

Earth-Scattering of Dark Matter: from sub-GeV Dark Matter to WIMPzillas

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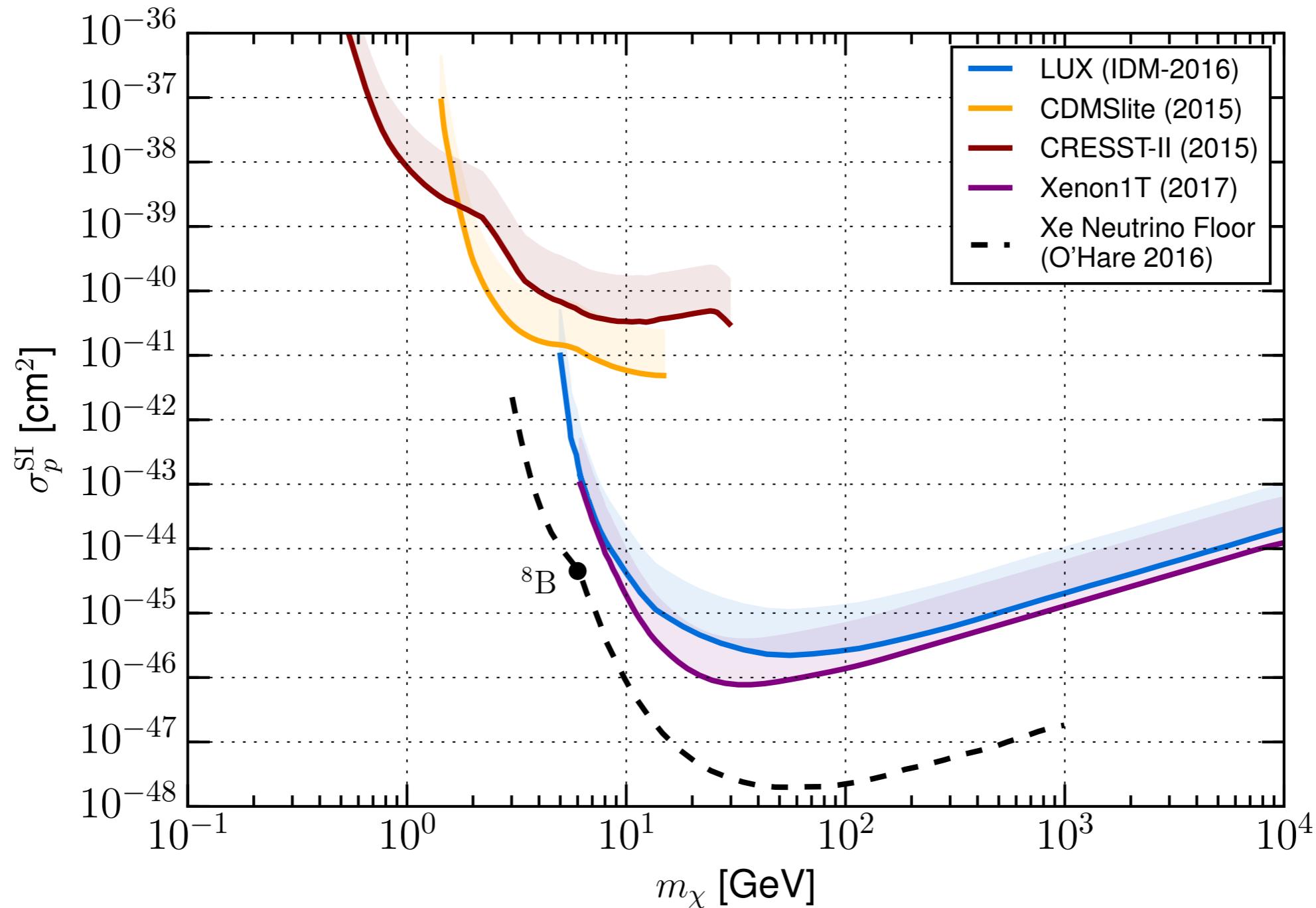


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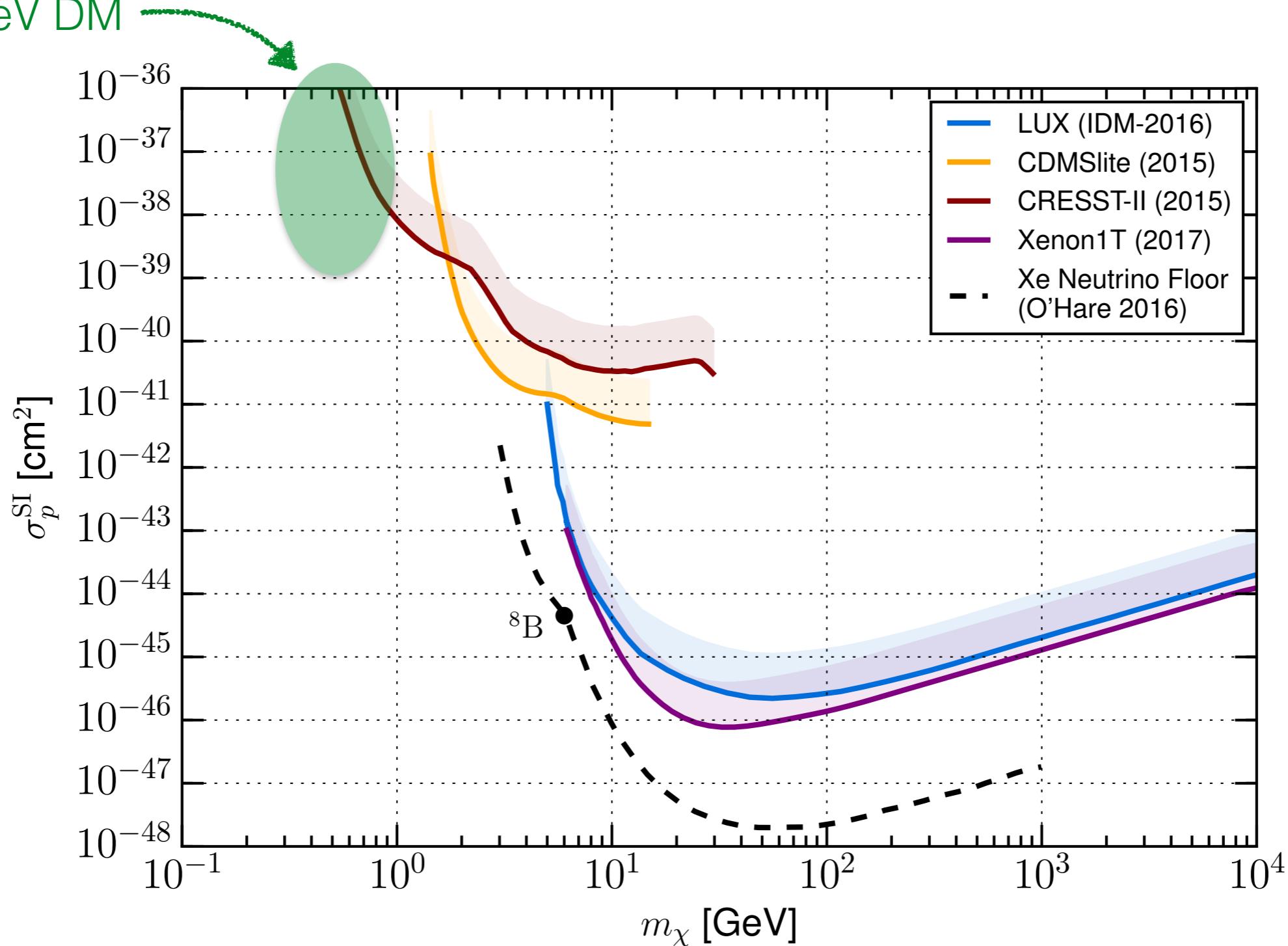
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Direct Detection Landscape



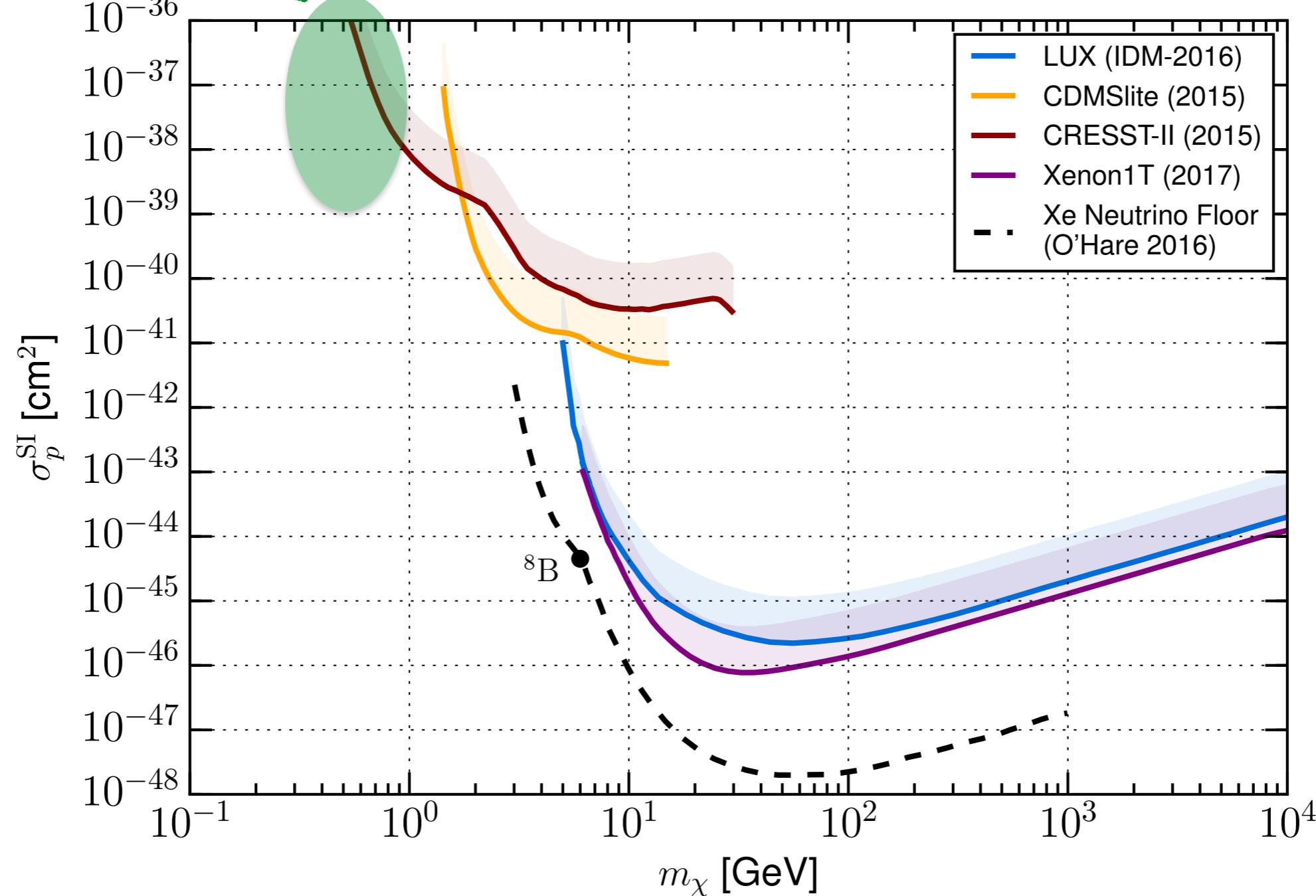
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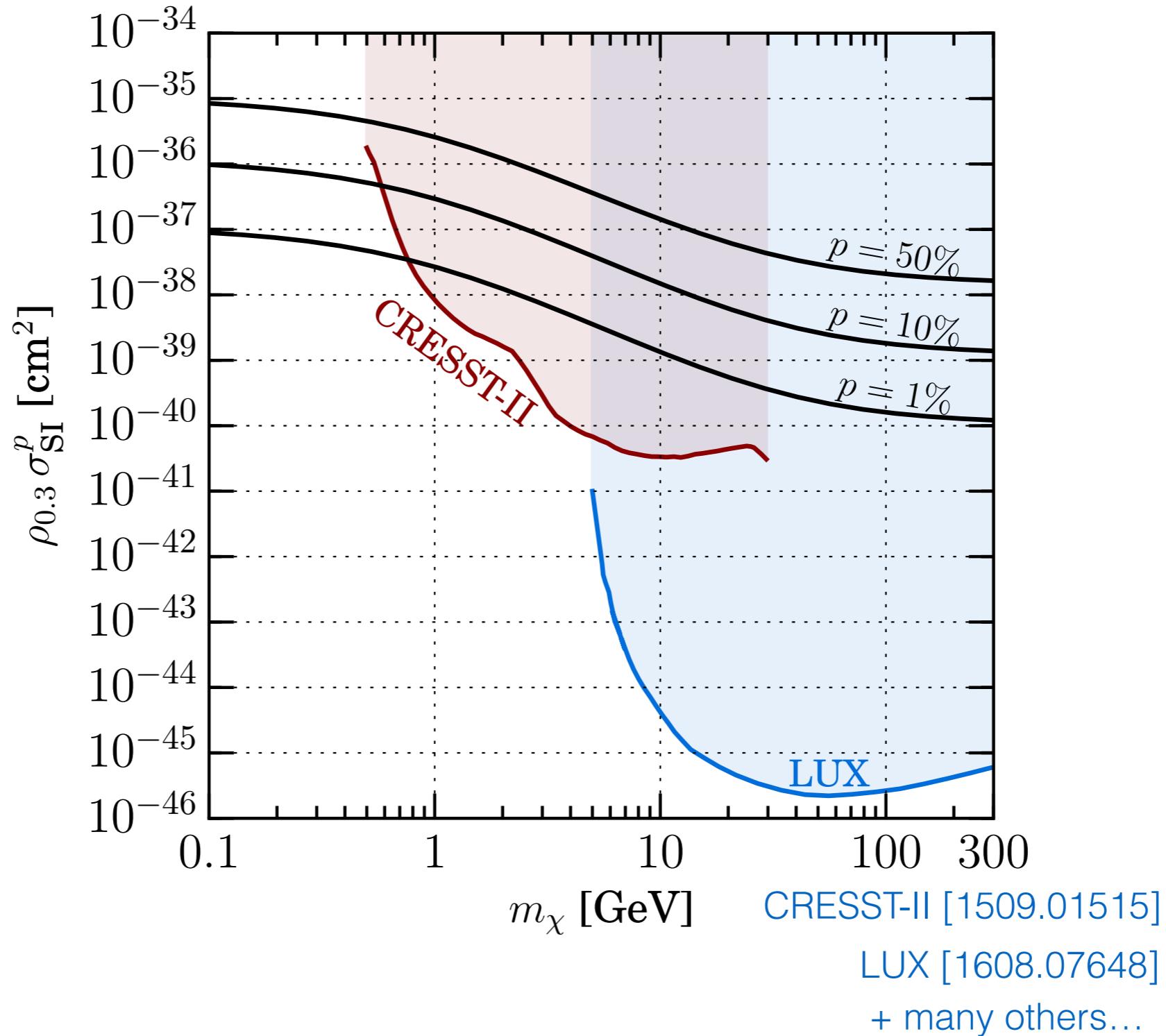
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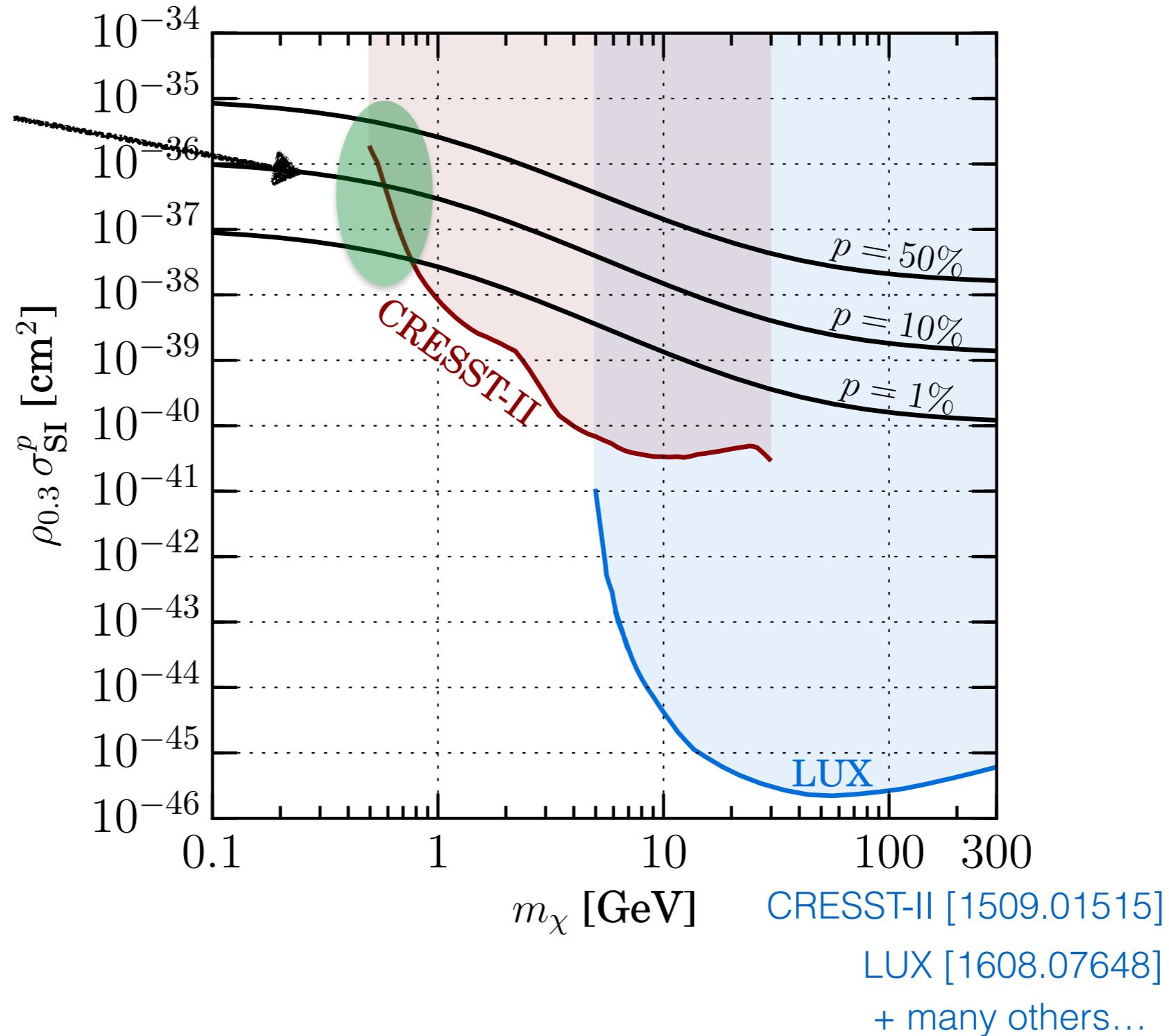
WIMPzillas

DD Landscape - Sub-GeV DM



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Focus on this
region



Direct Detection of DM (in space?)

Detector



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Unscattered (free) DM: $f_0(\mathbf{v})$

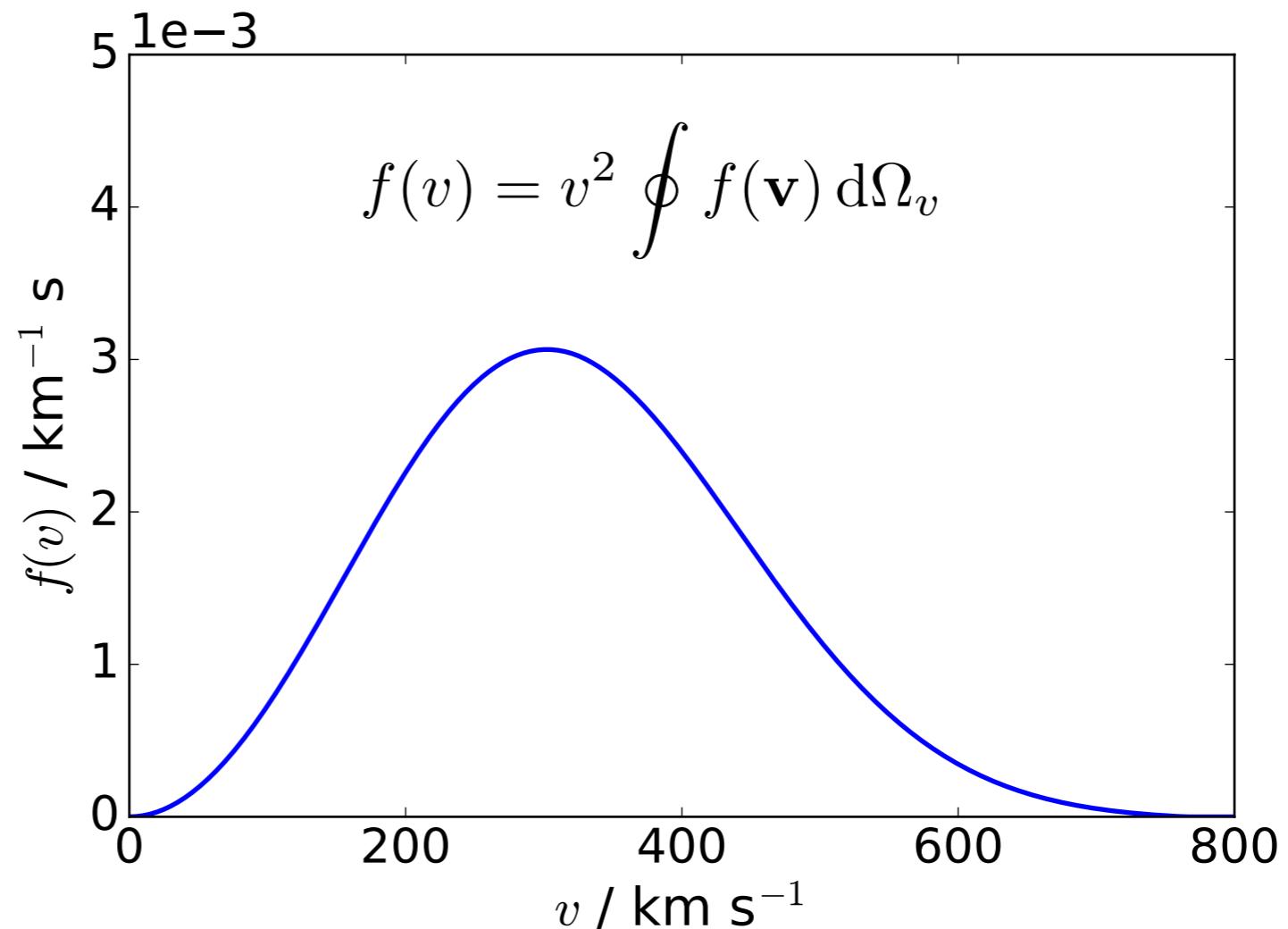
Astrophysics of DM (the simple picture)

Standard Halo Model ([SHM](#)) is typically assumed: isotropic, spherically symmetric distribution of particles with $\rho(r) \propto r^{-2}$.

Leads to a Maxwell-Boltzmann (MB) distribution (*in the lab frame*):

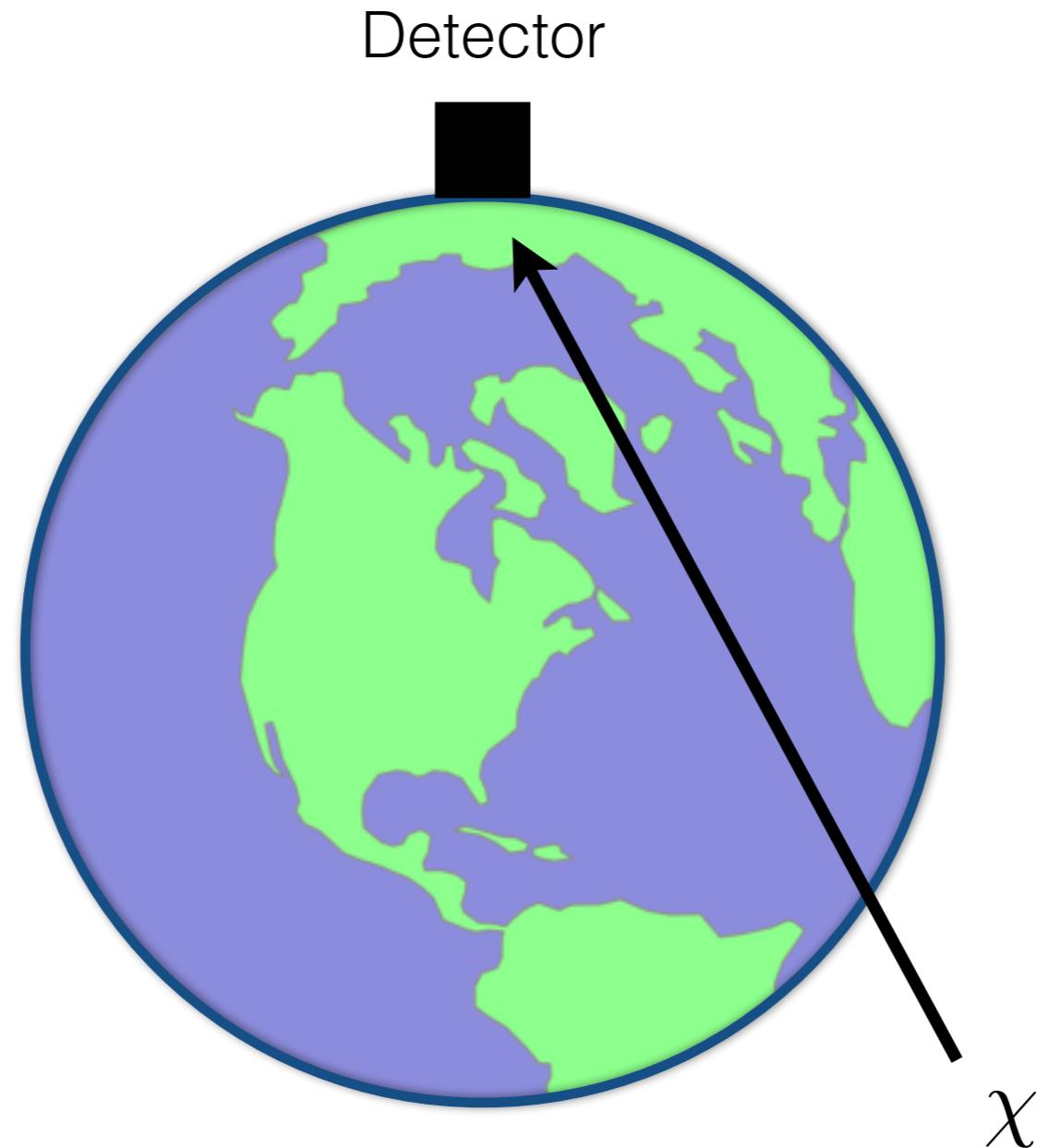
$$f_{\text{Lab}}(\mathbf{v}) = (2\pi\sigma_v^2)^{-3/2} \exp\left[-\frac{(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_e)^2}{2\sigma_v^2}\right] \Theta(|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_e| - v_{\text{esc}})$$

[But see e.g. [1705.05853](#)]



This is our ‘free’ distribution: $f_0(v)$

Direct Detection of DM on Earth



But DM scattering in the Earth can distort the velocity distribution

→ Perturbed/scattered DM: $\tilde{f}(\mathbf{v})$

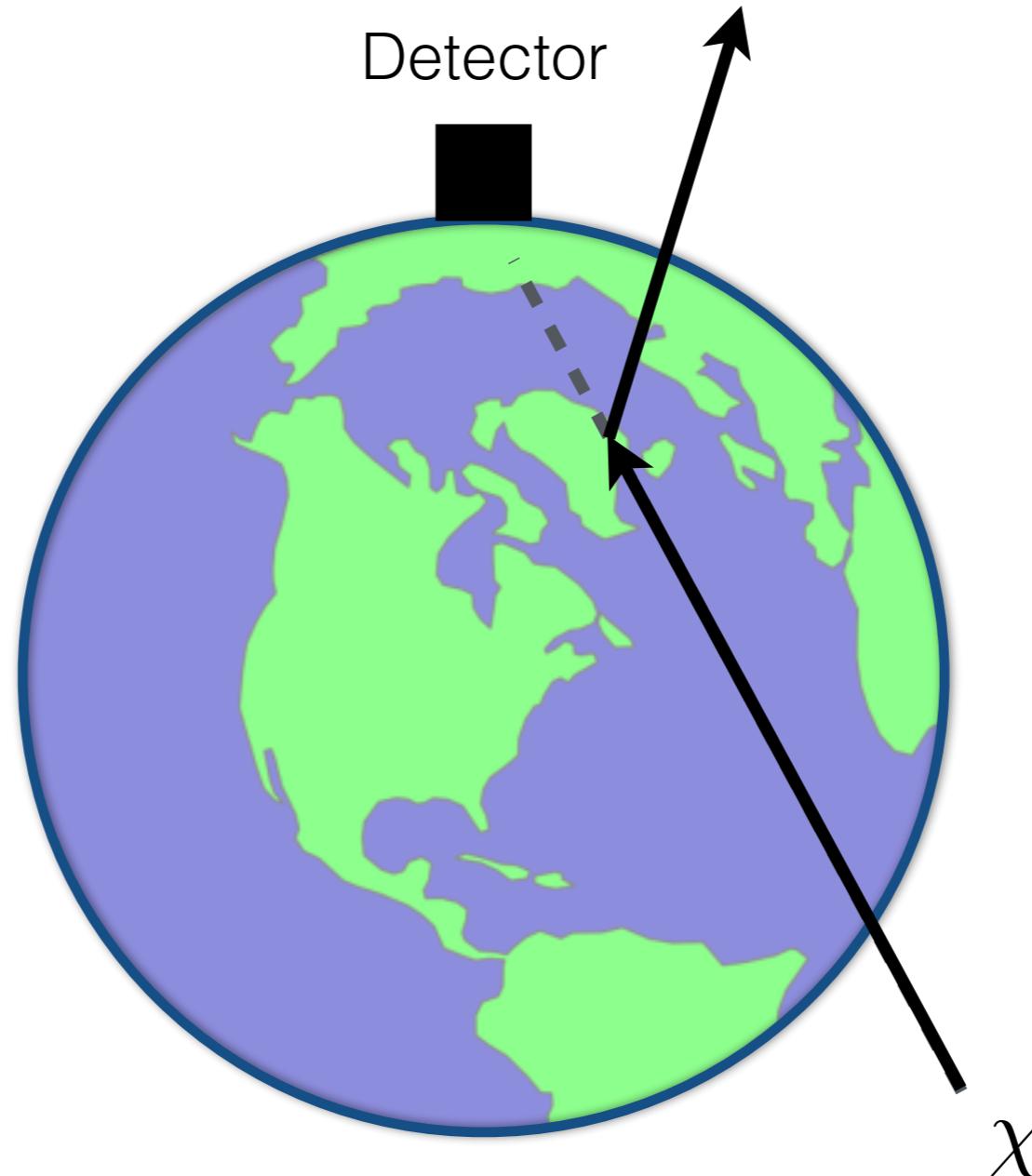
Earth-Scattering - Attenuation

Previous calculations
usually only consider
DM attenuation

Zaharijas & Farrar
[astro-ph/0406531]

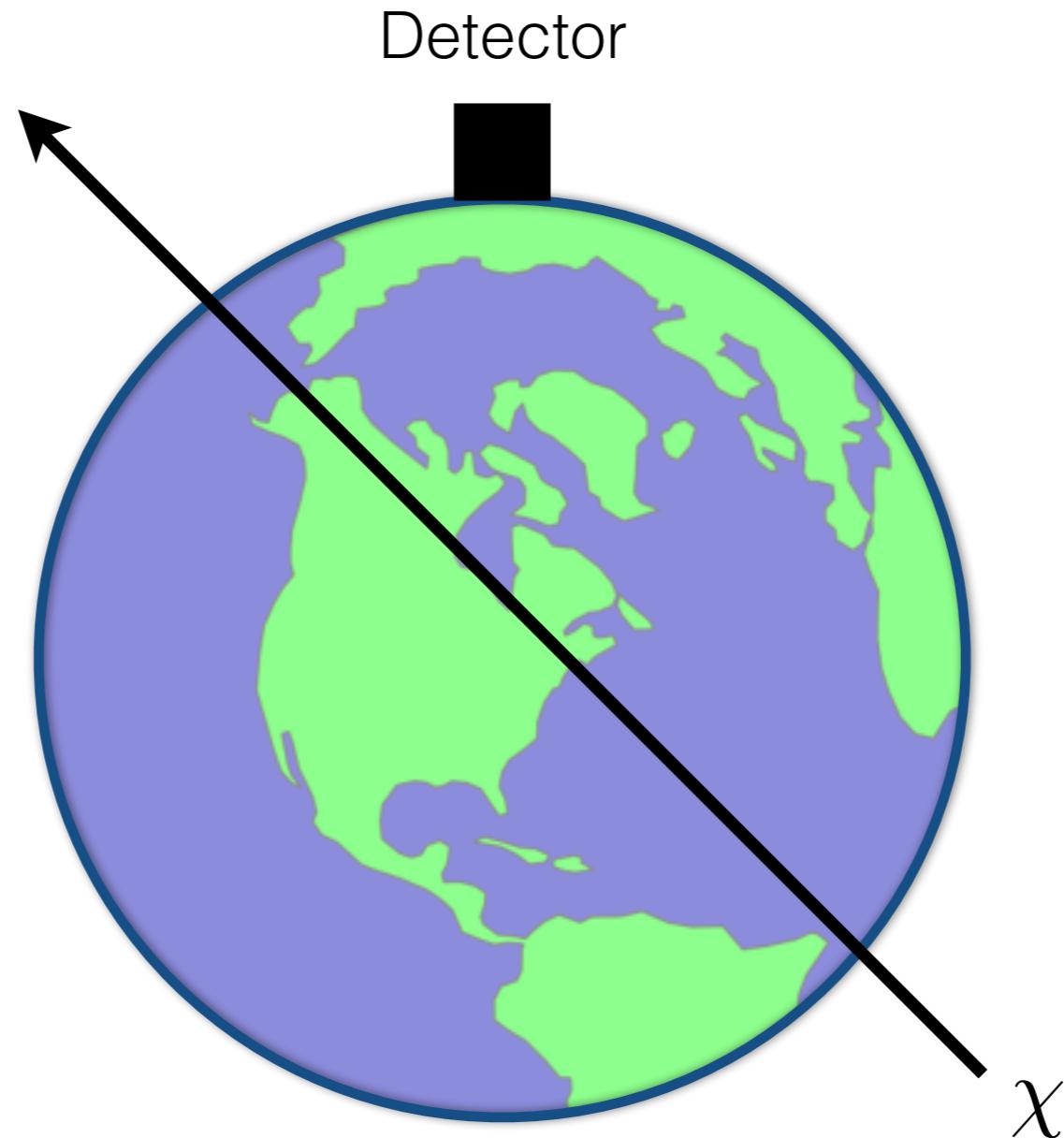
Kouvaris & Shoemaker
[1405.1729, 1509.08720]

DAMA
[1505.05336]



$$\text{Attenuation of DM flux: } f(\mathbf{v}) \rightarrow f_0(\mathbf{v}) - f_A(\mathbf{v})$$

Earth-Scattering - Deflection



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Considered in early
Monte Carlo
simulations...

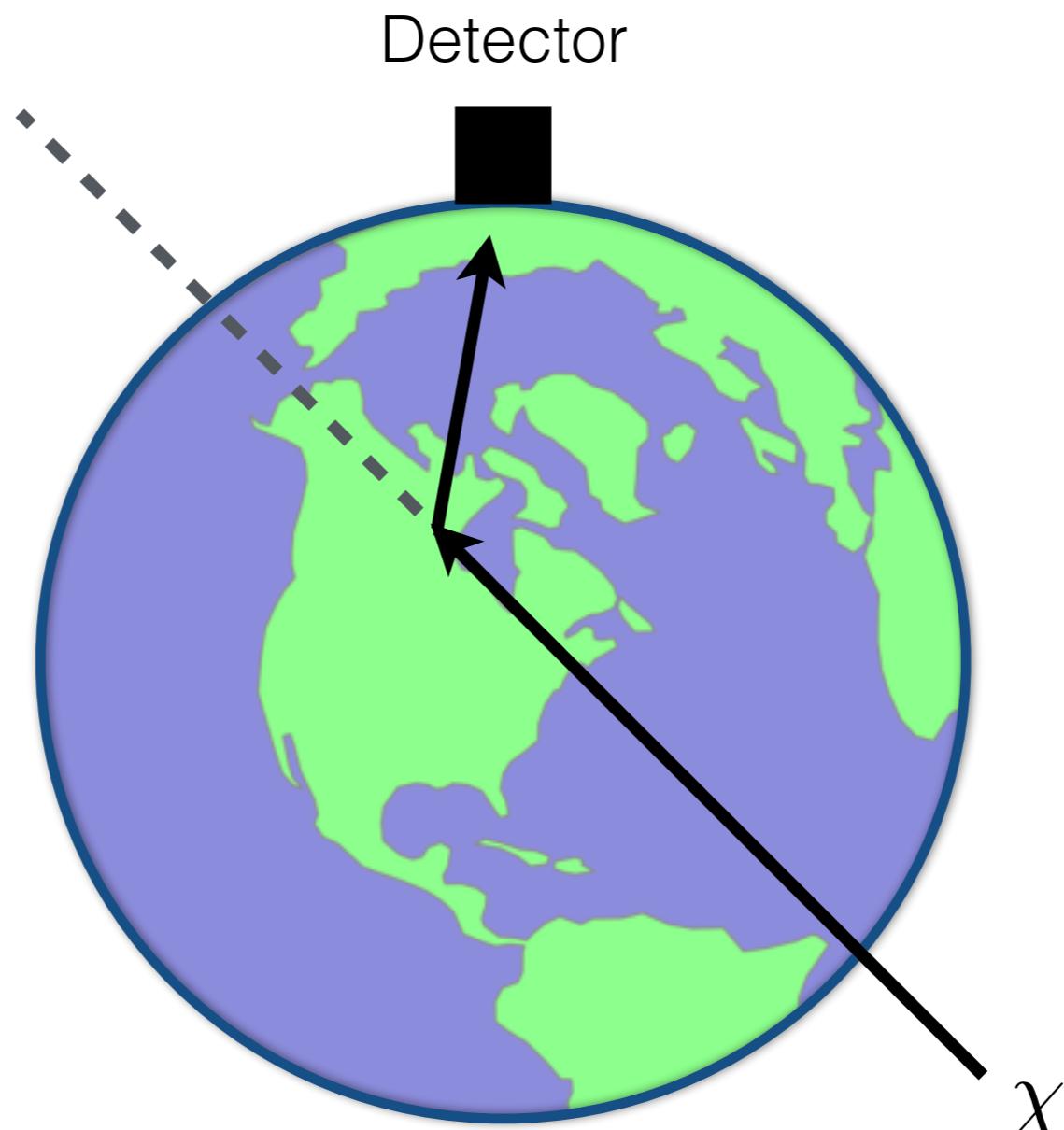
Collar & Avignone
[PLB 275, 1992
and others]

As well as more
recent ones...

Emken, Kouvaris
& Shoemaker
[1702.07750]
(see later)

Assuming DM
mean free path

$$\lambda \gtrsim R_E$$



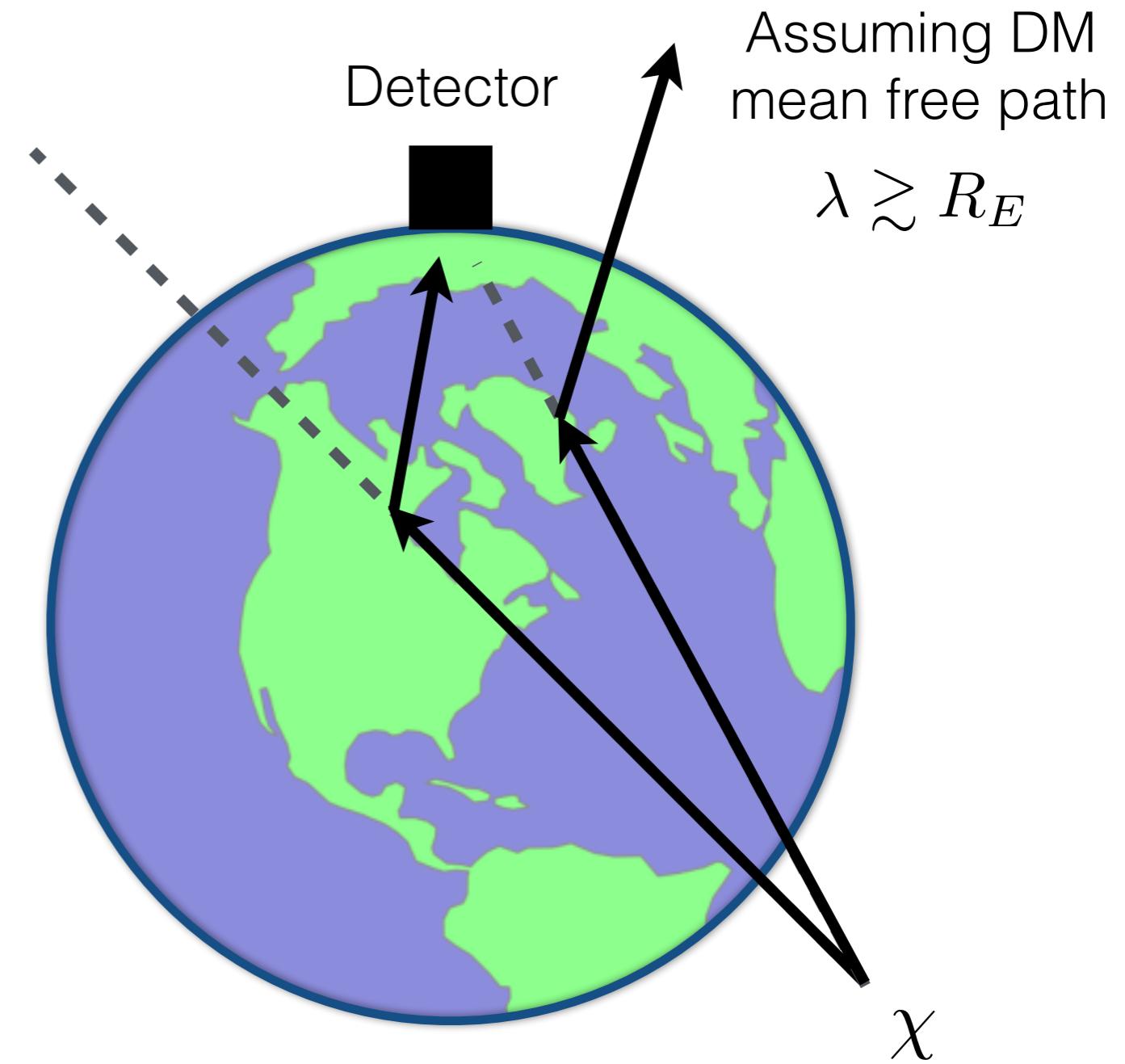
Can be very important for light DM.

Can treat (without MC) in the ‘single scatter’ approximation...

Earth-Scattering

Consider both
attenuation **and deflection**
in an analytic framework
(‘Single scatter’)

Consider **non-standard**
DM-nucleon interactions
(e.g. NREFT)



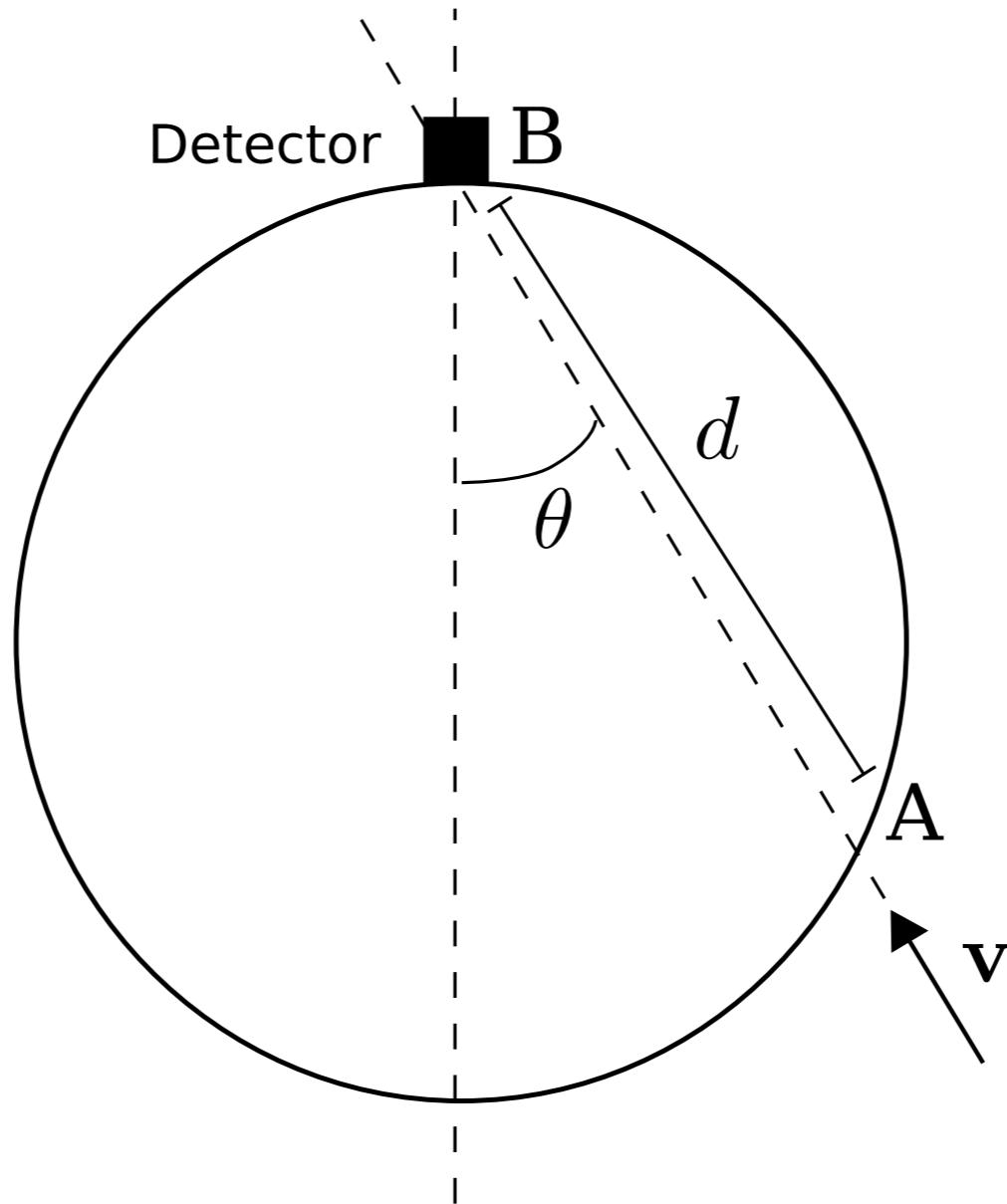
Total DM velocity distribution: $\tilde{f}(\mathbf{v}) = f_0(\mathbf{v}) - f_A(\mathbf{v}) + f_D(\mathbf{v})$

altered flux, daily modulation, directionality...

Attenuation

$$\mathbf{v} = (v, \cos \theta, \phi)$$

$$\bar{\lambda}_i(v)^{-1} = \bar{n}_i \sigma(v)$$



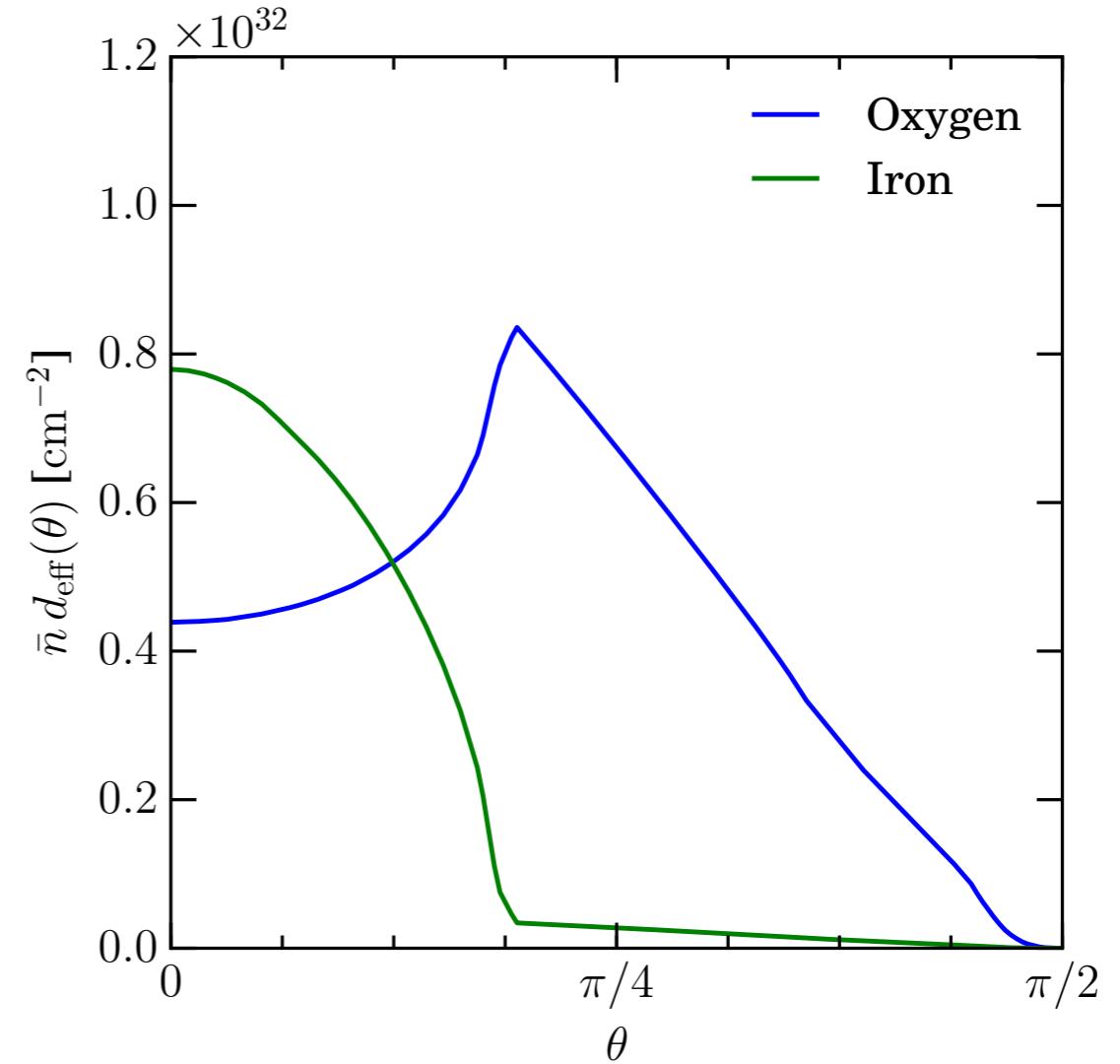
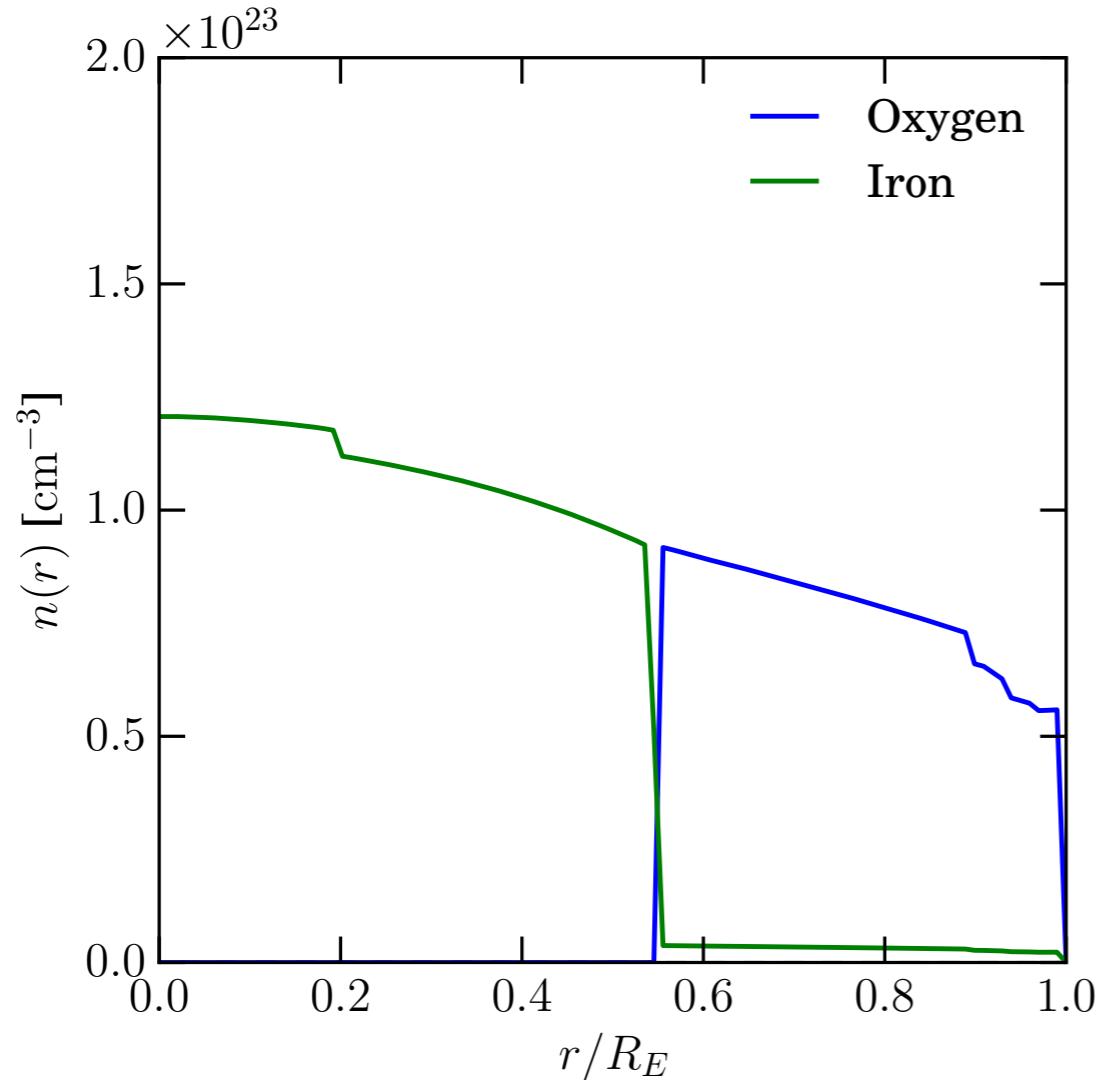
$$d_{\text{eff},i} = \frac{1}{\bar{n}_i} \int_{AB} n_i(\mathbf{r}) dl$$

$$f_0(\mathbf{v}) - f_A(\mathbf{v}) = f_0(\mathbf{v}) \exp \left[- \sum_i^{\text{species}} \frac{d_{\text{eff},i}(\cos \theta)}{\bar{\lambda}_i(v)} \right]$$

Sum over 8 most abundant elements in the Earth: O, Si, Mg, Fe, Ca, Na, S, Al

Effective Earth-crossing distance

Most scattering comes from Oxygen (in the mantle) and Iron (in the core)

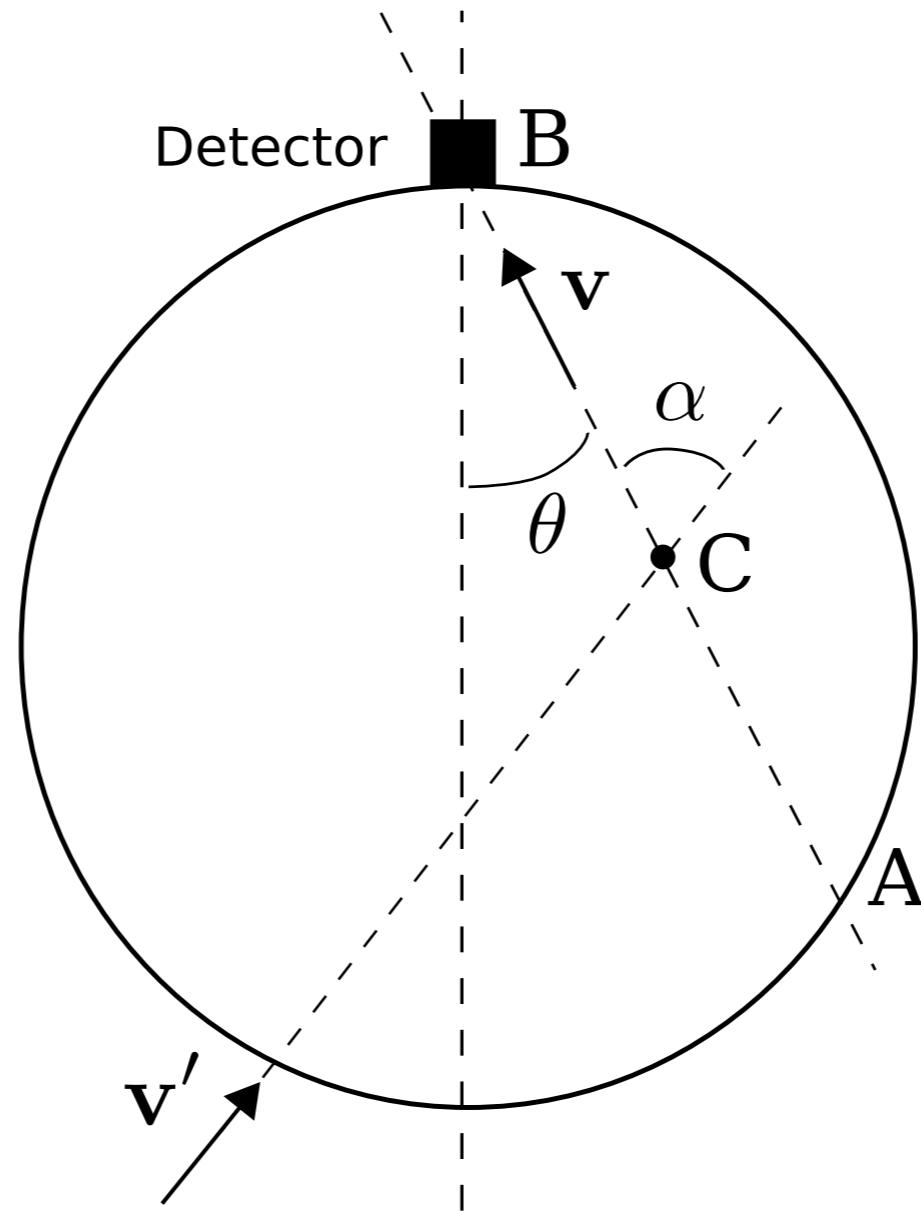


NB: little Earth-scattering for spin-dependent interactions

Deflection

$$\mathbf{v}' = (v', \cos \theta', \phi')$$
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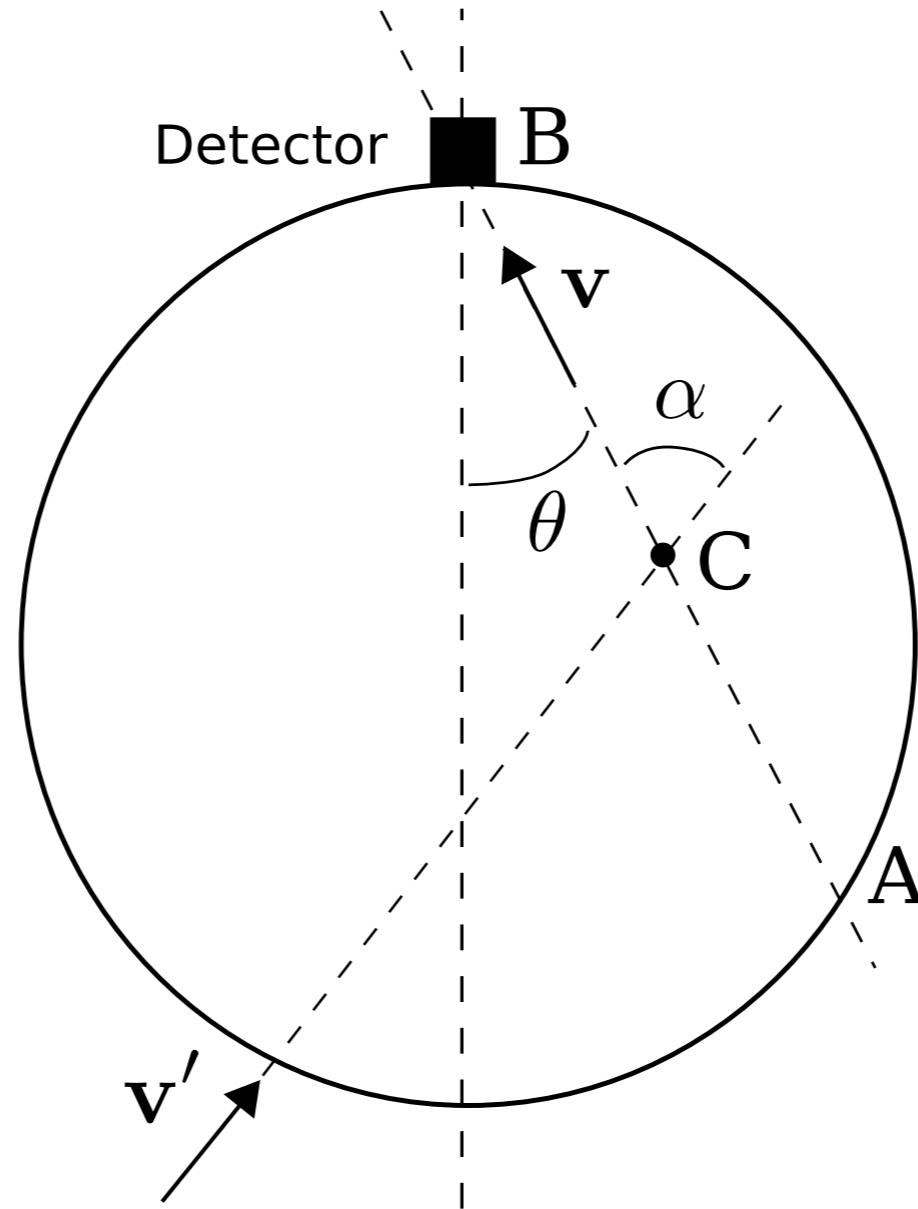


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$$f_D(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_i^{\text{species}} \int d^2 \hat{\mathbf{v}}' \frac{d_{\text{eff},i}(\cos \theta)}{\bar{\lambda}_i(\kappa_i v)} \frac{(\kappa_i)^4}{2\pi} f_0(\kappa_i v, \hat{\mathbf{v}}') P_i(\cos \alpha)$$

[Detailed calculation in the paper]

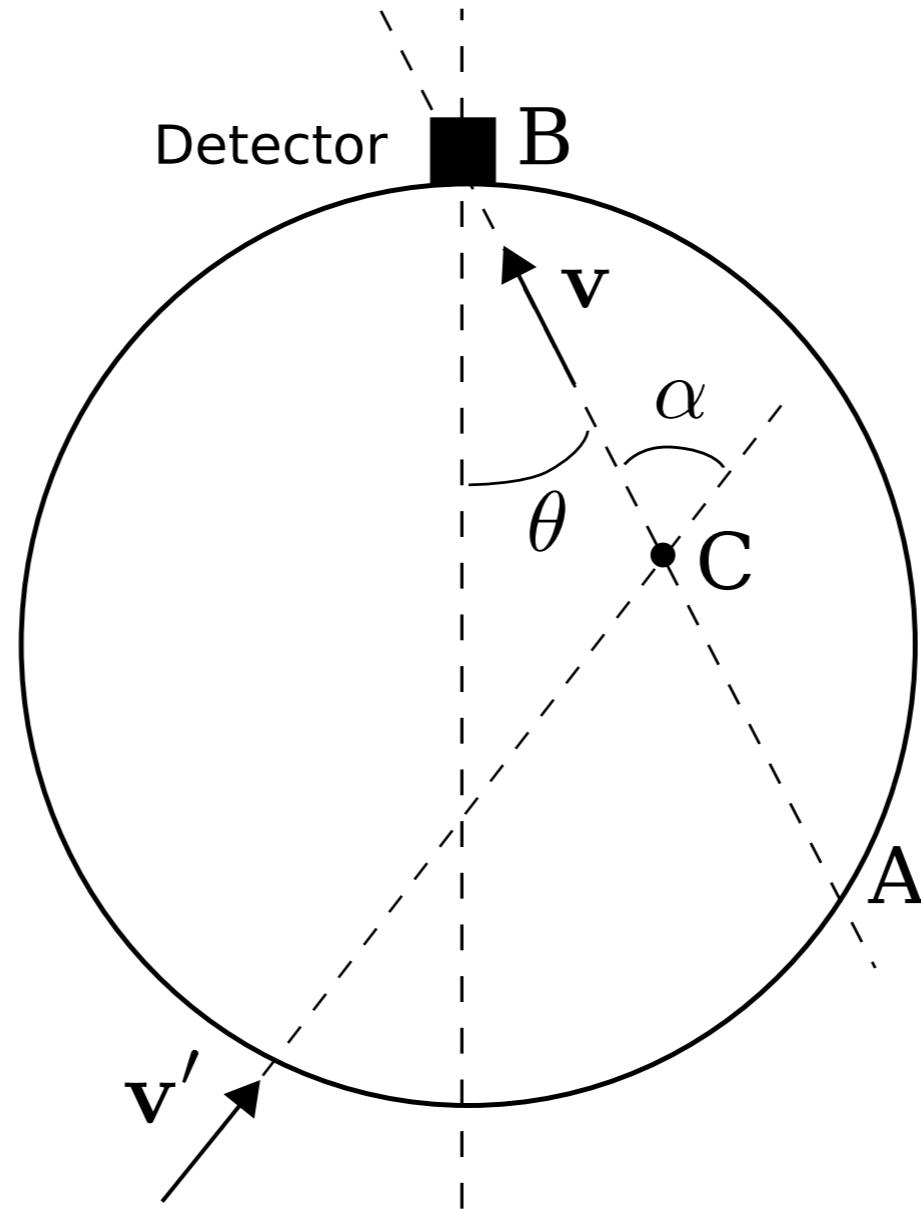
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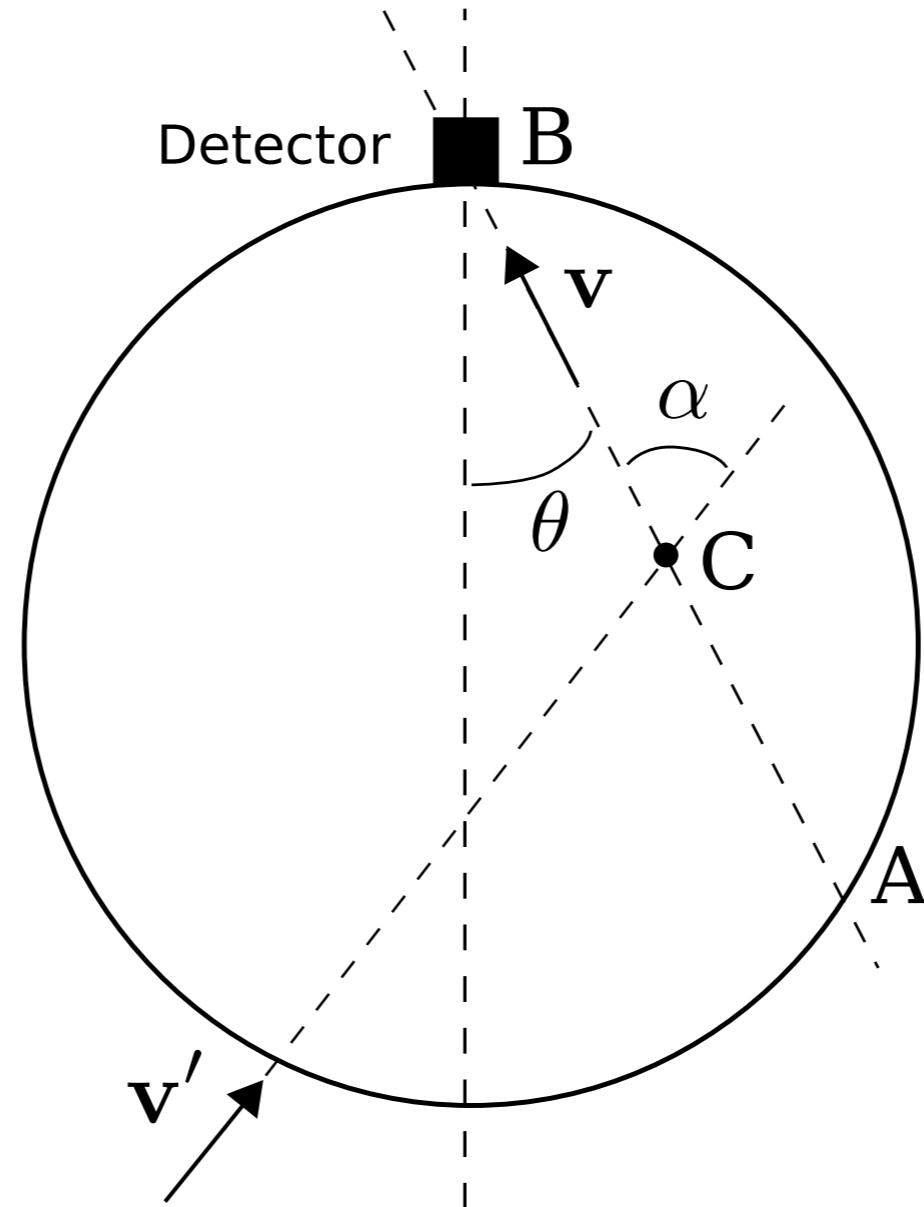
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Focus on low mass DM:
 $m_\chi = 0.5$ GeV

Fix couplings to give 10% probability of scattering in the Earth



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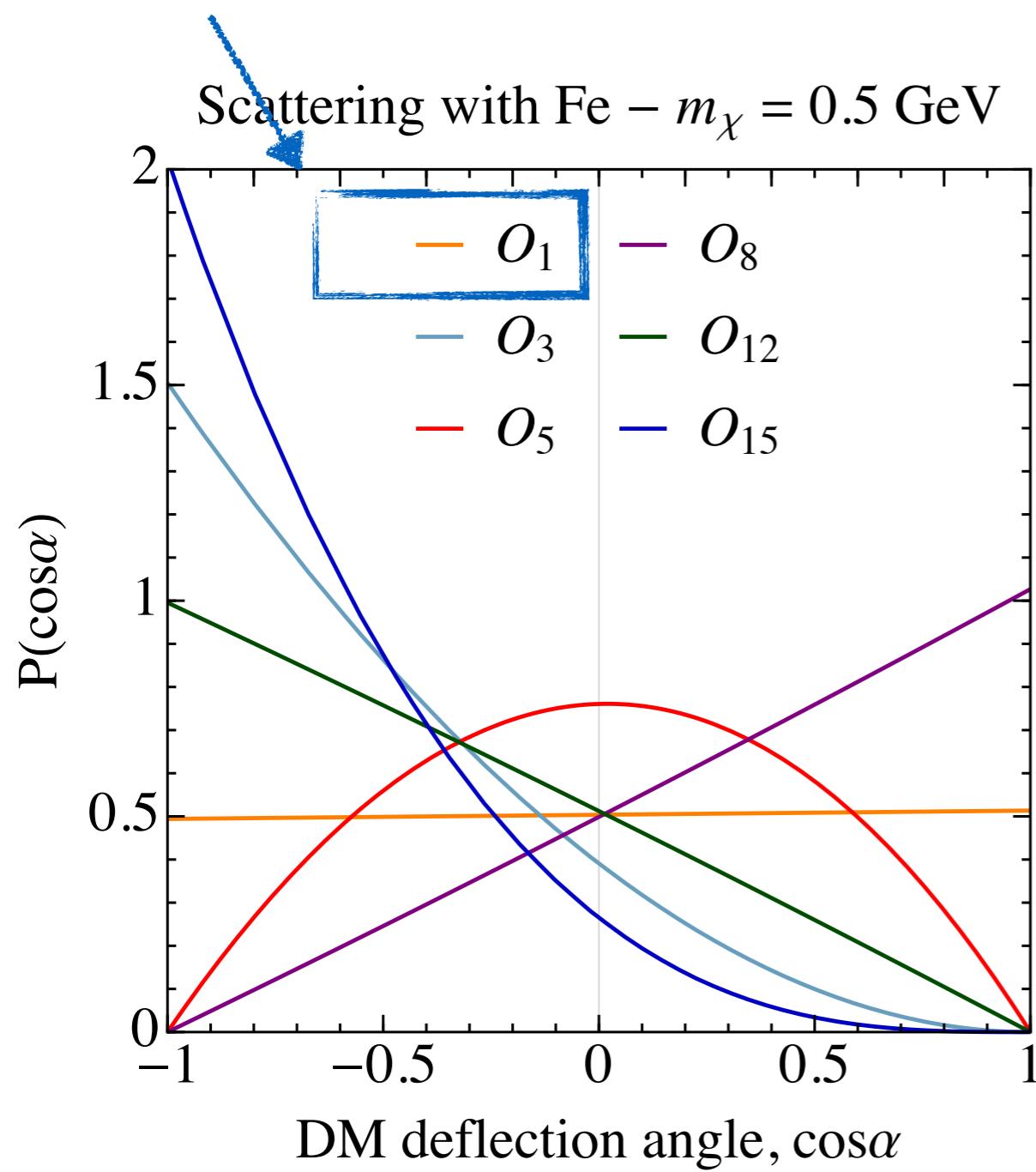
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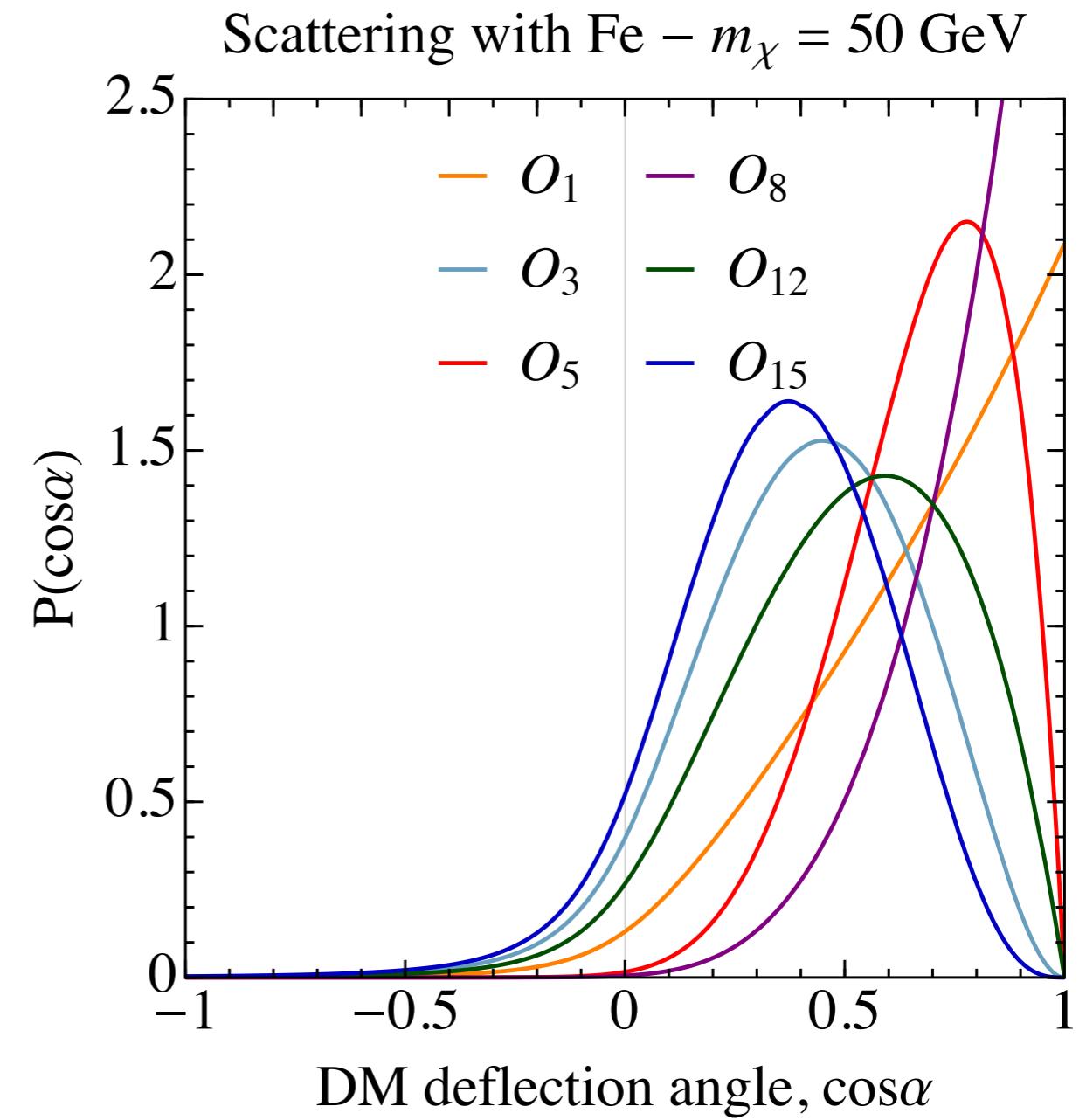
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DM deflection distribution

Standard SI interaction

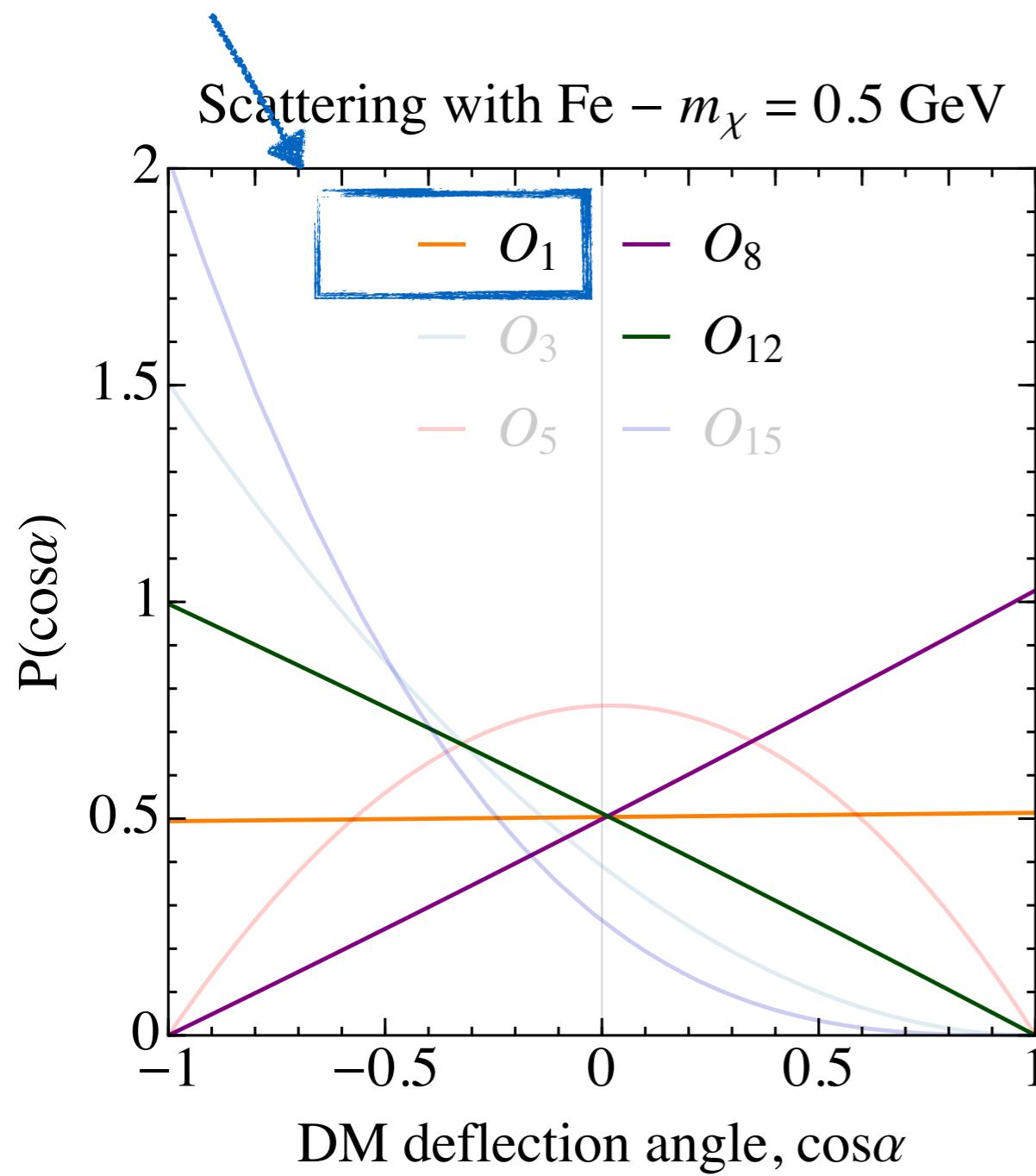


$$P(\cos\alpha) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \frac{dE_R}{d\cos\alpha}$$



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Standard SI interaction

$\mathcal{O}_1 = \mathbb{1} \Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \sim \frac{1}{v^2}$

$\mathcal{O}_8 = \vec{S}_\chi \cdot \vec{v}^\perp \Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \sim \left(1 - \frac{m_N E_R}{2\mu_{\chi N}^2 v^2}\right)$

$\mathcal{O}_{12} = \vec{S}_\chi \cdot (\vec{S}_N \times \vec{v}^\perp) \Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \sim \frac{E_R}{v^2}$

Backward

Forward

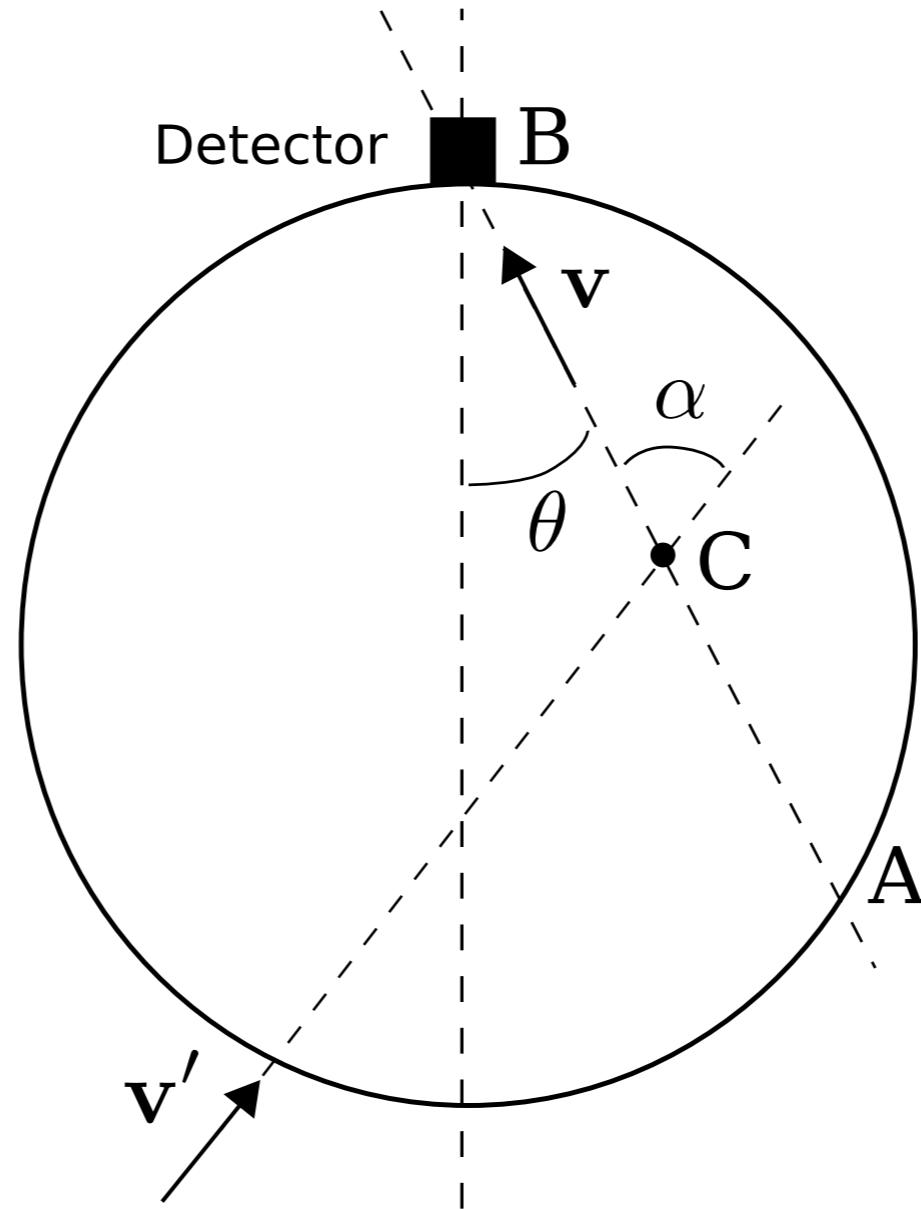
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**Now we have
everything we need!**



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Depends on total cross section

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EARTHSHADOW Code

EARTHSHADOW code is available online at:
github.com/bradkav/EarthShadow

Including routines, numerical results, plots and animations...

code	Fixed some small errors in the Examples notebook	2 months ago
data	Added manual in Code folder	2 months ago
plots	Added PNG image	21 days ago
results	Moving some files around	21 days ago
videos	Updated some animations	21 days ago
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LICENSE	Initial commit	4 months ago
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EarthShadow

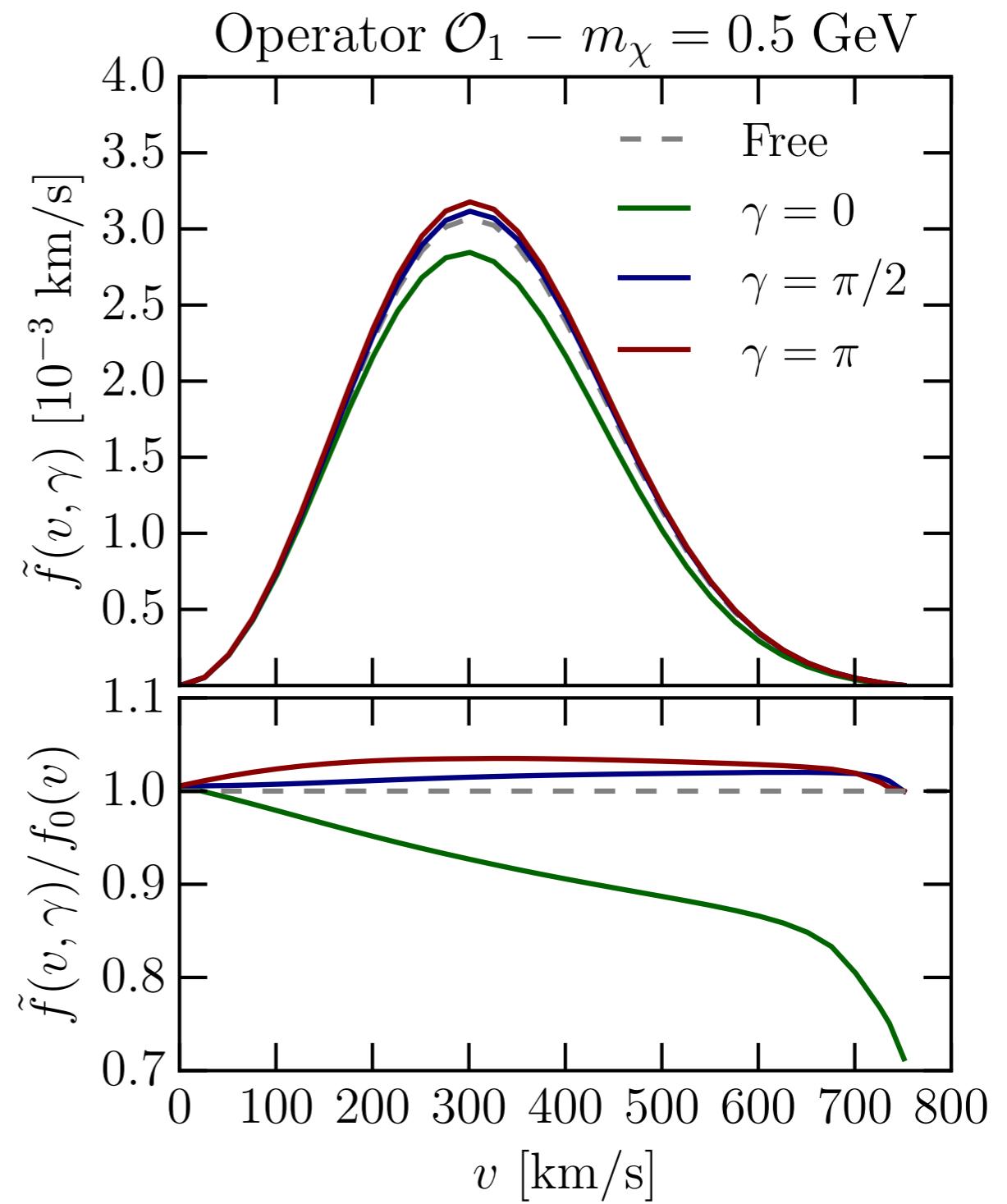
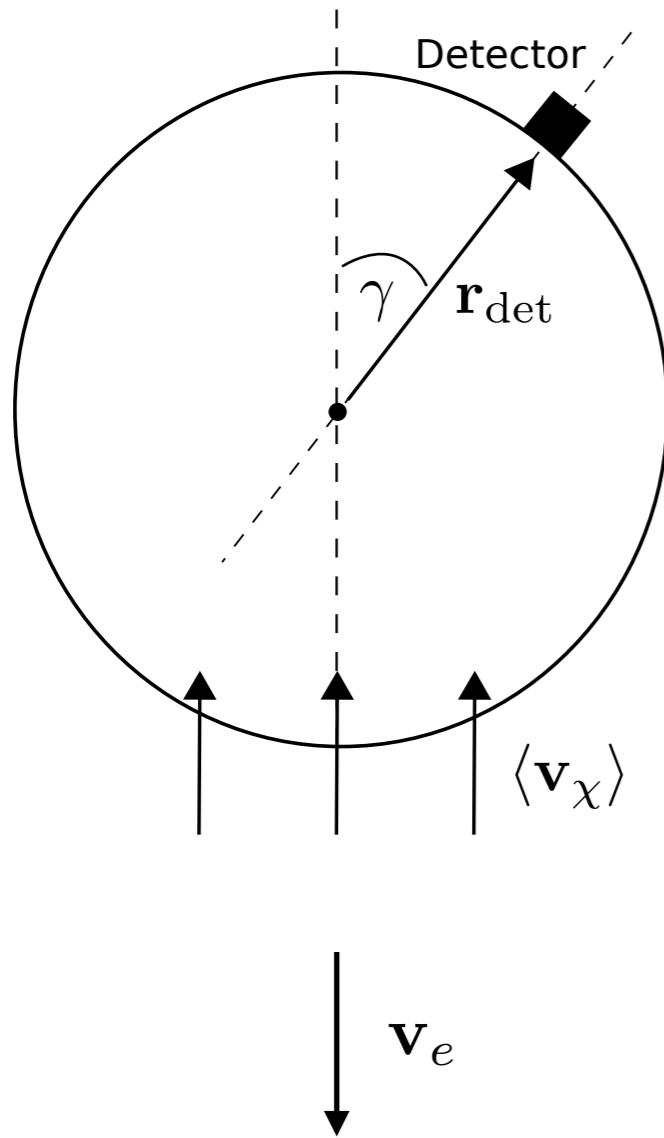
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Skip to the good stuff: Animations showing the daily modulation can be viewed *in browser* on [FigShare](#).

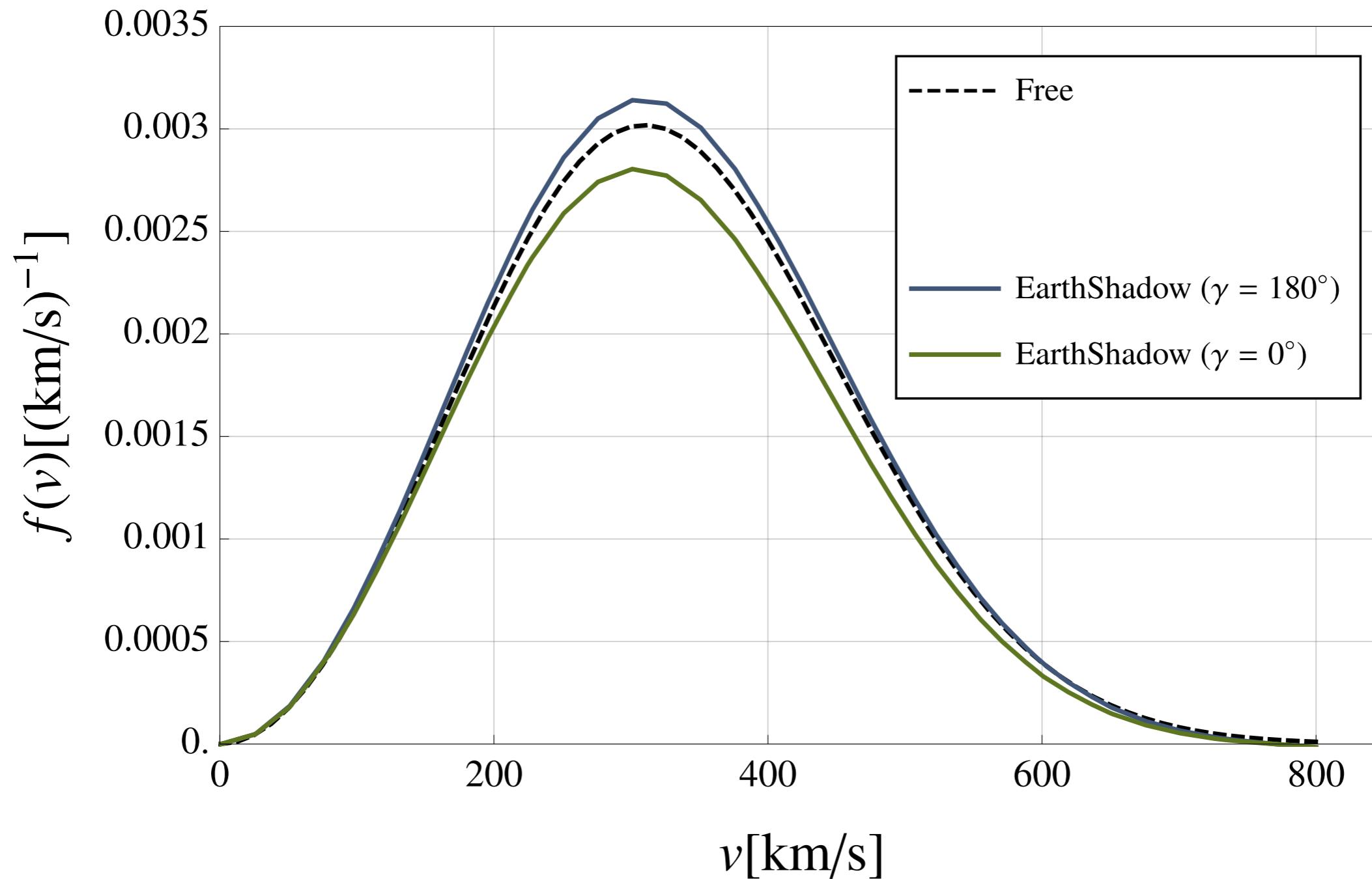
Results

Speed Distribution - Operator 1

Calculate DM speed distribution after Earth scattering: $\tilde{f}(v, \gamma)$



Comparison with Monte-Carlo

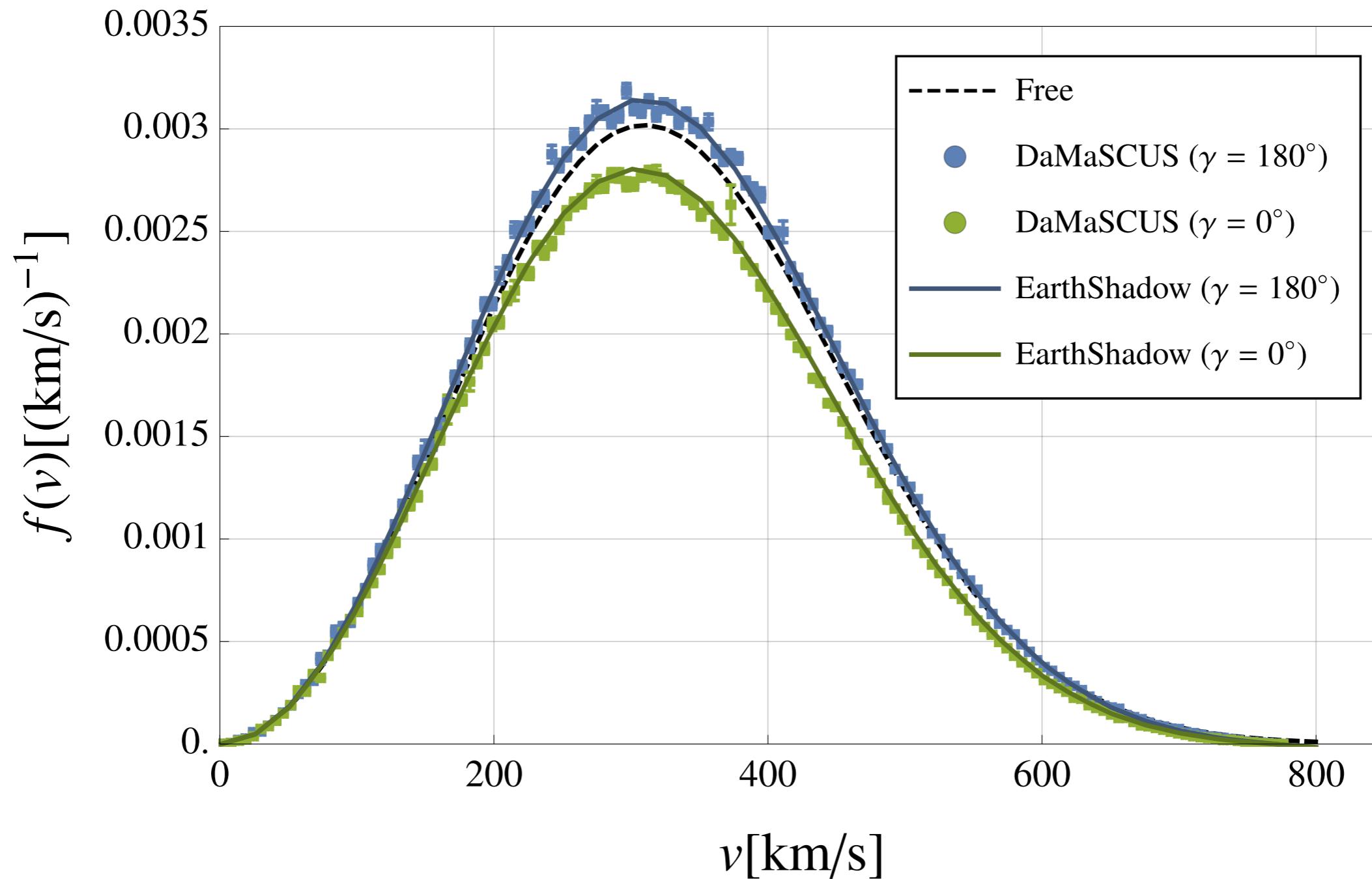


Monte-Carlo results from the DaMaSCUS code

[Emken & Kouvaris - paper appearing soon]

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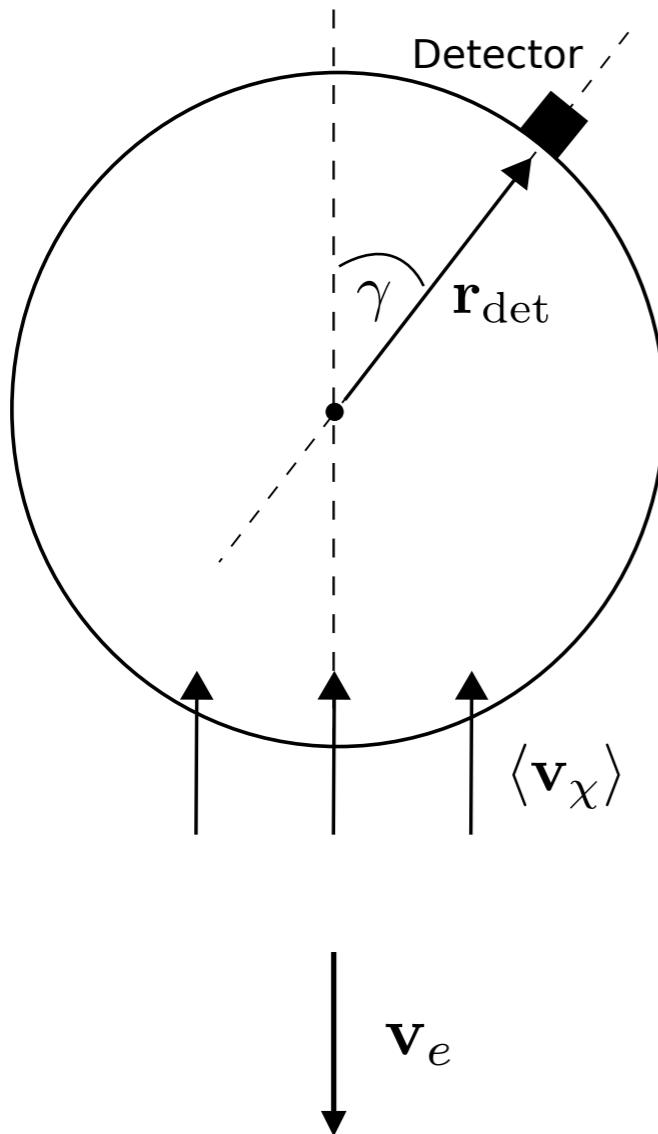
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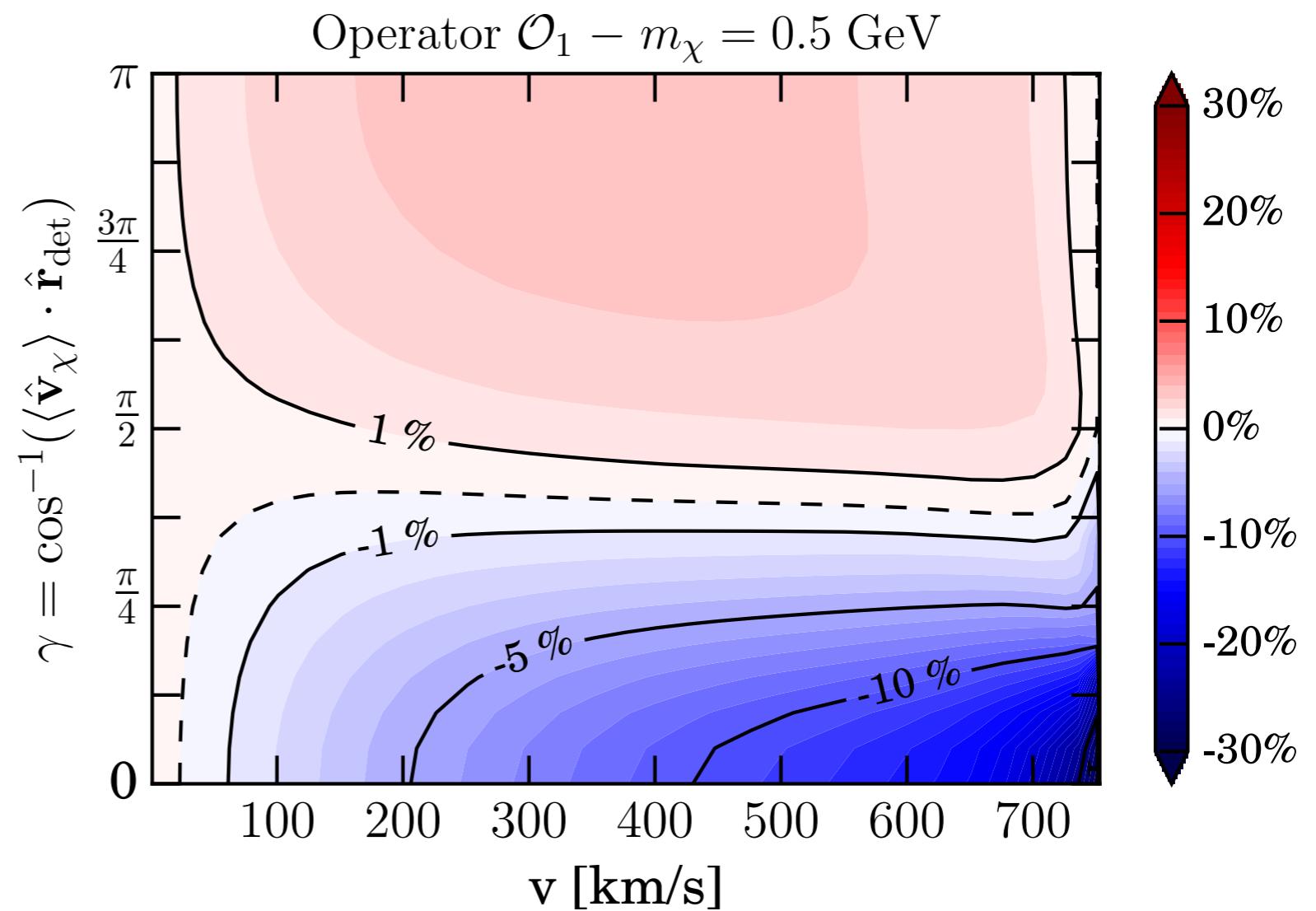
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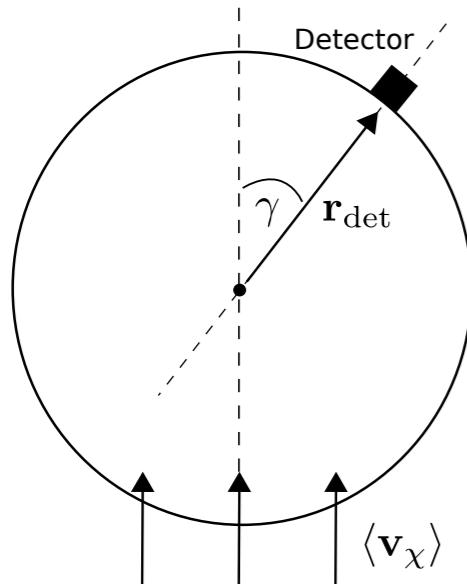
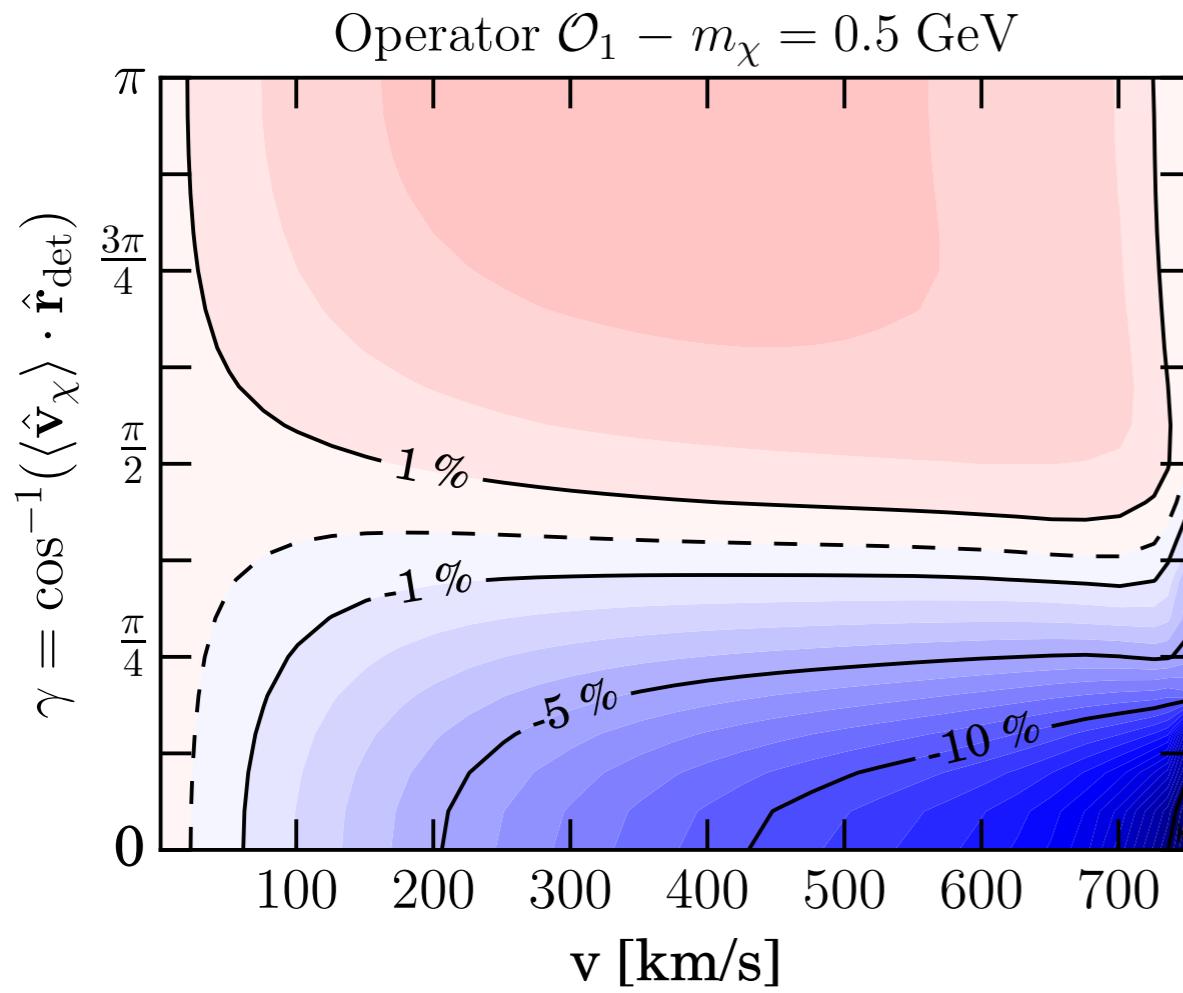
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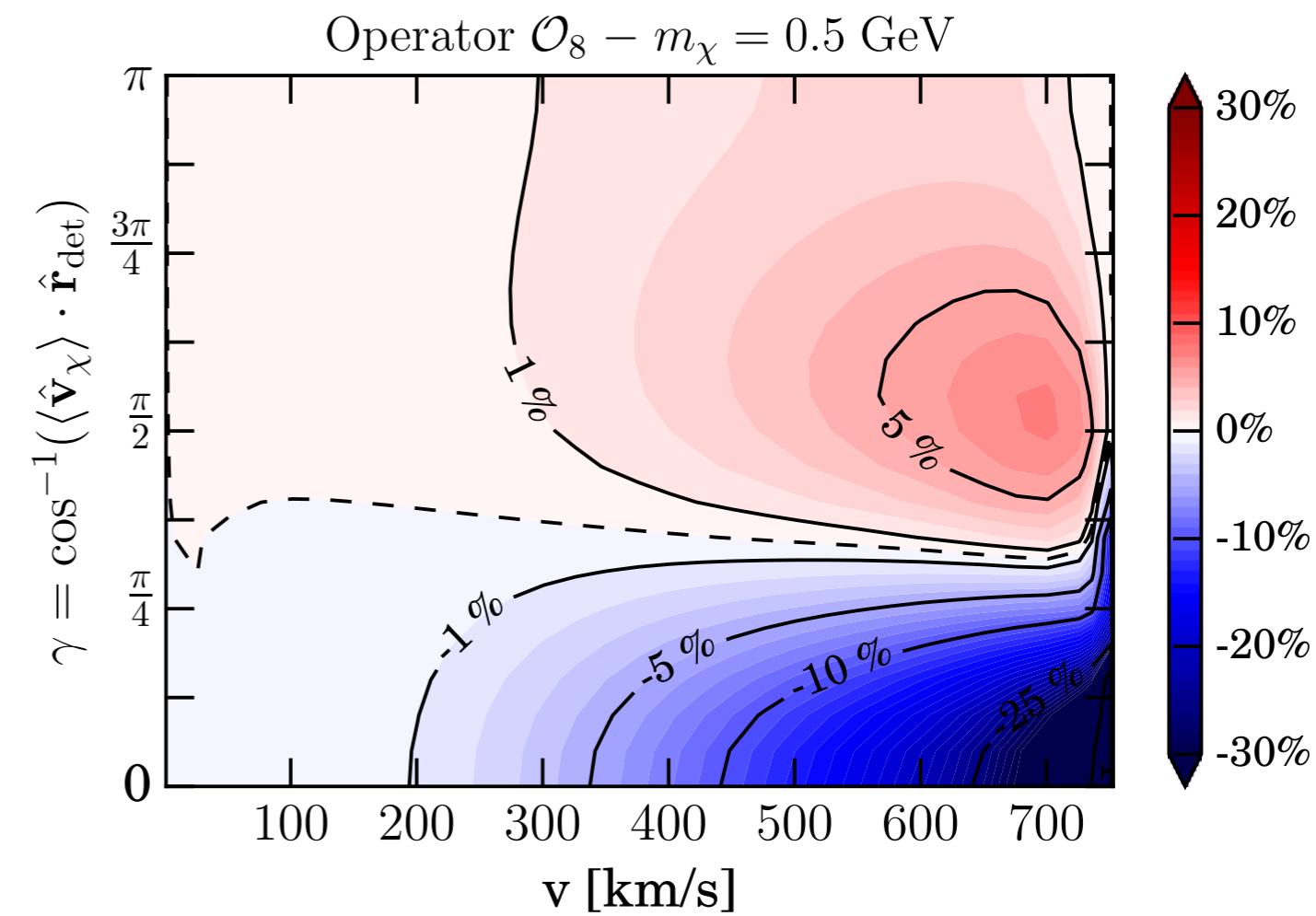
Percentage change in speed dist.



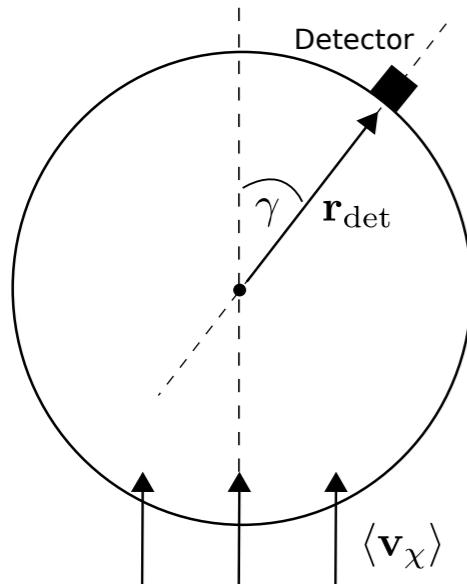
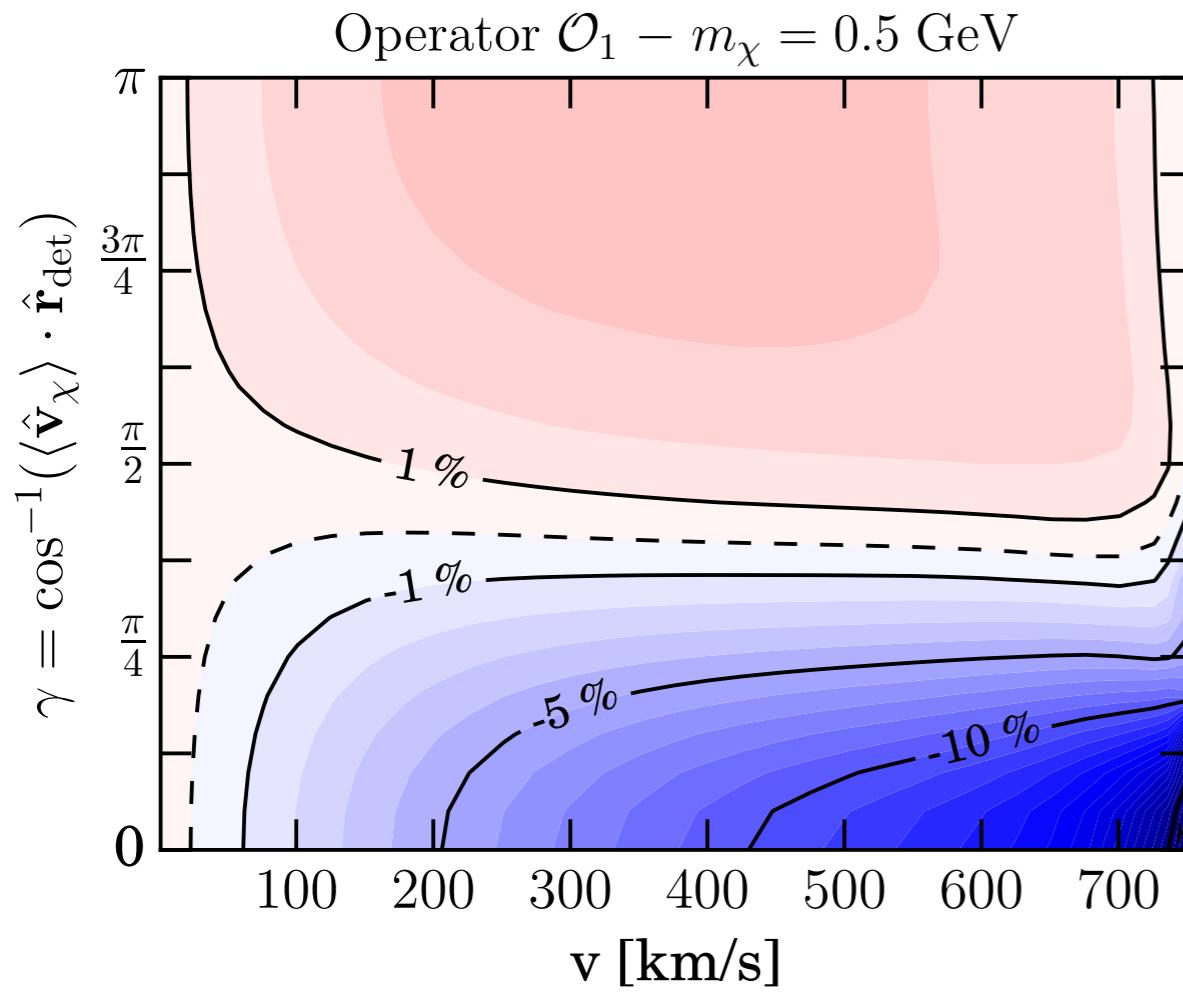
Speed Distribution - O_1 vs O_8



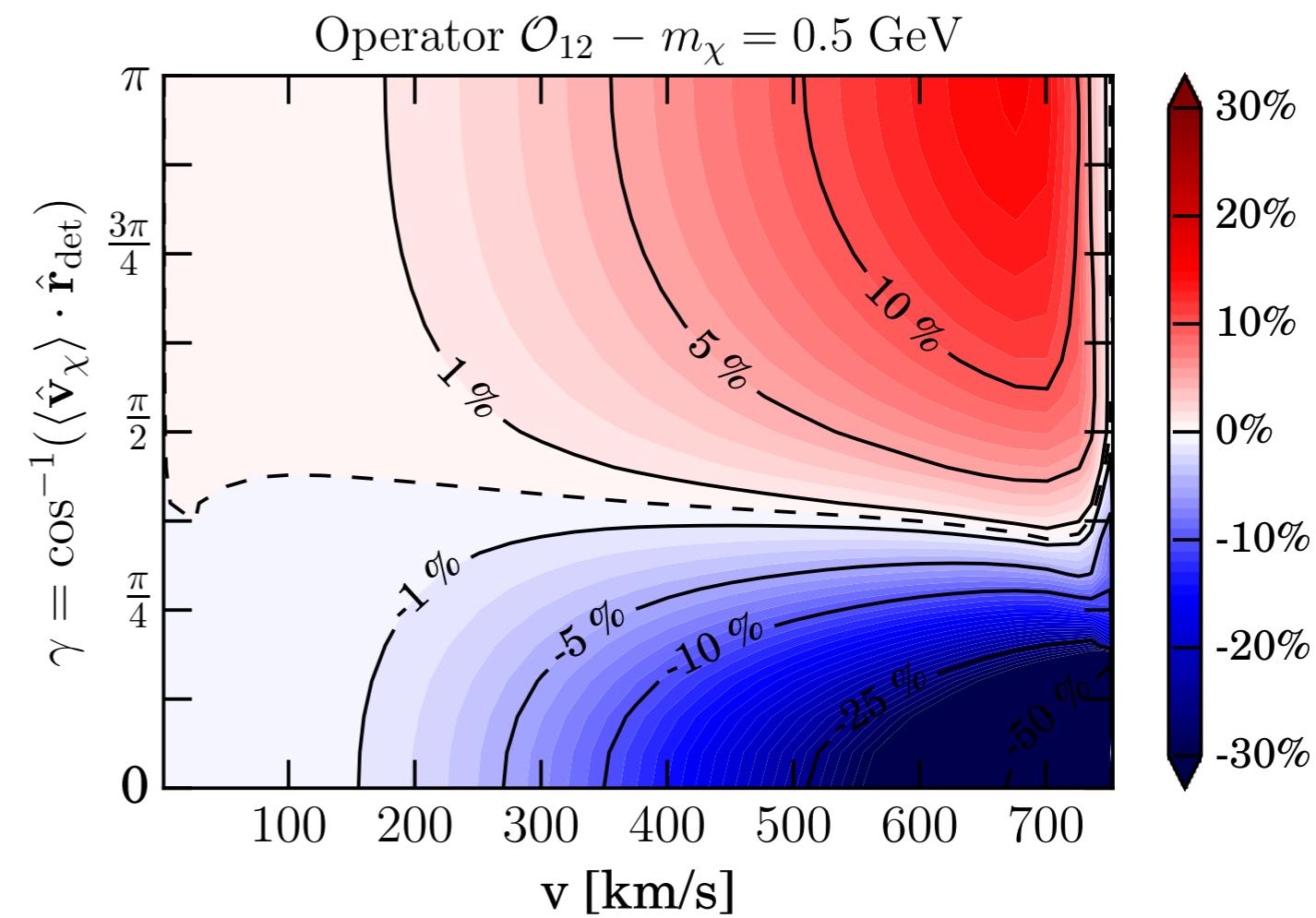
Operator 8 -
preferentially *forward* deflection



Speed Distribution - O_1 vs O_{12}



Operator 12 -
preferentially backward deflection



Sanity check

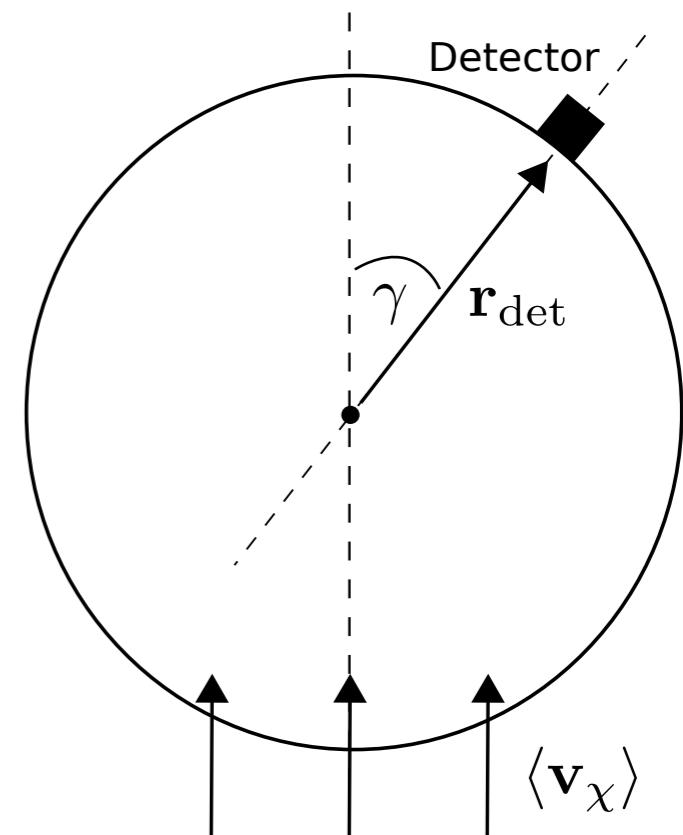
Compare rate of DM particles entering the Earth...

$$\Gamma_{\text{in}} = \pi R_{\oplus} \langle v \rangle$$

...and rate of DM particle leaving the Earth...

$$\Gamma_{\text{out}} = \int_{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{r} > 0} d^2\mathbf{r} \int d^3\mathbf{v} \tilde{f}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{r}) (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{r})$$

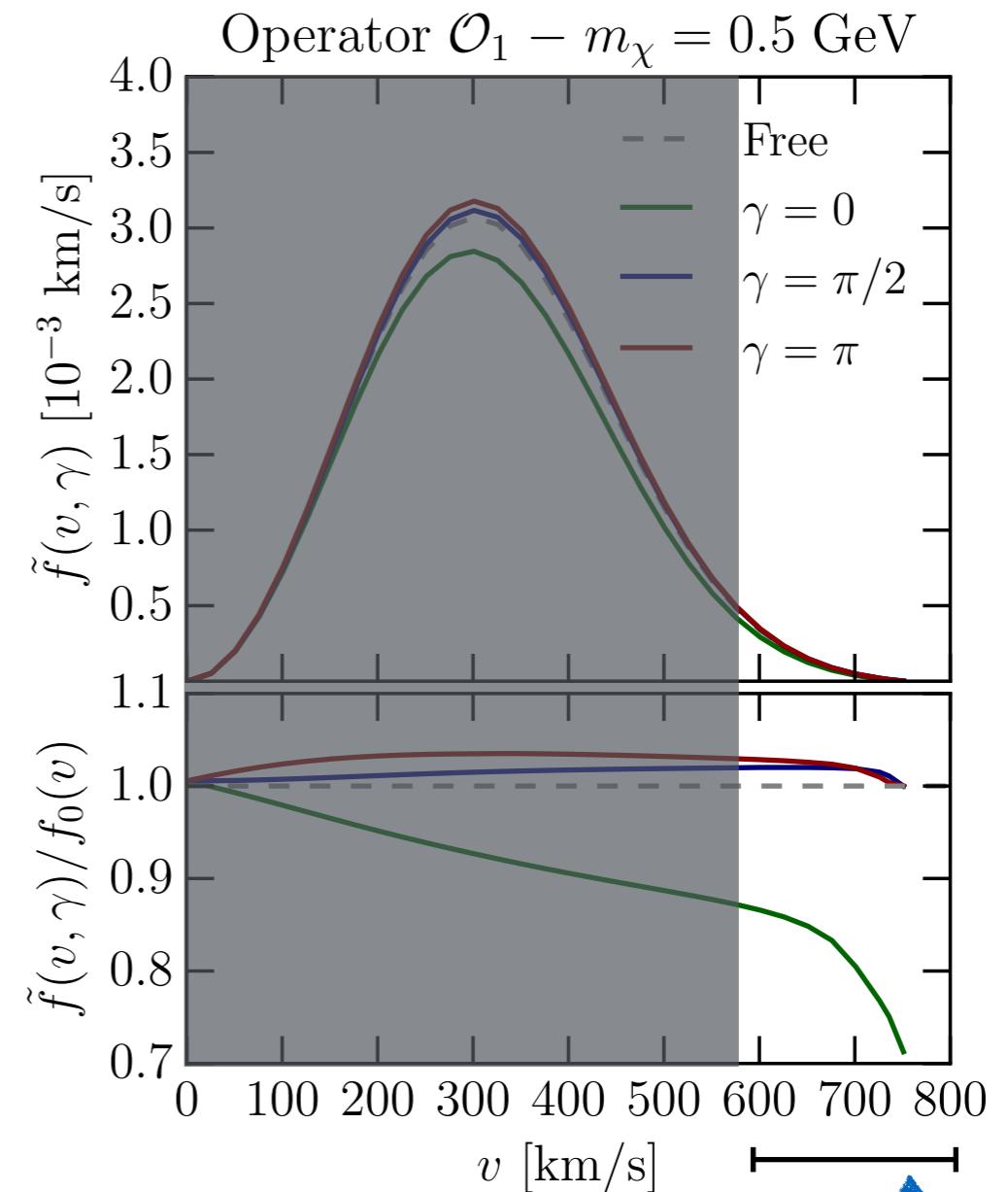
DM mass [GeV]	Operator	$\Delta\Gamma_{\text{out}}^{\text{Atten.}}/\Gamma_{\text{in}}$	$\Delta\Gamma_{\text{out}}^{\text{Defl.}}/\Gamma_{\text{in}}$	$\Gamma_{\text{out}}/\Gamma_{\text{in}}$
0.5	\hat{O}_1	-7.8%	+7.0%	99.2%
0.5	\hat{O}_8	-8.0%	+7.3%	99.2%
0.5	\hat{O}_{12}	-7.8%	+7.2%	99.4%
50	\hat{O}_1	-7.5%	+7.3%	99.9%
50	\hat{O}_8	-8.0%	+8.4%	100.4%
50	\hat{O}_{12}	-7.3%	+6.6%	99.3%



Event Rate

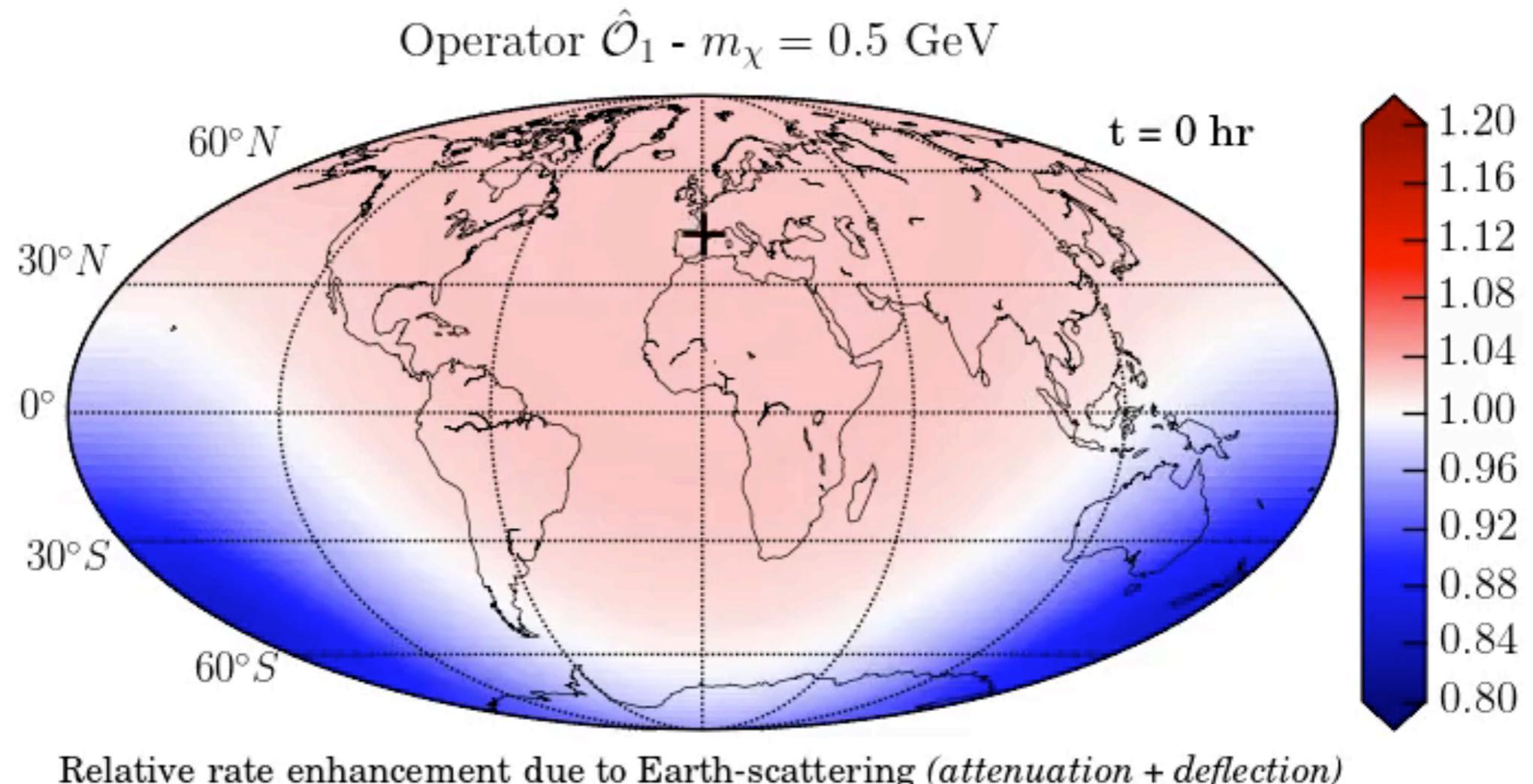
Calculate number of signal events in a CRESST-II like experiment, with and without the effects of Earth-Scattering, N_{pert} and N_{free} .

Scattering predominantly with Oxygen and Calcium.



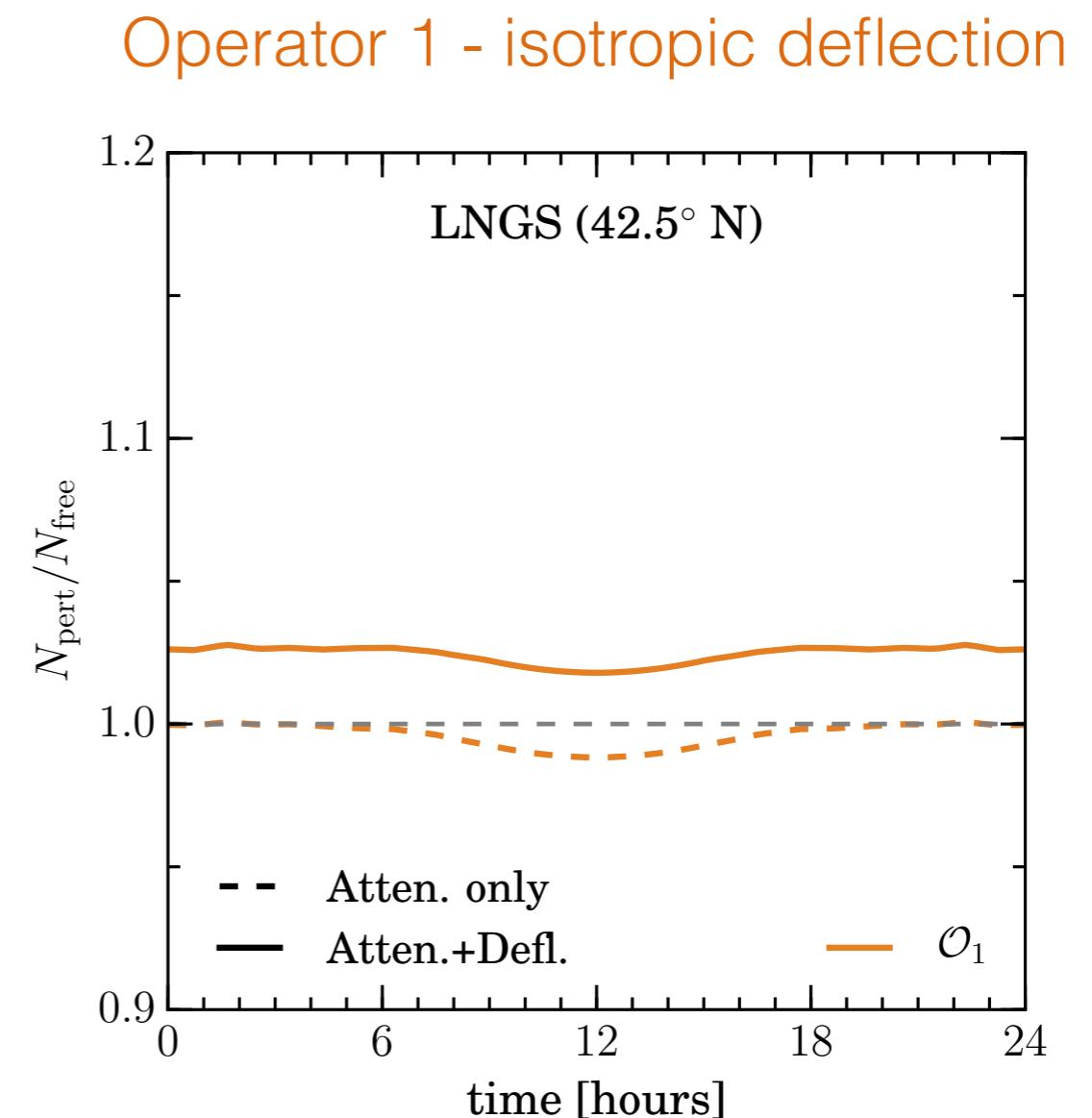
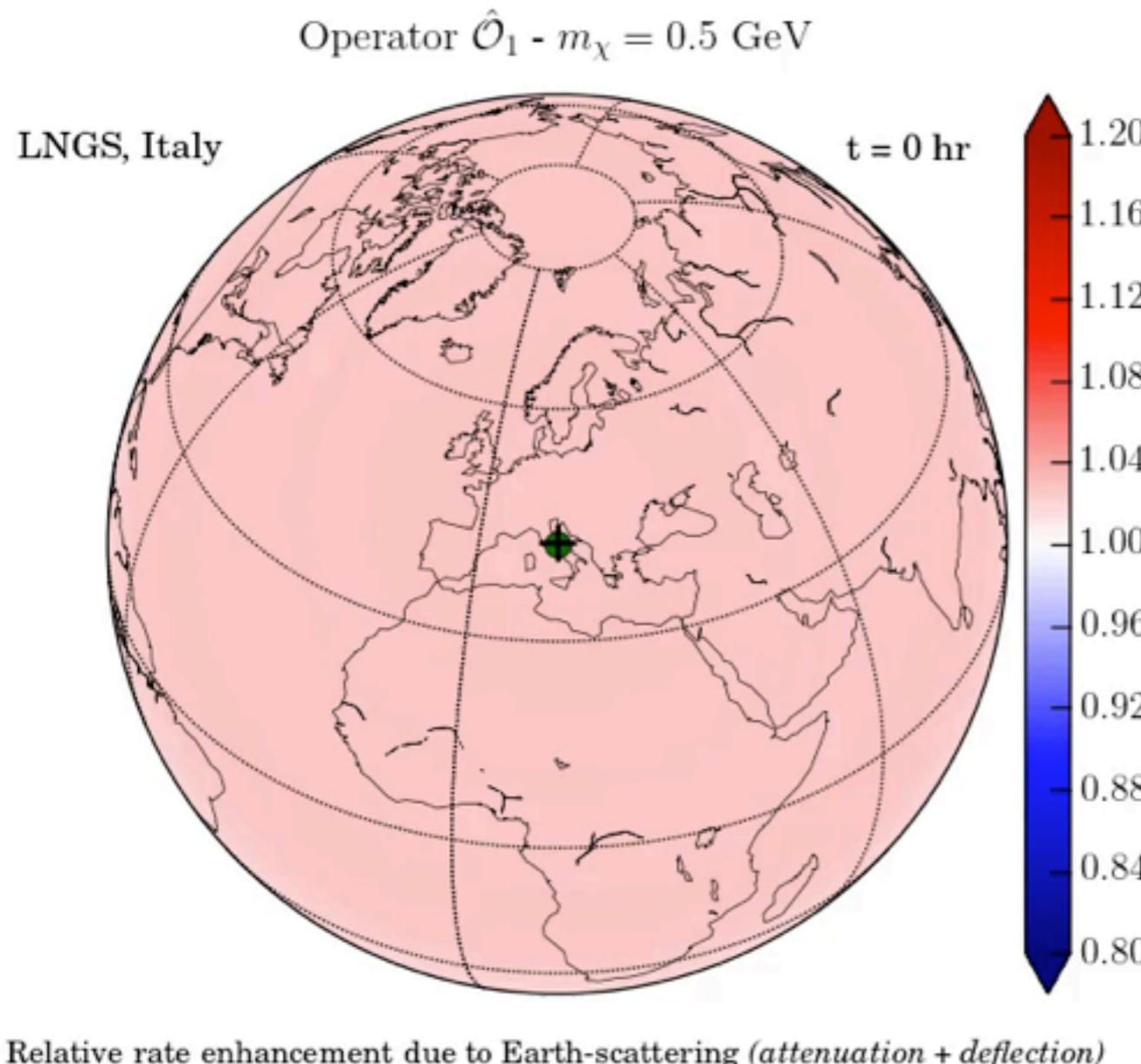
DM particles within $3\sigma_E$ of the energy threshold
 $E_{\text{th}} \sim 300 \text{ eV}$

Mapping the CRESST-II Rate



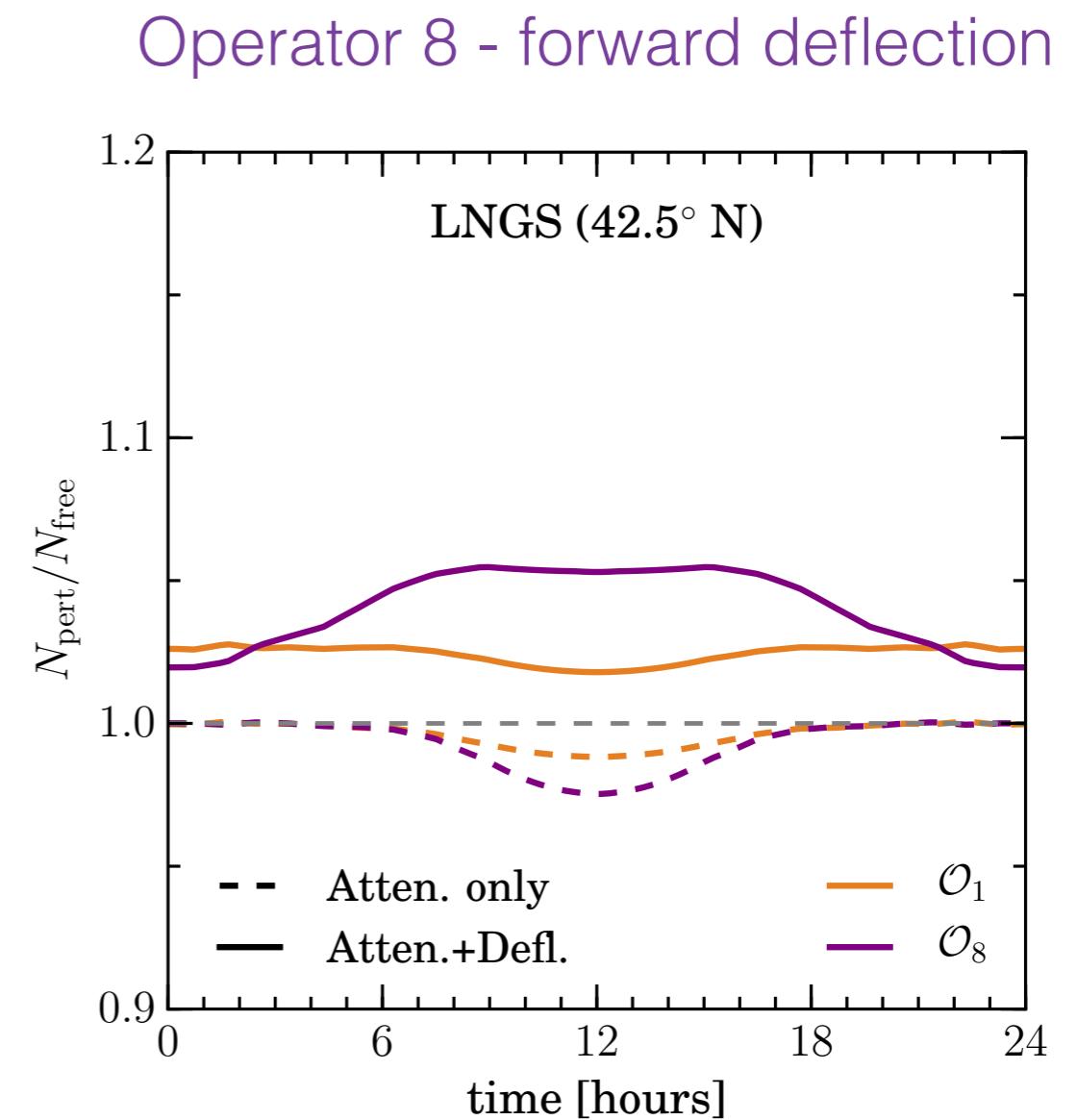
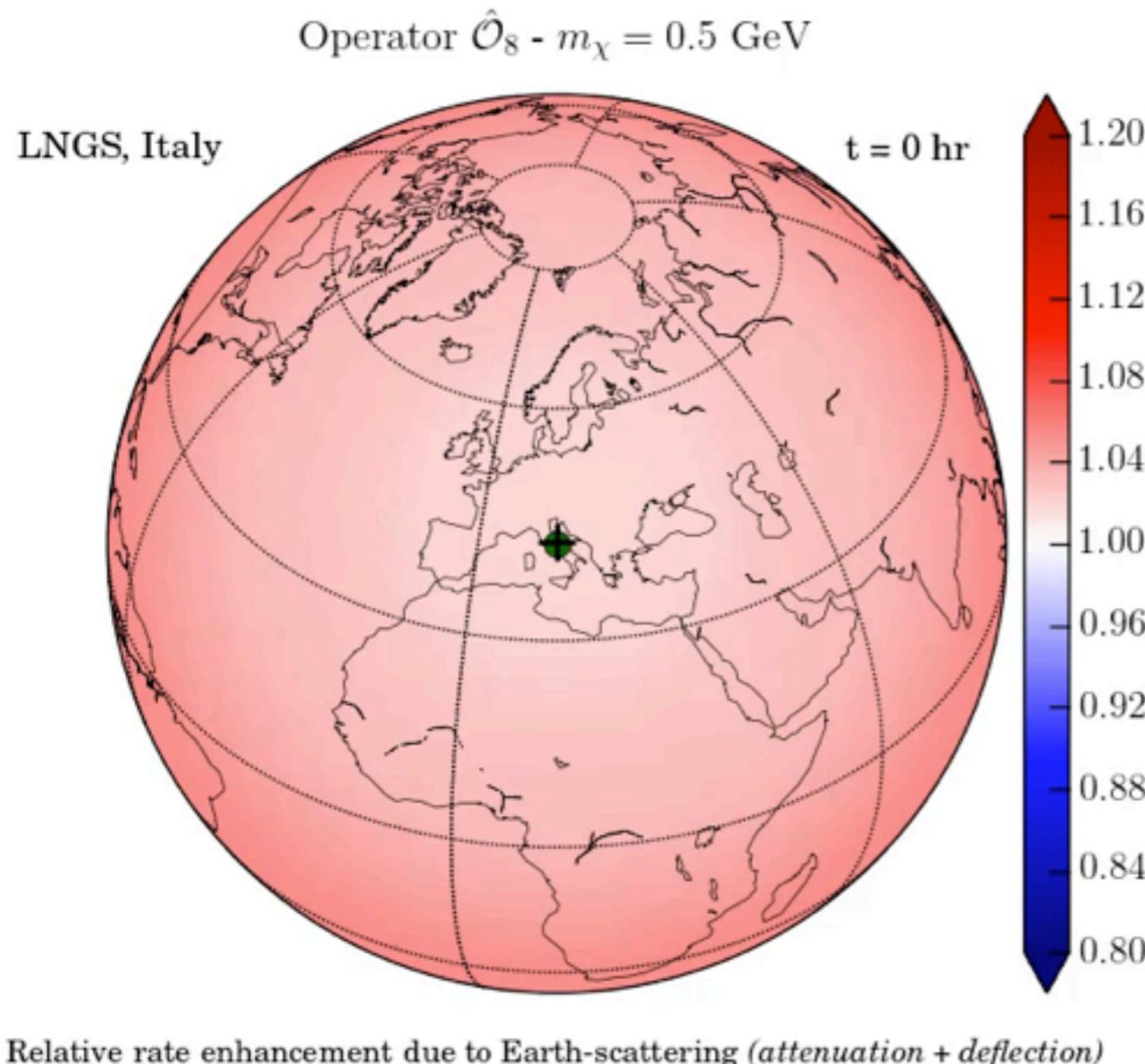
LNGS - Operator 1

LNGS - Gran Sasso Lab, Italy



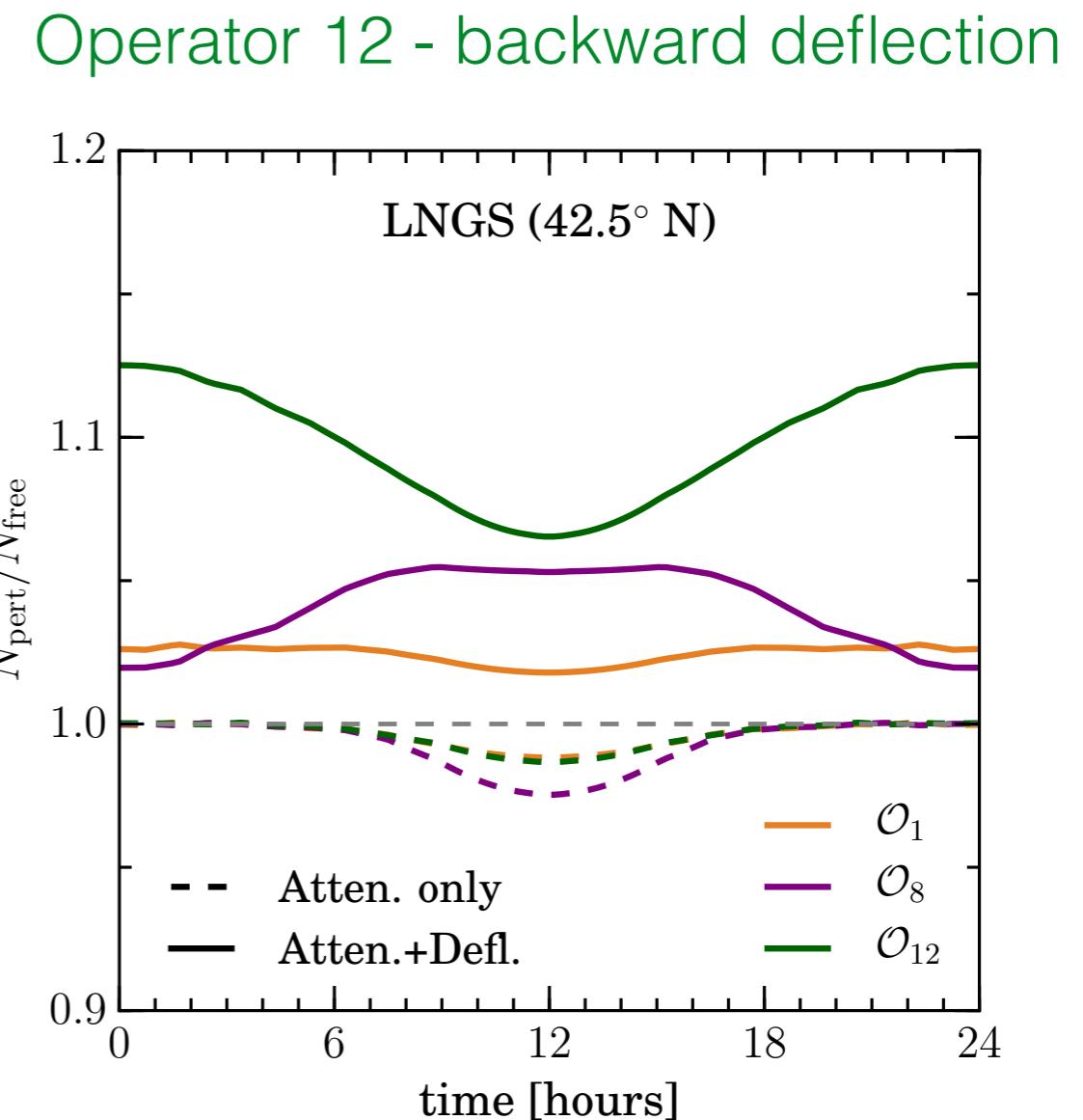
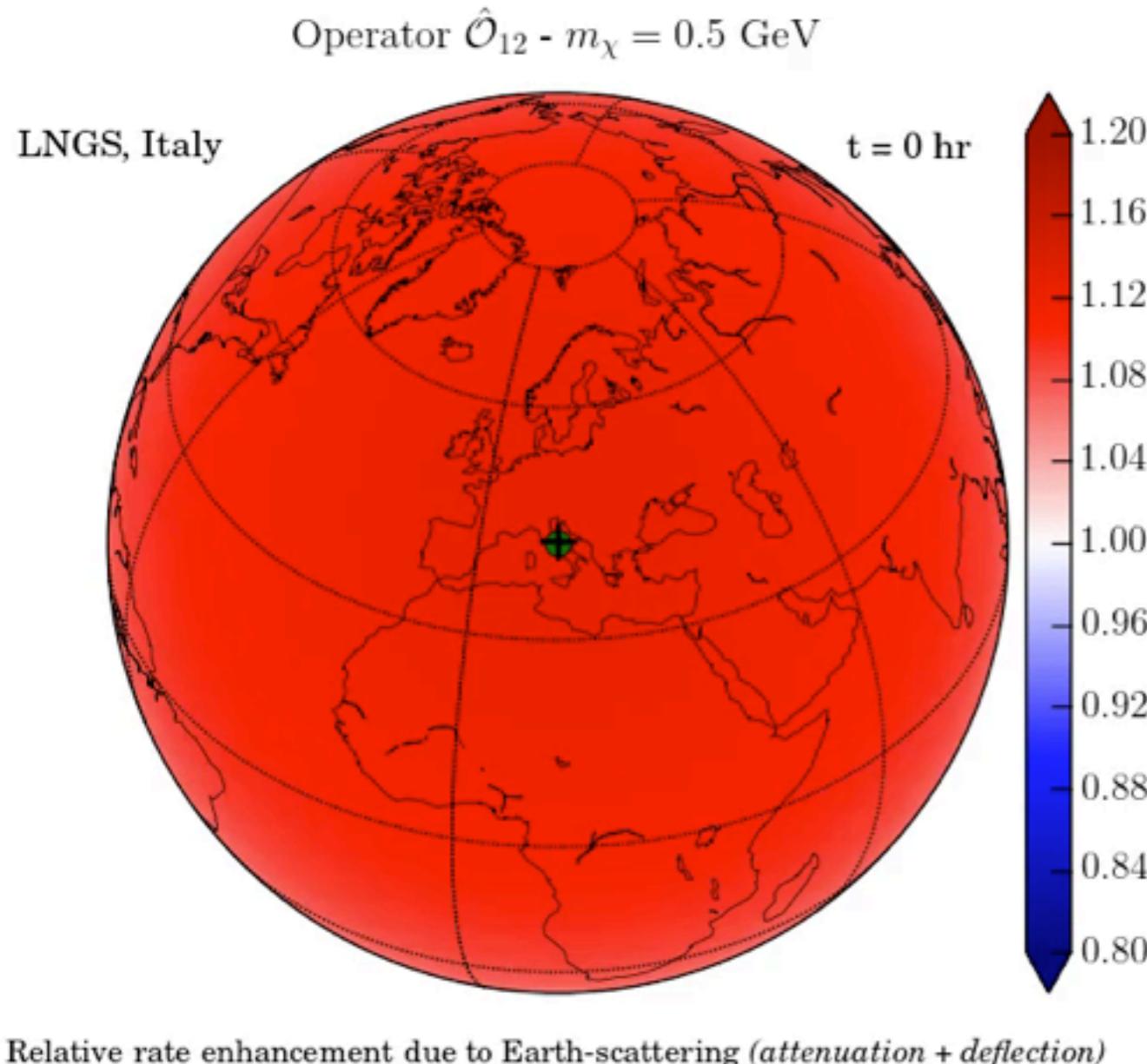
LNGS - Operator 8

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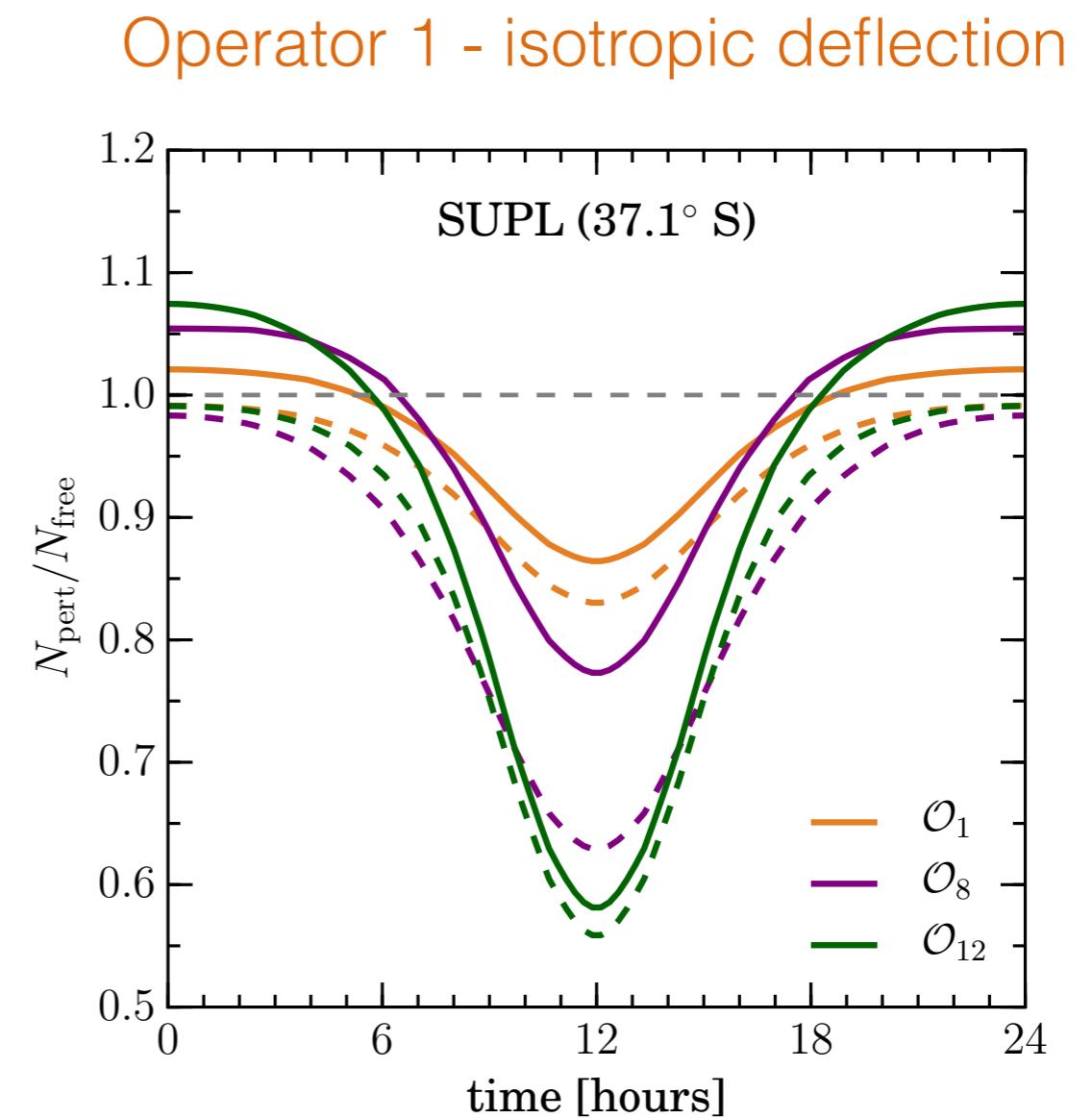
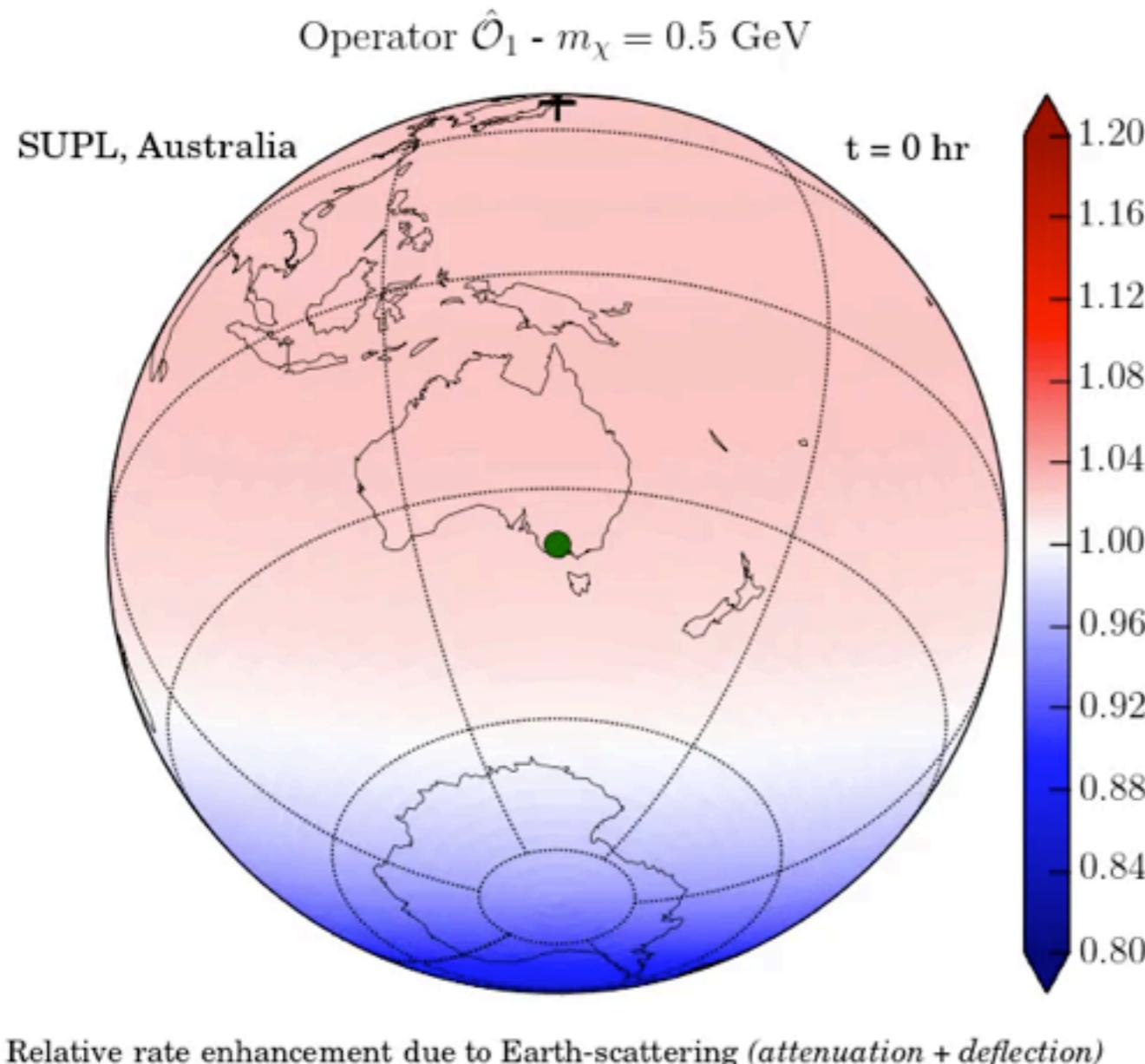
LNGS - Operator 12

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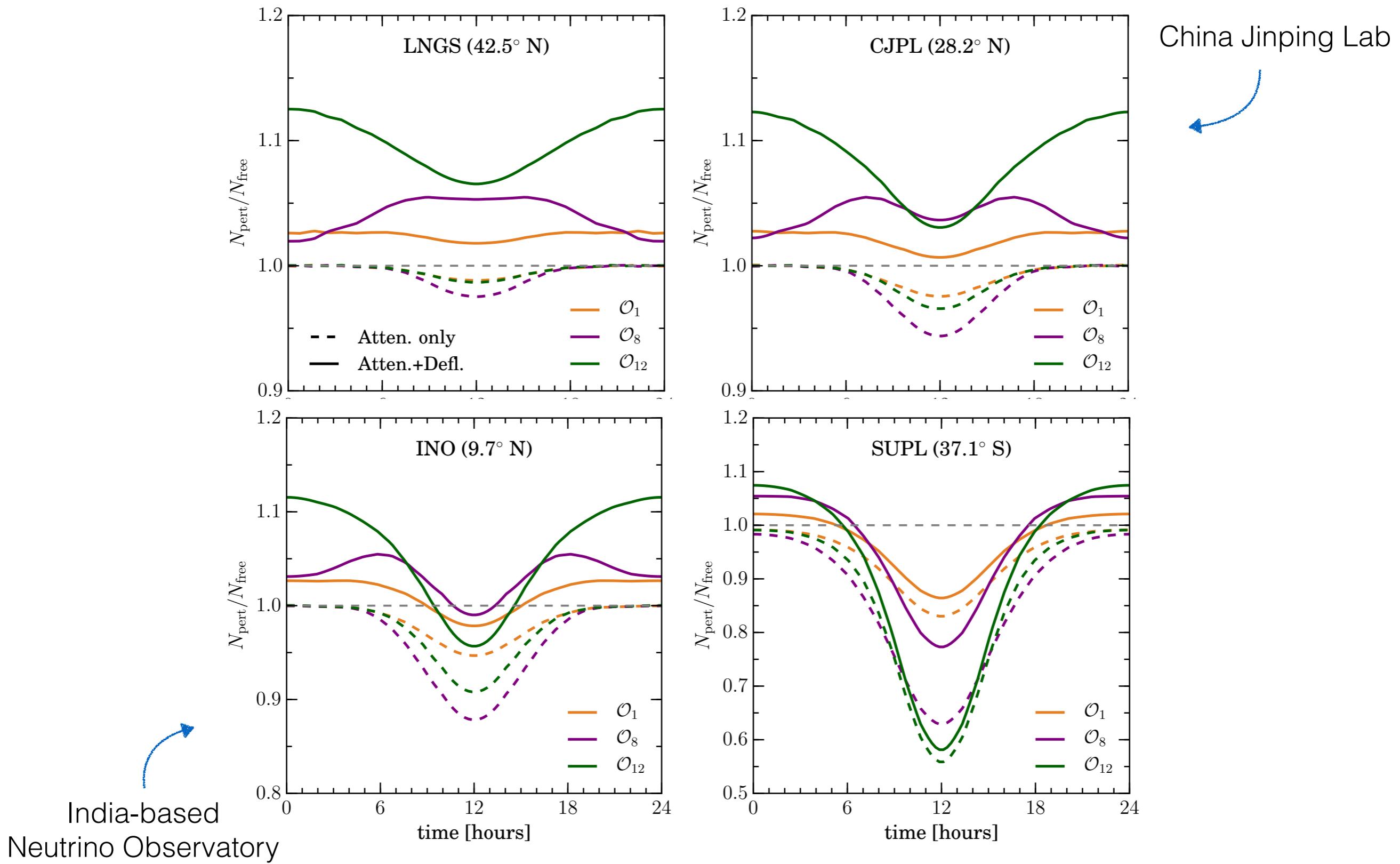


SUPL - Operator 1

SUPL - Stawell Underground Physics Lab, Australia



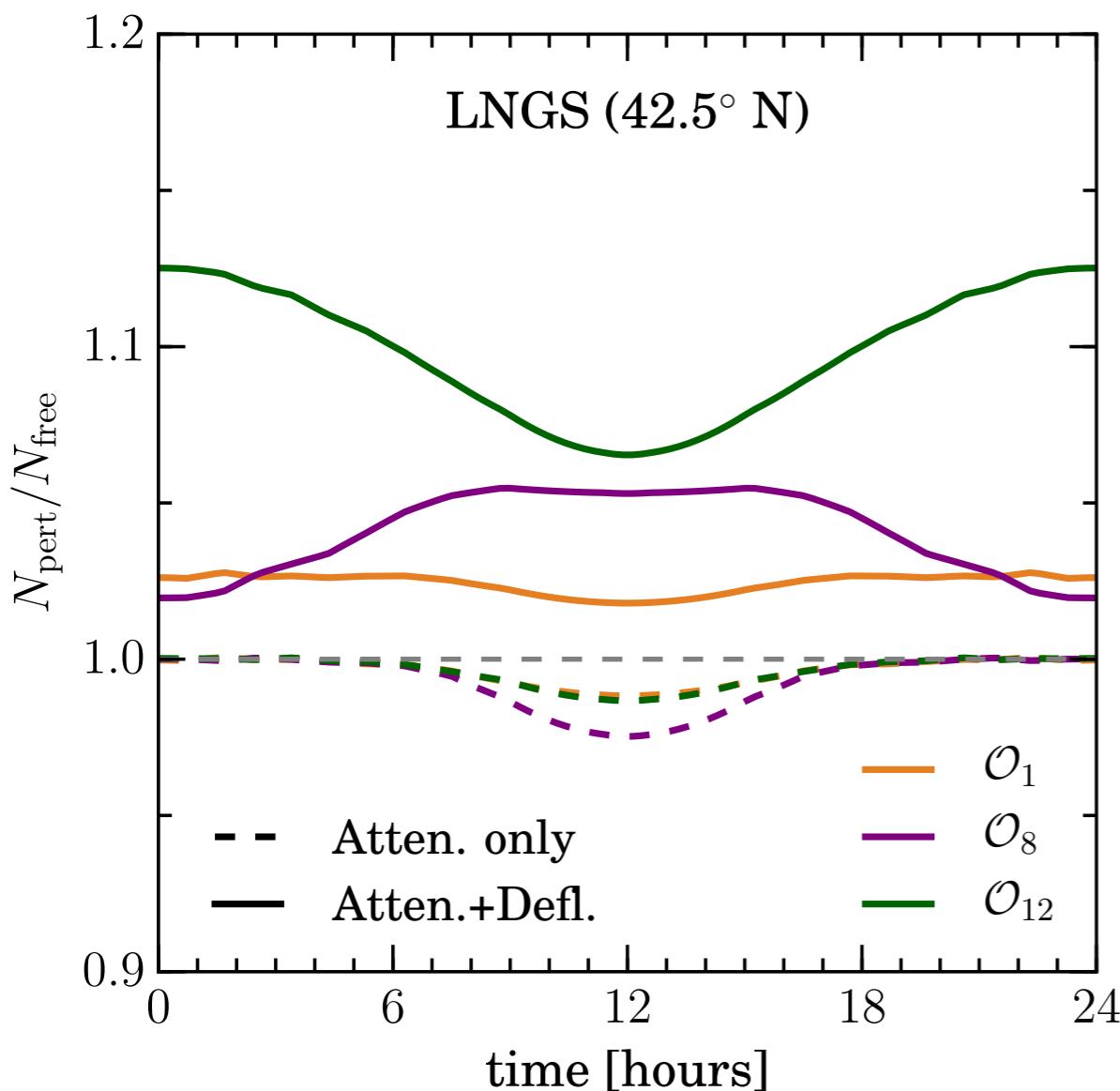
Around the world



Implications of Earth-Scattering

Careful calculation (including deflection and [attenuation](#))
in the ‘single-scatter’ regime

BJK, Catena & Kouvaris
[1611.05453]



Smoking gun signature:
daily modulation
+ location dependence
could confirm DM nature

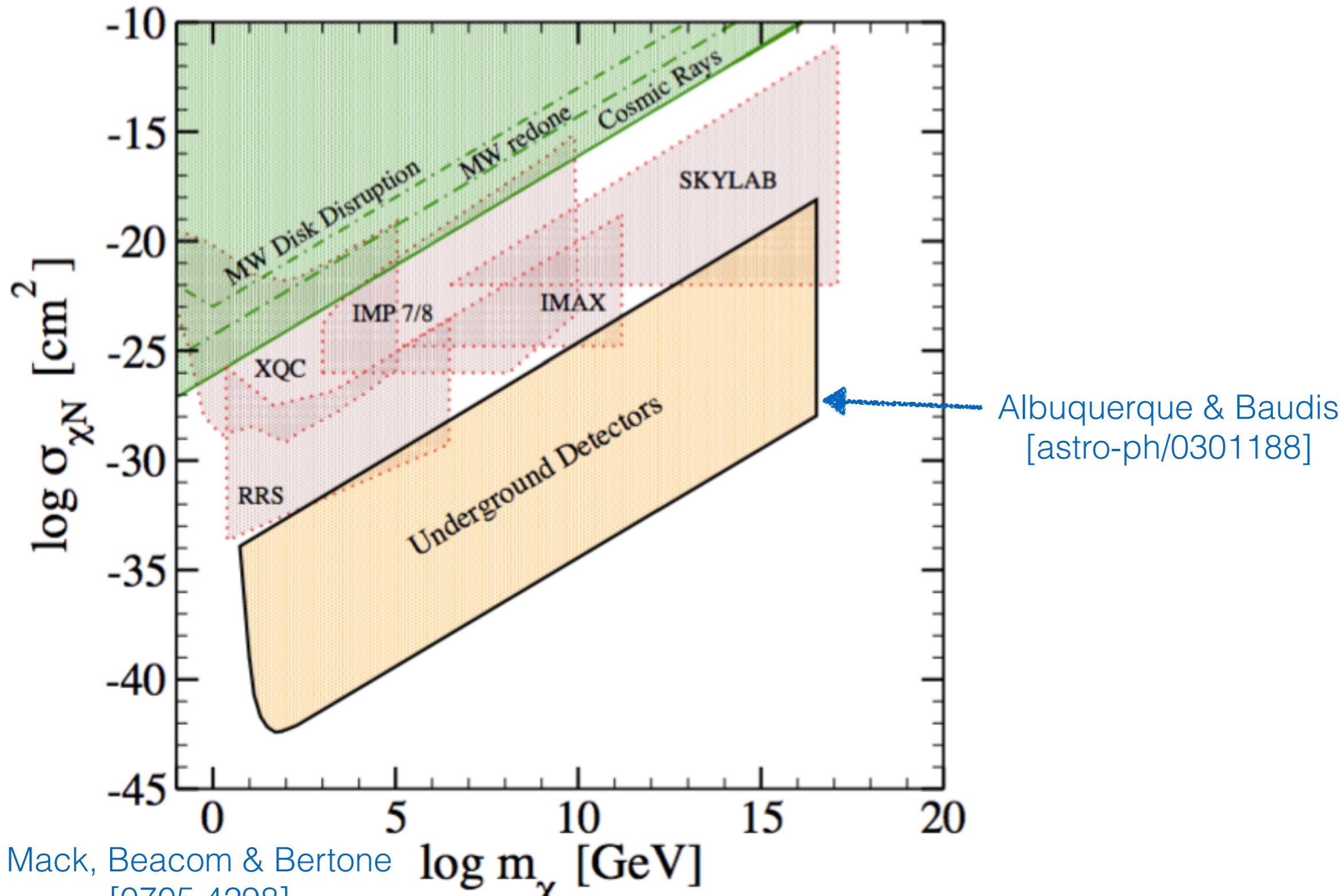
Possibility to [distinguish different interactions](#) with different amplitude and phase of modulation

[EARTHSHADOW code available online](#)
to include these effects:
github.com/bradkav/EarthShadow

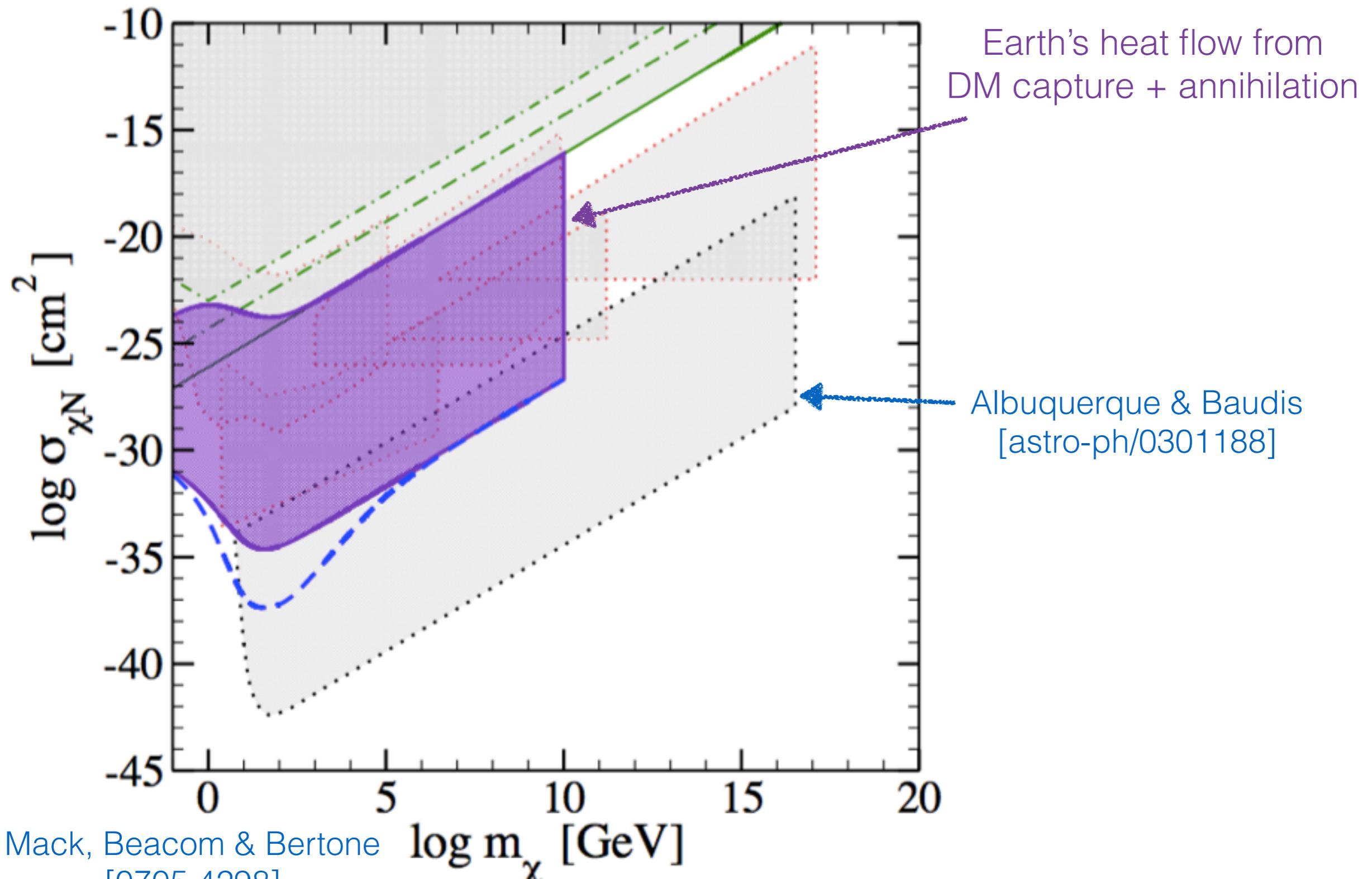
WIMPzillas!

PRELIMINARY

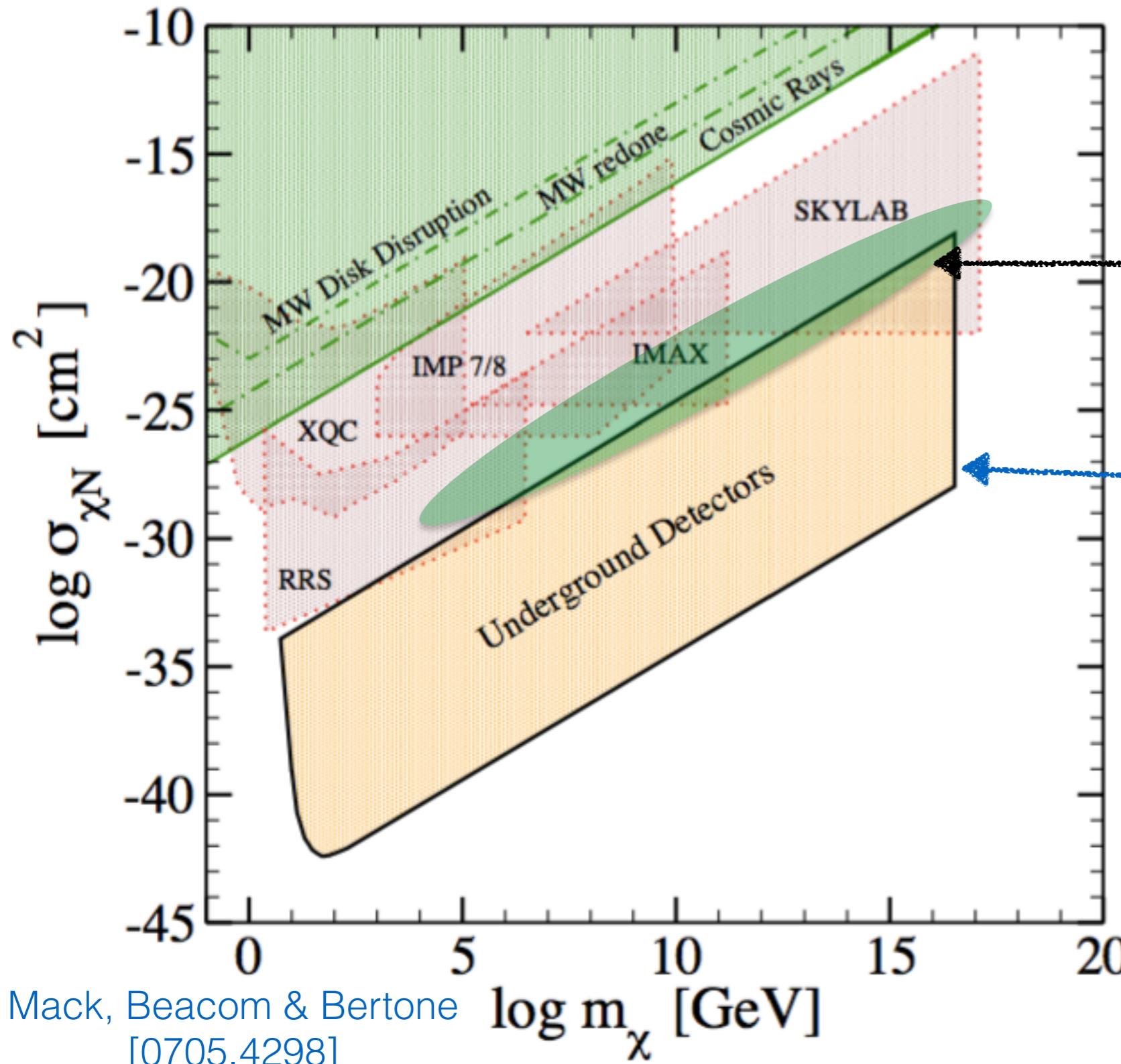
Direct Detection Landscape - zoomed out



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Mack, Beacom & Bertone
[0705.4298]

Assume e.g. asymmetric DM:
no heat flux from annihilation

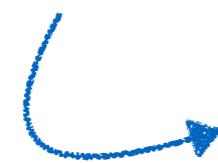
Focus on this
region

Albuquerque & Baudis
[astro-ph/0301188]

Earth-scattering for super-heavy DM

Deflection of DM (per scatter) goes as $m_A/m_\chi \ll 1$

Can show that $v_\perp(t)^2 \sim \sigma n_A \frac{m_A^2}{m_\chi^2} v_0^4 t \ll v_0^2$



Deflection is almost always negligible

Only need to consider *stopping* of ultra-heavy DM:

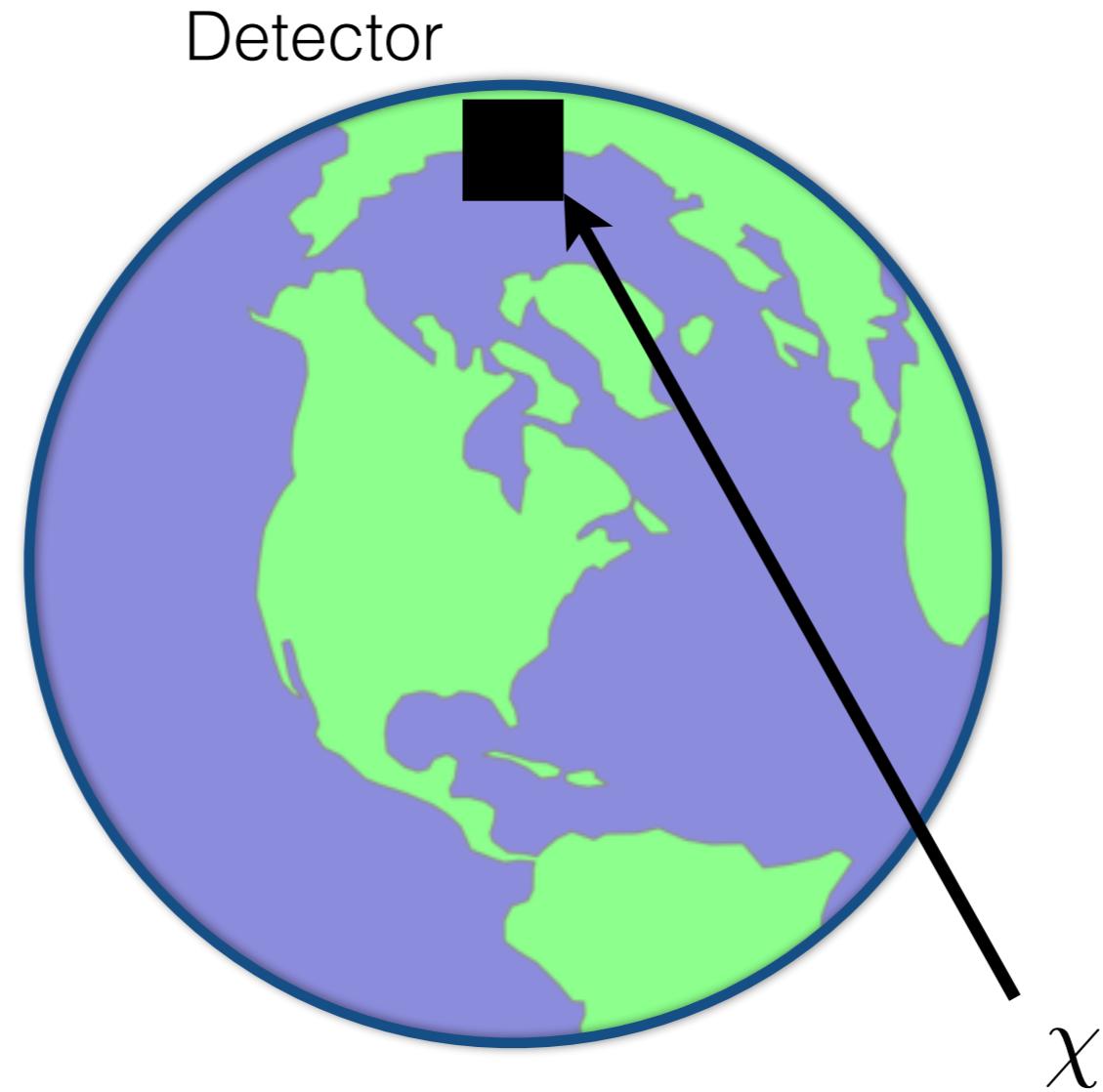
$$\frac{dv}{dx} = -v \sigma_p^{\text{SI}} \sum_i^{\text{species}} n_i(\mathbf{r}) \left(\frac{m_i}{m_\chi} \right) A_i^4 C_i(v)$$

‘Correction factor’ due to
nuclear form factors

Solve to find final DM speed v_f given initial DM speed v_i and incoming direction $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$:

$$v_f = \phi(v_i, \hat{\mathbf{v}})$$

Earth-stopping for super-heavy DM



Distribution of DM reaching the detector with velocity \mathbf{v}_f :

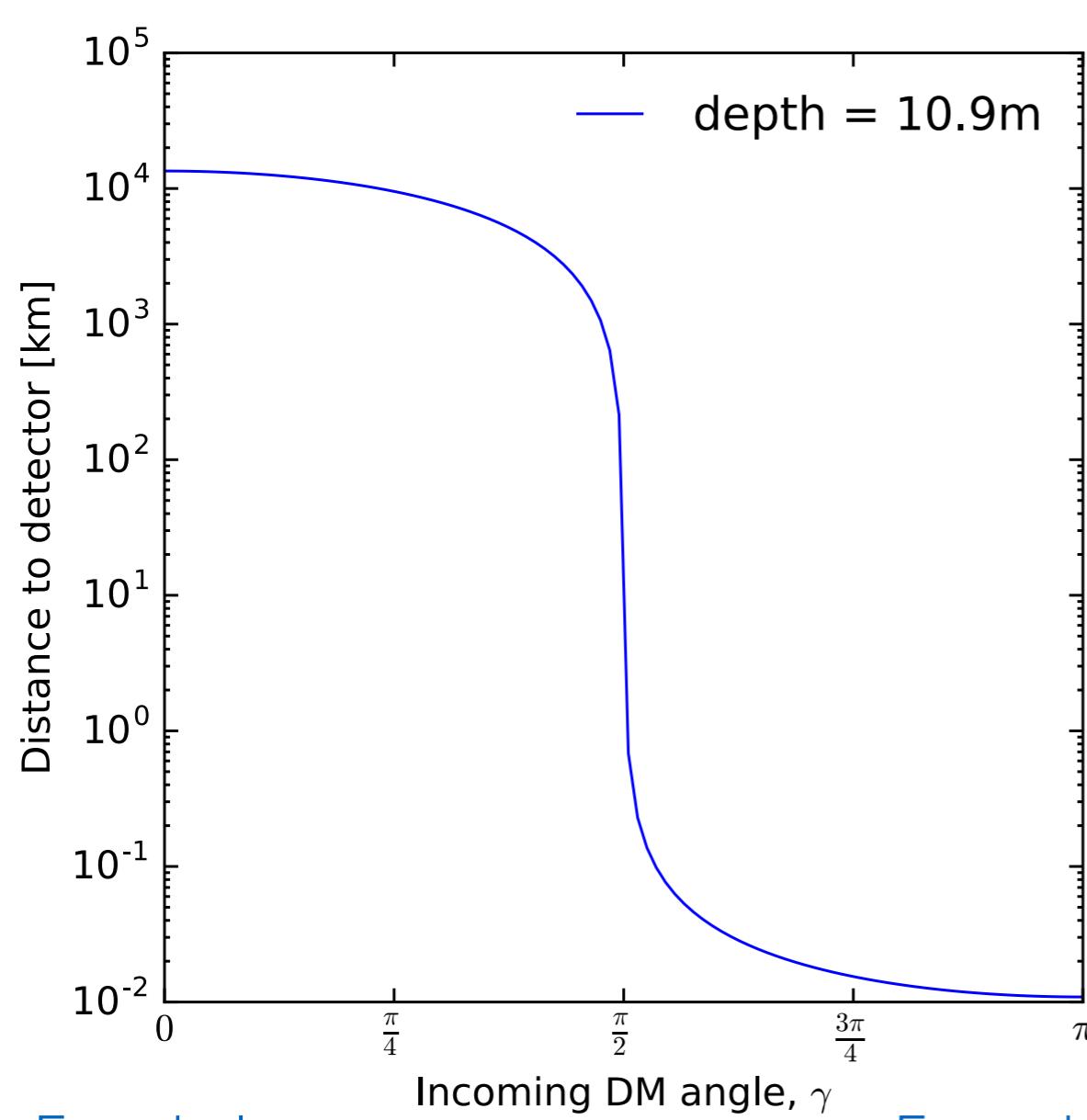
$$\tilde{f}(\mathbf{v}_f) = f_0(\phi^{-1}(v_f, \hat{\mathbf{v}}), \hat{\mathbf{v}})$$

$v_i = \phi^{-1}(v_f, \hat{\mathbf{v}})$ is the initial velocity the particle must have had

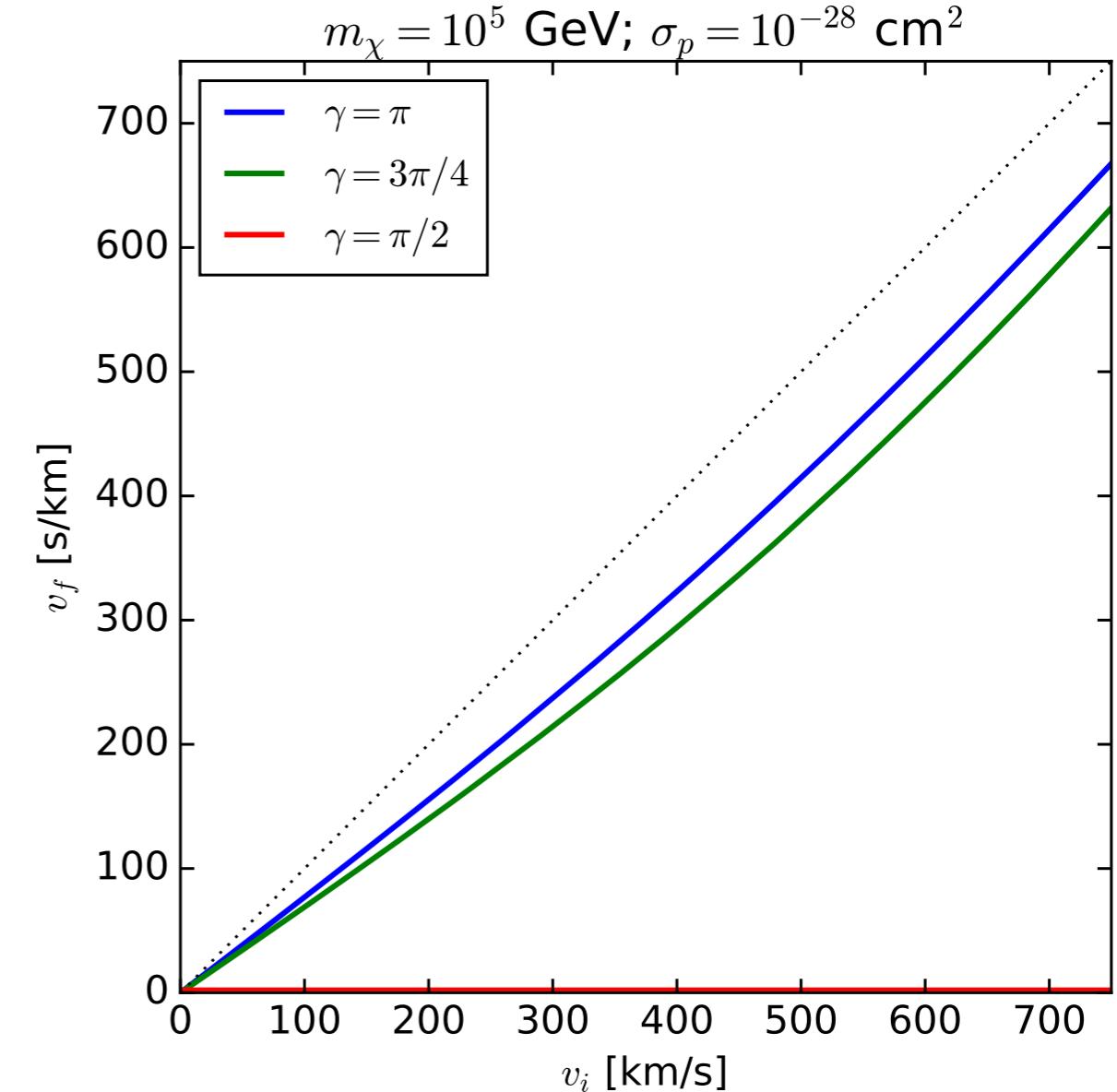
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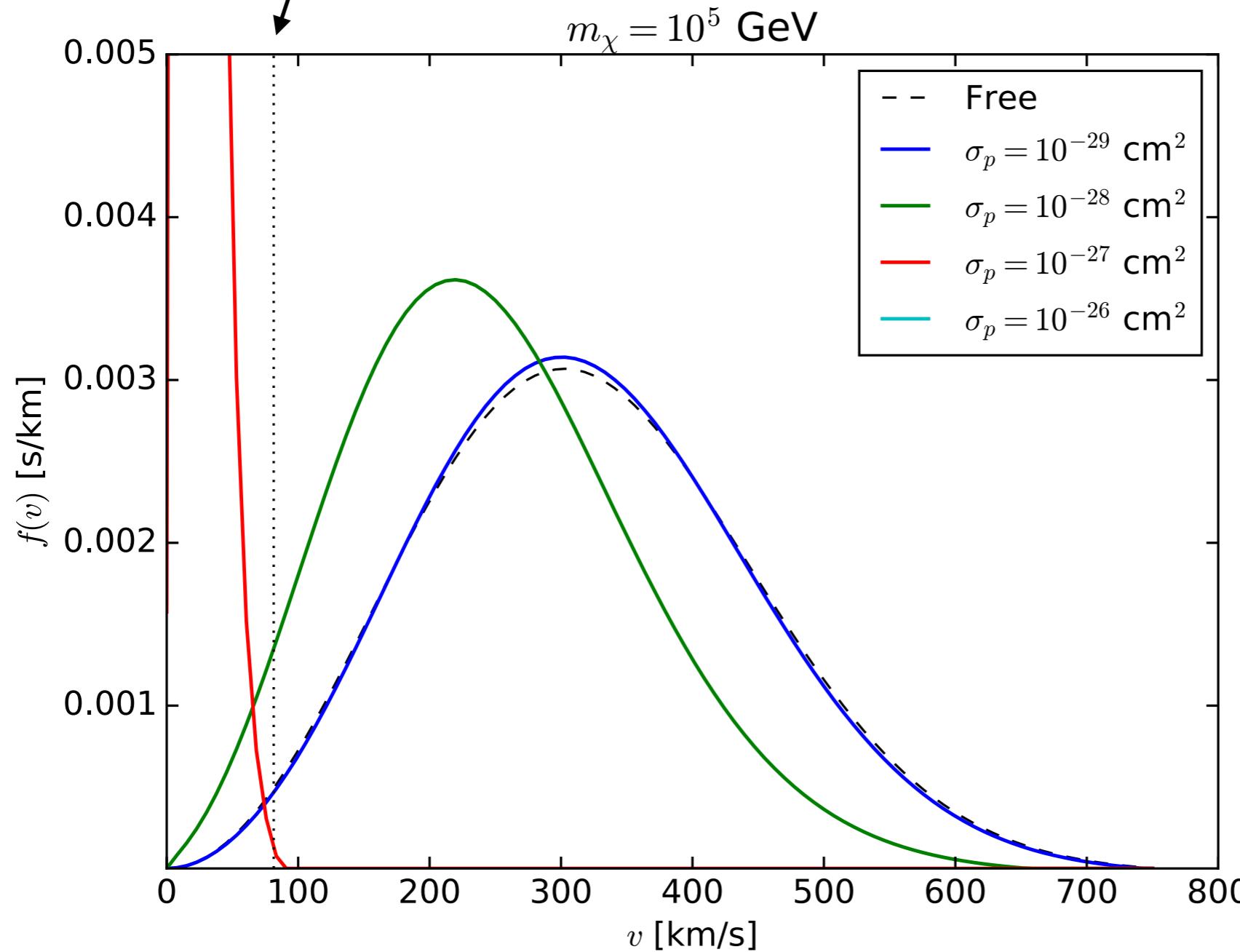


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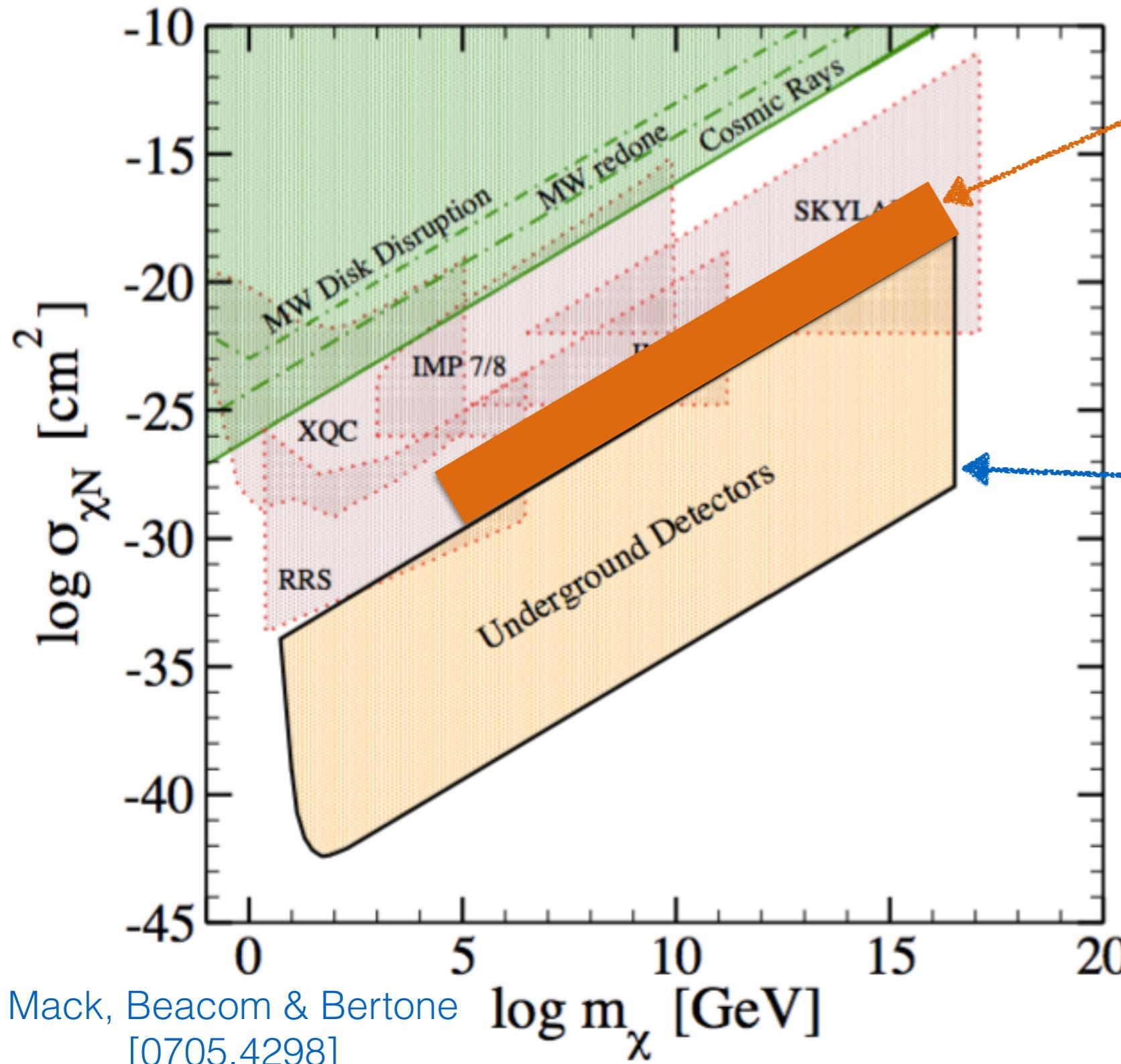
10 keV CDMS I threshold



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Assume on average that the
DM flux comes from about
40 degrees off vertical

Preliminary Results



Possible gain of about
3 orders of magnitude
in cross section

Albuquerque & Baudis
[astro-ph/0301188]

Caveats

Need to include *all* Earth elements (but expect Silicon to dominate)

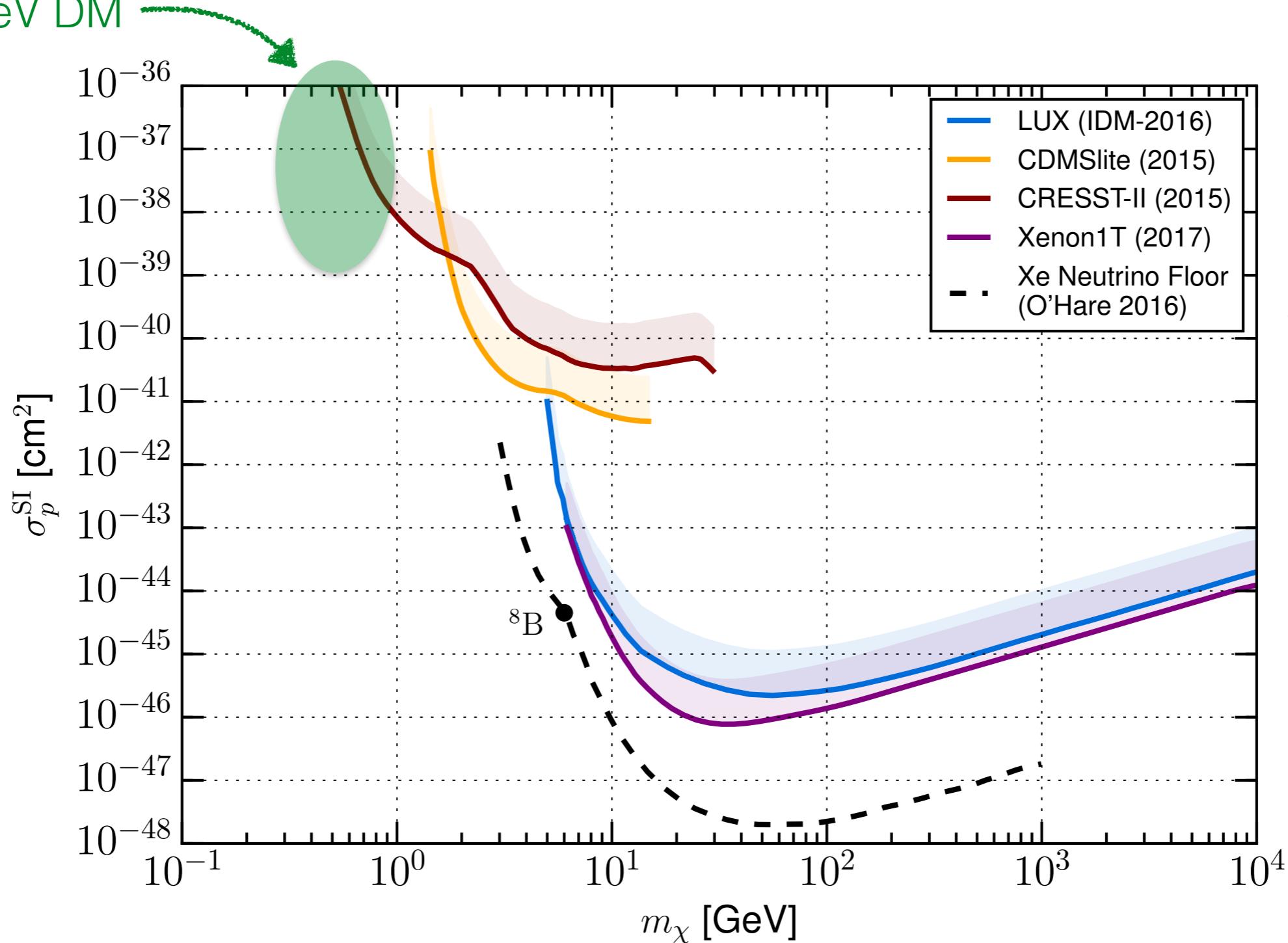
Need to take into account energy losses in the detector shielding
(e.g. 1cm thick lead shield)

Need to perform full *careful* rate calculation

Expect ~2 orders of magnitude improvement in limits (rather than 3),
once I've calmed down and done everything properly...

Direct Detection Landscape

Sub-GeV DM



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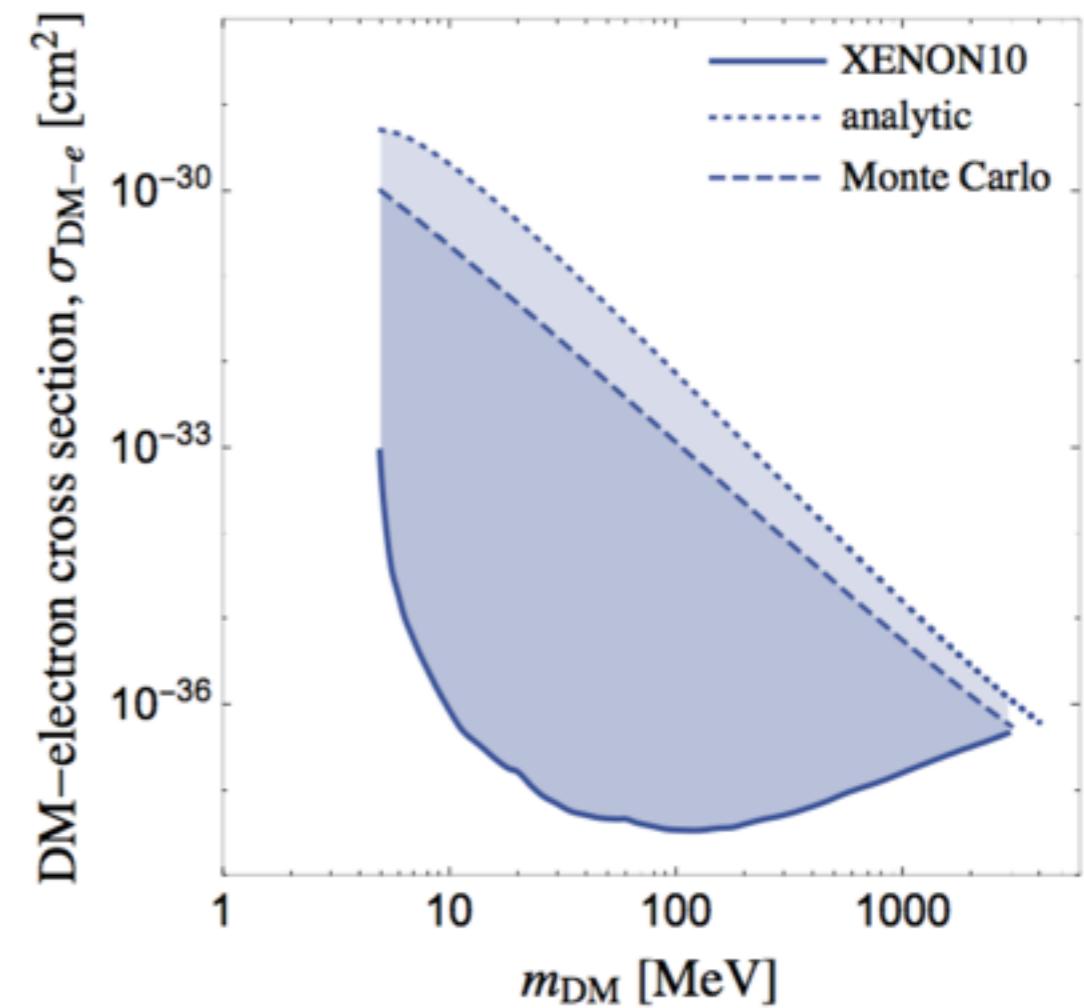
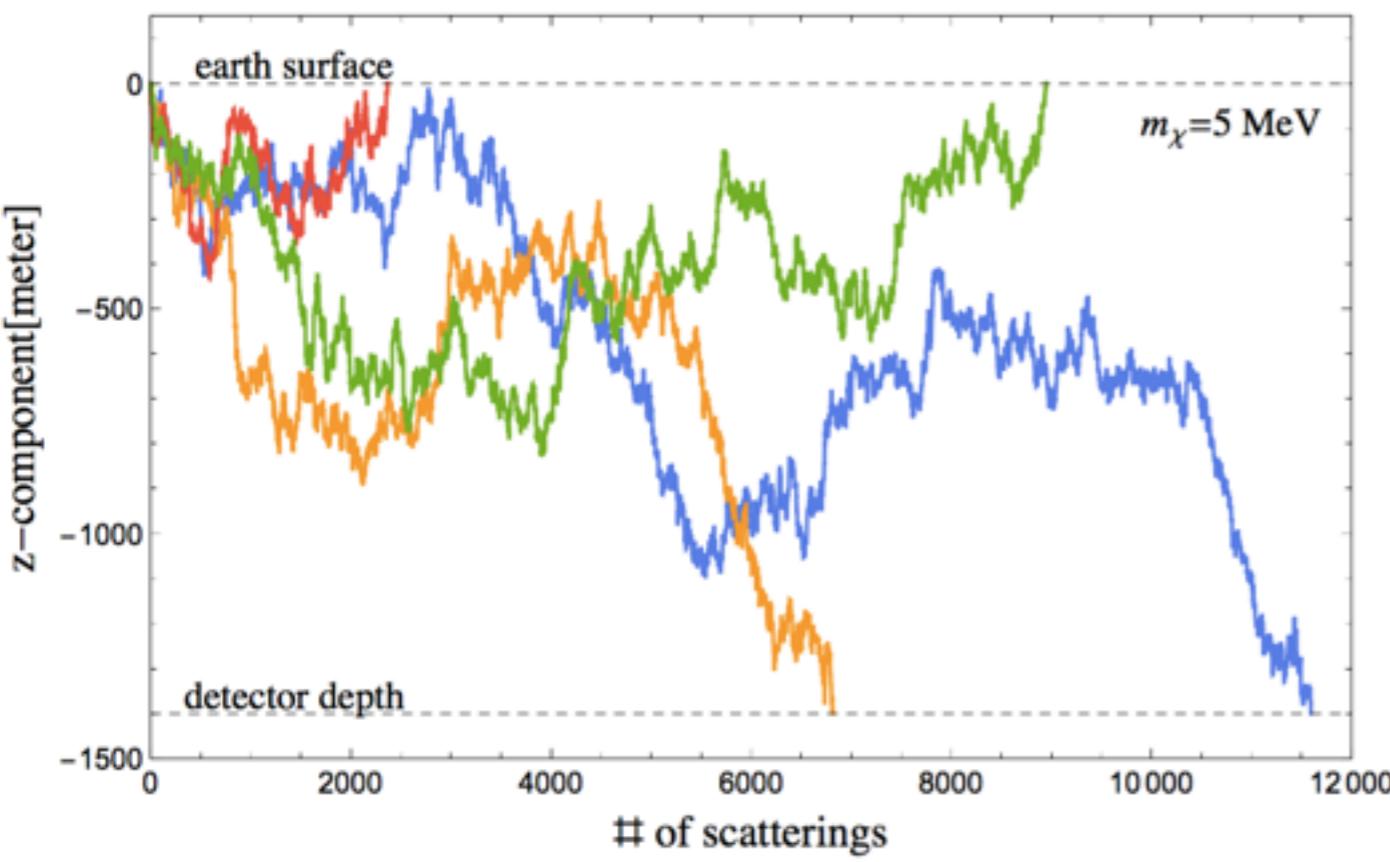
Still interesting parts of the landscape where Earth-scattering can be explored...

Backup Slides

Monte Carlo Simulations

State-of-the-art MC simulations are currently in development -
see Emken, Kouvaris & Shoemaker [1702.07750]

Takes deflection into account in a thin portion of Earth's crust:



But still need analytic calculations to test and calibrate!