

Dark Matter Experiments - III

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Lecture 1 - Dark Matter Direct Detection part 1

Direct Detection Principle

Low-background Experiments

Experimental Landscape

Lecture 2 - Dark Matter Direct Detection part 2

Case Example: XENONnT

Application to Neutrino Physics

Lecture 3 - Dark Matter Indirect Detection

Dark Matter Production

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Dark Matter Indirect detection

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Dark Matter Production

The background of the slide is a detailed visualization of the cosmic web, showing a complex network of dark matter filaments and clusters of galaxies. The filaments are thin, dark lines that form a dense, interconnected structure. The clusters are represented by brighter, more concentrated regions of light, often containing many individual stars or galaxies. The overall color palette is dark, with shades of black, grey, and blue, punctuated by bright yellow and orange points of light.

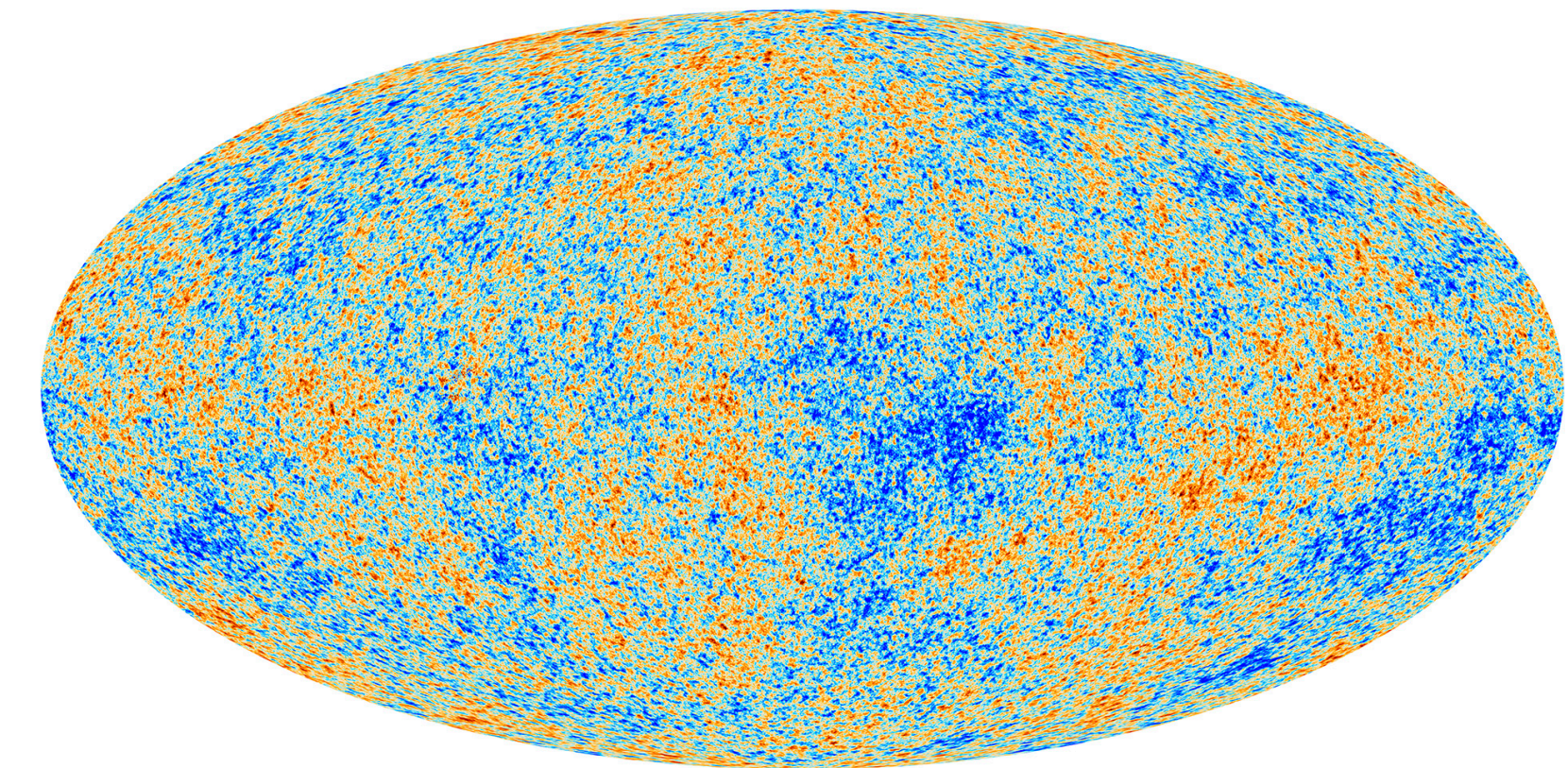
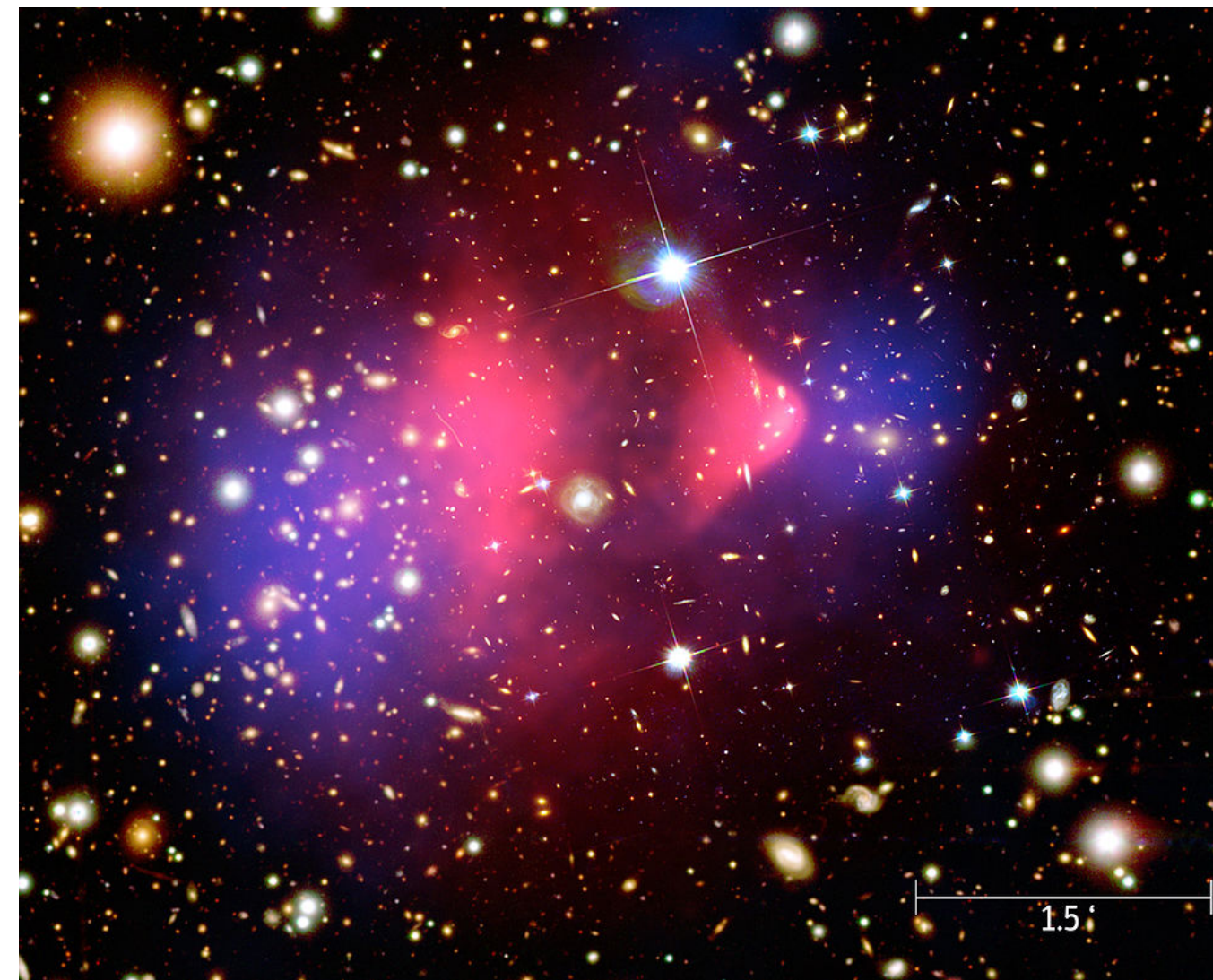
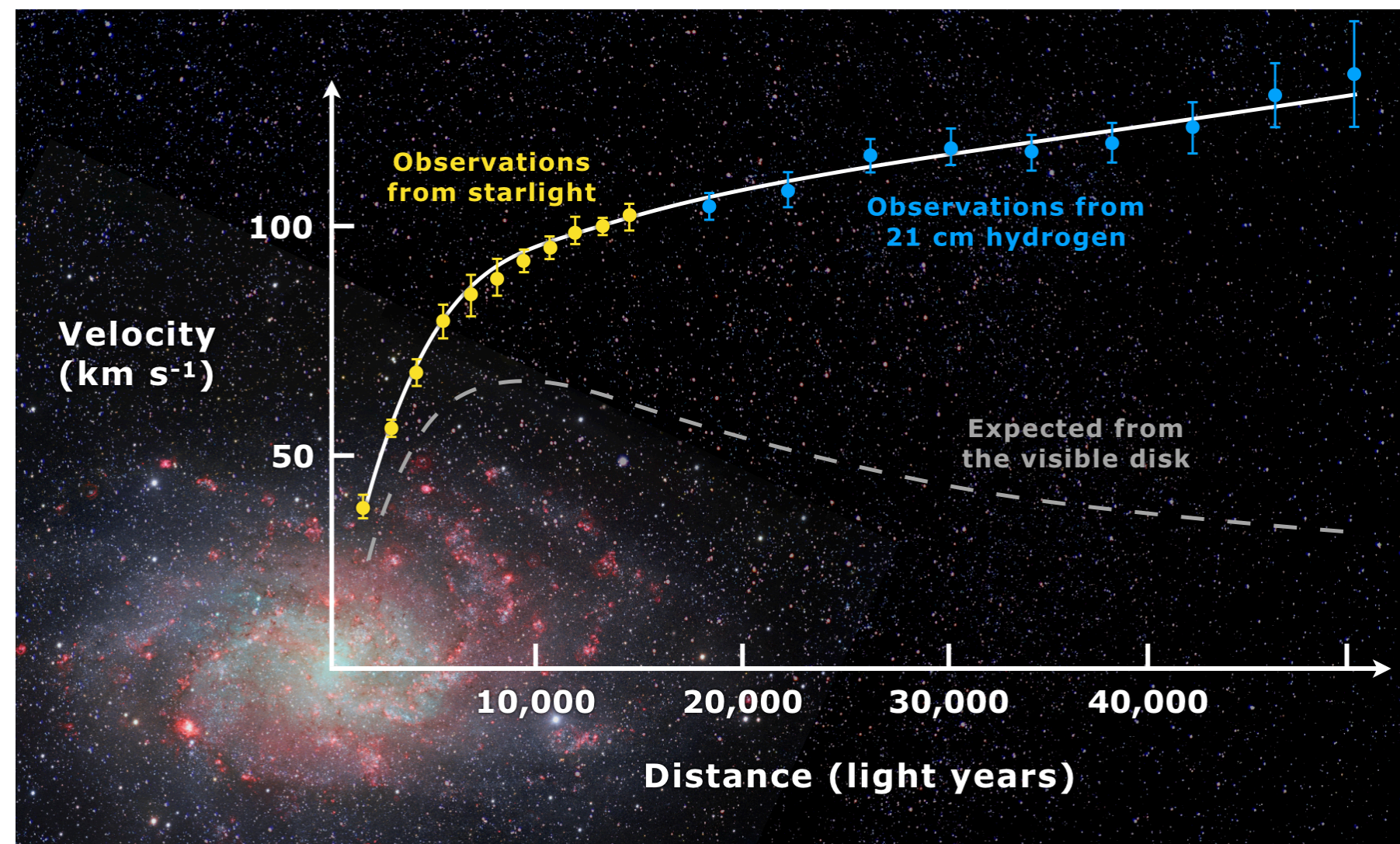
Dark Matter Indirect Detection

(For Dummies)

Concept of Indirect detection

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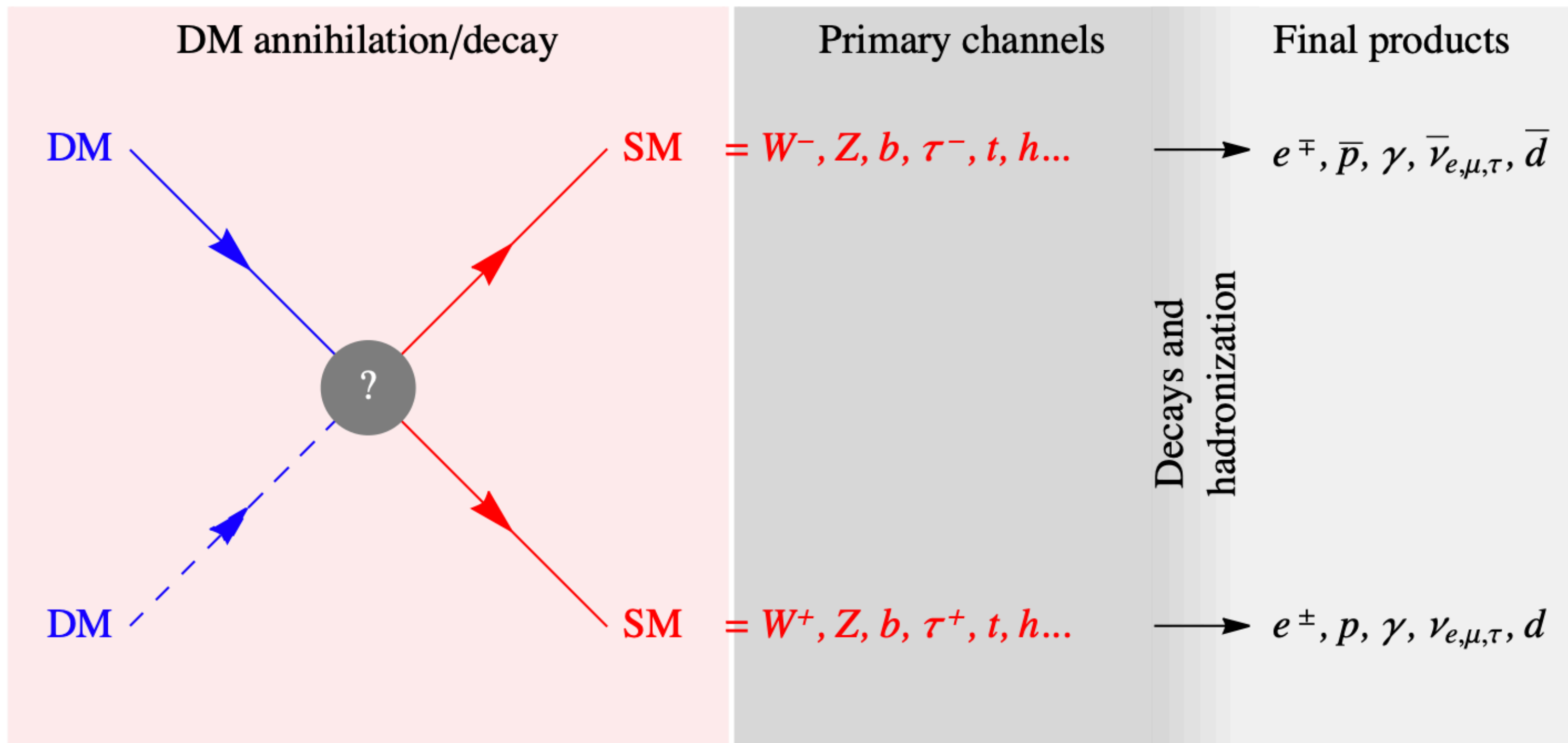
Multiple Astrophysical evidences for the presence of DM



But more can be done: Astrophysics can also be used to constrain DM particle properties!

Indirect DM Signature

- DM pair annihilation (or decay) resulting in measurable SM particles



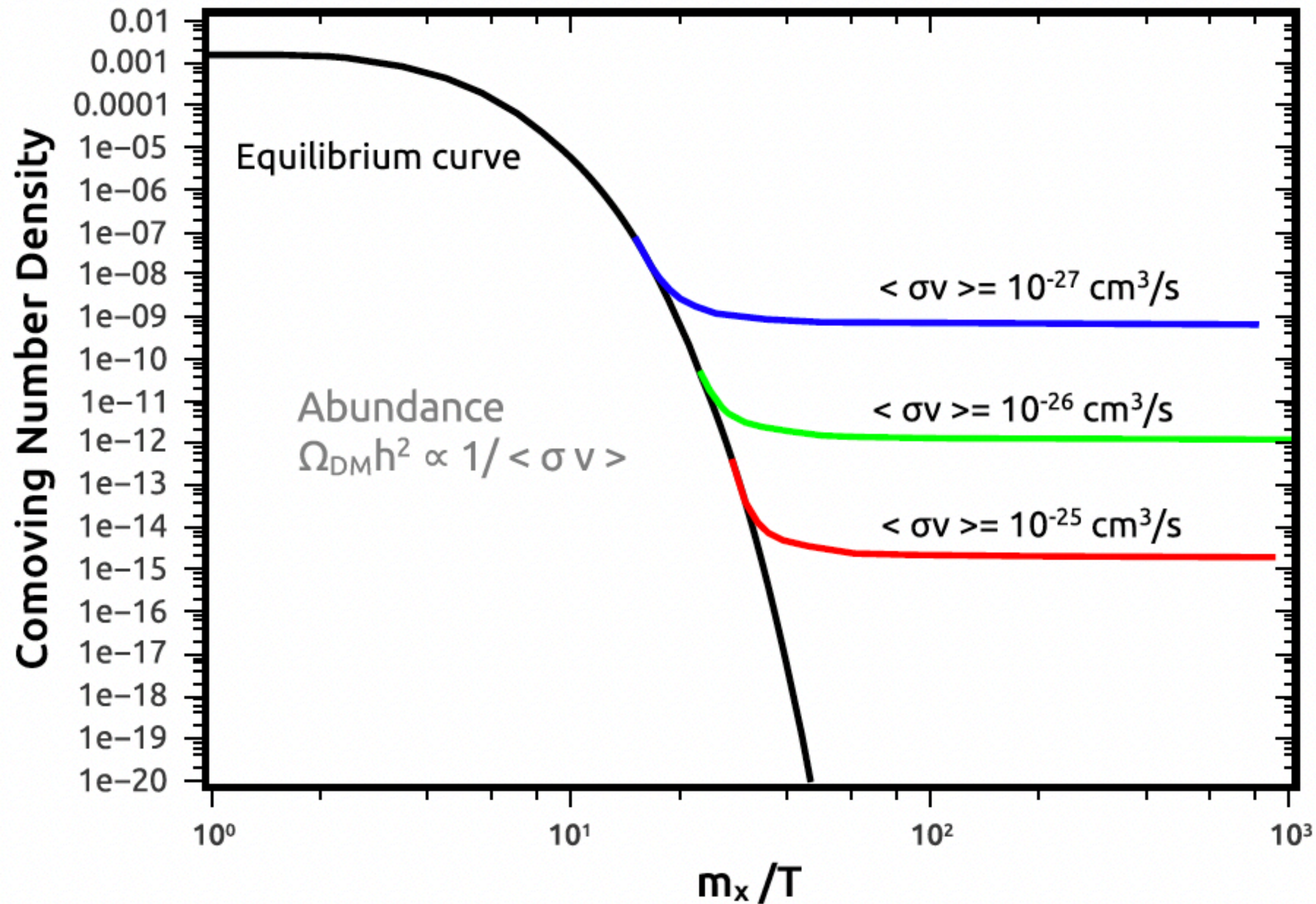
2-body primary channels

$e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-, \tau^+\tau^-, \nu_e\bar{\nu}_e, \nu_\mu\bar{\nu}_\mu, \nu_\tau\bar{\nu}_\tau,$
 $q\bar{q}, c\bar{c}, b\bar{b}, t\bar{t}, \gamma\gamma, gg,$
 W^+W^-, ZZ, hh

Concept of Indirect detection

Initial constrain from WIMP Miracle

G. Arcadi et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 78, 203 (2018)



- ✘ WIMP production | freeze-out
- ✘ Observed relic DM density related to the annihilation cross section

$$\Omega_\chi \propto \frac{1}{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{ann}}} \sim \frac{m_\chi^2}{g_\chi^4}$$

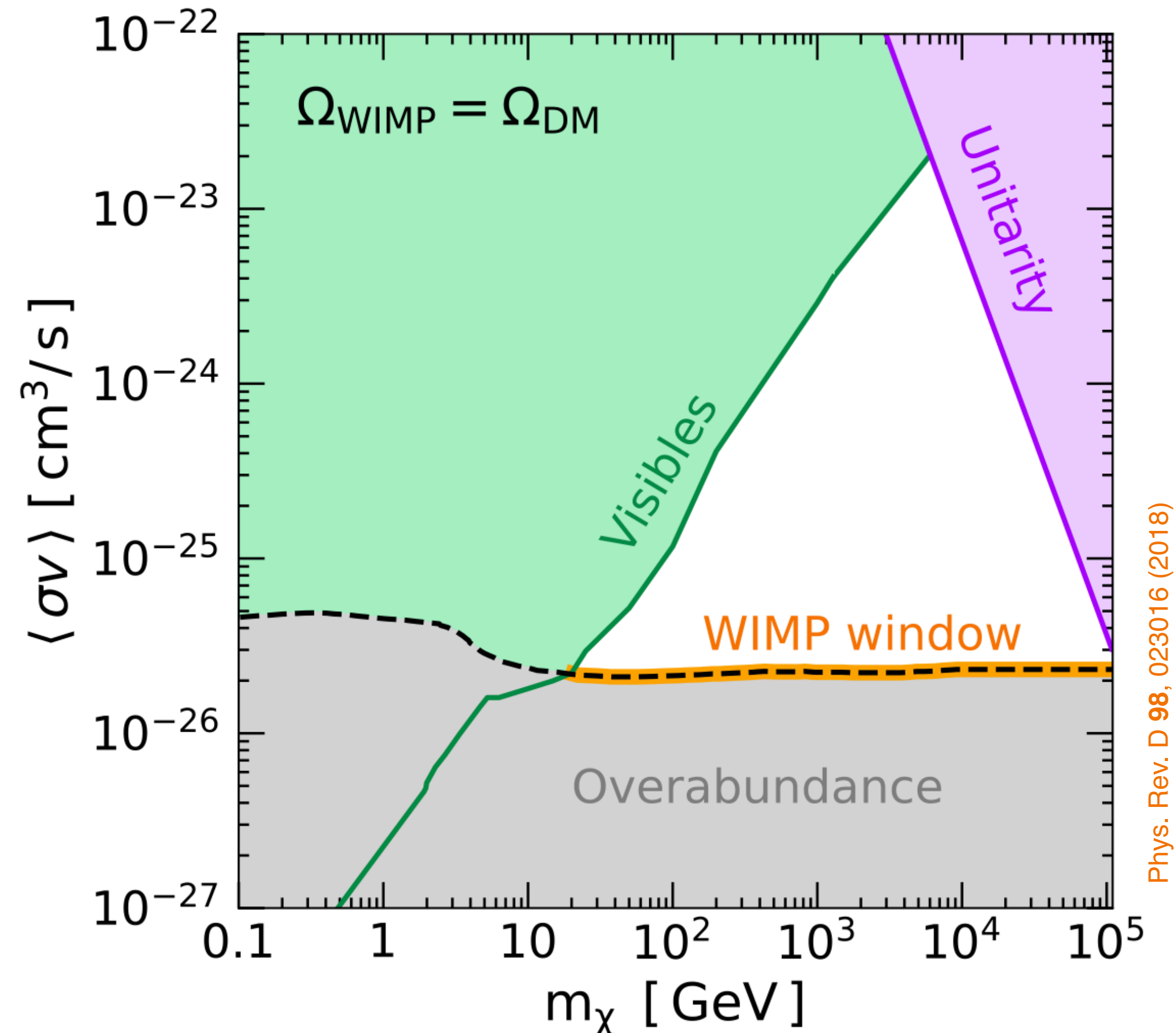
WIMP mass window

- ✦ Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

$$m_\chi > \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ MeV}$$

- ✦ Constrain on WIMP mass from Unitarity limit (s-wave)

$$m_\chi < 100 \text{ TeV}$$



Multiples channel (Multi-messenger) to probe indirect evidence of DM (signature)

- ✦ Indirect DM with cosmic rays
- ✦ Indirect DM with gamma rays
- ✦ Indirect DM with neutrinos
- ✦ DM in the stars?
- ✦ And many more...

My goal here, will be to present only a sub-set of the experiment looking for DM indirect detection via one of this channel. I might miss your favourite experiment in the process, sorry about that.

How to look for DM Ann. signature?

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Solid angle in the sky

Branching Ratio

Differential energy spectrum for a primary channel i

DM density

$$\frac{d\phi(\Delta\Omega, E)}{dE} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\langle\sigma v\rangle_{\text{ann}}}{2m^2} \sum_i B_r^i \frac{dN_i(E)}{dE} \times \int_{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\text{l.o.s}} \rho^2 dl d\Omega$$

Particle Physics

Astrophysics (J-factor)

\sum Contribution from 2-body primary channels

Account for the distribution of DM in the region of interest

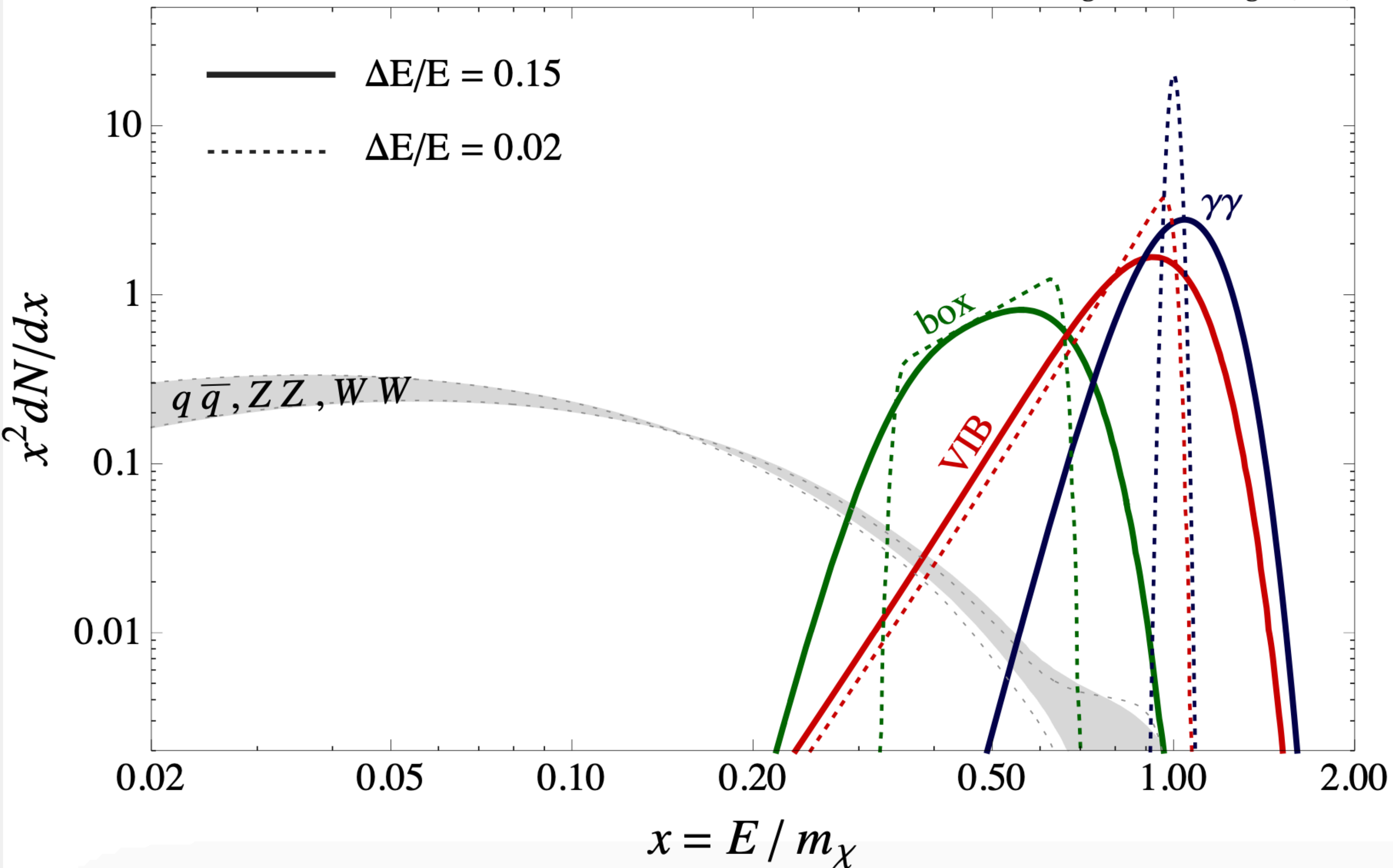
- ✦ Estimate the **differential flux** of DM annihilation product (γ , ν , ...) on Earth from a region of interest in the sky. (More detail for \neq product: [arxiv.org:2406.01705](https://arxiv.org/abs/2406.01705))
- ✦ Measuring lower limit on flux \rightarrow derive lower limit on annihilation cross-section

How to look for DM Ann. signature?

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Initial slide from R. Laha

Bringmann & Weniger (2012)



✦ Different type of signal:

▶ Continuum:

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow q\bar{q}, Z\bar{Z}, W^+W^-$$

▶ **Box:**

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow \phi\phi; \phi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

▶ **Virtual internal Bremsstrahlung:**

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \gamma$$

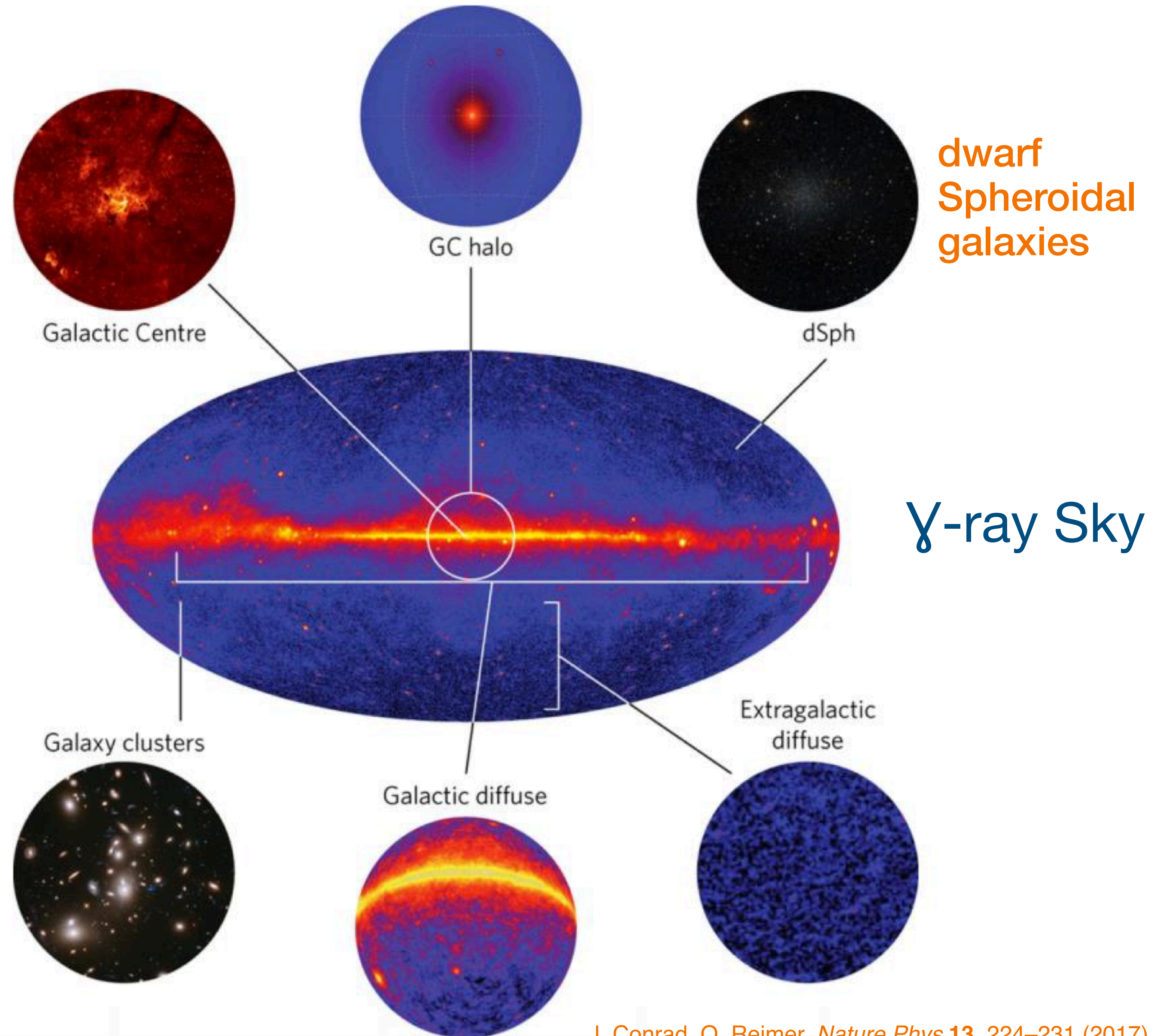
▶ **Line:**

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

Where to look for DM Ann. signature?

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- ✦ Regions with large density of DM
- ✦ But signal/ratio is also important!
(Low astrophysical background)



Different types of detectors for gamma rays:

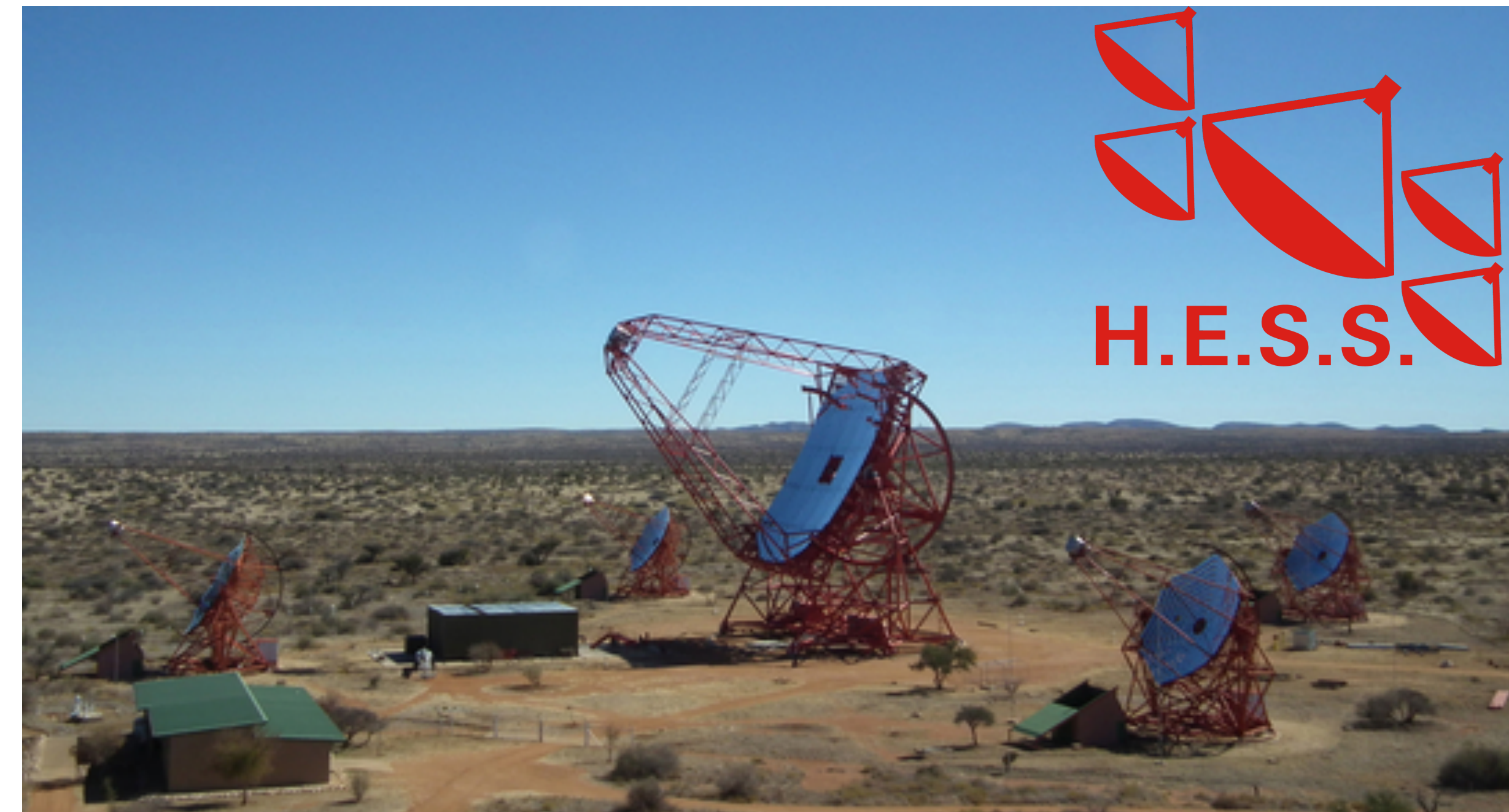
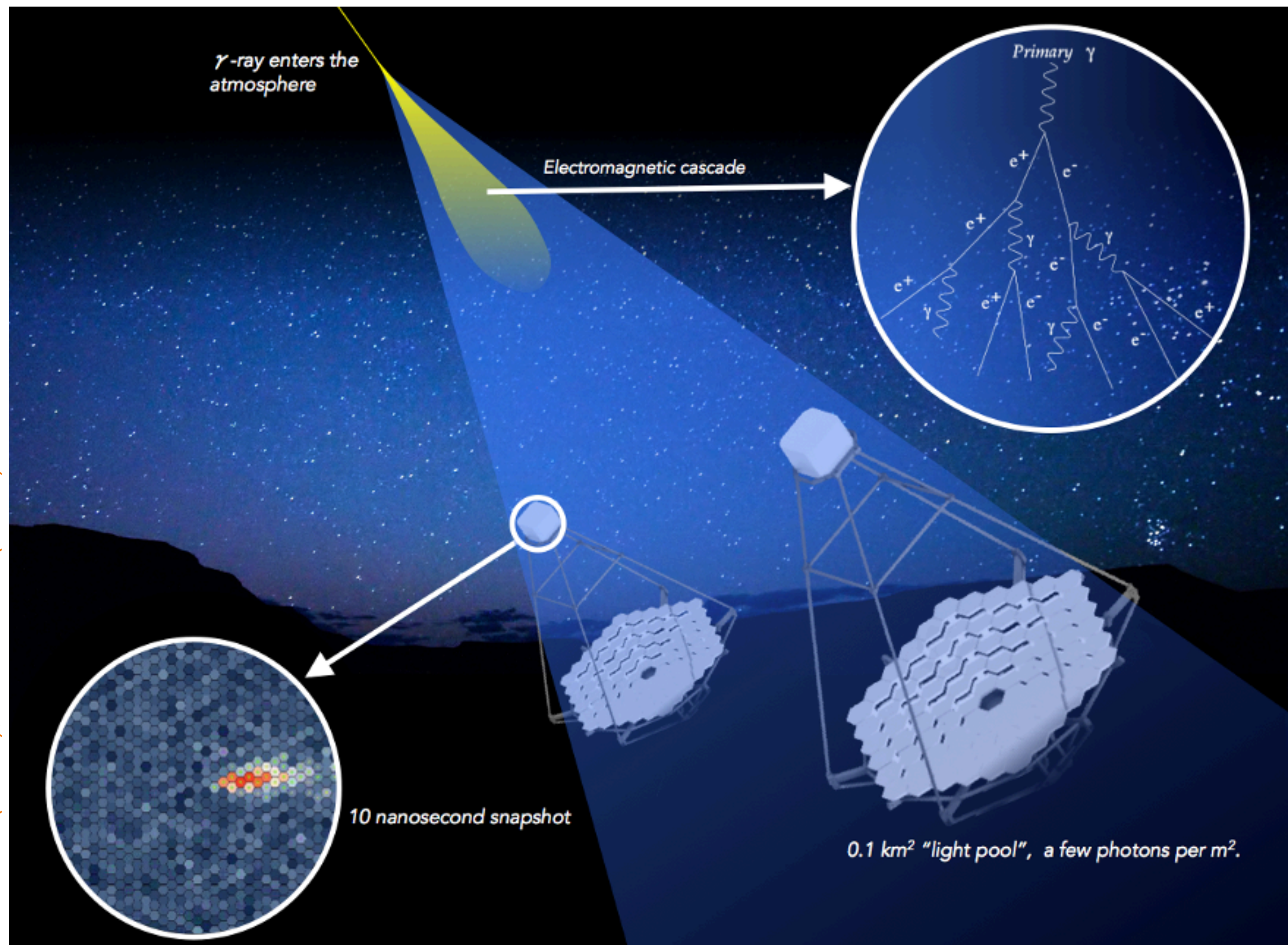
- ✦ Spatial experiments (like FERMI, AMS-02)
- ✦ Imaging atmospheric Čerenkov telescopes (H.E.S.S., MAGIC, VERITAS, CTA,...)
- ✦ Air Čerenkov telescopes (HAWC, MILAGO,...)

High Energy Stereoscopic System (H.E.S.S.) 14

✦ Ground based IACT:

- ▶ Energy range: 30 GeV - 100 TeV
- ▶ Location: Namibia
- ▶ Operating since 2003

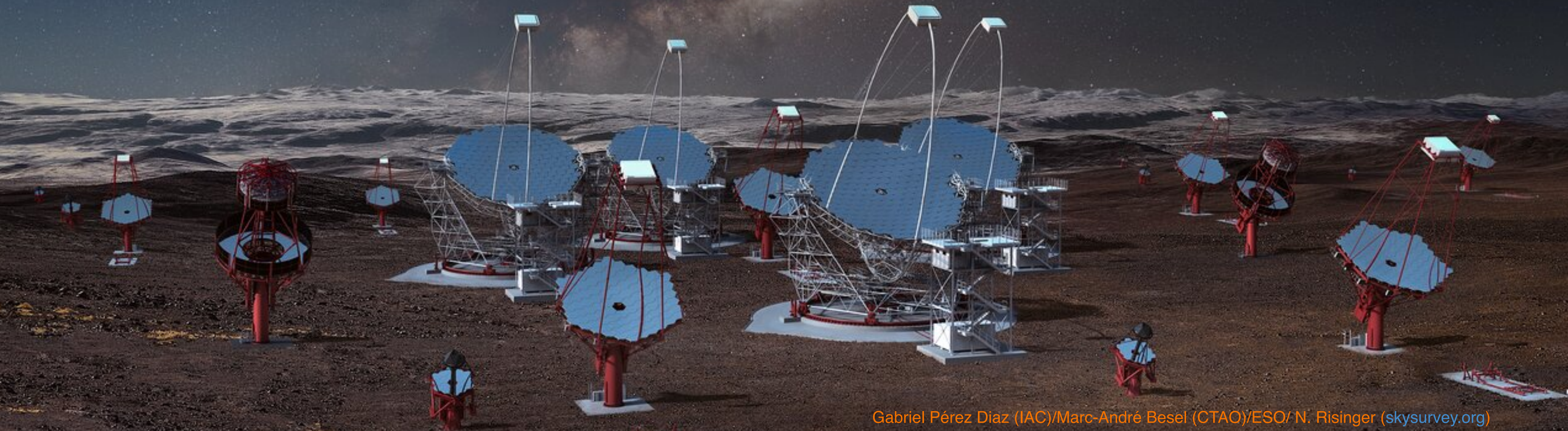
Imaging Atmospheric Čerenkov Telescope



Čerenkov Telescope Array (CTA)

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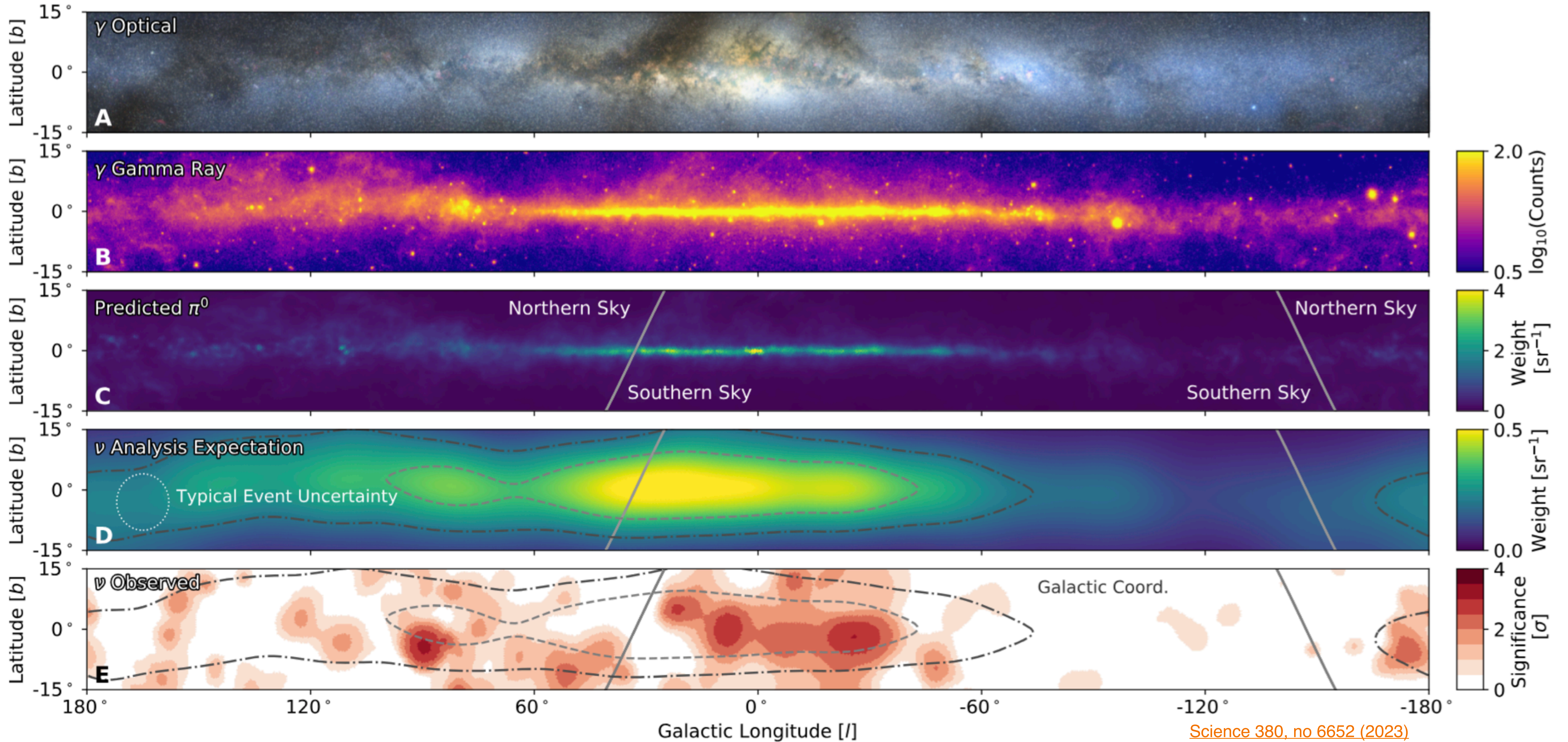
- ✦ Ground based IACT:
 - ▶ Energy range*: 50 GeV - 50 TeV
 - ▶ Location: Paranal (Chile), La Palma (Spain)
 - ▶ Future Telescope - Improved E-resolution



Types of detectors for neutrinos:

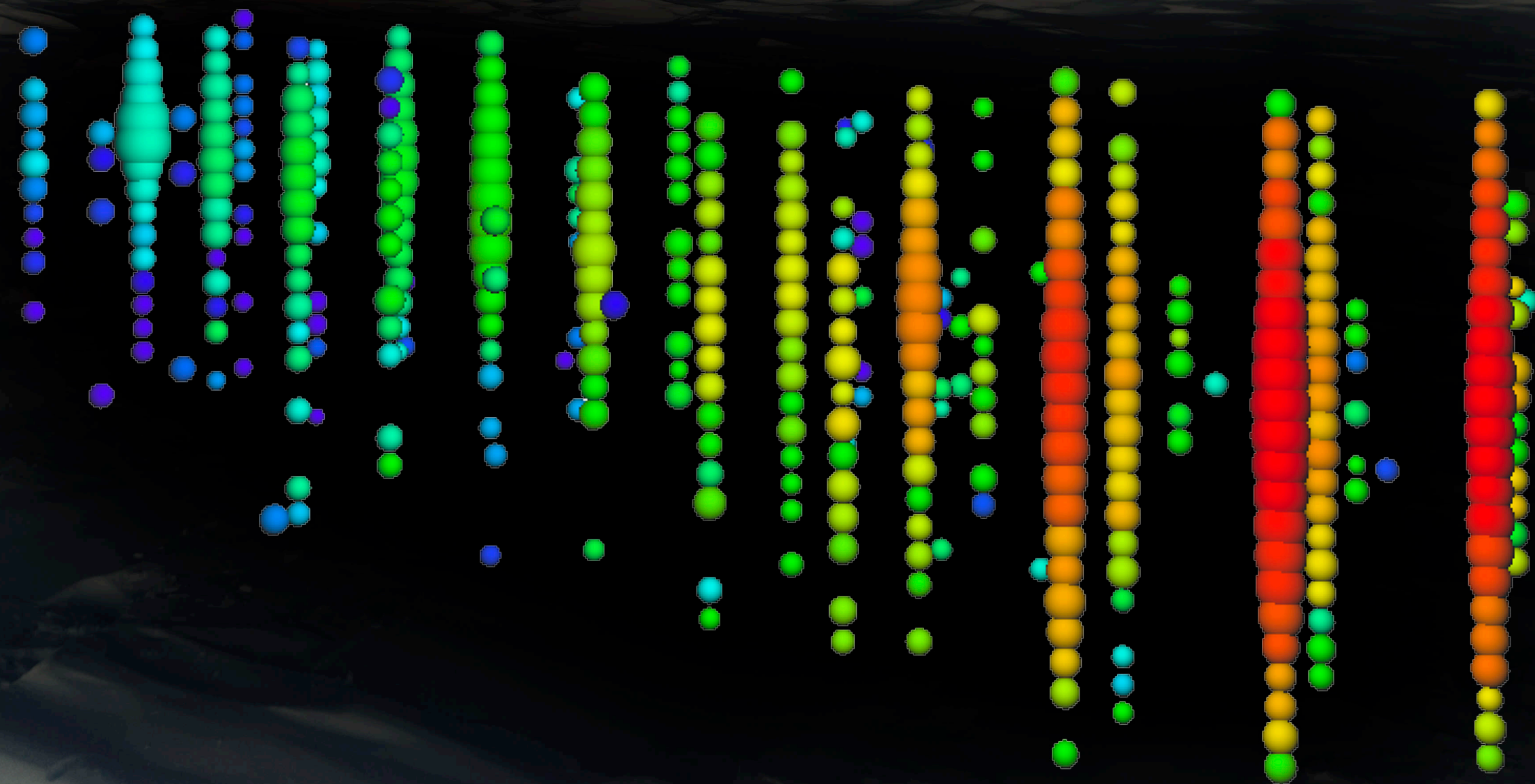
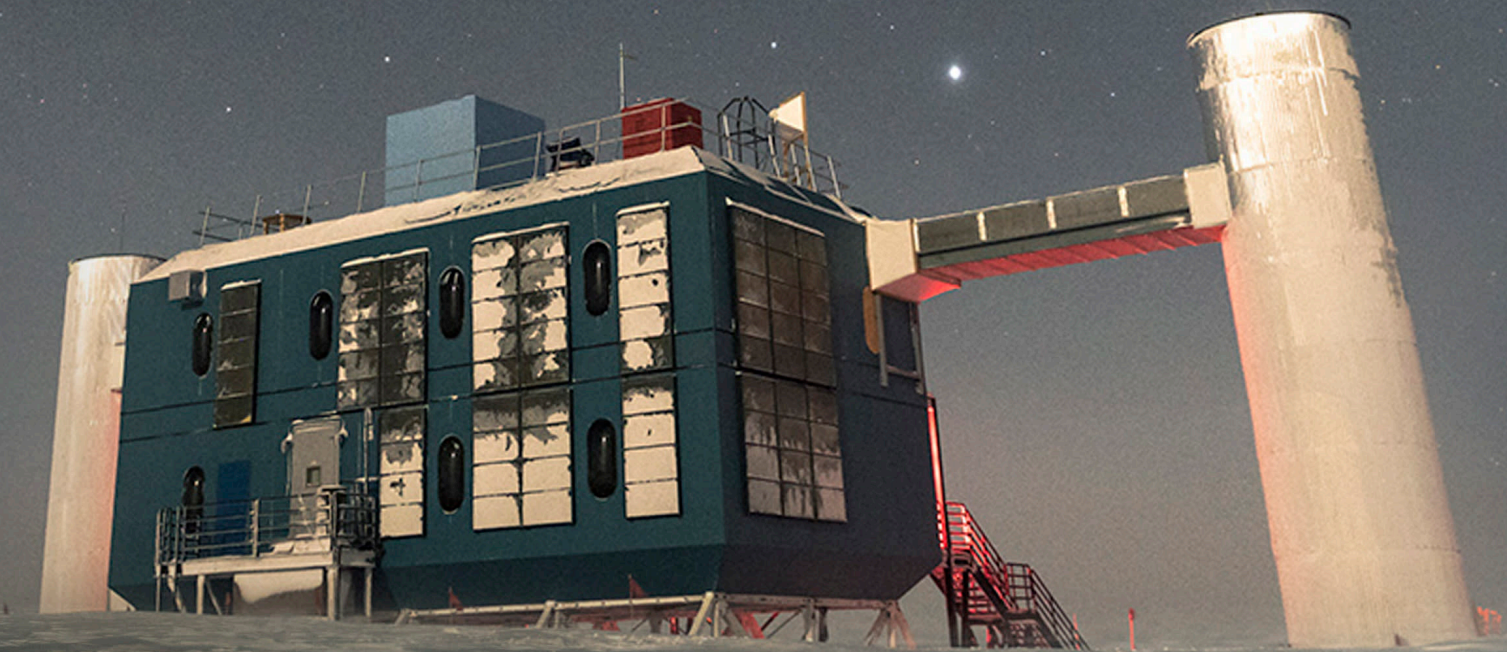
- ✦ Large Underground/Under-Ice/Under-Sea Čerenkov detectors (IceCube, BAIKAL, ANTARES, Super Kamiokande, KM3NET*)
- ✦ Detect Shower of secondary particles (e.g. muons)

Multi-messenger Era



✦ Under-Ice Large Čerenkov Telescope:

- ▶ Energy range: > 100 GeV
- ▶ Location: South Pole
- ▶ Operating since 2005



Credit: KM3NET

- ✦ Under-Sea Large Čerenkov Telescope:
 - ▶ Energy range: > 1 TeV
 - ▶ Location: ORCA (France) ARCA (Italy)
 - ▶ Under deployment



Credit: KM3NET

DM annihilation with Charged Cosmic Rays 20

Types of detectors for Charged Cosmic Rays:

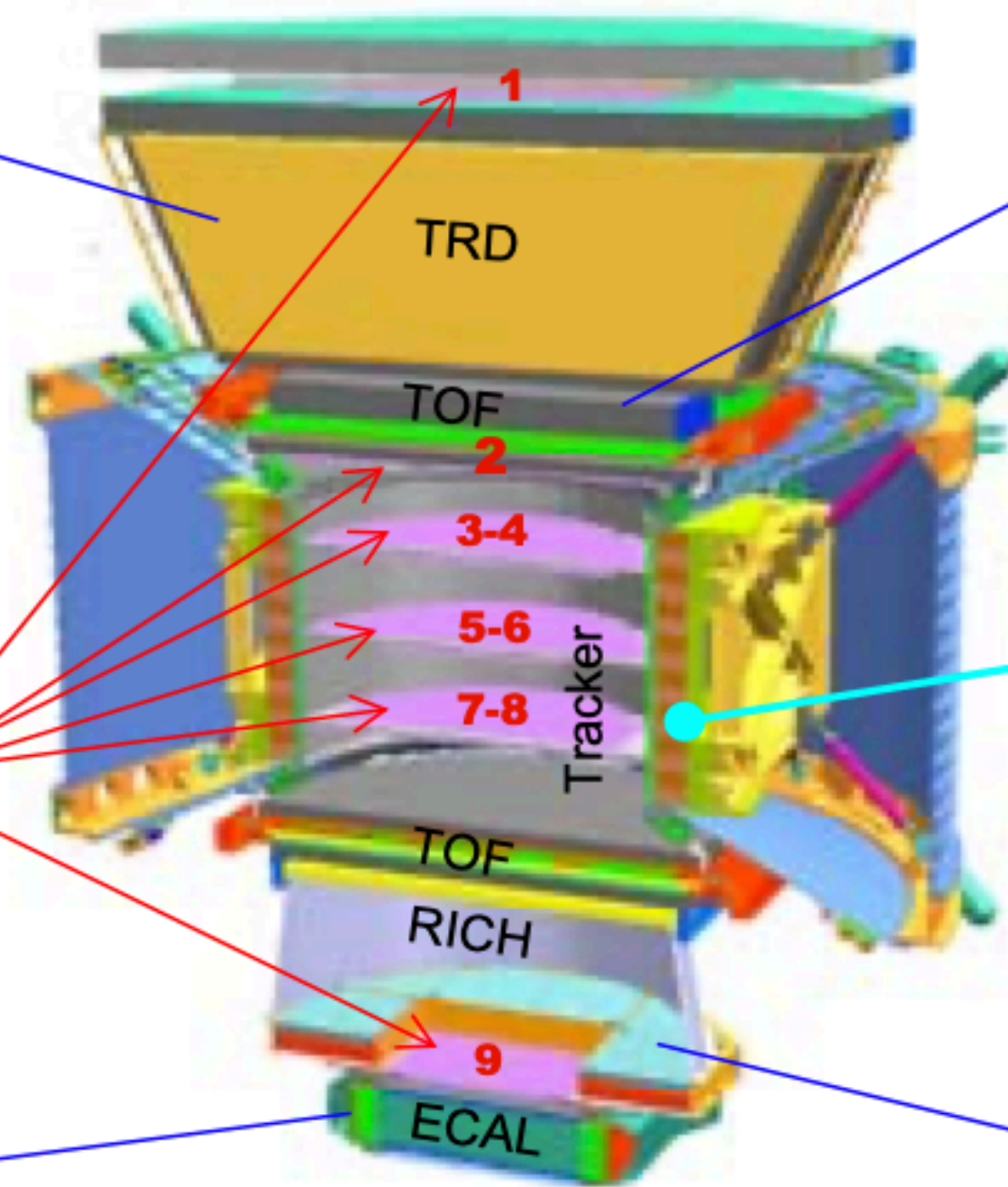
- ✦ Satellite (or spatial station) detectors, use magnetic field to distinguish between particles/anti-particles.
- ✦ Constrain from limited size

Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer:

- ▶ Energy range: 50 MeV - 2 TeV
- ▶ Location: ISS (Space)
- ▶ Operating since 2011

Multi-layer for Tracking & Calorimeter

Particles and nuclei are defined by their charge (Z) and energy ($E \sim P$)



TRD
Identify e^+ , e^-

TOF
 Z, E

Magnet
 $\pm Z$

Silicon Tracker
 Z, P

RICH
 Z, E

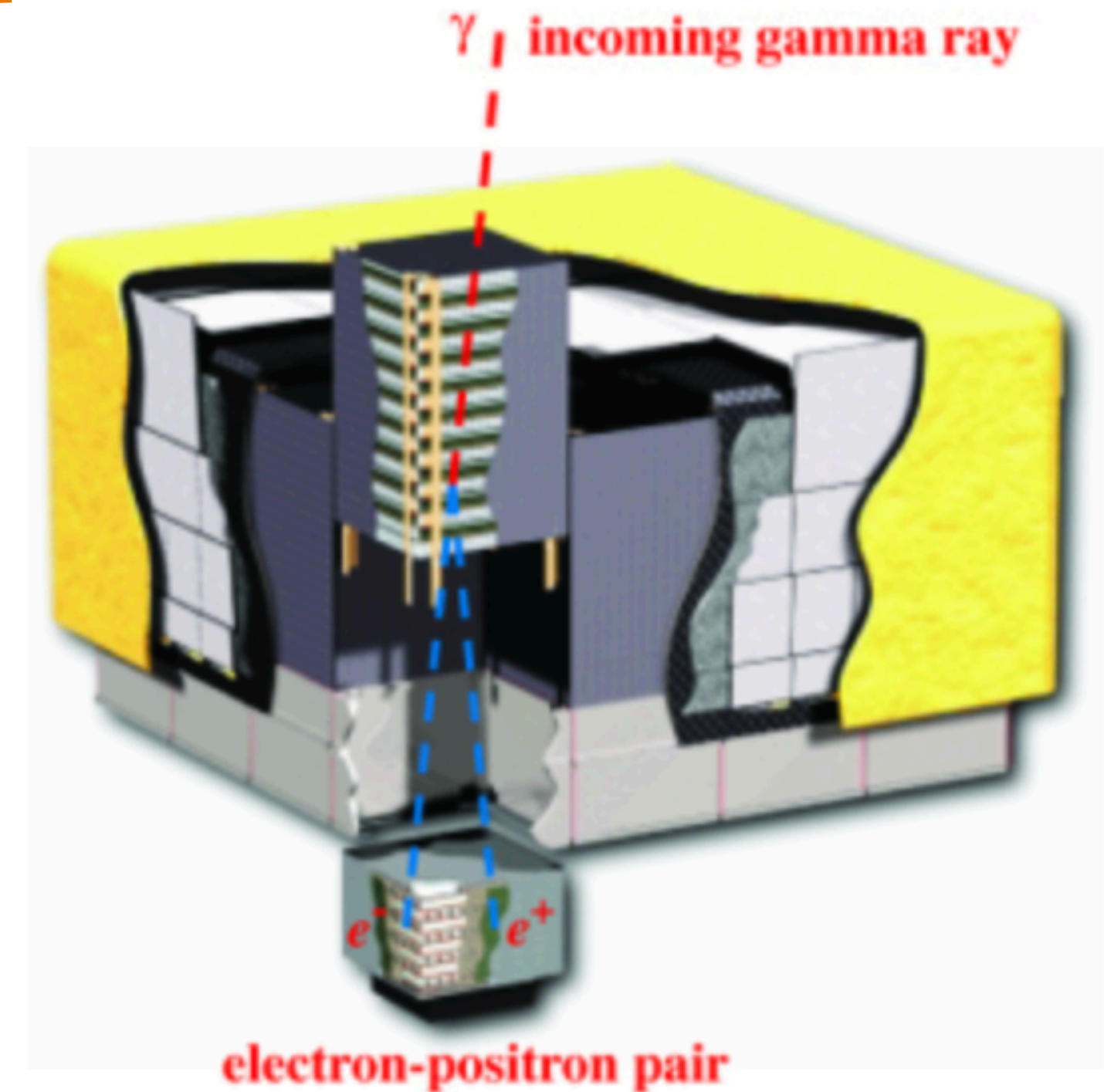
ECAL
 E of e^+ , e^- , γ

Z, P are measured independently from Tracker, RICH, TOF and ECAL

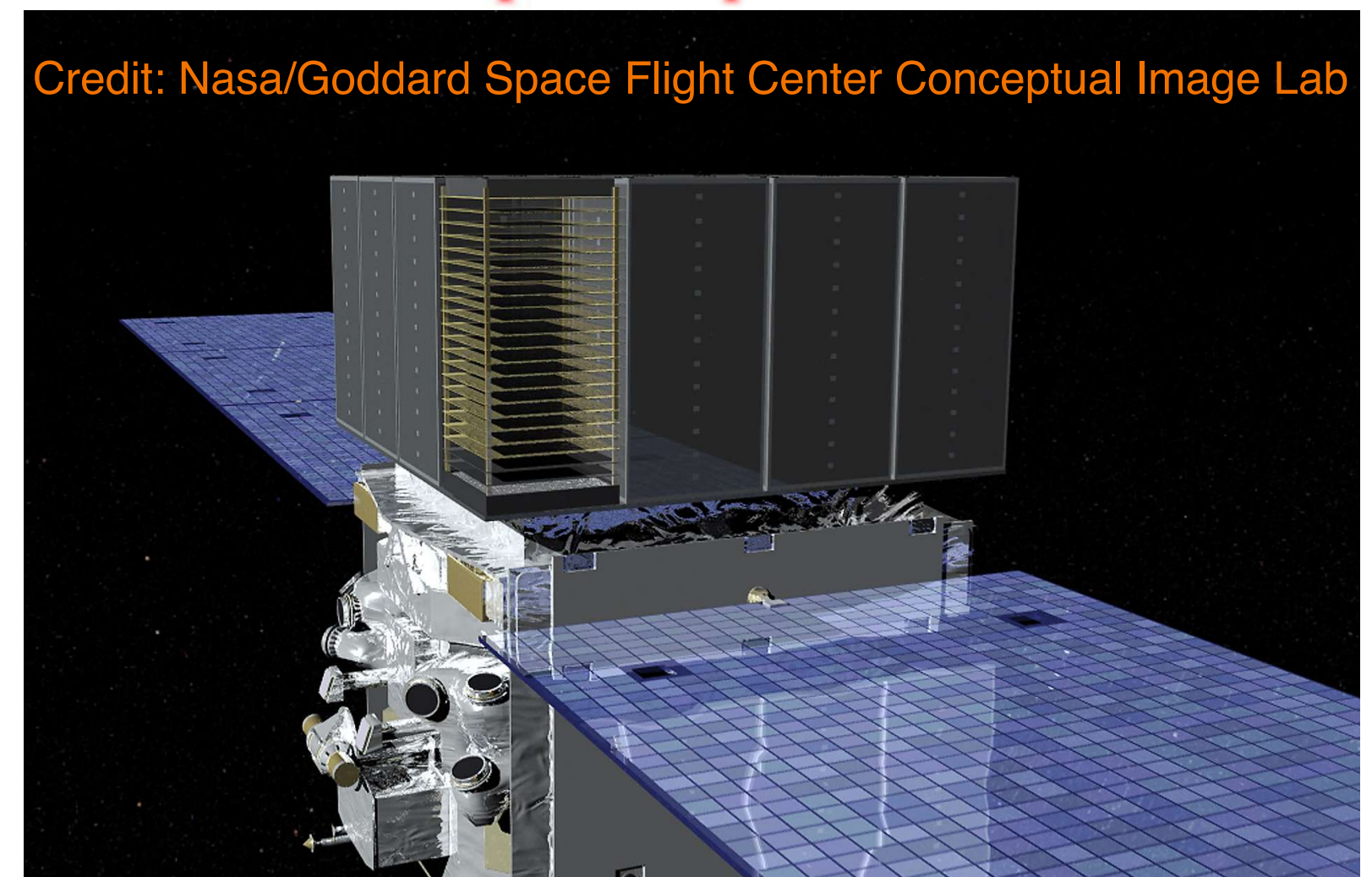


✦ Gamma Ray Telescope

- ▶ Energy range: 20 MeV - 500 GeV
- ▶ Location: Space - Satellite
- ▶ Operating since 2008
- ▶ Can also detect charged cosmic rays using Earth magnetic field



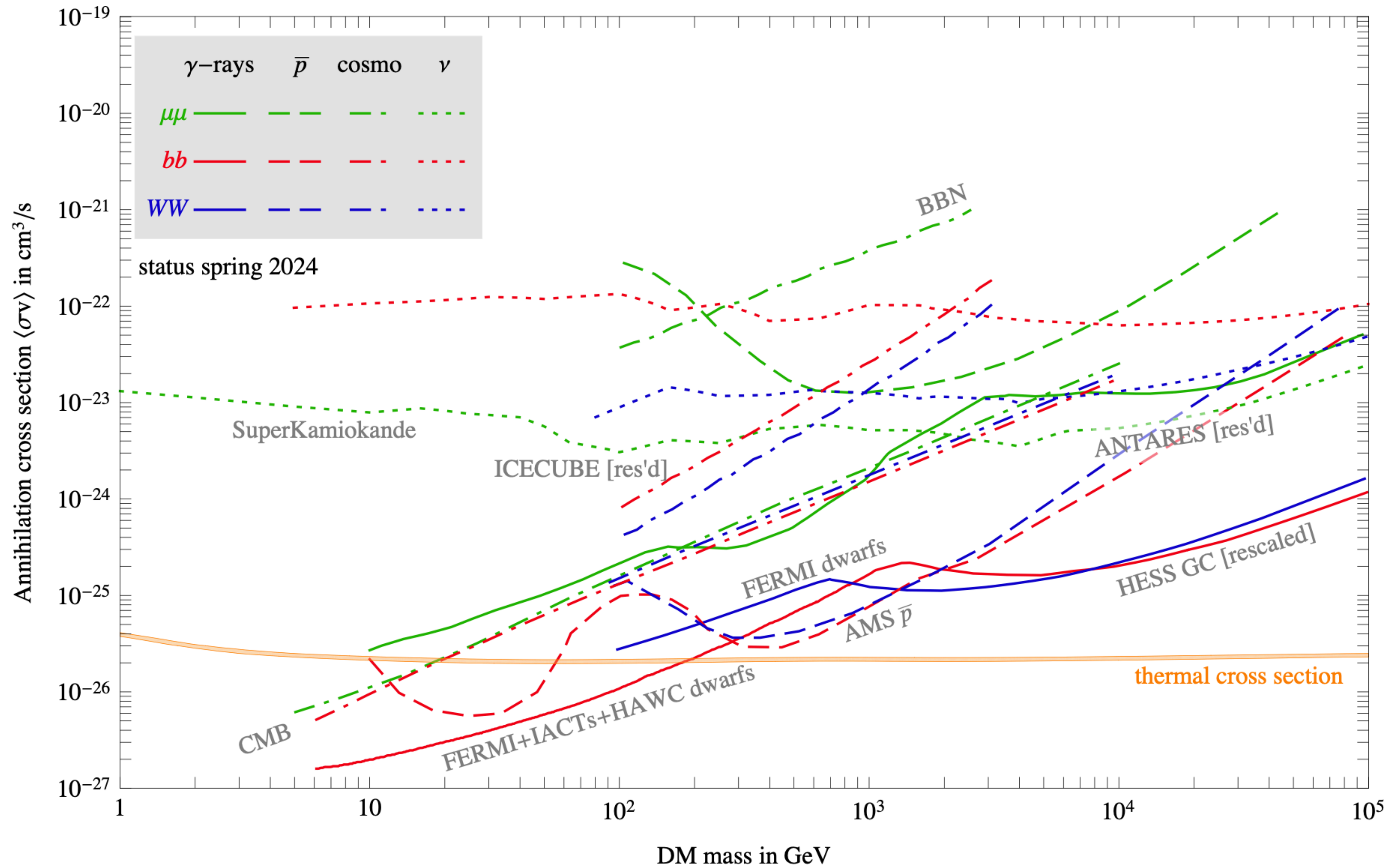
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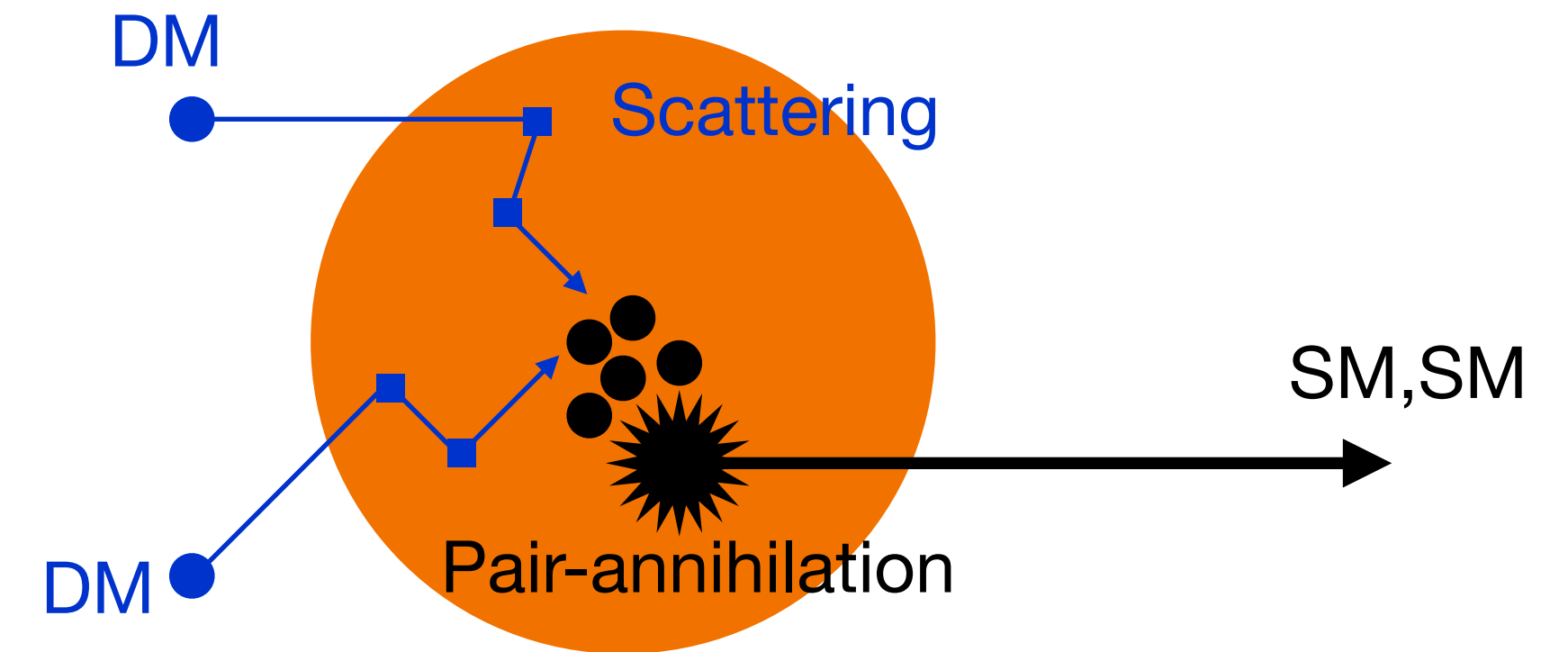
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Indirect DM search status

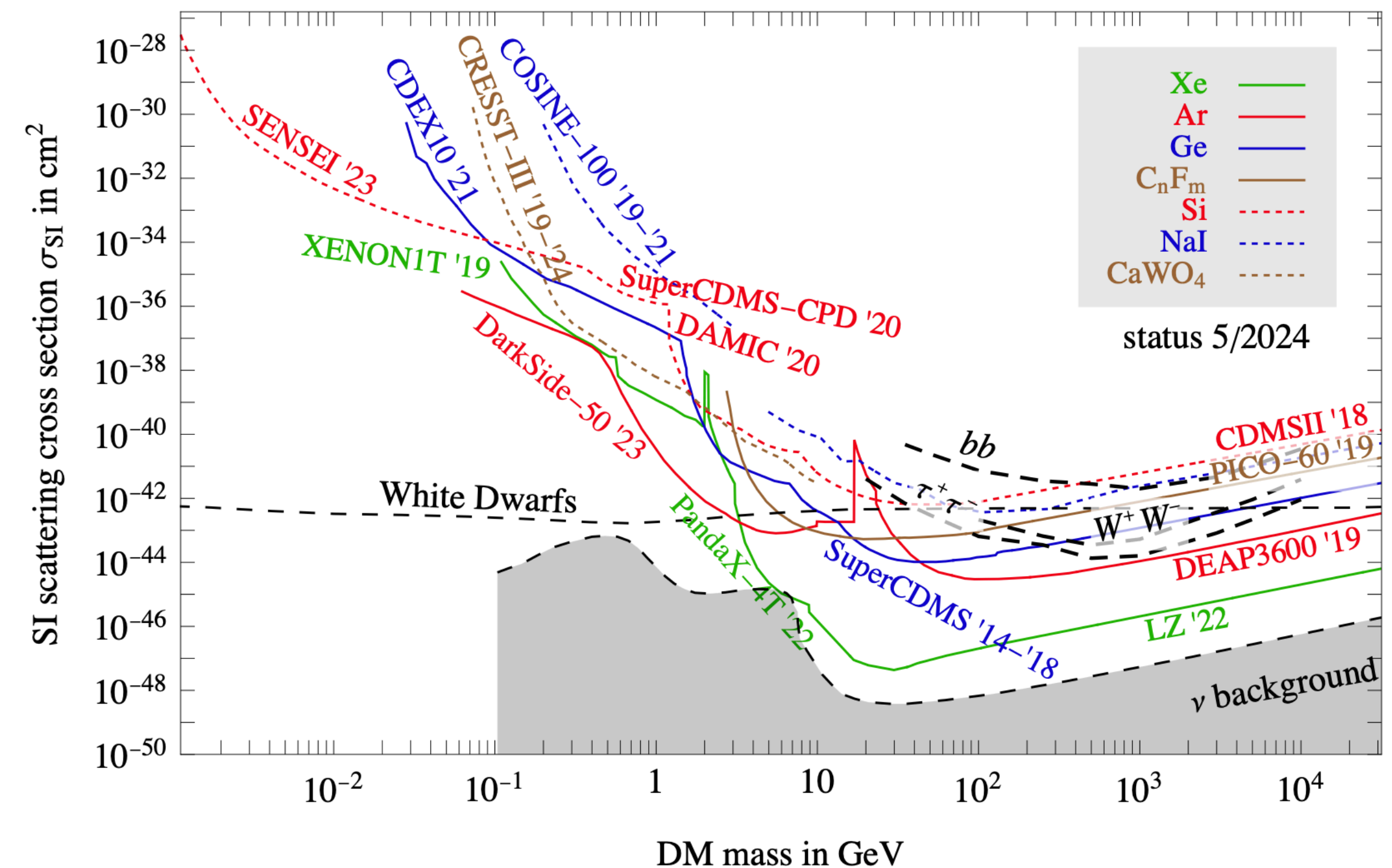
All Indirect Detection constraints



- ✦ Sun | Neutron stars | White Dwarfs
 - ▶ DM loses energy by scattering in the star and get gravitationally bound to the star
 - ▶ Accumulation of DM → Annihilation
 - ▶ At equilibrium, relation between annihilation and capture rate
 - ▶ Can probe same quantity as DM direct detection experiment



Direct Detection constraints on SI scattering [arXiv:2406.01705](https://arxiv.org/abs/2406.01705)

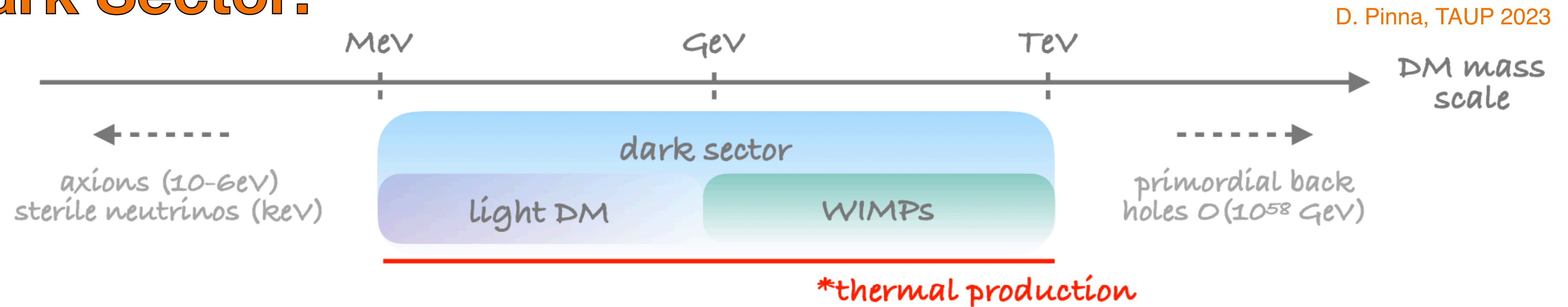


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Dark Matter Production

(For Dummies)²

Probing the Dark Sector:

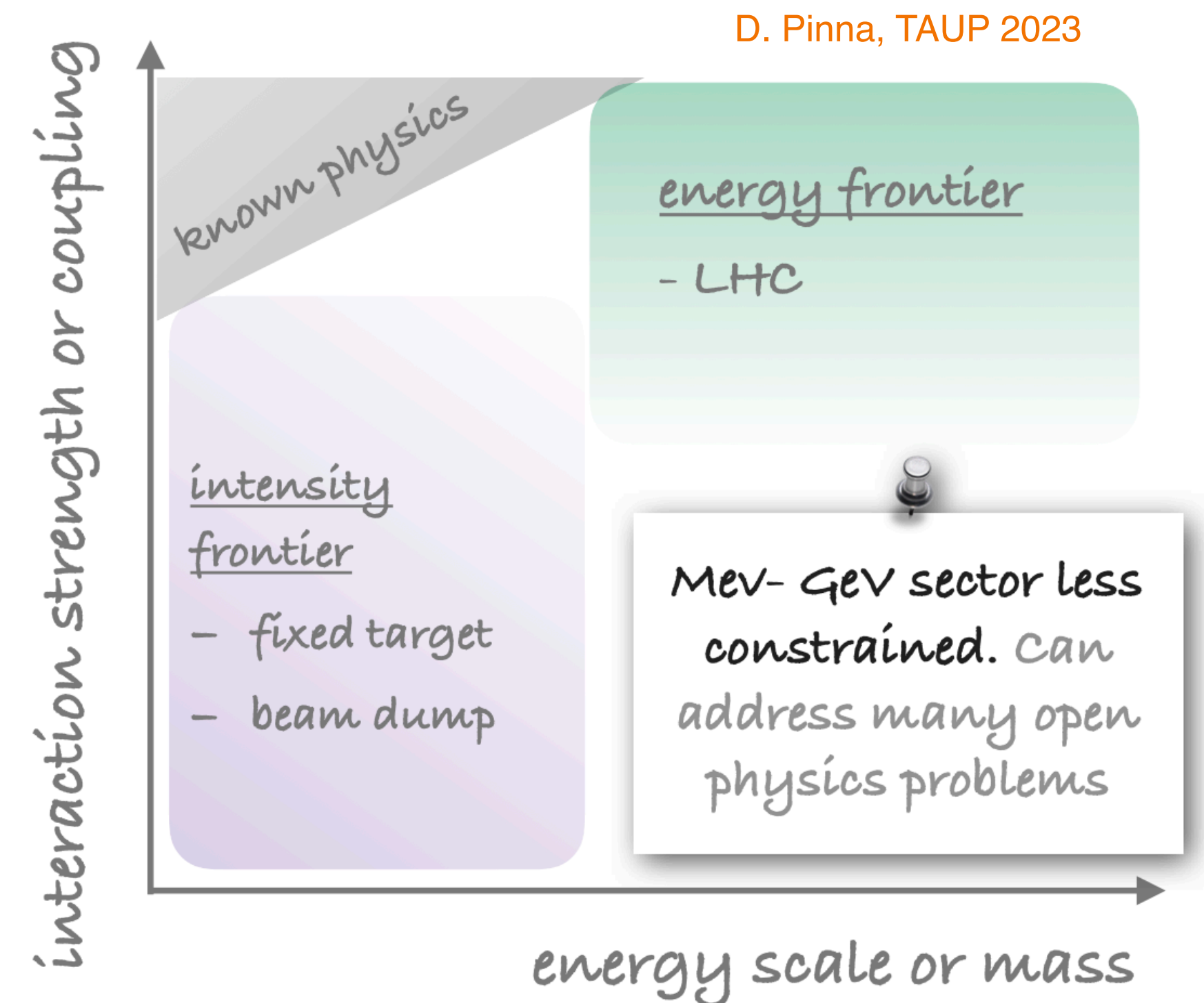


Accelerators experiments (**Energy Frontier**)

- ▶ Missing transverse momentum (MET)
- ▶ Signature of Mediator (Resonance)

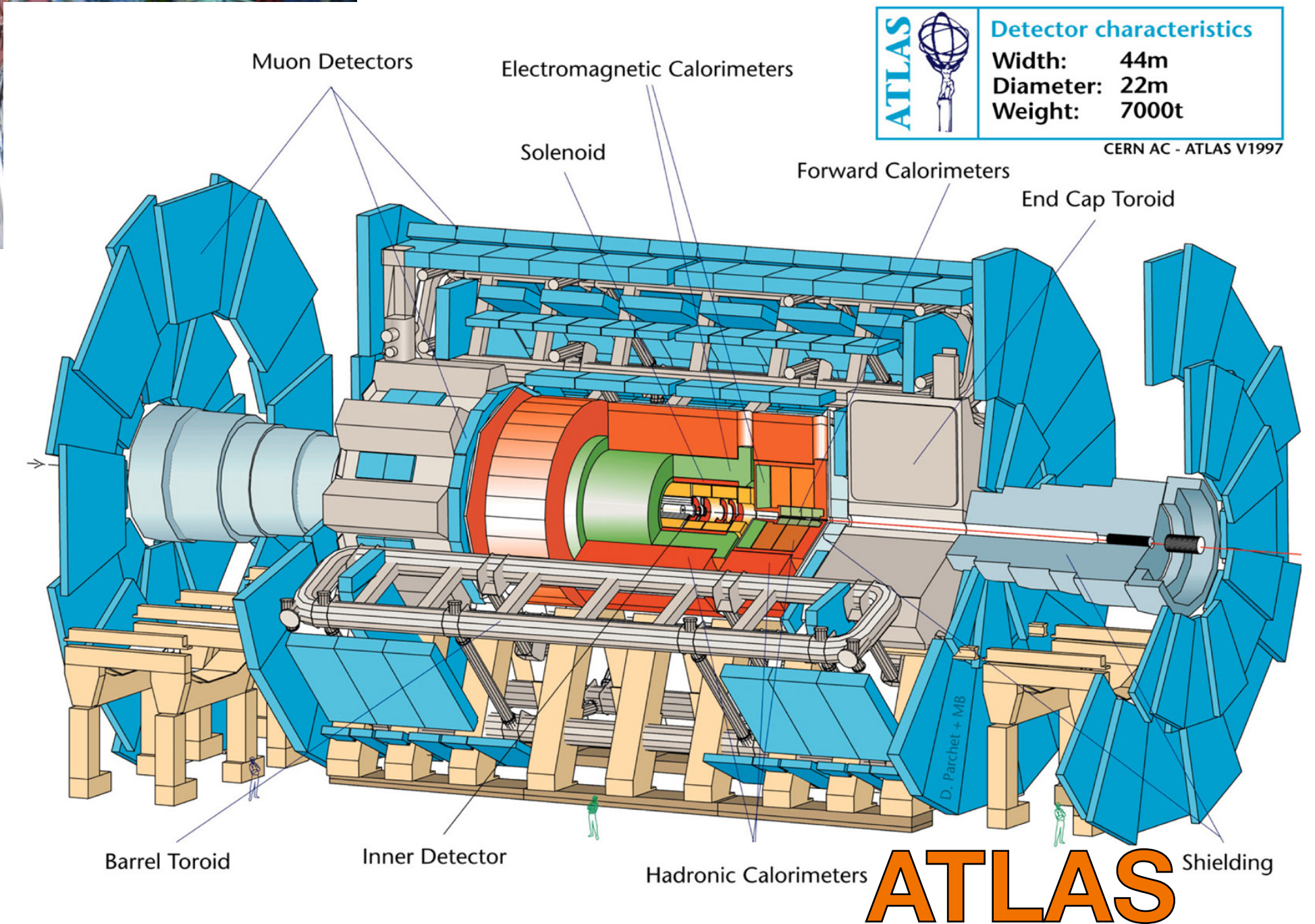
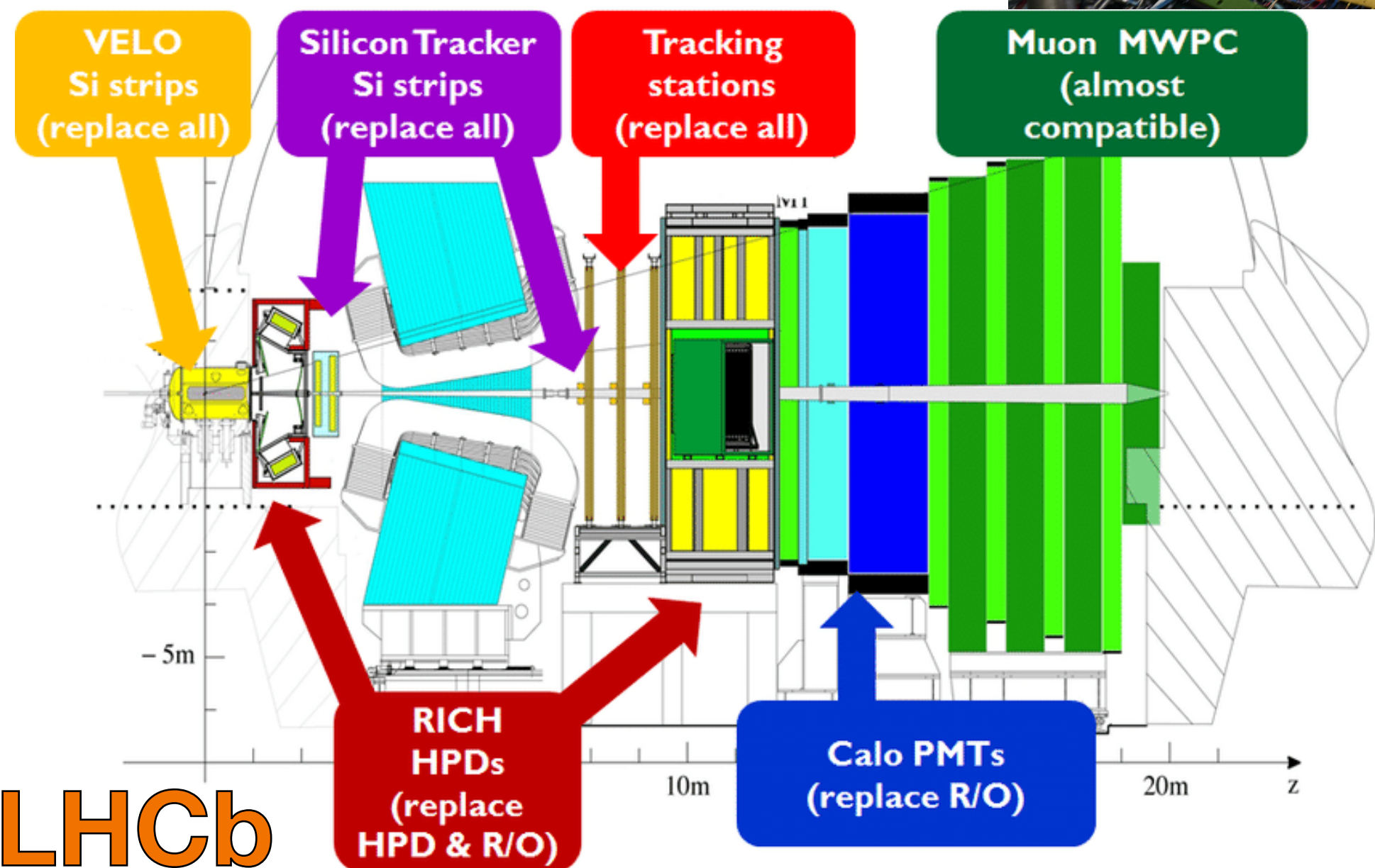
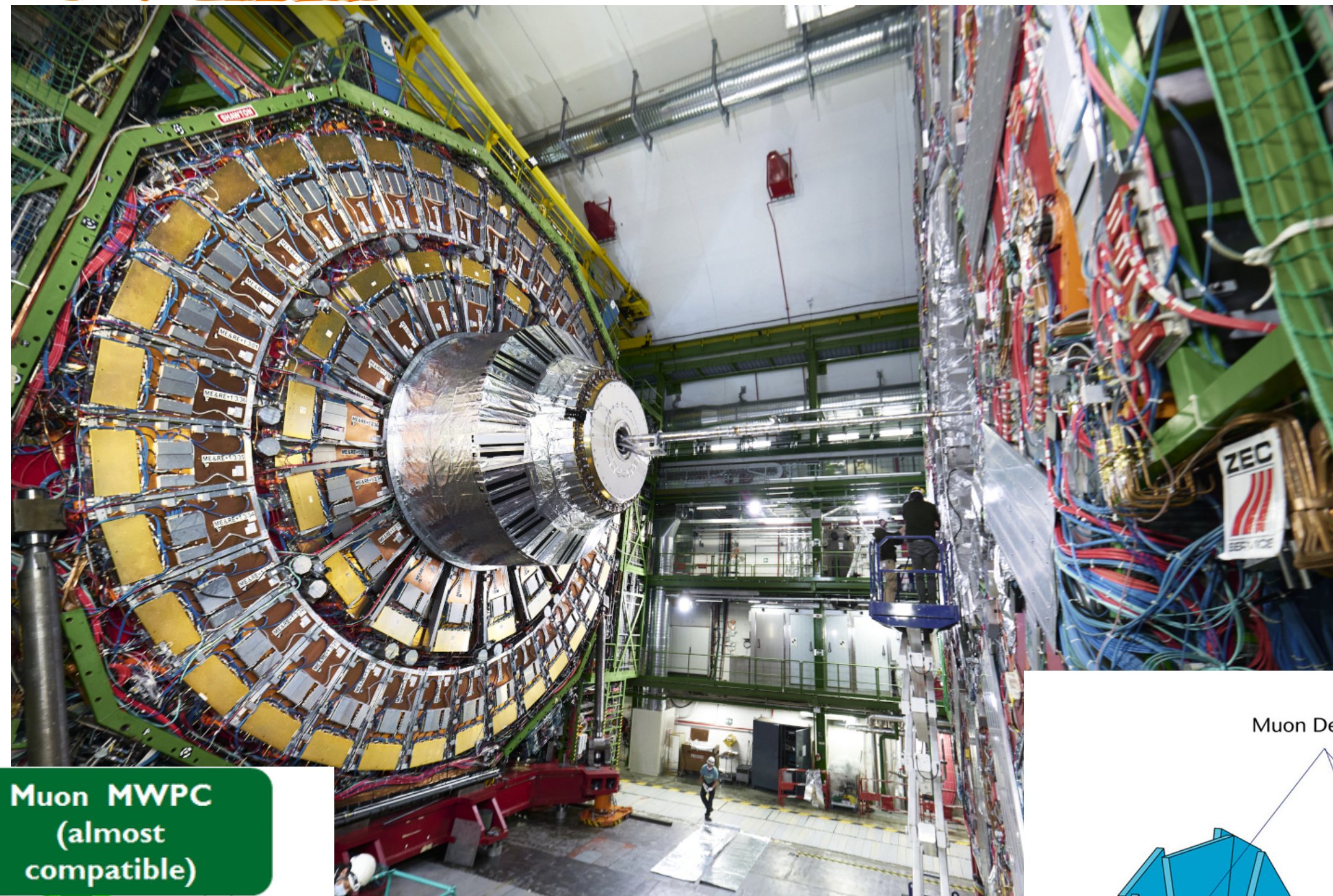
Colliders experiments (**Intensity Frontier**)

- ▶ Missing energy, momentum, or mass
- ▶ Decay of Mediator or unstable DM particles



Experiments at LHC

CMS

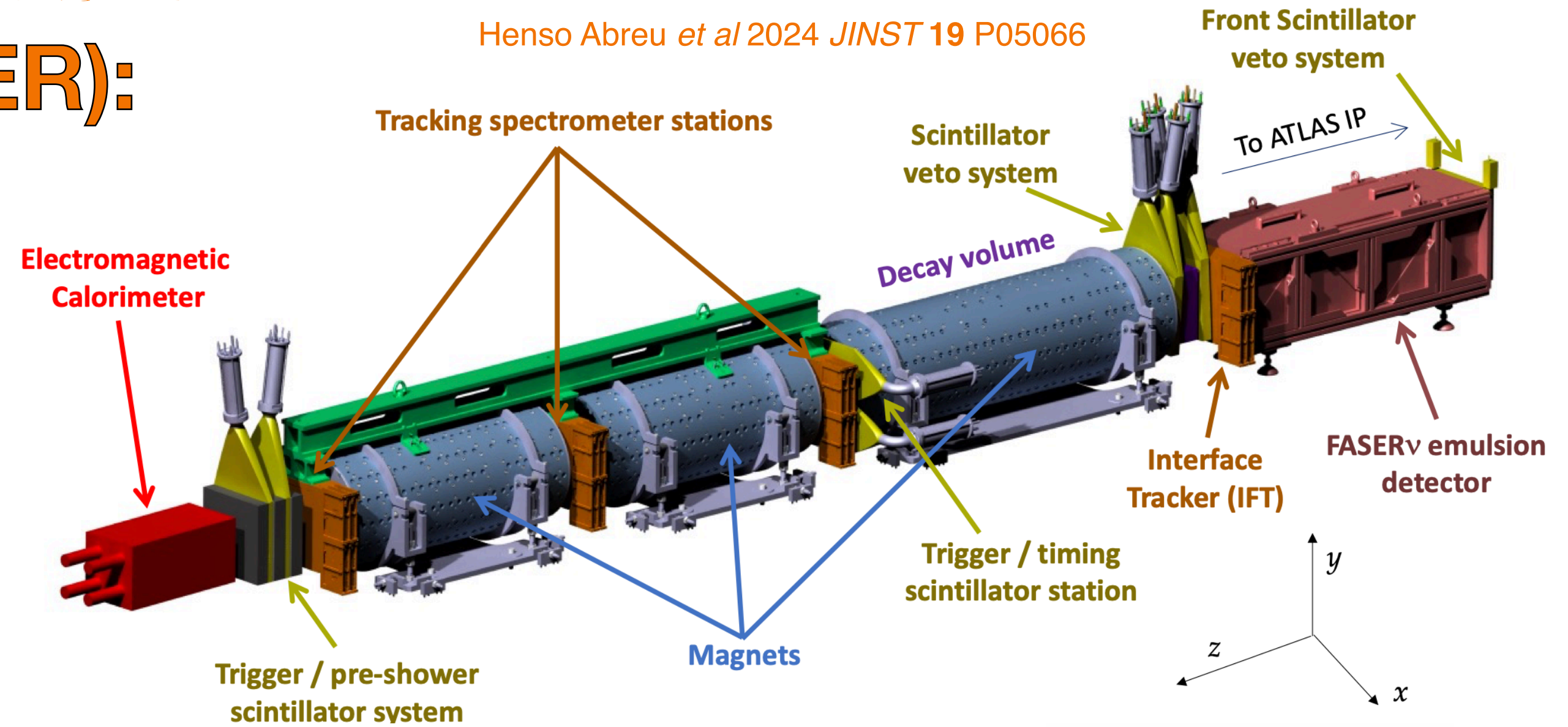


ATLAS

LHCb

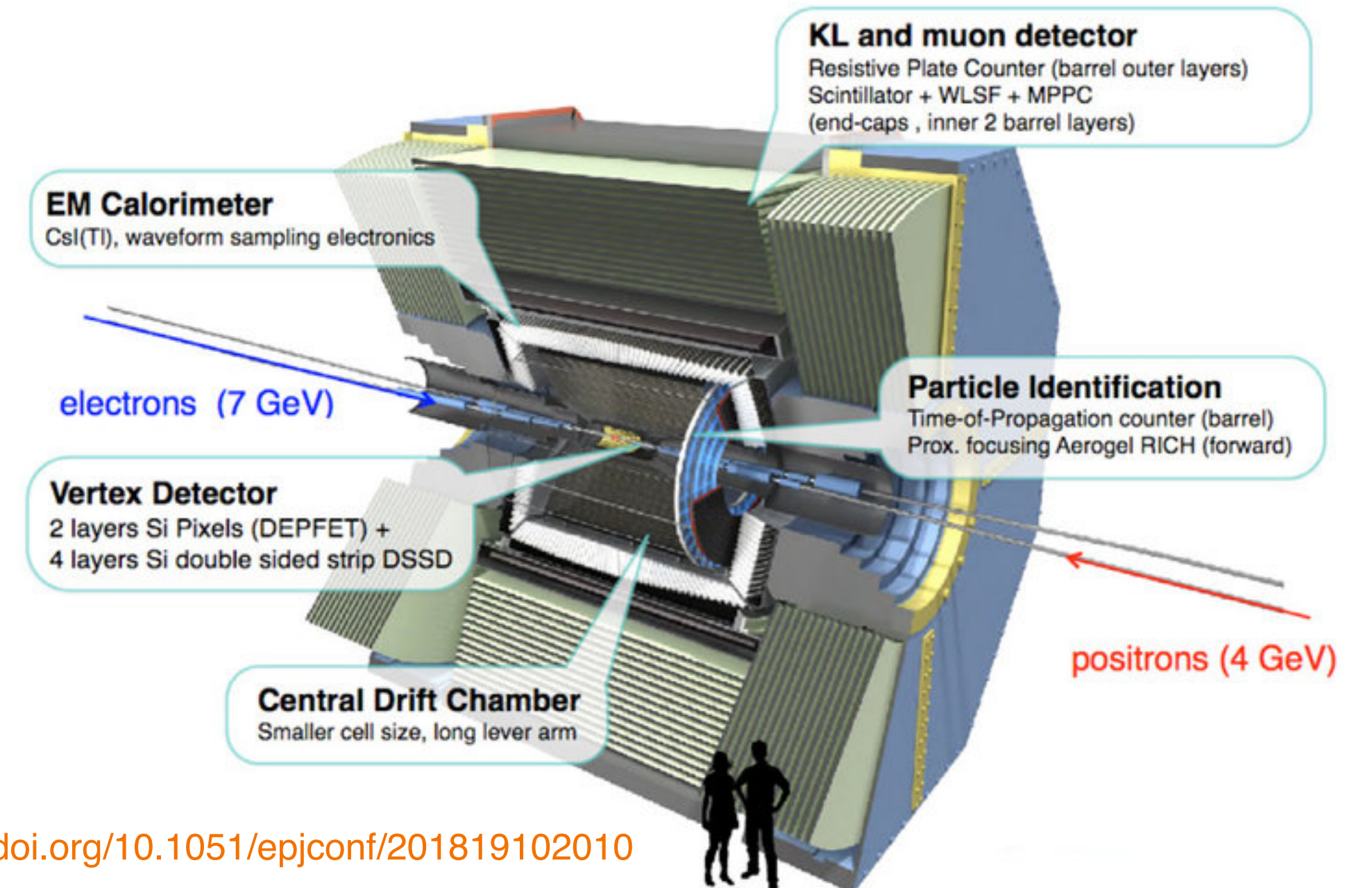
ForwArd Search ExpeRiment (FASER):

- ✦ Running at LHC, close to ATLAS Interaction point
- ✦ Look for light DM, like Axion-Like Particle (ALPs), Dark Photons.
- ✦ Neutrino as well

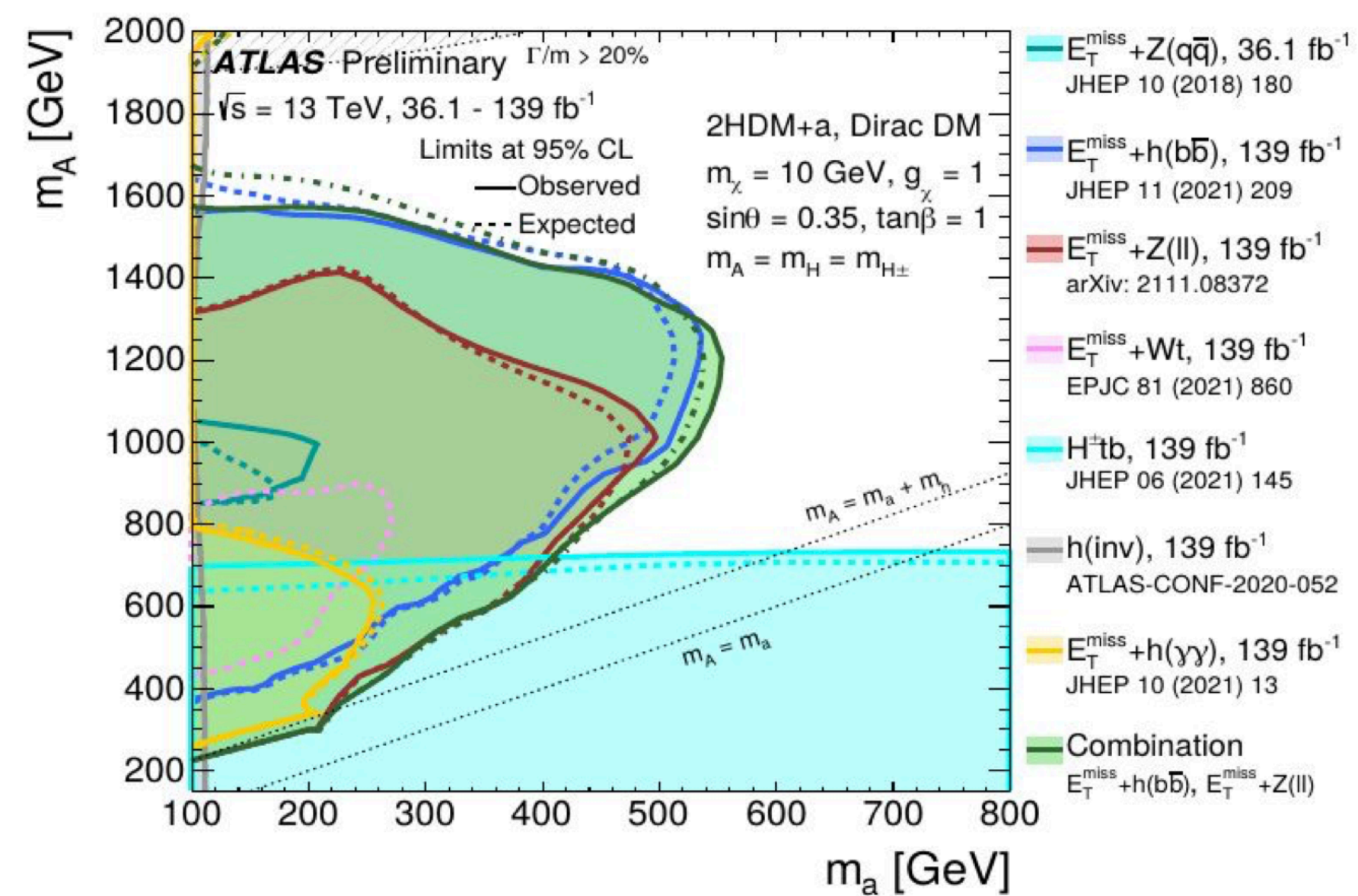
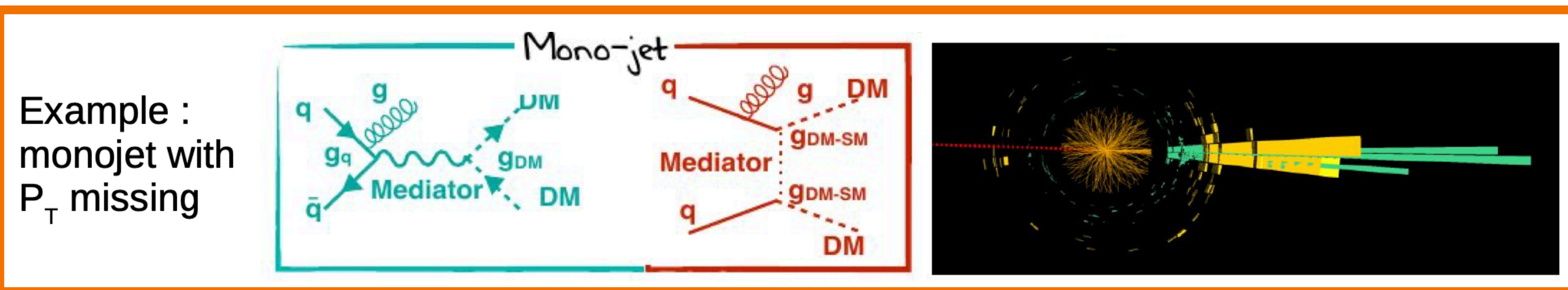


BELLE-2:

- ✦ Running at SuperKEKB, Japan
- ✦ Focus on flavour physics (B/D mesons, Tau lepton decays)
- ✦ Explore light DM (dark sector particles)



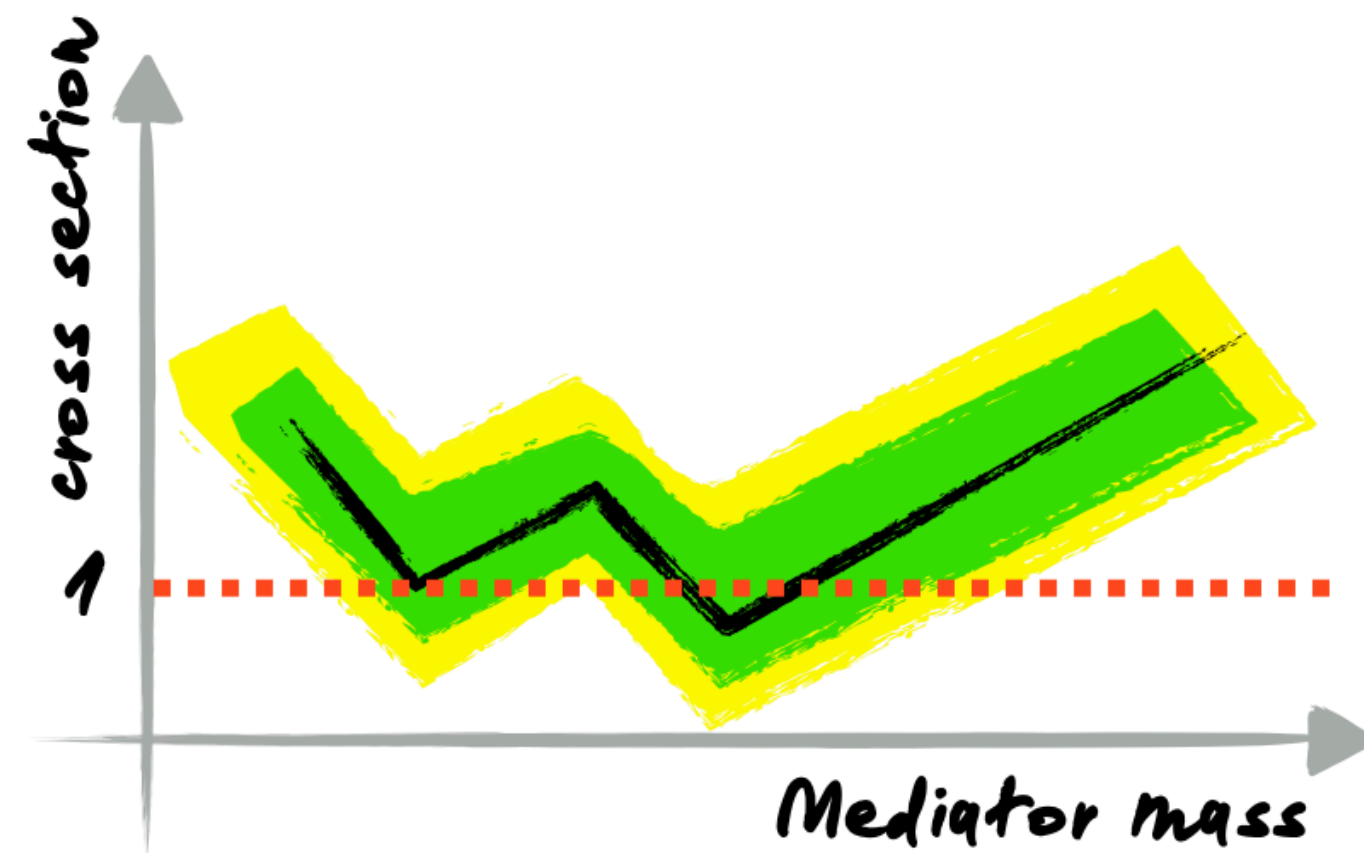
Model-Dependent Results:



Comparison with Direct Detection Results 30

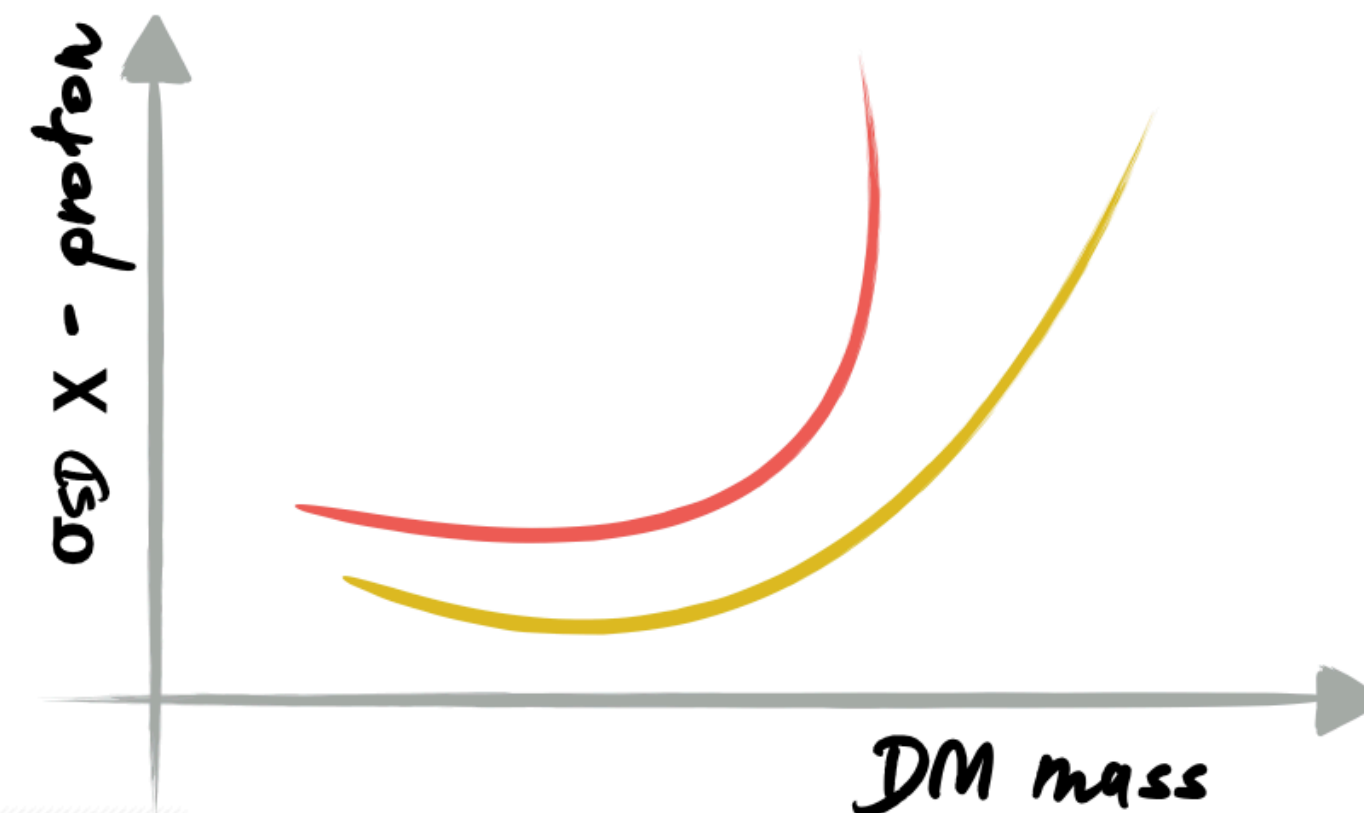
Credit Slide: Luca Scotto Lavina

Based on coupling assumptions:



Mediator mass

- * Fix couplings
- * Fix DM mass
- * #% C.L. on production cross section ratio of mediators



DM mass

- * Fix couplings
- * Limits on spin χ -nucleon cross sections at # % C.L.
- * Allow to compare collider searches with other experiments



Discovery potential depends on assumed interaction and couplings

Credit: F. Cirotto, Dark matter searches with the ATLAS detector