

Dark Sectors at Direct Detection Experiments

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*but similar story for other experiments

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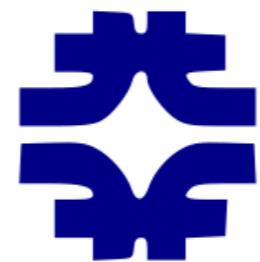
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Sub-Electron-Noise Skipper CCD Experimental Instrument

- fully-depleted 200 micrometer silicon CCD detector
- 4126 x 866 pixels
- operated at 140K
- currently at 1 gram, proposed to 100 grams
- skipper technology: measure charge/pixel multiple times



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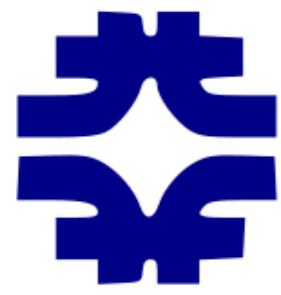


Fermilab



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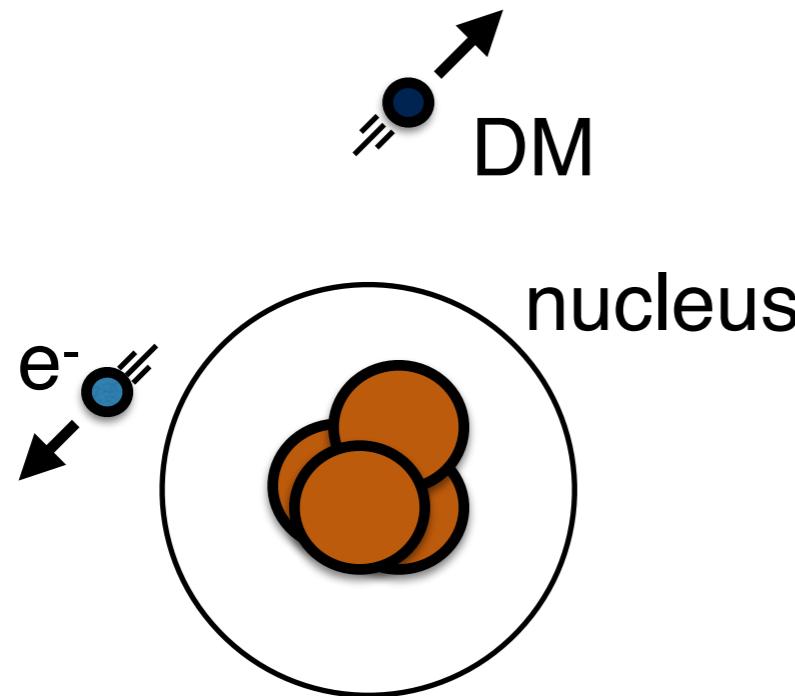


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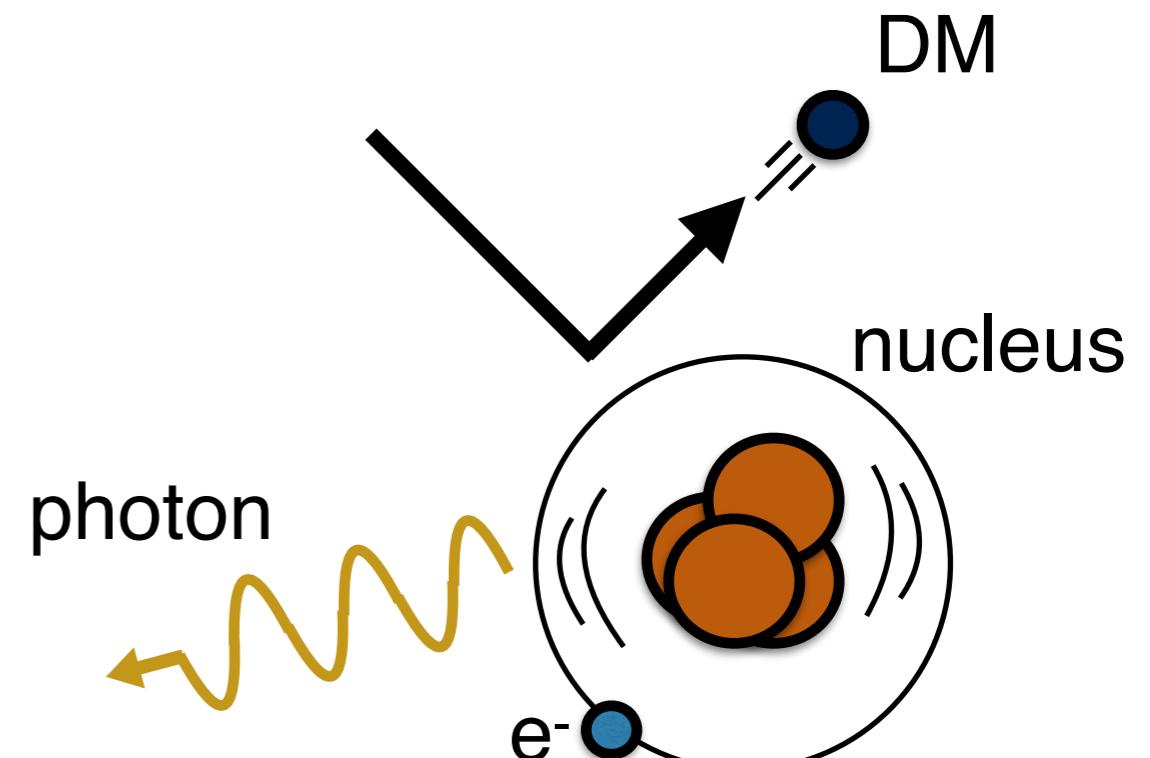
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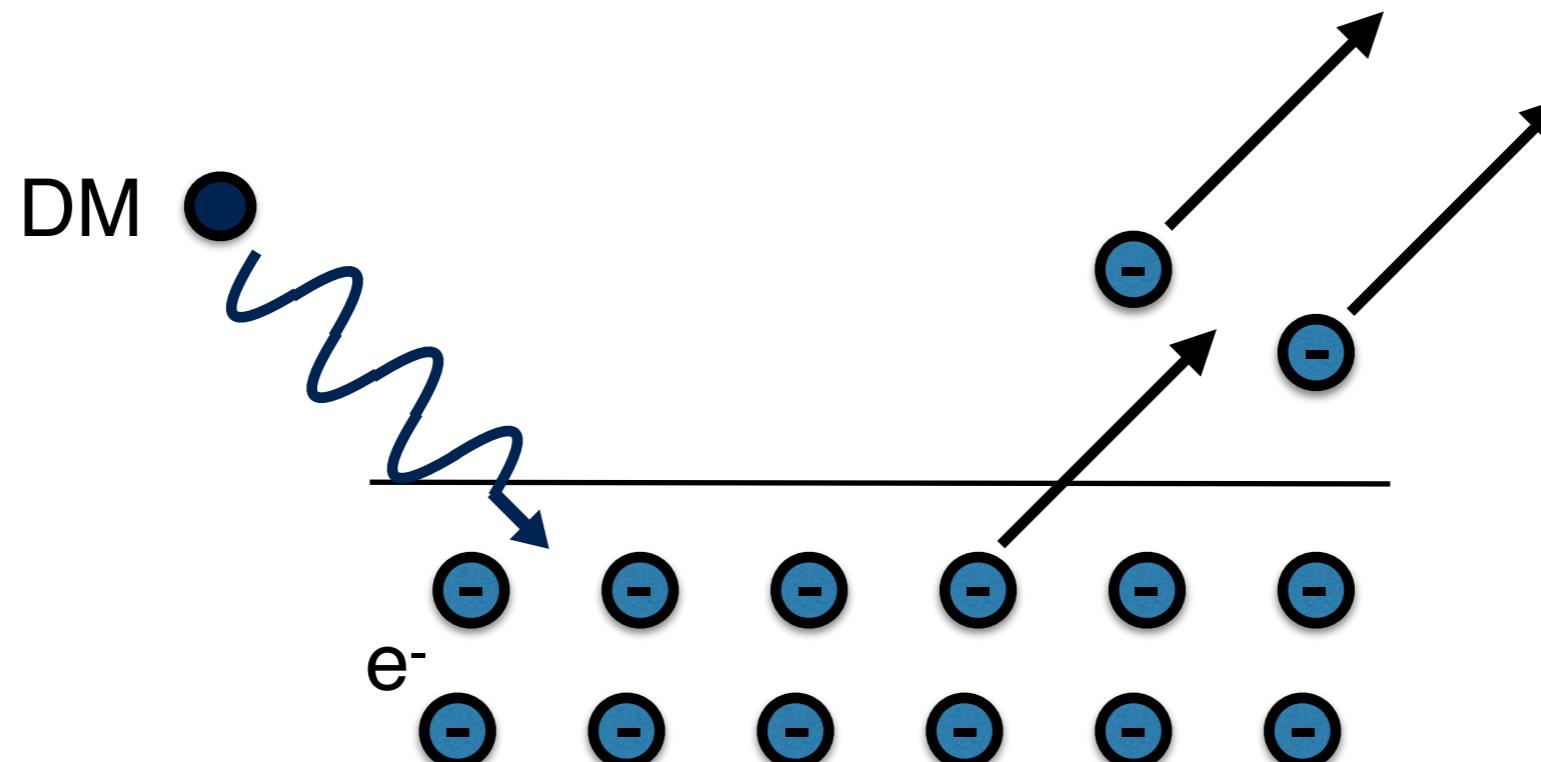




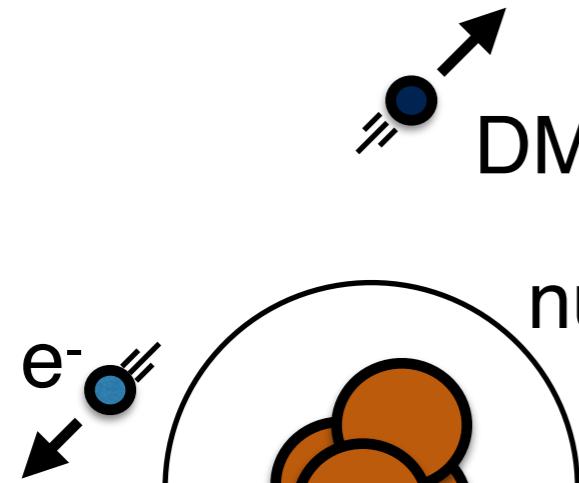
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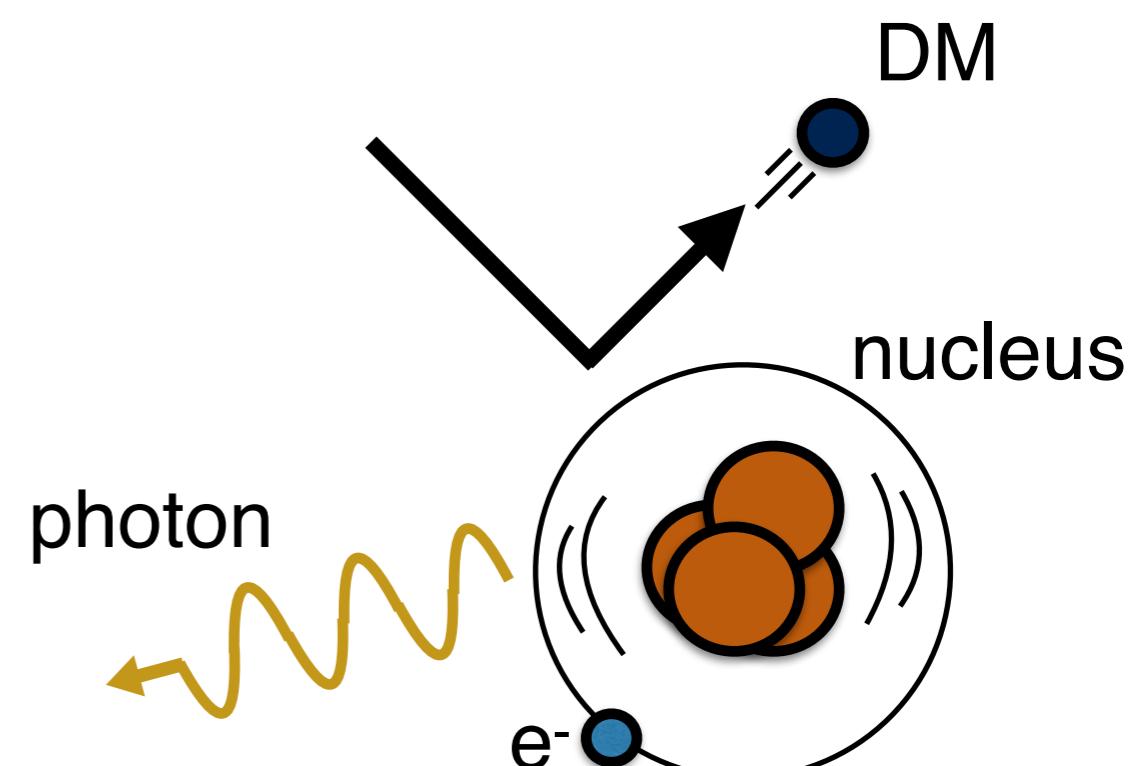
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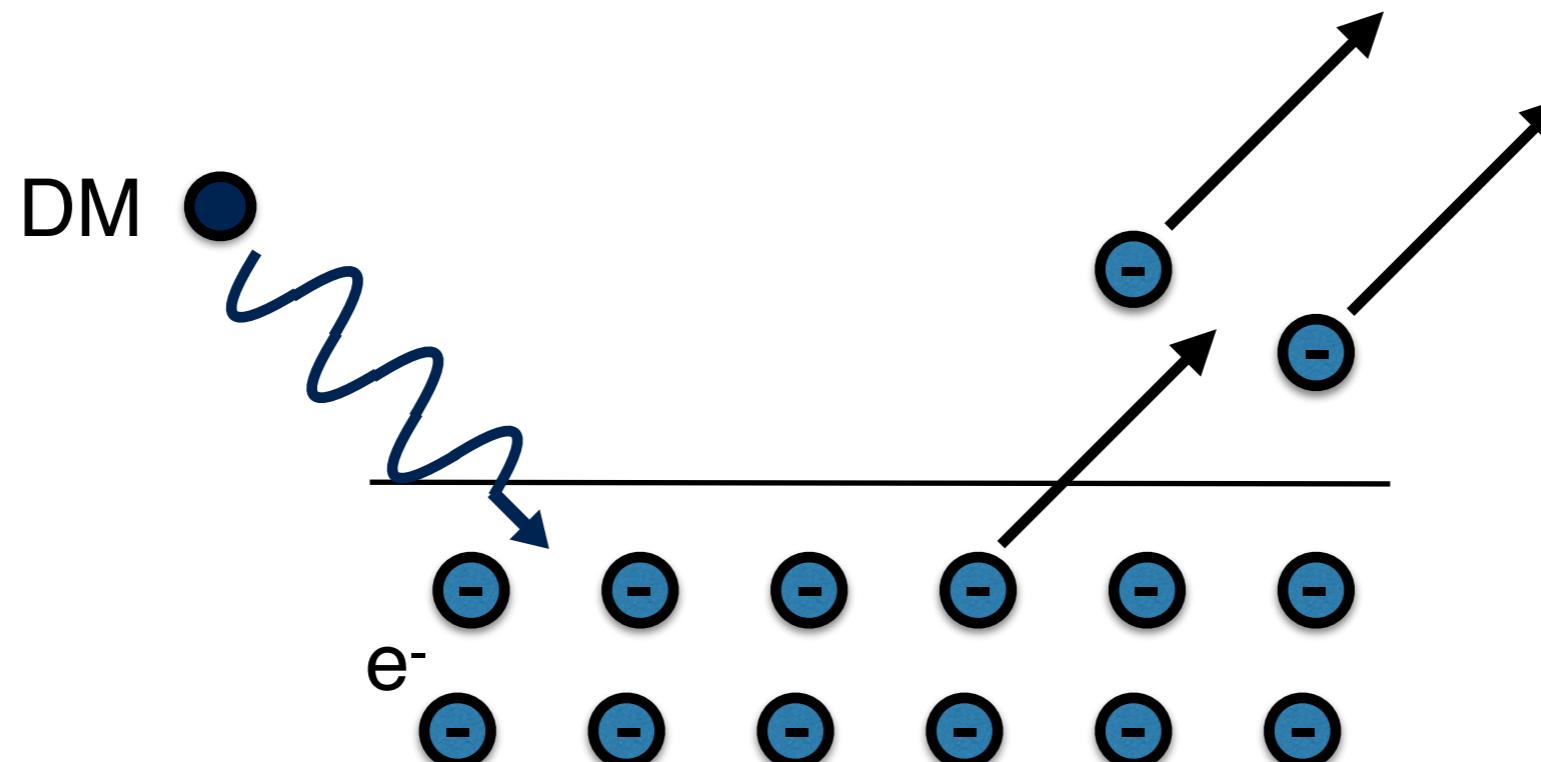
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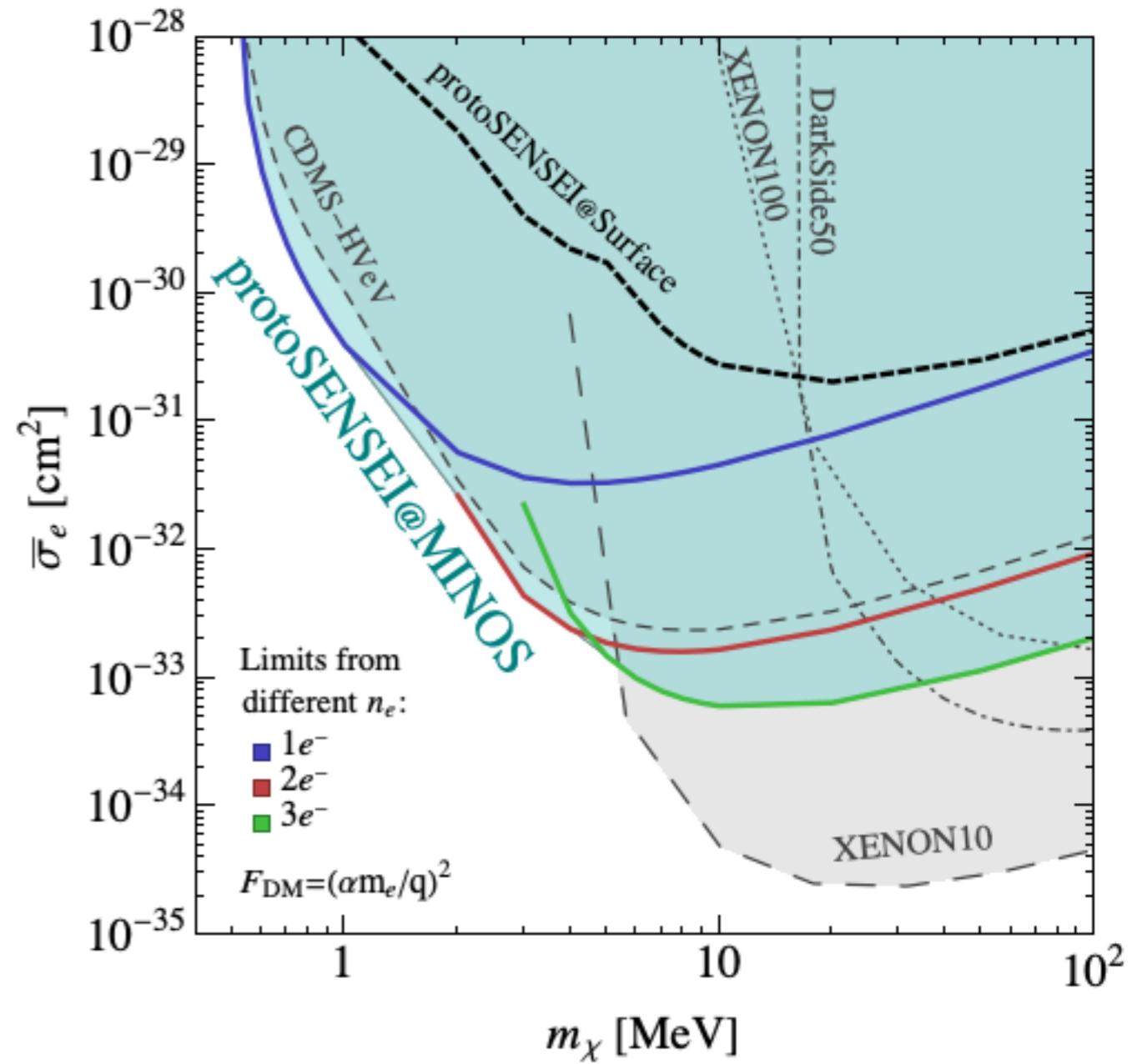
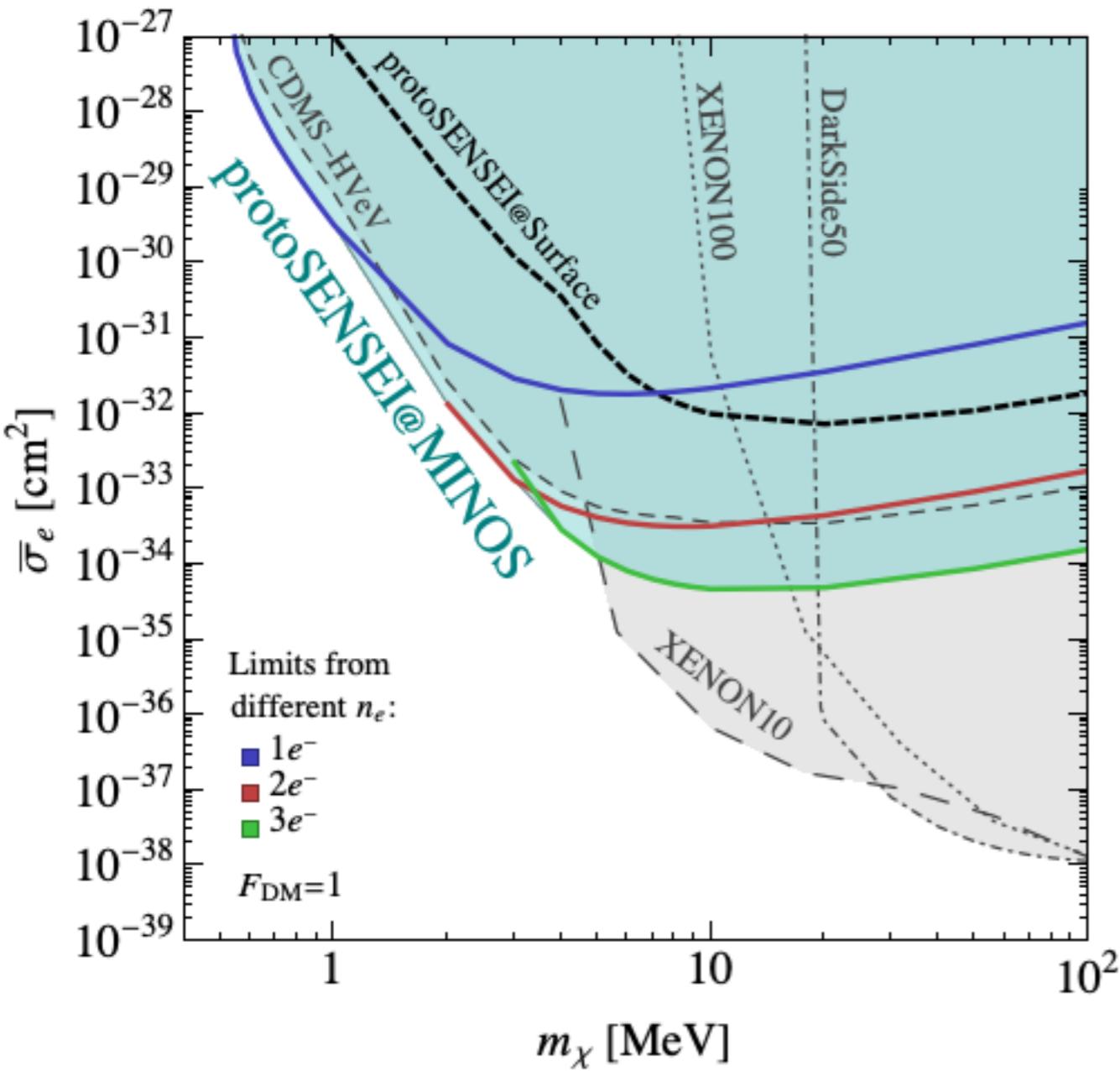


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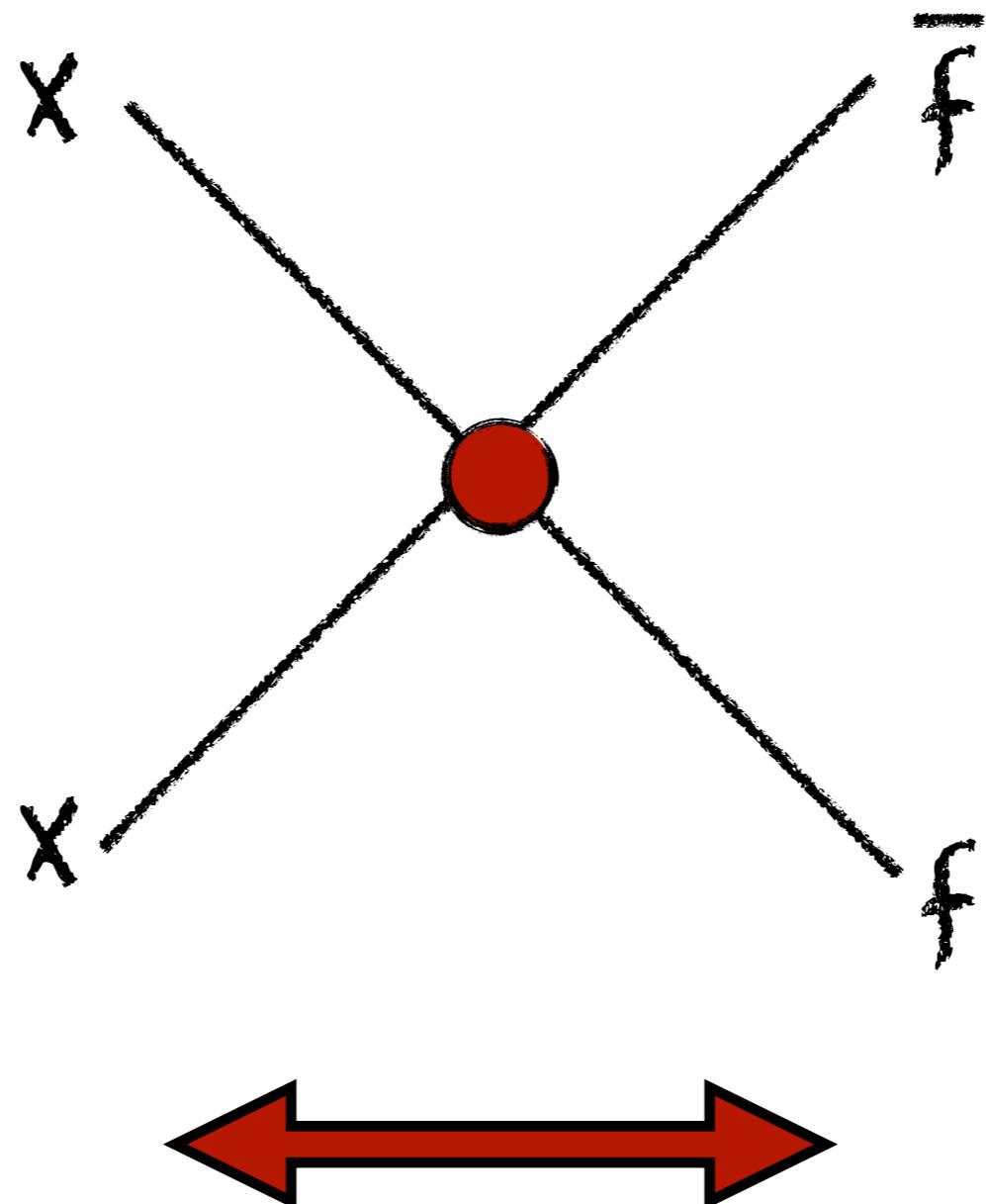
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sub-GeV DM



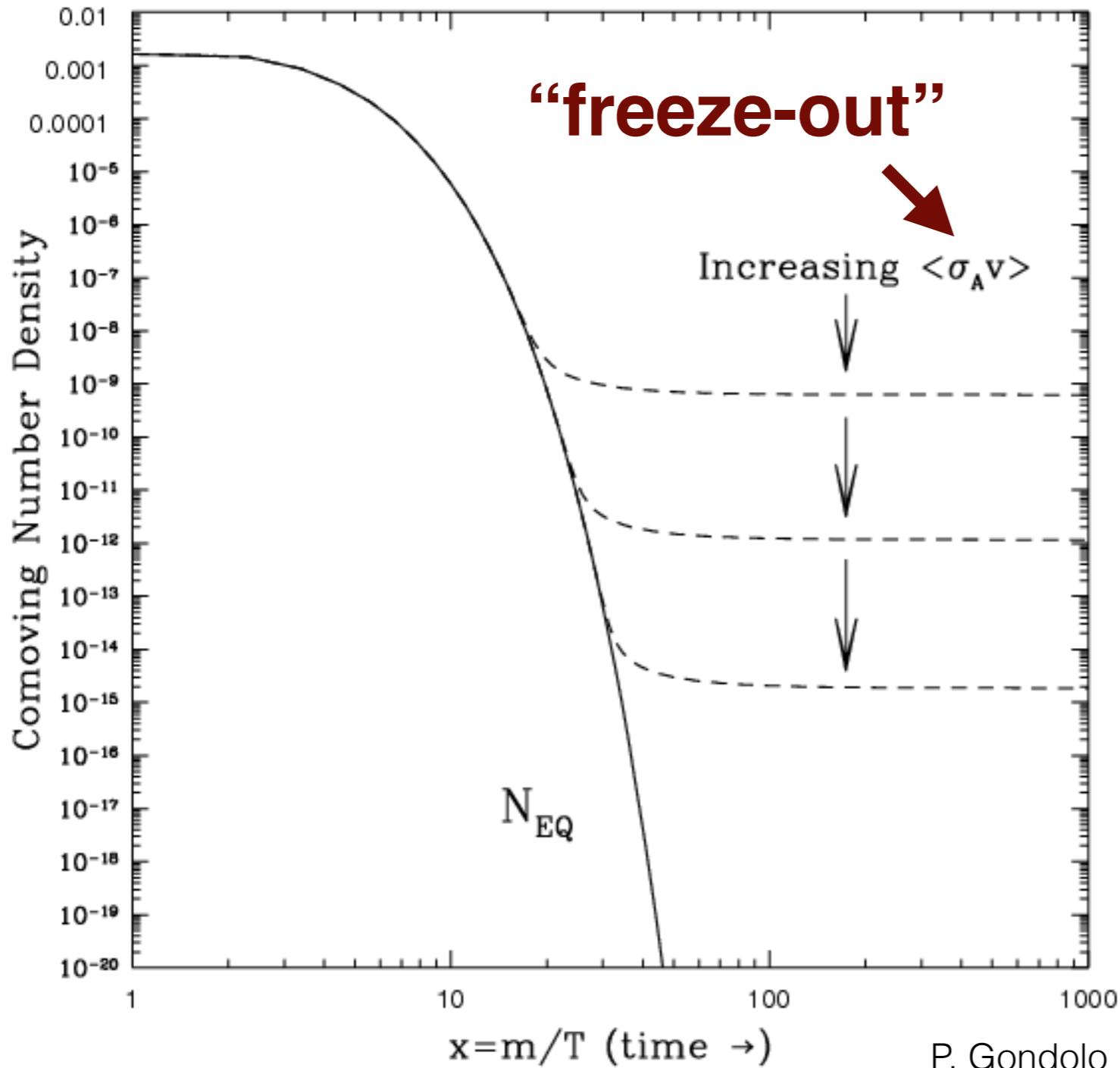
0.246 gram-days with prototype

WIMP miracle



thermal equilibrium

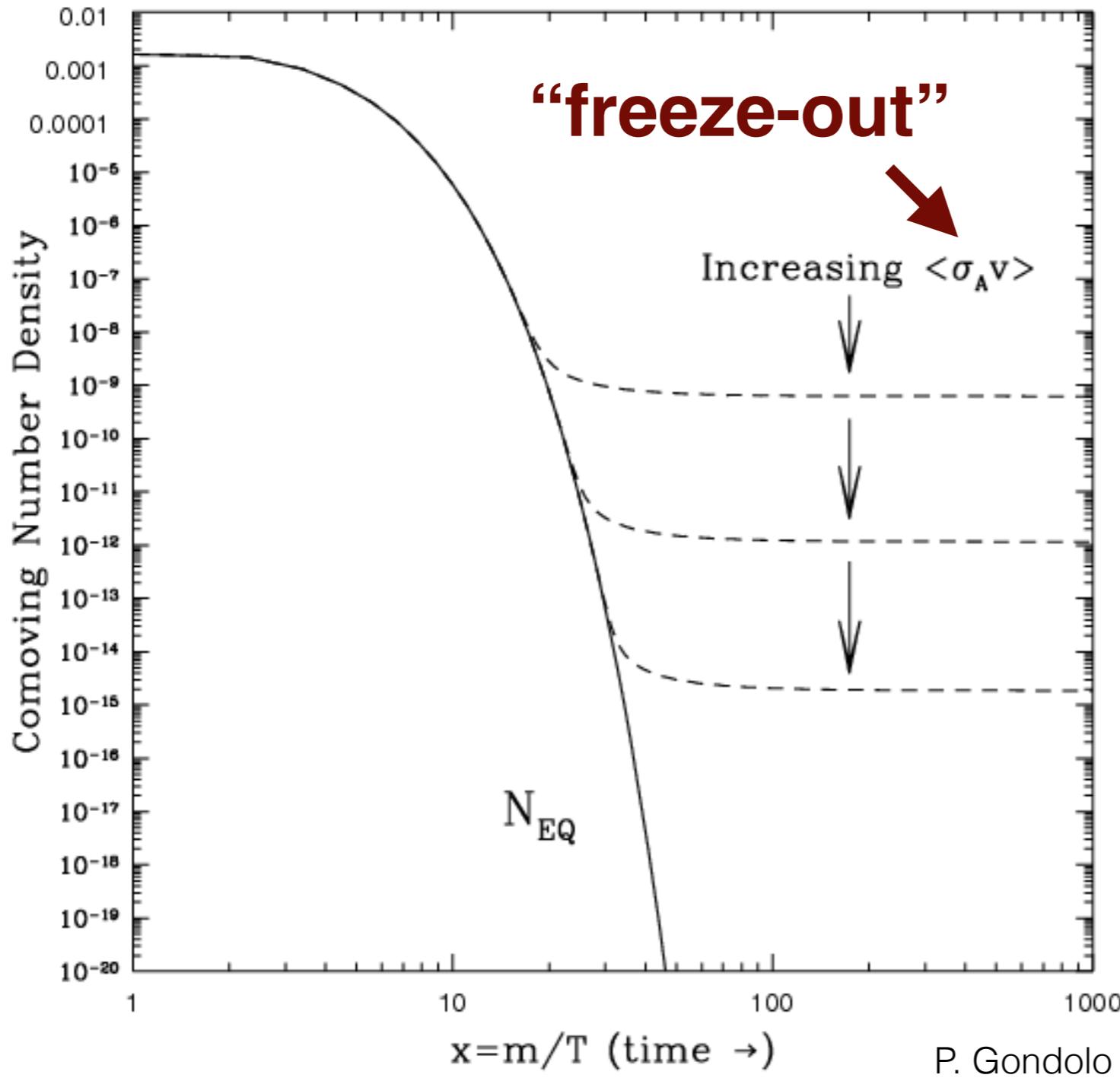
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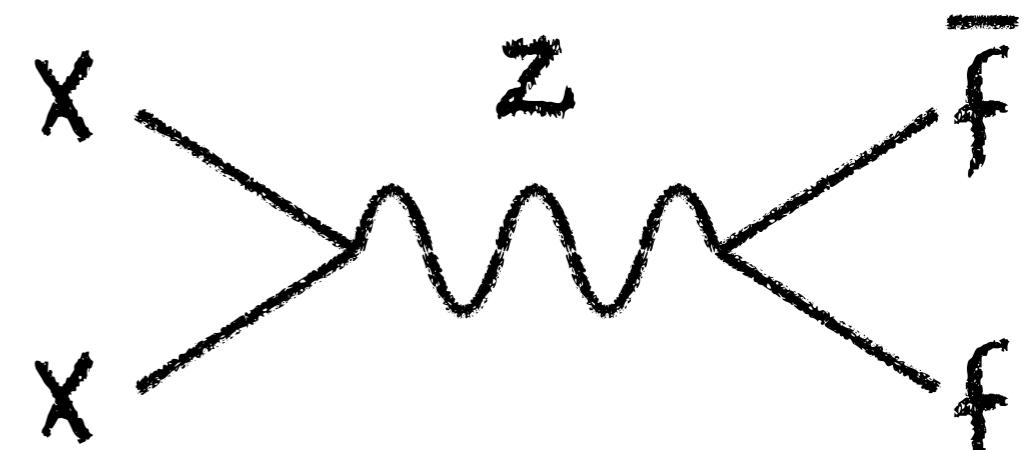
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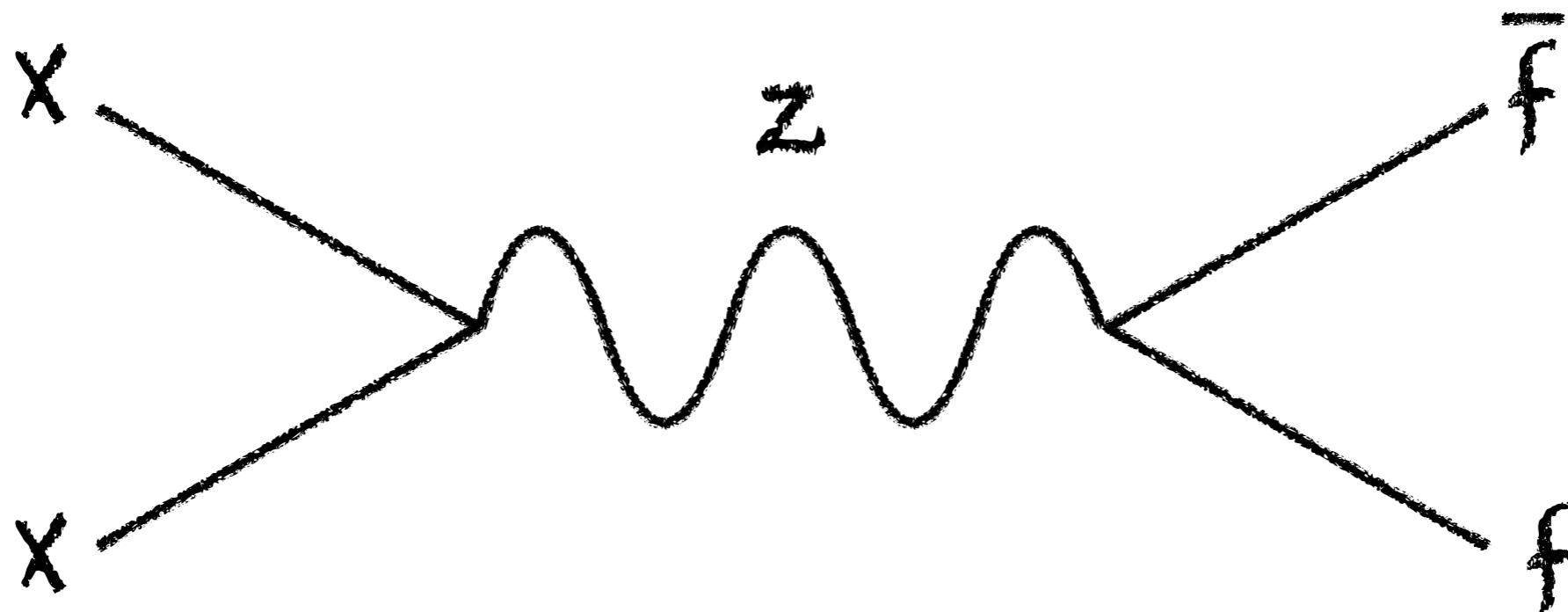
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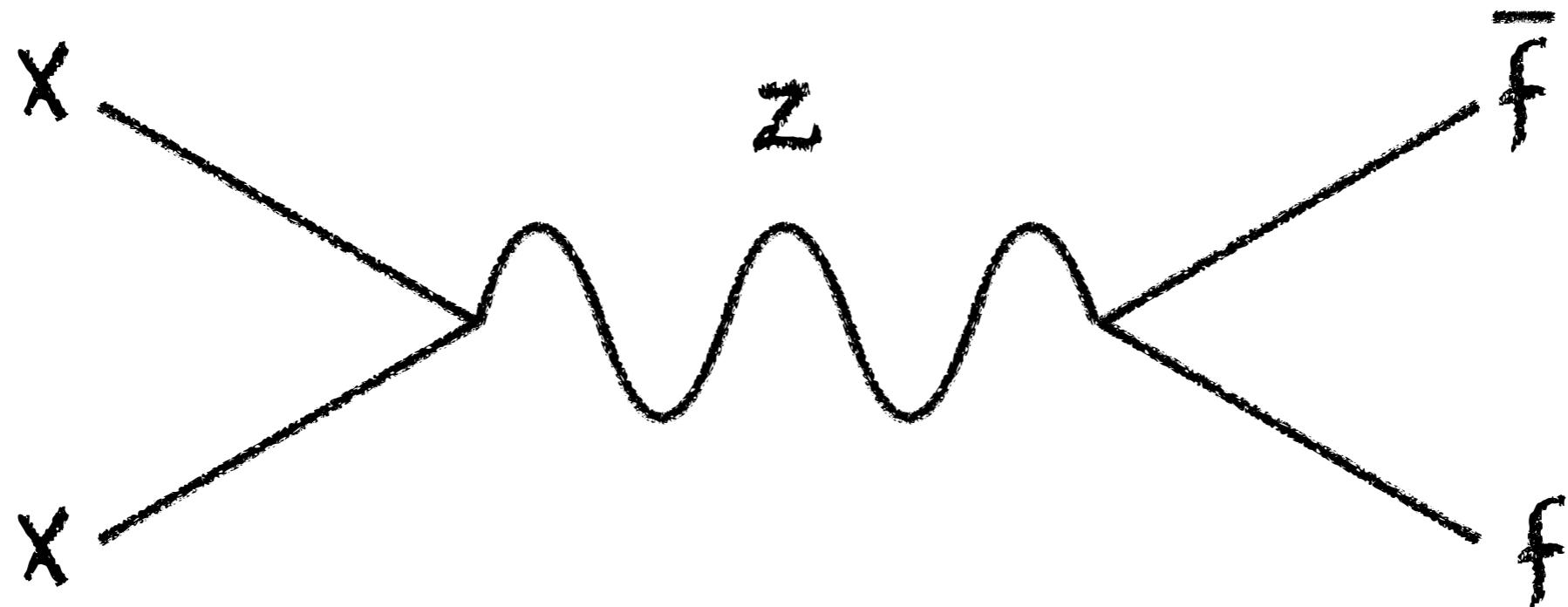


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B. W. Lee and S. Weinberg, Phys. Rev. Lett. 39, 165 (1977)

E.W. Kolb and K. Olive, Phys.Rev. D34 (1986) 2531

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Way out: have **new light boson** that mediates the interaction

Boehm and Fayet [hep-ph/0305261]

Pospelov et al [0711.4866]

Dark Photon

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_W \times U(1)_Y \times U(1)_X$$

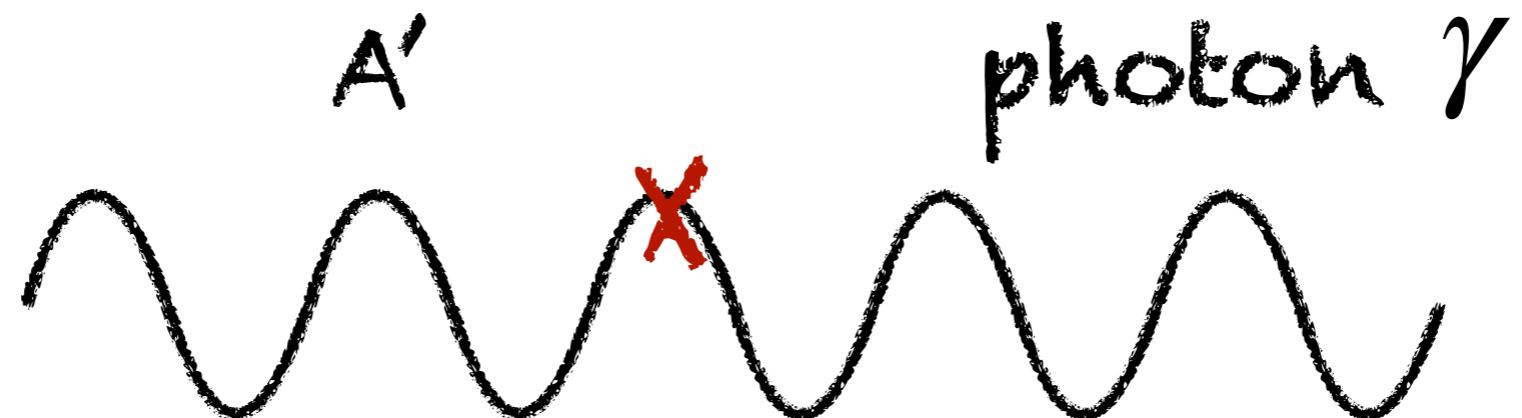
$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4} F'^{\mu\nu} F'_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\epsilon}{2} F^{\mu\nu} F'_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_{A'} A'^{\mu} A'_{\mu}$$

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kinetic mixing

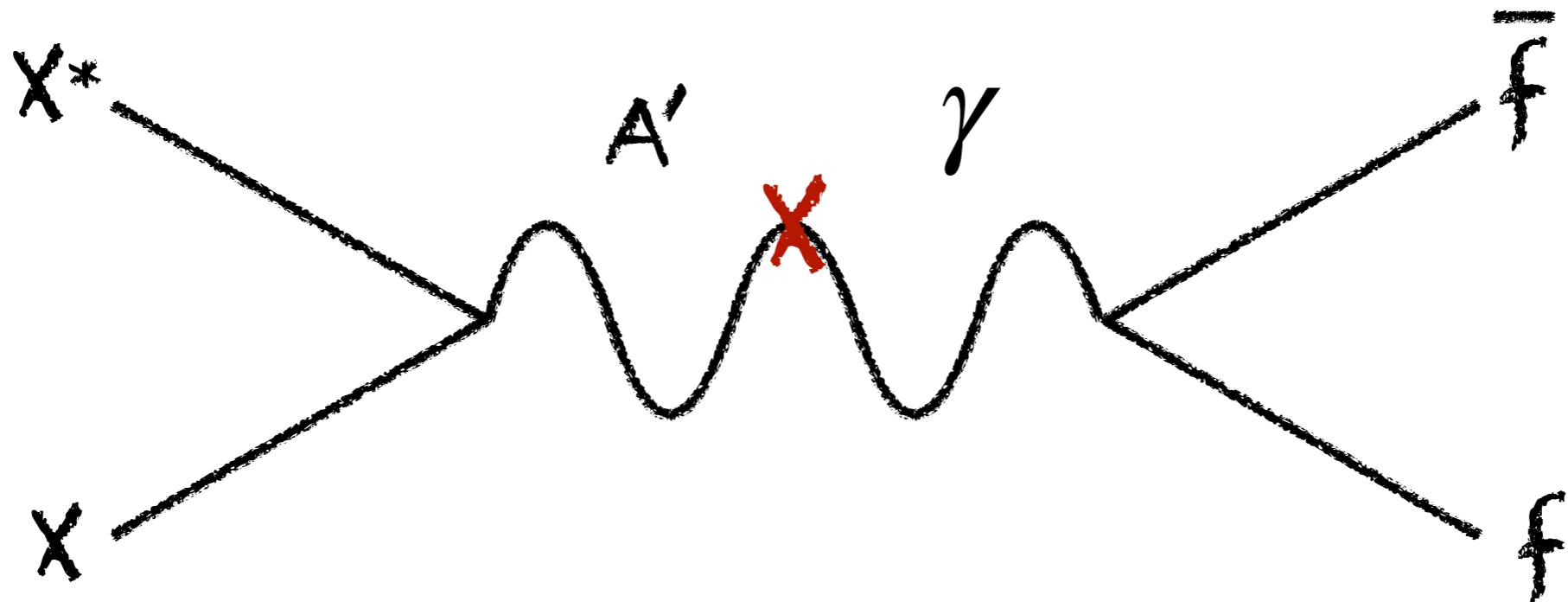
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Thermal Scalar

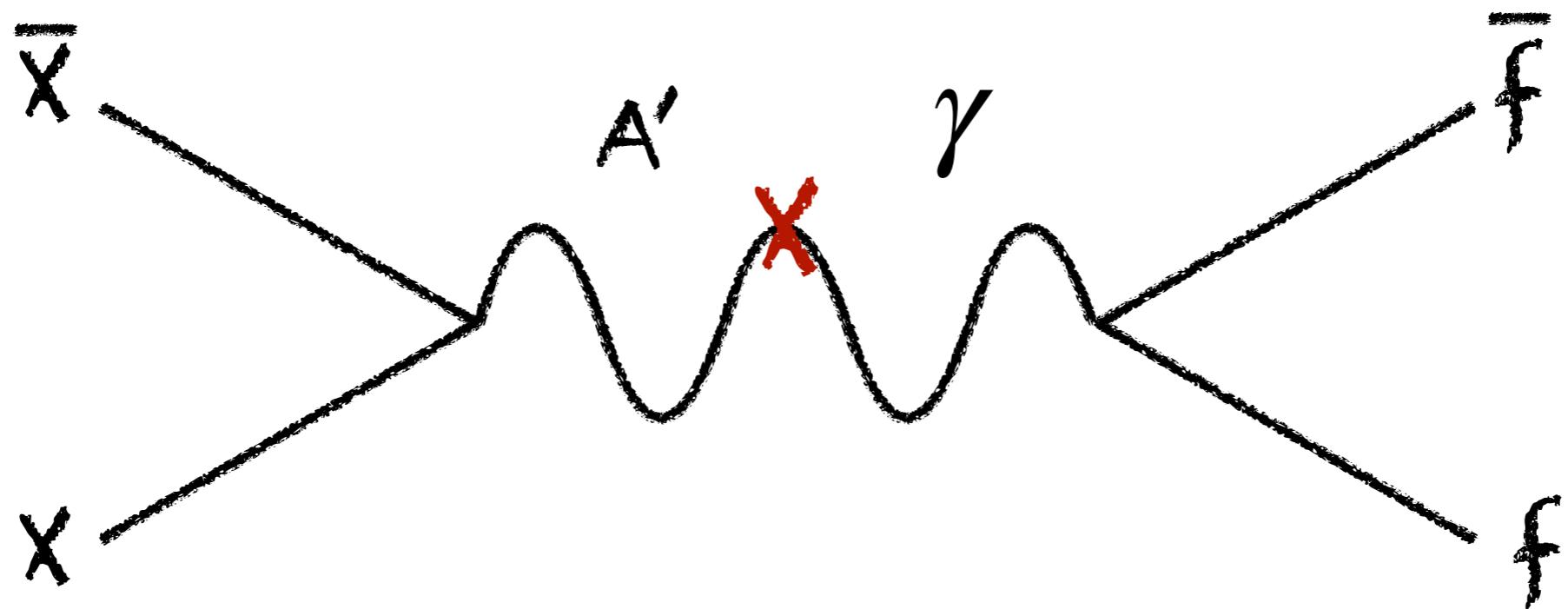


$$m_{A'} > 2m_\chi$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle \sim \frac{\alpha \alpha_D \epsilon^2}{m_{A'}^4}$$

CMB constraints → scalar DM

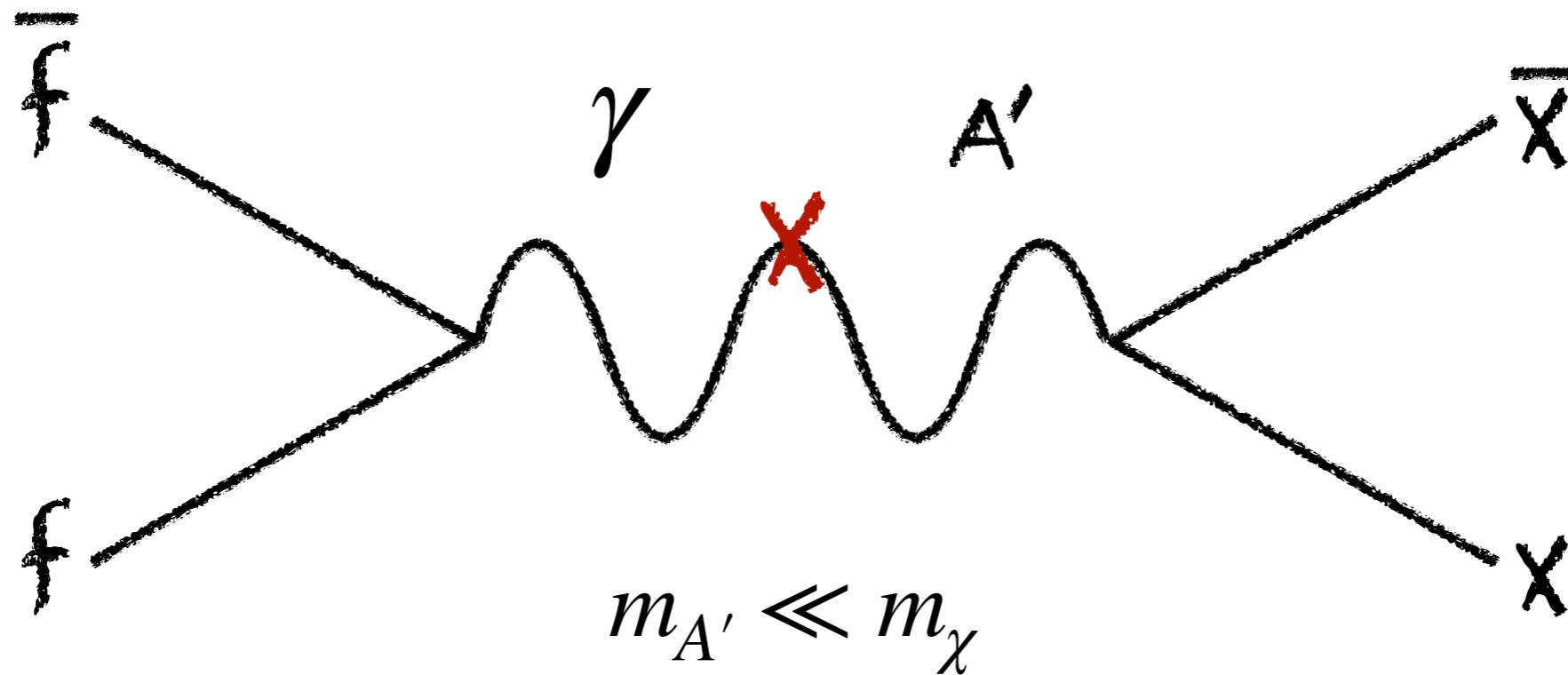
Asymmetric Fermion



present day abundance of DM from same mechanism
as baryon asymmetry

CMB constraints → lower bound on annihilation cross-section

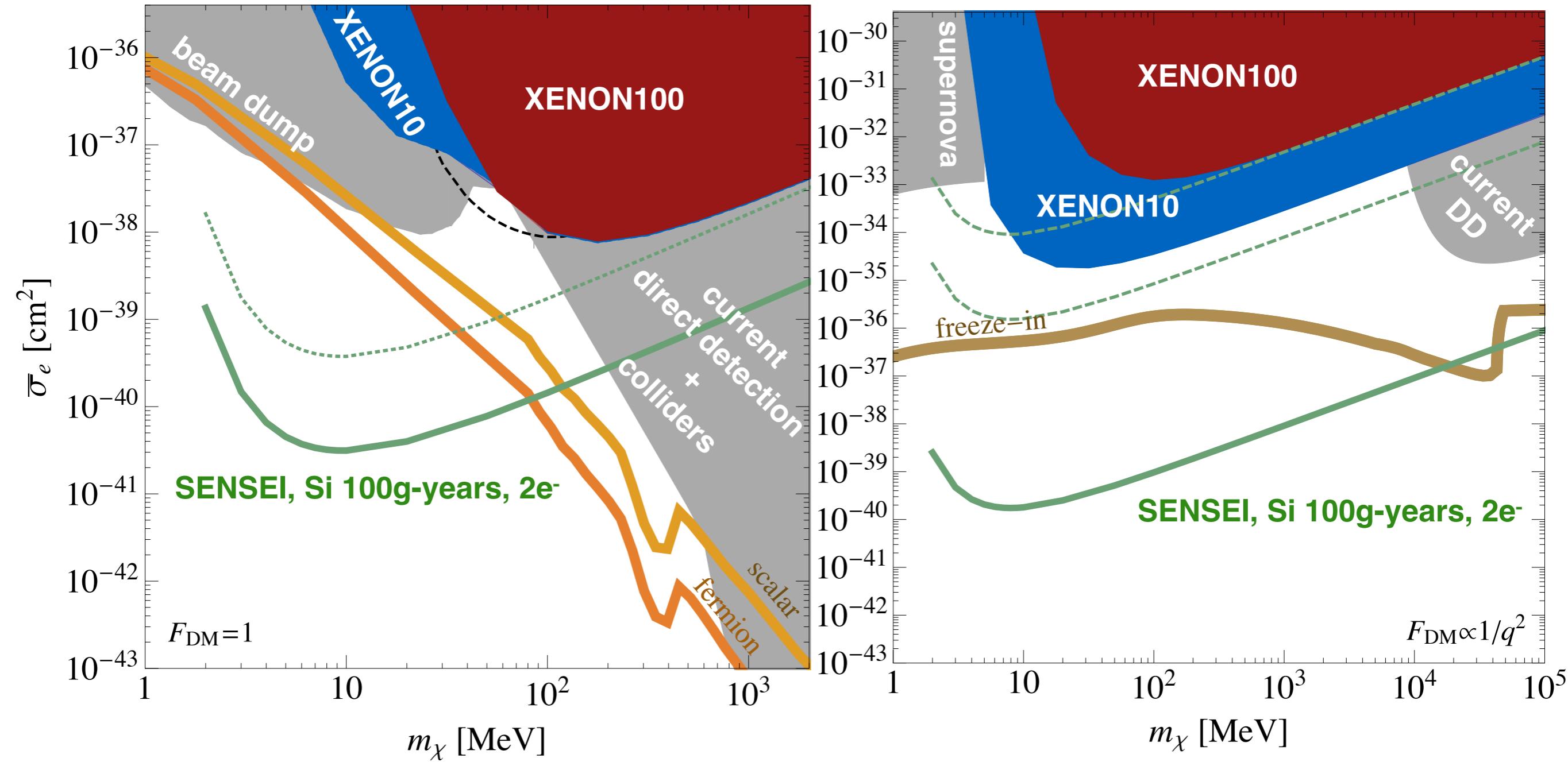
Freeze-in DM

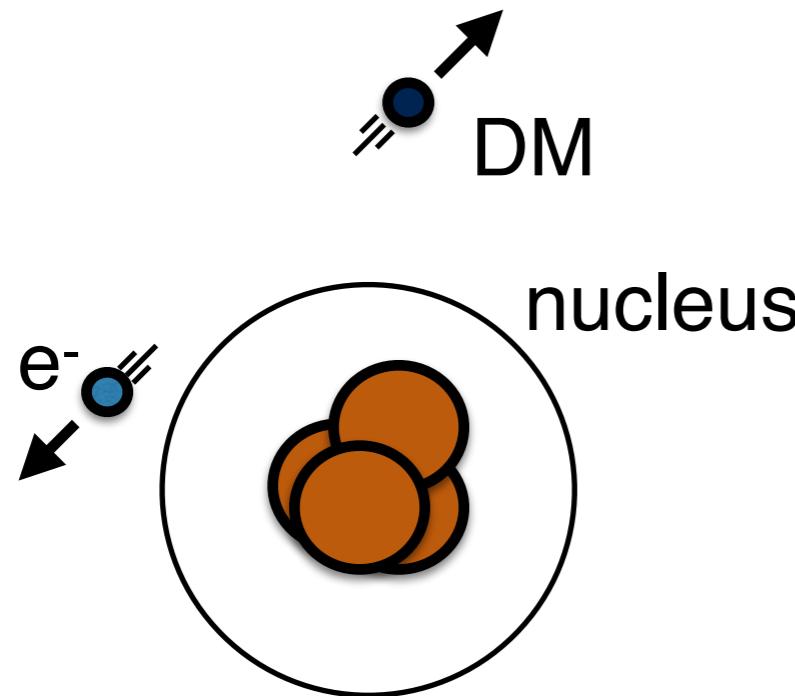


DM very weakly coupled to thermal bath

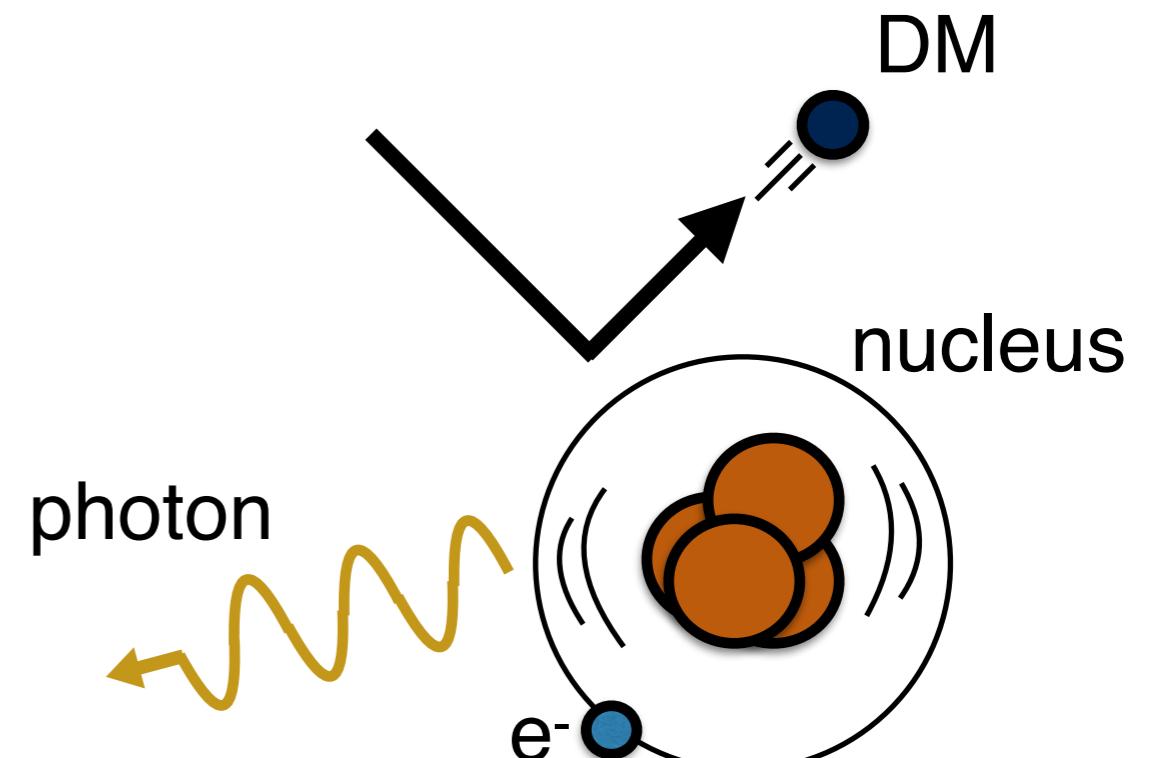
out of equilibrium scatterings
gradually populate DM

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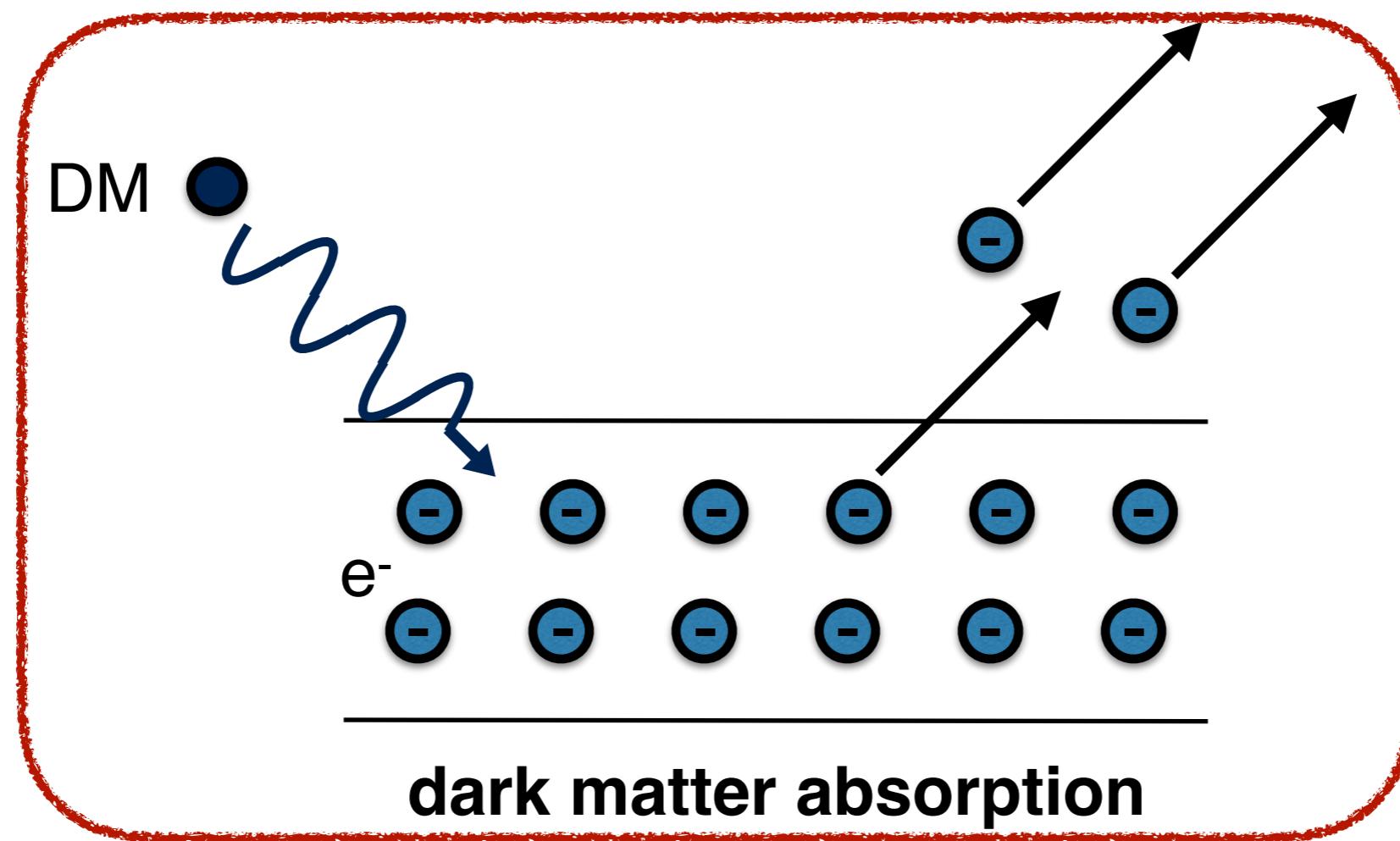




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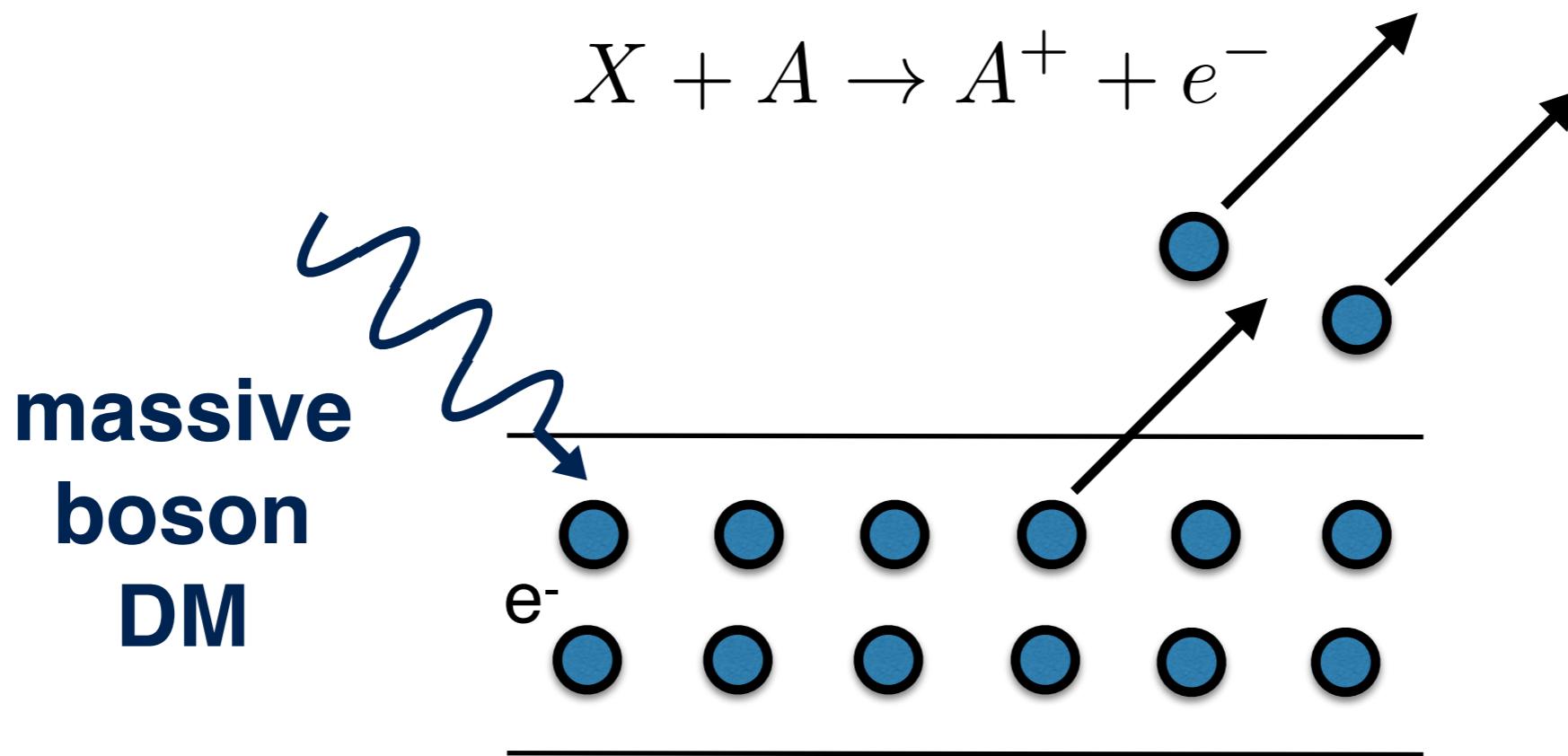


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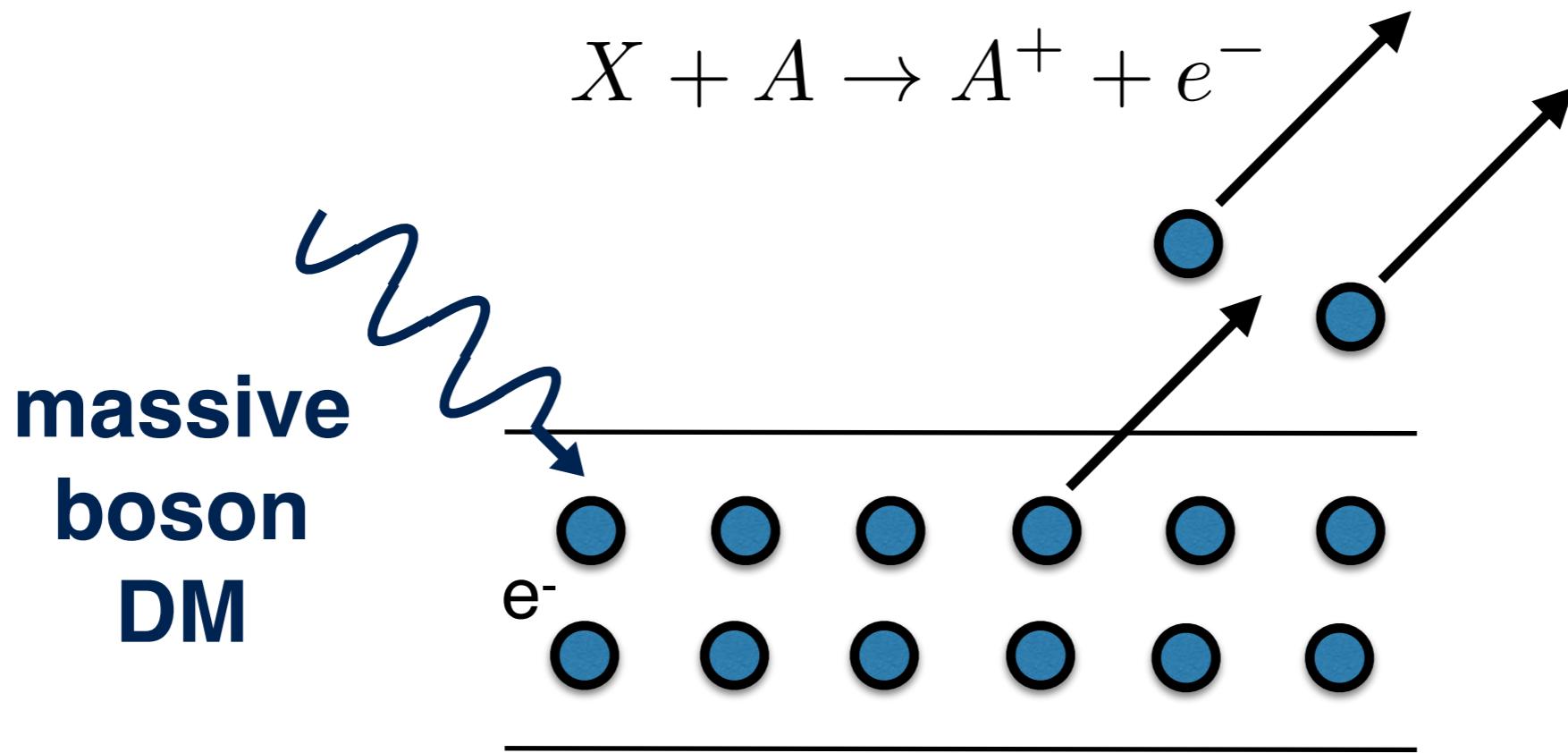
dark matter absorption

photoelectric effect



absorb all of the energy
the incoming dark matter

photoelectric effect



photon

$$|\vec{q}| = \omega$$

bosonic dark matter

$$|\vec{q}| = m_X v_{\text{DM}} \sim 10^{-3} \omega$$

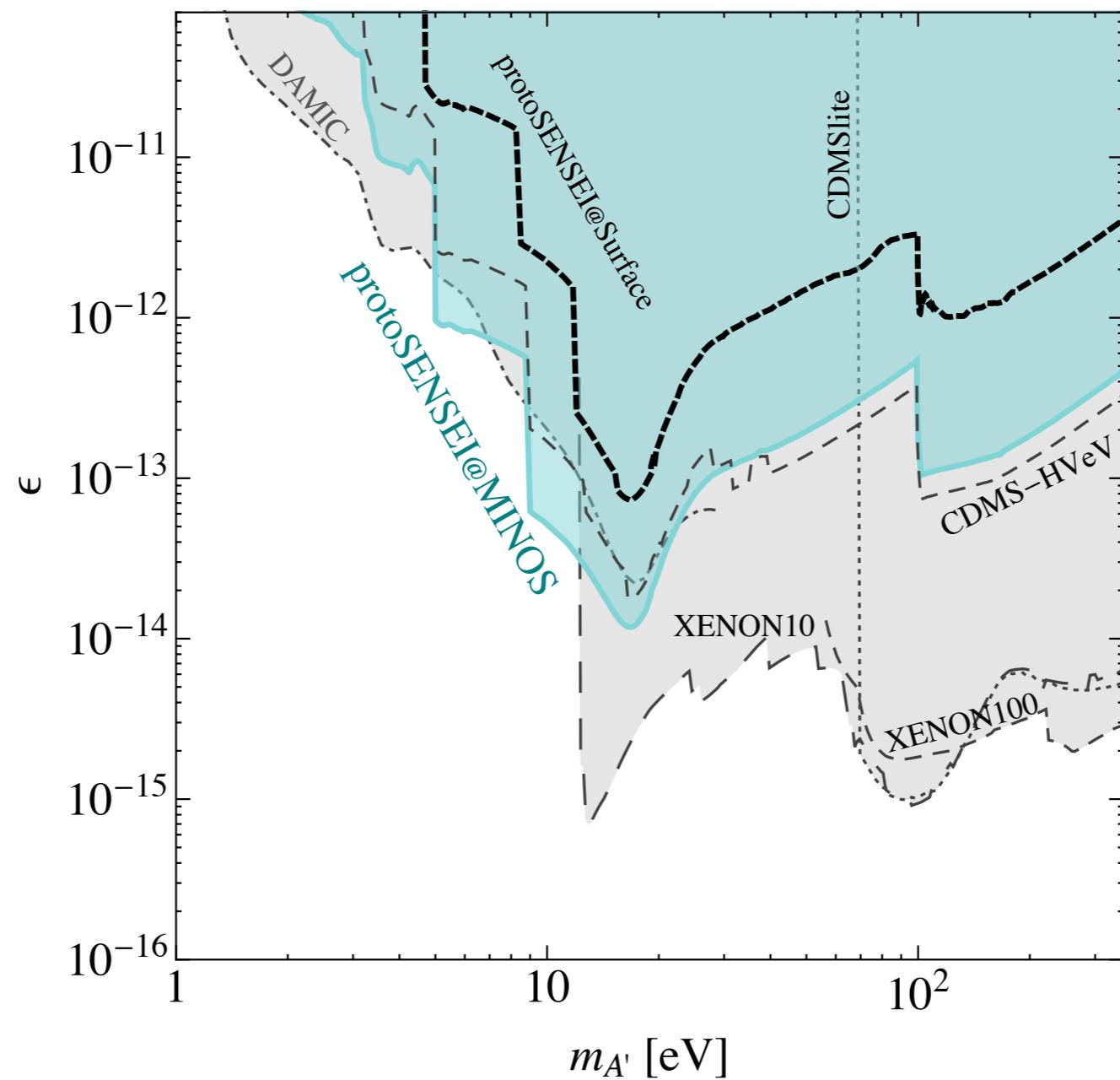
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$$|\vec{q}_e|$$

can relate
massive boson
absorption to
photon absorption

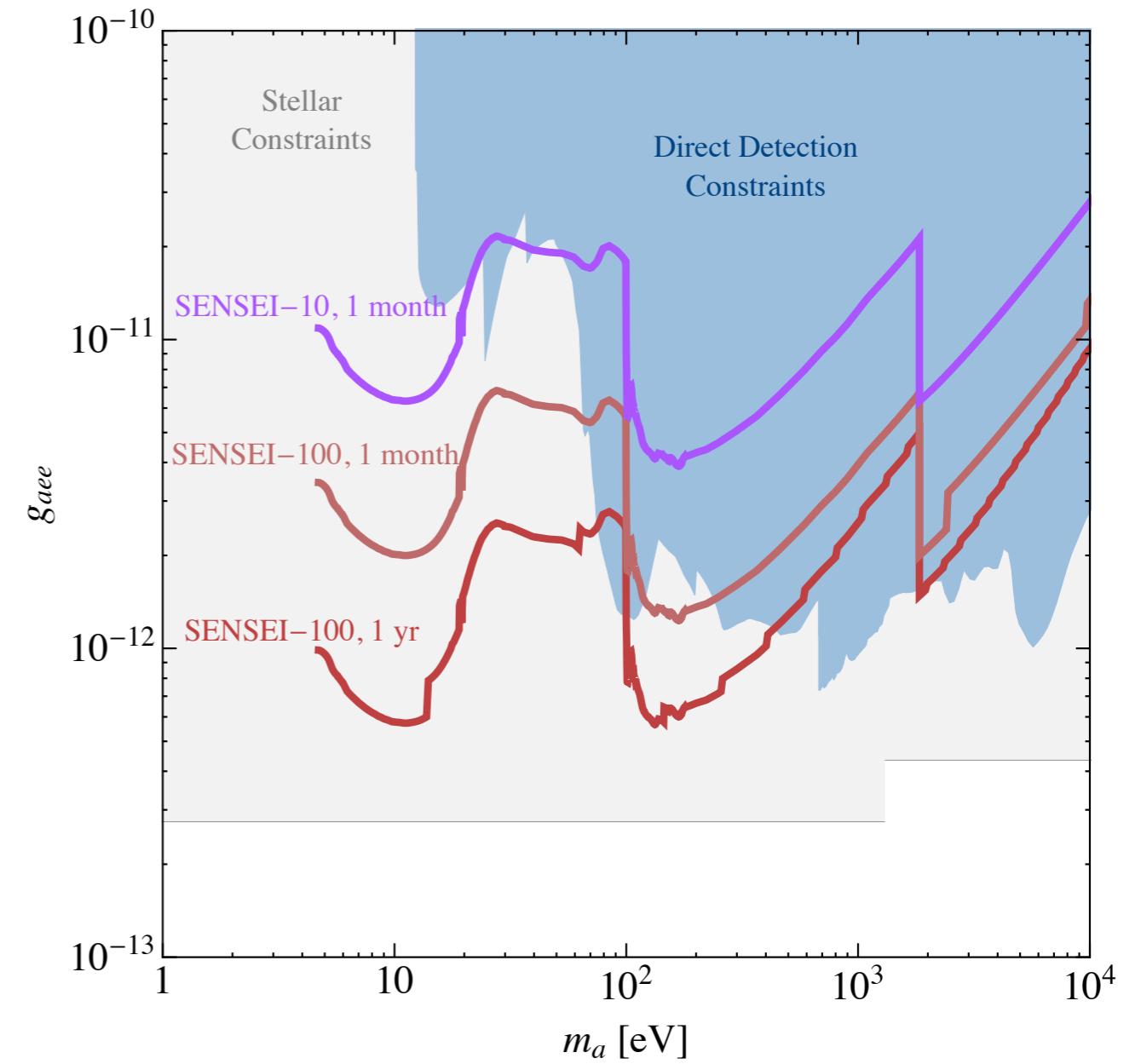
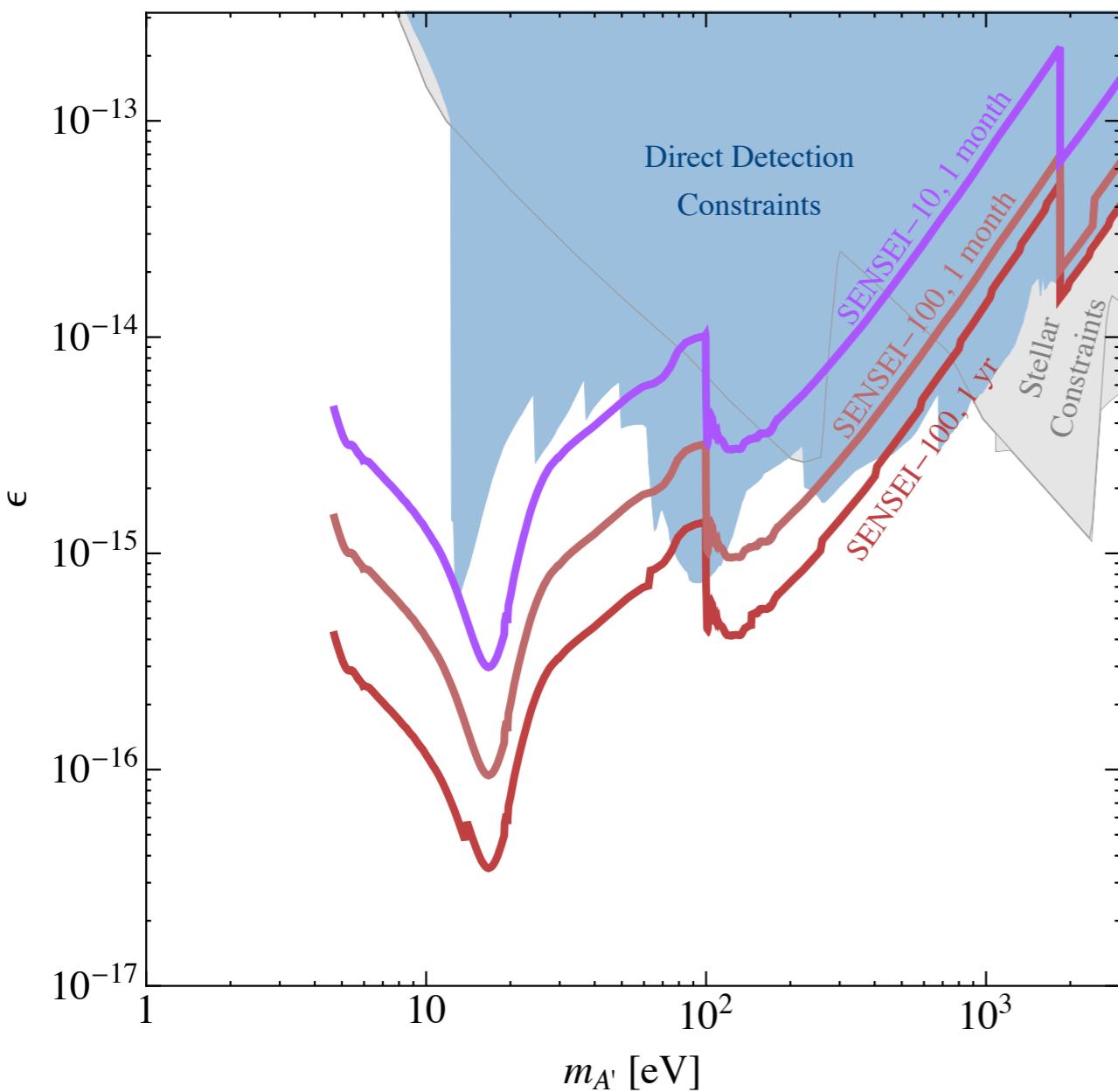
$$\sigma_{\text{DM}}(\omega) \propto \sigma_{\text{PE}}(\omega)$$

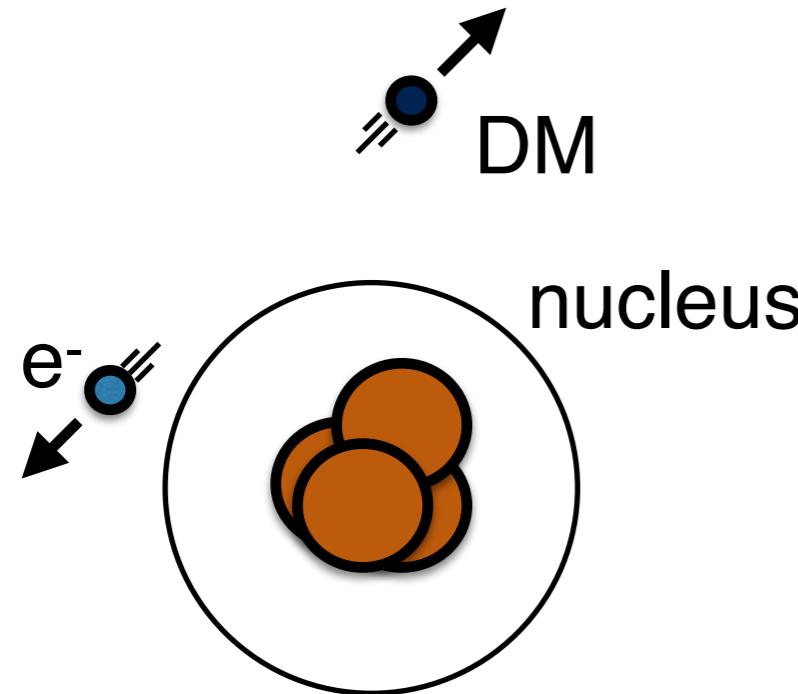
Dark Photon DM



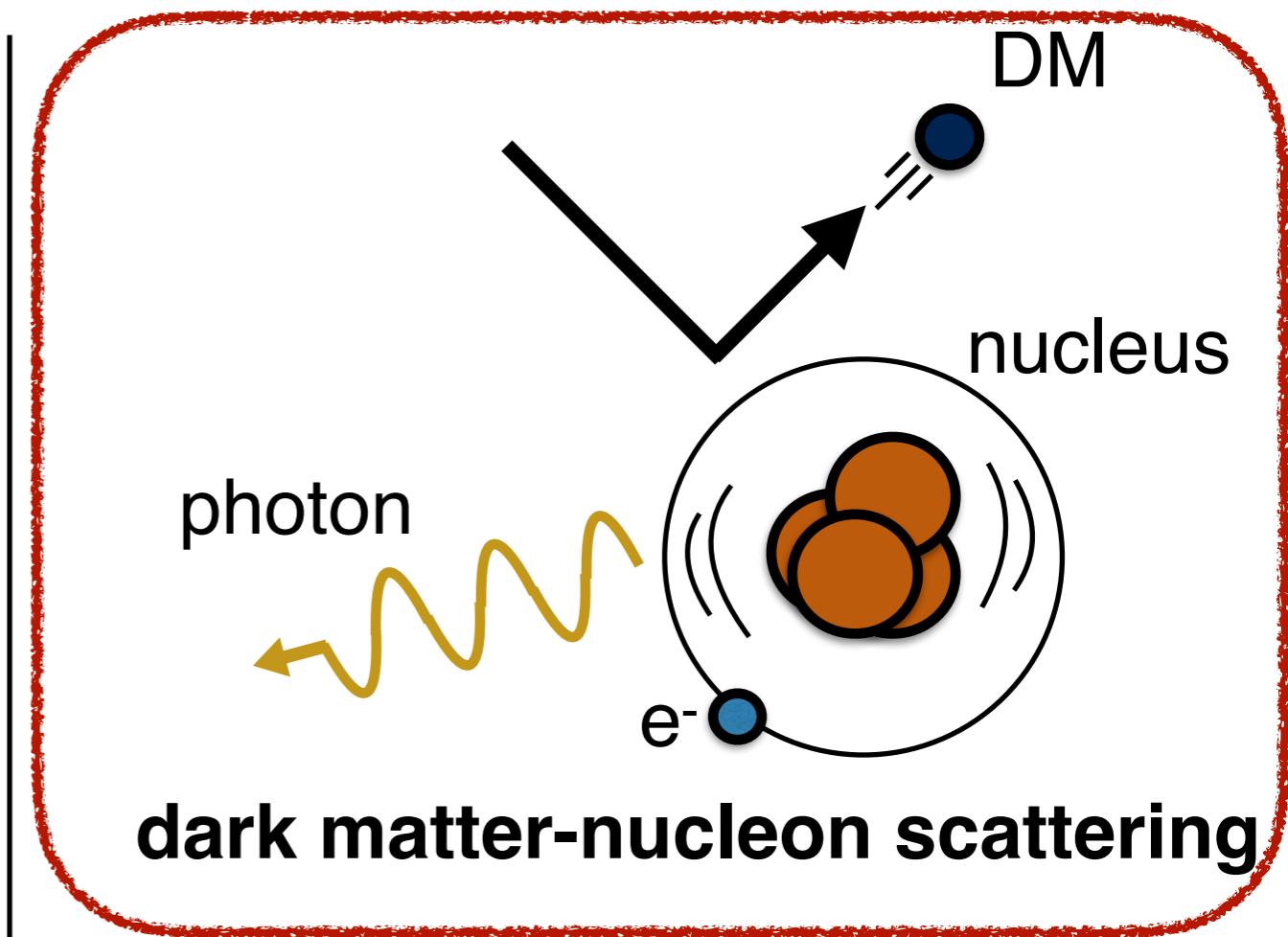
physics potential

bosonic absorption

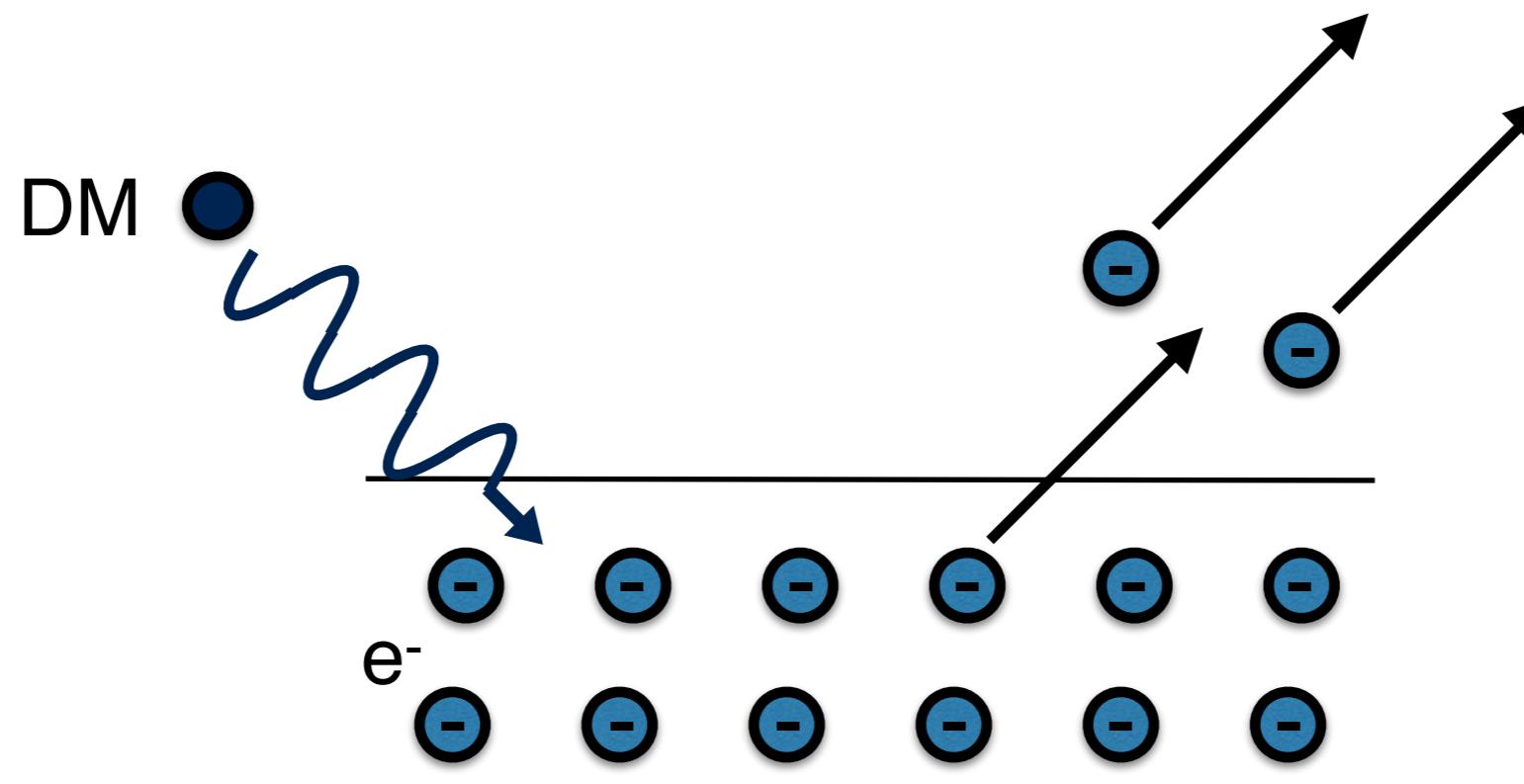




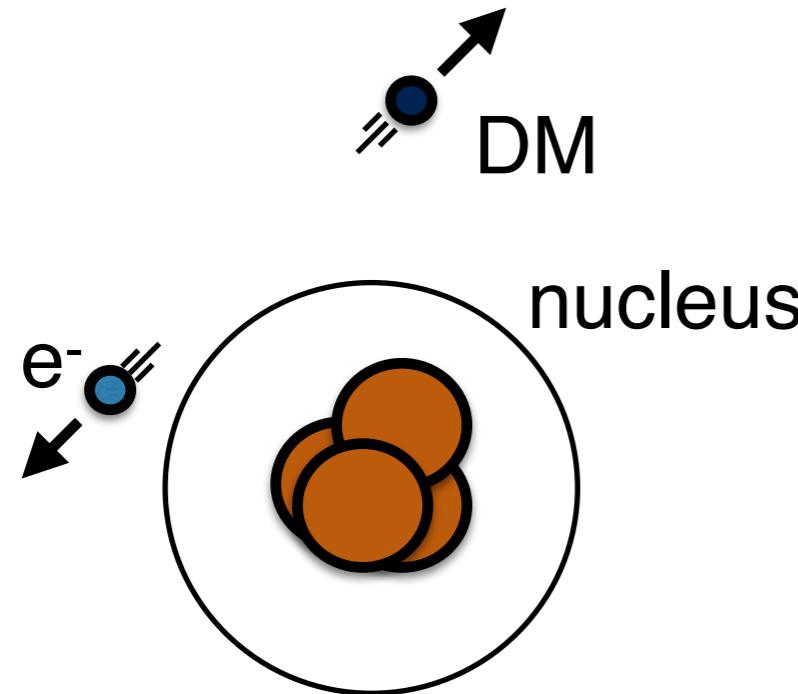
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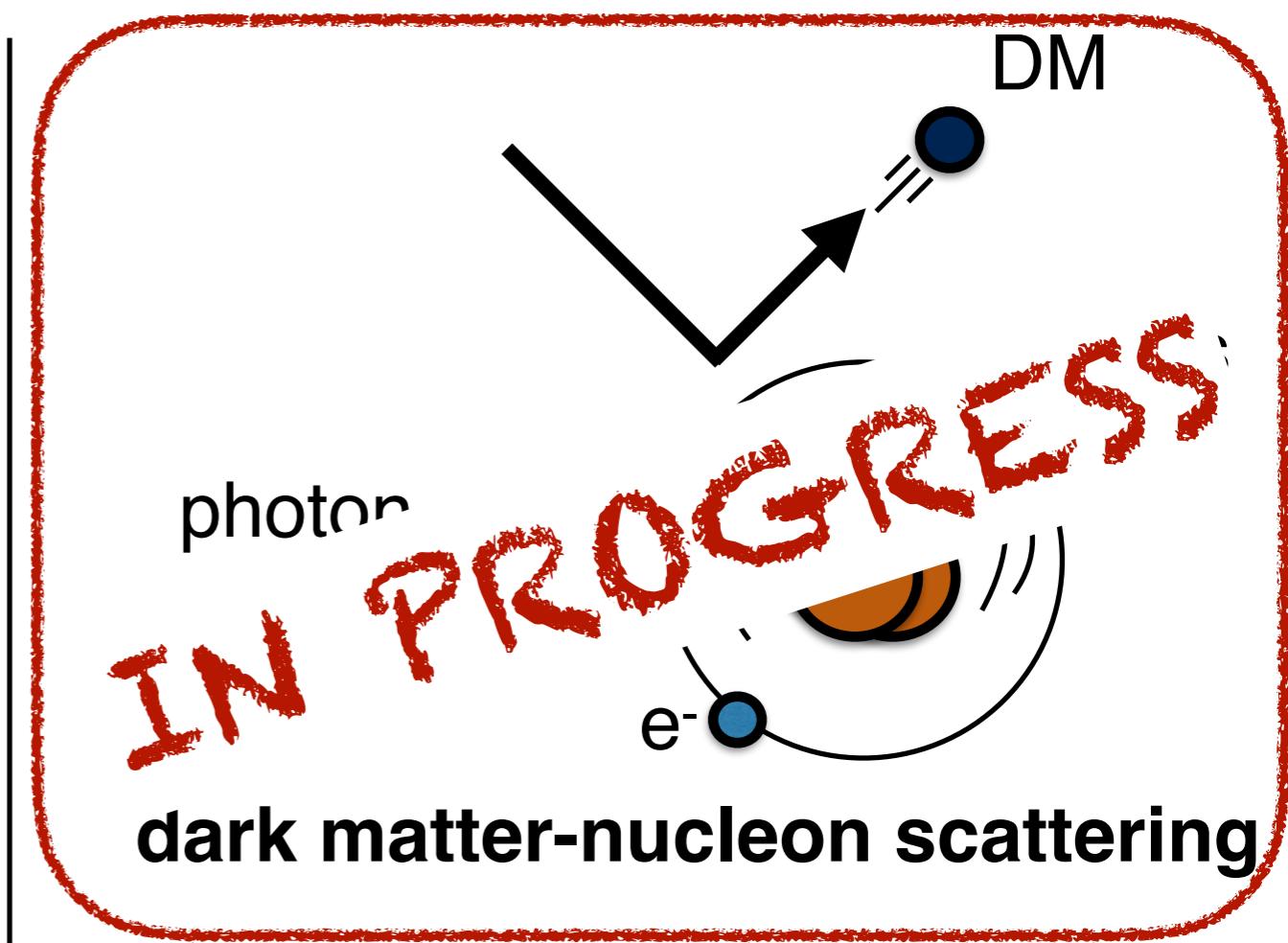
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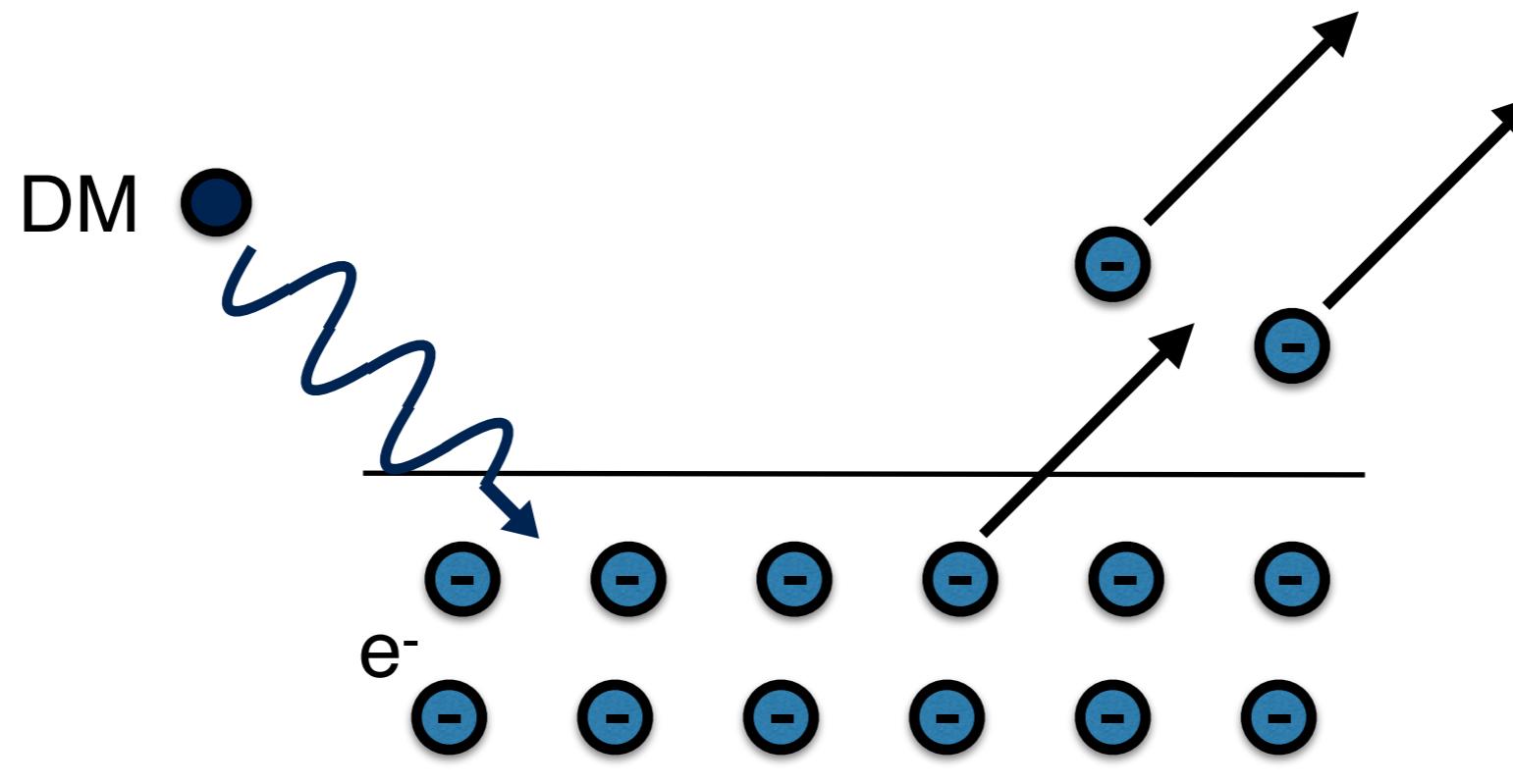
dark matter absorption



dark matter-electron scattering



dark matter-nucleon scattering



dark matter absorption

dark sector candidates at direct detection exps

