

WIMP DM Heating in Neutron Stars

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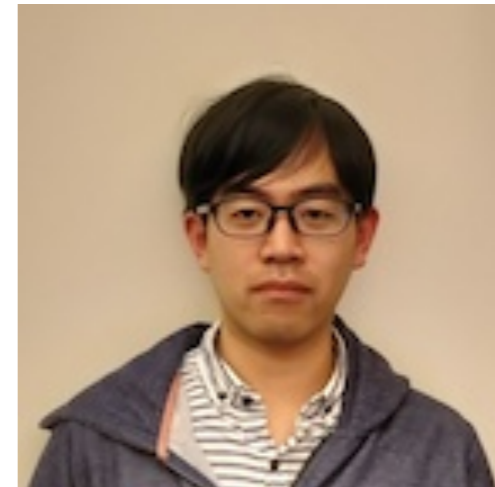
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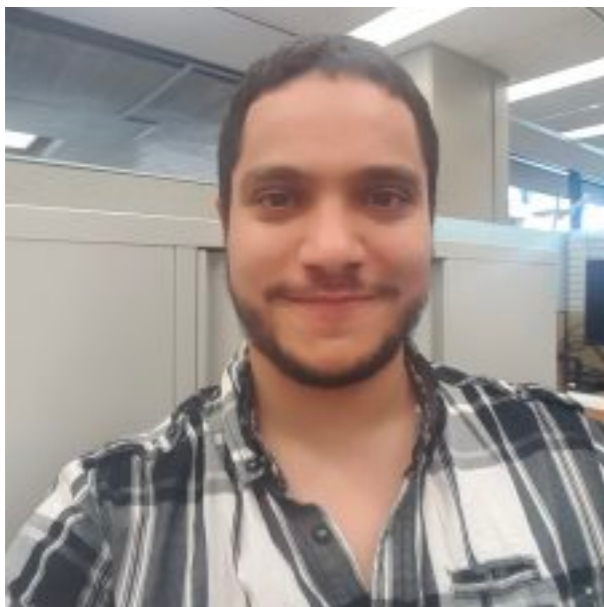


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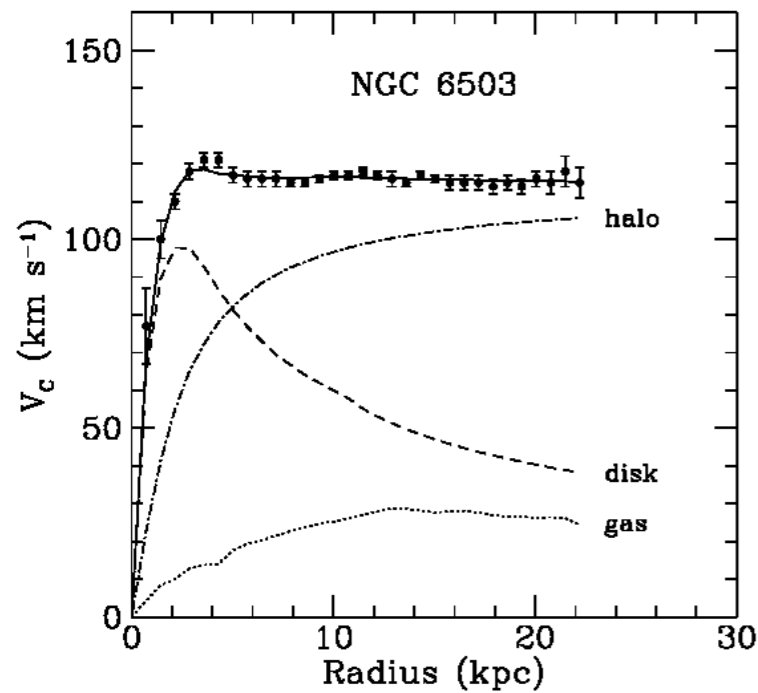
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Introduction: Dark Matter

Evidence for dark matter (DM)

The existence of dark matter has been established by various cosmological observations.

Rotational curves



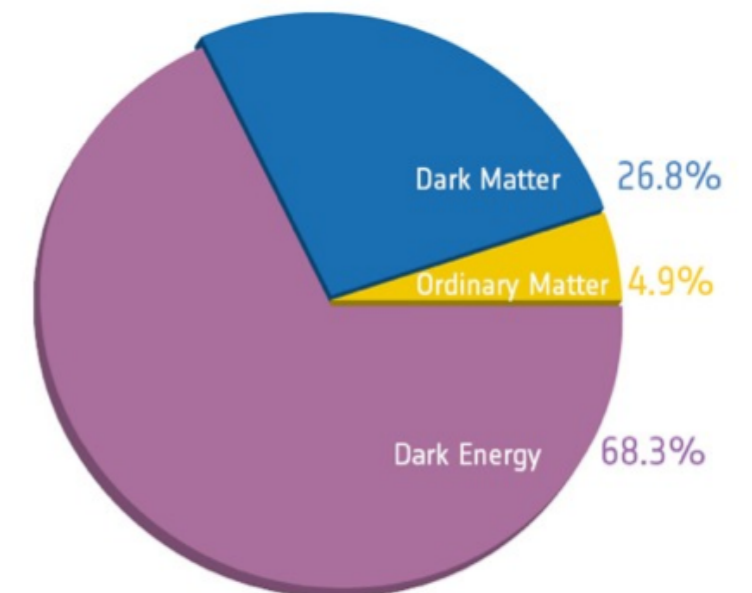
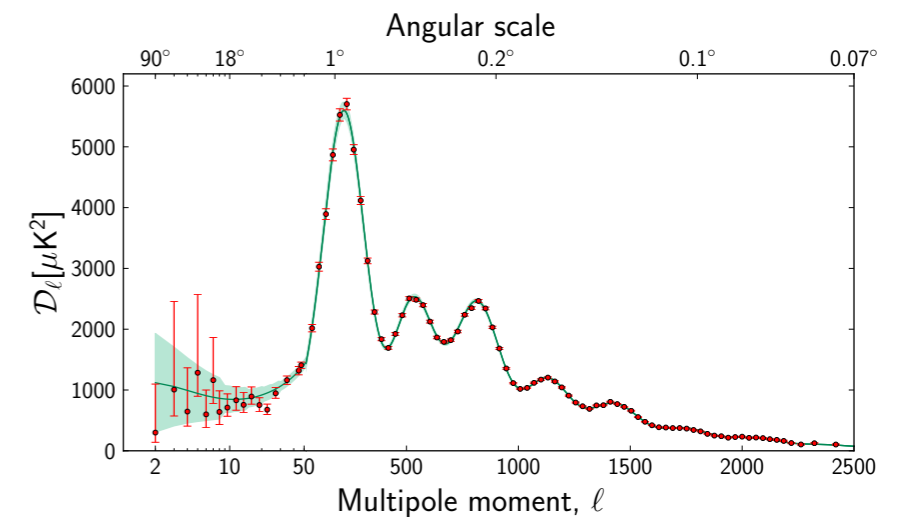
Begeman et. al. (1991)

Bullet cluster



Clowe et. al. (2006)

Cosmic microwave background

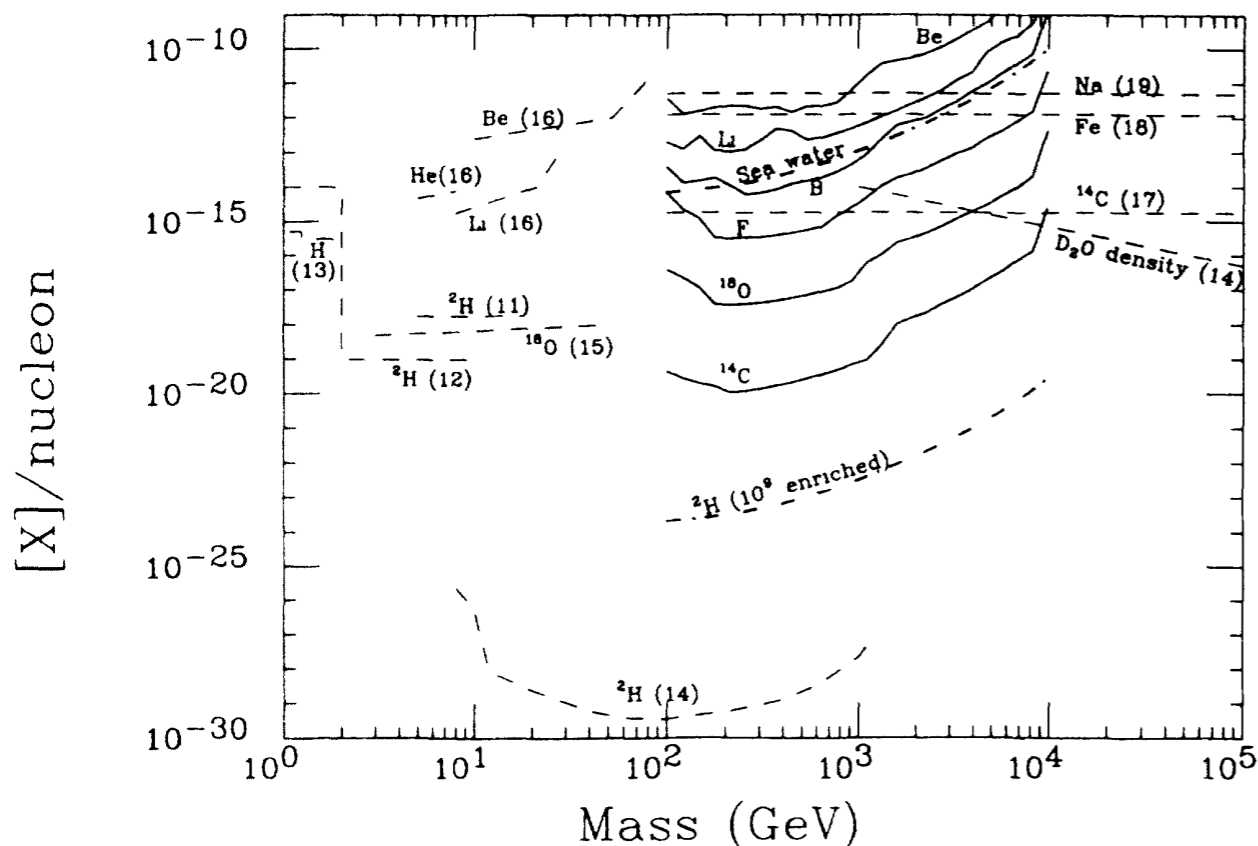


Nevertheless, the Standard Model of particle physics cannot explain DM.

Properties of Dark Matter

- ▶ **Stable**
(or has a lifetime much longer than the age of the Universe)
- ▶ **Cold or warm**
- ▶ Needs to match the observed density $\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 \simeq 0.12$
- ▶ Electrically neutral and colorless.

Abundance Limits for X Particles



Constrained by the searches of anomalously **heavy isotopes.**

WIMP

Weakly-Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs)

- ▶ Electrically neutral and colorless particles.
- ▶ Stable.
- ▶ Masses of $O(100 - 1000)$ GeV.
- ▶ Have interactions comparable to EW interactions.



Observed Dark Matter (DM) density can be explained by their **thermal relic**.

Thermal relic scenario (cold DM)

WIMPs were in **thermal equilibrium** with the SM particles in the early Universe.

For $T \lesssim m_{\text{DM}}$

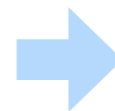
$$n_{\text{DM}} \simeq \left(\frac{m_{\text{DM}} T}{2\pi} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-\frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{T}}$$

DM number rapidly decreases.

→ Annihilation rate also rapidly decreases!

Annihilation process freezes out when

$$n_{\text{DM}}(T_{\text{FO}}) \cdot \langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle \simeq H(T_{\text{FO}})$$



$$T_{\text{FO}} \simeq \frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{25}$$



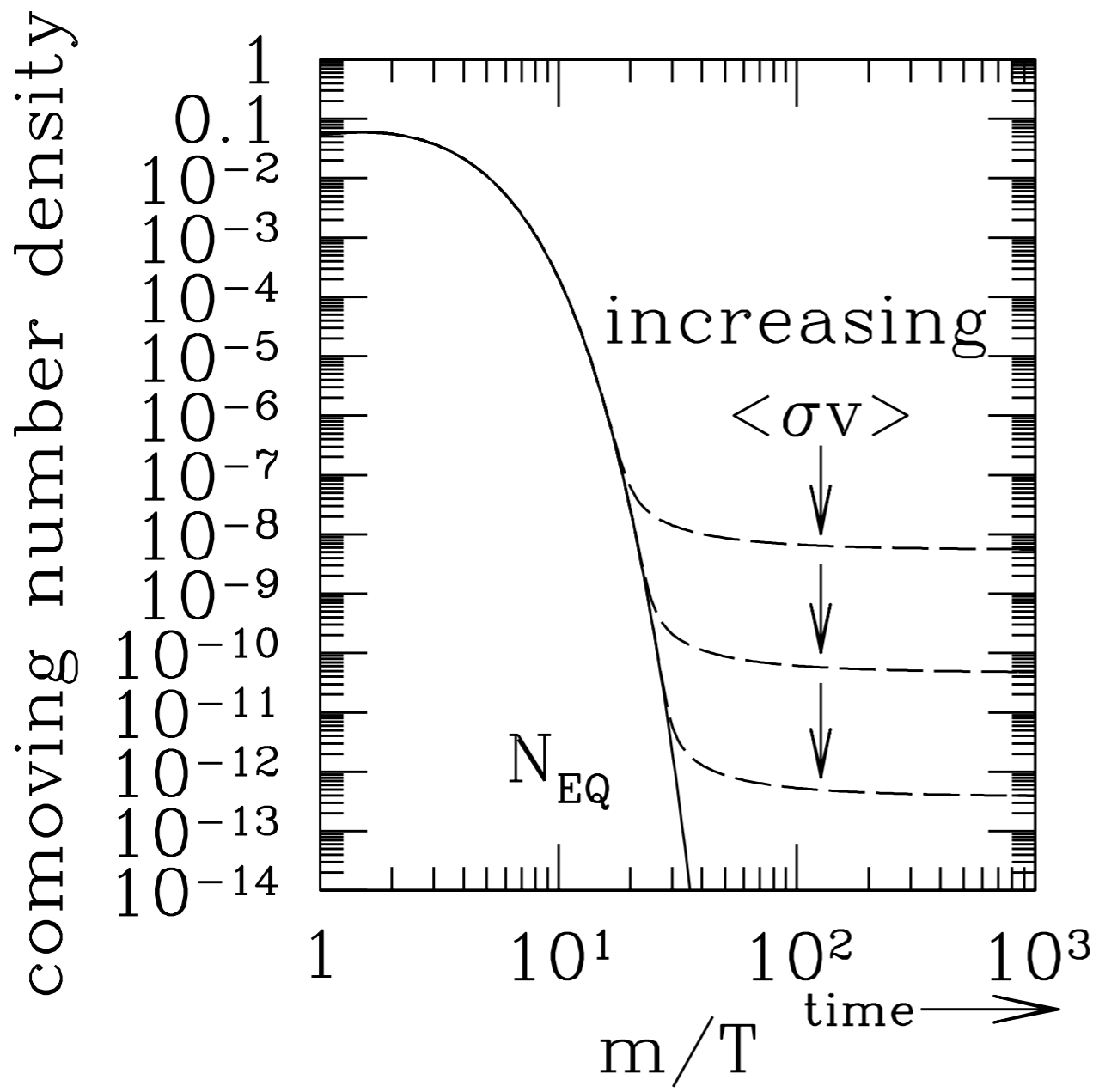
Annihilation rate



Hubble expansion rate

Cold DM

Thermal relic scenario (cold DM)



DM thermal relic abundance

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 \simeq \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}}{\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle}$$

P. Gondolo, astro-ph/0403064

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 = 0.12$$



$$\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle \simeq 10^{-9} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

TeV-scale physics and WIMP

Let us discuss the implications of $\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle \simeq 10^{-9} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

Annihilation cross section is approximately given by

$$\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle \simeq \frac{\alpha^2}{m_{\text{DM}}^2}$$

The above value is then obtained for

$$\alpha \simeq 0.01$$

Weak coupling

$$m_{\text{DM}} \simeq 300 \text{ GeV}$$

Weak scale

Quantum numbers of DM

DM should be electrically neutral and colorless.

→ There still remain many possibilities.

● Spin?

- Real/complex scalar
- Majorana/Dirac fermion
- Vector etc.

● $SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$ charge?

$(\mathbf{1}, 0), (\mathbf{2}, \pm 1/2), (\mathbf{3}, 0), (\mathbf{3}, \pm 1), (\mathbf{4}, \pm 1/2), \dots$

$$Q = T_3 + Y$$

Singlet scalar DM

V. Silveira and A. Zee (1985);

J. McDonald (1994);

C. P. Burgess, M. Pospelov, and T. ter Veldhuis (2001).

Just add a neutral scalar field to the Standard Model.

Very simple (toy) model

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{1}{2}m^2 S^2 - \frac{1}{2}\lambda_{SH} S^2 |H|^2 - \frac{1}{4!}\lambda_S S^4$$

► Stability

Lagrangian has a Z_2 symmetry: $S \rightarrow -S$ (**odd**); SM (**even**).

► Annihilation cross section

$$\sigma_{\text{ann}} v_{\text{rel}} \simeq \frac{\lambda_{sH}^2}{16\pi m_{\text{DM}}^2}$$

($m_{\text{DM}} >$ weak scale)

$$m_{\text{DM}} \simeq 3.3\lambda_{SH} \text{ TeV}$$

explains the observed DM density.

Electroweak-Interacting DM

The neutral component of $SU(2)_L$ n -tuple, hypercharge Y is regarded as a DM candidate.

Examples:

- Higgsino ($n = 2, Y = 1/2$)
- Wino ($n = 3, Y = 0$)
- Minimal DM ($n = 5, Y = 0$)

Interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \frac{g_2}{4} \sqrt{n^2 - (2Y - 1)^2} \bar{\chi}^+ W^+ \chi^0 + \frac{g_2}{4} \sqrt{n^2 - (2Y + 1)^2} \bar{\chi}^0 W^+ \chi^- + \text{h.c.} \\ + ig_Z Y \bar{\chi}^0 \not{Z} \eta^0 .$$

The DM phenomenology is (almost) completely determined by the **gauge interactions**.

For scalar DM cases, the DM-Higgs couplings also exist.

Electroweak-Interacting DM

Quantum numbers			DM could decay into	DM mass in TeV	$m_{\text{DM}^\pm} - m_{\text{DM}}$ in MeV	Finite naturalness bound in TeV	σ_{SI} in 10^{-46} cm^2
$\text{SU}(2)_L$	$\text{U}(1)_Y$	Spin					
2	1/2	0	EL	0.54	350	$0.4 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	$(0.4 \pm 0.6) 10^{-3}$
2	1/2	1/2	EH	1.1	341	$1.9 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	$(0.25 \pm 0.56) 10^{-3}$
3	0	0	HH^*	$2.0 \rightarrow 2.5$	166	$0.22 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	0.12 ± 0.03
3	0	1/2	LH	$2.4 \rightarrow 2.7$	166	$1.0 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	0.12 ± 0.03
3	1	0	HH, LL	$1.6 \rightarrow ?$	540	$0.22 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	$(1.3 \pm 1.1) 10^{-2}$
3	1	1/2	LH	$1.9 \rightarrow ?$	526	$1.0 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	$(1.3 \pm 1.1) 10^{-2}$
4	1/2	0	HHH^*	$2.4 \rightarrow ?$	353	$0.14 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	0.27 ± 0.08
4	1/2	1/2	(LHH^*)	$2.4 \rightarrow ?$	347	$0.6 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	0.27 ± 0.08
4	3/2	0	HHH	$2.9 \rightarrow ?$	729	$0.14 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	0.15 ± 0.07
4	3/2	1/2	(LHH)	$2.6 \rightarrow ?$	712	$0.6 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	0.15 ± 0.07
5	0	0	(HHH^*H^*)	$5.0 \rightarrow 9.4$	166	$0.10 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	1.0 ± 0.2
5	0	1/2	stable	$4.4 \rightarrow 10$	166	$0.4 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	1.0 ± 0.2
7	0	0	stable	$8 \rightarrow 25$	166	$0.06 \times \sqrt{\Delta}$	4 ± 1

(\rightarrow : Sommerfeld enhancement)

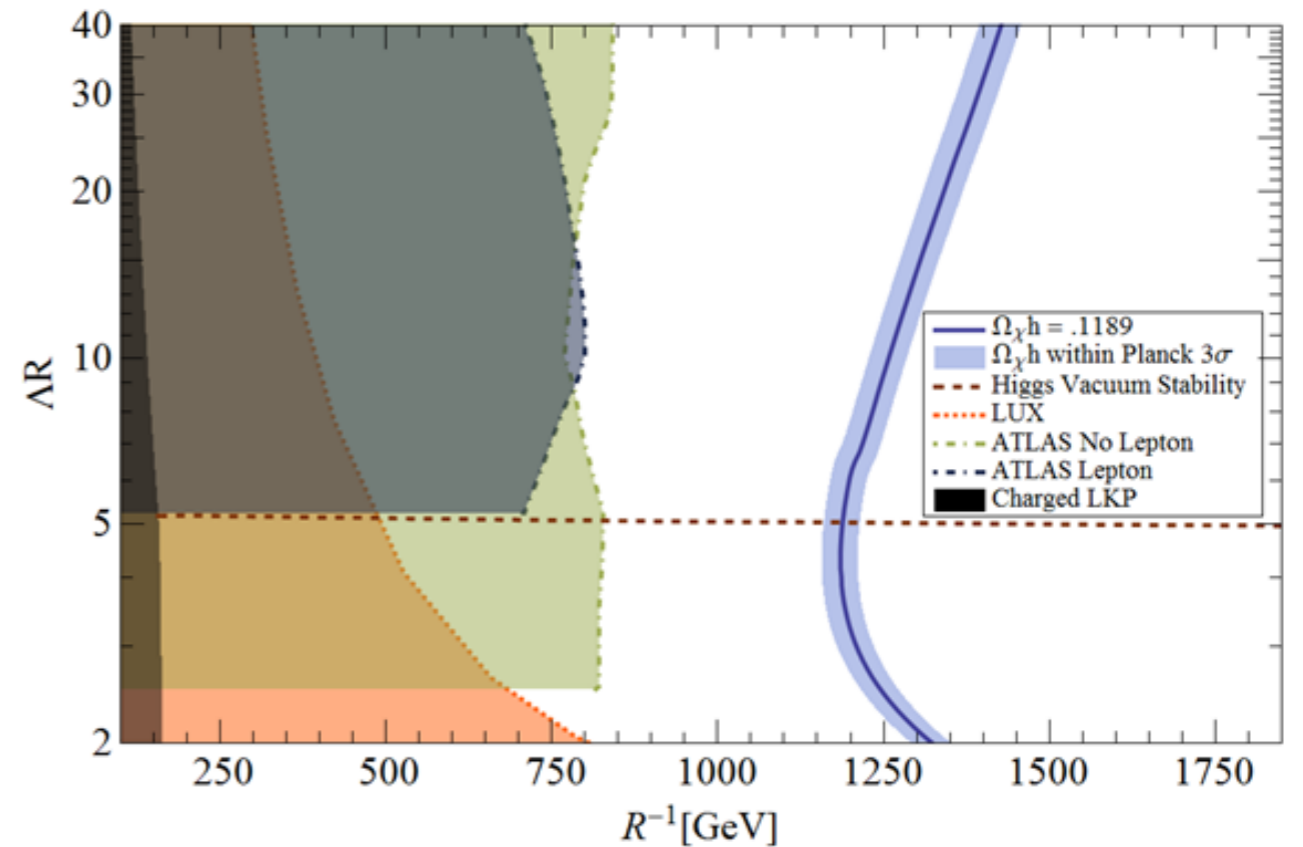
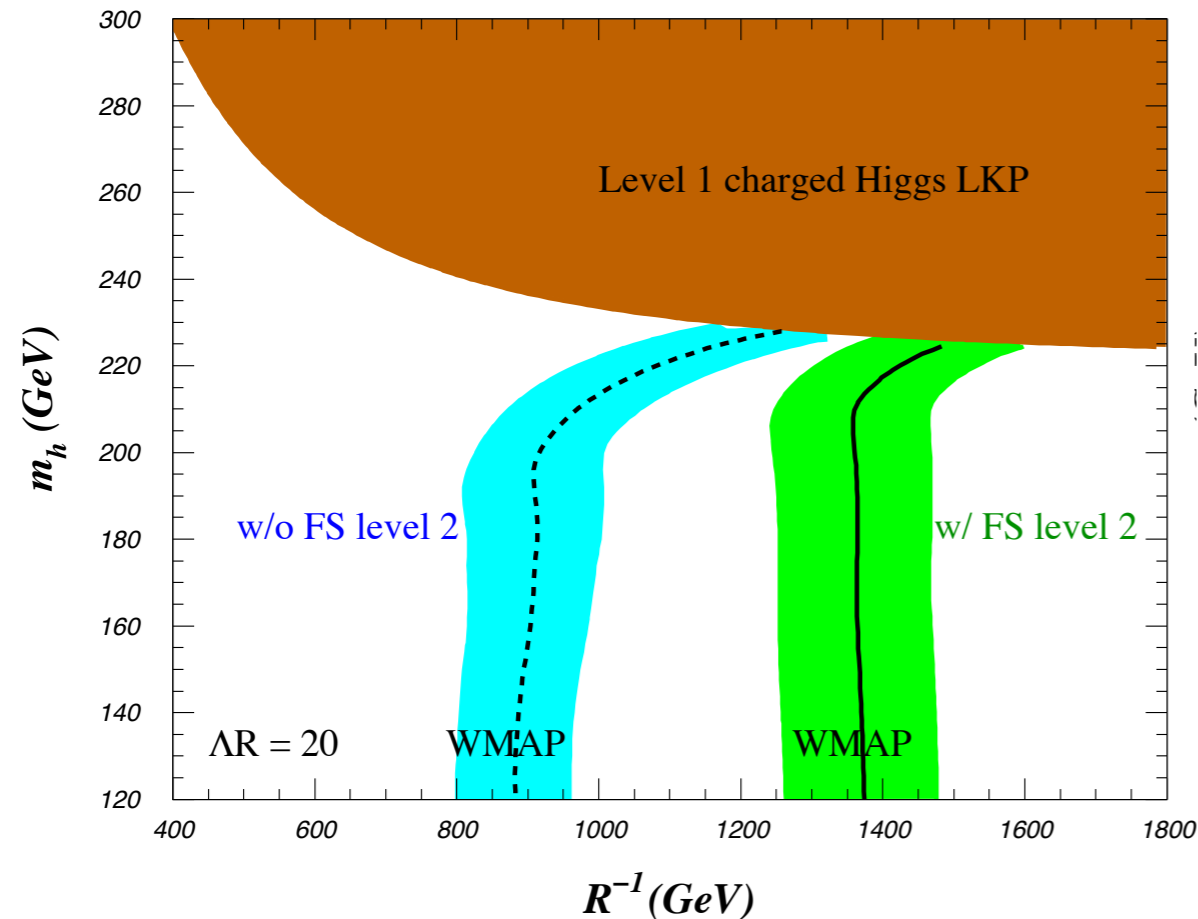
M. Farina, D. Pappadopulo, A. Strumia, JHEP **1308** (2013) 022.

Features

- Relatively **heavy mass** gives correct DM abundance.
- **Small mass difference** among the multiplet components.

Vector DM

The first **Kaluza-Klein photon DM** in the minimal universal extra dimension model.



G. Belanger, M. Kakizaki, A. Pukhov, JCAP **02**, 009 (2011).

J. M. Cornell, S. Profumo, W. Shepherd, Phys. Rev. D**89**, 056005 (2014).

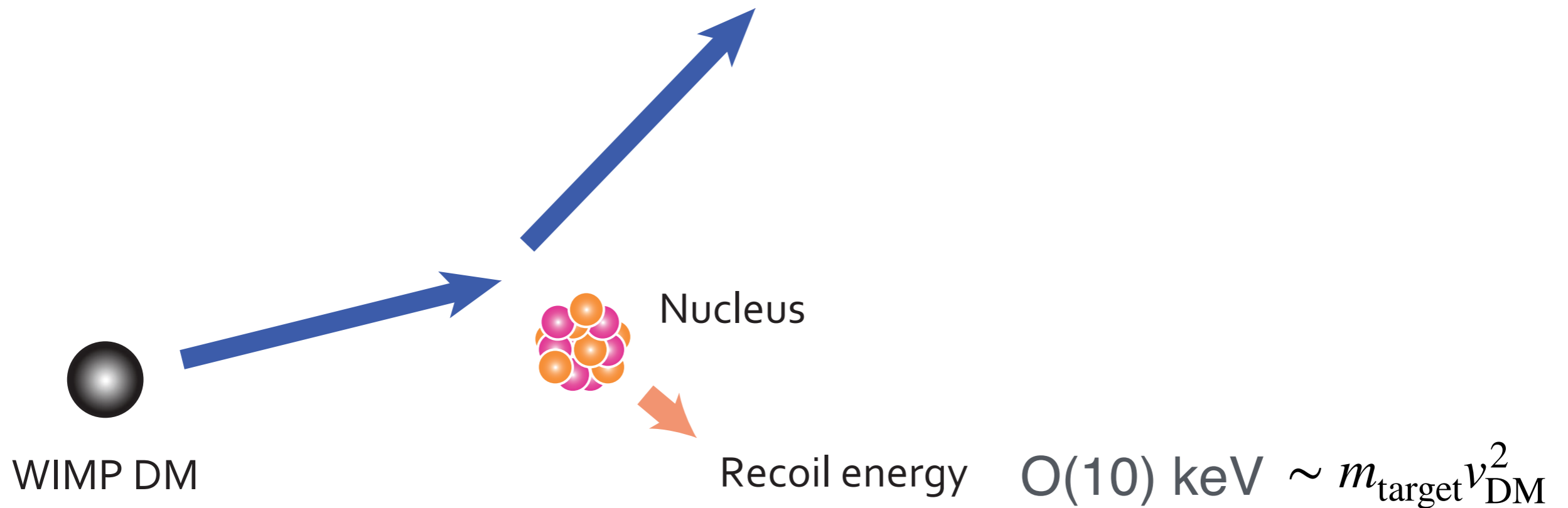
- The model is fully specified by only **two parameters**:

R^{-1} : compactification scale, Λ : cut-off scale

- DM mass is predicted to be $1.2 \text{ TeV} \lesssim M_{\text{DM}} \lesssim 1.4 \text{ TeV}$

DM search on the earth

DM Direct Detection experiments



- DM is flying around us.
- If DM interacts with SM particles, this may scatter off matter on the earth.
- We may directly discover DM by detecting the recoil energy.

SI vs SD

In the non-relativistic limit, we can classify the DM-nucleon interactions into two categories:

- Spin-dependent interactions
- Spin-independent interactions

ex.) Majorana fermion DM

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{SD}} = a_N \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \chi \bar{N} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 N$
- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{SI}} = f_N \bar{\chi} \chi \bar{N} N$

SI vs SD

The DM-nucleus scattering cross section is given by

$$\sigma = \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{M M_T}{M + M_T} \right)^2 \left[\underline{|Z f_p + (A - Z) f_n|^2} + 4 \frac{J + 1}{J} |a_p \langle s_p \rangle + a_n \langle s_n \rangle|^2 \right]$$

M : DM mass; M_T : nucleus mass; Z : atomic number; A : mass number
 J : total spin of nucleus; $\langle s_N \rangle$: expectation value of nucleon spin.

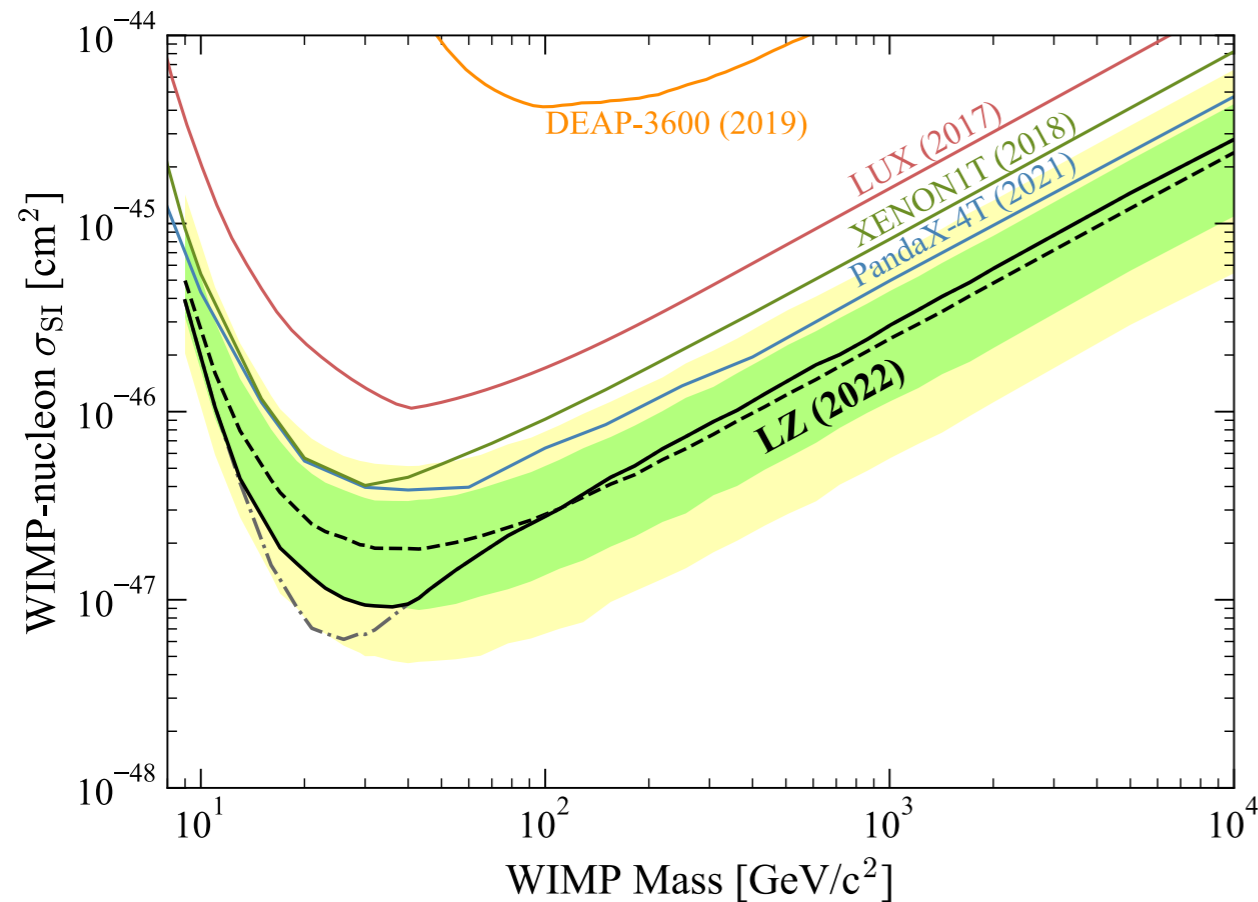
For a large nucleus, this term dominates the second term.

The SI scattering occurs **coherently** over the target nucleus.

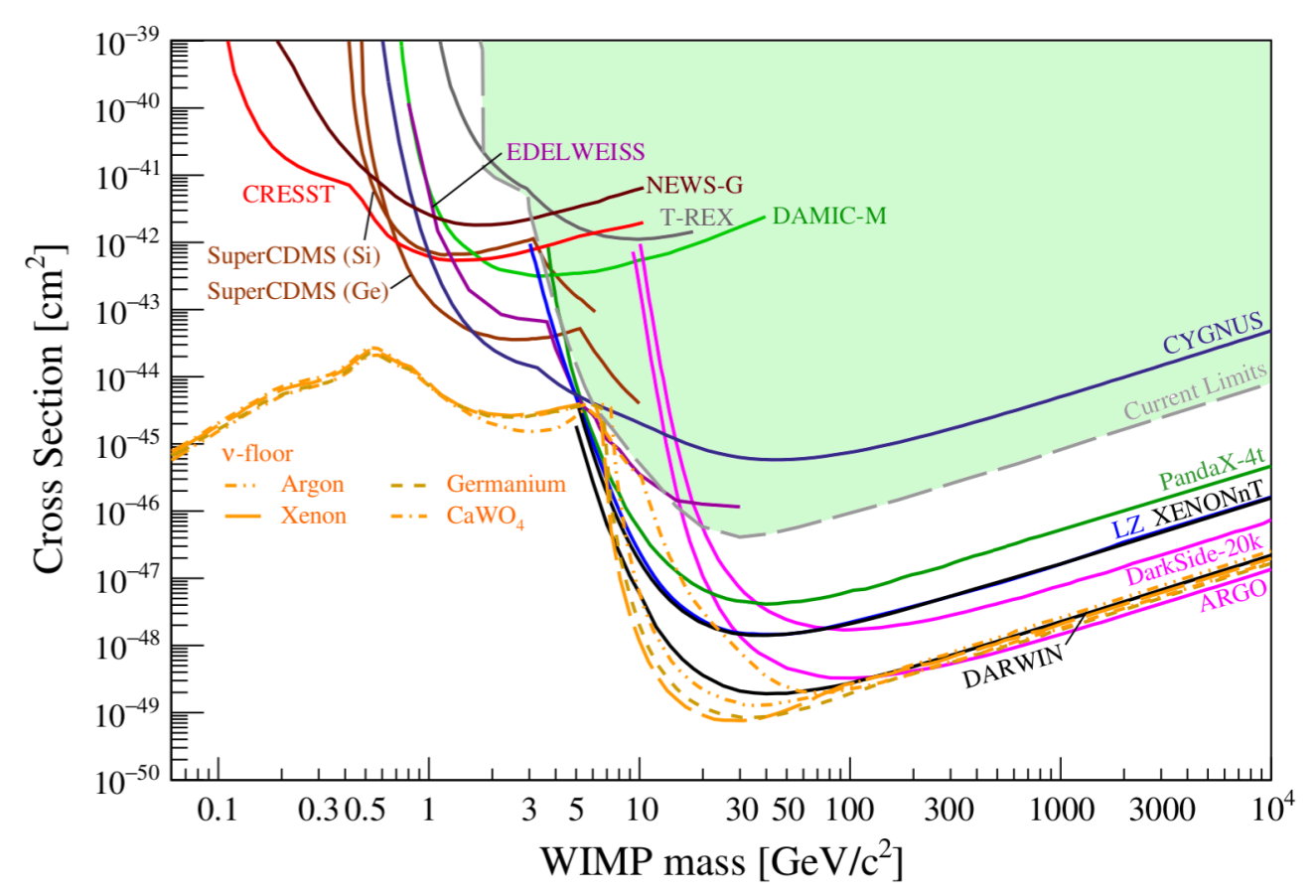
$$(\text{momentum transfer}) \times (\text{nucleus size}) \ll 1$$

The limits on the **SI interactions** are much stronger than those on the **SD interaction**.

DM Direct Detection experiments



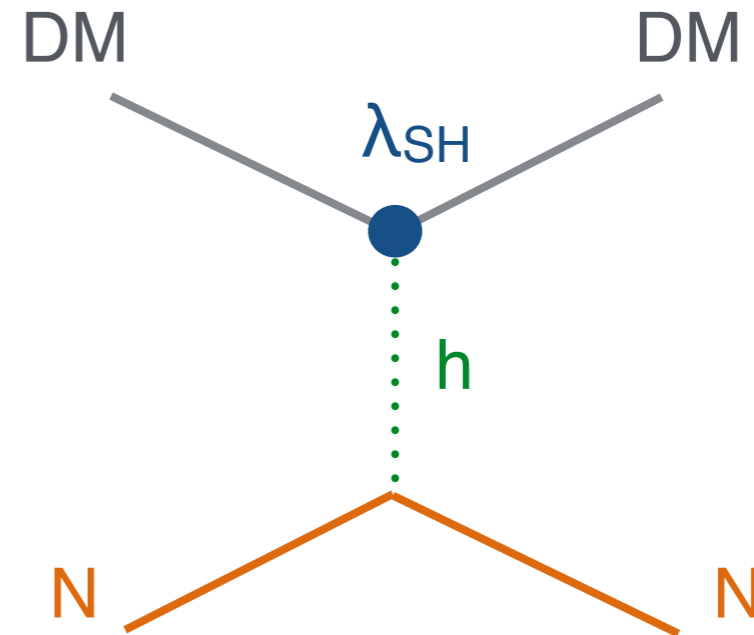
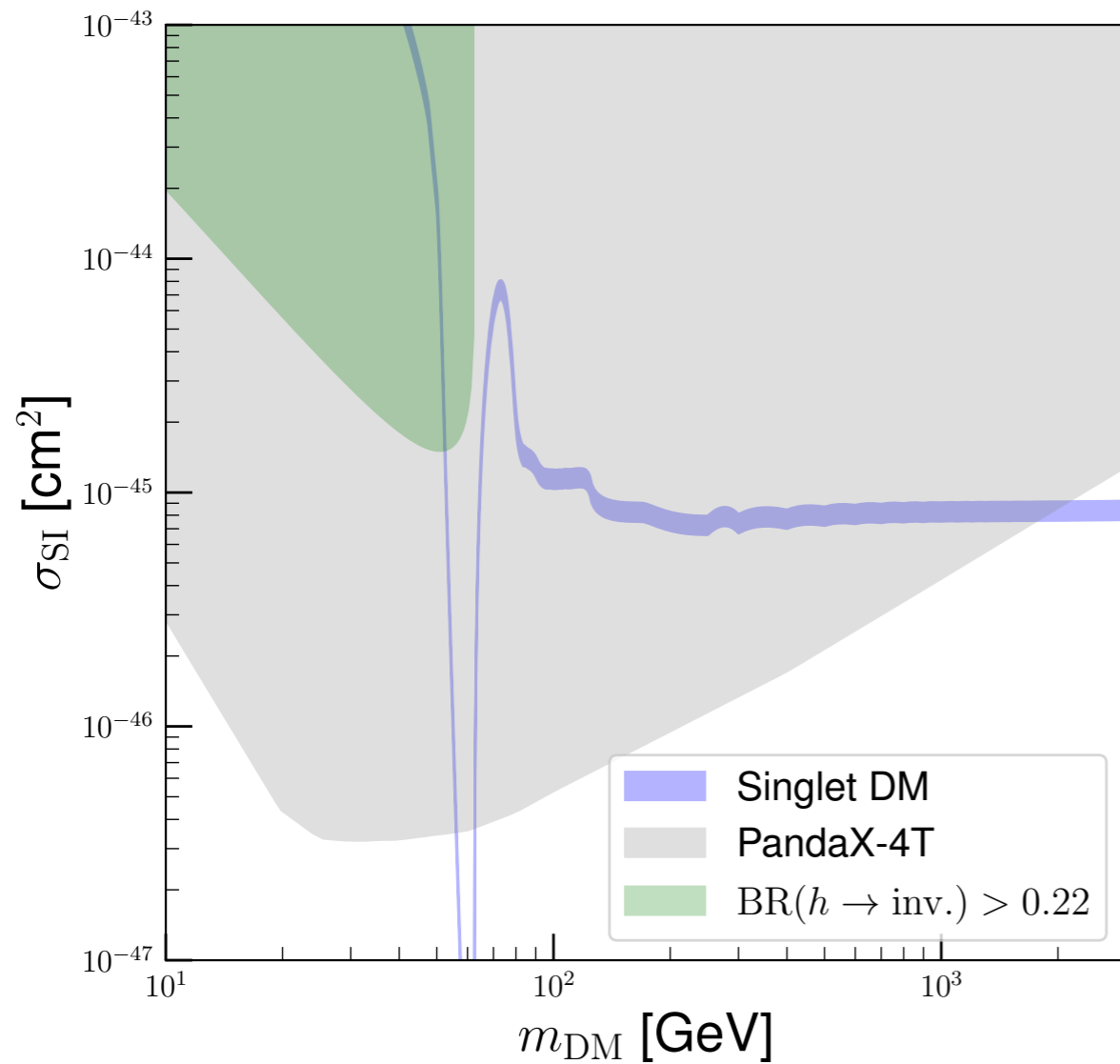
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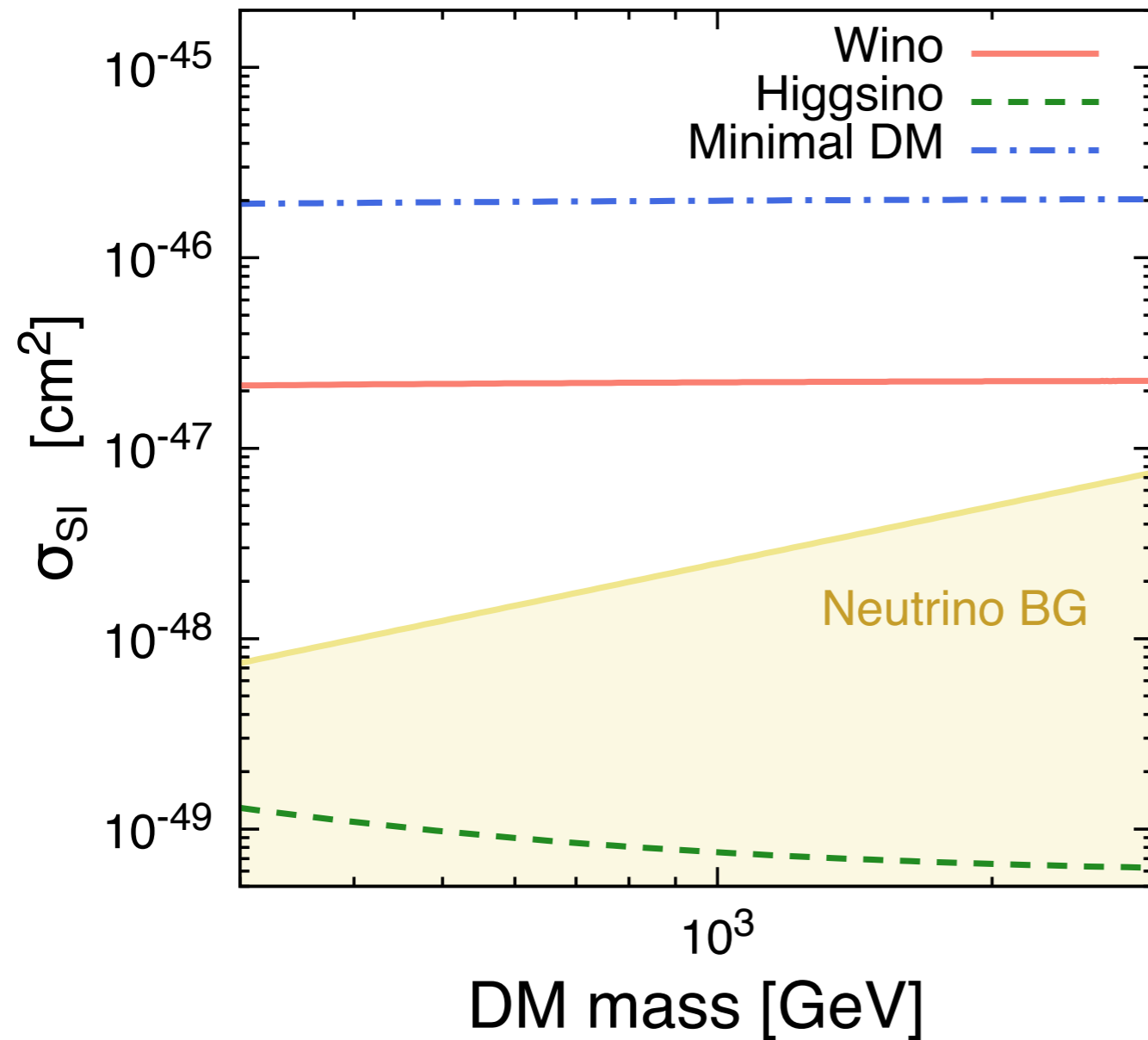
- DM direct detection experiments have imposed severe limits.
- Improved by orders of magnitude in future experiments.

Singlet scalar DM

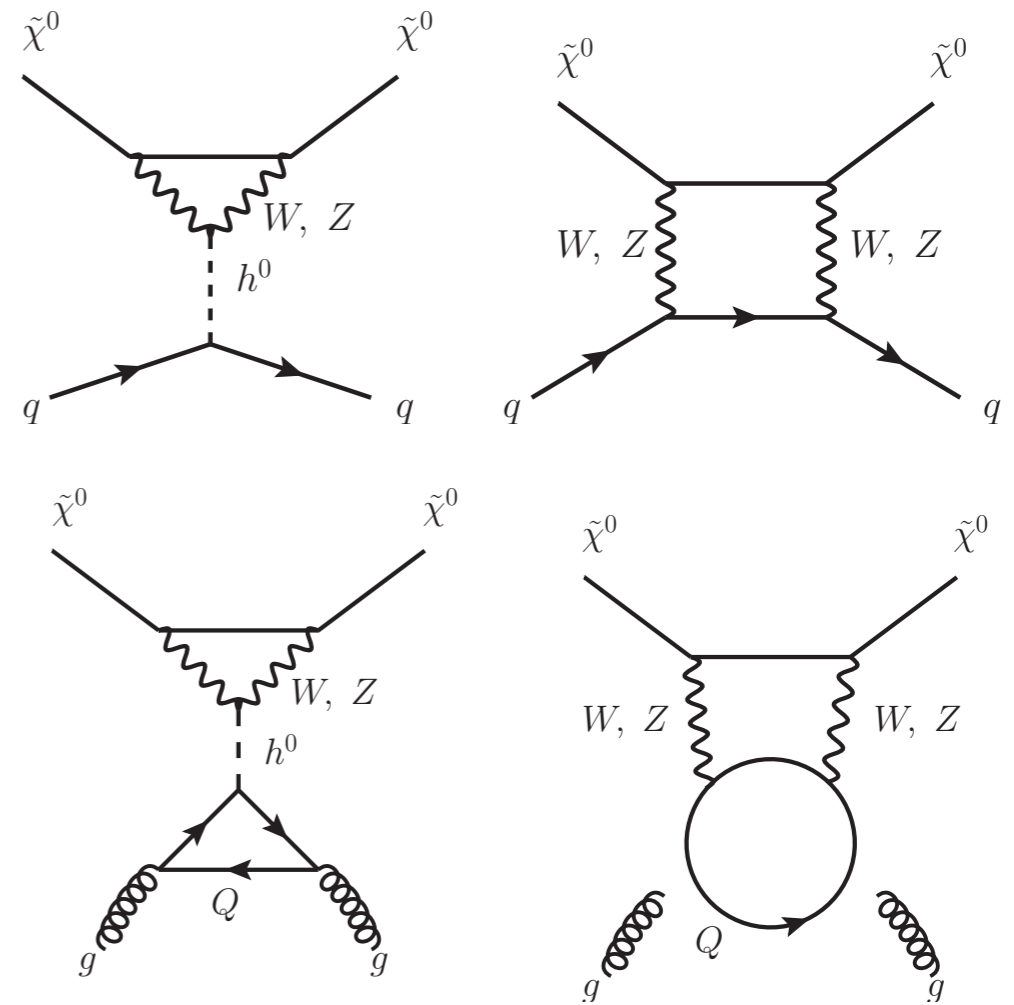


- Cross section is predicted as a function of DM mass.
- DM mass is limited up to a few TeV.

Electroweak interacting DM



Diagrams



- ▶ Triplet (pure wino), Minimal DM can be tested.
- ▶ Doublet (pure higgsino) is hard to probe.

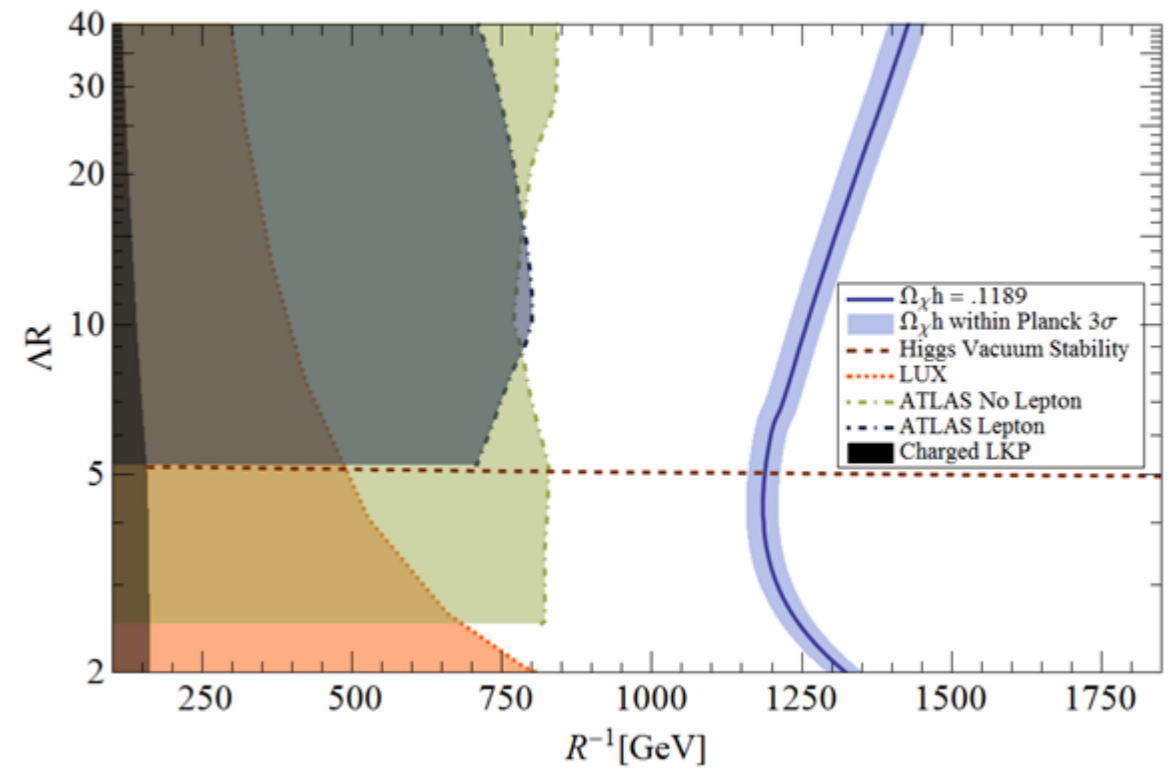
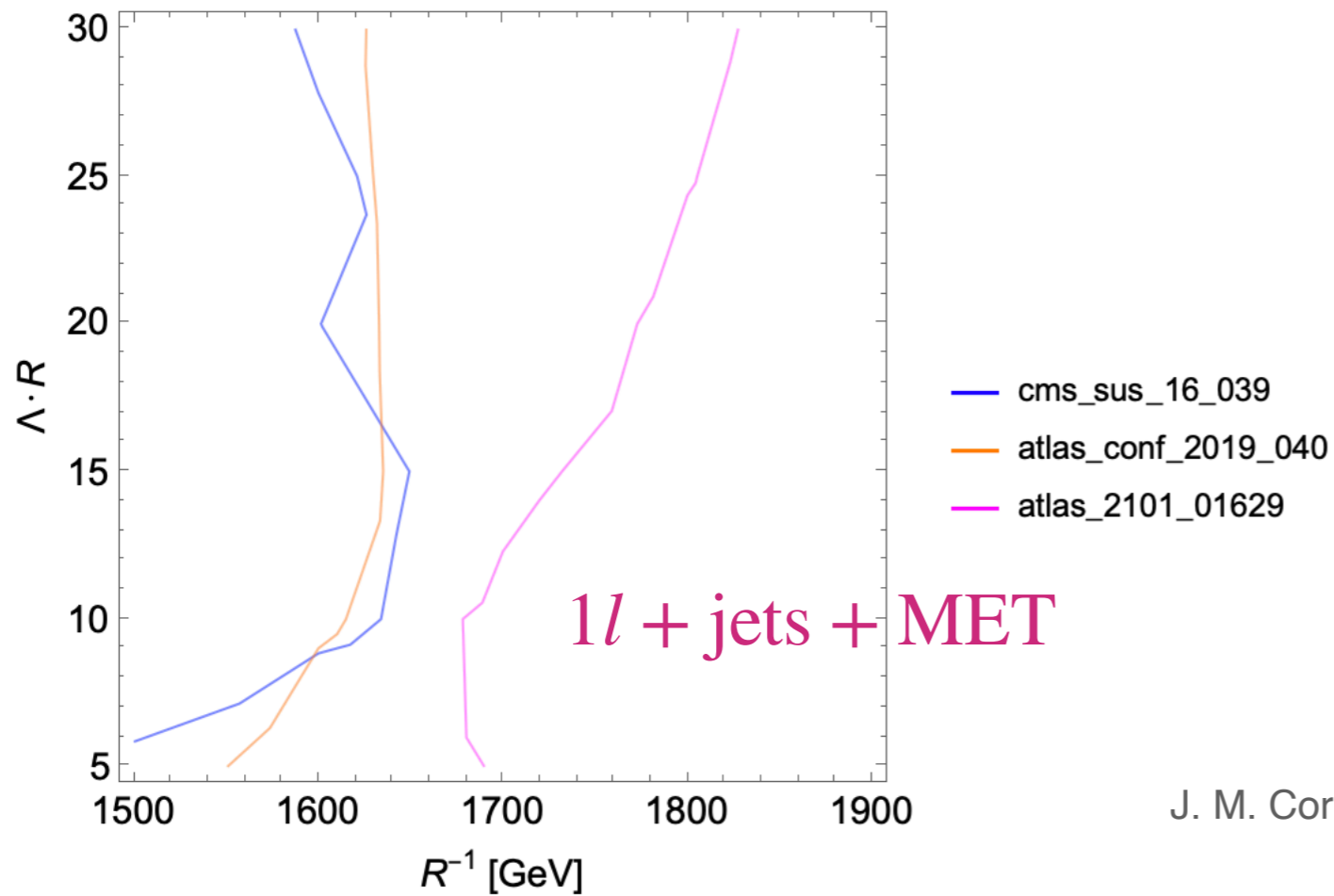
Caveat

For EW-interacting DM, **indirect searches** may be more promising.

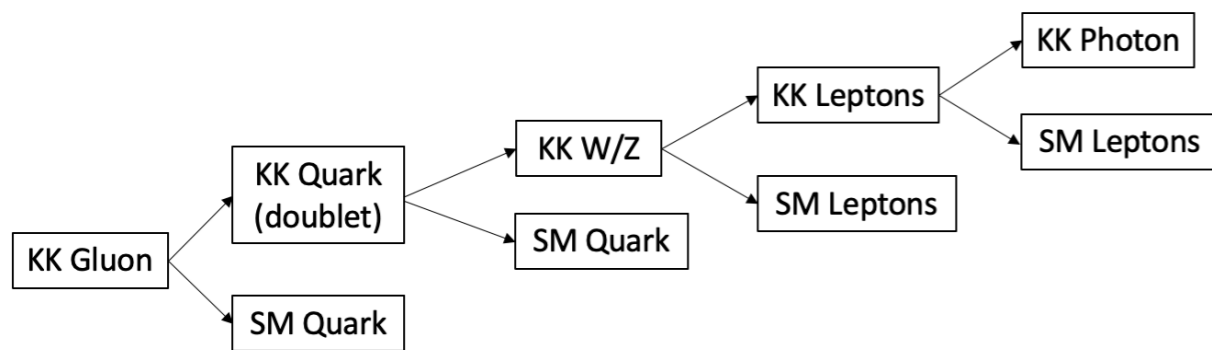


Ask Hiroshima-san about this!

Minimal UED



J. M. Cornell, S. Profumo, W. Shepherd, Phys. Rev. D **89**, 056005 (2014).



This scenario has been excluded by the LHC Run-2 experiments!

M. M. Flores, J. S. Kim, K. Rolbiecki, R. R. d. Bazan, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A **38**, 2350002 (2023).

DM heating in neutron stars

WIMP dark matter heating in NS

It has been discussed that the signature of WIMP DM may be detected via the **neutron star temperature observations**.

PHYSICAL REVIEW D **77**, 023006 (2008)

WIMP annihilation and cooling of neutron stars

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Neutron stars as dark matter probes

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Can neutron stars constrain dark matter?

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Dark Kinetic Heating of Neutron Stars and an Infrared Window on WIMPs, SIMPs, and Pure Higgsinos

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Idea

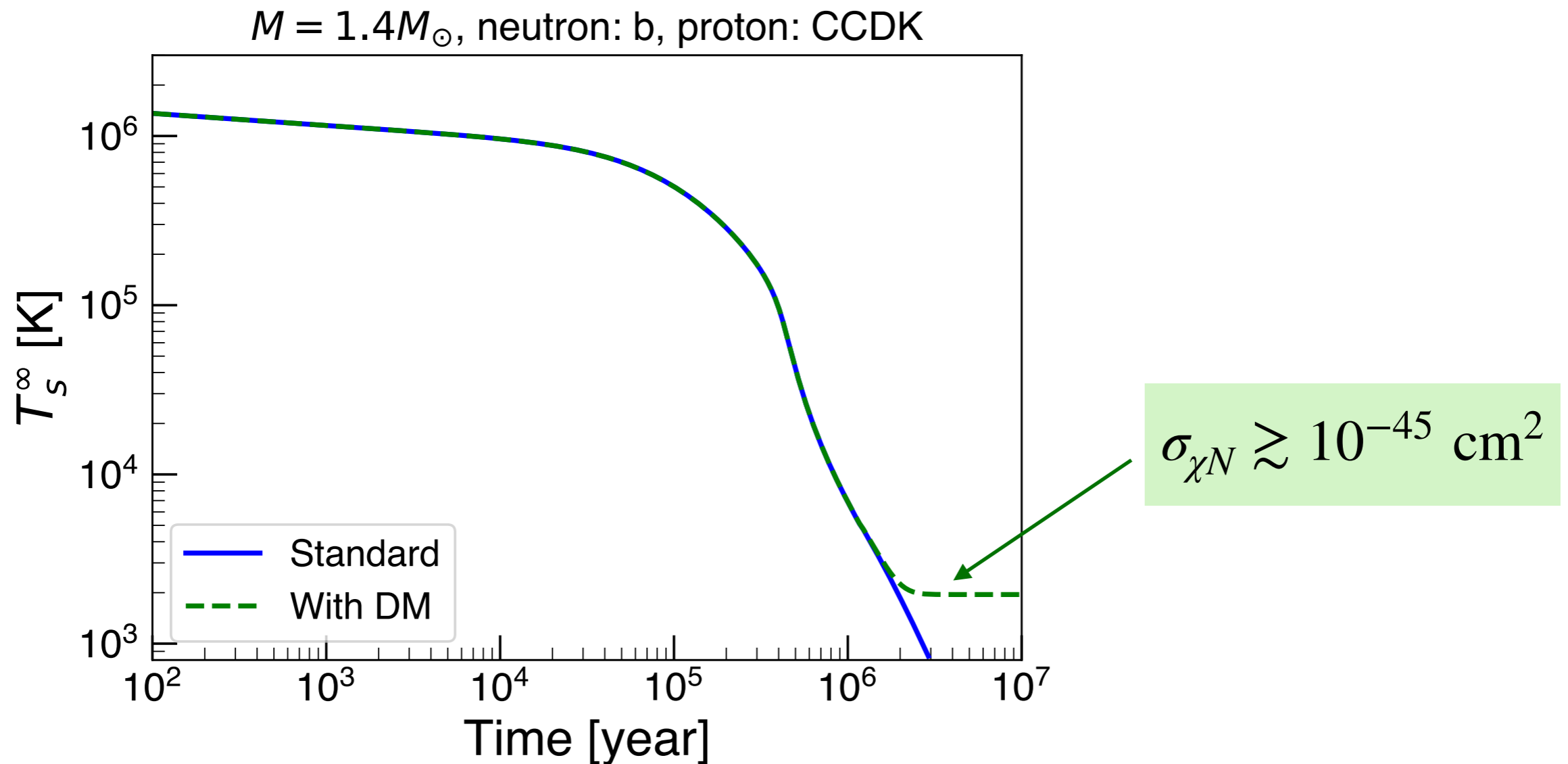
WIMP DM accretes on a neutron star (NS).



Annihilation of WIMPs in the NS core causes **heating effect**.

WIMP dark matter heating in NS

Dark matter heating effect may be observed in **old NSs**.



- In the standard cooling scenario, temperature becomes very low for $t > 10^7$ years.
- With DM heating effect, $T_s^{\infty} \rightarrow \sim 2 \times 10^3$ K at later times.

Size of neutron star vs Toyama



▶ Radius: ~10 km

▶ Mass: $1 - 2 M_{\odot}$

As high as
nuclear density.

- Neutrons, protons, electrons, muons are Fermi degenerate.
- Neutrons and protons form Cooper pairings.

Standard Cooling of NS

D. Pager, J. M. Lattimer, M. Prakash, A. W. Steiner, *Astrophys. J. Suppl.* **155**, 623 (2004);
M. E. Gusakov, A. D. Kaminker, D. G. Yakovlev, O. Y. Gnedin, *Astron. Astrophys.* **423**, 1063 (2004).

Consider a NS composed of

▶ Neutrons

▶ Protons

▶ Leptons (e, μ)

- Supposed to be in the β equilibrium.
- In Fermi degenerate states.

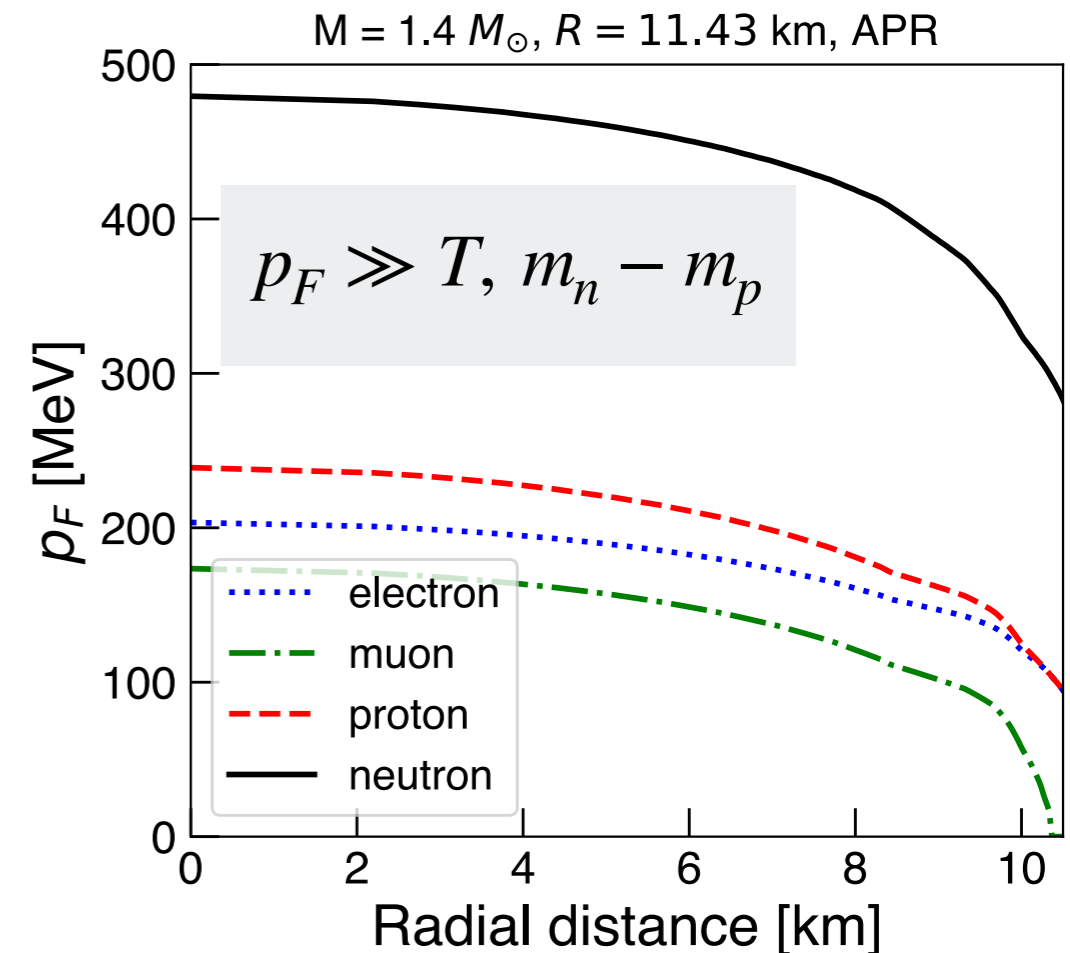
Equation for temperature evolution

$$C(T) \frac{dT}{dt} = -L_\nu - L_\gamma$$

$C(T)$: Stellar heat capacity

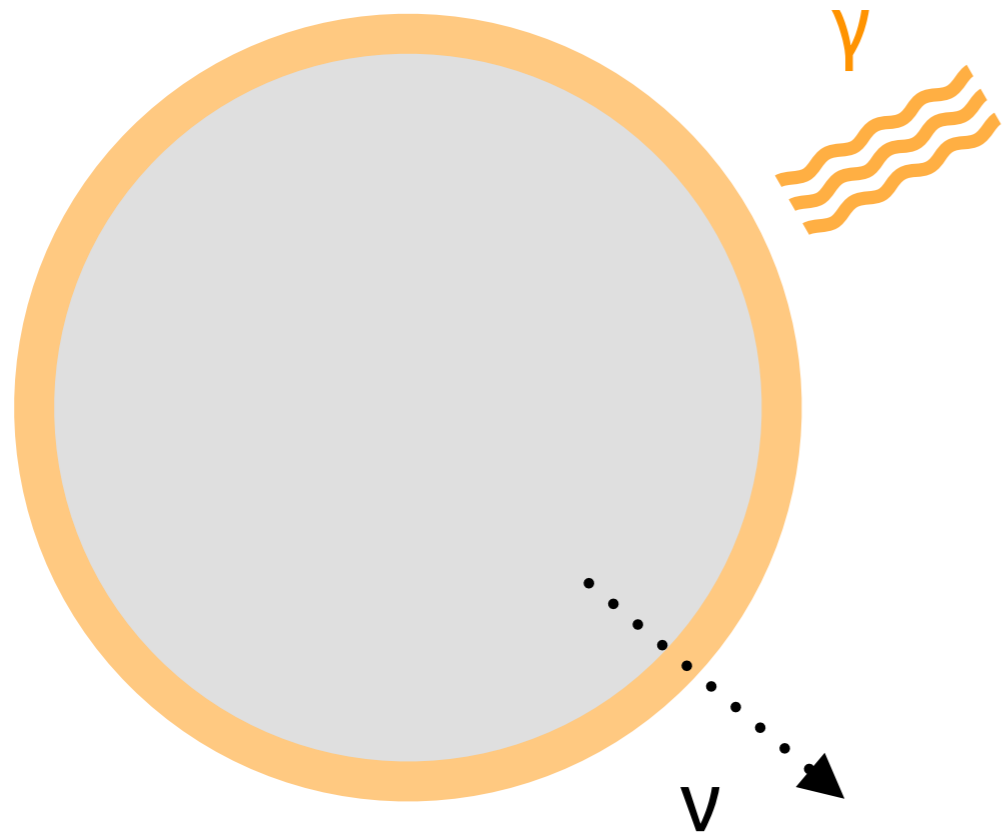
L_ν : Luminosity of neutrino emission

L_γ : Luminosity of photon emission



Cooling sources

Two cooling sources:



- Photon emission (from surface)

$$L_{\gamma} = 4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}} T_s^4$$

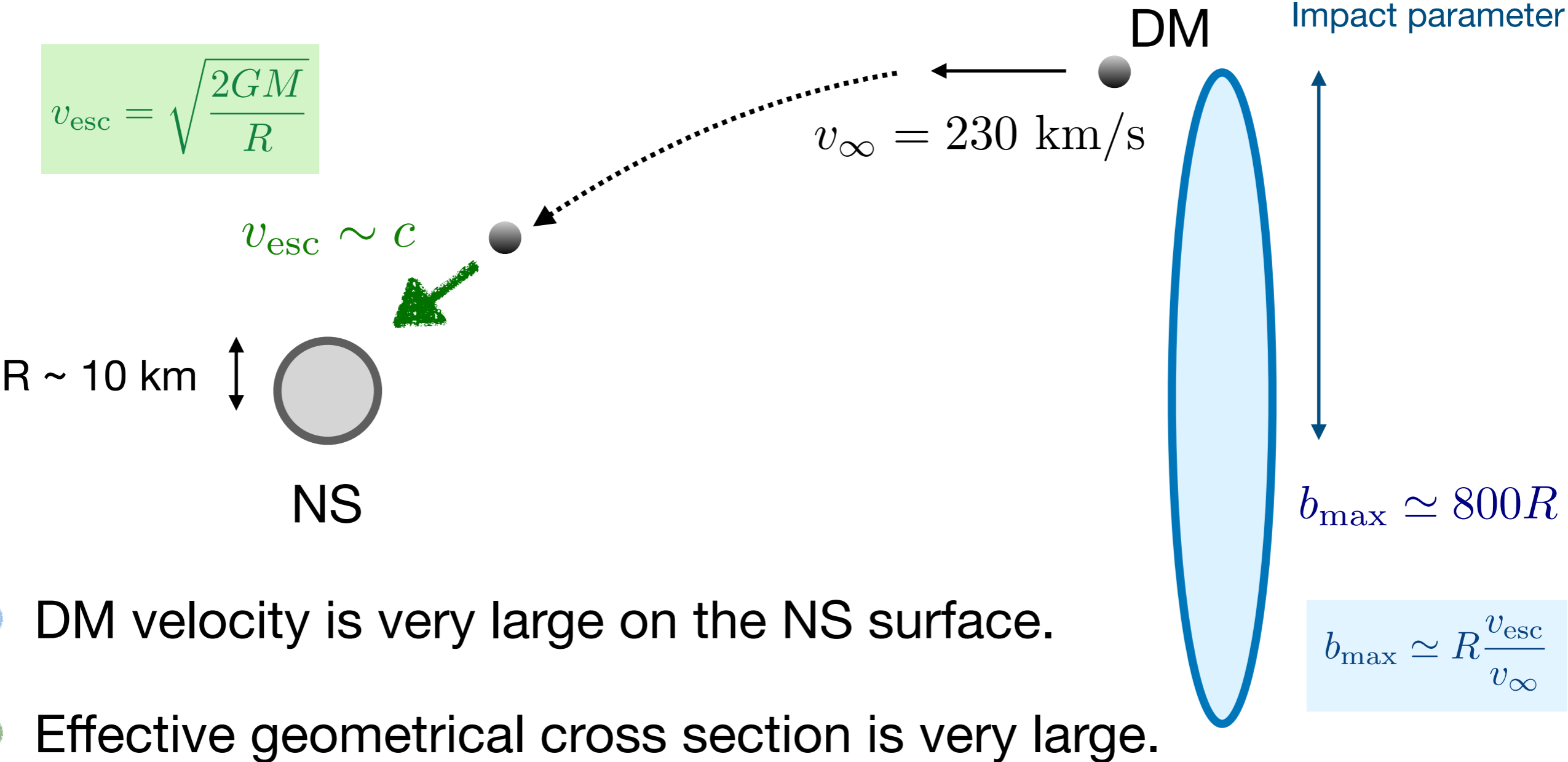
Dominant for $t \gtrsim 10^5$ years

- Neutrino emission (from core)
 - ▶ Direct Urca process (DURca)
 - ▶ Modified Urca process (MURca)
 - ▶ Bremsstrahlung
 - ▶ PBF process

Dominant for $t \lesssim 10^5$ years

Occurs when nucleon pairings are formed.

Dark matter accretion in NS



DM accretion rate is

$$\dot{N} \simeq \pi b_{\text{max}}^2 v_{\infty} \cdot \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}}{m_{\text{DM}}}$$

DM number density

Recoil energy

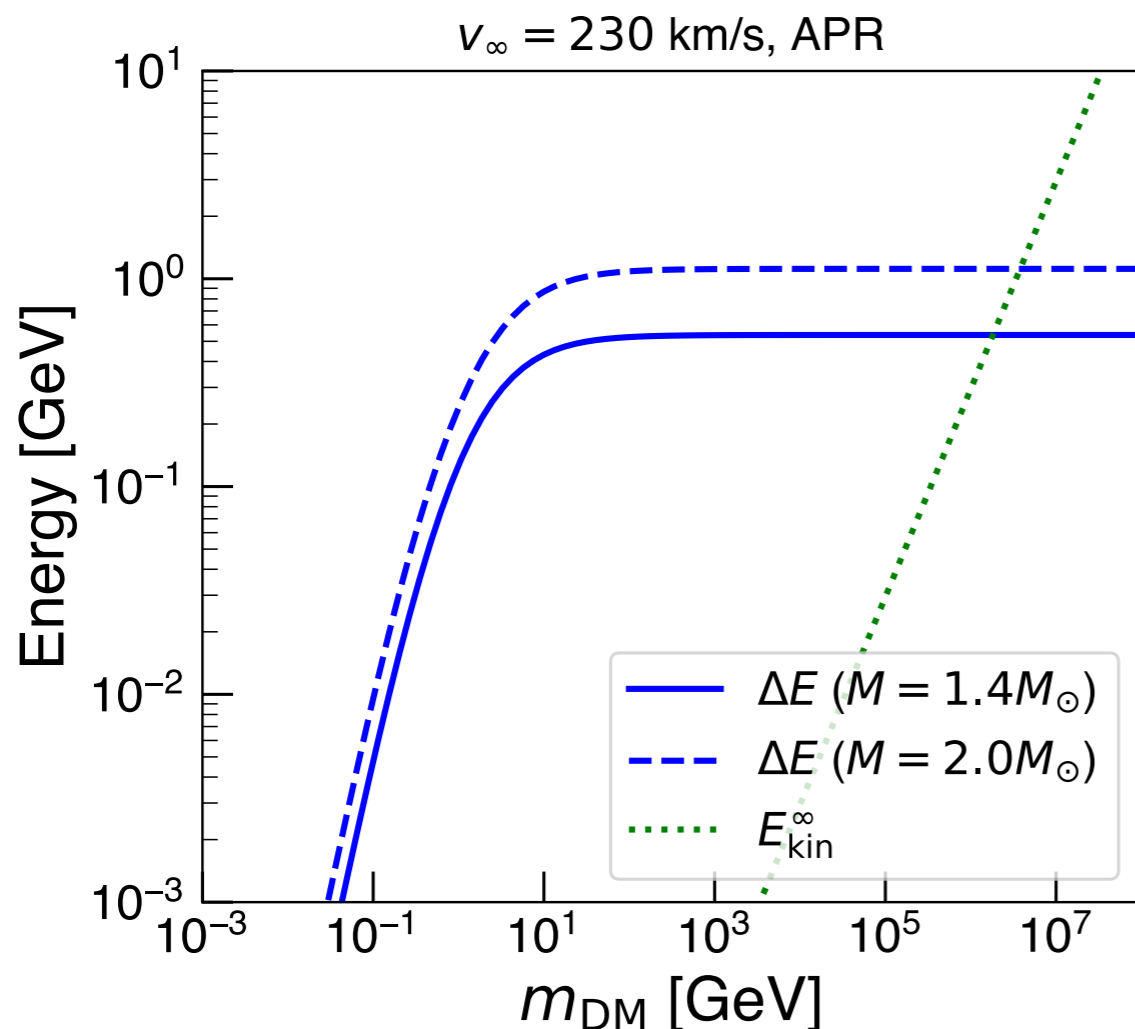
For each DM-nucleon scattering, WIMPs lose energy by

$$\Delta E = \frac{m_N m_{\text{DM}}^2 \gamma_{\text{esc}}^2 v_{\text{esc}}^2}{m_N^2 + m_{\text{DM}}^2 + 2\gamma_{\text{esc}} m_{\text{DM}} m_N} (1 - \cos \theta_c)$$

θ_c : scattering angle
in the CM frame.

$$\gamma_{\text{esc}} \equiv (1 - v_{\text{esc}}^2)^{-1/2}$$

Let us compare this with the **initial kinetic energy**: $E_{\text{kin}}^\infty = m_{\text{DM}} v_\infty^2 / 2$



► **One scattering** is sufficient for WIMPs to lose the initial kinetic energy.

► Energy transfer can be as large as **O(100) MeV**.

One scattering in NS

WIMP-nucleon scattering occurs **at least once** if

$$\text{Mean Free Path} \sim (\sigma_N n)^{-1} \sim \frac{m_N R^3}{M \sigma_N} \lesssim R \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sigma_N \gtrsim 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$$

σ_N : DM-nucleon scattering cross section

If this is satisfied, then **all of the accreted WIMPs are captured**.

If not, capture rate is **suppressed by $\sigma_N / \sigma_{\text{th}}$** .

Captured WIMPs eventually **annihilate** inside the NS core.

For old NSs, we have

Accretion rate

=

Annihilation rate

equilibrium

NS temperature with DM heating

At later times, the **DM heating** balances with the **cooling** by photon emission.

$$L_H = L_\gamma$$

$$L_H \simeq m_{\text{DM}} \dot{N} \simeq 2\pi G M R \rho_{\text{DM}} / v_\infty$$

Independent of DM mass.



$$2\pi G M R \rho_{\text{DM}} / v_\infty \simeq 4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}} T_s^4$$

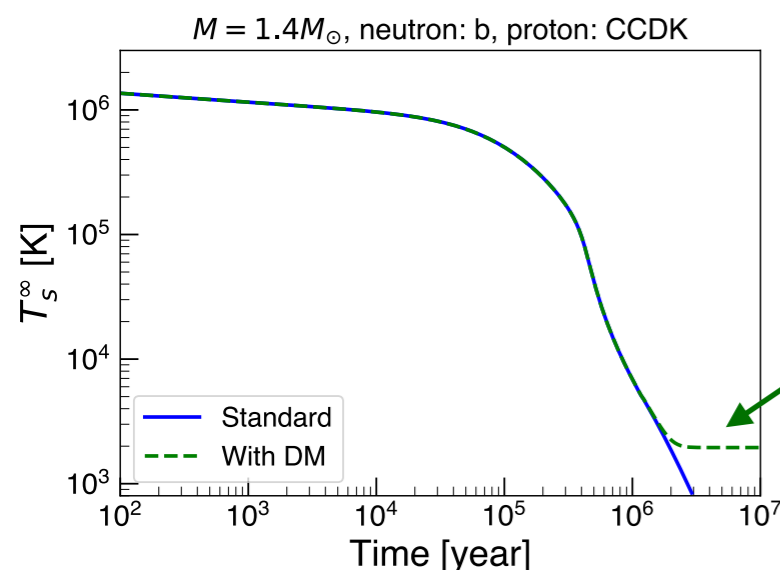
(for $\sigma > \sigma_{\text{th}}$)



$$T_s \simeq 2500 \text{ K}$$

Robust, smoking-gun prediction of DM heating.

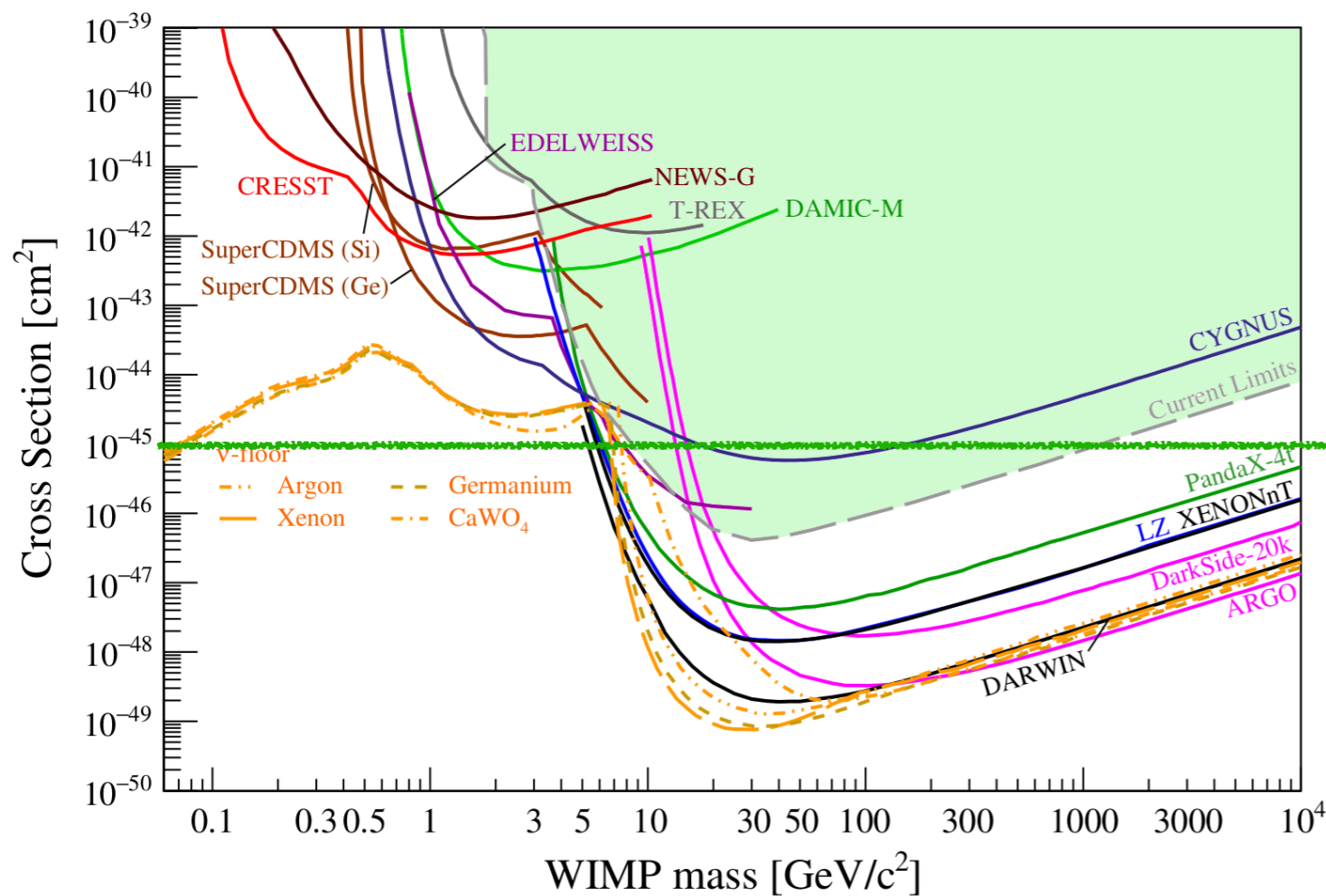
Can we observe this??



DM heating vs direct detection

In any case, an observation of a NS with $T_s \lesssim 2 \times 10^3$ K disfavors WIMPs which have $\sigma_N \gtrsim 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$.

Prospects for direct detection experiments



$$\sigma_N = 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$$

APPEC Committee Report, [arXiv:2104.07634](https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.07634).

Such a large scattering cross section can be probed in **direct detection experiments**. Why we should care about DM heating??

Advantage of DM heating in NSs

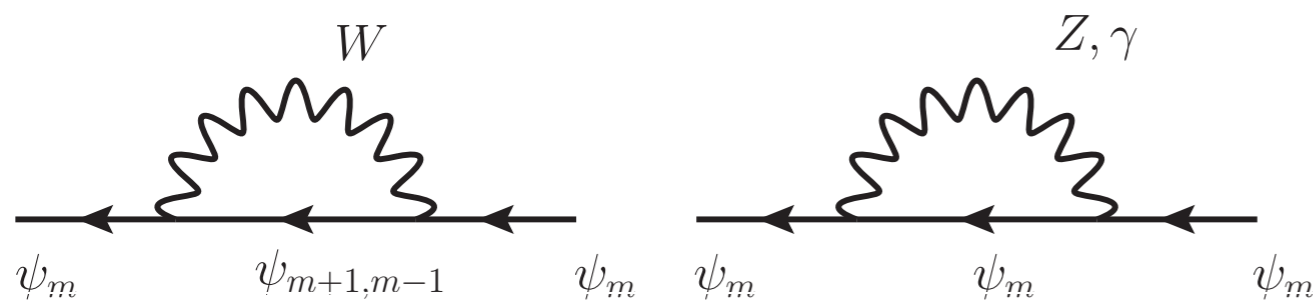
Bound from NS temperature may surpass those from DM direct searches in the following cases:

- **Inelastic scattering** occurs for $\Delta M \lesssim \mathcal{O}(100)$ MeV.
- Dark matter interacts only with **leptons**.
- WIMP-nucleon scattering is velocity-suppressed.
- Spin-dependent scattering
- Heavy/light dark matter

Electroweak multiplet DM

Electroweak multiplet DM is accompanied by **charged particles**, which are **degenerate in mass**.

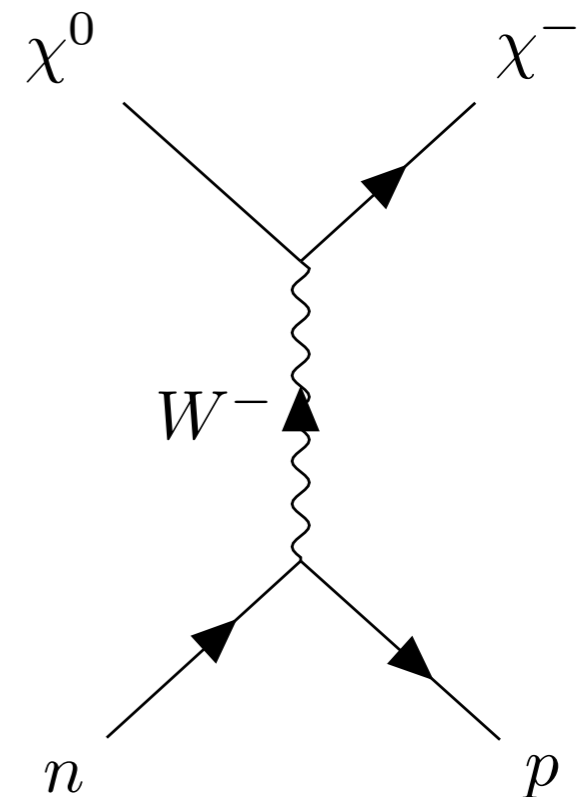
Mass splitting



$$\Delta M \simeq \alpha_2 m_W \sin^2 \frac{\theta_W}{2} + \alpha_2 Y m_W \left(\frac{1}{\cos \theta_W} - 1 \right)$$

O(100) MeV

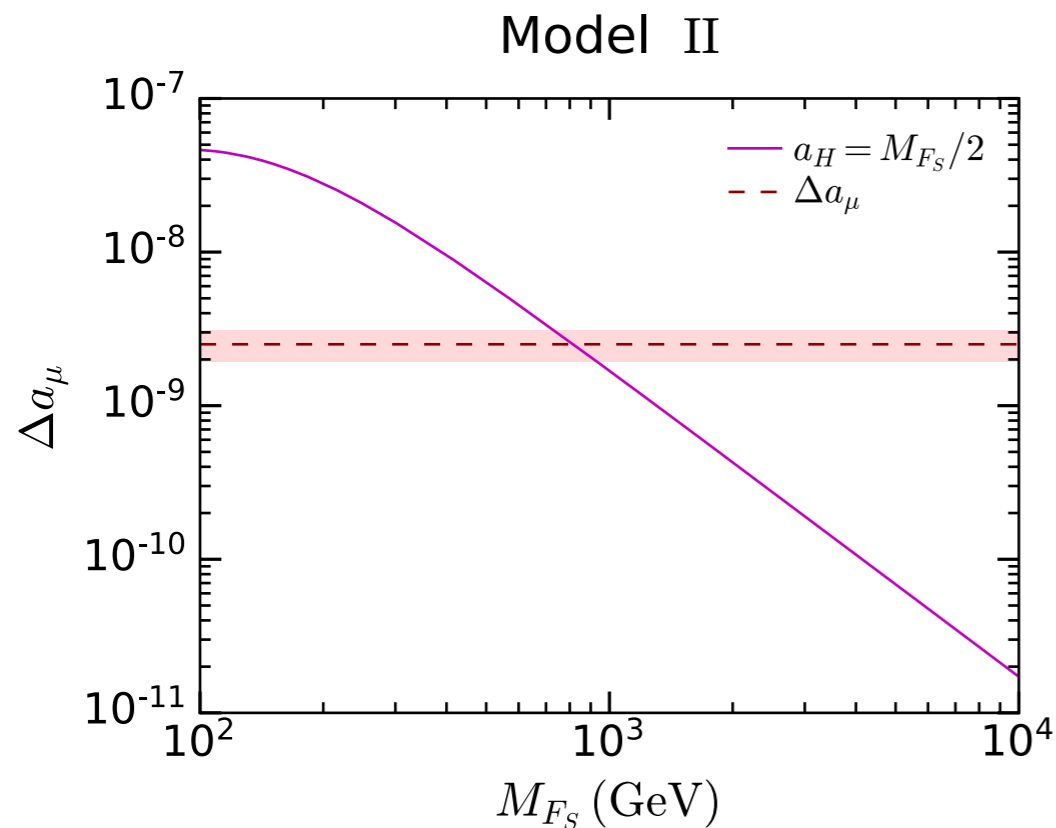
- **Inelastic scattering** can occur.
- Cross section is large enough for such a DM to be captured in NS.
- NS can be a promising probe for this class of DM candidates.



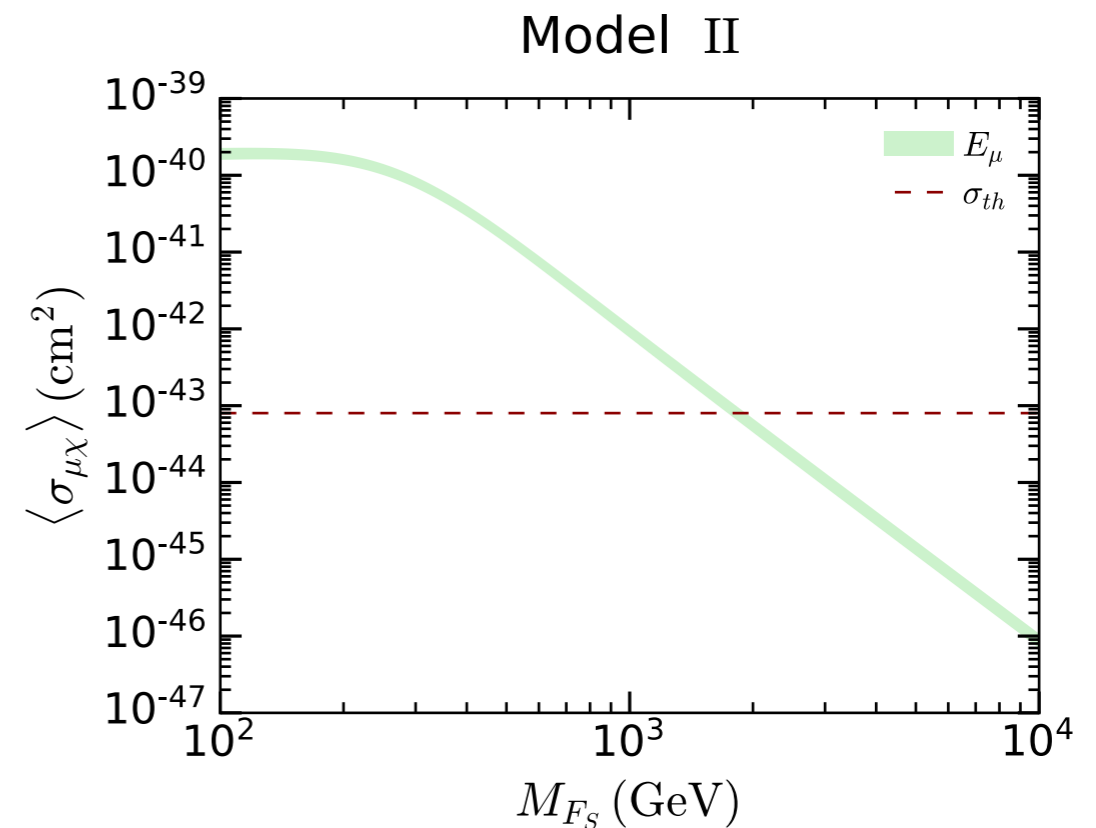
Muon g-2 and DM

NS heating can occur for DM models that couple only to leptons.

Muon g-2

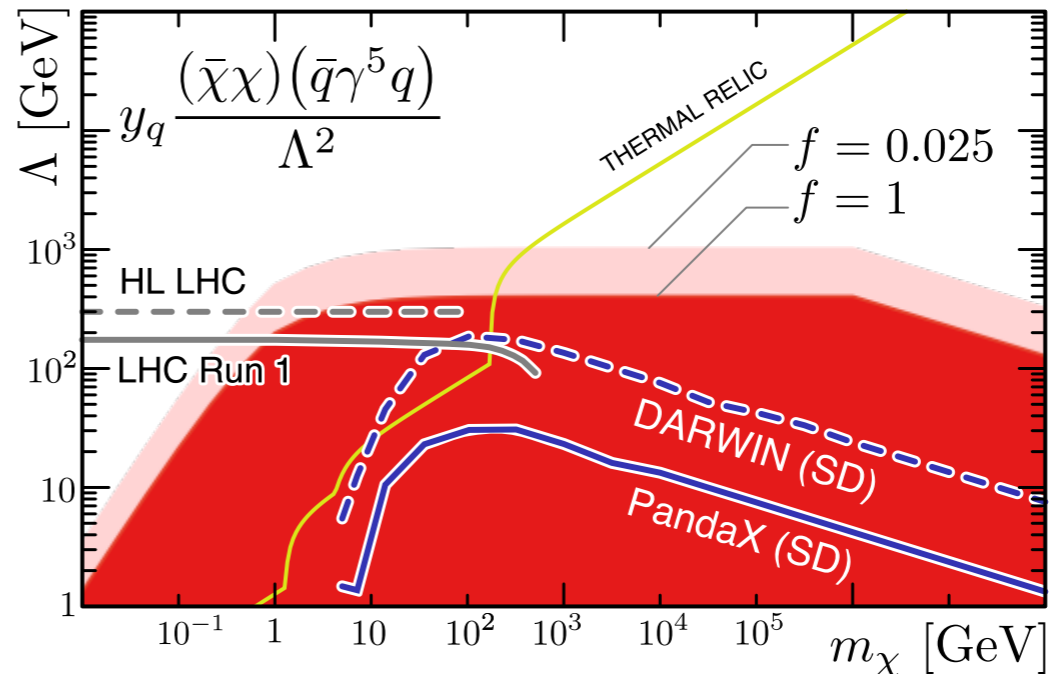
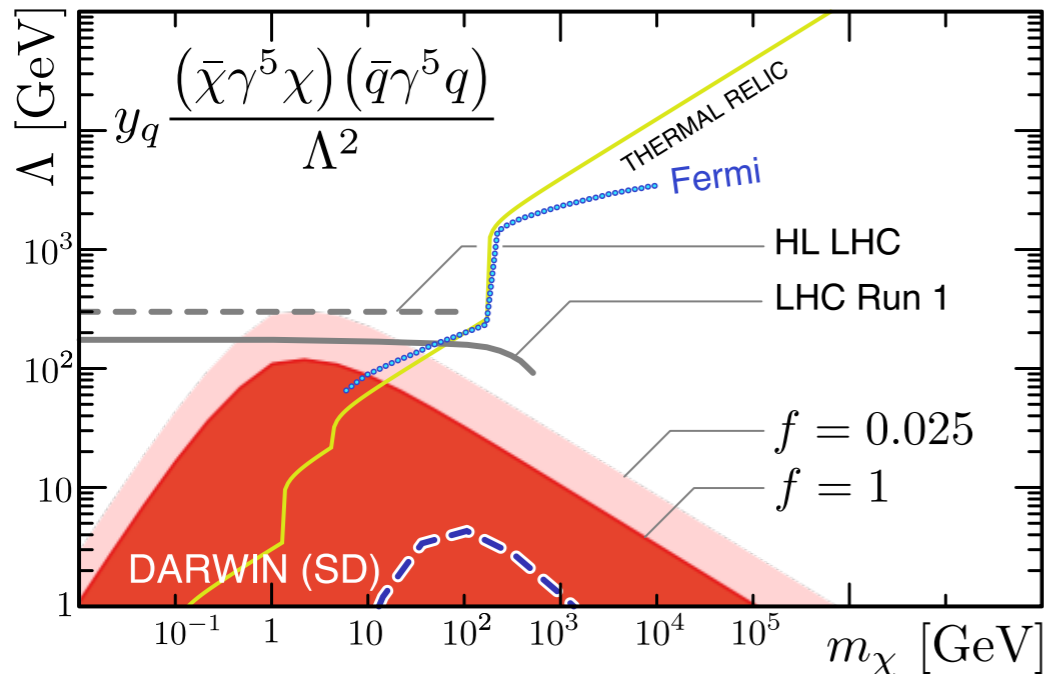
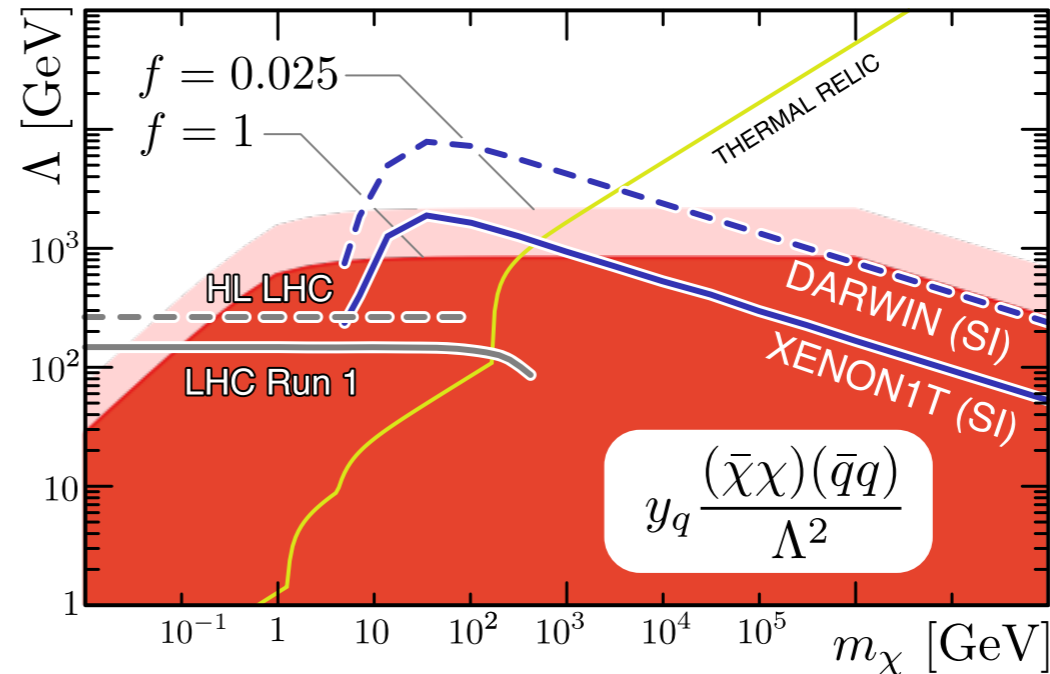
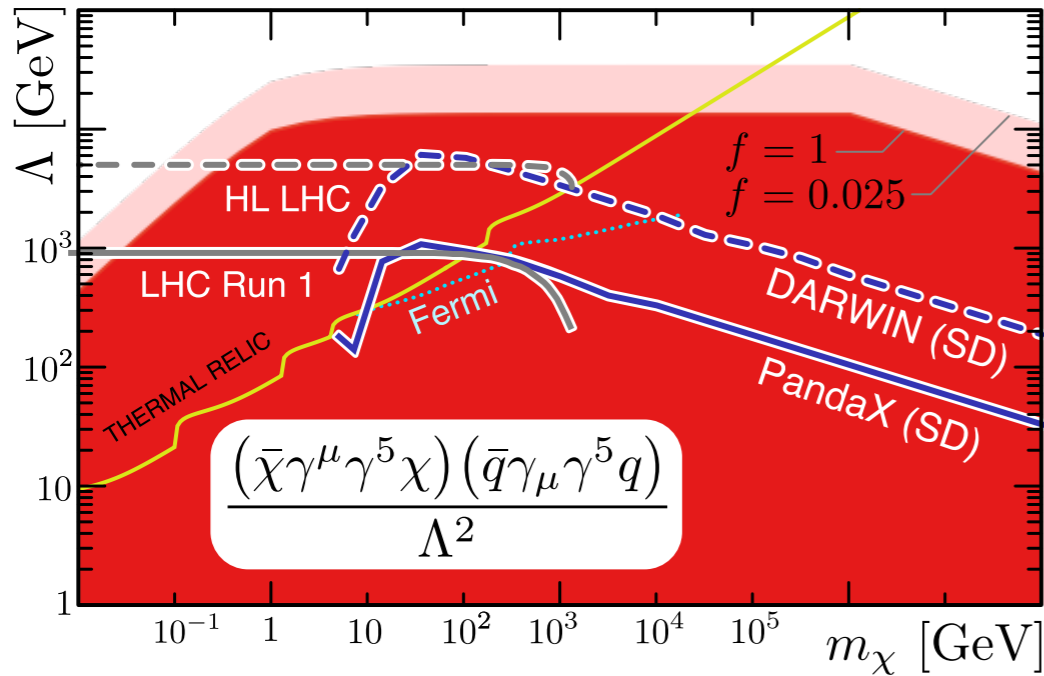


DM-muon scattering cross section



In the parameter regions where the **muon g-2 anomaly** is explained, DM-muon scattering is sufficiently large.

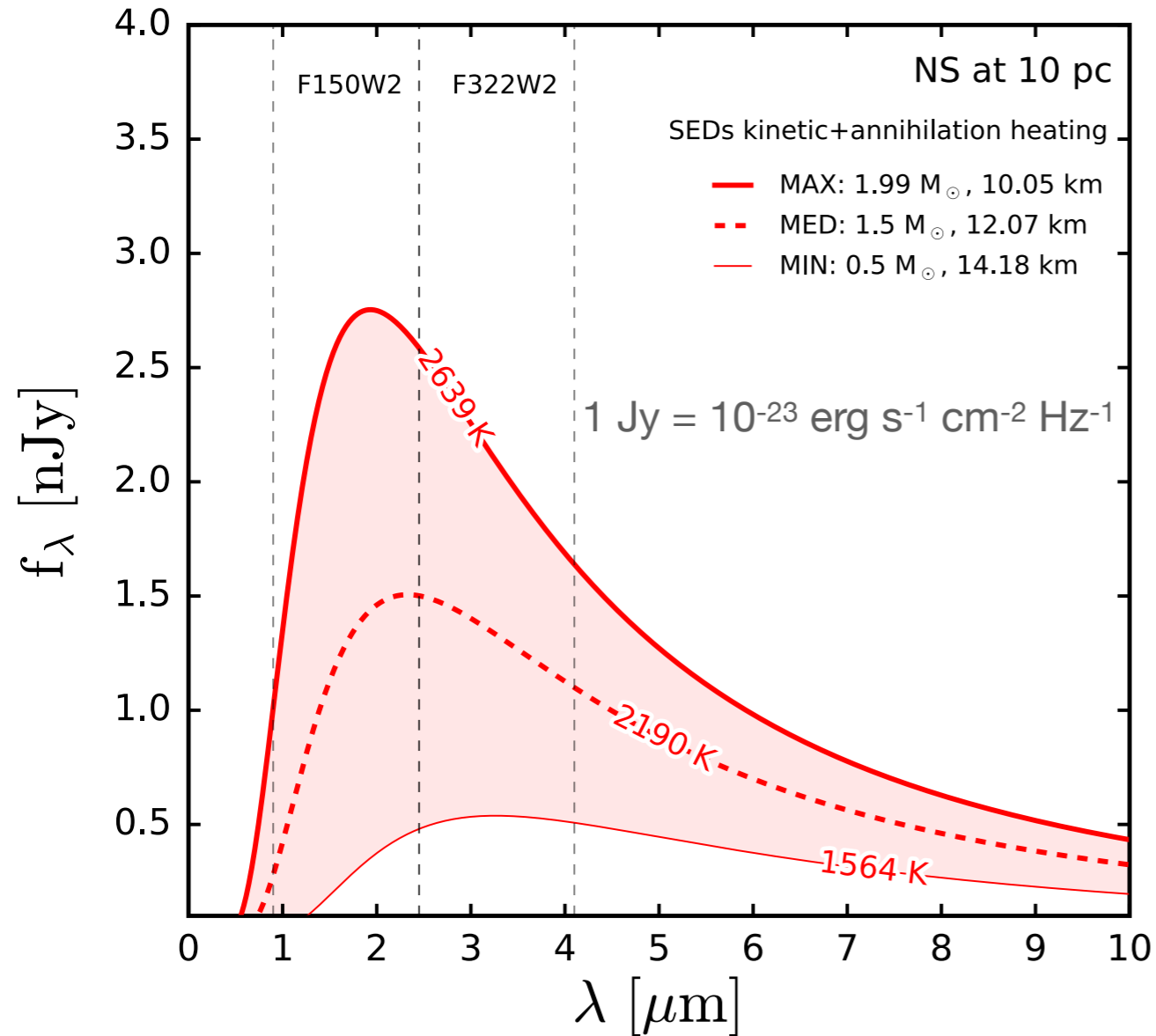
Effective operator analysis



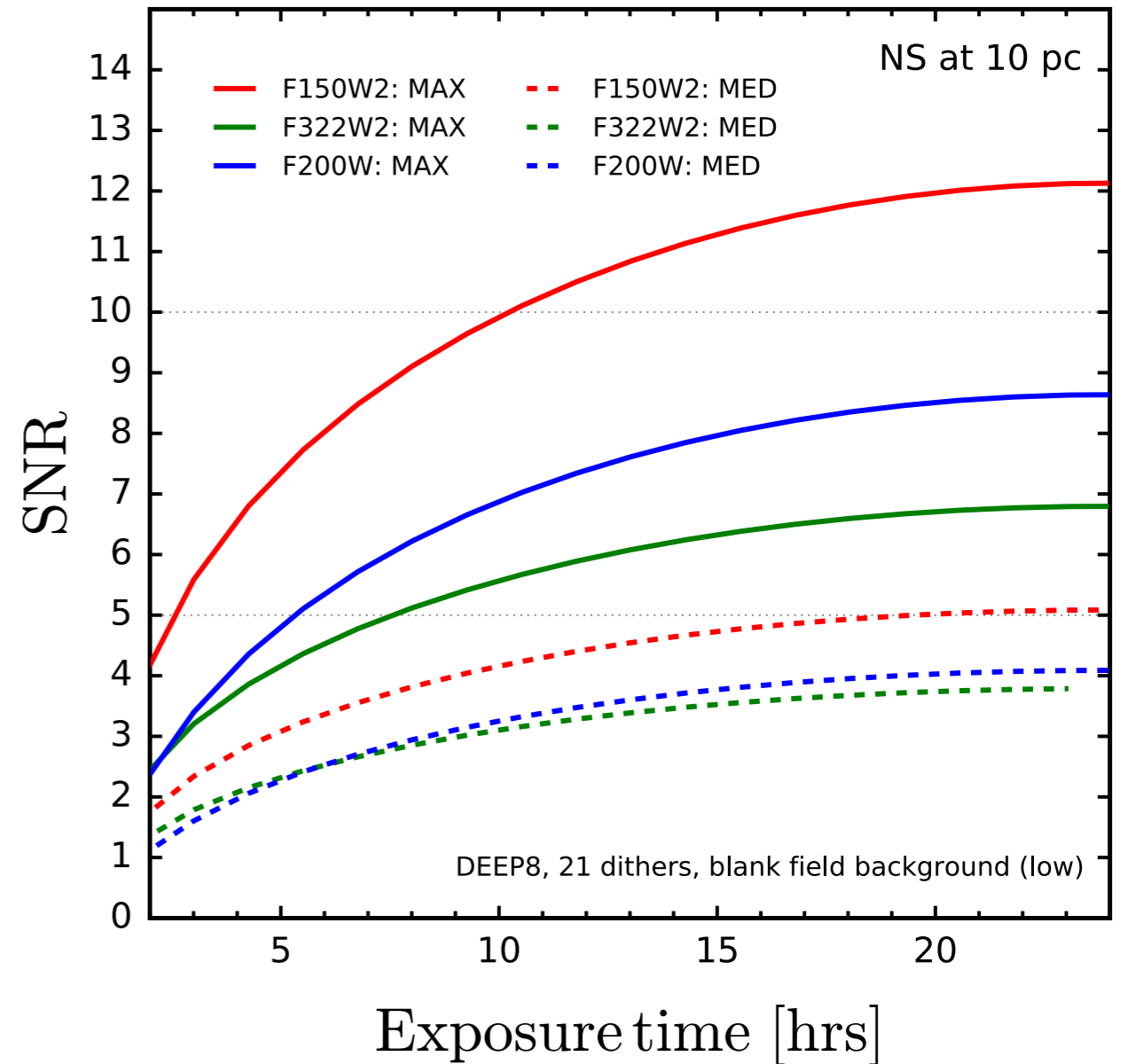
Challenges: observation

arXiv:2205.05048

Spectral distributions



Signal-to-noise ratio



- $\lambda \sim 2 \mu\text{m}$ \rightarrow Near-Infrared Camera (NIRCam) on JWST
- With the F150W2 filter, SNR $\gtrsim 5$ is obtained for 24 hours.

Challenges: other heating sources

In actual NSs, the following heating mechanisms due to the **slowdown of NS rotation** may operate:

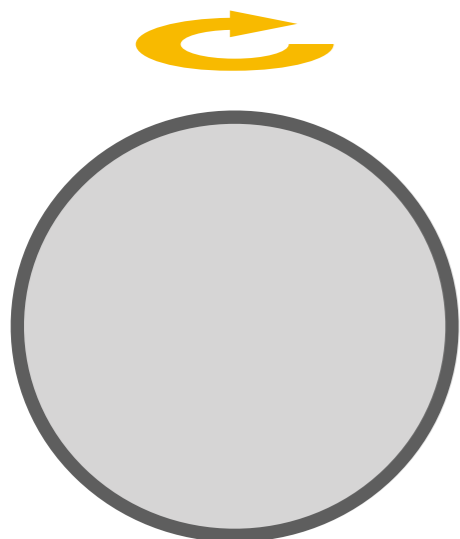
- Non-equilibrium beta processes

K. Hamaguchi, N. Nagata, K. Yanagi, Phys. Lett. **B795**, 484 (2019);
K. Hamaguchi, N. Nagata, K. Yanagi, MNRS **492**, 5508 (2020).

- Friction caused by vortex creep

M. Fujiwara, K. Hamaguchi, N. Nagata, M. E. Ramirez-Quezada, arXiv:2308.16066, 2309.02633.

These heating may conceal the DM heating.



Summary

Conclusion

- DM heating predicts NS surface temperature of ~ **a few thousand K** at later times.
- This may be detectable.
- An observation of a NS with $T_s^\infty \lesssim 10^3$ K can give a stringent constraint on WIMP DM models.
 - ▶ Electroweak multiplet dark matter
 - ▶ Muon g-2 motivated dark matter models

Appendix: other heating mechanisms

Other heating sources?

If there are other heating sources in NSs, DM heating effect may be concealed.

- ▶ There is no heating source in **Standard NS cooling theory**.
- ▶ Is it possible to have extra heating sources?

Or, even motivated?

Old warm neutron stars?

Recently, “old but warm neutron stars” have been observed.

Milli-second pulsars

▶ J0437-4715: $t_{\text{sd}} = (6.7 \pm 0.2) \times 10^9$ years, $T_s^\infty = (1.25 - 3.5) \times 10^5$ K

O. Kargaltsev, G. G. Pavlov, and R. W. Romani, *Astrophys. J.* **602**, 327 (2004);
M. Durant, *et al.*, *Astrophys. J.* **746**, 6 (2012).

▶ J2124-3358: $t_{\text{sd}} = 11_{-3}^{+6} \times 10^9$ years, $T_s^\infty = (0.5 - 2.1) \times 10^5$ K

B. Rangelov, *et al.*, *Astrophys. J.* **835**, 264 (2017).

Ordinary pulsars

▶ J0108-1431: $t_{\text{sd}} = 2.0 \times 10^8$ years, $T_s^\infty = (2.7 - 5.5) \times 10^4$ K

V. Abramkin, Y. Shibano, R. P. Mignani, and G. G. Pavlov, *Astrophys. J.* **911**, 1 (2021).

▶ B0950+08: $t_{\text{sd}} = 1.75 \times 10^7$ years, $T_s^\infty = (6 - 12) \times 10^4$ K

V. Abramkin, G. G. Pavlov, Y. Shibano, and O. Kargaltsev, *Astrophys. J.* **924**, 128 (2022).

These observations **cannot** be explained in the standard cooling.

Topics of this Appendix

- We need an extra **heating** source to explain those observations.

Candidates for the heating mechanism

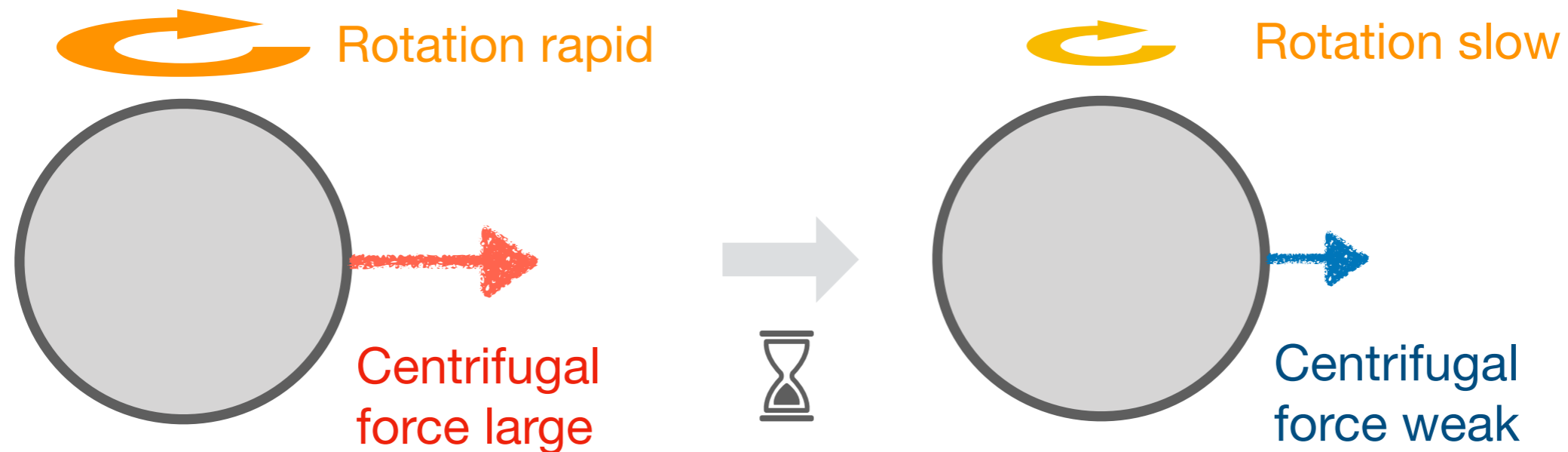
- ▶ Non-equilibrium beta processes
 - ▶ Friction caused by vortex creep
- Can we still observe the DM heating effect in the presence of this extra heating effect??

Non-equilibrium β processes

Loop hole in standard cooling

In the standard cooling, β equilibrium is assumed.

In a real pulsar

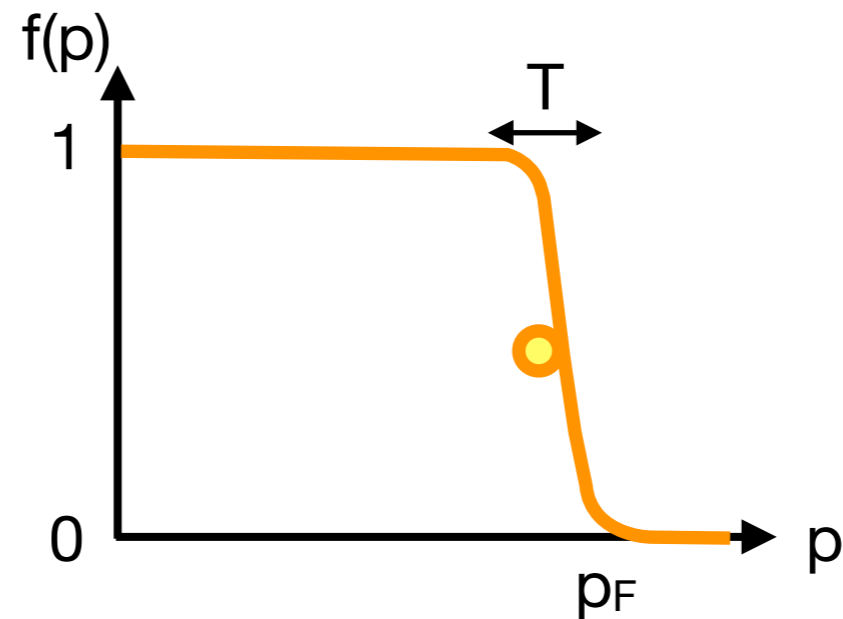
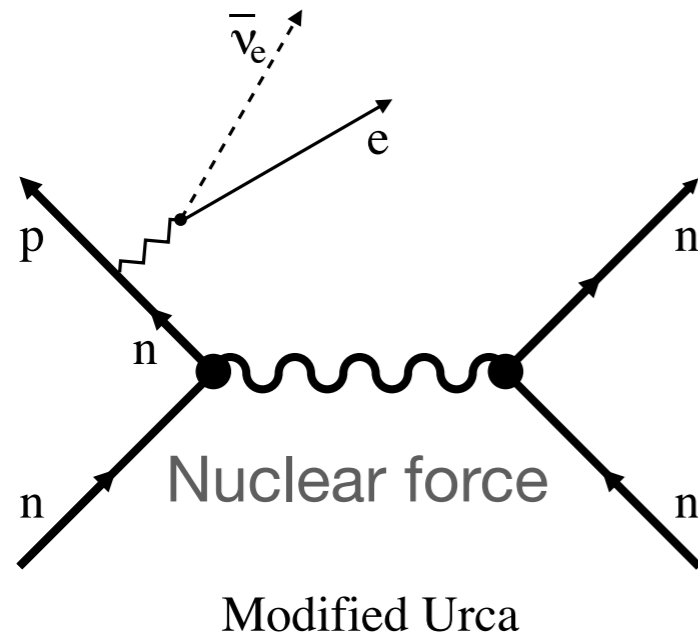


Local pressure changes. **Chemical equilibrium condition changes.**

If the beta processes are rapid enough, the system can follow the change in the equilibrium condition. But...

Neutrino emission

The beta processes are highly suppressed at later times, i.e., for low temperatures.



Only the particles near the Fermi surface can participate in the processes.

➔ **Deviation from β equilibrium**

A. Reisenegger, *Astrophys. J.* **442**, 749 (1995).

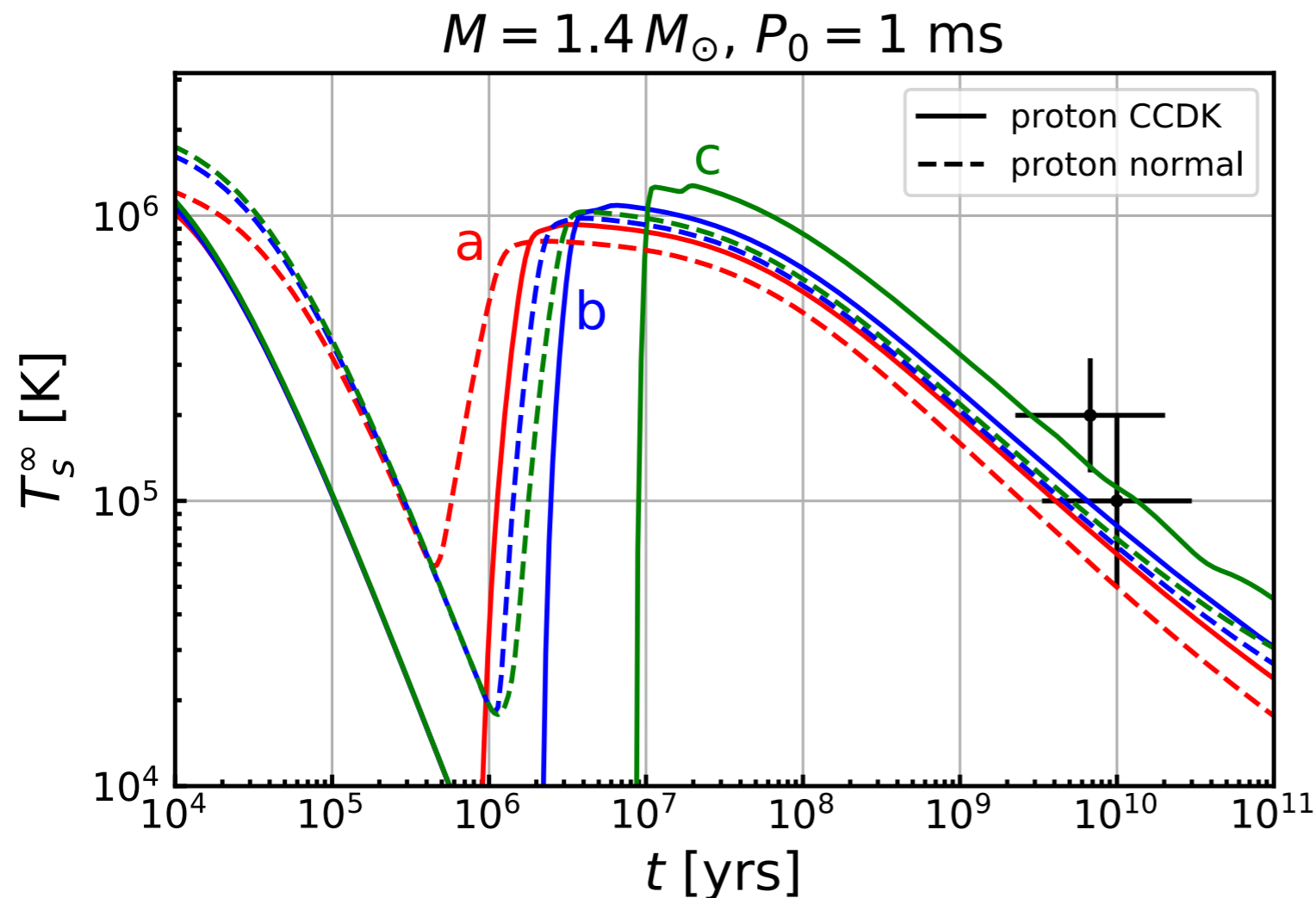
The imbalance in chemical potentials is dissipated as heat.

➔ **Rotochemical heating**

R. Fernandez and A. Reisenegger, *Astrophys. J.* **625**, 291 (2005);
C. Petrovich, A. Reisenegger, *Astron. Astrophys.* **521**, A77 (2010).

Millisecond pulsars

We take account of the effect of **non-equilibrium β processes**.

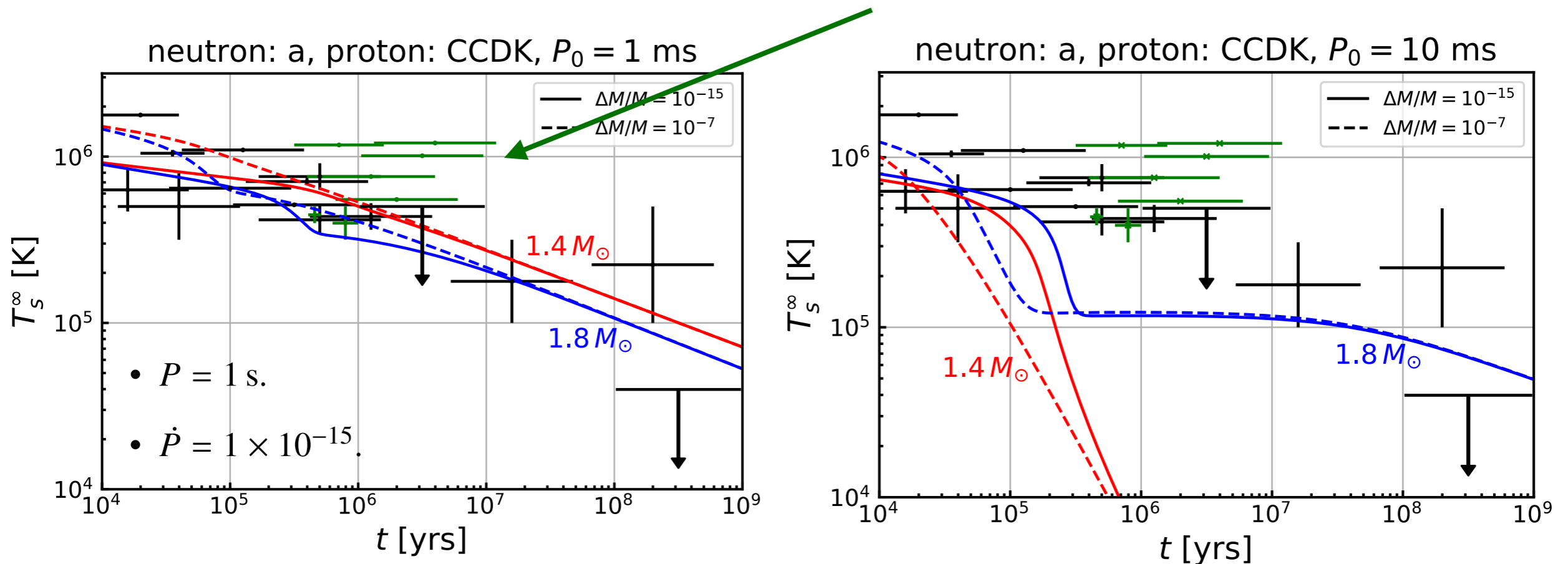


- $M = 1.4 M_{\odot}$.
- $P = 5.8 \text{ ms}$.
- $\dot{P} = 5.7 \times 10^{-20}$.

- Rotochemical heating always occurs in MSPs.
- We can explain the observations.

Ordinary pulsars

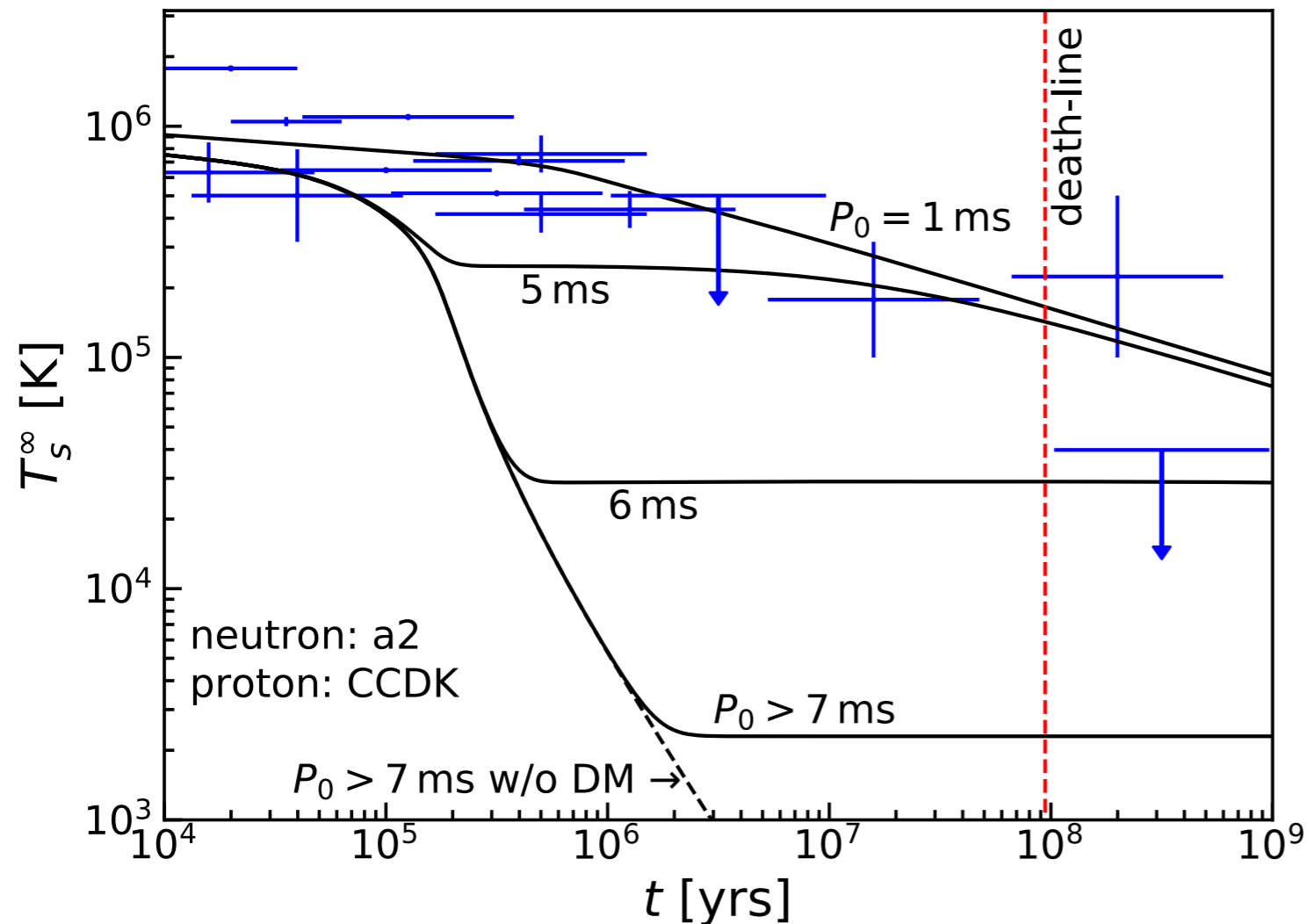
Heating due to magnetic field decay may occur.



- The temperature evolution highly depends on the **initial period P_0** of pulsars.
- We can explain all of the observations.
 - ▶ Cool star: large initial period \rightarrow no rotochemical heating.
 - ▶ Warm star: small initial period \rightarrow rotochemical heating effective.

Rotochemical heating vs DM heating

Now we include both the **DM** and **rotochemical** heating effects.



Simulations show that P_0 can be as large as $O(100)$ ms.

See, e.g., 1811.05483.

- If P_0 is large enough, DM heating effect can be observed.
- It is always concealed in millisecond pulsars.

Vortex Creep Heating

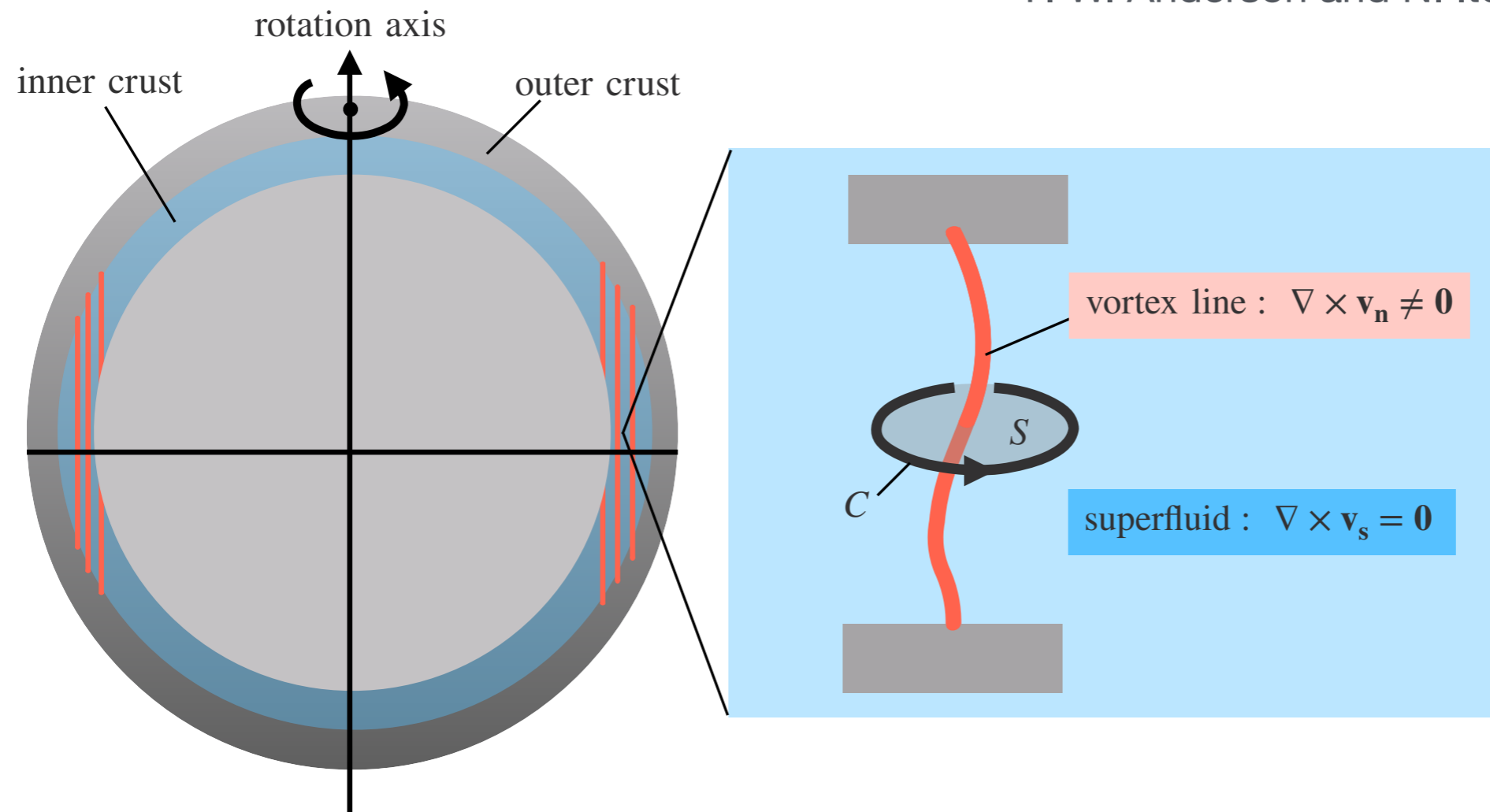
Neutron superfluid vortex lines

Neutrons form **Cooper pairs** in NSs. \rightarrow Neutron superfluidity

In a rotating NS, superfluid **vortex lines** are formed.

The vortex lines are fixed to the crust by nuclear interactions.

P. W. Anderson and N. Itoh, Nature **256**, 25 (1975).



Vortex creep

Due to the pulsar radiation, the **crust component** slows down.

But the **superfluid component** does not.

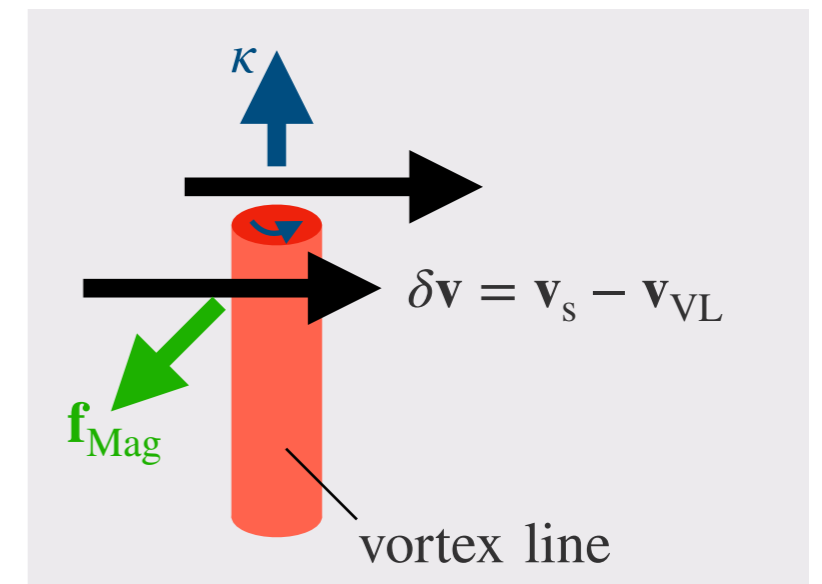
→ The rotational speed difference developed.

This induces **Magnus force**.

When it gets large enough, vortex lines start to move outwards.

Vortex creep

→ Speed difference decreases.



The vortex creep keeps the speed difference constant.

$$\Omega_{SF} - \Omega_{crust} = \text{const.}$$

Determined by the pinning force.

Vortex creep heating

M. A. Alpar, et.al., *Astrophys. J.* **276**, 325 (1984);
M. Shibazaki and F. K. Lamb, *Astrophys. J.* **346**, 808 (1989).

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Moment of inertia

Determined by the pinning force.

All NSs have similar values of J.

In old NSs, this heating balances with the **photon cooling**:

$$L_H = L_\gamma = 4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}} T_s^4$$



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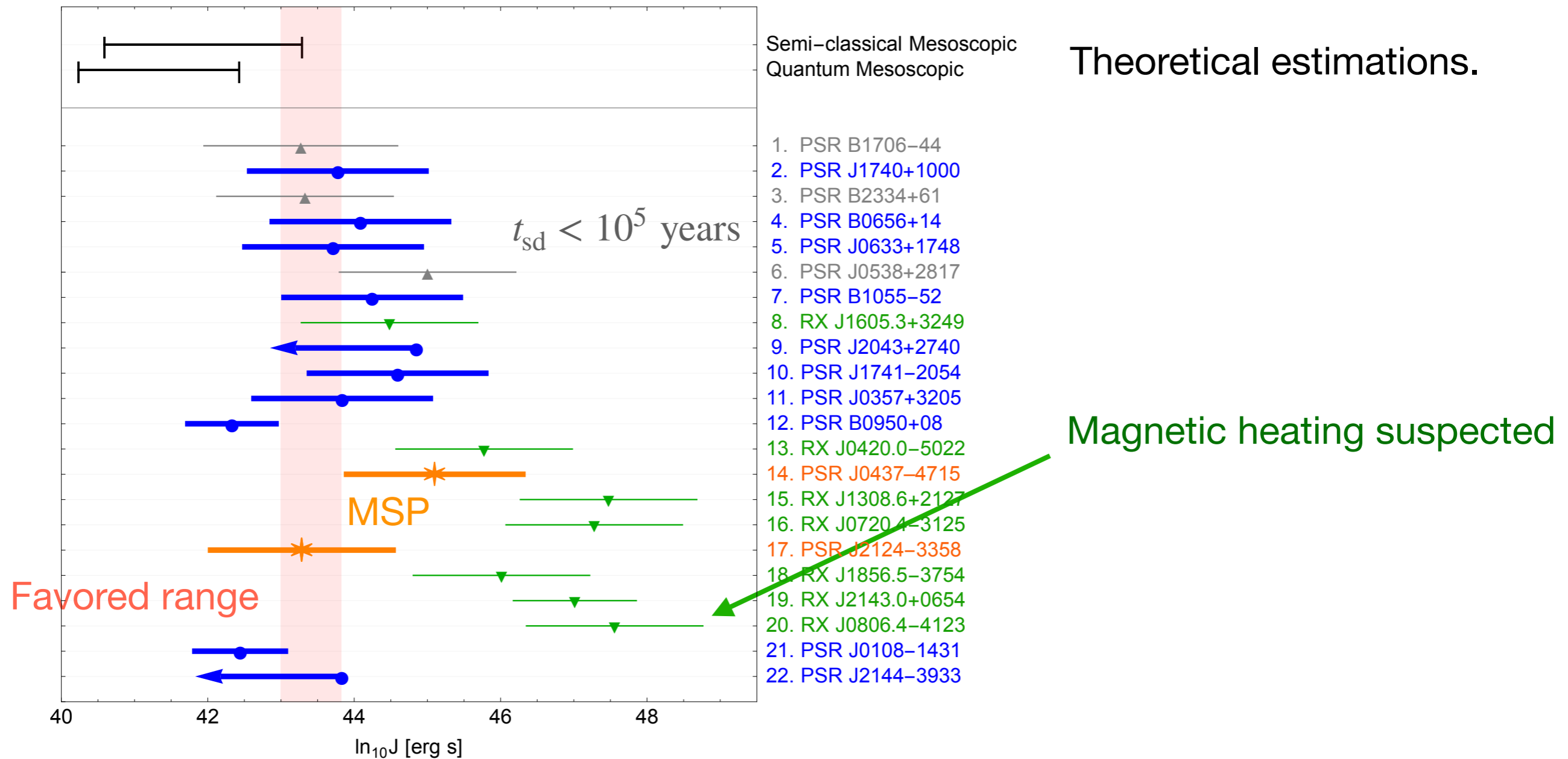


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Vortex creep heating vs observations

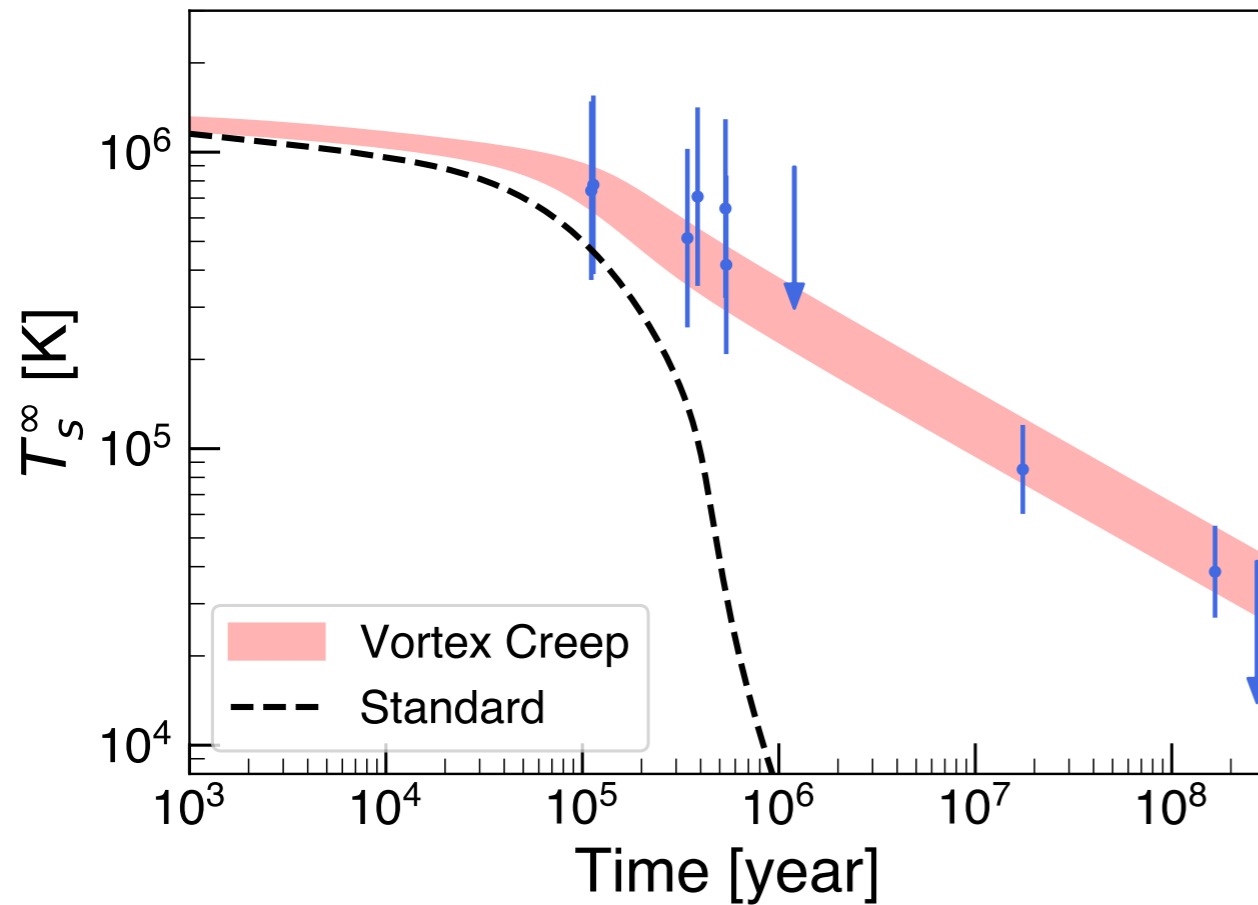


- Observations find similar values of J.
- Theoretical calculations are in the same ballpark.

Vortex creep heating vs observations

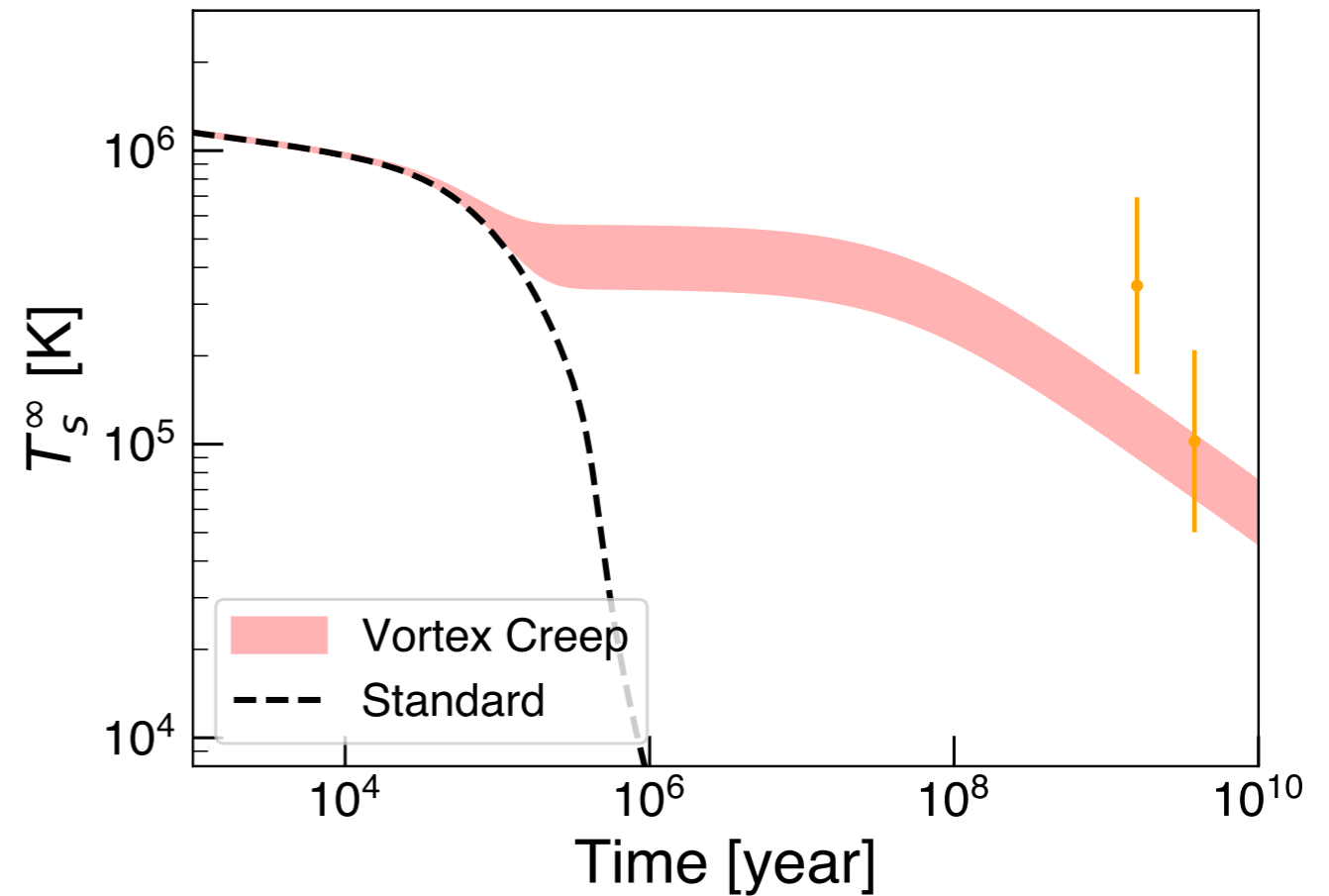
Ordinary pulsars

$$\dot{P}P = 10^{-15} \text{ s}, P_0 = 10 \text{ ms}, M = 1.4M_\odot$$



Millisecond pulsars

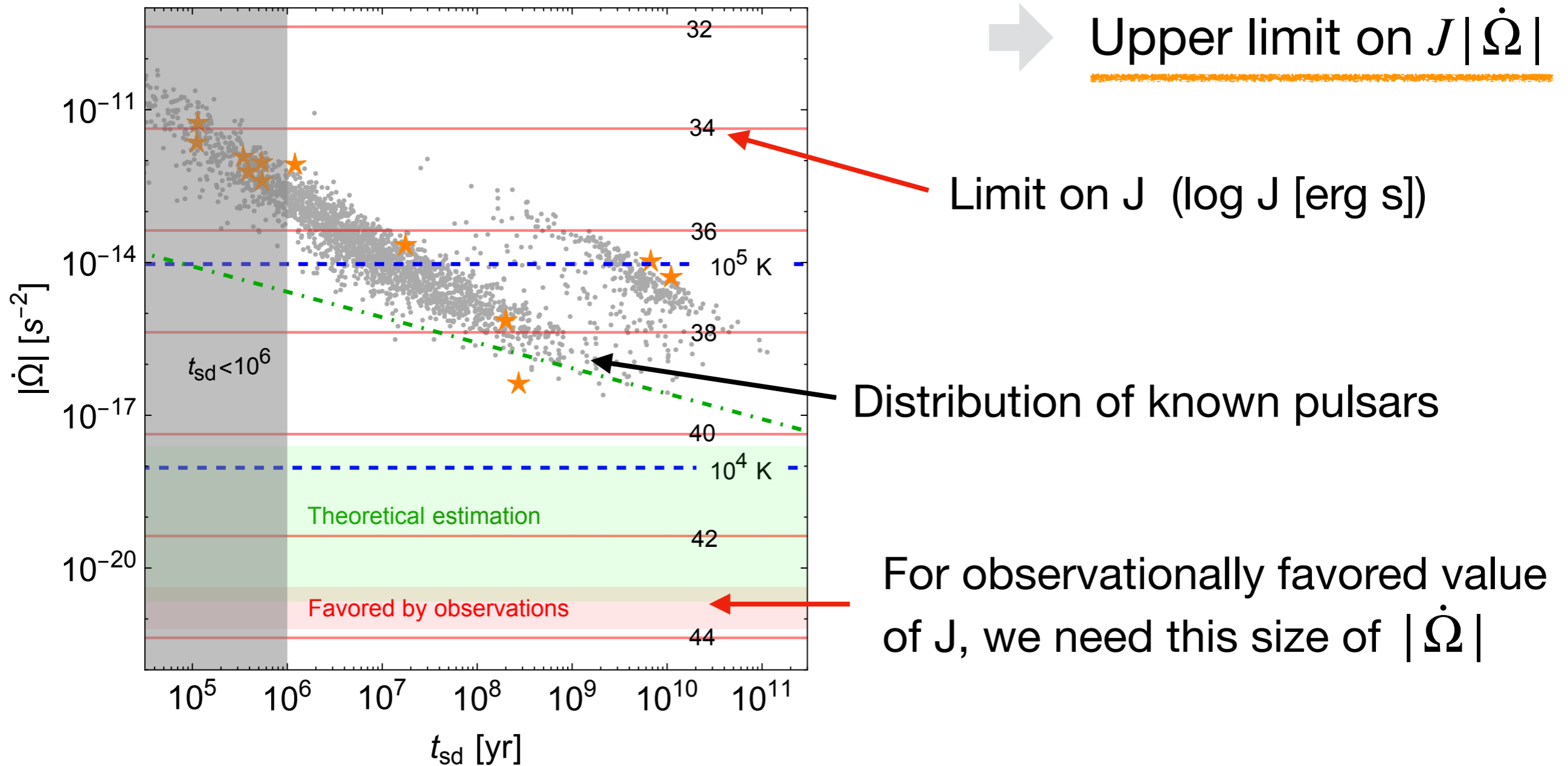
$$\dot{P}P = 3.3 \times 10^{-22} \text{ s}, P_0 = 1 \text{ ms}, M = 1.4M_\odot$$



- Temperature evolution deviates at $t \gtrsim 10^5$ years.
- Even for very old NSs, $T_s \gtrsim 10^4$ K.

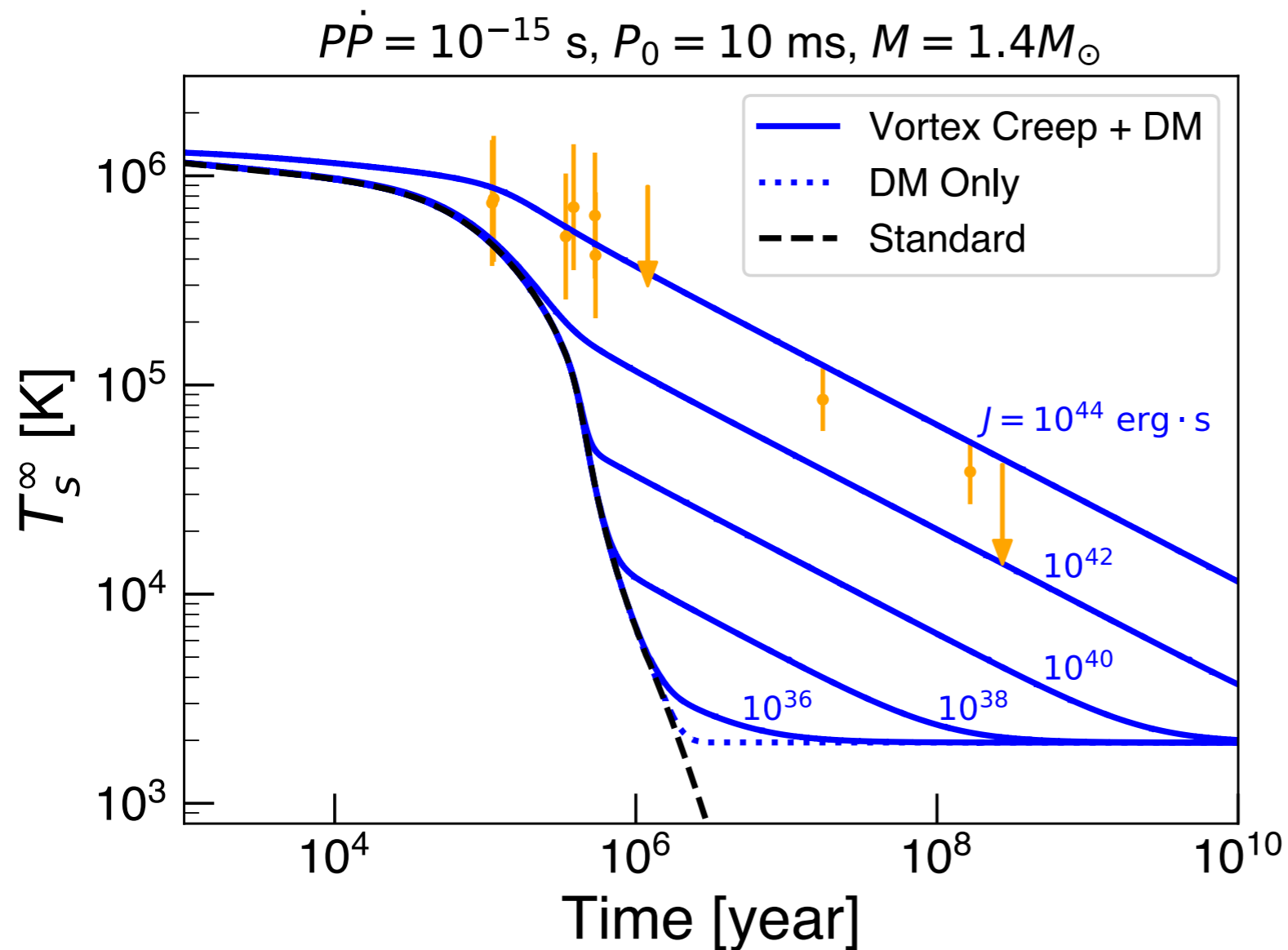
Vortex creep heating vs DM heating

To see the DM heating effect, we want $L_{\text{vortex}} < L_{\text{DM}}$.



J must be much smaller than the values favored by **obs.** and **theor.**

Vortex creep heating vs DM heating



The DM heating is buried under the vortex creep heating unless

$$J \lesssim 10^{38} \text{ erg} \cdot \text{s}$$

Much smaller than the values favored by obs. and theor.

Conclusion

- We studied potential heating mechanisms in NSs.
- Non-equilibrium β processes.
 - ▶ For **ordinary pulsars**, DM heating effect can be observed if their initial period is relatively large.
 - ▶ For **millisecond pulsars**, DM heating effect is always hidden by the rotochemical heating.
- Vortex creep heating

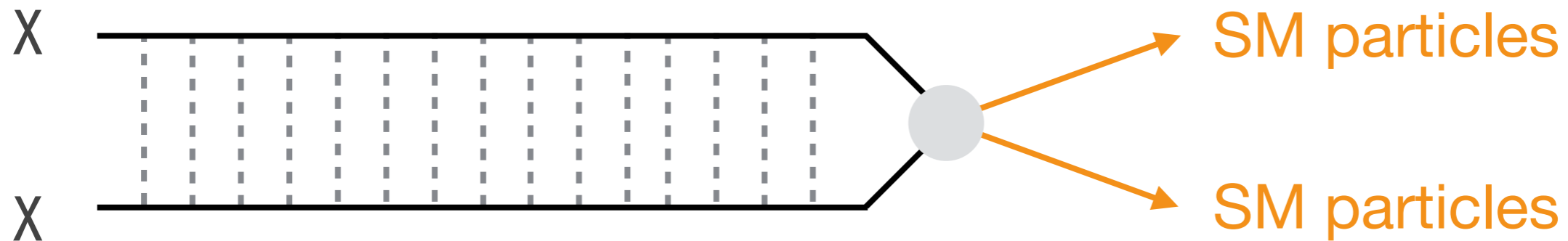
This heating effect seems to dominate the DM heating.

Backup

Sommerfeld effects

J. Hisano, S. Matsumoto, and M. M. Nojiri, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 031303 (2004).

Electroweak-interacting DM has **self-interactions** via EW interactions.



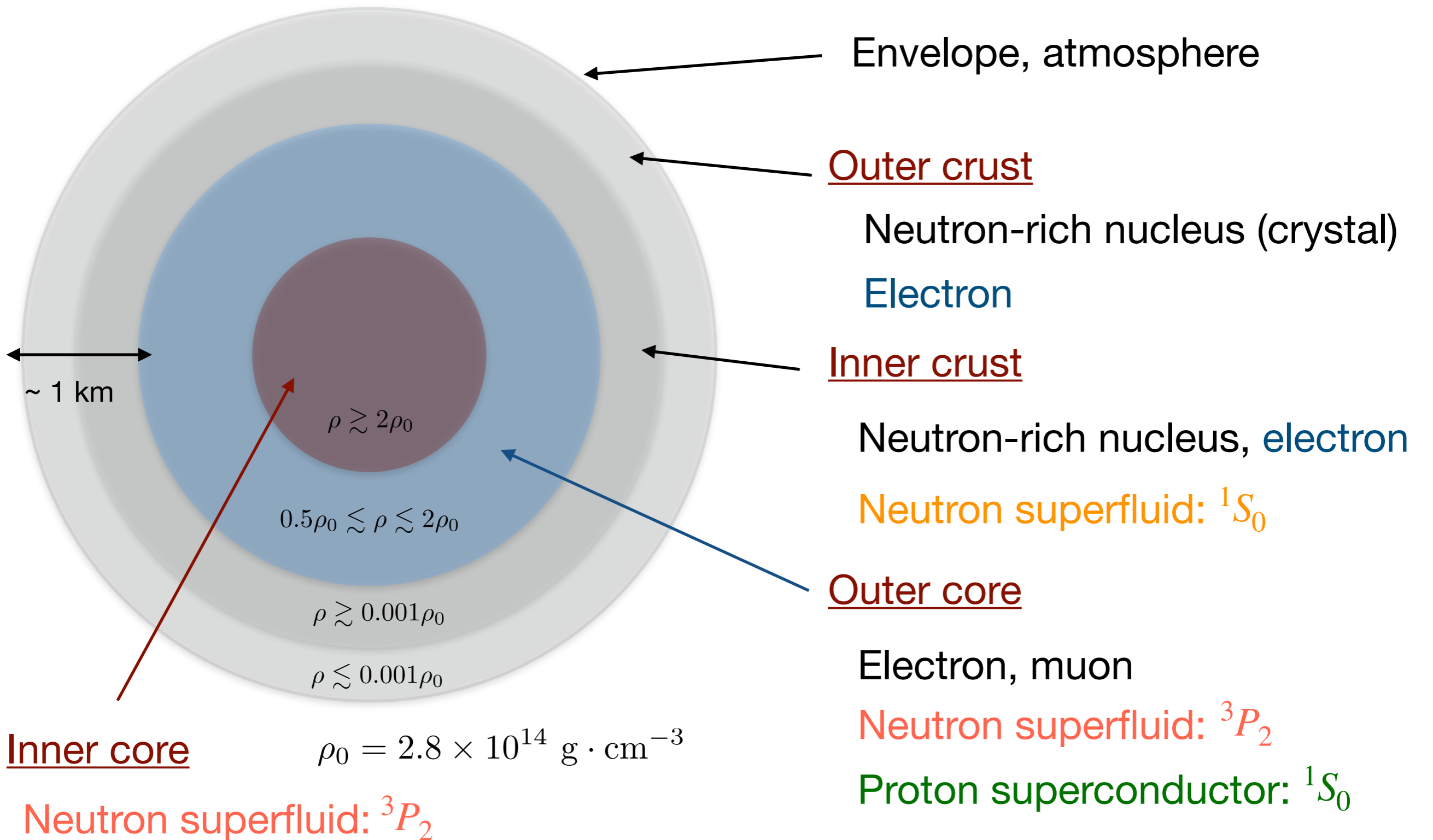
Incoming wave-functions deviate from plane waves due to **long-distance self-interactions**.

→ Sommerfeld effect

This effect becomes important when the interaction range becomes longer than the Bohr radius of the two-body system.

$$\frac{1}{m_W} \gtrsim \frac{1}{\alpha_2 m_{\text{DM}}}$$

Neutron star structure



~~Hyperons, π /K condensation, quarks (?)~~

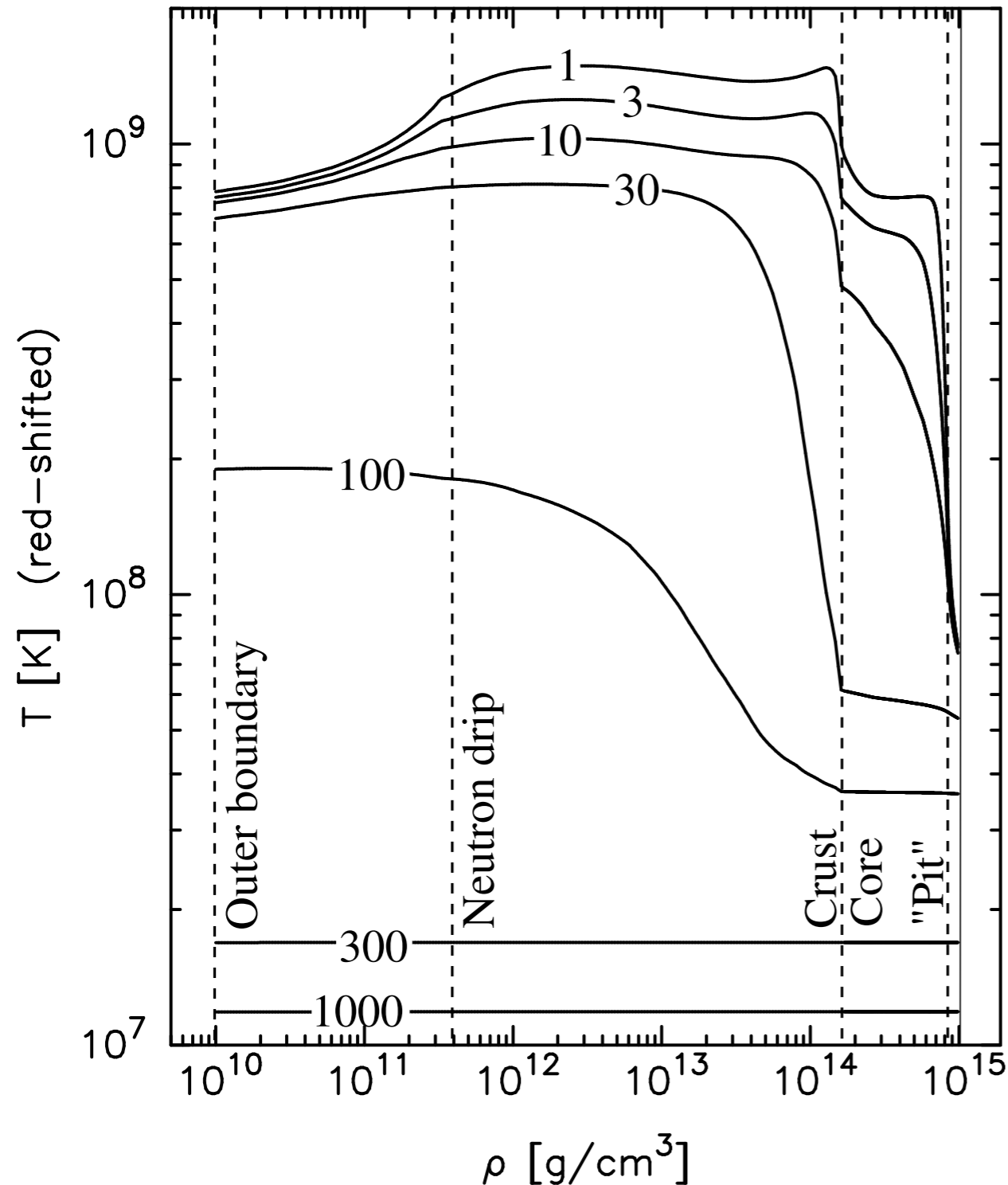
We do not consider them in this talk.

Early stage of neutron star

- Right after SN explosion, a NS is in a very high-temperature state with $T \sim 10^{11}$ K.
- After ~ 20 s, the temperature gets low enough for neutrinos to escape from the neutron star.
- **Thermal relaxation** completed after 10—100 years, and the **temperature becomes constant** inside the neutron star.
 - ▶ We focus on this case in what follows.
 - ▶ To follow the temperature evolution within 100 years, we must solve the **heat conduction equations**.
 - ▶ The following results rarely depend on the initial conditions.

Temperature decreases very rapidly in the first moments.

Temperature distribution



Relaxation in the Core
done in ~ 100 years.

β equilibrium

Inside neutron stars, β equilibrium is achieved via the direct/modified Urca reactions

Chemical equilibrium

$$\mu_e + \mu_p = \mu_n$$

Chemical potential of neutrino is zero since it can escape from neutron star.

Charge neutrality

$$n_p = n_e$$

Muons also appear in the region where $\mu_e > m_\mu$.

Chemical equilibrium

$$\mu_e = \mu_\mu \quad (\mu_\mu + \mu_p = \mu_n)$$

Charge neutrality

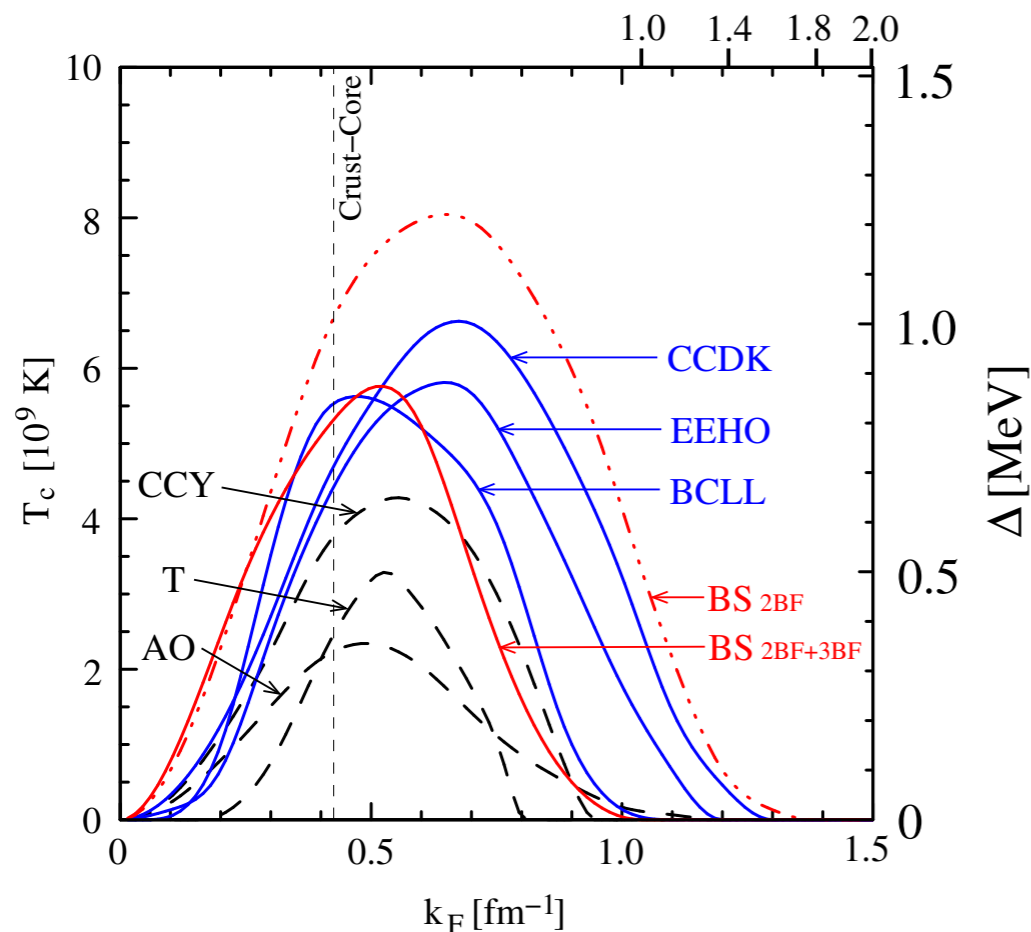
$$n_p = n_e + n_\mu$$

Nucleon pairing

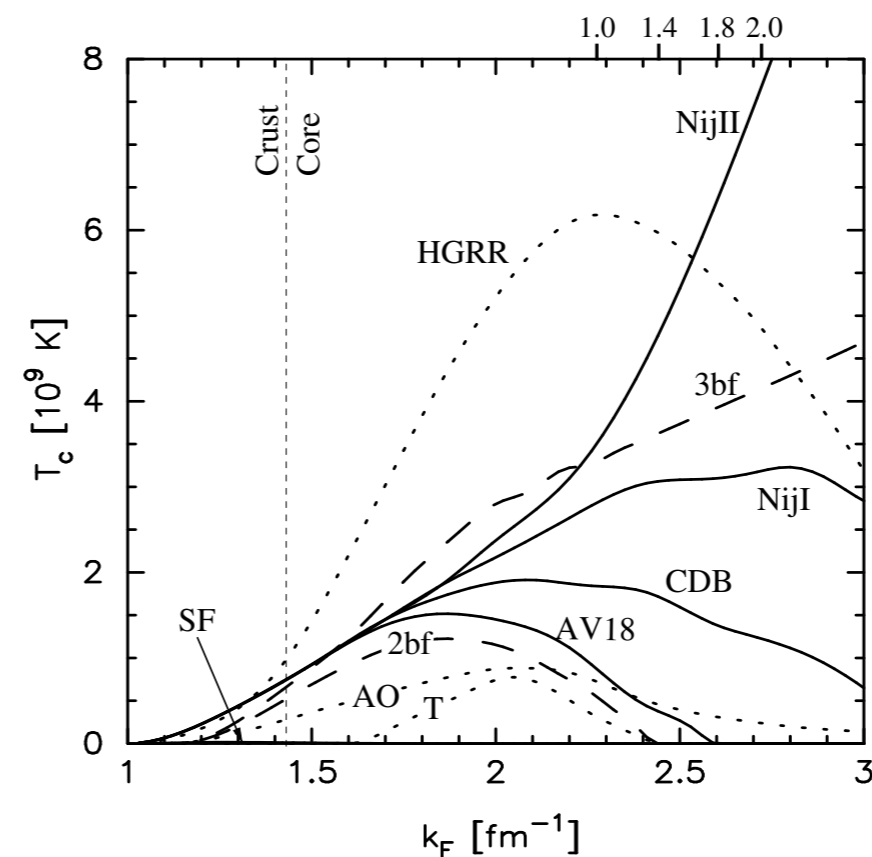
Nucleons in a NS form pairings below their critical temperatures:

- ▶ Neutron singlet 1S_0 ← Only in the crust. Less important.
- ▶ Proton singlet 1S_0 } ← Form in the core. Important.
- ▶ Neutron triplet 3P_2 }

Proton singlet pairing gap



Neutron triplet pairing gap



PBF process

Thermal disturbance induces the **breaking** of nucleon pairs.

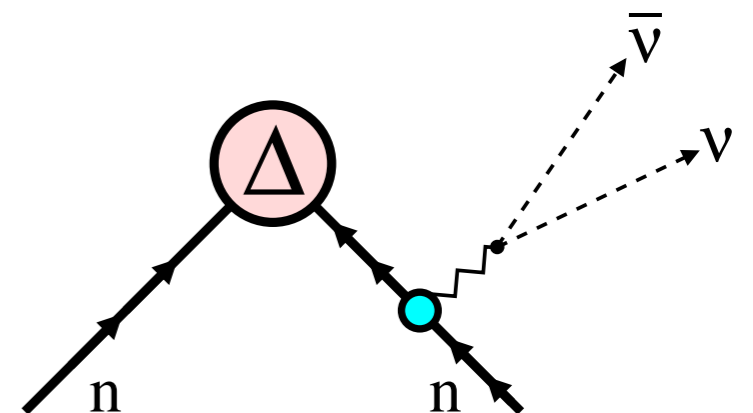


During the **reformation** of cooper pairs, the **gap energy** is released via **neutrino emission**.

This process significantly **enhances** the neutrino emission only when

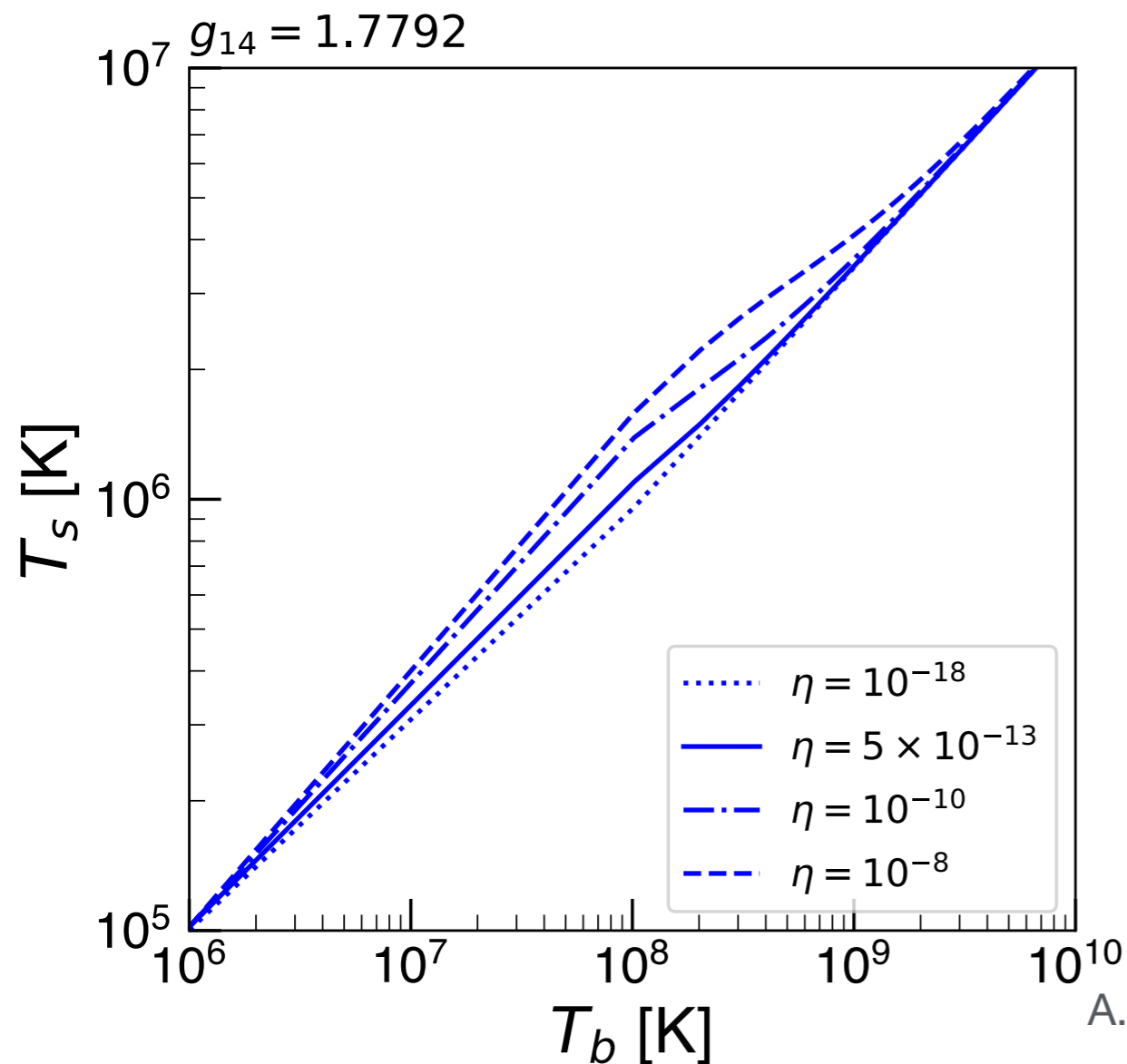
$$T \lesssim T_C$$

- If $T > T_C$, this process does not occur.
- If $T \ll T_C$, pair breaking rarely occurs.



Surface temperature

It is the **surface temperature** that we observe, so we need to relate it to the **internal temperature**.



This relation depends on the amount of **light elements** in the envelope.

$$\eta \equiv g_{14}^2 \Delta M / M$$

g_{14} : surface gravity in units of $10^{14} \text{ cm s}^{-2}$.
 ΔM : mass of light elements.

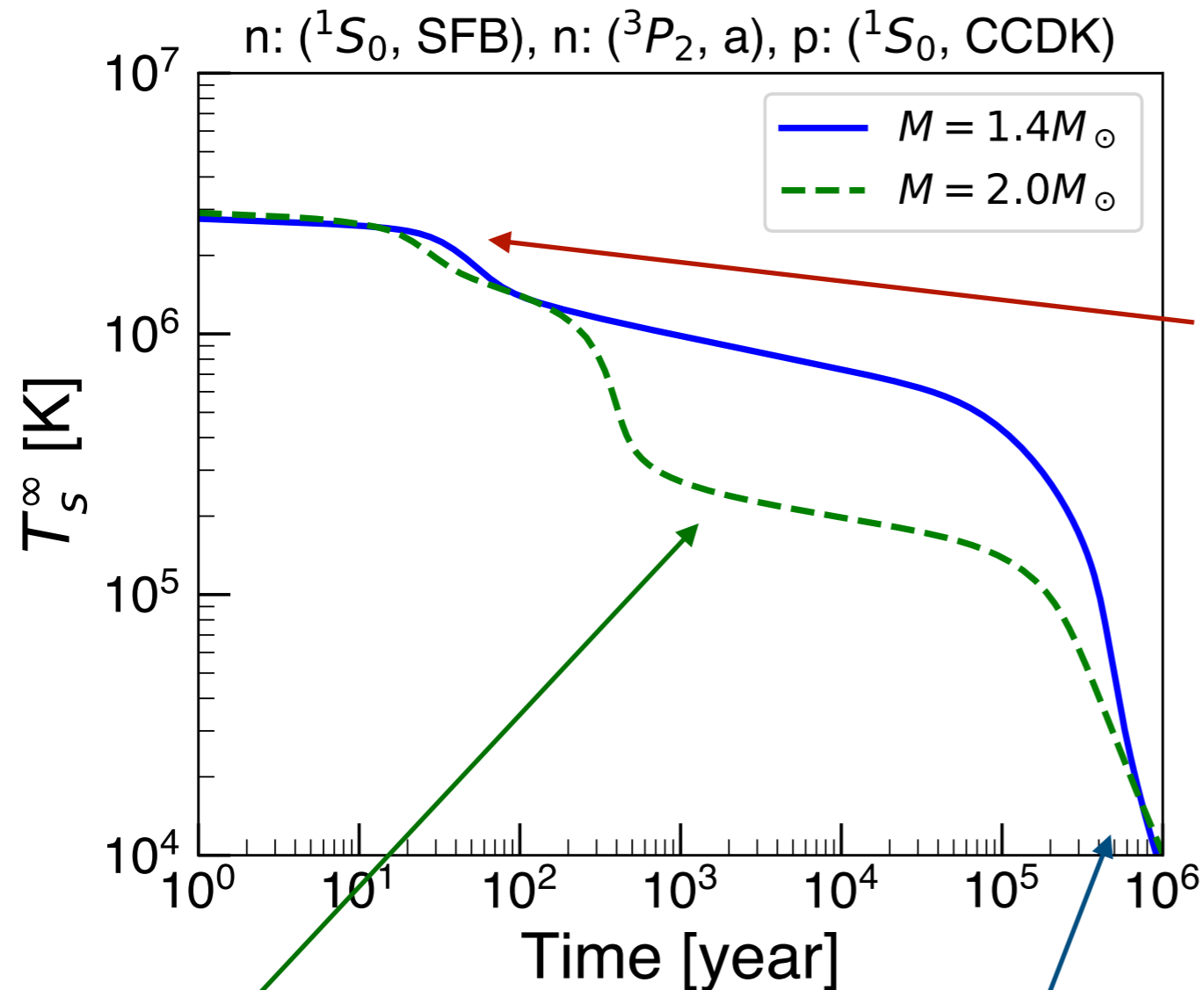
A. Y. Potekhin, G. Chabrier, and D. G. Yakovlev, A&A **323**, 415 (1997).

As the amount of light elements gets increased, the surface temperature becomes larger.

Light elements have large thermal conductivities.

Temperature evolution

We can now solve the equation for temperature evolution:



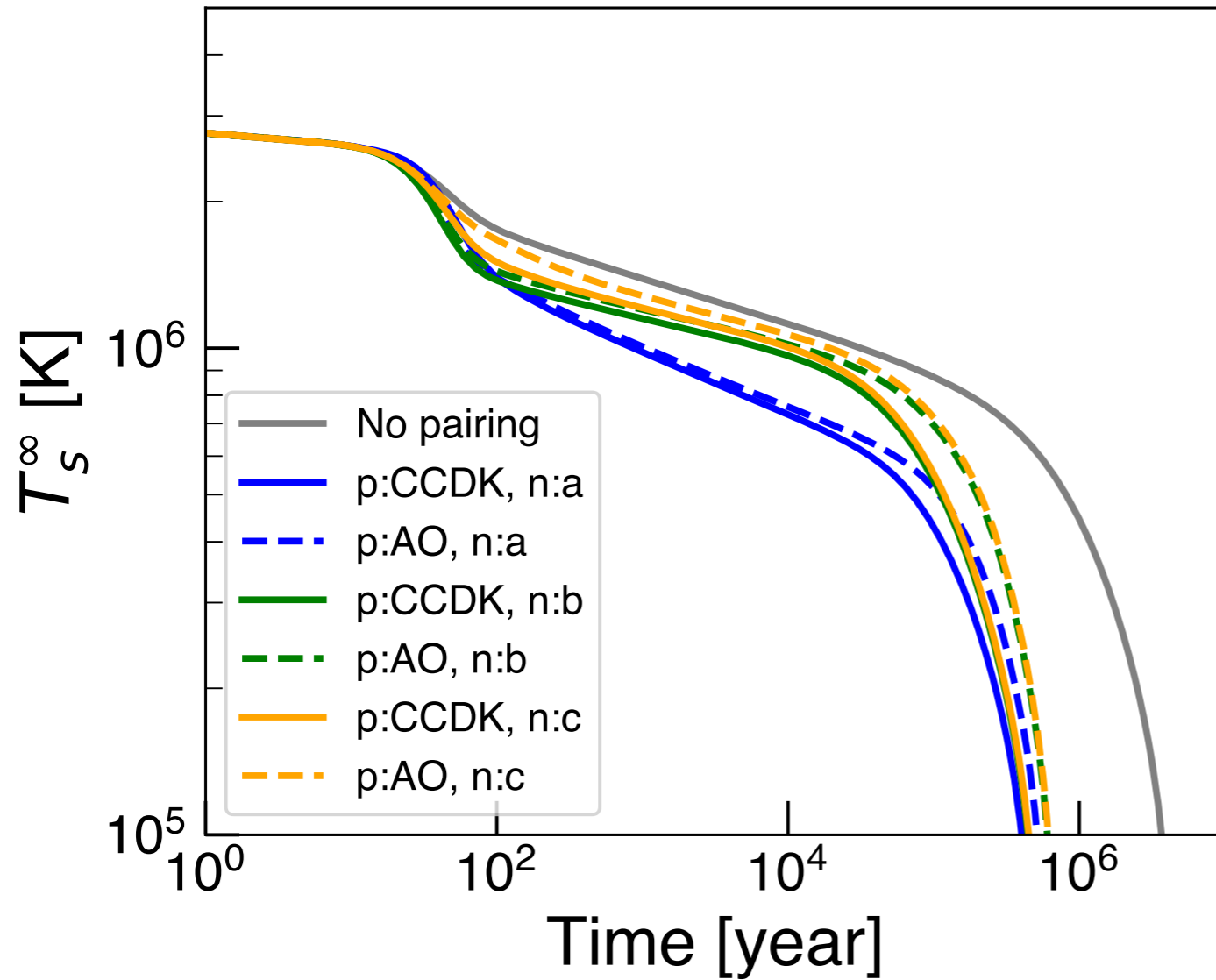
Before the thermal relaxation completed, the surface temperature does not follow the internal temperature.

If **Direct Urca occurs**, the neutron star cools down rapidly.

Temperature of NSs (older than **10^6 years**) is very low.

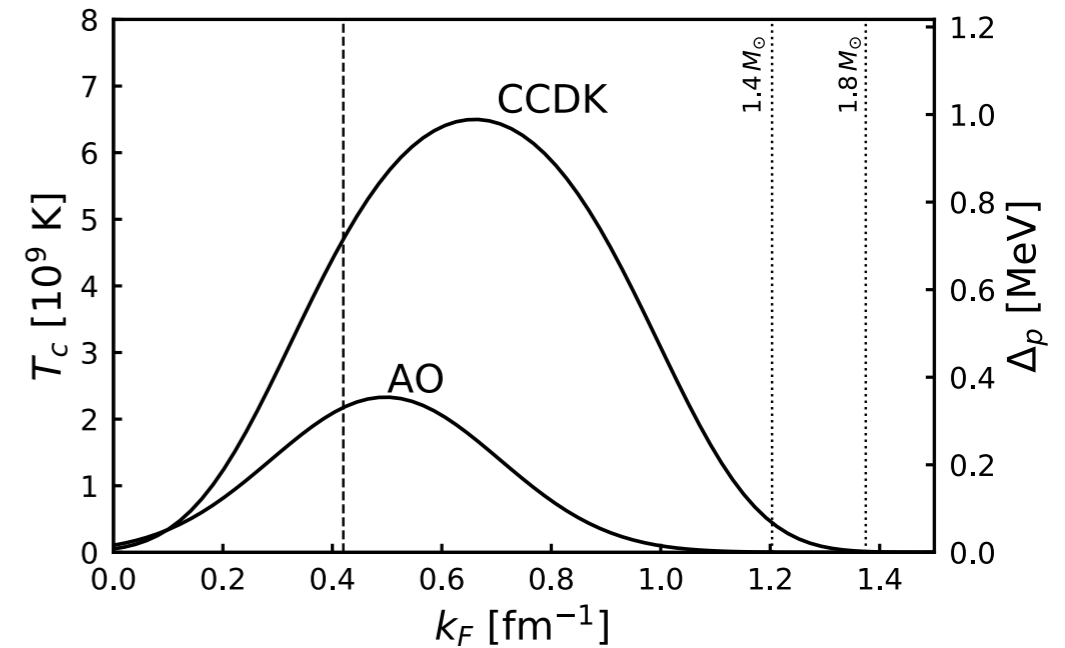
Temperature evolution (gap dependence)

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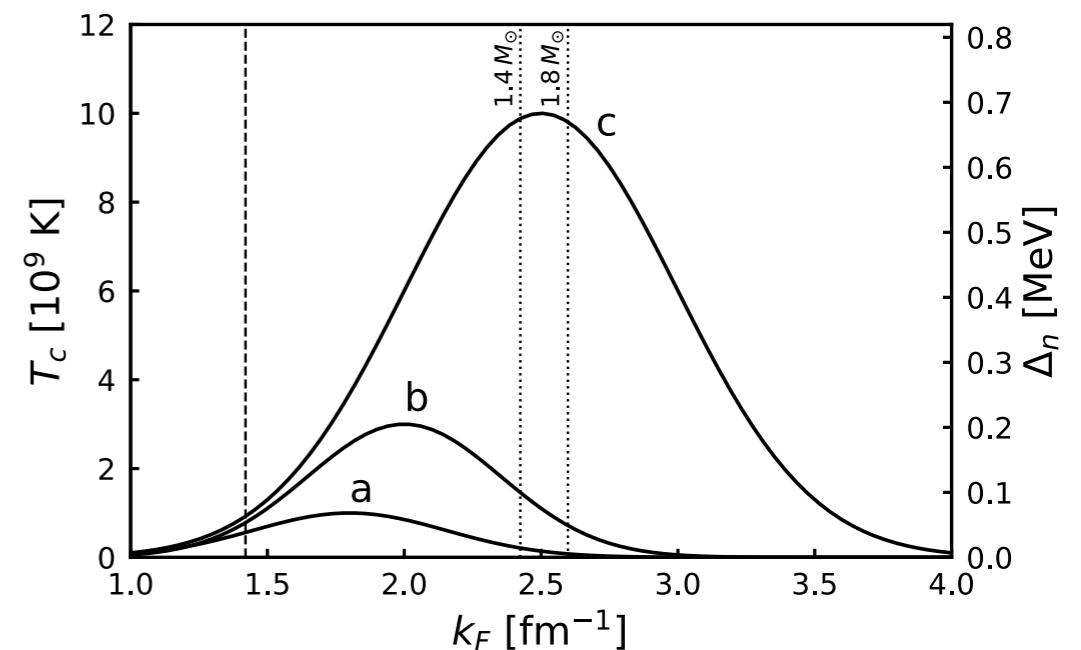


Uncertainty in nucleon gap models lead to the theoretical errors in the cooling calculation.

Proton singlet gap

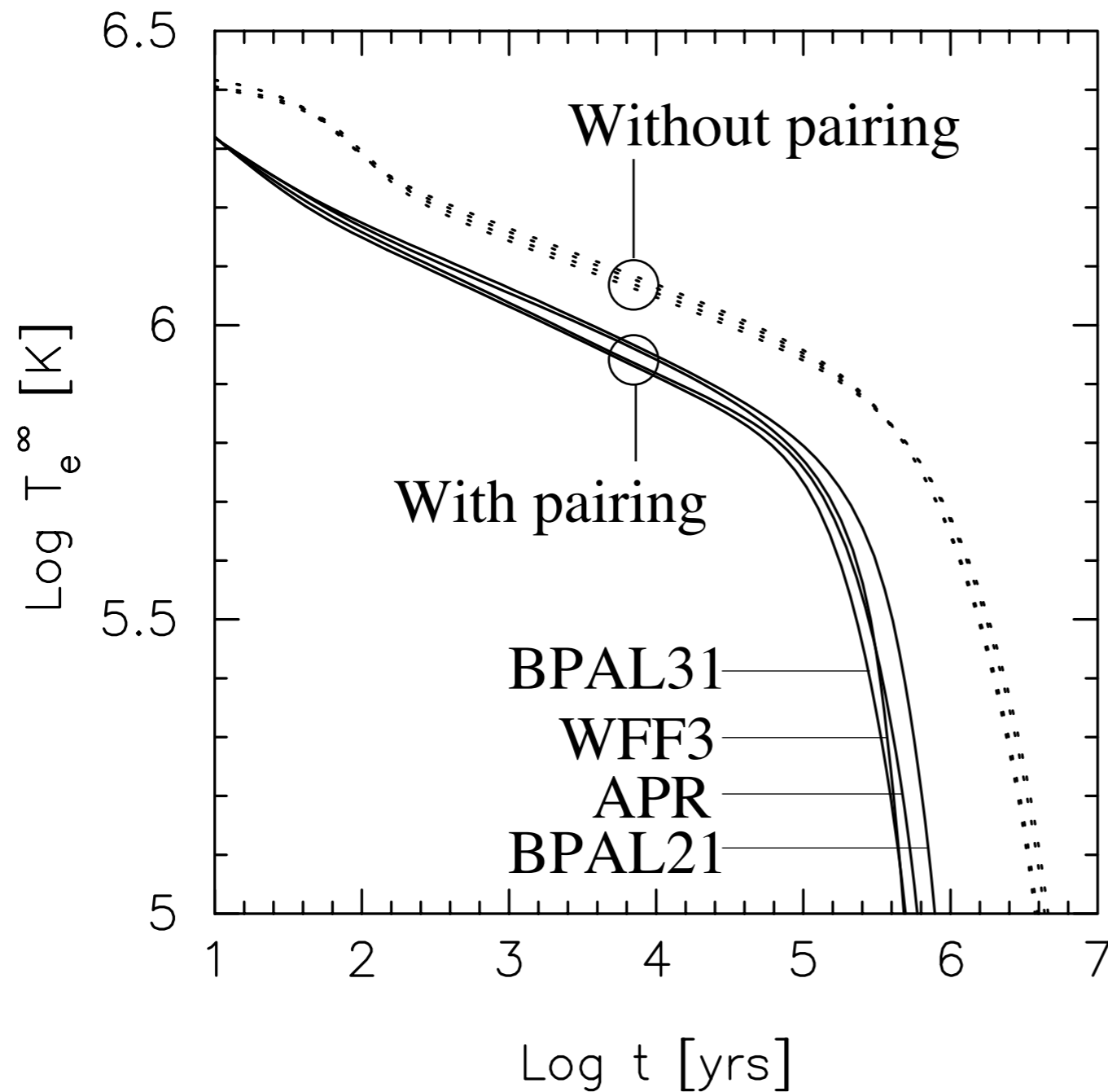


Neutron triplet gap



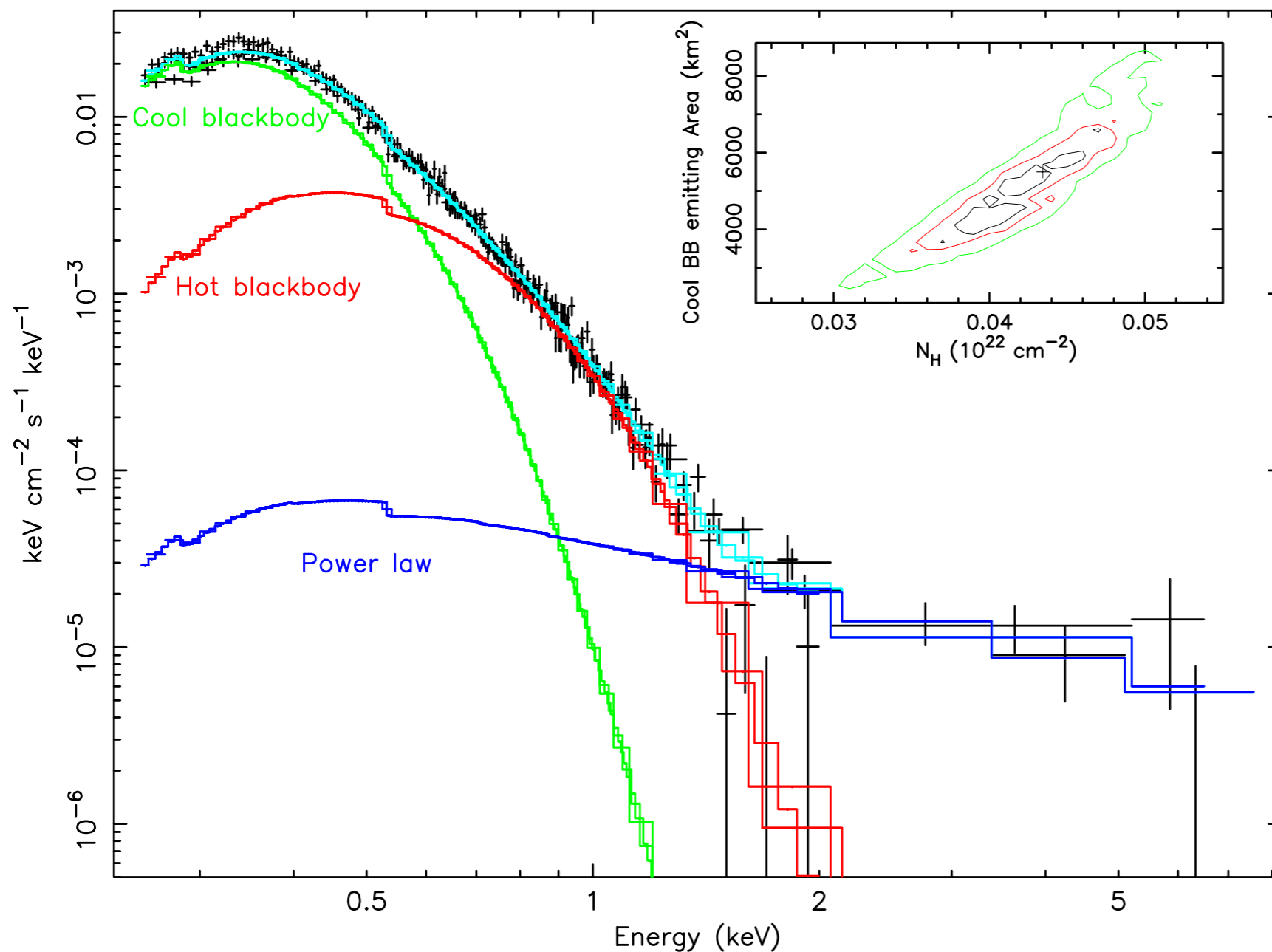
EOS dependence

EOS dependence of the temperature evolution



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$$T_{\text{cool}} = (6.5 \pm 0.1) \times 10^5 \text{ K}$$

$$R_{\text{cool}} = 20.9_{-3.8}^{+2.7} \text{ km}$$

$$T_{\text{hot}} = (1.25 \pm 0.03) \times 10^6 \text{ K}$$

$$R_{\text{hot}} = 1.8 \pm 0.15 \text{ km}$$

2 Black body components + power law fit

FAST

Many pulsars are expected to be discovered by

Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical radio Telescope (FAST)

(五百米口径球面射电望远镜)

in China in the near future.



- About 5000 (4000 new) pulsars are expected to be discovered.

arXiv: 1105.3794

- A lot of pulsars have already been discovered.

See J. L. Han *et al.*, arXiv:2105.08460

eROSITA



- ▶ X-ray instrument on the SRG space observatory.
- ▶ Launched on July 13, 2019.
- ▶ Started an all-sky survey on Dec. 13, 2019.
- ▶ Eight full-sky surveys are planned.

P. Predehl, et.al., A&A **647**, A1 (2021).

85—95 thermally emitting isolated NSs are expected to be detected.

A. M. Pires, A. D. Schwope, C. Motch, Astron. Nachr., **338**, 213 (2017).

Vera C. Rubin Observatory, LSST

- ▶ Deep **optical** survey
- ▶ Under construction in Chile
- ▶ Full survey operations are aimed to begin in Oct. 2024

By using this, we can search for **thermally emitting NSs**.

D. Toyouchi, K. Hotokezaka, M. Takada, MNRAS **510**, 611 (2021).

- Nearby (~ 100 pc) NSs with with a **large kick velocity** ($\mathcal{O}(100)$ km/s) can be detected. **Caused by anisotropic SN explosion**
- O(1) NSs are expected to be detected for a 10-yr monitoring.

Pulsar searches with SKA

The **Square Kilometer Array** is expected to discover

- ~ 9000 ordinary pulsars
- ~ 1200 MSPs

L. Levin, et.al., arXiv:1712.01008

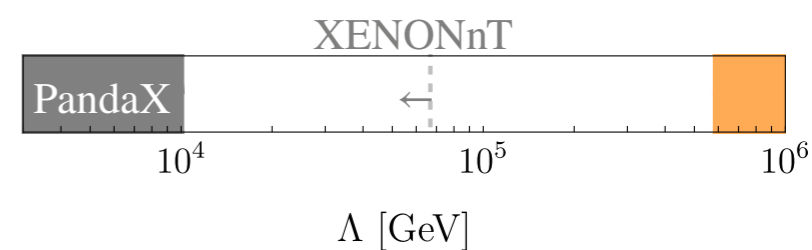
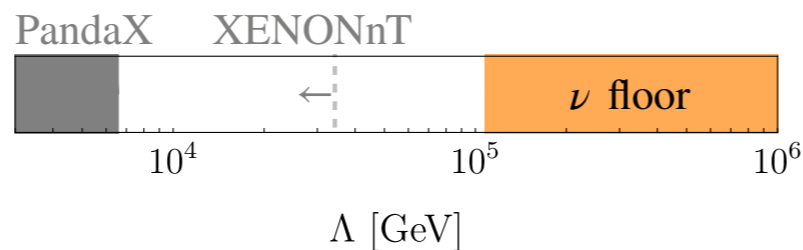
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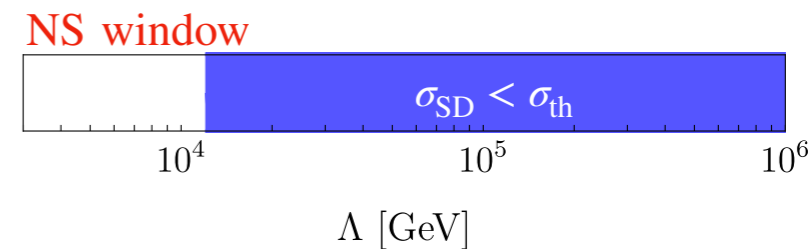
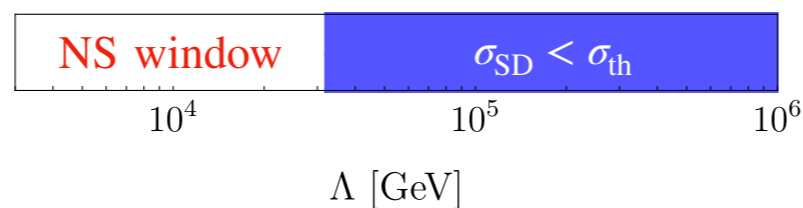
(c) $n = 2, Y = 1/2, m_{\text{DM}} = 1 \text{ TeV}$
 $(c_5 = c'_5 = 1, c_s = 1, c'_s = 0)$

(d) $n = 3, Y = 1, m_{\text{DM}} = 1.9 \text{ TeV}$
 $(c_5 = c'_5 = -1, c_s = c'_s = c_6 = c'_6 = 1)$

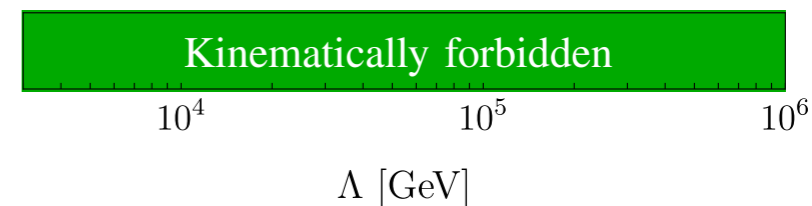
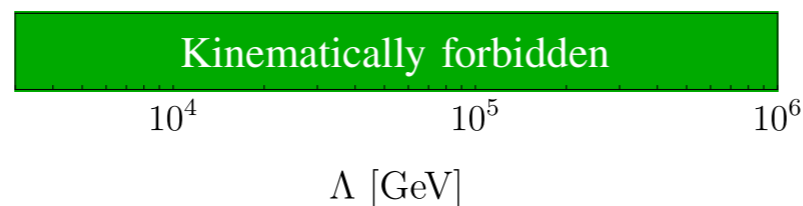
Direct detection, Elastic (SI)



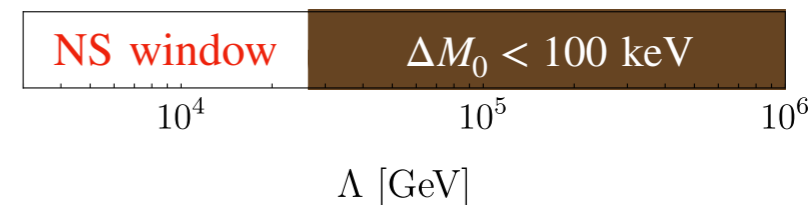
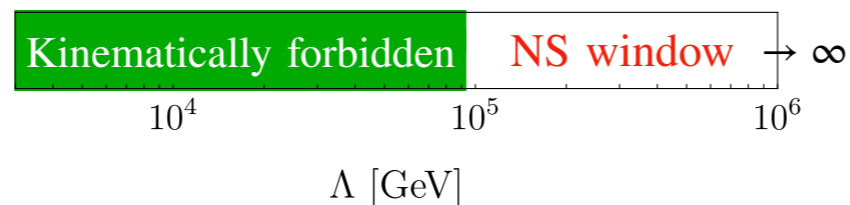
NS capture, Elastic (SD)



NS capture, Inelastic (CC)



NS capture, Inelastic (NC)



DM capture in NSs and direct detection experiments play complementary roles.

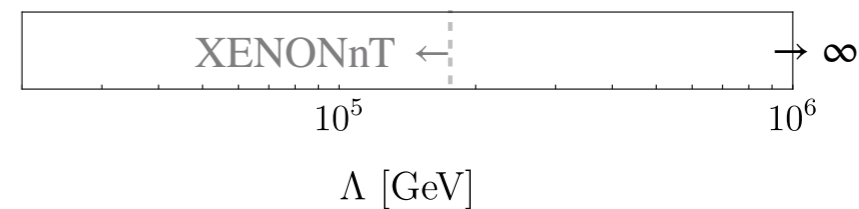
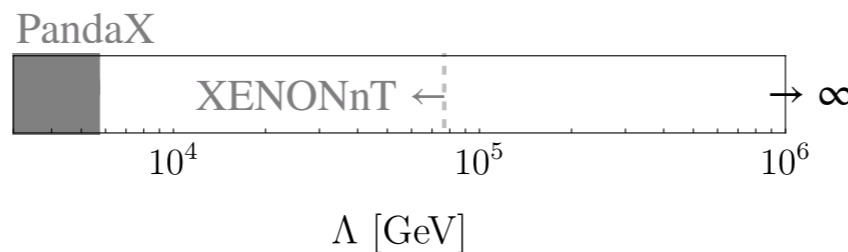
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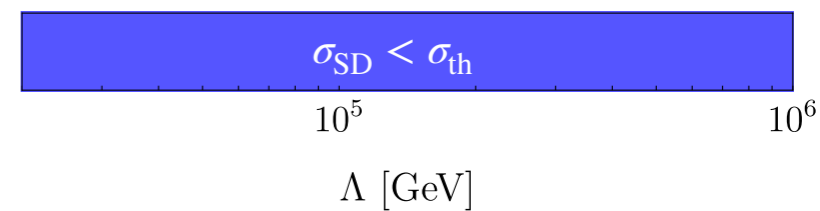
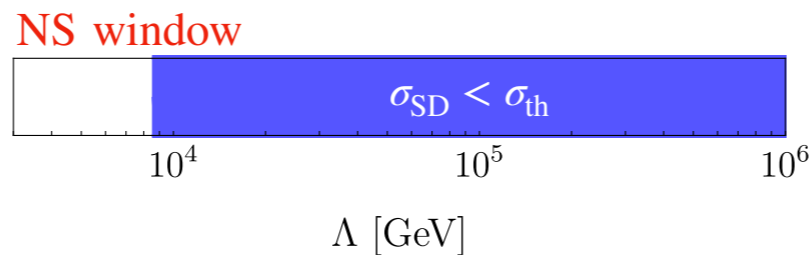
(a) $n = 3, Y = 0, m_{\text{DM}} = 3 \text{ TeV}$
($c_5 = c_6 = 1$)

(b) $n = 5, Y = 0, m_{\text{DM}} = 14 \text{ TeV}$
($c_5 = c_6 = 1$)

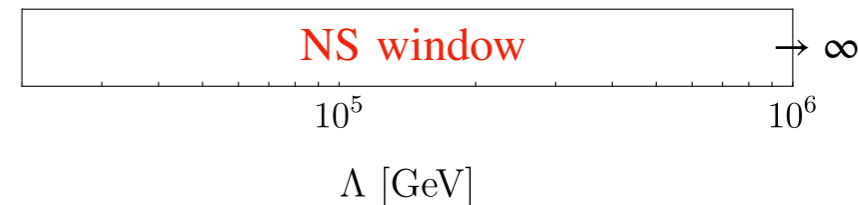
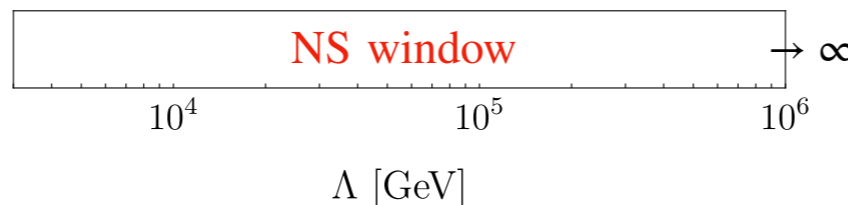
Direct detection, Elastic (SI)



NS capture, Elastic (SD)



NS capture, Inelastic (CC)

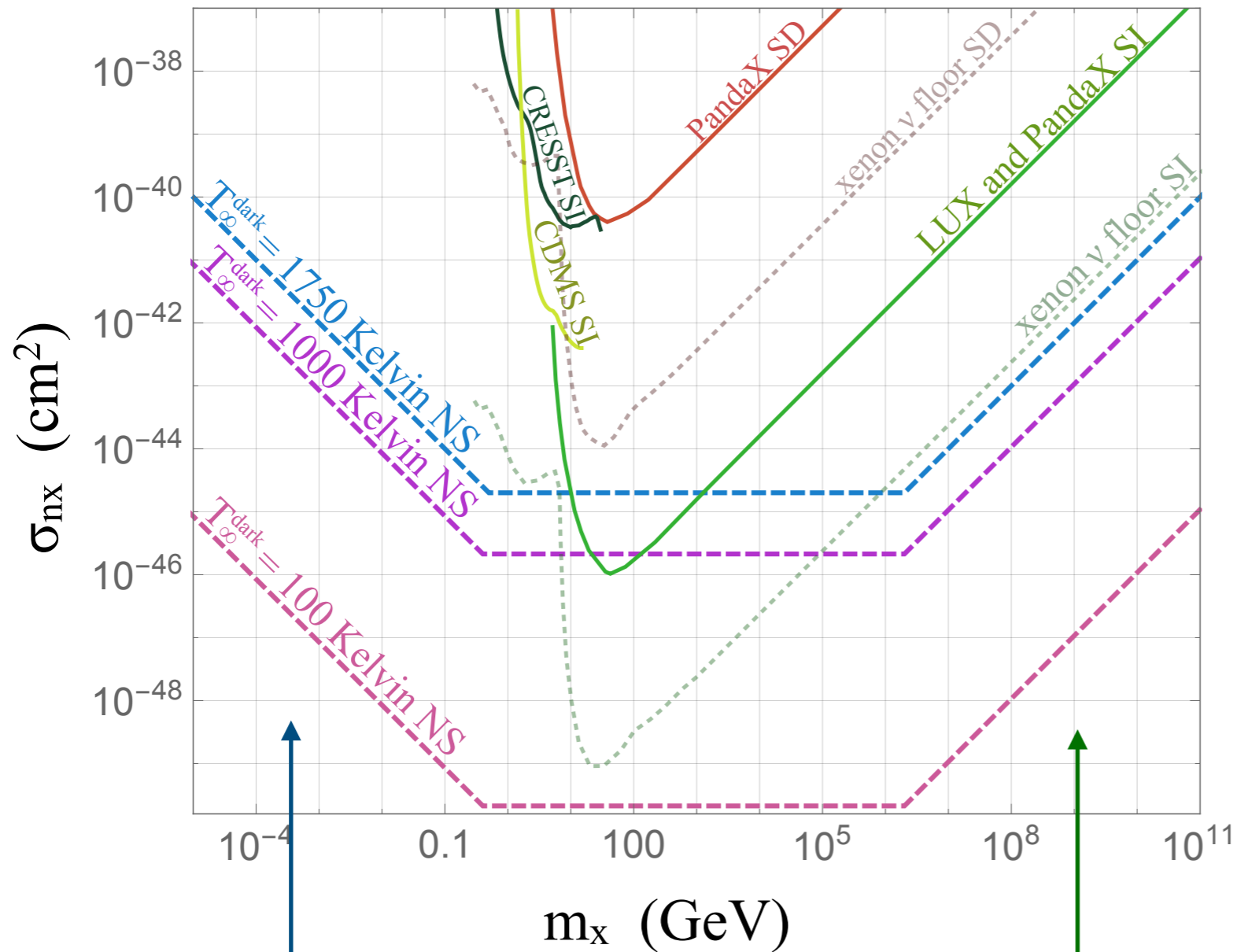


DM is always captured by NSs since the neutral-charged mass difference is very small.

$$\mathcal{L}_7 = -\frac{c_7}{2\Lambda^3} \sum_{m,n} (-1)^m \chi_{-m} (T_a T_b)_{mn} \chi_n (H^\dagger \tau_a H) (H^\dagger \tau_b H) + \text{h.c.}$$

Dim.7

Dark kinetic heating



Effect of Pauli blocking

Multiple scattering required

Spin-down age

For magnetic dipole radiation,

$$\dot{\Omega} = -k\Omega^3 \quad k = \frac{2B_s^2 \sin^2 \alpha R^6}{3c^3 I} = -\frac{\dot{\Omega}_{\text{now}}}{\Omega_{\text{now}}^3} = \frac{P_{\text{now}} \dot{P}_{\text{now}}}{4\pi^2}$$

By solving this, we have

$$P(t) = \sqrt{P_0^2 + 2P_{\text{now}} \dot{P}_{\text{now}} t}$$

(P_0 : initial period)

In particular, for $P_0 \ll P_{\text{now}}$, we can estimate the **neutron star age**

$$t_{\text{sd}} = \frac{P_{\text{now}}}{2\dot{P}_{\text{now}}}$$

t_{sd} is called **spin-down age** or **characteristic age**.

Pulsar age

Let us compare the spin-down age with the actual age in the case of the **Crab pulsar**.

Actual age

It was born in **1054**, so its age is **965 years** old.

Spin-down age

$$P = 0.033392 \text{ s}, \quad \dot{P} = 4.21 \times 10^{-13}$$



$$t_{\text{sd}} = \frac{P}{2\dot{P}} = 1.26 \times 10^3 \text{ yrs}$$

Agrees within **~ 30%**.



$P - \dot{P}$ diagram

It is useful to show pulsars in the $P - \dot{P}$ plane, since we can see the distribution of their **age** and **magnetic field**.

