

Halo-independent bounds on dark matter-nucleon effective interactions

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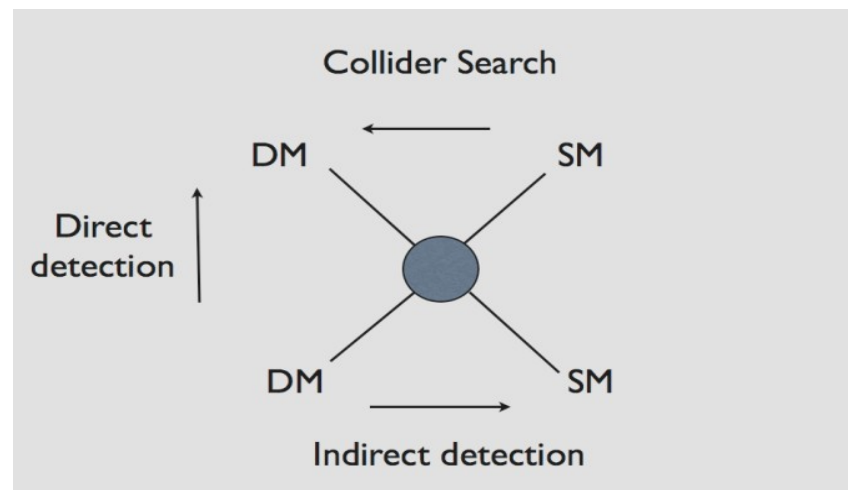
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Dark matter : WIMPs

- Dark Matter (DM) exists and provides $\sim 25\%$ of the energy density of the Universe
- Evidences of DM through gravitational effects :
galactic rotation curves, CMB anisotropy, structure formation, Bullet Cluster, etc.
- Microscopic natures of DM are still unknown
- Weakly Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs) : one of the most popular candidates for DM
 - no electric charge, no colors, stable
 - mass at the weak scale (GeV – TeV)
 - weak interactions ($\sigma v \sim 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$) keep WIMPs in thermal equilibrium in the early Universe and provide correct relic abundance through thermal decoupling

“WIMP miracle”

- WIMP searches :
 - Direct detection
 - Indirect detection
 - Collider searches

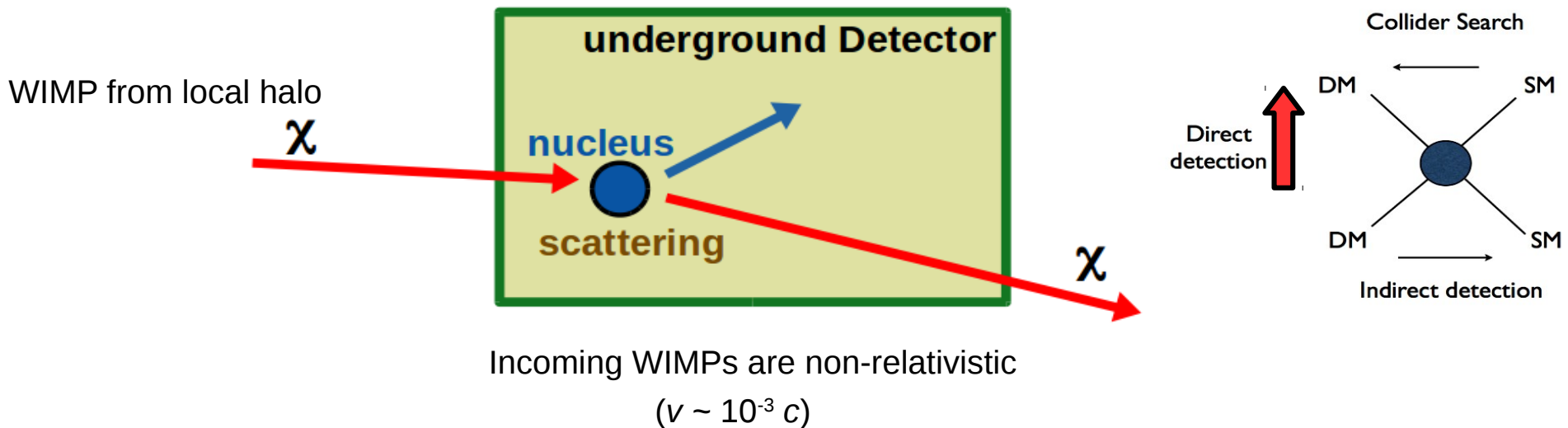


Direct Detection searches of WIMP DM

- The visible part of the Galaxy is embedded in an invisible **DM Halo**
[Evidence: galactic rotation curve]

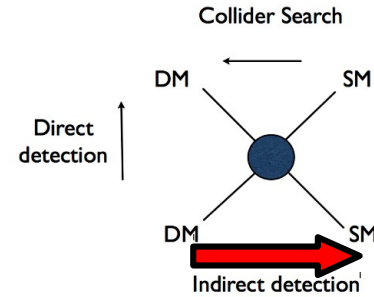
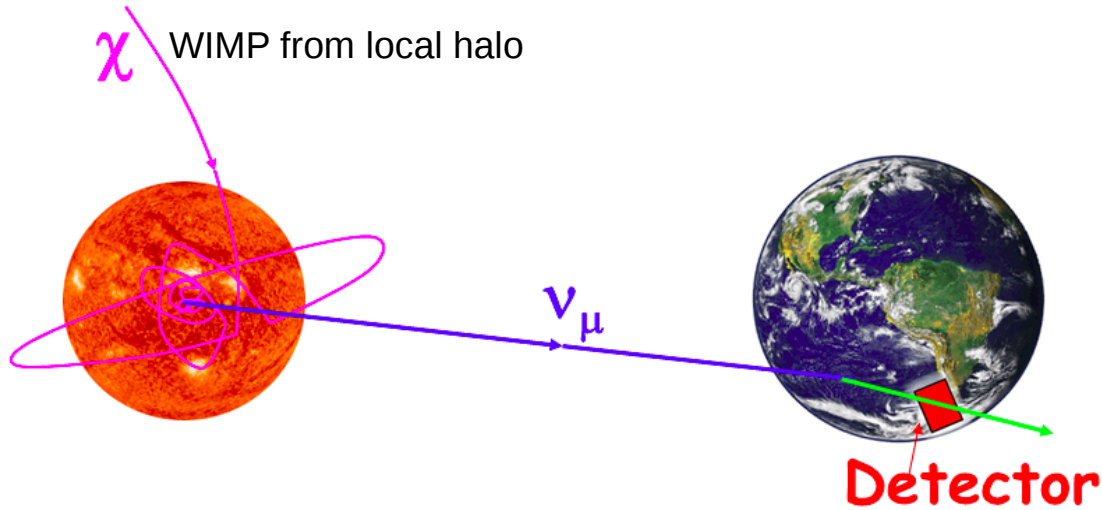


- **Direct Detection (DD)** : mainly based on the scatterings of local halo WIMPs off the nuclei in underground detectors and the observation of the corresponding nuclear recoils

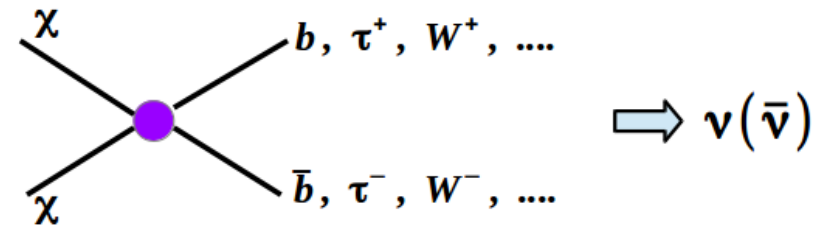


- Such measurements constrain WIMP-nucleus scattering cross-section (or WIMP-nucleon coupling) and WIMP mass m_χ

Indirect searches: annihilation of WIMPs captured in the Sun



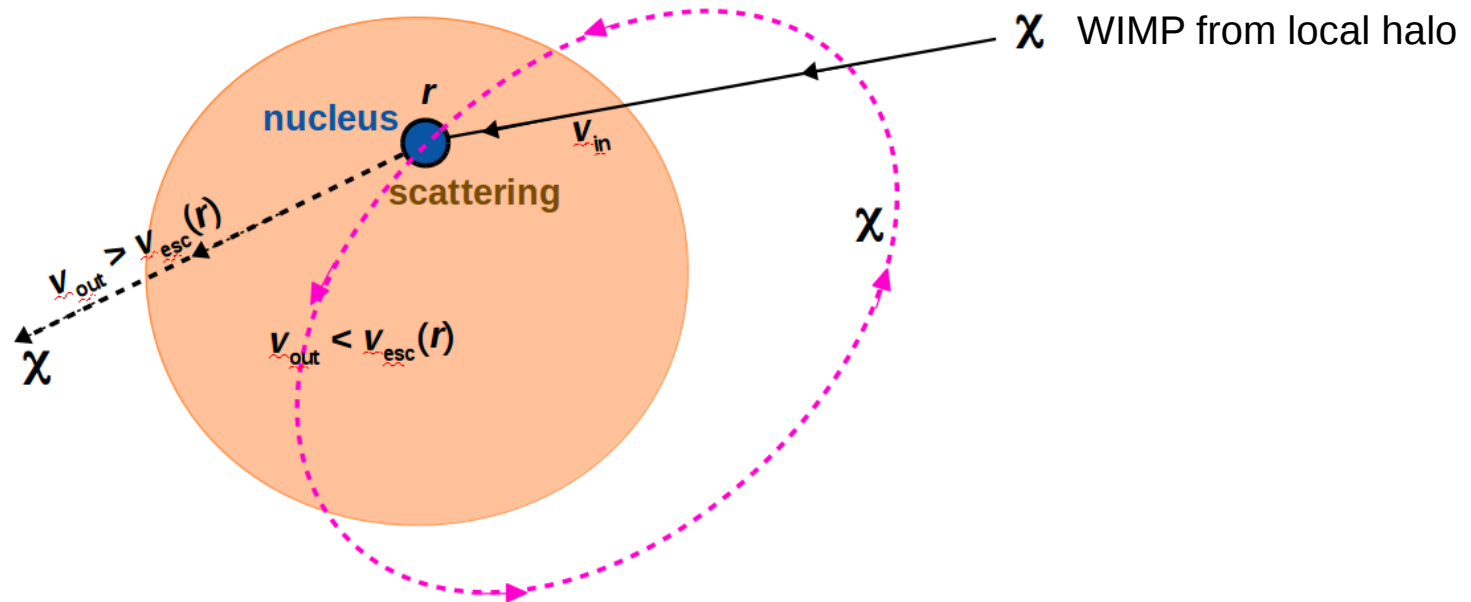
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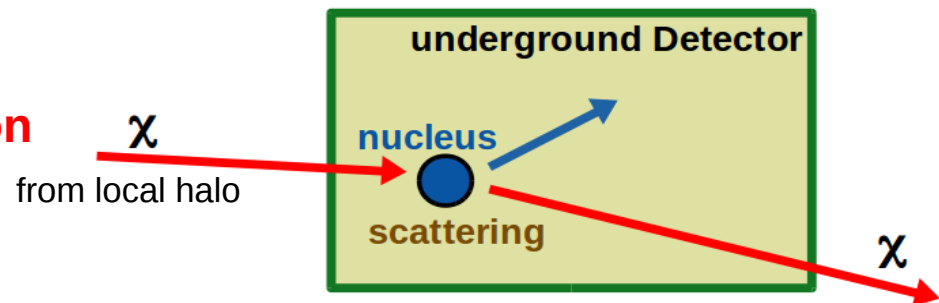
- WIMPs can be gravitationally captured in the Sun over its age and build a large population in its core
- Such a population of WIMPs can continuously annihilate in the Sun
- Among the annihilation products only ν 's can escape the Sun
 - ➡ such ν 's can be detected on Earth by [Neutrino Telescopes \(Super-K, IceCube\)](#)
- For GeV – TeV WIMPs, produced ν 's are much more energetic (> 100 MeV) than the standard solar neutrinos

“smoking-gun signal for WIMPs”

Mechanism of WIMP Capture in the Sun



- WIMP scatters off nucleus at a distance r inside the Sun
- If its outgoing speed v_{out} is below the escape velocity $v_{esc}(r)$ it gets locked into a gravitationally bound orbit
- Keeps scattering again and again until it settles down in the stellar core
- **WIMPs moving slowly in the halo are easier to capture by the Sun**
- **Capture involves same WIMP-nucleus scatterings searched in Direct Detection**



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- WIMP-nucleon interaction:

common choice: **standard spin-independent (SI)** or **spin-dependent (SD)** interaction

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- **Halo-independent approach:**

➤ Bounds on WIMP-nucleus interactions **independent of the WIMP speed distribution in the halo**

$f(u)$ \Rightarrow any possible WIMP speed distribution Only, $\int_0^{u_{\max}} f(u) du = 1$

- Is it possible to obtain such a halo-independent bound ?

Halo-independent approach

Considering a WIMP-nucleon coupling c_i , the expected number of events in a DD experiment / the expected WIMP capture rate in the Sun:

$$R(c_i^2) = \int du f(u) H(c_i^2, u) = \int du f(u) c_i^2 H(c_i = 1, u) \leq R_{\max}$$

$R_{\max} \equiv$ corresponding experimental bound

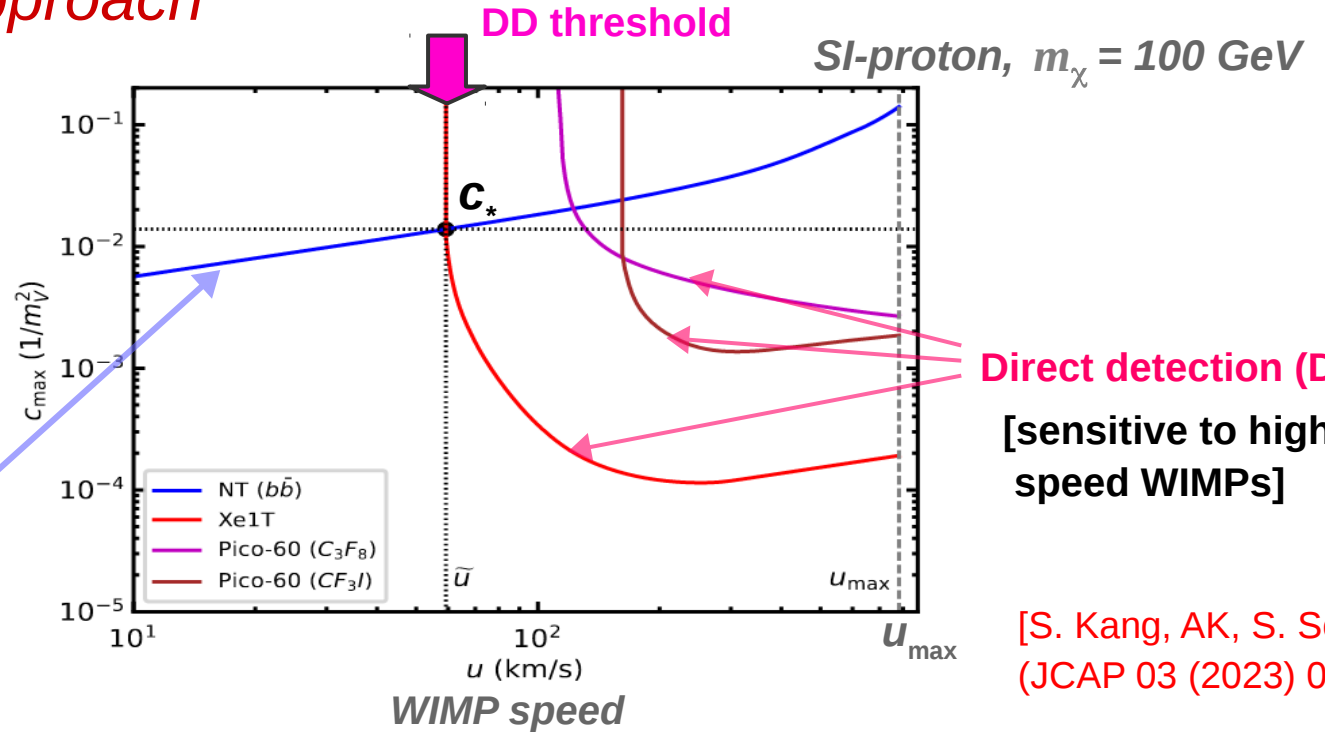
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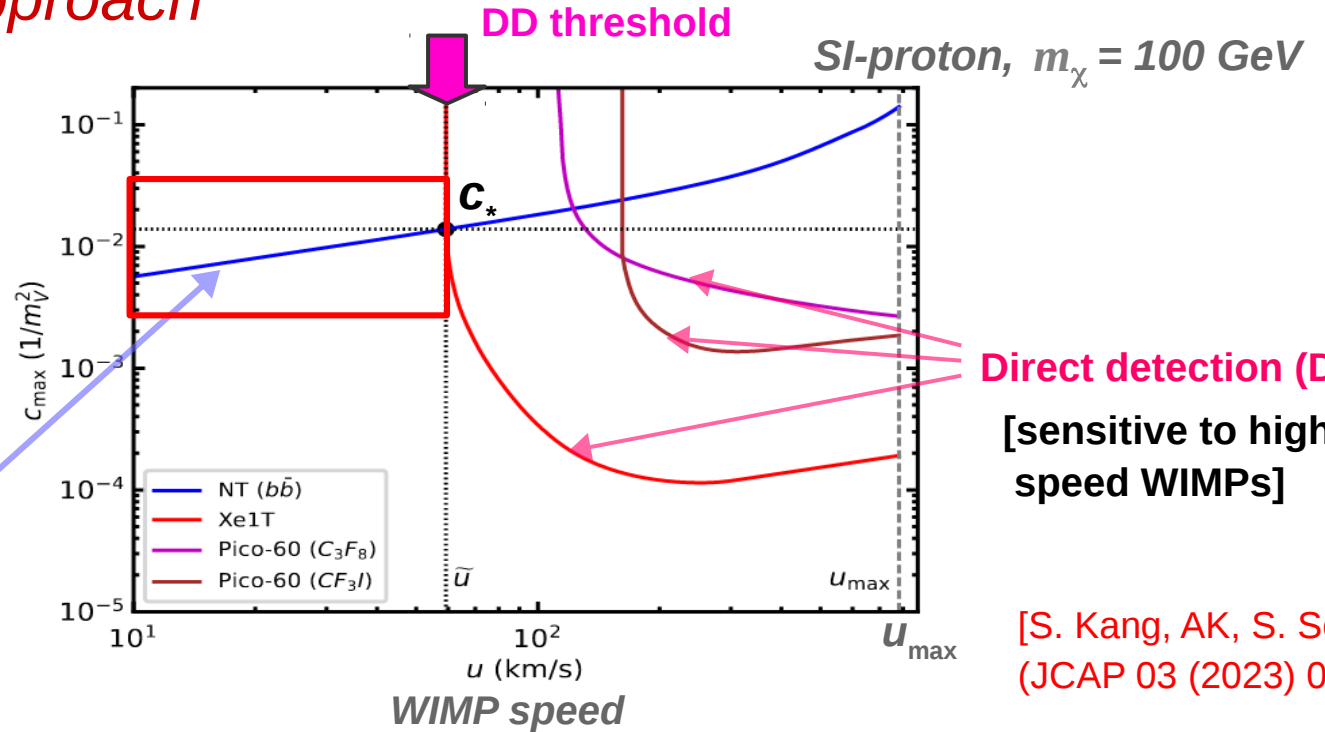
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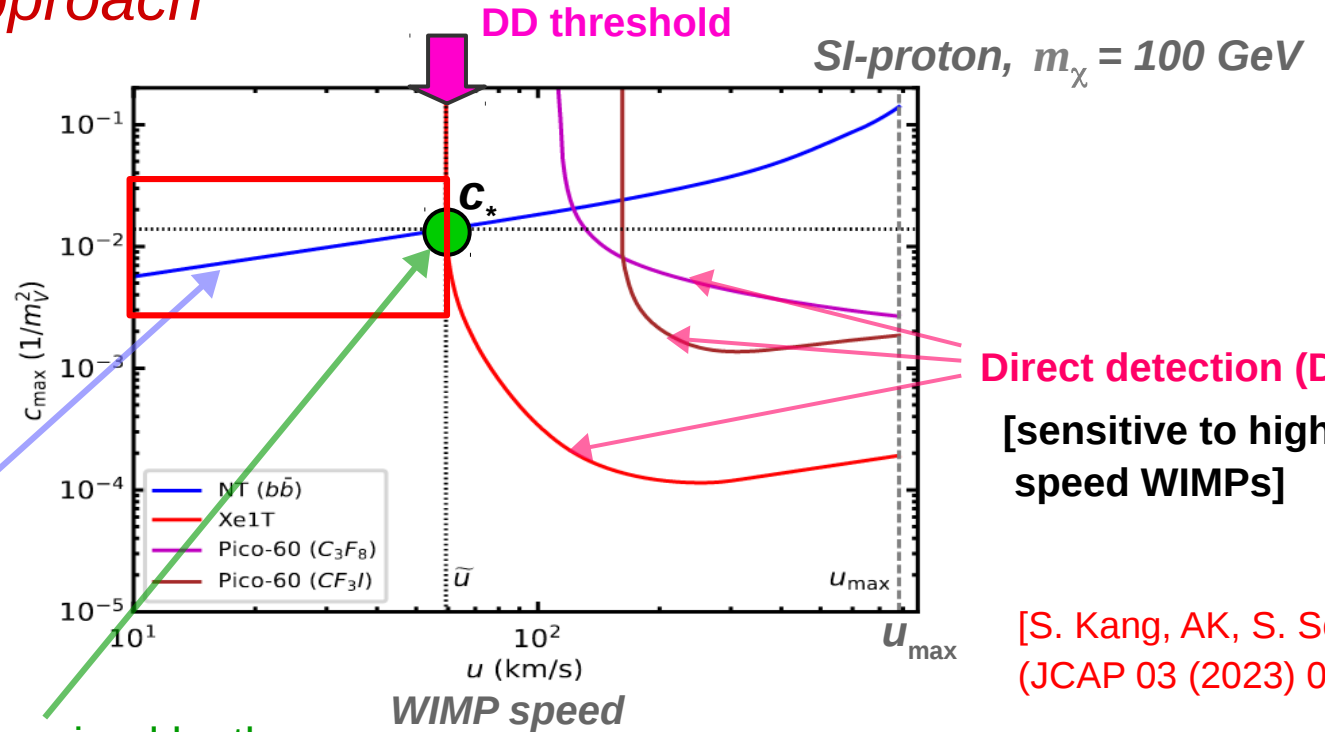
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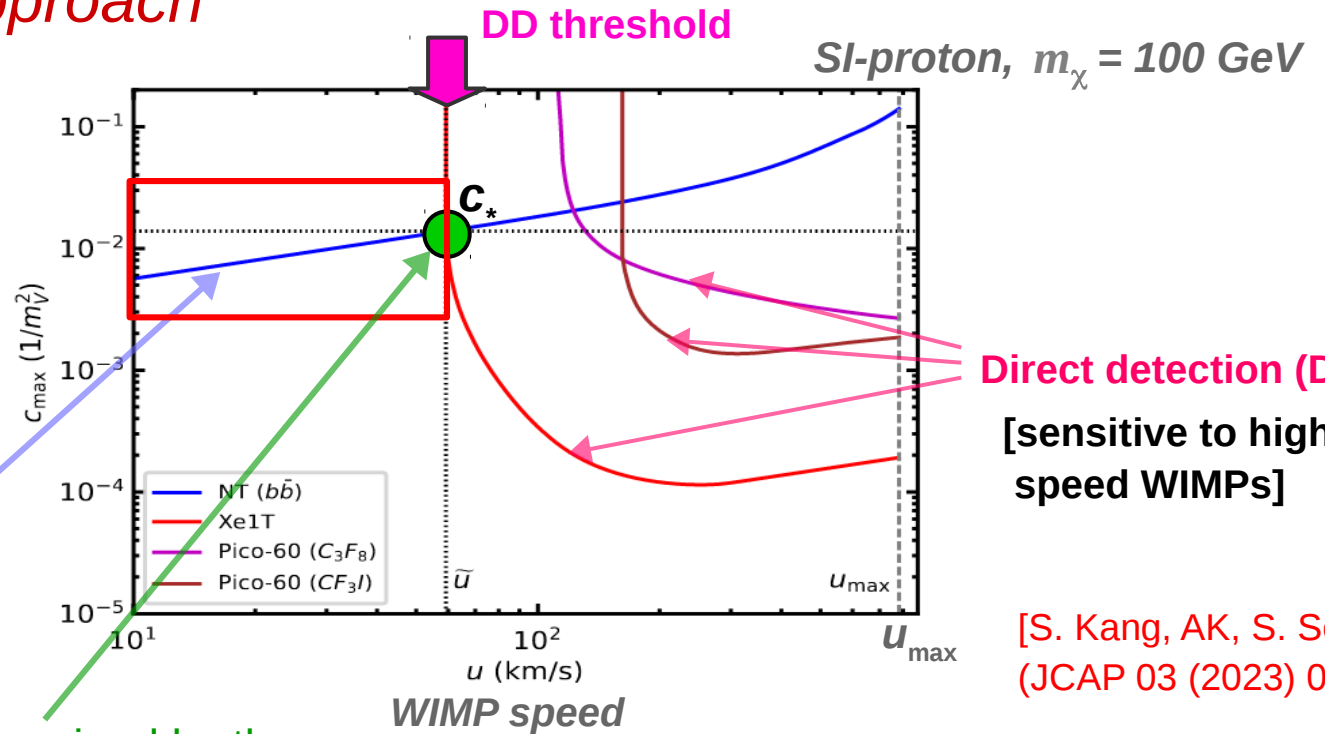
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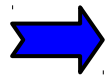
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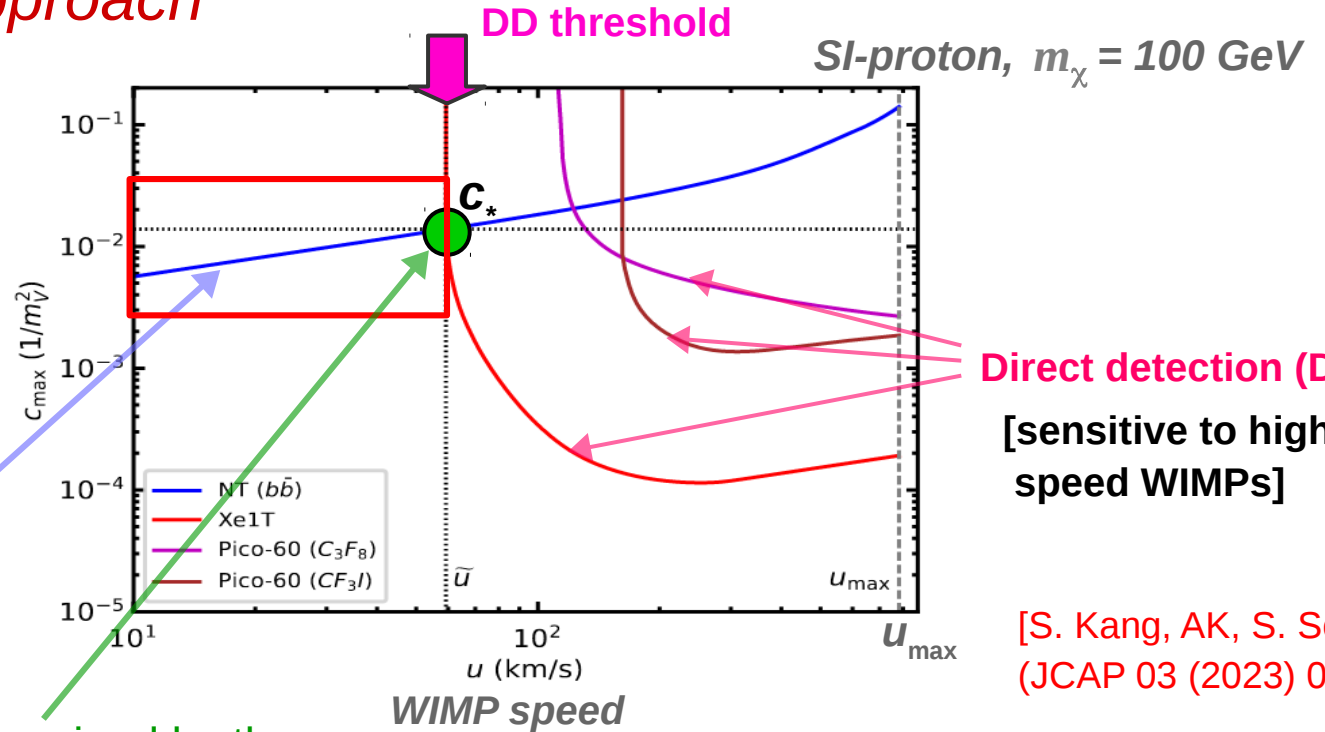
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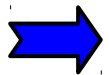
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- Application of the halo-independent method for the general structure of the WIMP-nucleus interaction (beyond standard SI / SD interactions)

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Contact interaction : $\lim_{M_0 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha_i^\tau}{q^2 + M_0^2} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha_i^\tau}{M_0^2} \equiv c_i^\tau$

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- All \mathcal{O}_i 's in the effective \mathcal{H} can be constructed out of 4 vectors:

$$i \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N}, \quad \vec{v}^\perp, \quad \vec{S}_\chi, \quad \vec{S}_N$$

$m_N \equiv$ nucleon mass ; $\vec{q} \equiv$ transferred momentum ; $\vec{v}^\perp \cdot \vec{q} = 0$

All NR operators for a
WIMP of spin $\frac{1}{2}$
(up to linear terms in the
WIMP velocity \vec{v})

$\mathcal{O}_1 = 1_\chi 1_N$ (standard SI)	$\mathcal{O}_9 = i \vec{S}_\chi \cdot (\vec{S}_N \times \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})$
$\mathcal{O}_3 = i \vec{S}_N \cdot (\frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \times \vec{v}^\perp)$	$\mathcal{O}_{10} = i \vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N}$
$\mathcal{O}_4 = \vec{S}_\chi \cdot \vec{S}_N$ (standard SD)	$\mathcal{O}_{11} = i \vec{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N}$
$\mathcal{O}_5 = i \vec{S}_\chi \cdot (\frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \times \vec{v}^\perp)$	$\mathcal{O}_{12} = \vec{S}_\chi \cdot (\vec{S}_N \times \vec{v}^\perp)$
$\mathcal{O}_6 = (\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})(\vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})$	$\mathcal{O}_{13} = i(\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \vec{v}^\perp)(\vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})$
$\mathcal{O}_7 = \vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{v}^\perp$	$\mathcal{O}_{14} = i(\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})(\vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{v}^\perp)$
$\mathcal{O}_8 = \vec{S}_\chi \cdot \vec{v}^\perp$	$\mathcal{O}_{15} = -(\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})((\vec{S}_N \times \vec{v}^\perp) \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})$

- These \mathcal{O}_i 's are the most general building blocks of the low-energy effective theory of WIMP-nucleus scattering

[Fitzpatrick *et al.* (JCAP02(2013)004)] , [Anand *et al.* (PRC 89, 065501 (2014))] , [Catena *et al.* (JCAP04(2015)042)]
[Bishara *et al.* (JHEP11(2017)059)]

Direct Detection (DD) events & Capture rate

- Expected WIMP induced events in a DD experiment :

$$R_{\text{DD}} = \int du f(u) H_{\text{DD}}(u)$$

$$H_{\text{DD}}(u) = M \tau_{\text{exp}} \left(\frac{\rho_{\odot}}{m_{\chi}} \right) u \sum_{\boxed{T \in \text{DD targets}}} N_T \int_{E_{\text{Rth}}}^{2\mu_{\chi T}^2 u^2 / m_T} dE_R \epsilon(E_R) \underbrace{\left[\frac{d\sigma_T}{dE_R} \right]}_{\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\tau=0,1} \sum_i c_i^{\tau} \mathcal{O}_i}$$

- Capture rate of WIMPs in the Sun :

$$C_{\odot} = \int du f(u) H_C(u)$$

$$\rho_{\odot} \simeq 0.3 \text{ GeVcm}^{-3}$$

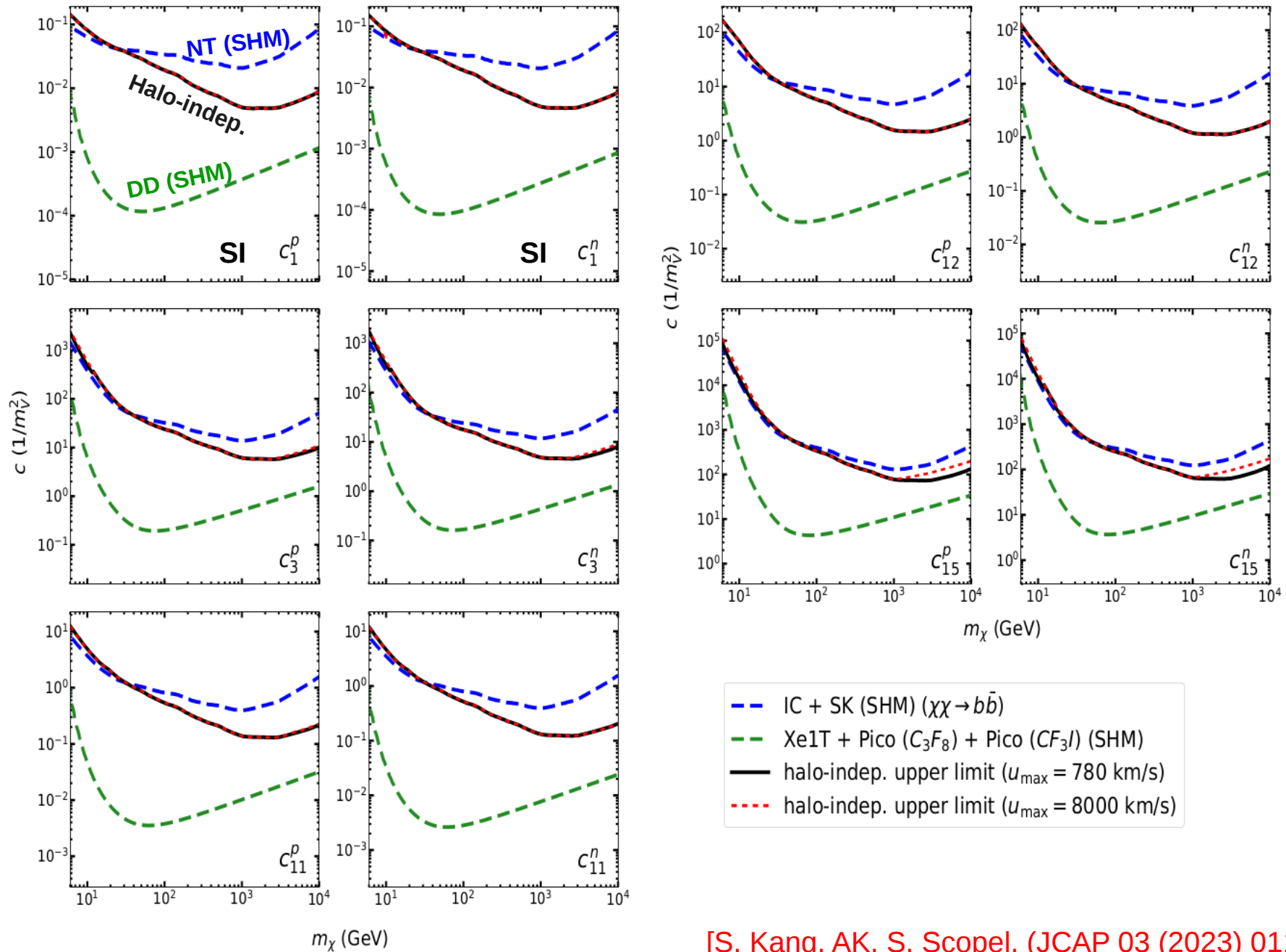
$$H_C(u) = \left(\frac{\rho_{\odot}}{m_{\chi}} \right) \frac{1}{u} \int_0^{R_{\odot}} dr 4\pi r^2 w^2 \times \sum_{\boxed{T \in \text{Solar nuclei}}} n_T(r) \Theta(u_T^{\text{C-max}} - u) \int_{m_{\chi} u^2 / 2}^{2\mu_{\chi T}^2 w^2 / m_T} dE_R \underbrace{\left[\frac{d\sigma_T}{dE_R} \right]}_{\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\tau=0,1} \sum_i c_i^{\tau} \mathcal{O}_i}$$

$$w^2 = u^2 + v_{\text{esc}}^2(r) \quad u_T^{\text{C-max}} = v_{\text{esc}}(r) \sqrt{\frac{4m_{\chi} m_T}{(m_{\chi} - m_T)^2}}$$

The neutrino flux at Earth :

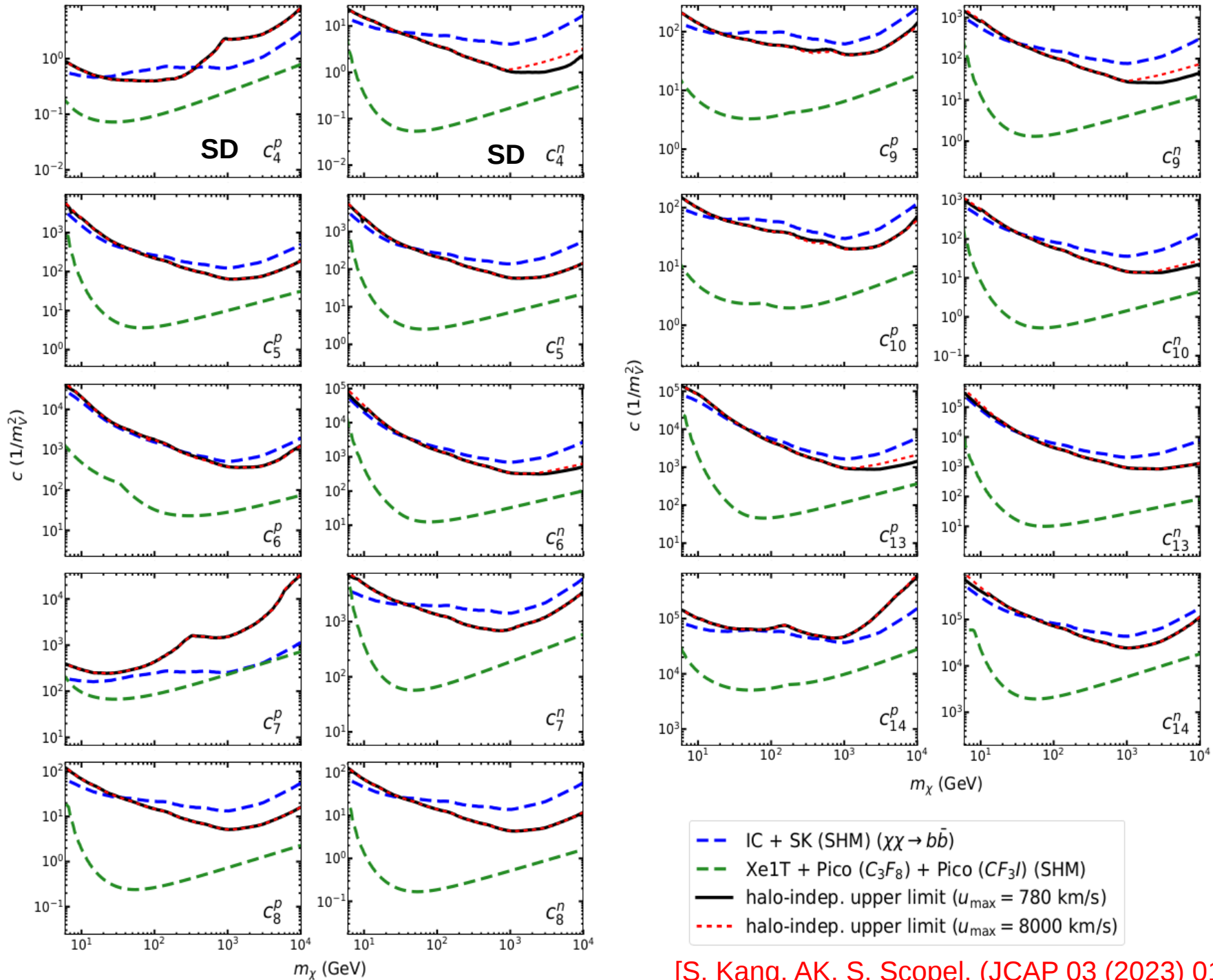
$$\frac{d\phi_{\nu}}{dE_{\nu}} = \frac{\Gamma_{\odot}(C_{\odot}, m_{\chi})}{4\pi d_{\odot}^2} \frac{dN_{\nu}}{dE_{\nu}}$$

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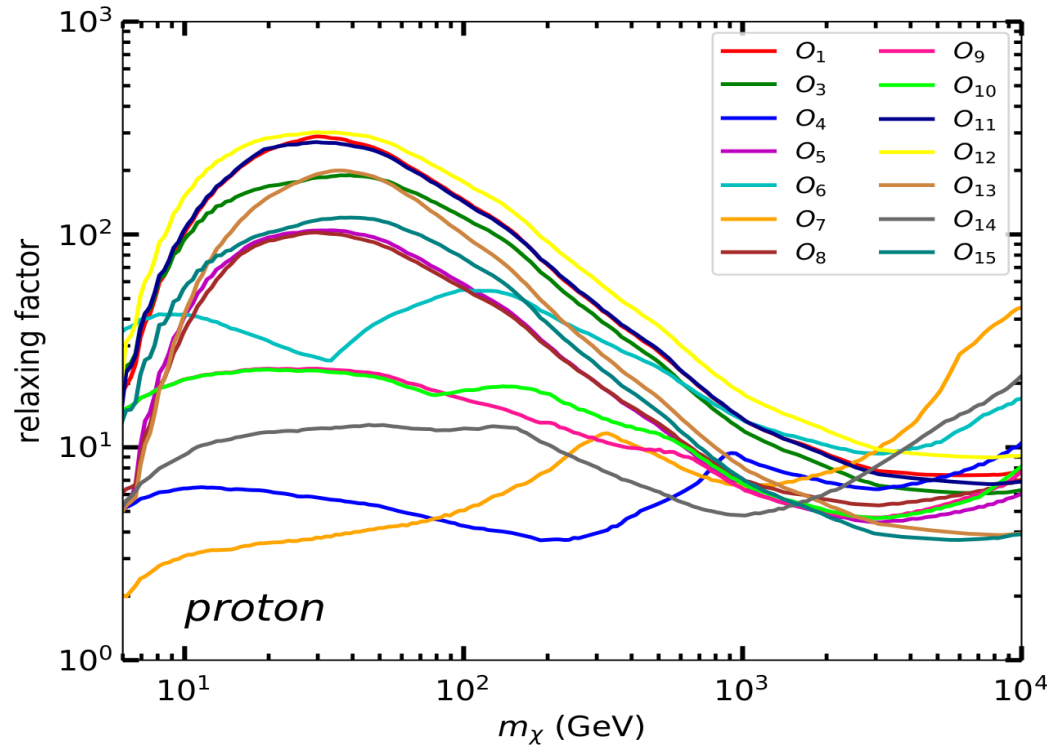
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Relaxing factor

$$\text{relaxing factor} \equiv \frac{(c_i)_{\text{halo-indep.}}}{(c_i)_{\text{SHM}}} \left(\approx \frac{\sqrt{2} c_*}{(c_i)_{\text{SHM}}} \right)$$

ratio between halo-independent bound and Standard Halo Model (SHM)



relaxing factor for WIMP-proton couplings

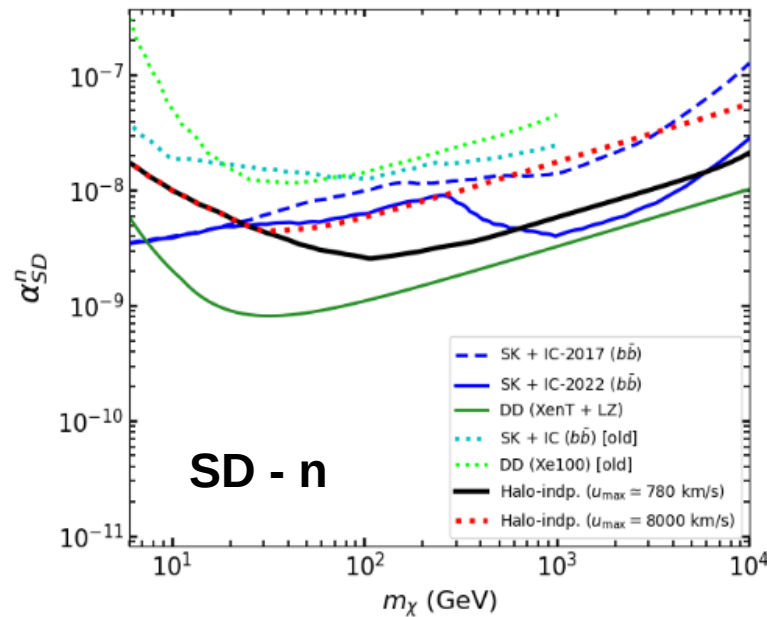
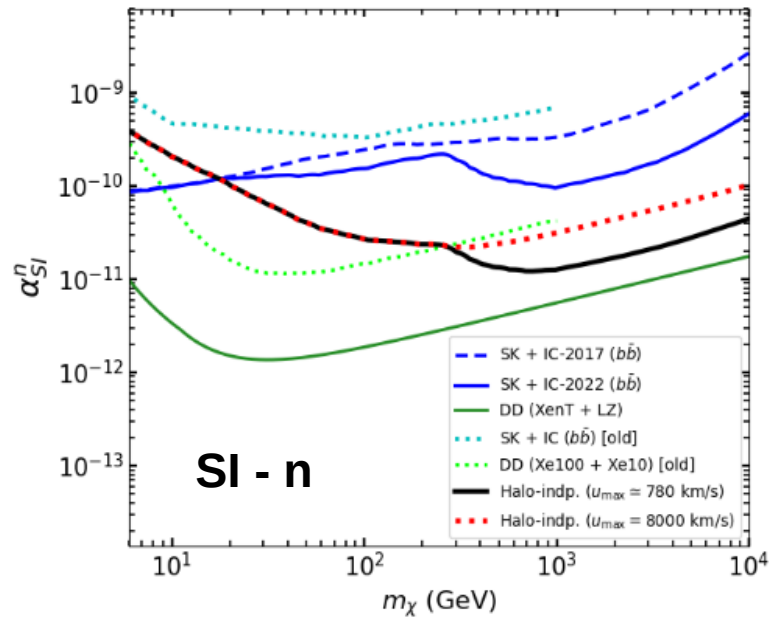
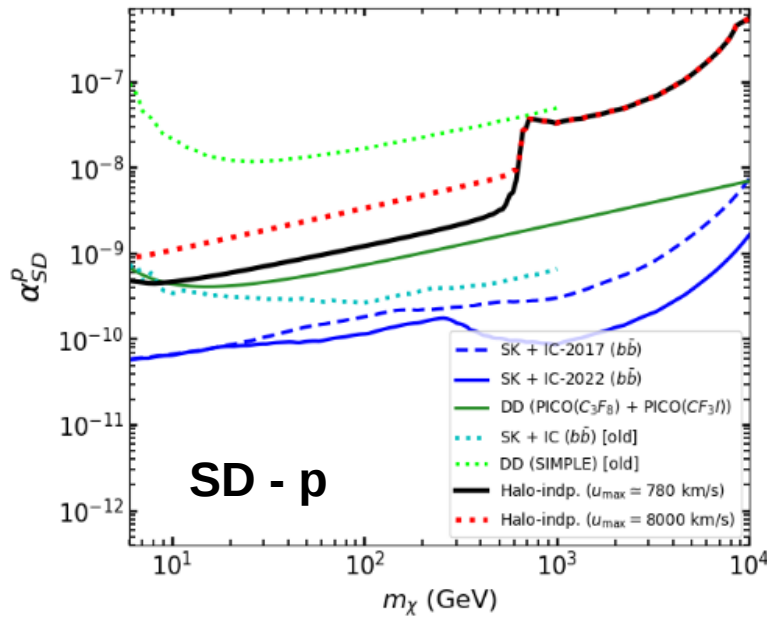
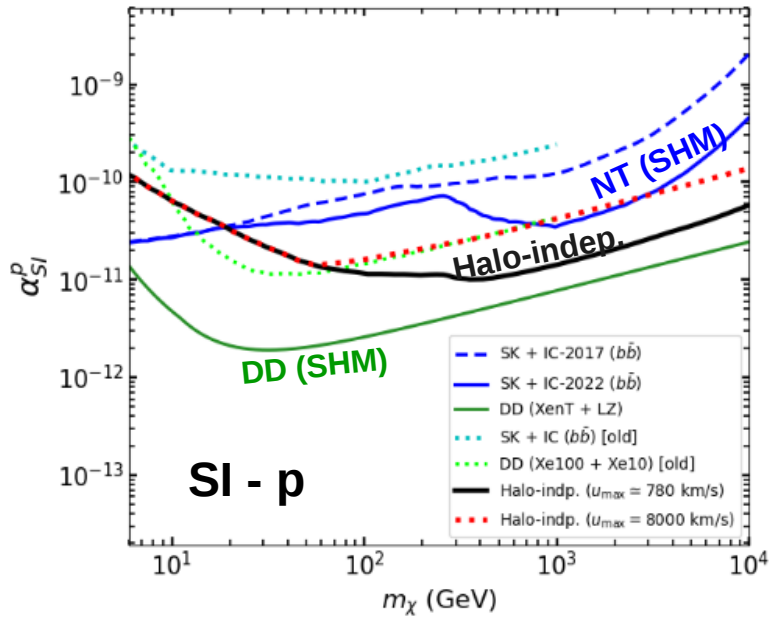
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- Moderate relaxing factors for low and high m_χ
- Moderate relaxing factors (in the intermediate m_χ range) for “spin-dependent” type operators:

$$\mathcal{O}_4, \mathcal{O}_7 (q^0); \quad \mathcal{O}_9, \mathcal{O}_{10}, \mathcal{O}_{14} (q^2); \quad \mathcal{O}_6 (q^4)$$

- Small relaxing factor \Rightarrow SHM is not a very optimistic assumption

Halo-independent bounds on Long-range WIMP-nucleon interactions



$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_i \sum_{\tau=0,1} c_i^\tau \mathcal{O}_{i\tau}$$

$$c_i^\tau \equiv \frac{\alpha_i^\tau}{q^2 + M_0^2}$$

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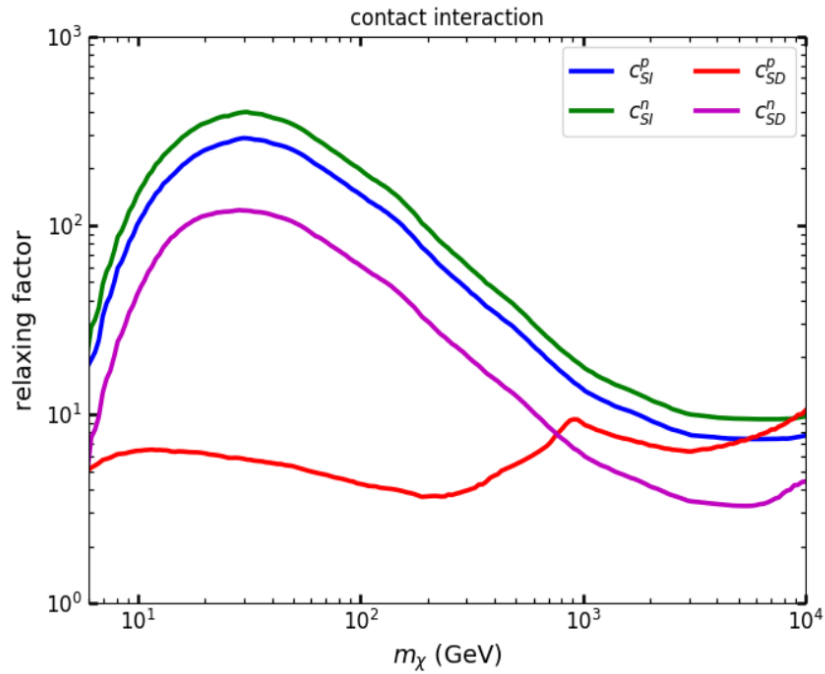
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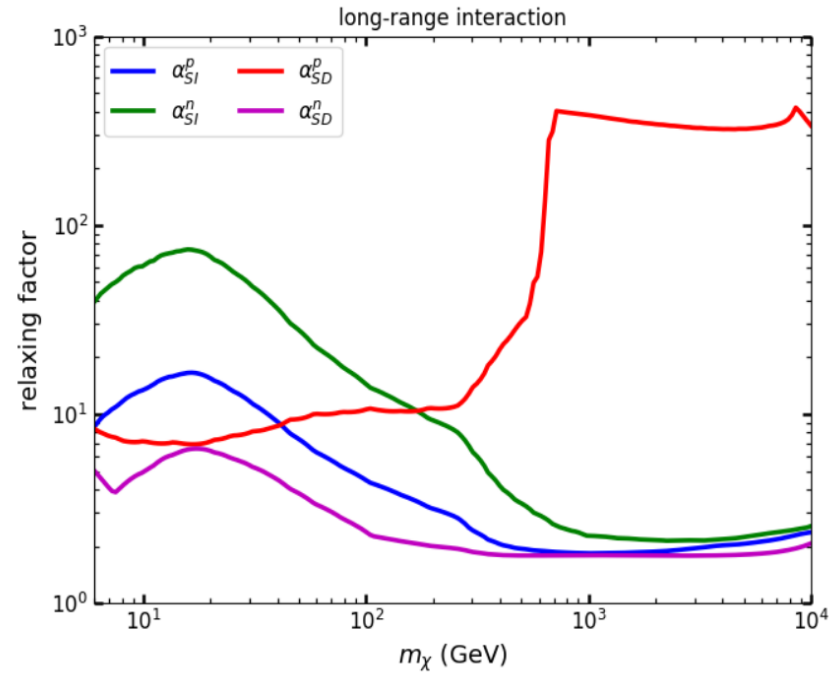
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Contact



Long-range



Summary

- Combining DM Direct Detections with Neutrino Telescopes (looking for ν 's from annihilations of WIMPs captured in the Sun) it is possible to obtain halo-independent bounds on WIMP-nucleon interactions
- We obtain halo-independent bounds on different couplings of the non-relativistic effective \mathcal{H} that drives the WIMP (spin $1/2$) - nuclei scattering
- For most of the couplings, the relaxation of the halo-independent bounds compared to those obtained for the Standard Halo Model (SHM) is relatively moderate in the low and high m_χ regimes
- For some of the effective couplings (e.g., “SD”-types), such relaxations can be more moderate (within an order of magnitude)
 - ➡ SHM is not a very optimistic choice
- One single coupling is considered at a time
 - ➡ a first step towards the general scenario involving multiple NR operators at the same time

Thank
you 

Backup slides

Neutrino signal from the annihilation of WIMPs captured in the Sun

$$\frac{dN_\chi}{dt} = \underbrace{C_\odot}_{\text{Capture rate}} - \underbrace{C_A N_\chi^2}_{2 \times \text{Annihilation rate}}$$

Solution : $N_\chi(t_\odot) = \sqrt{\frac{C_\odot}{C_A}} \tanh\left(\frac{t_\odot}{\tau_\odot}\right)$ $t_\odot \rightarrow$ age of the Sun
 $\tau_\odot \rightarrow$ equilibration time between capture and annihilation

where $\frac{t_\odot}{\tau_\odot} = 330 \left(\frac{C_\odot}{\text{s}^{-1}}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\langle\sigma v\rangle}{\text{cm}^3\text{s}^{-1}}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{10\text{GeV}}\right)^{3/4}$ [Jungman, Kamionkowski & Griest, Phys.Rept. 267 (1996) 195-373]

$\langle\sigma v\rangle \rightarrow$ WIMP annihilation cross-section times velocity

Annihilation rate : $\Gamma_\odot = C_A \frac{N_\chi^2}{2} = \frac{C_\odot}{2} \tanh^2\left(\frac{t_\odot}{\tau_\odot}\right)$

Assuming $\langle\sigma v\rangle \simeq 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ (gives correct relic density of WIMPs through thermal decoupling)

$$\Gamma_\odot = \Gamma_\odot (C_\odot, m_\chi)$$

The neutrino flux at Earth : $\frac{d\phi_\nu}{dE_\nu} = \frac{\Gamma_\odot (C_\odot, m_\chi)}{4\pi d_\odot^2} \frac{dN_\nu}{dE_\nu}$

WIMP–nucleus scattering in Effective theory

- **Differential cross-section of WIMP-nucleus scattering :**

(required for calculating both DD signal and capture rate in the Sun for WIMPs)

$$E_R : \text{recoil energy} \quad \frac{d\sigma_T}{dE_R} = \frac{2m_T}{4\pi v^2} \left[\frac{1}{2j_\chi + 1} \frac{1}{2j_T + 1} |\mathcal{M}_T|^2 \right]$$

[Fitzpatrick *et al.* (JCAP02(2013)004)] , [Anand *et al.* (PRC 89, 065501 (2014))] , [Catena *et al.* (JCAP04(2015)042)]

$$|\mathcal{M}_T|^2 = 4\pi(2j_\chi + 1) \sum_{\tau=0,1} \sum_{\tau'=0,1} \sum_k R_k^{\tau\tau'} \left[(c_i^\tau)^2, (v^\perp)^2, \frac{q^2}{m_N^2} \right] W_{Tk}^{\tau\tau'}(q)$$

$$(v^\perp)^2 = v^2 - v_{\min}^2, \quad v_{\min}^2 = \frac{q^2}{4\mu_{\chi T}^2} = \frac{m_T E_R}{2\mu_{\chi T}^2}, \quad q^2 = 2m_T E_R$$

WIMP response functions: $R_k^{\tau\tau'} = R_{0k}^{\tau\tau'} + R_{1k}^{\tau\tau'}(v^2 - v_{\min}^2)$

Nuclear response functions (form factor): $W_{Tk}^{\tau\tau'}(q)$

$k = M, \Phi'', \tilde{\Phi}', \Sigma'', \Sigma', \Delta$

(index representing different effective nuclear operators)

Details of the Operator structure in Effective theory

operator	$R_{0k}^{\tau\tau'}$	$R_{1k}^{\tau\tau'}$	operator	$R_{0k}^{\tau\tau'}$	$R_{1k}^{\tau\tau'}$
1	$M(q^0)$	-	3	$\Phi''(q^4)$	$\Sigma'(q^2)$
4	$\Sigma''(q^0), \Sigma'(q^0)$	-	5	$\Delta(q^4)$	$M(q^2)$
6	$\Sigma''(q^4)$	-	7	-	$\Sigma'(q^0)$
8	$\Delta(q^2)$	$M(q^0)$	9	$\Sigma'(q^2)$	-
10	$\Sigma''(q^2)$	-	11	$M(q^2)$	-
12	$\Phi''(q^2), \tilde{\Phi}'(q^2)$	$\Sigma''(q^0), \Sigma'(q^0)$	13	$\tilde{\Phi}'(q^4)$	$\Sigma''(q^2)$
14	-	$\Sigma'(q^2)$	15	$\Phi''(q^6)$	$\Sigma'(q^4)$

index k corresponding to each operator \mathcal{O}_i , for the velocity-independent and the velocity-dependent components parts of the WIMP response function. The power of q in the WIMP response function is in parenthesis.

Direct Detection (DD) events & Capture rate

- Expected WIMP induced events in a DD experiment :

$$R_{\text{DD}} = \int du f(u) H_{\text{DD}}(u)$$

$$H_{\text{DD}}(u) = M \tau_{\text{exp}} \left(\frac{\rho_{\odot}}{m_{\chi}} \right) u \sum_{T \in \text{DD targets}} N_T \int_{E_{R\text{th}}}^{2\mu_{\chi T}^2 u^2 / m_T} dE_R \epsilon(E_R) \underbrace{\left[\frac{d\sigma_T}{dE_R} \right]}_{\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\tau=0,1} \sum_i c_i^{\tau} \mathcal{O}_i}$$

- Capture rate of WIMPs in the Sun :

$$C_{\odot} = \int du f(u) H_C(u)$$

$$\rho_{\odot} \simeq 0.3 \text{ GeVcm}^{-3}$$

$$H_C(u) = \left(\frac{\rho_{\odot}}{m_{\chi}} \right) \frac{1}{u} \int_0^{R_{\odot}} dr 4\pi r^2 w^2 \times \sum_{T \in \text{Solar nuclei}} n_T(r) \Theta(u_T^{\text{C-max}} - u) \int_{m_{\chi} u^2 / 2}^{2\mu_{\chi T}^2 w^2 / m_T} dE_R \underbrace{\left[\frac{d\sigma_T}{dE_R} \right]}_{\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\tau=0,1} \sum_i c_i^{\tau} \mathcal{O}_i}$$

The neutrino flux at Earth :

$$\frac{d\phi_{\nu}}{dE_{\nu}} = \frac{\Gamma_{\odot}(C_{\odot}, m_{\chi})}{4\pi d_{\odot}^2} \frac{dN_{\nu}}{dE_{\nu}}$$

Halo-independent approach : Methodology

Considering a WIMP-nucleon coupling c_i , the expected number of events in a DD experiment / the expected WIMP capture rate in the Sun:

$$R_{\text{exp}}(c_i^2) = \int du f(u) H_{\text{exp}}(c_i^2, u) \leq R_{\text{max}}$$

$R_{\text{max}} \equiv$ corresponding experimental bound

Define

$$c_{i \text{ max}}^2(u) = \frac{R_{\text{max}}}{H_{\text{exp}}(c_i = 1, u)}$$

Using $H_{\text{exp}}(c_i^2, u) = c_i^2 H_{\text{exp}}(c_i = 1, u)$,

$$H_{\text{exp}}(c_{i \text{ max}}^2(u), u) = c_{i \text{ max}}^2(u) H_{\text{exp}}(c_i = 1, u) = R_{\text{max}}$$

$c_{i \text{ max}}(u) \equiv$ upper-limit on c_i when all WIMPs are in a single speed stream u

Halo-independent approach : Methodology

$$R(c_i^2) = \int_0^{u_{\max}} du f(u) H(c_i^2, u) \leq R_{\max}$$

Since $H(c_i^2, u) = c_i^2 H(c_i = 1, u)$, one can write

$$\begin{aligned} R(c_i^2) &= \int_0^{u_{\max}} du f(u) H(c_i^2, u) \\ &= \int_0^{u_{\max}} du f(u) \frac{c_i^2}{c_{i \max}^2(u)} H(c_{i \max}^2(u), u) \\ &= \int_0^{u_{\max}} du f(u) \frac{c_i^2}{c_{i \max}^2(u)} R_{\max} \leq R_{\max} \end{aligned}$$

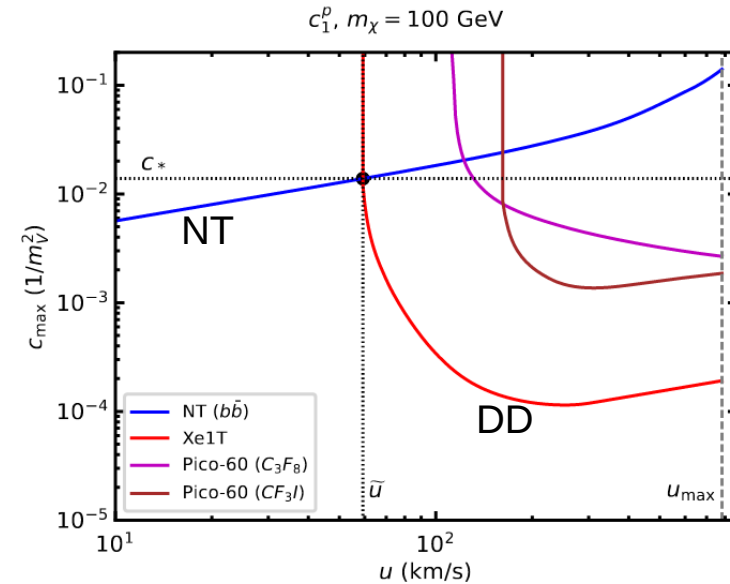
upper bound on the coupling c_i :

$$c_i^2 \leq \left[\int_0^{u_{\max}} du \frac{f(u)}{c_{i \max}^2(u)} \right]^{-1}$$

Halo-independent approach : Methodology

$$c_i^2 \leq \left[\int_0^{u_{\max}} du \frac{f(u)}{c_{i \max}^2(u)} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c^{\text{NT}})_{\max}^2(u) &\leq c_*^2 && \text{for } 0 \leq u \leq \tilde{u} \\ (c^{\text{DD}})_{\max}^2(u) &\leq c_*^2 && \text{for } \tilde{u} \leq u \leq u_{\max} \end{aligned}$$



$$c^2 \leq c_*^2 \left[\int_0^{\tilde{u}} du f(u) \right]^{-1} = \frac{c_*^2}{\delta} \quad \text{with} \quad \delta = \int_0^{\tilde{u}} du f(u)$$

$$c^2 \leq c_*^2 \left[\int_{\tilde{u}}^{u_{\max}} du f(u) \right]^{-1} = \frac{c_*^2}{1 - \delta} \quad \text{with} \quad 1 - \delta = \int_{\tilde{u}}^{u_{\max}} du f(u)$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta = 1/2$$

$$c^2 \leq 2c_*^2$$

Halo-independent approach : Methodology

For a choice of a large u_{\max} it may happen that

$$(c^{\text{DD}})_{\max}^2(u_{\max}) > c_*^2$$

[Mainly due to the suppression of the scattering amplitude by the nuclear form factor at large recoil energies (large WIMP speeds)]

$$c^2 \leq c_*^2 \left[\int_0^{\tilde{u}} duf(u) \right]^{-1} = \frac{c_*^2}{\delta}$$

$$c^2 \leq (c^{\text{DD}})_{\max}^2(u_{\max}) \left[\int_{\tilde{u}}^{u_{\max}} duf(u) \right]^{-1} = \frac{(c^{\text{DD}})_{\max}^2(u_{\max})}{1 - \delta}$$

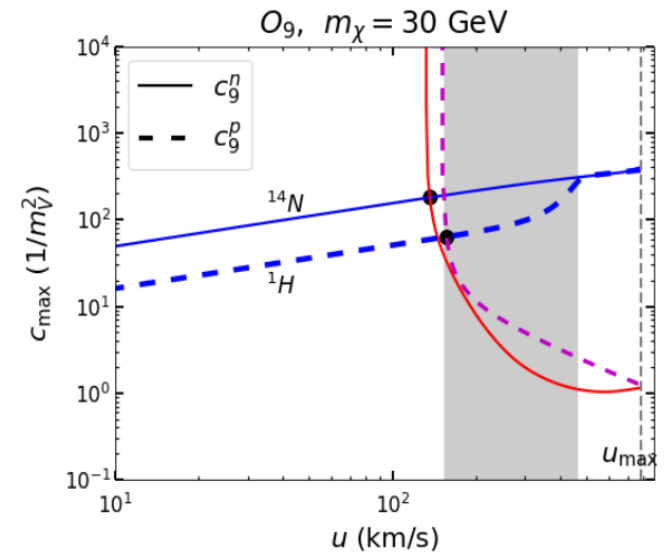
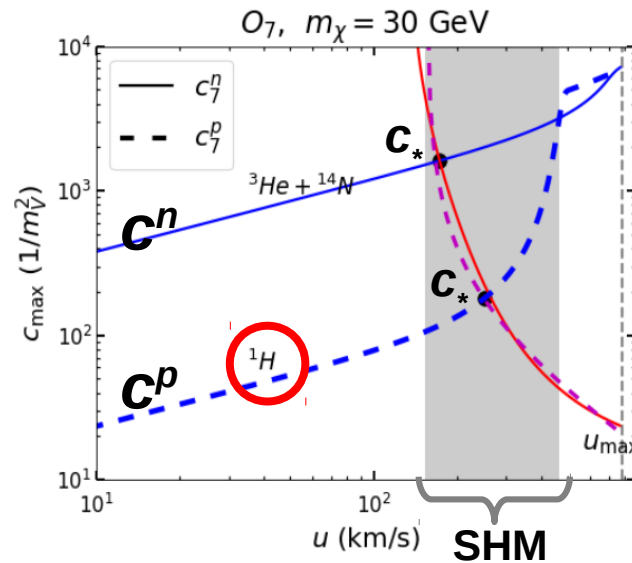
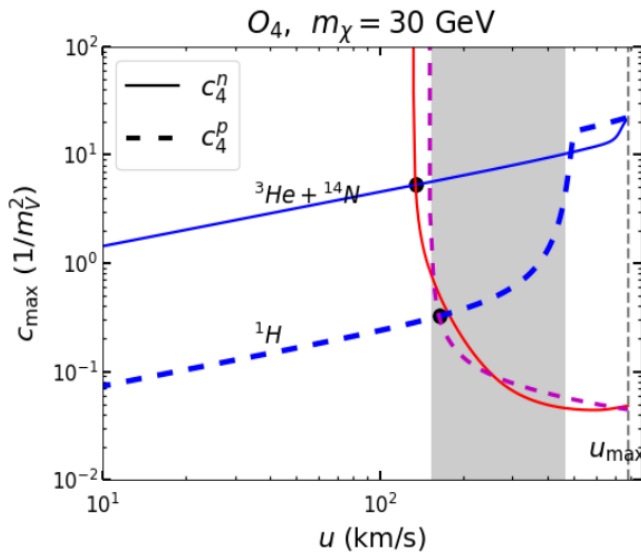
$$c^2 \leq (c^{\text{DD}})_{\max}^2(u_{\max}) + c_*^2$$

- $u_{\max} = 8000$ km/s (much larger than the Galactic escape speed ~ 800 km/s) is also considered, but the bounds do not change much

Relaxing factor

- Explanation for the low relaxing factors for “SD” type WIMP-proton couplings:

$$\text{relaxing factor} \equiv \frac{(c_i)_{\text{halo-indep.}}}{(c_i)_{\text{SHM}}} \left(\simeq \frac{\sqrt{2} c_*}{(c_i)_{\text{SHM}}} \right)$$



- For “SD” type operators WIMP capture is strongly enhanced due to scattering off abundant ^1H

⇒ c_* (peak value of the convolution of NT and DD limits) is lower

⇒ smaller relaxing factor

$\mathcal{O}_1 = 1_\chi 1_N$ (standard SI)	$\mathcal{O}_9 = i\vec{S}_\chi \cdot (\vec{S}_N \times \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})$
$\mathcal{O}_3 = i\vec{S}_N \cdot (\frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \times \vec{v}^\perp)$	$\mathcal{O}_{10} = i\vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N}$
$\mathcal{O}_4 = \vec{S}_\chi \cdot \vec{S}_N$ (standard SD)	$\mathcal{O}_{11} = i\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N}$
$\mathcal{O}_5 = i\vec{S}_\chi \cdot (\frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \times \vec{v}^\perp)$	$\mathcal{O}_{12} = \vec{S}_\chi \cdot (\vec{S}_N \times \vec{v}^\perp)$
$\mathcal{O}_6 = (\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})(\vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})$	$\mathcal{O}_{13} = i(\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \vec{v}^\perp)(\vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})$
$\mathcal{O}_7 = \vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{v}^\perp$	$\mathcal{O}_{14} = i(\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})(\vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{v}^\perp)$
$\mathcal{O}_8 = \vec{S}_\chi \cdot \vec{v}^\perp$	$\mathcal{O}_{15} = -(\vec{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})((\vec{S}_N \times \vec{v}^\perp) \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N})$

Halo-independent bounds on Long-range WIMP-nucleon interactions

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_i \sum_{\tau=0,1} c_i^\tau \mathcal{O}_i t^\tau$$

$$c_i^\tau \equiv \frac{\alpha_i^\tau}{q^2 + M_0^2}, \quad \lim_{M_0 \rightarrow 0} \frac{\alpha_i^\tau}{q^2 + M_0^2} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha_i^\tau}{q^2}$$

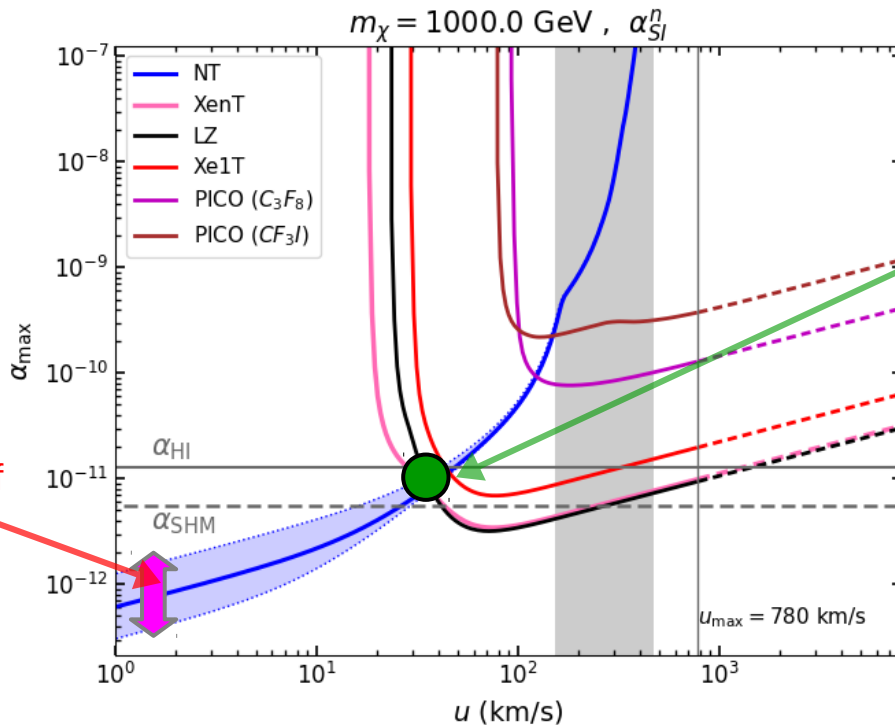
$\vec{q} \equiv$ transferred momentum
 M_0 : Mediator mass

$$C_\odot = \int du f(u) H_C(u)$$

recoil energy : $E_R = \frac{q^2}{2m_T}$

$$H_C(u) = \left(\frac{\rho_\odot}{m_\chi} \right) \frac{1}{u} \int_0^{R_\odot} dr 4\pi r^2 w^2$$

$$\times \sum_{T \in \text{Solar nuclei}} n_T(r) \Theta(u_T^{\text{C-max}} - u) \int_{m_\chi u^2/2}^{2\mu_{\chi T}^2 w^2 / m_T} dE_R \underbrace{\left[\frac{d\sigma_T}{dE_R} \right]}_{\mathcal{H} = \sum_{\tau=0,1} \sum_i c_i^\tau \mathcal{O}_i} + E_R^{\text{cut}}$$



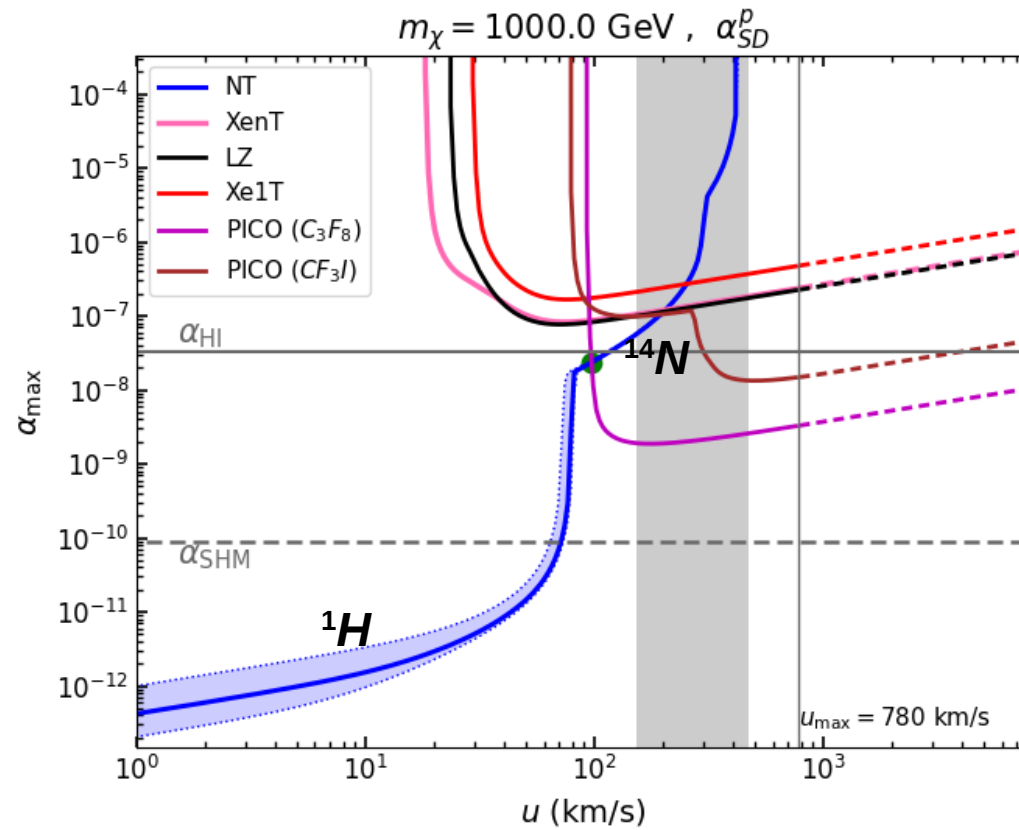
Variation of E_R^{cut} by a factor of 4

Halo-independent limit is determined by the weakest point of the experimental sensitivity in the range $[0, u_{\text{max}}]$

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