

Galactic WIMP search with the Super-Kamiokande detector

and group status in 2020

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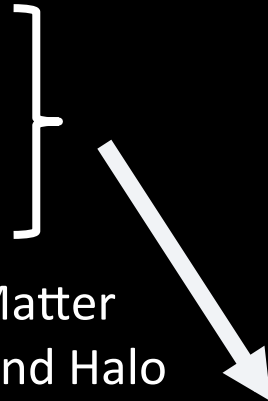
OUTLINE

1. KM3NeT



2. Super-Kamiokande

3. Achievement:

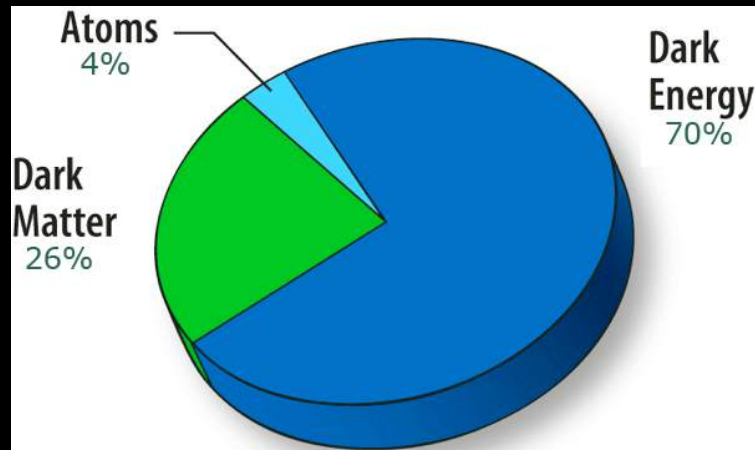


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KM3NeT deployment



Super-Kamiokande

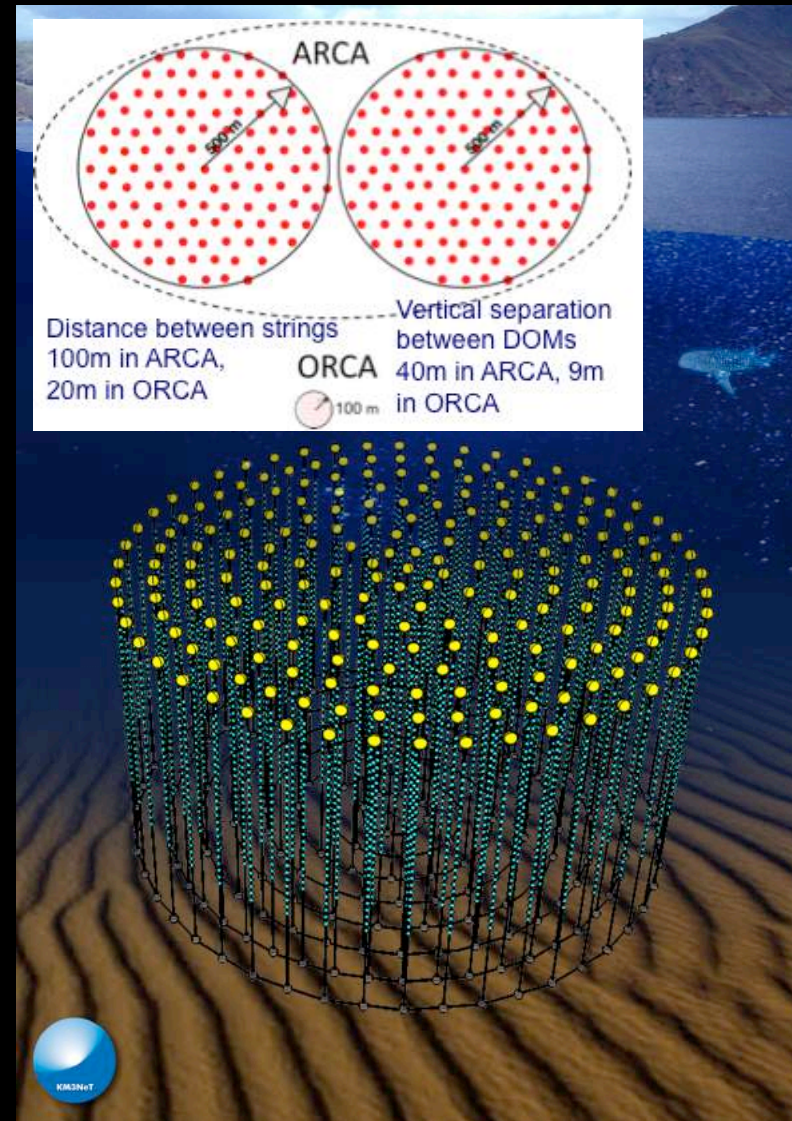
KM3NeT in 2020

KM3NeT

Modular neutrino research infrastructure
in the Mediterranean Sea

2 DETECTORS:

- **ORCA** (Oscillation Research with Cosmics in the Abyss),
 - Location: Toulon (FR), 6Mton, ~2.5km depth
 - Taking data: 6 strings now out of 115
 - Expected in 2025
- **ARCA** (Astroparticle Research with Cosmics in the Abyss)
 - Location: Capo Pasero (IT), ~1km³, ~3.5km depth
 - Taking data: 1(2) strings now out of 2x115
 - Expected in 2027





KM3NeT-PL GROUP (2020)

- Piotr Mijakowski – coordinator, SONATA-BIS

*Conference and Outreach Committee member,
Institute Board and Review & Resources Board
representative*



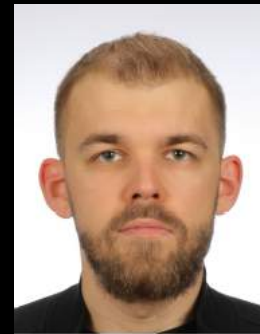
- Rafał Wojaczyński, post-doc

*GC WIMP search at ORCA (sensitivity), self-veto
studies*



- Piotr Kalaczyński, PhD

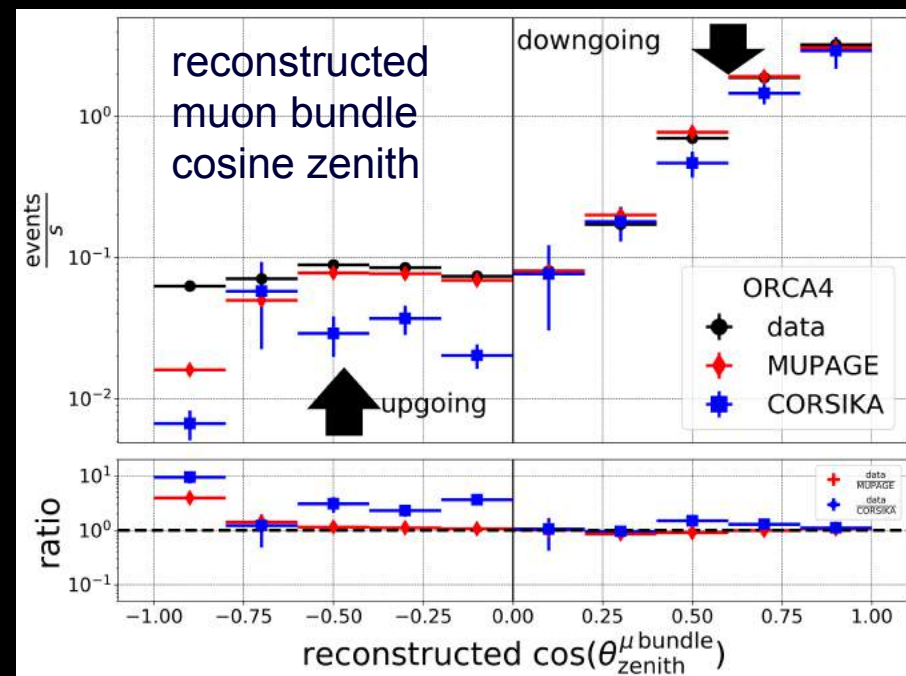
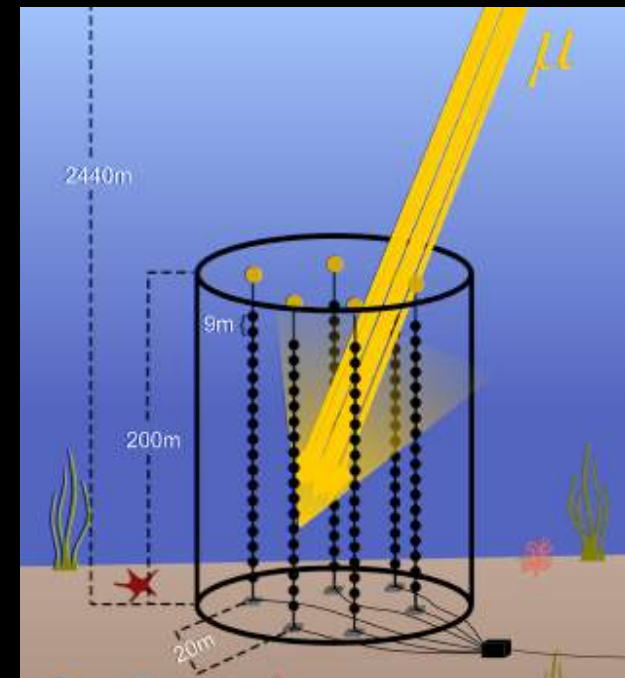
*atm. ν/μ CORSIKA simulations & data comparisons,
charm/prompt flux analysis*



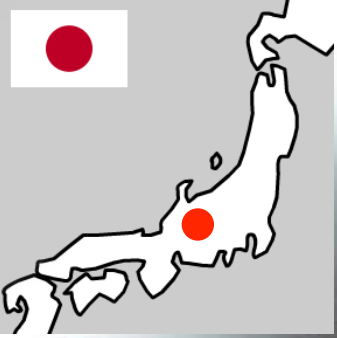


Cosmic ray muon studies

- First data available from KM3NeT-ORCA (4 strings) & KM3NeT-ARCA (2 strings)
- Comparison of data vs. Monte Carlo (CORSIKA) done by **Piotr Kalaczyński**
- Presented in 2020 at major conferences:
 - NEUTRINO 2020, Chicago (online) → poster
 - ICHEP 2020, Prague (online) → **KM3NeT-ORCA** talk in the name of collaboration (!!! for PhD student)



Super-Kamiokande



Super-Kamiokande

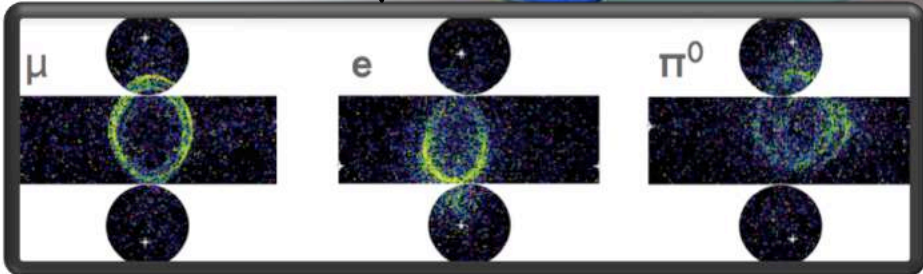
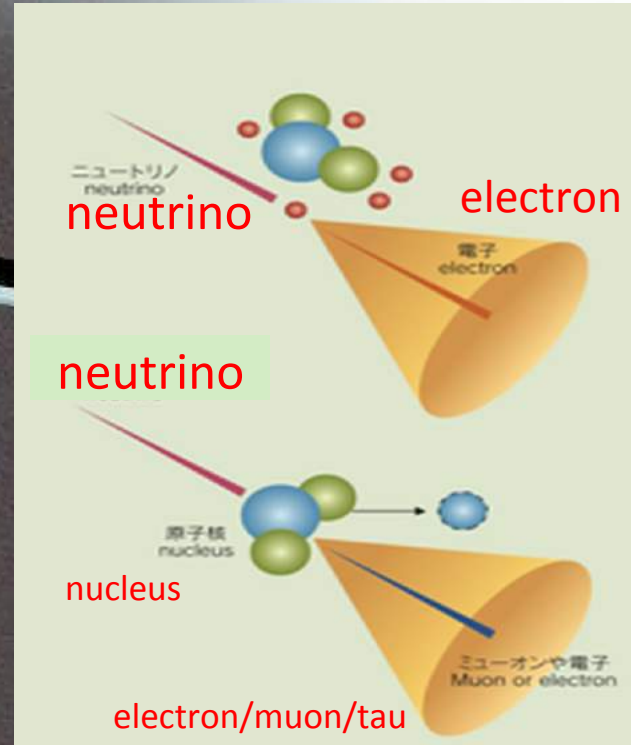
@ Kamioka Observatory (ICRR, University of Tokyo), Japan



40m

good separation
muon/electron

40m



Super-Kamiokande PL

- Polish group expanded in 2020 thanks to new funds: Justyna Łagoda's SONATA-BIS
- Member status as of 2020 :
 - Piotr Mijakowski → country representative, dark matter
 - 5 new people this year:
 - Justyna Łagoda } atmospheric neutrinos, T2K-SK
 - Joanna Zalipska } atmospheric neutrinos, T2K-SK
 - Lakshmi Mohan } atmospheric neutrinos, T2K-SK
new post-doc, reflectivity/detector calibration
 - Maitrayee Mandal
PhD student, tau neutrino appearance analysis
 - Yashwanth Praphu
PhD student, T2K-SK activities

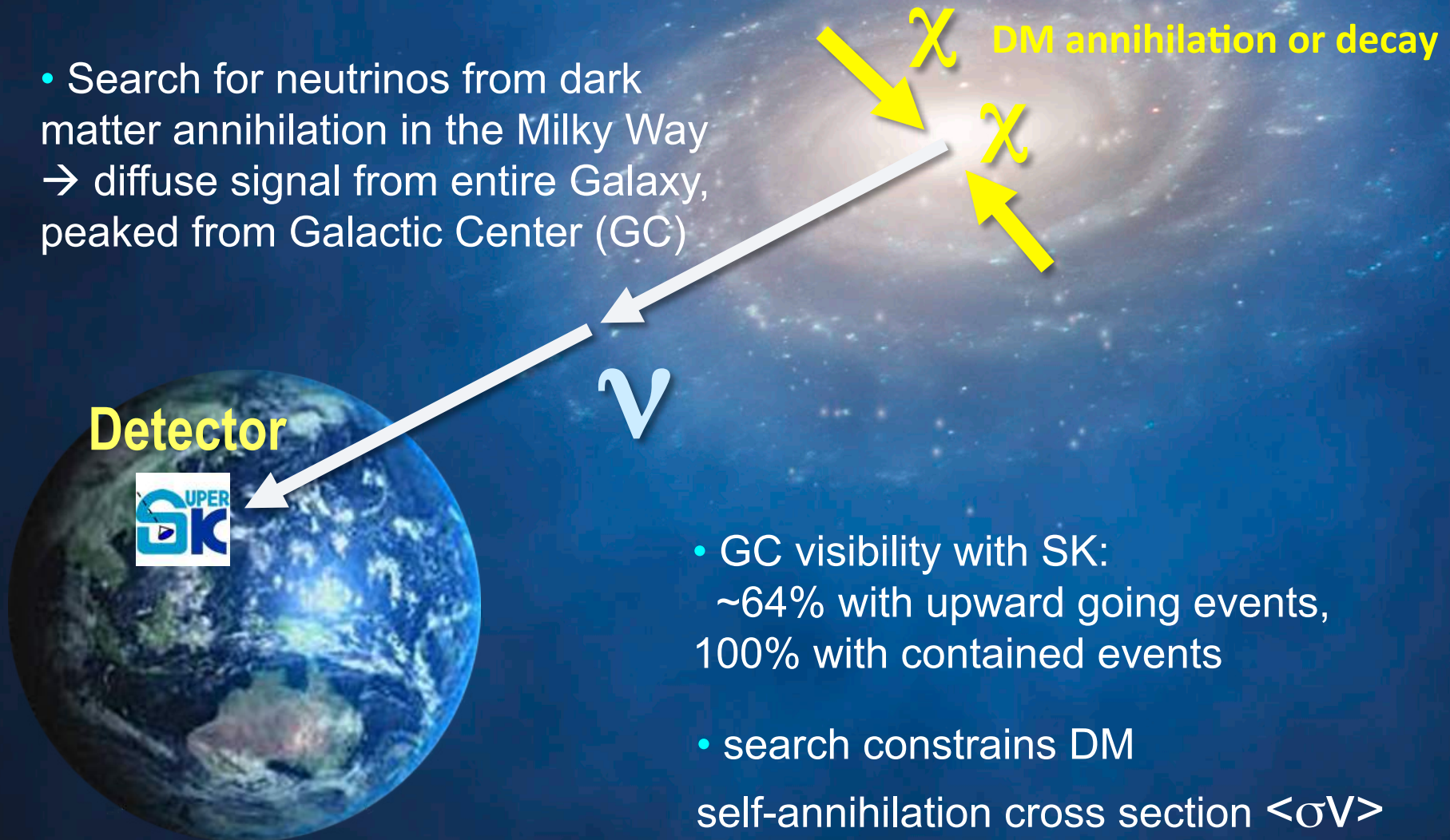
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achievement

GALACTIC WIMP SEARCH IDEA

- Search for neutrinos from dark matter annihilation in the Milky Way
→ diffuse signal from entire Galaxy, peaked from Galactic Center (GC)



GC WIMP SEARCH PAPER

ANALYSIS PUBLISHED:

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NCBJ contribution is 100%:

- Main analysis by PM

- Cross check analysis by Katarzyna Frankiewicz (former PhD student)

- all plots in paper by PM/KF

- entire text by PM

- PM fully responsible for publication process (addressing referees, supplement etc)

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(The Super-Kamiokande Collaboration)

ANALYSIS IDEA - FIT

- Search for neutrinos from DM annihilation in the Milky way based on Super-Kamiokande data (1996-2014)

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}, W^+W^-, b\bar{b}, \mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \dots \nu_{e\mu\tau}$$

- FIT: for each tested WIMP mass & ann. mode, find configuration of background and signal that would match DATA the best using reconstructed angular & momentum distributions

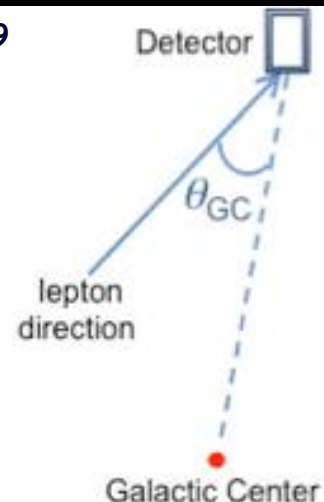
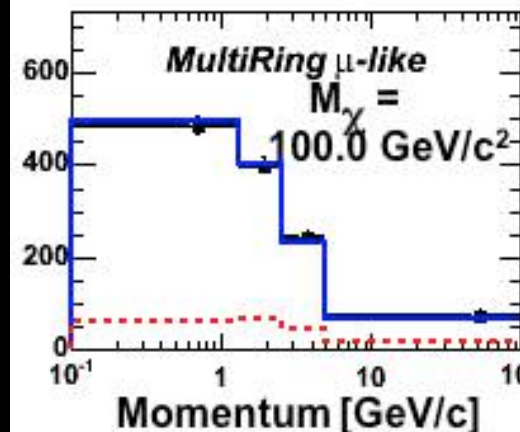
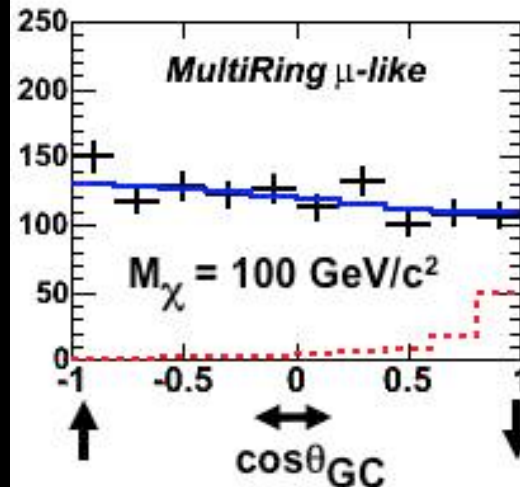
$$\text{DATA} = \text{?} \text{ SIGNAL} + \text{V ATM}$$



Monte Carlo

Example based on 1 sample out of 19

$bb\text{-bar}, M_\chi = 100\text{GeV}$

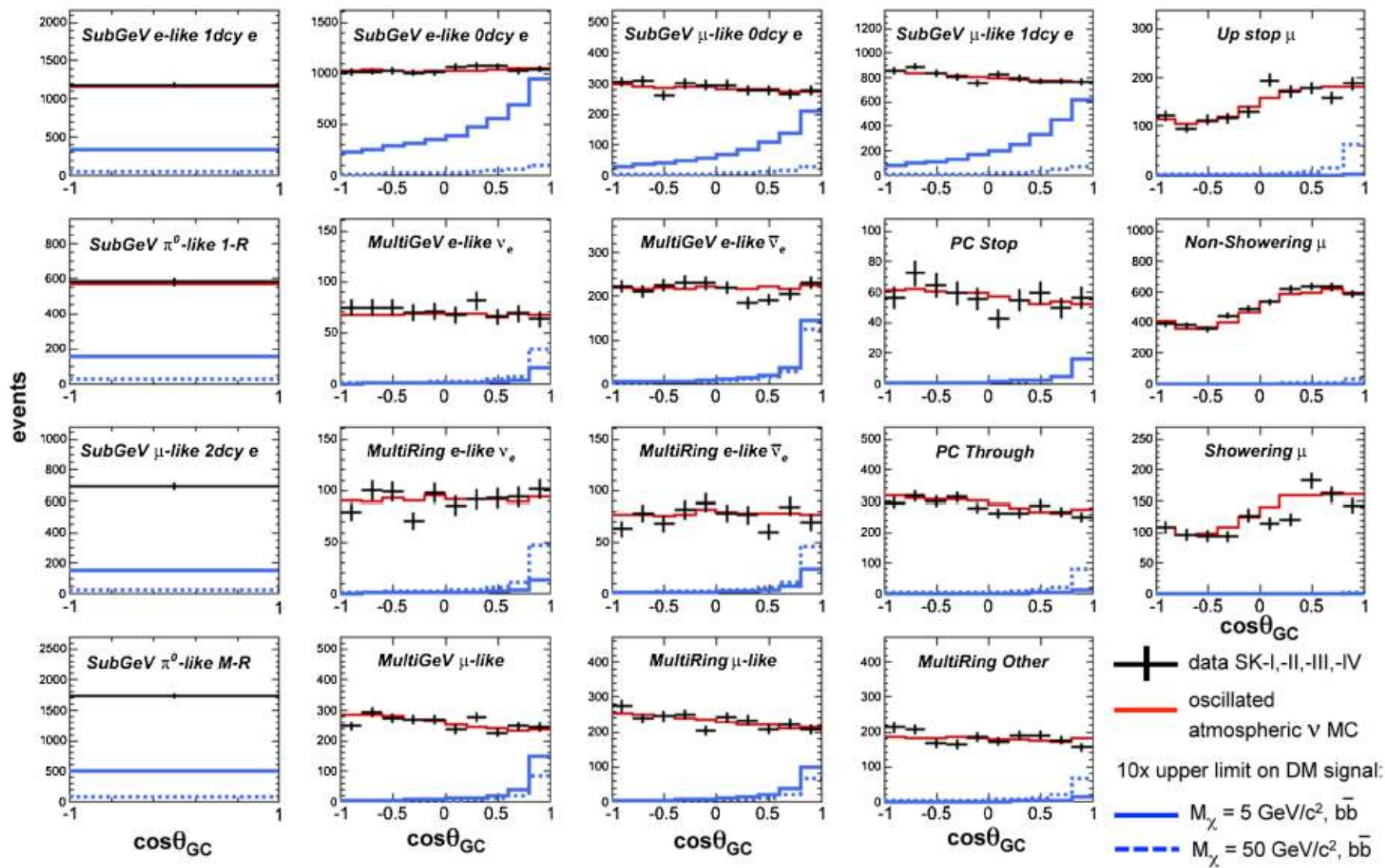


- SK DATA
- ATM MC (BKG) with oscillations
- WIMP signal enhanced for illustration

DM-induced signal and atmospheric ν background

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FIT RESULT

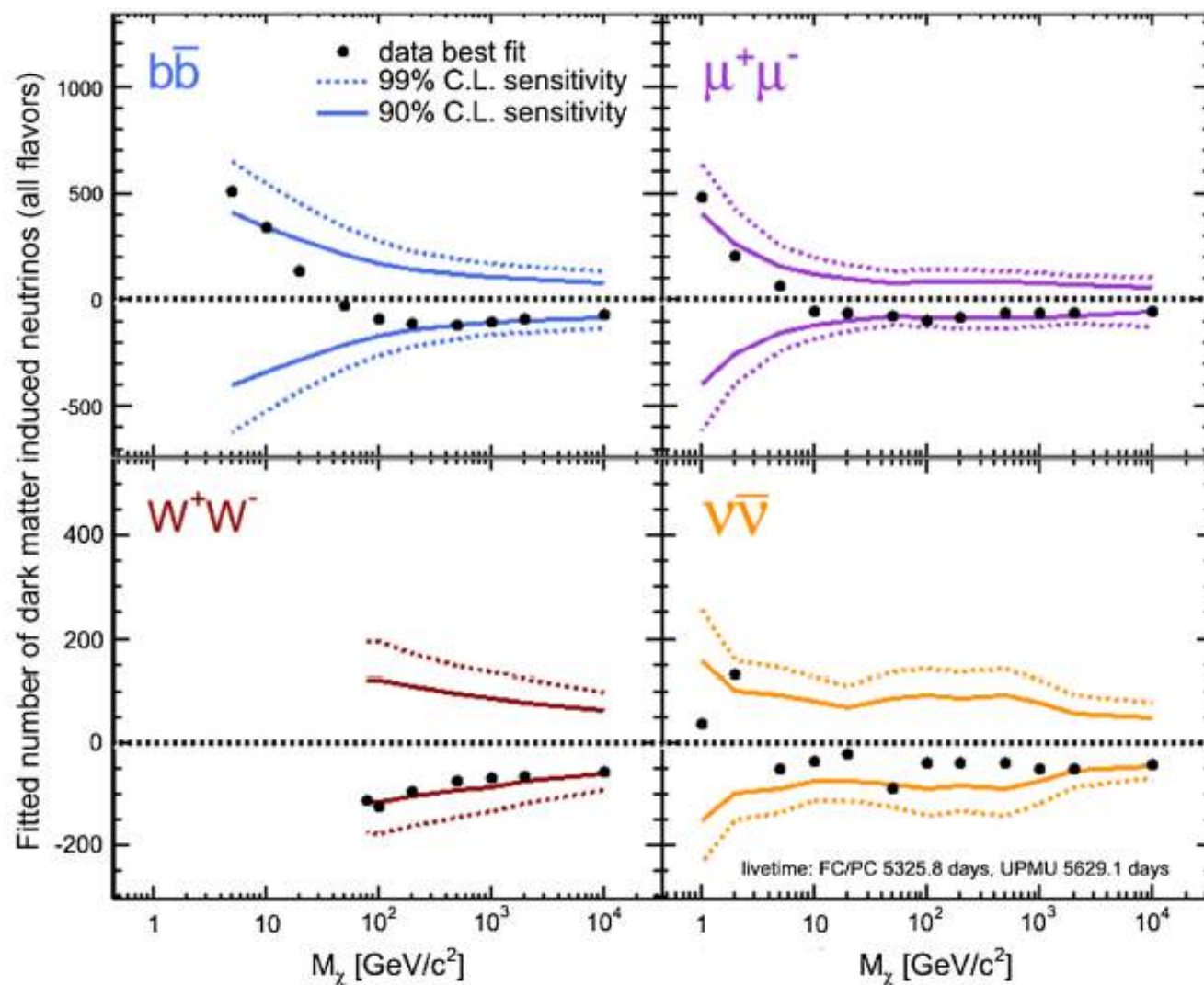


FIG. 5. Fitted number of DM-induced neutrinos of all flavors from annihilation into $b\bar{b}$, $\mu^+\mu^-$, W^+W^- , and $\nu\bar{\nu}$ as a function of the WIMP mass. Also shown are the expected sensitivities for the zero-signal case.

FIT RESULT – UPPER LIMITS

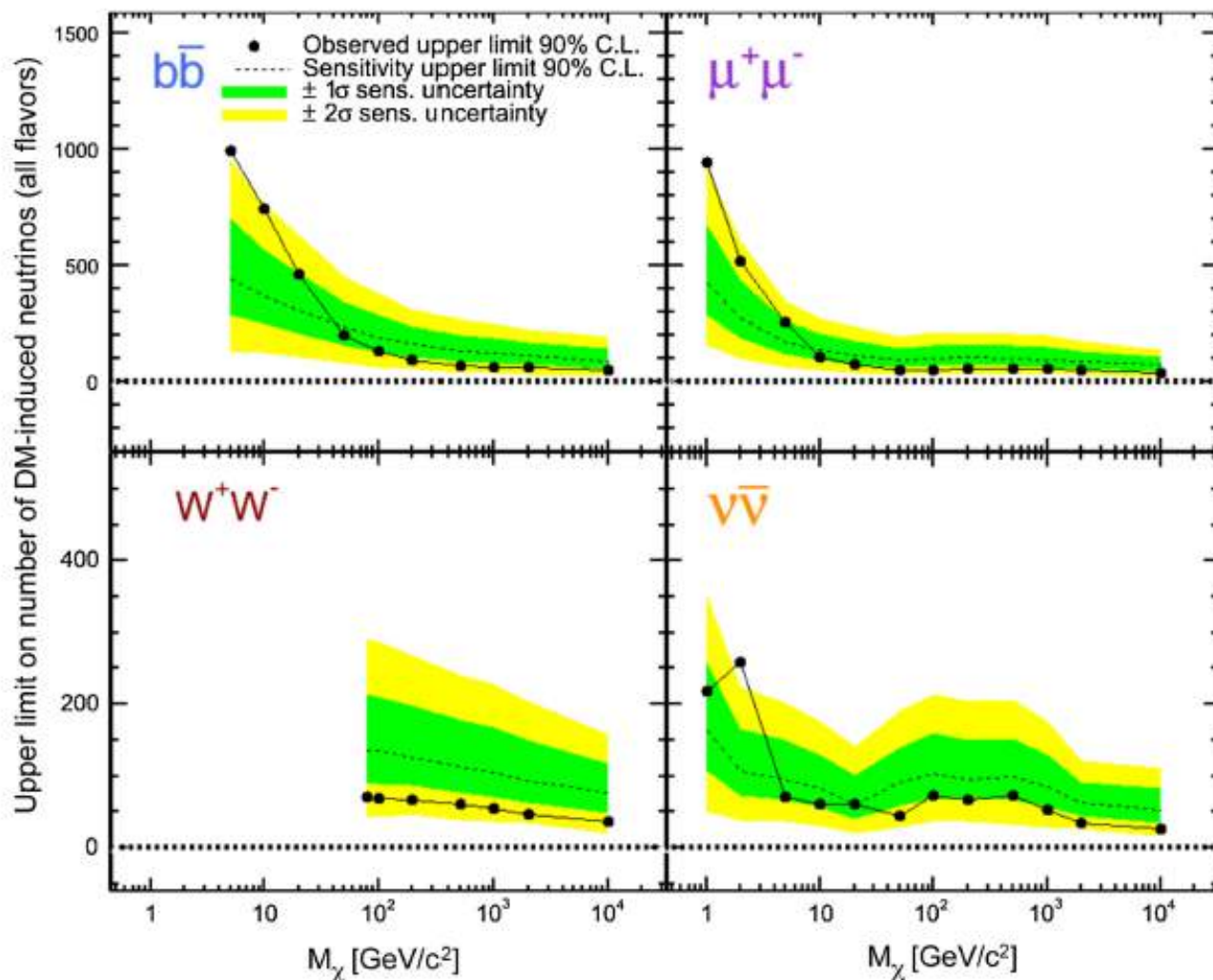
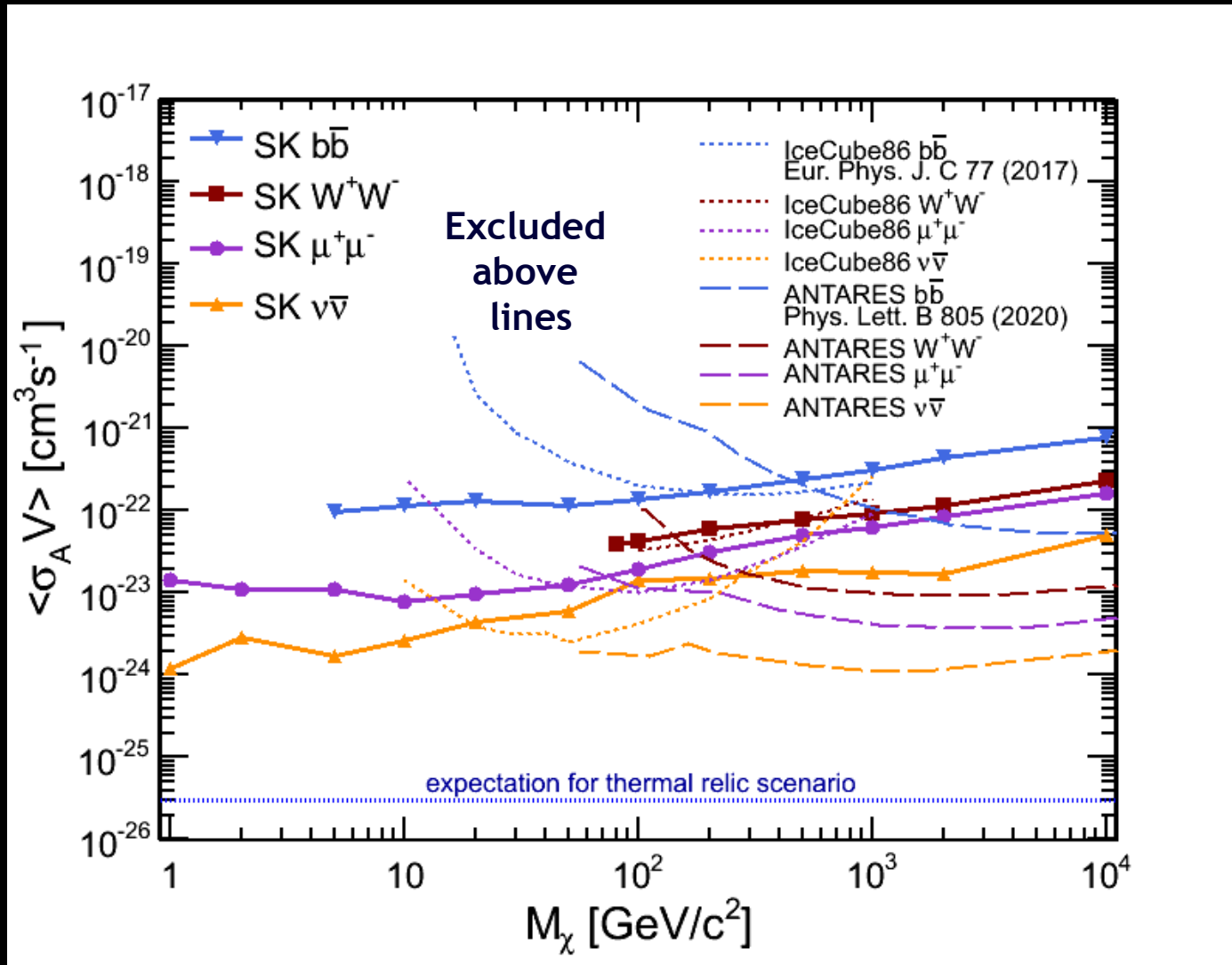


FIG. 6. Upper limit on the fitted number of DM-induced neutrinos of all flavors from annihilation into $b\bar{b}$, $\mu^+\mu^-$, W^+W^- , and $\nu\bar{\nu}$ as a function of the mass of the DM particles. The expected (median) limit assuming no signal is shown by the dashed line and the region containing 68.3% (95.5%) of the expected limits is shown by the green (yellow) band.

MAIN RESULT: WIMP ANNIHILATION CONSTRAINTS



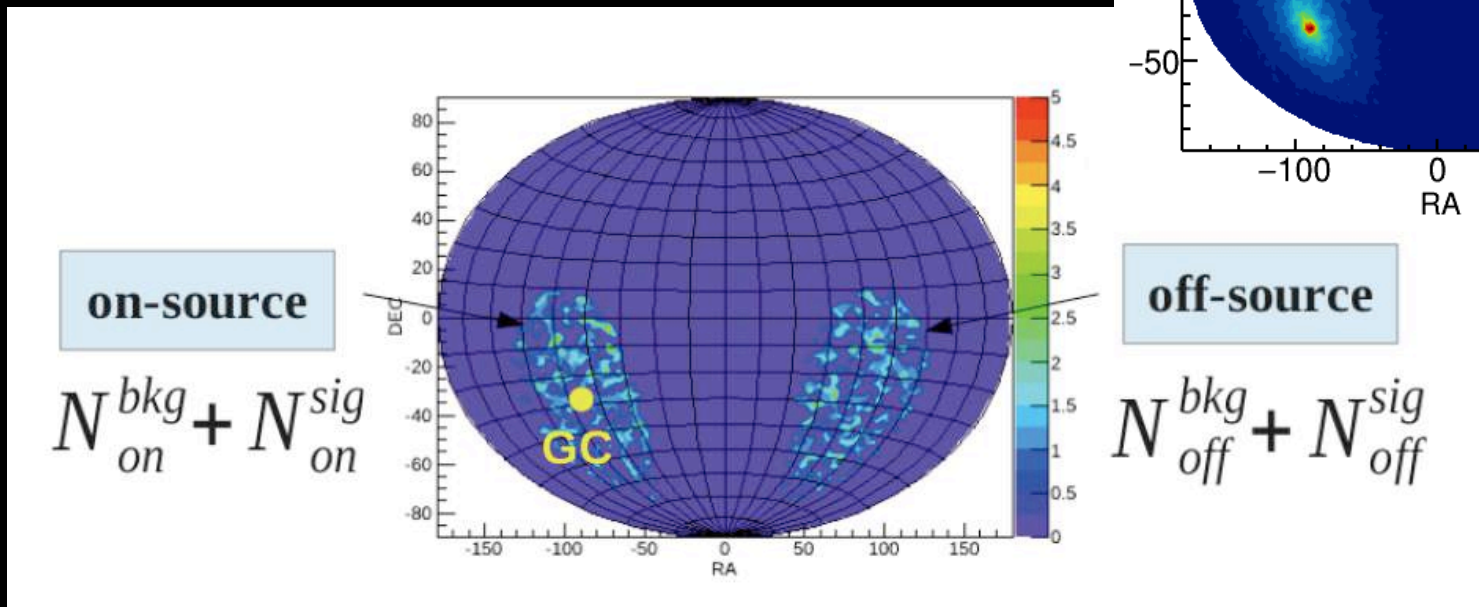
SK limits the best among all neutrino searches for WIMP masses below several tens of GeV (depending on the annihilation mode)

ON-/OFF-source analysis

- Cross check analysis performed by **Kasia Frankiewicz** and published in the same paper

expectation for DM-induced neutrinos

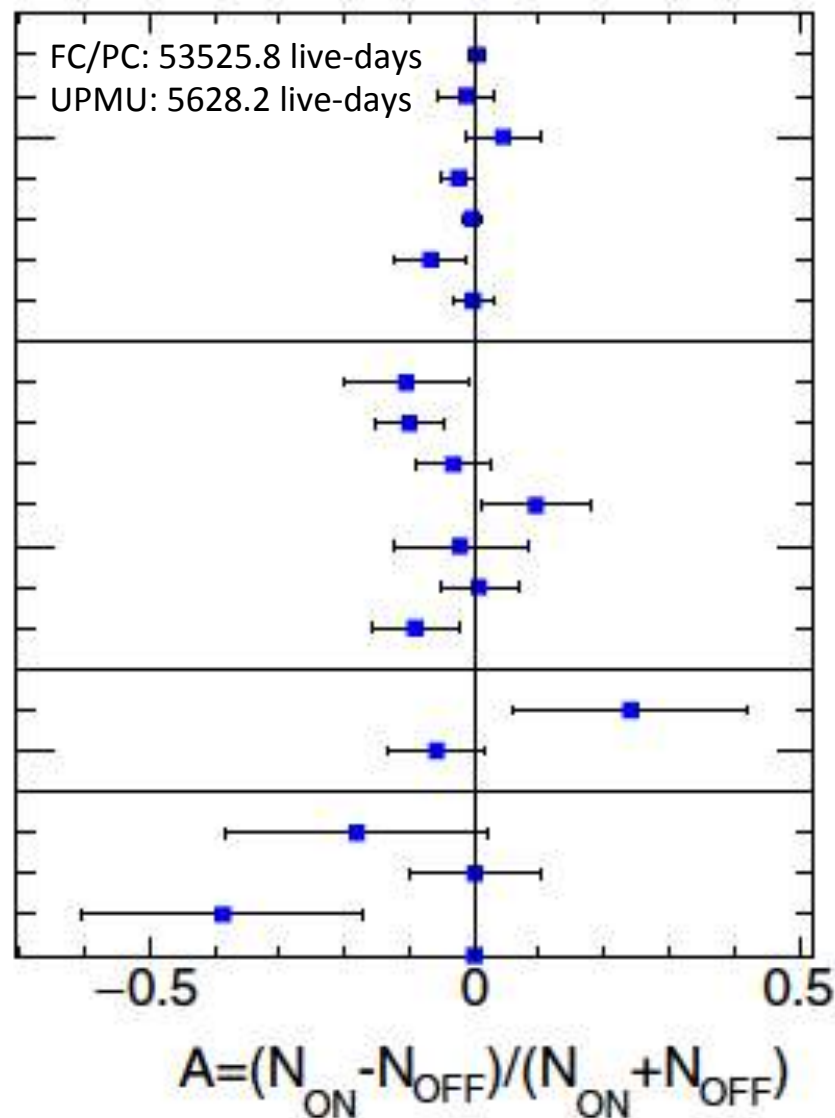
Search for large-scale anisotropy due to DM-induced ν 's from Milky Way



- Simple idea but powerful estimate independent on any MC/syst. uncertainties

ON-/OFF-source result

- Fully Contained (FC) Sub-GeV
- e-like 0 decay-e
- e-like 1 decay-e
- Single-ring π_0 -like
- μ -like 0 decay-e
- μ -like 1 decay-e
- μ -like 2 decay-e
- Multi-ring π_0 -like
- Fully Contained (FC) Multi-GeV
- ν_e -like
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ -like
- μ -like
- MultiRing ν_e -like
- MultiRing $\bar{\nu}_e$ -like
- MultiRing μ -like
- MultiRing Other
- Partially Contained (PC)
- Stopping
- Through-going
- Upward-going Muons (UP- μ)
- Stopping
- Through-going Non-showering
- Through-going Showering

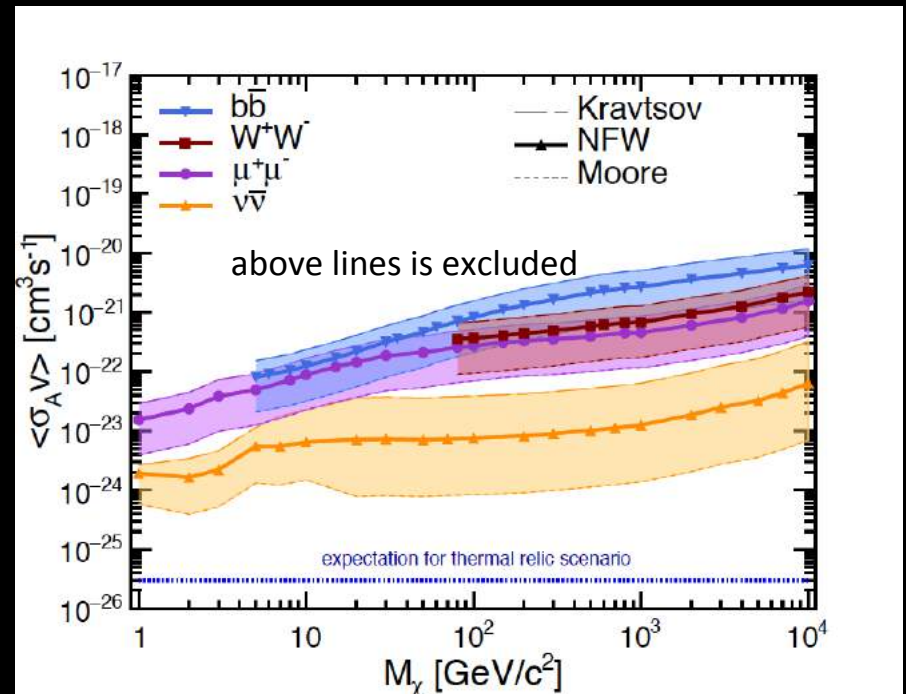
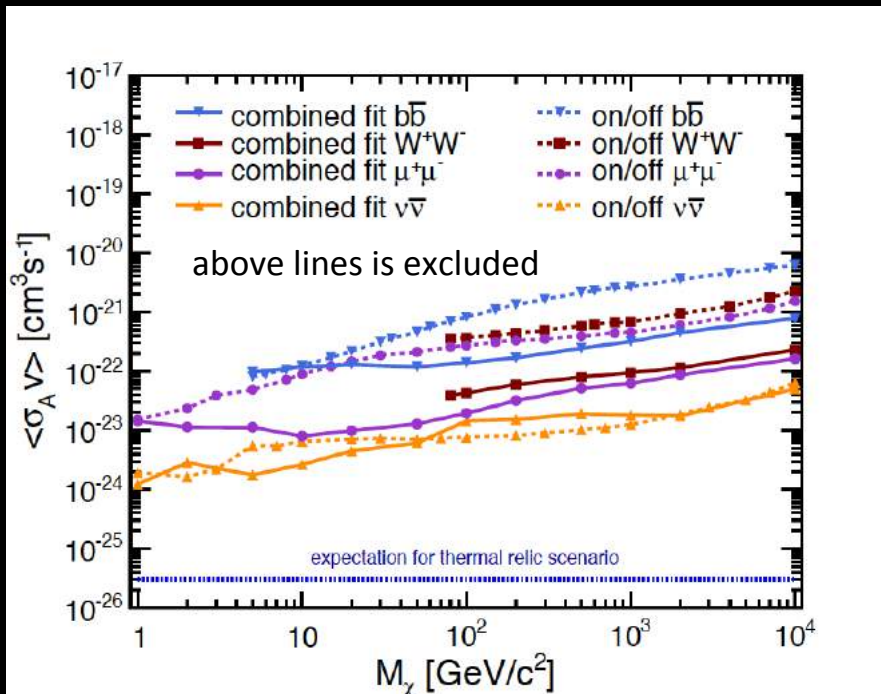


DATA is consistent with background, no asymmetry in neutrino flux observed

ON-/OFF-source result

Fit analysis gives stronger limits than ON-/OFF-source

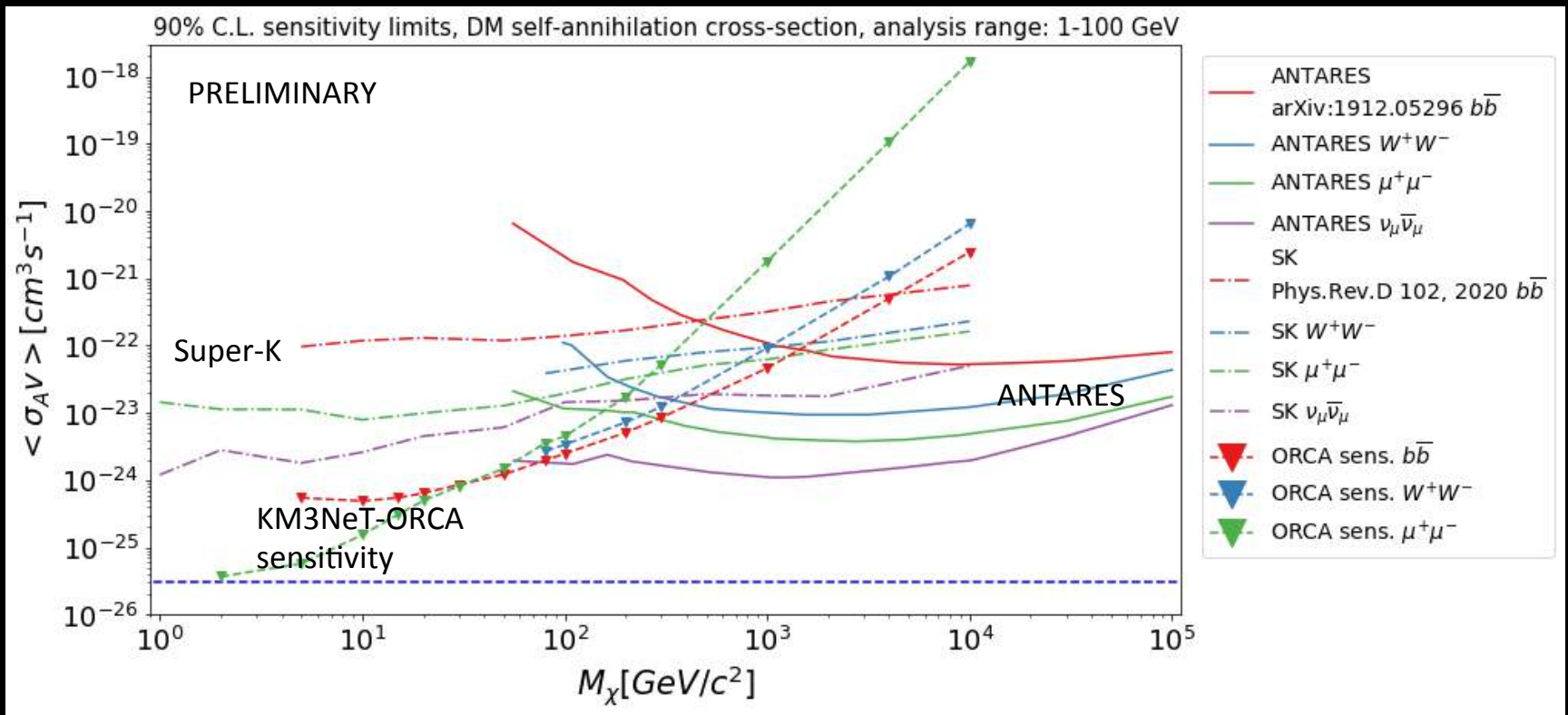
In ON-/OFF-source analysis we demonstrated impact of DM halo model choice





Future: ON-/OFF-source GC WIMP search at KM3NeT-ORCA

- ON-source / OFF-source analysis is also performed by Rafał Wojaczyński to estimate KM3NeT-ORCA performance
- Sensitivity expected for KM3NeT-ORCA full configuration (115 strings) within 1 year of operation

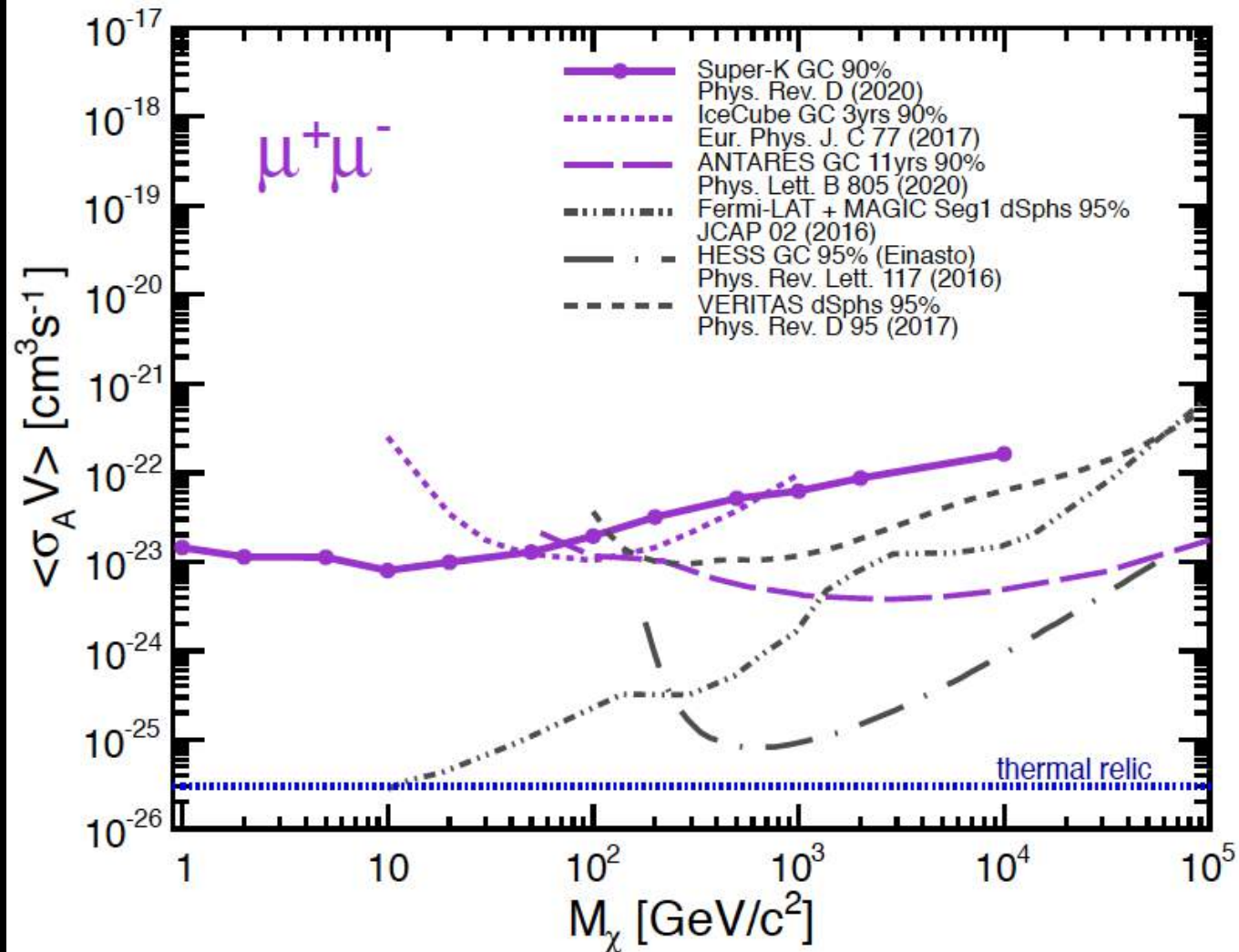


SUMMARY

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 - World best constraints on the value of dark matter self-annihilation cross section at neutrino telescopes for intermediate and low WIMP masses
 - Clear contribution → we are the only authors of presented analyses, authors of entire text and all plots shown in the paper
 - Results shown also at >15 international conferences by PM or K. Frankiewicz

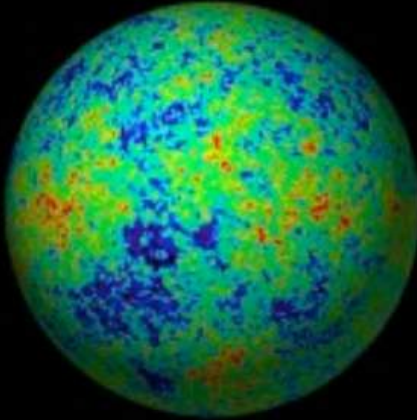
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COMPARISON WITH OTHER INDIRECT SEARCHES

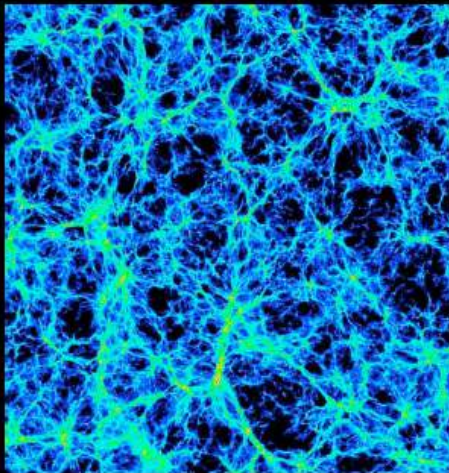
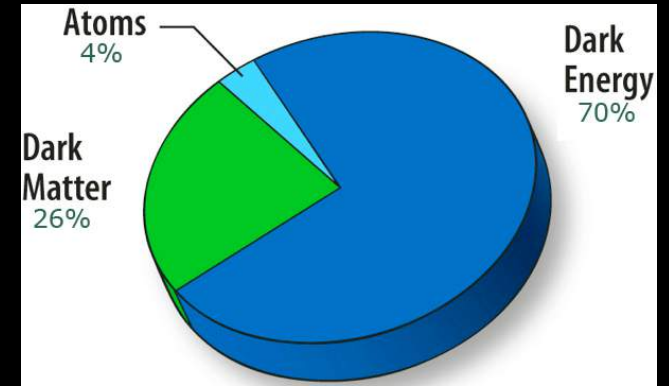


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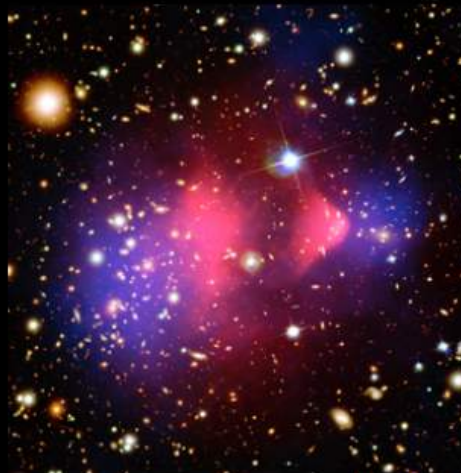
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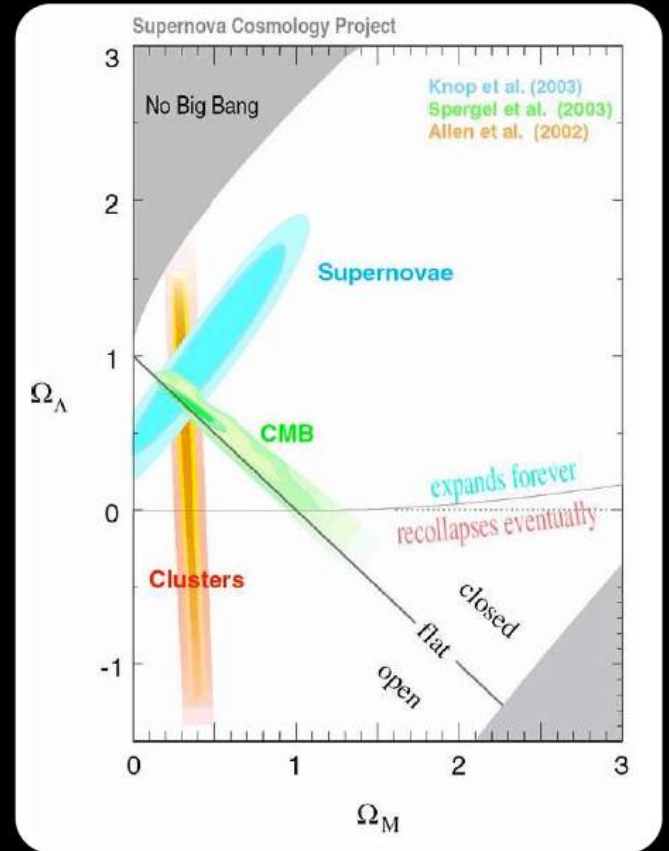
Supernova



Structure



Lensing



Dark Matter Candidates

Well motivated:

- ~~neutrino~~ – ‘hot’ DM
- WIMP
- neutralino χ
- gravitino \tilde{G}
- axion a
- axino \tilde{a}

still main candidate

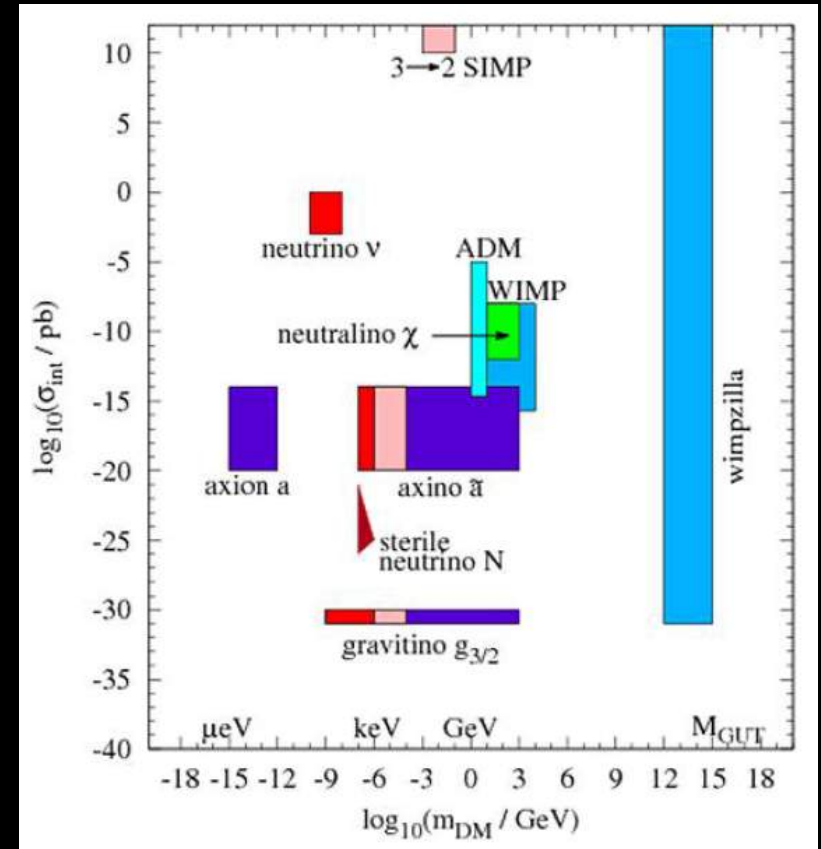
WIMP (Weakly Interacting Massive Particle)

- neutral
- long lifetime
- massive (GeV - TeV)
- weakly interacting with matter

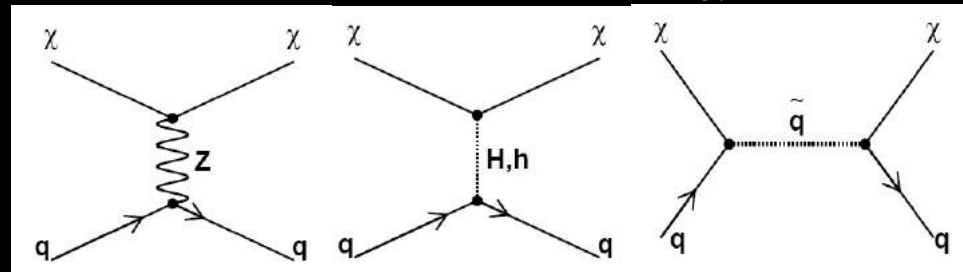
Good WIMP candidate from SUSY \rightarrow LSP

neutralino χ

$$\tilde{\chi} = a_1 \tilde{\gamma} + a_2 \tilde{Z} + a_3 \tilde{H}_1 + a_4 \tilde{H}_2$$



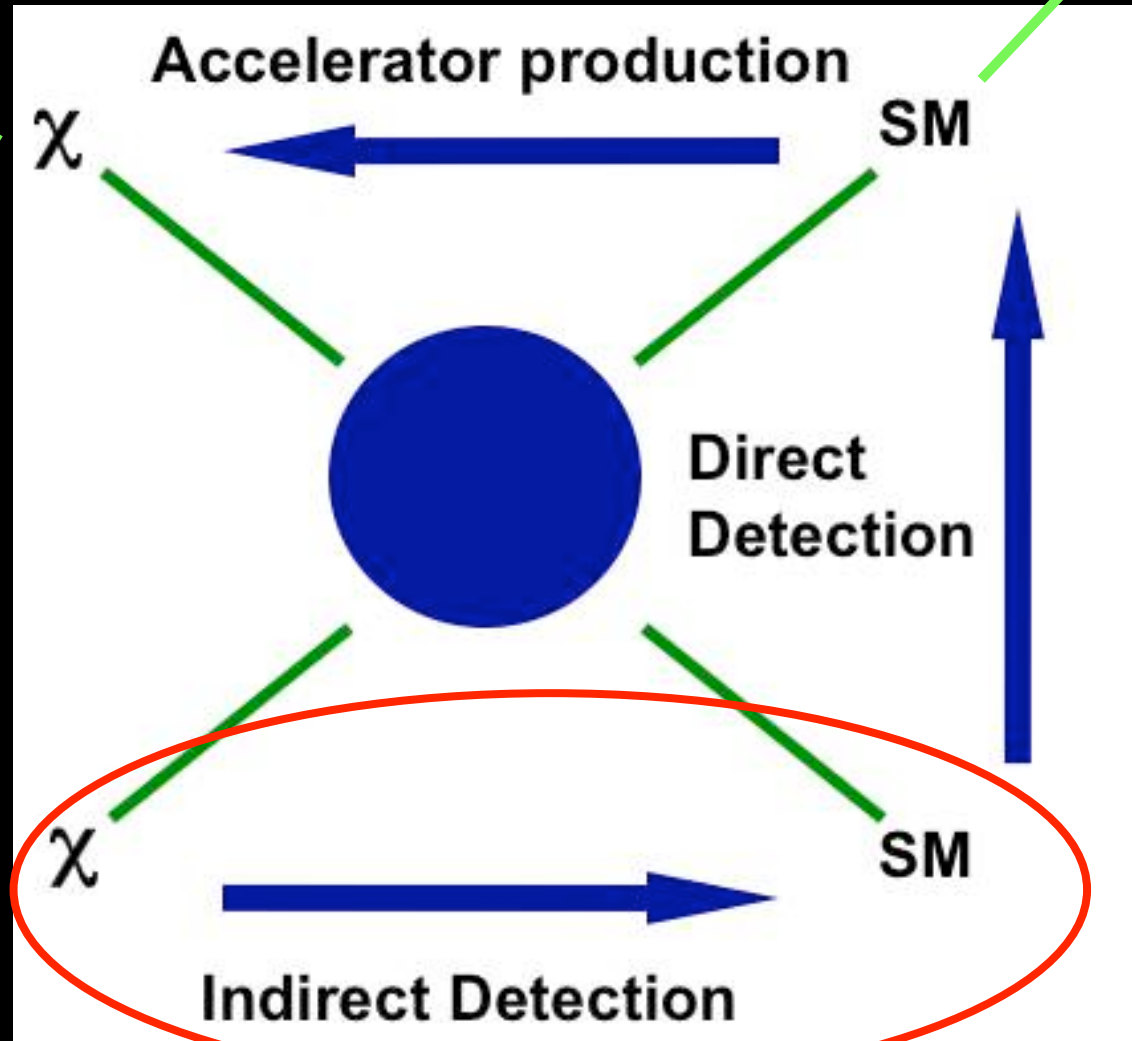
Example interactions of neutralino χ



WIMP searches

SM: Standard Model particle

χ : Dark Matter particle



Concept of indirect DM searches

» Indirect search = search for annihilation (or decay) products of **DM**

» PHOTONS

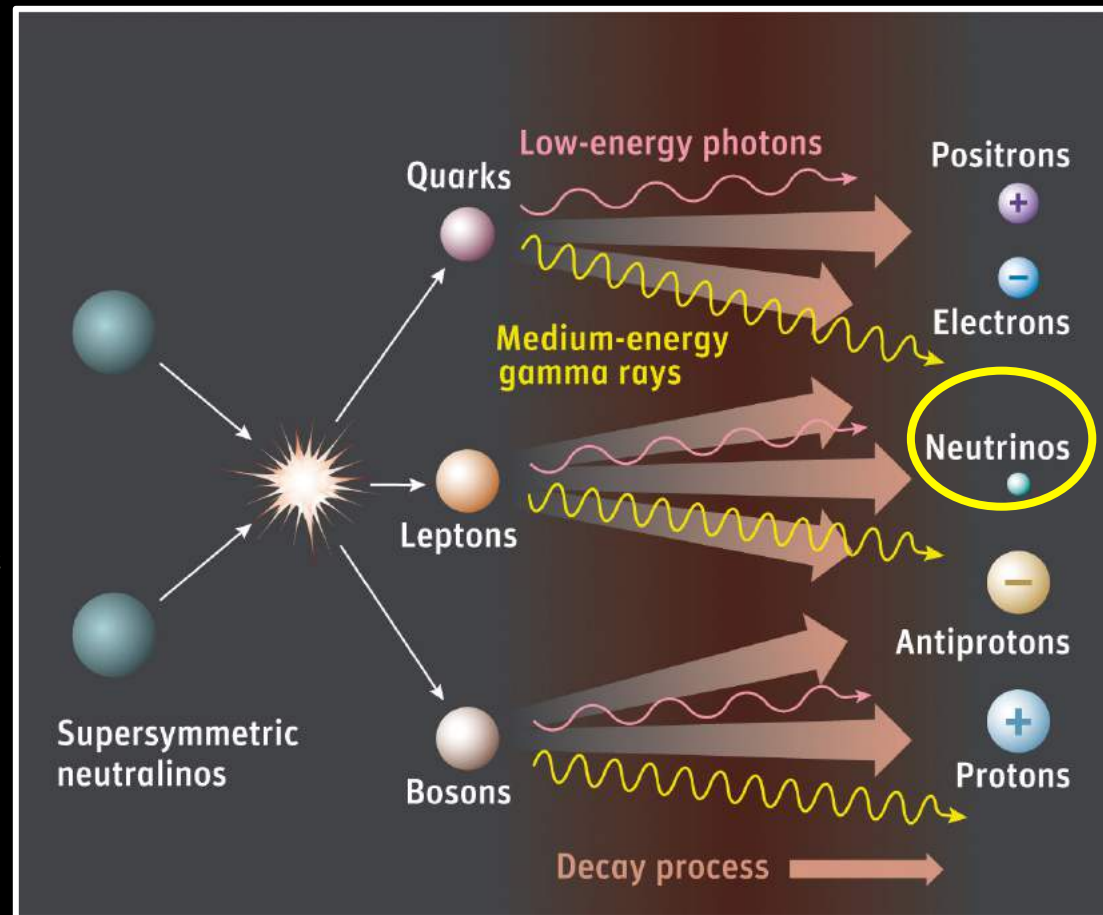
produced in most DM annihilation modes in π^0 decays,
E spectra not attenuated over galactic scales,

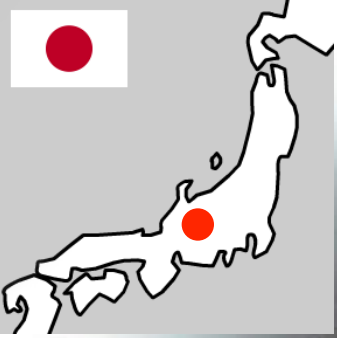
» ANTIMATTER

satellite or balloon-borne experiments, probe few kpc distances

» NEUTRINOS

excellent information on source (its direction, energy)
reach from dense regions like Sun, Galactic Center, core of Earth





Super-Kamiokande

@ Kamioka Observatory (ICRR, University of Tokyo), Japan



located 1km underground

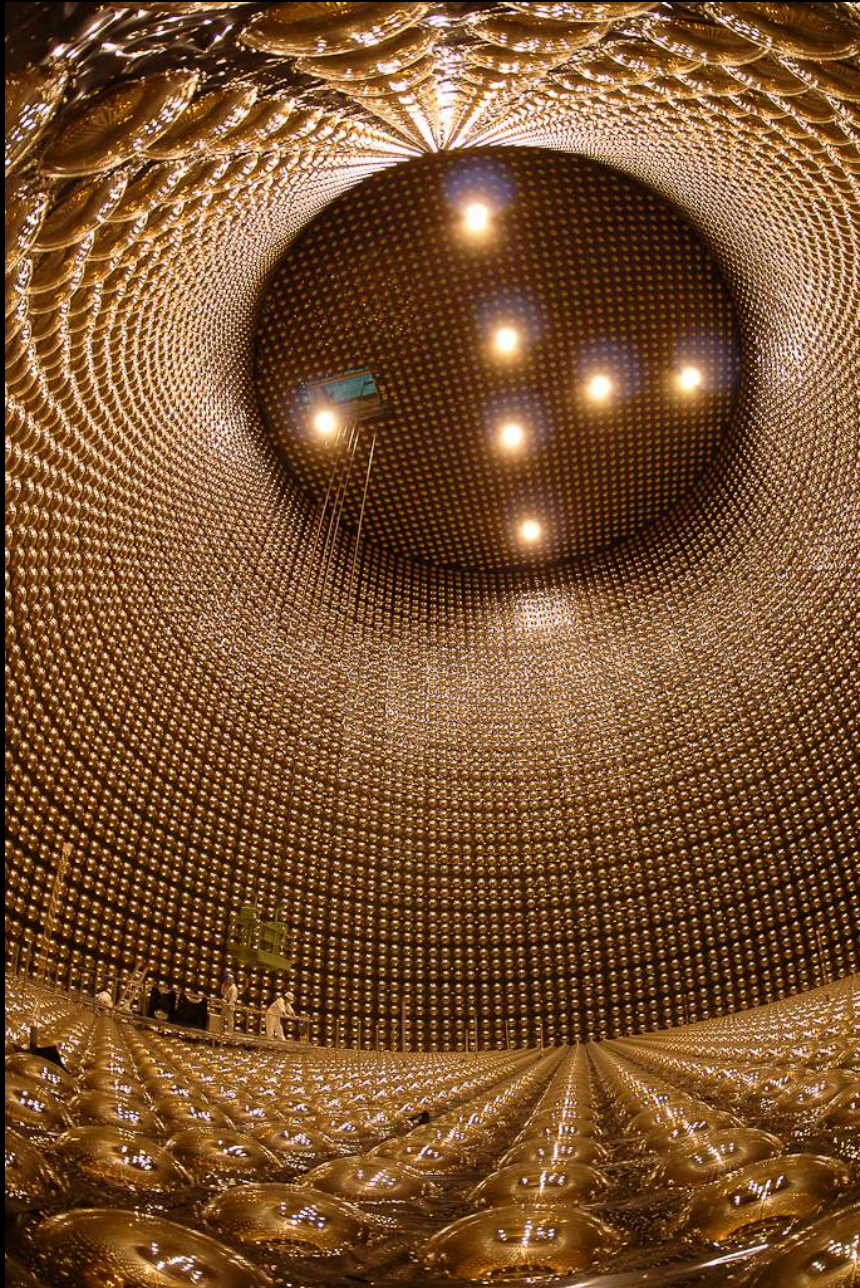
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photomultipliers (PMTs) detect Cherenkov light

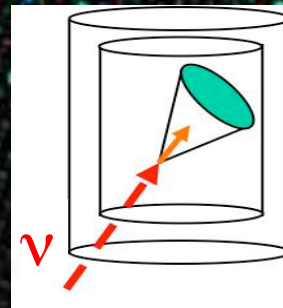
- 50 kton of pure water (22.5 kton FV)
- inner (ID) & outer/veto (OD) detection regions
- SK runs from 1996
- measures solar, atmospheric, cosmic & accelerator neutrinos
- T.Kajita → Nobel Prize 2015





Detected Cherenkov light allows for reconstruction of:

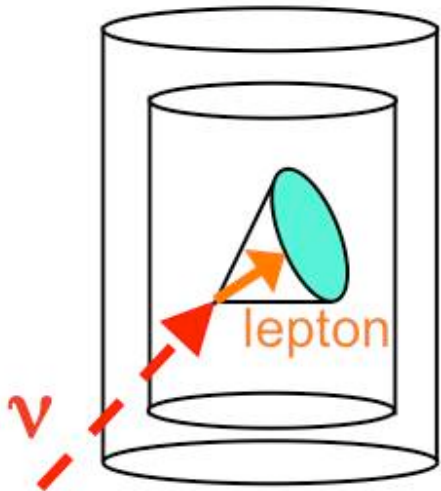
- lepton momentum (neutrino energy)
- lepton direction
- lepton flavor (e-like vs. μ -like, good separation possible)



Super-K data samples

Fully-contained

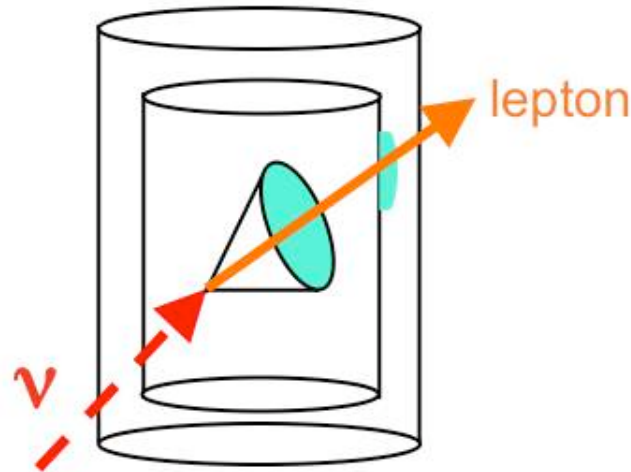
FC



- » ν energy reconstruction
- » ν direction info
- » e/μ identification possible

Partially-contained

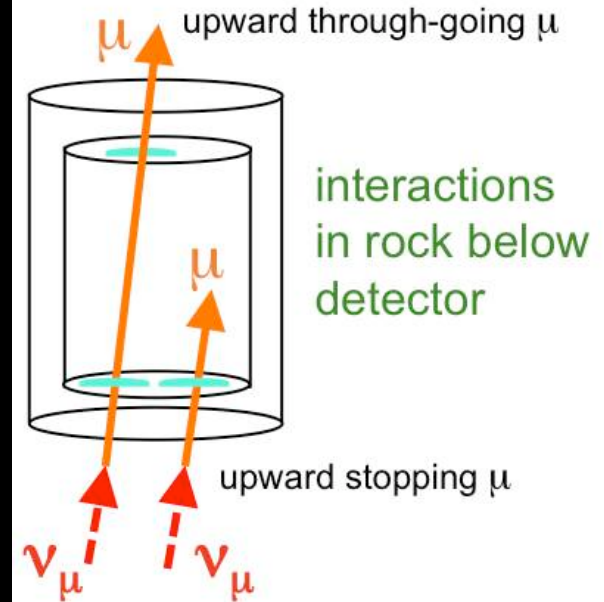
PC



- » partial E_ν info (lepton leaves detector)
- » ν direction info

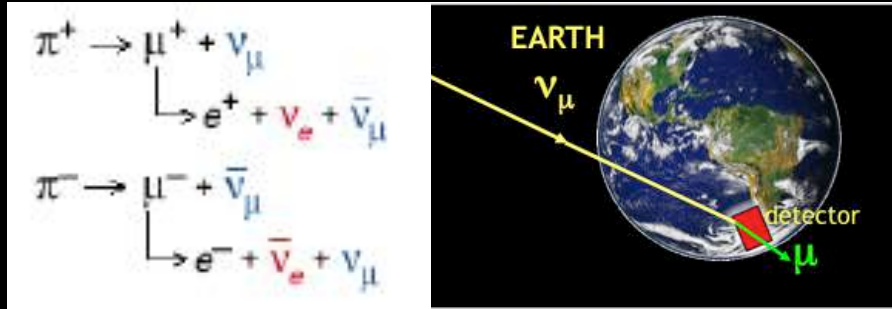
Upward-going muons

UPMU

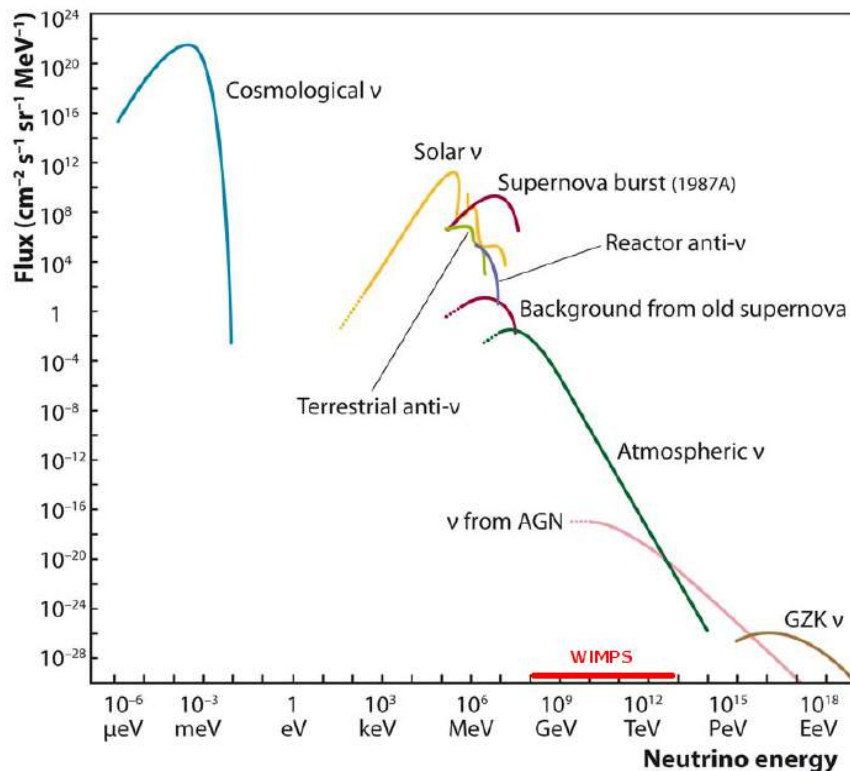
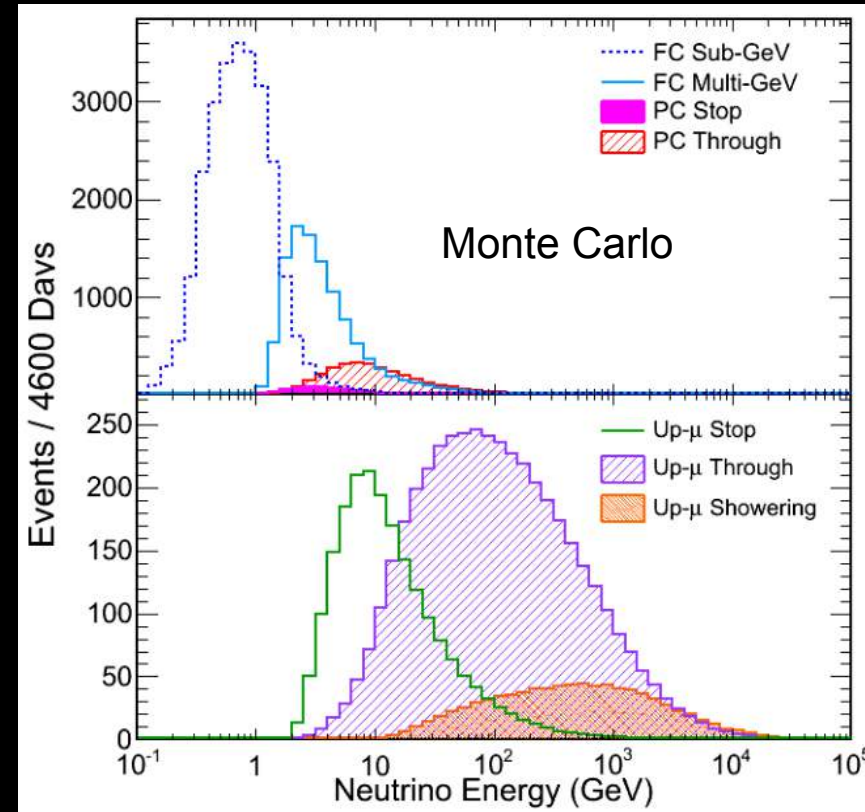


- » no E_ν info
- » excellent ν direction info
- » downward-going muons are neglected (mainly cosmic ray μ)

Atmospheric neutrinos: main background in DM-induced ν searches

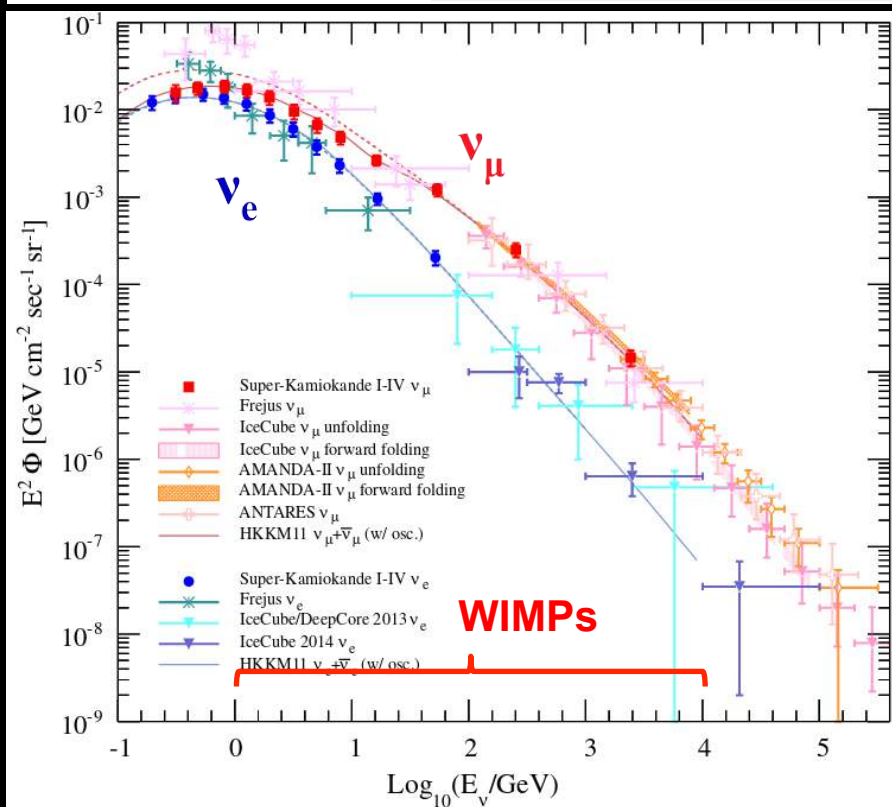
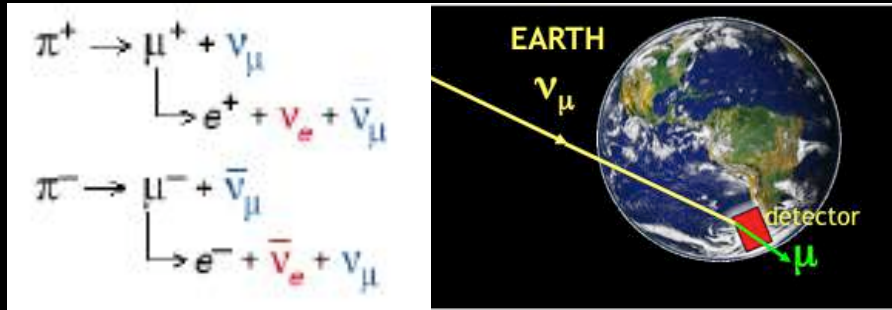


atmospheric neutrinos at SK

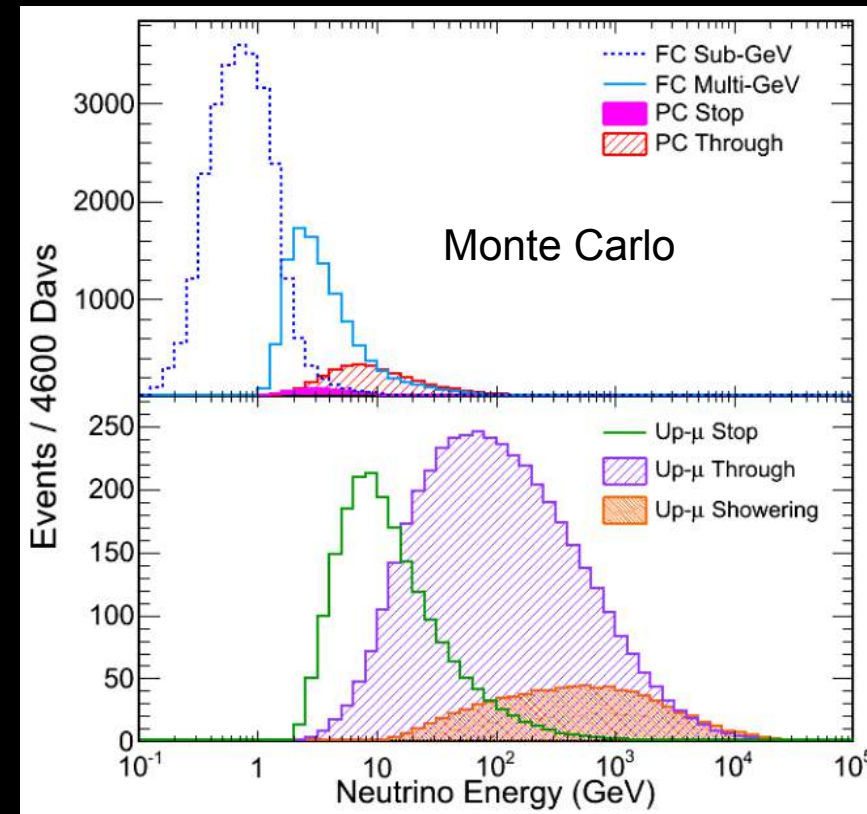


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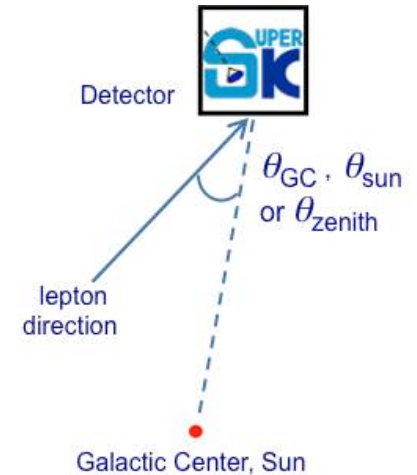
DM searches at Super-K using a fit method

- Search for excess of neutrinos from **Earth/Sun/Milky Way**

- FIT:** for each tested WIMP mass & ann. mode, find

configuration of **ATM ν** + **DM signal** that would match DATA the best using reconstructed angular & momentum distributions

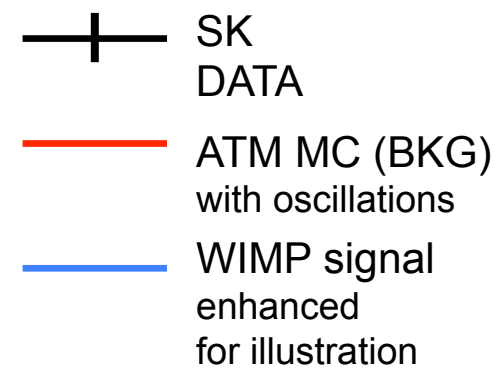
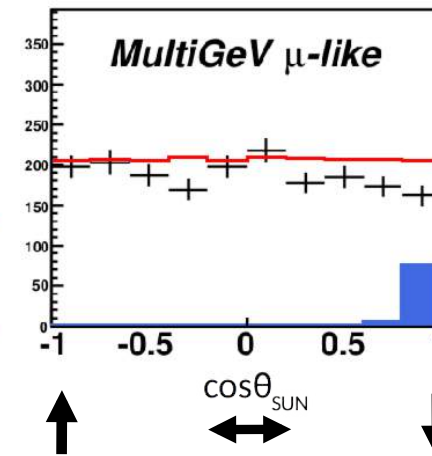
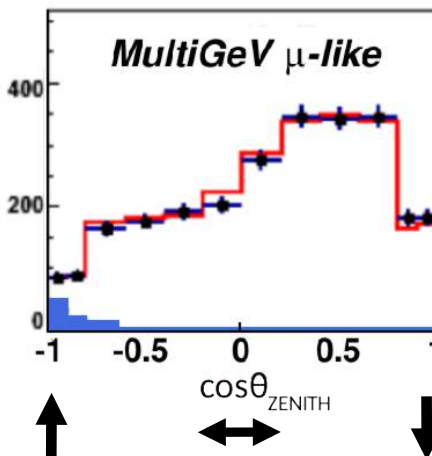
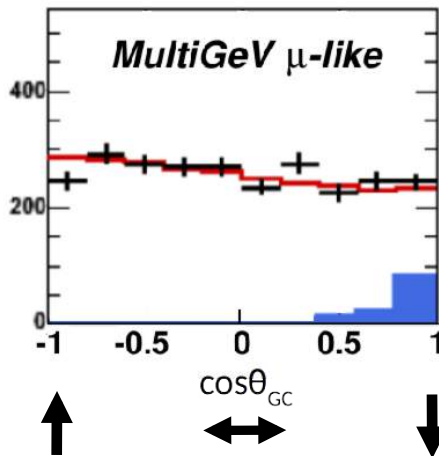
$$\chi\chi \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}, W^+W^-, b\bar{b}, \mu^+\mu^- \rightarrow \dots \nu_{e/\mu/\tau}$$



Galactic WIMP search

Earth WIMP search

Solar WIMP search
point-like source



- In these coordinate systems signal is easy to distinguish from atmospheric neutrino background

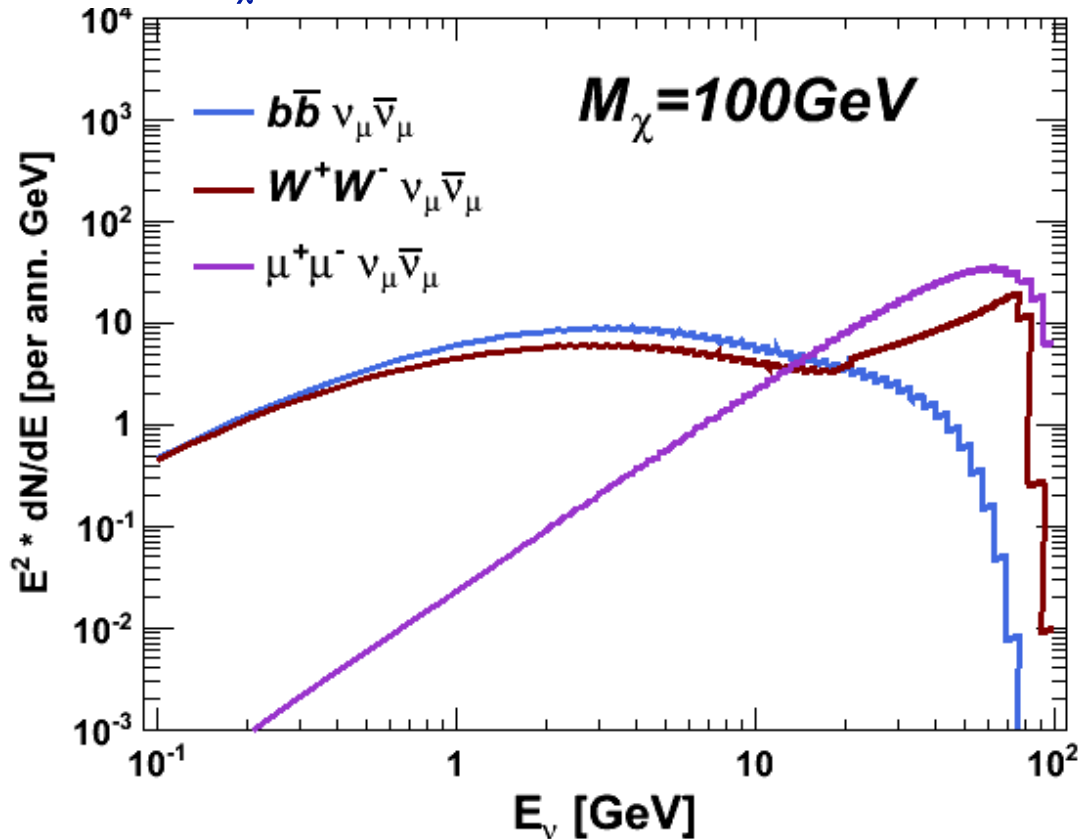
Galactic WIMP search: signal simulation

Simulate DM signal before detection
→ DarkSUSY & WimpSim

P. Gondolo et al., JCAP 07, 008 (2004)
M. Blennow et al., arXiv: 0709.3898 (2008)

EXAMPLE: Galactic WIMP search

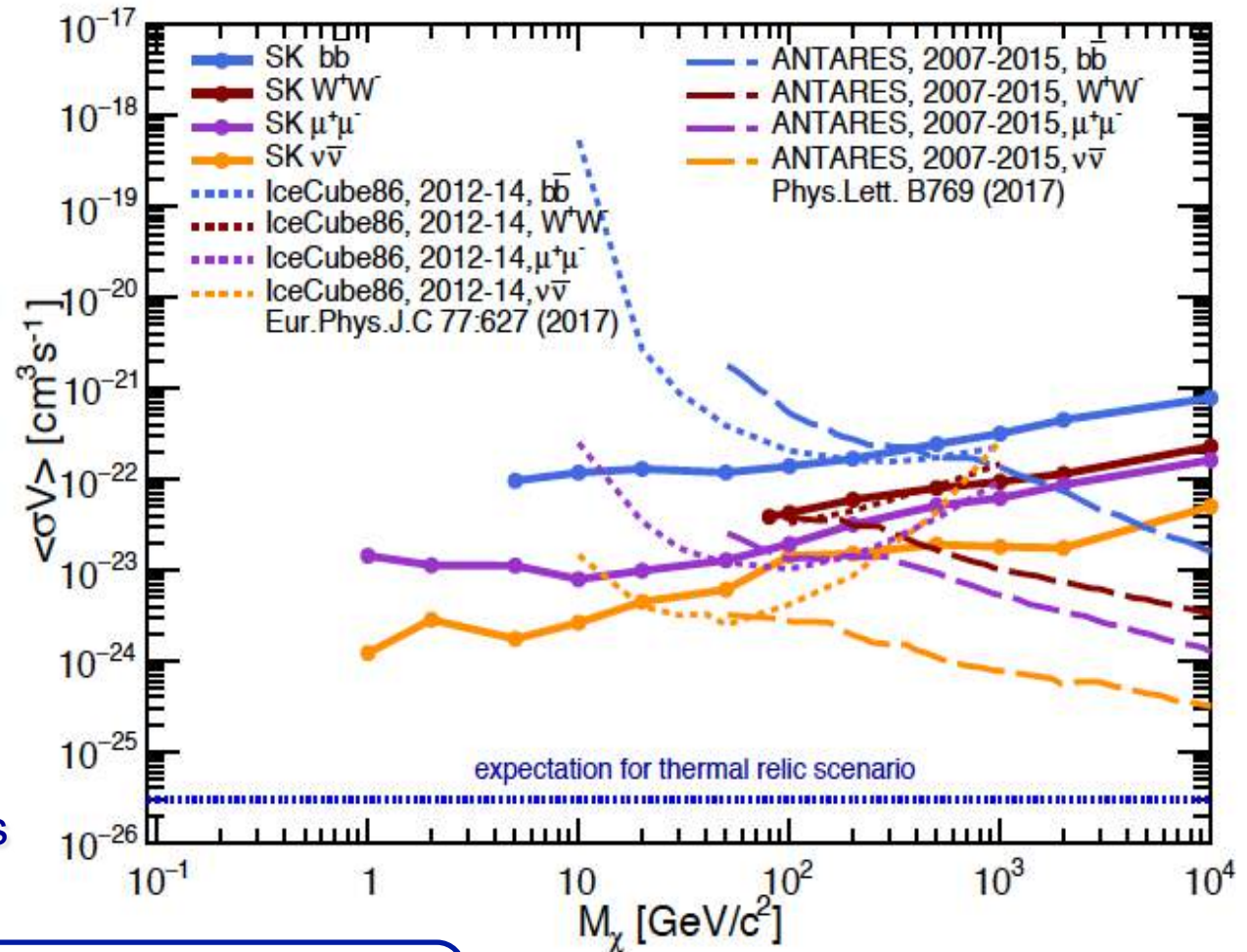
differential $\nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_\mu$ energy spectra per DM annihilation for
 $M_\chi = 100$ GeV (oscillated throughout Galaxy)



Galactic WIMP search: DM self-annihilation cross section

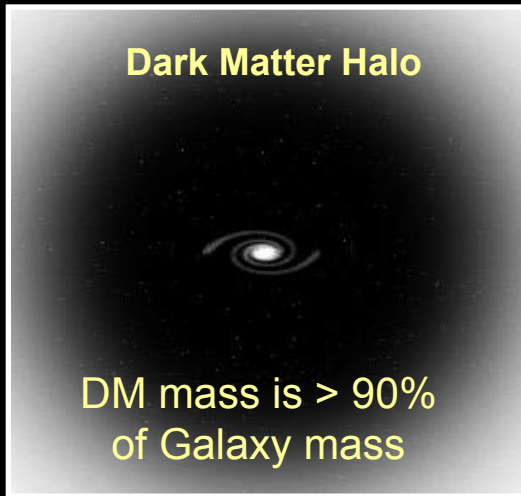
- FIT based on lepton mom. & $\cos\theta_{GC}$ distributions, 5326-5629 live-days, 1996-2016
- NFW halo model assumed
- Fit results are consistent with null WIMP contribution
- 90% CL upper limit on DM self-annihilation cross section $\langle\sigma_A V\rangle$

90% CL upper limit

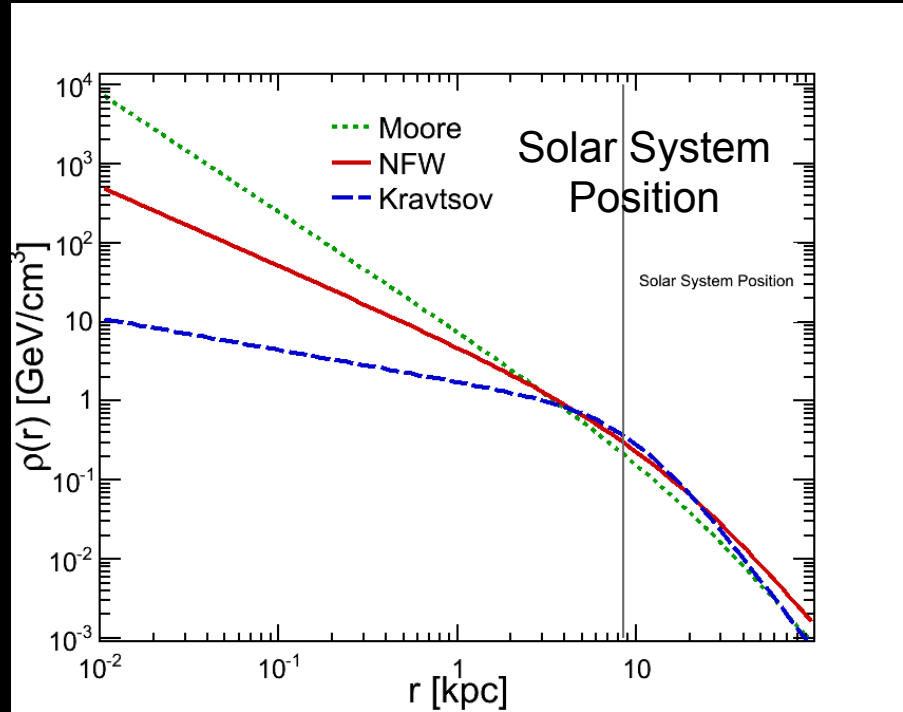


$$\frac{d\phi_{\Delta\Omega}}{dE} = \frac{\langle\sigma_A \cdot V\rangle}{2} J_{\Delta\Omega} \frac{R_{sc}\rho_{sc}^2}{4\pi \cdot M_\chi^2} \frac{dN}{dE}$$

HALO MODELS



- **NFW** is our benchmark model
- Moore/Kravtsov: extreme cases

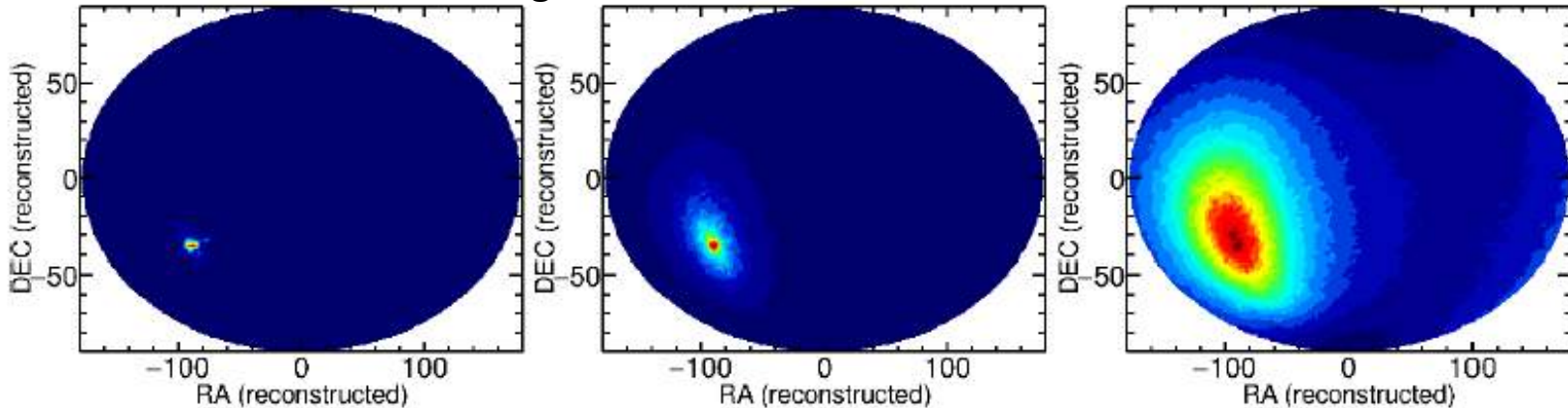


Moore

NFW

Kravtsov

simulated angular distributions of DM-induced neutrinos



KM3NeT

