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dwarf spheroidal galaxy (dSph)

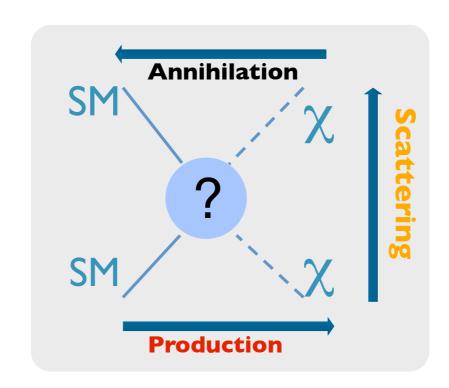
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# Indirect Search for Dark Matter (and Solar Atmospheric Neutrinos)

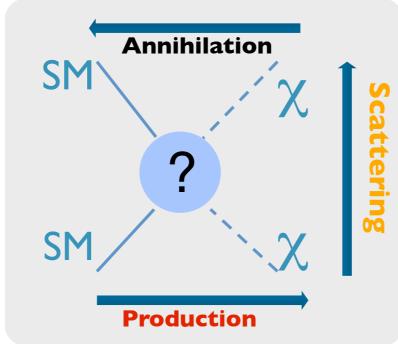
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## Outline

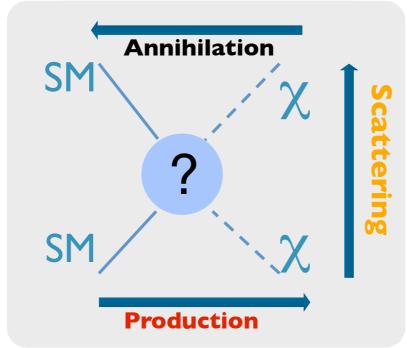
- Motivation
- Search for self-annihilating dark matter
- Search for decaying dark matter
- Dark Matter capture in the Earth and the Sun
- Solar Atmospheric Neutrino and associated Neutrino Floor
- Outlook & Conclusions

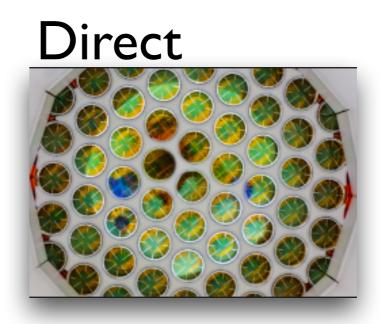




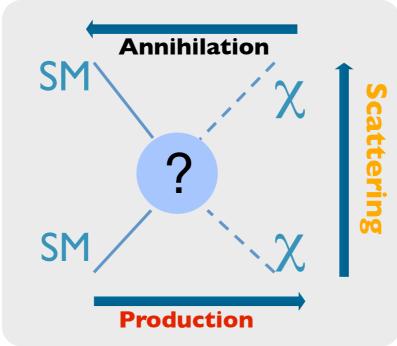




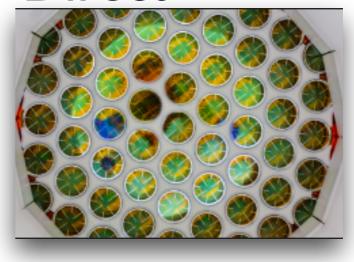














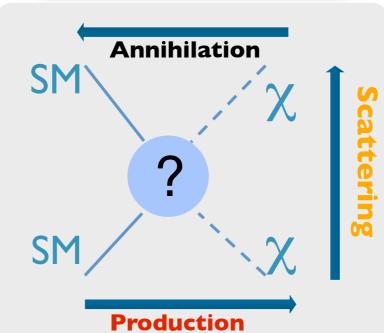




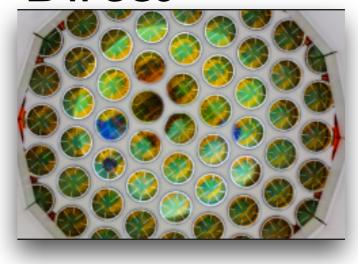








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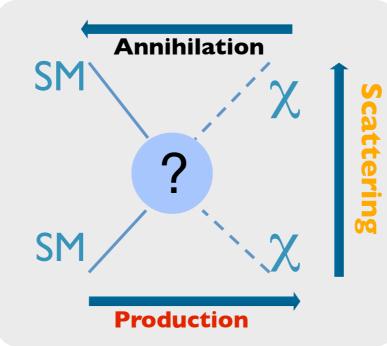






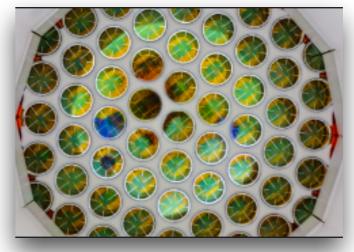








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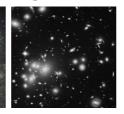


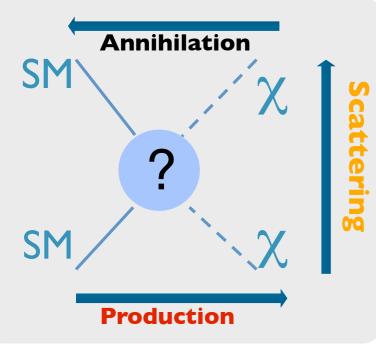






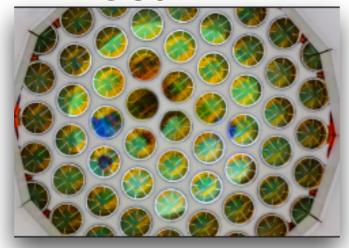








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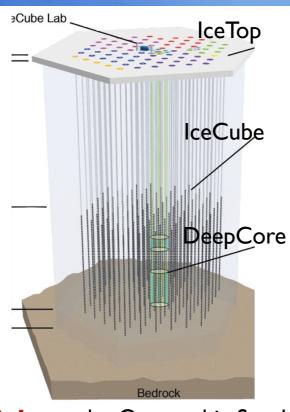


#### The case for Neutrinos

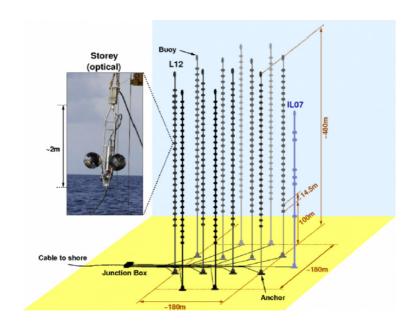
- Search for signals from the Galaxy, etc.
  - Probe DM self-annihilation cross section or lifetime (for decaying DM)
- Search for signals of dark matter captured in the Sun (and Earth)
  - Probe DM-Nucleon scattering
- Neutrino detectors naturally observe the entire sky (all-sky coverage)
- Neutrino detection efficiency rises with energy, and angular resolution improves



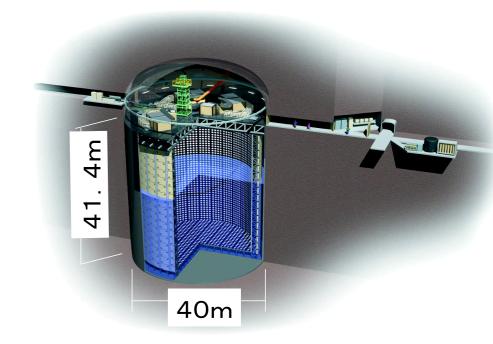
# Atmospheric Neutrino Telescopes / Detectors Searching for Dark Matter ...



- IceCube at the Geographic South
   Pole
- 5160 10"PMTs in Digital optical modules distributed over 86 strings instrumenting ~1km<sup>3</sup>
- Physics data taking since 2007;
   Completed in December 2010,
   including DeepCore low-energy extension



- ANTARES is located at a depth of 2475 m in the Mediterranean Sea, 40 km offshore from Toulon
- Consists 885 10"PMTs on 12 lines with 25 storeys each.
- Detector was competed in May 2008; Phyiscs data taking since 2007



- Super-Kamiokande at Kamioka uses IIK 20" PMTs
- 50kt pure water (22.5kt fiducial) water-cherenkov detector
- Operating since 1996

Detect Cherenkov light from neutrino interaction products

Main backgrounds: Atmospheric neutrino, atmospheric muons (down-going)

# Dark Matter Self-annihilations <σ<sub>A</sub>v>

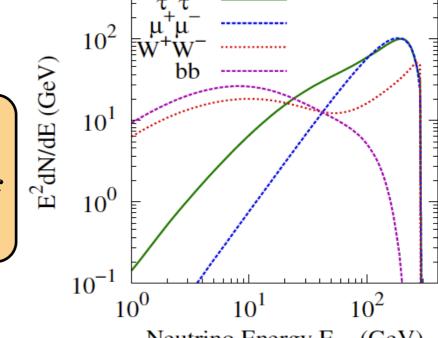
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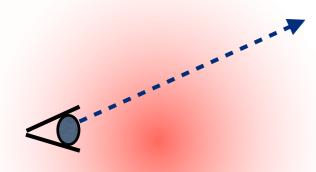
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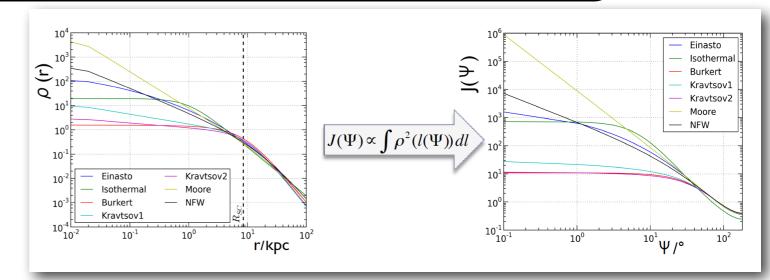


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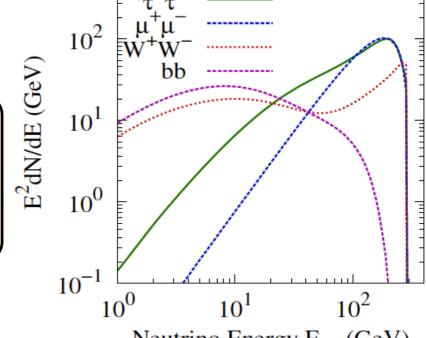
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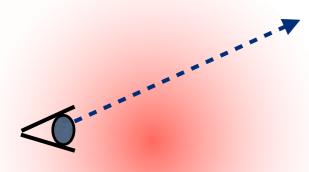
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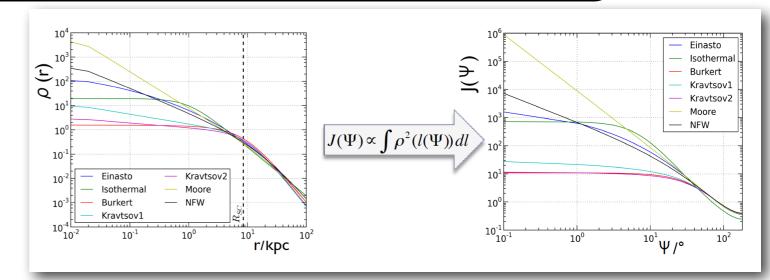


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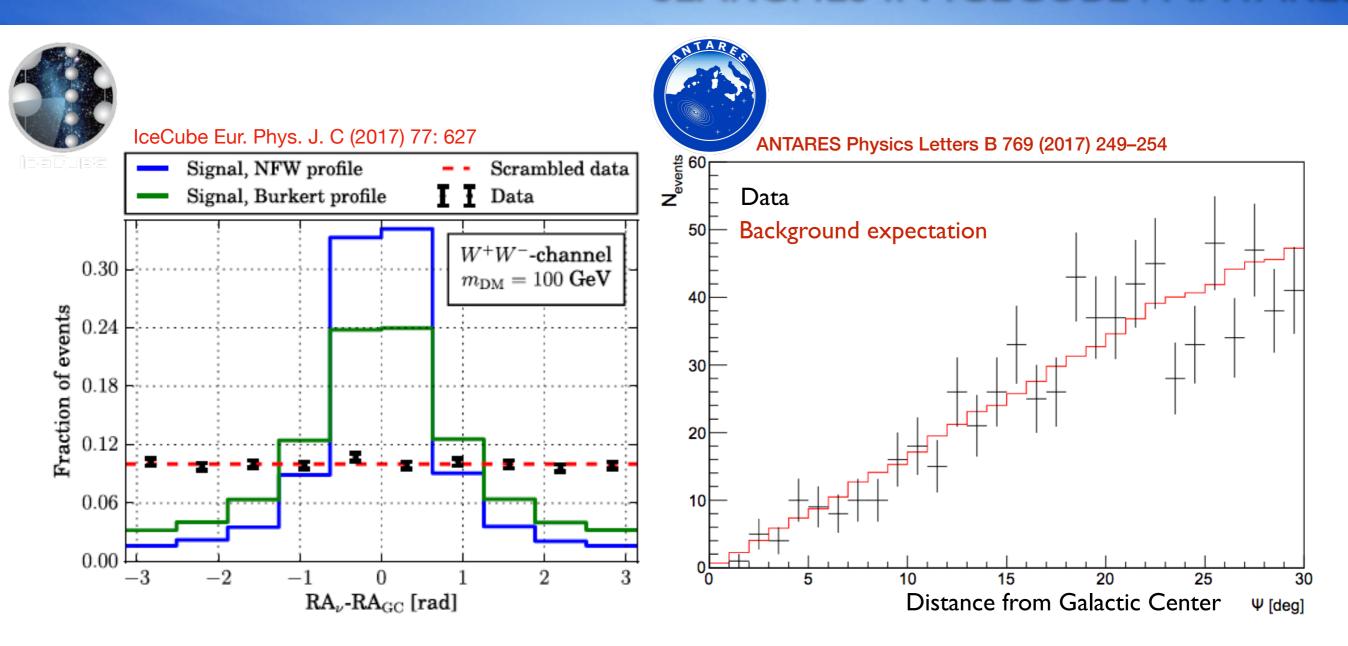


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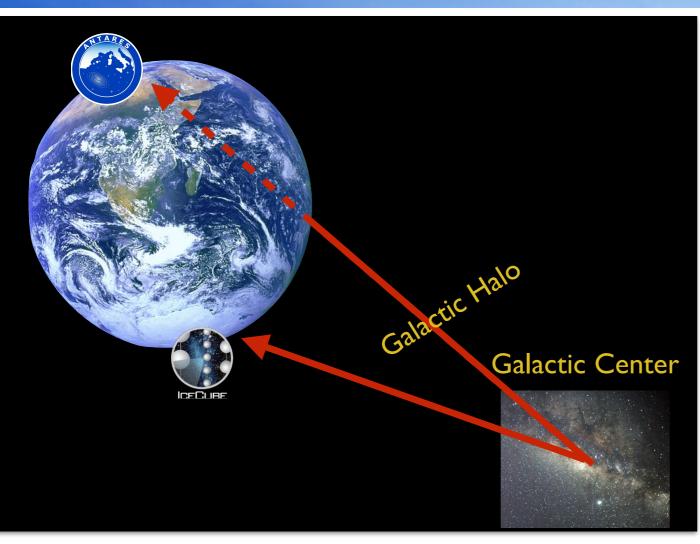
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Search for DM annihilation in the Galactic Halo (IceCube) and Galactic Center (ANTARES)

Observations consistent with background expectations

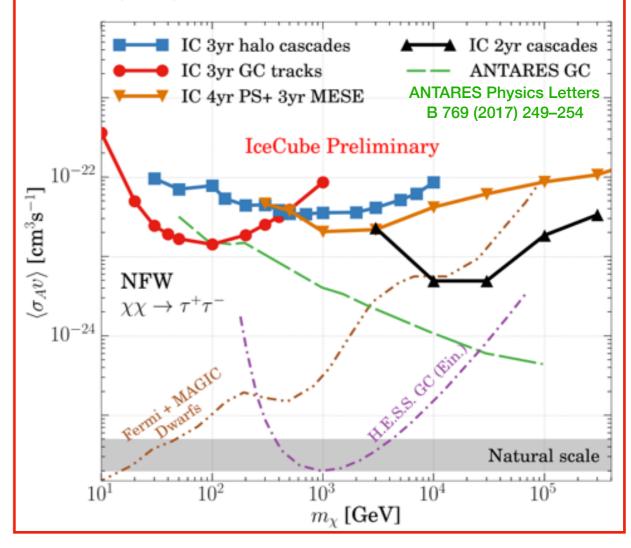
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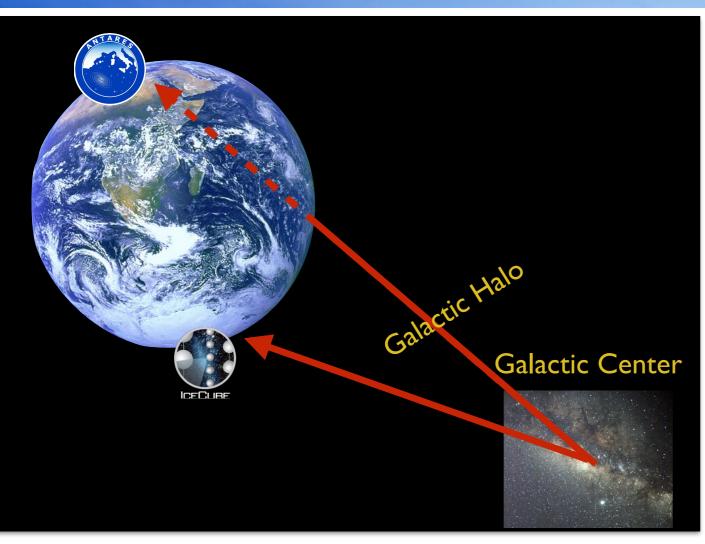
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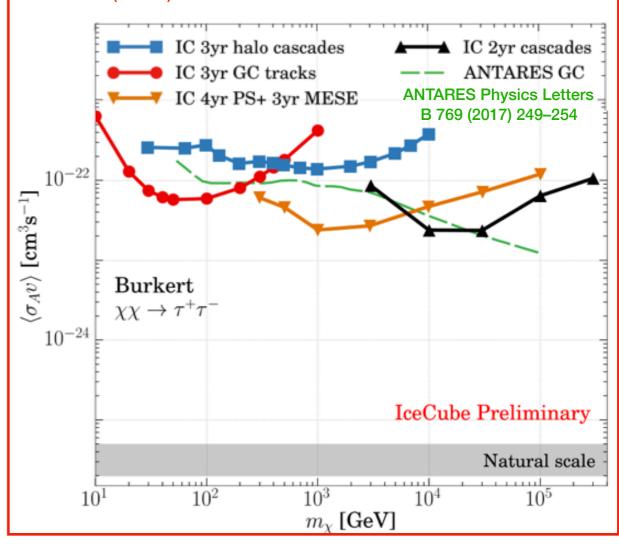
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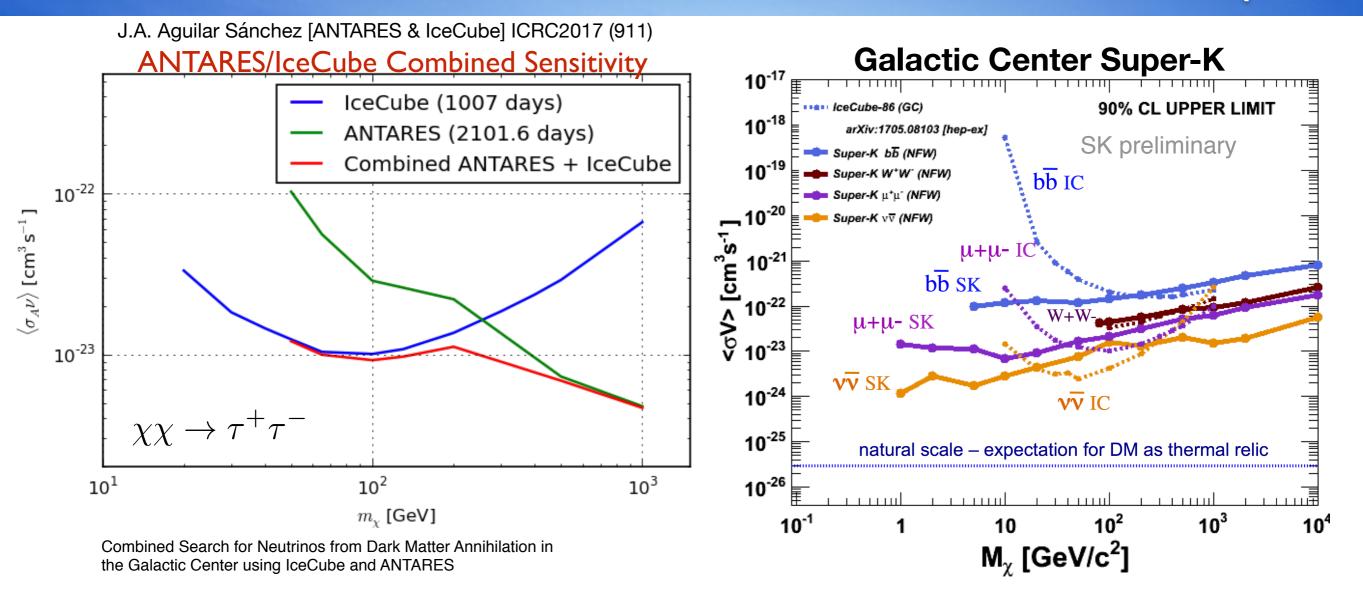
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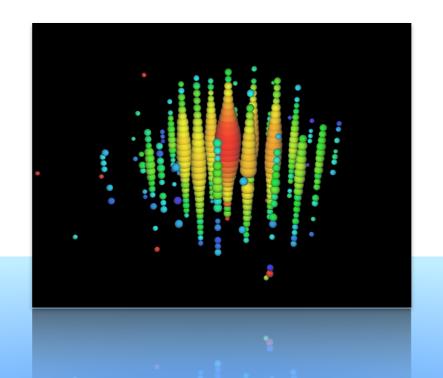


#### Galactic Center / Galactic Halo - IceCube/ ANTARES/Super-K

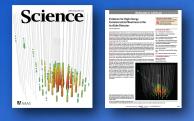


- Combined analysis enhances sensitivity in overlap region and helps to make analyses more comparable
- Very competitive result from Super-K for dark matter masses below a 100GeV

Neutrino Telescopes can probe models motivated by the cosmic-ray positron excess (PAMELA, AMS-02, ...)



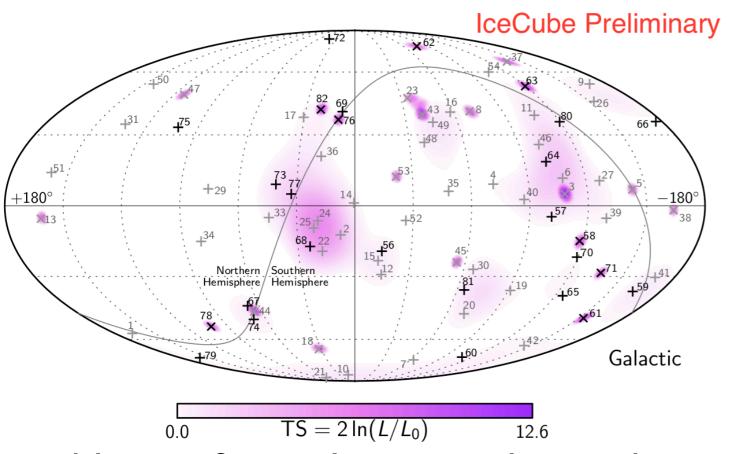
Dark Matter Decay / Astro-physical Neutrinos



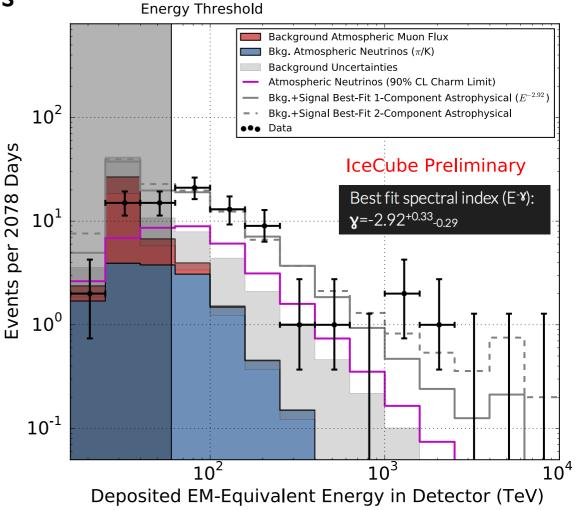
#### IceCube - High-energy neutrino search 6years

"HESE" - High Energy Starting Events 80 events observed (track-like & showers) 41 events expected from atmospheric backgrounds

IceCube Collaboration, Science 342, 1242856 (2013), IceCube Collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett 113, 101101 (2014)



No significant clustering observed - consistent with isotropic

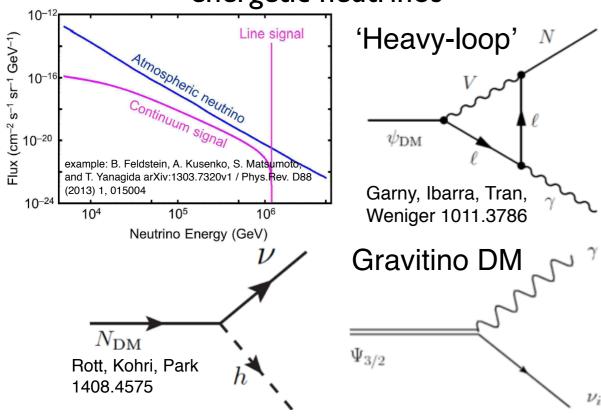


Best fit spectral index E-2.92

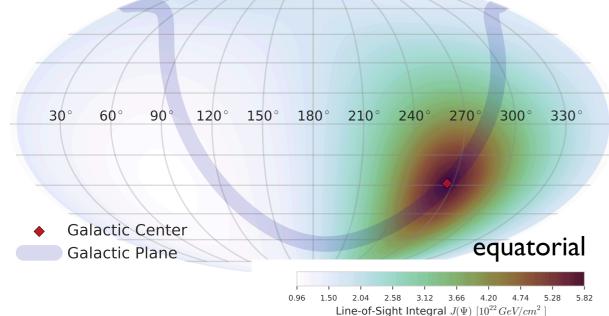
Observation not well described by simplest astrophysical neutrino source scenarios

## Heavy Dark Matter Decay

Decay process might produce monoenergetic neutrinos



J. Stettner & H. Dujmovic [IceCube] PoS(ICRC2017) 923



## Two flux contributions: Galactic and Extra galactic

$$\frac{d\Phi_{\mathrm{DM},\nu_{\alpha}}}{dE_{\nu}} = \frac{d\Phi_{\mathrm{G},\nu_{\alpha}}}{dE_{\nu}} + \frac{d\Phi_{\mathrm{EG},\nu_{\alpha}}}{dE_{\nu}}$$

- Characteristics of the signal components:
  - (I) Dark Matter decay in the Galactic Halo (Anisotropic flux + decay spectrum)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\Phi^{\mathrm{G}}}{\mathrm{d}E_{\nu}} = \frac{1}{4\pi \, m_{\mathrm{DM}} \, \tau_{\mathrm{DM}}} \frac{\mathrm{d}N_{\nu}}{\mathrm{d}E_{\nu}} \int_{0}^{\infty} \rho(r(s,l,b)) \, \mathrm{d}s$$

 Dark Matter decay at cosmological distances (Isotropic flux + red-shifted spectrum)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\Phi^{\mathrm{EG}}}{\mathrm{d}E} = \frac{\Omega_{\mathrm{DM}} \, \rho_{\mathrm{c}}}{4\pi \, m_{\mathrm{DM}} \, \tau_{\mathrm{DM}}} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{H(z)} \frac{\mathrm{d}N_{\nu}}{\mathrm{d}E_{\nu}} \left[ (1+z) E_{\nu} \right] \, \mathrm{d}z$$

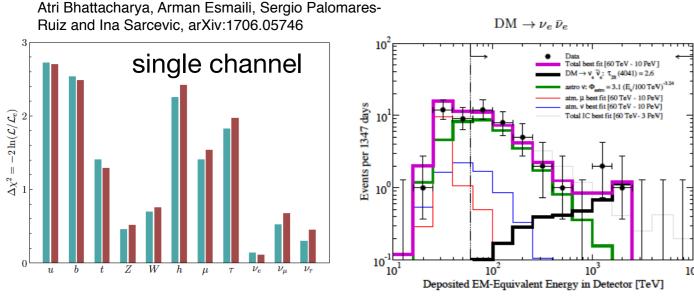
Heavy DM bounds with neutrinos, see also Murase and Beacom JCAP 1210 (2012) 043 Esmaili, Ibarra, and Perez JCAP 1211 (2012) 034 Rott, Kohri, Park PRD92, 023529 (2015) El Aisati, Gustafsson, Hambye 1506.02657

## Heavy Decaying Dark Matter

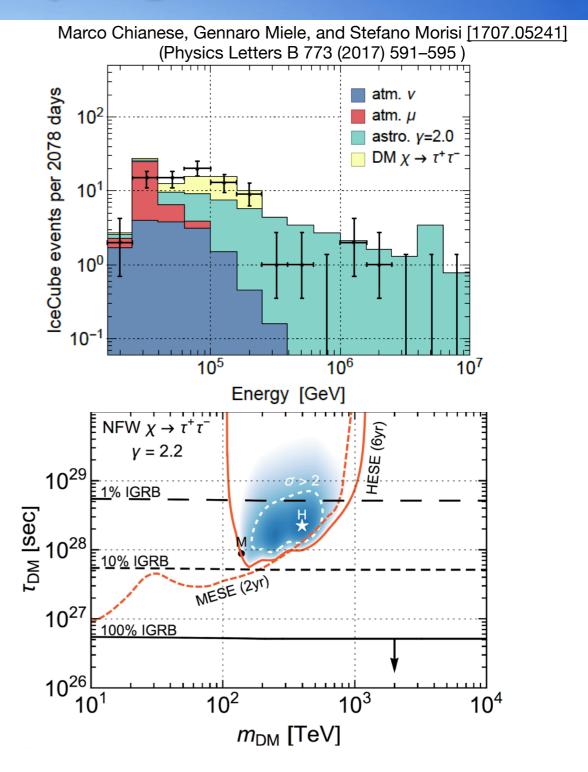
Could the observed neutrino flux be due to only dark matter decaying into multiple channels?

$$\frac{d\Phi_{\mathrm{DM},\nu_{\alpha}}}{dE_{\nu}} = \frac{d\Phi_{\mathrm{G},\nu_{\alpha}}}{dE_{\nu}} + \frac{d\Phi_{\mathrm{EG},\nu_{\alpha}}}{dE_{\nu}}$$

## Take Galactic and Extra galactic contributions into account



Find that HESE data can be best described with the combination of the astrophysical neutrino flux and the dark matter decay



A general word of caution when interpreting HESE events:

- Earth absorption needs to be considered
- Outcome can strongly depends on background assumptions (astrophysical and atmospheric neutrino flux)

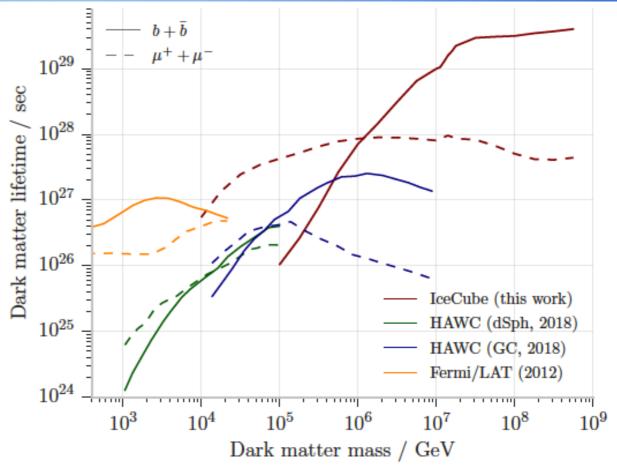
## Dark Matter Decay with IceCube

see also HAWC arXiv:1710.1028

J. Stettner & H. Dujmovic [IceCube] PoS(ICRC2017) 923 IceCube Collaboration arXiv:1804.03848v1

- Two IceCube analyses have been performed on independent data samples
  - Track-like with six years of data
  - Cascade-like with two years of data

	Track-like	Cascade-like
Number of events	352,294	278
Livetime	2060 days	641 days
Sky coverage	North (zenith $> 85^{\circ}$ )	Full Sky
Atm. muon background	0.3%	10%
Median reconstr. error	$< 0.5^{\circ} (E_{\nu} > 100  TeV)$	$\sim 10^{\circ}$
Energy uncertainty	$\sim 100\%$	$\sim 10\%$



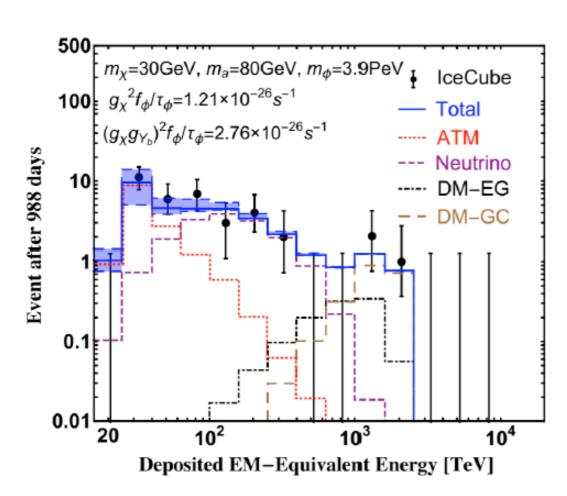
Bound on DM lifetime at  $\sim 10^{27}$ s obtained with IceCube data for  $m_{DM}>10\text{TeV}$ 

- Dark matter alone cannot explain the observed astrophysical neutrino flux in IceCube
- Scenarios with a PeV neutrino line became less attractive with IceCube's observation of neutrino events well above this energy

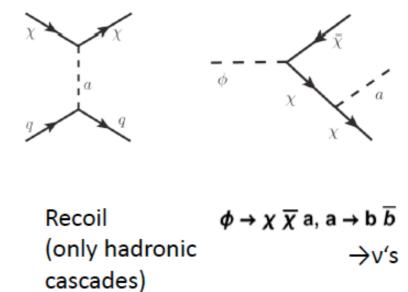
## IceCube Boosted Dark Matter

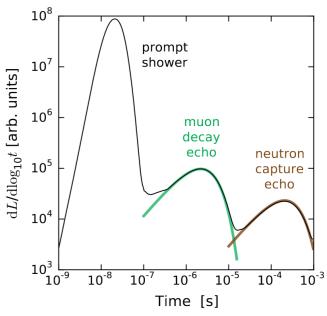
Following search proposed by Kopp, Liu, Wan (2015)

using "Echo Technique" Li, Bustamante, Beacom (2016)



Very heavy dark matter particle  $\phi$  decays to lighter stable dark matter  $\chi \rightarrow$  boost!





Neutrons capture on hydrogen and product 2.2MeV gamma. In seawater, 33% of neutrons capture on CI; the emitted gamma rays have 8.6 MeV, making the neutron echoes more visible

"Echo Technique" holds prospects to individually tag high-energy NC and CC interactions!

May sound crazy, but is just an example for exotic interactions in IceCube detectable via recoil

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see also A. Steuer, L. Koepke [IceCube] PoS(ICRC2017)1008

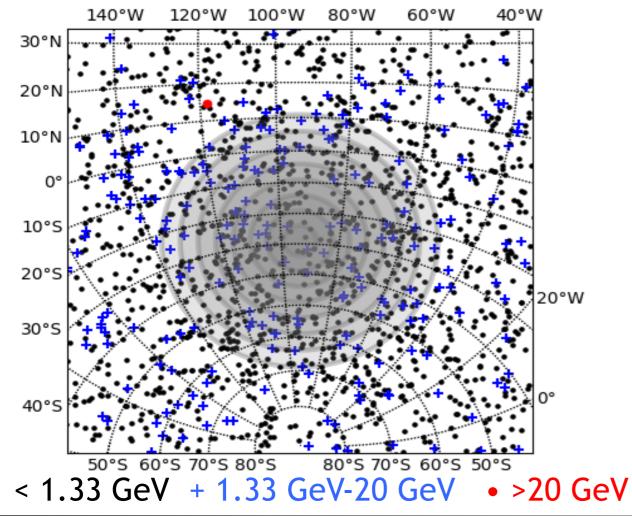
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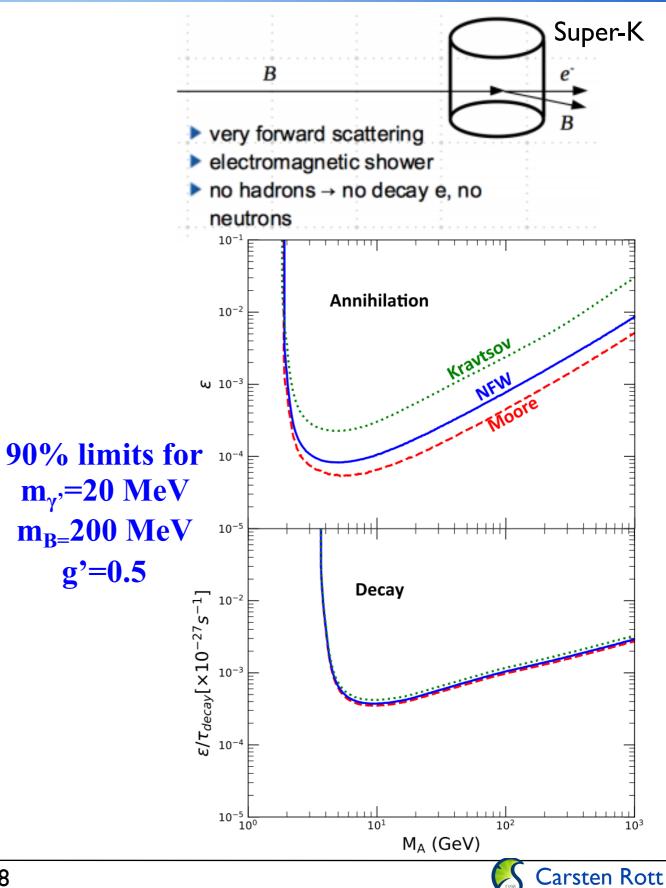
## Super-K Boosted Dark Matter



Cone search: 8 cones from 5° to 40° around GC

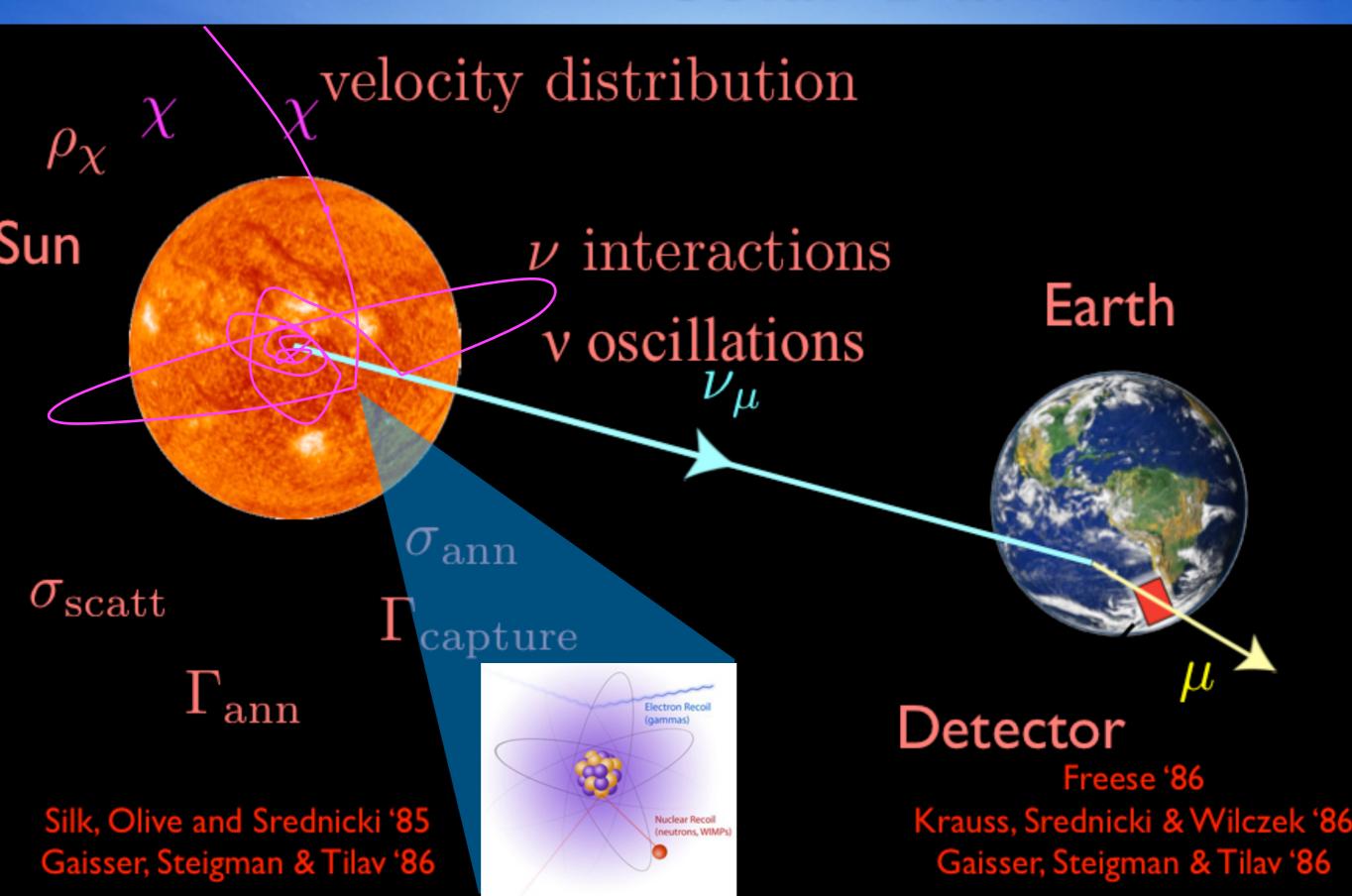
→ no cluster found around Galactic Center





# Dark Matter Capture in the Sun

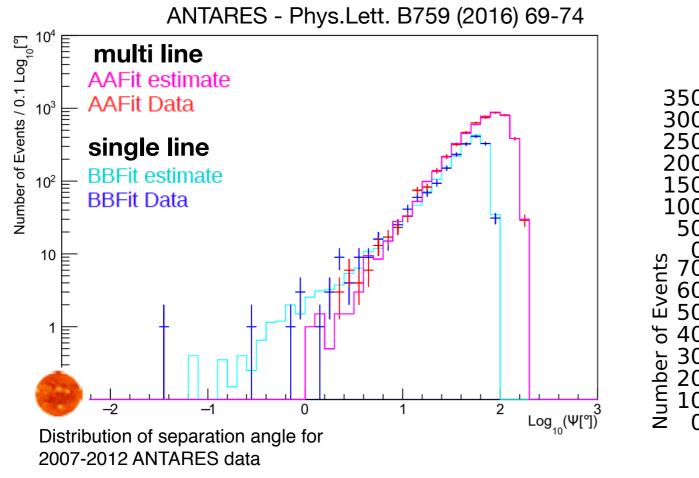
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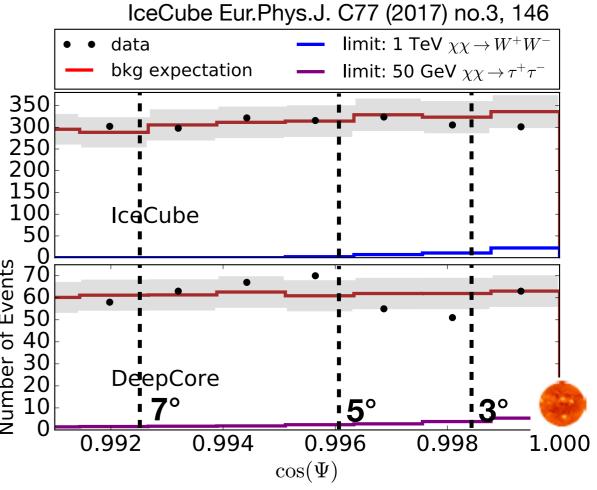


#### Solar Dark Matter - IceCube/ANTARES

#### **ANTARES**

#### IceCube

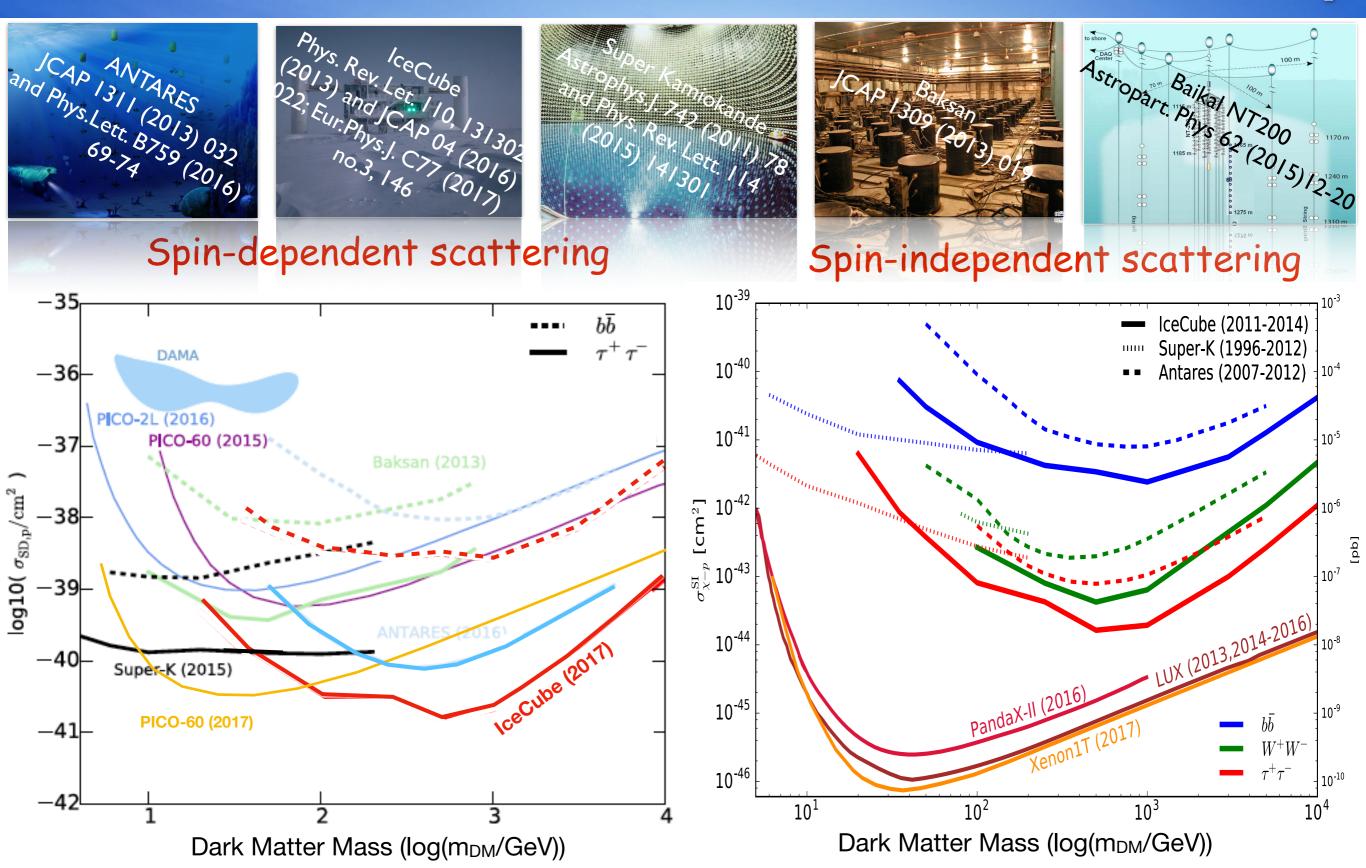




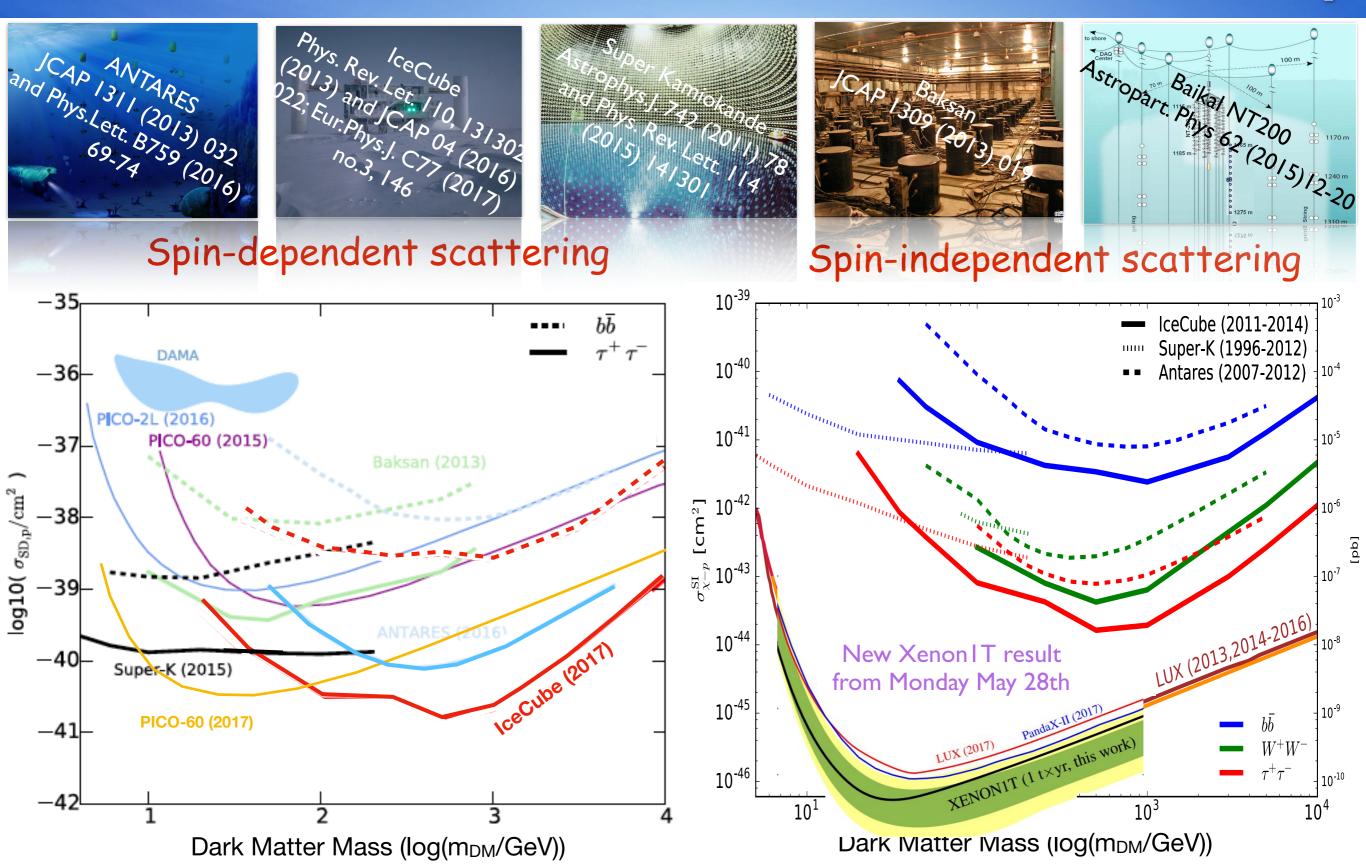
- Search for an excess in direction of the Sun
- Off source region used to reliable predict backgrounds from data
- Energy and angular information taken into account

No excess observed - set limit ...

## Solar Dark Matter Summary

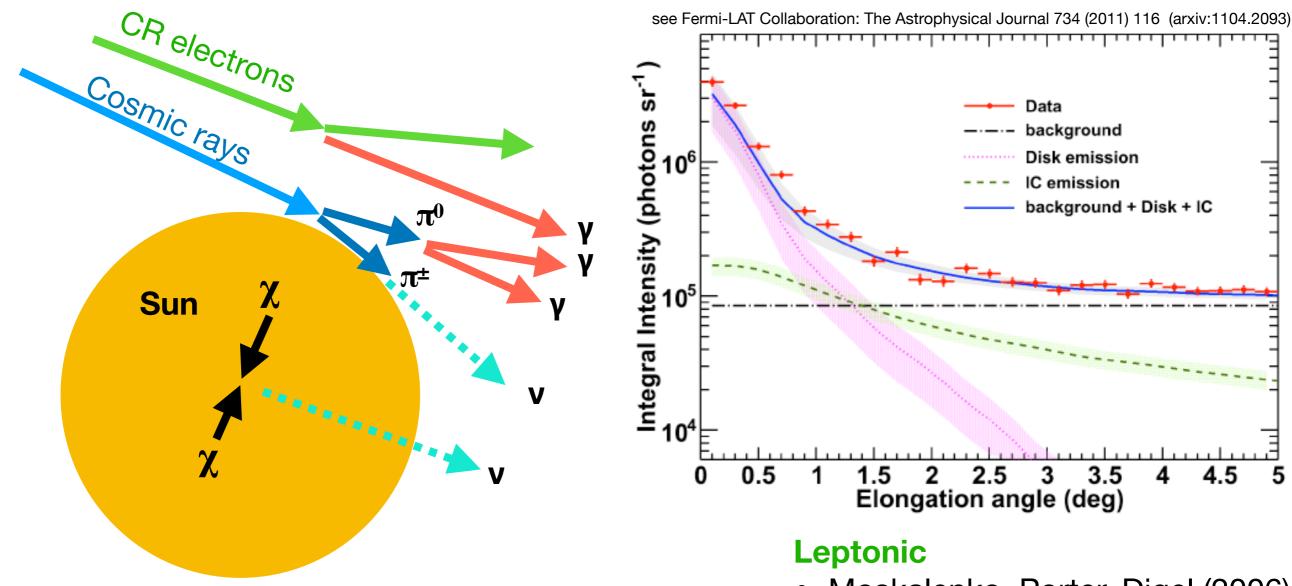


## Solar Dark Matter Summary



# Solar Atmospheric Neutrinos / Solar Atmospheric Neutrino Floor

### Cosmic ray interactions with the Sun



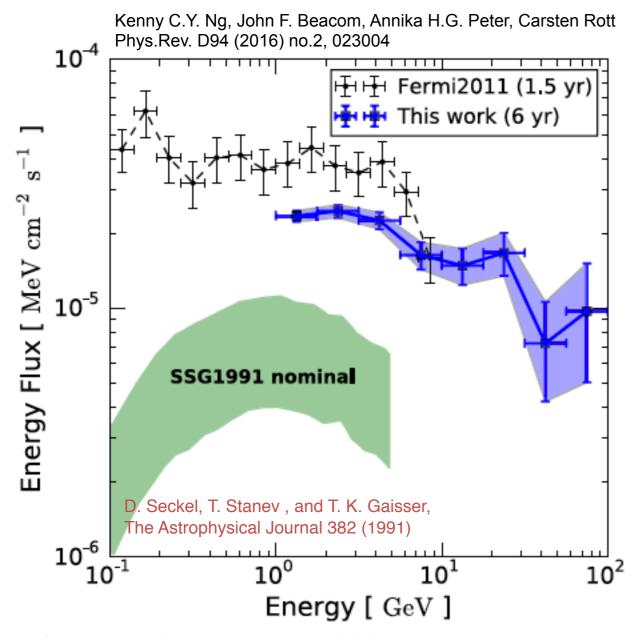
- Cosmic ray interactions in the Solar atmosphere produce gamma-rays and neutrinos
- Background to dark matter searches from the Sun, that soon will be relevant (and could result in the first highenergy neutrino point source)

- Moskalenko, Porter, Digel (2006)
- Orlando, Strong (2007)

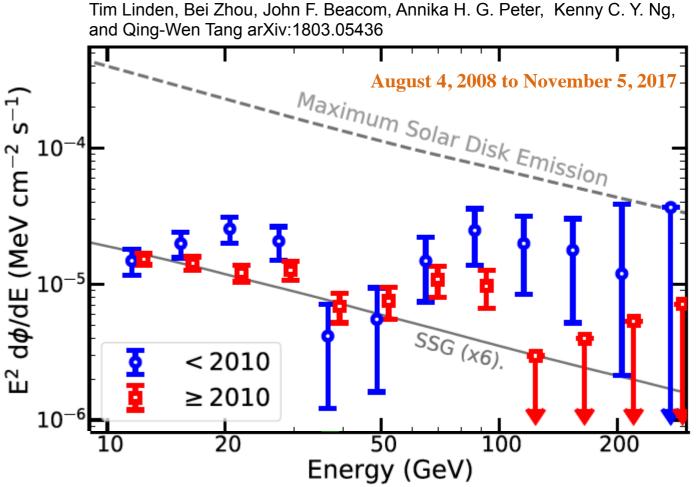
#### **Hadronic**

- Seckel, Stanev, Gaisser (1991)
- Moskalenko, Karakula (1993)
- Ingelman & Thunman (1996)

#### Cosmic ray interactions with the Sun



- Gamma-ray flux extends to I00GeV and beyond
- Gamma-rays below IOGeV anti-correlations with solar activity
- Observed flux factor 5 larger compared to central prediction of SSG1991
- Spectrum could be fit by single power law ( $\gamma$ ~2.3)



- Six gamma rays above 100 GeV are observed during the 1.4 years of solar minimum, none are observed during the next 7.8 year
- From morphology: Evidence that emission is produced by two separate mechanisms
- To understand the underlying physics, gamma-ray (HAWC, Fermi, ...) and neutrino (IceCube) observation of the imminent Cycle 25 solar minimum are crucial

#### Differences in Earth / Solar Atmospheric Neutrinos

#### Neutrino Flux from the Sun

- Solar atmosphere significantly more extended and less dense compared to terrestrial counterpart
  - High energy hadrons more likely to decay rather than reinteract
    - Reduced suppression of high-energy neutrino flux (compared to Earth)
  - High-energy muons decay
- High-energy neutrino absorption for neutrinos propagating through central region of the Sun

# Neutrino flux predictions

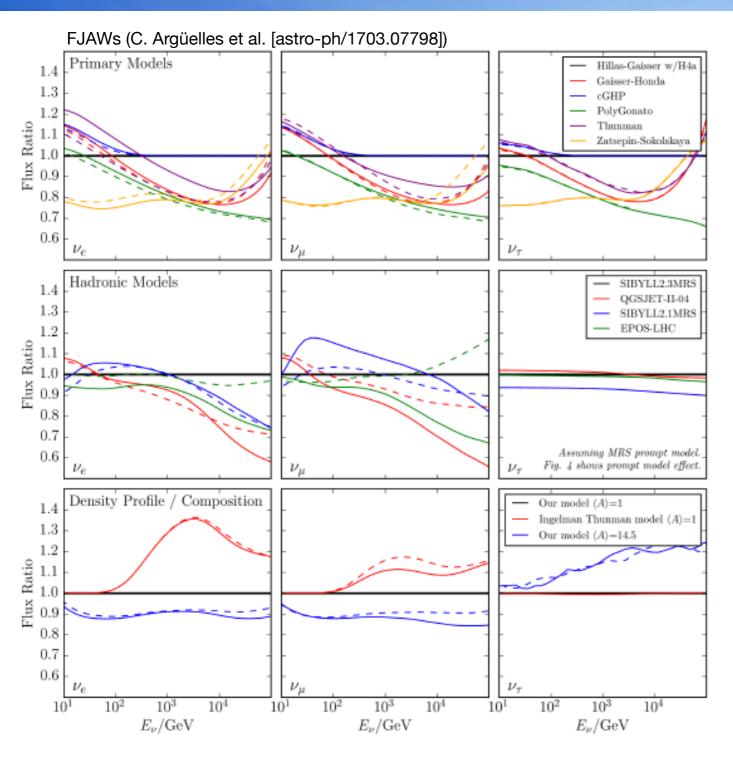
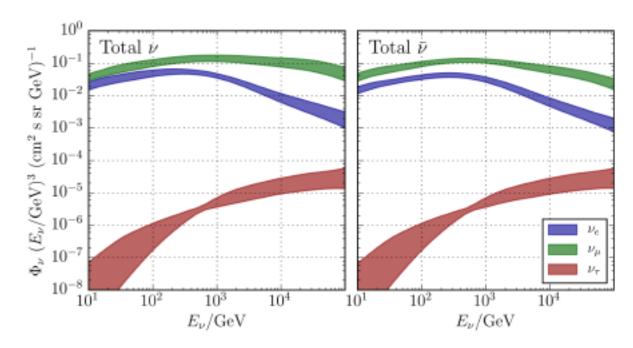


Figure 3. Effects of different models on our flux prediction, for impact parameter b=0. The top row shows various primary models; the second row, hadronic and composition models; the third row, extremal solar density and composition models. See text for more information and references.

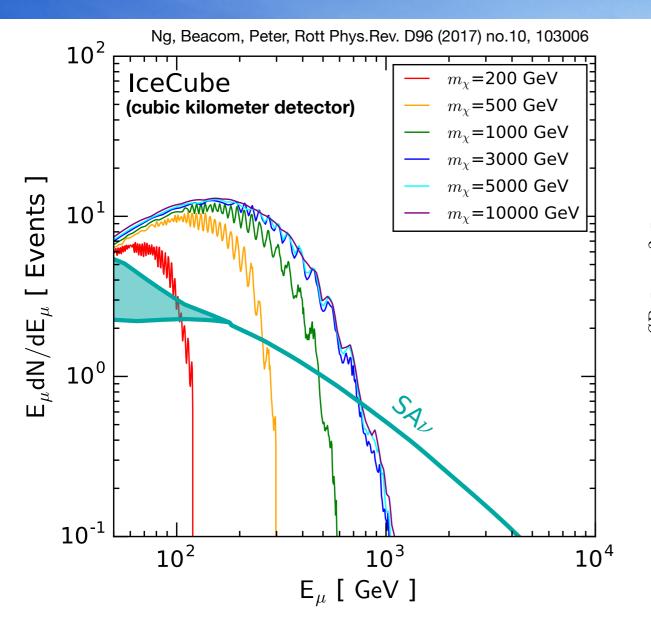


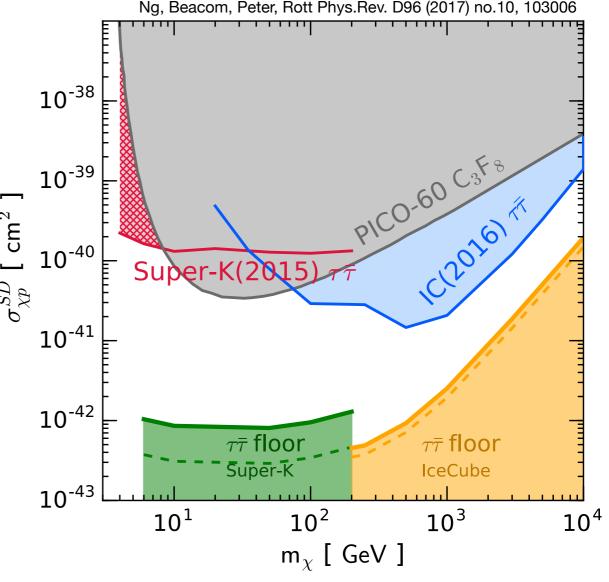
- Flux predictions vary by <30%, based on
  - primary models
  - hadronic models
  - extremal solar density and composition models

#### Recent works on the Solar Atmospheric Neutrinos / Atmospheric Neutrino Floor

- C. Argüelles, G. de Wasseige, A. Fedynitch, B. Jones JCAP 1707 (2017) no.07, 024 [arXiv:1703.07798]
- K. Ng, J. Beacom, A. Peter, <u>C. Rott</u> Phys.Rev. D96 (2017) no. 10, 103006 [arXiv:1703.10280]
- J. Edsjö, J. Elevant, R. Enberg, and C. Niblaeus, JCAP 2017.
   06 (2017), p. 033, arXiv: 1704.02892 [astro-ph.HE]
- M. Masip Astropart.Phys. 97 (2018) 63-68 [arXiv: 1706.01290]

## Cosmic background from the Sun





- Solar Atmospheric neutrinos give a new background to solar dark matter searches
  - However, energy spectrum expected to be different
  - In DM annihilation neutrinos significantly attenuated above a few I00GeV

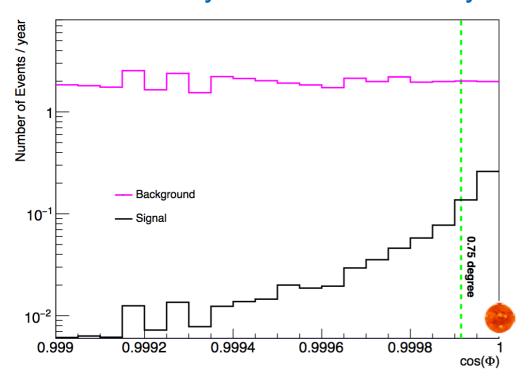
Expect ~2events per year at cubic kilometer detector

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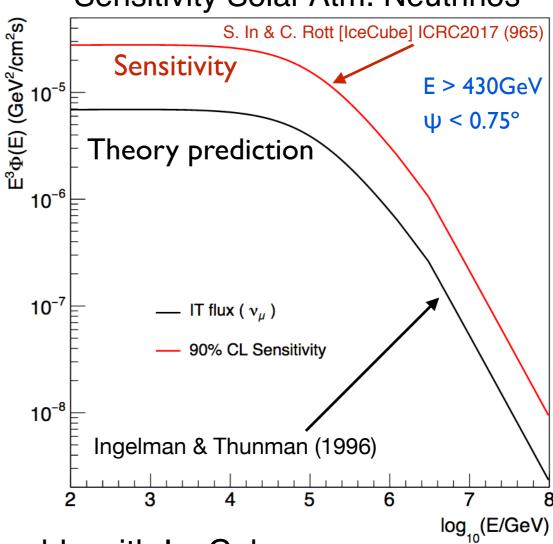
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## Solar Atmospheric Neutrino Search

- Experimental searches have started at
  - IceCube and ANTARES
  - Off-source data for background prediction
  - Cosmic-ray Sun shadow needs to be included as systematic uncertainty



### Sensitivity Solar Atm. Neutrinos



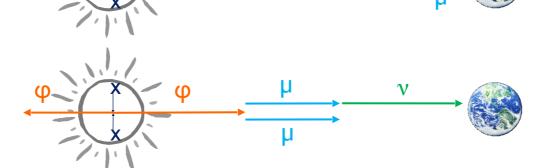
- Solar Atmospheric neutrinos might be observable with IceCube
- Observing solar atmospheric neutrinos is important for:
  - Understanding solar magnetic fields;
  - Cosmic ray propagation in the inner solar system;
  - Improving models of cosmic ray interactions in the solar atmosphere;
  - Finding a high-energy neutrino point source
  - Better understand the background for dark matter searches



## Secluded Dark Matter

#### ANTARES Secluded Dark Matter

- Dark matter annihilates into meta-stable particle
  - χχ annihilates into mediator φ
    - $\phi \rightarrow vv \text{ or } \mu\mu$
- Livetime of 1321 days (Jan 2007 to Oct 2012)

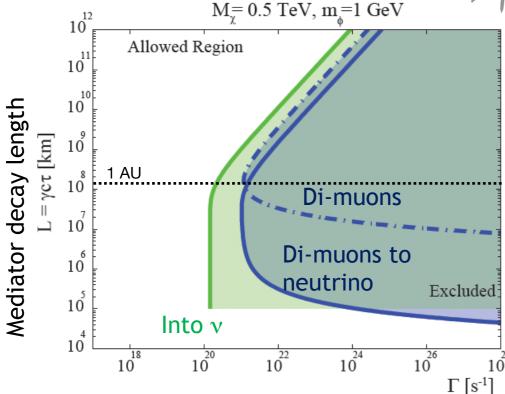


Di-Muon

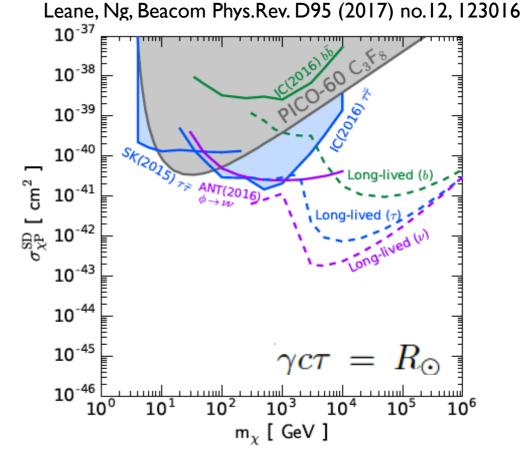
Di-Muon decay into Neutrino



Mediator decay into Neutrino



Annihilation of DM in the Sun x Branching ratio

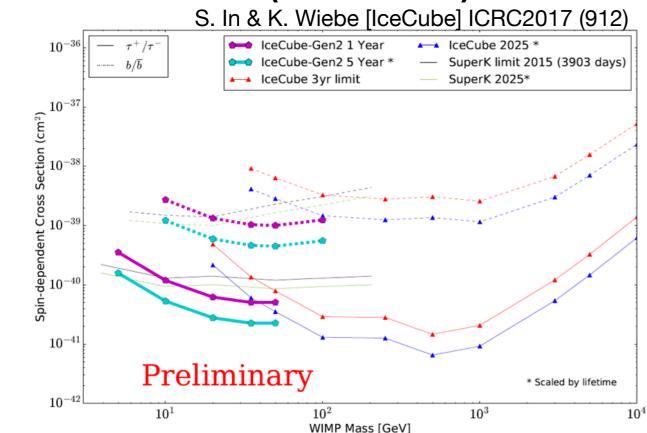


- Contrarily to standard solar WIMP scenarios, secluded dark matter can produce neutrinos > 1TeV
- For most channels, EM signals are expected, cross checks with HAWC, etc. possible

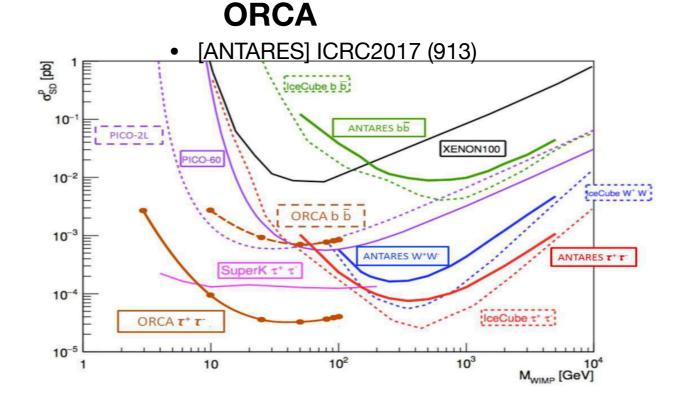
## Outlook

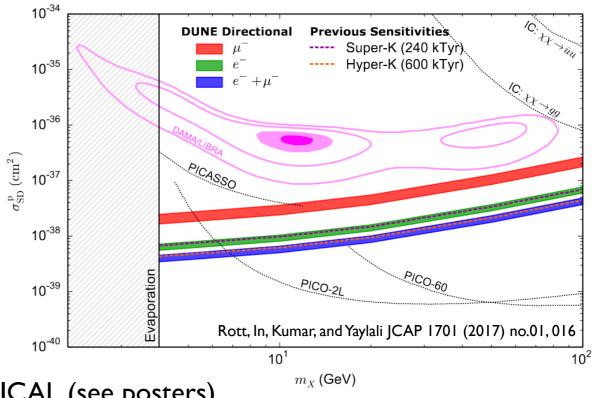
#### Next generation neutrino detectors

#### IceCube-Gen2 (PINGU fill in)



- ORCA and IceCube-Gen2 (PINGU infill) have unique capability to explore DM between 4-50GeV in indirect solar DM searches
  - This will also be an interesting region for Hyper-K / DUNE
- KM3NeT and IceCube-Gen2 extremely competitive for high-mass DM decay
  - BSM physics in the high-energy neutrino flux ?





Also interesting prospects for INO/ICAL (see posters)



## Conclusions

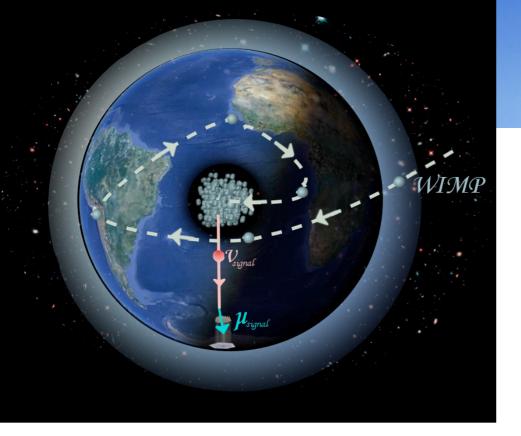
- Striking dark matter signatures might provide high discovery potential for indirect searches
- Models motivated by positron excess and gamma-ray observations can and have been tested with neutrino telescopes
- Lifetimes of heavy decaying dark matter can be constrained to 10<sup>28</sup>s using neutrino signals
- Neutrino Telescopes/Detectors provide world best limits on the Spin-Dependent Dark Matter-Proton scattering cross section
- A new neutrino floor for solar dark matter searches has been calculated
- Efforts underway to expand searches beyond WIMP hypothesis

### Discussion

- Most indirect dark matter searches can utilize offsource regions to determine atmospheric background from the data itself
  - Exceptions are searches for dark matter captured in the Earth
- Solar dark matter searches have significantly improved in sensitivity so that second order effects in atmospheric backgrounds become more important
  - Cosmic ray sun shadow
- Search for energy features example Dark Matter decay - strongly depend on astrophysical and atmospheric neutrino flux assumptions

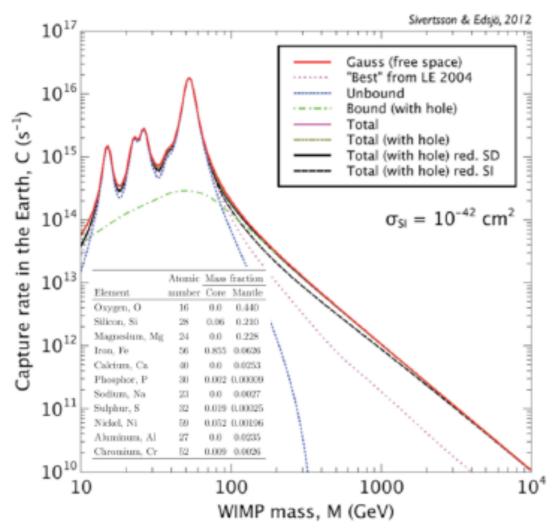


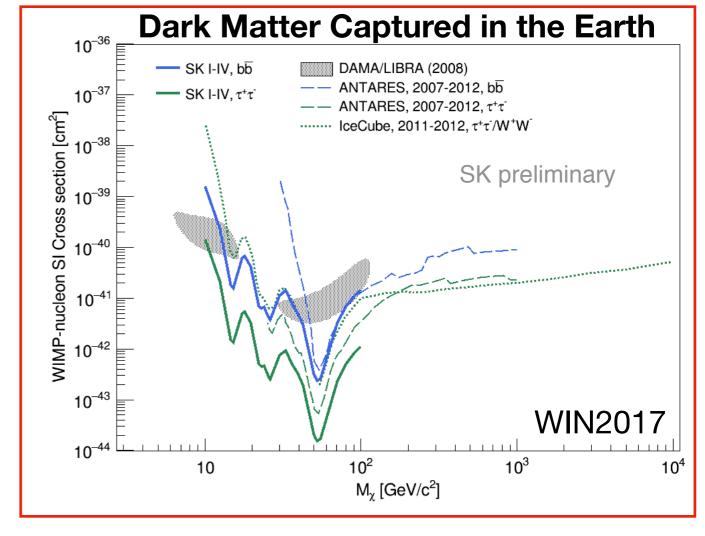
## Thanks!



## Earth WIMPs

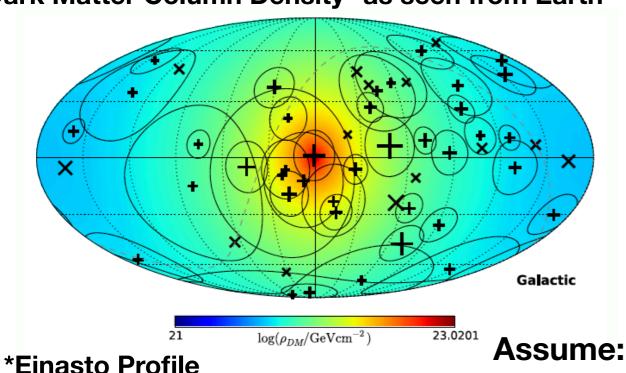
- Dark Matter could be captured in the Earth and produce a vertically up-going excess neutrino flux
- No off-source region





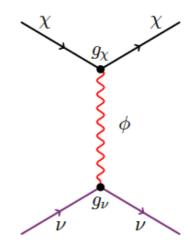
## Imaging Galactic Dark Matter with IceCube's High-Energy Cosmic Neutrinos

#### Dark Matter Column Density\* as seen from Earth

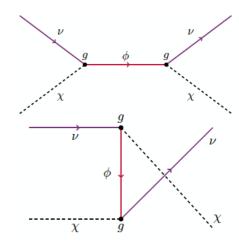


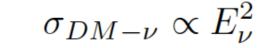
#### **Dark Matter - Neutrino Interaction**

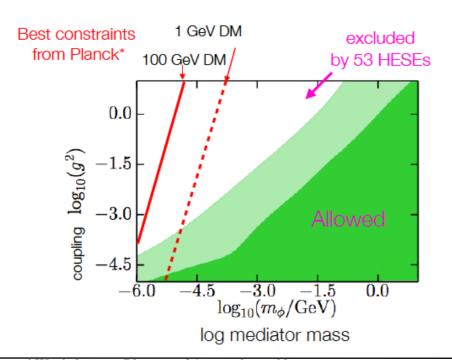
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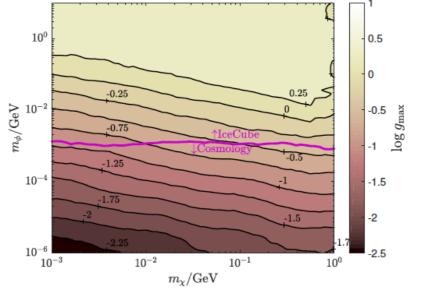


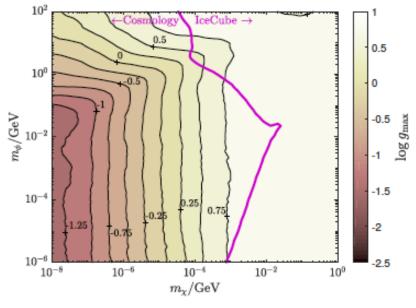
(2) Scale DM, ferminonic mediator



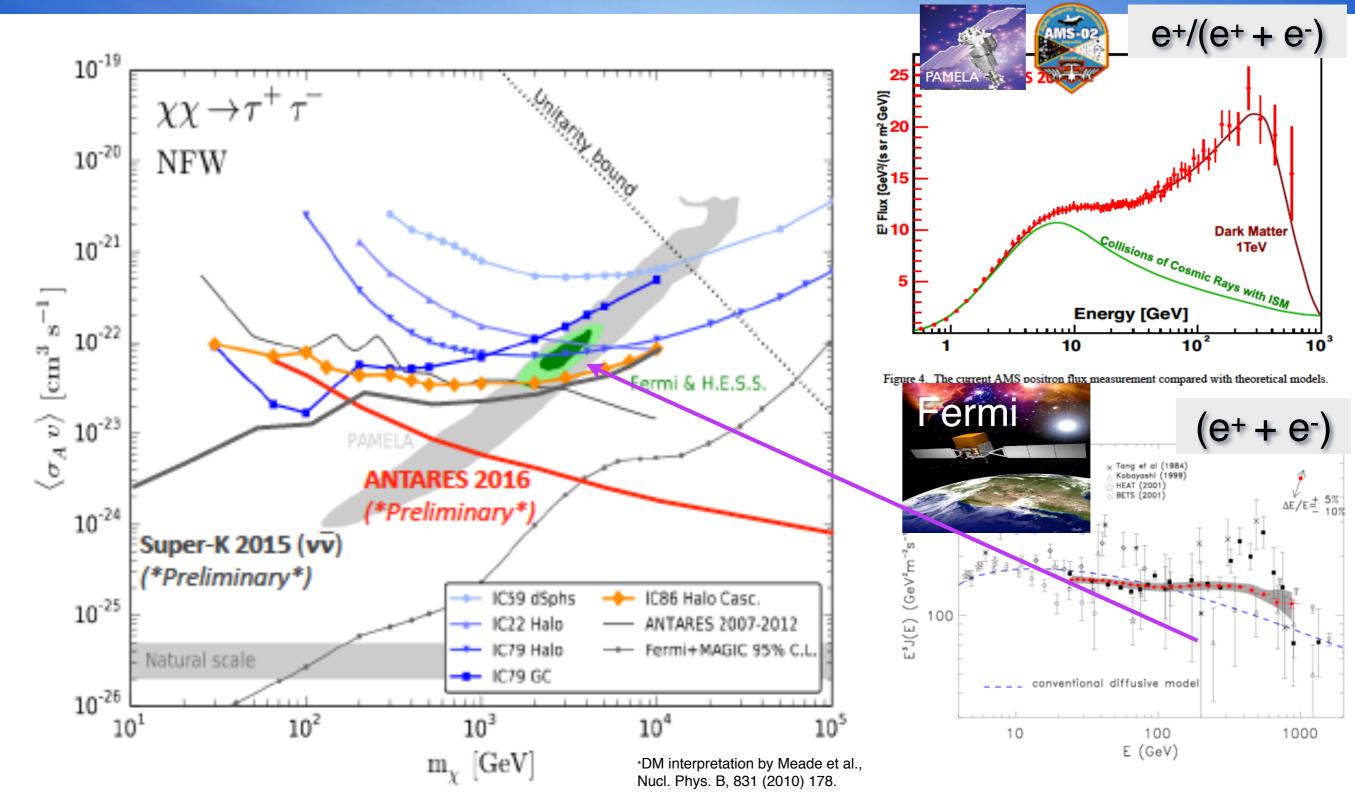








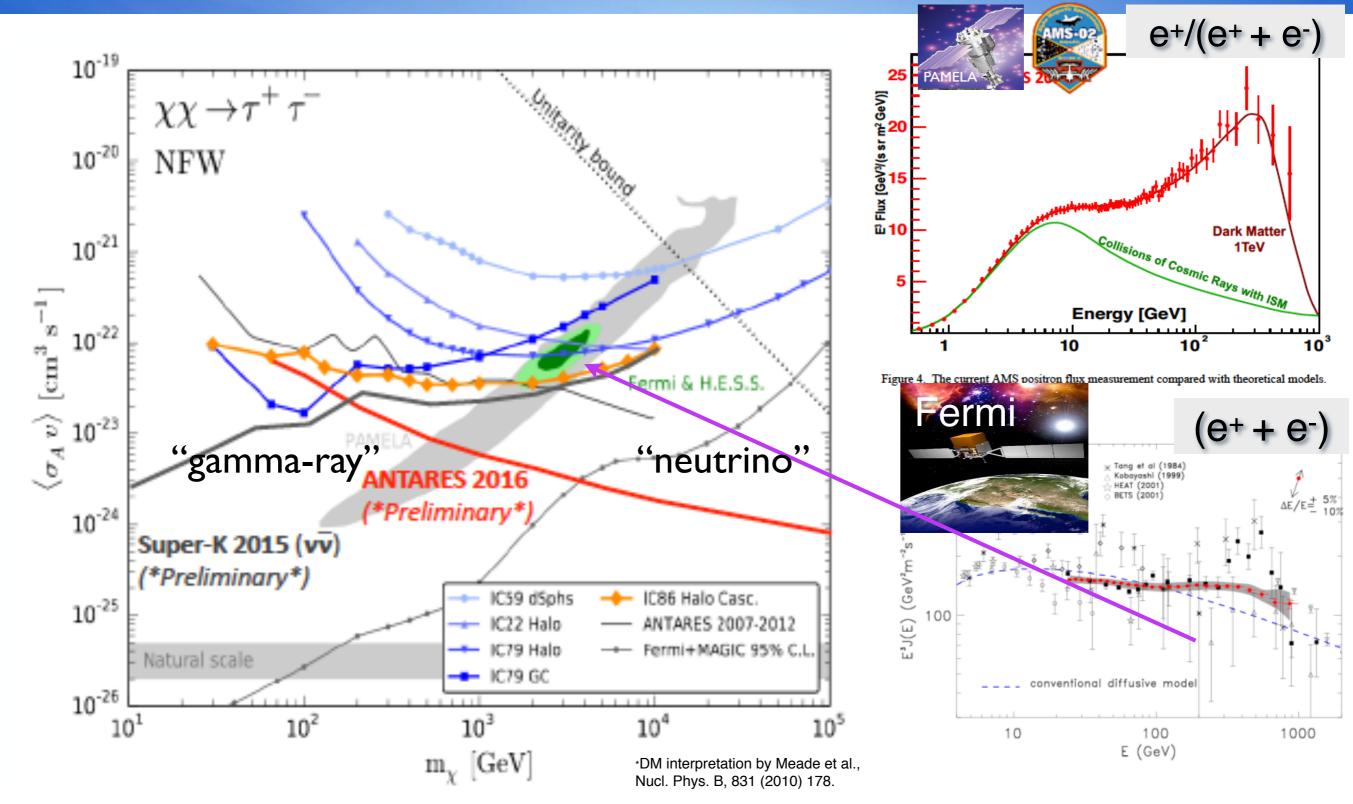
### Neutrinos test lepton anomalies



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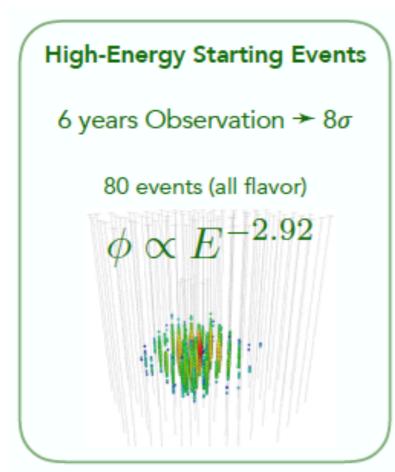
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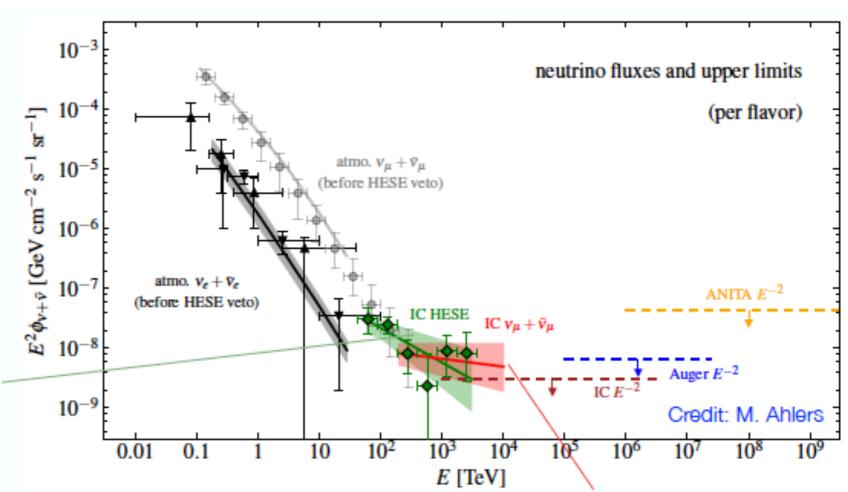


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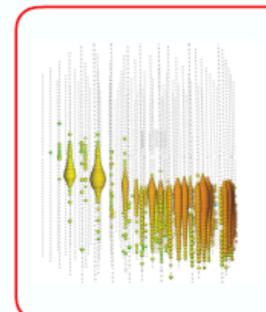


### High-energy astrophysical neutrinos





- Observation confirmed in independent channels.
- Hardening of the spectrum at high energies.
- Low-energy excess hinting at spectral features.
- fluxes are compatible in the common energy range



**Up-going Muon Tracks** 

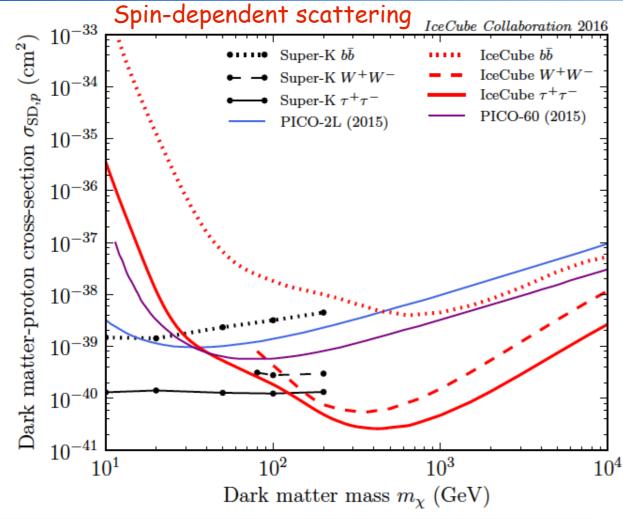
8 years Observation  $\rightarrow$  6.7 $\sigma$ 

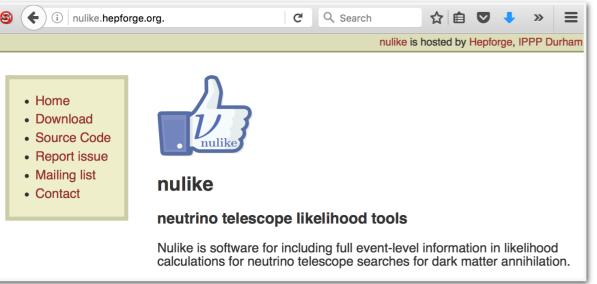
~ 500 astrophysical neutrinos

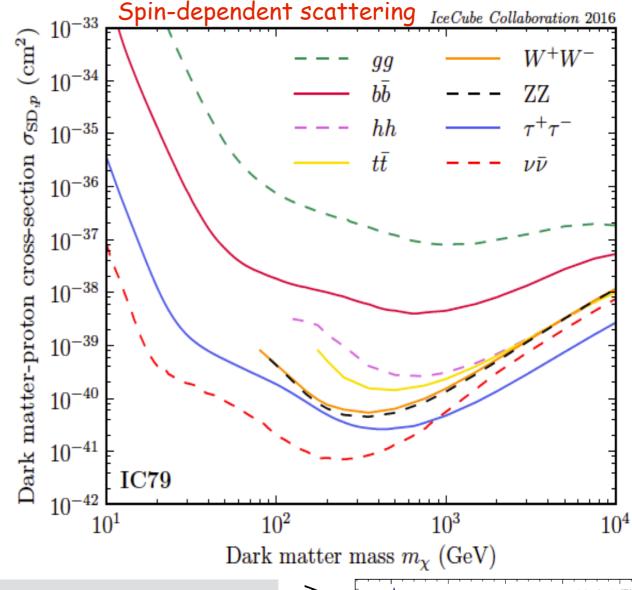
$$\phi \propto E^{-2.19}$$

## Availability of IceCube data

JCAP 04 (2016) 022 / http://arxiv.org/pdf/1601.00653.pdf

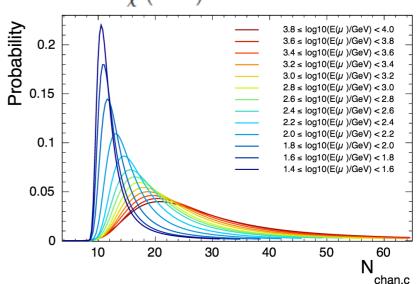






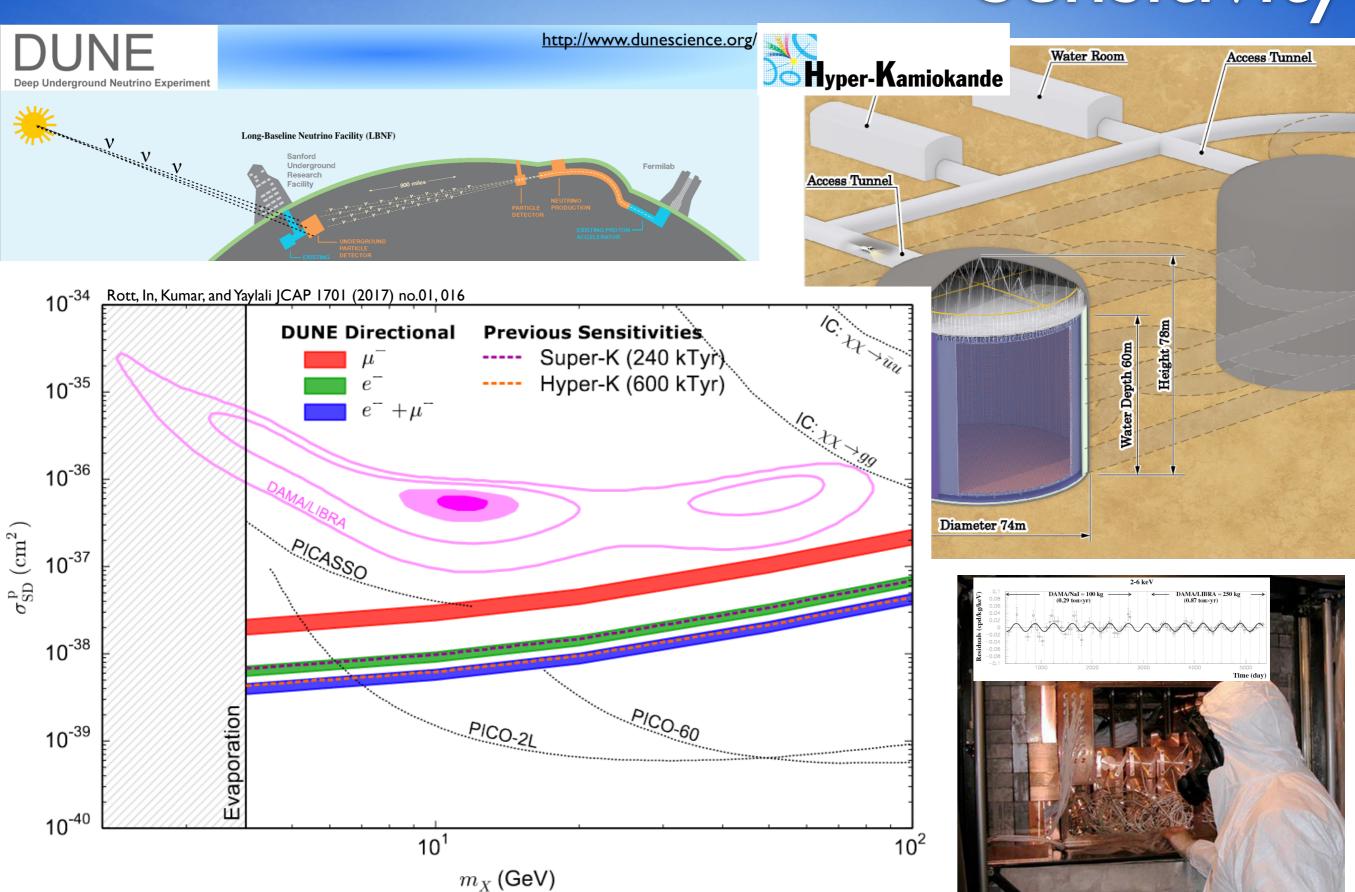
software to test your own model (cross section/ branching ratios)

- IceCube data released
- Likelihood includes:
  - energy and directional information





## Sensitivity



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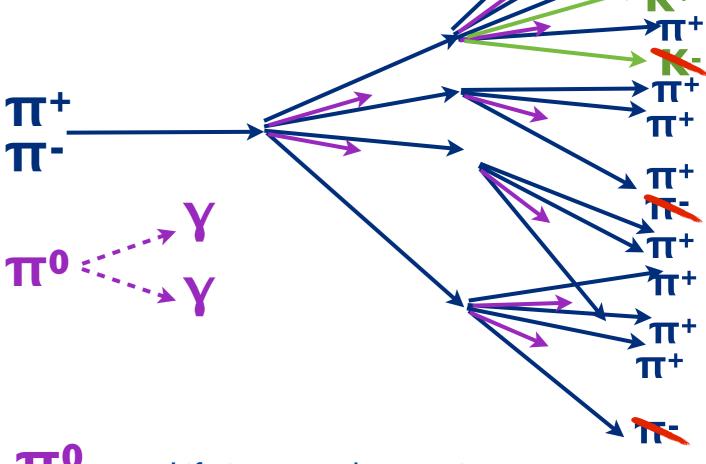
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Lifetime too short to interact

π-

- Interaction length short compared to losses
- Produces secondary particles in collision with protons
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Charged pions and kaons decay at rest producing mono-energetic neutrinos

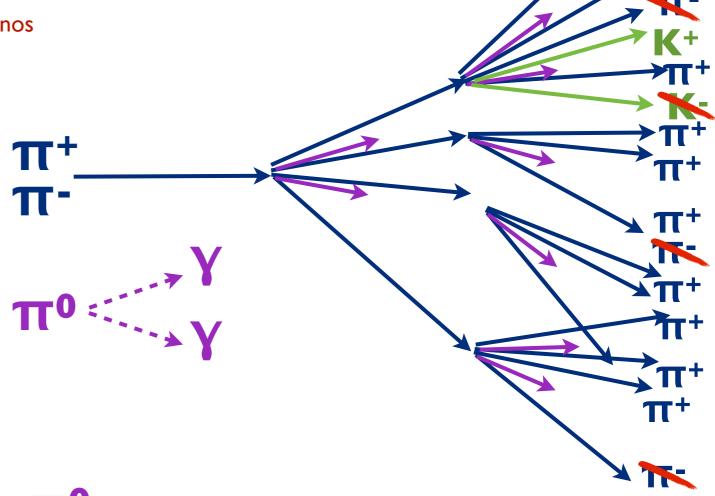
$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_{\mu}$$
 E<sub>v</sub>= 29.8MeV K<sup>+</sup>  $\rightarrow$  V<sub>u</sub>  $\mu^+$  E<sub>v</sub>=235.5MeV

$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

C. Rott, J. Siegal-Gaskins, J.F.Beacom Physical Review D 88, 055005 (2013) (arXiv1208.0827)

Bernal, Martín-Albo, Palomares-Ruiz JCAP 1308 (2013) 011

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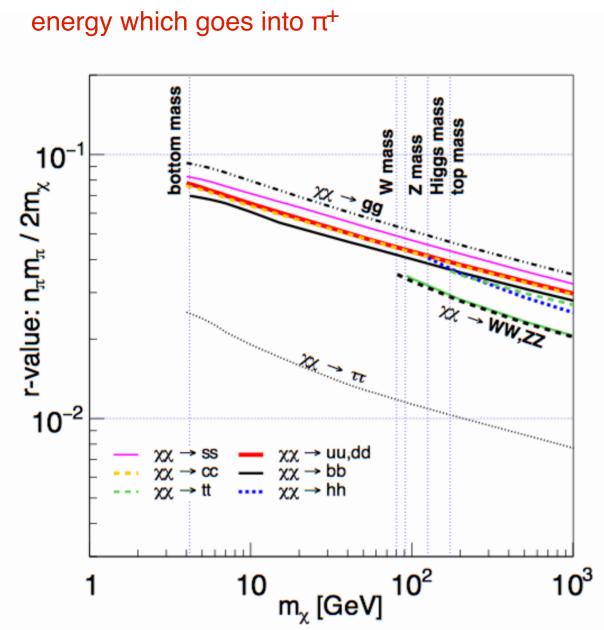
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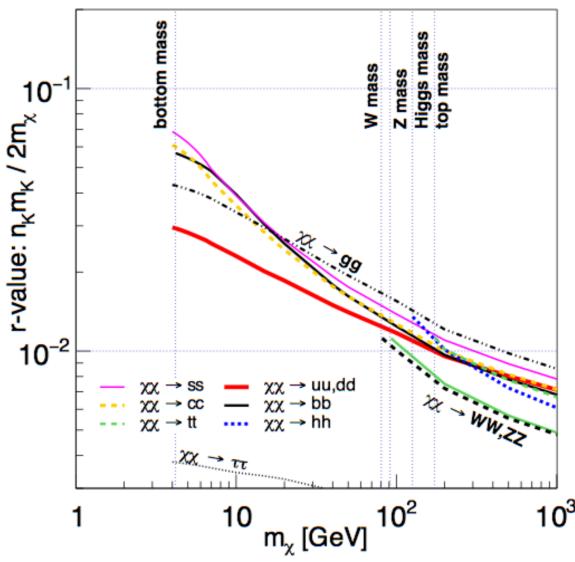


## Pion and Kaon yields

π+ r-value - fraction of center-of-mass



K+ r-value - fraction of center-of-mass energy which goes into K+



For low dark matter masses difference between flux from stopped pion and kaon decay at rest can be used to disentangle annihilation final states

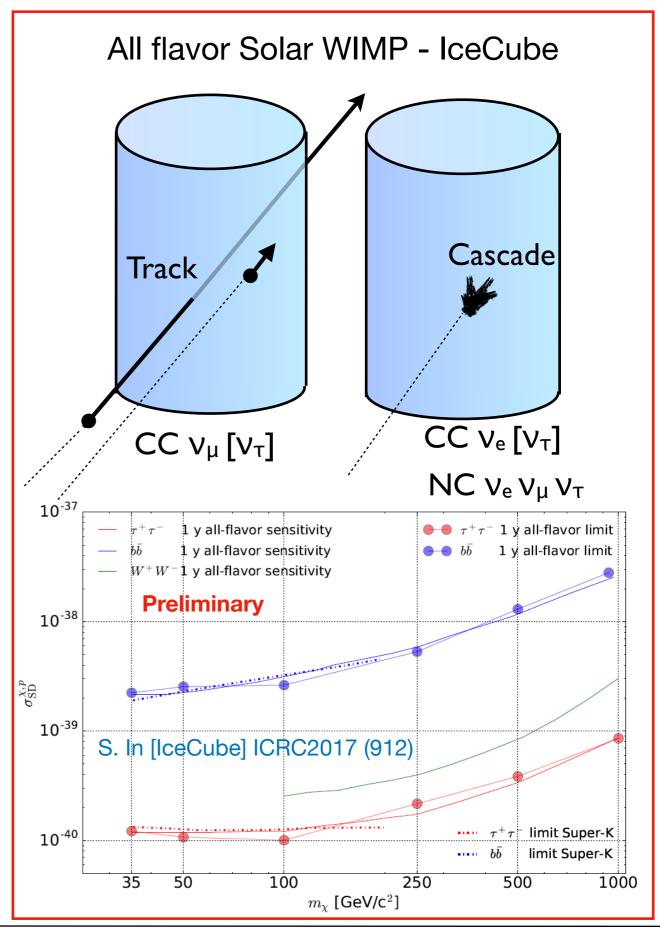
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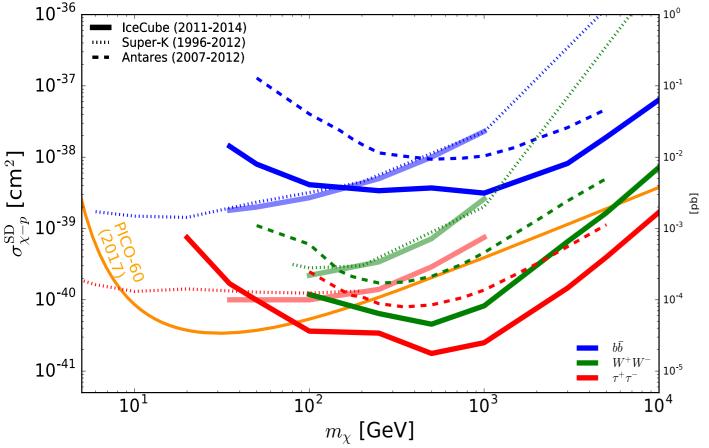




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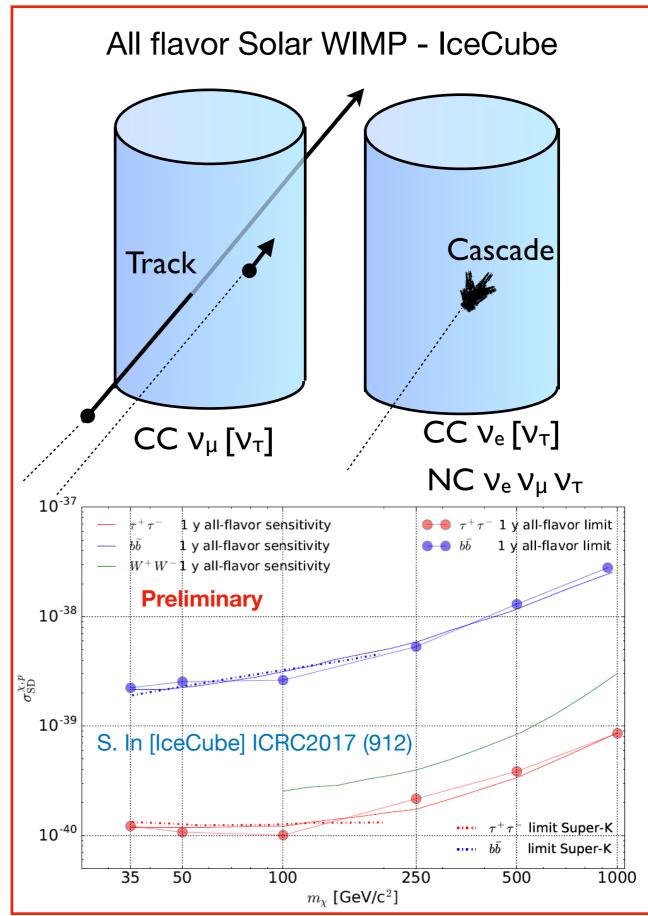
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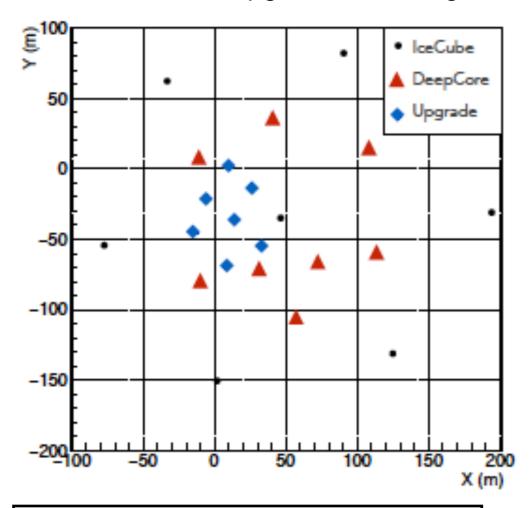
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## The IceCube Upgrade

#### "The IceCube Upgrade" ~7strings



First step to restart South Pole activities

- Tau neutrino appearance
- Calibration devices
- Platform to test new technologies

see also:

- PINGU LOI arXiv:1412.5106

