



# Discovering dark matter at the high mass frontier

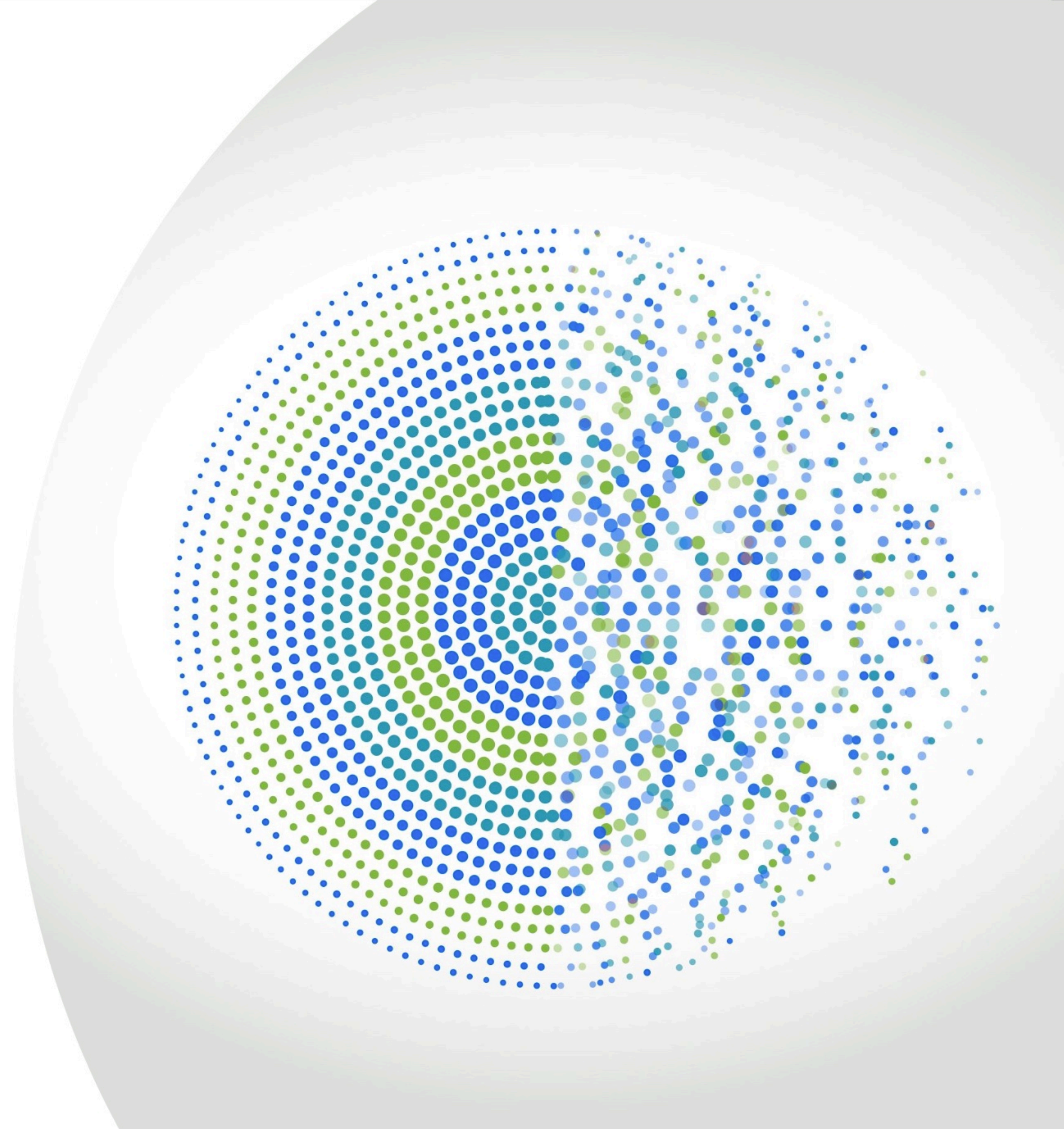
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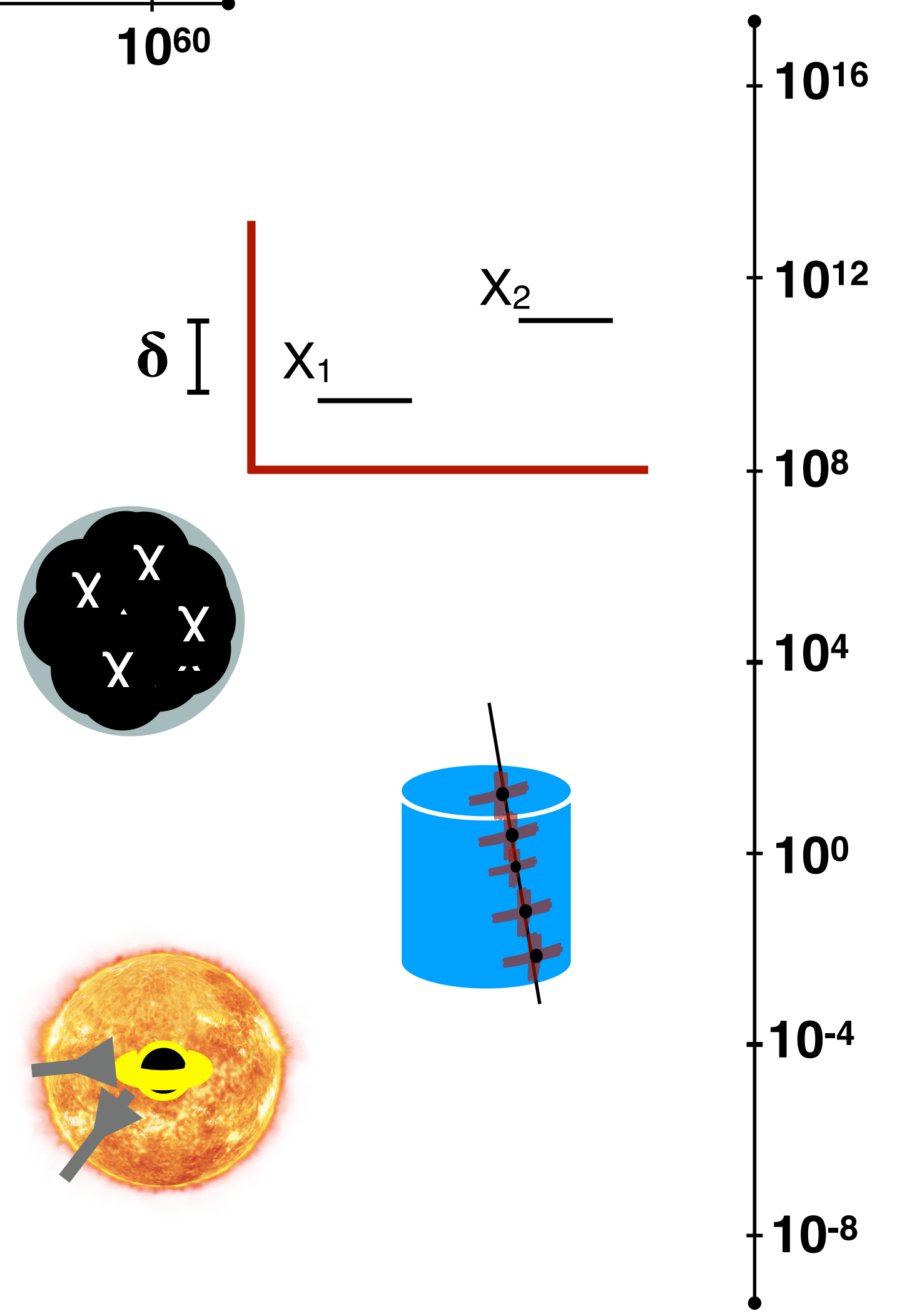


◆ Higgsino dark matter at high recoil and in neutron stars

◆ DM composite formation, Migdal, multi scatter detection

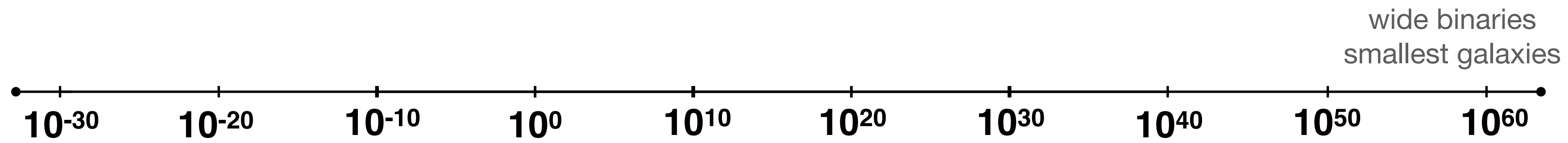
◆ Dark matter forming black holes in the Sun and Earth

◆ Thermal neutron star searches for (sub halo) dark matter



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mass in GeV



fermi pressure  
vs small scale fermion

de Broglie  
vs small scale

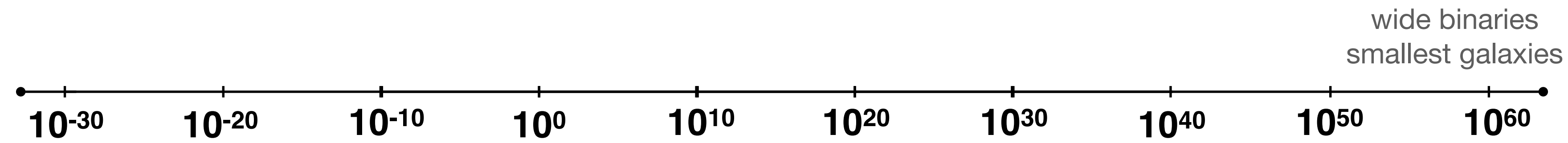
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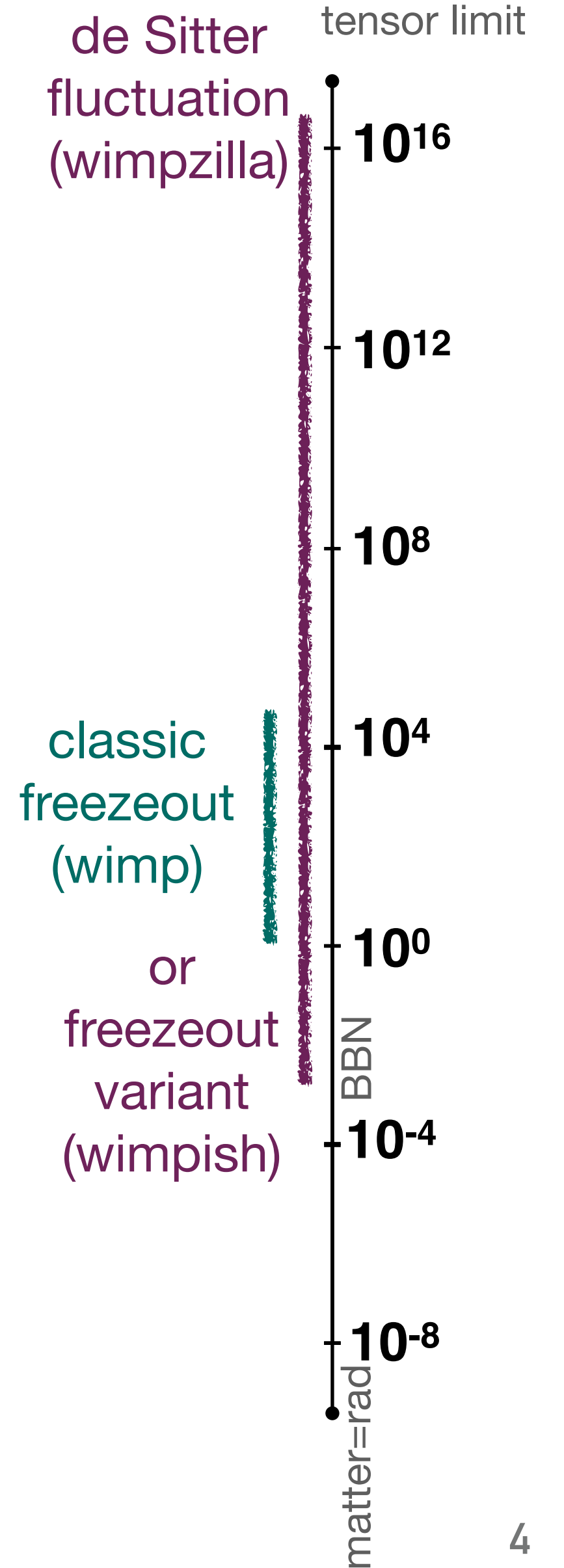
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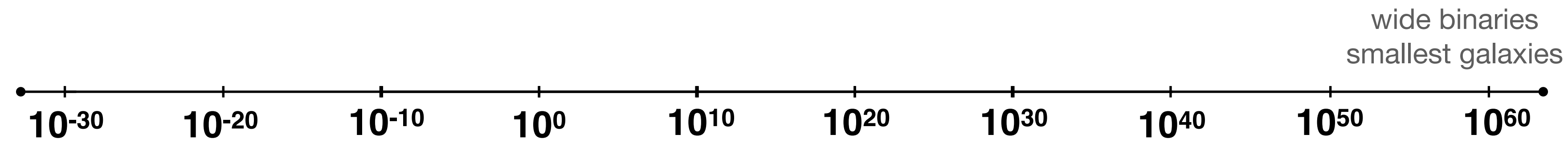
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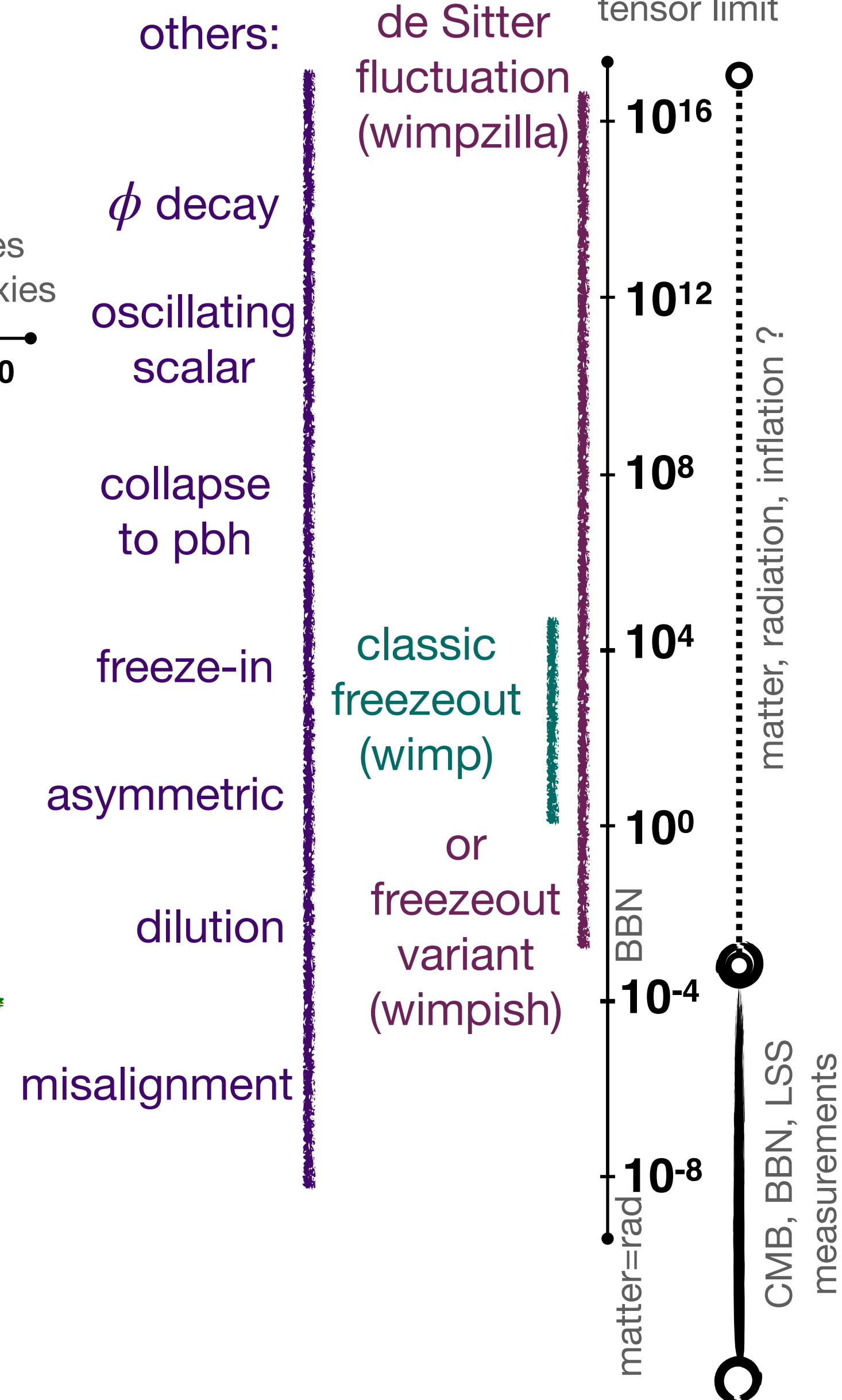
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wide binaries  
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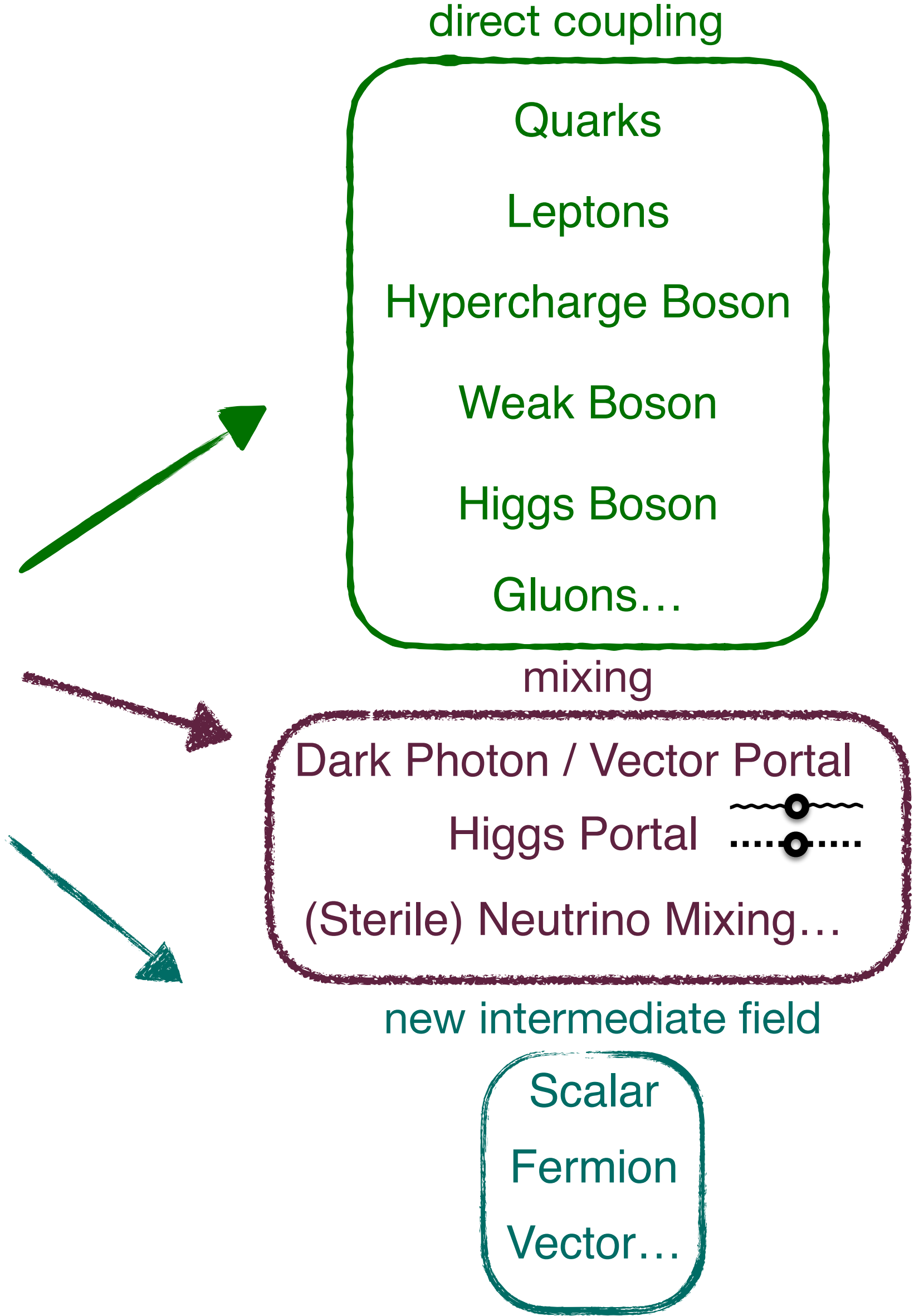
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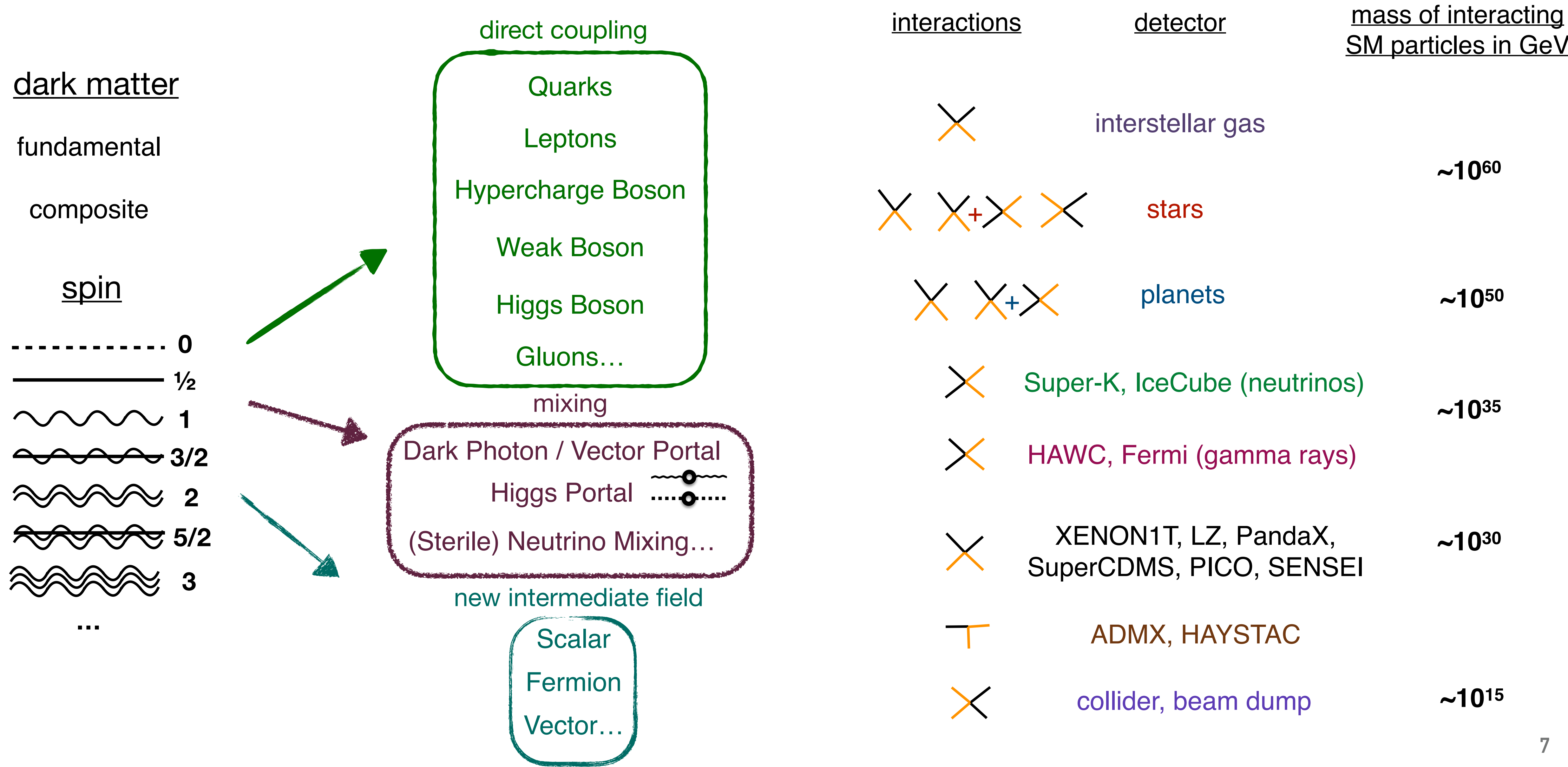
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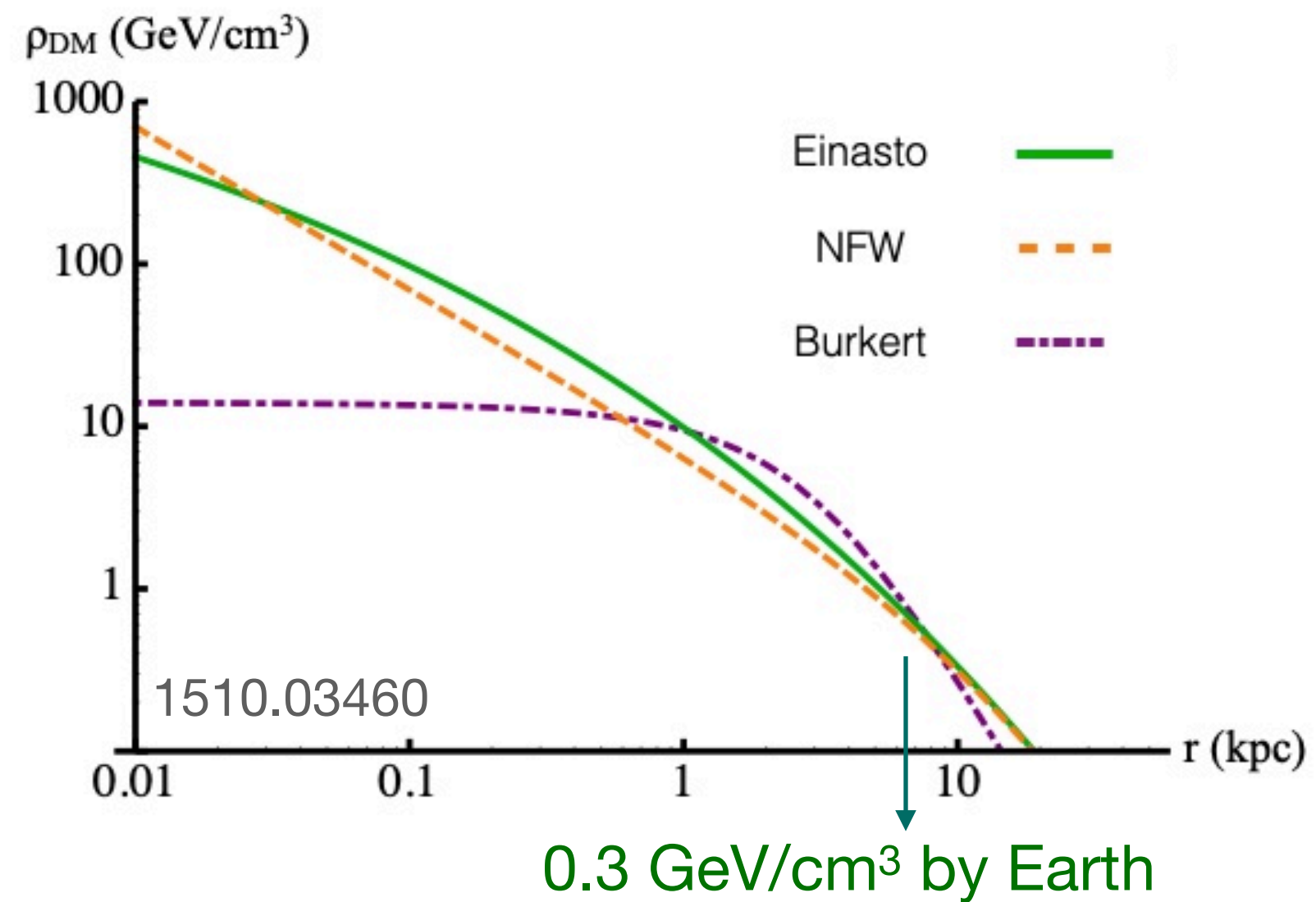
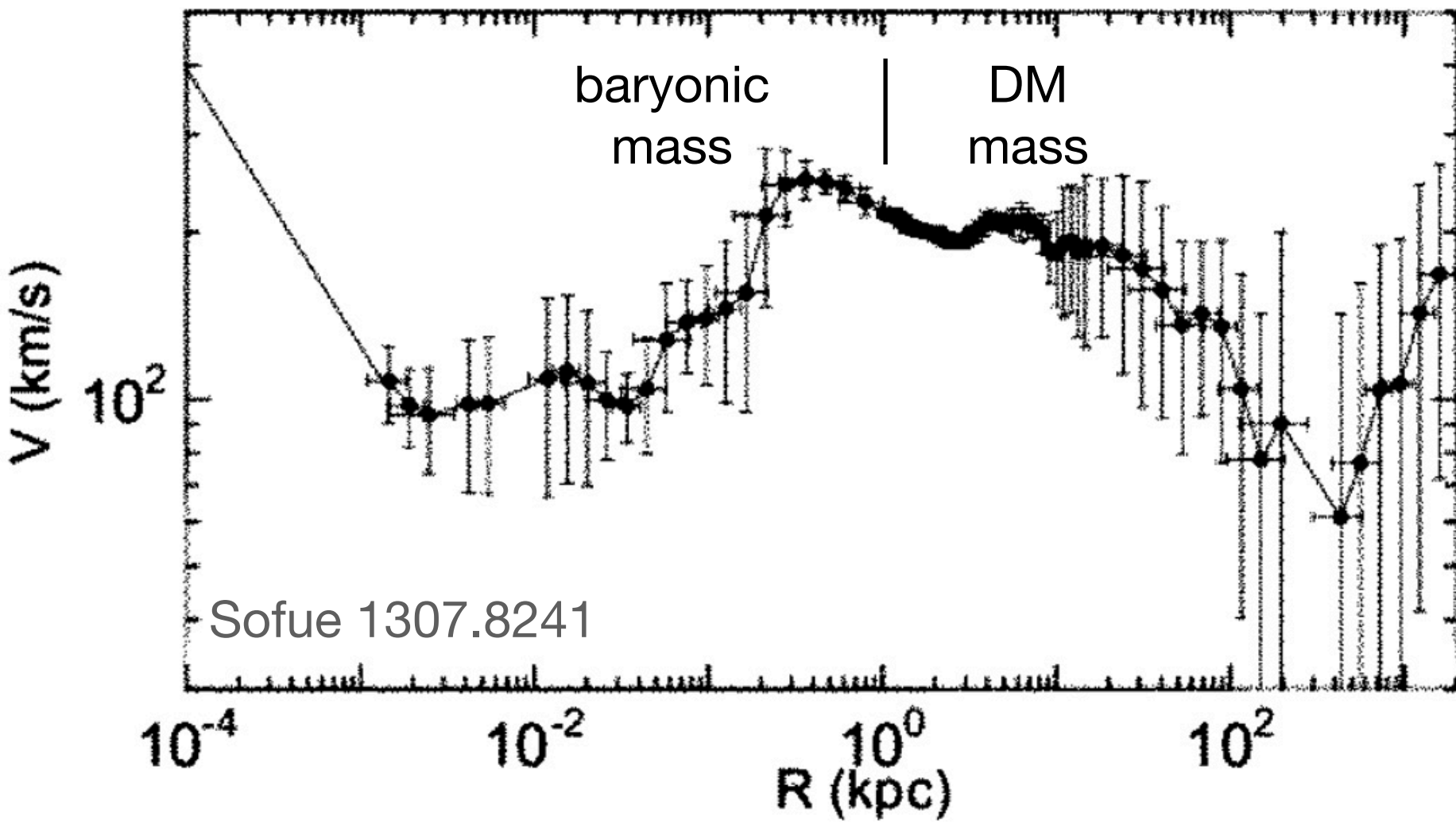
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 annihilation
  scattering
  DM production



# Dark matter near us

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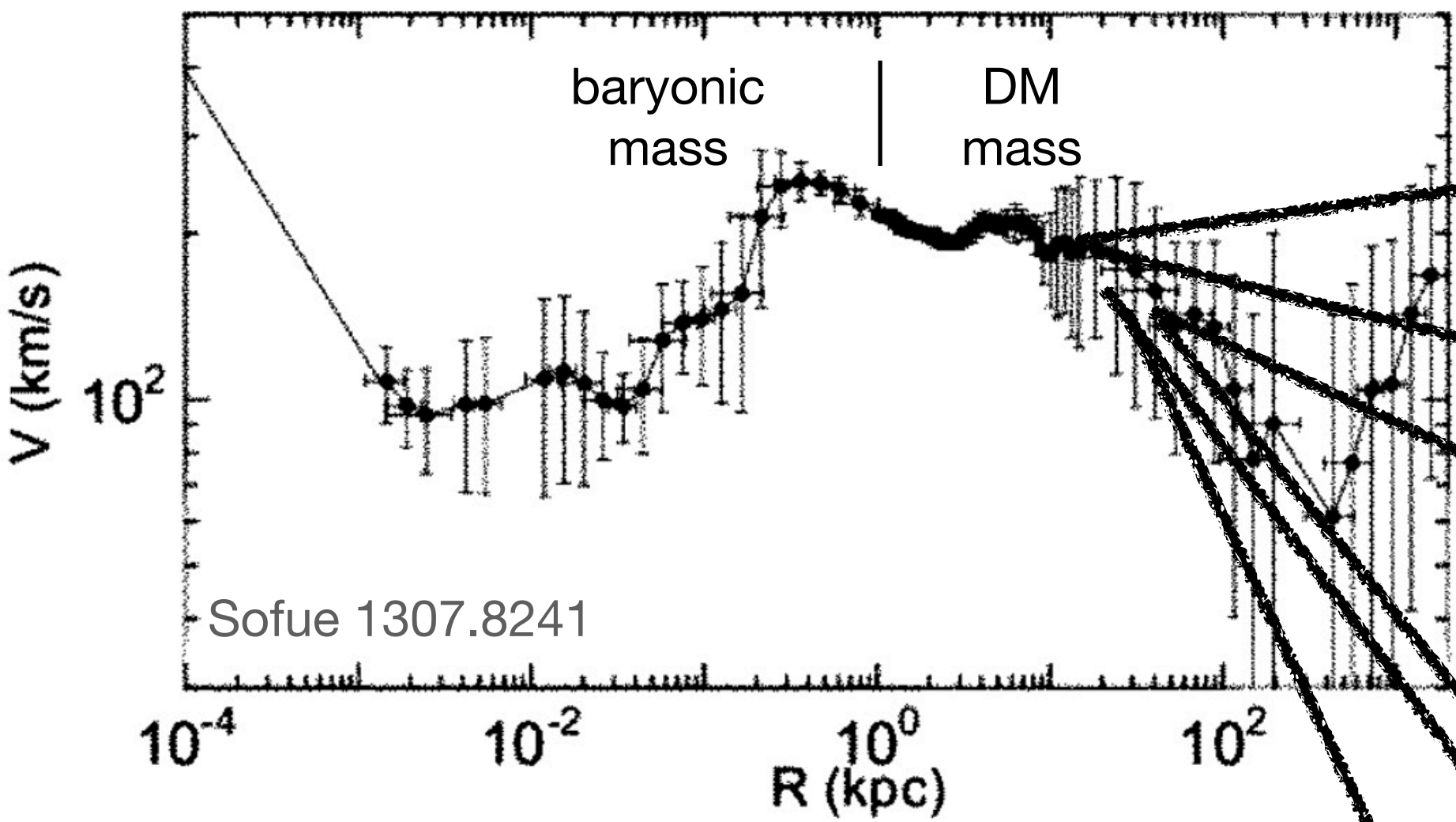


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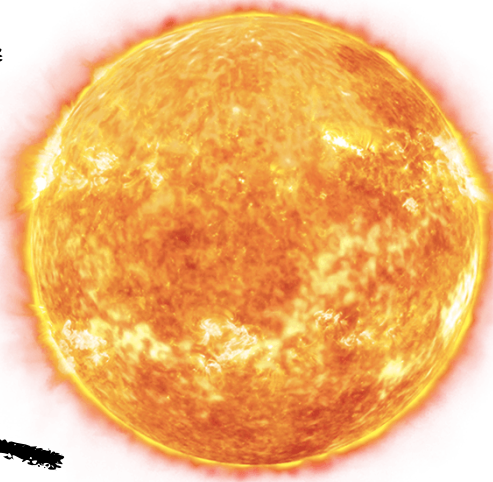
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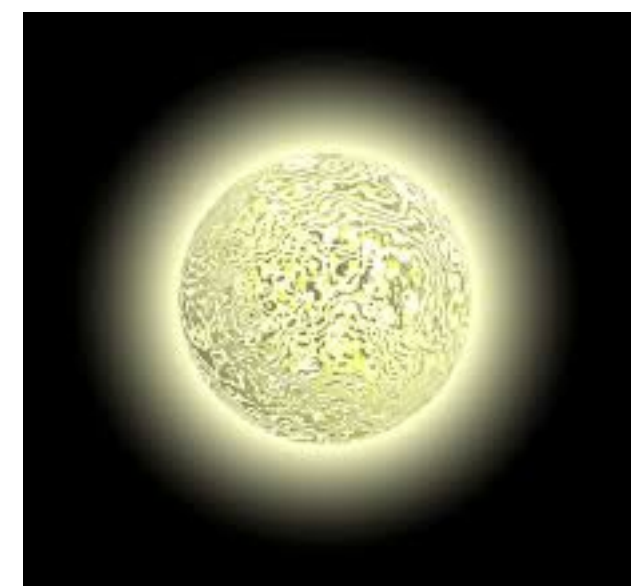
local fine structure



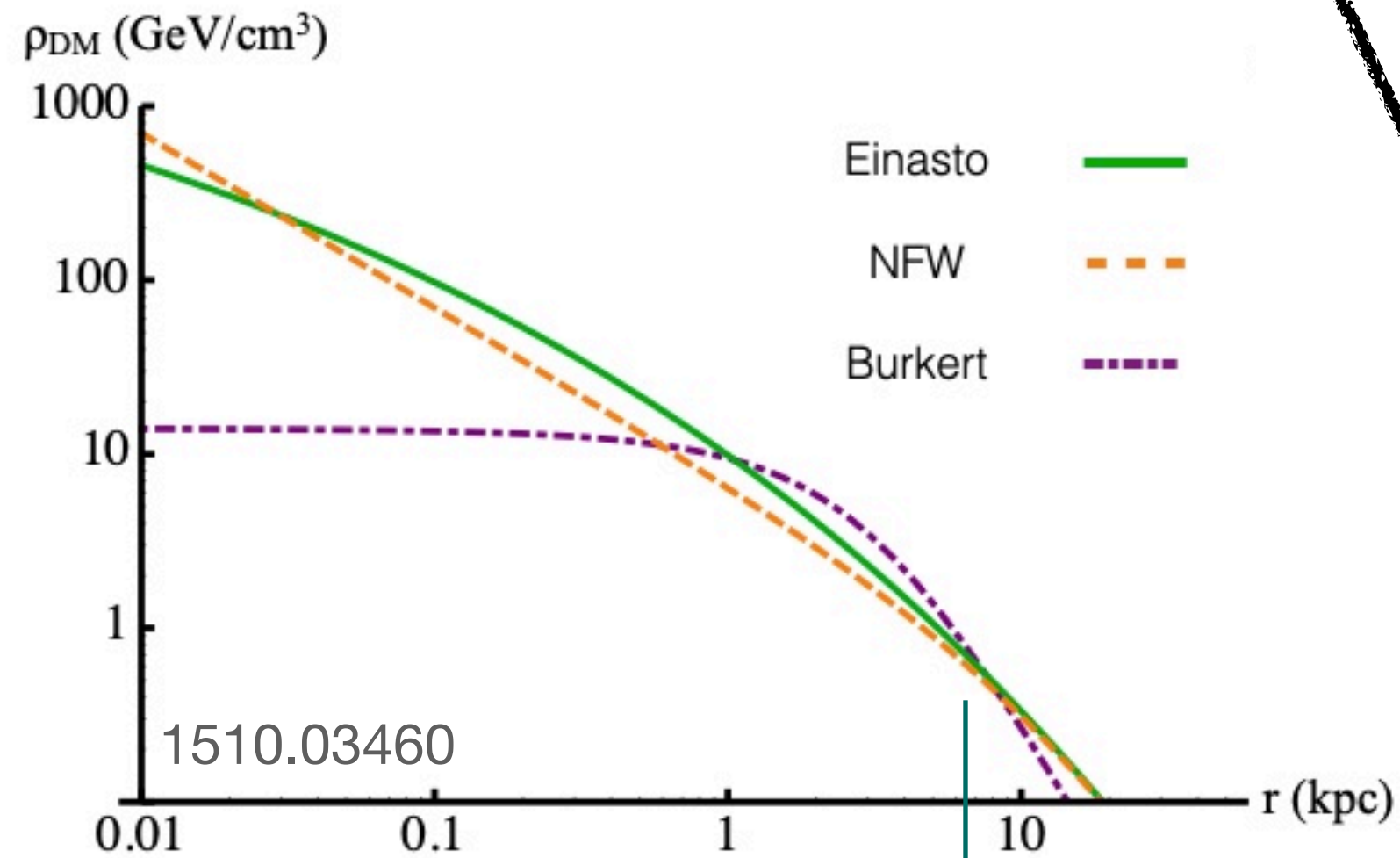
Main Sequence  $\sim 0.002 c$



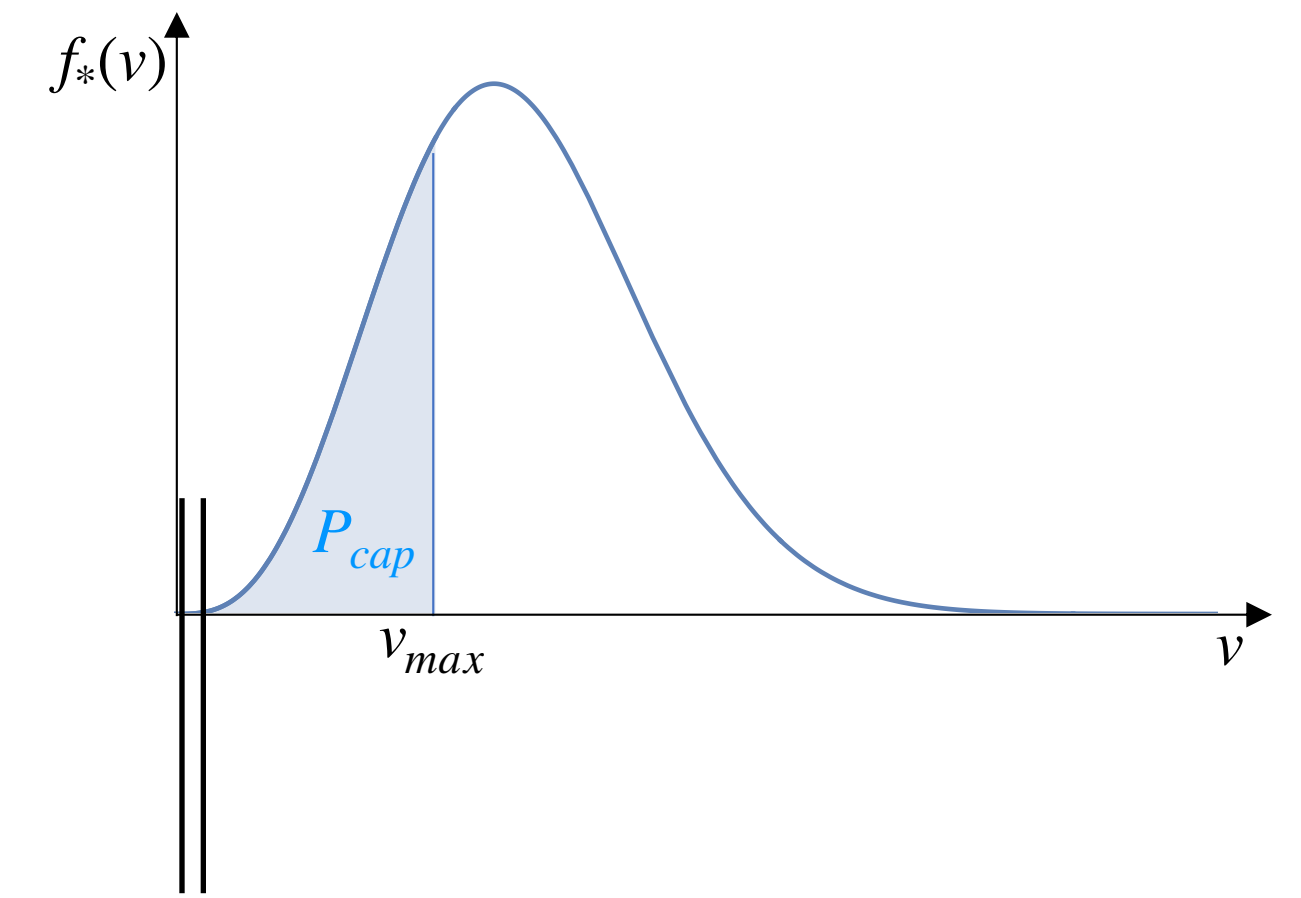
White Dwarf  $\sim 0.05 c$



Neutron Star  $\sim 0.7 c$



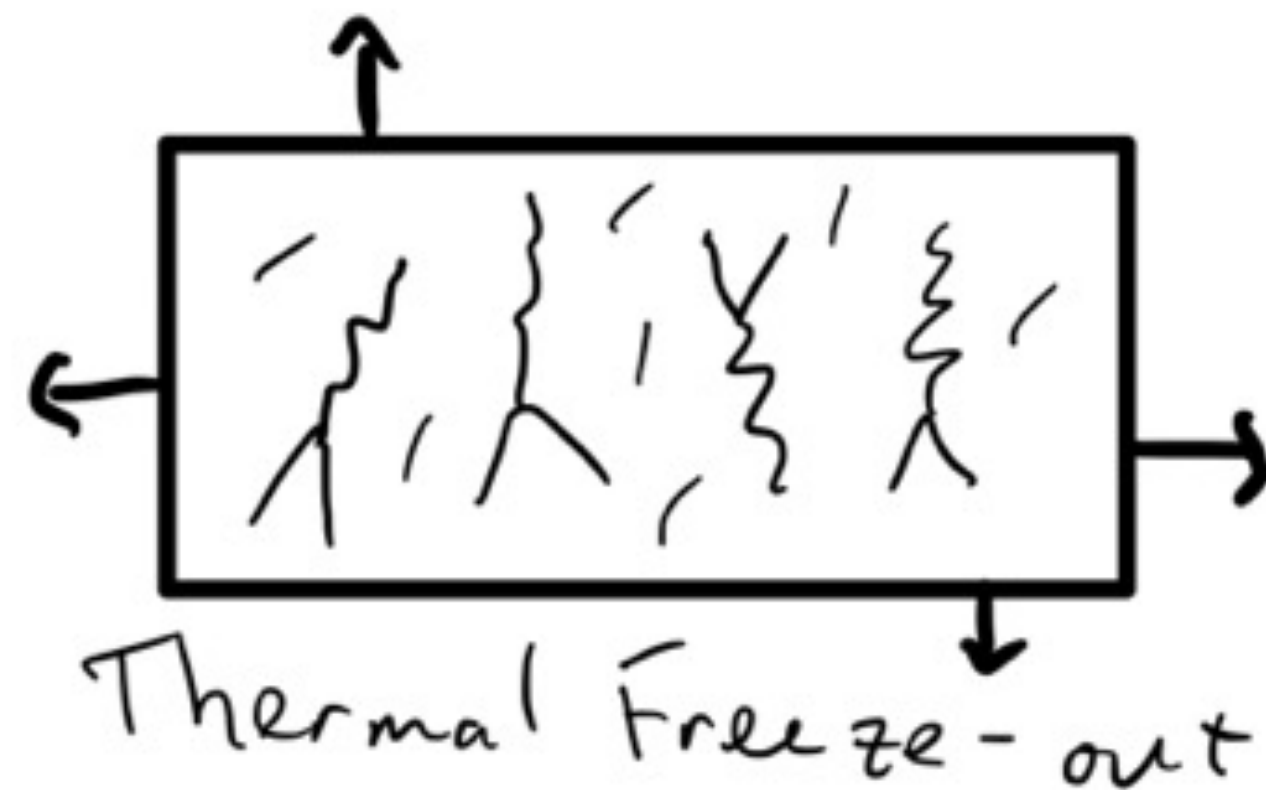
0.3 GeV/cm<sup>3</sup> by Earth



minimum DM speed  $> 11 \text{ km/s}$



# The WIMP Miracle

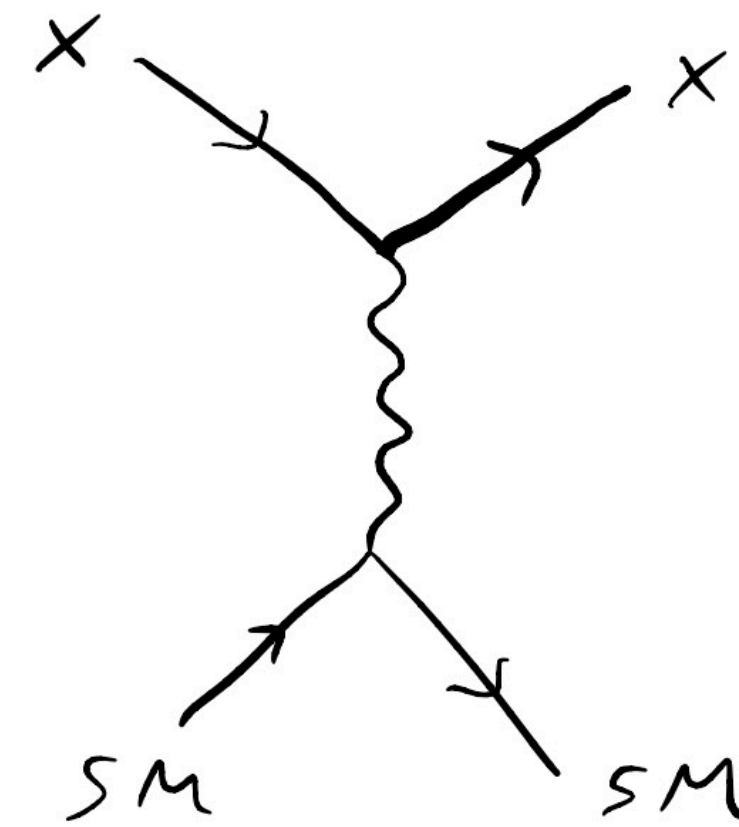
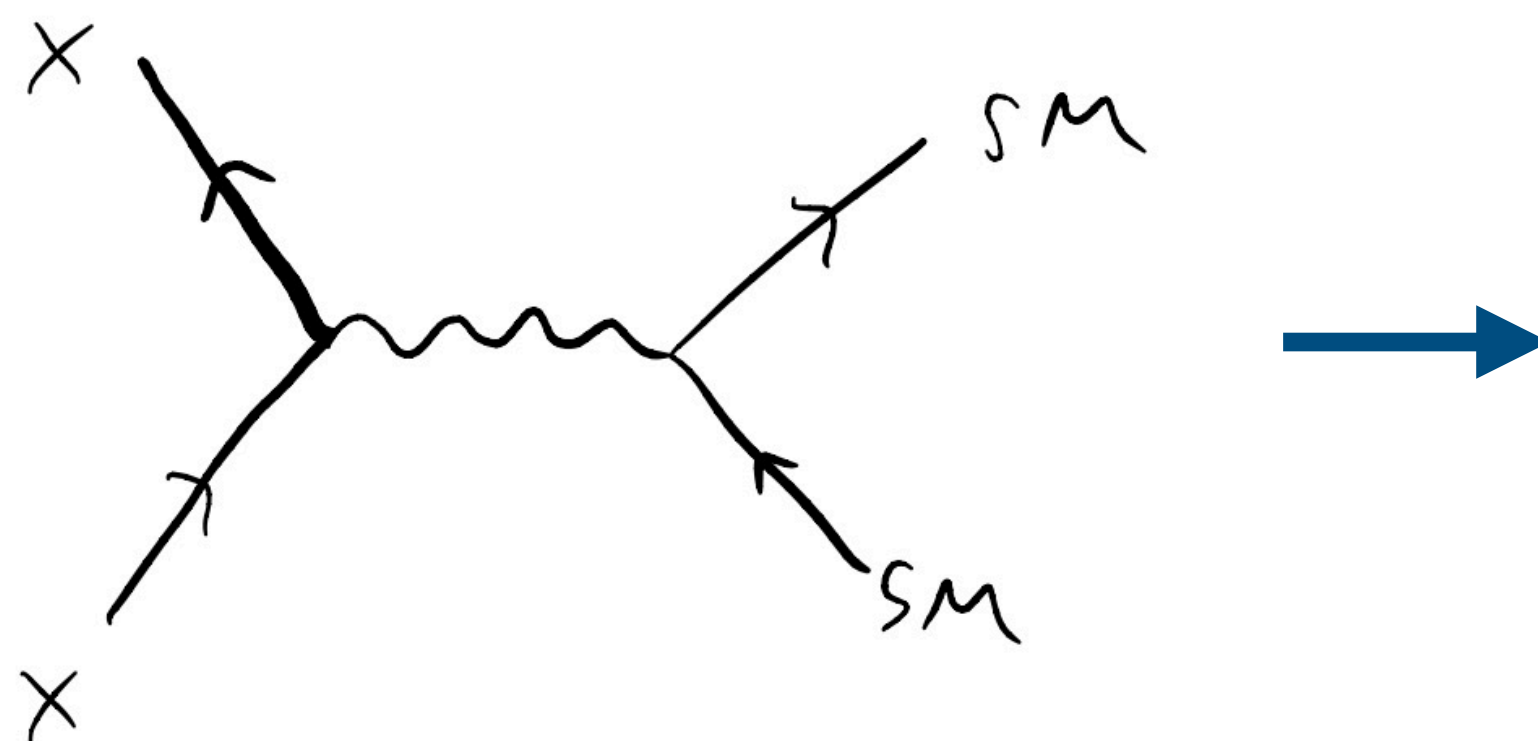


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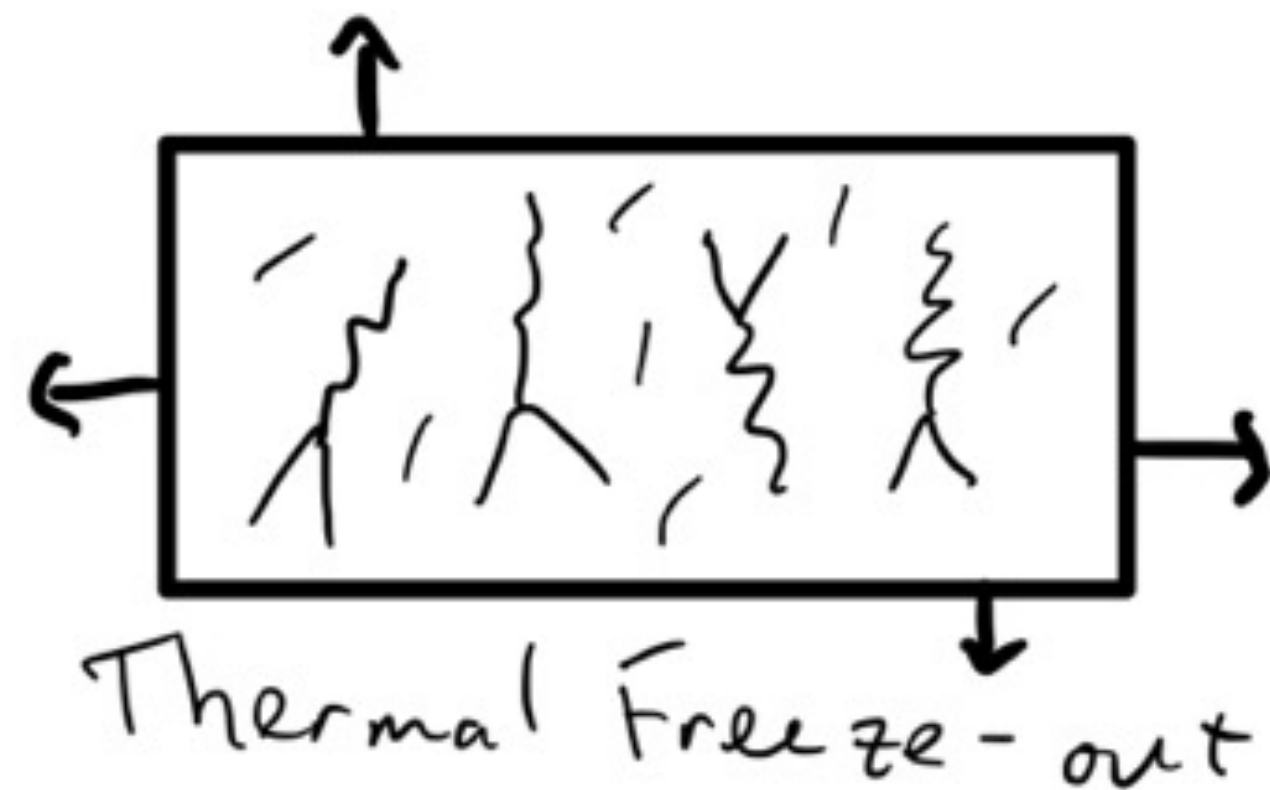
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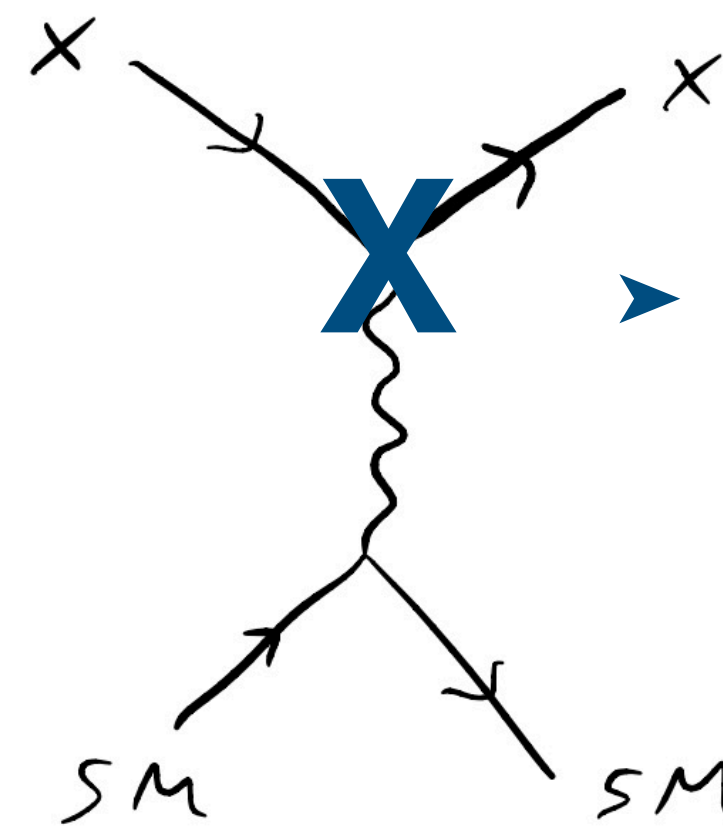
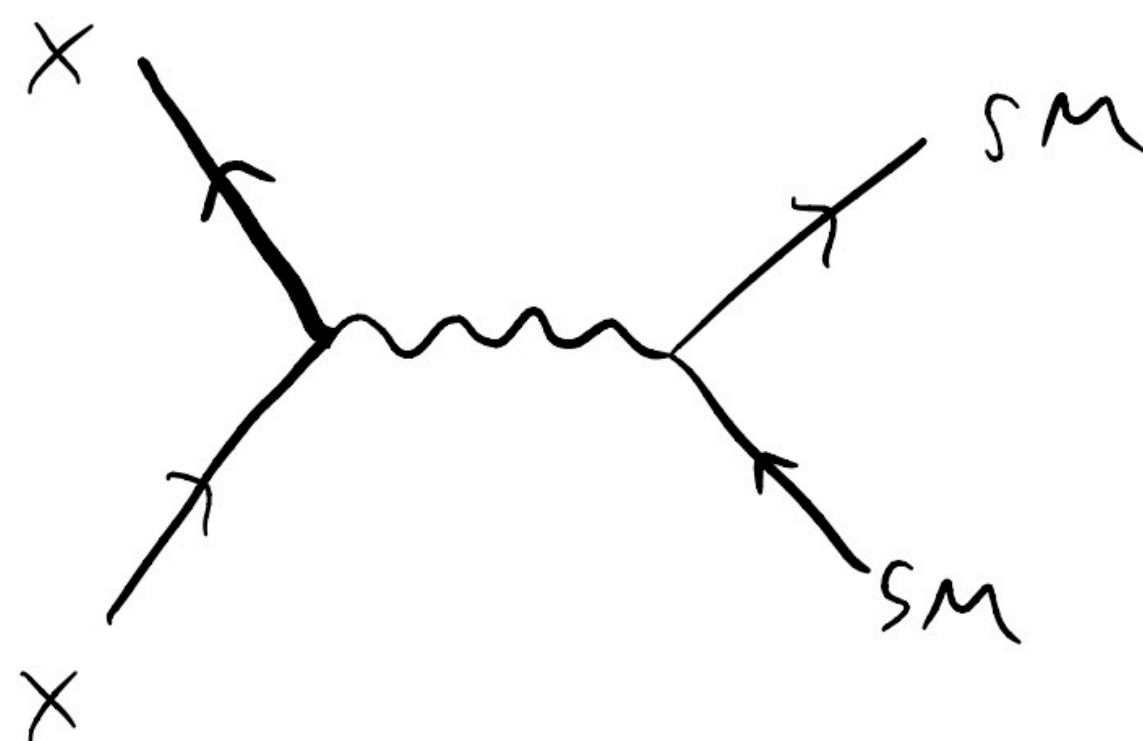


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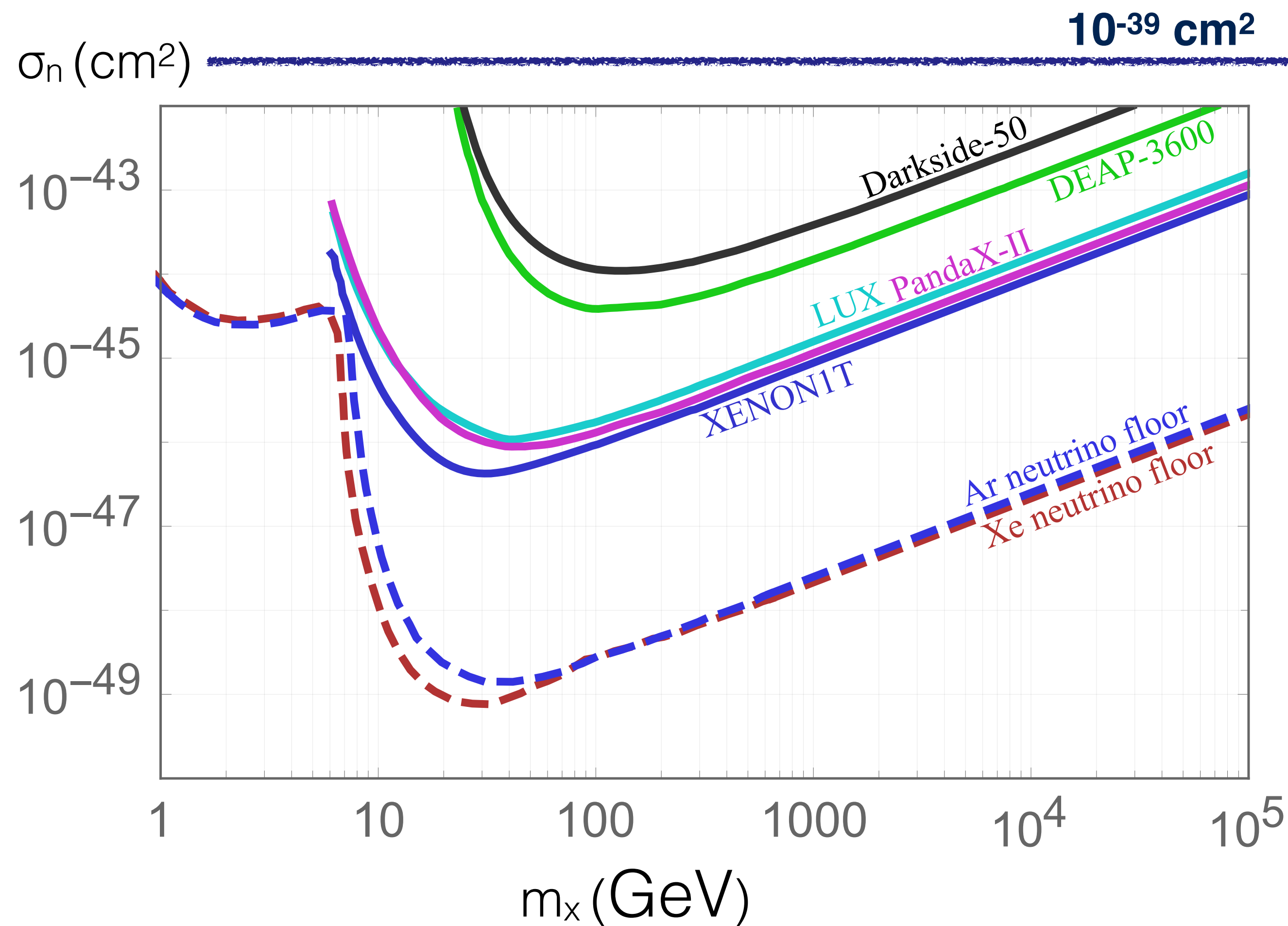
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► Caveat: symmetry arguments require symmetry, and (for example) electroweak symmetry is broken

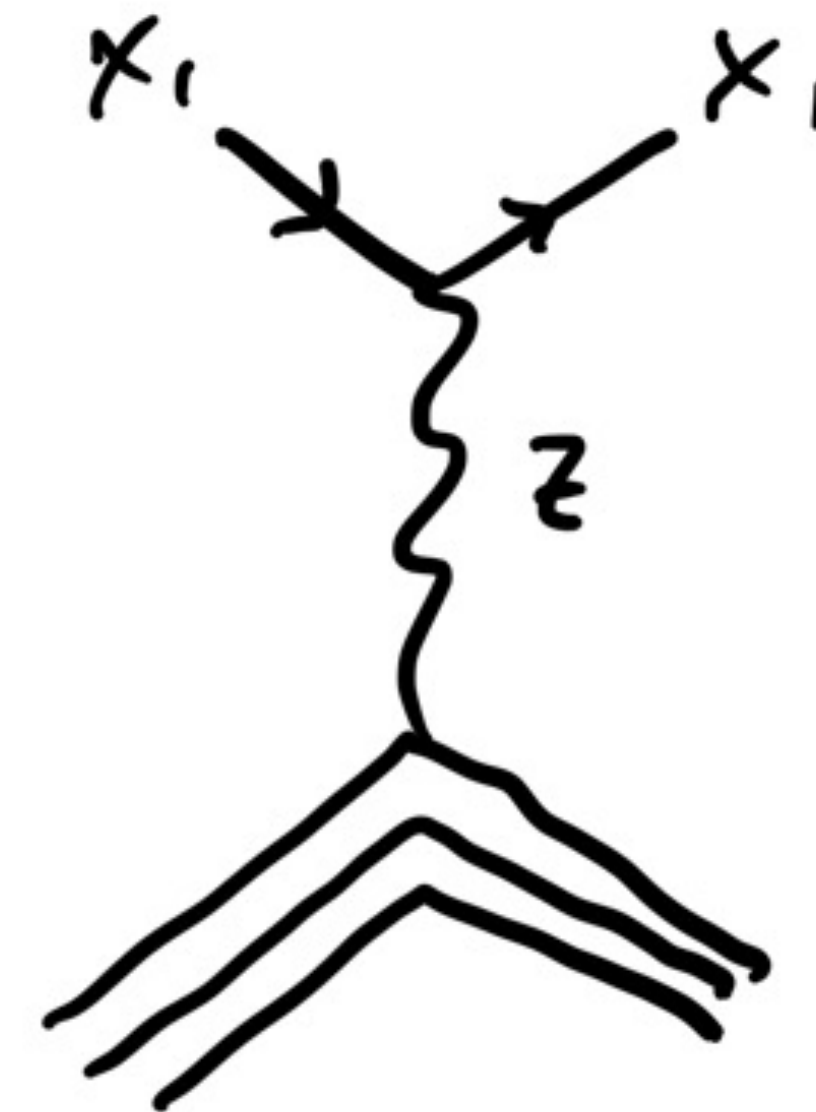
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# Spin independent dark matter detection

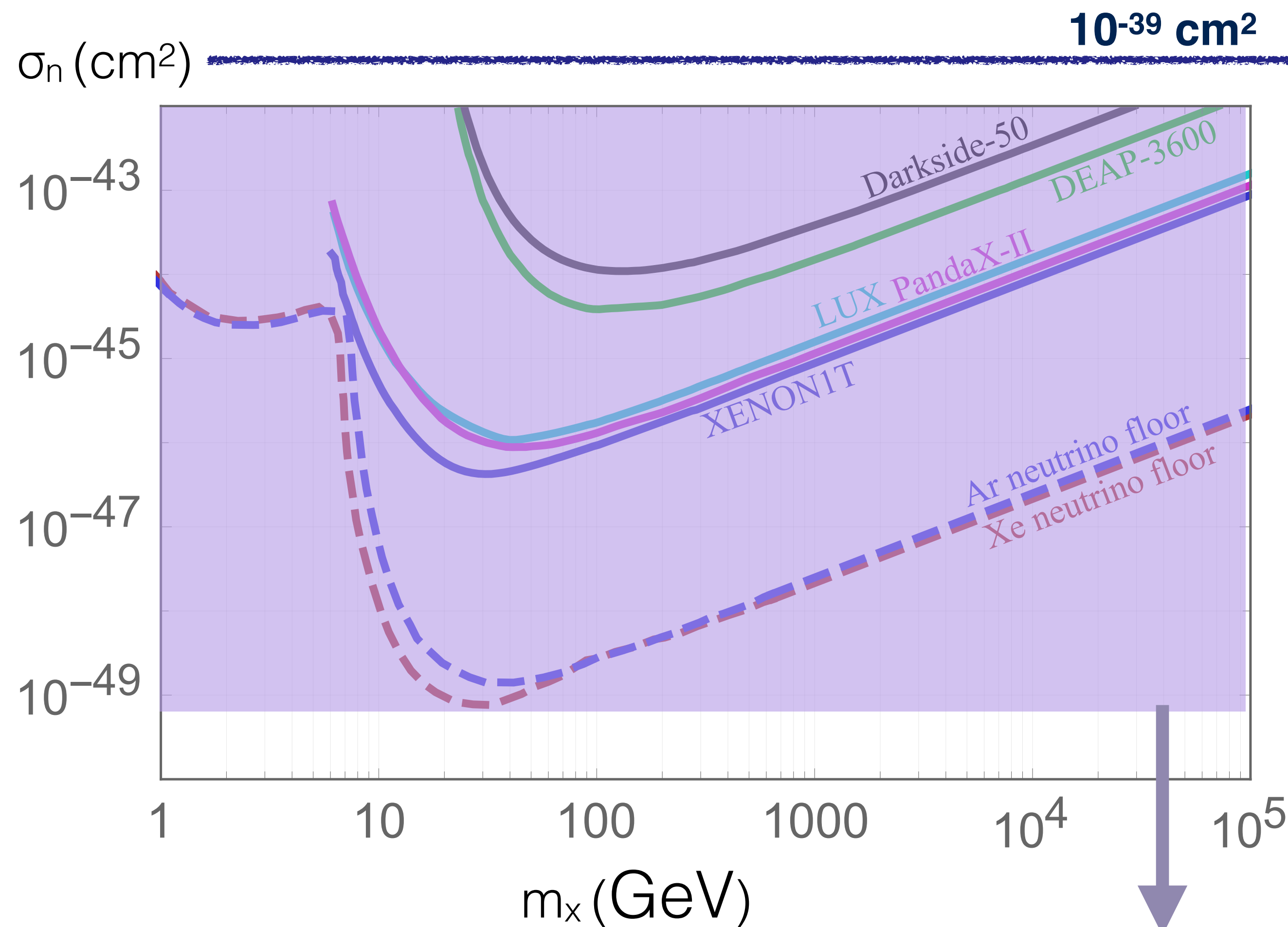


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Dirac fermion coupled through Z boson

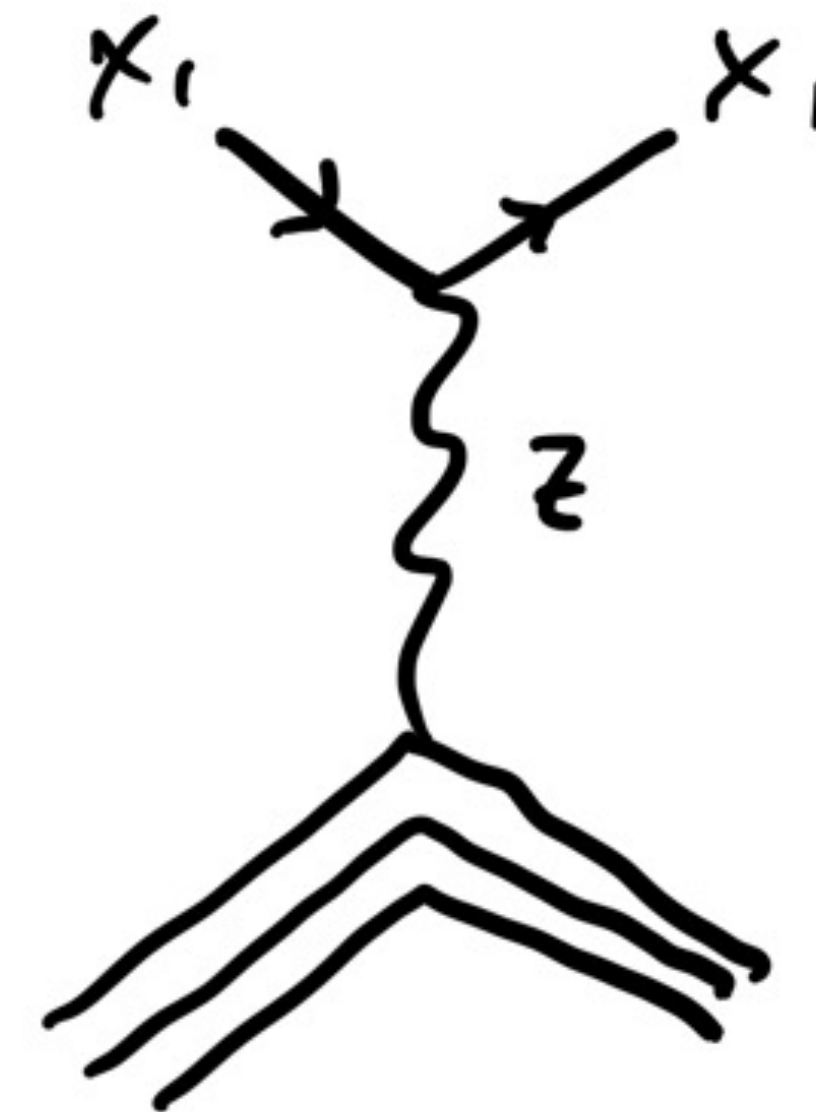


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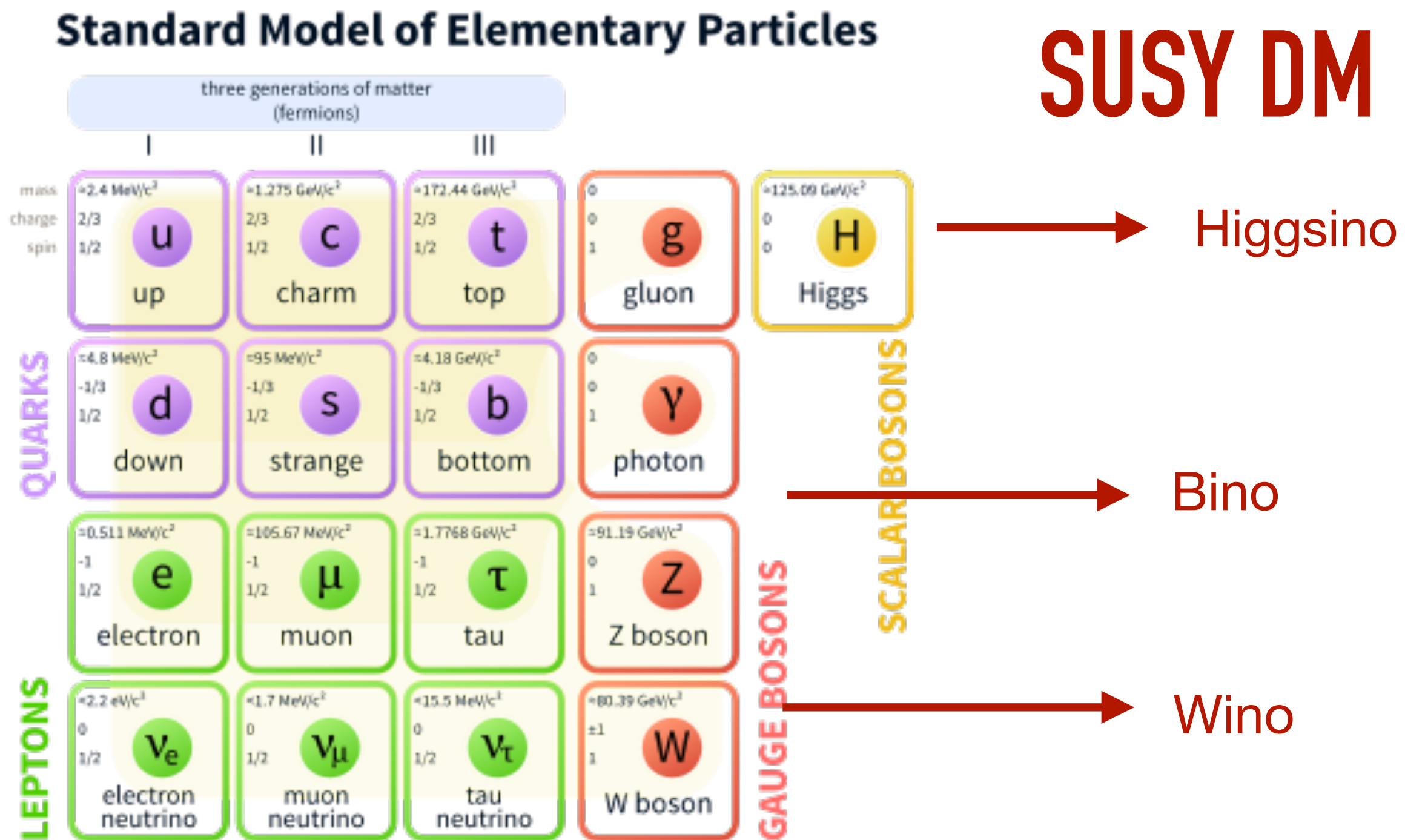
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Plenty of WIMP(ish) models waiting to be found!

# The Higgsino: Broken Symmetry for Dirac WIMP



## EW Symmetry Breaking

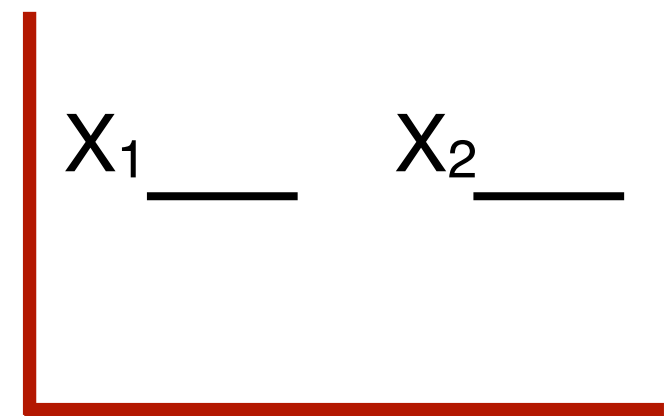
$$\begin{matrix} \text{bino} \\ \text{wino} \\ H_1 \\ H_2 \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & & & \\ & M_2 & & \\ & & \blacksquare & \\ & & & -\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

neutral components mix

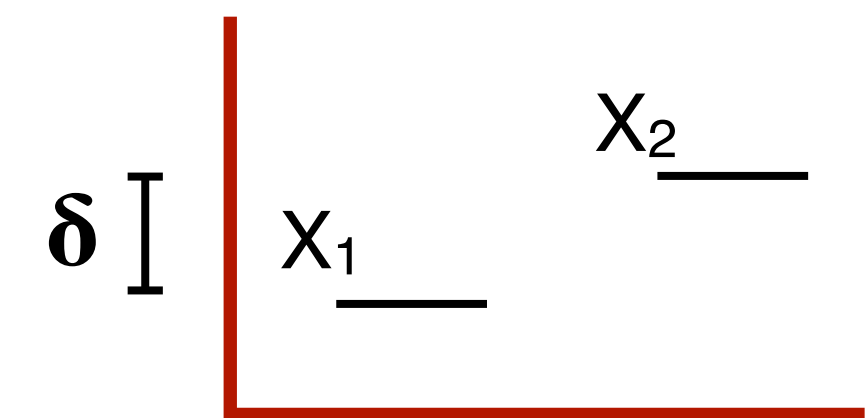
$\blacksquare =$  electroweak symmetry breaking (Z, W)

$M_1, M_2, \blacksquare$ , result in mass splitting  $\delta$

Higgsino neutral states



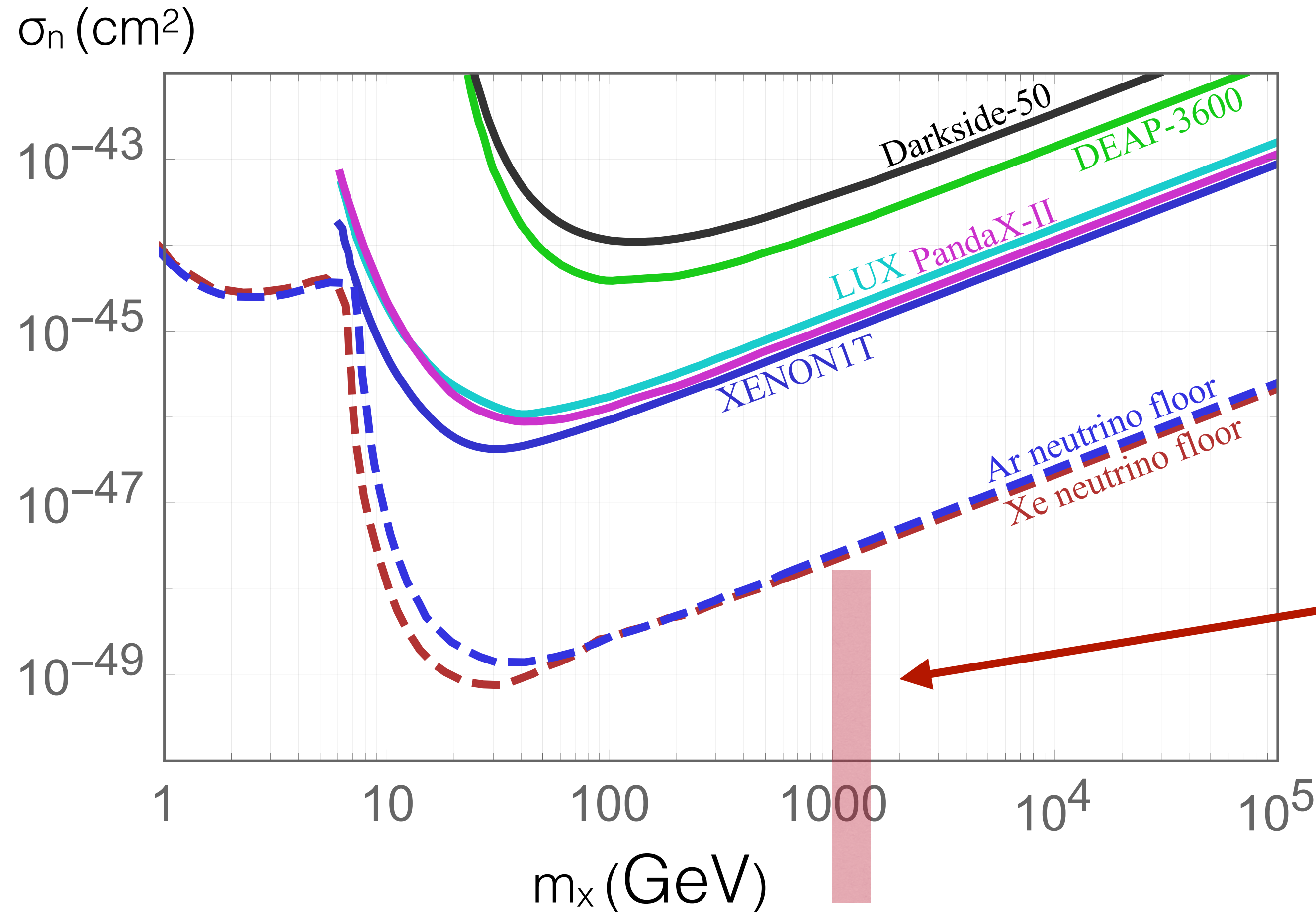
split after EWSB



e.g.

$$\delta \sim \text{GeV} \left( \frac{\text{TeV}}{M_1} \right)$$

# Underground dark matter detection, Higgsinos



**Higgsino Dark Matter**

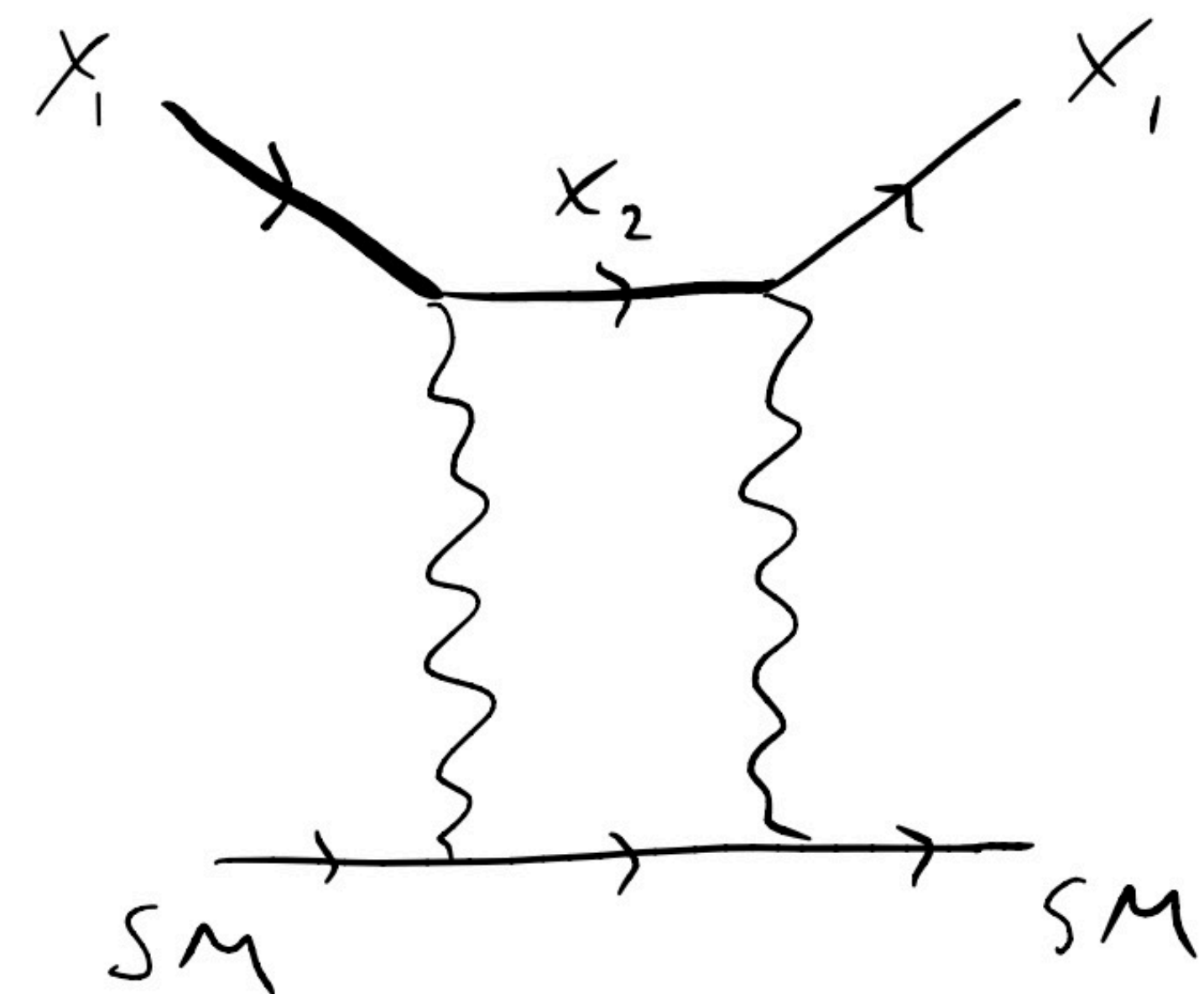
Hisano et. al. 2013  
Hill and Solon 2013

$10^{-39} \text{ cm}^2$

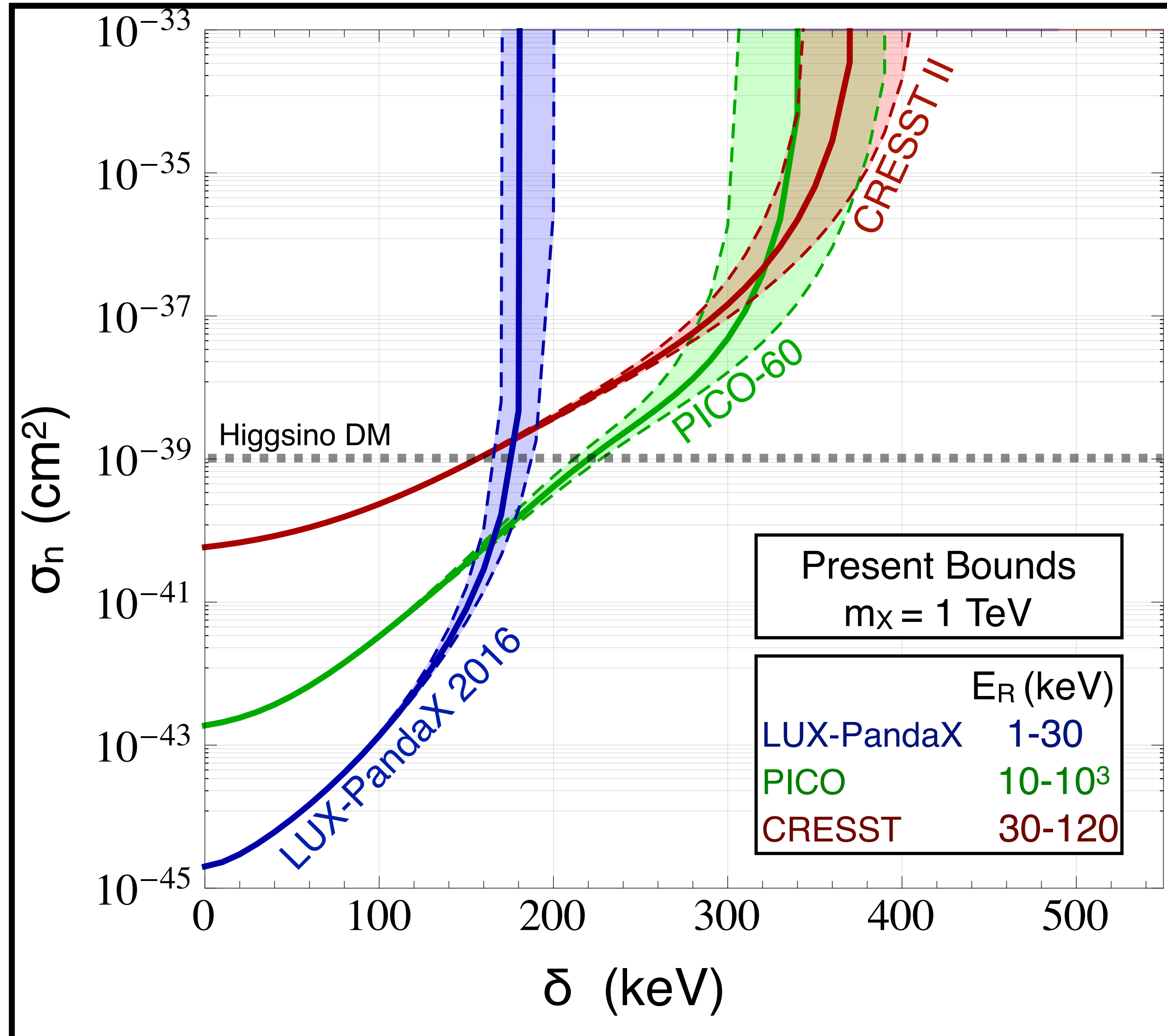


Interaction forbidden at  $v \sim 0.001c$  by  $X_1 \leftrightarrow X_2$  mass gap  $\rightarrow \delta \sim \text{GeV} \left( \frac{\text{TeV}}{M_1} \right)$

Loop suppressed scattering



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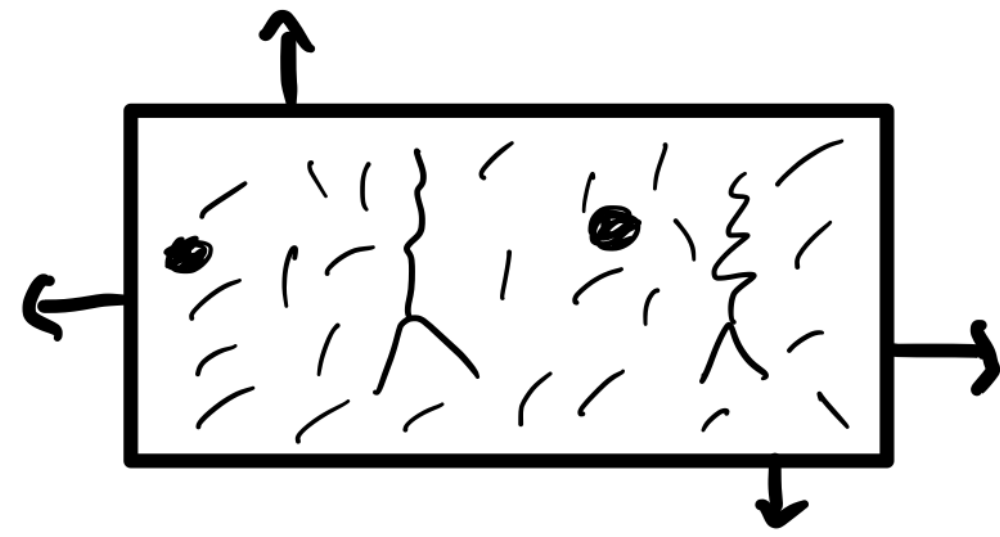
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- Motivates High Recoil Inelastic Searches
- Also neutron stars

JB Fox Kribs Martin 1608.02662



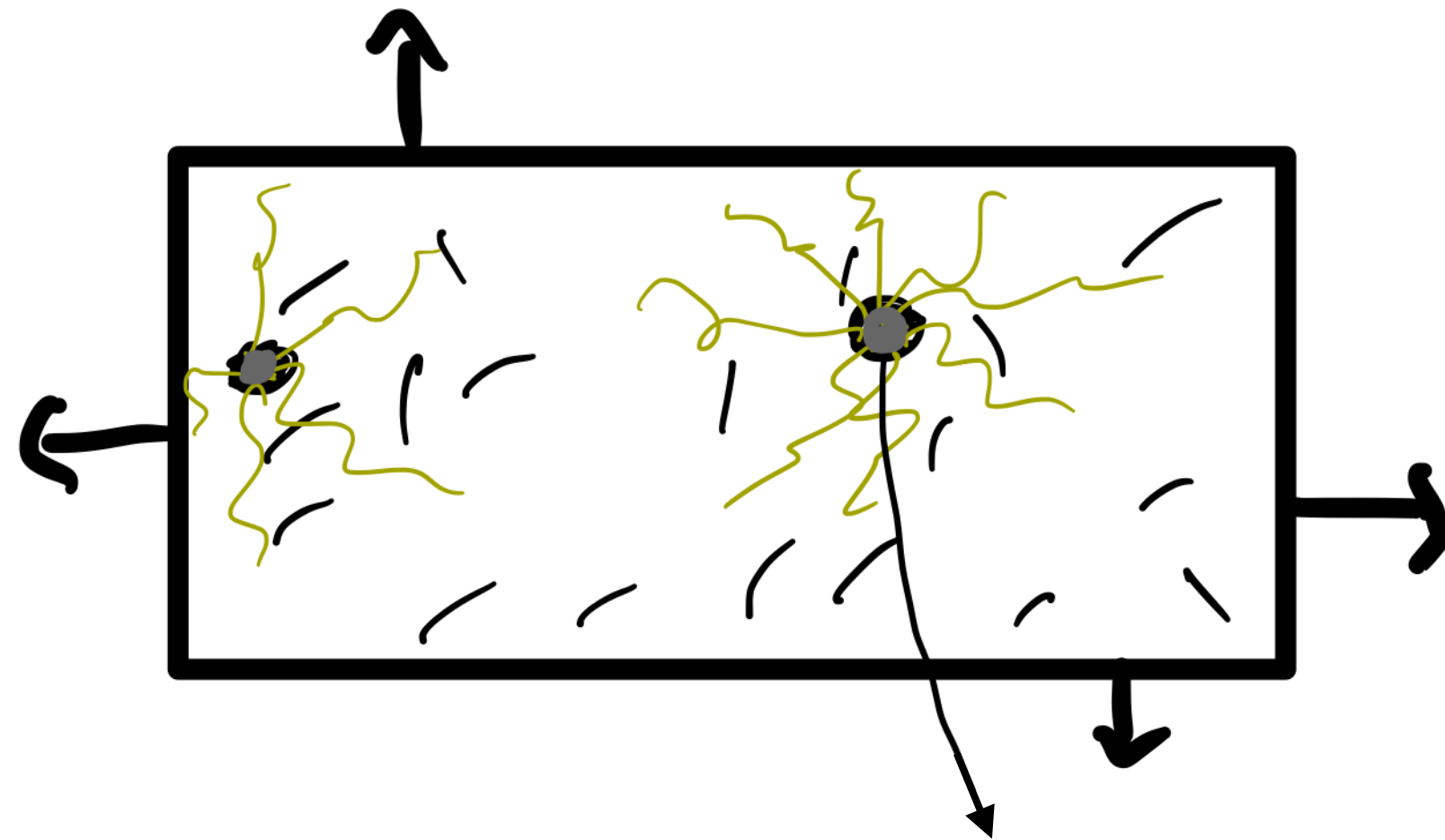
# Diluted WIMP Dark Matter: heavier



Overabundant freeze-out

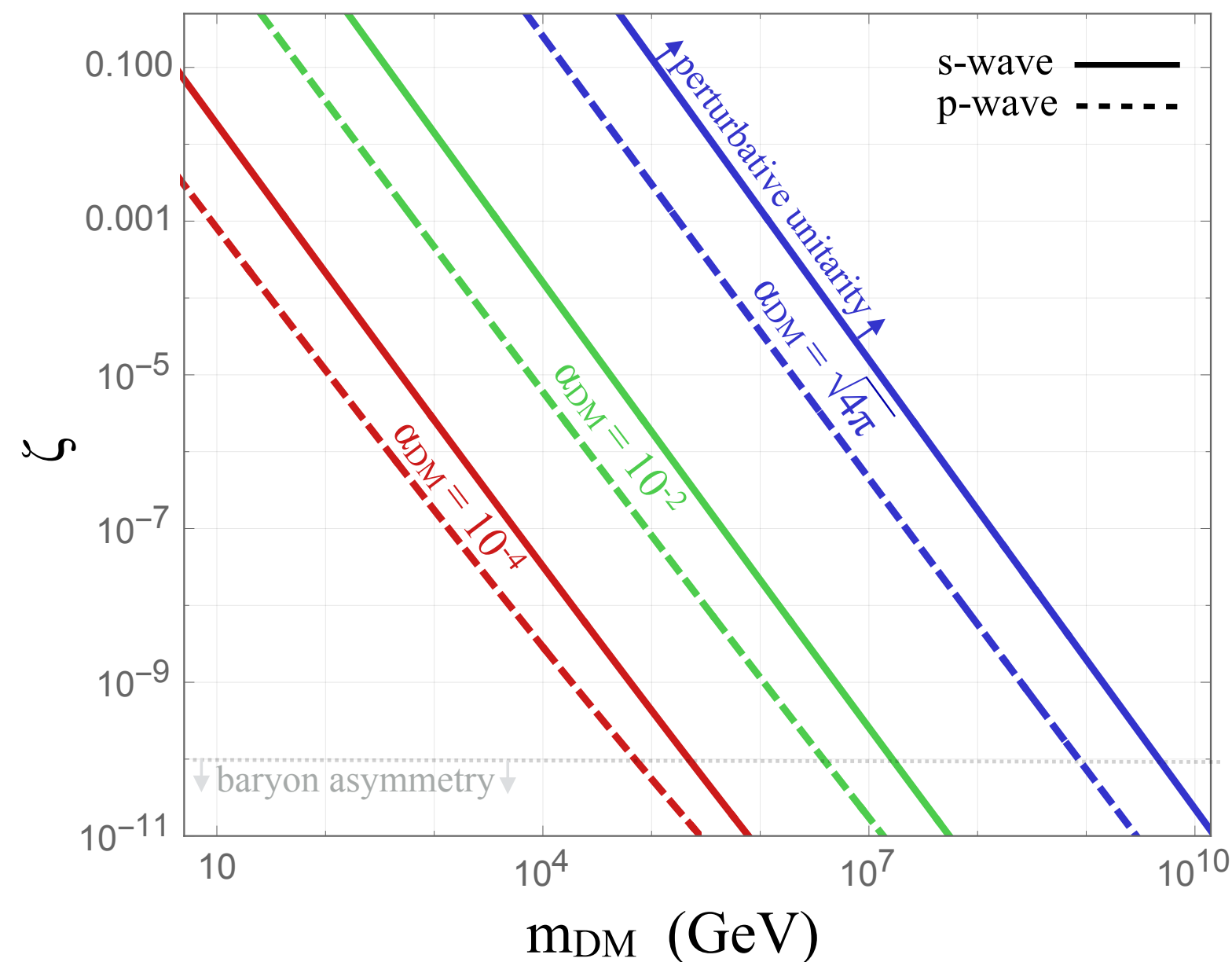
Then dilution from decay  $\rightarrow$

$$\Omega_x h^2 \sim 0.1 \left( \frac{m_V}{\text{PeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{0.03}{\alpha_D} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\zeta}{10^{-8}} \right)$$



Motivation

- Matter dominated epoch
- Decay of asymmetry field (Affleck-Dine)
- Decay of inflaton
- Decay of modulus / gravitino
- Field associated with  $\sim$ PeV dark sector



$$\zeta \equiv \frac{S_{ini}}{S_{fin}} = n_X \text{ dilution}$$

JB Unwin 1701.05859

see also e.g.

Allahverdi Dutta Sinha '11

Kane Shao Watson '11

Davoudiasl Hooper McDermott '15

Berlin Hooper Krnjaic '16

# HIGH MASS ASYMMETRY, DILUTION, AND COMPOSITE DM

Consider a simple model of fermionic DM coupled by a scalar field

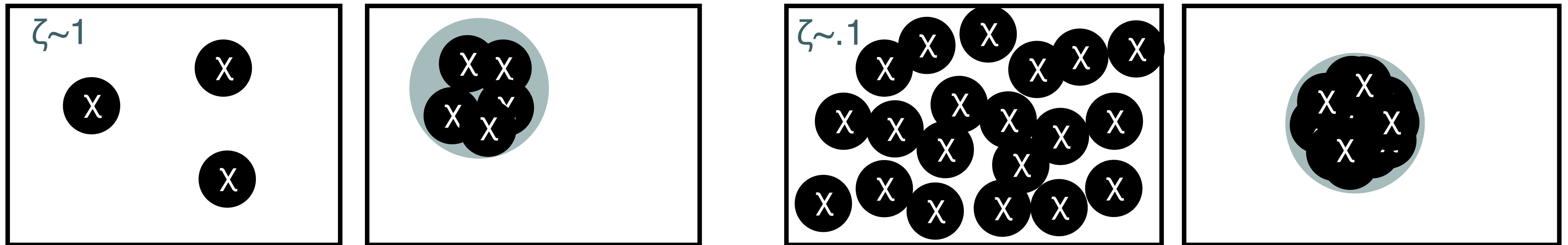
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 + \bar{X}(i\gamma^\mu\partial_\mu - m_X)X + g_X\bar{X}\phi X - \frac{1}{2}m_\phi^2\phi^2 + g_n\bar{n}\phi n + \mathcal{L}_{SM},$$

see also e.g.  
 Wise Zhang '14  
 Krnjaic Sigurdson '14  
 Hardy Lasenby March-Russell '14  
 Gresham Lou Zurek '17

Diluted dark matter has a freeze-out abundance that scales with  $\zeta^{-1}$

This overabundance of dark matter leads to very large  $\phi - X$  composites

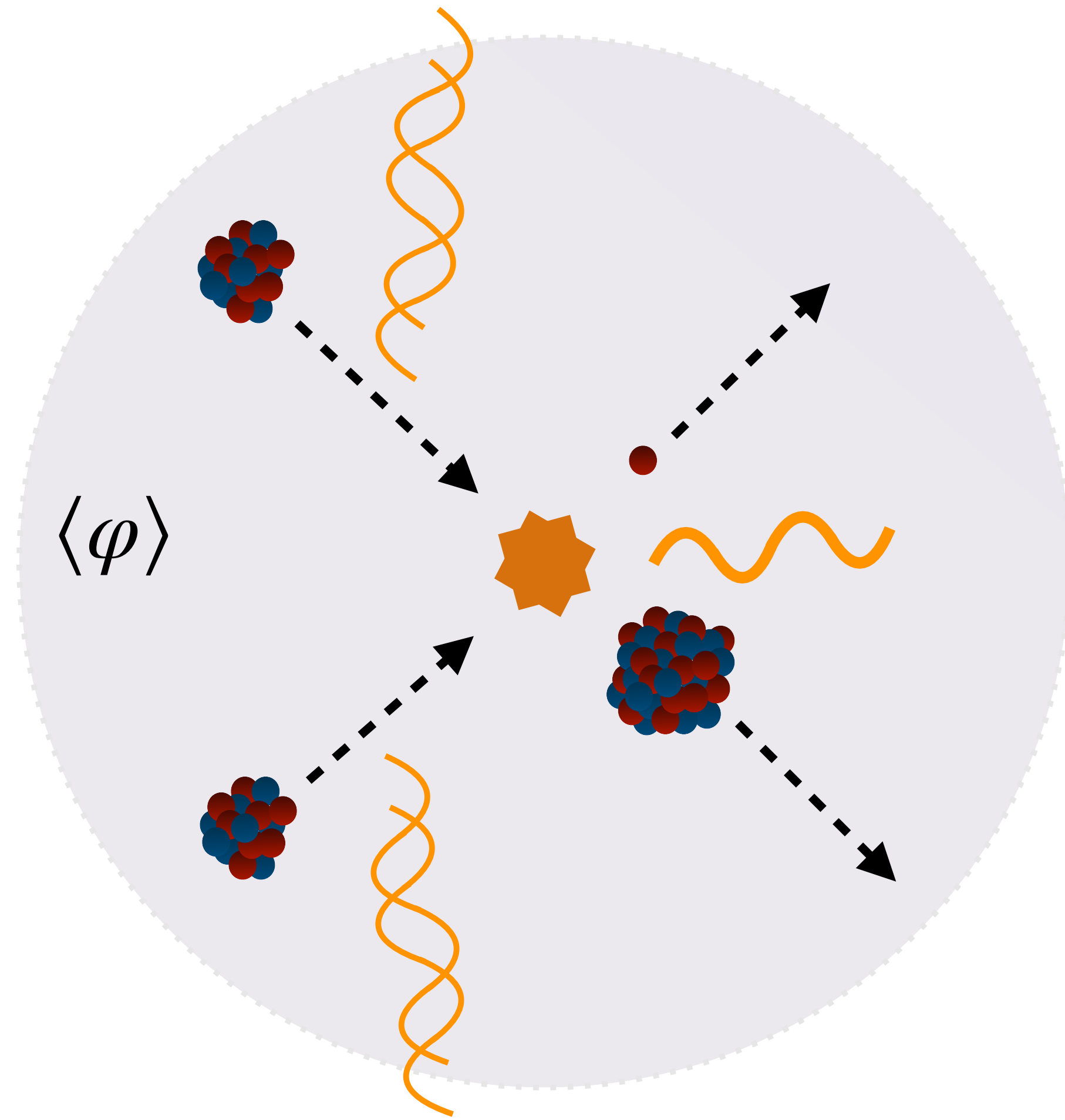
Acevedo JB Goodman 2012.10998



$$N_c = \left( \frac{2n_X\sigma_X v_X}{3H} \right)^{6/5} = \left( \frac{20\sqrt{g_{ca}^*} T_r T_{ca}^{3/2} M_{pl}}{\bar{m}_X^{7/2} \zeta} \right)^{6/5} \simeq 10^{27} \left( \frac{g_{ca}^*}{10^2} \right)^{3/5} \left( \frac{T_{ca}}{10^5 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{9/5} \left( \frac{5 \text{ GeV}}{\bar{m}_X} \right)^{21/5} \left( \frac{10^{-6}}{\zeta} \right)^{6/5}$$

Composite mass ranging from milligrams to thousands of tons

# NEW SIGNATURES OF BIG COMPOSITE DARK MATTER



For a tiny nucleon- $X$  coupling, can have ionization, nuclear fusion, bremsstrahlung from large dark matter composites.

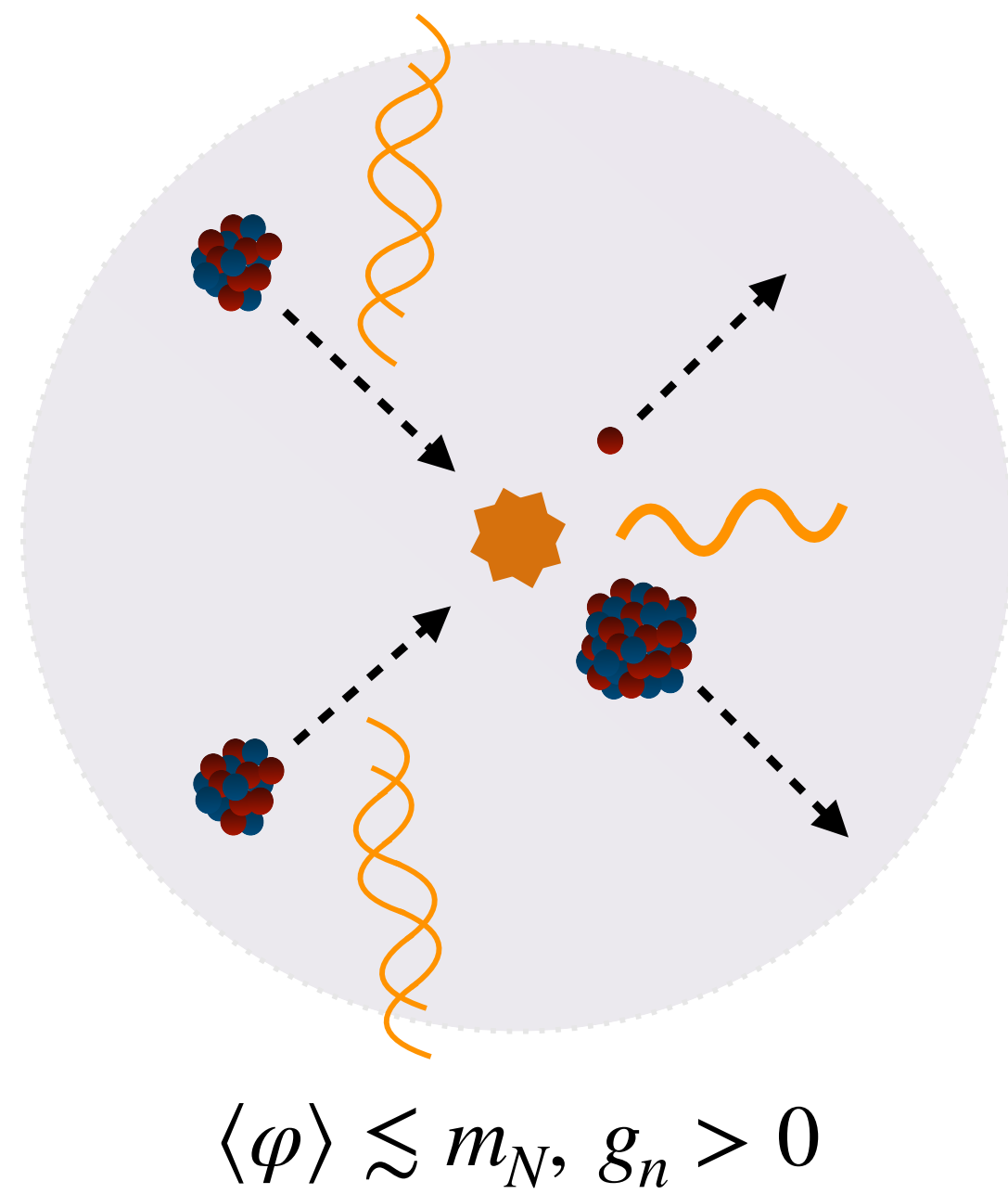
$$\mathcal{L} \supset g_X \bar{X} \varphi X + g_n \bar{n} \varphi n + \mathcal{L}_{SM}$$

# INTERACTION SUMMARY

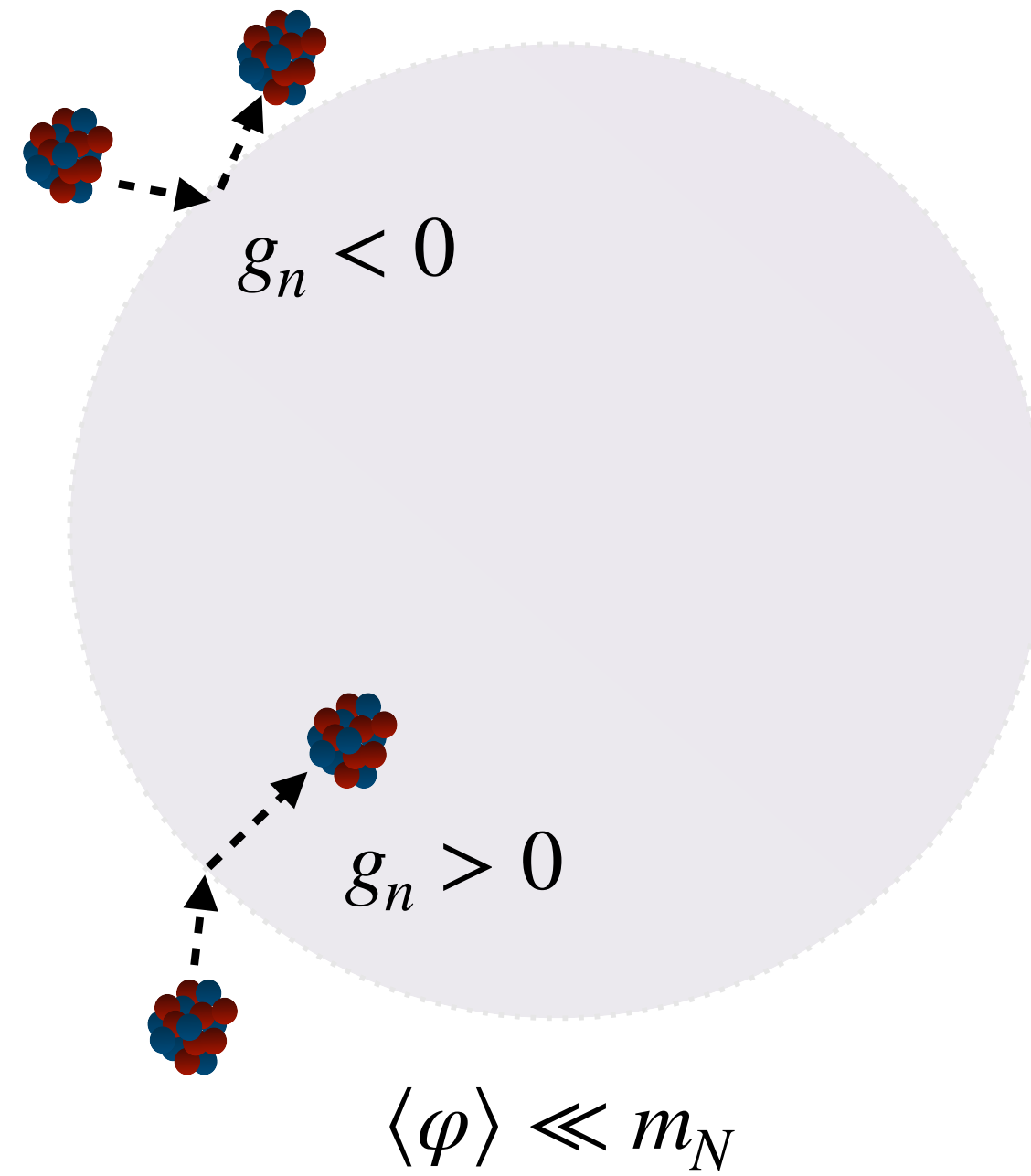
nuclear interactions with DM composite internal potential

scattering with constituents

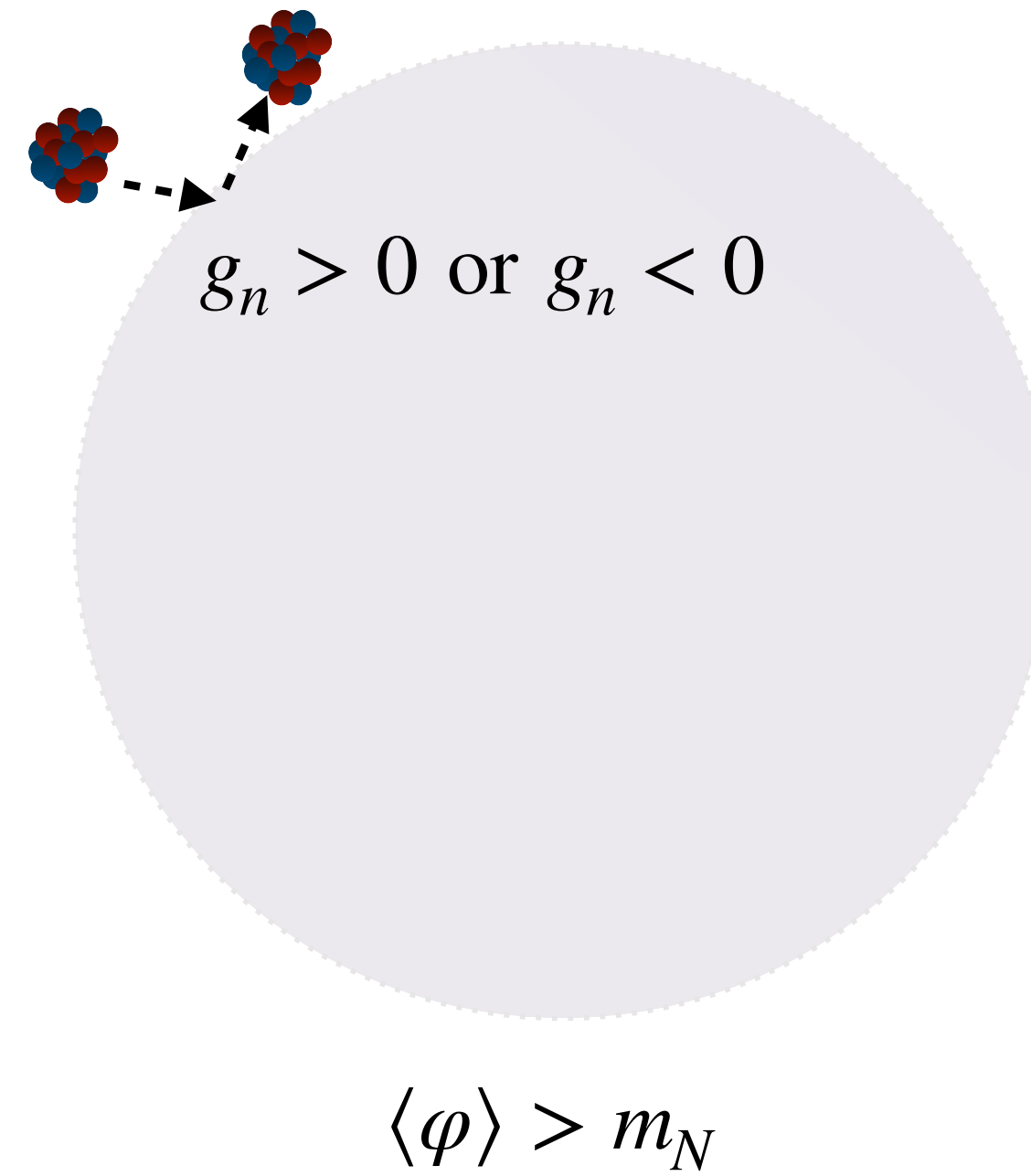
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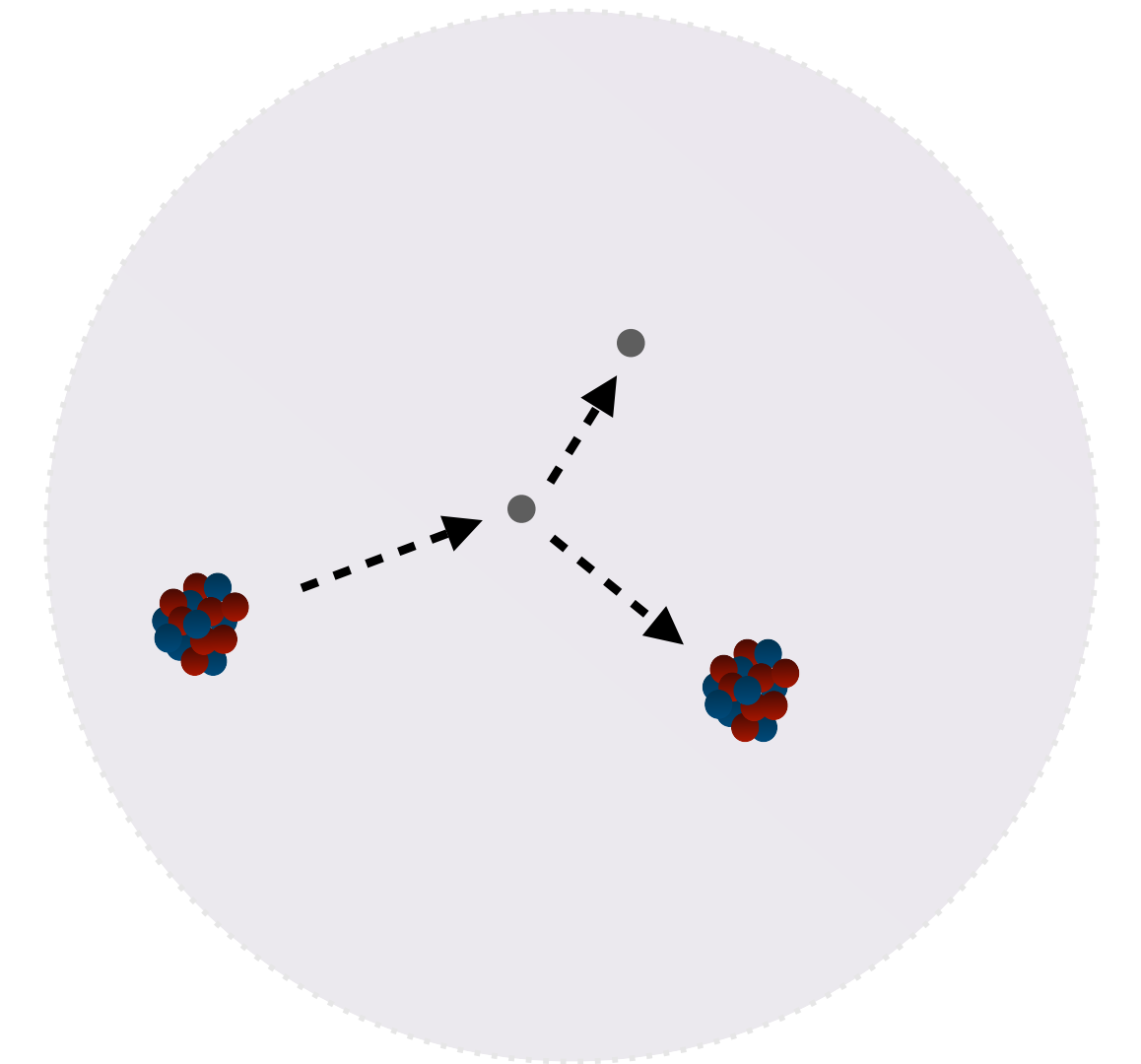
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(suppressed for parameters we will consider)

# Nuclear coupling

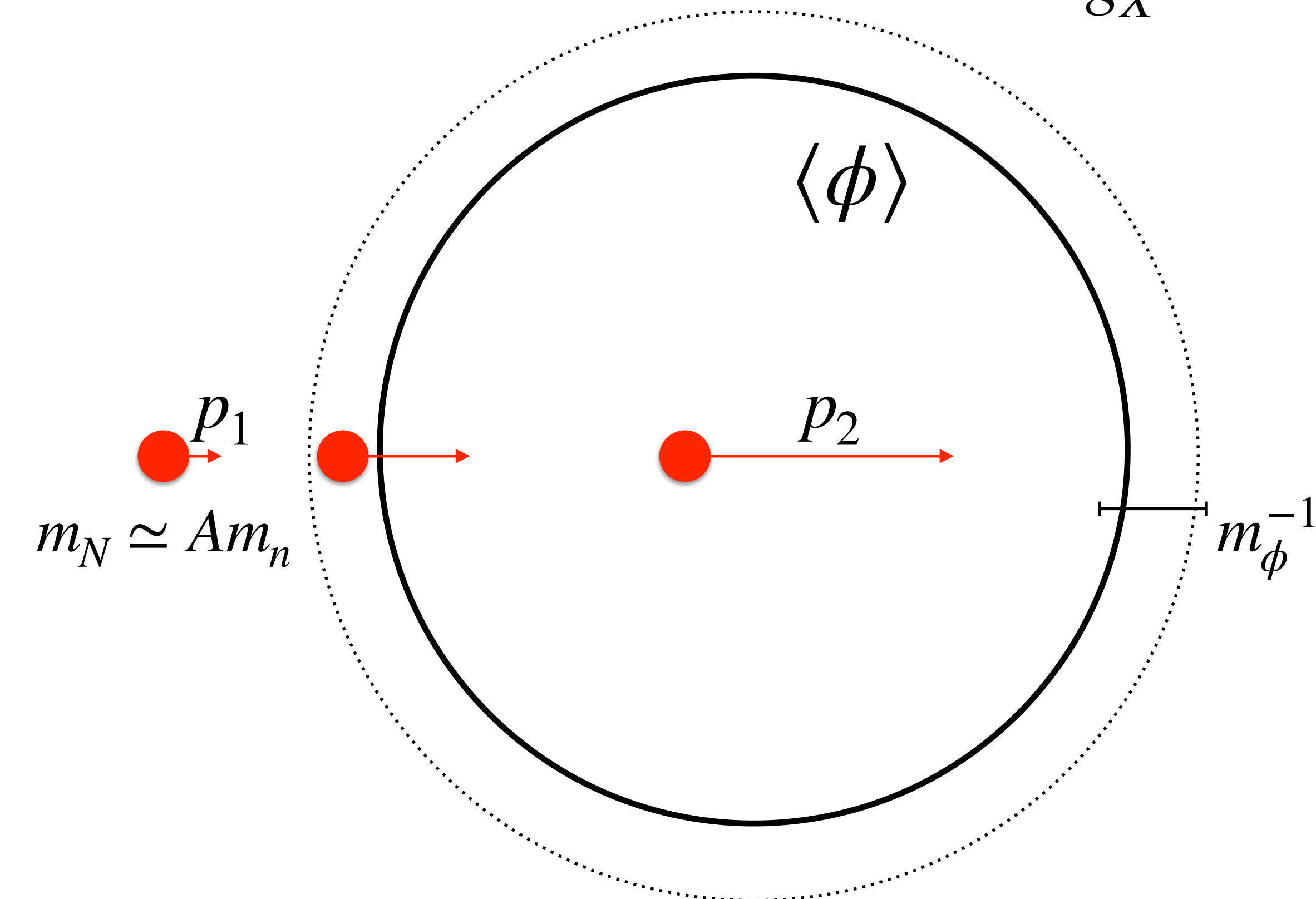
Consider an interaction term with SM nucleons  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + g_n \bar{n} \phi n$

for large N composite:  $\langle \phi \rangle \simeq \frac{m_X}{g_X}$

Nuclei will accelerate across the DM composite's boundary layer, because of the attractive potential, like gravity but stronger and shielded:

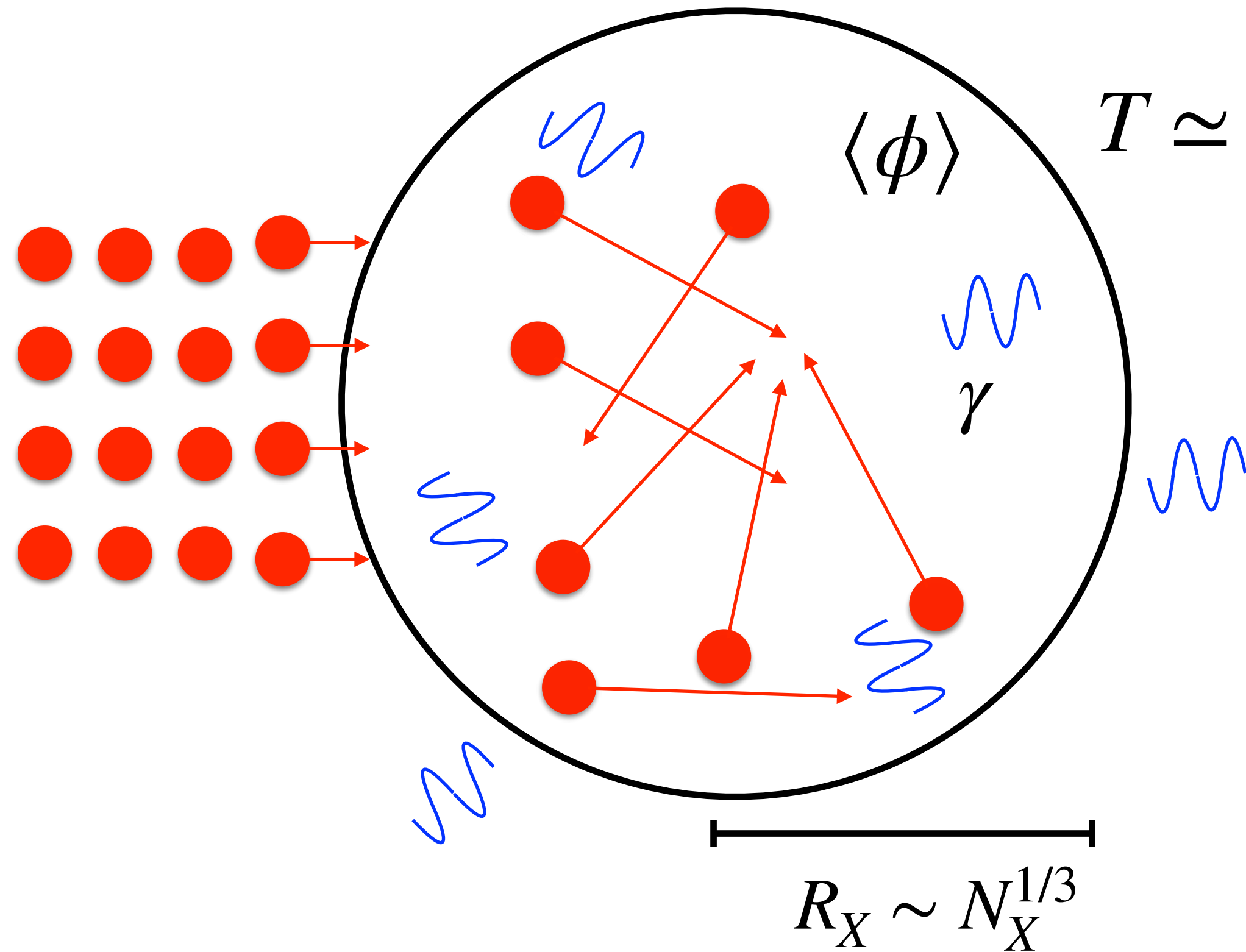
$$p_1^2 + m_N^2 = p_2^2 + (m_N - Ag_n \langle \phi \rangle)^2$$

$$Ag_n \langle \phi \rangle = \frac{Ag_n m_X}{g_X} = \frac{p_2^2 - p_1^2}{2m_N}$$



# Heated nuclei in composite interior

$\langle \phi \rangle \propto m_X \sim \text{TeV} - \text{EeV}$  acceleration is substantial even for  $g_n \ll 1$



Ionization (Migdal, collisions)




Thermal bremsstrahlung

Thermonuclear fusion



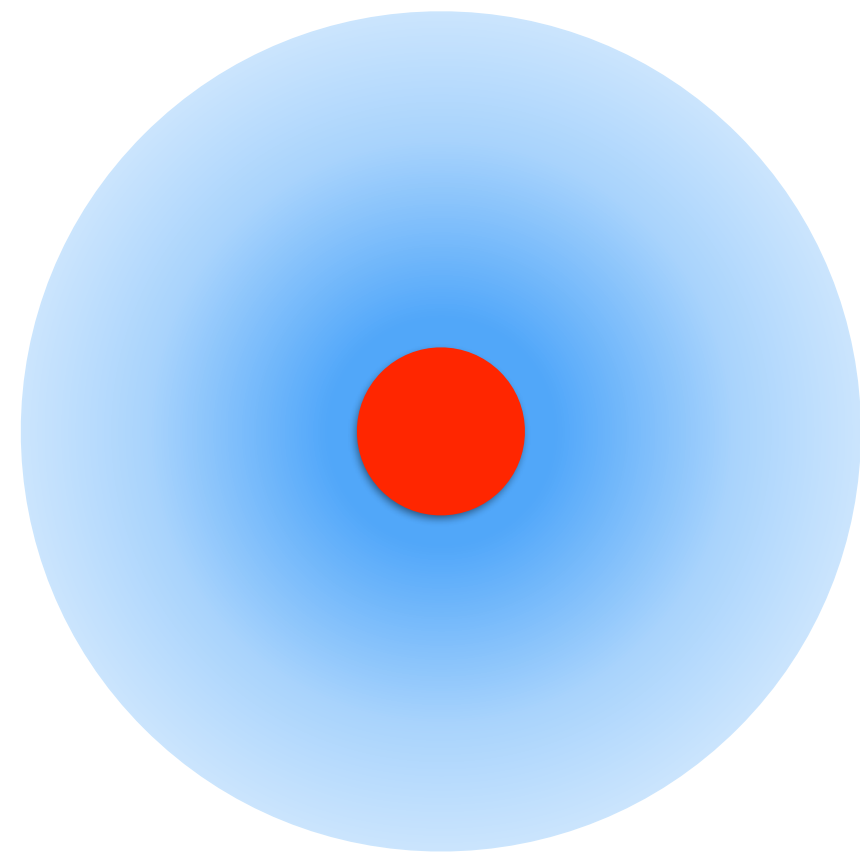
increasing temperature/energy

## Potential signatures of this effect?

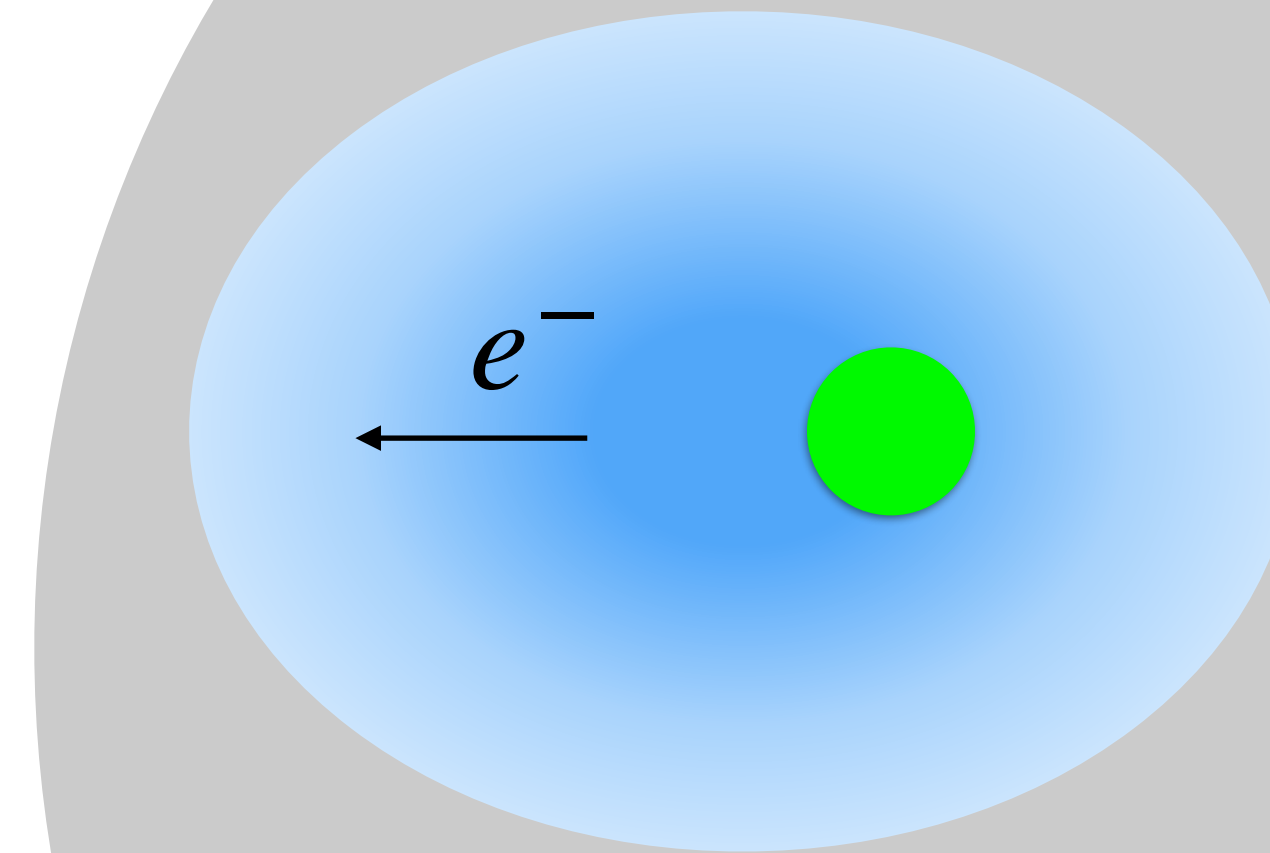
-  Ionizing dark matter
-  Neutrino detectors
-  Type Ia supernovae

# Migdal Effect at DD Experiments

$$\Delta t_{\text{interact}} \ll \tau_{e^-}, R_a/v_N \quad \text{Migdal approximation}$$



sudden nuclear recoil



$$|\psi\rangle \simeq e^{\left(-im_e \sum_j \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{x}}_j\right)} |\psi_0\rangle$$

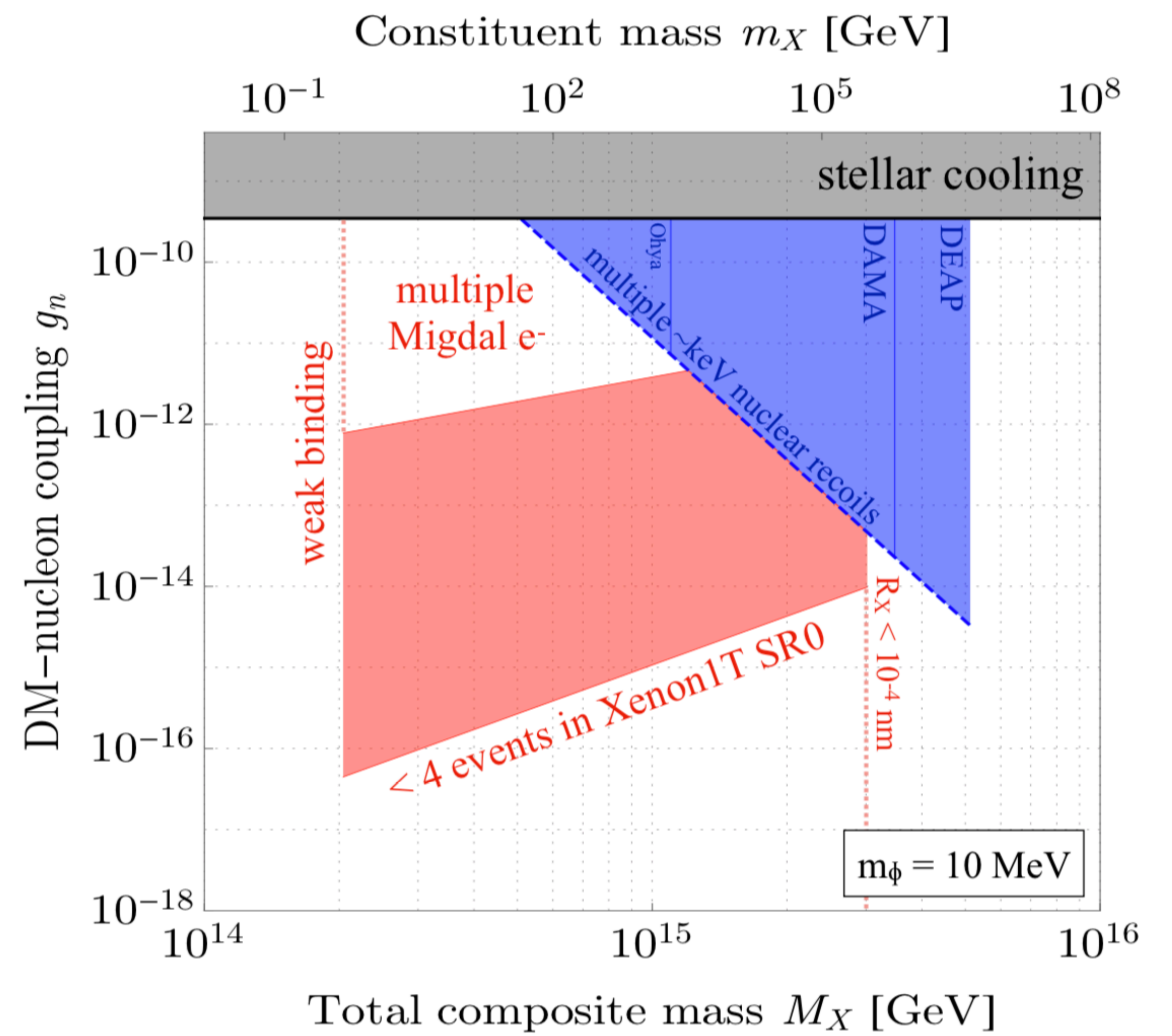
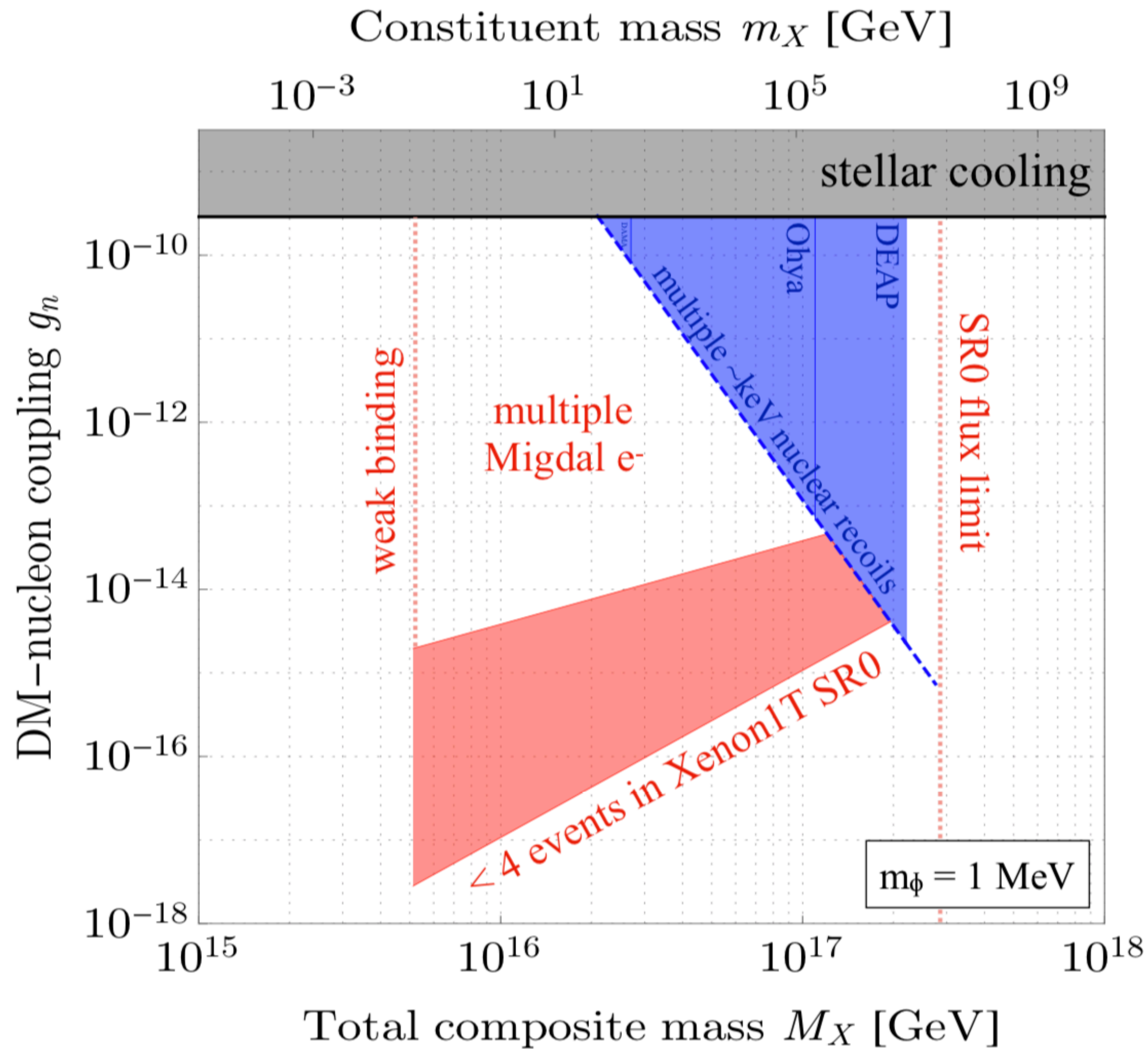
$$\left[ \tau_{e^-} \sim 10^{-17} \text{ s} \quad \text{electron orbital period} \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{R_a}{v_N} \sim 10^{-15} \text{ s} \left( \frac{g_n}{10^{-10}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{m_X}{\text{TeV}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad R_a \sim 10^{-8} \text{ cm} \right.$$

$$\Delta t_{\text{interact}} = \tau_{\text{accel}} \simeq \frac{1}{m_\phi v_X} \simeq 10^{-19} \text{ s} \left( \frac{m_\phi}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{-1} \ll \tau_{e^-}$$

# Migdal Bounds

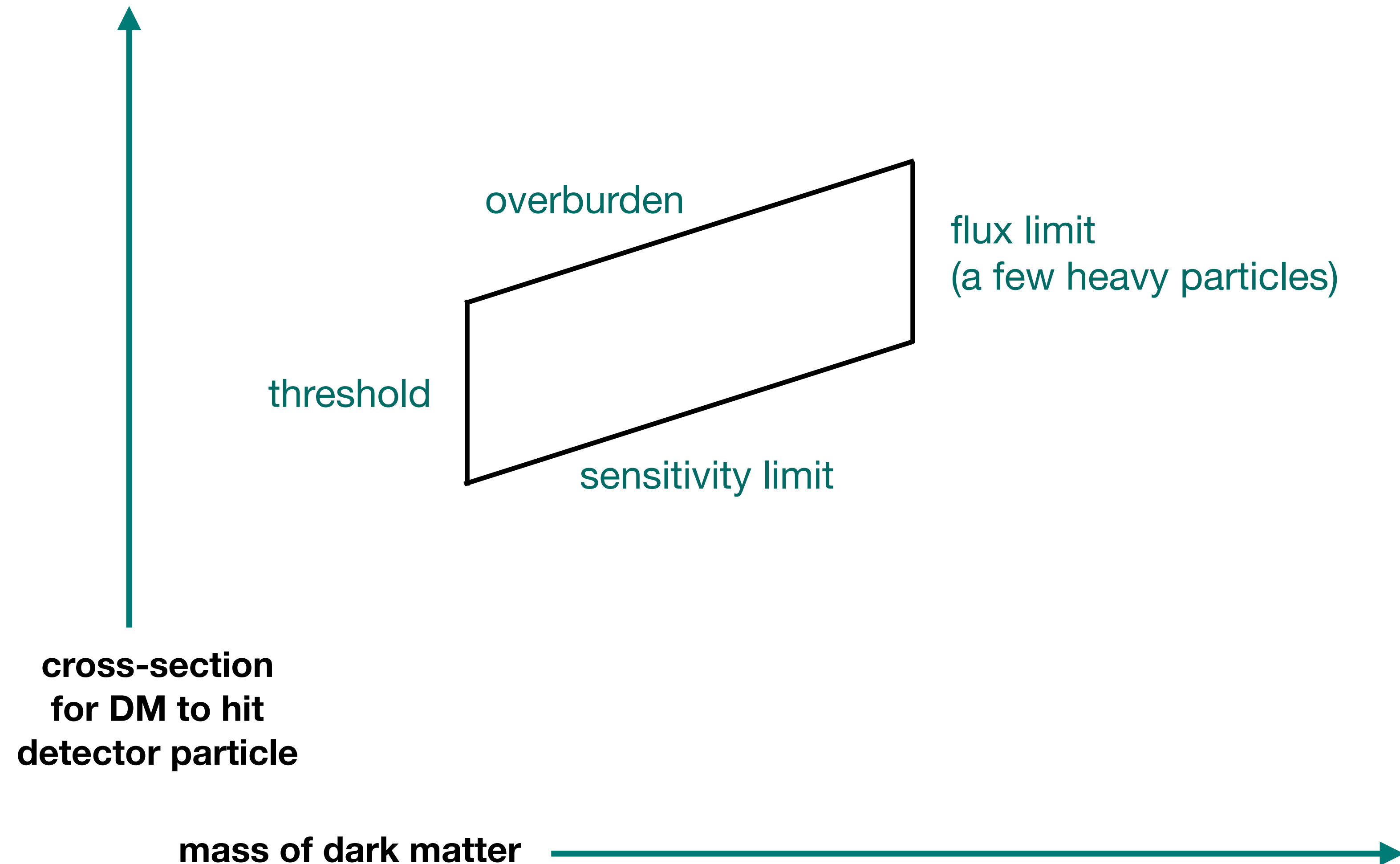
Composite masses/radii determined by  $m_X$ , cosmology with  $\alpha_X = 0.3$



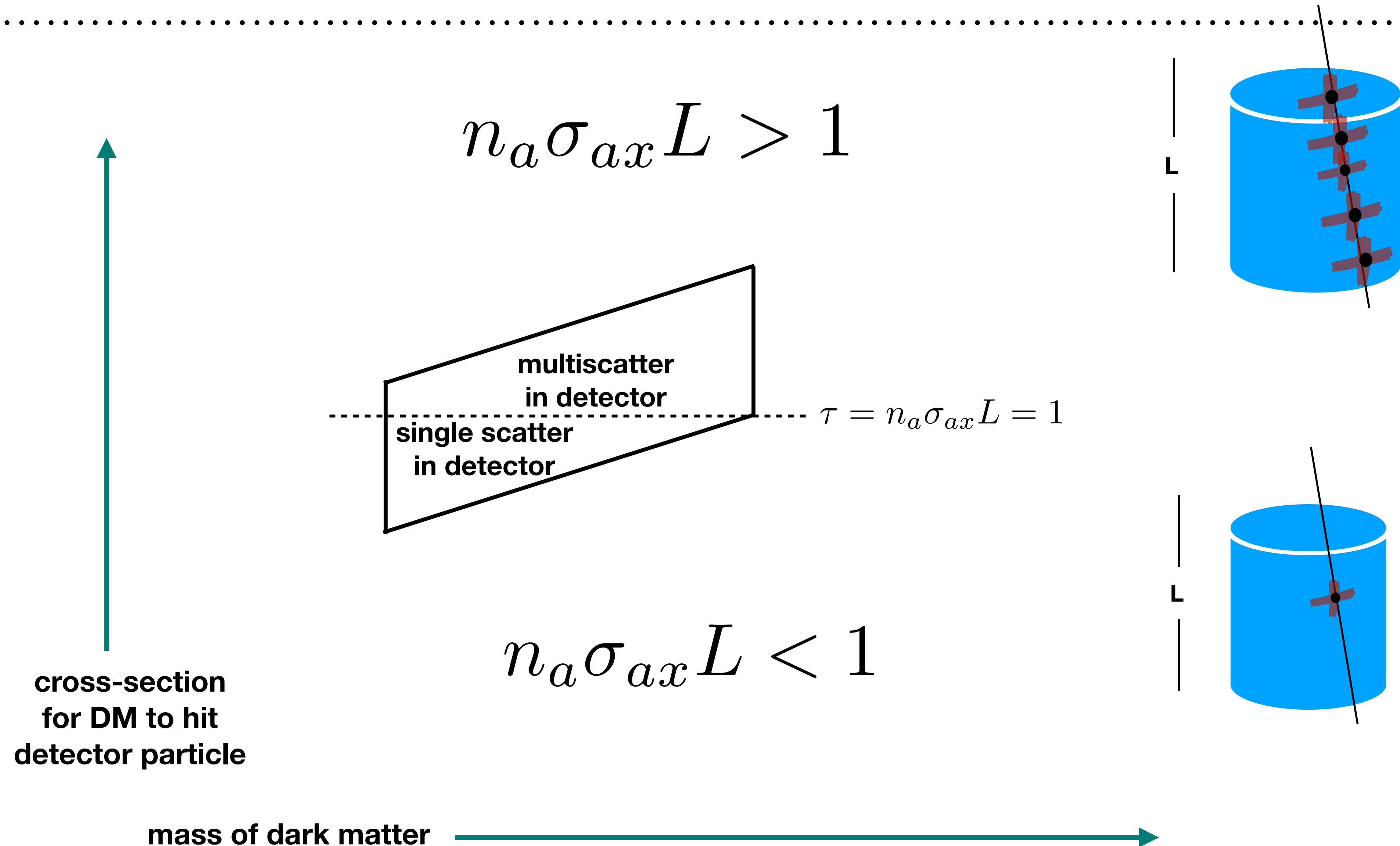


# Multiscatter dark matter detection

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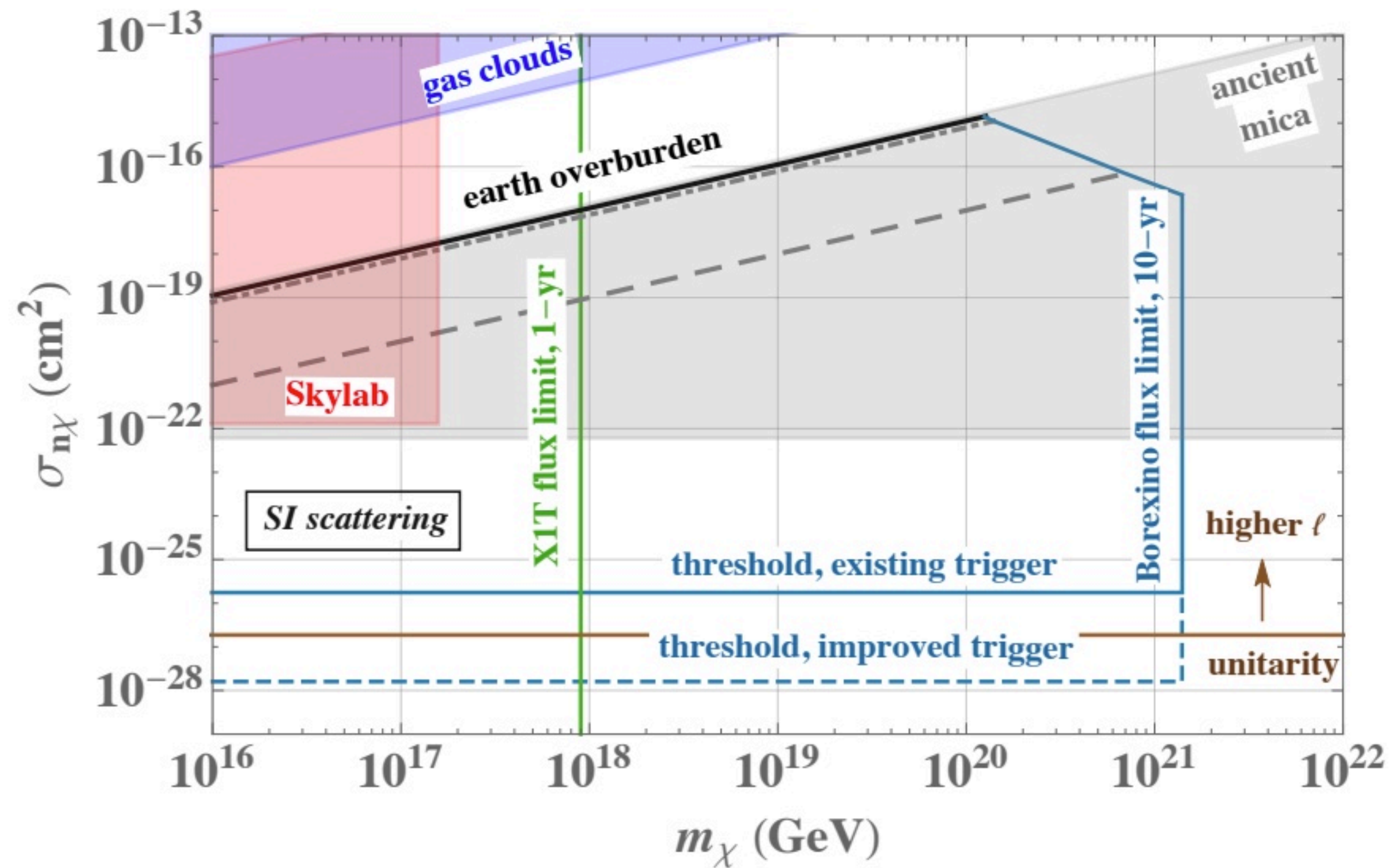


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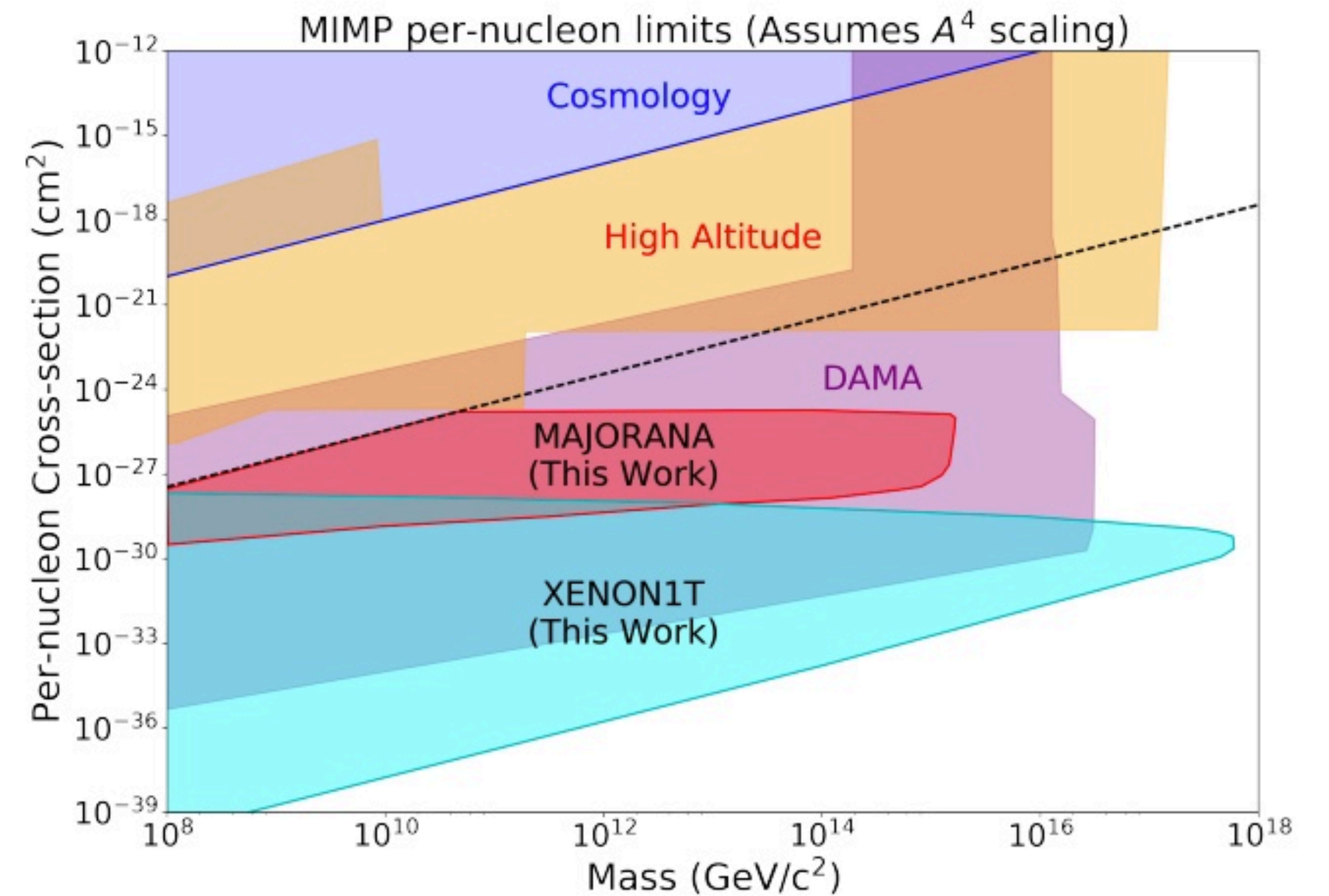


# Underground multiscatter prospects

## Scintillating Neutrino Detectors



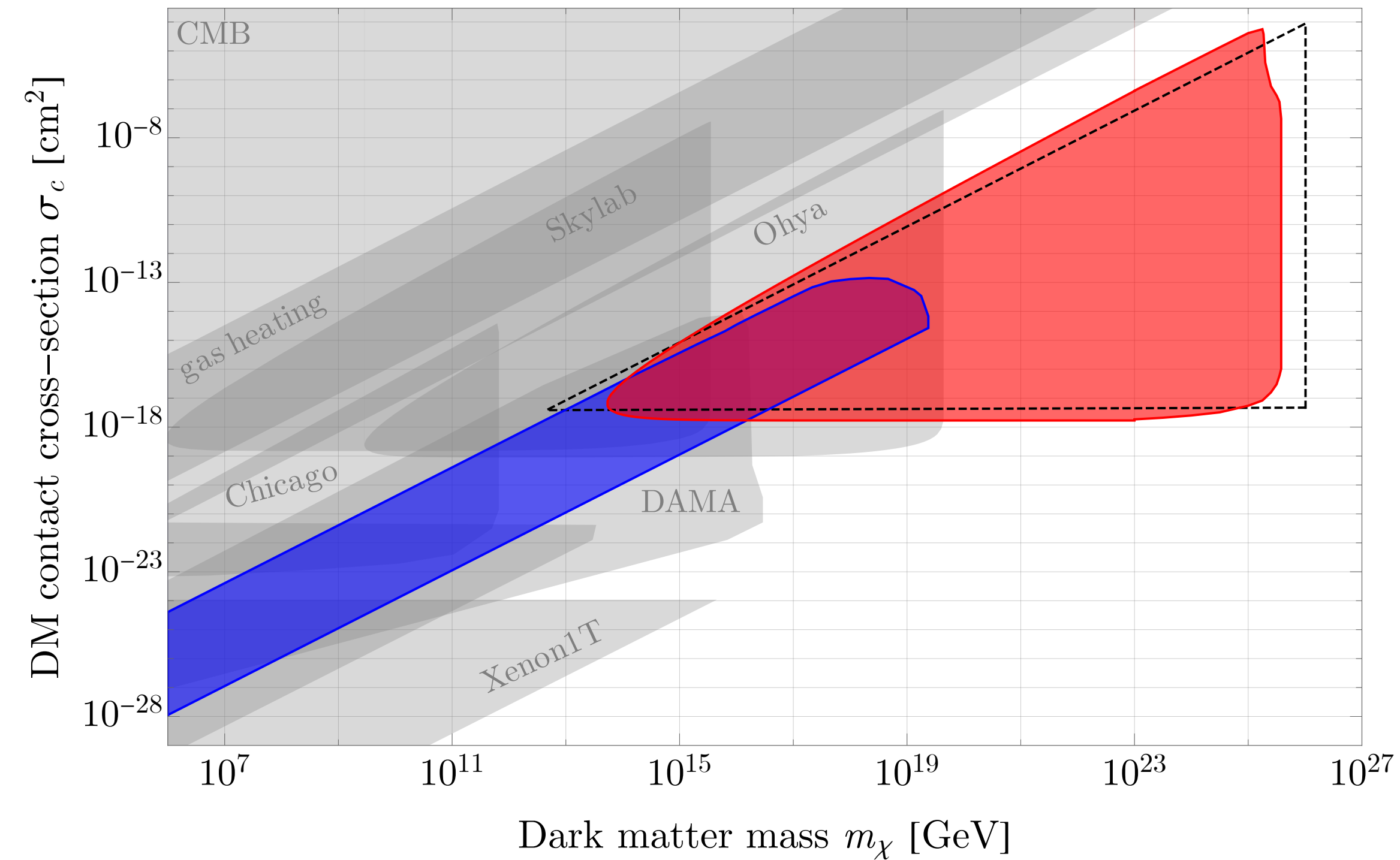
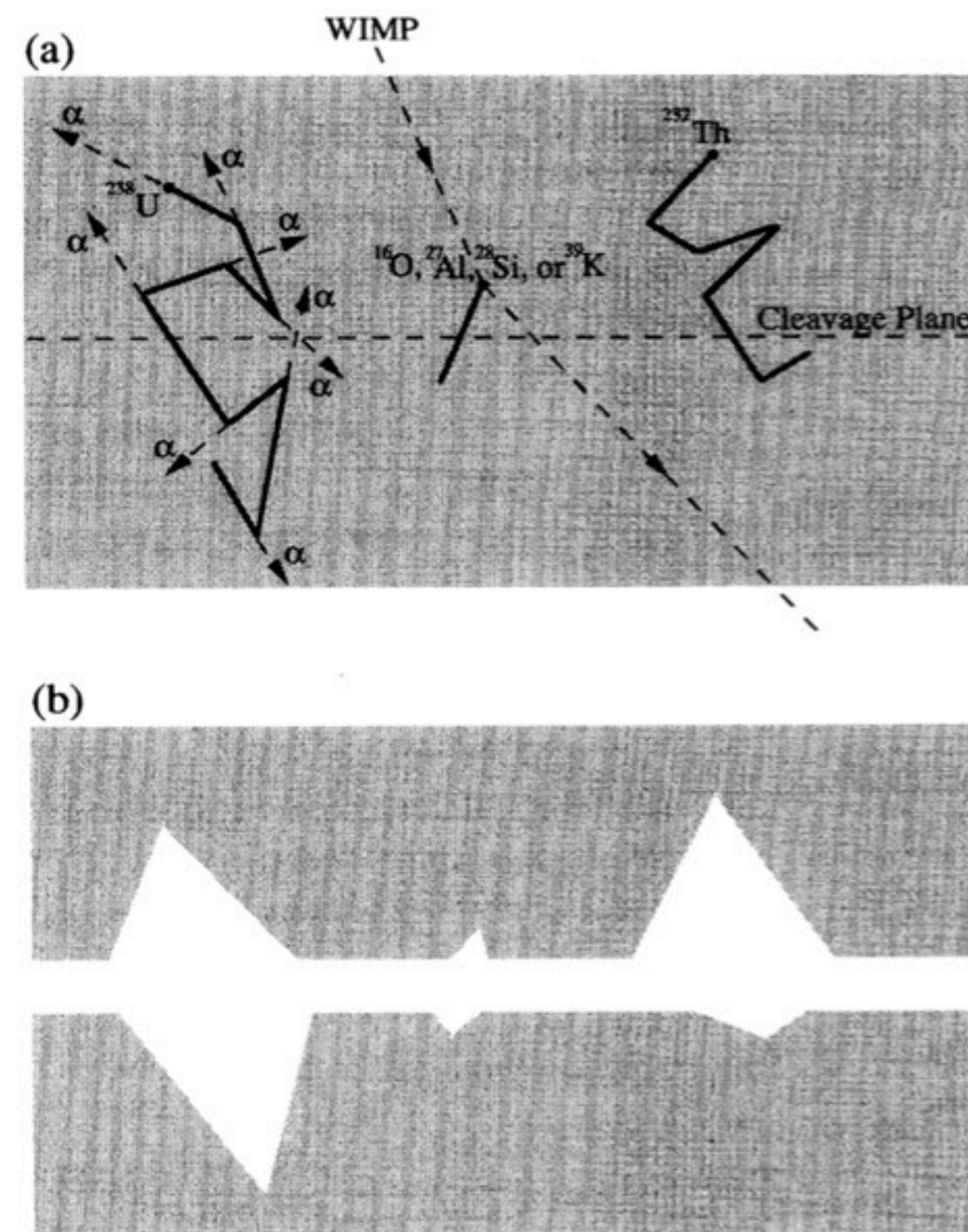
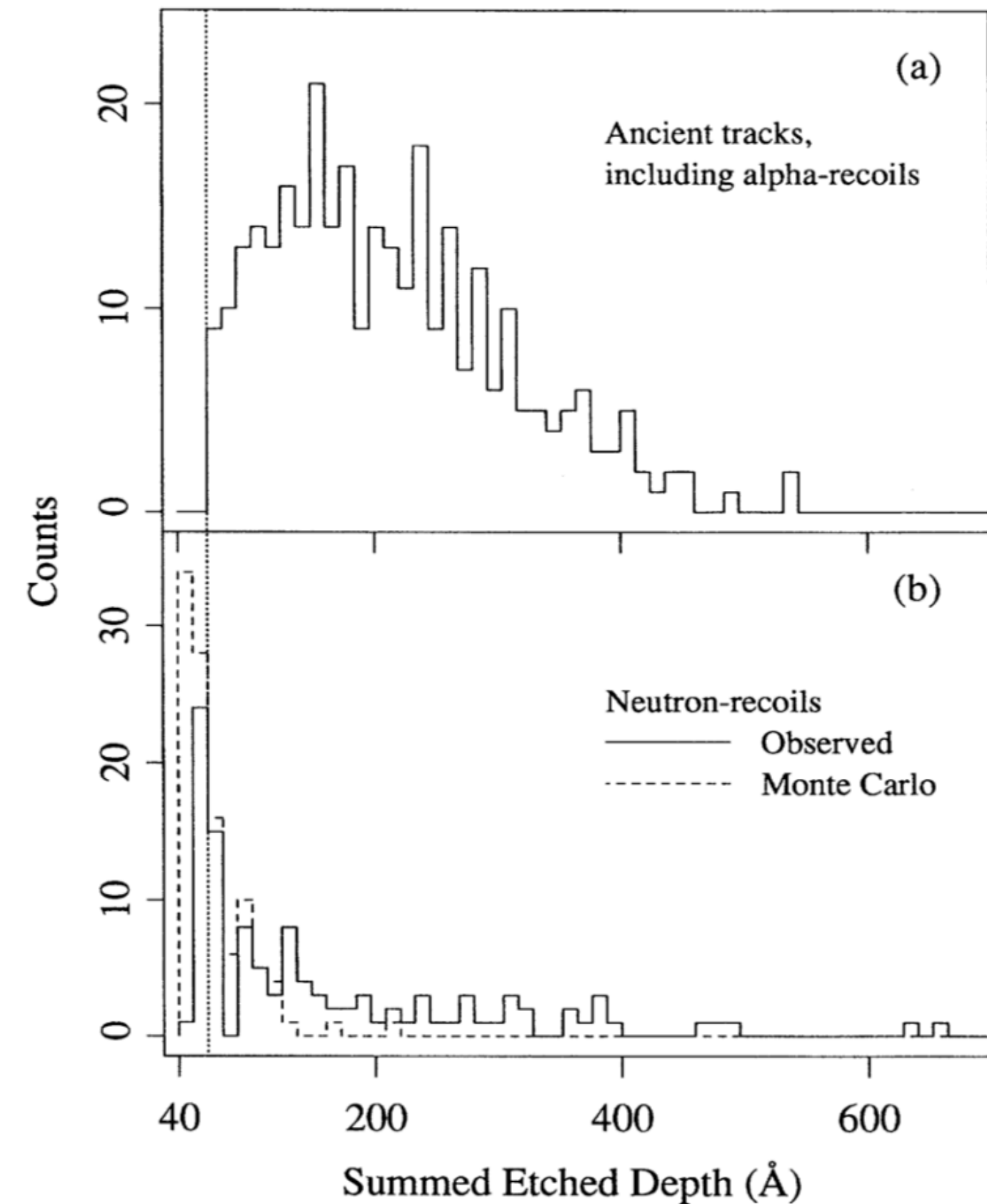
## Underground Multiscatter Searches



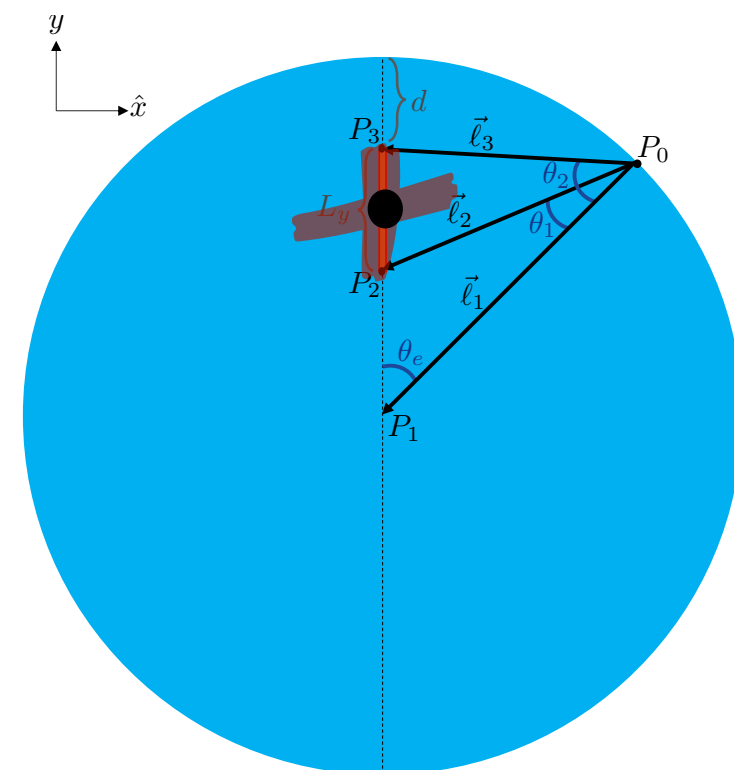
JB Broerman Kumar Lang Pospelov Raj 1812.09325  
 1803.08044 1910.05380

Ongoing work at PICO, XENON1T  
 2009.07909

# Ancient search for new particles: mica



- Calibrated and etched mica samples from Price 1986, Snowden-Ifft 1995



- Reanalyzed mica data using overburden  
 Acevedo, JB, Goodman 2105.06473  
 Bhoonah, JB, Courtman Song 2012.13406

# ETCHING PLASTIC SEARCHES FOR DARK MATTER

- *Two searches in 1978 and 1990 for cosmic rays and monopoles using acid-etched plastic track detectors*
- *Still have best sensitivity for some high mass dark matter, for different reasons*

Skylab

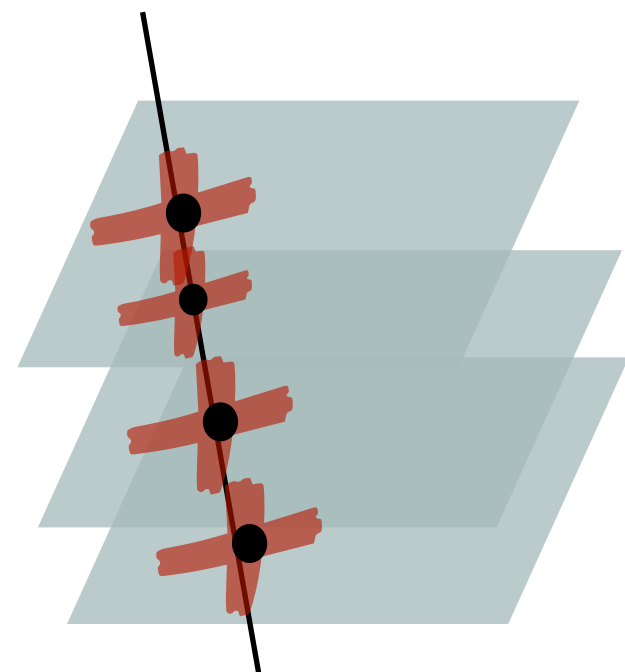


Ohya Quarry



	Skylab	Ohya
Area A	1.17 m <sup>2</sup>	2442 m <sup>2</sup>
Duration t	0.70 yr	2.1 yr
Zenith cutoff angle	$\theta_D = 60^\circ$	$\theta_D = 18.4^\circ$
Detector material	0.25 mm thick Lexan × 32 sheets	1.59 mm thick CR-39 × 4 sheets
Detector density	1.2 g cm <sup>-3</sup> Lexan	1.3 g cm <sup>-3</sup> CR-39
Detector length at $\theta_D$	1.6 cm	0.66 cm
Overburden density	2.7 g cm <sup>-3</sup> Aluminum	2.7 g cm <sup>-3</sup> Rock
Overburden length at $\theta_D$	0.74 cm	39 m

*Bhoonah, JB, Courtman, Song  
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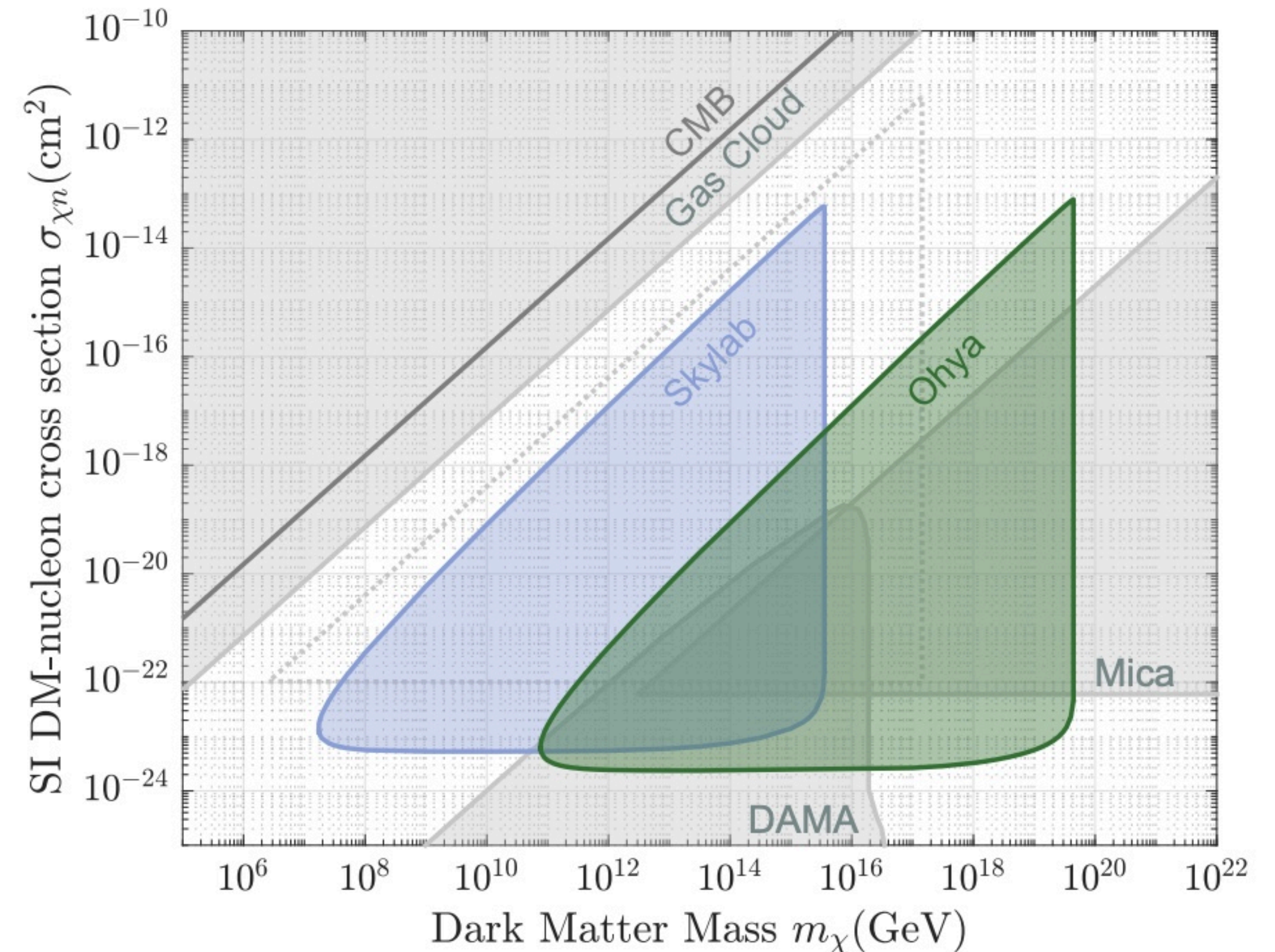
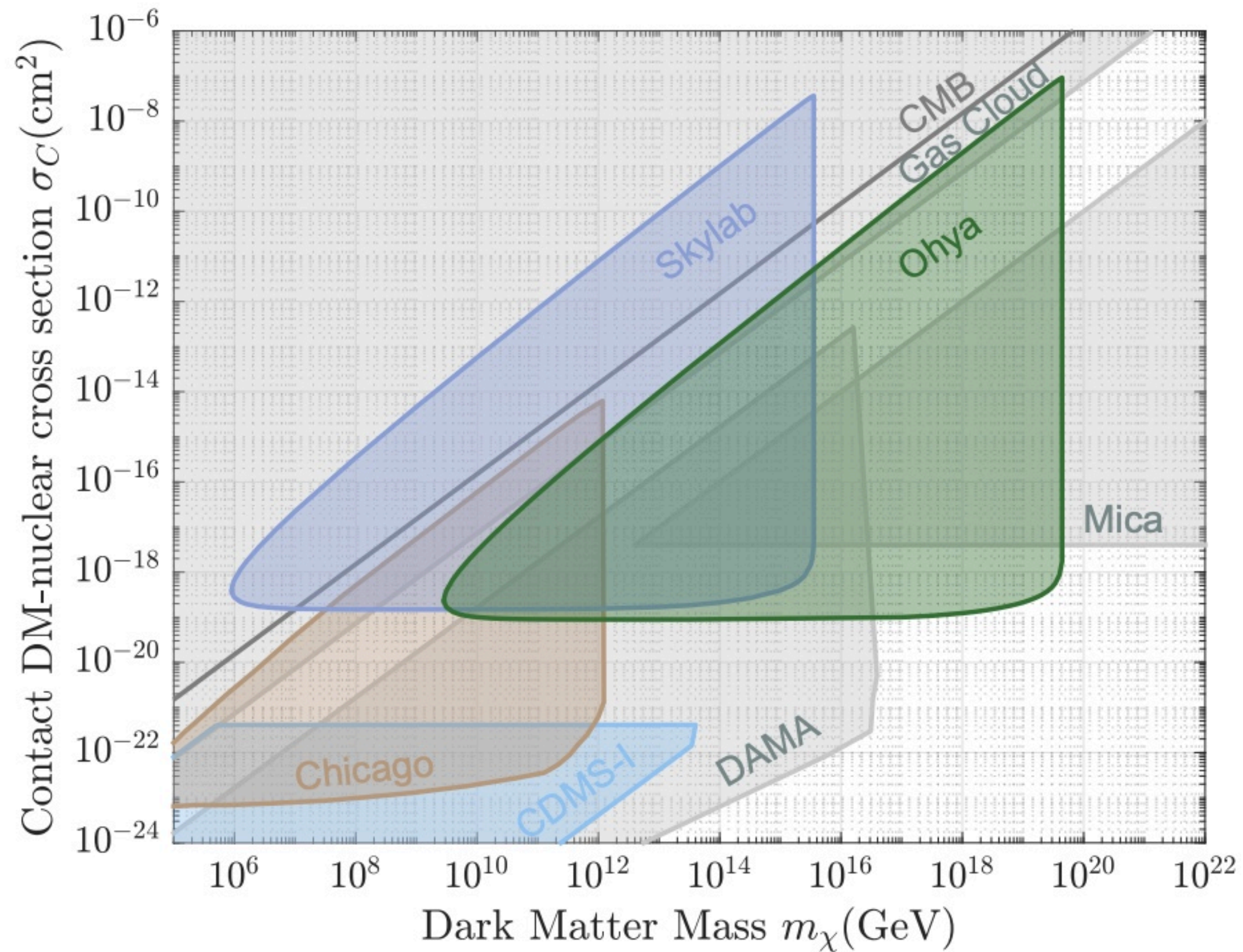


*(see also Starkman, Gould, Esmailzadeh Dimopoulos 1990)*

# ETCHING PLASTIC SEARCHES FOR DARK MATTER

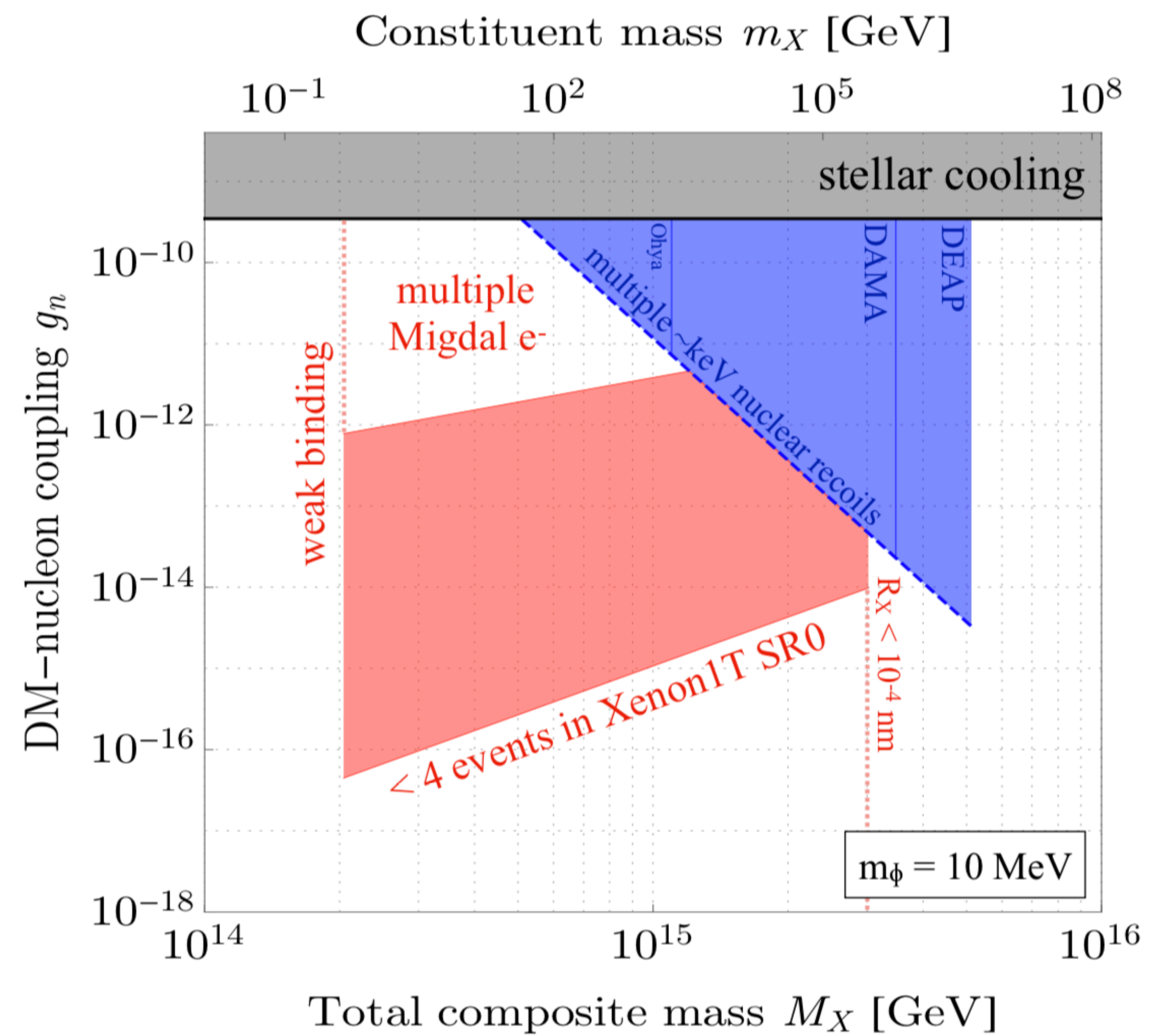
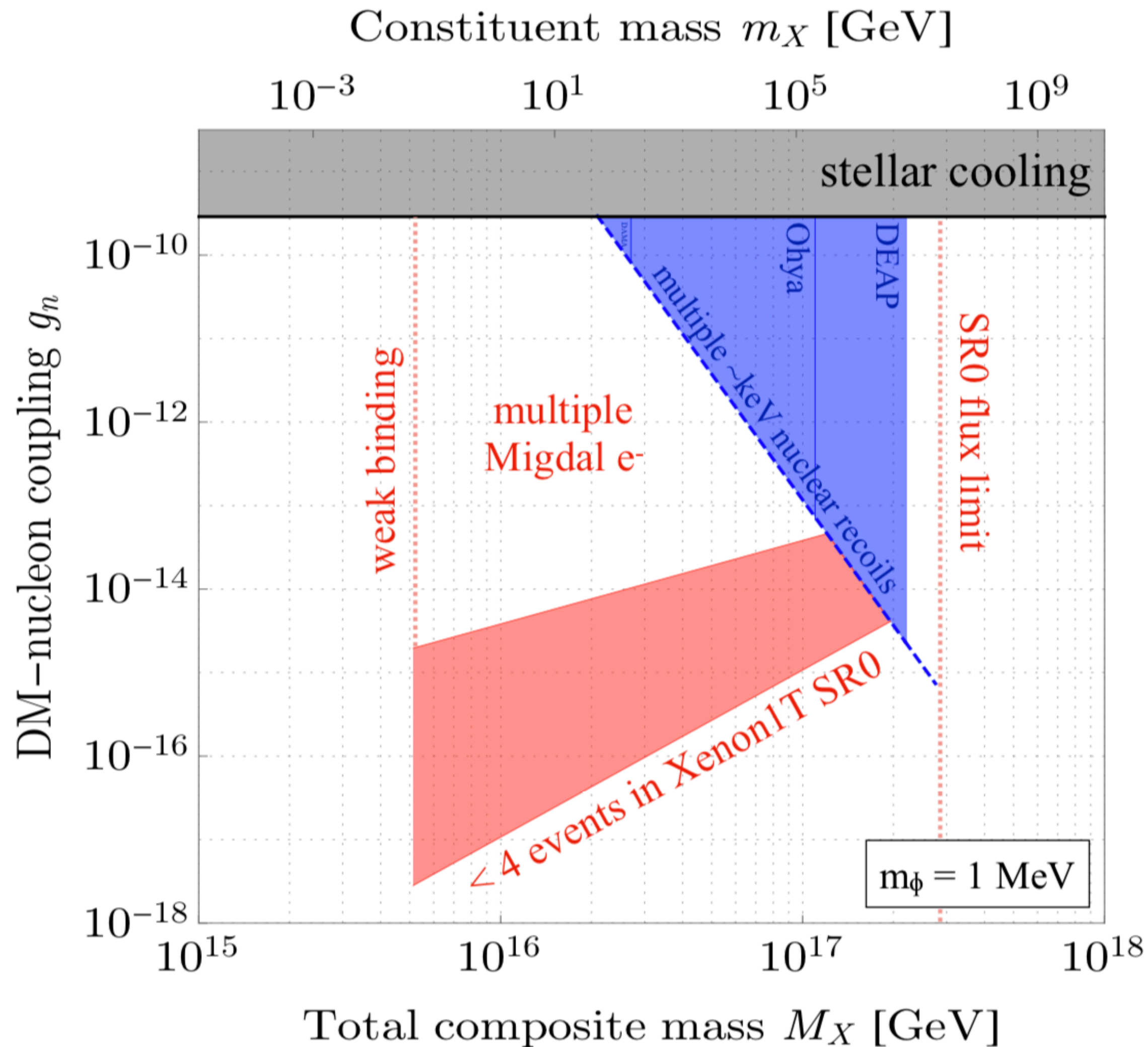
- Use realistic dark matter density and velocity distribution, solve for overburden + etching sensitivity

$$\frac{dE}{dx} \Big|_{th} = \frac{2E_i}{m_\chi} \left( \sum_{ACO} \frac{\mu_{\chi A}^2}{m_A} n_A \sigma_{\chi A} \right) \exp \left[ \frac{-2}{m_\chi} \left( x_O \sum_{ACO} n_A \frac{\mu_{\chi A}^2}{m_A} \sigma_{\chi A} + x_D \sum_{ACD} n_A \frac{\mu_{\chi A}^2}{m_A} \sigma_{\chi A} \right) \right]$$



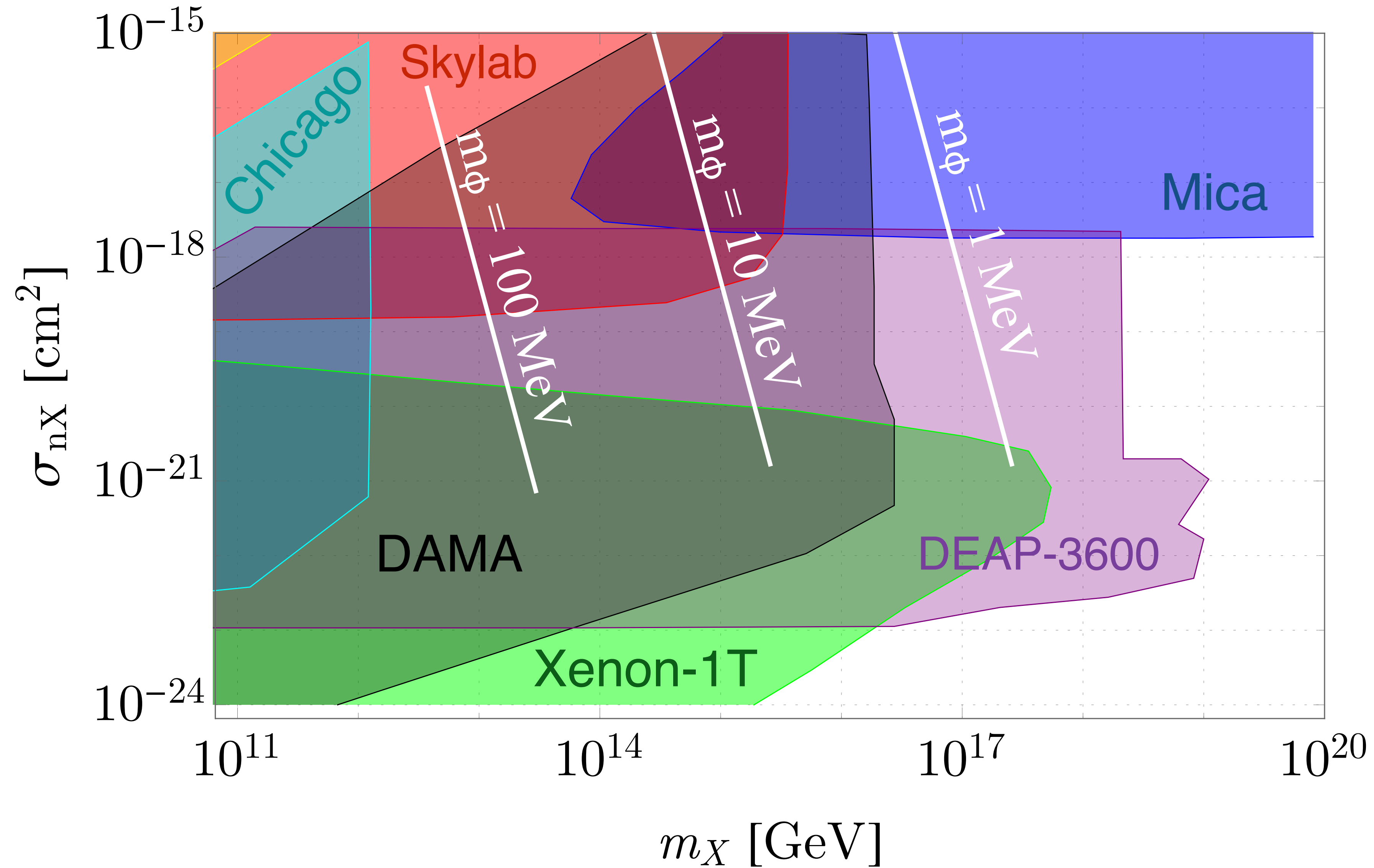
# Migdal Bounds

Composite masses/radii determined by  $m_X$ , cosmology with  $\alpha_X = 0.3$



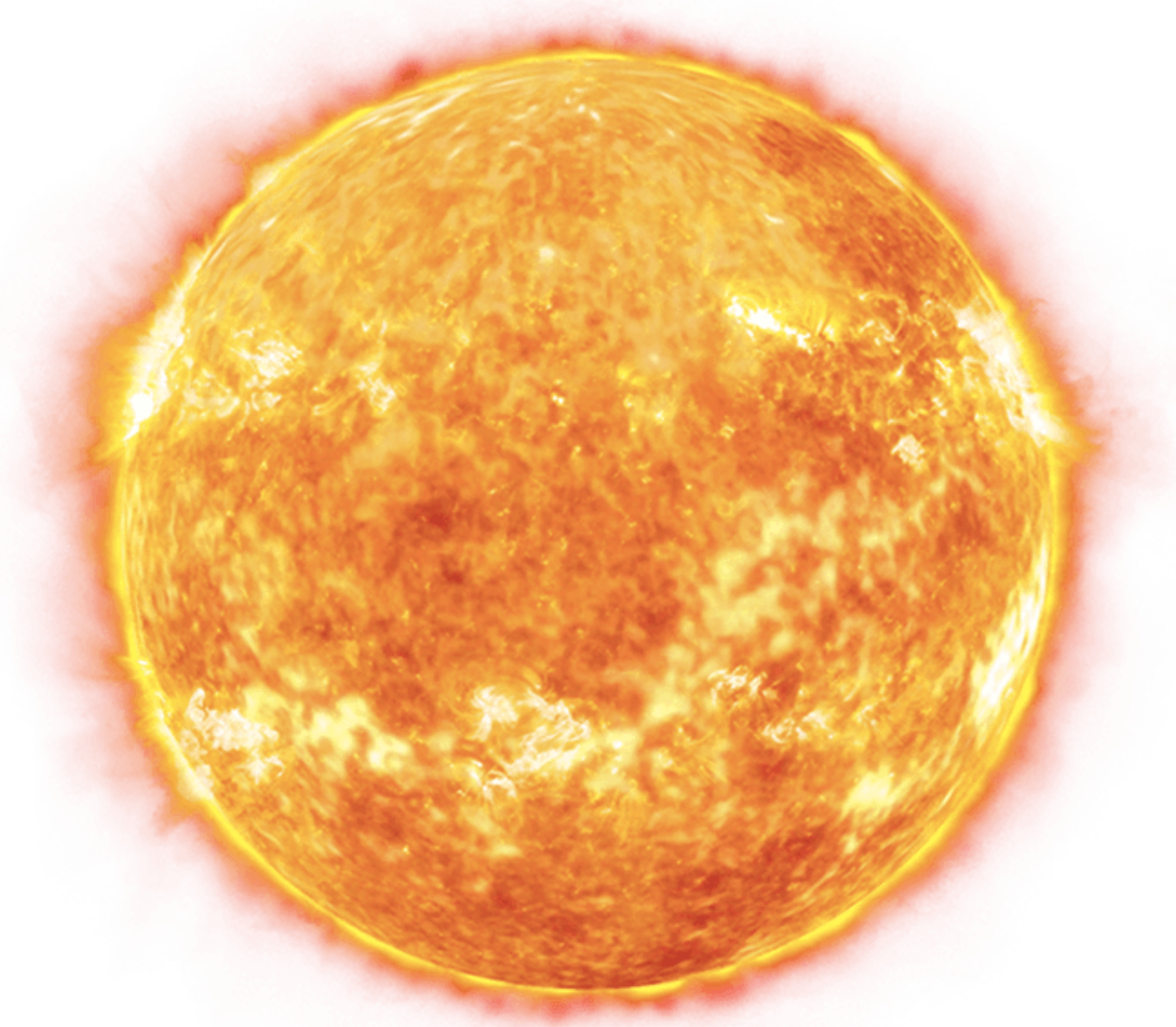
# Summary of experimental bounds:

Acevedo, **JB**, Goodman, 2105.06473  
Adhikari et. al., DEAP collaboration, 2108.09405

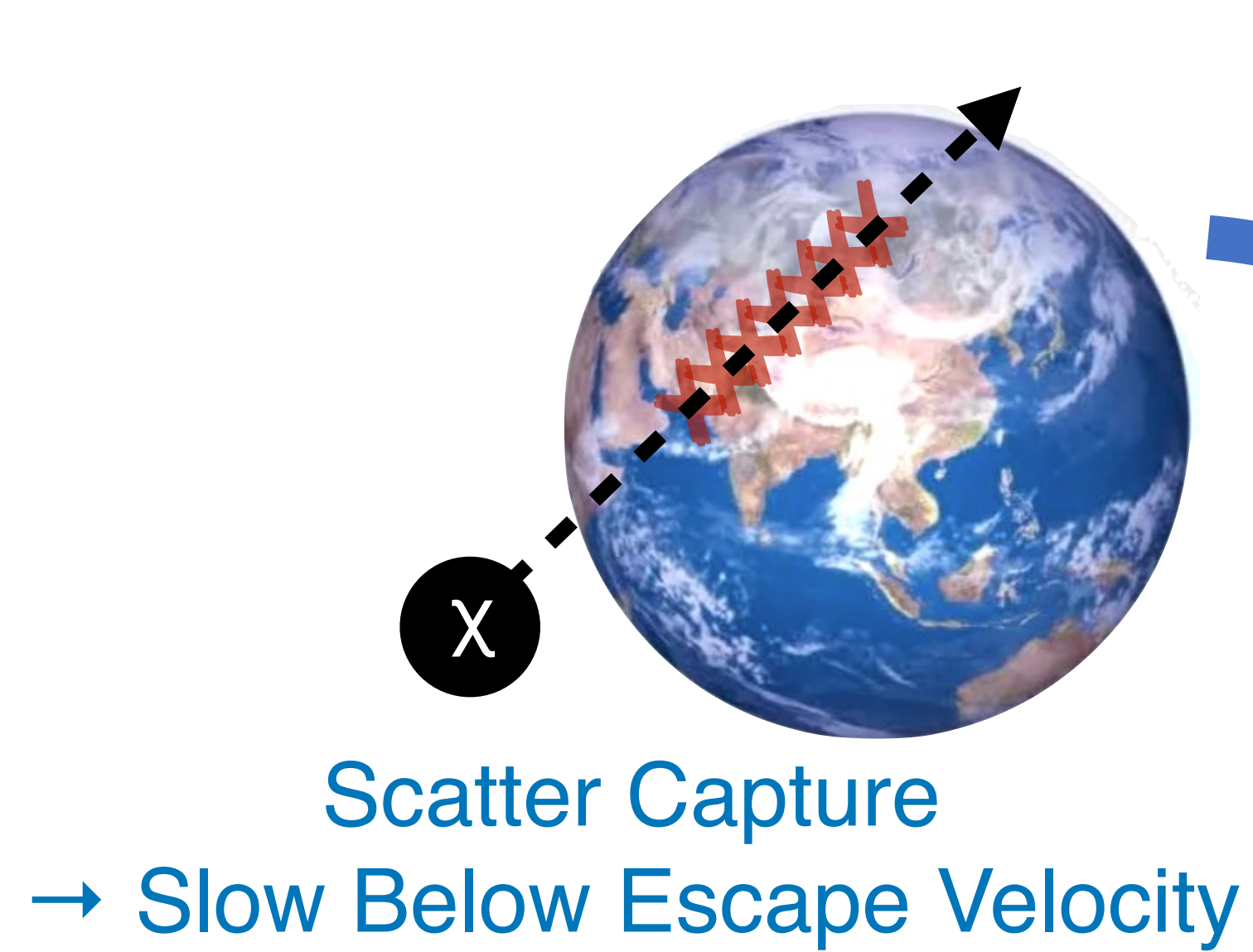




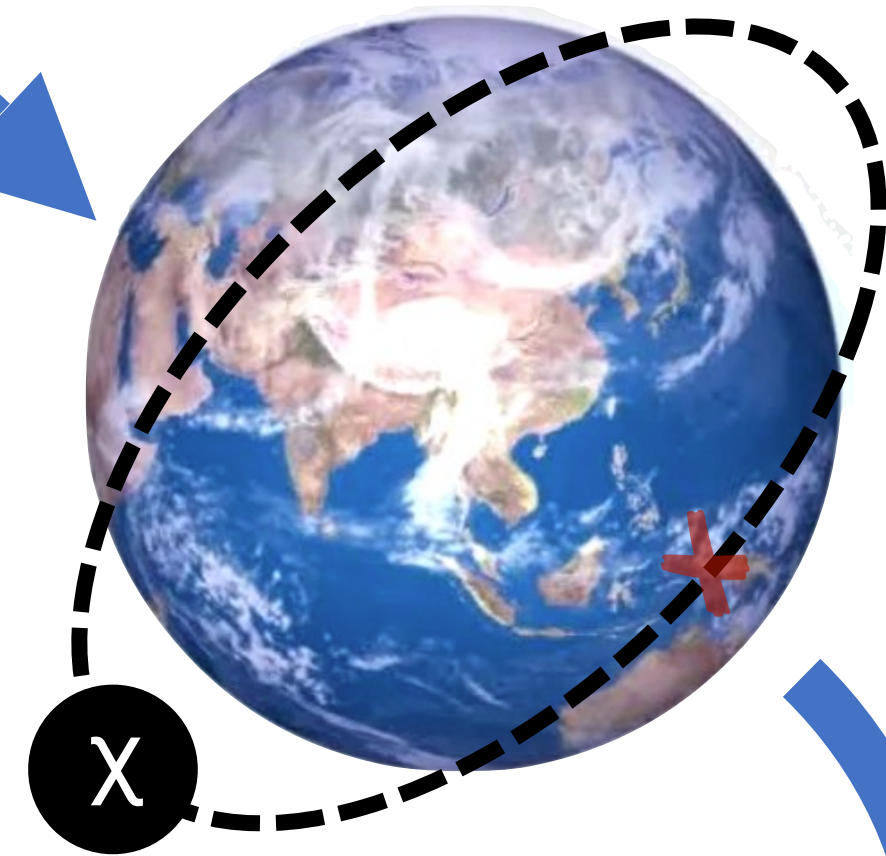
# Stars and Planets As Dark Matter Detectors



Acevedo, JB, Goodman, Kopp, Opferkuch 2012.09176  
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First Thermalization



-These processes occur via a single low-velocity DM-SM cross-section

Annihilating DM heats Earth

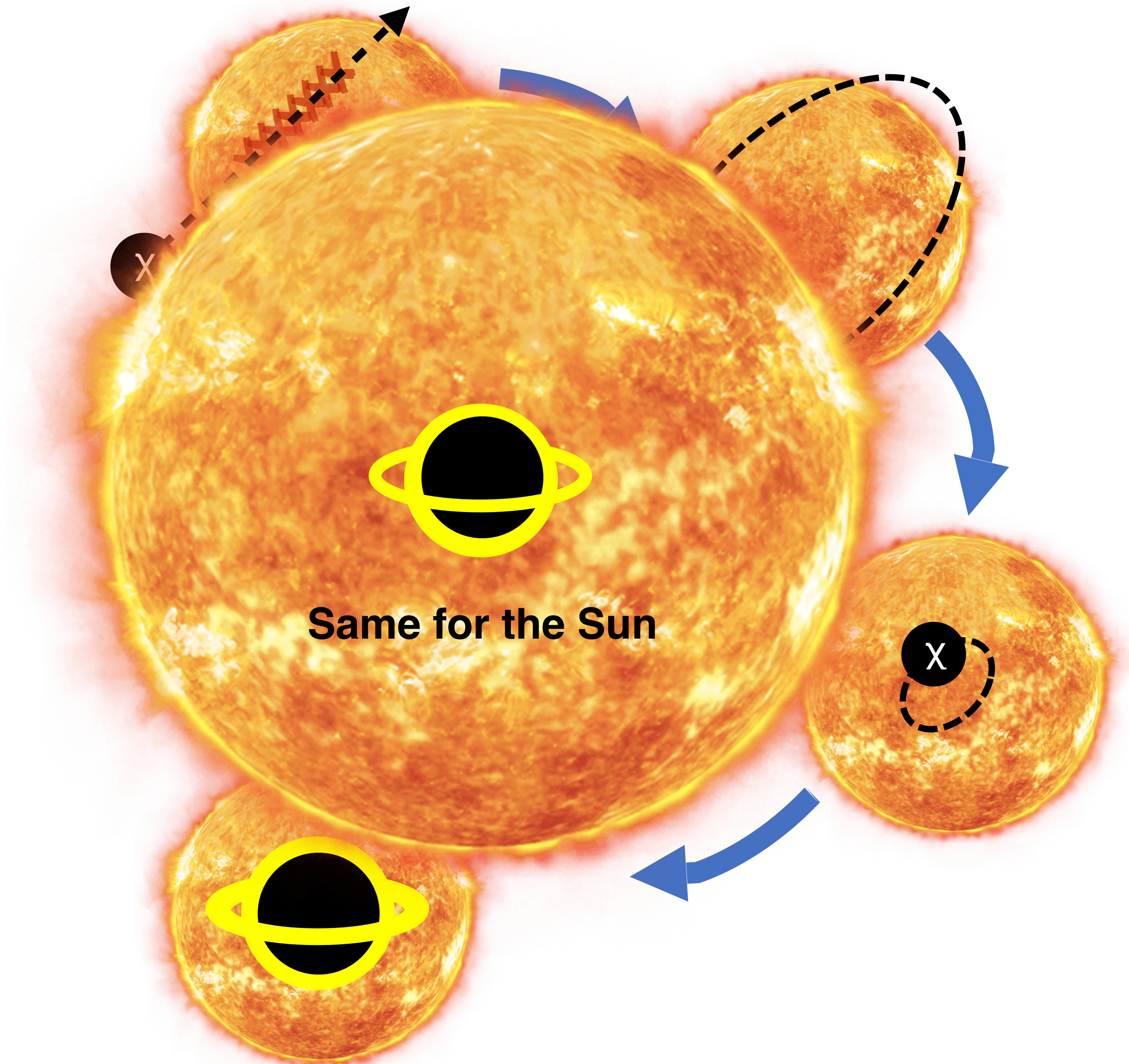


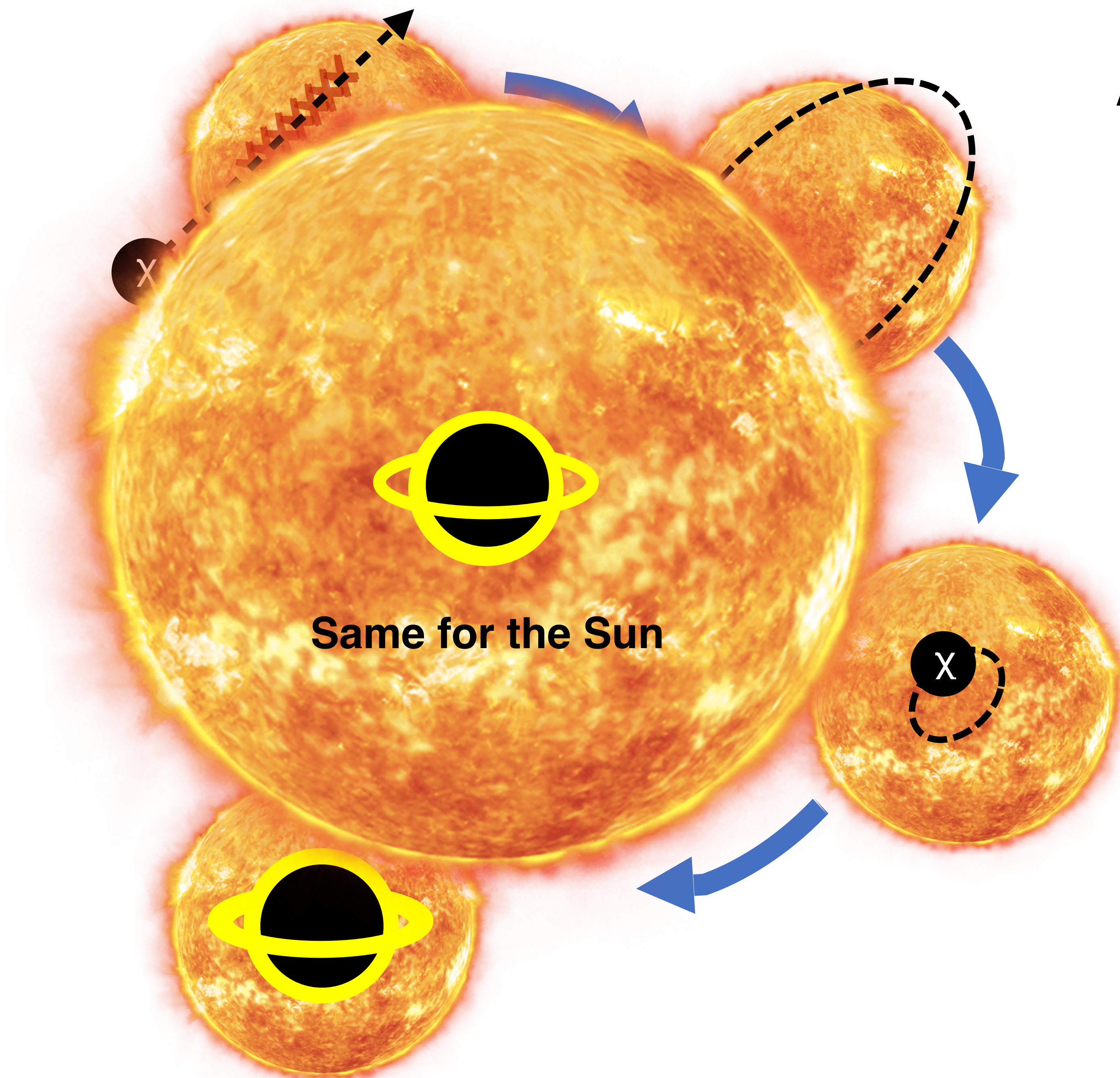
Or

Non-annihilating DM collapses to BH, then heats or eats earth

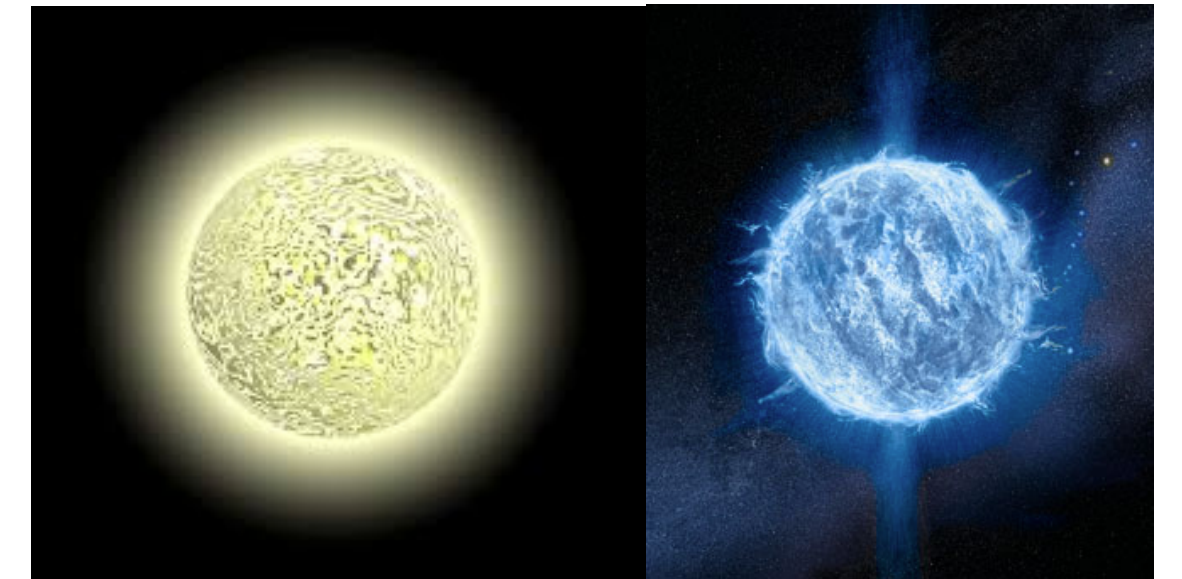


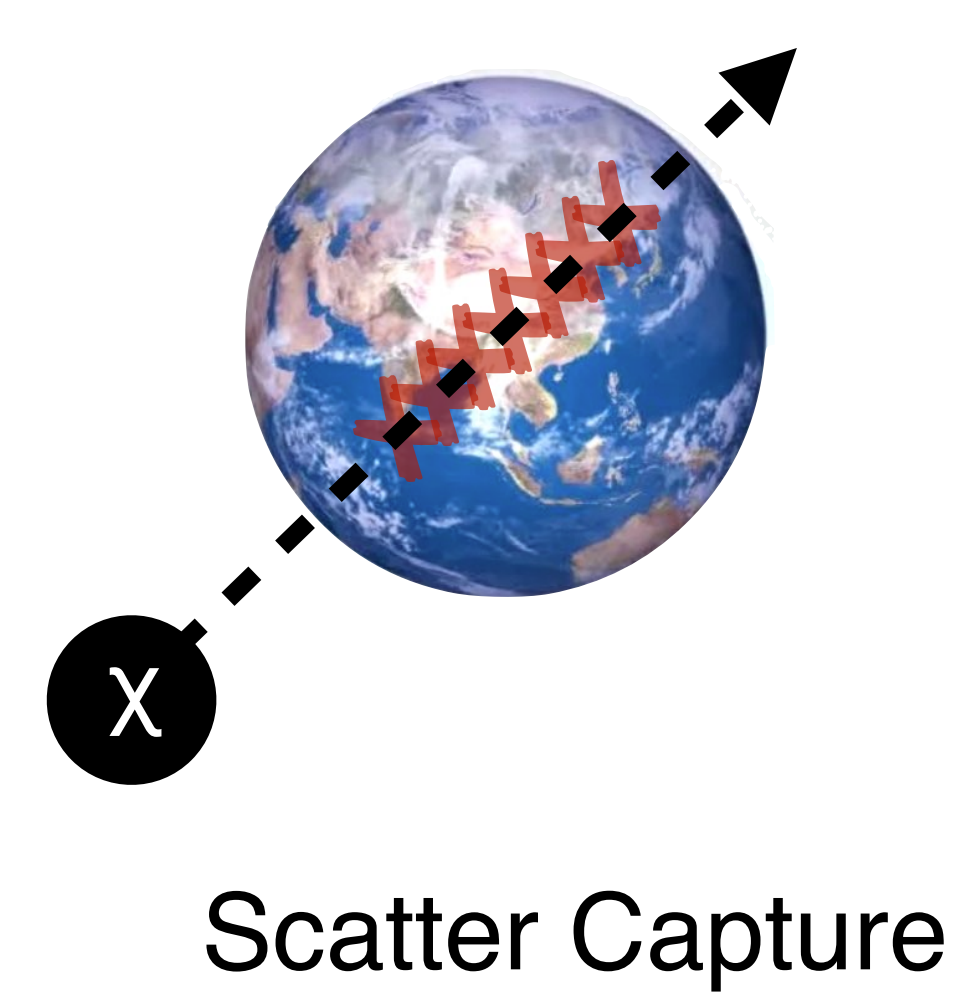
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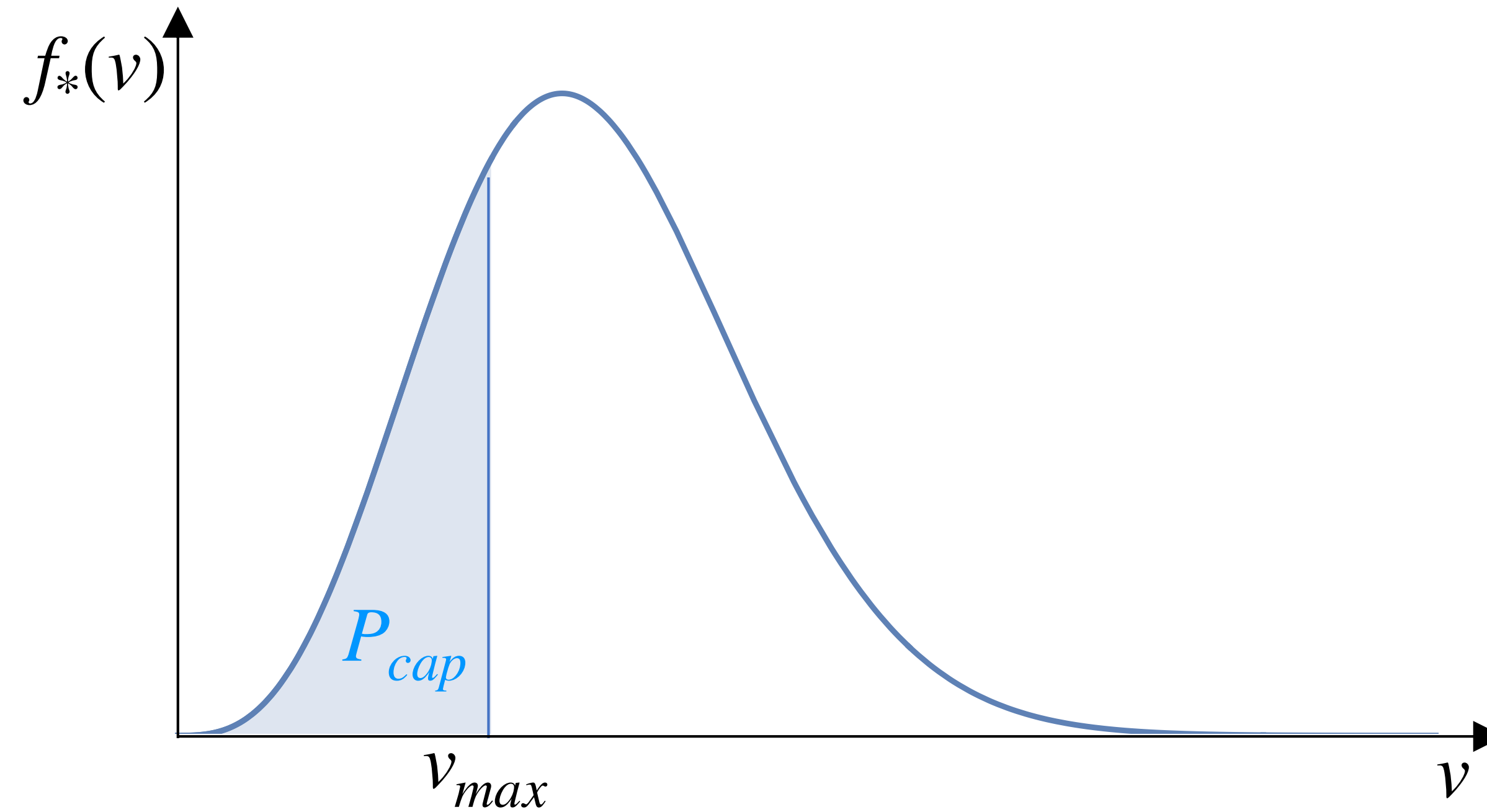


**And White Dwarfs and  
Neutron stars**





For high mass DM, need proper Earth frame DM distribution, since capture is often dominated by low-velocity DM



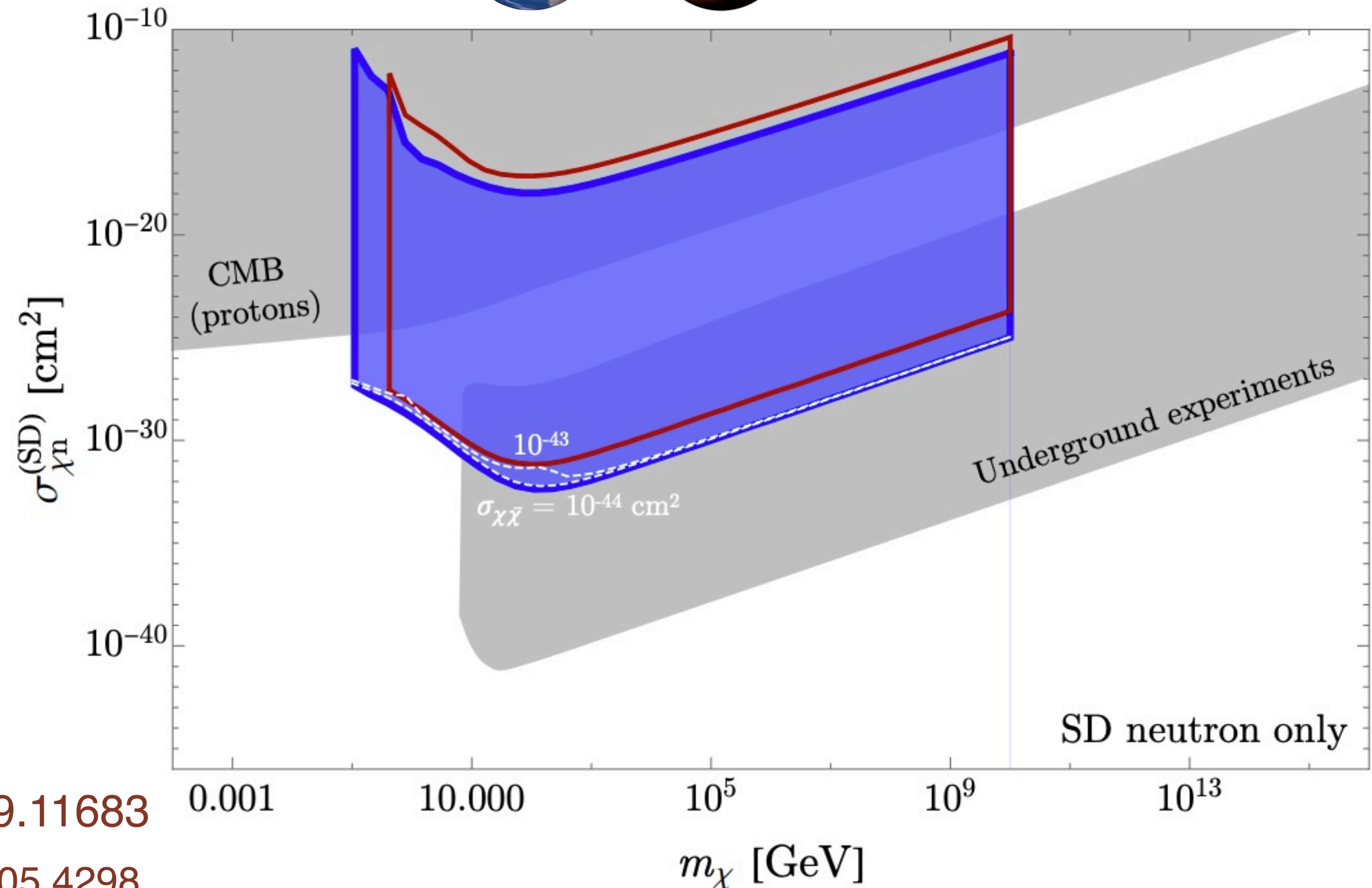
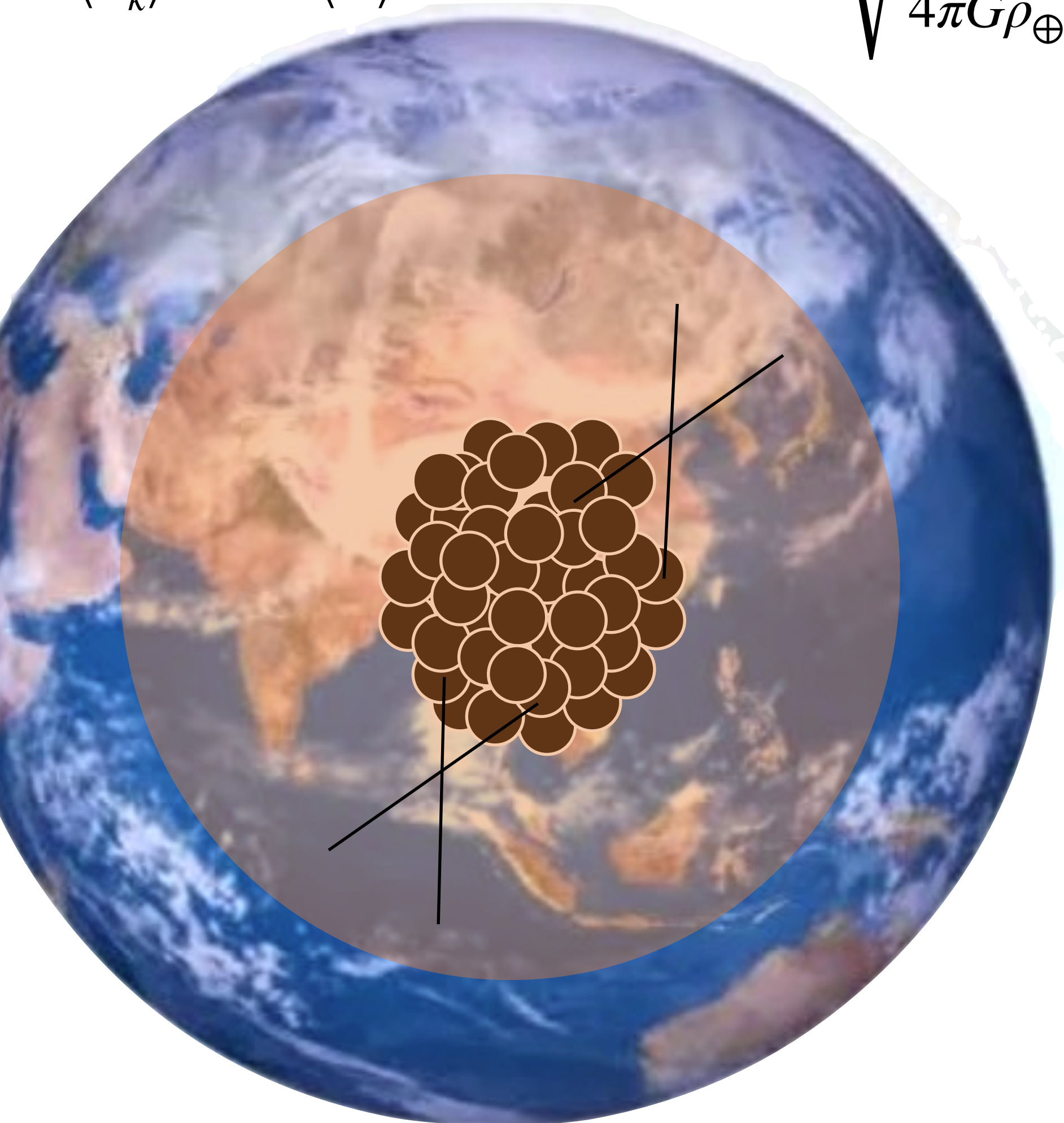
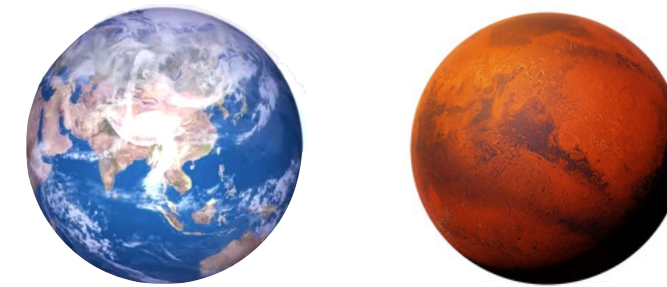
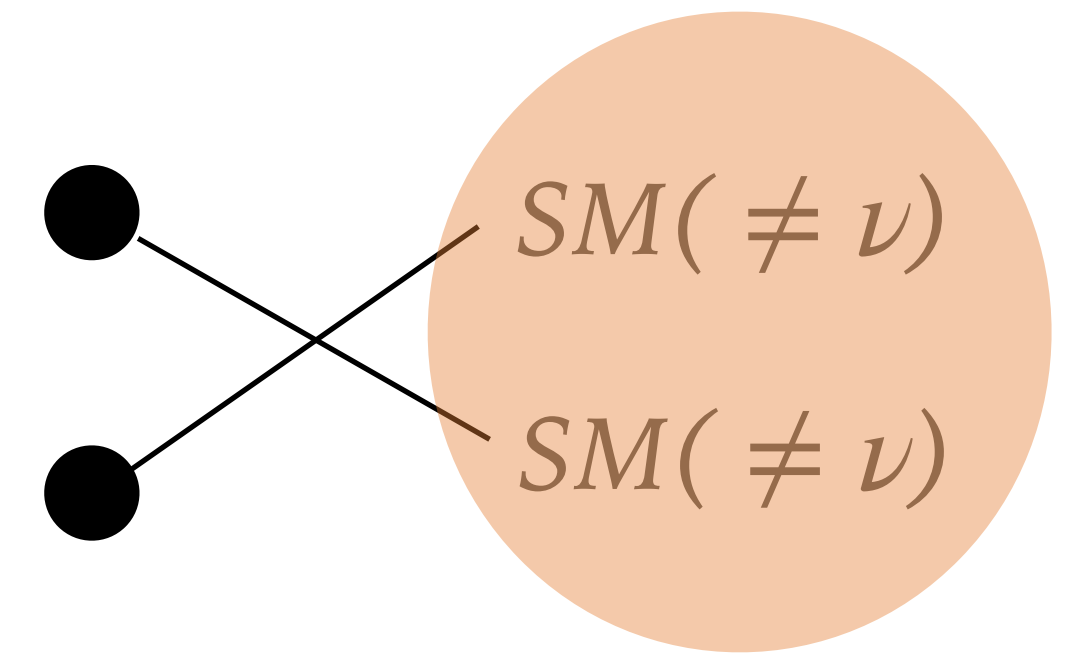
$$f_*(v) \sim \int_{-1}^1 d \cos \phi (v^2 - v_e^2)^{3/2} \exp\left(-\frac{\tilde{v}^2}{v_0^2}\right) \Theta(v - v_e) \Theta(v_{eg} - \tilde{v})$$

DM is slower than galactic escape velocity  $v_{eg} \sim 550$  km/s, but faster than Earth's escape velocity

# Sphere of DM particles in the Earth settle at thermal radius:

$$\langle E_k \rangle \simeq -2\langle V \rangle \longrightarrow r_{th} = \sqrt{\frac{9T_{\oplus}}{4\pi G\rho_{\oplus}m_{\chi}}} \lesssim \mathcal{O}(\text{km})$$

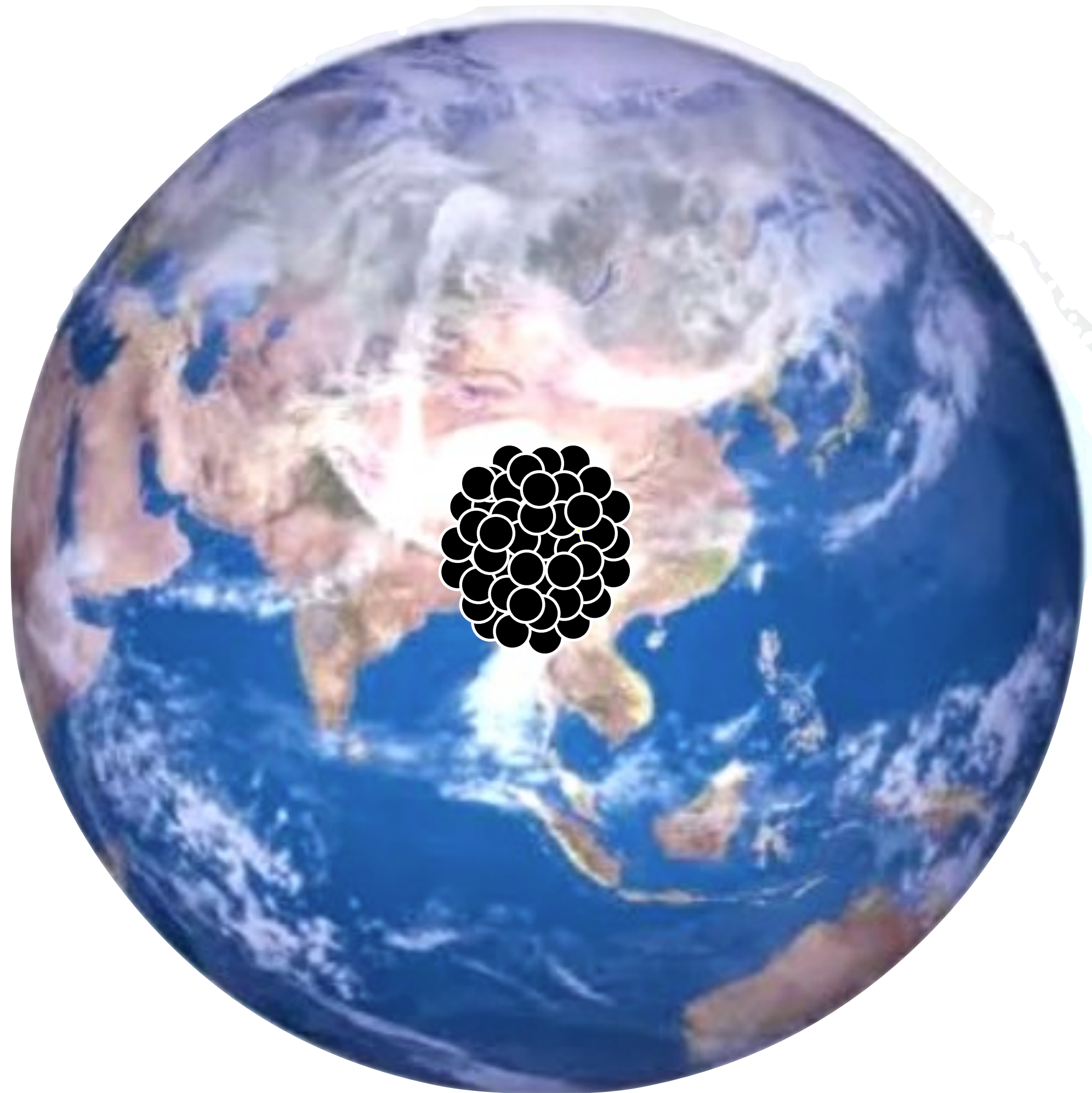
If they annihilate:  
Earth/Martian heating!



JB, Buchanan, Goodman, Lodhi 1909.11683

see also Mack, Beacom, Bertone 0705.4298

# If they don't annihilate: collapse!



## Conditions

Jeans instability:

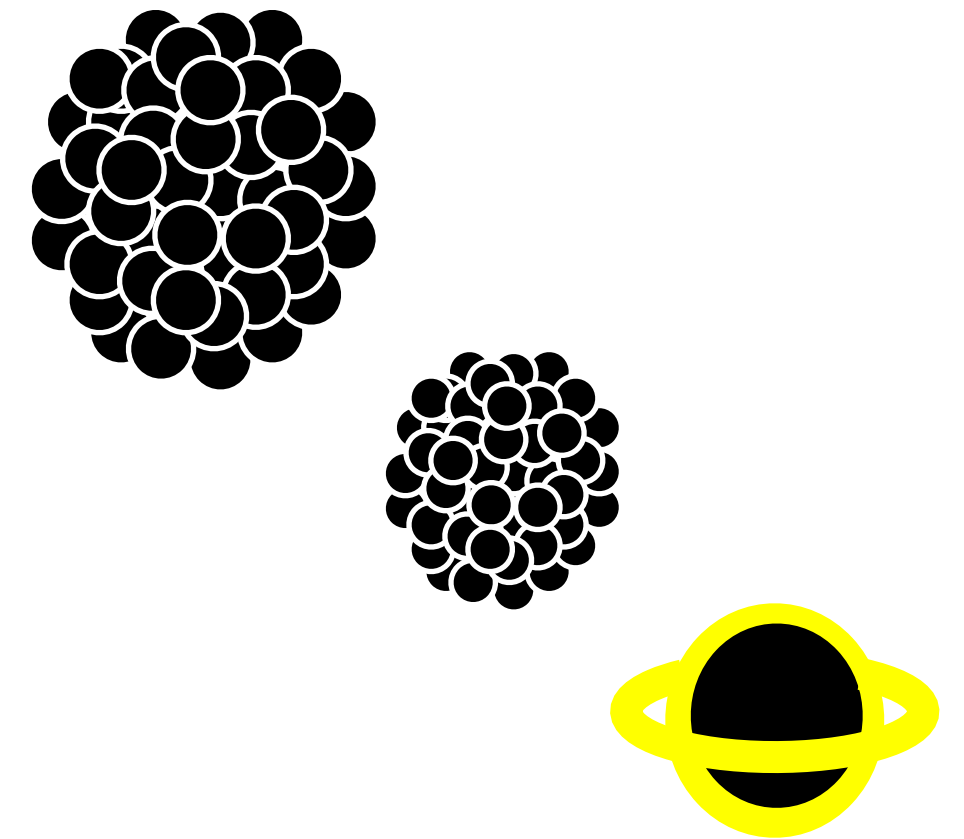
$$\rho_\chi \gtrsim \rho_\oplus$$

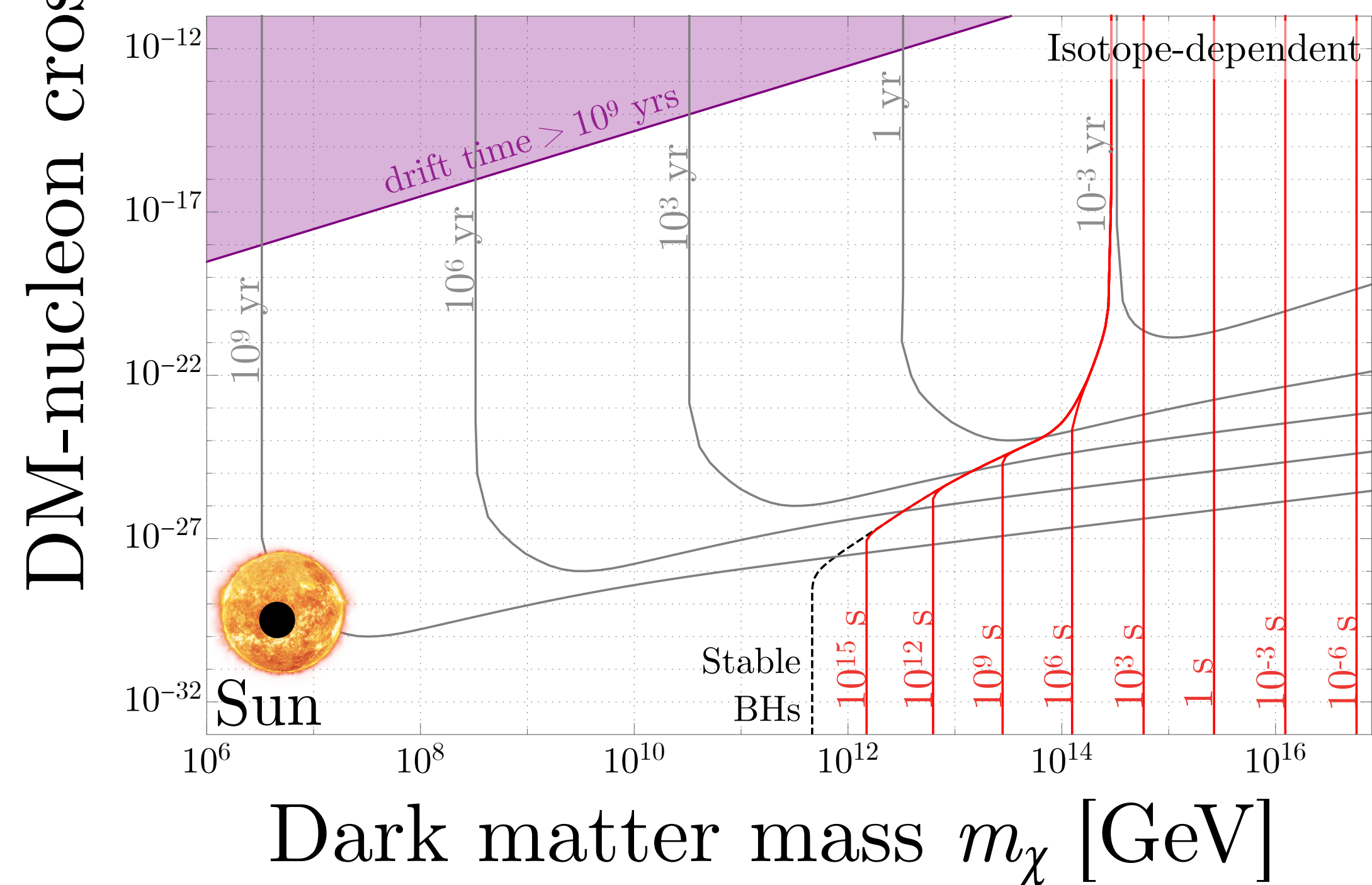
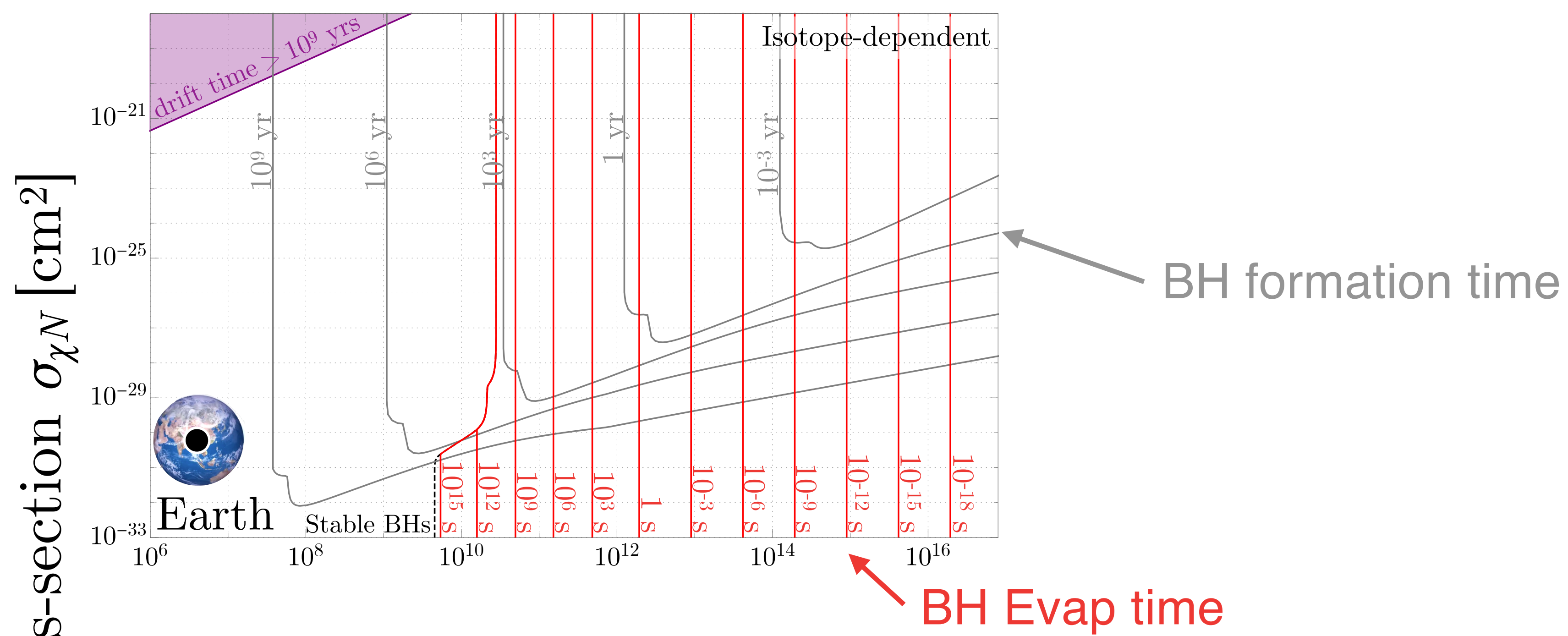
Self-gravitating:

$$M_{cap} \gtrsim \sqrt{\frac{3T_\oplus^3}{\pi G^3 m_\chi^3 \rho_\oplus}} = M_{sg}$$

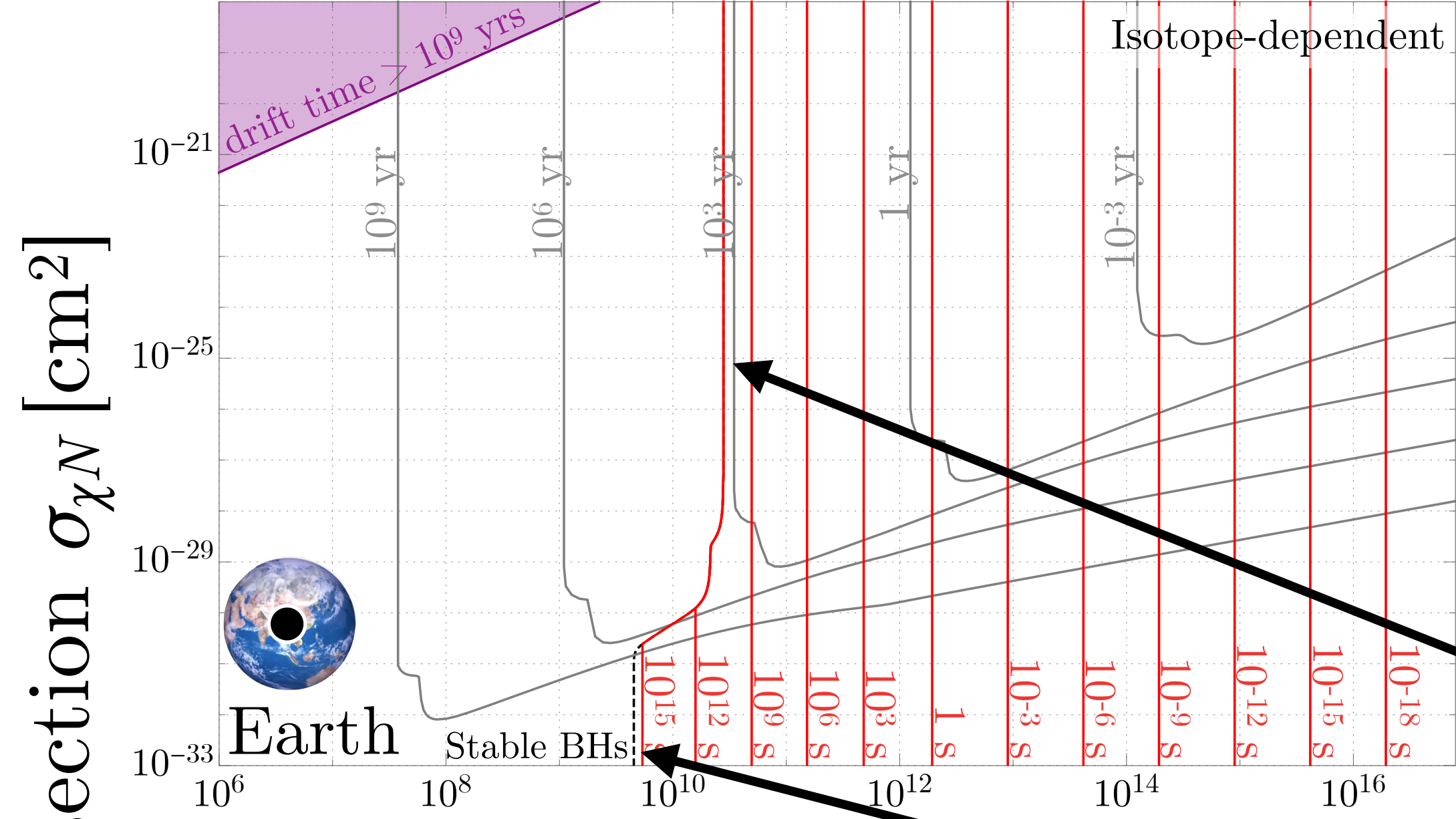
Fermi degeneracy:

$$M_{cap} \gtrsim \frac{M_{pl}^3}{m_\chi^2} = M_f$$









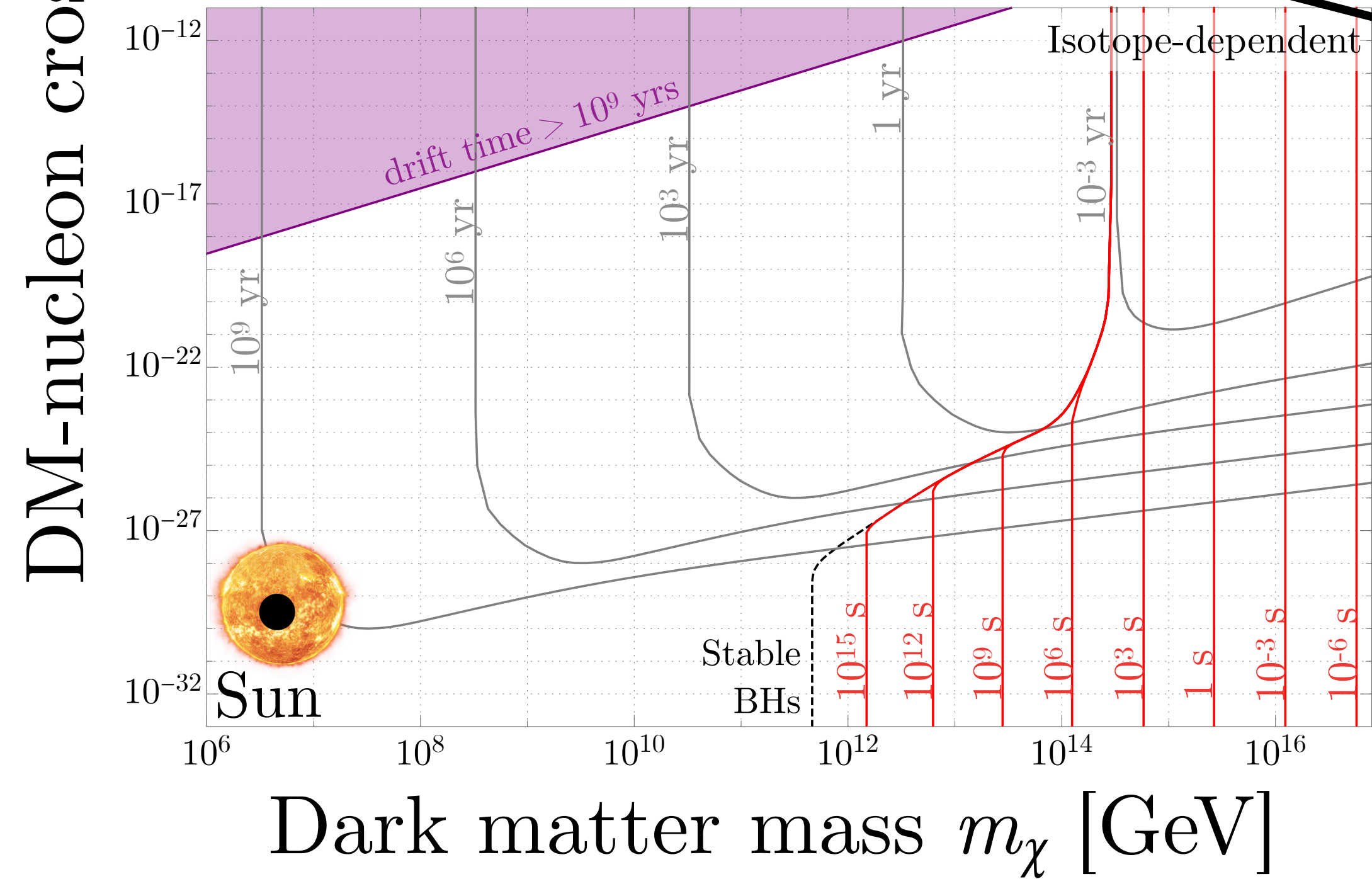
**Earth**

**Max destructive  $m_\chi$**   
 Hawking = Bondi +  $m_\chi \Phi_\chi$

$$2.7 \times 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$$

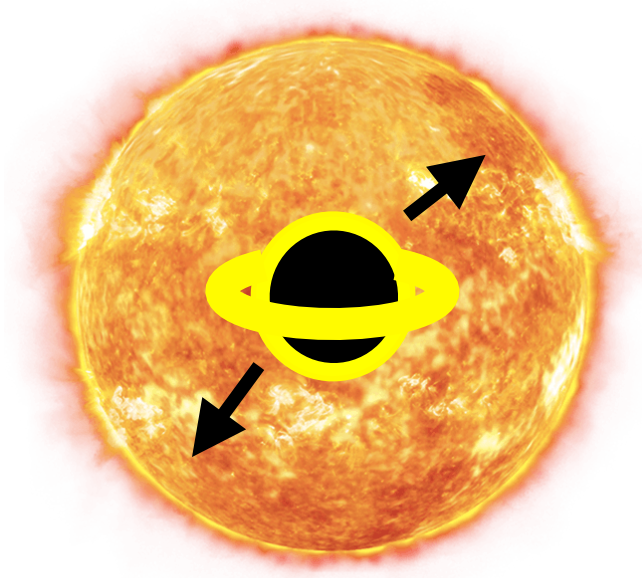
**Min evaporative  $m_\chi$**   
 Hawking = Bondi

$$4.5 \times 10^9 \text{ GeV}$$

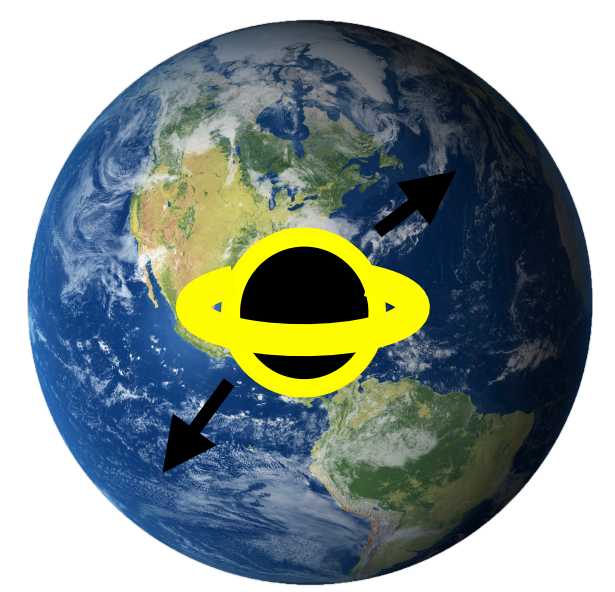


- Upshot: higher mass DM implies smaller black holes formed  
 Two factors: fermi and thermalization

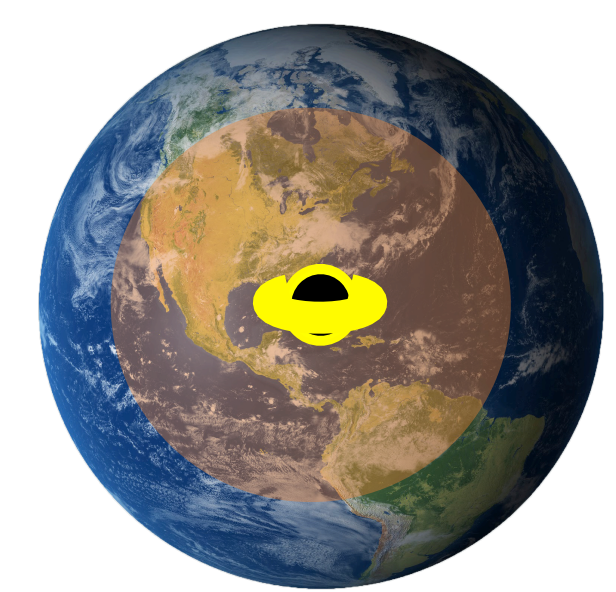
- Smaller black holes evaporate



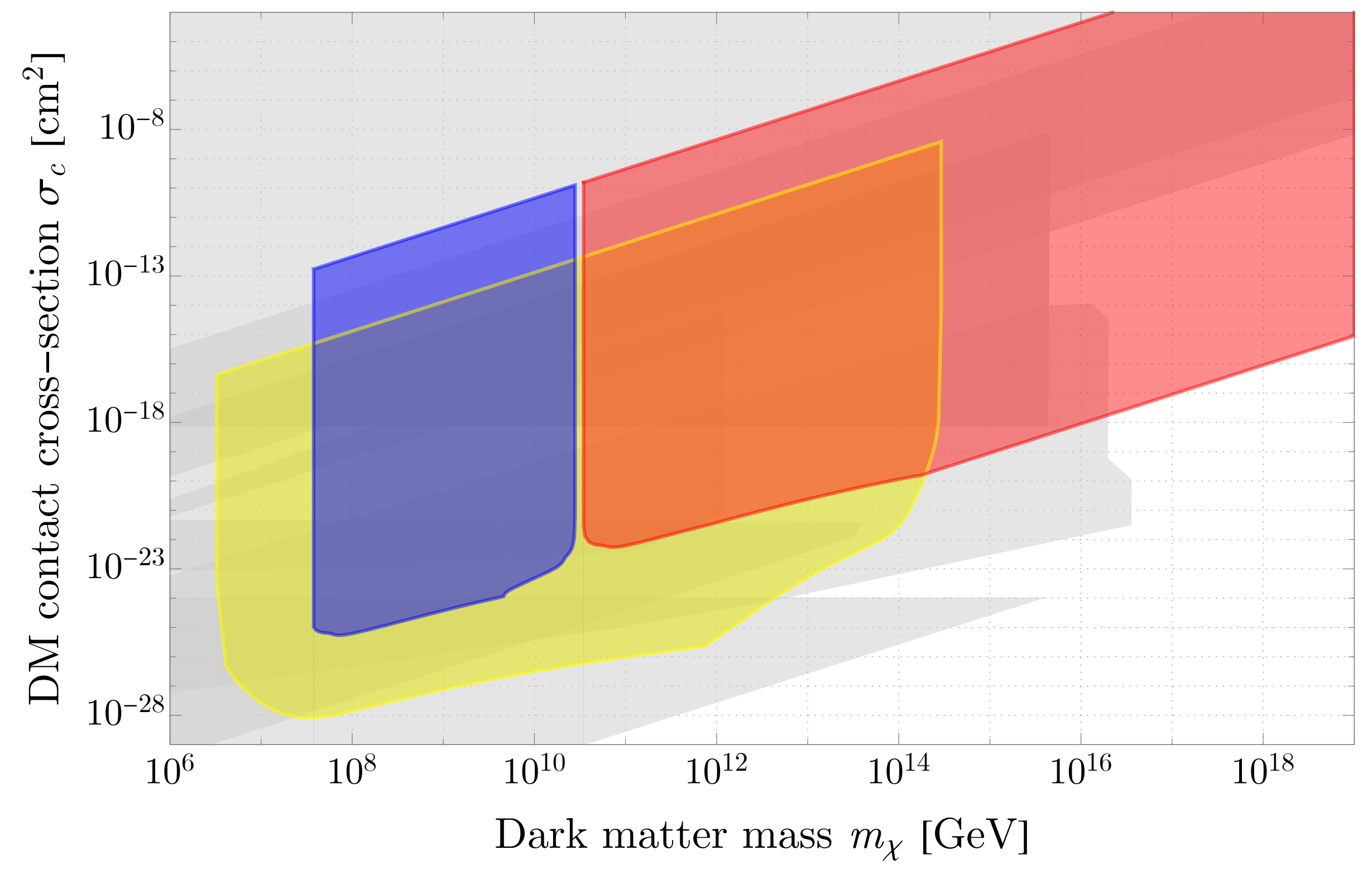
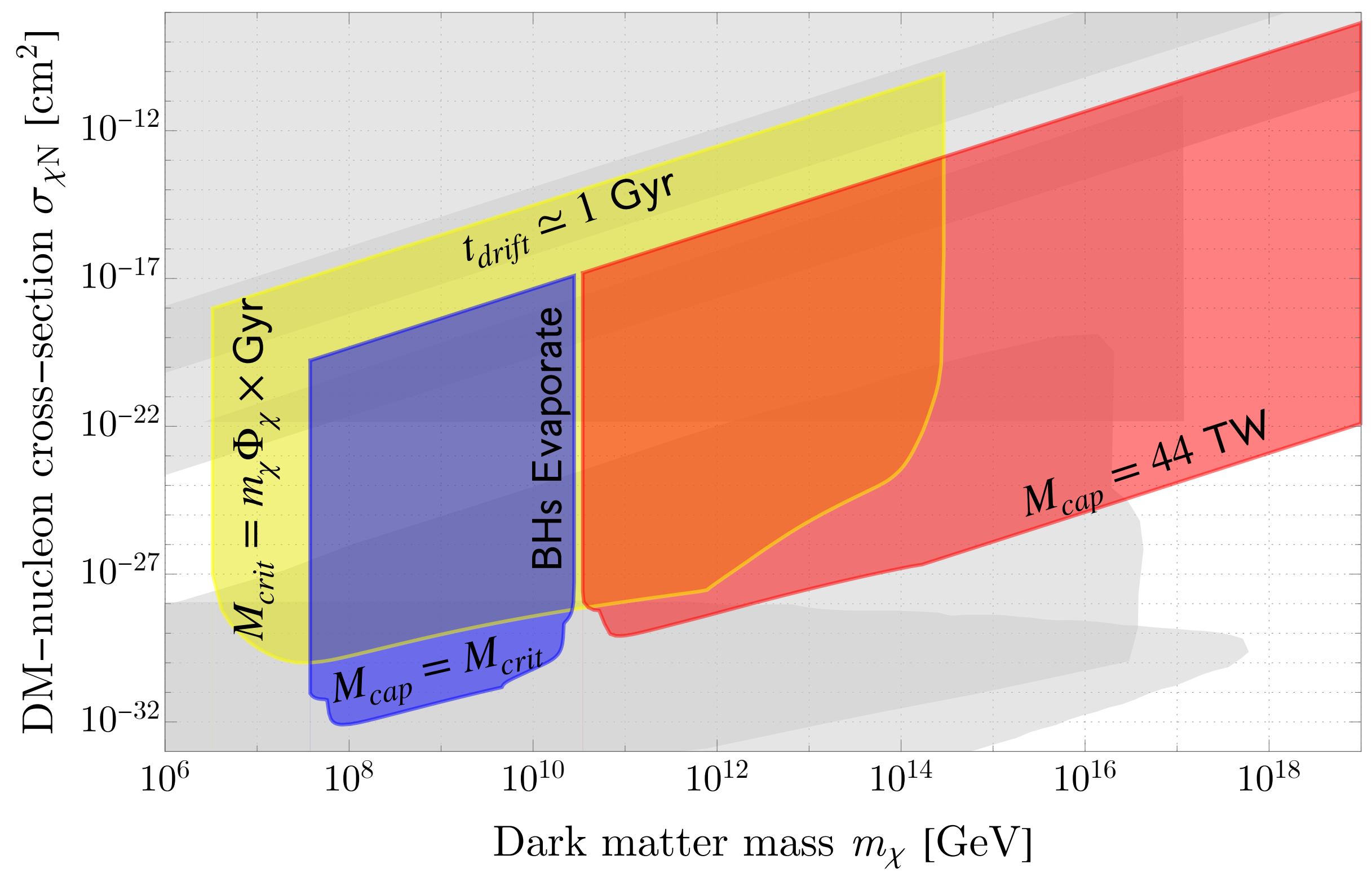
Sun destroyed



Earth destroyed



Earth heating



# Neutrinos From Black Holes in the Sun

## Signal

- Flavour universal

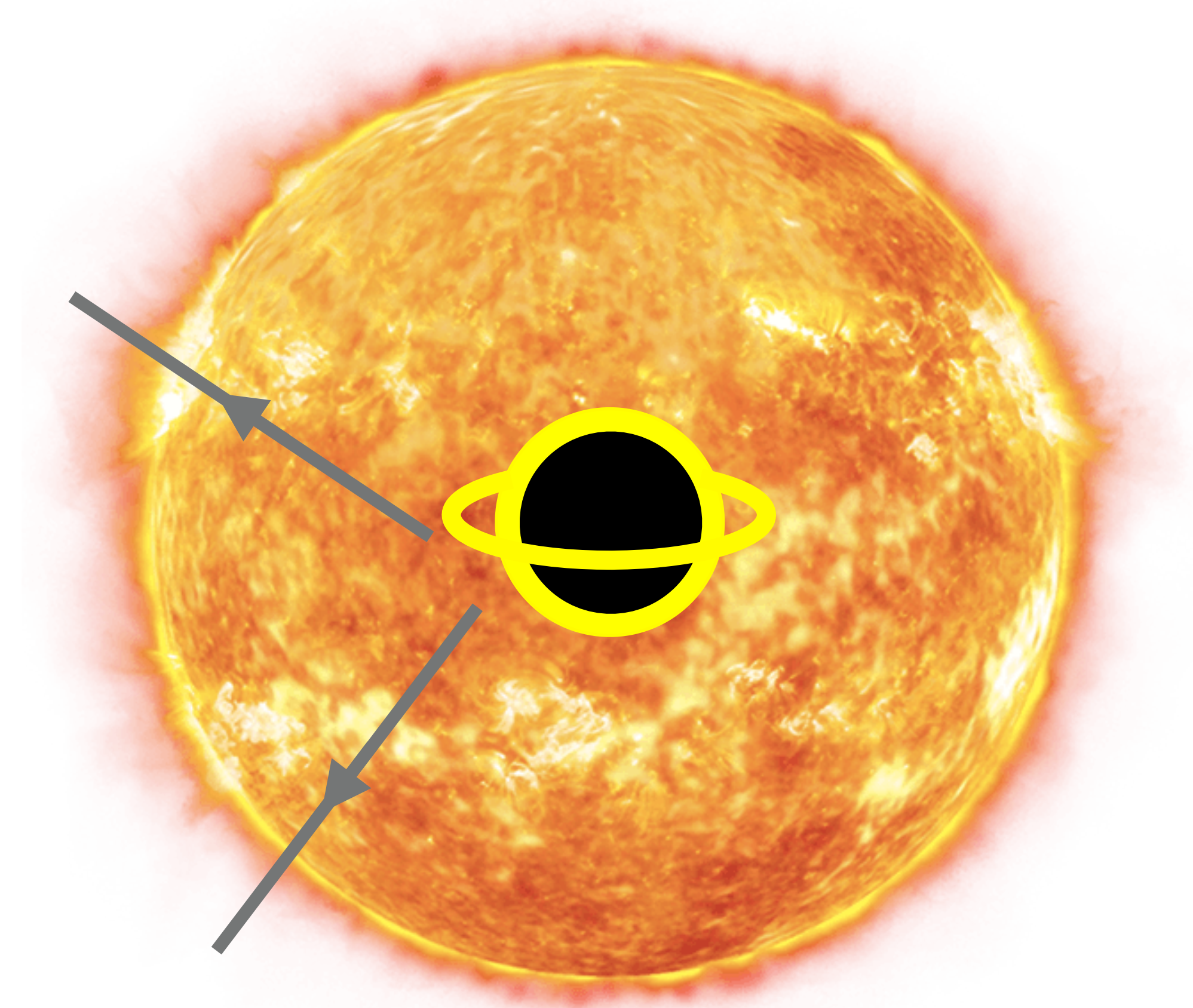
- Blackbody (with gray body factors)  $T = \frac{1}{8\pi GM_{BH}}$

- Transient, directional

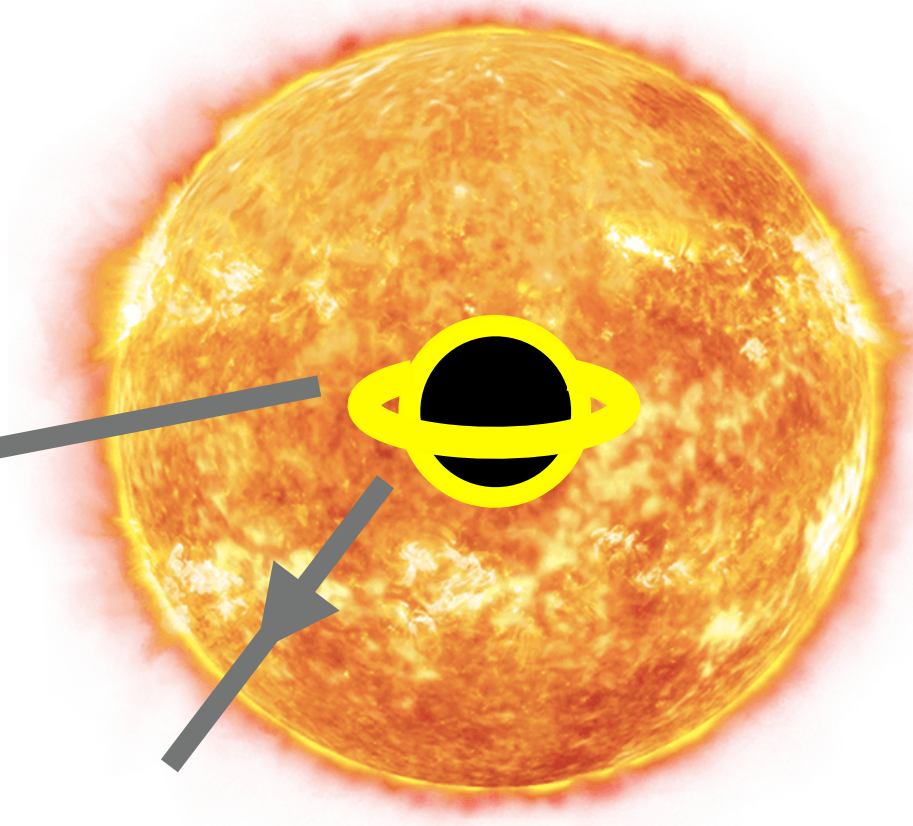
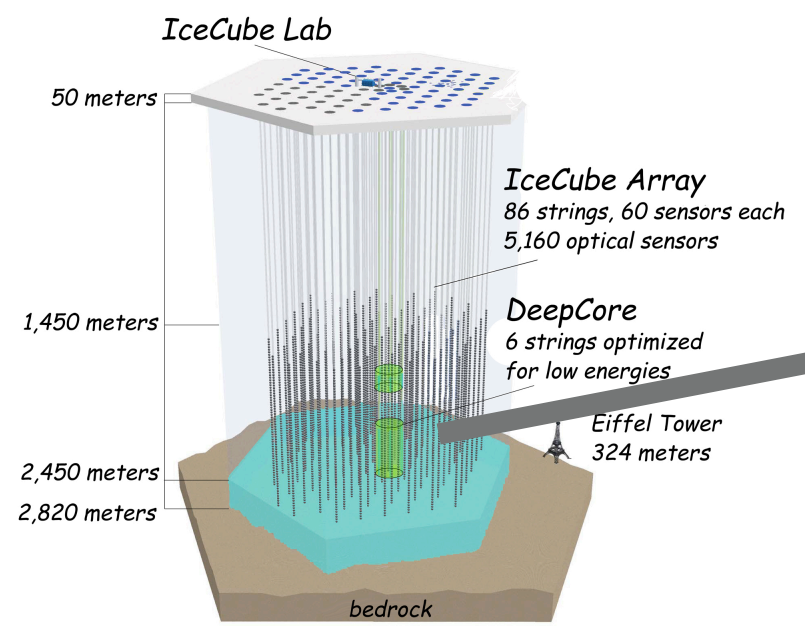
## Spectra

- Primary  $\nu_\alpha \bar{\nu}_\alpha$  pairs emitted at event horizon

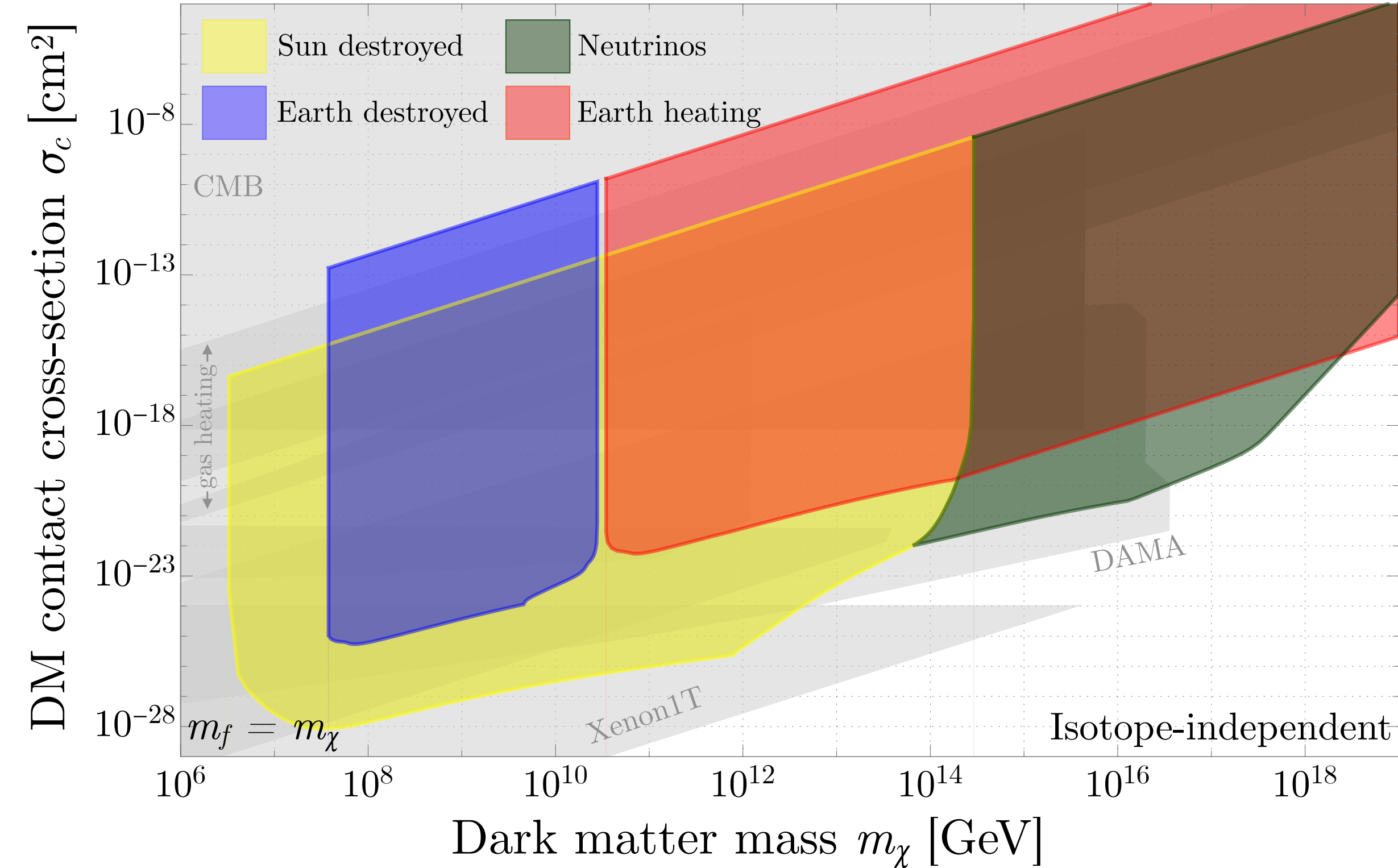
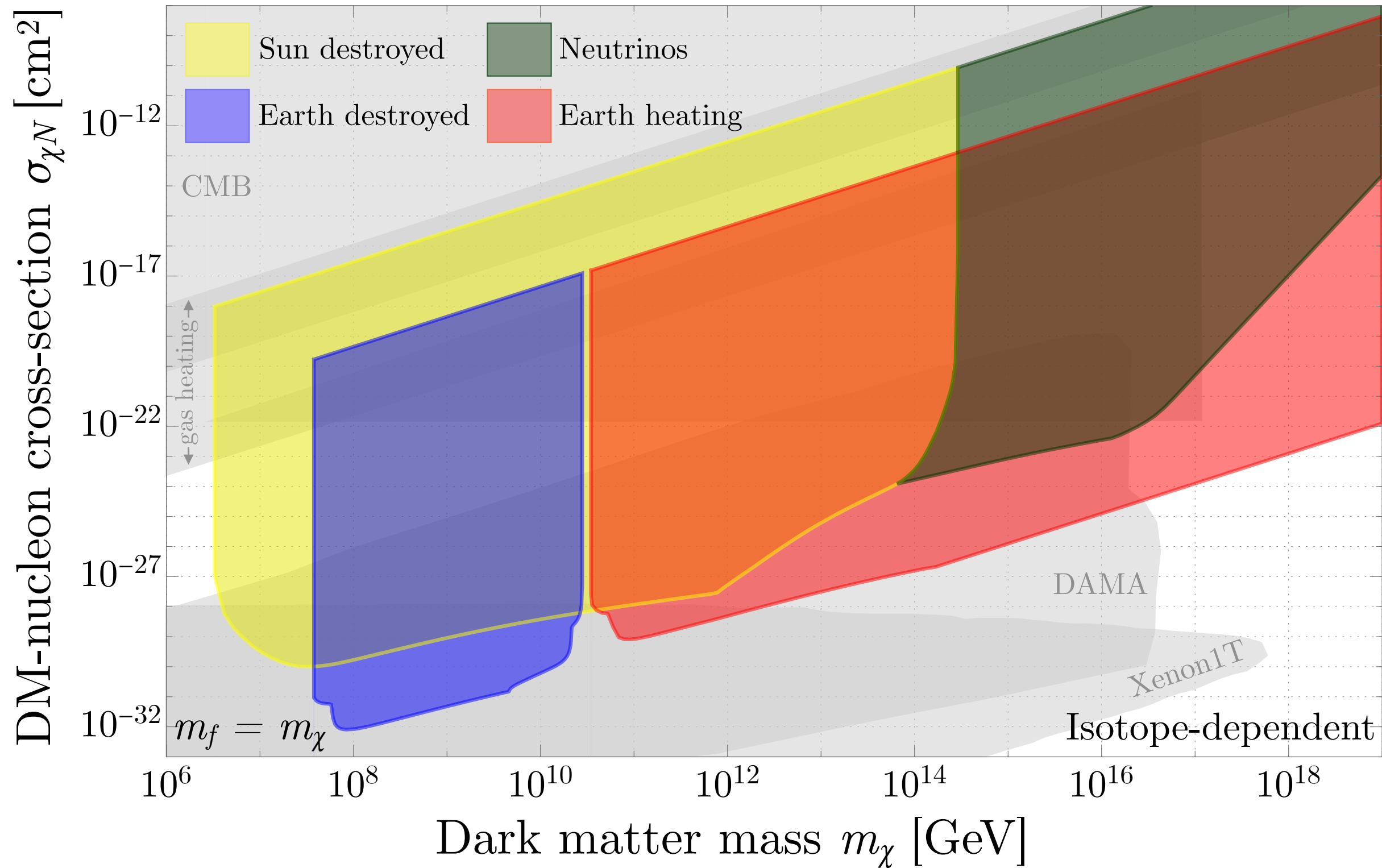
- Secondary decays



BlackHawk (Hawking radiation) + PYTHIA (hadronization) + nuSQuIDS (propagation)

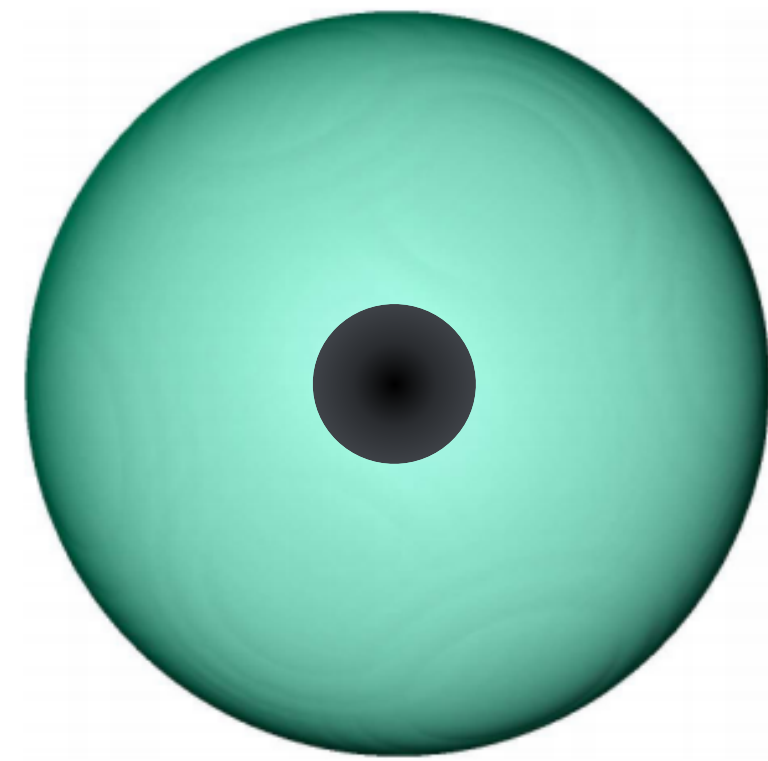


■ Neutrinos from BHs in sun



# Heavy Dark Matter Ignition of Type Ia Supernovae

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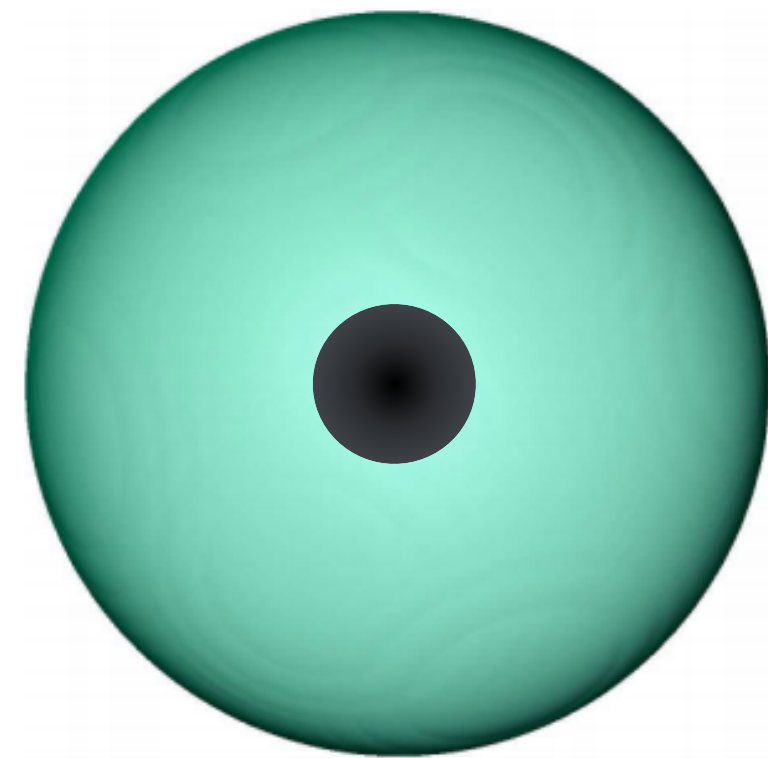
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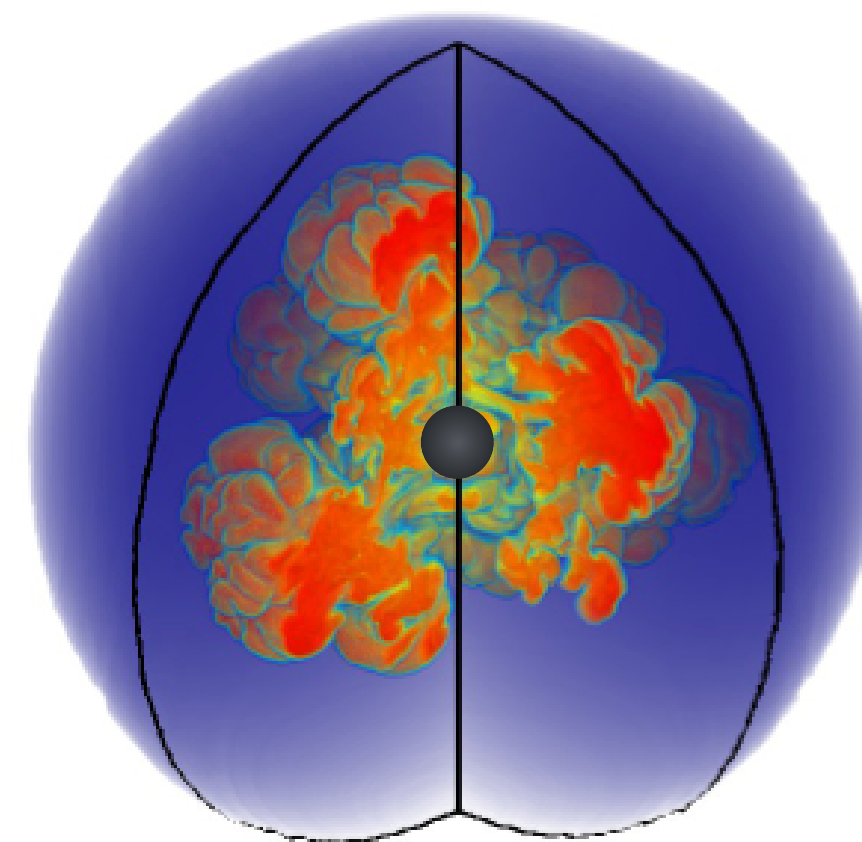
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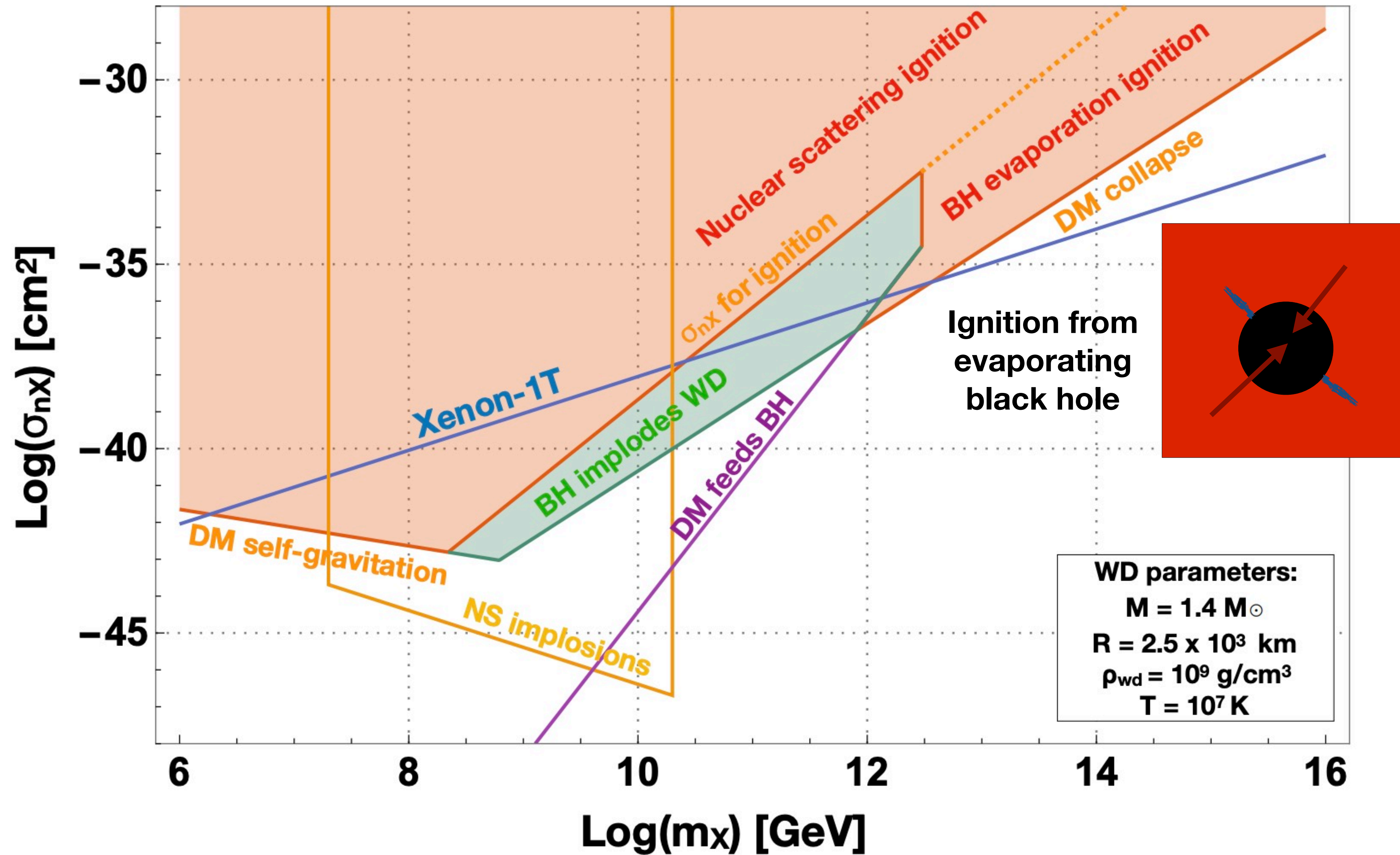
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DM collapses, shedding gravitational potential energy through **scattering**, igniting a SNIa.

# Bounds on dark matter from GAIA White Dwarf dataset

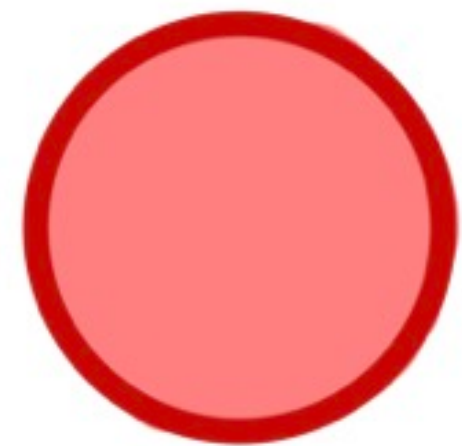


# Neutron stars: nature's dark matter accelerators

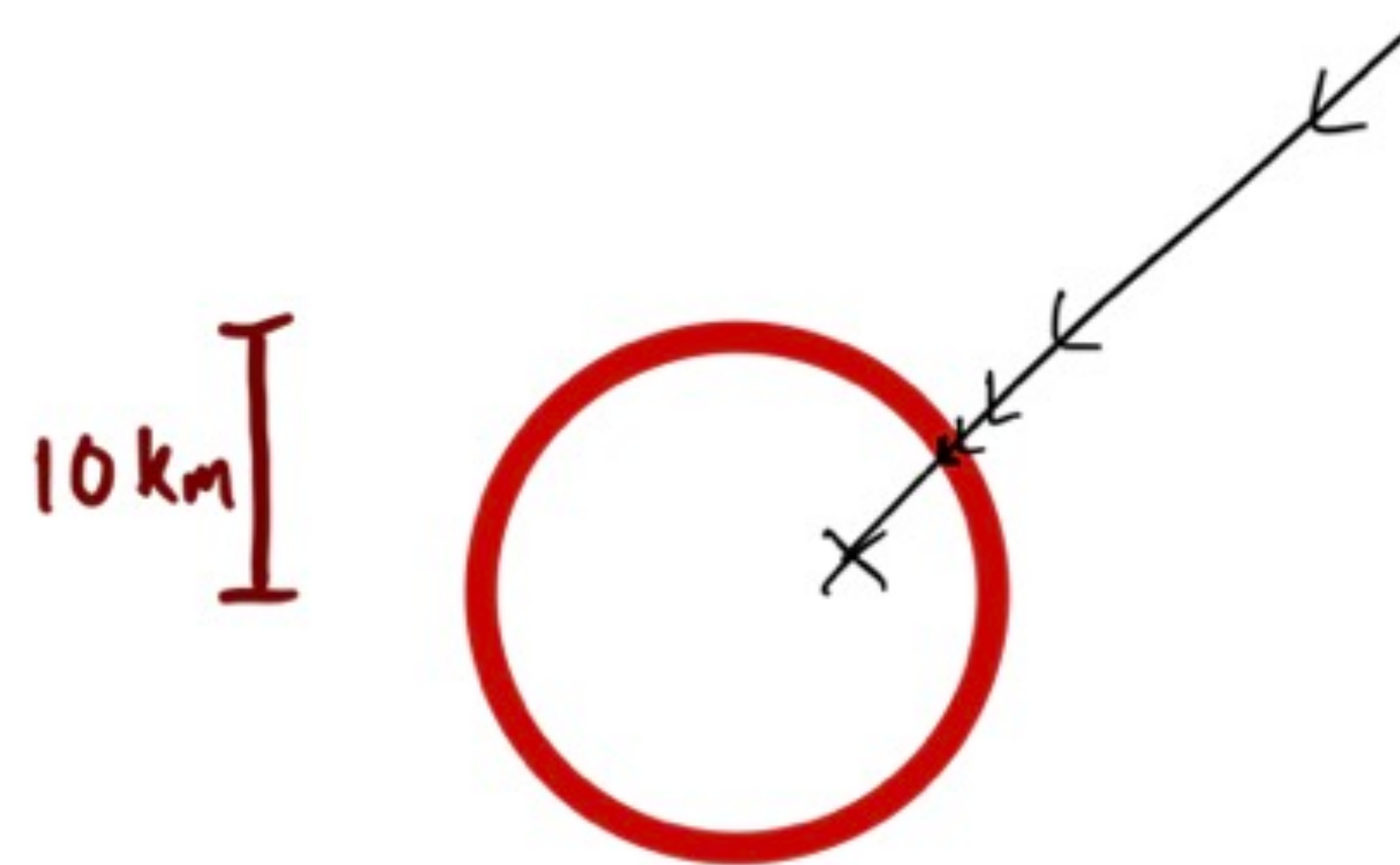
- Neutron stars accelerate dark matter to beyond freezeout speeds

$$v_{esc} = \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{R}} \sim 0.7c$$

- Dense, accept a large DM flux



- fiducial mass of  $\sim 10^{57}$  GeV
- neutrons:protons:electrons  $\sim 10:1:1$
- flux of  $\sim 100$  grams of DM/second





# Neutron stars: broad reach for particle dark matter

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1. EFT, Spin-Dependent, Spin-Independent, Strongly Interacting, Electroweakino, Inelastic
2. Leptophilic dark matter
3. Self-interacting dark matter
4. Heavy DM, baryon and lepton annihilating DM, compressed WIMPs, co-annihilating DM
5. Winos, Higgsinos, Precision Capture, Pasta Capture
6. Muonphilic
7. Asymmetric (converts NSs into black holes)

Kouvaris 2007

Bertone, Fairbairn 2007

JB Delgado, Martin 2017

Baryakhtar, JB, Li, Linden, Raj 2017

Raj, Tanedo, Yu 2017

Acevedo, JB, Leane, Raj 2019

Bell, Busoni, Robles 2019

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Chen, Lin 2018

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Hamaguchi, Nagata, Yanagi 2019

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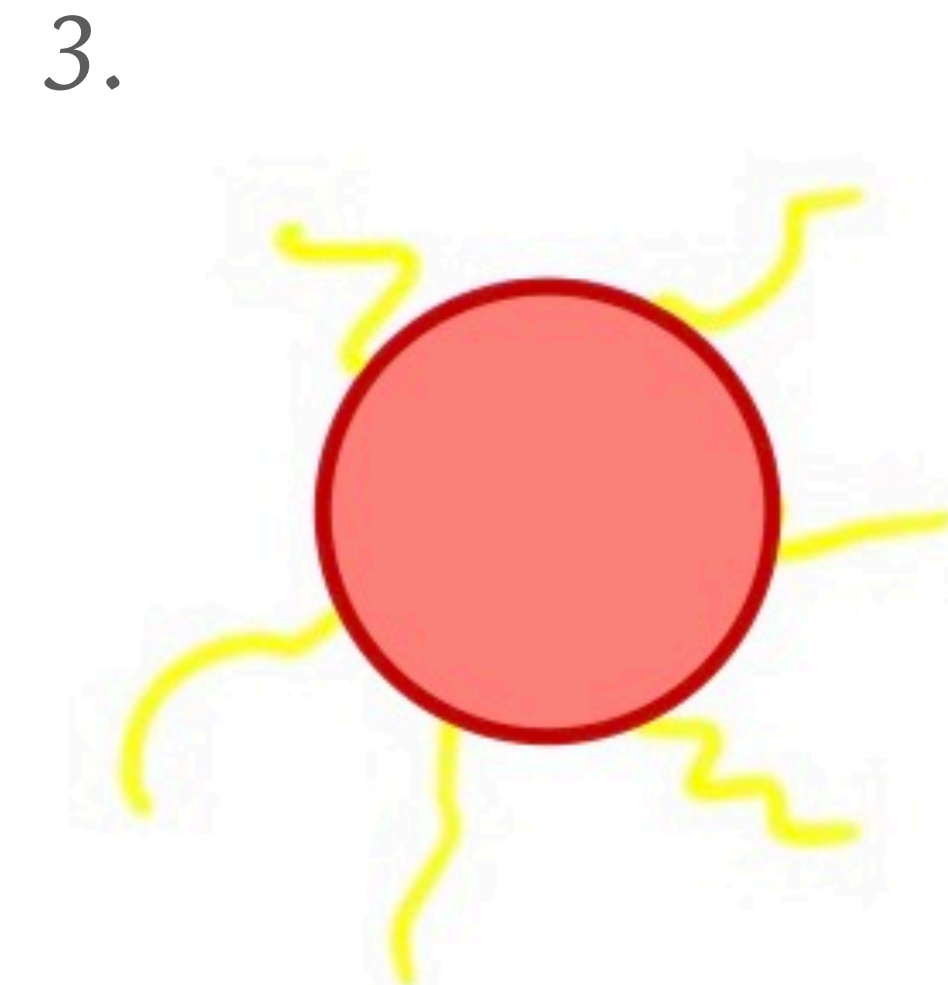
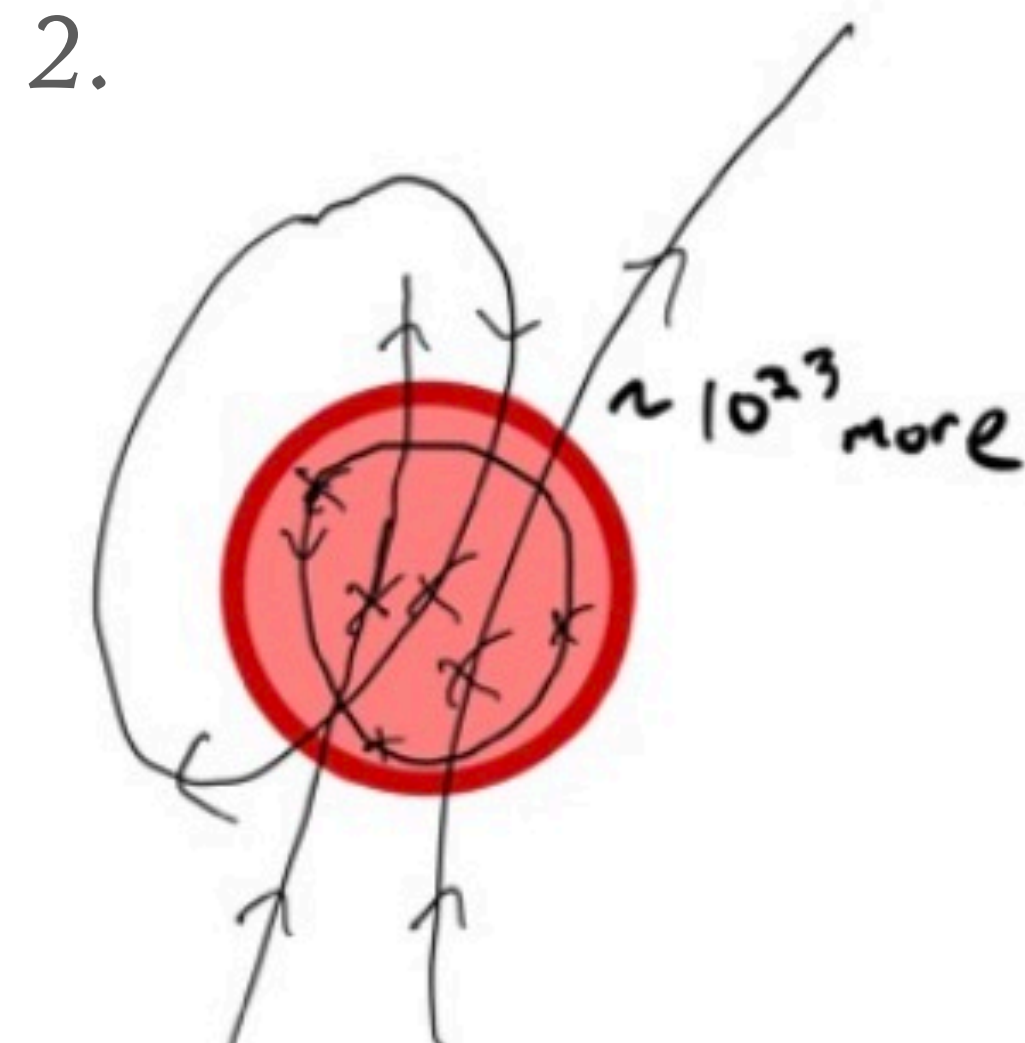
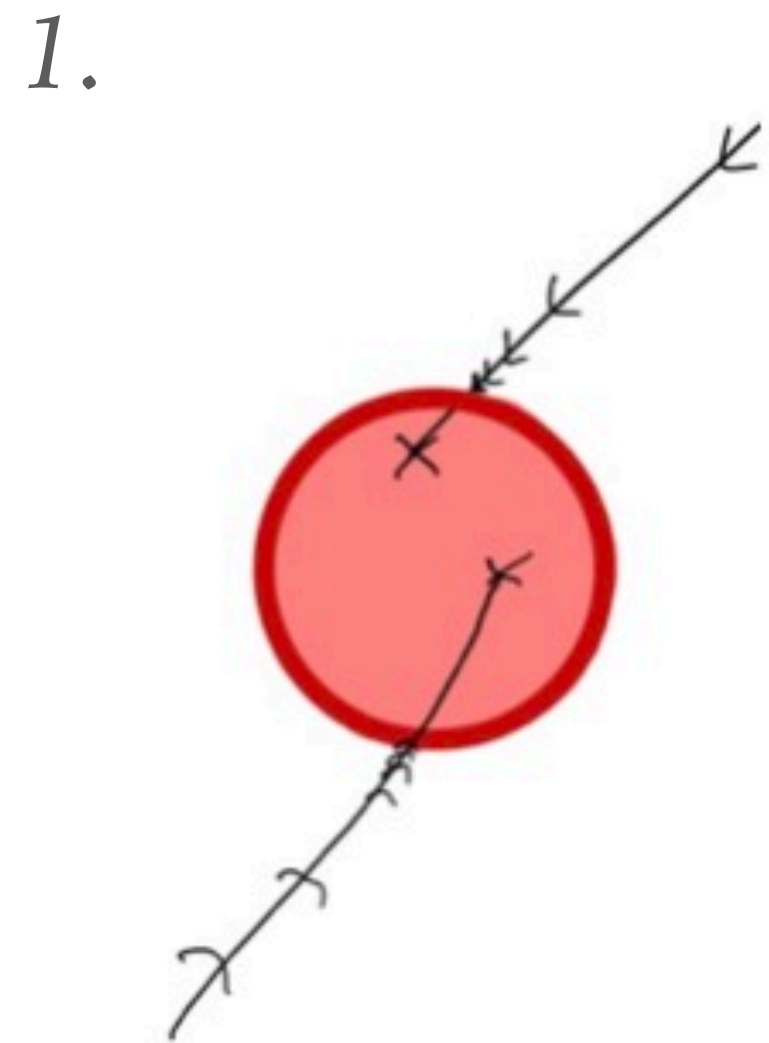
JB, Elahi 2015

(more...)

# Dark matter kinetic and annihilation heating of neutron stars

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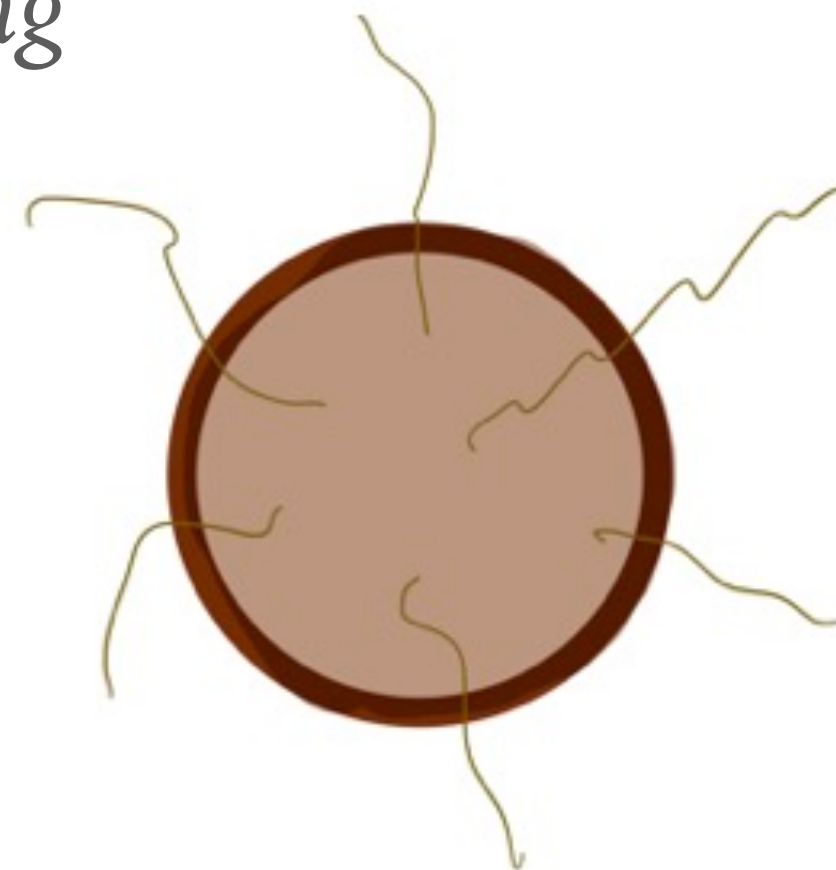
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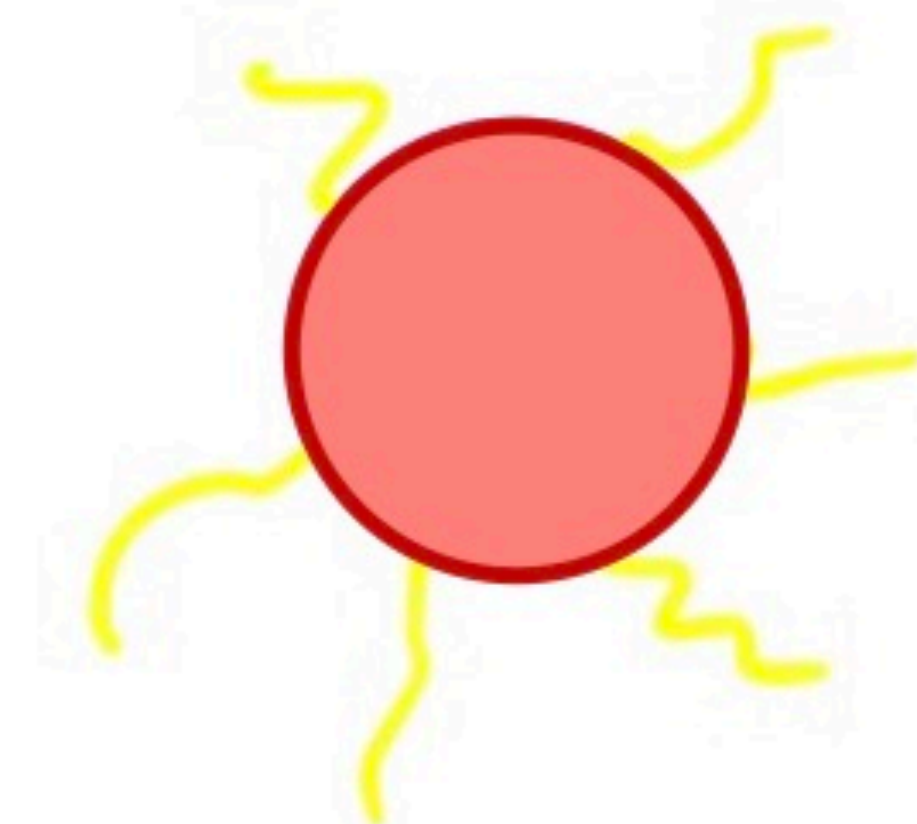
0. Compare to NS without DM heating

$$T_{eff}^{\infty} \sim 100 \text{ K} \left( \frac{\text{Gyr}}{t} \right)^{1/2}$$



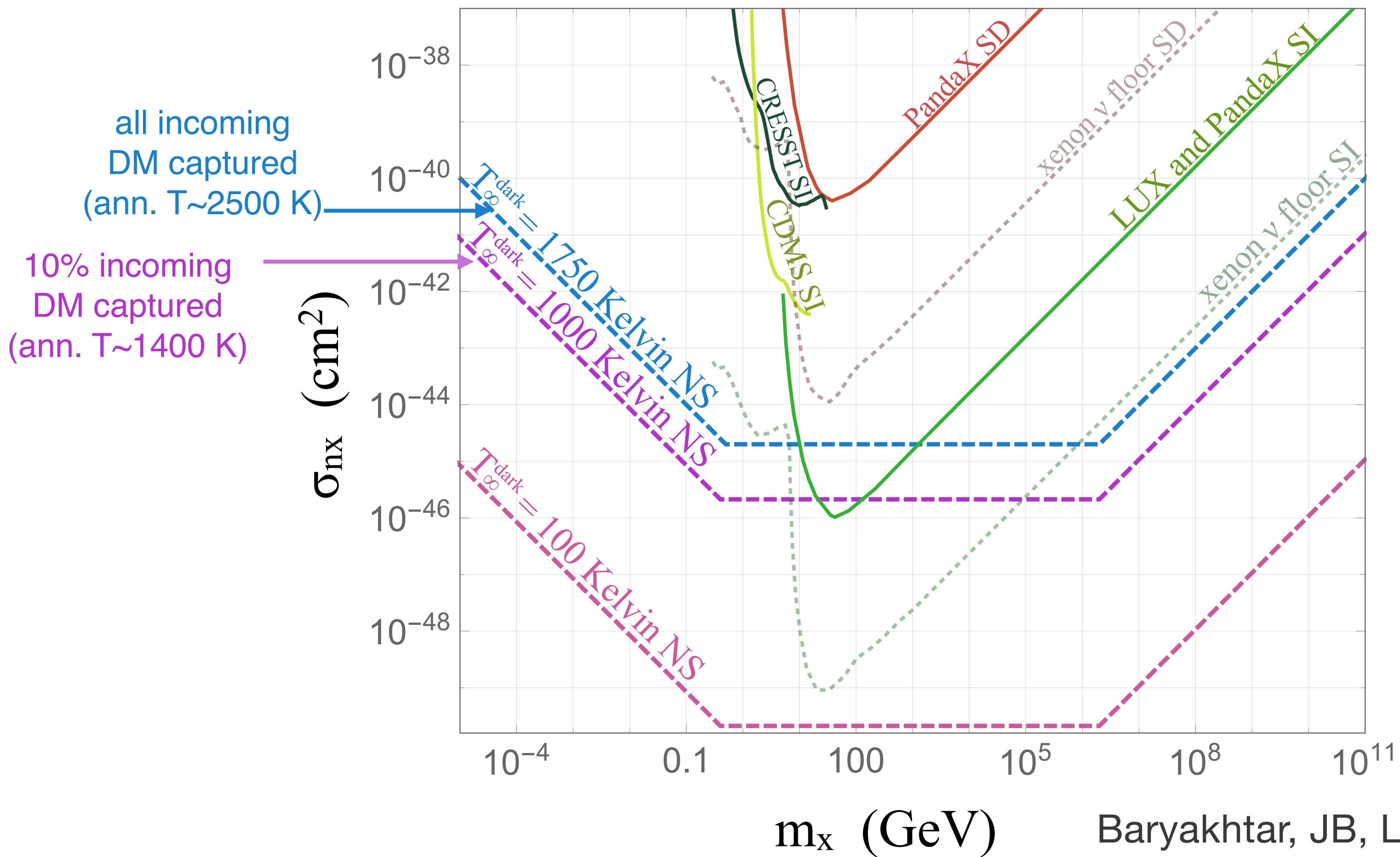
e.g. Yakovlev Pethick *astro-ph/0402143*  
Page Lattimer et al. *astro-ph/0403657*

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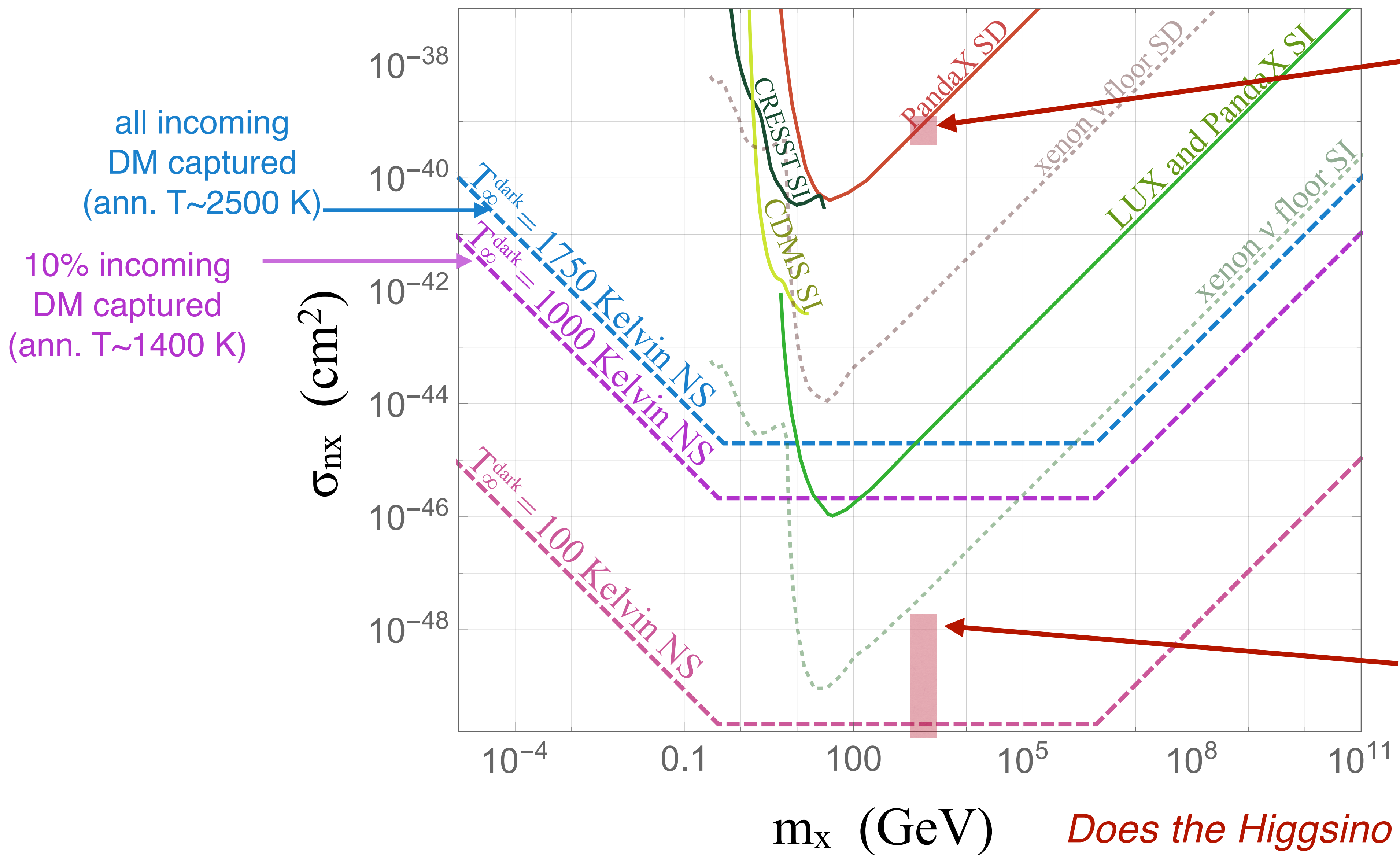


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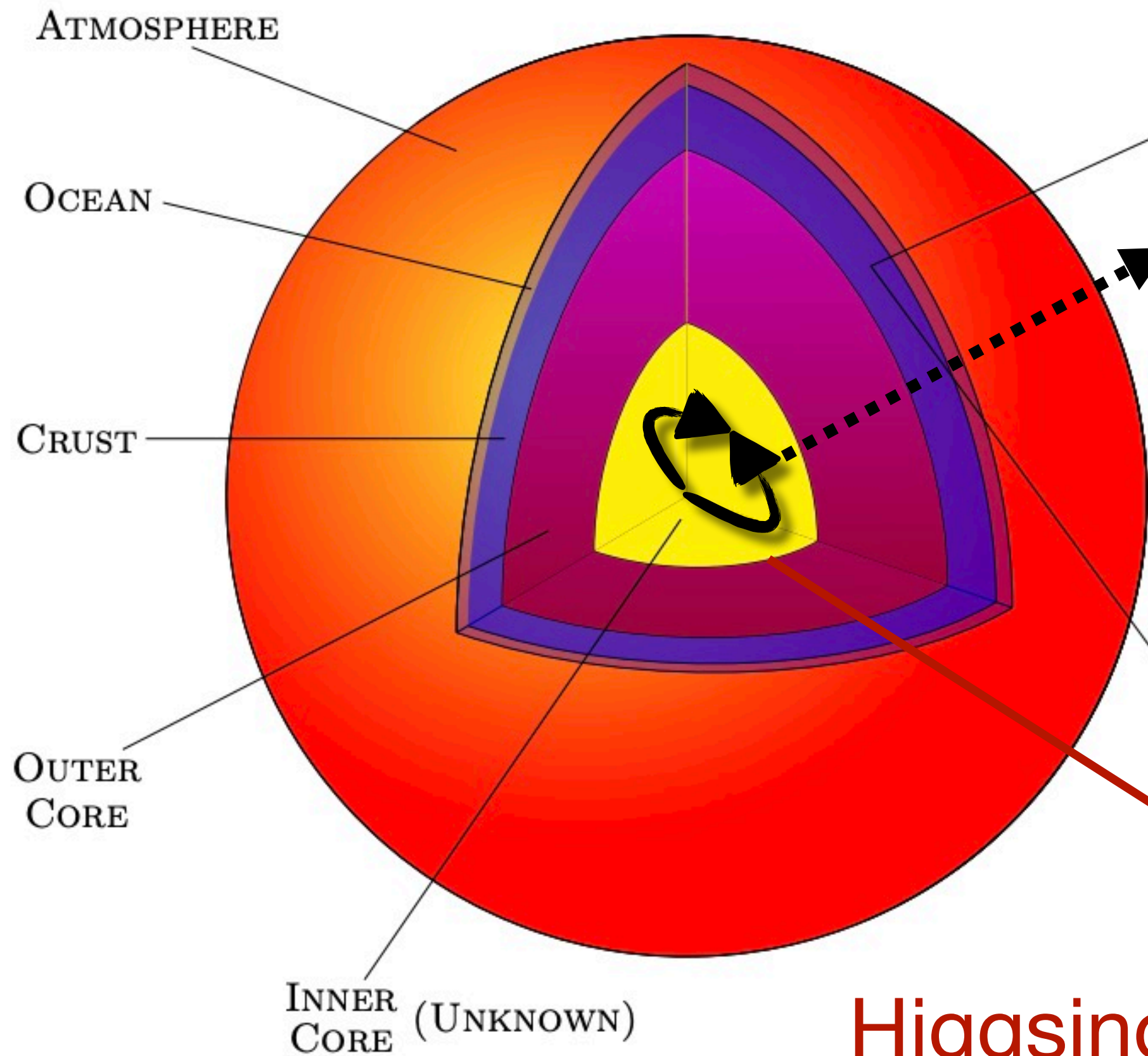
Higgsino DM in a NS, 0.7c



Higgsino DM at 0.001c

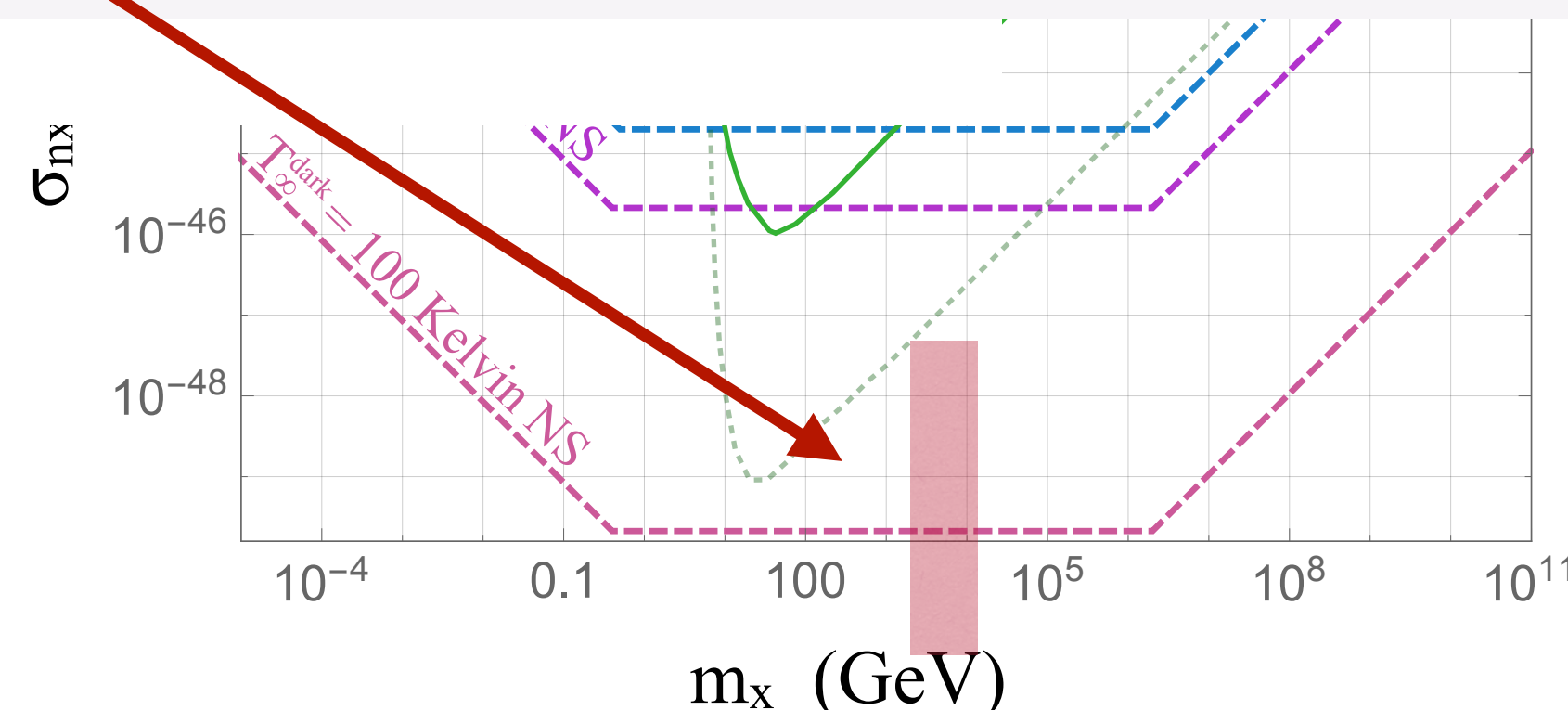
*Does the Higgsino annihilate in a NS?*

# Neutron Star Pasta Cooker: Higgsinos (and WIMPS) annihilate in NS

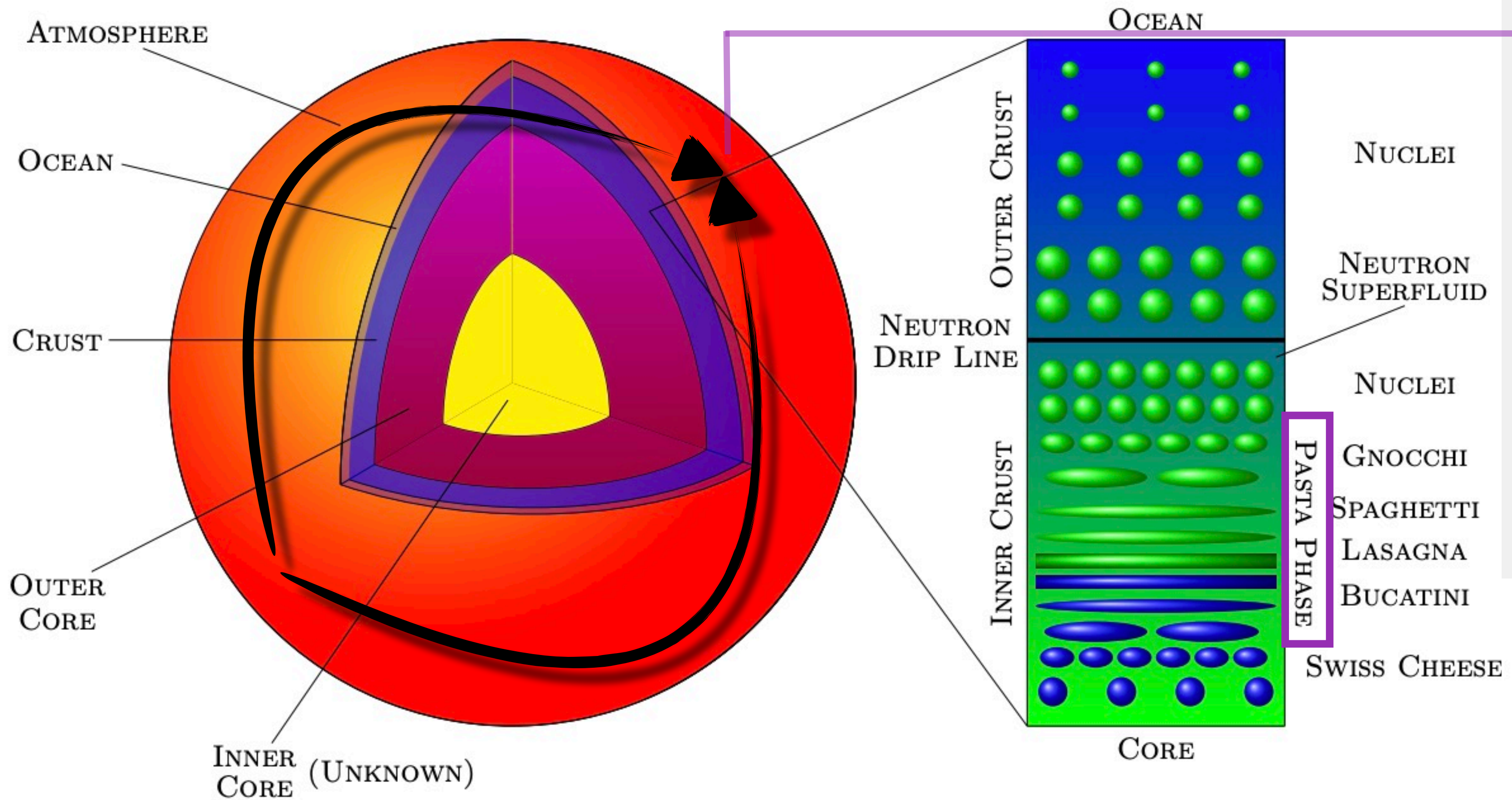


- ▶ Standard NS heating calculation uses DM annihilation at low velocities, settling in NS core
- ▶ DM-neutron cross-section is unbounded for DM that settles into NS core because of accidental loop-level nucleon coupling cancellation and pdf uncertainties
- ▶ The timescale for DM settling in NS core can't be computed without ( $v \ll c$ ) cross-section

Higgsino DM  
at  $v \ll c$



# Neutron Star Pasta Cooker: Higgsinos (and WIMPS) annihilate in NS



➤ Solution: annihilation in “pasta” region as limiting case

$$\tau_{eq} \propto R_{ann}^{(3-2\ell)/2}$$

➤ DM annihilates at  $\sim 0.1c$  much like in the early universe

➤ keV-PeV mass WIMPs annihilate, for s-wave ( $l=0$ ), p-wave ( $l=1$ ),  $\langle \sigma_a v \rangle = 3 \times 10^{-26} \frac{\text{cm}^3}{\text{s}}$ , with

$$\tau_{eq} \lesssim 10^4 \text{ yrs} \left( \frac{m_x}{\text{TeV}} \right)^{1/2}$$

Where  $\tau_{eq}$  is the time for annihilation-capture equilibrium

# Looking for Higgsinos with 30+ meter telescopes

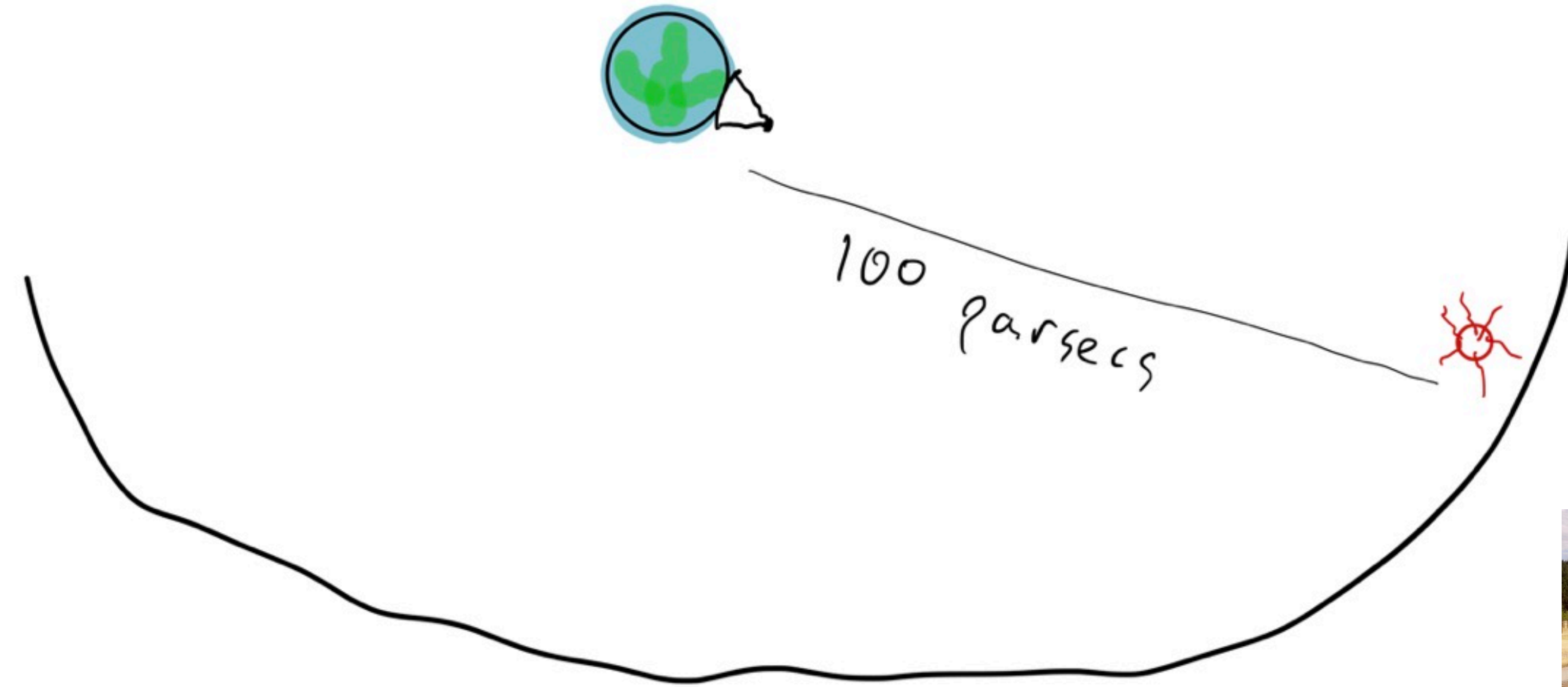
## ELT 2σ sensitivity estimates

annihilation of WIMPs, Higgsinos

$$t \sim 3 \times 10^6 \text{ sec} \left( \frac{d}{100 \text{ pc}} \right)^4 \quad (\text{Y band})$$

kinetic only

$$t \sim 10^6 \text{ sec} \left( \frac{d}{30 \text{ pc}} \right)^4 \quad (\text{K band})$$



## Radio observations of nearby pulsars

	<u>d (pc)</u>	<u>period (s)</u>
J1057-5226	90	0.19
J0736-6304	95	4.86
J0834-60	100	0.38
J0711-6830	110	0.005
J0749-68	110	0.91
J0924-5814	110	0.71

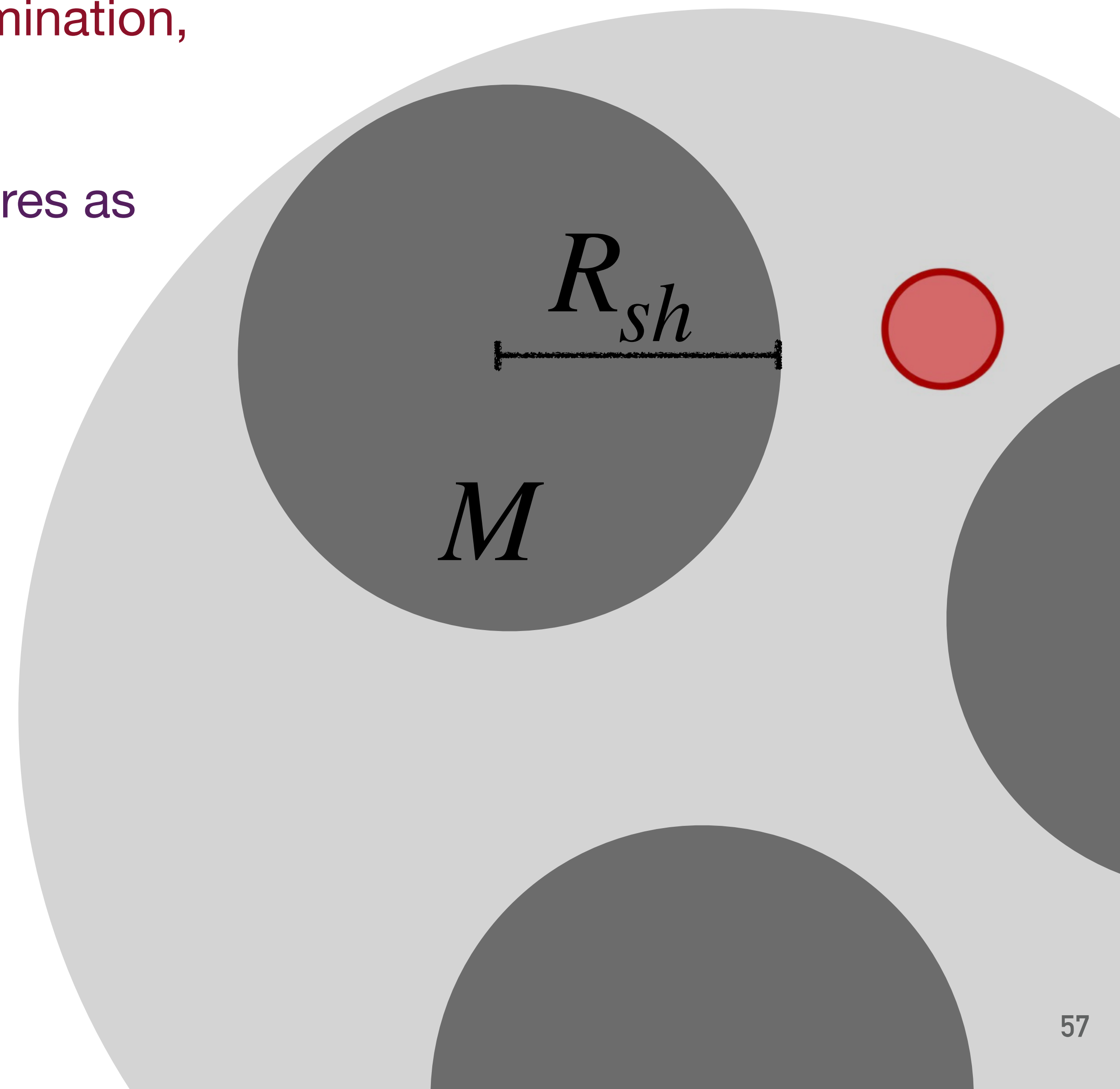
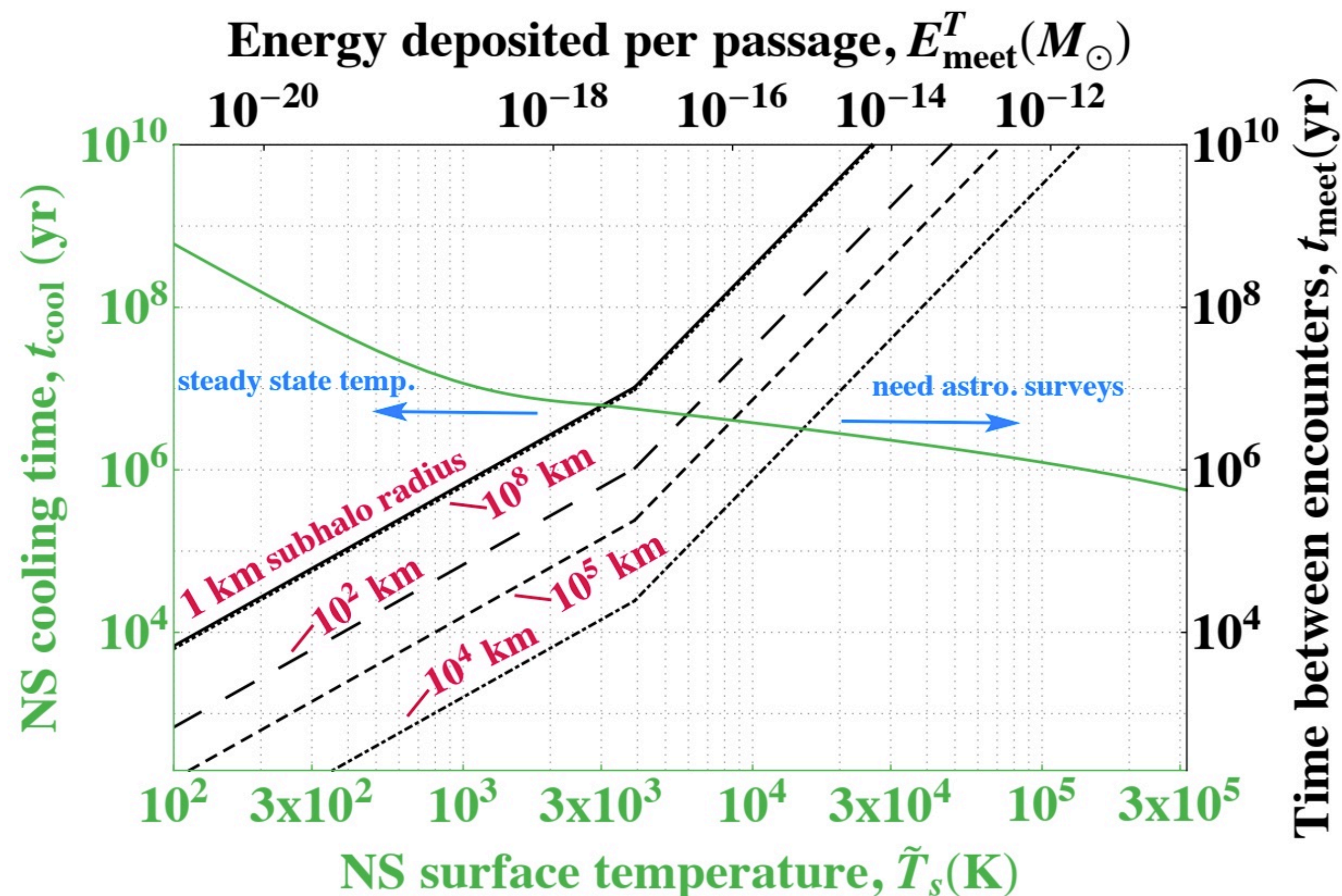
*-YMW16 dispersion measure distances*



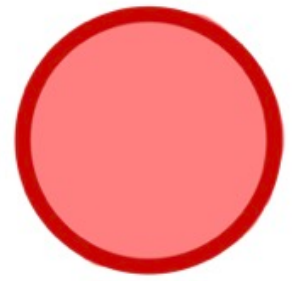
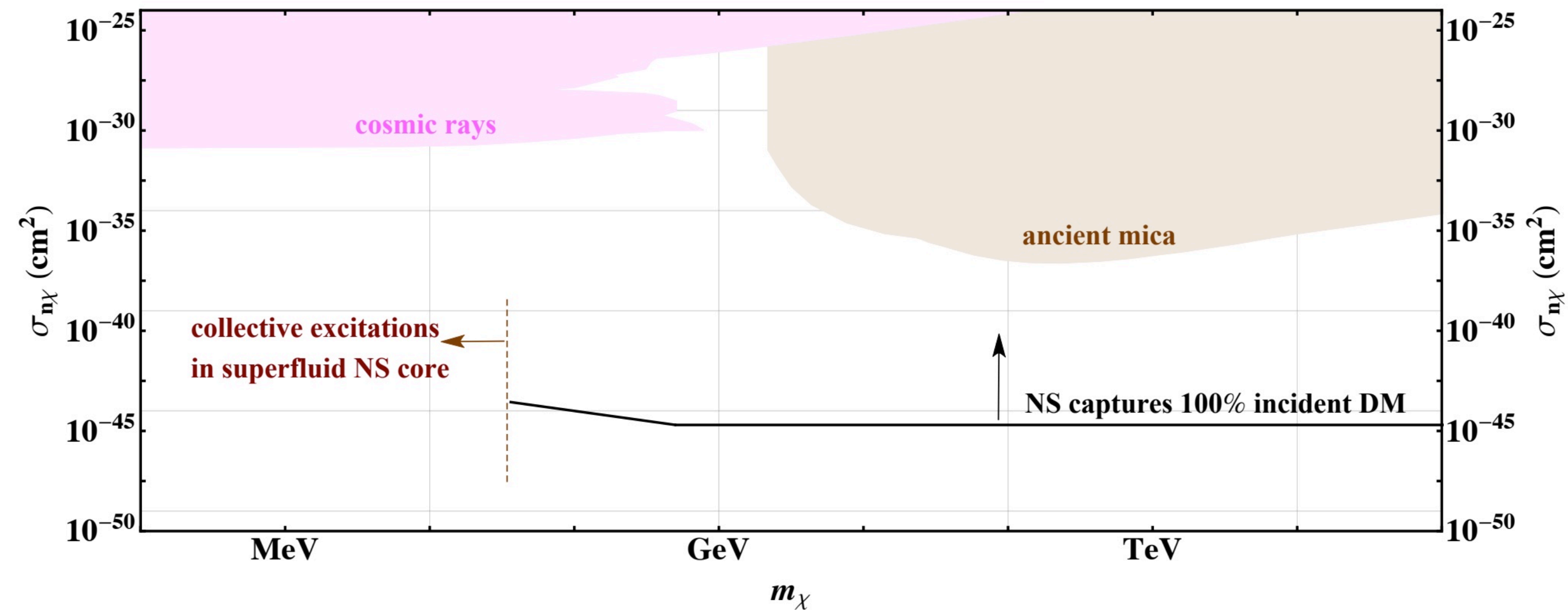
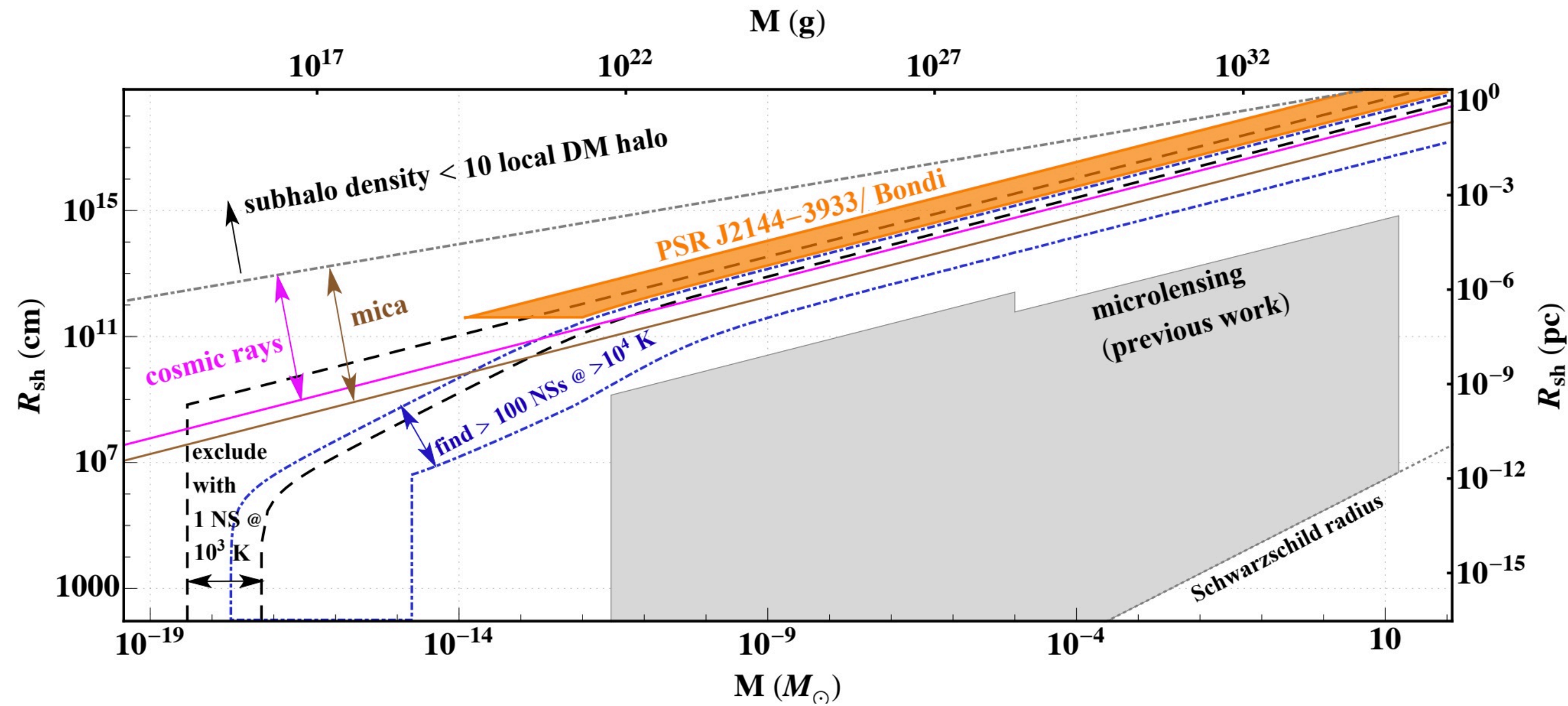
# What about dark matter in subhalos?

JB, Kavanagh, Raj 2109.04582

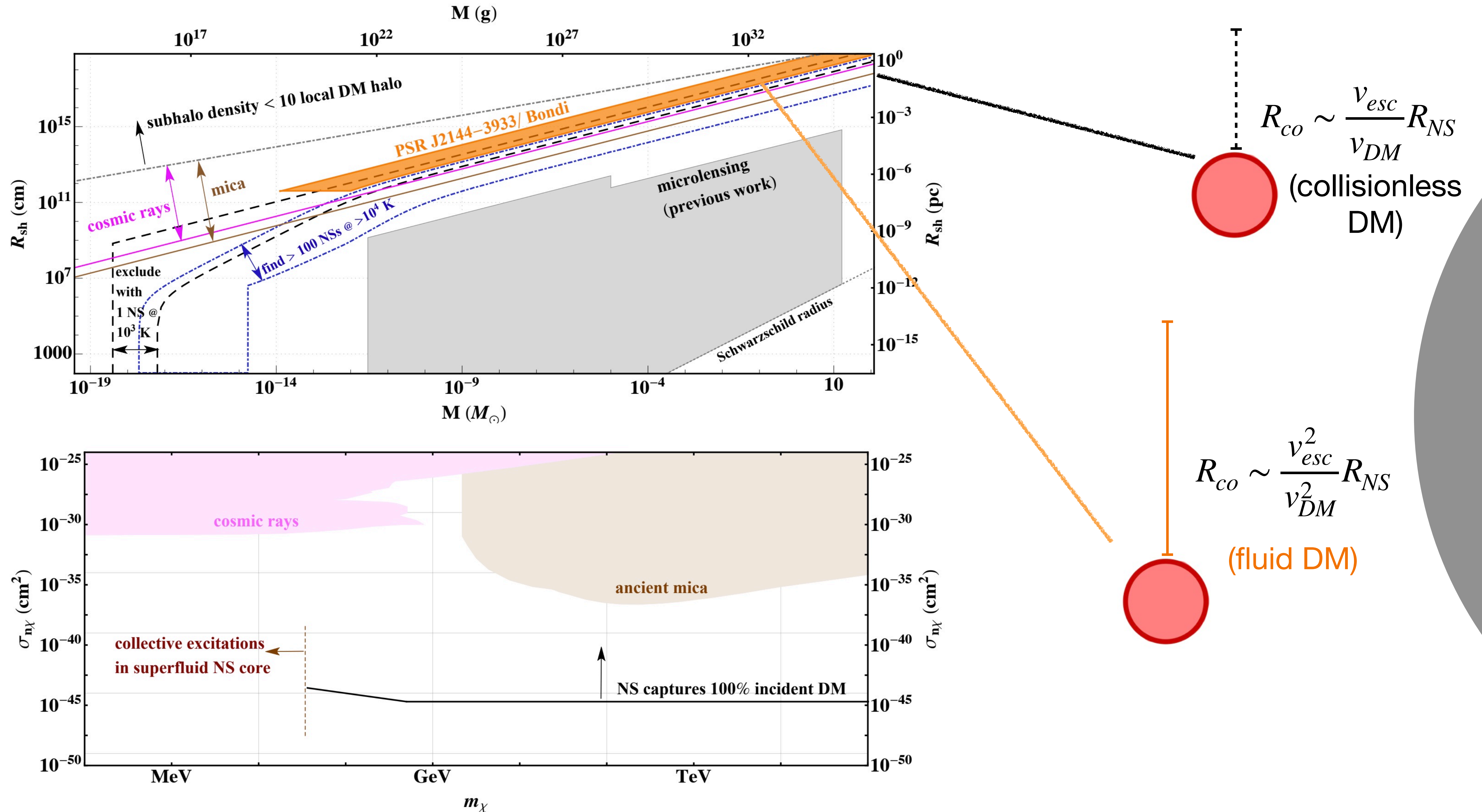
- Subhalo dark matter arises from early matter domination, dissipative dark matter, extra small scale power
- Neutron stars could be heated to high temperatures as they pass through subhalos, dense with DM



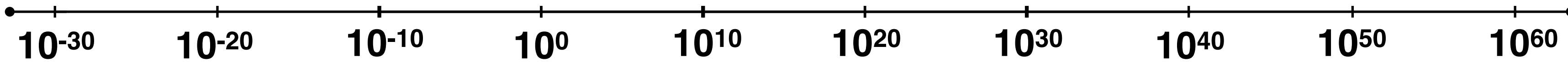
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# Dark Matter at the High Mass Frontier

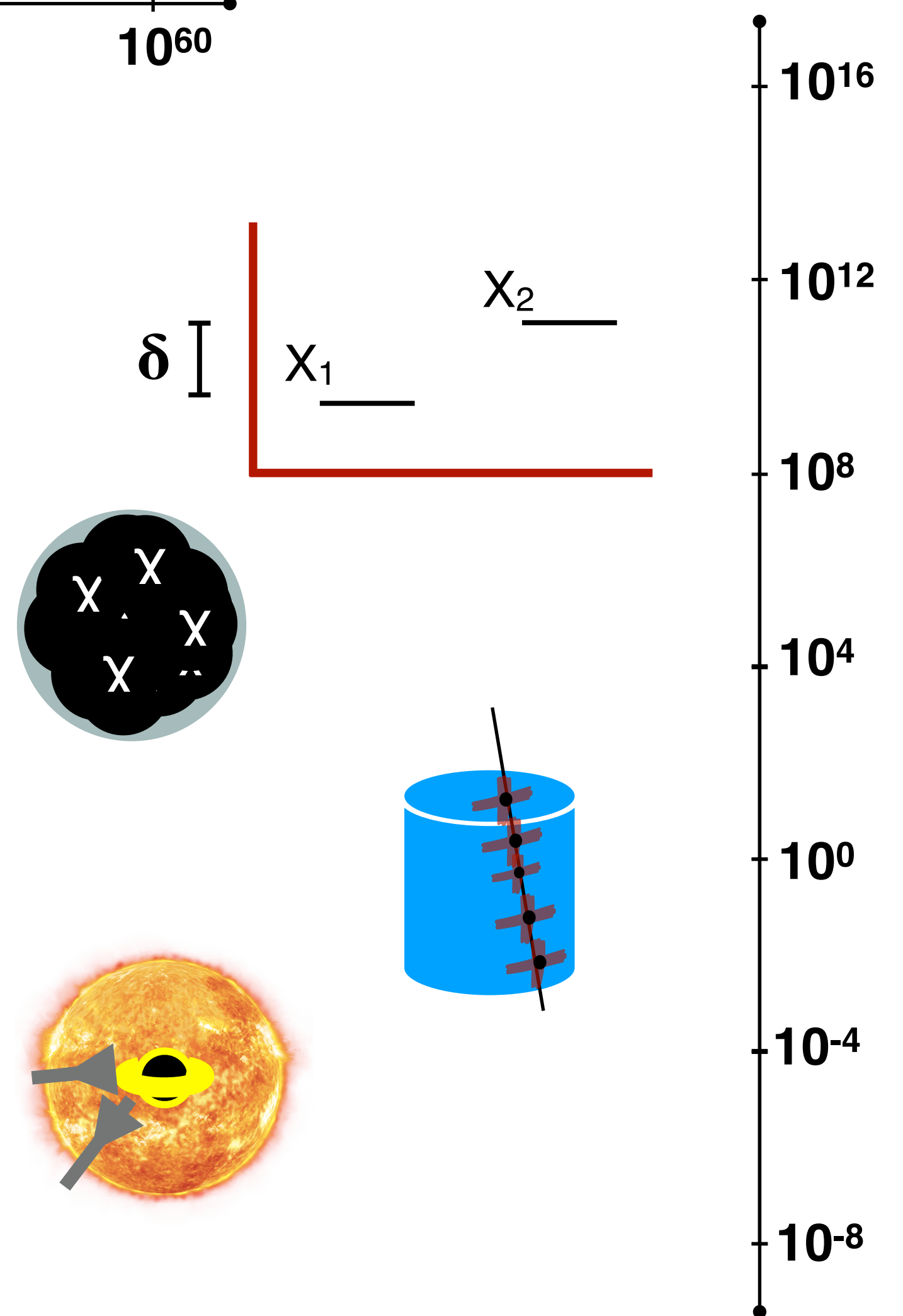


◆ Higgsino dark matter at high recoil and in neutron stars

◆ DM composite formation, Migdal, multi scatter detection

◆ Dark matter forming black holes in the Sun and Earth

◆ Thermal neutron star searches for (sub halo) dark matter

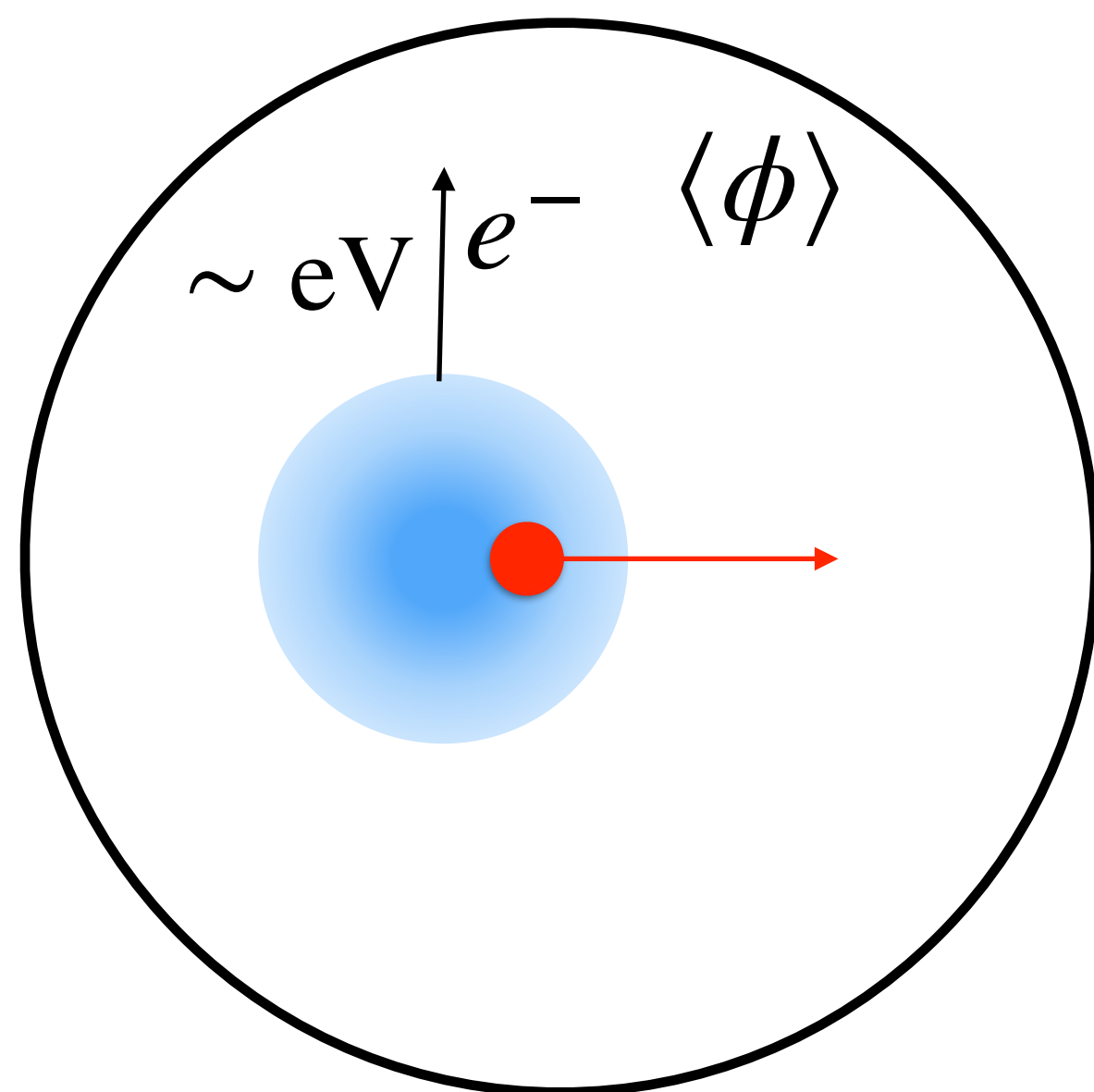
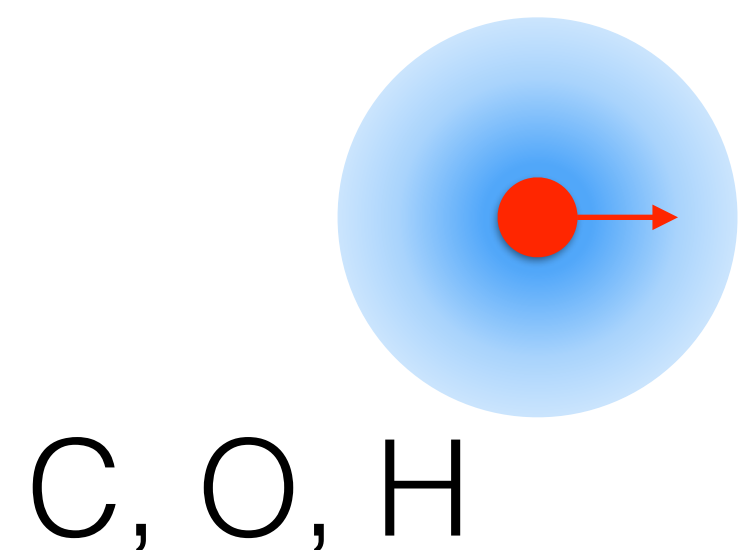


Thanks!

1) Ionization

$$R_X m_\phi \gg 1$$

**Migdal effect**

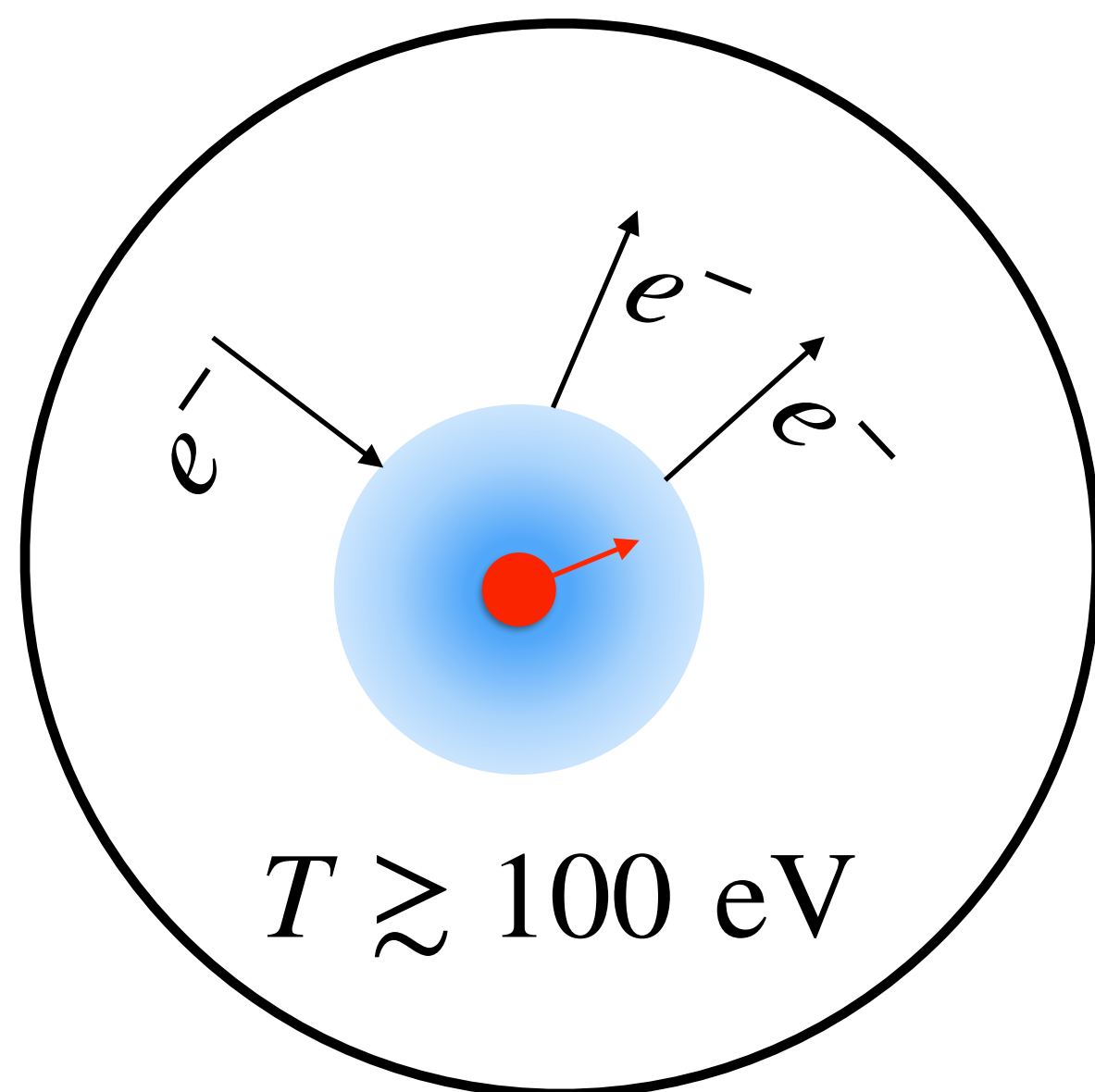


acceleration timescale:

$$\tau_{accel} \simeq (m_\phi v_X)^{-1} \left( 1 + \frac{2V_n}{m_N v_X^2} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \lesssim 10^{-18} \text{ s} \left( \frac{10 \text{ keV}}{m_\phi} \right)$$

electrons are unbound w/ prob  $f_e \gtrsim 10^{-2}$

**Collisional ionization**



ionization from  $e^-$  impacts:

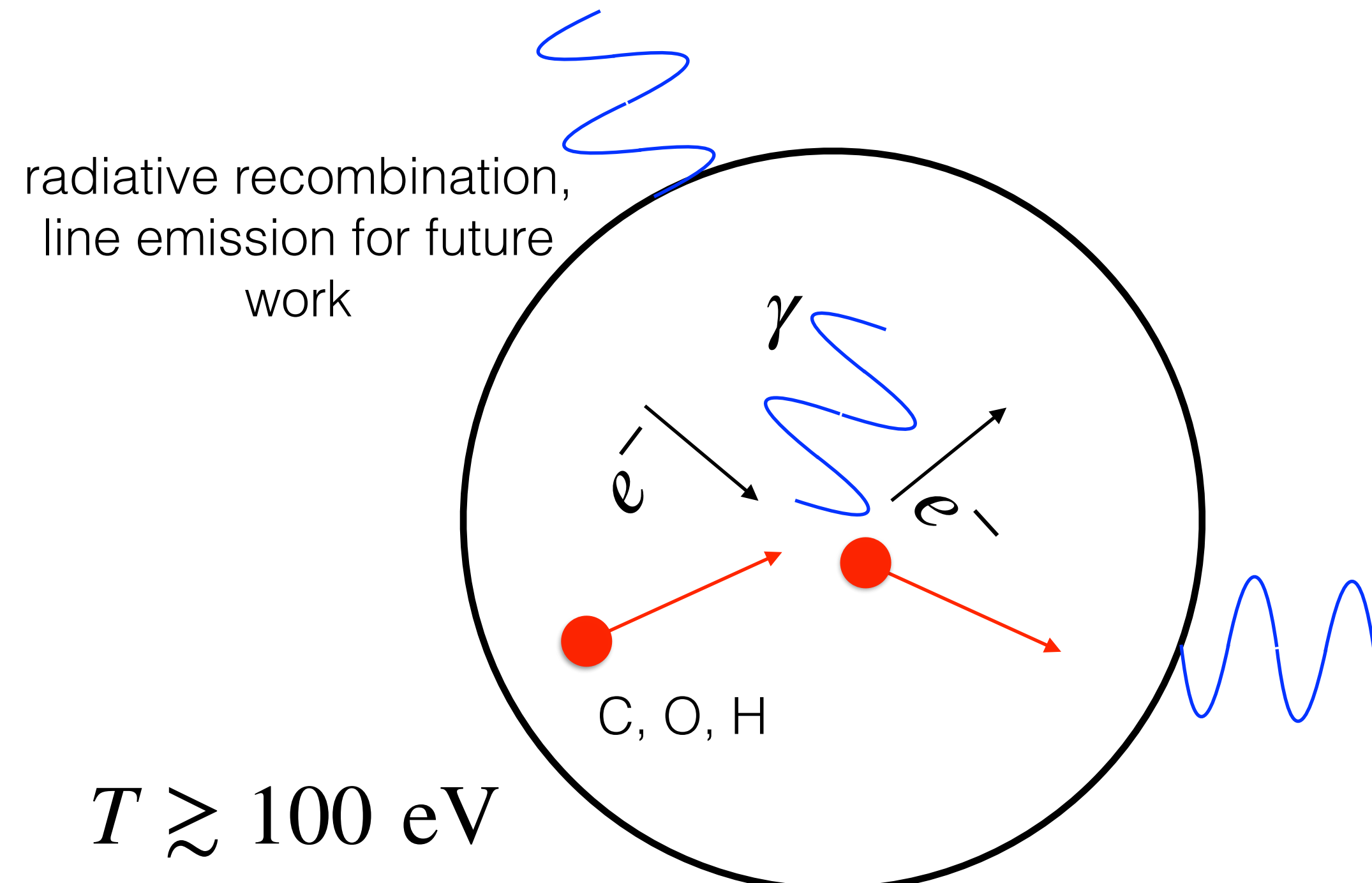
$$(f_e n_e v_N \sigma_i)^{-1} \lesssim 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

$$n_e \sim 10^{23} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\sigma_i \gtrsim 10^{-17} \text{ cm}^2$$

$T \gtrsim 100 \text{ eV}$  ionized composite interior

## 2) Bremsstrahlung



$$T \gtrsim 100 \text{ eV}$$

photon mfp:

$$(n_e \sigma_T)^{-1} \simeq 5 \text{ cm} \gg R_X$$

$$\sigma_T \simeq 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$$

radiated energy rate for plasma:

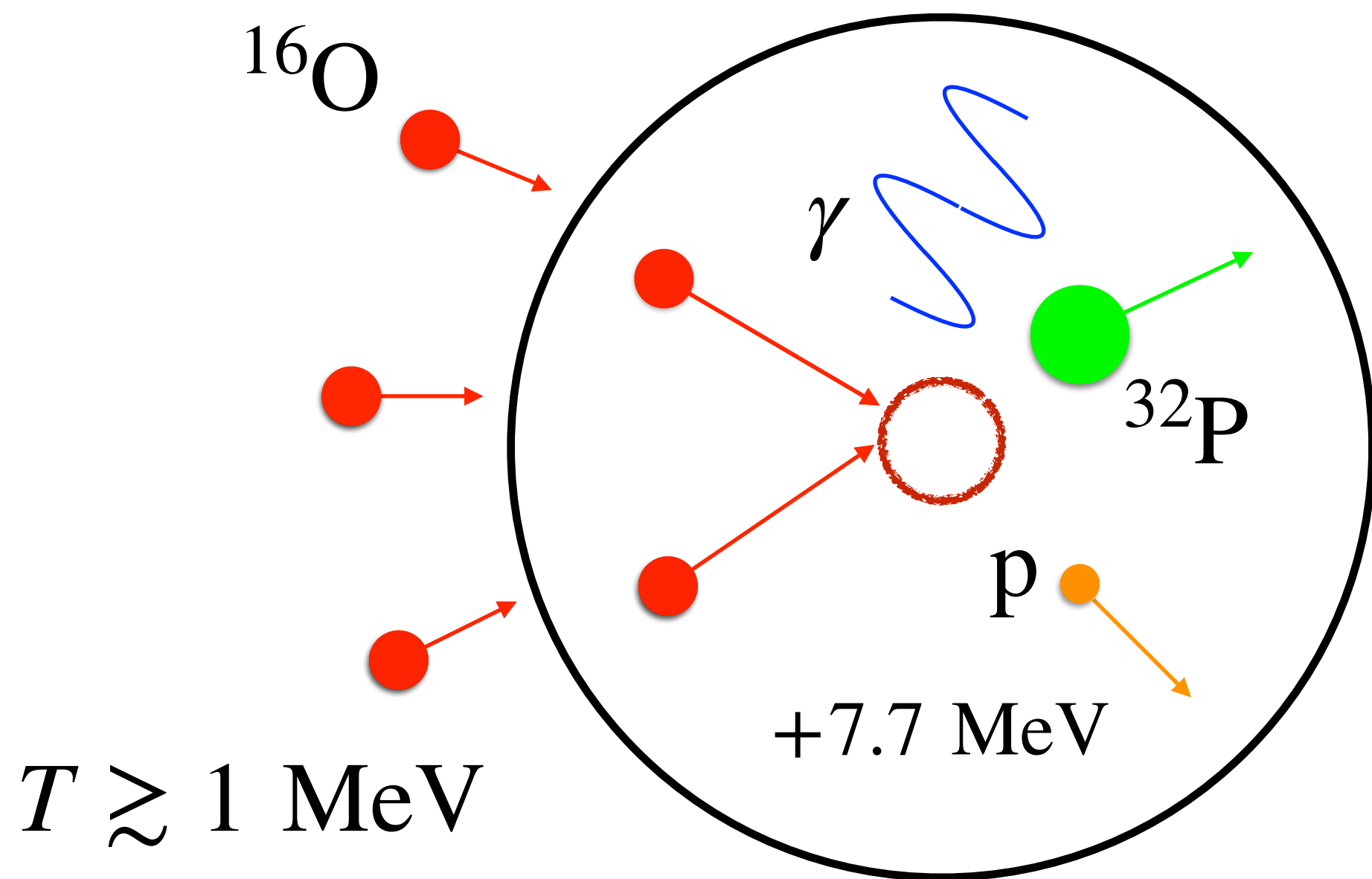
$$\dot{E}_{brem} = \int j_\omega(T) d\omega dV \simeq$$

$$\simeq 10^{10} \text{ GeV s}^{-1} \left( \frac{m_X}{\text{TeV}} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \left( \frac{R_X}{\text{nm}} \right)^3 \left( \frac{g_\phi}{1} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{g_n}{10^{-10}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

can also compute stopping length:

$$L_{stop} \simeq 2 \text{ km} \left( \frac{m_X}{\text{TeV}} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \left( \frac{m_\phi}{10 \text{ keV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{g_n}{10^{-10}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{g_\phi}{1} \right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \left( \frac{v_X}{200 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^3$$

### 3) Fusion



reaction rate per unit volume:

$$R_{th}(T \simeq \text{MeV}) \sim 10^{24} \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1} \left( \frac{\rho}{1 \text{ g cm}^{-3}} \right)^2$$

Caughlan & Fowler, 1988

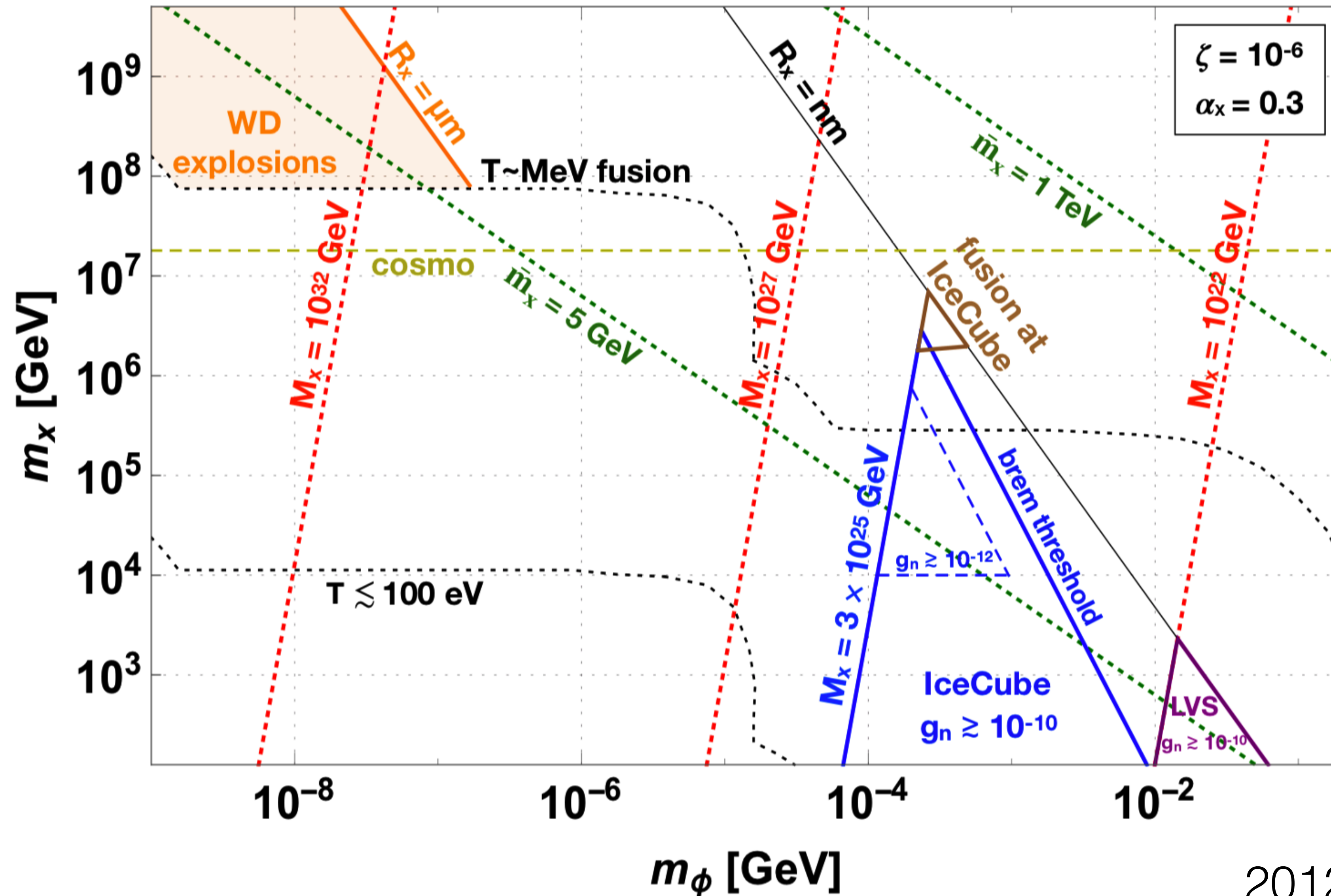
average energy release:  $\bar{Q} \sim 10 \text{ MeV}$

rare to occur while in detection volume:

SNO+ too small  $\longrightarrow M_X \lesssim 10^{22} \text{ GeV}$

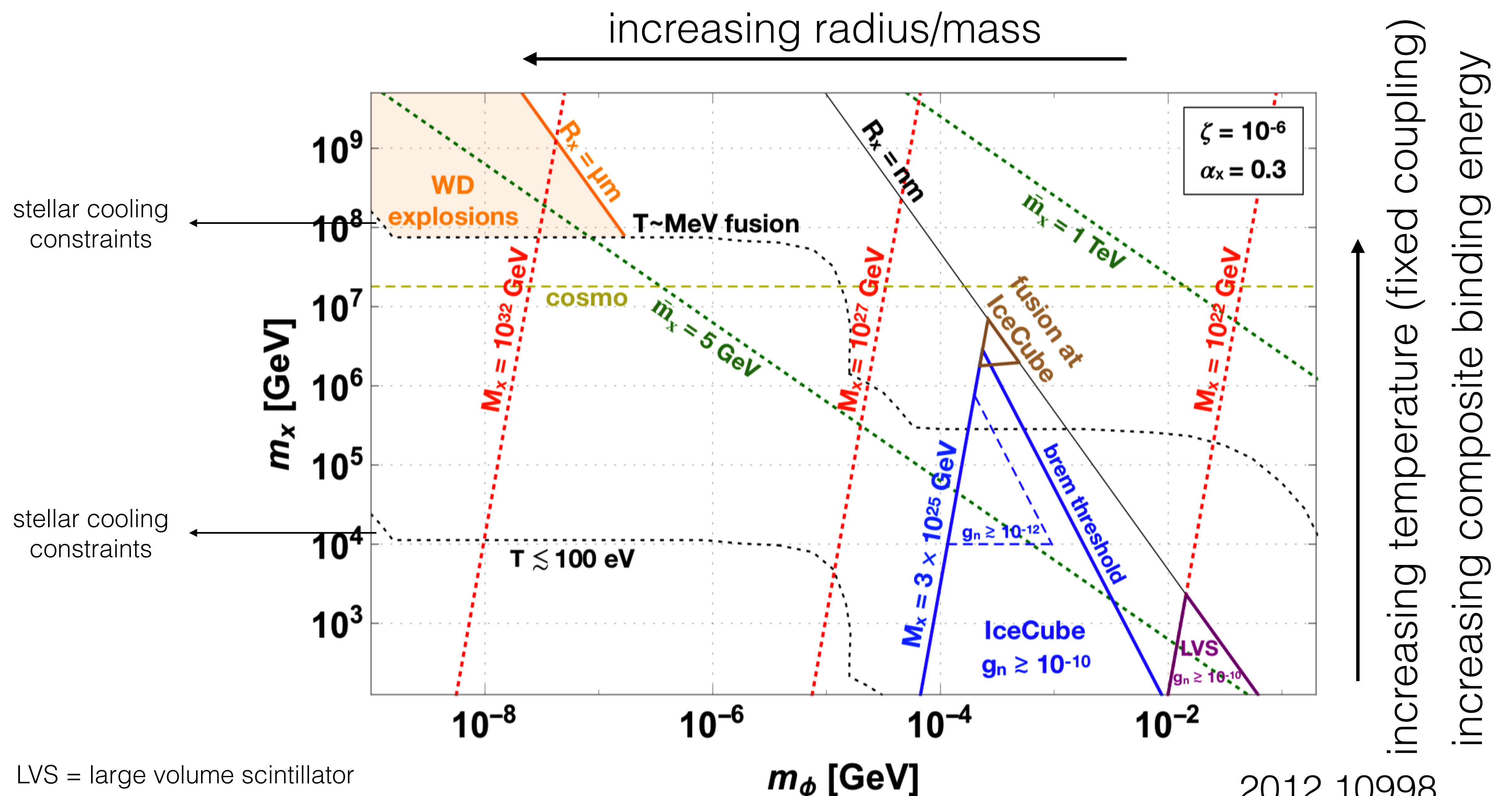
IceCube requires  $T \gtrsim 5 \text{ MeV} \longrightarrow \sim 1$  reaction per crossing

more complete reaction  
network left for future work  
(e.g. disintegration/recapture)





# Parameter space of potential detectability:



LVS = large volume scintillator

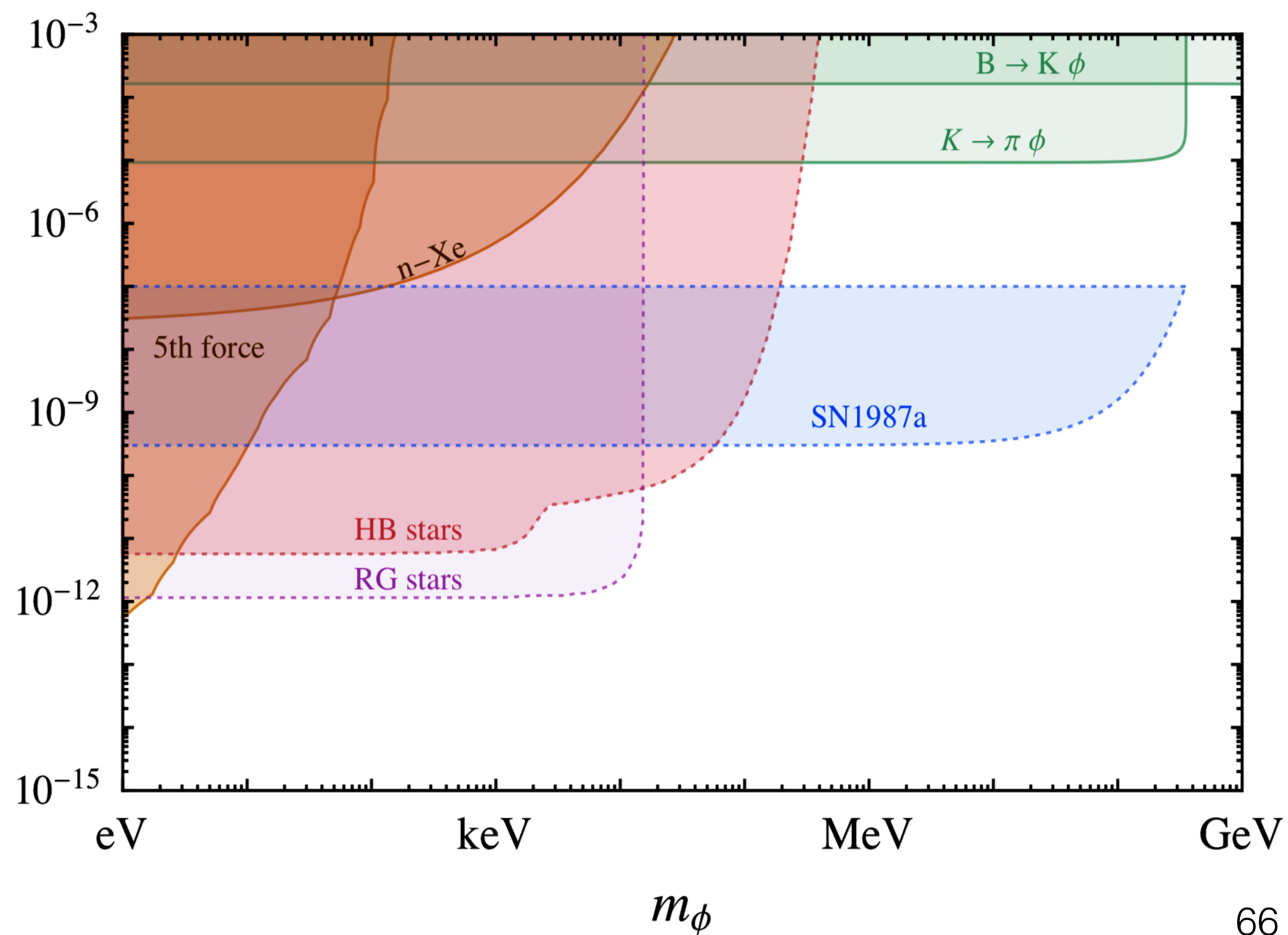
Stellar cooling bounds on coupling limit the kinetic energy:

$$\Delta E \simeq A g_n \left( \frac{m_X}{g_\phi} \right)$$

$$\simeq \text{keV} \left( \frac{g_n}{10^{-10}} \right) \left( \frac{m_X}{\text{TeV}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{g_\phi} \right) \left( \frac{A}{10} \right) y_n$$

for  $\phi$  masses  $< \text{eV}$

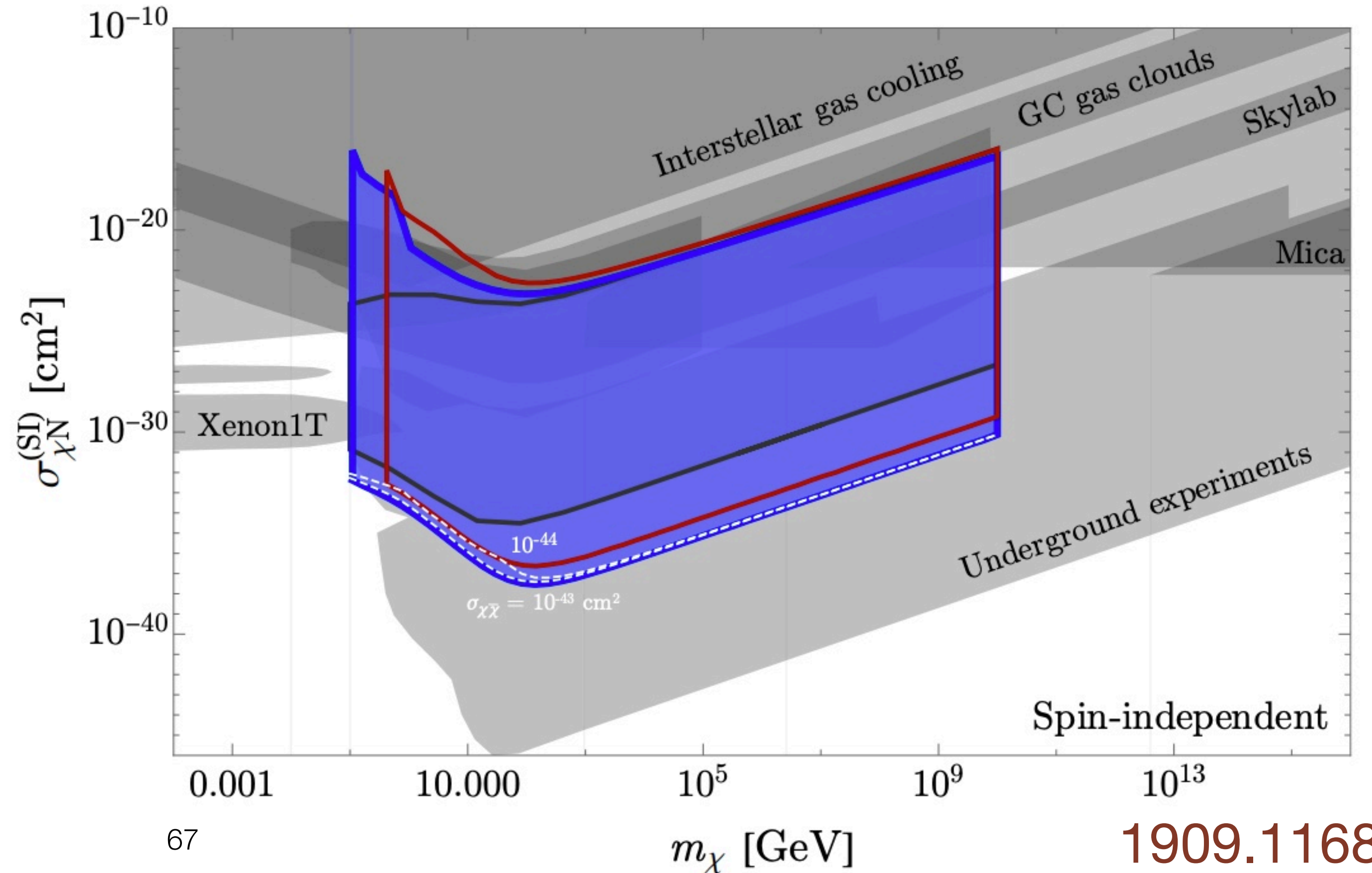
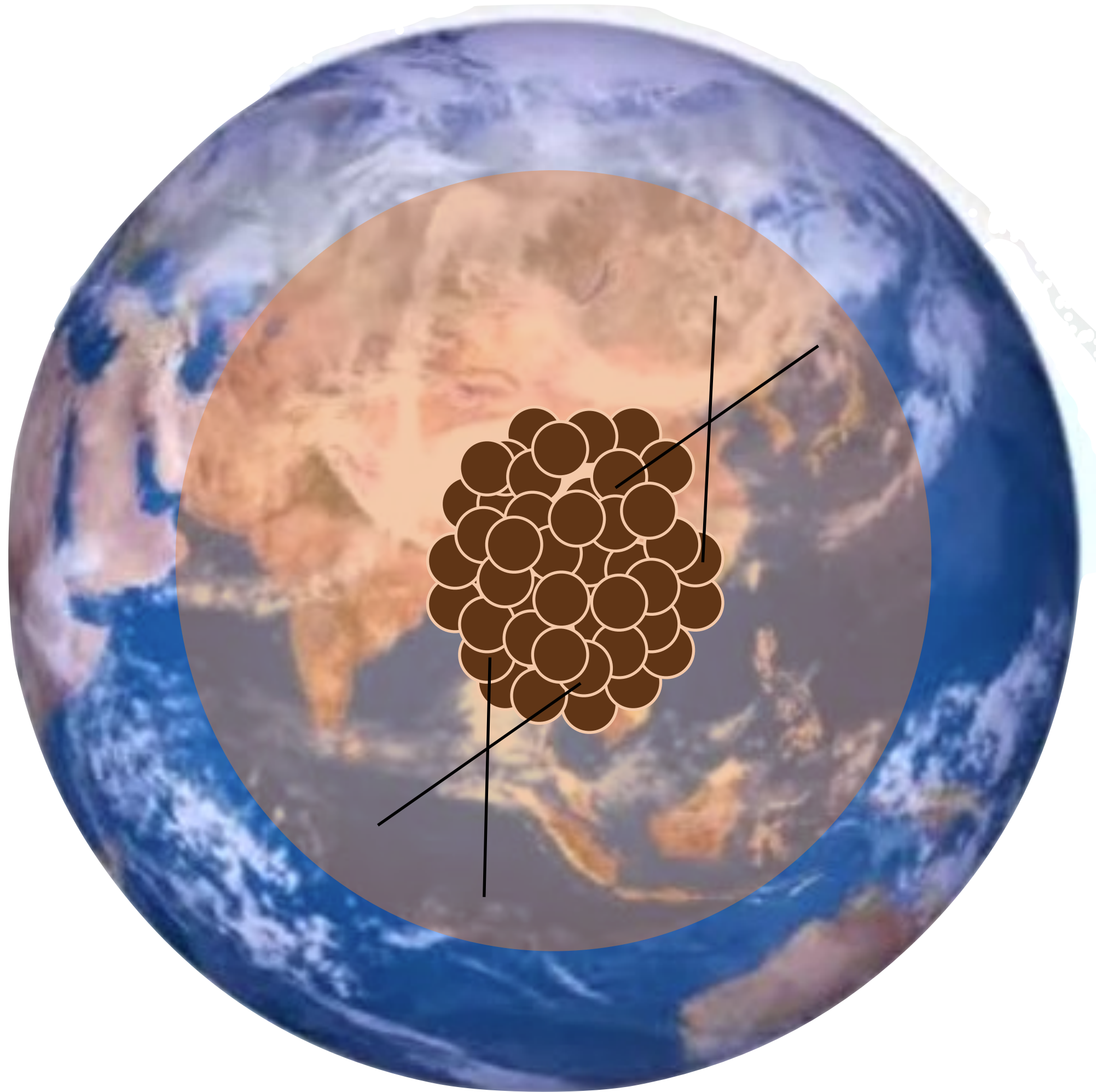
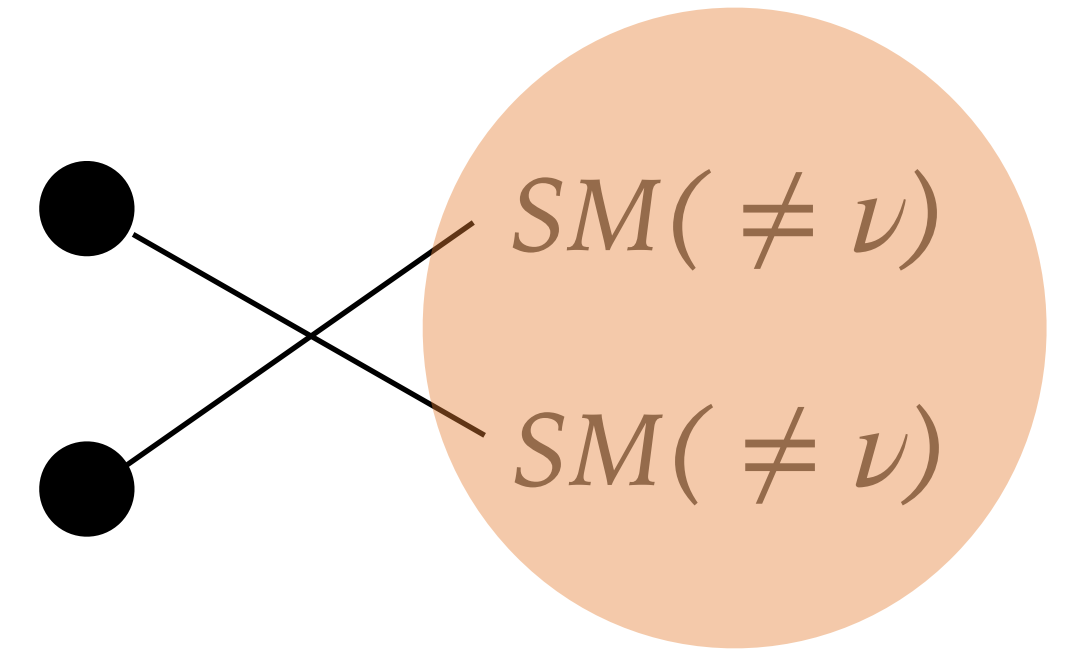
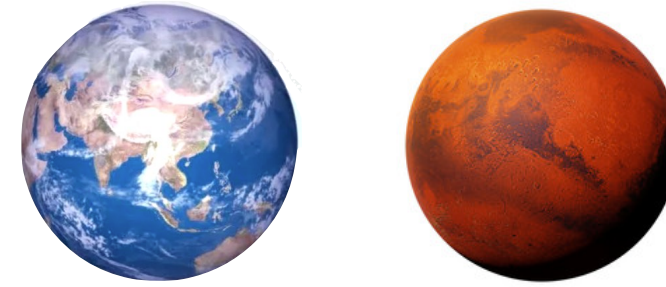
5th force searches  
further constrain coupling



Sphere of DM particles in the Earth settle at thermal radius:

$$\langle E_k \rangle \simeq -2\langle V \rangle \longrightarrow r_{th} = \sqrt{\frac{9T_{\oplus}}{4\pi G\rho_{\oplus}m_{\chi}}} \lesssim \mathcal{O}(\text{km})$$

If they annihilate:  
Earth/Martian heating!

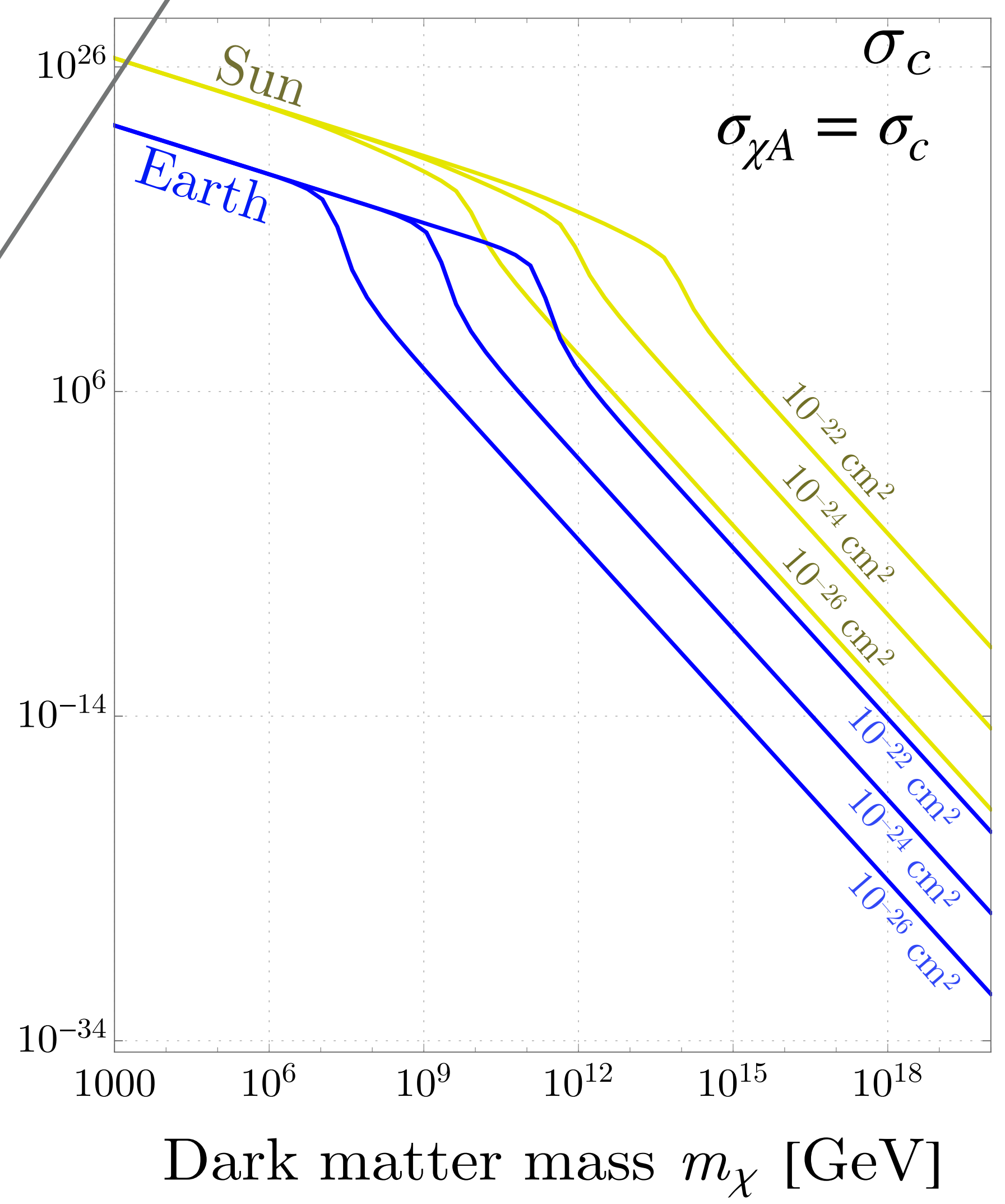
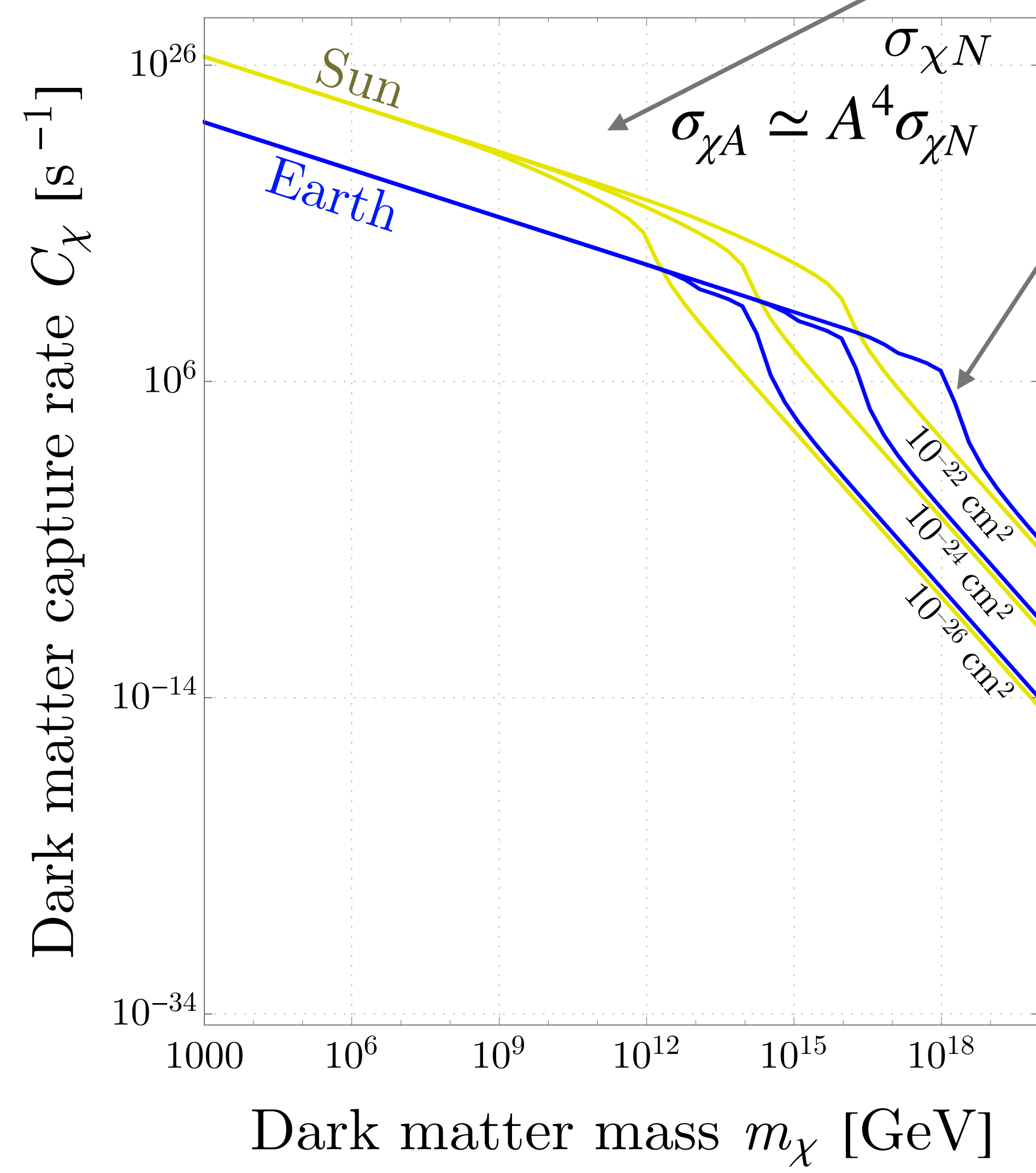




### Single Scatter Capture

### Multi Scatter Capture

Capture on core / low velocity MB tail

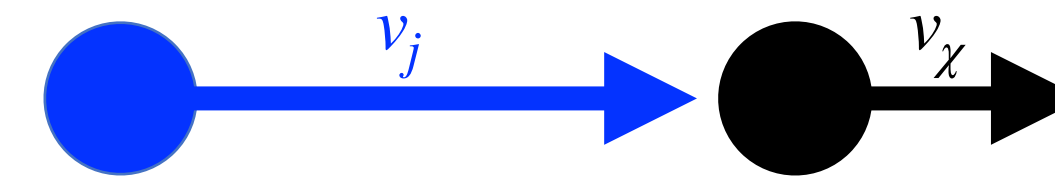




Thermal velocity of nuclei  $v_j \approx \sqrt{\frac{3T_{\oplus}}{m_j}}$

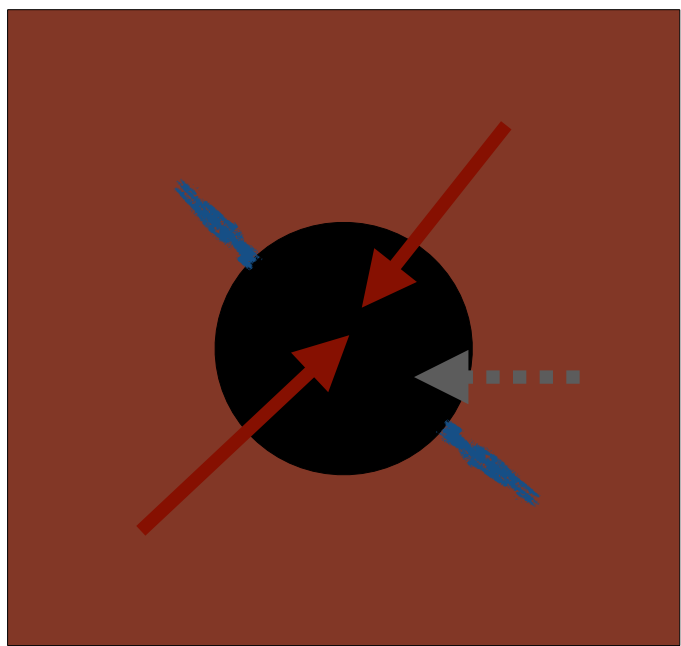
$\left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right)_{in} \approx -\rho_j \sigma_{\chi j} v_{\chi}^3$       'inertial' regime       $v_{\chi} \gg v_j$

$\left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right)_{vis} \approx -\rho_j \sigma_{\chi j} v_j v_{\chi}^2$       'viscous' regime       $v_{\chi} \ll v_j$



$\left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right)_{vis} \ll \left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right)_{in} \longrightarrow$  **Use viscous regime scaling, gives longest thermalization time**

# BH evolution



$$\frac{dM_{BH}}{dt} \simeq B \times M_{BH}^2 - \frac{H}{M_{BH}^2} + C \leftarrow \dots$$

**Bondi Accretion:**

- Causes BH to grow
- Larger for larger black holes (lighter DM)

**Hawking radiation:**

- Causes BH to shrink
- Larger for smaller BHs (heavier DM)

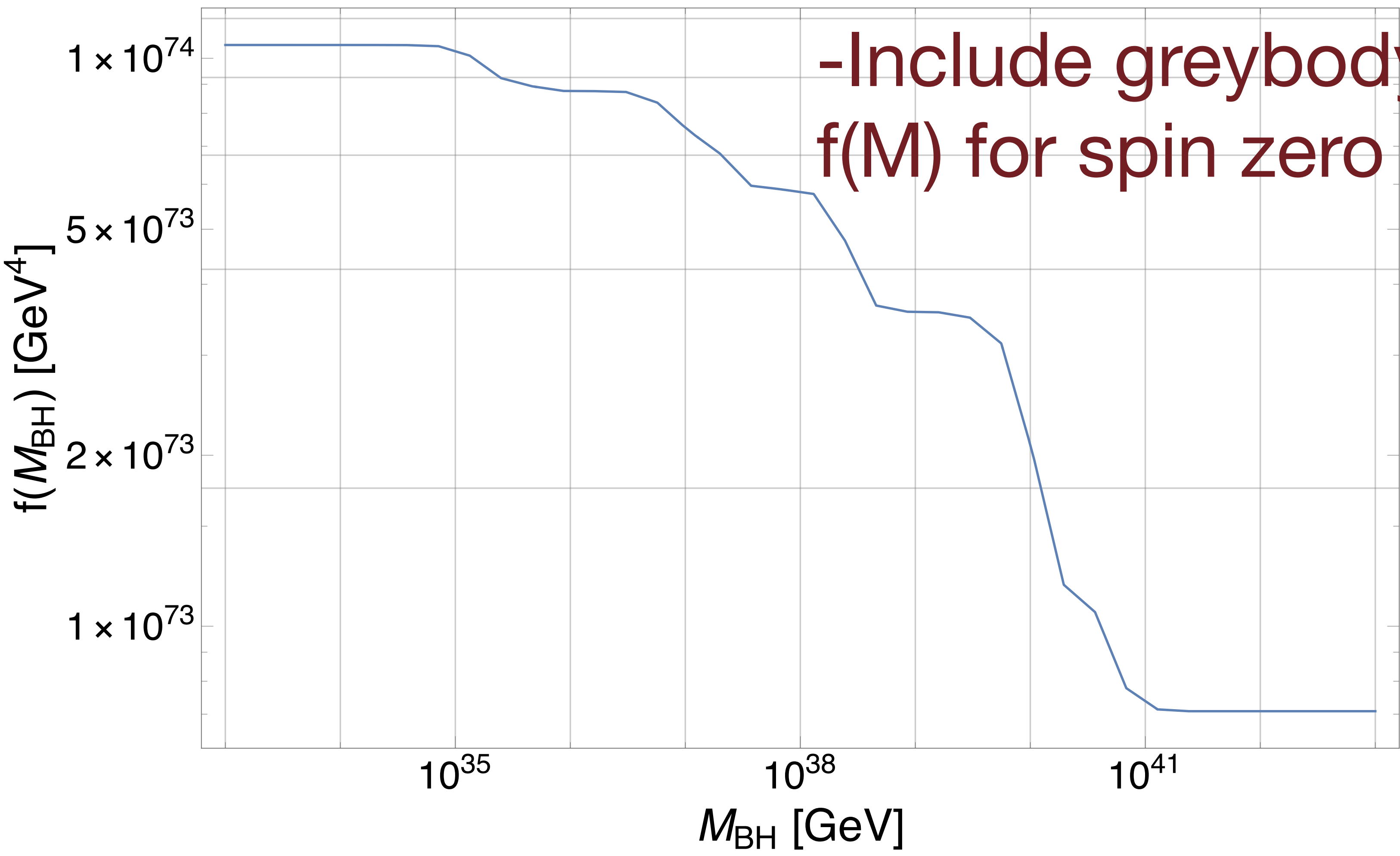
**Dark Matter Accretion:**

- Causes BH to grow
- Independent of DM or BH mass
- Has a maximum value of  $m_\chi \Phi_\chi \simeq 3000 \text{ TW} \simeq 10^{25} \text{ GeV/s}$

	Earth	Sun
<b>Max destructive <math>m_\chi</math></b> Hawking = Bondi + $m_\chi \Phi_\chi$	$2.7 \times 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$	$3 \times 10^{14} \text{ GeV}$
<b>Min evaporative <math>m_\chi</math></b> Hawking = Bondi	$4.5 \times 10^9 \text{ GeV}$	$4.6 \times 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$

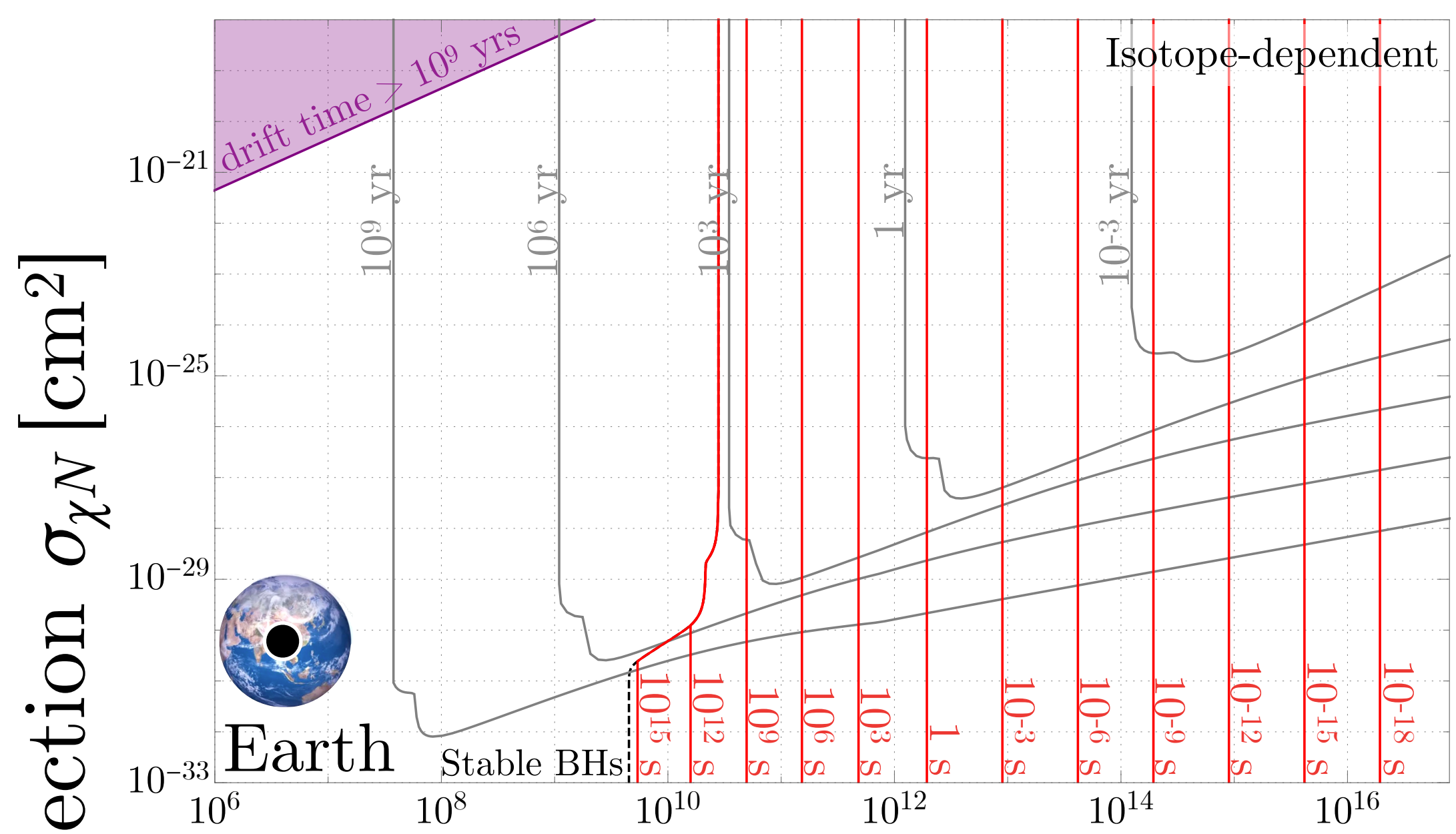
# BH evolution

$$\frac{dM_{BH}}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\rho_{\oplus}(GM_{BH})^2}{c_s^3} - \frac{f(M_{BH})}{15360\pi(GM_{BH})^2} + m_{\chi}C_{\chi}$$

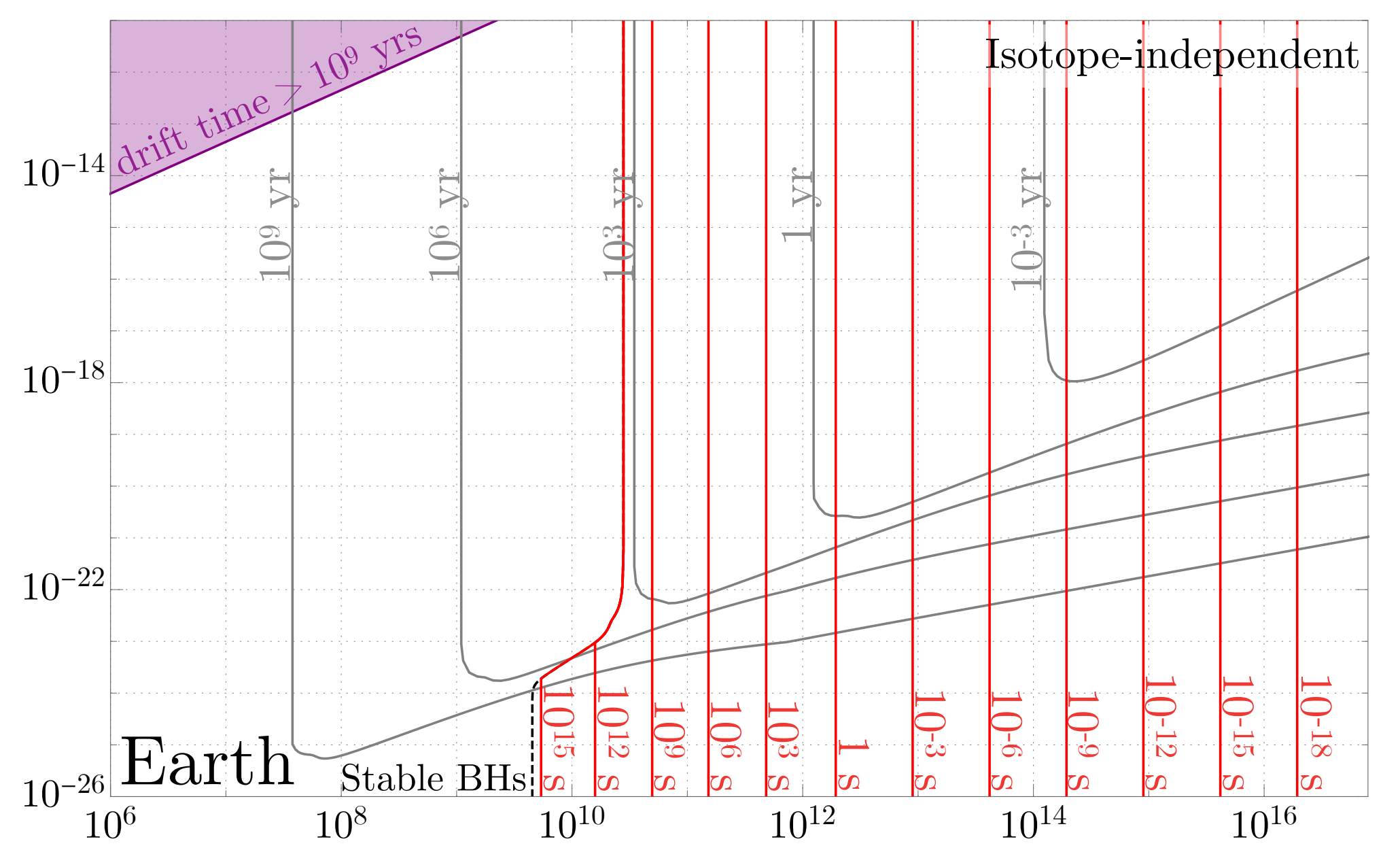


-Include greybody factor  $f(M)$  for spin zero BH

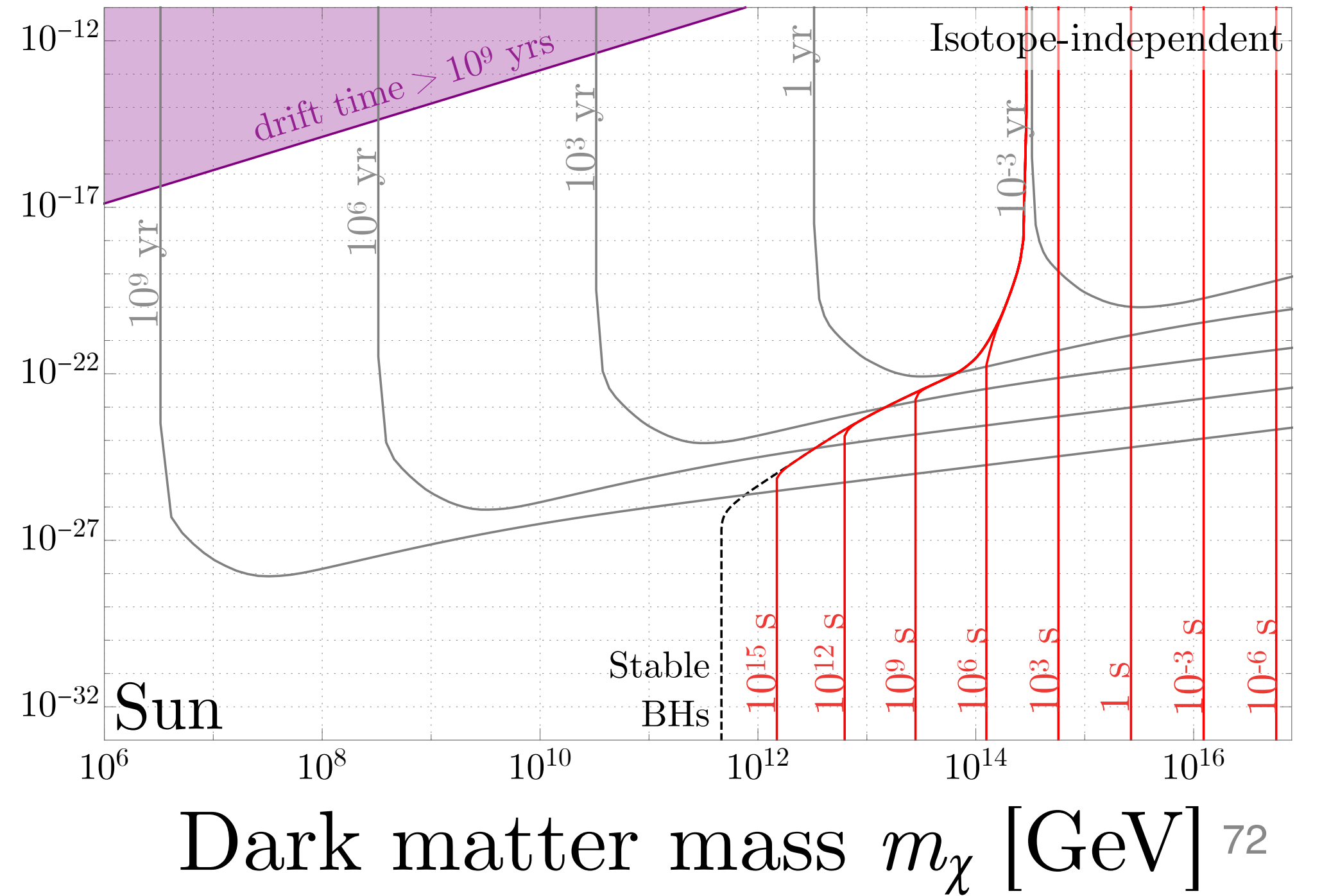
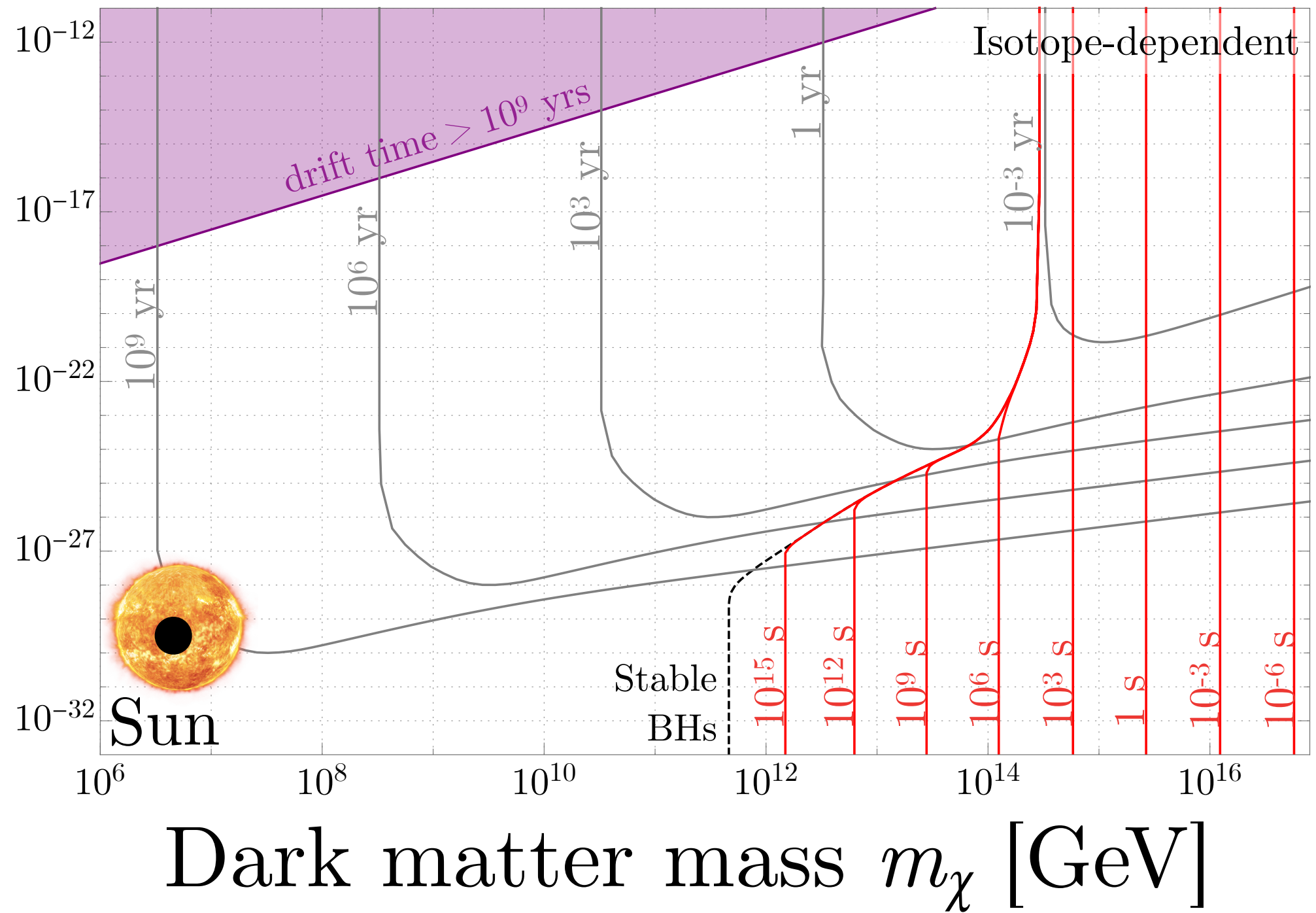
DM-nucleon cross-section  $\sigma_{\chi N}$  [cm<sup>2</sup>]



DM contact cross-section  $\sigma_c$  [cm<sup>2</sup>]



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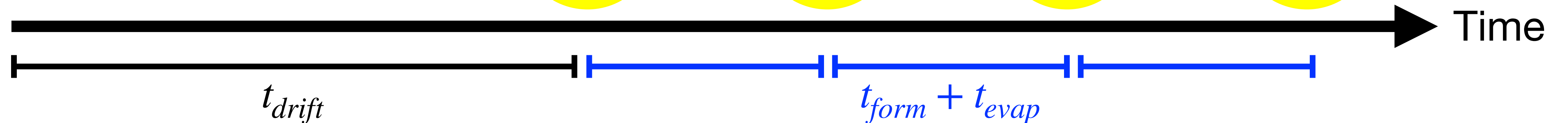
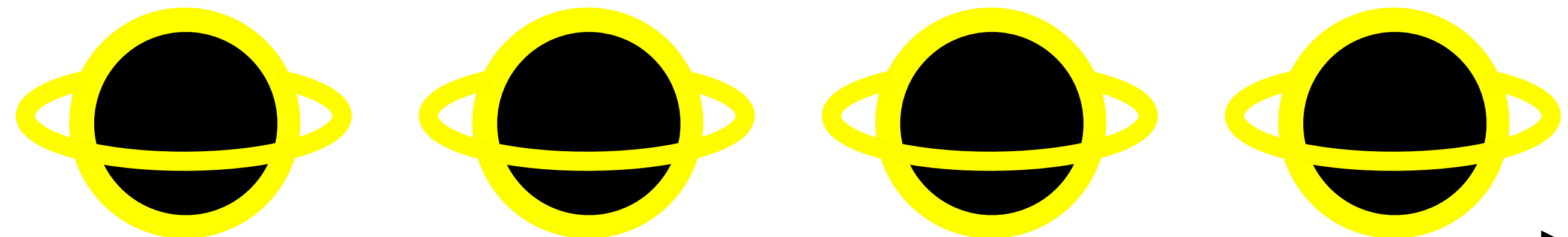
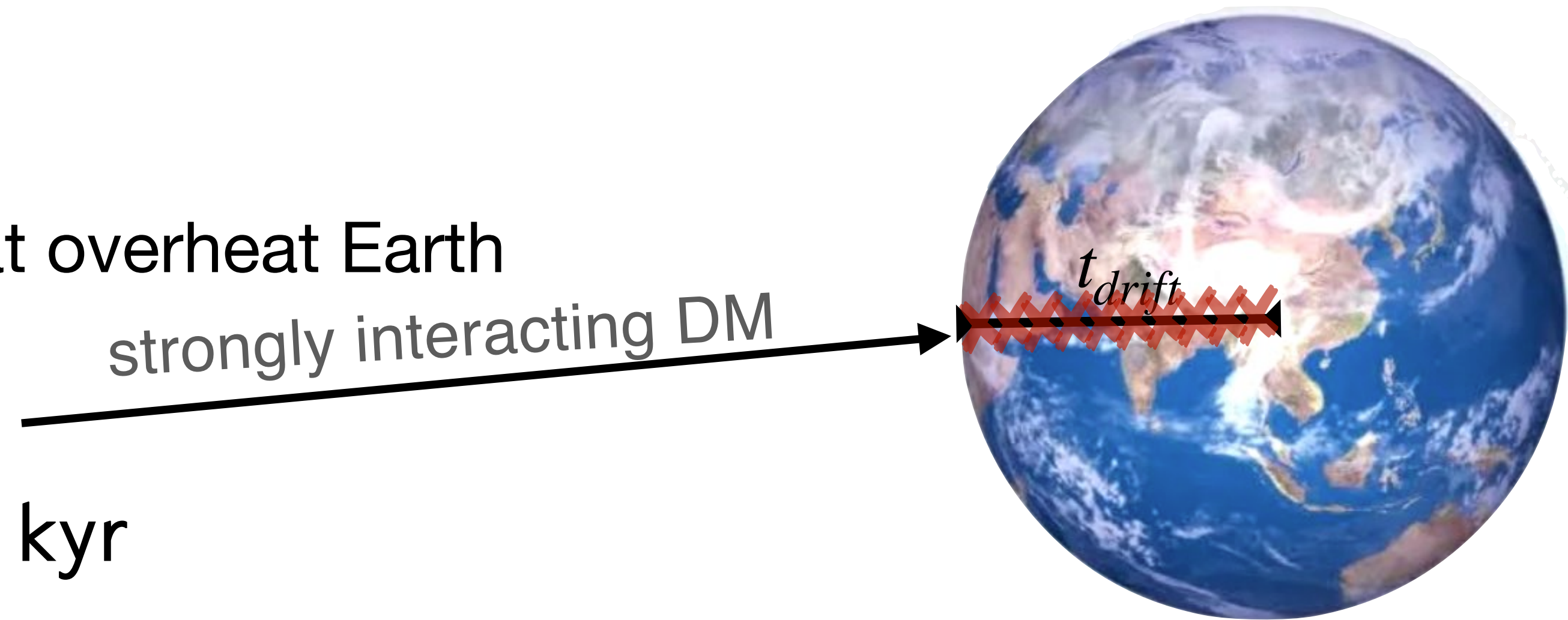
For destructive BHs:  
Exclude DM models that form faster than a billion years

For evaporating BHs:  
Exclude DM models that overheat Earth

(a)  $t_{drift} \lesssim 1 \text{ Gyr}$

(b)  $t_{evap} + t_{form} \lesssim 1 \text{ kyr}$

(c)  $m_\chi C_\chi \geq 44 \text{ TW}$



--- Primaries - direct BH production of muon neutrinos

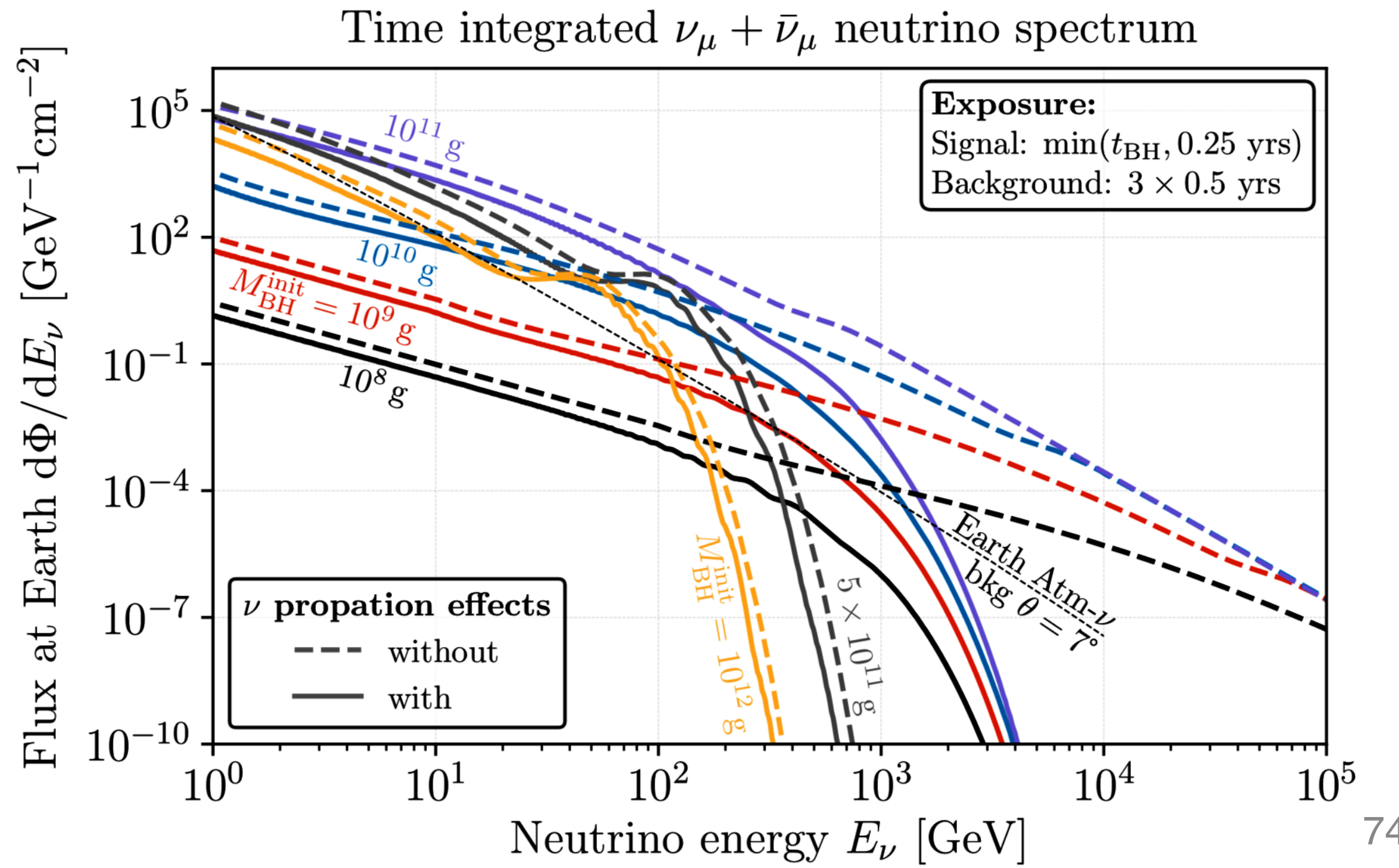
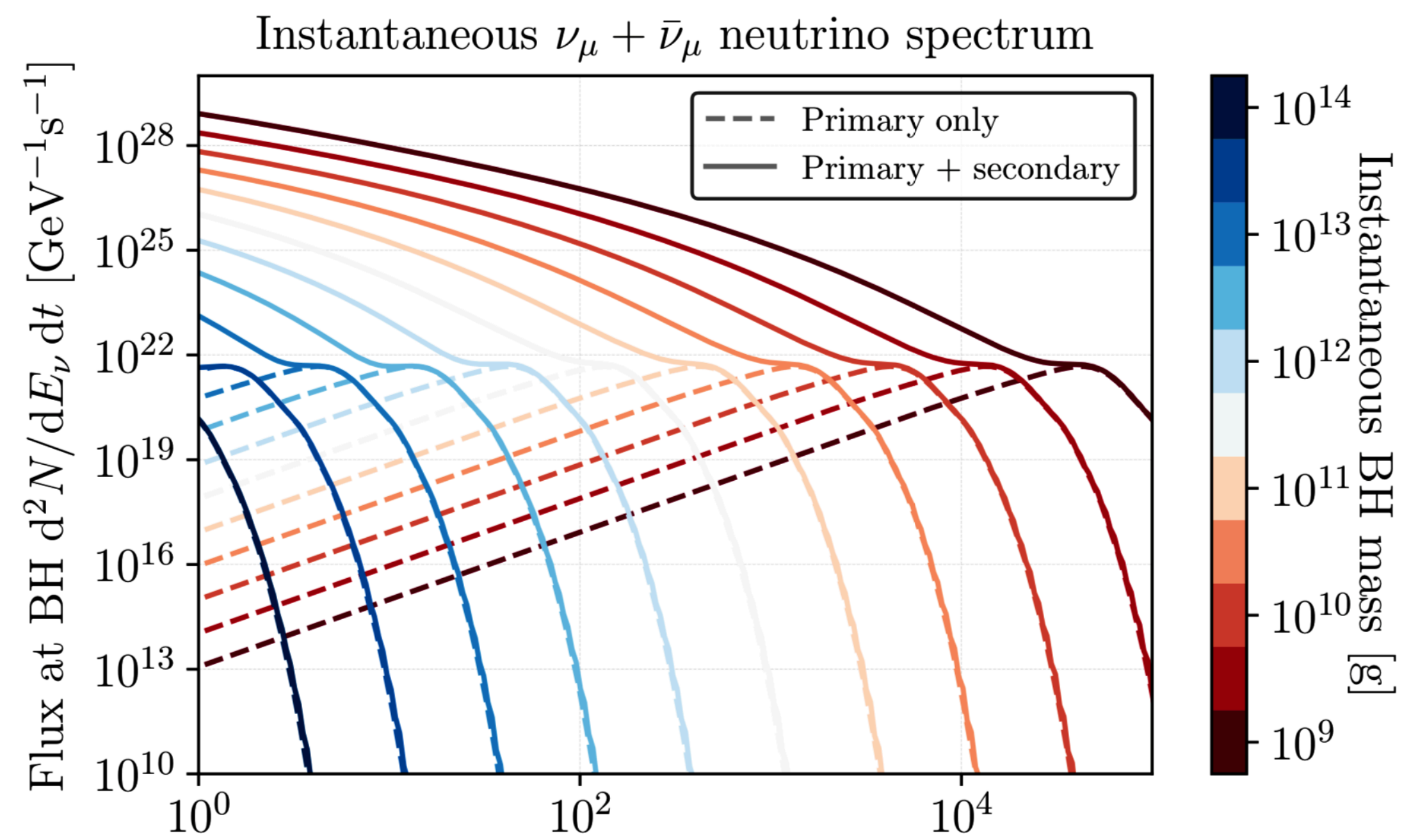
— Secondaries - muon neutrinos produced in particle showers

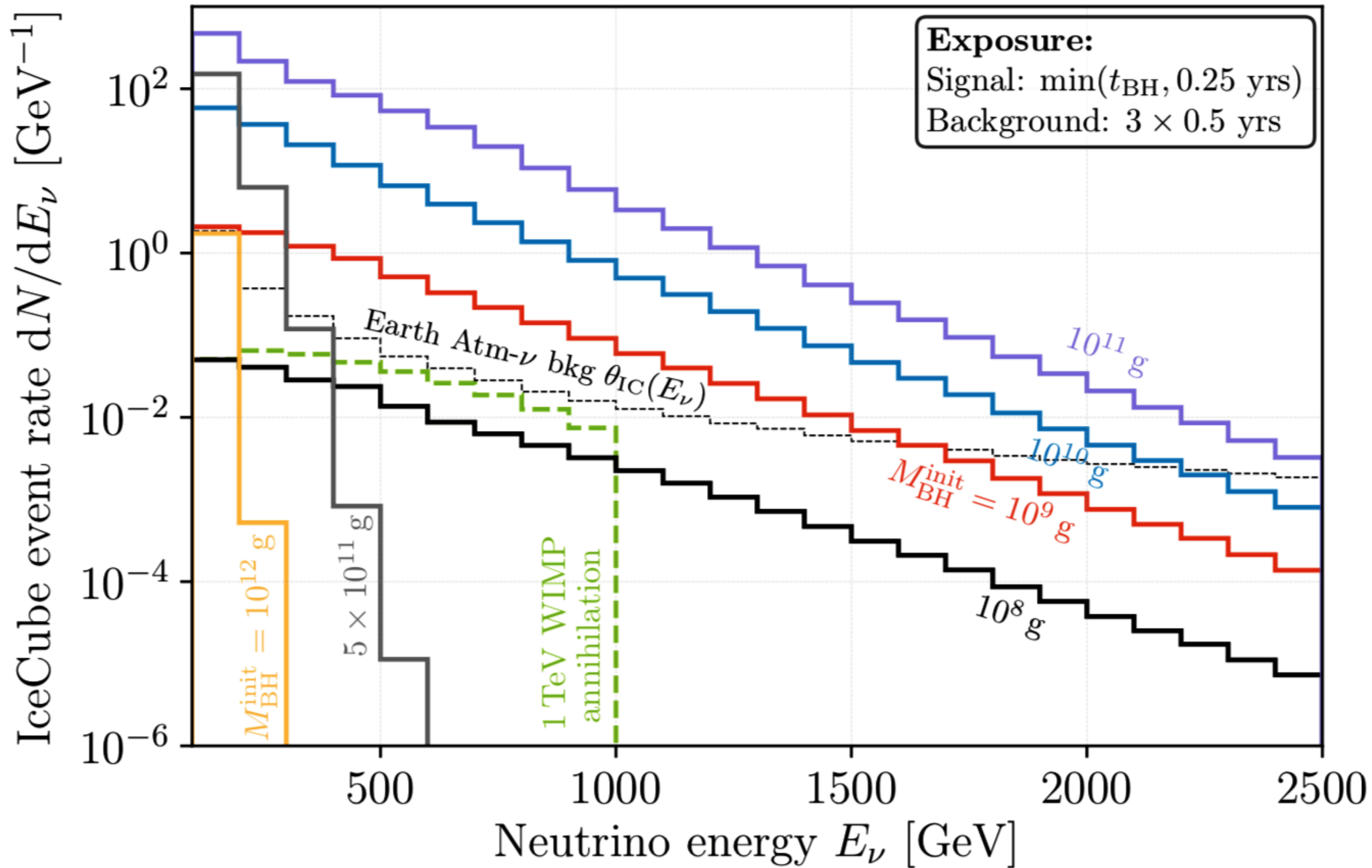
**Integrated spectra:**

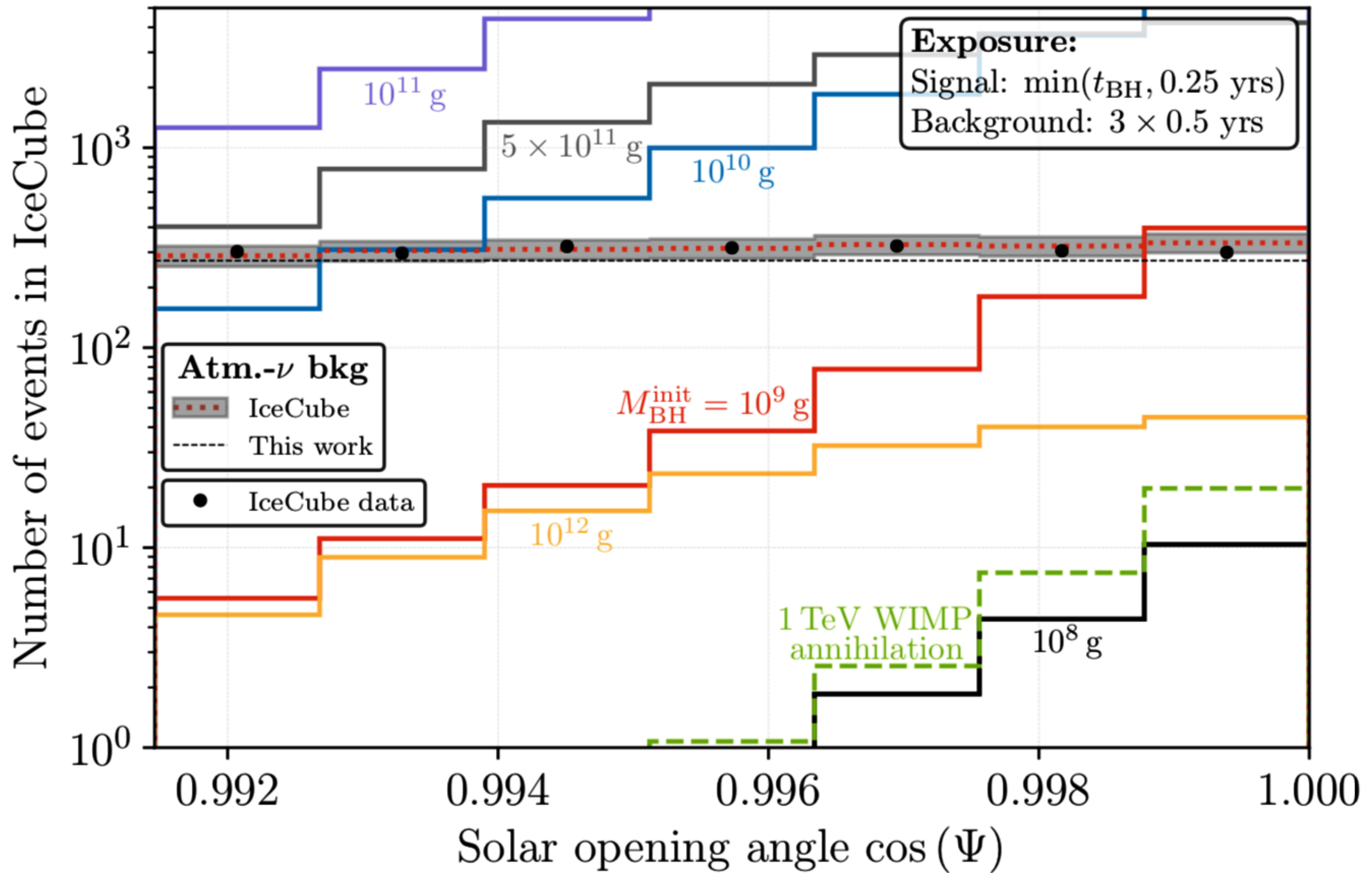
$$\frac{dM_{BH}}{dt} = - \frac{f(M_{BH})}{(GM_{BH})^2}$$

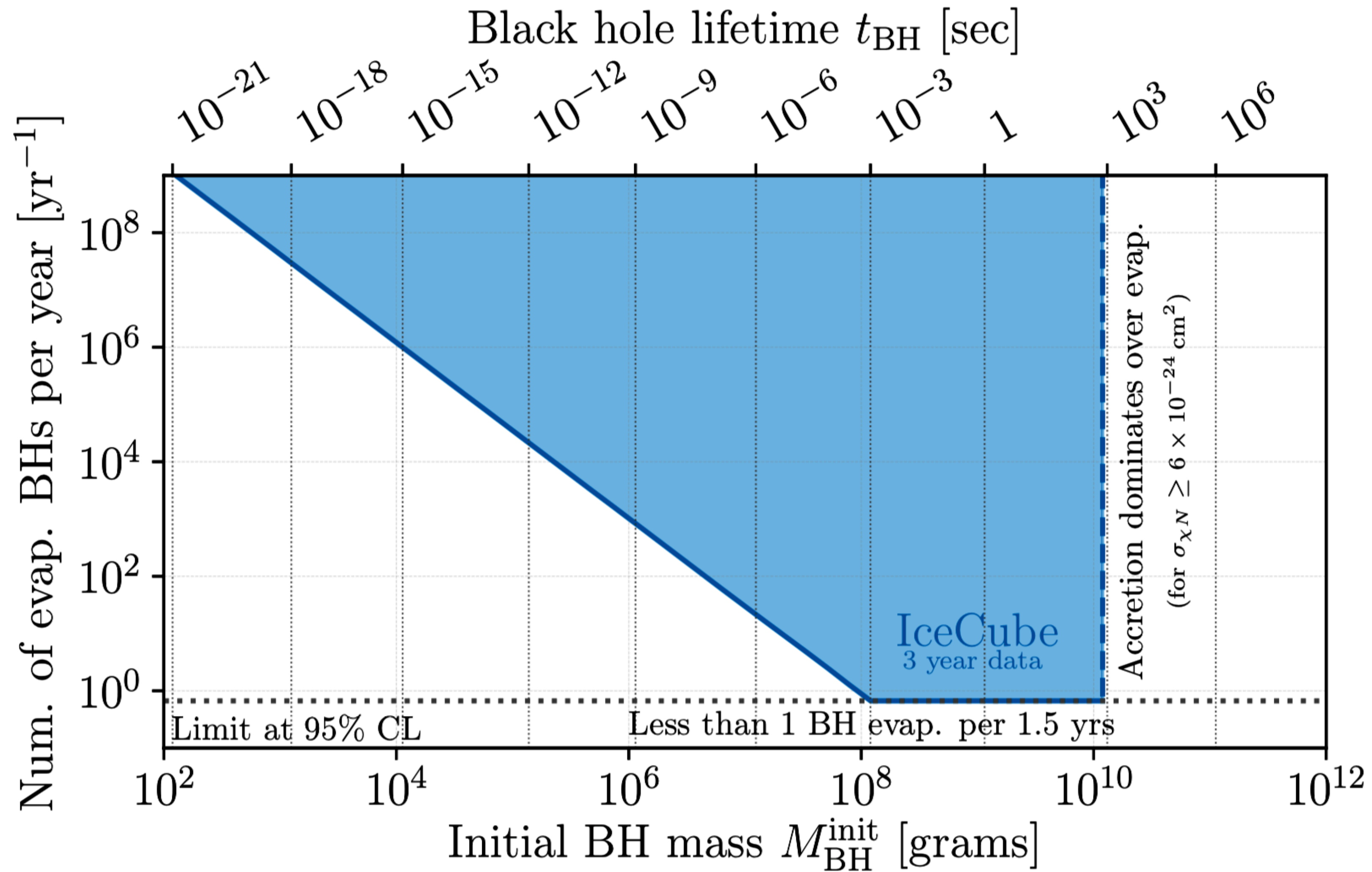
--- no prop  
 — prop effects

$f(M_{BH}) =$  greybody factor









$$M_{BH}^{init} \lesssim 10^8 \text{ g}$$

**Need multiple  
evaporating BHs**

$$10^8 \text{ g} \lesssim M_{BH}^{init} \lesssim 4 \times 10^{10} \text{ g}$$

**single evaporating  
BH suffices**

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**BHs do not evaporate**

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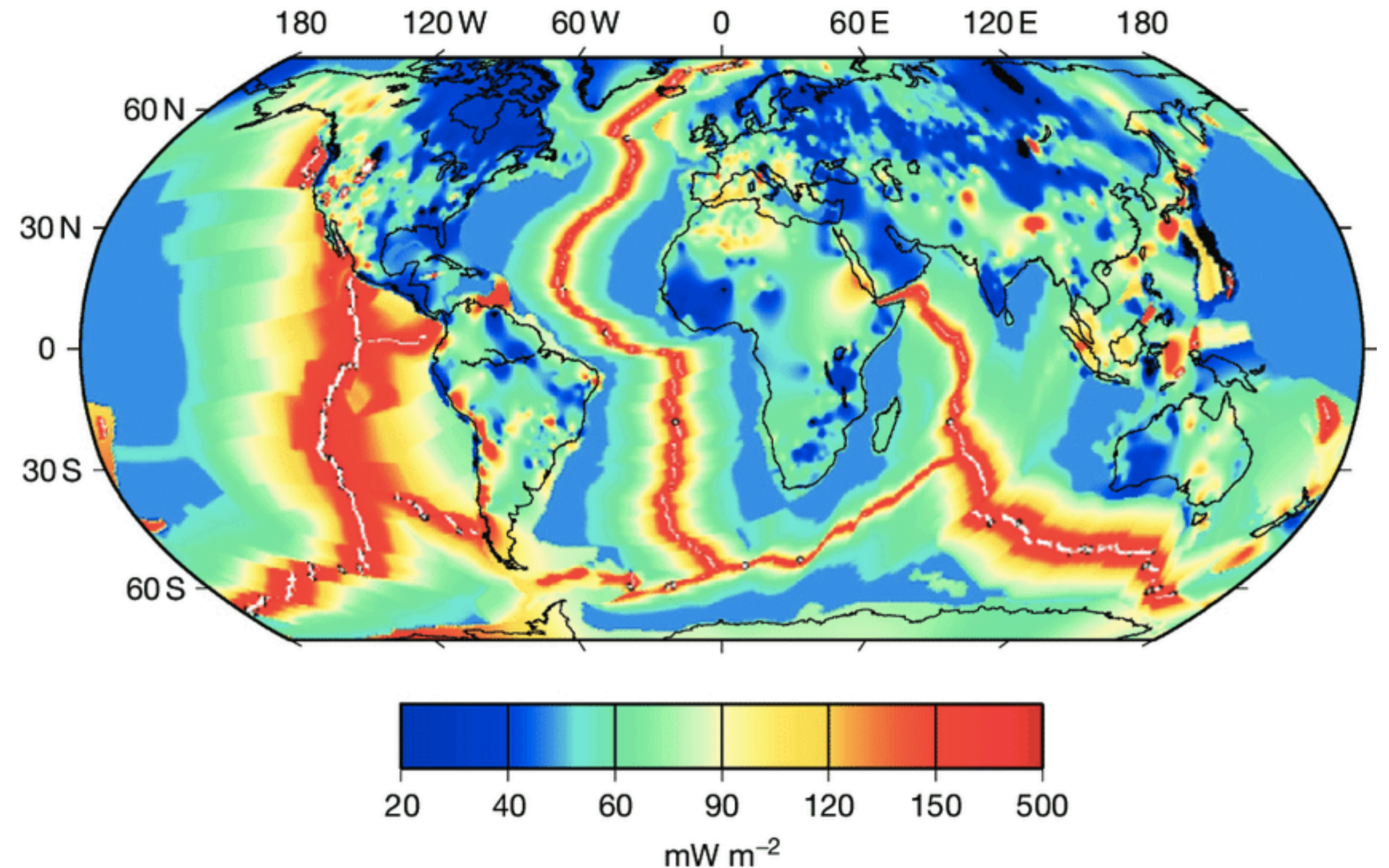
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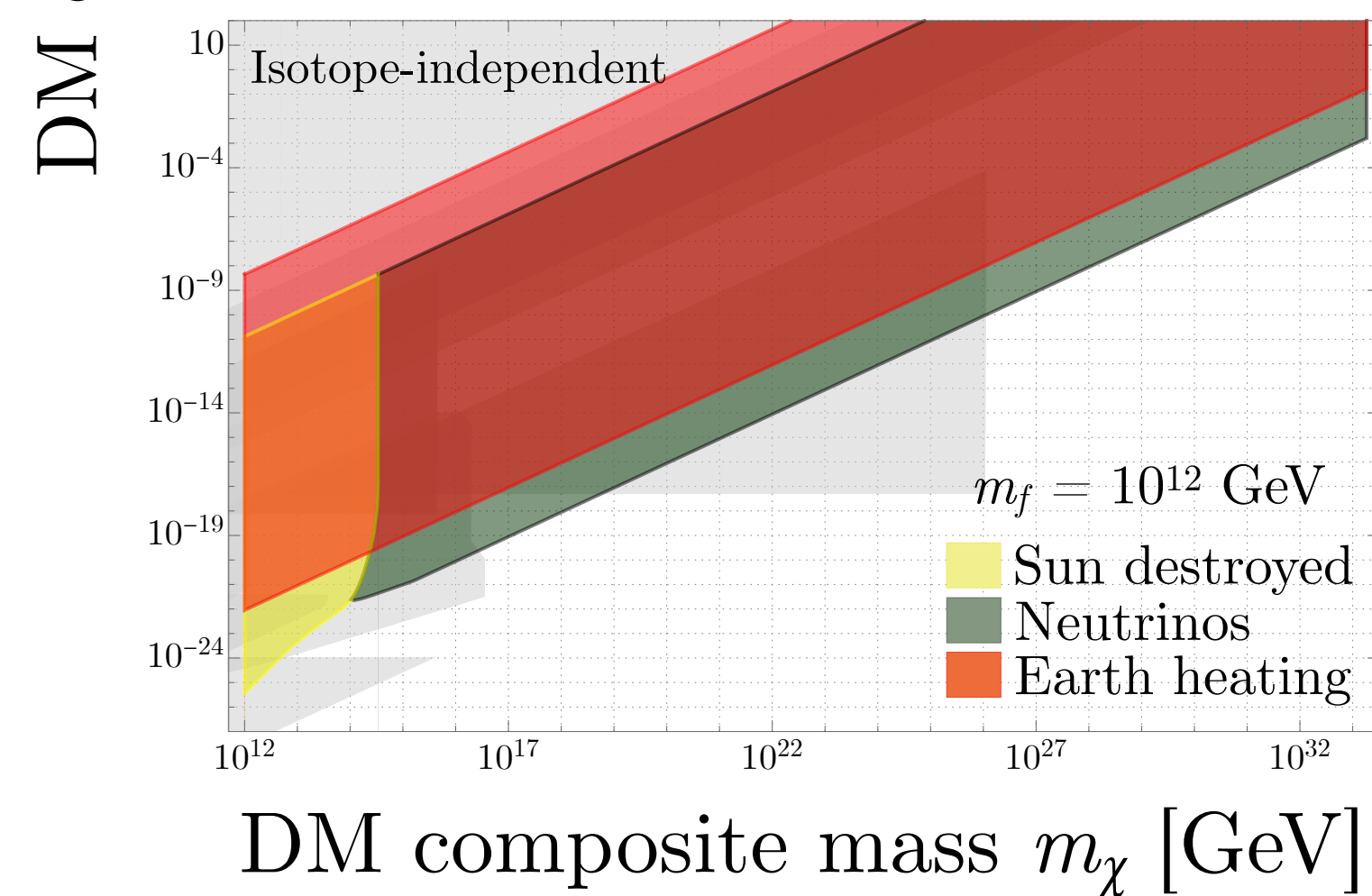
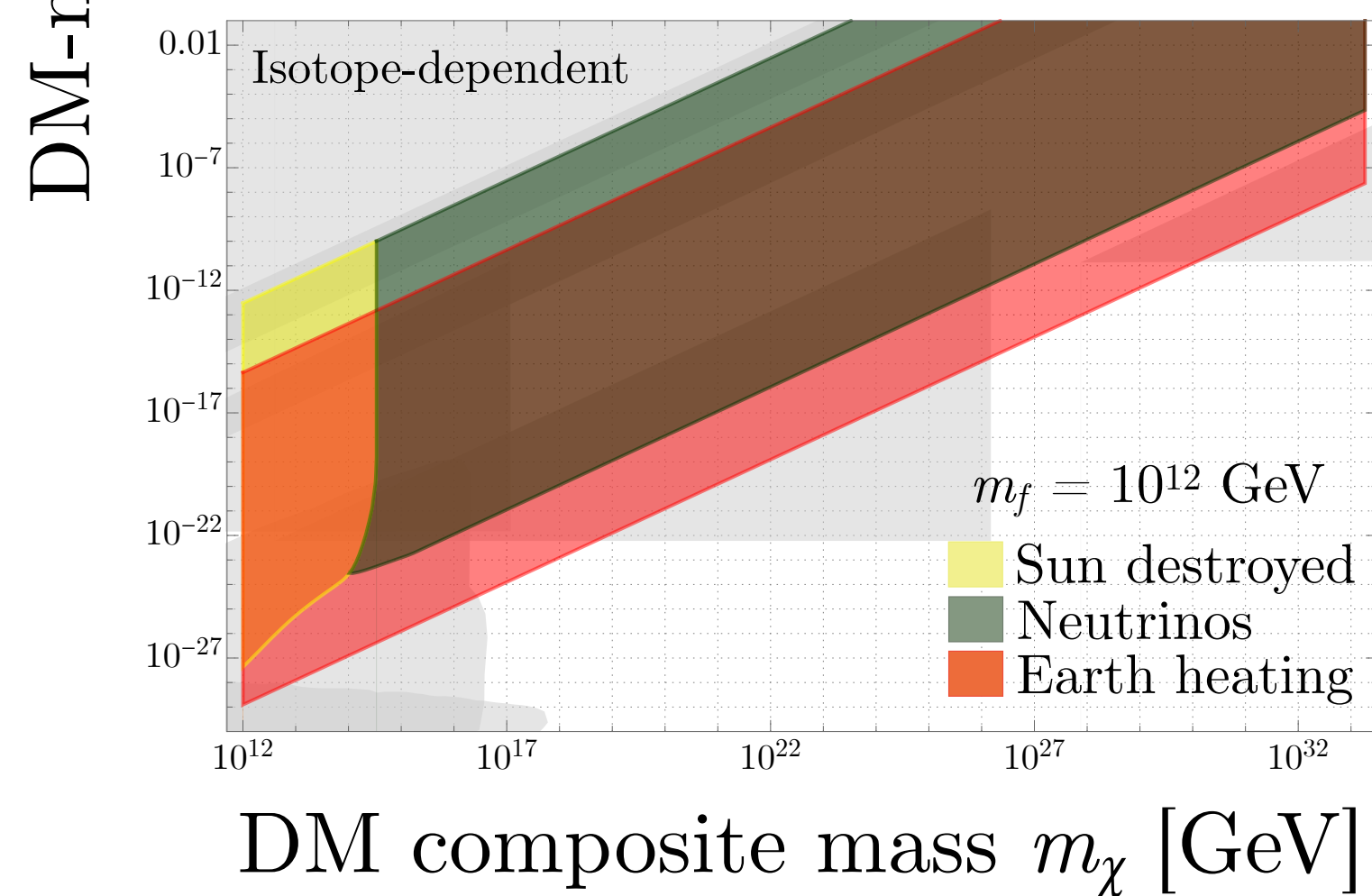
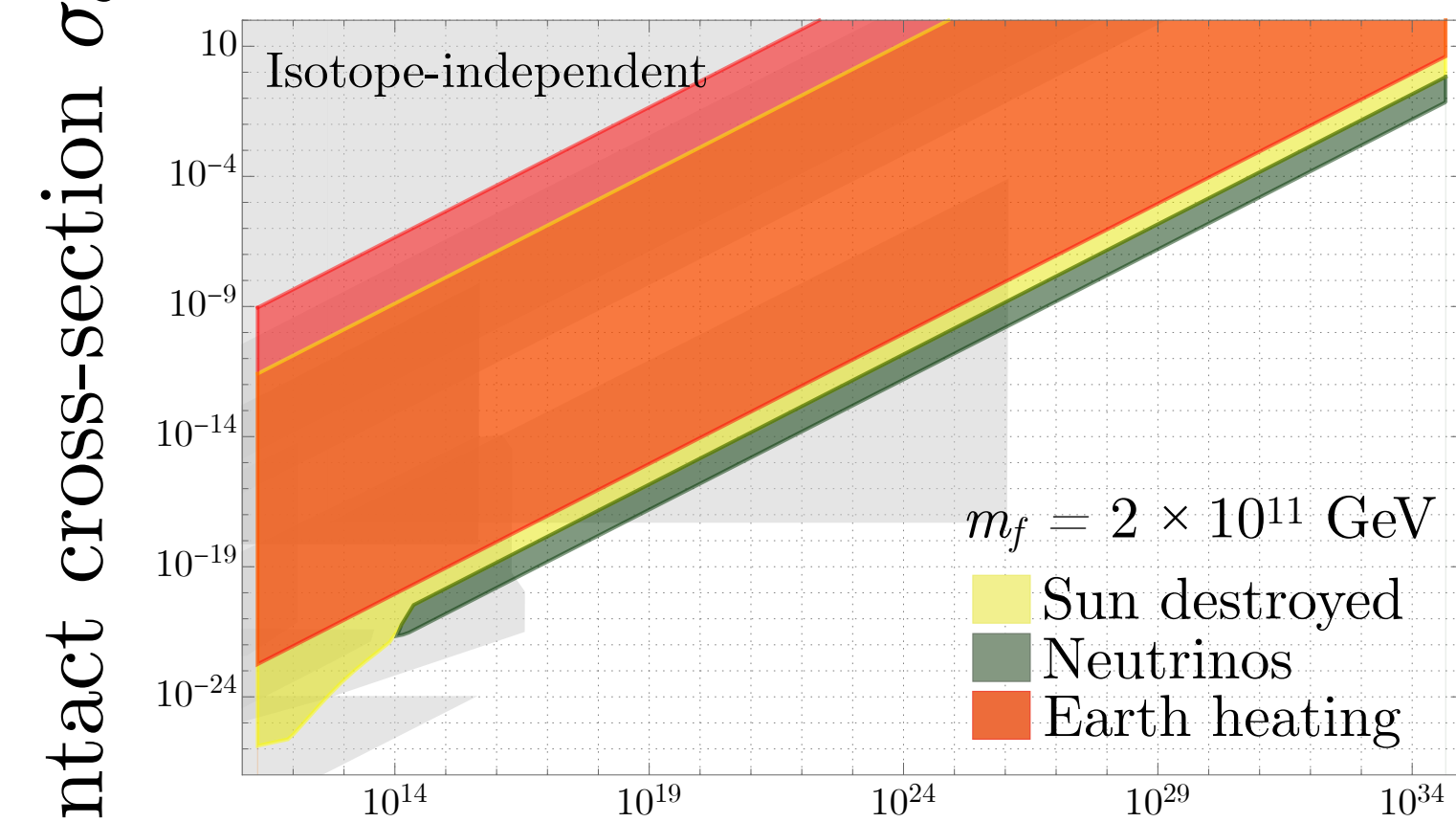
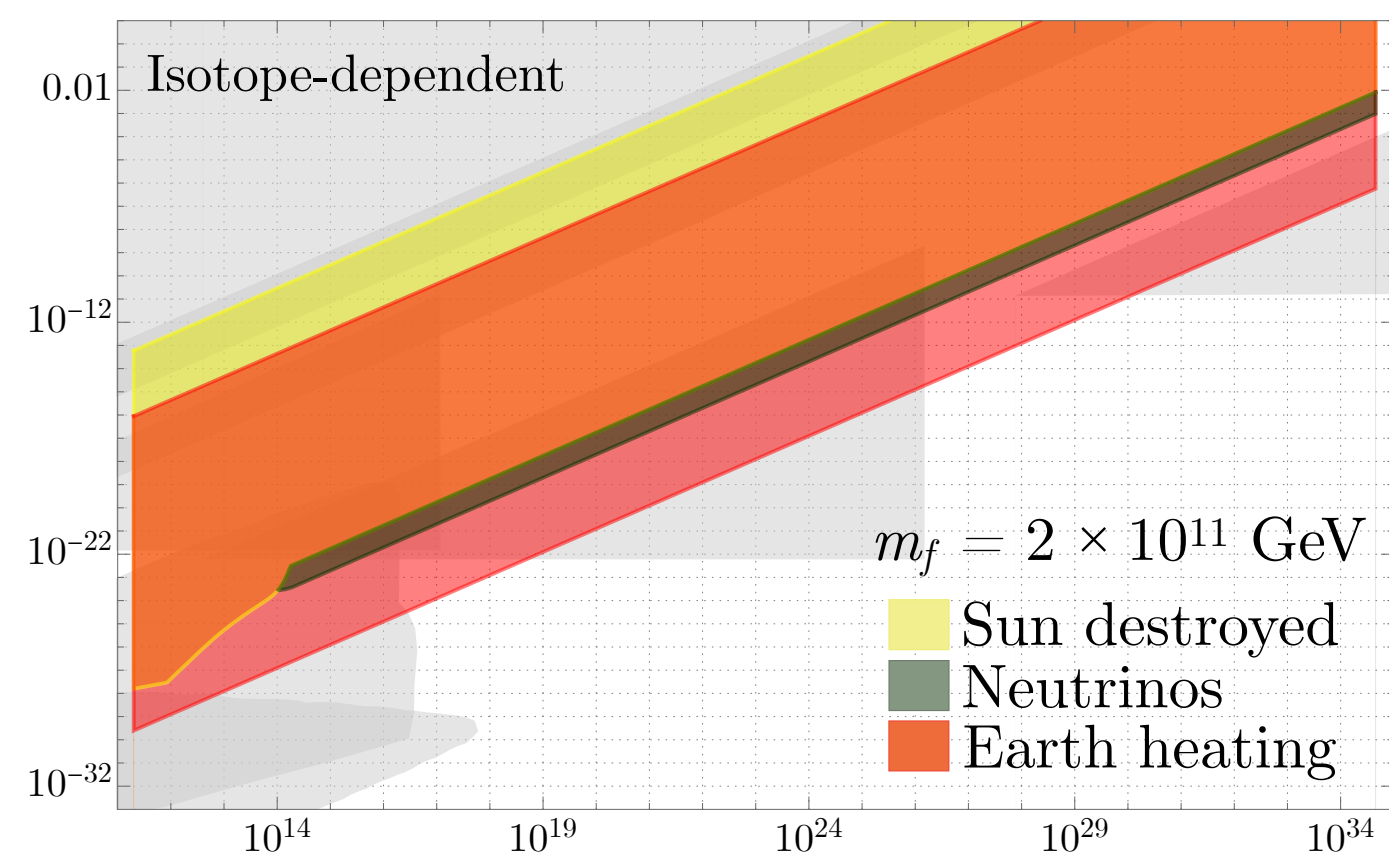
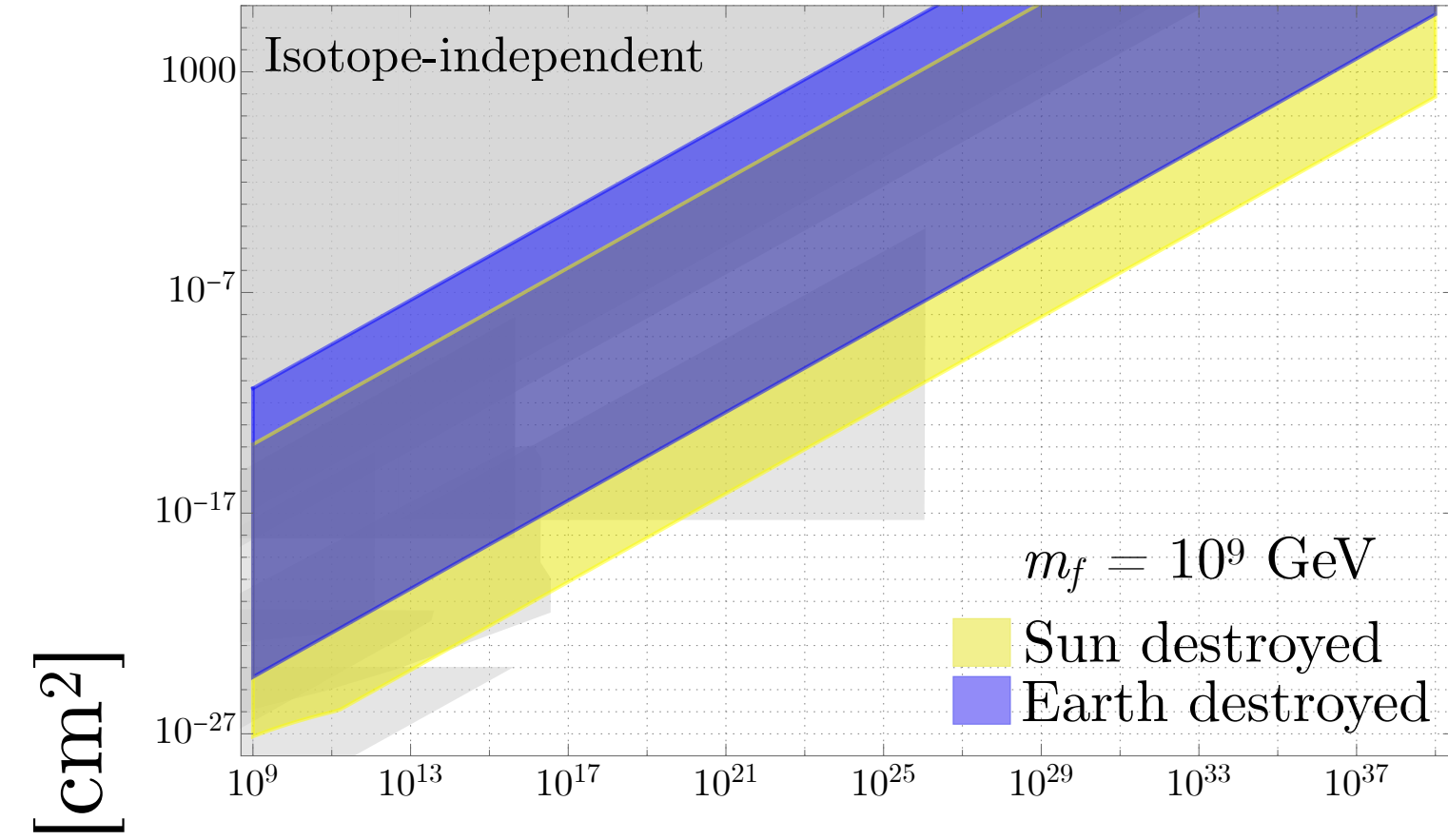
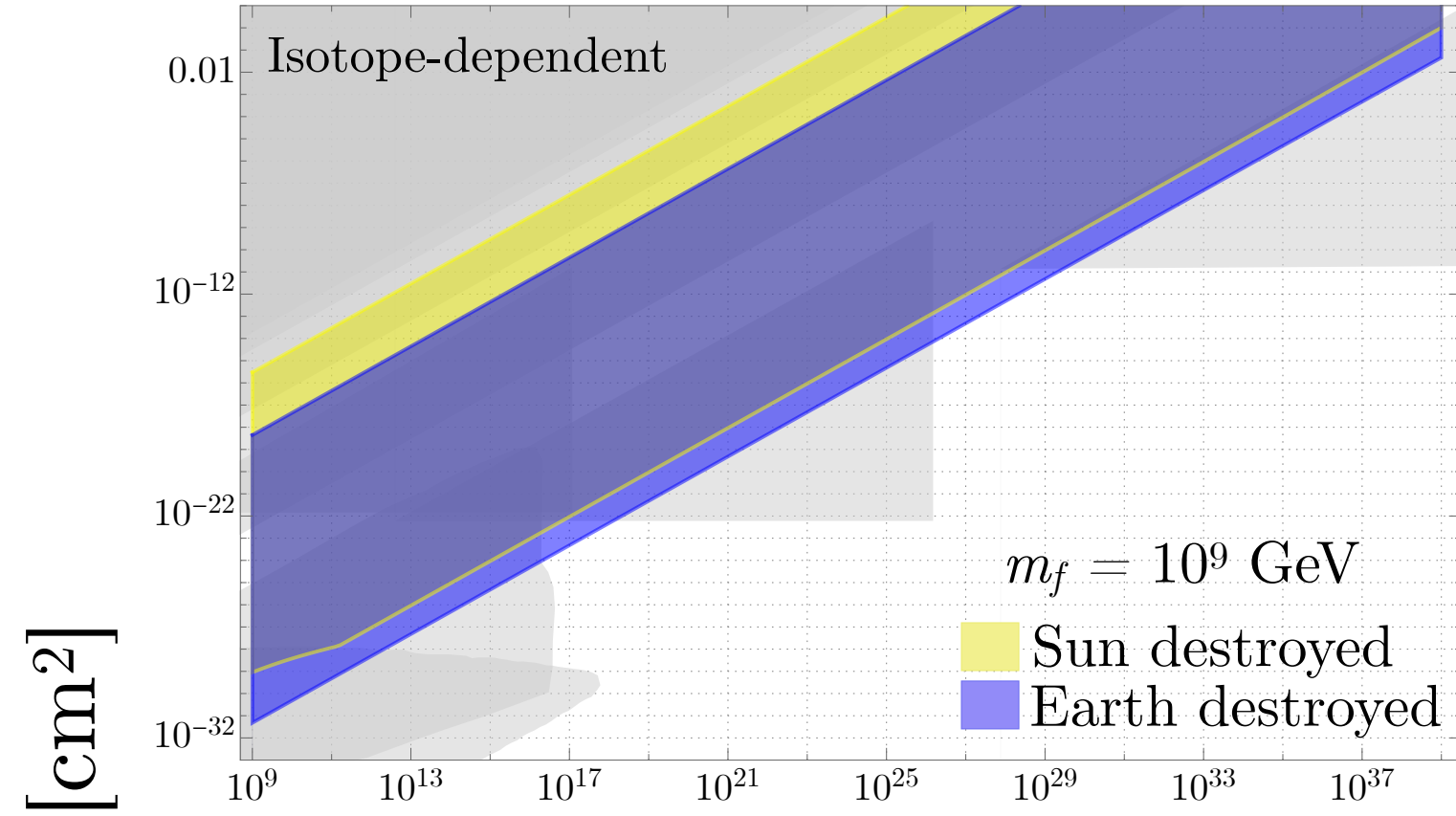
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J. Mareschal and C. Jaupart,  
*Heat Flow Measurements (2011)*





# DM Mass Unitarity Limit

Griest, Kamionkowski, '87

1. Assume freeze-out abundance set with annihilation

$$\sigma_0 \sim \text{picobarn} = 10^{-36} \text{ cm}^2$$

2. Require the annihilation cross-section not exceed a perturbative bound

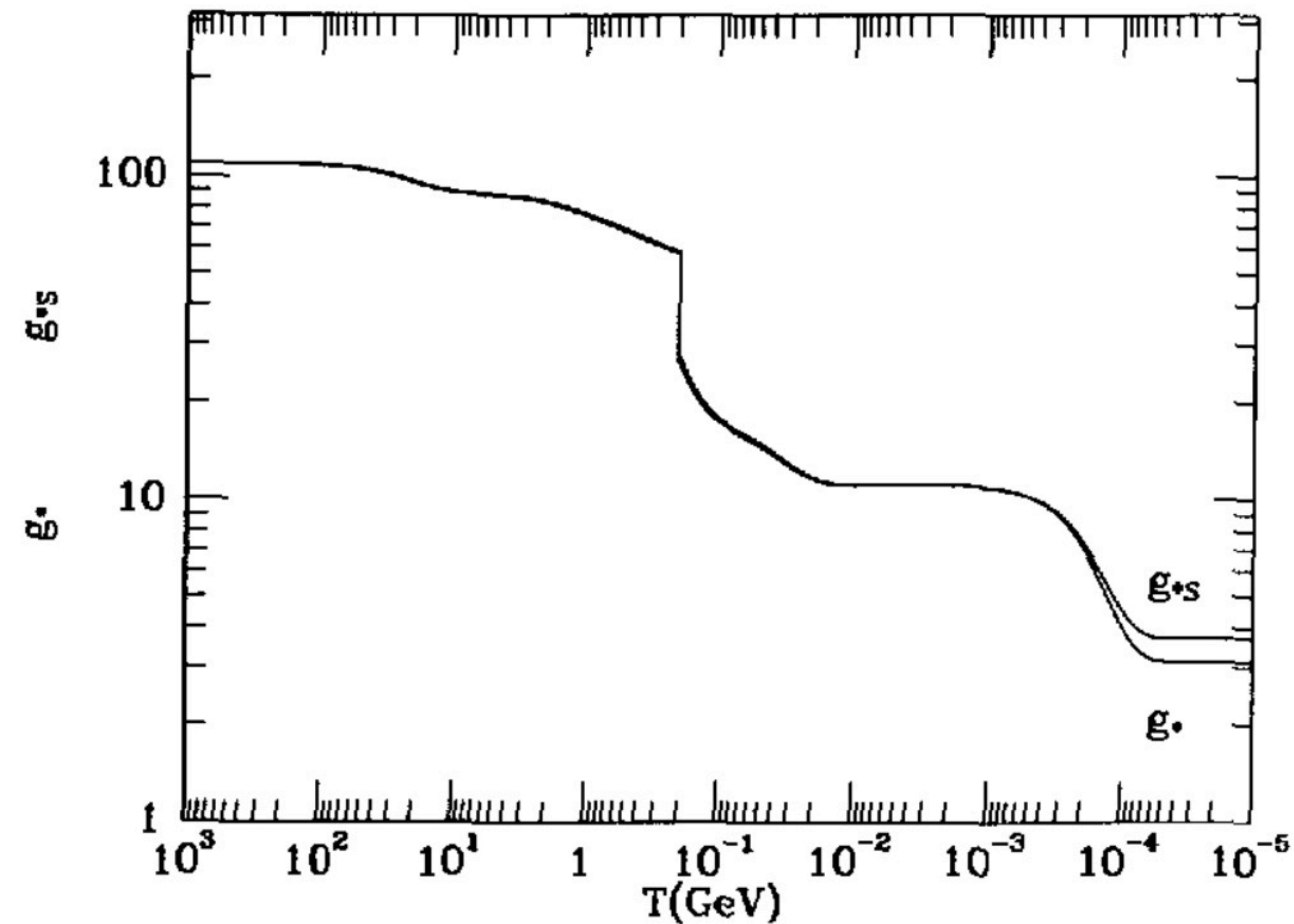
$$\sigma_0 \lesssim 4\pi/m_{\text{DM}}^2$$

3. Then because this cross-section is a picobarn for thermal freeze-out, the suggestion for frozen out dark matter mass is

$$m_{\text{DM}} \lesssim 100 \text{ TeV}$$



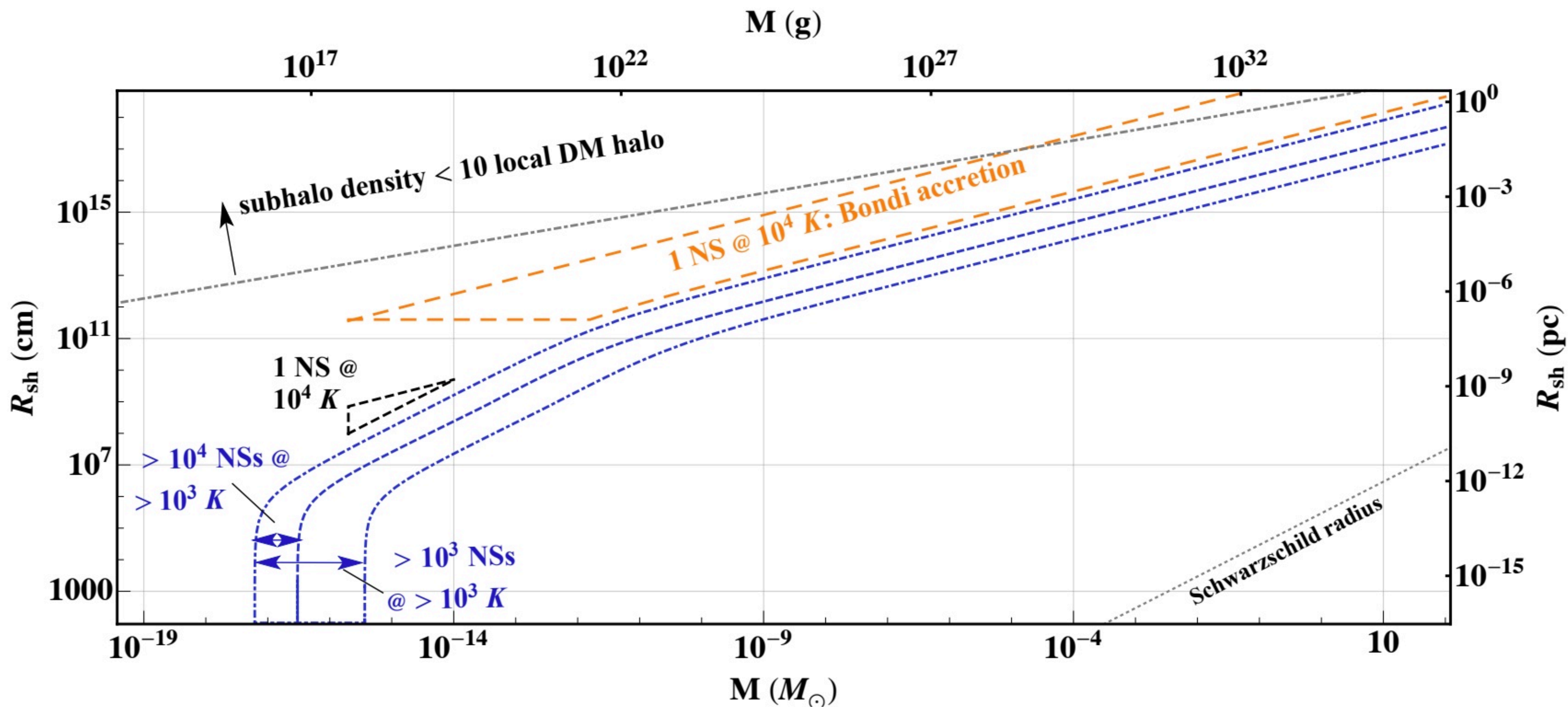
Unitarity mass limit does not apply to most cosmologies.  
Example: entropy changes in the early universe



Kolb and Turner 1988

Also: Matter domination, chemical potential, gravitational production, freeze-in, asymmetric reheating, direct production from decay, moduli fields, preheating...

# Prospects for DM detection using neutron stars I



# Prospects for DM detection using neutron stars II

