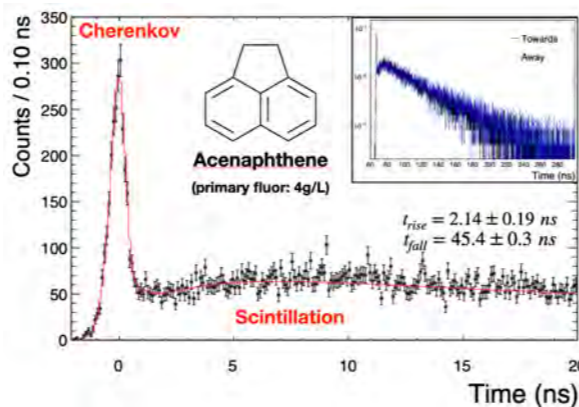
## Engineering WbLS properties: Bourret (LBNL)

Example: slowing down decay time

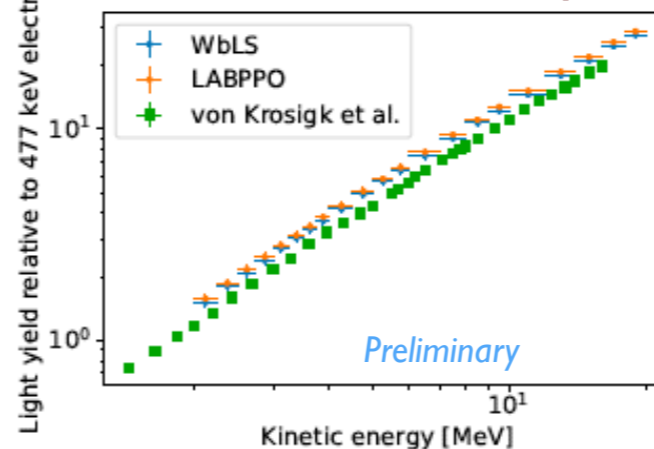
- Standard PPO → 2ns
- New carbazole → 15ns



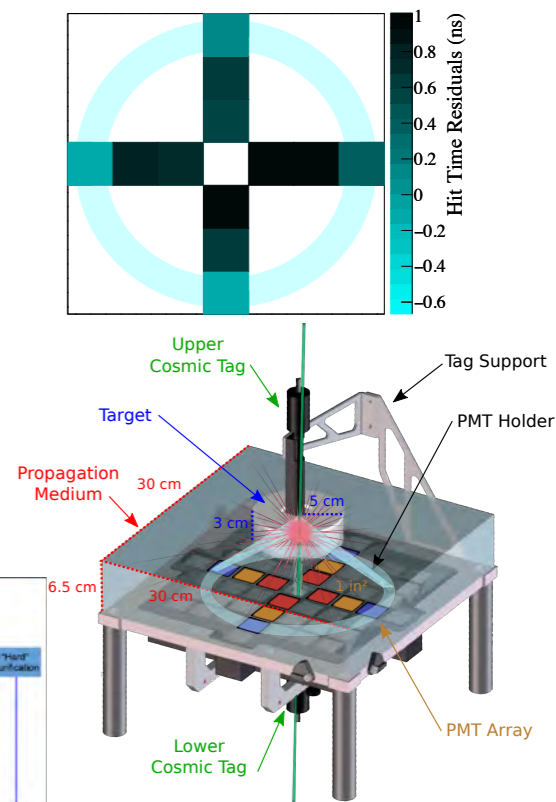
## Slow LS: Oxford, Mainz



## Proton LY: Goldblum (LBNL)



## CHES detector: LBNL



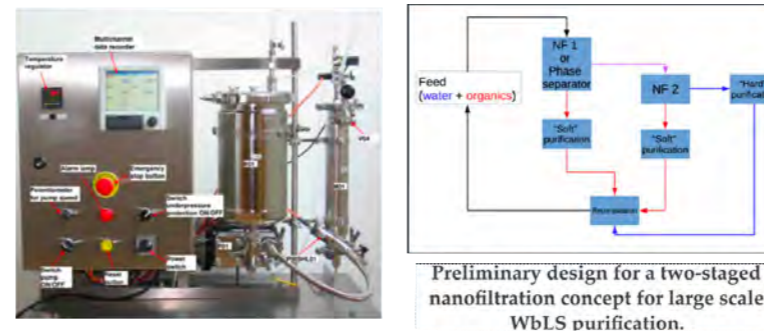
Extensive international effort in Germany (Mainz, Munich), UK, China

Additional work on: slow LS, alternative fluors, alternative surfactants

## Scattering & attenuation: UC Davis, UC Berkeley+LLNL

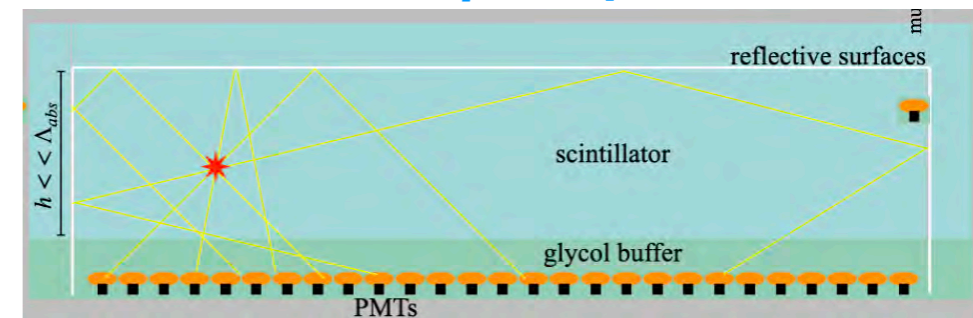


## Nanofiltration: UC Davis

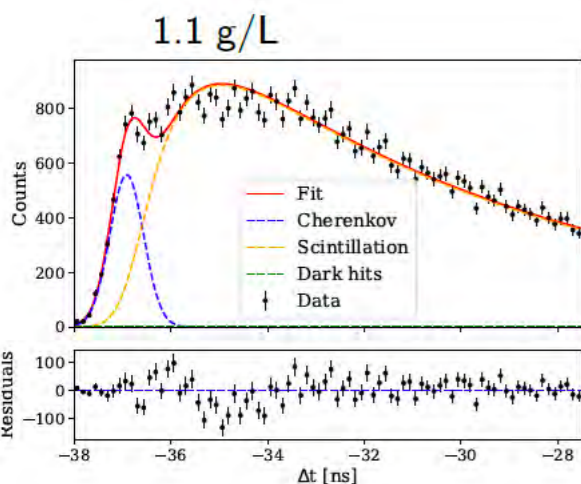


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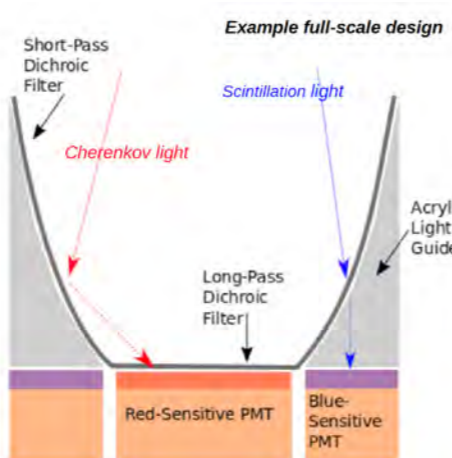
## SLIPS concept: Oxford, UK



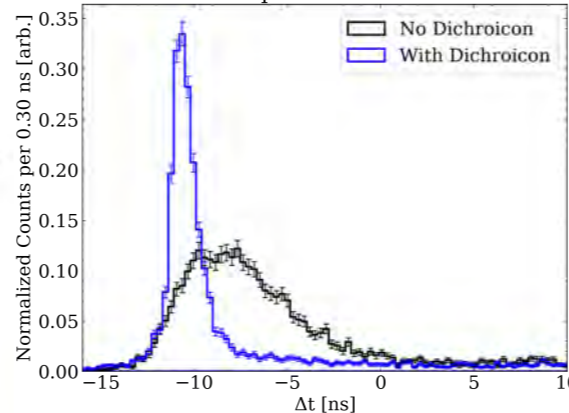
## LAPPDs: ANNIE, CHES



## Dichroicon: Penn, CHES



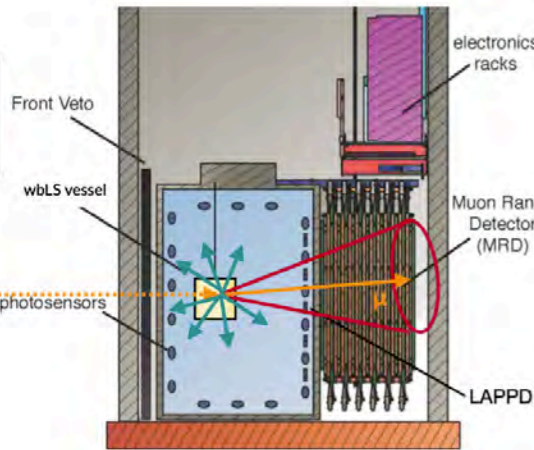
Atmospheric Muons Incident on LABPPO Target Aperture PMT





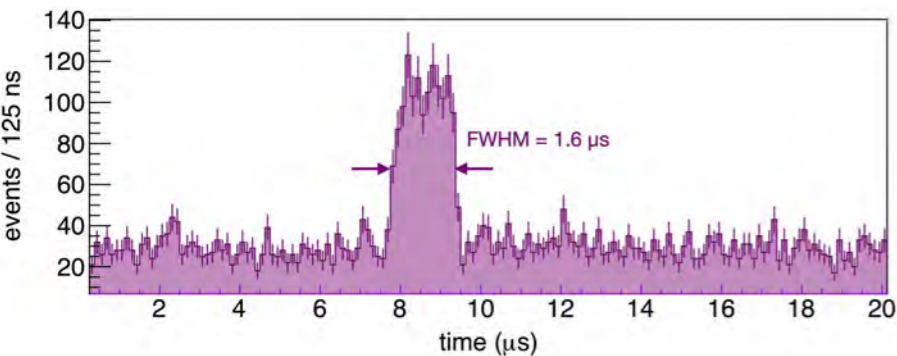
# Prototypes

## ANNIE: WbLS in a $\nu$ beam



365 kg WbLS + LAPPDs  
Ch/S separation  
High- and low-energy events

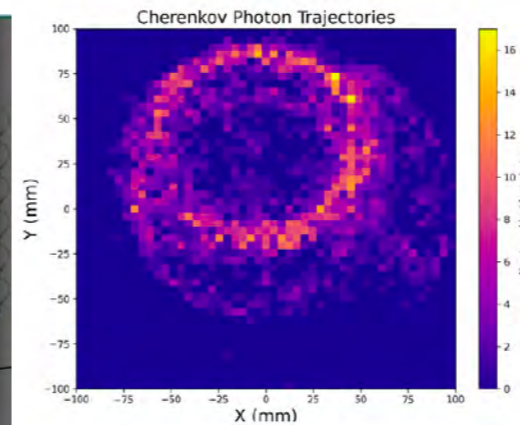
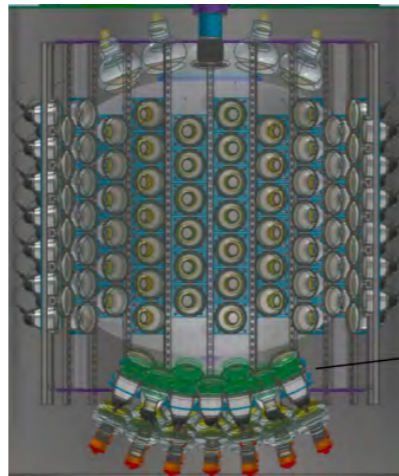
### First neutrinos detected with an LAPPD!



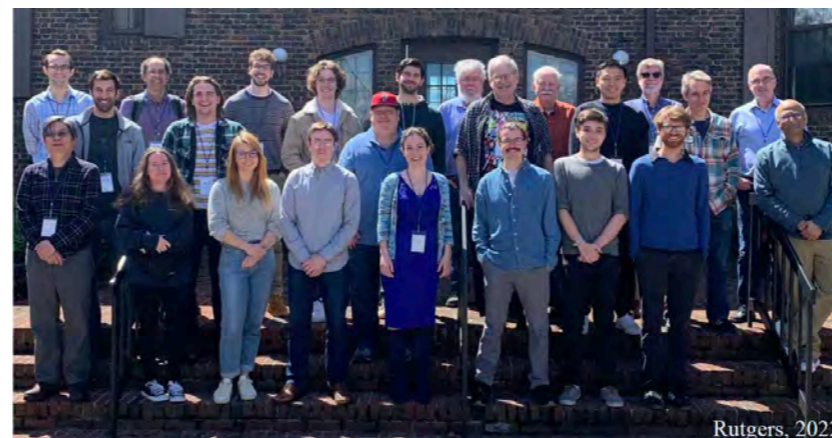
**NuDot:**  
LS + isotope for  
2vbb event  
reconstruction  
Ton scale  
Highly  
instrumented



## EoS: Low-energy event reconstruction and model validation



- 4-ton target mass
- 200 8-” PMTs
- Dichroicon deployment for spectral sorting
- Vertex, energy, direction, PID



## BNL: 1- and 30-ton



- First ton-scale deployment
- Optical transparency in an operating detector
- Optical stability over time
- Recirculation of WbLS (nanofiltration)

