

# DETECTING DARK MATTER IN PLANETS

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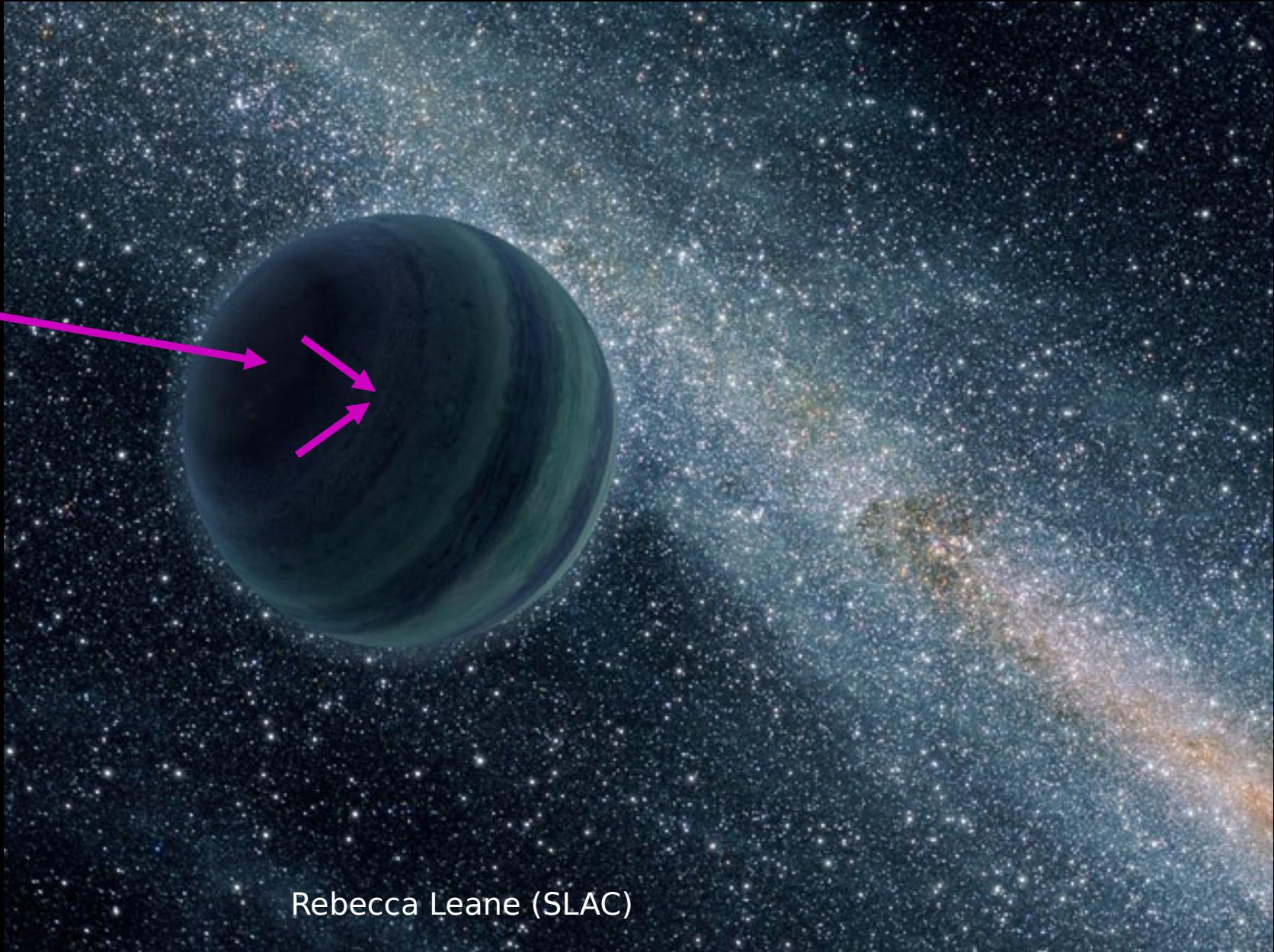
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# Outline

- New Search for Dark Matter in Exoplanets
  - Why exoplanets?
  - Calculating the signal
  - Detecting the signal
  - Dark Matter mass and cross section sensitivity
  - Outlook: what's needed next
- New Search and Analysis of Jupiter in Gamma Rays

# Dark Matter in Exoplanets

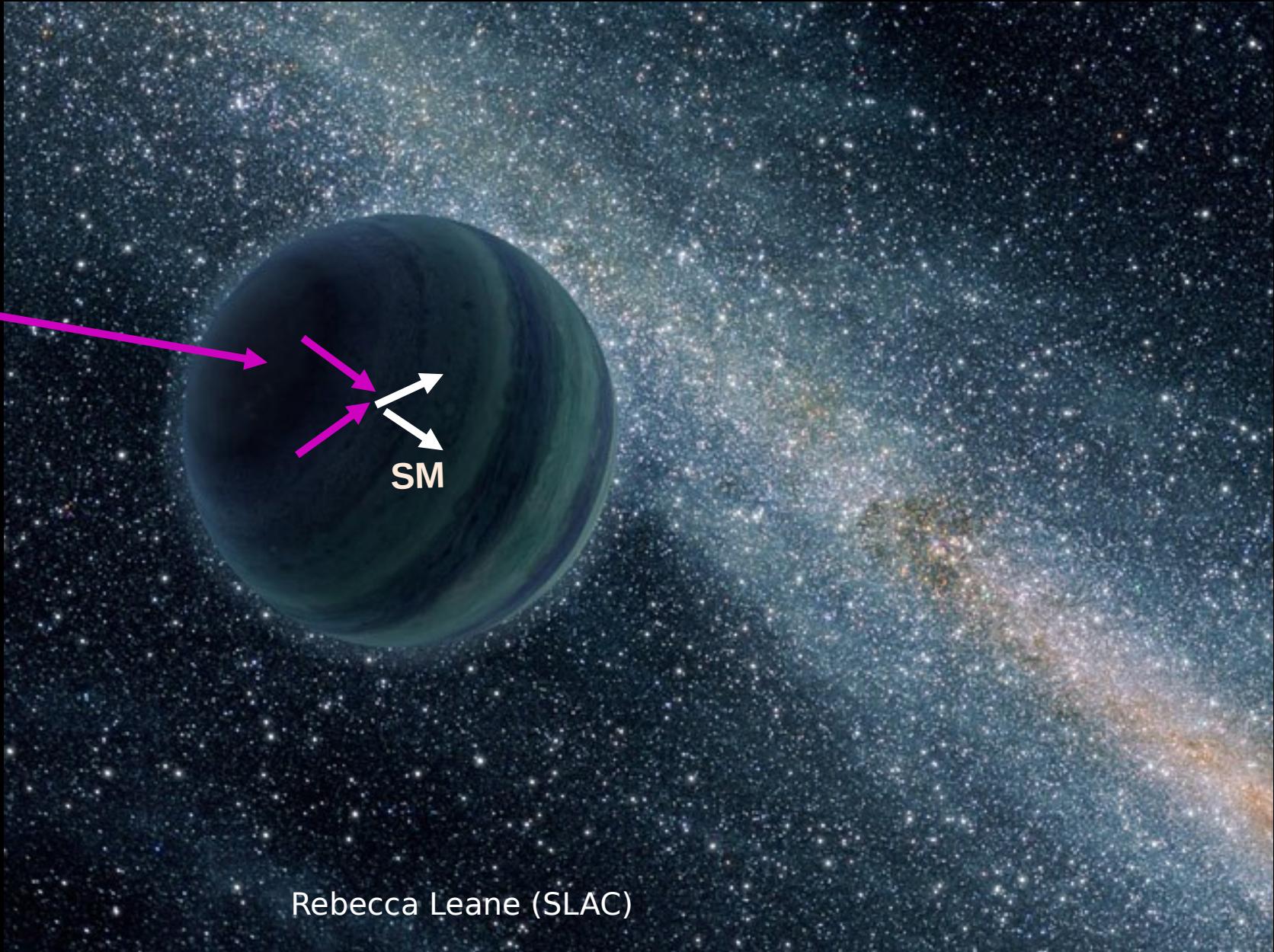
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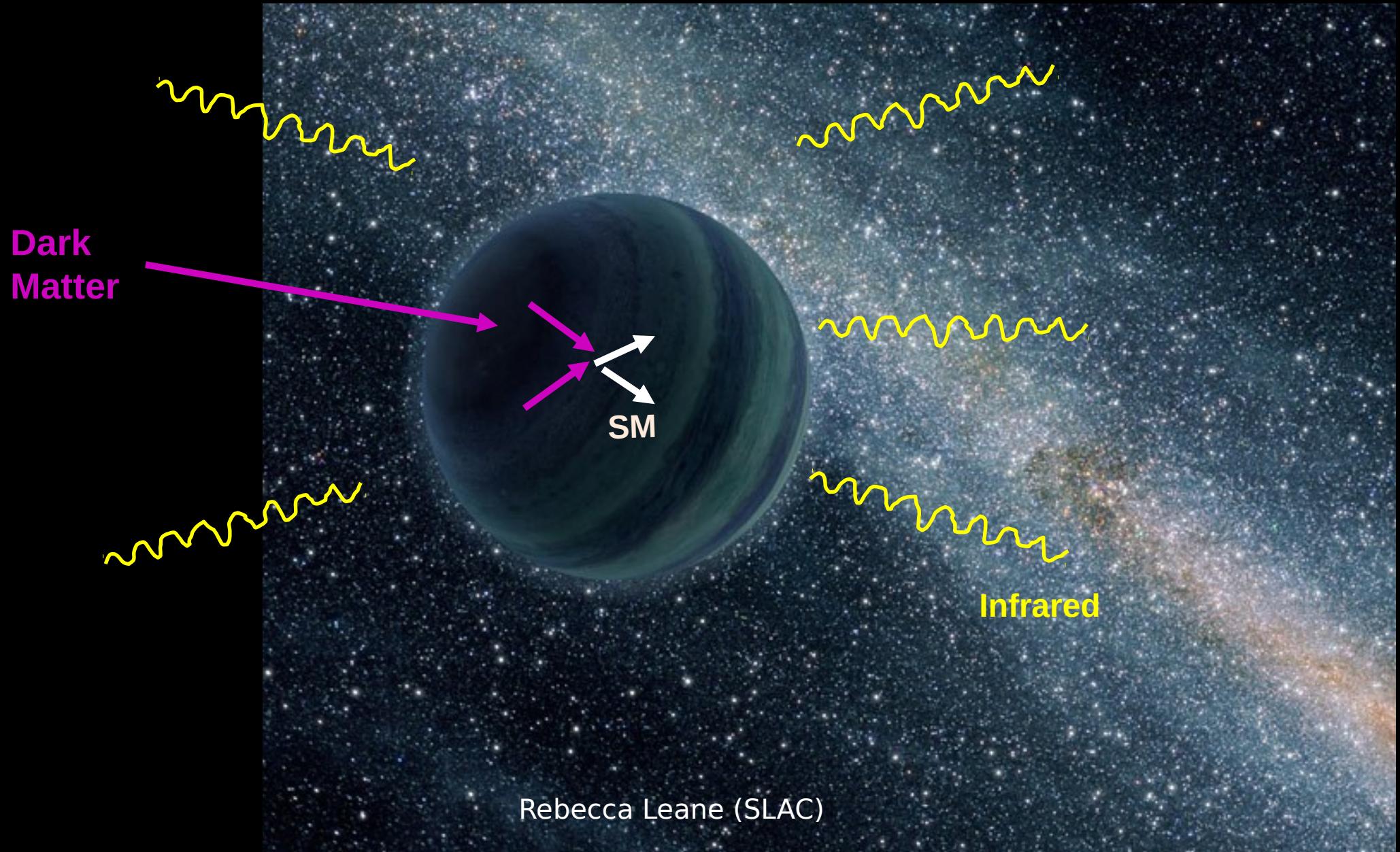
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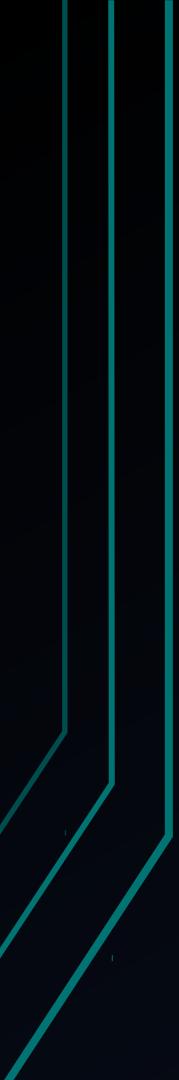


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# Dark Matter in Exoplanets



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# *Why Exoplanets?*

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# Advantage 1: Exploding Research Program

First exoplanet discovery: **1992**

Almost all exoplanets we now know: **2010+**

Majority of known exoplanets: **last five years**



Many upcoming telescopes and searches!

James Webb Space Telescope (JWST)

Transiting Exoplanets Survey Satellite (TESS)

Rubin/LSST

Roman/WFIRST

Gaia Spacecraft

Optical Gravitational Lensing Experiment (OGLE)

Two Micron All Sky Survey (2MASS)

Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer (WISE)

Thirty Meter Telescope (TMT)

Extremely Large Telescope (ELT)

Gaia Near Infra-Red (GaiaNIR)

Large Ultraviolet Optical Infrared Surveyor (LUVOIR)

Habitable Exoplanet Imaging Mission (HabEx)

Origins Space Telescope (OST)

Ample motivation to consider **new ways** this exploding research area can be used to probe new physics.

## Advantage 2: Statistics

Estimates predict around 300 billion exoplanets in our galaxy!

To date:

4,301 confirmed exoplanets  
5,633 exoplanet candidates



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One Jupiter :(



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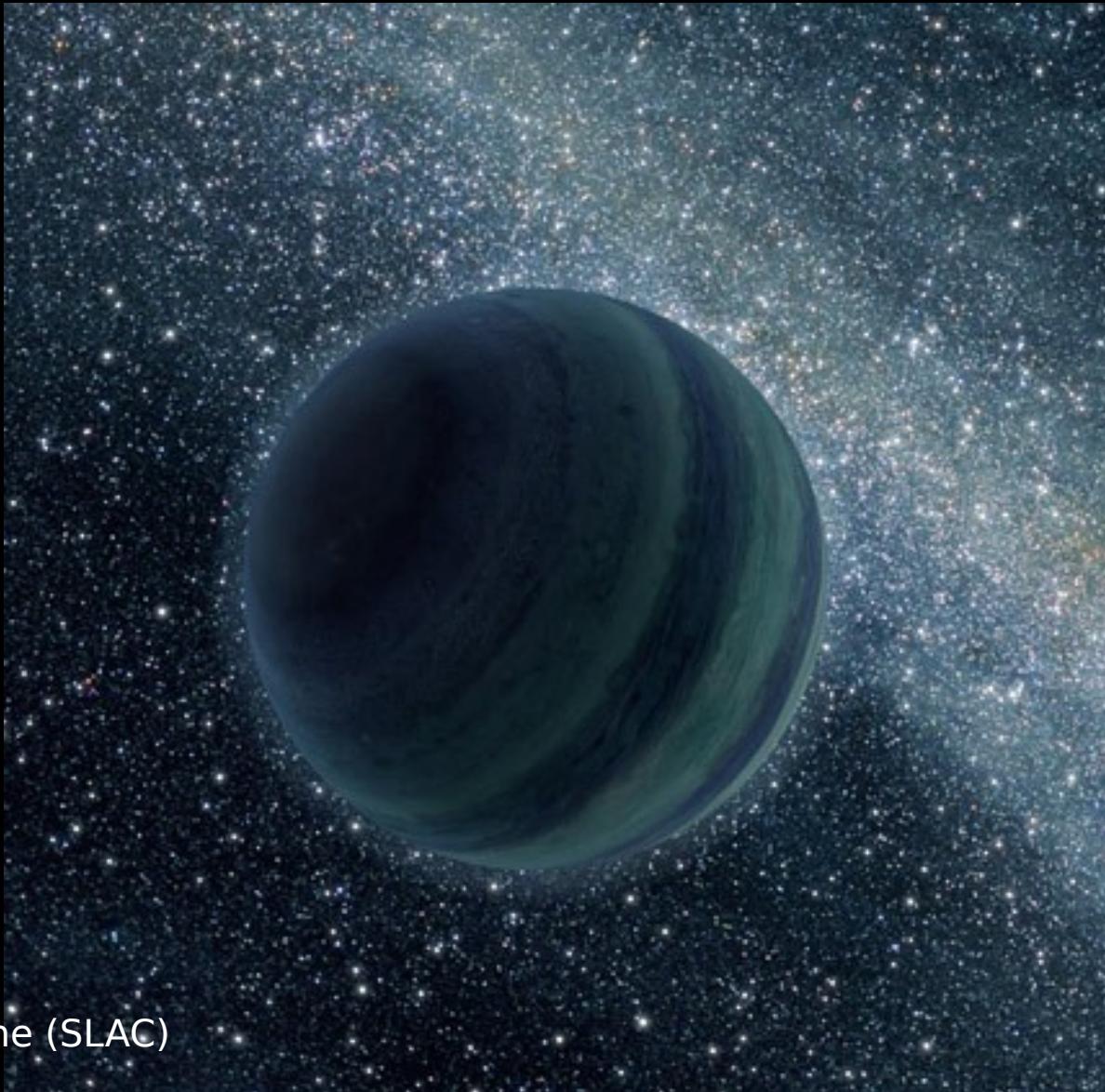


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Billions of Exoplanets! :)

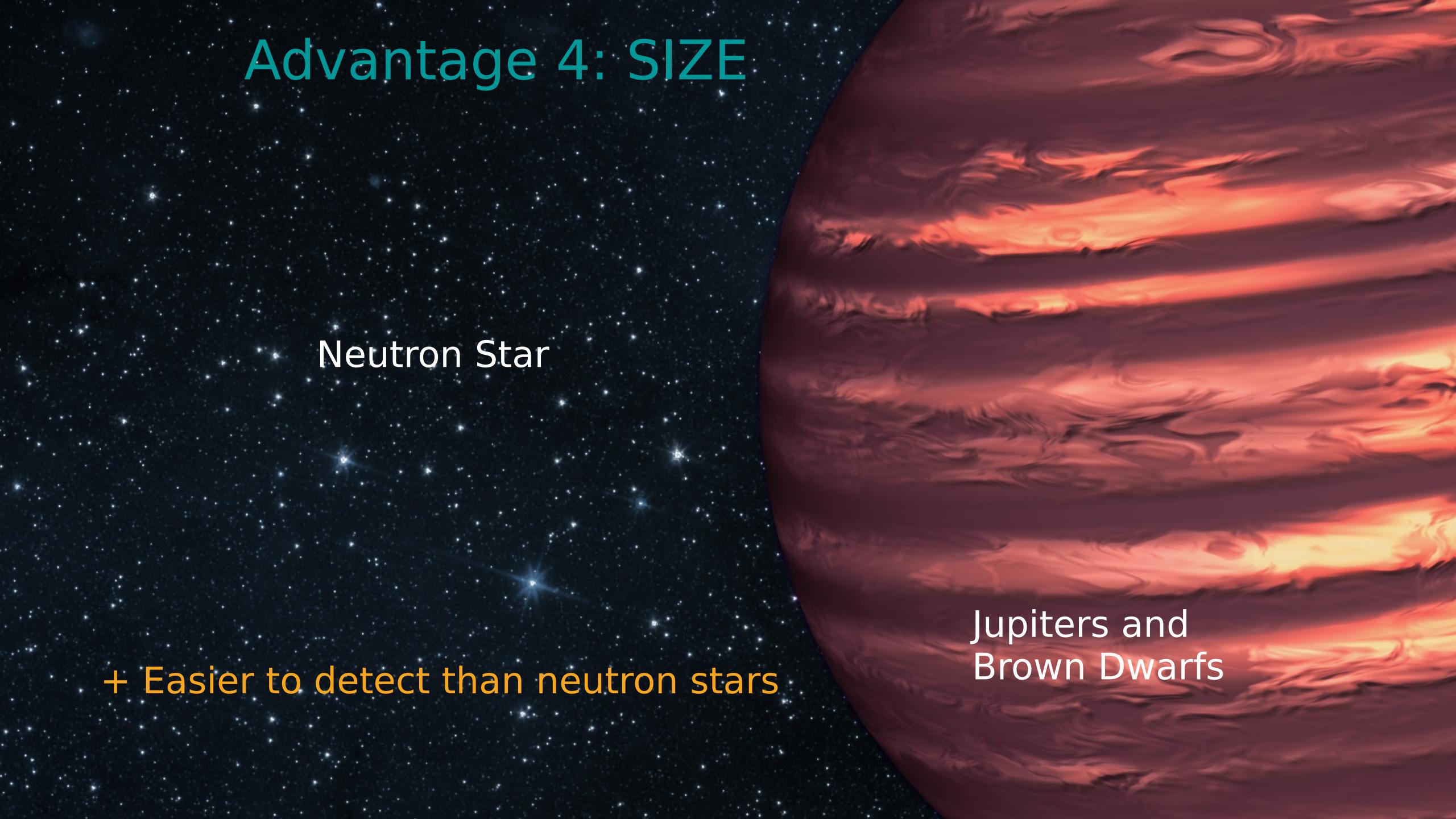
# Advantage 3: Low temperatures

- Exoplanets can be very cold, as they do not undergo nuclear fusion
  - Low temperatures allow for a clearer signal over background for DM heating
- Low core temperatures in part prevent DM evaporation, providing new sensitivity to lighter (sub-GeV) DM



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# Advantage 4: SIZE



Neutron Star

+ Easier to detect than neutron stars

Jupiters and  
Brown Dwarfs

# Exoplanet Search Targets



Not ideal

## Earths + Super Earths:

Mass: 0.001 - 0.01 M<sub>jup</sub>  
Radius: ~0.1 - 1 R<sub>jup</sub>



ideal

## Jupiters + Super Jupiters:

Mass: 1 - 13 M<sub>jup</sub>  
Radius: ~1 R<sub>jup</sub>



ideal

## Brown dwarfs:

Mass: 13 - 75 M<sub>jup</sub>  
Radius: ~1 R<sub>jup</sub>  
Very dense!



ideal

## Rogue Planets:

Cold and all alone!

Most commonly Jupiter-sized  
up to brown dwarf sized

# Calculating Dark Matter Exoplanet Heating

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# Calculating Exoplanet Temperatures

- Contributions to temperature from external heat (i.e. nearby stars), internal heat (e.g. from formation or burning processes), and dark matter:

$$\Gamma_{\text{heat}}^{\text{tot}} = \Gamma_{\text{heat}}^{\text{ext}} + \Gamma_{\text{heat}}^{\text{int}} + \Gamma_{\text{heat}}^{\text{DM}} = 4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}} T^4 \epsilon$$

- External heat: assume zero, means we need exoplanets either very far from their host, or not bound at all (rogue planets)
- Internal heat: determined by cooling rate over time, choose old exoplanets (e.g. 1-10 gigayears old) to minimize internal heat

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## Heat power from DM:

- DM density throughout Galaxy:

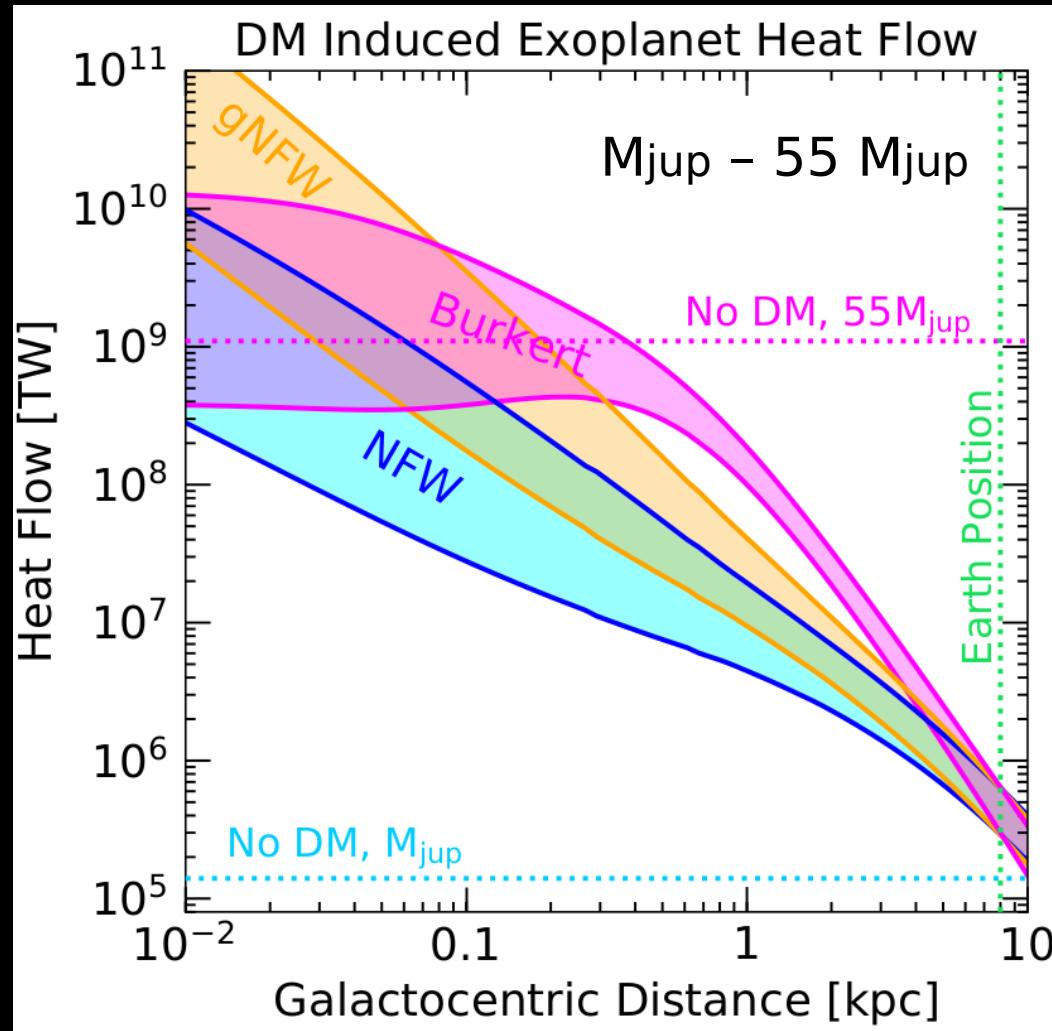
$$\rho_\chi(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{(r/r_s)^\gamma (1 + (r/r_s))^{3-\gamma}}$$

- Relevant velocities:
  - DM halo velocity
  - Exoplanet escape velocity

$$v_{\text{esc}}^2 = 2G_N M / R$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{heat}}^{\text{DM}} = f \pi R^2 \rho_\chi(r) v_0 \left( 1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{v_d(r)^2} \right)$$

# DM Heating vs Internal Heat



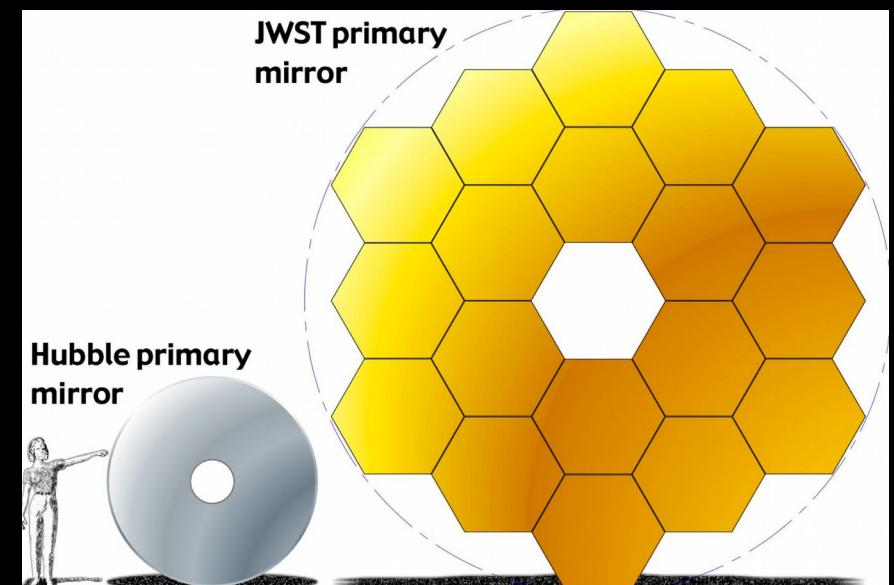
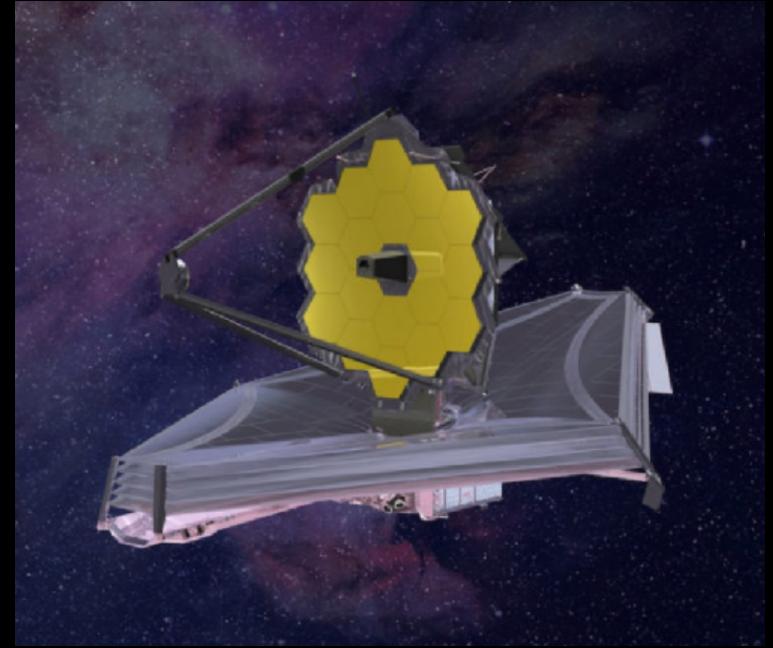
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1 parsec = 3.26 light years

# Telescope Sensitivity

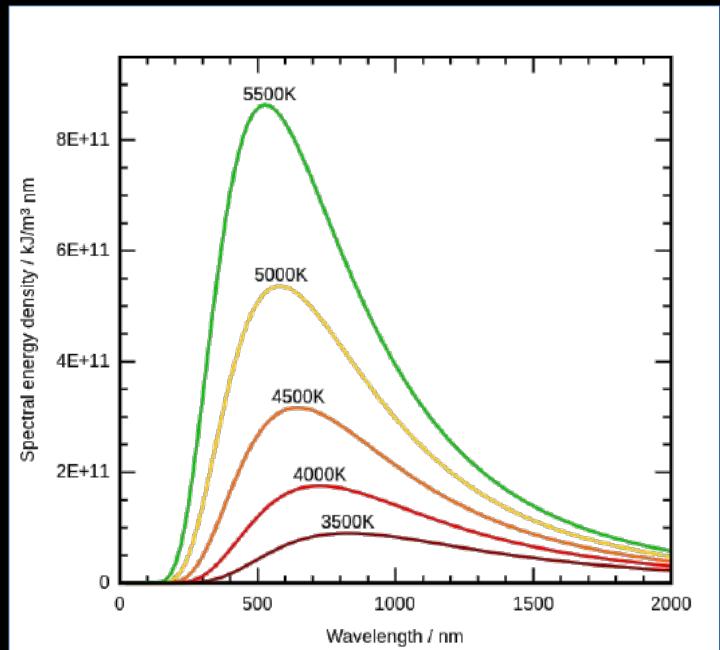
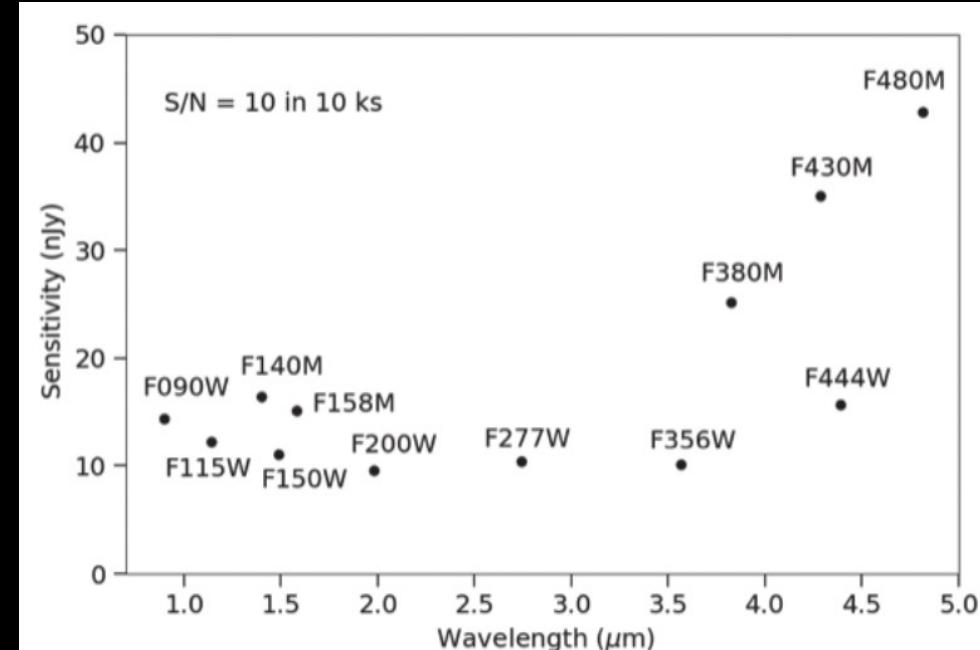
- Use James Webb Space Telescope (planned launch Oct 2021)
- Infrared sensitivity (~0.5 - 28 microns)
- Has many instruments and filters, relevant choice for maximum sensitivity depends on peak wavelength



# Signal with James Webb

- Can see many stars/planets at once
- Assume exoplanets radiate as a blackbody
  - Assume peak of blackbody temperature sets the sensitivity limit
- Near-Infrared Imager and Slitless Spectrometer (NIRISS) for  $T > 500$  K
- Mid-Infrared Instrument (MIRI) for  $T = 100 - 500$  K

Won't need new dedicated searches; can piggyback



# Search Challenges



Dust backgrounds:  
Rescatter some wavelengths,  
which can reduce intensity and  
shift spectrum peaks

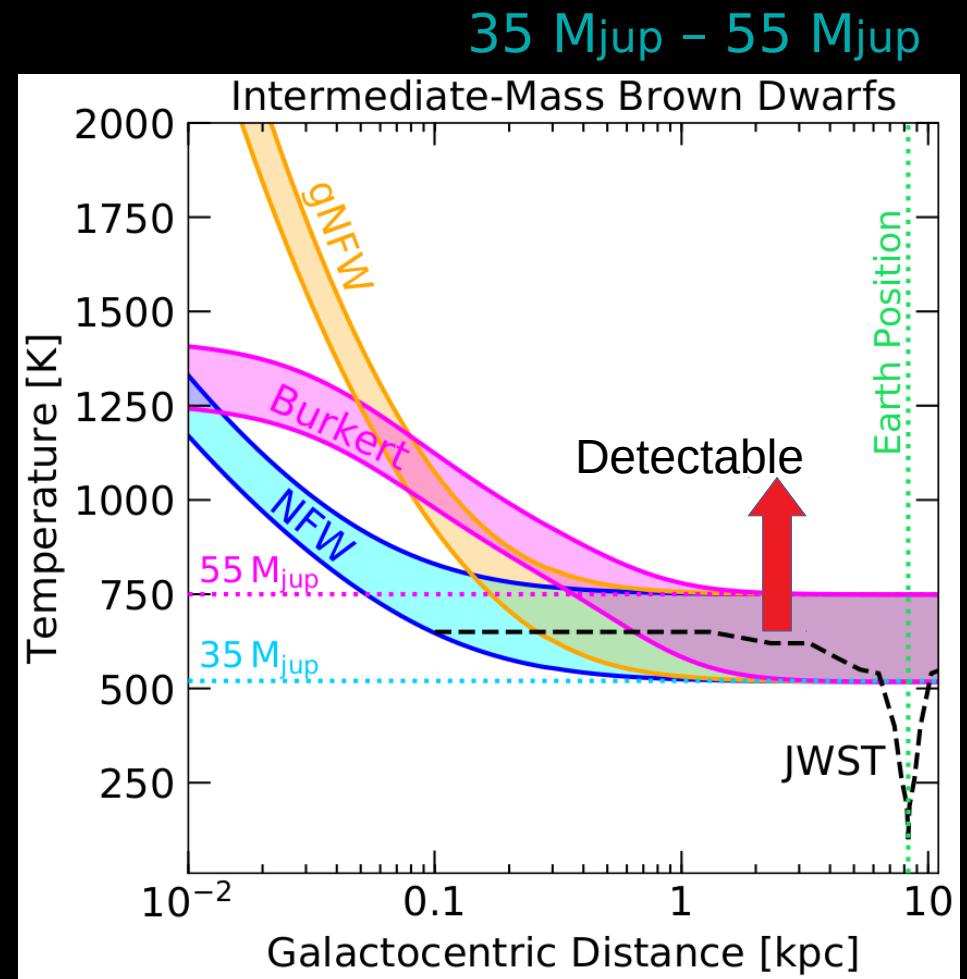


Stellar crowding:  
Stars per pixel important, can  
outshine exoplanet signal

**Optimal sensitivity is outside 0.1 kpc  
(about 1 degree off the plane)**

# Exoplanet temperatures vs sensitivity

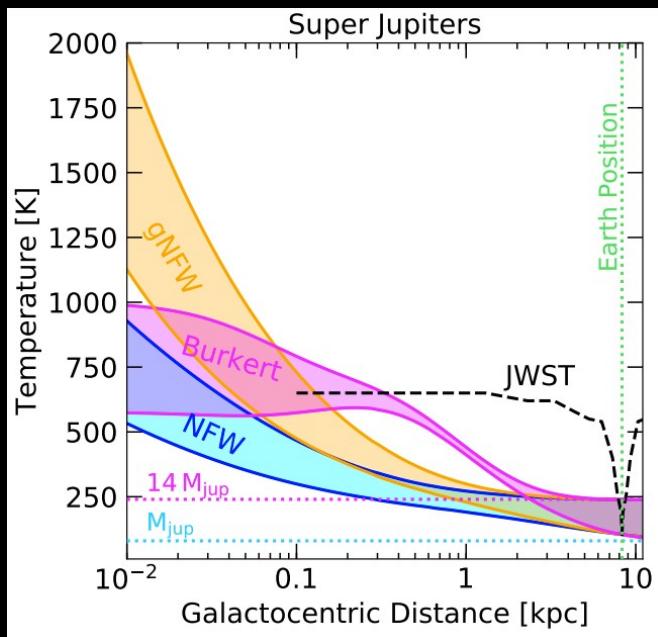
- NFW, gNFW, Burkert are DM profiles, shaded area is exoplanet mass range
- Sensitivity truncates at  $\sim 0.1\text{kpc}$ , due to stars per pixel, and dust scattering



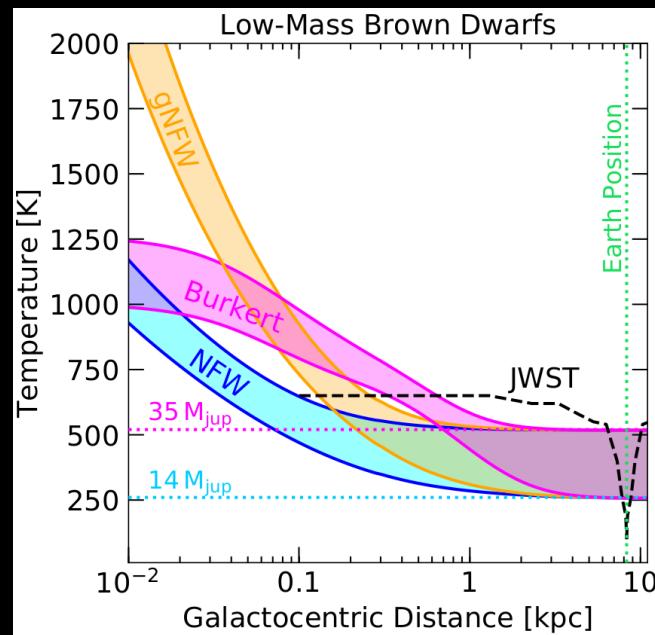
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# Exoplanet masses vs sensitivity

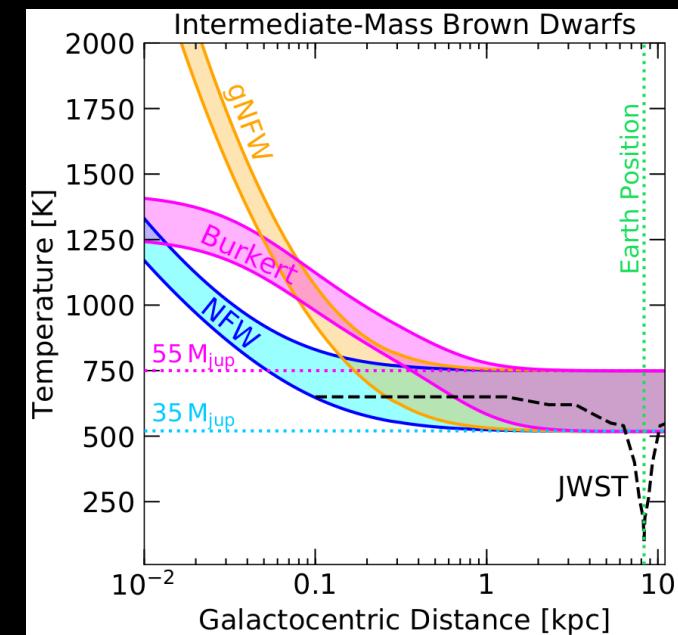
Mjup - 14 Mjup



14 Mjup - 35 Mjup



35 Mjup - 55 Mjup



## Lower masses:

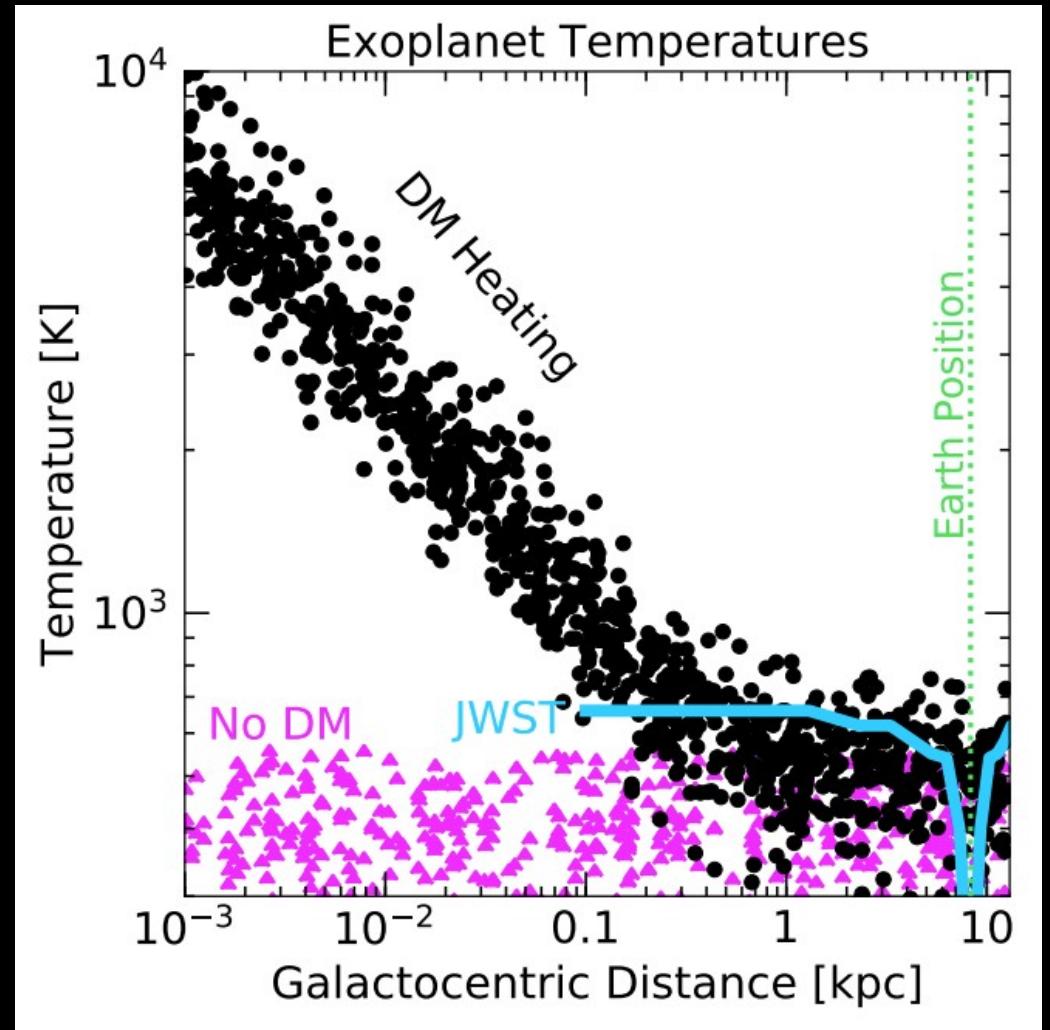
DM heat > internal  
heat at all positions

## Higher masses:

Strongest signal towards Galactic  
Center, local DM heating signal difficult  
to outperform internal heat

# New DM Search with Exoplanets

- Mock distribution of exoplanets with masses 20 – 50 Jupiters, gNFW profile, with and without DM heating
- Exoplanets can be used to map the Galactic DM density, given sufficient telescope sensitivity
- Identify exoplanets via other methods (e.g. microlensing) first, follow up with James Webb

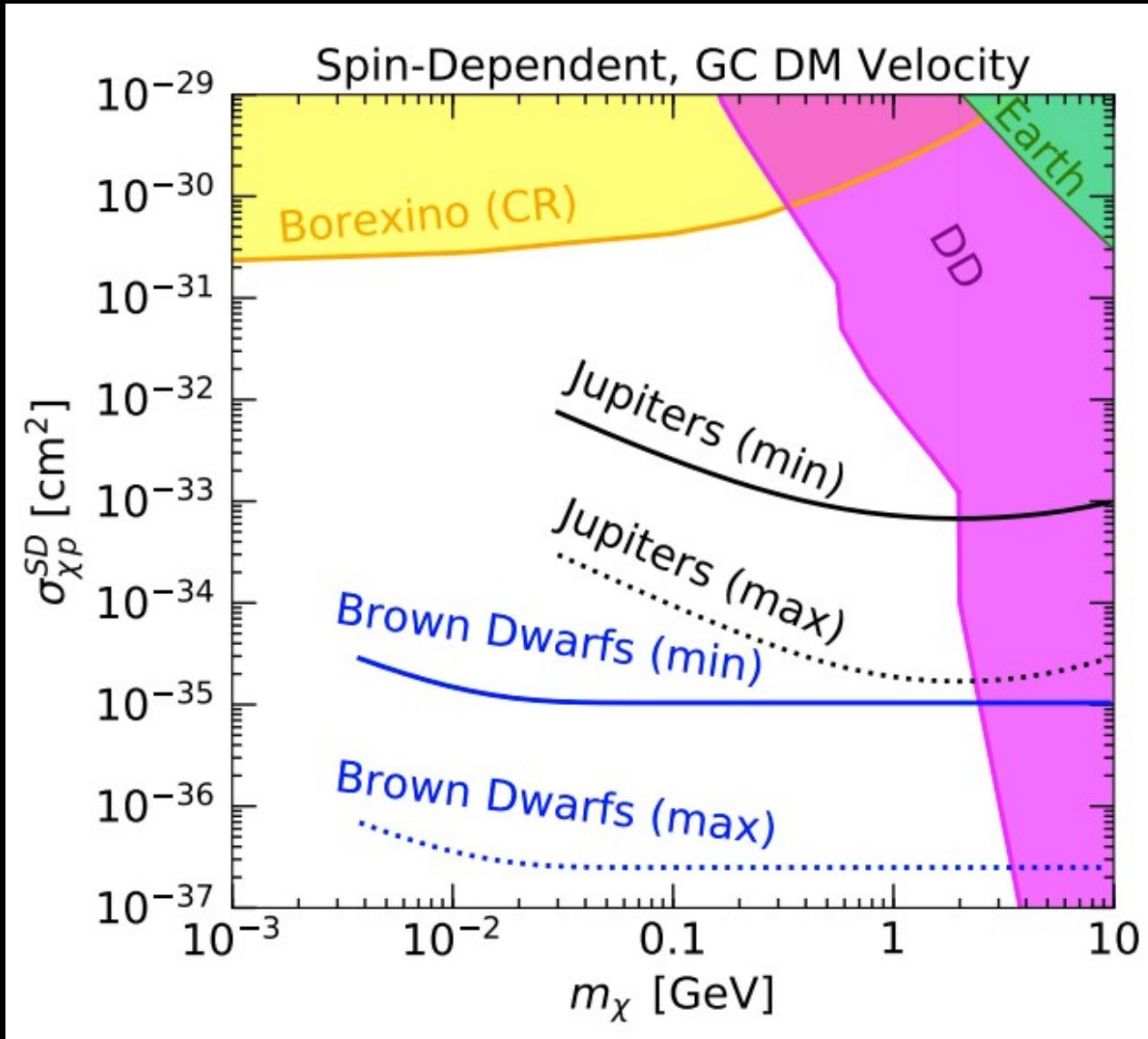


# Prospects for these searches?

Planet	Radius ( $R_{\text{jup}}$ )	Mass ( $M_{\text{jup}}$ )	Distance	Orbit	Temp (No DM)	Temp (with DM)	Ref
Epsilon Eridani b	1.21	1.55	3 pc	3.4 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[84]
Epsilon Indi A b	1.17	3.25	3.7 pc	11.6 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[85]
Gliese 832 b	1.25	0.68	4.9 pc	3.6 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[86]
Gliese 849 b	1.23	1.0	8.8 pc	2.4 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[87]
Thestias	1.19	2.3	10 pc	1.6 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[88]
Lipperhey	1.16	3.9	12.5 pc	5.5 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[89]
HD 147513 b	1.22	1.21	12.8 pc	1.3 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[90]
Gamma Cephei b	1.2	1.85	13.5 pc	2.0 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[91]
Majriti	1.16	4.1	13.5 pc	2.5 au	$\sim 218$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[92]
47 Ursae Majoris d	1.2	1.64	14 pc	11.6 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[93]
Taphao Thong	1.2	2.5	14 pc	2.1 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[93]
Gliese 777 b	1.21	1.54	15.9 pc	4.0 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[94]
Gliese 317 c	1.21	1.54	15.0 pc	25.0 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[95]
q <sup>1</sup> Eridani b	1.23	0.94	17.5 pc	2.0 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[87]
HD 87883 b	1.21	1.54	18.4 pc	3.6 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[96]
$\nu^2$ Canis Majoris c	1.24	0.87	19.9 pc	2.2 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[97]
Psi <sup>1</sup> Draconis B b	1.21	1.53	22.0 pc	4.4 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[98]
HD 70642 b	1.19	1.99	29.4 pc	3.3 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[99]
HD 29021 b	1.2	2.4	31 pc	2.3 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[100]
HD 117207 b	1.2	1.9	32.5 pc	4.1 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[101]
Xolotlan	1.2	0.9	34.0 pc	1.7 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[102]
HAT-P-11 c	1.2	1.6	38.0 pc	4.1 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[103]
HD 187123 c	1.2	2.0	46.0 pc	4.9 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[104]
HD 50499 b	1.2	1.6	46.3 pc	3.8 au	$\lesssim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[101]
Picu	1.2	1.1	49.4 pc	0.8 au	$\sim 200$ K	$\lesssim 650$ K	[105]

- Many candidates already exist!
- Gaia may be able to see up to around 90,000 planets within 100 pc (local search)
- WFIRST/Roman expects to detect least several thousand exoplanets in the inner galaxy

# Cross section sensitivity



# Actions for successful discovery/exclusion

- Successful launch with JWST
- Large statistical sample obtained to overcome systematics
- Detailed simulations of atmosphere effects including DM
- Simulations of age/cooling curves of Jupiters + Dwarfs  
\*including DM\*



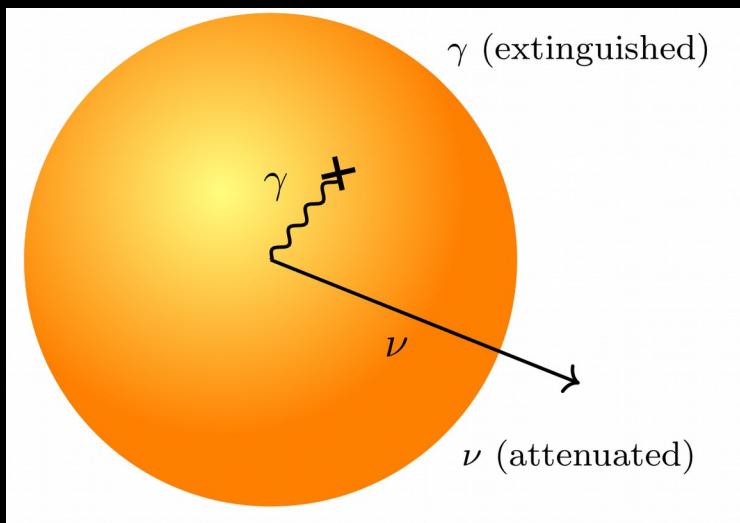
# Complementary Search with new limits

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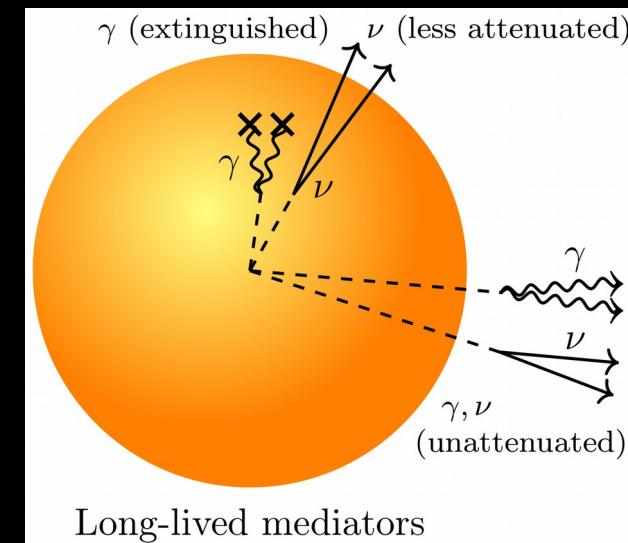
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- 1. DM annihilates to short-lived mediators  
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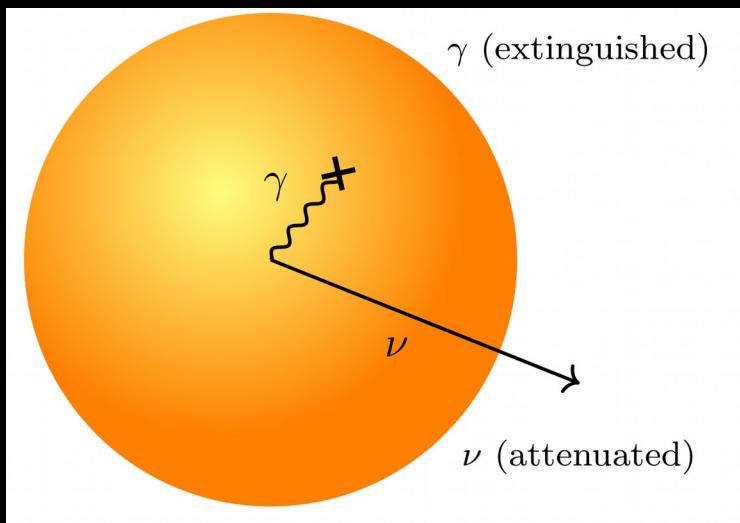
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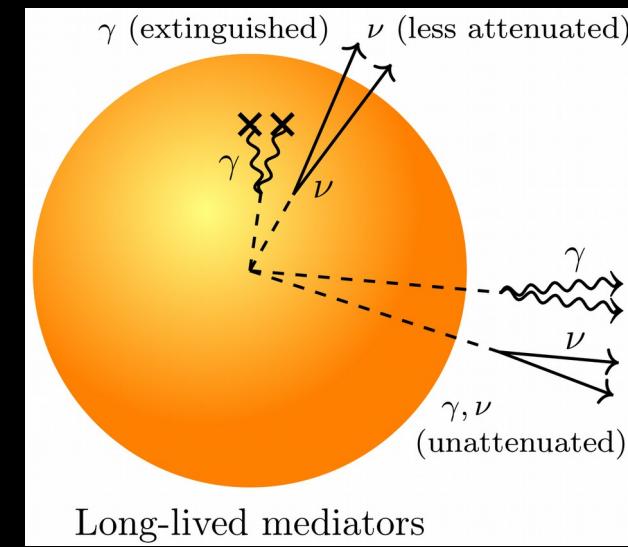
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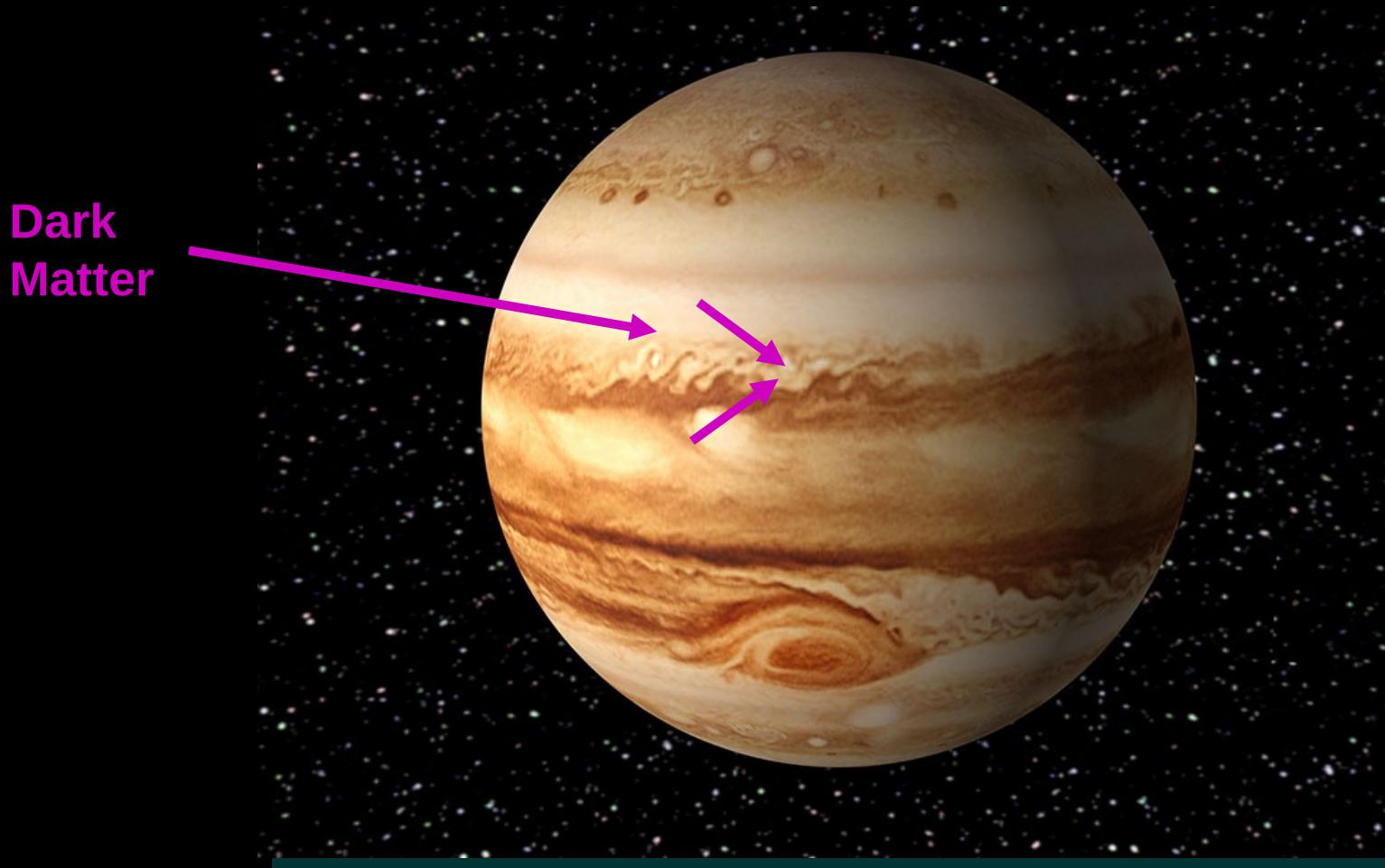
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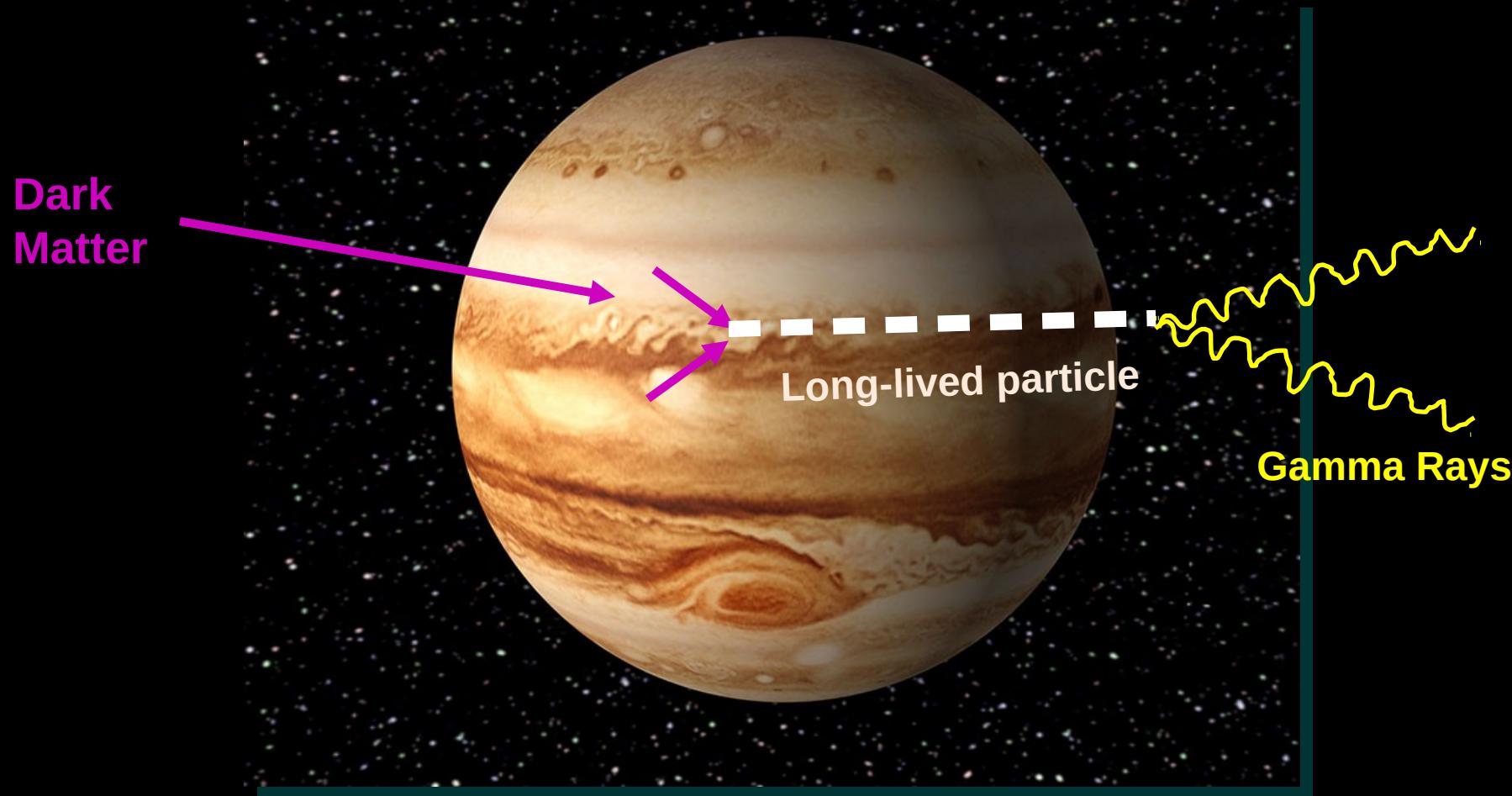


# Dark Matter in Jupiter

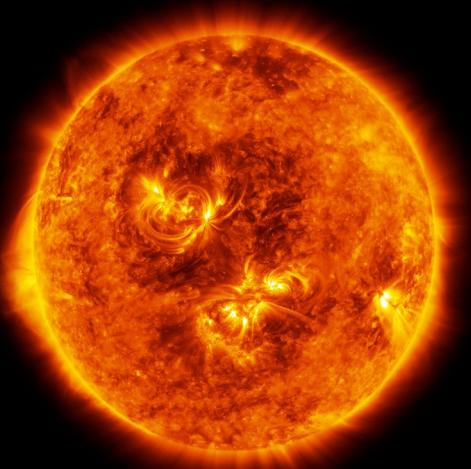


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# Dark Matter in Jupiter



# Why Jupiter?



Sun

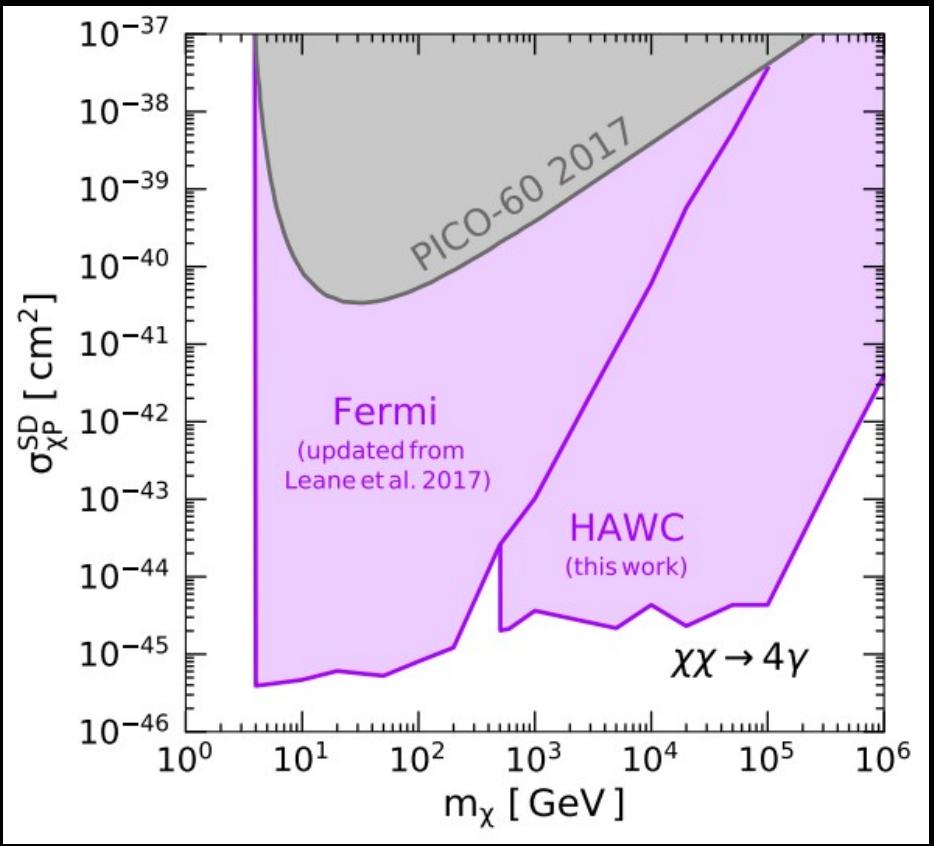
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Hot



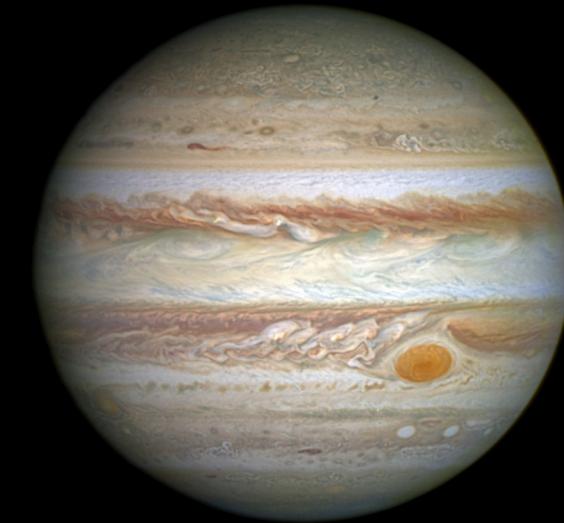
Jupiter

BIG  
Cold

# Solar Comparison

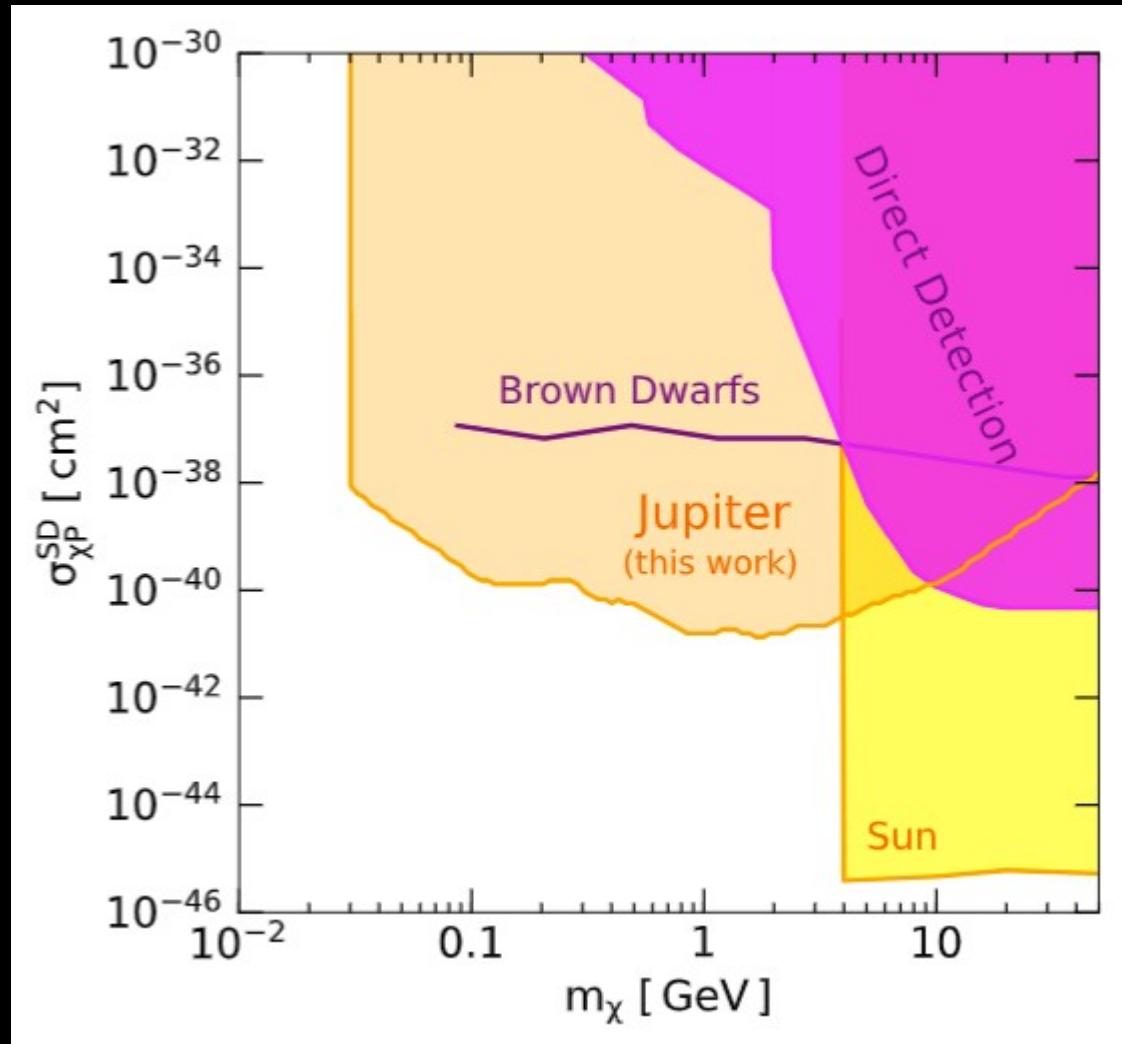


**Sun**  
Long-Lived Mediator Limits  
Leane, Ng, Beacom (PRD '17)  
Leane + HAWC Collaboration (PRD '18)



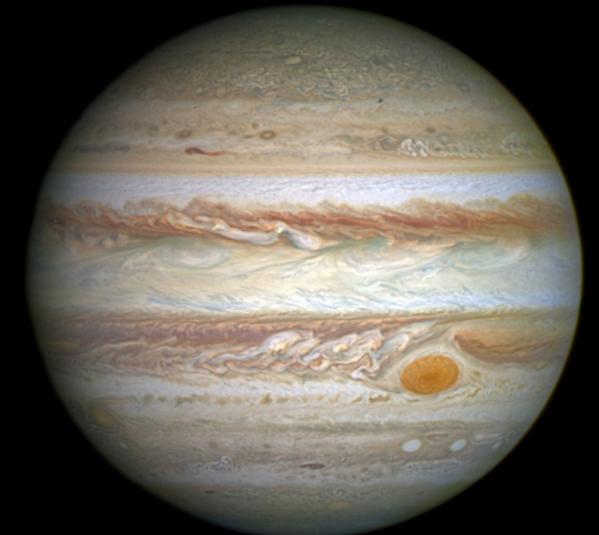
**Jupiter**  
**Cooler** than the Sun:  
MeV-DM mass sensitivity!  
No one ever looked!

# New Dark Matter Limits



# Summary: Jupiter

- First search for gamma rays from Jupiter
  - No robust evidence, tentative excess at low energies
  - Motivates follow up w/ MeV telescopes
- New DM search with Jovian gamma rays
  - Strong constraints w/ long-lived particles:  
light masses and small cross sections



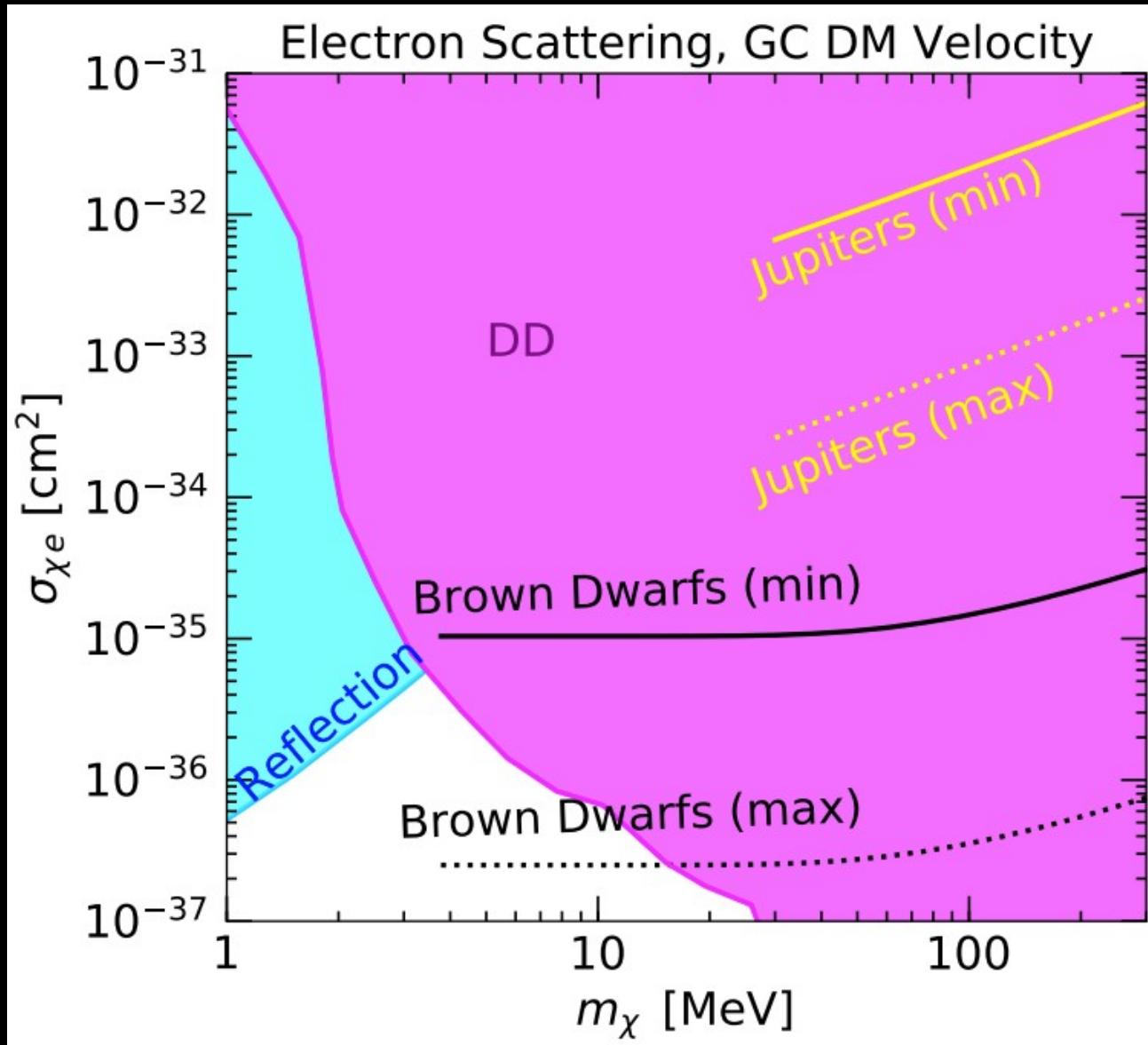
# Summary: DM heated exoplanets

- The exoplanet program is rapidly accelerating, lots of new surprises and discoveries inevitable
- Examined how exoplanets can be used to discover DM, due to overheating from captured DM
  - Old, cold Jupiters and brown dwarfs ideal
- Actionable discovery or exclusion searches with new infrared telescopes
  - Signal traces DM density in the Galaxy
- New sensitivity to DM parameter space: DM-proton scattering up to six orders of magnitude stronger than other limits
- Exciting opportunities soon to realize search, several telescopes may be informative, new infrared window to Inner Galaxy
  - Oct 2021 James Webb launch!

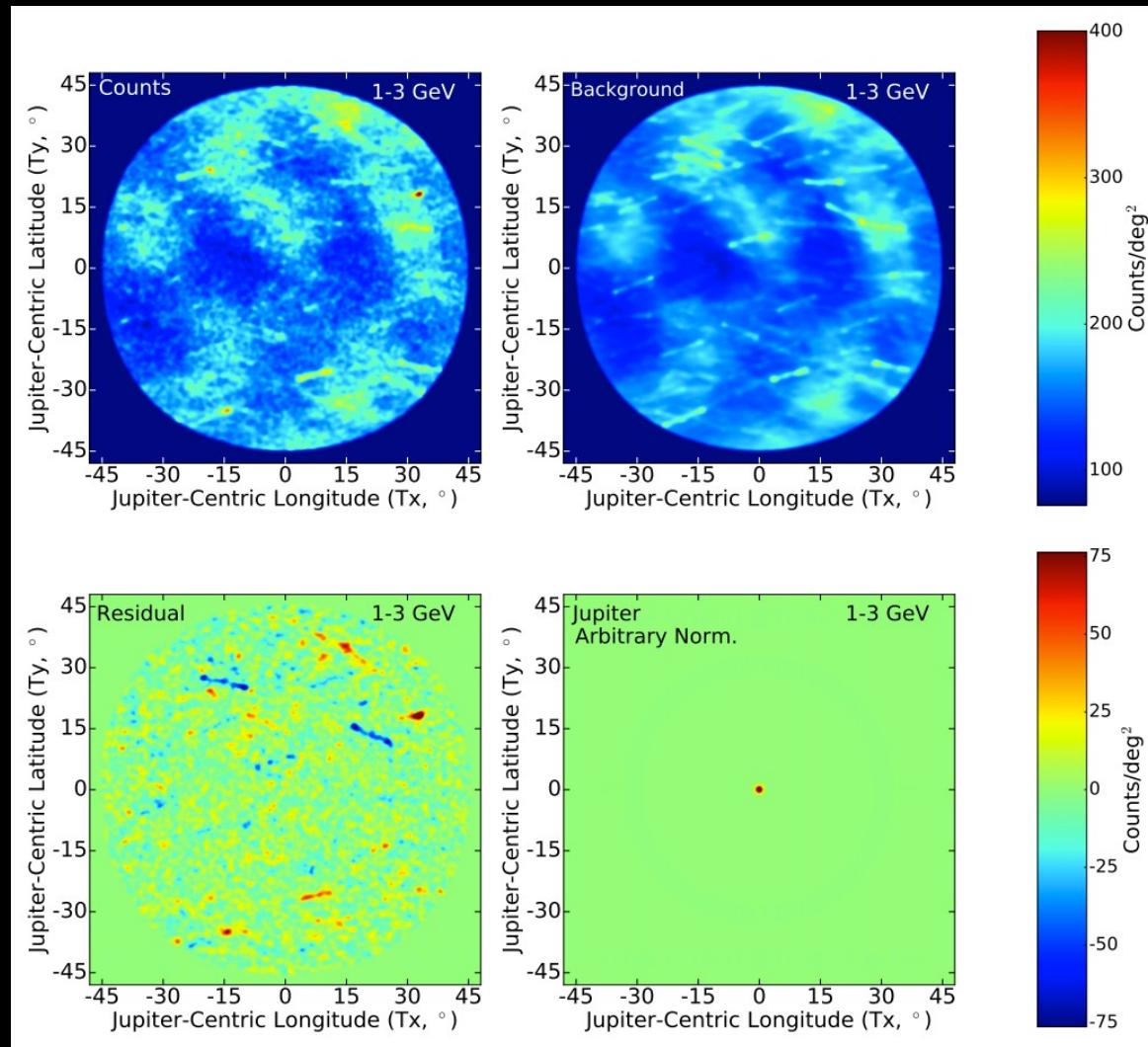


# EXTRA SLIDES

# Cross section sensitivity



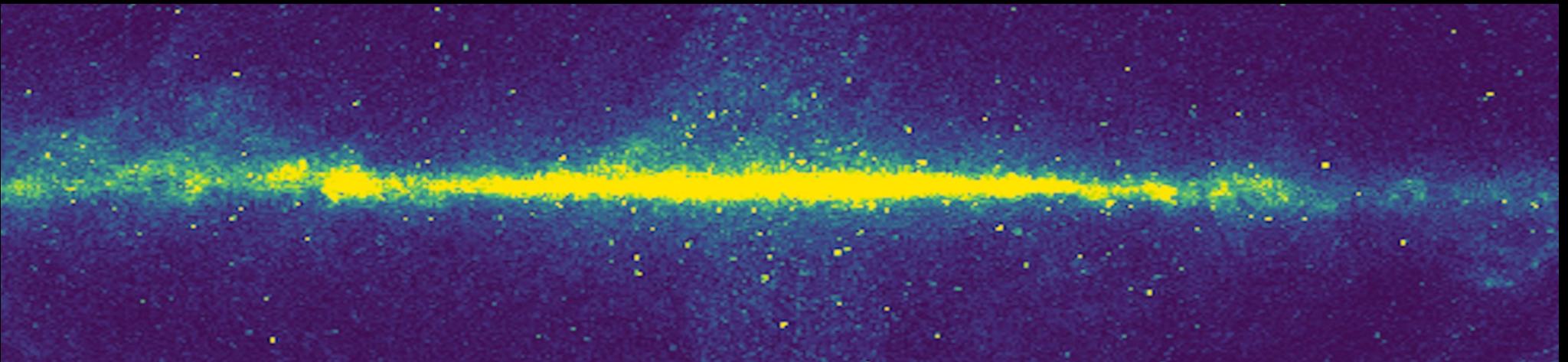
# First Jovian Gamma-Ray Measurement



Leane + Linden, '21

# Galactic Center Population Signal

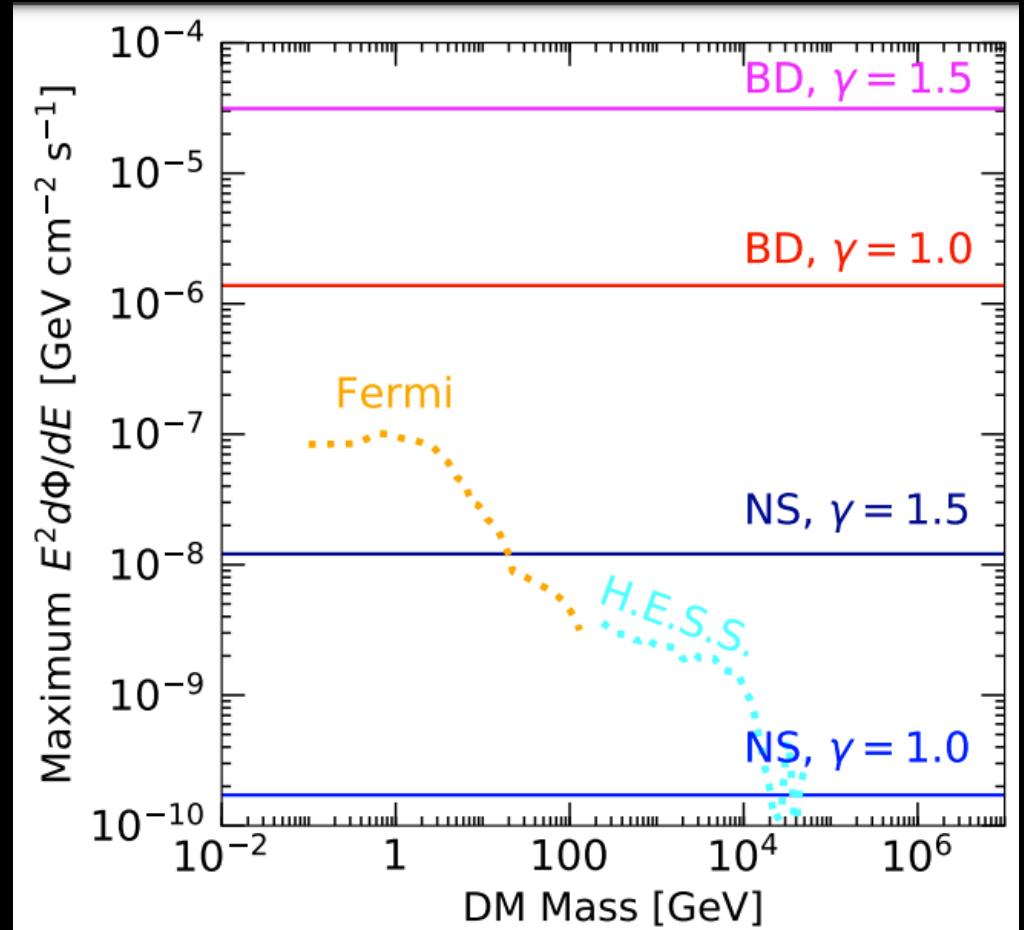
- Use **all** the neutron stars, **all** the brown dwarfs
- Large population in the Galactic Center, DM density high: large rate!
- Our new signal follows matter density: DM density \* stellar density
  - DM Halo annihilation scales with DM density squared



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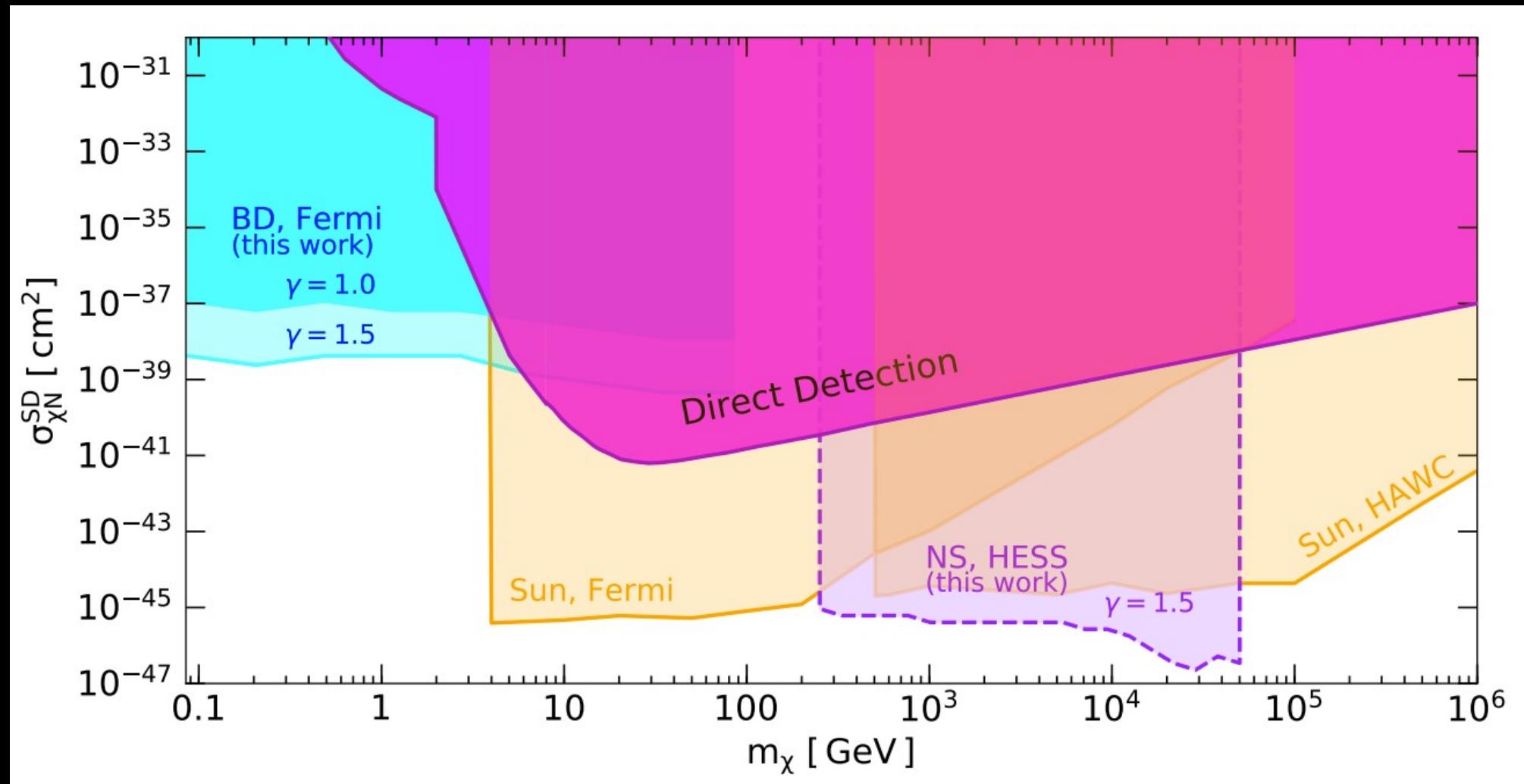
- Detectability: compare with known gamma-ray data
  - Use Fermi and H.E.S.S. data for Galactic Center
  - No model assumptions on mediator, other than must escape
  - Brown dwarfs very large signal!



RKL, Linden, Mukhopadhyay, Toro, 2021

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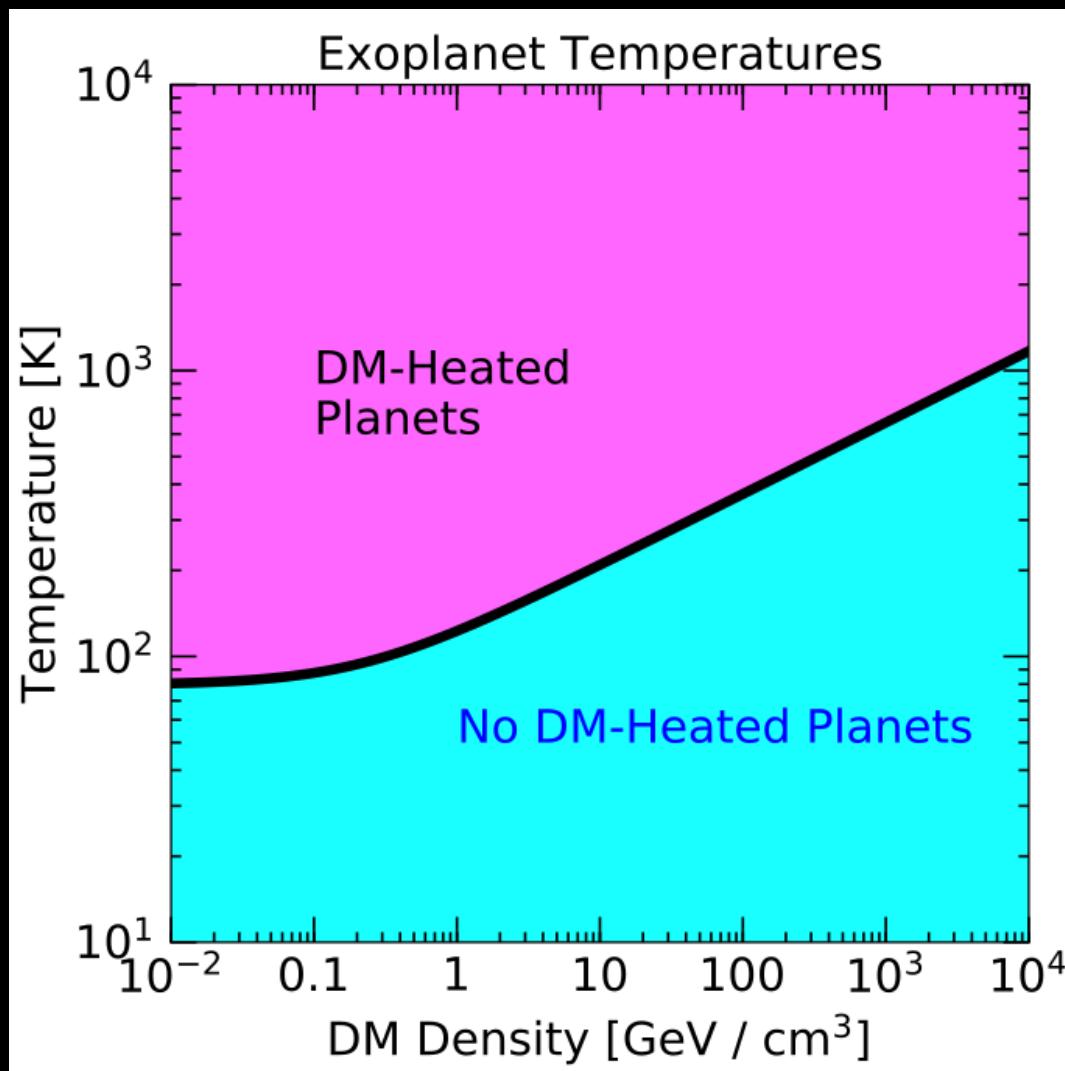
# New Limits w/ Brown Dwarfs and Neutron Stars



# DM Equilibrium and Evaporation

- For maximal rate, want DM scattering and annihilation to be in equilibrium
  - Find DM reaches equilibrium by 1-10 Gigayears
- Lower end of DM mass sensitivity will stop due to DM becoming too light and evaporating out of the planet
  - Using temperature profiles for different exoplanets, find minimum mass, condition to remain bound is:
$$E_{\text{DM}}^{\text{kin}} = \frac{3}{2}T(r) < \frac{G_N M(r)m_\chi}{2r}$$
  - Evaporation occurs for  $\sim 4$  MeV DM mass in brown dwarfs,  $\sim 30$  MeV DM mass in Jupiters

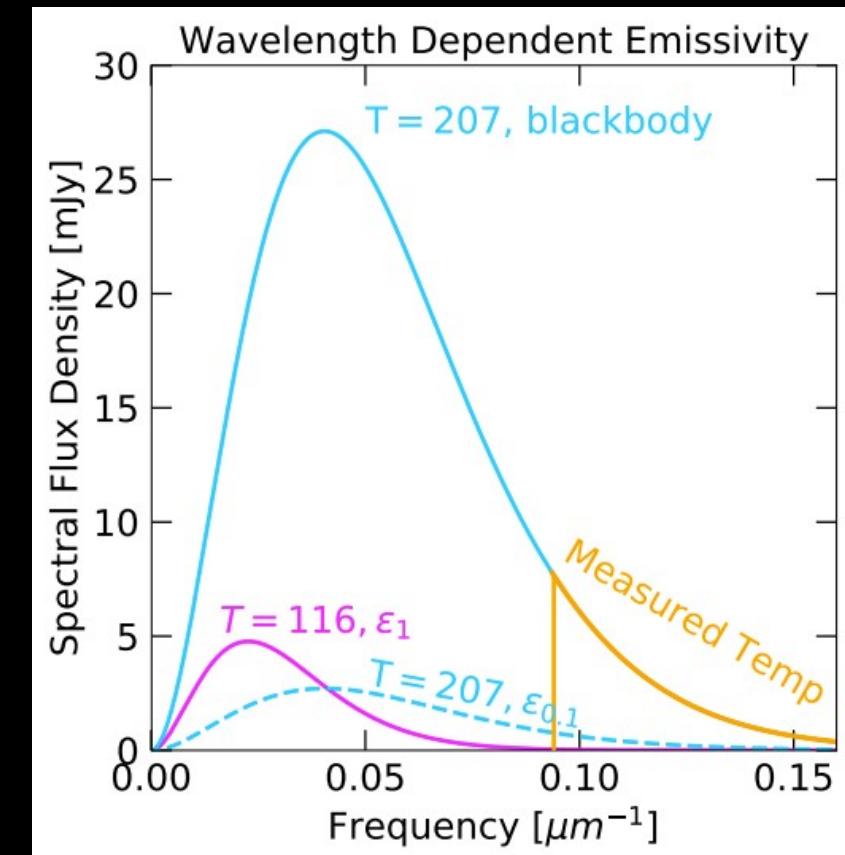
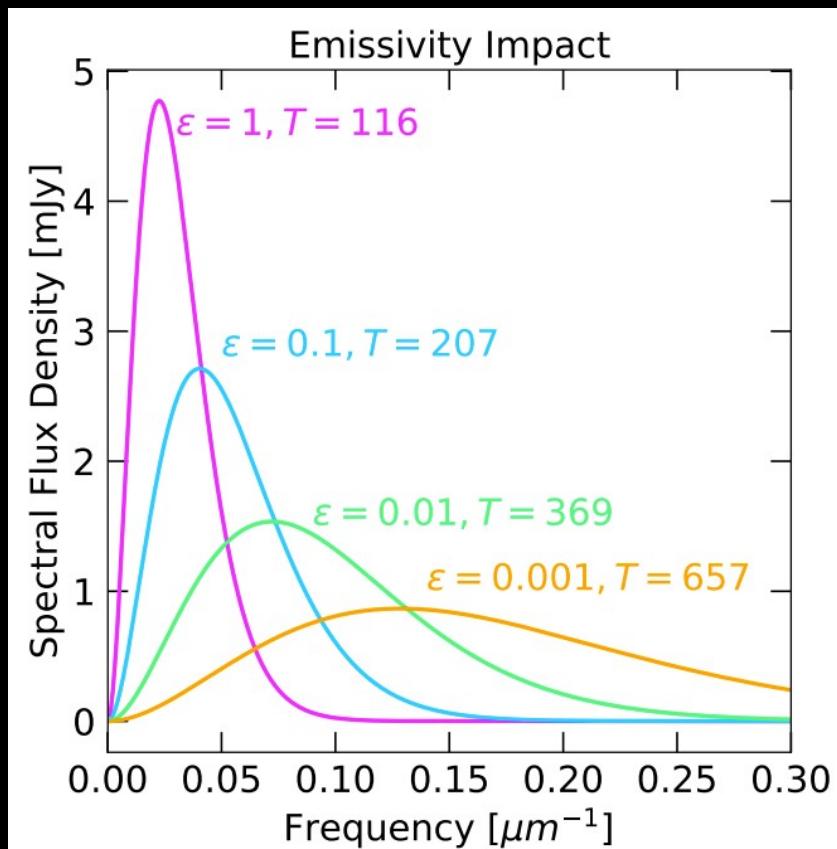
# Deviations: DM-overdensities



# Deviations: Non-Blackbody Spectra

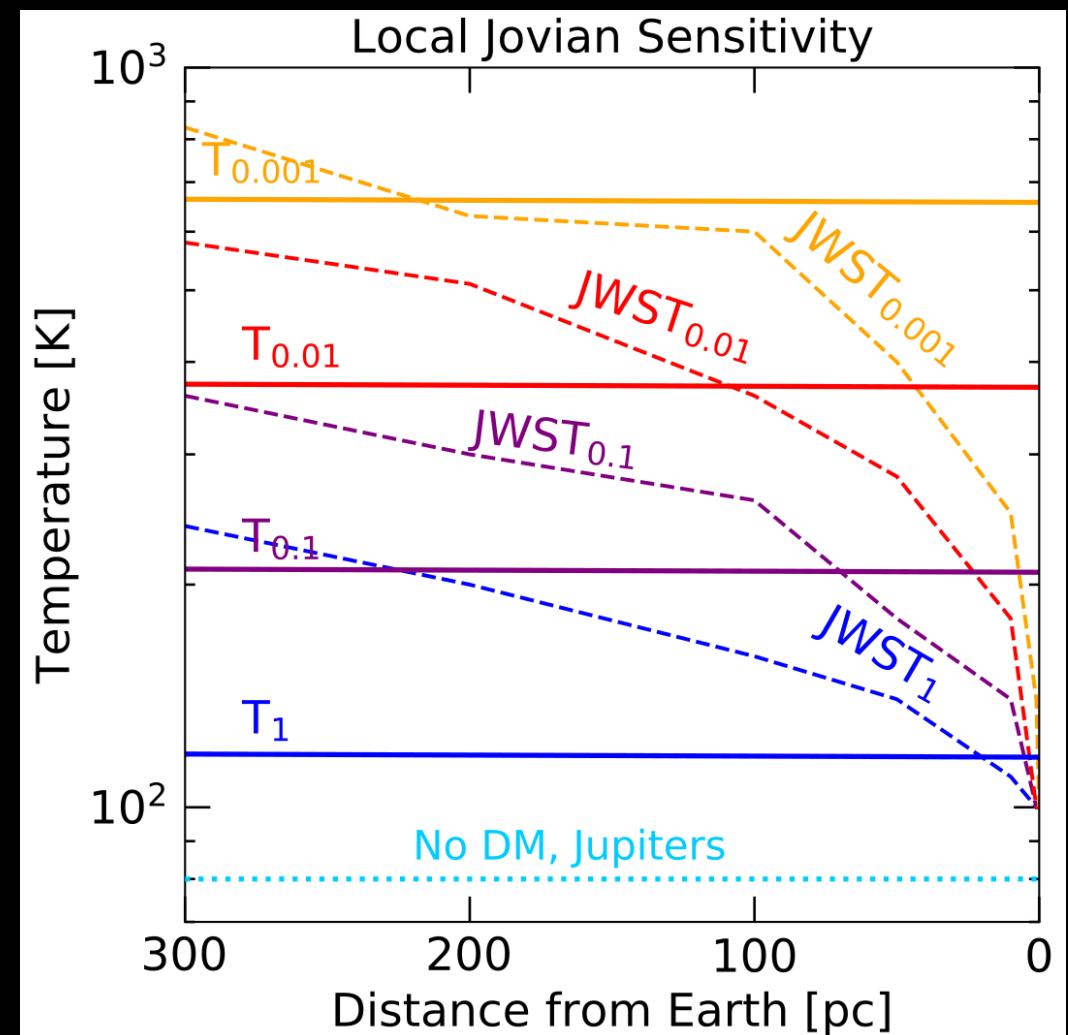
Atmosphere effects can cause deviations from a blackbody

$$B(\nu, T) = \frac{2\nu^3\epsilon}{\exp\left(\frac{2\pi\nu}{k_b T}\right) - 1}$$



# Local DM-Heated Exoplanet Search

- Local fluxes easier to detect, so lower normalization from emissivity isn't a severe penalty
- Allows use of more powerful filters: best JWST filter sensitivity is with higher temps (in this case, higher wavelength peaks)
- Local exoplanets with lower emissivities can extend local sensitivity to DM heating



# DM scattering cross section sensitivity

$$f = \frac{C_{\text{cap}}}{C_{\text{max}}} = \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} f_N$$

$$f_N = p(N, \tau) \left[ 1 - \kappa \exp \left( -\frac{3(v_N^2 - v_{\text{esc}}^2)}{2v_d^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\kappa = \left( 1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{v_N^2}{v_d^2} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{v_d^2} \right)^{-1}$$

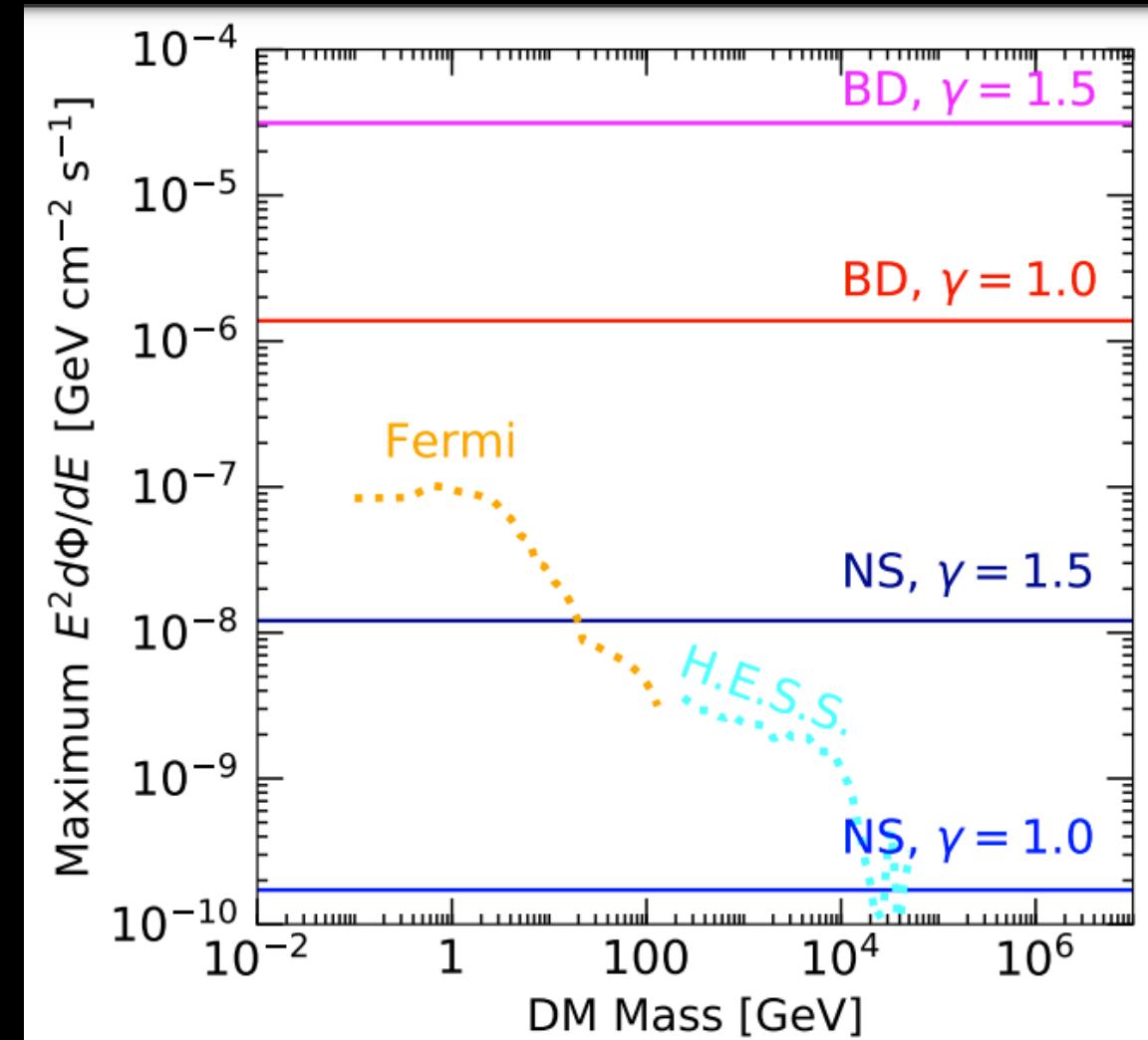
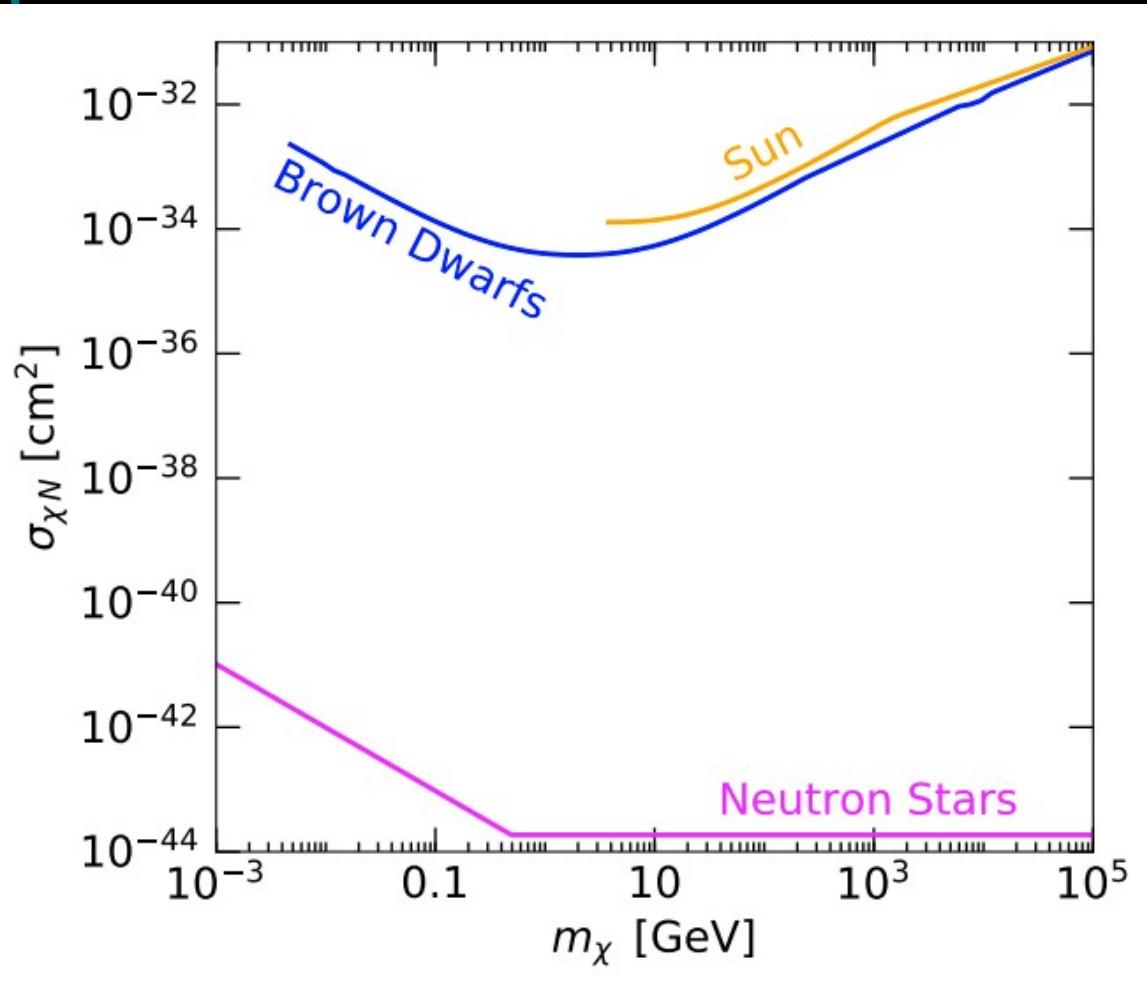
Here  $v_d$  is the velocity dispersion,  $v_N = v_{\text{esc}} (1 - \langle z \rangle \beta)^{-N/2}$  where the average scattering angle is  $\langle z \rangle = 1/2$  [143],  $\beta = 4m_\chi m_A / (m_\chi + m_A)^2$ , and  $m_A$  is the mass of the target particle. The probability that the DM particle scatters  $N$  times is

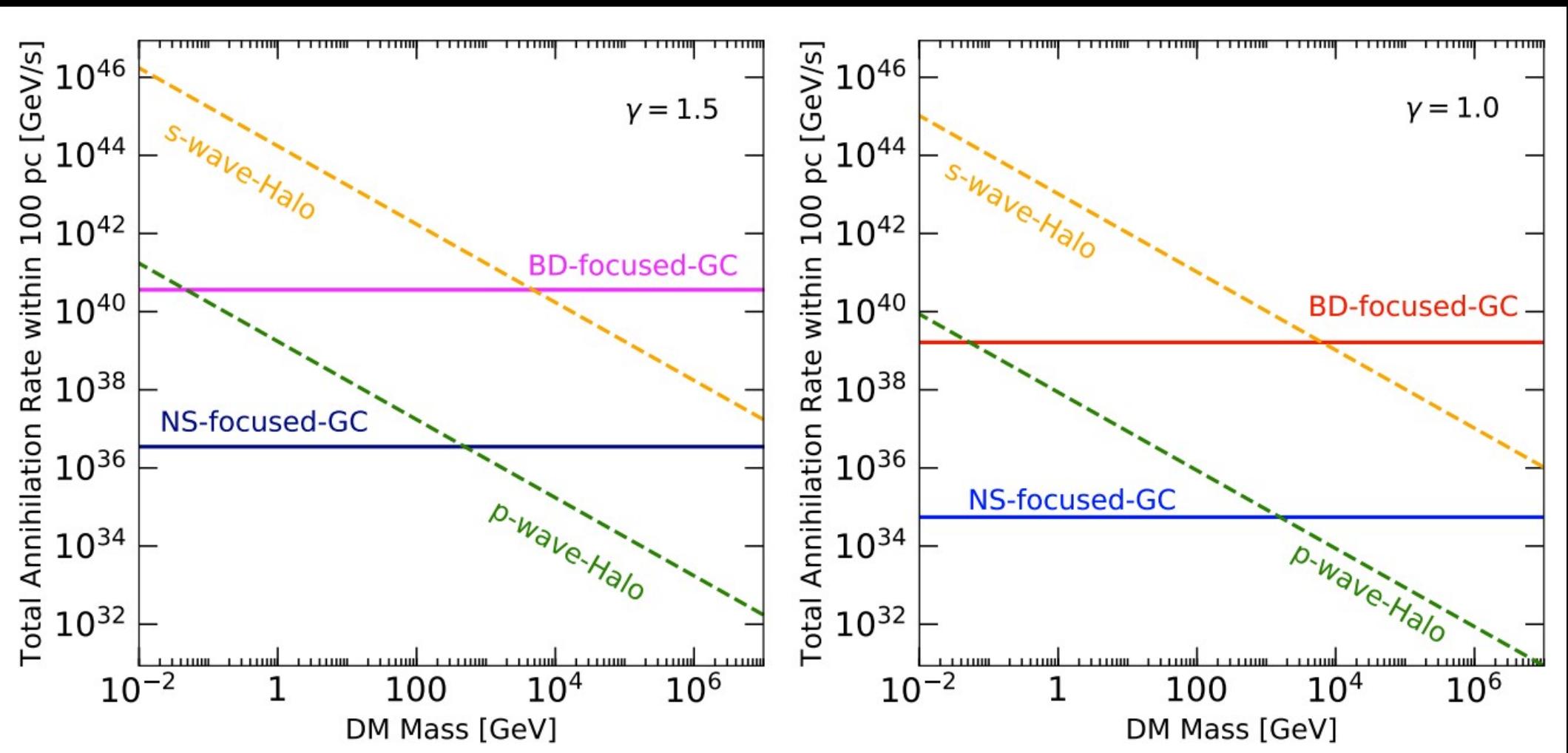
$$p(N, \tau) = \frac{2}{\tau^2} \left( N_s + 1 - \frac{\Gamma(N_s + 2, \tau)}{N_s!} \right) \quad \tau = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_{\text{sat}}},$$

$$\sigma_{\text{sat}} = \pi R^2 / N_{\text{SM}}$$

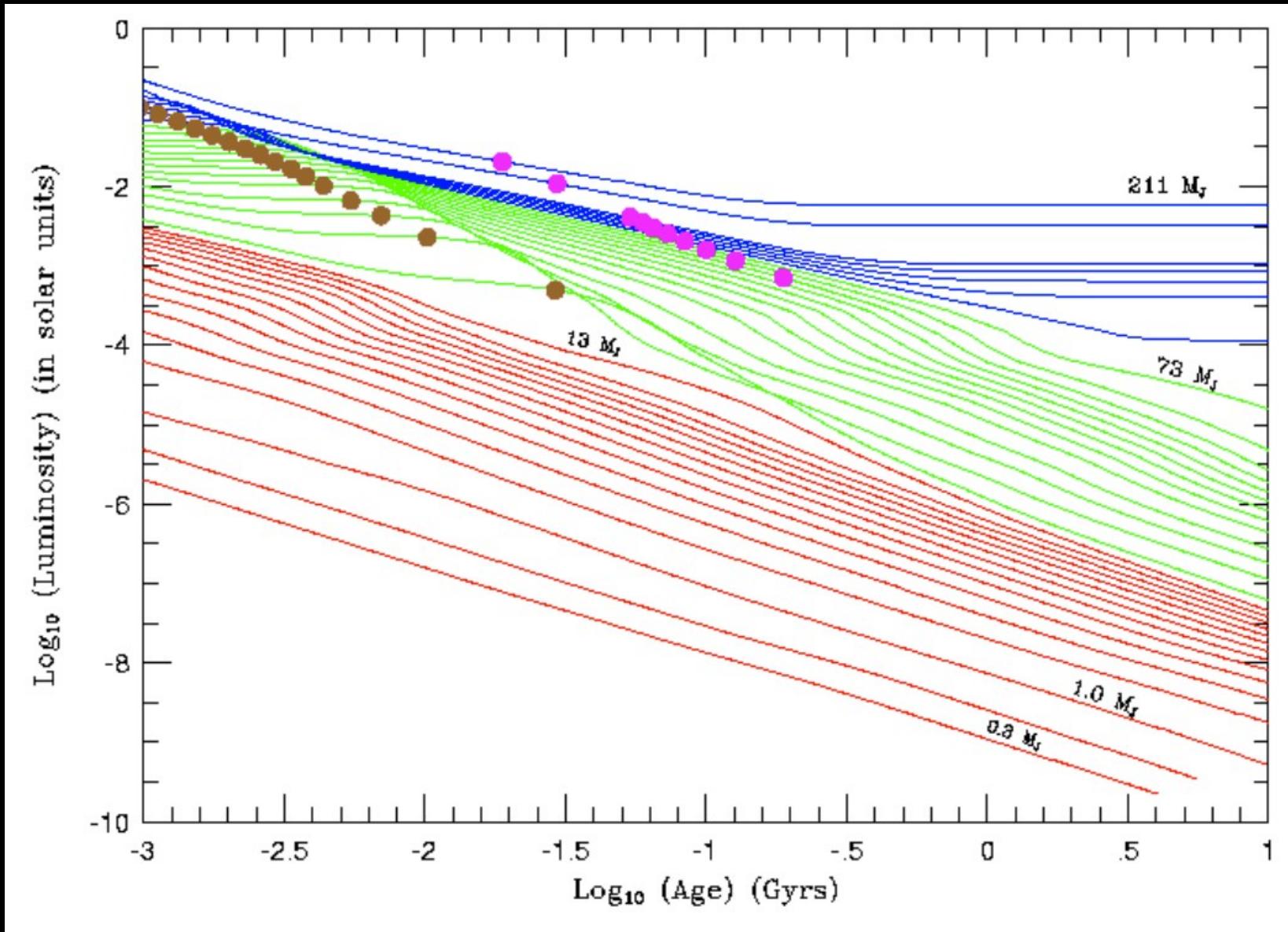
$$\sigma_{\chi A}^{\text{SD}} = \sigma_{\chi N}^{\text{SD}} \left( \frac{\mu(m_A)}{\mu(m_N)} \right)^2 \frac{4(J+1)}{3J} [a_p \langle S_p \rangle + a_n \langle S_n \rangle]^2$$

$$\sigma_{\chi A}^{\text{SI}} = \sigma_{\chi N}^{\text{SI}} \left( \frac{\mu(m_A)}{\mu(m_N)} \right)^2 \left[ Z + \frac{a_n}{a_p} (A - Z) \right]^2$$

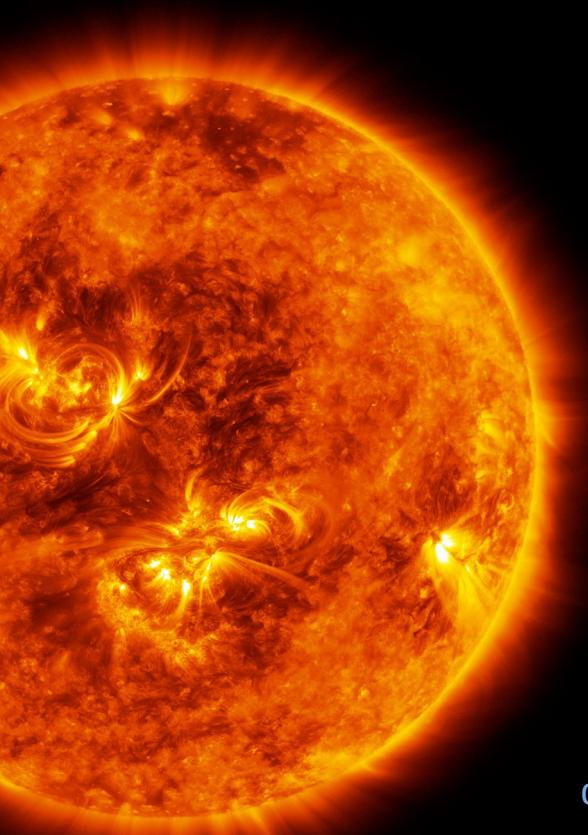




# AGE - COOLING CURVES



# DARK MATTER IN CELESTIAL OBJECTS



Sun

Neutrinos, long-lived  
particle decays  
outside the Sun

Apollo mission  
data: rock content  
and heat flux

Luna



Earth

20,000 boreholes  
drilled kilometers deep  
into the ground,  
internal heat measured



Mars

Future Martian  
mission: more info

Ganymede



Impact on  
magnetic fields?  
Volcanoes?



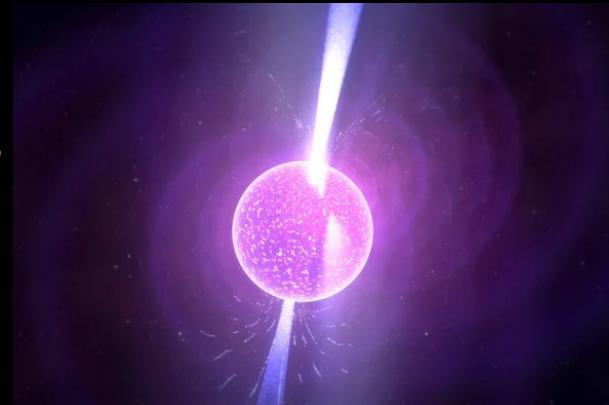
Jupiter

DM heat  
anomaly?



Uranus

DM limits from  
temperature



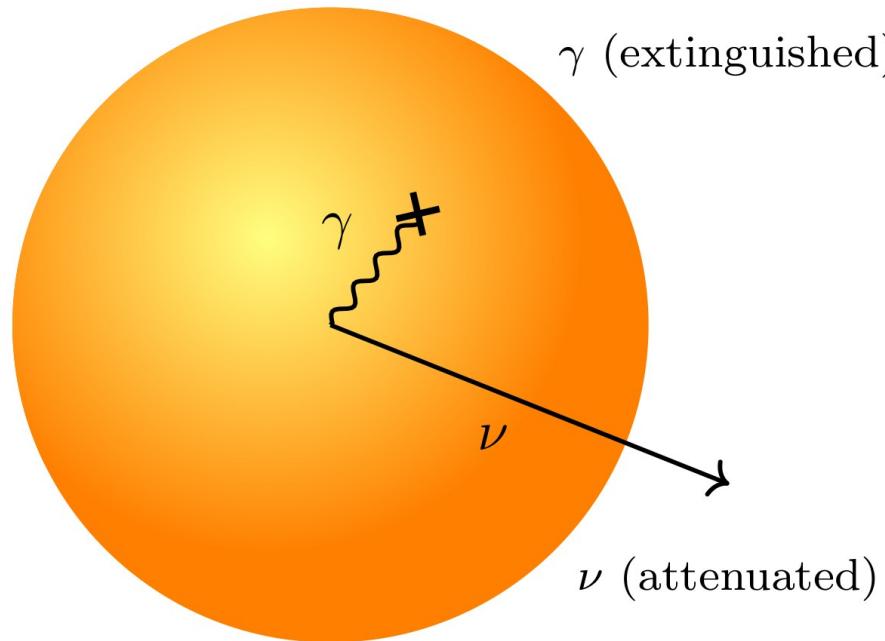
Neutron Stars

DM heating, infrared  
telescopes



White Dwarfs

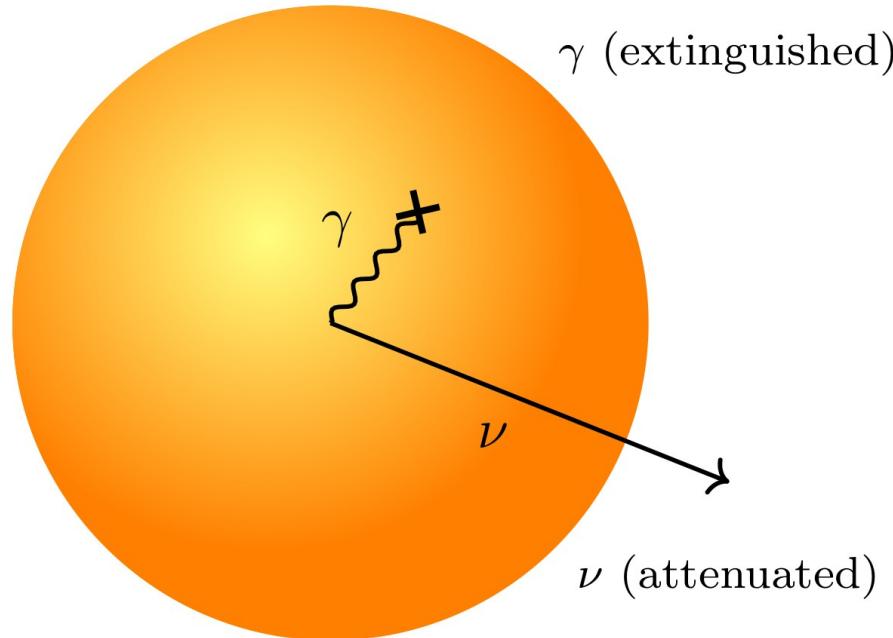
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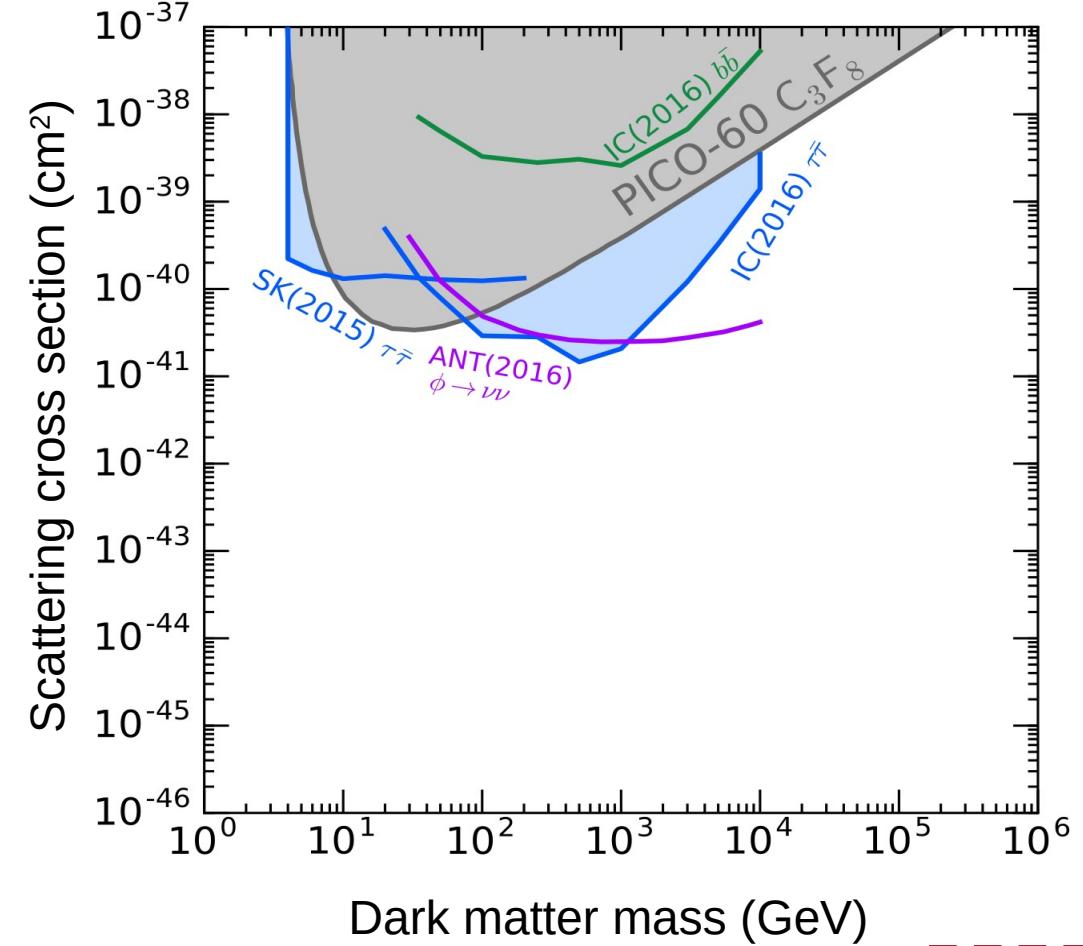
Evolution of dark matter number density

$$\frac{d}{dt} N_\chi = \Gamma_{\text{cap}} - C_{\text{ann}} N_\chi^2$$

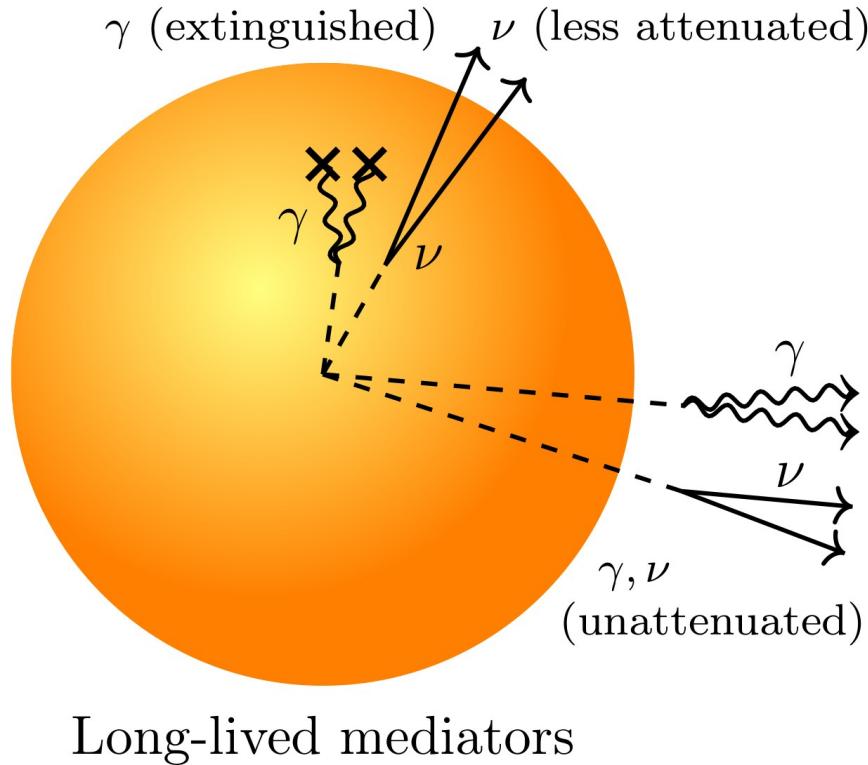
# DARK MATTER IN THE SUN



Limits from neutrinos, standard scenario



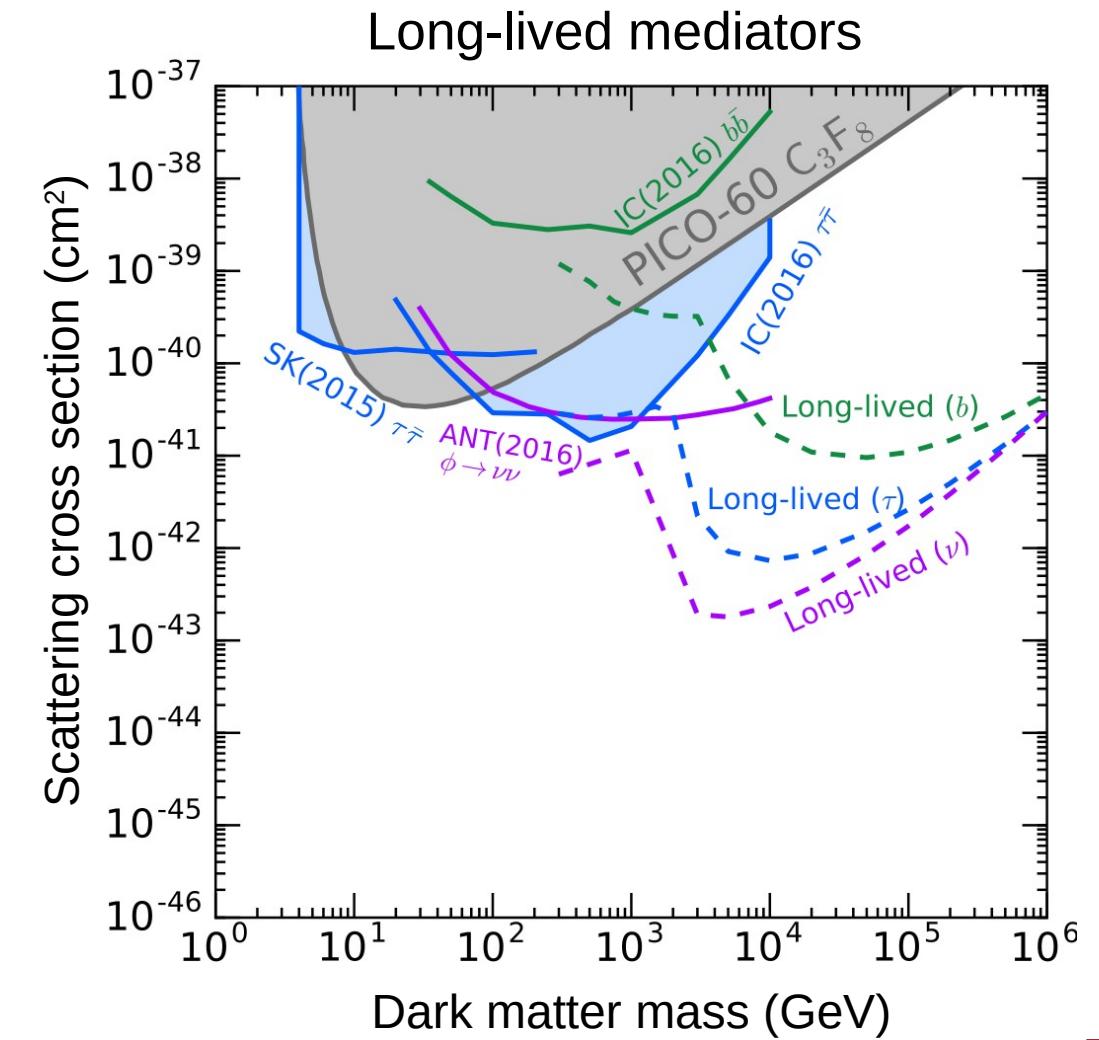
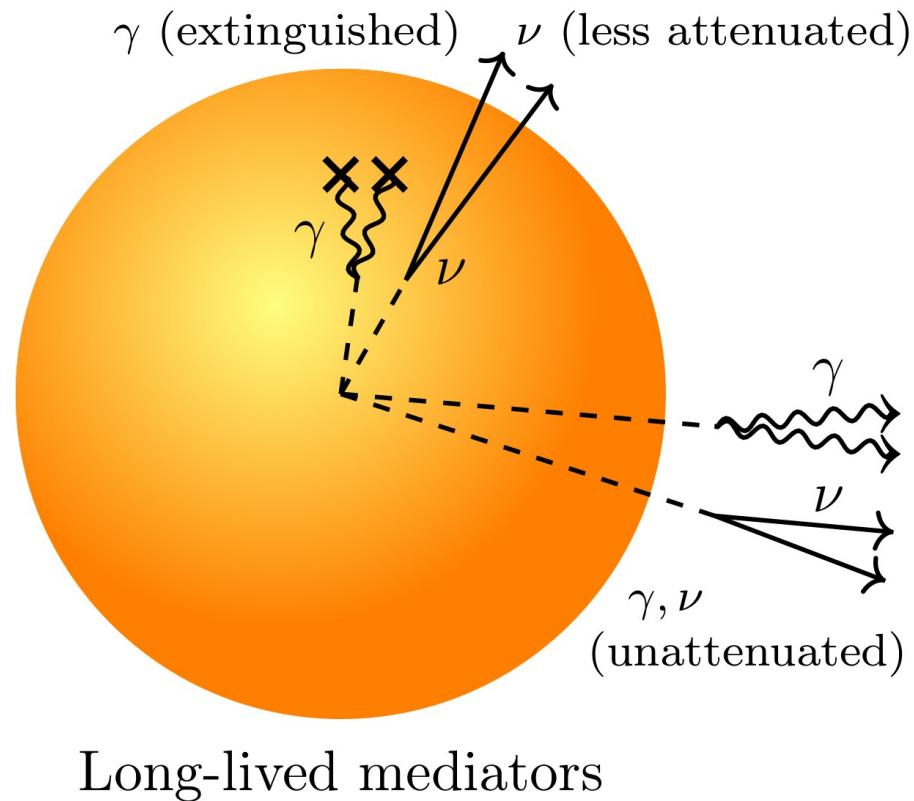
# LONG-LIVED SIGNAL BOOST:



Schuster, Toro, Yavin (PRD '10)  
Batell, Pospelov, Ritz, Shang (PRD '10)  
Meade, Nussinov, Papucci, Volansky (JHEP '10)



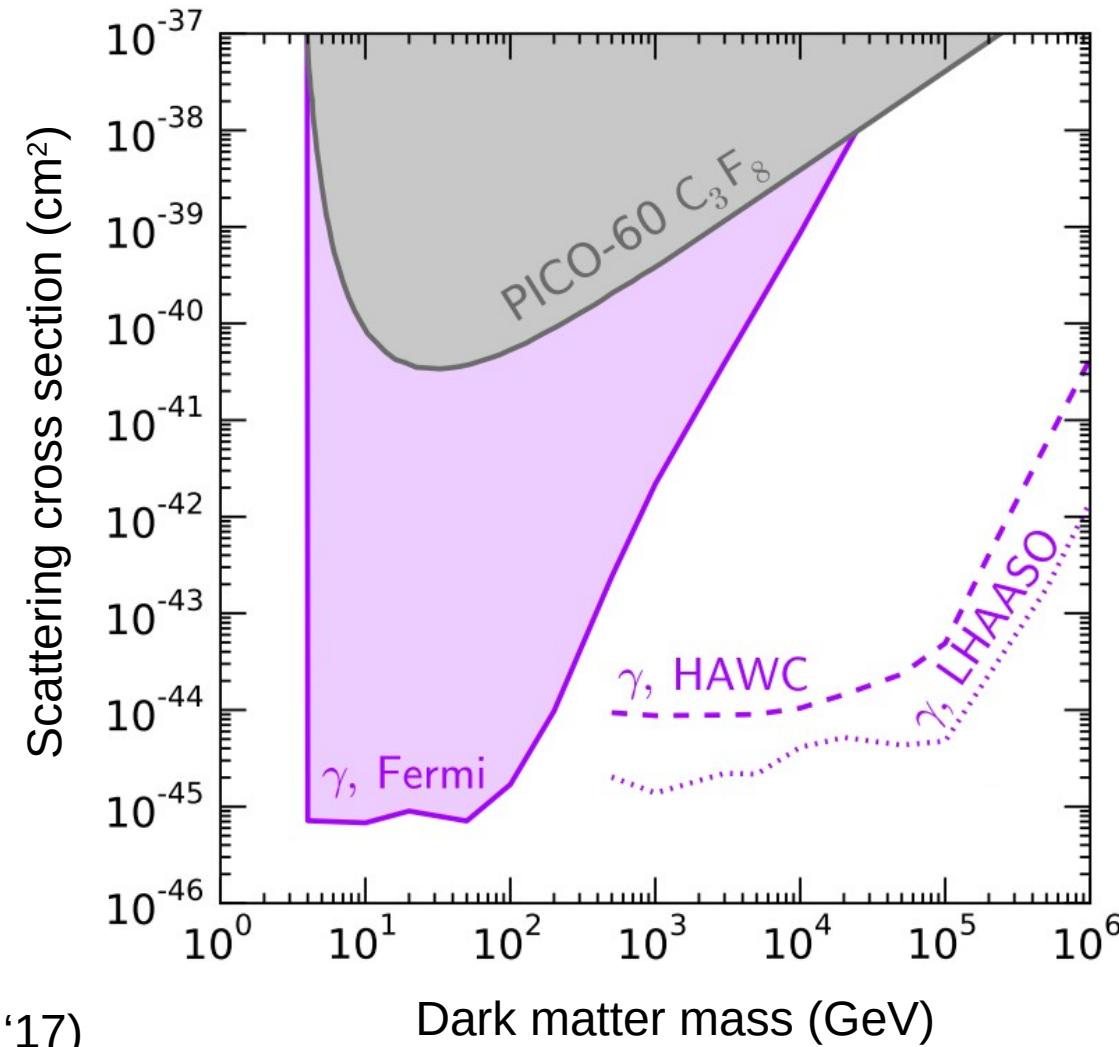
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RL, Ng, Beacom (PRD '17)



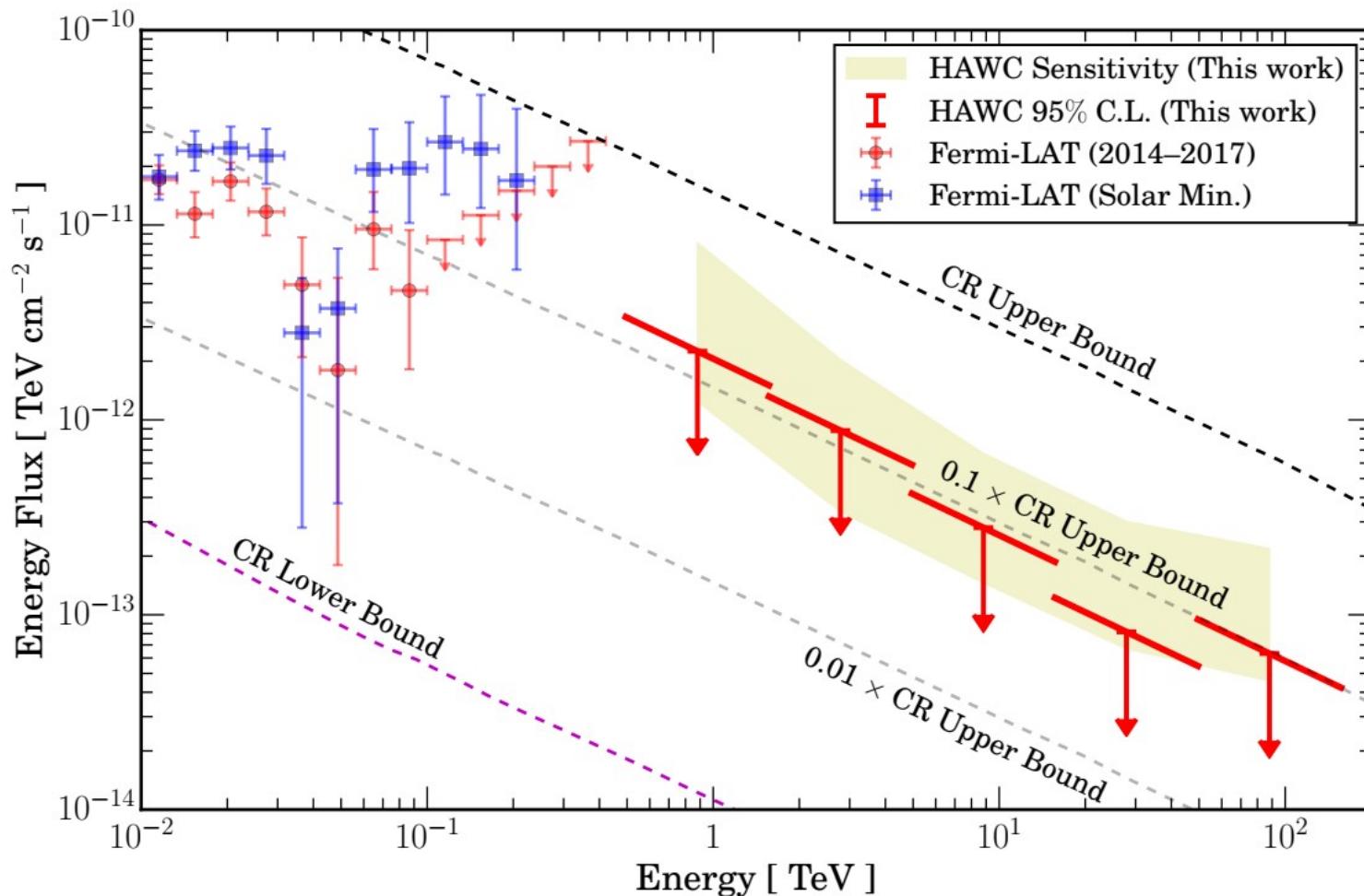
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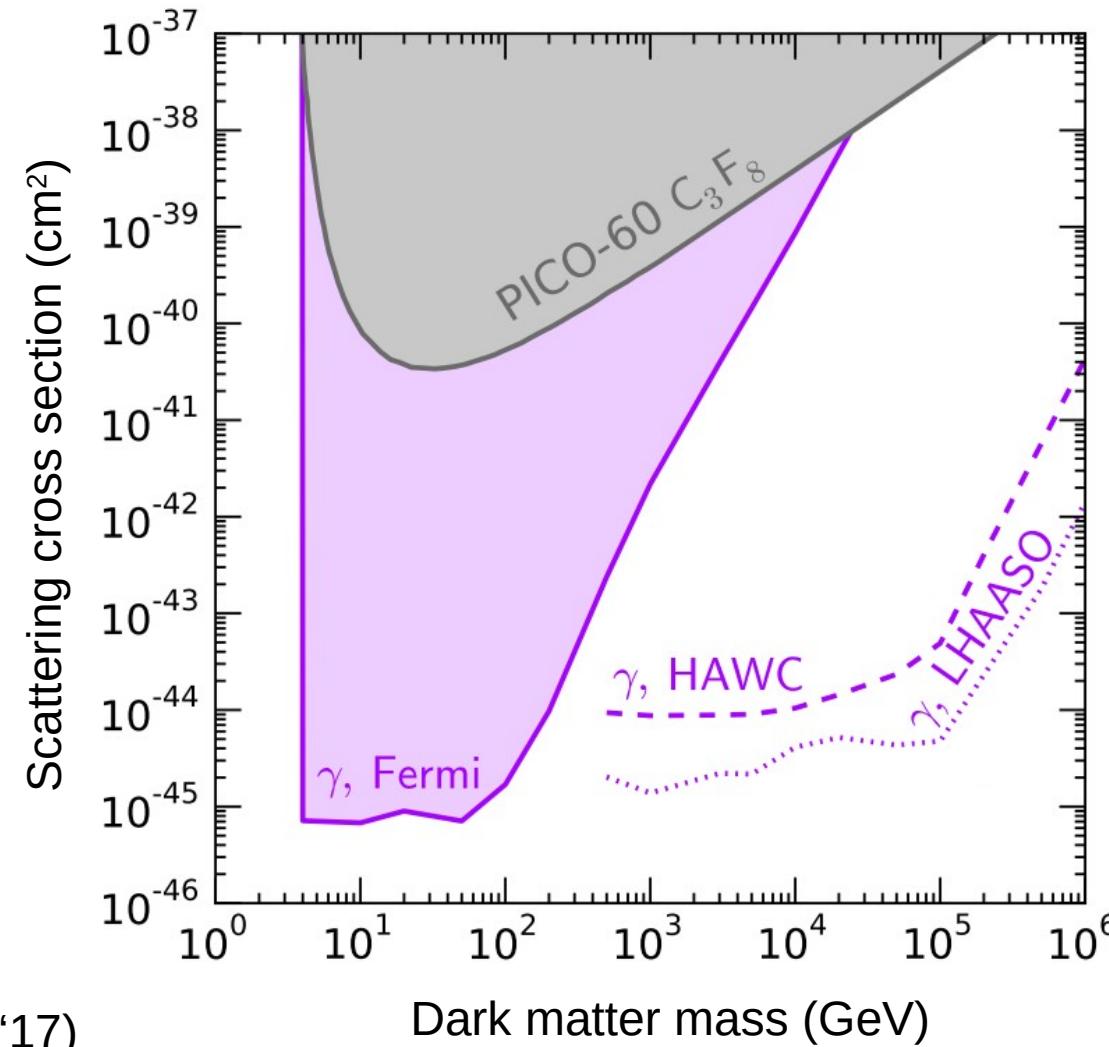
# NEW LIMITS WITH HAWC



HAWC Collaboration + **RL** (PRD '18)  
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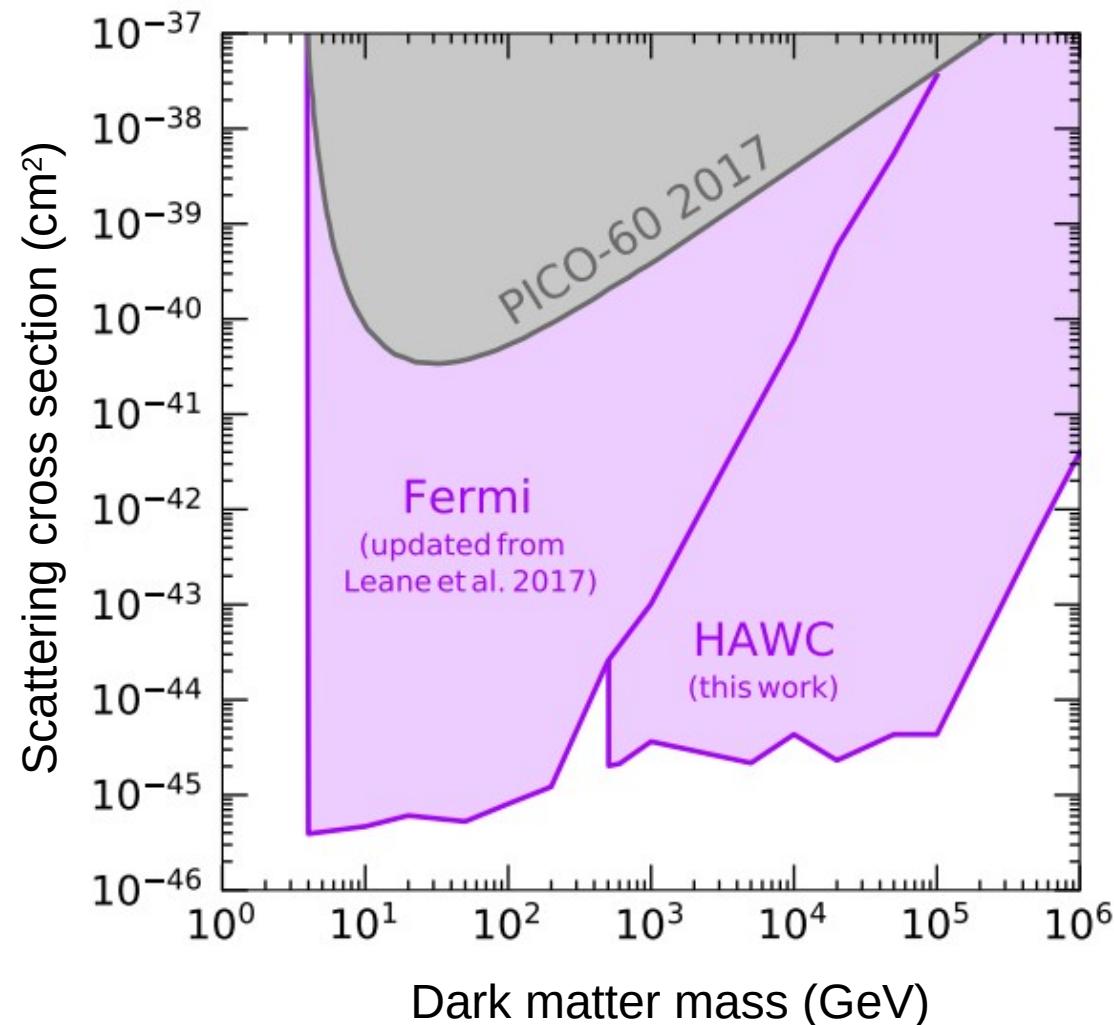
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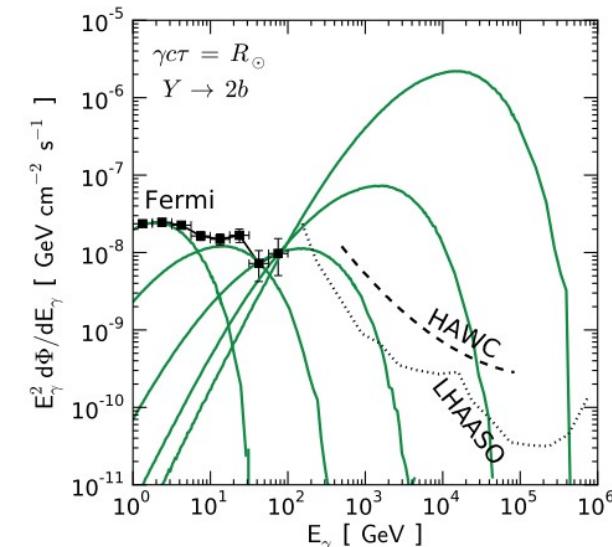
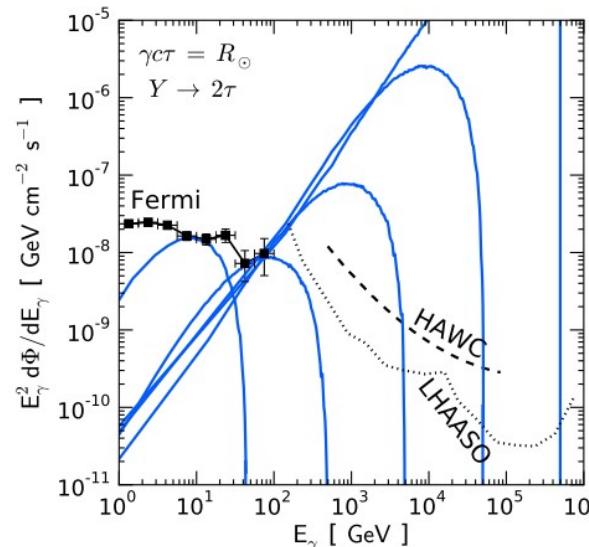
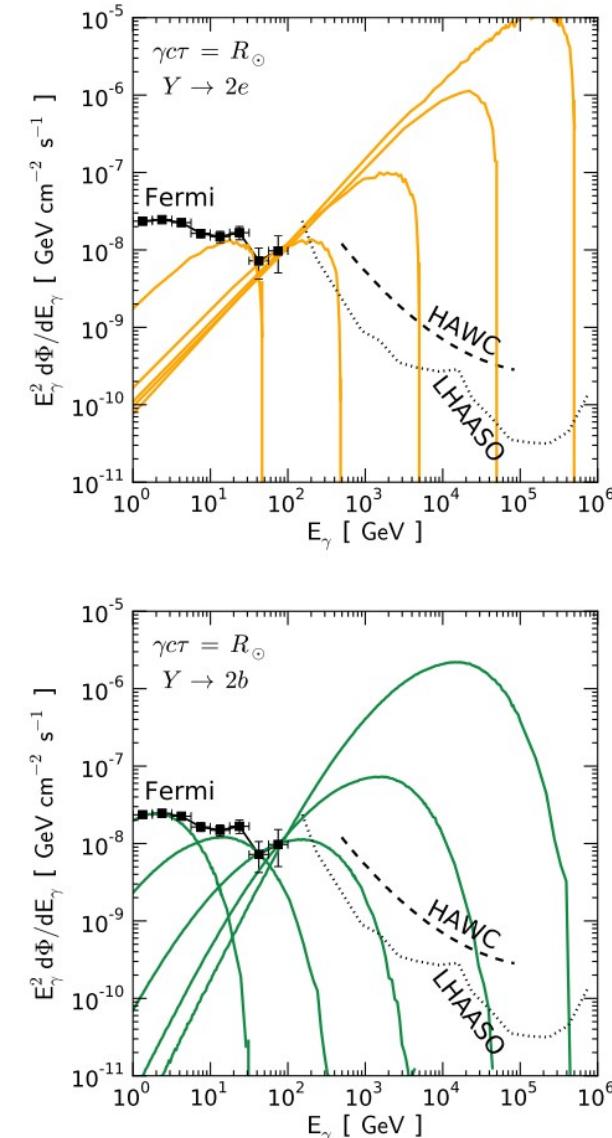
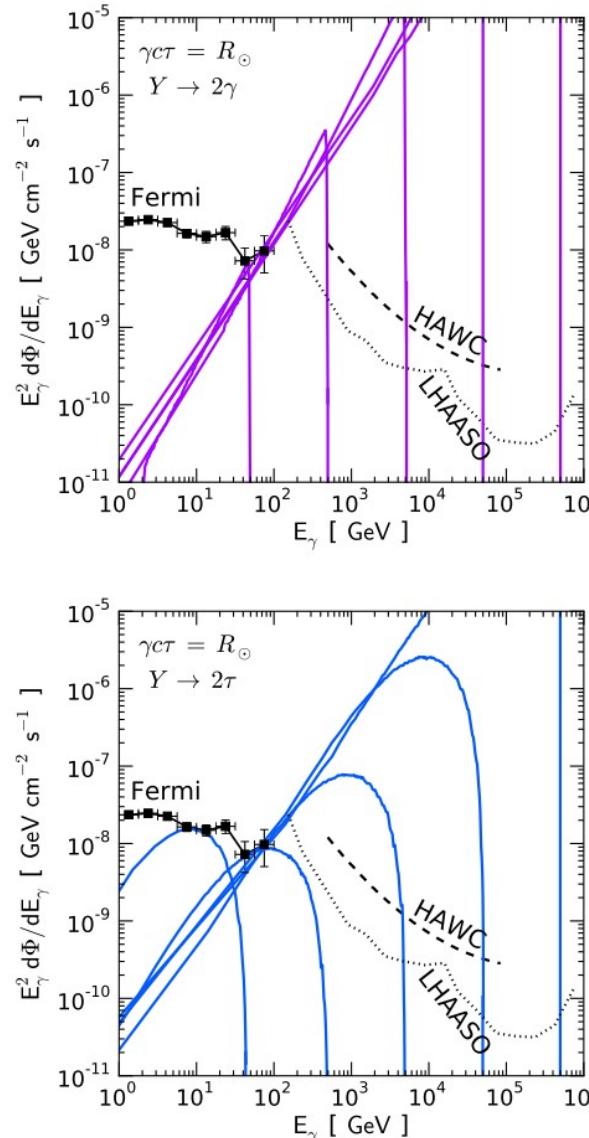


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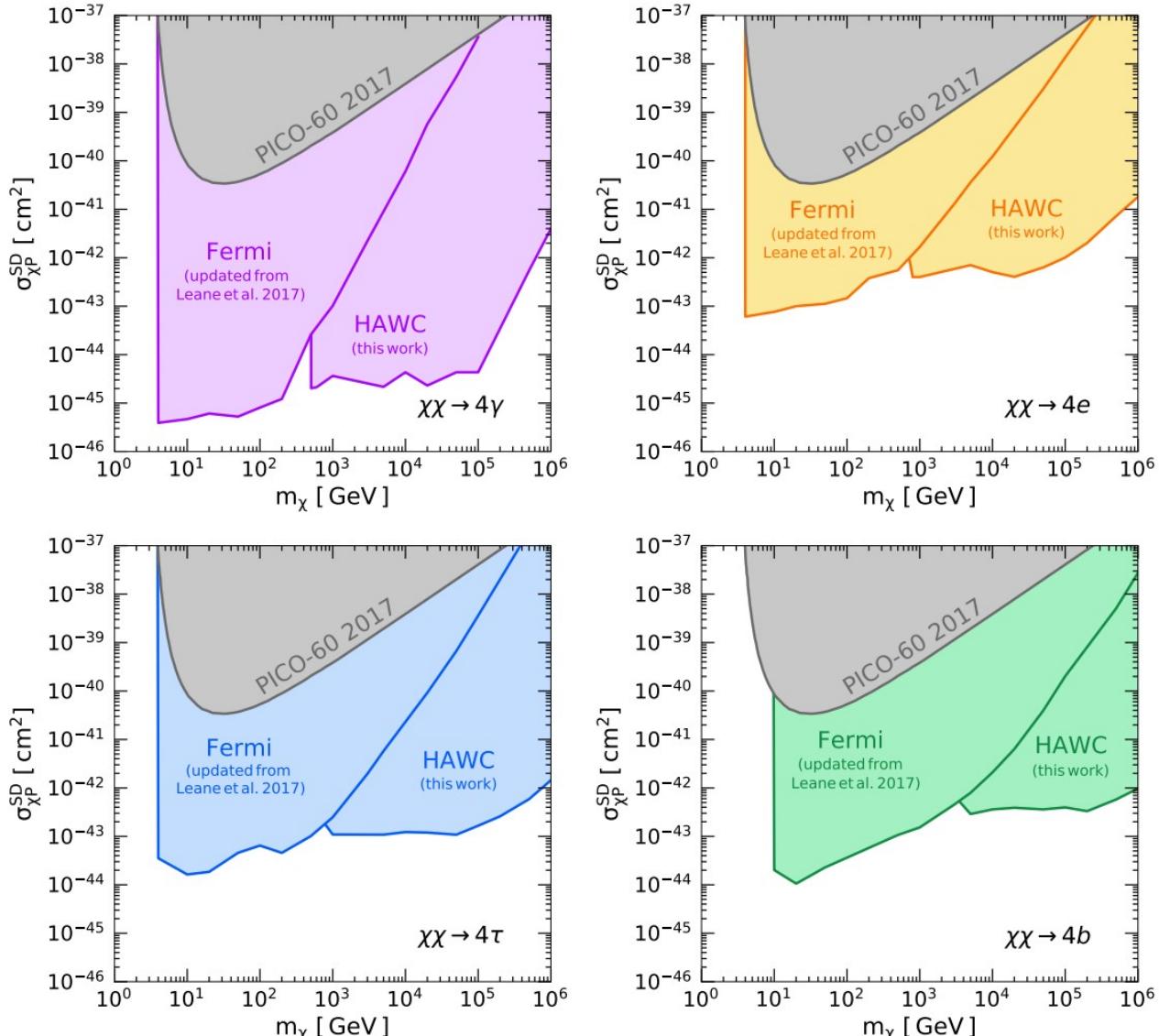


# SOLAR DARK MATTER LIMITS

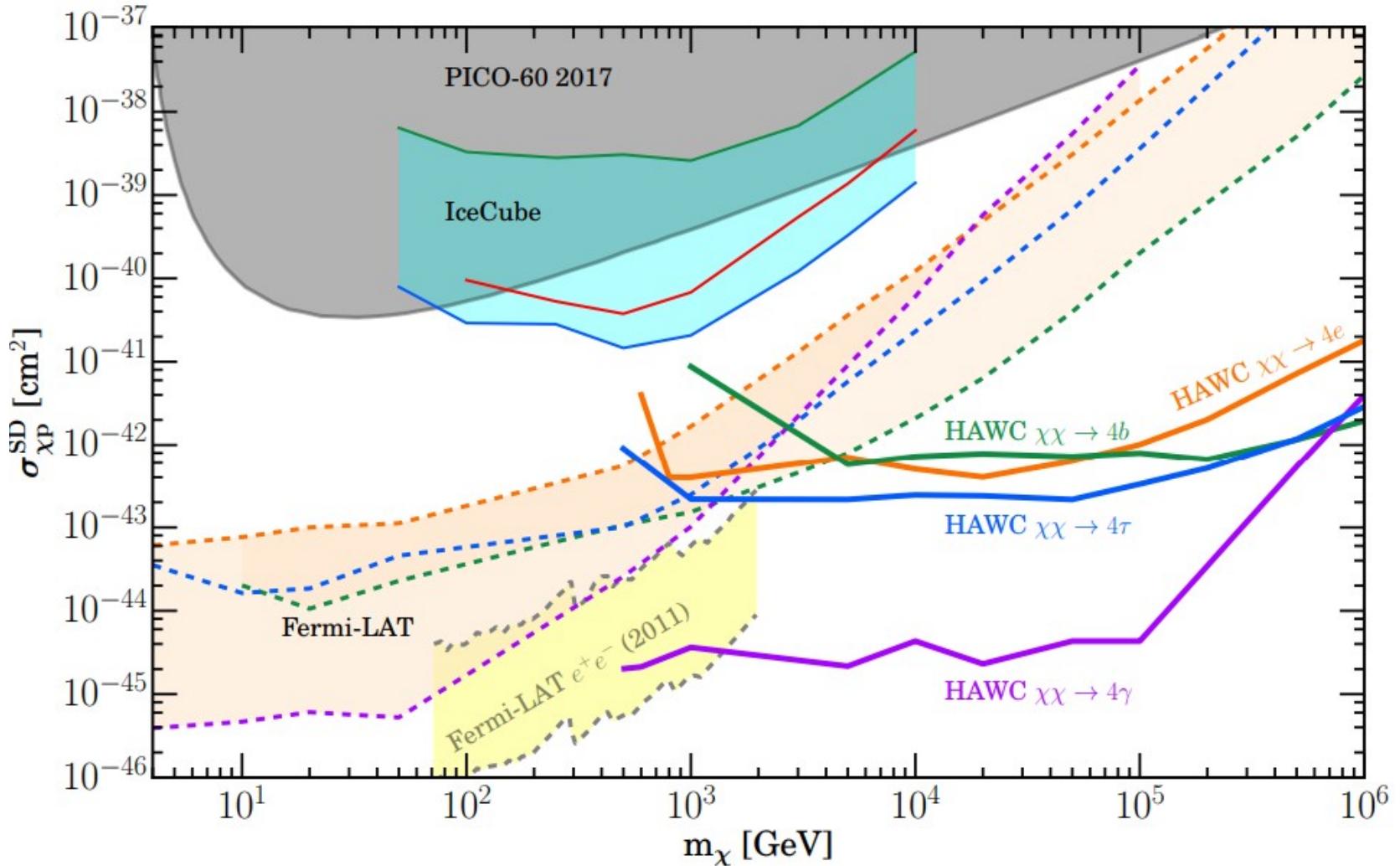
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# SOLAR DARK MATTER LIMITS: UPDATED



# SOLAR DARK MATTER LIMITS: ALL



HAWC Collaboration + RL (PRD in press '18)

