

# Low-energy Neutrinos as a signal for Solar WIMPs

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# Motivation

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- Dark Matter already gravitationally “observed”, but ...
  - What is it ?
  - What are its properties ?



# Weakly Interacting Massive Particle ( $\chi$ )

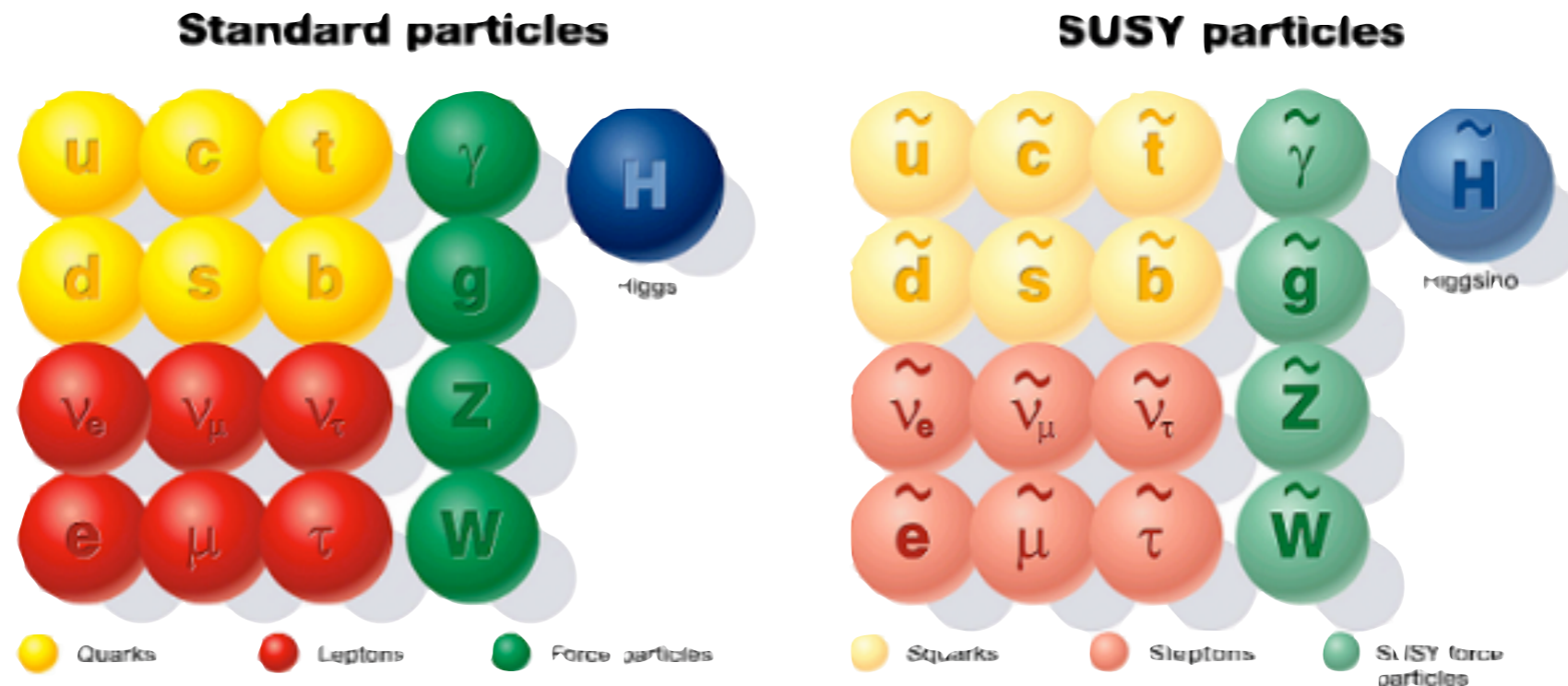
- **Observational Evidence for Dark Matter points to**

- Non-baryonic
- Cold massive
- Not strongly interacting
- Stable (long lived)

WIMP



- **WIMPs often arise naturally in extensions to the Standard Model of Particle Physics: Supersymmetry, ...**

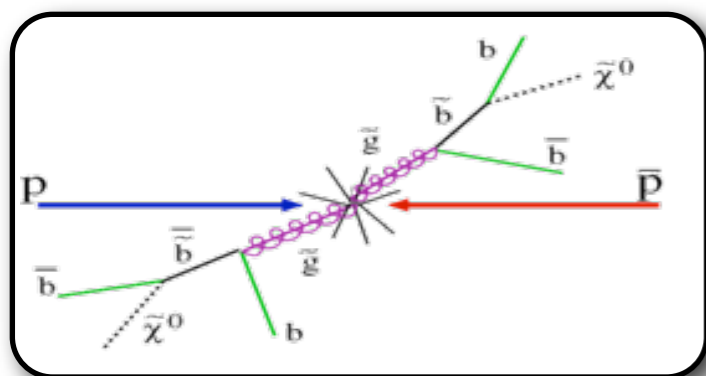


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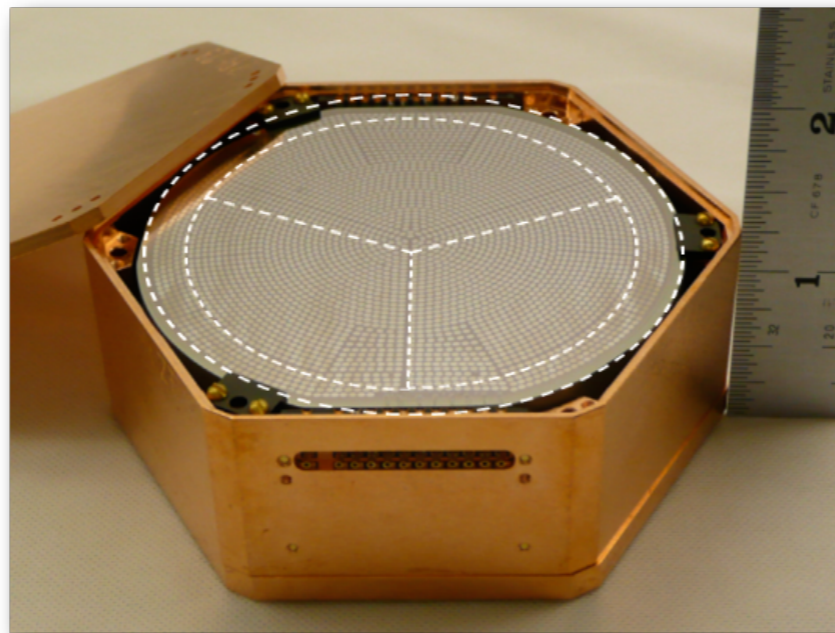
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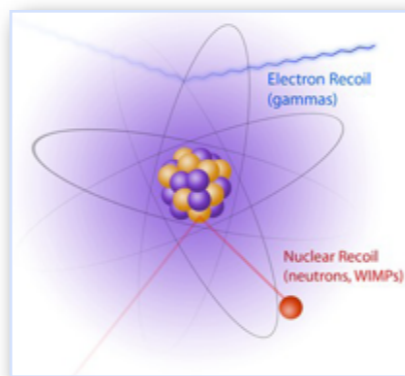
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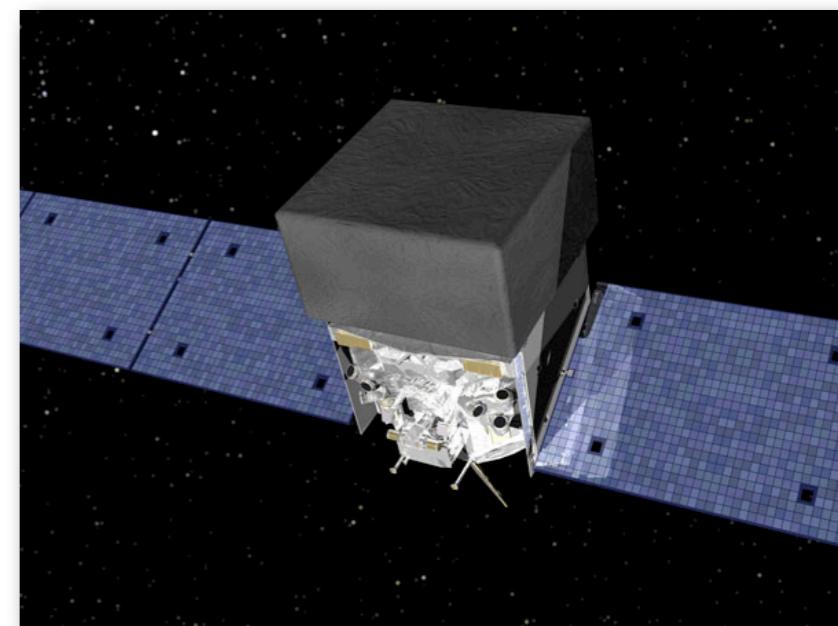
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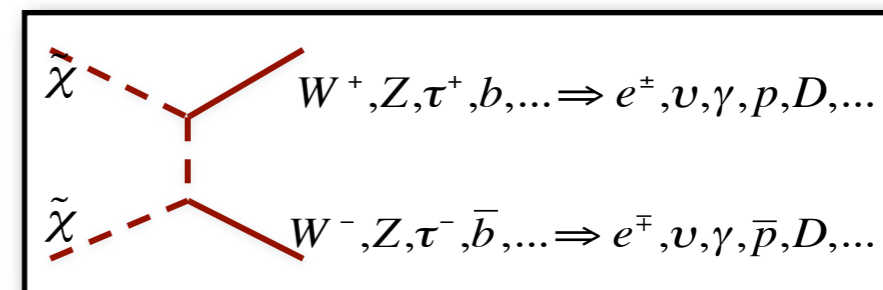
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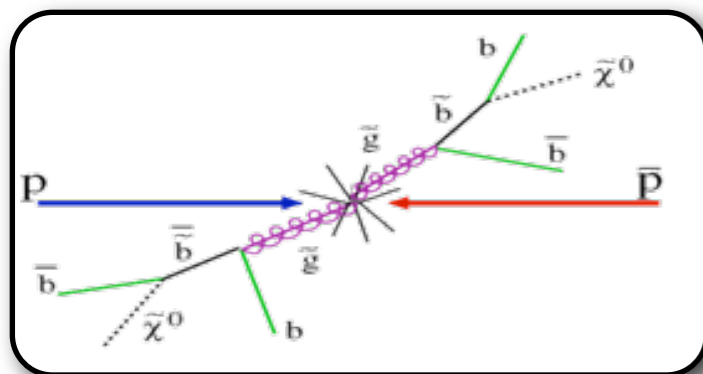


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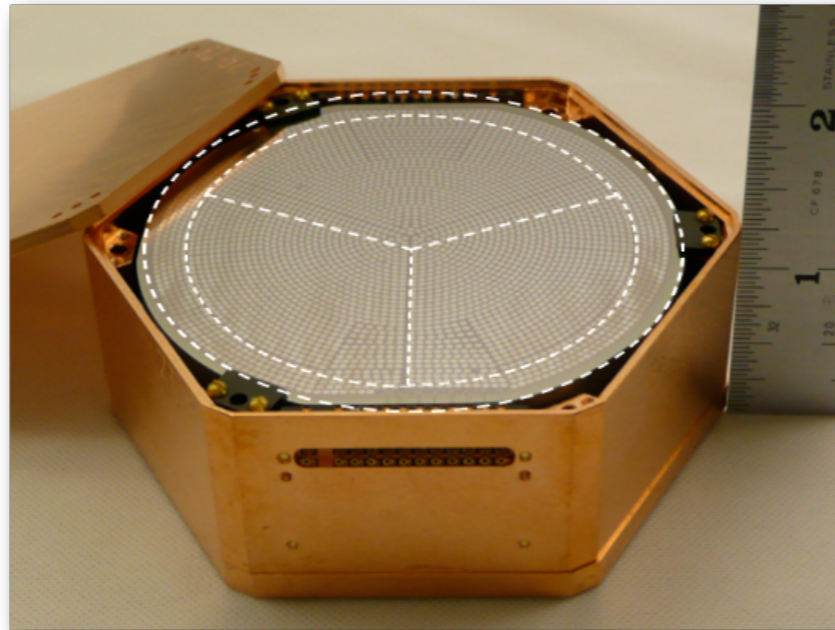
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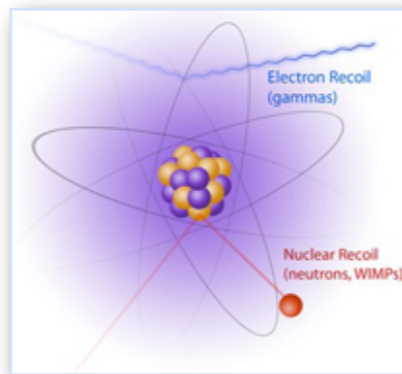
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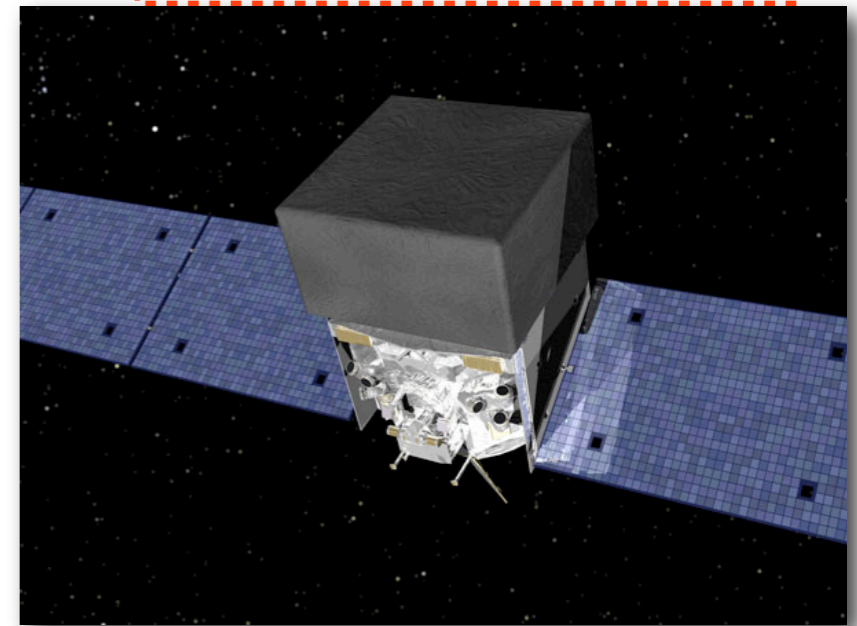
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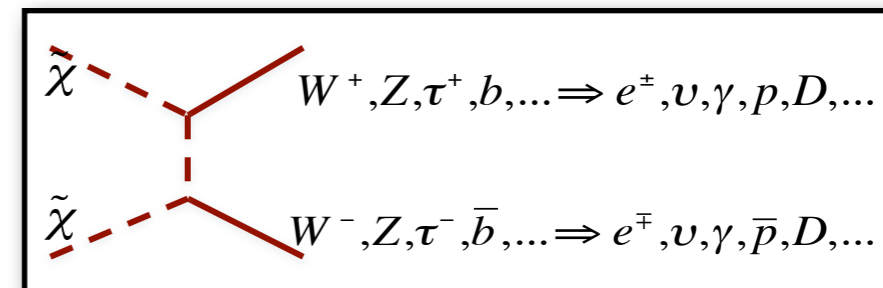
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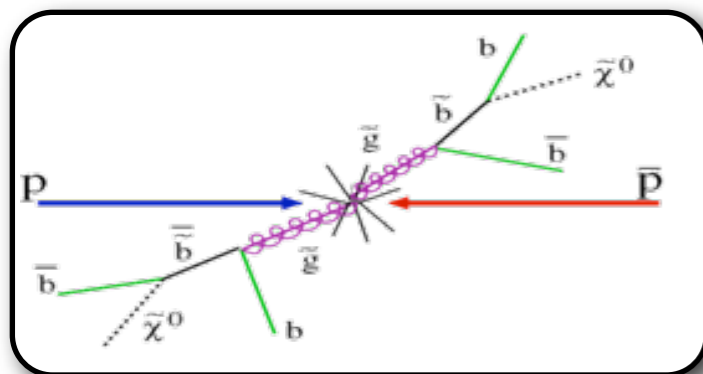


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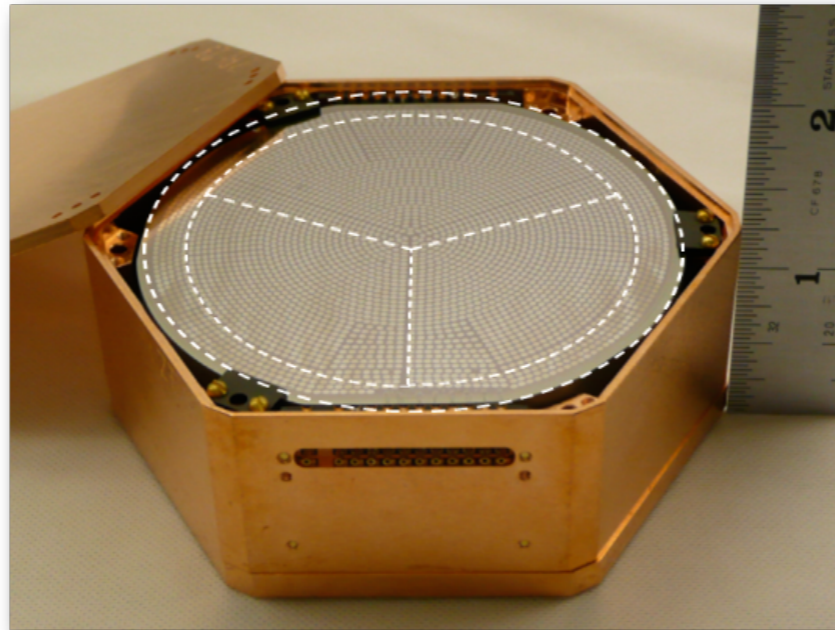
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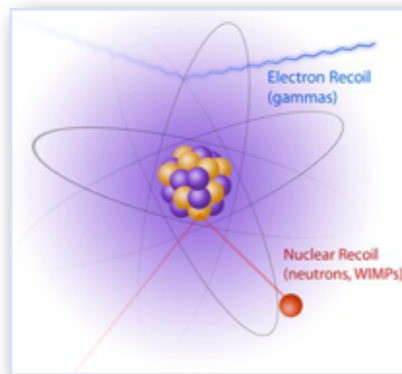
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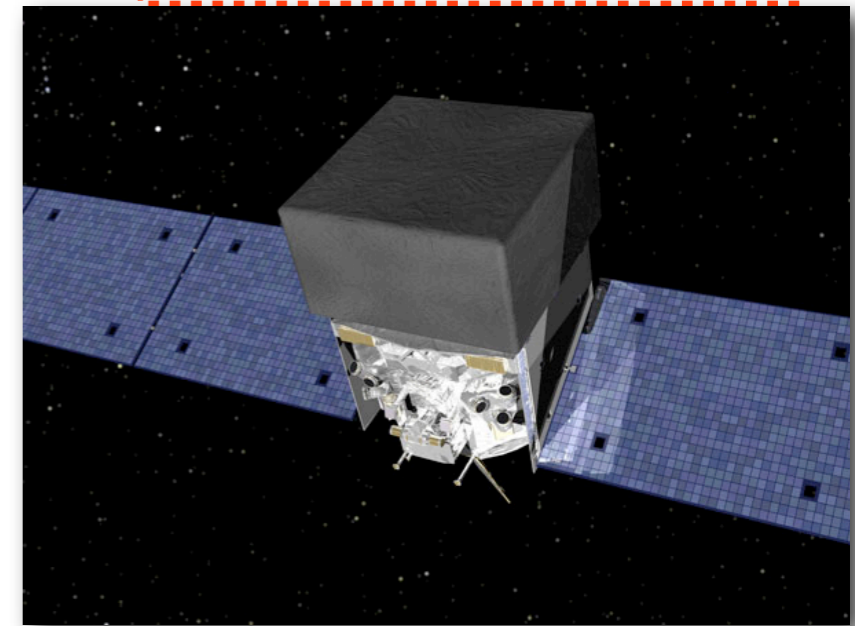
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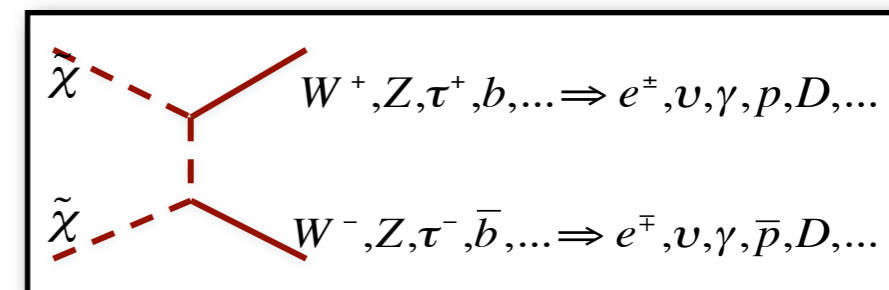
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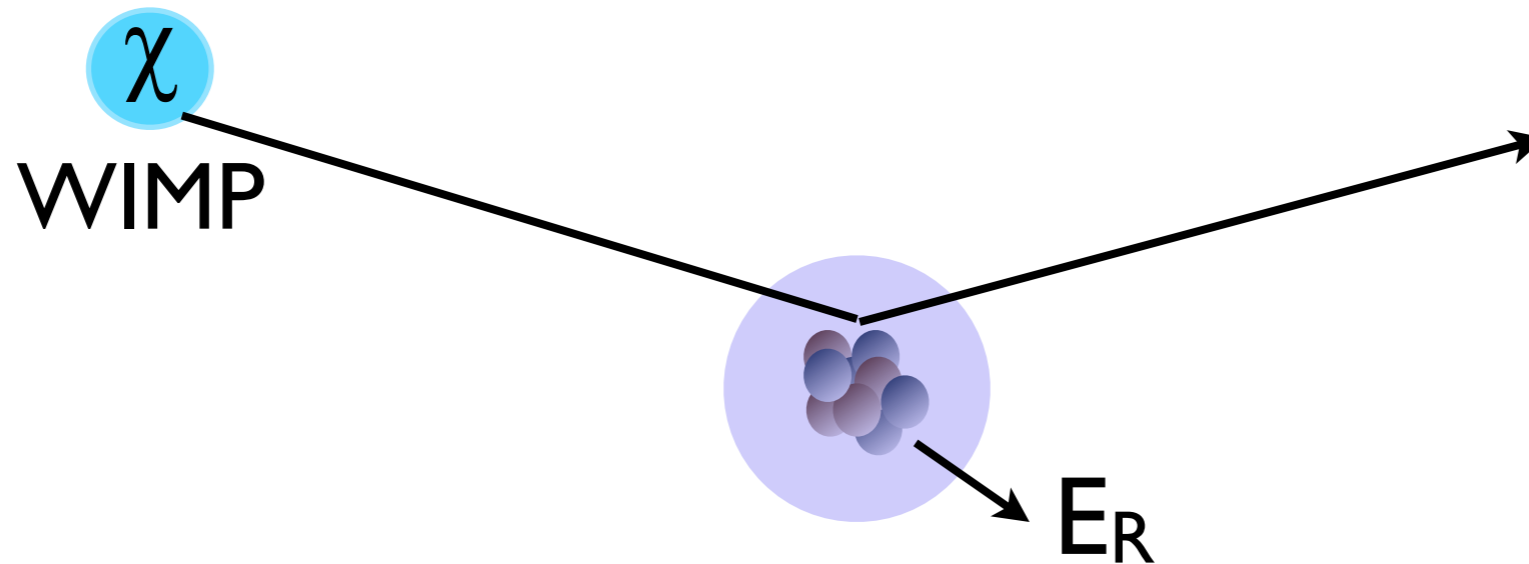


## Annihilation



- Solar WIMPs Searches are an odd ball -- use annihilations to test scattering

# WIMP Direct Detection



- Expected event rate for a direct detection experiment

$$R \sim \underbrace{N}_{\text{Experiment}} \underbrace{\frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi}}_{\text{Astrophysics}} \underbrace{\sigma_{\chi N}}_{\text{Particle Physics}} \underbrace{\langle v \rangle}_{\text{Astrophysics}}$$

$$n_\chi = \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi}$$

$N$  = Number of target nuclei in the detector

$n_\chi$  = local WIMP number density

$m_\chi$  = WIMP mass

$\langle v \rangle$  = mean velocity relative to the target

$\sigma_{\chi N}$  = WIMP-nucleus scattering cross section

# Expected scattering cross section

- A general WIMP candidate: fermion (Dirac or Majorana), boson or scalar particle
- The most general, Lorentz invariant Lagrangian has 5 types of interactions
- In the extreme non-relativistic limit relevant for galactic WIMPs ( $10^{-3} c$ ) the interactions leading to WIMP-nuclei scattering are classified as (Goodman and Witten, 1985):

- **Spin Independent:** Scalar interactions (WIMPs couple to nuclear mass, from the scalar, vector, tensor part of L)

$$\sigma_{\text{SI}} \sim \frac{\mu^2}{m_\chi^2} [Z f_p + (A - Z) f_n]^2$$

coherent interaction  
on all nucleons  
→  $A^2$  enhancement

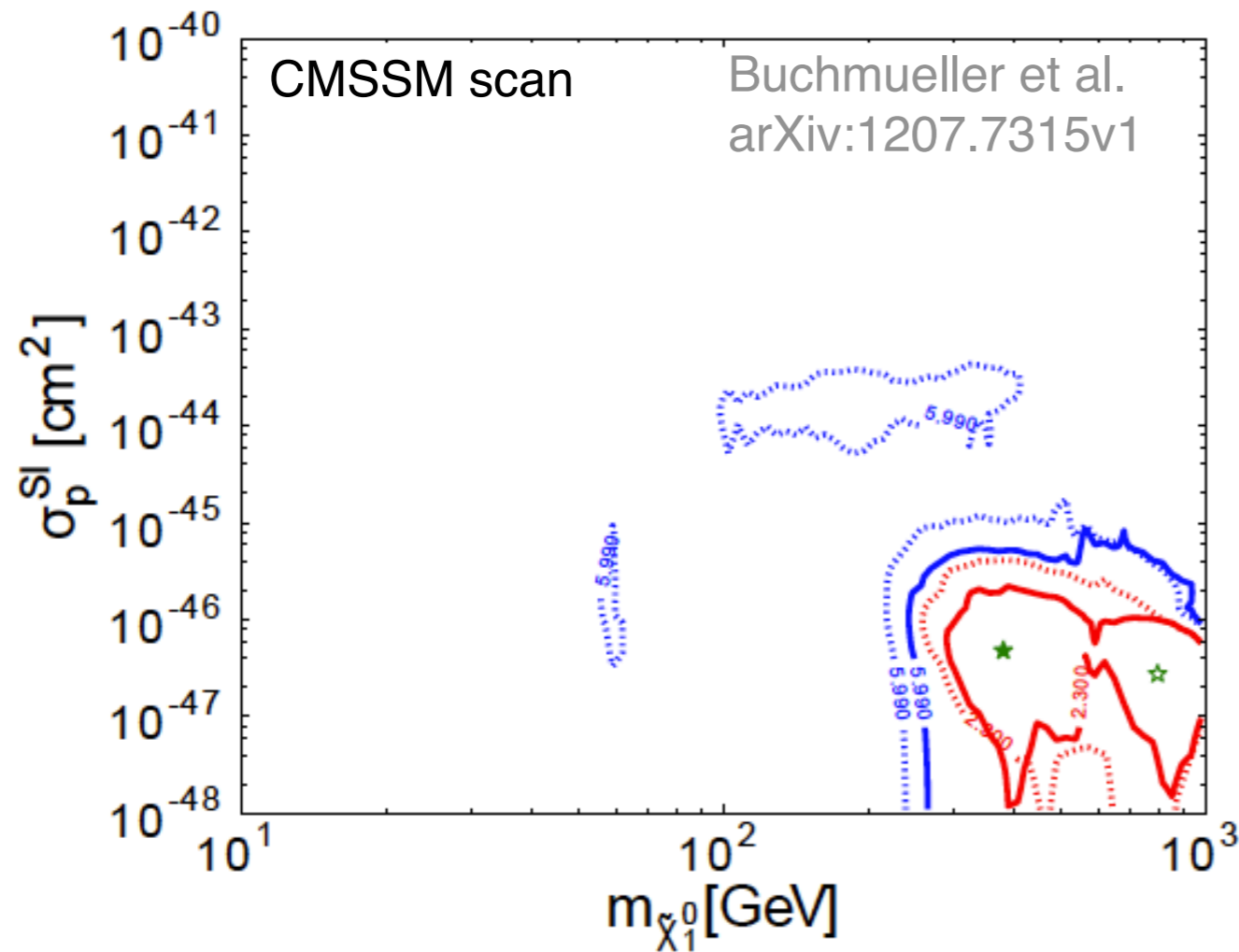
- **Spin Dependent:** Spin-spin interactions (WIMPs couple to the nuclear spin, from the axial part of L)

$$\sigma_{\text{SD}} \sim \mu^2 \frac{J_N + 1}{J_N} (a_p \langle S_p \rangle + a_n \langle S_n \rangle)^2$$

couple to the spin of  
the nucleus  
→ unpaired n or p

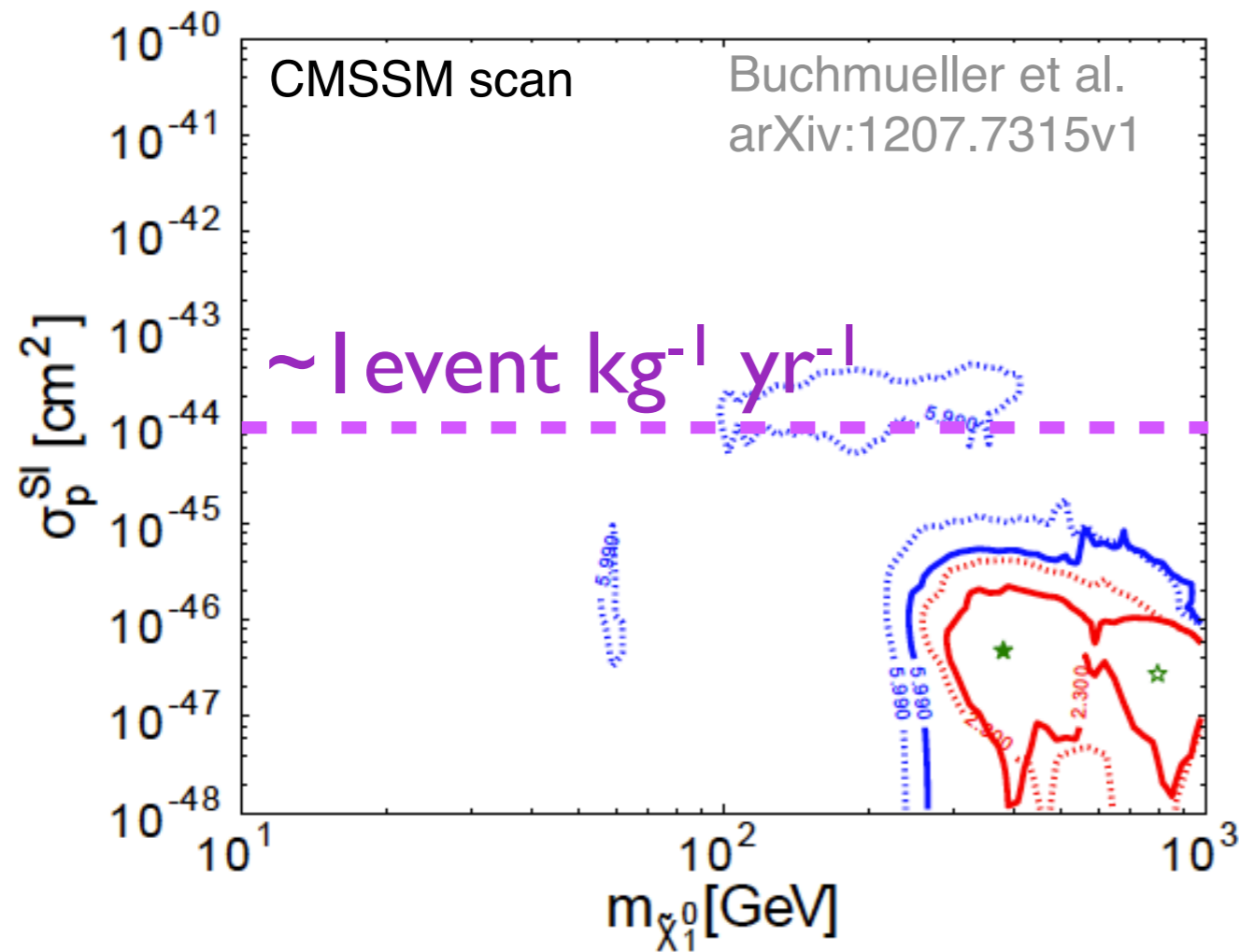
- $J$  - coupled angular momentum of the nucleus
- $\{S_{n(N)}\}$  spin of neutron in nucleus
- $a_n, a_p$  - coupling constants

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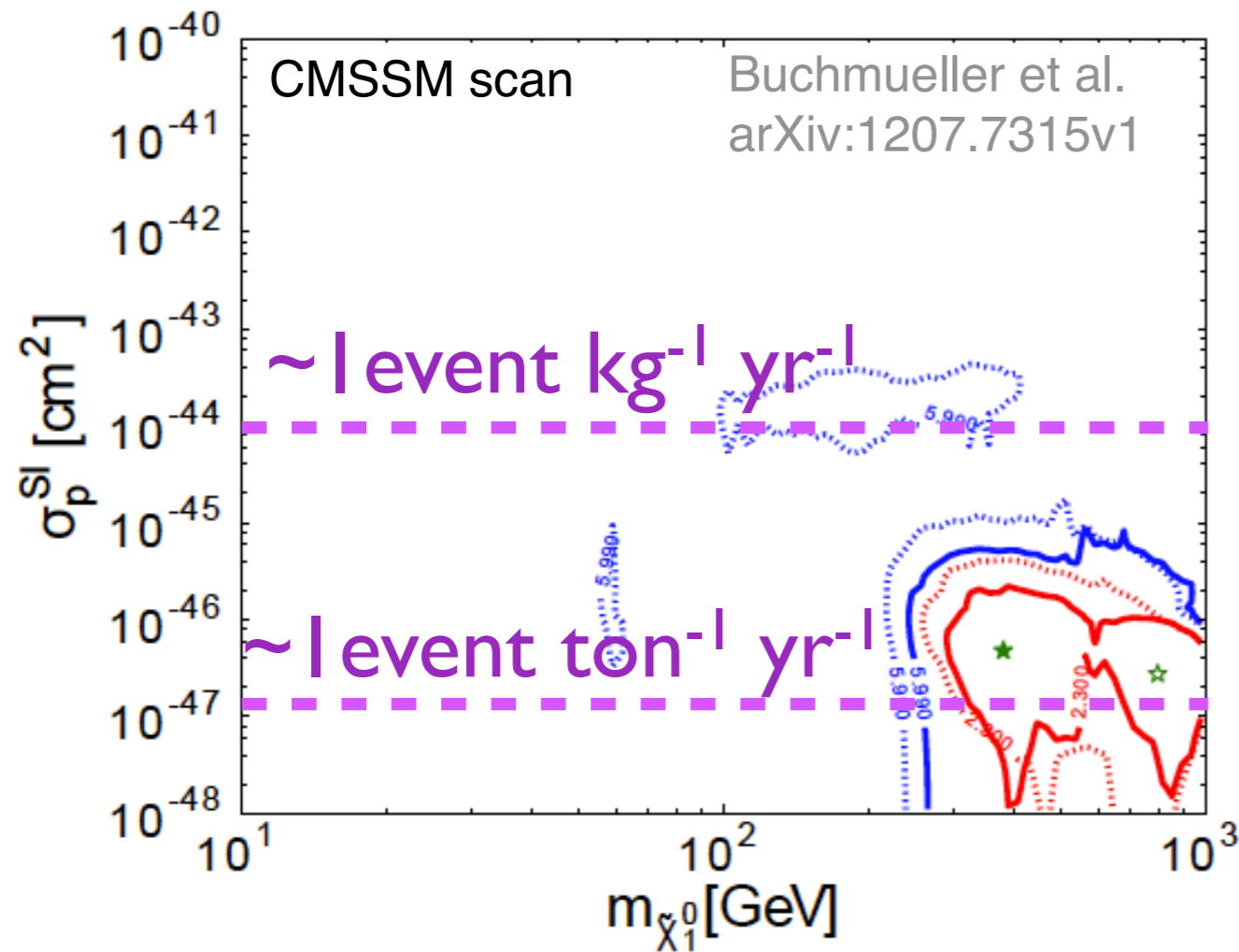
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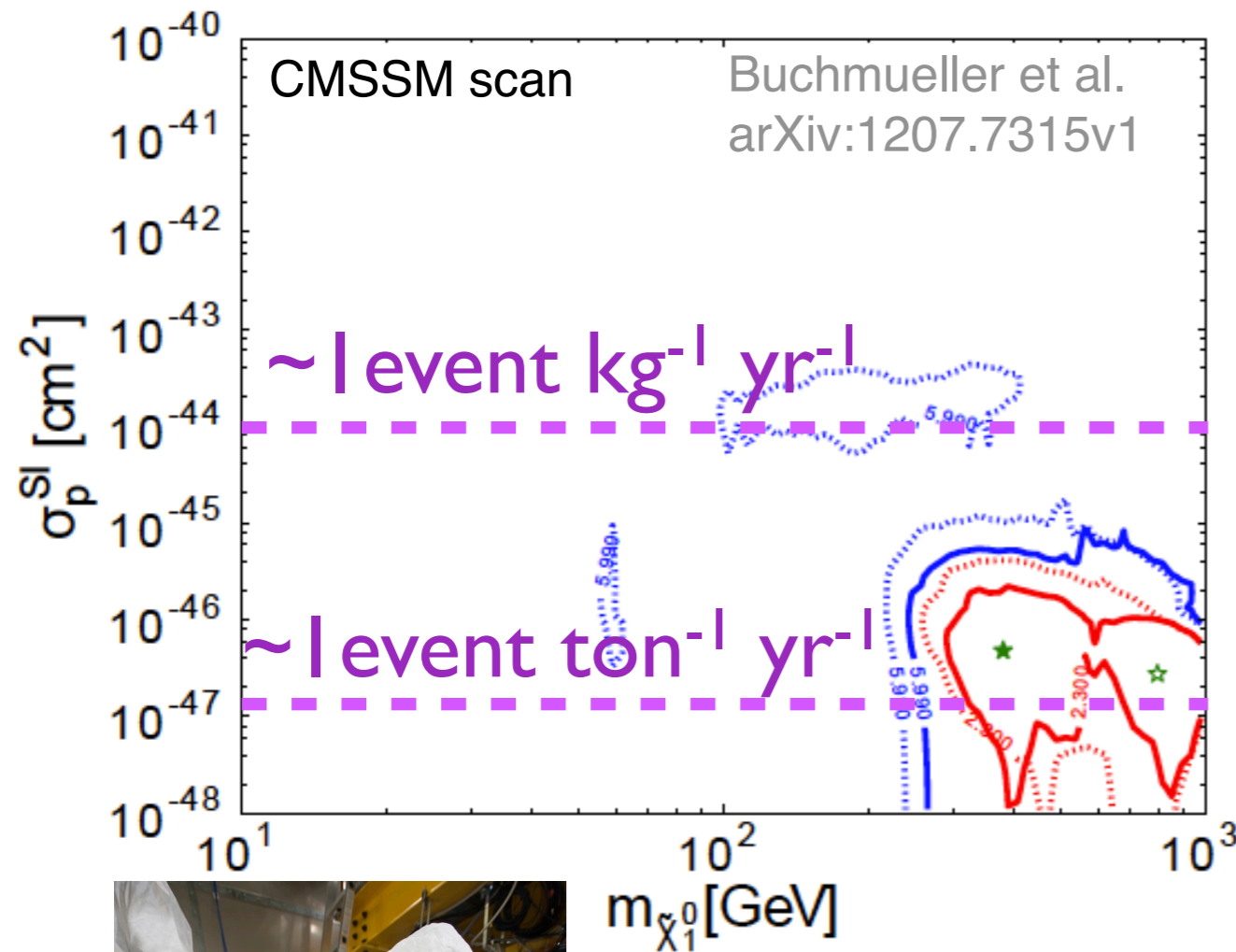
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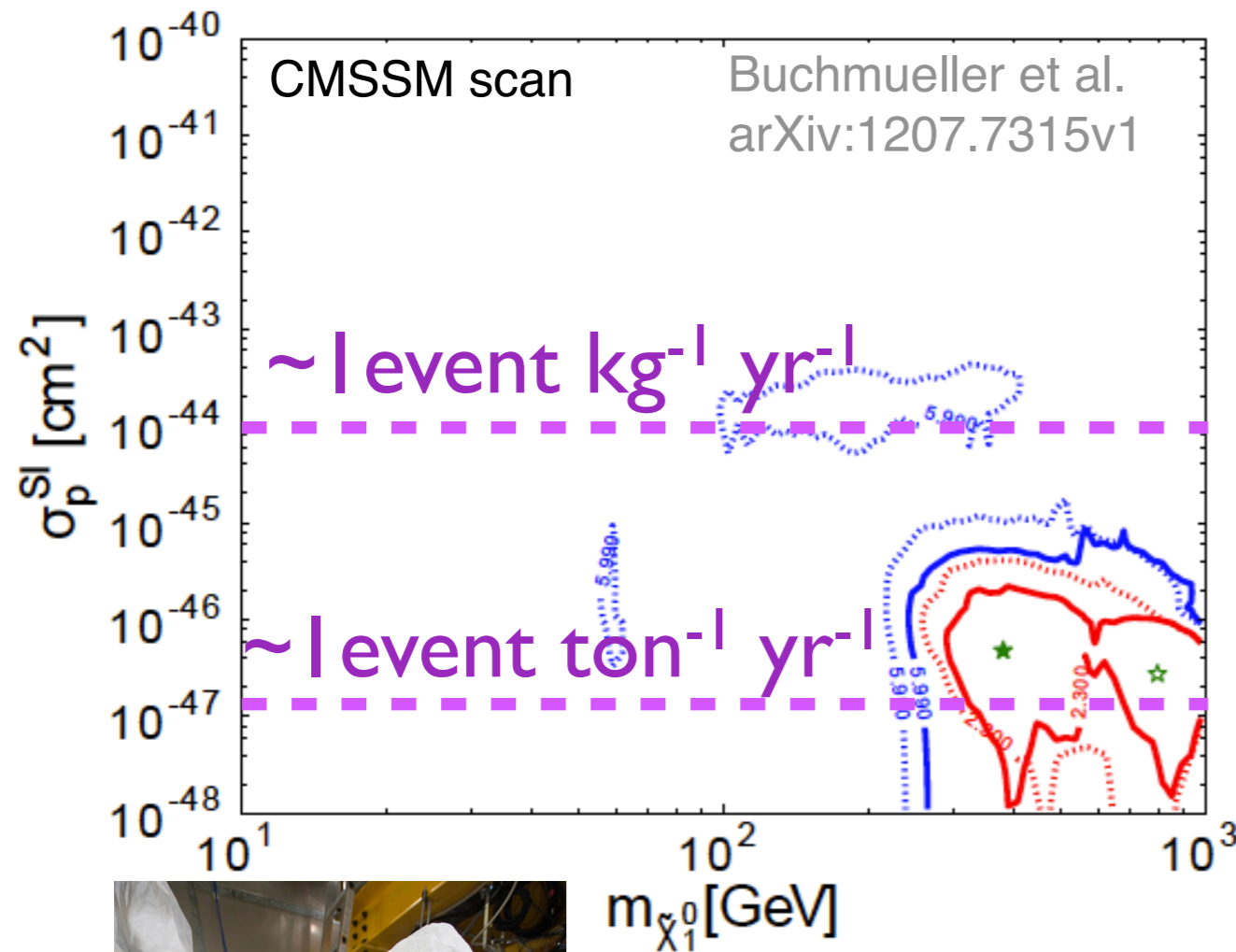
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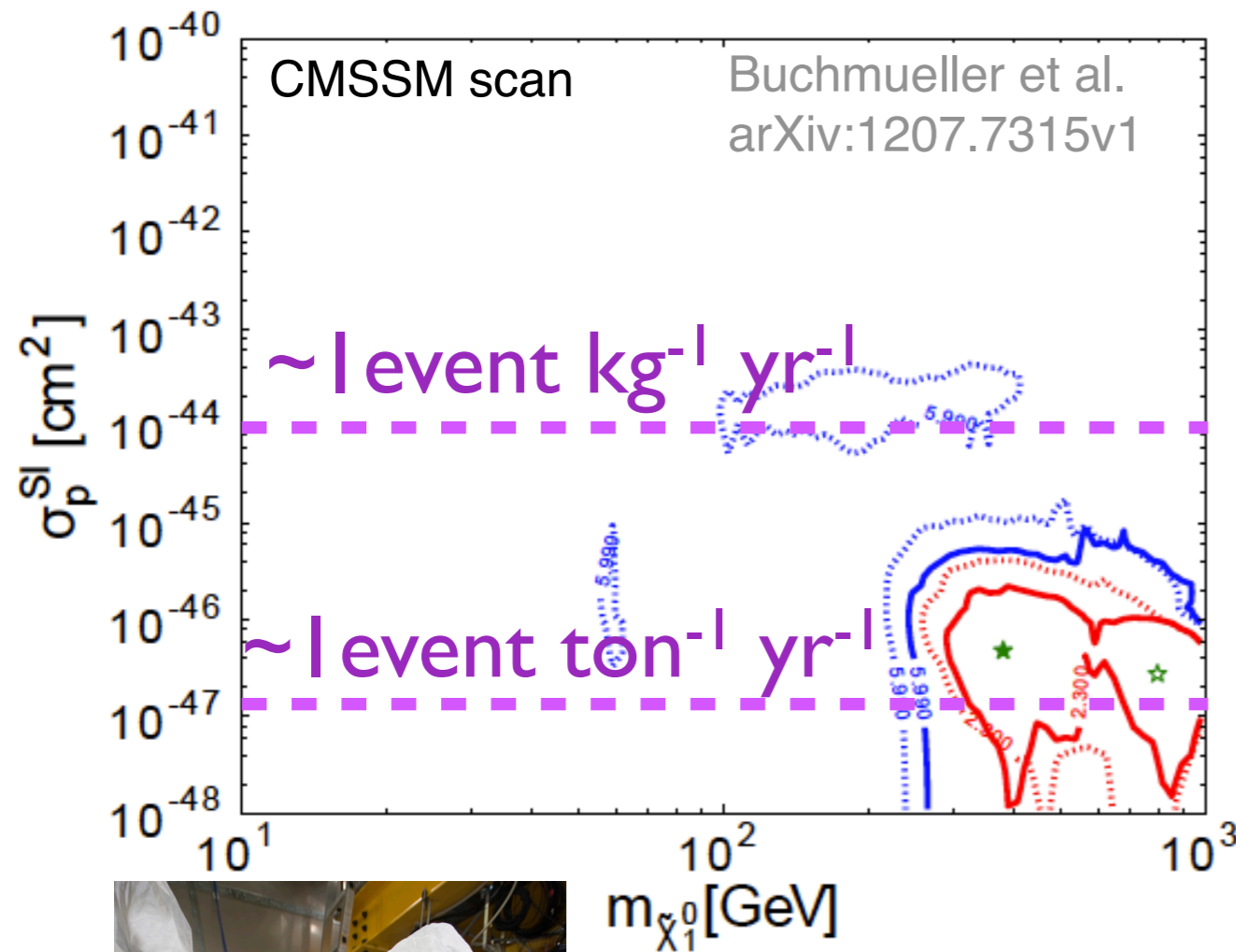
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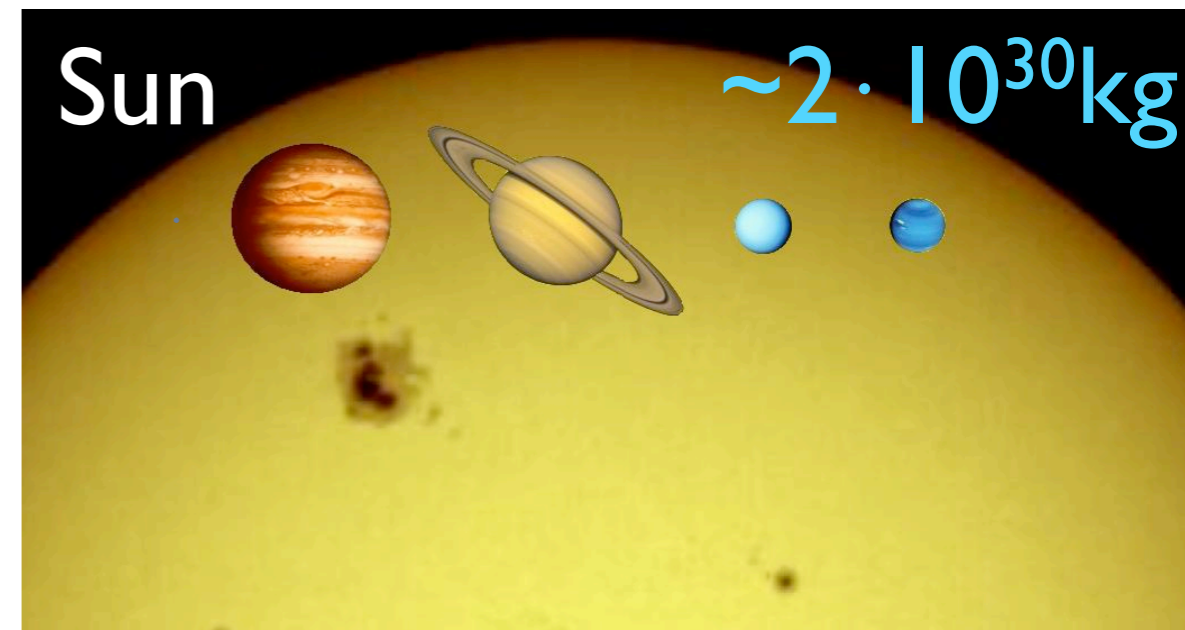
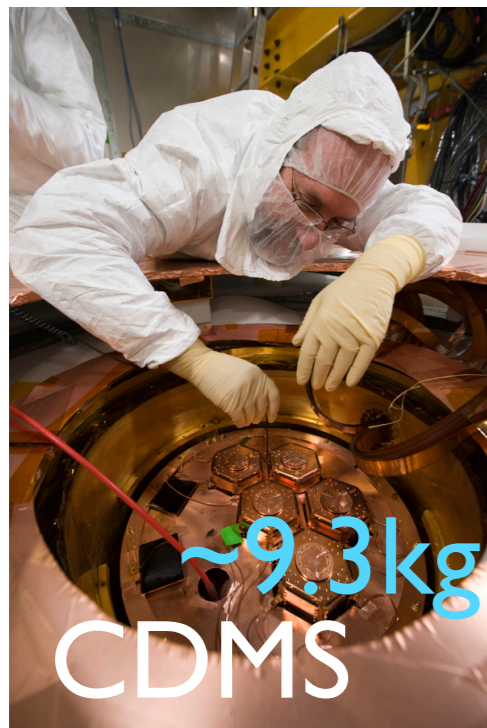
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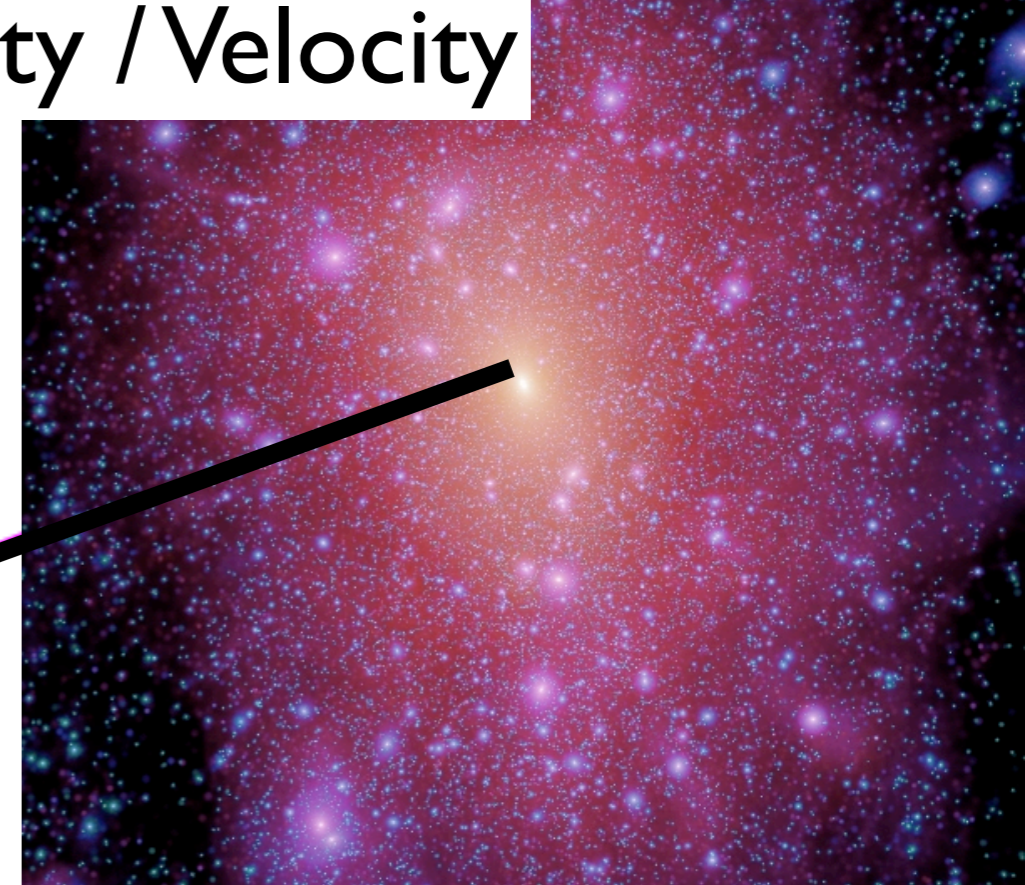
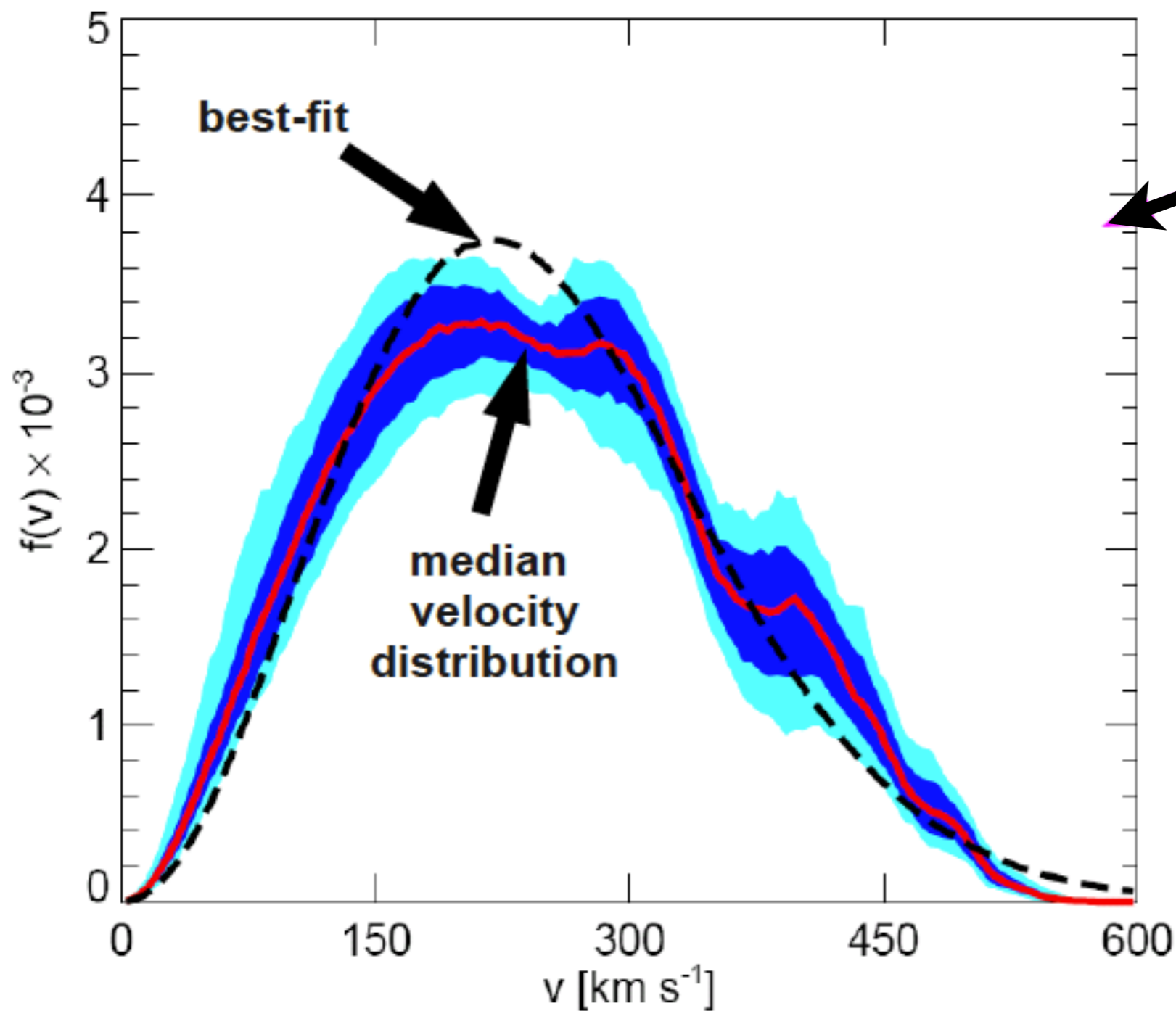
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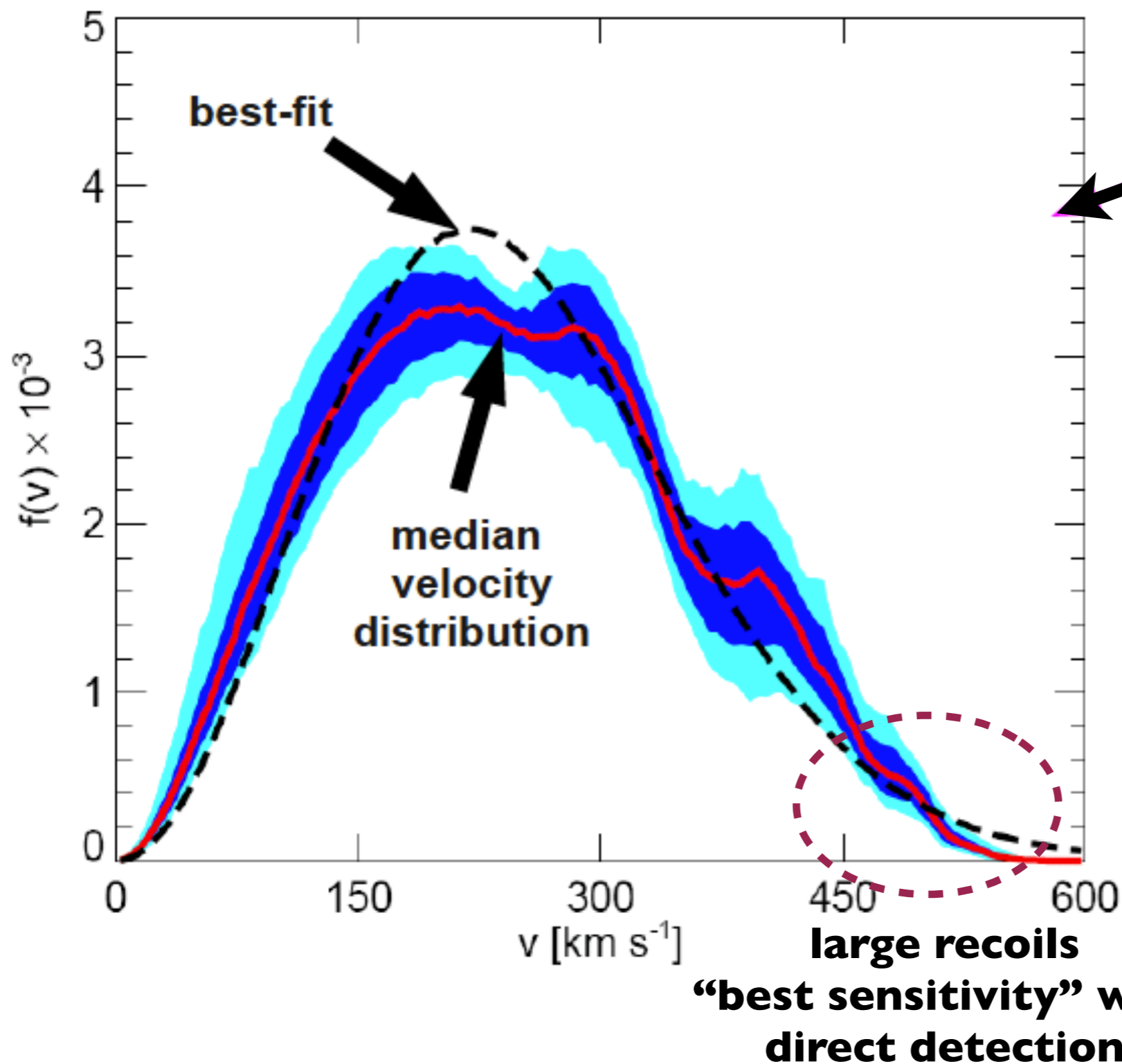


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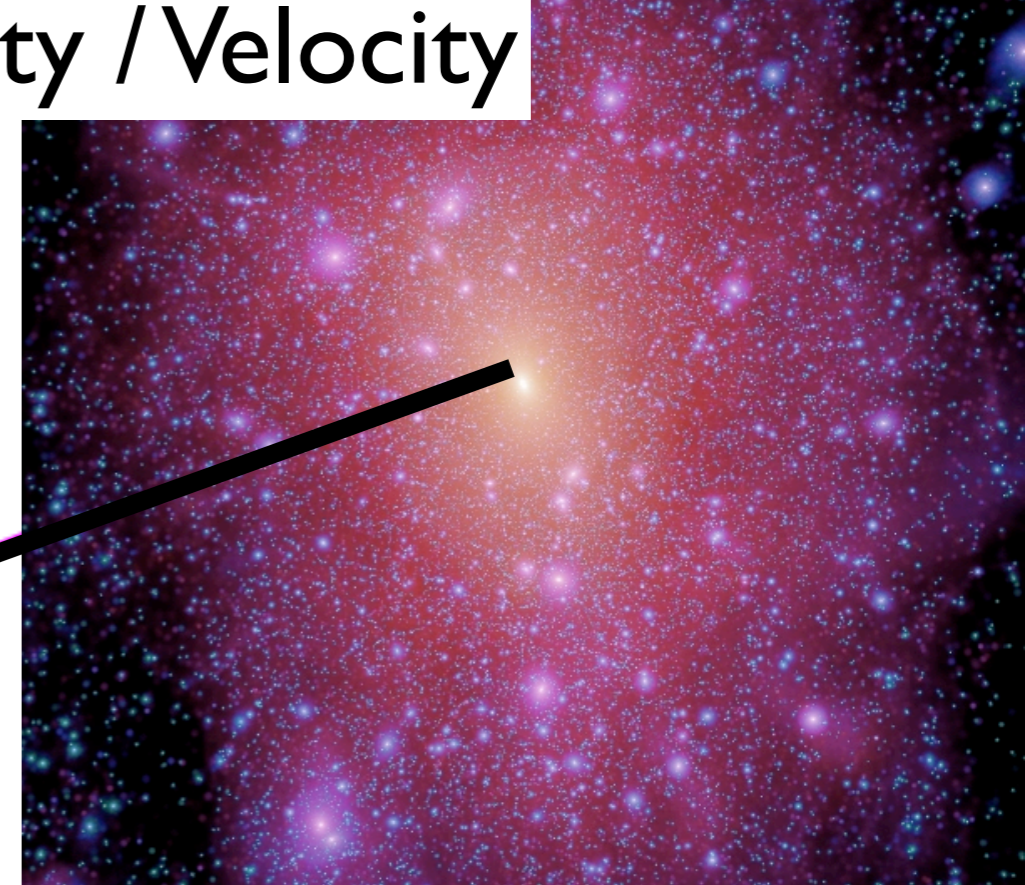
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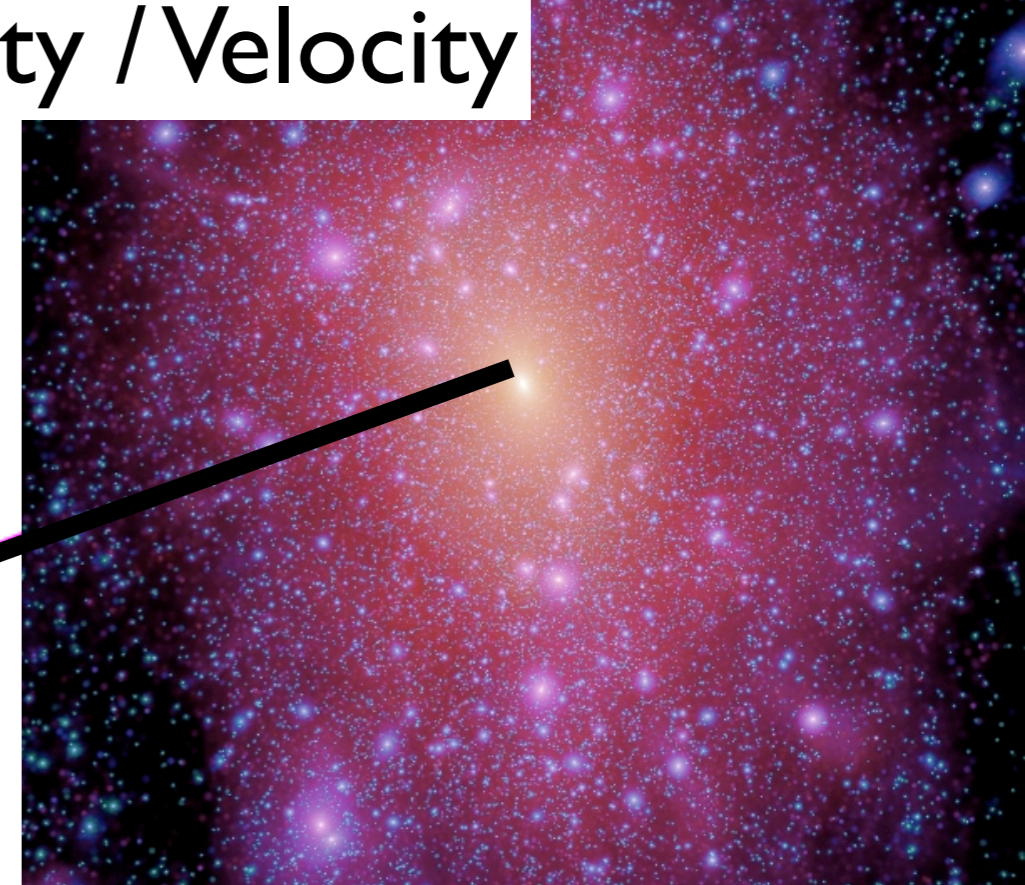
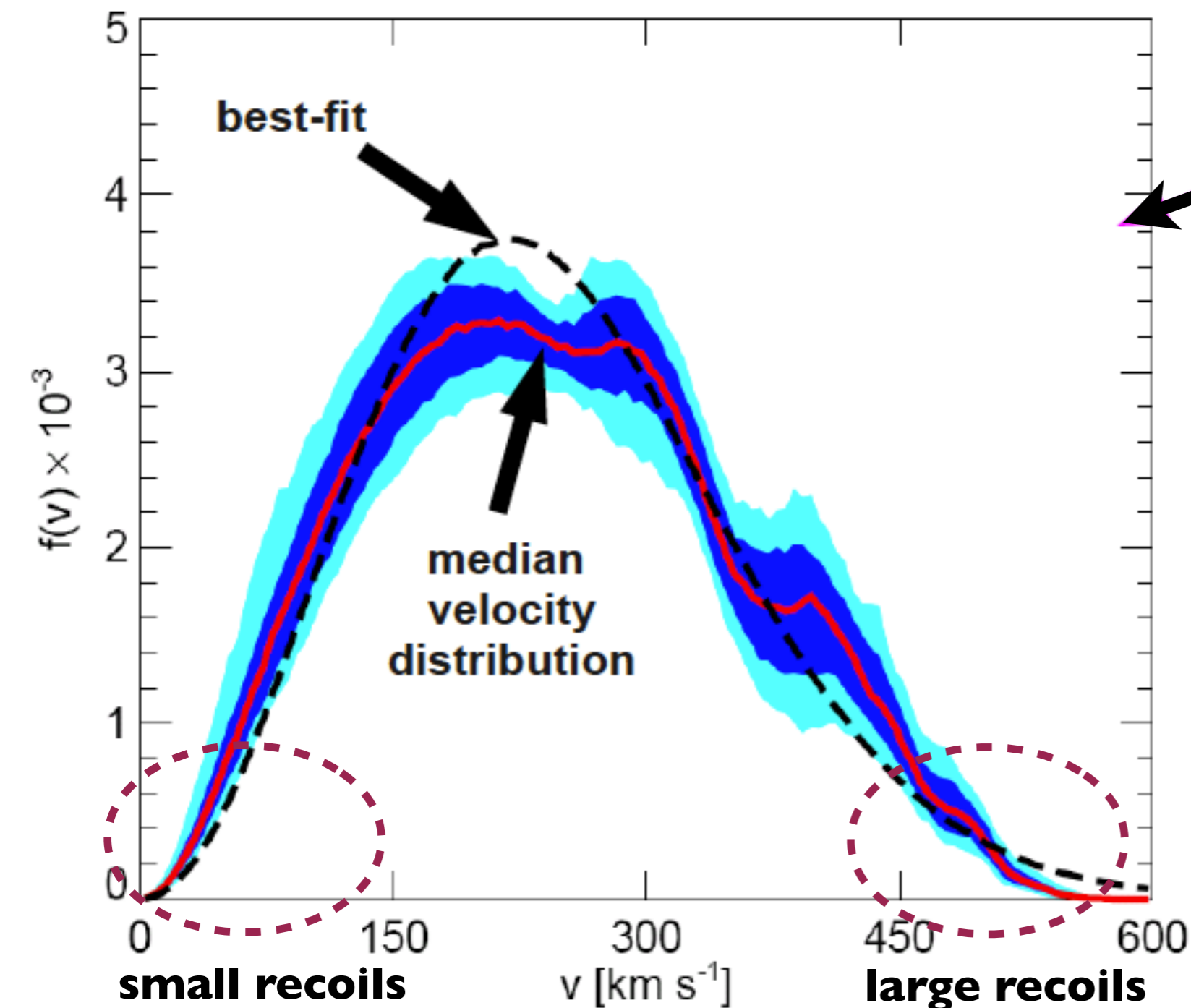
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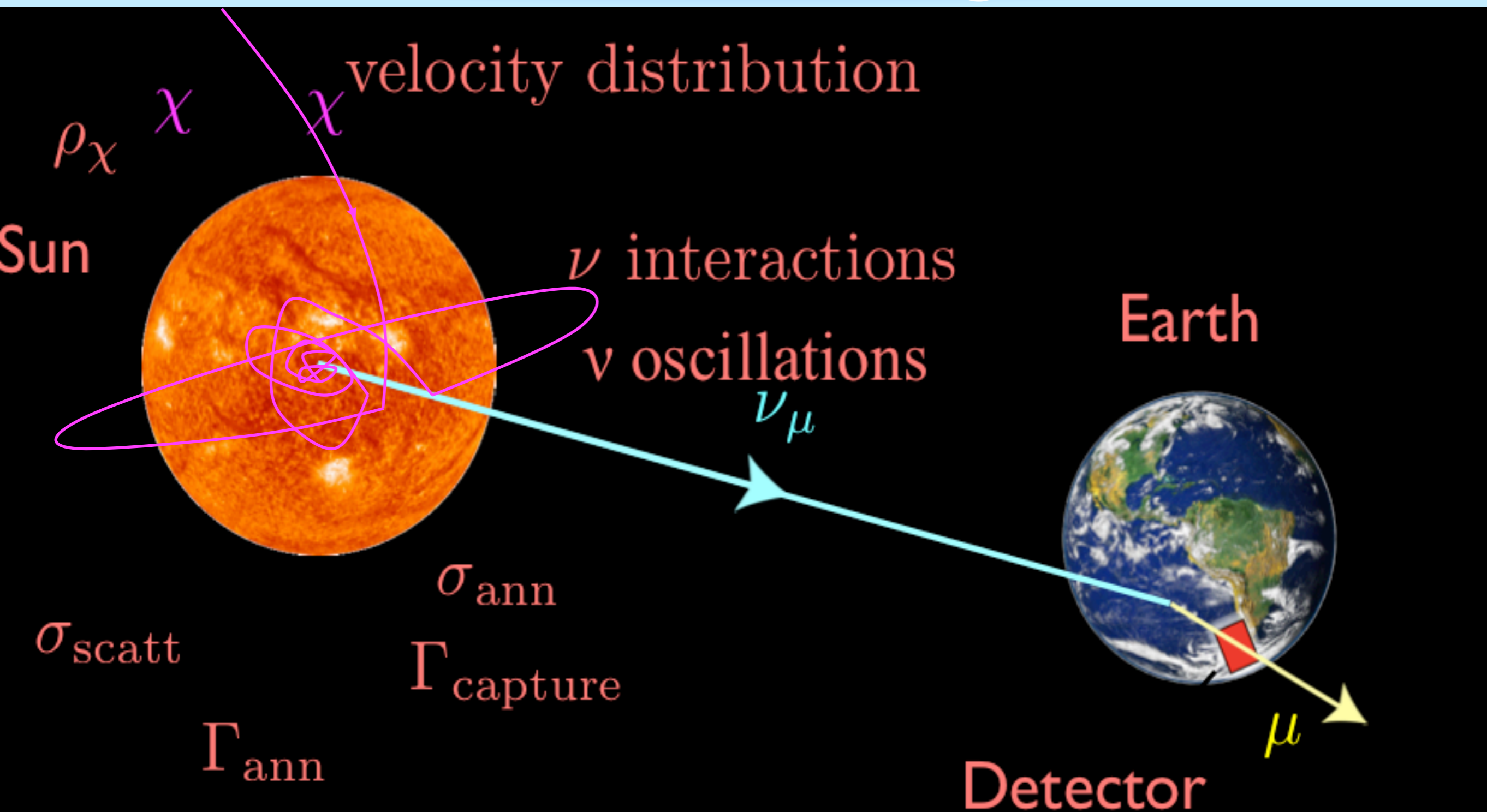
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**“easiest” to be captured  
in the Sun/Earth -  
indirect searches**

**“best sensitivity” with  
direct detection**

# Solar WIMP Signal

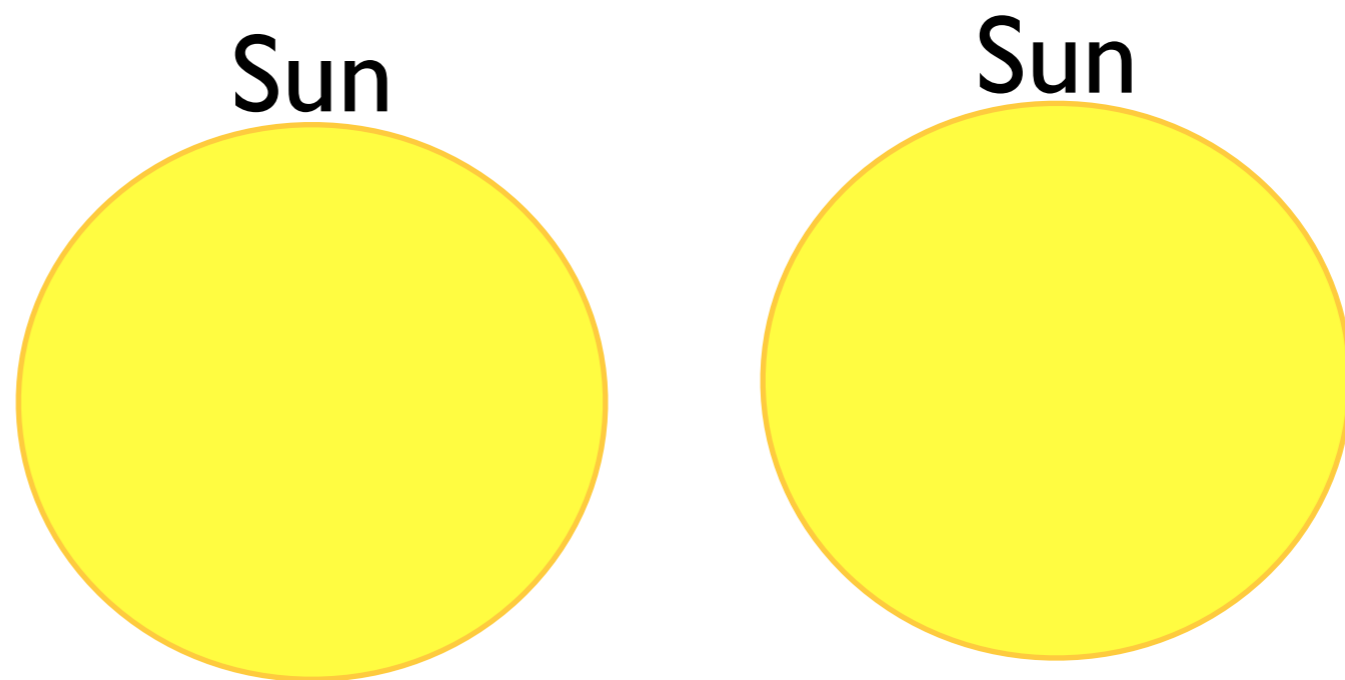


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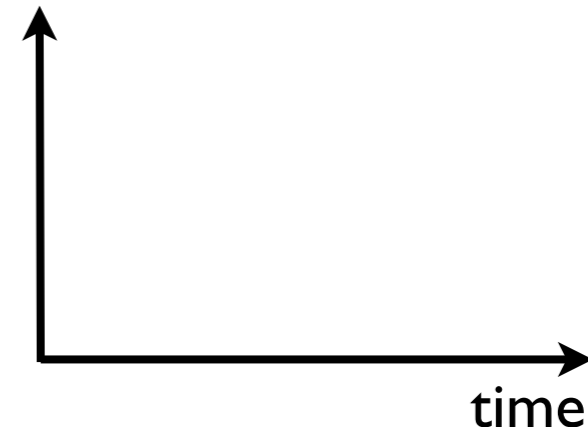
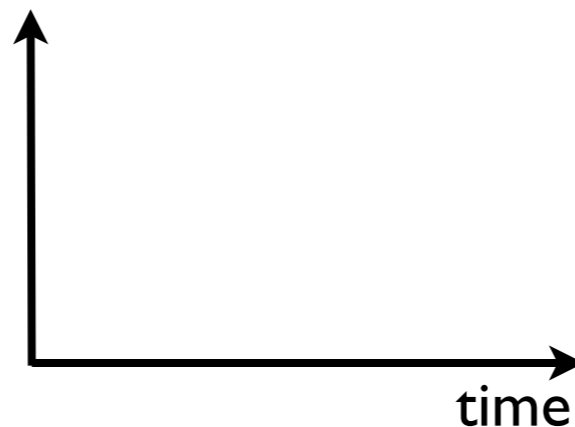
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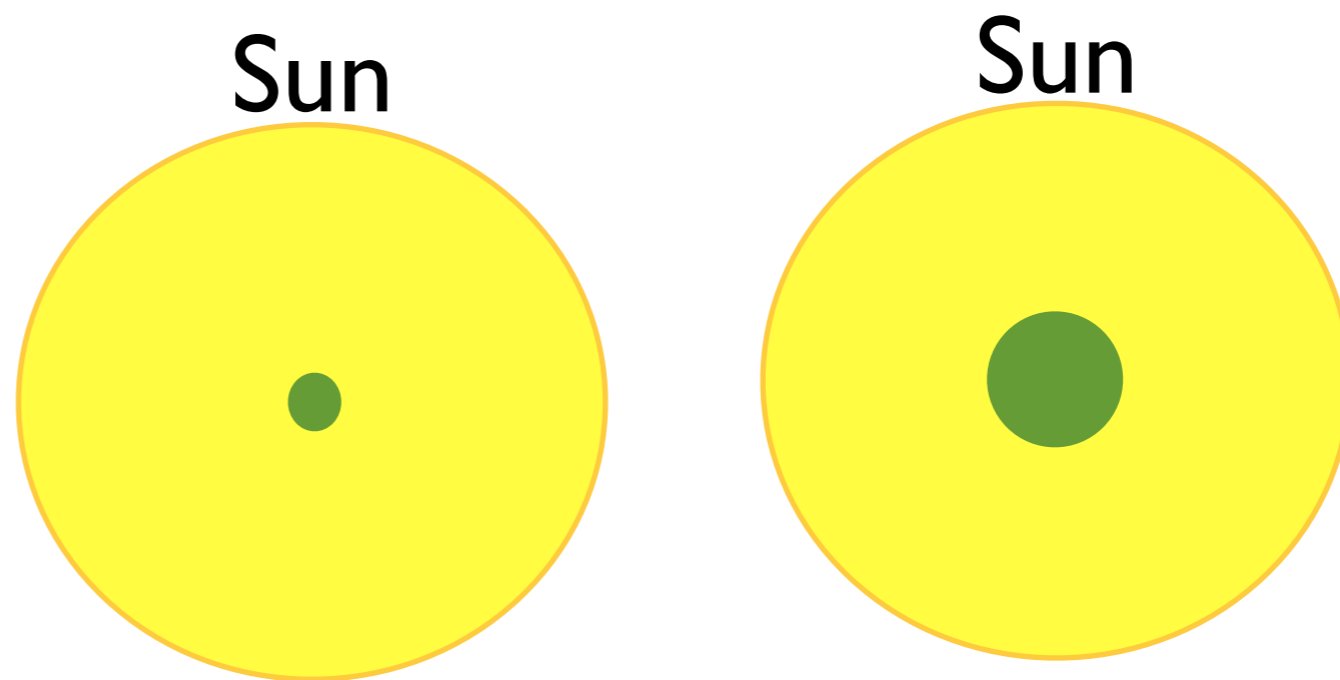
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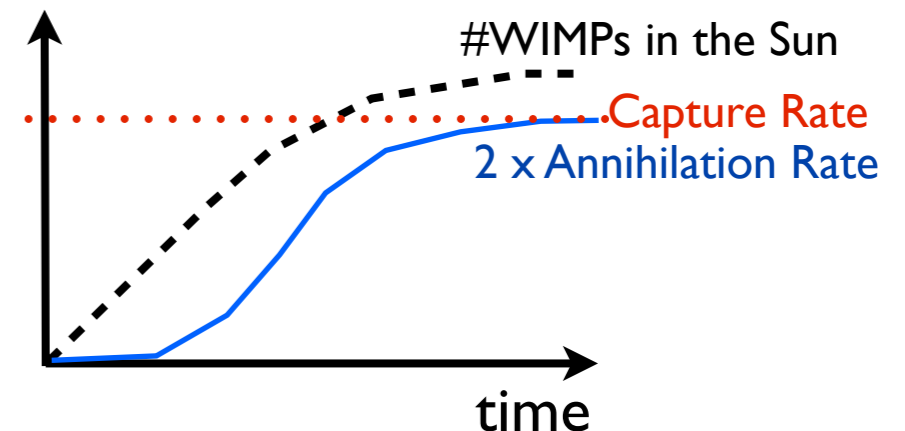
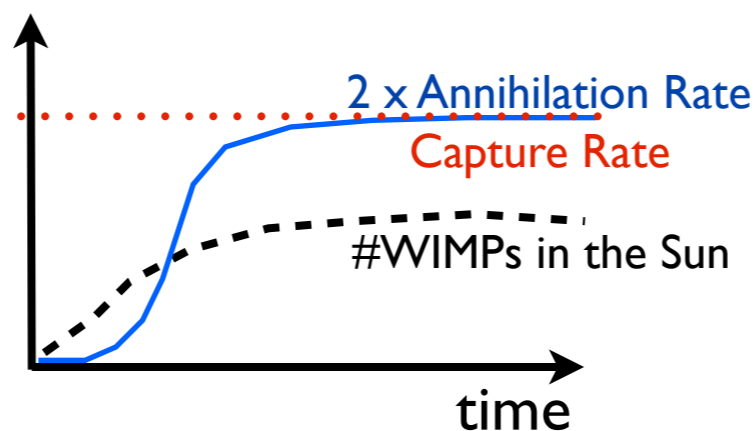
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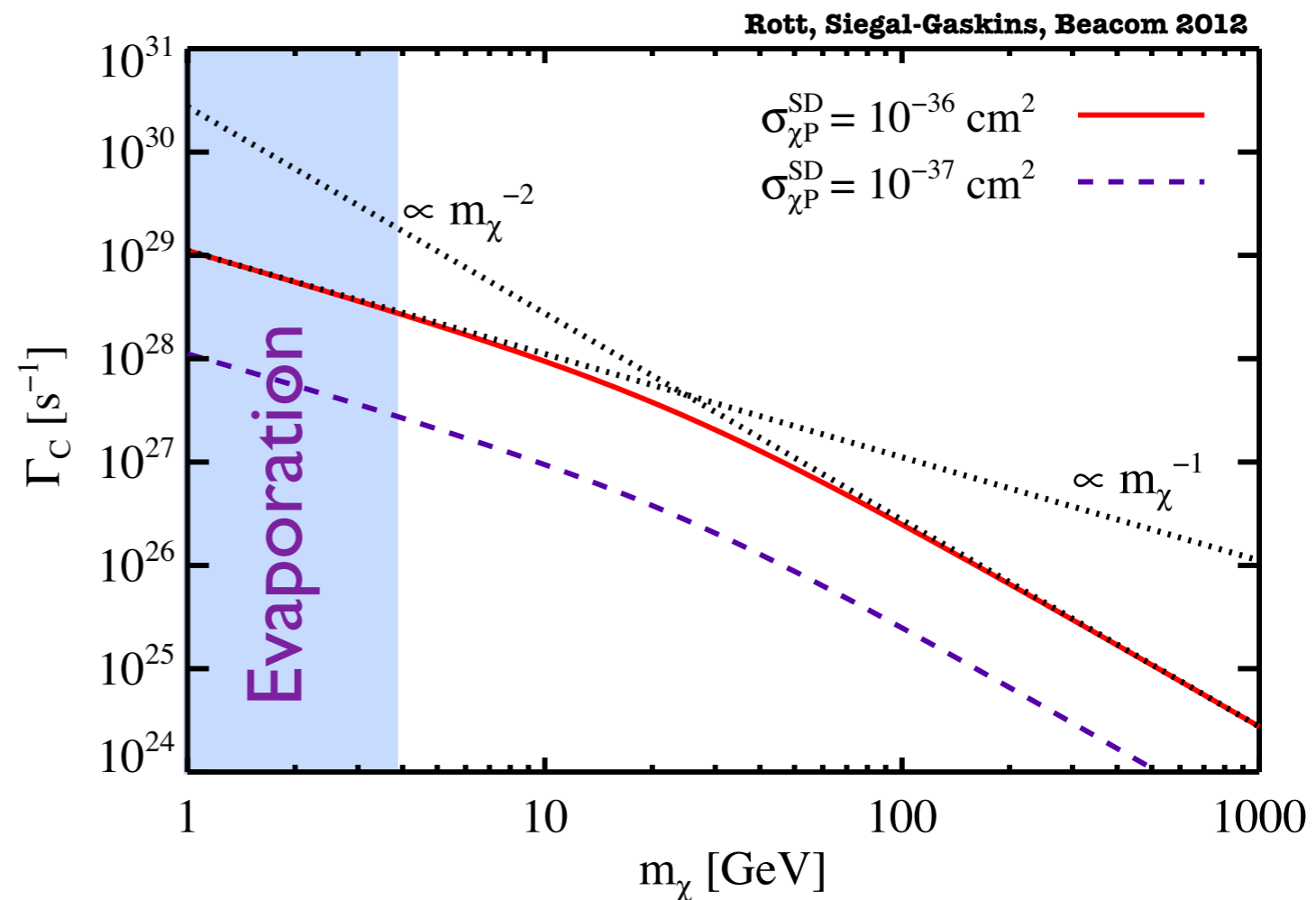
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# Solar WIMP Capture

- WIMPs can get gravitationally captured by the Sun
  - Capture rate,  $\Gamma_C$ , depends on WIMP-nucleon scattering cross section
- Dark Matter accumulates and starts annihilating
  - $\rightarrow$  Only neutrinos can make it out
- Equilibrium: The capture rate regulates the annihilation rate ( $\Gamma_A = \Gamma_C/2$ )
  - The neutrino flux only depends on the WIMP-Nucleon scattering cross section



The capture rates scales as:

$$\Gamma_C \sim \rho_\chi m_\chi^{-1} \sigma_A \quad \text{for } m_\chi \sim m_A$$

$$\Gamma_C \sim \rho_\chi m_\chi^{-2} \sigma_A \quad \text{for } m_\chi \gg m_A$$

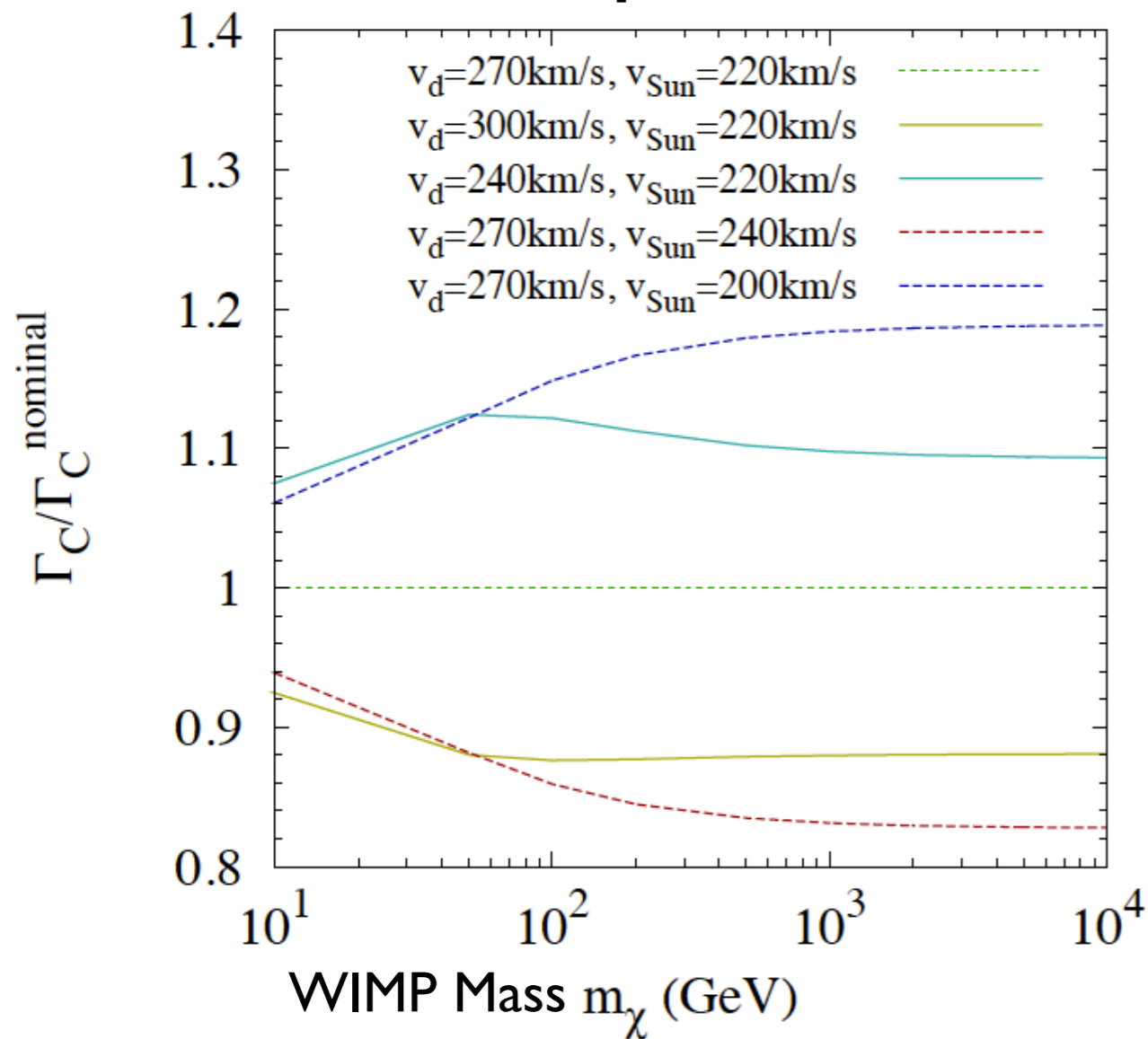
number density + kinematic suppression

$m_A$  - is the target mass

# Halo Uncertainties on the capture rate

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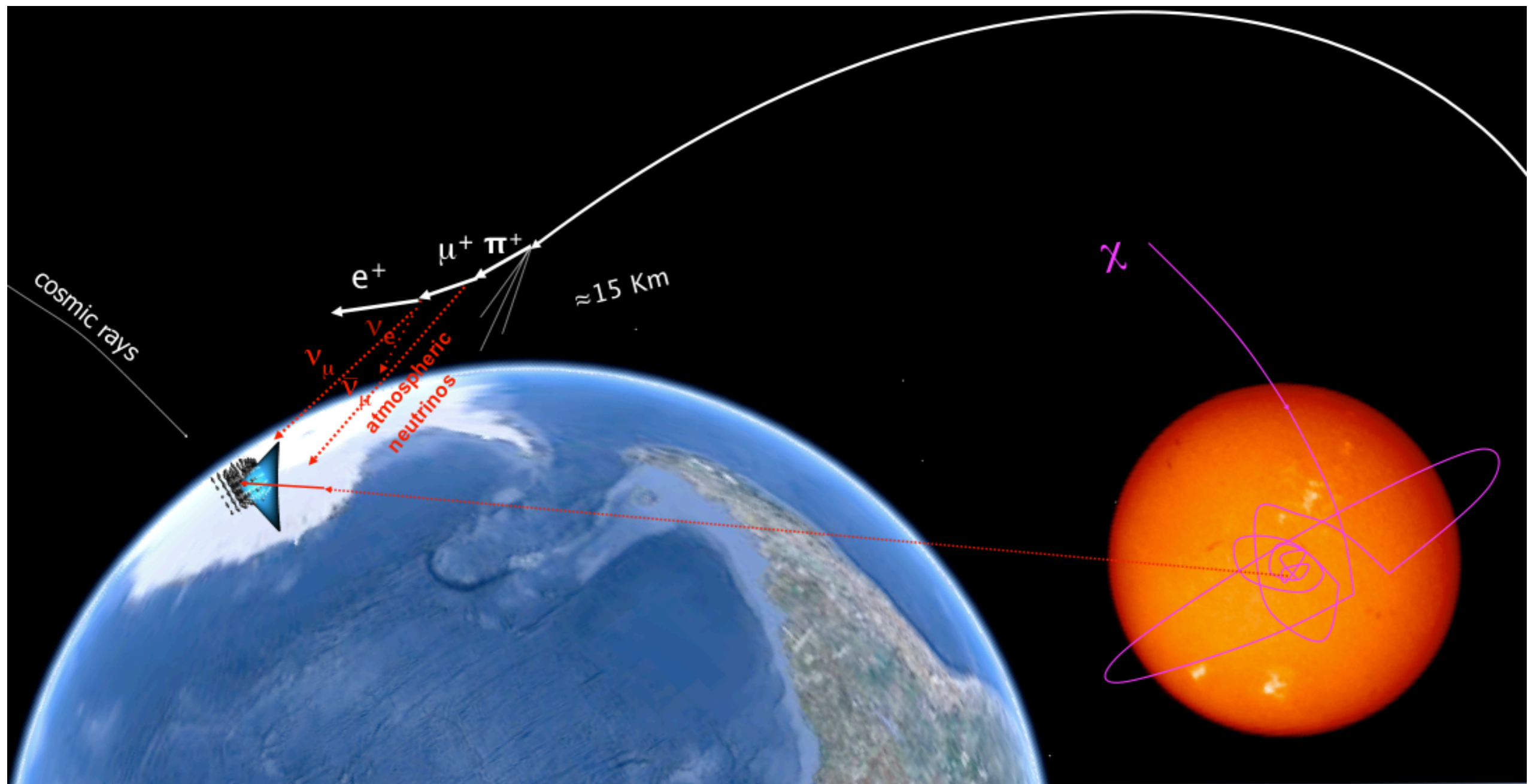
## Effect on Capture Rate $\Gamma_C$



- While uncertainties in the dark matter distribution can result in significantly different annihilation rates in the Sun, results tend to be on the conservative side
- Direct detections have to deal with the same uncertainties, and interpretations of results is by no means simpler
- Sun iron's out fluctuations in the local density or velocity distribution

Assume a Maxwellian velocity distribution of the WIMPs outside the potential well of the Sun with a dispersion of  $v_d$   
Circular velocity of the Sun is assumed to be  $v_{\text{SUN}}=220\text{km/s}$

# Search for Solar WIMPs



# Principle of an optical Neutrino

Array of optical sensors capture the light

Cherenkov Radiation

$41^\circ$

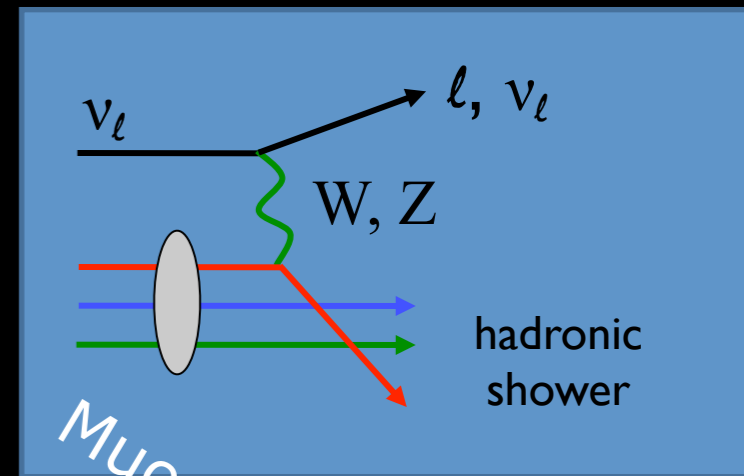
Muon

$\mu$

interaction

Muon Neutrino

- Neutrinos interact in or near the detector
- Depending on the interaction a lepton (CC) or a shower (NC) is produced
- $O$  (km) muons from  $\nu_\mu$
- $O$  (10m) cascades from  $\nu_e, \nu_\tau, NC$



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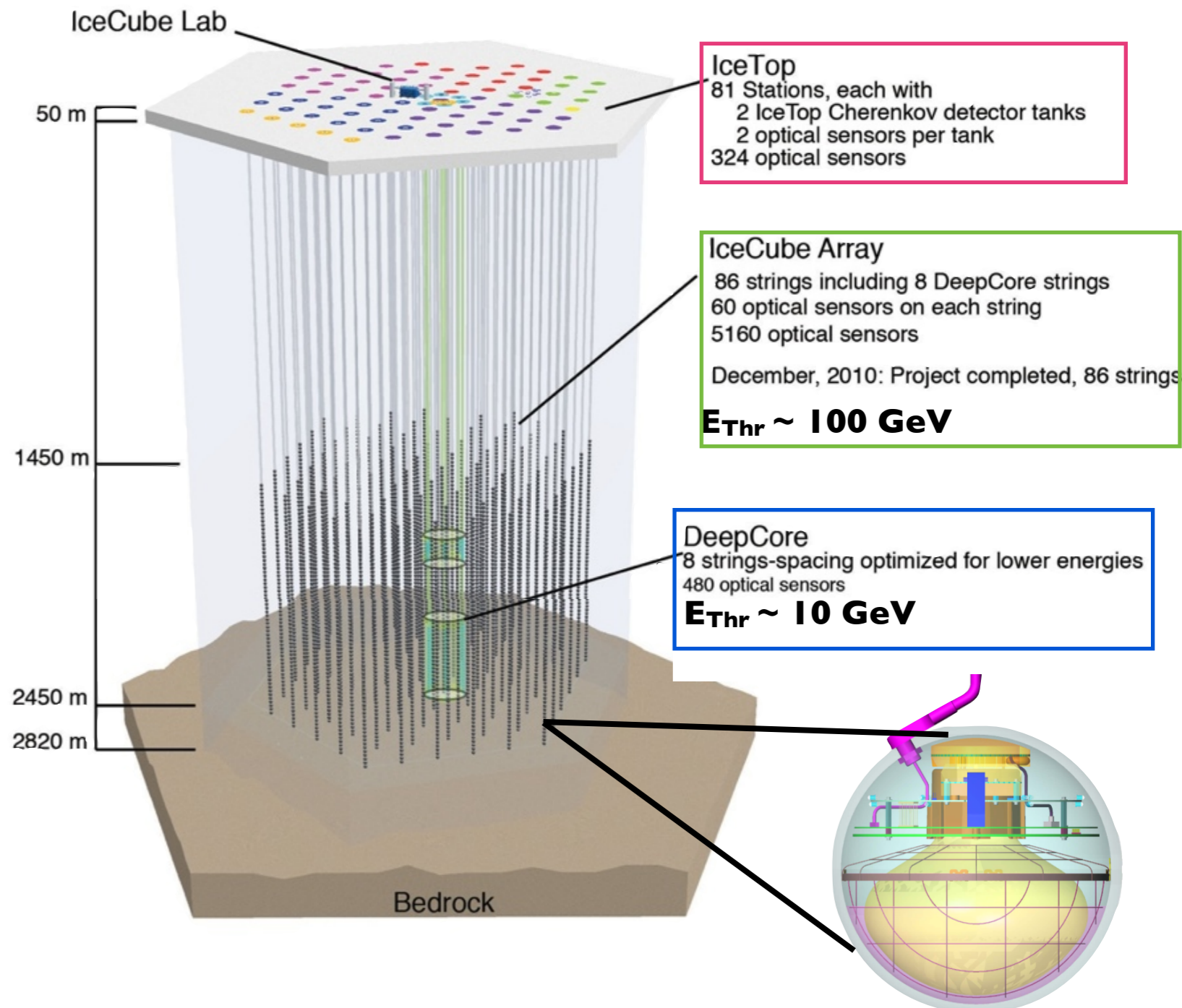
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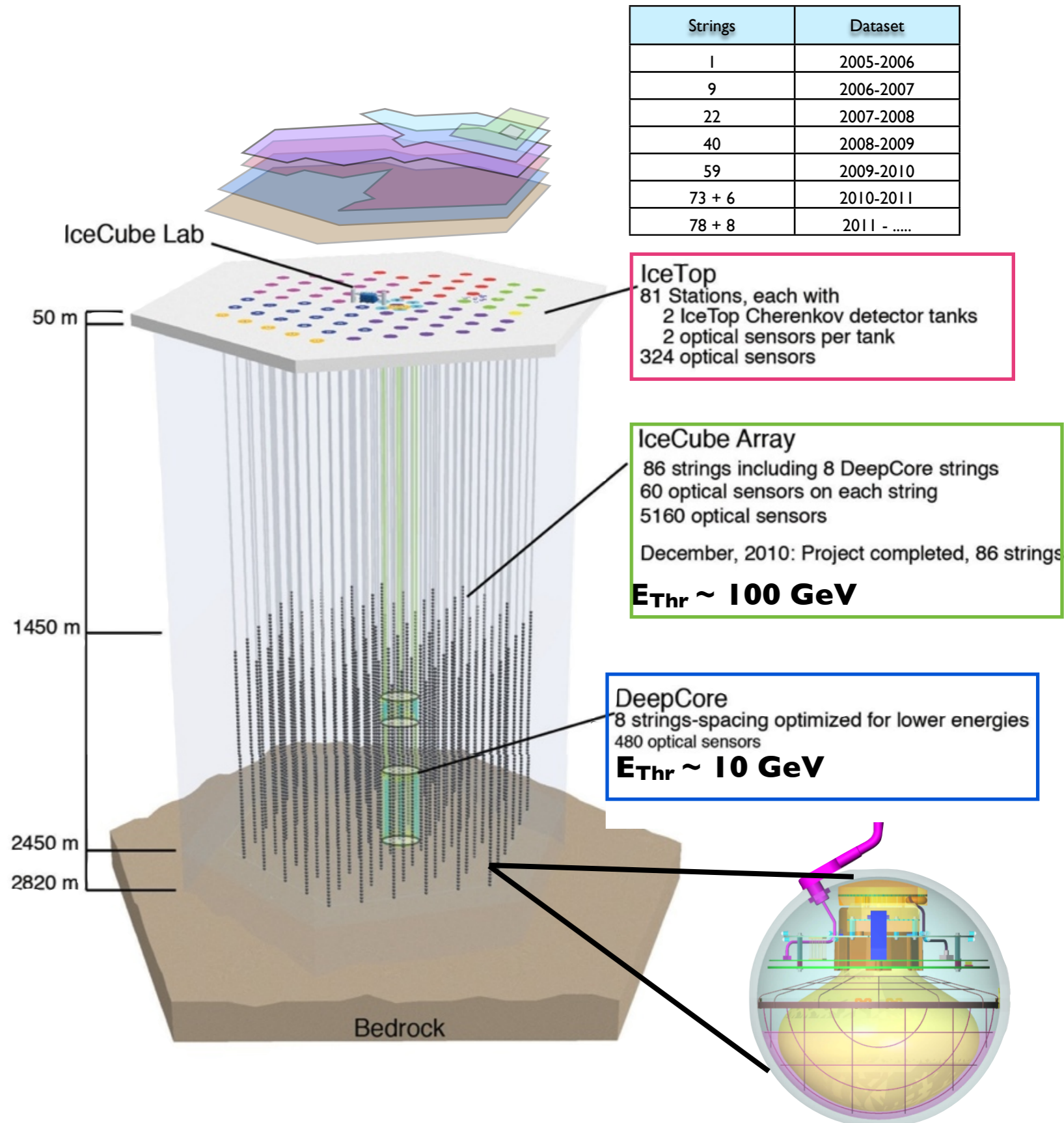
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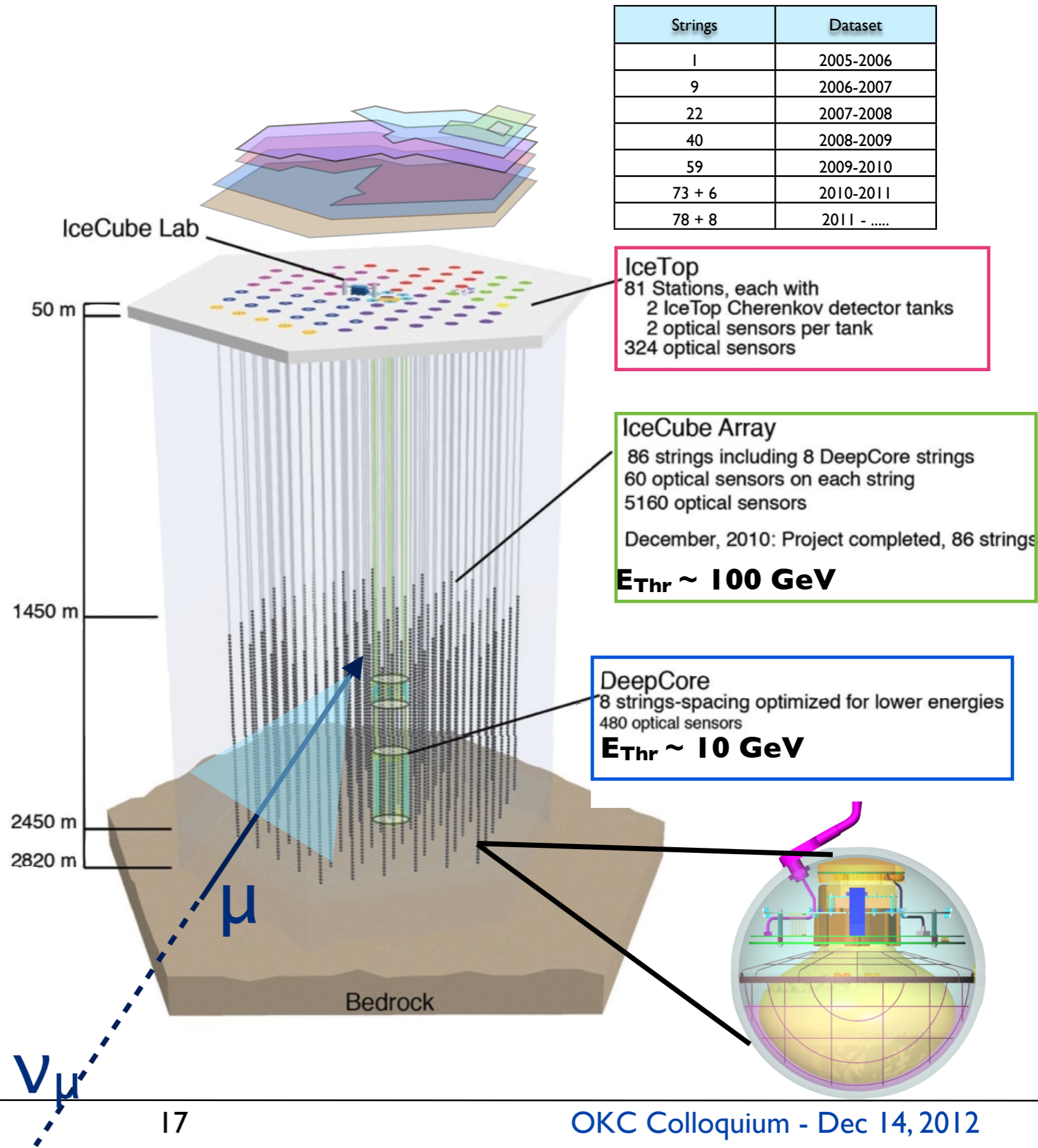
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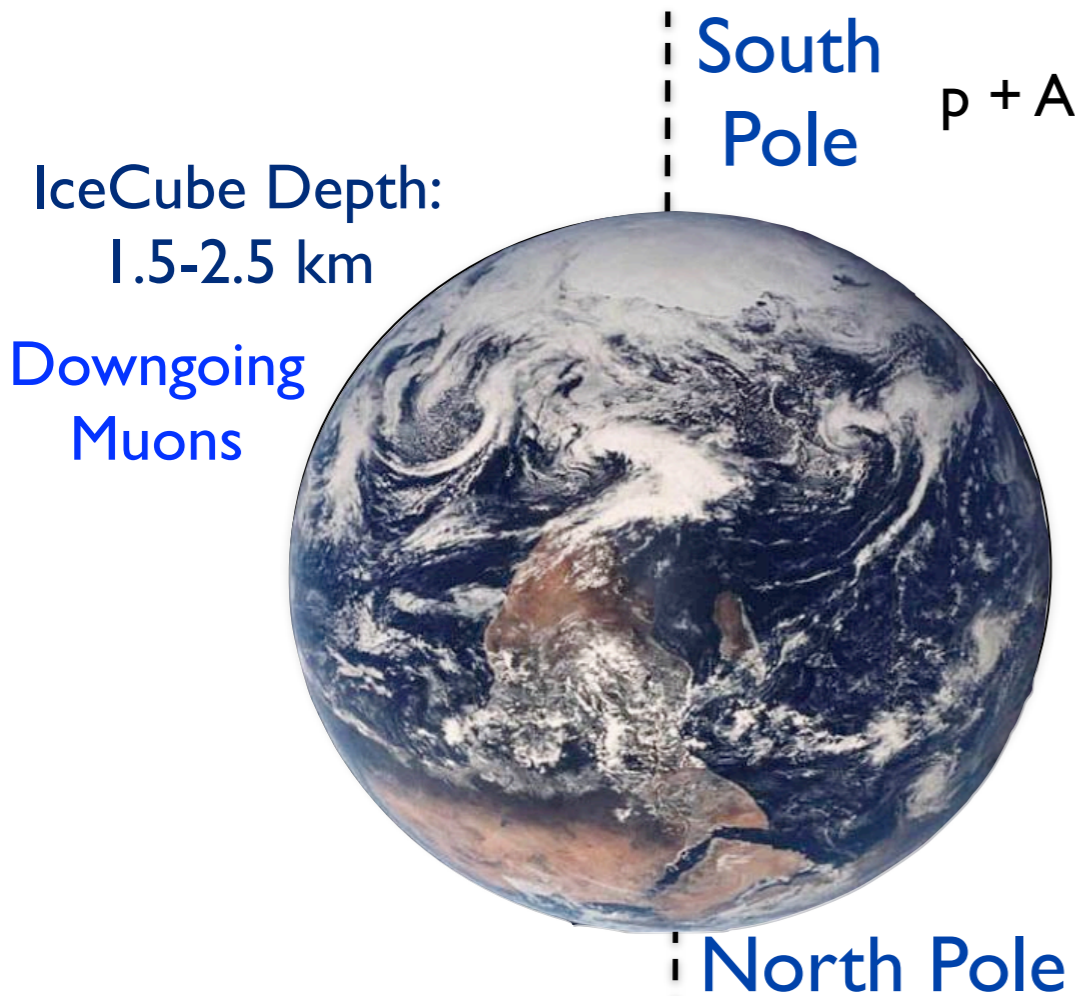
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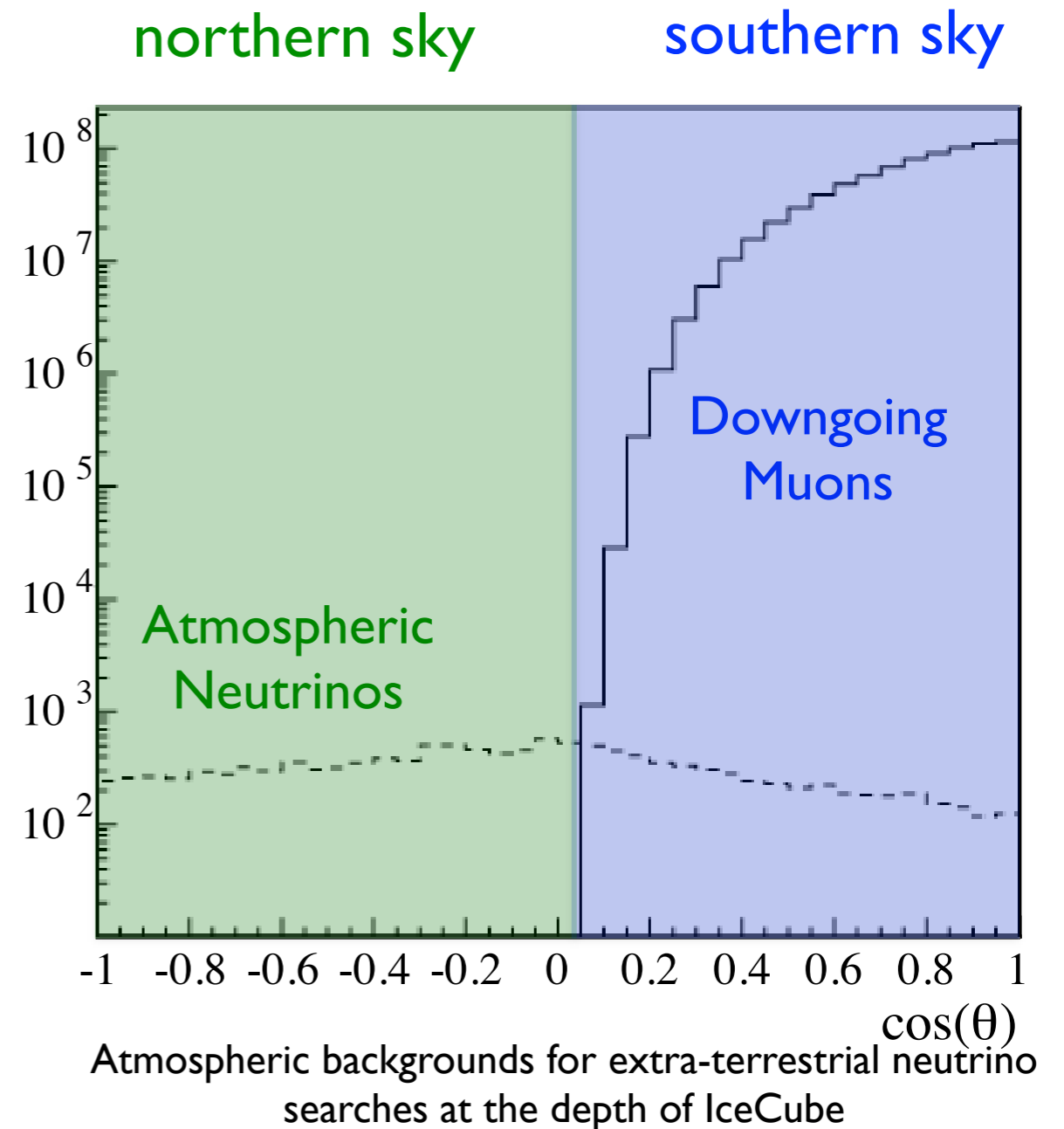


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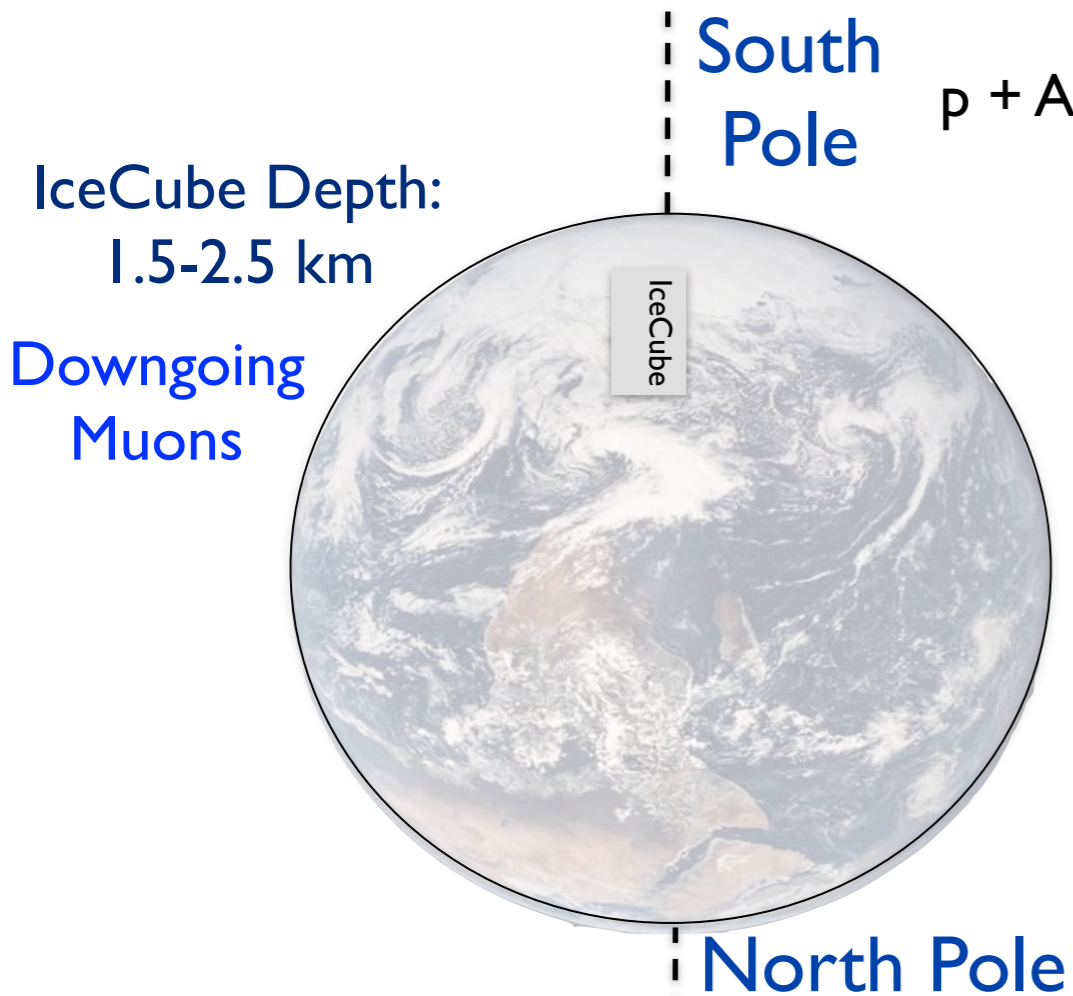


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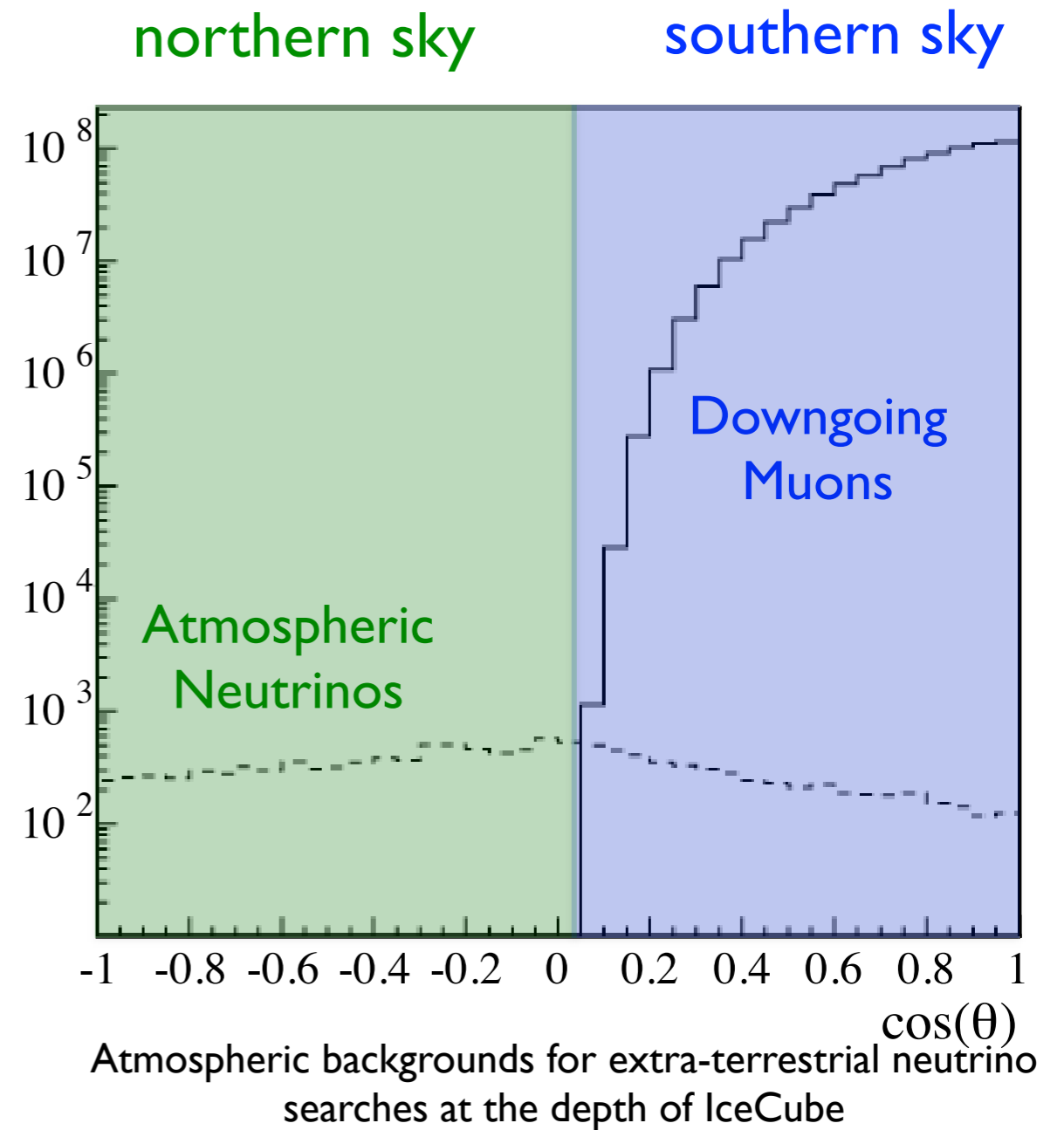
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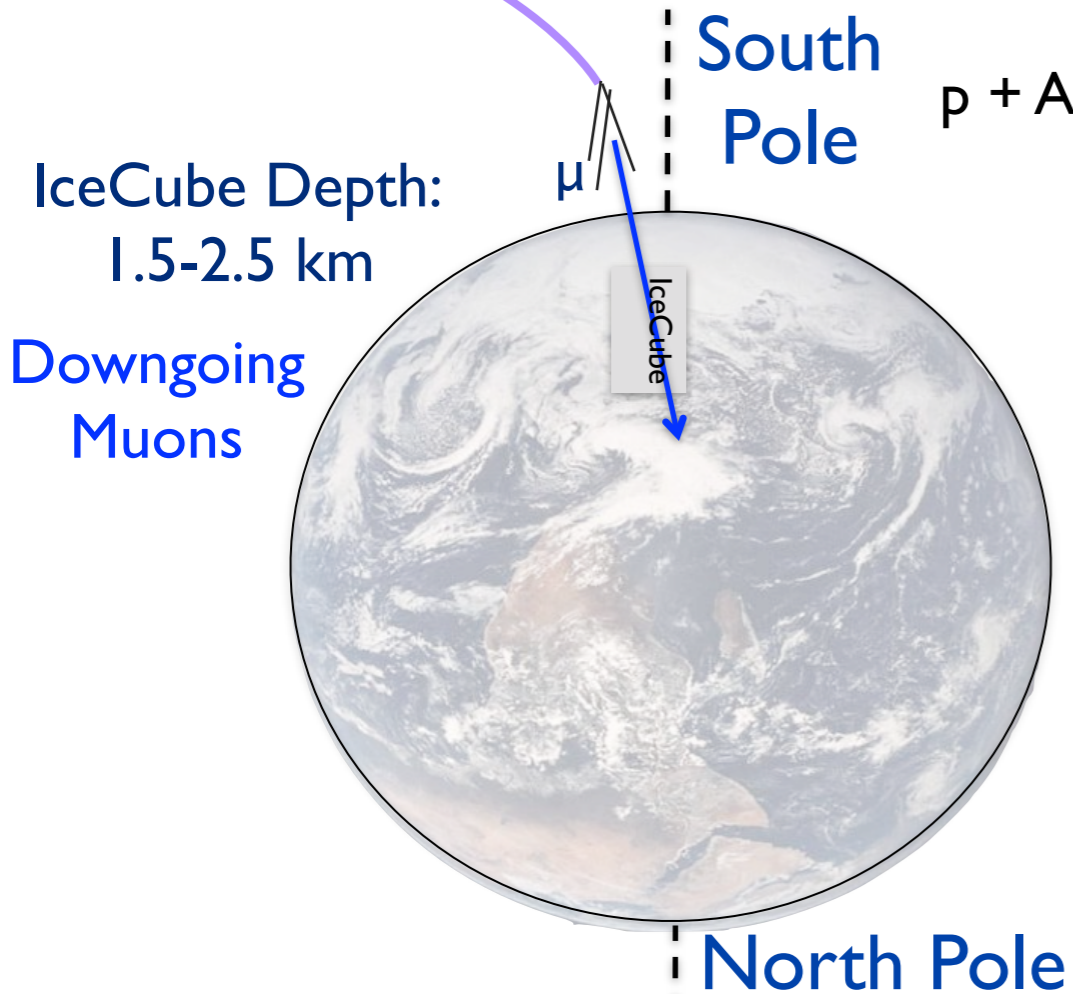


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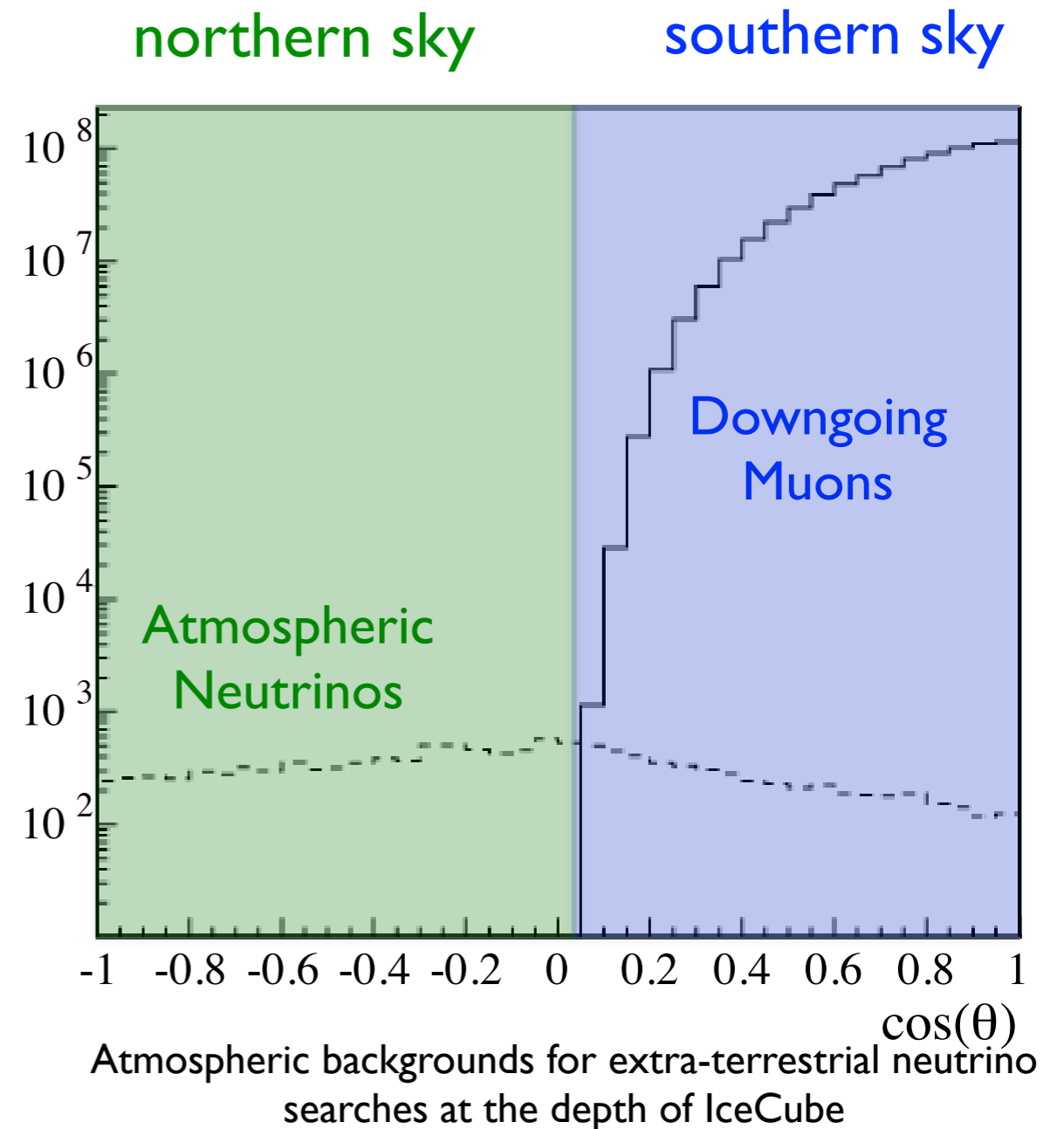


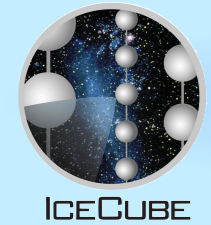


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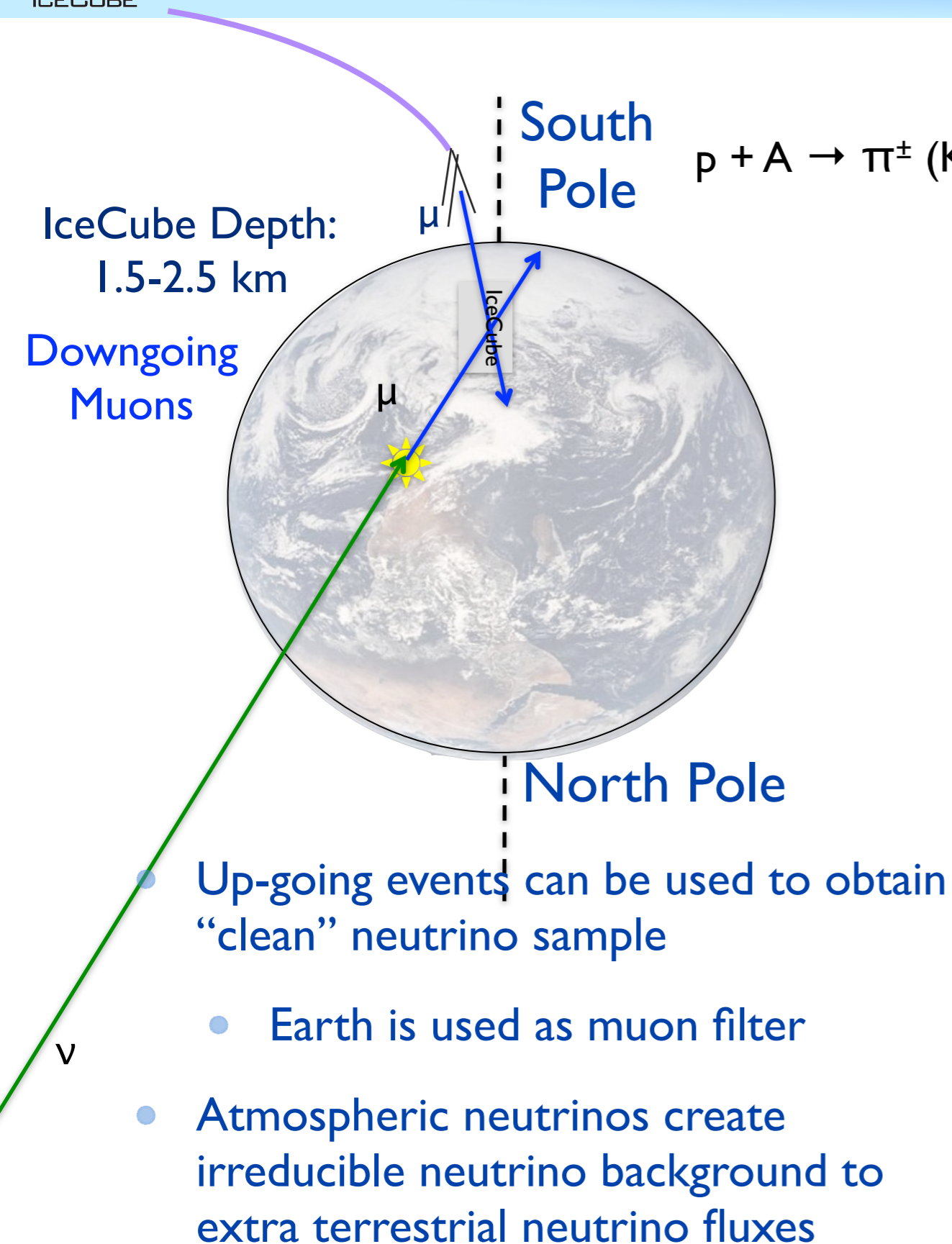


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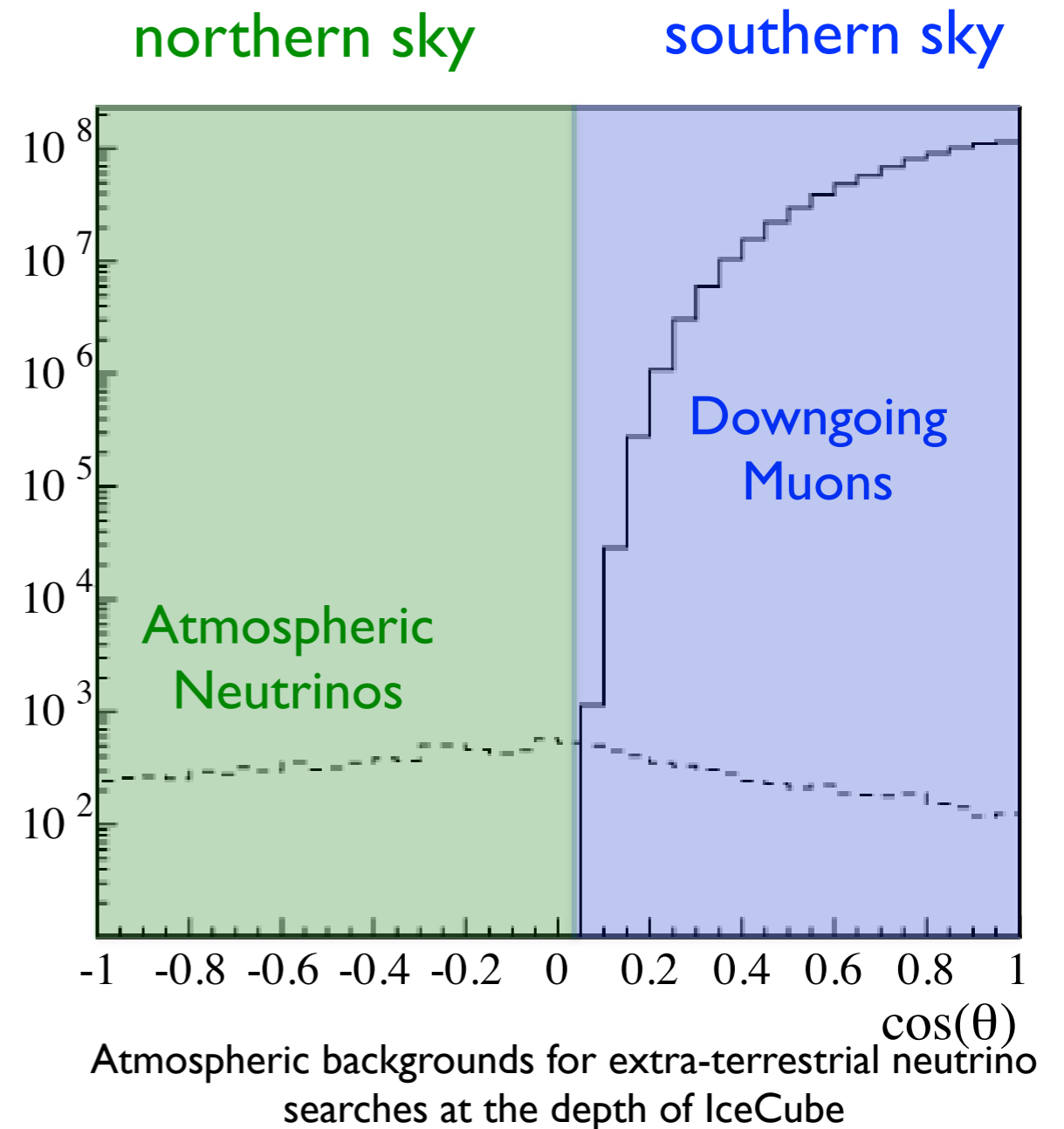




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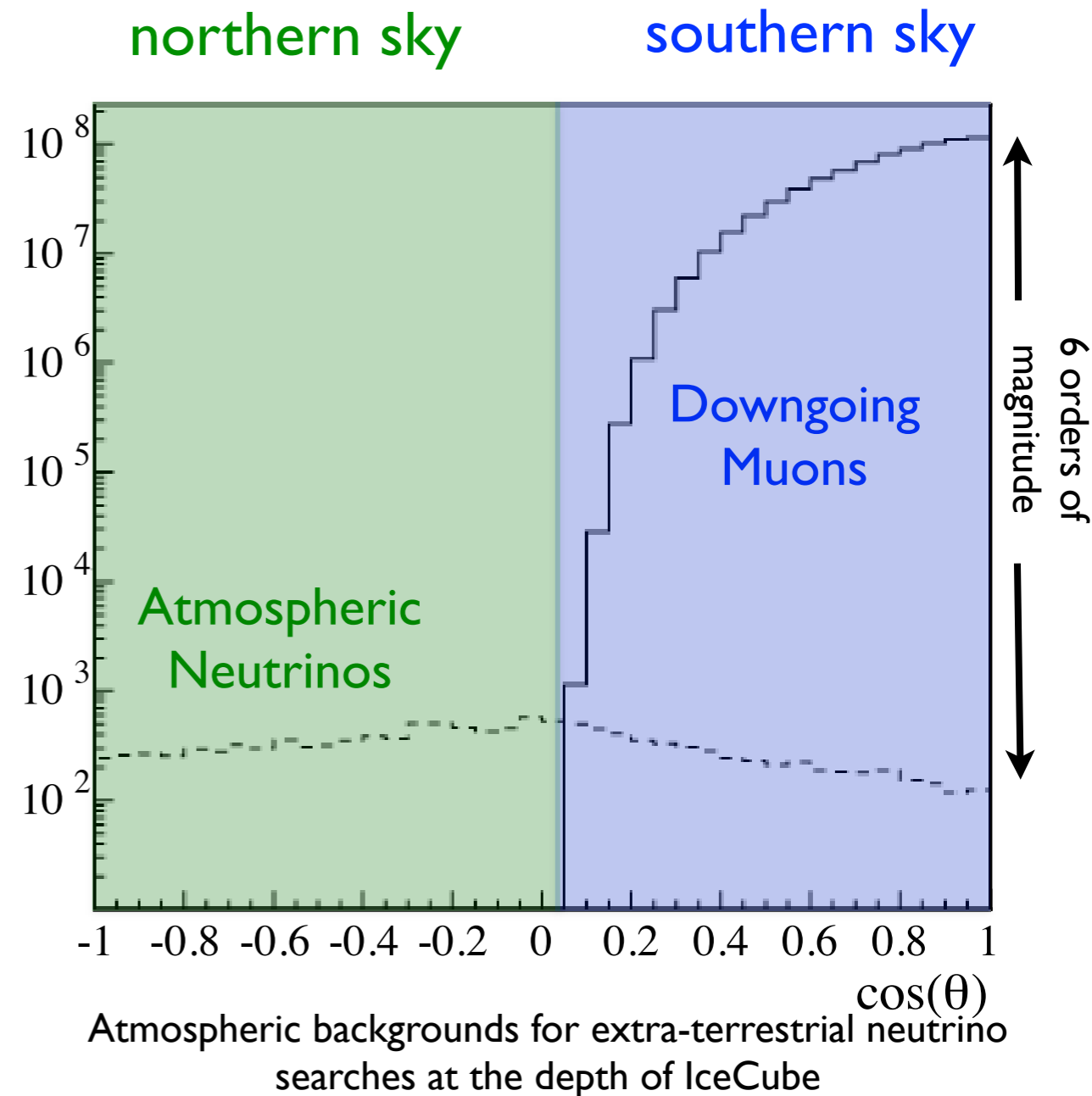
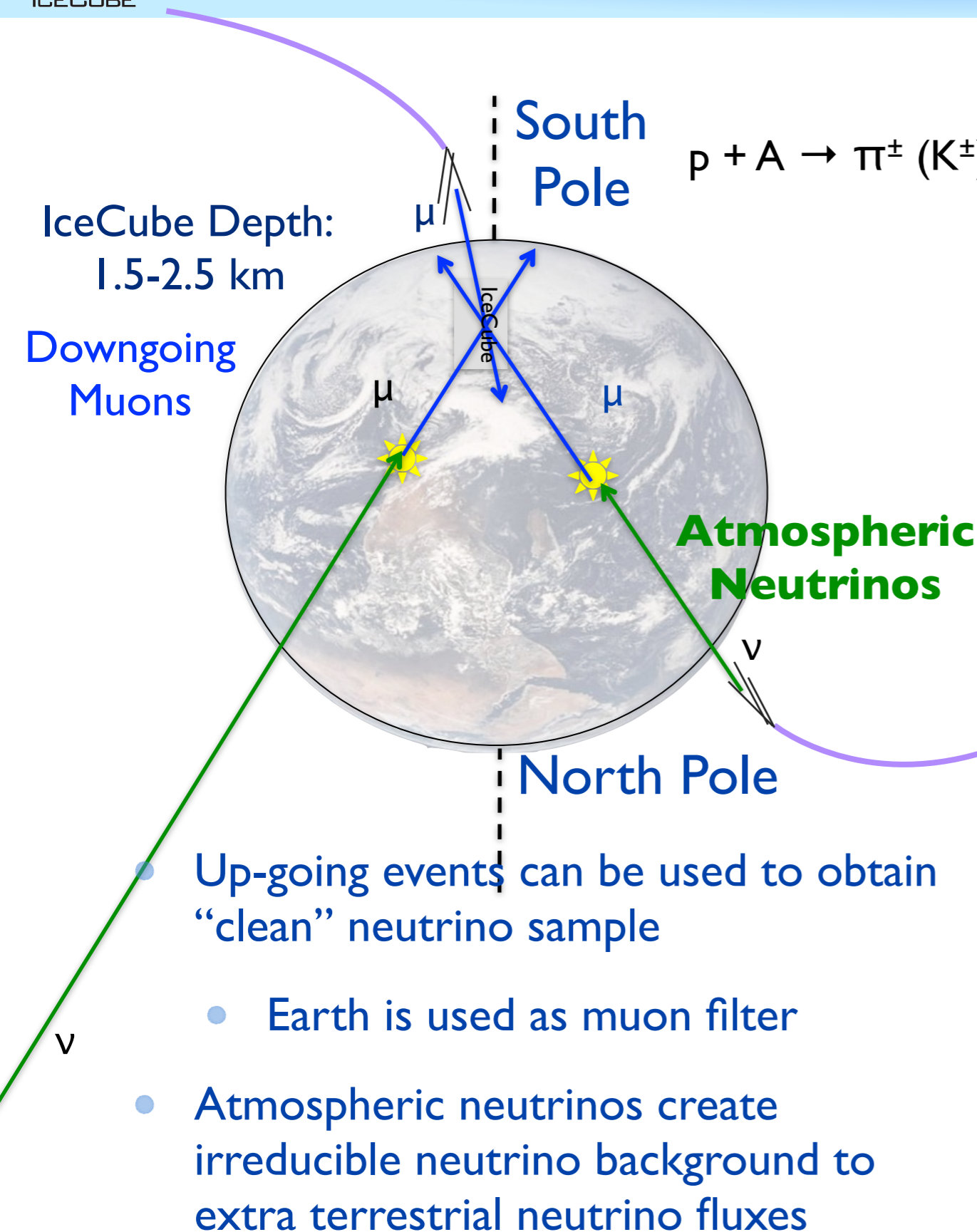


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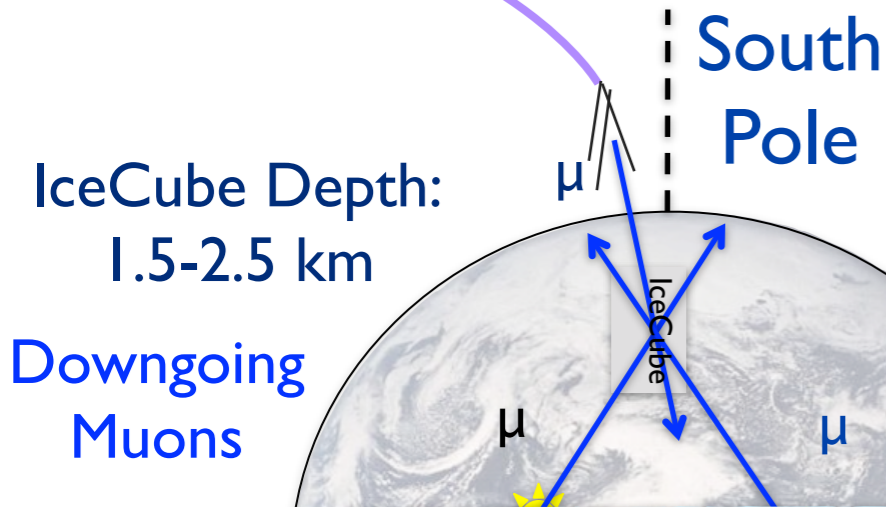


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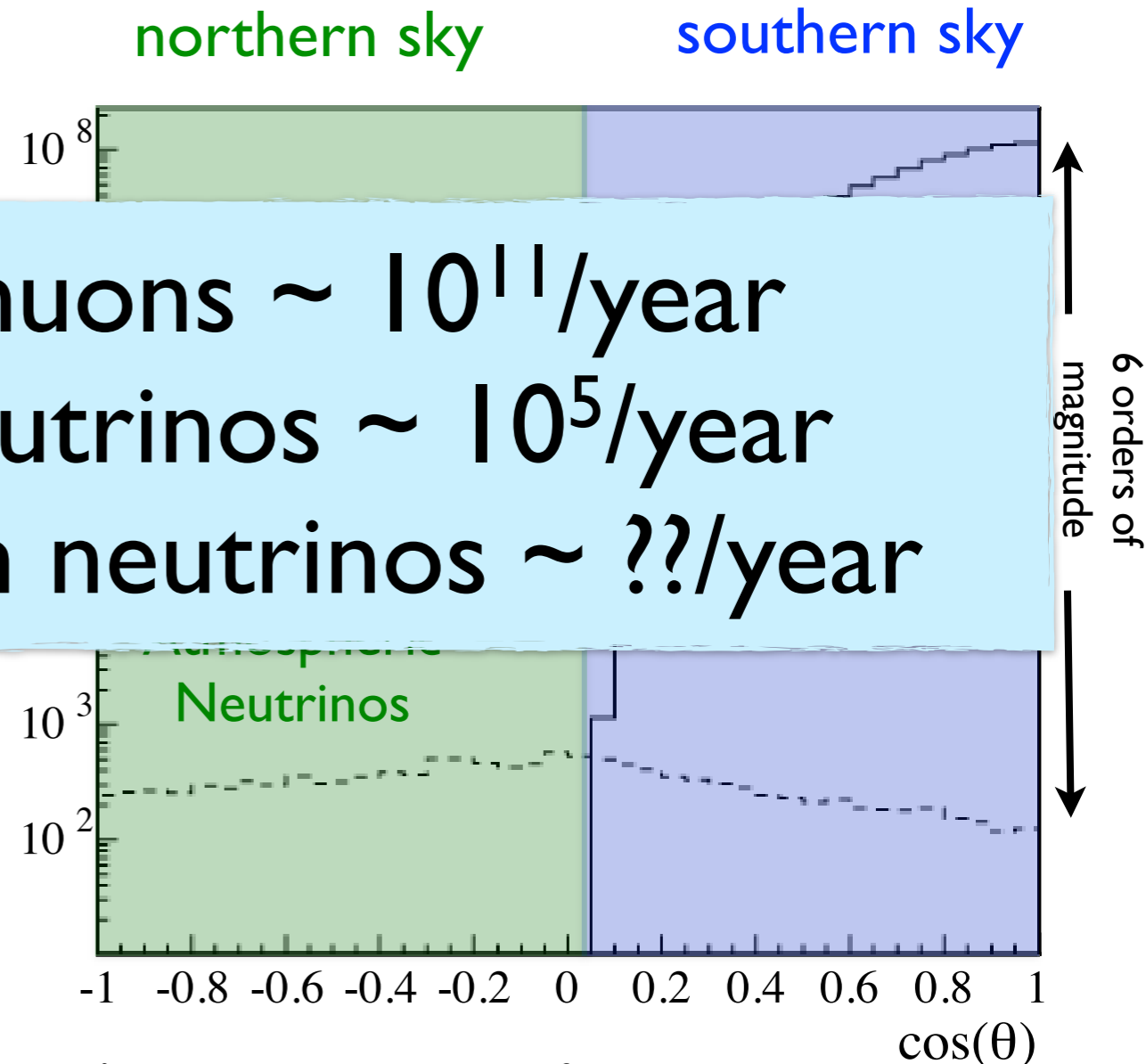




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Atmospheric muons  $\sim 10^{11}/\text{year}$   
 Atmospheric neutrinos  $\sim 10^5/\text{year}$   
 WIMP annihilation neutrinos  $\sim ??/\text{year}$



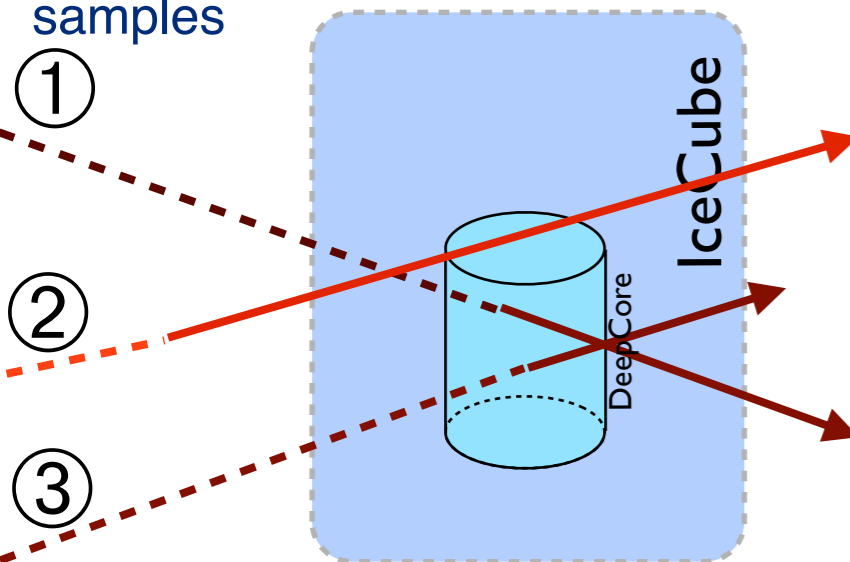
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# IceCube/DeepCore Solar WIMP Analysis

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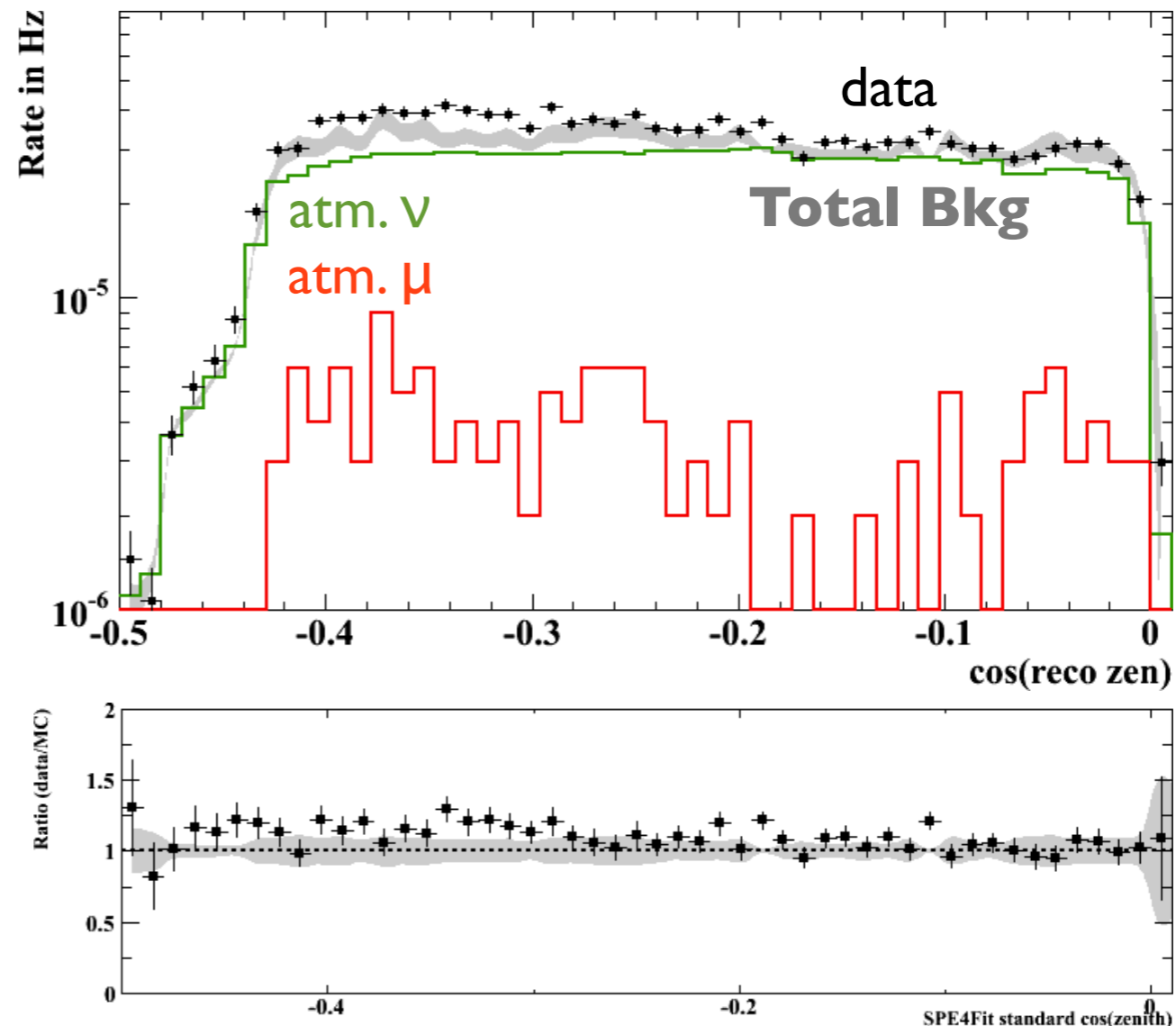
IceCube 79-string 318days (May 2010 - May 2011)

Analysis performed separately for austral summer (Sun above horizon) and austral winter (Sun below horizon) - 3 independent samples



Compare distribution of the final sample to these PDFs of background and signal to determine most likely signal content and combine likelihoods, weighted by relative livetime

## ② Event Selection (Winter, High energy, 151 days)

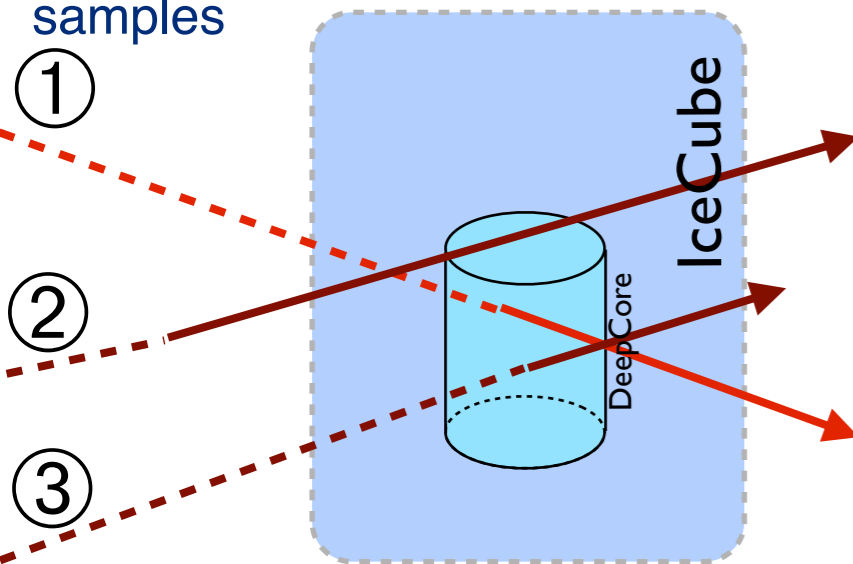


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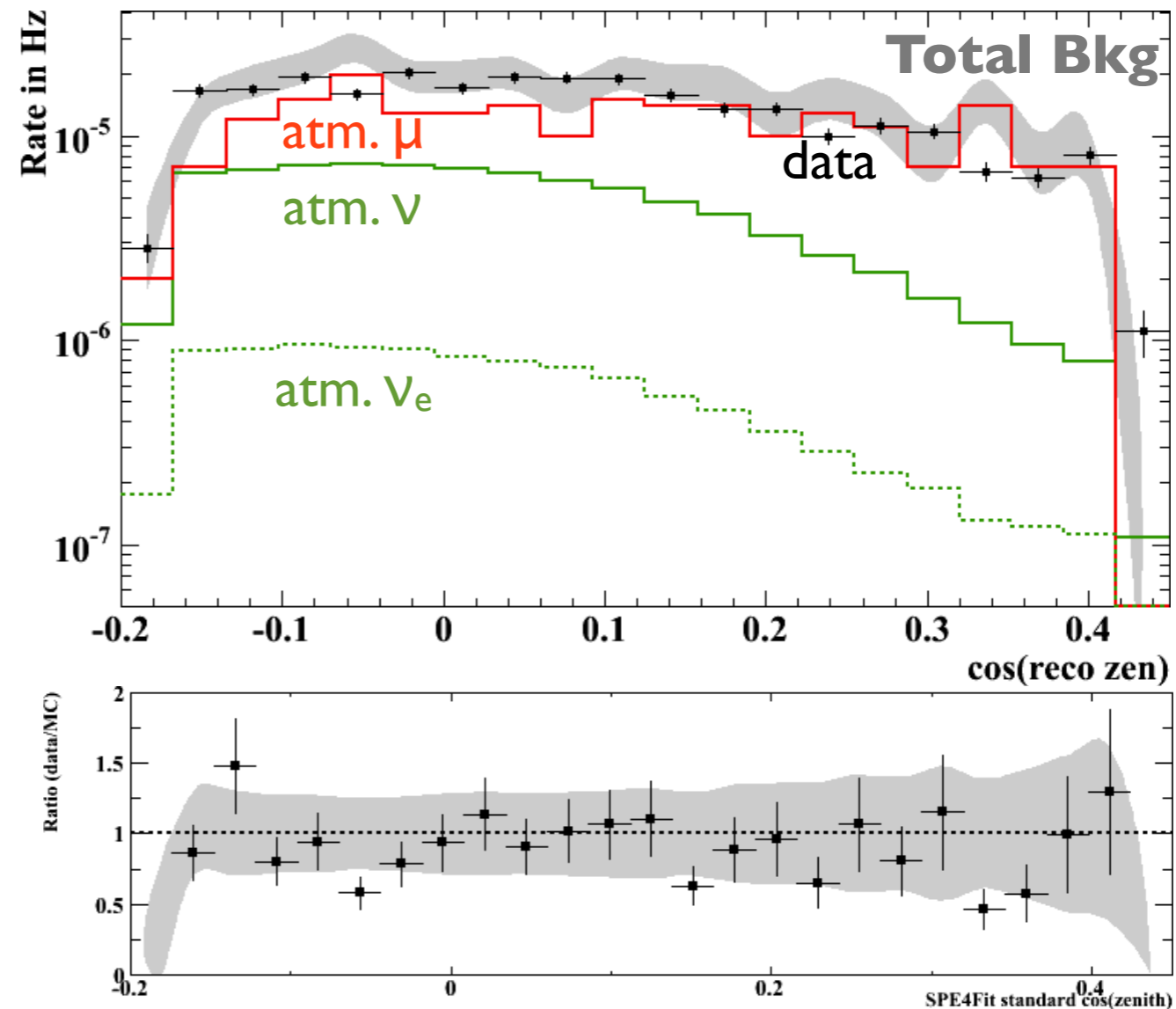
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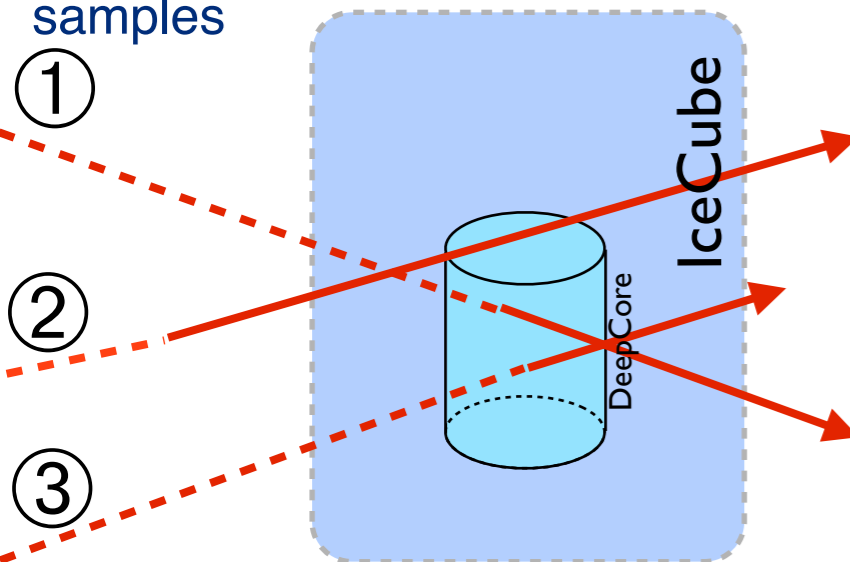


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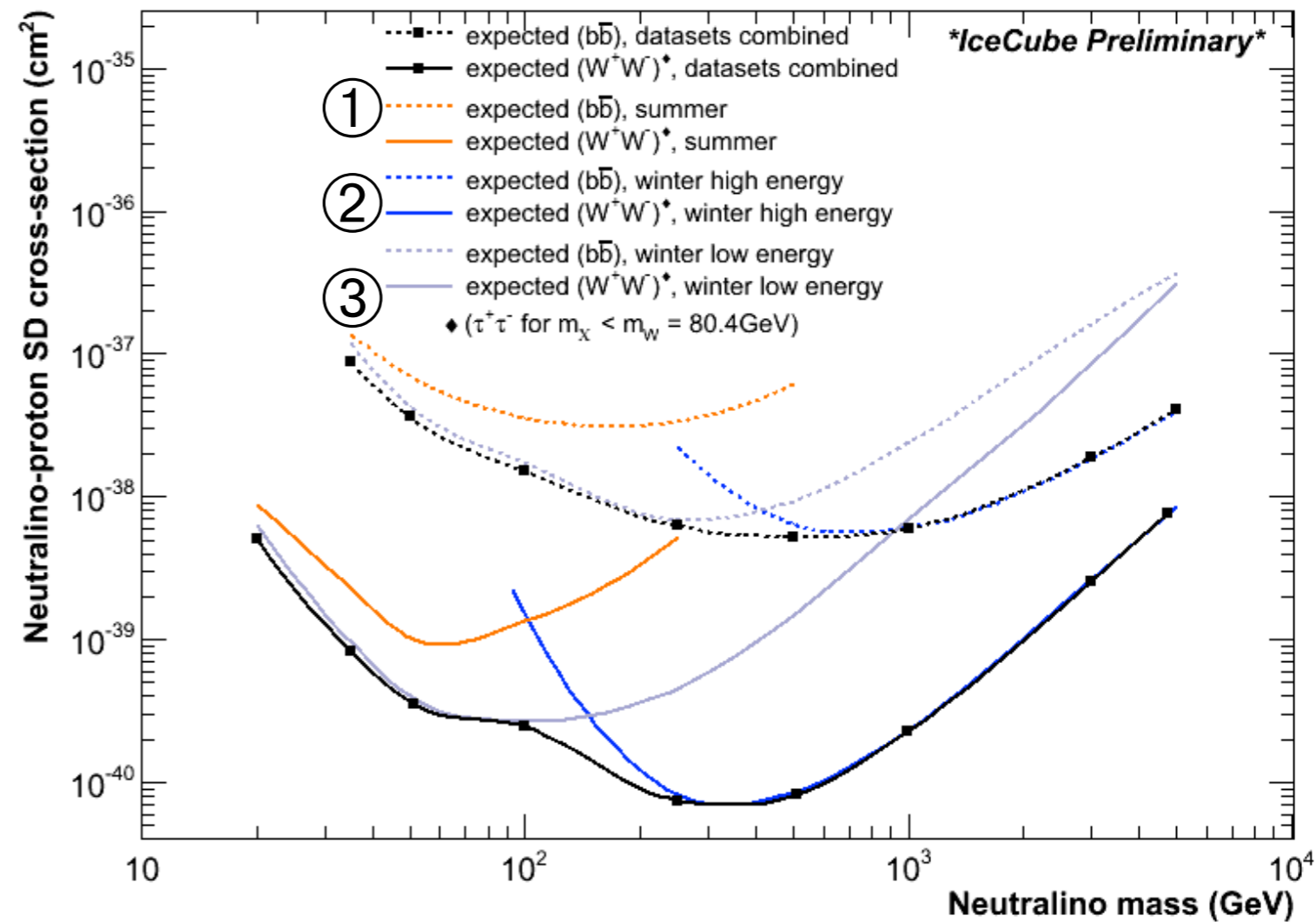
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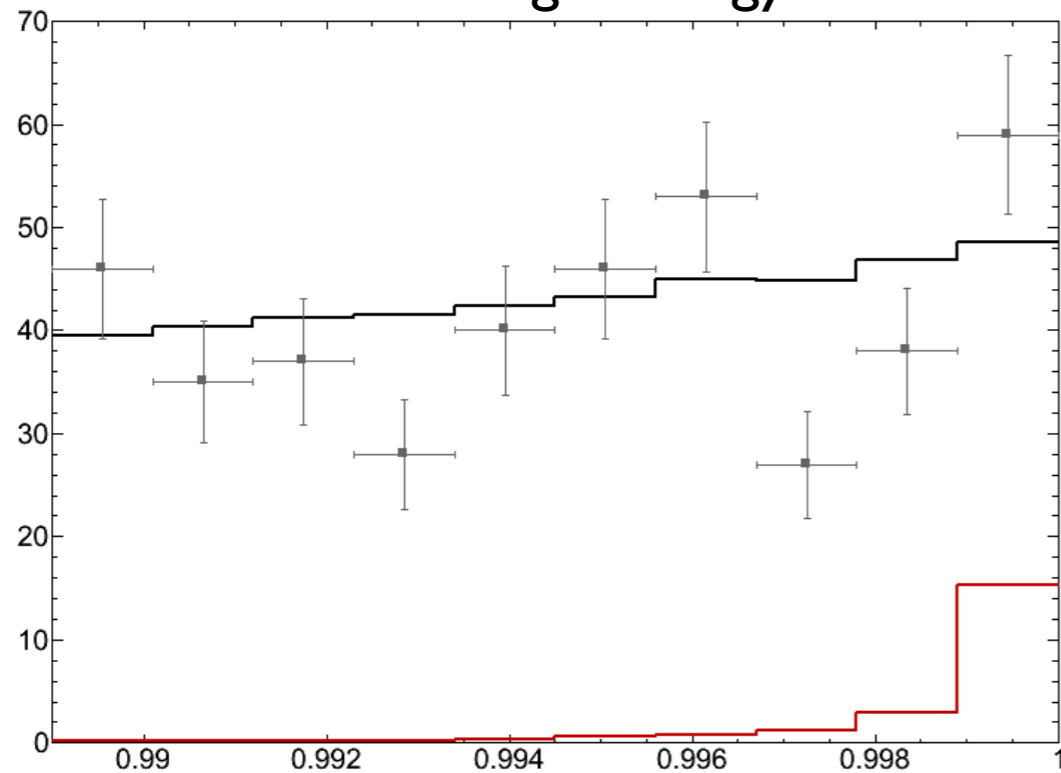
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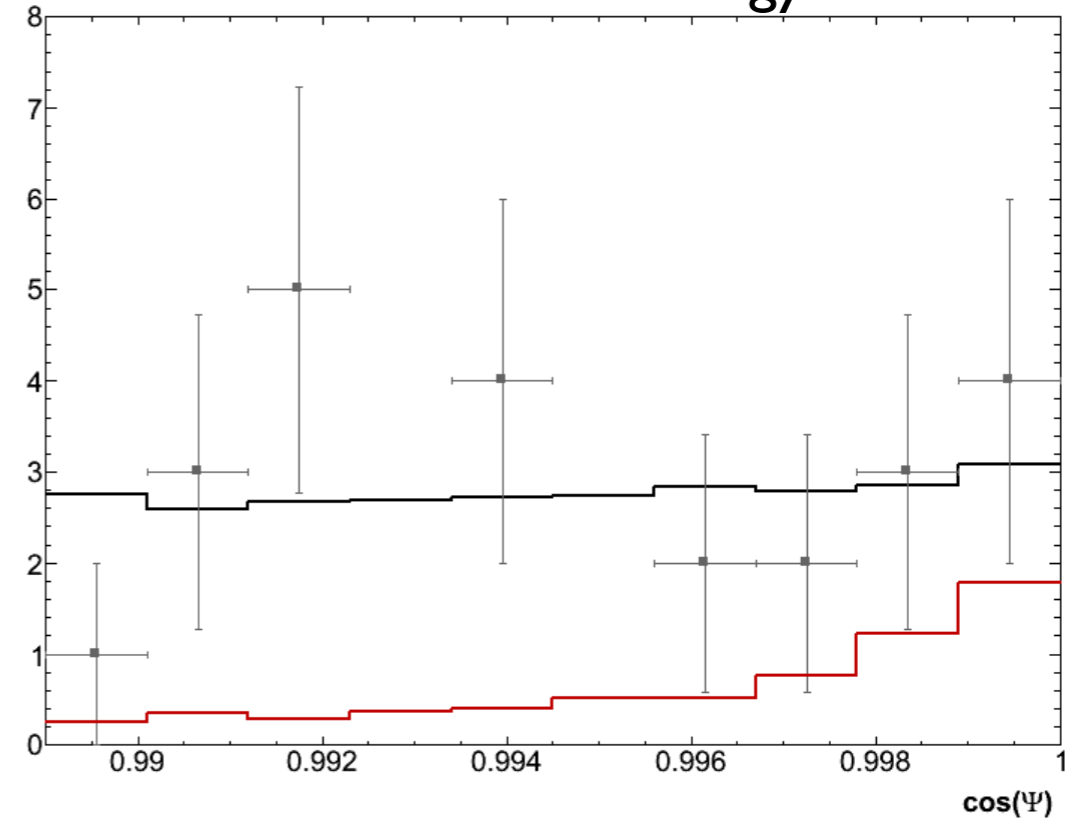
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# IC79 Solar WIMP Unblinding

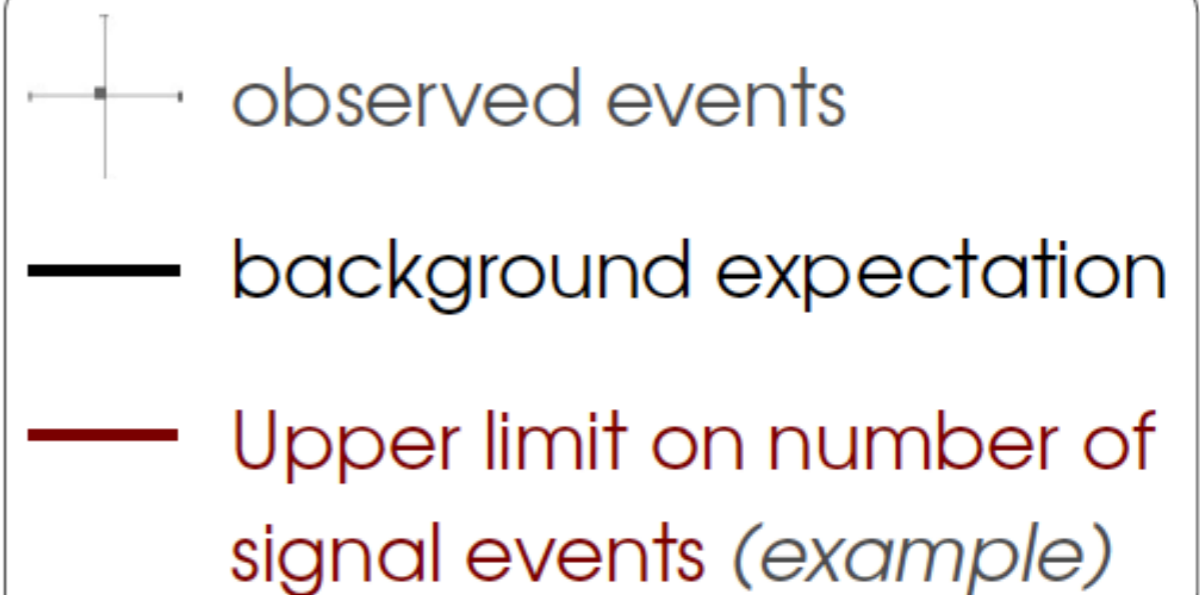
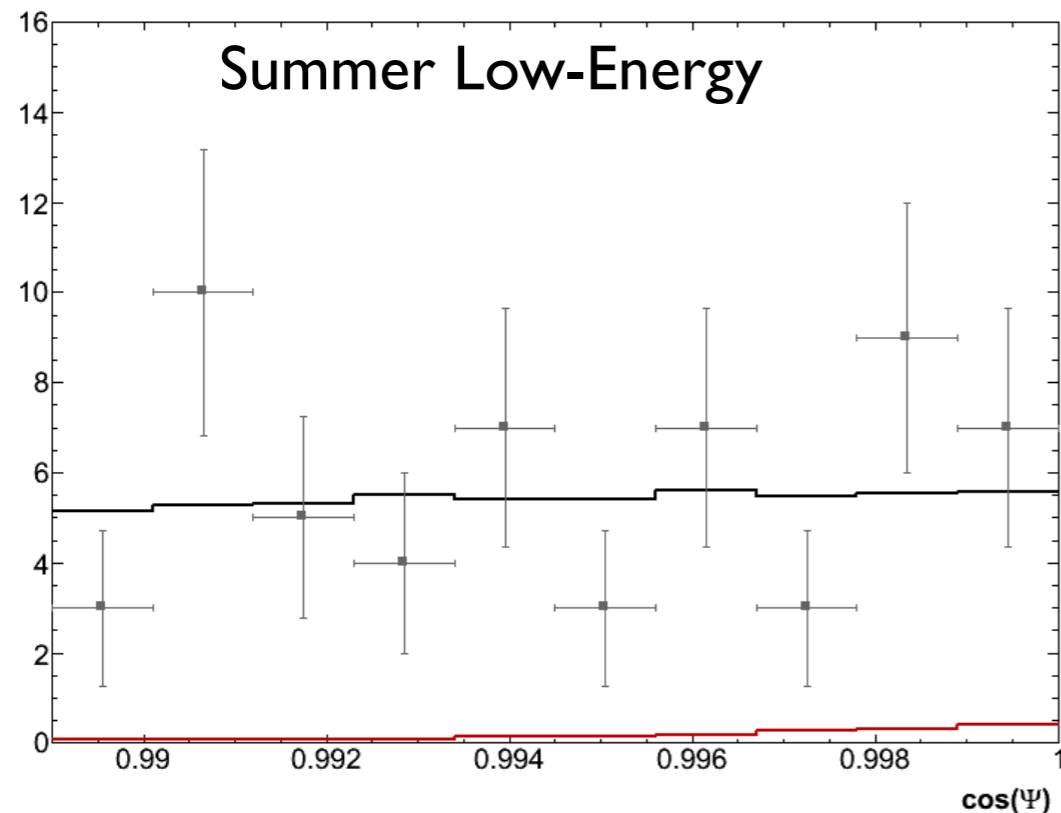
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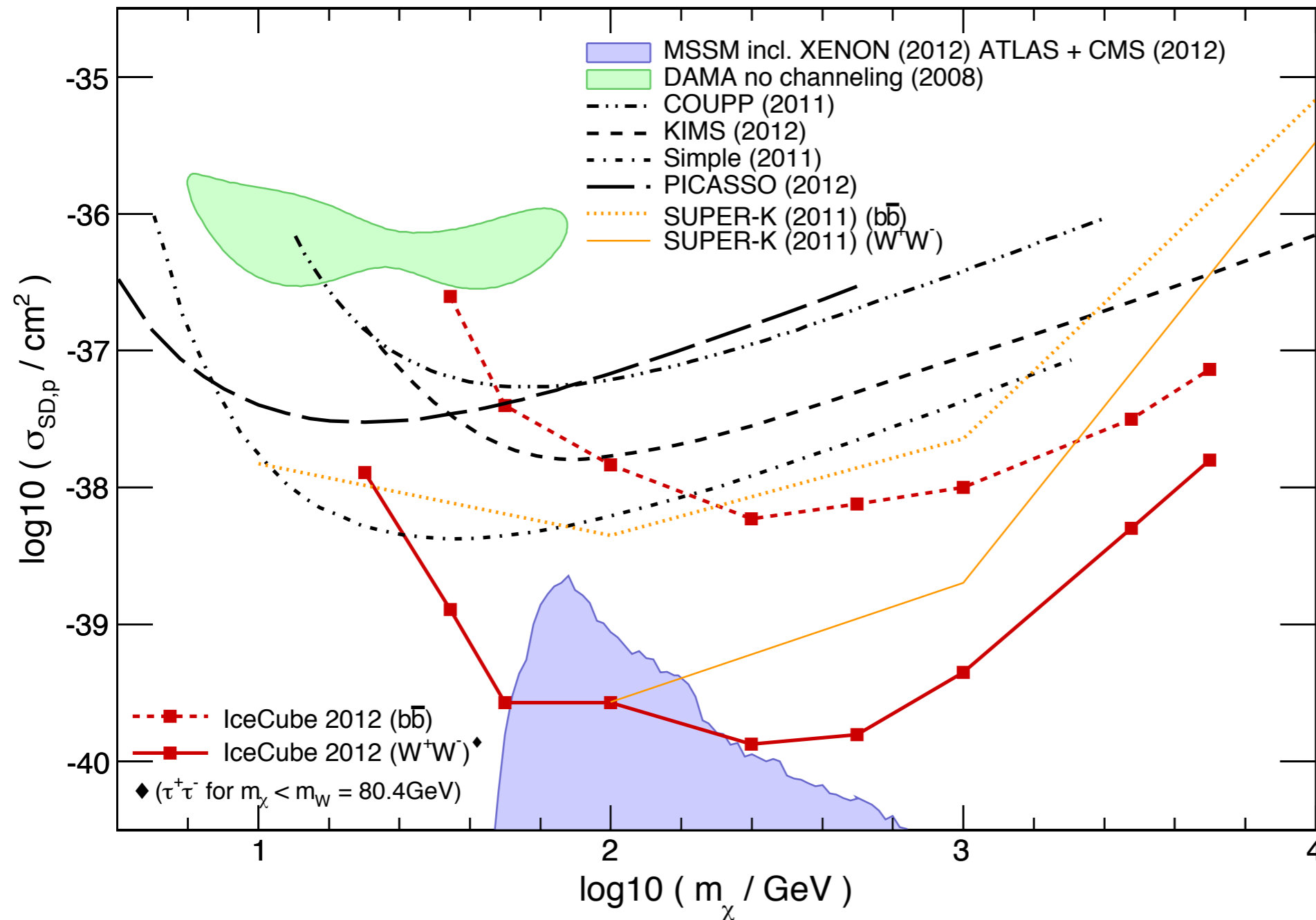


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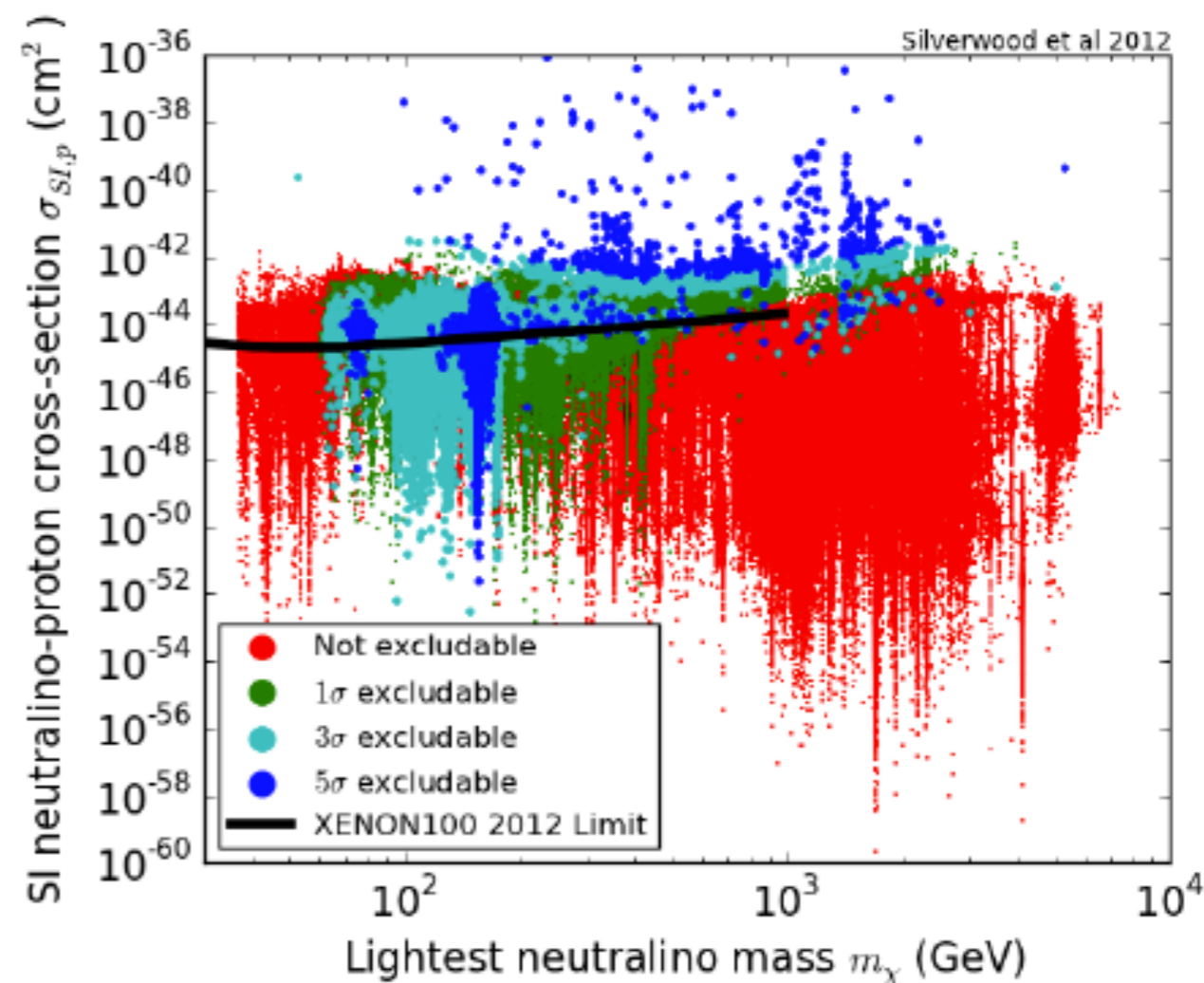
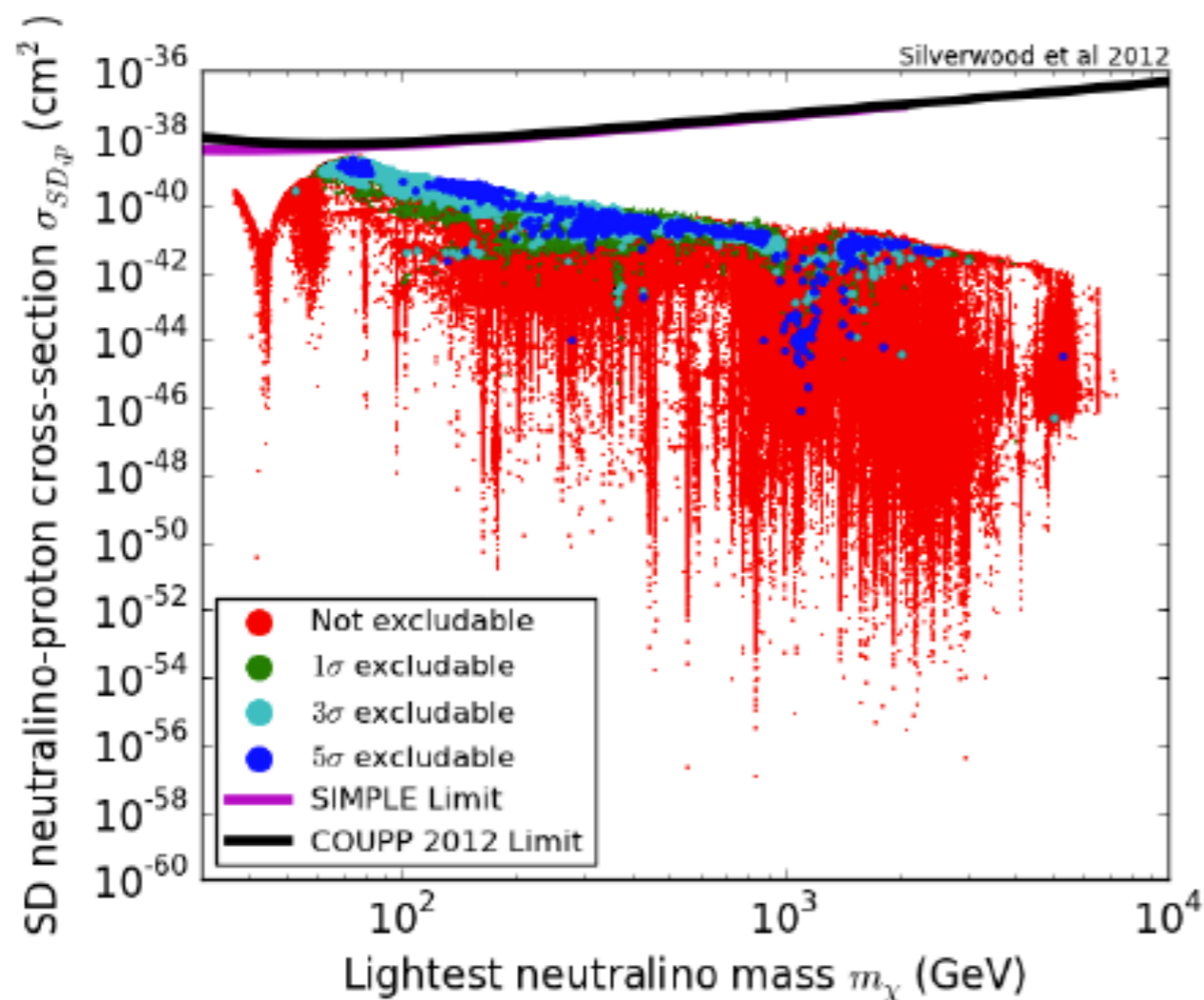
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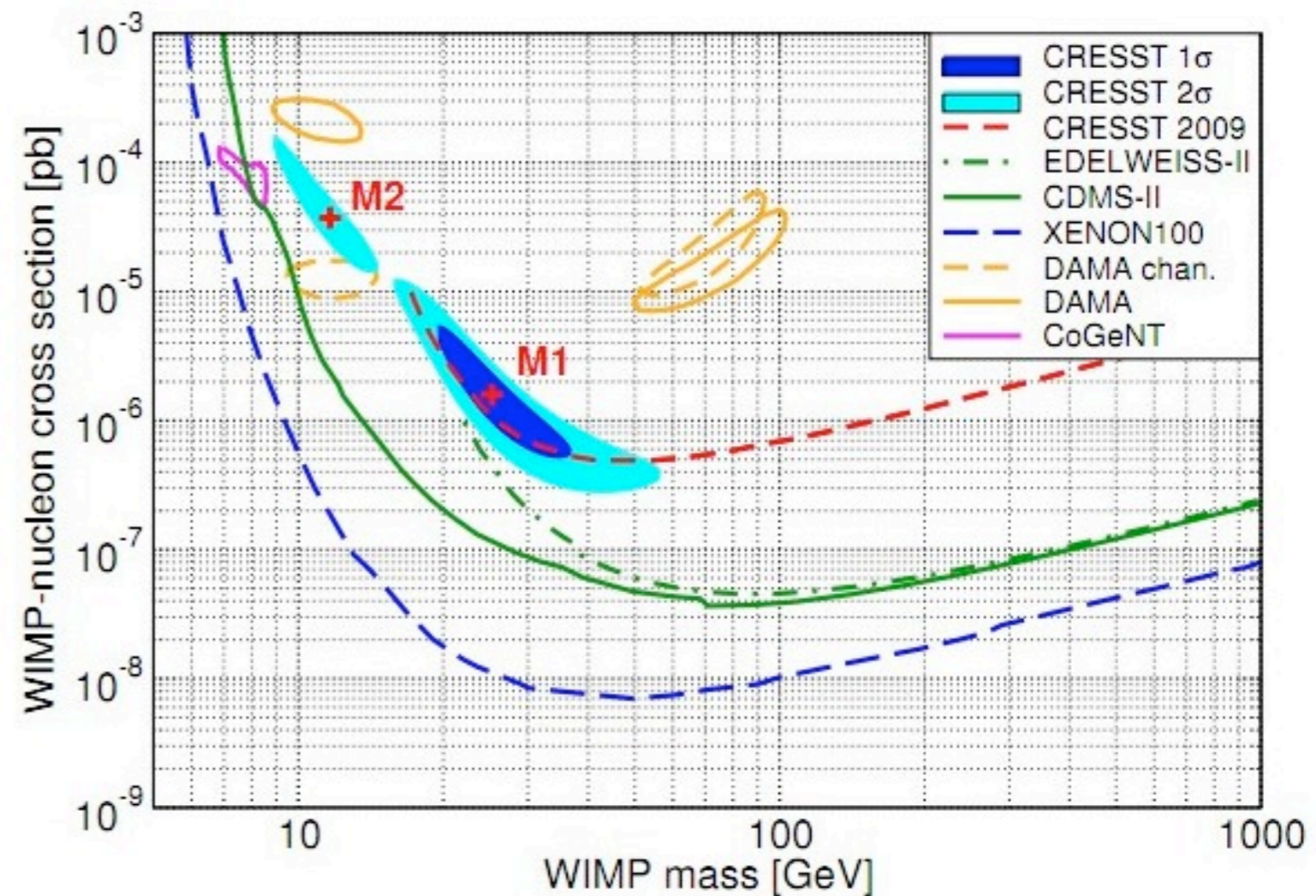
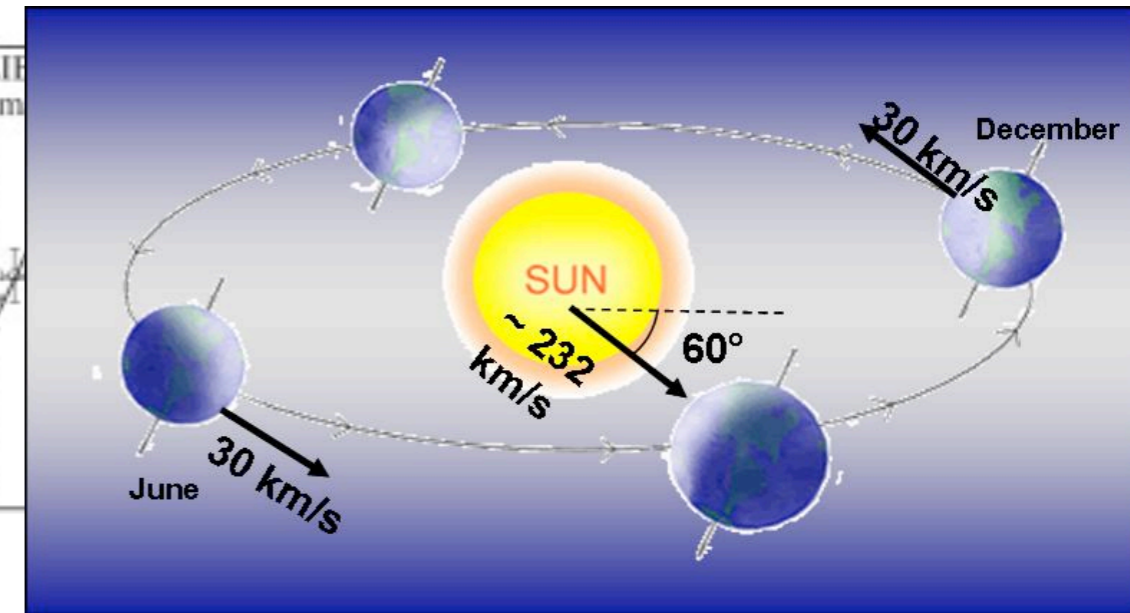
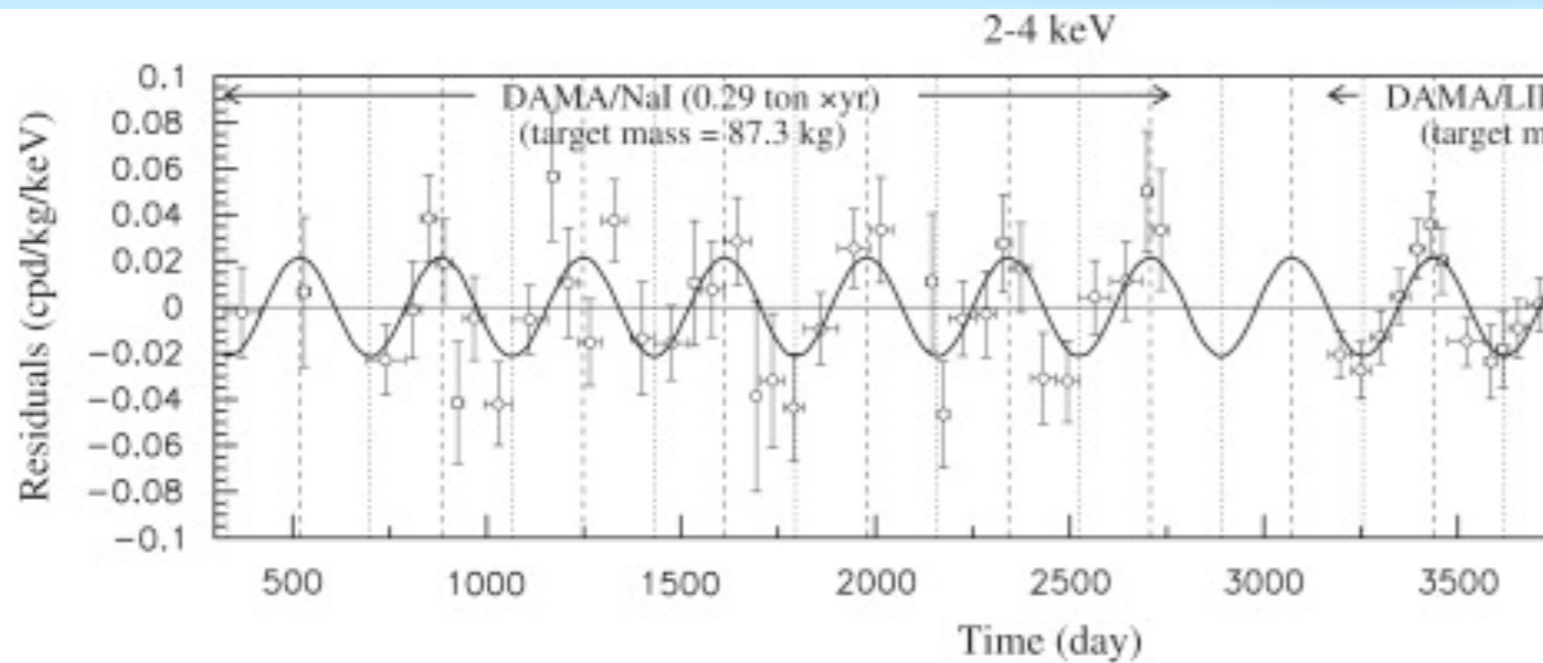
# Relevance of results

Current IceCube Searches can already exclude a significant region of the SUSY parameter space (MSSM-25)

- Not excludable
- $1\sigma$  excludable
- $3\sigma$  excludable
- $5\sigma$  excludable

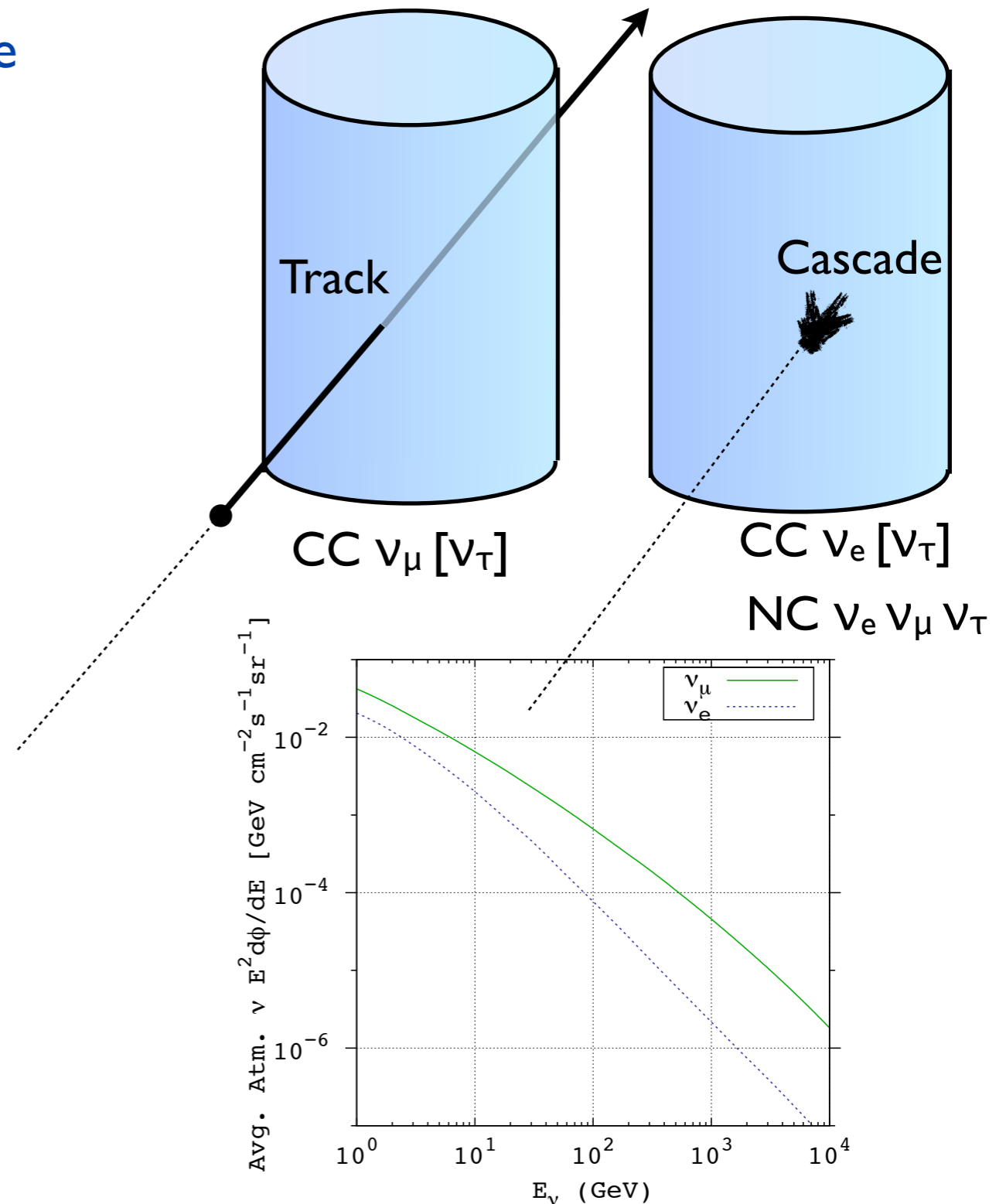


# Low-mass WIMPs ?



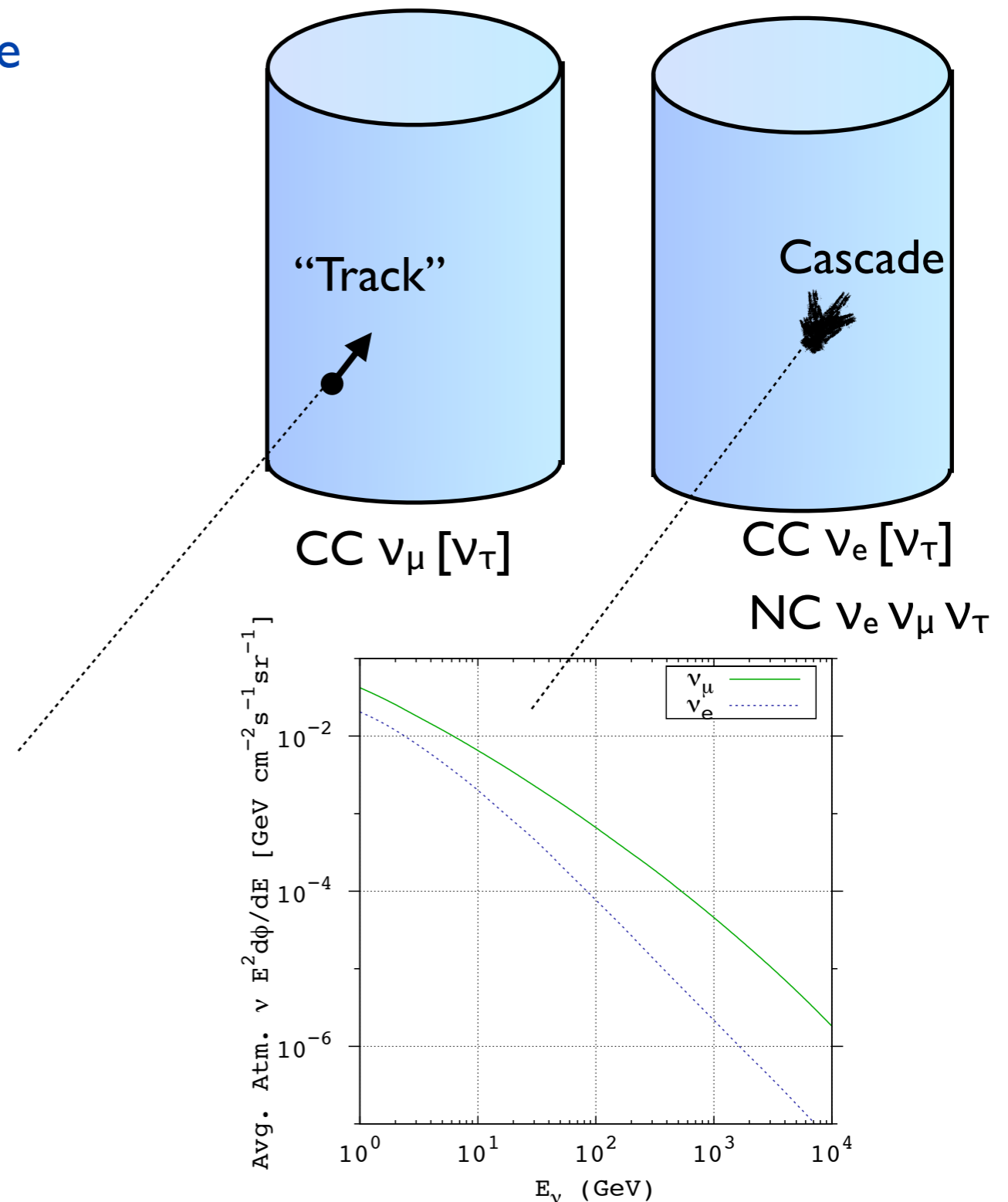
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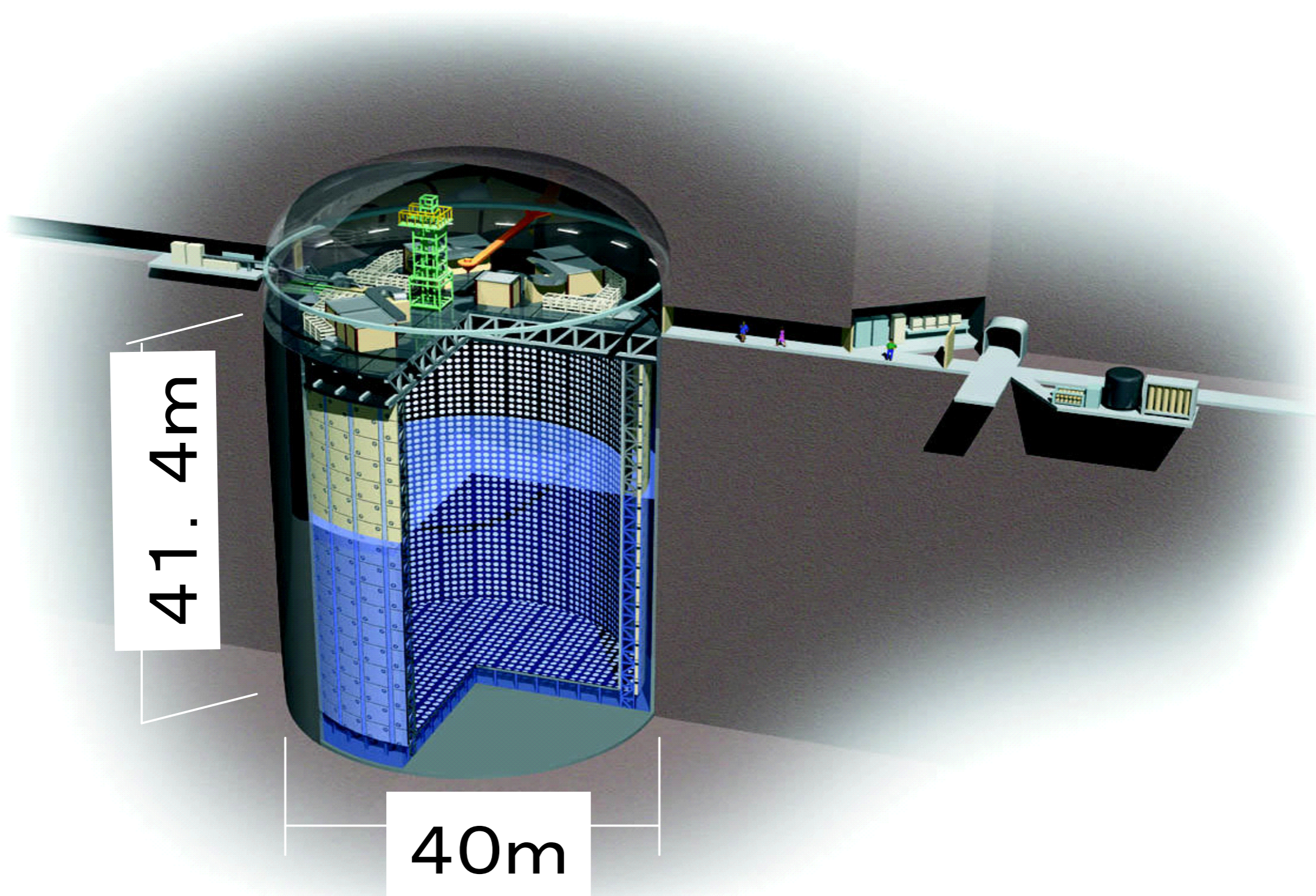
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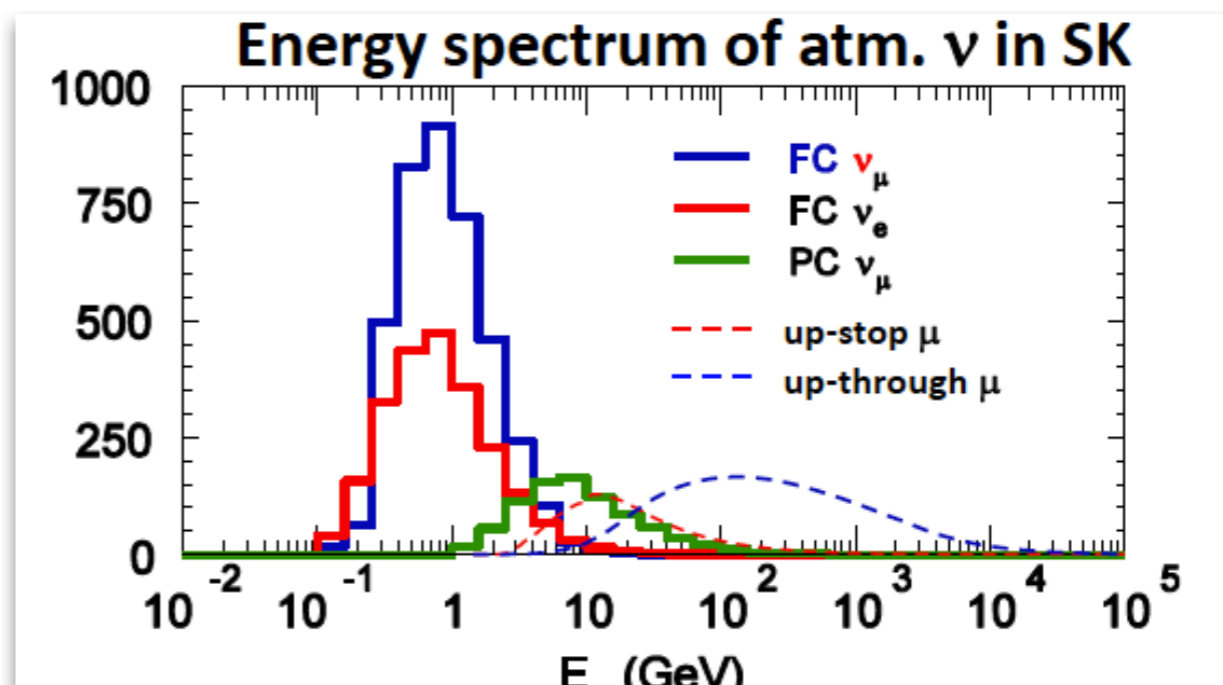
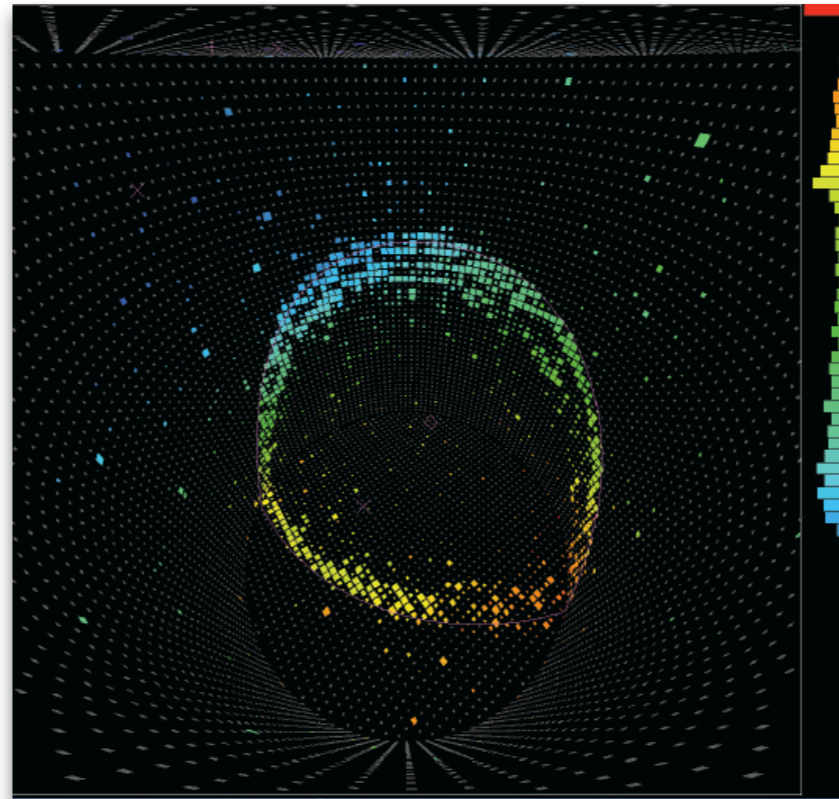


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Kamioka Mine Depth: 1000m

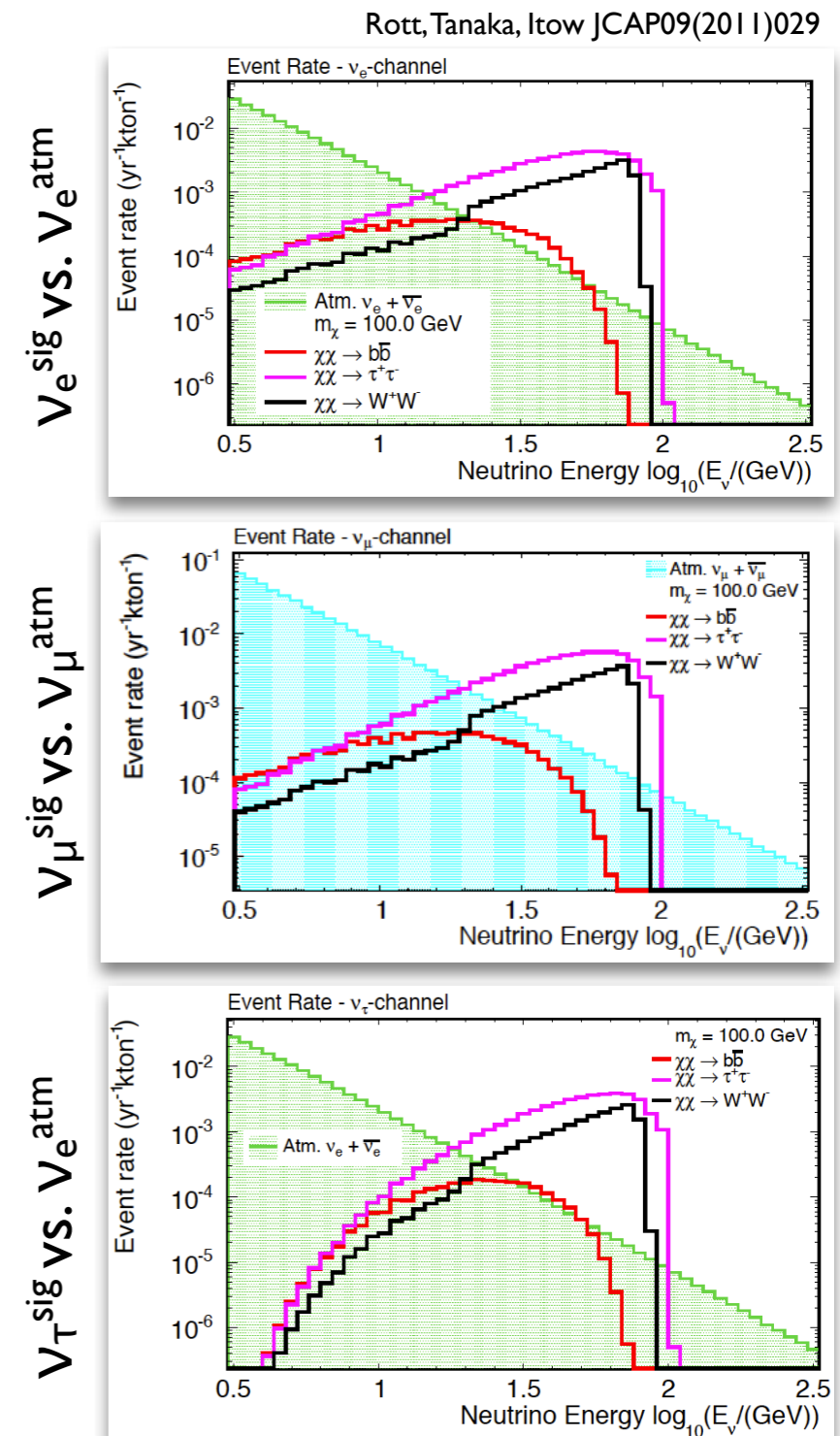


- 50kt pure water (22.5kt fiducial) water-cherenkov detector
- Operating since 1996
- ~11K 20" PMTs
- Photo coverage ~40%



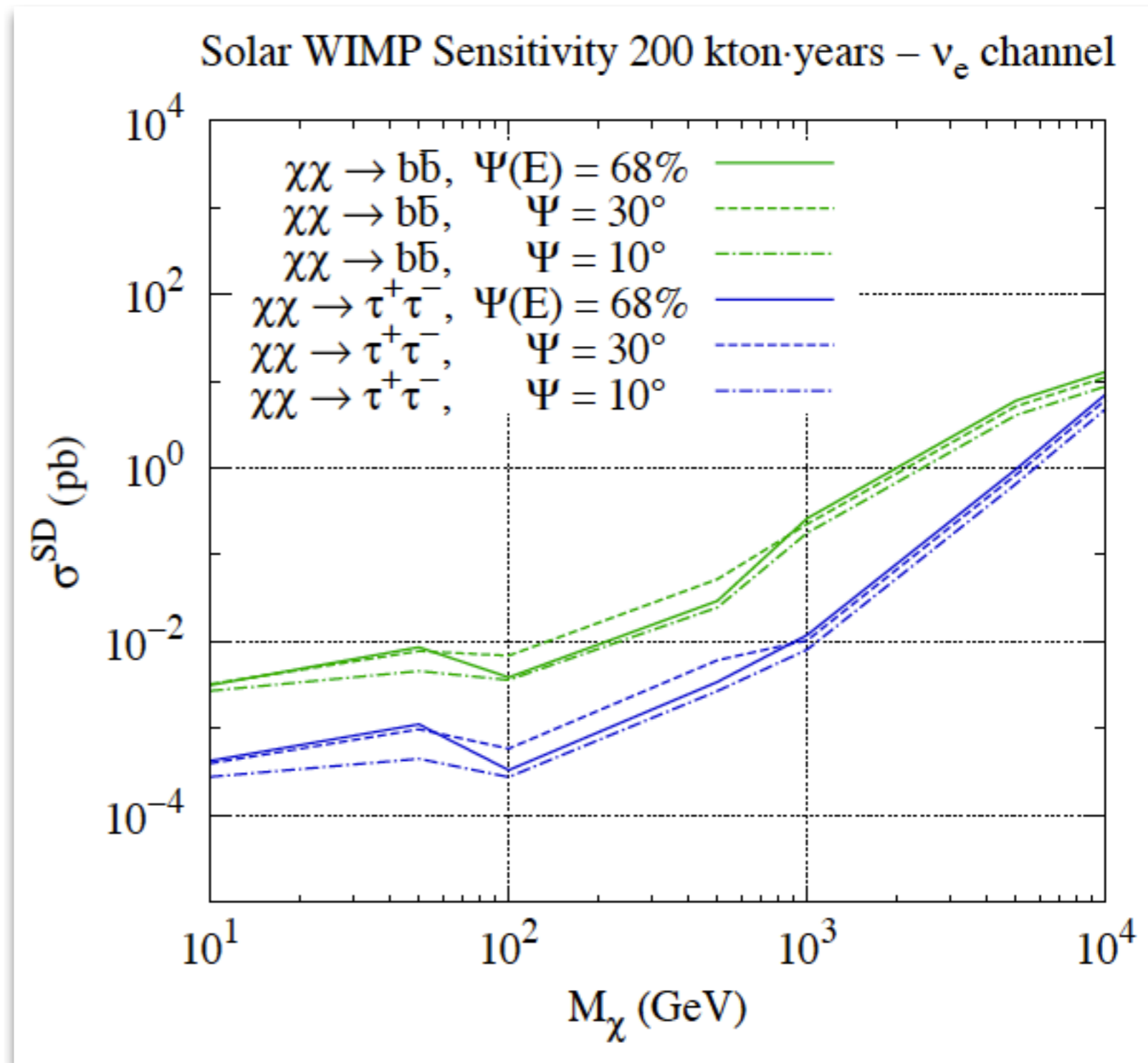
# WIMP Signal comparison

- Example: Assume  $m_\chi = 100\text{GeV}$  and annihilation rate of  $1\text{fb}$  ( $10^{-39}\text{cm}^2$ )
  - $\sim 2.45 \times 10^{23} / \text{s}$
- Event rates (of starting events) assume an opening angle around the Sun that is equivalent to the kinematic angle
- Assume angle average atmospheric neutrino flux (Honda) as background
- Event rates for neutrinos + antineutrinos of each flavor
- Regardless of annihilation channel the signal looks similar



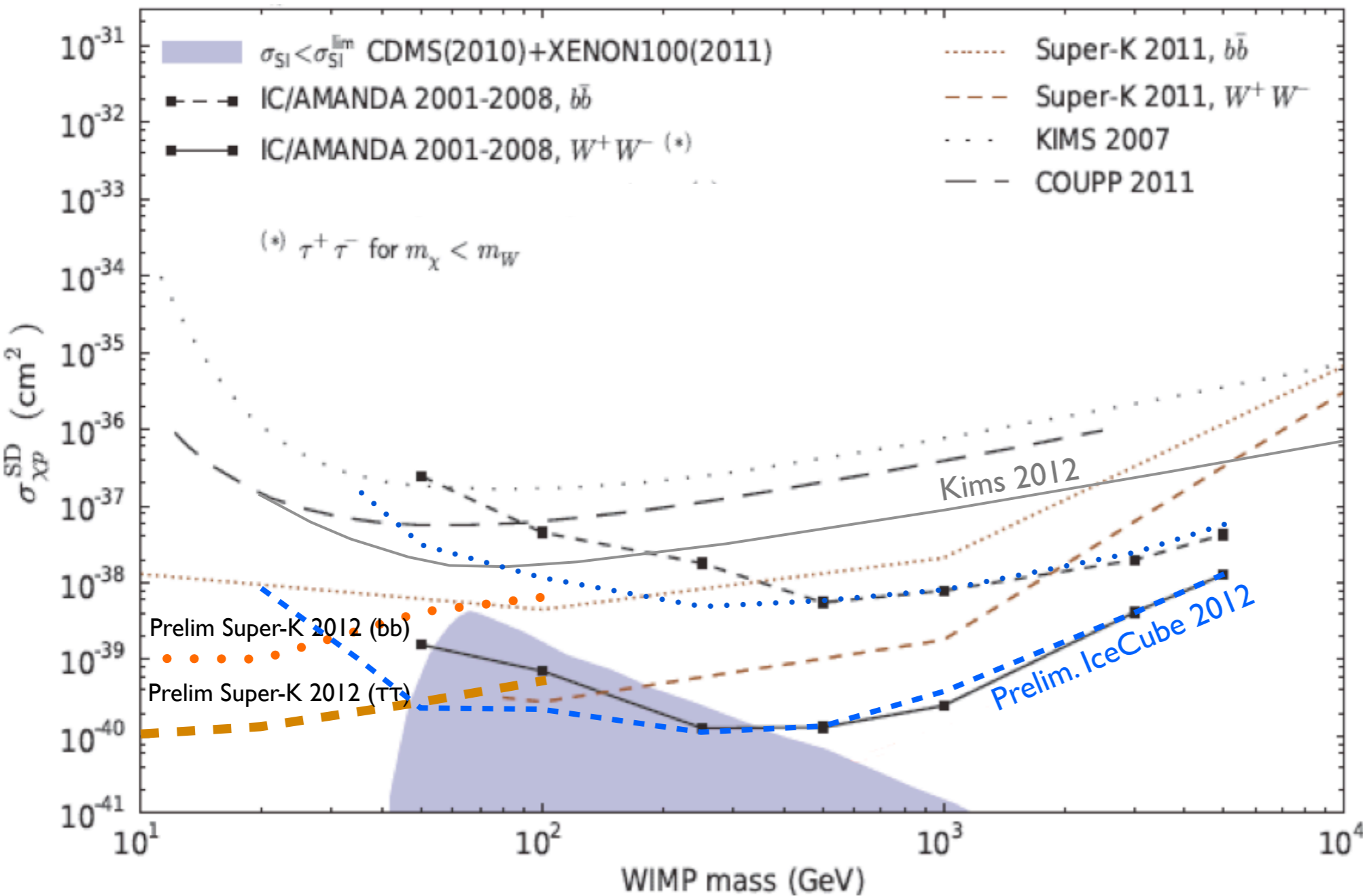
# Compute Sensitivity for a Generic Detector

- Assume a generic detector
  - Consider vertex contained events (starting events)
    - results can be scaled to any detector size
- Compare different opening angles around the Sun
  - $\psi=30^\circ$
  - $\psi=10^\circ$
  - $\Psi(E)=68\%$
- Assume 3 different energy cuts:
  - $m_\chi[10\text{GeV}, 100\text{GeV}]$   $E_{\text{Thr}}=1\text{GeV}$
  - $m_\chi[100\text{GeV}, 1\text{TeV}]$   $E_{\text{Thr}}=10\text{GeV}$
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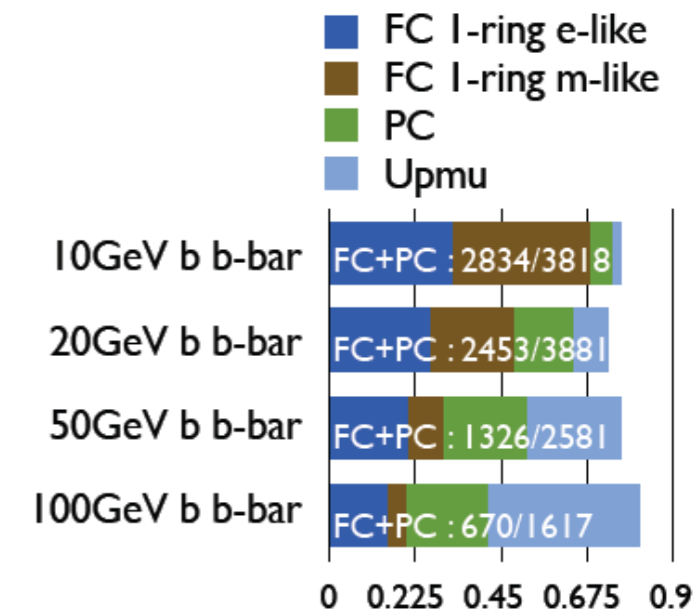


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## Data from Super-K I-III (2806days)



Energy / Angular Fit  
Derive 90% Bayesian  
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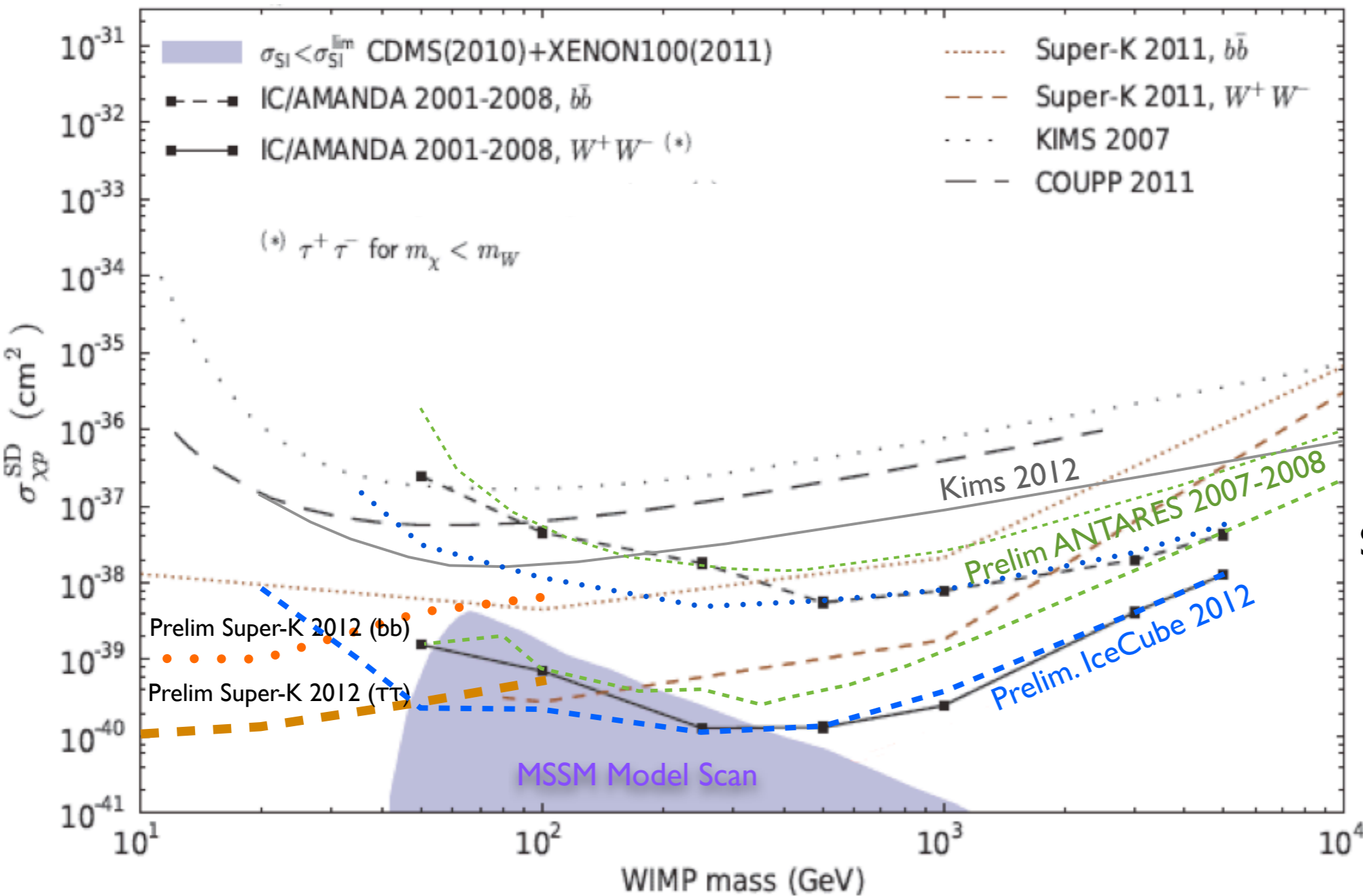
see:

Preliminary Super-K Limit Neutrino 2012

Preliminary IceCube/DeepCore Limit IDM 2012

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Neutrino Detector data starts to constrain MSSM

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Super-K demonstrates what future low-threshold neutrino detectors will be able to do

see:

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Preliminary ANTARES Limit Neutrino 2012

# Future Prospects with “high-energy” neutrinos

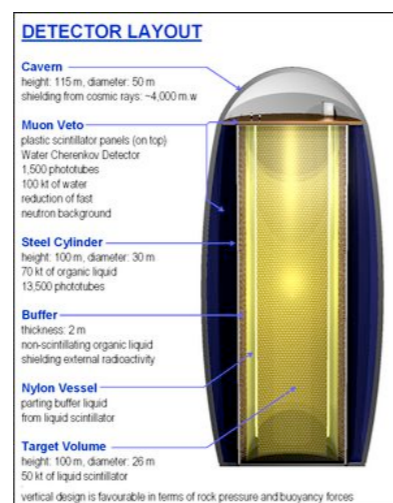
# Neutrino Detectors

- Strong interest in the neutrino community to build one or more large neutrino detectors, based on proven or new technology
- All these detectors have tremendous potential for dark matter detection and should be one of the primary design drivers

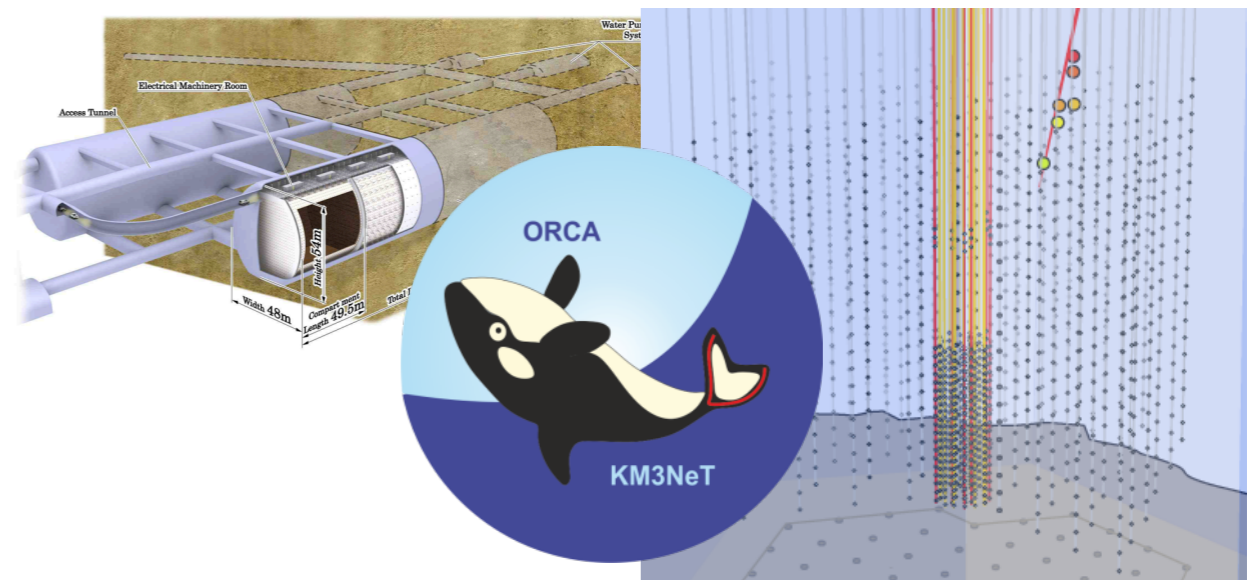
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## Scintillator

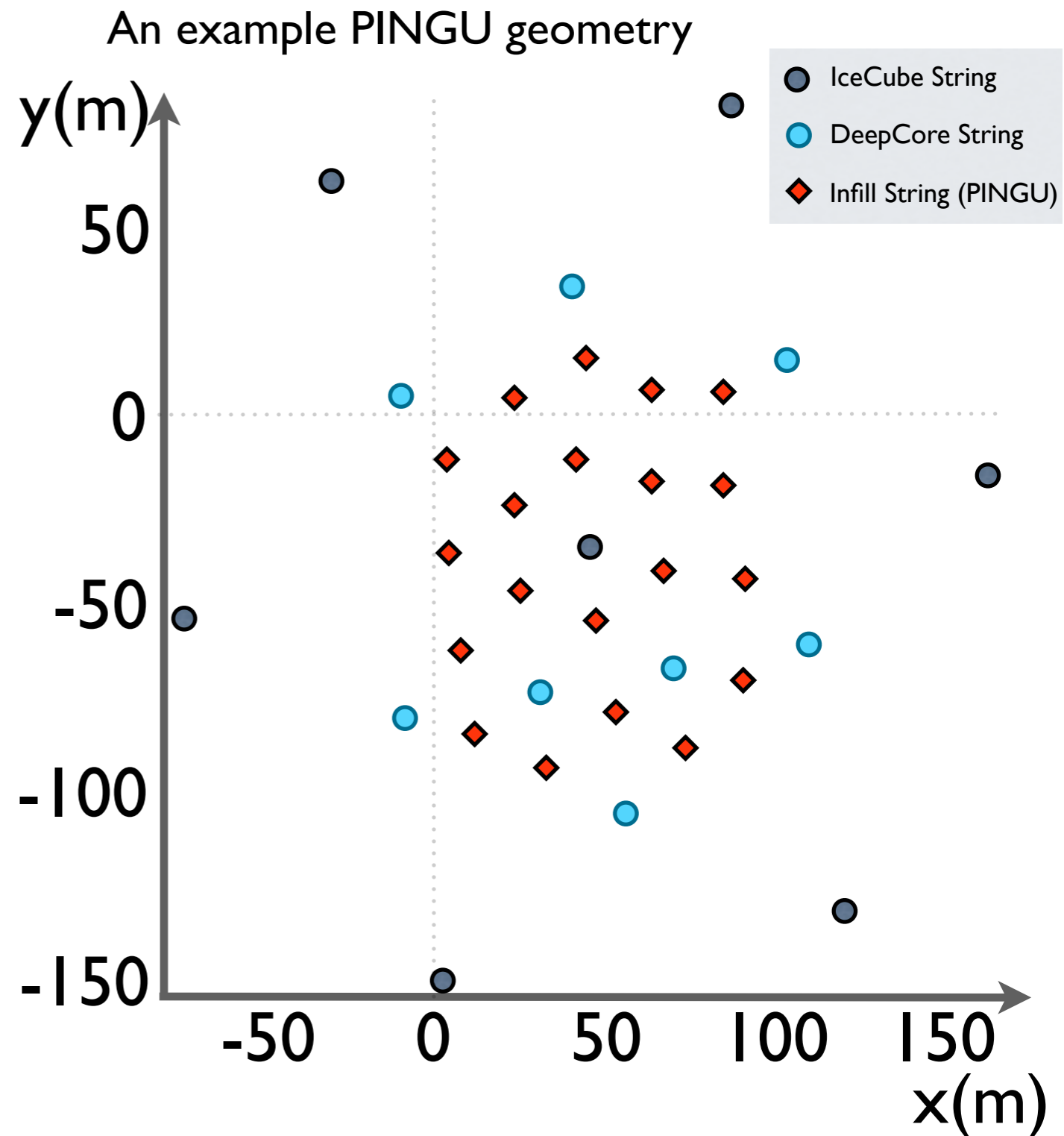


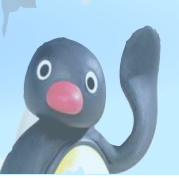
## Water / Ice Cherenkov



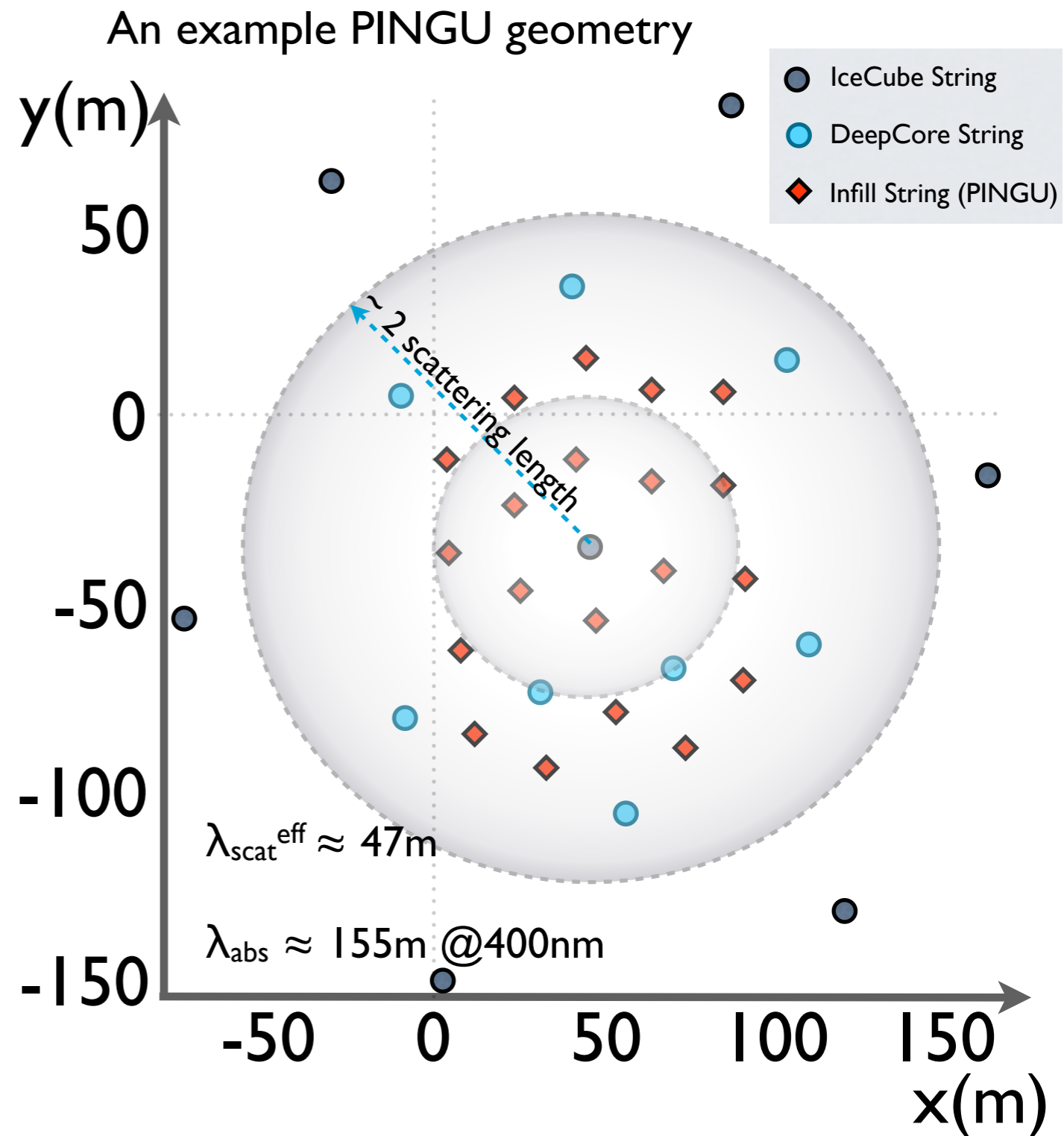


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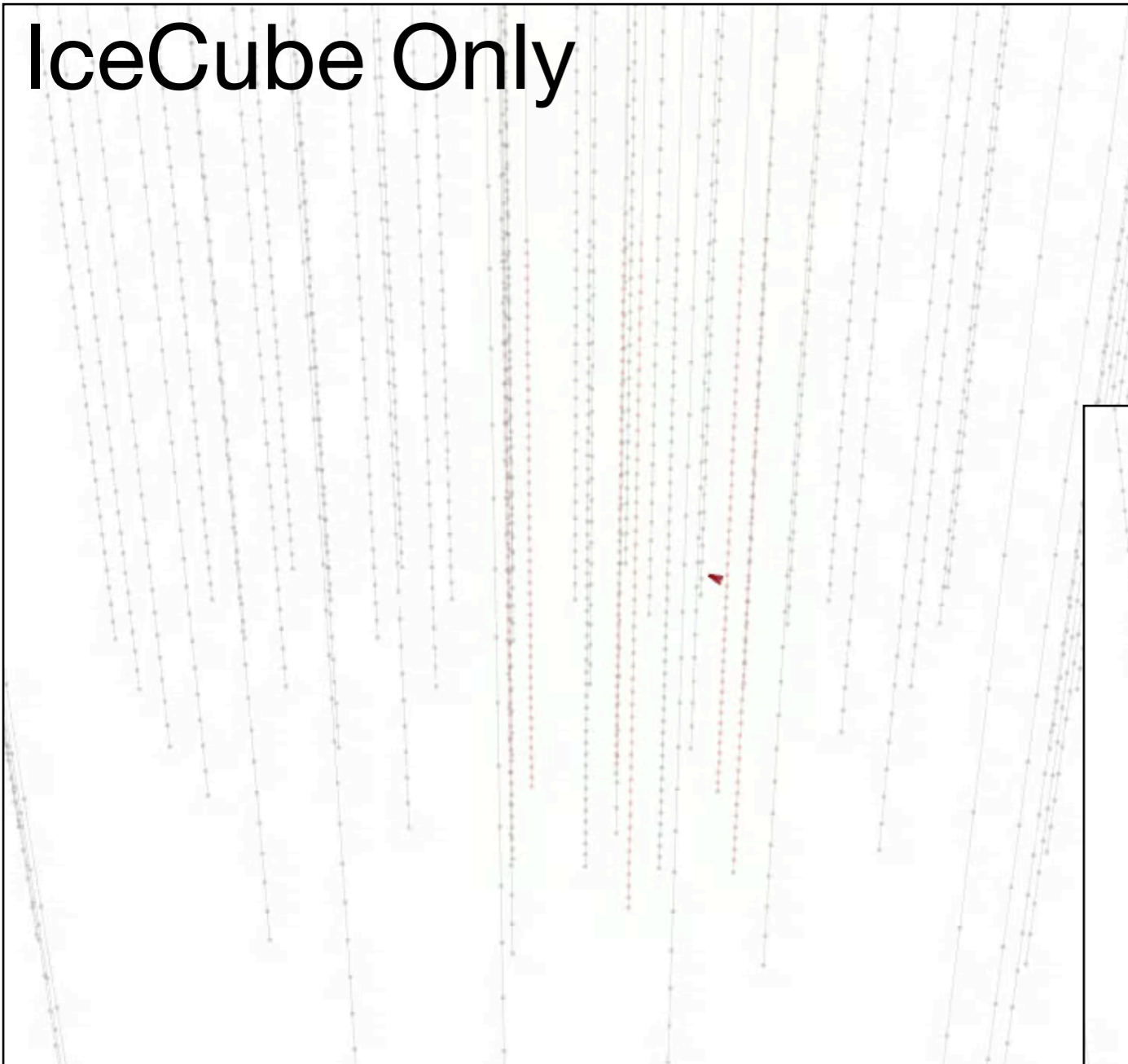


# Example Event (simulation)



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## IceCube Only

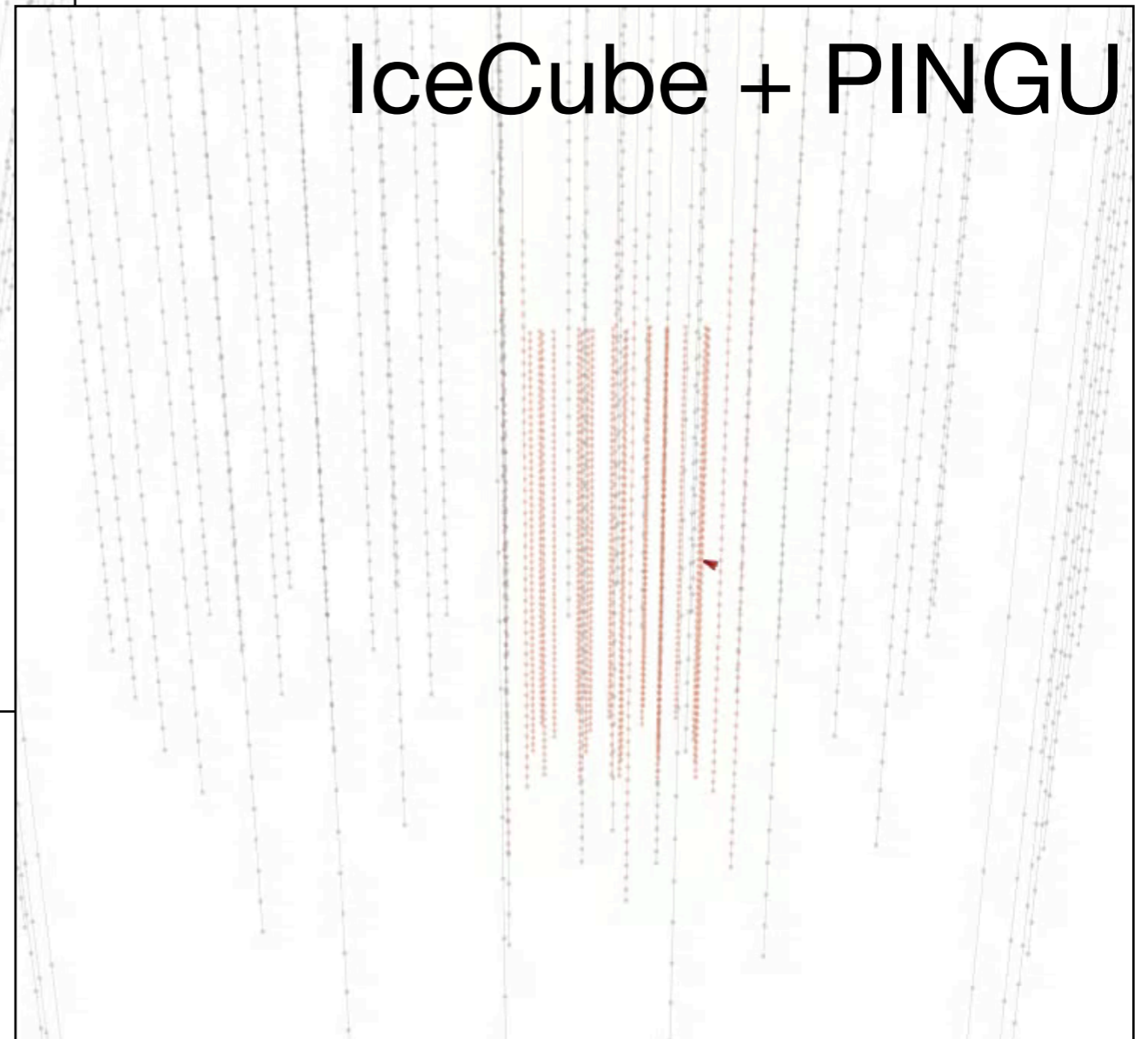


20  $\Rightarrow$  50 hit modules

- 9 GeV muon neutrino (physics only hits)

[~4.9GeV muon / ~4.5GeV shower]

## IceCube + PINGU



# PINGU and Solar WIMPs

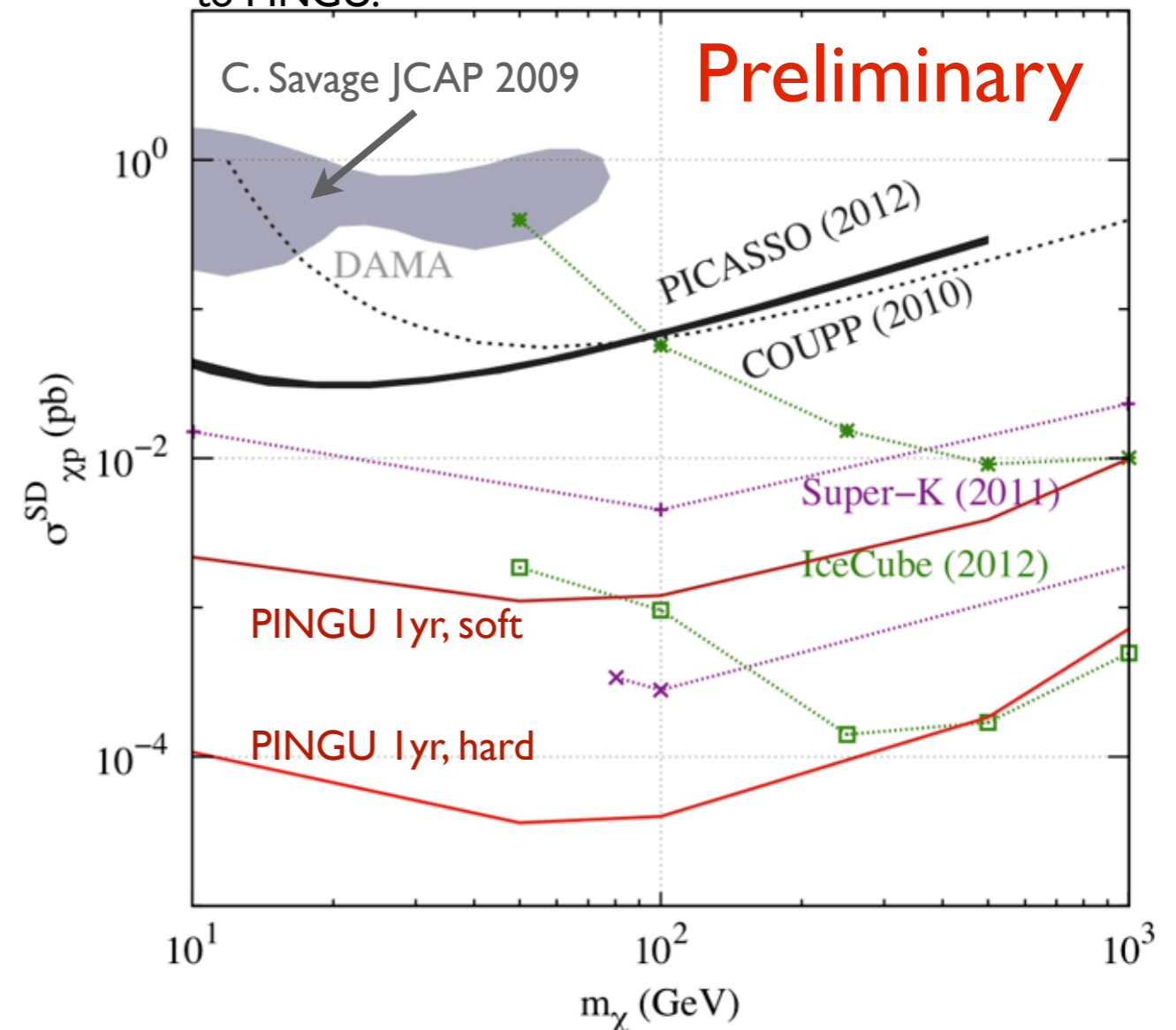


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- Preliminary solar WIMP sensitivity based PINGUs effective volume
- Assume that atmospheric muon backgrounds can be effectively rejected ( not included in the sensitivity )

- Low-mass WIMP scenarios well testable
- Next steps:
  - Detailed study with full PINGU simulation
  - More sophisticated event reconstruction
  - Check atmospheric muon background

Adapted **Rott, Tanaka, Itow JCAP09(2011)029** to PINGU.



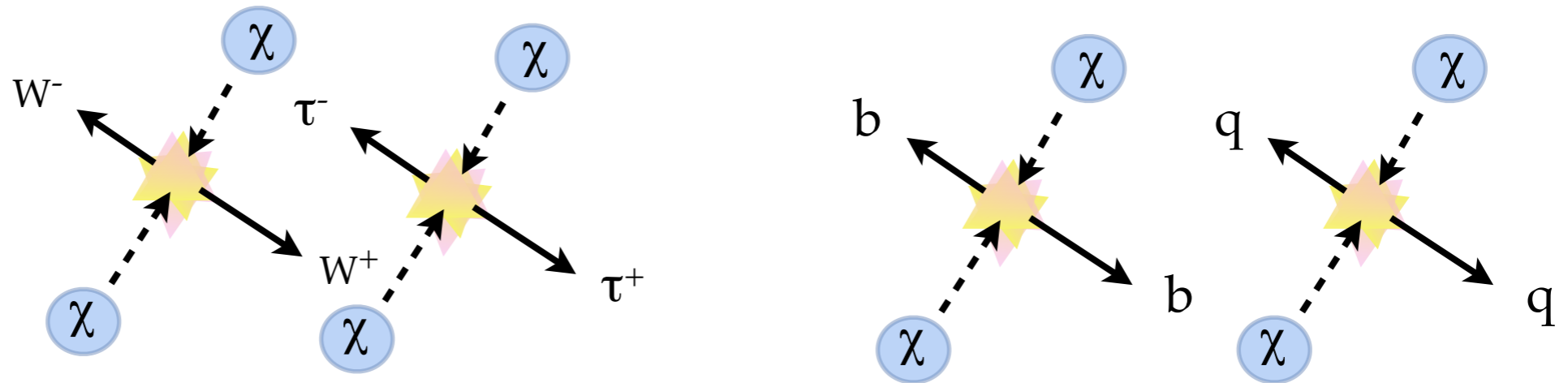
# New Detection Channel

**C. Rott, J. Siegal-Gaskins, J.F.Beacom (arXiv1208.0827)**

# Motivation

- Neutrino Telescope provide some of the best constraints on WIMP-Nucleon scattering through Solar WIMP searches
- How can we improve the sensitivity of present day and next generation instruments including those for low-mass WIMPs ?
- Can we find alternatives to present searches ?

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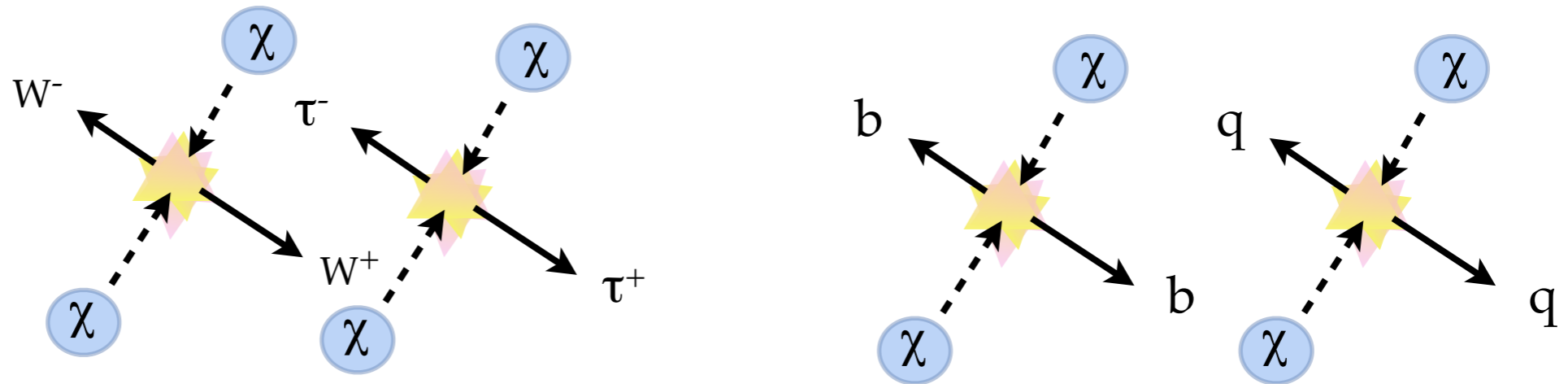
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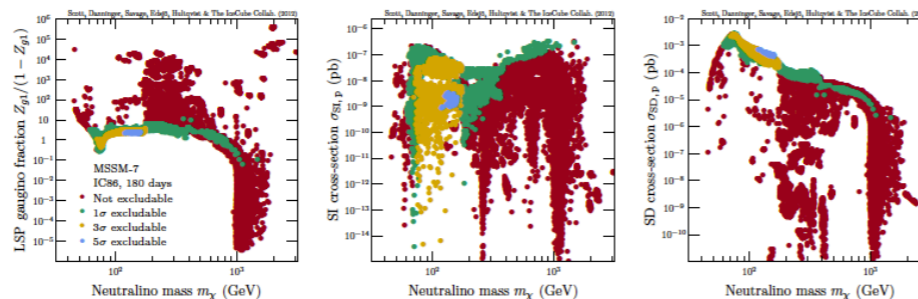
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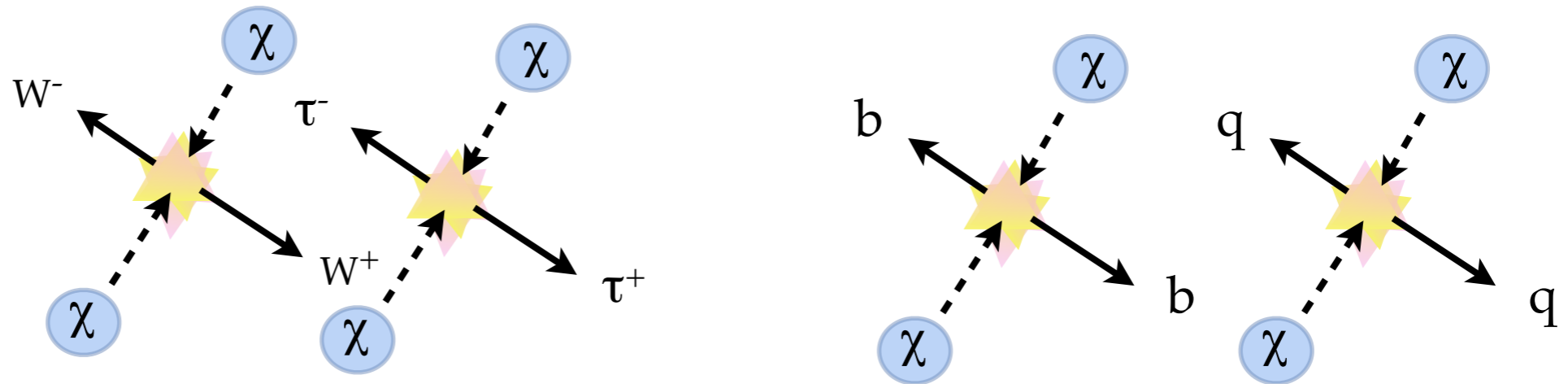
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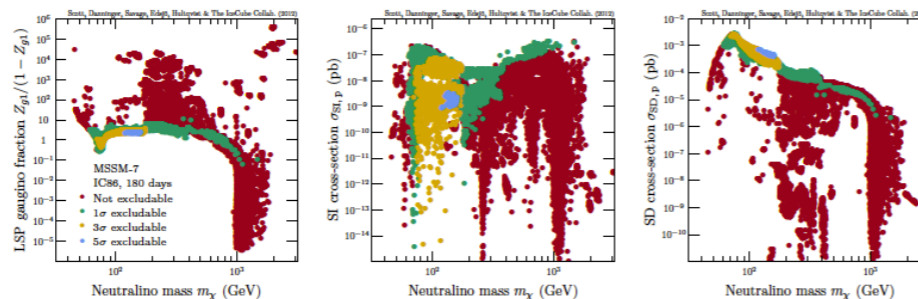
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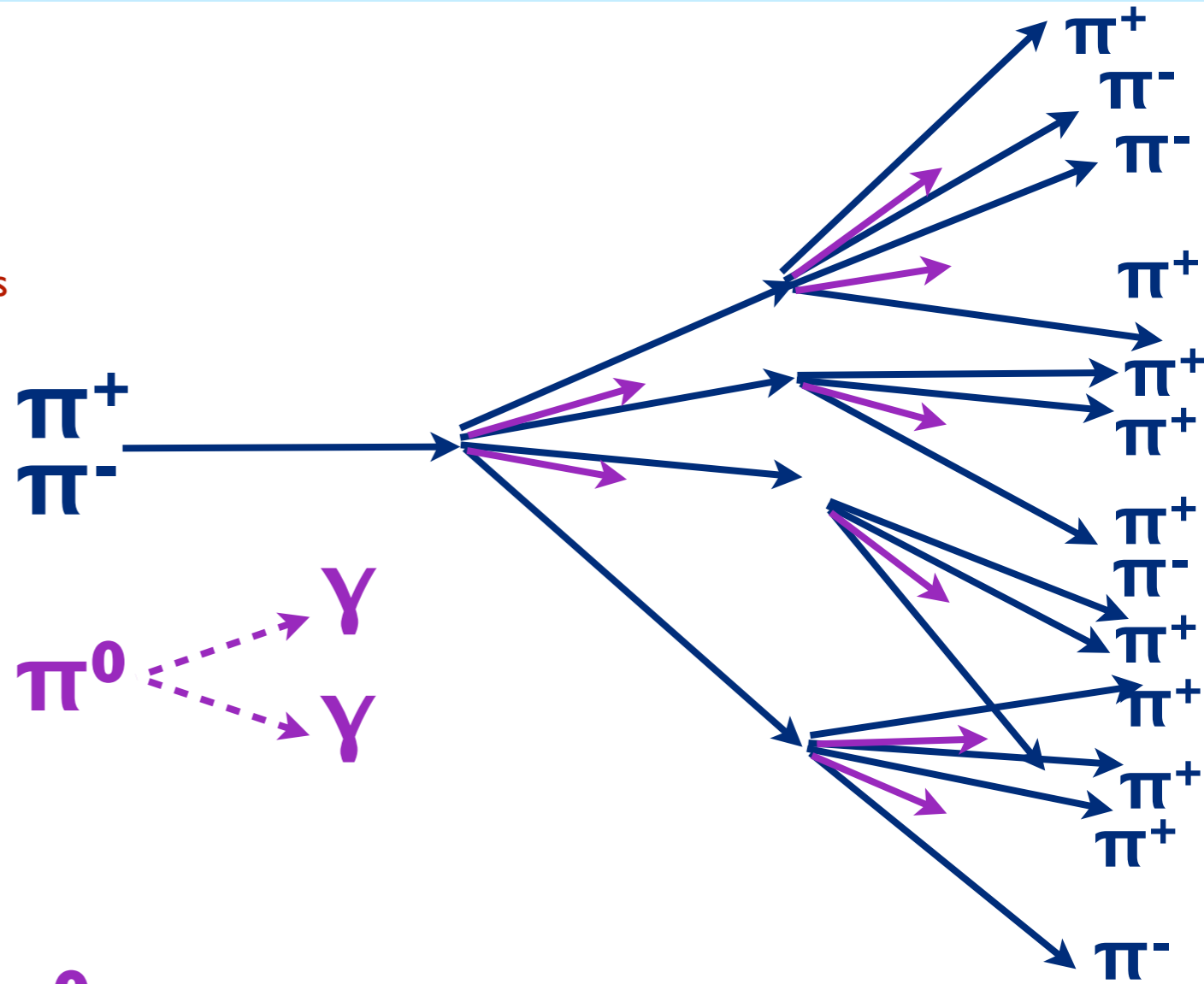
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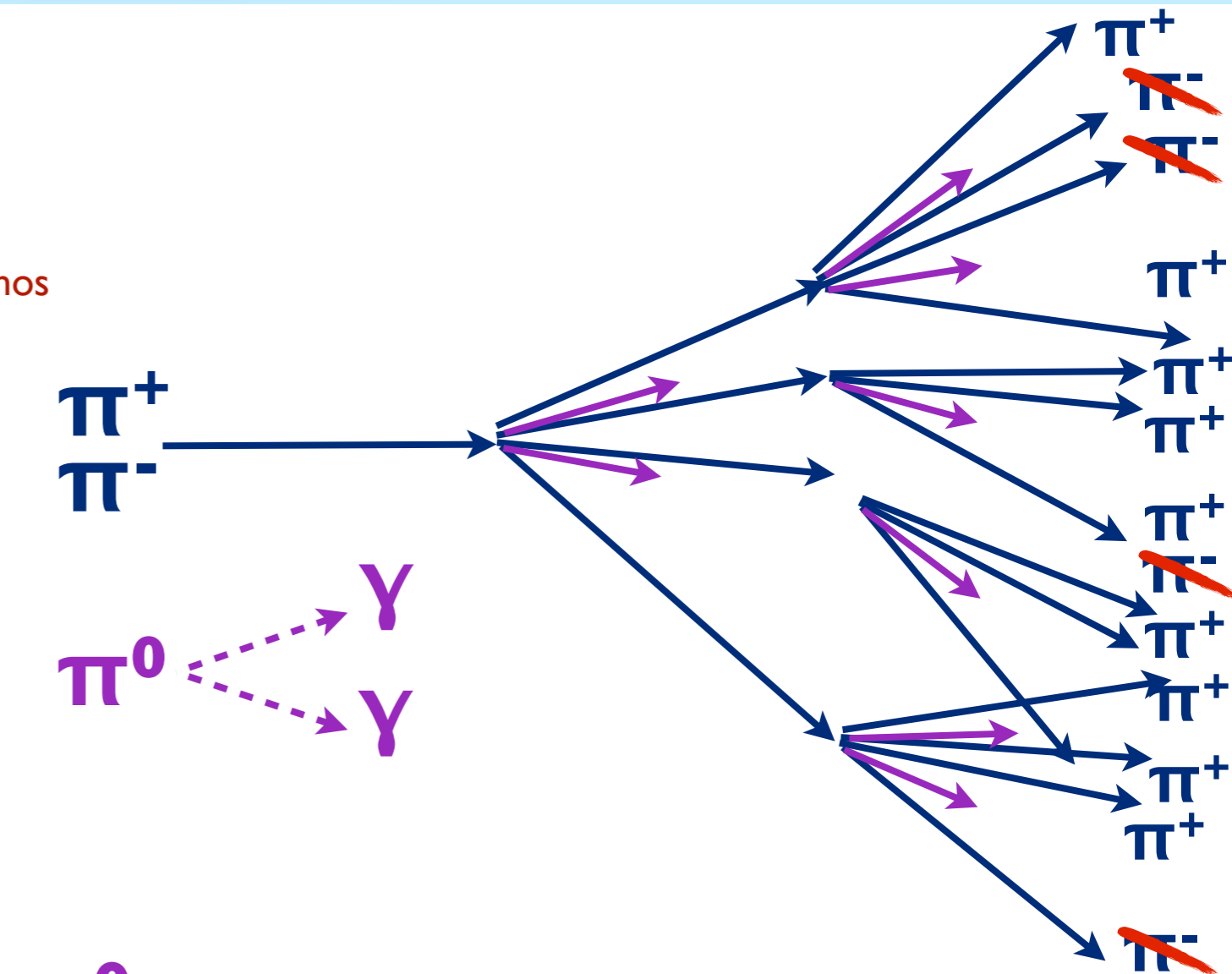
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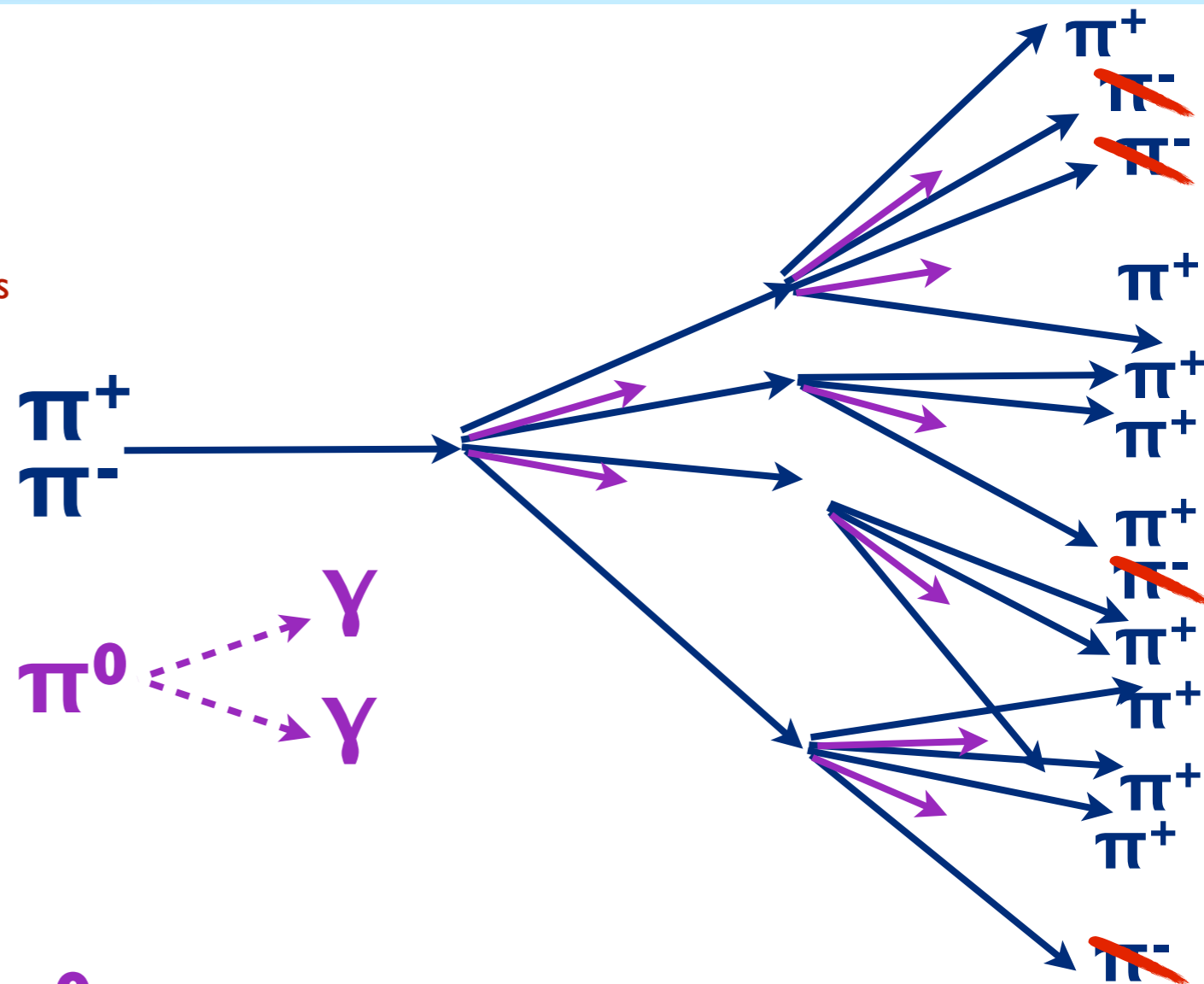
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Charged pions decay at rest  
 producing neutrinos up to  
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$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu$$

$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\mu$$



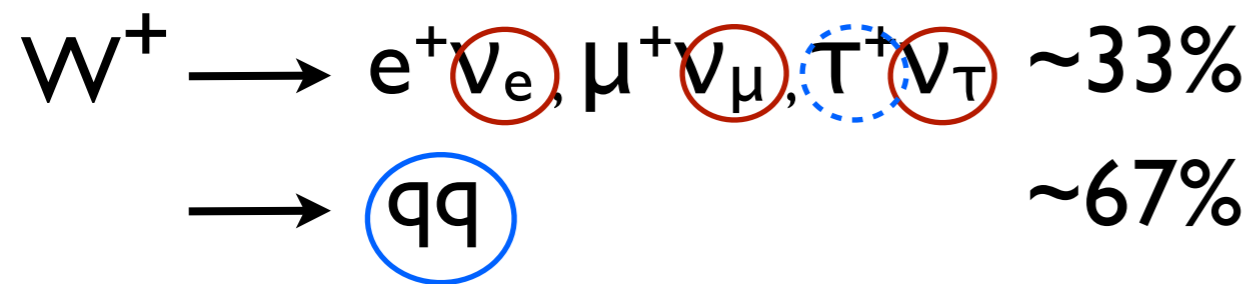
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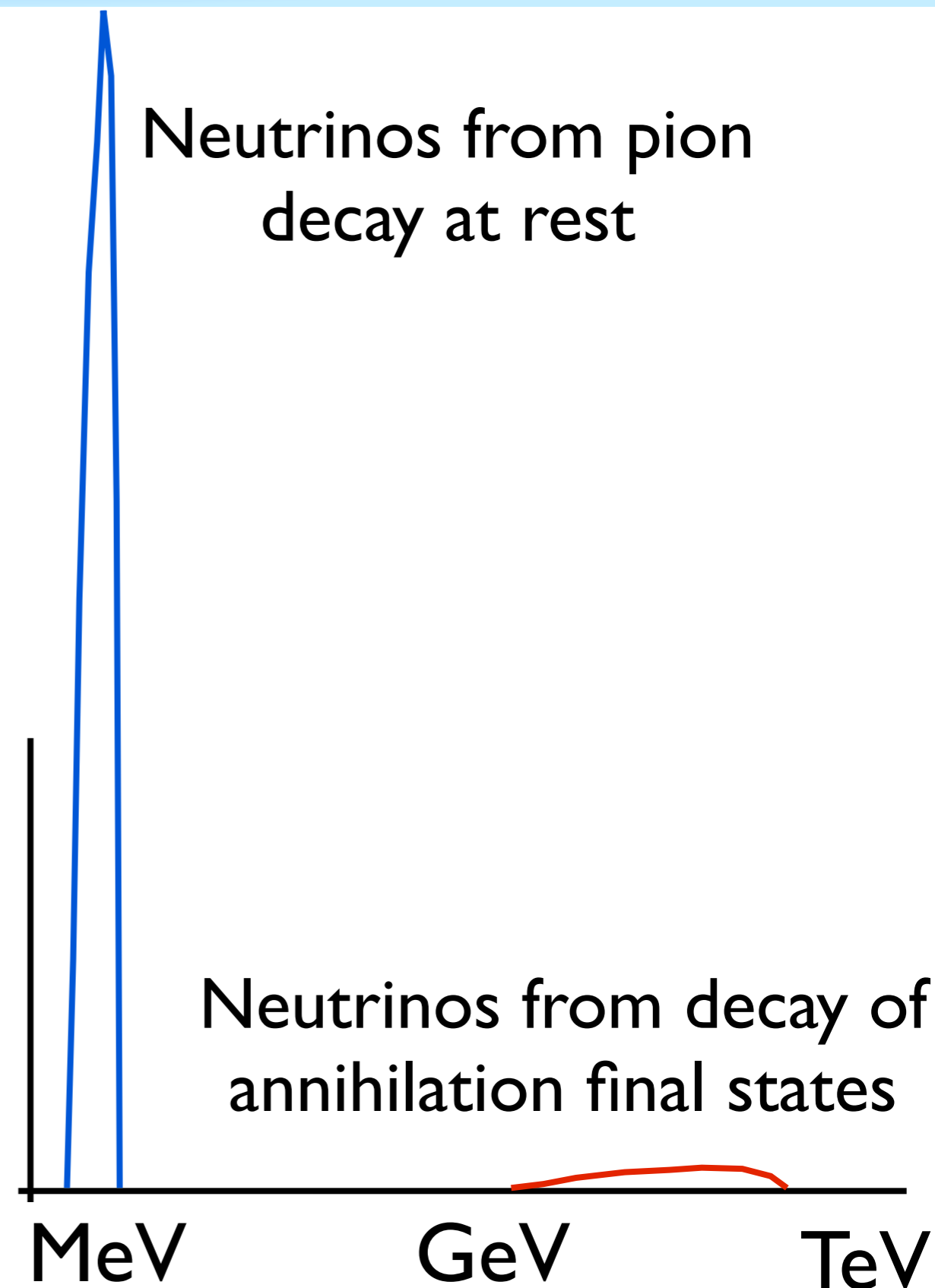
Let's have a closer look at this:

$e^+ \nu_e$       | high energy  $\nu$  + em shower

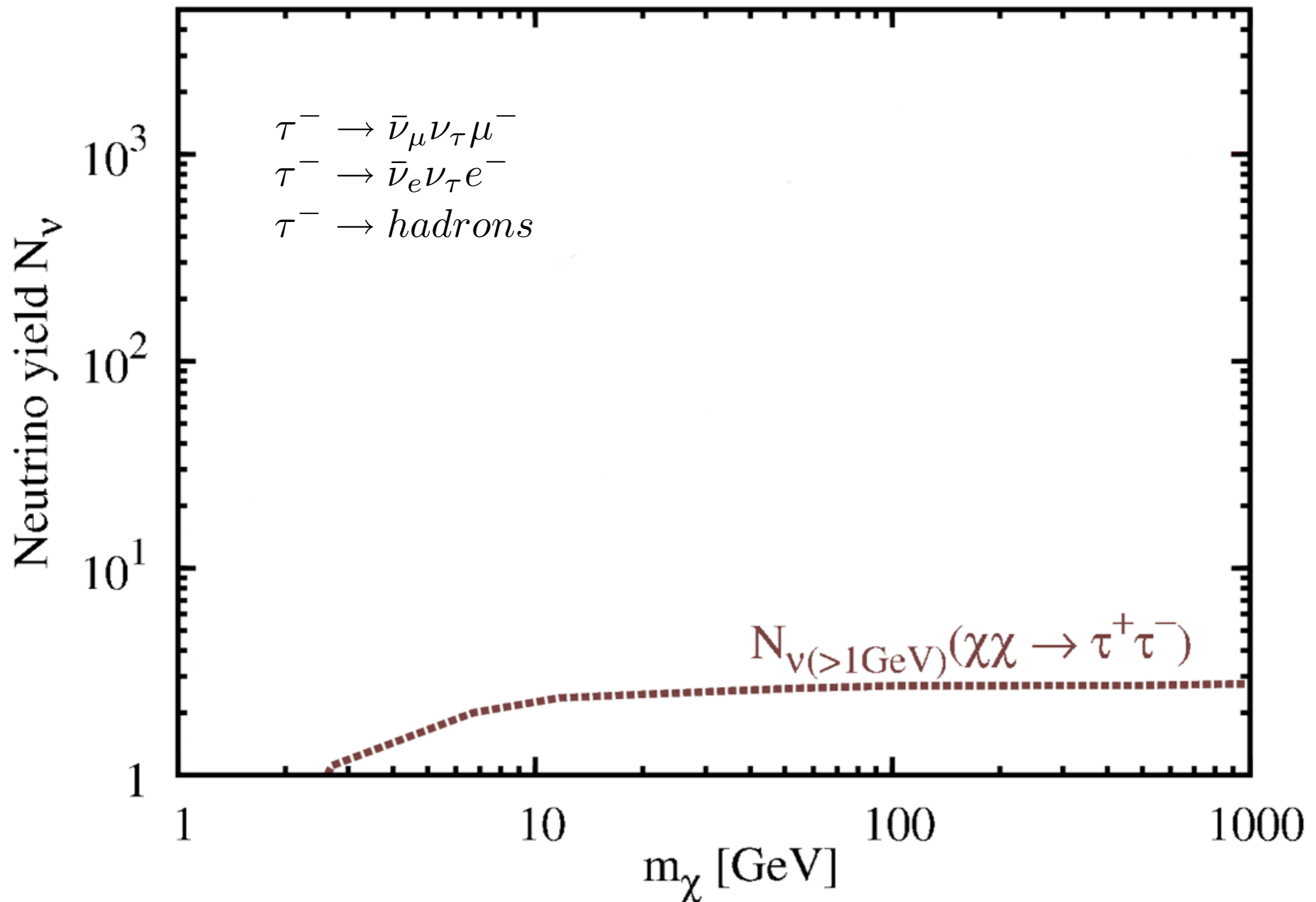
$\mu^+ \nu_\mu$       | high energy  $\nu$  + muon

$\tau^+ \nu_\tau$       | high energy  $\nu$  + tau decay

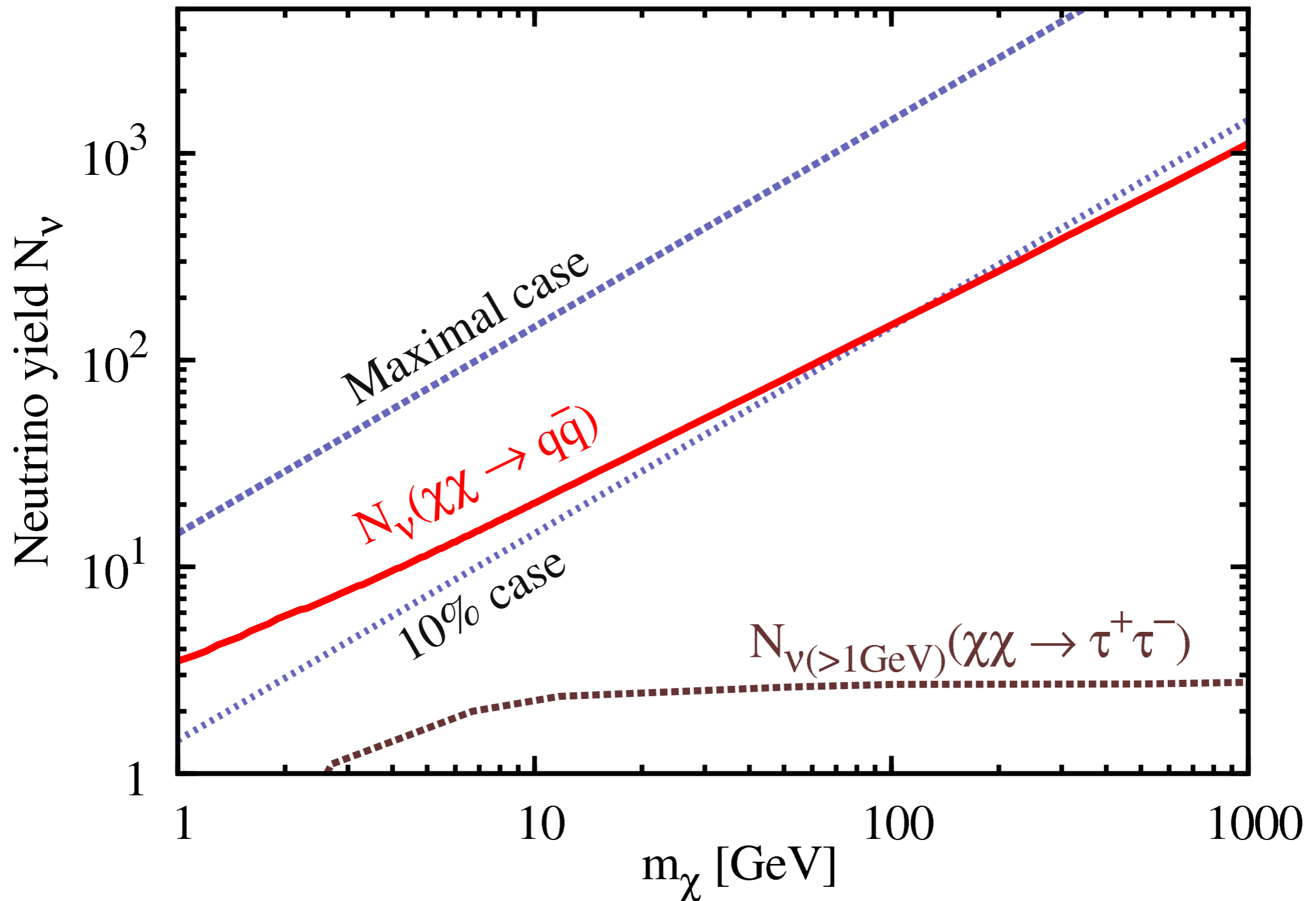
$qq$       hadronic shower



# What's the Neutrino yield ?

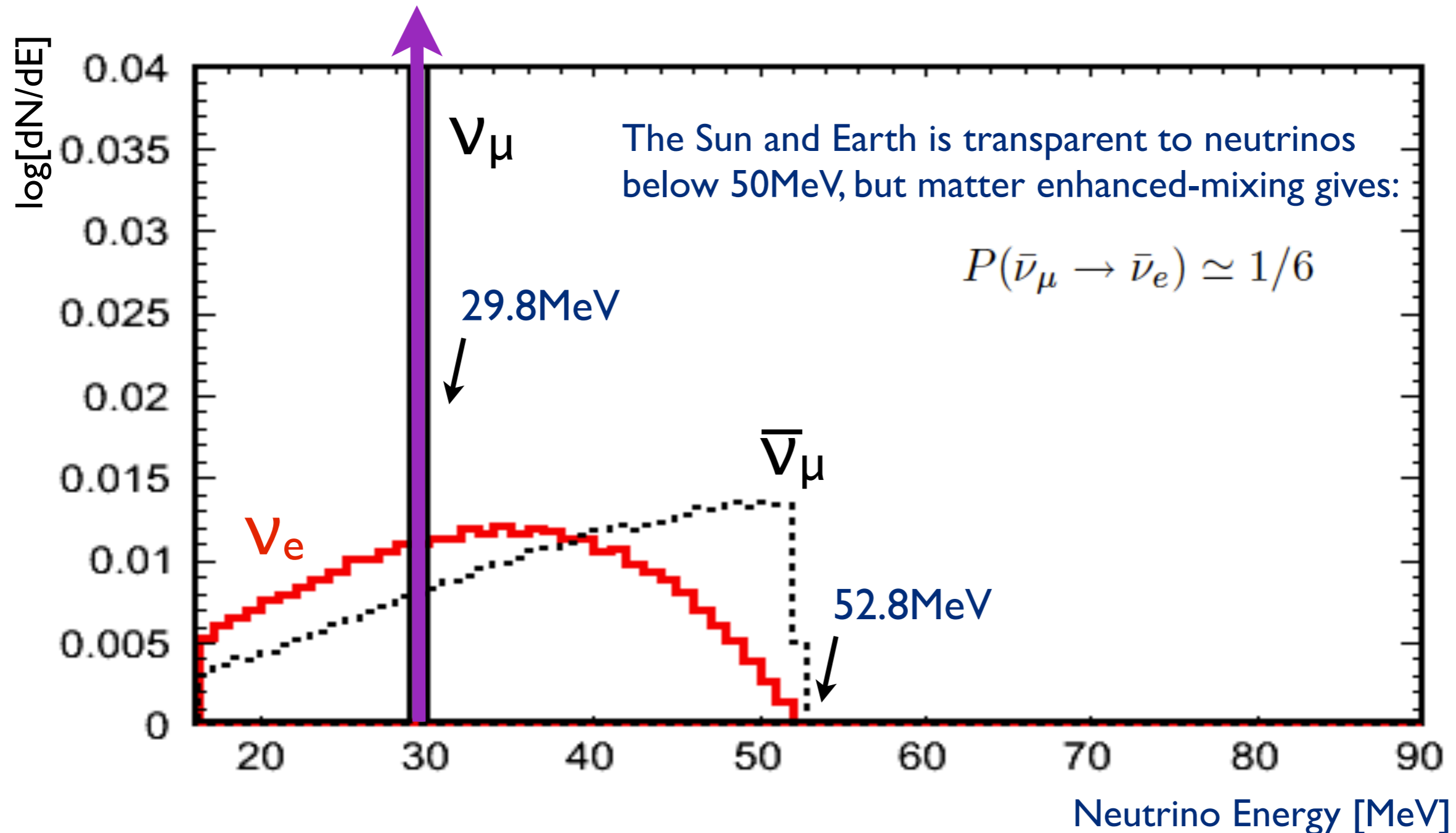


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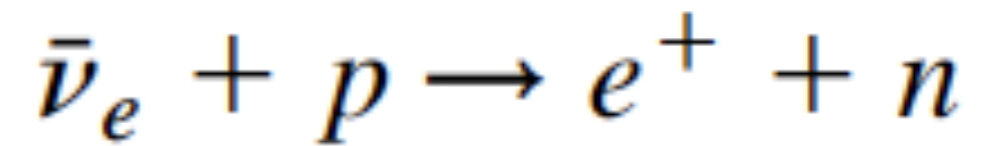
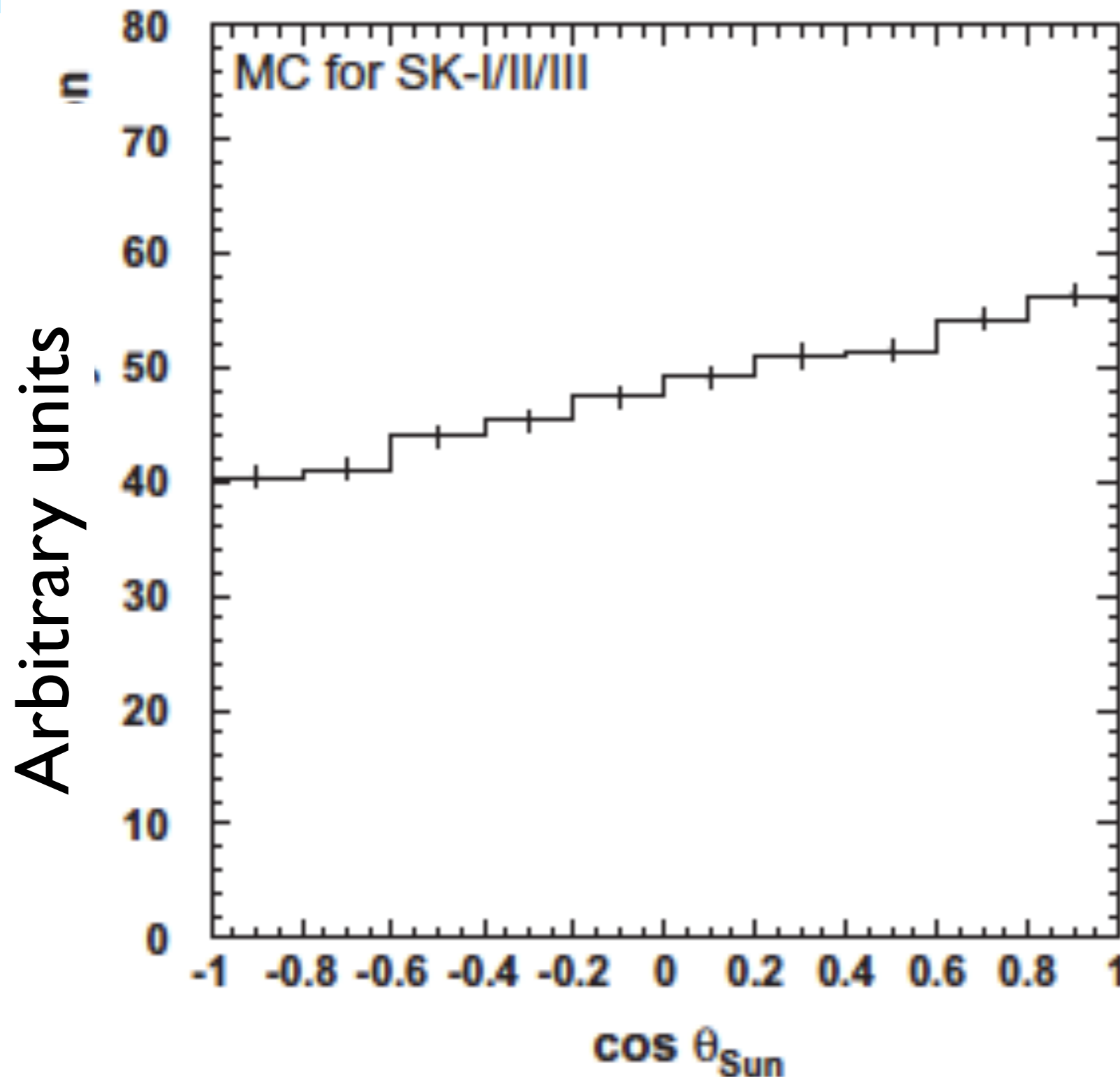


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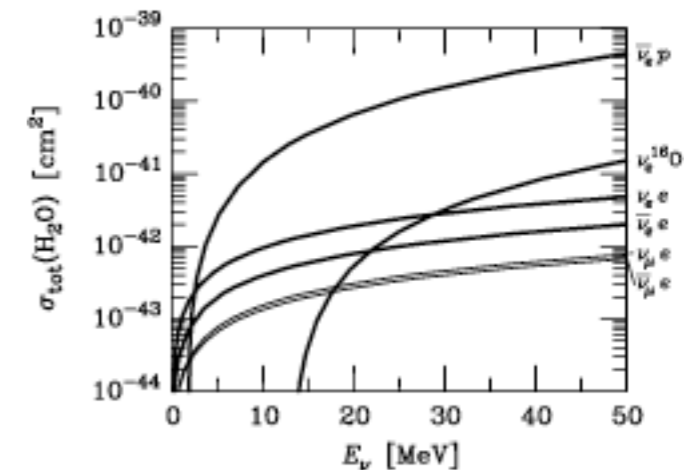
## Neutrino Spectrum in the Sun (normalized to unity)



# Inverse beta-decay



“large” cross section, but little directionality

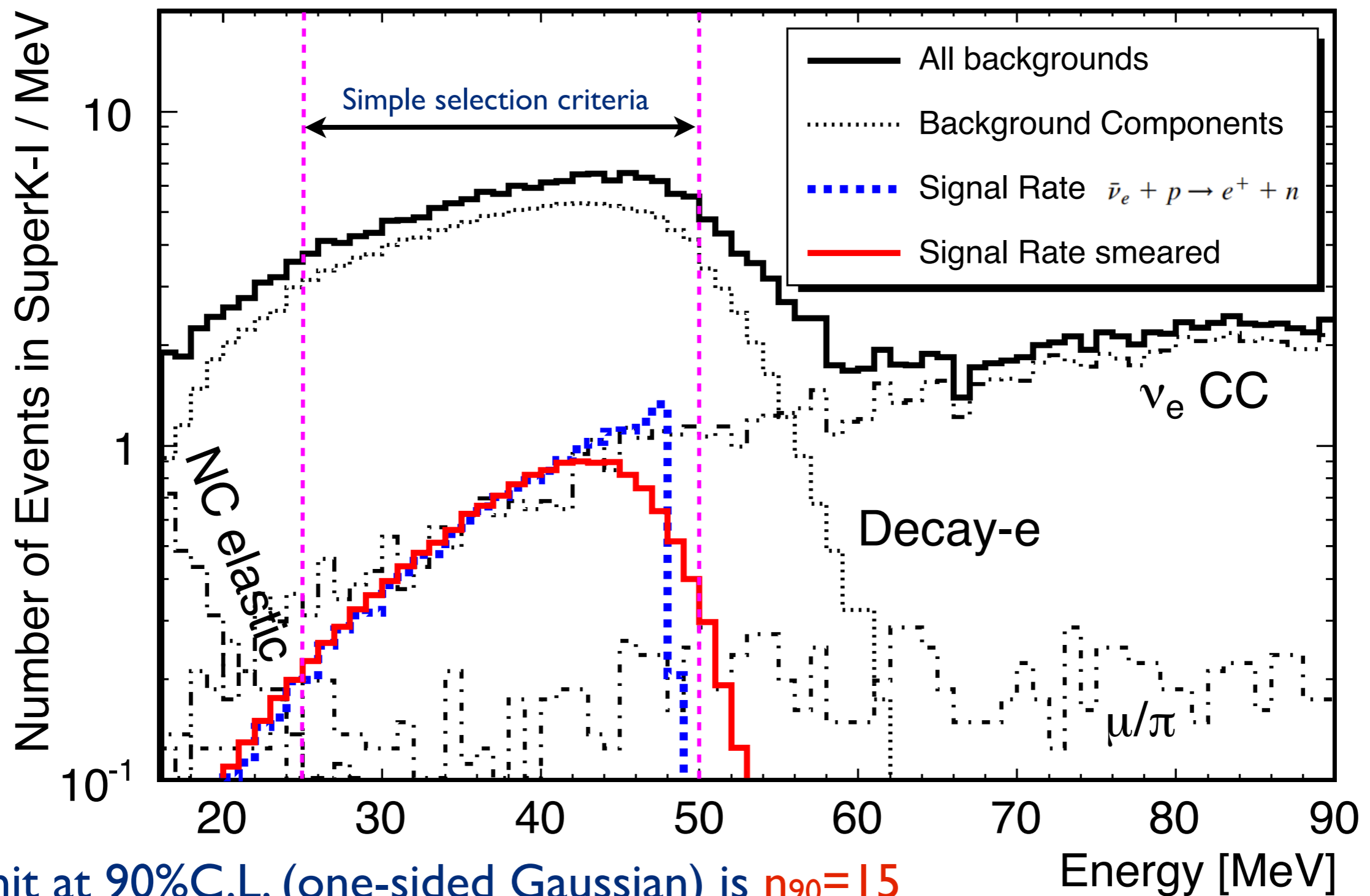


$$\sigma_{\nu p} \simeq [0.0952 \times 10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2 ((E_\nu / \text{MeV}) - 1.3)^2] (1 - 7E_\nu / m_p)$$

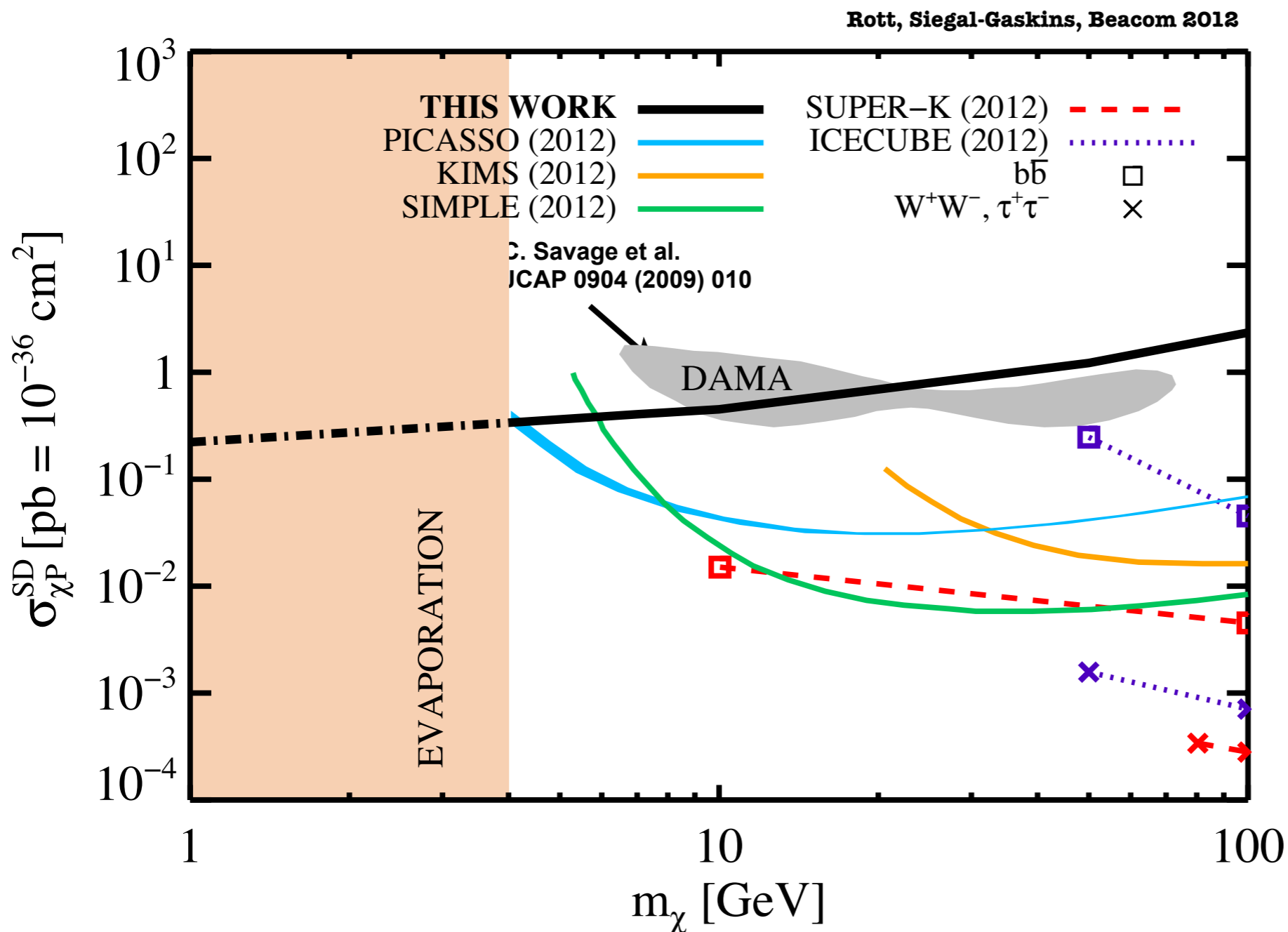
# Sensitivity Calculation Super-K

Positrons carry energy of  $E_e \simeq [E_\nu - 1.3 \text{ MeV}] (1 - E_\nu/m_p)$

To visualize the signal has been scaled to be “detectable”



# WIMP Sensitivity Super-K



Previous searches relied on high energy neutrinos directly from the decays of annihilation products

Model the full hadronic shower in the Sun

WIMP sensitivity continues to improve for low masses

Minimal dependence on annihilation channels

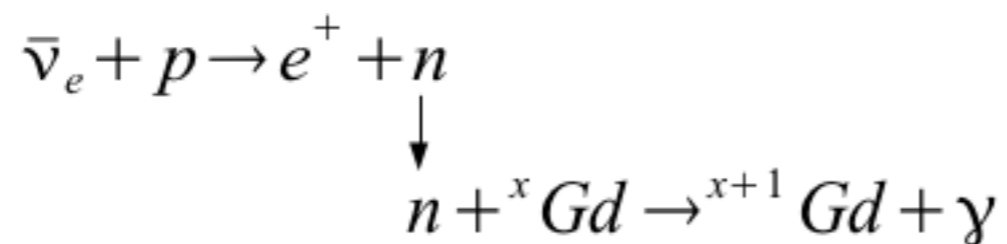
New key detection channel to compliment other searches

Super-K data can already be used to test DAMA/Libra

Interesting signatures for future neutrino detectors (LENA, Hyper-K, ...), other nuclear final states could provide additional sensitivity

# Gadolinium

- Decay electron events are the dominant background
- Identifying neutron of the inverse beta decay reaction can provide a way to discriminate against this background
- Proposal: Add Gd to Super-K [Beacom and Vagins, Phys. Rev. Lett., 93:171101, 2004]
- Neutron capture on Gd emits a 8.0 MeV  $\gamma$  cascade after a characteristic time  $\sim 30\mu\text{s}$
- $\text{GdCl}_3$  and  $\text{Gd}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$ , unlike metallic Gd, are highly water soluble
- 100 tons (0.2% by mass in SK) would yield  $>90\%$  neutron captures on Gd

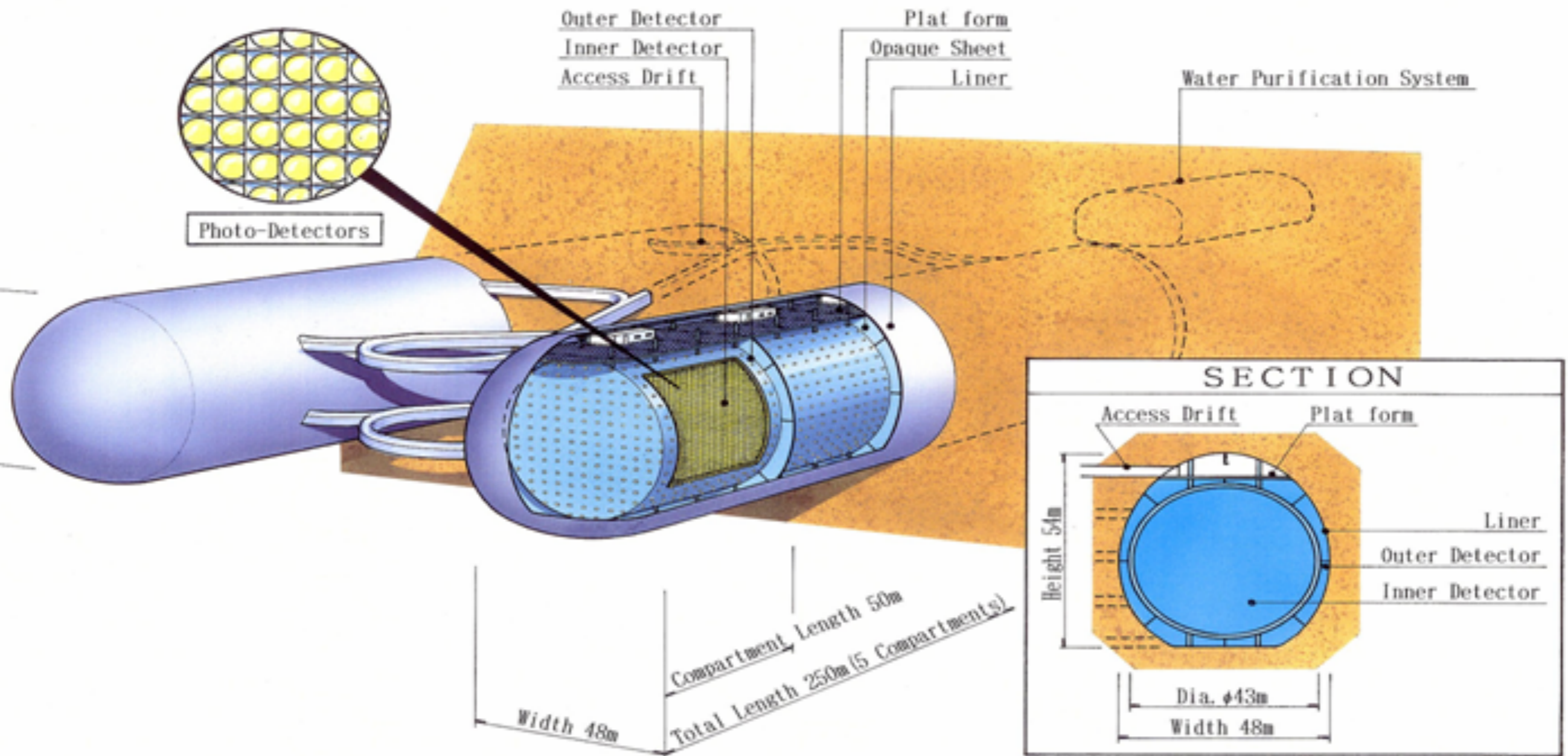


200tons  
240 50-cm PMT's

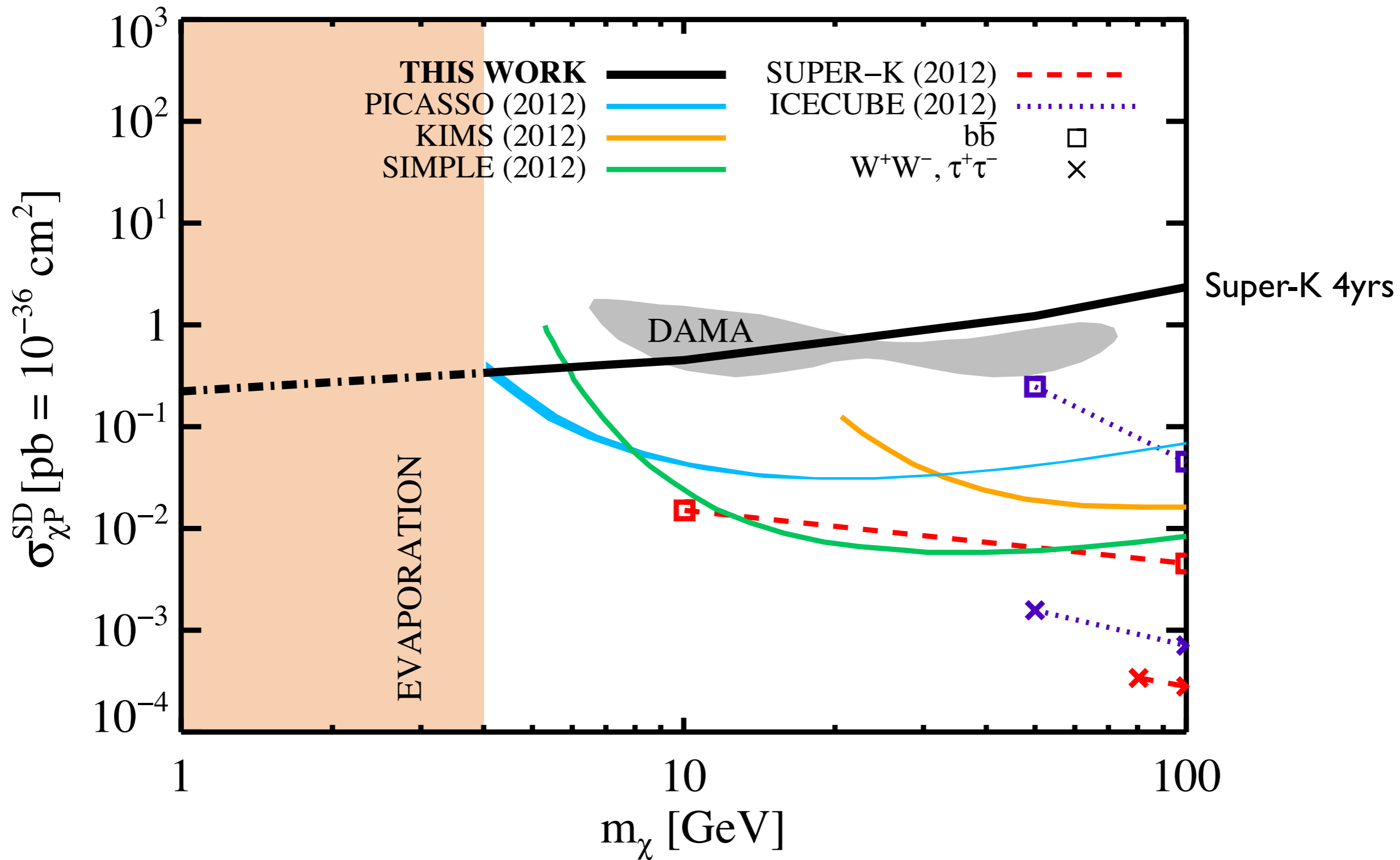
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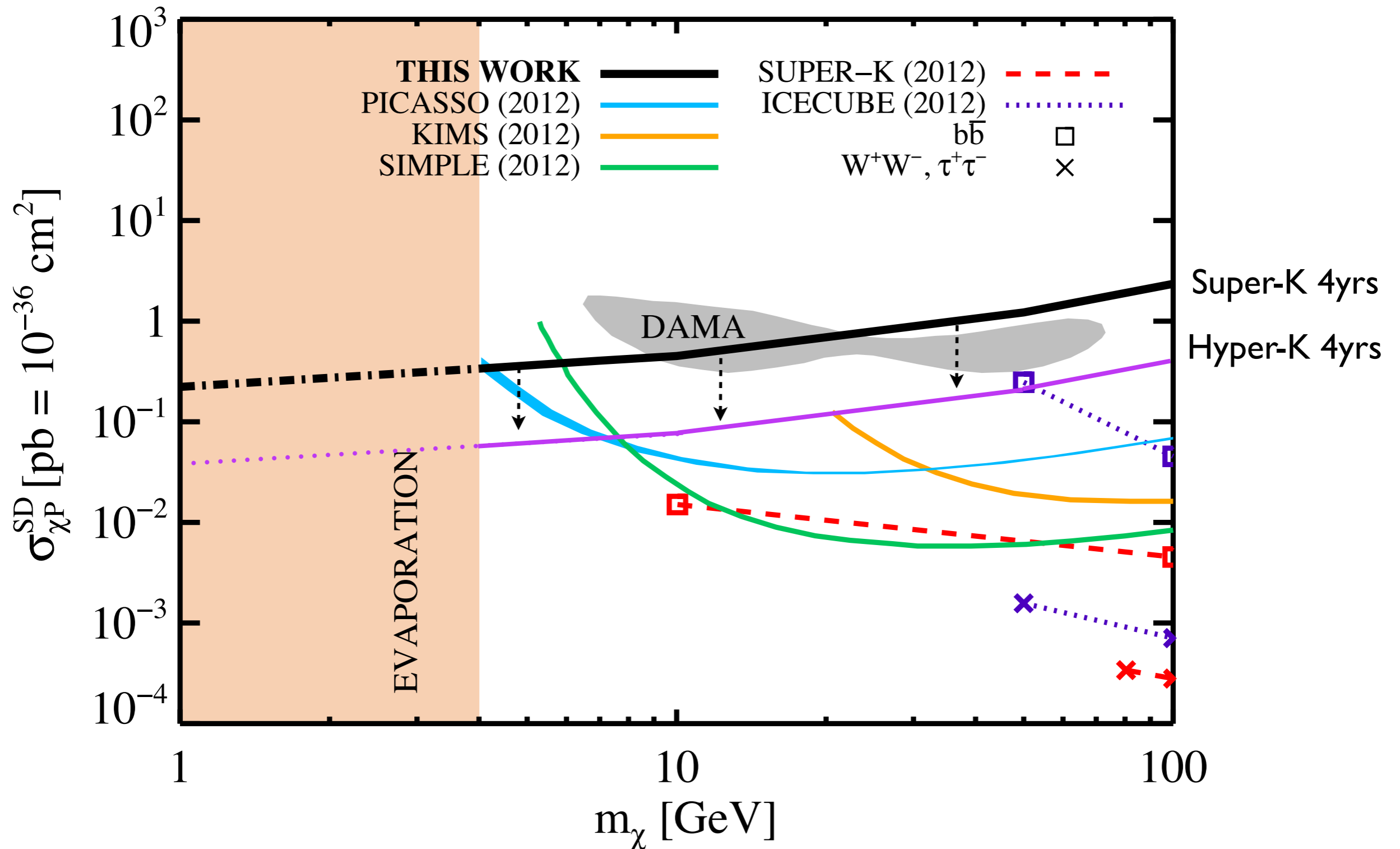
# Hyper-K



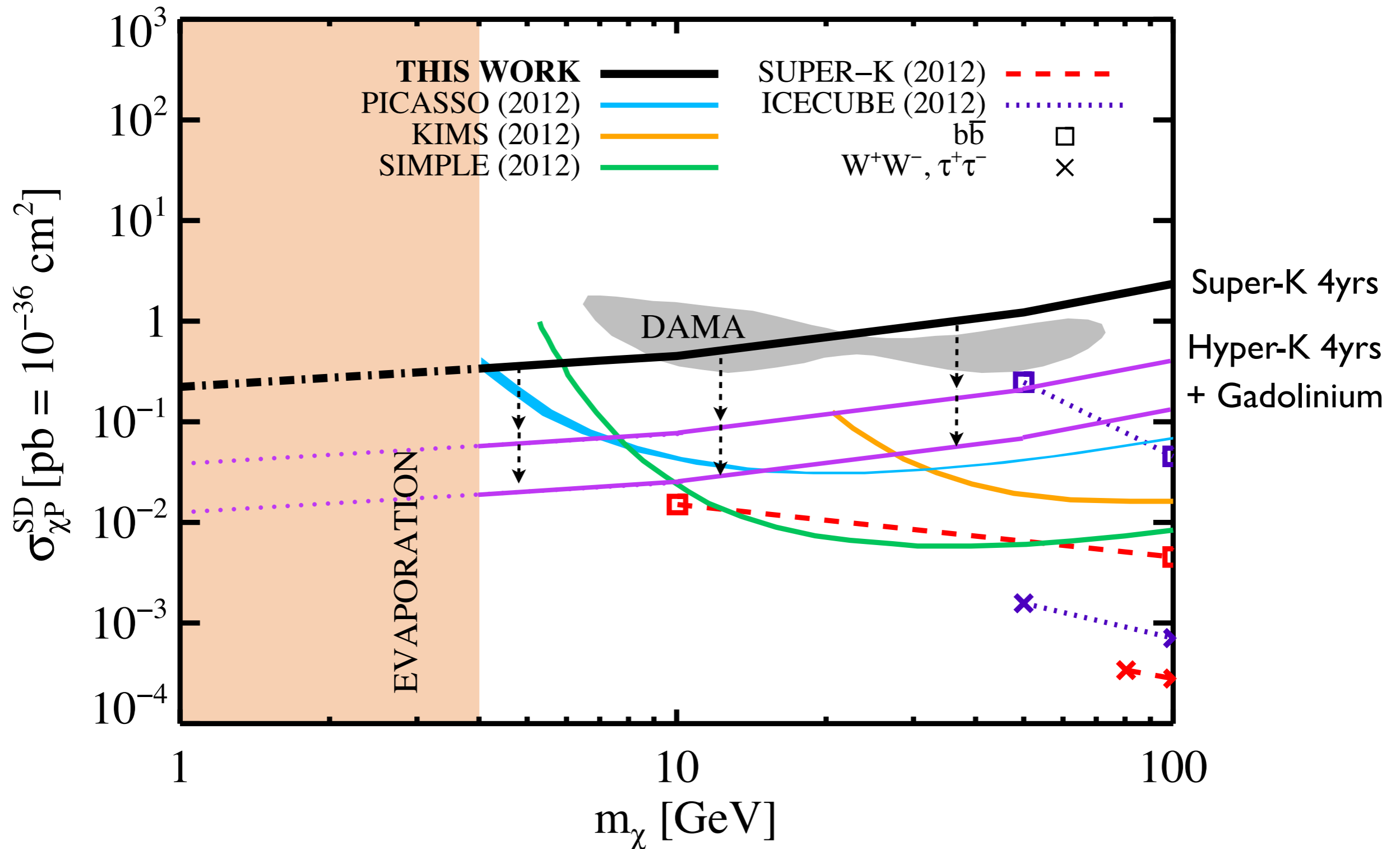
# Hyper-K Sensitivity 4yrs



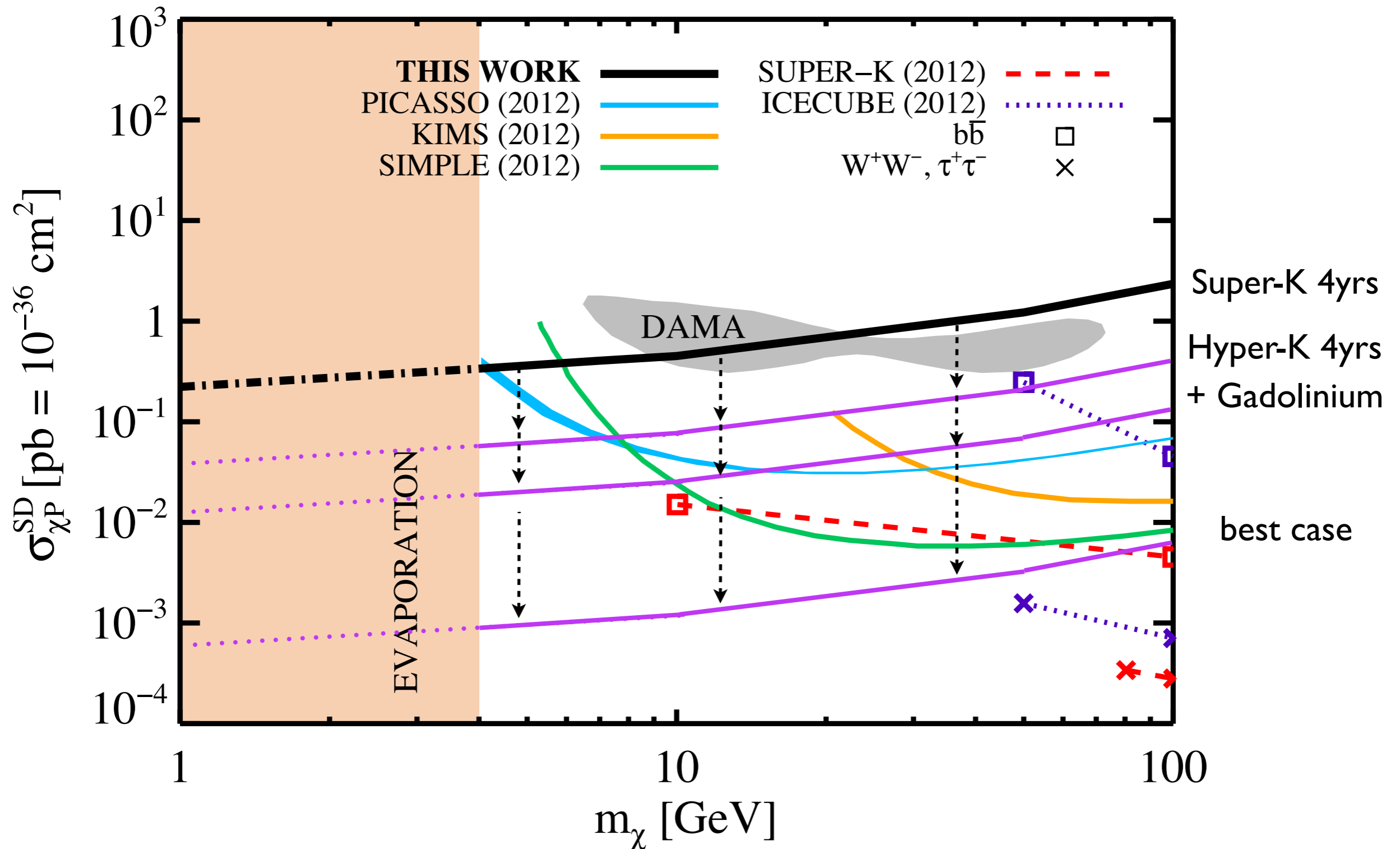
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# Why low-energy neutrinos

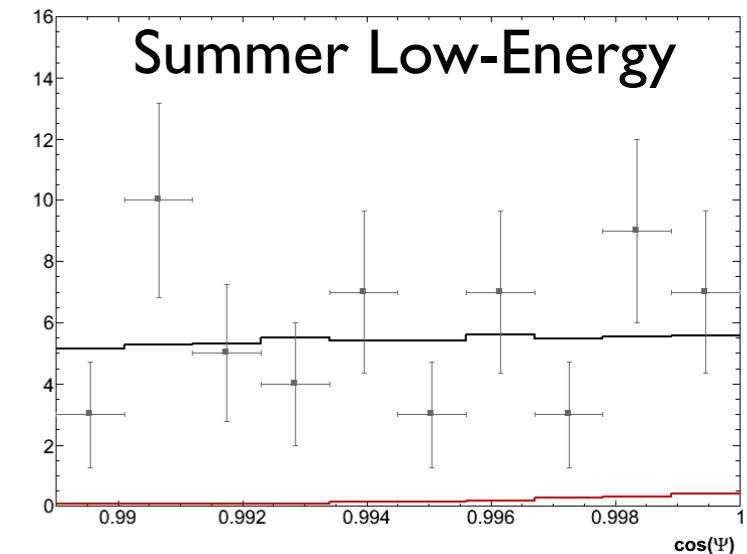
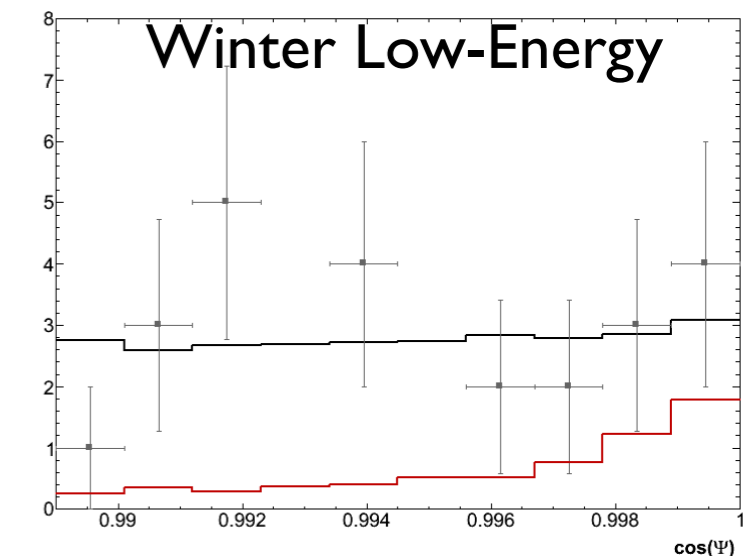
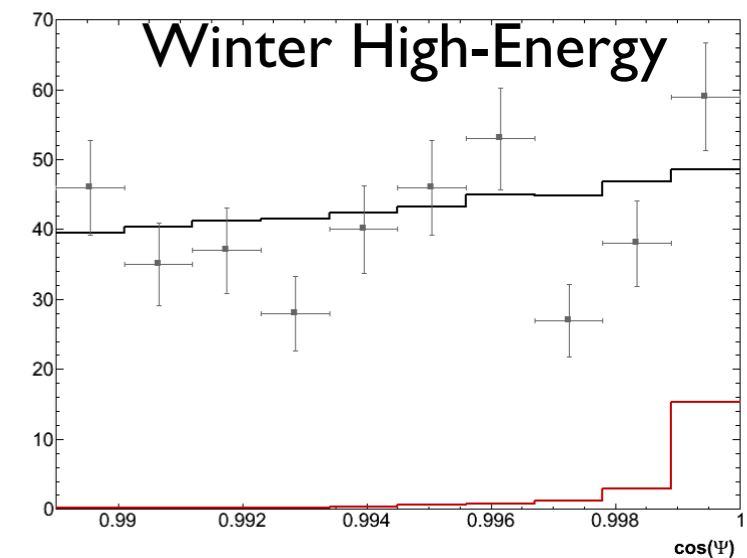
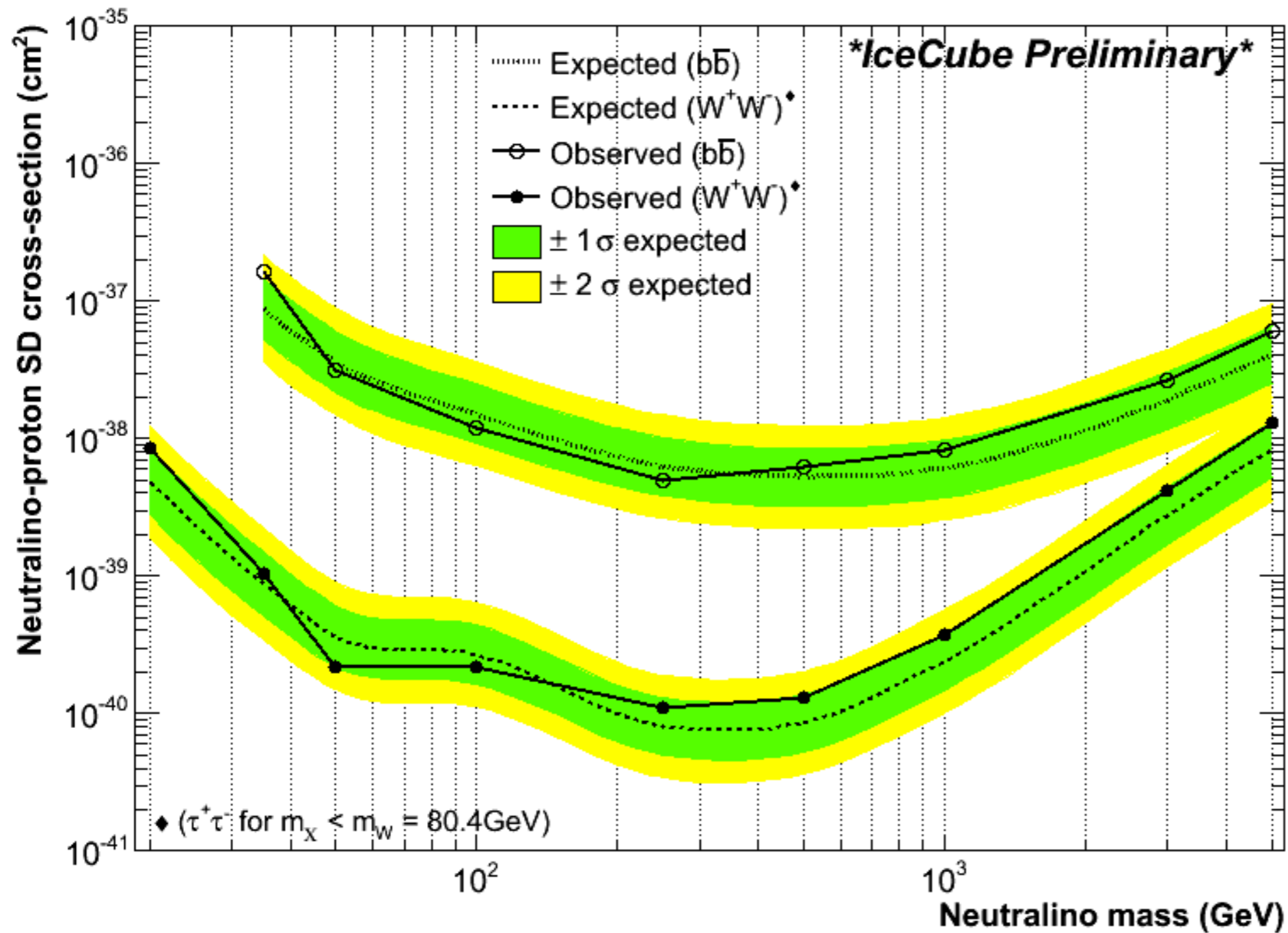
- Sensitivity is nearly flat as function of WIMP mass
  - Low-WIMP mass scenarios can be tested
- Low-energy neutrino flux is relatively independent of the mix of final states
- Sensitivity to scenarios in which no high energy neutrinos are produced
- Observation of a combination of low-energy and high-energy neutrinos can help to disentangle the mix of WIMP annihilation final states

# Conclusions

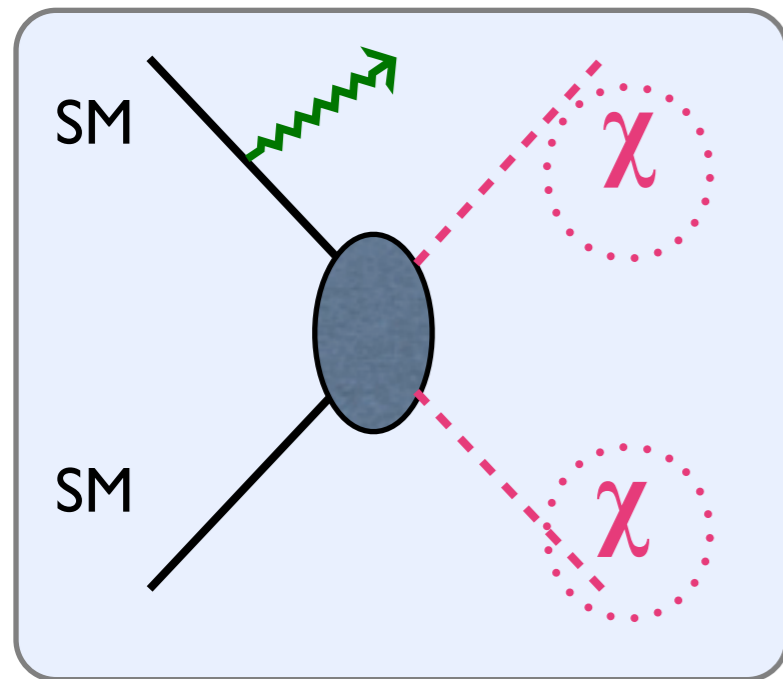
- Striking WIMP signatures provide high discovery potential for indirect searches
- Super-K and IceCube provide world best limits on the SD WIMP-Proton scattering cross section
- Neutrinos extremely sensitive to test low-mass WIMP scenarios at current and future detectors
- New detection channel with low-energy neutrinos offers additional discovery potential

# Backup

# IceCube 79-strings result



# LHC - Indirect - Direct Connection



Observation of a indirect WIMP signal  
 → combined with LHC search start probing underlying theory

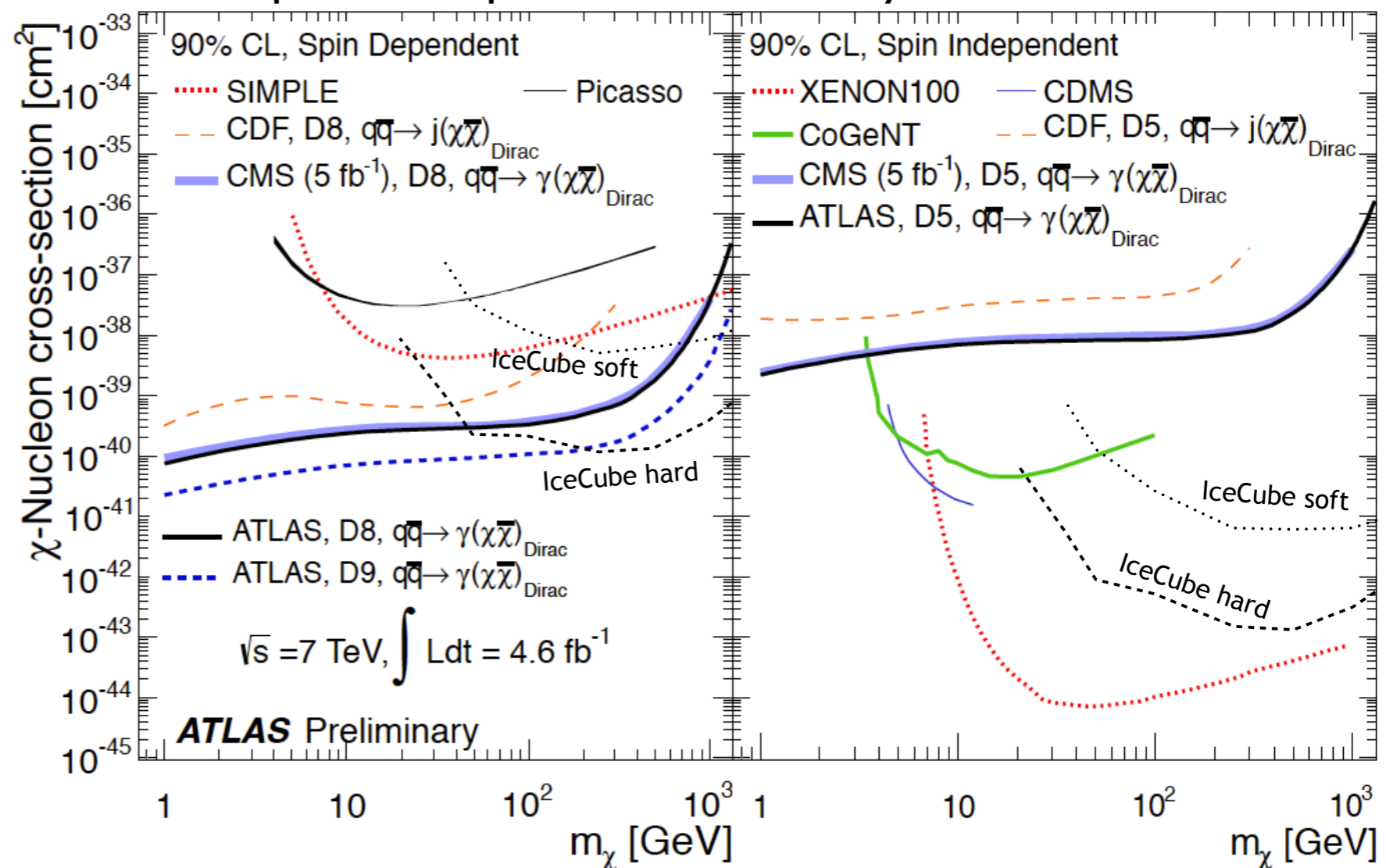
## WIMPs at LHC:

WIMPs expected to interact with Standard Model (SM) particle via new interaction

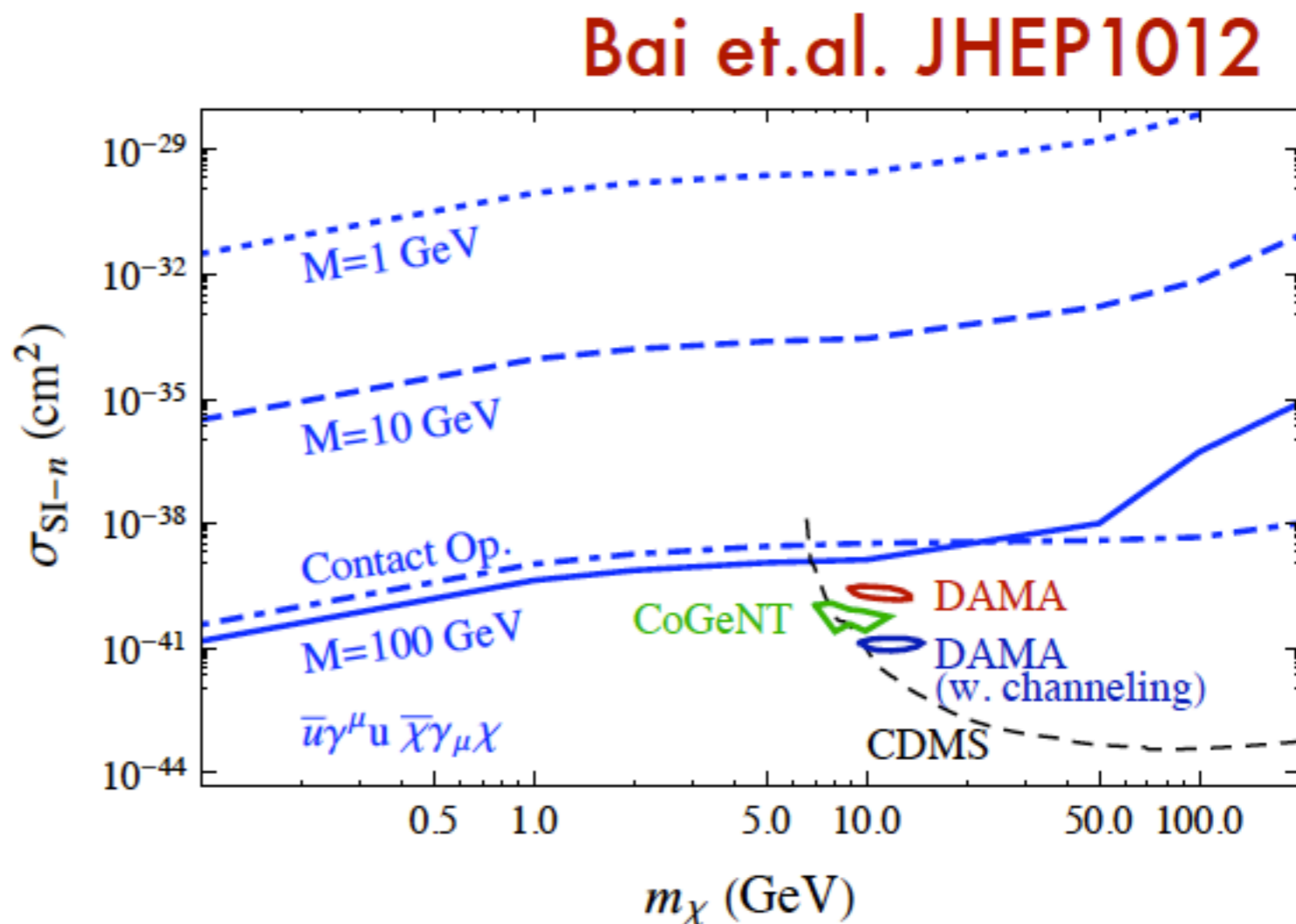
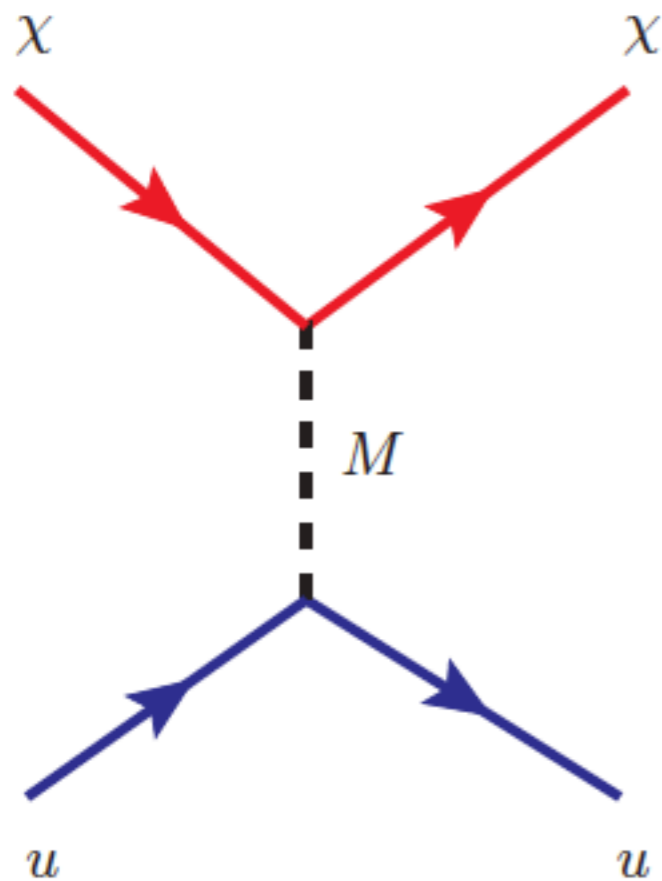
Assume mediating particles too heavy to be produced directly

→ effective field theory (contact interaction)

## Example: mono-photon + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ analysis



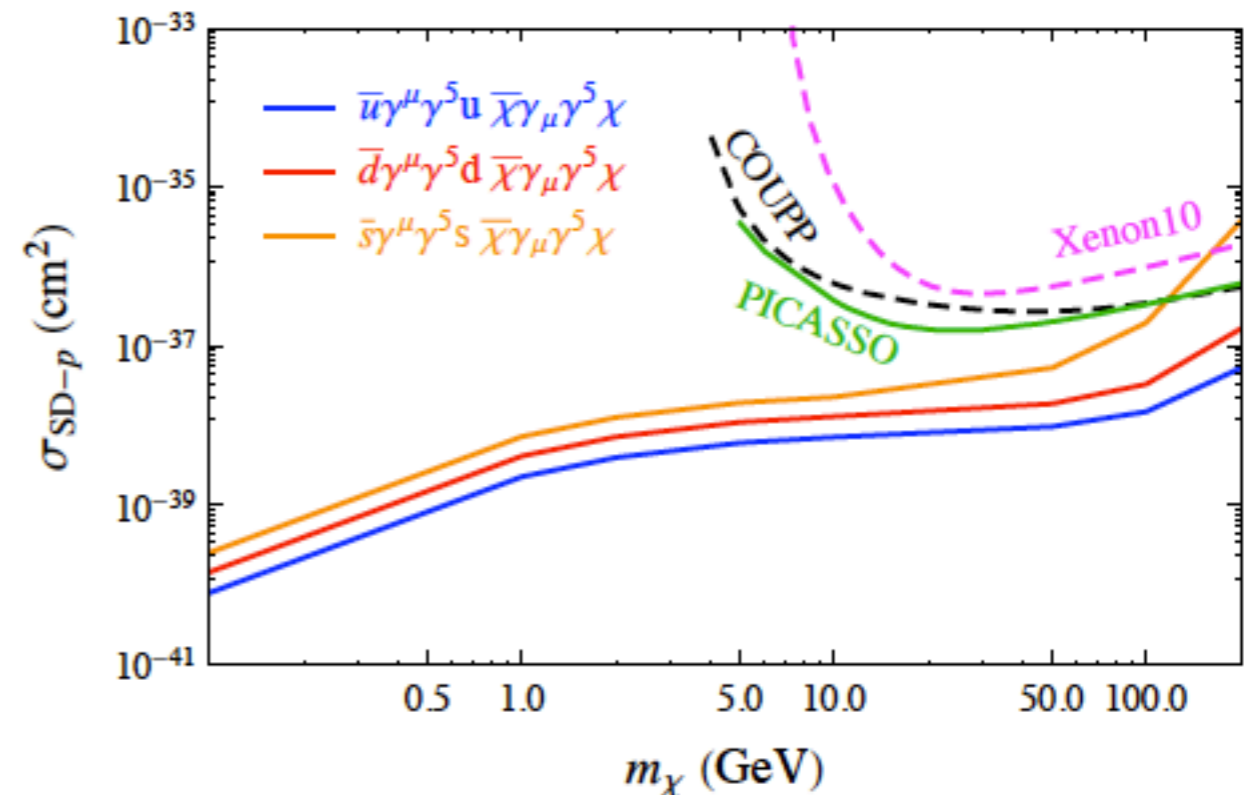
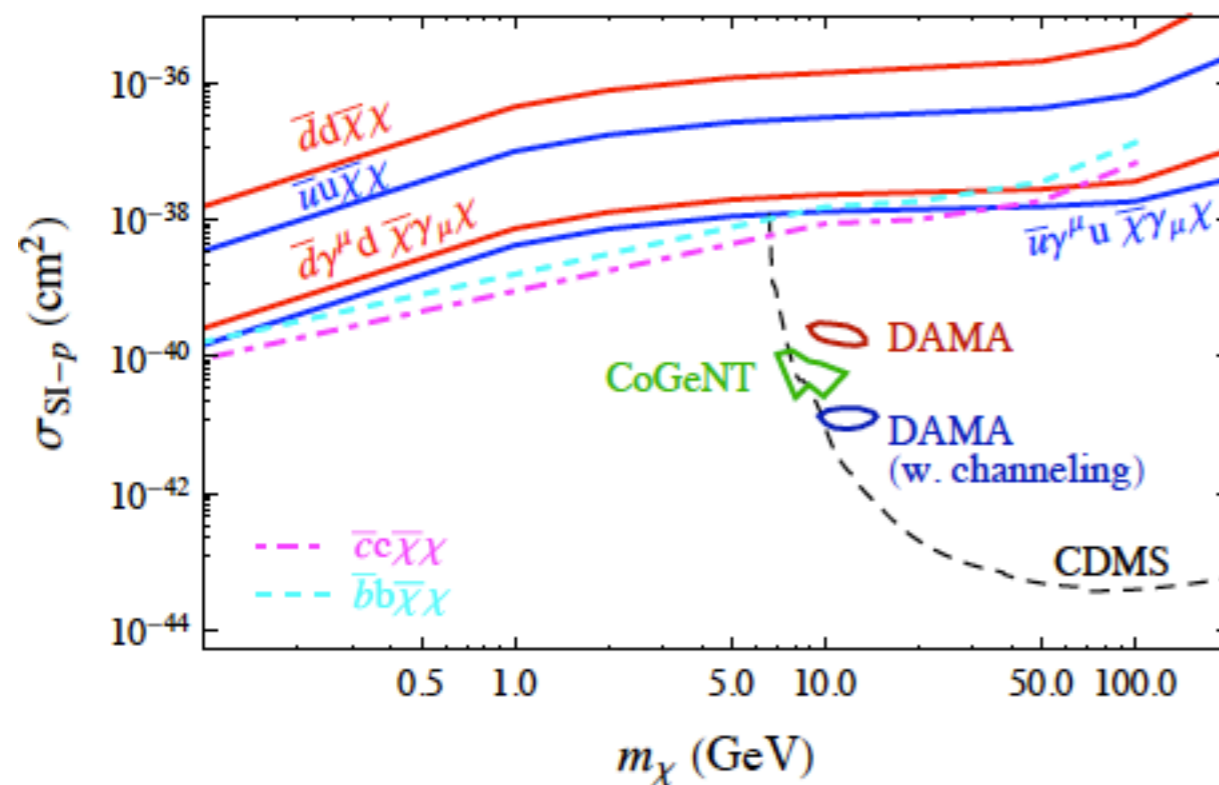
# Accelerator Bounds



Direct detection enhanced over collider  
production if exchange has light mediator  
 $M < p_T(1\text{jet})$

# Accelerator Bounds - Monojets

Bai et.al. JHEP1012



Paper analyzed implications of CDF monojet search  
in "direct detection" plane