

Directional detection of cosmic-ray accelerated dark matter

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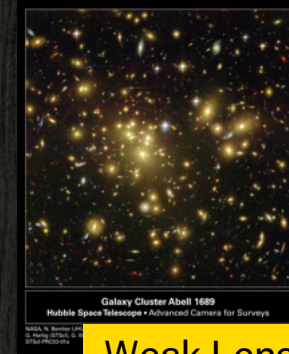
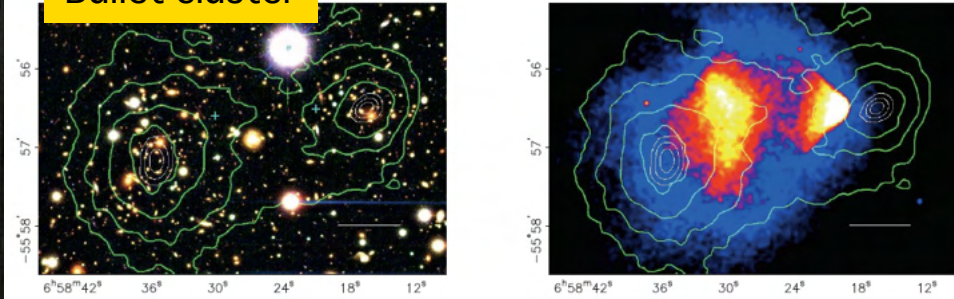
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1. Introduction

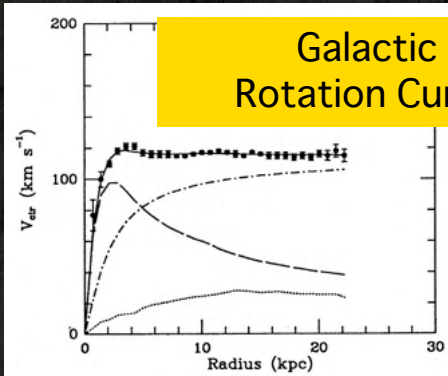
How can we detect the dark matter?

Dark Matter

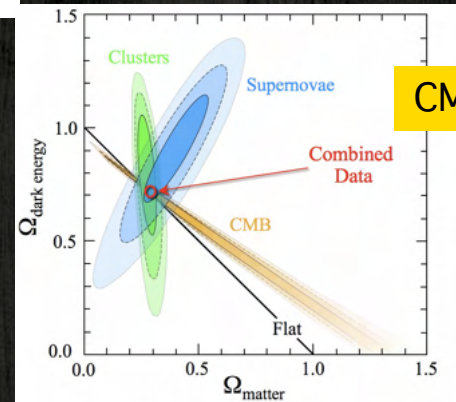
Bullet cluster



Weak Lensing

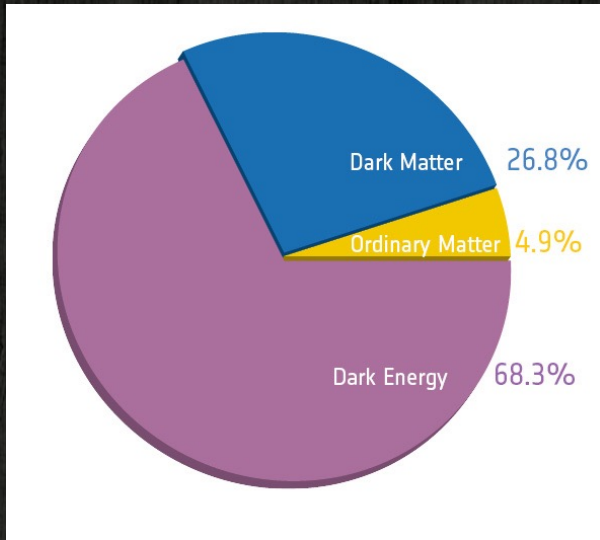


Galactic
Rotation Curve



CMB

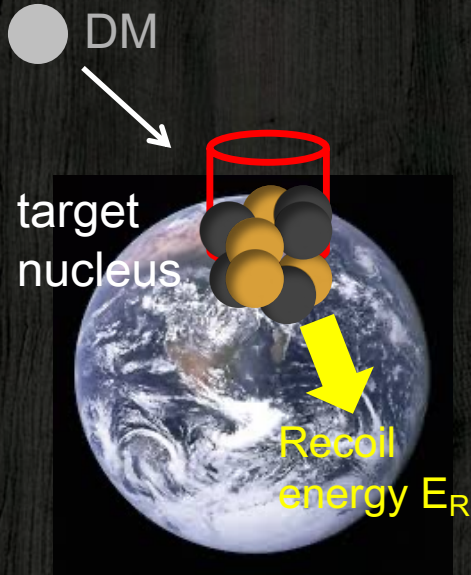
Dark Matter Candidates



- Weakly Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs)
- Axions
- Axion Like Particles (ALPs)
- Primordial black holes
- Modified Gravity
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Direct Detection

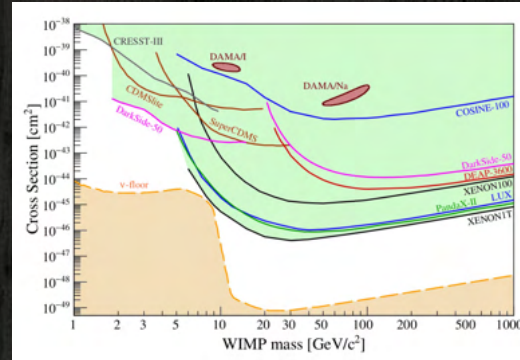
- Detecting recoil energy of DM-target scattering



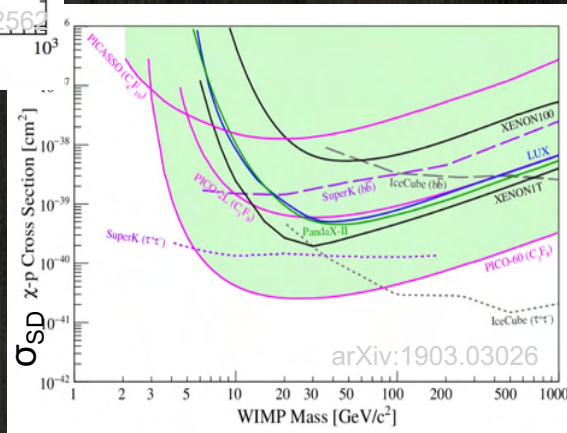
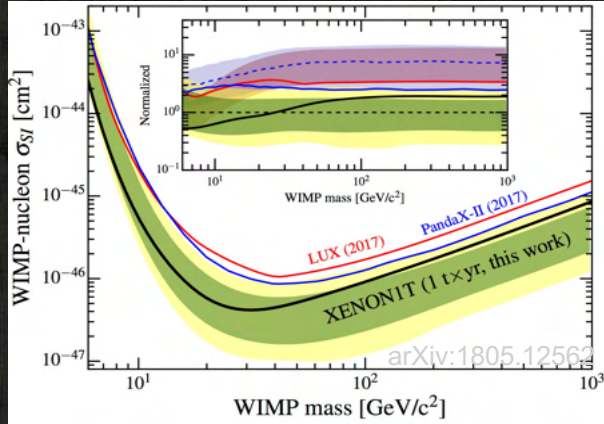
Differential event rate

#target, #WIMP

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{N_T \rho_0}{m_\chi} \int^{v_{\max}} d\vec{v} f(\vec{v}) |\vec{v}| \frac{d\sigma(\vec{v})}{dE_R}$$



Constraint of Direct Detection



- Direct detection put the severe constraint to $O(10-100)$ GeV DM.
- Lighter or heavier DM than ordinary WIMP ($m_\chi \sim O(100)\text{GeV}$) are becoming popular.

Why direct detection is not sensitive to light and heavy mass region?

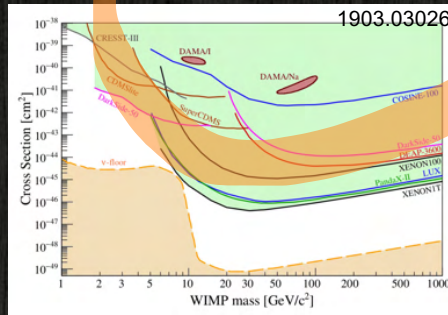
□ Light mass region

$$\langle v_{DM} \rangle \sim 220 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\text{Kinetic energy} \sim m_{DM} v_{DM}^2 / 2$$

For light DM, getting enough kinetic energy to overcome energy threshold of detector is hard.

→ small ionization signals by DM-electron scattering, Migdal effect, Cosmic-ray DM scattering, ...



□ Heavy mass region

$$\Omega_{DM} h^2 = 0.12$$

$$\begin{aligned} W / \Omega_{DM} &= \rho_{DM} / \rho_c \\ &= m_{DM} n_{DM} / \rho_c \end{aligned}$$

→ $n_{DM} \propto 1 / m_{DM}$

Less #DM is expected for large m_{DM}

W. Yin arXiv:1809.08610

T.Bringmann and M.Pospelov arXiv:1810.10543

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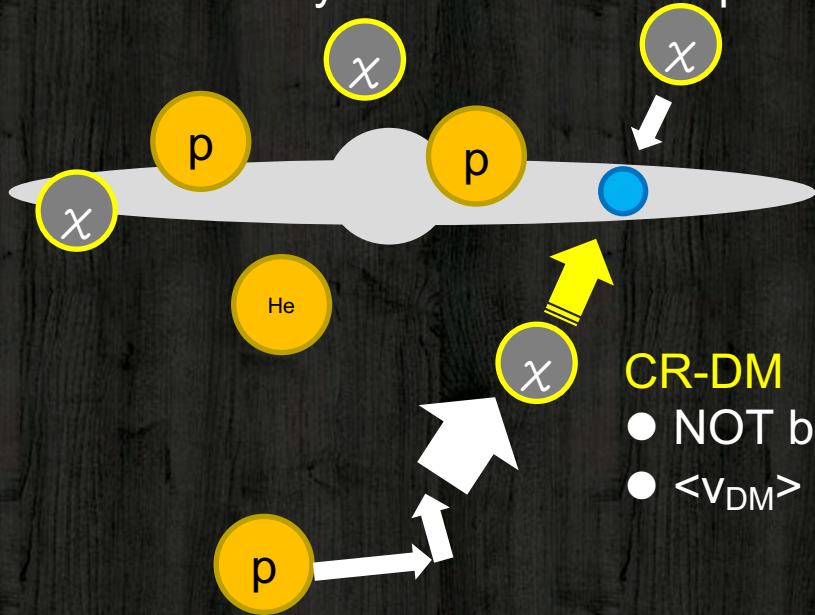
Cosmic-ray boosted DM (CRDM)

*Can the light dark matter of sub-GeV mass be
detected via DM-nucleus scattering?*

Concept of CR Acceleration

Ordinary DM (WIMPs)

- $\langle v_{\text{DM}} \rangle \sim 230 \text{ km/s}$
- bounded by the Galactic escape velocity 500-600 km/s



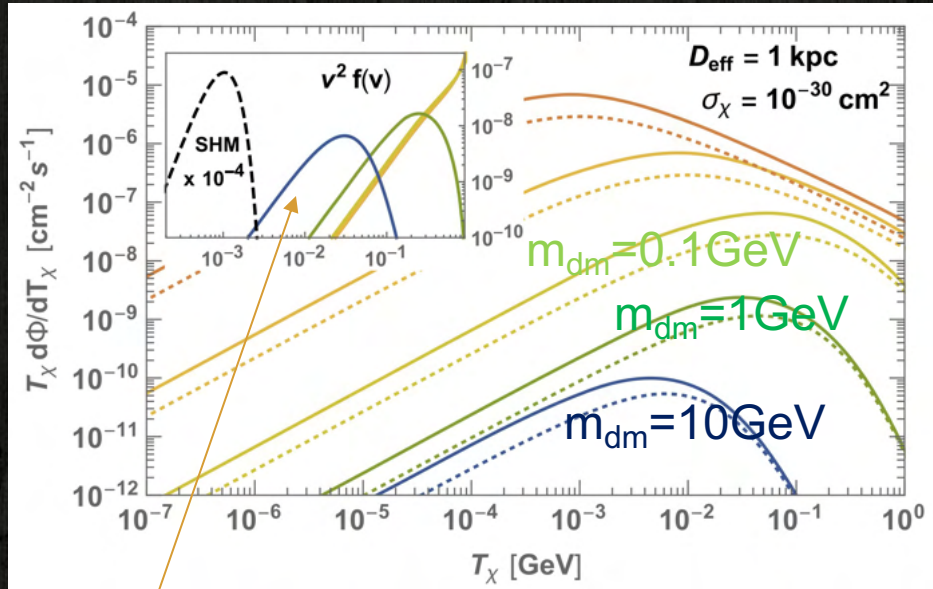
Cosmic-ray (CR) can scatter the light DM and DM obtains additional kinetic energy (CR-DM) to overcome the energy threshold.

CR-DM

- NOT bounded by the Galactic escape velocity
- $\langle v_{\text{DM}} \rangle$ depends on kinetic energy of CR

CR-DM

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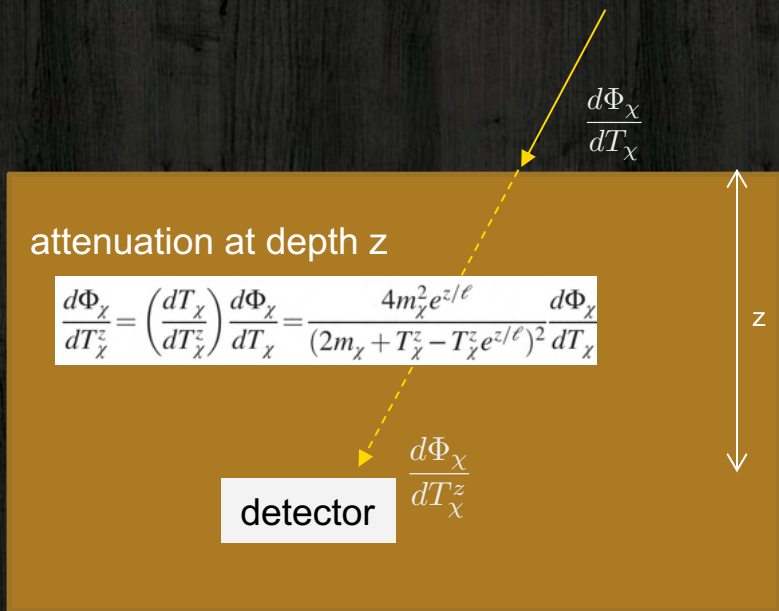
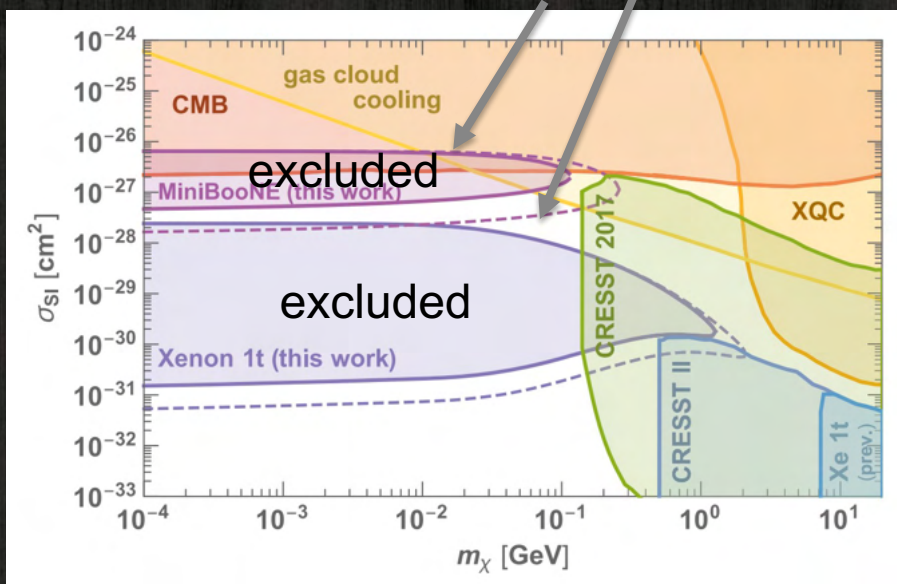


- Even if DM is as light as $< \mathcal{O}(1)$ GeV, direct detection can reach (give constraint to) the parameter region due to CR boost.

$$f(v) = \frac{m_X^2 \gamma^3}{\rho_X^{\text{local}}} \frac{d\Phi_X}{dT_X}$$

Attenuation of CR-DM

If σ is too large, due to scattering with atoms in underground DM loses its kinetic energy $< E_{thr}$ of detector. Such region cannot be constrained.

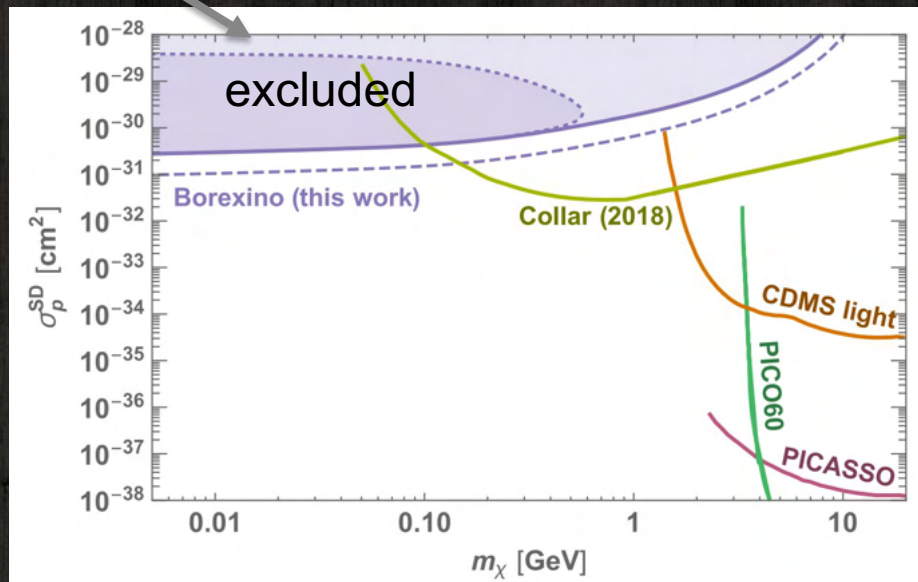
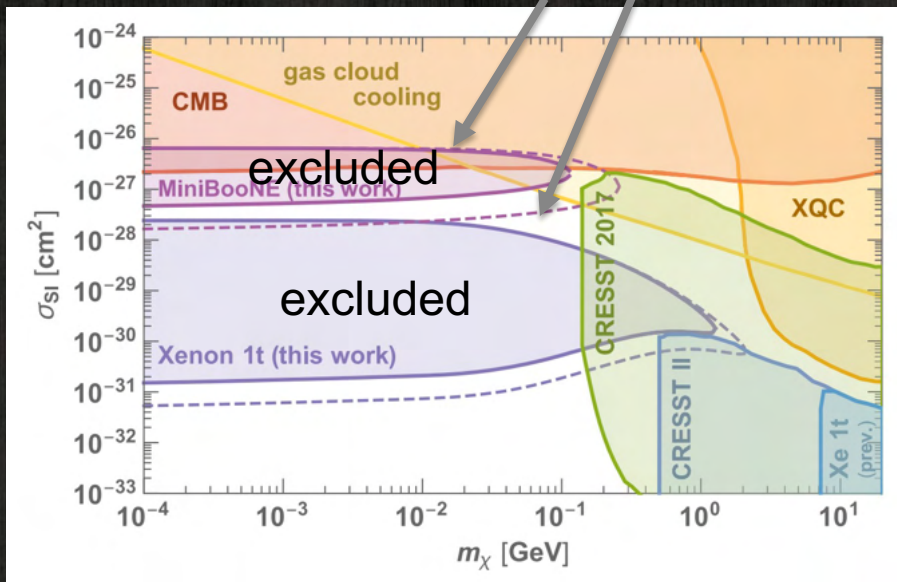


$z=1400\text{m}$ (XENON, LNGS)

Constraints on σ_{SI} and σ_{SD}

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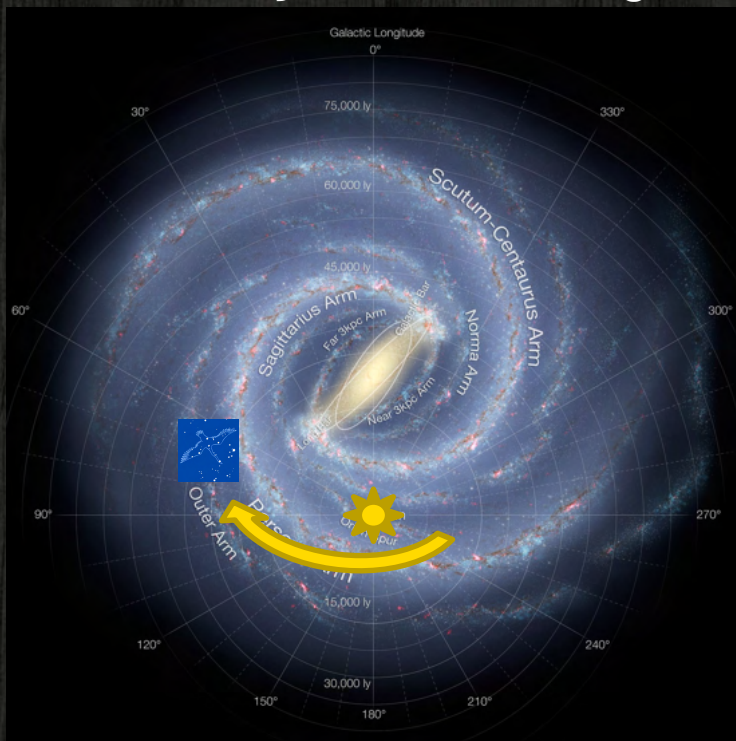


3. Directional Direct Detection

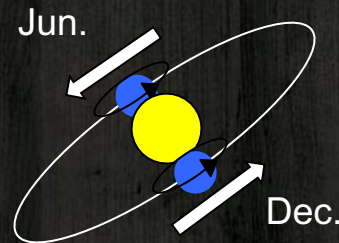
Why directional detection of DM?

Our motion in the Galaxy

- The Solar system is moving toward the Cygnus.

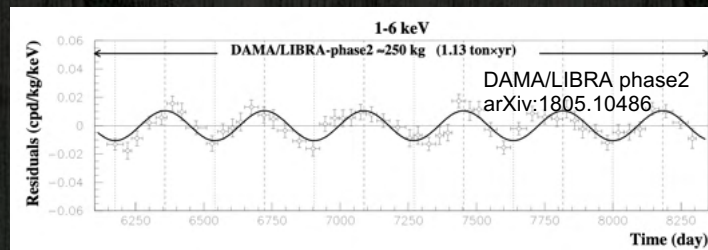


DM wind



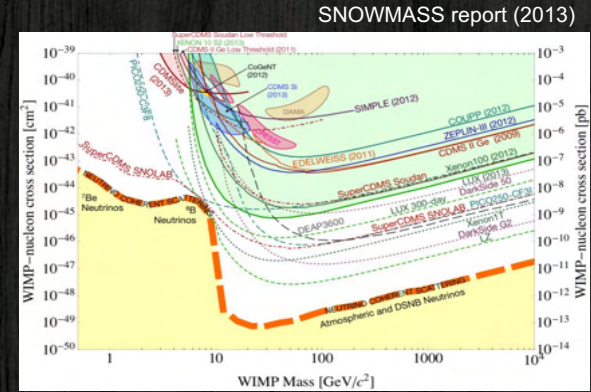
the Solar system

Annual modulation of the event rate is expected.



Advantages of directionality (1)

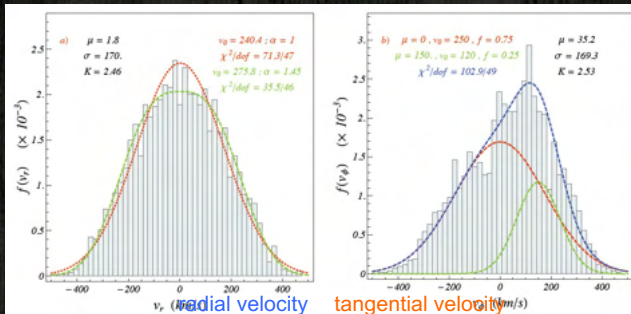
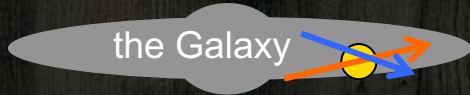
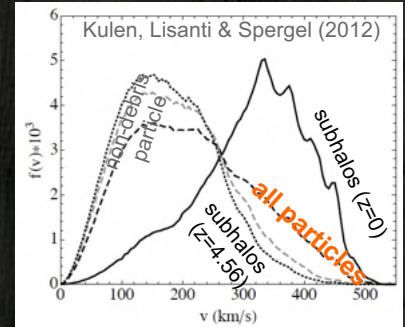
- ◆ Powerful background rejection
 - Background : isotropic
 - DM signal : come from direction of the Cygnus
- ◆ Neutrino Floor



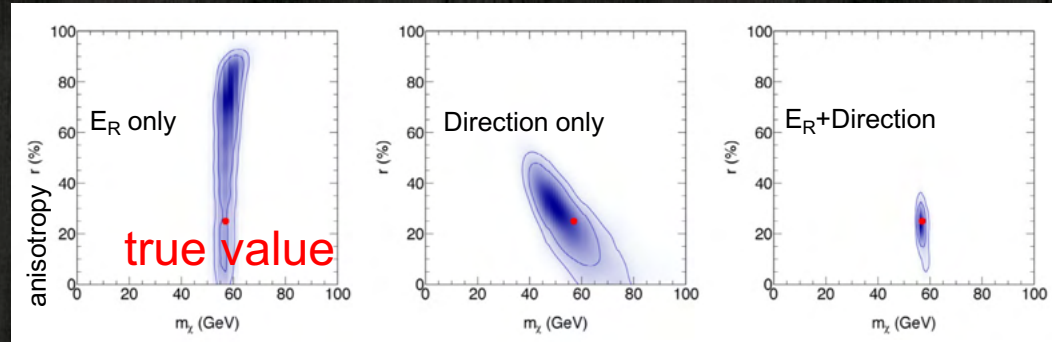
Advantages of directionality (2)

◇ Velocity distribution of DM

- Isotropic Maxwell distribution is usually assumed as $f(v)$
- Non-standard distribution, especially anisotropy is suggested by some N-body simulations



Ling, Nezri, Athanassoula & Teyssier (2009)



KN, Ikeda, Yakabe, Naka and Miuchi (2020)
also B. Morgan, A. Green, N. Spooner (2004)
O.Host, S. Hansen (2007), ...

Achieving Directionality

- *Detectors that reconstruct the recoil trajectory*
 - *Gas-based TPCs*
 - *Nuclear Emulsions*

See next two talks

 - *Crystal defect spectroscopy*
 - *DNA strand detector*
 - *Planar targets (graphene)*
- *Detectors that indirectly determine the recoil direction*
 - *Anisotropic scintillators*
 - *Columnar recombination*
 - *Carbon nanotubes*

- Event-by-event recoil tracking in condensed matter is hard, but not impossible

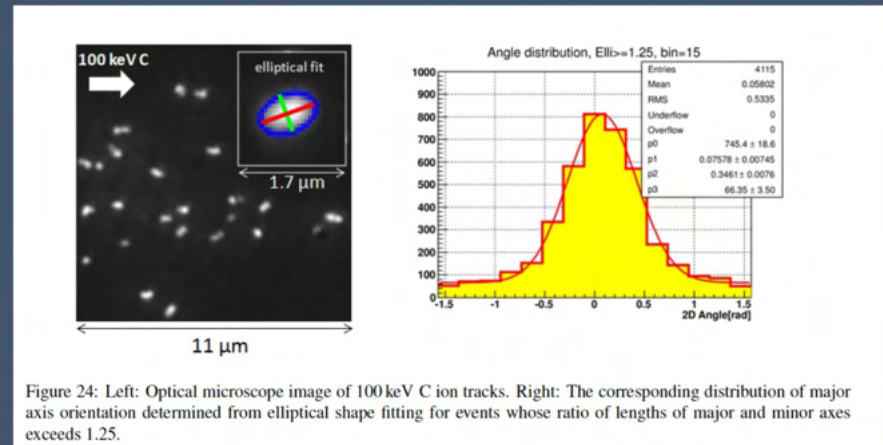


Figure 24: Left: Optical microscope image of 100 keV C ion tracks. Right: The corresponding distribution of major axis orientation determined from elliptical shape fitting for events whose ratio of lengths of major and minor axes exceeds 1.25.

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Prototypes and Experiments (list is probably not comprehensive!)

| Name | Technology | Directionality | Status |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|--|
| NEWAGE | Gas TPC, strip readout | 3d | Running underground |
| DRIFT | Gas TPC, NID, wire readout | 1.5d | Running underground |
| MIMAC | Gas TPC, strip readout | 3d | Ran underground, scaling up |
| DMTPC | Gas TPC, optical readout | 2d | Ran underground, scaled up, stopped |
| D ³ / Hawaii readout R&D | Gas TPC, pixel readout | 3d | Prototypes evaluated, ran above-ground |
| New Mexico readout R&D | Gas TPC, NID, optical readout | 2d | Prototypes evaluated |
| LEMON, ORANGE, INITIUM, CYGNO | Gas TPCs, CMOS + PMT optical readout | 3d | Prototypes evaluated, funded to scale up |
| NEWSdm | Nuclear Emulsions | 2d | Prototyping / going underground |
| PTOLEMY | Graphene | 2d | Prototyping / going underground |

All directional that have set limits use $\leq 1\text{m}^3$ gas TPCs

NEWAGE: best limit using directionality

DRIFT: best limit with a directional detector

*Credit: Sven Vahsen's talk
in Sendai Symposium*

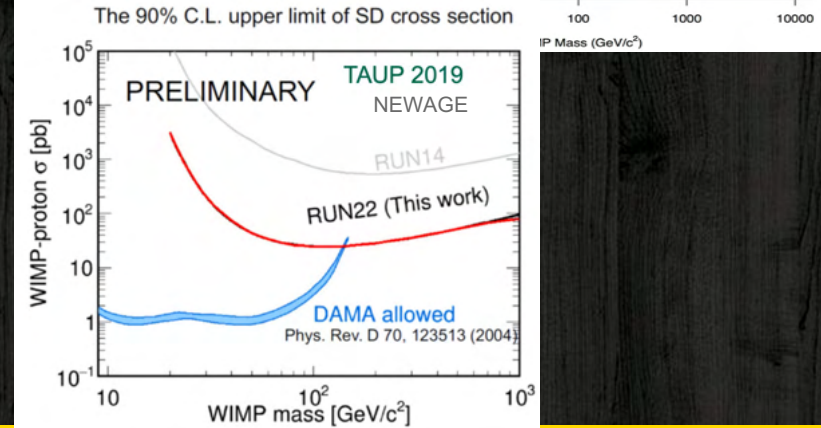
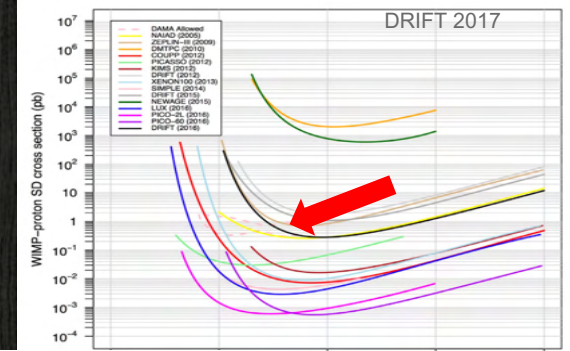
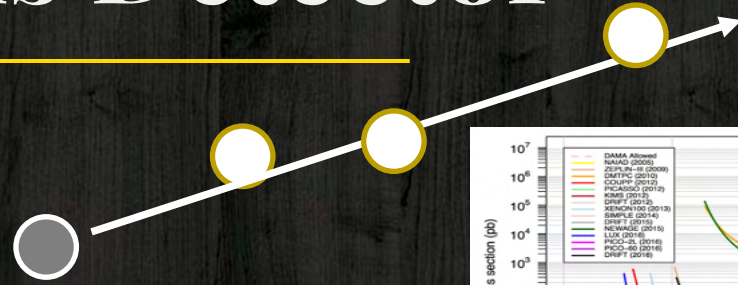
Gaseous Detector

- Directionality
Mean free path $\sim \mu\text{m}$
- Low Pressure

$$\frac{d\bar{R}}{dE_R} = \frac{N_T \rho_0}{m_\chi} \int^{v_{\max}} d\vec{v} f(\vec{v}) |\vec{v}| \frac{d\sigma(\vec{v})}{dE_R}$$

large volume is required to enhance sensitivity.

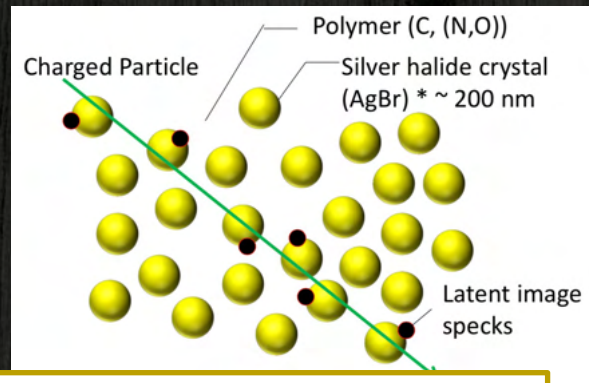
- Typical target
 $\text{CF}_4, \text{SF}_6, \text{CS}_2, \text{CHF}_3$



Solid detector

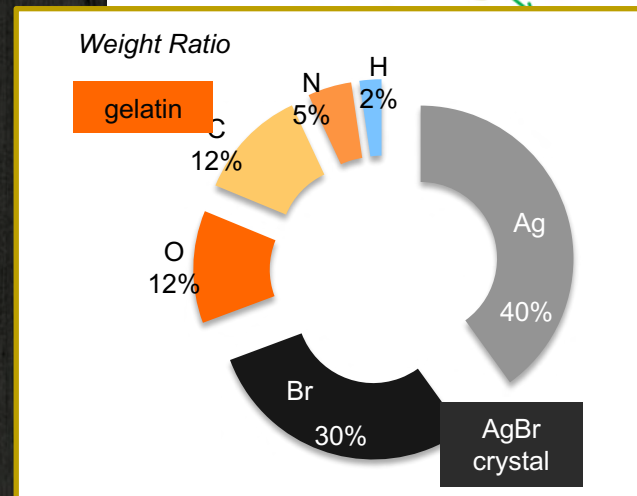
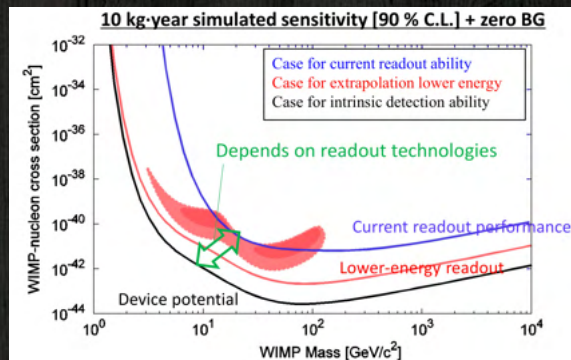
Slides by Naka.

- ❑ Nuclear Emulsion=AgBr Crystal + gelatin
- ❑ Dense
 - >> Easy to obtain large mass



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- ❑ Target
H, C, N, O, Ag, Br



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What if we can detect the CR-DM with directionality? Can we see many CR-DM in the direction of the Galactic Center? It's interesting!

4. Numerical result

Can we see CR-DM signals from the Galactic center?

Strategy of Numerical Simulation

DM profile $\rho_{\text{DM}}(r)$



CR-DM flux



Evaluation

Detectability of CR-DM signals from the GC, DM profile dependence, ...

$\sigma_{\chi i}$

, He, ...

G.C.
?

$\sigma_{\chi N}$

, C, ...

DM
wind

1.

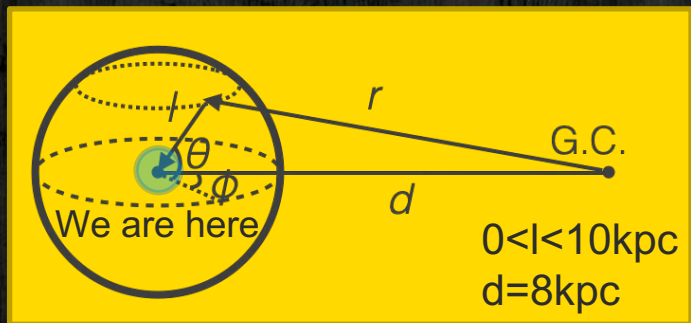


Cal. of CR-DM flux

- CR-DM flux for each direction

$$\frac{d\Phi_\chi}{dT_\chi d\theta d\phi} = \int_{T_\chi^{\min}}^{\infty} \frac{dT_p}{T_\chi^{\max}} \int dV \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \frac{d\Phi_p}{dT_p}$$

$$= \int dl d\theta d\phi \cos\theta G_p^2(2m_\chi T_\chi) \frac{\sigma_{p\chi}}{4\pi m_\chi T_\chi^{\max}} \frac{\rho_s}{\left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)^2 r/r_s} \frac{d\Phi_p}{dT_p}$$



$$G_i(Q^2) = 1/(1 + Q^2/\Lambda_i^2)^2 \quad \text{hadronic elastic scattering form factor}$$

$$T_\chi^{\max} = \frac{T_i^2 + 2m_i T_i}{T_i + (m_i + m_\chi)^2/(2m_\chi)} \quad \text{maximum kinetic energy of DM}$$

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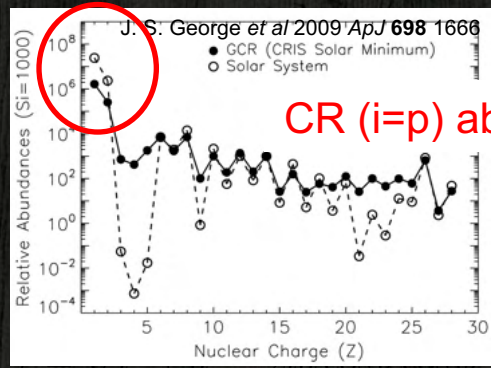
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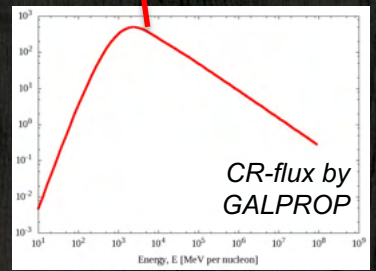
DM profile

CR (i=p) flux

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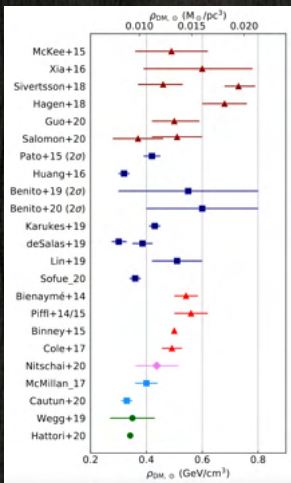


CR (i=p) abundance



DM profiles of the Milky Way Galaxy

DM density near the Sun



Salas,a, Widmark (2020)
2012.11477

$$\rho_X(r \sim 8 \text{ kpc}) \approx 0.3\text{-}0.4 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$$

Profiles

- Navarro–Frenk–White (NFW) profile

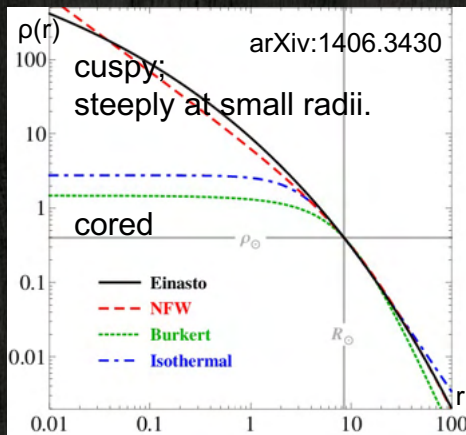
$$\rho_{NFW}(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{(r/r_0)(1+r/r_0)^2}$$

- Einasto profile better to fit the observations.

$$\rho_{Ein}(r) = \rho_0 \exp[2\alpha(1 - (r/r_0)^{1/\alpha})]$$

- Pseudo-isothermal profile

$$\rho_{Iso}(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{1 + (r/r_0)^2}$$



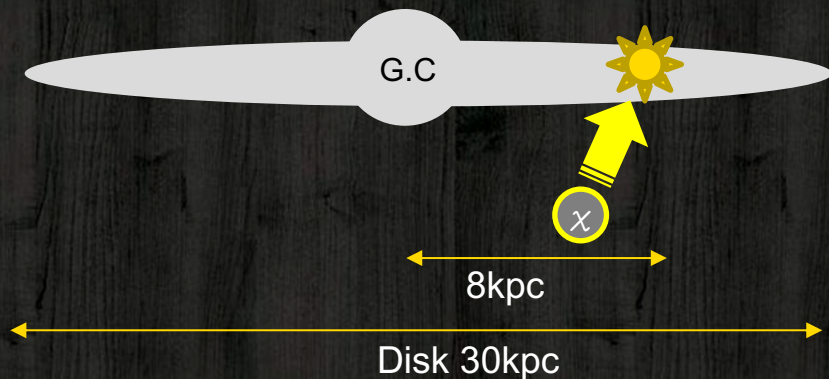
Line-of-sight integral

- CR-DM flux for each direction

$$\frac{d\Phi_\chi}{dT_\chi d\theta d\phi} = \int_{T_\chi^{\min}}^{\infty} \frac{dT_p}{T_\chi^{\max}} \int dV \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \frac{d\Phi_p}{dT_p}$$

DM profile CR (i=p) flux

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Result depends on full line-of-sight integration out to 1 kpc (10 kpc) in the original paper. We suppose $l_{\max}=10\text{kpc}$ in the numerical calculation.

CR-DM Flux in the sky

target: F

1GeV

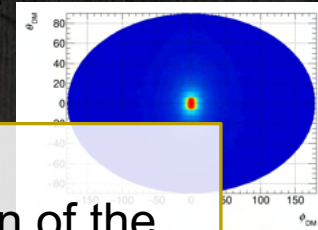
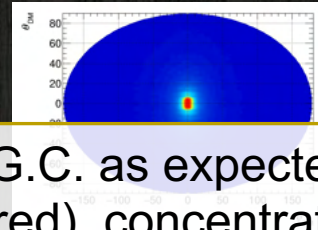
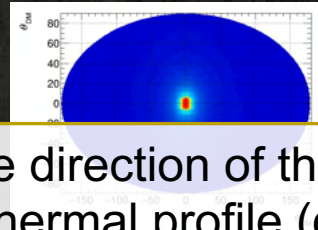
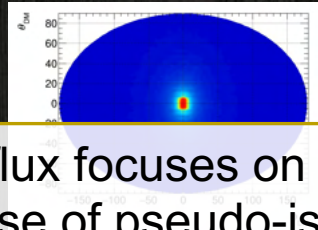
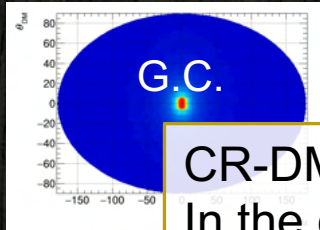
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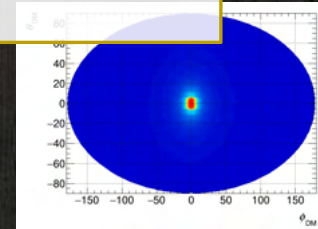
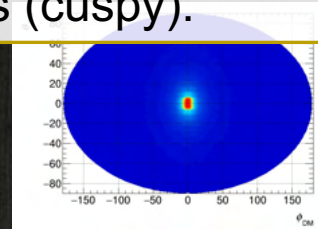
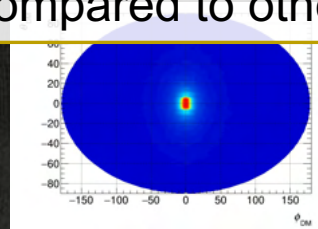
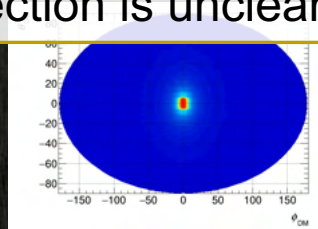
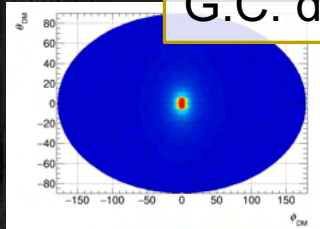
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NFW

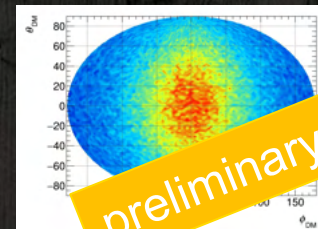
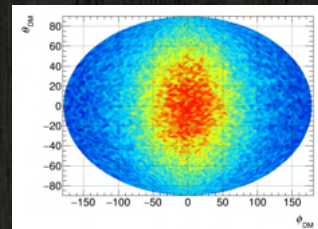
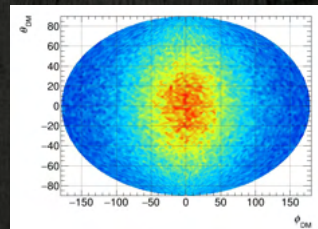
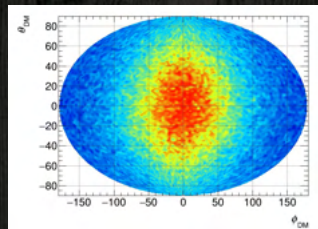
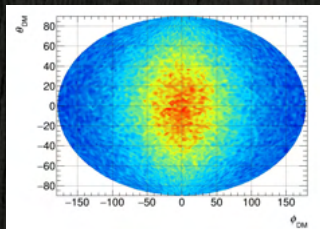


CR-DM flux focuses on the direction of the G.C. as expected. In the case of pseudo-isothermal profile (cored), concentration of the G.C. direction is unclear compared to others (cuspy).

Einasto



Pseudo-isothermal



preliminary

m_χ dependence of Nuclear Recoil

target: F

1GeV

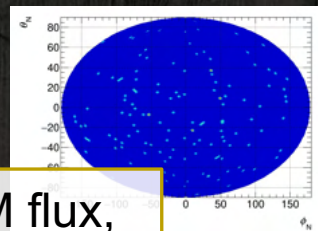
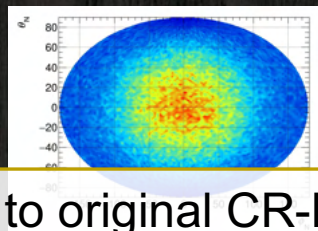
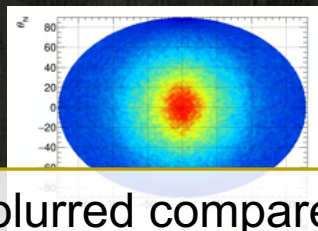
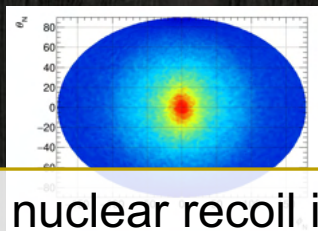
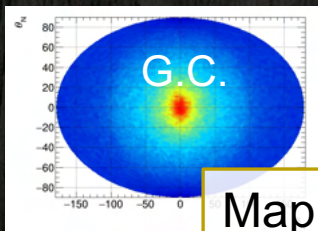
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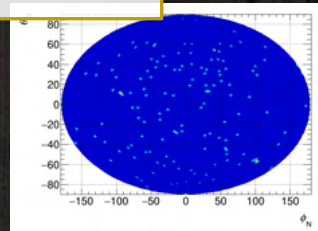
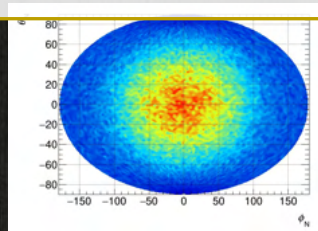
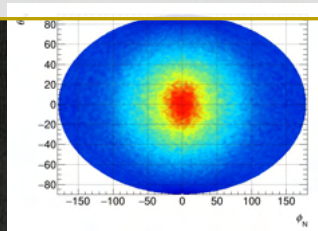
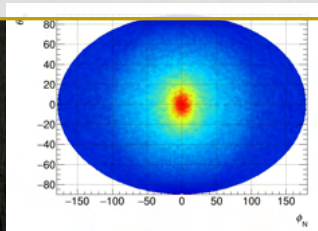
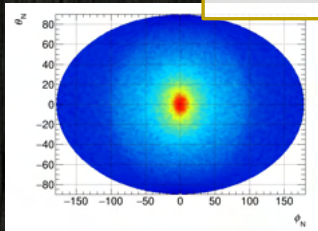
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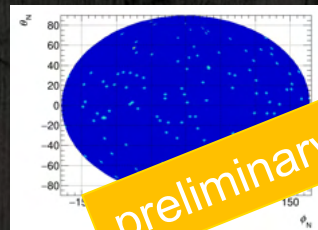
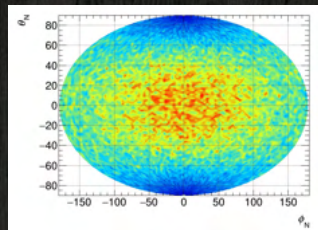
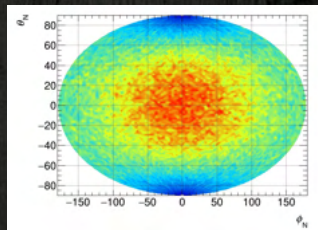
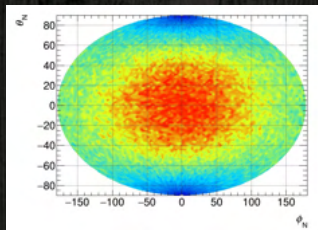
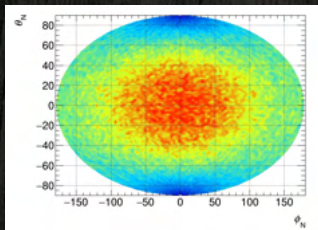


Map of nuclear recoil is blurred compared to original CR-DM flux, but signals still focuses on the G.C.

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Pseudo-isothermal



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Target dependence of Nuclear Recoil

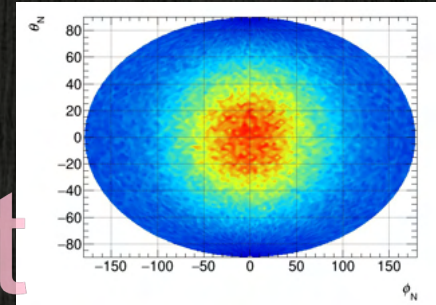
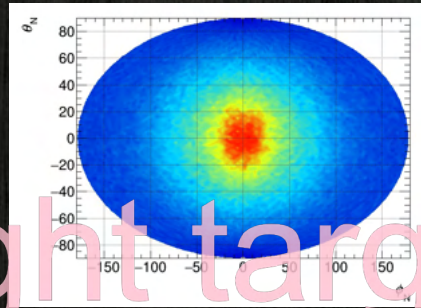
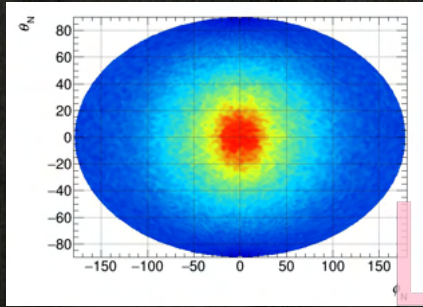
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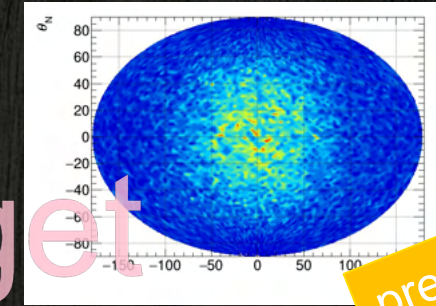
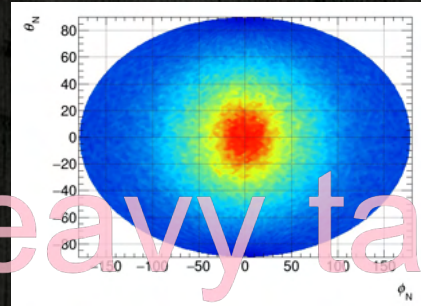
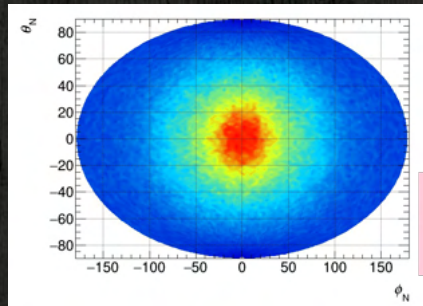
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Light target

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Heavy target

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Summary and Outlook

- Celestial sphere maps for nuclear recoils caused by CR-DM are obtained. Nuclear recoils focus on the GC region and depend on DM profiles.
 - I've discussed based on only CR-DM flux. How much events can we expect if we suppose the the CR-DM cross section, the energy threshold and the resolution of the detectors? Investigation of realistic detectability is future work...
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