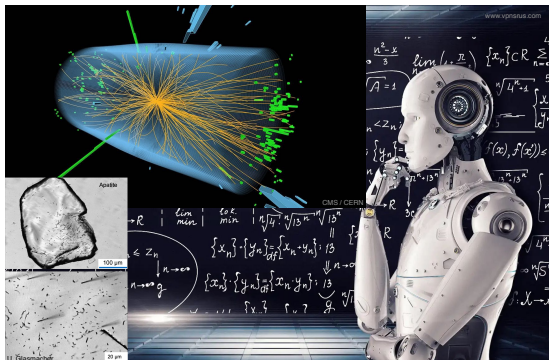


applications of Machine Learning to LHC Searches for charged mediator models and mineral detection searches for dark matter

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Minimal extensions of the SM with a rich phenomenology

DM models with charged mediators

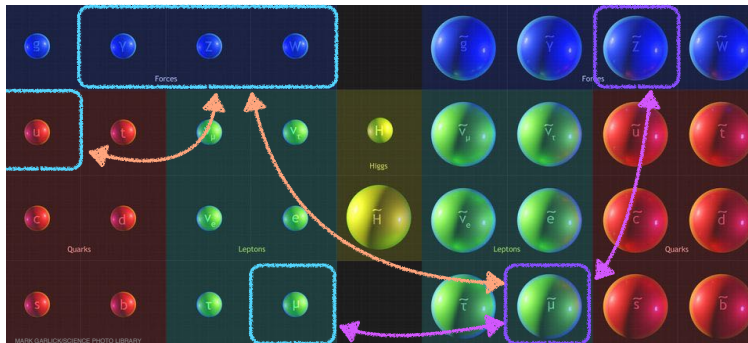
- SM singlet Majorana fermion DM
- Couples to SM through scalar partners of chiral fermions
- Produce mediators at colliders

Interactions similar to MSSM

$$\mathcal{L}_B \supset \lambda_R \tilde{\mu}_R^* \tilde{B} P_R \mu + \lambda_L \tilde{\mu}_L^* \tilde{B} P_L \mu$$

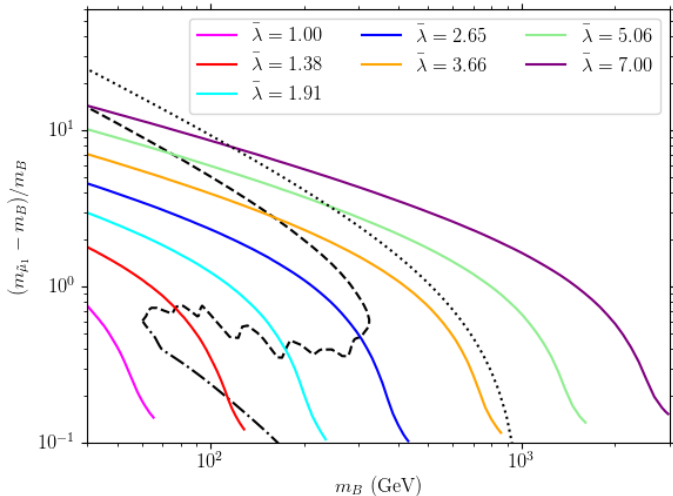
$$\mathcal{L}_\gamma \supset e (\tilde{\mu}_R^* \partial_\rho \tilde{\mu}_R + \tilde{\mu}_L^* \partial_\rho \tilde{\mu}_L) A^\rho$$

$$\mathcal{L}_W \supset g (\tilde{\nu}_\mu^* \partial_\rho \tilde{\mu}_L - \tilde{\mu}_L \partial_\rho \tilde{\nu}_\mu^*) W^\rho$$



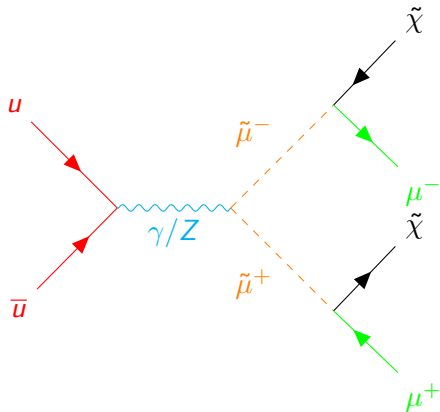
Generalize DM couplings to get Ω_{DM} from DM annihilation

Fix $\theta_{\tilde{\mu}} = -45^\circ$, $m_{\tilde{\mu}_2}/m_{\tilde{\mu}_1} = 1.25$

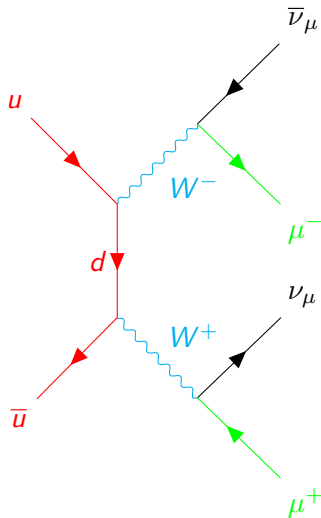


Charged mediator signals in proton collisions at LHC

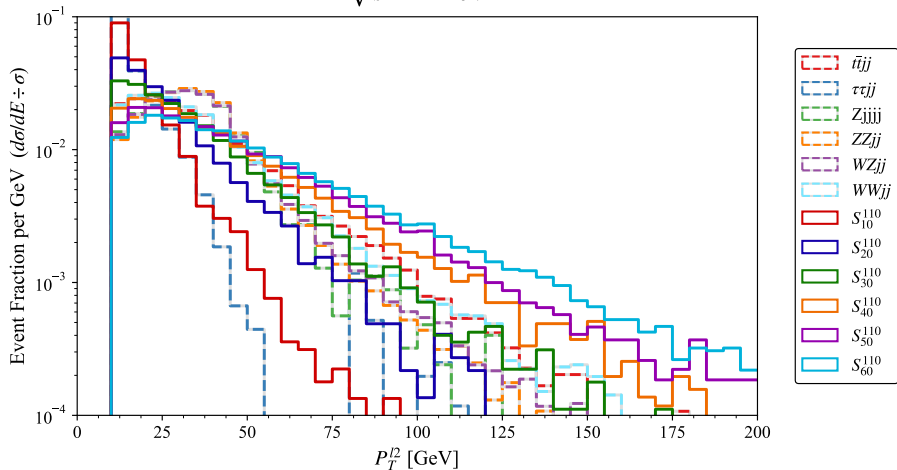
- Protons composed of **quarks**, gluons
- **SM interactions** with **mediators**
- Decay to **leptons** and **invisible DM**



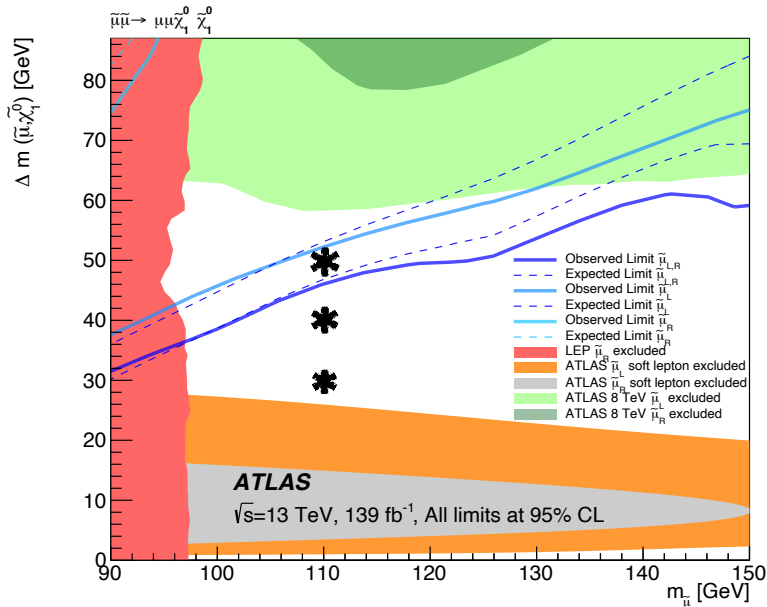
SM background process



100x-1000x more likely

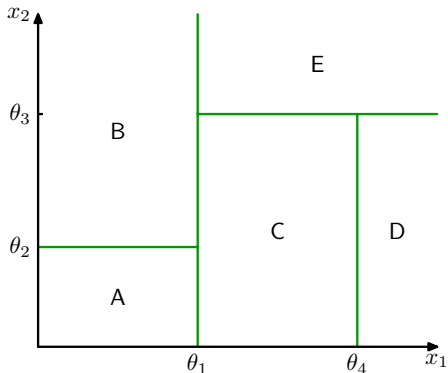
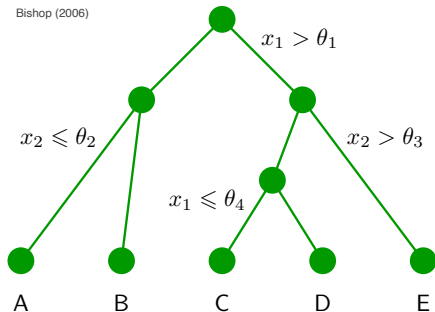
Search $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \cancel{E}_T$ phase space for charged mediators $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$ 

Project $\sim 3\sigma$ sensitivity to $m_{\tilde{\mu}_L} = 110 \text{ GeV}$ at $\mathcal{L} = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Trees partition final state phase space into decision regions

Bishop (2006)



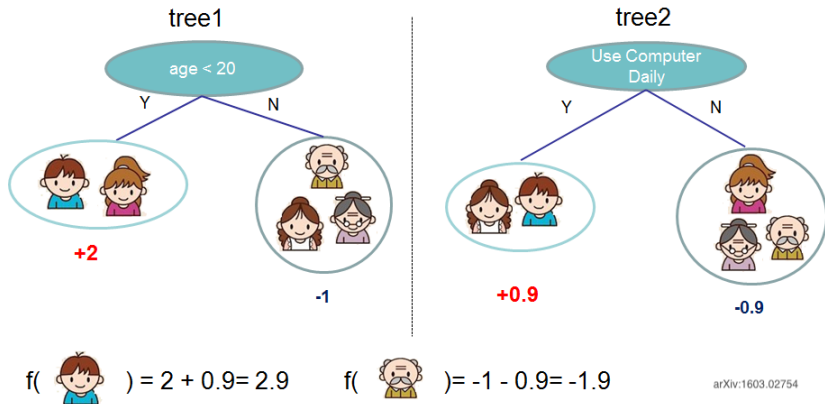
Split leaf nodes to minimize objective

$$\text{obj} = \sum_{\text{data}} \ell(y_i, \hat{y}_i) + \omega(f), \text{ with } \hat{y}_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i) \text{ and regularization } \omega$$

Define tree by score on each leaf

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}_{q(\mathbf{x})}, \text{ vector of scores } \mathbf{w} \text{ with } q \text{ assigning each } \mathbf{x}_i \text{ to a leaf}$$

Ensembles of trees built iteratively using gradient boosting



arXiv:1603.02754

$$\hat{y}_i^{(t)} = \sum_{\text{trees}} f_j(\mathbf{x}_i) = \hat{y}_i^{(t-1)} + f_t(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

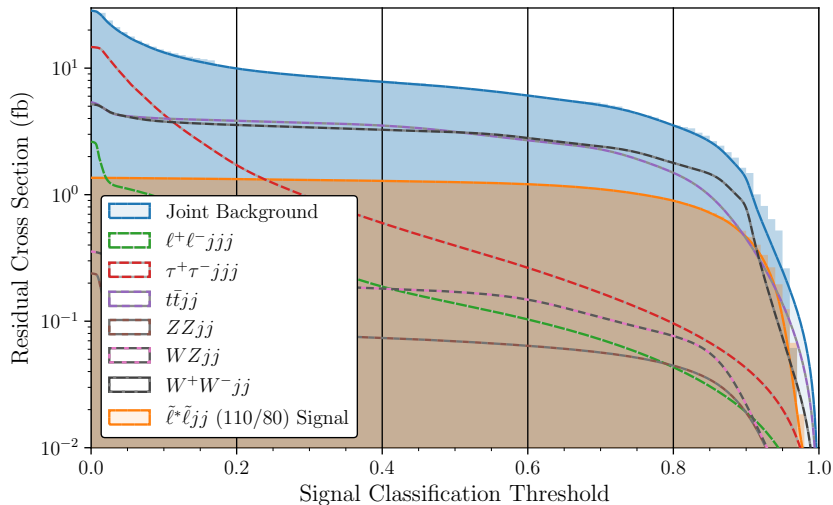
$$\text{obj} = \sum_{\text{data}} \ell(y_i, \hat{y}_i^{(t)}) + \omega(f_t)$$

$$\Delta \ell \approx \sum_{\text{data}} [g_i f_t(\mathbf{x}_i) + h_i f_t^2(\mathbf{x}_i) / 2]$$

$$g_i, h_i = \partial_{\hat{y}_i^{(t-1)}}^{1,2} \ell(y_i, \hat{y}_i^{(t-1)})$$

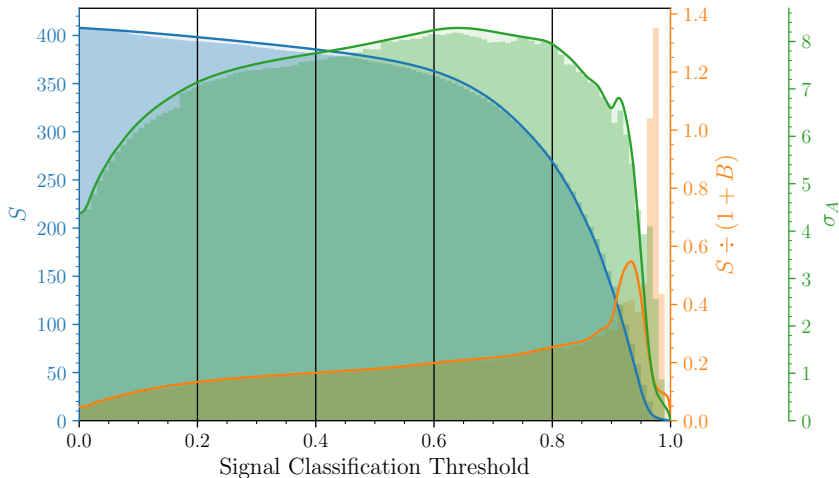
After precuts, train BDT to classify signal and background

Integrated Event Distribution in Validation Fold 1

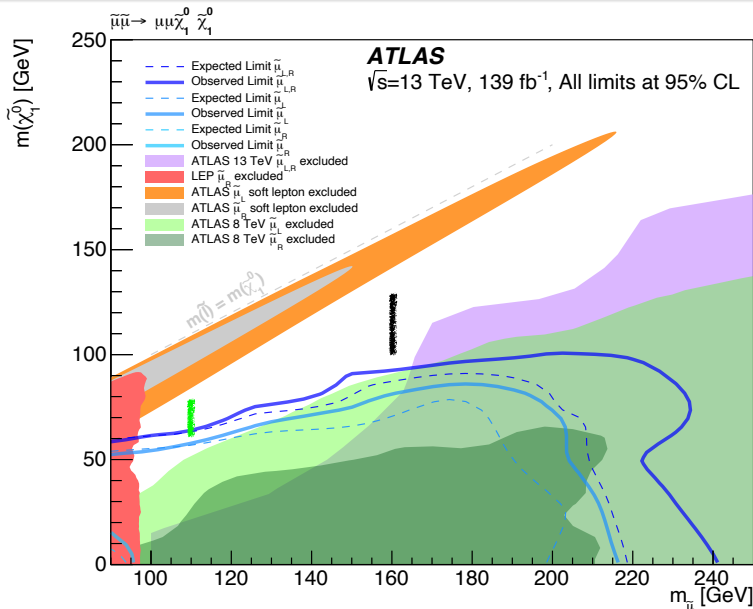


Significance $\gtrsim 6\sigma$ for $m_{\tilde{\mu}_L} = 110 \text{ GeV}$ and $m_\chi = 80 \text{ GeV}$

$\mathcal{L} = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ for Validation Fold 1



Discover $m_{\tilde{\mu}_L} \gtrsim 110 \text{ GeV}$ and exclude $m_{\tilde{\mu}_L} \lesssim 160 \text{ GeV}$



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MD ν DM community

- Groups across Europe, North America and Japan
- Astroparticle theorists, experimentalists, geologists, and materials scientists
- **MD ν DM 2024** workshop in Washington DC in January

Check out our whitepaper!

- History of mineral detectors
- Review of scientific potential for particle physics, reactor neutrinos and geoscience
- Summary of active and planned experimental efforts

Damage tracks from nuclear recoils in ancient minerals

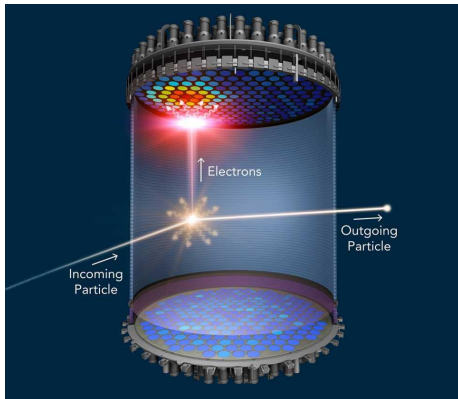


Figure: LUX-ZEPLIN (LZ) Collaboration / SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory

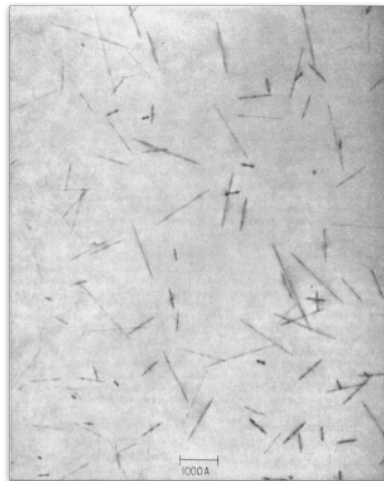
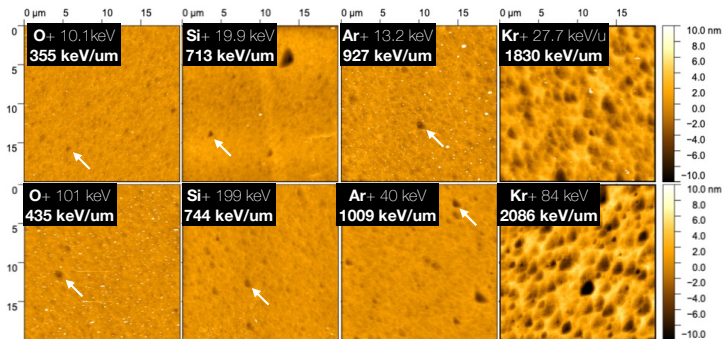


Figure: Price+Walker '63

New techniques allow for much larger readout capacity

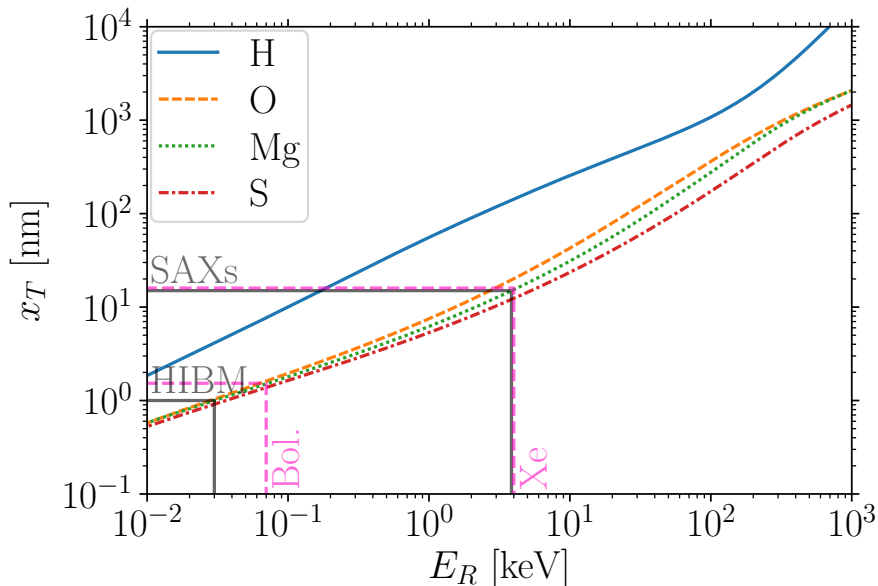


Irradiation dose is 80 ions per field of view (20umx20um).



proxy	DM scattering	alpha recoils
pit formation efficiency	several to 10 %	~ 100%

Integrate stopping power to estimate track length



Cosmogenic backgrounds suppressed in deep boreholes

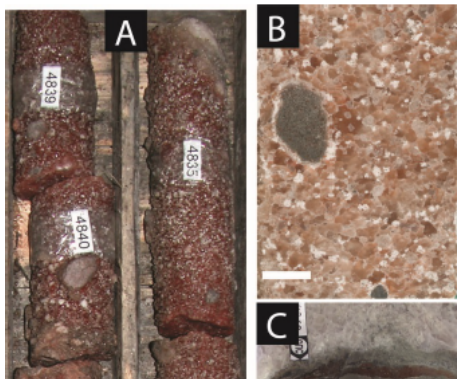


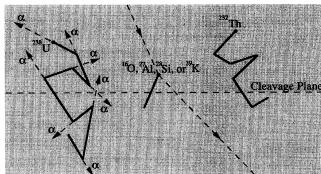
Figure: ~ 2 Gyr old Halite cores from ~ 3 km, as discussed in Blättler+ '18

Depth	Neutron Flux
2 km	$10^6/\text{cm}^2/\text{Gyr}$
5 km	$10^2/\text{cm}^2/\text{Gyr}$
6 km	$10/\text{cm}^2/\text{Gyr}$
50 m	$70/\text{cm}^2/\text{yr}$
100 m	$30/\text{cm}^2/\text{yr}$
500 m	$2/\text{cm}^2/\text{yr}$

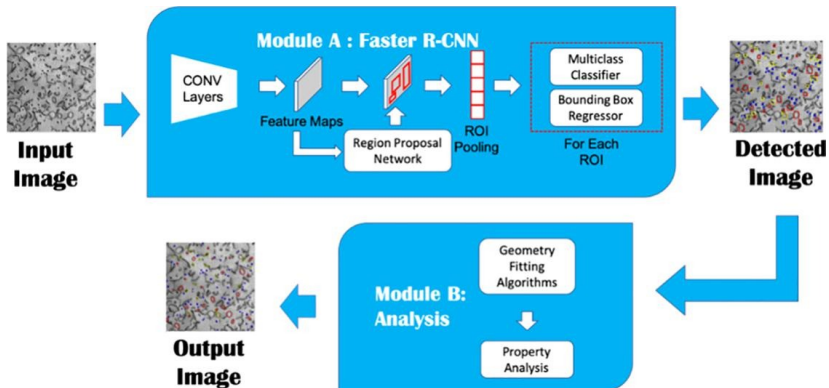
Need minerals with low ^{238}U

- Marine evaporites with $C^{238} \gtrsim 0.01$ ppb
- Ultra-basic rocks from mantle, $C^{238} \gtrsim 0.1$ ppb

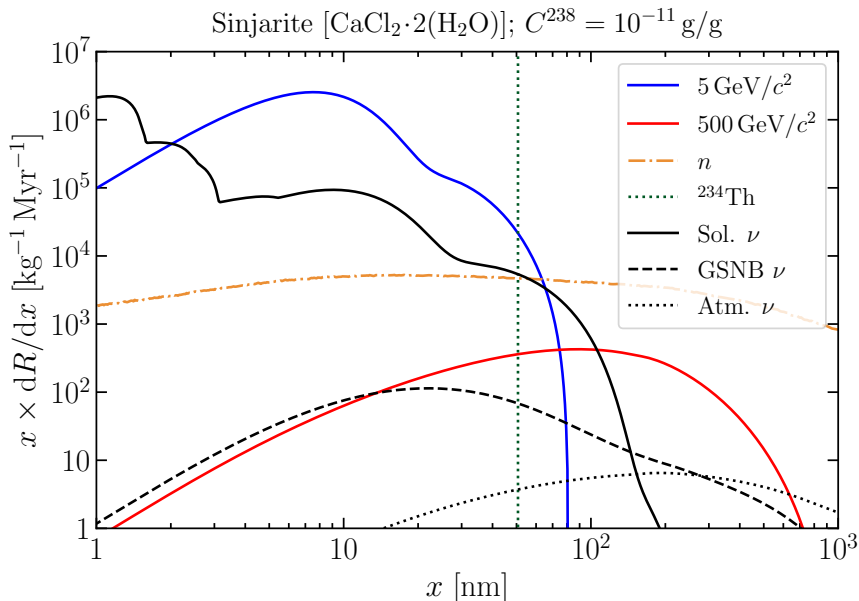
Recognition of sparse tracks is a data analysis challenge



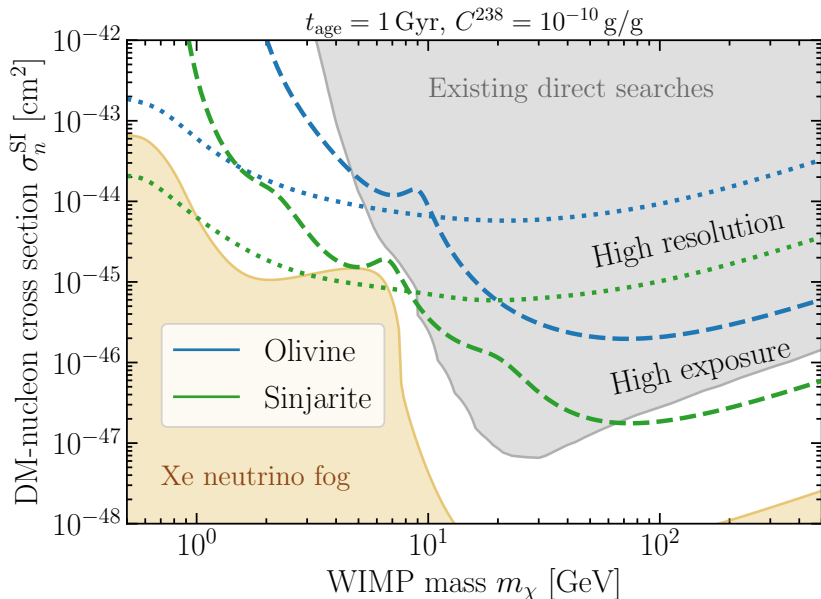
- 15 nm resolution of 100 g sample
 $\Rightarrow 10^{19}$ mostly empty voxels
- 1 Gyr old with $C^{238} = 0.01$ ppb
 $\Rightarrow 10^{13}$ voxels for α -recoil tracks



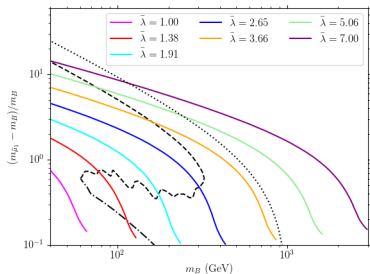
Use track length spectra to pick out WIMP signal



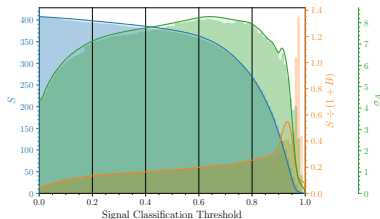
Trade-off between read-out resolution and exposure



Use Machine Learning to probe the nature of Dark Matter



$\mathcal{L} = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ for Validation Fold 1



Improve on cut-and-count analysis for scalar lepton searches at LHC

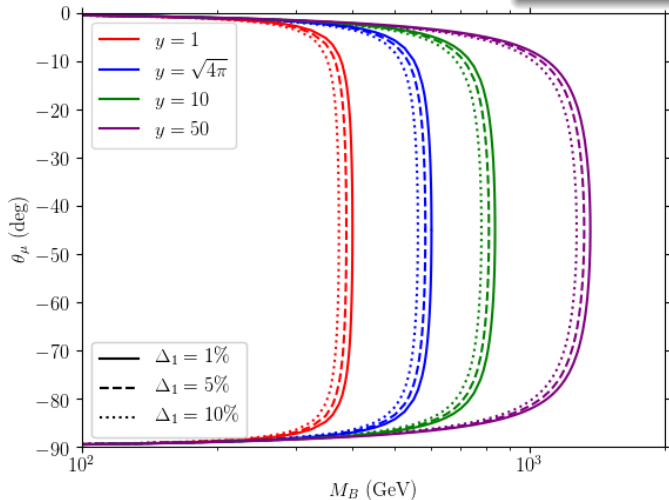
- Sensitivity to $m_{\tilde{\mu}_L} \lesssim 160 \text{ GeV}$
- Systematics $S/B \sim 0.15 - 0.40$
- Kinematic tranching to increase sampling at tails of distributions
- Precuts to bring signal and backgrounds (closer) to parity

Additional ML techniques

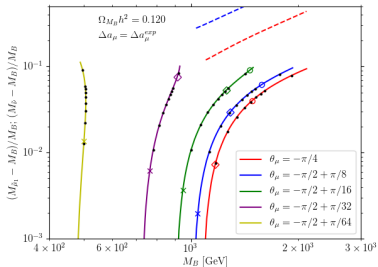
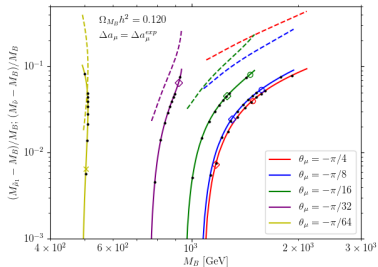
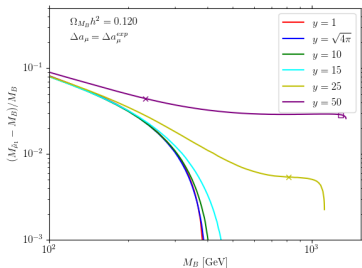
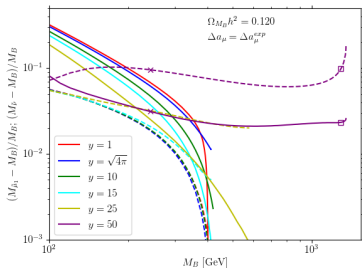
- Deep neural networks
- Convolutional neural networks
- Adversarial neural networks

Motivate/constrain parameter space by requiring $g_{\mu} = 2$

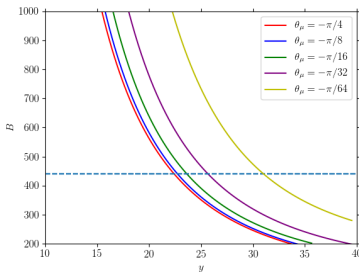
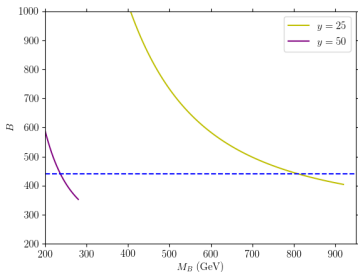
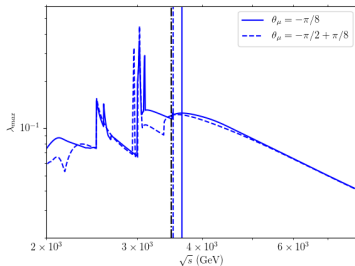
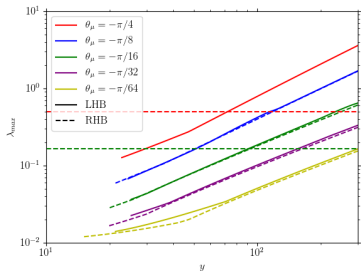
$$y = (m_{\tilde{\mu}_2}^2 - m_{\tilde{\mu}_1}^2) \sin(2\theta_{\tilde{\mu}}) / (4m_W^2)$$



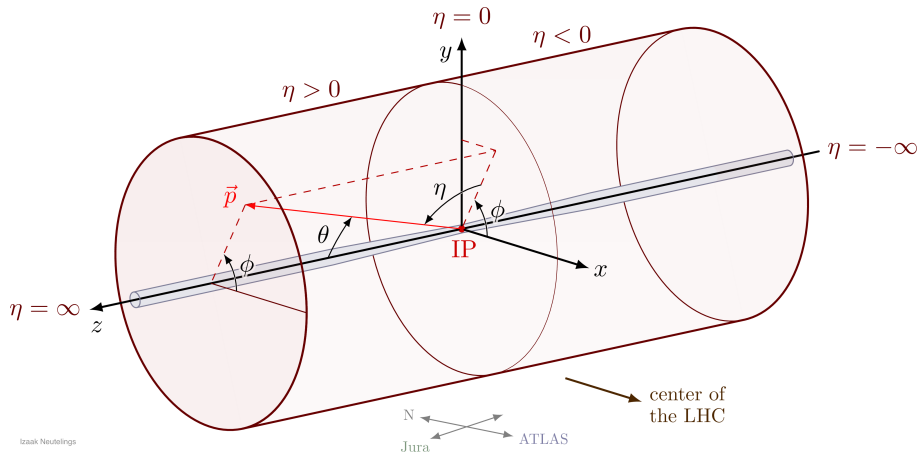
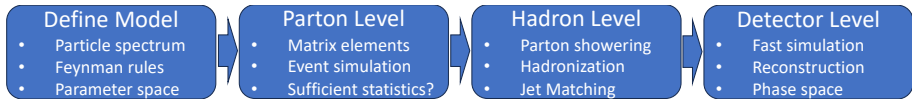
Parameter space for Δa_μ and Ω_{DM} from co-annihilation



Perturbative unitarity and electroweak vacuum stability



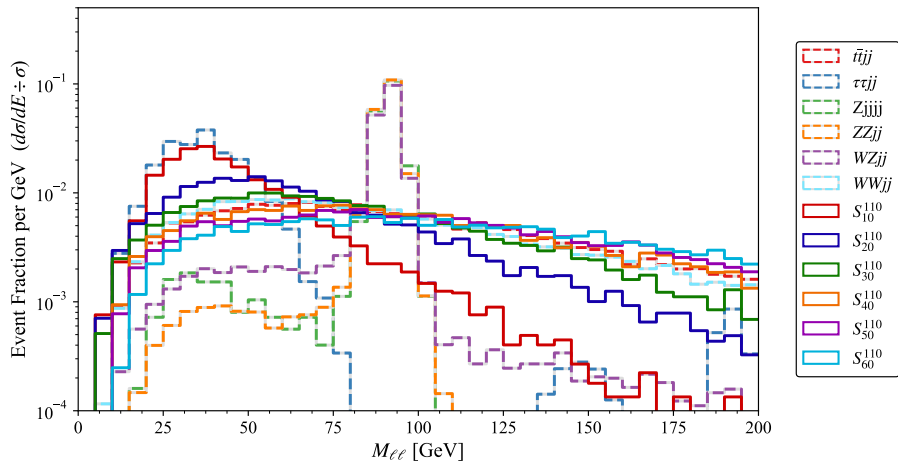
Simulation chain for new physics at LHC



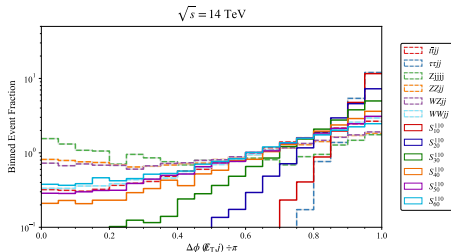
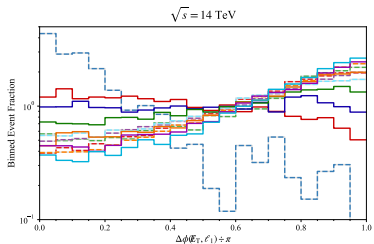
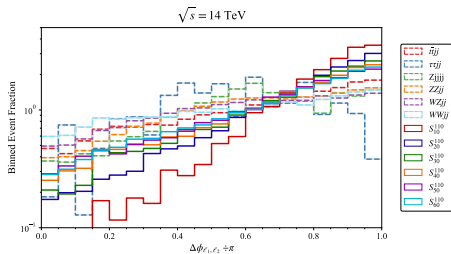
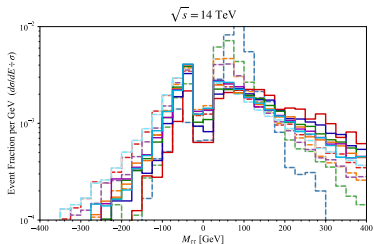
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Construct higher level features

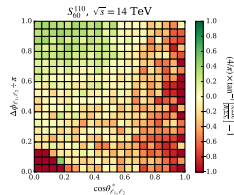
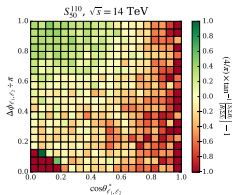
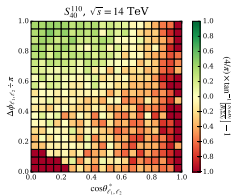
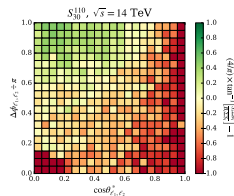
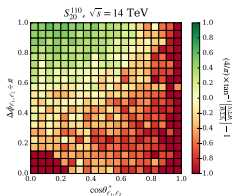
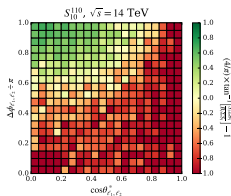
$$\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$$



More kinematic distributions



2D histograms of angular kinematic distributions

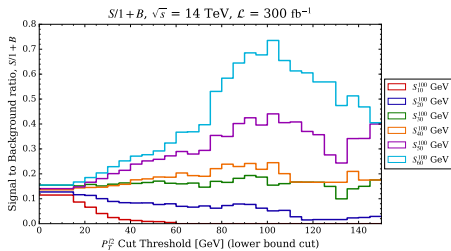
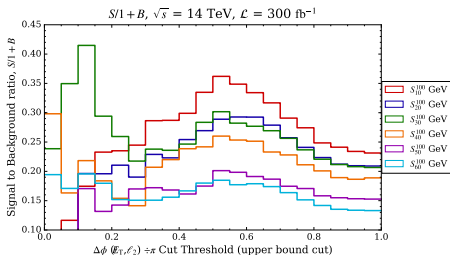


Residual cross sections (fb) for primary and secondary cuts

Primary Selection	$t\bar{t}jj$	$\tau\tau jj$	$Zjjj$	$WWjj$	S_{30}^{110}	S_{40}^{110}
Matched Production	6.1×10^5	5.6×10^4	5.2×10^7	9.5×10^4	1.9×10^2	1.9×10^2
τ -veto	5.4×10^5	3.0×10^4	5.1×10^7	8.9×10^4	1.9×10^2	1.9×10^2
OSSF muon	3.5×10^3	4.3×10^2	6.0×10^5	5.1×10^2	8.1×10^1	8.8×10^1
exactly 1J $P_T > 30$	6.6×10^2	2.6×10^2	7.1×10^4	1.1×10^2	1.6×10^1	1.7×10^1
Jet b -veto	1.9×10^2	2.5×10^2	7.0×10^4	1.1×10^2	1.6×10^1	1.7×10^1
$\cancel{E}_T > 30$ GeV	1.6×10^2	1.8×10^2	8.9×10^3	9.2×10^1	1.3×10^1	1.4×10^1

Secondary Selection	$t\bar{t}jj$	$\tau\tau jj$	$Zjjj$	$WWjj$	S_{30}^{110}	S_{40}^{110}
$m_{\ell\ell} \notin M_Z \pm 10$ GeV	1.4×10^2	1.8×10^2	6.2×10^2	7.9×10^1	1.1×10^1	1.2×10^1
$\cos\theta_{\ell_1, \ell_2}^* < 0.5$	8.1×10^1	1.6×10^2	4.7×10^2	4.5×10^1	8.0×10^0	9.0×10^0
$m_{\tau\tau} > 125$ GeV	2.7×10^1	2.3×10^1	8.7×10^1	1.4×10^1	3.6×10^0	3.9×10^0
$\cancel{E}_T > 125$ GeV	2.9×10^0	6.6×10^{-1}	0	2.3×10^0	6.6×10^{-1}	7.1×10^{-1}
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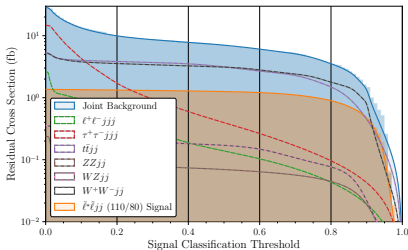
Tertiary cuts for optimized for intermediate mass gaps



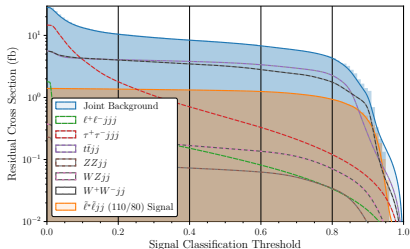
Tertiary Selection	$t\bar{t}jj$	$\tau\tau jj$	$WWjj$	S_{30}^{110}	S_{40}^{110}
$\Delta\phi(\ell_1, \ell_2) \div \pi > 0.5$	1.1×10^0	5.5×10^{-3}	1.3×10^0	4.4×10^{-1}	4.1×10^{-1}
$\Delta\phi(\cancel{E}_T, \ell_1) \div \pi < 0.6$	4.8×10^{-1}	5.5×10^{-3}	9.0×10^{-1}	3.3×10^{-1}	3.0×10^{-1}
$\Delta\phi(\cancel{E}_T, \ell_2) \div \pi < 0.6$	1.8×10^{-1}	0	5.1×10^{-1}	2.2×10^{-1}	2.0×10^{-1}
Events at $\mathcal{L} = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	52.8	0	151.7	66.0	60.0
$S \div (1+B)$	-	-	-	0.30	0.27
$S \div \sqrt{1+B}$	-	-	-	4.4	4.0

Additional folds for event distributions

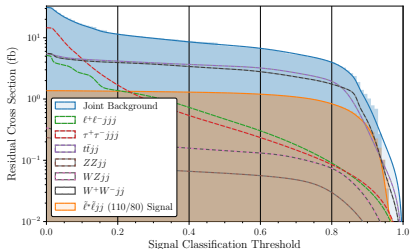
Integrated Event Distribution in Validation Fold 1



Integrated Event Distribution in Validation Fold 2

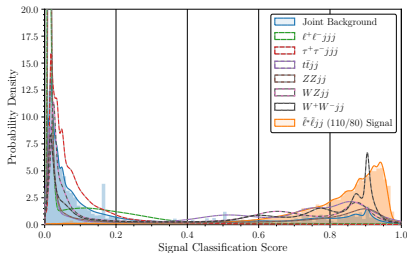


Integrated Event Distribution in Validation Fold 3

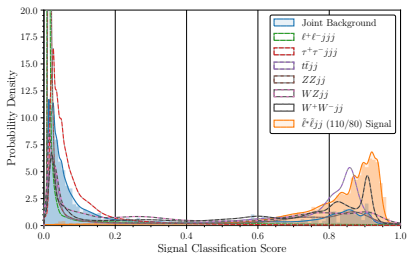


Additional folds for probability distributions

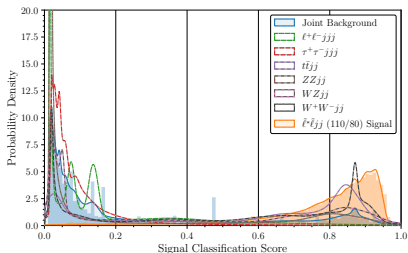
Normalized Event Distribution in Validation Fold 1



Normalized Event Distribution in Validation Fold 2

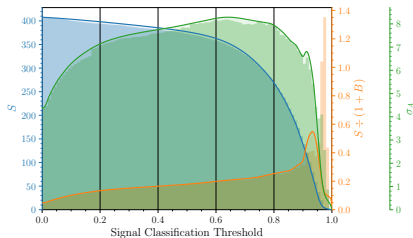


Normalized Event Distribution in Validation Fold 3

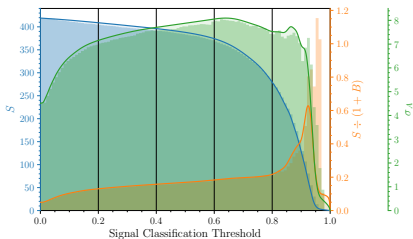


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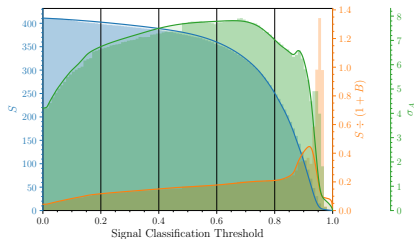
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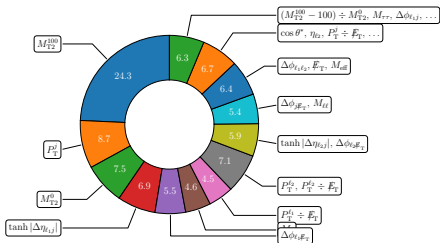


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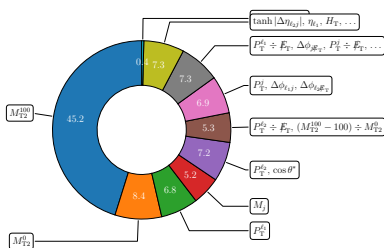


Features most important for BDT rejecting $t\bar{t}$, W^+W^-

$t\bar{t}jj$ Background in Training Fold 1



W^+W^-jj Background in Training Fold 1



Relative contributions to reduction in ensemble objective function

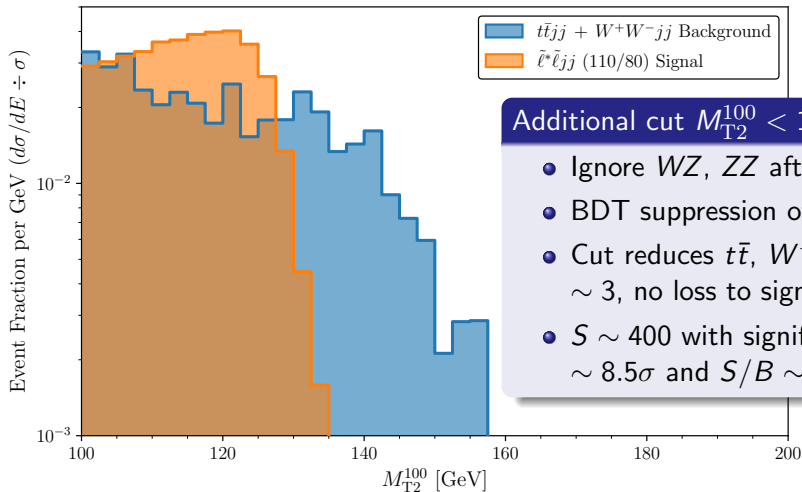
- Sensitive to number of nodes
- Events through those nodes
- Weights carried by those events

M_{T2}^{100} dominates total gain for BDT trained for individual $t\bar{t}$, W^+W^-

Minimal mass of pair-produced parent to decay into $\ell + (\chi)(\nu)$ assuming $m_{\chi, \nu} = 100 \text{ GeV}$

M_{T2}^{100} distribution for signal vs. $t\bar{t}$, W^+W^- after precuts

Normalized Event Distribution



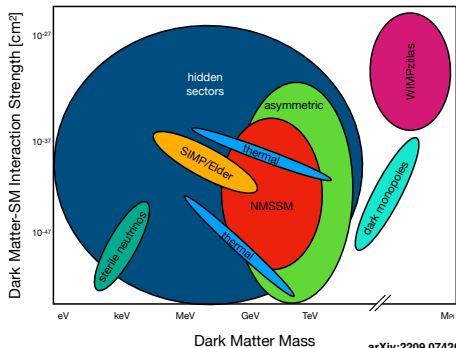
Additional cut $M_{T2}^{100} < 130$ GeV

- Ignore WZ , ZZ after precuts
- BDT suppression of $\mu\mu$, $\tau\tau$
- Cut reduces $t\bar{t}$, W^+W^- by ~ 3 , no loss to signal events
- $S \sim 400$ with significance $\sim 8.5\sigma$ and $S/B \sim 0.18$

What do we (not) know about dark matter?

What we (typically) assume

- No E&M interactions
- Must be cold and stable
- Not in the Standard Model



Cleaving and etching limits ϵ and can only reconstruct 2D

Readout scenarios for different x_T

- HIBM+pulsed laser could read out 10 mg with nm resolution
- SAXs at a synchrotron could resolve 15 nm in 3D for 100 g

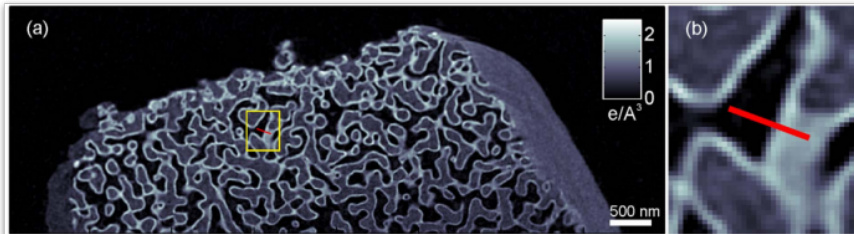
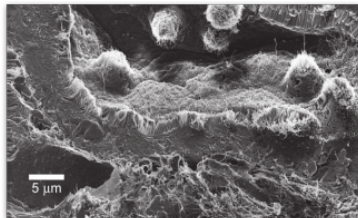
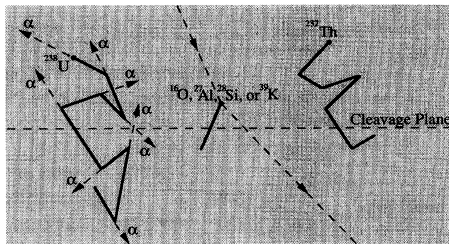
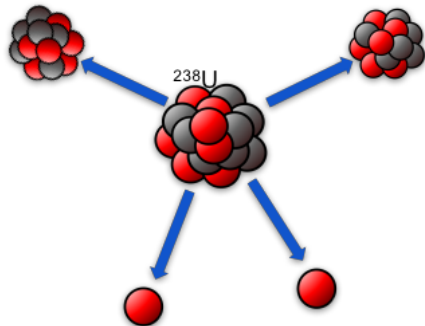
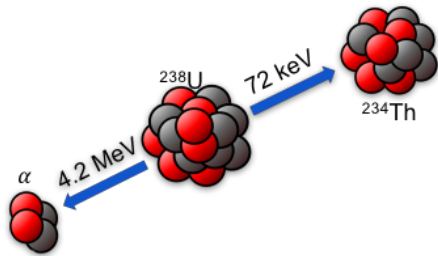


Figure: HIM rodent kidney Hill+ '12, SAXs nanoporous glass Holler+ '14

Find α -recoils and model radiogenic neutron background



SF yields several \sim MeV neutrons

Each neutron will scatter elastically
10-1000 times before moderating

Scattering cross sections \Rightarrow scattering rates

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dq^2 d\Omega_q} = \frac{d\sigma}{dq^2} \frac{1}{2\pi} \delta\left(\cos\theta - \frac{q}{2\mu_{\chi T} v}\right) \simeq \frac{\sigma_0 F(q)^2}{8\pi \mu_{\chi T}^2 v} \delta\left(v \cos\theta - \frac{q}{2\mu_{\chi T}}\right)$$

$$\frac{d^2 R}{dE_R d\Omega_q} = 2M_T \frac{N_T}{M_T N_T} \int \frac{d^2\sigma}{dq^2 d\Omega_q} n_X v f(v) d^3v \simeq \frac{\sigma_0 F(q)^2}{4\pi \mu_{\chi T}} n_X \hat{f}(v_q, \hat{q})$$

Differential cross section

- δ -function imposes **kinematics**
- σ_0 is velocity and momentum independent cross section for **scattering off pointlike nucleus**

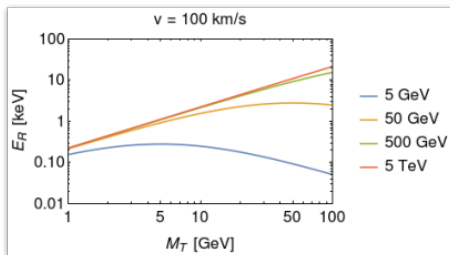
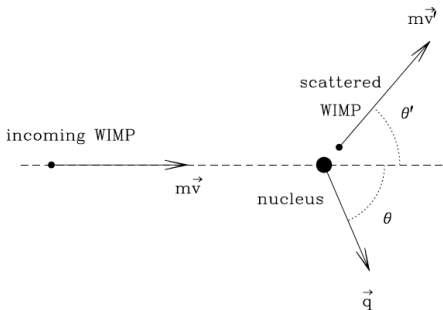
$$F(q) \simeq \frac{9 [\sin(qR) - qR \cos(qR)]^2}{(qR)^6}$$

Differential scattering rate

- Rate per unit time per unit **detector mass** for **all nuclei**
- Convolute cross section with **astrophysical WIMP flux**

$$\sigma_0^{SI} = \frac{4}{\pi} \mu_{\chi T}^2 [Z f_s^p + (A - Z) f_s^n]^2$$

Nuclear recoils induced by elastic WIMP-nucleus scattering



Rate per unit time per unit mass

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{n_X}{2} \frac{\sigma_{Xp}^{SI}}{\mu_{Xp}^2} A^2 F(q)^2 \eta(v_q)$$

Scattering kinematics \Rightarrow event rate

- Account for **finite size** of nucleus
- Convolute with **WIMP flux**
- Write **cross section** in terms of WIMP-nucleon interaction

WIMP velocity distribution and induced recoil spectra

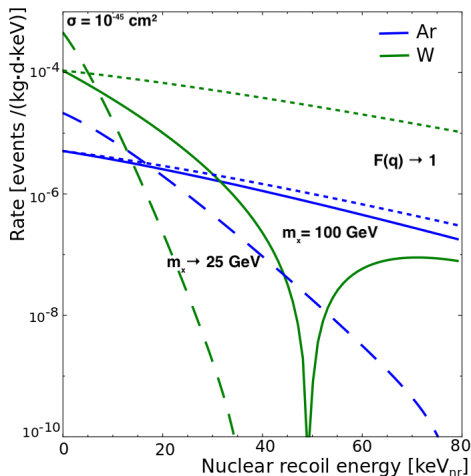
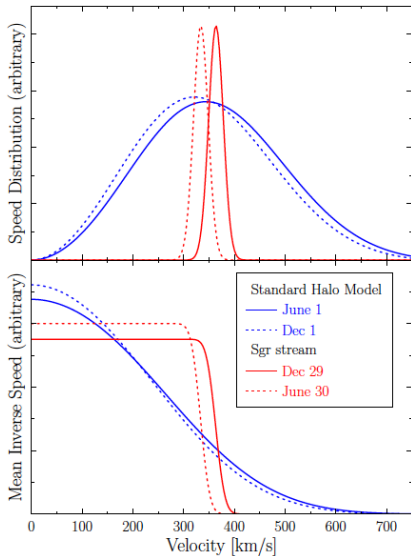


Figure: (left) 1209.3339 (right) 1509.08767

Mineral detectors used to constrain WIMPs before

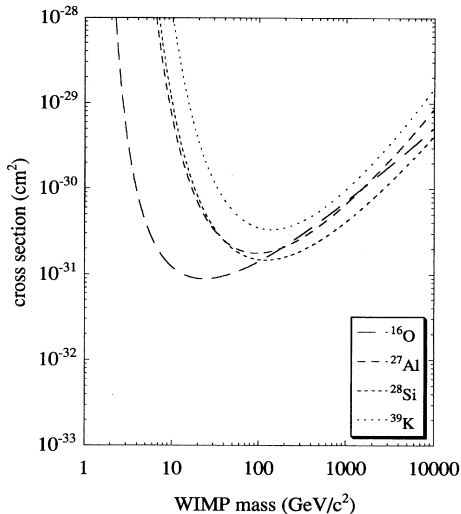
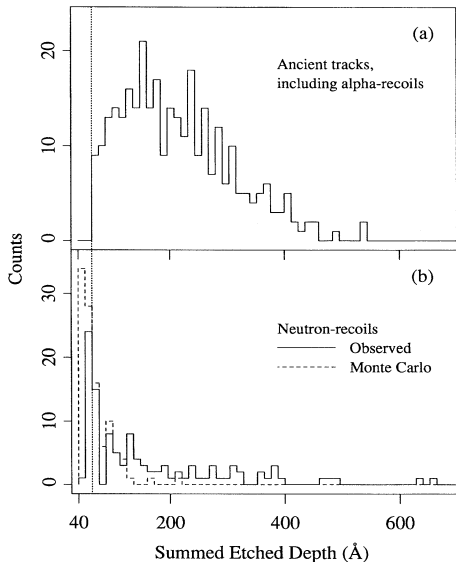
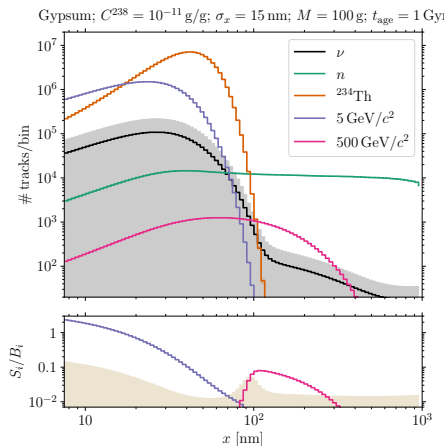
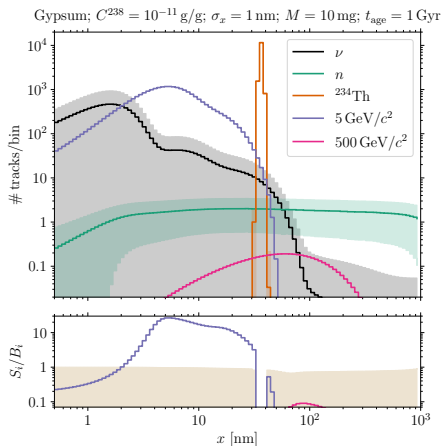
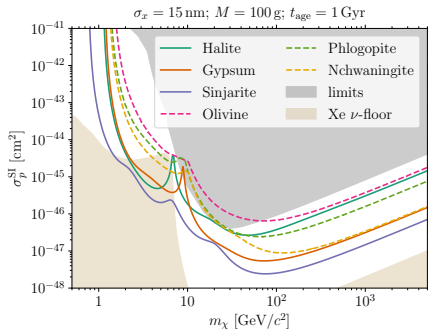
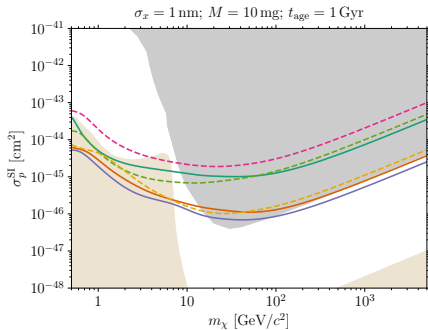


Figure: Snowden-Ifft et al. (1995)

Track length spectra after smearing by readout resolution

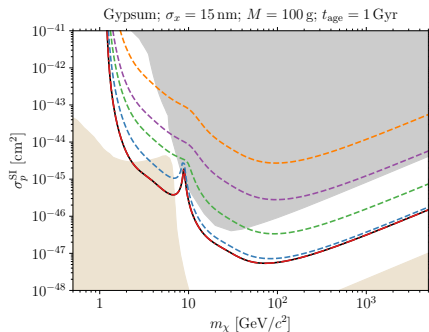
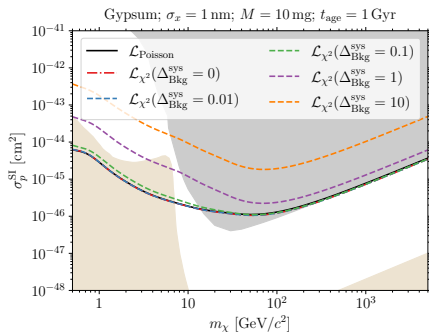


Sensitivity for different targets

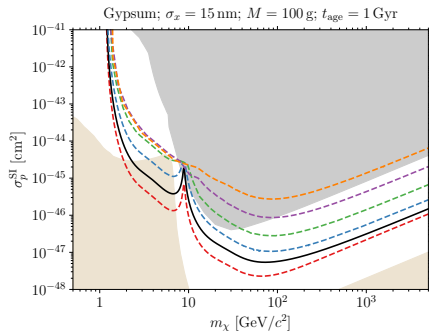
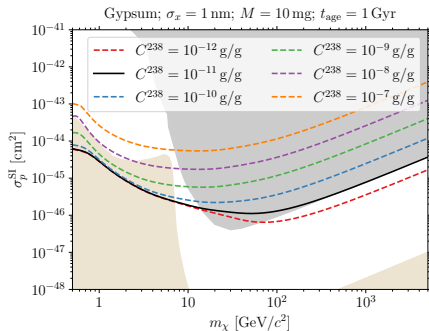


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Gypsum	$\text{Ca}(\text{SO}_4) \cdot 2(\text{H}_2\text{O})$	$C^{238} = 10^{-11} \text{ g/g}$
Sinjarite	$\text{CaCl}_2 \cdot 2(\text{H}_2\text{O})$	$C^{238} = 10^{-11} \text{ g/g}$
Olivine	$\text{Mg}_{1.6}\text{Fe}_{0.4}^{2+}(\text{SiO}_4)$	$C^{238} = 10^{-10} \text{ g/g}$
Phlogopite	$\text{KMg}_3\text{AlSi}_3\text{O}_{10}\text{F}(\text{OH})$	$C^{238} = 10^{-10} \text{ g/g}$
Nchwaningite	$\text{Mn}_2^{2+}\text{SiO}_3(\text{OH})_2 \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})$	$C^{238} = 10^{-10} \text{ g/g}$

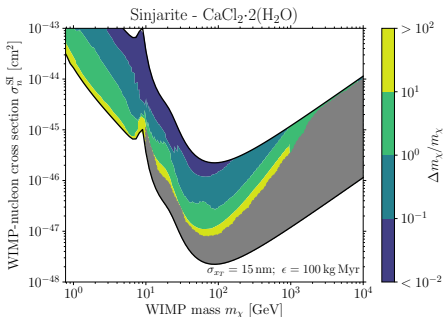
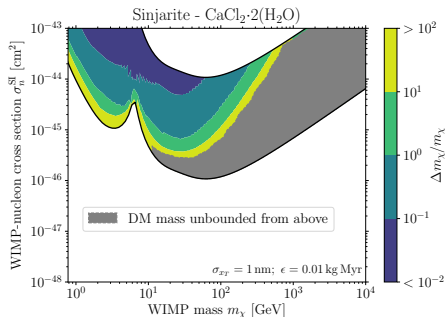
Effects of background shape systematics



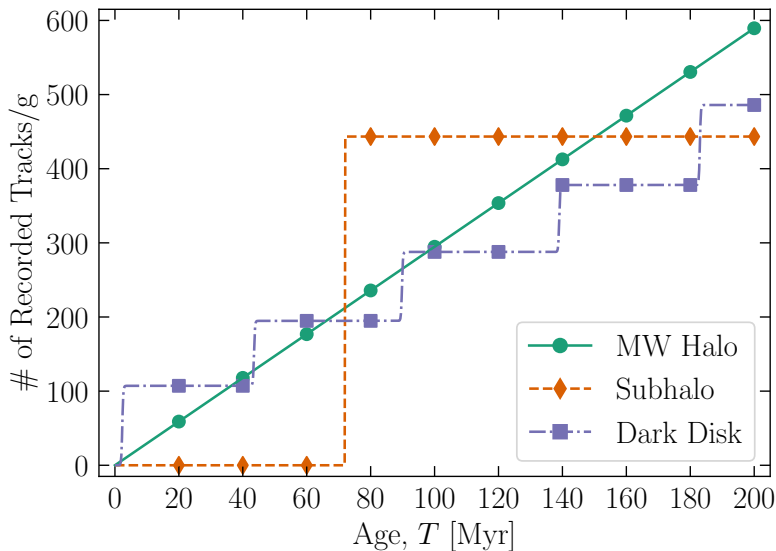
Sensitivity for different ^{238}U concentrations



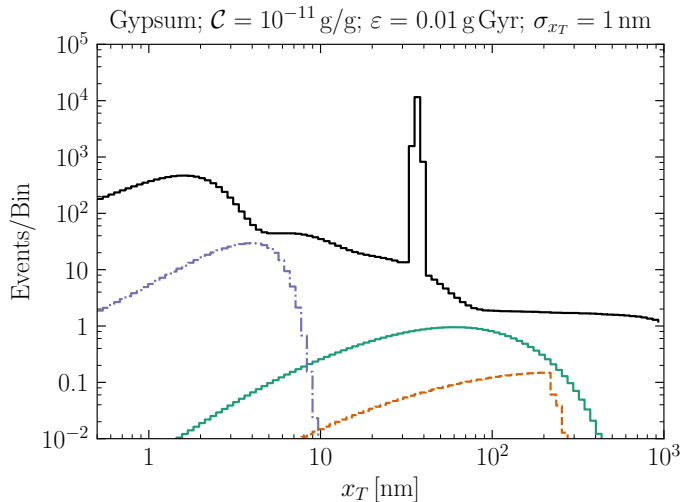
Multiple nuclei and large ϵ allow for optimal $\Delta m_\chi/m_\chi$



Mineral detectors can look for signals “averaged” over geological timescales or for time-varying signals

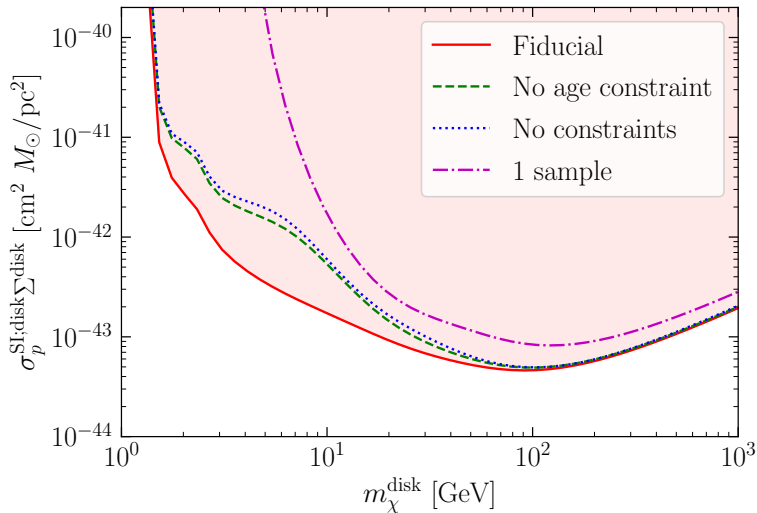


Multiple samples to detect dark disk transit every ~ 45 Myr



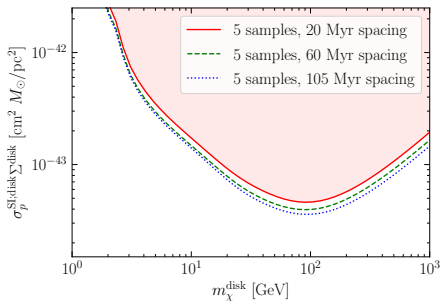
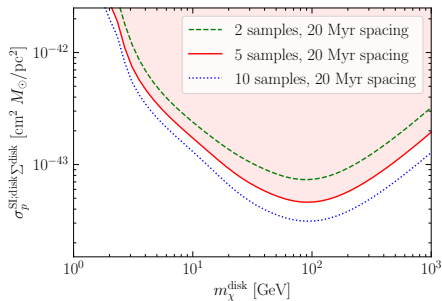
$$m_X^{\text{disk}} = 100 \text{ GeV} \quad \sigma_{Xp}^{\text{disk}} = 10^{-43} \text{ cm}^2 \quad m_X = 500 \text{ GeV} \quad \sigma_{Xp} = 5 \times 10^{-46} \text{ cm}^2$$

Distinguish from halo with 20, 40, 60, 80, 100 Myr samples

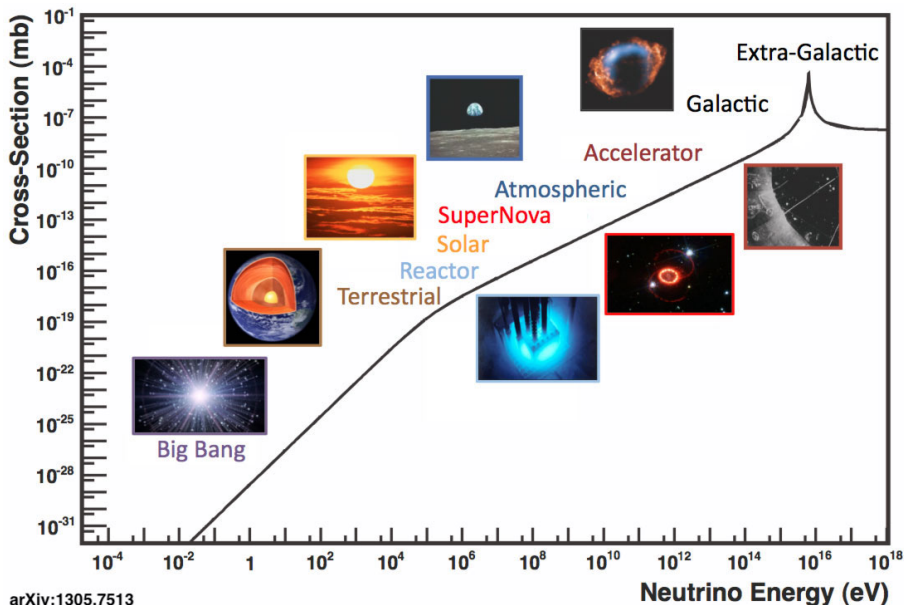


Systematic uncertainties $\Delta_t = 5\%$ $\Delta_M = 0.1\%$ $\Delta_C = 10\%$ $\Delta_\Phi = 100\%$

Change number of samples and sample spacing in time



Neutrinos come from a variety of sources



arXiv:1305.7513

Nuclear recoil spectrum depends on neutrino energy

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{1}{m_T} \int dE_\nu \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \frac{d\phi}{dE_\nu}$$

- **Quasi-elastic** for $E_\nu \gtrsim 100$ MeV
- **Resonant π production** at $E_\nu \sim$ GeV
- **Deep inelastic** for $E_\nu \gtrsim 10$ GeV

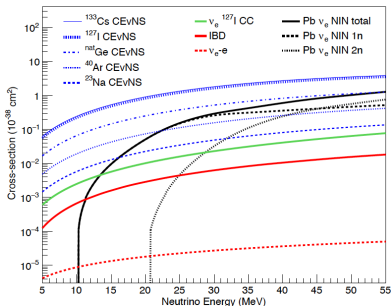


Figure: COHERENT, 1803.09183

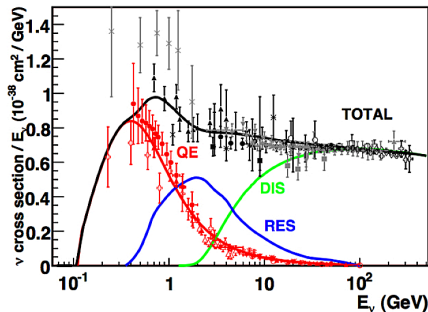
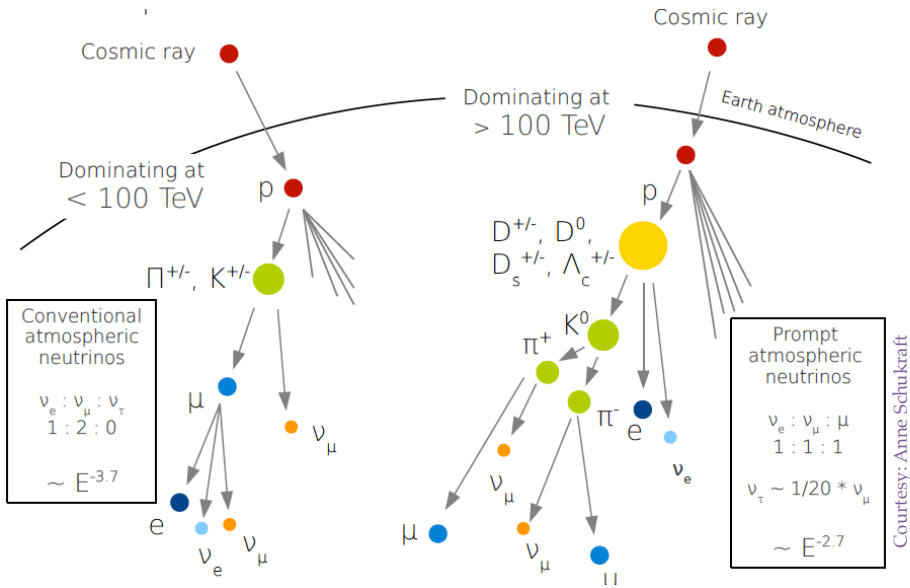


Figure: Inclusive CC $\sigma_{\nu N}$, 1305.7513

Atmospheric ν 's originating from CR interactions



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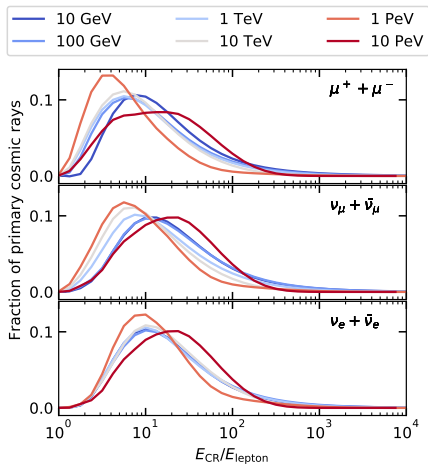


Figure: E_{CR} to leptons, 1806.04140

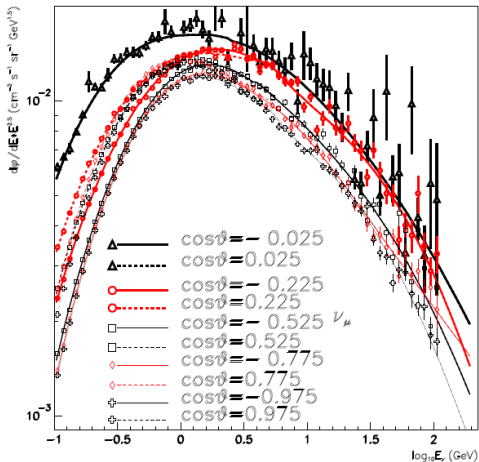


Figure: FLUKA simulation of ν_μ flux at SuperK for solar max, hep-ph/0207035

Geomagnetic field deflects lower energy CR primaries

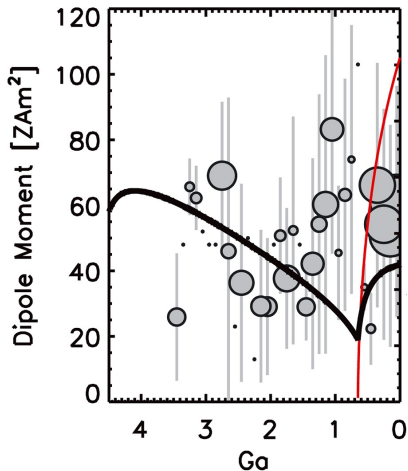
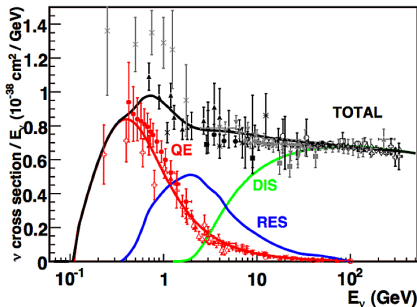


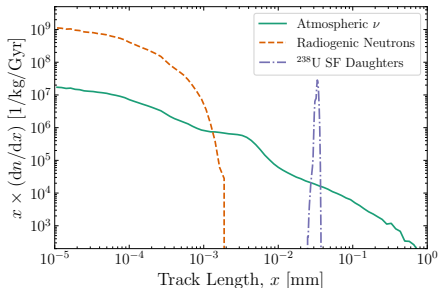
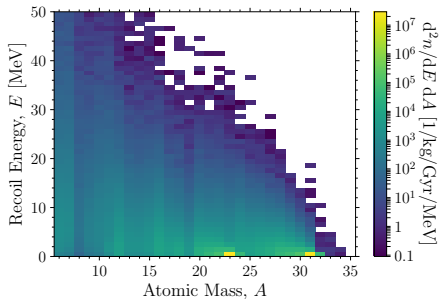
Figure: Driscoll, P. E. (2016),
Geophys. Res. Lett., 43, 5680-5687

Rigidity $p_{CR}/Z_{CR} \simeq E_{CR}$ for CR protons

- Rigidity cutoff $\propto M_{dip}$ truncates atmospheric ν spectrum at low E_ν
- Maximum cutoff today ~ 50 GV
- Recall CR primary $E_{CR} \gtrsim 10 E_\nu$



Recoil spectra from atmospheric ν 's incident on NaCl(P)



Recoils of many different nuclei

- Low energy peak from QE neutrons scattering ^{23}Na , ^{31}P
- High energy tail of lighter nuclei produced by DIS

Background free regions for $\gtrsim 1 \mu\text{m}$

- Radiogenic n-bkg confined to low x , regardless of target
- Subdominant systematics from atmosphere, heliomagnetic field

Galactic contribution to ν flux over geological timescales

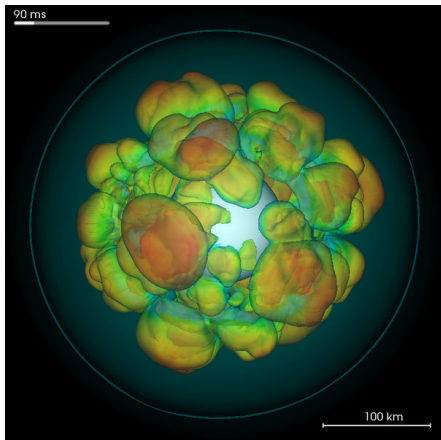


Figure: Supernova simulation after CC

Only ~ 2 SN 1987A events/century

- Measure galactic CC SN rate
- Traces star formation history

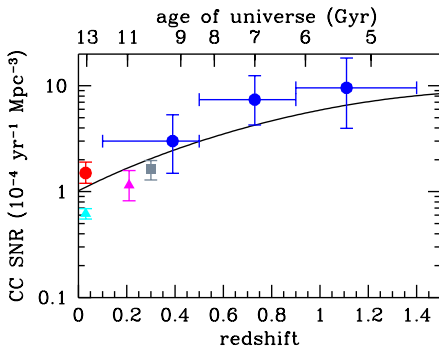


Figure: Cosmic CC SNR, 1403.0007

Galactic contribution to ν flux over geological timescales

$$\frac{d\phi}{dE_\nu} = \dot{N}_{\text{CC}}^{\text{gal}} \frac{dn}{dE_\nu} \int_0^\infty dR_E \frac{f(R_E)}{4\pi R_E^2}$$

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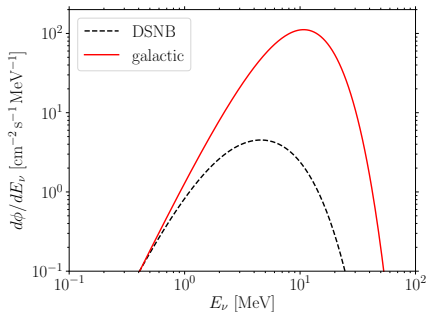
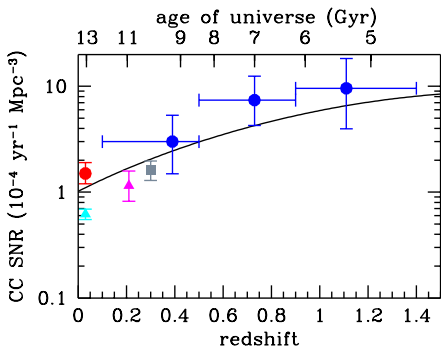
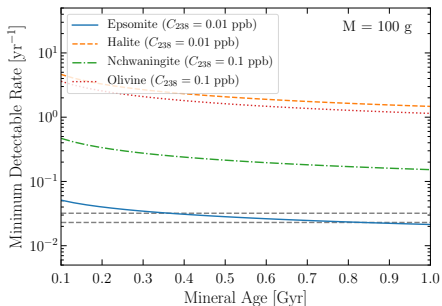
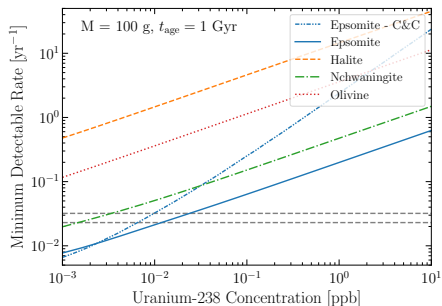


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Sensitivity to galactic CC SN rate depends on C^{238}



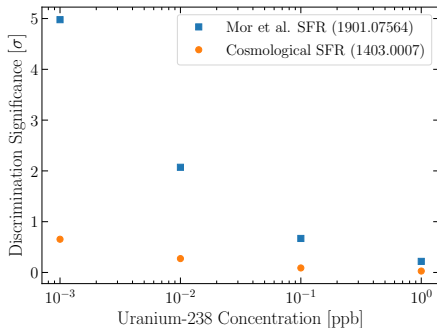
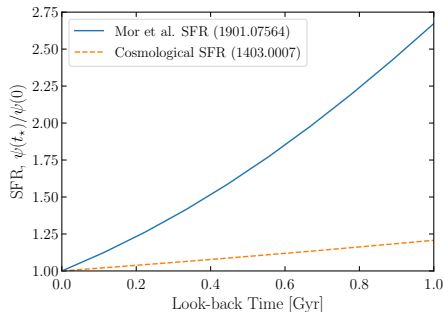
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Olivine [$\text{Mg}_{1.6}\text{Fe}_{0.4}^{2+}(\text{SiO}_4)$]

Difficult to pick out time evolution of galactic CC SN rate



Coarse grained cumulative time bins

- 10 Epsomite paleo-detectors
- 100 g each, $\Delta t_{\text{age}} \simeq 100$ Myr

Determine σ rejecting constant rate

Could only make discrimination at 3σ for $\mathcal{O}(1)$ increase in star formation rate with $C^{238} \lesssim 5$ ppt

Solar ν 's produced in fusion chains from H to He

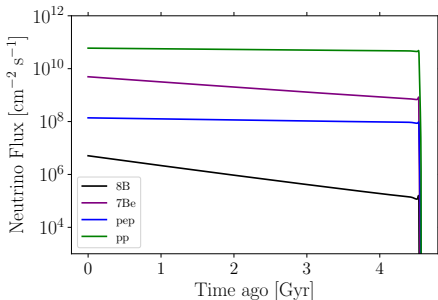
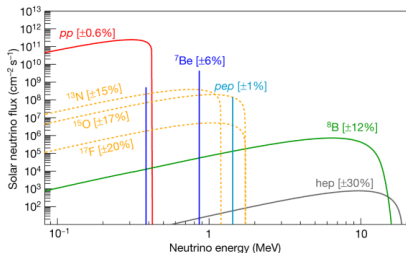
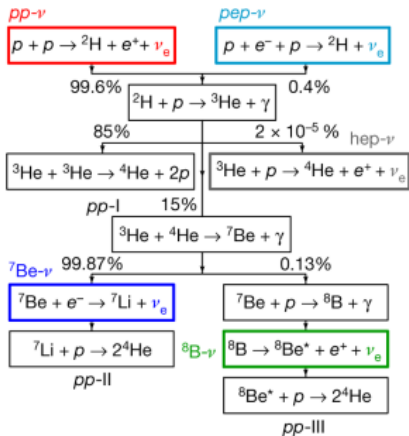
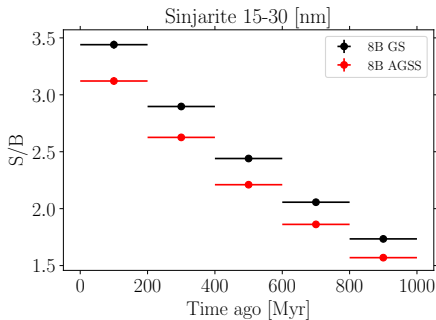
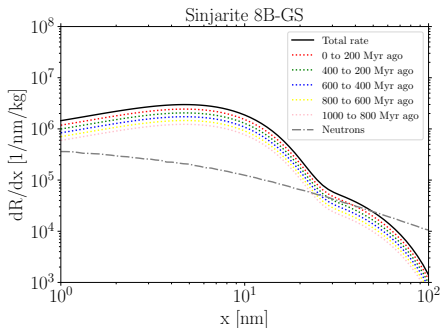


Figure: Today's flux at Borexino (Nature, 2018) and time dependence of GS metallicity model, 2102.01755

Could use large exposure to differentiate between scenarios



Could measure 8B flux over time

- Higher $E_\nu \Rightarrow$ longer tracks
- Highly dependent on solar core temperature with flux $\propto T^{24}$
- Sensitive to metallicity model

100 g samples with 15 nm resolution

- Look in single bin 15 – 30 nm
- Assume $\Delta_t \sim 10\%$, $\Delta_C = 10\%$
- $N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{GS}} \sim (1.63 \pm 0.05) \times 10^6$
- $N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{AGSS}} \sim (1.52 \pm 0.05) \times 10^6$

Reactor ν 's produced in β decays of fission fragments

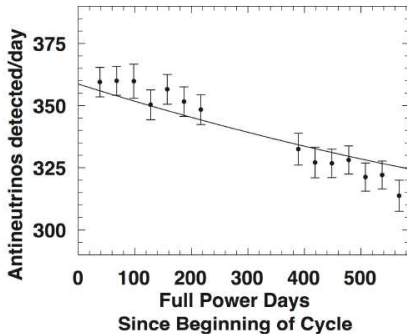
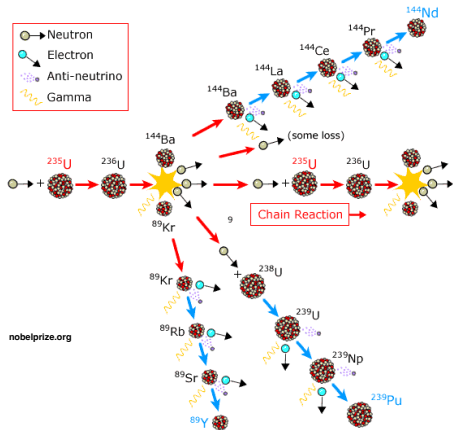


Figure: Processes yielding reactor ν 's and time dependence over the course of reactor fuel cycle for ^{239}Pu (1605.02047)

Nuclear non-proliferation safeguards

- Measure soft nuclear recoils
- Passive and robust detectors operable at room temperature

Semi-analytic range calculations and SRIM agree with data

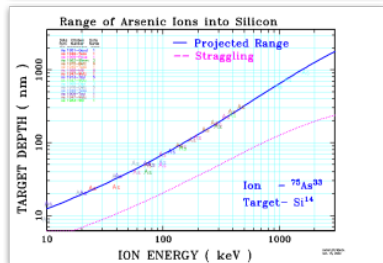
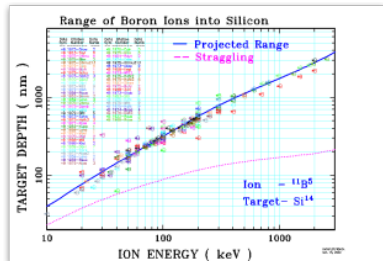
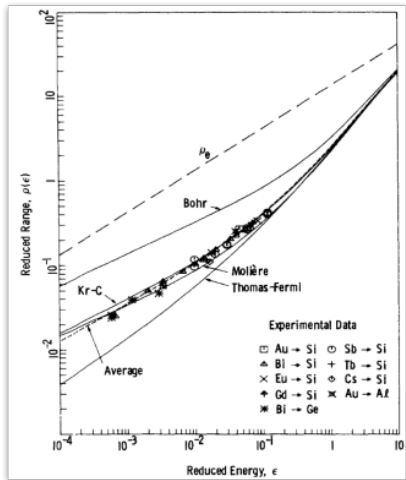


Figure: Wilson, Hagmark+ '76