Addressing theoretical uncertainties in direct detection experiments

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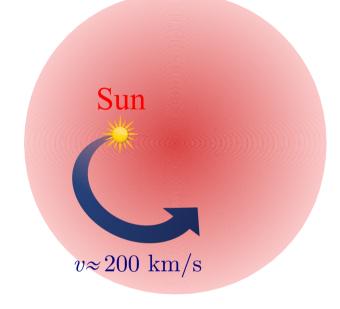
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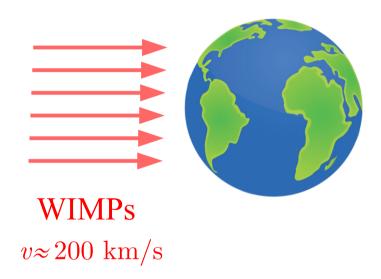
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Three different methods have been proposed to probe the DM distribution inside the Solar System

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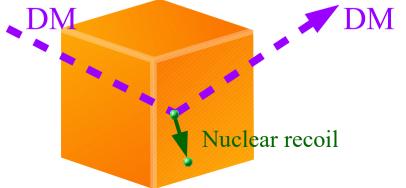


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Once in a while a dark matter particle will interact with a nucleus. The nucleus then recoils, producing vibrations, ionizations or scintillation light in the detector.



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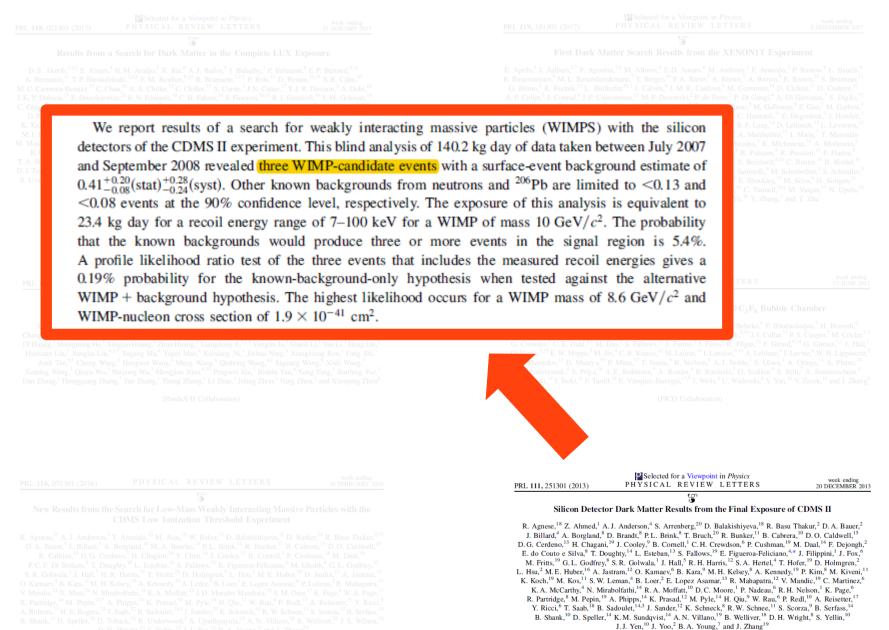
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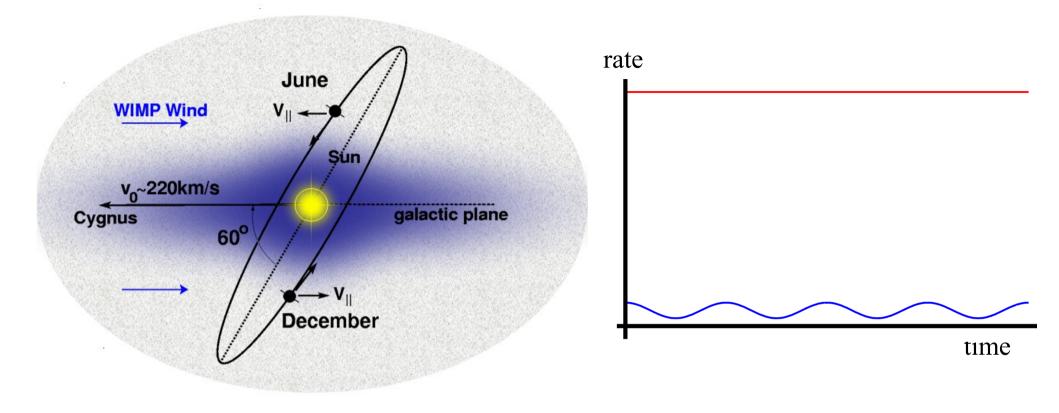


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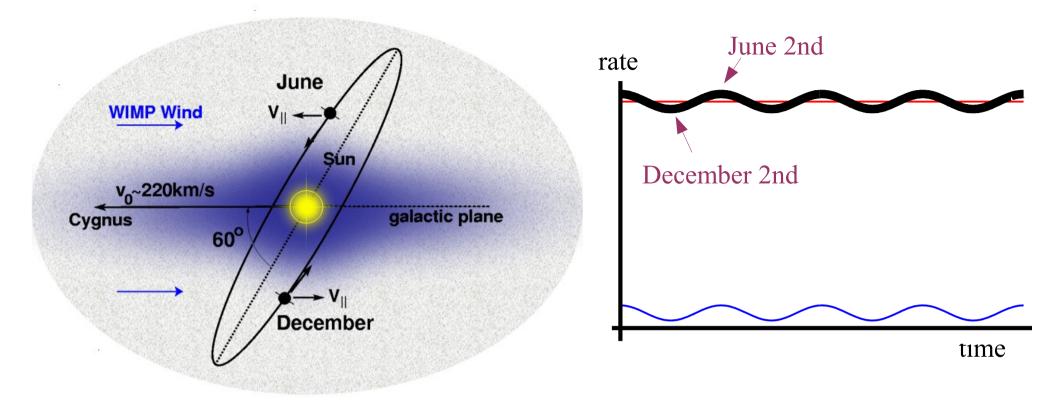


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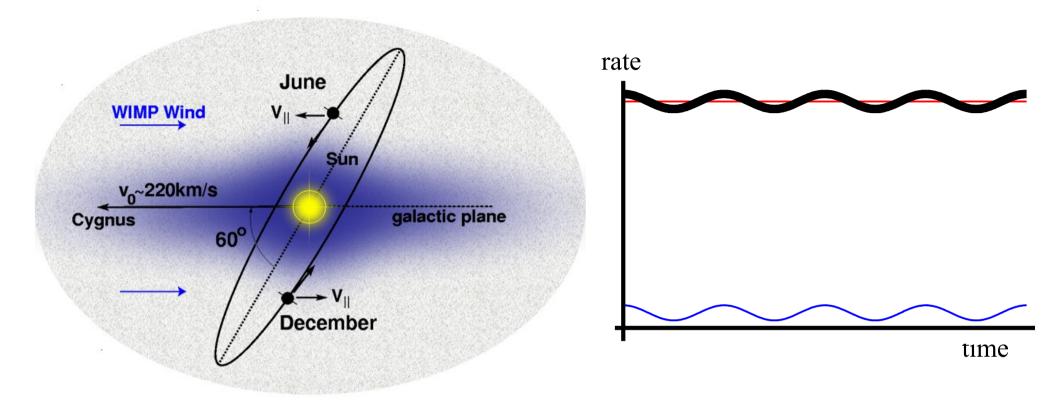
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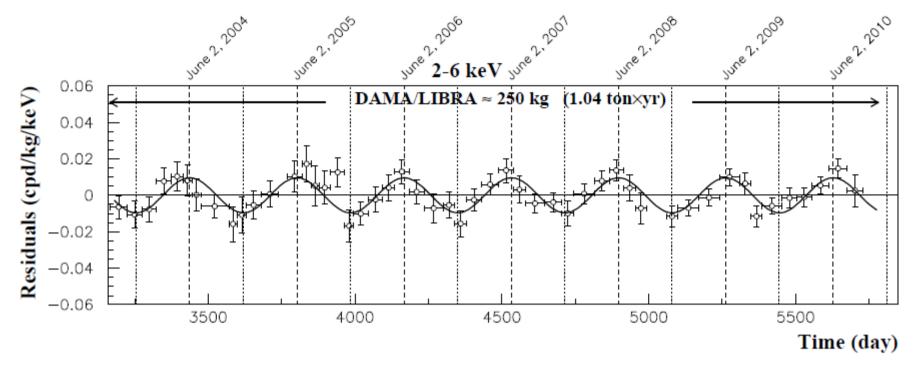
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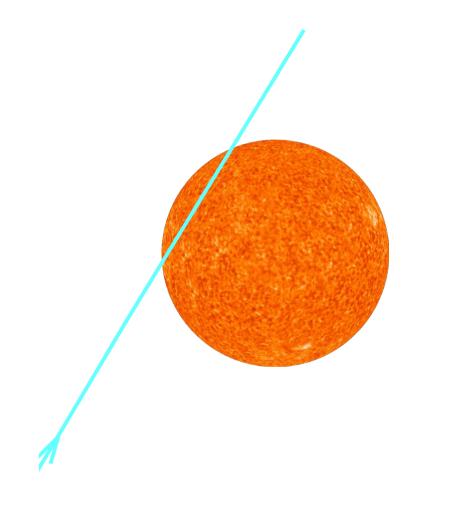
$$S_{[E_-,E_+]} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{E_+ - E_-} \left(R_{[E_-,E_+]} \Big|_{\text{June 1st}} - R_{[E_-,E_+]} \Big|_{\text{Dec 1st}} \right)$$

Annual modulation: the DAMA/LIBRA experiment

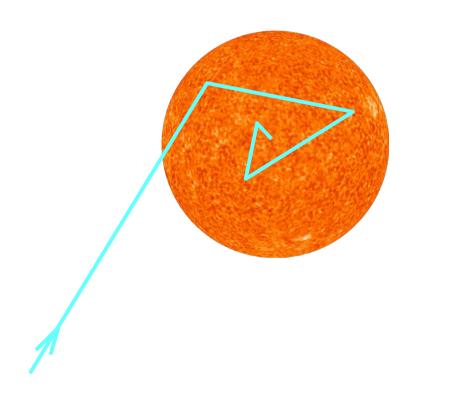


Modulation observed over 14 annual cycles, with a combined significance of 9.3σ .

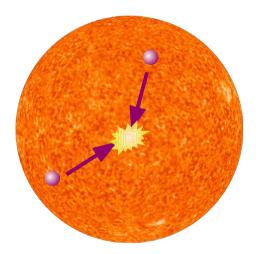
$$S_{[2.0,2.5]}^{(\text{DAMA})} = (1.75 \pm 0.37) \times 10^{-2} \text{ day}^{-1} \text{ kg}^{-1} \text{ keV}^{-1}$$
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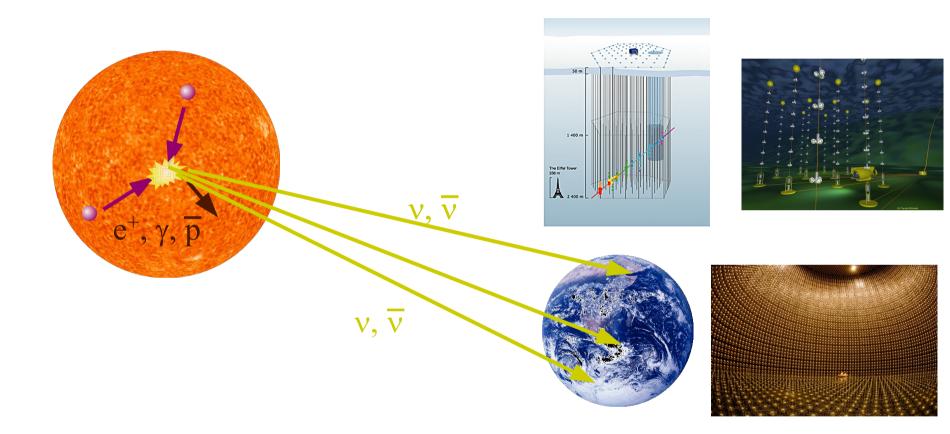




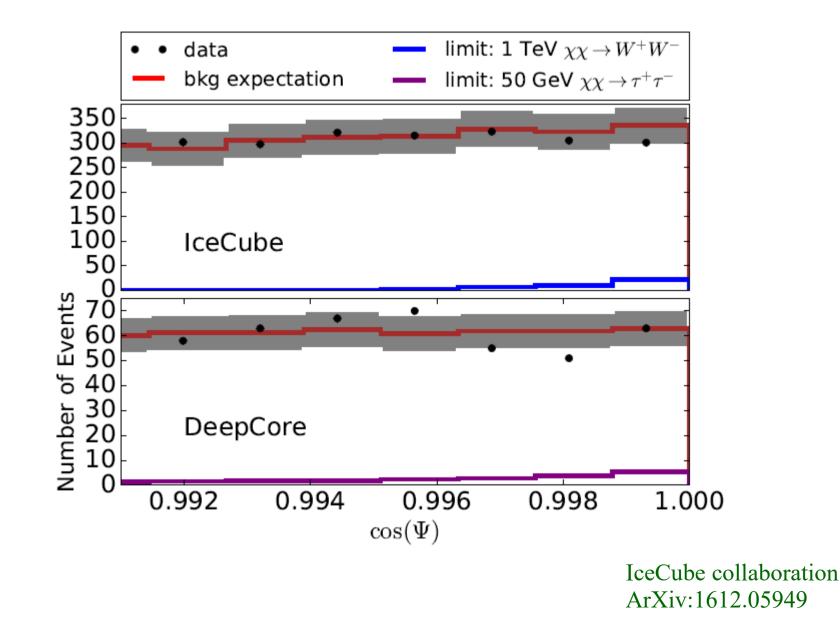








Observations consistent with the background-only hypothesis



Theoretical interpretation

of the experimental results

• Differential rate of DM-induced scatterings

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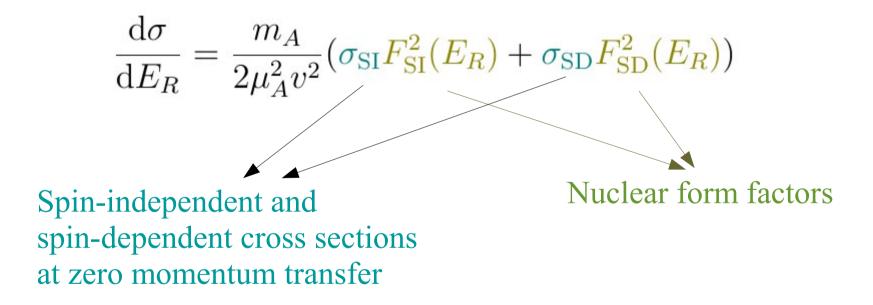
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Uncertainties from particle/nuclear physics.

• Dark matter mass?

For thermally produced dark matter, $m_{\rm DM} = {\rm few ~MeV} - 100 {\rm ~TeV}$

• Differential cross section?

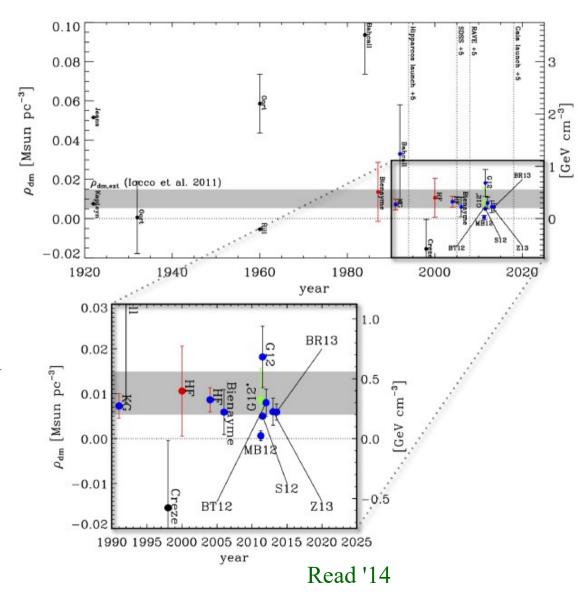


(In some DM frameworks, other operators may also arise)

Uncertainties from astrophysics

- Local dark matter density?
- "local measurements":
 From vertical kinematics of stars near (~1 kpc) the Sun
- "global measurements":

From extrapolations of $\rho(r)$ determined from rotation curves at large r, to the position of the Solar System.



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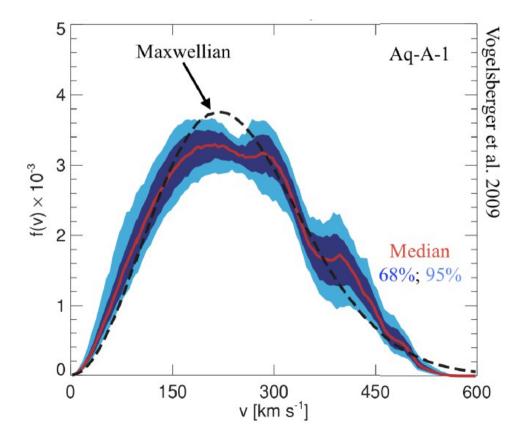
$$\rho(r) \sim \frac{1}{r^2} \longrightarrow f(v) \sim \exp(-v^2/v_0^2)$$

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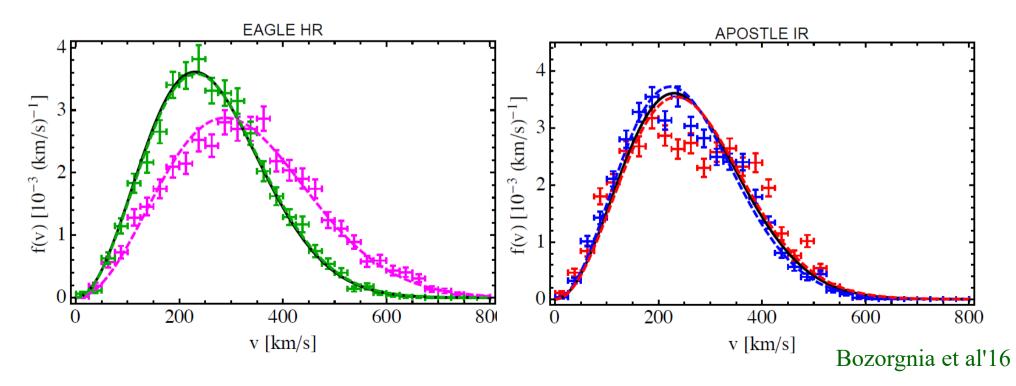


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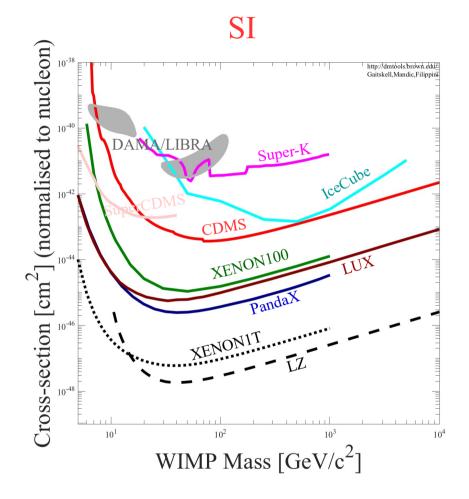
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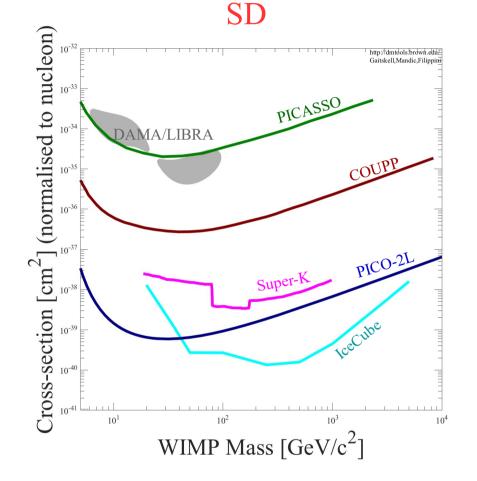
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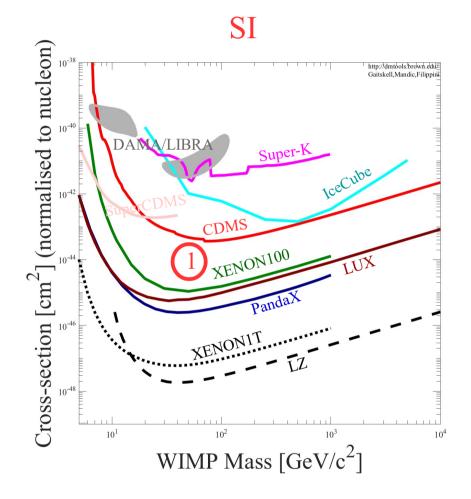


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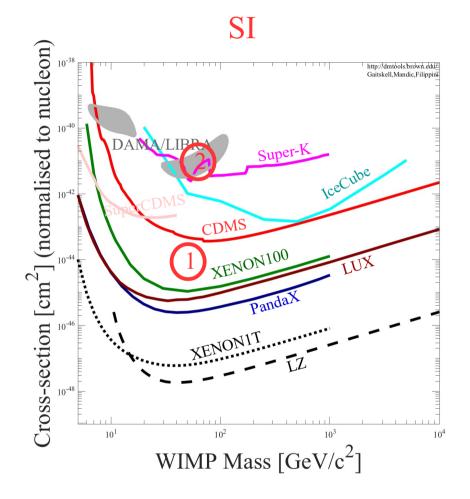


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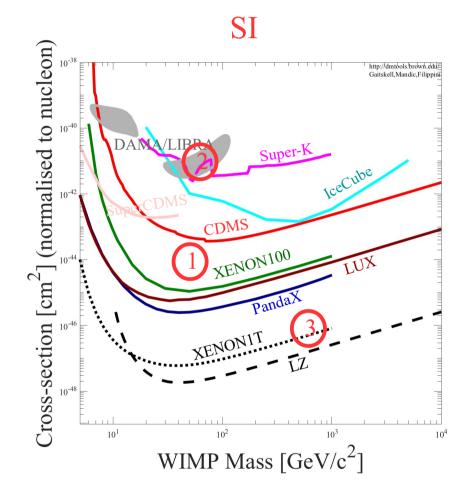
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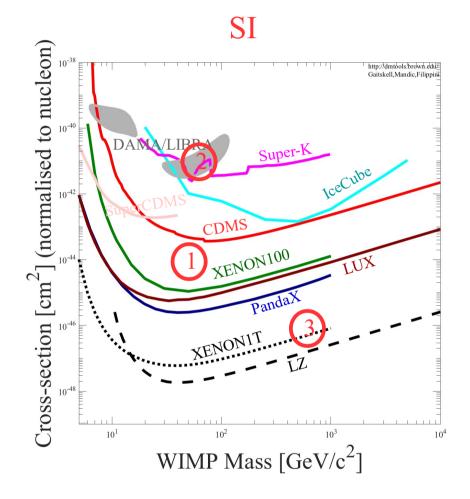
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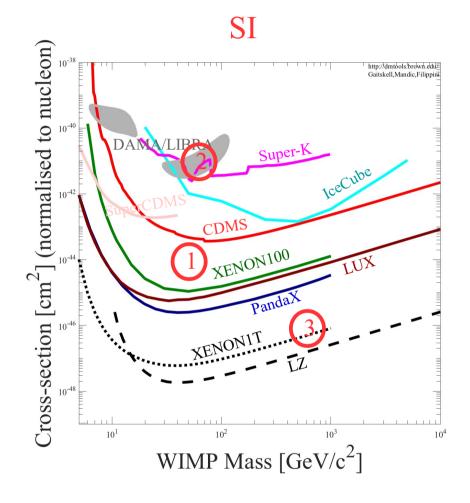


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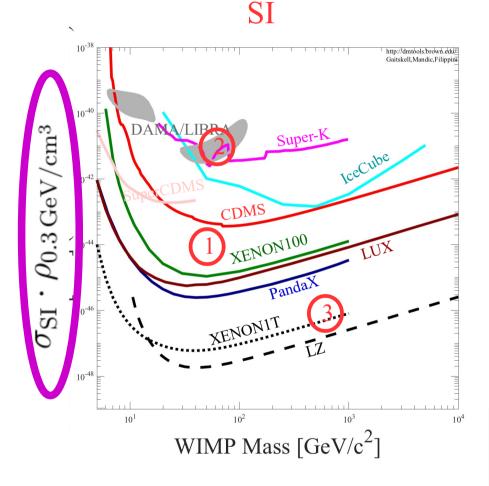
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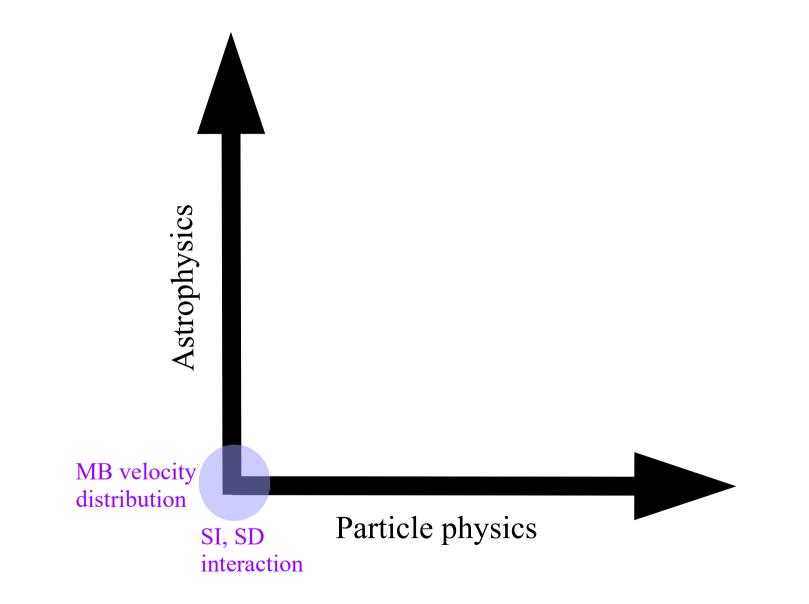
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Addressing

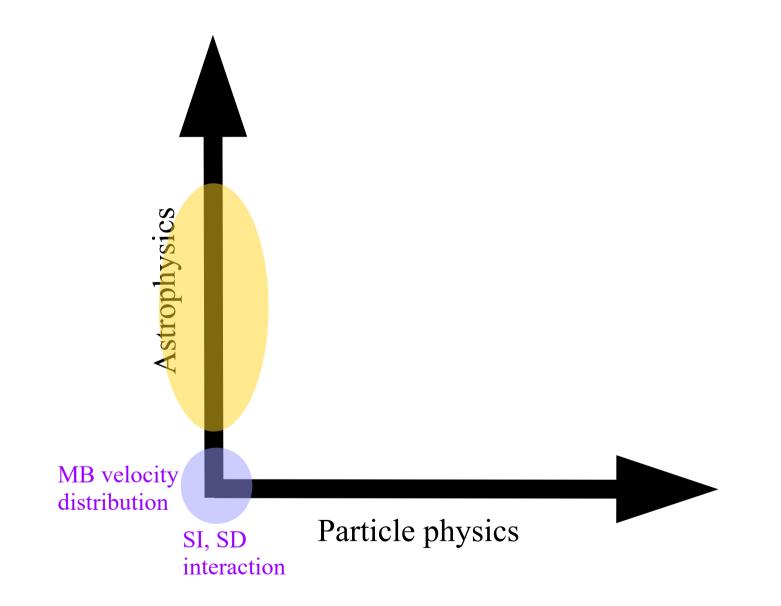
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DM theory parameter space



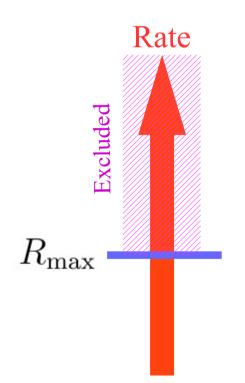
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Halo-independent approach for DM frameworks

• $(\sigma, m_{\rm DM})$ is ruled out regardless of the velocity distribution if

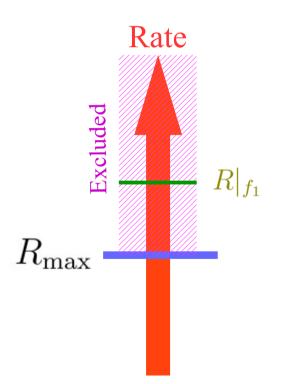
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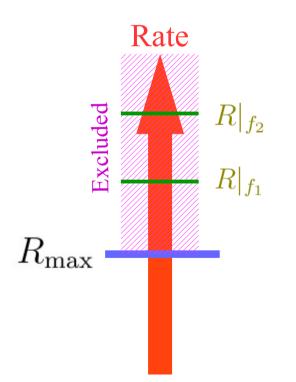
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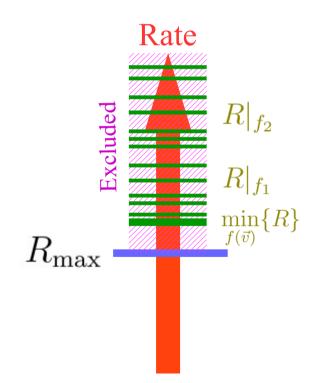
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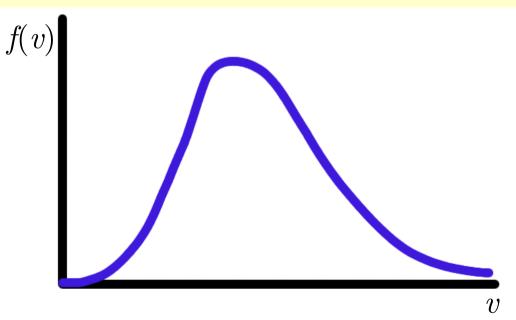
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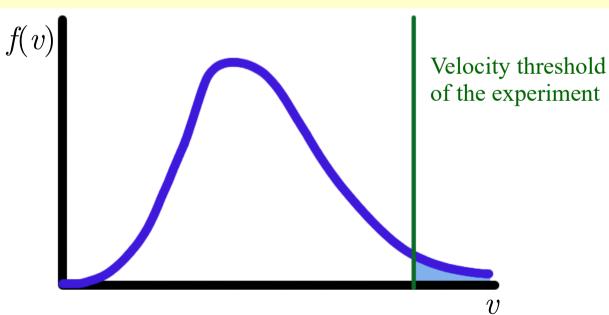
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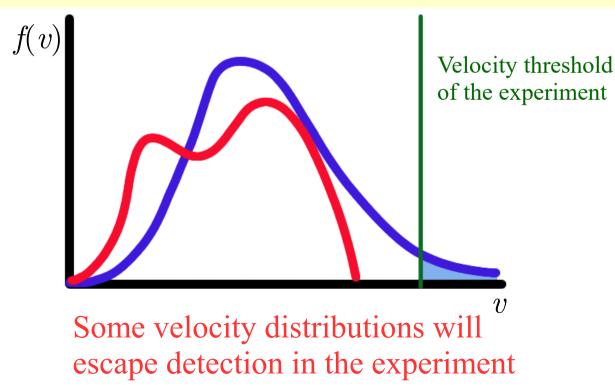
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f(v) velocity threshold for capture in the Sun

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Technically complicated...

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The objective function and the constraints are linear in the weights of the DM streams

 \hookrightarrow Optimize using linear programming techniques.

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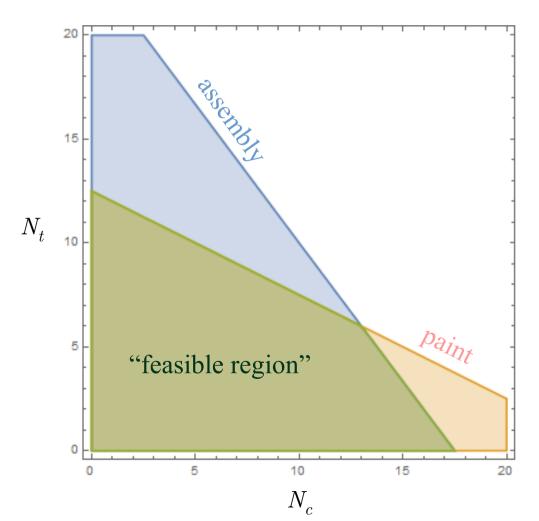
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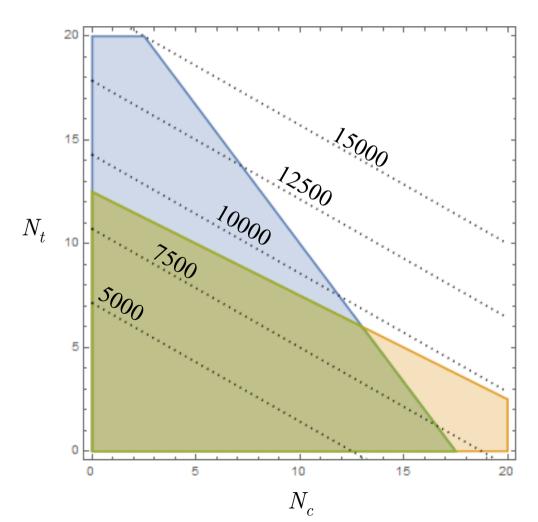
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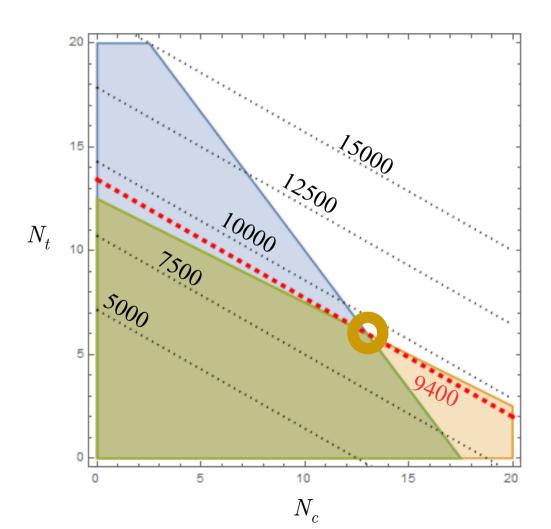
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 $N_t = 6$
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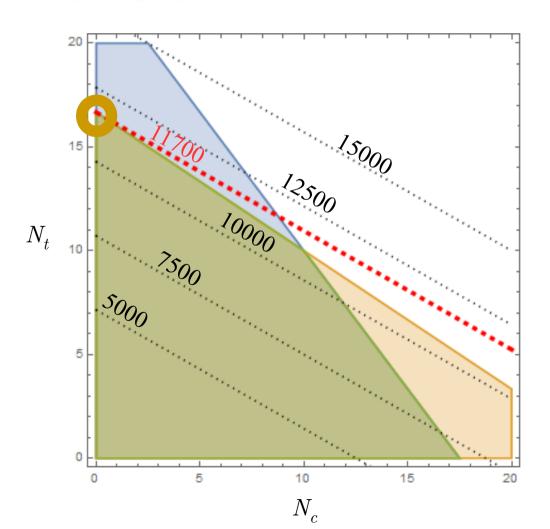


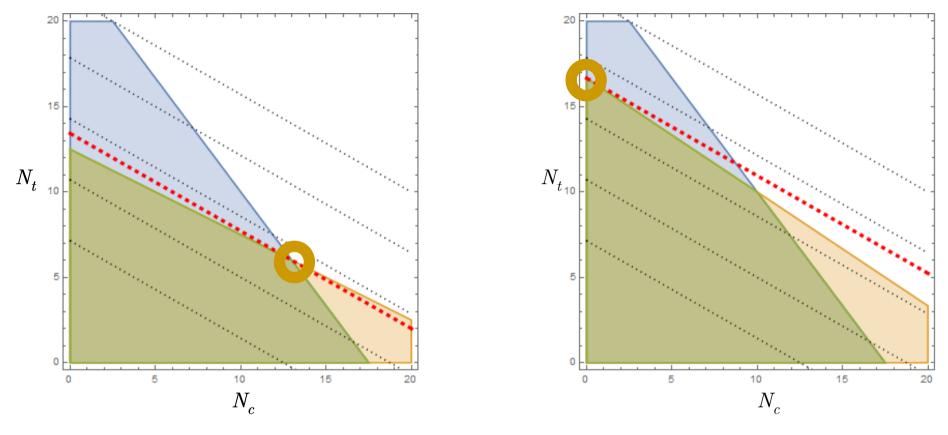
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Lessons:

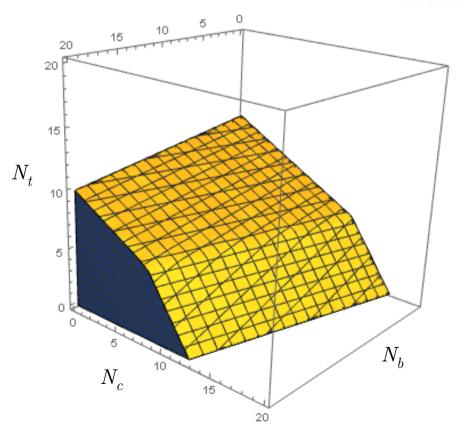
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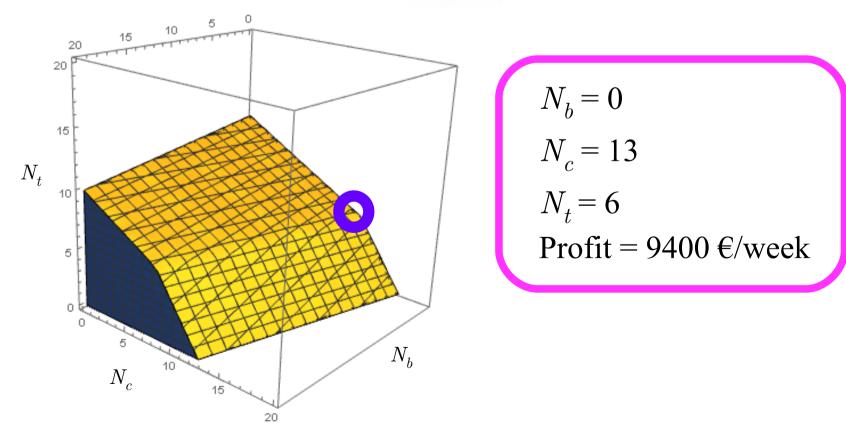
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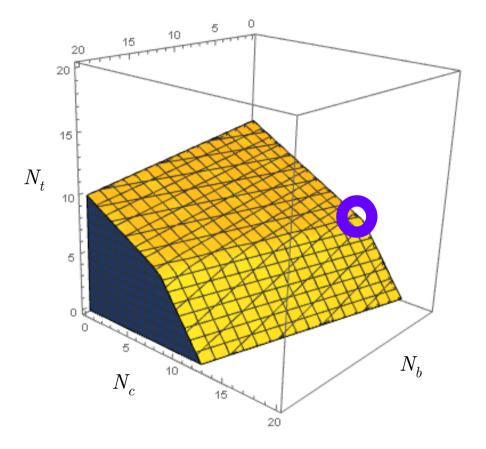
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For three decision variables and two constraints, the optimized solution *necessarily* has at least one vanishing decision variable (or, alternatively, at most two non-vanishing decision variables).

(Three non-vanishing decision variables would correspond to a point singled-out by the intersection of three planes, but we only have two constraints!) Take-home lessons from linear programming.

- 1) The solution lies at one of the vertices of the "feasible region"
- 2) For N constraints, there are between 1 and N non-vanishing decision variables.
 - (when r of the constraints are not saturated, then the
 - optimal solution consists of N r decision variables)

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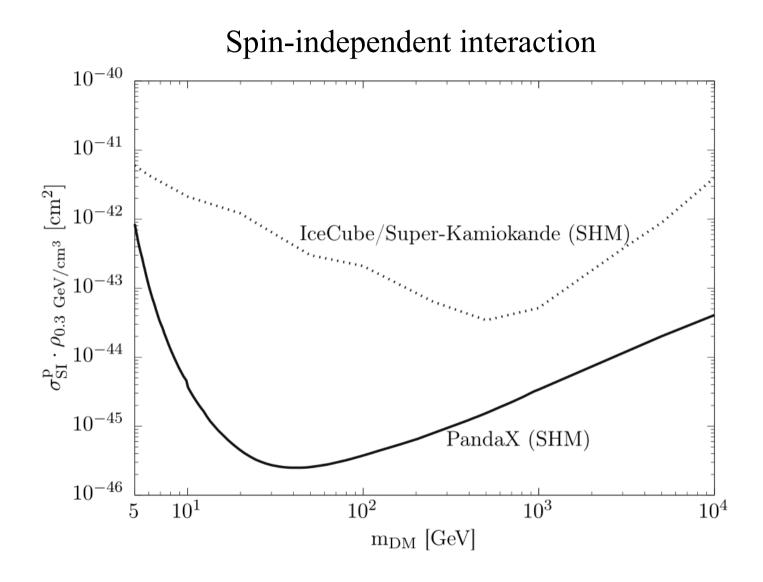
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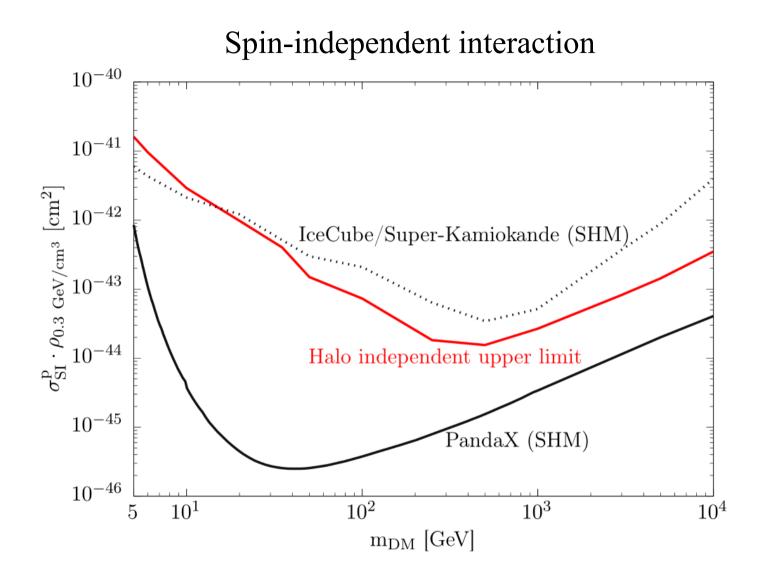
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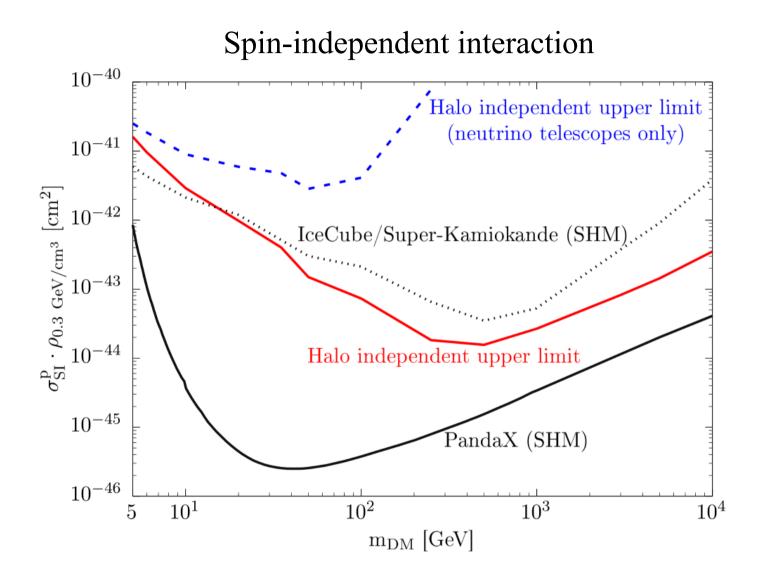
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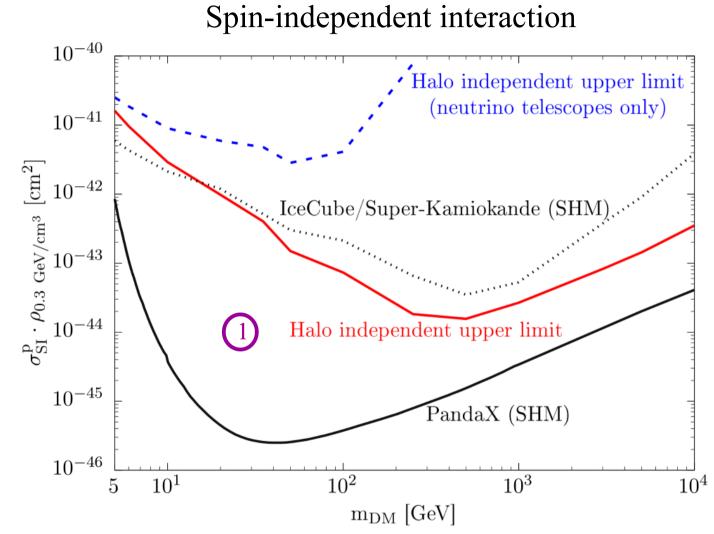
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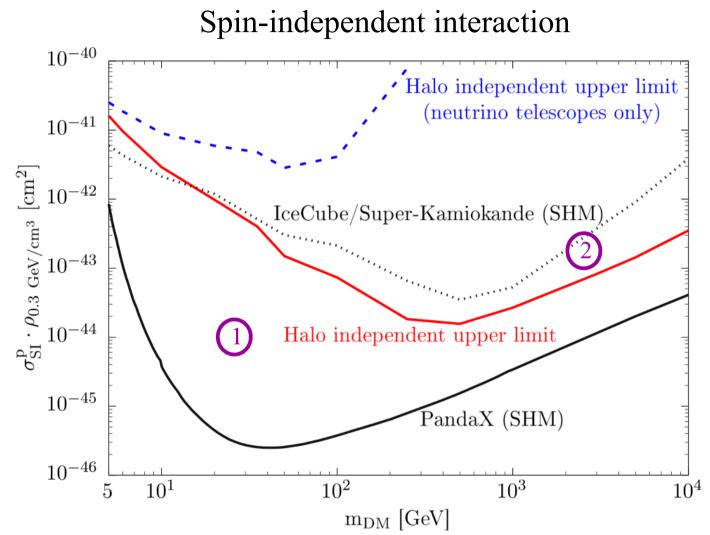




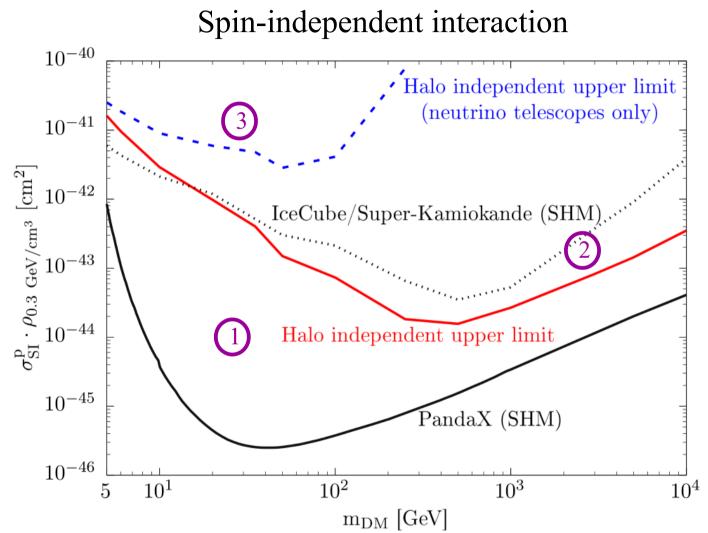




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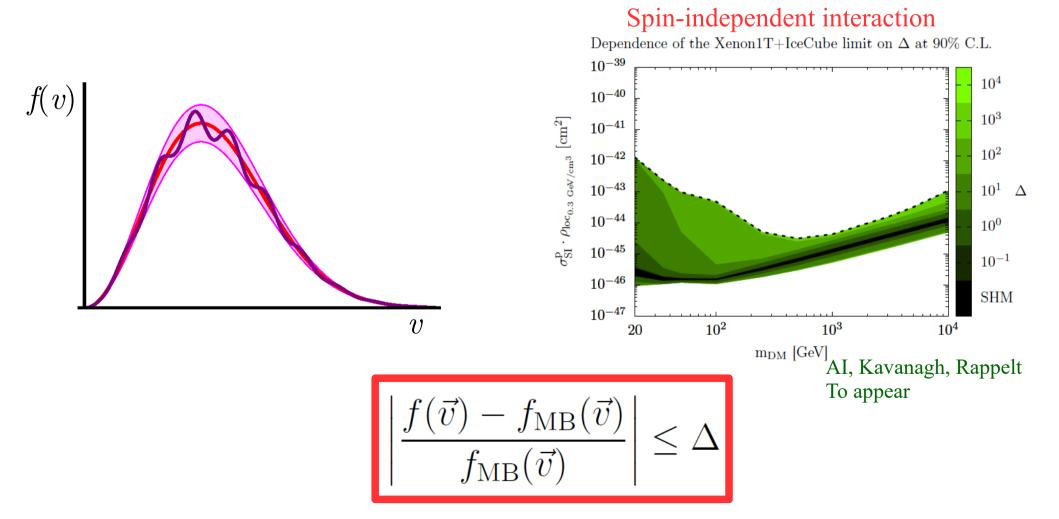
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Halo-independent upper limit on the scattering cross section from combining PandaX and IceCube/SK.

It is unlikely that the halo independent upper limit saturates (it is unlikely that the true velocity distribution consists just of two streams). Add physically plausible assumptions (e.g. MB distribution +"distortions").



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The same method can be applied to bracket the astrophysical uncertainties in any experiment.

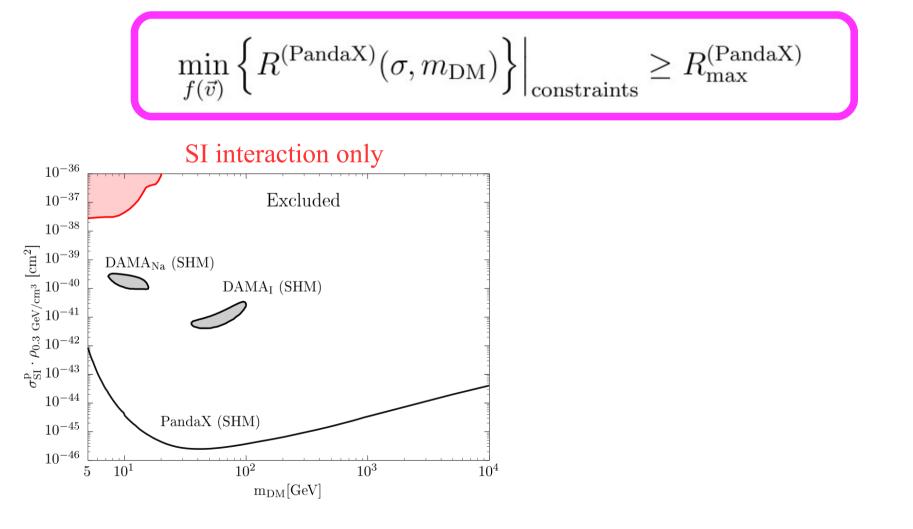
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Spin-independent interaction

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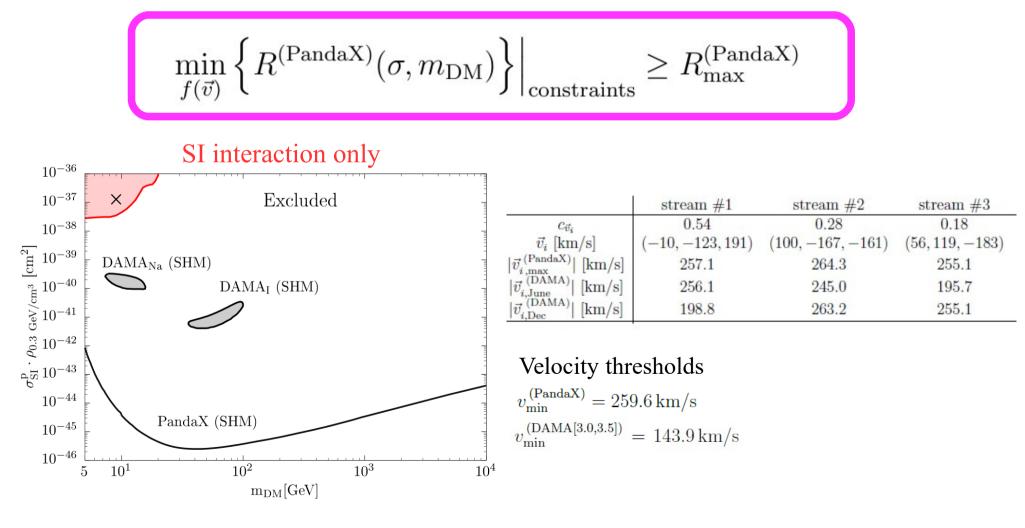
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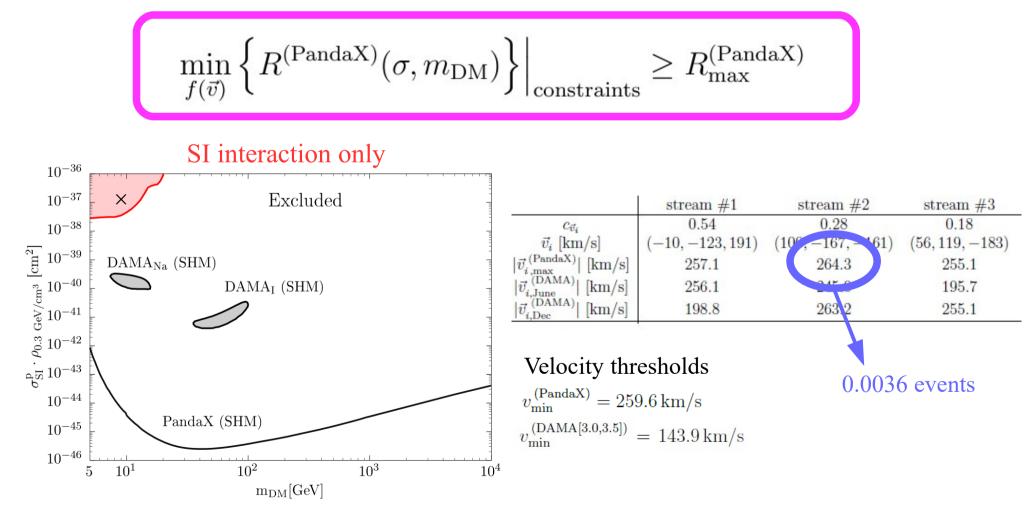
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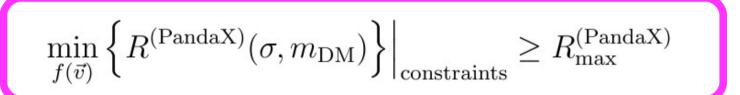
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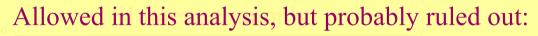


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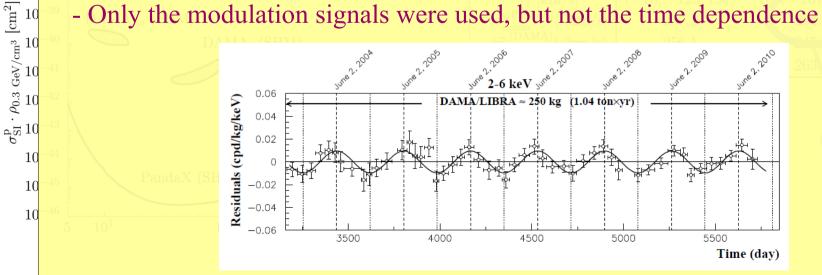


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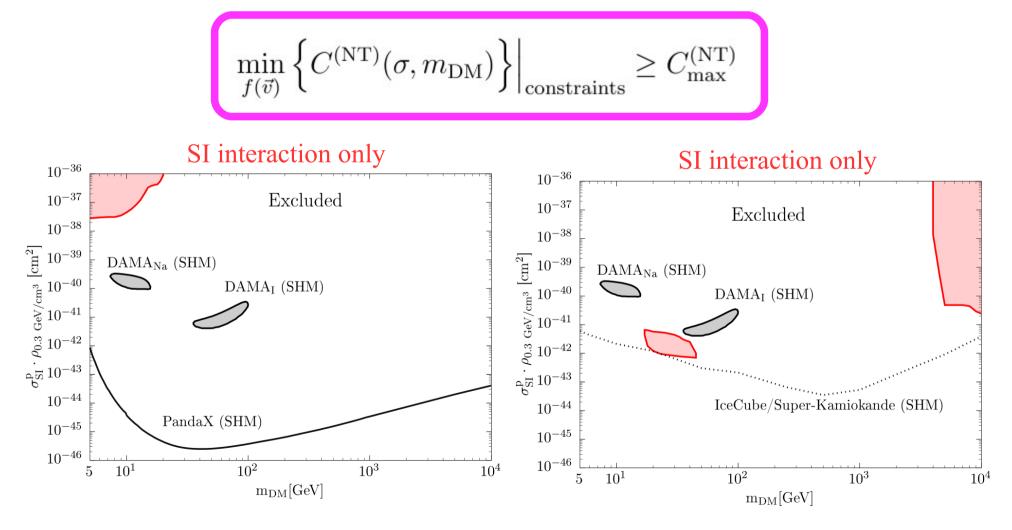
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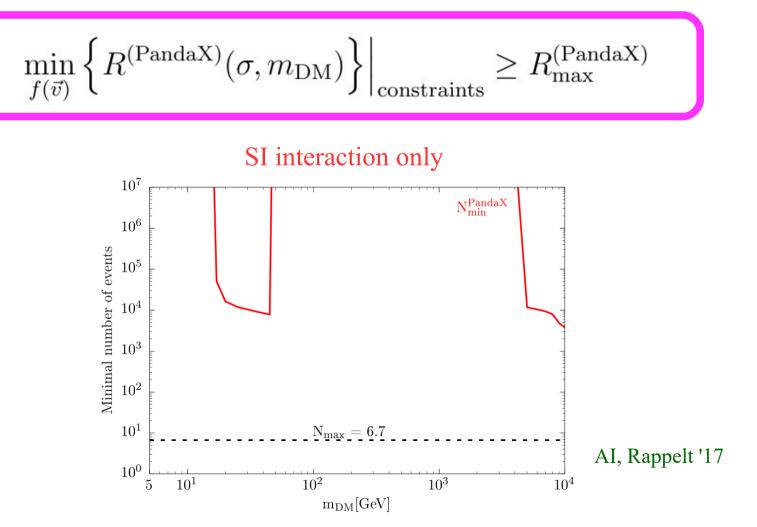
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The parameters σ and $m^{}_{\rm DM}$ are excluded in a halo independent manner if:



Halo independent prospects for future experiments

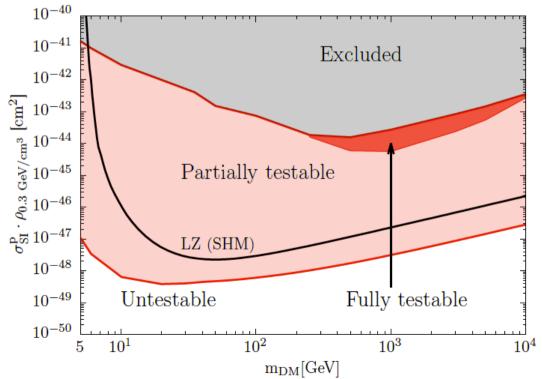
The parameters σ and m_{DM} are fully testable in a halo independent manner if :

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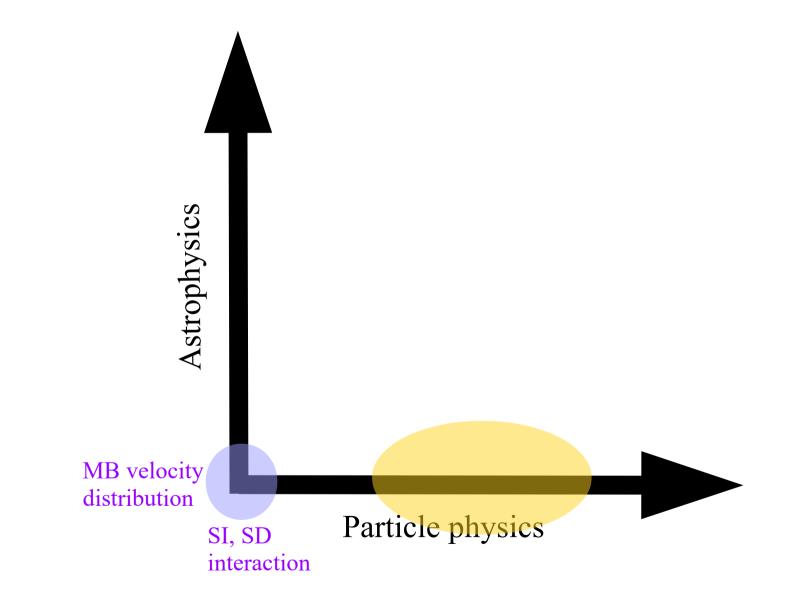
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LZ reach to the SI cross-section from null results at neutrino telescopes



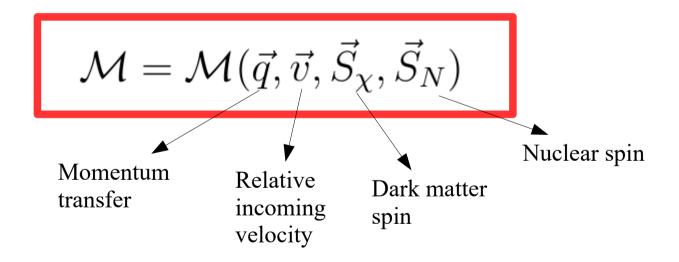
DM theory parameter space



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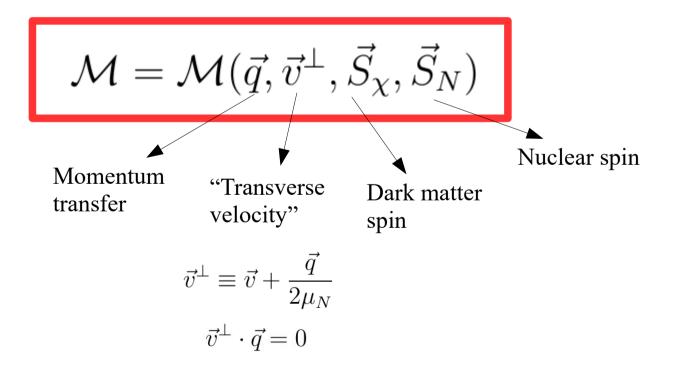
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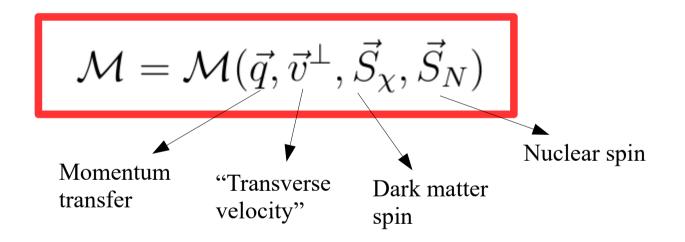
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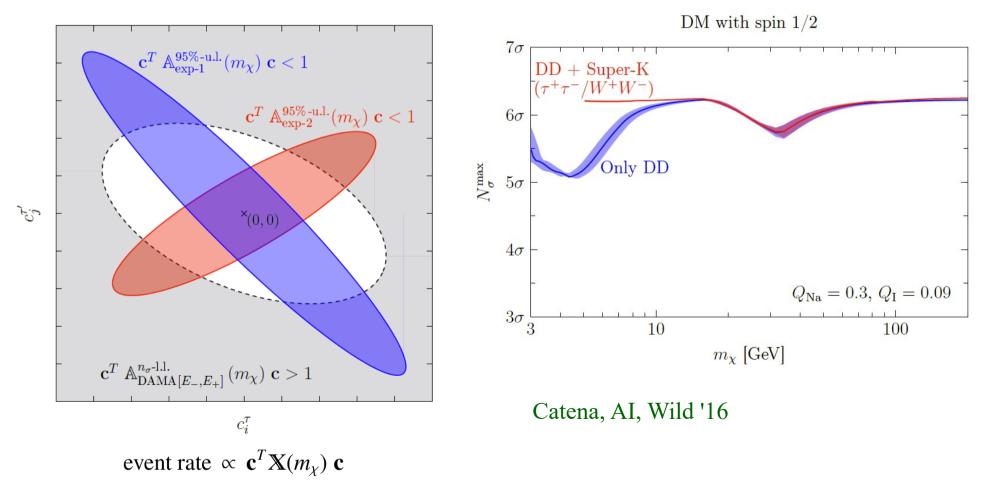
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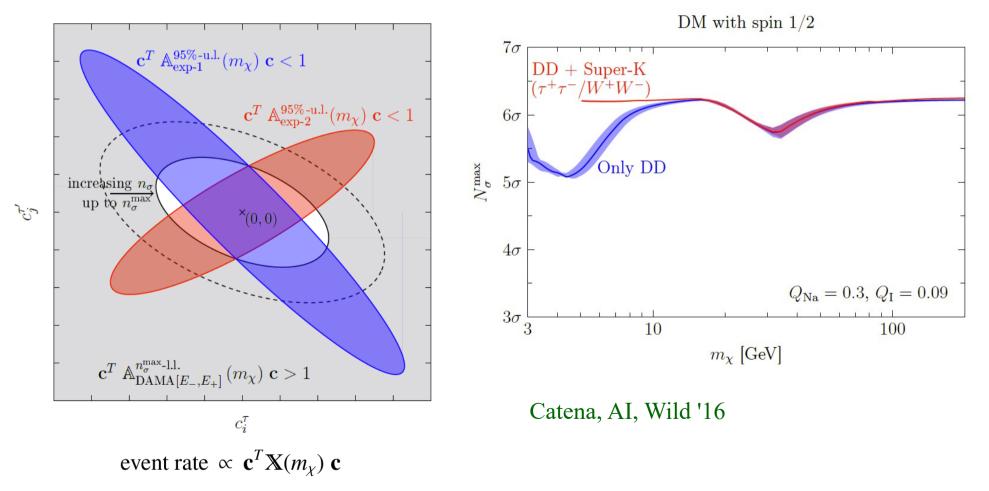
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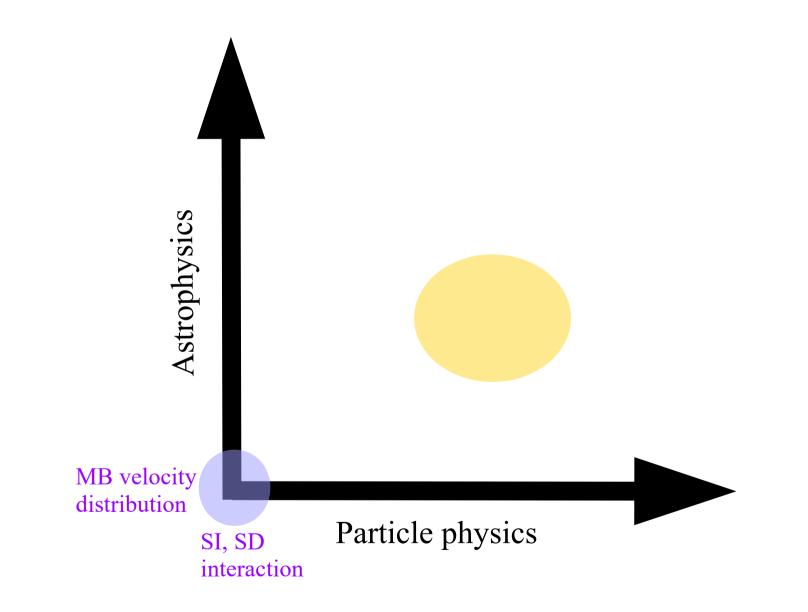
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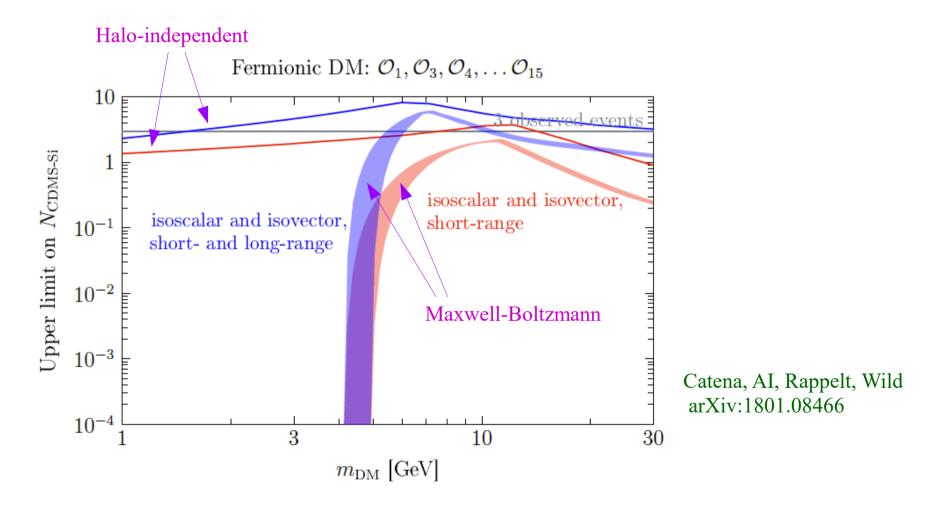
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<u>Conclusions</u>

- The interpretation of any experiment probing the dark matter distribution inside the Solar System is subject to our ignorance of the local dark matter density and velocity distribution, as well as of the underlying particle physics model.
- We have developed a method to calculate the minimum/maximum number of signal events in an experiment probing the dark matter distribution inside the Solar System, in view of a number of constraints from direct detection experiments and/or neutrino telescopes.
- Some applications are:
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 - ii) to confront in a halo-independent way a detection claim to a set of null results.
 - iii) to assess, in a halo-independent manner, the prospects for detection in a future experiment given a set of current null results.
- The method could be extended to include other dark matter interactions, or to account for more realistic velocity configurations.