

Gamma-ray flux limits from brown dwarfs: Implications for dark matter annihilating into long-lived mediators

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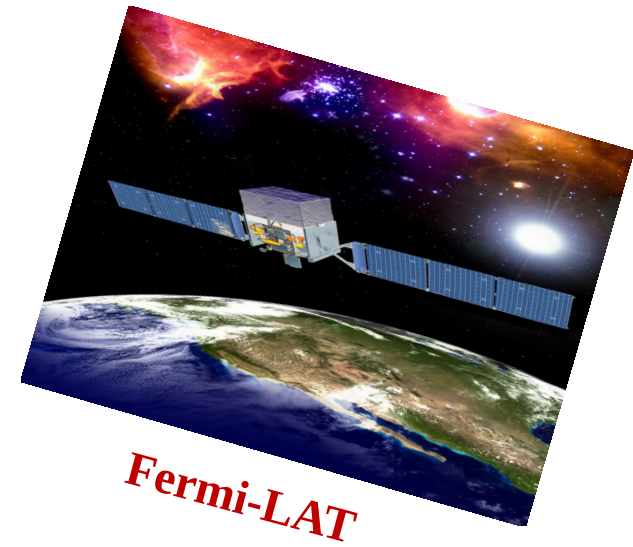
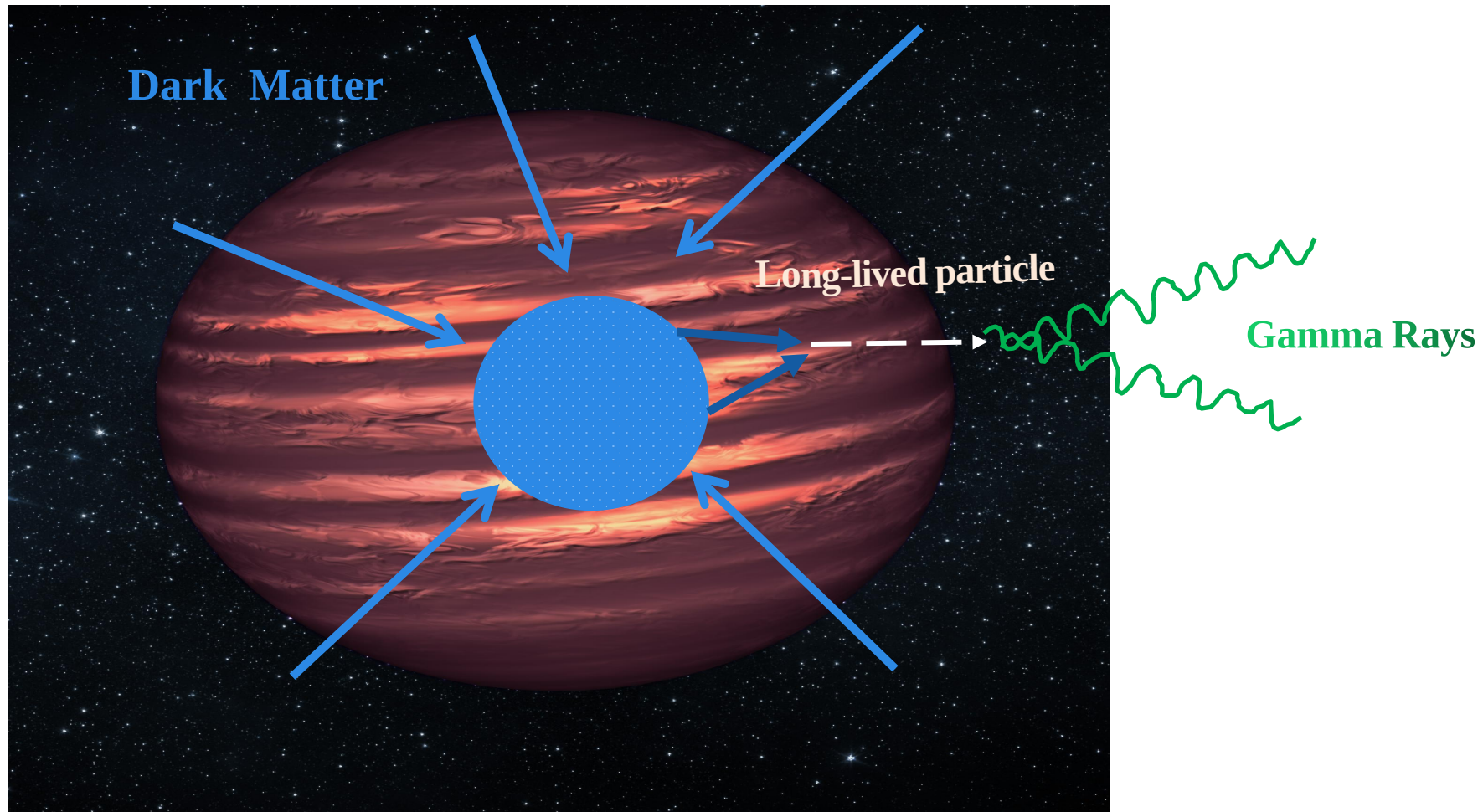
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Outlook

Indirect detection of Dark Matter captured rate in Brown Dwarfs



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Advantage 1: Statistics

- First **exoplanet discovery: 1992**
- Estimates predict **around 300 billion exoplanets** in our galaxy!

Advantage 2: Low temperatures --- as they do not undergo nuclear fusion

- Low temperatures allow for a **clearer signal over background for Dark Matter heating.**
- Low core temperatures in part **prevent DM evaporation, providing new sensitivity to lighter (sub-GeV) DM.**

Advantage 3: Exploding Research Program

- with several upcoming **deep and sensitive optical and infrared sky surveys, such as JWST, Rubin, Roman...**

Our Sources

- **Radius: Comparable to the radius of Jupiter**
- **Distance: Within 11 pc from us.**
- **Mass: Larger than 25 Jupiter mass ($M > 25 M_J$)**
- **Temperature: T-type BDs $\implies 575 \text{ K} < T < 1350 \text{ K}$**
- **Age: Greater than 2 Gyr.**

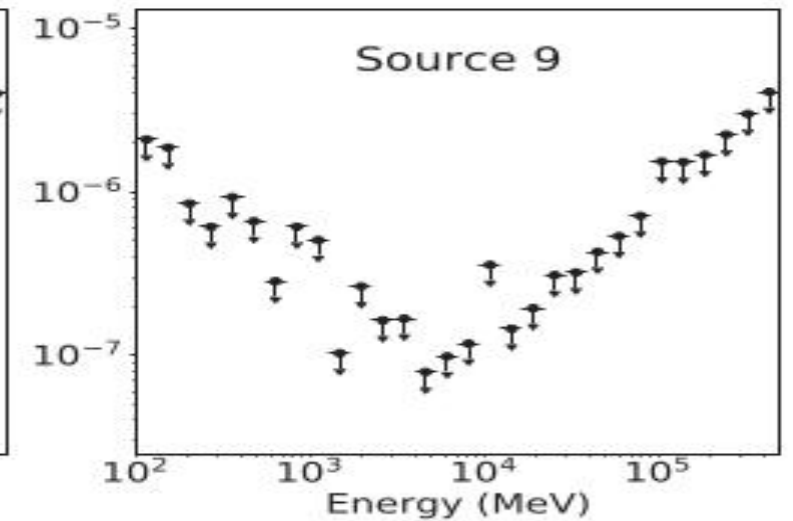
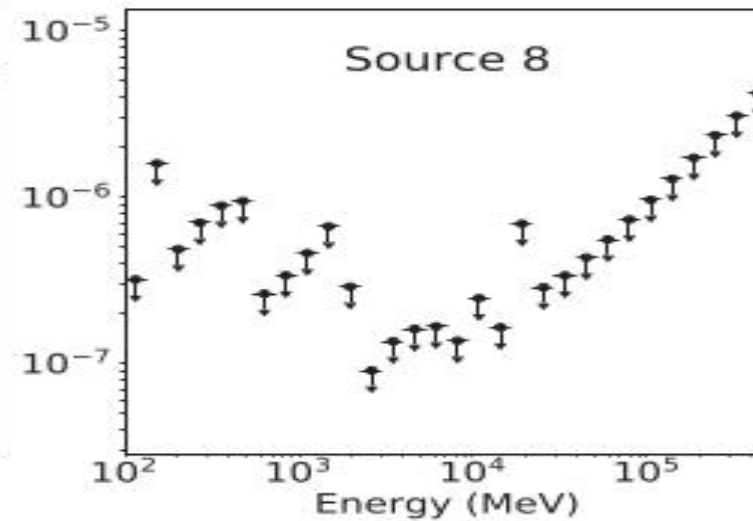
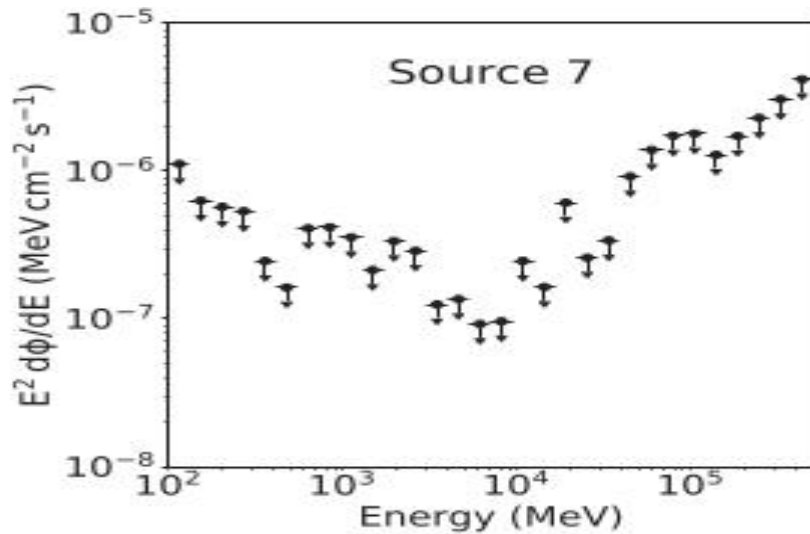
These are important to strengthen the annihilation signal.

Source Name (ID number)	l (deg)	b (deg)	Distance (pc)	Mass (M_J)	Radius (R_J)	Temp. (K)	Estimated age (Gyr)	Spectral Type
2MASS J02431371-2453298 (Source 1)	40.81	-24.89	10.68	34	0.97	1070	1.7	T6
WISEPA J031325.96+780744.2 (Source 2)	48.36	78.13	6.54	26	0.88	651	10	T8.5
Epsilon Indi Ba (Source 3)	-28.96	-56.78	3.63	47	0.89	1276	3.5	T1
SCR 1845-6357 B (Source 4)	-78.73	-63.96	3.85	45	0.88	950	3.1	T6
2MASS J12171110-0311131 (Source 5)	-175.71	-3.19	10.73	31	0.95	870	10	T7.5
WISEPC J121756.91+162640.2 A (Source 6)	-175.53	16.44	10.10	30	0.89	575	8	T9
2MASS J04151954-0935066 (Source 7)	63.83	-9.59	5.64	35	0.91	750	10	T8
2MASS J09373487+2931409 (Source 8)	144.39	29.53	6.12	58	0.79	810	10	T7
WISE J104915.57-531906.1 (Source 9)	162.33	-53.32	2	33.5	0.85	1350	4.5	T0.5

Search for gamma-ray emission in Fermi-LAT data

1. Analyze 13 years of data with energy range between 100 MeV to 500 GeV.
2. Perform the binned likelihood analysis but no significant excess emission is found.

=> Set 95% confidence level upper limits
=> Also perform the stacked analysis

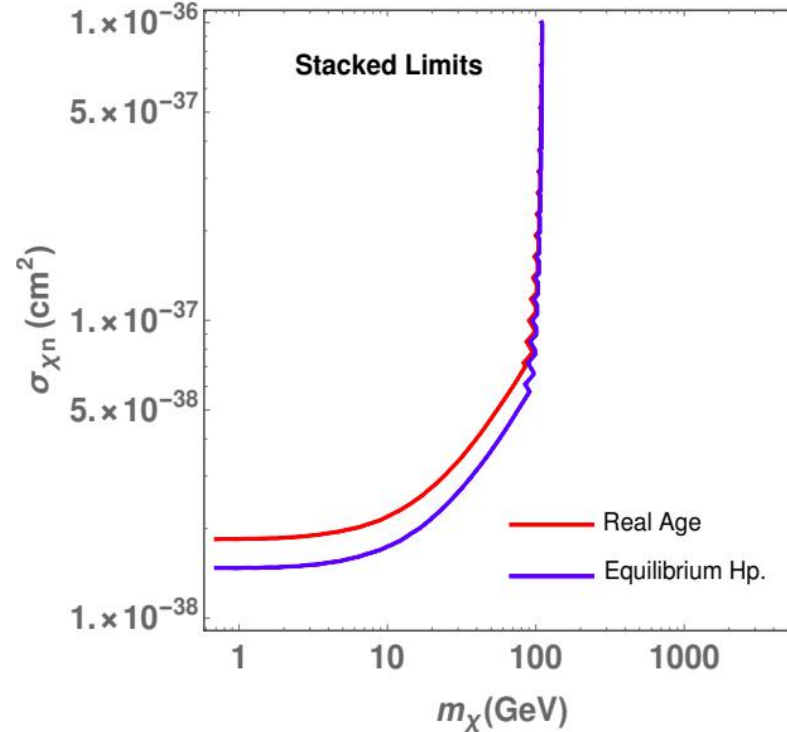
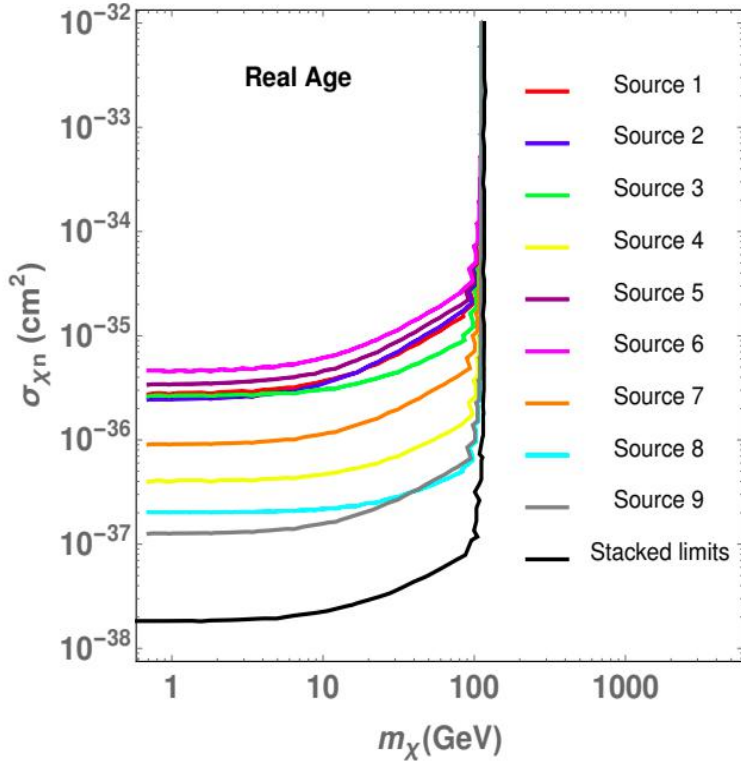


bin-by-bin differential flux upper limits at 95% C.L. for three BDs

New dark matter limits on scattering cross-section

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- Set bounds on the scattering cross section, $\sigma_{\chi n}$ as a function of the DM mass, m_χ .
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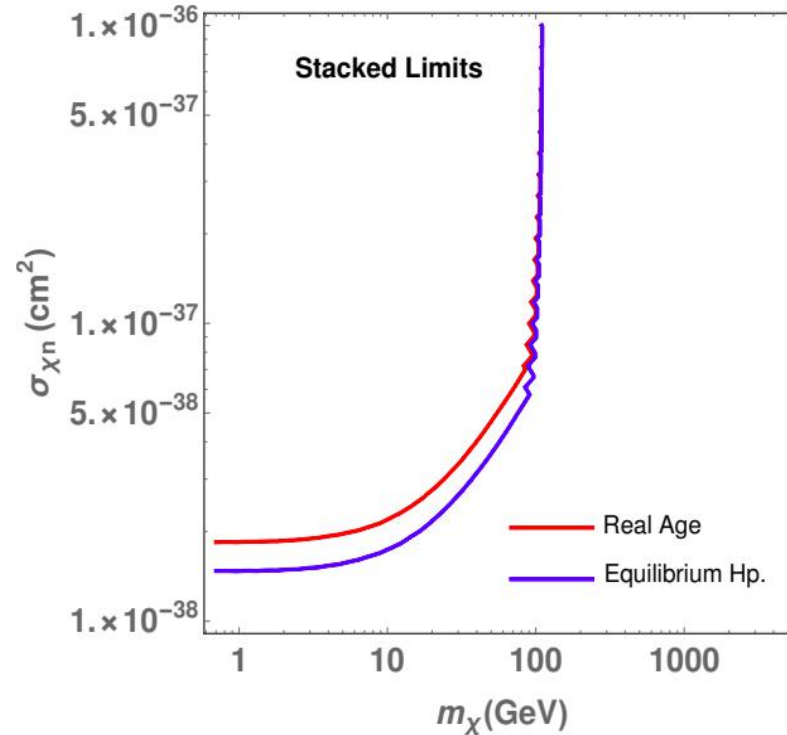
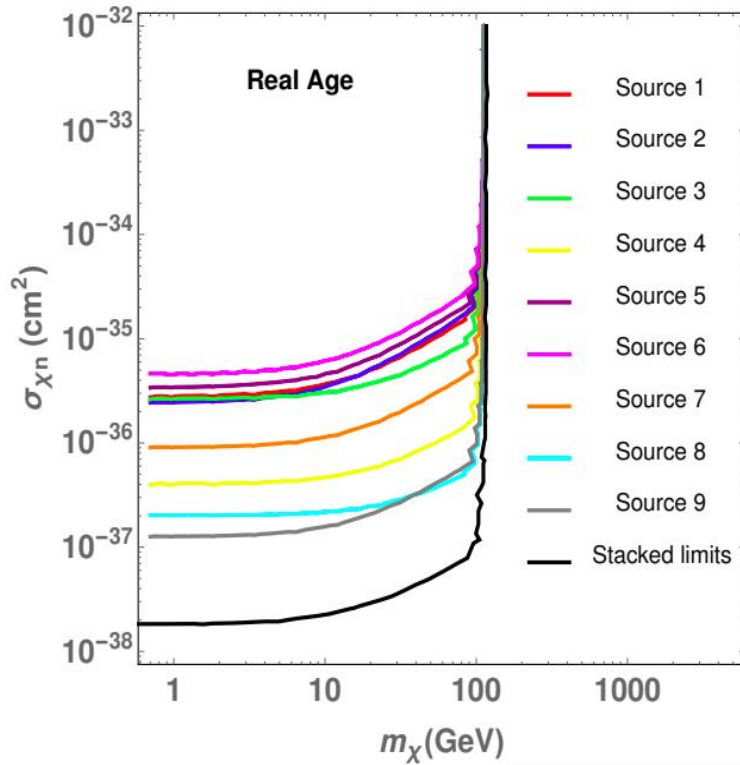
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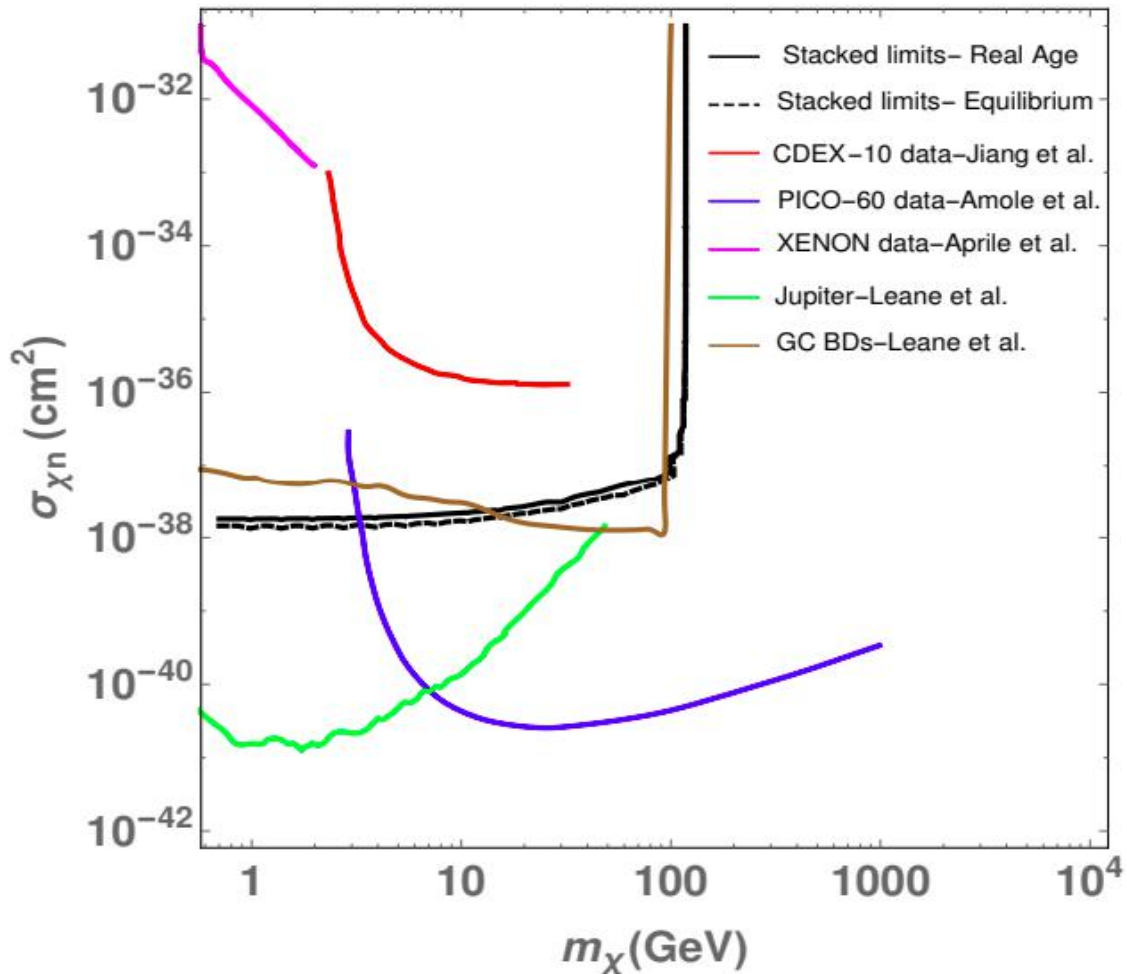
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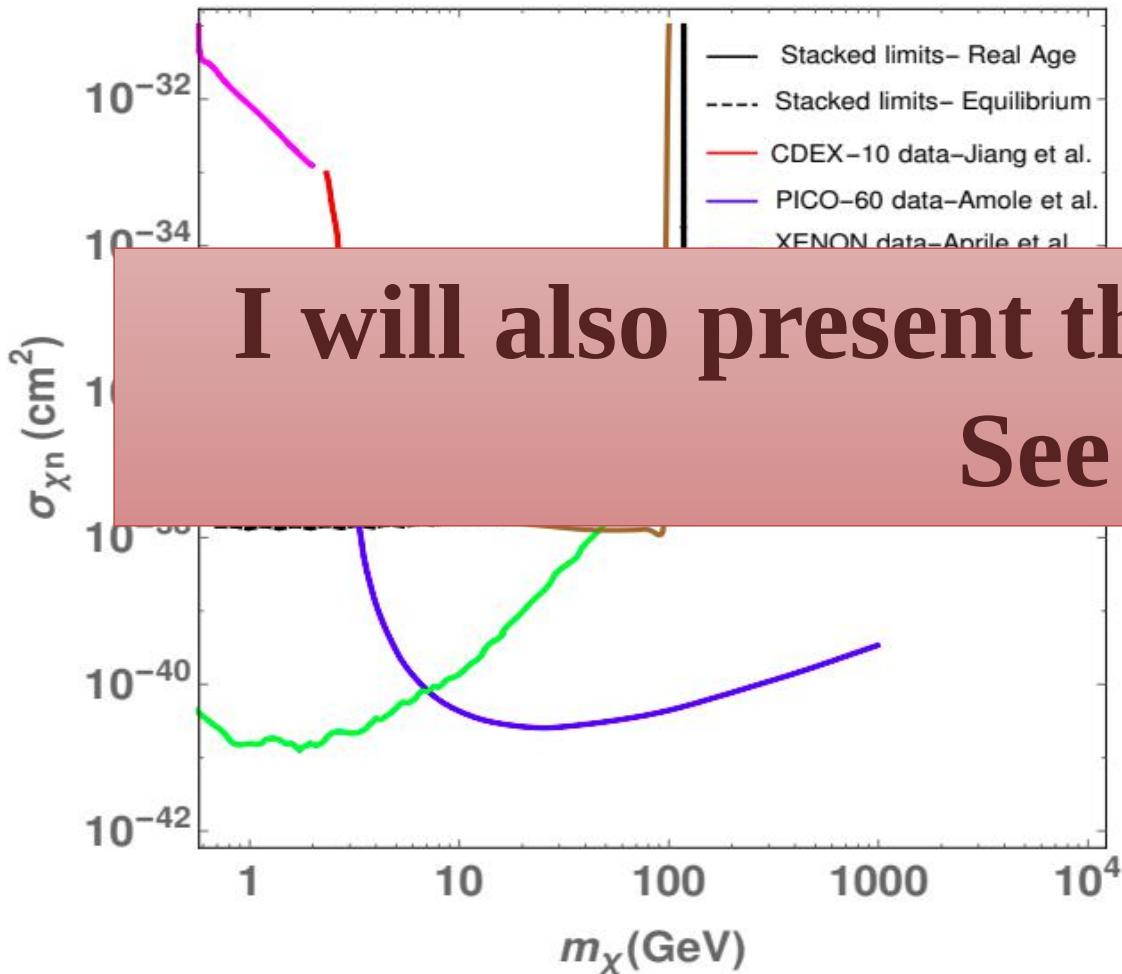
➡ We are getting the maximum signal strength for this model independent analysis

Comparison with other literature studies



1. BDs have the unique advantage to **probe the sub-GeV range with sensitivity scattering cross-section of 10^{-38} cm^2** .
2. Limits obtained from Jupiter is five order of magnitude more stringent but the **distance is ~ 5 AU**. Thus, our bounds apply to **much wider parameter space**.
3. Bounds from **GC population** rely both on the assumed **DM density profile** and the model of the **BD population toward the Galactic center region**.
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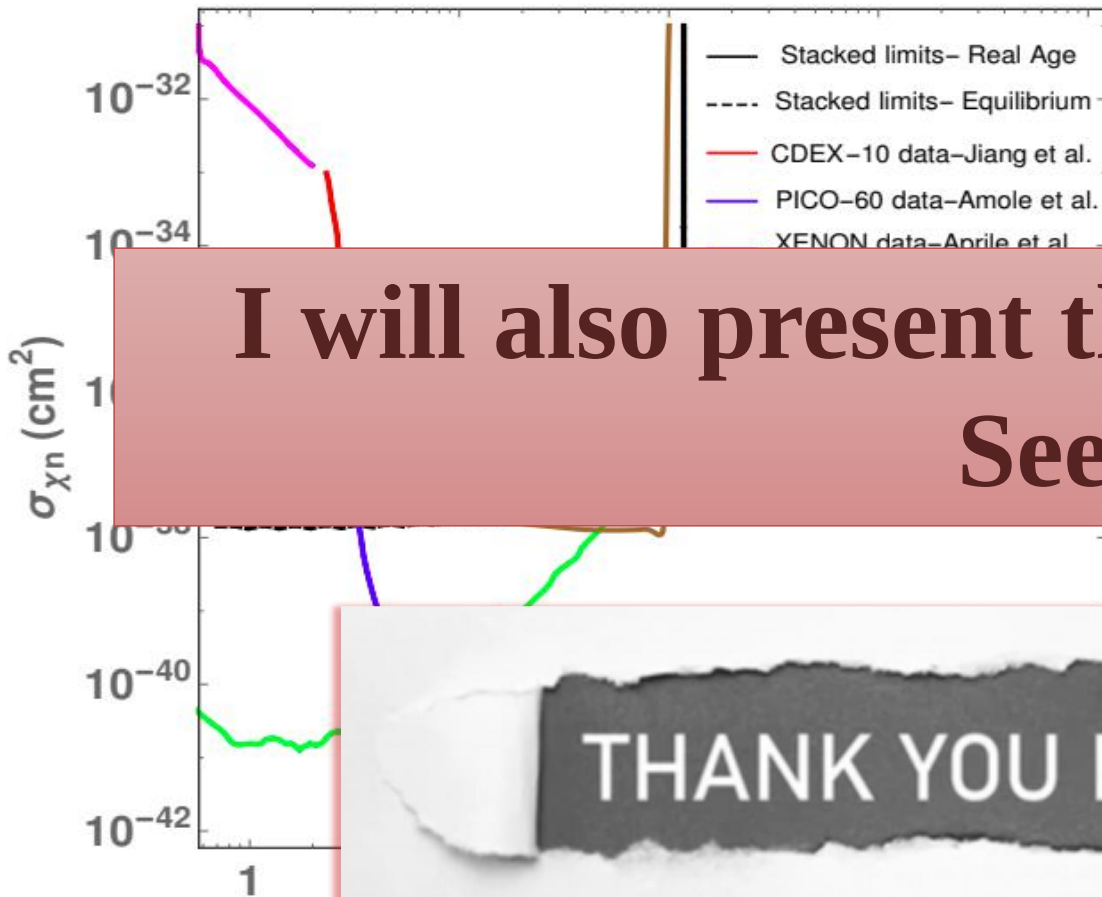
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**I will also present this work at poster session!!
See you there!**

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

m_χ (GeV)



Code is publicly available on GitLab and ESCAPE OSSR



The code and data to reproduce the results of this study are available on GitLab,
[https://gitlab.in2p3.fr/francesca.calore/brown-dwarfs-gamma,
10.5281/zenodo.7596302](https://gitlab.in2p3.fr/francesca.calore/brown-dwarfs-gamma,10.5281/zenodo.7596302)

The code is also onboarded in the ESCAPE OSSR as a part of Dark Matter Test Science Project (TSP)
and is in full agreement with the Open Science Uptake of EOSC-Future.

