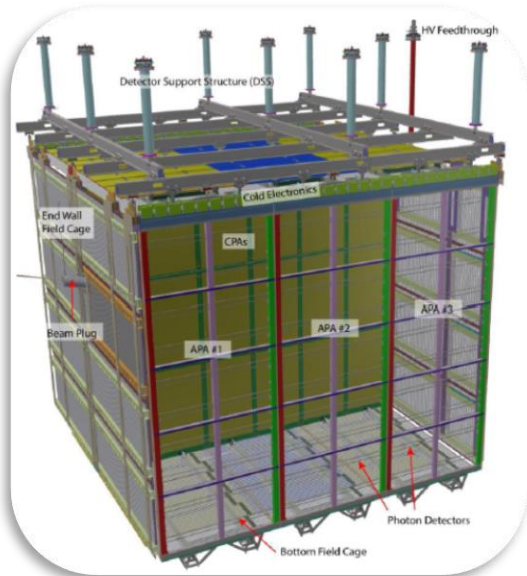
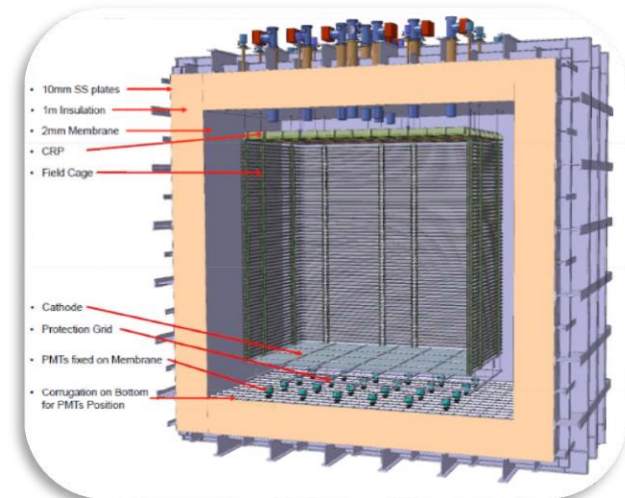


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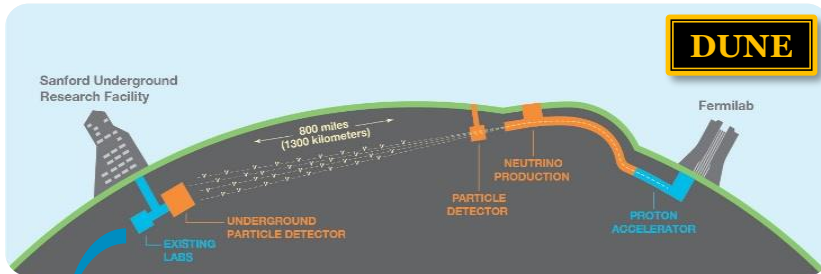
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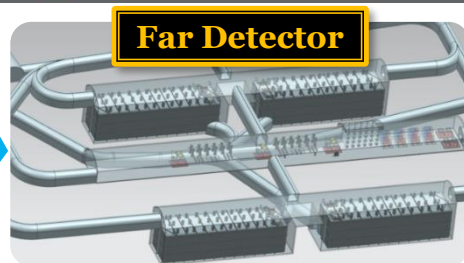
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@ CERN



- ❖ SP: single-phase
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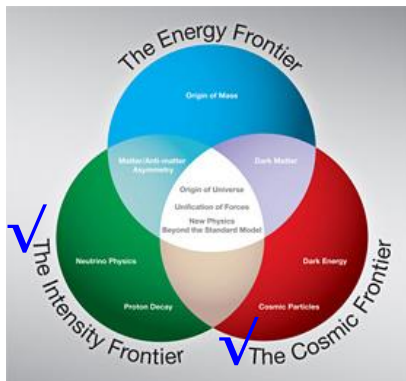
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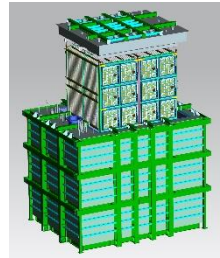
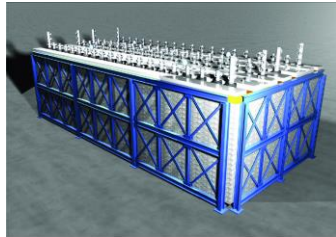
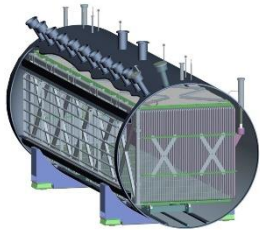
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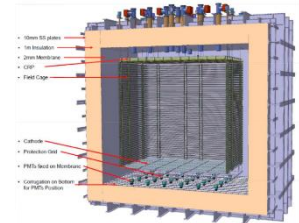
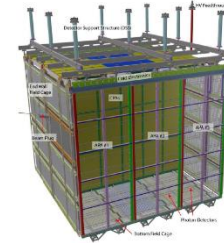
- ✓ To test the long-term stability & operation
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# Surface $\nu$ Detectors

## SBN Program



## ProtoDUNE



Detector	Target material	Active volume		Fiducial volume		Depth	Electron	
		$w \times h \times l$ [m <sup>3</sup> ]	mass [kt]	mass [kt]	$E_{th}$ [MeV]		$\theta_{res}$	
MicroBooNE	LArTPC	$2.56 \times 2.33 \times 10.37$	0.089	0.055	$\sim 6$ m underground	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	$\mathcal{O}(1^\circ)$	
ICARUS	LArTPC	$2.96 \times 3.2 \times 18$ ( $\times 2$ )	0.476	$\sim 0.3$	$\sim 6$ m underground	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	$\mathcal{O}(1^\circ)$	
SBND	LArTPC	$4 \times 4 \times 5$	0.112	$\sim 0.07$	$\sim 6$ m underground	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	$\mathcal{O}(1^\circ)$	
ProtoDUNE SP	LArTPC	$3.6 \times 6 \times 7$ ( $\times 2$ )	$\sim 0.42$	$\sim 0.3$	on the ground	$\sim 30$	$\sim 1^\circ$	
ProtoDUNE DP	LArTPC	$6 \times 6 \times 6$	$\sim 0.3$	$\sim 0.21$	on the ground	$\sim 30$	$\sim 1^\circ$	

- ✓ **MicroBooNE**: on-going since **July 2015** (BNB: operational since October 2015)
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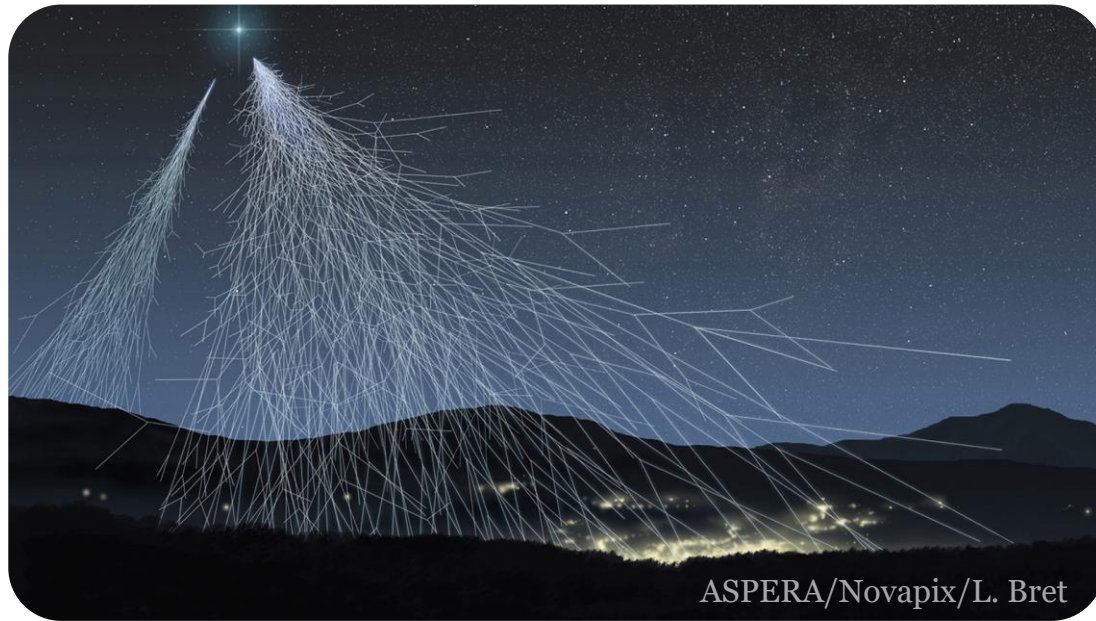
Timely & Highly  
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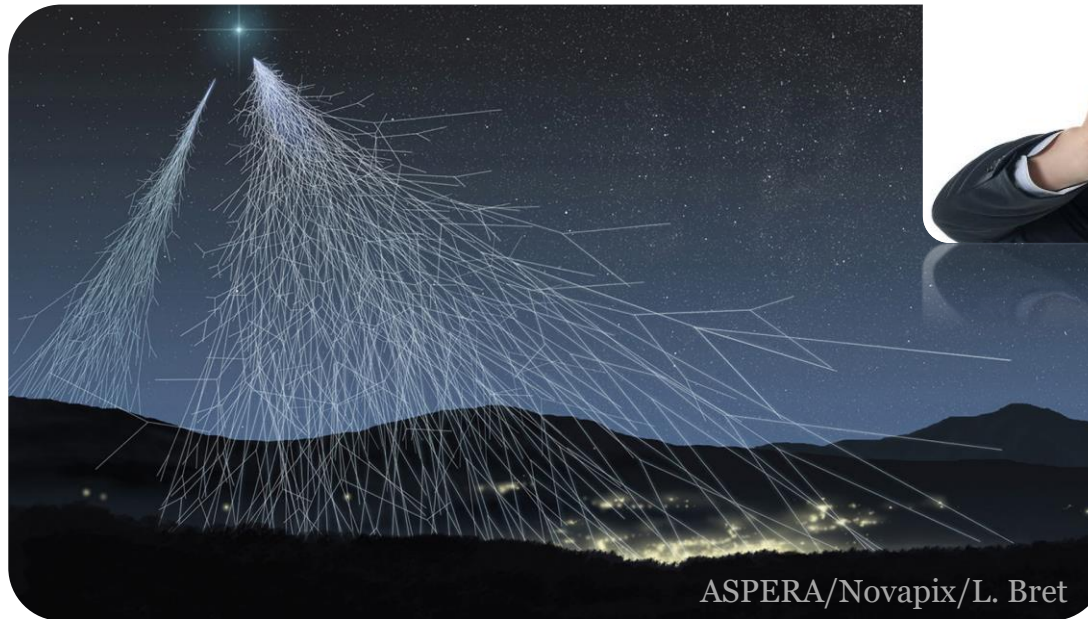
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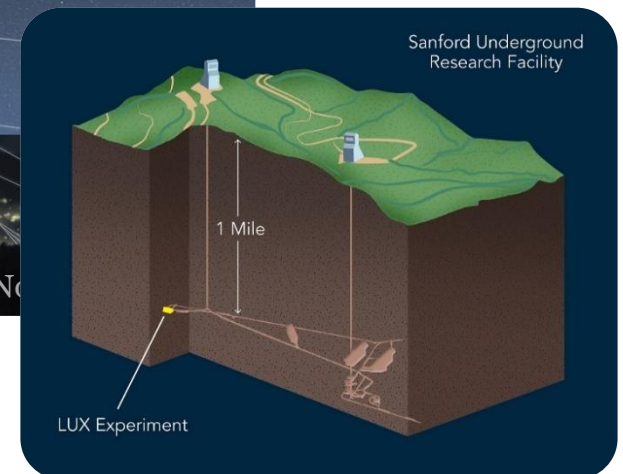
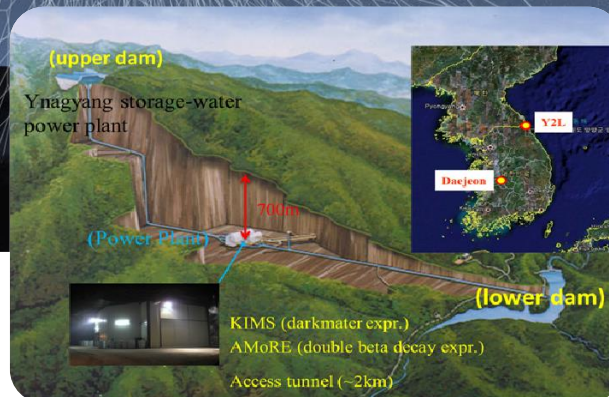
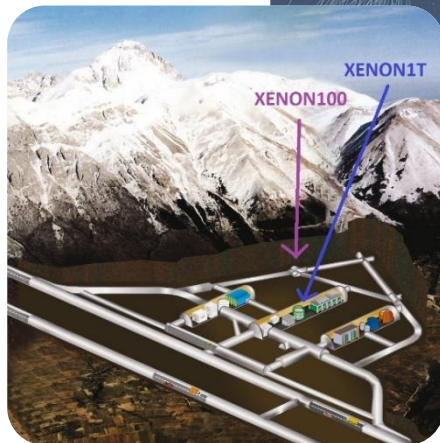
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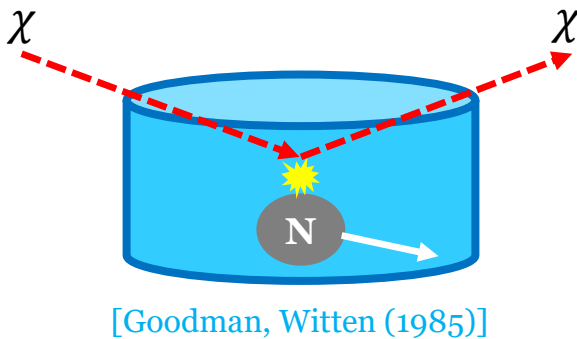
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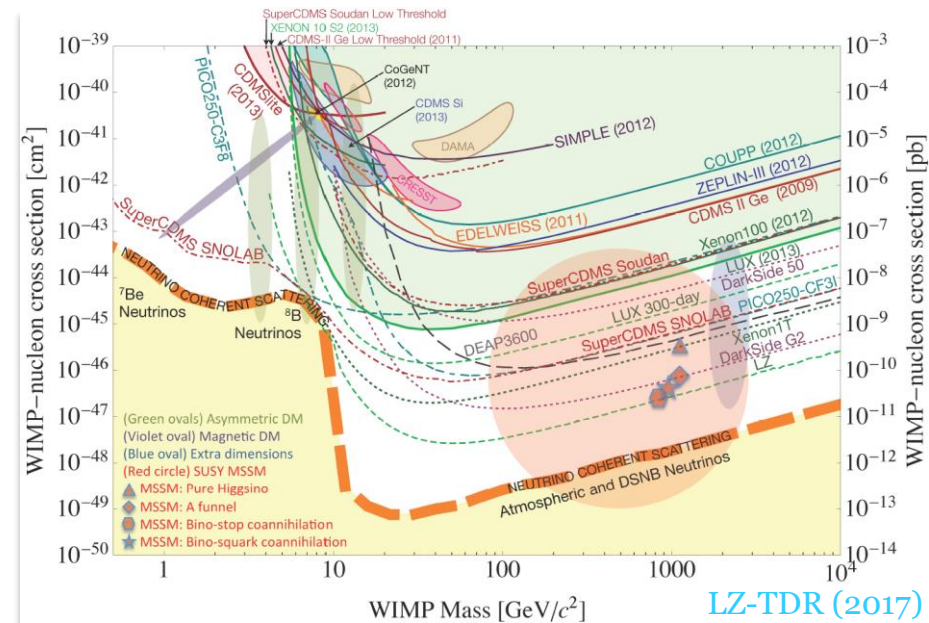
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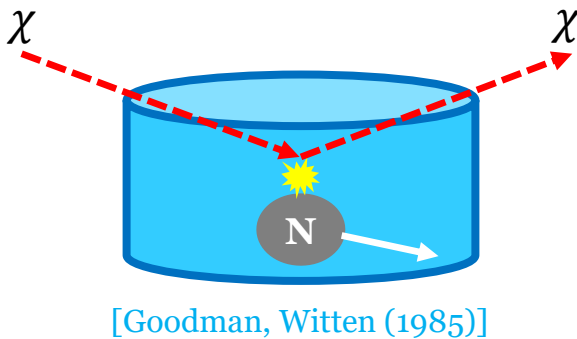
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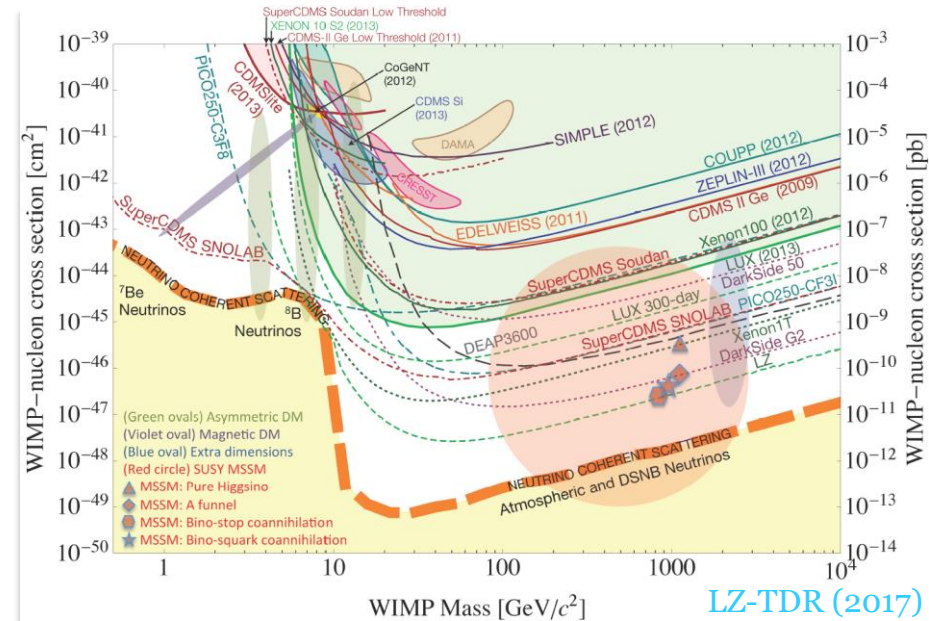
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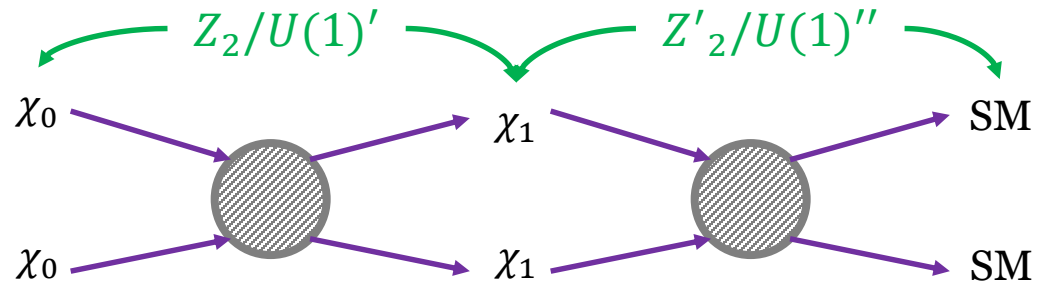
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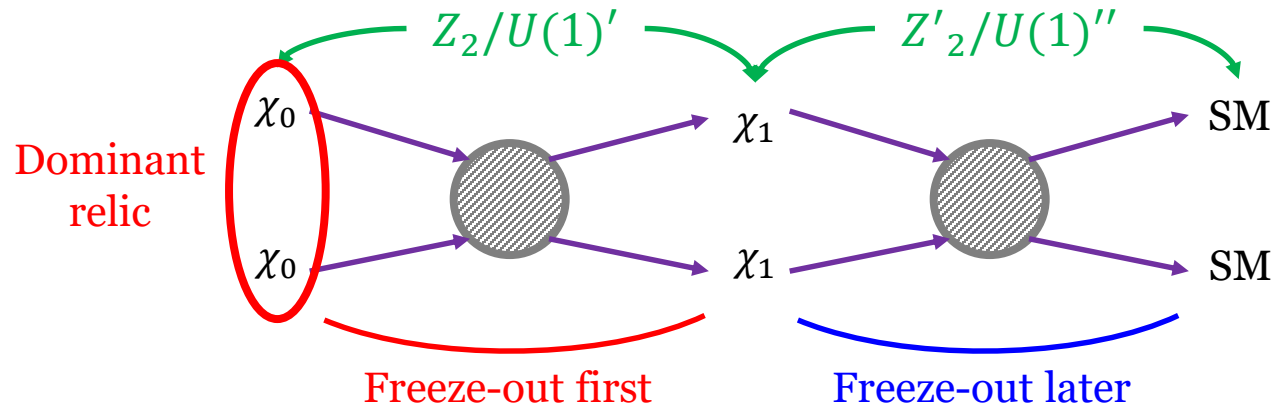
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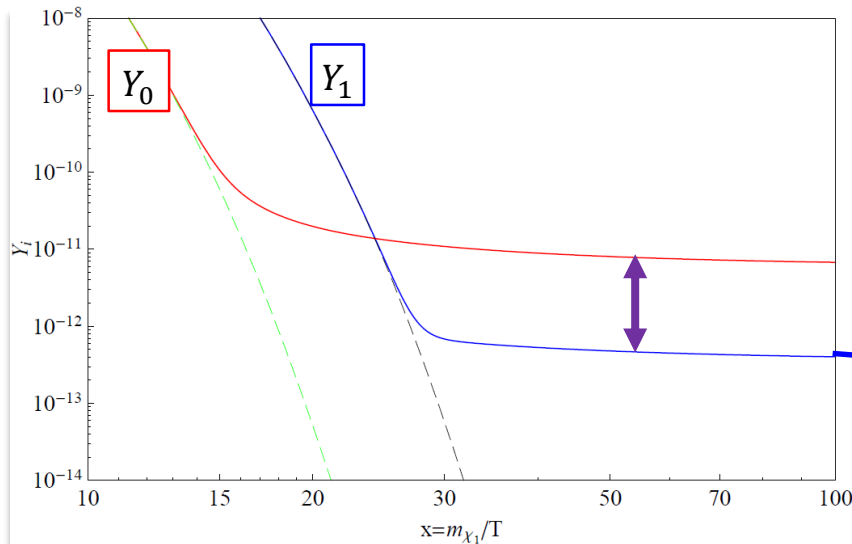
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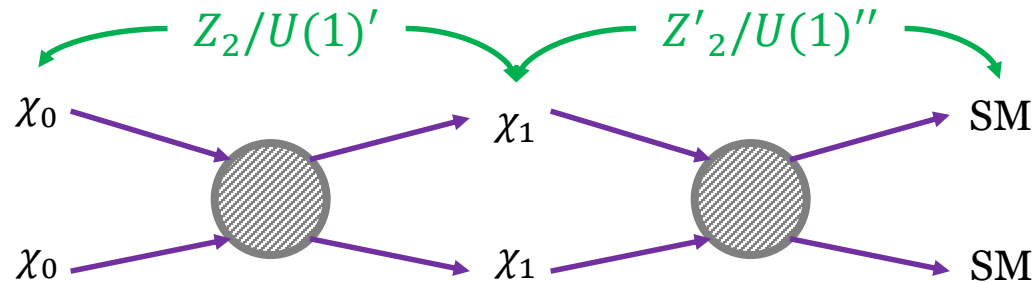
## "Assisted Freeze-out" Mechanism

- ✓ Heavier relic  $\chi_0$ : hard to detect it due to **tiny coupling to SM**
  - ✓ Lighter relic  $\chi_1$ : hard to detect it due to **small relic**
- $\chi_1$ : Negligible, Non-relativistic relic



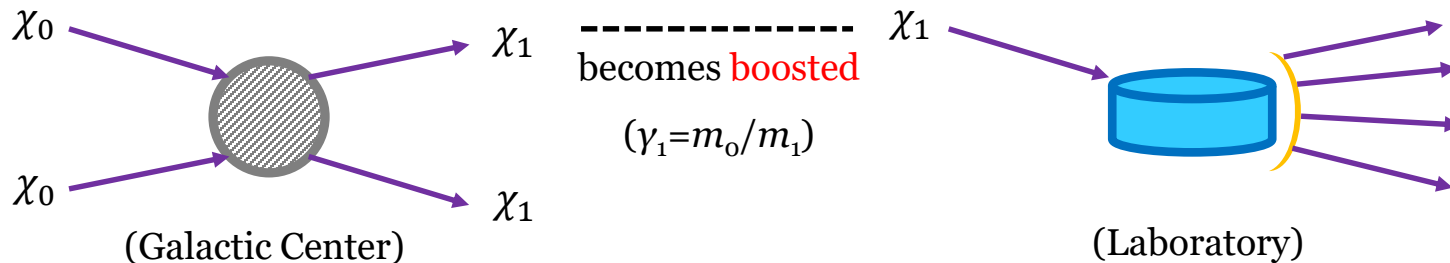
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$\chi_0\chi_0 \rightarrow \chi_1\chi_1$  (**current** universe): **Relativistic!!** ( $\gamma_1 = m_0/m_1$ )

(Note that relic  $\chi_1$  is non-relativistic.)



[Agashe, Cui, Necib, Thaler (2014)]

# Flux & Detection of BDM

## ❖ Flux of boosted $\chi_1$ around the Earth

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\Omega \int_{\text{los}} ds \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi_0 \bar{\chi}_0 \rightarrow \chi_1 \bar{\chi}_1} \left( \frac{\rho(s, \theta)}{m_0} \right)^2$$
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from the number density of DM  $\chi_0$   
 $n_0 = \rho_0 / m_0$

## ❖ Setting $\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi_0 \bar{\chi}_0 \rightarrow \chi_1 \bar{\chi}_1} \sim 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ & assuming NFW DM halo profile,

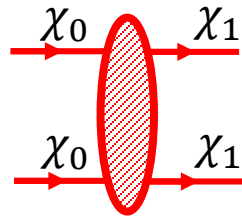
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- ✓ **Not too small** for small-volume ( $\sim 1$  ton) detectors to have signal sensitivity (e.g., conventional WIMP detectors: Xenon1T, LZ, ...)
- ✓ **Big enough** for **sub-kt** LArTPC detectors to observe signal events (good position/angle/vertex resolution & particle identification, low  $E_{\text{th}}$  of LArTPC detectors, e.g., ProtoDUNE)

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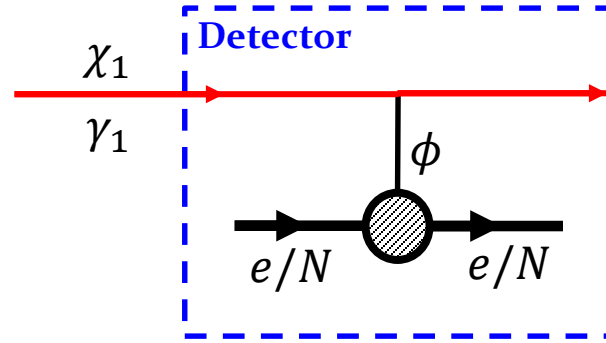
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Featureless signal  $\rightarrow$  hard to separate from potential BGs  
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 [Kim, Kong, *JCP*, Shin (2018)]

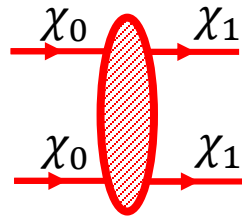
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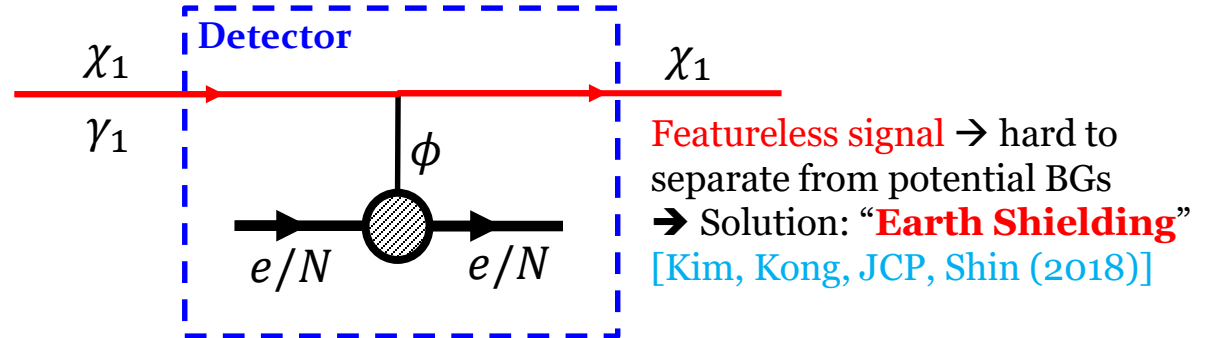
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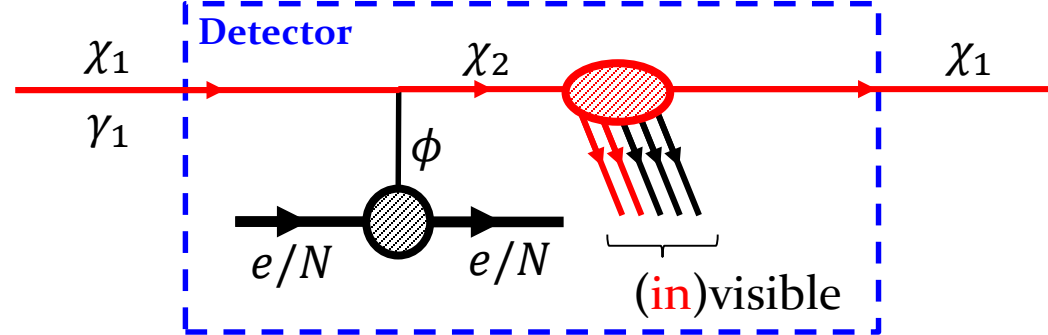


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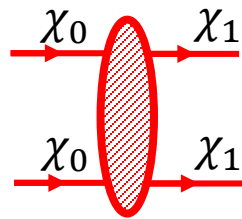


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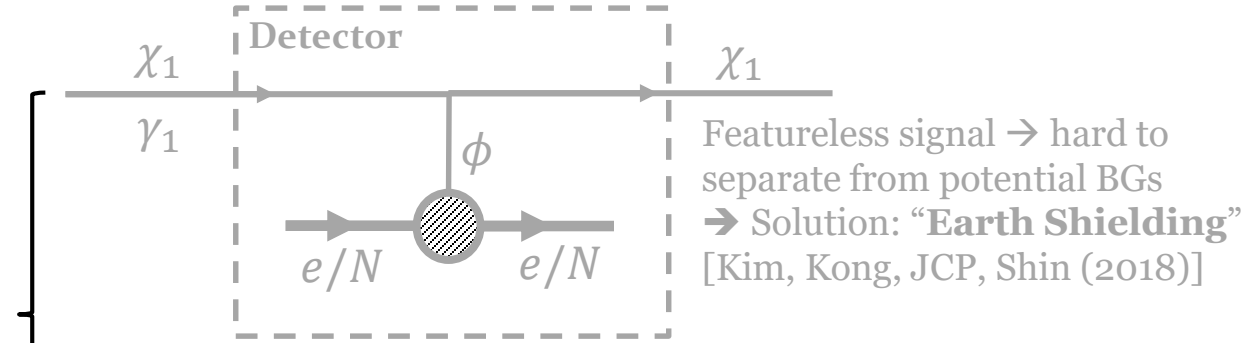
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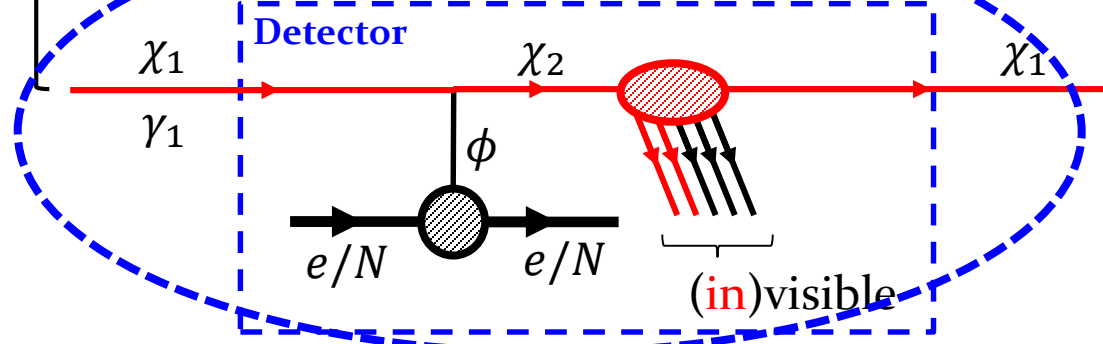


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(in collaboration with Chatterjee et al.,  
[arXiv:1803.03264])

# Benchmark Model

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Based on  
**Assisted FO** set-up  
[Belanger, JCP (2011)]

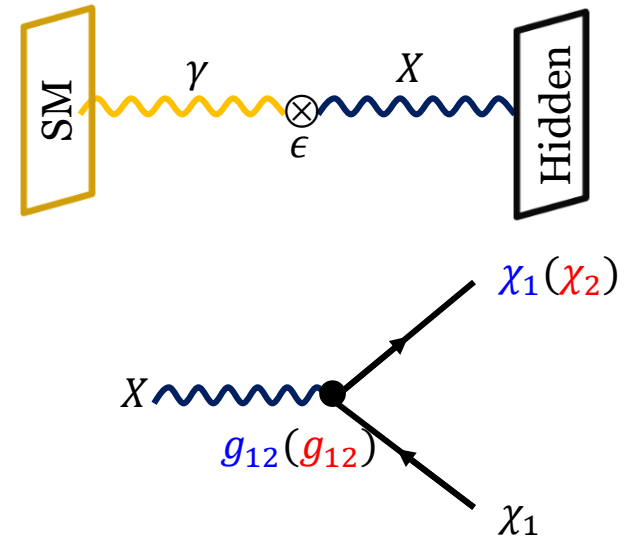
❖ **Vector portal (kinetic mixing)** [Holdom (1986)]

❖ Fermionic DM

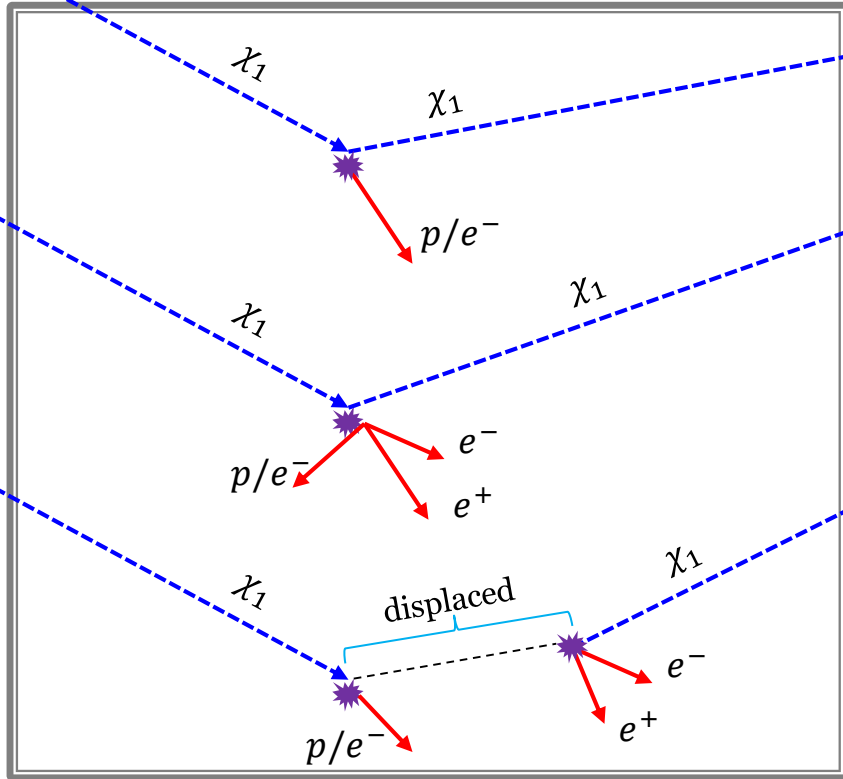
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❖ **Various models** conceiving BDM signatures

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- ✓ Portal: vector portal, scalar portal, etc.
- ✓ DM spin: fermionic DM, scalar DM, etc.
- ✓ iBDM-inducing operators: two chiral fermions, two real scalars, dipole moment interactions, etc.



# Expected Signatures

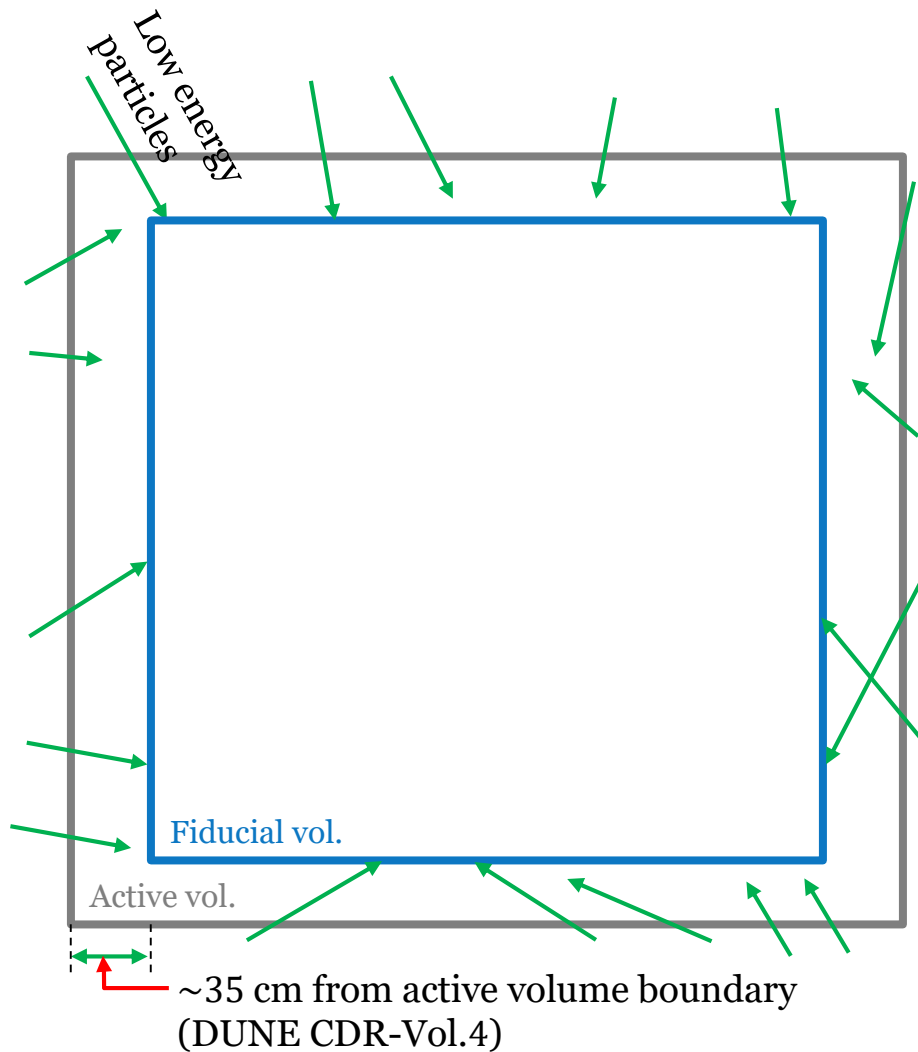


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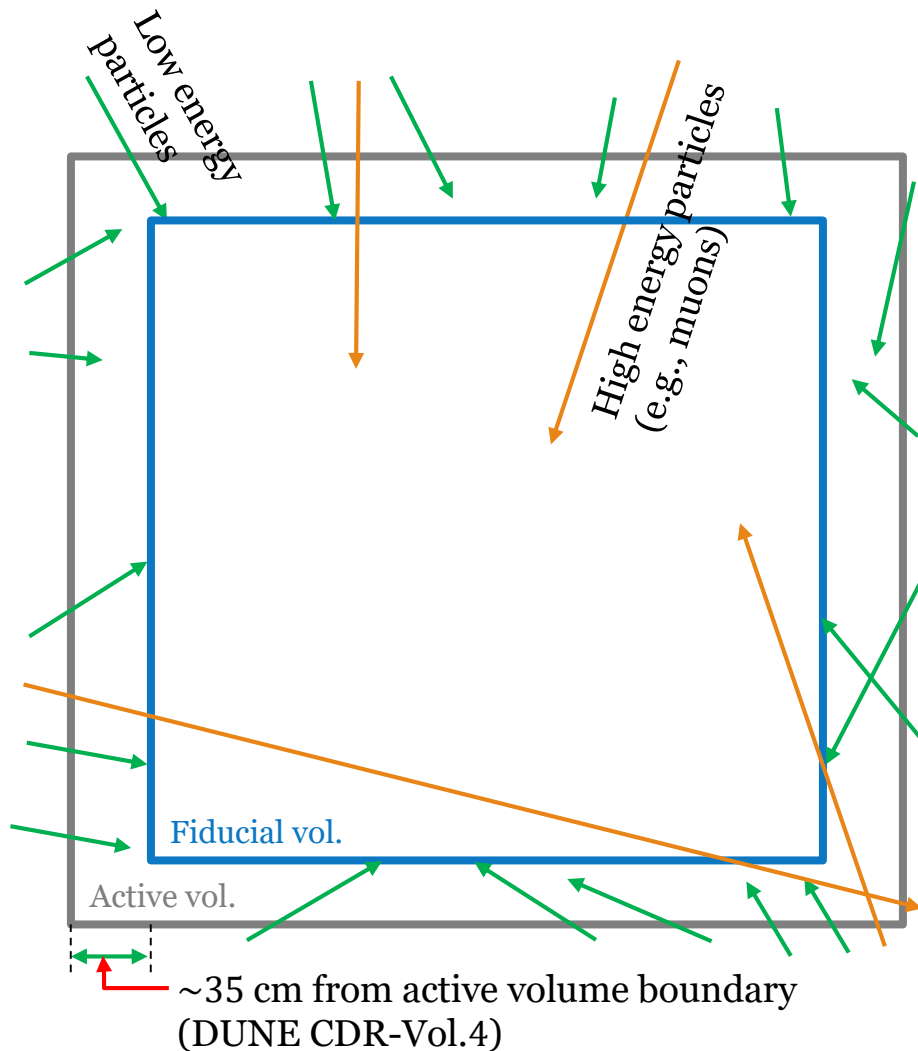
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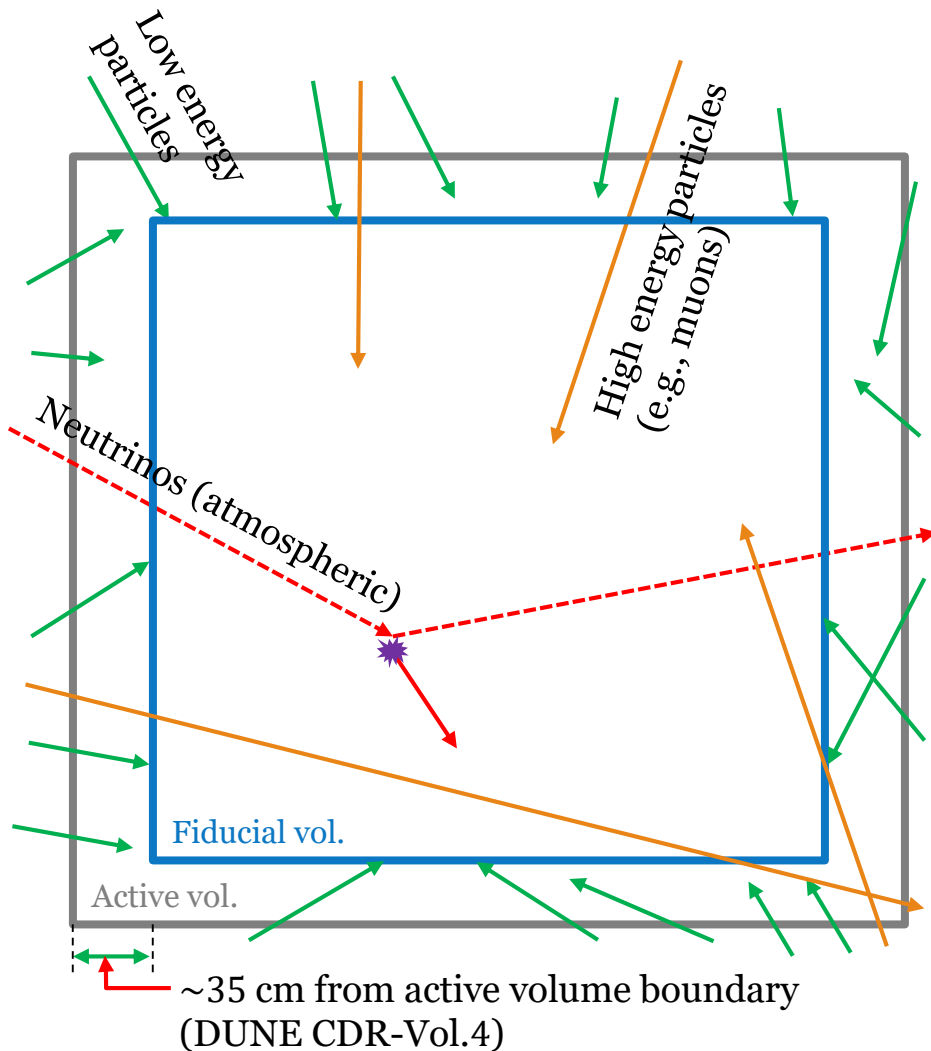
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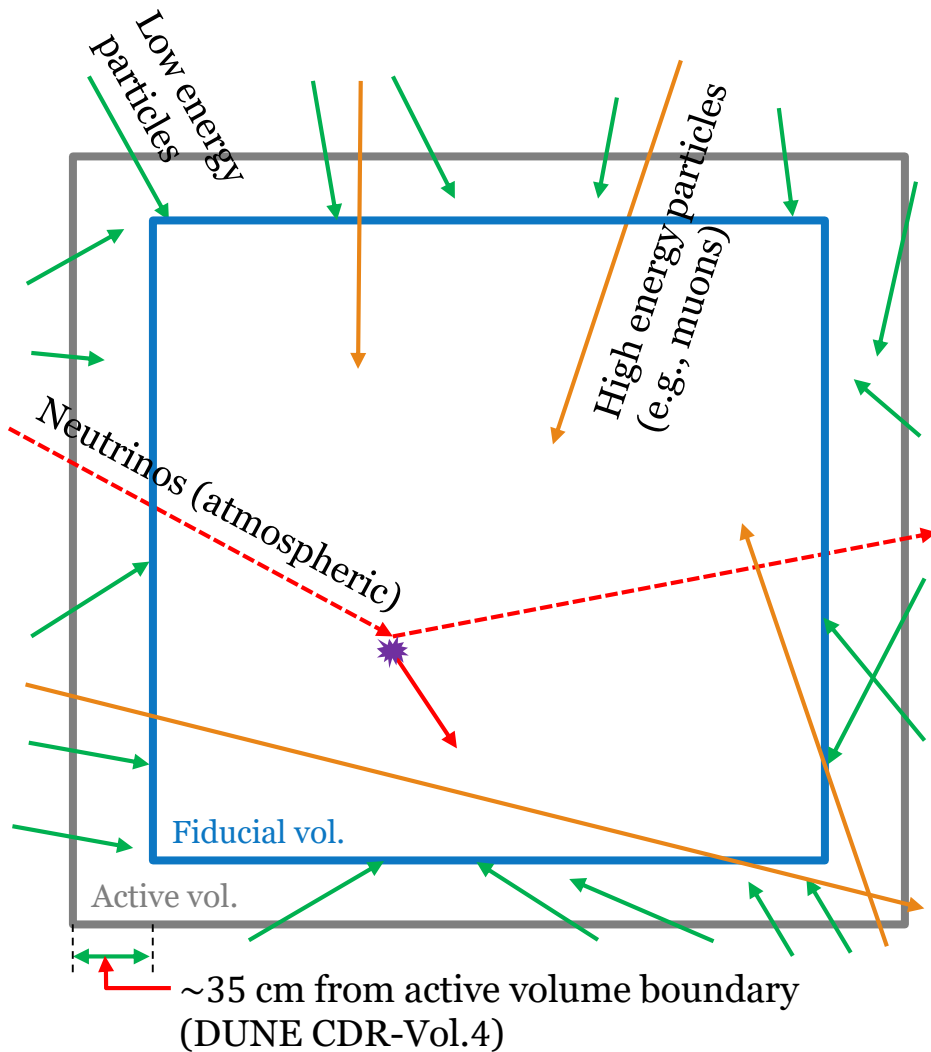
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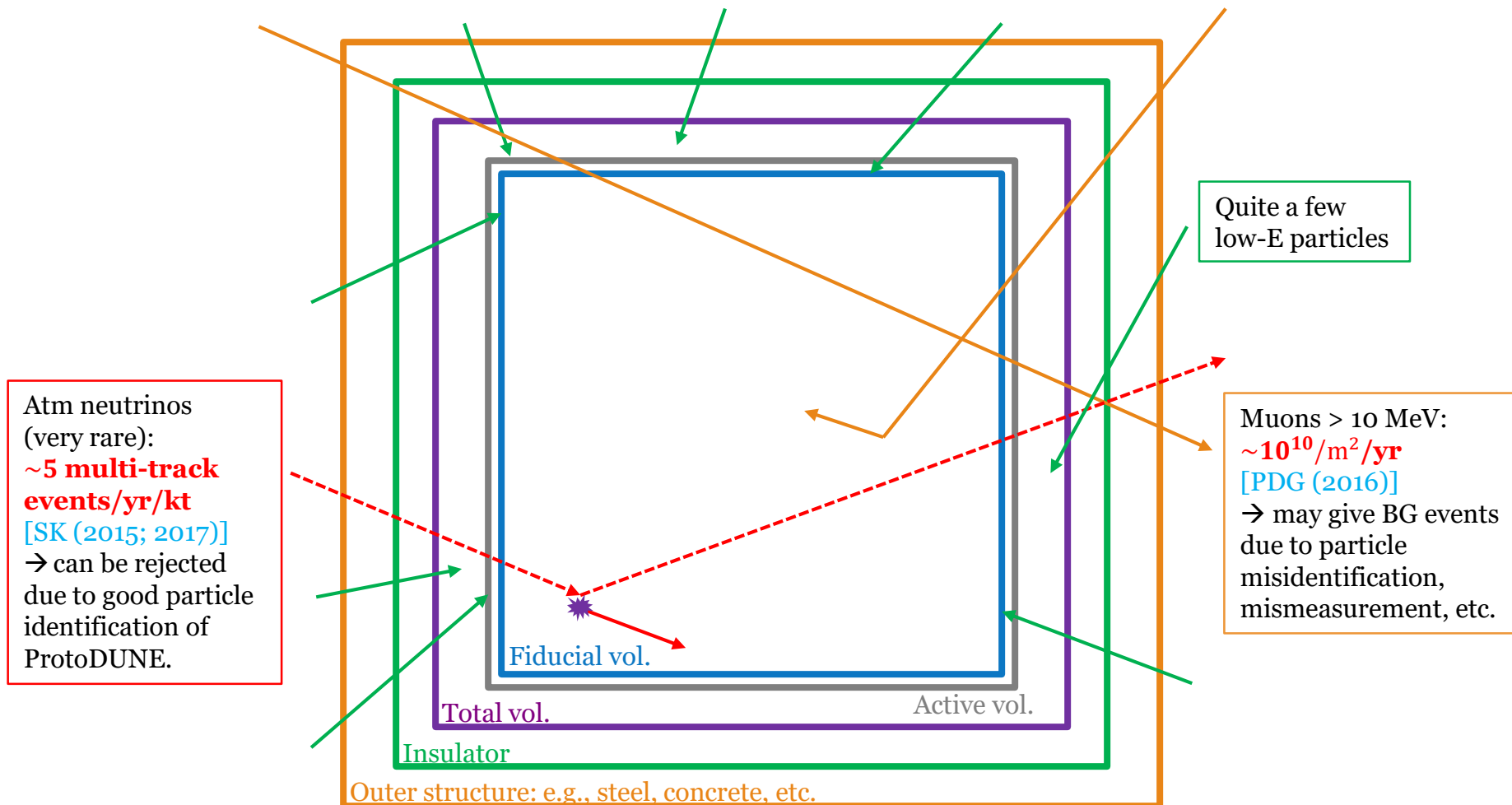


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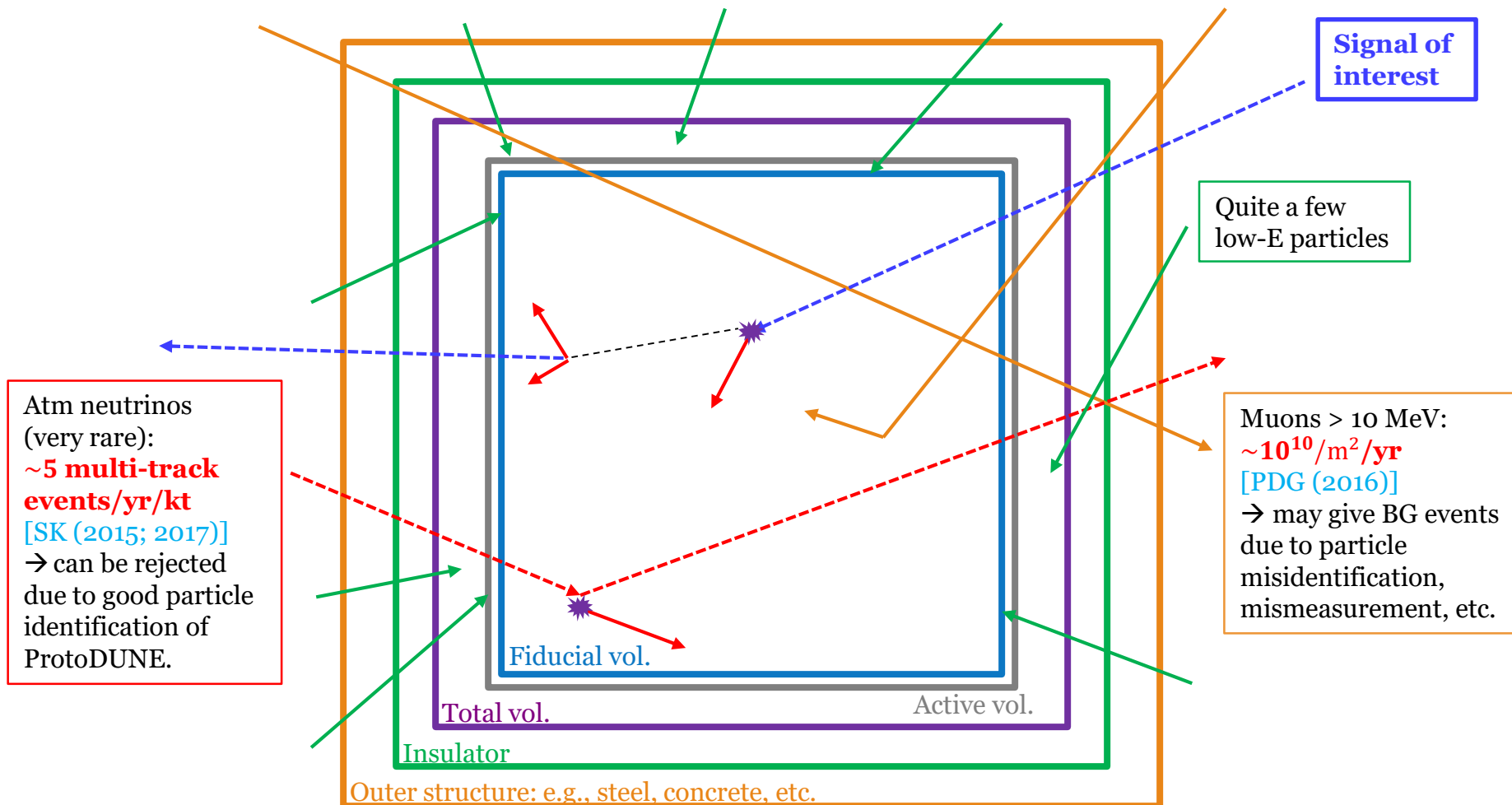


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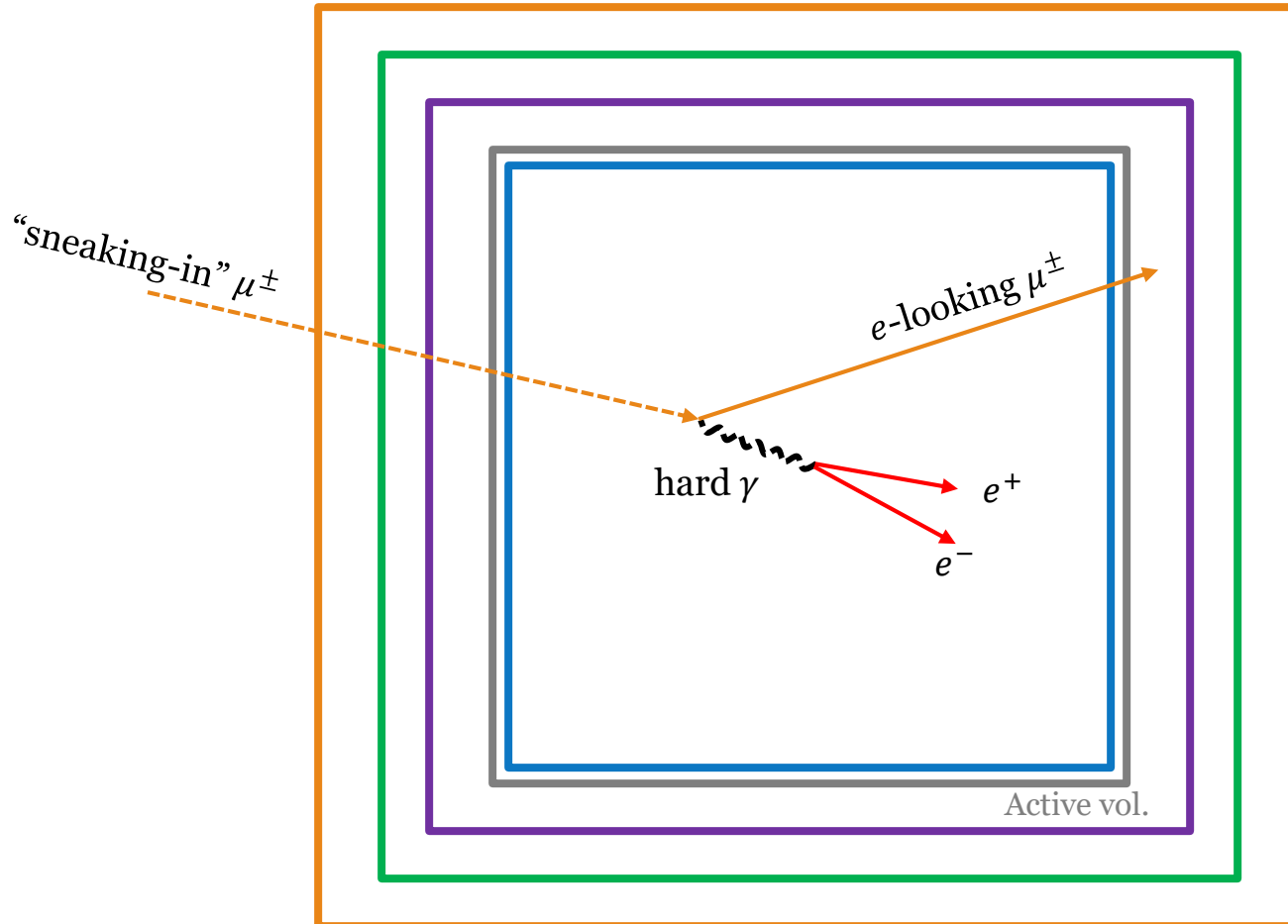


# Cosmic-origin BGs vs *i*BDM Signal

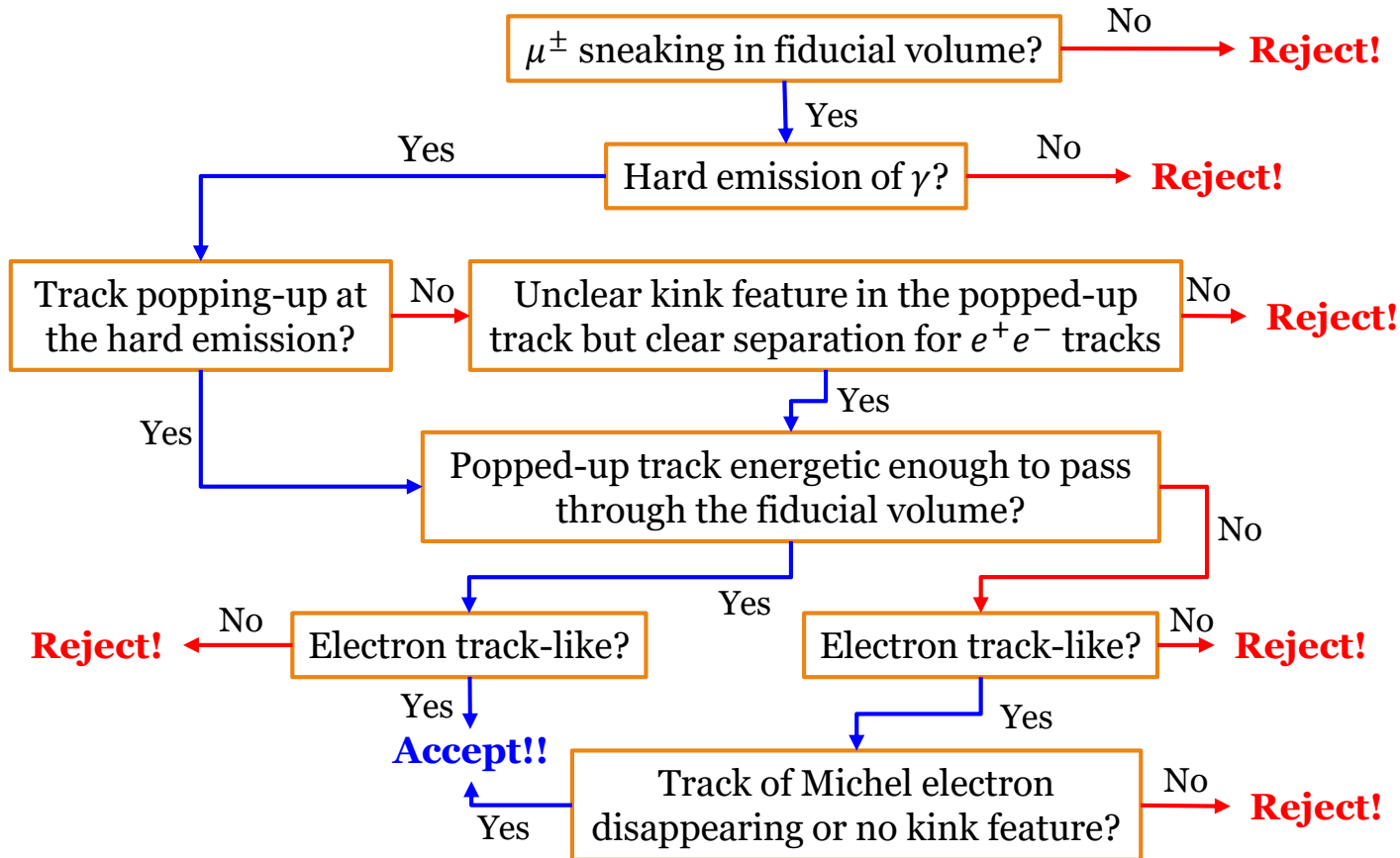


# Fake Signals by Mismeasurements?

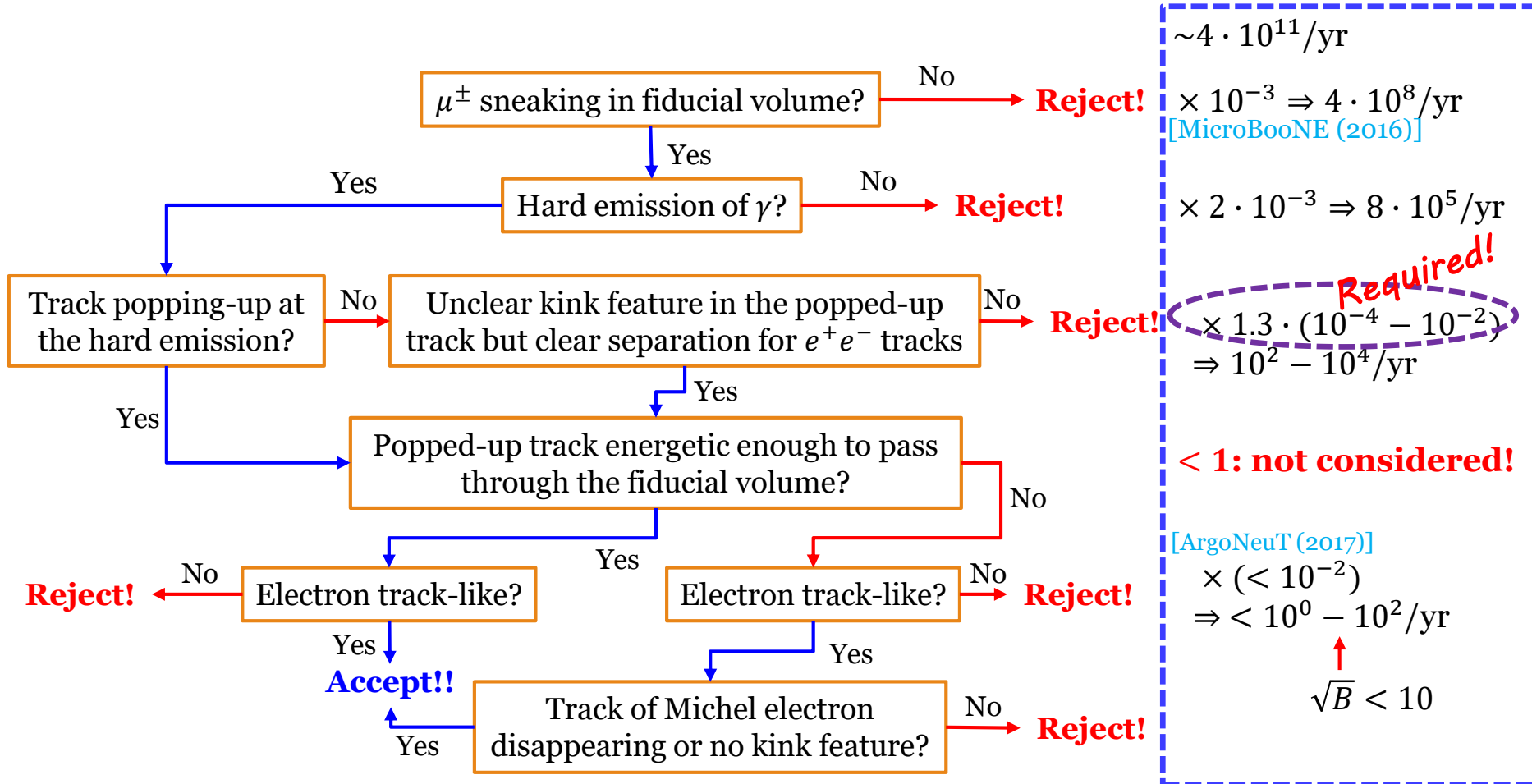
- ❖ The rate of fake *i*BDM signals by mismeasurements may **not be negligible** due to **enormous high-energetic cosmic background**. (e.g., as shown below)



# Conditions to Mimic an *i*BDM Signal



# Conditions to Mimic an $i$ BDM Signal



$$\sim 4 \cdot 10^{11} / \text{yr}$$

$$\times 10^{-3} \Rightarrow 4 \cdot 10^8 / \text{yr}$$

[MicroBooNE (2016)]

$$\times 2 \cdot 10^{-3} \Rightarrow 8 \cdot 10^5 / \text{yr}$$

$$\times 1.3 \cdot (10^{-4} - 10^{-2})$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^2 - 10^4 / \text{yr}$$

**Required!**

**< 1: not considered!**

[ArgoNeuT (2017)]

$$\times (< 10^{-2})$$

$$\Rightarrow < 10^0 - 10^2 / \text{yr}$$

$$\uparrow$$

$$\sqrt{B} < 10$$

# Number of Signal Events

- ❖ **Non-trivial** to find **appropriate parameterizations** for providing **model-independent reaches** due to many parameters involved in the model
- ❖ **Number of signal events**  $N_{\text{sig}}$  is

$$N_{\text{sig}} = \sigma_{\epsilon} \cdot \mathcal{F} \cdot A \cdot t_{\text{exp}} \cdot N_e$$

- ✓  $\sigma_{\epsilon}$ : scattering cross section between  $\chi_1$  (BDM) and electron (target)
  - ✓  $\mathcal{F}$ : flux of incoming (boosted)  $\chi_1$
  - ✓  $A$ : acceptance
  - ✓  $t_{\text{exp}}$ : exposure time
  - ✓  $N_e$ : total number of target electrons
- } **Controllable!** (once a detector is determined)

We factored out the acceptance related to the **distance between the primary (ER) & the secondary vertices**, other factors such as cuts,  $E_{\text{th}}$  are absorbed into  $\sigma_{\epsilon}$ .

# Model-independent Reach

- ❖ **Acceptance** determined by the **distance between the primary & the secondary vertices**
  - ➔ (relatively) **conservative limit** to require **two correlated vertices in the fiducial volumes** (also to be distinguished from elastic scattering)

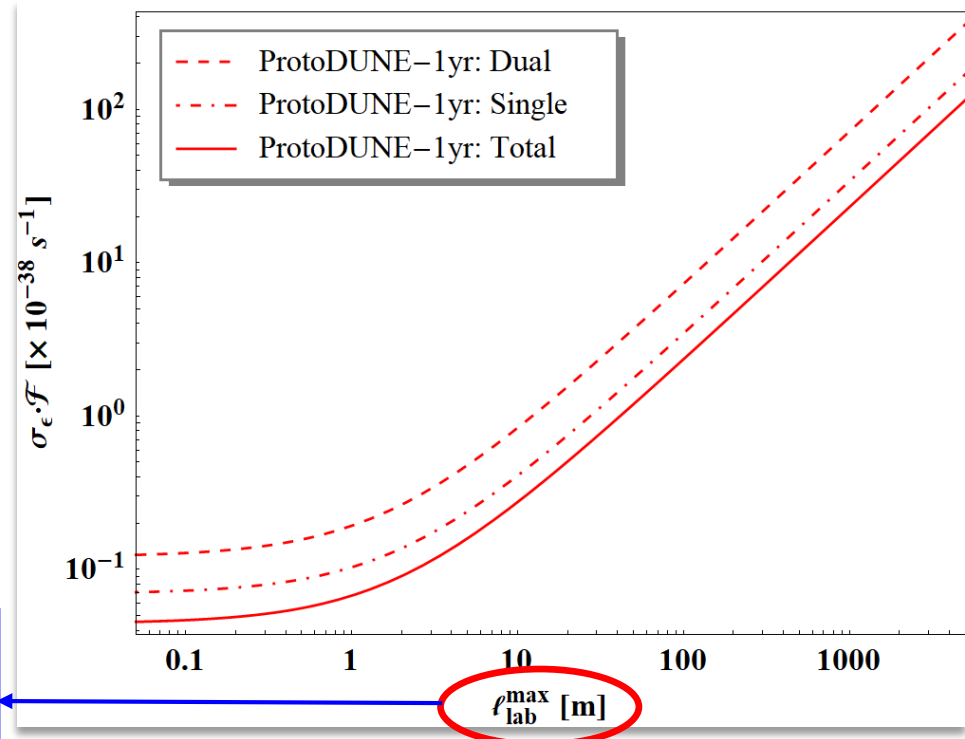
$$\sigma_\epsilon \cdot \mathcal{F} \geq \frac{2.3}{A(\ell_{\text{lab}}) \cdot t_{\text{exp}} \cdot N_e}$$

90% C.L. with zero background

Evaluated for each detector

Calculable given a detector

$\ell_{\text{lab}}$ : different event-by-event, so taking  $\ell_{\text{lab}}^{\text{max}}$  for more conservative limit





# Model-independent Reach: Familiar Form

- ❖ More familiar parameterization is possible with the below modification.

$$\sigma_\epsilon \geq \frac{2.3}{\mathcal{F} \cdot A \cdot t_{\text{exp}} \cdot N_e}$$

$\mathcal{F} \sim \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi_0 \chi_0 \rightarrow \chi_1 \chi_1}}{m_0^2}$

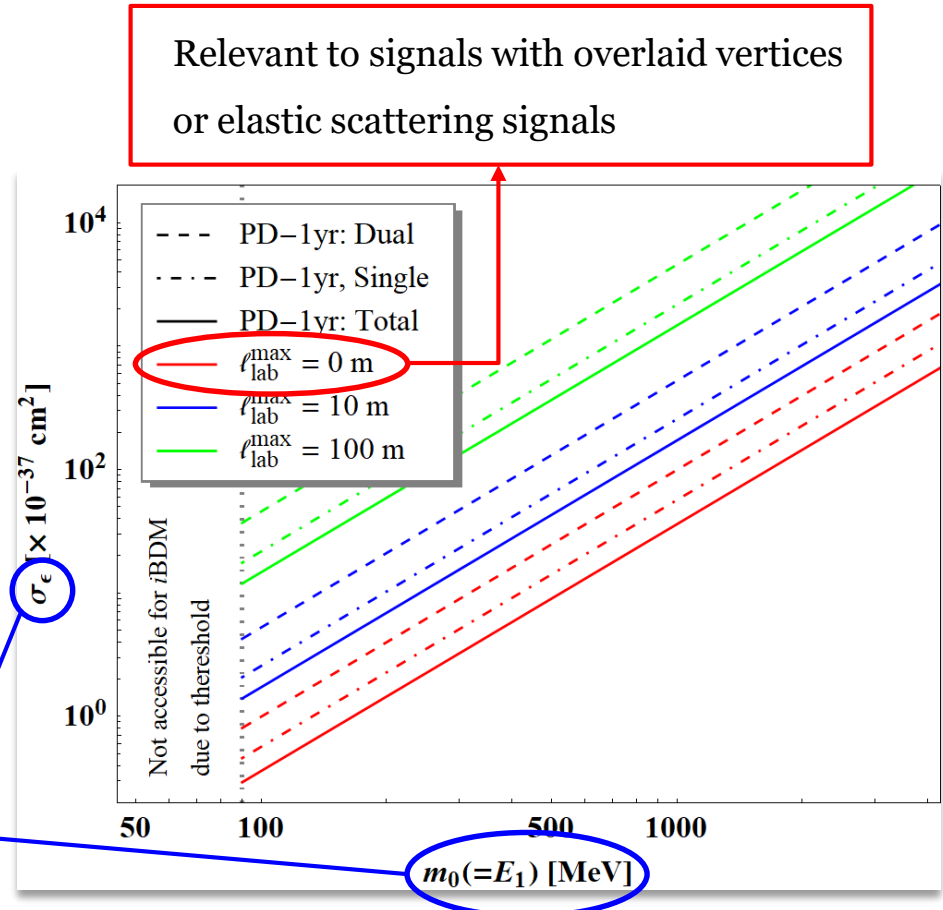
set to be  $5 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$

- ❖ Then having

$$\sigma_\epsilon \text{ vs. } m_0 (= E_1 = \gamma_1 m_1)$$

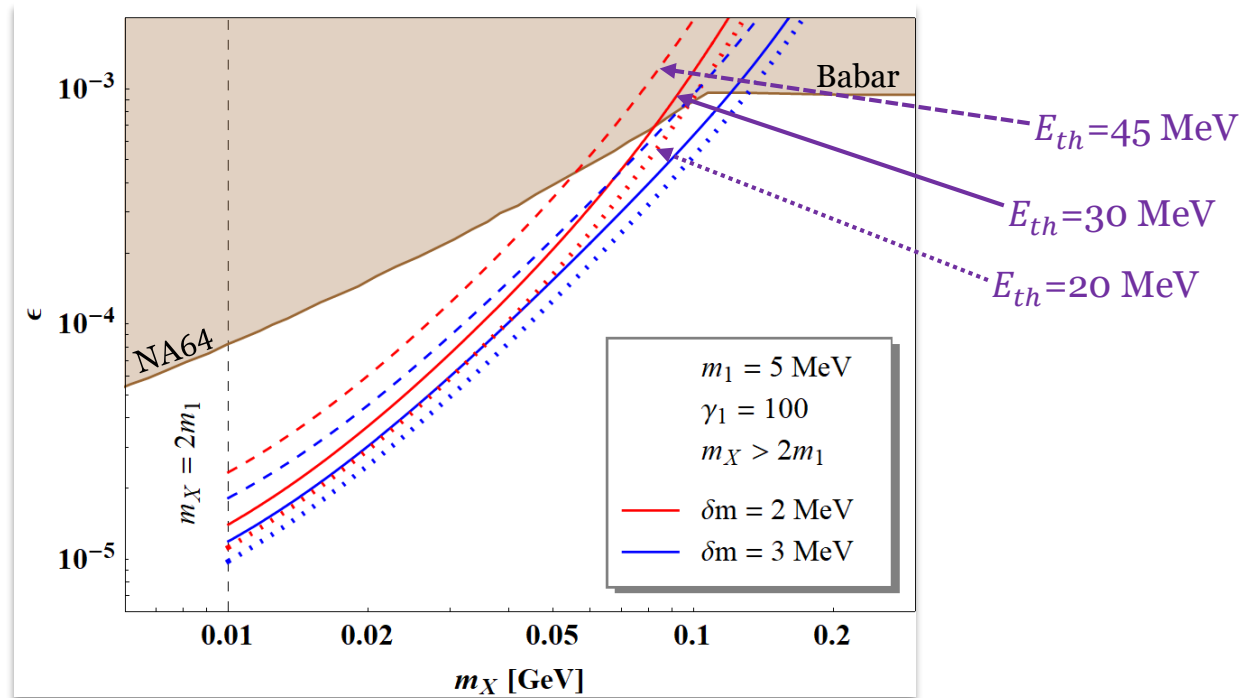
cf.  $\sigma$  vs.  $m_{\text{DM}}$  in conventional WIMP searches

Experimental sensitivity can be represented by  $\sigma_\epsilon$  vs.  $m_0 (= E_1)$ .



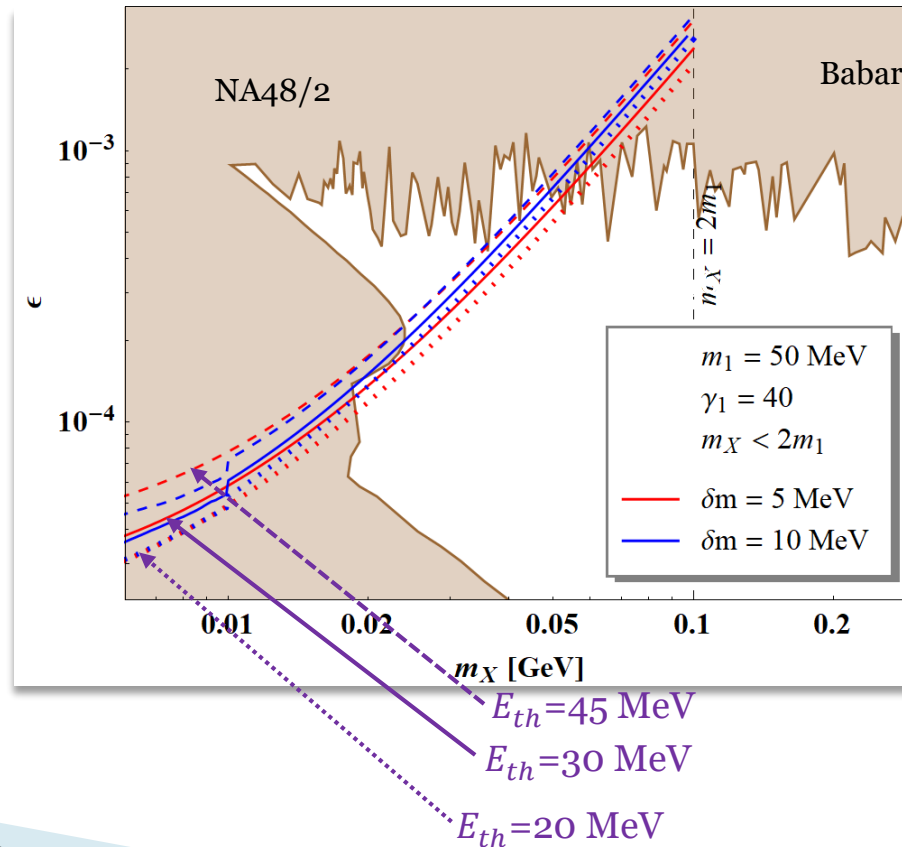
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- ❖ Dark X **invisibly** decays **into DM pairs** ( $m_X > 2m_1$ )
- ❖ 1-year data collection is assumed.



# Dark X Parameter Space: Visible X Decay

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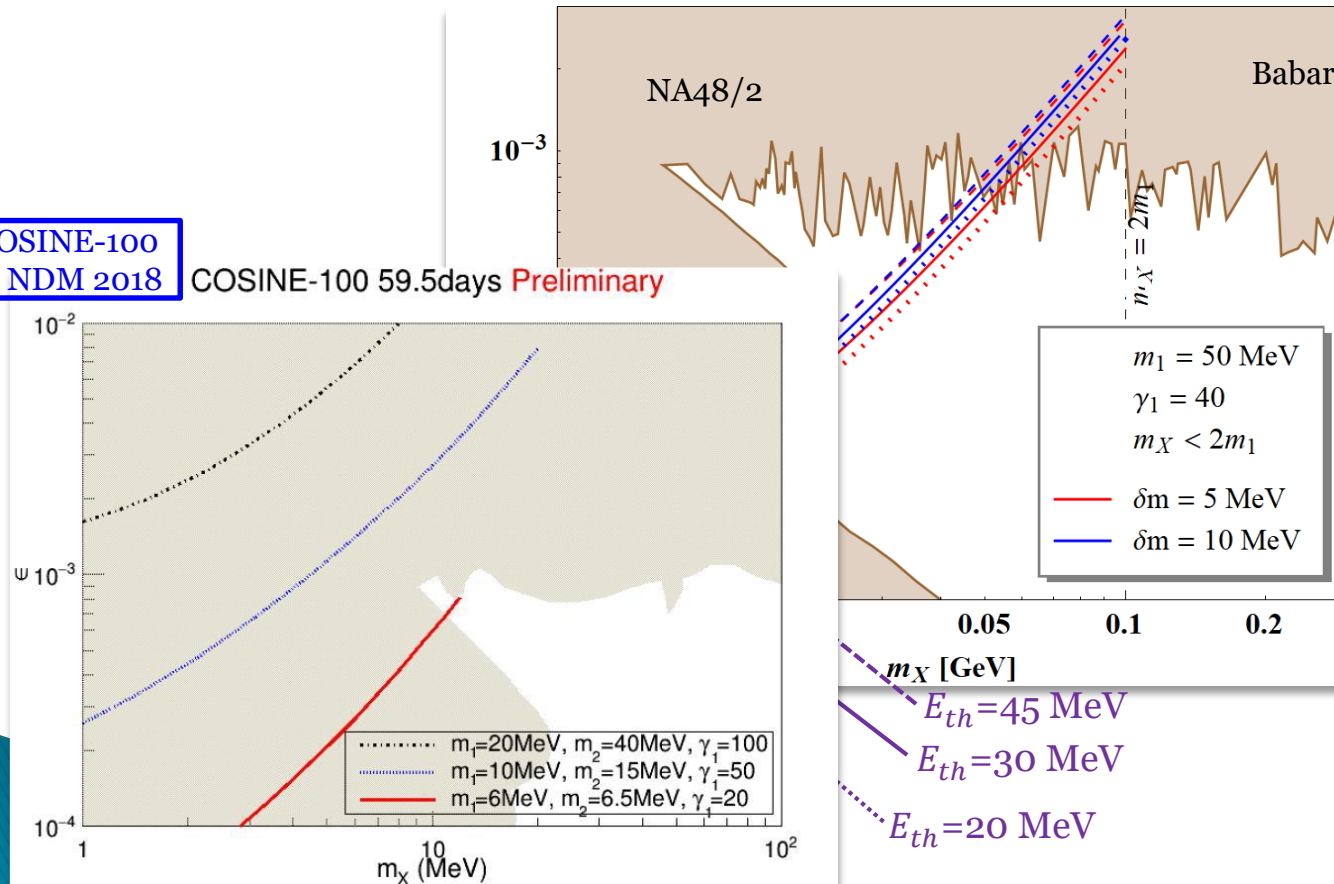


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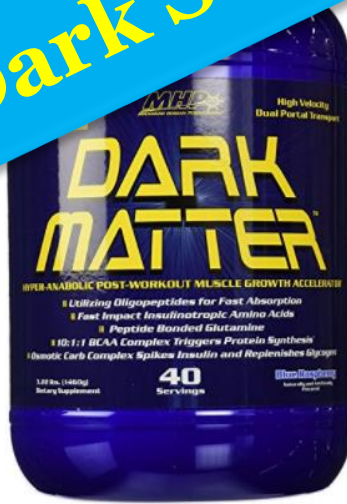
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# Conclusion

$v_{\text{DM}}$ Scattering	<i>non-relativistic</i> ( $v_{\text{DM}} \ll c$ )	<i>relativistic</i> ( $v_{\text{DM}} \sim c$ )
<b>elastic</b>	Direct detection	Boosted DM (eBDM)
<b><i>inelastic</i></b>	inelastic DM (iDM)	<b>inelastic BDM (iBDM)</b> → <b>Focus of this talk!</b>

- (light) BDM search is **promising** & provides a **new direction** to study DM phenomenology.
- Huge **cosmic-ray BG** can be **well controlled** due to **fruitful signal signatures**.
- **ProtoDUNE** possesses **excellent sensitivities** to a wide range of (light) BDM
  - ➔ allows a **deeper understanding** in **non-minimal dark sector** physics.
- **ProtoDUNE** can provide **alternative avenue** to probe **dark photon** parameter space.
- **ProtoDUNE** provide potentially a **realistic guideline** for new physics searches at DUNE.

# Thank you

# Back-Up

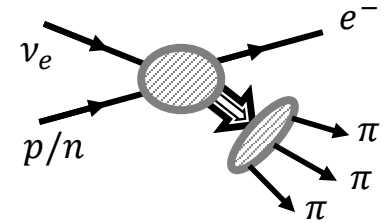


# Potential BGs: Neutrinos

Table 4.3: Atmospheric neutrino event rates including oscillations in 350 kt · year with a LArTPC, fully or partially contained in the detector fiducial volume.

Sample	Event Rate
fully contained electron-like sample	14,053
fully contained muon-like sample	20,853
partially contained muon-like sample	6,871

~**40.2**/yr/kt: may contain multi-track events



[DUNE CDR-Vol.2 (2015)]

	SK-I		SK-II		SK-III		SK-IV	
	Data	MC	Data	MC	Data	MC	Data	MC
FC sub-GeV single-ring e-like								
0-decay	2992	2705.4	1573	1445.4	1092	945.3	2098	1934.9
1-decay	301	248.1	172	138.9	118	85.3	243	198.4
π <sup>0</sup> -like	176	160.0	111	96.3	58	53.8	116	96.2
μ-like								
0-decay	1025	893.7	561	501.9	336	311.8	405	366.3
1-decay	2012	1883.0	1037	1006.7	742	664.1	1833	1654.1
2-decay	147	130.4	86	71.3	61	46.6	174	132.2
2-ring π <sup>0</sup> -like	524	492.8	266	259.8	182	172.2	380	355.9
FC multi-GeV single-ring								
ν <sub>e</sub> -like	191	152.8	79	78.4	68	54.9	156	135.9
$\bar{\nu}_e$ -like	665	656.2	317	349.5	206	231.6	423	432.8
μ-like	712	775.3	400	415.7	238	266.4	420	554.8
multi-ring								
ν <sub>e</sub> -like	216	224.7	143	121.9	65	81.8	175	161.9
$\bar{\nu}_e$ -like	227	219.7	134	121.1	80	72.4	212	179.1
μ-like	603	640.1	337	337.0	228	231.4	479	499.0

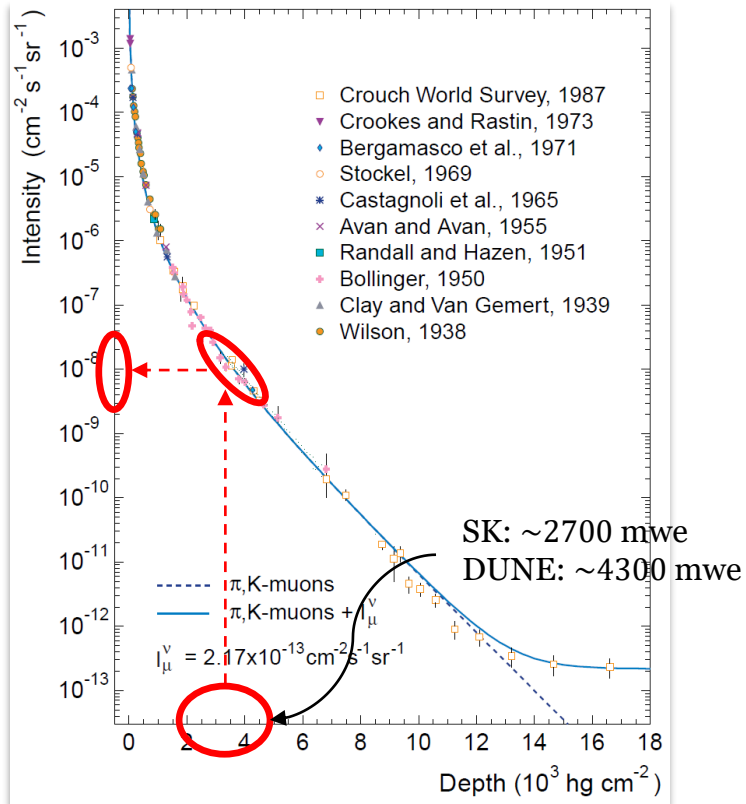
[Super-Kamiokande (2012)]

Single-track candidates: **32.4** + **8.8** = **41.2** /yr/kt, while total e-like events are 49.9 /yr/kt. (Note that SK takes e-like events with  $E > \sim 10$  MeV.)  
 ⇒ Potential **BGs for elastic scattering signal (eBDM)** events

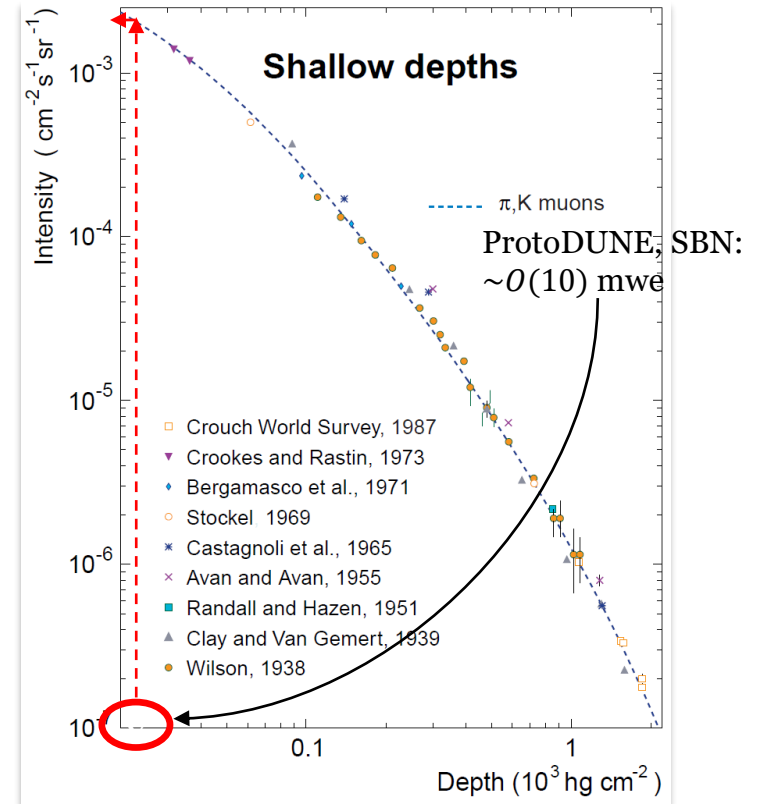
Multi-track candidates: **5.2** /yr/kt  
 ⇒ Most extra tracks come from mesons which can be identified at LArTPC.  
 ⇒ Very likely to be **background-free for inelastic scattering signal (iBDM)** events

# Potential BGs: High E Muons

❖ Expecting  $\sim 10^{5-6}$  more muon flux at ProtoDUNE/SBN than that at SK/DUNE.

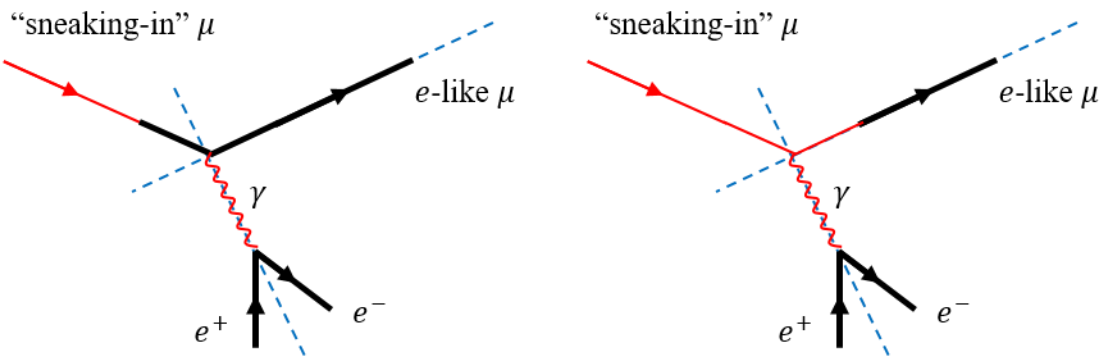


[Bugaev et al. (1998)]

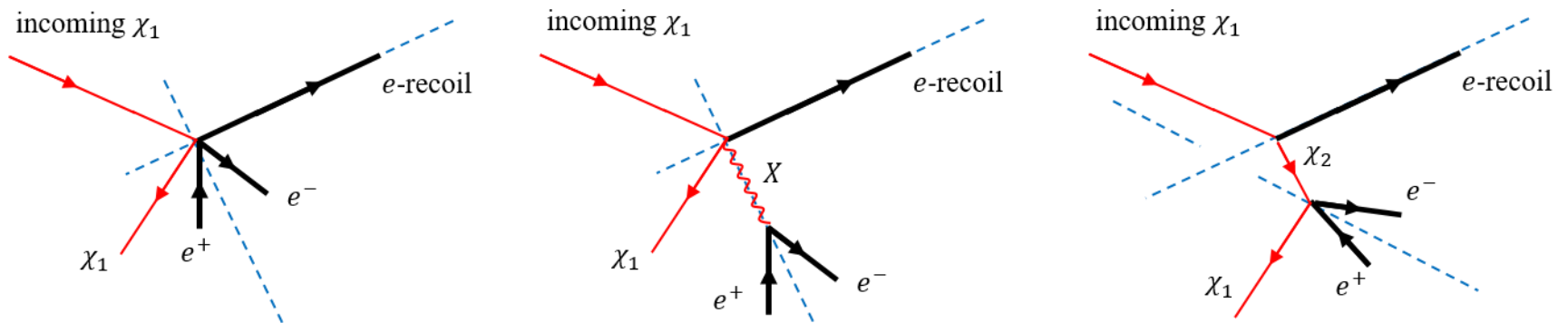


# Possible Event Shapes (iBDM)

(a)  $\mu$ -induced background event shapes

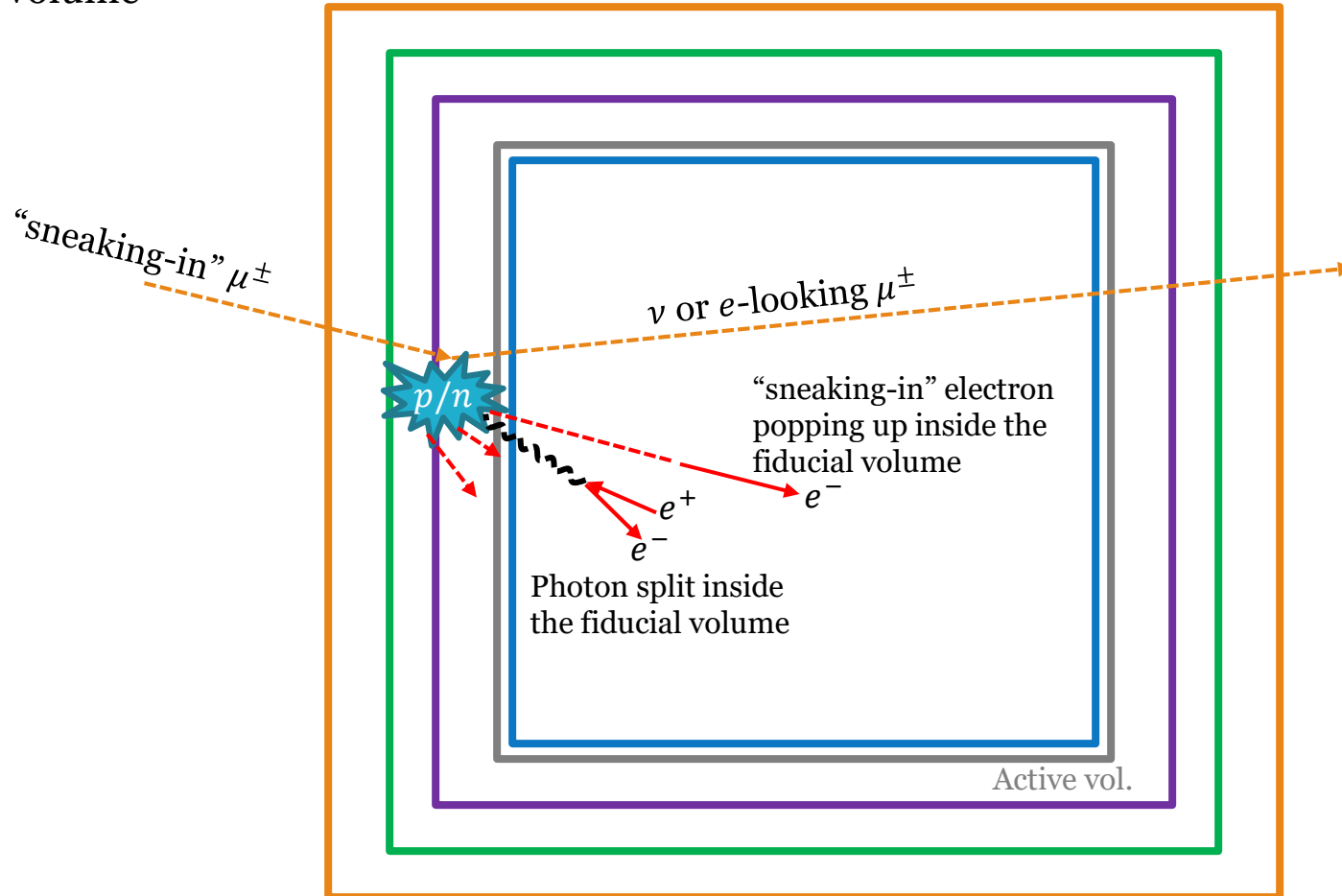


(b) Signal event shapes



# Fake Signals by Mismeasurements?

- ❖ Deep inelastic scattering (DIS) of energetic cosmic-muon with a nucleon within the passive volume



# Conditions to Mimic an *i*BDM Signal

0. Muon flux above 5 GeV

1. DIS with a nucleon (p/n)

$$N_{\text{event}} \sim (\text{DIS cross section}) \times (\text{muon flux}) \times (1 \text{ year}) \\ \times (\text{number of nucleons inside the passive volume}) \\ \sim 2 \cdot 10^5/\text{yr}$$

2. Photon split inside the fiducial volume after traveling more than  $\sim 35$  cm in Liquid Ar

3. Electron “sneak-in” and pops up inside the fiducial volume

4. Incoming muon not leaving a visible track inside the active volume

$$\sim 10^{11}/\text{yr}$$



$$\sim 2 \cdot 10^5/\text{yr}$$

[ArgoNeuT (2017)]

$$\times (< 5 \cdot 10^{-3}) \\ \Rightarrow < 10^3/\text{yr}$$

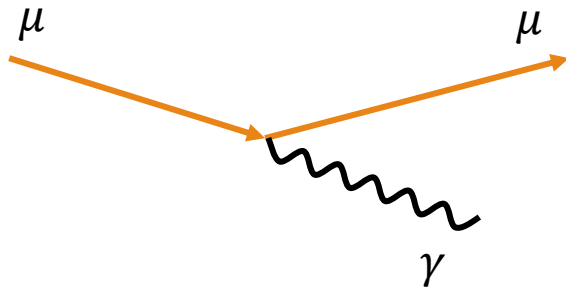
$$\times (< 10^{-3}) \Rightarrow < 1/\text{yr}$$

[MicroBooNE (2016)]

$$\times (\ll 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \ll 1/\text{yr}$$

# Hard Emission of a Photon

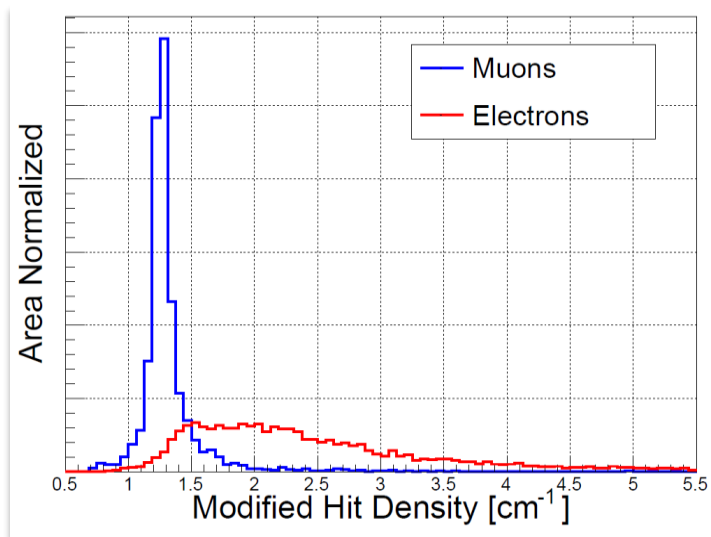


$$\sim \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \approx 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

Phase-space suppression factor

# Electron-Faking Muon

- ❖ All known studies simply report that a negligible rate of muons are misidentified as electrons. But “How Negligible?”
- ❖ A hint from an example study: [ArgoNeut, arXiv:1610.04102]c



↑ If cut here, ~8% of the fake rate

- ❖ This is too large to be true, because
  - Other criteria discriminate more,
  - ~7% contamination from  $\gamma$  sample (i.e.,  $e$  vs.  $\gamma$ ) is reported, whereas  $e$  vs.  $\mu$  is simply stated negligible.
- ❖ Nevertheless, a very conservative estimate of fake rate is  $10^{-2}$ .

# Detection of BDM

❖ Flux of boosted  $\chi_1$  near the earth

$$\mathcal{F}_{\chi_1} \propto \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi_0 \chi_0 \rightarrow \chi_1 \chi_1}}{m_0^2}$$

← from the number density of DM  $\chi_0$ ,  $n_0 = \rho_0 / m_0$

❖ Setting  $\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi_0 \chi_0 \rightarrow \chi_1 \chi_1} \sim 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and assuming the NFW DM halo profile,

one can obtain  $\mathcal{F}_{\chi_1} \sim 10^{-6 \sim 8} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  for  $\chi_0$  of weak-scale mass,  $m_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(10\text{-}100 \text{ GeV})$ .

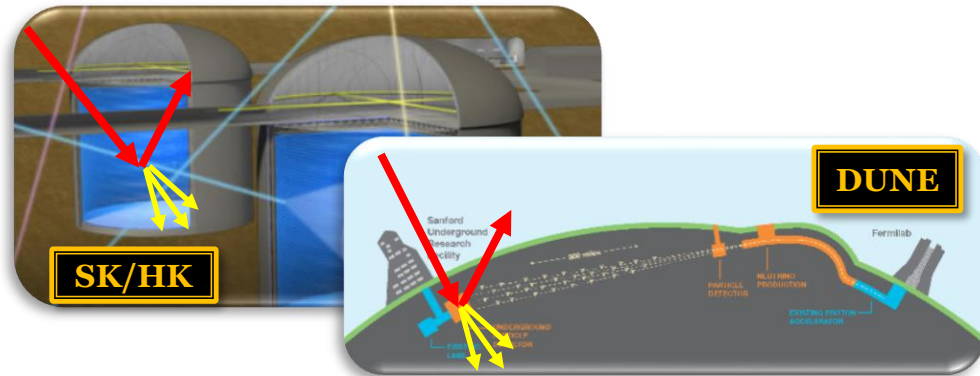
❖ **Low flux** → **No sensitivity** in conventional DM direct detection experiments

→ **Large volume (neutrino) detectors**

**motivated:** Super-/Hyper-K, DUNE, ...

❖ Sources

- ✓ **GC:** Agashe et al. (2014); Necib et al. (2016); Alhazmi, Kong, Mohlabeng, **JCP** (2016); etc.
- ✓ **Sun:** Berger et al. (2014); Kong, Mohlabeng, **JCP** (2014); Alhazmi, Kong, Mohlabeng, **JCP** (2016); etc.
- ✓ **Dwarf galaxies:** Necib et al (2016)



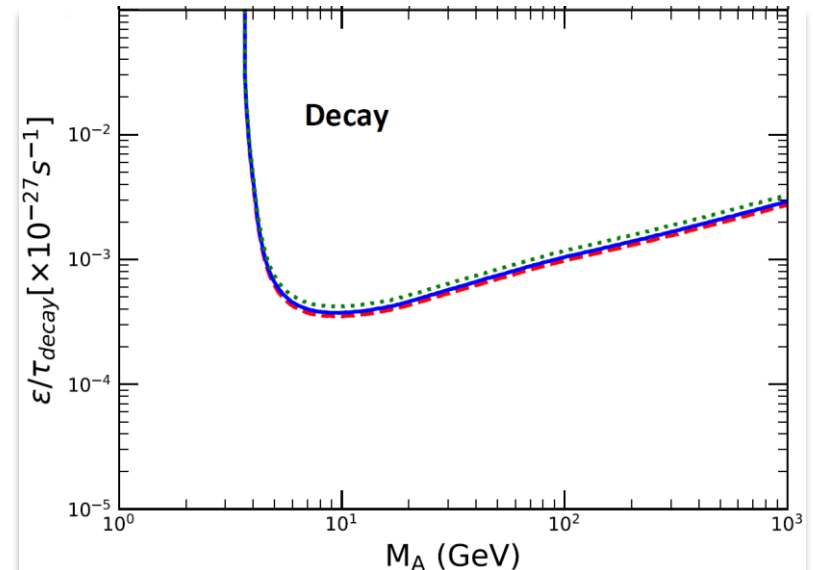
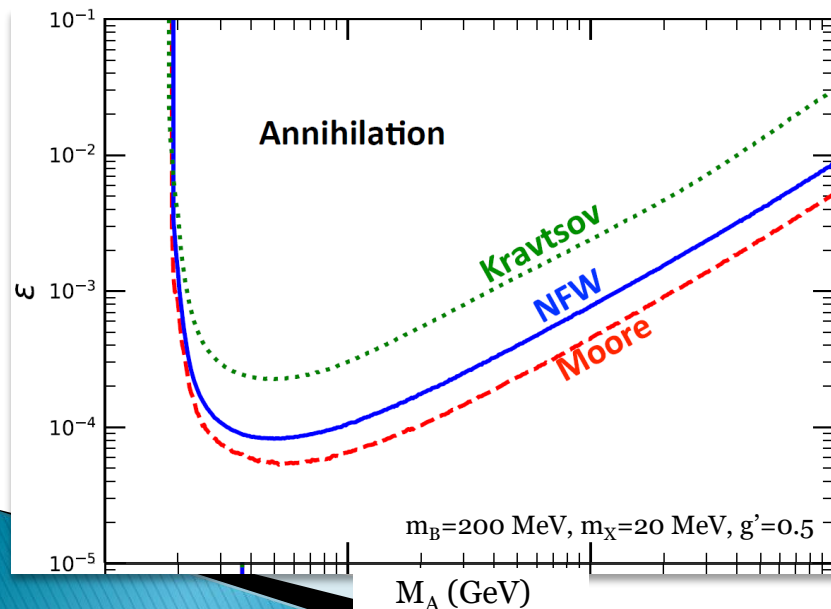


# SK eBDM Search Results

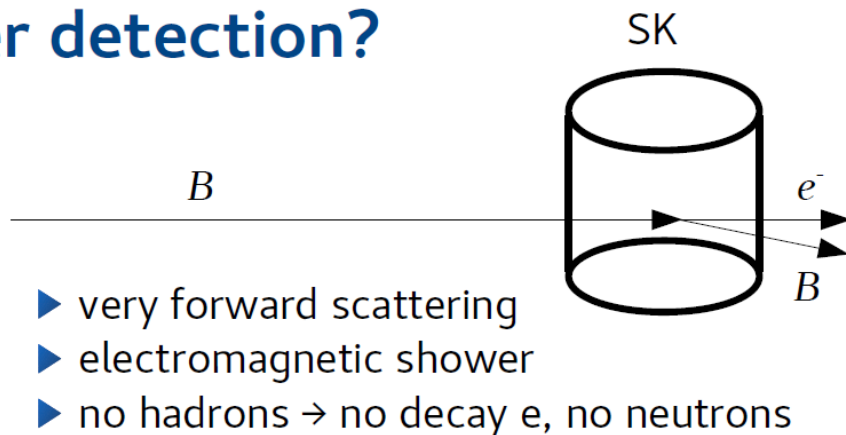
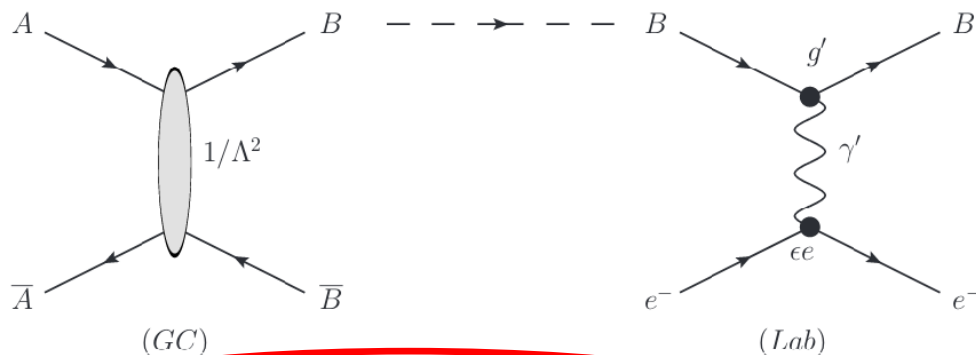
## Search for Boosted Dark Matter Interacting With Electrons in Super-Kamiokande

(Dated: November 16, 2017)

A search for boosted dark matter using 161.9 kiloton-years of Super-Kamiokande IV data is presented. We search for an excess of elastically scattered electrons above the atmospheric neutrino background, with a visible energy between 100 MeV and 1 TeV, pointing back to the Galactic Center or the Sun. No such excess is observed. Limits on boosted dark matter event rates in multiple angular cones around the Galactic Center and Sun are calculated. Limits are also calculated for a baseline model of boosted dark matter produced from cold dark matter annihilation or decay.

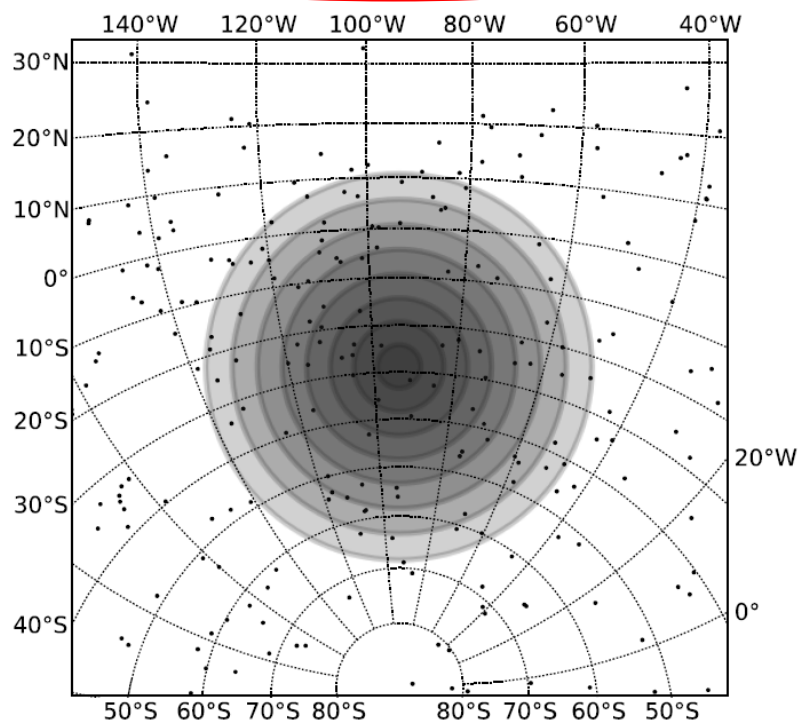


# (In)direct dark matter detection?



- ▶ very forward scattering
- ▶ electromagnetic shower
- ▶ no hadrons  $\rightarrow$  no decay  $e$ , no neutrons

Cone search: 8 cones from  $5^\circ$  to  $40^\circ$  around GC  
 ▶ No clusters visible



Limit for  $m_{\gamma'} = 20$  MeV

