

# SuperCDMS update

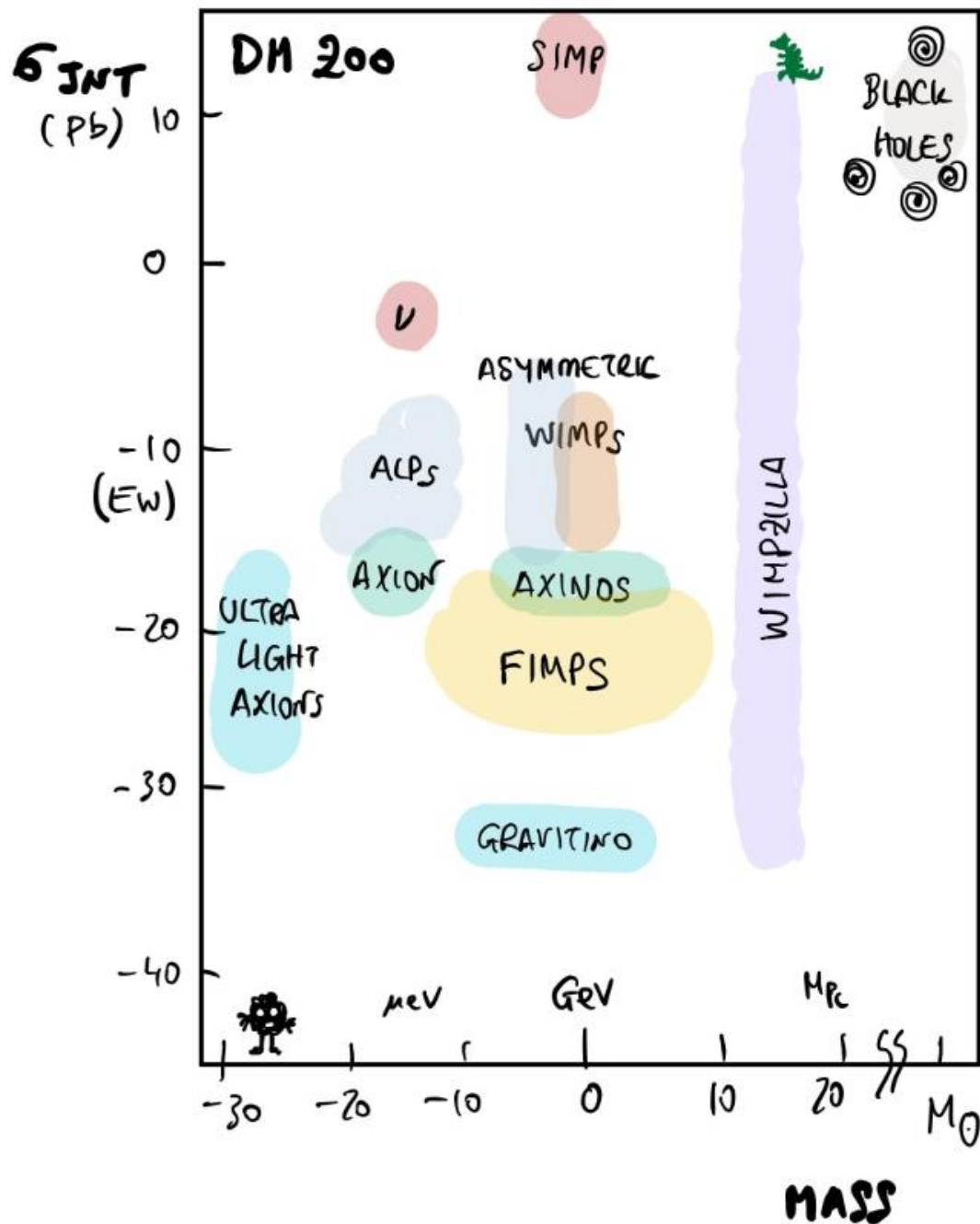
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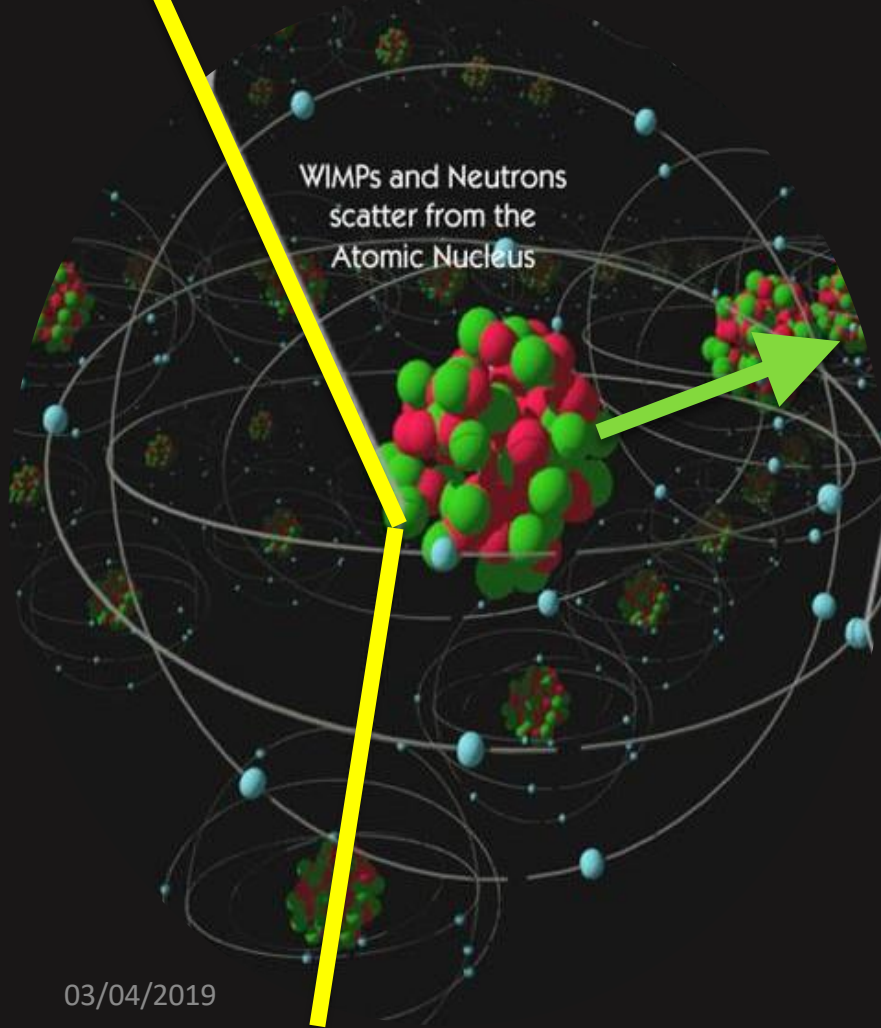
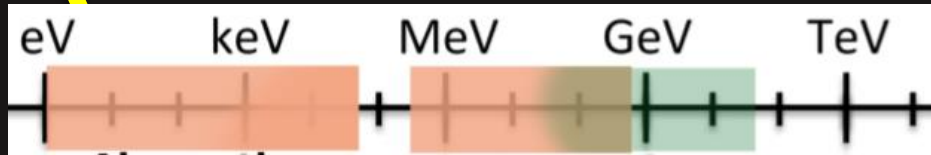
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*XV MultiDark workshop, Zaragoza, 4<sup>th</sup> of April 2019*



# DIRECT DARK MATTER SEARCHES: What can we measure?



## NUCLEAR SCATTERING

- “Canonical” signature
- Elastic or Inelastic scattering
- Sensitive to  $m > 1$  GeV

## ELECTRON SCATTERING

- Sensitive to light WIMPs

## ELECTRON ABSORPTION

- Very light (non-WIMP)

## EXOTIC SEARCHES

- Axion-photon conversion in the atomic EM field
- Light Ionising Particles

# SuperCDMS Collaboration



# Durham group in SuperCDMS



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## Analysis

- **Effective Field Theory:** Dark Matter parameter reconstruction
- **Coherent neutrino scattering and Electron Recoil**  
Very light dark matter and new physics in the neutrino sector.

## Numerical Tools

- **Surrogate Models:** Numerical tools to speed-up reconstruction
- **Machine learning tools:** Applied to discriminate the neutrino floor

## Event Reconstruction for SuperCDMS SNOLAB

**Are we being too simplistic in describing WIMP-nucleus interactions?**

$$N = \int_{E_T}^{\infty} dE_R \frac{\rho_0}{m_N m_\chi} \int_{v_{min}}^{\infty} v f(v) \frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R}(v, E_R) dv$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R} = \left( \frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R} \right)_{SI} + \left( \frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R} \right)_{SD}$$

# Effective Field Theory approach

The most general effective Lagrangian contains up to 14 different operators that induce **6 types of response functions and two new interference terms**

Haxton, Fitzpatrick 2012-2014

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}(\vec{x}) = c \Psi_{\chi}^*(\vec{x}) \mathcal{O}_{\chi} \Psi_{\chi}(\vec{x}) \Psi_N^*(\vec{x}) \mathcal{O}_N \Psi_N(\vec{x})$$

$$\mathcal{O}_1 = 1_{\chi} 1_N$$

$$\mathcal{O}_3 = i \vec{S}_N \cdot \left[ \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \times \vec{v}^{\perp} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_4 = \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \vec{S}_N$$

$$\mathcal{O}_5 = i \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \left[ \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \times \vec{v}^{\perp} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_6 = \left[ \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \right] \left[ \vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_7 = \vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{v}^{\perp}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_8 = \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \vec{v}^{\perp}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_9 = i \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \left[ \vec{S}_N \times \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{10} = i \vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{11} = i \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{12} = \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \left[ \vec{S}_N \times \vec{v}^{\perp} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{13} = i \left[ \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \vec{v}^{\perp} \right] \left[ \vec{S}_N \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{14} = i \left[ \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \right] \left[ \vec{S}_N \cdot \vec{v}^{\perp} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{15} = - \left[ \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \right] \left[ \left( \vec{S}_N \times \vec{v}^{\perp} \right) \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_N} \right]$$

(x2) if we allow for different couplings to protons and neutrons  
(isoscalar and isovector)

# A surrogate model for direct dark matter detection



DGC, Cheek, Reid, Schulz 2018

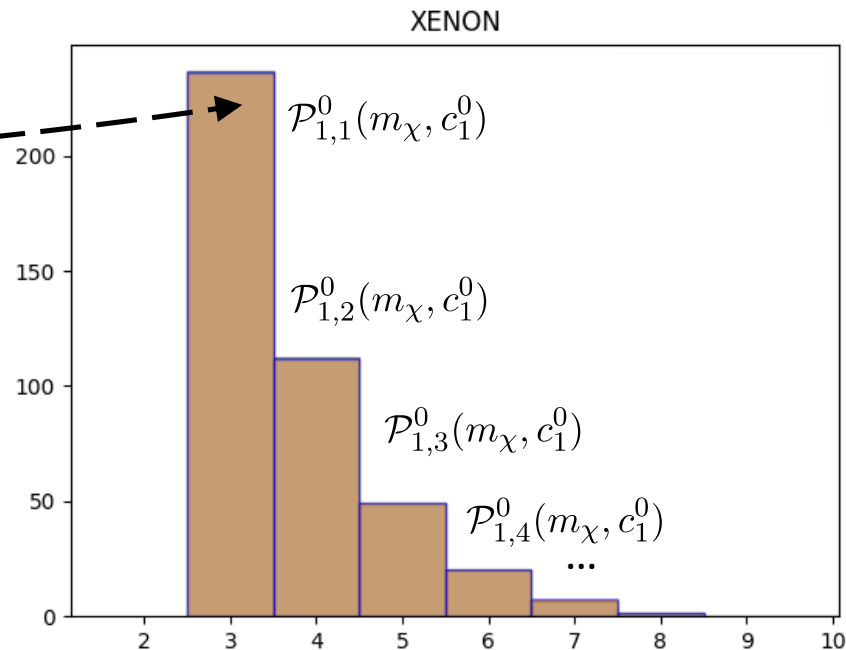
# Speeding up the reconstruction of DM parameters:

The number of DM events **for a given energy bin** is, in the simplest cases, a smooth function of the scattering cross section and the DM mass

$$N_k = \frac{\rho_0}{m_N m_\chi} \int_{E_k}^{E_{k+1}} dE_R \epsilon(E_R) \int_{E'_R} dE'_R \text{Gauss}(E'_R, E_R) \int_{v_{min}} d\vec{v} v f(\vec{v}) \frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE'_R},$$


We can try to fit  $N_k$  to an analytical function of the DM parameters

(for a given choice of target material and halo properties)



# Surrogate models for direct detection (RAPIDD)

We have used the **PROFESSOR** tool to obtain an analytical approximation (in terms of polynomials) for the expected DM rate in each energy bin (k)

$$\begin{aligned}
 N_k &= \frac{\rho_0}{m_N m_\chi} \int_{E_k}^{E_{k+1}} dE_R \epsilon(E_R) \int_{E'_R} dE'_R \text{Gauss}(E'_R, E_R) \int_{v_{min}} d\vec{v} v f(\vec{v}) \frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE'_R}, \\
 &= \int_{E_k}^{E_{k+1}} dE \frac{\rho_0 m_T}{32\pi^2 m_\chi^2 m_N^2} \left\langle \frac{1}{v} \sum_{ij} \sum_{\tau, \tau'=0,1} c_i^{(\tau)} c_j^{(\tau')} \mathcal{F}_{i,j}^{(\tau, \tau')}(v^2, q^2) \right\rangle \\
 &\sim \sum_{ij} \sum_{\tau, \tau'=0,1} \mathcal{P}_{ij,k}^{(\tau\tau')}(c_i, c_j, m_\chi, \alpha, \beta, \dots)
 \end{aligned}$$


RAPIDD is trained for an initial random population of points, which determines the coefficients of the polynomials.

Astrophysical (and nuclear) uncertainties can be added as extra variables in the polynomials.

# Examples:

This reconstruction works well, provided that the dependence on the parameters is smooth

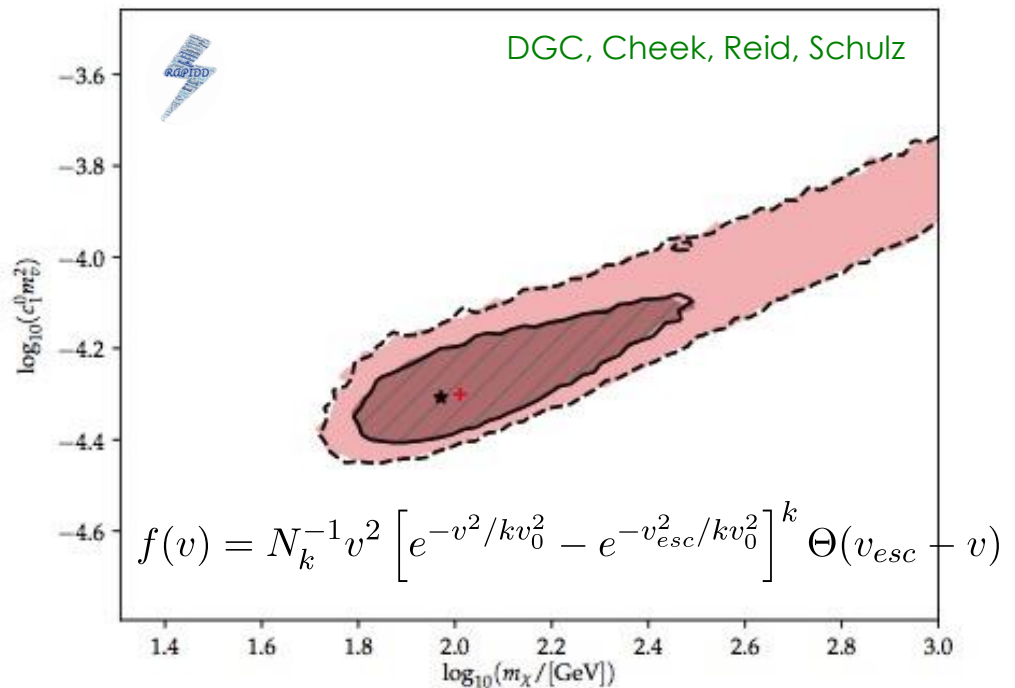
Potential problems appear at low DM masses and in interference regions (these are solved by using more than one polynomial)

**2-D example:**  $(m_\chi, c_1^0)$

Spin-independent scattering

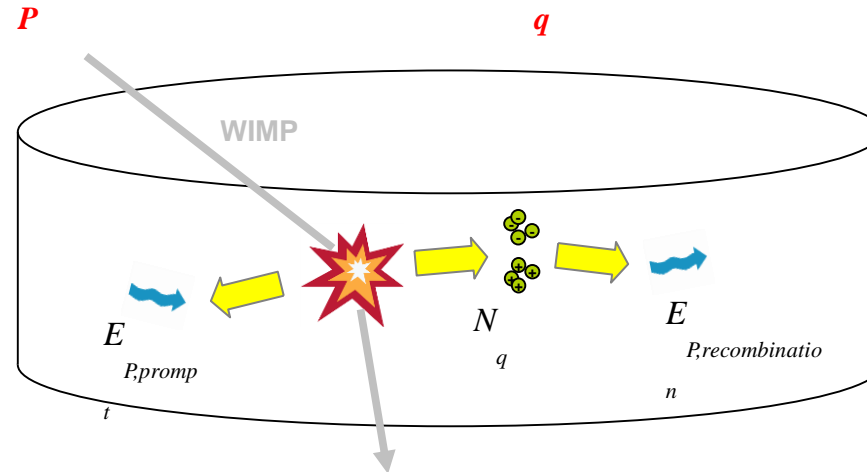
We achieve a good reconstruction in 1/200<sup>th</sup> of the time

Results are also consistent when uncertainties in the DM halo are included (5D scan)



# The SuperCDMS approach

Measure phonons ( $E_P$ ) and charge carriers ( $N_q$ ) produced by recoiling Ge nucleus



$$N_q = Y \frac{E_R}{\epsilon}, \quad \epsilon(\text{Ge}) = 3.0 \text{ eV}$$

$$E_P = E_{P,prompt} + E_{P,recombination} = E_R$$

$E$  : Recoil energy, related to WIMP mass

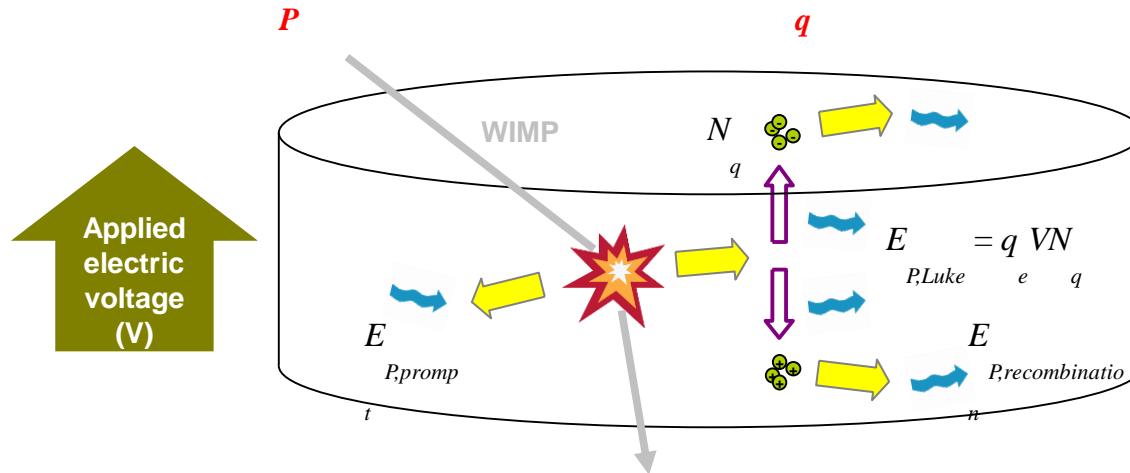
$Y$  : Charge yield, depends on recoiling particle

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Additional contribution to  $E$  called "Luke phonons"

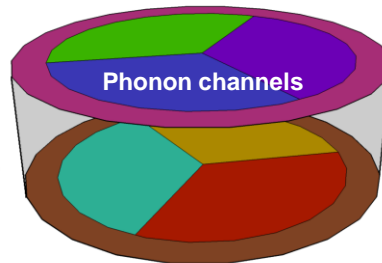
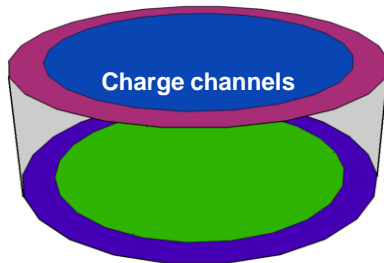
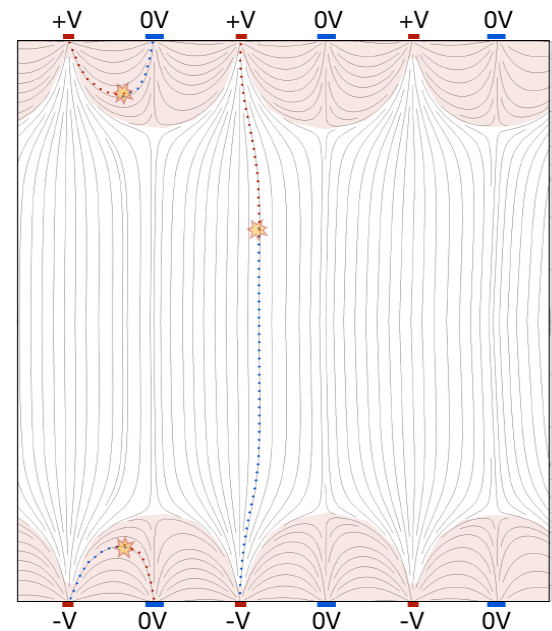
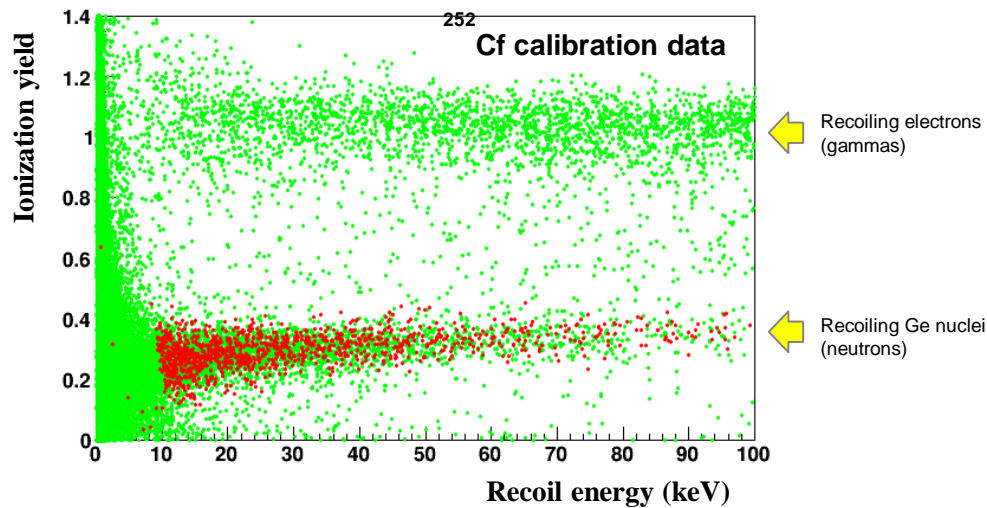
It is possible to know ( $E_R$ ,  $Y$ ) from ( $E_P$ ,  $N_q$ )

# *The SuperCDMS approach*

**The iZIP (“interleaved z-sensitive ionization and phonon sensors”) approach:**

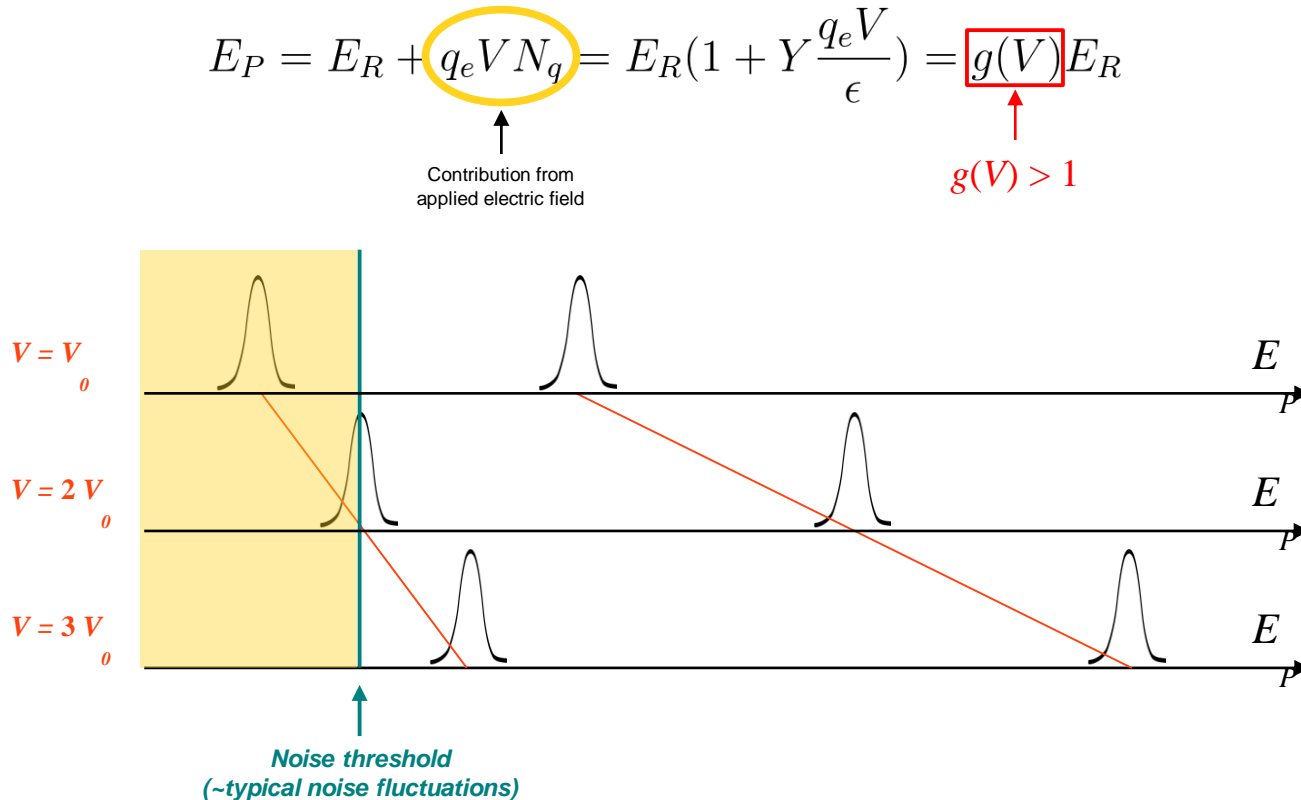
**Measuring  $Y \rightarrow$  NR/ER discrimination**

**Applied electric field (4 V) + segmented readout  $\rightarrow$  full fiducialization**



# The SuperCDMS approach

**The HV (“high-voltage operation”, a.k.a. CDMSlite) approach:**  
**Increased applied voltage ( $V$ ) enables to effectively decrease threshold**



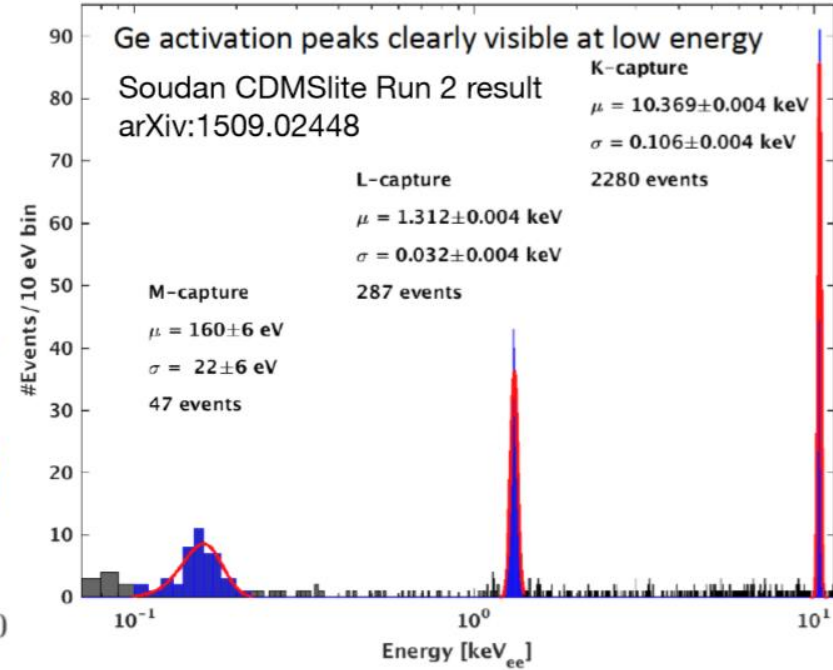
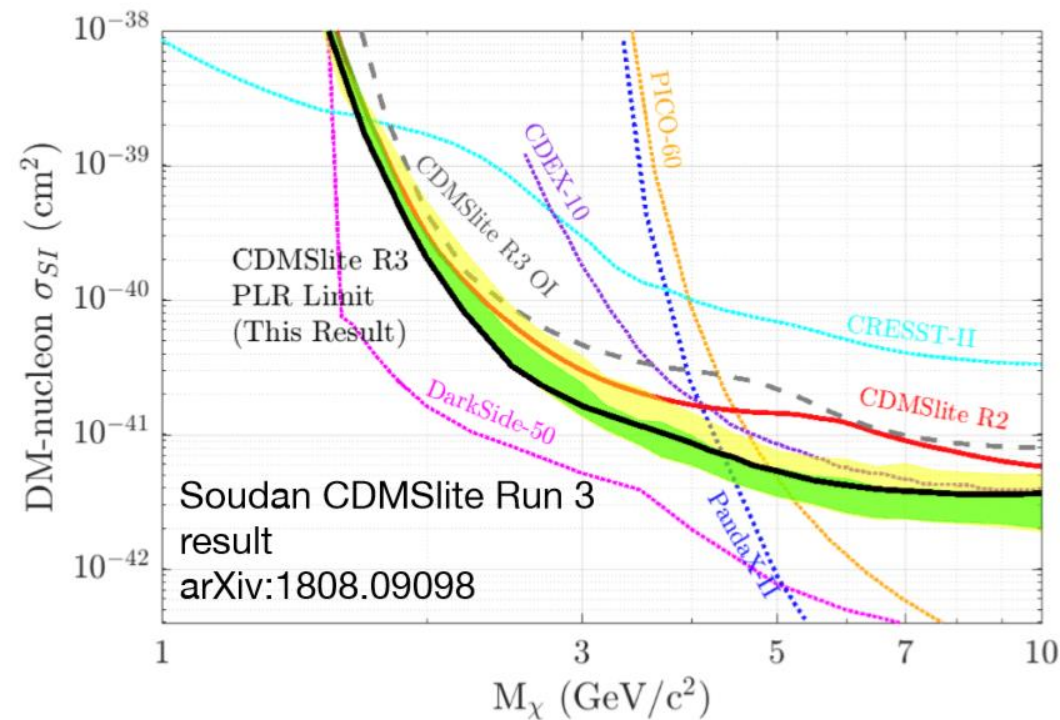
**However  $N$  remains below threshold  $\Rightarrow$  charge signal is useless**

# CDMSlite3 Results

**15 cylindrical Ge detectors, 9.2 kg total**

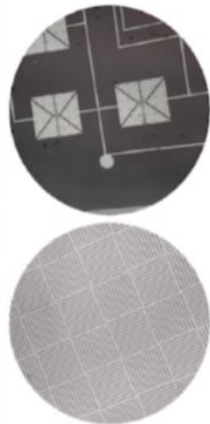
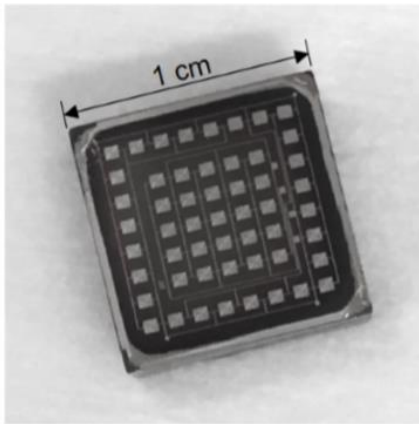
**Deployed at Soudan Underground Laboratory (US, 714 m depth)**

**Operated between March 2012 and November 2015**



# SuperCDMS HVeV

Using the SuperCDMS QET technology, but optimising for resolution

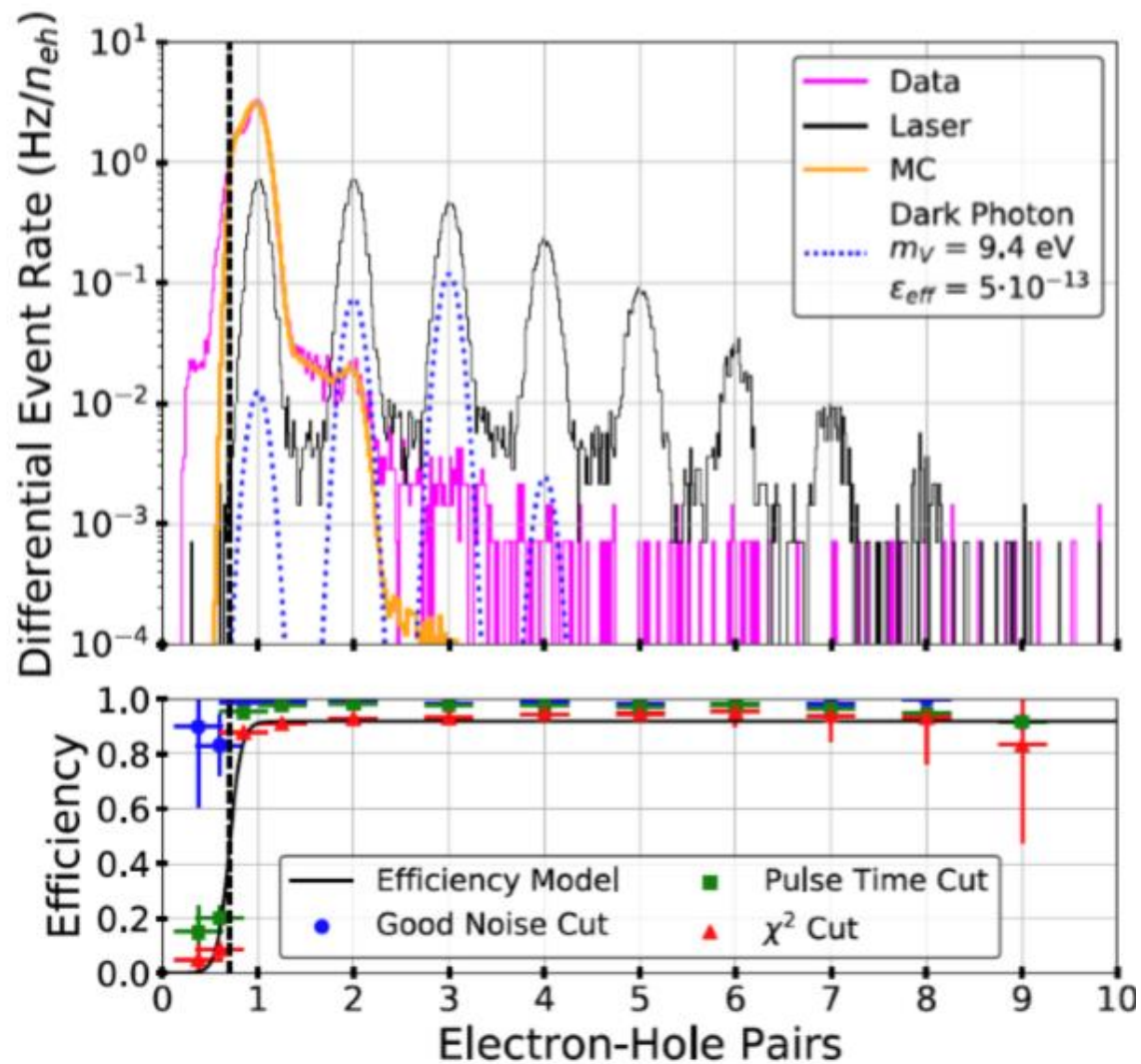


cm<sup>2</sup> sized Si detectors operating at high voltage with eV-scale phonon resolution

They are sensitive to single e-h<sup>+</sup> pair resolution (effectively lowering the detection threshold to eV scale)

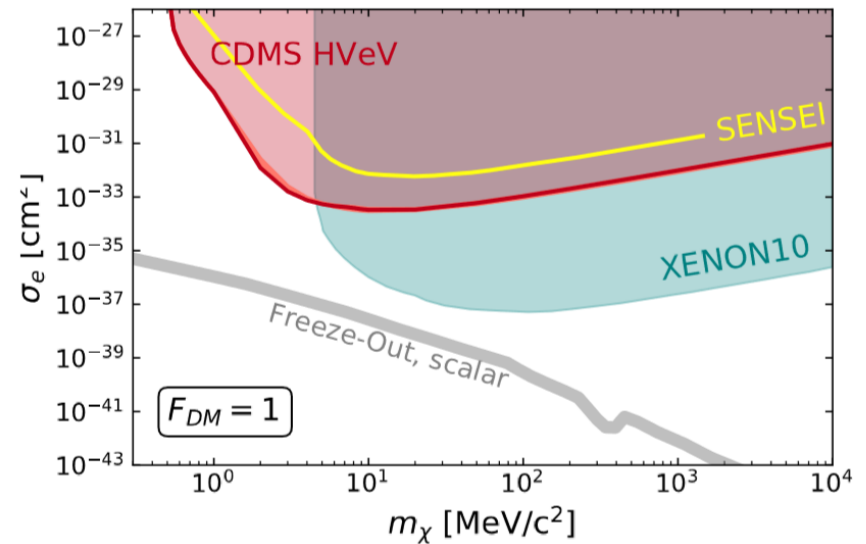
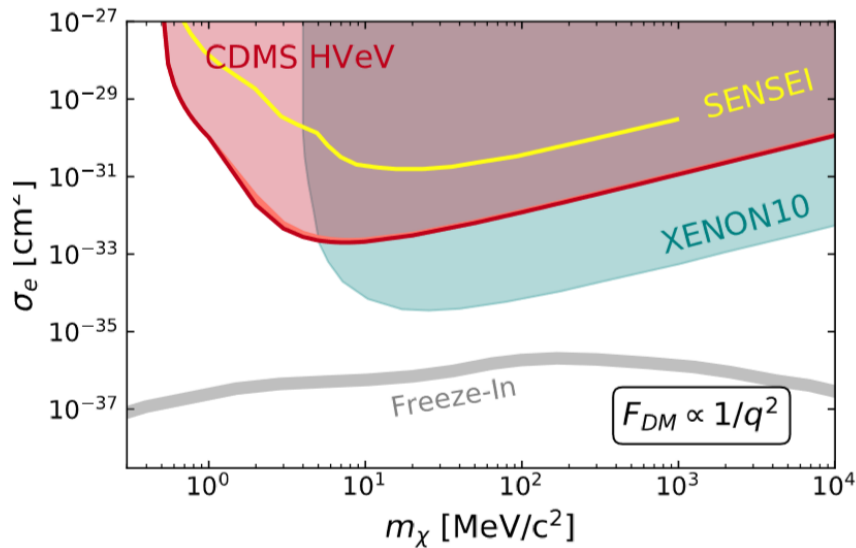
1 cm x 1 cm x 0.4 cm device running for 27+9 hours with a bias voltage of 140V for a total exposure of 0.49 g day

# SuperCDMS HVeV



# Bounds on dark matter with electron recoils

$$\frac{dR}{d \ln E_R} = V_{det} \frac{\rho_{DM}}{m_{DM}} \frac{\rho_{Si}}{2m_{Si}} \bar{\sigma}_e \alpha \frac{m_e^2}{\mu_{DM}^2} I_{crystal}(E_e; F_{DM})$$



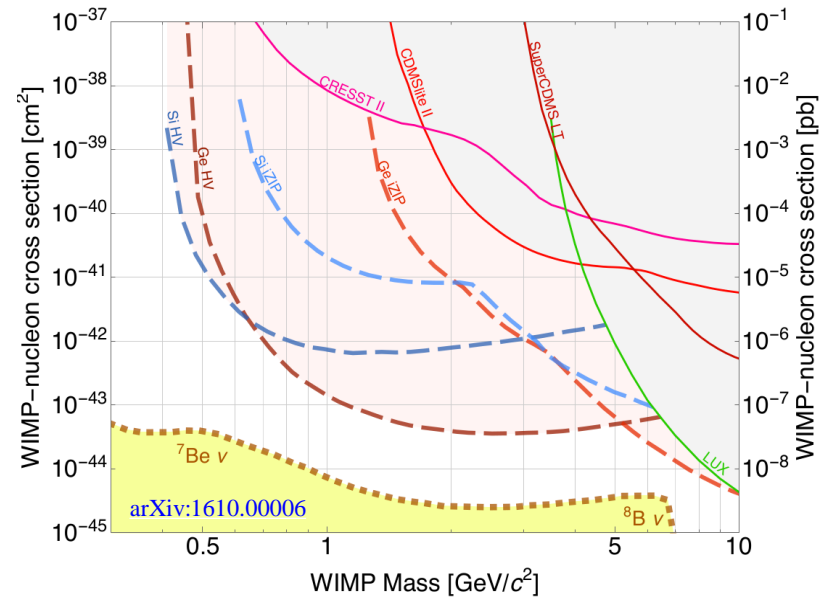
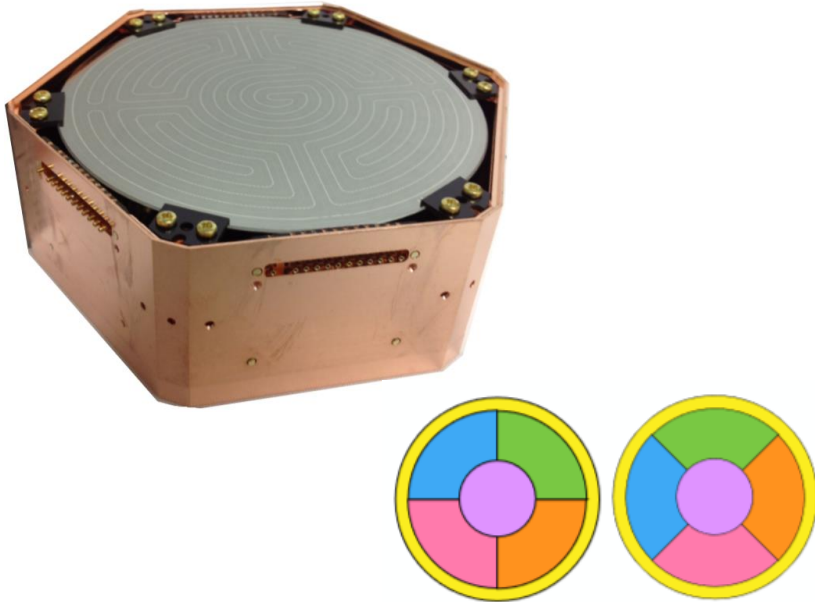
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# SuperCDMS SNOLAB

## Project proposal:

- iZIP detectors (full background rejection capabilities): 14 kg Ge, 1.2 kg Si
- HV detectors (lowered energy threshold): 10 kg Ge, 2.4 kg Si

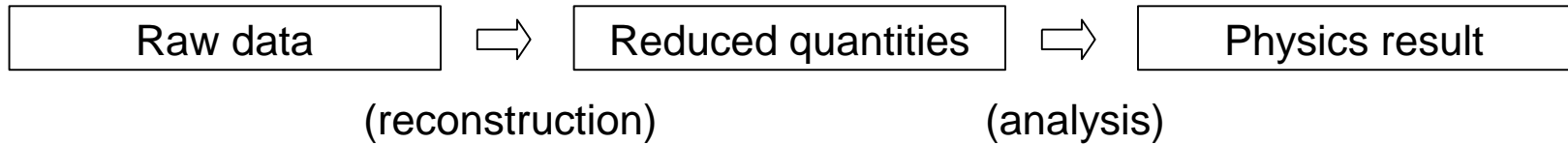
In construction phase since project review on January 2018



Planned to start operations in 2020, expecting ~5 years of data taking

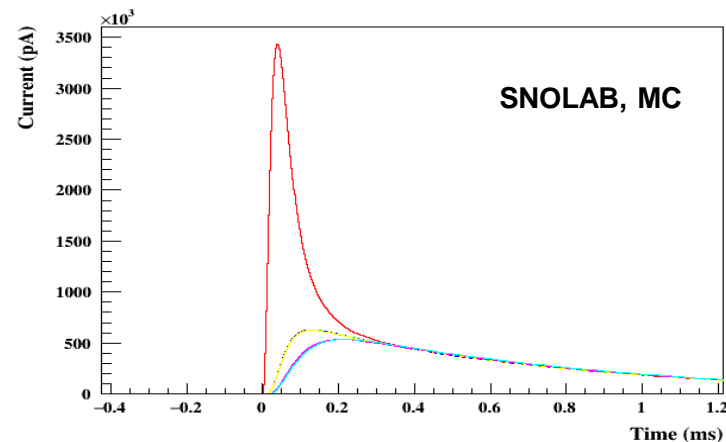
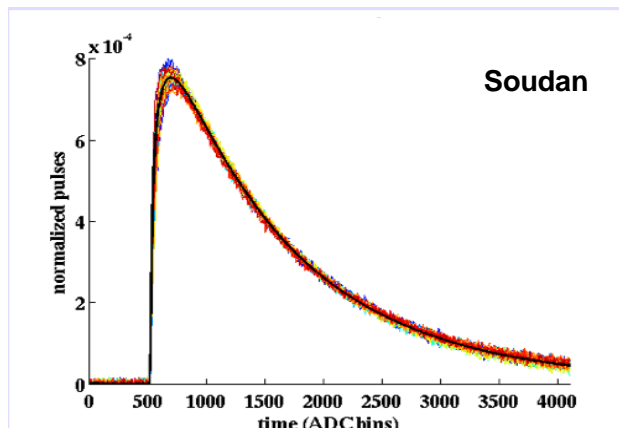
# *Development of the event reconstruction*

**Event reconstruction: Processing of the raw event data to obtain information of the particle interactions (recoil energy, position, etc...)**



**Traditionally: Fit measured pulses to fixed templates, in Fourier space (to filter noise)  
(Information derived from pulse amplitudes)**

**But: Large position dependence in SuperCDMS SNOLAB**



# *Development of the event reconstruction*

## **For this reason:**

- **Proposed to create a working group in the SuperCDMS Collaboration to develop the event reconstruction of SuperCDMS SNOLAB (Aug. 2017)**
- **The SNOLAB Reconstruction working group was created on Sep. 2017**
- **SNOLAB Reconstruction working group was coordinated by MultiDark member (Elías López Asamar) between Sep. 2017 and Jan. 2019**

## **Achievements:**

- **Carried out studies to assess the performance of different fitting algorithms**
- **Established that standard reconstruction algorithms need to be preceded by an initial stage that provides an approximate reconstruction**
- **Developed a prototype implementation to fully reconstruct the noise signal, based on a simultaneous multi-template fit**
- **Started to study machine learning methods to filter noise**

**There has been coordination with other SuperCDMS collaborators to ensure that the activity of the SNOLAB Reconstruction working group will continue**

# *MultiDark participation in LZ*

**Elías López Asamar left the SuperCDMS Collaboration on Jan. 2019, and joined the LZ Collaboration via the group at LIP-Coimbra (as postdoc)**

**Main activities of the LIP-Coimbra group:**

- Analysis of ultra-rare (2-beta) nuclear decays:  $^{134}\text{Xe}$ ,  $^{136}\text{Xe}$ , etc
- Backgrounds (the backgrounds studies in LZ are coordinated by a member of LIP-Coimbra)
- Slow-control of the detector

# *Summary*

- **SuperCDMS based on semiconductor technology, measuring phonon and charge signal**
- **SuperCDMS SNOLAB under construction, expected to start operations on 2020**
- **Since Sep 2017-Jan 2019 the group coordinated the event reconstruction for SuperCDMS SNOLAB**
- **The IPPP group is now involved mainly in developing numerical tools and analysis of Effective Field Theories**
- **Now MultiDark has also presence in LZ**

*Thank you for your attention...*

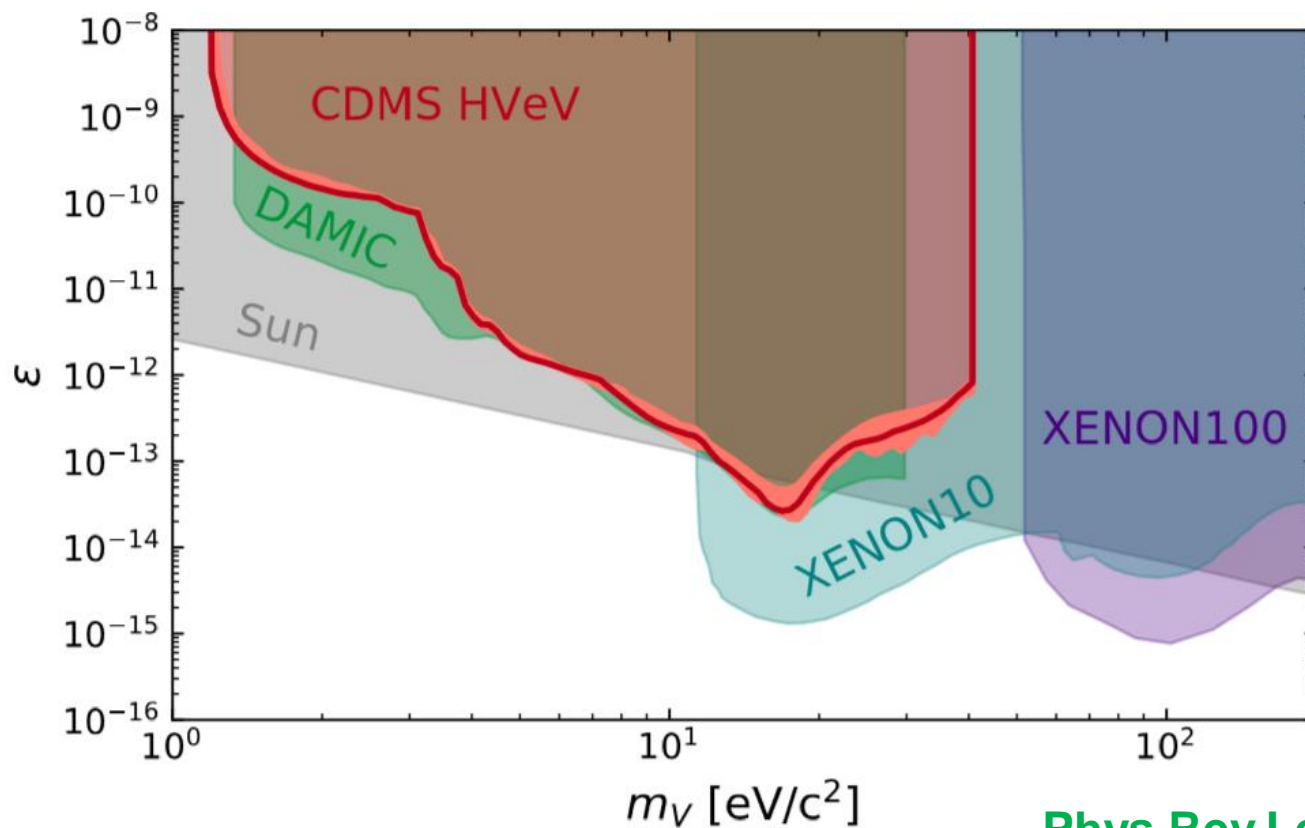




# Bounds on dark photons

“Heavy” photon with kinetic mixing with the SM photon.

$$R = V_{det} \frac{\rho_{DM}}{m_V} \varepsilon_{eff}^2(m_V, \tilde{\sigma}) \sigma_1(m_V).$$



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