

Stars and Dark Matter

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From Einstein and Eddington to LIGO:
100 years of gravitational light deflection

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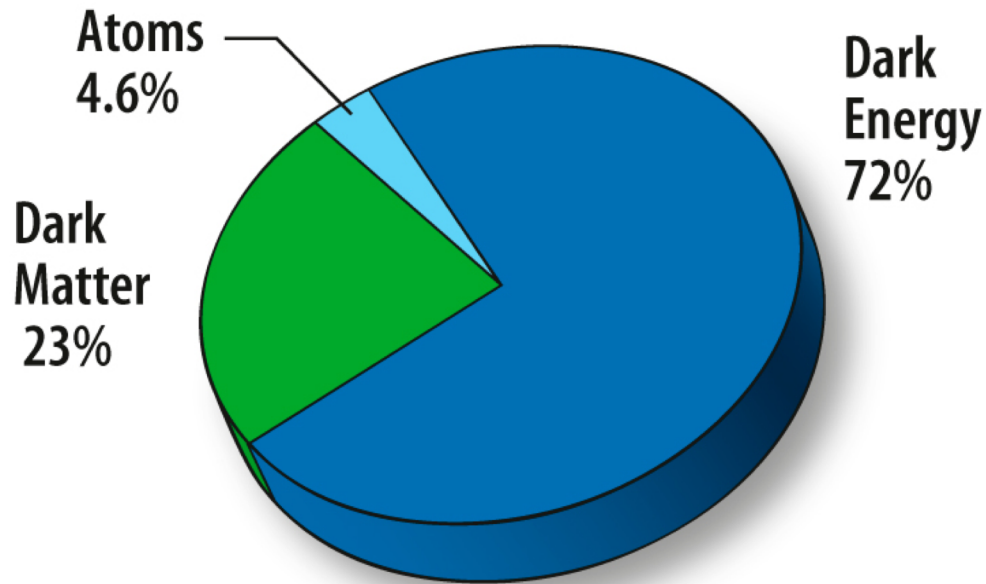
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- How Dark Matter affects Stars
 - Capture, annihilation and transport of energy.
- Dark Matter Constraints
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Dark Matter in the Universe



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Energy density



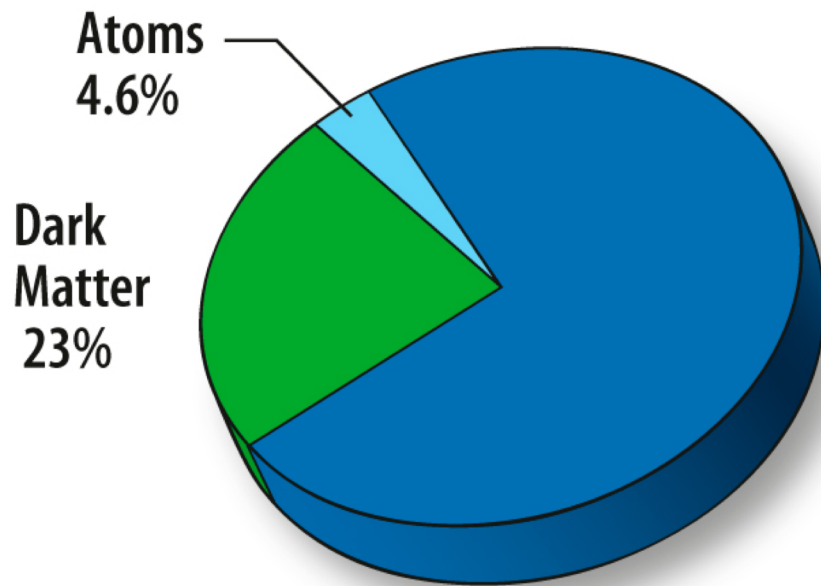
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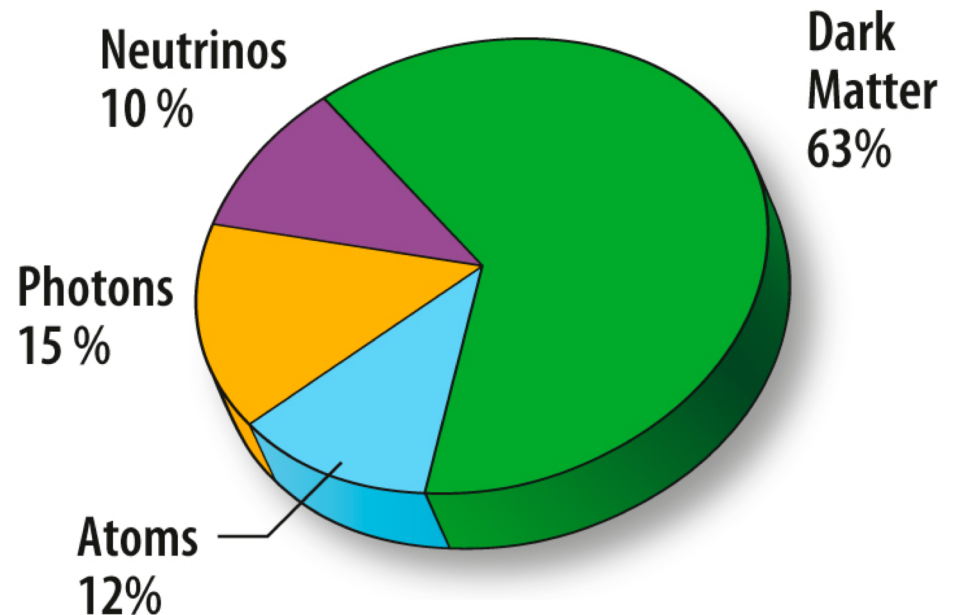
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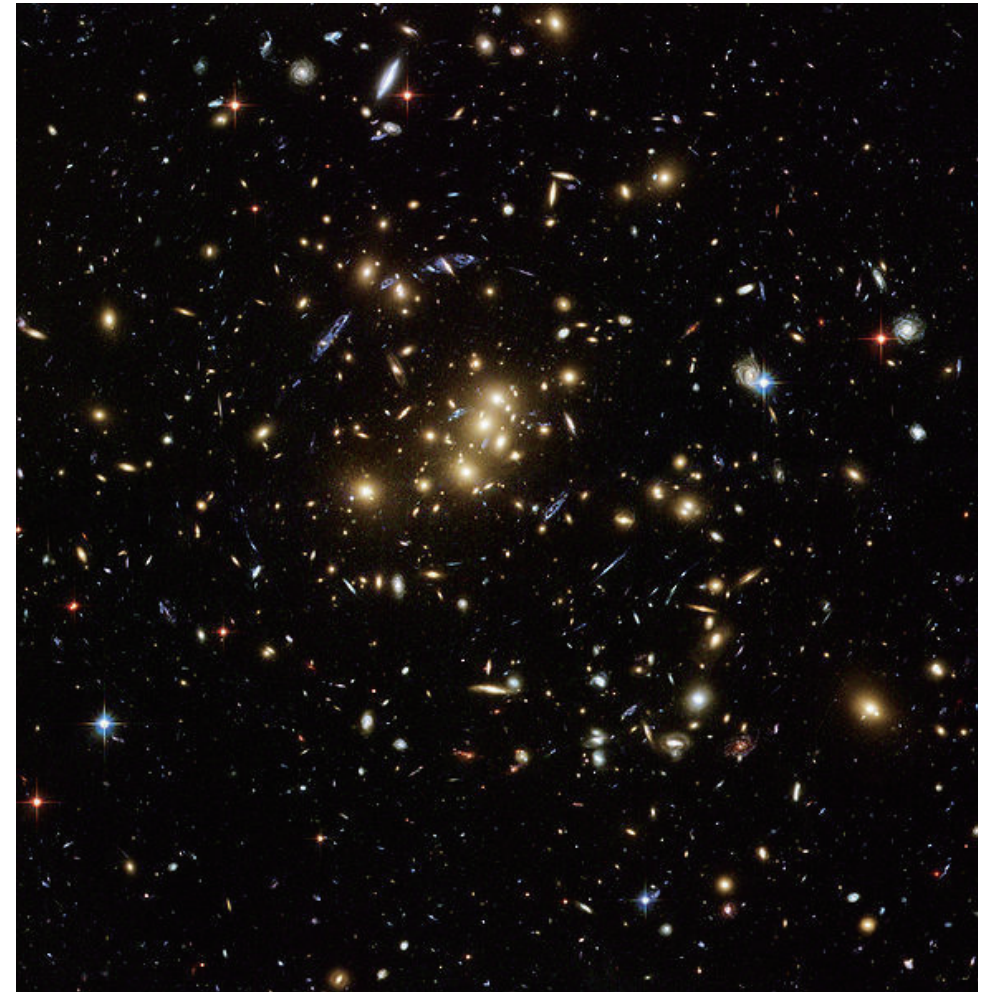
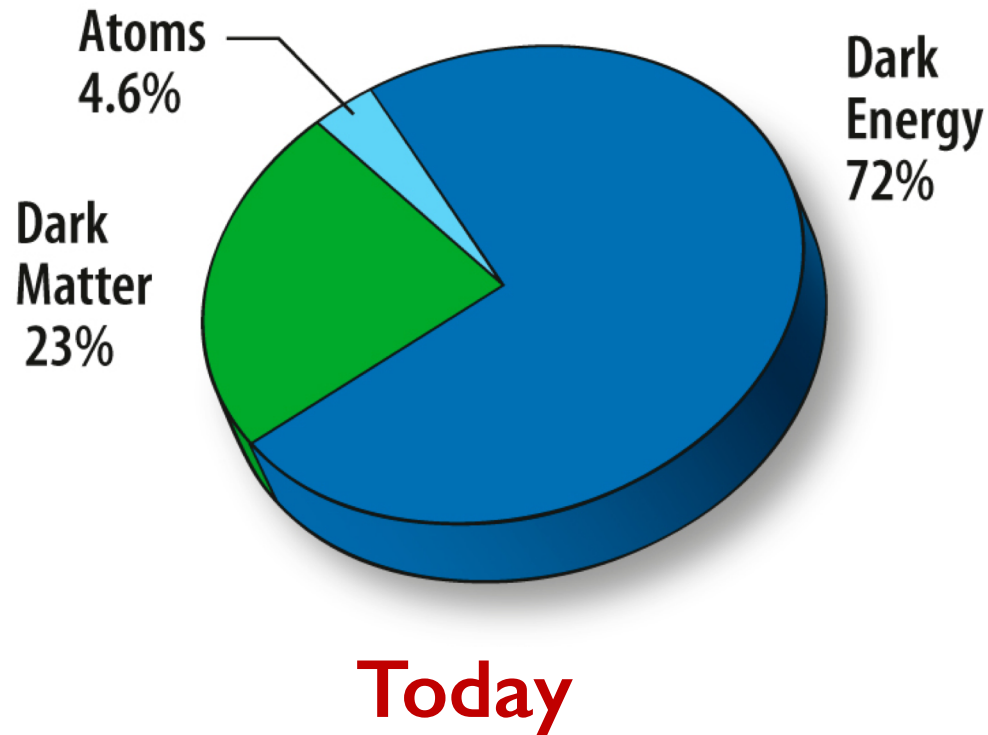
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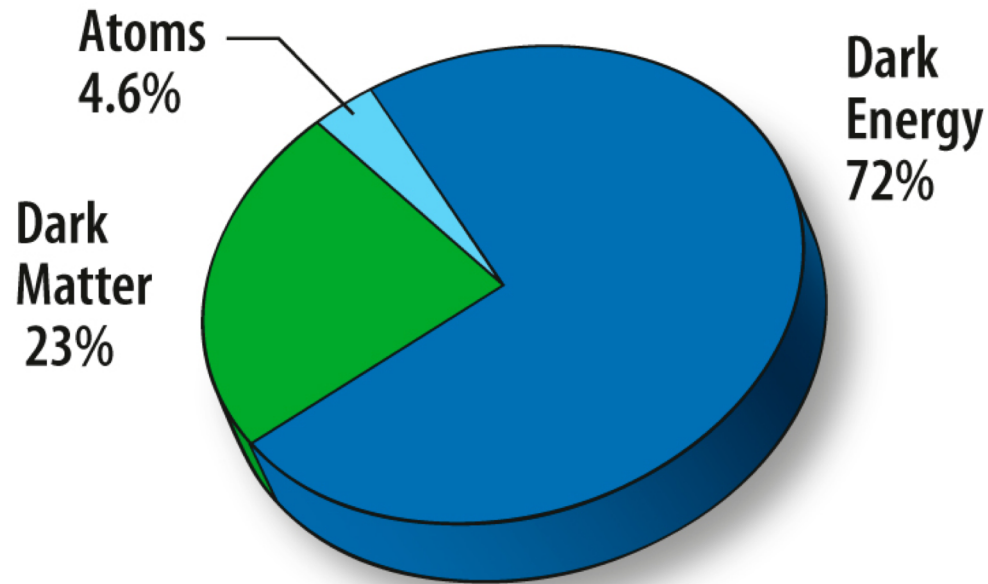
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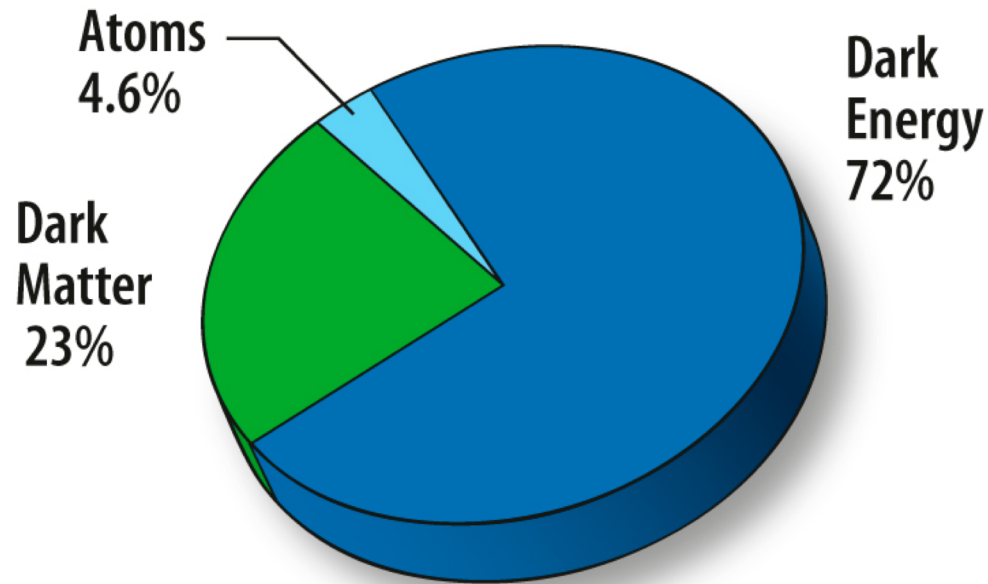
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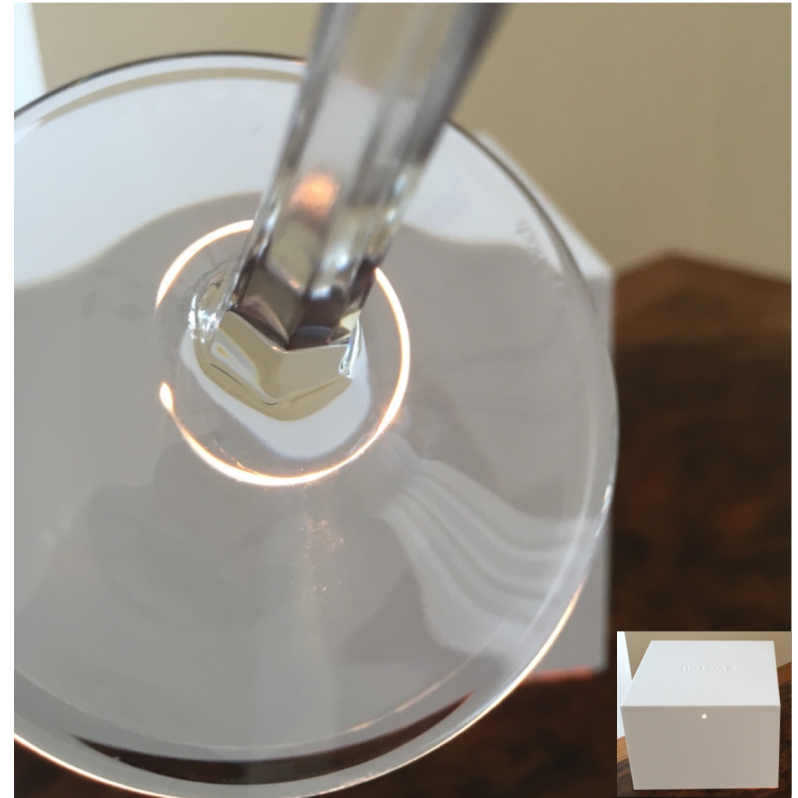


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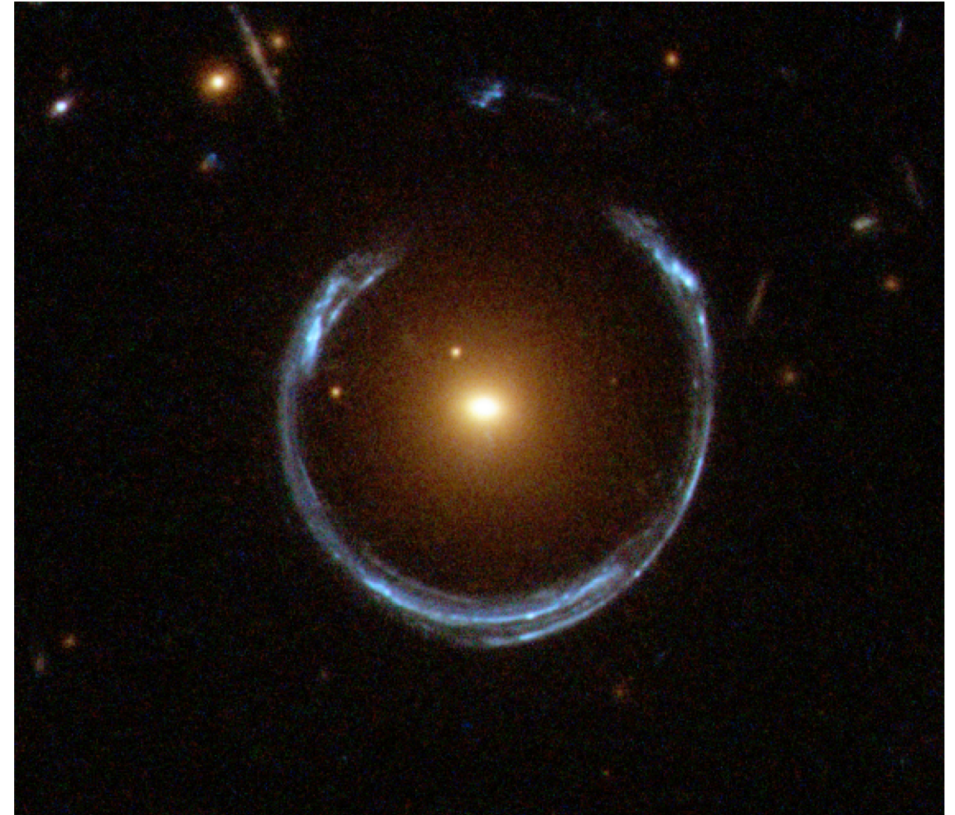
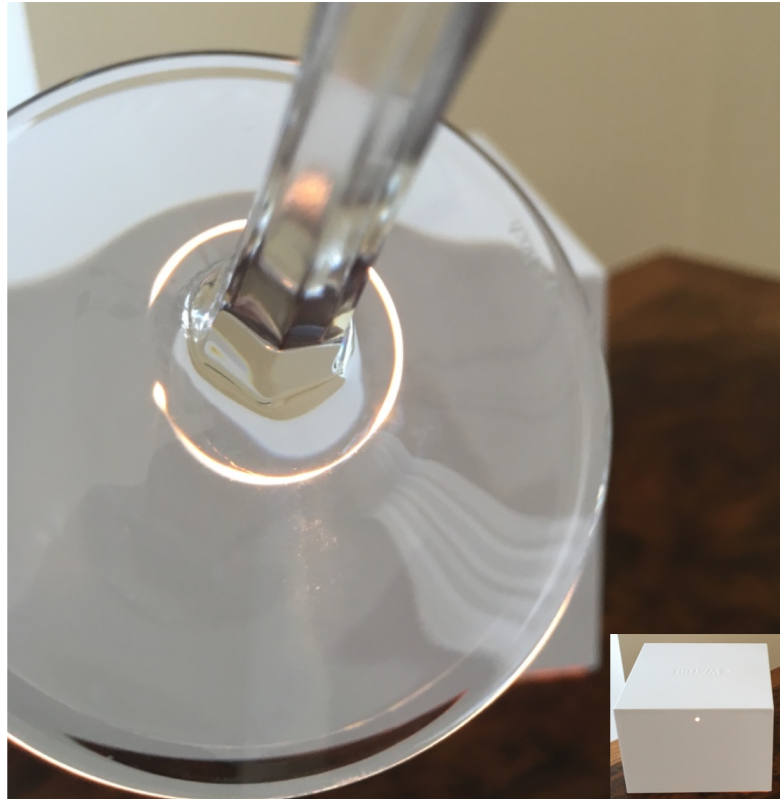


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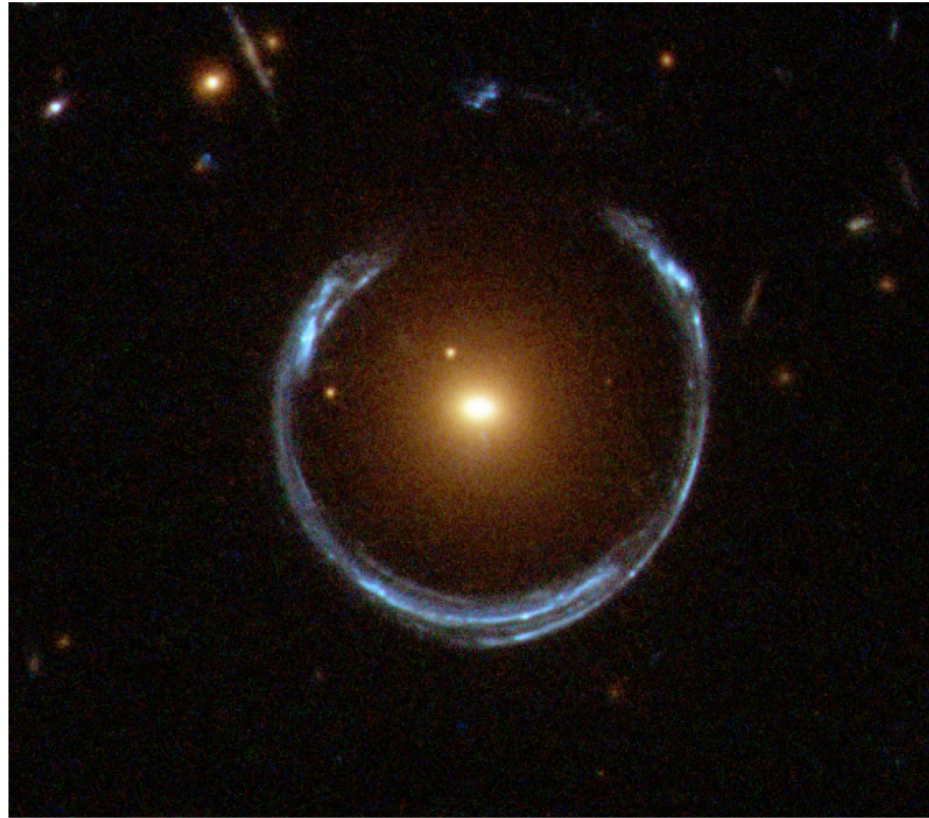
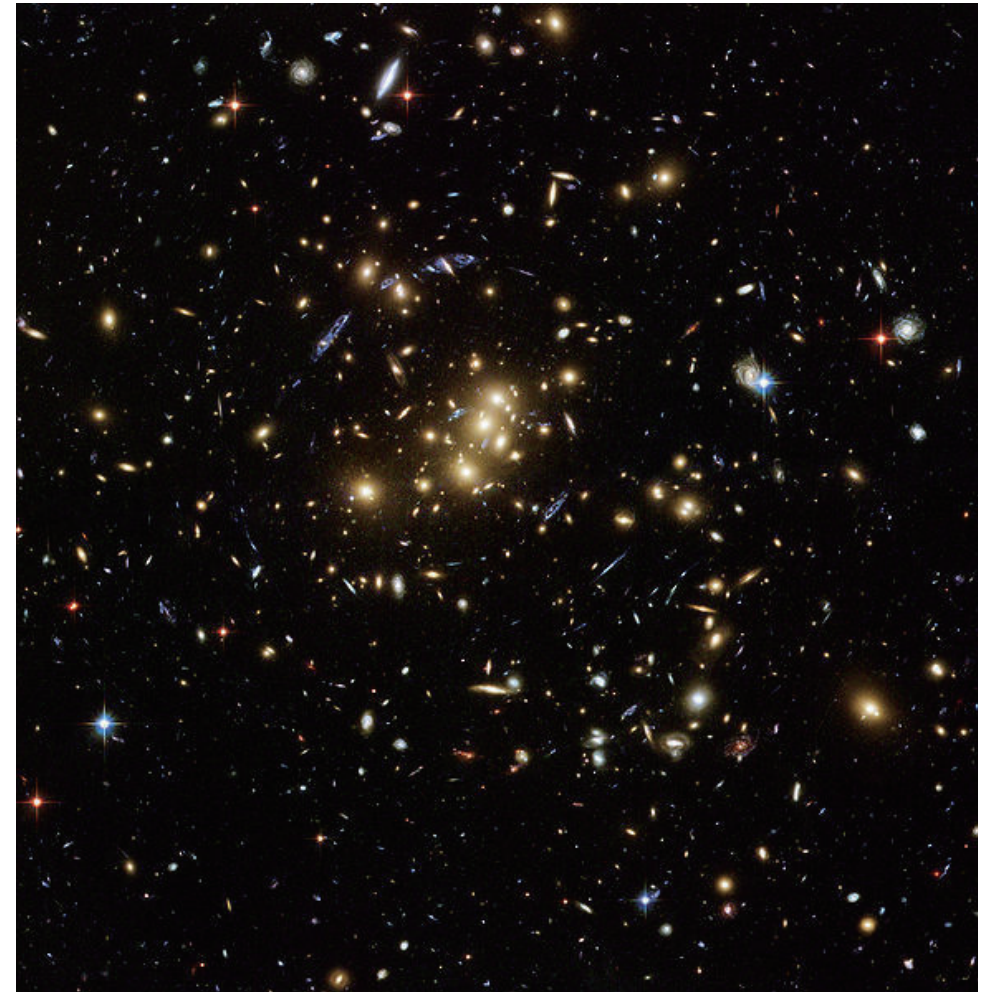
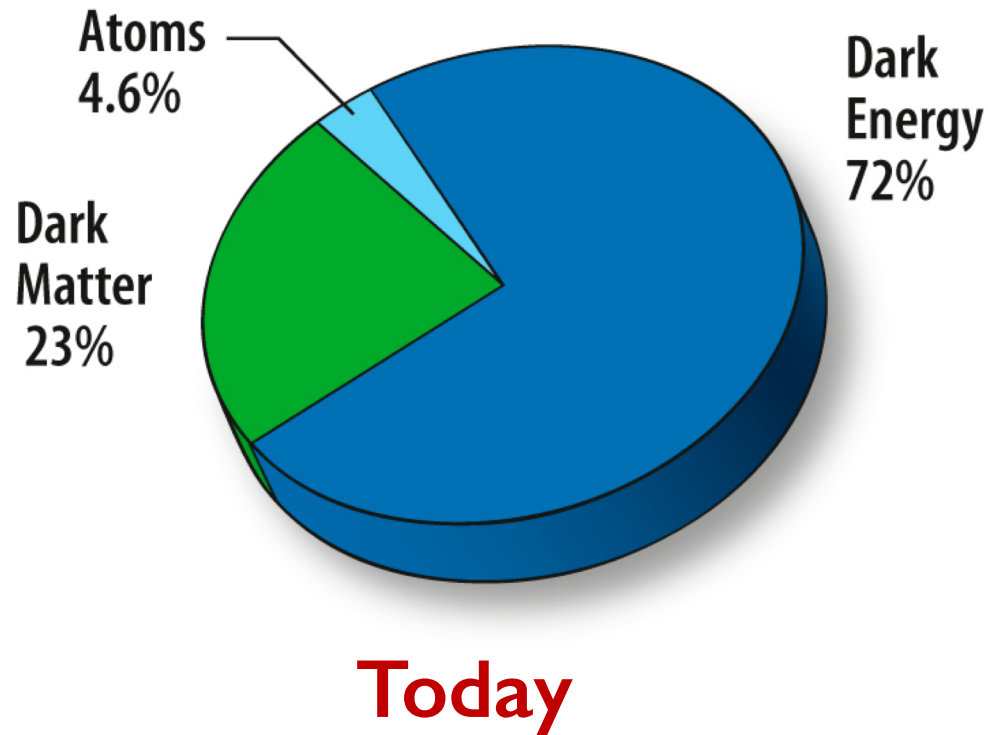


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What is the radial density profile of dark matter in this galaxy?

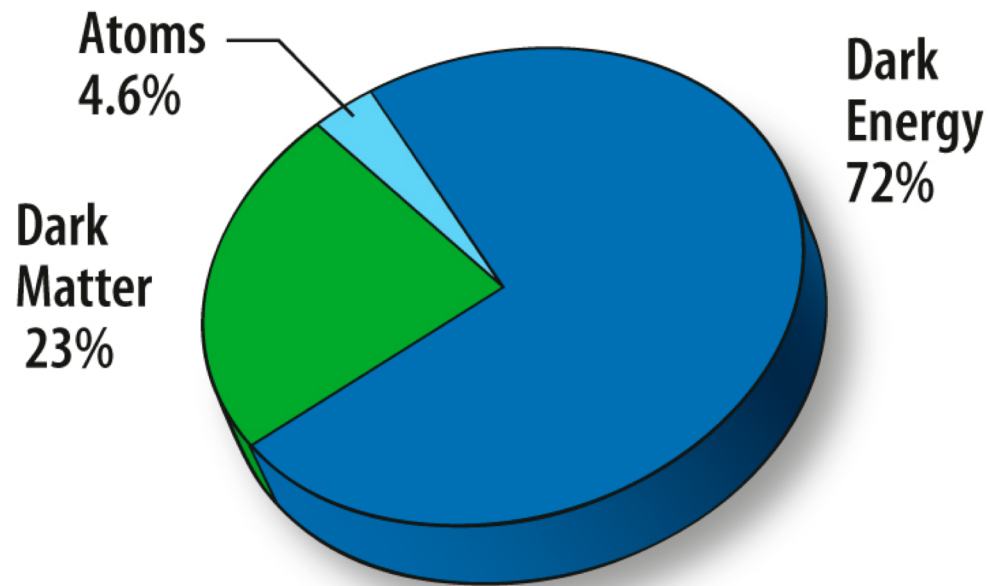
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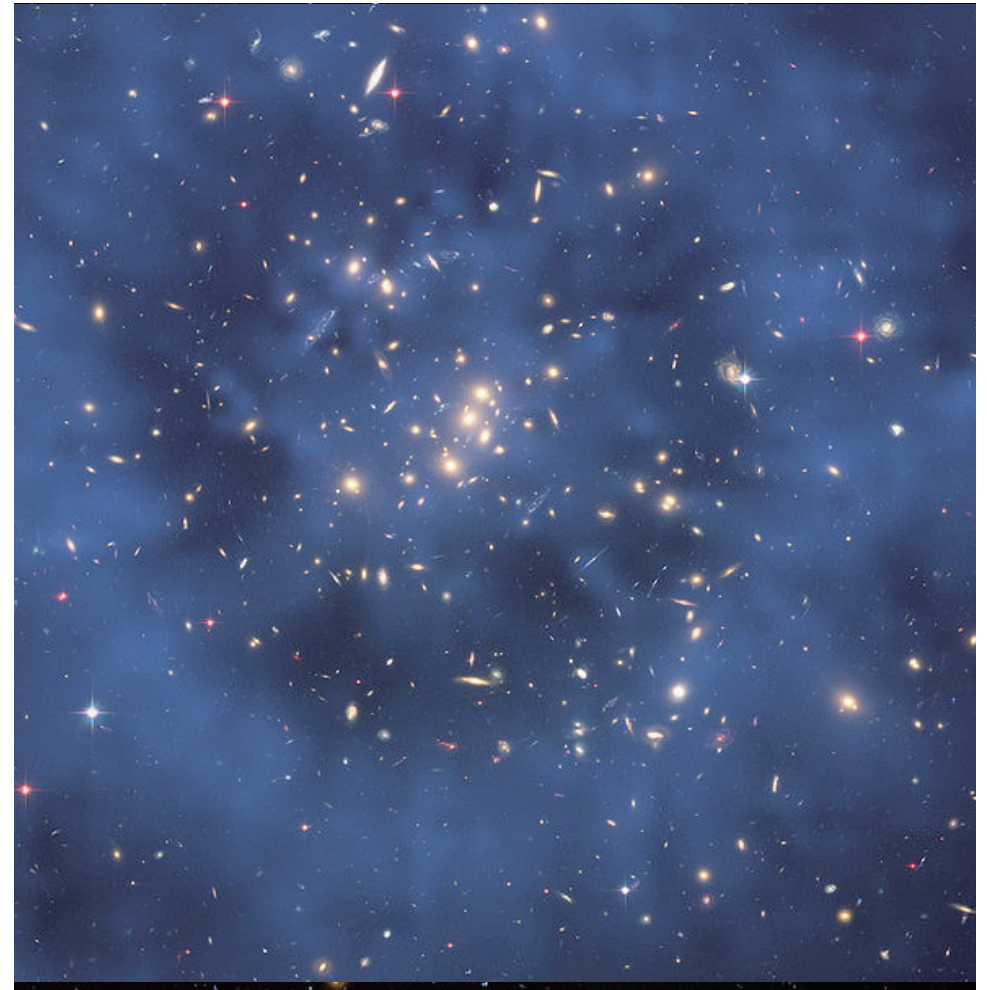
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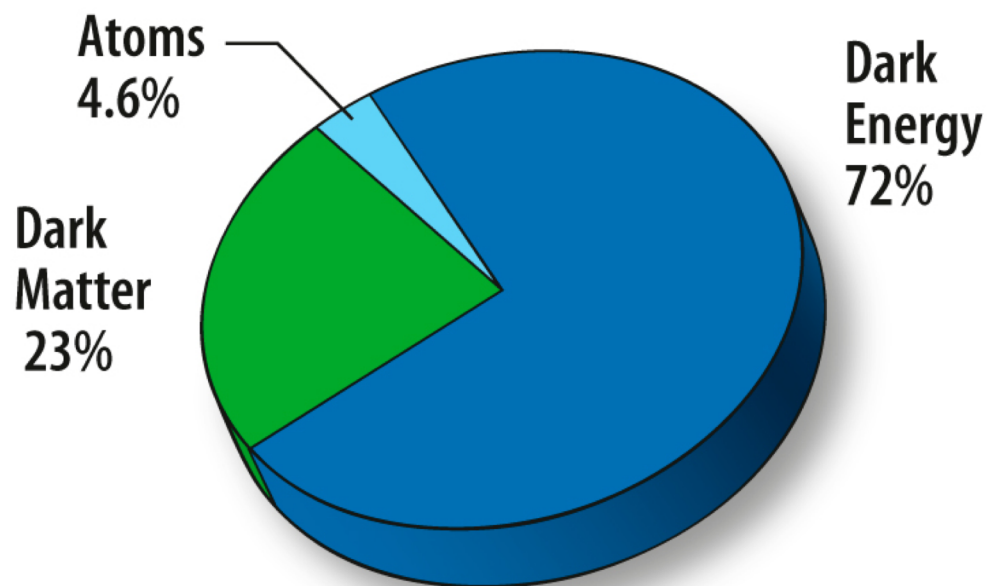
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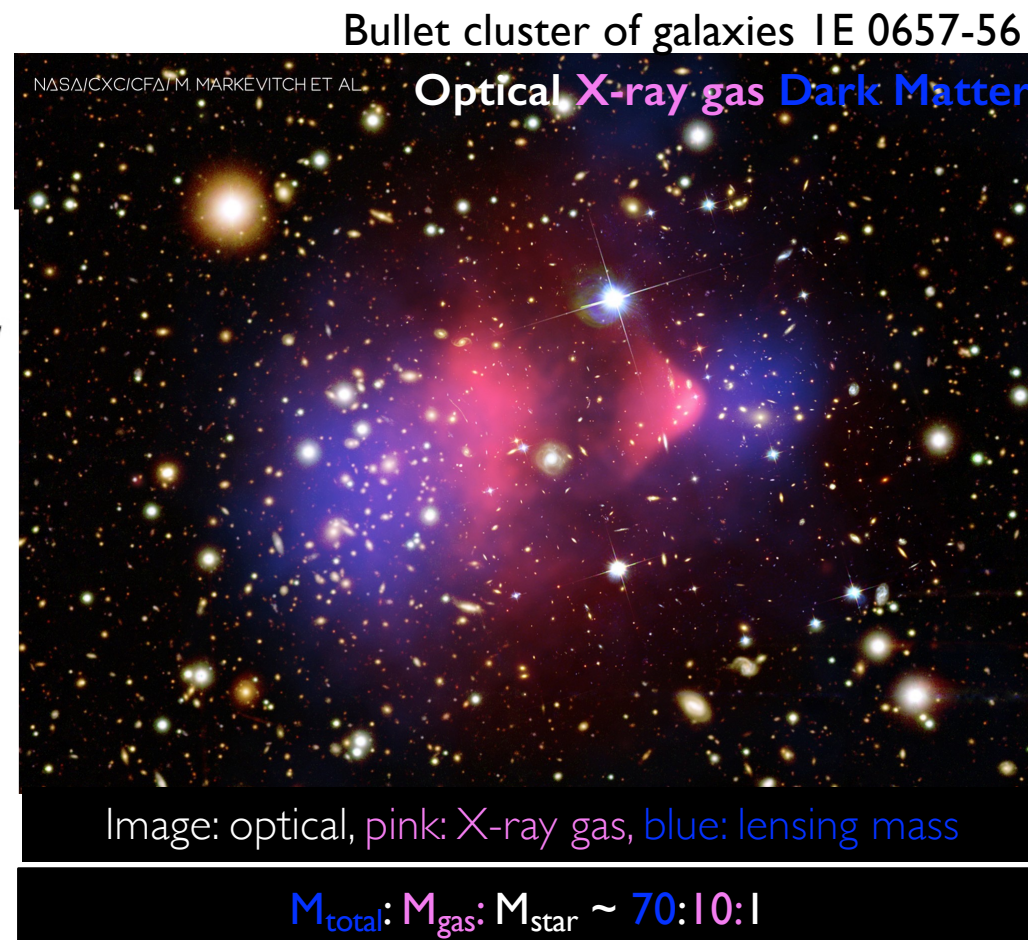
The gravity map super-imposed on the HST image which shows a dark matter distribution in the central region and a thick ring. CL0024+17 cluster of galaxies (HST, 2004): Gravitational lensing, the bending of light rays by gravity, can also give us a cluster's mass.

Observational Evidence: A strong evidence of dark matter is the HST image of the galaxy cluster CL0024+17 as shown in this Figure. Because of their mutual gravitational attraction, dark matter and visible material are generally expected to be together, however in this image the dark matter distribution does not match with that of the stars and hot gas.

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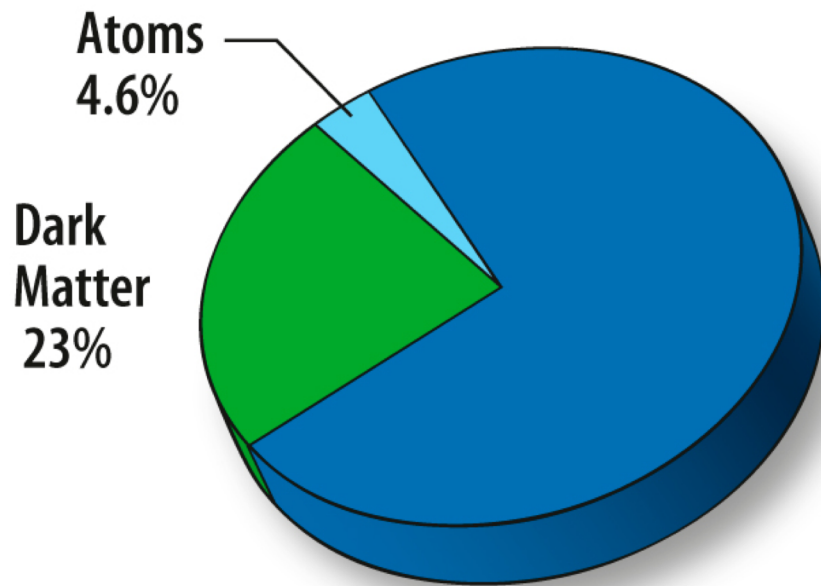
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Clowe, Gonzalez & Markevitch ApJ 2004
+ 72 bullet clusters by Harvey et al. Science 2015

Observational Evidence: This image of the bullet cluster is a composite of optical (HST: white), X-ray (Chandra X-ray Observatory: pink), and a reconstructed mass map (lensing mass: blue). It shows that the total mass of the system (galaxies + dark matter) is not where is the X-ray gas. This fixes a lower limit for dark matter self-interaction cross-section: $\sigma_{\text{xx}}/m_{\chi} < 8.3 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2/\text{GeV}$ at 95% CL.

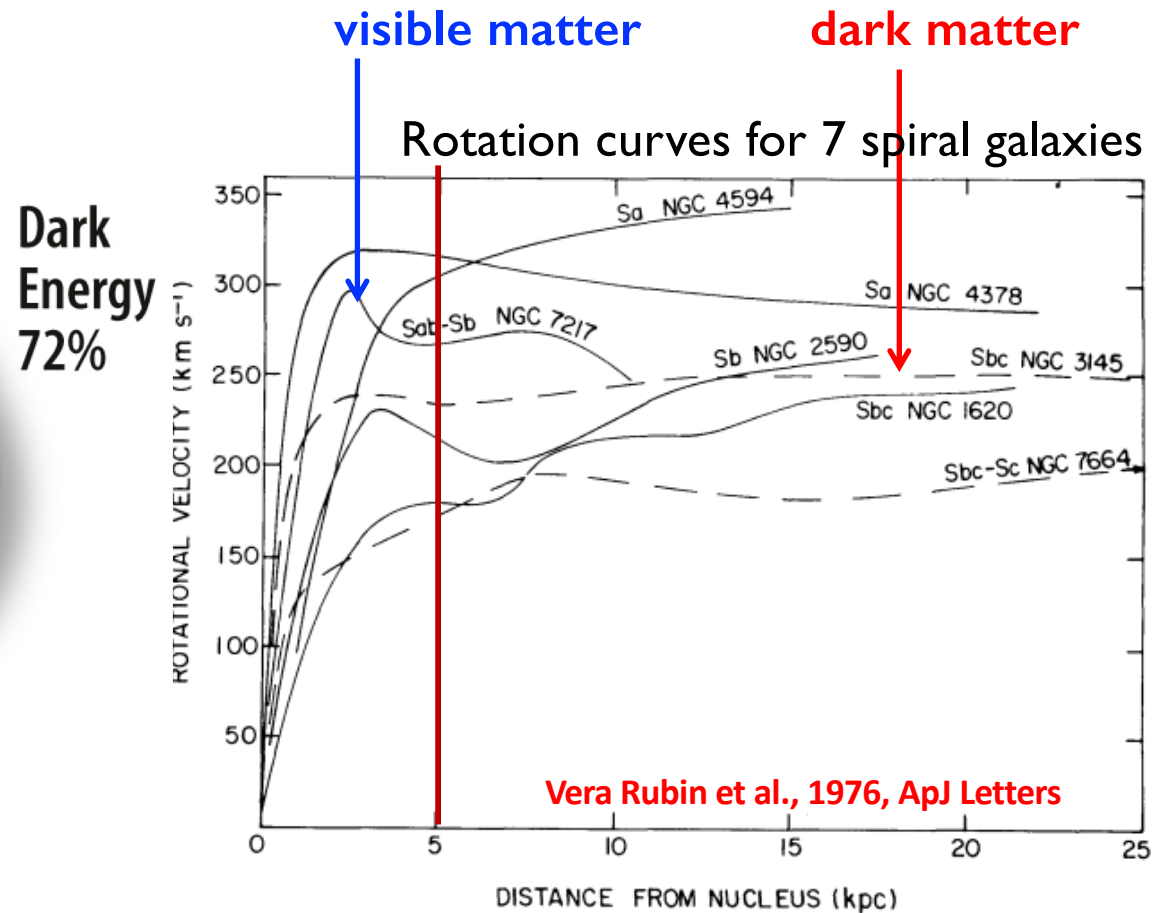
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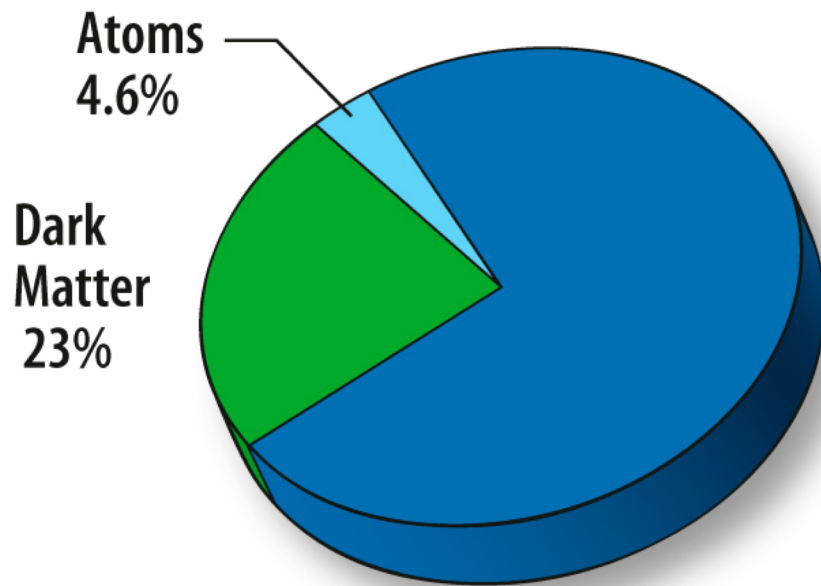
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Observational Evidence: Galaxy Rotation Curves - dark matter exists within the galaxies themselves, where the velocity of stars (and gas) was found to be flat and not decreasing with the distance from the galaxy centre.



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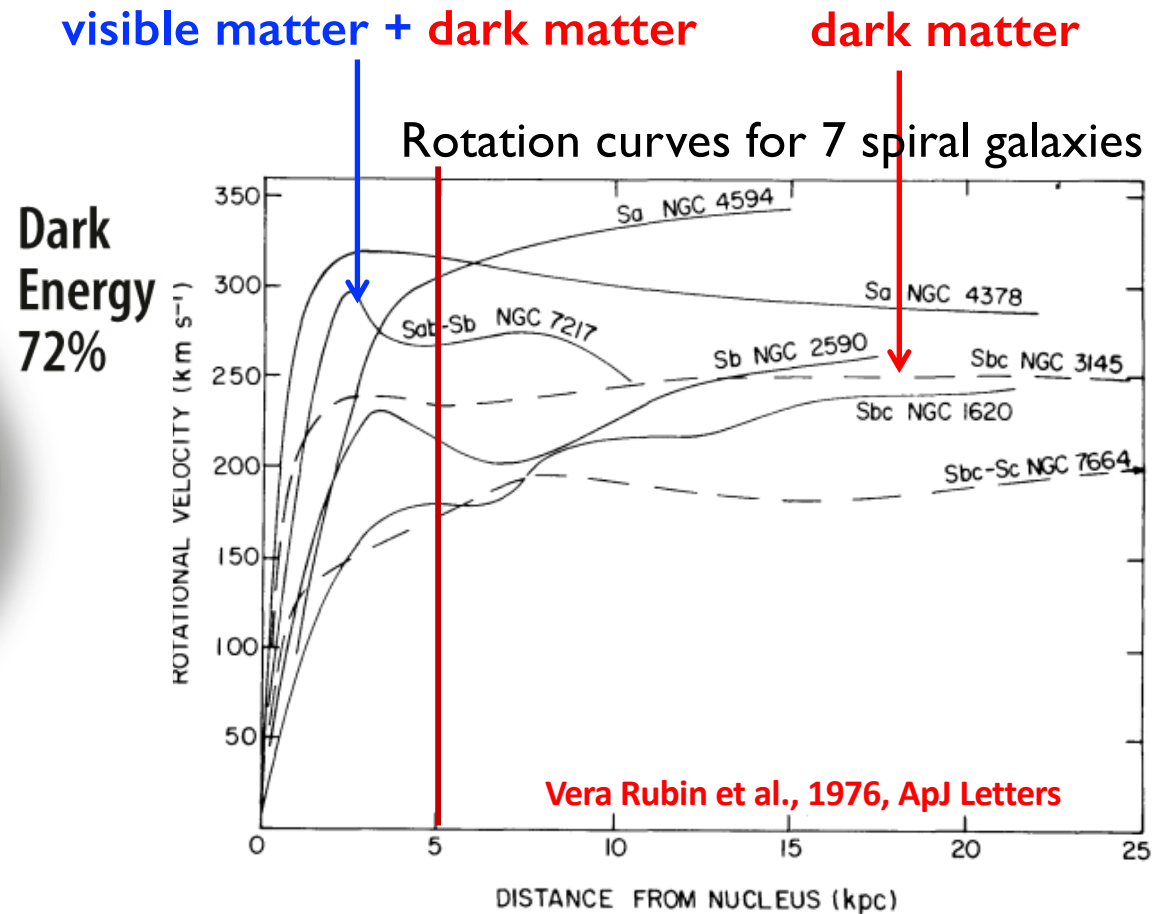
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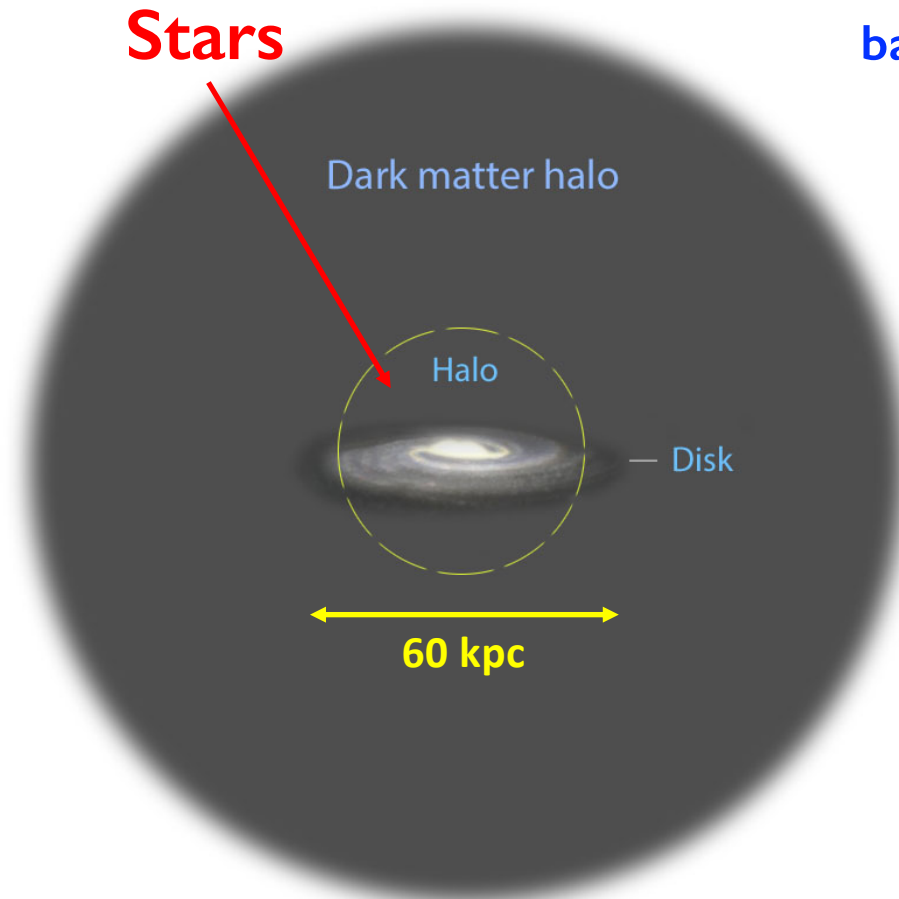
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Observational Evidence: Inner galactic core (Milky Way), the comparison of the observed rotation curve (data from gas and stars kinematics) with the predictions of baryonic models strongly support the existence of dark matter (locco et al. 2015, Nature Physics).



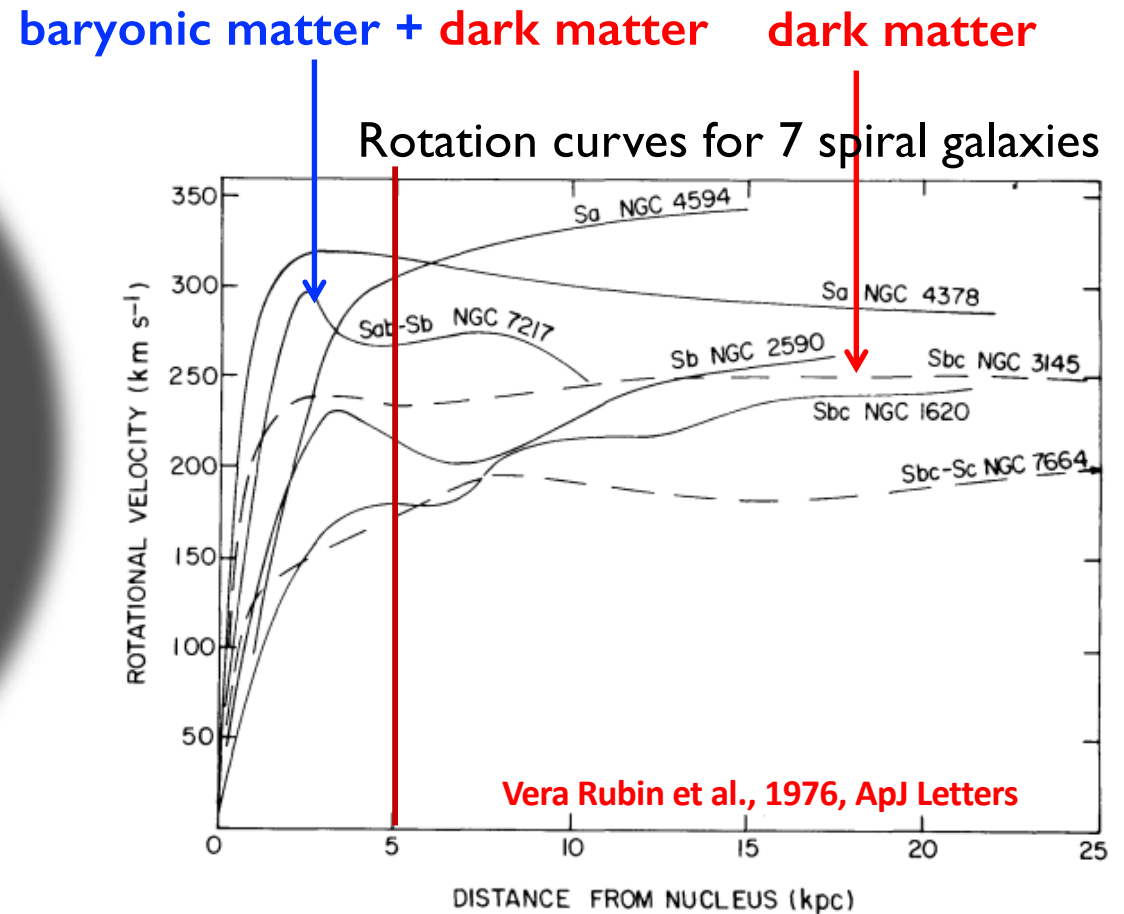
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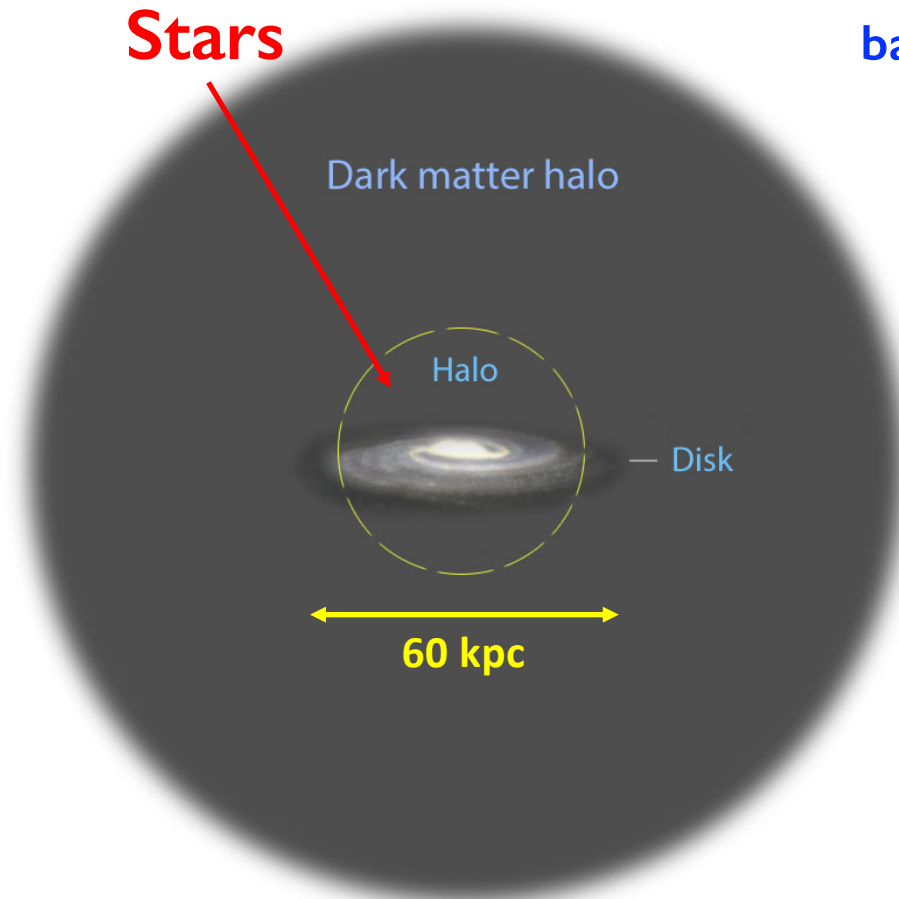


Milky Way : Standard DM Halo

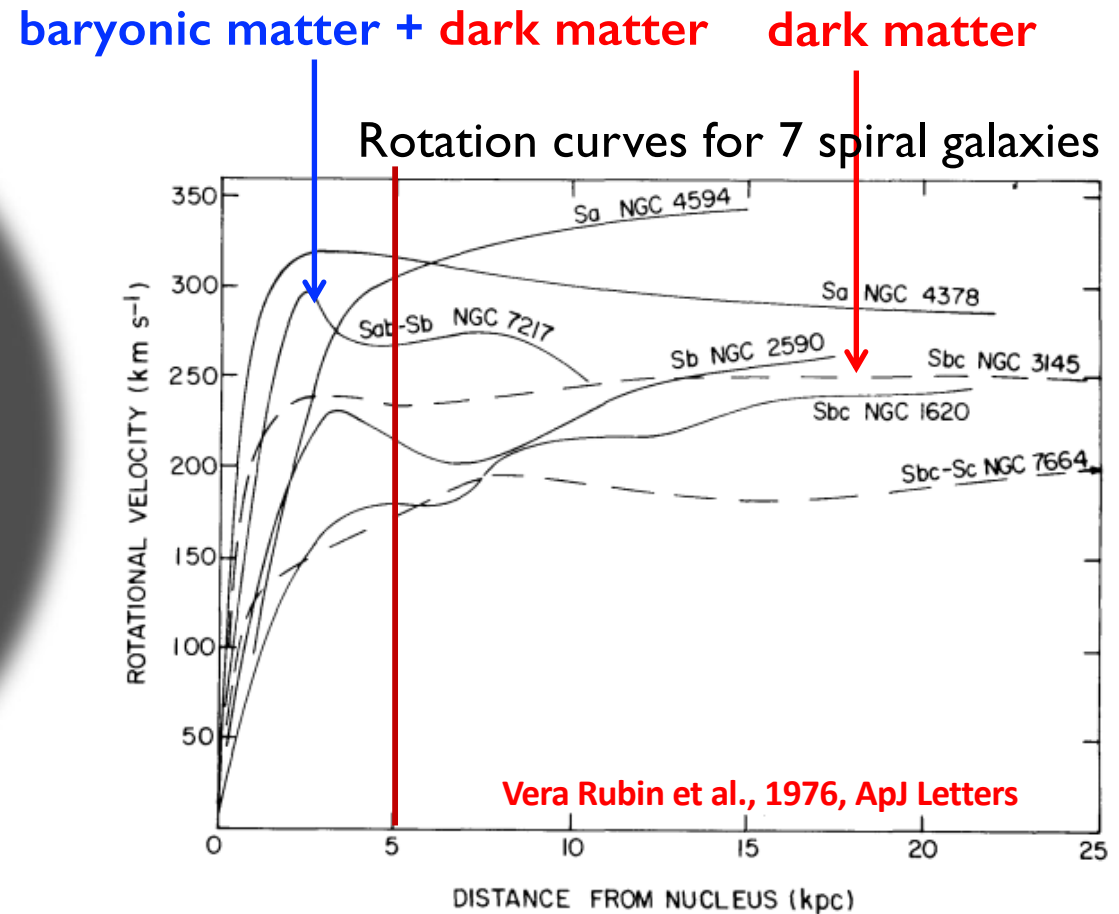
In the standard cosmological model, the **dark matter halo** of a galaxy like the Milky Way forms from the merger and accretion of smaller sub-halos. These sub-units also harbour stars, typically old and metal-poor, that are deposited in the inner galactic regions by disruption events.



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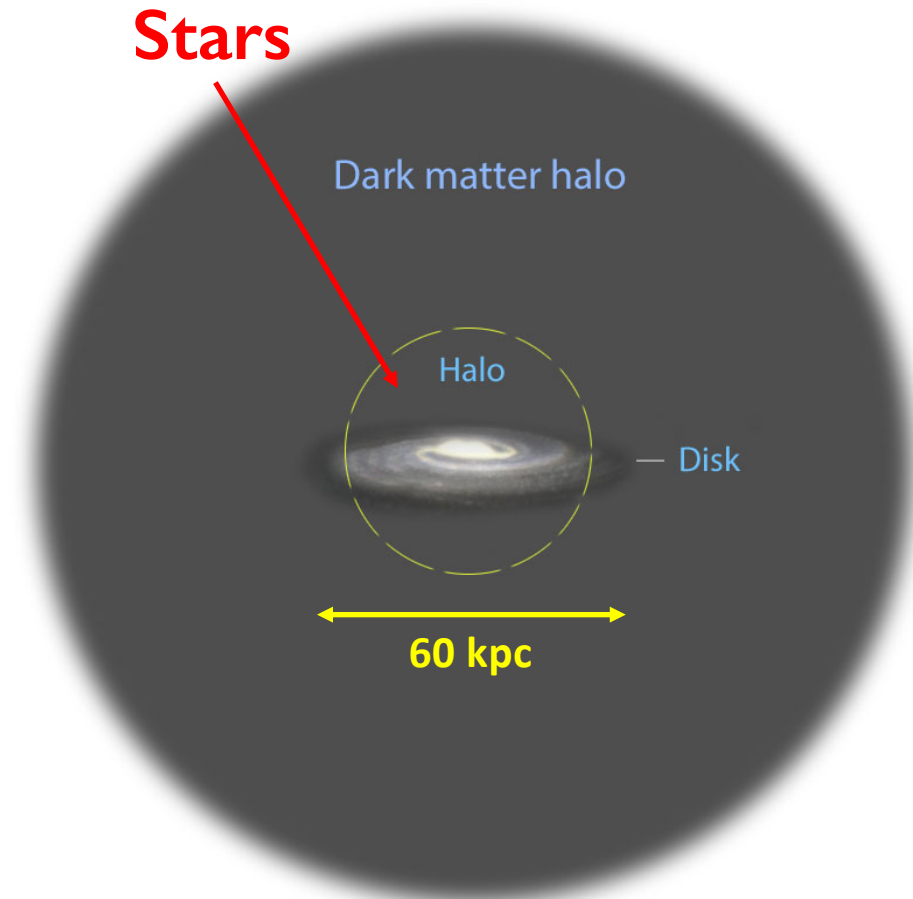
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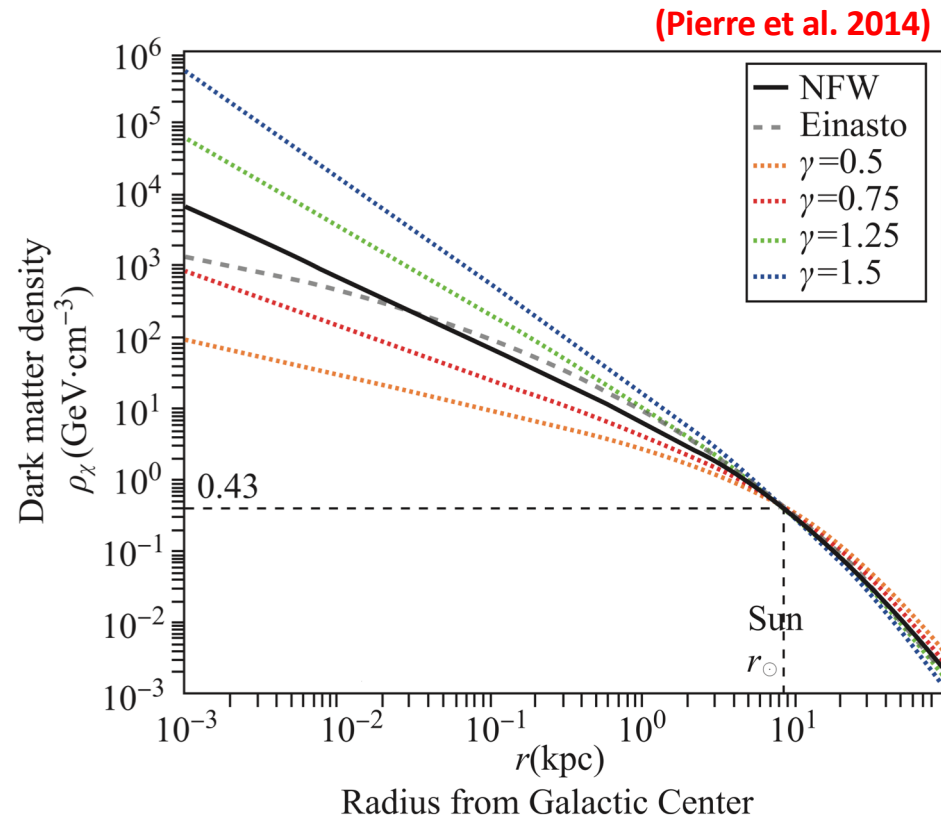
Dark Matter content of the Milky Way: Among other authors, Posti and Helmi (2018), using GAIA data (globular cluster motions), estimated that the total mass of the Milky Way within the region of 20 Kpc to be $1.91 \pm 0.17 \times 10^{11} M_{\odot}$ of which **70% is dark matter**.

Important point: recent numerical simulations established that **90% - 95 % of the Milky Way mass is dark matter (up to 200 Kpc)**.

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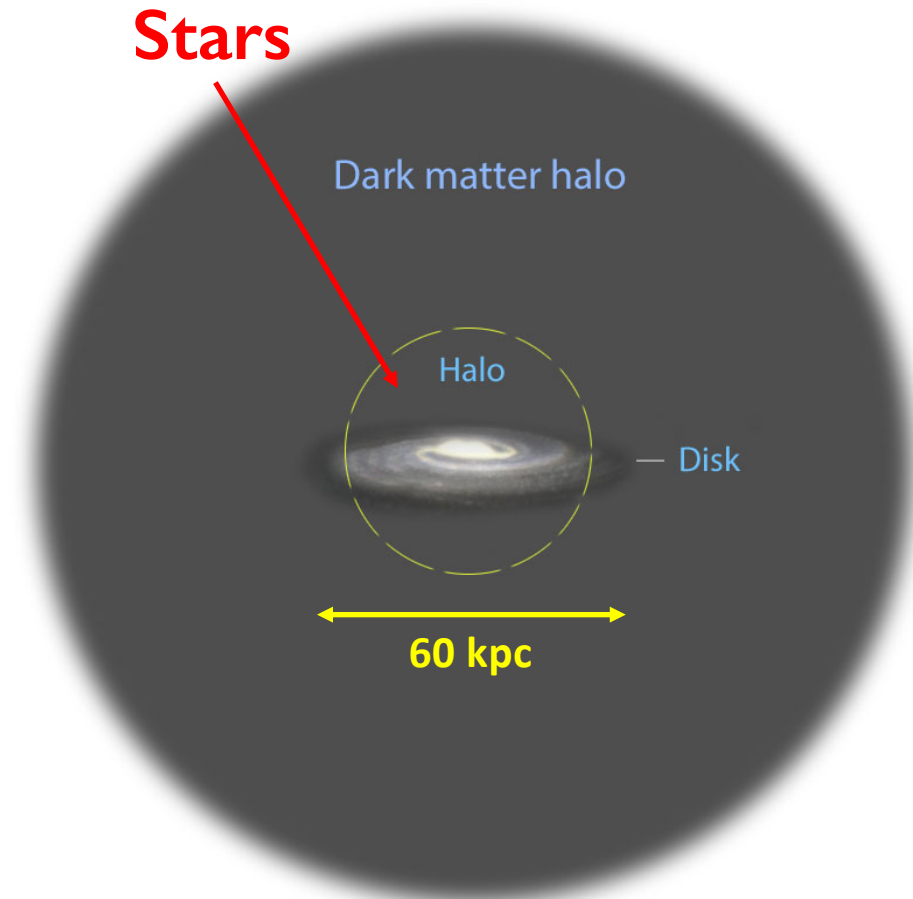
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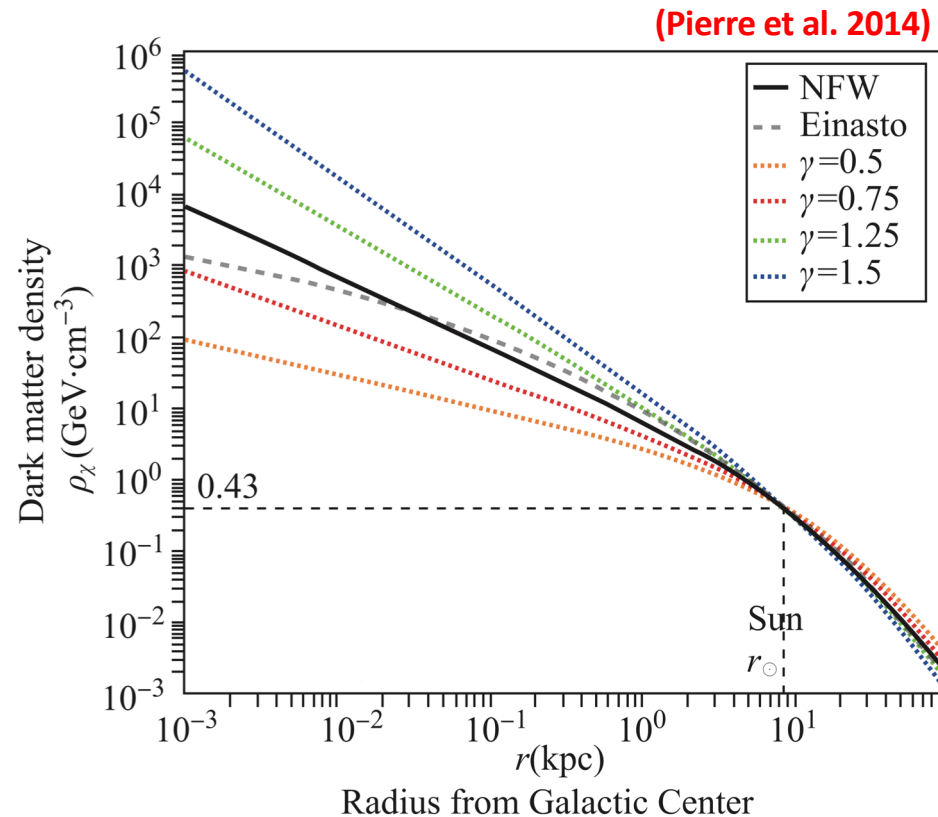
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The density of the most **metal-poor stellar population** exhibits the same dependence on the radius as the dark matter near the Sun's position (Herzog-Arbeitman et al. 2018).

Dark Matter in the Milky Way

A large amount of the total mass of the Milky Way is dark matter

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(What is dark matter made of ?)



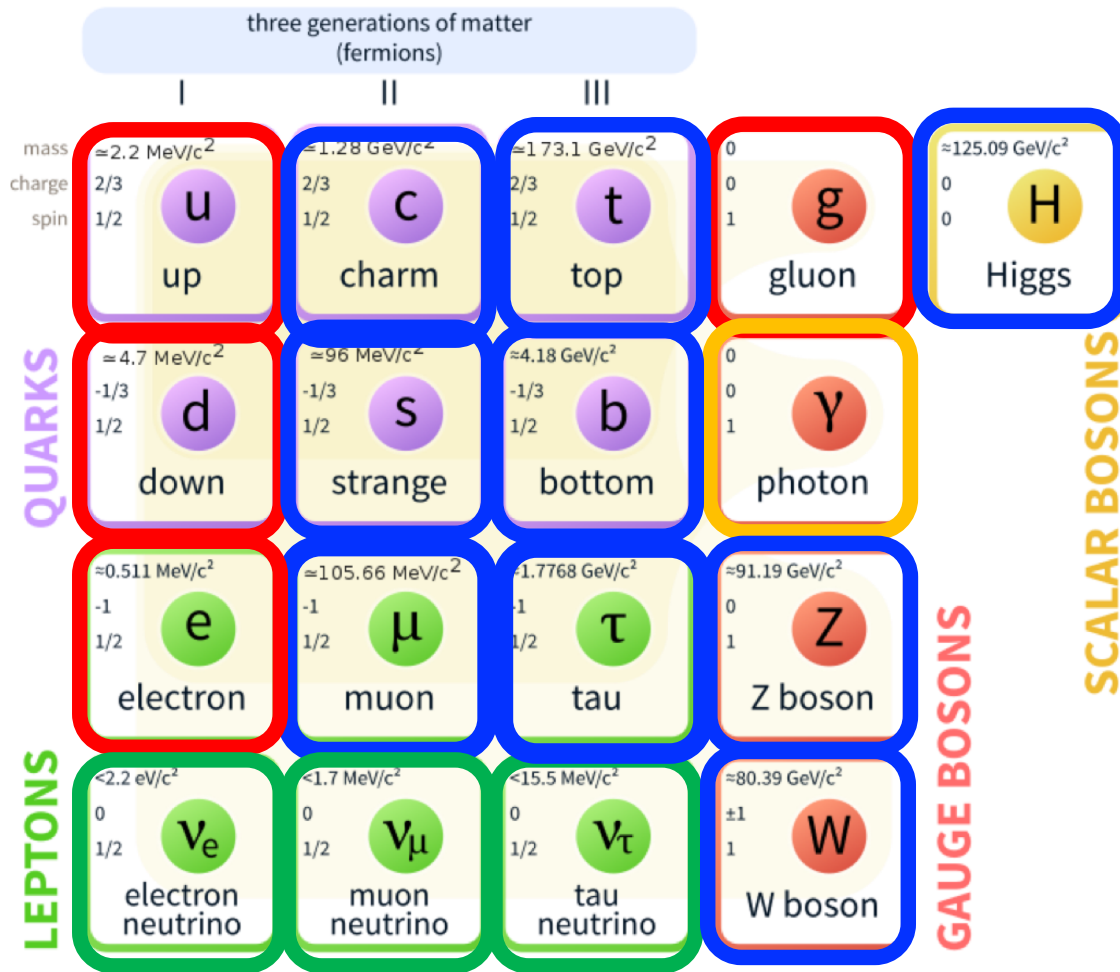
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Standard Model of Elementary Particles

This table of elementary particles (with its rules) explains the origin of all known matter of the Universe (that corresponds to 4% of the cosmological density).

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Standard Model of Elementary Particles

Light particle

Couples to the plasma

Disappears too quickly

Hot dark matter

As the standard model is quite successful in explaining all the known interactions (other than gravity), let us now consider that these new particles have somehow identical properties to the ones found in the standard particles.

None of these particles can be constituents of dark matter.

If not **standard particles**, then how
to proceed ...



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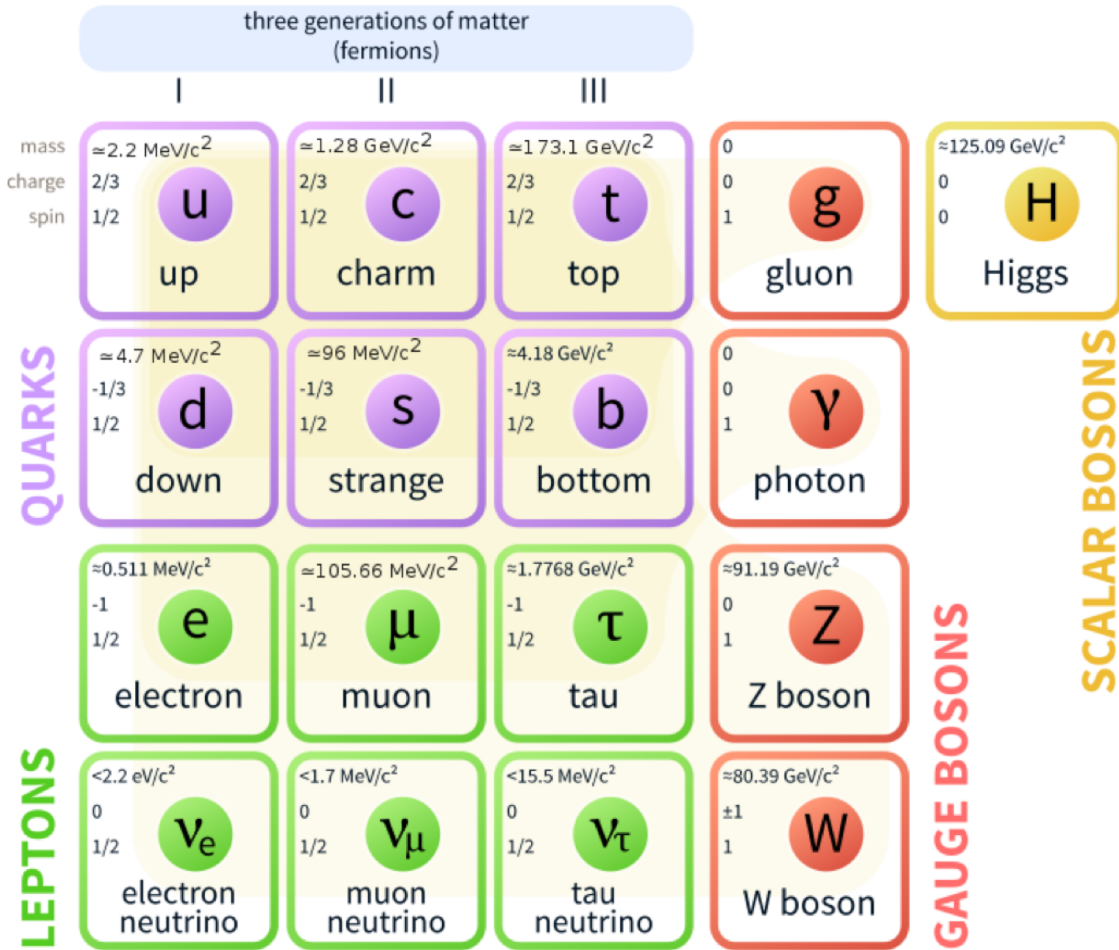
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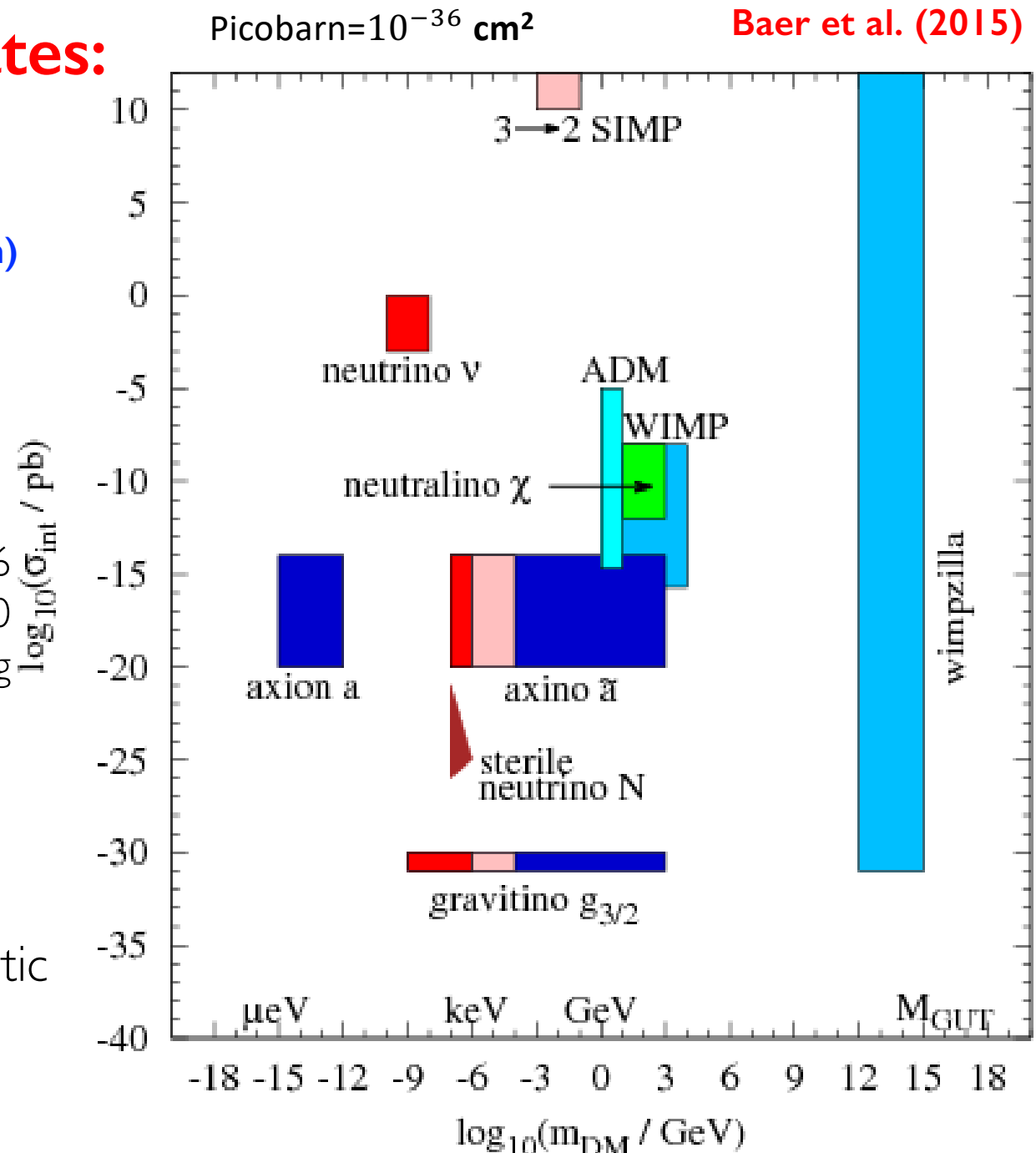
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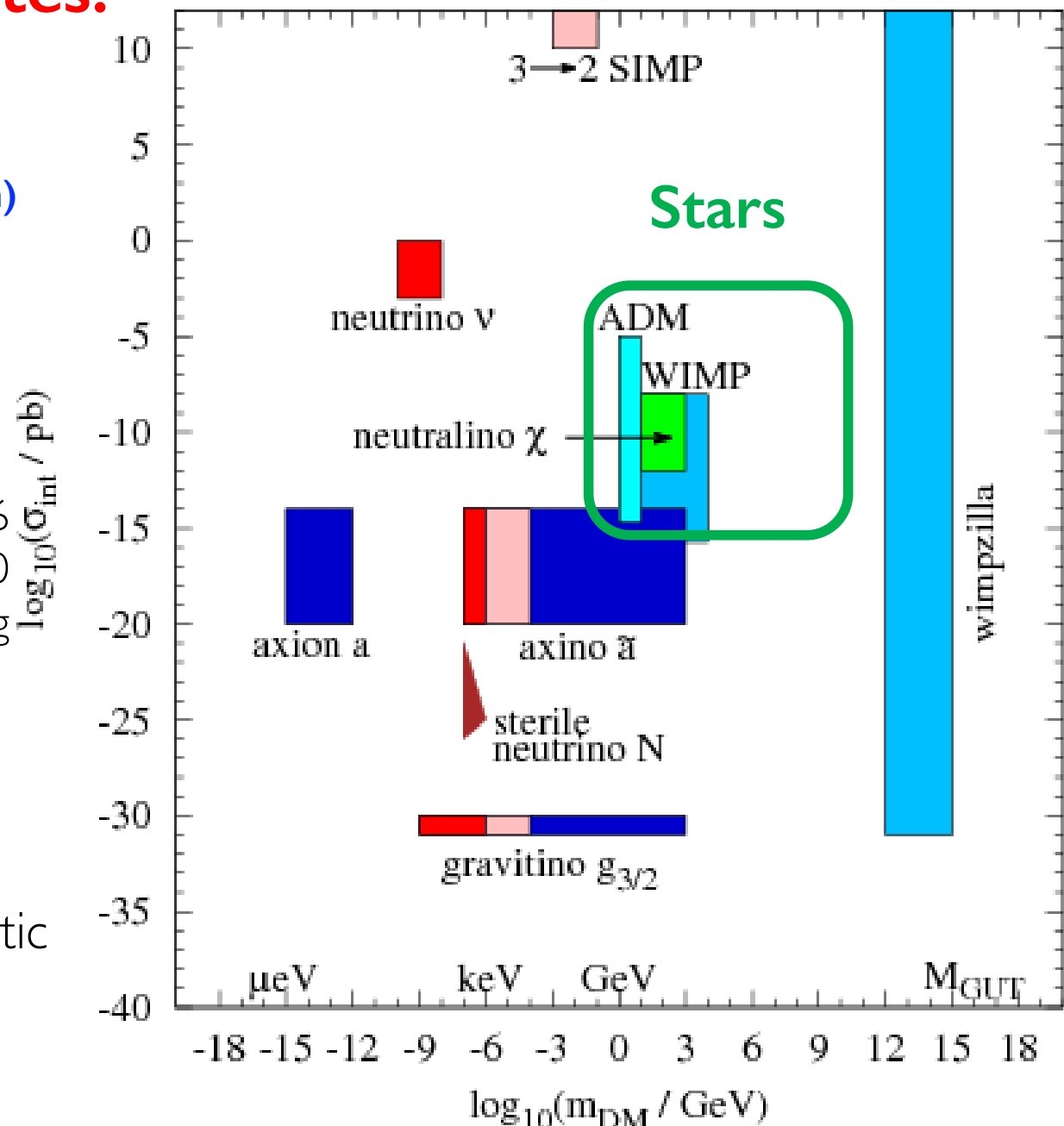
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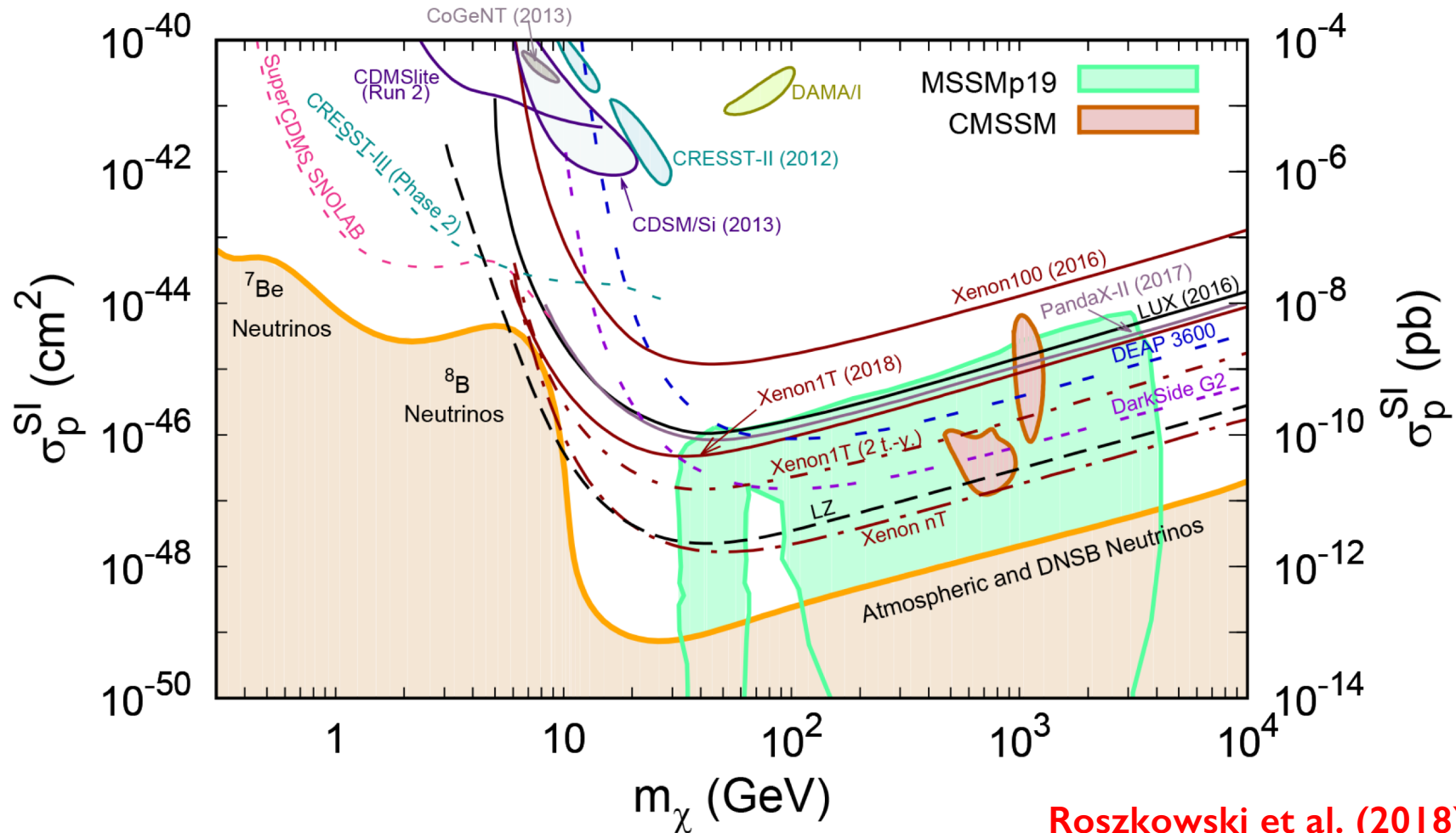
Picobarn = 10^{-36} cm^2

Baer et al. (2015)



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Dark Matter Candidates: Experimental Bounds



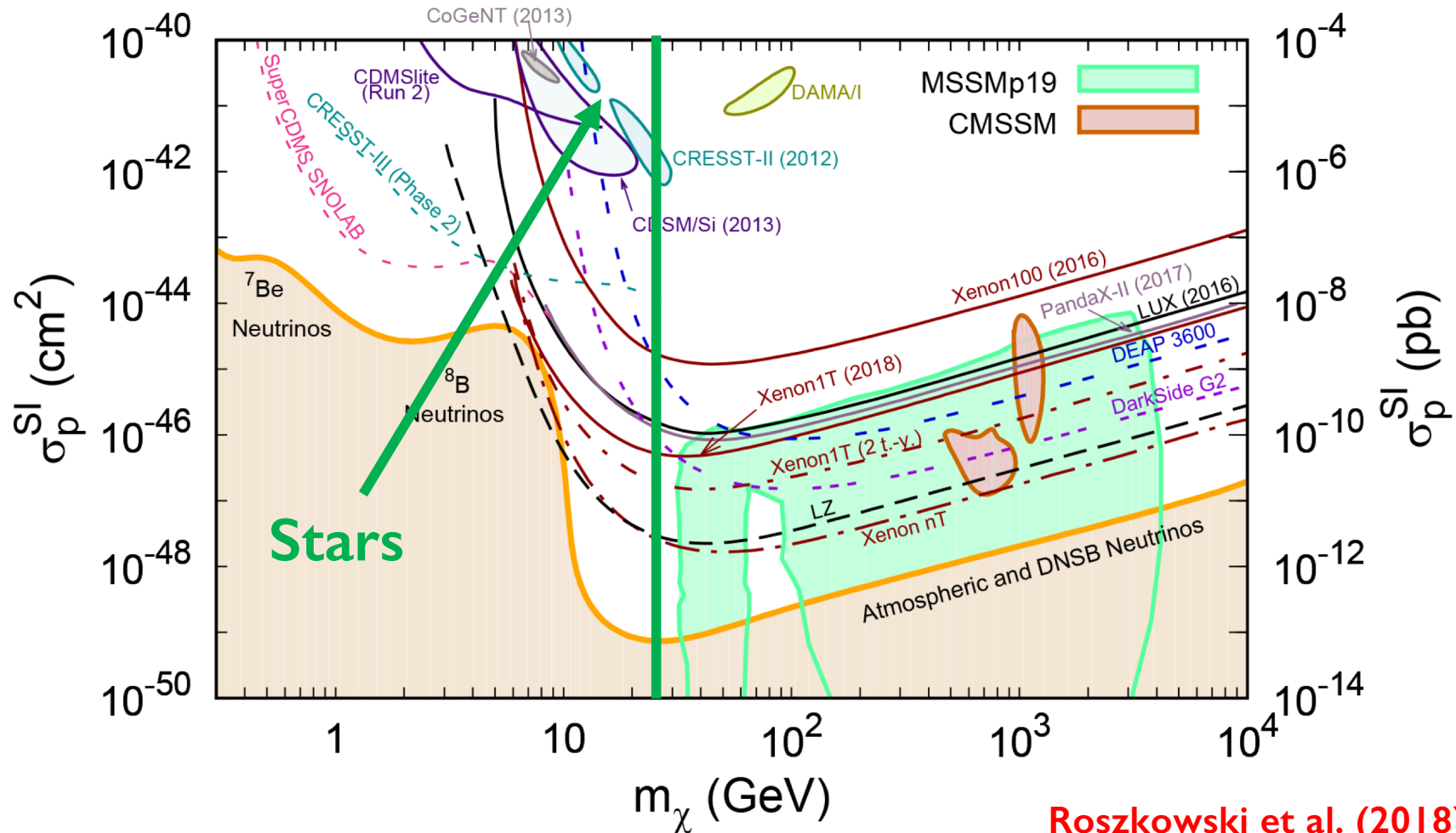
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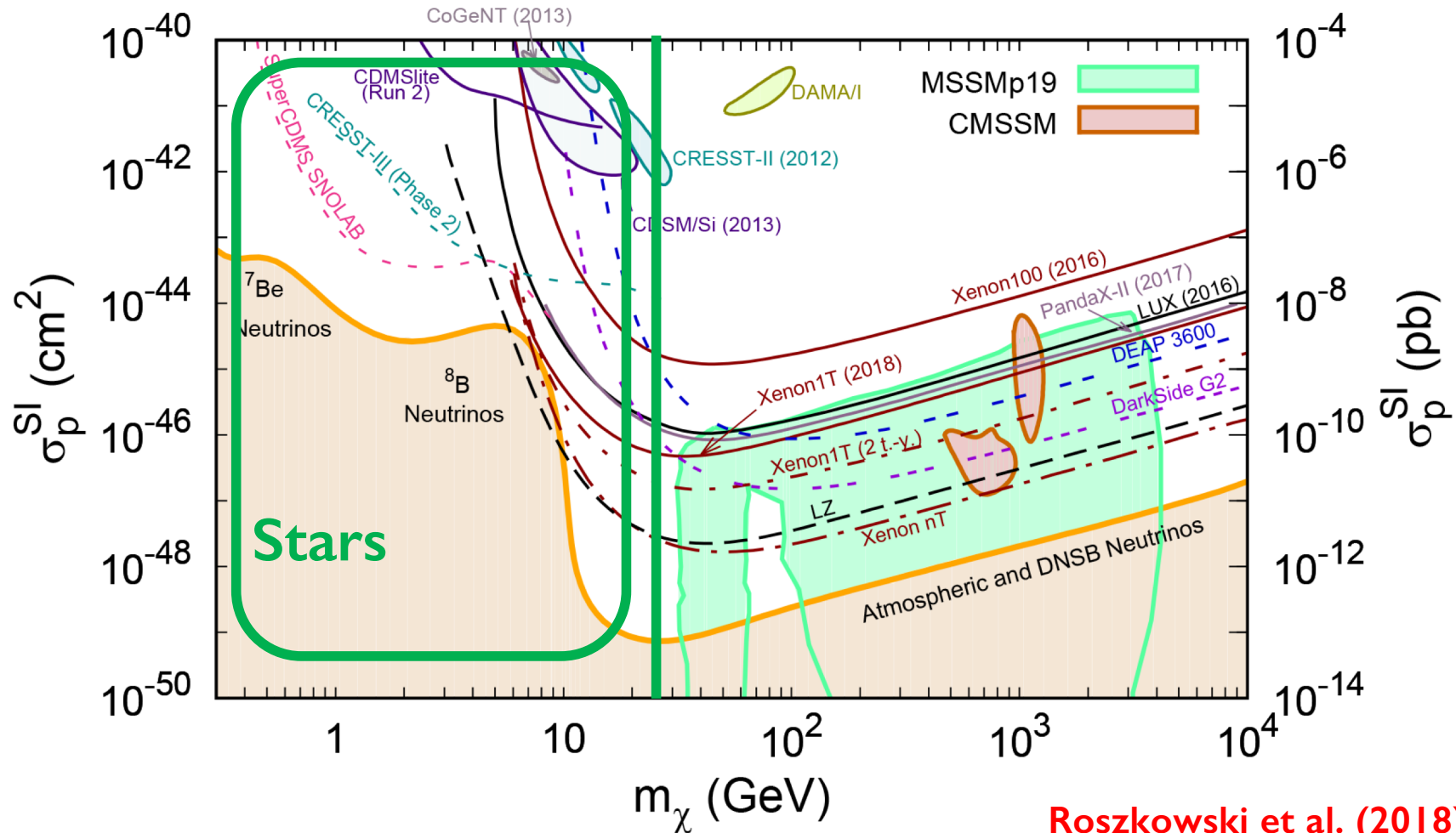
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Important Point

The Sun and stars are sensitive to light dark particles (with a mass of a few GeVs) which are difficult to probe by direct dark matter detection experiments.

How Dark Matter affects Stars

How does dark matter influence stars?

Pioneer Works:

Cosmions as a solution to the solar neutrino problem and dark matter problem [Steigman et al. (83), Spergel and Press (85), Krauss et al. (85), Gilliland et al. (86), Dearborn et al. (91), Faulkner et al. (86), Dappen et al. (86)]

Dark matter impact in Stars (Sun and red giant stars, ...) [Gould, Bouquet, Dearborn, Freese, Raffelt, Salati, Silk, ...]

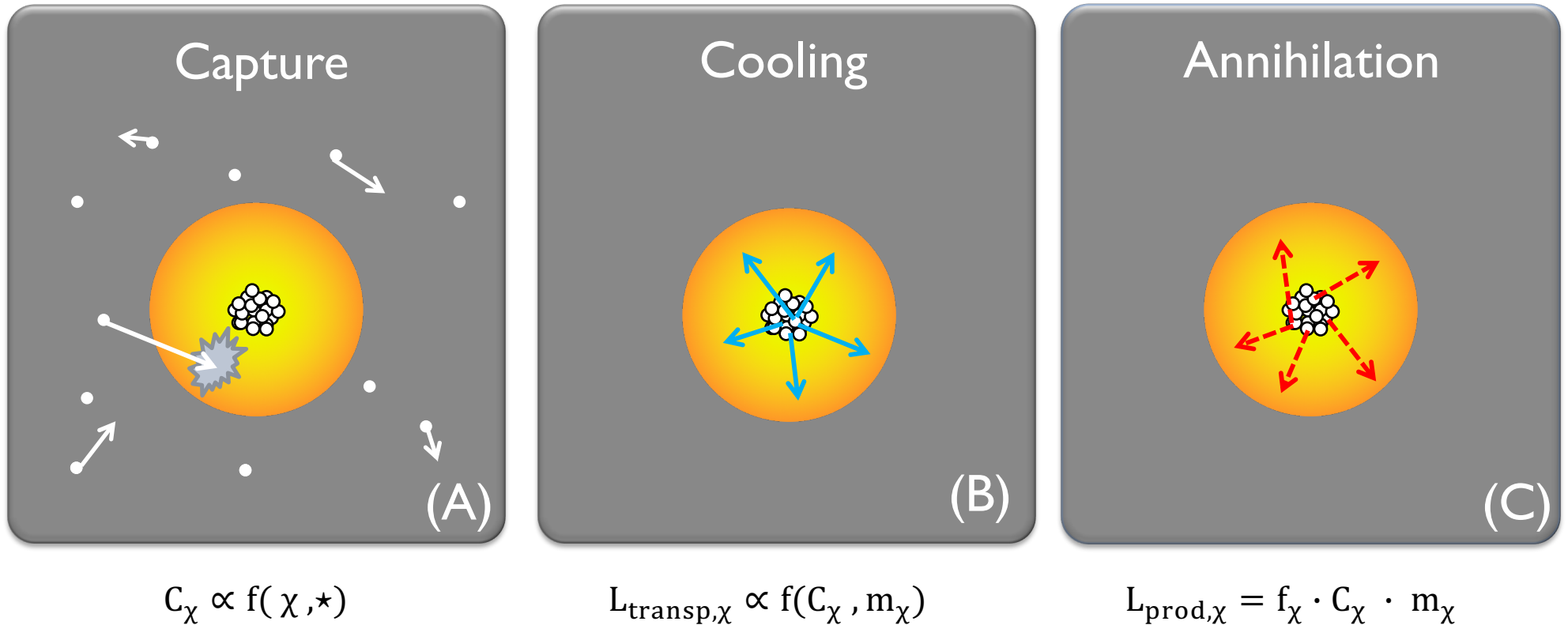
Recent Works:

Solar neutrinos and helioseismology: constraints low-mass DM candidates [Bottino, Bertone, Casanellas, Cumberbatch, Frandsen, Guzik, Lopes, Iocco, Panci, Meynet, Ricci, Scott, Silk, Taoso, Turck-Chièze, Watson, Vincent]

Stars and asteroseismology: Constraints on low-mass DM candidates [Casanellas, Lopes, Scott, Silk, Brandão, Lebreton, ...]

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Generic properties

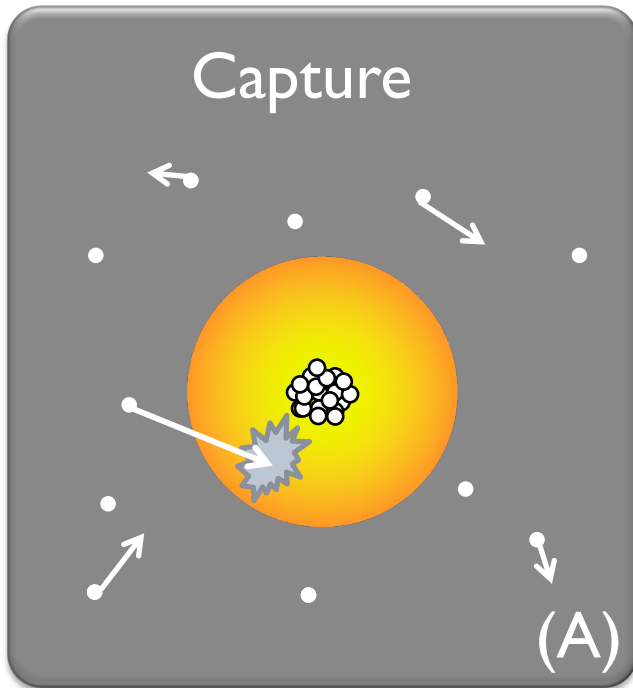


Interaction of dark matter particles with stars: The interaction of dark matter with baryonic matter inside stars follows three basic processes: **capture (A)**, **cooling (B)** and **annihilation (C)**.

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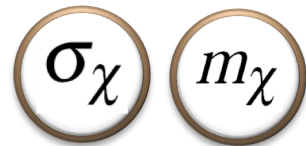
Gould, ApJ 321 (1987)

$$C_{\chi}(t) = \int_0^{R_{\star}} 4\pi r^2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{f(u)}{u} w \Omega_v^{-}(w) du dr$$

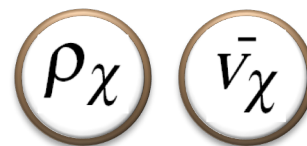


Lopes, Casanellas & Eugénio, (2011)]

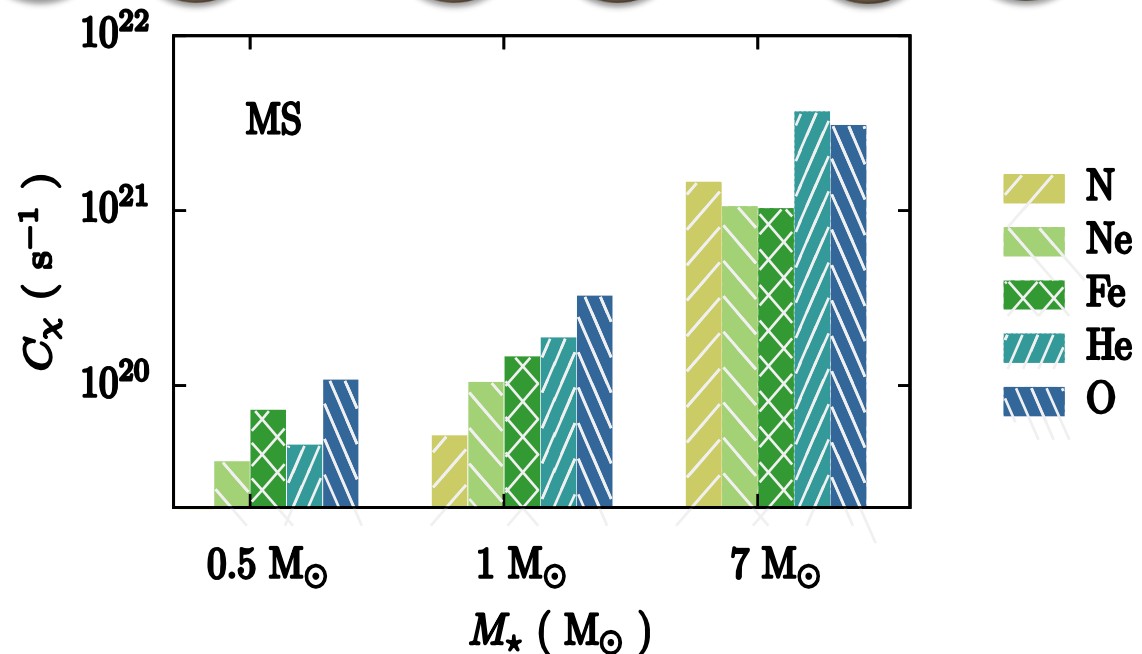
DM Particle Physics



DM Astrophysics

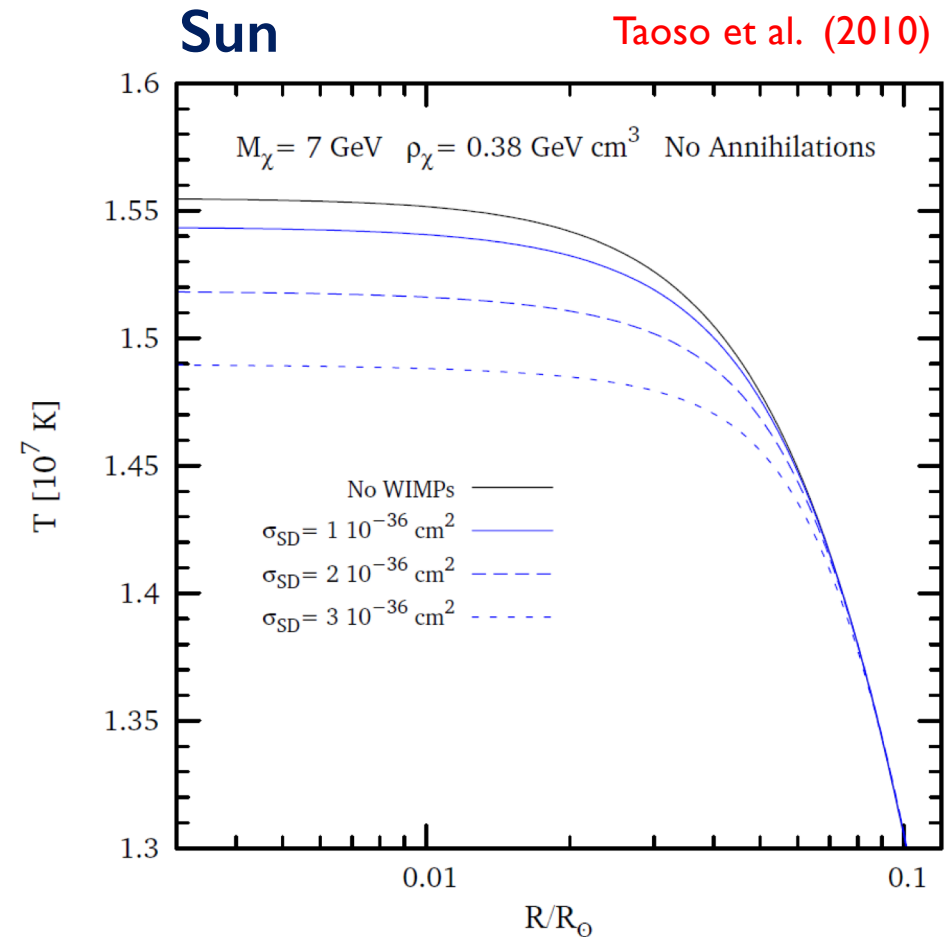
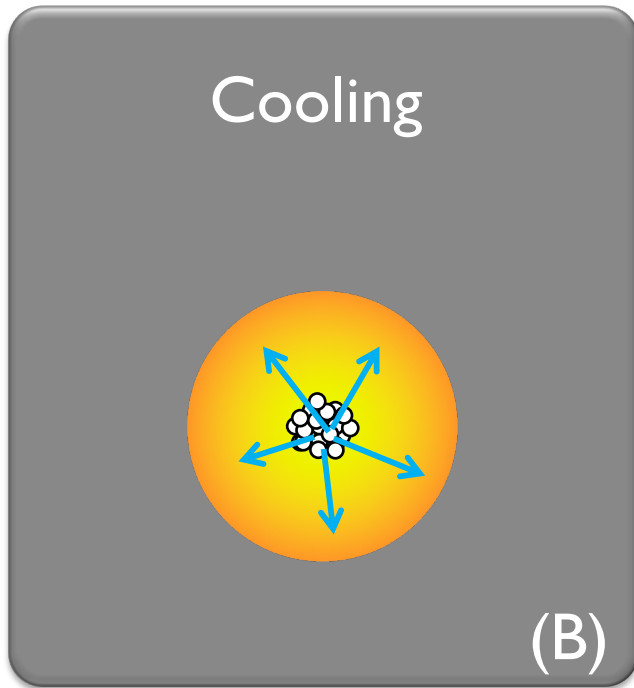


Stellar physics



Interaction of Dark Matter particles with stars: The interaction of dark matter with baryons depends on several factors that influence the capture and interaction dark matter with baryons on the star; properties of the dark matter particle, dynamics of the DM halo and internal properties of the star (including dynamical ones).

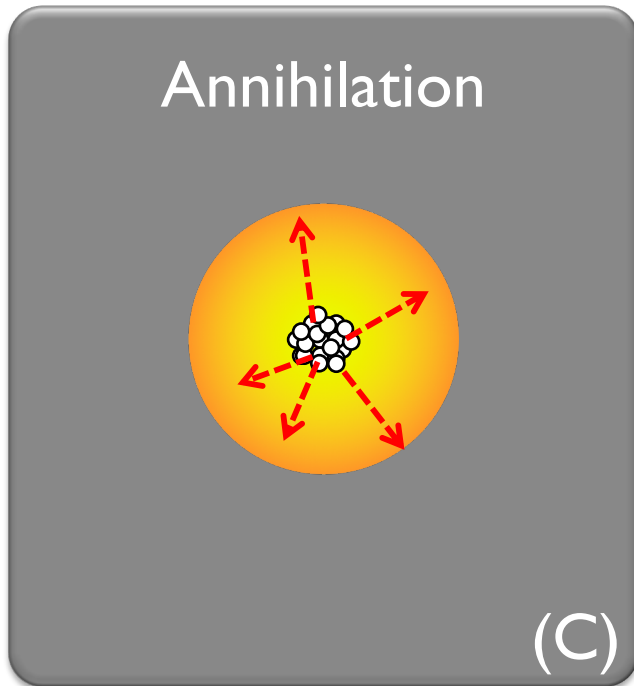
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Reduction of the star's core temperature

Interaction of dark matter particles with stars: The presence of dark matter inside the star facilitates the energy transport outside of the core, leading to a reduction of the temperature in the centre. In extreme cases of the strong interaction of DM with baryons, it can lead to the creation of an isothermal core (Lopes & Silk 2002).

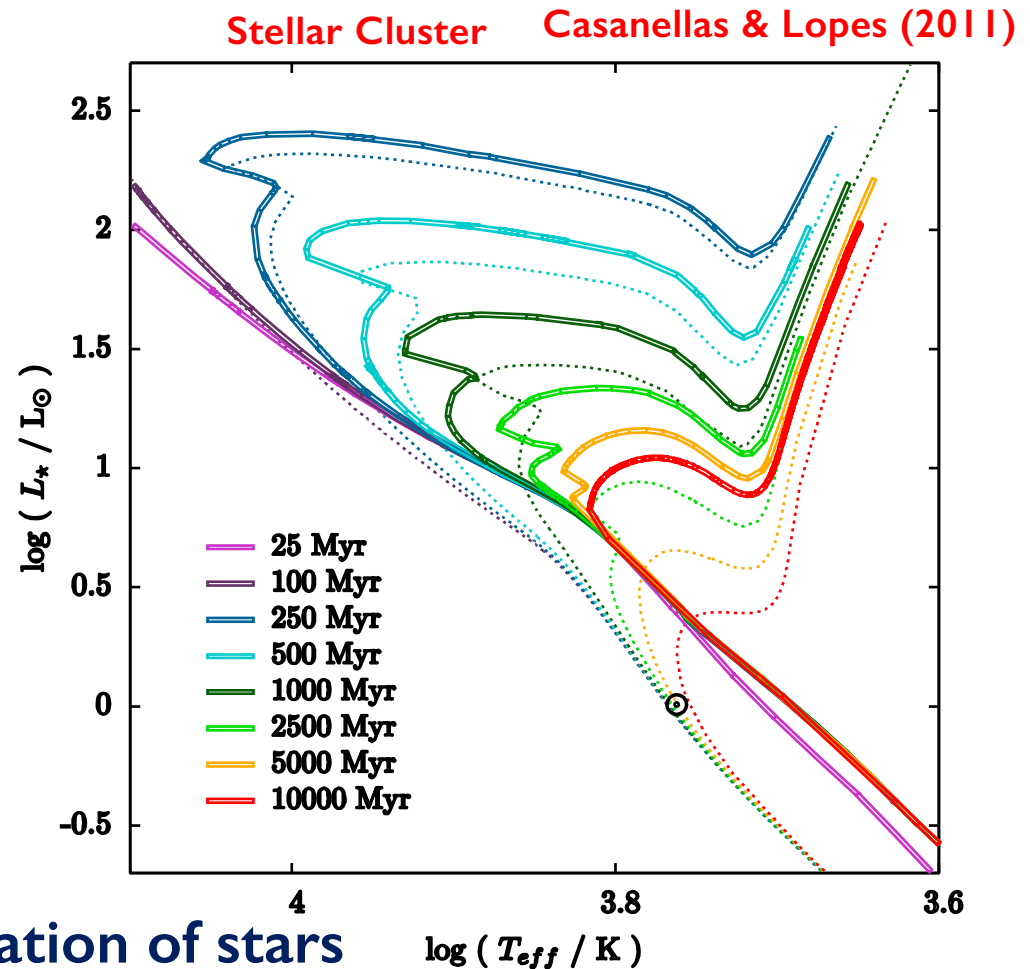
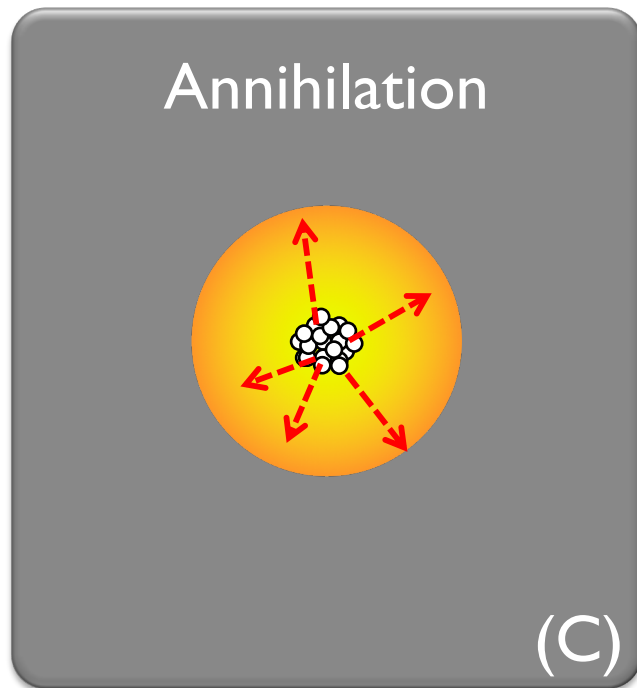
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Interaction of Dark Matter particles with stars: The annihilation of dark matter as an energy source for stars in the Milky Way, will only reduce the efficiency of the cooling mechanism. Nevertheless, stars formed in the dense dark matter halos (primordial Universe) have their lives extended (slower evolution in the HD diagram), due to the energy produced by dark matter (Lopes & Silk 2014).

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Example: For a cluster of stars ($0.7-3.5 M_\odot$) in DM halo ($\rho \sim 10^{10} \text{ GeV cm}^{-3}$, continuous lines) and standard HR diagram (dashed lines). The DM halo constituted particles with a DM mass of $\sim 100 \text{ GeV}$ and σ_{SD} (with protons) $\sim 10^{-38} \text{ cm}^2$. In the most dramatic cases lead to modifying the location of the main sequence in the HR diagram (Casanellas & Lopes 2011).

Dark matter constraints using stellar observables (a few examples)

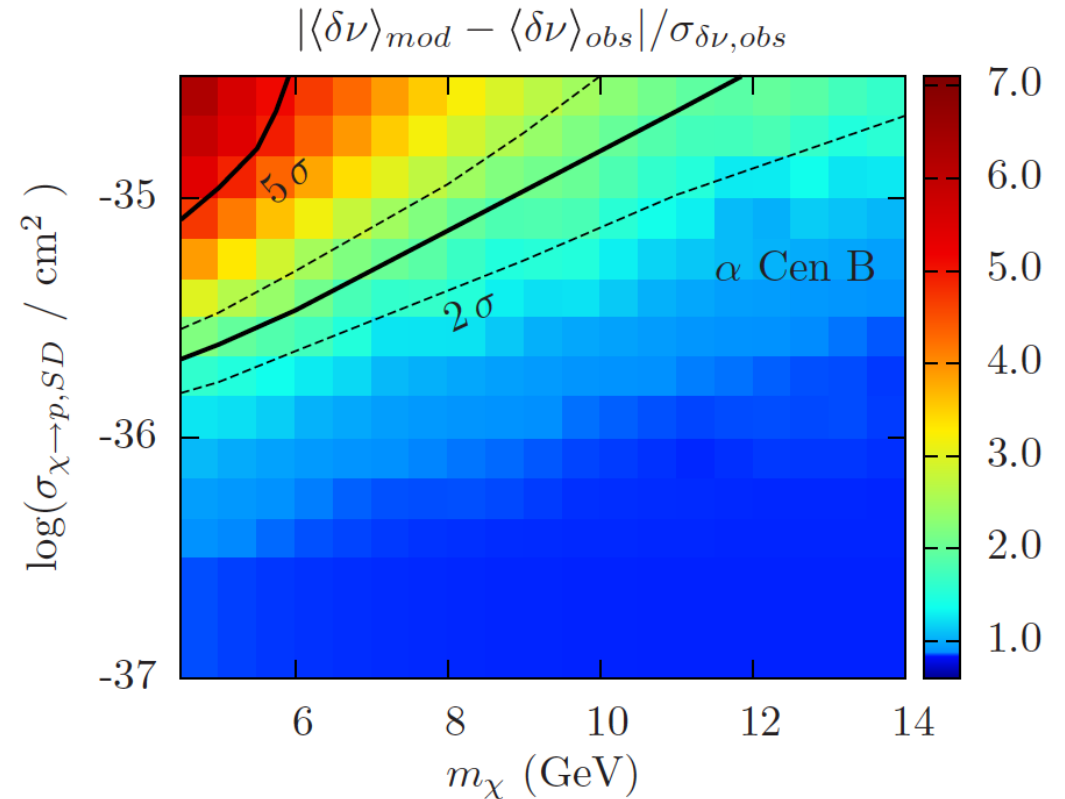
Constraints on Asymmetric Dark Matter Interaction with Hydrogen

Asteroseismology

Asteroseismology: limits to the DM characteristics

Dark sector: ADM particle (point-like interaction) – an interaction between a DM particle (with mass m_χ and scattering cross-section $\sigma_{\chi p}$) and a proton inside the star. Using the small frequency separations the following constraints were obtained for alpha Centauri B.

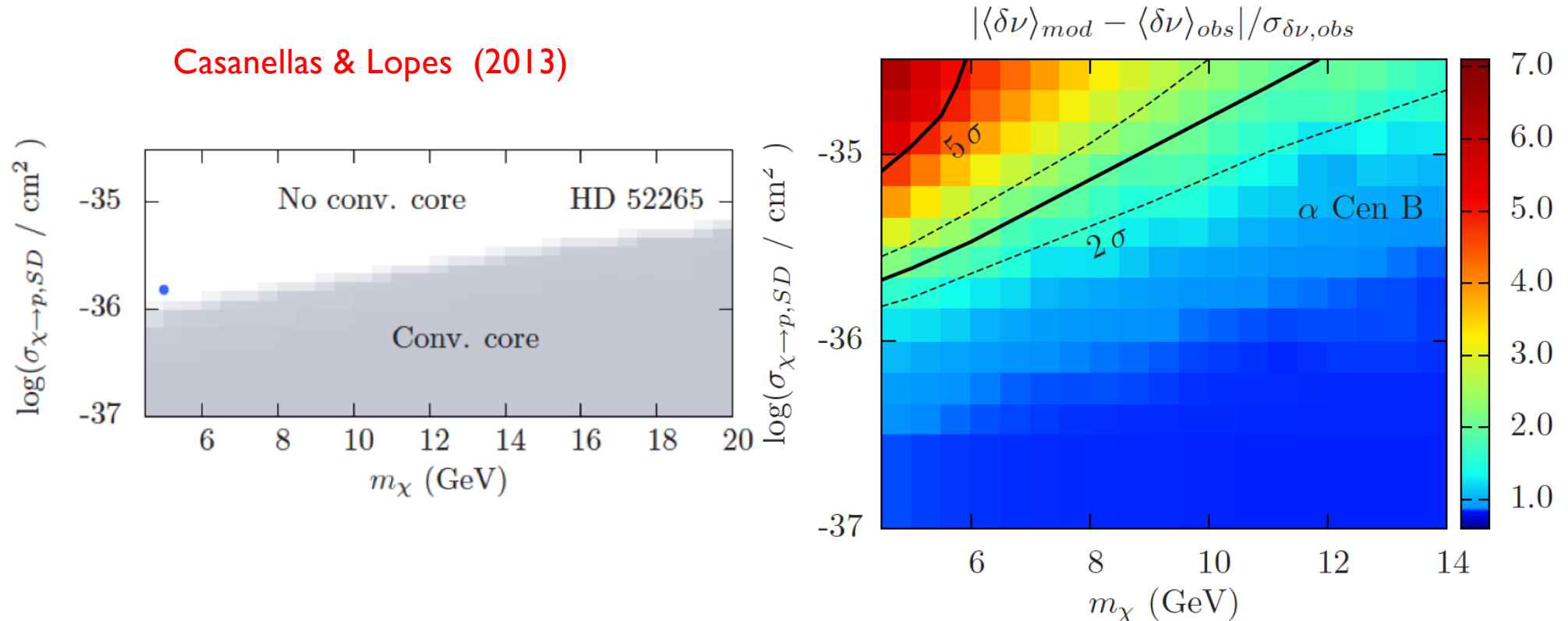
Casanellas & Lopes (2013)



Asteroseismology: The presence of dark matter (asymmetric) changes the transport of heat energy inside these stars (decreasing the central temperature). Using the asteroseismology data of Alpha Cent B ($0.9 M_\odot$), DM particles with $m_\chi \sim 5$ GeV and $\sigma_{\chi p}^{SD} \geq 3 \cdot 10^{-36} \text{cm}^2$ are excluded at 95% CL.

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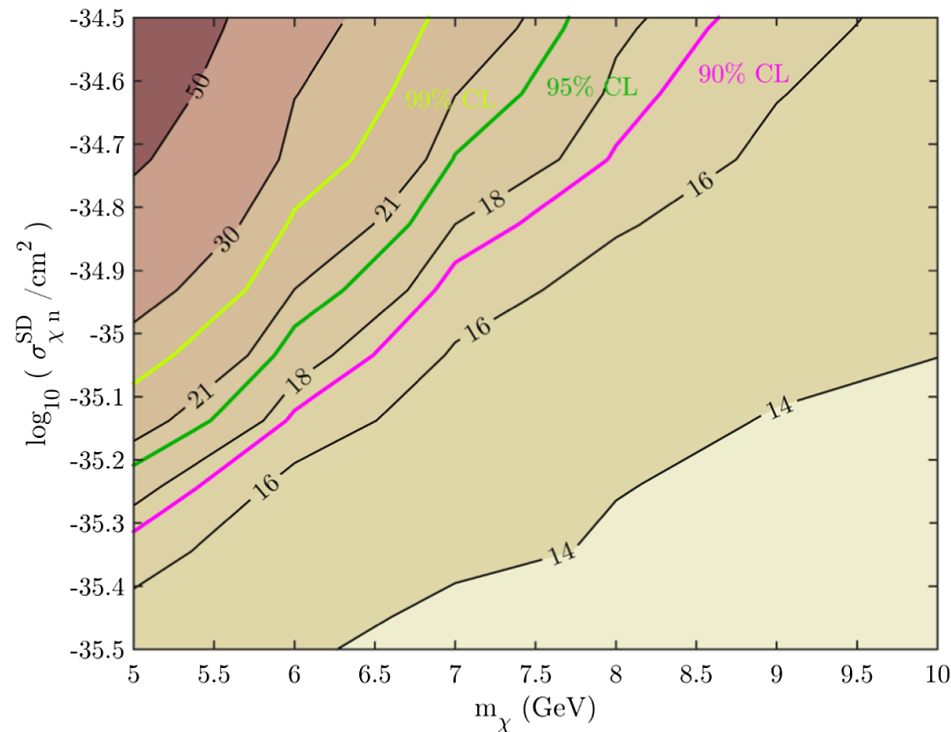
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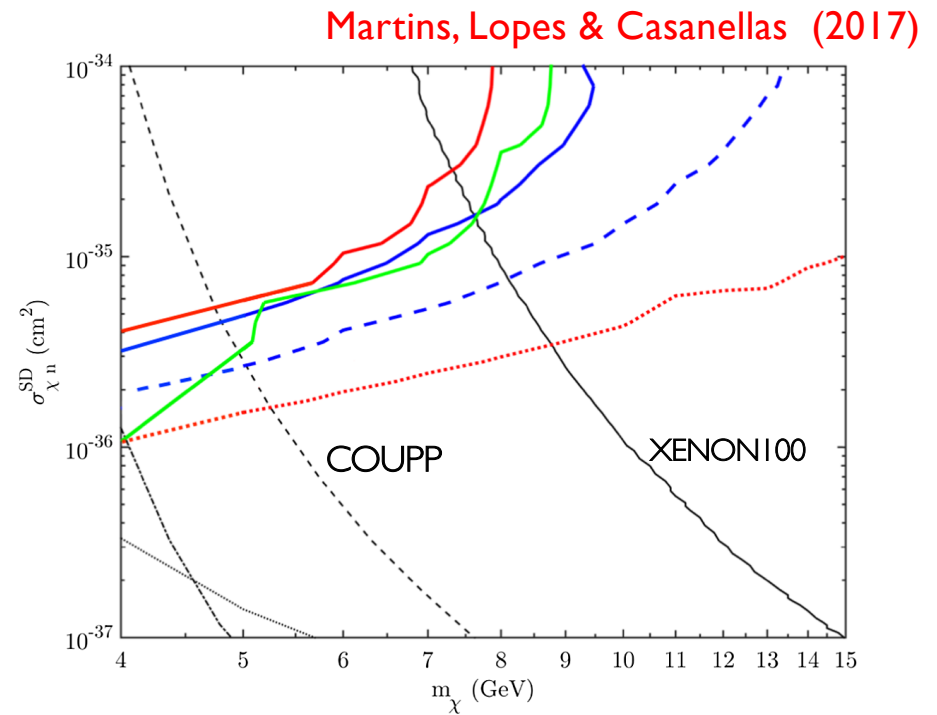
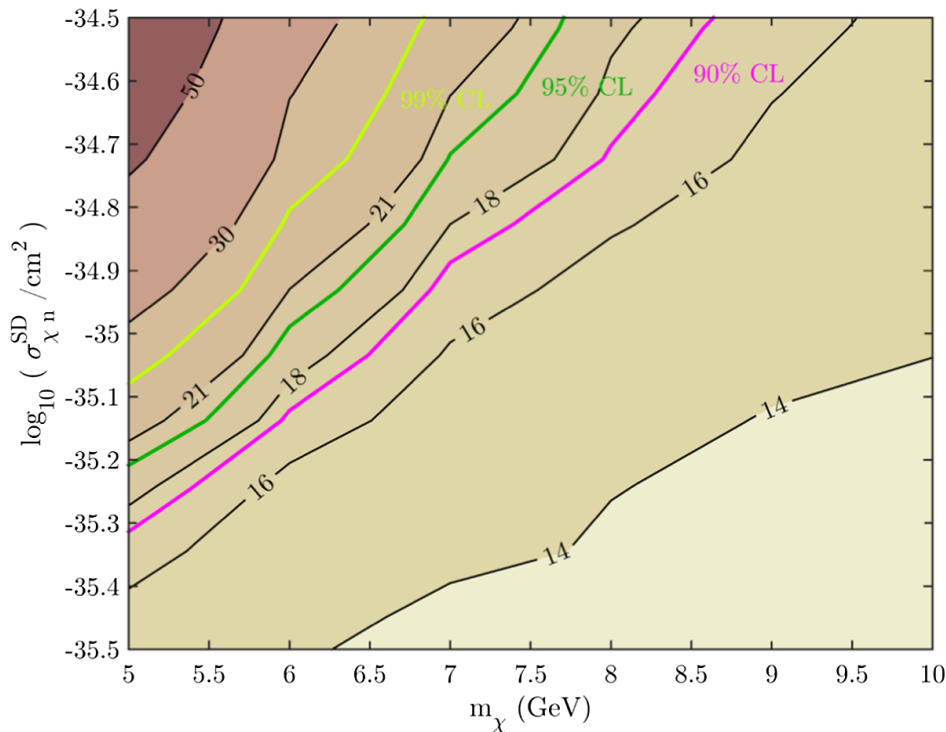
Martins, Lopes & Casanellas (2017)



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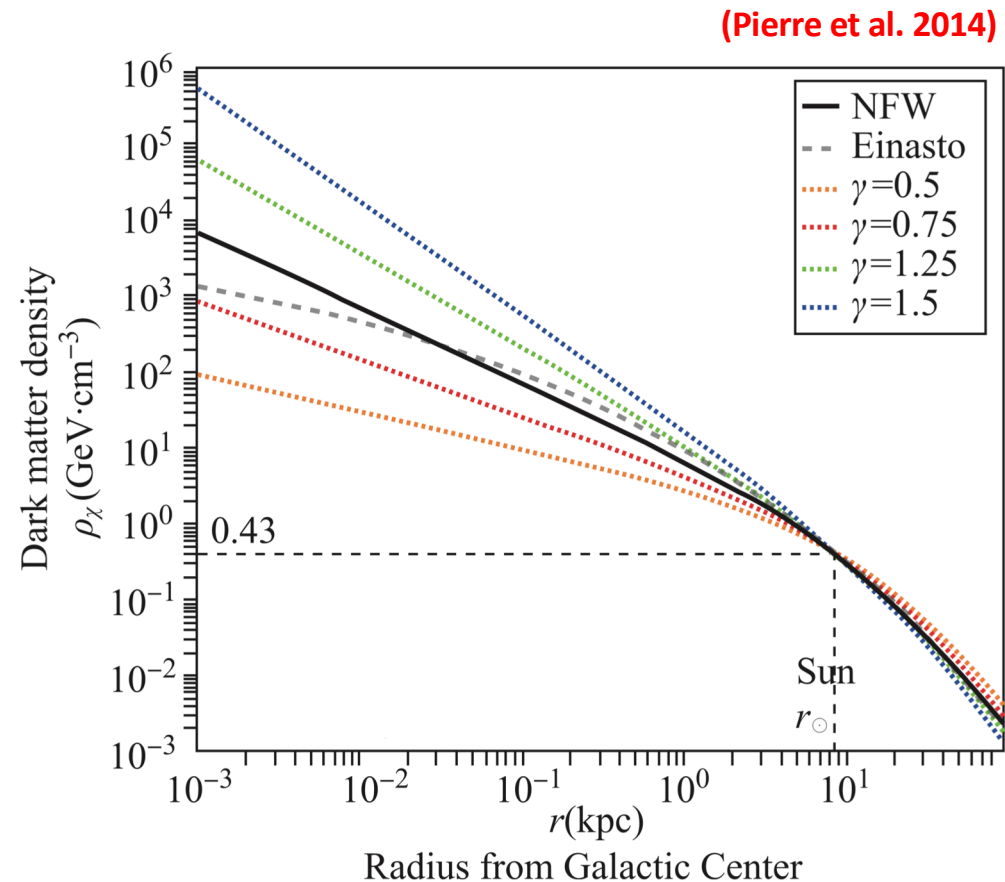
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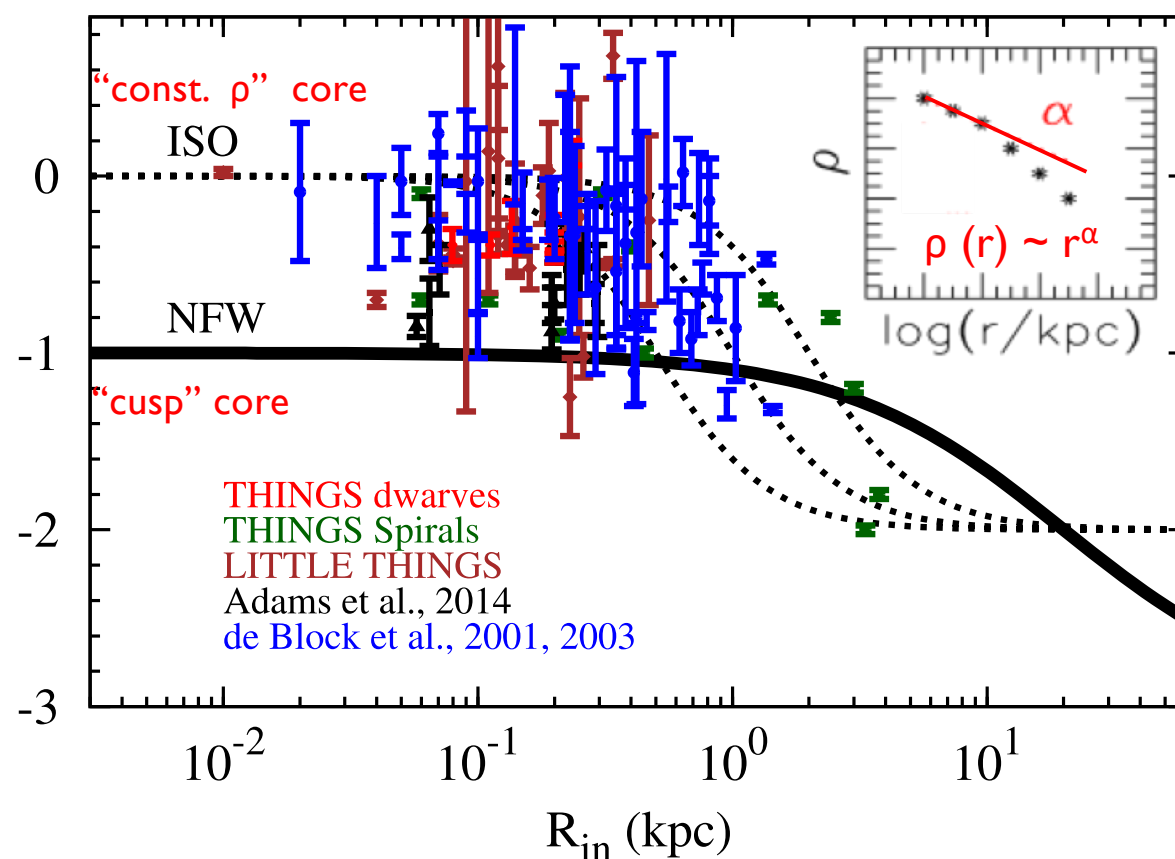
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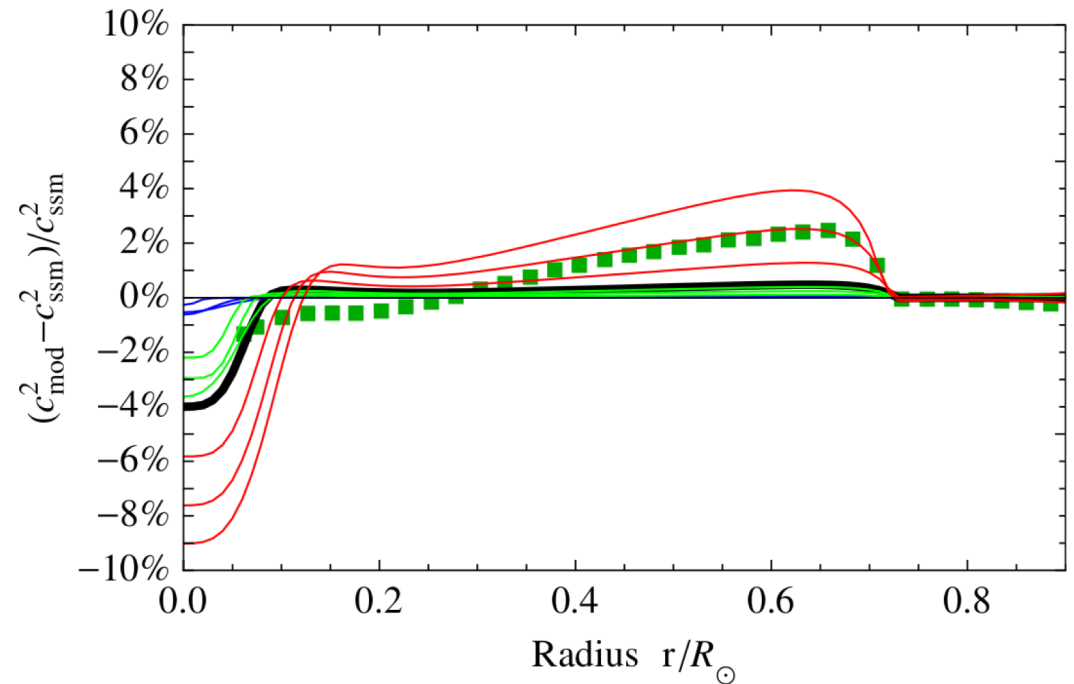
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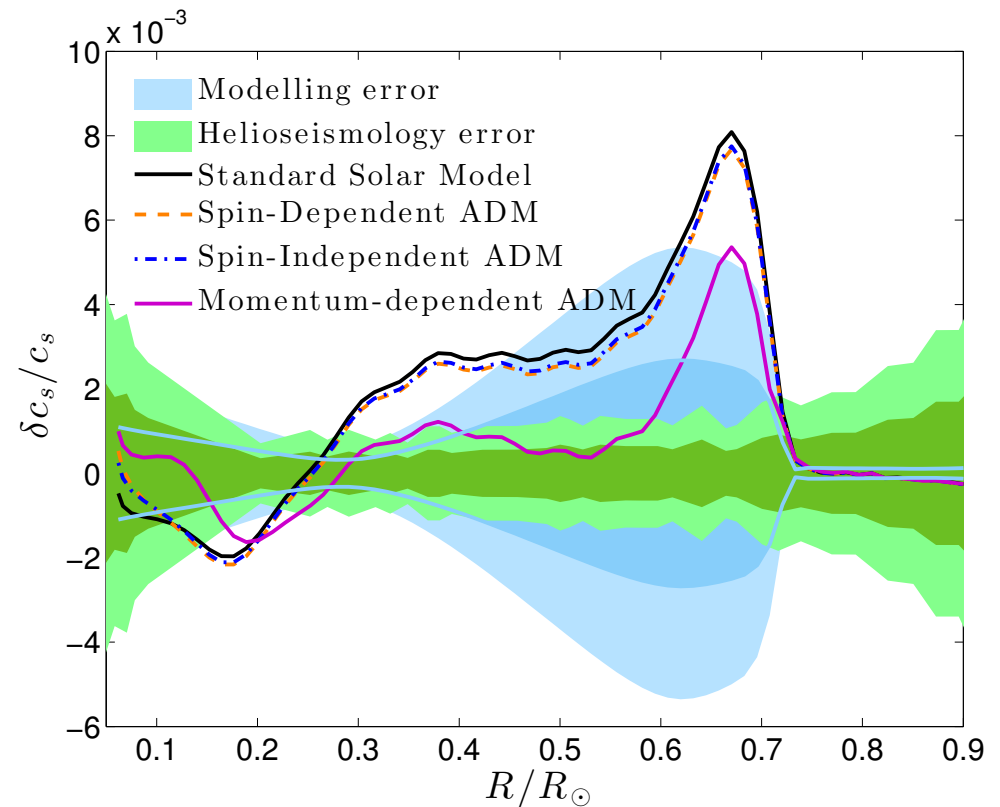
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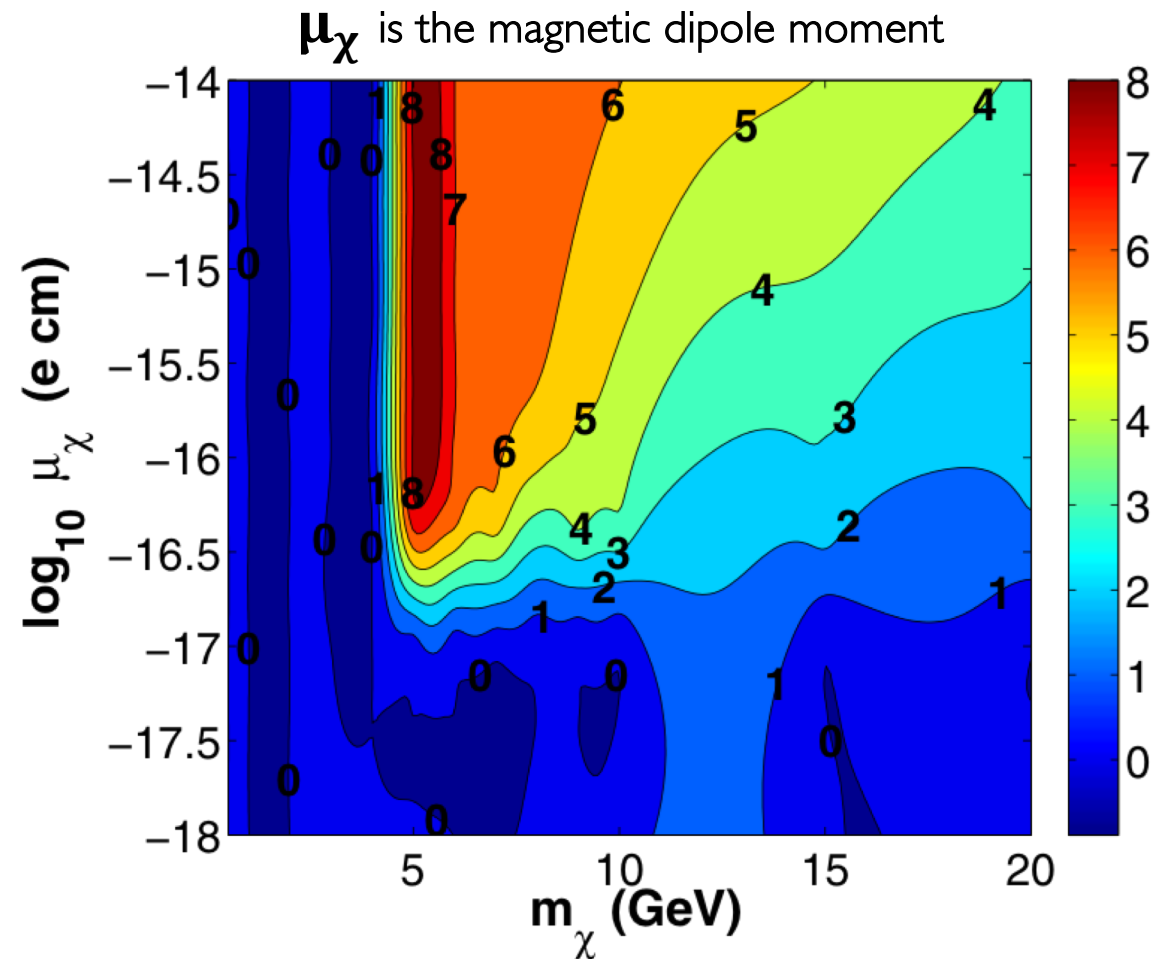
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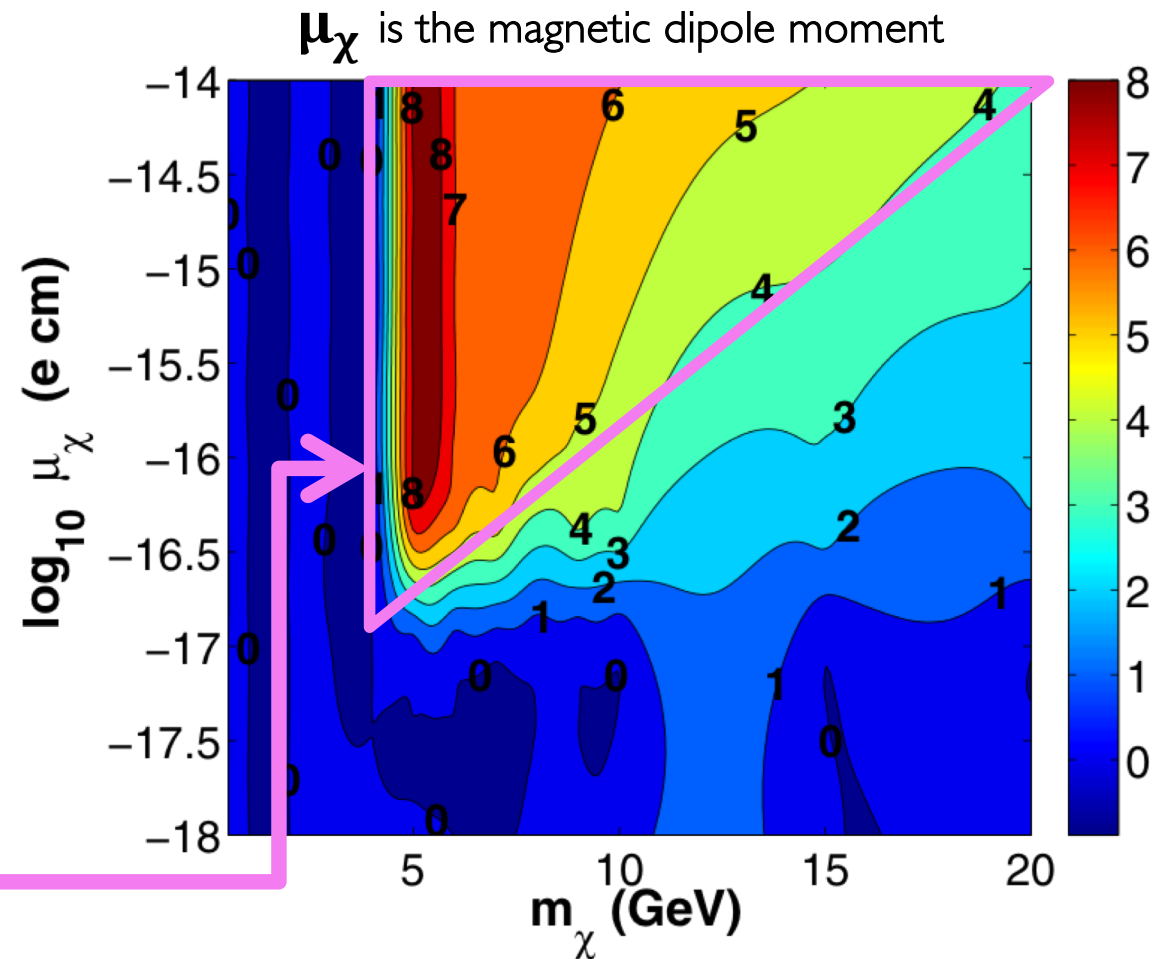
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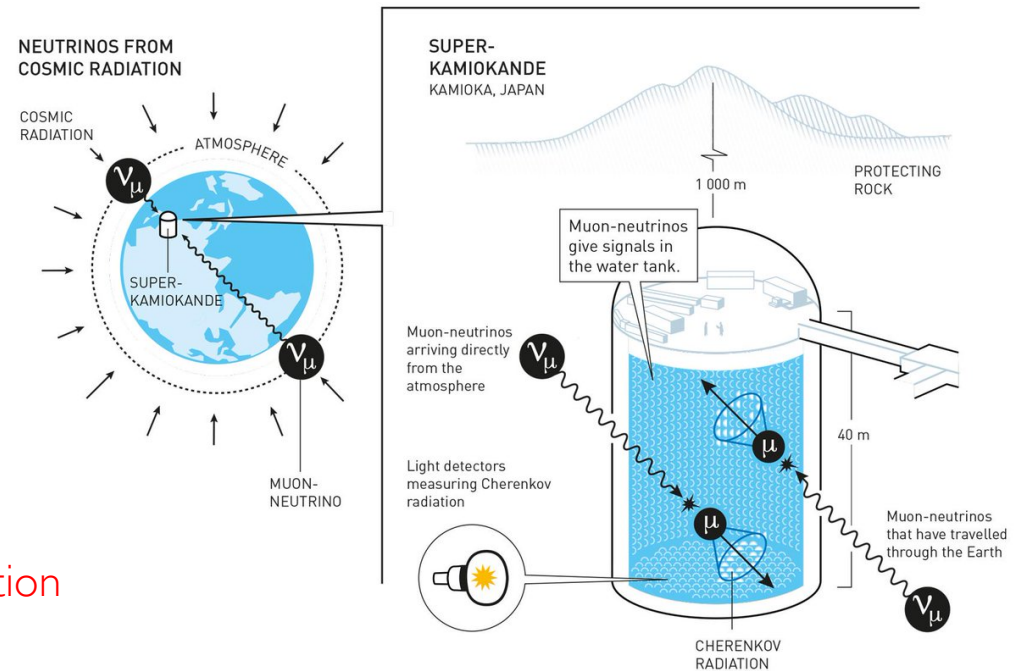


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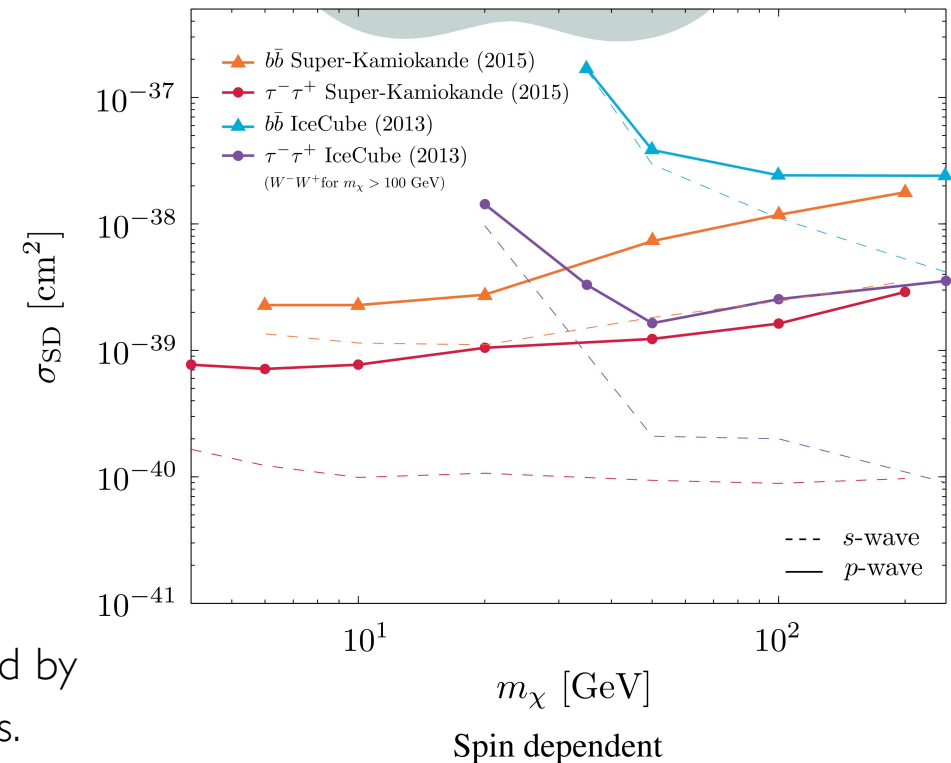
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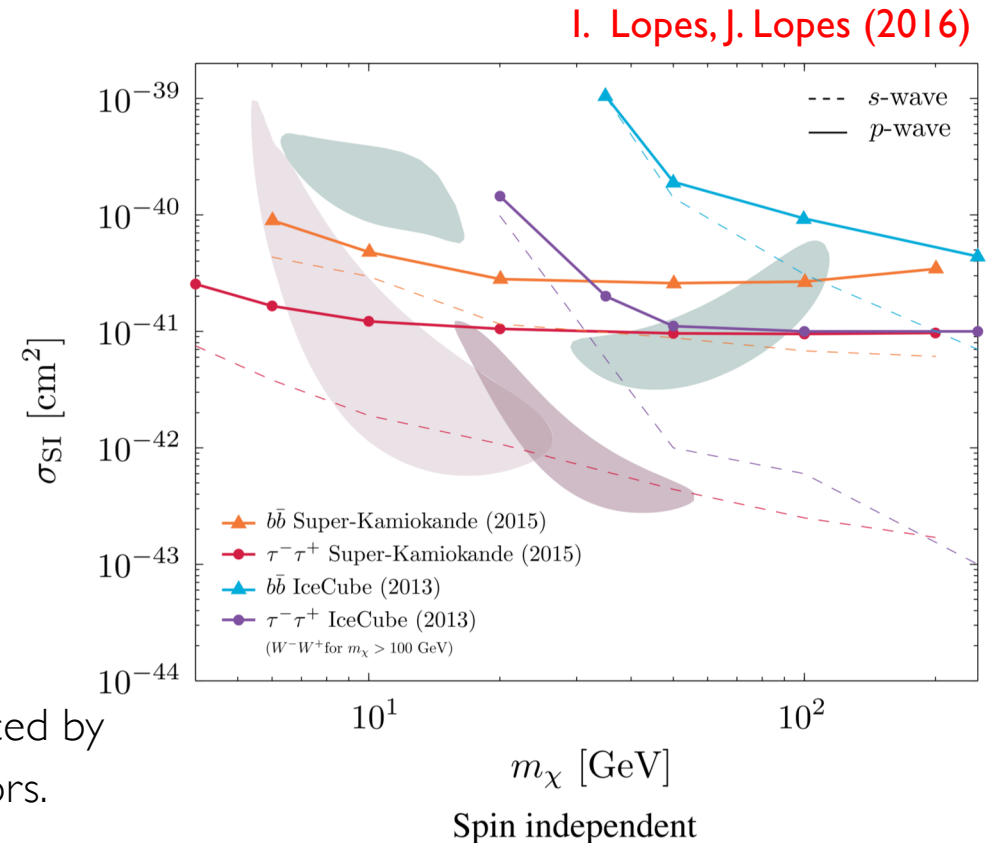
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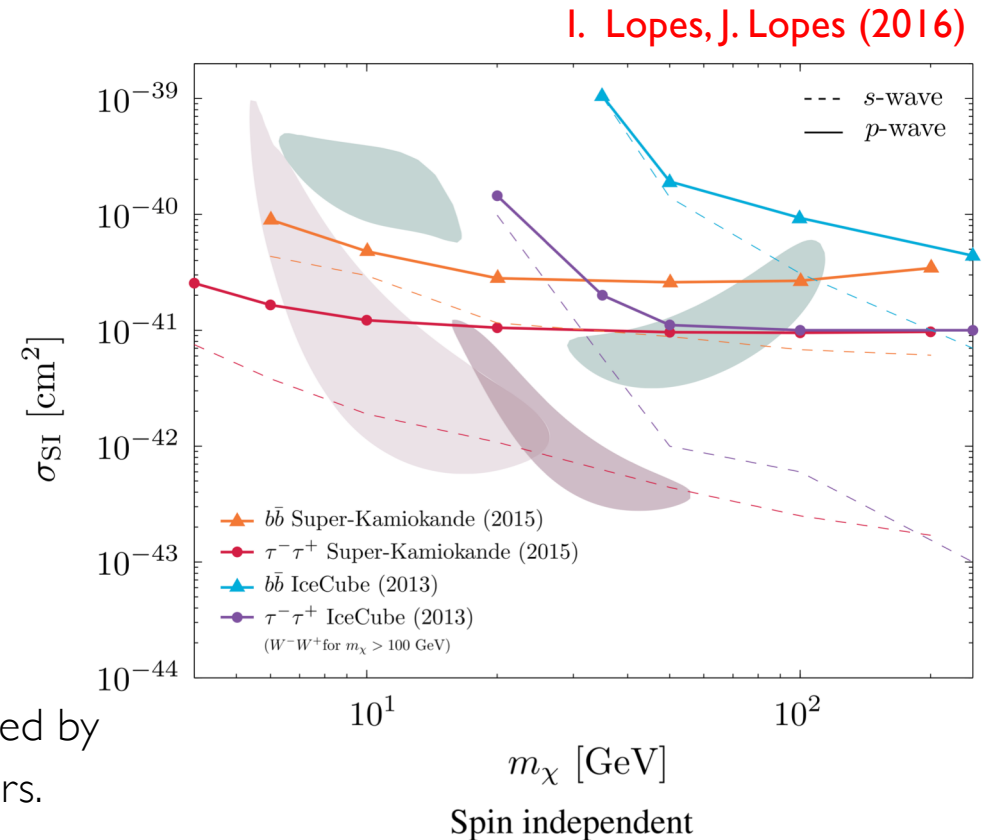
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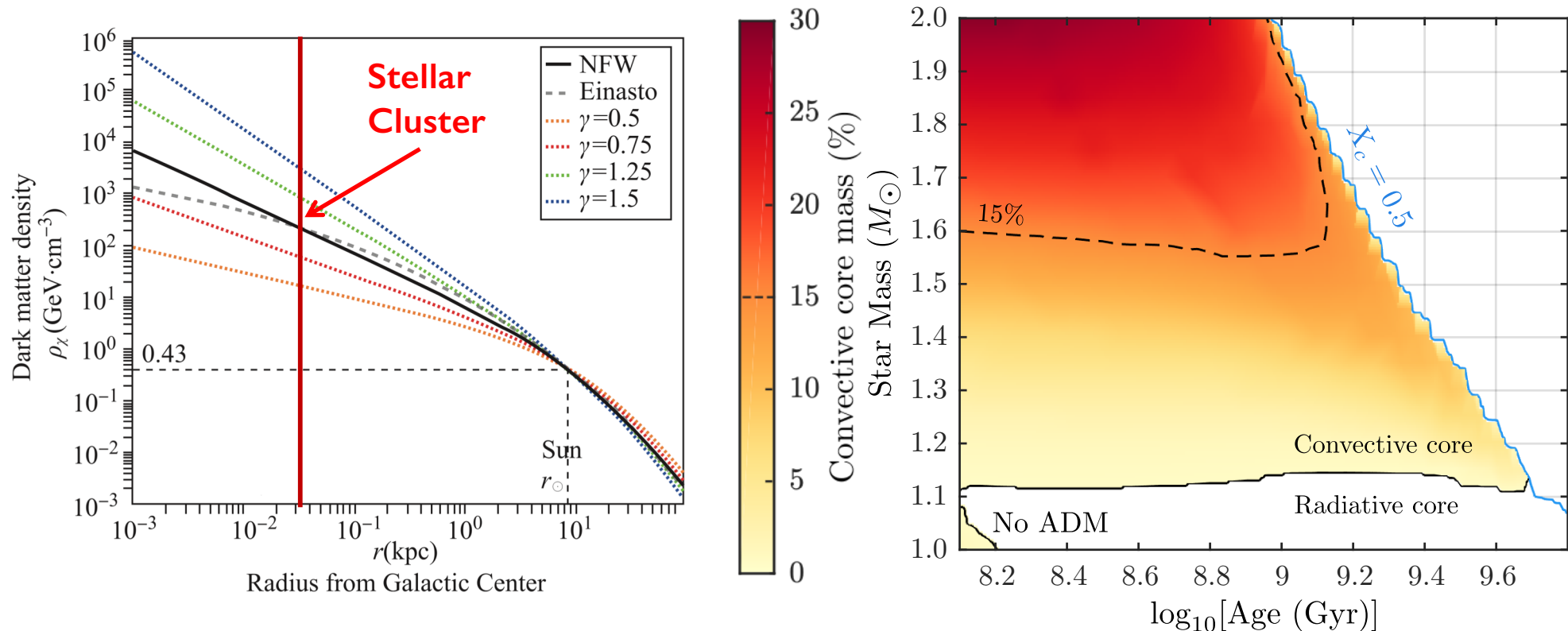
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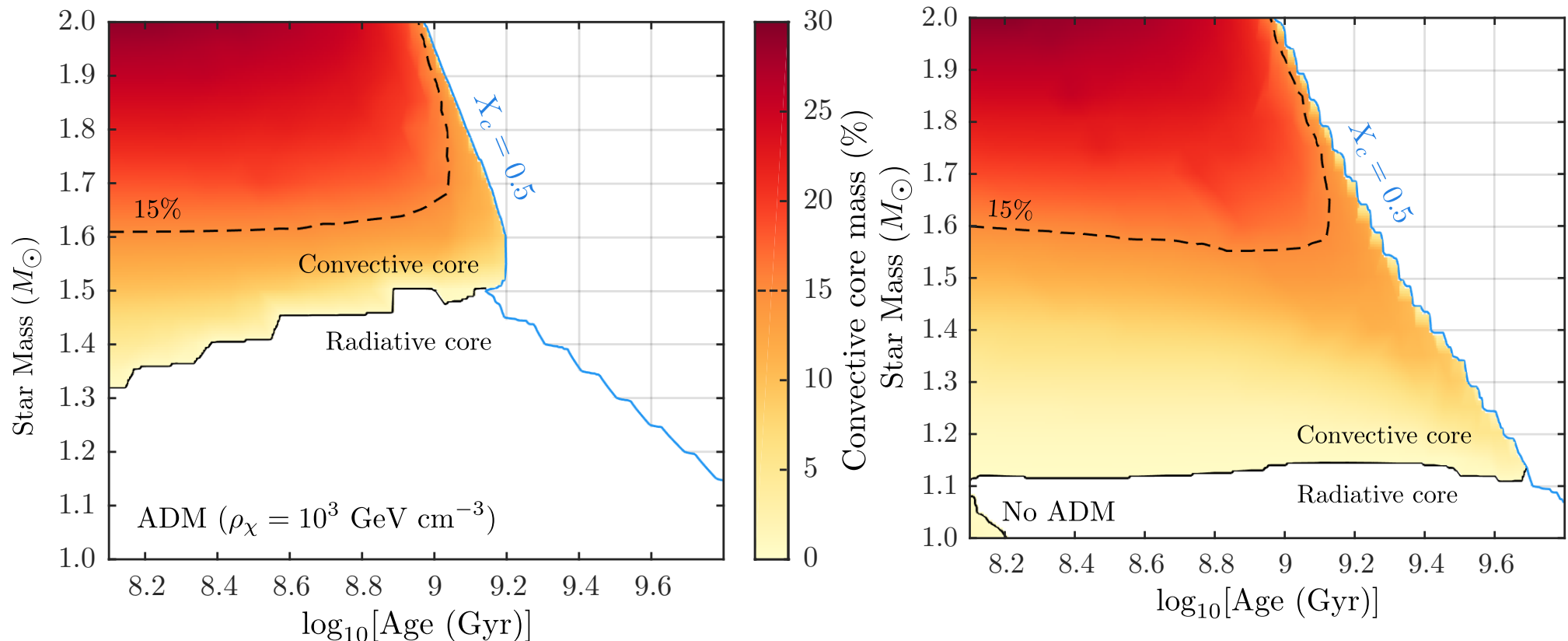


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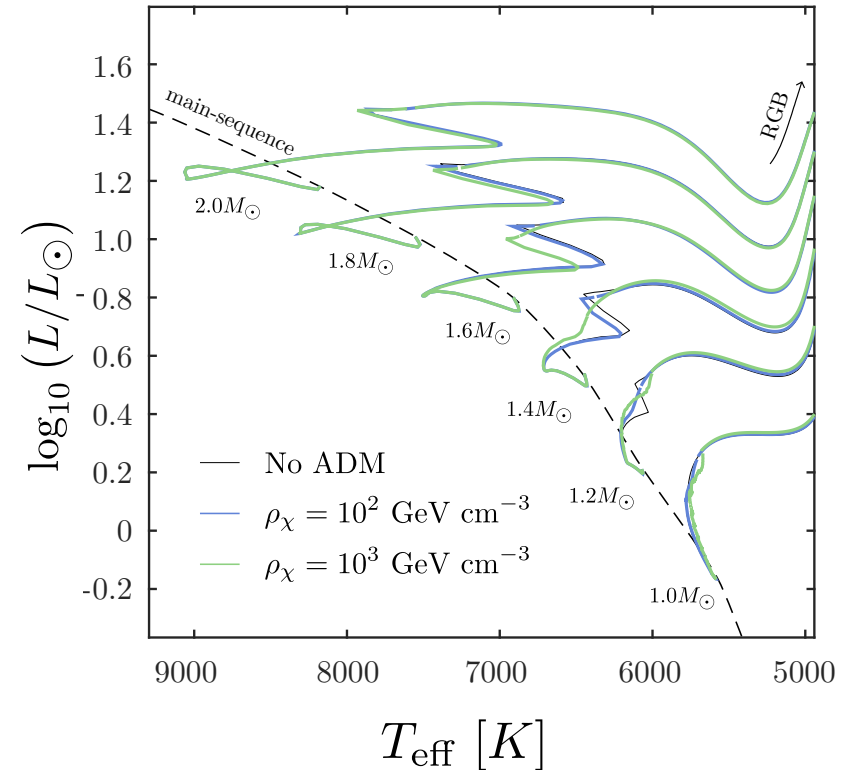
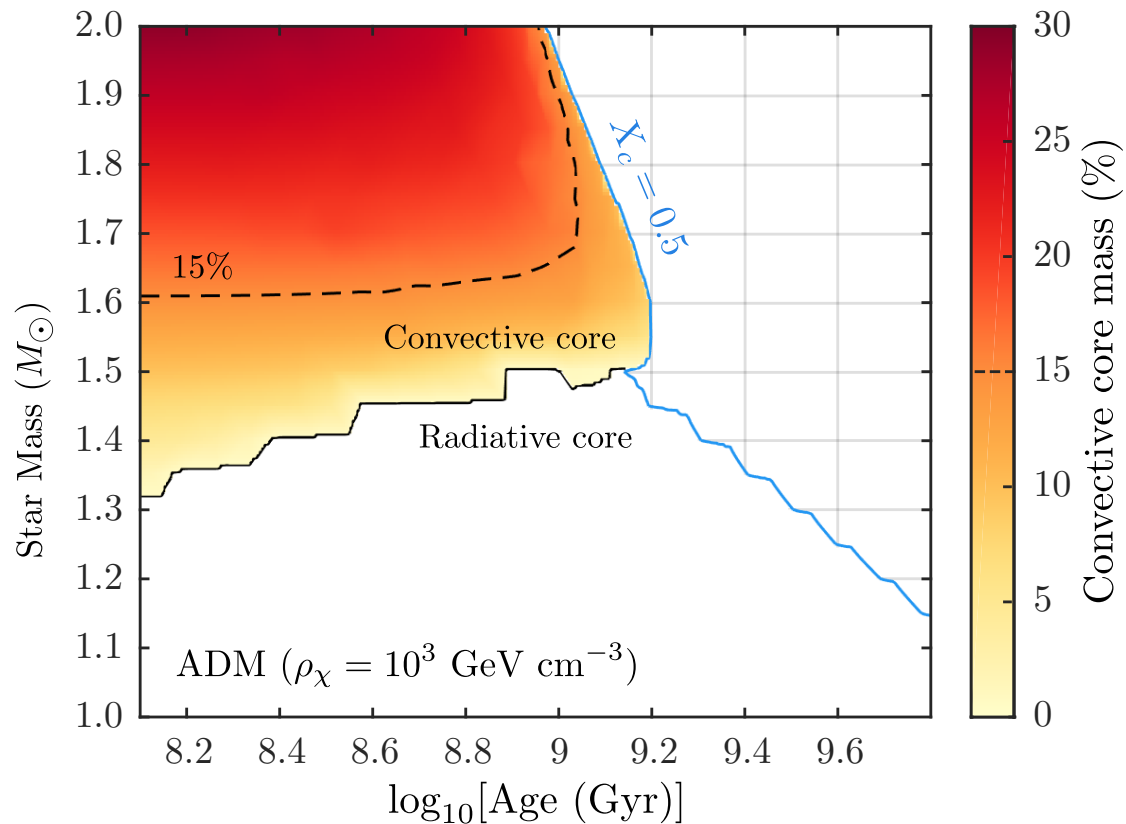


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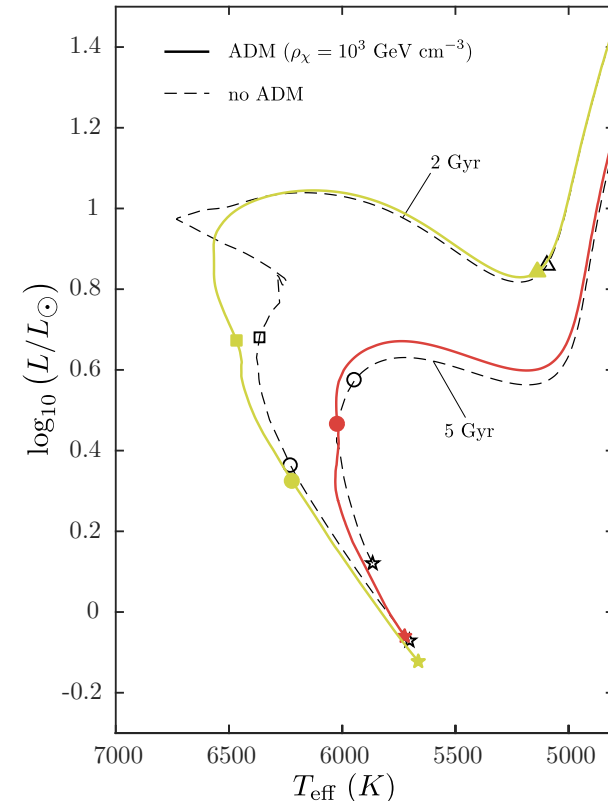
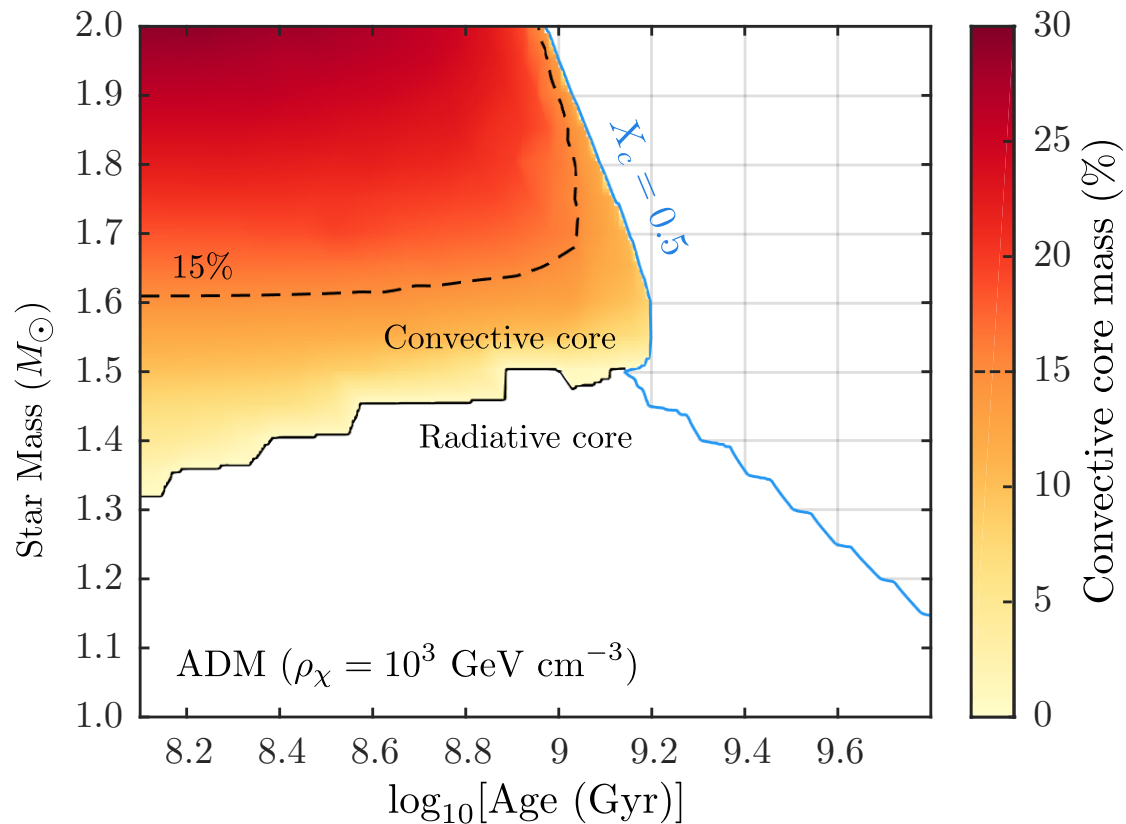


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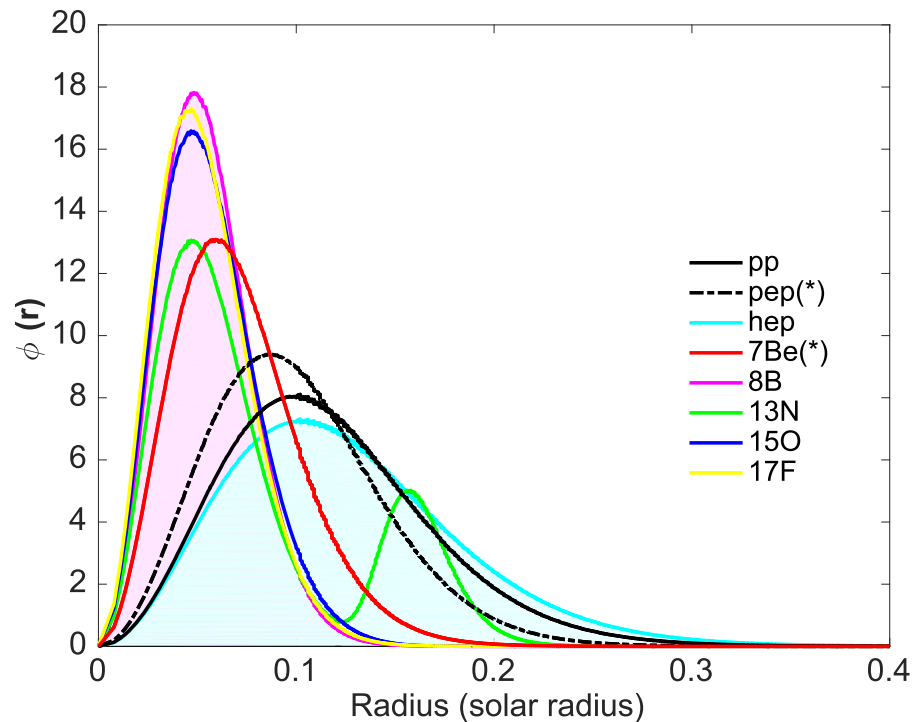
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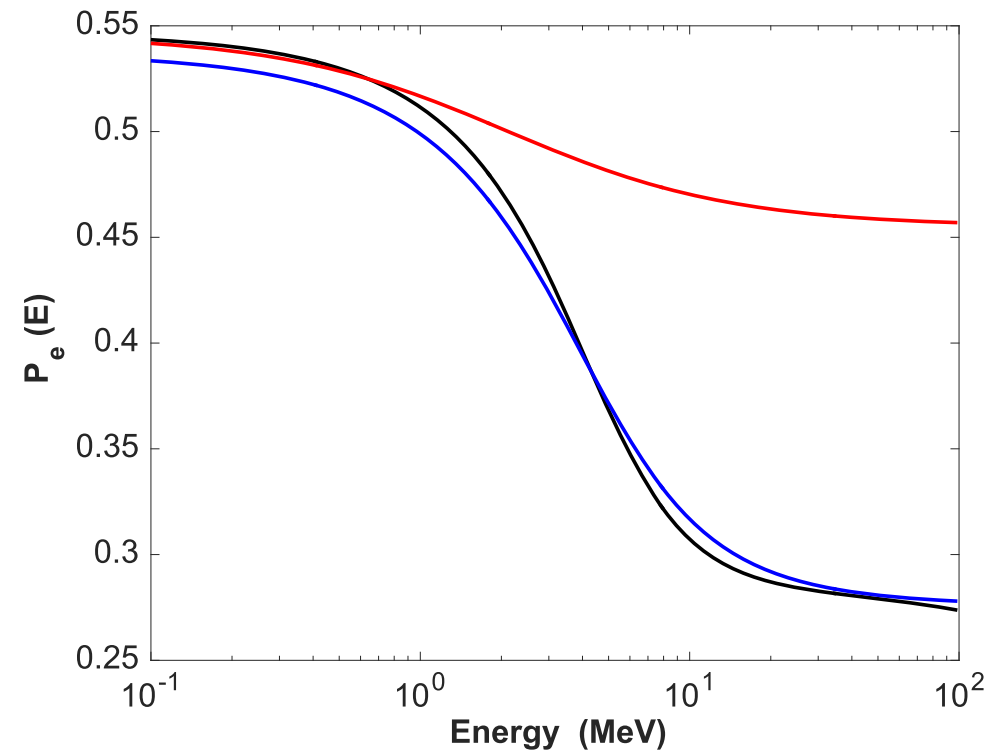
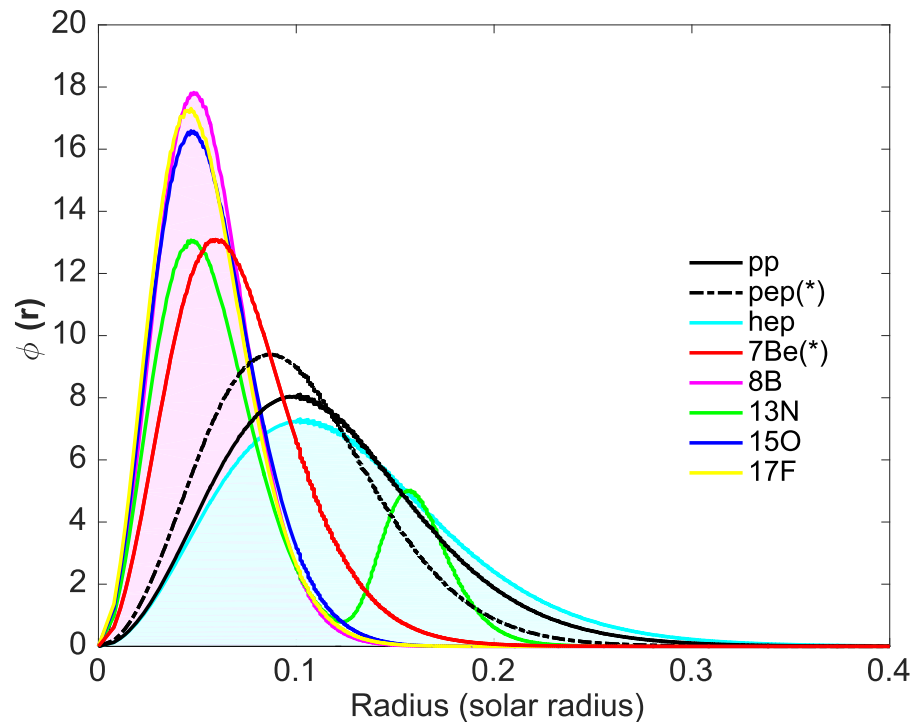


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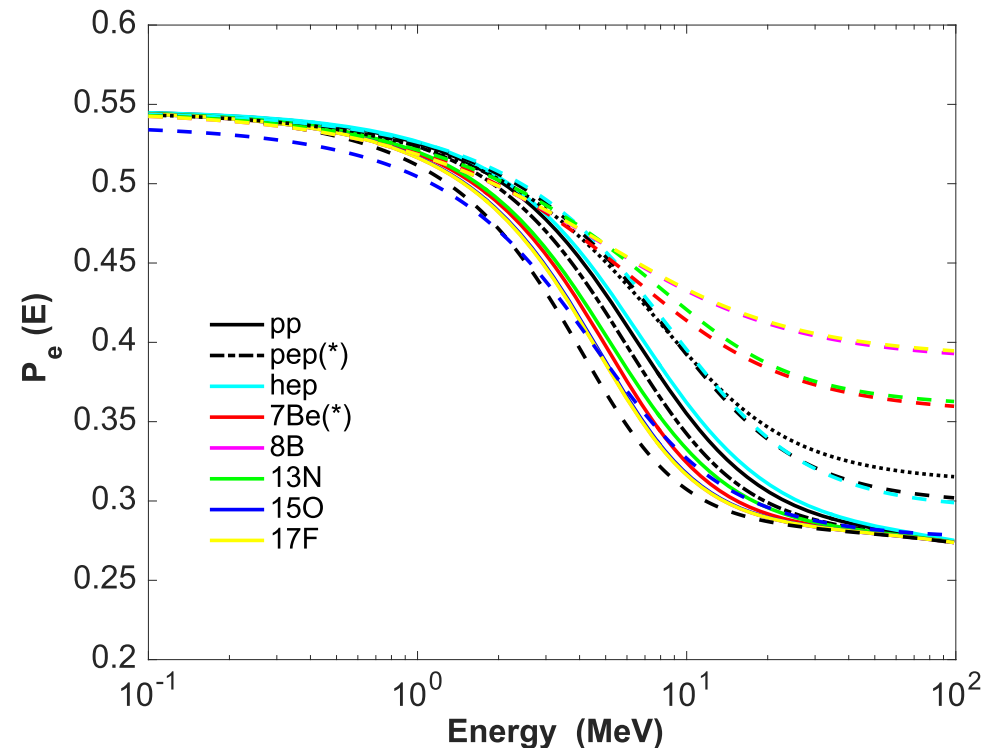
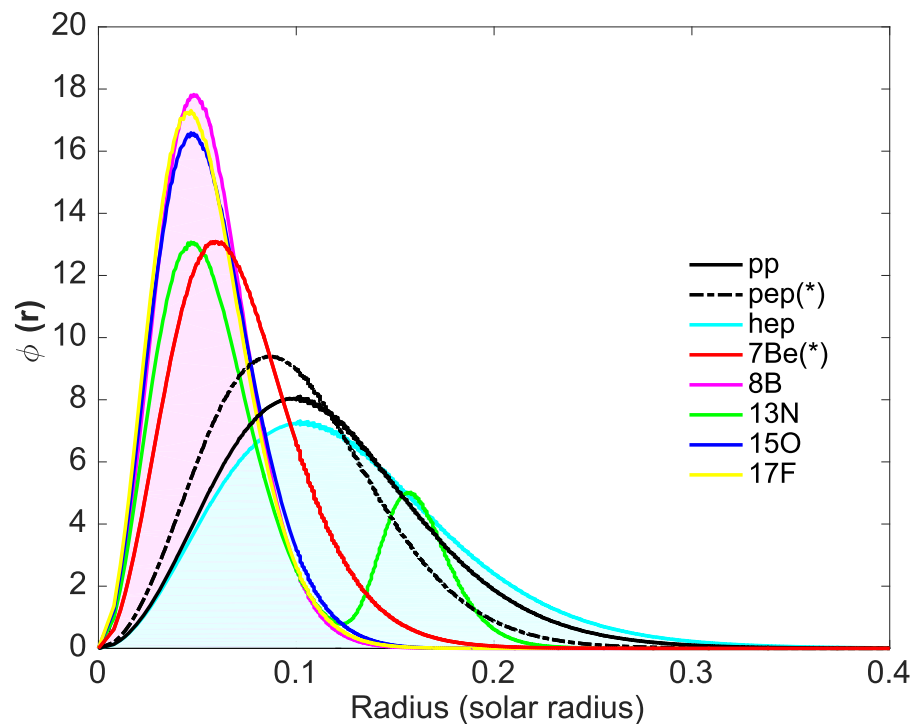


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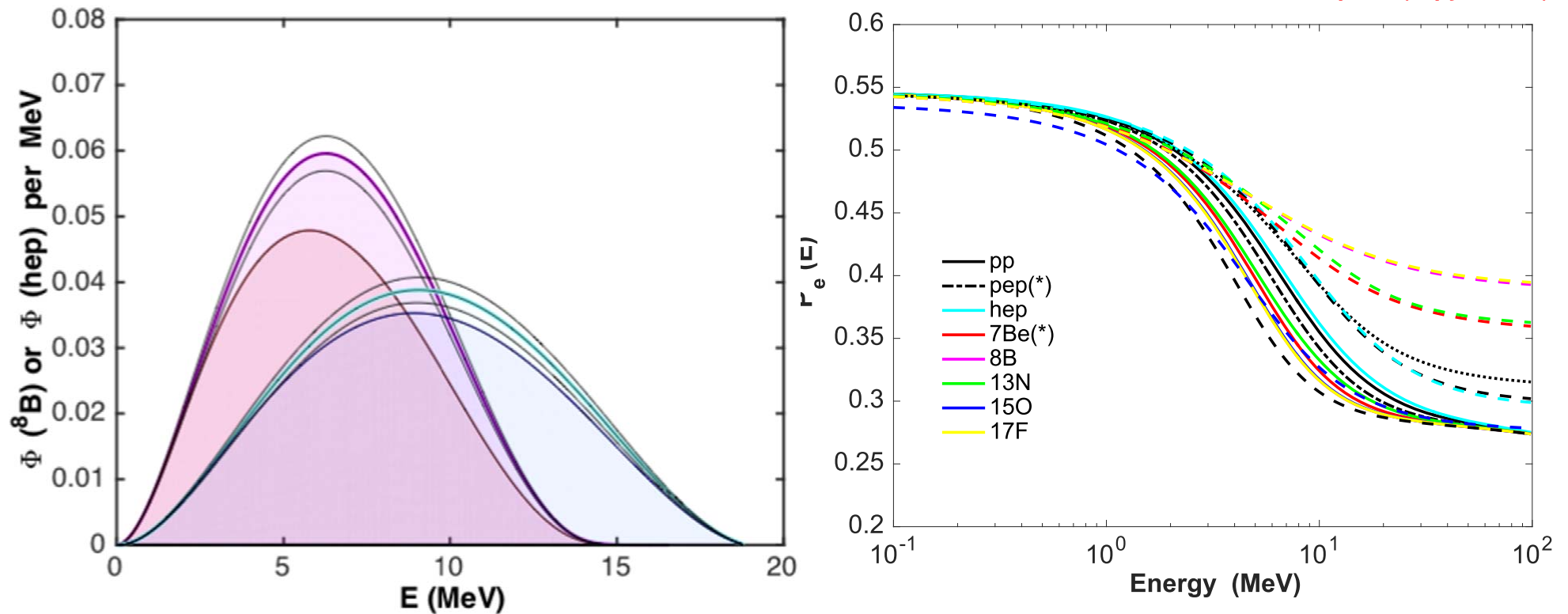


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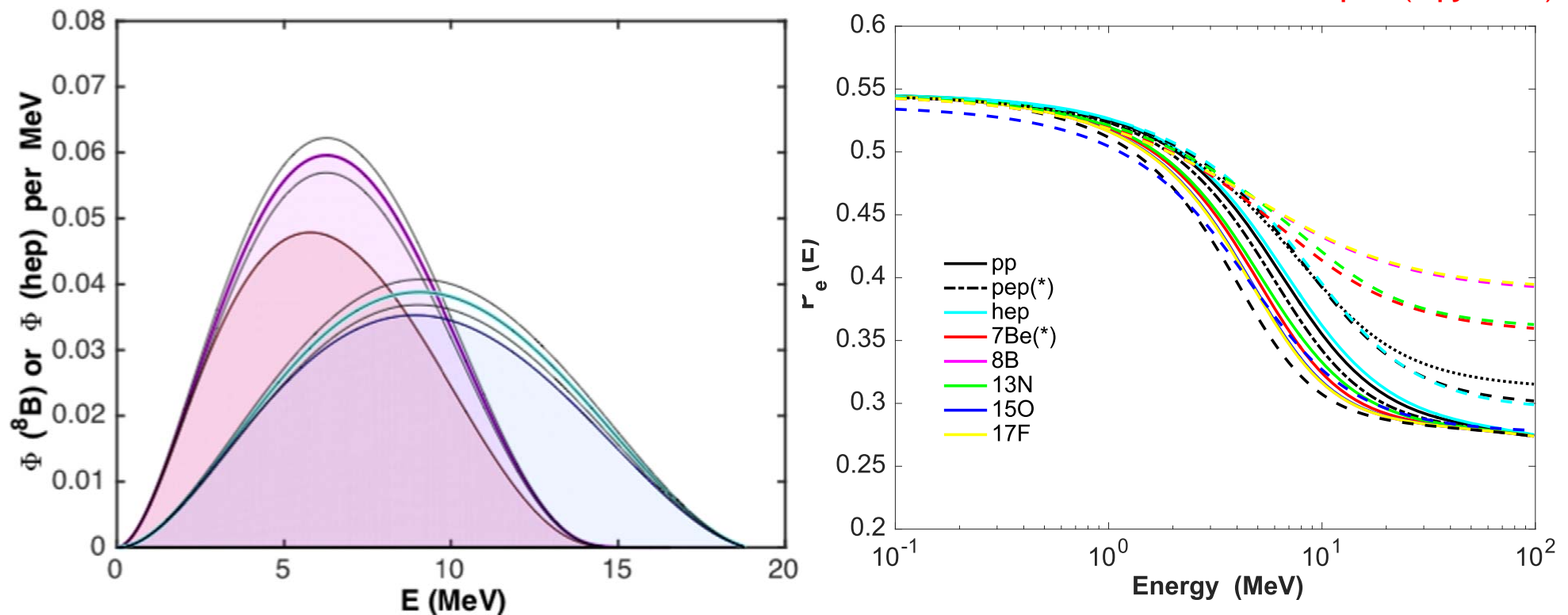


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