

# A search for Dark Matter using Tibet AS <sub>$\gamma$</sub>

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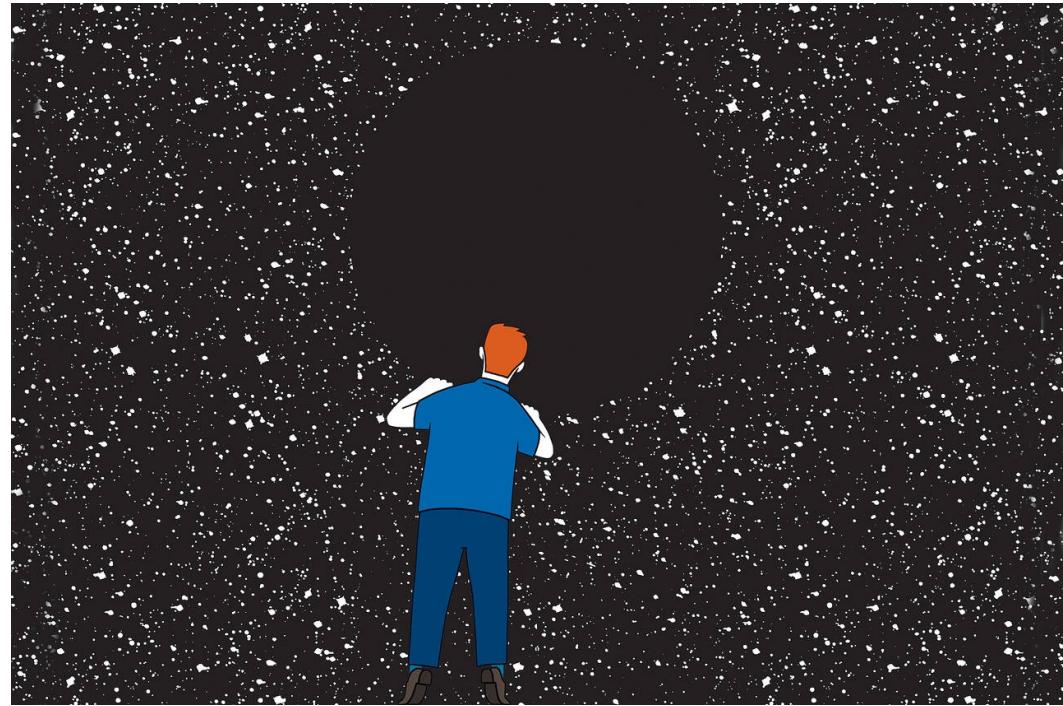
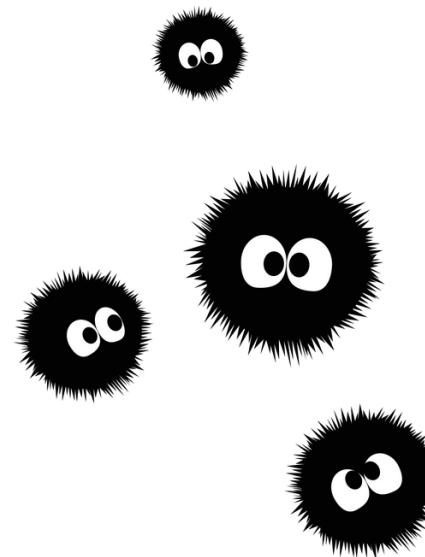
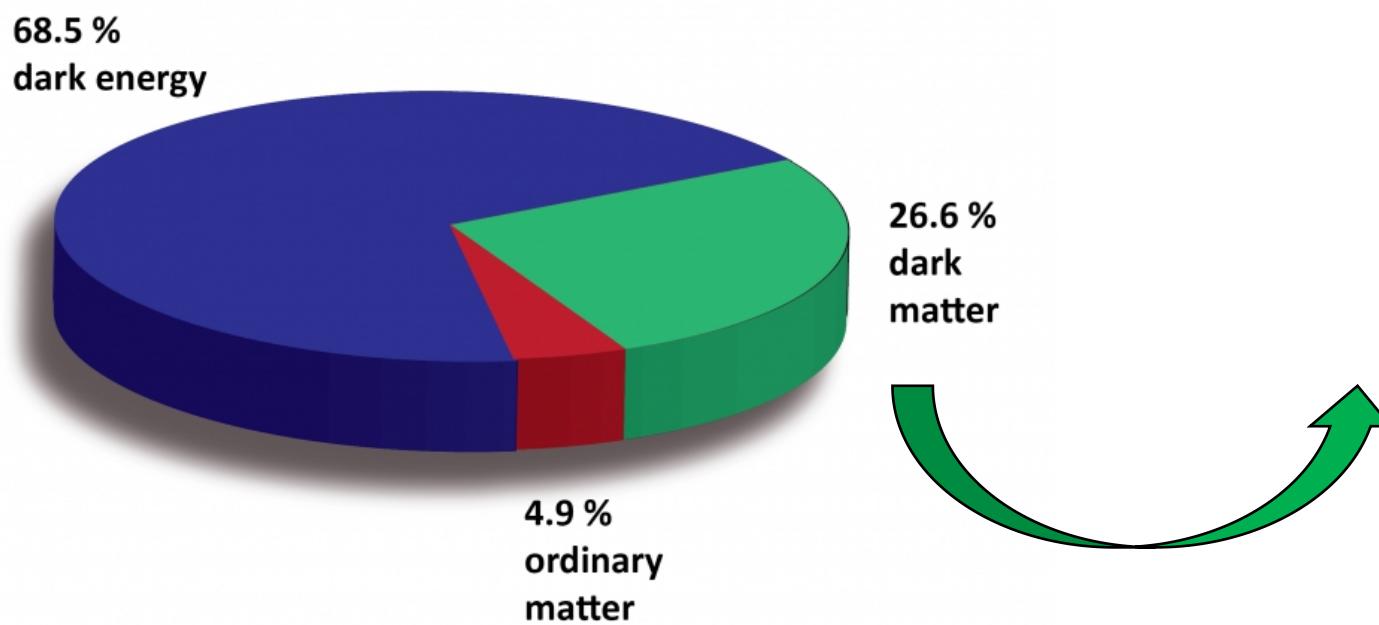


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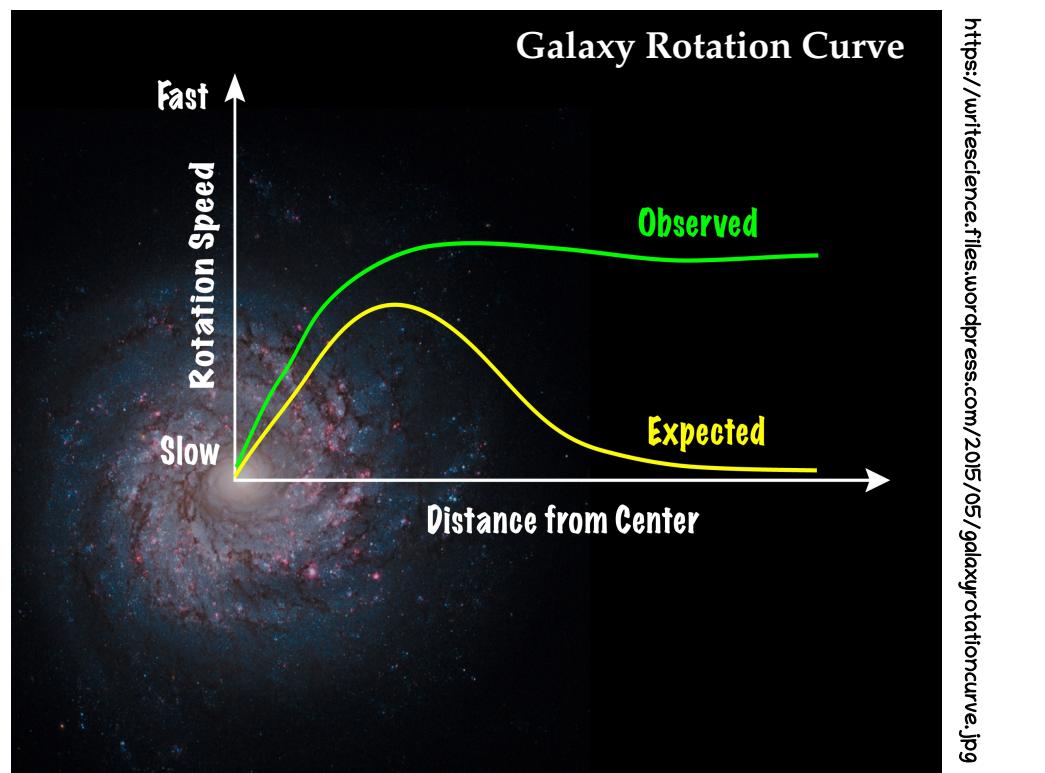
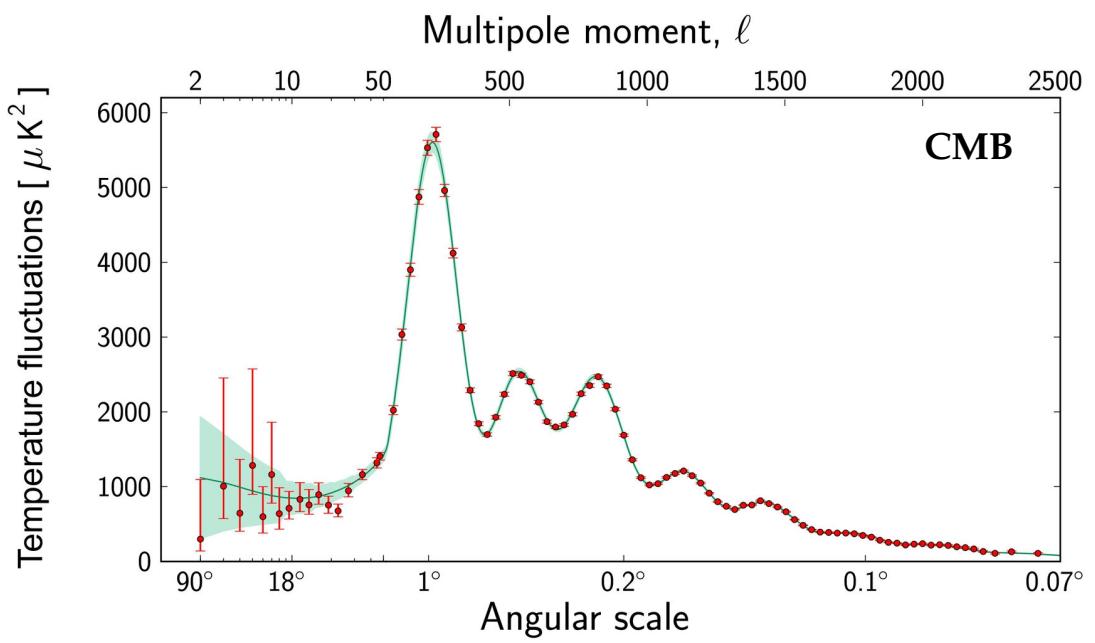
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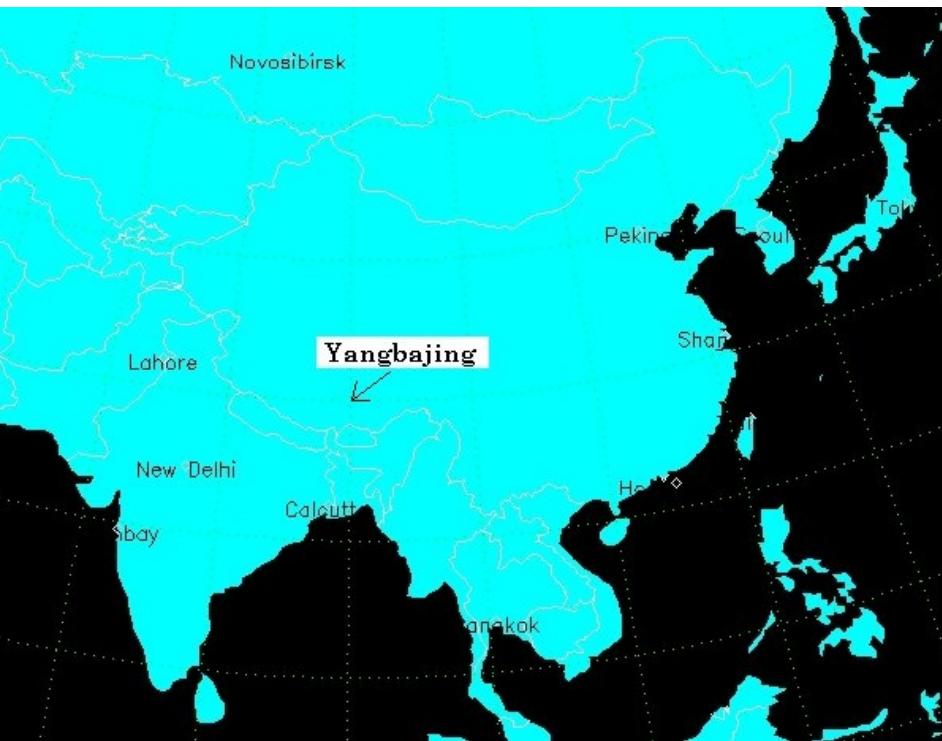
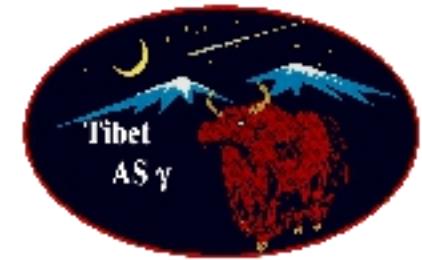
EVIDENCE



What about its non-gravitational interactions?



# Tibet AS <sub>$\gamma$</sub> Experiment



<http://www.icrr.u-tokyo.ac.jp/em/index.html>

# Recent result

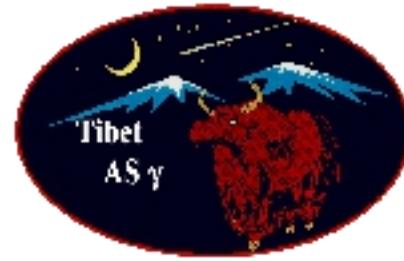
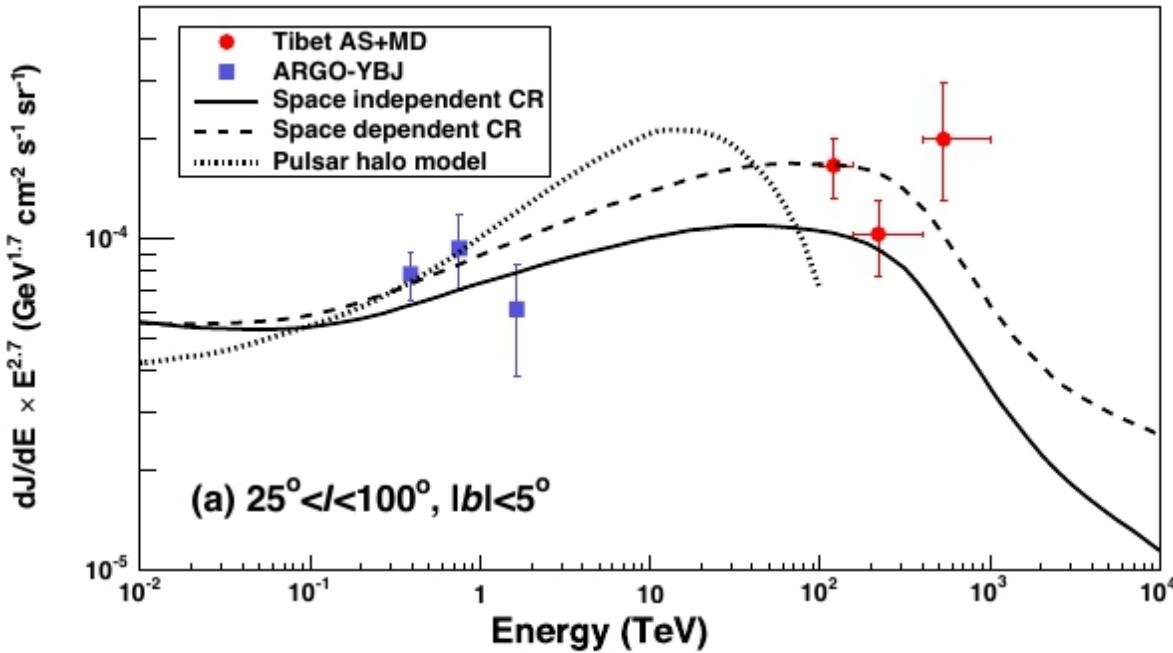
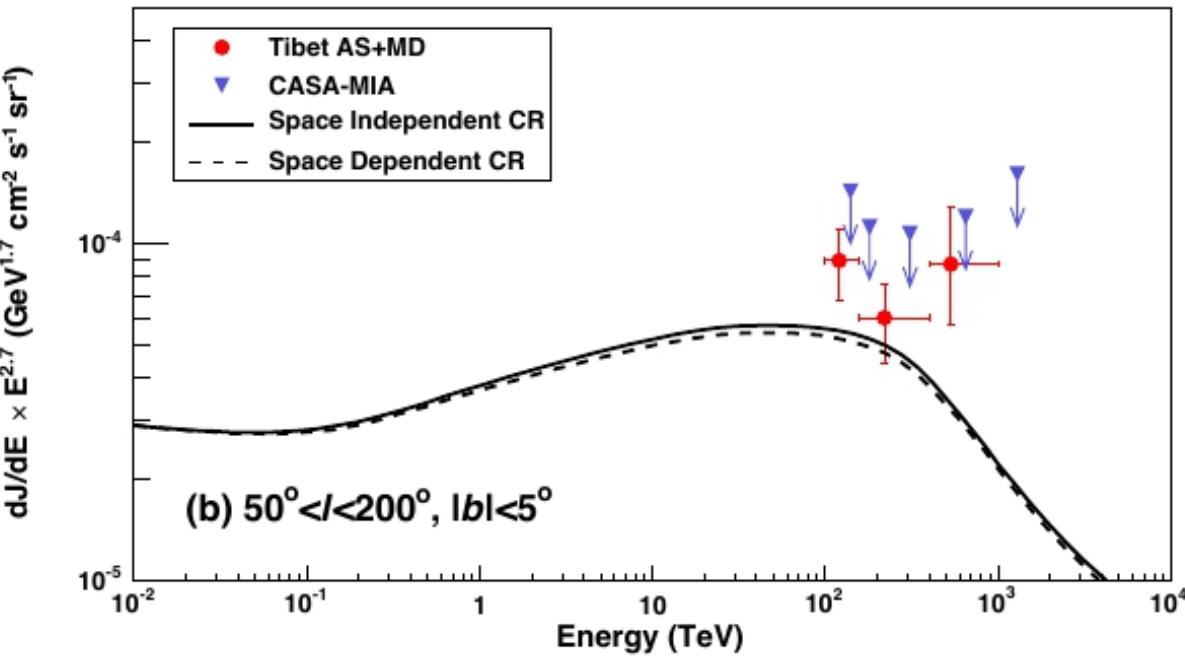


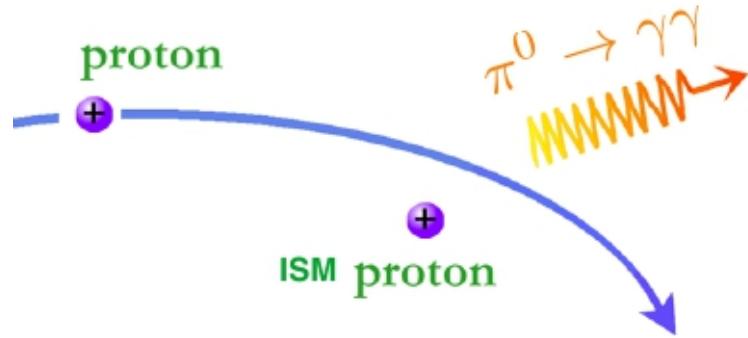
Fig : Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 141101



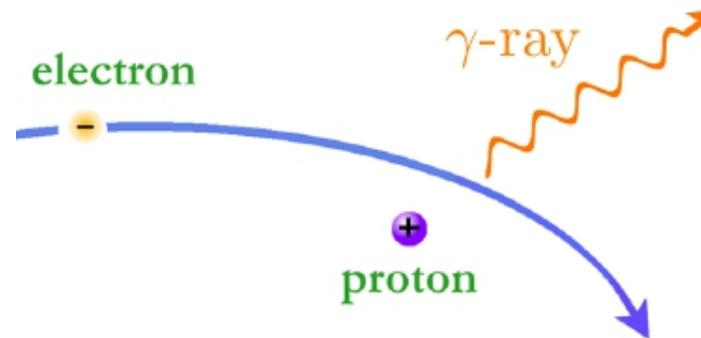
First ever detection of  
Galactic sub-PeV diffuse  
gamma rays !



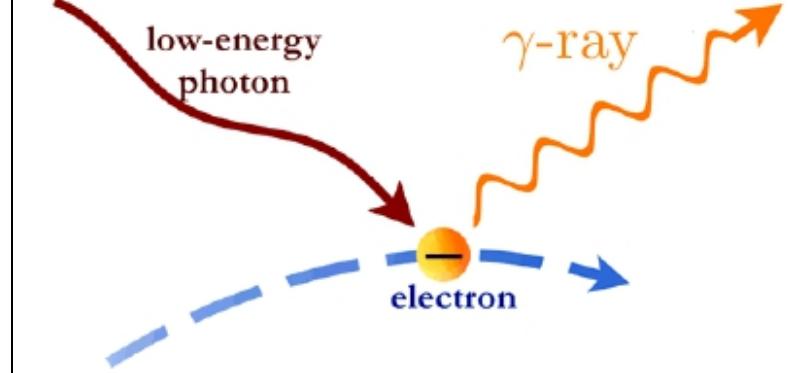
# Diffuse High Energy Gamma Ray Production



Pion Decay



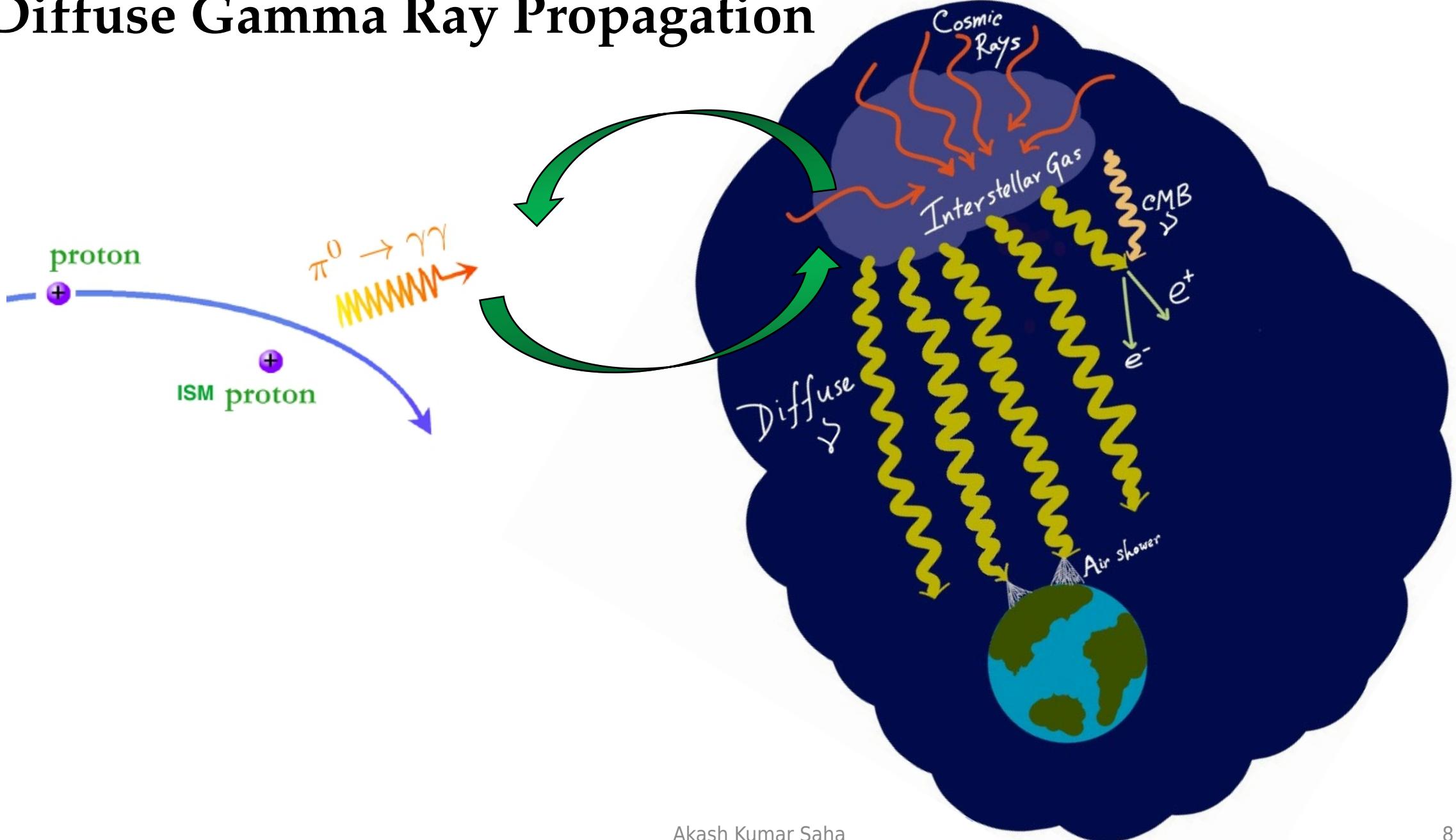
Bremsstrahlung



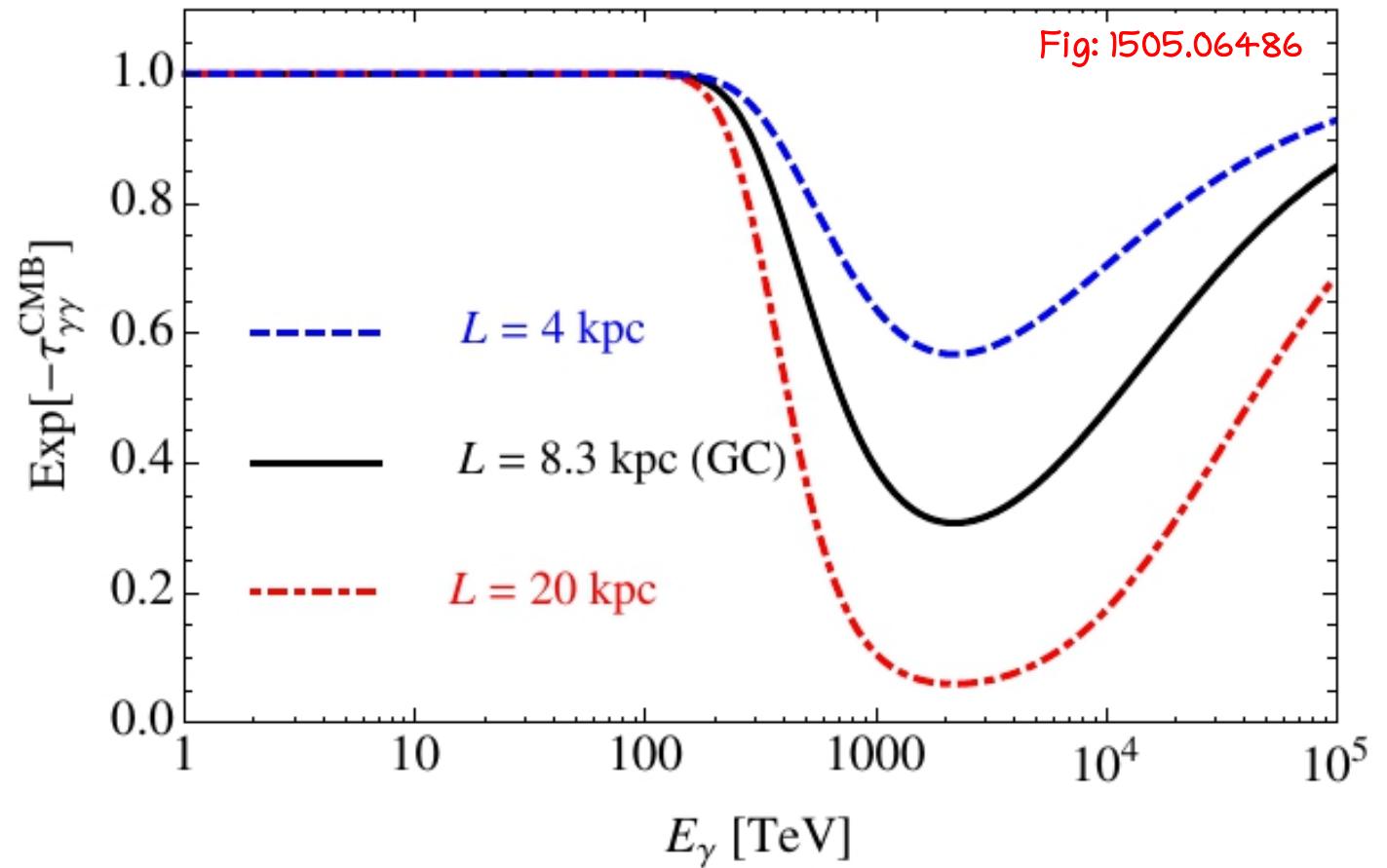
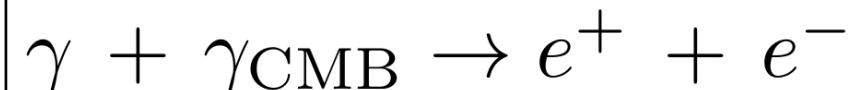
Inverse Compton

Fig: Francesca Calore (COSMO'21)

# Diffuse Gamma Ray Propagation



# Diffuse Gamma Ray Attenuation



Arrival of VHE diffuse gamma ray means that their origin has to be Galactic !

# Diffuse Gamma Ray Detection

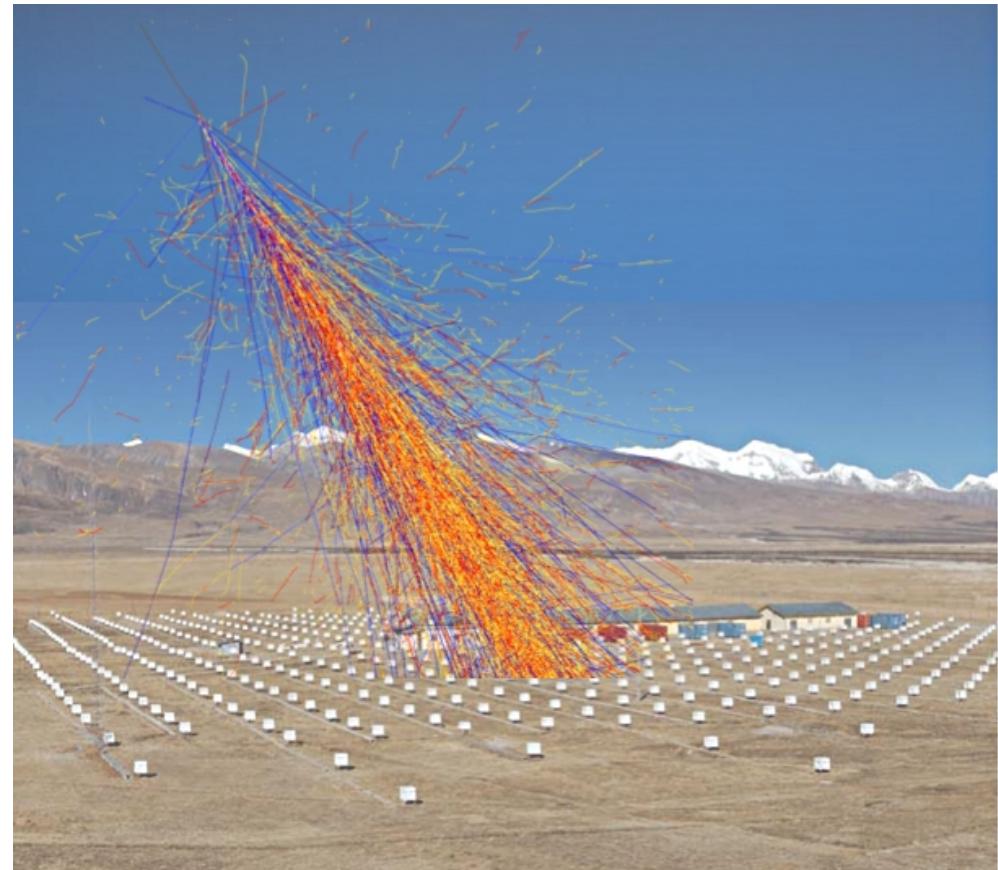
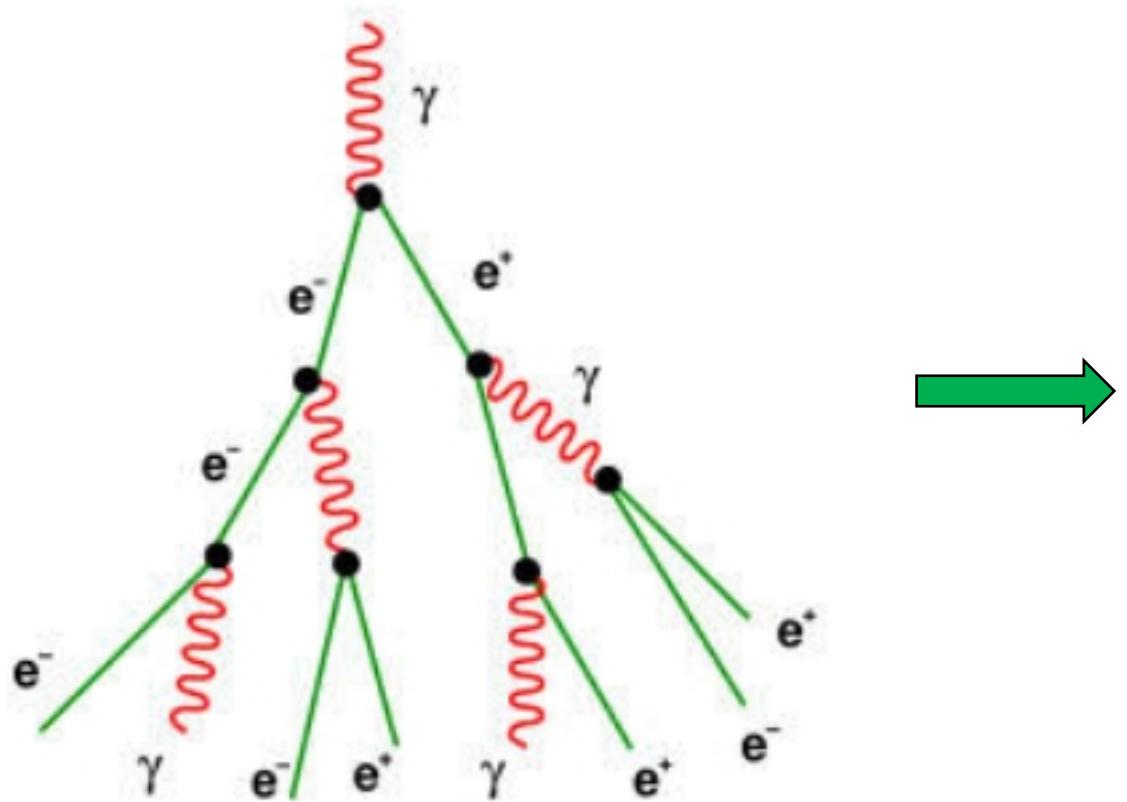


Fig: Tibet AS $\gamma$  Collaboration

# DM decay products

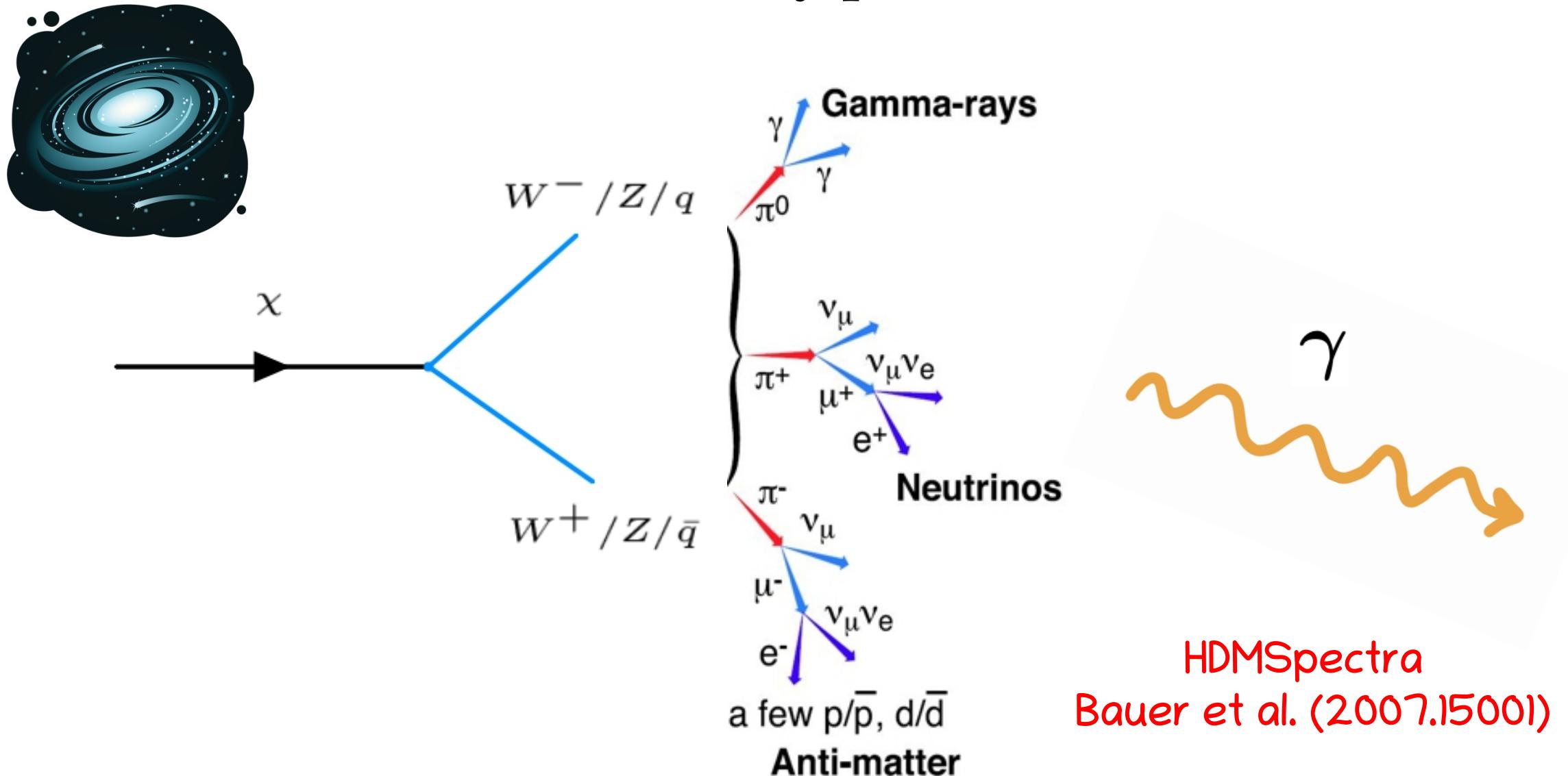


Fig: Christoph Weniger (ATI PhD school, UCLA, 2018)

# Calculating Gamma Ray flux from DM

$$\text{Flux} \rightarrow \frac{d^2\phi_\gamma}{dE_\gamma d\Omega}(E_\gamma) = \frac{1}{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\Delta\Omega} d\Omega \frac{1}{4\pi m_\chi \tau_\chi} \frac{dN_\gamma}{dE_\gamma}(E_\gamma)$$

Angular size

DM mass

DM lifetime

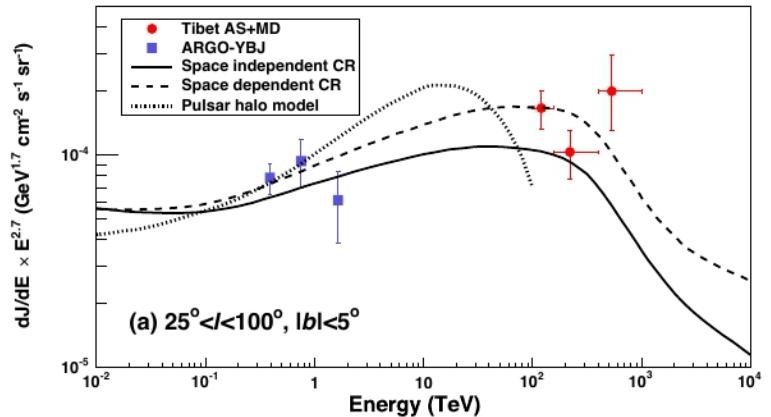
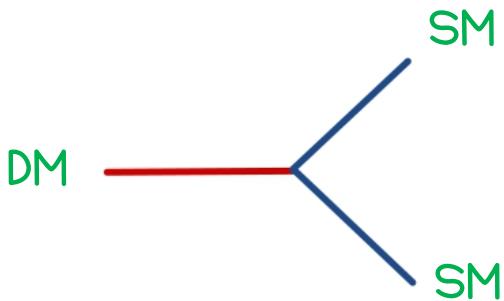
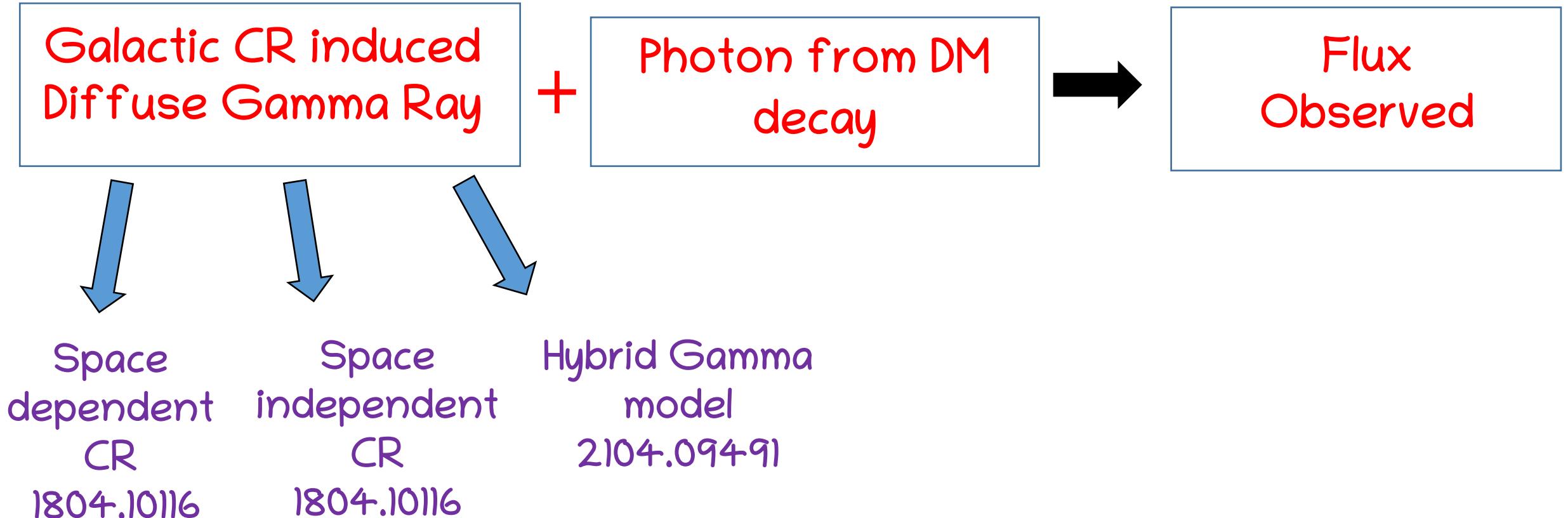
Emission Spectrum

L.o.s. integral

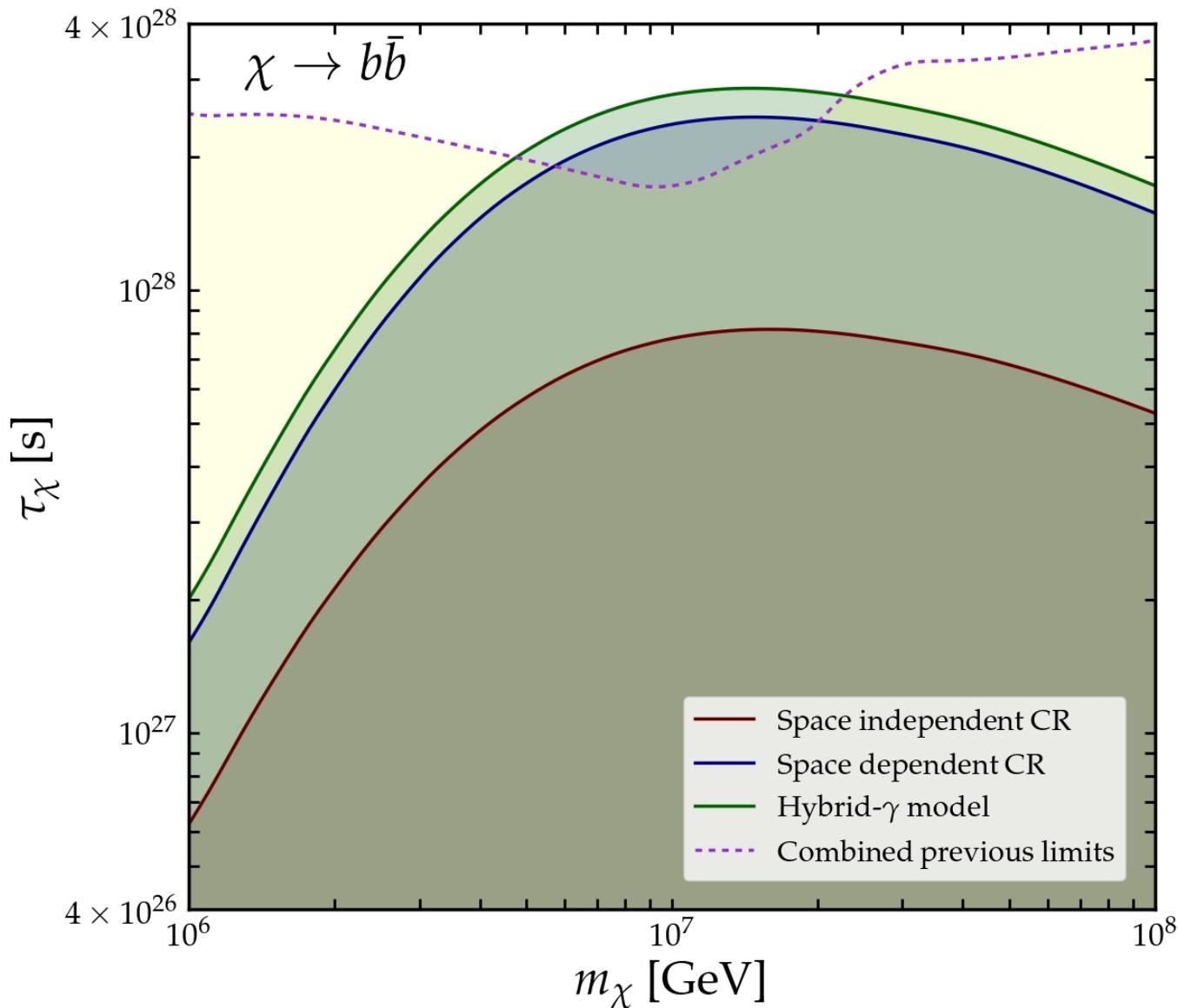
NFW profile

Attenuation factor

# Our Proposal

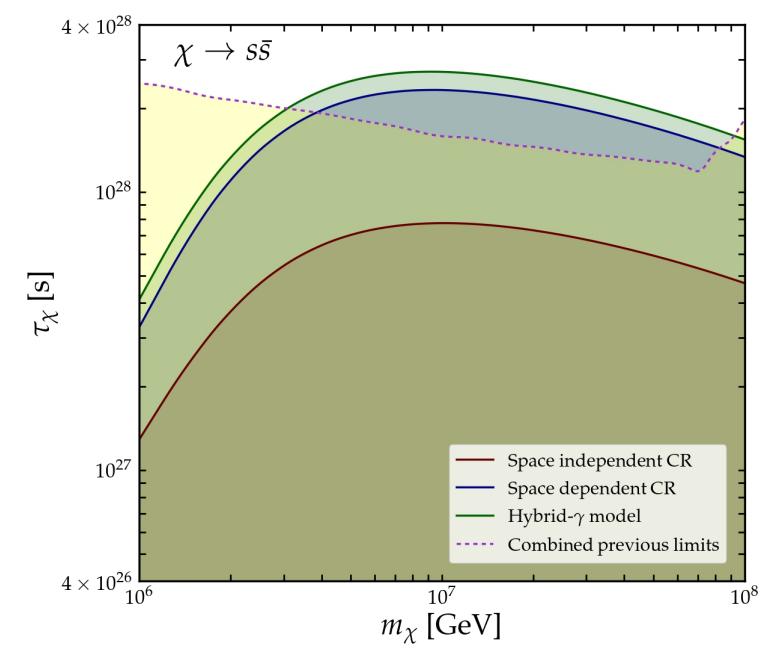
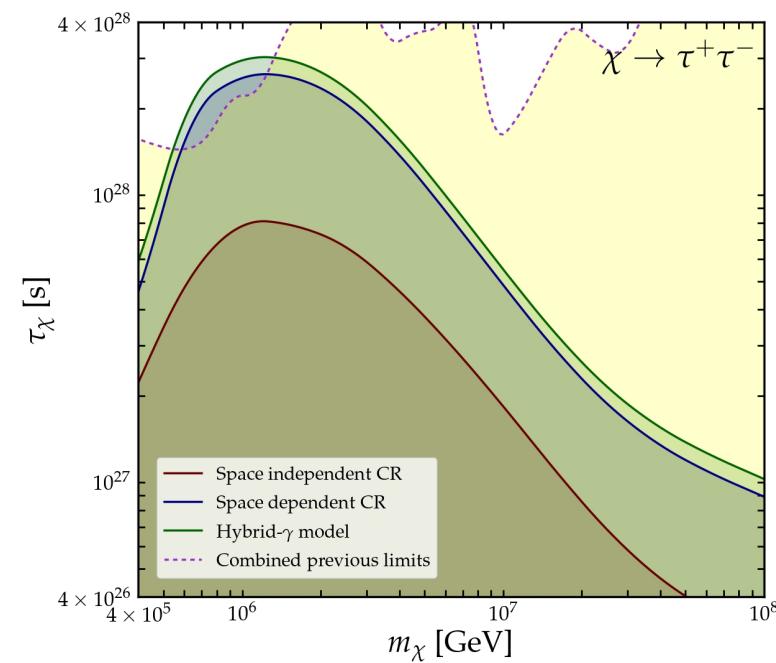
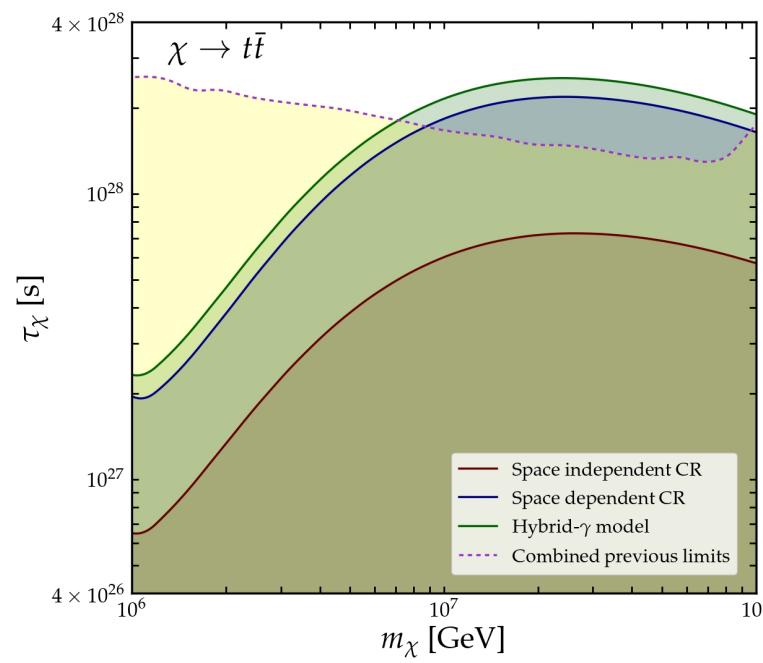
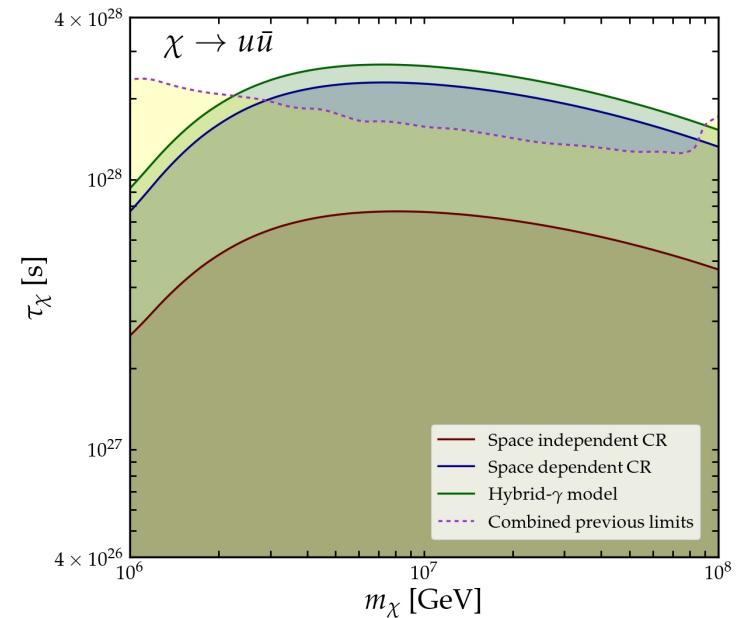
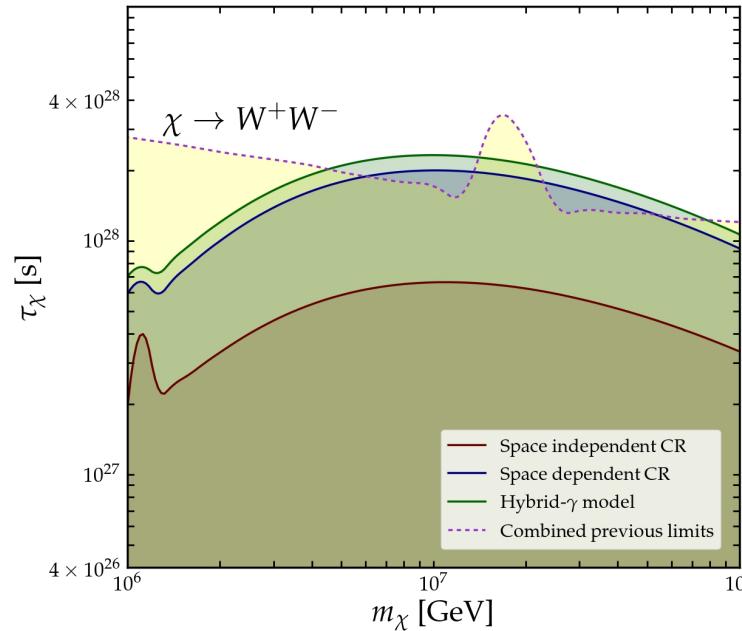
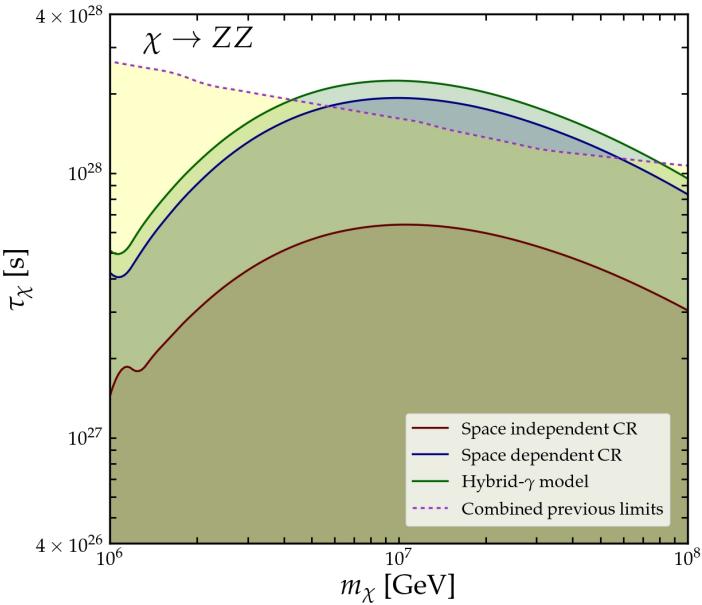


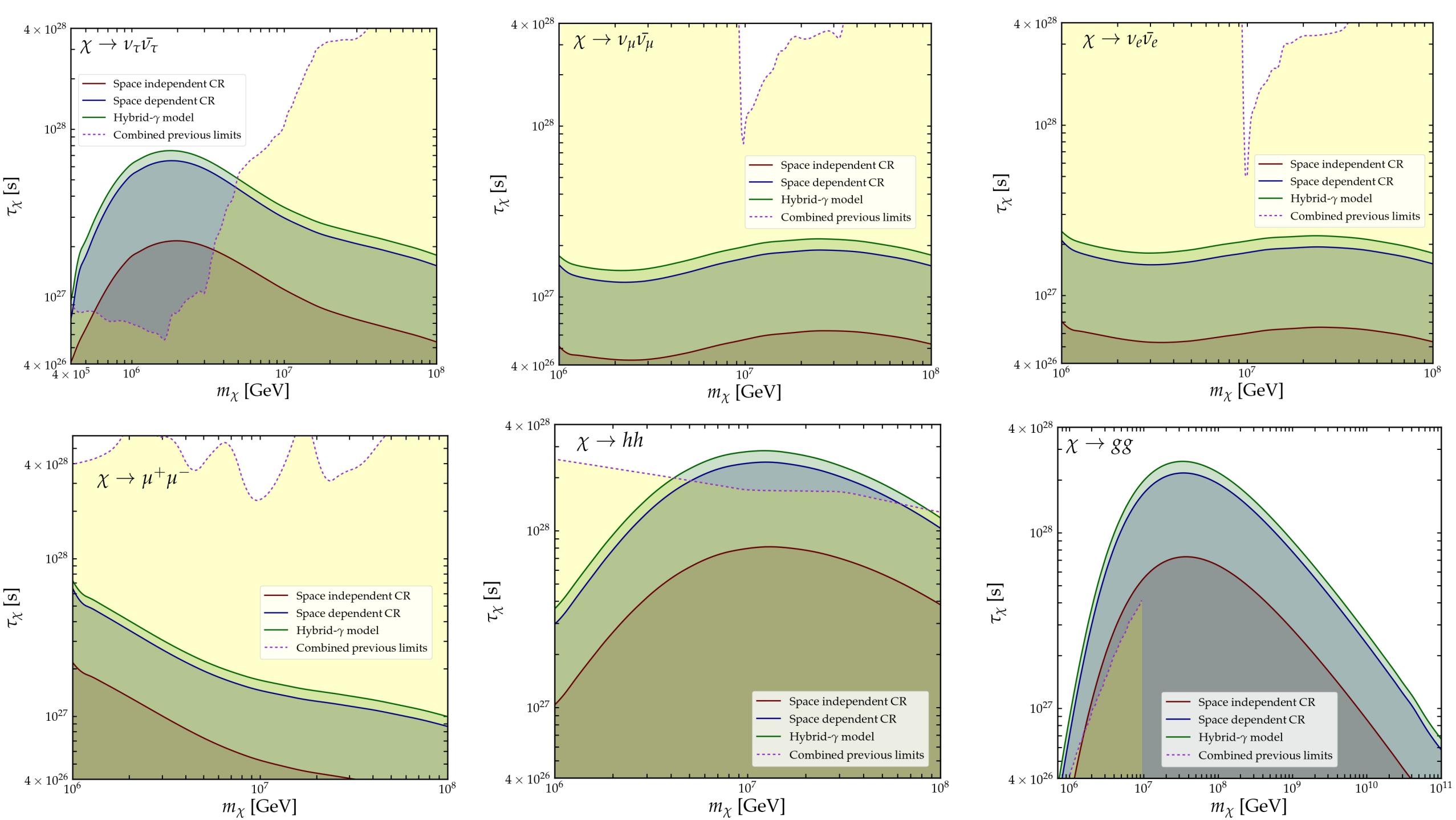
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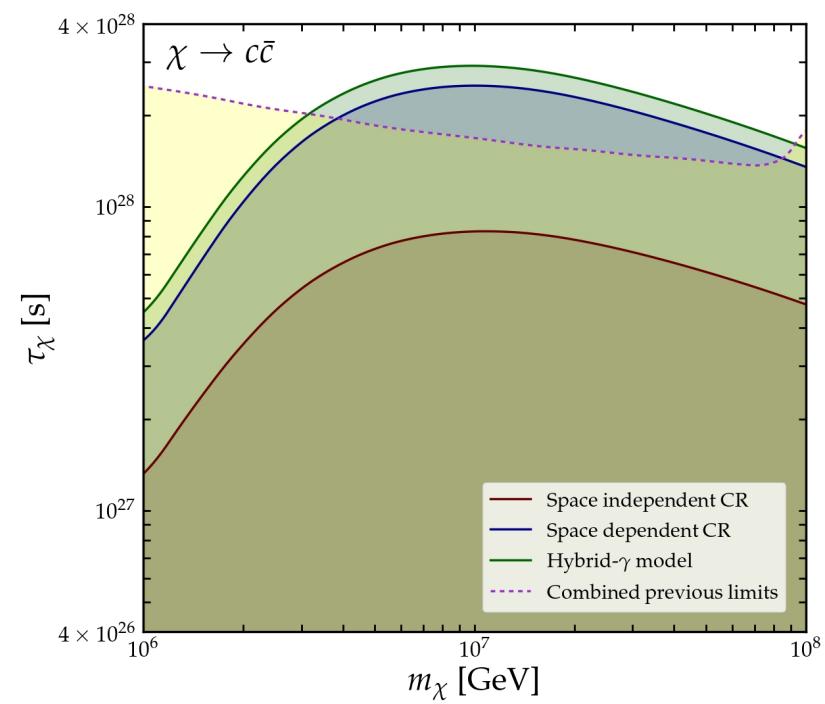
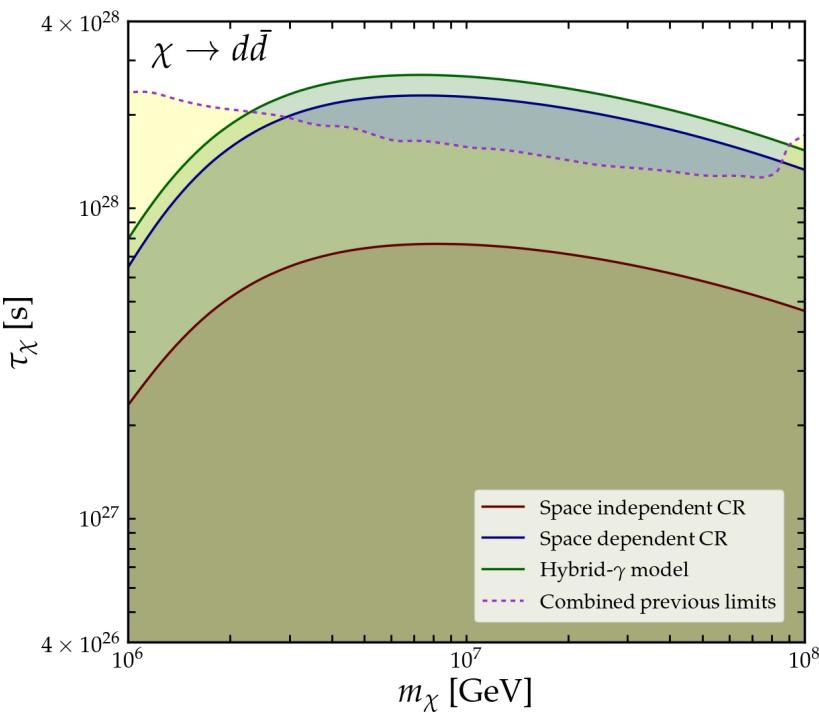
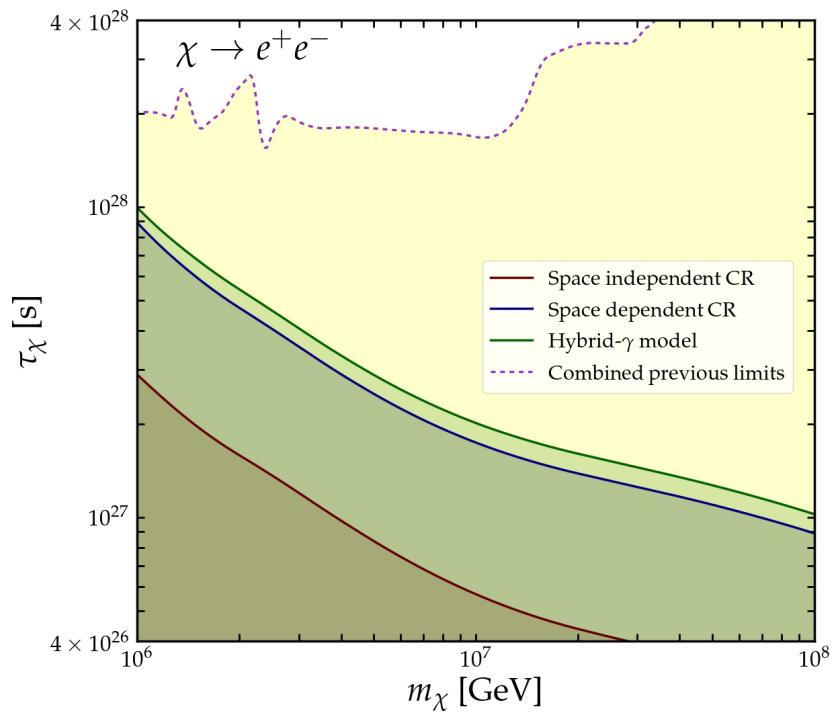


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# Large High Altitude Air Shower Observatory (LHAASO)

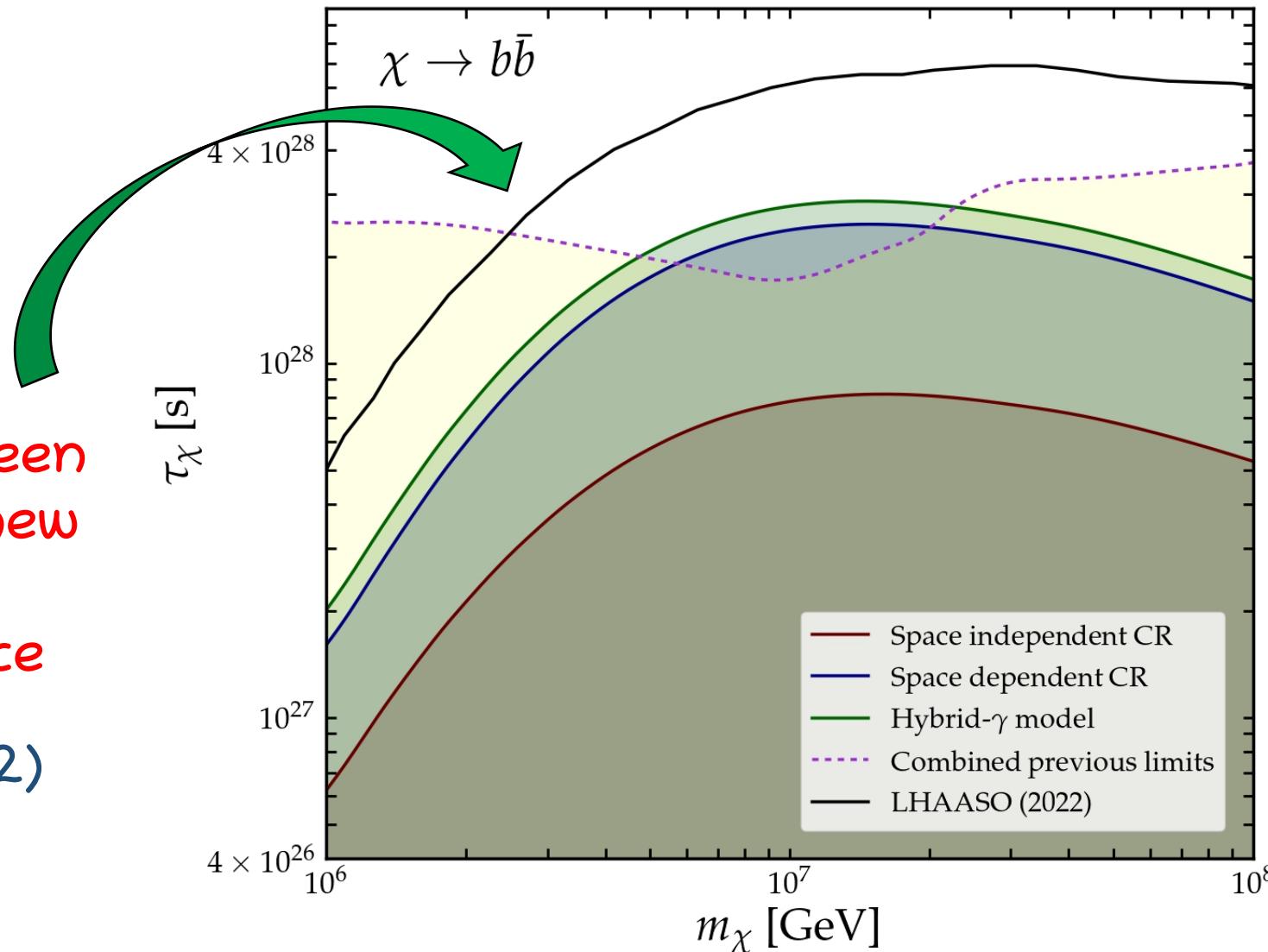


Credit: Liu Kun/Xinhua/Alamy

# Constraints on Decaying Dark Matter

LHAASO has been  
able to probe new  
regions of  
parameter space

Cao et al. (2022)  
2210.15989



# Summary

- Dark Matter makes up majority of the total matter content in the Universe
- Looking at the high energy diffuse gamma ray can be a very important discovery probe for DM
- In future with improvements in both theoretical and experimental aspects, we may either discover DM or put stringent constraints on its properties.

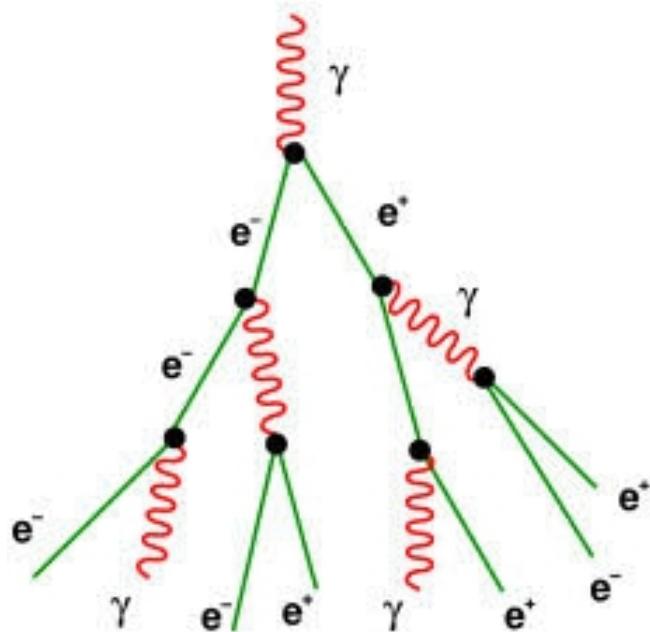
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Thank You !

# **Backup Slides**

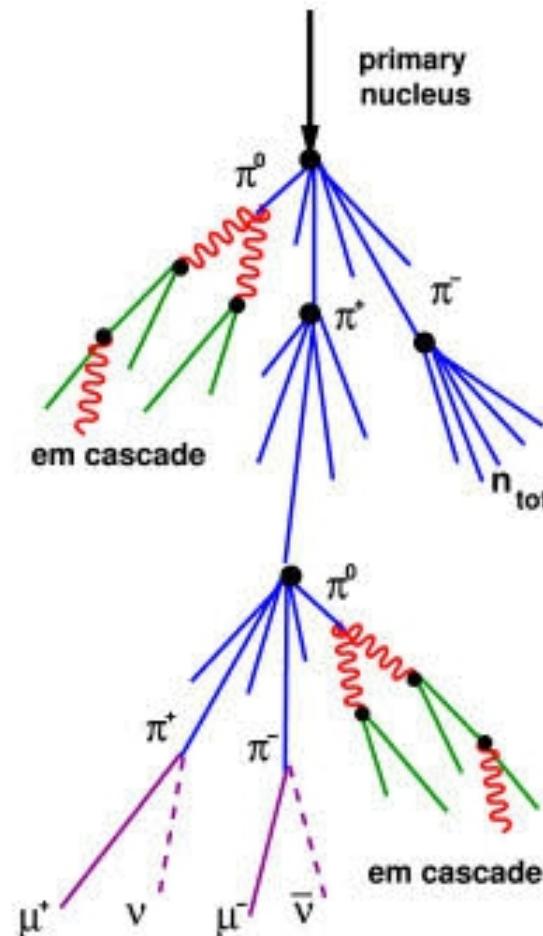
# Diffuse Gamma Ray Detection

Primary  $\gamma$



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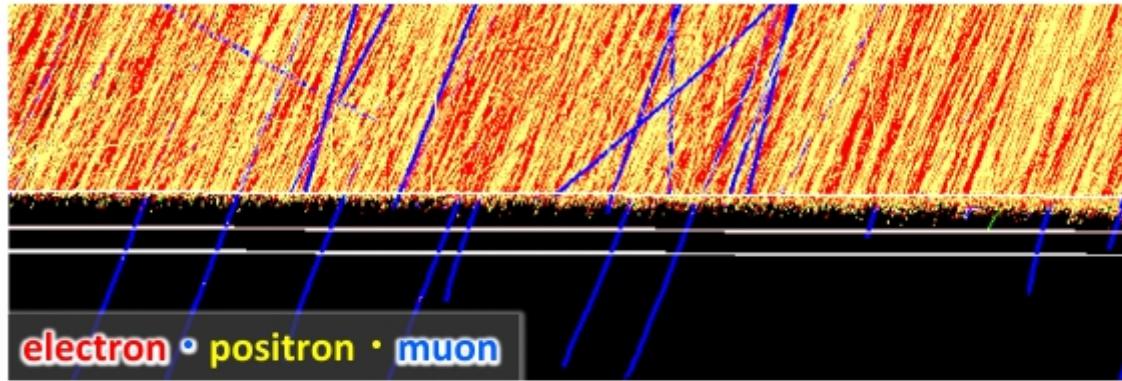
Cosmic Ray



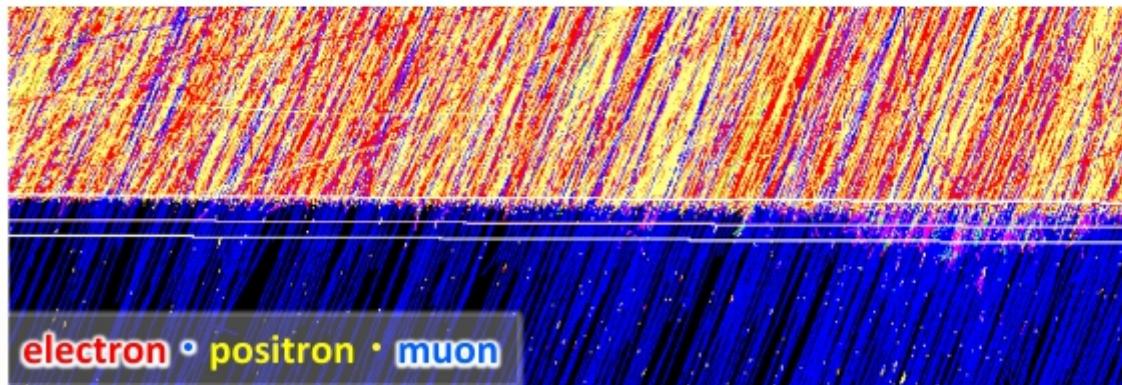
# Discriminating Gamma Ray induced Air-shower

Fig: Masato Takita, CRA2019

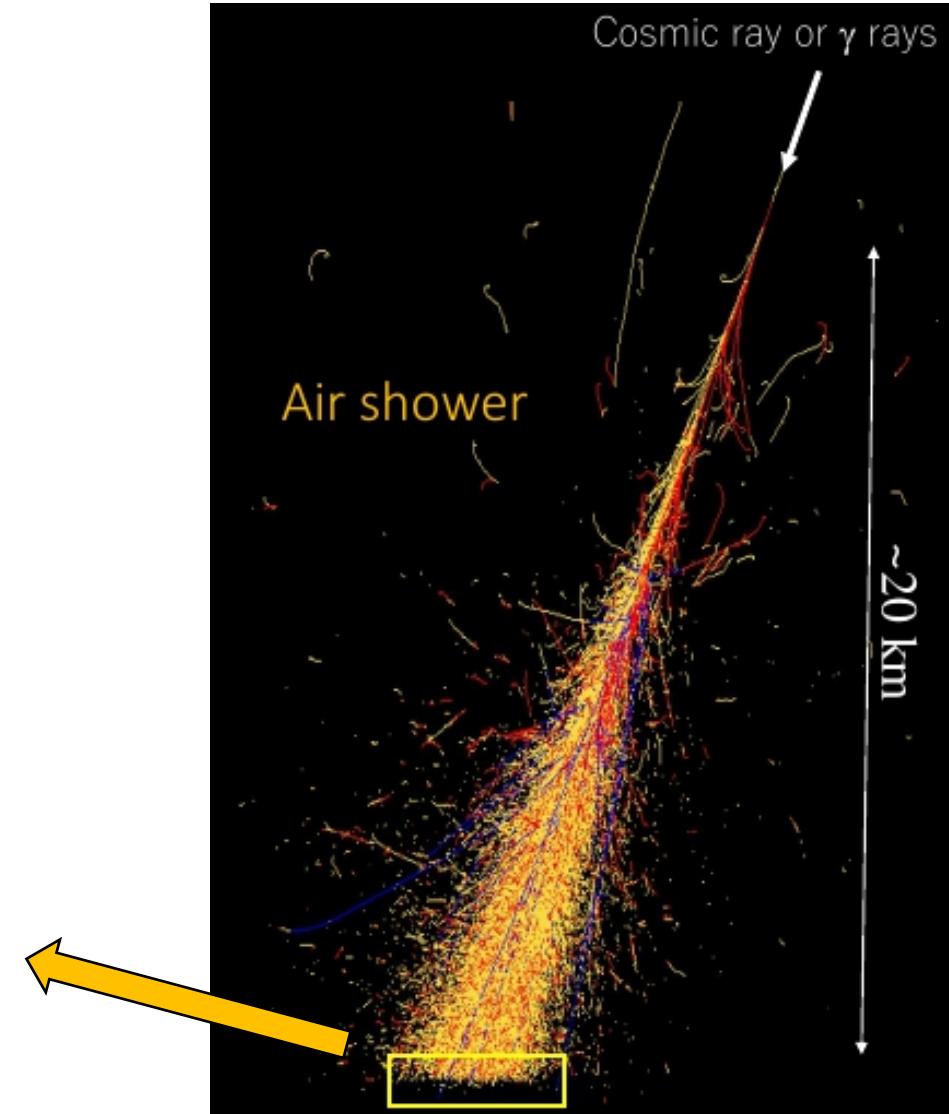
0.2PeV  $\gamma$ -ray

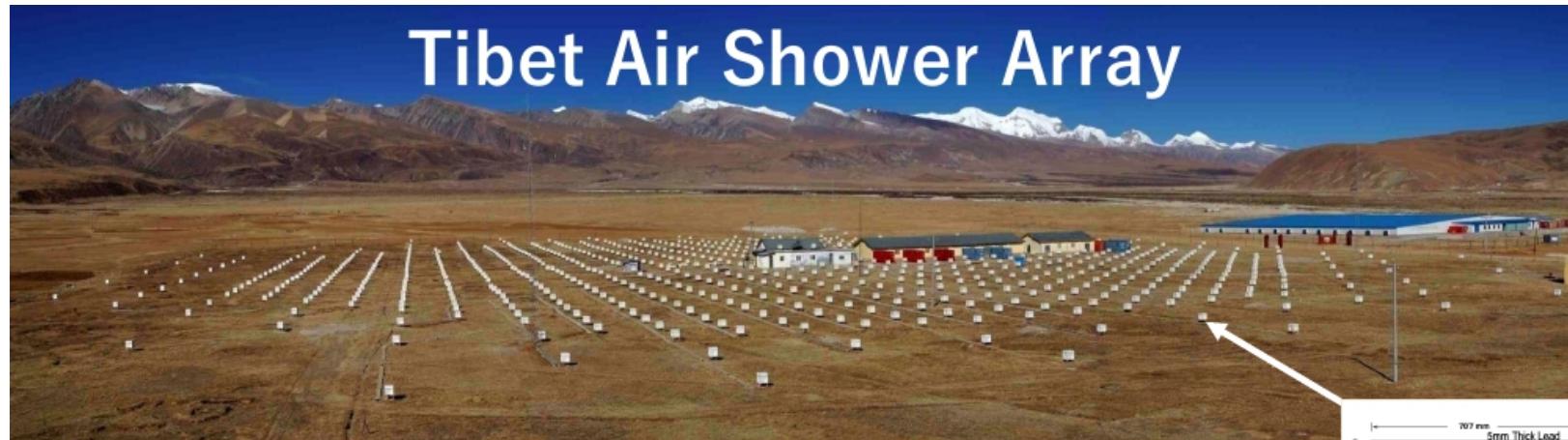


0.2PeV Cosmic ray (Noise)



→ Underground muon detectors





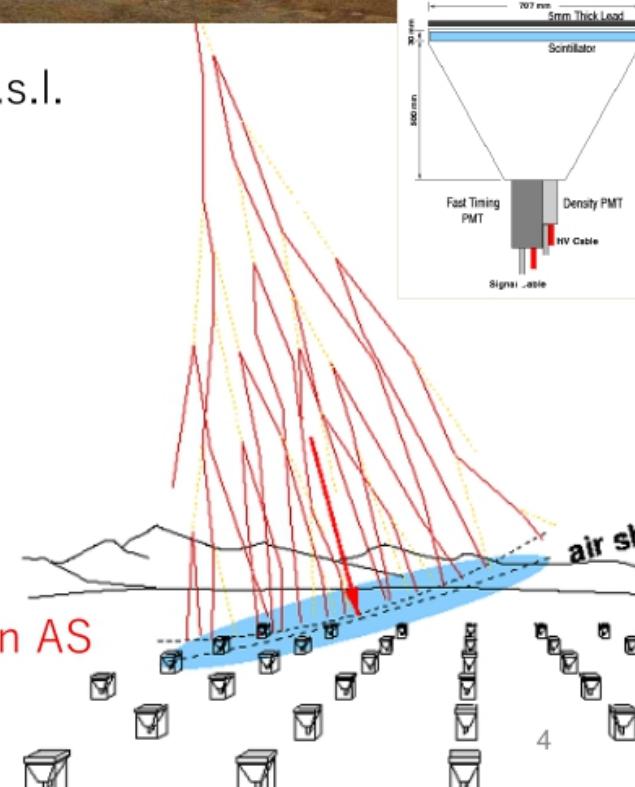
# Tibet Air Shower Array

□ Site: Tibet ( $90.522^{\circ}\text{E}$ ,  $30.102^{\circ}\text{N}$ ) 4,300 m a.s.l.

## Present Performance

□ # of detectors	$0.5 \text{ m}^2 \times 597$
□ Effective area	$\sim 65,700 \text{ m}^2$
□ Angular resolution	$\sim 0.5^{\circ}$ @10TeV $\sim 0.2^{\circ}$ @100TeV
□ Energy resolution	$\sim 40\%$ @10TeV $\gamma$ $\sim 20\%$ @100TeV $\gamma$

→ Observation of secondary (mainly  $e^{+/-}, \gamma$ ) in AS  
Primary energy : 2<sup>nd</sup> particle densities  
Primary direction : 2<sup>nd</sup> relative timings



# Diffuse gamma ray events seen by Tibet AS <sub>$\gamma$</sub> Experiment

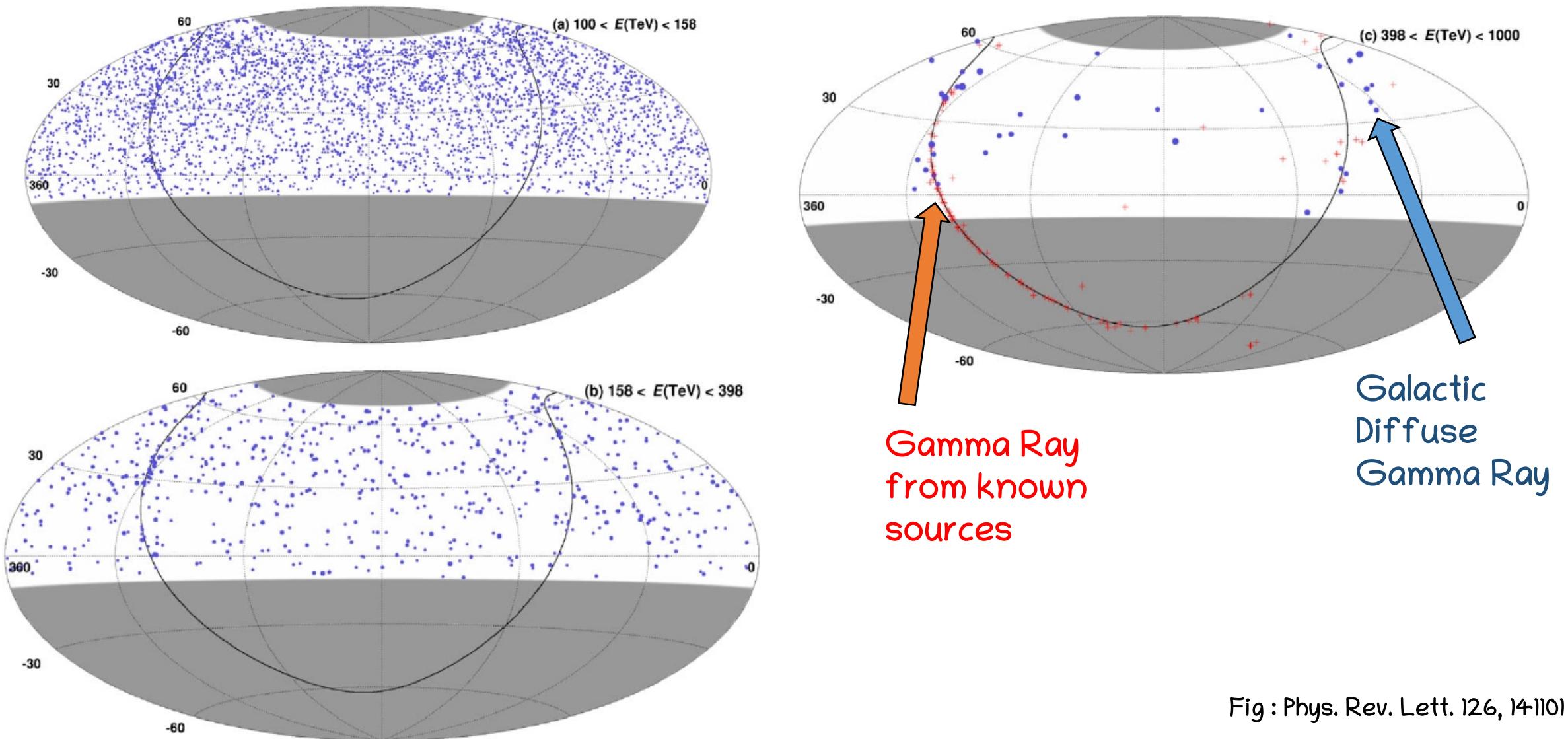


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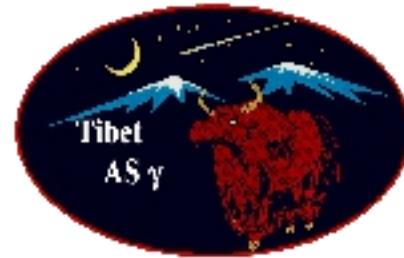


TABLE S2. Galactic diffuse gamma-ray fluxes measured by the Tibet AS+MD array.

Energy bin (TeV)	Representative $E$ (TeV)	Flux ( $25^\circ < l < 100^\circ,  b  < 5^\circ$ ) (TeV $^{-1}$ cm $^{-2}$ s $^{-1}$ sr $^{-1}$ )	Flux ( $50^\circ < l < 200^\circ,  b  < 5^\circ$ ) (TeV $^{-1}$ cm $^{-2}$ s $^{-1}$ sr $^{-1}$ )
100 – 158	121	$(3.16 \pm 0.64) \times 10^{-15}$	$(1.69 \pm 0.41) \times 10^{-15}$
158 – 398	220	$(3.88 \pm 1.00) \times 10^{-16}$	$(2.27 \pm 0.60) \times 10^{-16}$
398 – 1000	534	$(6.86^{+3.30}_{-2.40}) \times 10^{-17}$	$(2.99^{+1.40}_{-1.02}) \times 10^{-17}$

# Effect of SL + IR

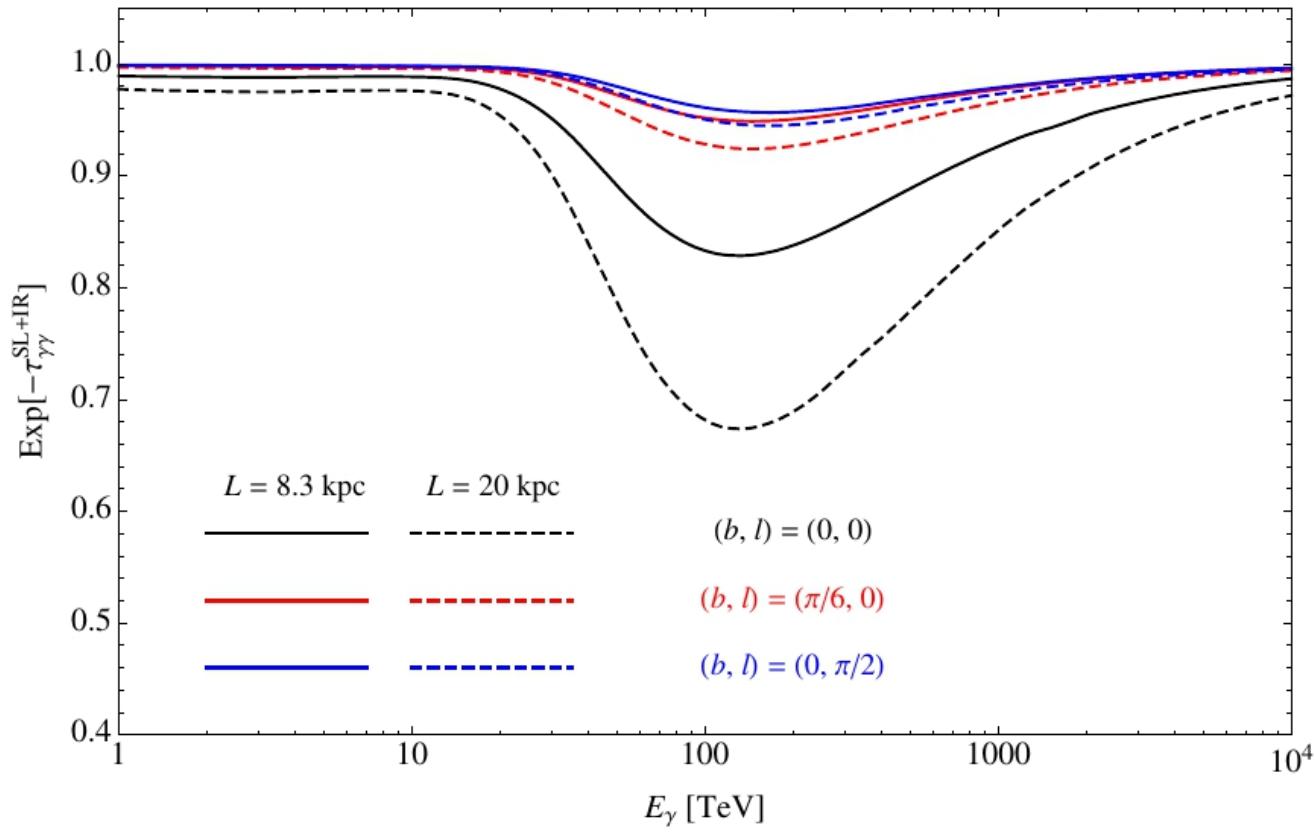
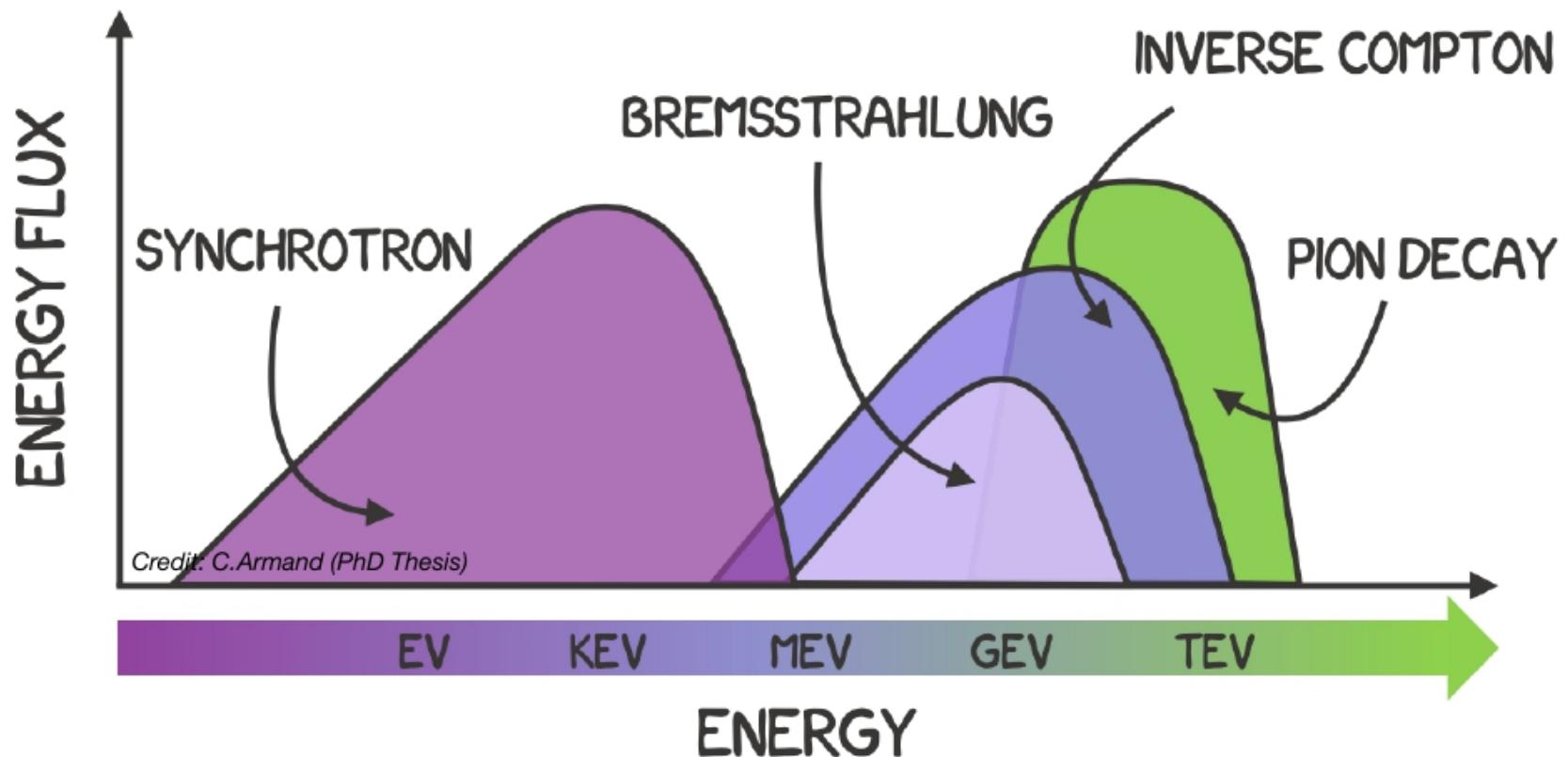
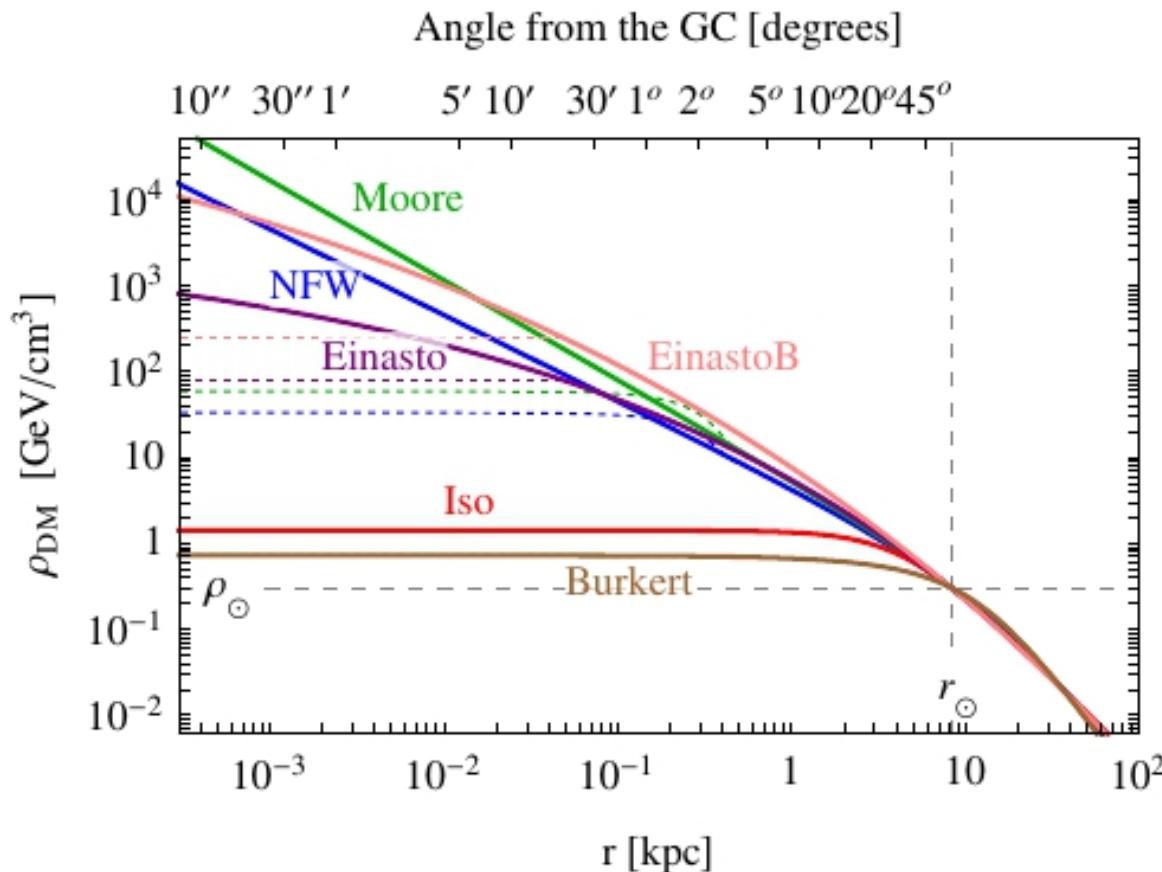


Fig: 1505.06486

# Multi-wavelength Emission Spectrum



# Different DM profiles



Away from Galactic Centre all the profiles follow similar  $r$  dependence.

DM halo	$\alpha$	$r_s$ [kpc]	$\rho_s$ [GeV/cm <sup>3</sup> ]
NFW	—	24.42	0.184
Einasto	0.17	28.44	0.033
EinastoB	0.11	35.24	0.021
Isothermal	—	4.38	1.387
Burkert	—	12.67	0.712
Moore	—	30.28	0.105

For NFW profile,

$$\rho_{\text{NFW}}(r) = \rho_s \frac{r_s}{r} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)^{-2}$$

# Calculating Gamma Ray flux from DM



Flux of photons received at a detector  
of area A

$$\frac{A}{4\pi s^2} \times \frac{dN_\gamma}{dE_\gamma}(E_\gamma) \times \frac{1}{\tau_\gamma} \times \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \times dV$$

Spectra of photons  
per DM decay

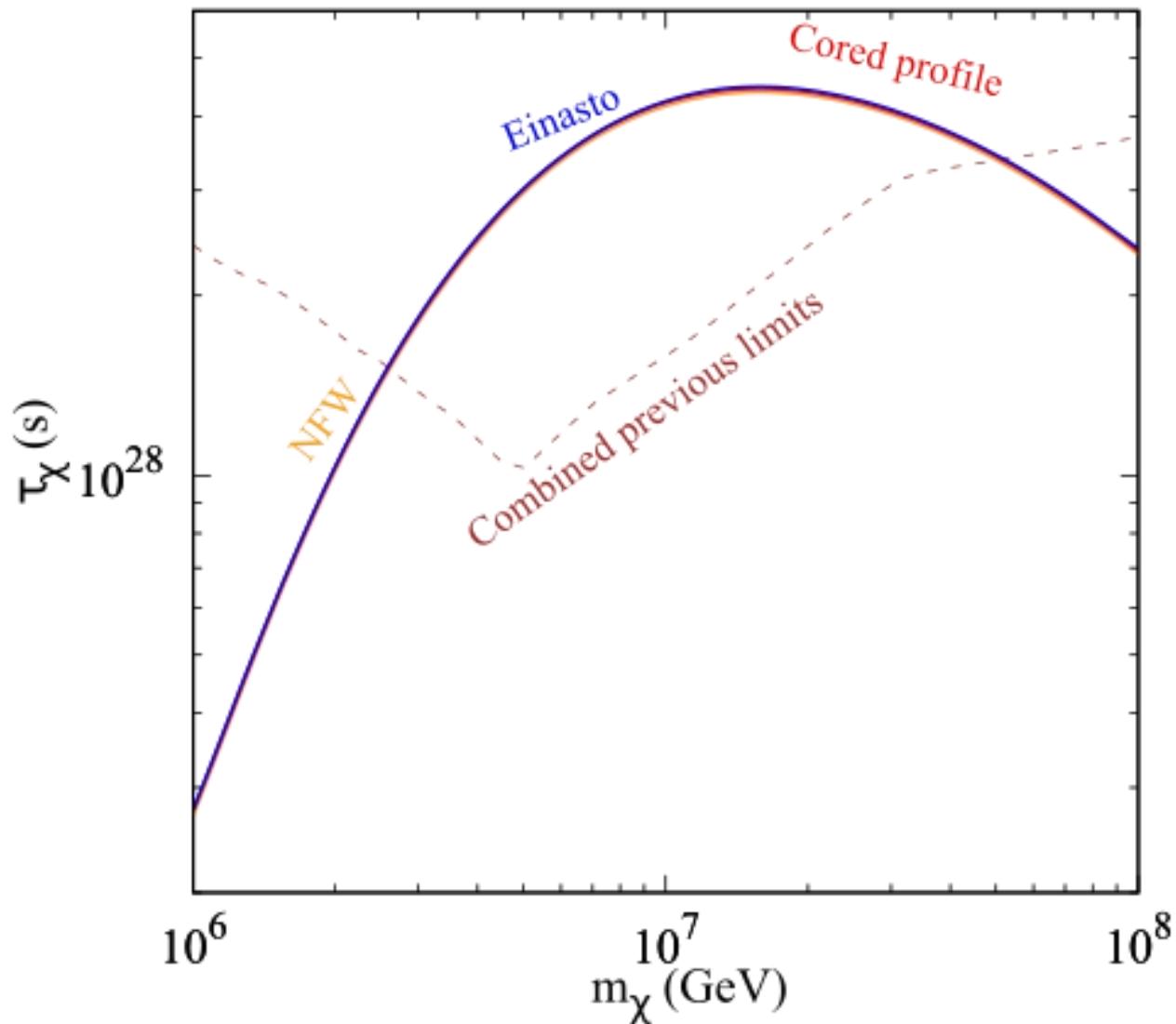
Total decay rate of all DM  
particles in volume  $dV$

DM density

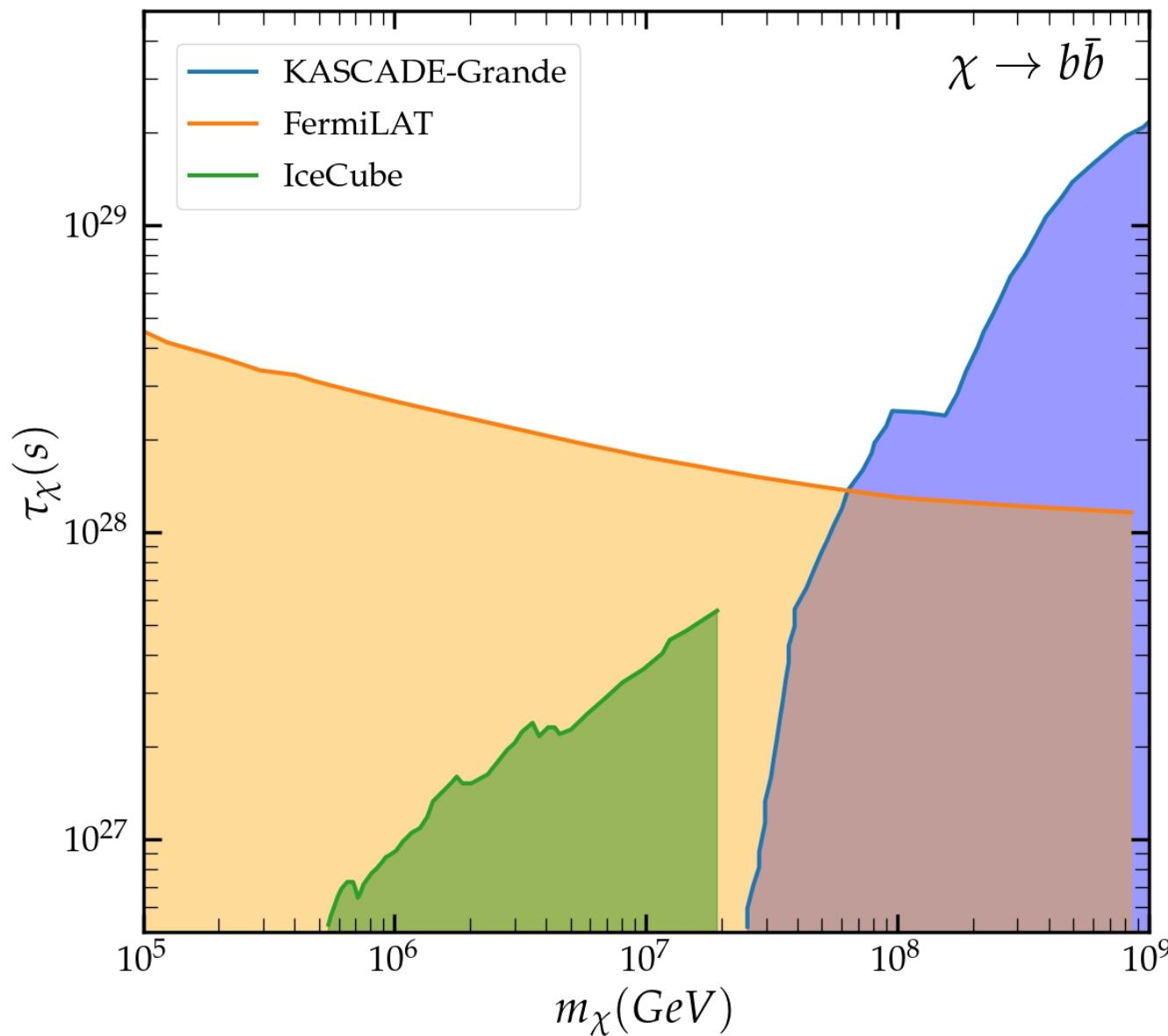
DM  
mass

DM lifetime

# Dependence of our constraints on DM profiles



# Constraints on Decaying Dark Matter



Ishiwata et al., 1907.11671  
Hooper et al., 1811.05988  
Abbasi et al., 2205.12950

# Effective area comparison

Credit: G. Di Sciascio (2020)

## *Muon detectors*

Experiment	m asl	$\mu$ Sensitive Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Instrumented Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Coverage
LHAASO (◆)	4410	$4.2 \times 10^4$	$10^6$	$4.4 \times 10^{-2}$
TIBET AS $\gamma$	4300	$4.5 \times 10^3$	$3.7 \times 10^4$	$1.2 \times 10^{-1}$
KASCADE	110	$6 \times 10^2$	$4 \times 10^4$	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$
CASA-MIA	1450	$2.5 \times 10^3$	$2.3 \times 10^5$	$1.1 \times 10^{-2}$

# Heavy Dark Matter

Giudice et al hep-ph/0005123

Chung et al hep-ph/9805473

Berlin et al 1602.08490

Heurtier et al 1905.05191

Davoudiasl et al 1912.05572

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