

Dark Matter and Dark Sector 2: Detection



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Recap: lecture 1

- We have much astrophysical evidence that dark matter exists
- We do not know what it is, but we know what properties it must have and none of the SM particles fit the profile
- We know that:
 1. It must be stable
 2. Non relativistic
 3. Must not interact via SM charges
- Many possibilities of what DM could be
- Very well motivated possibility called WIMP

This lecture we will talk about how to detect dark matter

Late 1970s - Vera Rubin



Image: Carnegie Institute for Science

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}}$$

First scientist to measure star speeds with very high accuracy

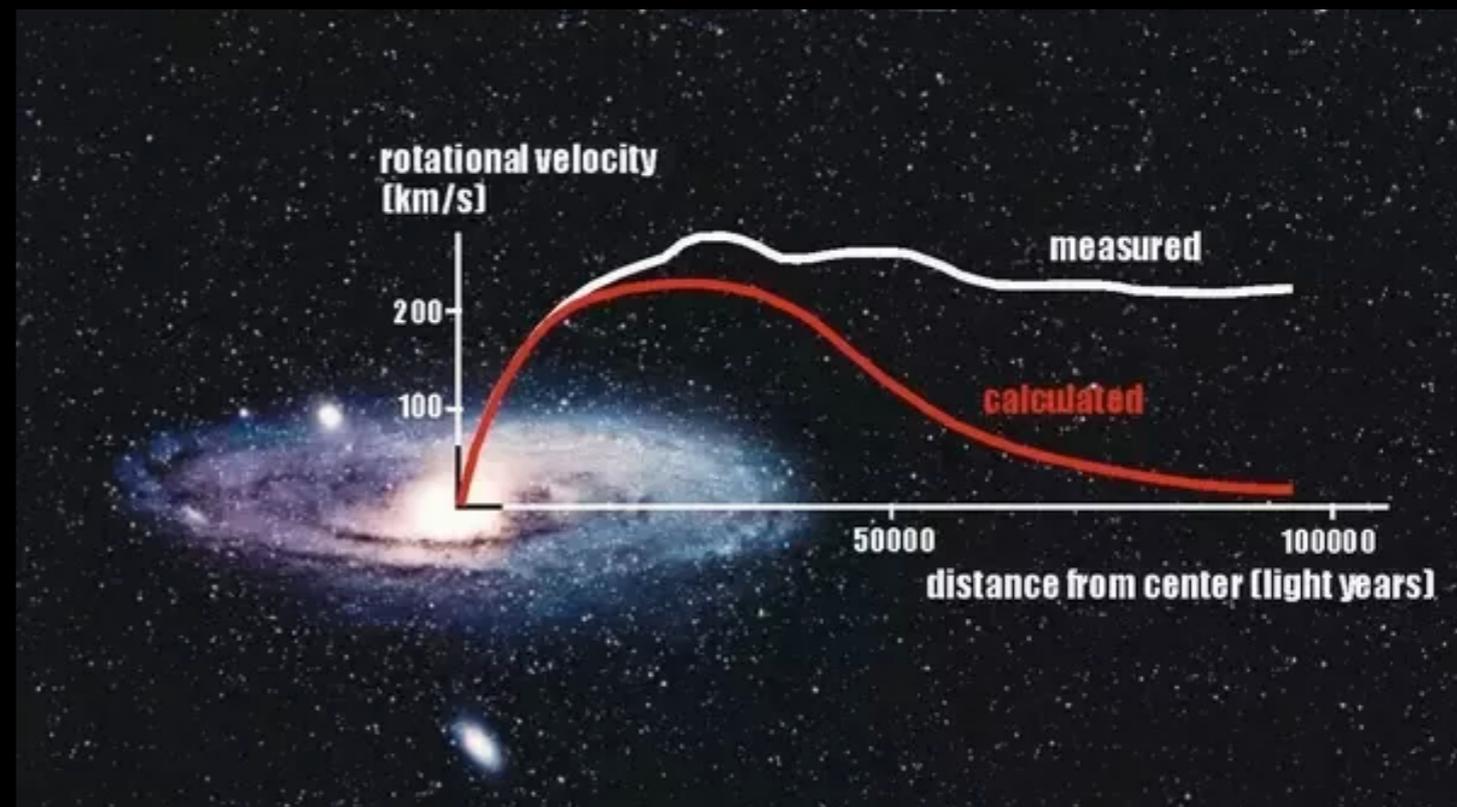
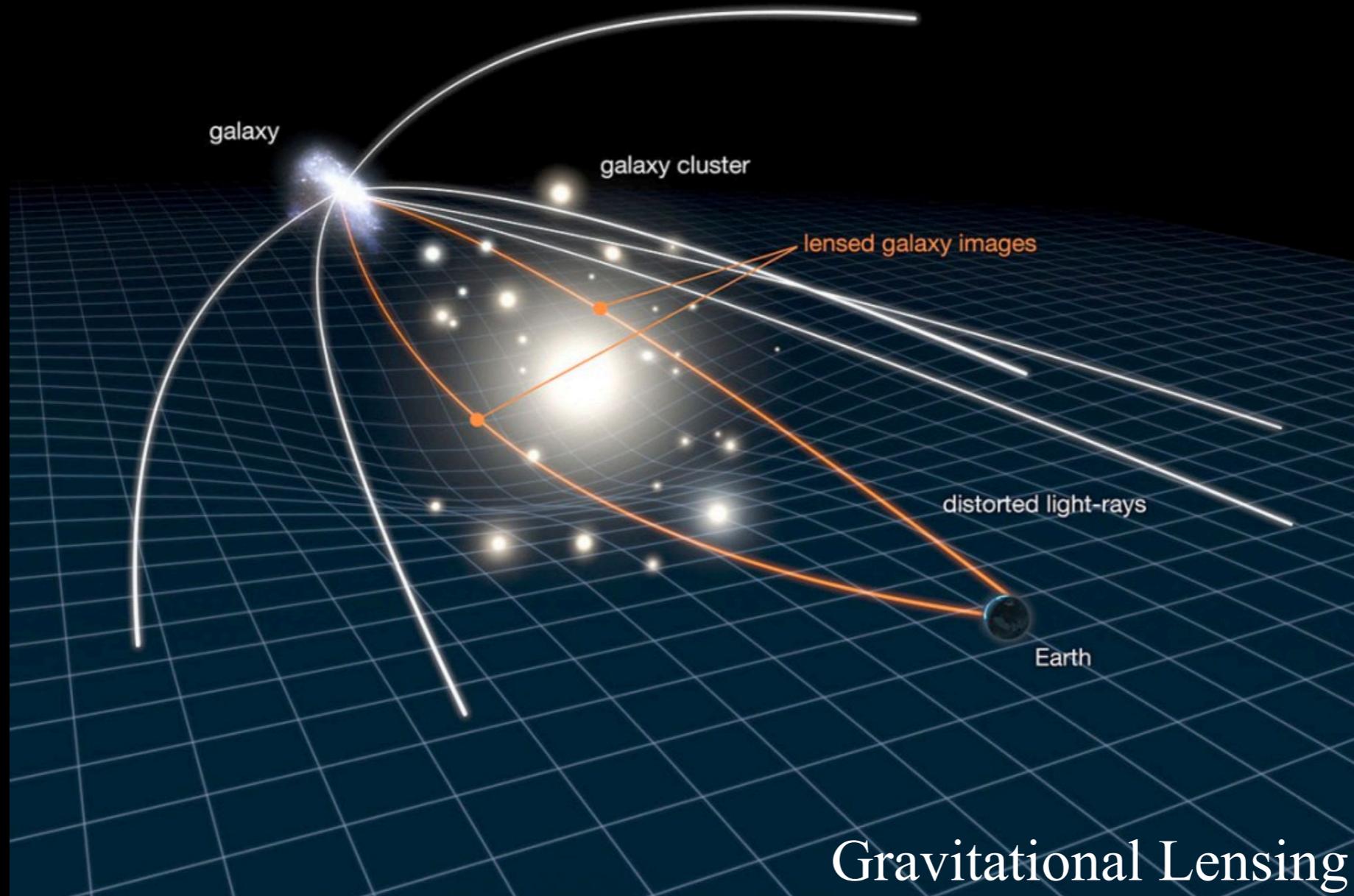


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Lets look at scales larger than galaxies

Again, lets imagine the galaxy cluster is invisible



We still see this bending of light

What do galaxy clusters tell us about DM?

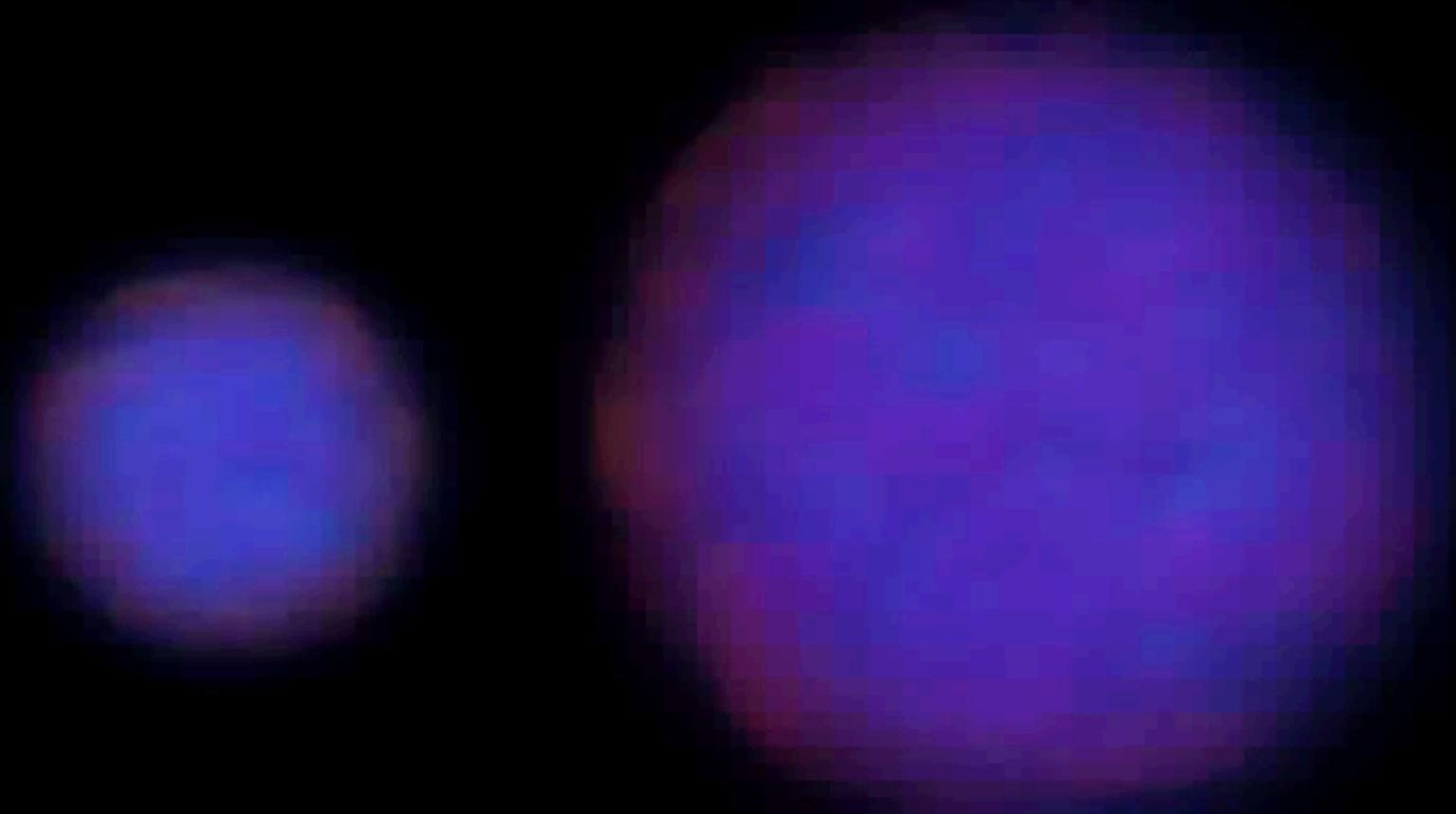


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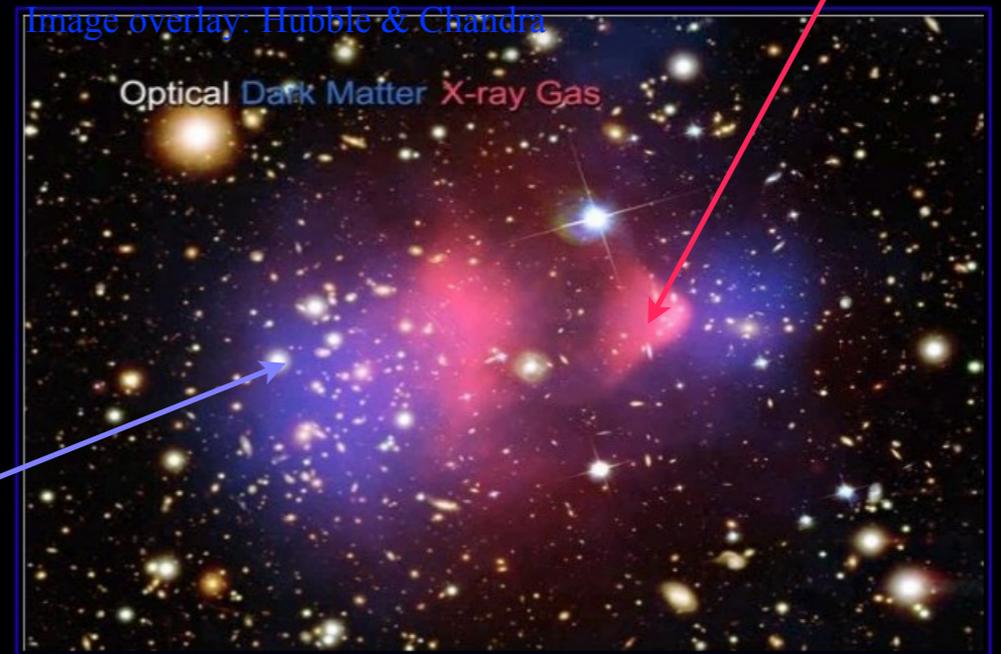


Image overlay: Hubble & Chandra

Dark Matter
Gravitational
Lens

Visible
Matter

DARK MATTER

Most of the universe can't even be bothered to interact with you.

Image: yumpu.com

What do cosmological observations tell us?

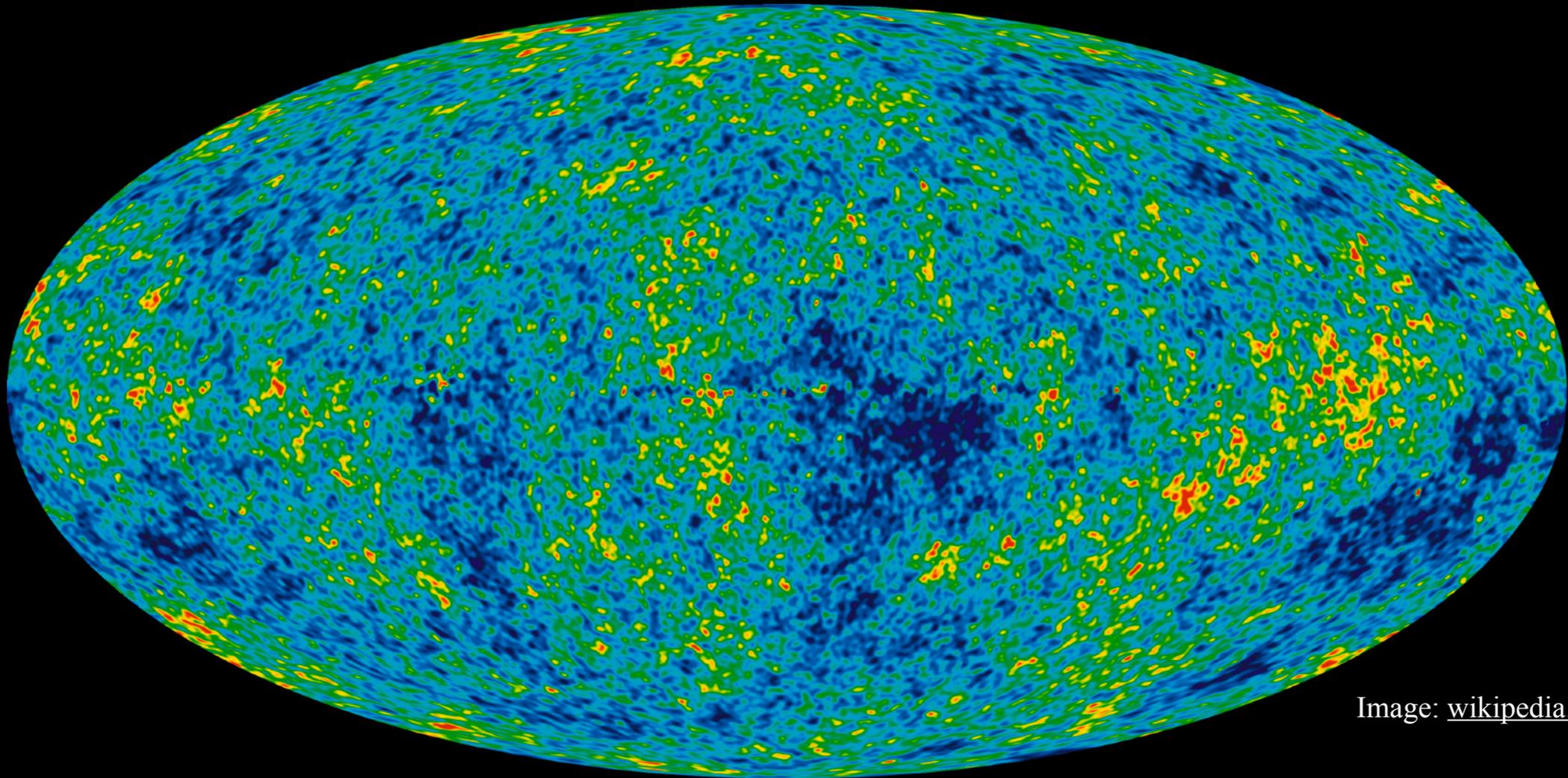


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Epoch of recombination

- Neutral atoms were formed, photons could move freely since they were no longer locked to charged particles
- These free moving photons reach us today

What do cosmological observations tell us?

CMB Power Spectrum -
gives cosmologists a way to mathematically understand fluctuations

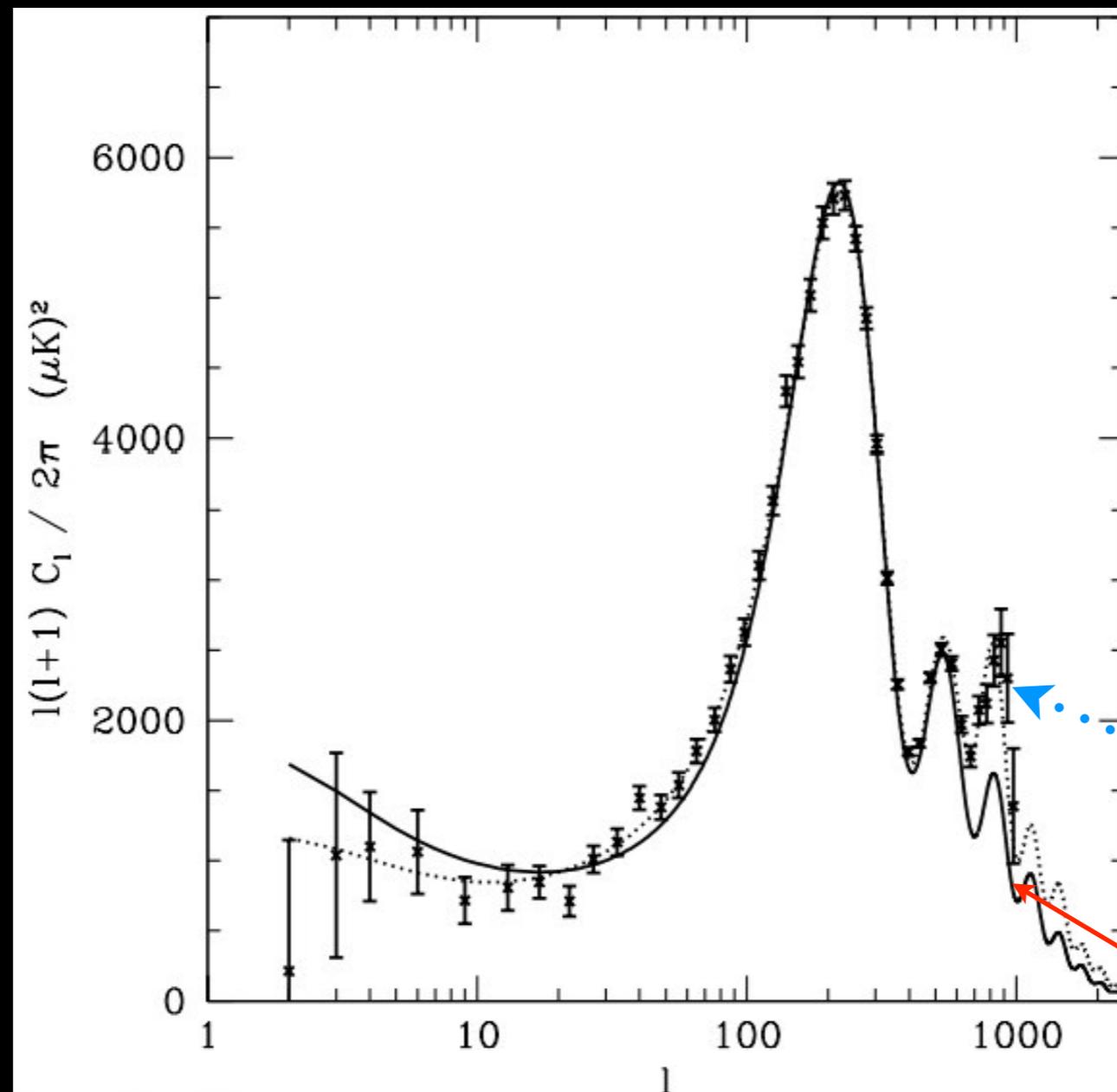


Image: Sean Carroll

Dark Matter

MOND -
Modification of Gravity

Evidence shows dark matter exists at largest scales

What is Dark Matter made of?

We simply have no idea.

We DO know:

- It must be cold (non-relativistic) at the time of structure formation
- It must be super long-lived or completely stable
- It must be some new state lying beyond the SM

Non-EM interacting

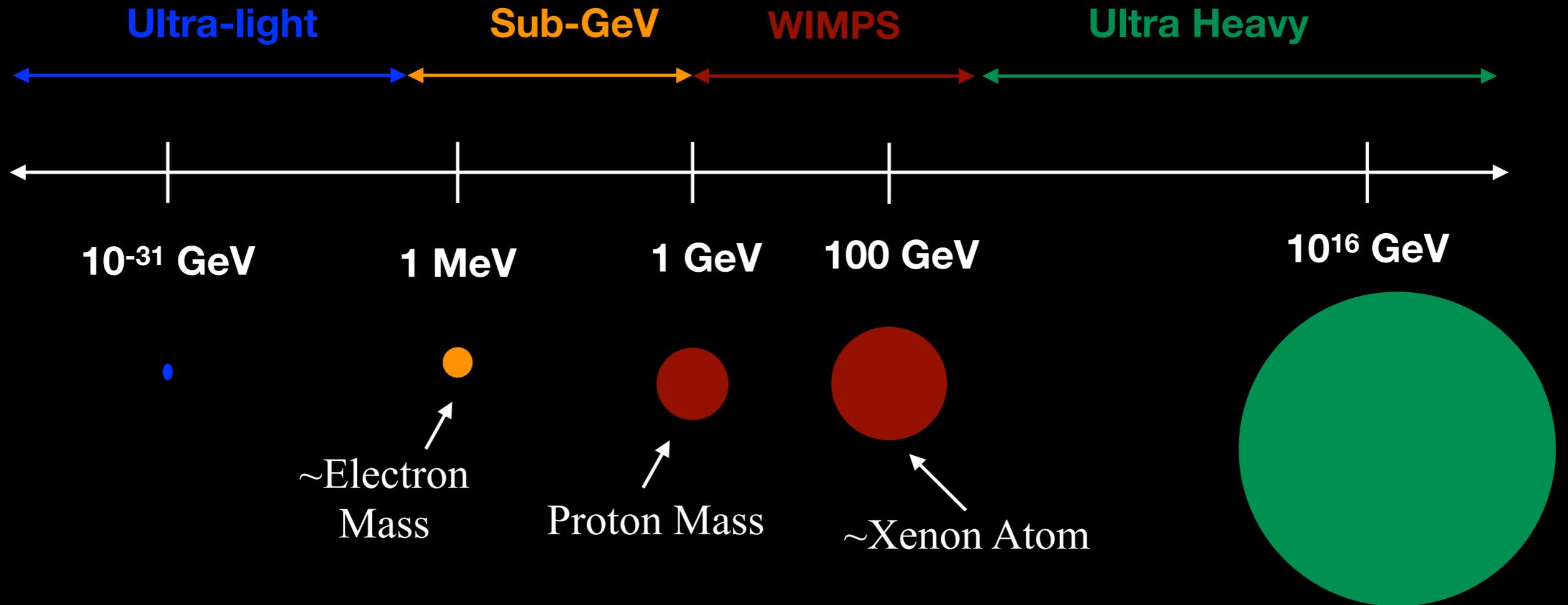
Non-QCD interacting

Dark Matter should be described by a quantum field corresponding to a definite spin, uncharged under $U(1)_{EM}$ or $SU(3)_C$.

(So: no tree-level interactions with gluons or photons).

- It **may** interact with the SM through some new force

Range of possibilities is VAST



Primordial Blackholes - much heavier than Ultra heavy

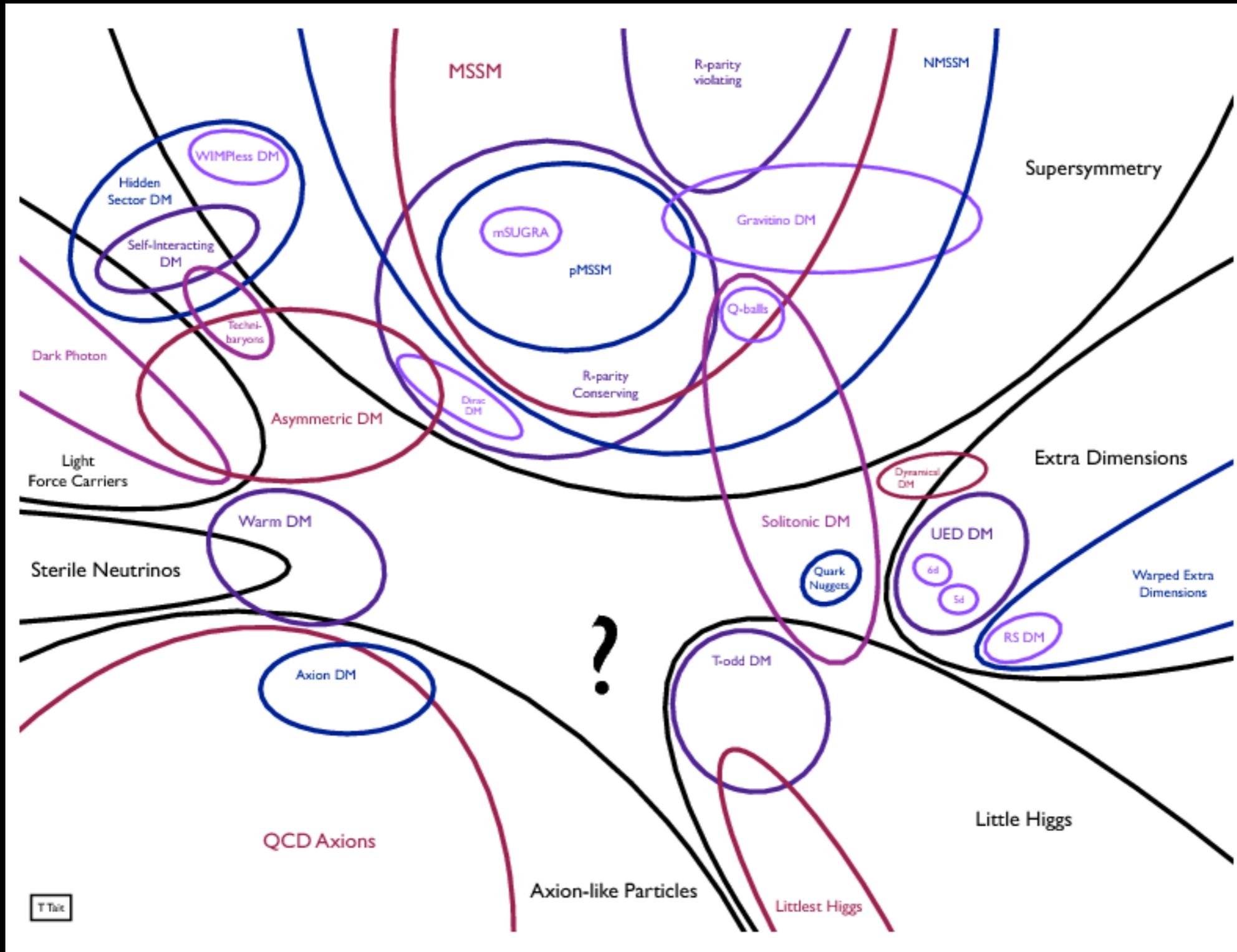
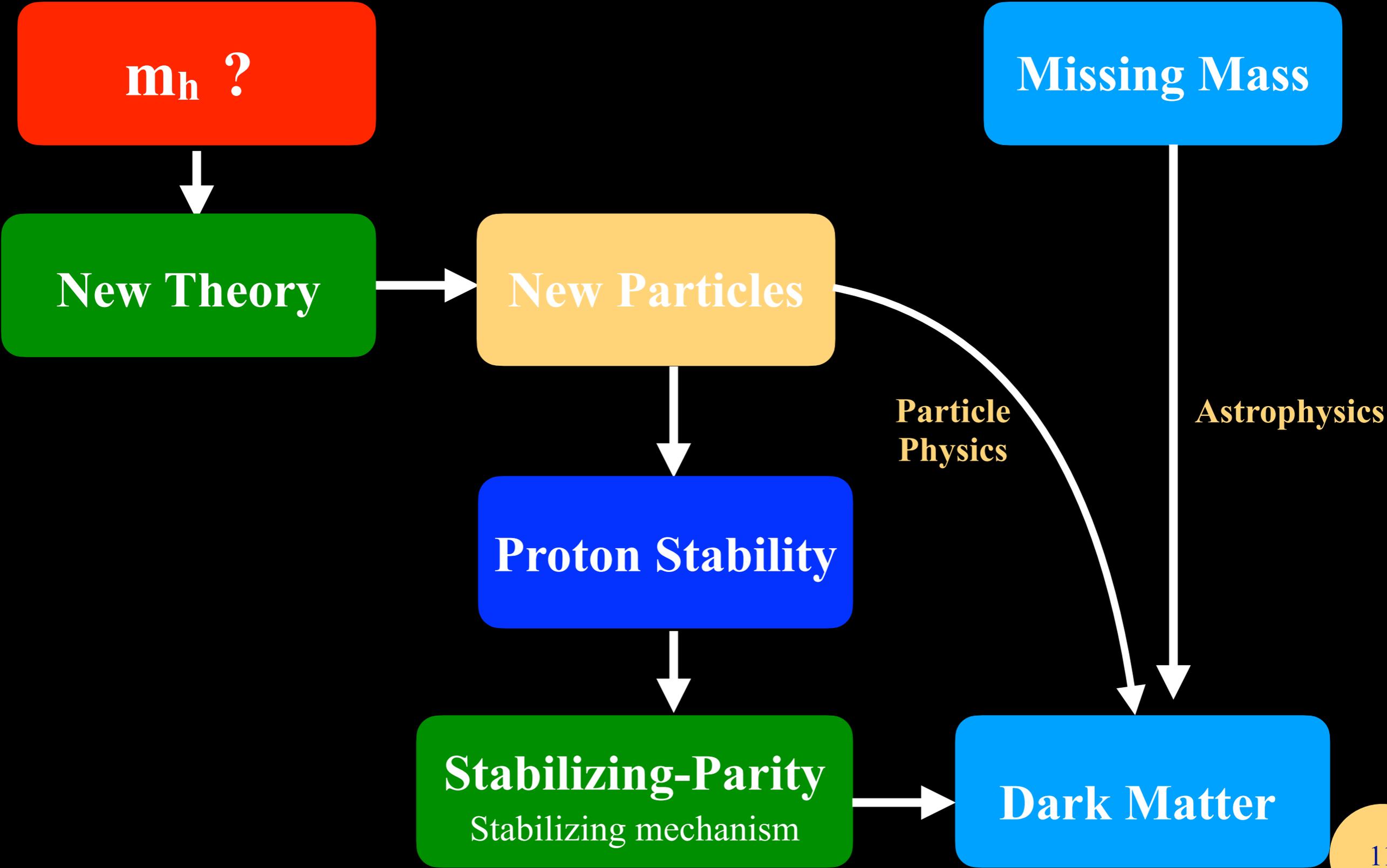


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Solutions of hierarchy problem



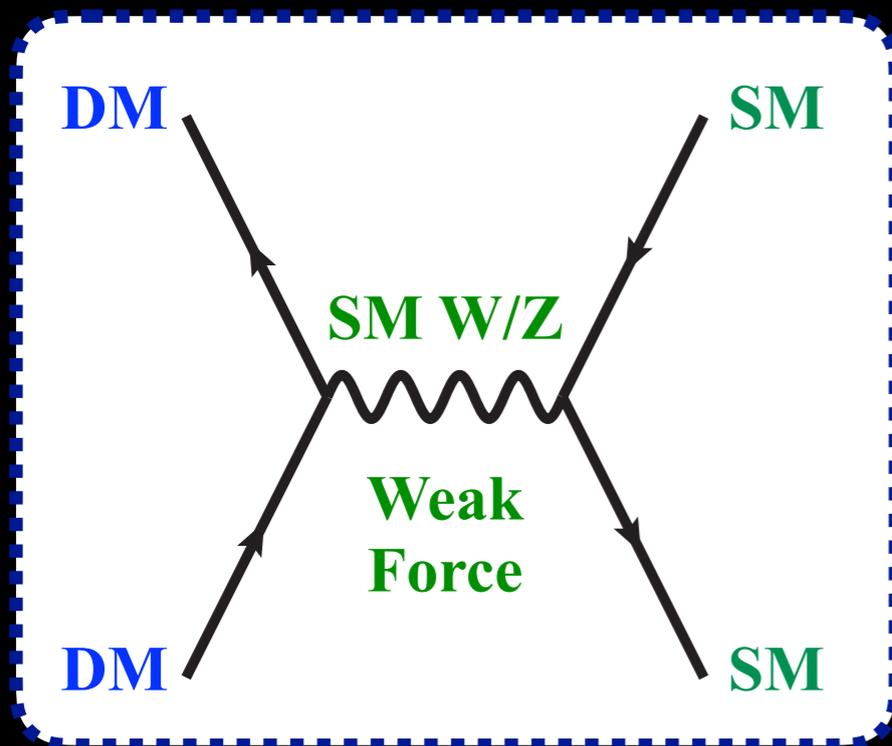
Solving the Hierarchy problem resulted in a perfect class of dark matter candidates called

Weakly-Interacting Massive Particles

“Electroweak” interactions (W^\pm, Z, h)

“weak-scale” mass
1 - 10 000 GeV

Explains: Why so much dark matter around



Dark matter annihilation

Observed **amount of dark matter** today

‘Relic Density’

$$\Omega h^2 \sim \frac{0.1 \text{ pb}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle}$$

Weak scale annihilation rate

In this lecture we will cover

1. How is dark matter produced in the early universe?

How do we get its relic abundance?

2. How do we search for it today?

In the sky (Indirect detection)

In accelerator experiments

Underground (Direct detection)

Relic density of dark matter

Expansion rate of the universe described by Hubble rate $H(z)$

In the standard model of cosmology called Lambda Cold Dark Matter (Λ CDM), Hubble rate is

$$H(z) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_{rad} (1+z)^4 + \Omega_\Lambda}$$

Redshift- gives us an idea
of cosmological time

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Hubble constant - standard constant to quantify universe expansion

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Total matter in the universe -
includes SM and dark matter

$$\Omega_m = \Omega_c + \Omega_b$$

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Total amount of radiation in the universe - relativistic free particles like photons, neutrinos

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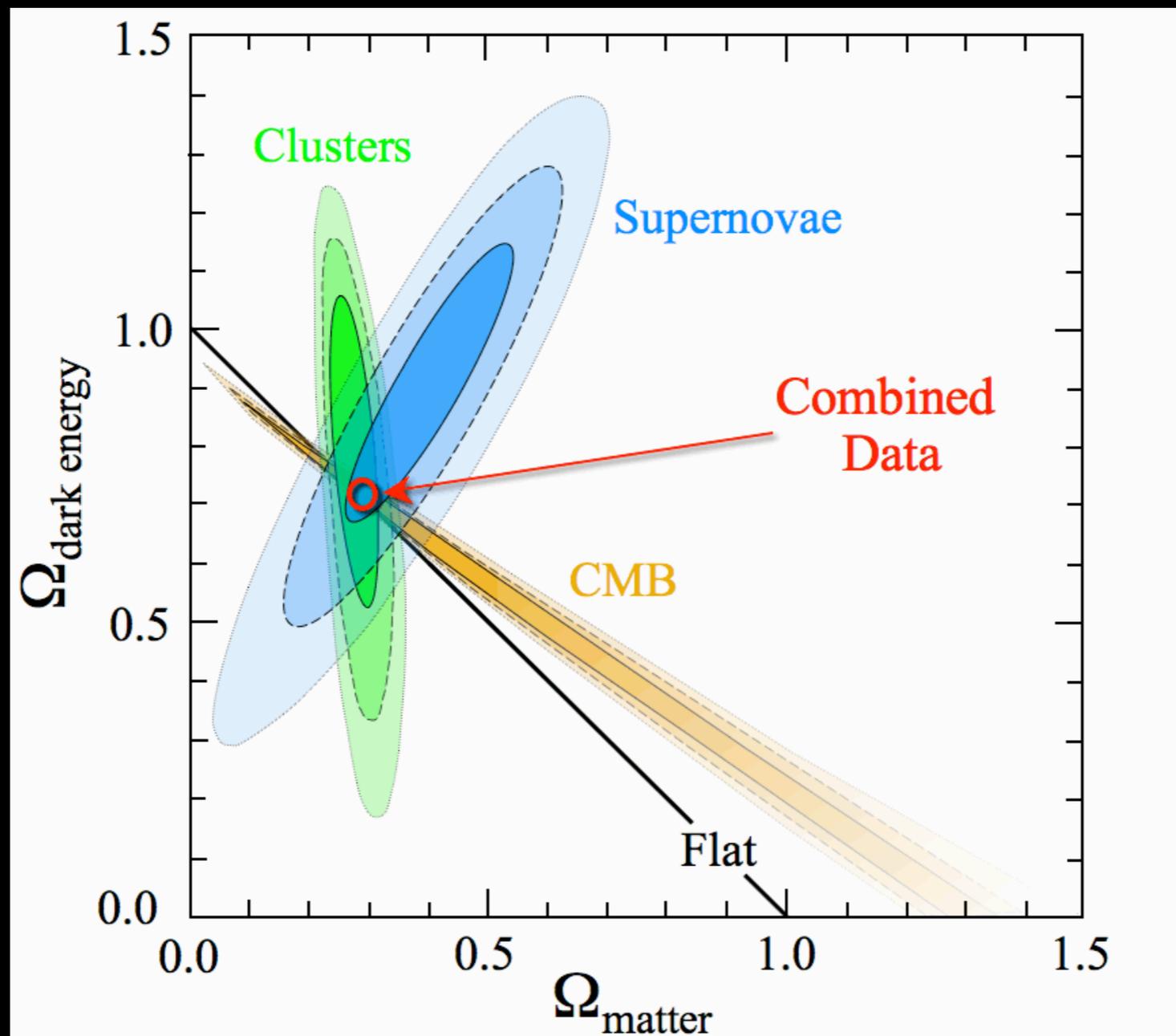
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**Dark energy density -
phenomenon making
universe expand**



Relic density of dark matter

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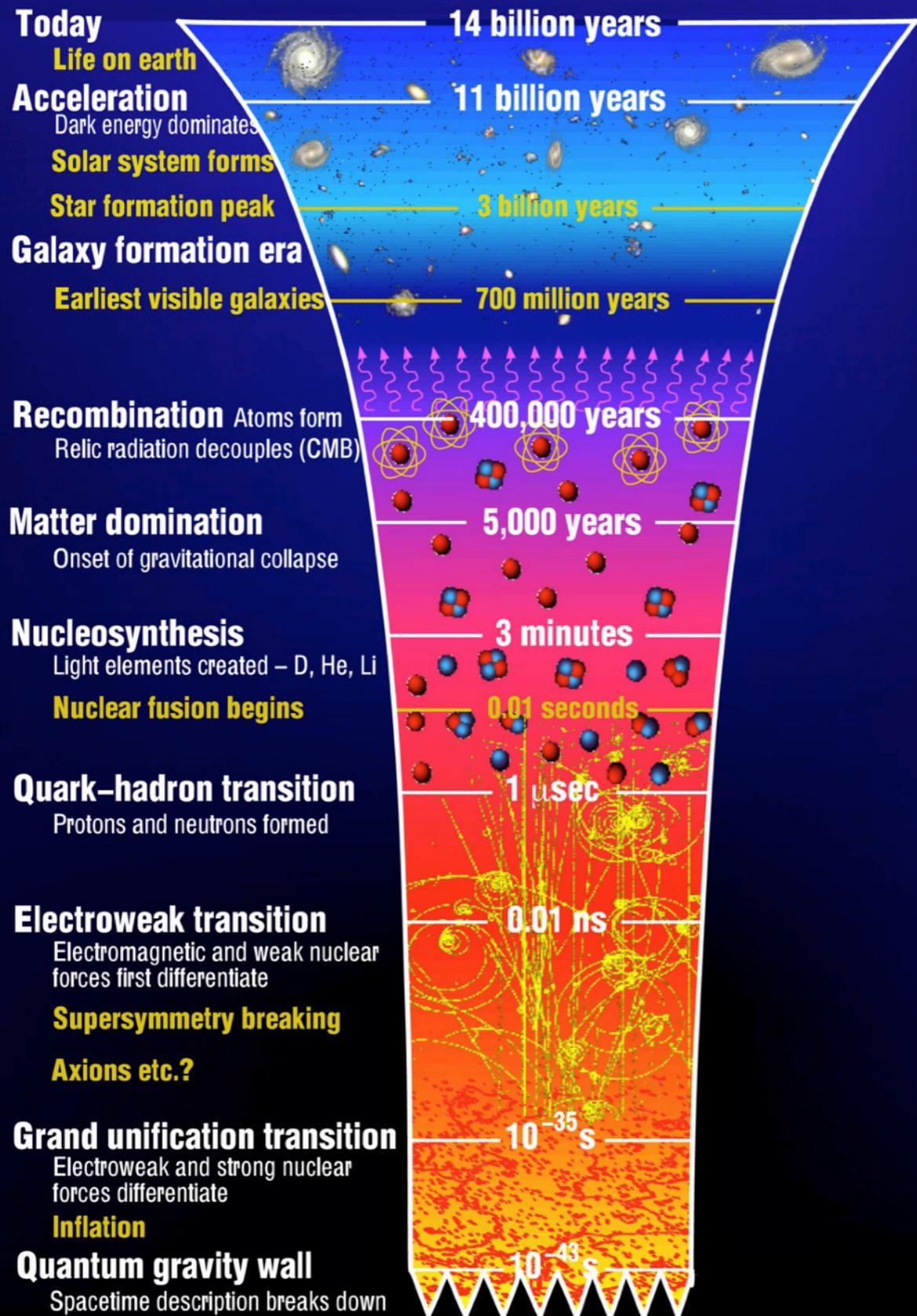
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Parameter	TT+lowP+lensing 68% limits	TT,TE,EE+lowP+lensing+ext 68% limits
n_s	0.9677 ± 0.0060	0.9667 ± 0.0040
H_0	67.81 ± 0.92	67.74 ± 0.46
Ω_Λ	0.692 ± 0.012	0.6911 ± 0.0062
Ω_m	0.308 ± 0.012	0.3089 ± 0.0062
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.02226 ± 0.00023	0.02230 ± 0.00014
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.1186 ± 0.0020	0.1188 ± 0.0010
σ_8	0.8149 ± 0.0093	0.8159 ± 0.0086
z_{re}	$8.8^{+1.7}_{-1.4}$	$8.8^{+1.2}_{-1.1}$
Age/Gyr	13.799 ± 0.038	13.799 ± 0.021

Dark matter relic density from cosmological data

What is Relic density?



- Amount of dark matter left over today from the hot dense plasma after Universe expands and cools

- Amount of DM referred to as **relic** - i.e. relic of the early universe

- **Relic density** can also tell us how **DM** was produced in early universe

Why is Relic Density Important?

Any method of DM production in early Universe must match cosmological measurements of relic density

Any theory predicting that dark matter is produced via a certain method, must match relic density from cosmological observations

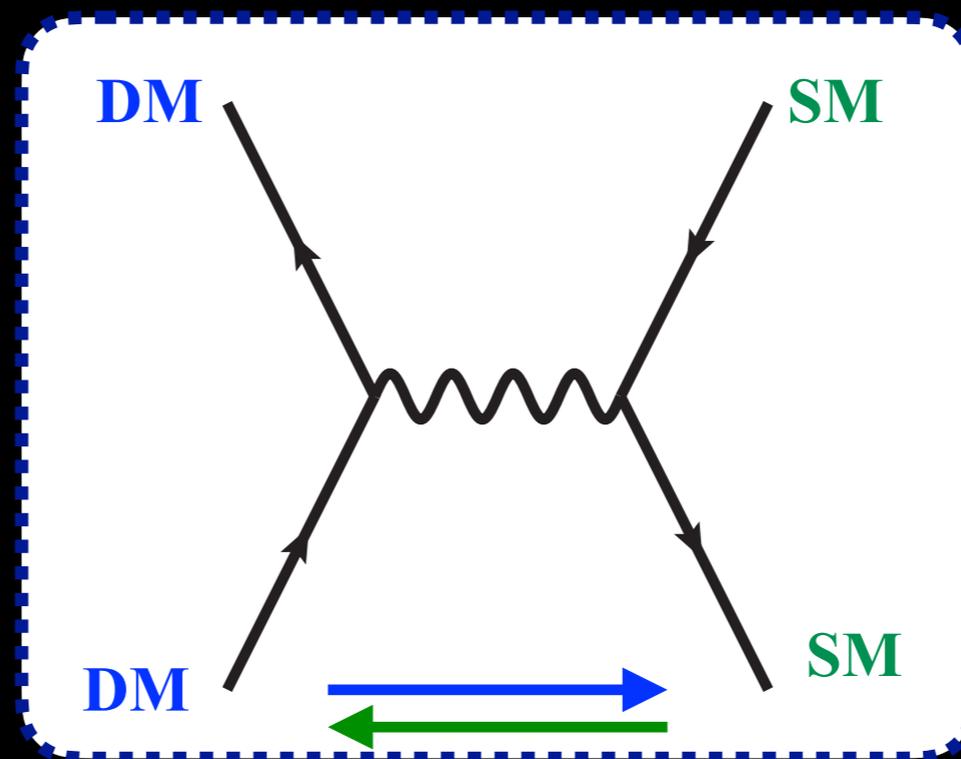
$$\Omega_c h^2 \sim 0.12$$

This is important because it allows the identification of theory parameter space that is interesting and predictive, giving us a clue where to start searching for dark matter

Dark matter production in the early universe

e.g. Thermal Freeze-out

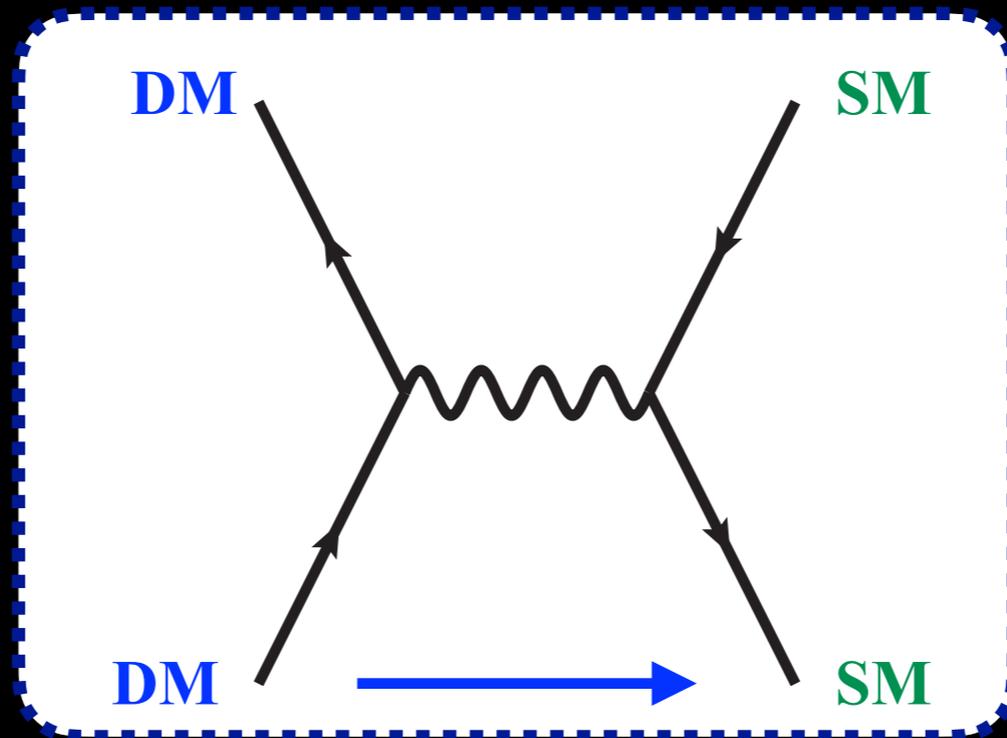
- After big bang, universe is in hot dense plasma of dark sector & SM particles. Plasma is hot enough that



DM and SM are in **thermal equilibrium**

i.e. both particles can be explained by one common temperature

- As universe expands and cools SM cannot convert to DM anymore, only forward process occurs



- As universe keeps expanding, two DM particles cannot find each other to annihilate into SM particle
- **Dark matter has now frozen out and relic number density is set**

Evolution of dark matter number density as Universe expands is given by **Boltzmann equation**

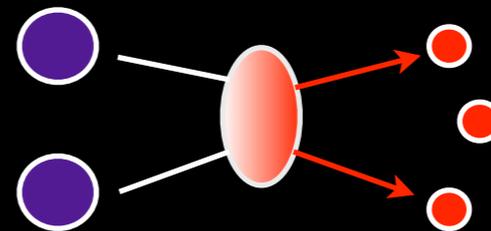
Dark matter
number density

$$\frac{dn_{\chi}}{dt} + 3Hn_{\chi} = - \langle \sigma v \rangle [n_{\chi}^2 - (n_{\chi}^{eq})^2]$$

Hubble Friction

Annihilation

$$H \sim g_* \frac{T^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}}$$



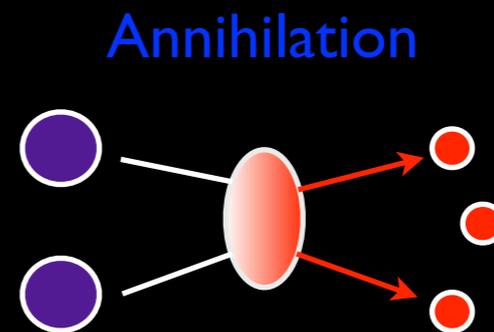
Describes DM number
as universe expands

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Particles physics enters here

Thermally averaged annihilation cross-section: probability that two DM particles traveling in some velocity distribution will find each other and annihilate into SM particles.

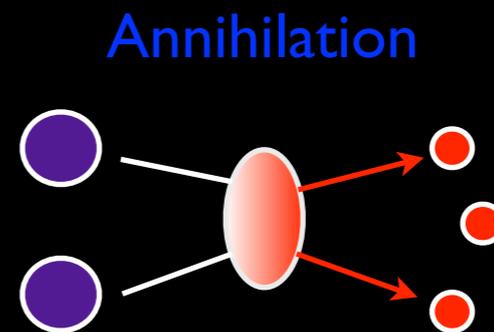
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DM number density at equilibrium, given by

$$n_\chi^{eq} = g \left(\frac{mT}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} e^{-m/T}$$

Rewrite **Boltzmann equation** as

$$\frac{dY}{dx} = -\frac{x \langle \sigma v \rangle s}{H(m)} (Y^2 - Y_{eq}^2)$$

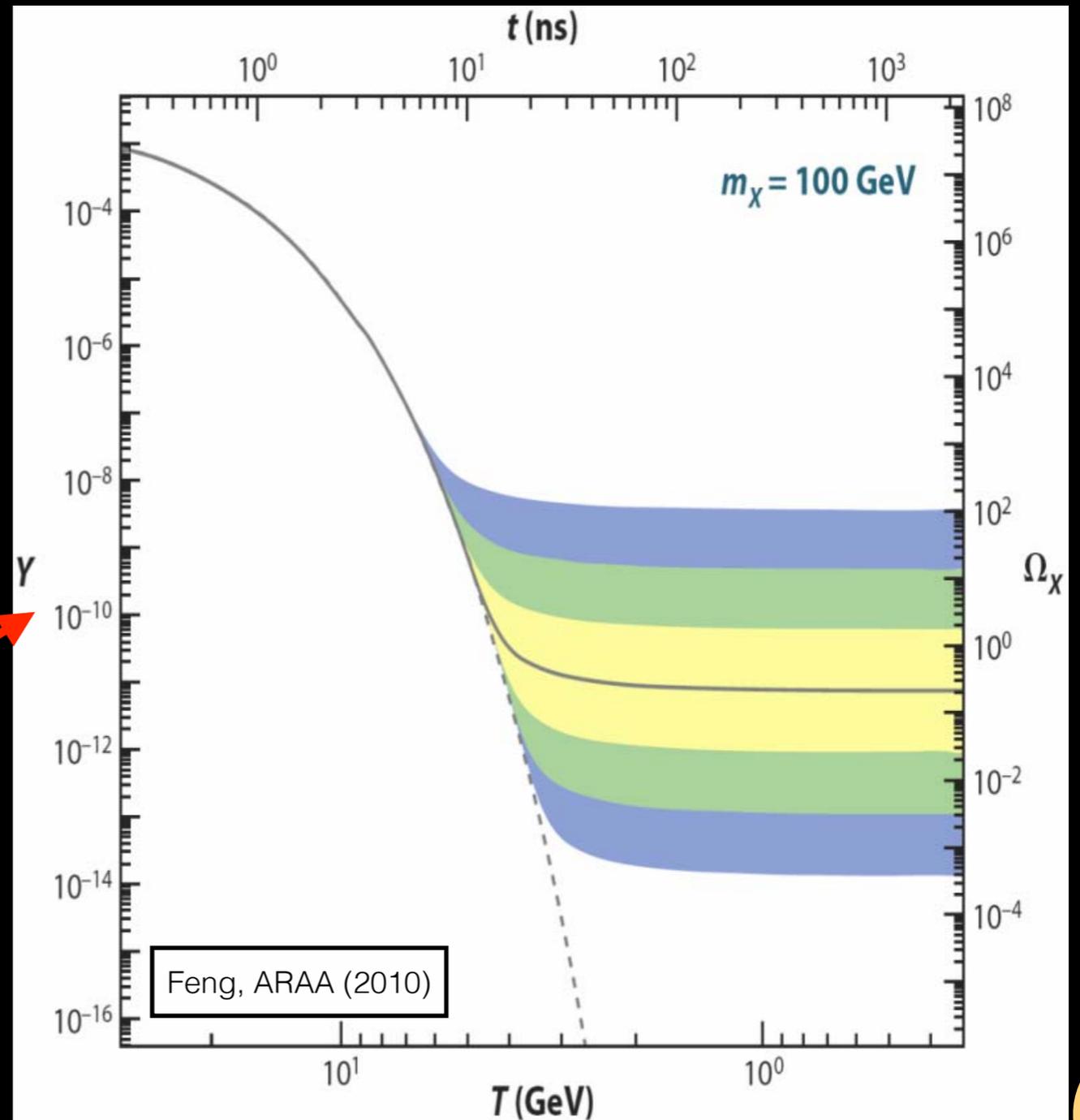
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number density is $Y = \frac{n_\chi}{s}$

temperature of the universe

$$x = \frac{m}{T}$$

Solution of Boltzmann equation

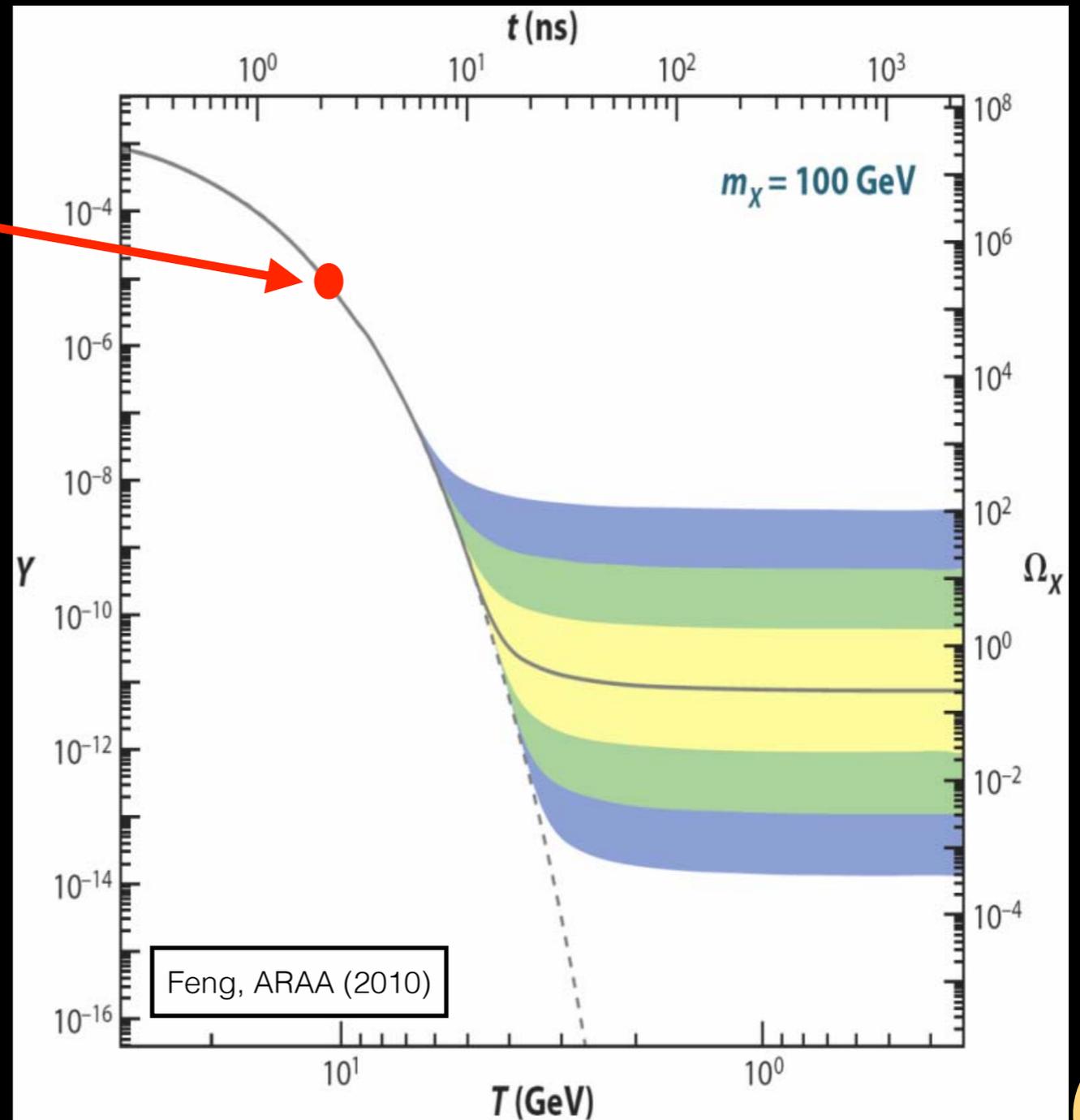


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DM number density
at equilibrium

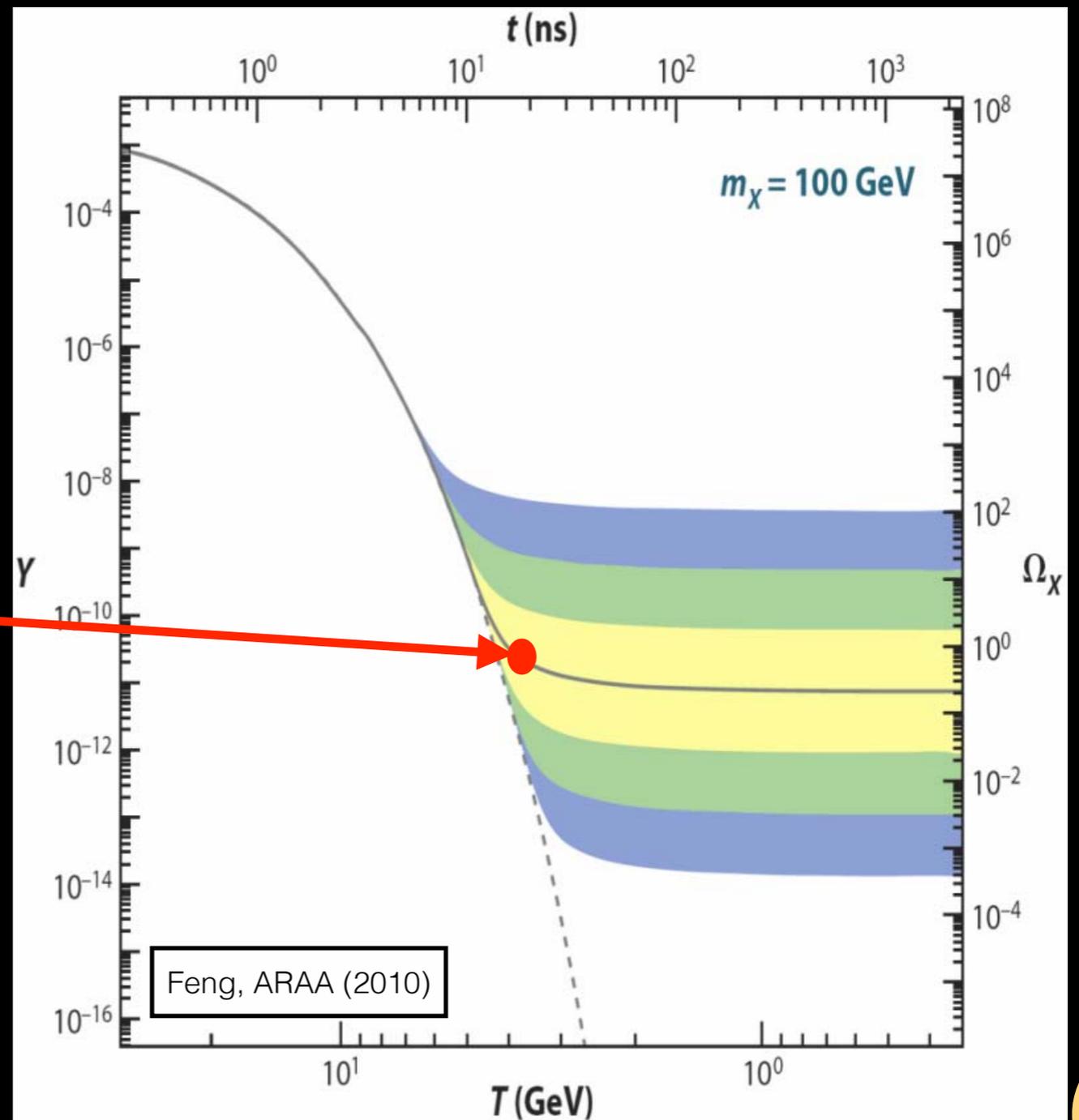
Keeps exponentially
decreasing as universe
expands and cools and
DM converts to SM
particles



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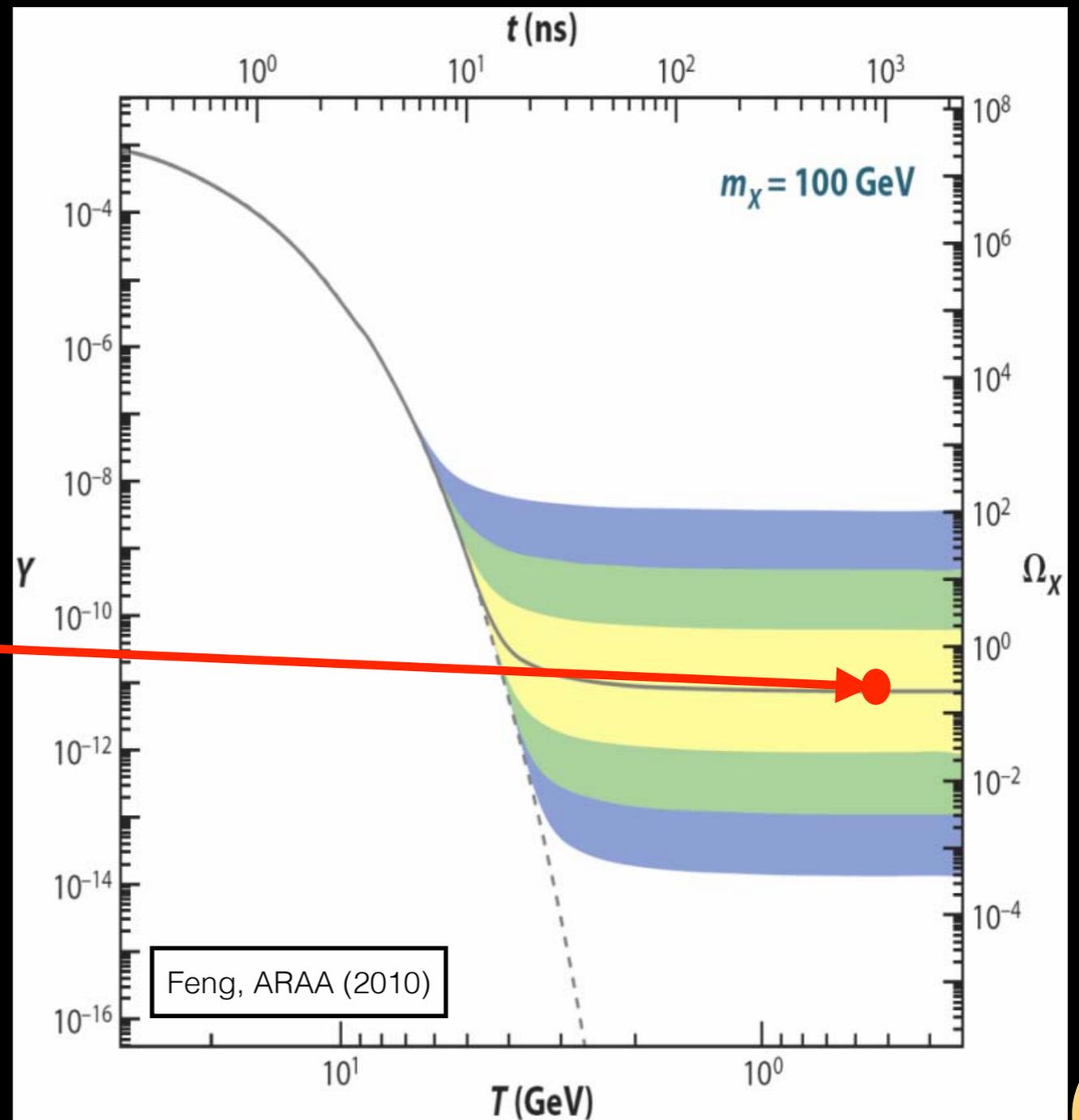
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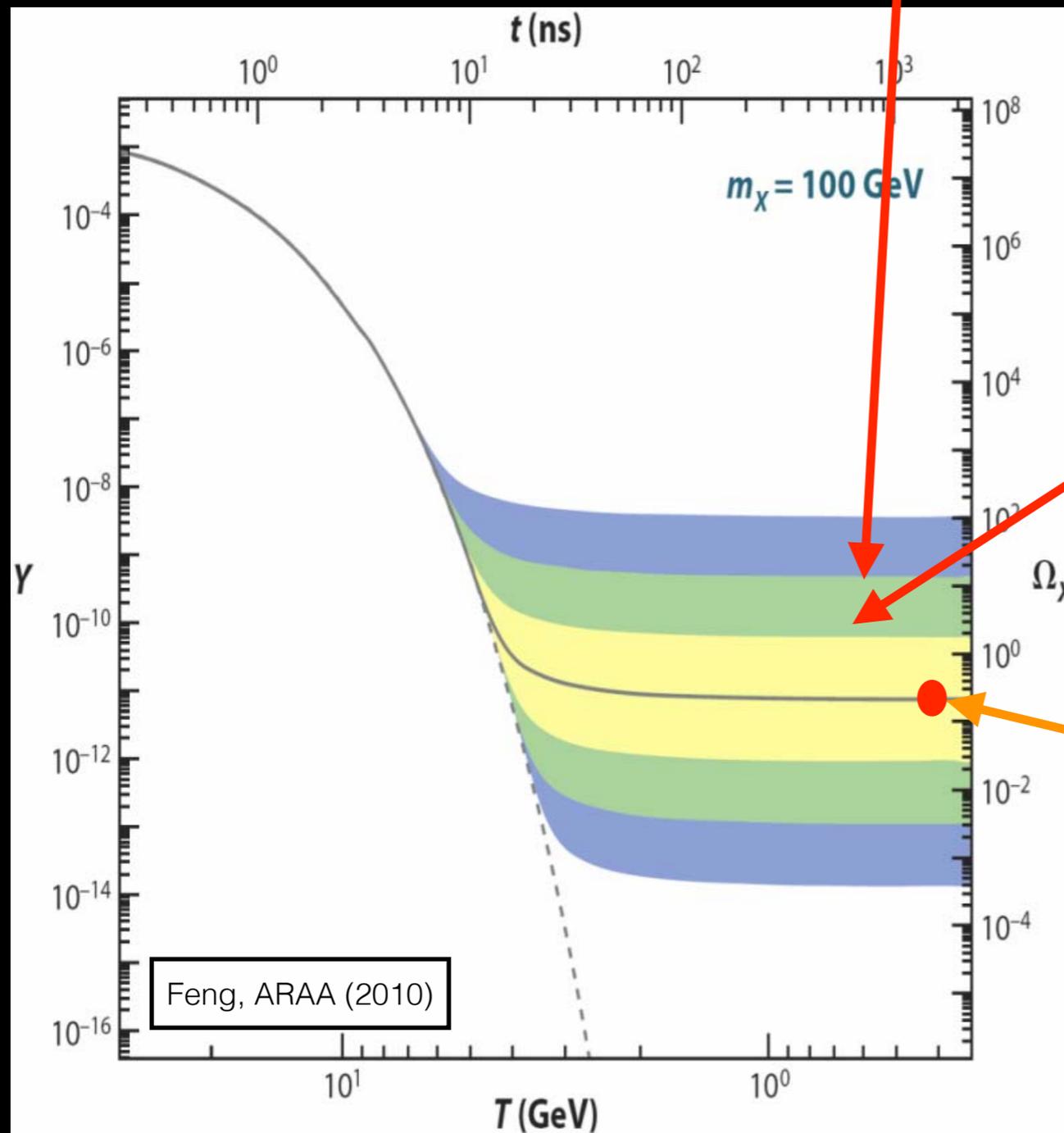
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DM number density
we observe in the
universe today



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Controlled by strength of particle physics interactions

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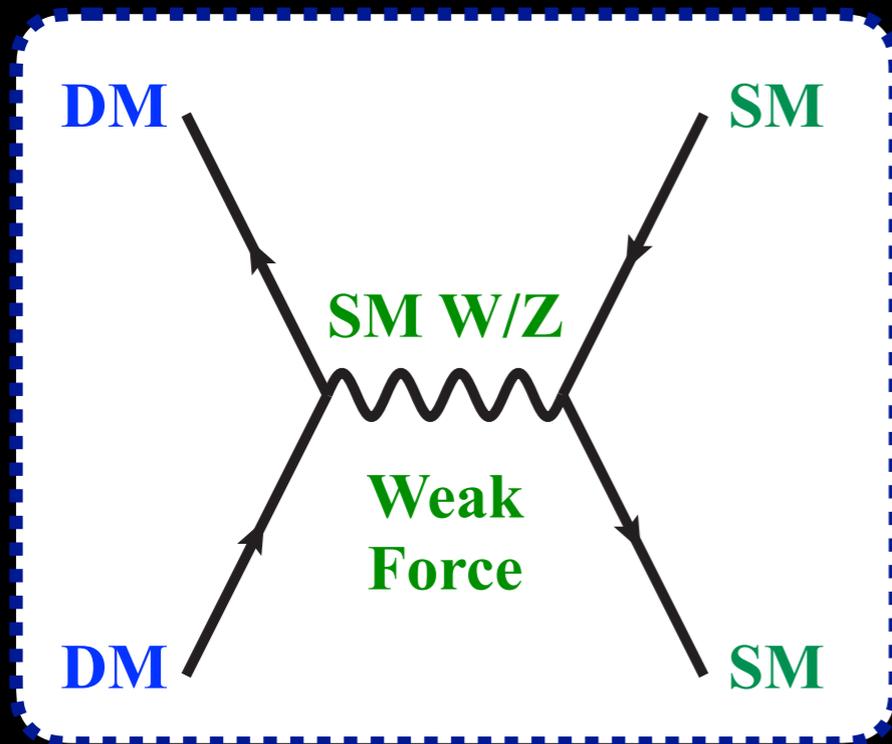
WIMP Miracle

Weakly-Interacting Massive Particles

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Calculations of relic density match cosmological
observations almost exactly

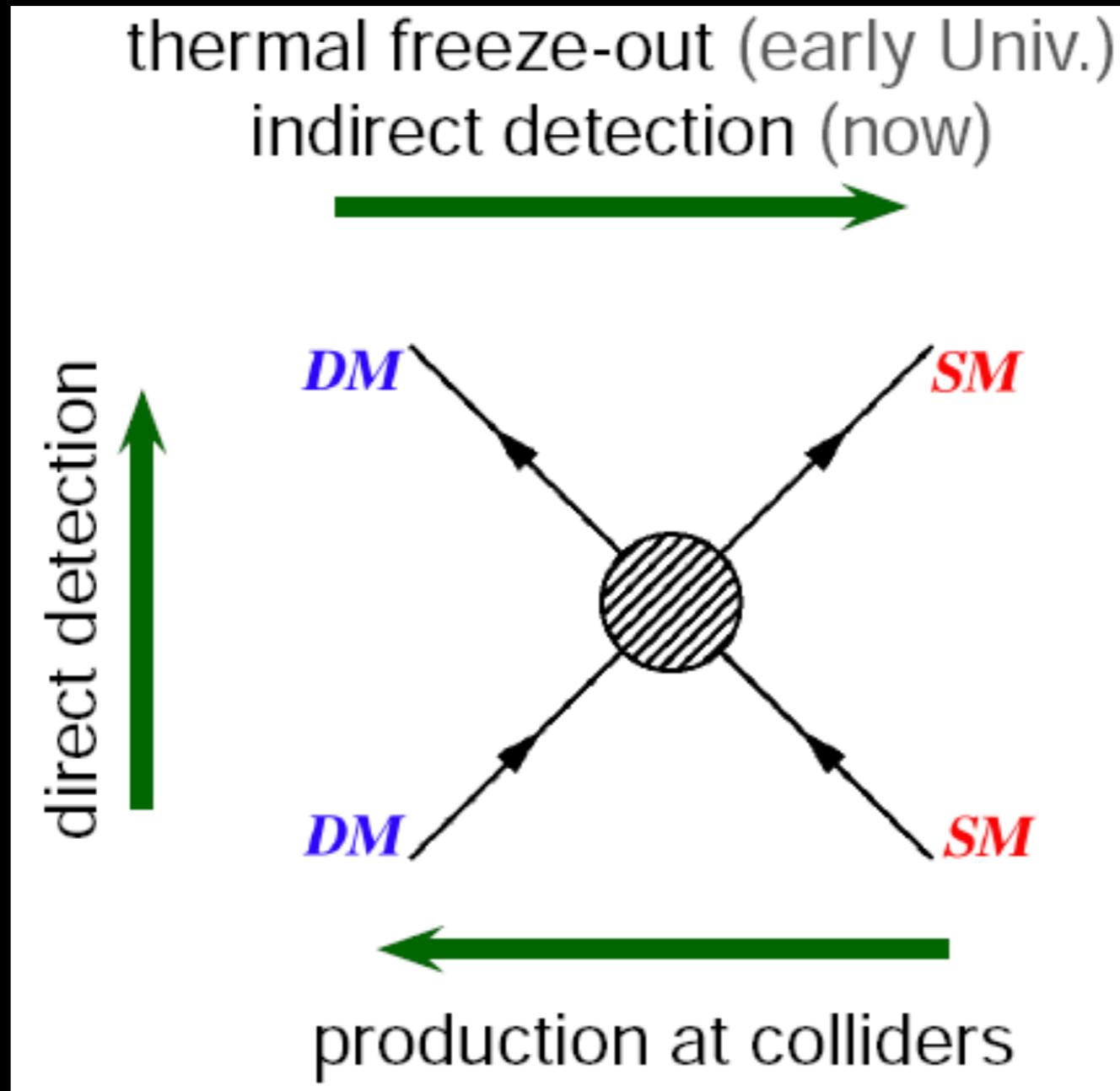


$$\Omega h^2 \sim \frac{0.1 \text{ pb}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \sim 0.12$$

Weak scale
annihilation rate

Dark matter annihilation

How do we find dark matter?



In the Sky

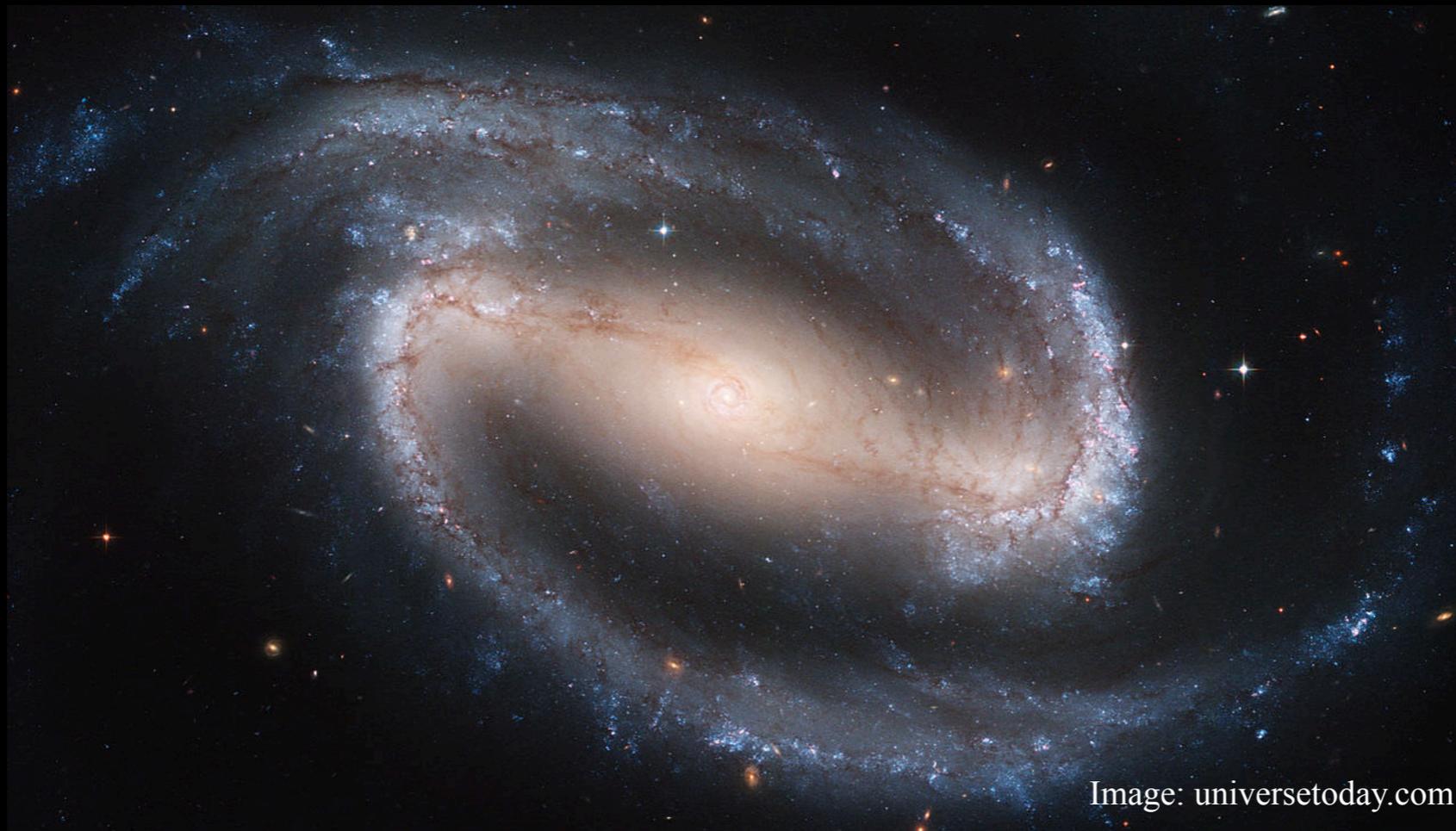
At Colliders

In underground detectors

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Indirect detection

In Dark matter dense regions like the Galactic center:

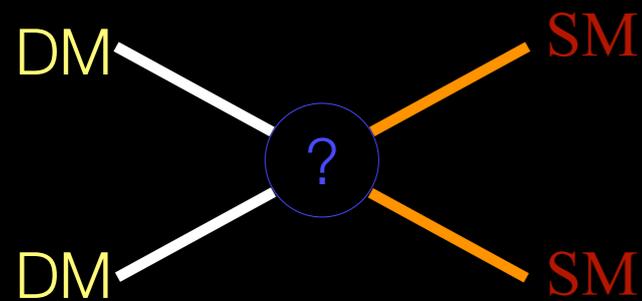


Dark matter particles find each other and annihilate into SM particles

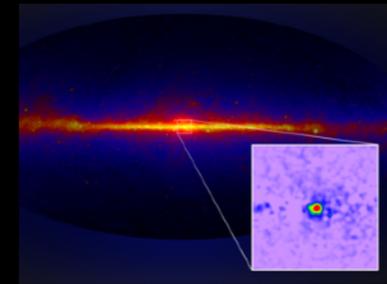
Dark matter particles may decay into SM particles

We must look where dark matter density is highest

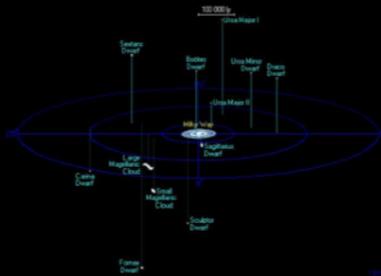
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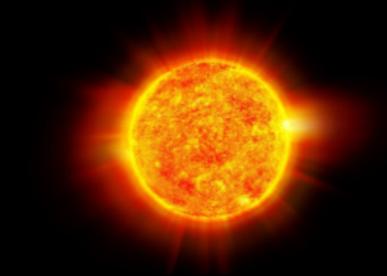
Local halo



Galactic centre,
other galaxies

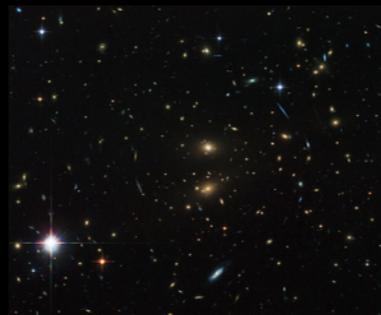
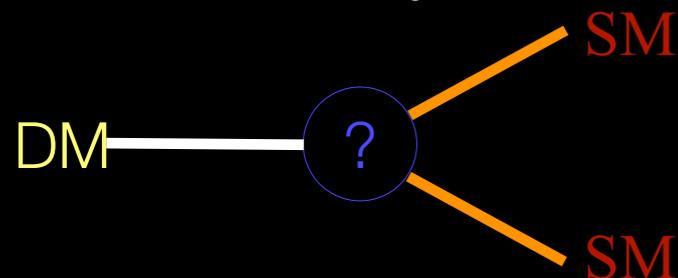


Dwarf
galaxies

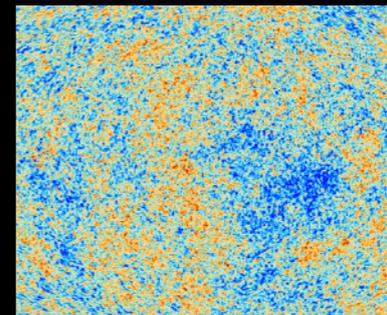


The Sun

decay



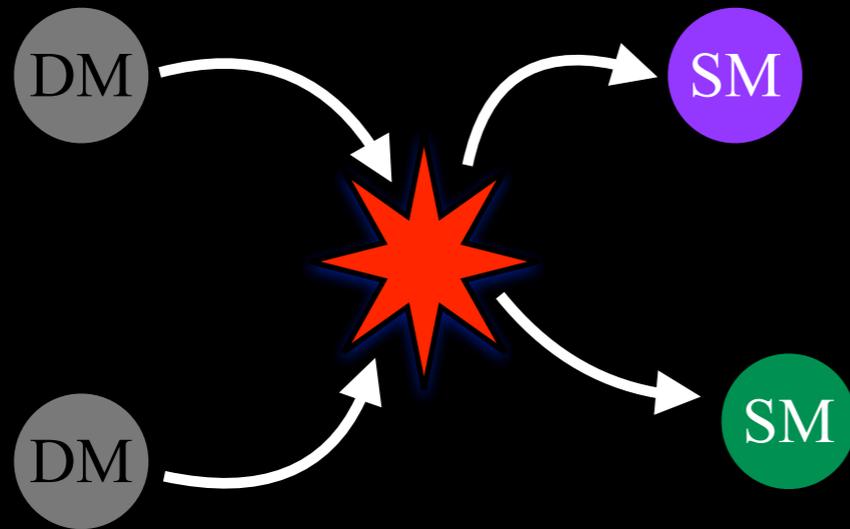
Galaxy
Clusters



The entire
Universe

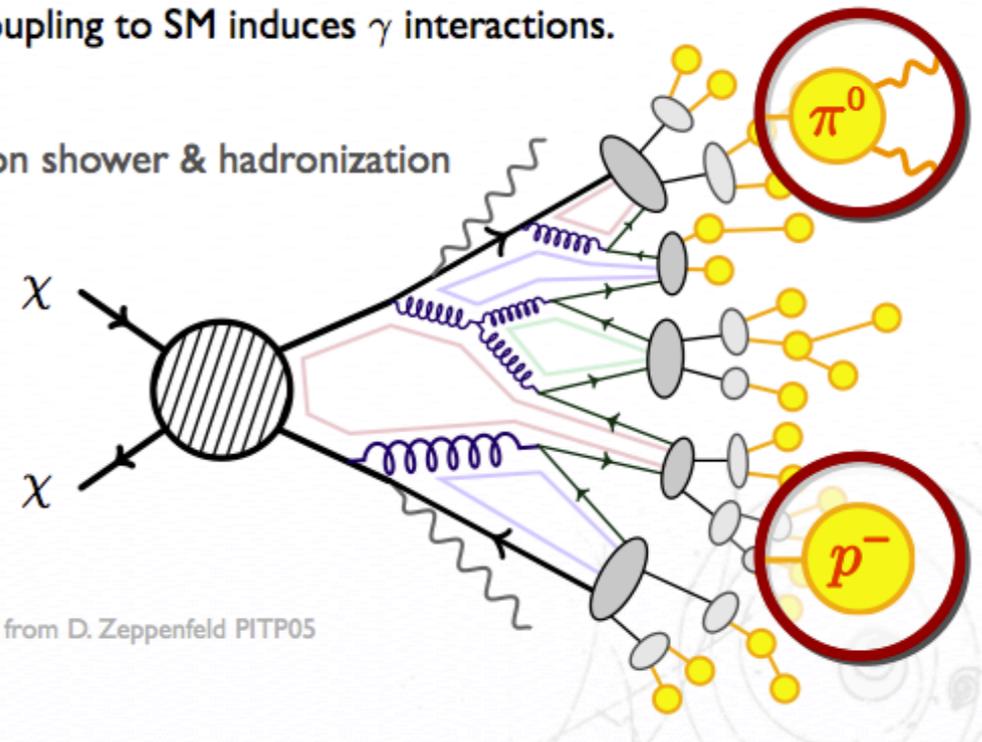
Indirect Detection

Dark Matter annihilates / decays into SM particles



DM coupling to SM induces γ interactions.

Parton shower & hadronization



Adapted from D. Zeppenfeld PITP05

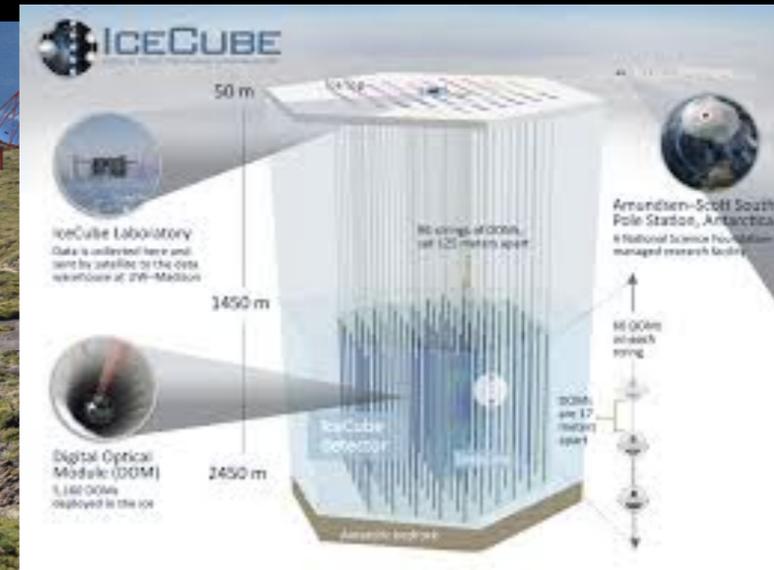
Square Kilometer Array



H.E.S.S. / Cherenkov Telescope Array

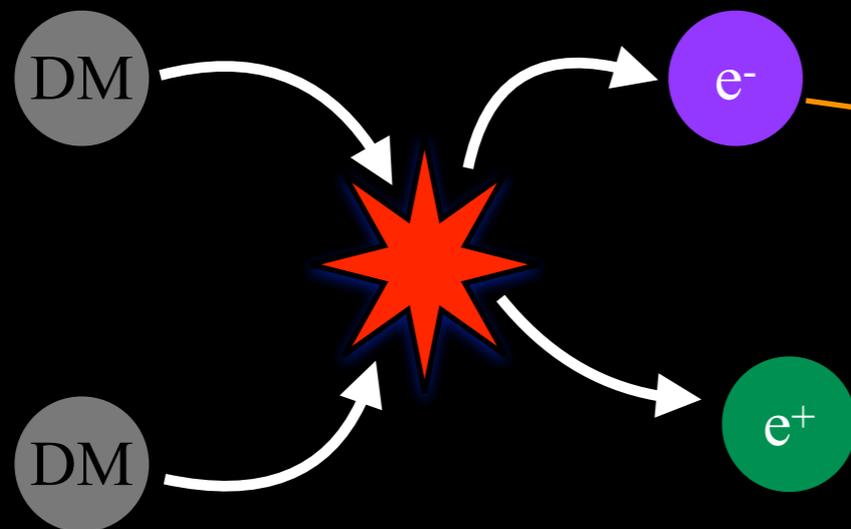


IceCUBE neutrino observatory

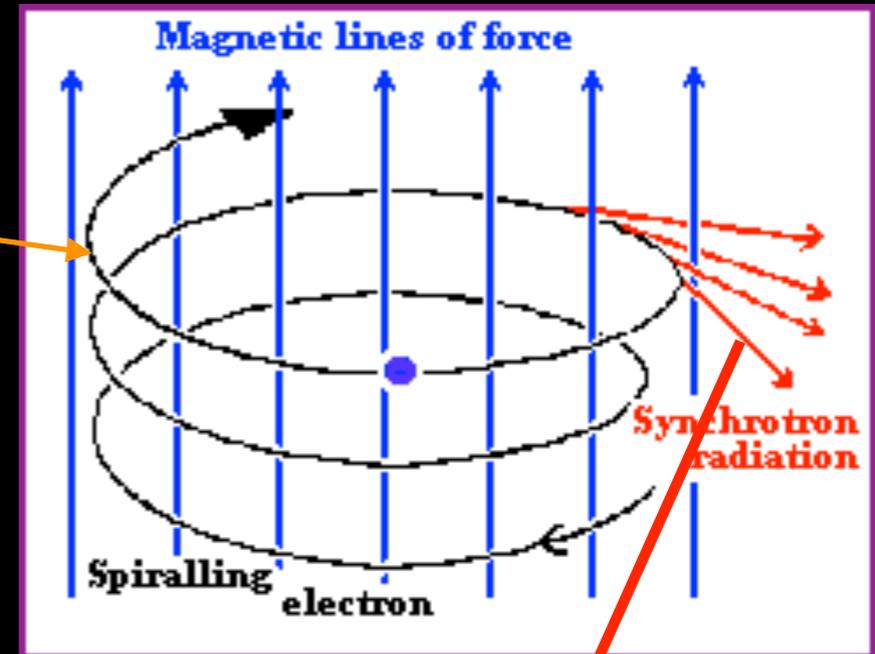


e.g Synchrotron Radiation

Dark Matter annihilates to charged SM particles like electrons/positrons



Galactic magnetic fields



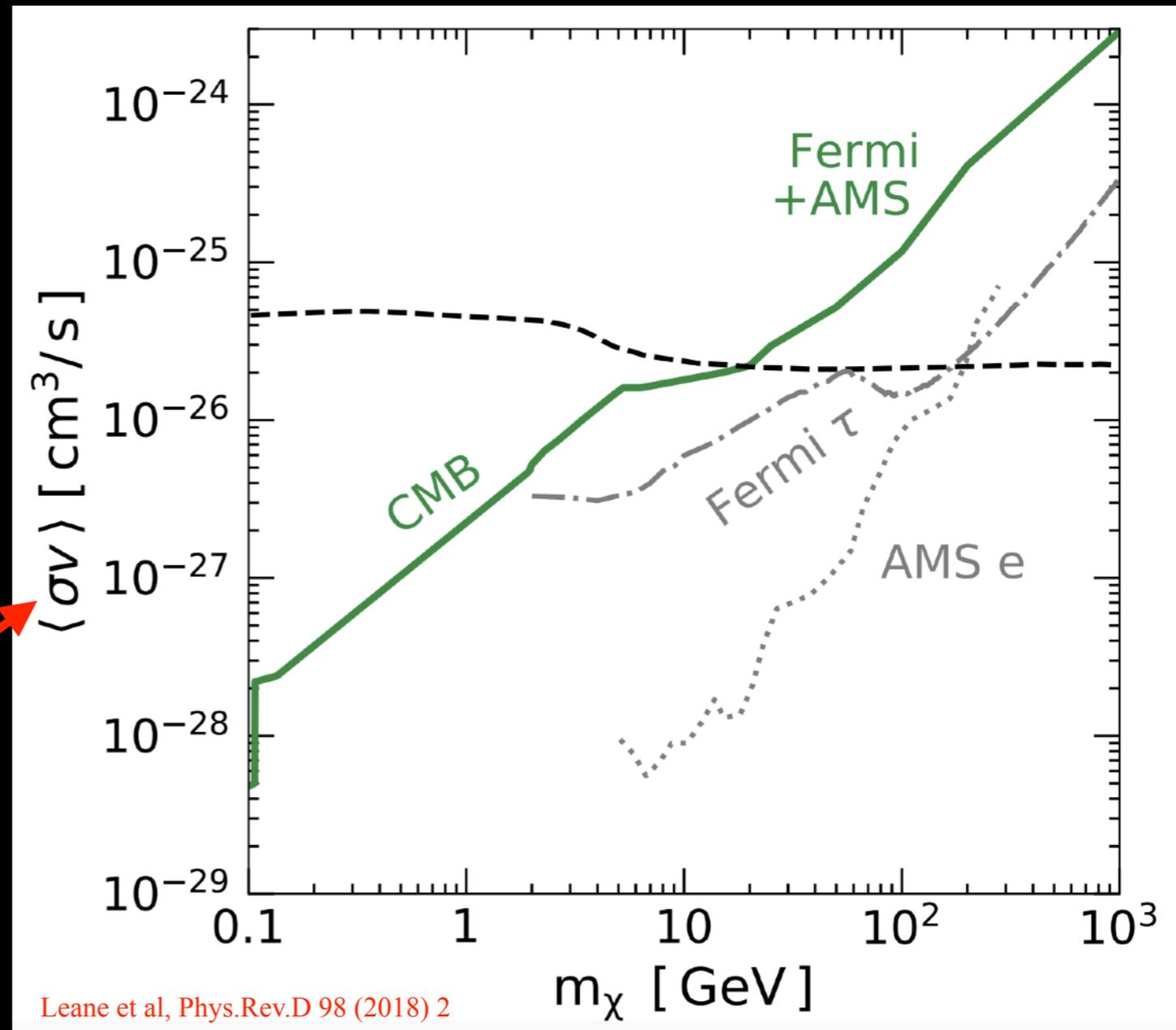
Square Kilometer Array

Indirect Detection

$$\frac{d\phi}{dE_\gamma} \sim \left(\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{8\pi} \frac{dN_\gamma}{dE_\gamma} \frac{1}{m_\chi^2} \right) \int_{\Delta\Omega} \int_{l.o.s} \rho_\chi^2(l) dl d\Omega$$

Flux of photons
from DM
annihilation

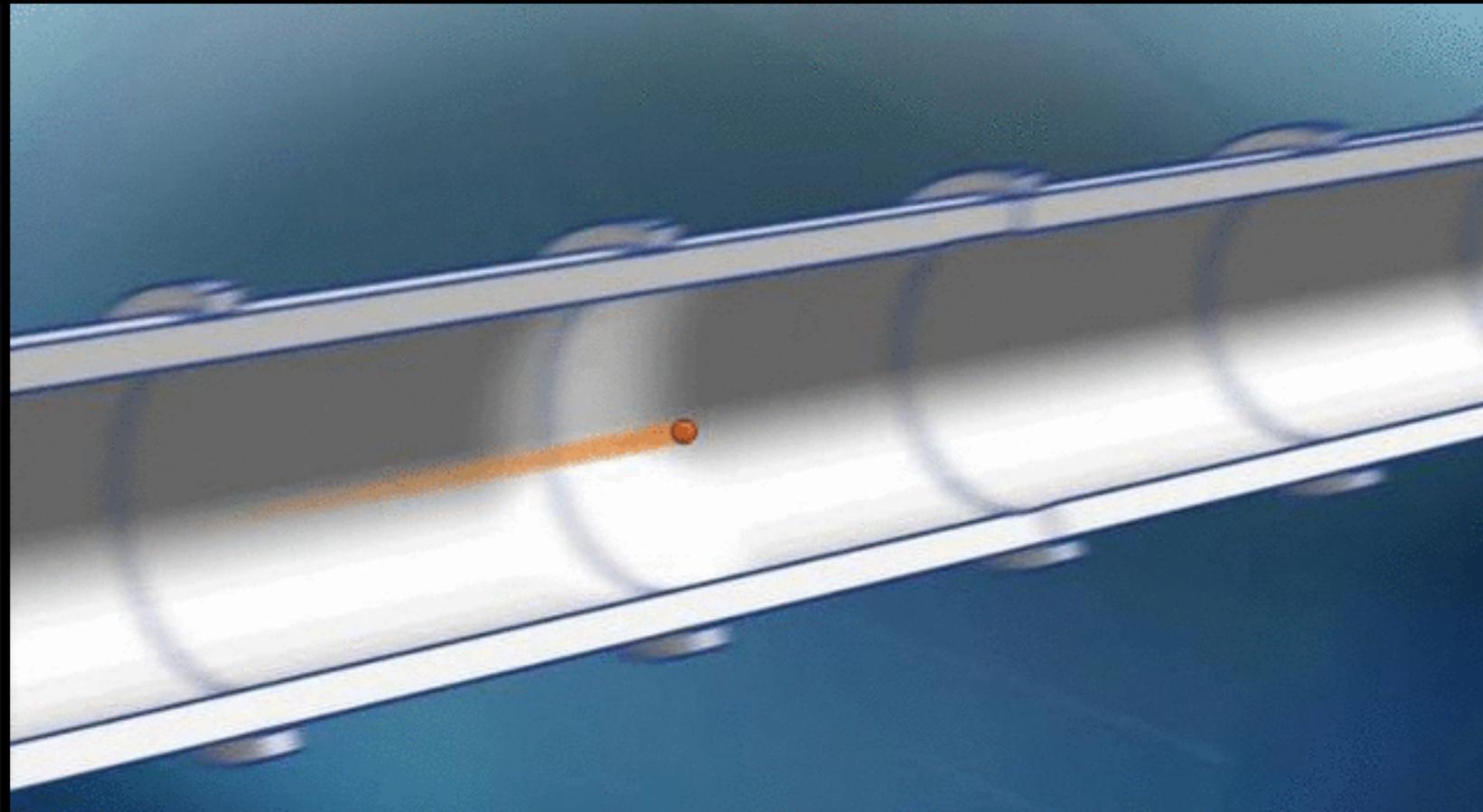
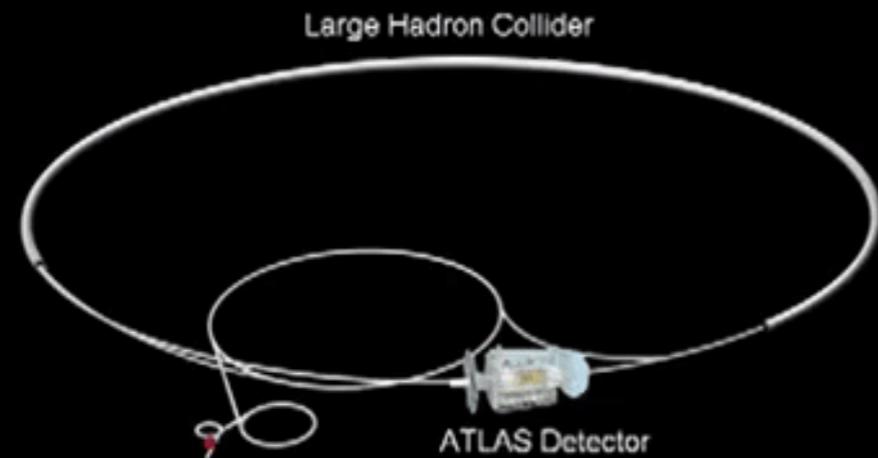
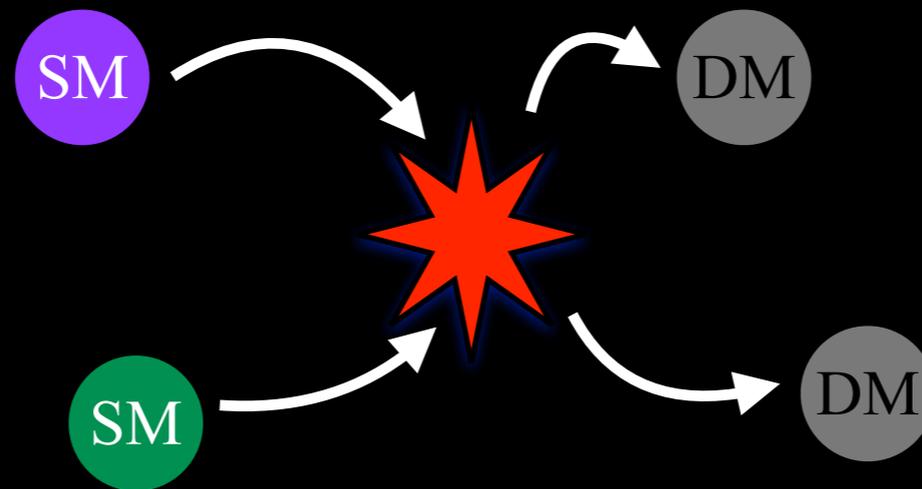
Compared with data
from telescopes to obtain
limits on DM parameters



Leane et al, Phys.Rev.D 98 (2018) 2

Production at Colliders/Accelerators

Collide SM particles to produce dark matter in the Laboratory



Production at Colliders/Accelerators

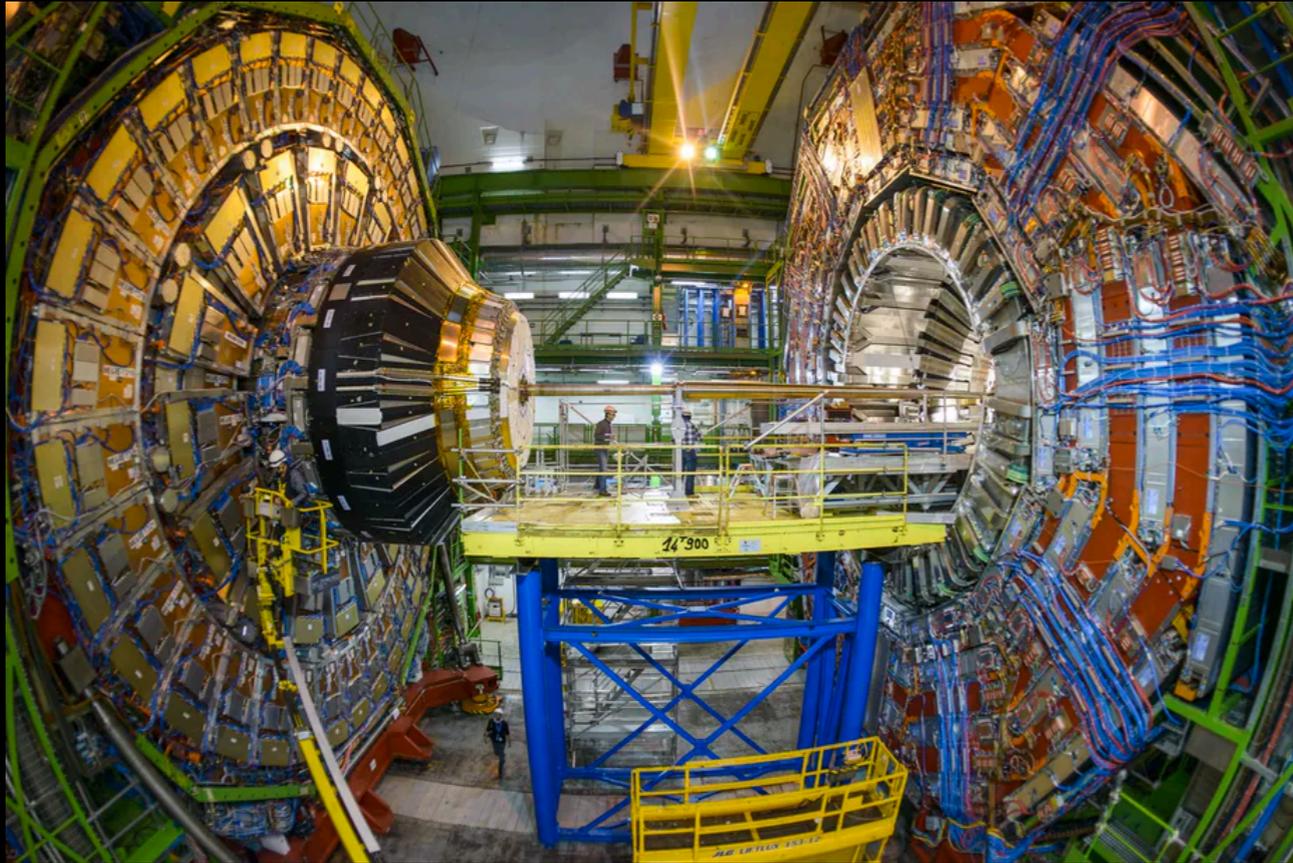
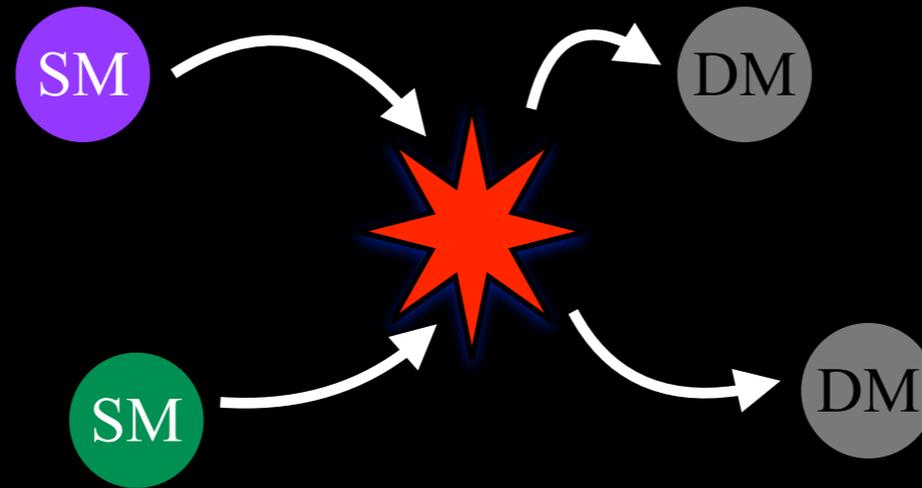


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High/low energy colliders

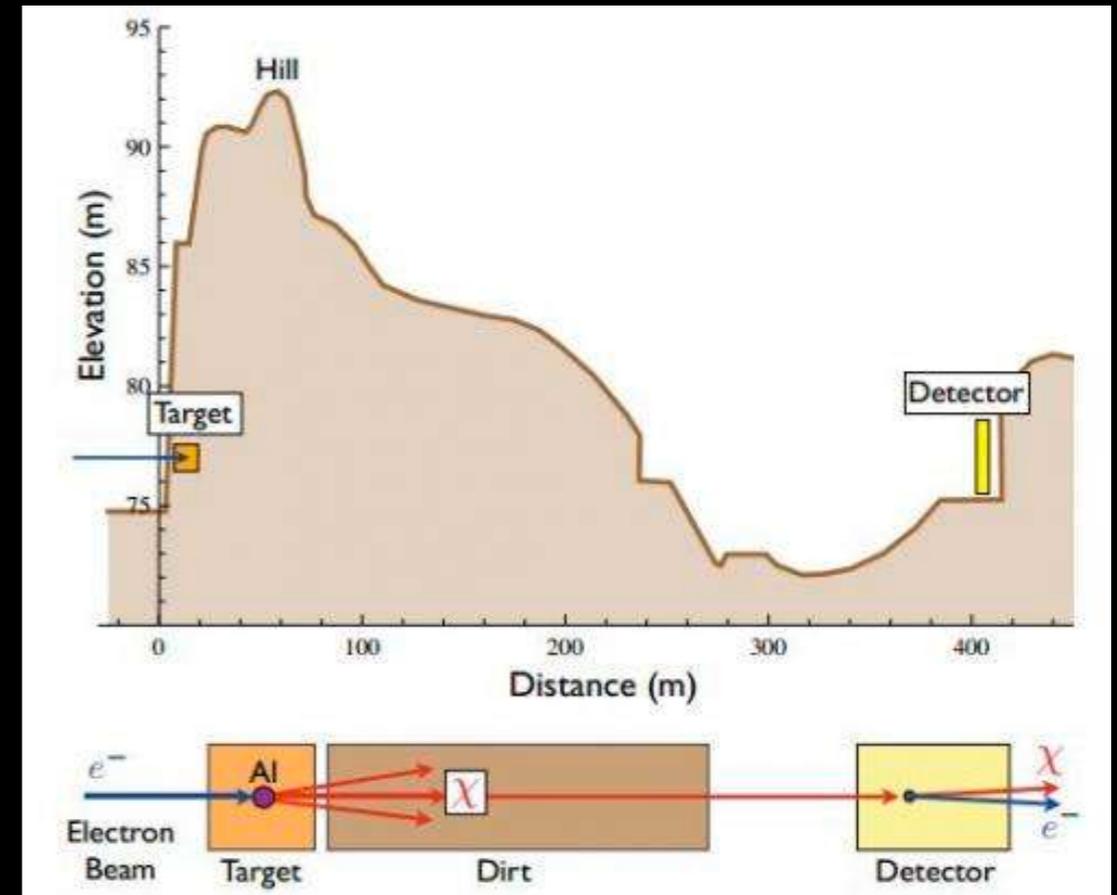


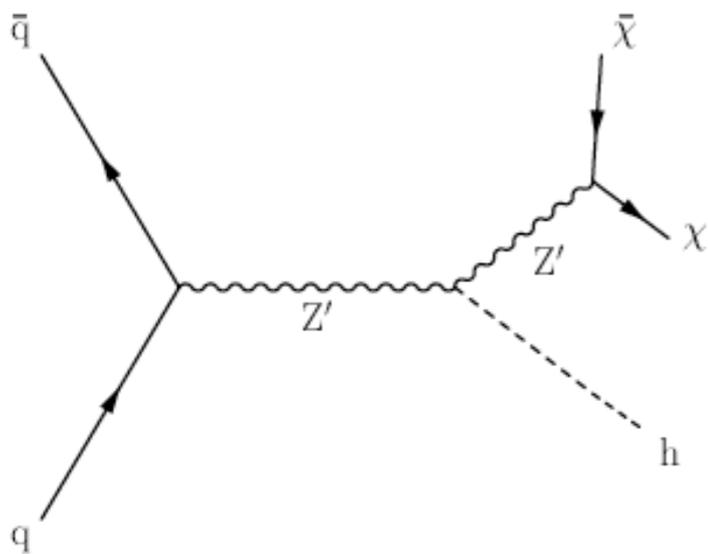
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Fixed target experiments

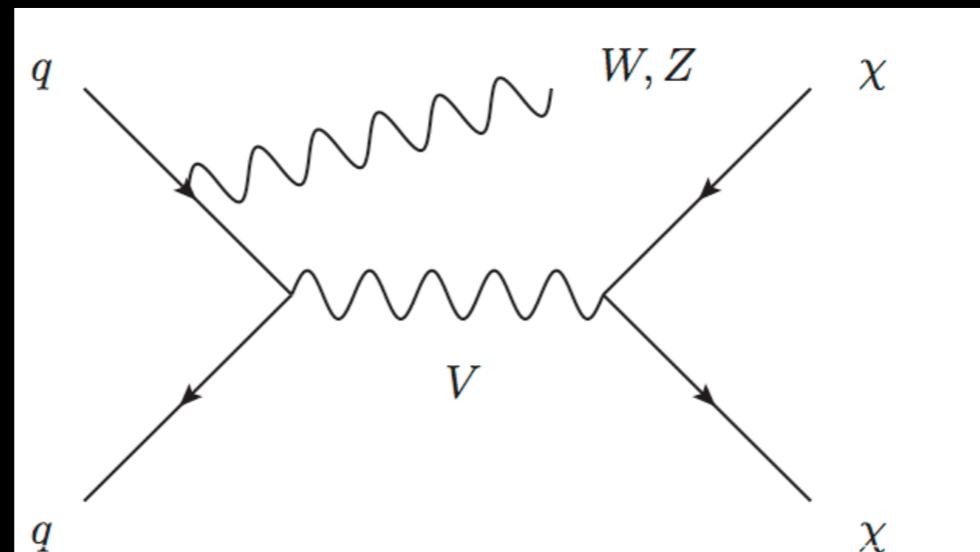
Production/Detection at Colliders

For center of mass collisions, dark matter can be discovered through Mono-X searches

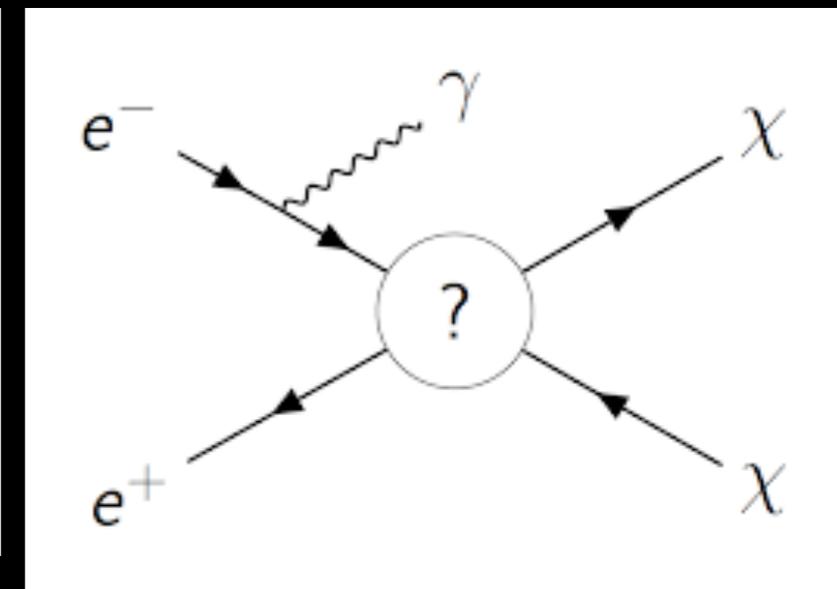
DM is produced and recoils against SM particle, we only see the SM particle. Kinematics allows us to determine DM mass and coupling strength



E.g. mono-Higgs searches at P-P colliders like LHC



mono-W/Z searches at P-P colliders like LHC



mono-photon searches at e^+/e^- colliders

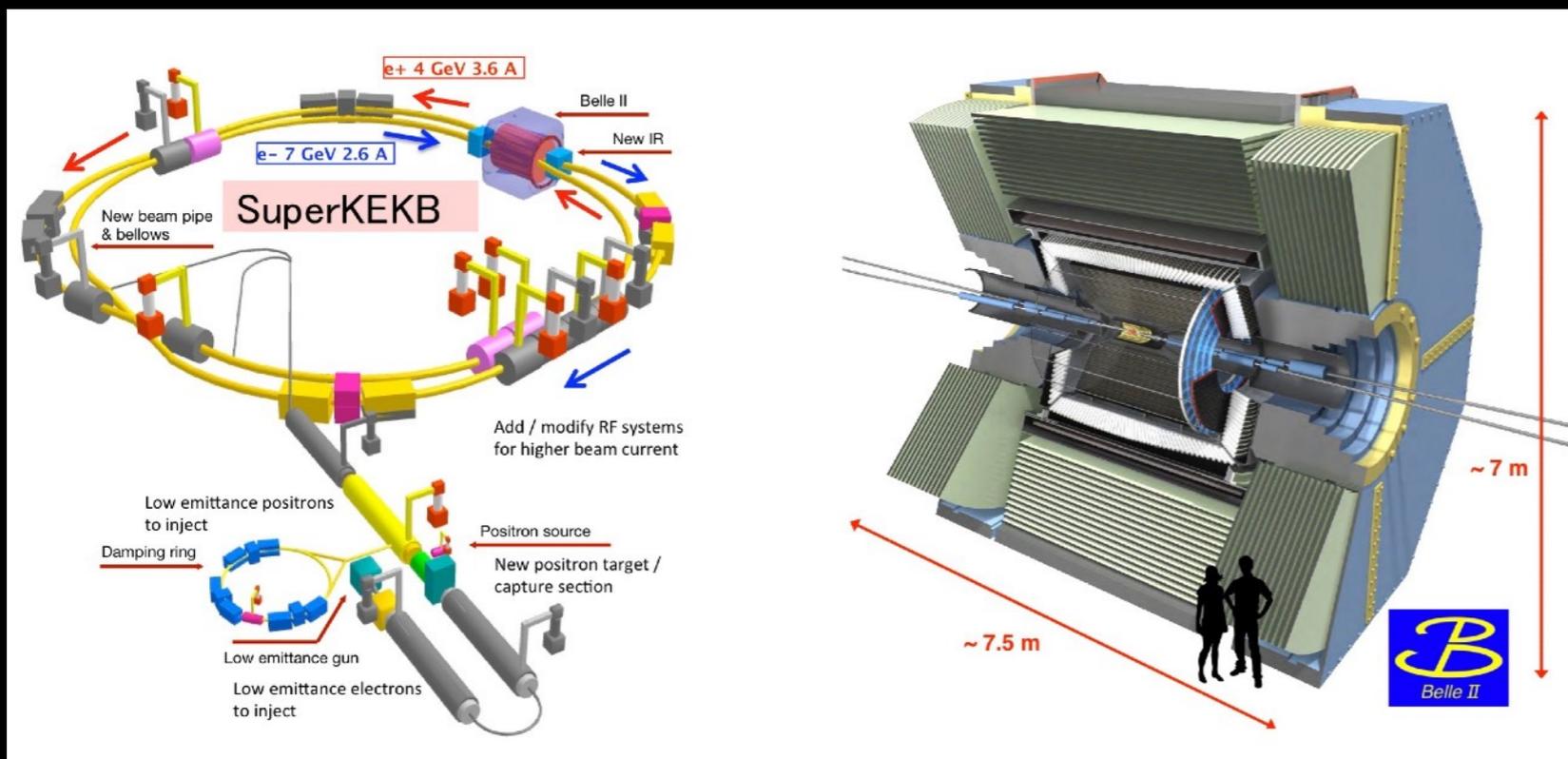
Large Hadron Collider at CERN



14 TeV P-P collisions

Higher DM masses

Belle II Collider at KEK in Japan

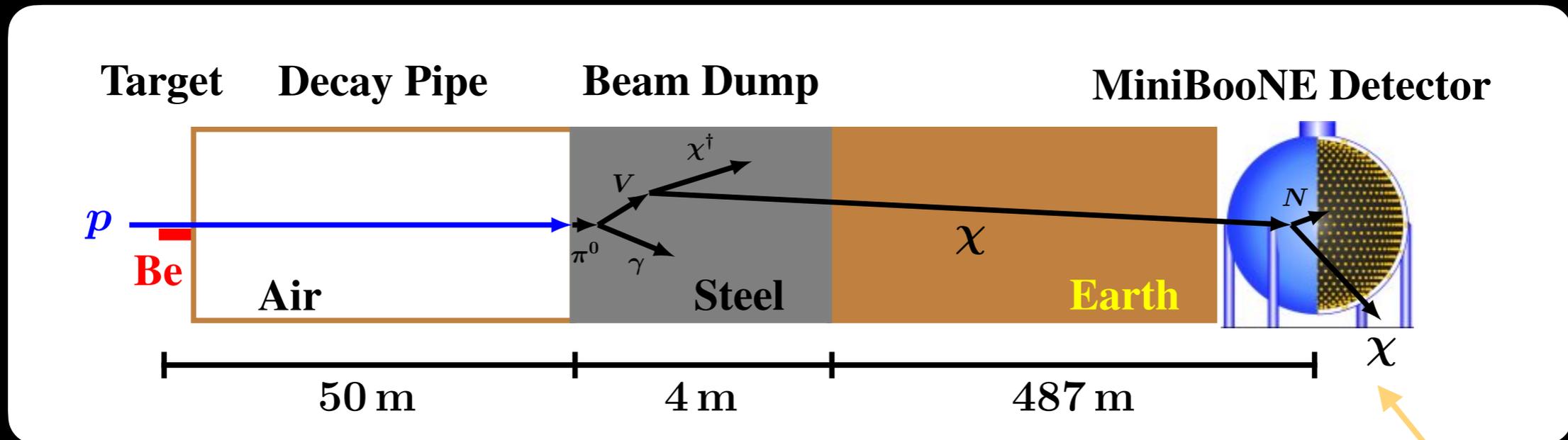


10 GeV e^+/e^- collisions

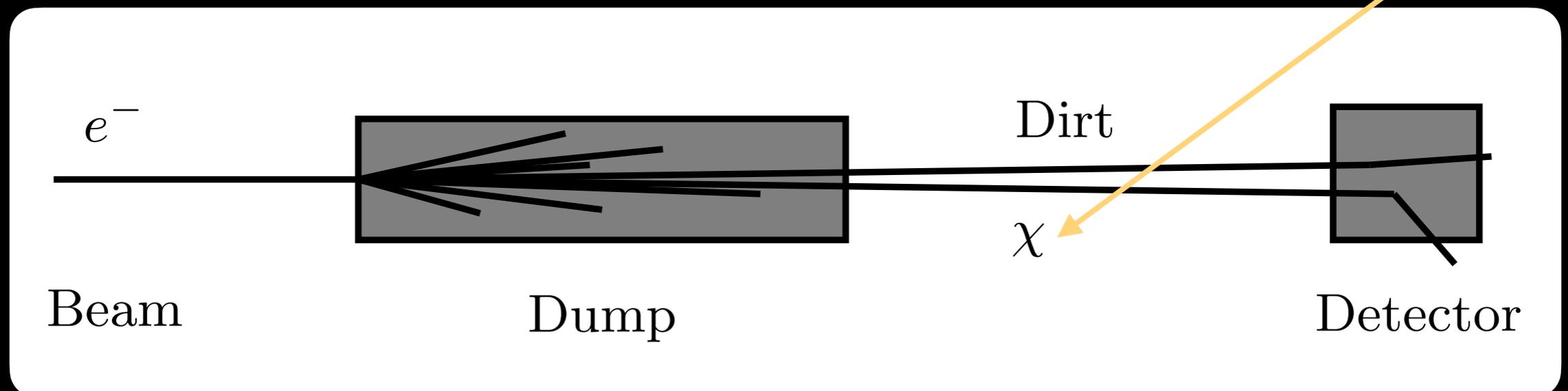
Probe low DM masses

Production/Detection at Fixed target experiments

Proton fixed target experiments



Electron fixed target experiments



Search for low mass dark matter

Direct Detection

Milky way is surrounded by 'spherical' halo of DM

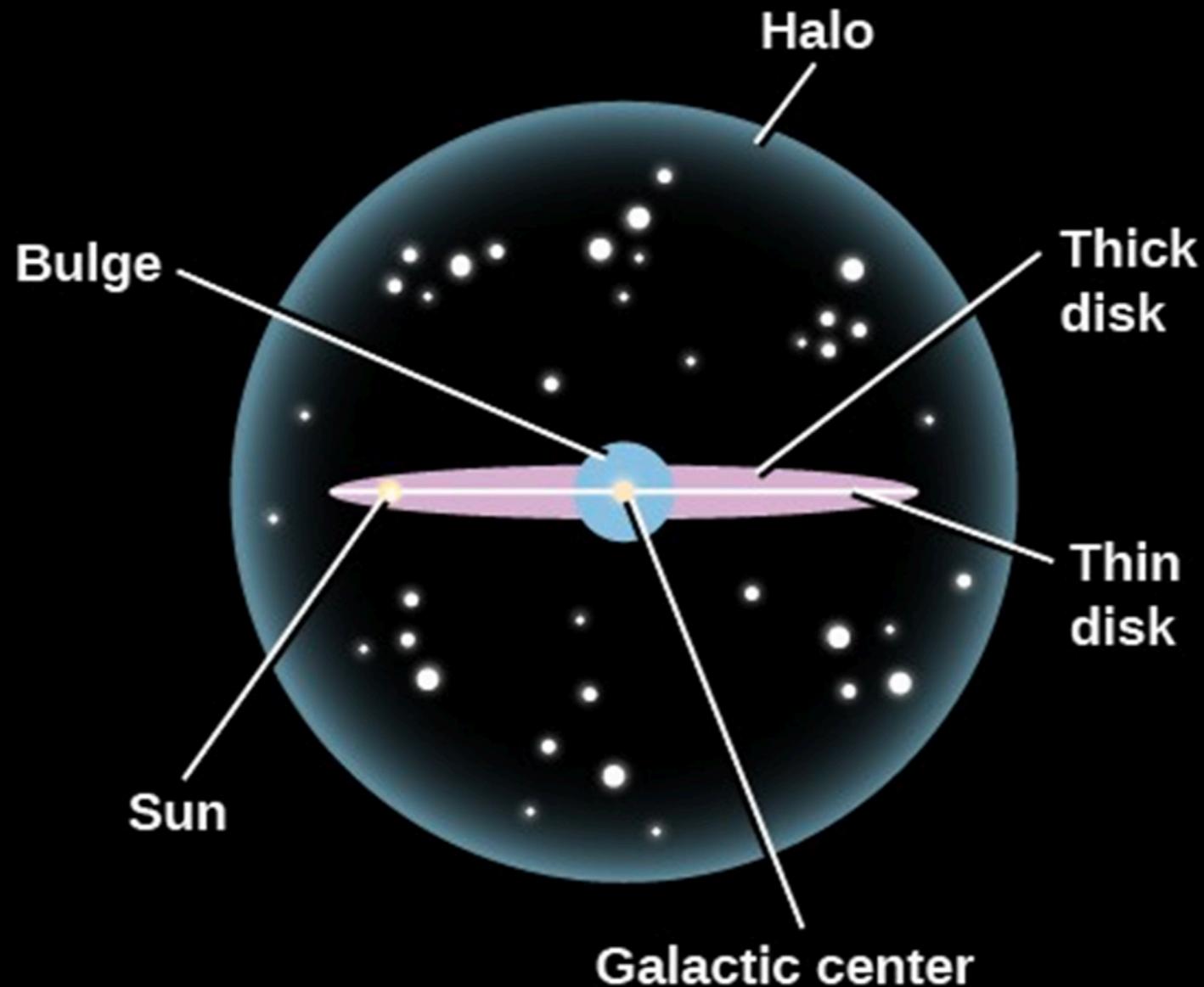


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Direct Detection

As sun moves around galaxy, solar system gets hit by dark matter wind

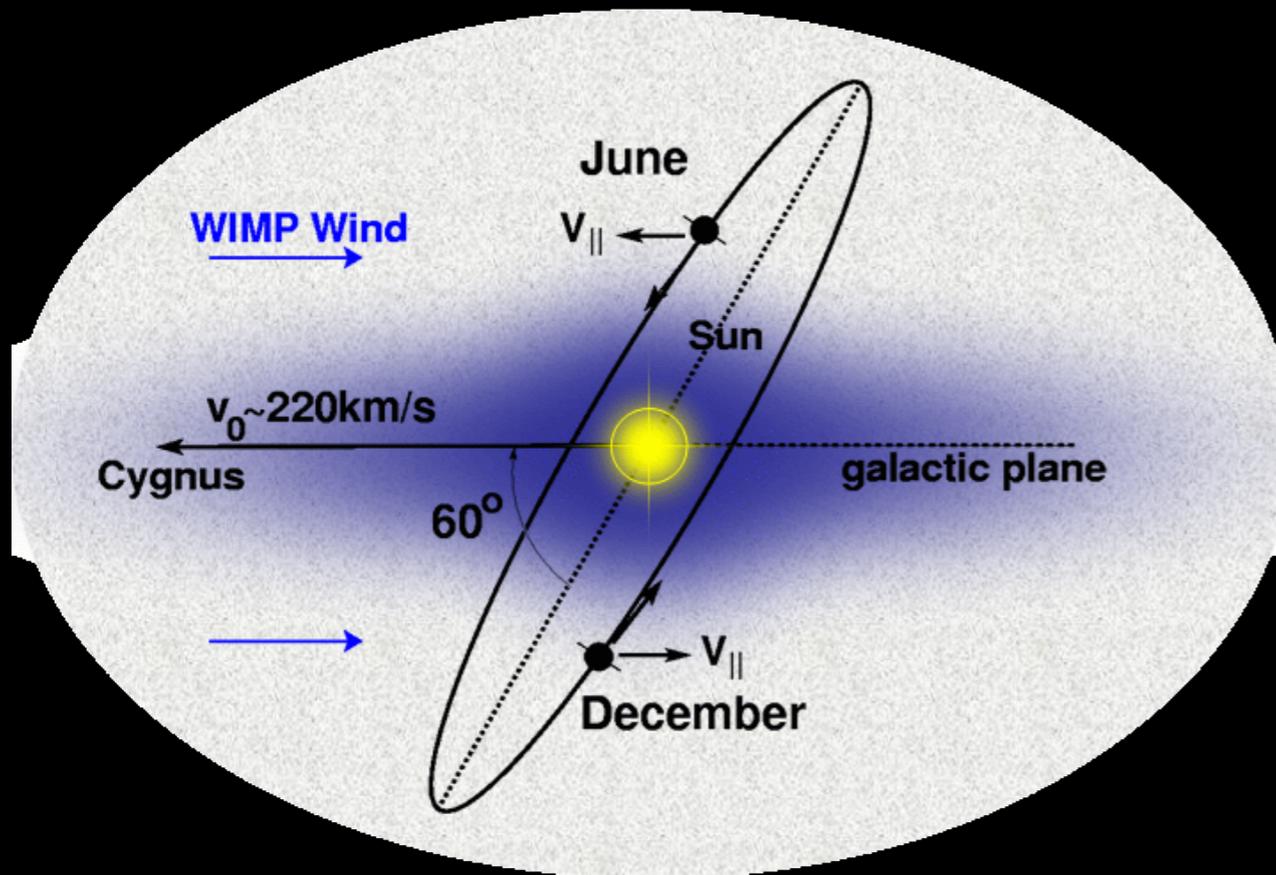


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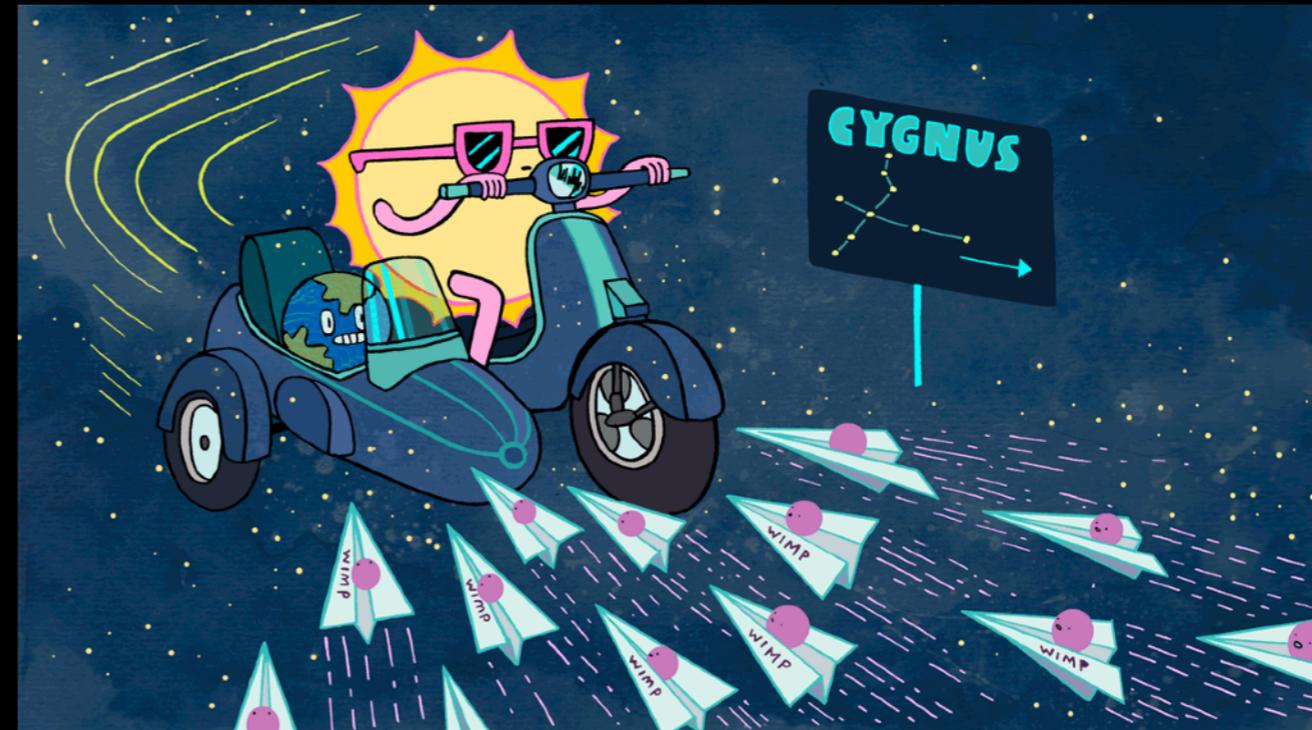


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Build a detector in a quiet place and patiently wait for dark matter to come knocking

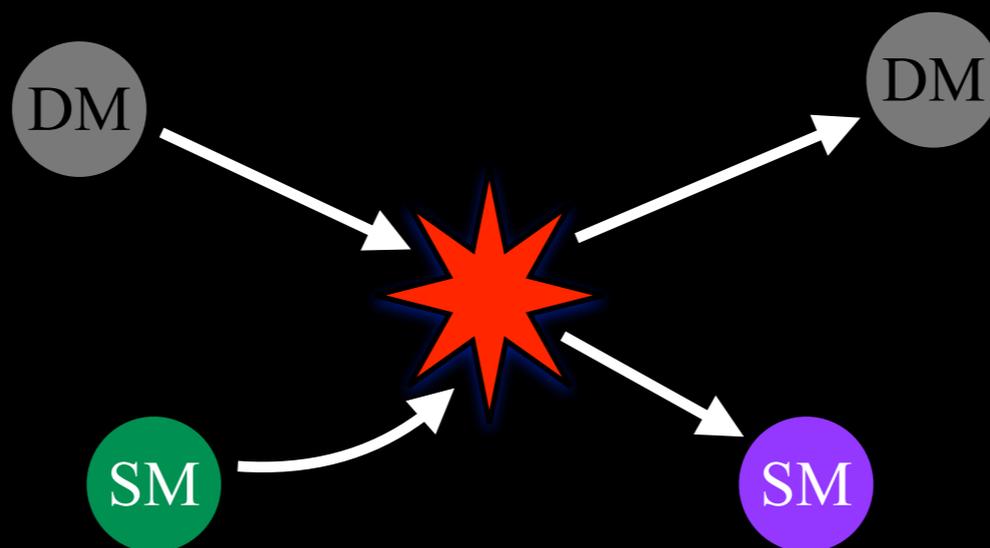
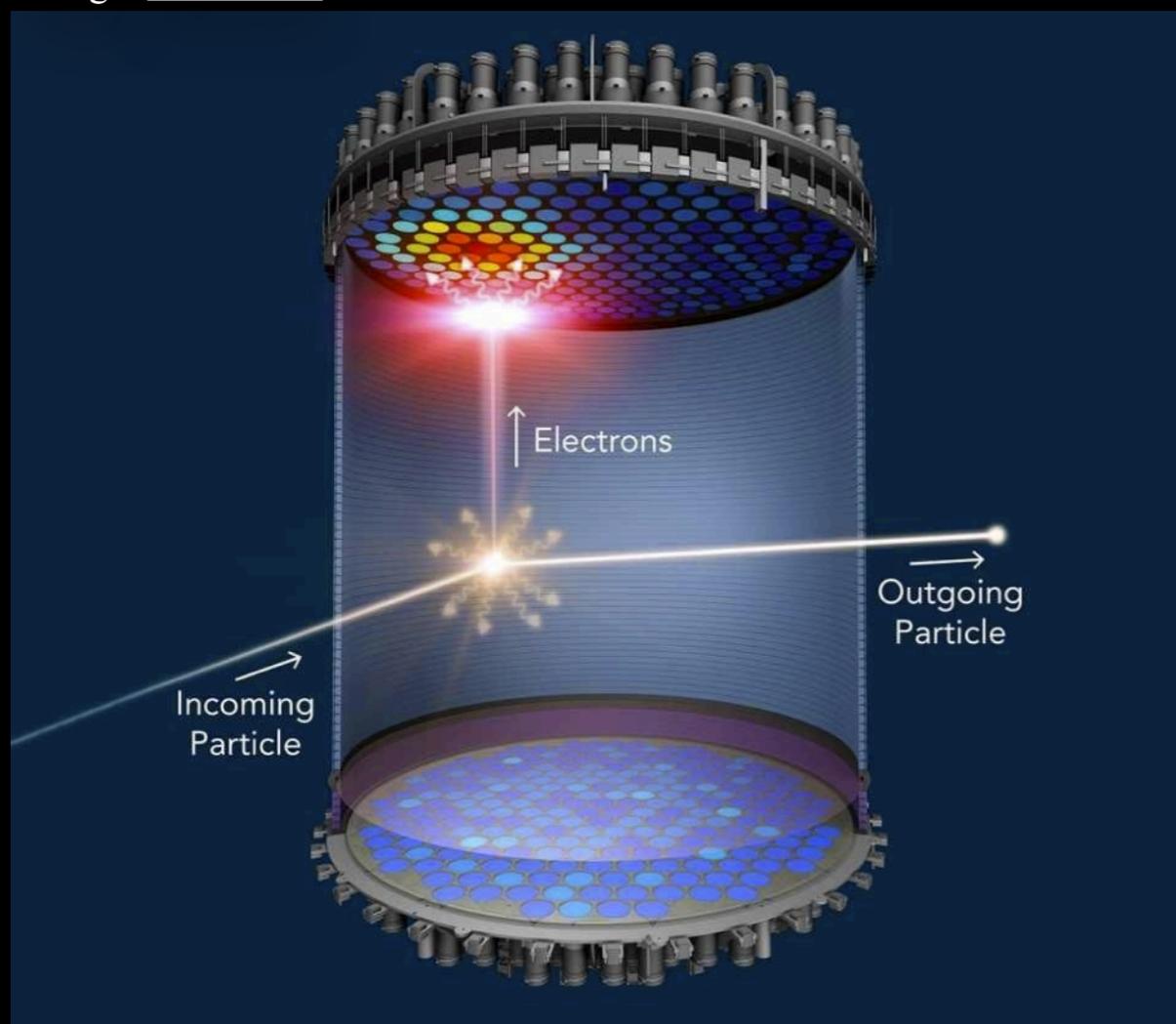


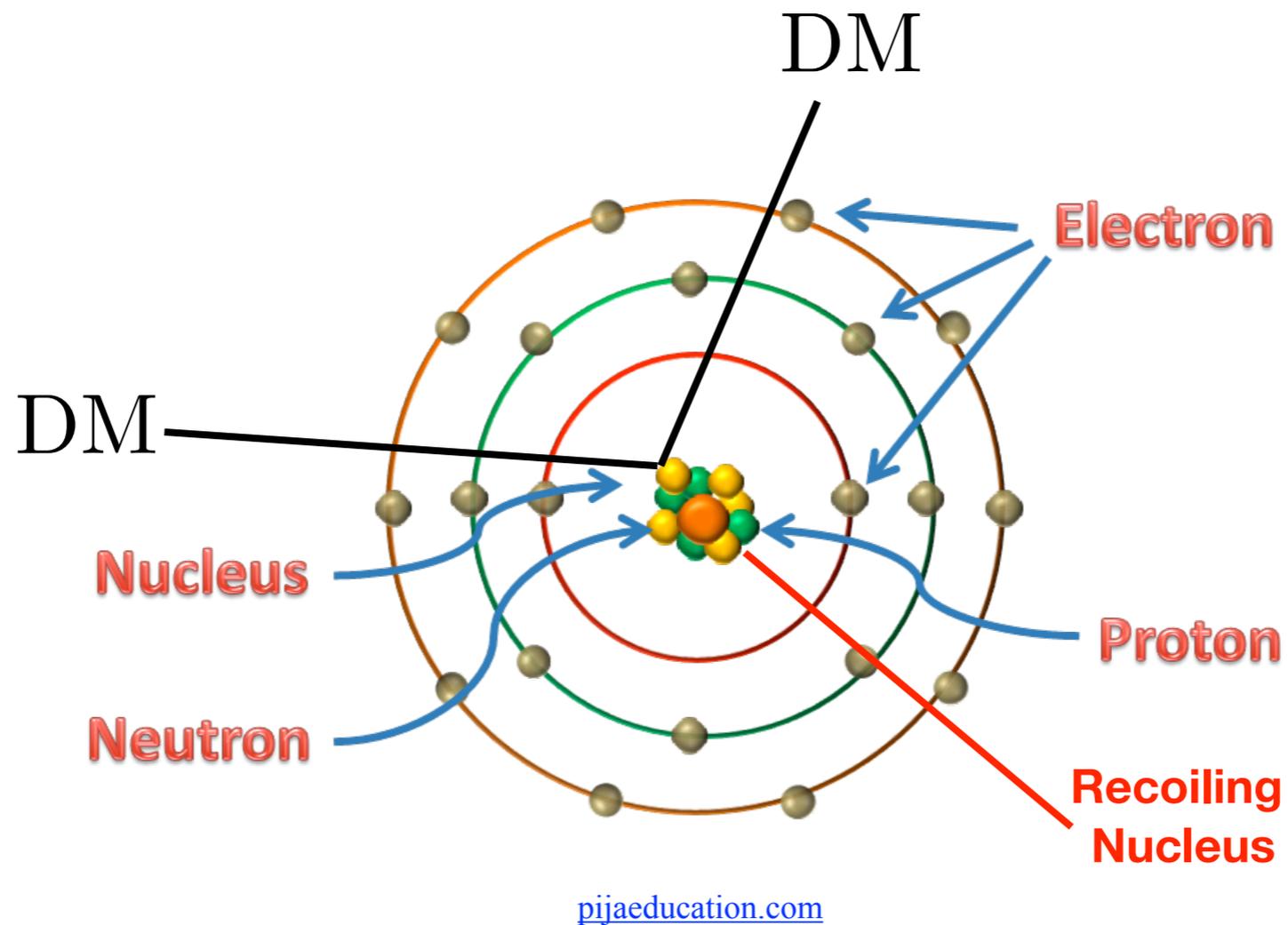
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Dark matter hits a nucleus causing a recoil

recoil nucleus is detected and kinematic information used to get dark matter properties

Nuclear Scattering



Nuclear
recoil
rate

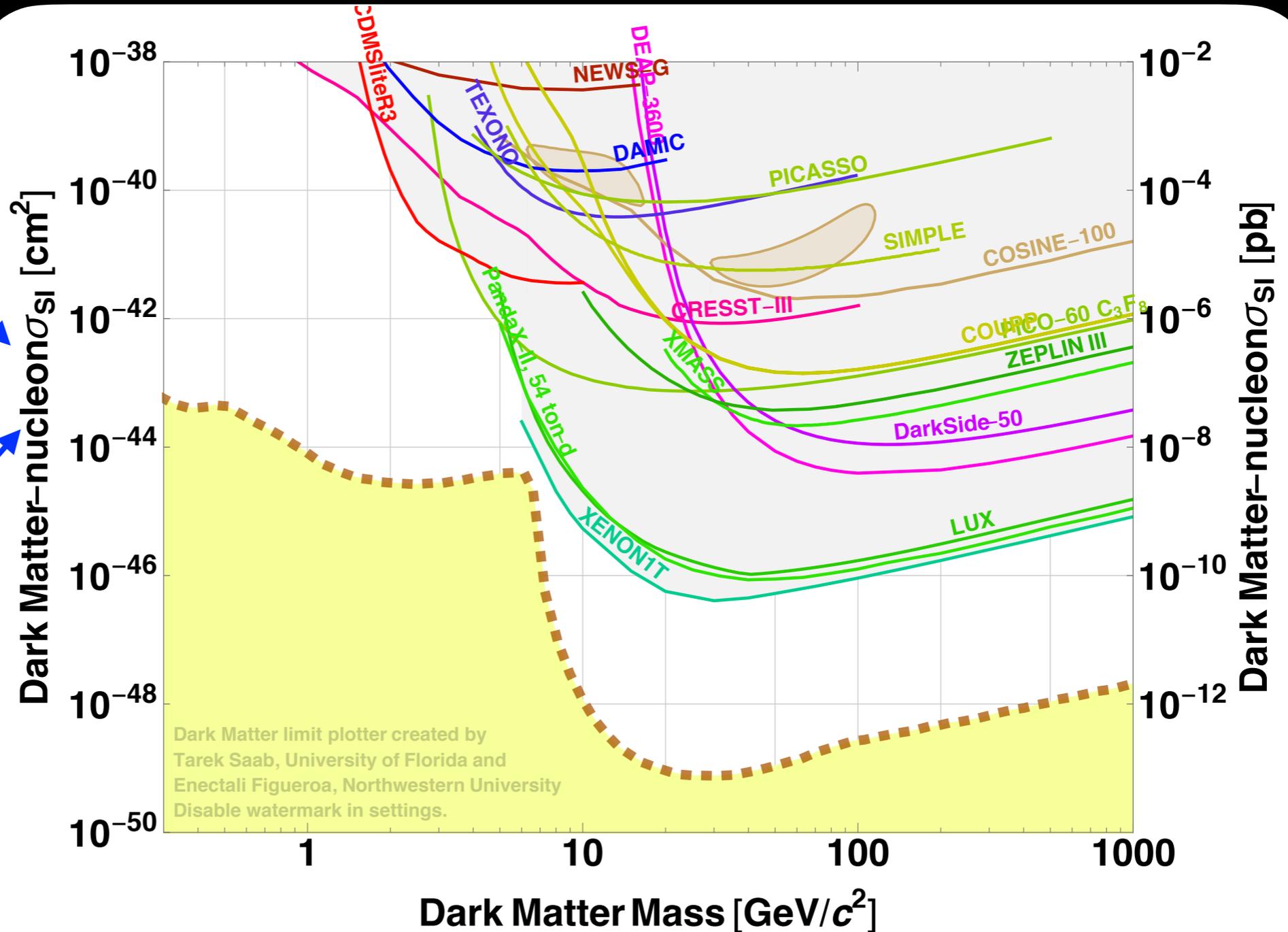
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Fit recoil rate to experimental data to understand DM parameter space

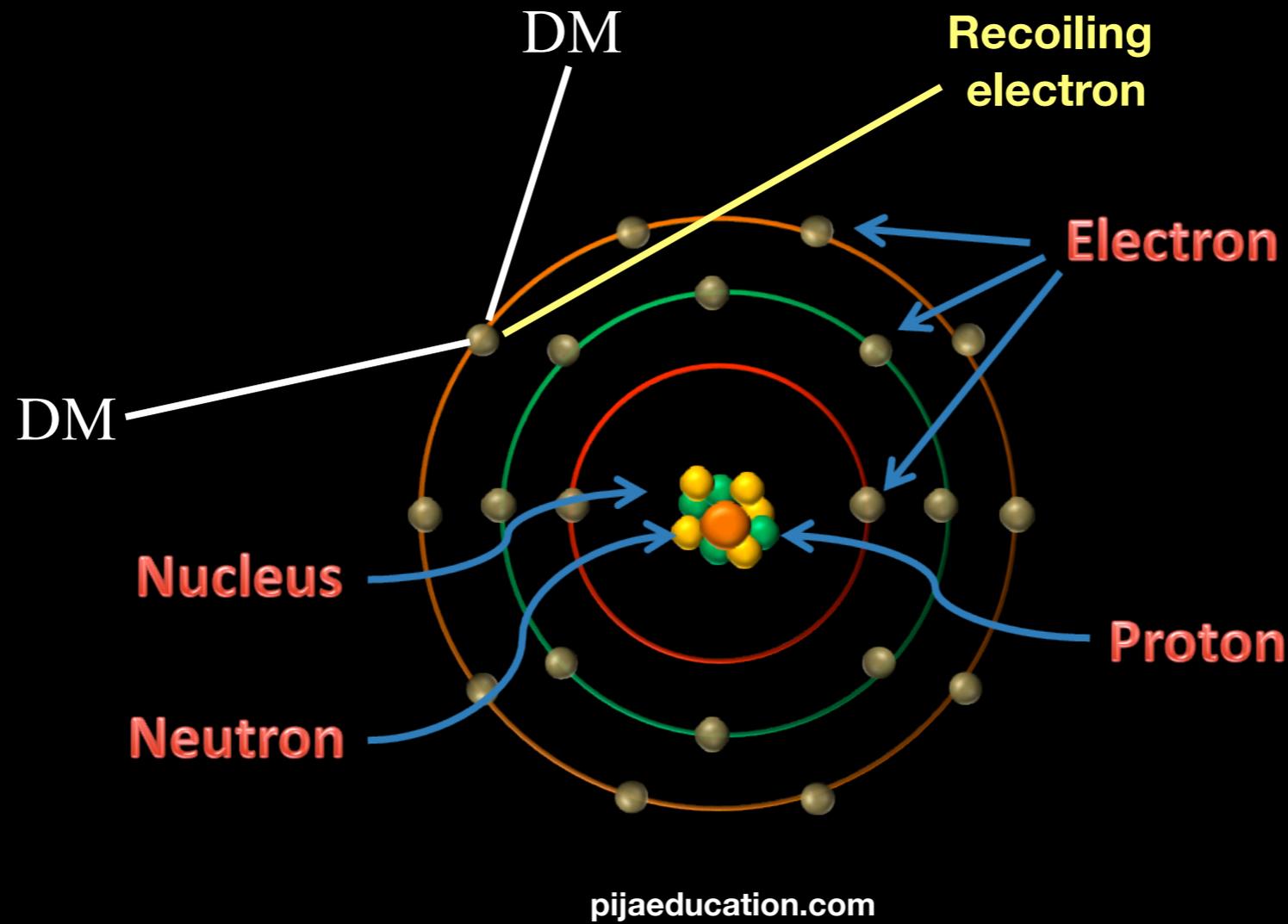
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DM-
nucleus
interaction
strength

Particle
physics
models
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Electron Scattering



Electron
recoil
rate

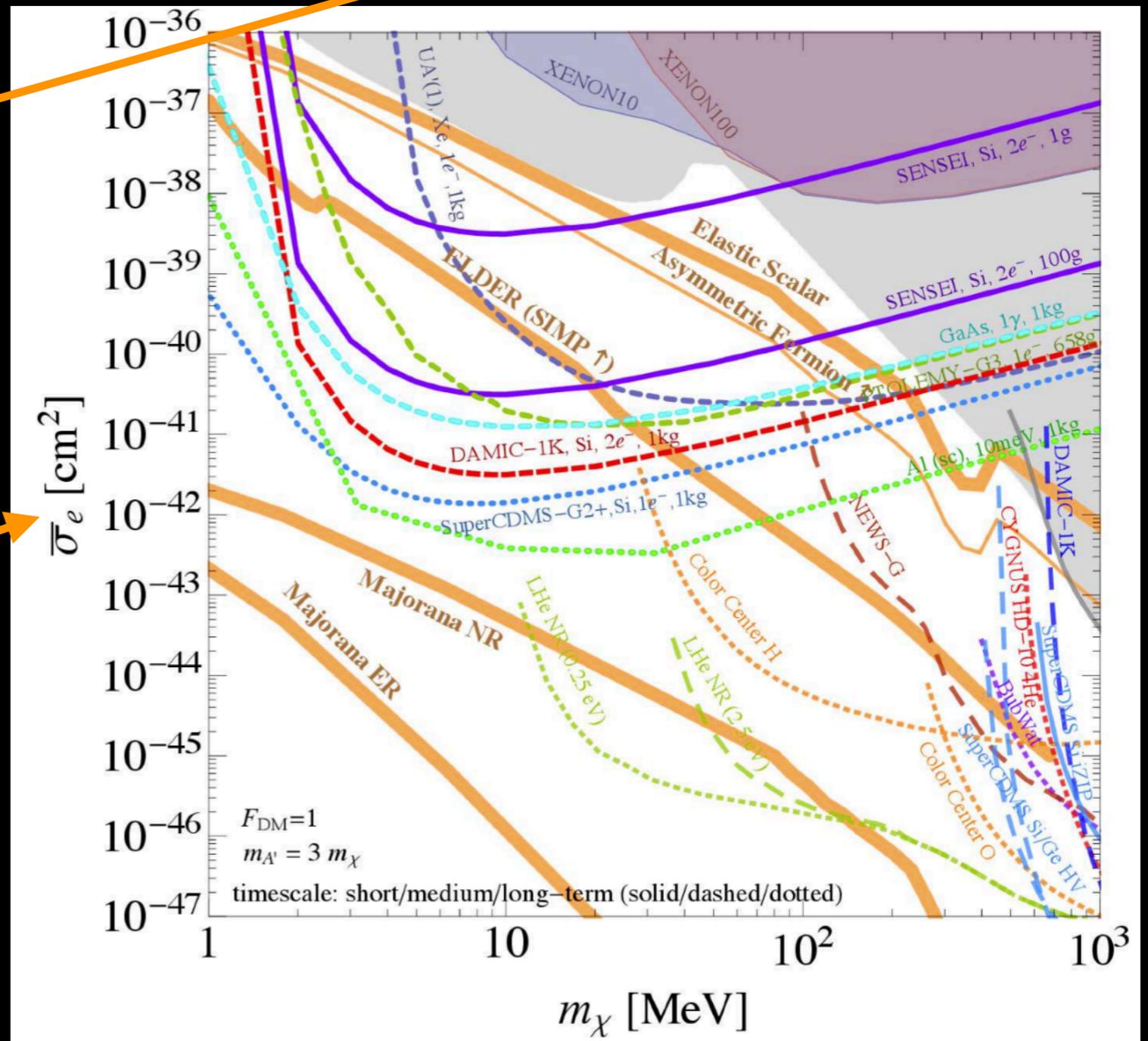
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Fit electron recoil rate to experimental data to understand DM parameter space

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Particle physics information enters here

DM - electron interaction strength



Example Dark Matter Study

In 2019 I published a paper where I studied Inelastic dark matter at fixed target & collider experiments

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Revisiting the dark photon explanation of the muon anomalous magnetic moment

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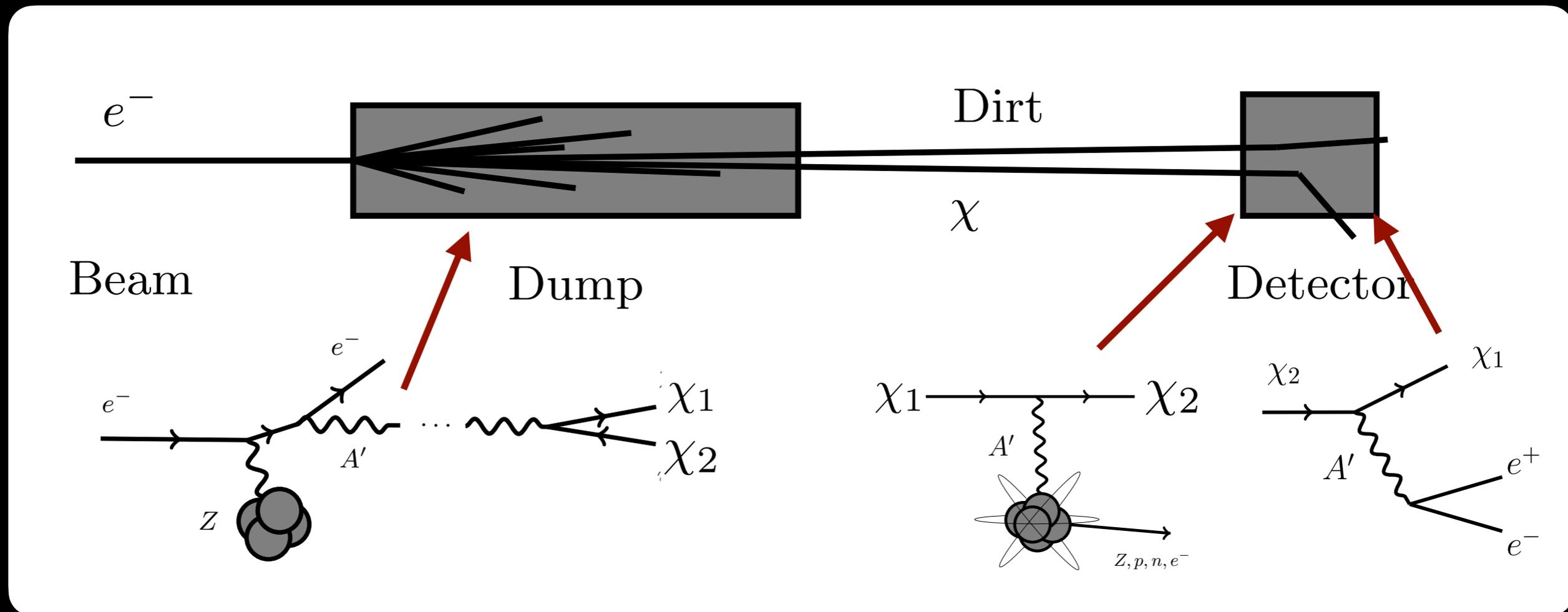
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A massive $U(1)'$ gauge boson known as a “dark photon” or A' , has long been proposed as a potential explanation for the discrepancy observed between the experimental measurement and theoretical determination of the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon ($g_\mu - 2$) anomaly. Recently, experimental results have excluded this possibility for a dark photon exhibiting exclusively visible or invisible decays. In this work, we revisit this idea and consider a model where A' couples inelastically to dark matter and an excited dark sector state, leading to a more exotic decay topology we refer to as a semivisible decay. We show that for large mass splittings between the dark sector states this decay mode is enhanced, weakening the previous invisibly decaying dark photon bounds. As a consequence, A' resolves the $g_\mu - 2$ anomaly in a region of parameter

DM is accompanied by heavier dark sector particle

Dark sector connected to SM via new force carrier called dark photon

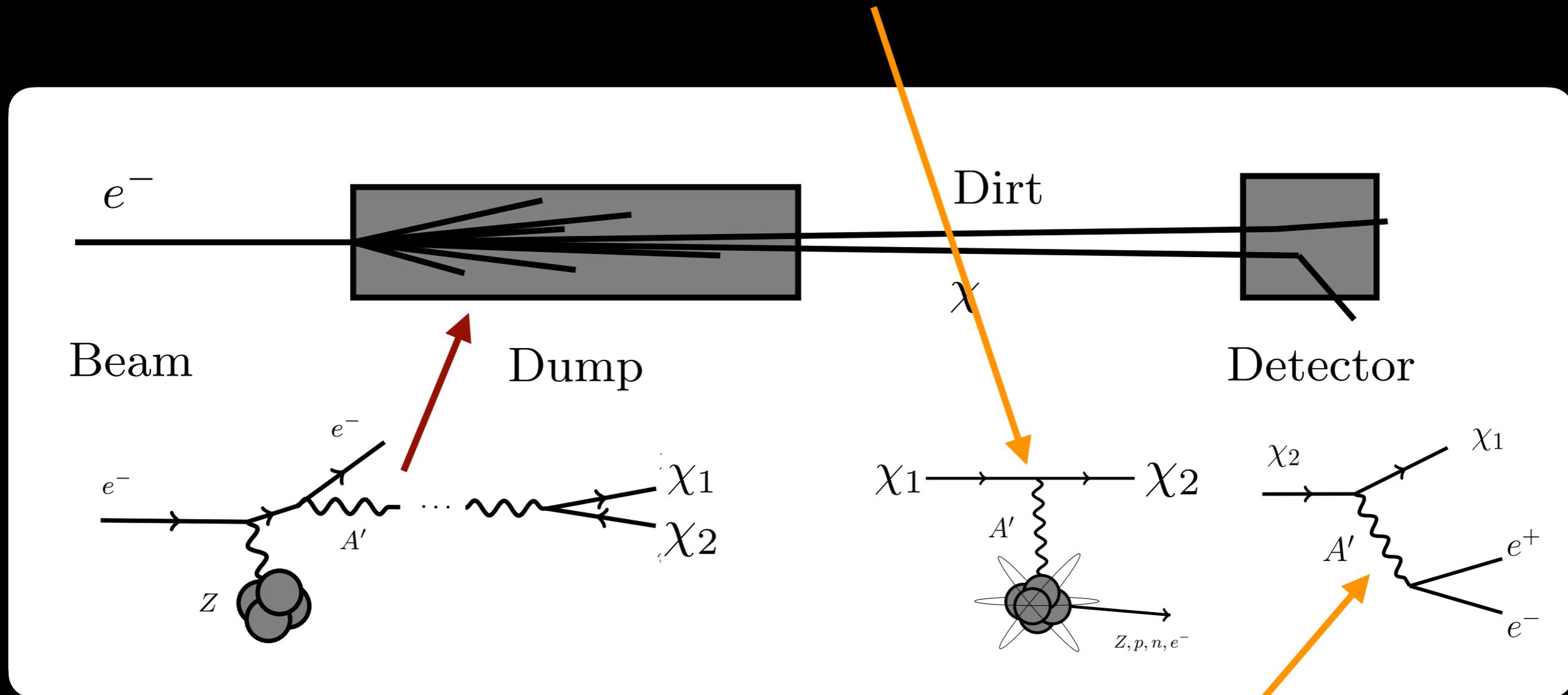
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DM and heavier dark sector state travel to detector

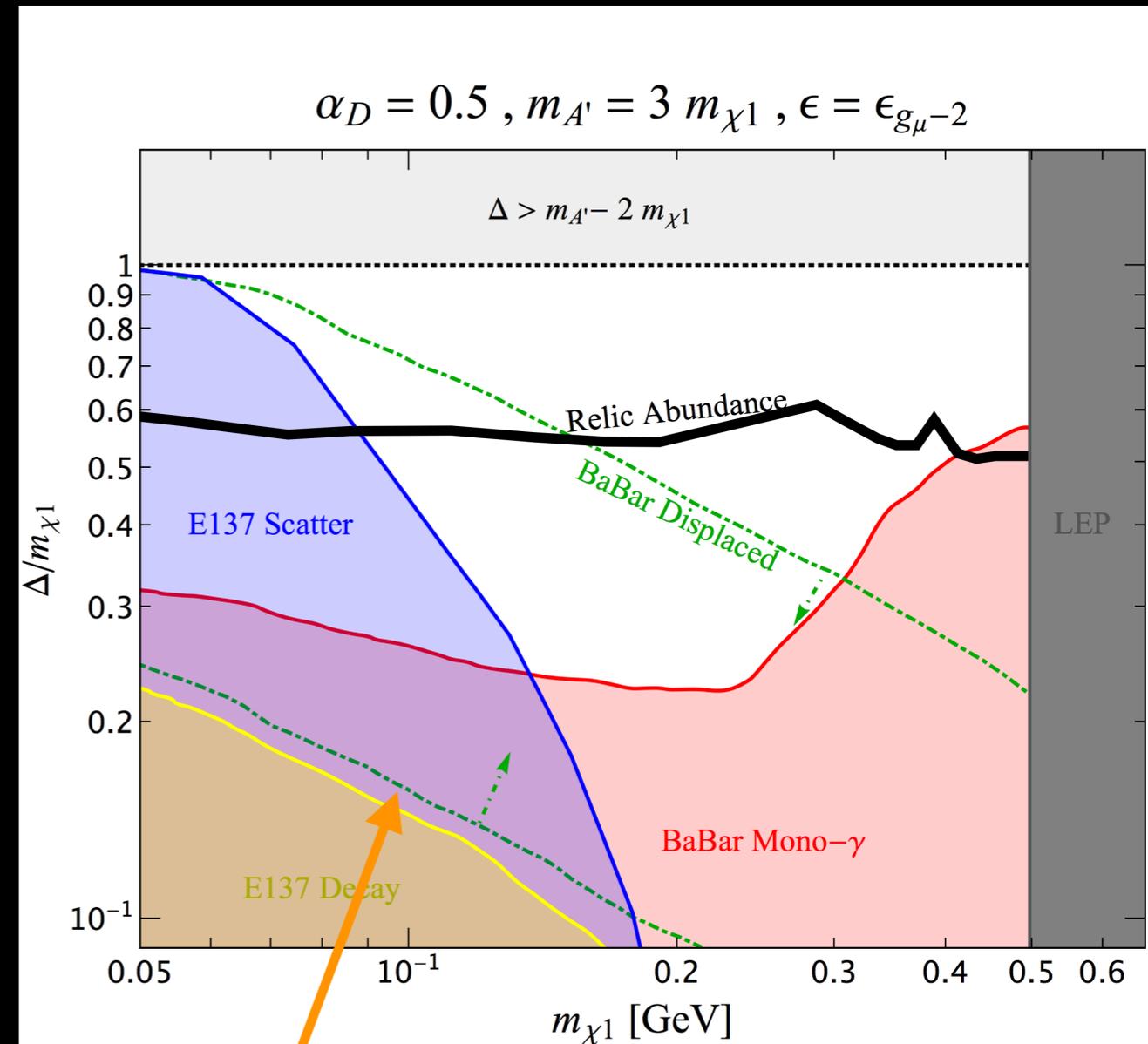
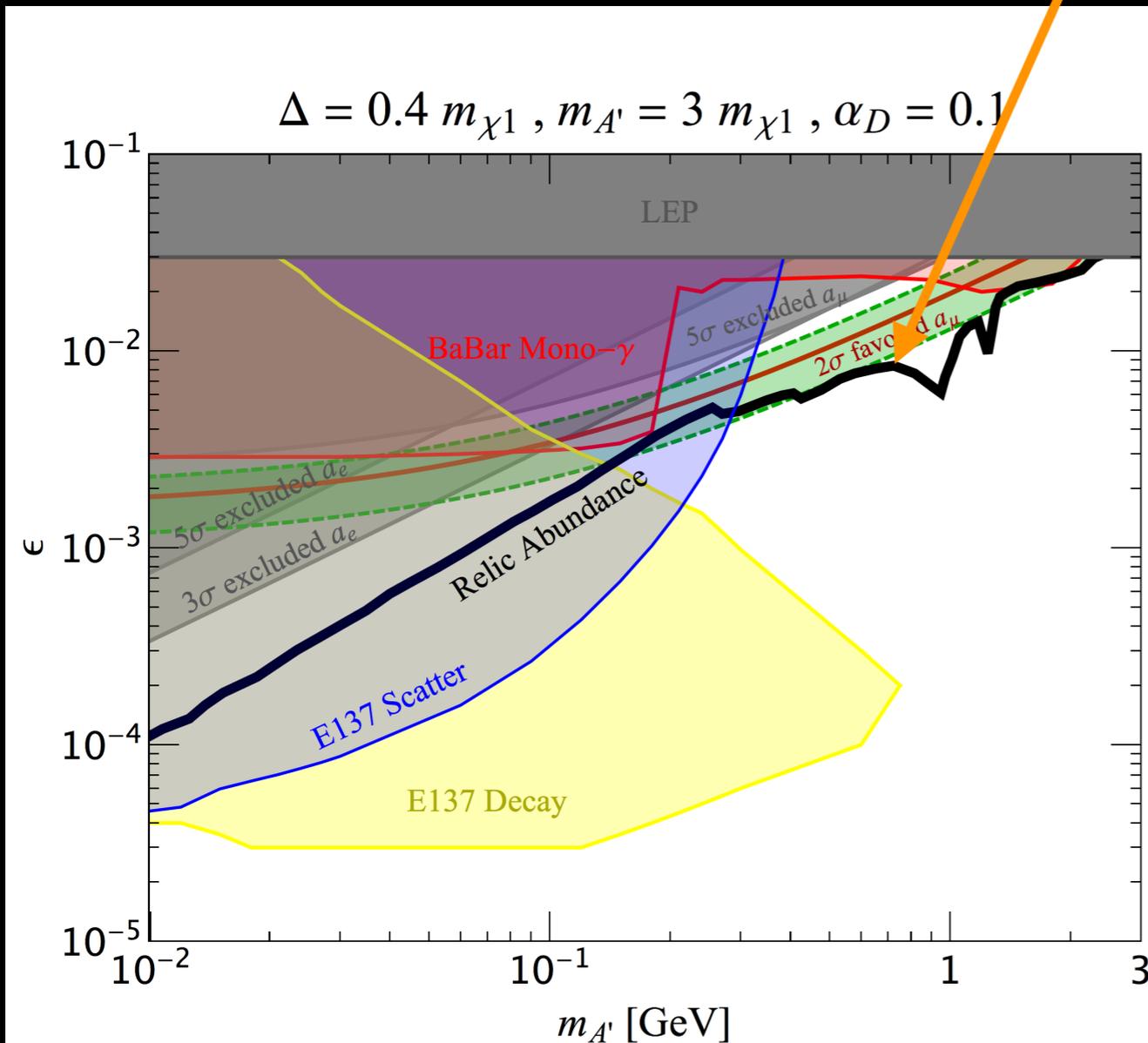
- DM can scatter with SM inside detector



- heavy state can decay to DM and SM particles inside detector

Experimental constraints on this model

Relic density calculation compared to data



Theory computations compared to accelerator experiment data

Recap: lecture 2

- Cosmological abundance and production of dark matter
- Calculation and Understanding of Relic density from Freeze-out
- Methods of detecting dark matter

Indirect detection

Production at colliders/Accelerators

Dark matter direct detection

- Example Inelastic dark matter study

Questions?

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