

MARIE VAN UFFELEN - PHD THESIS DEFENSE - THURSDAY, THE 26TH OF SEPTEMBER 2024

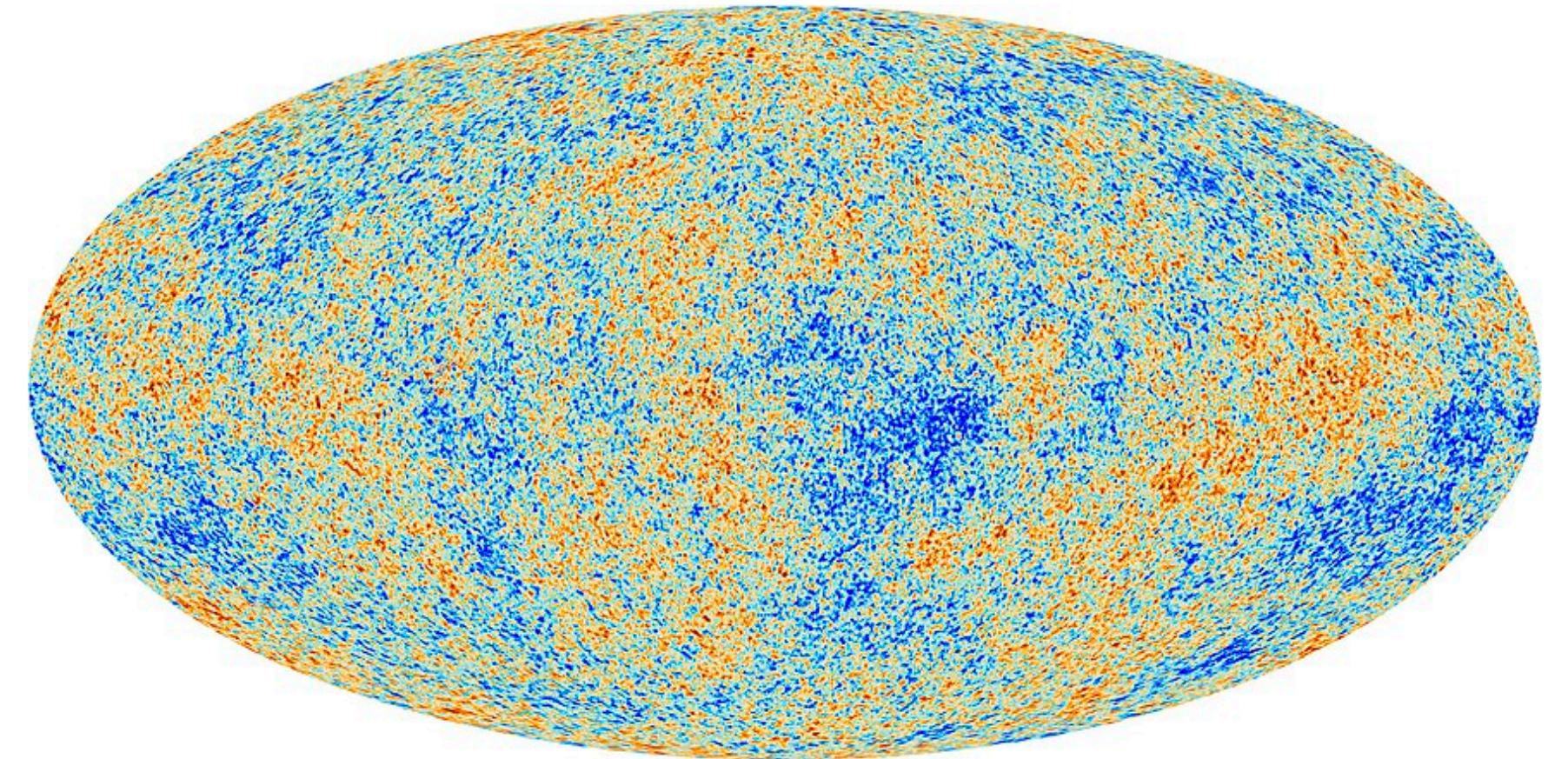
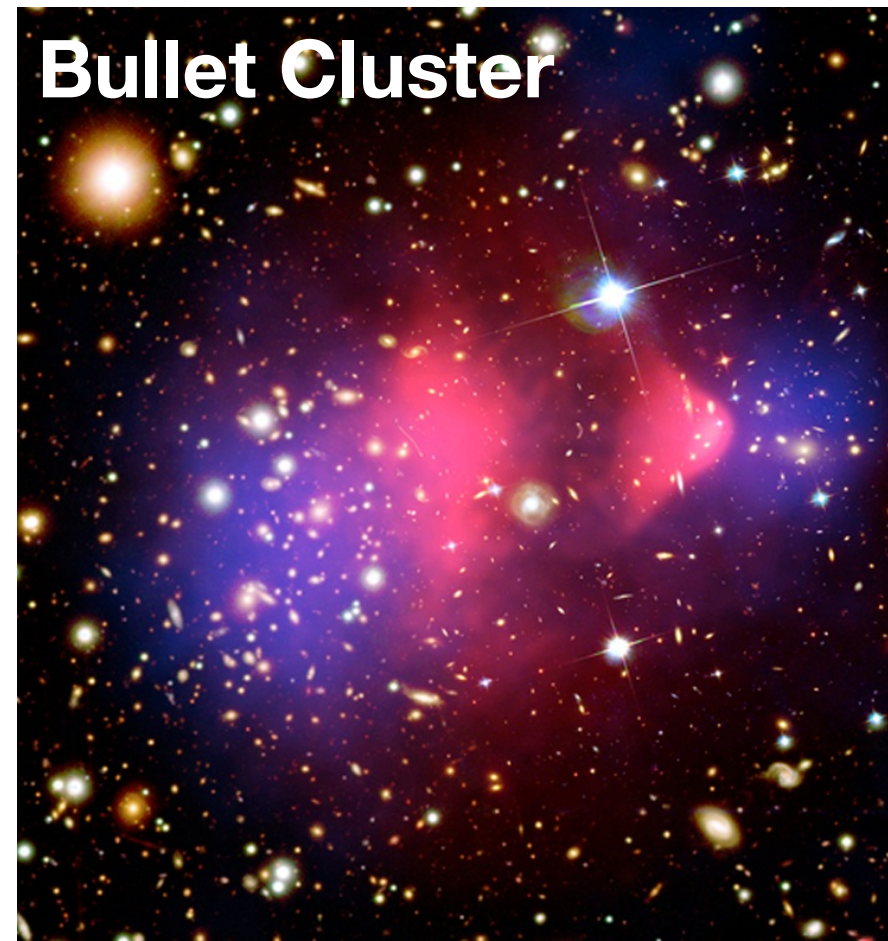
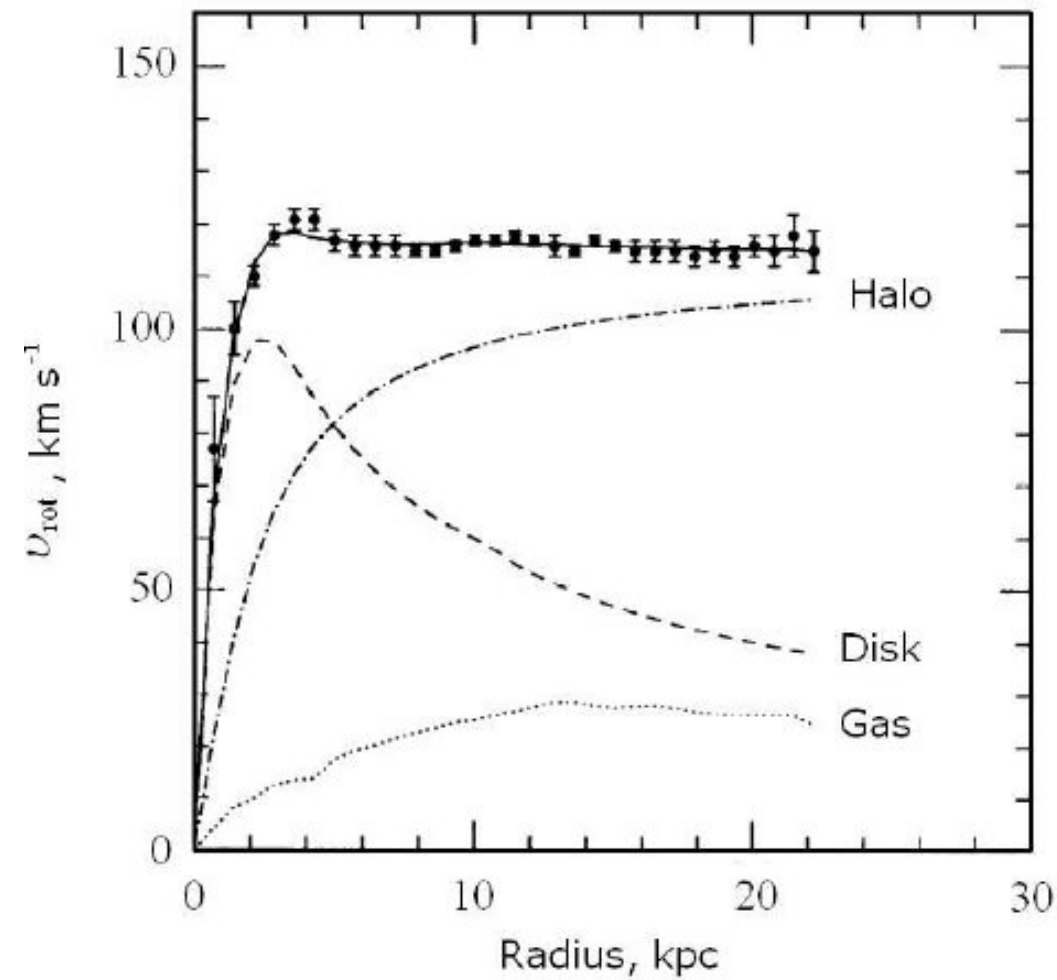
PhD supervisors: Fabrice Hubaut (CPPM), Emmanuel Nezri (LAM)

Direct search for dark matter with the DarkSide-20k experiment



The puzzle of dark matter

90 years of evidence from gravitational effects at all scales



Galaxy scale
~ 100 kpc

- 1932: Oort (stars motion in the Milky Way)
- 1939: Babcock (Andromeda)
- 1970s: N-body simulations
- 1970: Rubin and Ford (Andromeda)

Clusters of galaxy scale
~ Mpc

- 1933: Zwicky (virial mass from galaxies velocity dispersion)
- 2000s: collision of the Bullet cluster of galaxies observed with X-rays and gravitational lensing

CMB and large scale structures
> Gpc

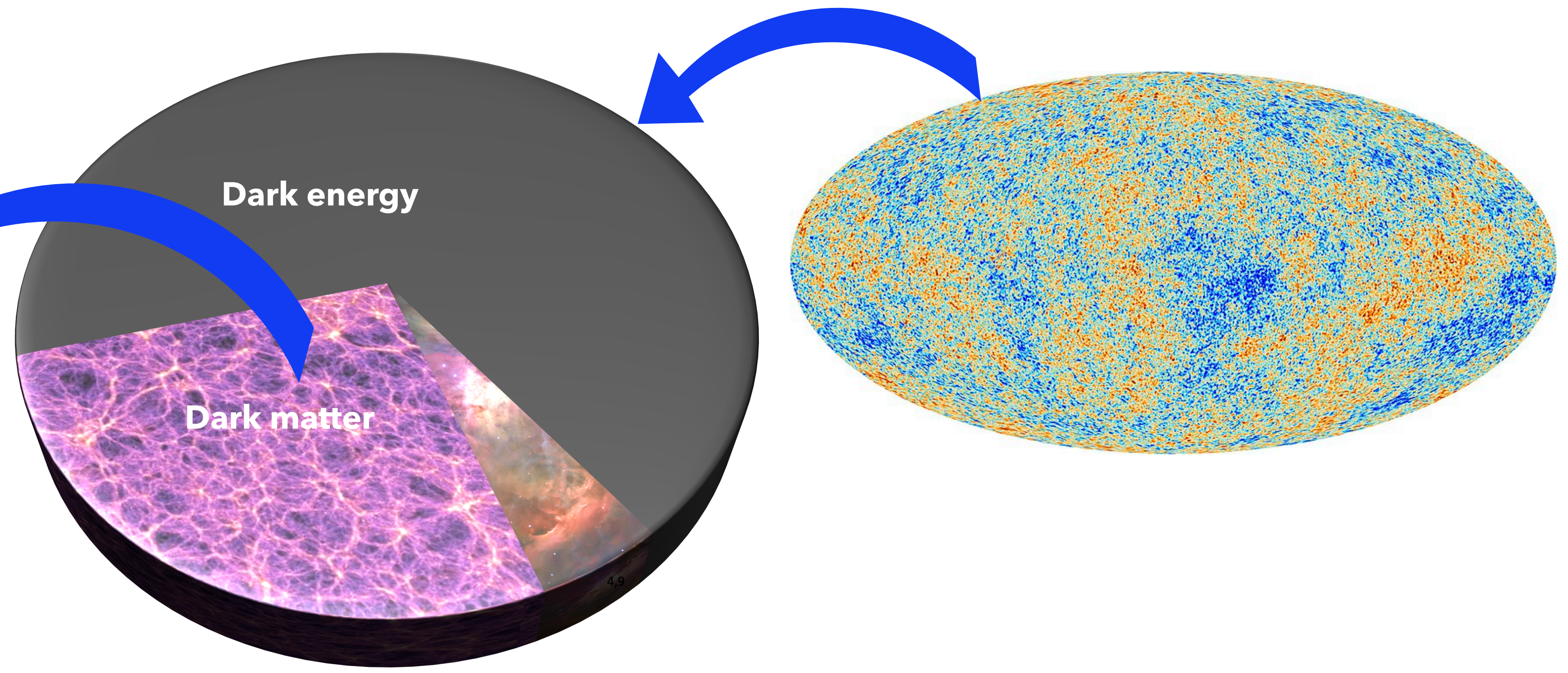
- > 1990s: COBE, WMAP and PLANCK CMB missions → CMB power spectrum
- 1970s: Cosmological simulations
- Hierarchical scenarios of structure formation need collisionless matter

The puzzle of dark matter

90 years of evidence from gravitational effects at all scales

~**27%** of energy
(**85%** of mass)
content of the
Universe is
unknown

Standard model
of particles does
not provide a
viable dark
matter (DM)
candidate



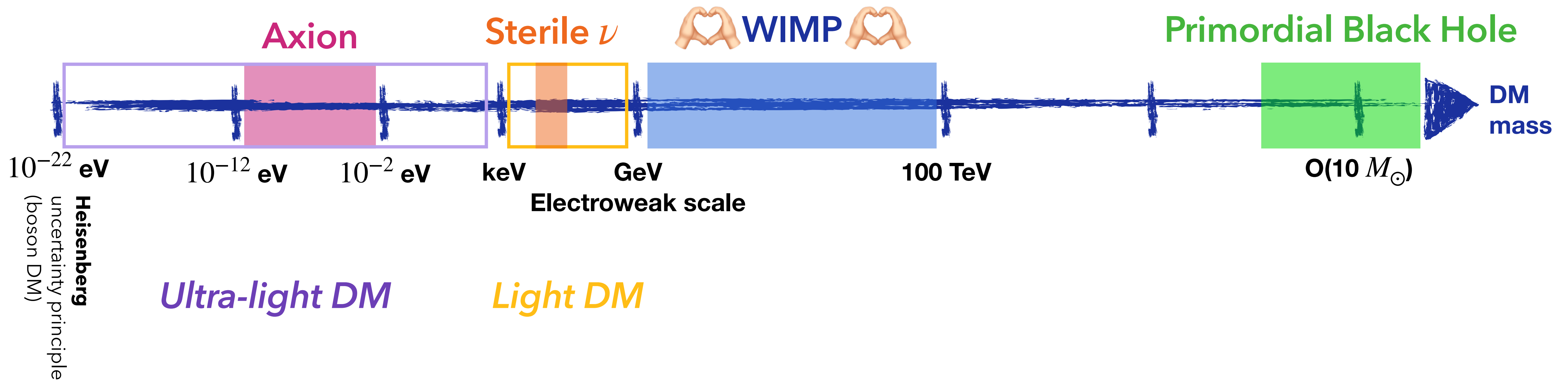
26,8%

Dark matter candidates

- Minimal DM properties**
- Massive
 - Neutral regarding electromagnetic and strong interactions
 - Collisionless fluid
 - Stable or long lived
 - Cold enough

"**W**eakly **I**nteracting **M**assive **P**article"

- Motivated by both beyond standard model particle physics (e.g. SUSY) and Λ_{CDM}
- WIMP miracle: a ~ 100 GeV particle naturally emerges from cosmology with right abundance



Ultra-light DM

Light DM

Primordial Black Hole



WIMP

Axion

Sterile ν

DM mass

$O(10 M_{\odot})$

100 TeV

GeV

keV

10^{-2} eV

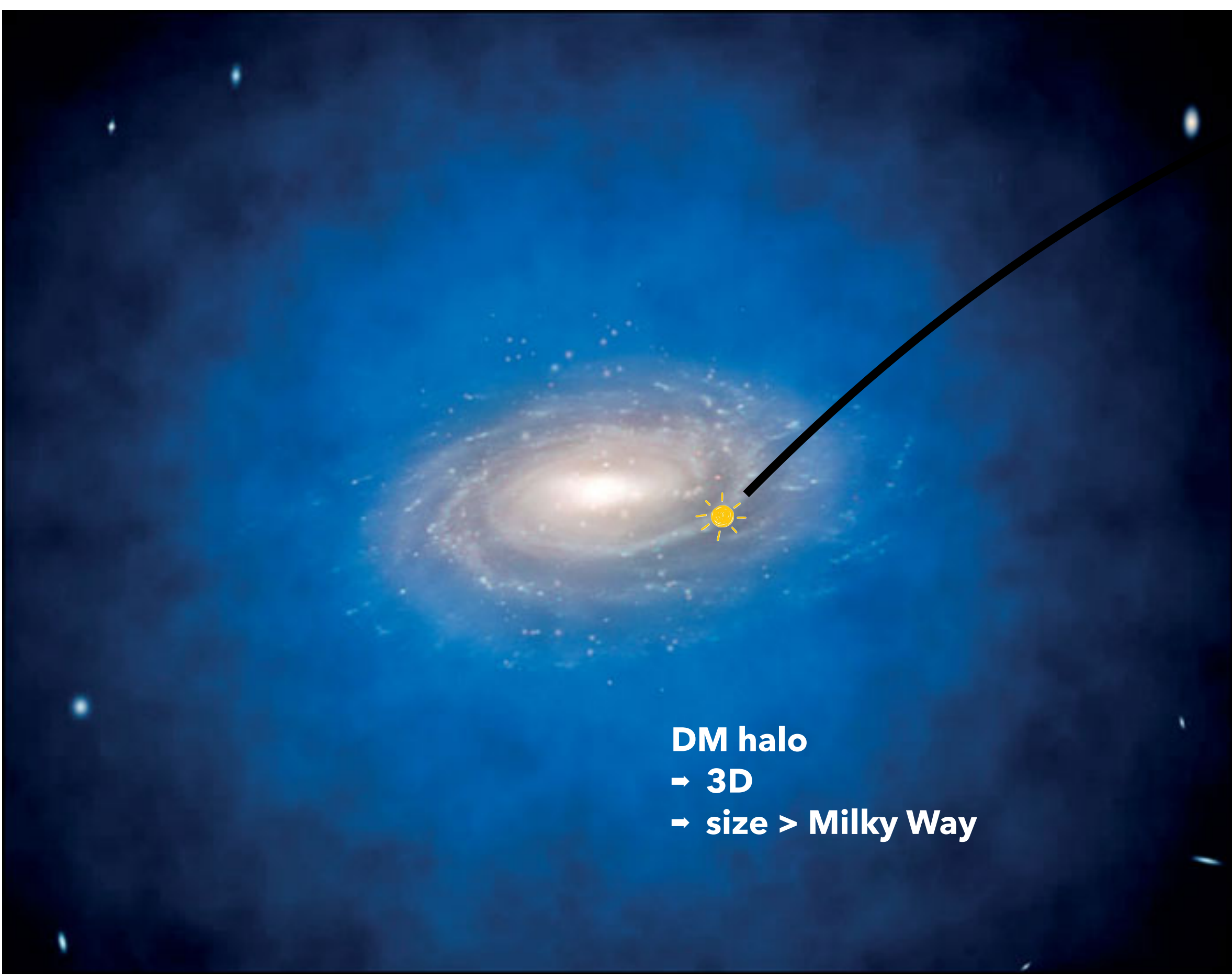
10^{-12} eV

10^{-22} eV

Direct search for galactic dark matter

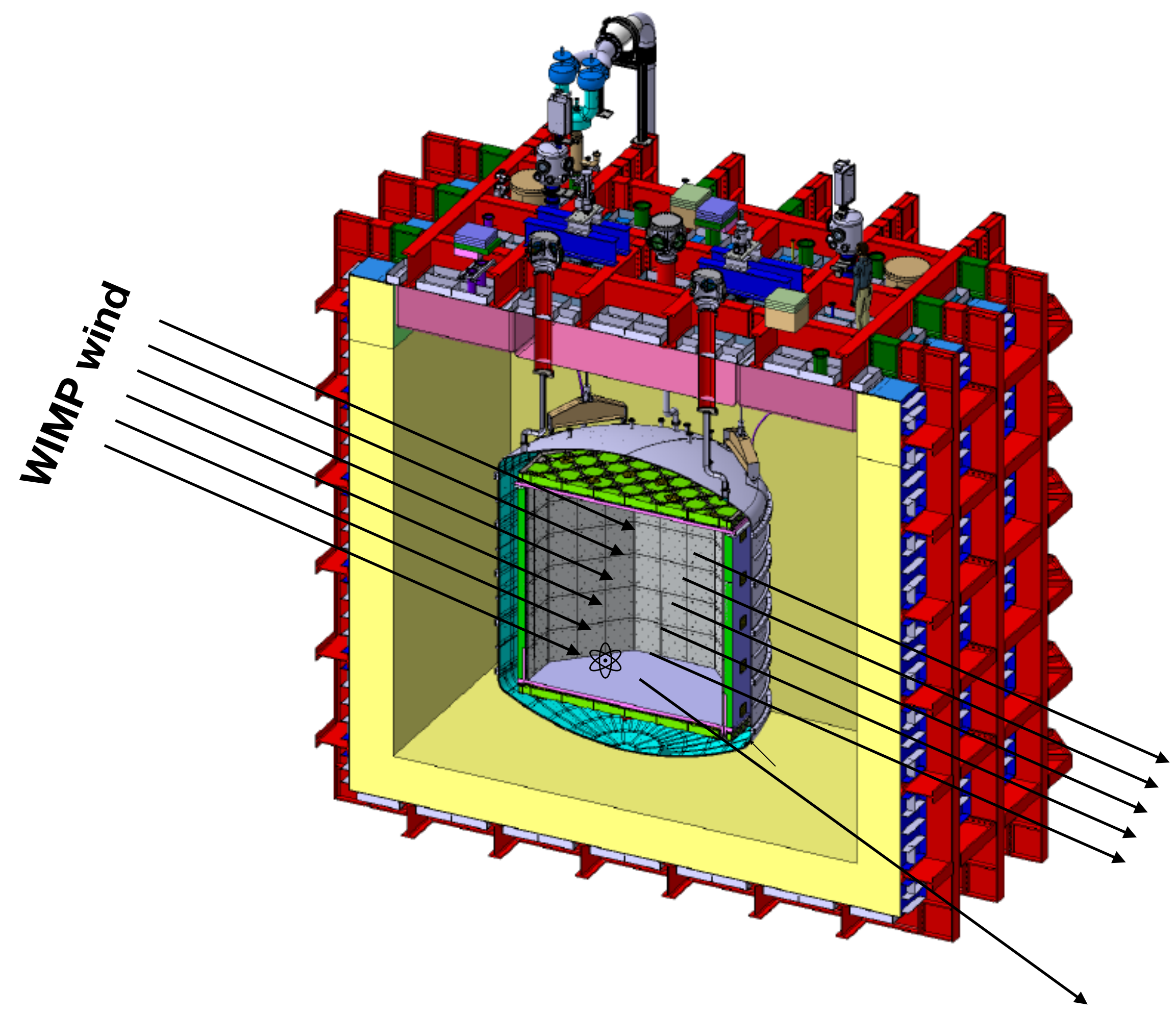


Direct search for galactic dark matter



Everything acts as if

📍 On Earth

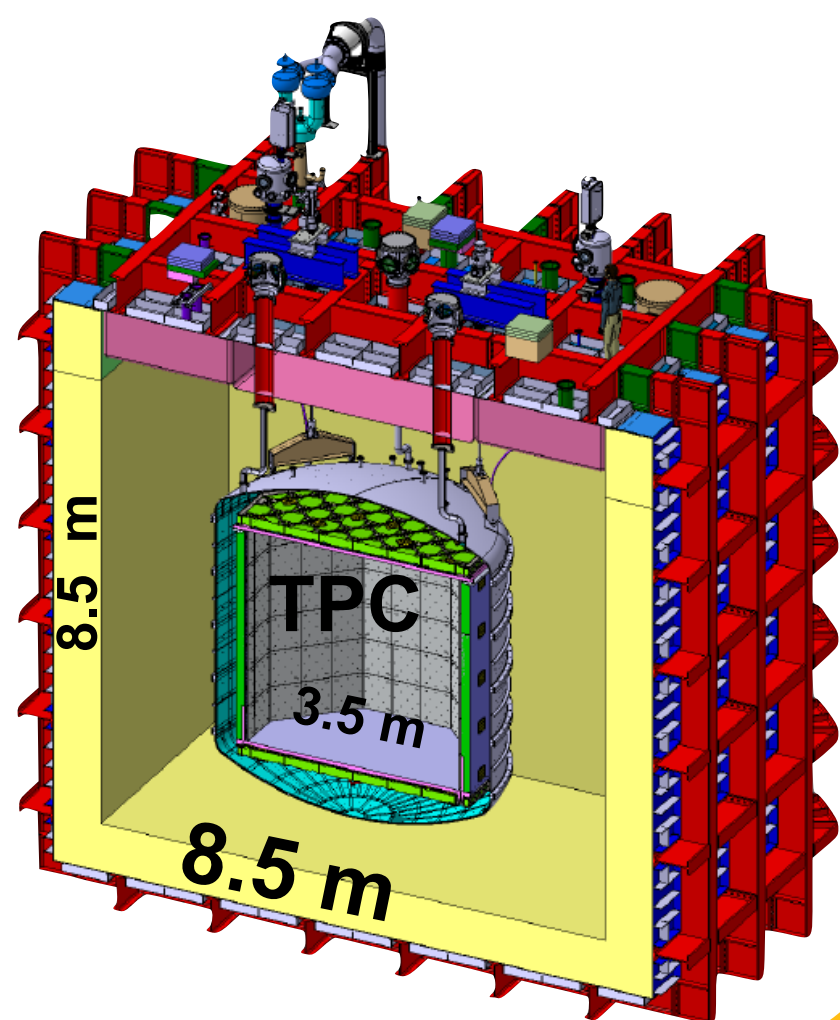


How to search for WIMPs ?

Create scalable detectors

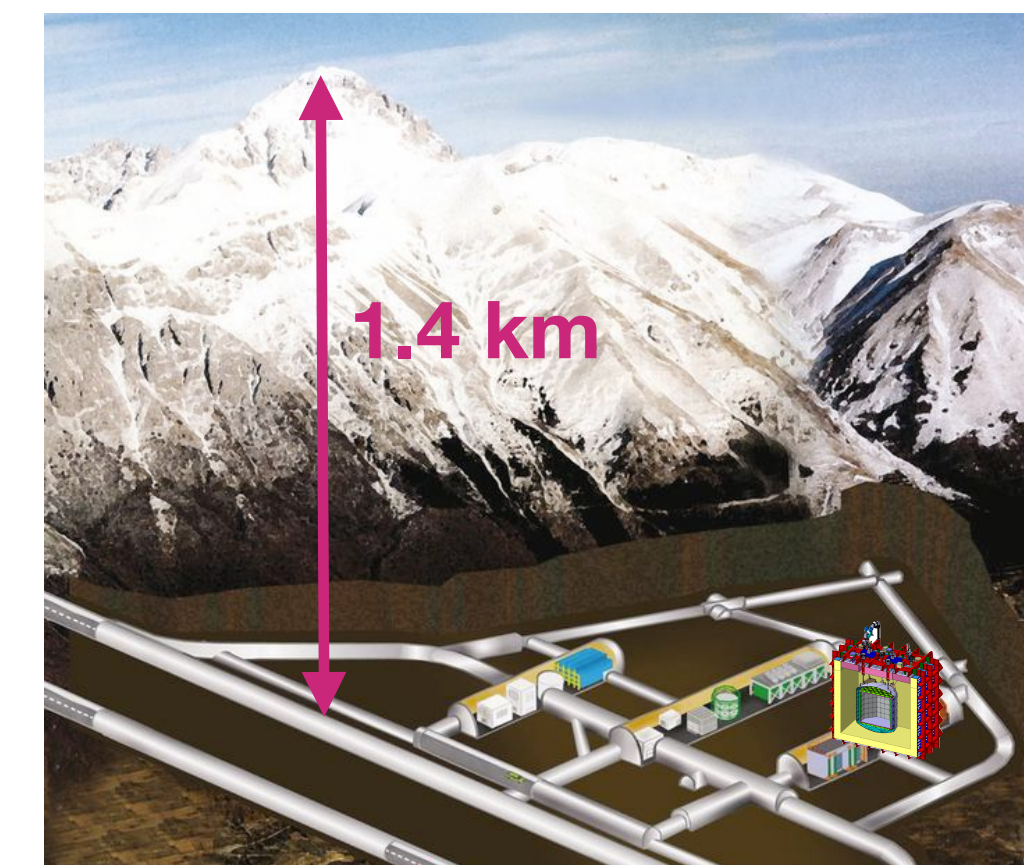
DarkSide-20k : 20t of argon at liquid phase in fiducial volume (650t in total)

Largest TPC ever built for DM search purposes



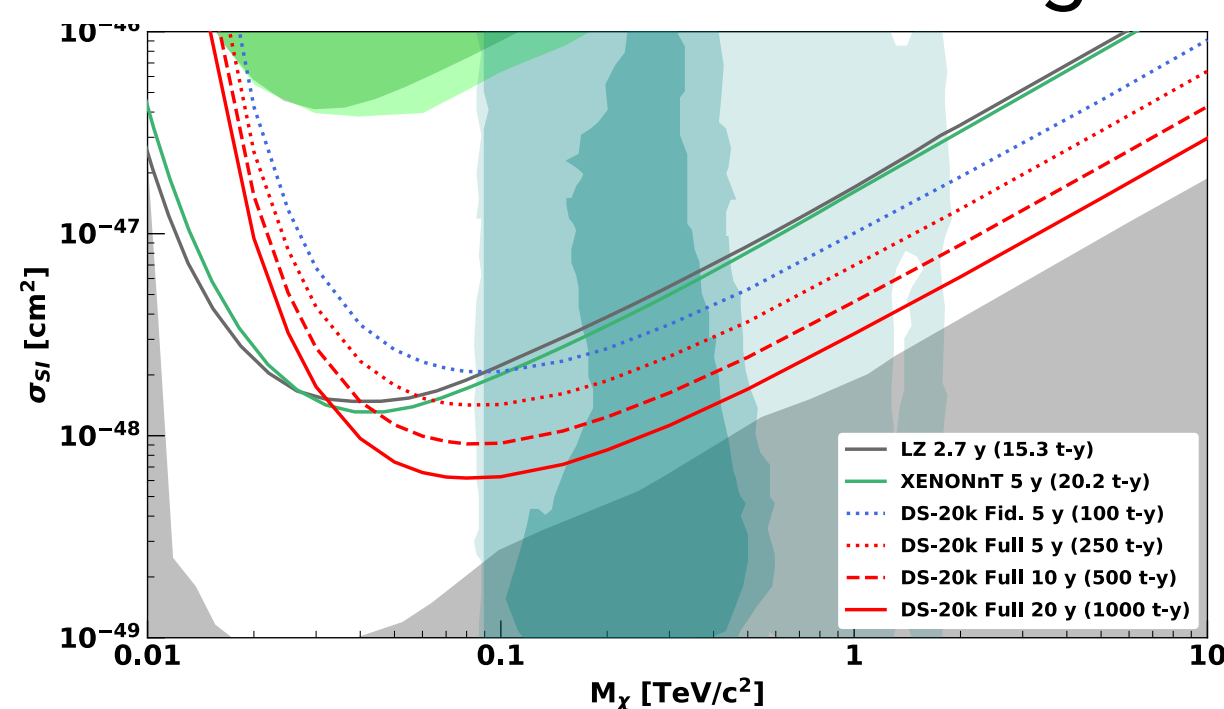
Shield the detector from background

DarkSide-20k : located at the Gran Sasso Laboratory (Italy) under 1.4km of rock to shield from cosmic rays



Compute the sensitivity of the experiment

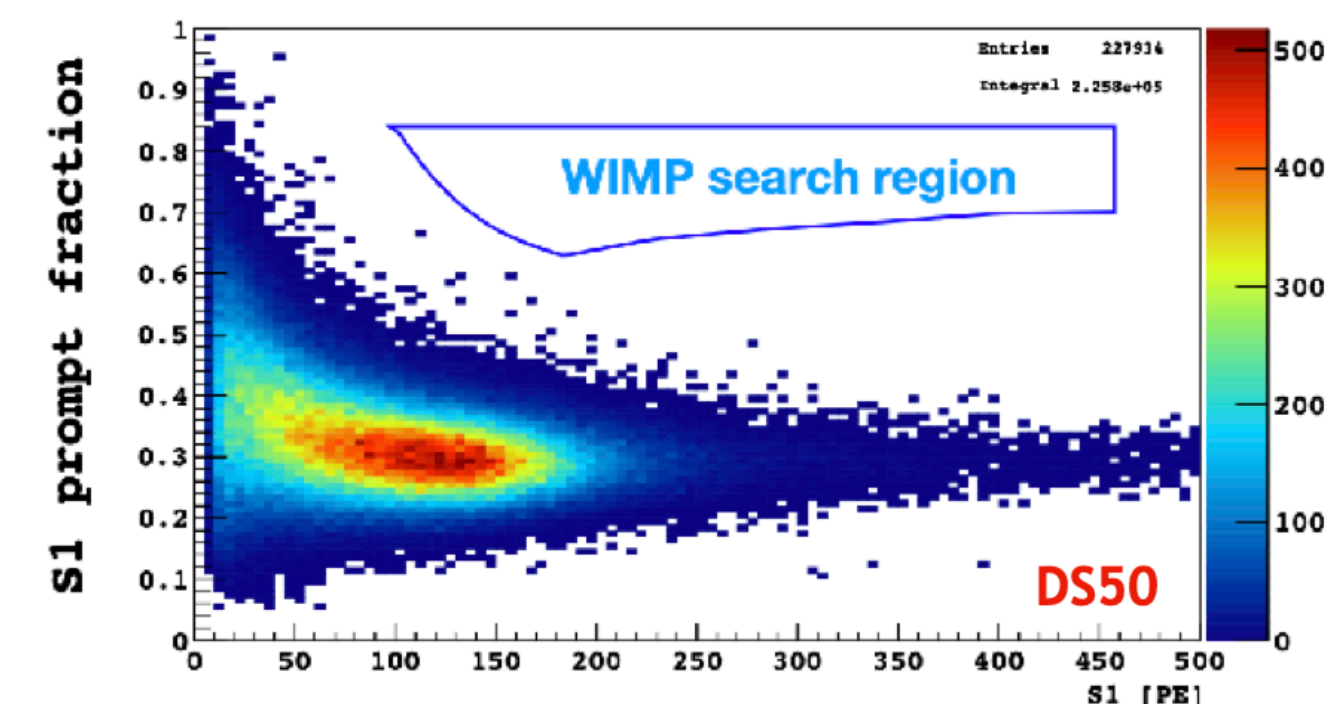
Depends on the DM halo modelling



Searching for WIMPs

Understand and discriminate backgrounds and signal

Argon: extremely powerful discrimination between backgrounds and signal

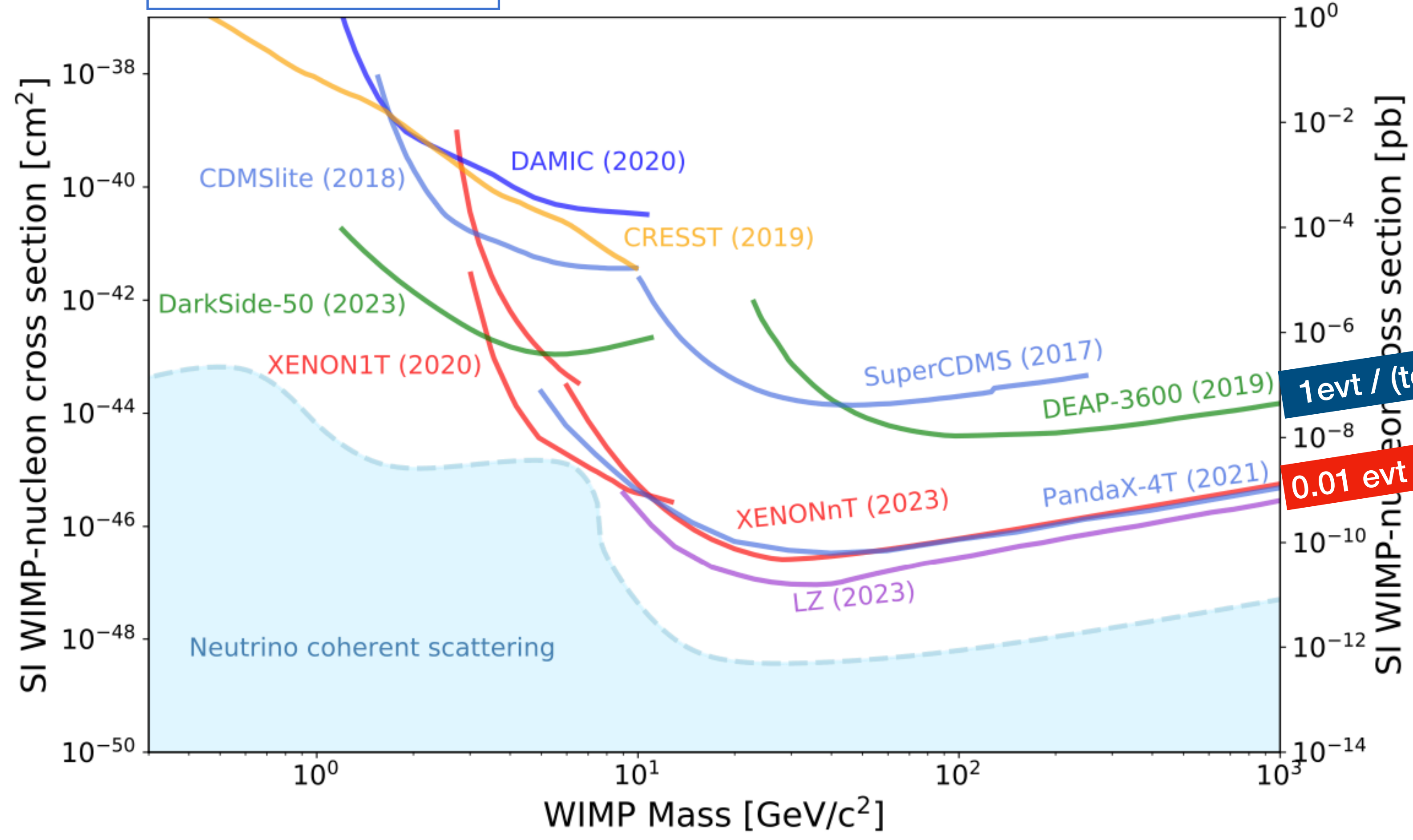


Background budget (after cuts): 0.1 event / 10y

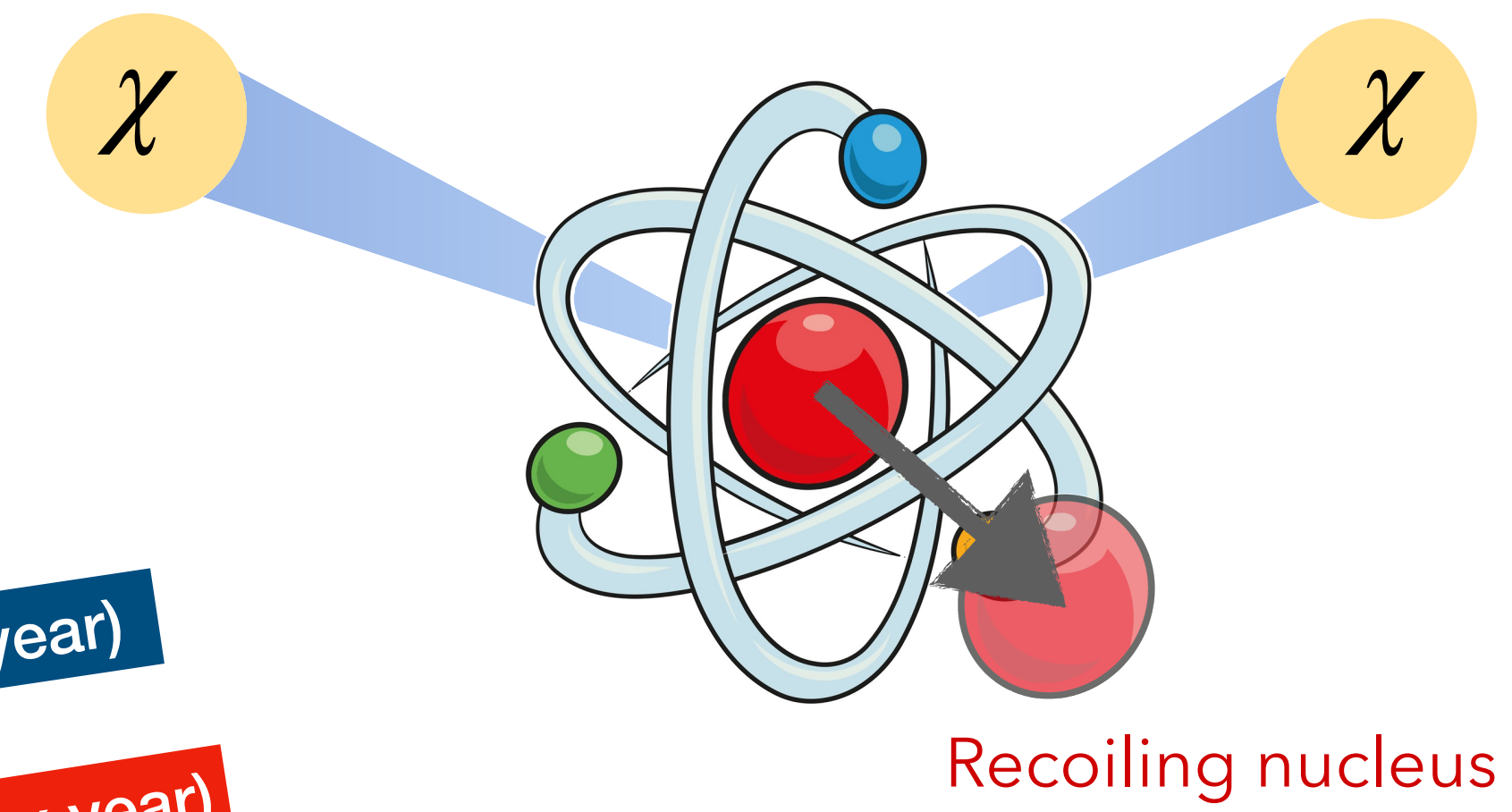
WIMP direct detection: where do we stand ?

State of the art of direct search for WIMP dark matter

From PDG 2023



Signal - Nuclear recoil

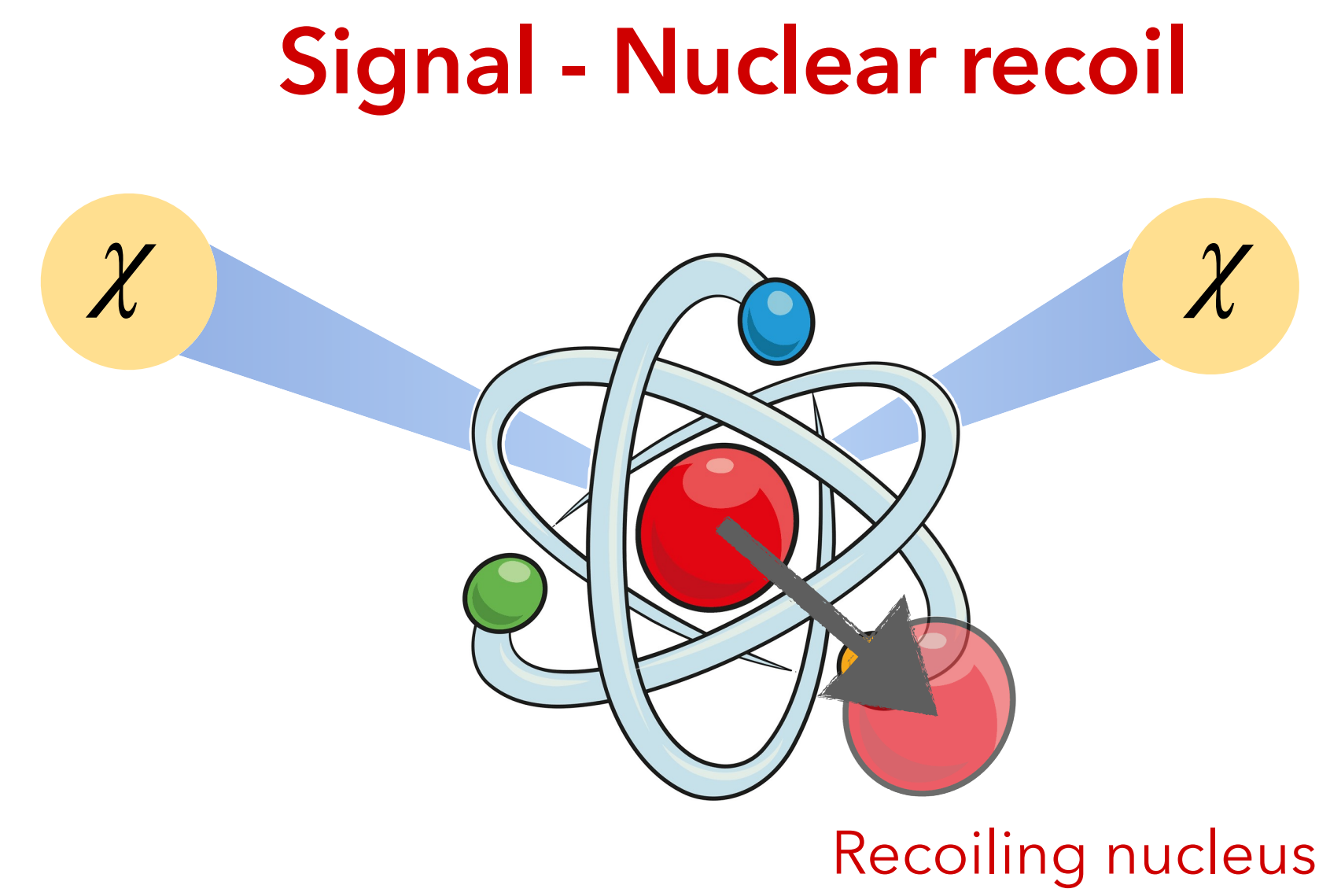
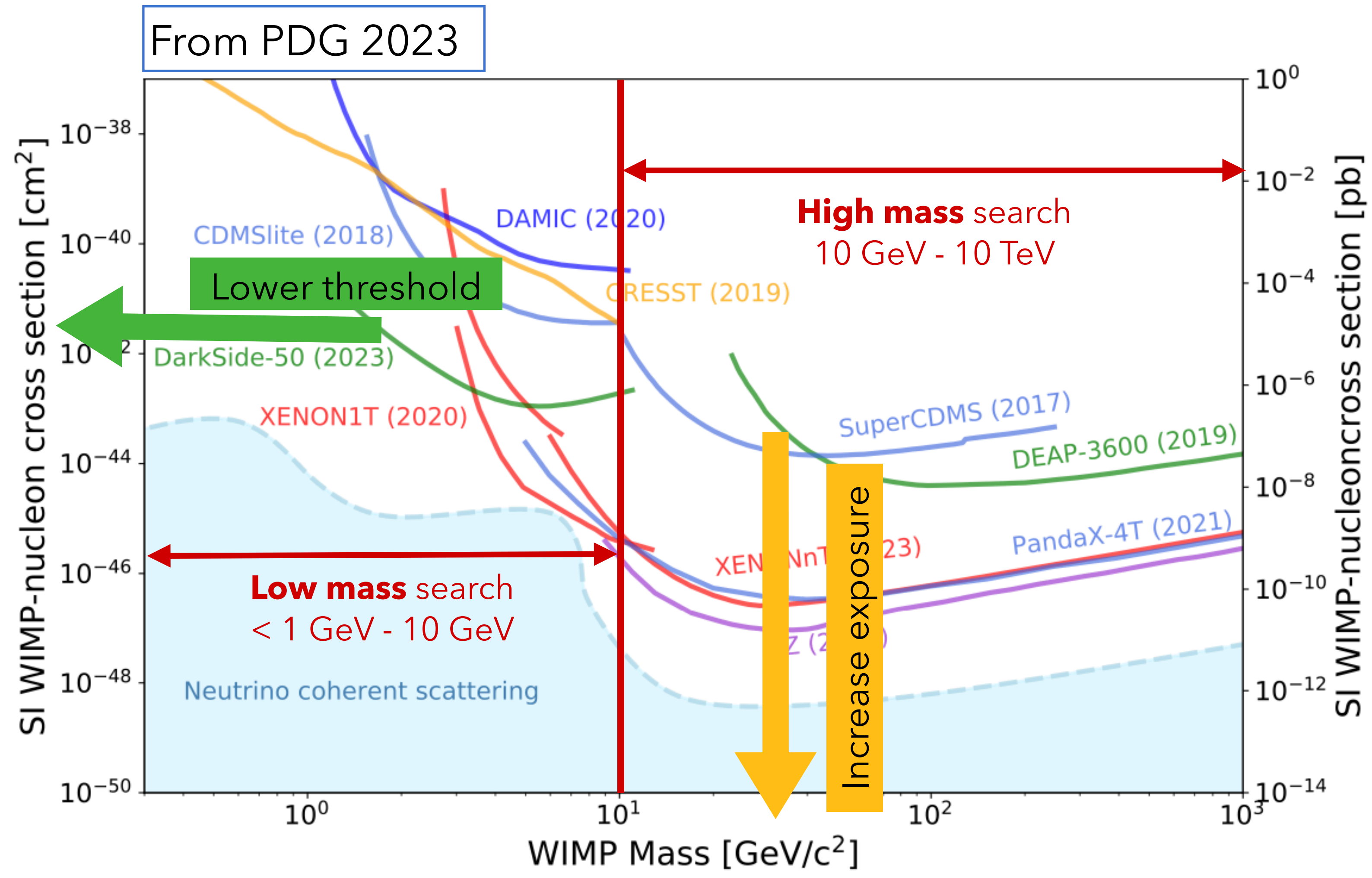


1 evt / (ton x year)

0.01 evt / (ton x year)

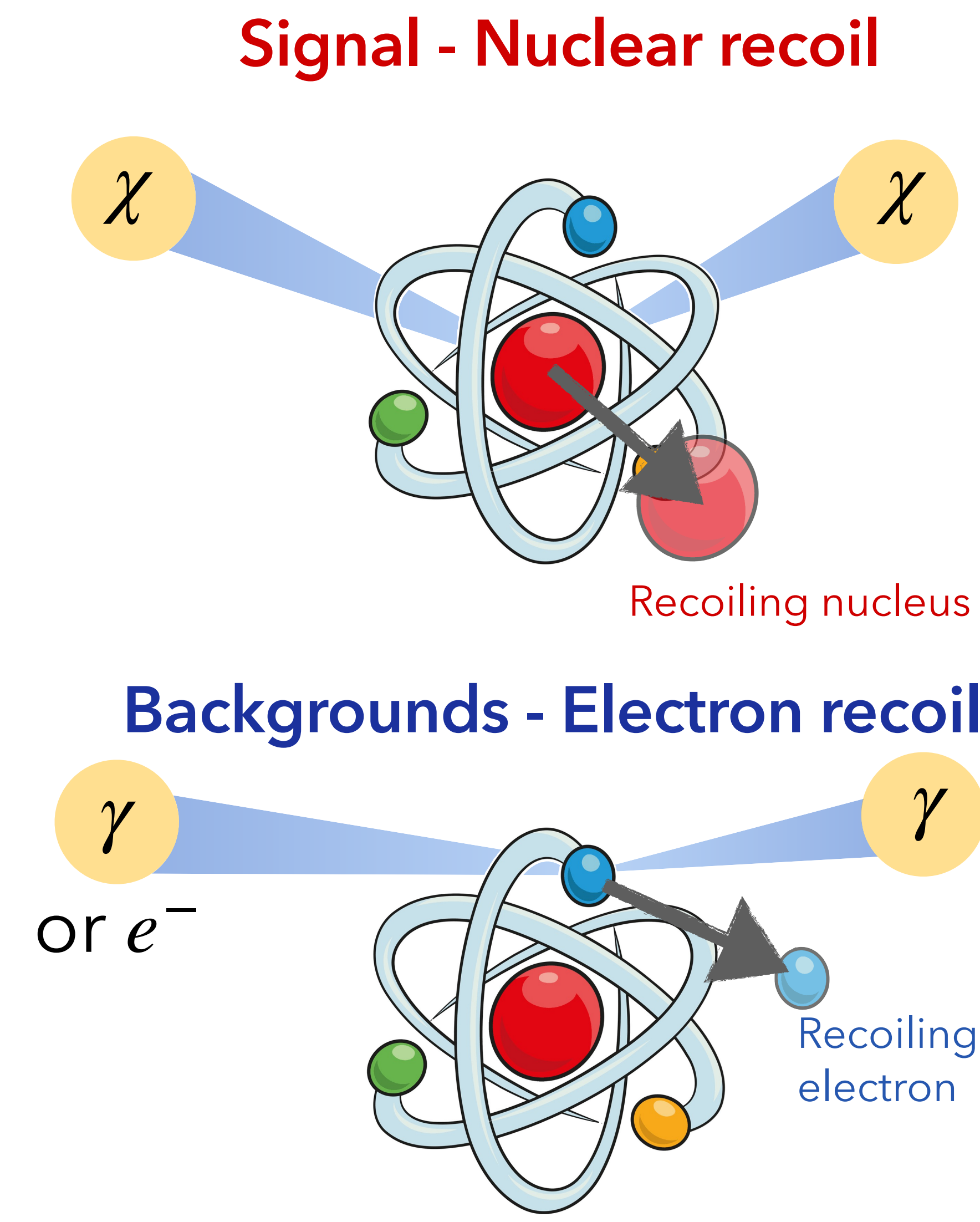
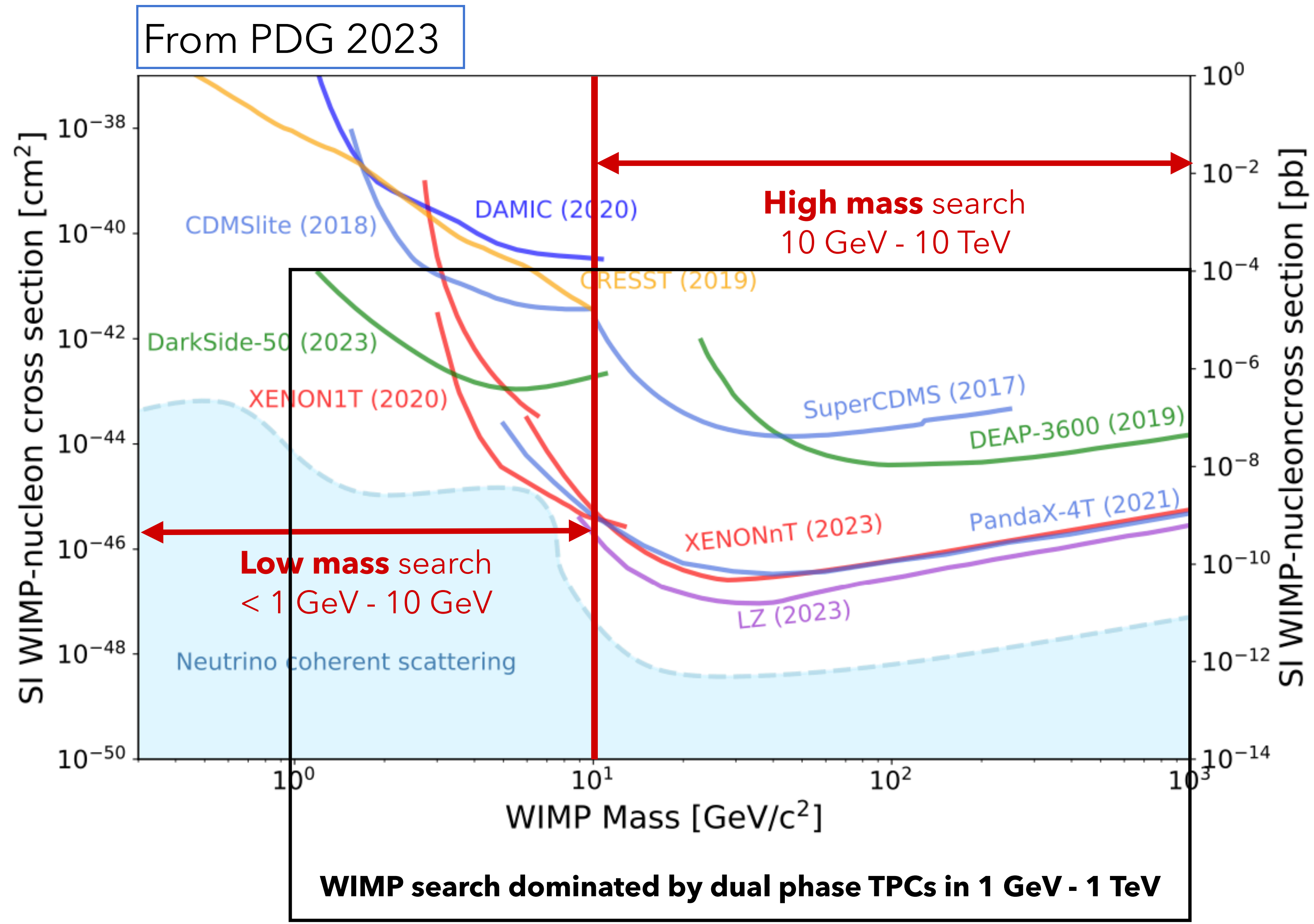
WIMP direct detection: where do we stand ?

State of the art of direct search for WIMP dark matter



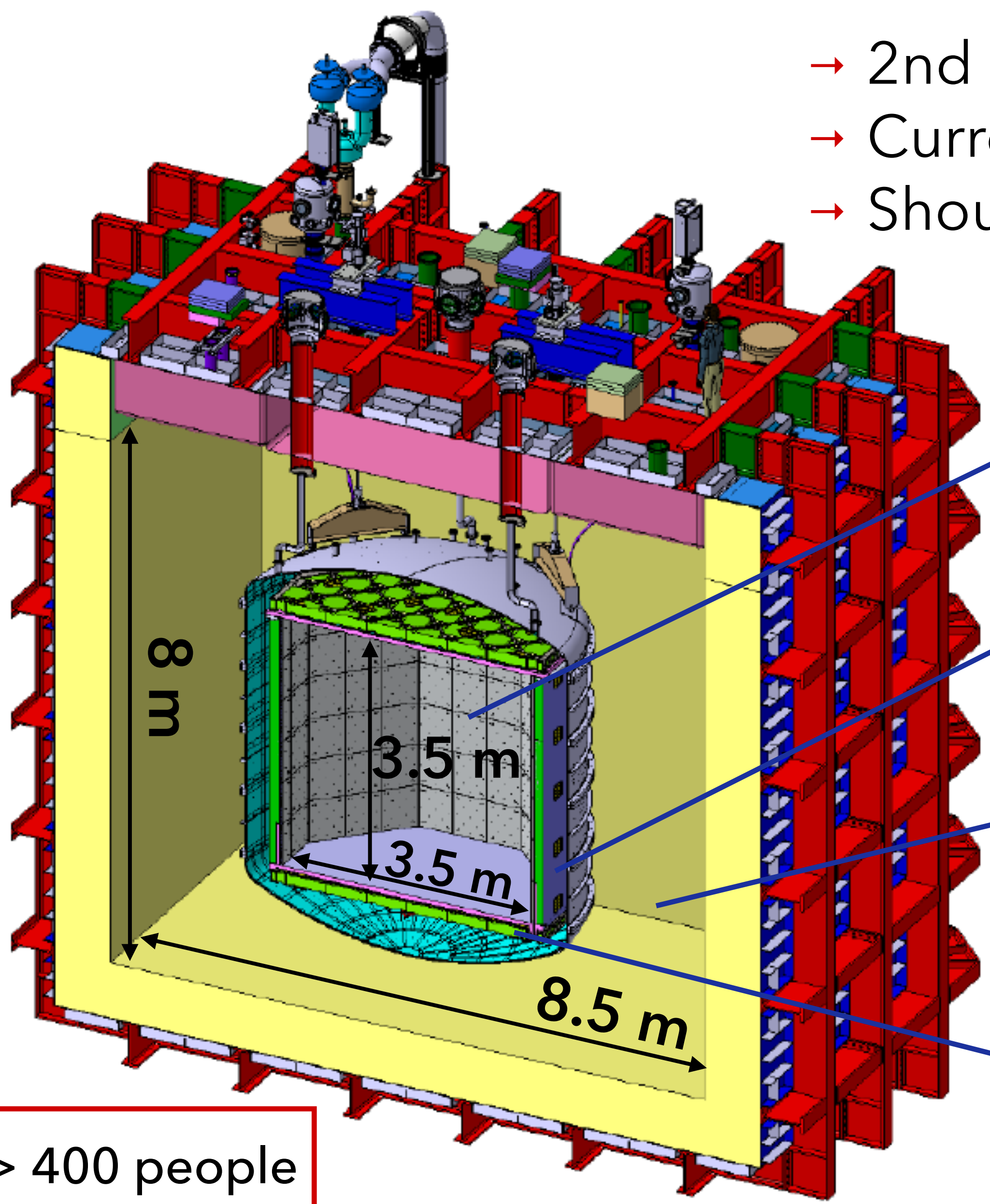
WIMP direct detection: where do we stand ?

State of the art of direct search for WIMP dark matter



The DarkSide-20k experiment

- 2nd generation experiment
- Currently under construction
- Should start data taking in 2027



TPC: 50 t
Underground argon (UAr)

Inner veto (neutron veto): 32 t UAr

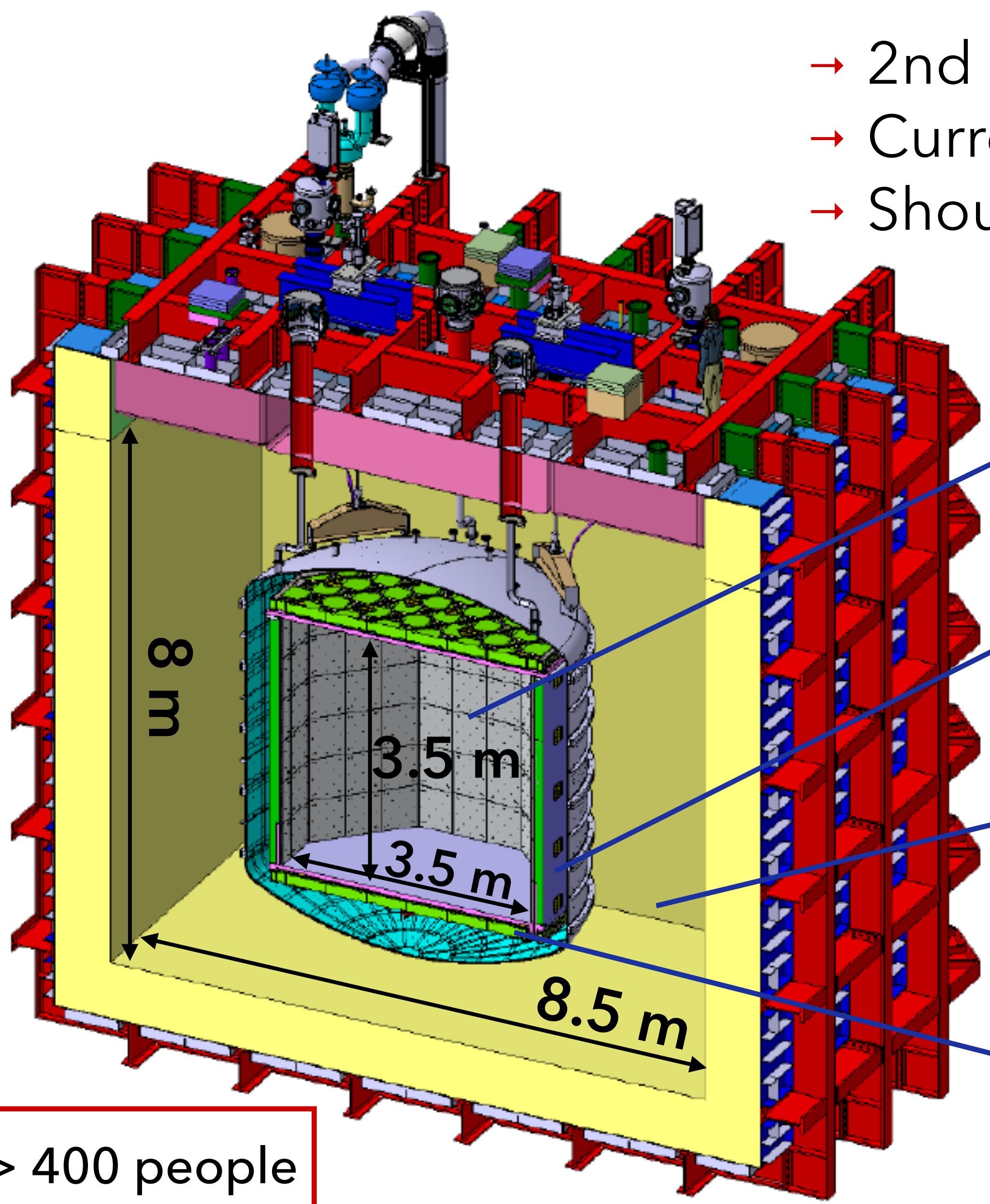
Outer veto (muon veto): 650 t Atmospheric argon

TPC photo-electronics
2x10.5 m² SiPMs arrays
2112 readout channels

> 400 people

The DarkSide-20k experiment

- 2nd generation experiment
- Currently under construction
- Should start data taking in 2027



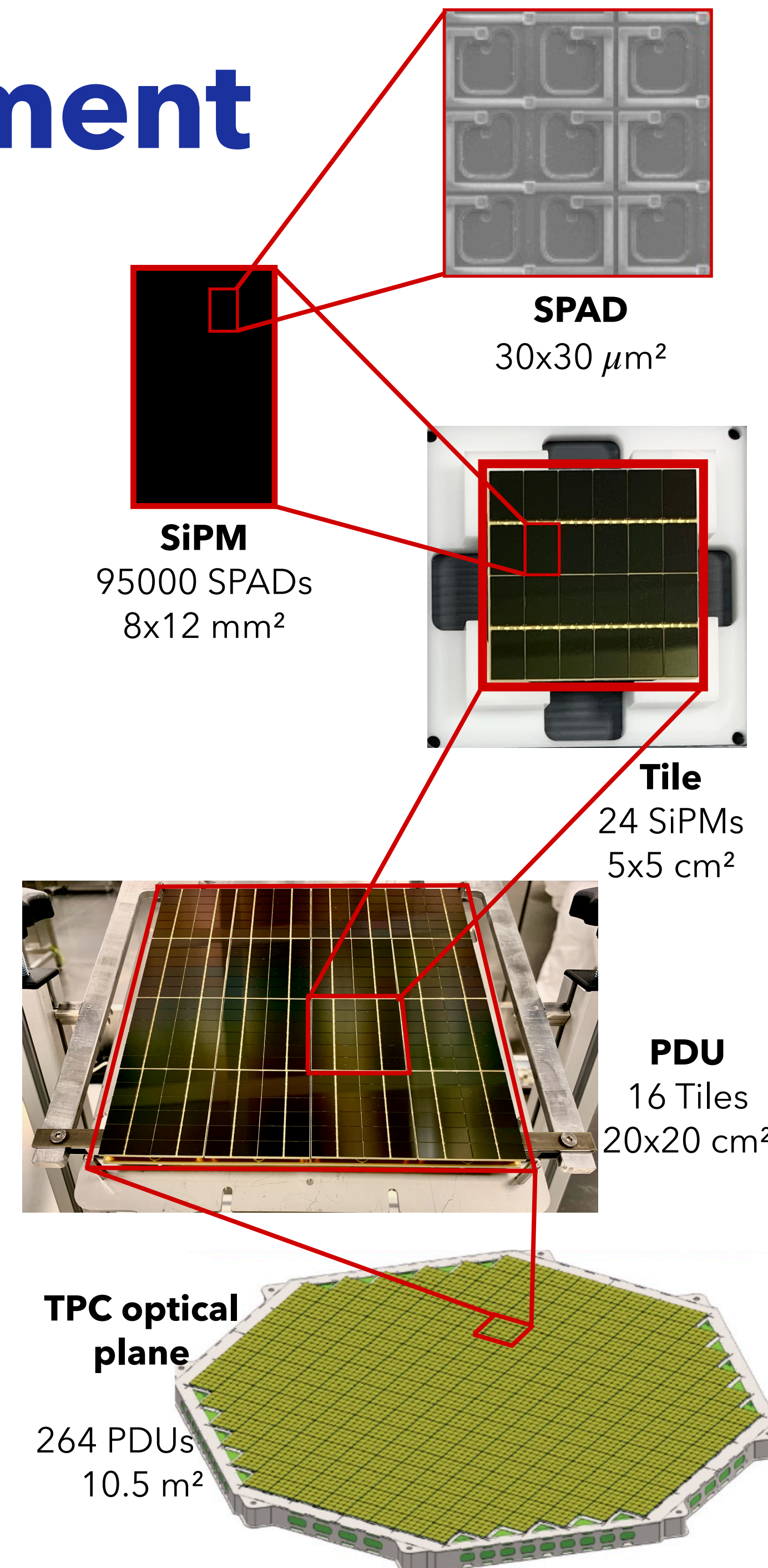
TPC: 50 t
Underground argon (UAr)

Inner veto (neutron veto): 32 t UAr

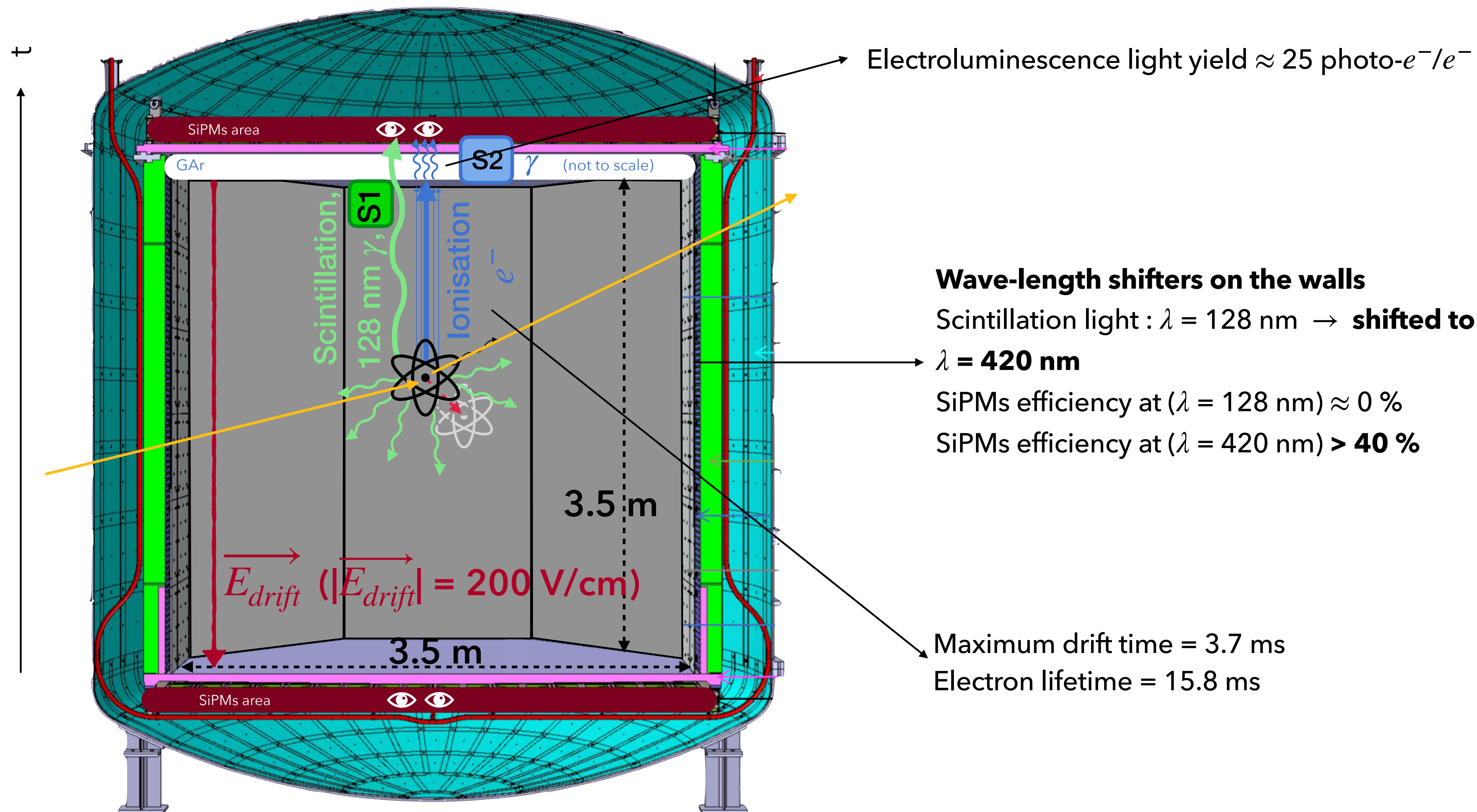
Outer veto (muon veto): 650 t Atmospheric argon

TPC photo-electronics
2x10.5 m² SiPMs arrays
2112 readout channels

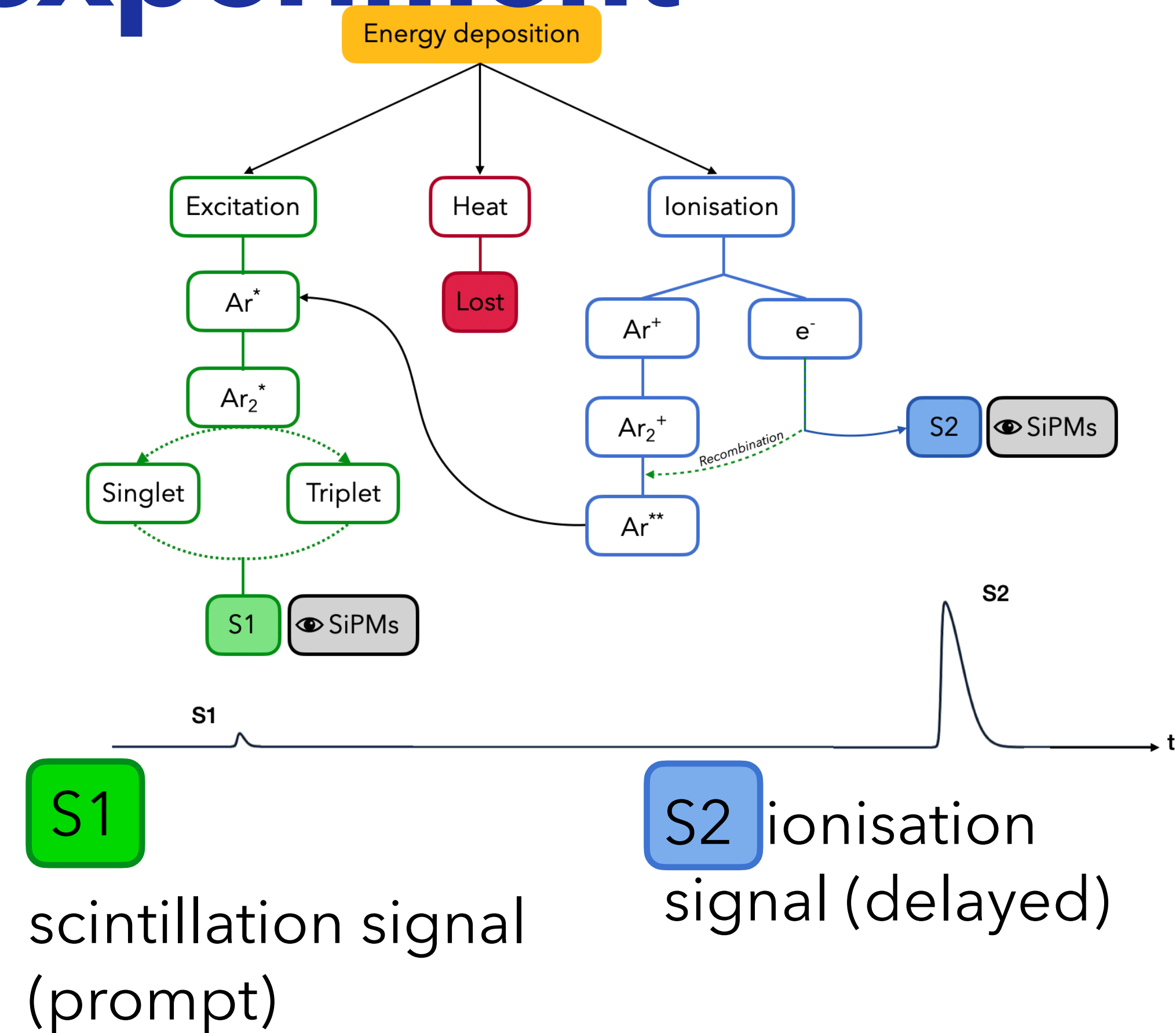
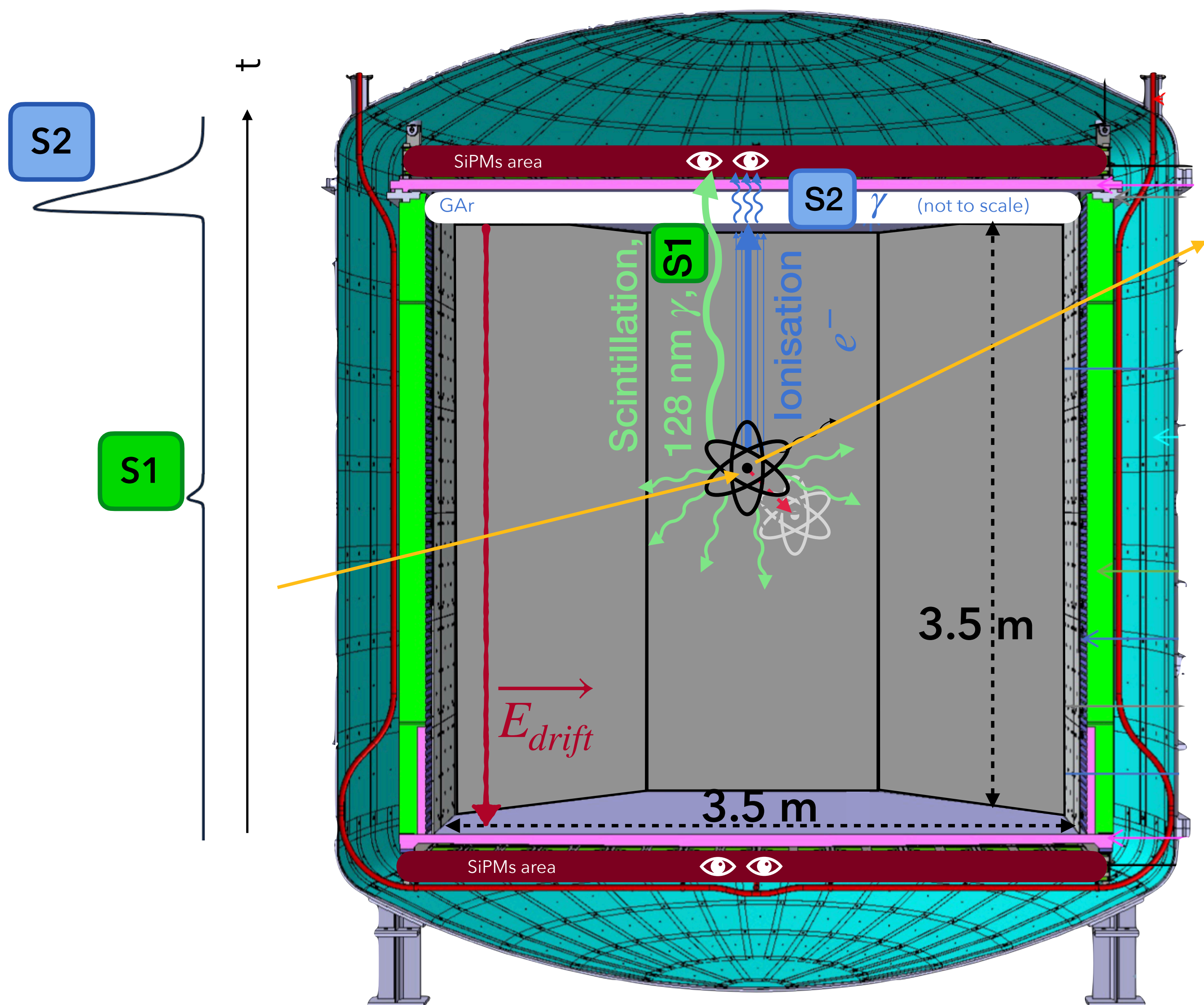
> 400 people



The DarkSide-20k experiment



The DarkSide-20k experiment



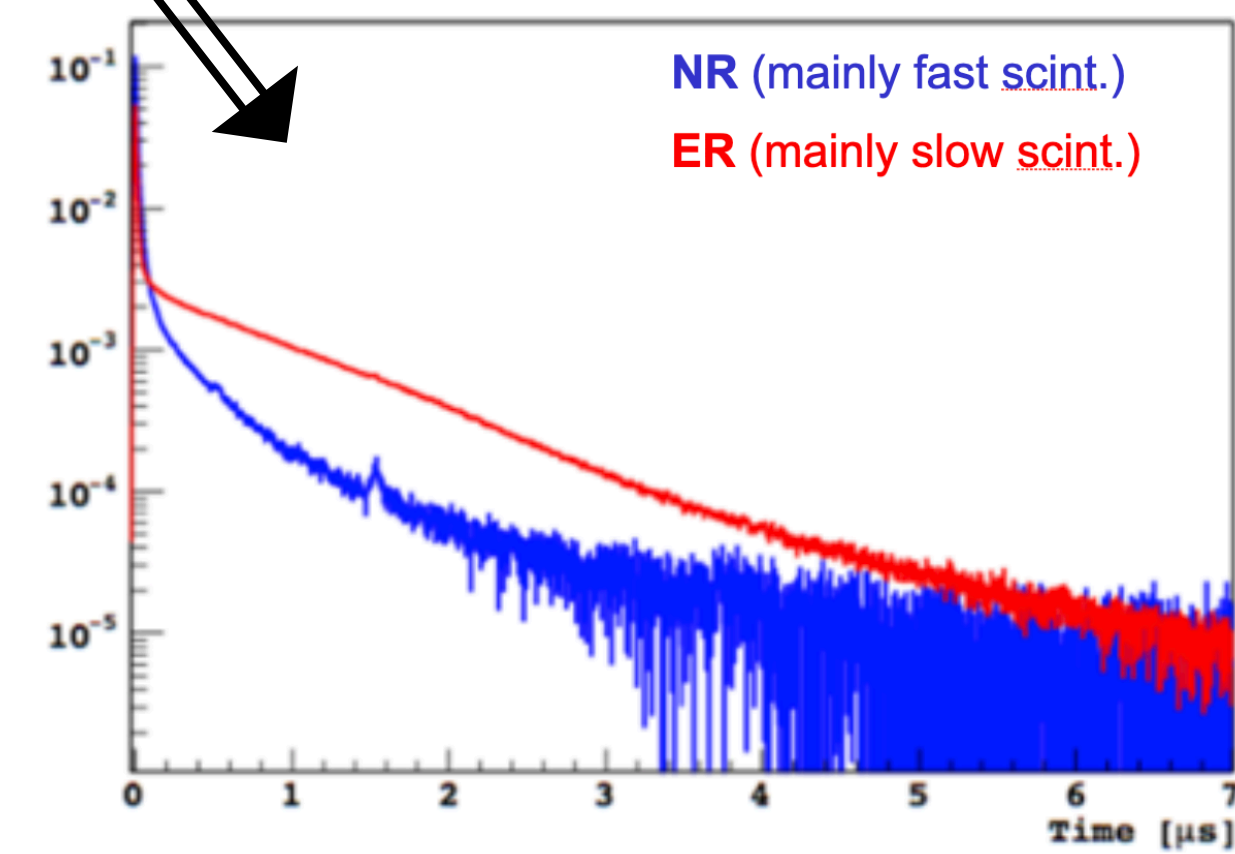
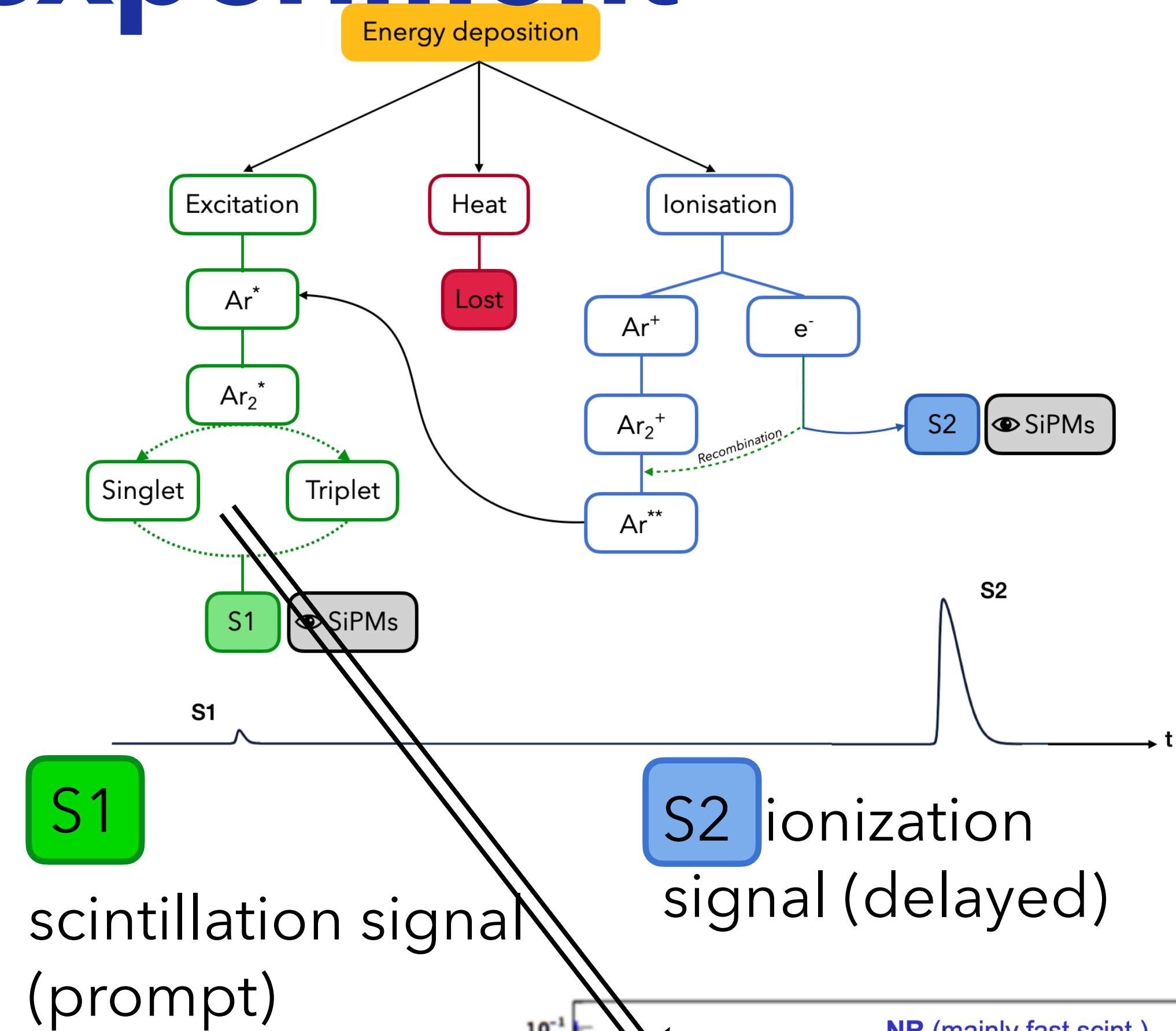
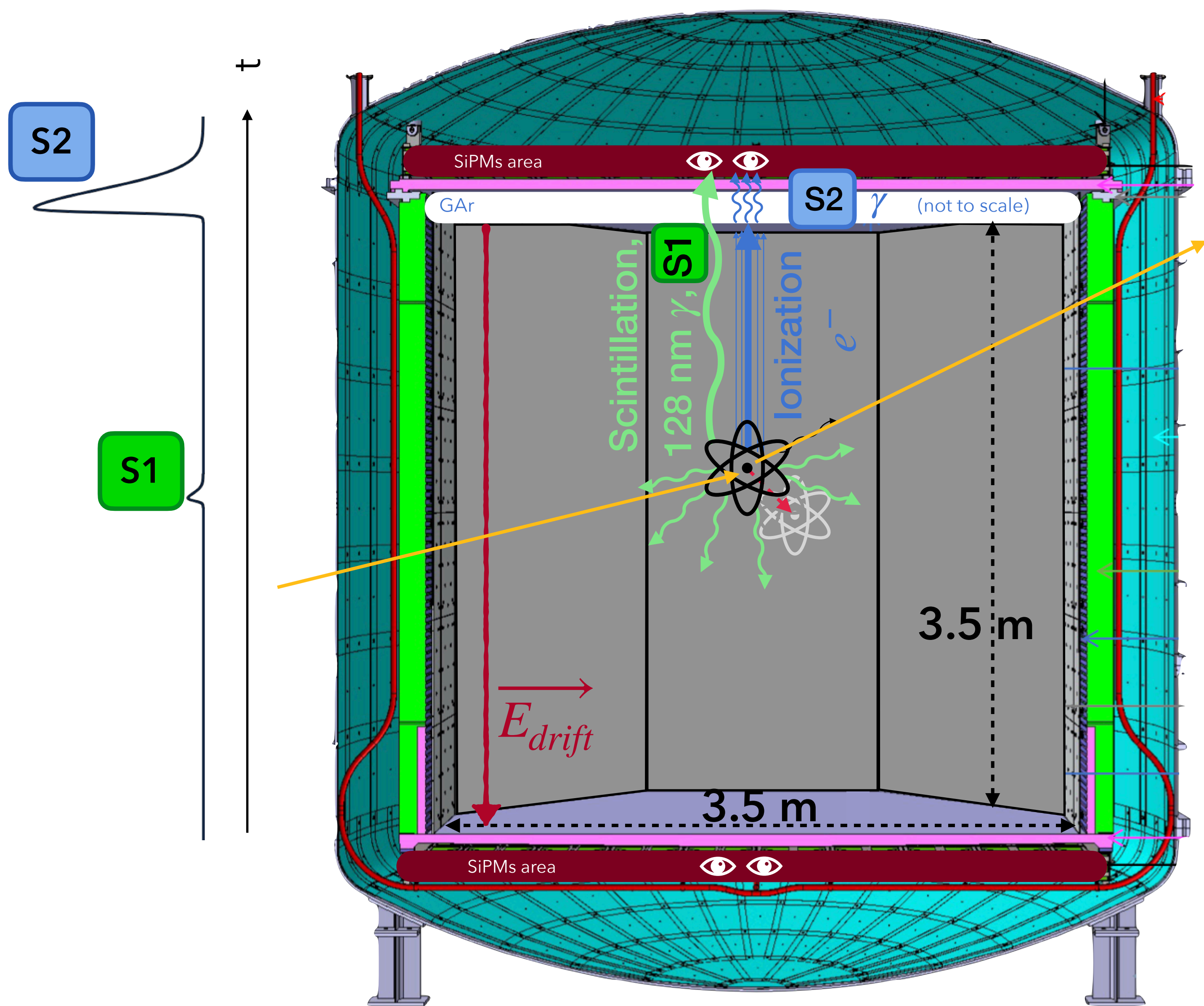
S1

scintillation signal
(prompt)

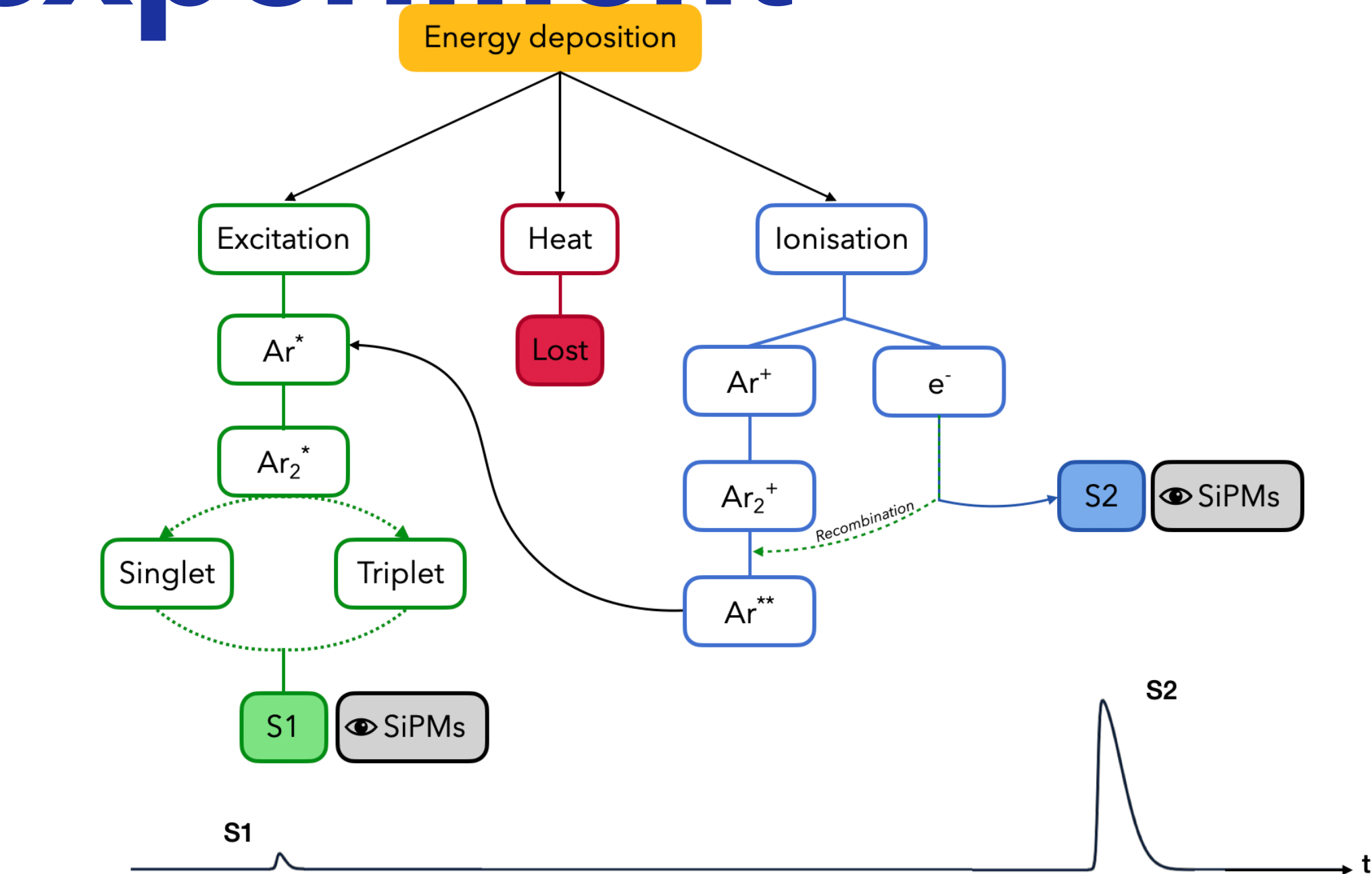
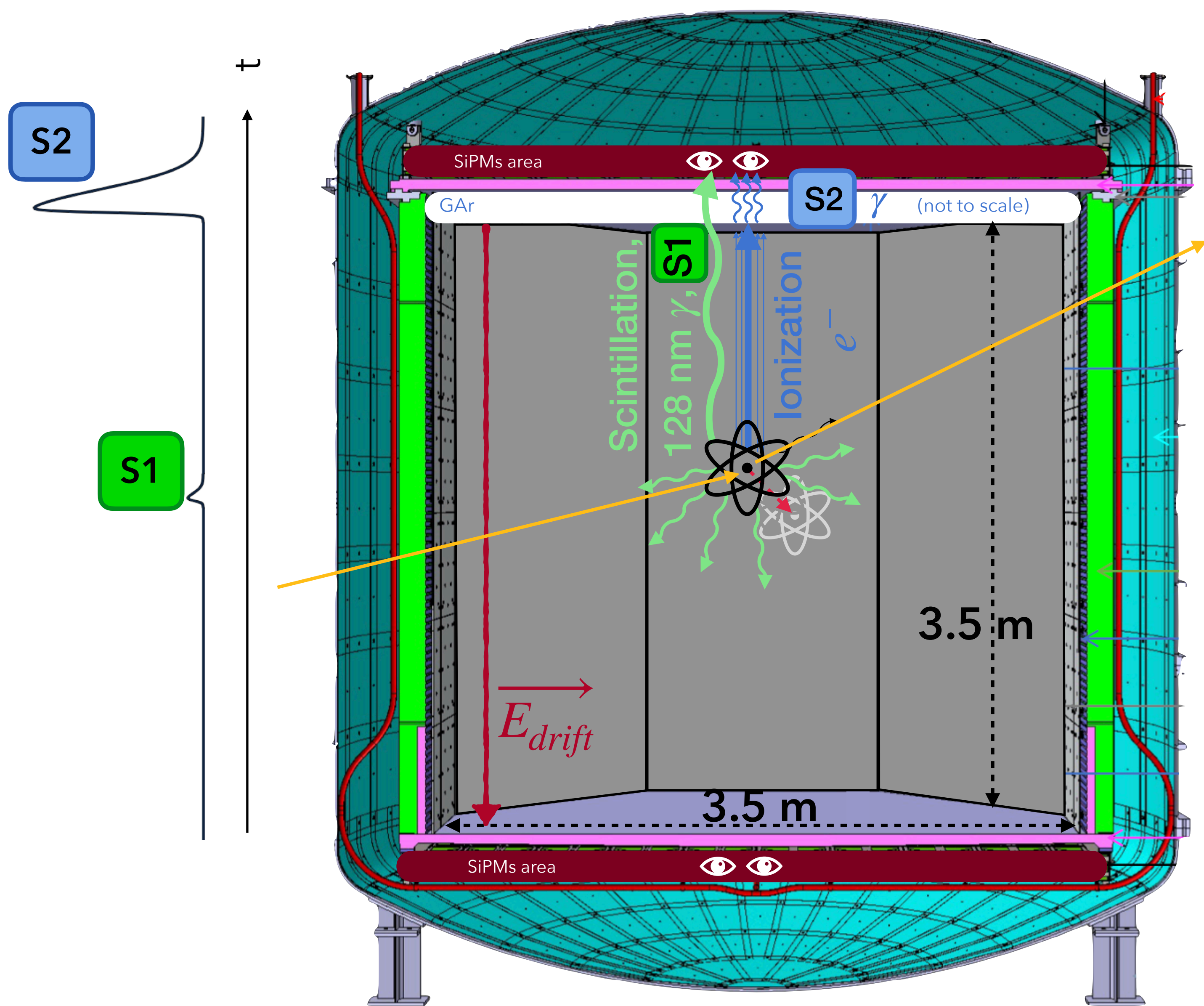
S2

ionisation
signal (delayed)

The DarkSide-20k experiment



The DarkSide-20k experiment



S1

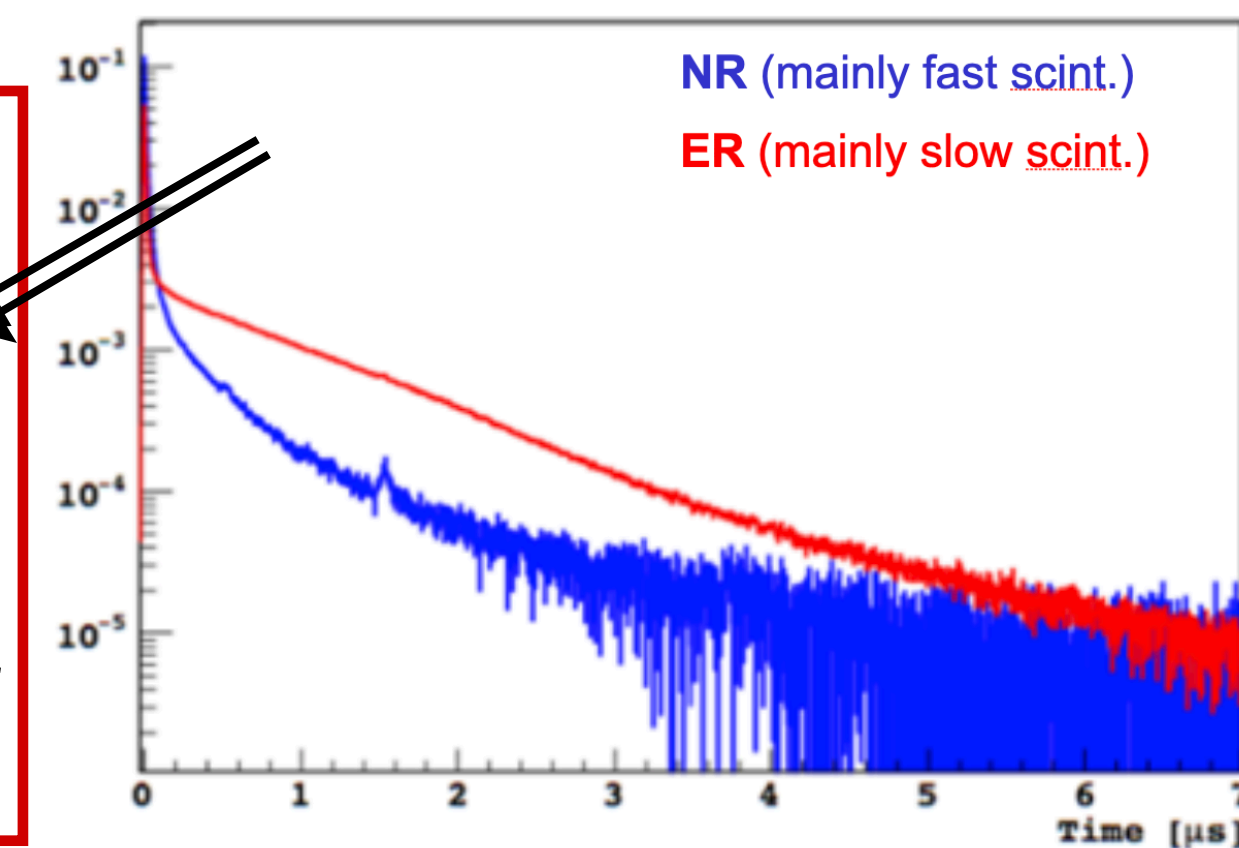
scintillation signal
(prompt)

S2

ionization
signal (delayed)

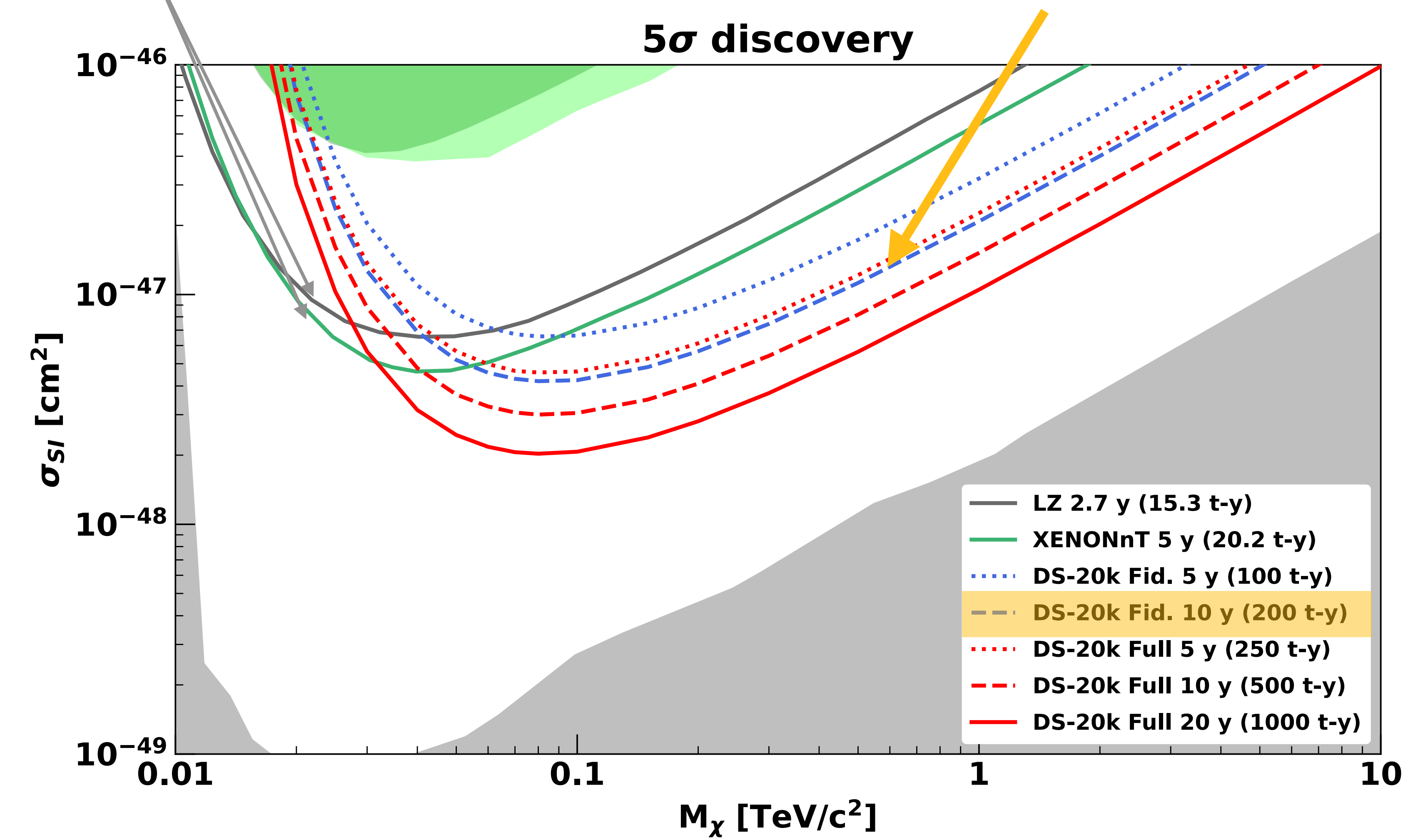
**Pulse Shape
Discrimination**

$O(10^8)$ signal-
background (bkg)
discrimination power
Bkg-free experiment



DarkSide-20k sensitivity

Xenon - based experiments DS-20k sensitivity for different exposure assumptions
Nominal exposure: 200 t.y



DS-20k claimed sensitivity (discovery potential) to high mass WIMPs as shown in its Technical Design Report

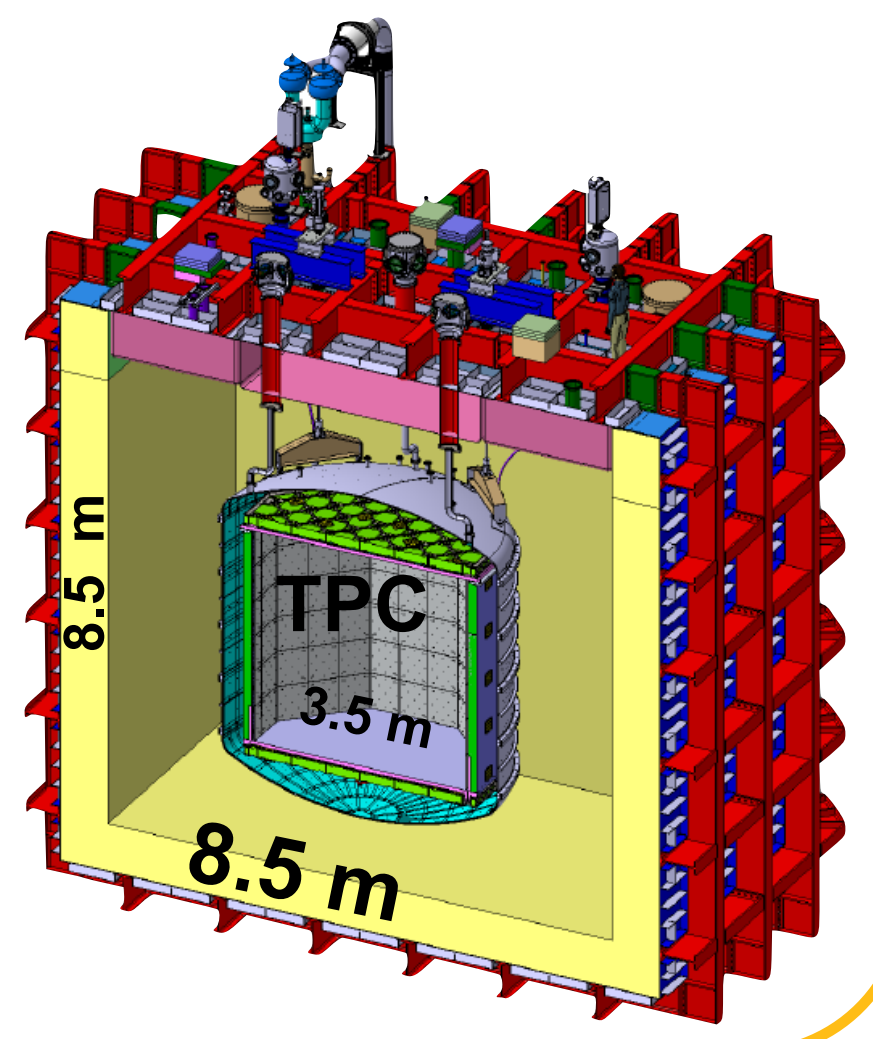
Benefits from background-free search

How to search for WIMPs ?

Create scalable detectors

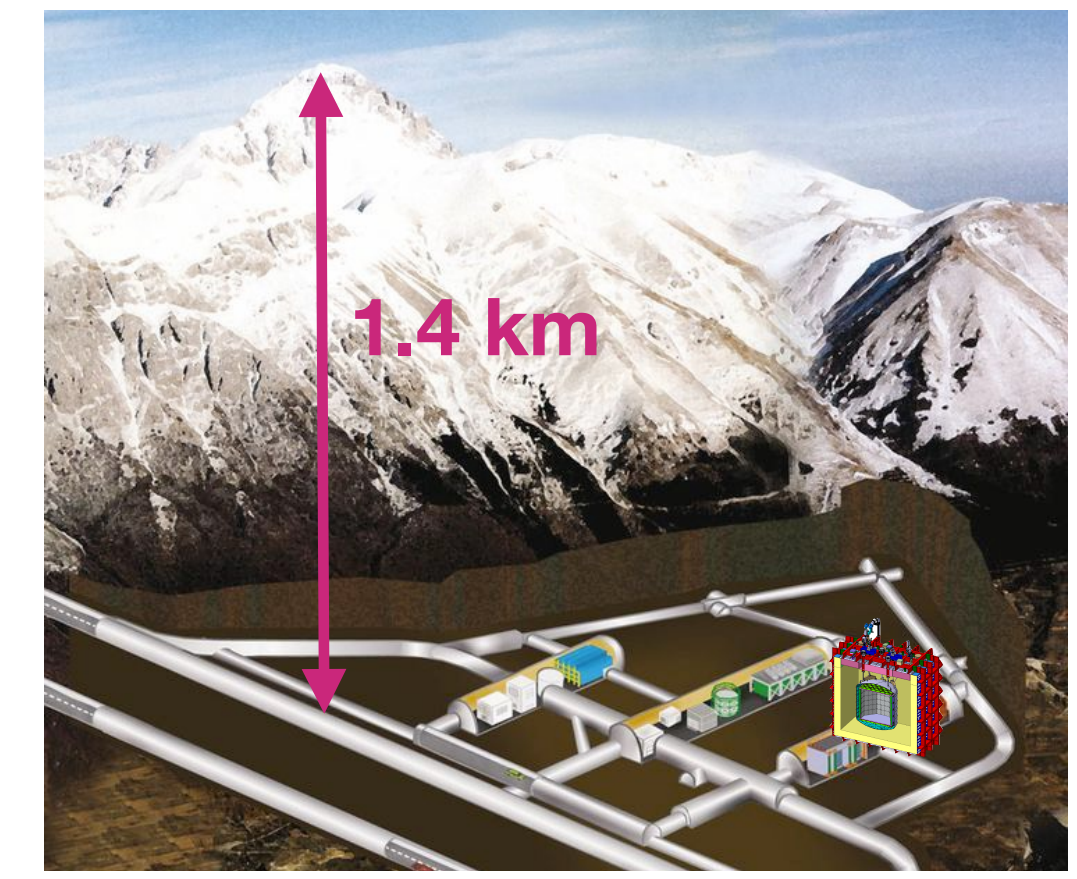
DarkSide-20k : 20t of argon at liquid phase in fiducial volume (700t in total)

Largest TPC ever built for DM search purposes



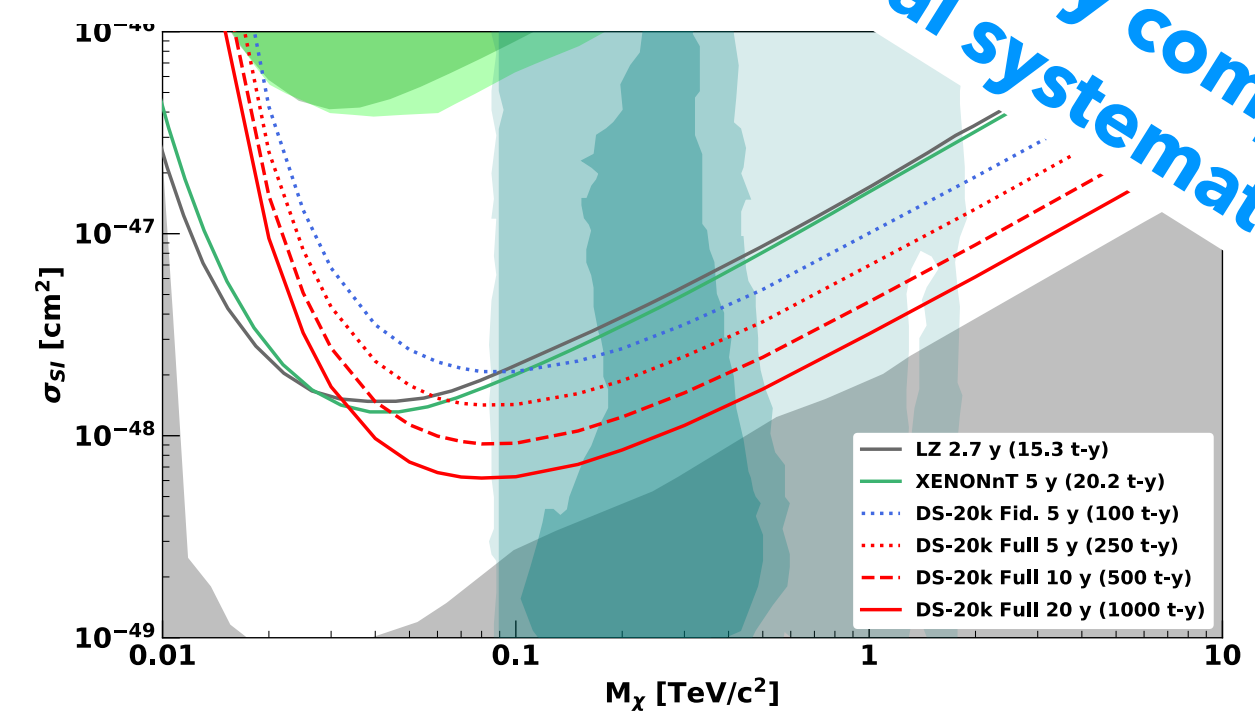
Shield the detector from background

DarkSide-20k : located at the Gran Sasso Laboratory (Italy) under 1.4km of rock to shield from cosmic rays



Compute the sensitivity of the experiment

Depends on the DM halo ρ_{χ}



Sensitivity computation and signal systematics studies

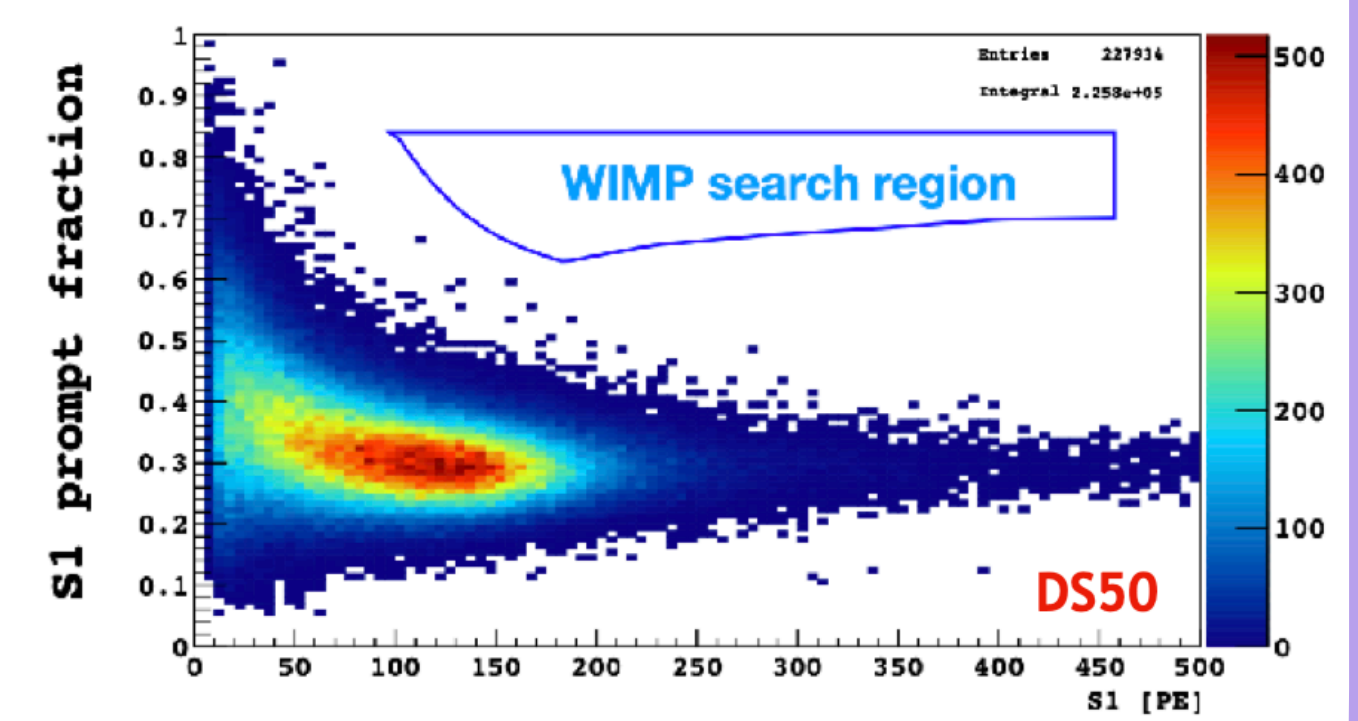
My contributions to the experiment

Searching for WIMPs

Understand and discriminate backgrounds and signal

Argon: extremely low power discrimination between backgrounds and signal

Calibration of DS20k



Background budget (after cuts): 0.1 event / 10y

DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

How to and related challenges

Goals of the calibration

- Calibrate energy deposits of NR signal and ER background
- Study the linearity of the detector response
- Study its spatial uniformity
- Study its time stability

Diffuse sources
ER uniform calibration

^{83m}Kr ^{220}Rn ^{39}Ar

*Only background characterization
No position resolution & linearity*

External sources
ER + NR calibration

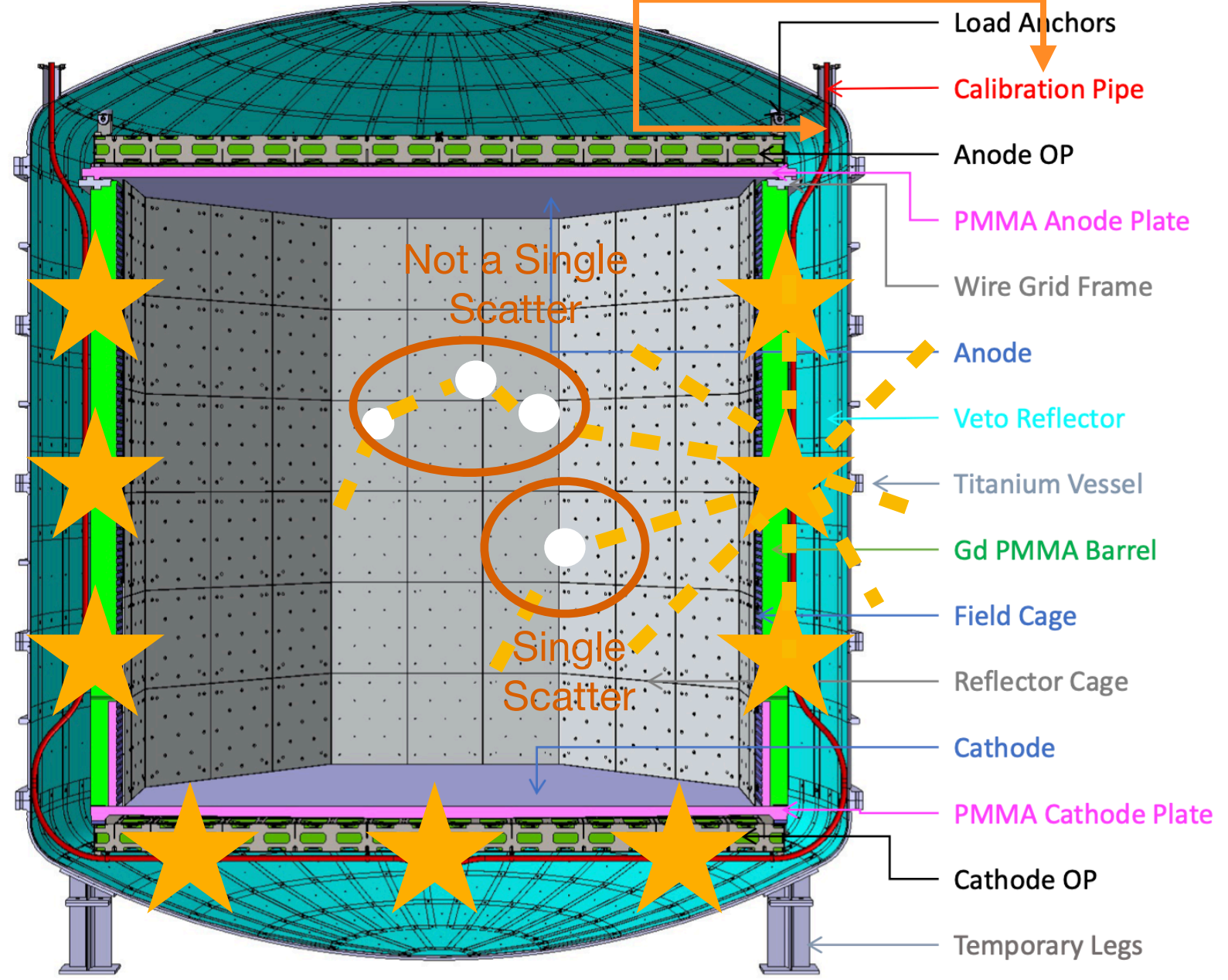
^{57}Co ^{133}Ba ^{22}Na ^{137}Cs ^{60}Co

AmLi AmC AmBe

CPPM contribution to detector construction



Circulated in calibration pipes

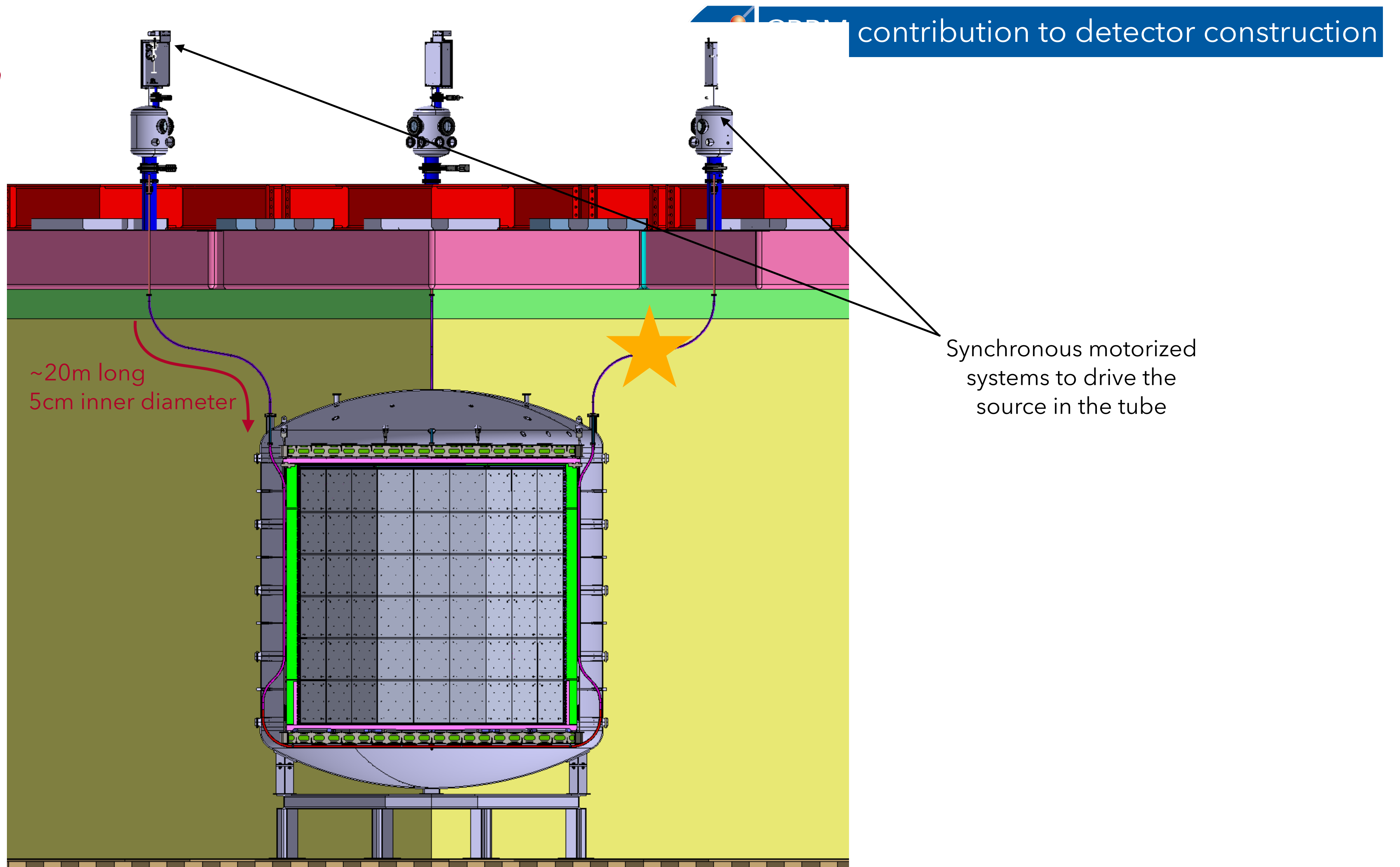


DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

How to and related challenges

Goals of the calibration

- Calibrate energy deposits of NR signal and ER background
- Study the linearity of the detector response
- Study its spatial uniformity
- Study its time stability



DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

How to and related challenges

CPPM contribution to detector construction



Goals of the calibration

- Calibrate energy deposits of NR signal and ER background
- Study the linearity of the detector response
- Study its spatial uniformity
- Study its time stability

Challenges of the calibration

- Largest TPC ever built for DM search purposes
- Narrow and cryogenic environment

Diffuse sources
ER uniform calibration

^{83m}Kr ^{220}Rn ^{39}Ar

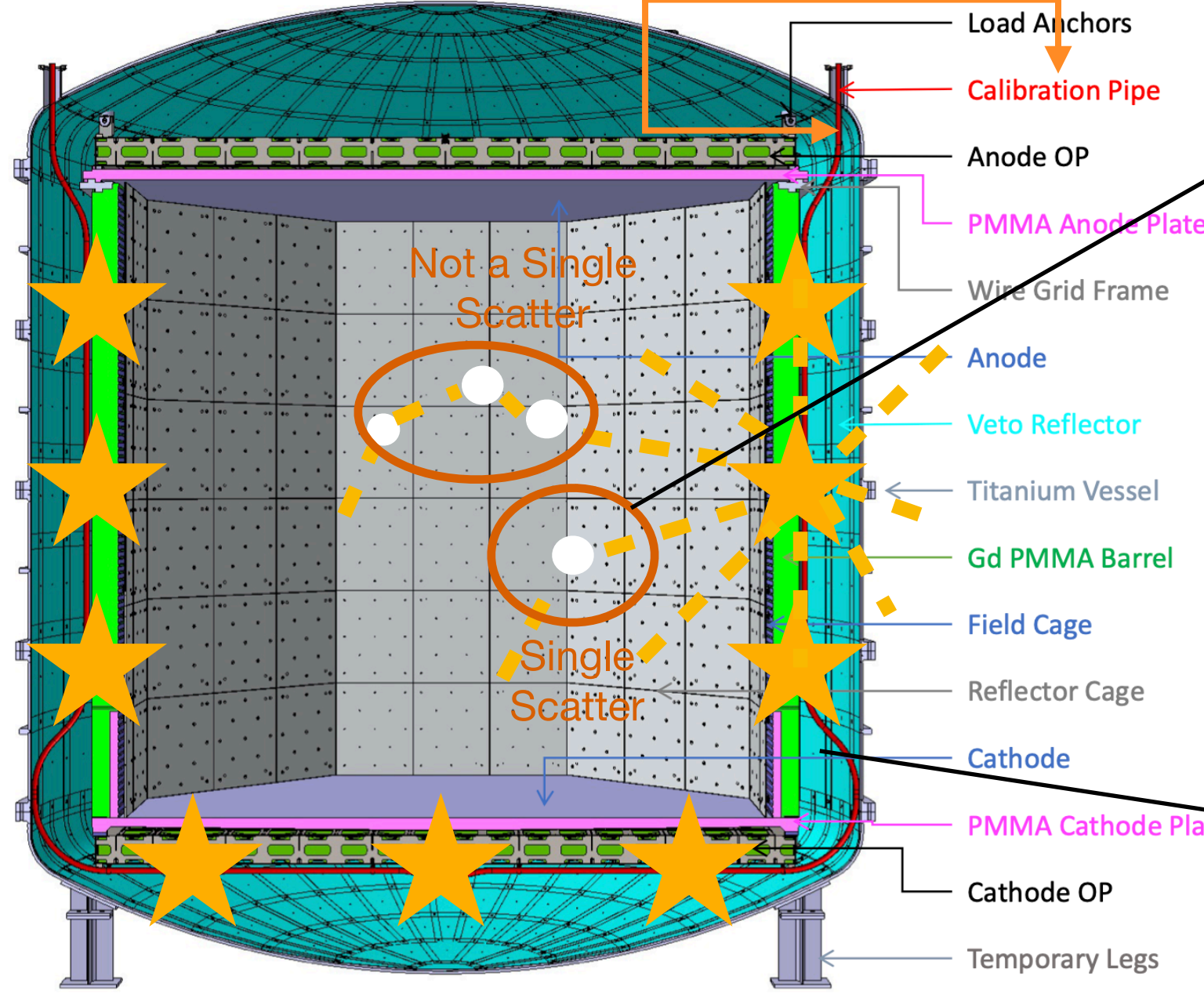
*Only background characterization
No position resolution & linearity*

External sources
ER + NR calibration

^{57}Co ^{133}Ba ^{22}Na ^{137}Cs ^{60}Co

AmLi AmC AmBe

Circulated in calibration pipes



1

Make the TPC calibration as efficient as possible

Play with the hypotheses to reach an affordable time for the calibration runs

2

Tubes dived inside the veto buffer

Impact (to minimise) on the light collection efficiency of the veto buffer

3

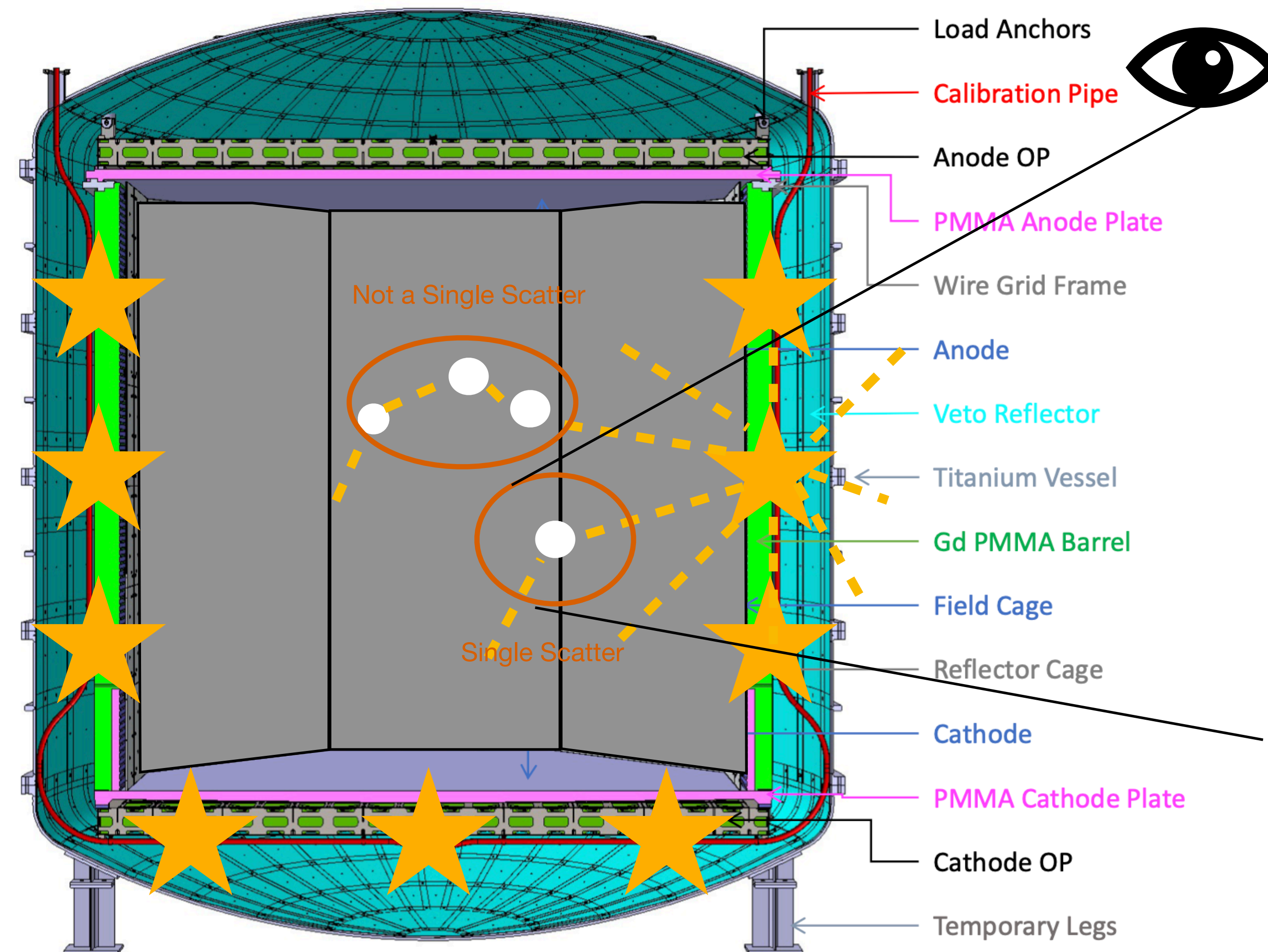
Tubes close to the TPC: background induced ?

How much background is induced because of the tubes ? Is it negligible ?

DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

Simulation of the calibration

- Signal - like (neutron emitters) or background - like (photon emitters) sources
- Simulate energy spectra in the TPC from the exposure of a radioactive source
 - GEANT4-based software
 - Source positioned on the side or at the bottom of the TPC (in the tube)
- Selection of interesting events (single scatters = WIMP-like)



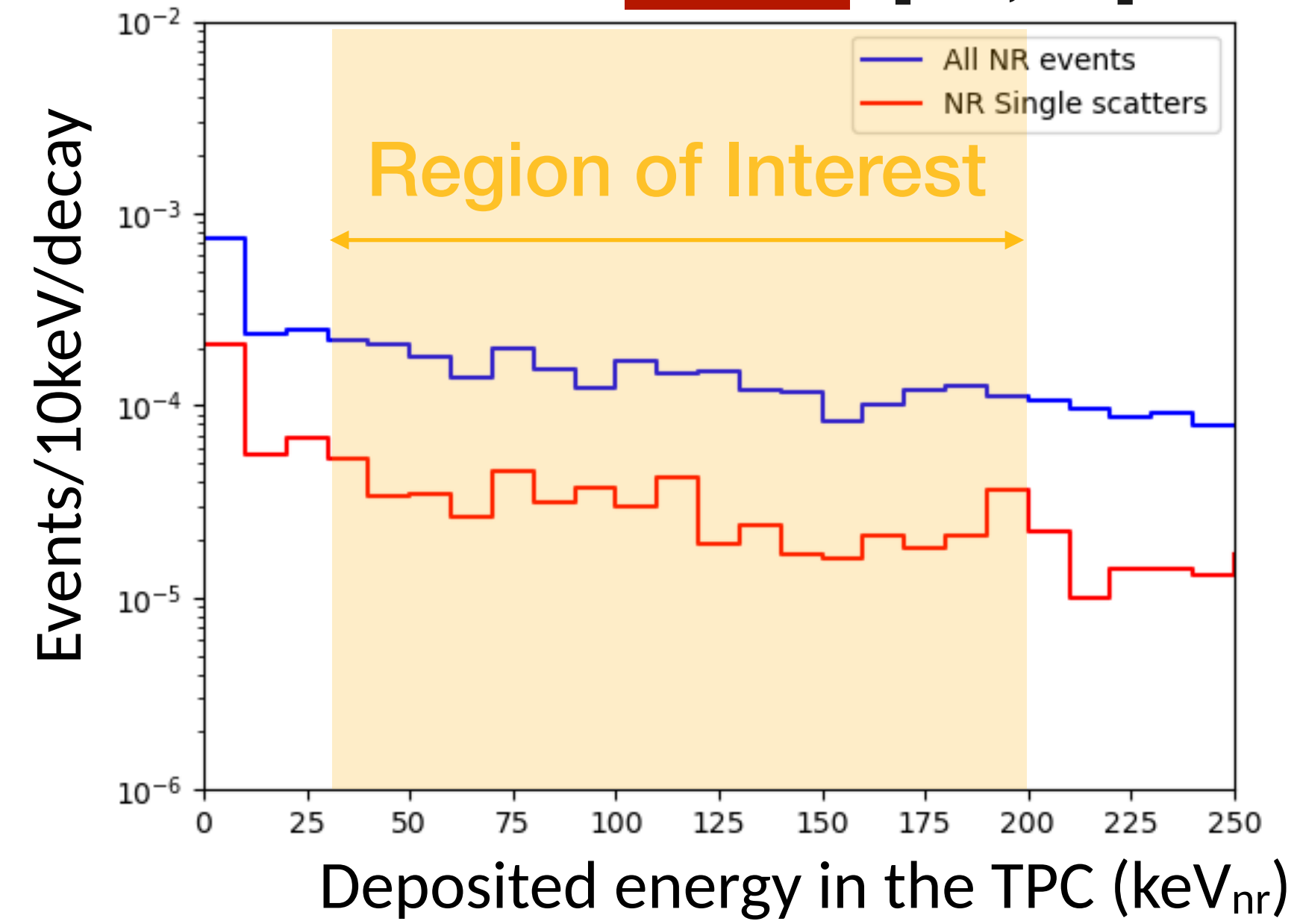
DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

Simulation of the calibration

NR calibration (signal-like)

| | AmBe | AmC |
|---------|-----------|--------|
| E (MeV) | [0.2, 12] | [2, 7] |

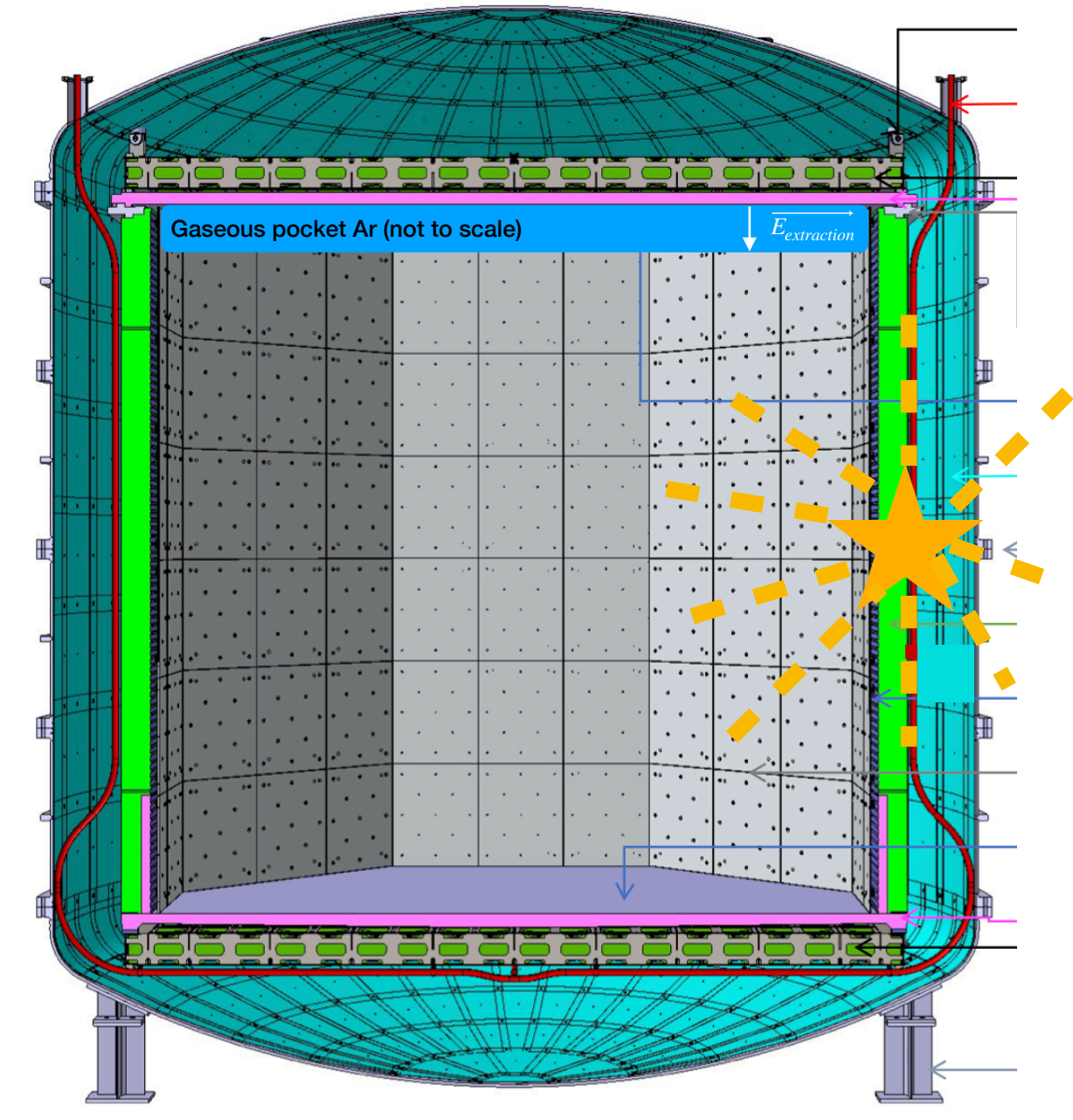
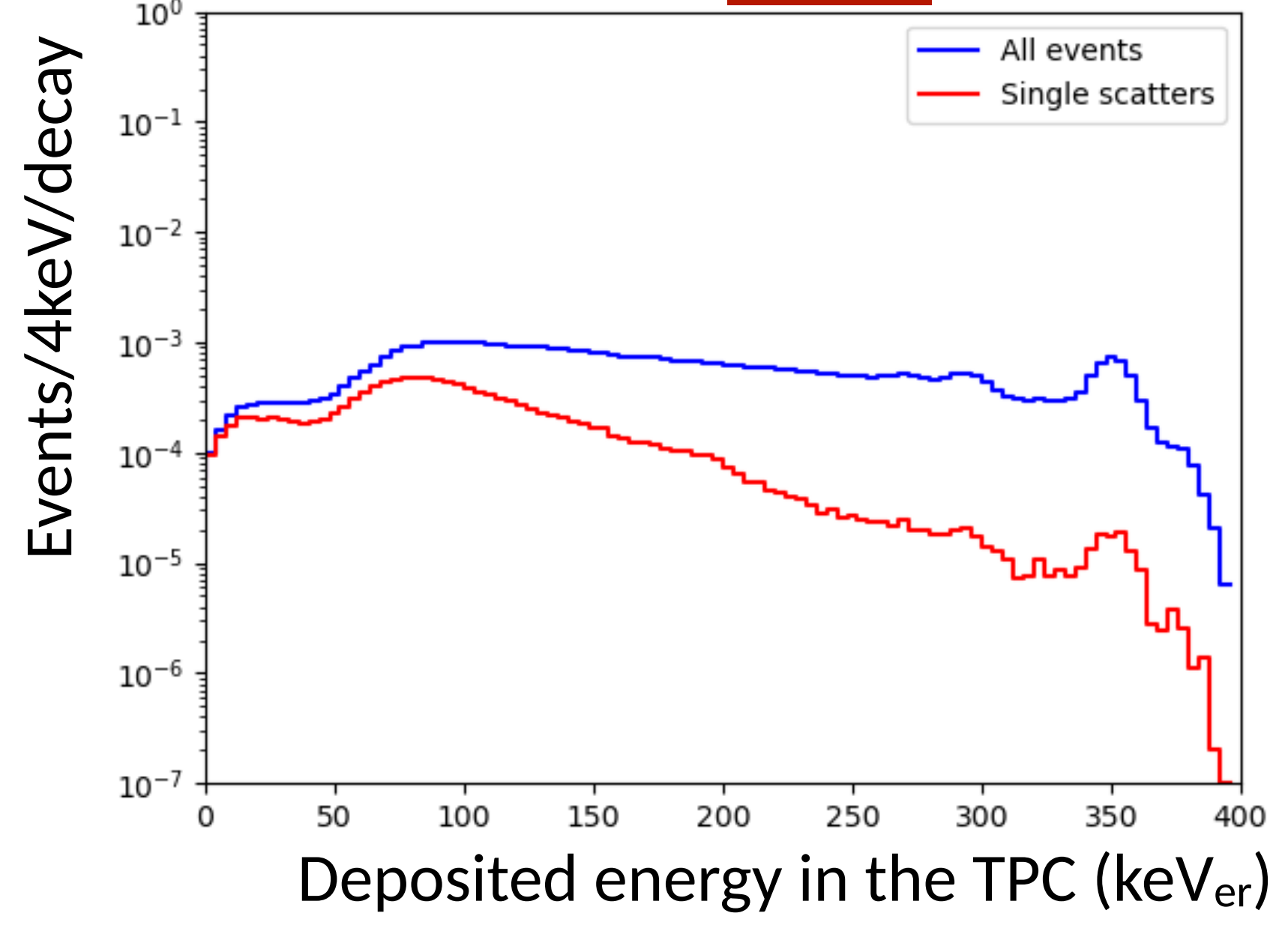
AmBe [0.2, 12] MeV



ER calibration (background-like)

| | ⁵⁷ Co | ¹³³ Ba | ²² Na | ²² Na | ¹³⁷ Cs | ⁶⁰ Co | ⁶⁰ Co |
|---------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| E (keV) | 122 | 356 | 511 | 1274 | 662 | 1173 | 1322 |

¹³³Ba 356 keV



DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

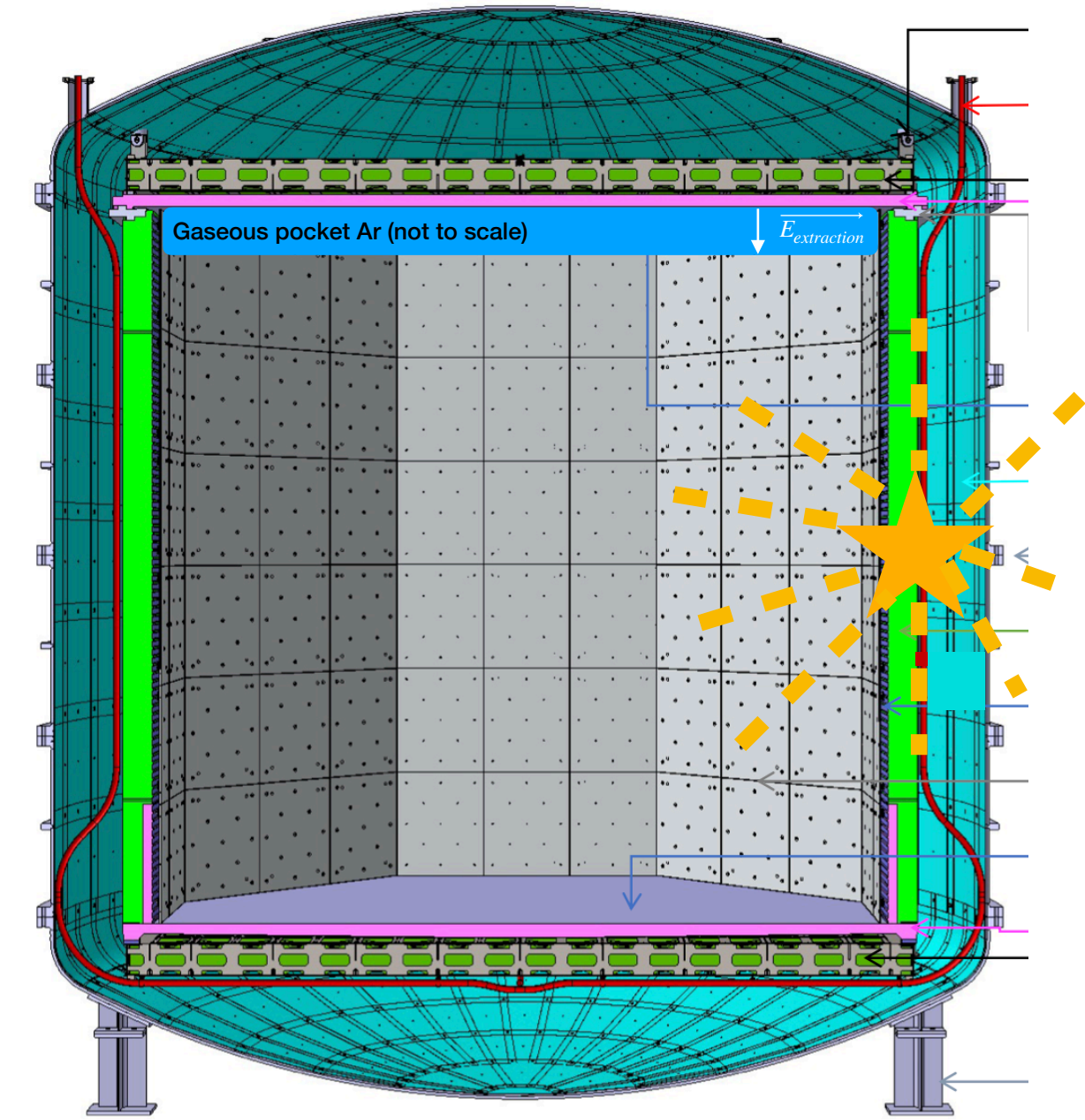
Simulation of the calibration

NR calibration (signal-like)

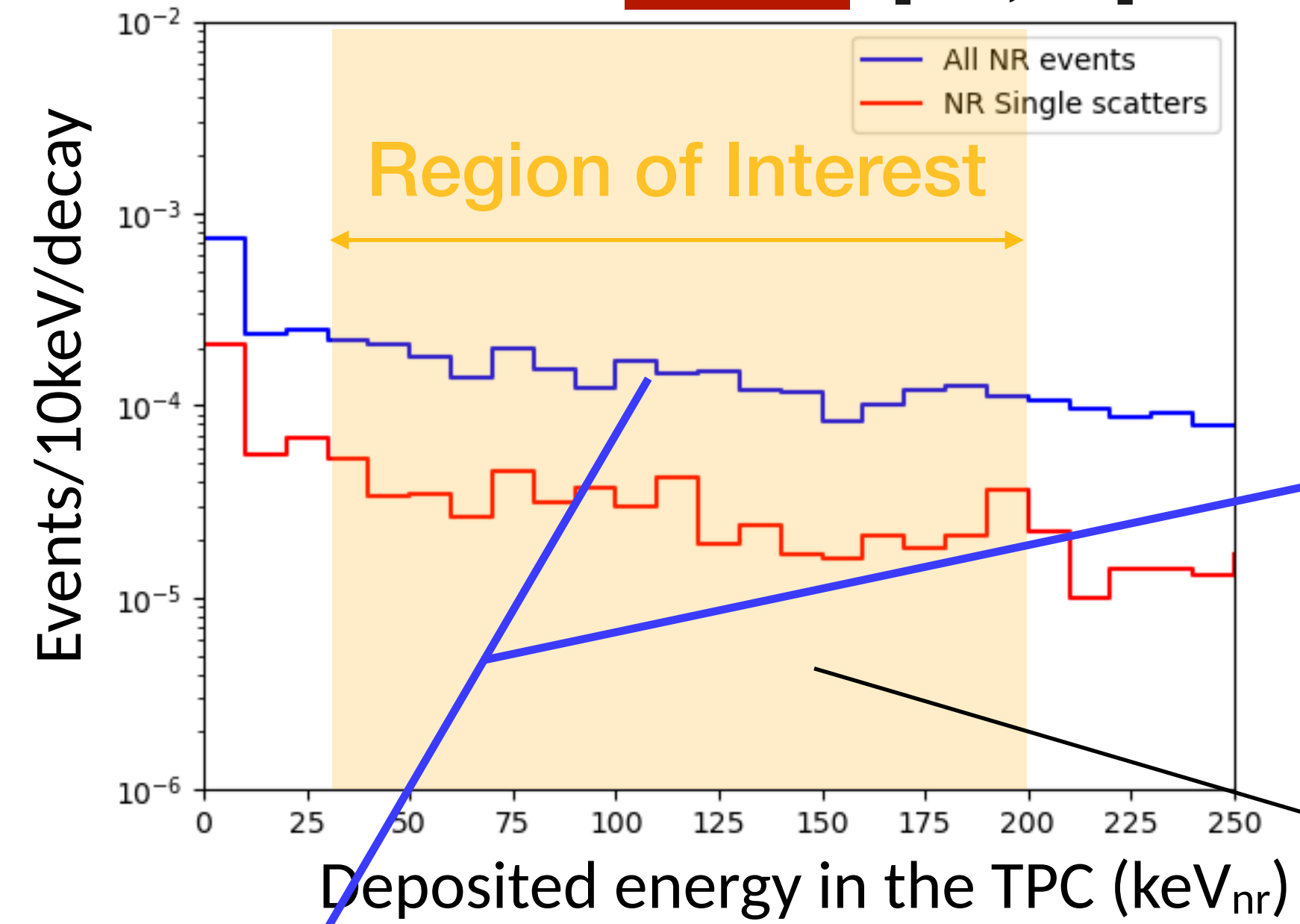
| | | |
|---------|-----------|--------|
| | AmBe | AmC |
| E (MeV) | [0.2, 12] | [2, 7] |

ER calibration (background-like)

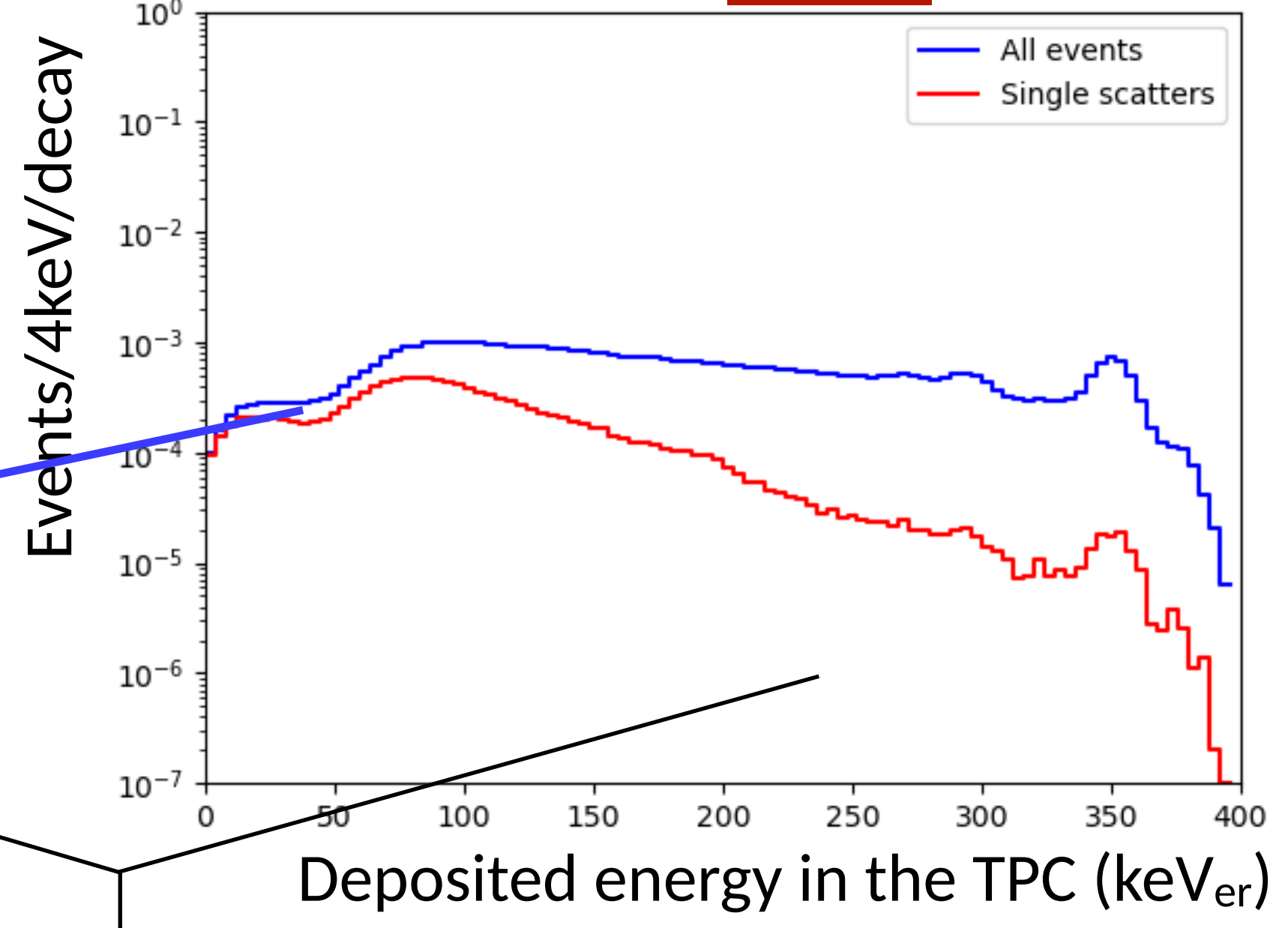
| | | | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | ⁵⁷ Co | ¹³³ Ba | ²² Na | ²² Na | ¹³⁷ Cs | ⁶⁰ Co | ⁶⁰ Co |
| E (keV) | 122 | 356 | 511 | 1274 | 662 | 1173 | 1322 |



AmBe [0.2, 12] MeV



¹³³Ba 356 keV



Rates of "all events" permit to optimise the sources activity to take into account the DAQ limitations

Computation of rates of events/decay + Assumptions on the detector and calibration runs (verified with the mock ups at CPPM and CERN)

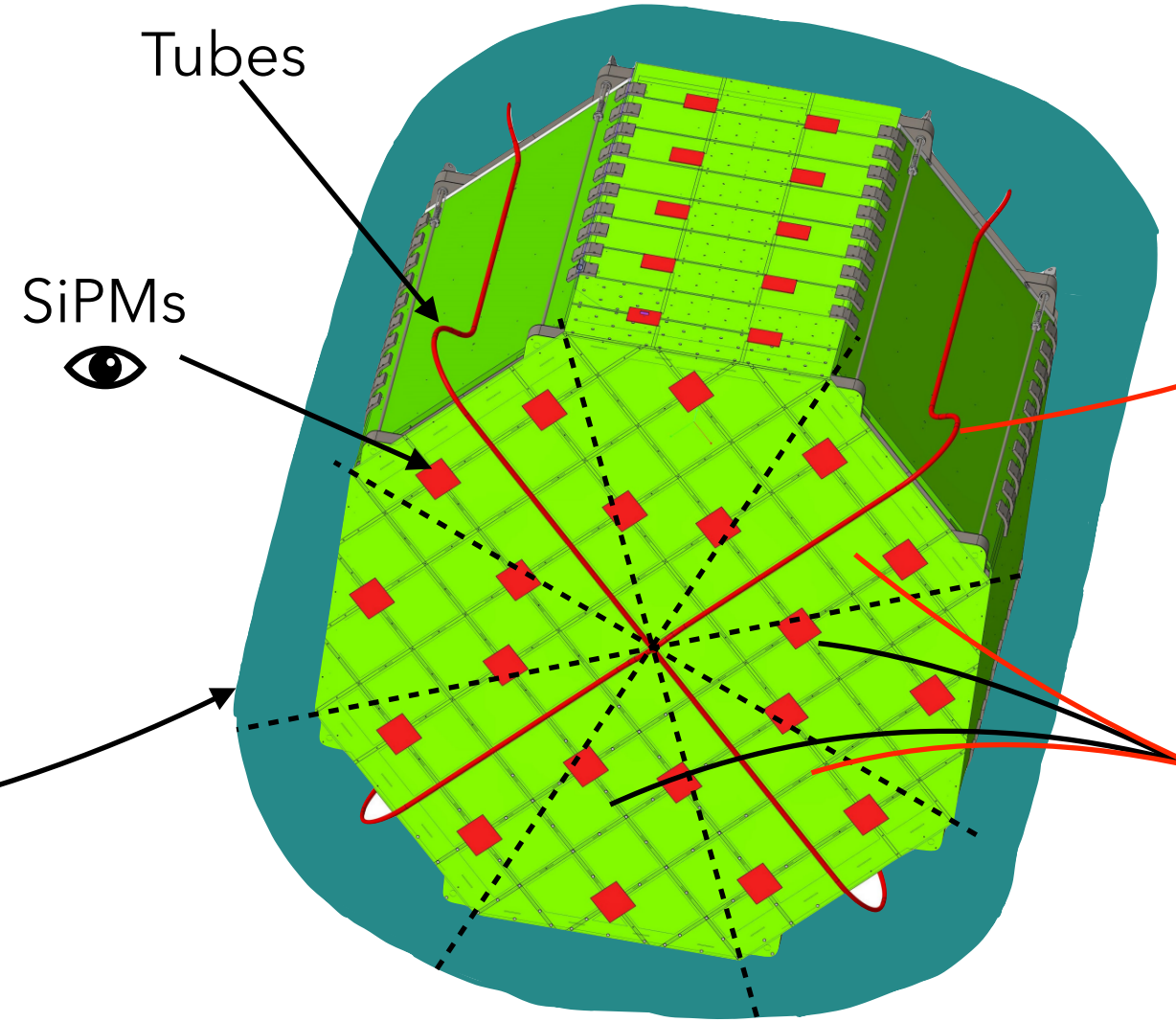
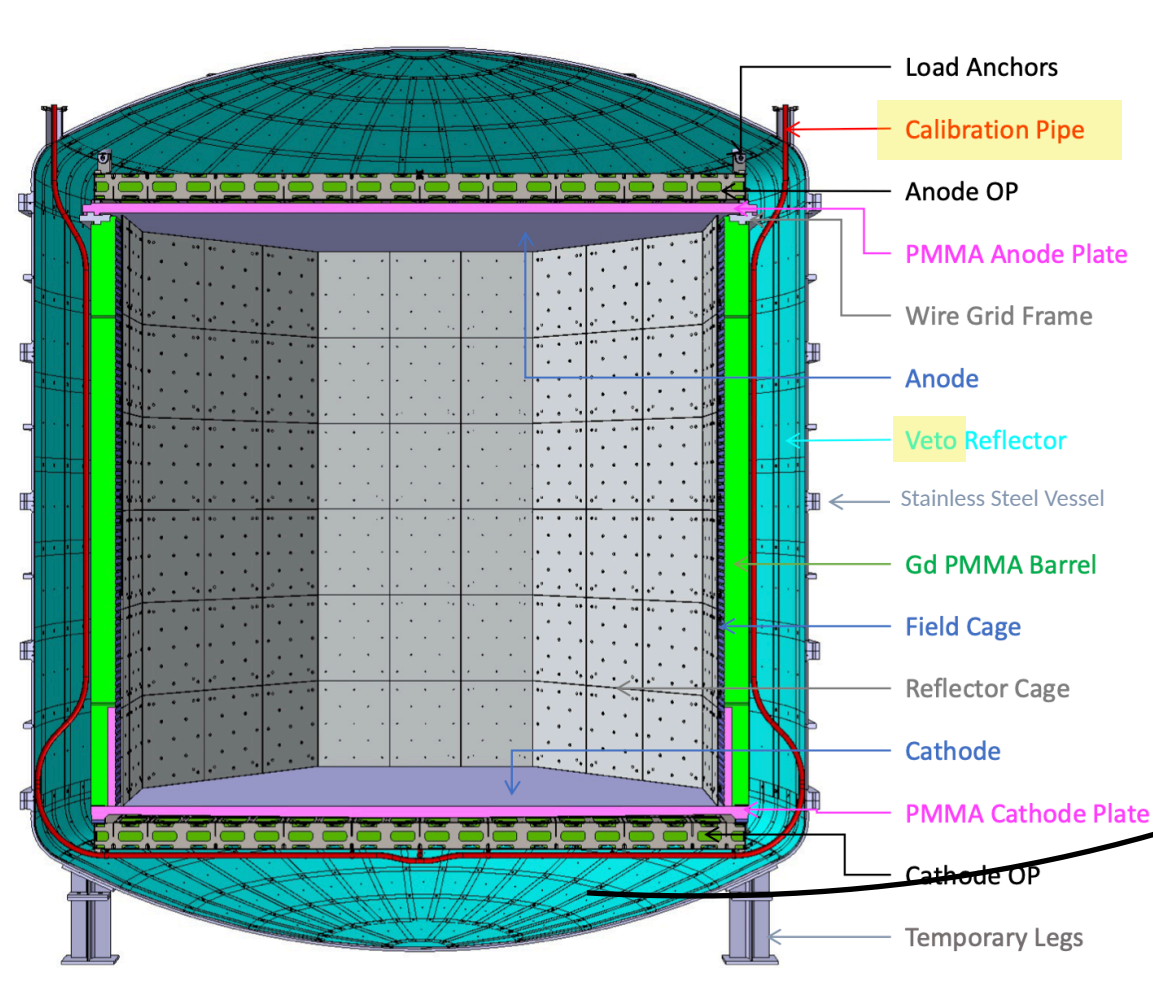
Estimate of the time needed to perform the calibration program
With 9 positions of calibration

NR calibration (with neutrons) : 15 days

ER calibration (with photons) : 1 day to 1 week

DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

Adverse impact on the veto's light collection efficiency



Tubes can absorb the light emitted by the argon when scintillating: this could lower the veto light collection efficiency (LCE)

Impact estimated thanks to dedicated optical simulations in the veto

Asymmetry between octants up to 0.3 %

| LCE | Relative loss of LCE (%) |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Full veto buffer (3D) | 0.9 |
| Octants with pipes | 1.1 |

Errors on these numbers are < 1e-2 (Gaussian statistical errors)

With **reflector-wrapped** stainless steel tubes

= Best solution after different tests of optical boundaries

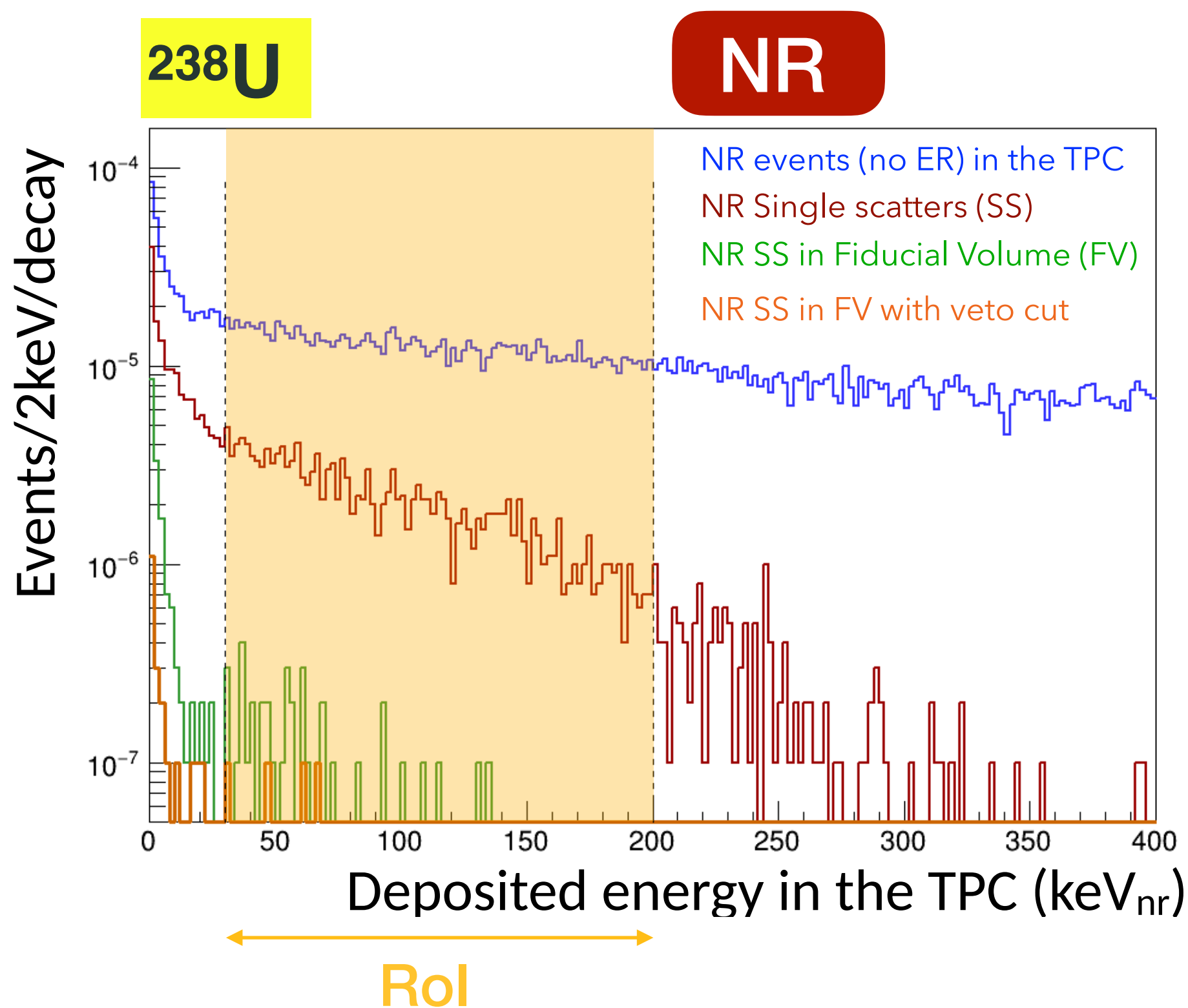
DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

Background contribution

Very low background experiment & stainless steel tubes => control radio-purity

| | ²³⁸ U up | ²³⁸ U mid | ²³⁸ U low | ²³² Th | ²³⁵ U | ⁴⁰ K | ⁶⁰ Co | ¹³⁷ Cs |
|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Activity (mBq/kg) | 1 | 0.72 | 1 | 0.83 | 0.046 | 0.49 | 3.1 | 0.86 |
| Neutron yield (n/decay) | 1.1e-9 | 4.8e-7 | 1.1e-9 | 1.8e-6 | 3.7e-7 | | | |

From (α, n) reactions due to natural contamination in ²³²Th and ²³⁸U and spontaneous fission of ²³⁸U



| | ²³⁸ U up | ²³⁸ U mid | ²³⁸ U low | ²³² Th | ²³⁵ U |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| NR bkg / 10 years (200 t.y.) | 4.0e-9 | 1.3e-6 | 4.0e-9 | 5.7e-6 | 6.0e-8 |

- NR background from pipes represents < 0.01% of DS20k budget: **fully negligible**
- Same study for ER : **ER background also negligible + S1/S2 ratio and PSD (= argon asset)**

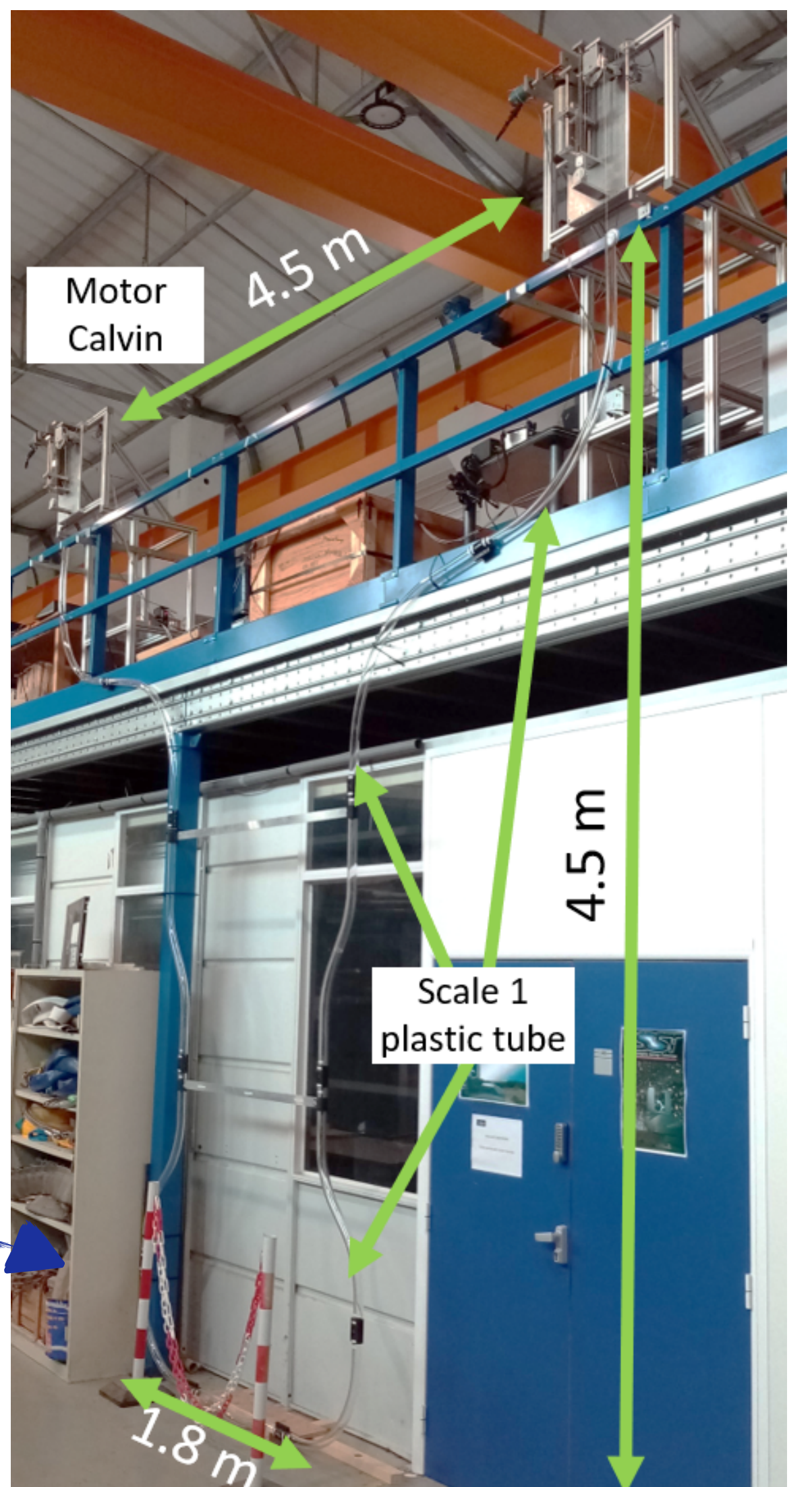
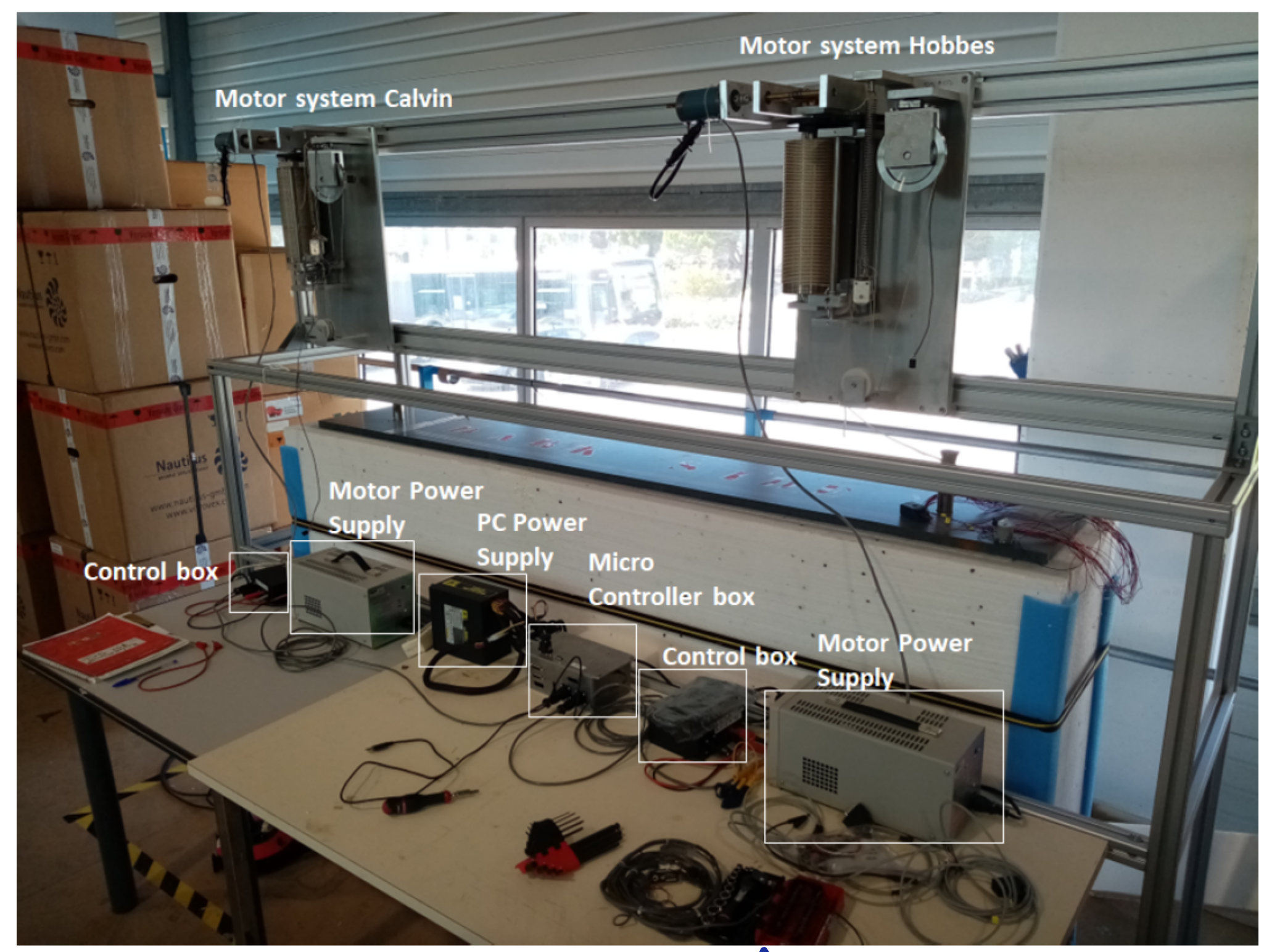
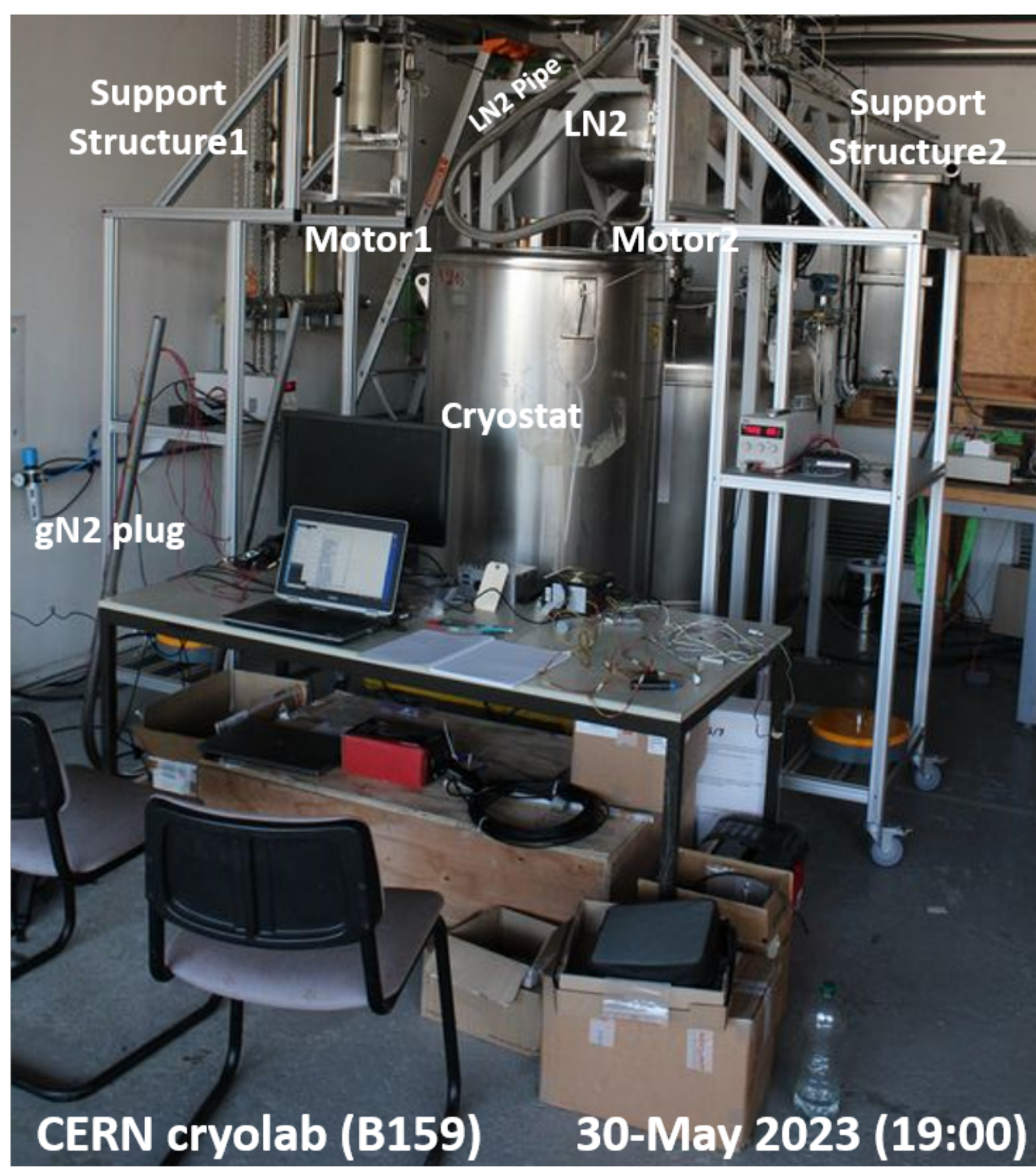
DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

Feasibility tests at CPPM and CERN

 CERN

 CPPM

 CPPM



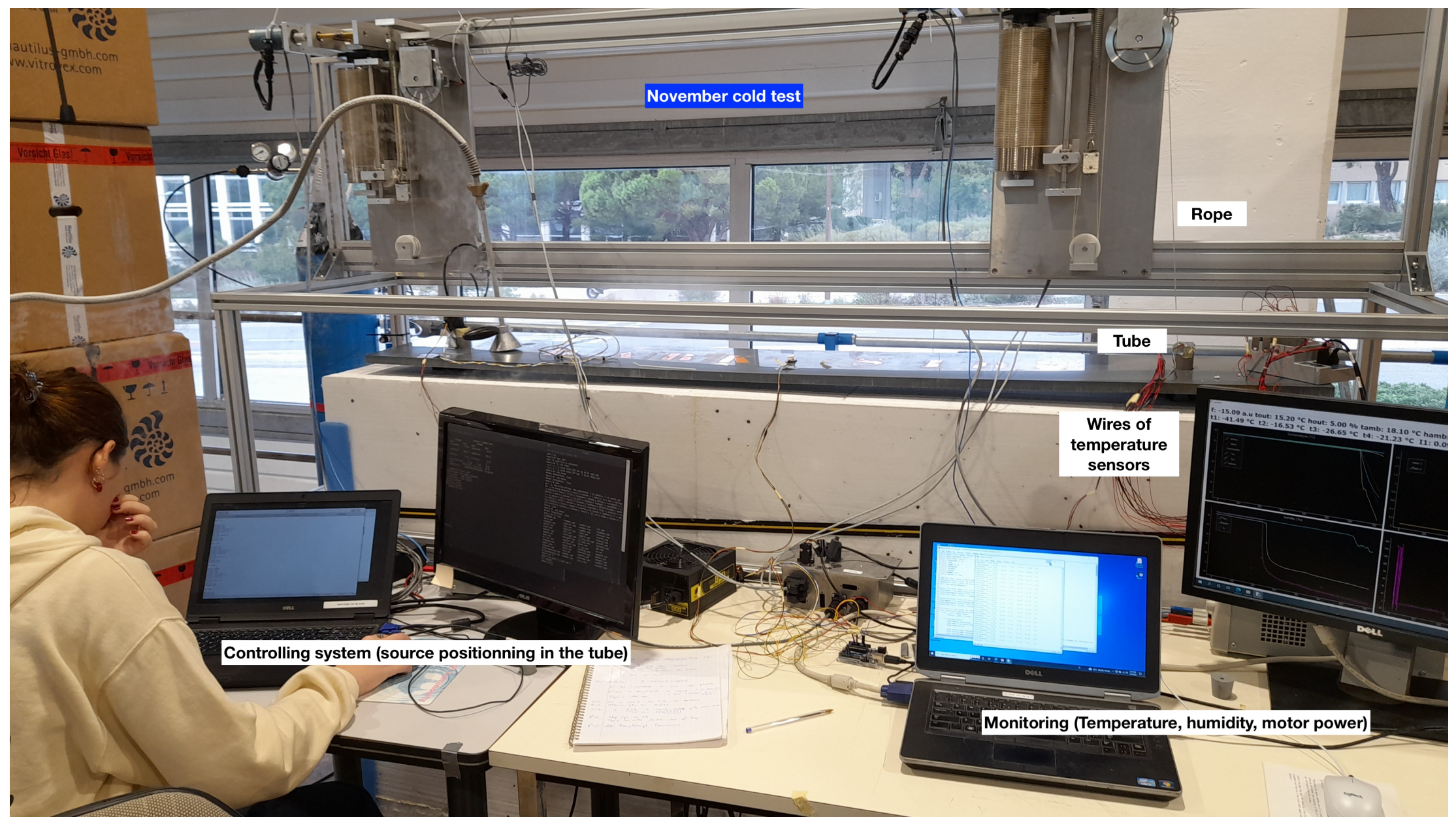
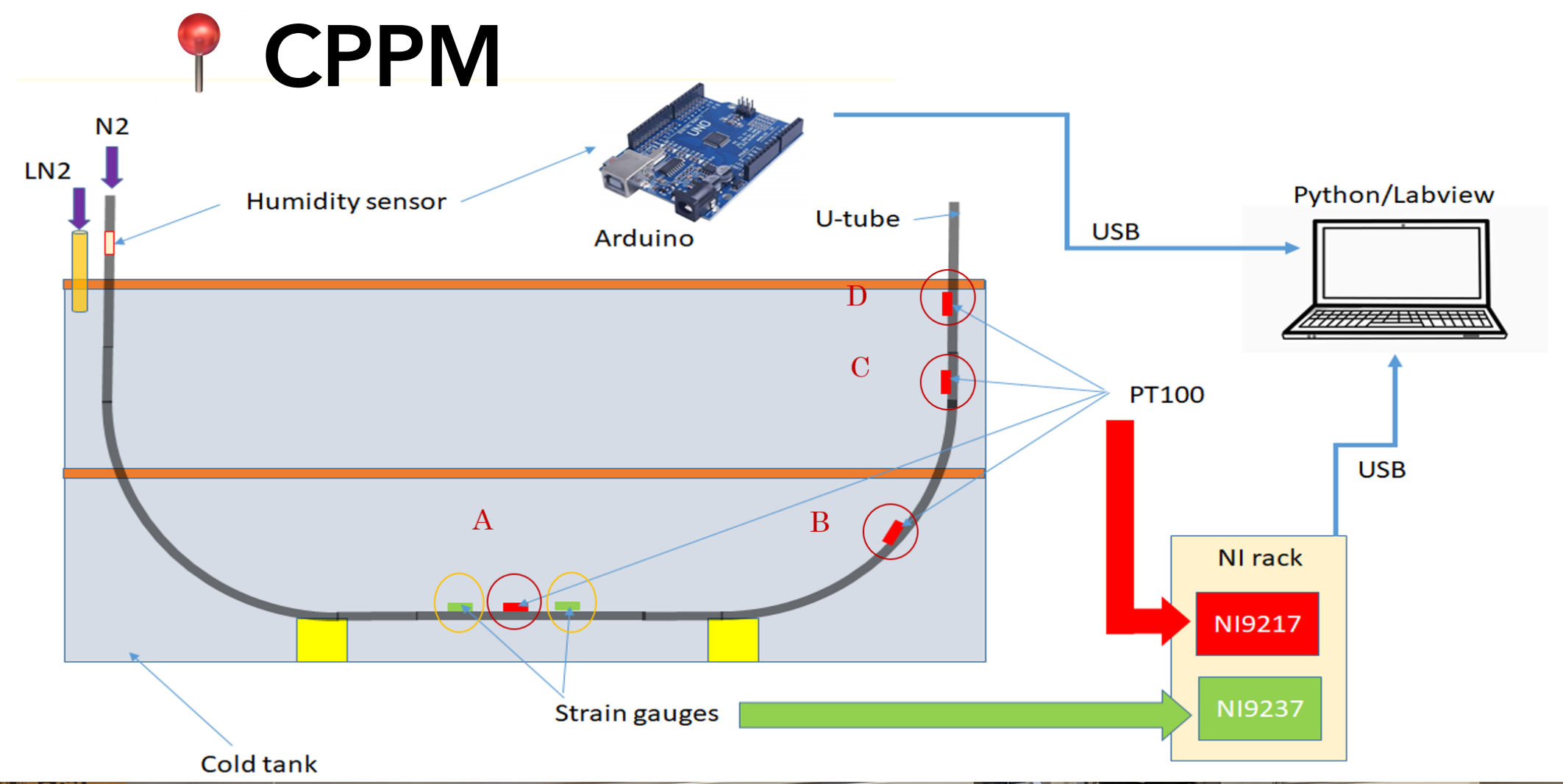
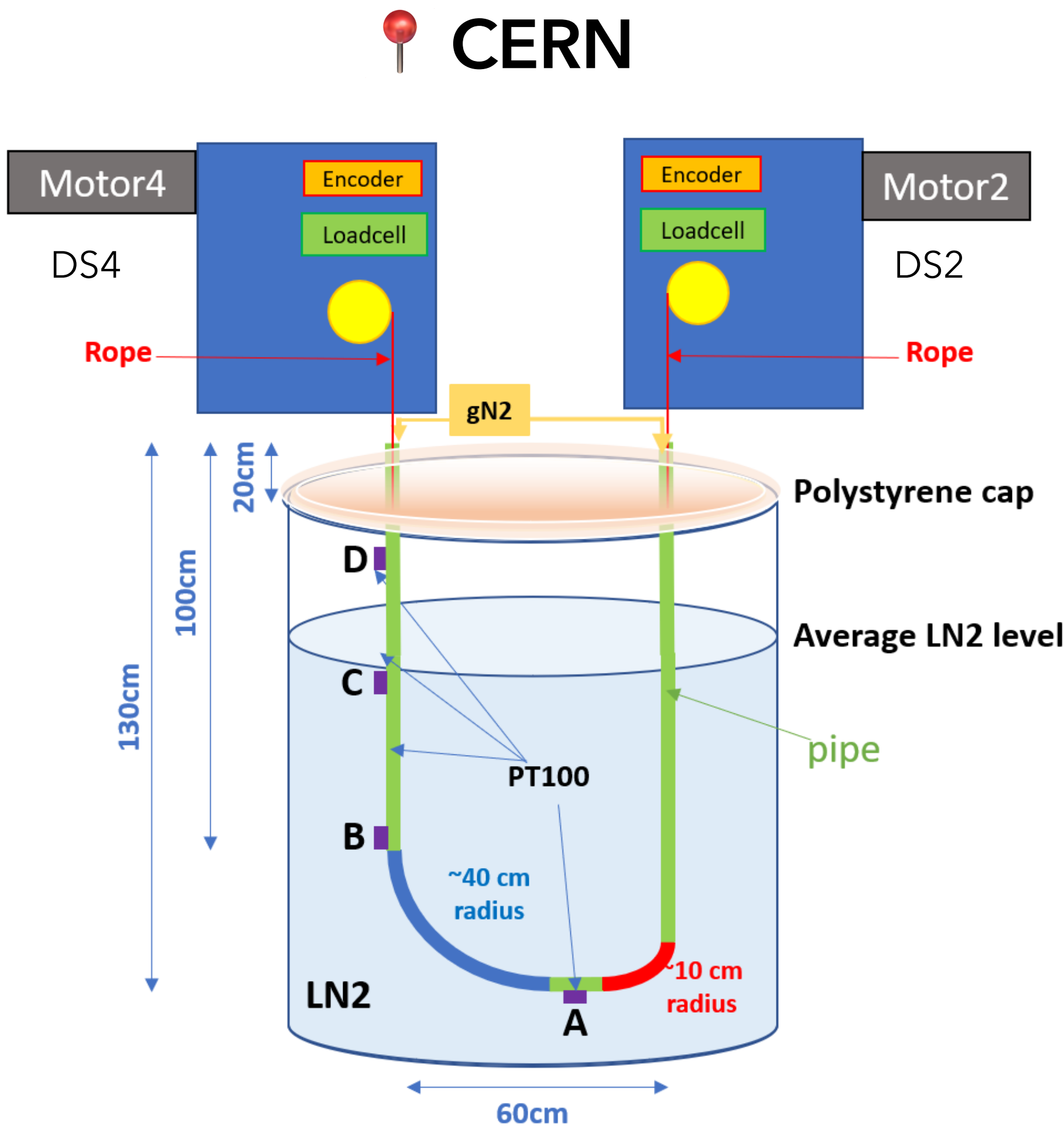
Cryogenic mock-ups

Scale-1 mock-up



DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

Feasibility tests at CPPM and CERN



Measure the warm to cold tension ratio

Test the robustness of the motorised systems

Test extreme cryogenic conditions

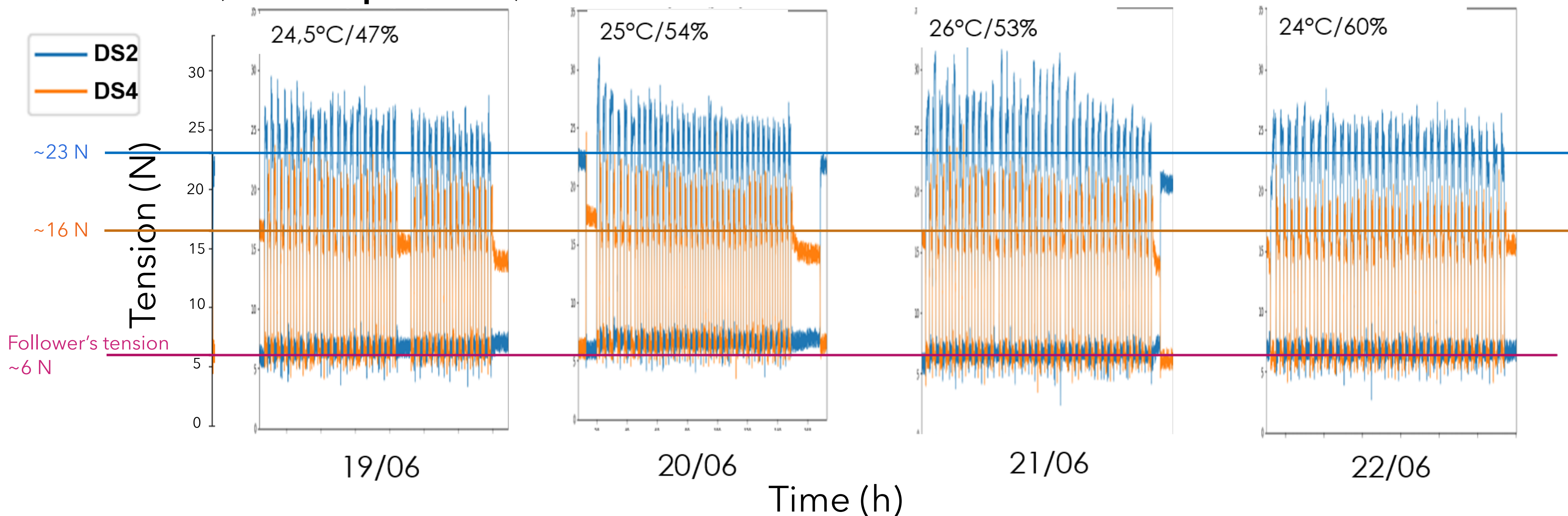
Test the stability of the system's behaviour

- + Apprehend the system and source management
- + Develop the monitoring

DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

Feasibility tests at CPPM and CERN

CERN (LN₂ temperature)



- Stability of the pattern of the tension to apply on the ropes to move a pseudo source
- Robustness of the system (travelled distance is equivalent of 4 calibration runs)

DarkSide-20k TPC calibration

Feasibility tests at CPPM and CERN

| | DS-20k | CPPM _{cryo} | CERN _{cryo} | CPPM _{Scale1} | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| | General | | | | |
| Goals | NA | Cold behav. | Robust at cold | bends scale 1:1 | |
| | Conditions | | | | |
| Temperature (K) | 88 | 77 | 77 | 88 | 290 |
| Usage time / run (days) | 30 | 0.3 | 18 | 14 | 0.3 |
| | Requirements / Performance | | | | |
| Speed of the source (cm/s) | > 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | |
| Position accuracy (cm) | ±1 | ±1 | 1 | ±1 | |
| Tension (N) | < 150 | 25-40 | 15-30 | 60-90 | |
| Ice formation (block) | No | No | Yes but sublimated | No | NA NA |
| Total distance for all sources (m) | 160 (/yr) | > 100 | 800 | 100 | > 100 |
| Total nb of back&forth / tube | 4 (/yr) | 44 | 280 | 35 | >6 |

Take home messages

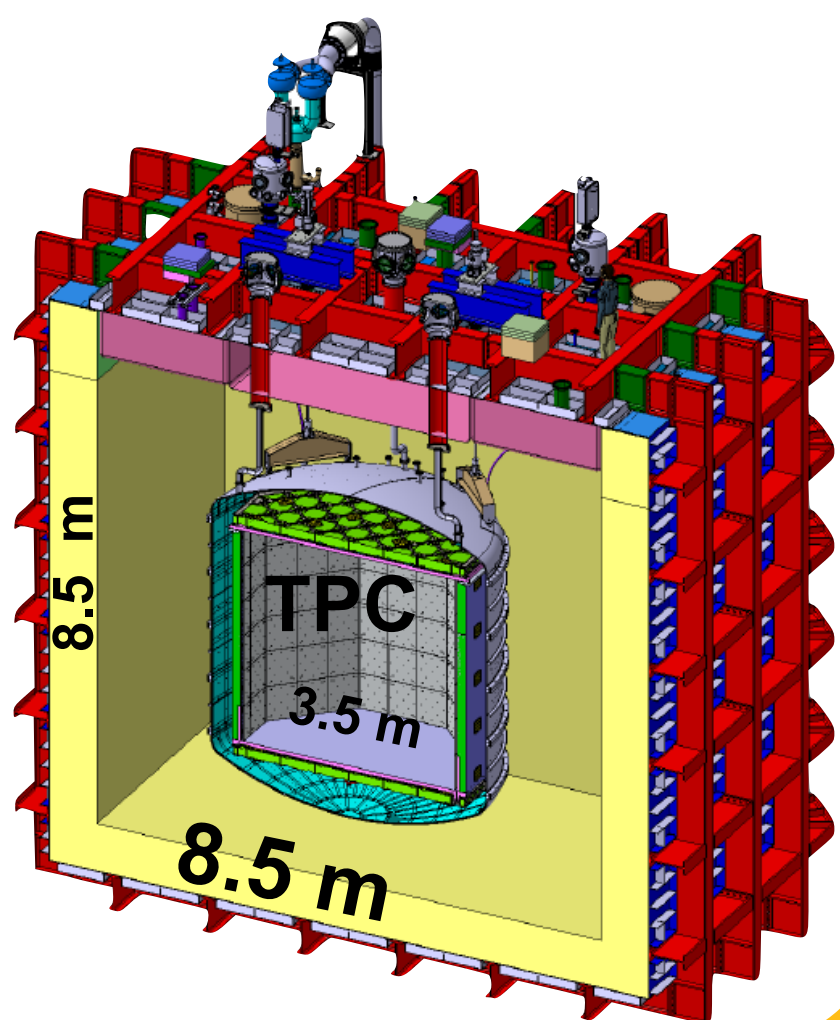
- **First simulations** of the external calibration system
- Simulations **drove/helped some design choices** for the calibration system
 - Activities of the sources
 - Choice of the sources
 - Optical boundary for the tubes
 - Diameter of the tube
- Simulation studies presented at the **57th Rencontres de Moriond - EW** (2023)
- Simulation and hardware works prove the feasibility of the calibration
- The calibration studies permitted the system to **pass the Final Design Review** and to be validated by an independent external INFN committee
- Now entering **Production Readiness Review** stage

How to search for WIMPs ?

Create scalable detectors

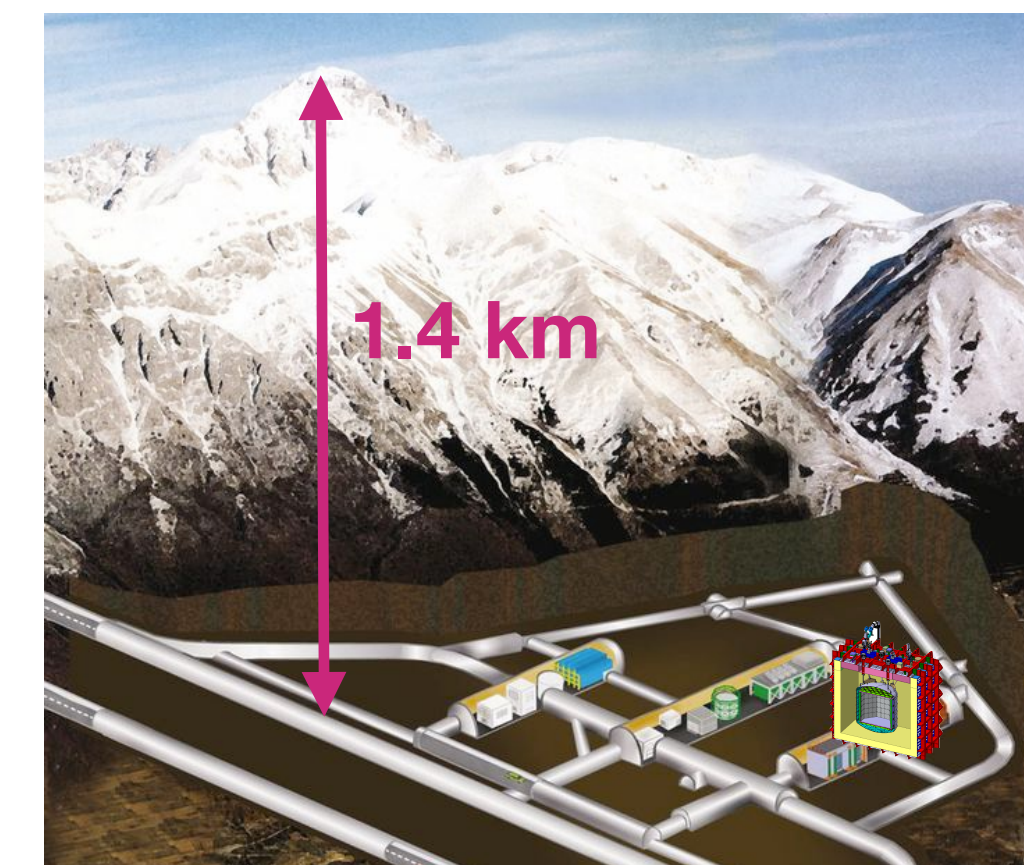
DarkSide-20k : 20t of argon at liquid phase in fiducial volume (700t in total)

Largest TPC ever built for DM search purposes



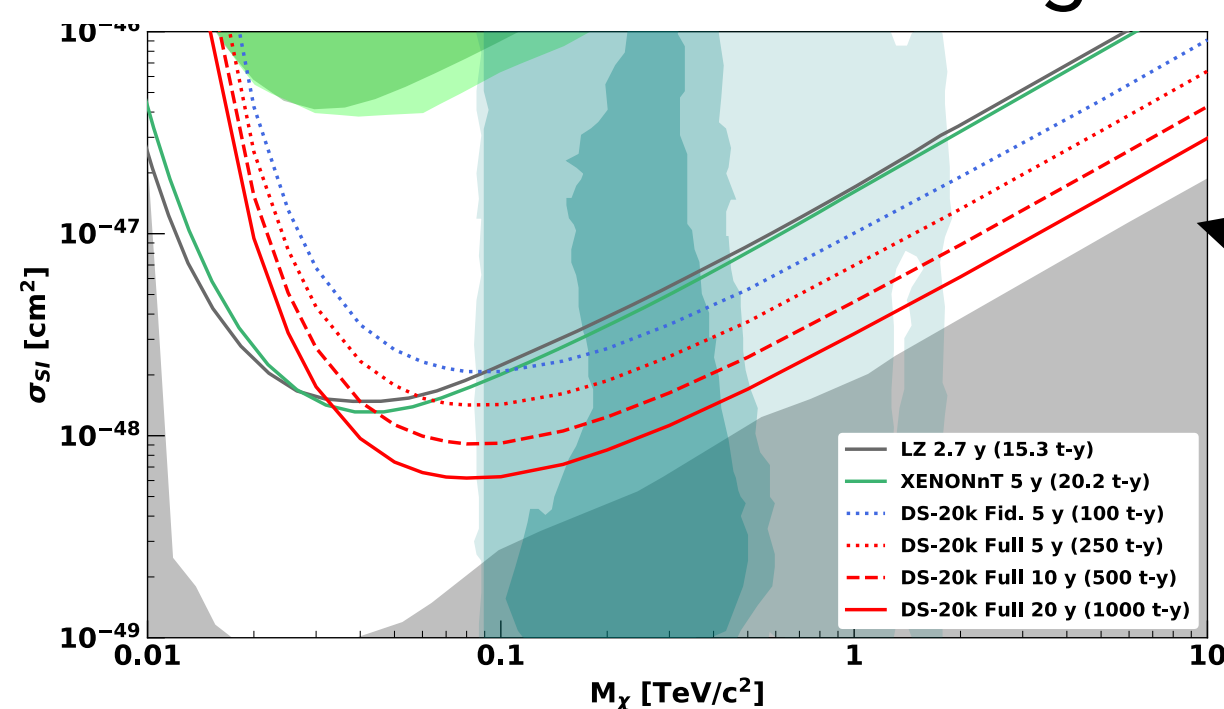
Shield the detector from background

DarkSide-20k : located at the Gran Sasso Laboratory (Italy) under 1.4km of rock to shield from cosmic rays



Compute the sensitivity of the experiment

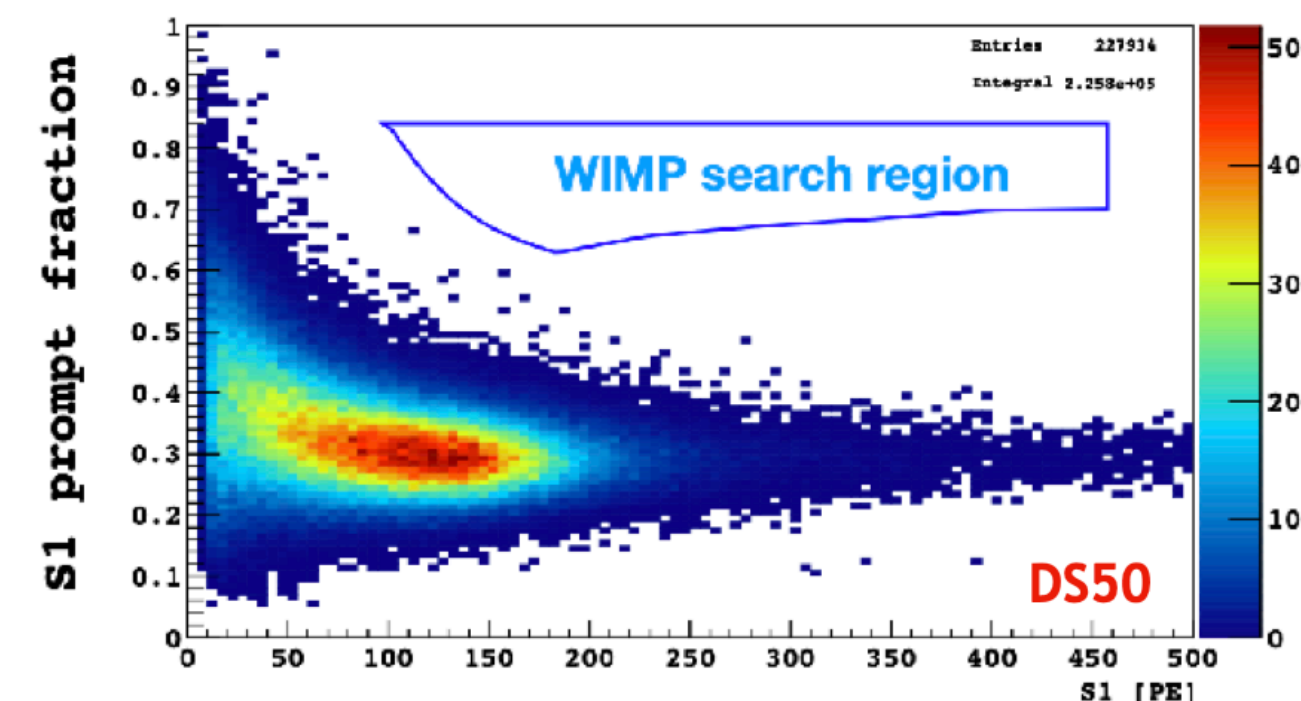
Depends on the DM halo modelling



Searching for WIMPs

Understand and discriminate backgrounds and signal

Argon: extremely powerful discrimination between backgrounds and signal

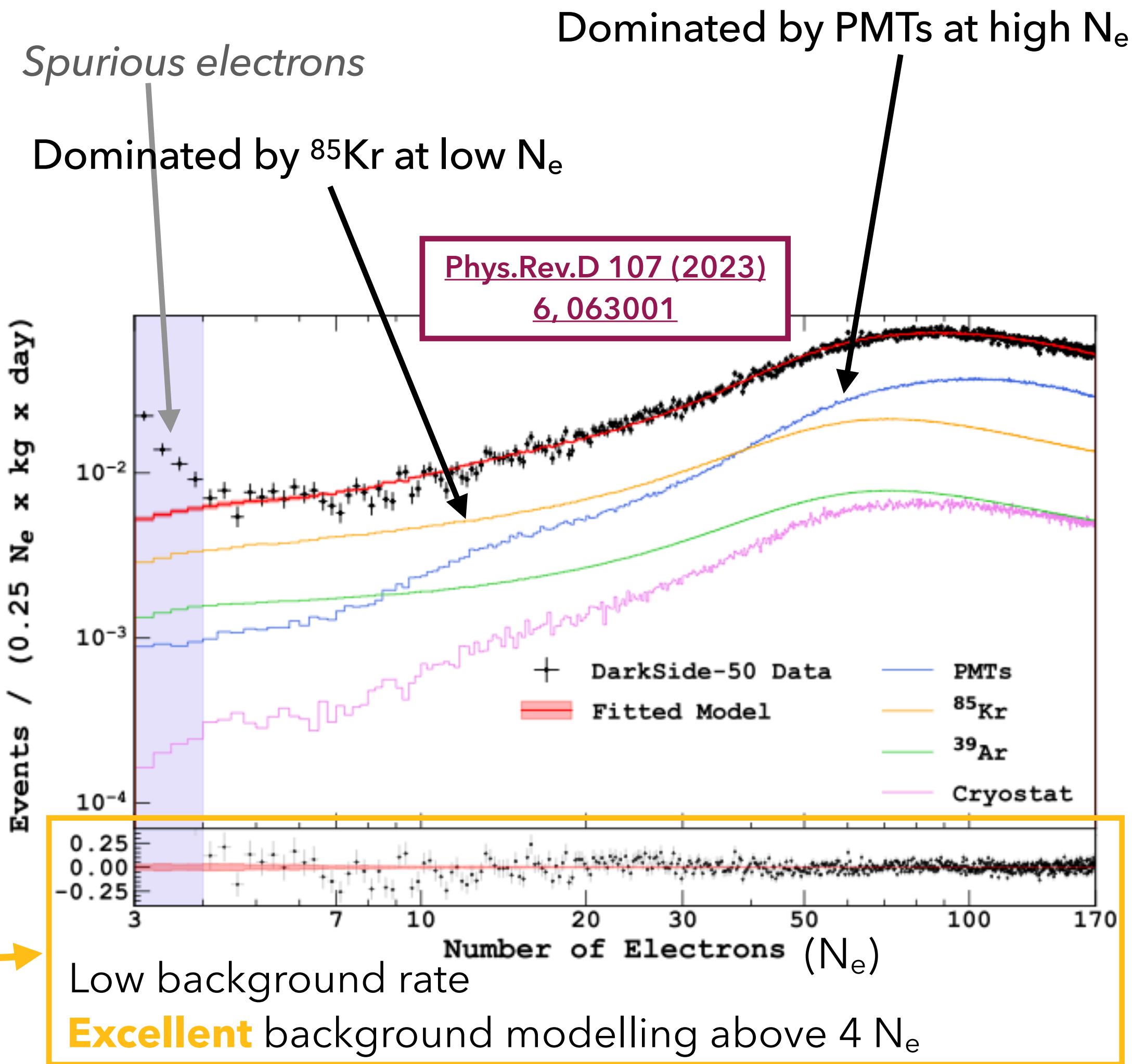
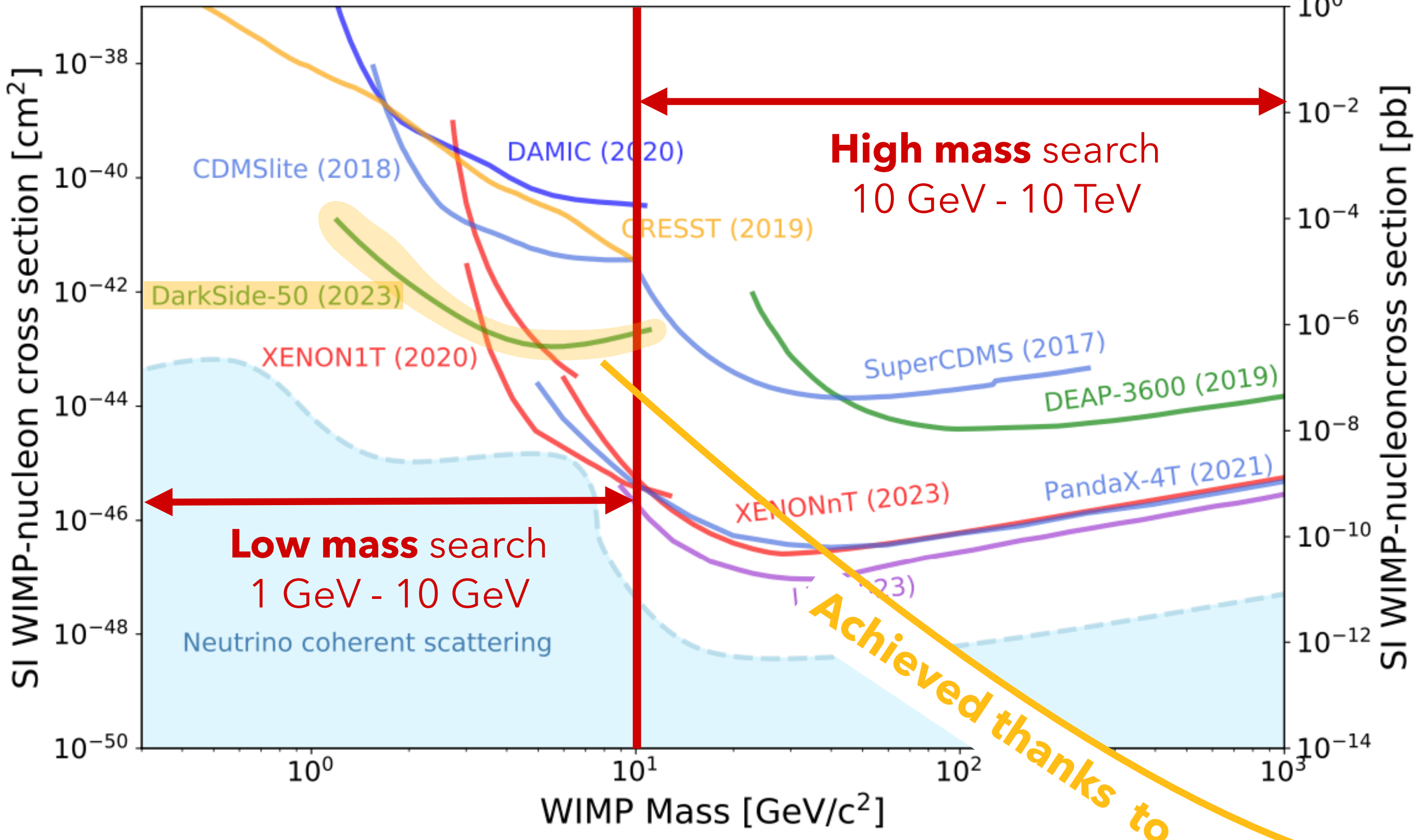


Background budget (after cuts): 0.1 event / 10y

DarkSide-50 legacy

Low mass WIMPs search

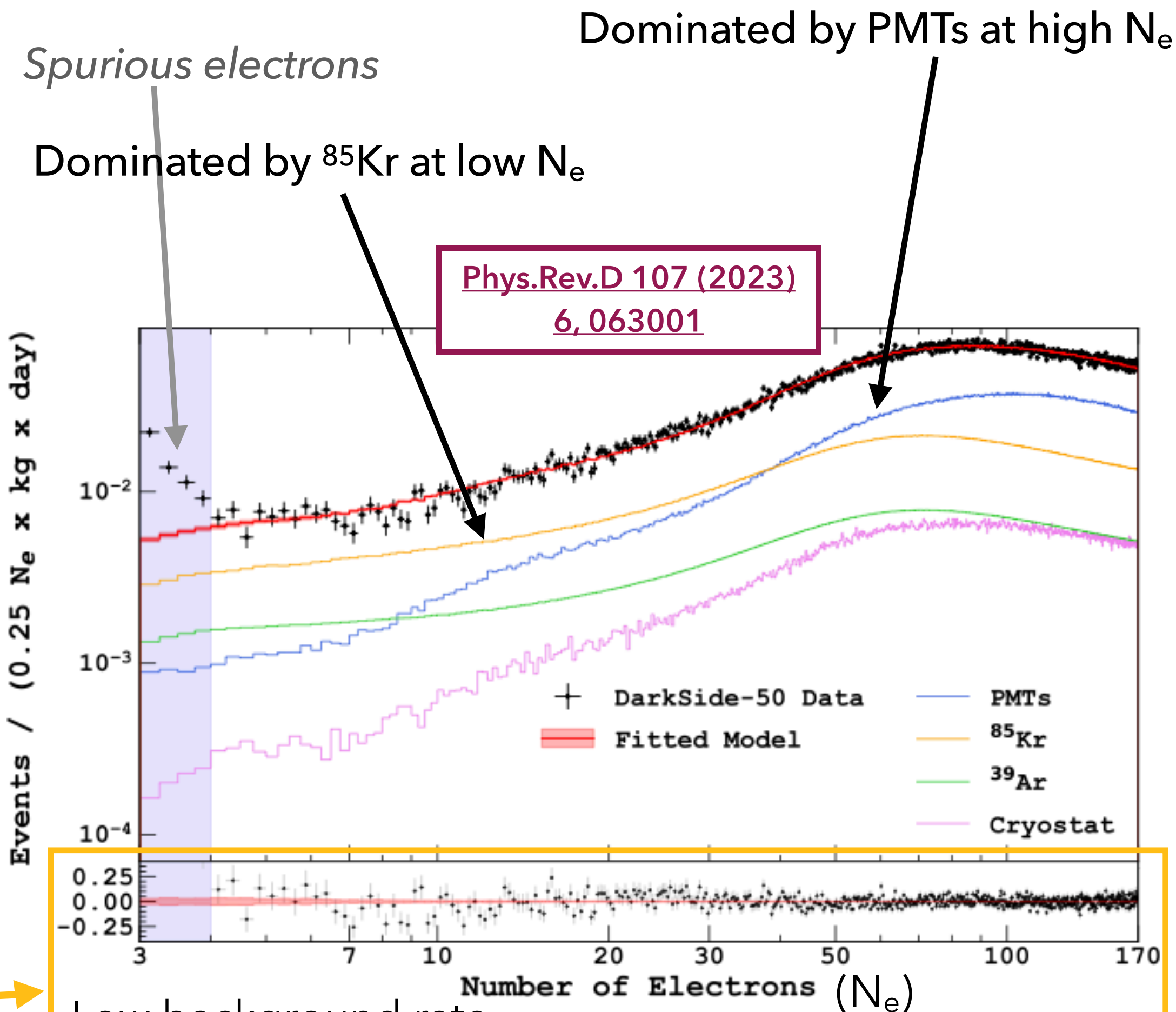
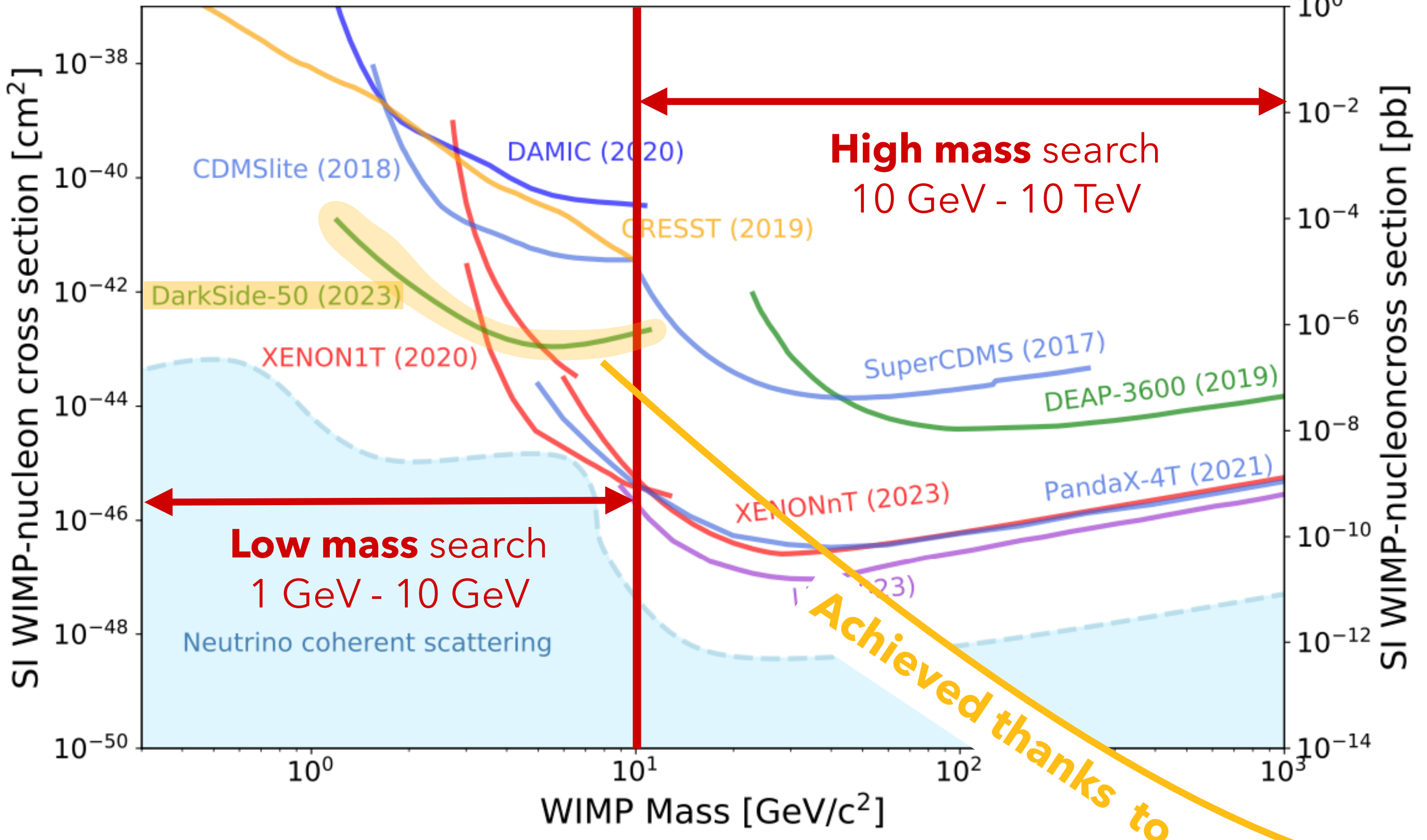
From PDG 2023



DarkSide-50 legacy

Low mass WIMPs search

From PDG 2023



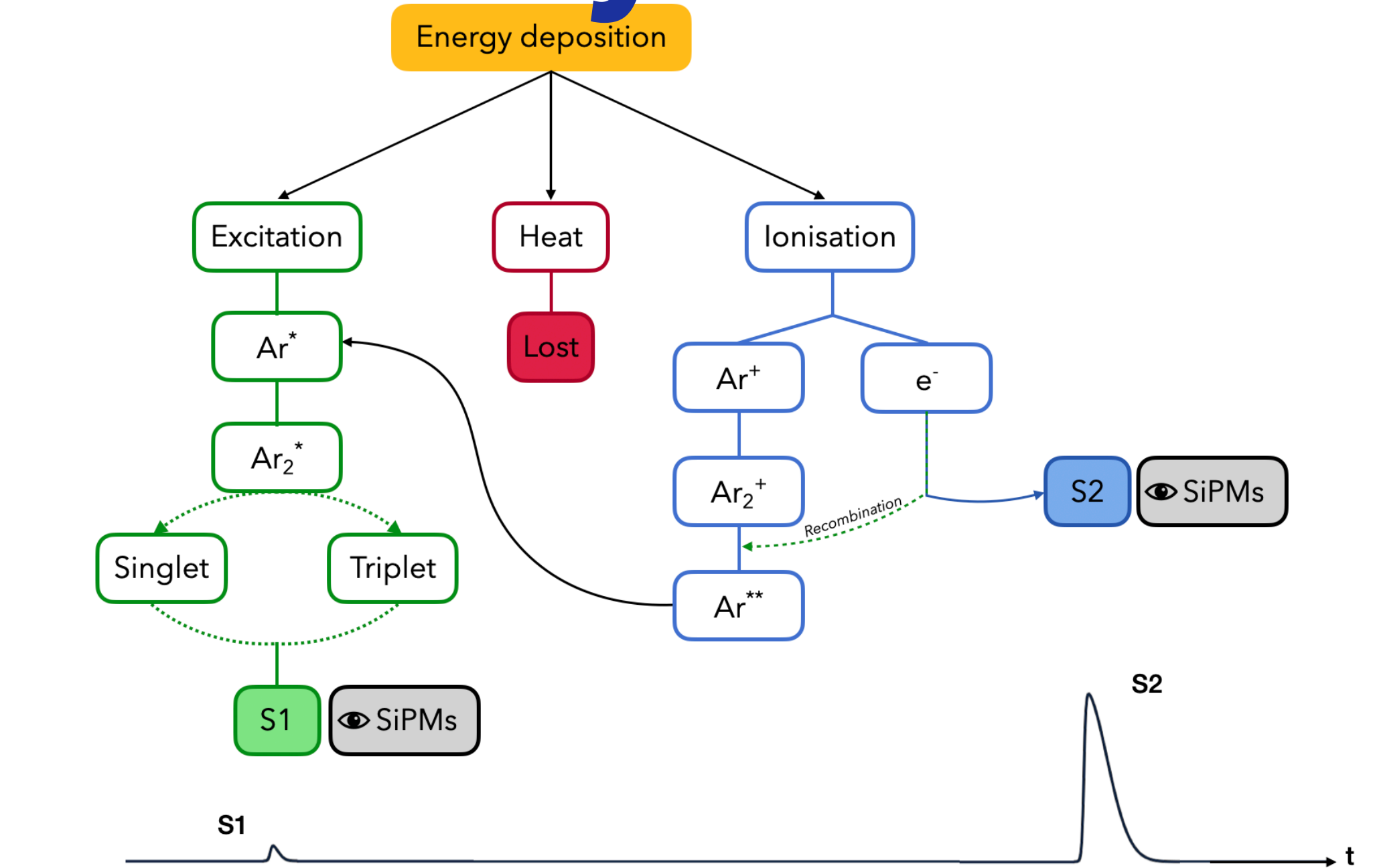
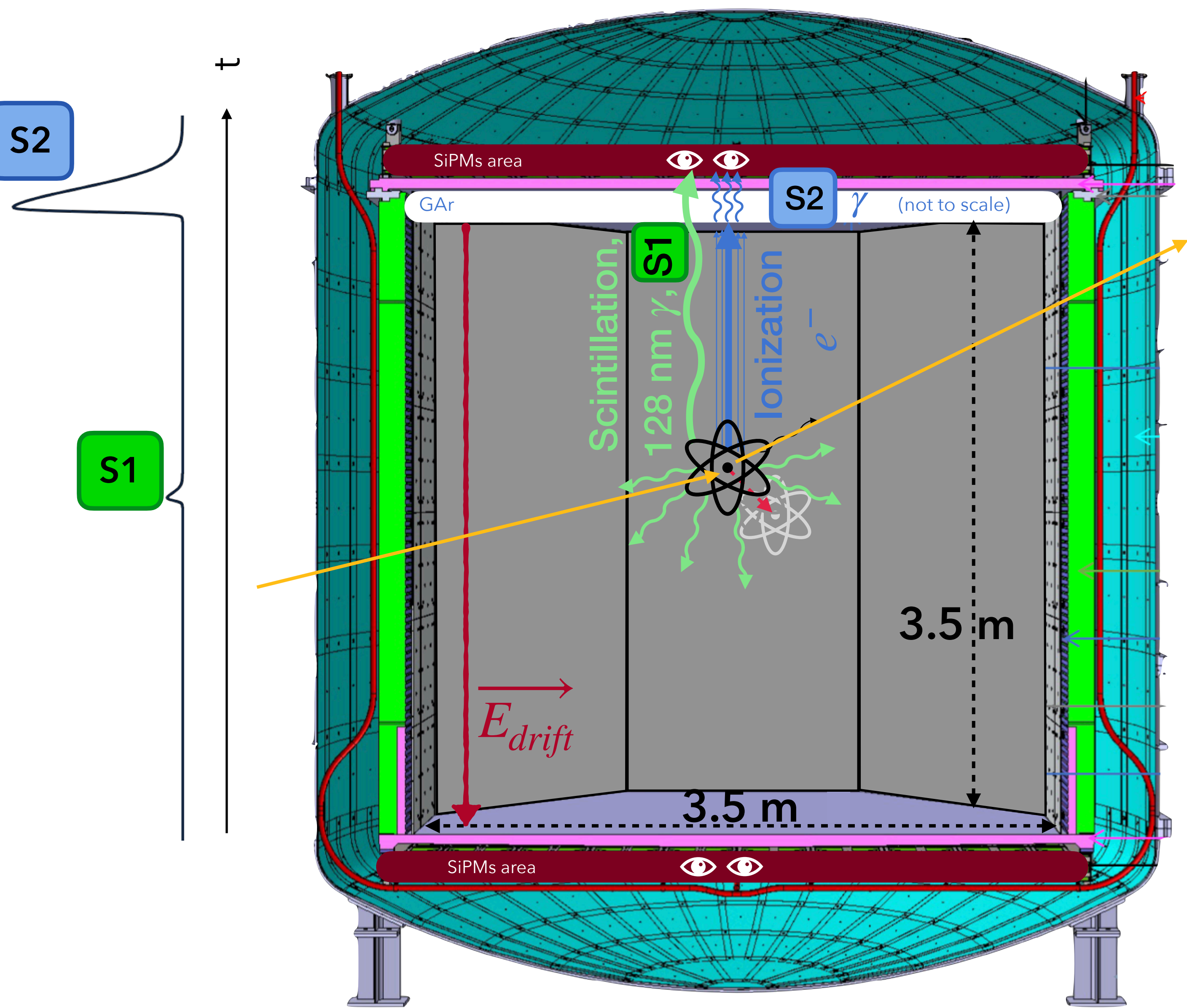
DarkSide-20k:

- 1,000 times larger detection volume than DarkSide-50
- UAr extraction with URANIA → expect reduced ⁸⁵Kr
- SiPMs: better radio-purity than PMTs

Scientific opportunity for DS-20k

Low background rate
Excellent background modelling above 4 N_e

DarkSide-20k low mass analysis

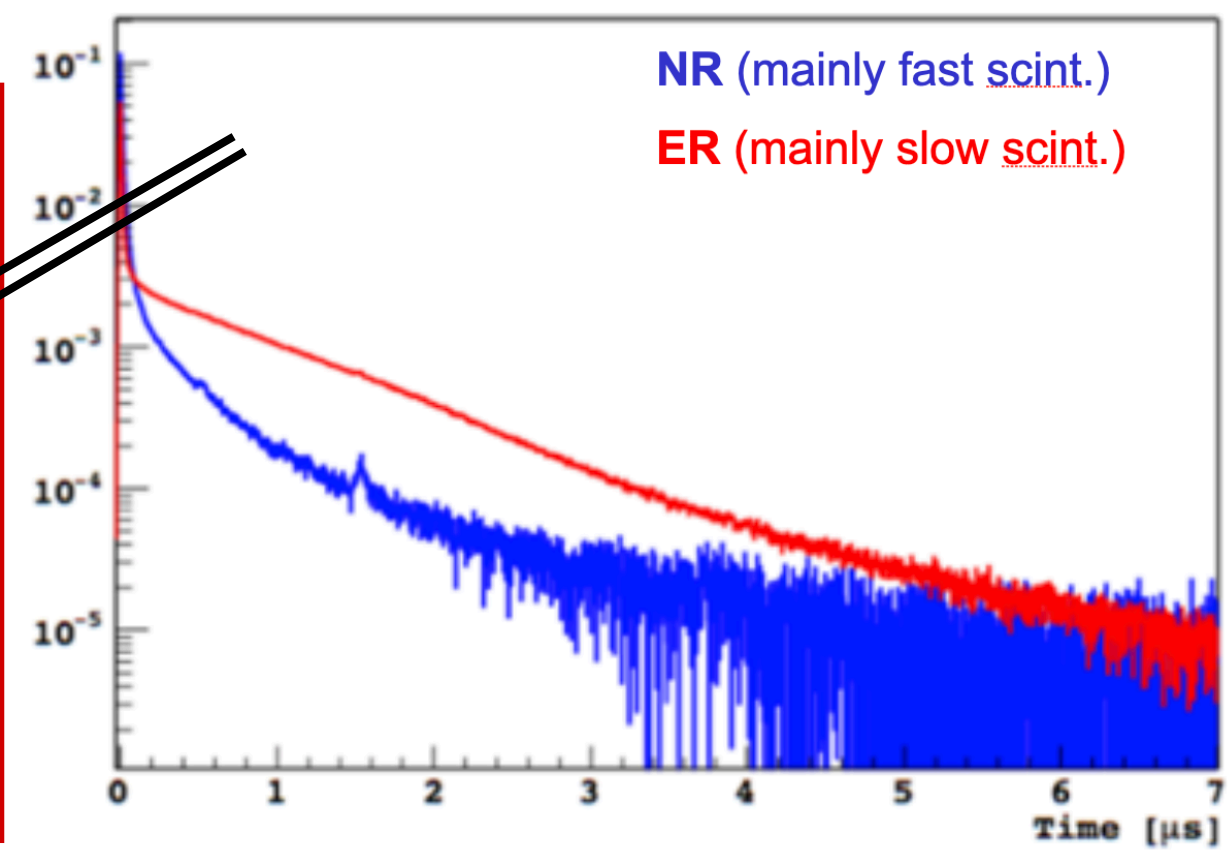


S1
scintillation signal
(prompt)

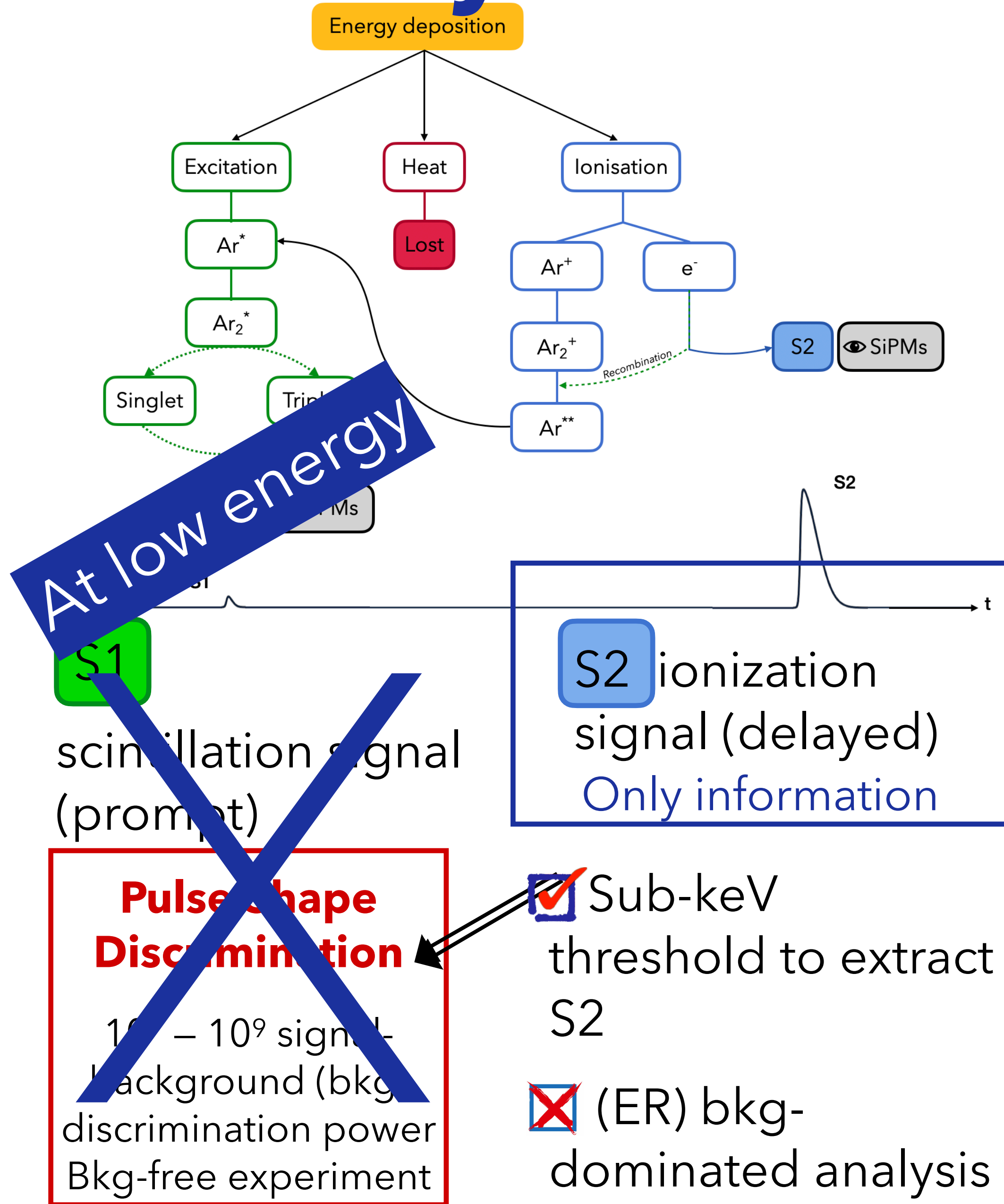
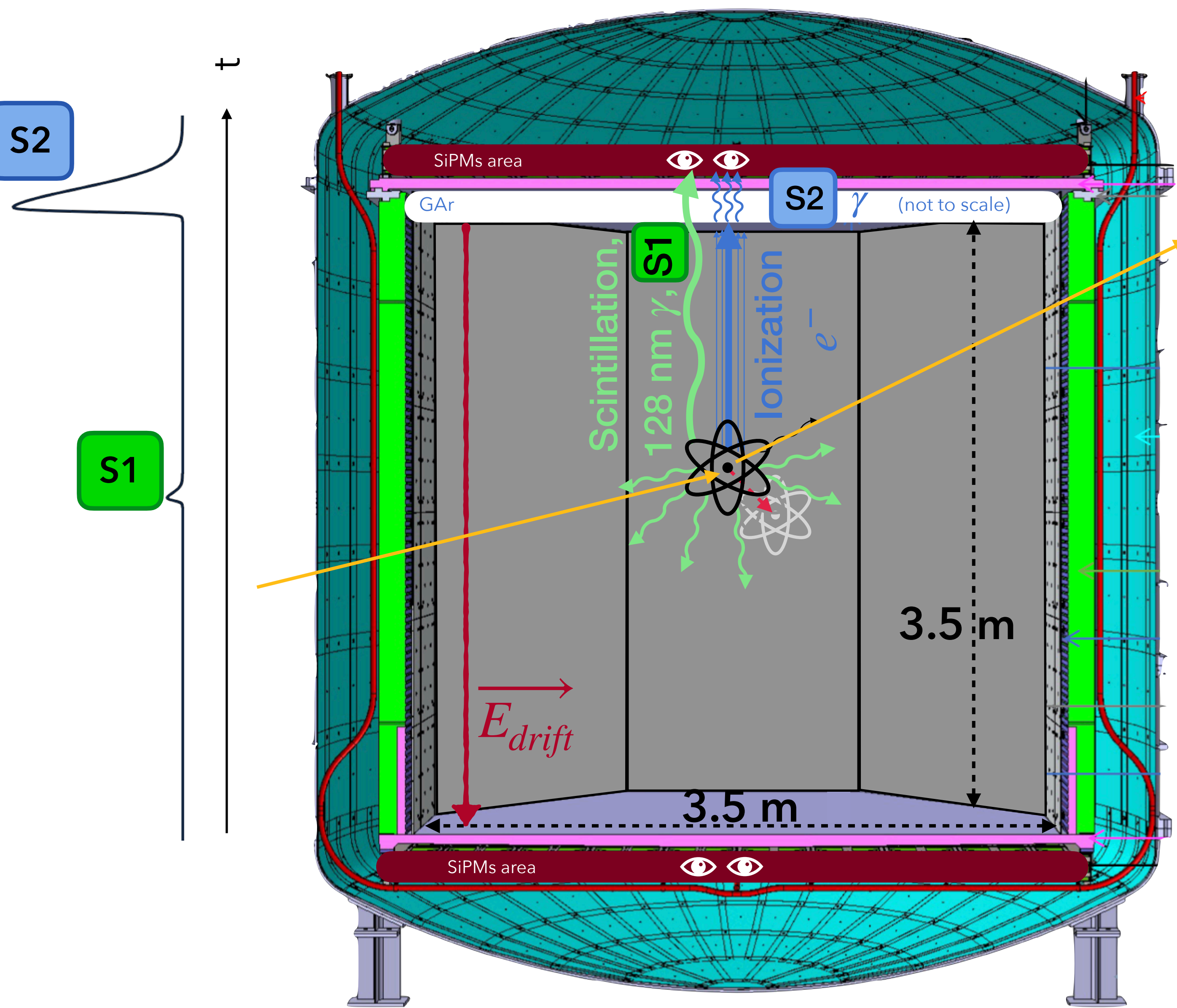
S2 ionization
signal (delayed)

Pulse Shape Discrimination

 $10^7 - 10^9$ signal-background (bkg) discrimination power
 Bkg-free experiment



DarkSide-20k low mass analysis



At low energy

Pulse shape Discrimination
 10¹⁰ - 10⁹ signal-background (bkg) discrimination power
 Bkg-free experiment

- Sub-keV threshold to extract S2
- (ER) bkg-dominated analysis

DarkSide-20k low mass analysis

Pile up

- Expect 80 Hz from β , X and γ backgrounds
- **Select isolated S2**, with other S2 occurring at times greater than one maximum drift time (3.7 ms)

51% of effective livetime

Fiducialisation

- **Radial**: 30 cm fiducialisation from the walls
 - Drift direction: no fiducialisation
- 69%** of signal acceptance

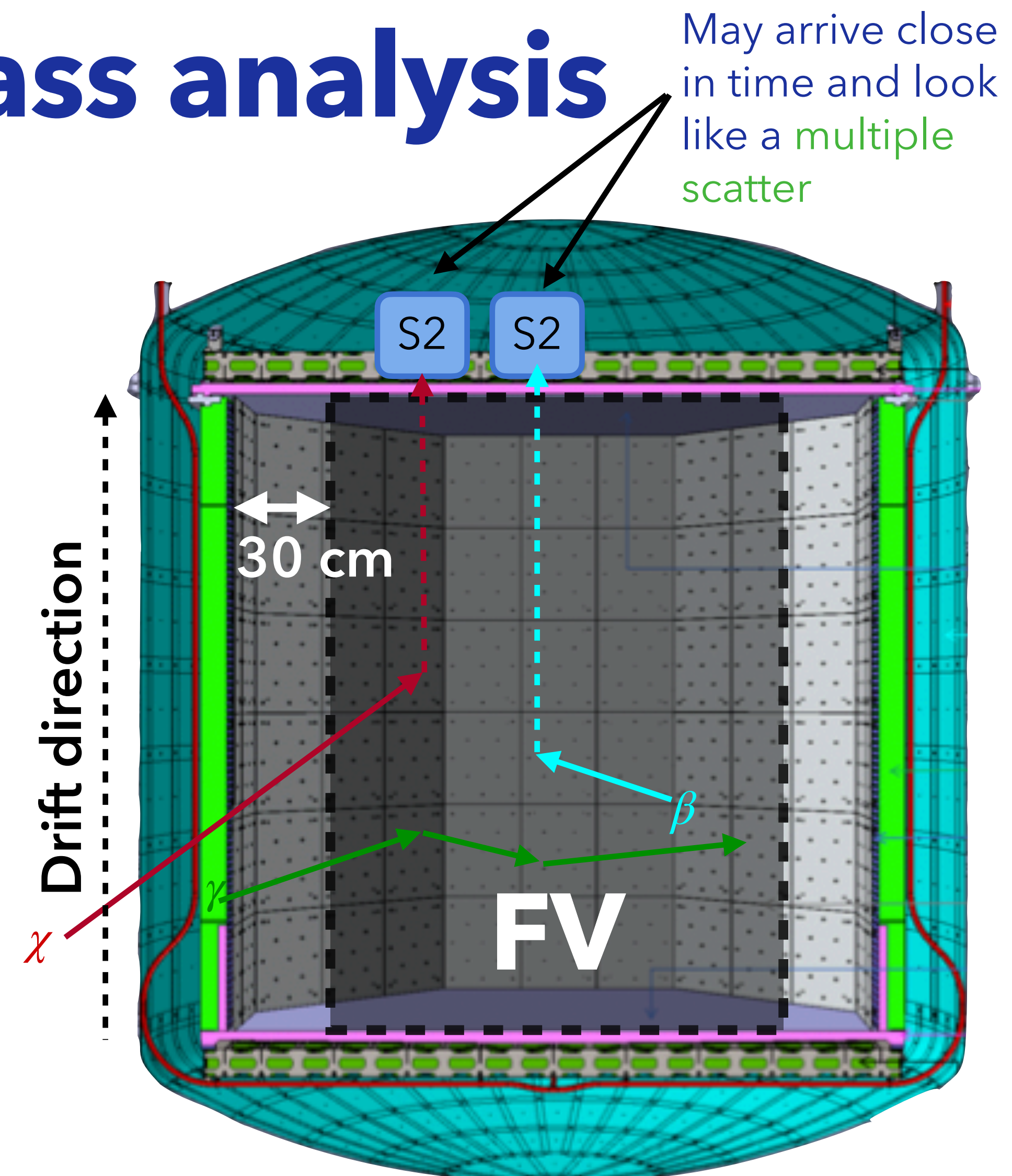
TPC:
49.7 t UAr

x 0.51

x 0.69

Exposure = 17.4 ton.year

for 1 year of data taking

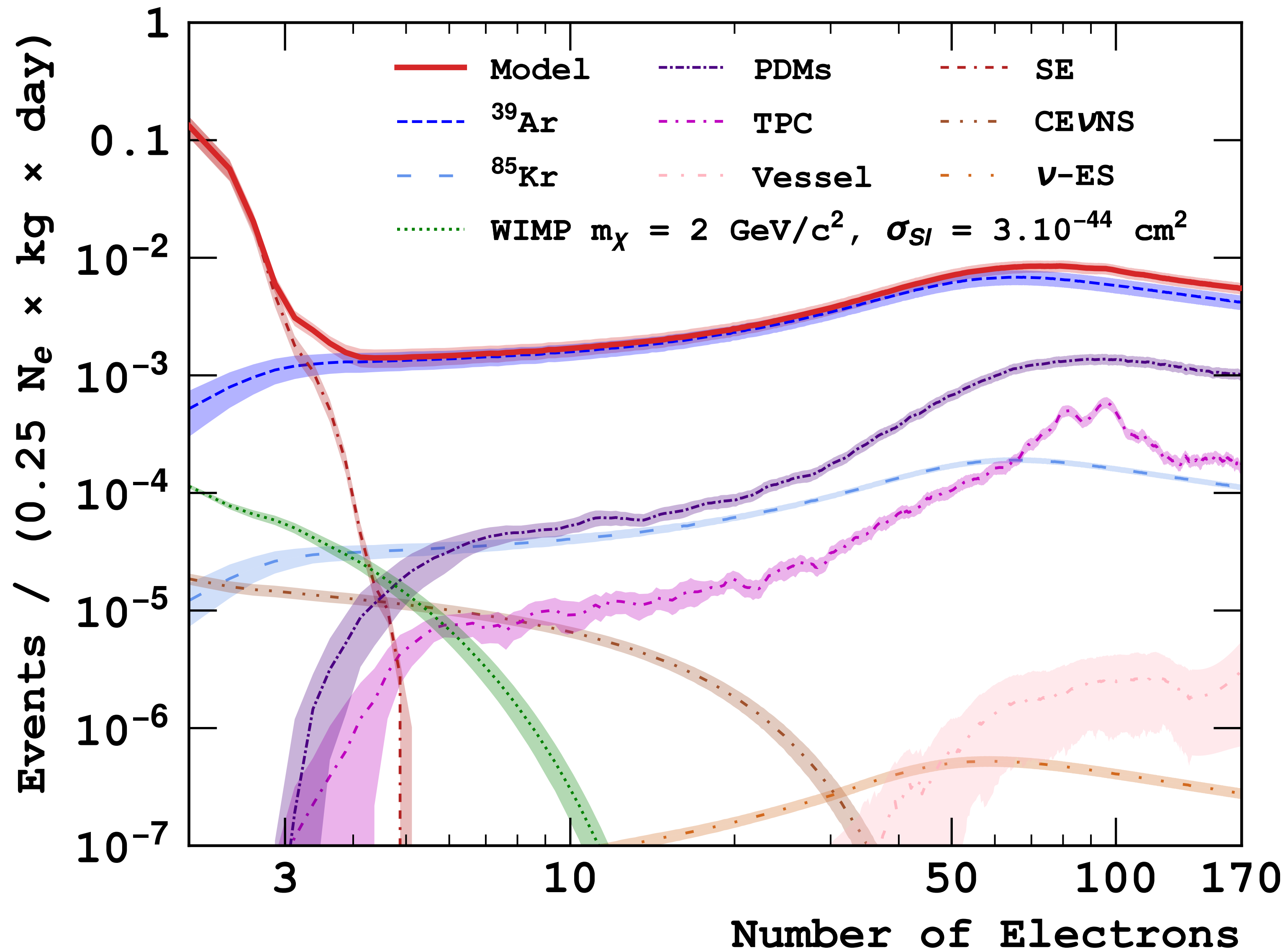


DS-20k inner detector

DarkSide-20k low mass background model

→ Eight background components

→ Five categories

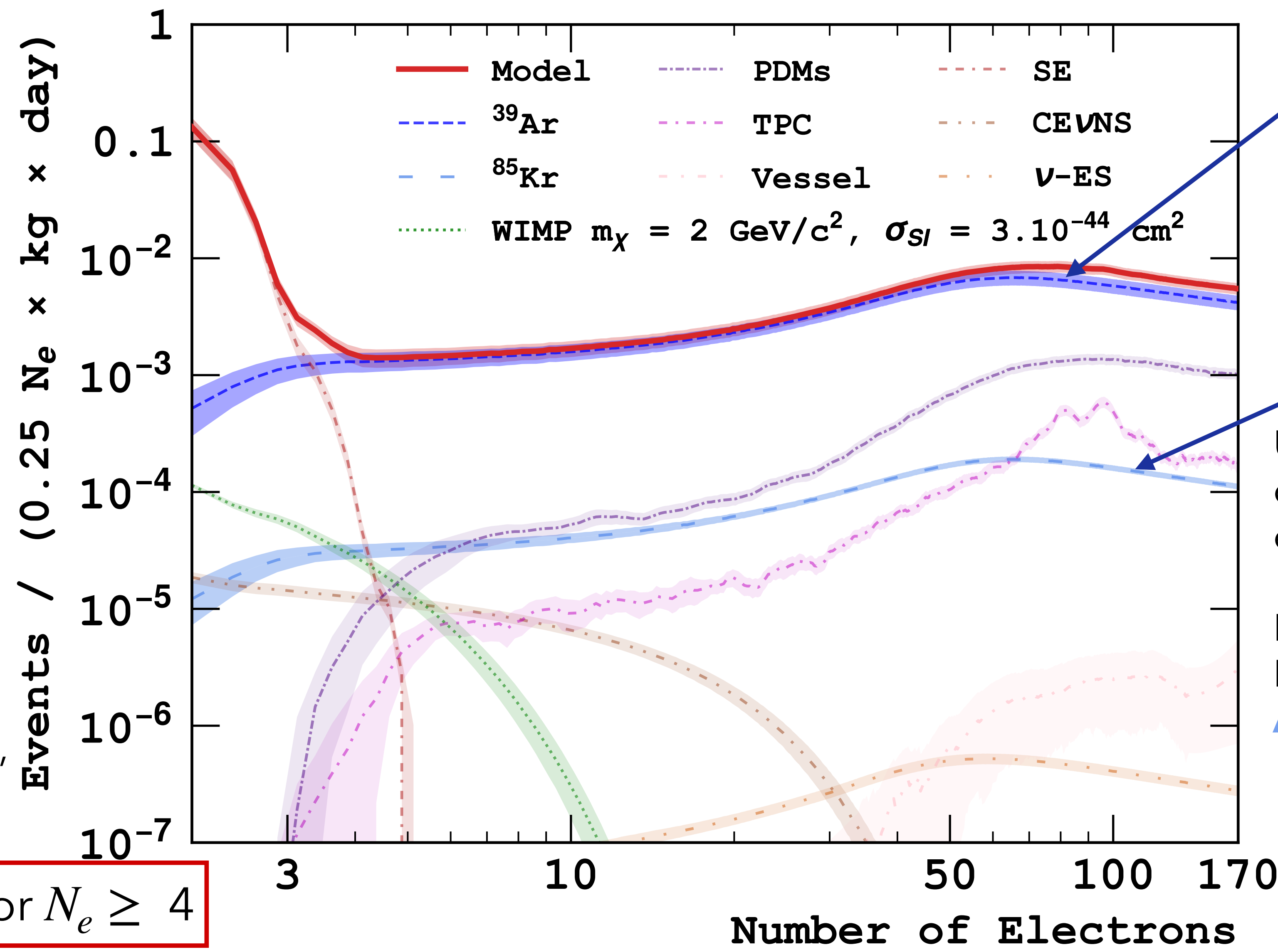


DarkSide-20k low mass background model

- Uniformly distributed in the fiducial volume
- Include recent calculations of β -decay energy spectra
- Include shape systematics (atomic exchanges, screening effect, Q-value)

[Phys.Rev.A 90 \(2014\) 012501](#)
[Phys.Rev.C 102 \(2020\) 065501](#)

LAr intrinsic backgrounds (β decays)



^{39}Ar

Same activity as DS-50 (same UAr mine)
 $A(^{39}\text{Ar}) = 0.73 \text{ mBq/kg}$

^{85}Kr

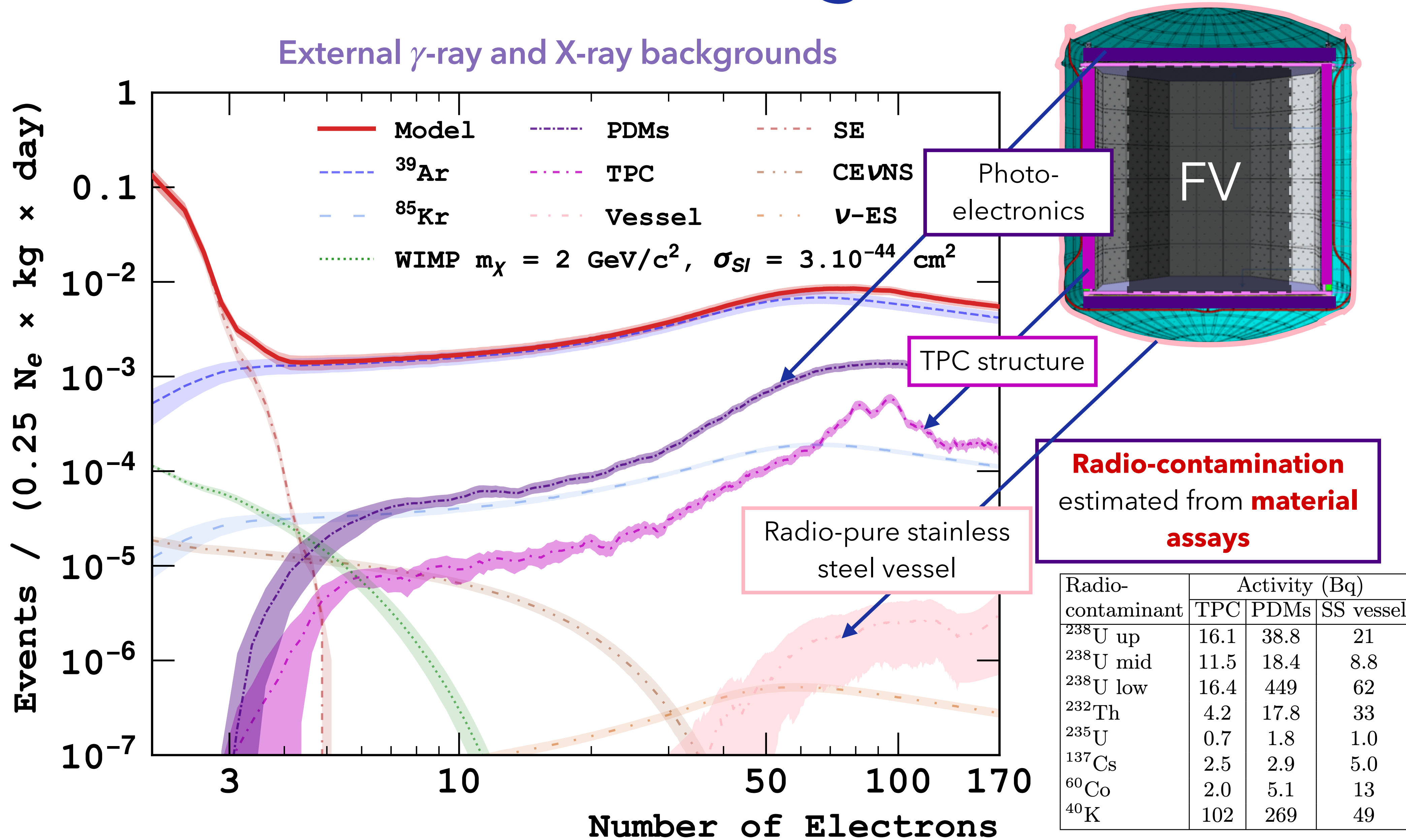
Urania (Colorado, USA): dedicated facility for extraction

Reduced ^{85}Kr activity wrt DS-50
 $A(^{85}\text{Kr}) = 1.9 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ mBq/kg}$

^{39}Ar dominant for $N_e \geq 4$

DarkSide-20k low mass background model

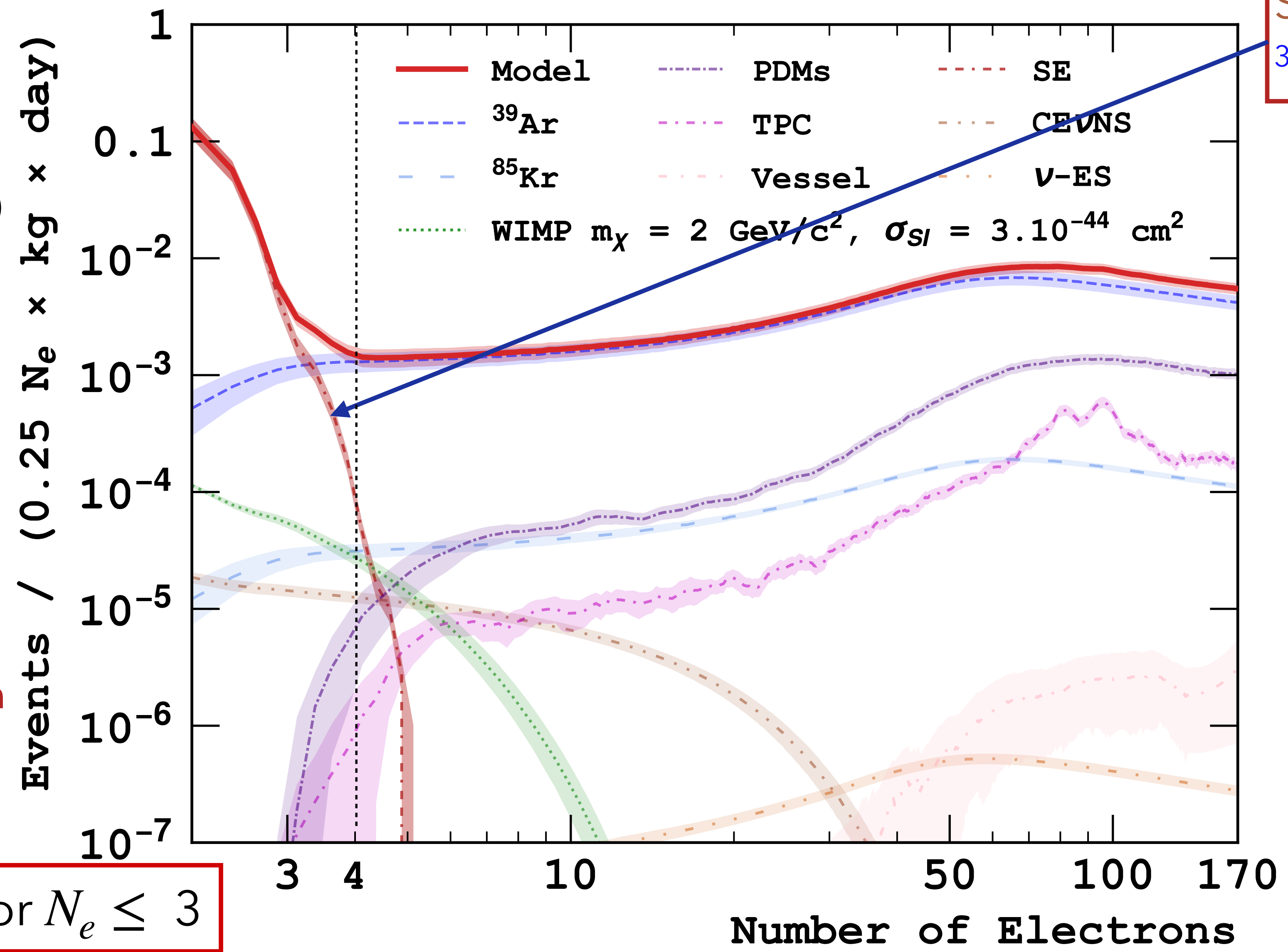
- Simulated with a GEANT-4 based simulation tool
- $\approx 2.5x$ reduced bkg contamination per surface area wrt DS-50



DarkSide-20k low mass background model

Spurious electron (SE) background

- Observed in DS-50 (and xenon-based dual phase TPCs)
- Origin might be trapped electrons by impurities and released later
- For DS20k: **Extrapolation from DS-50 data**



SE 18x lower than ^{39}Ar at $N_e = 4$

2 fit scenariii:

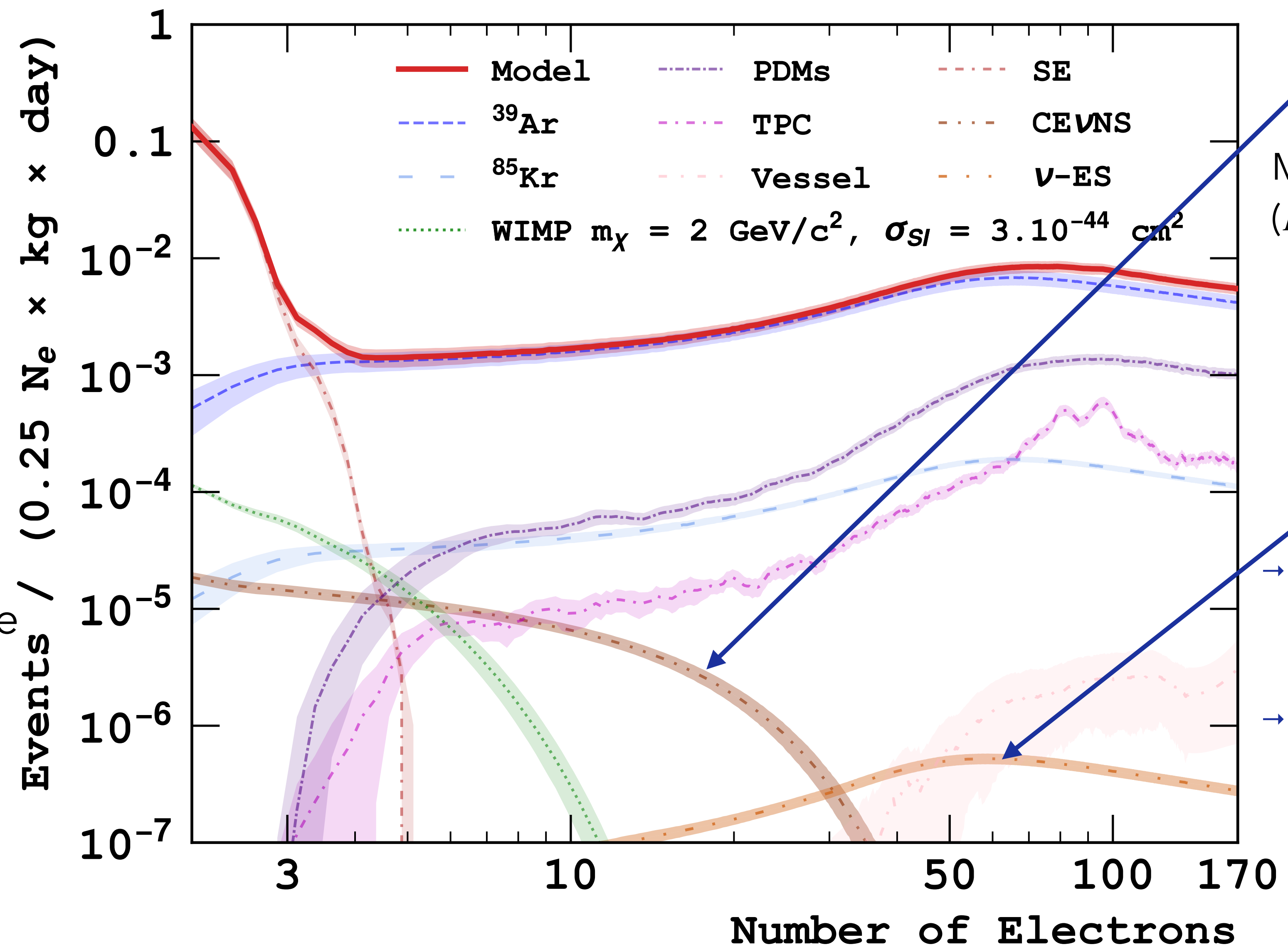
- **Conservative** (almost indep. of SE modelling): Fit from $N_e = 4$ (DS-50 strategy)
- **Ultimate**: Fit from $N_e = 2$ assuming good control of rate and spectral shape of SE in DS-20k

SE dominant for $N_e \leq 3$

DarkSide-20k low mass background model

- Mostly from solar neutrinos (${}^7\text{Be}$, ${}^{15}\text{O}$, pep, ${}^8\text{B}$, hep)
- Include radiative corrections in $\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$
[JHEP 05, 271](#)
- Include accurate parametrisation of the nucleus structure
[Phys.Rev.D 102 \(2020\) 015030](#)

Neutrino backgrounds



$\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$

Mainly from solar ${}^8\text{B}$ ν
($E_{dep} < 10 \text{ keV}_{nr}$)

ν -ES

→ Mainly from pp (+ ${}^7\text{Be}$) ν
($E_{dep} < 20 \text{ keV}_{er}$)

→ Dominates over $\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$ at
 $N_e \gtrsim 30$

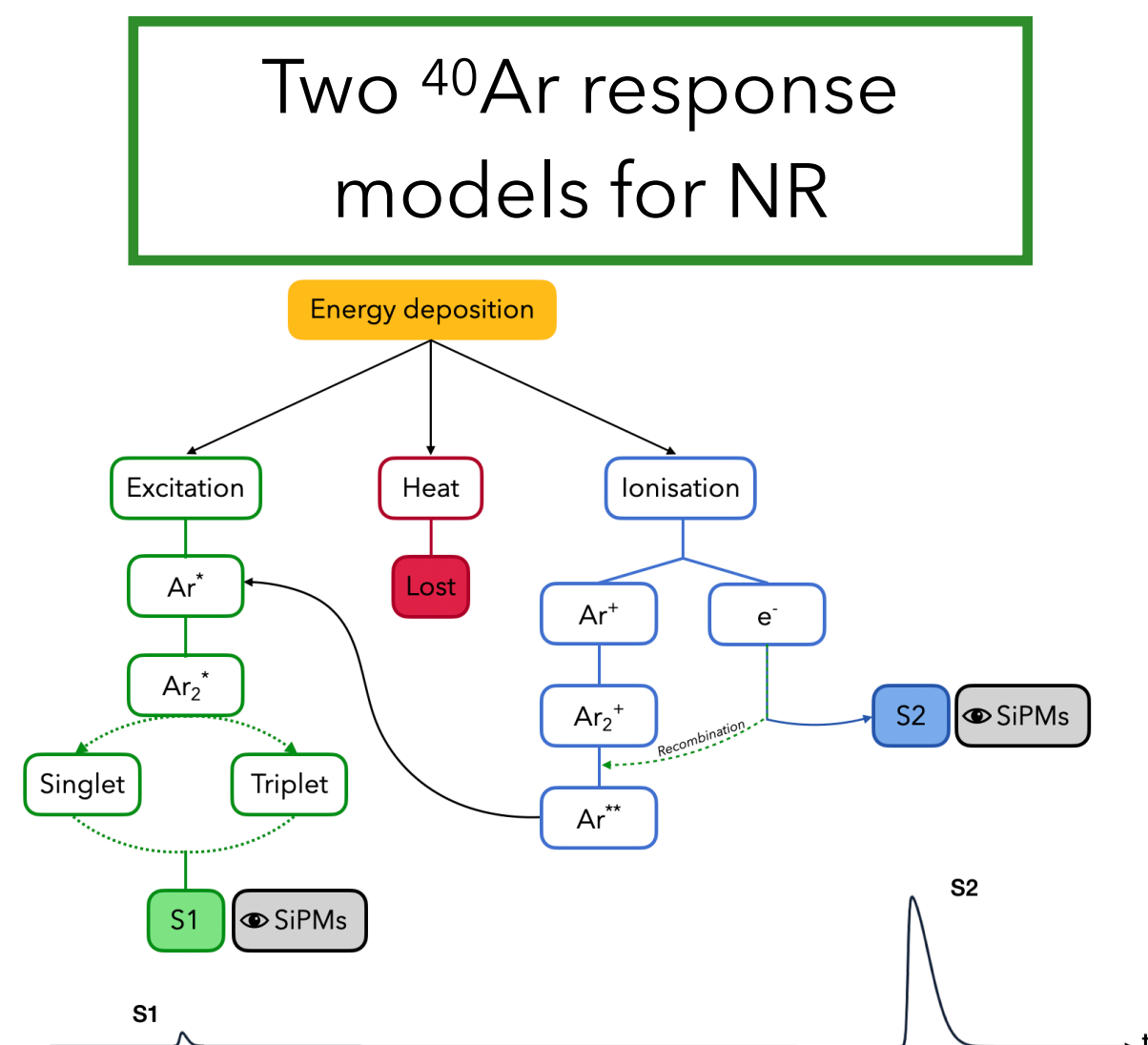
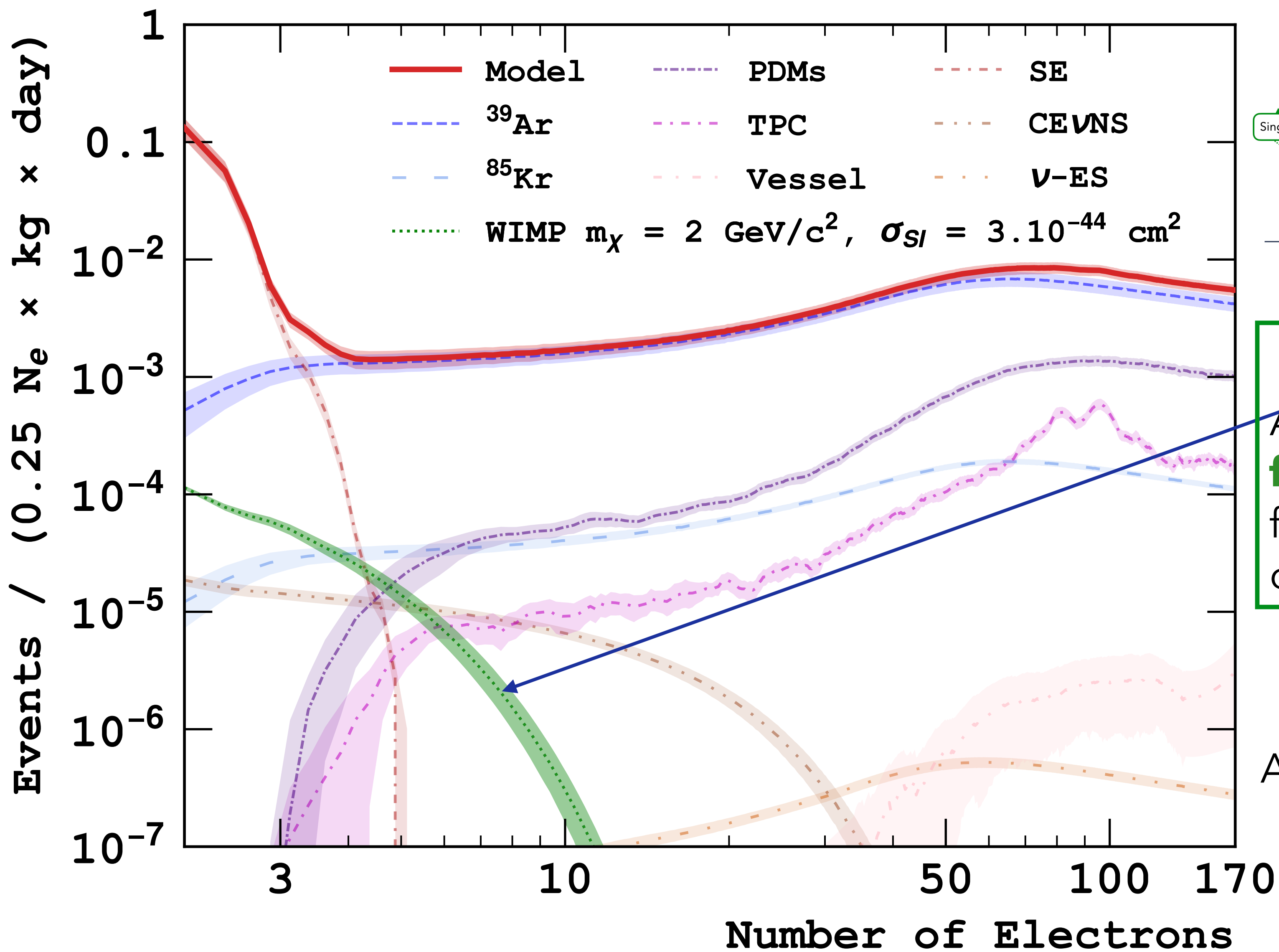
Signal model

WIMP (pure NR part)

- Assuming Standard Halo Model and recommended conventions

[Eur. Phys. J. C 81 \(2021\), p. 907](#)

- Localised at low N_e



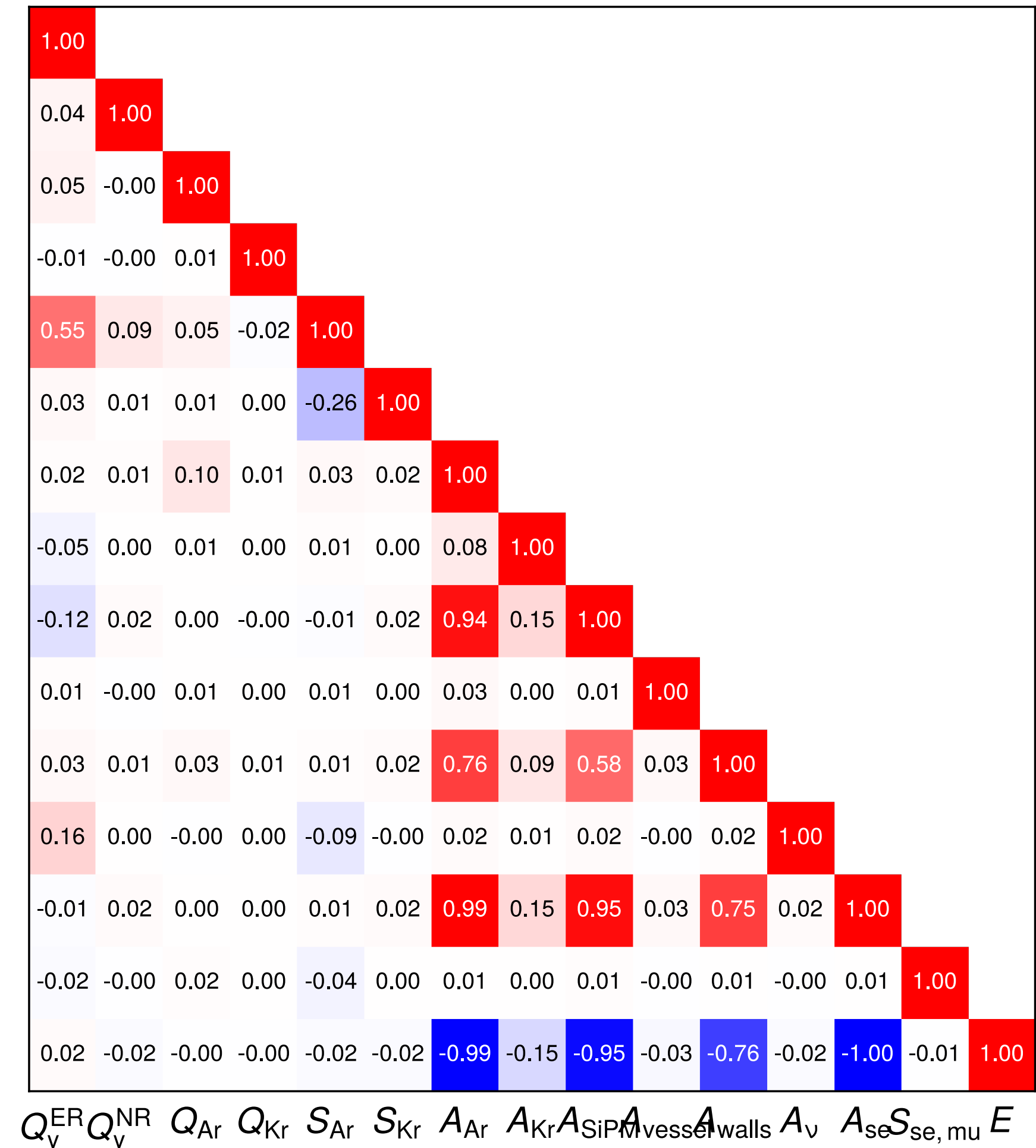
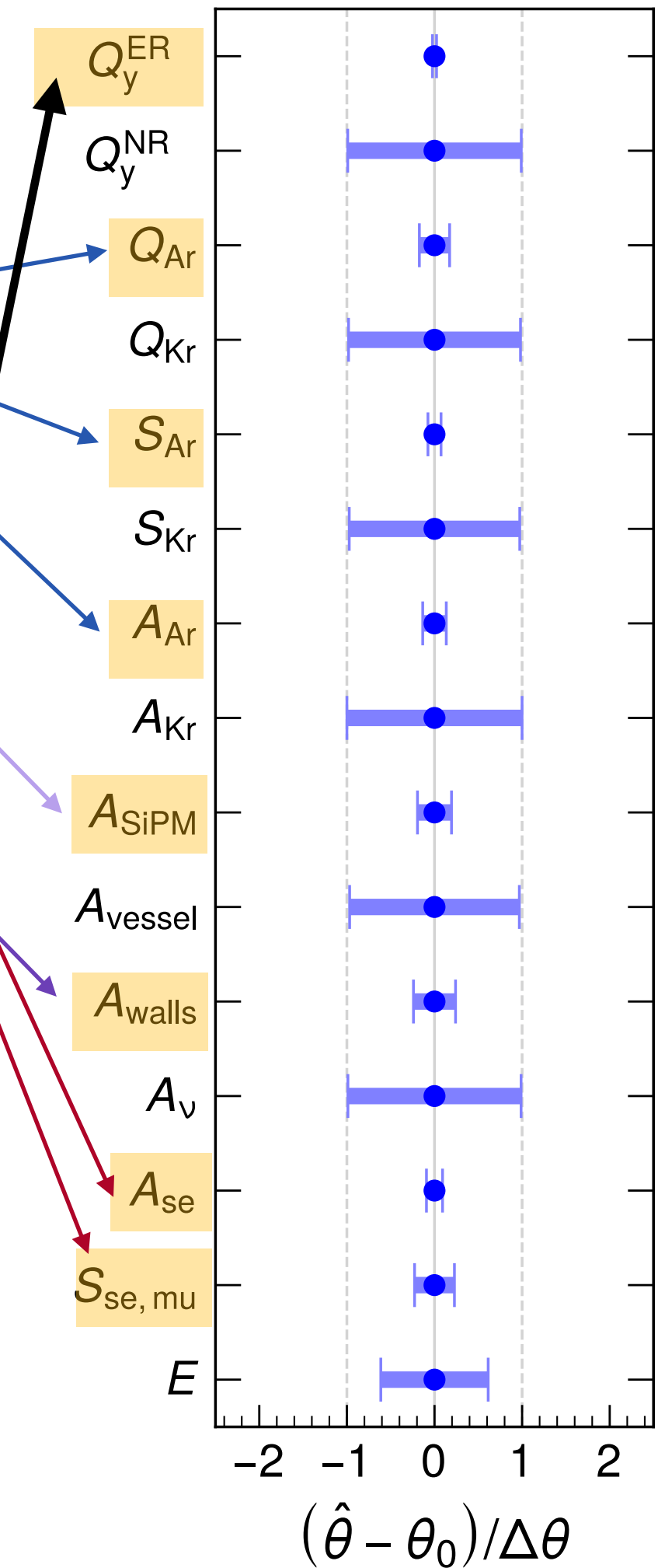
QF
Assuming **binomial fluctuations** in the fraction of quanta doing quenching

NQ
Assuming no fluctuations

Systematic uncertainties

Main bkg components and ER ionization yield → Dominant systematic uncertainties & constrained by the profile likelihood fit

| | Source uncertainty | Affected components |
|-----------|--|-------------------------------|
| Amplitude | 5% on the exposure | All |
| | 15% on ³⁹ Ar activity | ³⁹ Ar |
| | 15% on ⁸⁵ Kr activity | ⁸⁵ Kr |
| | 20% on SE normalization | SE |
| | 10% on activity from PDMs | PDMs |
| | 10% on activity from the vessel | Vessel |
| | 10% on activity from the TPC | TPC |
| | 10% on neutrinos normalization | Neutrinos |
| Shape | atomic exchange and screening | ³⁹ Ar |
| | atomic exchange and screening | ⁸⁵ Kr |
| | 1% on the ³⁹ Ar-decay Q-value | ³⁹ Ar |
| | 0.4% on the ⁸⁵ Kr-decay Q-value | ⁸⁵ Kr |
| | SE modelling | SE |
| | ER ionization response | All backgrounds but CEνNS, SE |
| | NR ionization response | WIMP, CEνNS |



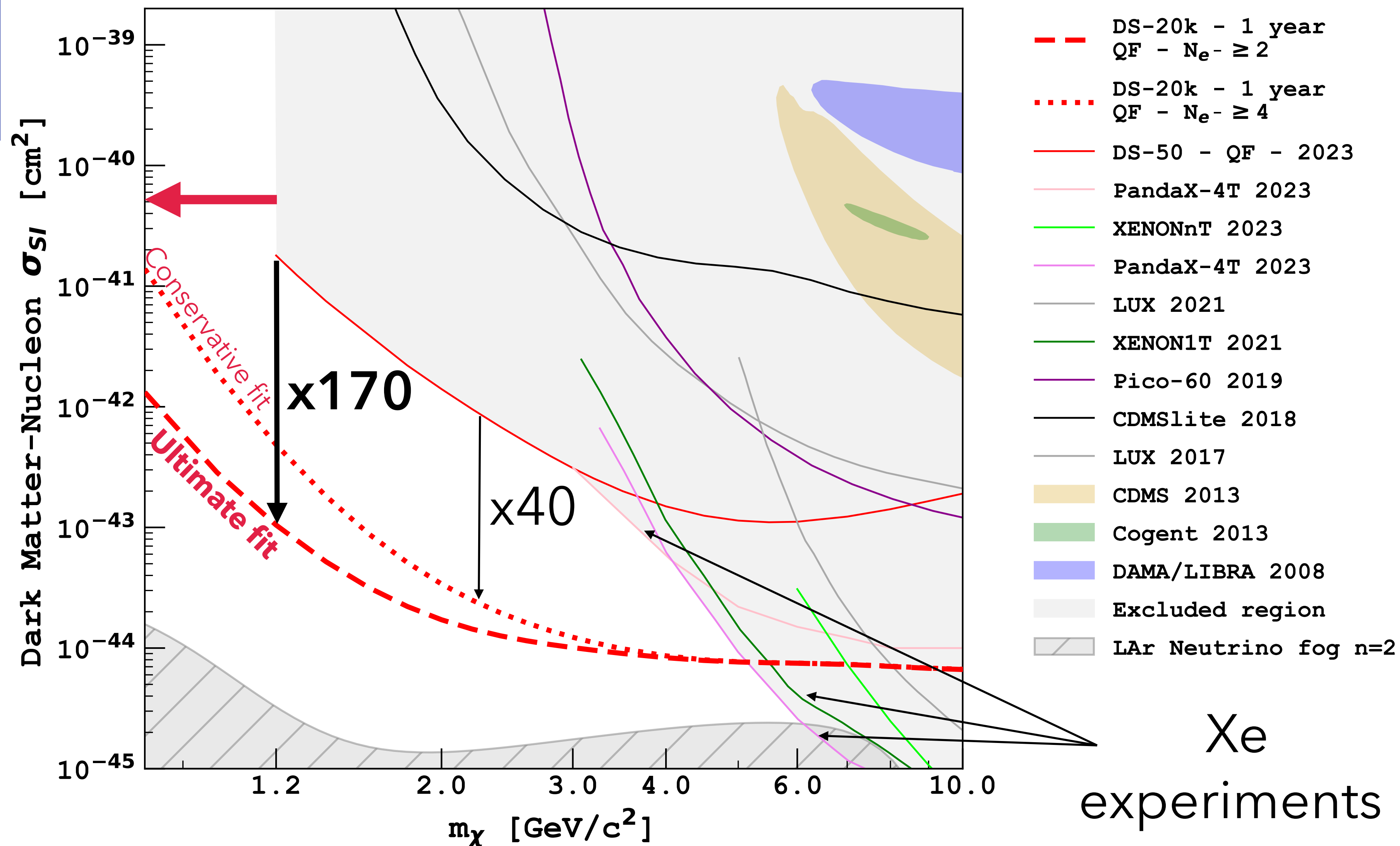
DarkSide-20k sensitivity to low mass WIMPs

90% C.L. limits

Assuming 1 year of data taking

- **More than one order of magnitude** of uncharted theory parameter space will be probed
- Stable against detector model assumptions

DarkSide-20k will lead the low mass WIMP search below $m_\chi \approx 5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ after only one year of data collection



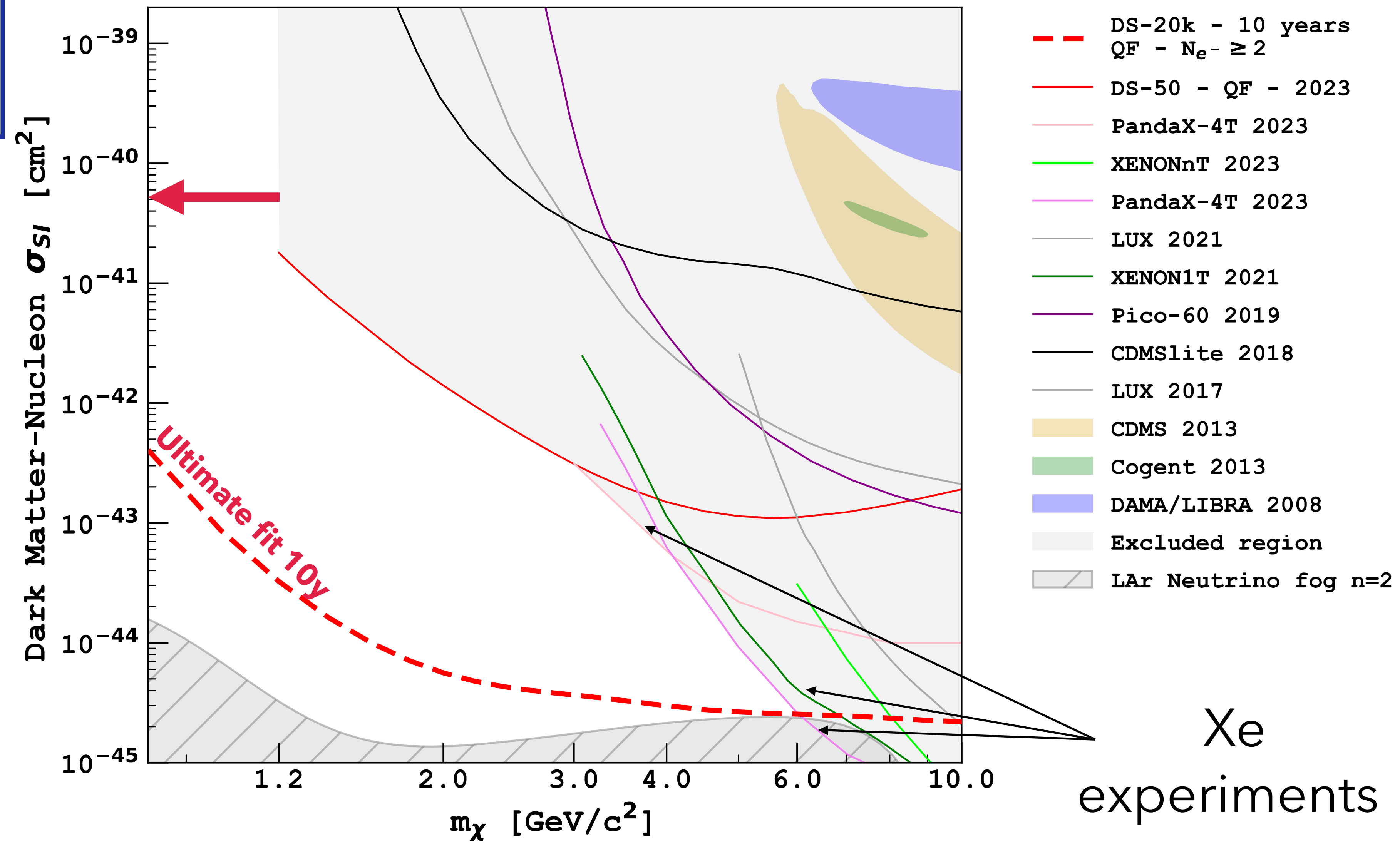
DarkSide-20k sensitivity to low mass WIMPs

90% C.L. limits

Assuming 10 years of data taking

→ Scales with $\sqrt{\text{exposure}}$

DarkSide-20k will reach the neutrino fog around $m_\chi \approx 5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ after 10 years of data collection



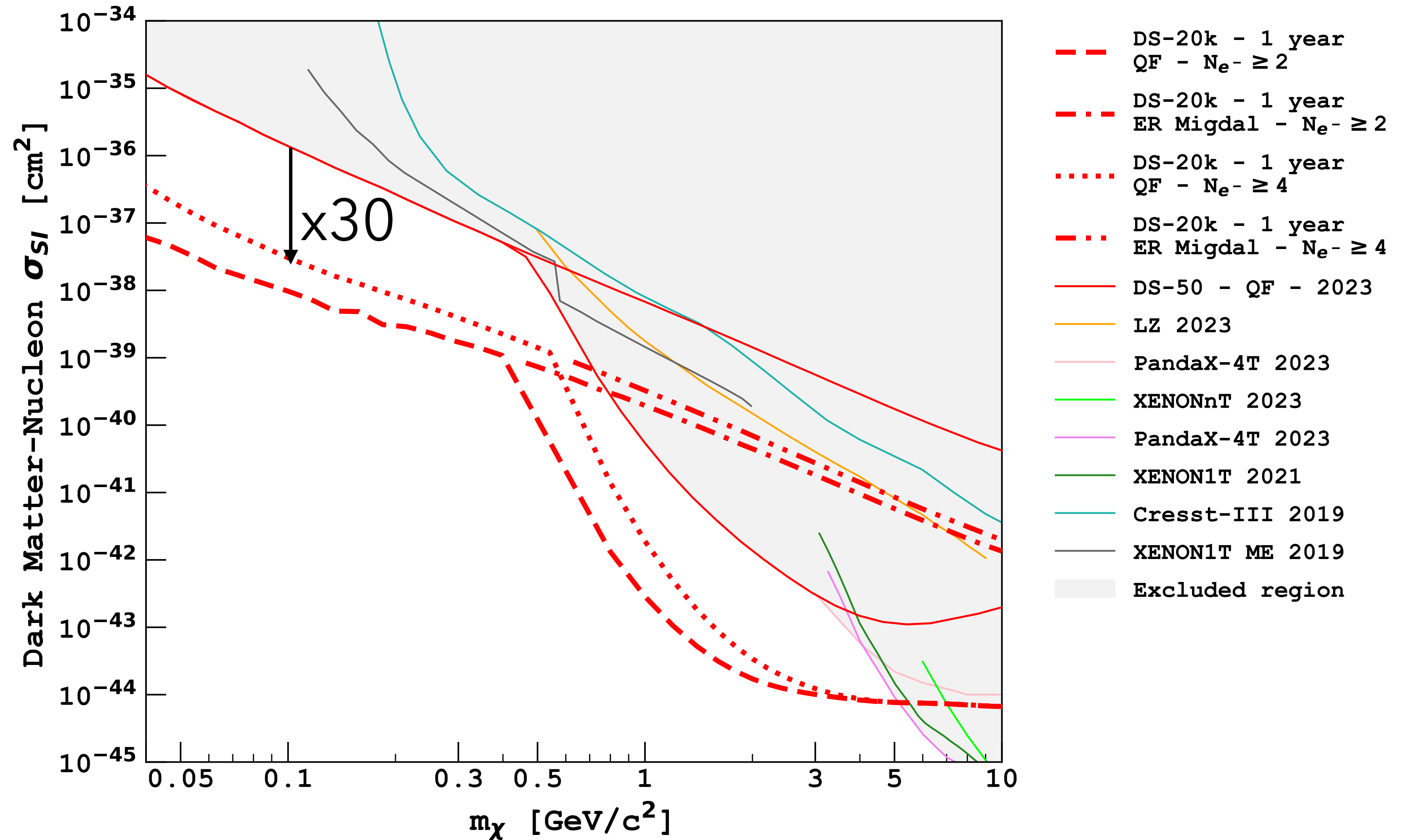
Including Migdal effect

Assuming 1 year of data taking

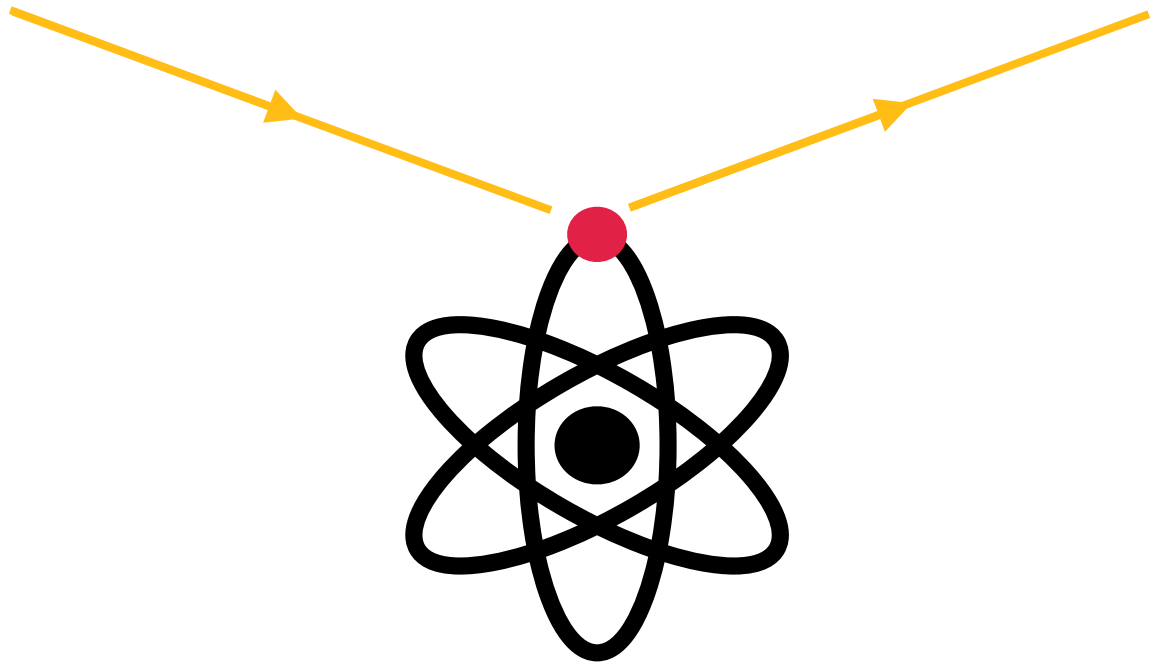
- Migdal effect = possible atomic effect
- Electron released in NR
 - Lower the detection threshold

→ **With Migdal effect:** best limits from $40 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ to $5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

→ Expect **> 1 order of magnitude improvement** wrt to current experiments in **1y** only



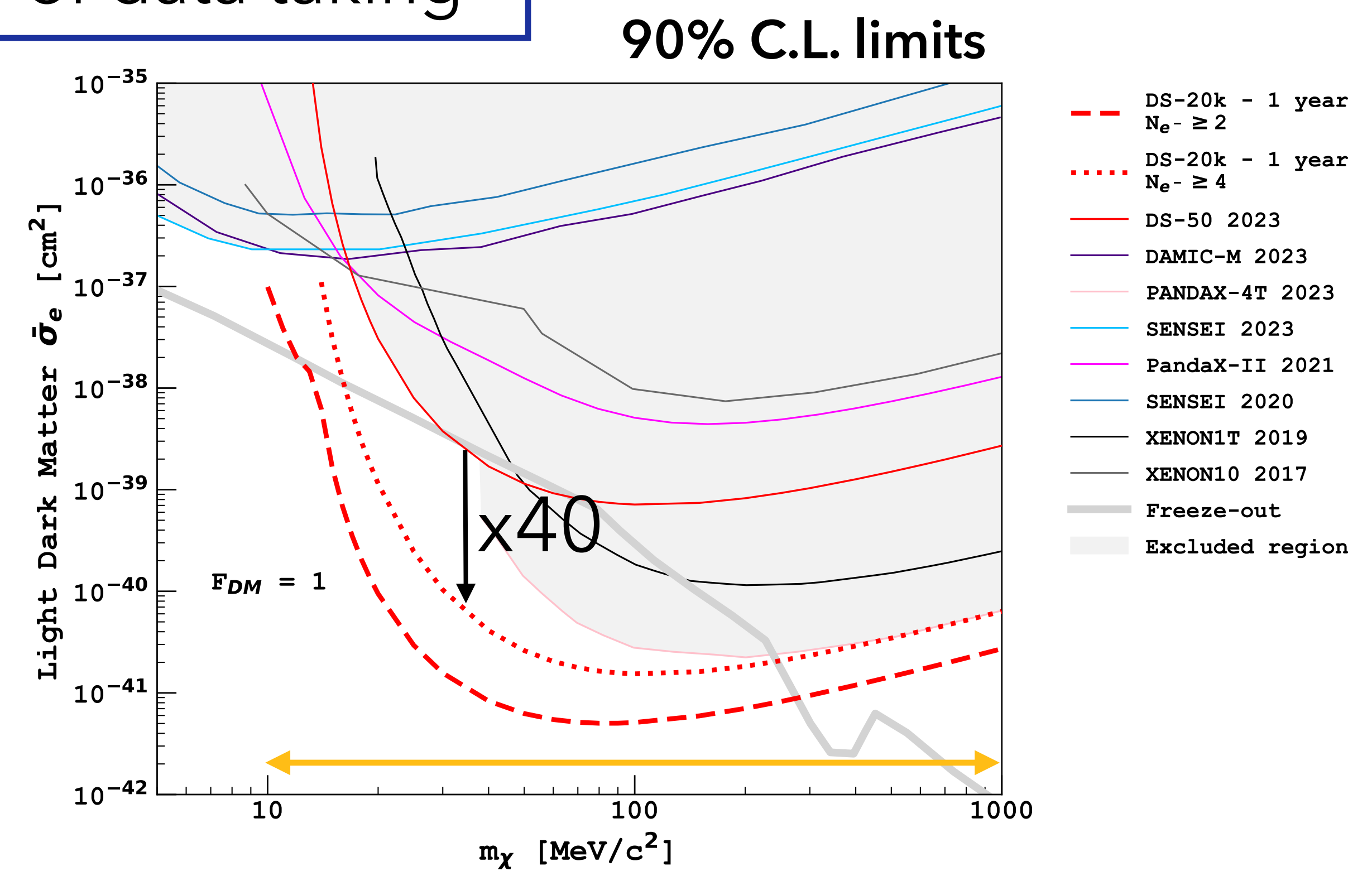
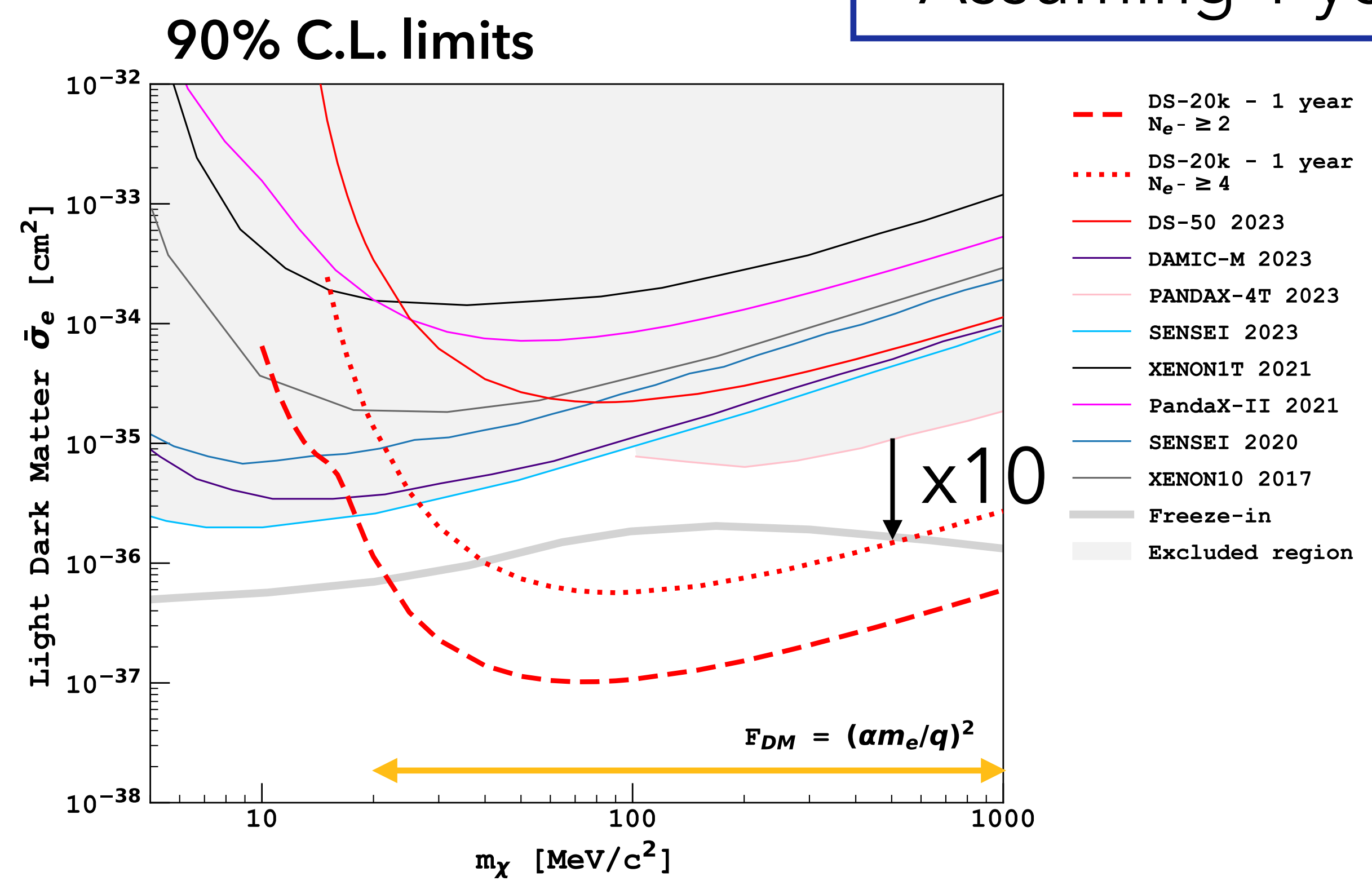
Light dark matter (LDM)



- Elastic scatter of Light Dark Matter (LDM) off bound electrons
- LDM = Sub GeV fermion or scalar boson
- Mediator can be light ($\rightarrow F \sim 1/q^2$) or heavy ($\rightarrow F \sim 1$)

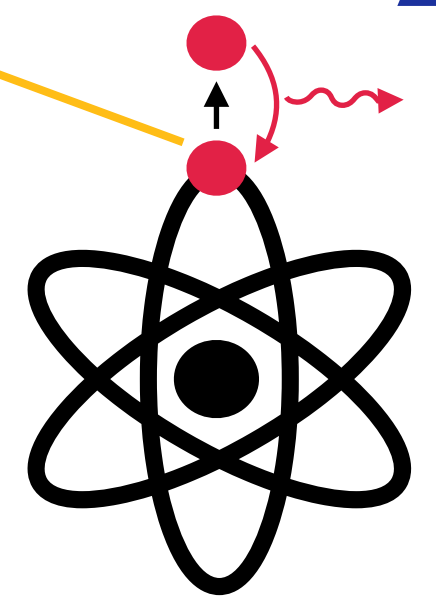
Expect **> 1 order of magnitude improvement** wrt to current experiments in **1y** only

Assuming 1 year of data taking



ALP and dark photon (DP)

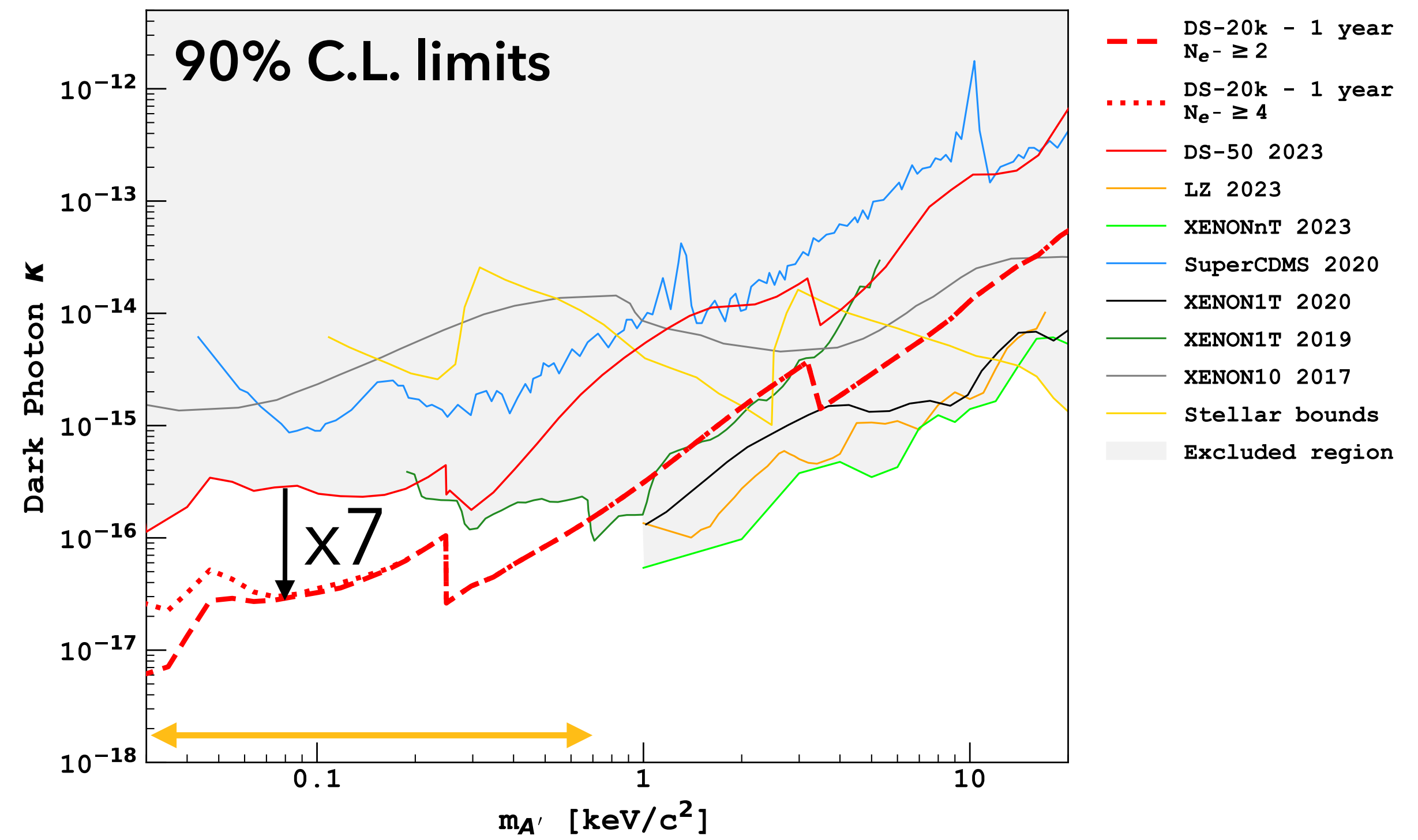
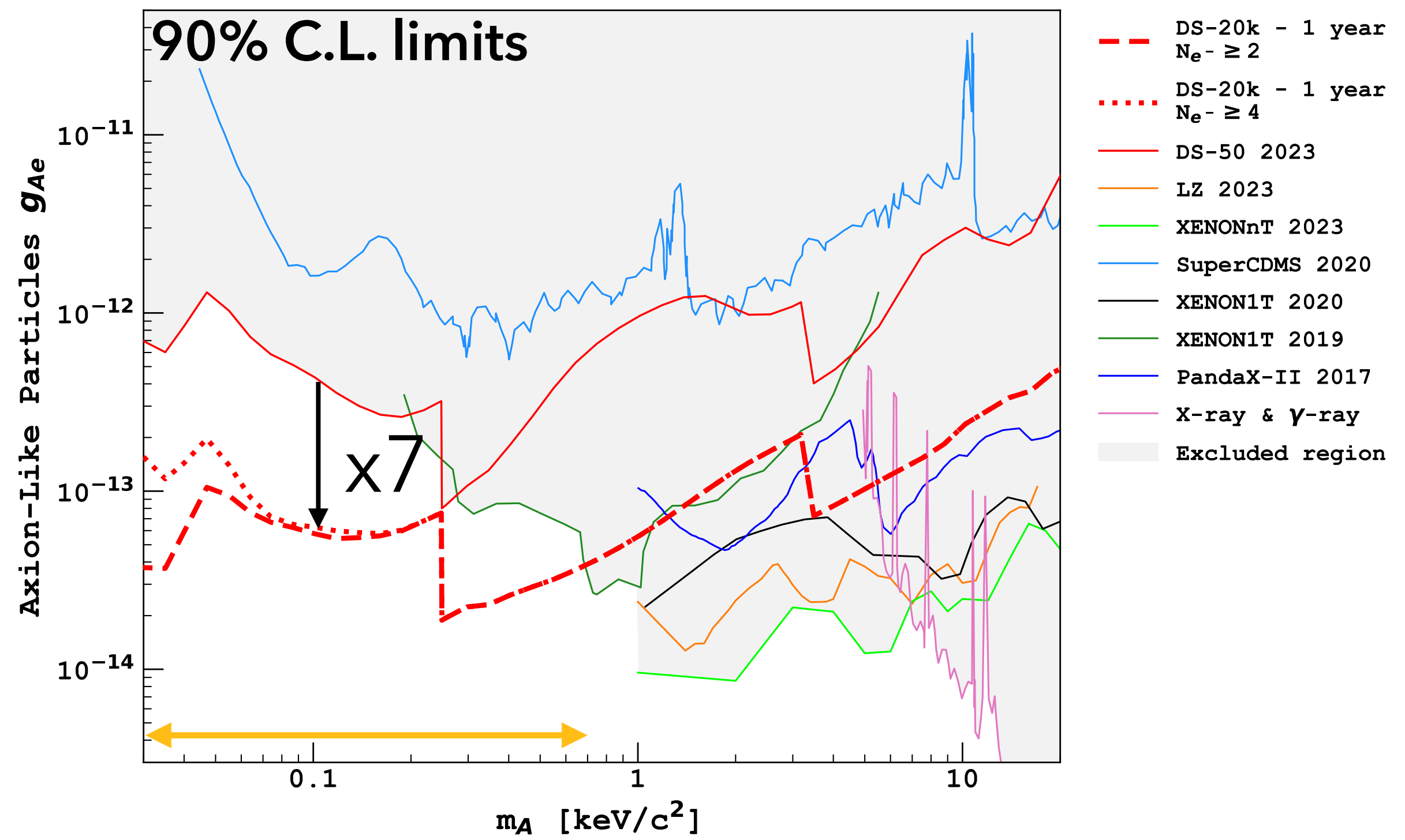
Expect $\approx 5x$ **improvement** wrt to current experiments in **1y** only



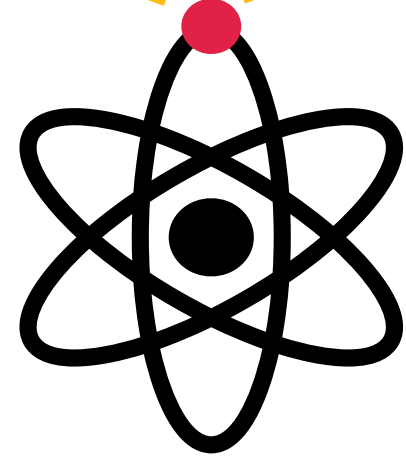
Absorption of ALP/DP by bound electrons \rightarrow mono-energetic signal

- ALP = pseudo scalar particle
- DP = vector boson particle
- Coupling ALP - electrons $\rightarrow g_{Ae}$
- Kinetic mixing between DP and SM photons \rightarrow strength κ

Assuming 1 year of data taking

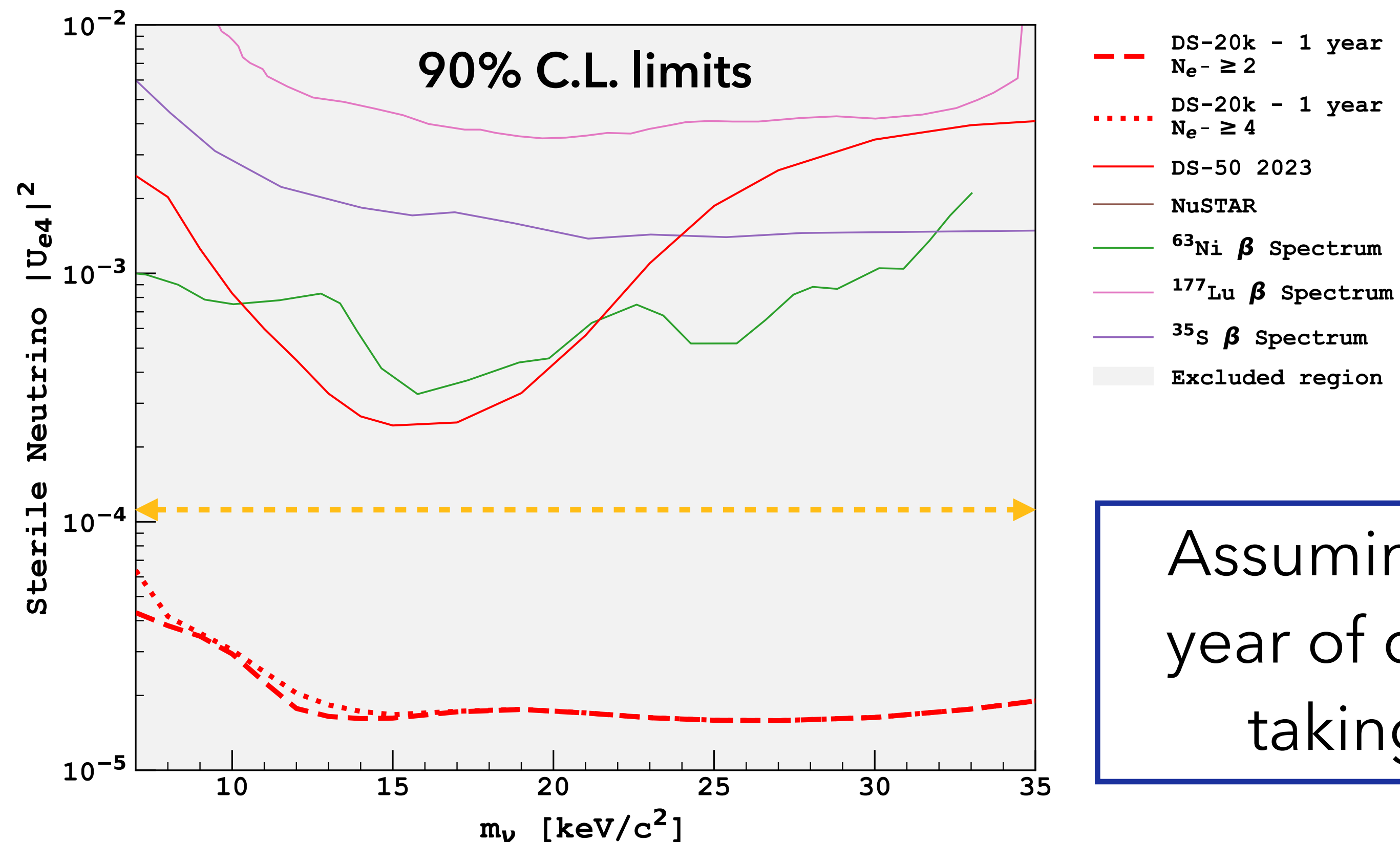


Sterile neutrino ν_s



- Inelastic scatter of sterile ν_s off bound electrons
- Possible mixing with active neutrinos \rightarrow PMNS-like matrix element $|U_{e4}|^2$

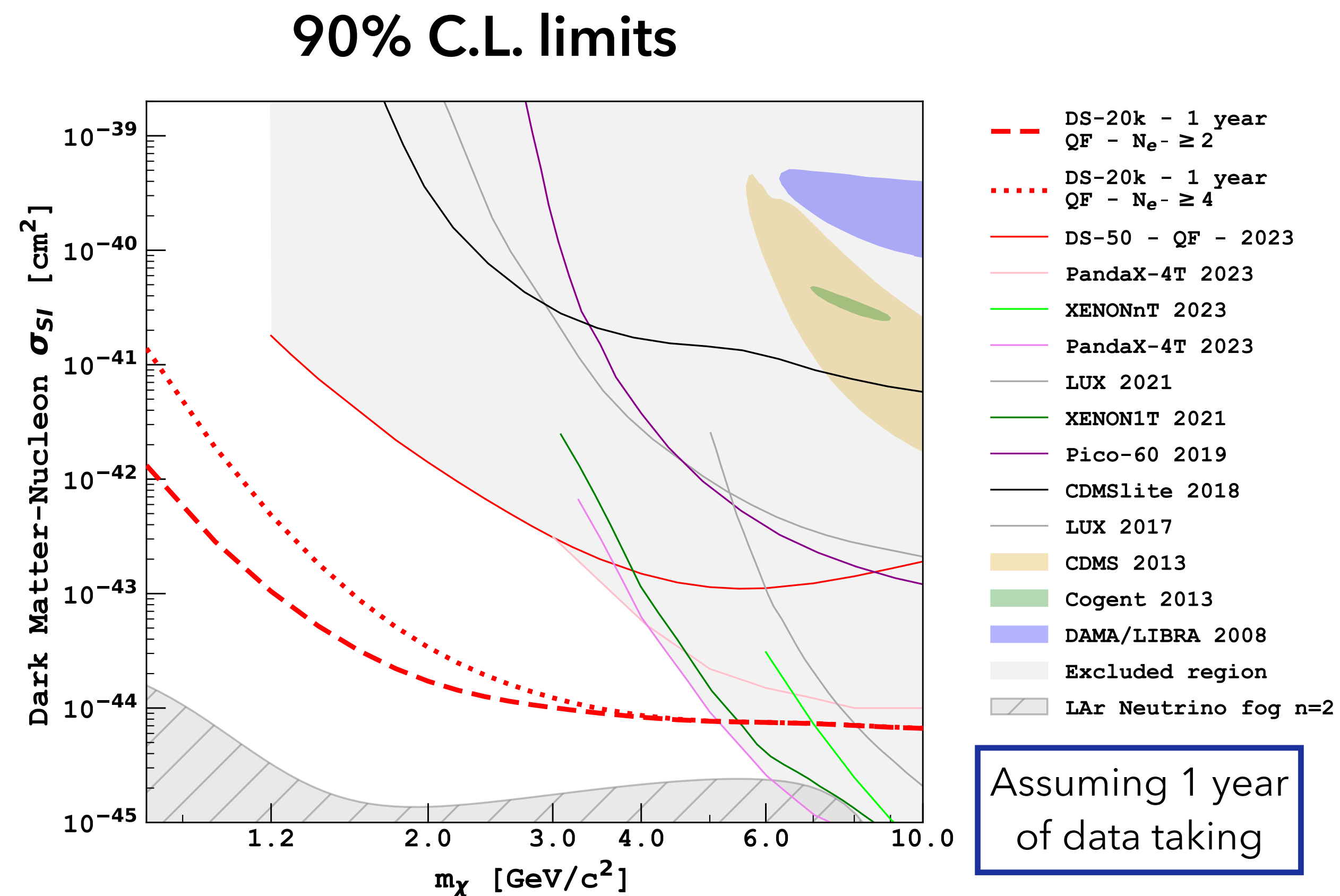
Best direct limits (1 year)
but phase space already
rejected by NuSTAR
indirect measurements



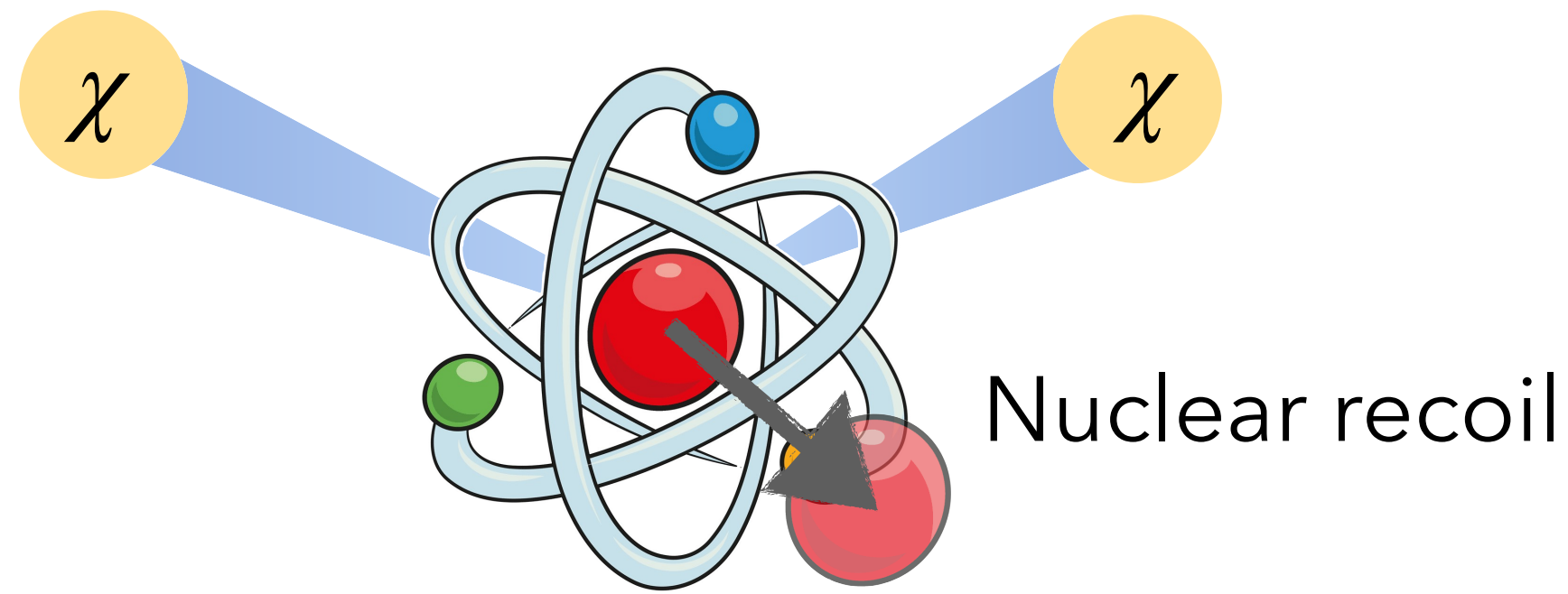
Assuming 1
year of data
taking

Take home messages

- First assessment of **DarkSide-20k sensitivity to low mass dark matter particles**
- Further strengthens the physics reach of DS-20k
- Expect to probe > 1 order to magnitude of un-charted theory parameter space **within 1 year only** for a **variety of dark matter particles**
- Presented at the **Identification of Dark Matter** (IDM) conference
- **Submitted for publication**



+ Studies assessing the influence of **backgrounds level / detector effects / exposure / systematics / signal modelling** on the limit



Signal rate

$$\frac{dR}{dE_r} = \frac{\sigma_{SI}}{2\mu^2 m_\chi} M_{tot} \cdot T \cdot A^2 \cdot |F(E_r)|^2 \cdot \rho_0 \cdot \eta(v_{min})$$

Physics

$\sigma_{SI} \rightarrow$ WIMP-nucleon cross section

$\mu \rightarrow$ WIMP-nucleus reduced mass

$m_\chi \rightarrow$ WIMP mass

Target material

$M_{tot} \rightarrow$ Detector fiducial mass

$T \rightarrow$ Detector running time

$A \rightarrow$ Target material atomic mass number

$F(E_r) \rightarrow$ Nuclear form factor

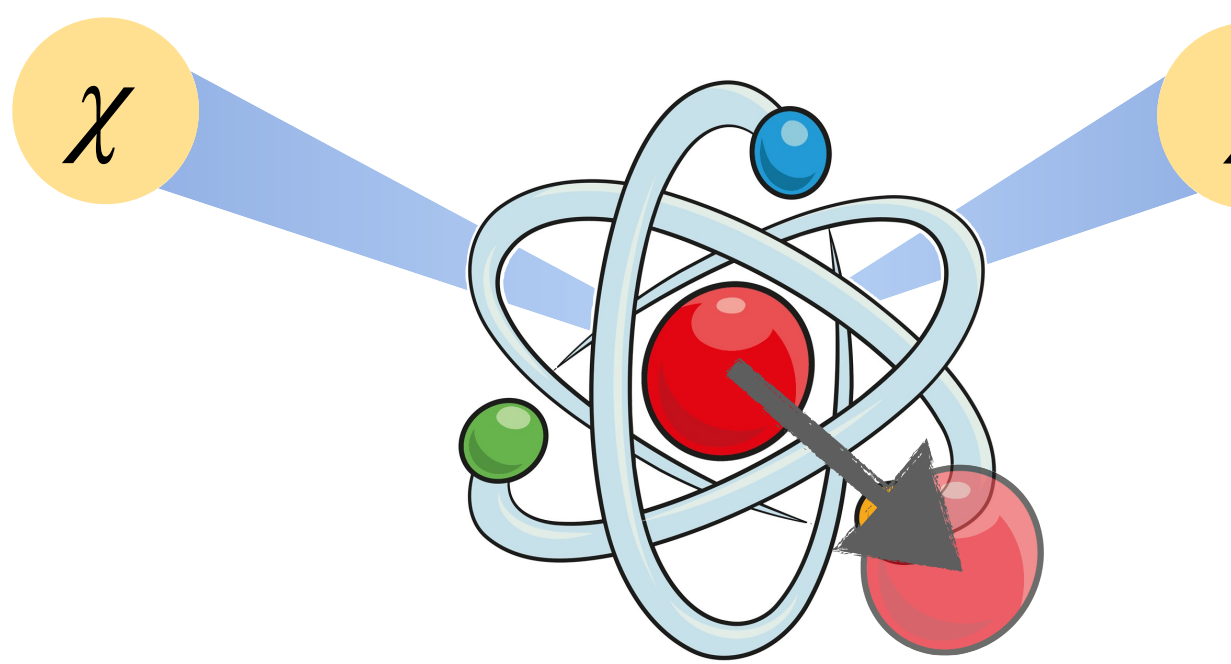
Astrophysics (galactic DM halo modelling)

$\rho_0 \rightarrow$ Local DM mass density (set to $\rho_0 = 0.3 \text{ GeV}/\text{cm}^3/c^2$)

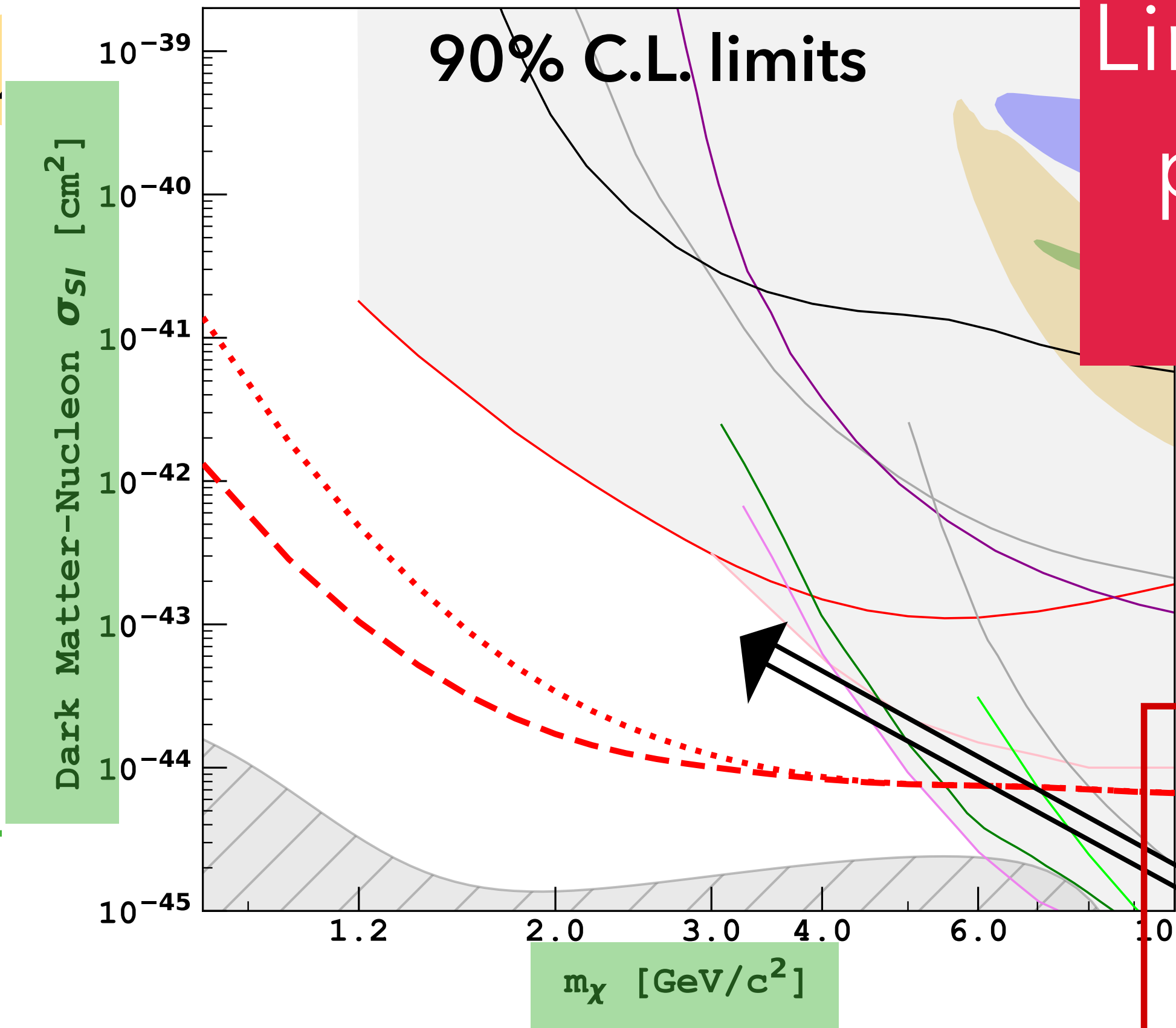
$\eta(v_{min}) \rightarrow$ Mean inverse speed of DM

$$\left(\eta(v_{min}) = \int_{v_{min}} \frac{f(v)}{v} dv \right)$$

$v_{min} \rightarrow$ Minimal velocity needed to have a recoil of energy E_r



$$\frac{dR}{dE_r} = \frac{\sigma_{SI}}{2\mu^2 m_\chi}$$



Limits are computed in a peculiar astrophysical framework

$$v_{min}^2 \cdot \rho_0 \cdot \eta(v_{min})$$

Astrophysics (galactic DM halo modelling)

$\rho_0 \rightarrow$ Local DM mass density (set to $\rho_0 = 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3/c^2$)

$\eta(v_{min}) \rightarrow$ Mean inverse speed of DM

$$\left(\eta(v_{min}) = \int_{v_{min}} \frac{f(v)}{v} dv \right)$$

$v_{min} \rightarrow$ Minimal velocity needed to have a recoil of energy E_r

Physics

$\sigma_{SI} \rightarrow$ WIMP-nucleon cross section

$\mu \rightarrow$ WIMP-nucleus reduced mass

$m_\chi \rightarrow$ WIMP mass

$T \rightarrow$ Detector running time

$A \rightarrow$ Target material atomic mass number

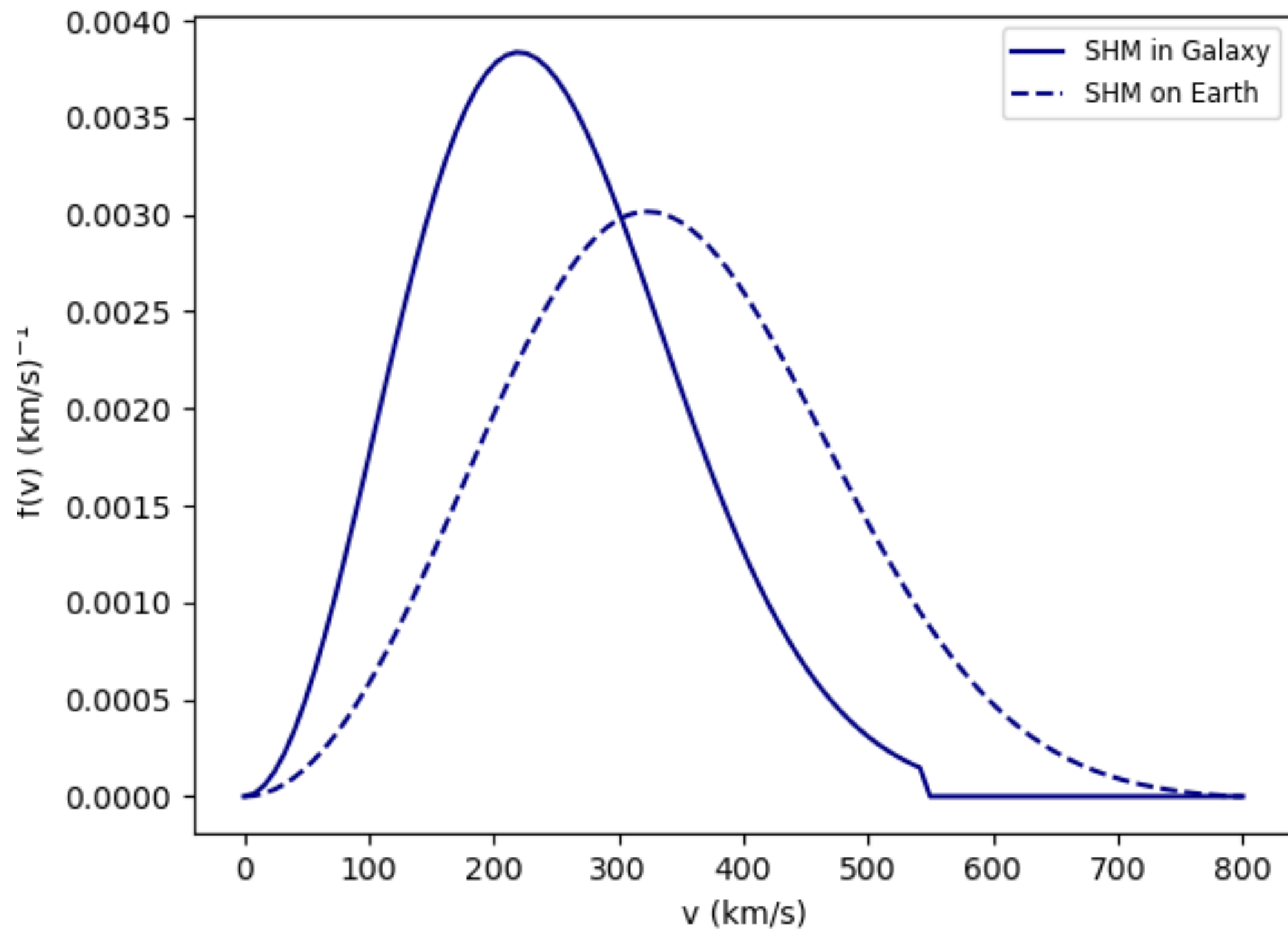
$F(E_r) \rightarrow$ Nuclear form factor

Galactic dark matter halo

Standard Halo Model (SHM)

A velocity distribution

SHM: Maxwellian velocity distribution



Four astrophysical parameters

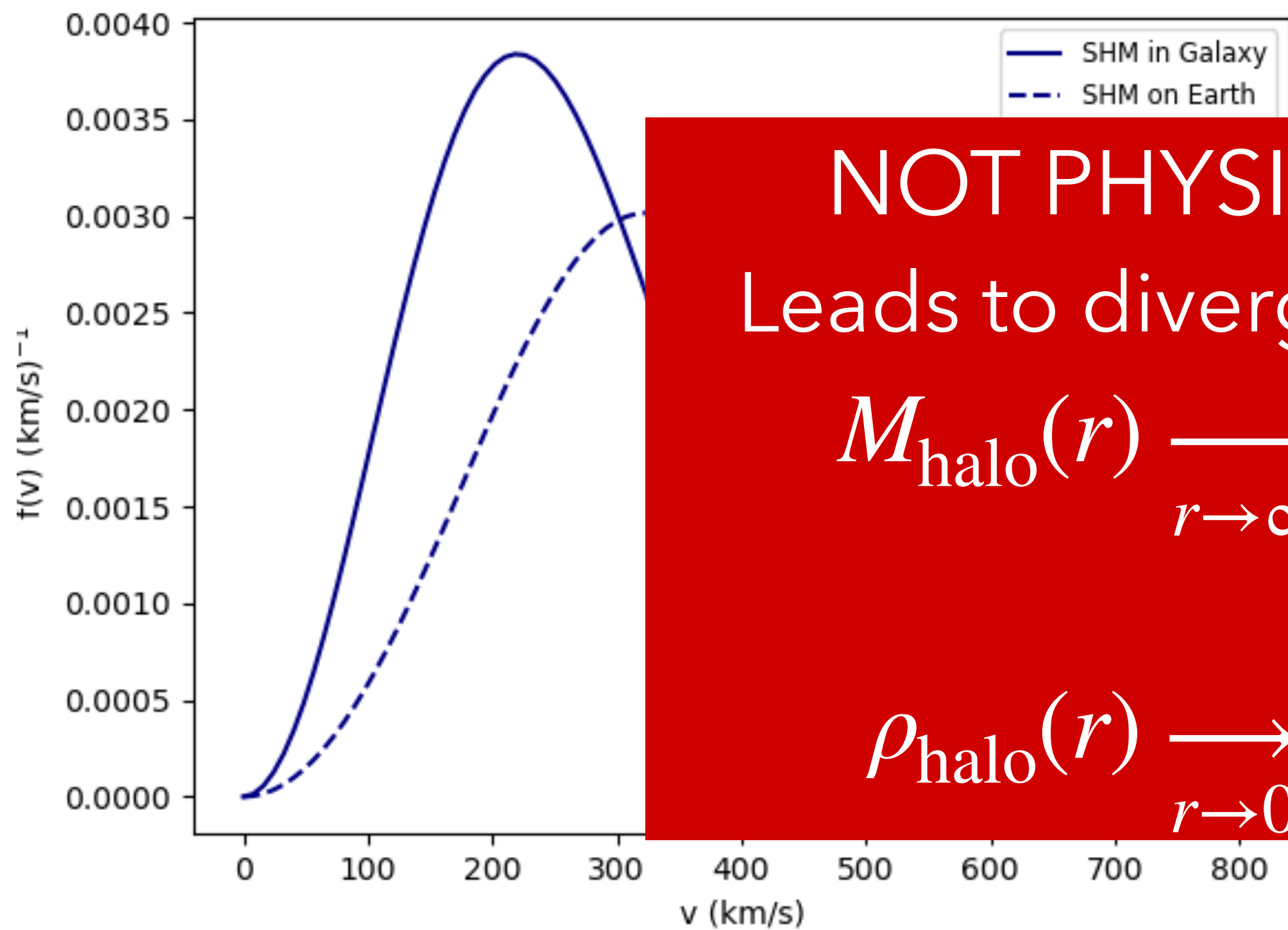
- $\rho_0 \rightarrow$ Local DM mass density
Set to $\rho_0 = 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3/c^2$
- $v_{esc} \rightarrow$ Escape velocity at the position of the Sun
Set to $v_{esc} = 544 \text{ km/s}$
- $v_0 \rightarrow$ Most probable velocity at the position of the Sun
Set to $v_0 = 238 \text{ km/s}$
- $v_c \rightarrow$ Circular velocity at the position of the Sun
Set to $v_c = 238 \text{ km/s}$

Galactic dark matter halo

Standard Halo Model (SHM)

A velocity distribution

SHM: Maxwellian velocity distribution



NOT PHYSICAL
Leads to divergences

$$M_{\text{halo}}(r) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} \infty$$

$$\rho_{\text{halo}}(r) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} \infty$$

Four astrophysical parameters

$\rho_0 \rightarrow$ Local DM mass density
Set to $\rho_0 = 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3/c^2$

$v_{\text{esc}} \rightarrow$ Escape velocity
Set to $v_{\text{esc}} =$

$v_0 \rightarrow$ Most probable velocity
Set to $v_0 = 2$

$v_c \rightarrow$ Circular velocity
Set to $v_c = 2$

Parameters set independently (to their best fit values) while they depend on the chosen halo and on one another

Galactic dark matter halo systematics

Theoretical event rate :

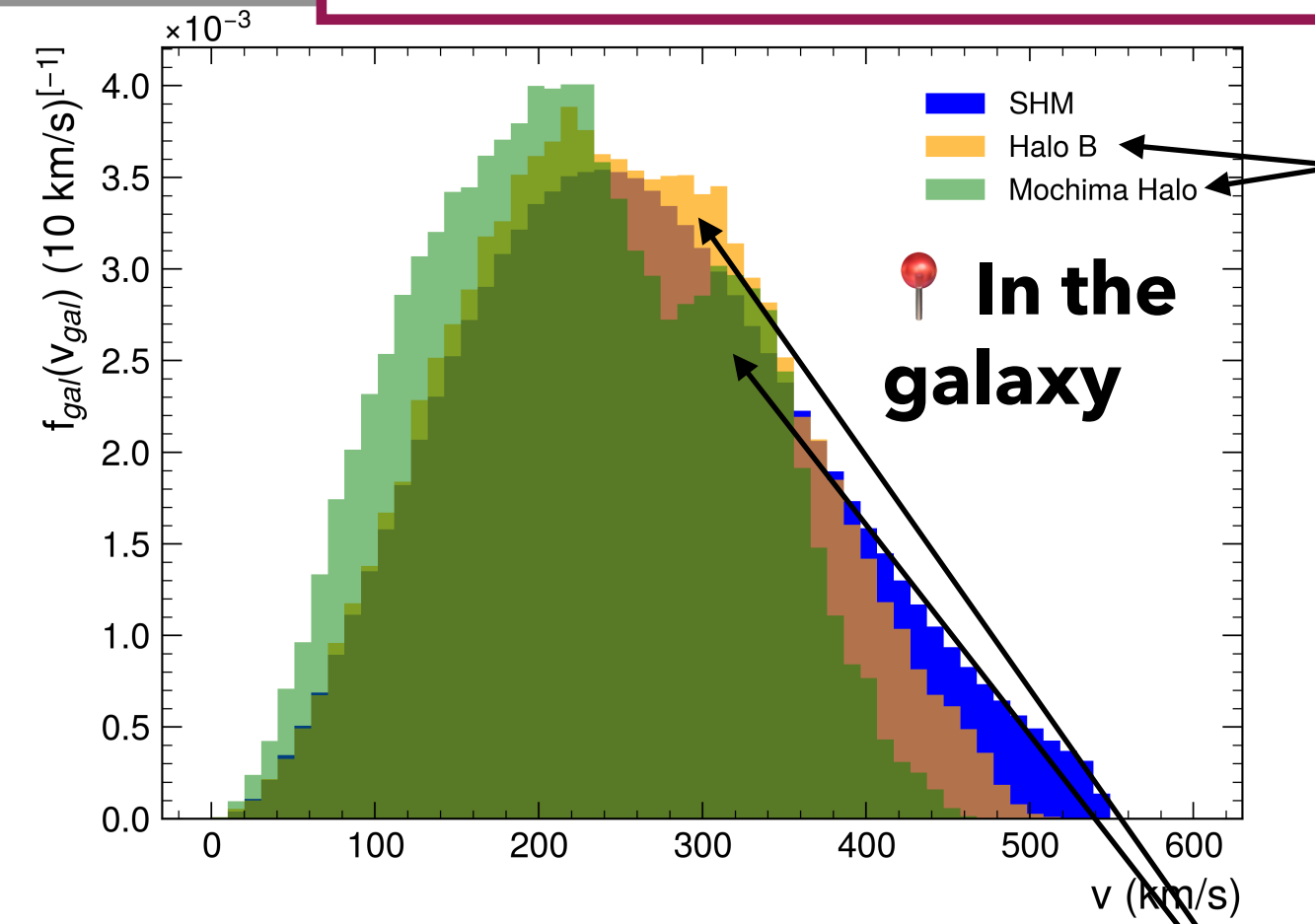
SHM → Maxwellian velocity distribution

$$\frac{dR}{dE} = \frac{\rho_0}{m_\chi m_A} \int_{v > v_{min}}^{v_{max}} \frac{d\sigma}{dE} v f(\vec{v}) d^3\vec{v}$$

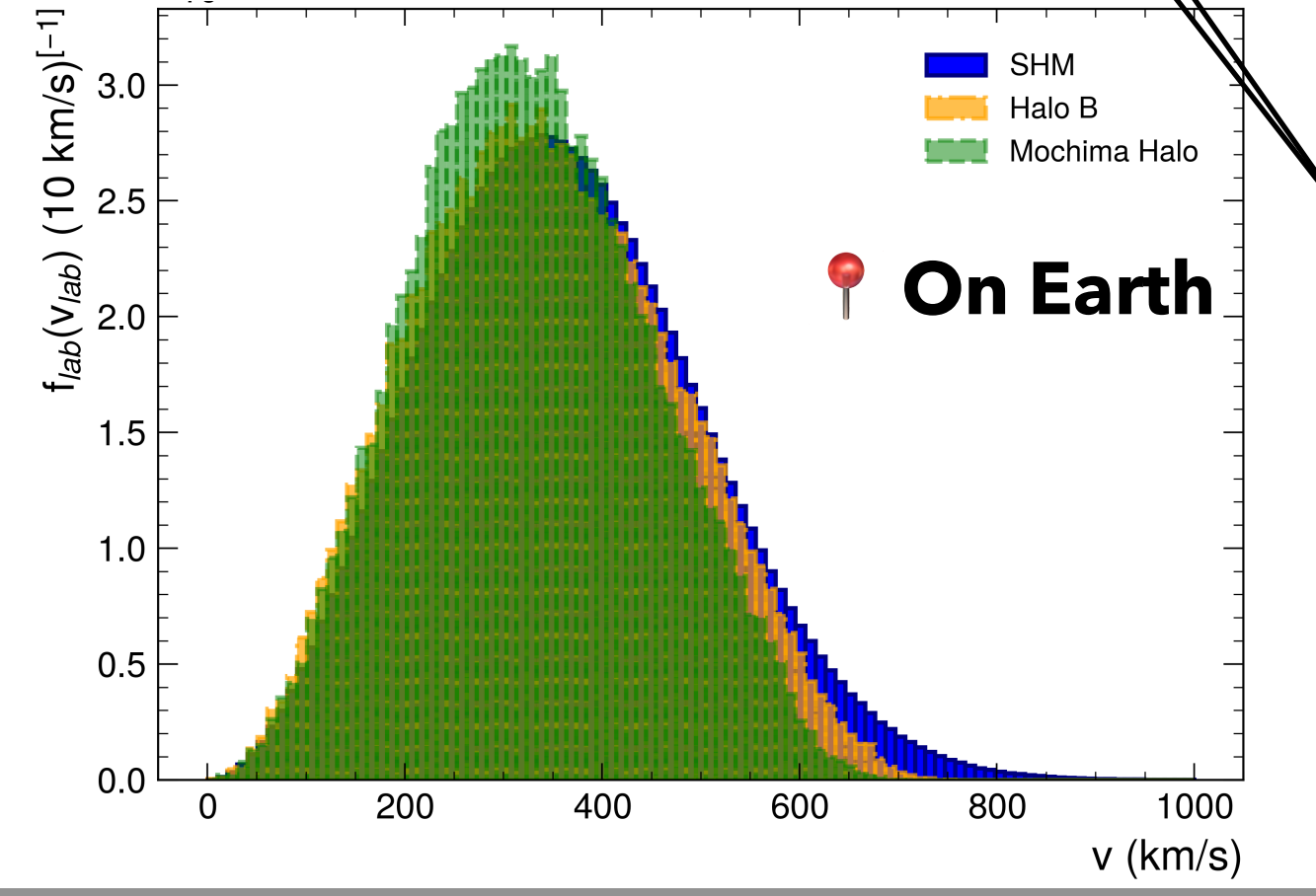
Astrophysical parameters

- $v_{max} = v_{esc} + v_{Earth}$, $v_{esc} = 544$ km/s
- $v_c = v_0 = 238$ km/s
- $\rho_0 = 0.3$ GeV/cm³

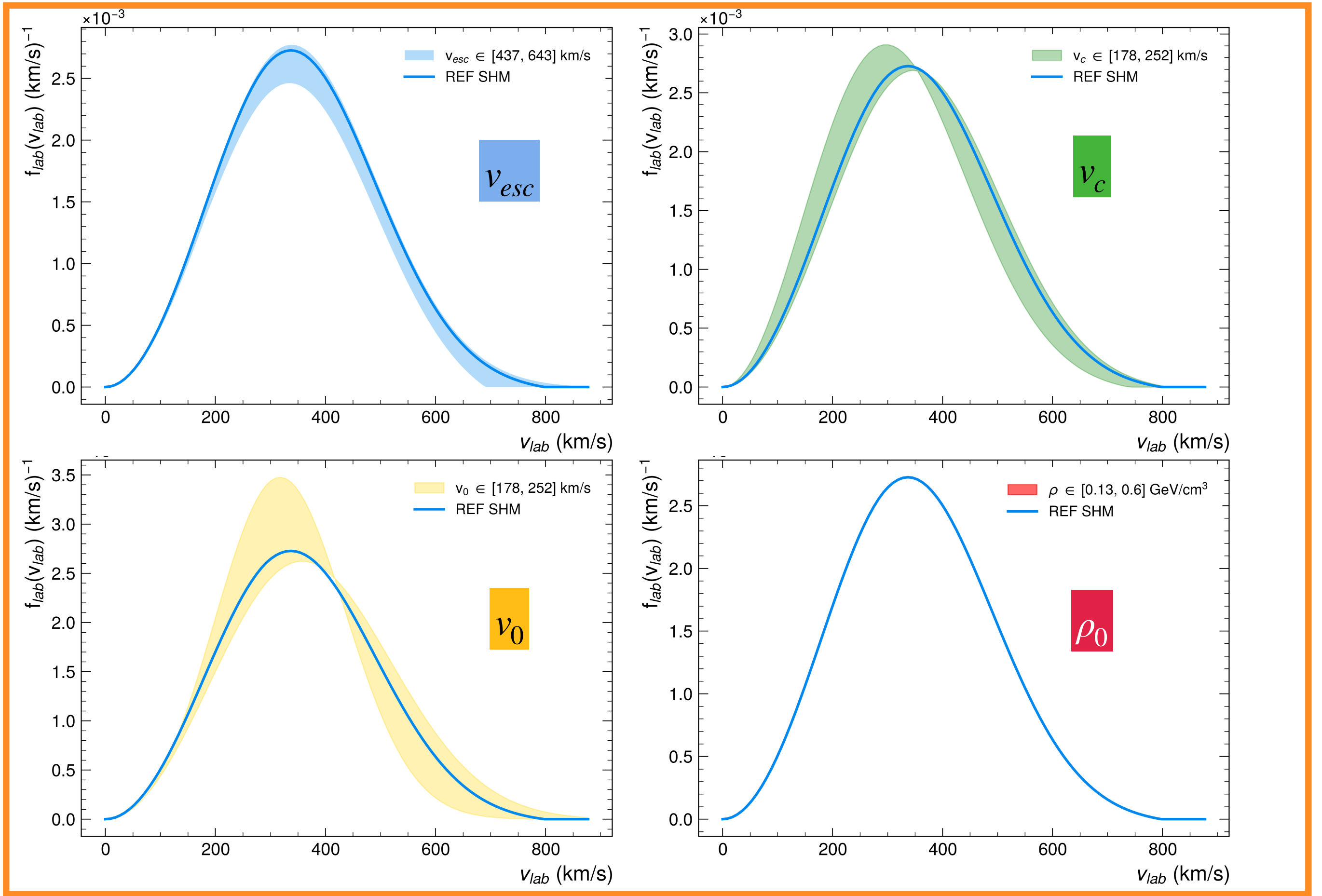
Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. 447 (2015)



DM haloes of Milky-Way-like galaxies derived from DM+baryon cosmological simulations



Bumps resulting from non-linearities in the history of the halo formation



On Earth

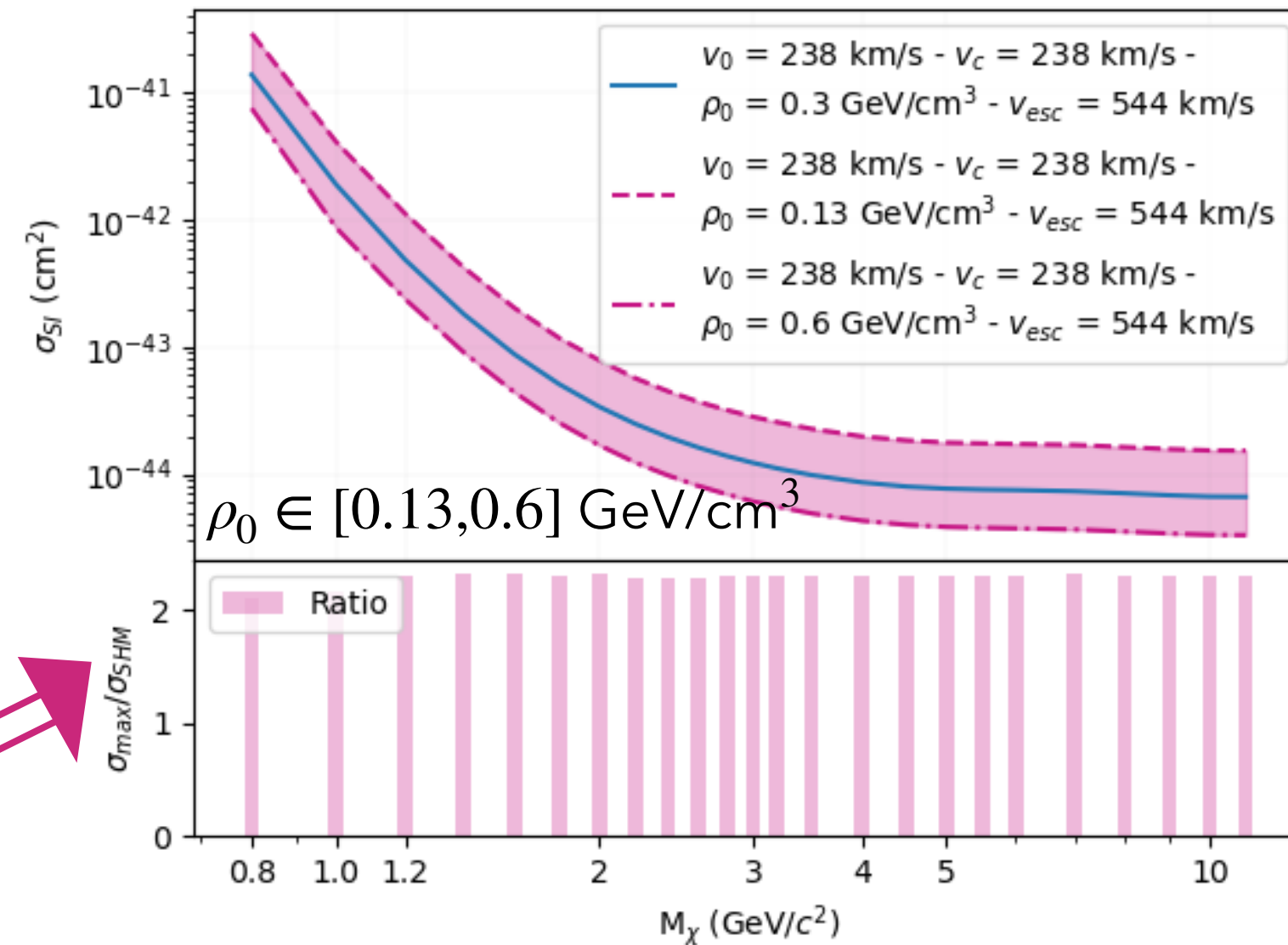
Systematics from DM halo uncertainty: LM case

- Theoretical event rate :

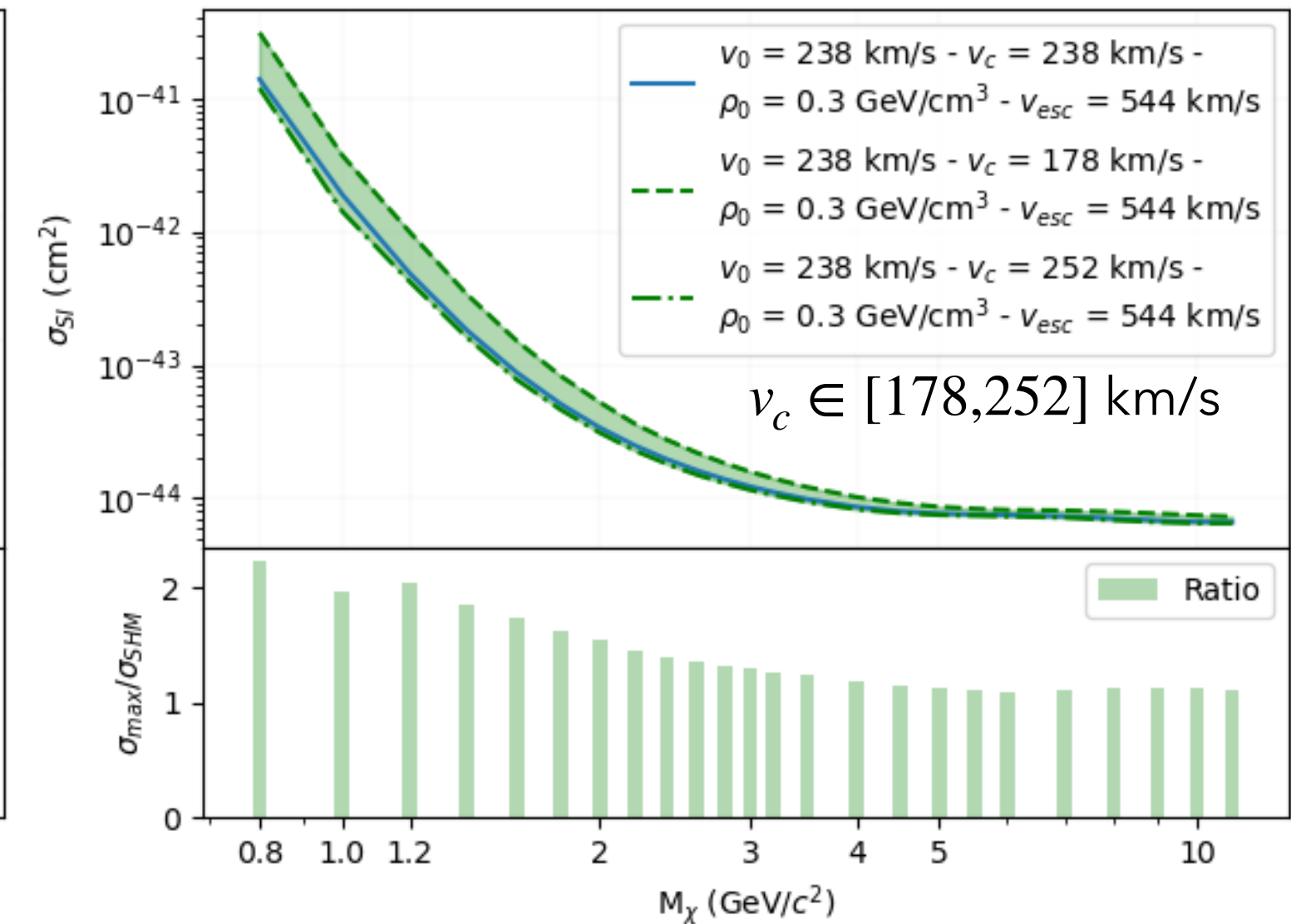
$$\frac{dR}{dE} = \frac{\rho_0}{m_\chi m_A} \int_{v > v_{min}}^{v_{max}} \frac{d\sigma}{dE} v f(\vec{v}) d^3\vec{v}$$

ρ_0 scales linearly with the event rate
 \Rightarrow linear effect on the sensitivity

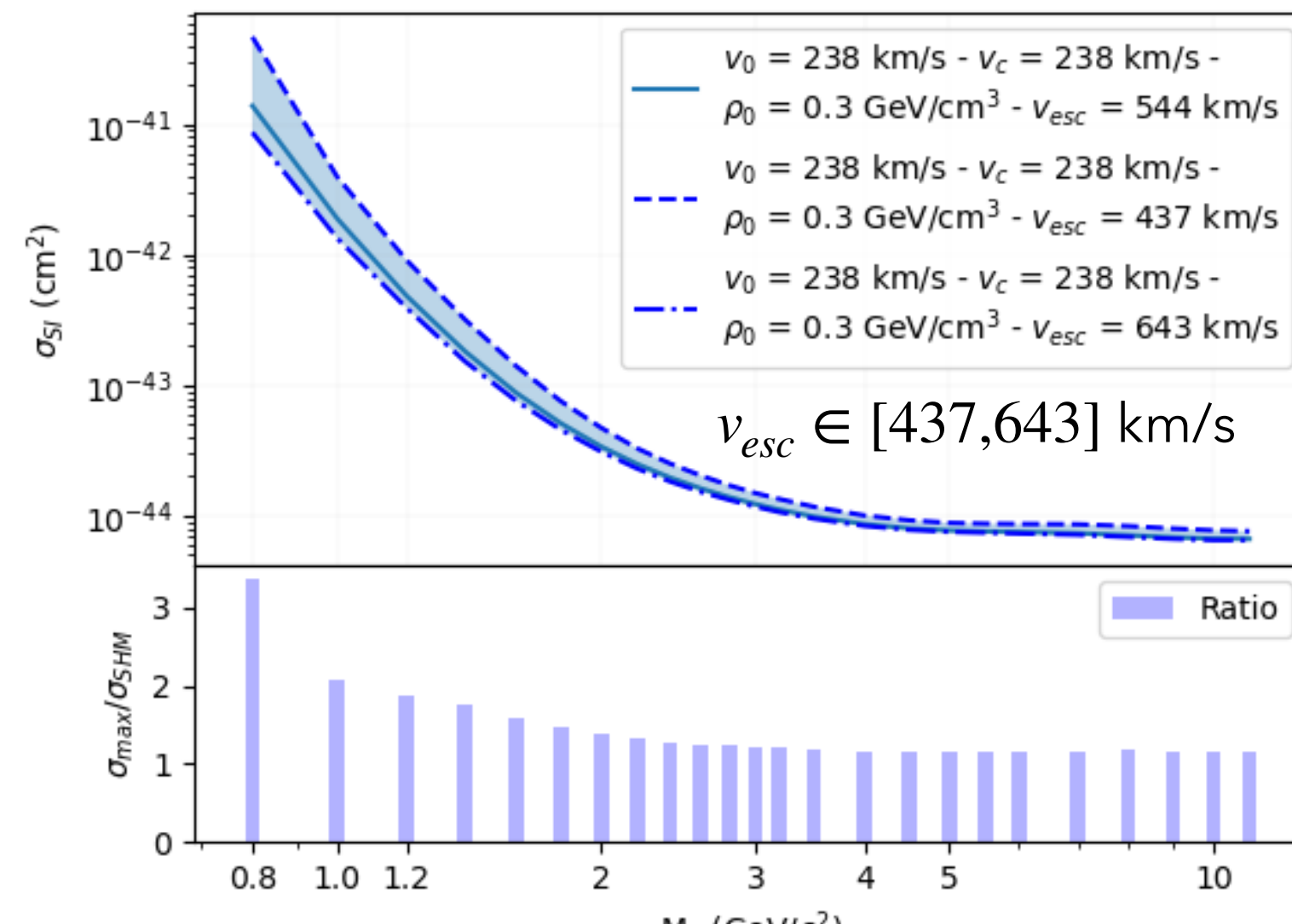
Vary ρ_0



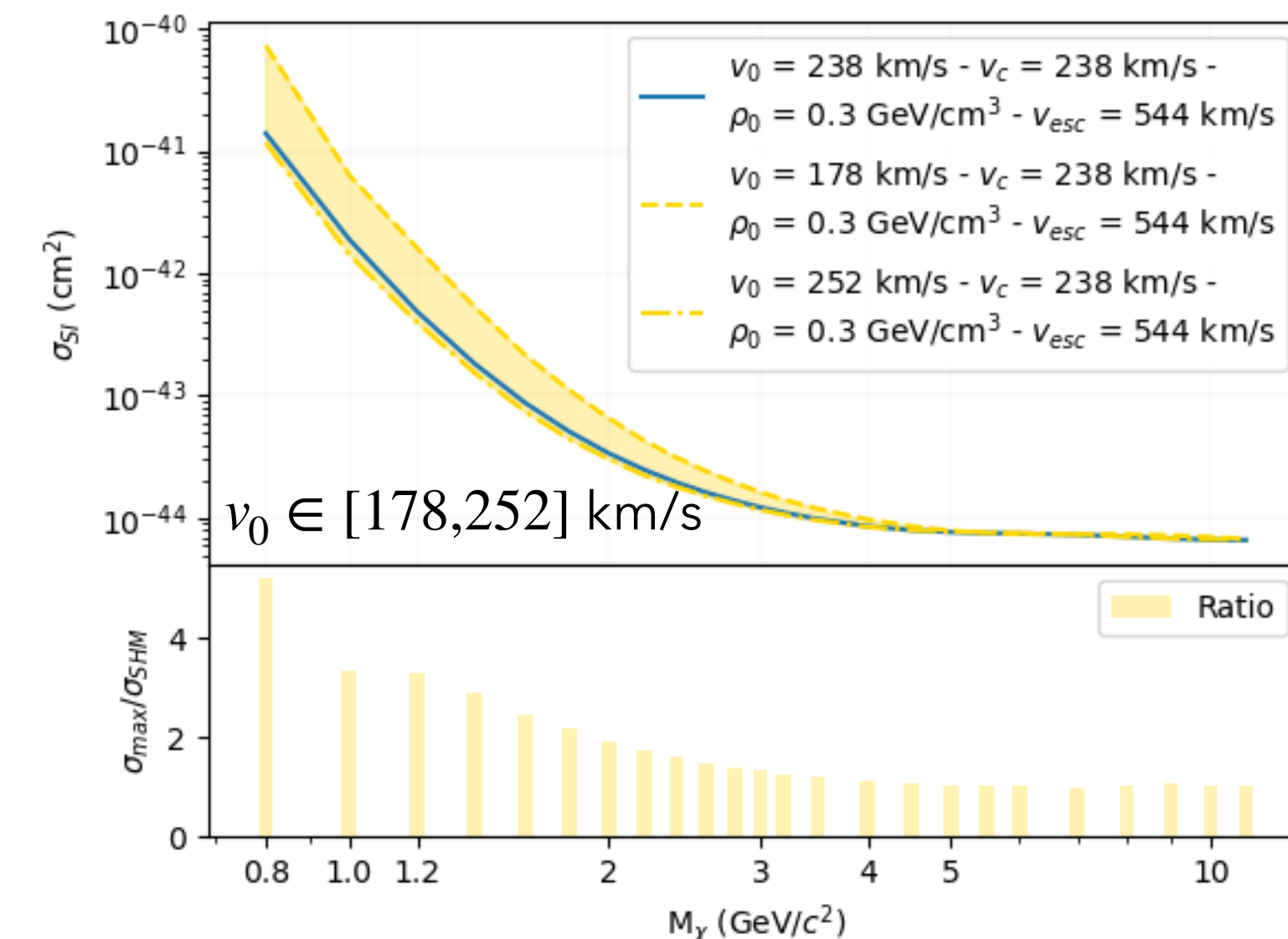
Vary v_c



Vary v_{esc}



Vary v_0



Systematics from DM halo uncertainty: LM case

- Theoretical event rate :

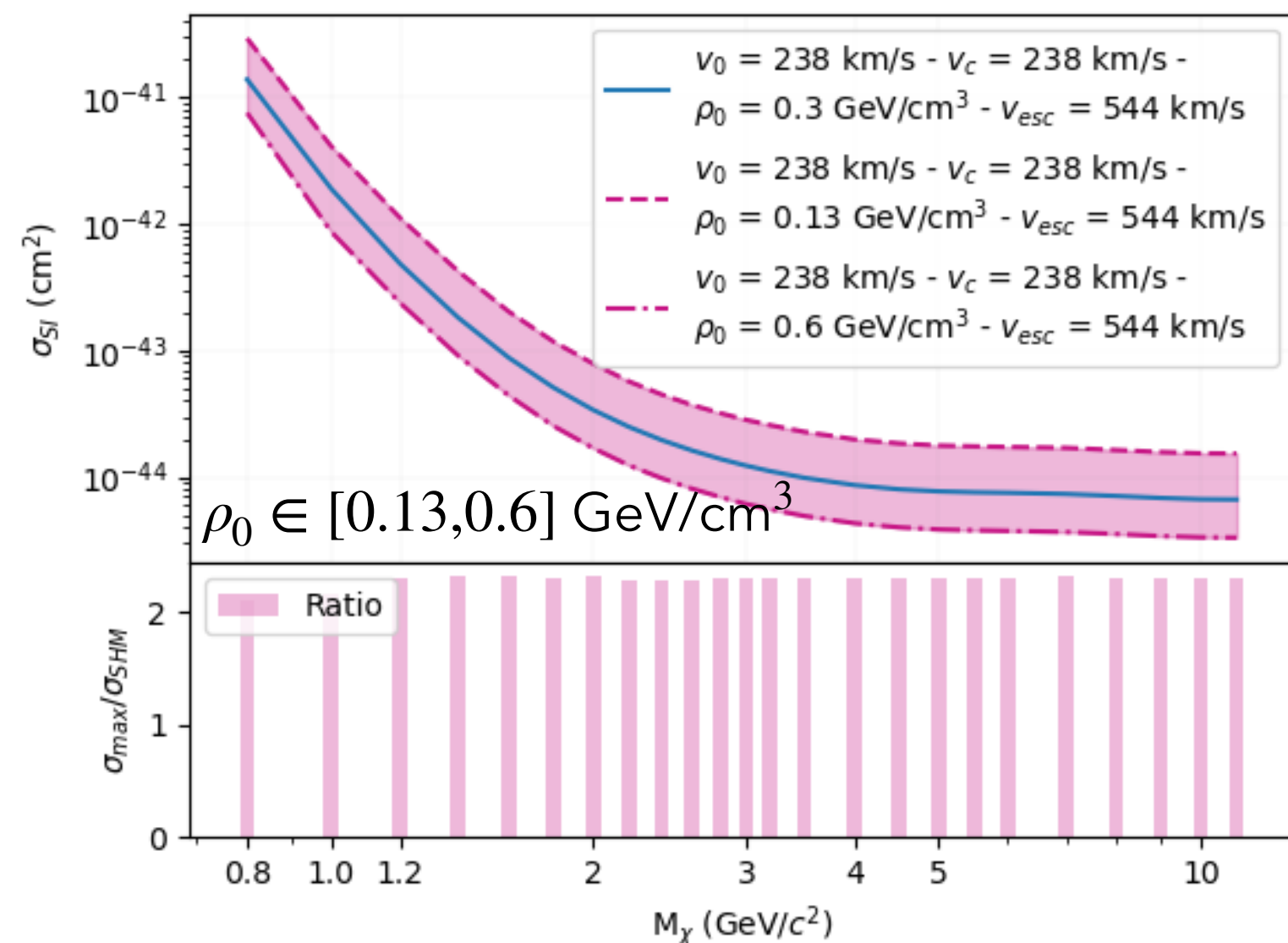
$$\frac{dR}{dE} = \frac{\rho_0}{m_\chi m_A} \int_{v > v_{min}}^{v_{max}} \frac{d\sigma}{dE} v f(\vec{v}) d^3\vec{v}$$

v_{esc} parametrises the tail of the velocity distribution (VPDF) \Rightarrow effect at low mass on the sensitivity

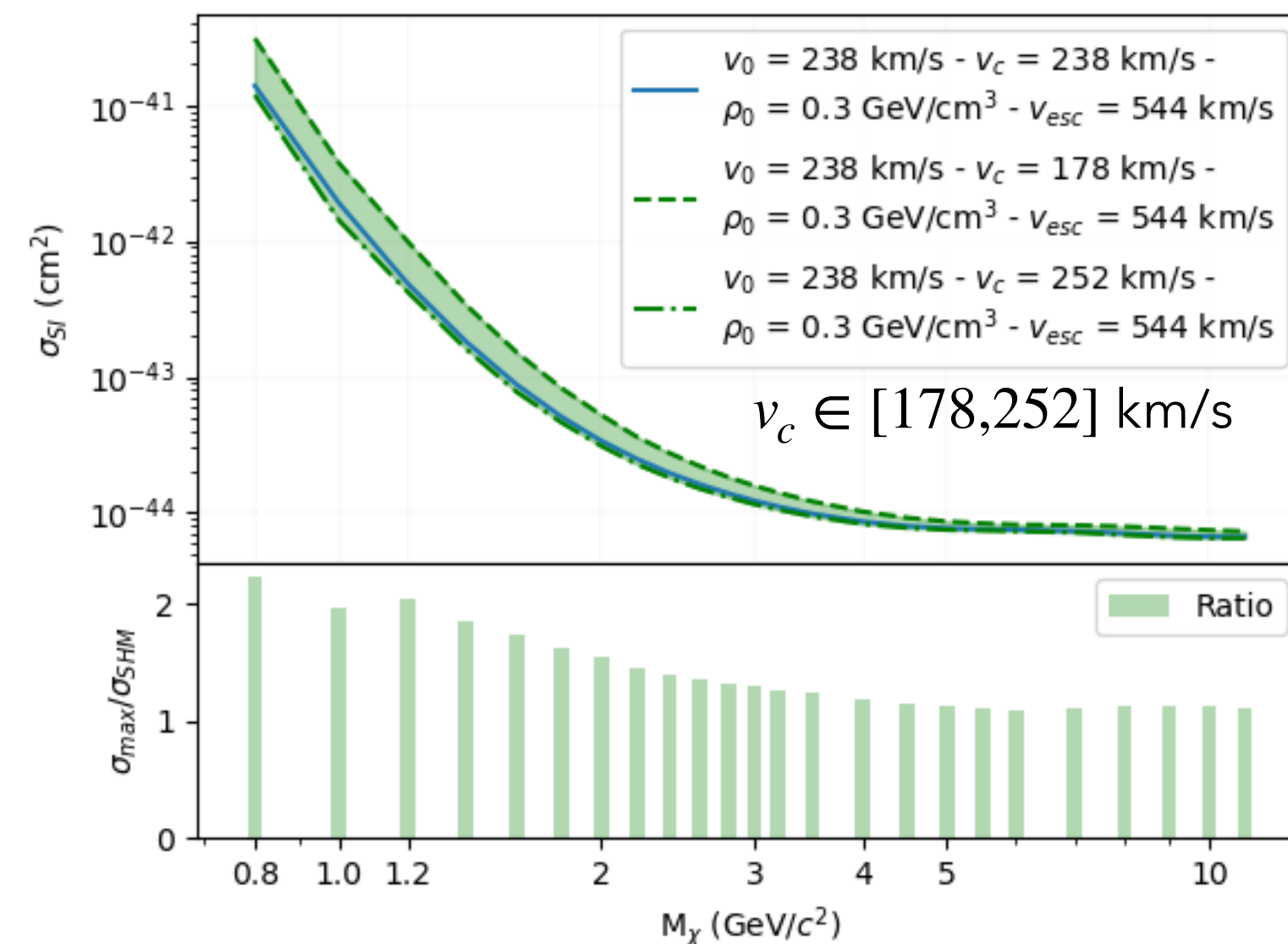
$$v_{min}(E_{th}, m_\chi, M) = v_{esc} + v_c + v_\odot$$

Minimal velocity needed by a WIMP of mass $m_\chi \propto \frac{1}{m_\chi}$ (at low mass)

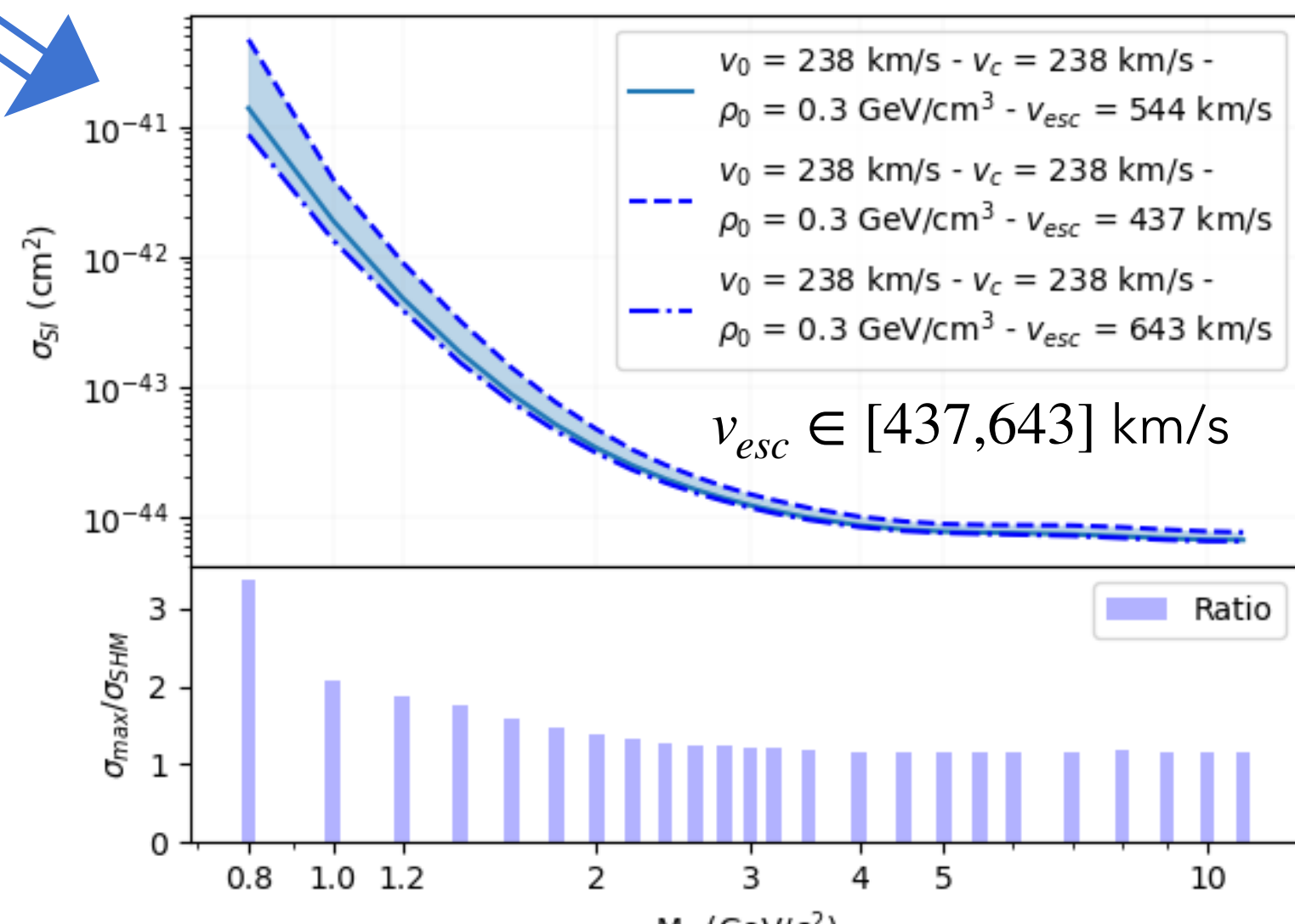
Vary ρ_0



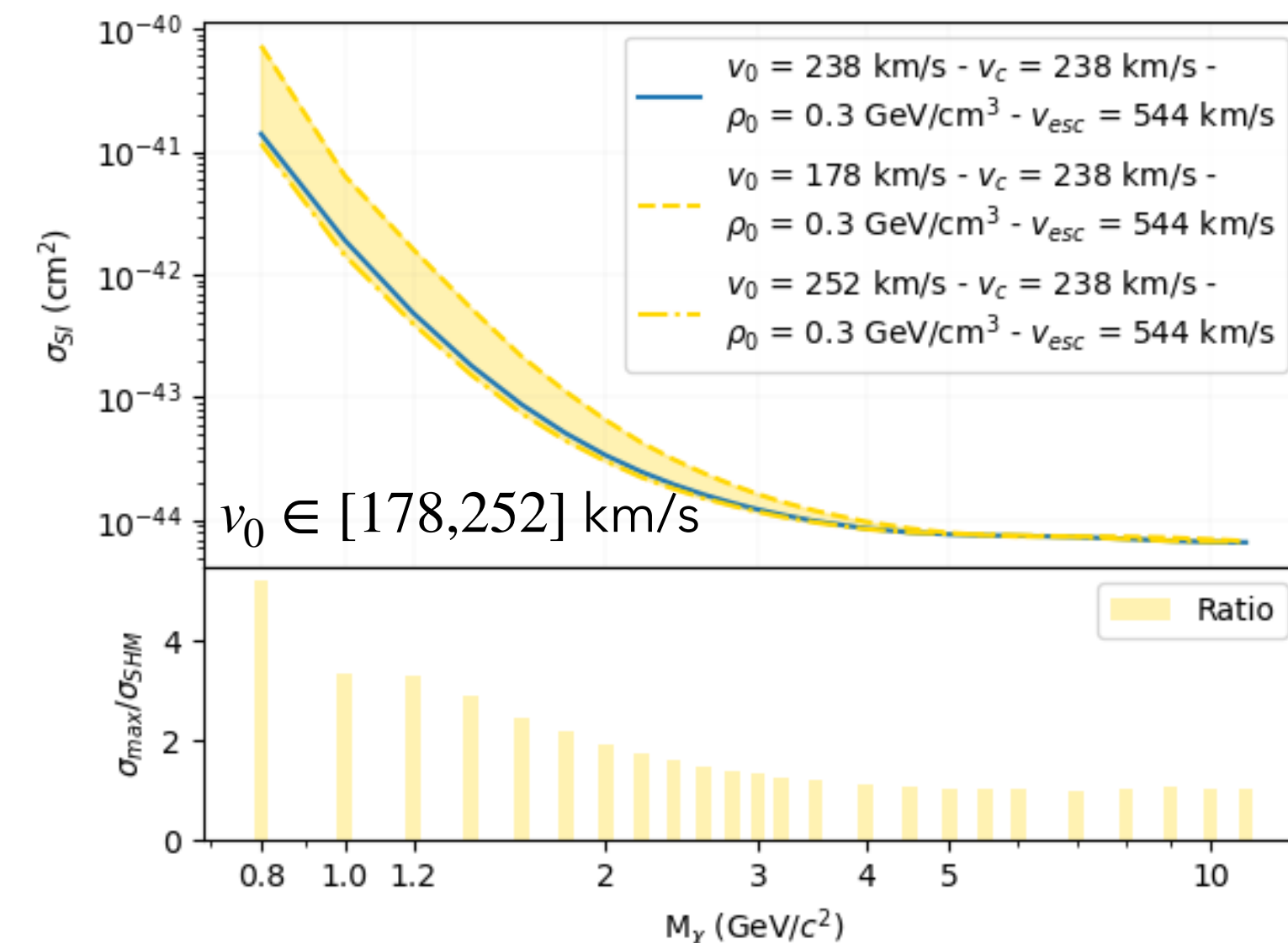
Vary v_c



Vary v_{esc}



Vary v_0



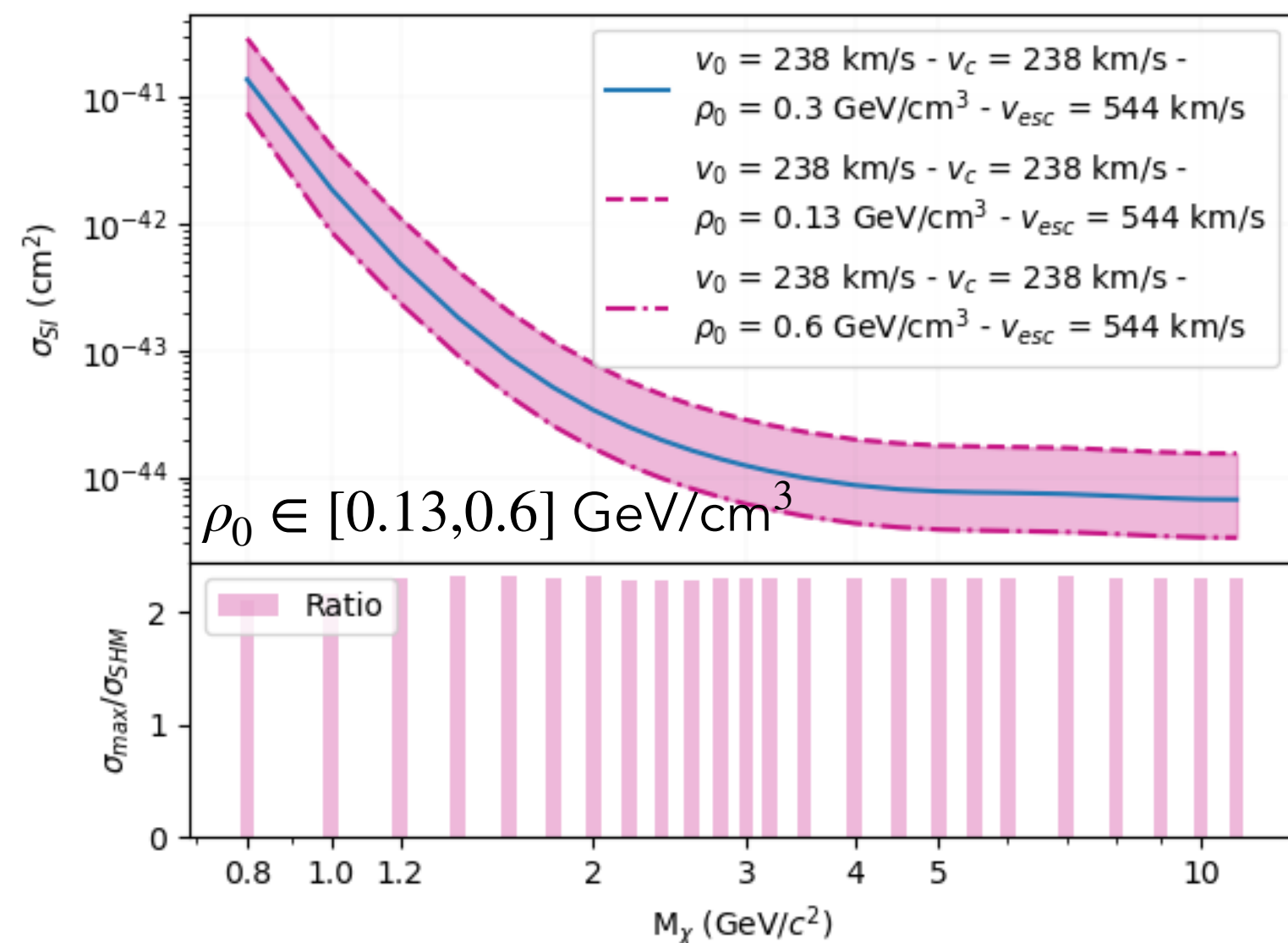
Systematics from DM halo uncertainty: LM case

- Theoretical event rate :

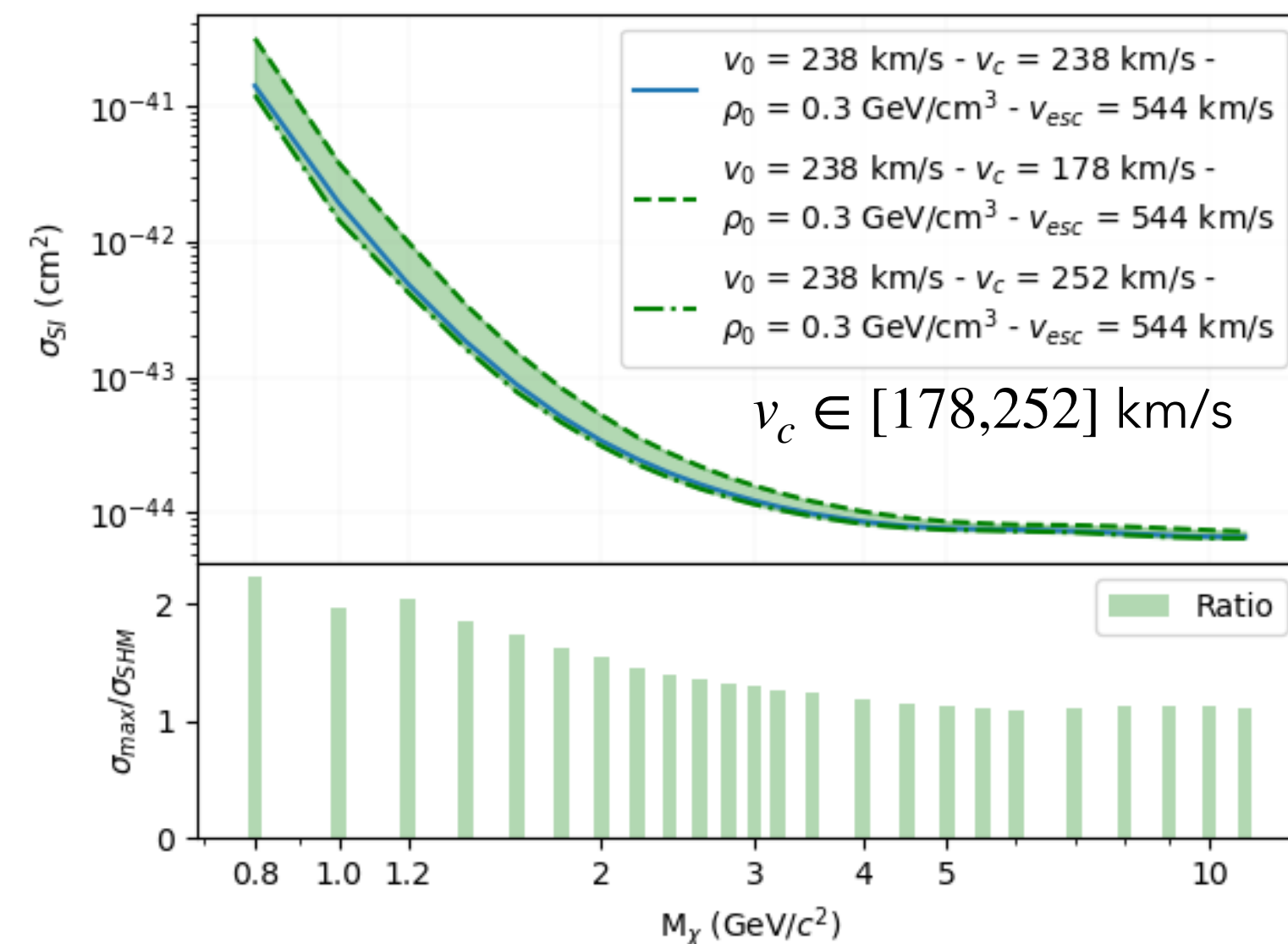
$$\frac{dR}{dE} = \frac{\rho_0}{m_\chi m_A} \int_{v > v_{min}}^{v_{max}} \frac{d\sigma}{dE} v f(\vec{v}) d^3\vec{v}$$

v_0 parametrises the tail of the VPDF (as it is a velocity dispersion) \Rightarrow effect at low masses on the sensitivity

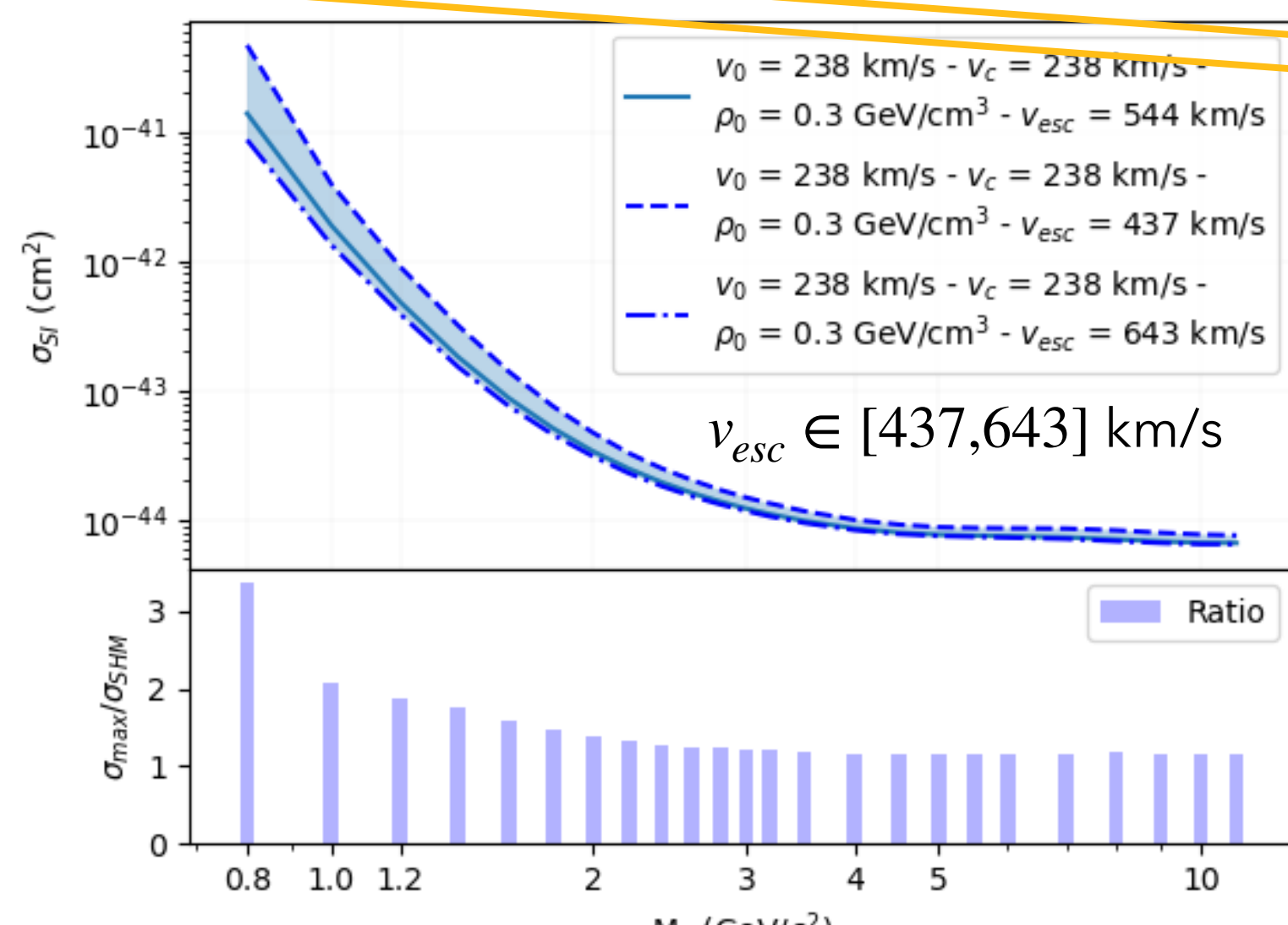
Vary ρ_0



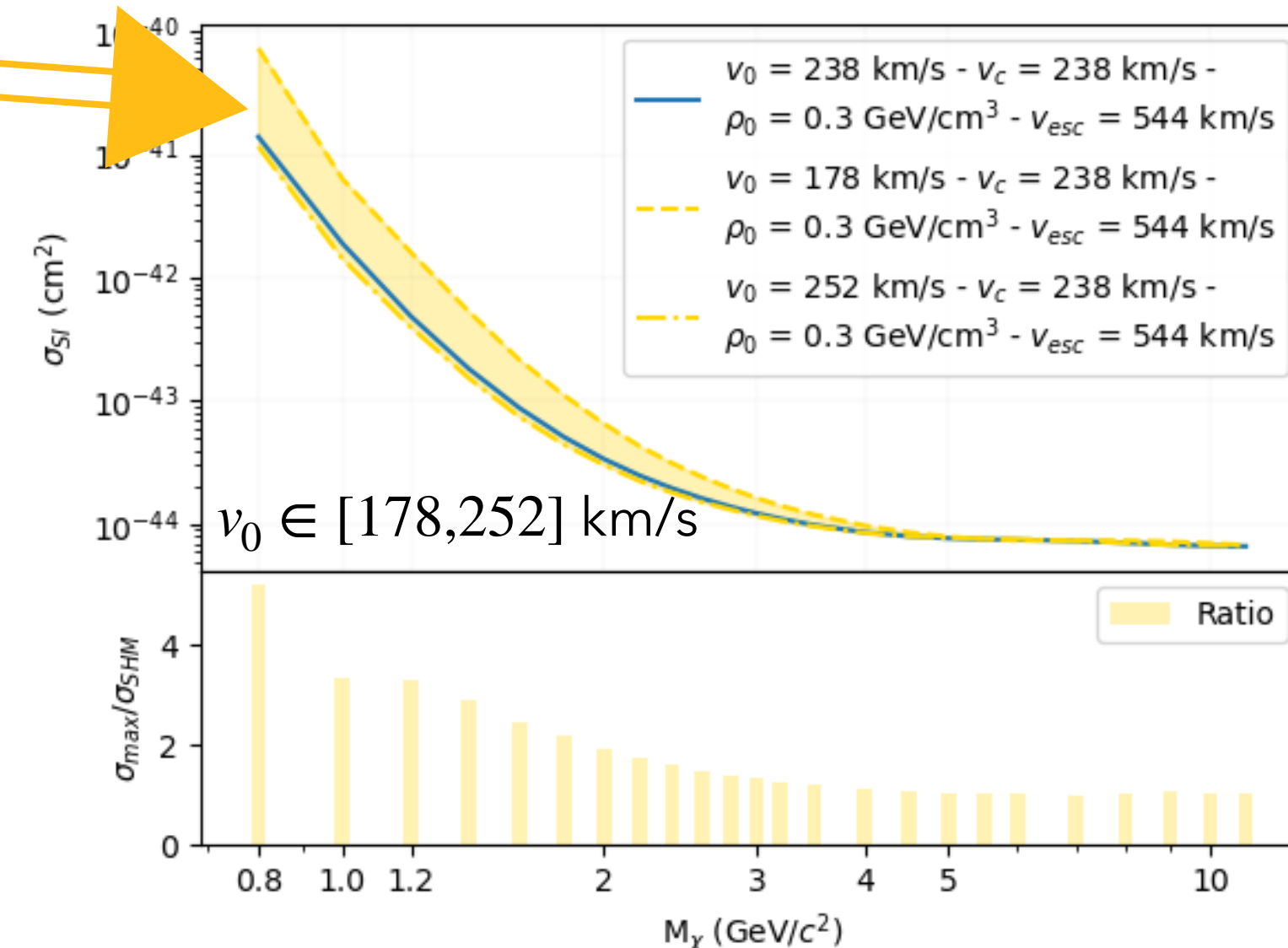
Vary v_c



Vary v_{esc}



Vary v_0



Systematics from DM halo uncertainty: LM case

- Theoretical event rate :

$$\frac{dR}{dE} = \frac{\rho_0}{m_\chi m_A} \int_{v > v_{min}}^{v_{max}} \frac{d\sigma}{dE} v f(\vec{v}) d^3\vec{v}$$

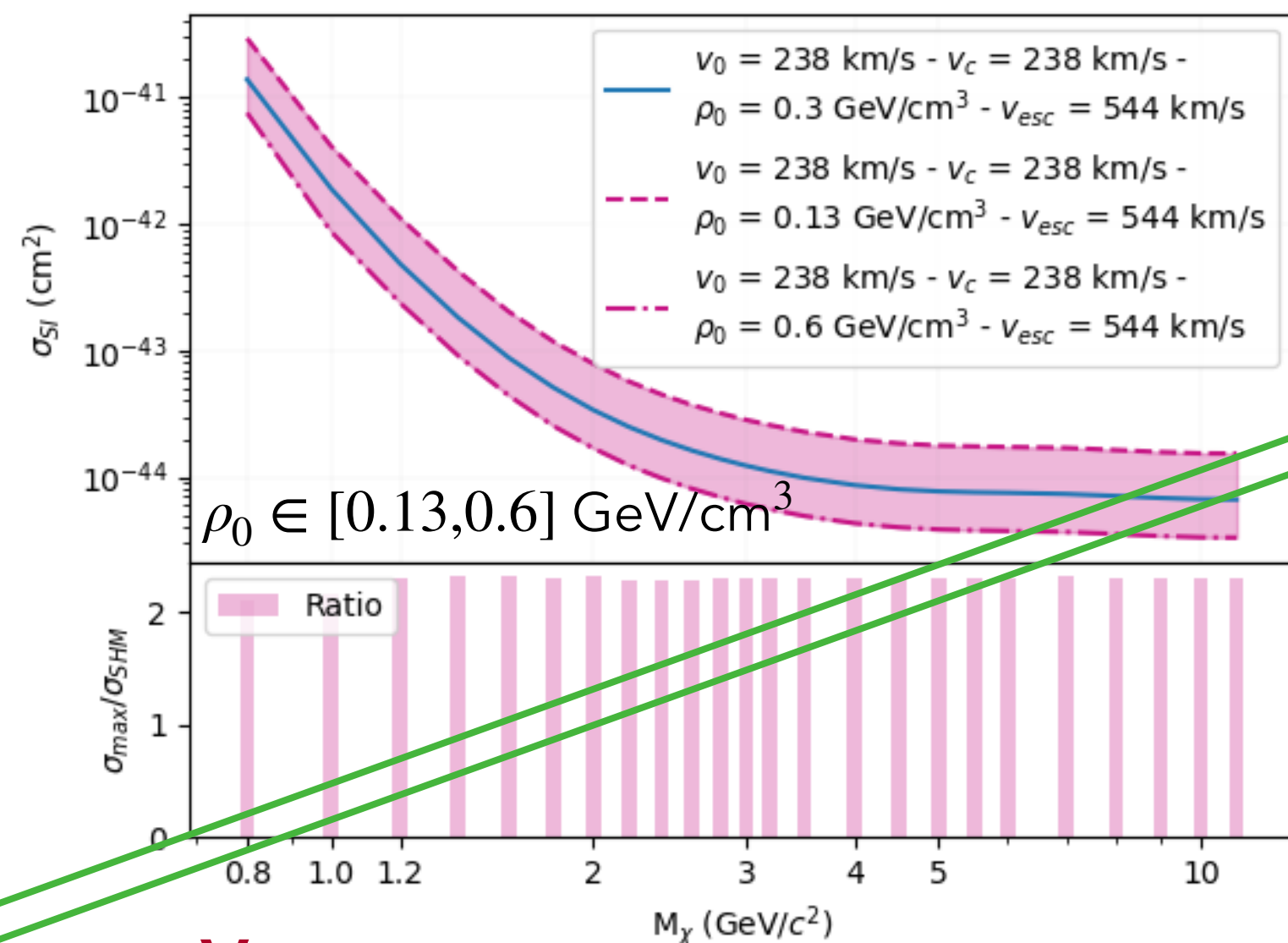
v_c parametrises the tail of the VPDF and the change of frame
 \Rightarrow effect at all (but mostly low) masses on the sensitivity

$$\vec{v}_{\chi/\oplus} = \vec{v}_{\chi/gal} - \vec{v}_{\oplus}(t) \leftarrow v_c \text{ in } \vec{v}_{\oplus}(t)$$

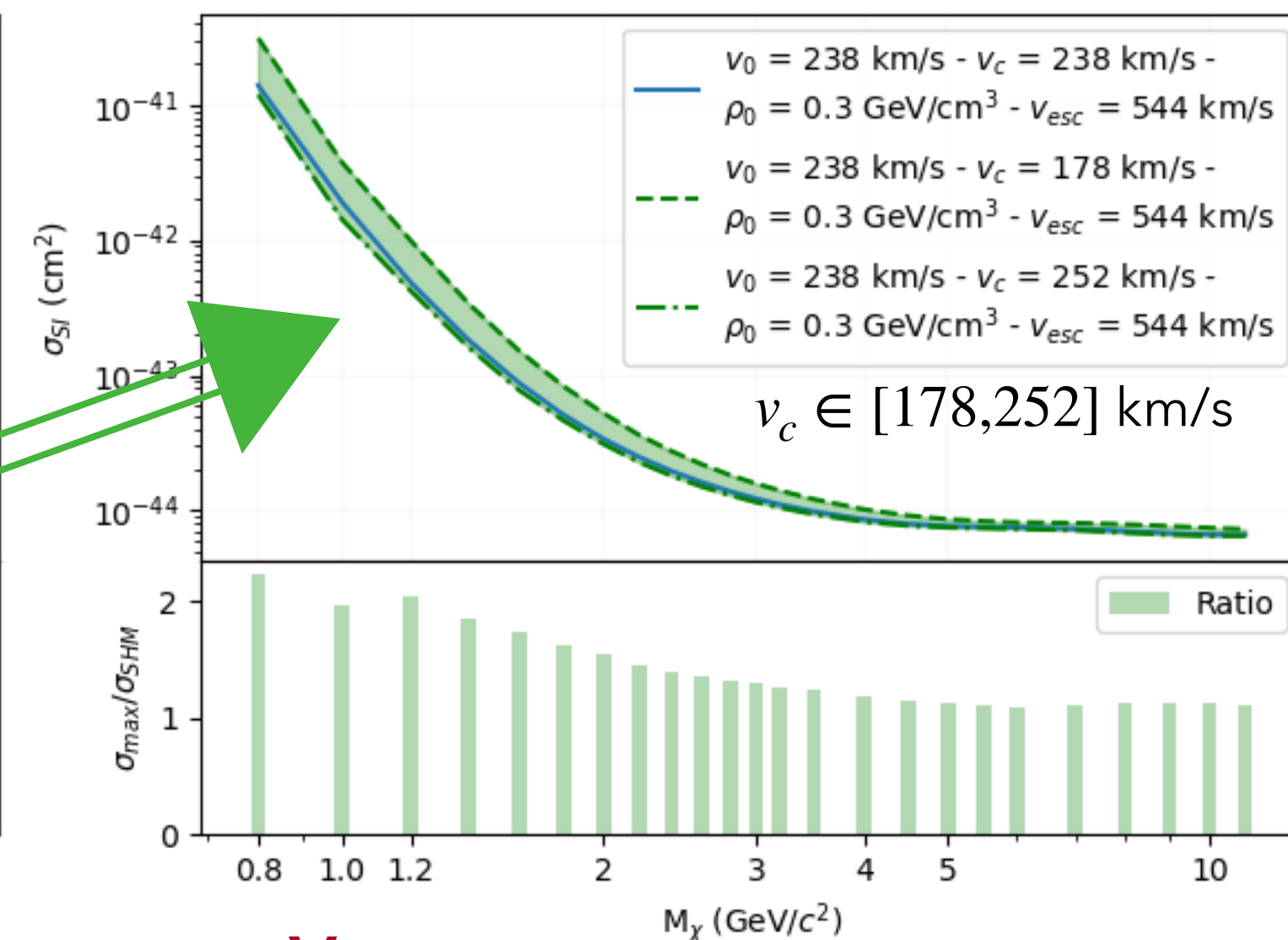
$$v_{min}(E_{th}, m_\chi, M) = v_{esc} + v_c + v_\odot$$

Minimal velocity needed by a WIMP of mass $m_\chi \propto \frac{1}{m_\chi}$ (at low mass)

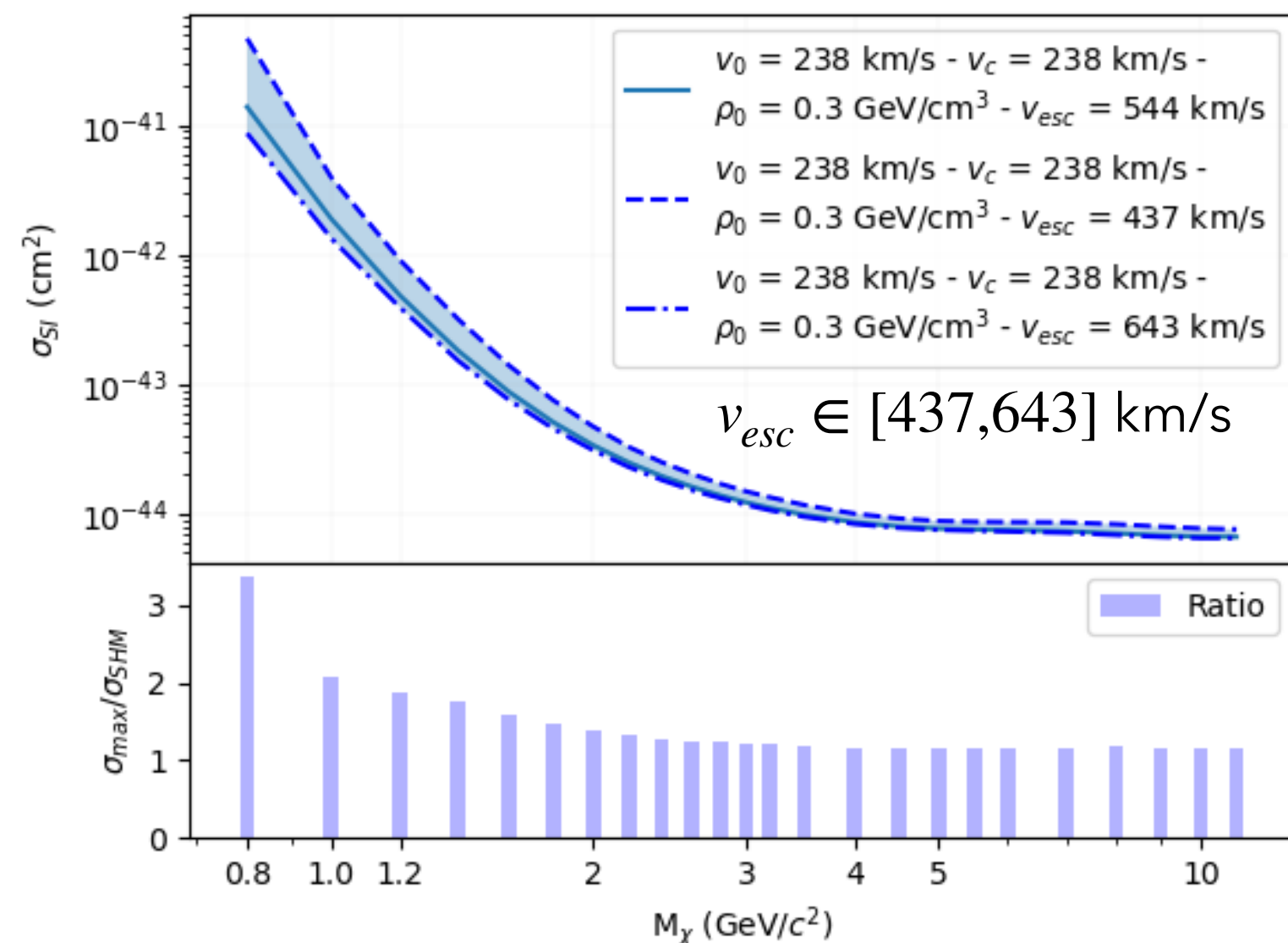
Vary ρ_0



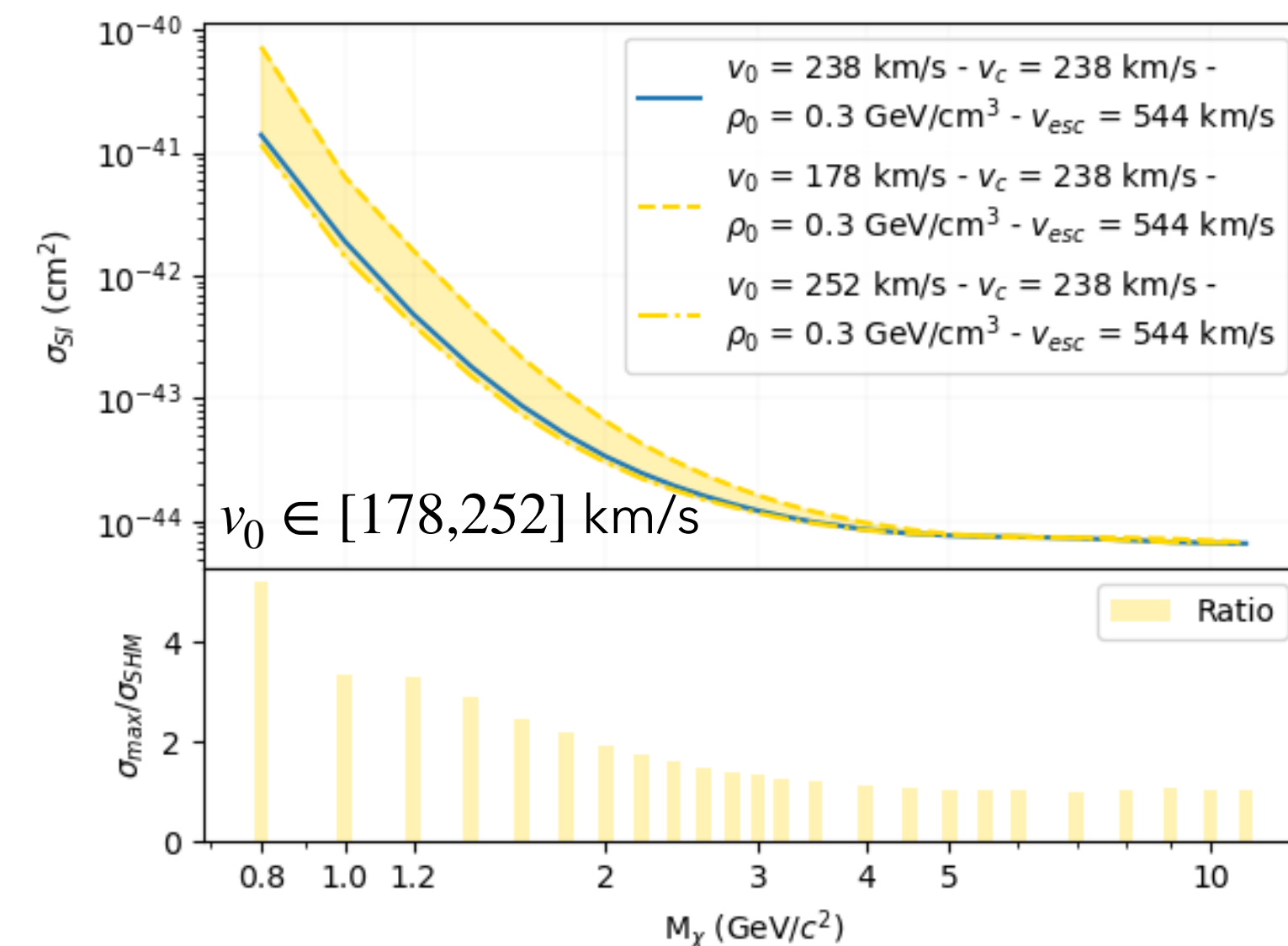
Vary v_c



Vary v_{esc}



Vary v_0



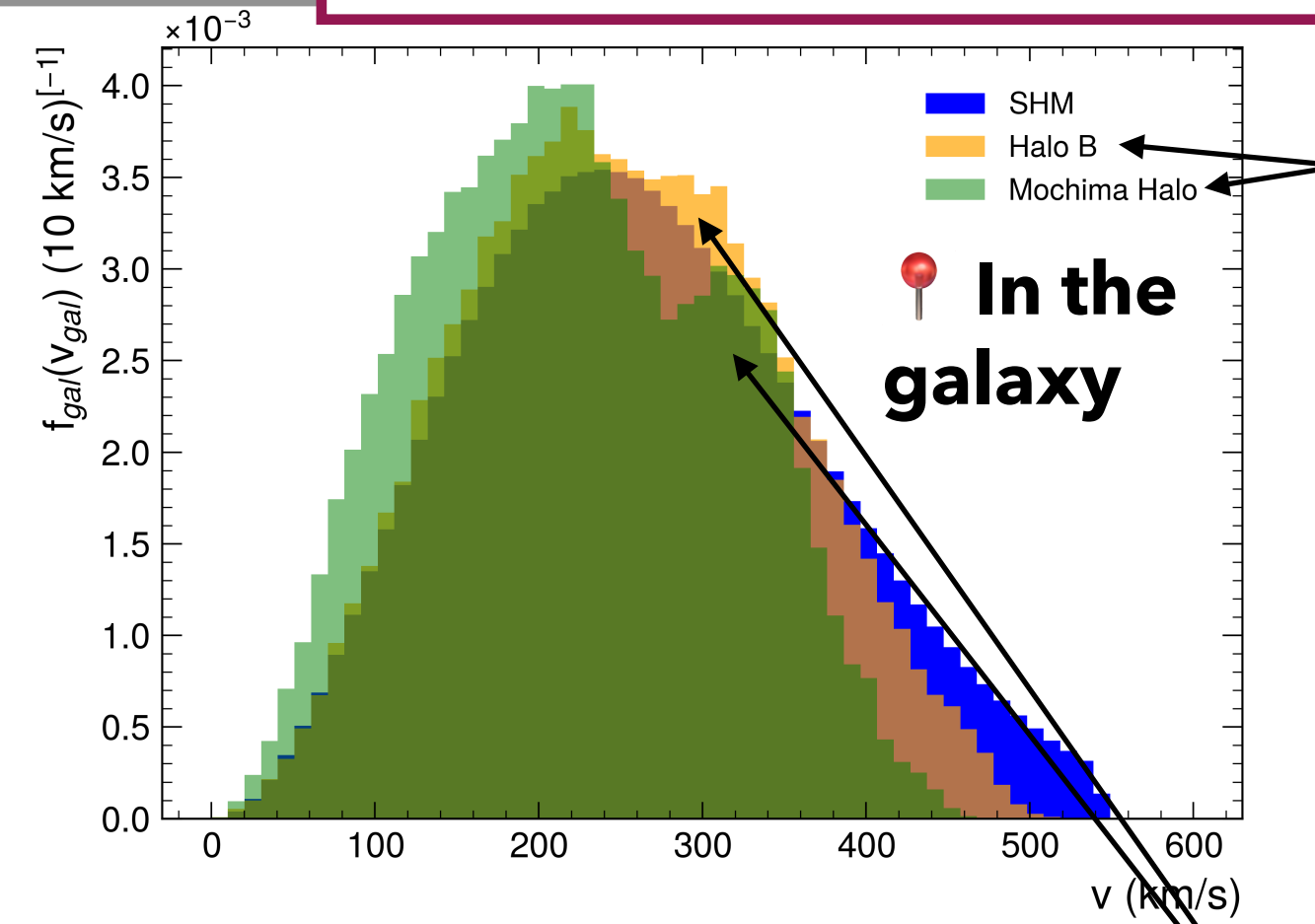
Systematics from DM halo uncertainty: LM case

Theoretical event rate :

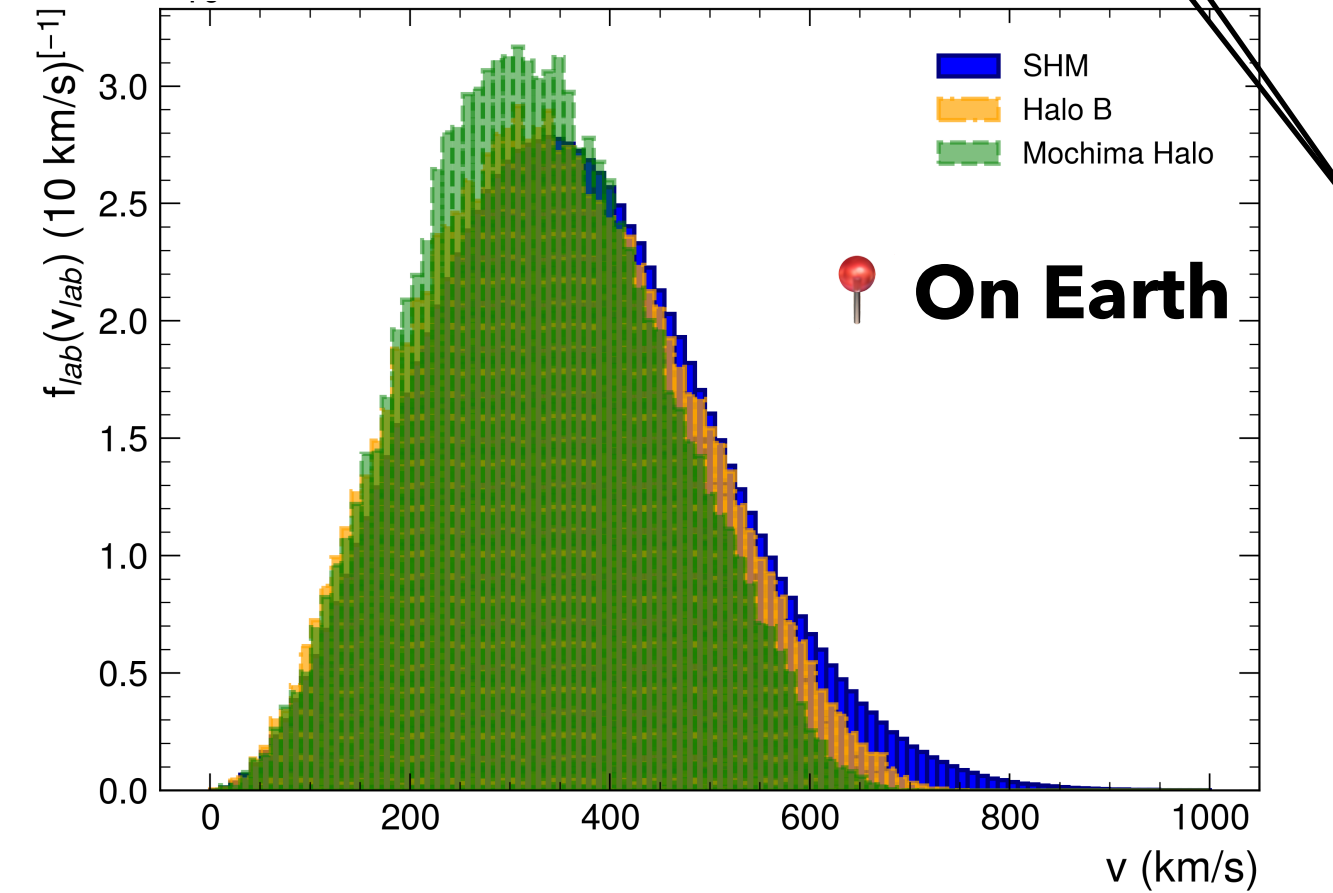
SHM → Maxwellian velocity distribution

$$\frac{dR}{dE} = \frac{\rho_0}{m_\chi m_A} \int_{v > v_{min}}^{v_{max}} \frac{d\sigma}{dE} v f(\vec{v}) d^3\vec{v}$$

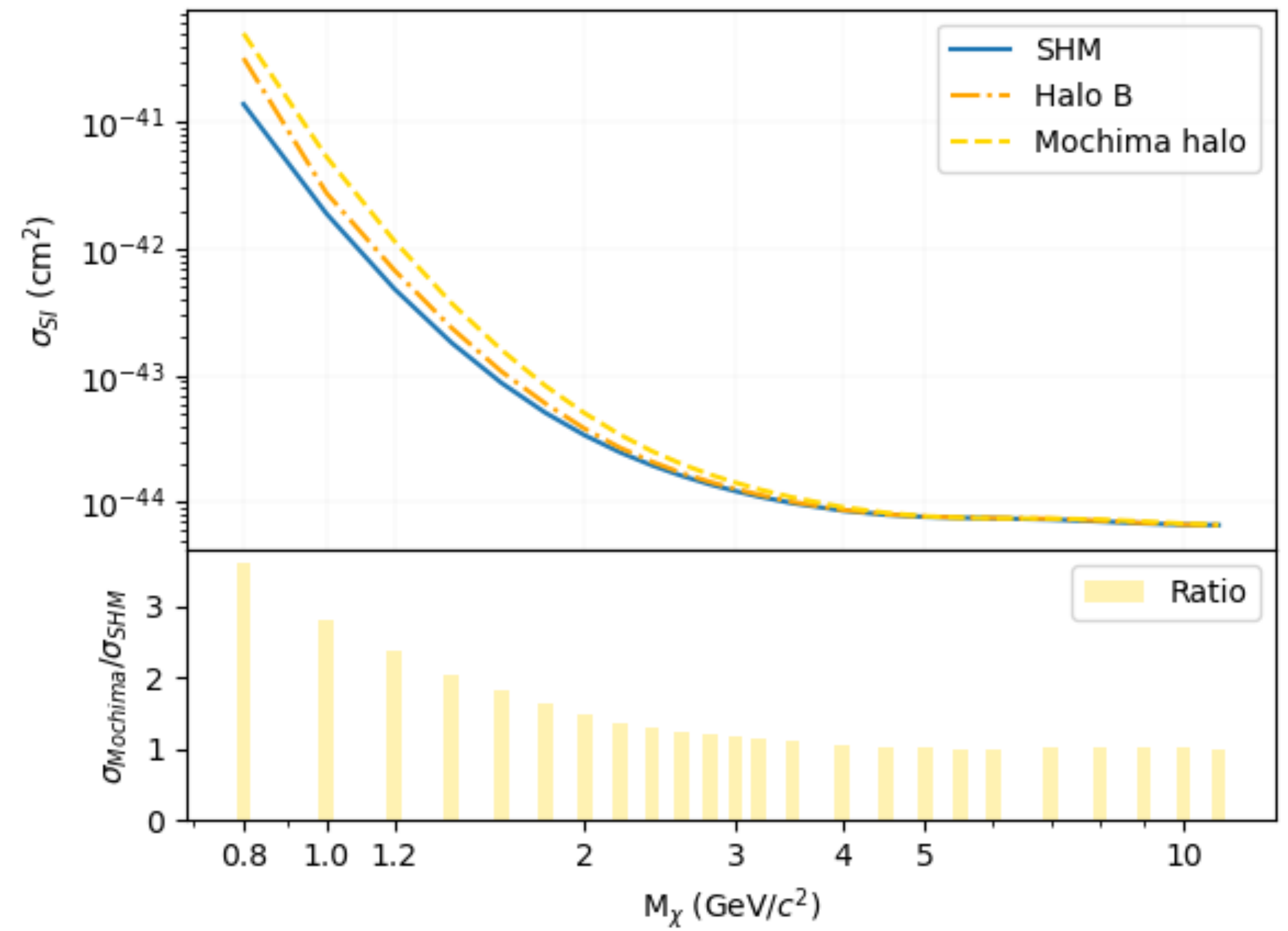
Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. 447 (2015)



DM haloes of Milky-Way-like galaxies derived from DM+baryon cosmological simulations



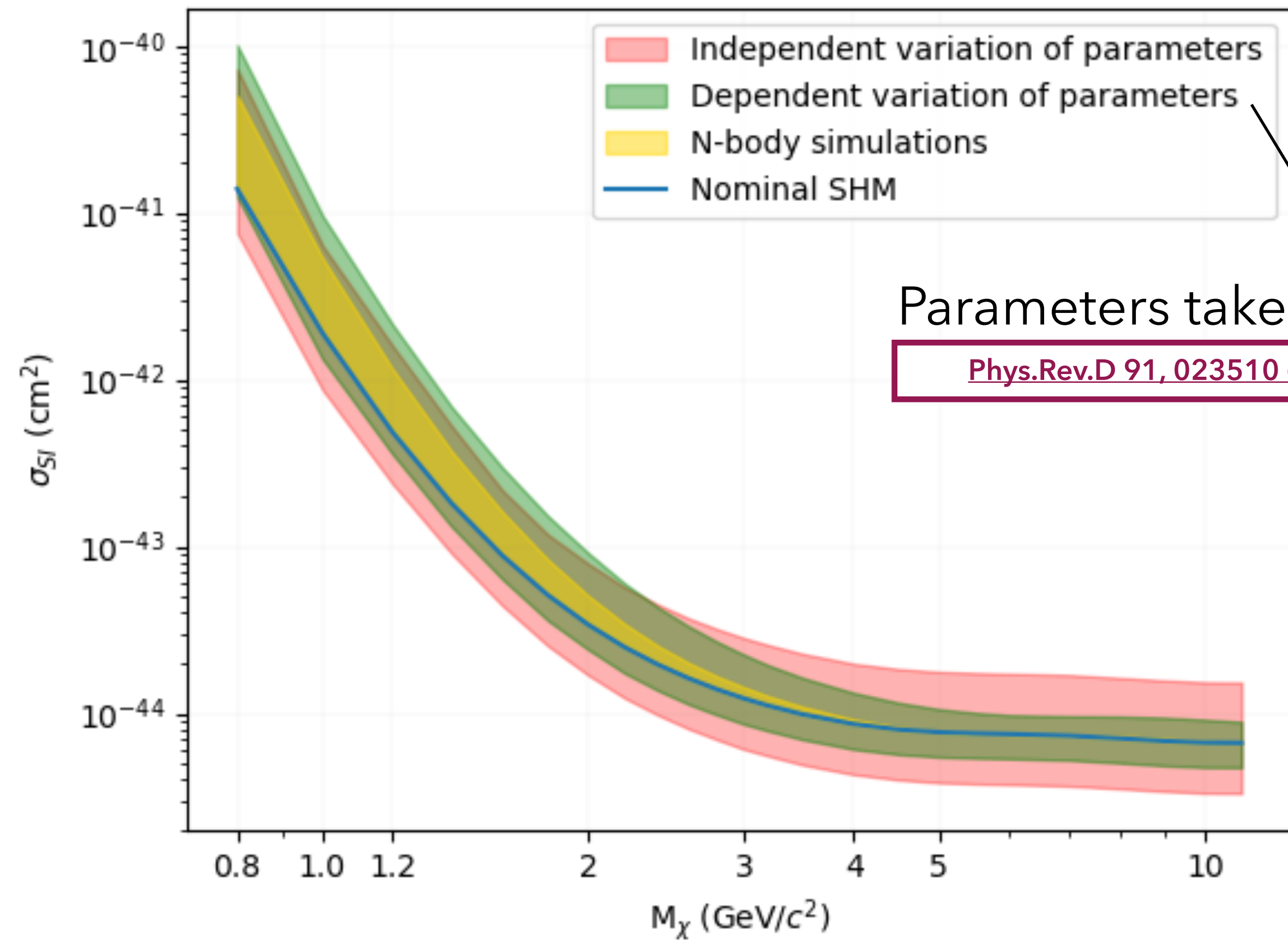
Bumps resulting from non-linearities in the history of the halo formation



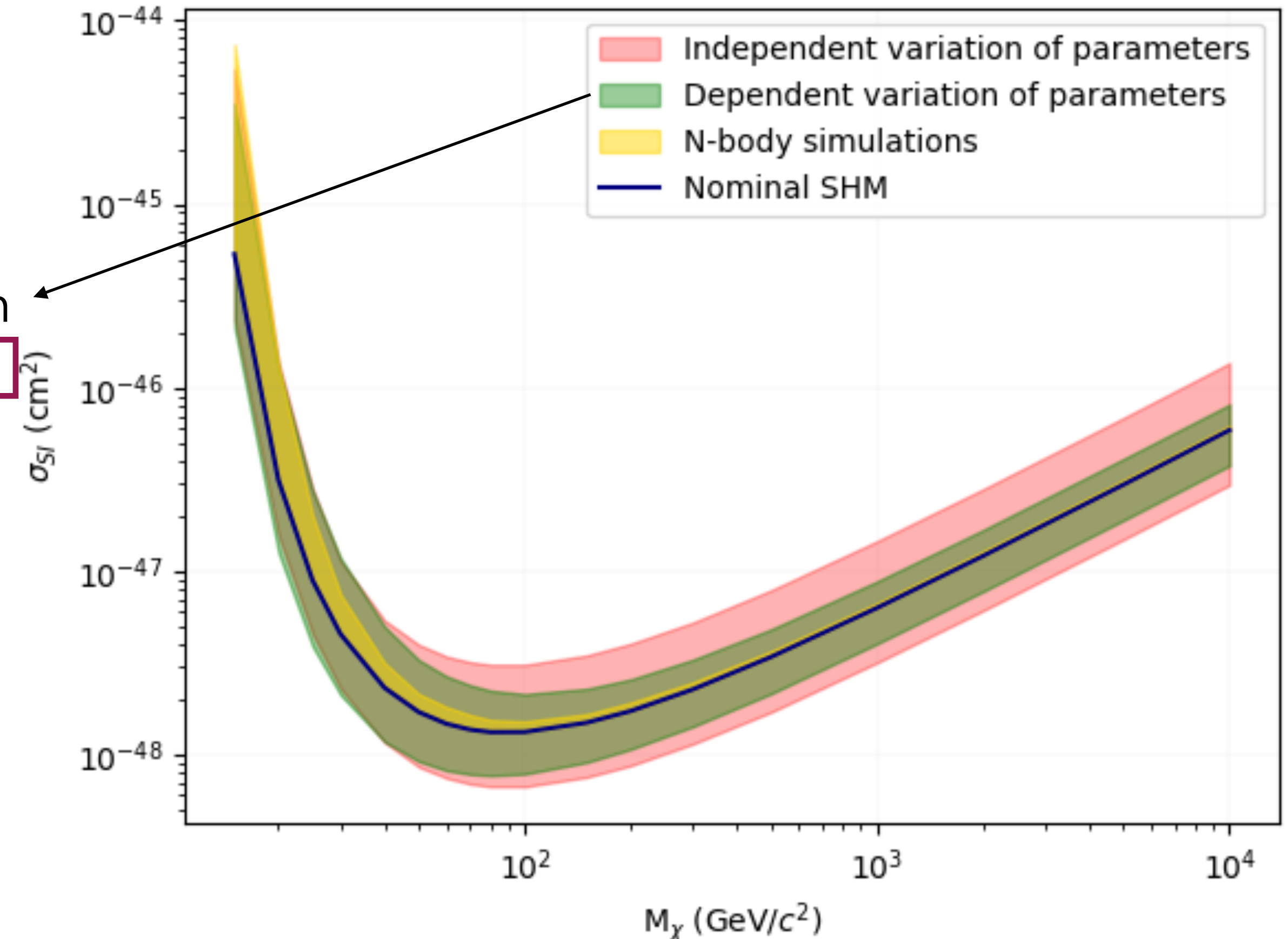
SHM = least conservative model
 With SHM, up to 3.6x (at 800 MeV) better sensitivity

Systematics from DM halo uncertainty

All effects at low mass



All effects at high mass



Parameters taken from

[Phys.Rev.D 91, 023510 \(2015\)](#)

Same overall behaviour at low and high mass

Conclusions

I took part in the preparation of DarkSide-20k before commissioning

Detector

- First simulations of the TPC calibration
- Calibration feasibility tests with mock ups

Contribution 1

Contribution 2

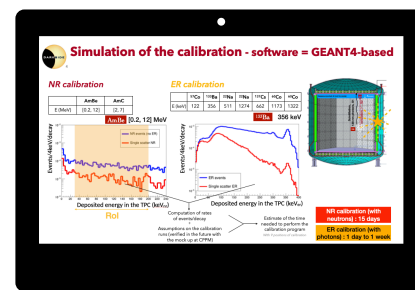
Physics potential

- First assessment of DarkSide-20k sensitivity to light dark matter particles
 - **Paper submitted** to Nature Communications
- Brings a new front-row scientific opportunity to DarkSide-20k

Contribution 3

Phenomenology

- Estimate of the impact of the galactic dark matter halo uncertainties on the sensitivities of DS-20k



Conclusions

I took part in the preparation of DarkSide-20k before commissioning

Detector

- First simulations of the TPC calibration
- Calibration feasibility tests with mock ups

What's next?

- Construction and commissioning
- Calibration
- High quality data collection

Contribution 1

Contribution 2

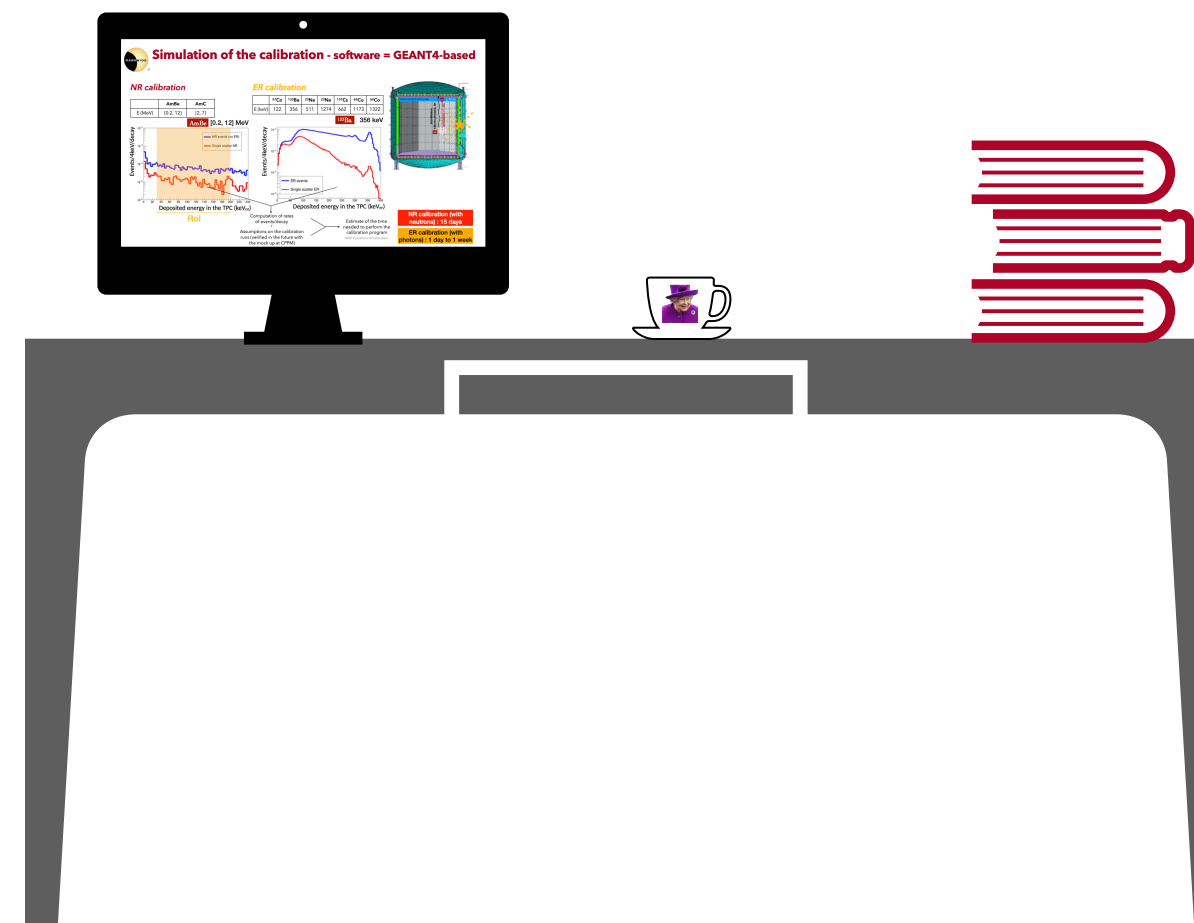
Physics potential

- First assessment of DarkSide-20k sensitivity to light dark matter particles
 - **Paper submitted** to Nature Communications
- Brings a new front-row scientific opportunity to DarkSide-20k

Contribution 3

Phenomenology

- Estimate of the impact of the galactic dark matter halo uncertainties on the sensitivities of DS-20k



Conclusions

I took part in the preparation of DarkSide-20k before commissioning

Detector

- First simulations of the TPC calibration
- Calibration feasibility tests with mock ups

What's next?

- Construction and commissioning
- Calibration
- High quality data collection



Physics potential

Assessment of DarkSide-20k
sensitivity to light dark matter

Submitted to Nature
Communications

Secure front-row scientific
access to DarkSide-20k

Phenomenology

- Estimate of the impact of the galactic dark matter halo uncertainties on the sensitivities of DS-20k



Thank you for your attention

Back-up slides

DS-20k

Calibration
Simus

Calibration
Tests

Low mass

Signal
systematics

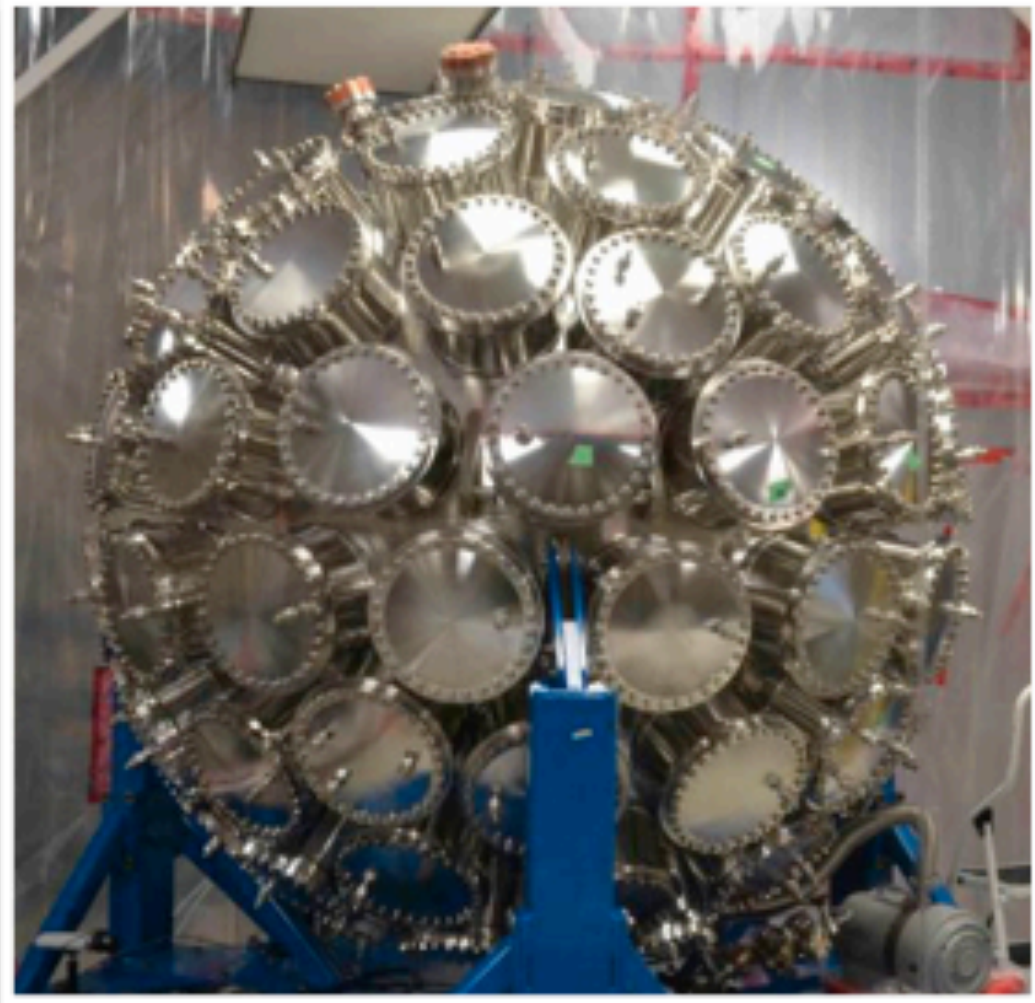


The DarkSide programme

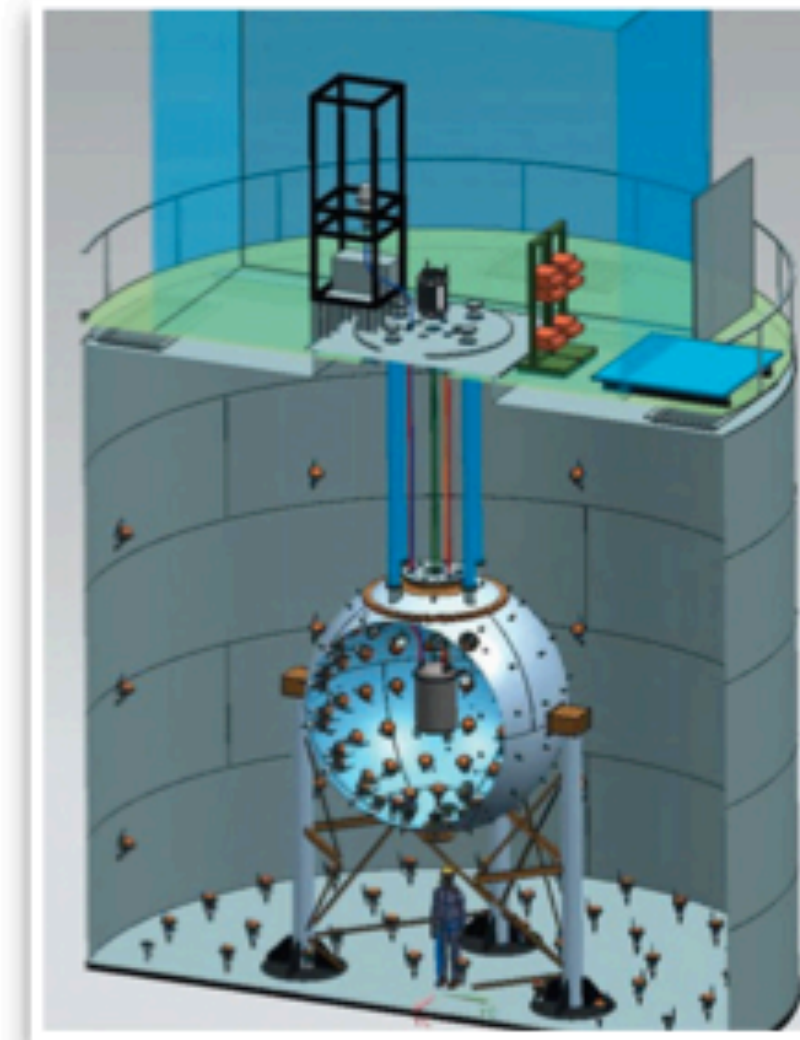
GADMC

Back up

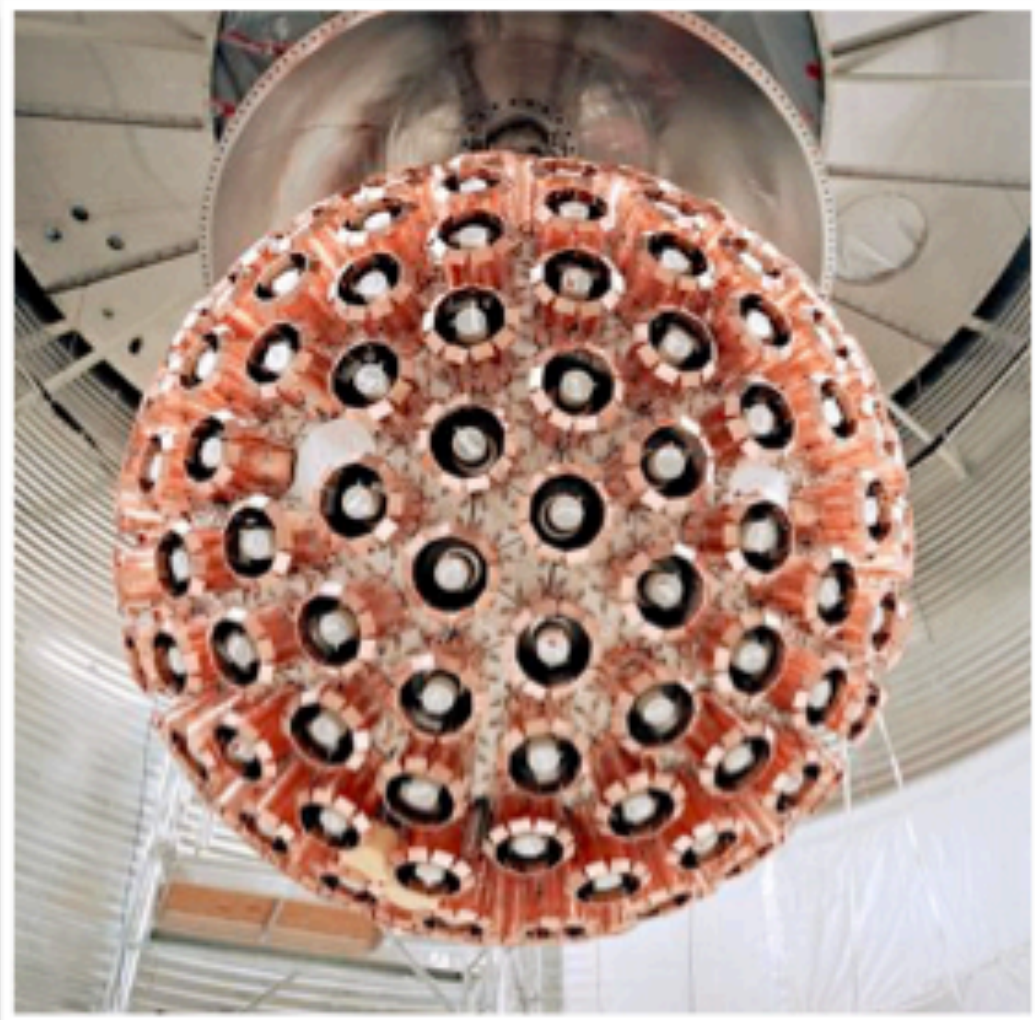
69



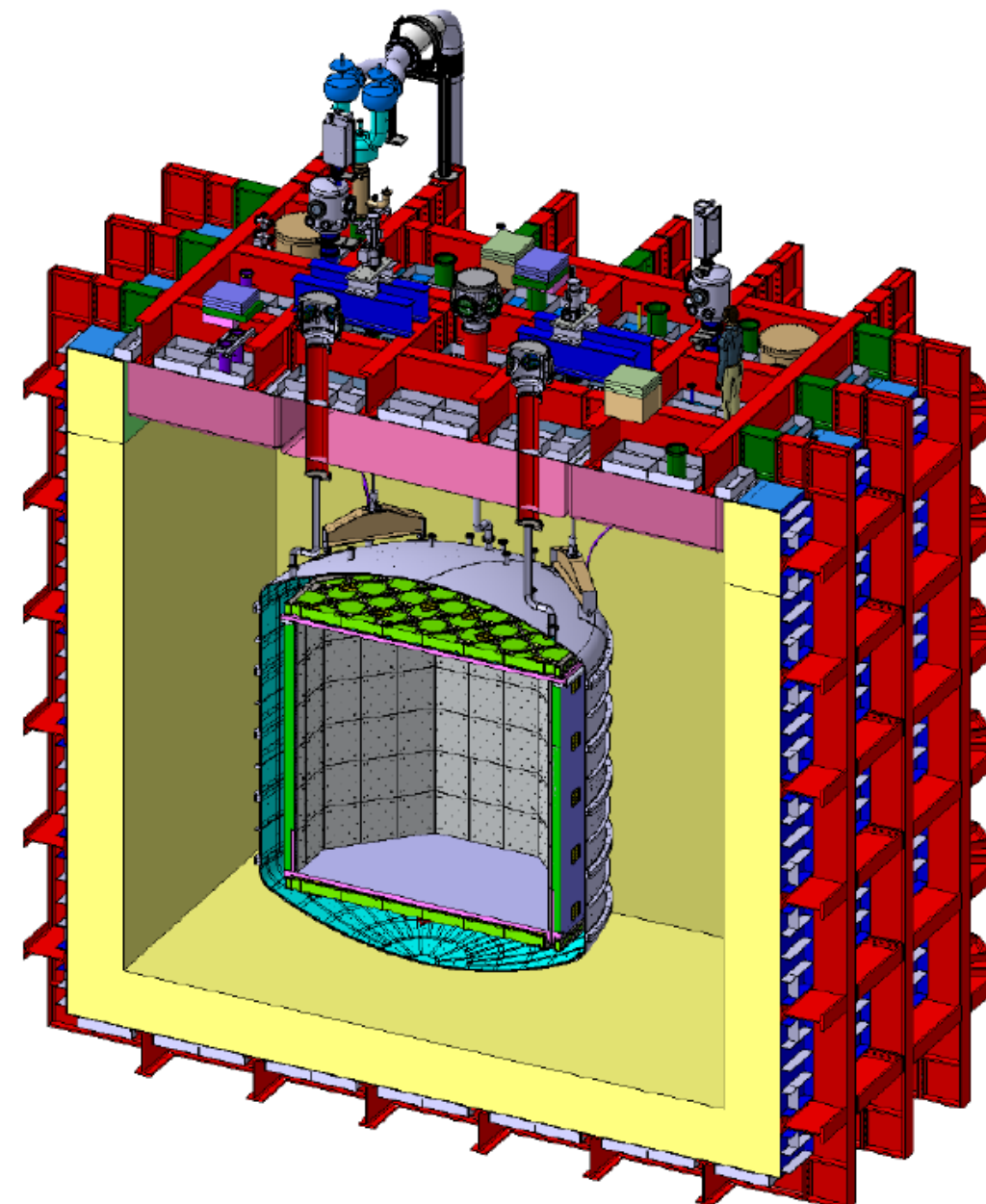
MiniCLEAN @Snolab



DarkSide-50 @LNGS



DEAP @Snolab

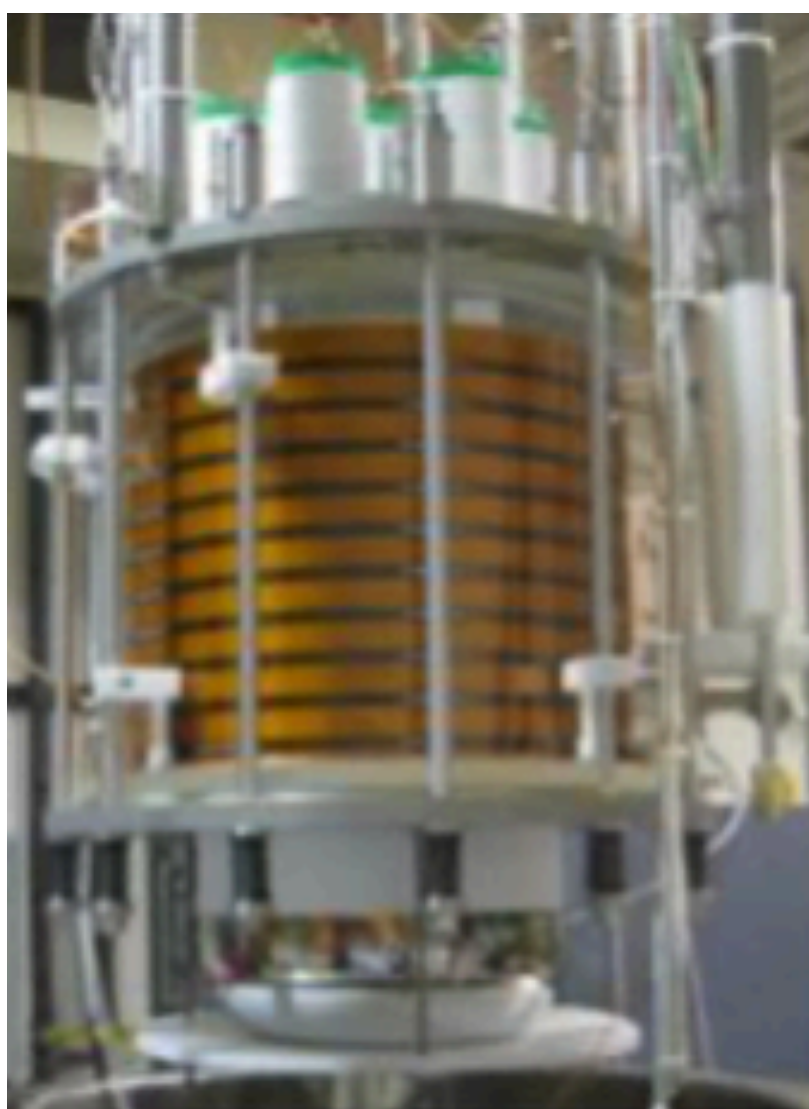


ArDM @Canfranc

DarkSide programme

2011-2012

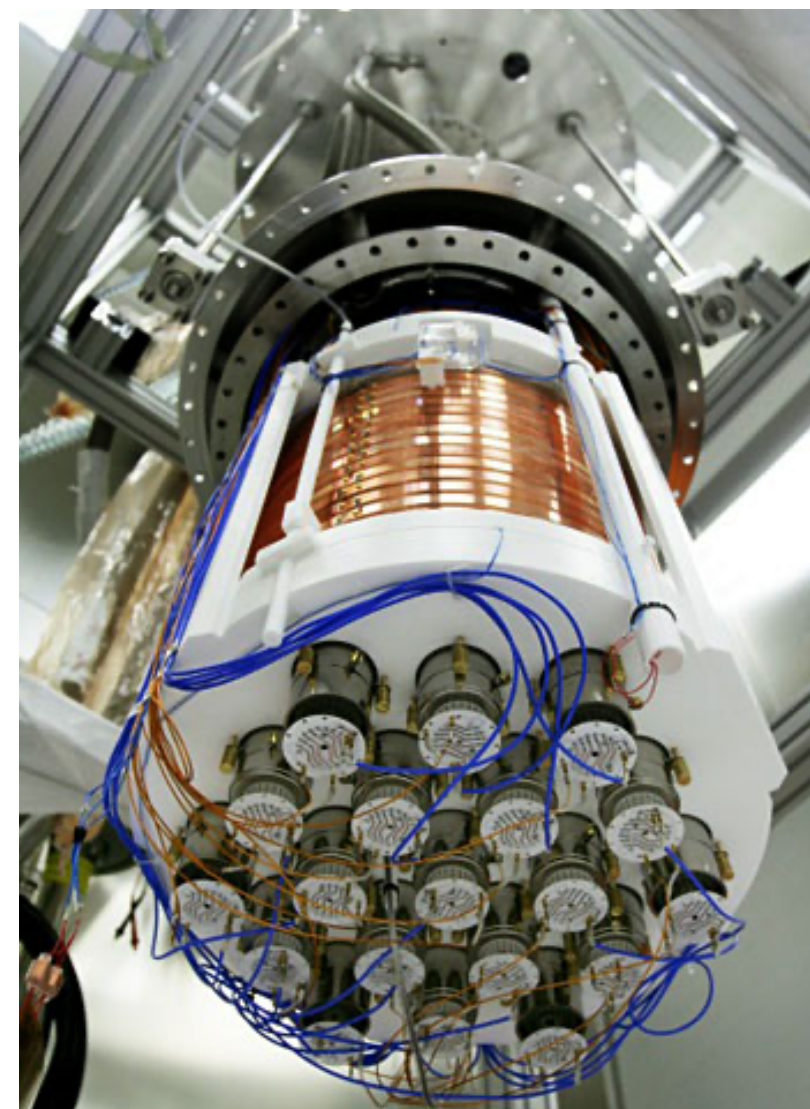
DarkSide-10



- Prototype with ~10kg of atmospheric argon
- No dark matter search goal

2013-2021

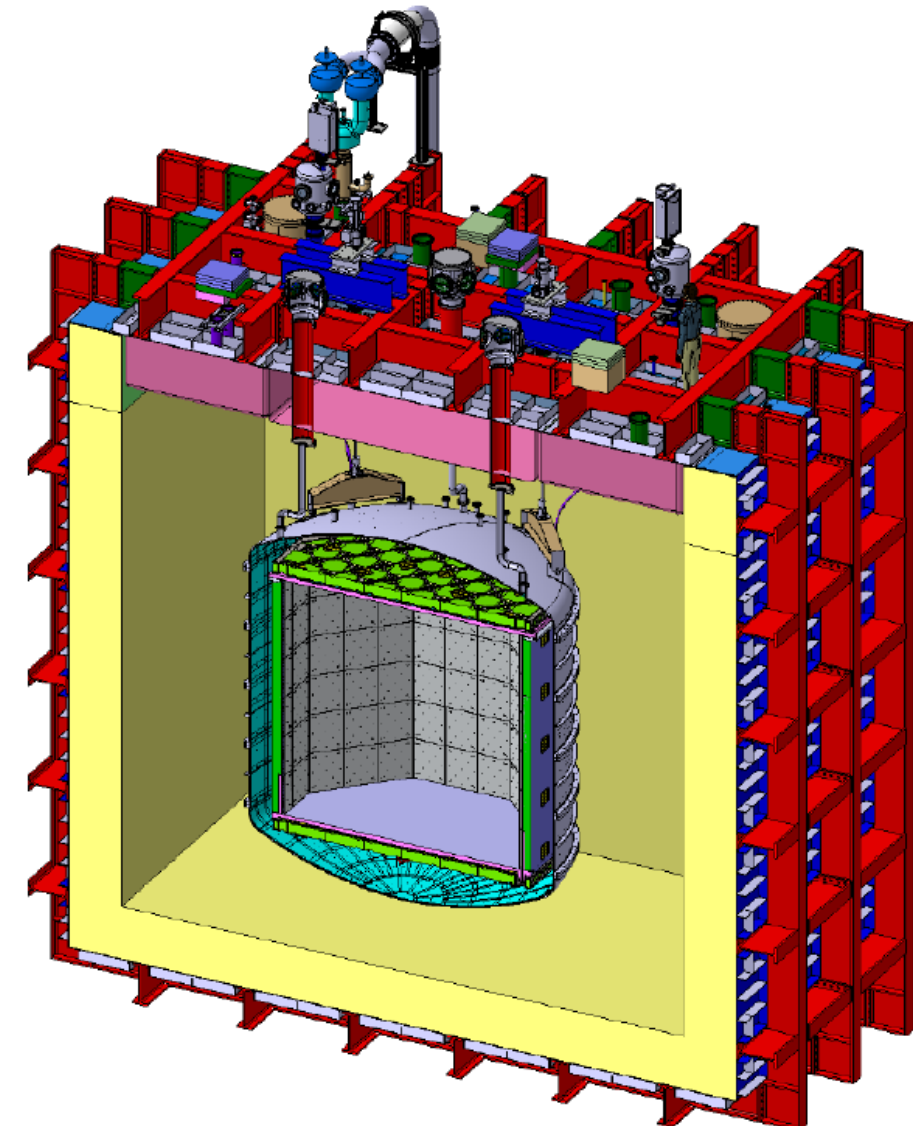
DarkSide-50



- ~50kg UAr for the 2nd run
- $(12\,306 \pm 184)$ kg.day exposure
- Best limit at low WIMP mass in [1.2, 3.6]GeV
- Best limits for other LDM candidates

2027-2037

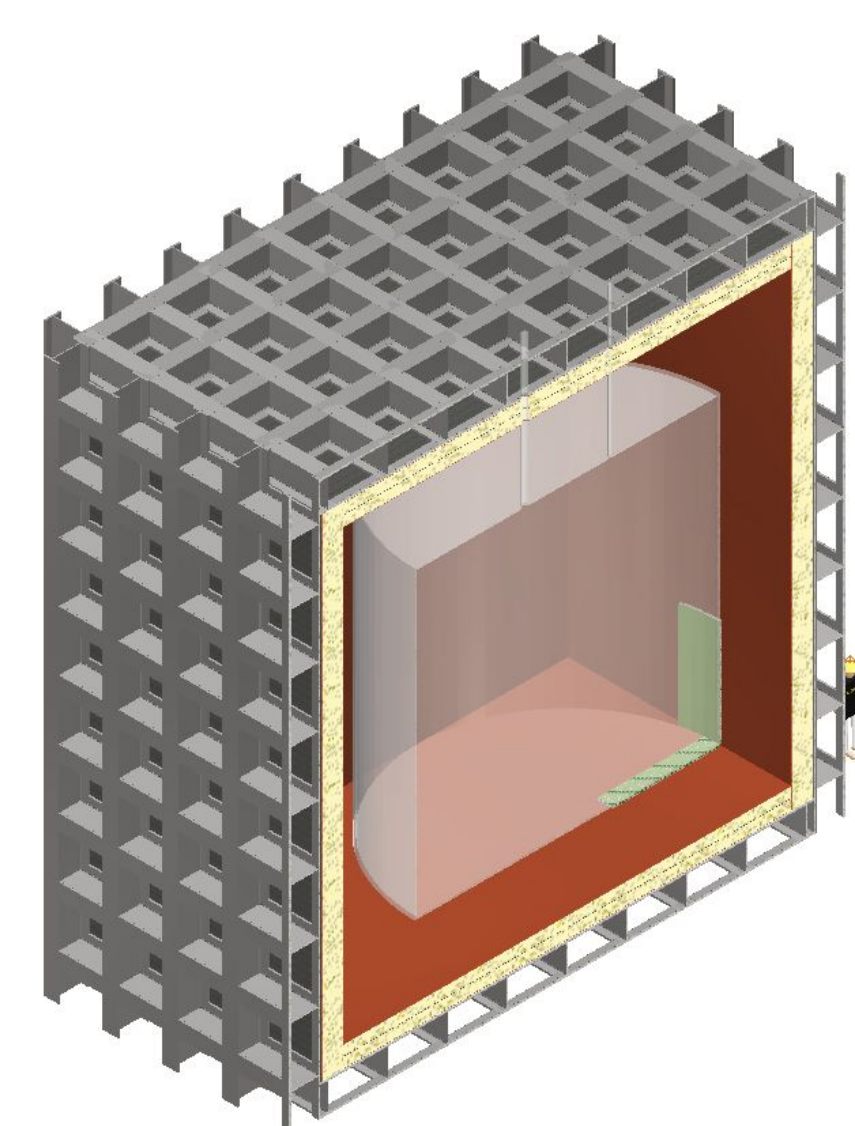
DarkSide-20k



- ~50t UAr in the TPC
- 32t UAr in the neutron veto / 650t Aar in the muon veto
- Novel photosensor technology
- Nominal exposure = 200 t.yr

> 2030s

ARGO

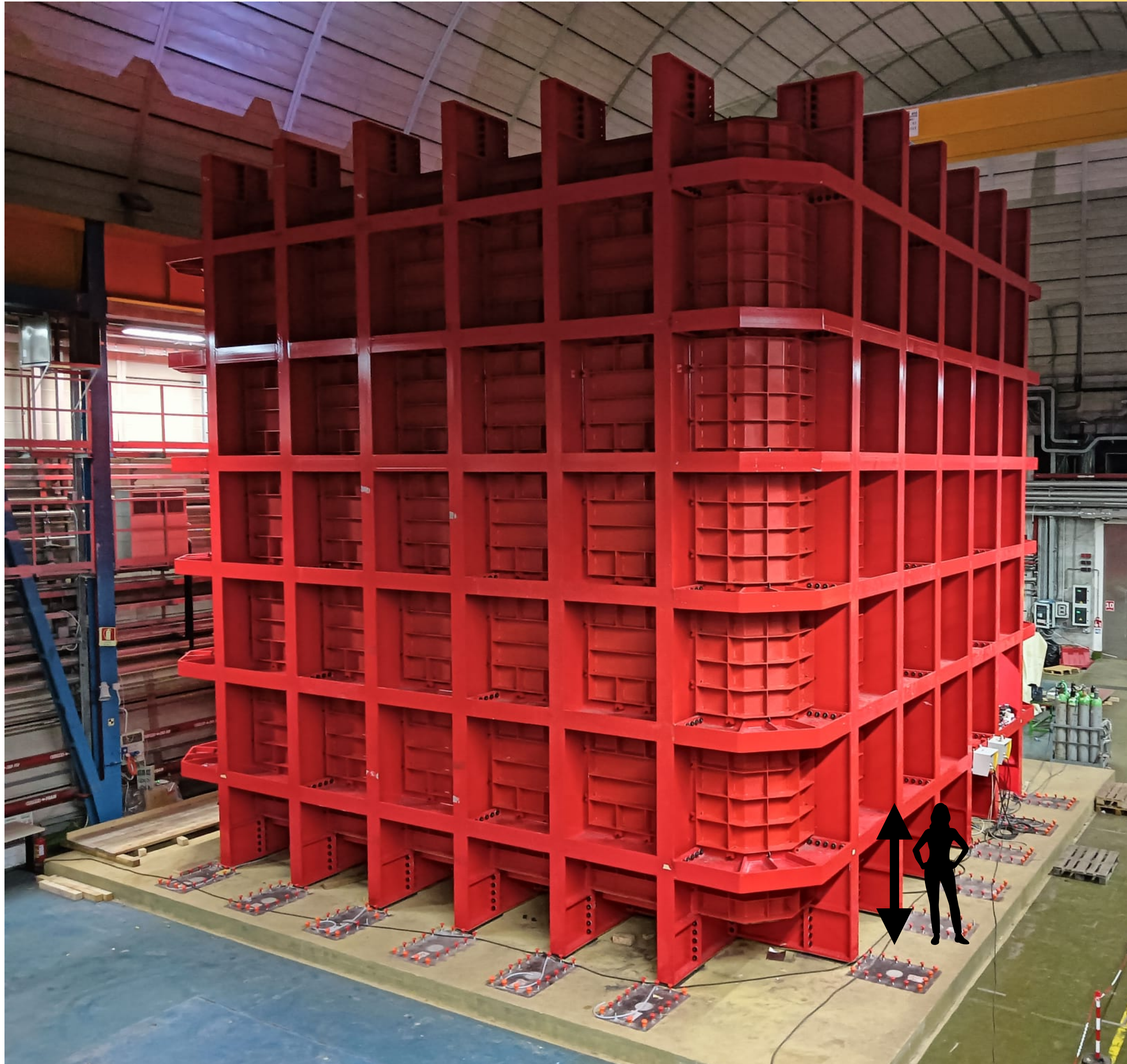


- Ultimate Ar detector
- Nominal exposure = 3000 t.yr
- Will be designed to reach the neutrino fog at high mass

The DarkSide-20k experiment

📍 LNGS (Hall-C)

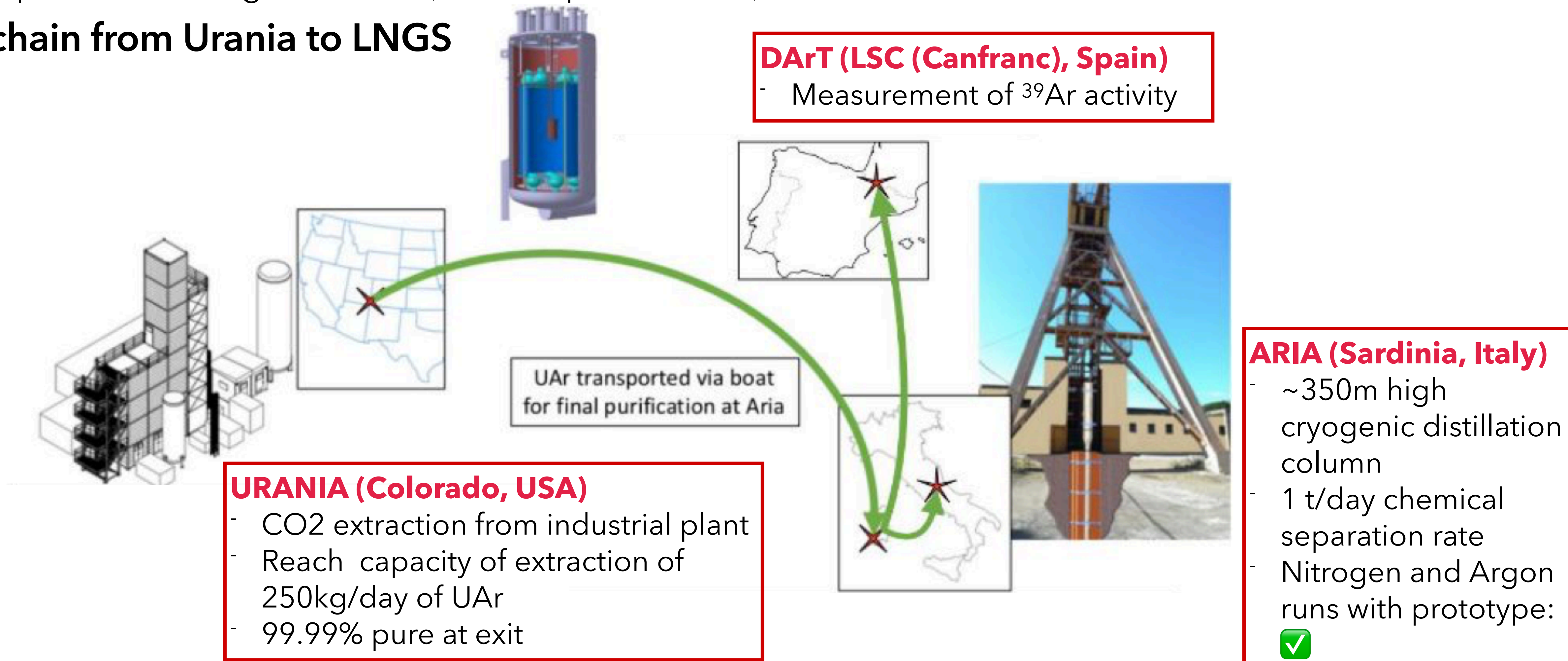
→ Currently under construction



DarkSide-20k and ^{39}Ar

- Most abundant source of argon: atmosphere
- Ar isotopes: ^{40}Ar (stable) and ^{39}Ar (β^- emitter)
- Atmospheric ^{40}Ar is cosmogenically activated by cosmic rays: $\sim 1\text{ Bq/kg}$ in AAr
- ^{40}Ar present in underground wells (1400x depleted in ^{39}Ar) of CO_2 in Colorado, USA → **used for DS50 and DS20k**

UAr chain from Urania to LNGS





Simulation of the TPC calibration

Calibration strategy - Time estimation - Computation

- Time computation:** Take into account the ratio of "all events" over gold plated events

- First: let's compute the time needed to reach 10 000 calibration points:

- If the activity of the source doesn't saturate at 100 kBq:

$$Time_{A < 100kBq}^{10^4 pts} = \frac{Nb - points}{DAQ - frequency} = \frac{10^4 pts}{100hz} = 100 s$$

- If the activity of the source does saturate at 100 kBq, then the time has to be normalized by the rate of "all" events that saturate the DAQ:

$$Time_{A=100kBq}^{10^4 pts} = \frac{Nb - points}{Rate - of - all - events} \cdot \frac{1}{Activity} = \frac{10^4 pts}{8.8 \cdot 10^{-4} events/decay} \cdot \frac{1}{100 \cdot 10^3 Bq} = 114 s$$

- Second: Multiply this time to the ratio of the rate of all the events occurring in the TPC over the rate of GP events: $Time^{1position} = Time^{10^4 pts} \cdot \frac{Rate - of - all - events}{Rate - of - GP}$

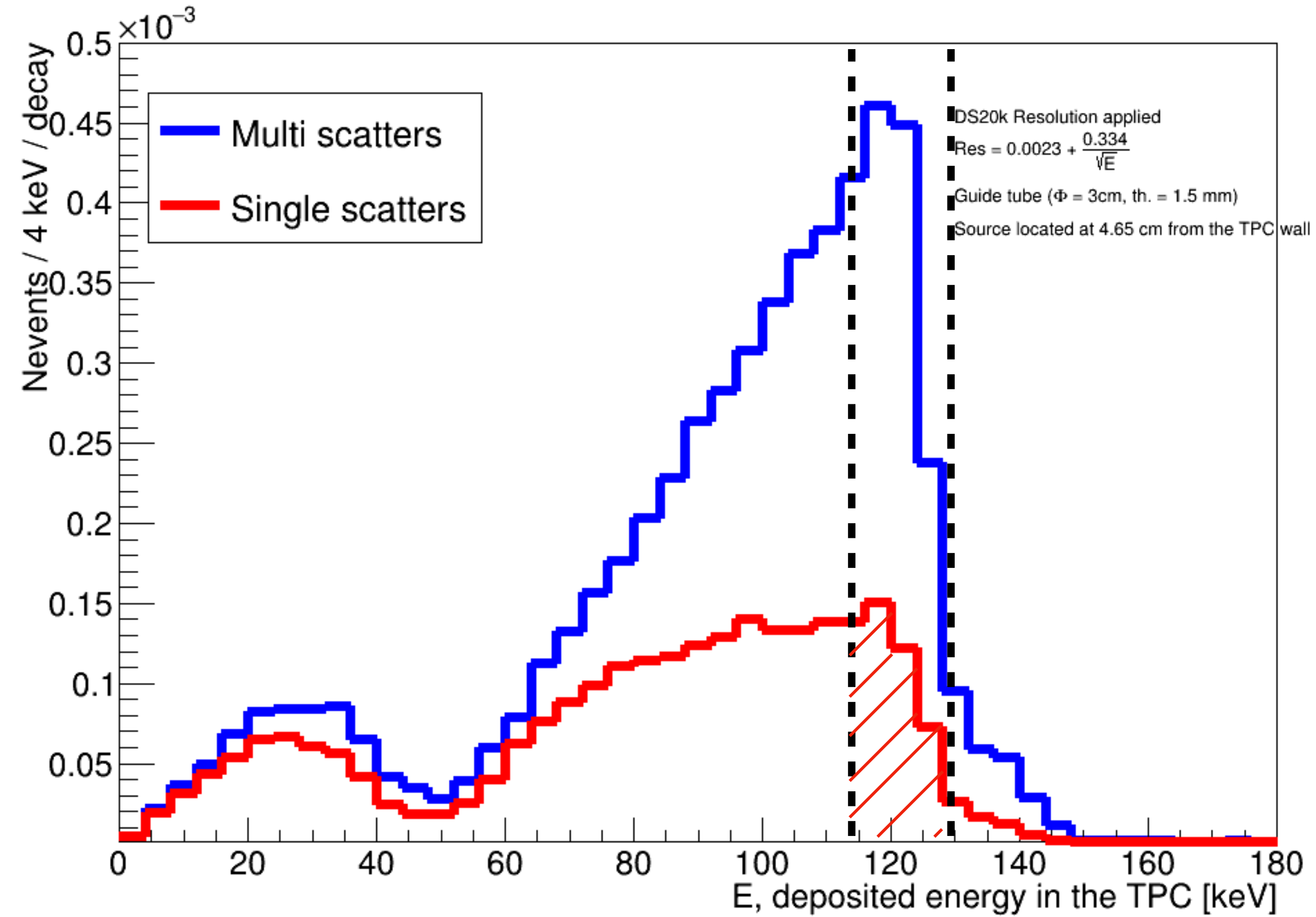
ex of ⁵⁷Co (side): $Time^{1position} = 100s \cdot \frac{5.7 \cdot 10^{-3}}{6.2 \cdot 10^{-4}} = 919 s = 0.25h$

- To finish : The time needed for one source is the sum of the handling time and the time needed on the side * 6 positions and the time needed at the bottom * 3 positions: $Time^{source} = 6 * Time_{side}^{1position} + 3 * Time_{bottom}^{1position}$

ex of ⁵⁷Co: $Time^{57Co} = 3.67 + 6 * 0.38 + 3 * 0.52 = 7.5h = 0.3day$

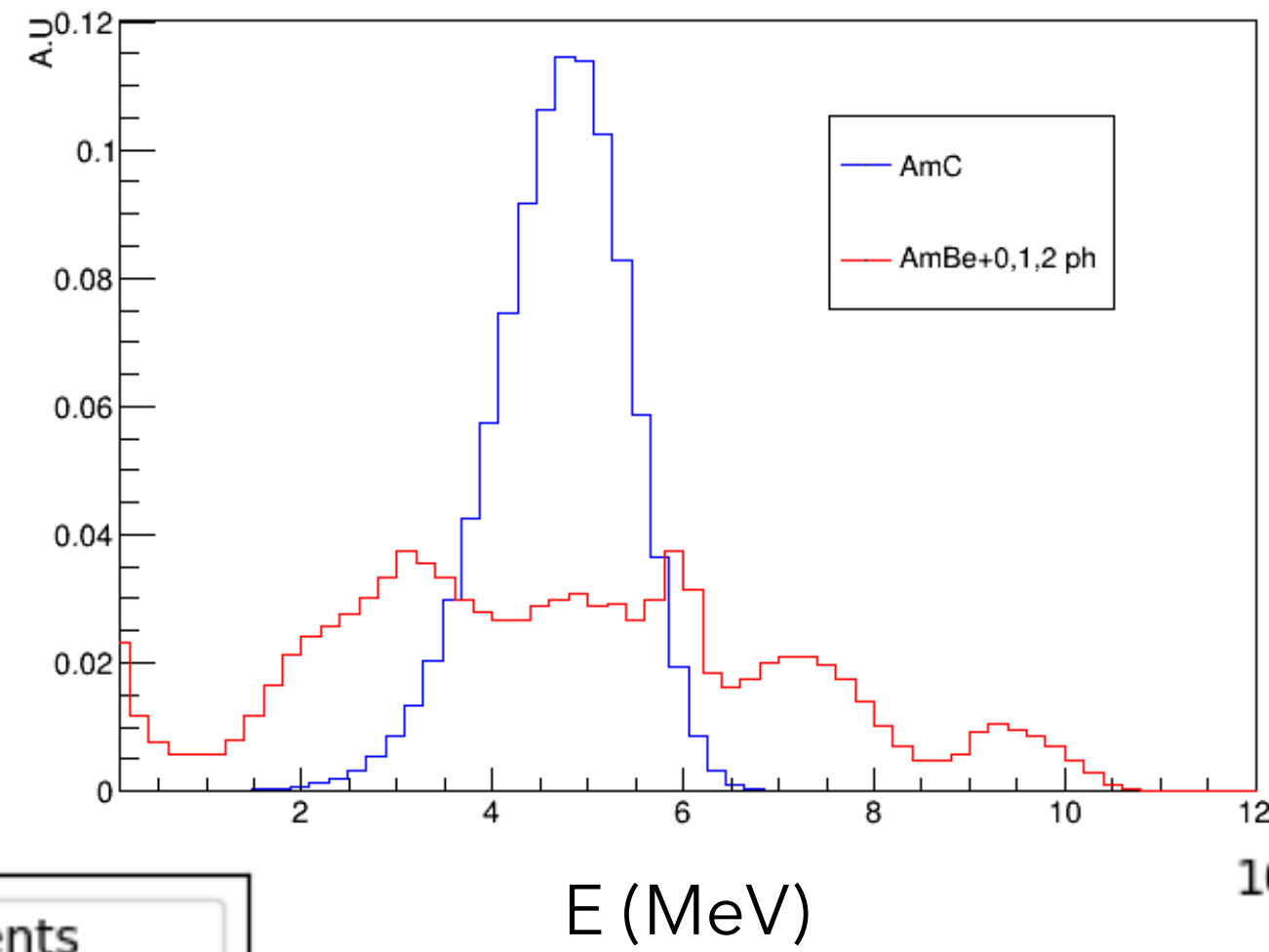
Co57

⁵⁷Co simulation in the DS20k TPC



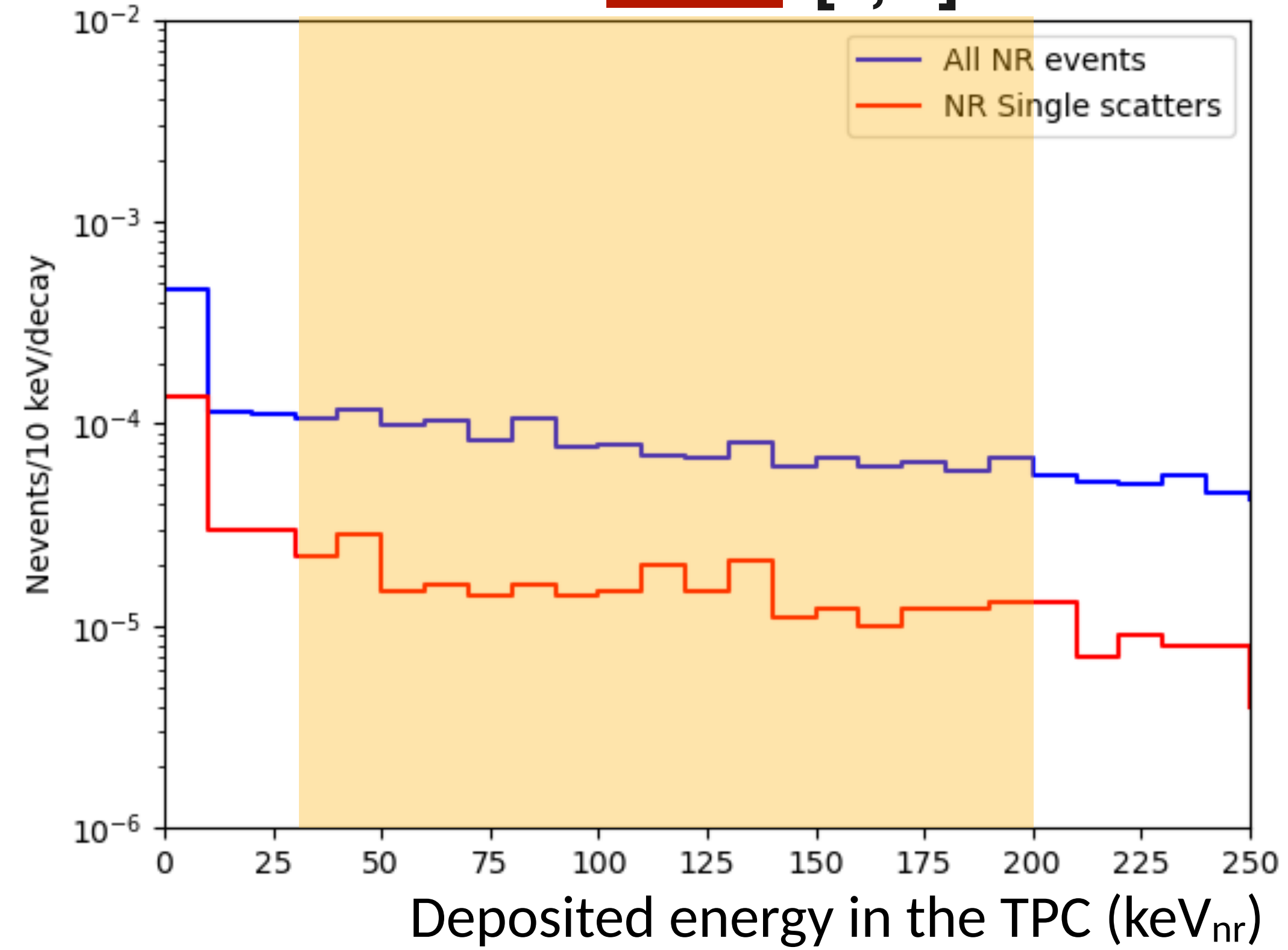
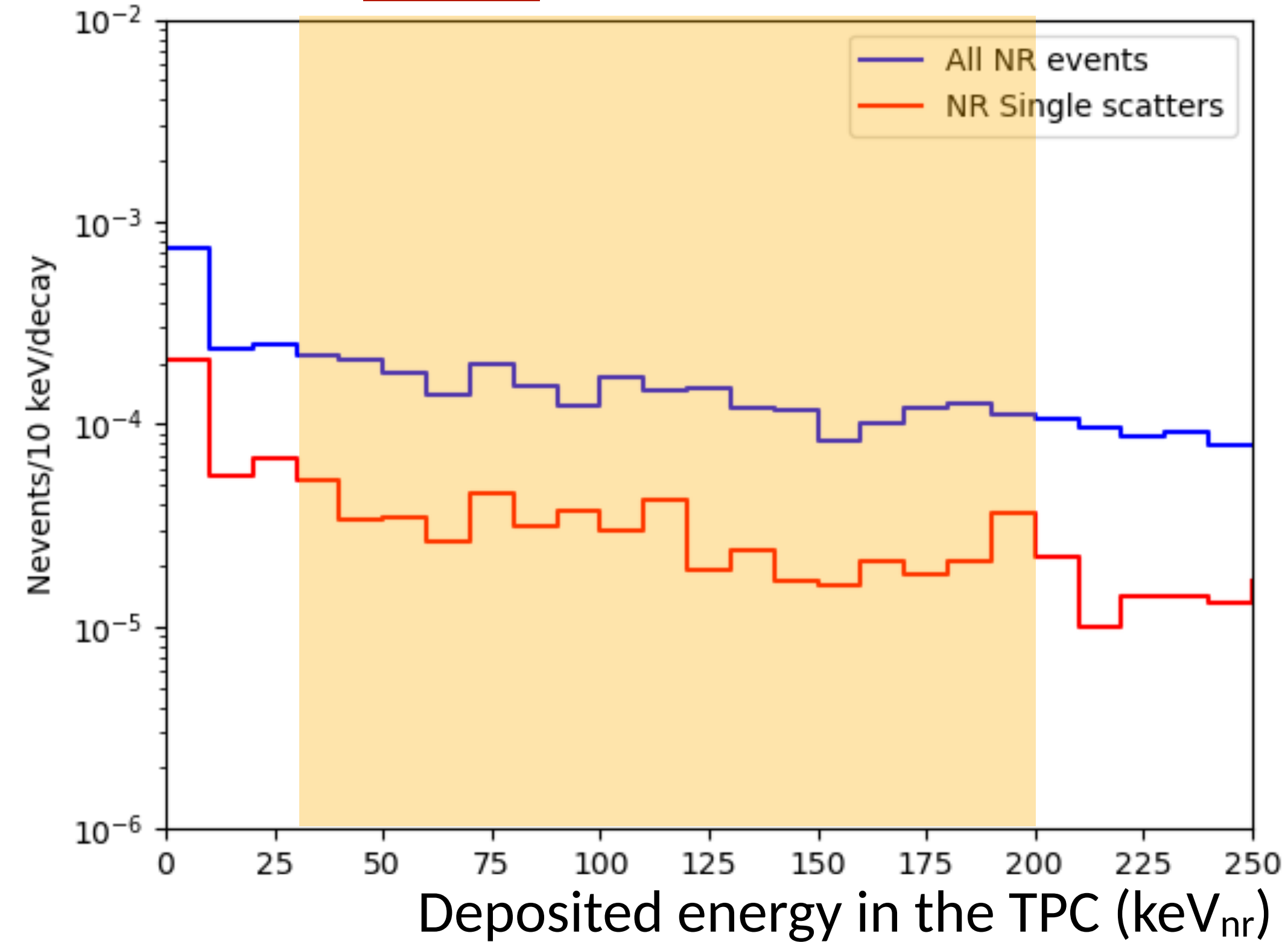
Simulation of the calibration - all NR sources spectra

Back up



AmBe [0.2, 12] MeV

AmC [2, 7] MeV



RoI

RoI

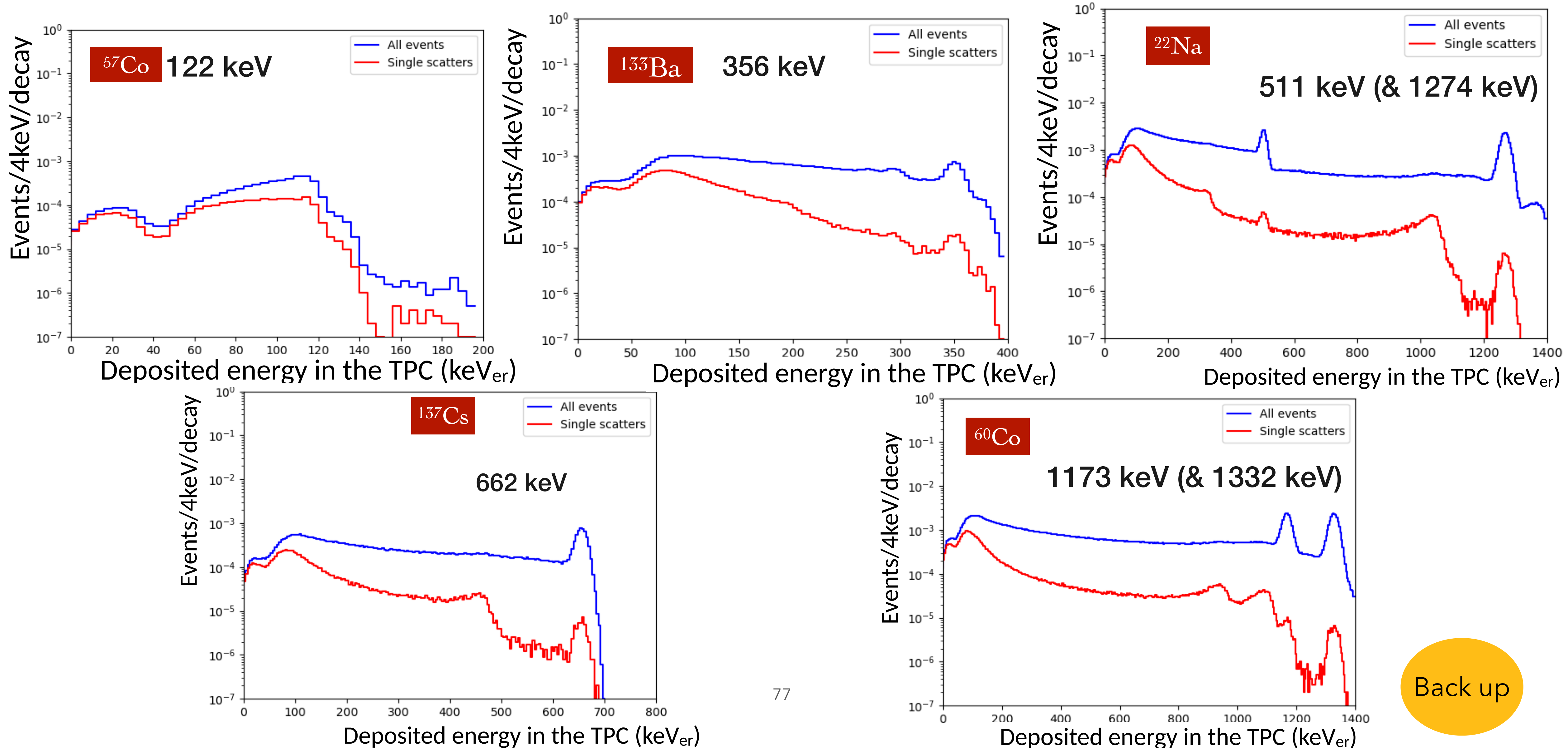
Neutron sources - time estimation

NR calibration - 10 000 Pure NR single scatters - Side (1e6 simulated events)

18 days

| | AmBe | AmC |
|--------------------------------|------|-----|
| Time per position (side) (h) | 19 | 28 |
| Time per position (bottom) (h) | 23 | 25 |
| Total time (day) | 8 | 10 |

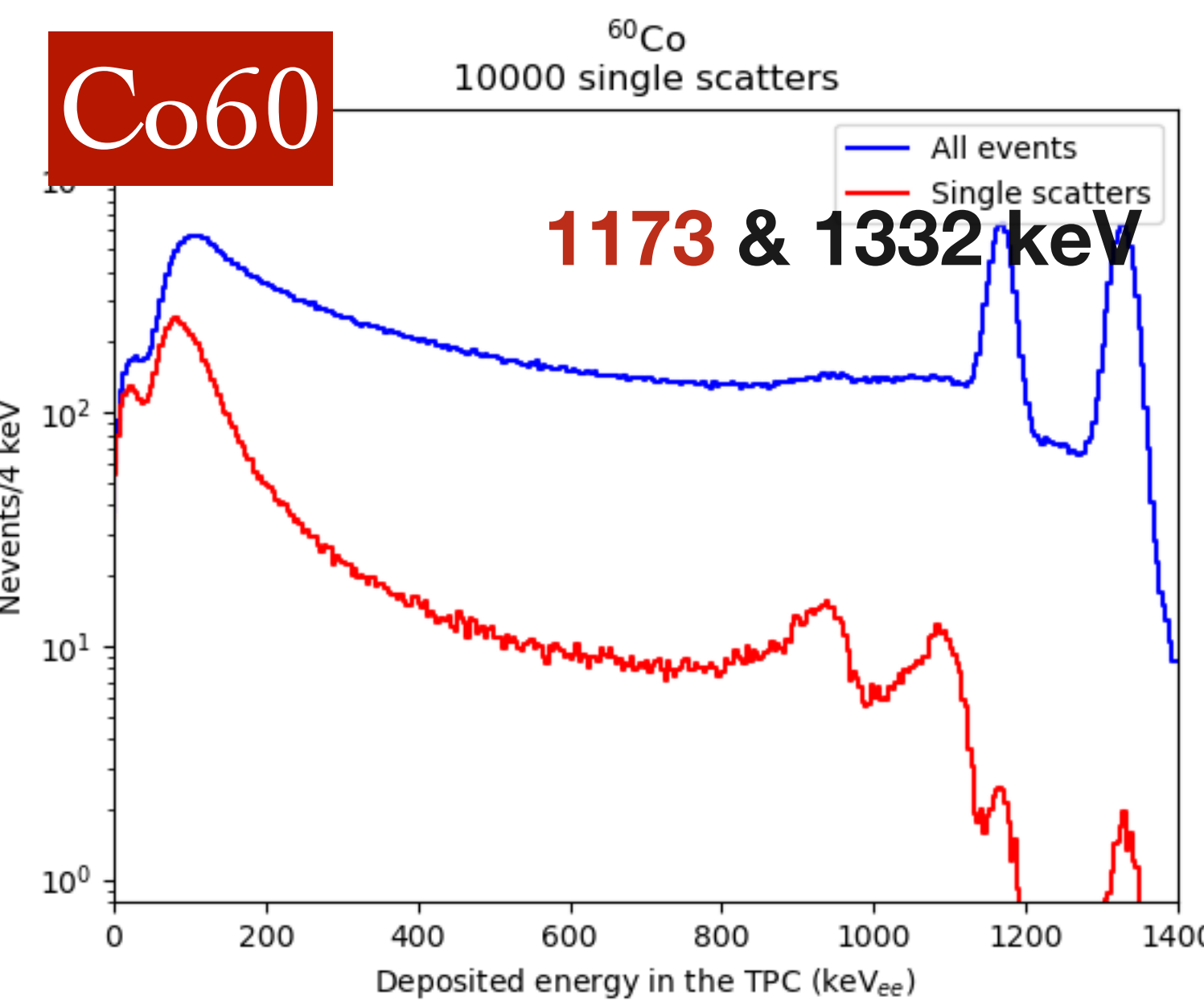
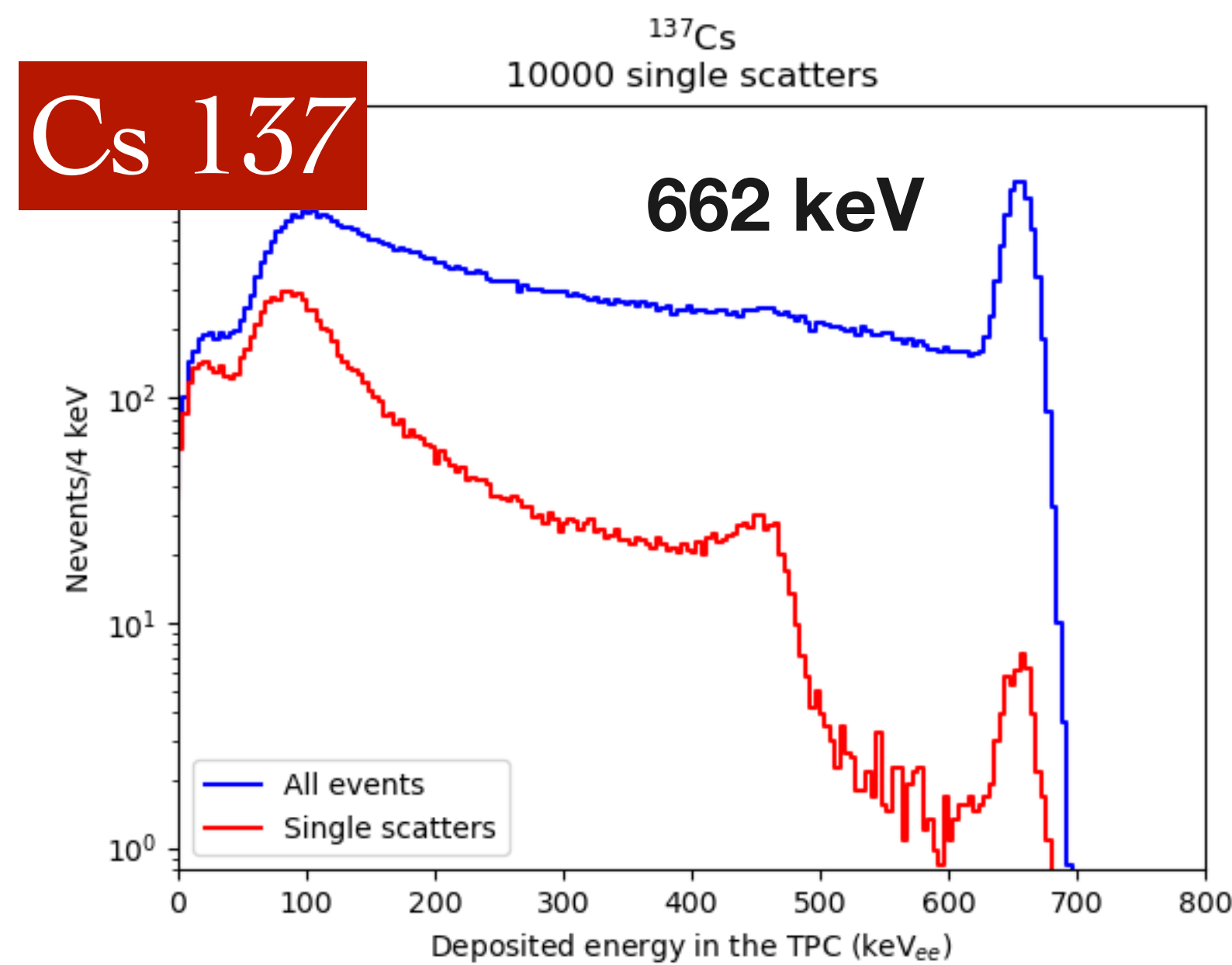
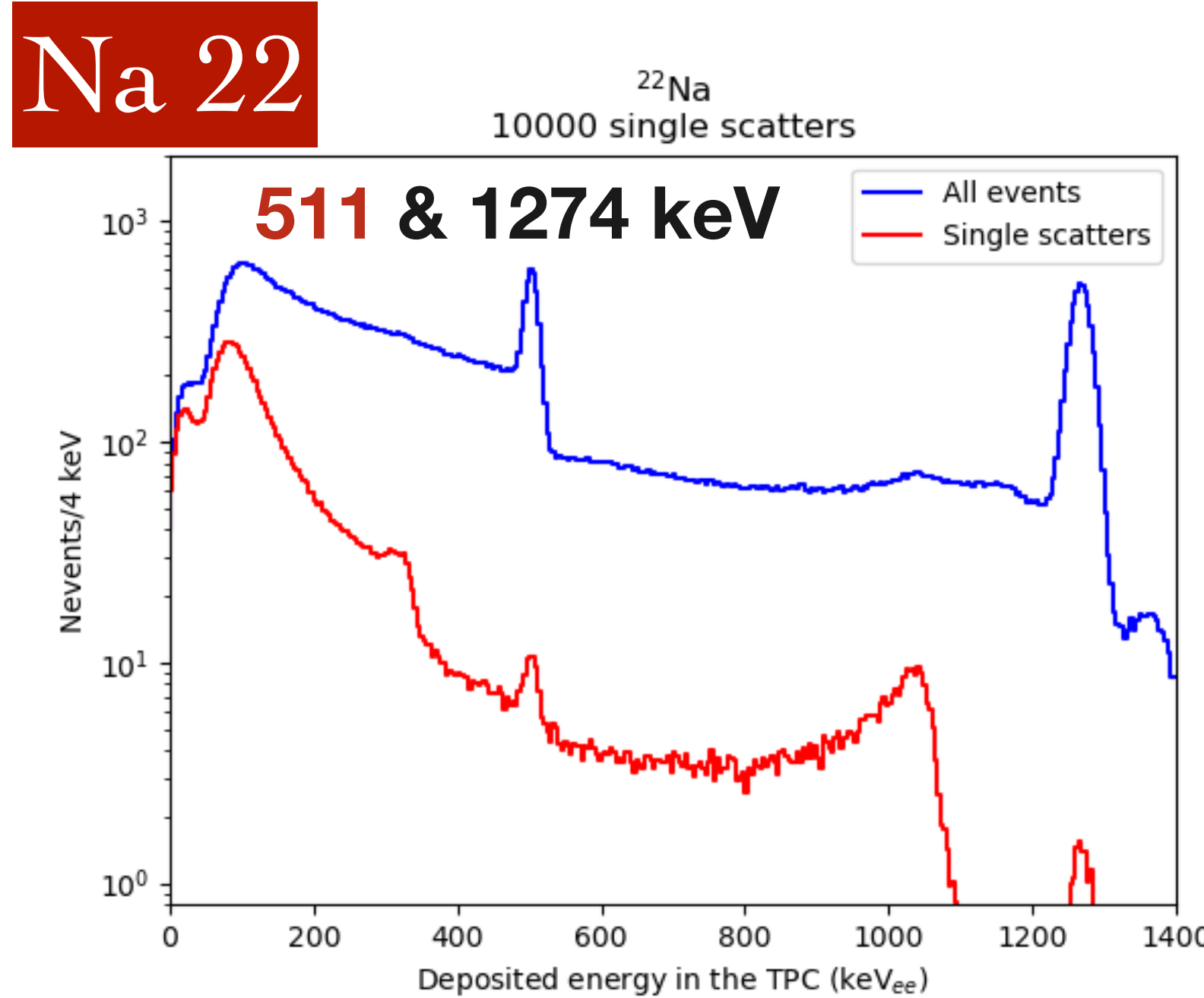
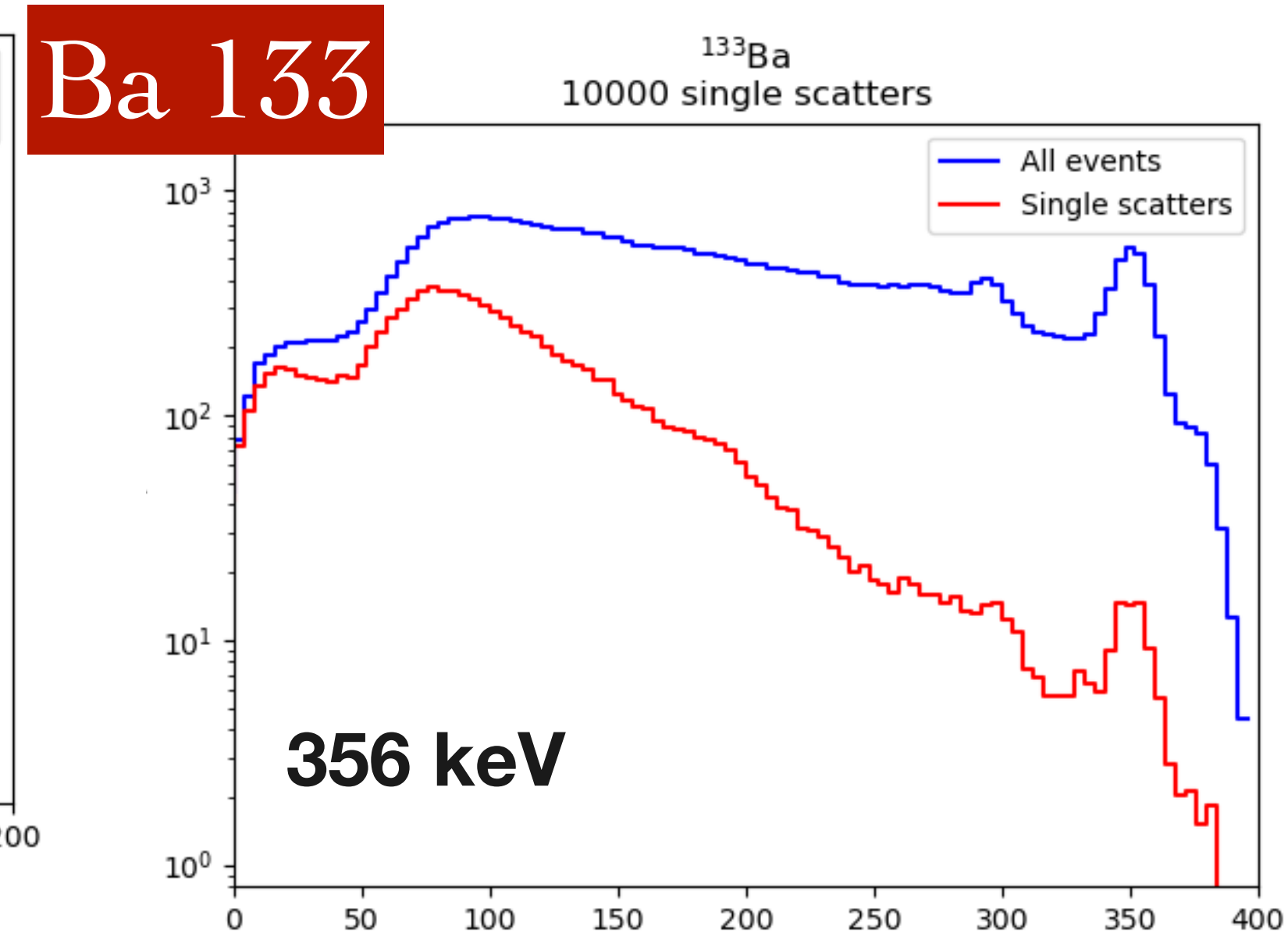
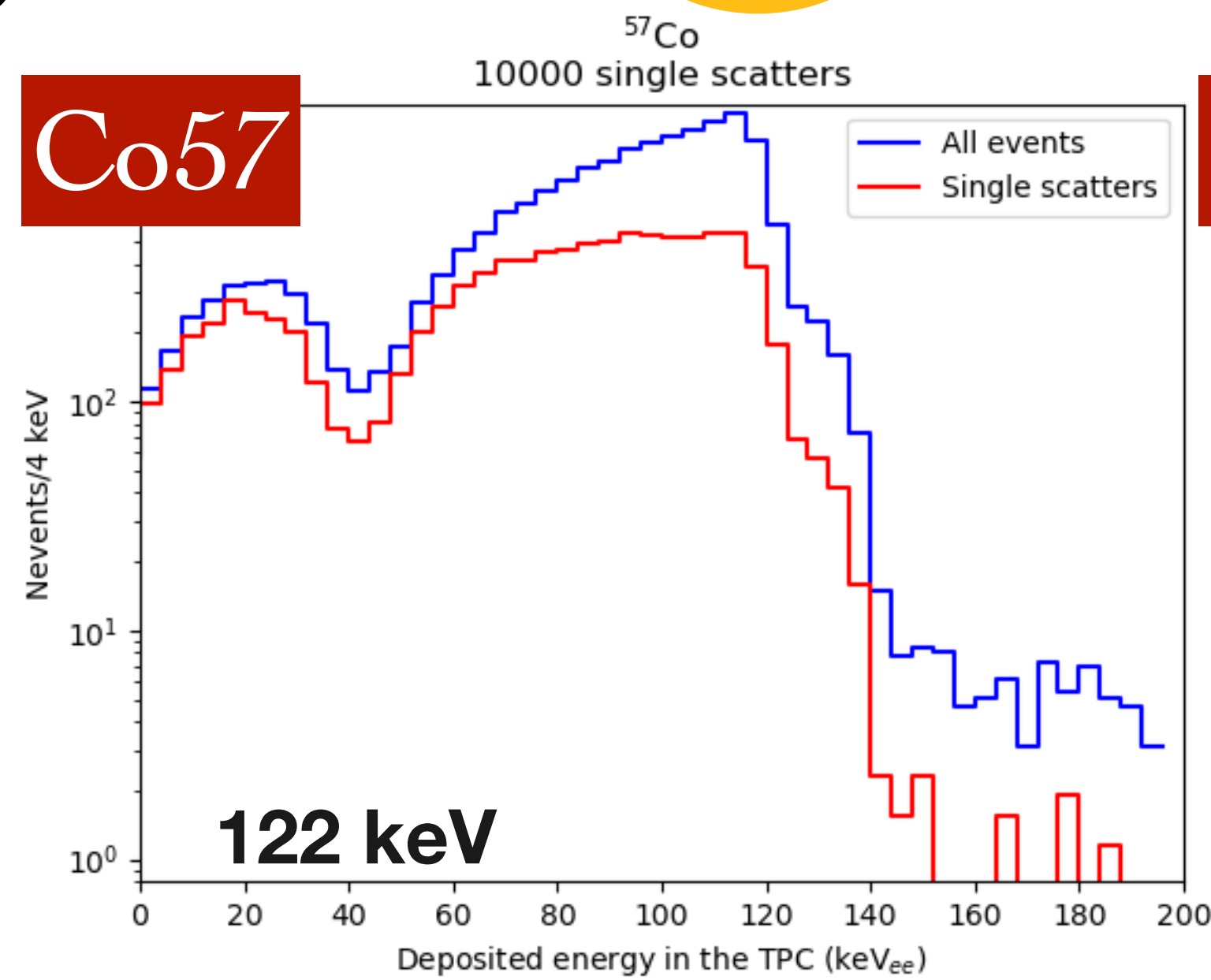
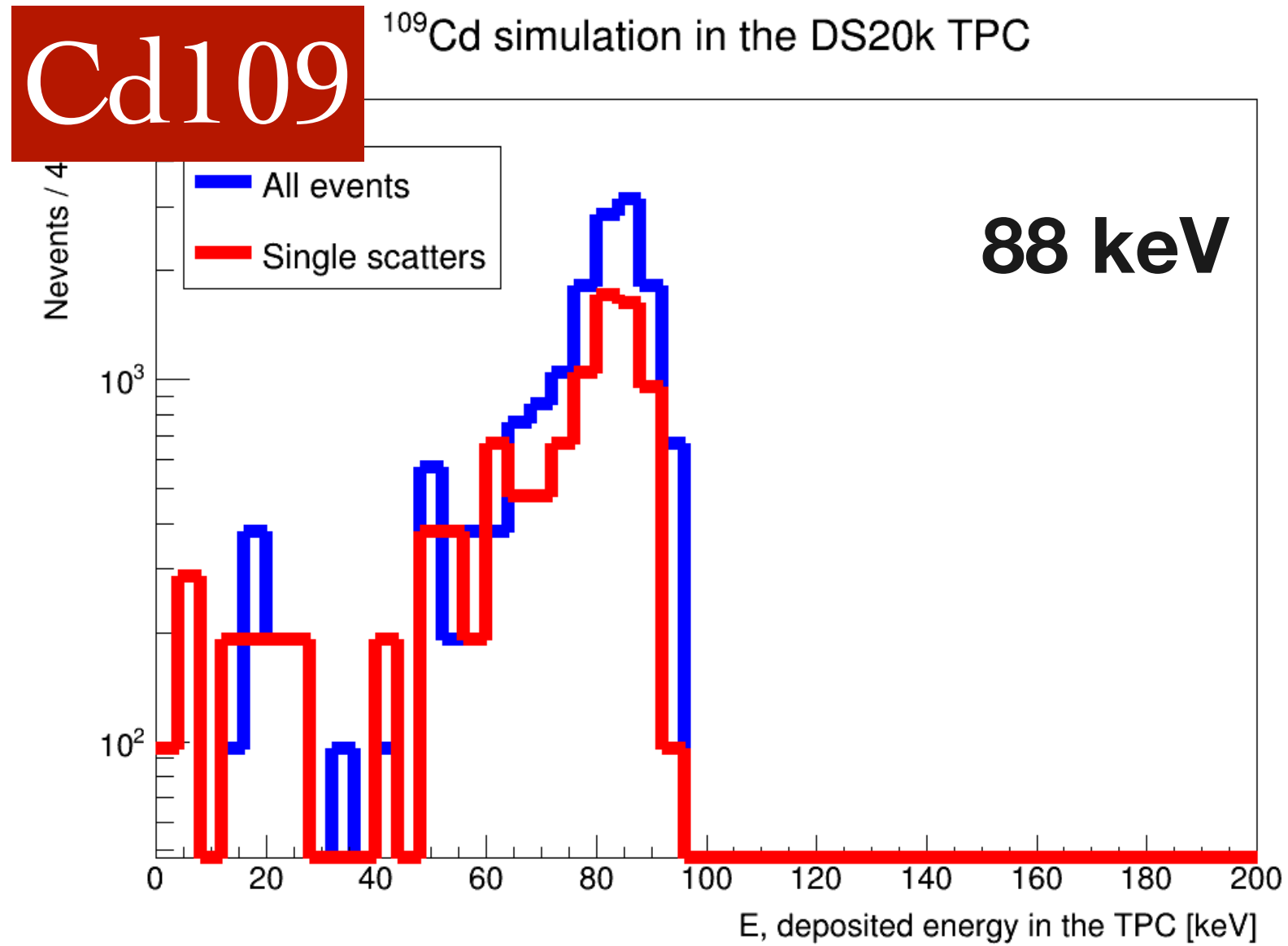
Simulation of the calibration - all ER sources spectra



Photon sources

Back up

- Side



Calibration strategy - Time estimation ER

1000 single scatters in the peak

6.3 days

| | 57Co | 133Ba | 22Na | 137Cs | 60Co |
|---|--------|--------|--------|-------|------|
| ★ ★ ★ Time per position (side) (h) | 2.5E-2 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 7.3 |
| ★★★ ★ Time per position (bottom) (h) | 3.4E-2 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 4.7 | 9.1 |
| U Total time (day) | 1.6E-1 | 7.8E-1 | 9.8E-1 | 1.5 | 3.1 |

10 000 single scatters

1 day

| | 57Co | 133Ba | 22Na | 137Cs | 60Co |
|--|------|-------|------|-------|------|
| ★ ★ ★ Time per position (side) (min) | 3.7 | 6.6 | 10.8 | 9 | 12.6 |
| ★★★ ★ ★ ★ Time per position (bottom) (min) | 3.8 | 5.9 | 9 | 7.8 | 10.8 |
| U Total time (h) | 4.2 | 4.6 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 5.4 |

Additional ideas: maybe interesting to

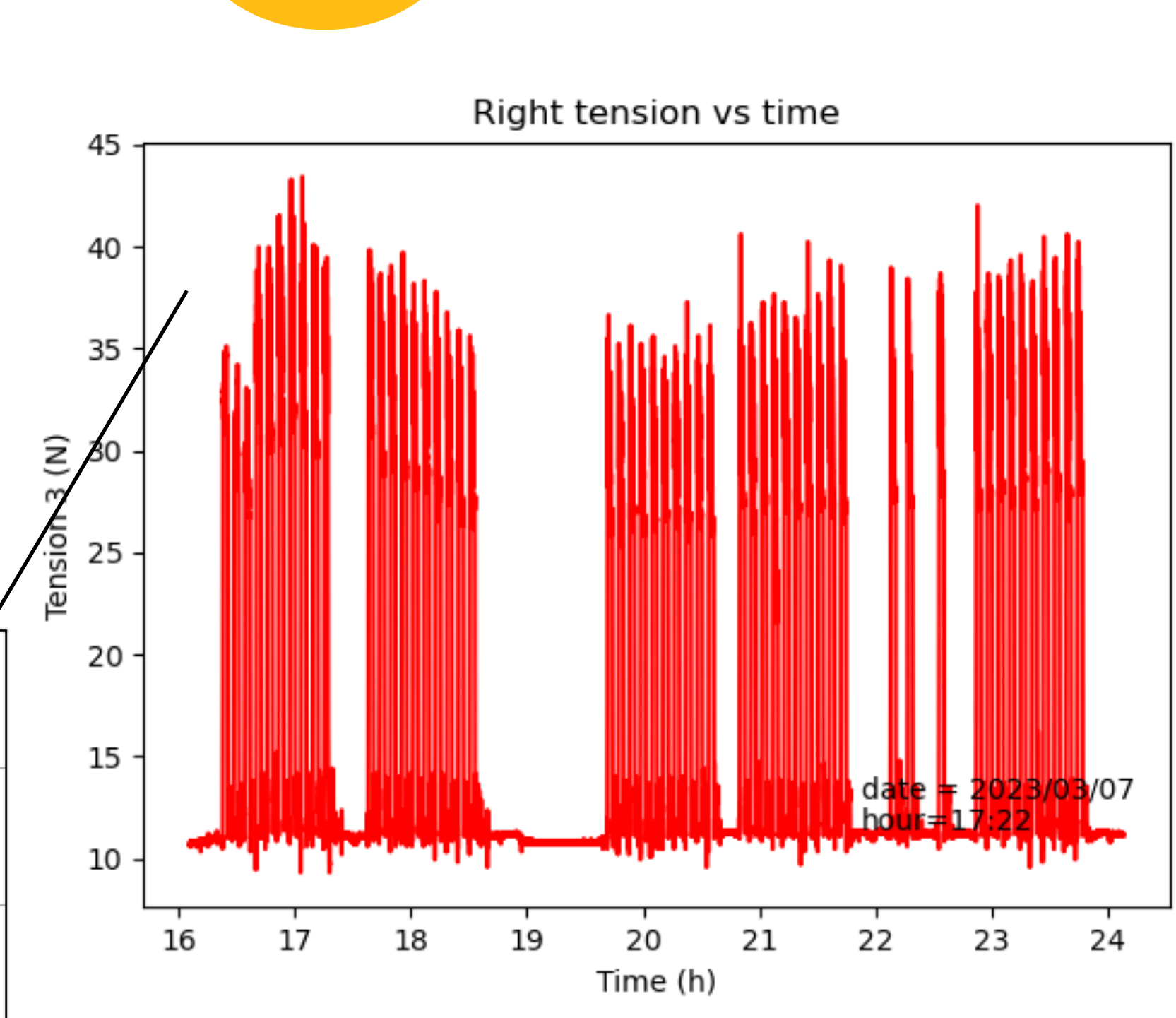
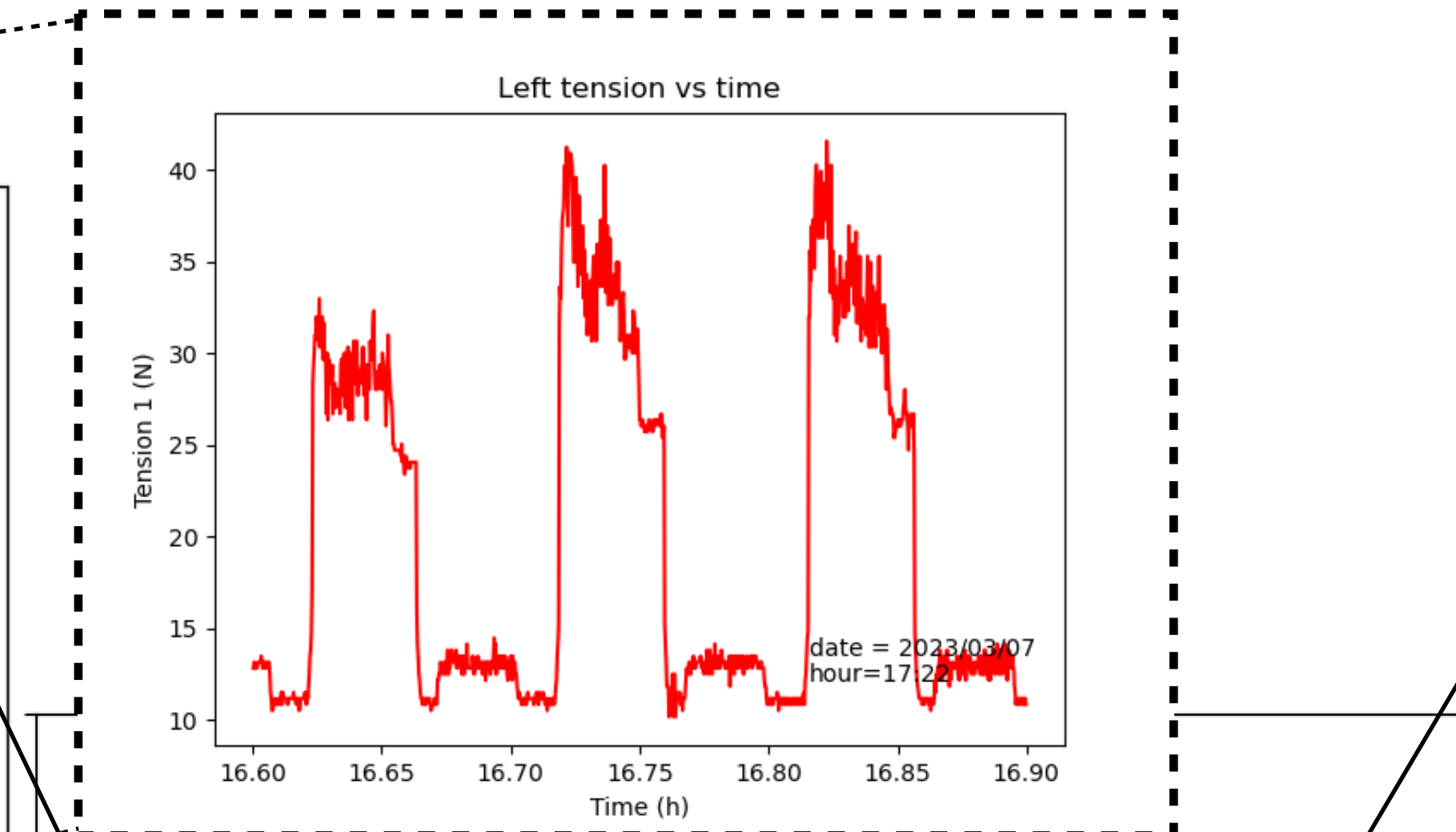
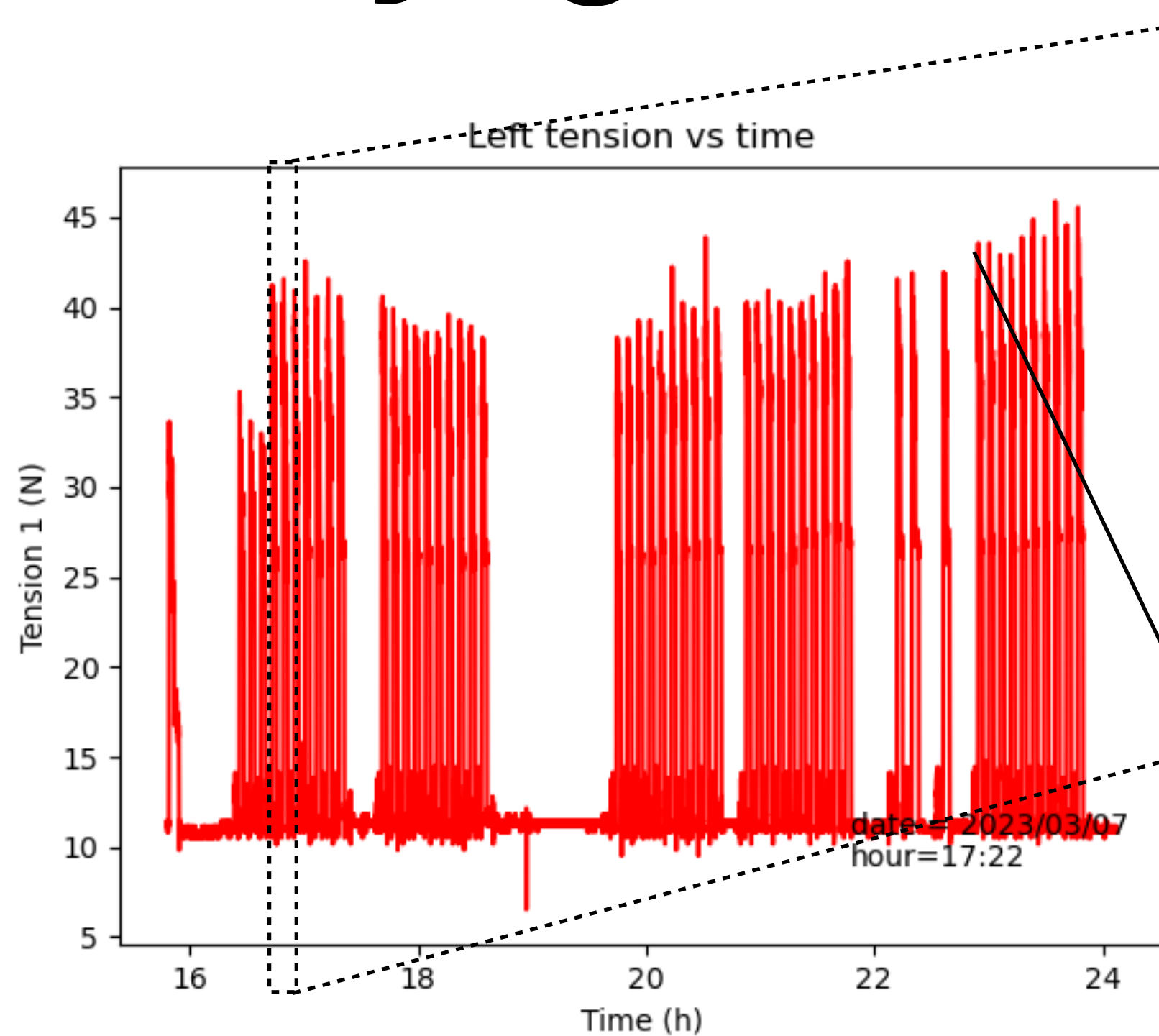
- Use the Compton edge to calibrate at high energy (instead of the photo-electric peak)
- Have S1-only events to have a faster calibration having a greater DAQ frequency

Back up

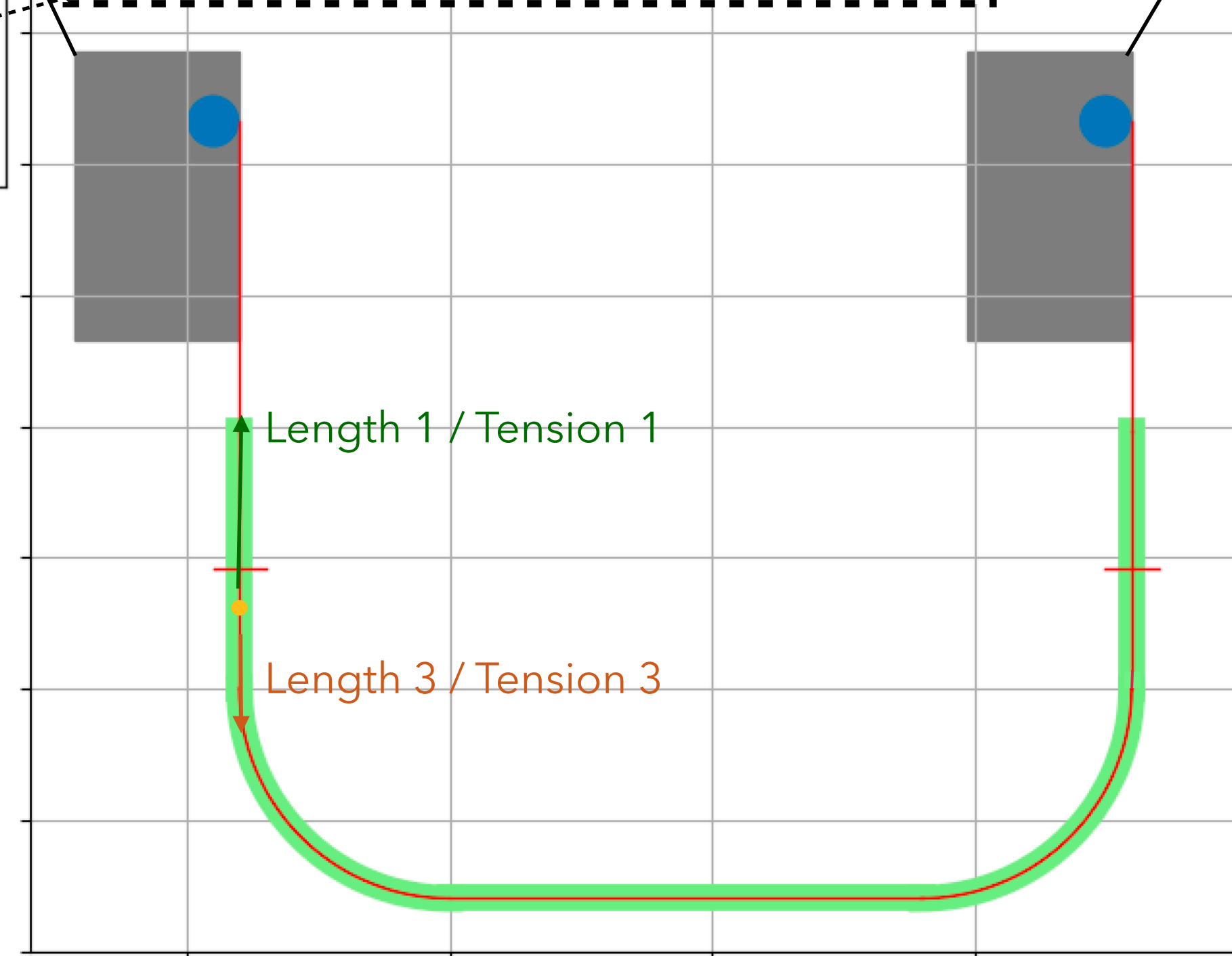


Hardware tests of the calibration

Cryogenic tests at CPPM



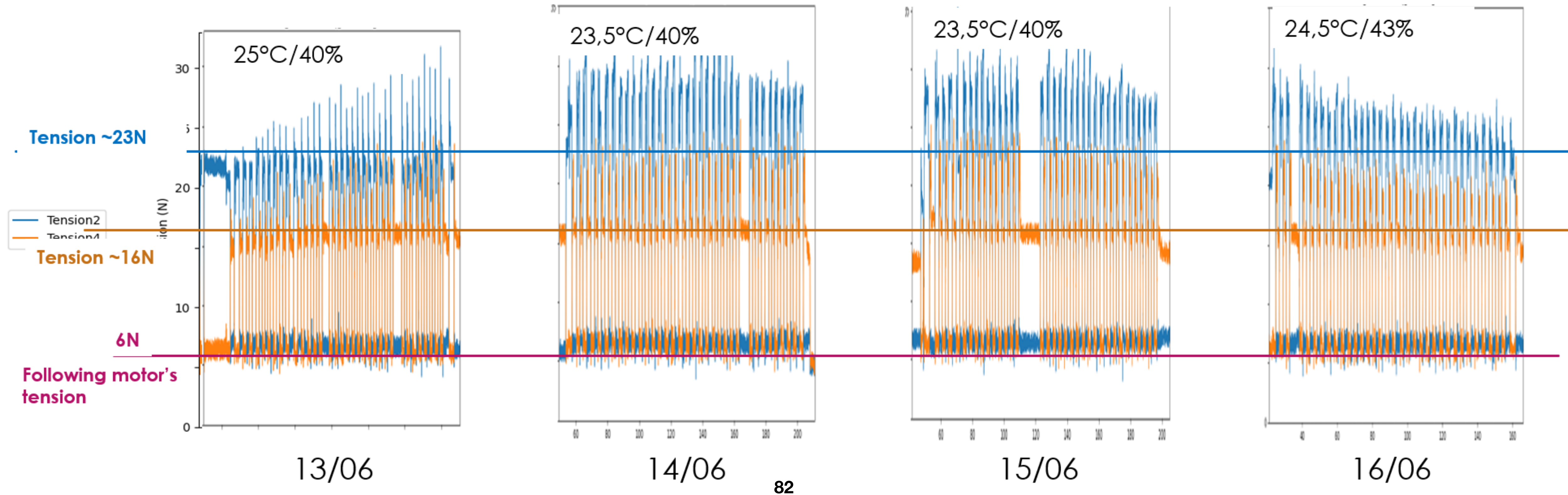
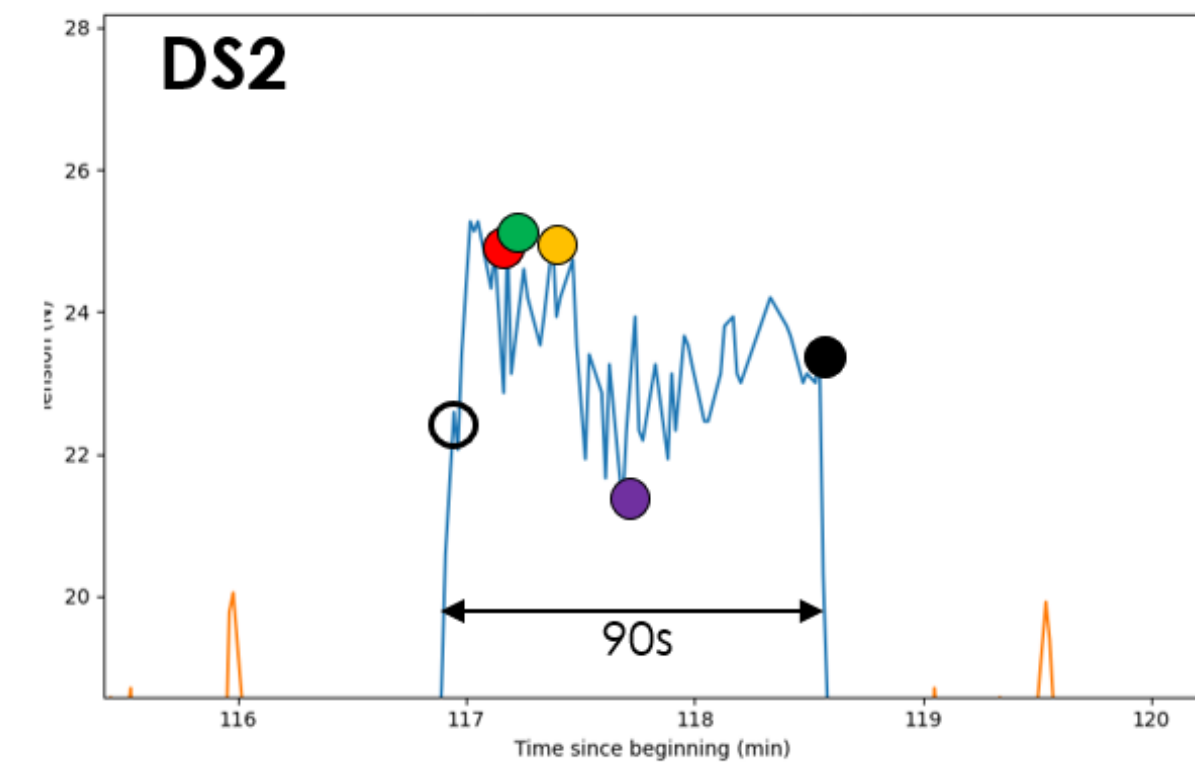
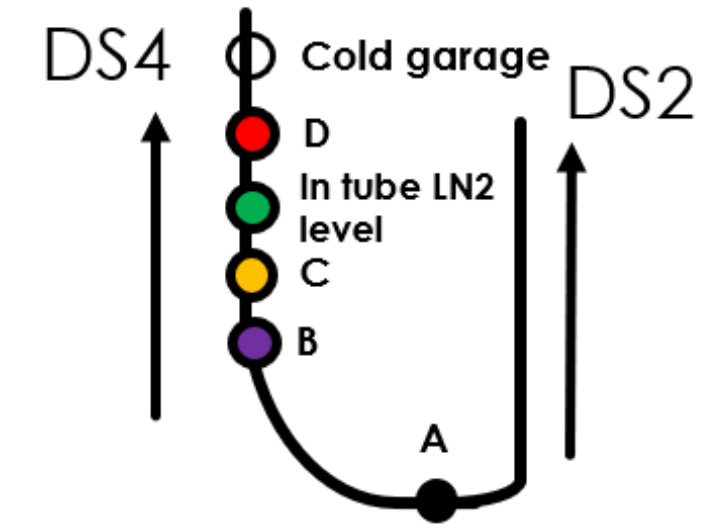
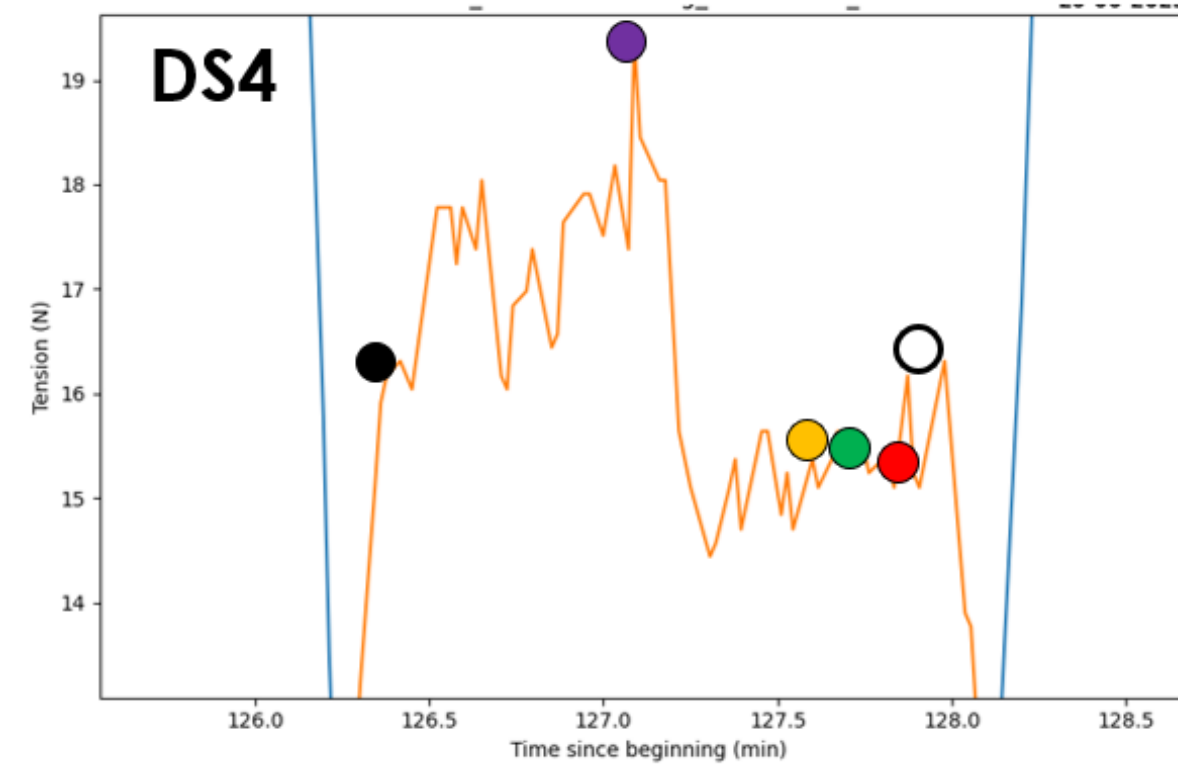
- ➔ Stable tension pattern during the tests of ~12h
- ➔ Tension of the puller motor around 30N (with peaks at ~40N)



- ➔ With the mock up at CPPM, we can test the system **at cold** for ≈ 8 h
- ➔ The behavior of the motorised systems is **reproducible**

Cryogenic tests at CERN

Back up

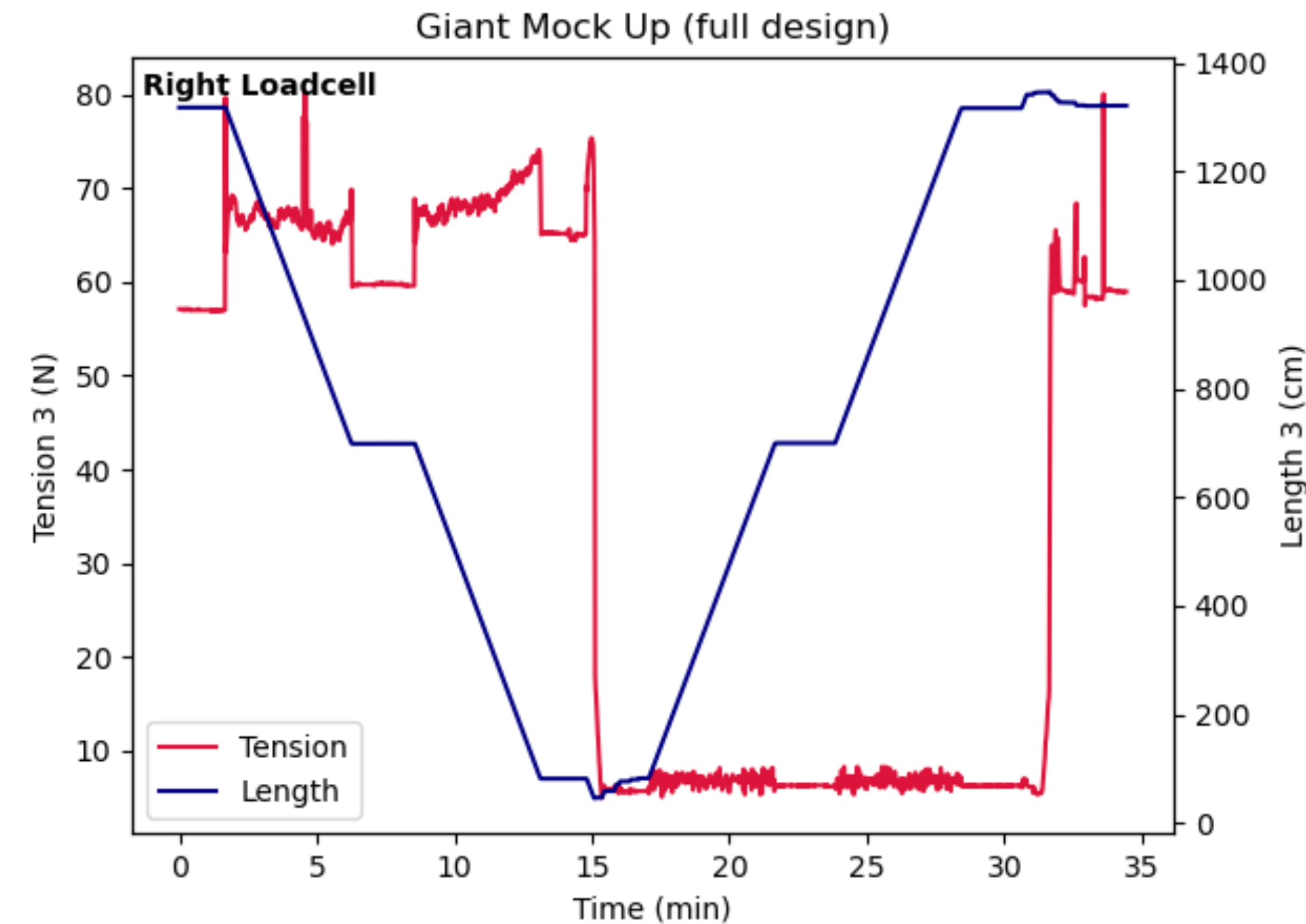
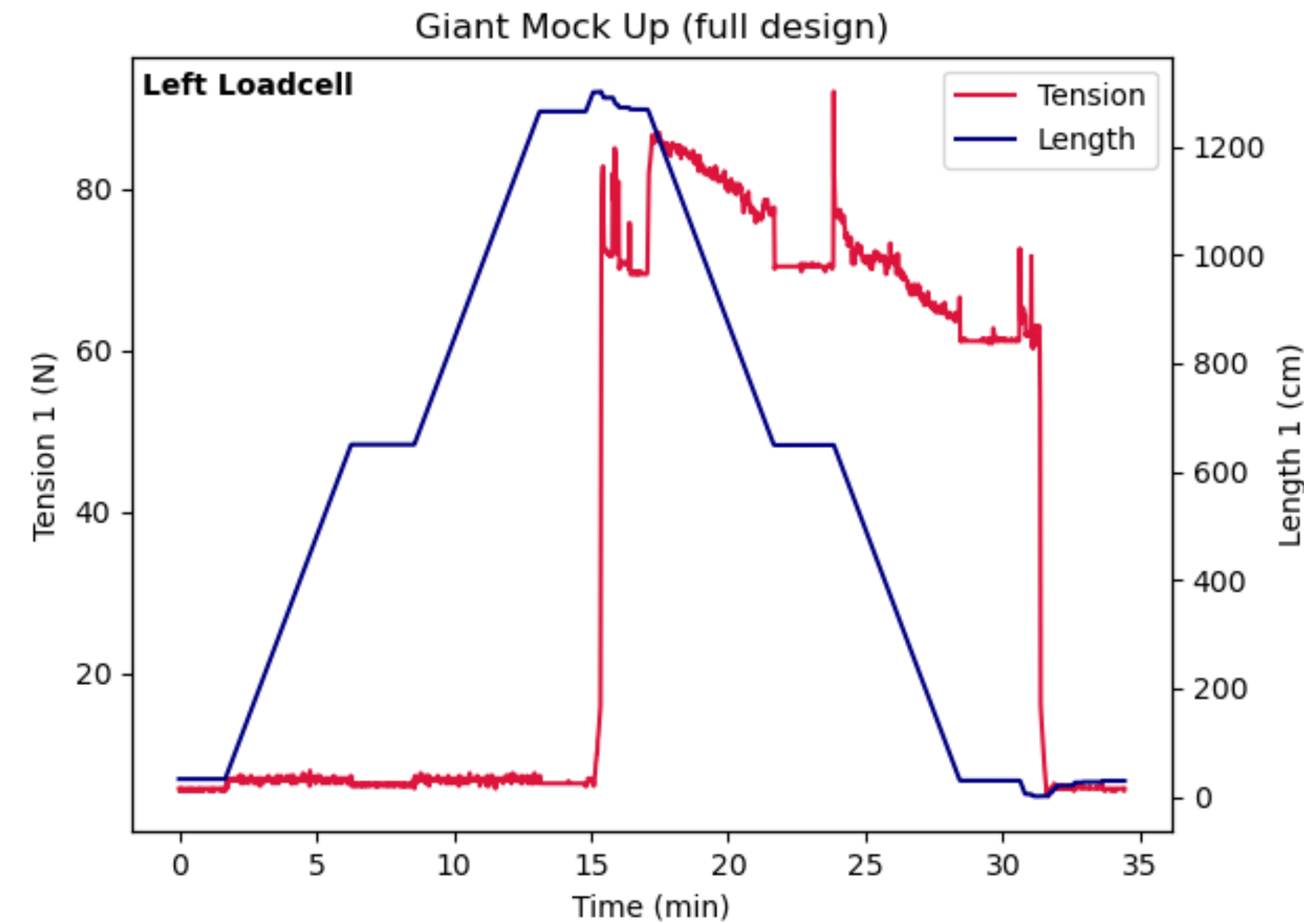


Scale-1 tests at CPPM

- 13 bends of 40cm curvature radius
- Plastic mock up

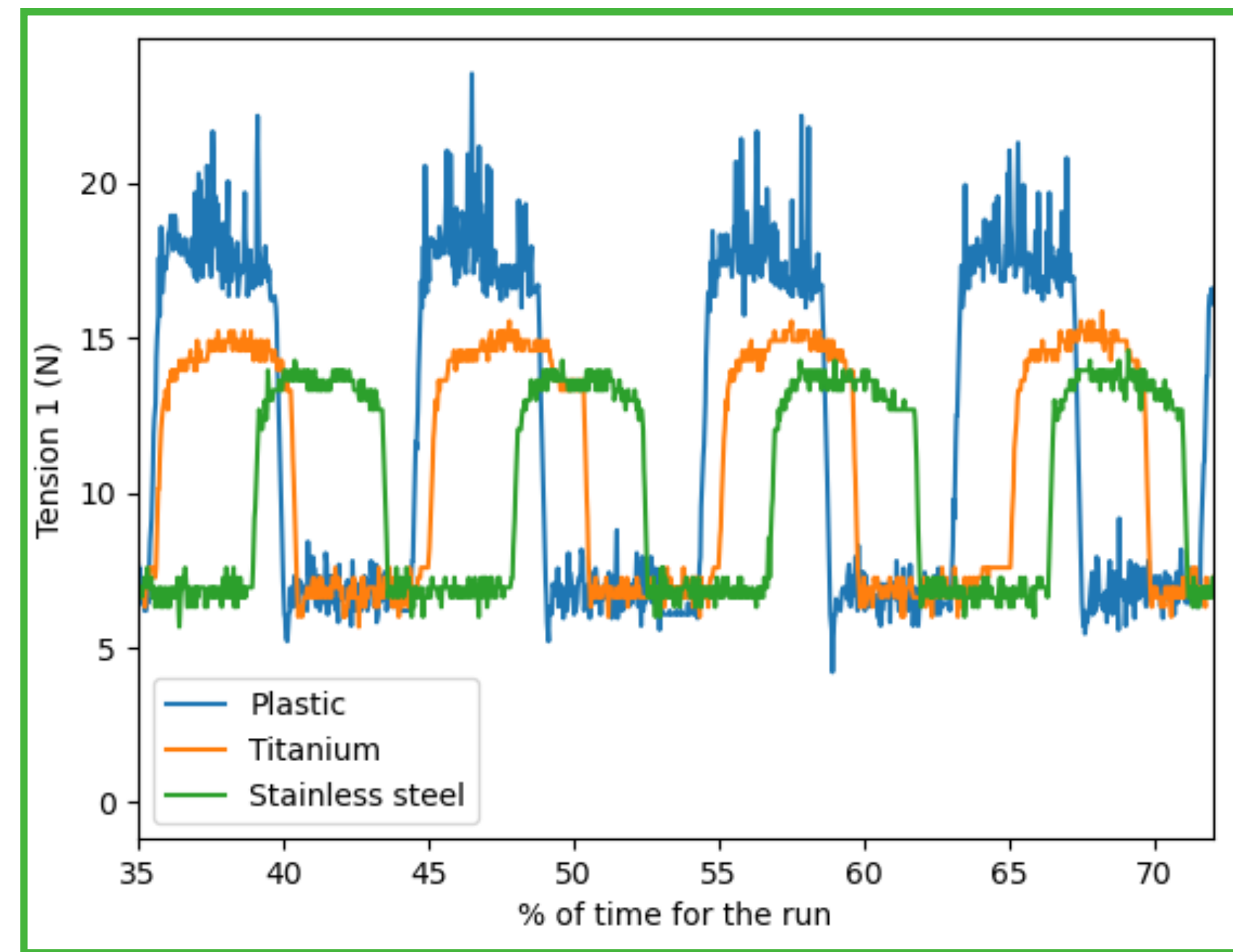
- Tension of the pulling motor in [65, 75]N range
- Chaotic/fluctuating behavior of the tension (allocated to the use of plastic, see next slide)
- Not the same pattern for DS1 and DS3 BUT DS1 always has the same pattern travels after travels (same for DS3)

Back up

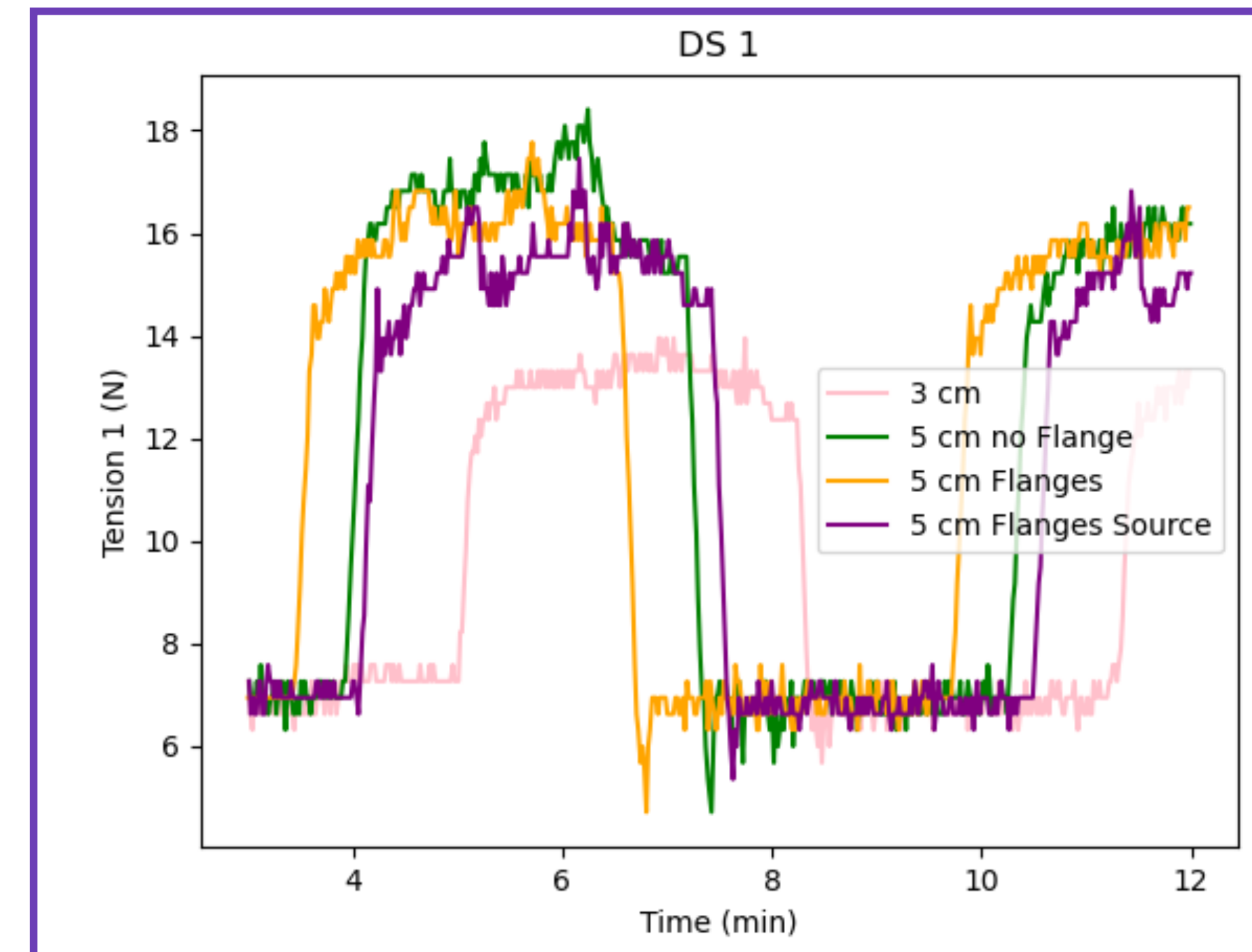


Small tests at CPPM

- Each small design change impacting the calibration system is systematically tested (at warm)
- Among these tests:
 - Tube's material: changed from titanium to stainless steel (and comparison with plastic to extrapolate giant mock-up runs to cryogenic scale 1 final system)
 - Tube's inner diameter: increased from 3 cm to 5 cm
 - Total tube = small tubes assembled with flanges → impact of the flange on the tension



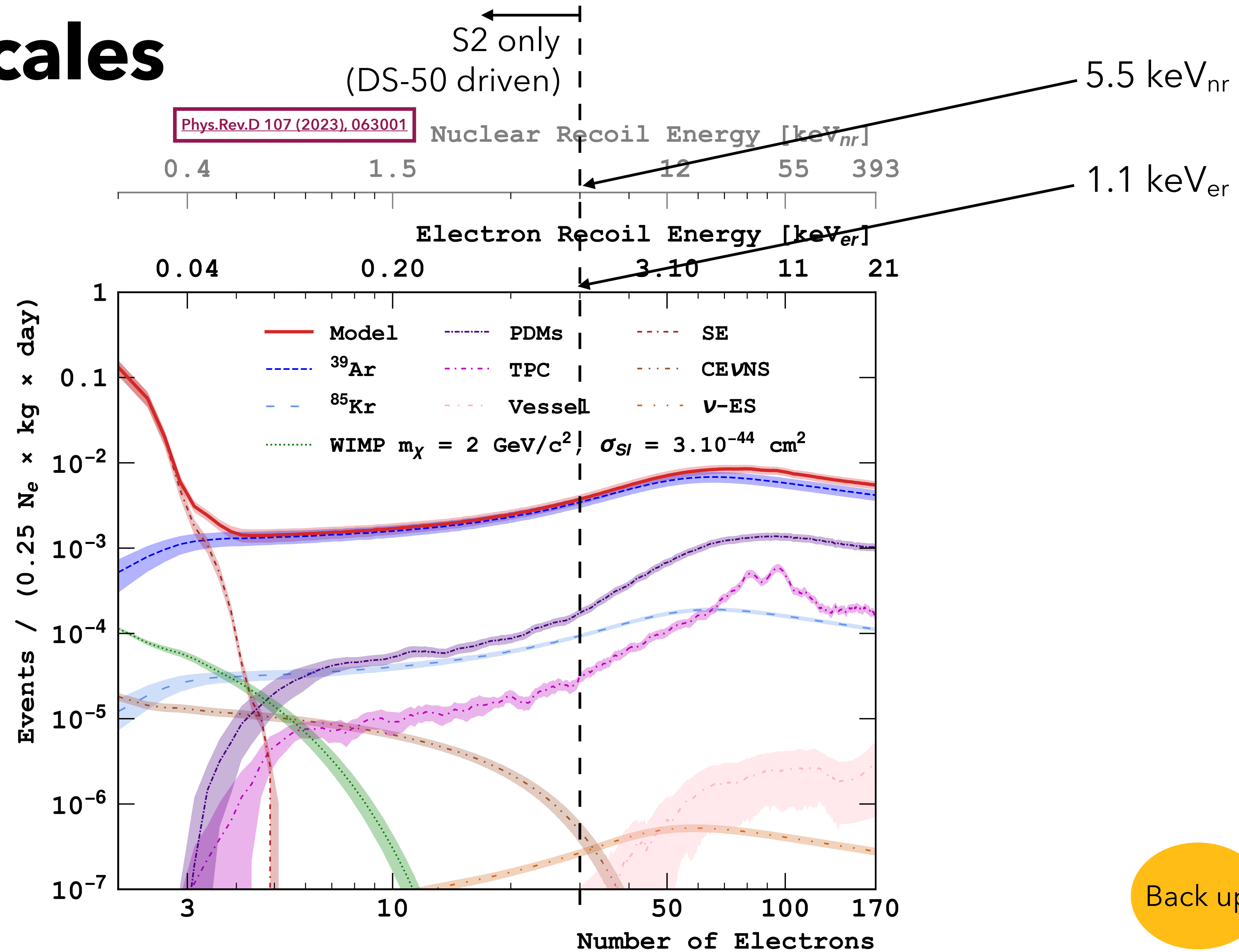
Back up





Low mass analysis

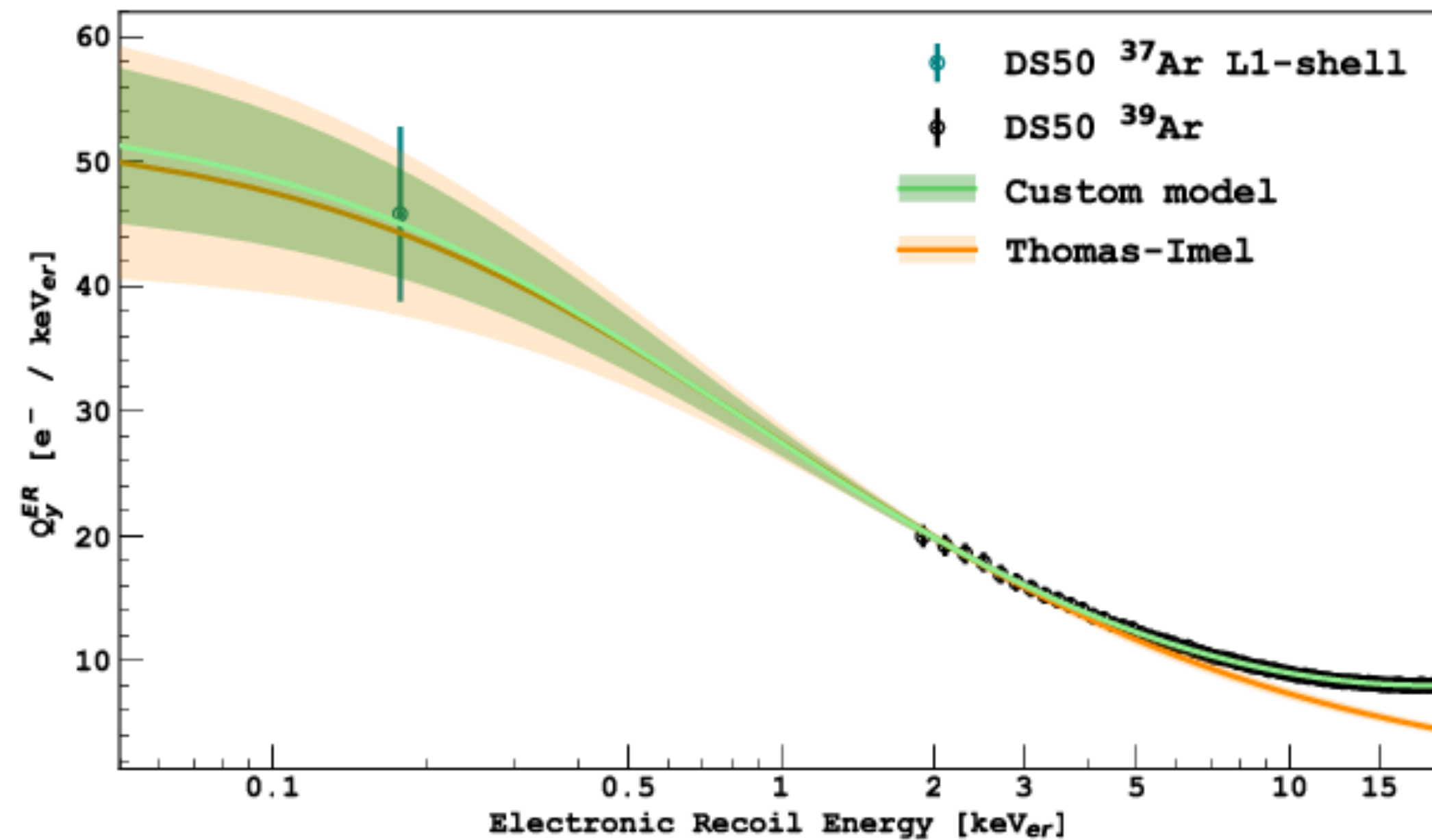
Energy scales



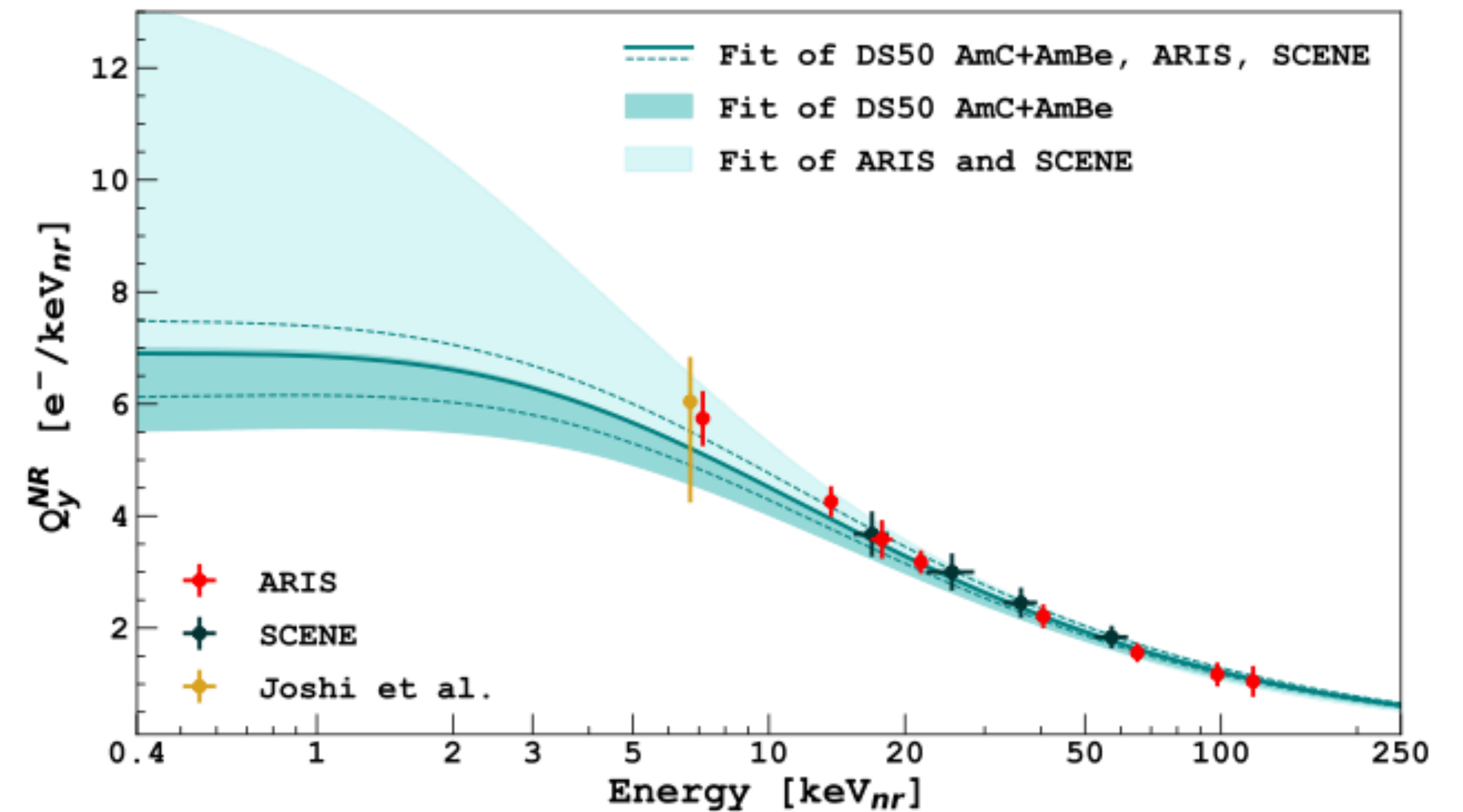
LAr response model

DarkSide-50 calibration

ER ionization yield



NR ionization yield



[Phys.Rev.D 104
\(2021\), 082005](#)

LAr response model

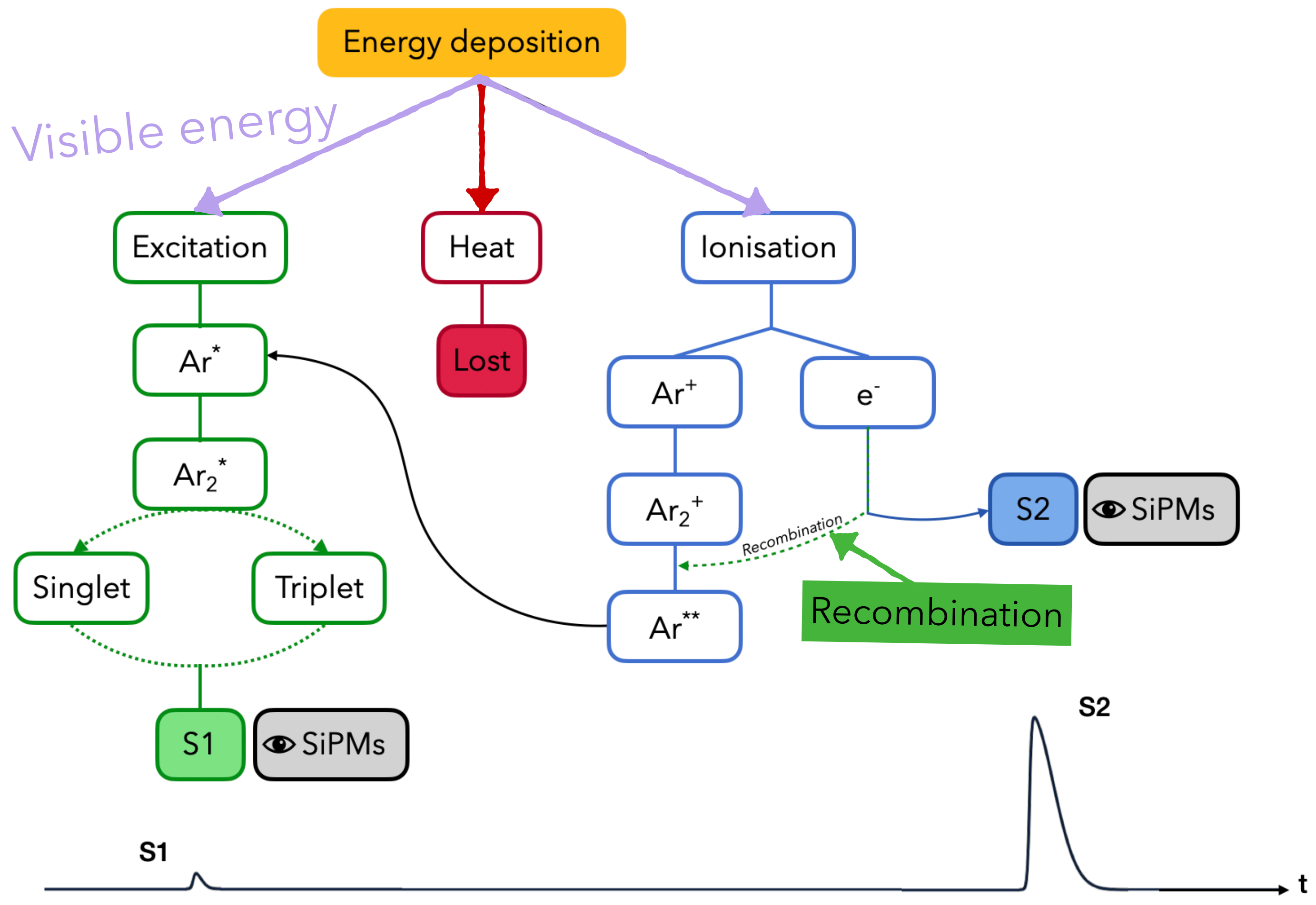
Quenching fluctuations -> no theoretical predictions

NQ model:

Visible energy fixed to its average value. Not physical but conservative.

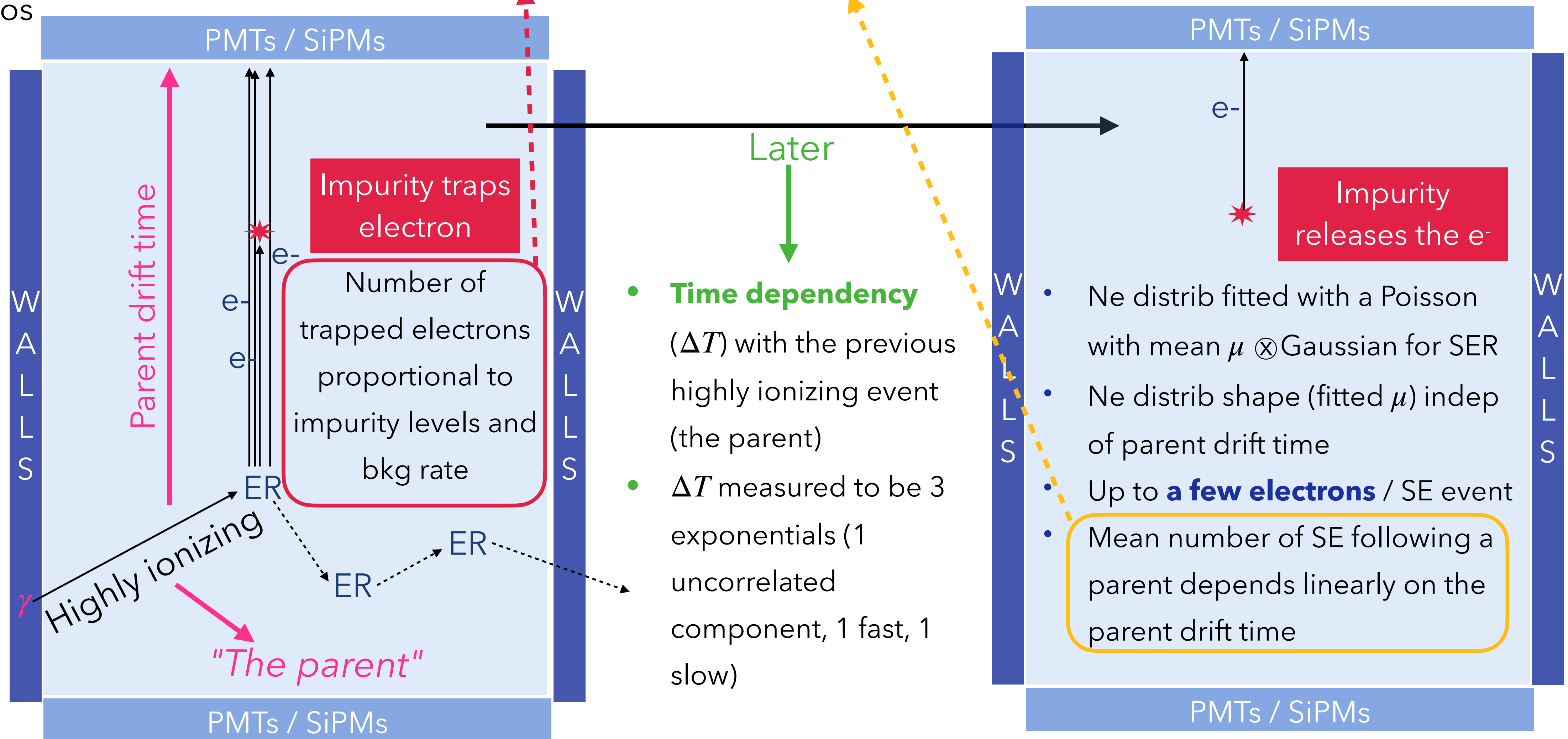
QF model:

binomial **quenching** fluctuations between detectable and undetectable energy : ensures that the number of produced quanta does not exceed the maximum possible one + other fluctuations in **recombination** process (nb of electron-ion pair that recombine) and repartition between excitation and ionization quanta



Spurious electron background

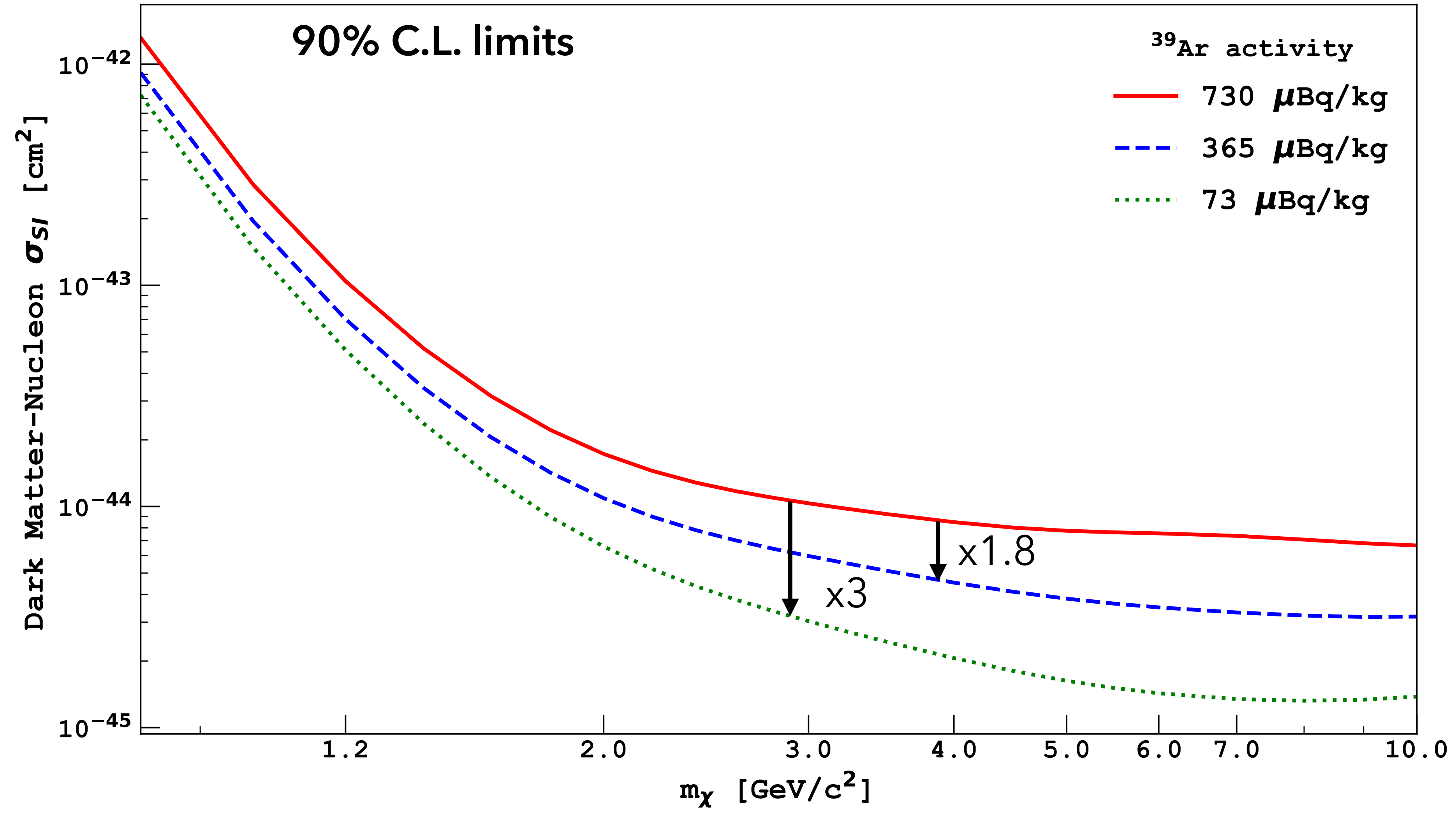
- **Extrapolated** from DarkSide-50 data
- **DS20k rate** = DS50 rate scaled with **bkg rate** and **max. drift time** ratios
- **DS20k shape (in Ne)**: takes into account expected single electron resolution (SER) and electron lifetime



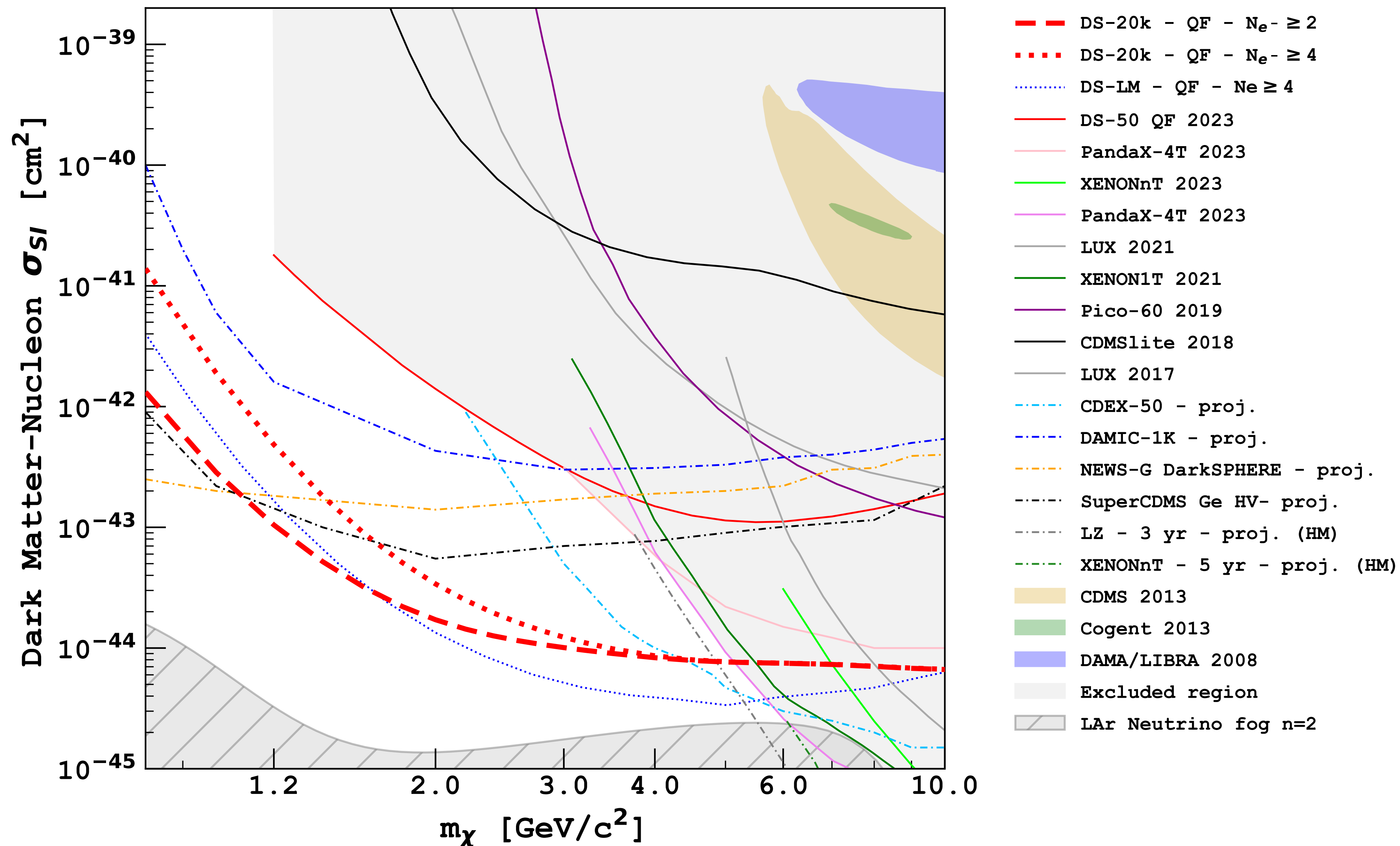
- **Time dependency** (ΔT) with the previous highly ionizing event (the parent)
- ΔT measured to be 3 exponentials (1 uncorrelated component, 1 fast, 1 slow)

- Ne distrib fitted with a Poisson with mean μ \otimes Gaussian for SER
- Ne distrib shape (fitted μ) indep of parent drift time
- Up to **a few electrons** / SE event
- Mean number of SE following a parent depends linearly on the parent drift time

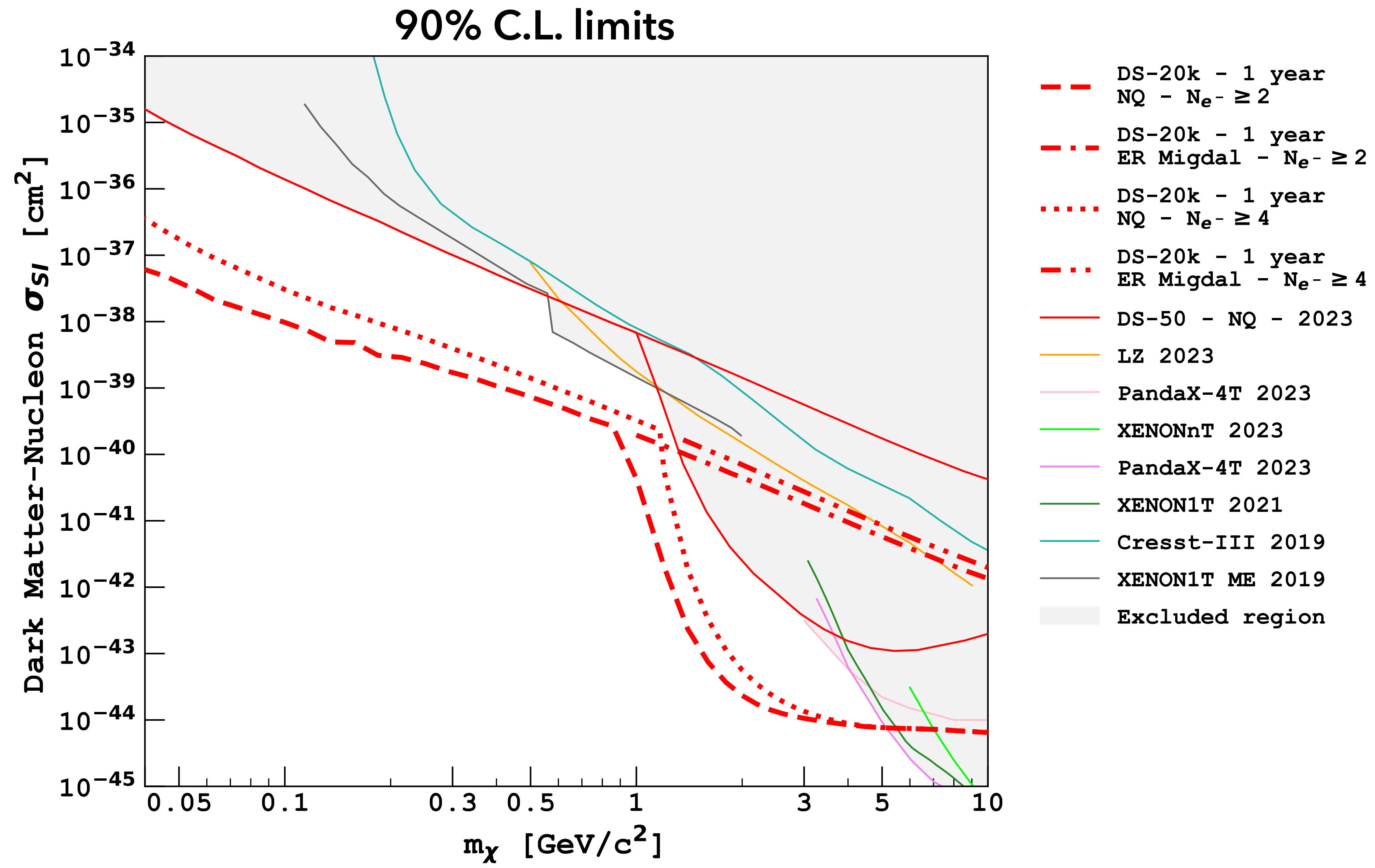
Sensitivity vs argon level



DarkSide-20k and other prospective experiments



No quenching fluctuations in NR



LM - Other signal models



Rates

e⁻ in a given orbital (n, l)

LDM:

$$\frac{dR}{d \ln E_{er}} = N_T \frac{\rho_{DM}}{m_\chi} \times \frac{\bar{\sigma}_e}{8\mu_{\chi e}^2} \times \sum_{nl} \int |f_{ion}^{nl}(k', q)|^2 |F_{DM}(q)|^2 \eta(v_{min}) q dq$$

ALPs:

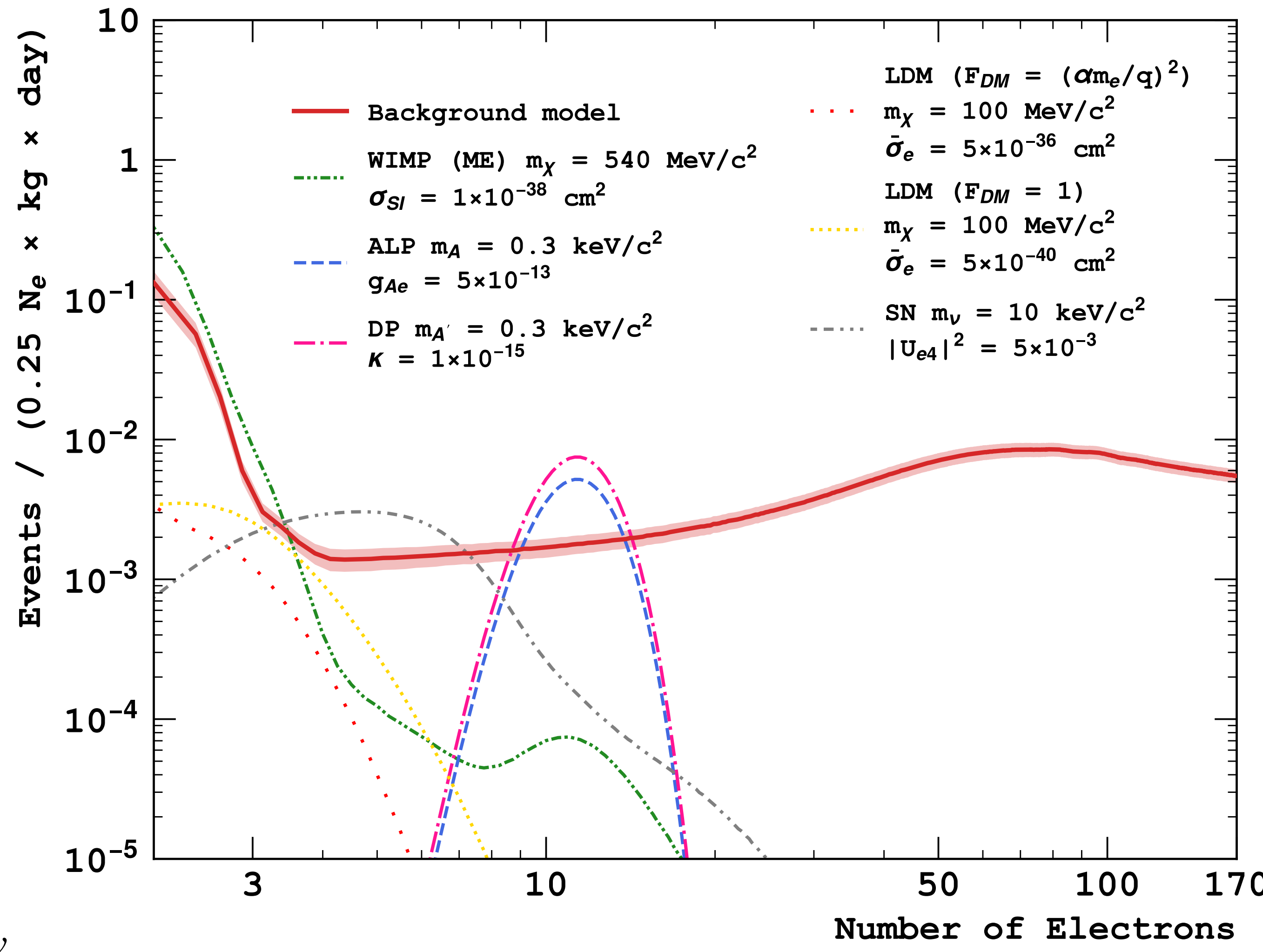
$$R = N_T \frac{\rho_{DM}}{m_A} \times \frac{3m_A^2 g_{Ae}^2}{16\pi\alpha m_e^2} \sigma_{pe}(m_A c^2) c$$

DP:

$$R = N_T \frac{\rho_{DM}}{m_{A'}} \times \kappa^2 \sigma_{pe}(m_{A'} c^2) c$$

Sterile neutrinos:

$$\frac{dR}{dE_{er}} = N_T \frac{\rho_{DM}}{m_\nu} \times \sum_{nl} 2(2l+1) \int \frac{d\sigma_{nl}}{dE_{er}} \left(v, m_\nu, |U_{e4}|^2 \right) f(v) v dv$$



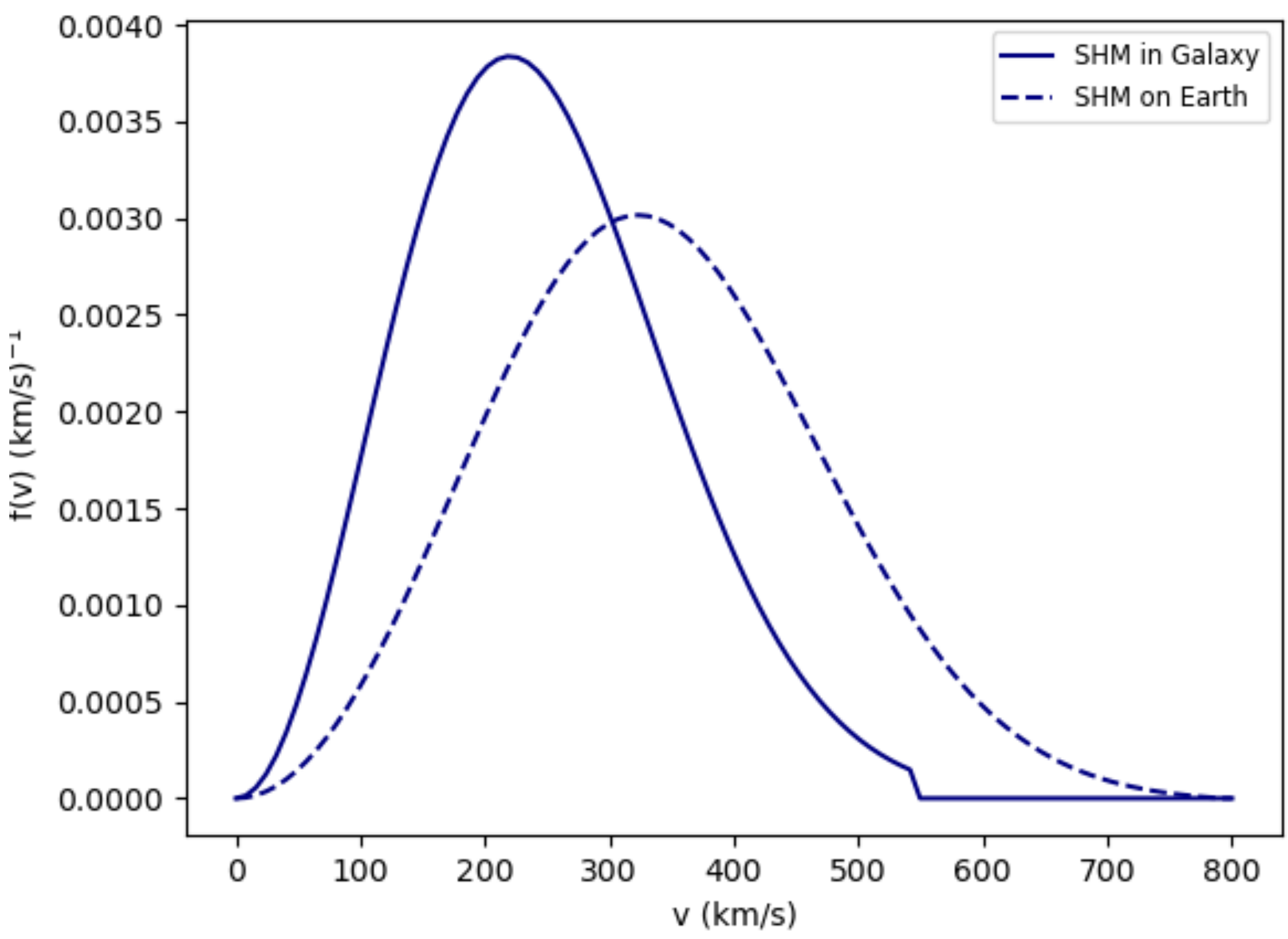


Systematics uncertainties from the modelling of the galactic DM halo

The standard halo model (SHM)



Velocity probability distribution function (VPDF)



- The SHM intends to describe a isotropic isothermal spherically symmetric halo
- Each velocity component v_x, v_y, v_z follows a gaussian distribution centered on 0 with width v_0
- $f_{gal}(\vec{v}) = f_{gal}(v_x) \times f_{gal}(v_y) \times f_{gal}(v_z)$
- Pb: with width $v_0, f_{gal}(\vec{v})$ allows for \vec{v} such as $|\vec{v}| = v > v_{esc}$
 - Manually force the VPDF to be null at $v \geq v_{esc}$

$$f_{gal}(v) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N_{esc}} \cdot v^2 \cdot e^{-\frac{v^2}{v_0^2}} & \text{if } v < v_{esc} \\ 0 & \text{if } v \geq v_{esc} \end{cases}$$

Correlation of astrophysical parameters



For a spherically symmetric system

- $\rho(r) \propto \frac{v_0(r)^2}{r^2}$ $\rho(r)$ and $v_0(r)$ correlated

- $f_{MB}(\vec{v}, r) = \frac{1}{K} e^{-\frac{m\vec{v}^2}{2k_B T}} e^{-\frac{m\Phi(r)}{k_B T}}$ & $\rho(r) = \int d^3\vec{v} f_{gal}(\vec{v}, r)$

- $\rho(r) = \int d^3\vec{v} \frac{1}{K} e^{-\frac{m\vec{v}^2}{2k_B T}} e^{-\frac{m\Phi(r)}{k_B T}}$ $\rho(r)$ and $\Phi(r)$ correlated

- $v_{esc}(r) = \sqrt{2(\Phi(r_{max}) - \Phi(r))}$ $v_{esc}(r)$ and $\Phi(r)$ correlated

- $|\vec{a}(r)| = \frac{v_c(r)^2}{r} = -\frac{m |\vec{\nabla} \Phi|}{m} \Rightarrow v_c(r) = \sqrt{r \frac{d\Phi}{dr}(r)} = \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{G} M_{int}(r)}{r}}$

and $M_{int}(r) = \int_0^r \rho(r') d^3\vec{r}' \Rightarrow v_c = \left(\frac{\mathcal{G} \int_0^r \rho(r') d^3\vec{r}'}{r} \right)^{1/2}$ $v_c(r)$ and $\rho(r)$ correlated

$\phi(r)$: gravitational potential
 r_{max} : the radius at which the gravitational potential isn't determined by the central halo anymore

$\rho(r)$ and $v_{esc}(r)$ correlated

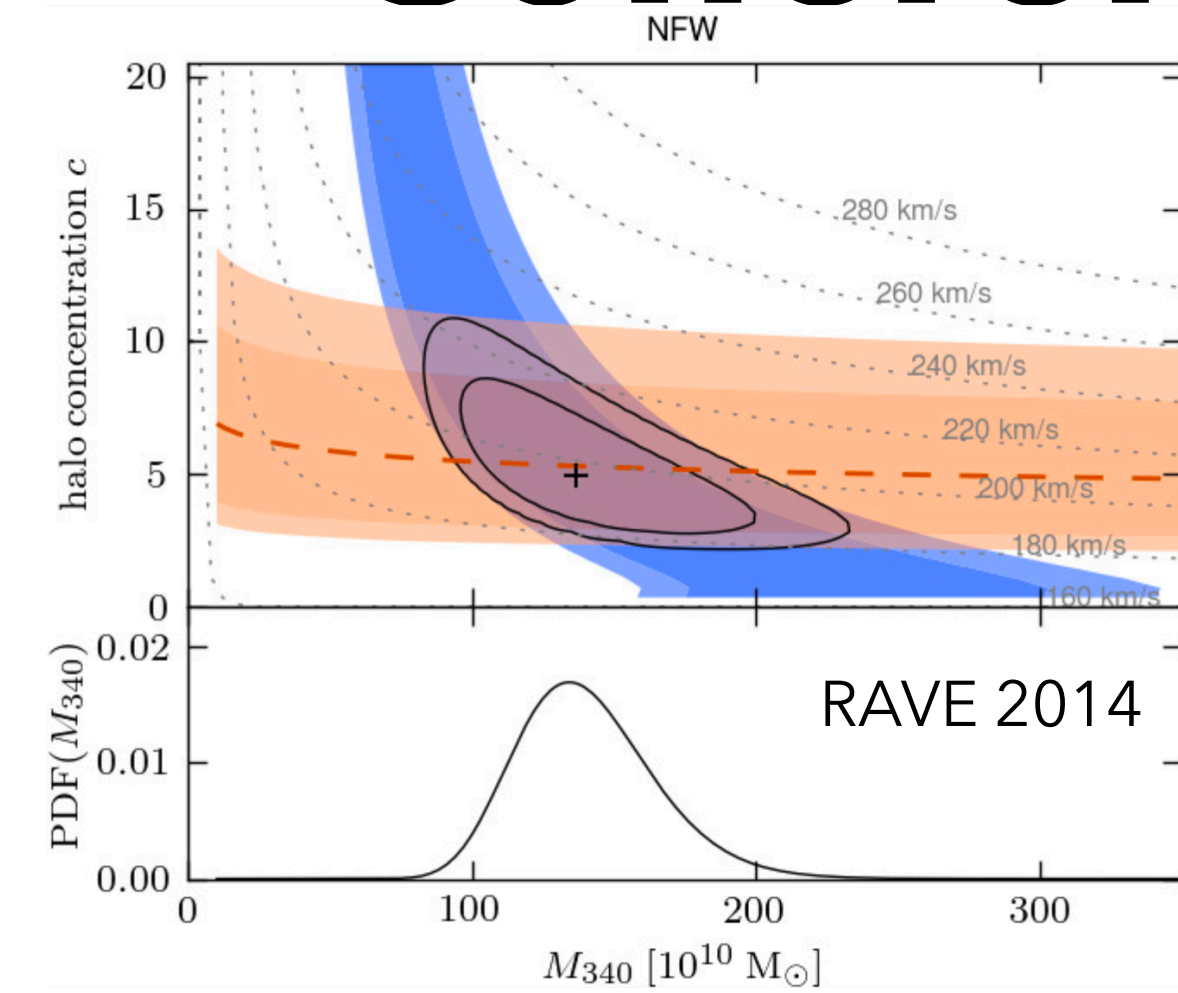
→ Astro param depend on one another AND on the prior for the halo

Coherent sets of astrophysical parameters

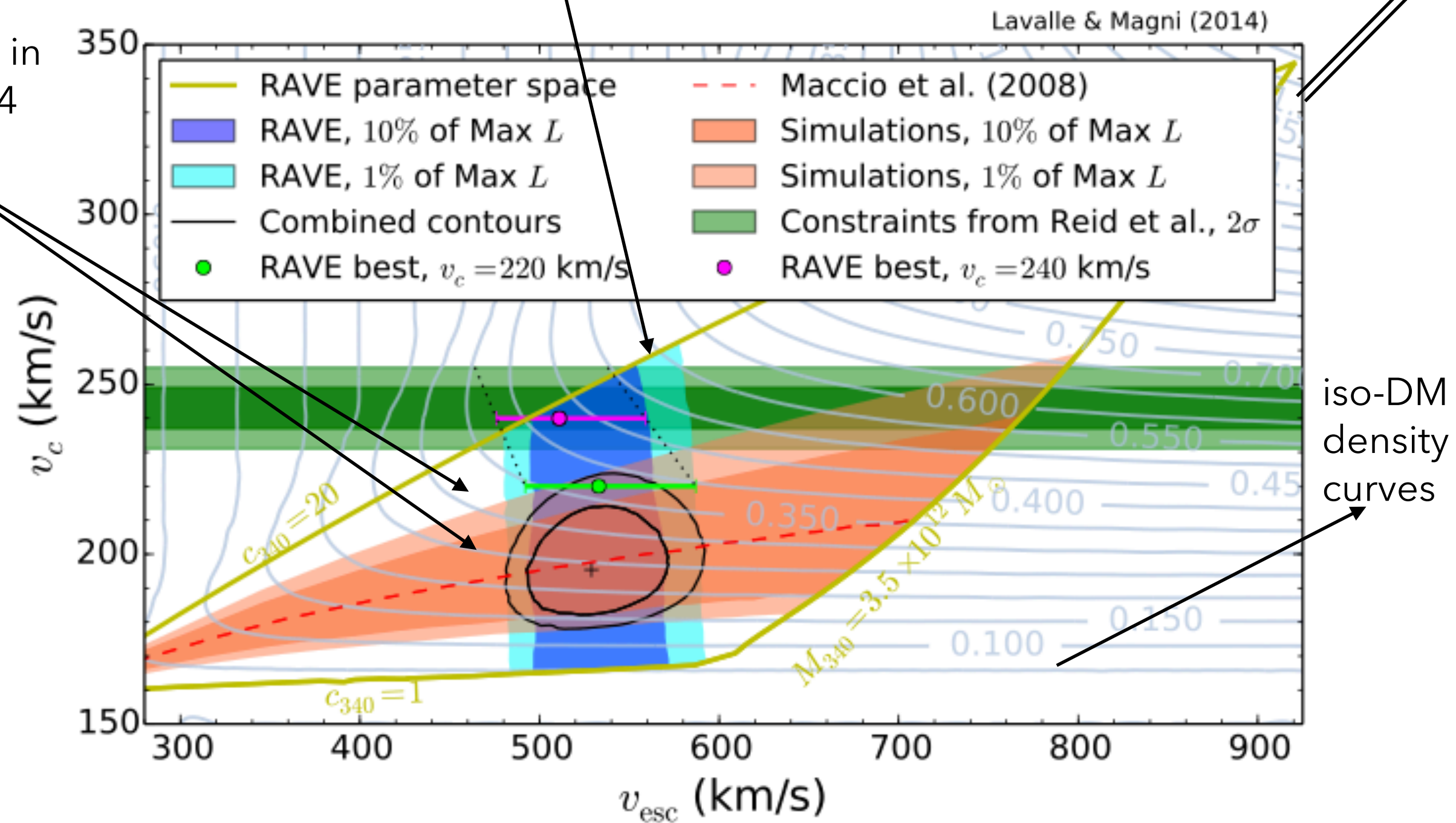
From Lavalle & Magni

Parameters of green band slide 43

| Model assumptions | v_c (km/s) | v_{esc} (km/s) | ρ_s (GeV/cm ³) | r_s (kpc) | ρ_\odot (GeV/cm ³) |
|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Prior $v_c = 220$ km/s | 220 | $533^{+54+109}_{-41-60}$ | $0.42^{+0.26+0.48}_{-0.16-0.24}$ | $16.4^{+6.6+13.6}_{-4.5-6.4}$ | $0.37^{+0.02+0.04}_{-0.03-0.04}$ |
| Prior $v_c = 240$ km/s | 240 | 511^{+48}_{-35} | $1.92^{+1.85}_{-0.82}$ | $7.8^{+3.8}_{-2.2}$ | $0.43^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$ |
| v_c free | 196^{+26}_{-18} | 537^{+44}_{-55} | $0.08^{+0.31}_{-0.07}$ | $36.7^{+50.7}_{-19.0}$ | $0.25^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$ |



Prior on v_c in RAVE 2014



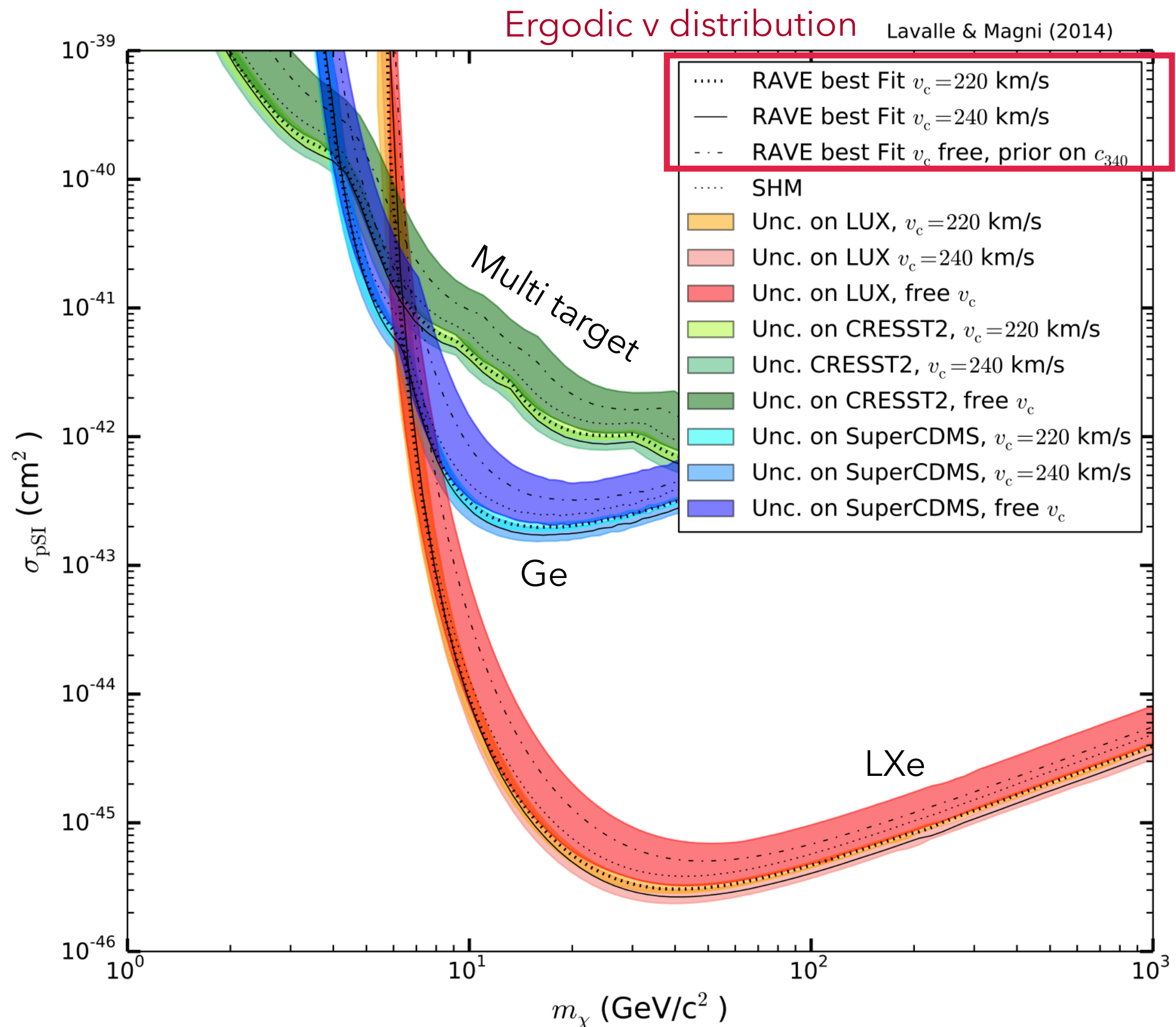
- v_c -free case includes a prior on the concentration parameter which affects the (low) result
- Beyond consistent sets: ergodic $f(v)$ instead of Maxwell-Boltzmann (MB) for spherically symmetric systems

Phys.Rev.D 91, 023510 (2015)

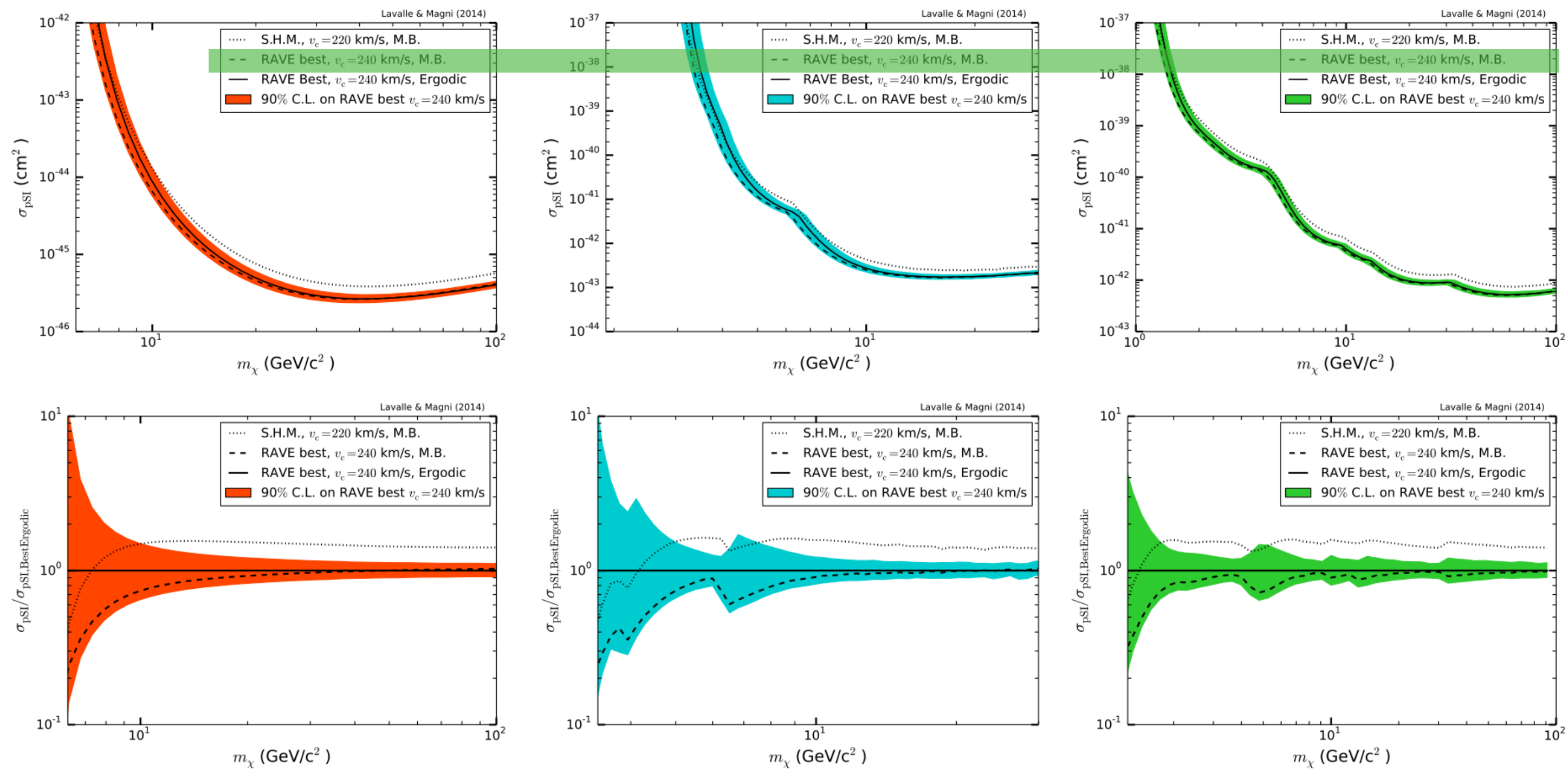
FIG. 1: P14 likelihood results converted in the plane $v_{esc}-v_c$. See text for details.

Coherent sets of astrophysical parameters

From Lavalle & Magni



Equivalent of green band slide 43



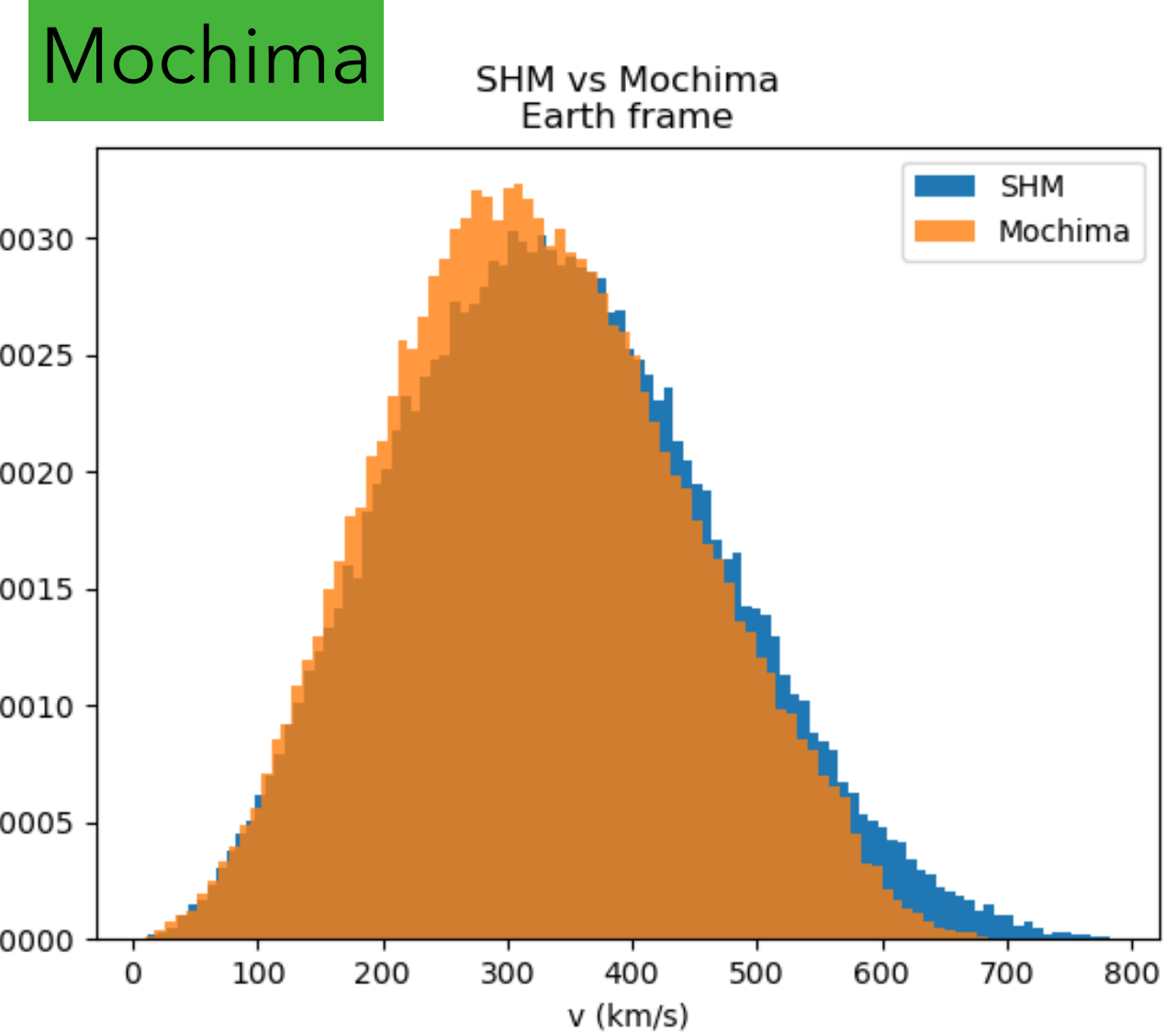
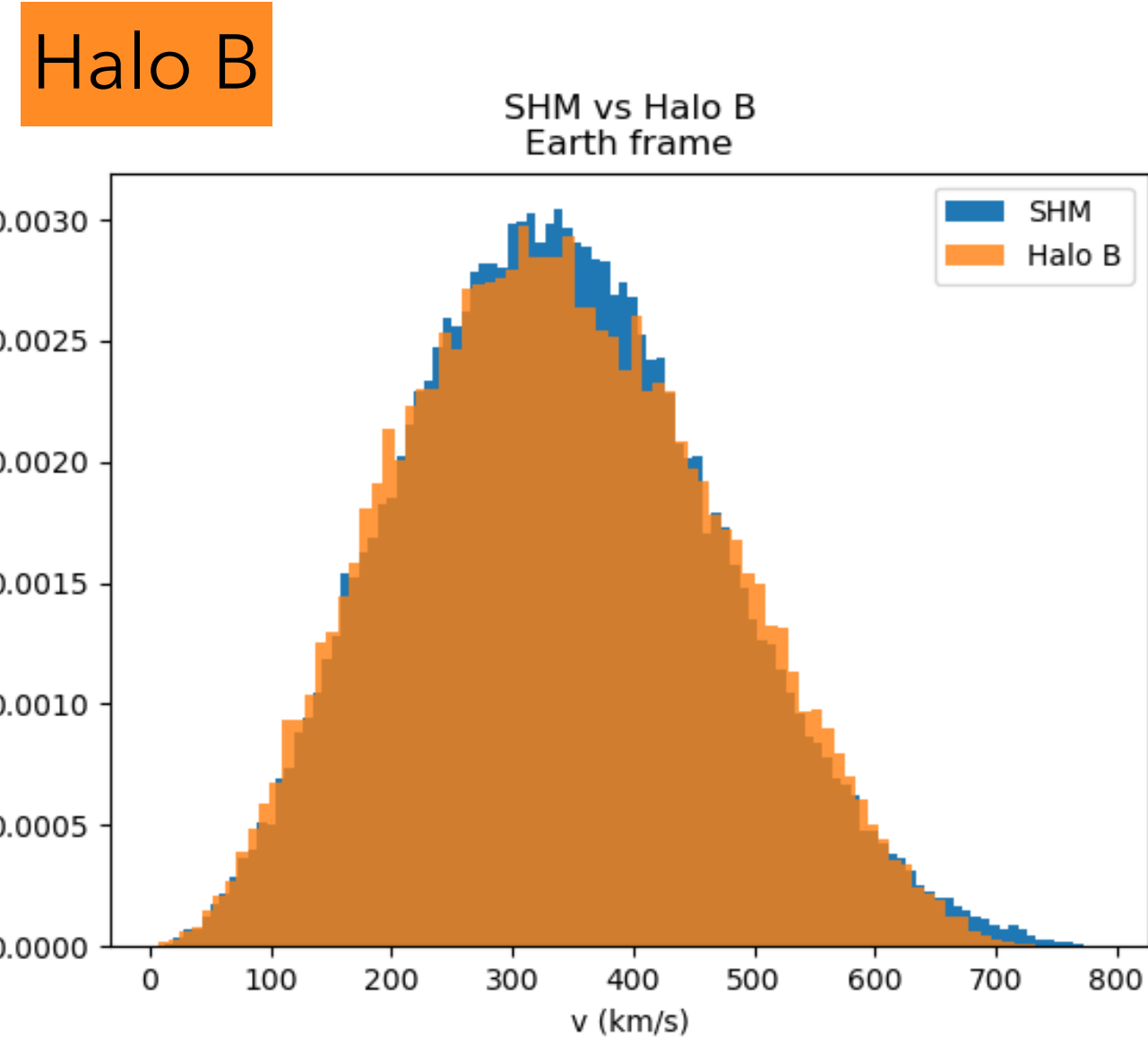
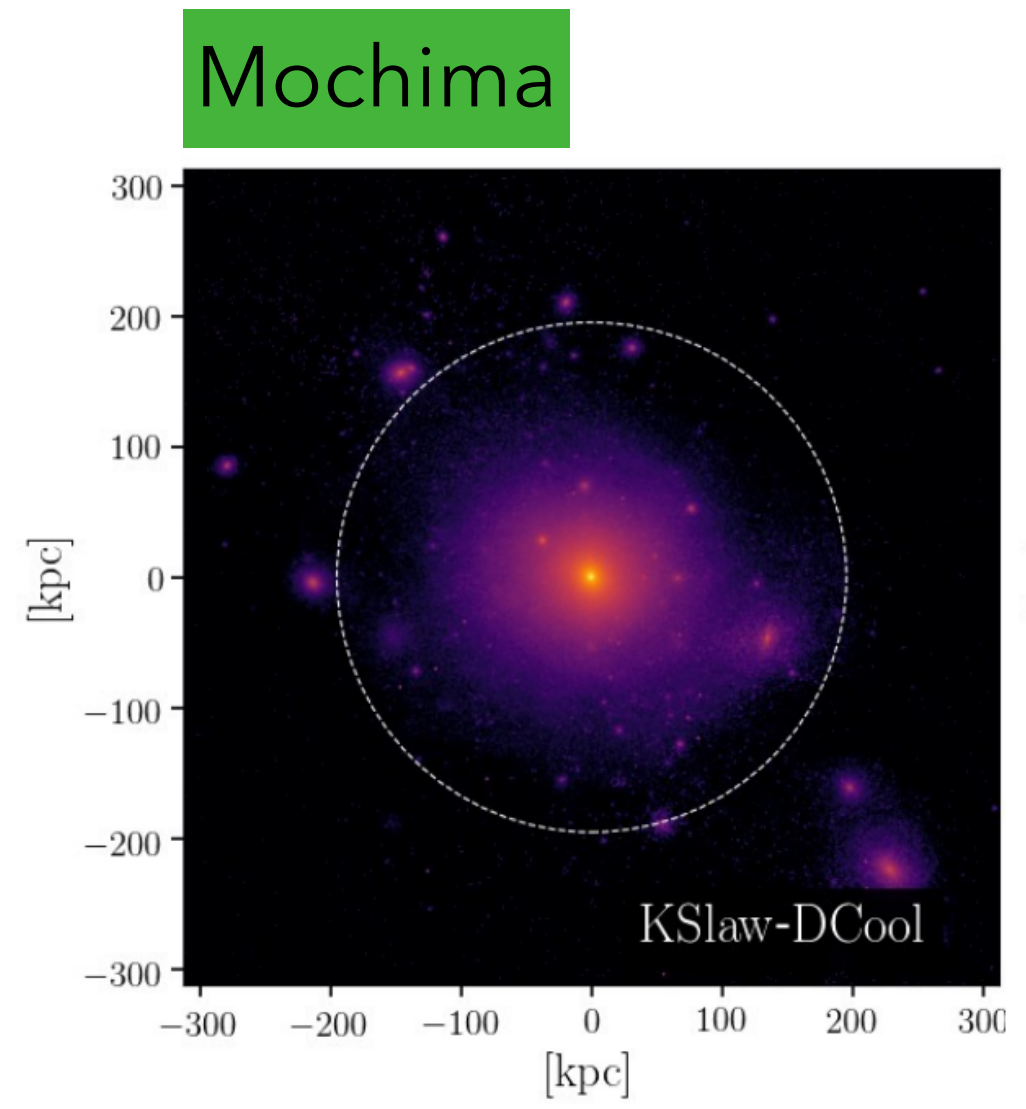
- SHM is the most conservative model (wrt ergodic and MB + RAVE best set $v_c = 240$ km/s) to use on the limit for most masses
- Beyond this: relax the prior on the concentration

Simulated dark matter halos

Cosmological simulations

Model gravitational interactions across time with a set of initial conditions (that are optimized)

The resolution of the simulation is increased in the Lagrangian volume after the first round of simulation

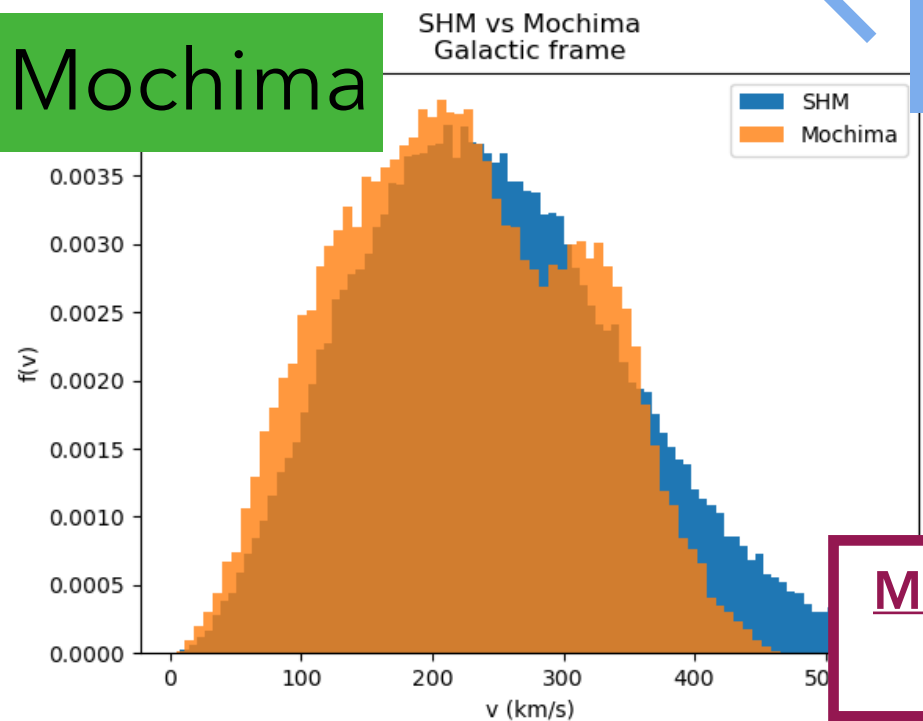
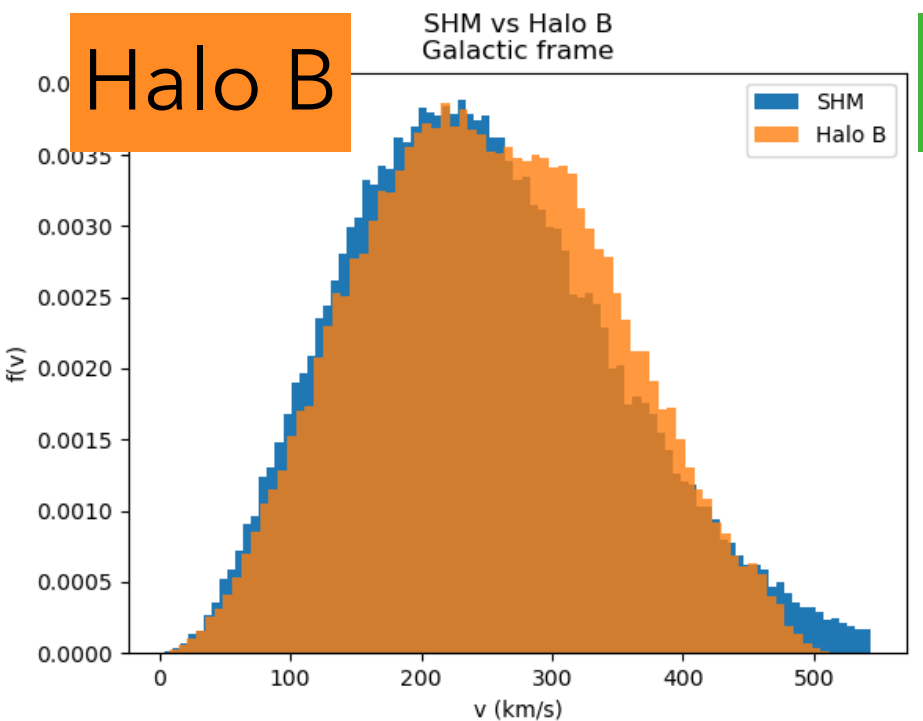


Mass distribution

Velocity distribution

Result

Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. 447 (2015)



$v_{x,gal}, v_{y,gal}, v_{z,gal}$
in the galactic frame

Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. 501 (2021)

Change of frame

Galactic to Earth frame :
 $v_{i,lab} = v_{i,gal} - v_{i,\oplus}(t)$
 $i = x, y, z$