

# Elusive WIMPs

## Latest Results from the Cryogenic

## Dark Matter Search

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# The Nature of Dark Matter

## The Missing Mass Problem:

Dynamics of stars, galaxies, and clusters  
*rotation curves, gas density, gravitational lensing*

Large Scale Structure formation

## Wealth of evidence for a particle solution

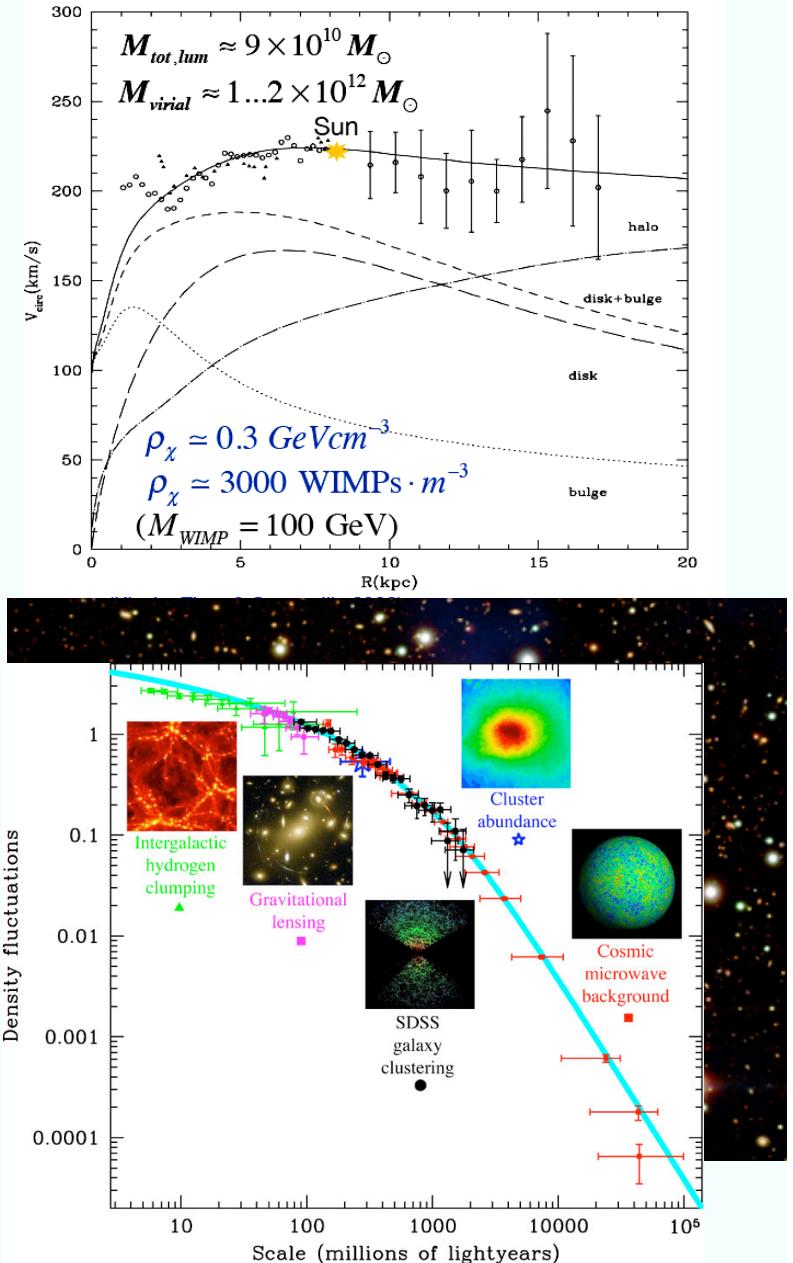
No good MOND, Bullet Cluster,  
Microlensing (MACHOs) limit < 1 AU

## Non-baryonic

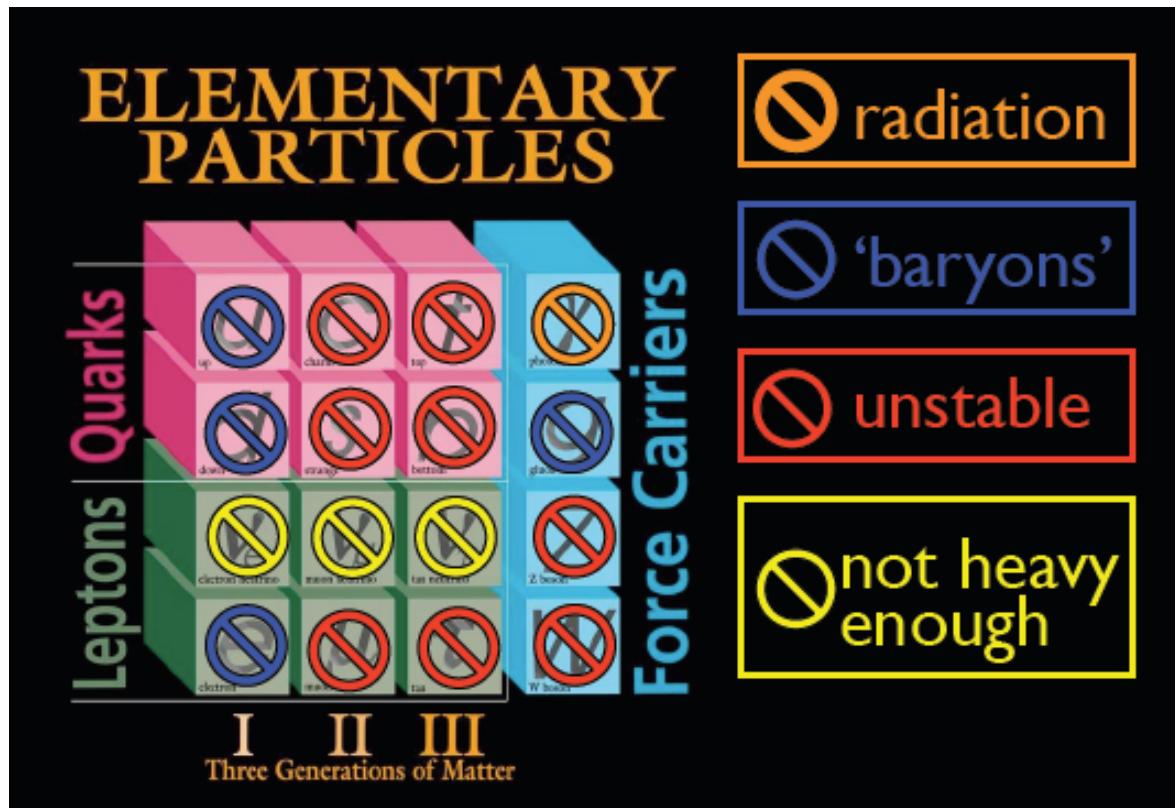
Height of acoustic peaks in the CMB ( $\Omega_b$ )  
Power spectrum of density fluctuations ( $\Omega_m$ )  
Primordial Nucleosynthesis

## And STILL HERE!

Stable, neutral, non-relativistic  
Interacts via gravity and/or weak force



# The Nature of Dark Matter



Thus, we have eliminated all known particles!

We have to turn to Theoretical Models to give us a hint of its properties and to suggest strategies for finding it

(Gondolo, DM Crossroads, Desy 2008)

# Dark Matter Candidates

## **What particles can we imagine?**

WIMPs, axions, Wimpzillas, sterile ν's, gravitinos, KK, and much more!

## **What particles do we like?**

**SUSY relics:** Solves gauge hierarchy problem: Why is  $M_{\text{Pl}} \gg M_{\text{EW}}$ ?

**KK modes:** Solve via extra, compact dimensions (unifies gravity with S,EW)

**Axions:** Restores CP-symmetry in QCD via new (broken) chiral symmetry,

## **What particles can explain astrophysical mysteries?**

511 keV line

positron excess

WMAP haze

## **What particles can do all that and ALSO**

Match relic densities (thermal equil. w/ early Universe → calculable)

## **Don't violate astrophysical observables**

e.g. diffuse γ-ray bkgd , etc.

# Dark Matter Candidates in Thermal Equilibrium with the Early Universe

Annihilation stops when number density drops to the point that

$$H > \Gamma_A \sim n_\chi \langle \sigma_A v \rangle$$

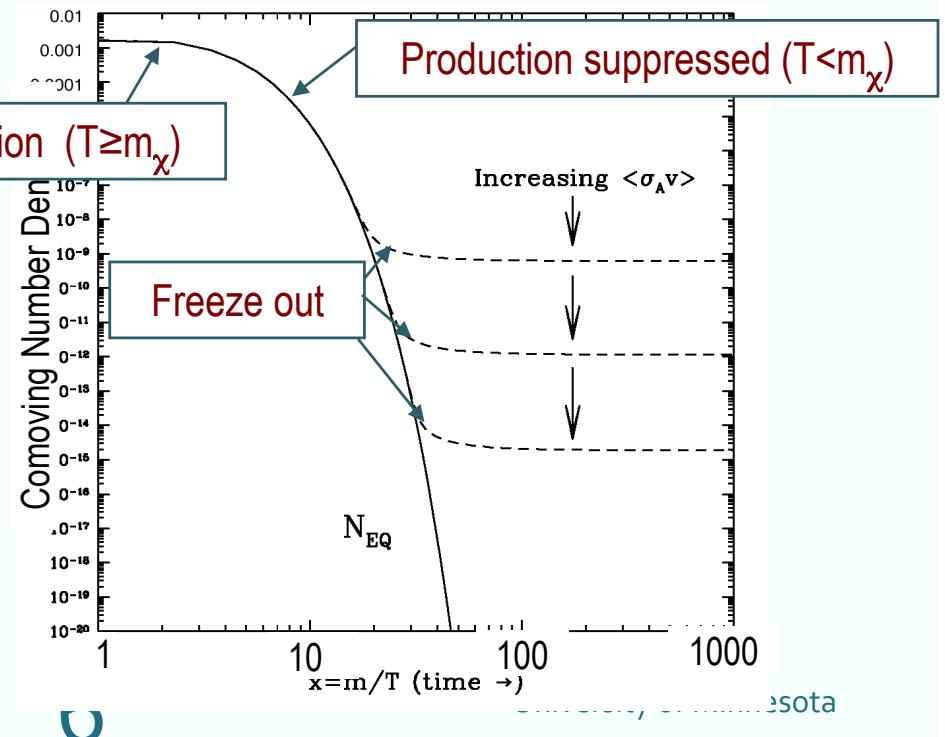
**Freeze-out:** annihilation too slow to keep up with Hubble expansion

Leaves a relic abundance:  $\Omega_\chi h^2 \approx \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}}{\langle \sigma_A v \rangle_{\text{fr}}}$

$$\Omega_\chi h^2 = \Omega_{\text{cdm}} h^2 \simeq 0.1143$$

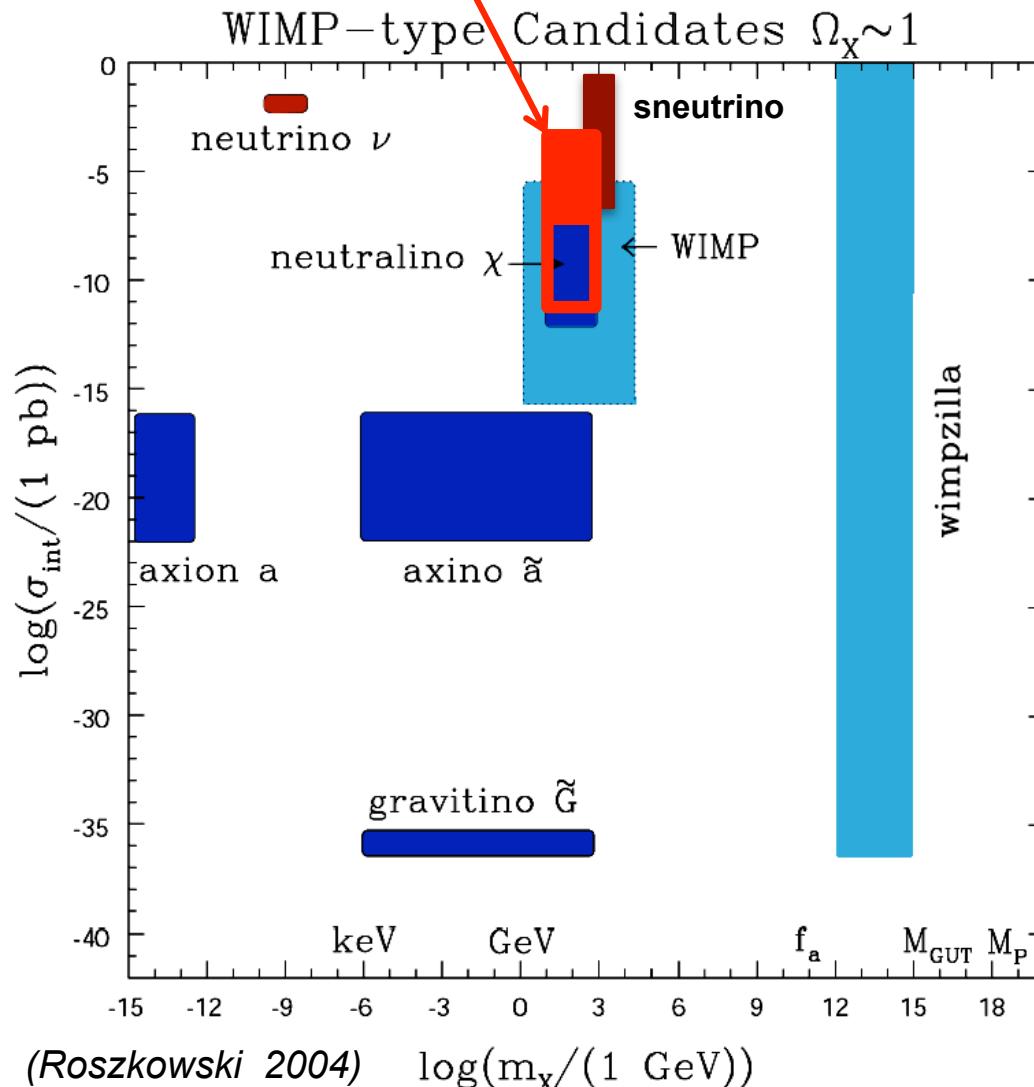
for  $\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{ann}} \simeq 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$

which coincidentally (?) matches the weak scale



Region we  
have already  
excluded

# Dark Matter Candidates: $\mathcal{HUGE} \Sigma - m$ space



LSP = Lightest Supersymmetric Particle

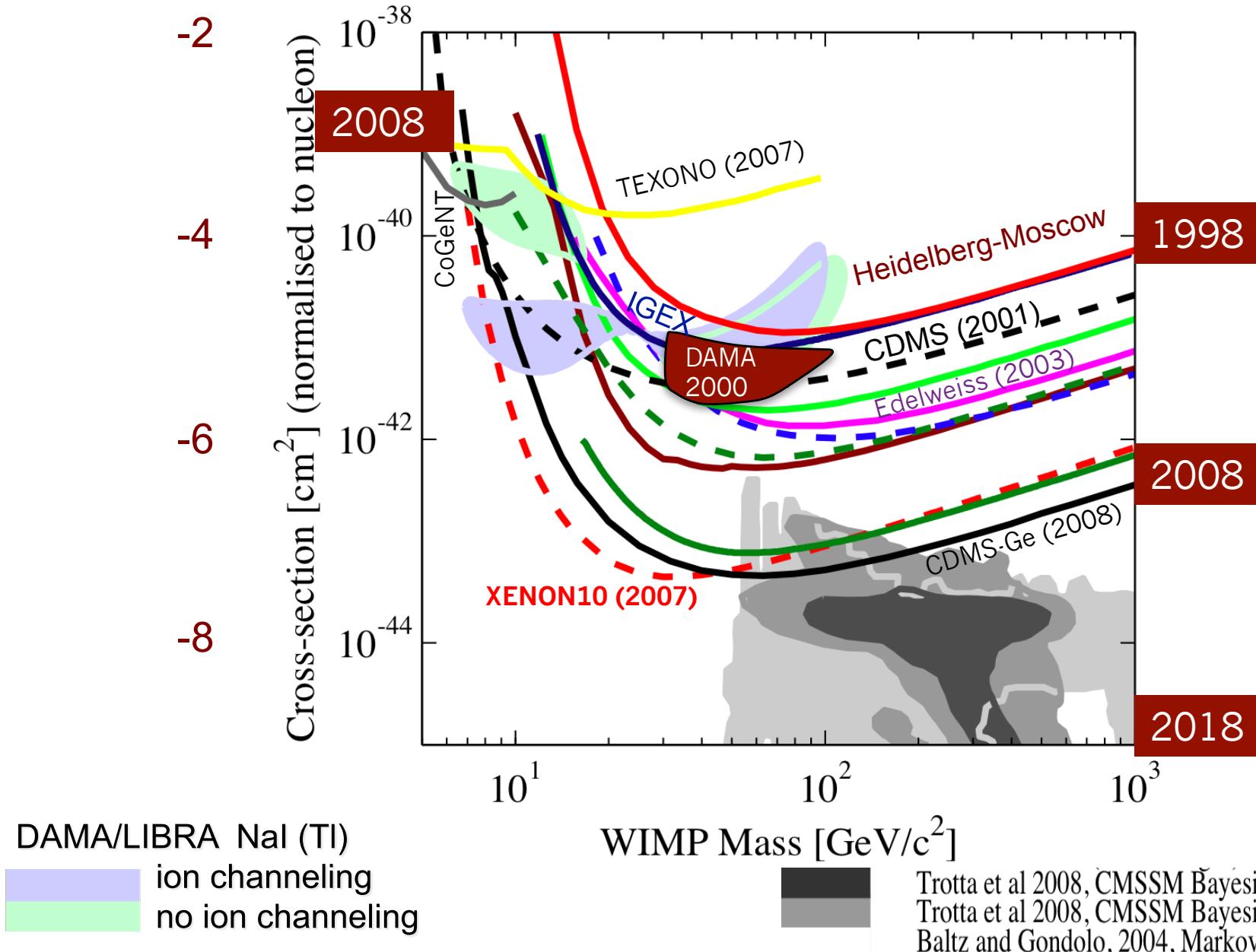
**neutralino:**

$m_\chi > 70 \text{ GeV}$  from LEP  
 $> \text{few GeV}$  from  $\Omega_\chi h^2 < 1$   
 $< 300 \text{ TeV}$  from unitarity  
 tens – 100’s GeV fine tuning arguments

*weak interaction scale, suppressed by mixing angles in the neutralino couplings*

log pb

# The Detailed Landscape

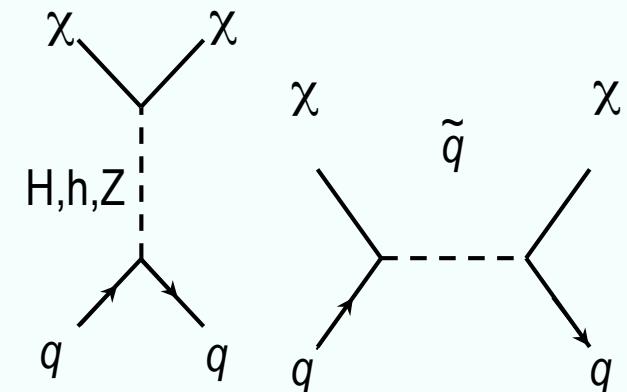


# Direct Detection of WIMPs

## 1. Particle Physics: Interaction cross section with target material

*WIMPs elastically scatter off nuclei in targets, producing nuclear recoils.*

$$R \propto N \frac{\sigma_{\chi N}}{m_\chi} \rho_\chi \int_{v_{\min}}^{v_{\text{esc}}} \frac{f(v)dv}{v}$$



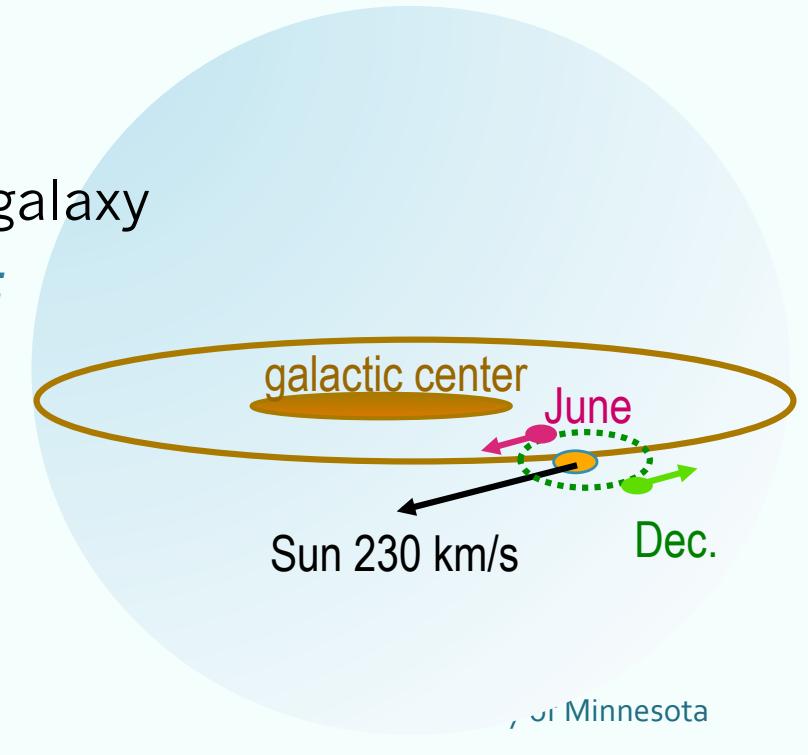
## 2. Astrophysics: WIMP distribution in our galaxy

*Isothermal, spherical halo and M-B velocity dist:*

$$f(v)dv = \frac{4v^2}{v_0^3 \sqrt{\pi}} e^{-v^2/v_0^2} dv$$

$$v_0 \sim 230 \text{ km/s} \quad v_{\text{esc}} = 650 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\rho_\chi = 0.3 \text{ GeV / cm}^3$$



# Direct Detection of WIMPs

## 3. Target Material (N):

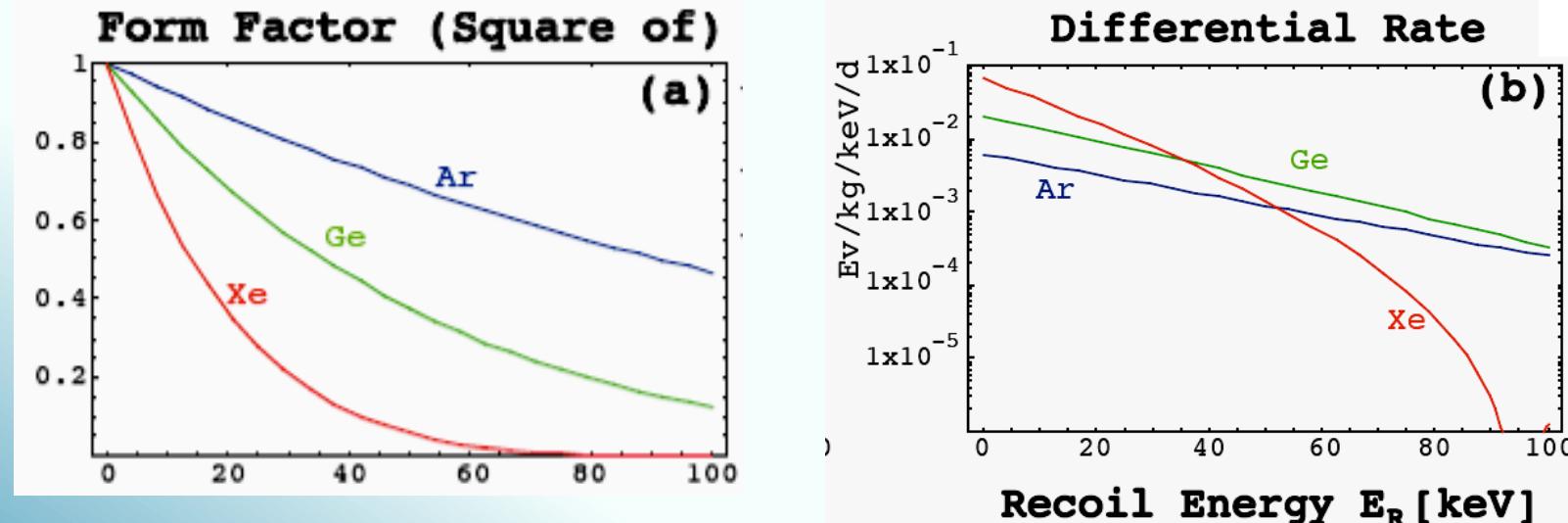
$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{\sigma_0 \rho_0}{2m_\chi \mu^2} F^2(E_R) \int_{v_{\min}}^{v_{\max}} \frac{f(v)}{v} dv$$

- WIMP-nuclear Reduced Mass (max for  $m_\chi \sim m_N$ ,  $A^2$  enhancement)

- Nuclear Form Factor

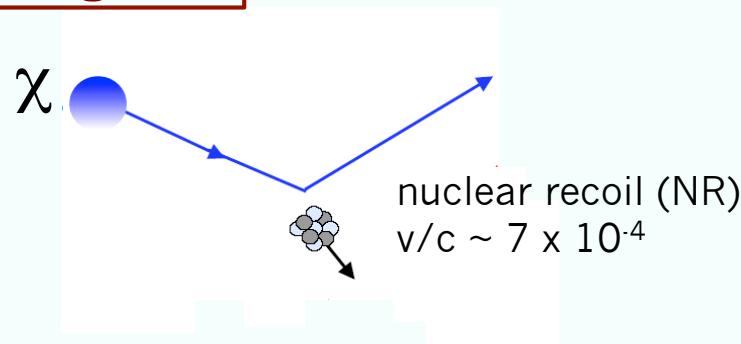
$$F^2(E_R) = \left[ \frac{3j_1(qR_l)}{qR_l} \right]^2 e^{-(qs)^2}$$

Ar: A = 40  
Ge: A = 73  
Xe: A = 131

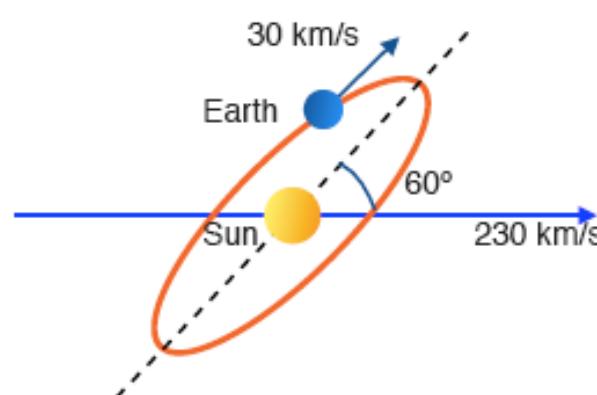


# Choose your Technique

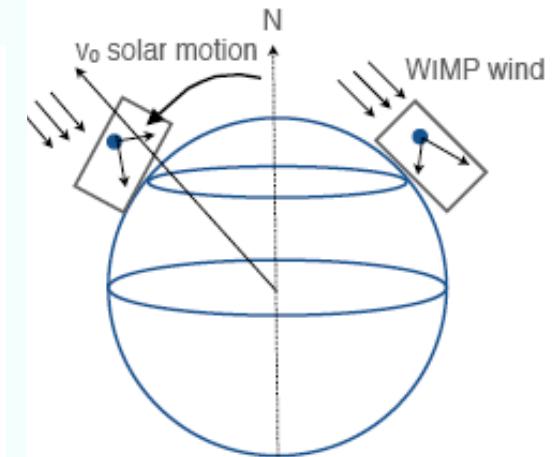
## Signal



Count nuclear recoils

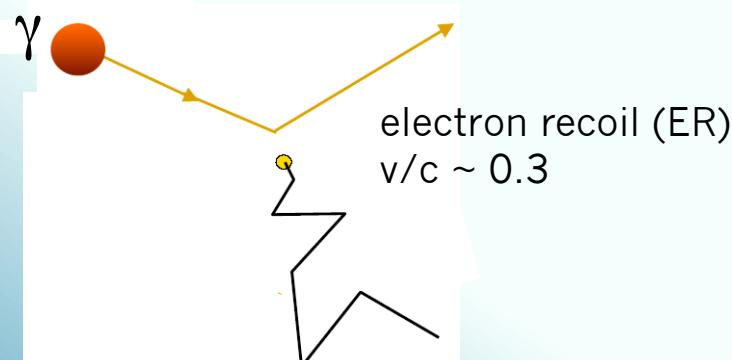


annual flux variation



diurnal directional  
modulation

## Background



$\beta, \gamma$   
-or-  
-or-

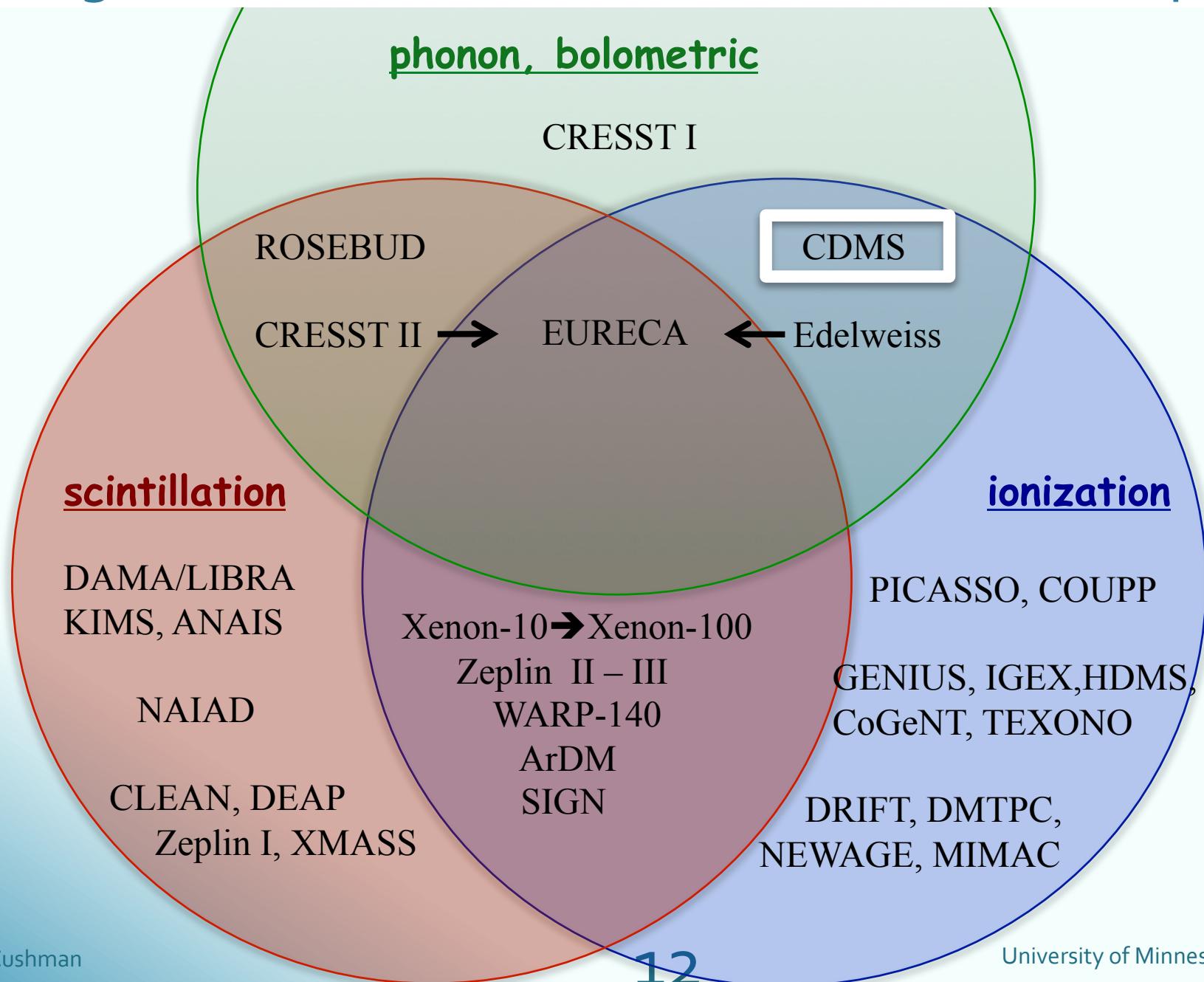
discriminate ER vs NR  
eliminate sensitivity to ER  
self-shielding

$n$   
multiple scatters  
 $\sigma$  varies with target

} go deep  
shielding

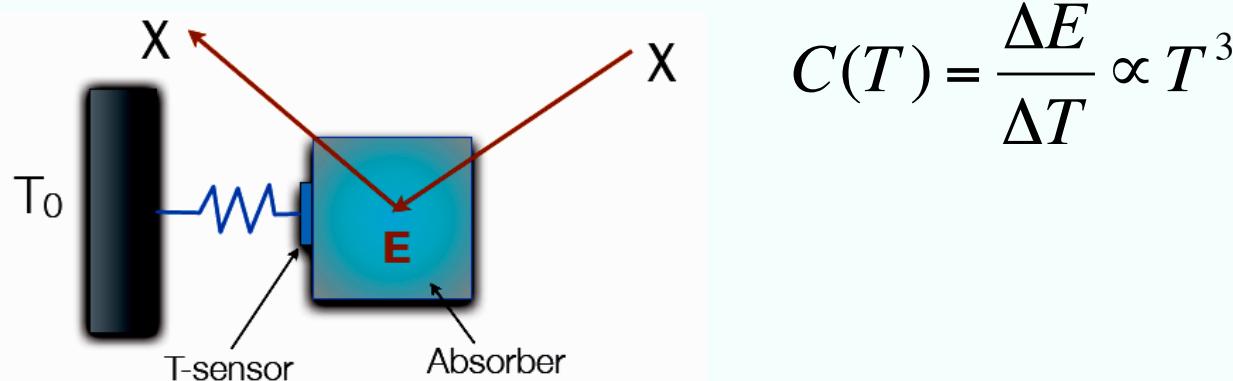
$\alpha$   
much higher energy deposit.  
problem for threshold devices, trackers

# Counting Nuclear Recoils: Discrimination Techniques



# Cryogenic Techniques at mK Temperatures

Need sensitivity (big  $\Delta T$ ) for small  $\Delta E$ , so run at  $T \ll T_c$

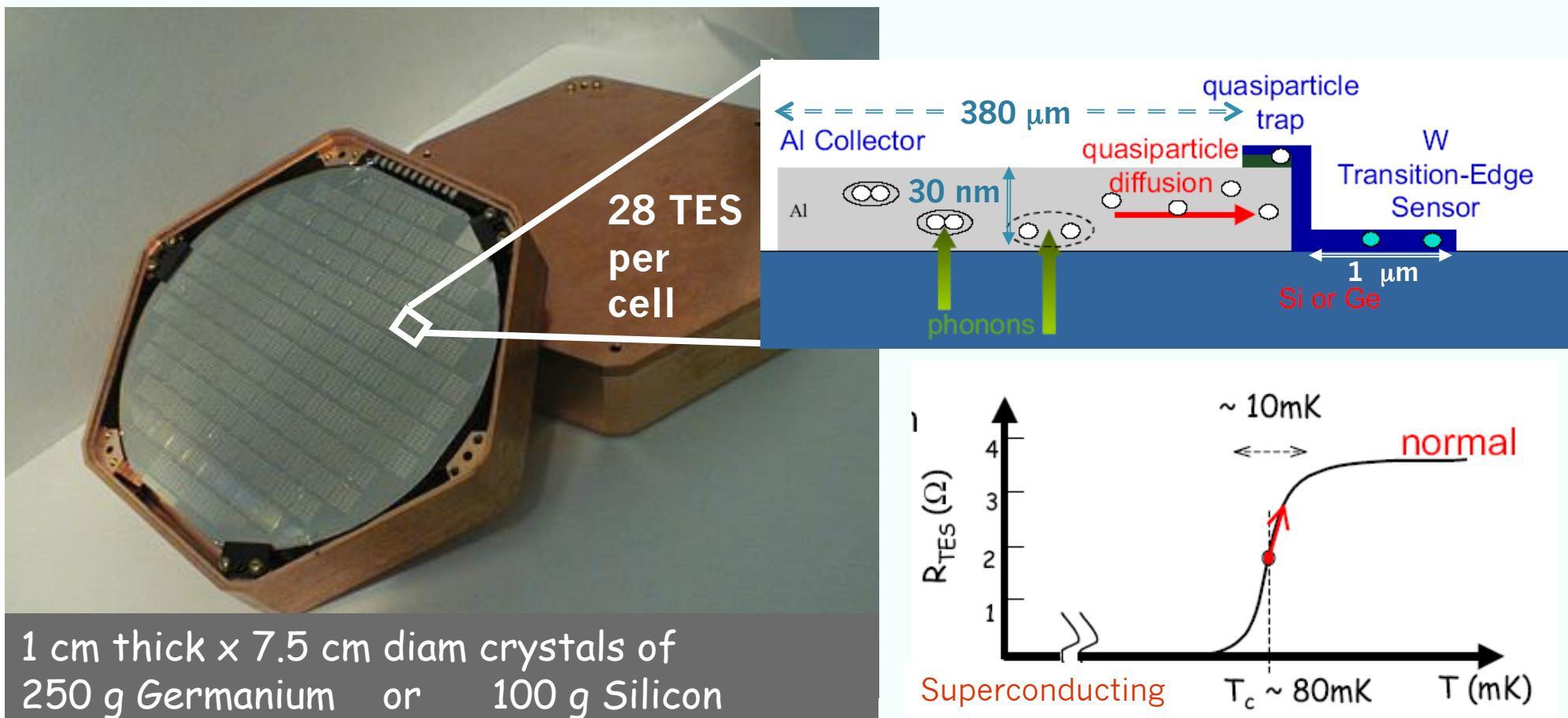


**Phonon Signal:** Superconducting Transition Edge Sensors  
Tungsten TES, Al collection fins or film, SQUID readout  
CRESST, CDMS

**Bolometric:** Superconductor Thermistors  
Neutron Transmutation Doped-Ge  
ROSEBUD, EDELWEISS

# CDMS Detectors (phonon readout)

photolithographic patterning produces 4144 "thermometers"  
*(quasi-particle-assisted electrothermal-feedback transition-edge sensors)*

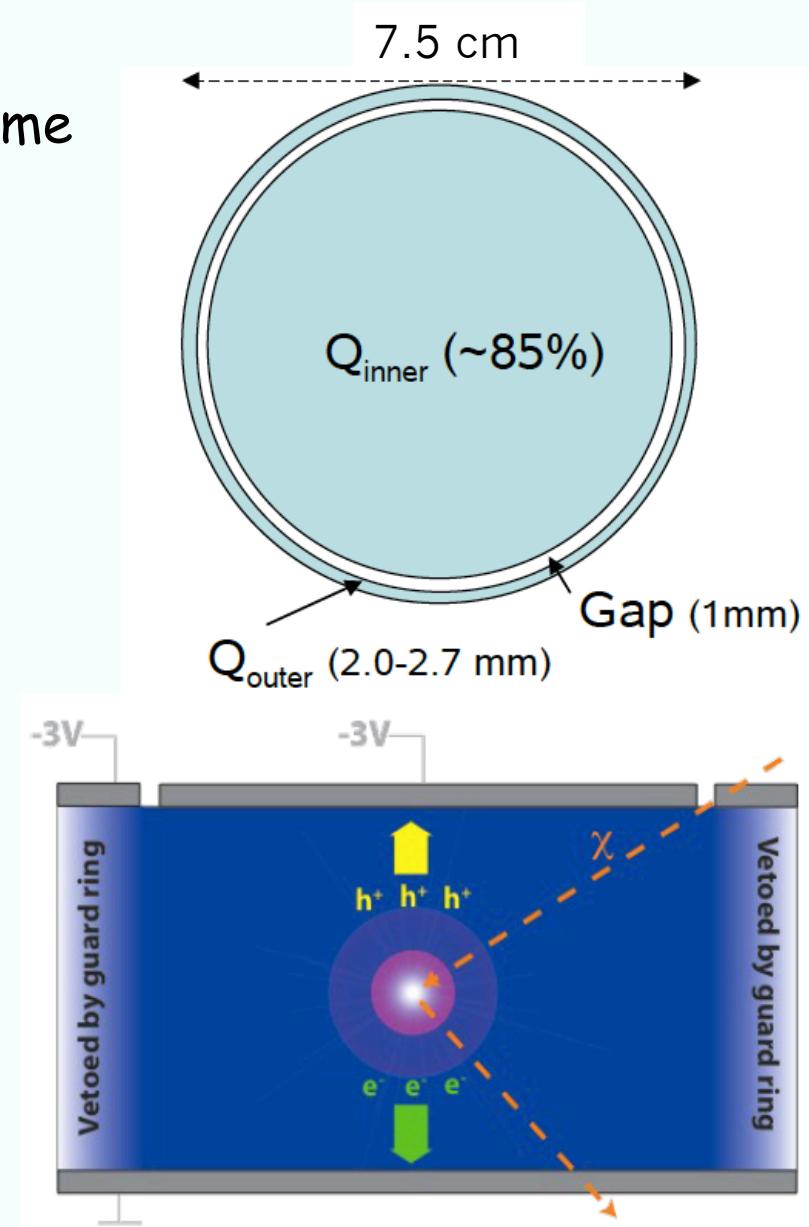
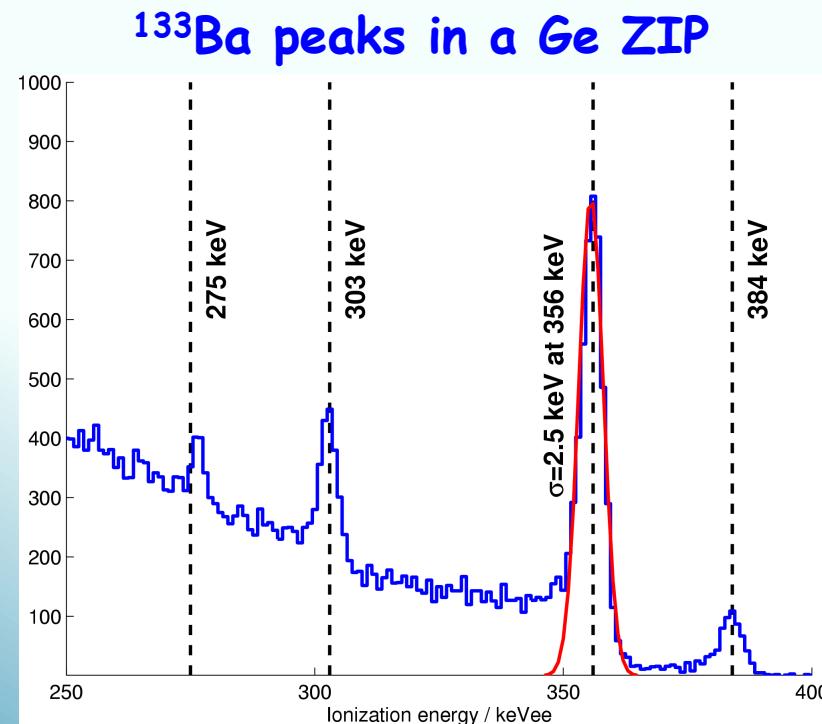


# CDMS Detectors (ionization readout)

Concentric electrodes define a fiducial volume

Charge traps neutralized by  
LED flashing on a regular basis

Good Energy Resolution

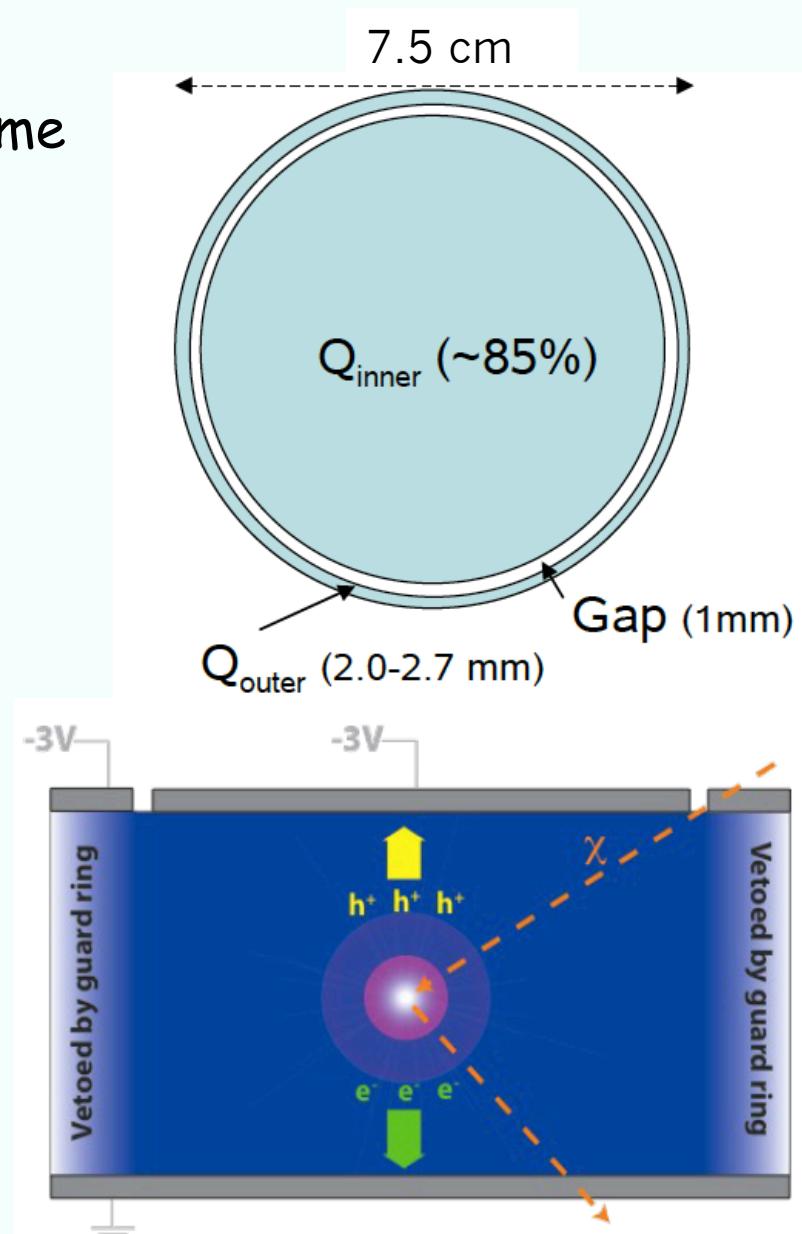
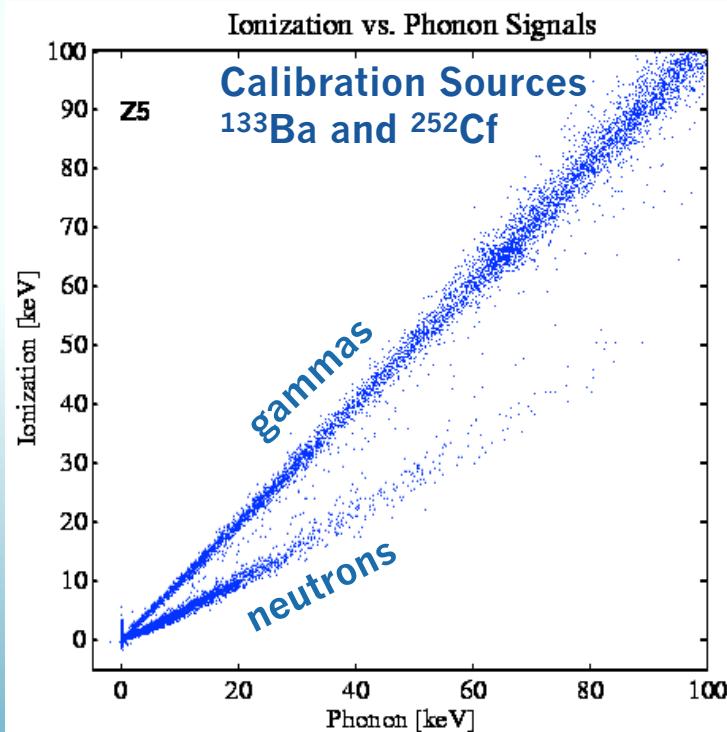


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Combine with Phonon Signal to get  
Discrimination between ER and NR

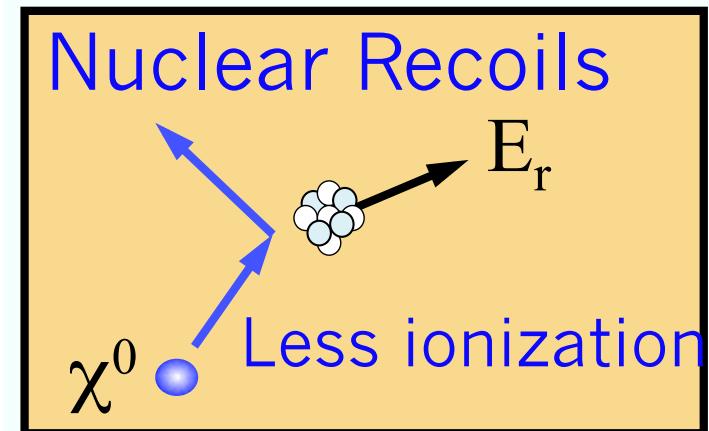
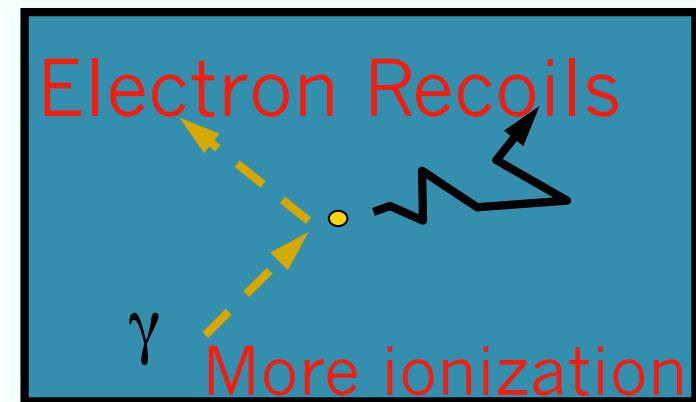
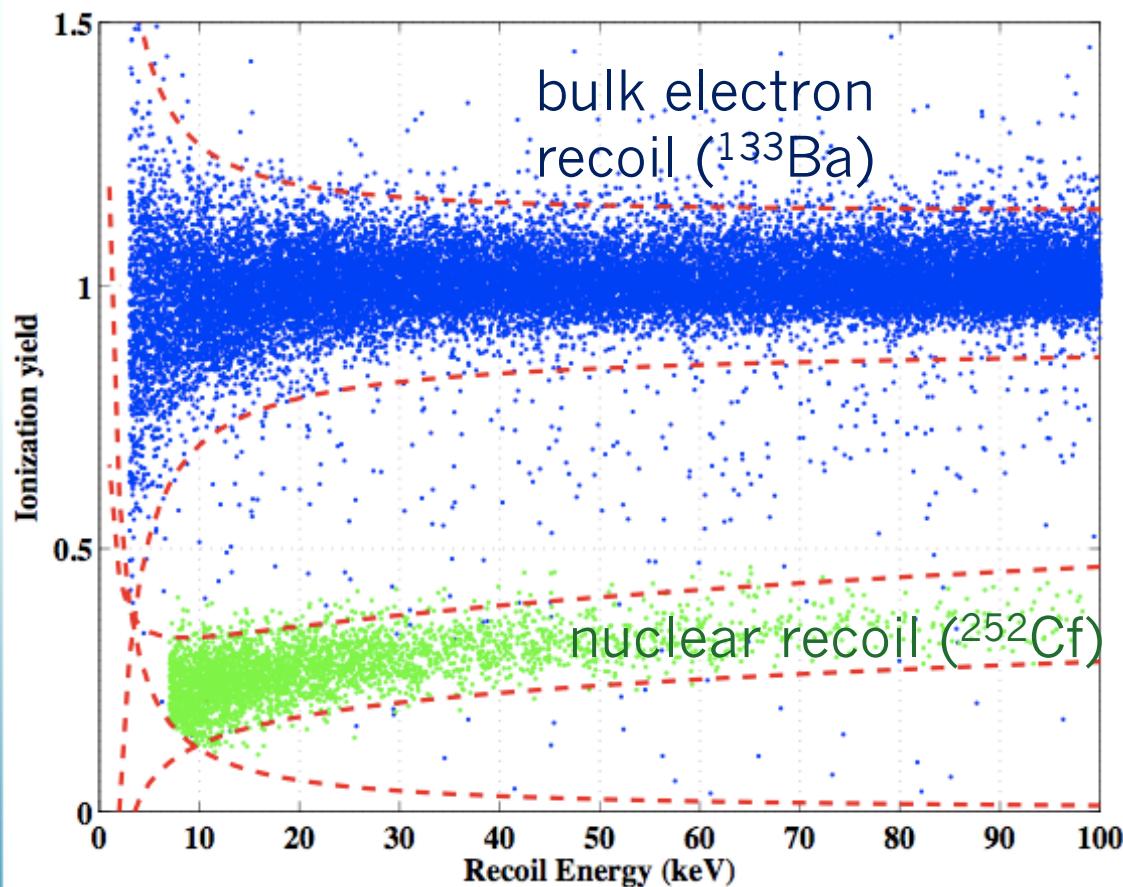


# Bulk Gamma Rejection



$$= \frac{\text{ionization energy}}{\text{phonon energy}}$$

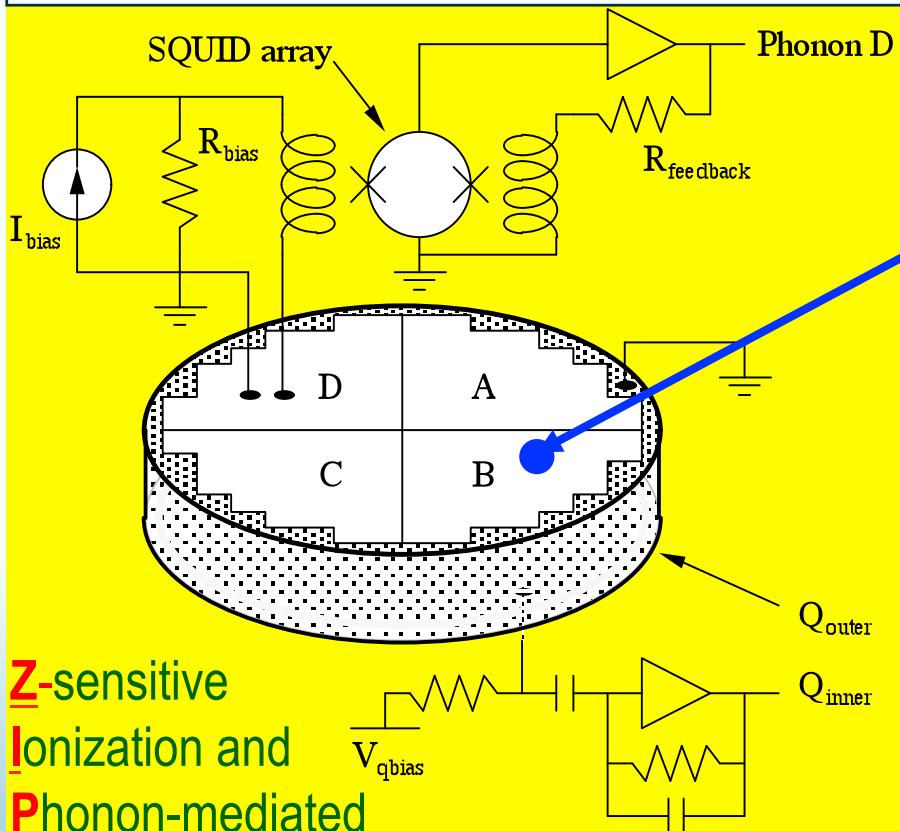
Primary electron recoil  
rejection >10,000:1



# SIGNAL Pulses

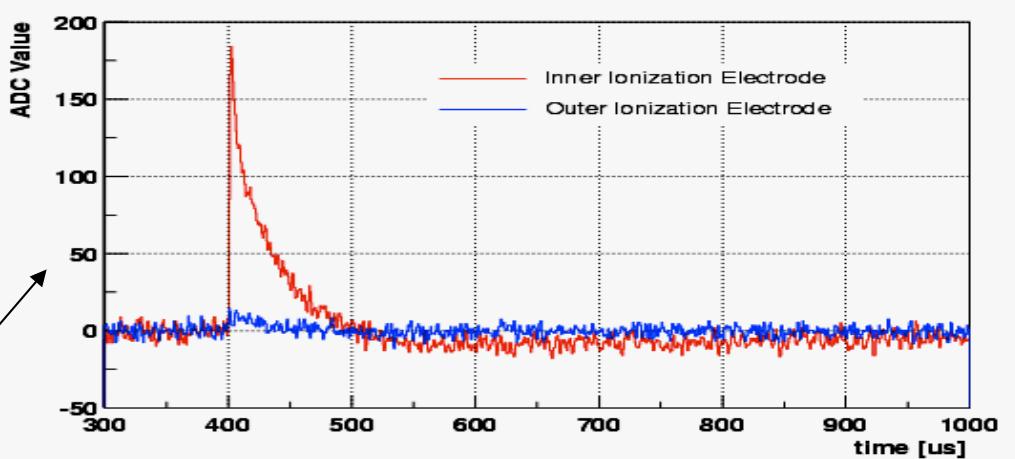
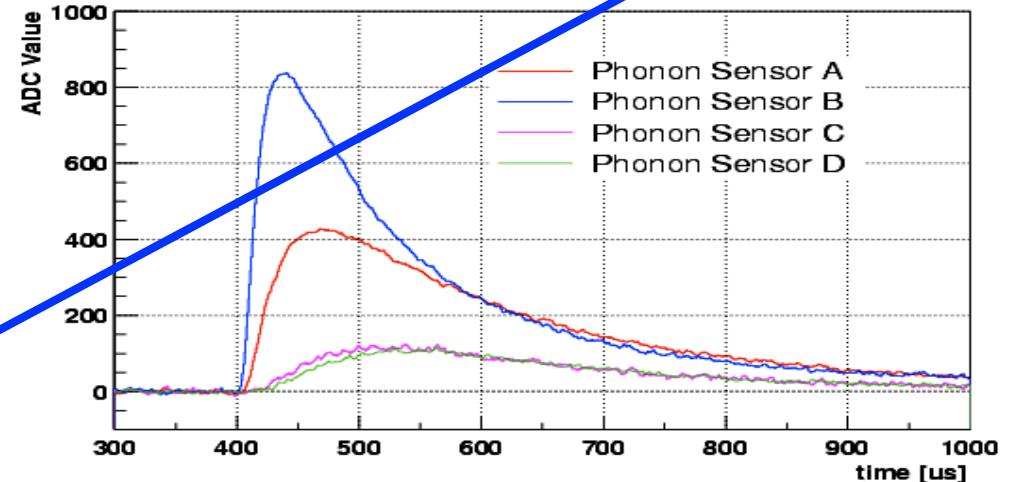
## TOP SURFACE

Measure phonon signal with 4 quadrants of Transition Edge Sensors



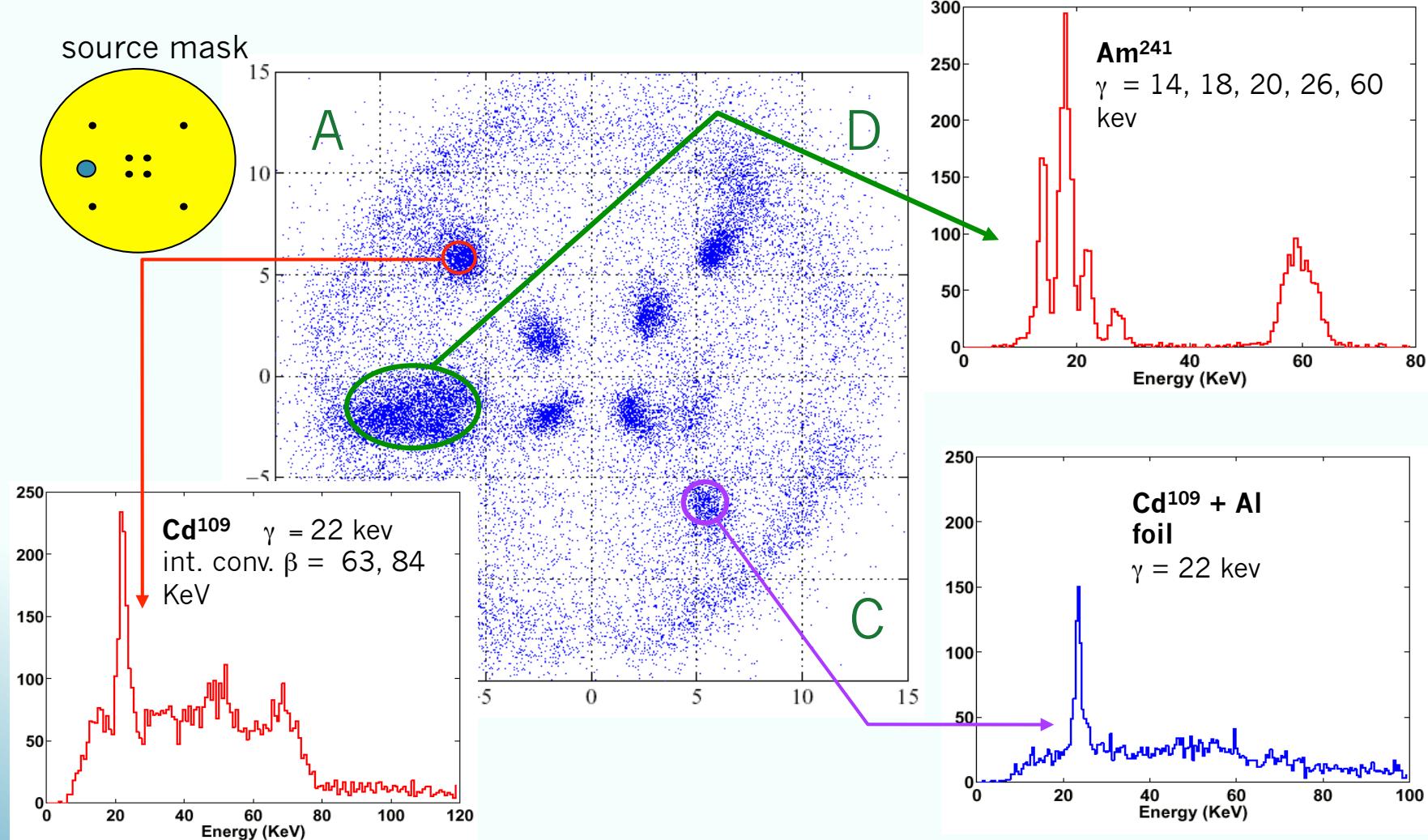
## BOTTOM SURFACE

Measure ionization with Q-inner and Q-outer to allow rejection of events near outer edge



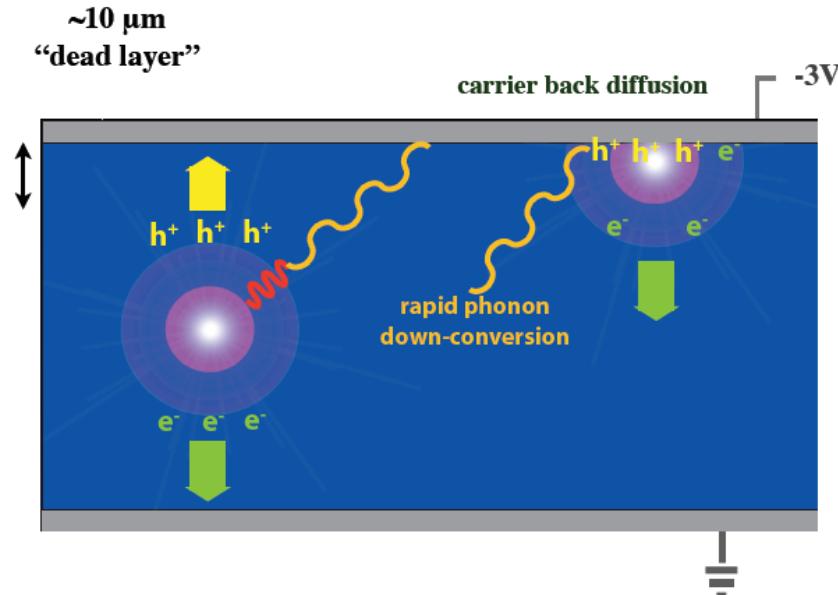
# XY - Position Information

## from phonon quadrant relative amplitudes and delays



# Z-Position Information

## from phonon and ionization relative timing

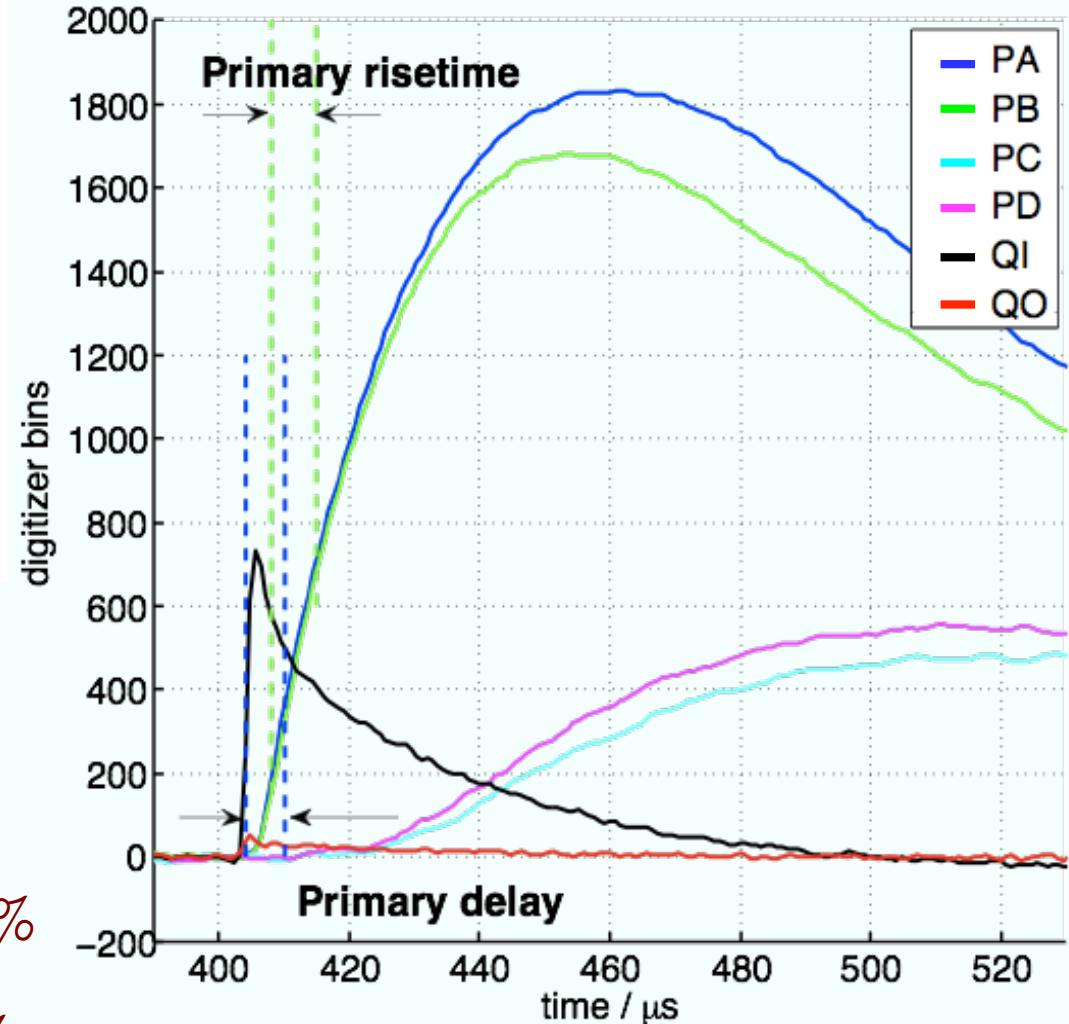


Phonons created near surface travel faster through crystal (ballistic)

**Construct a Timing Parameter from a linear combination of**

Risetime = phonon RT from 10-40%

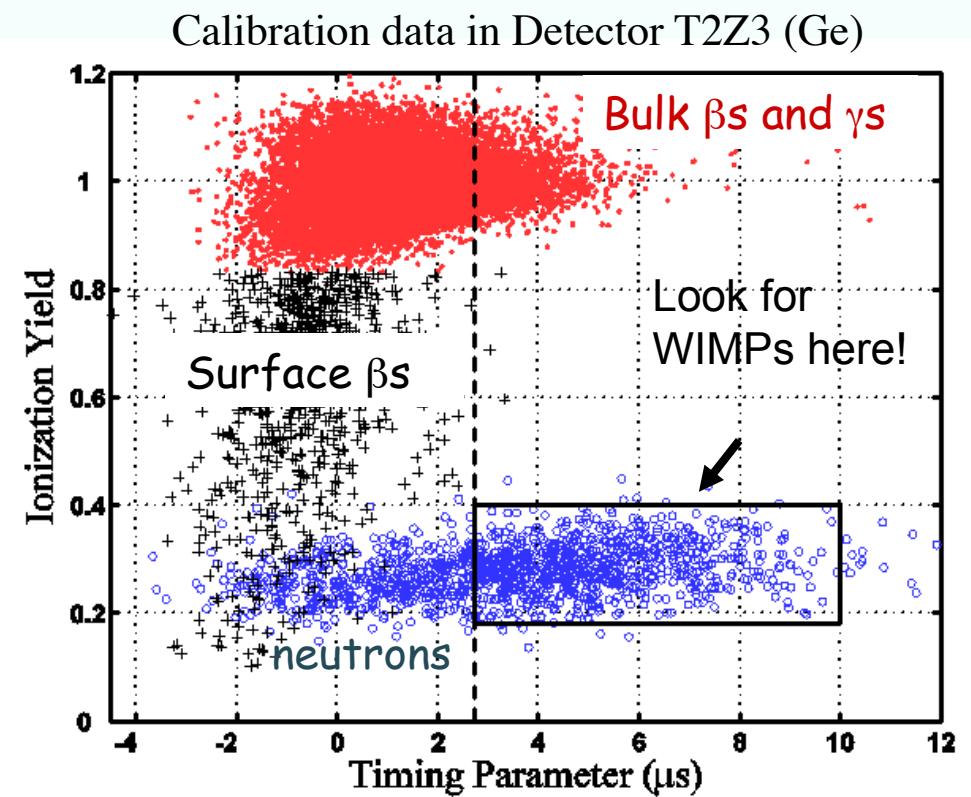
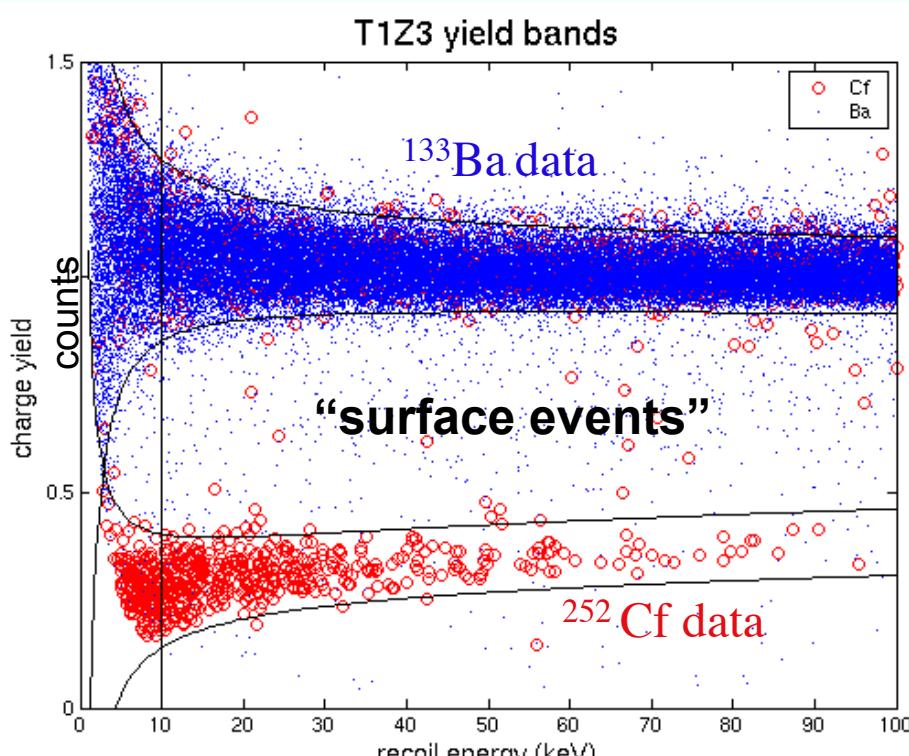
Delay =  $\Delta t$  between phonon at 20% and charge at 20%



# Z-Position = Surface Event Rejection

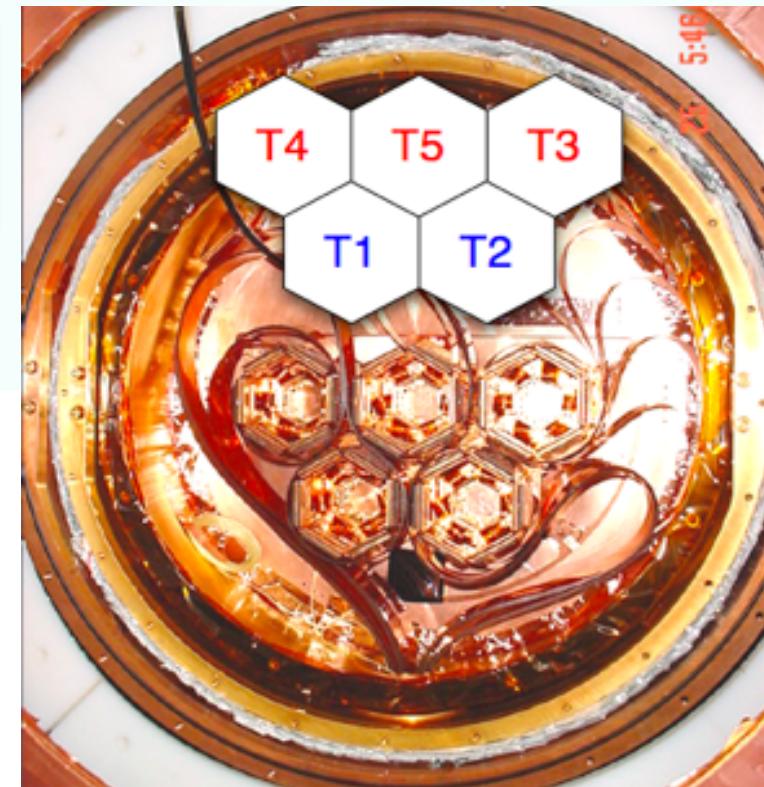
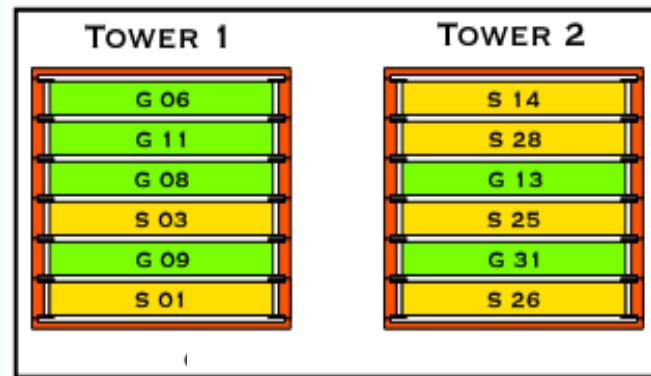
Any trace  $\beta$ -emitters on detector surface have incomplete ionization and can fake a nuclear recoil.

*Yield = Normalized and position-corrected Ionization to Phonon ratio*



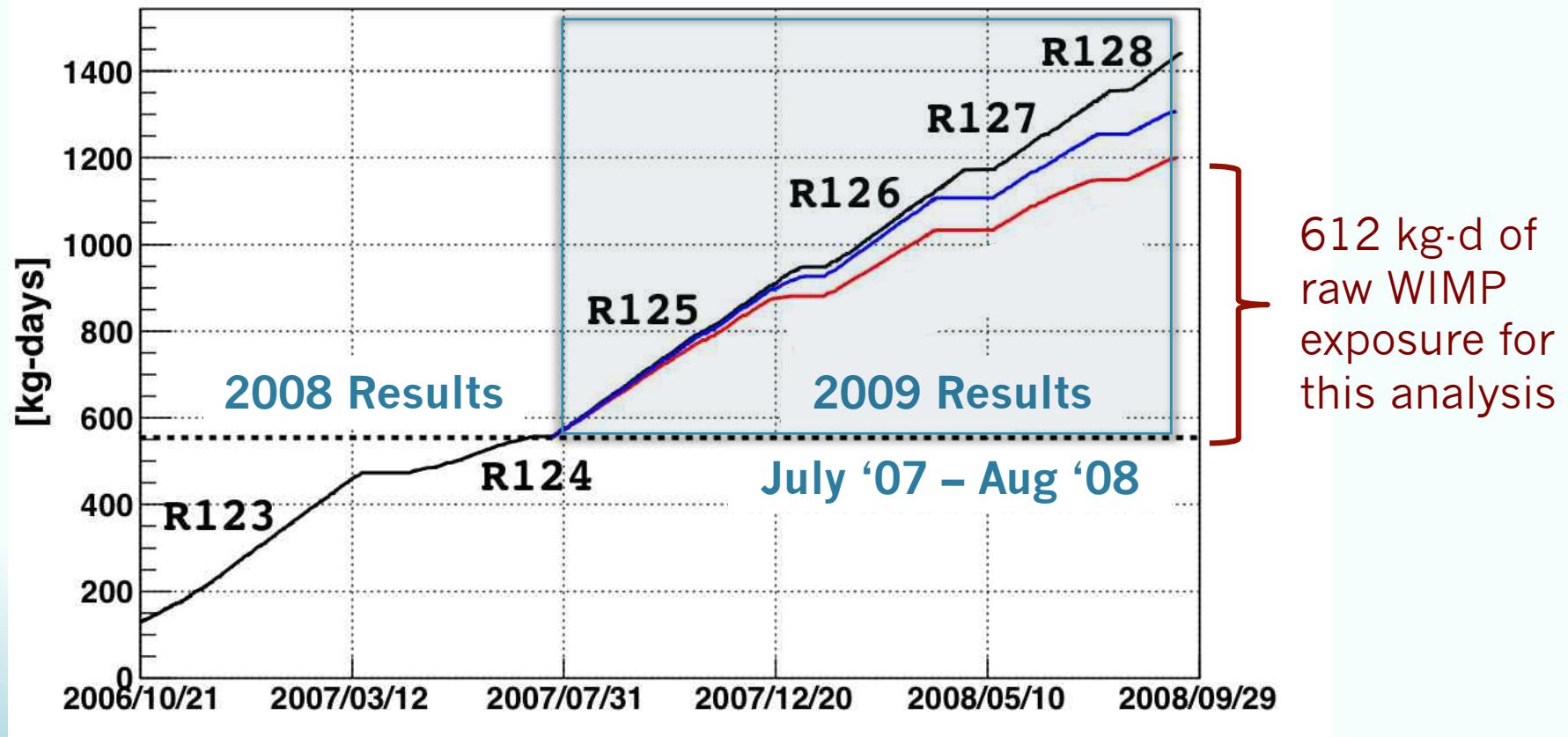
# 5-Tower CDMS Runs

30 ZIPs installed in Soudan since June '06  
19 ZIPs + 11 ZIPs  
Ge (4.4 kg) Si (1.1 kg)



# CDMS Livetime and Exposure

70% Livetime, 10 M WIMP search events, 225 M  $^{133}\text{Ba}$  calibration events



Blue: remove some detectors from WIMP single scatter search  
(still used to reject multiples)

Red: remove periods of poor data quality

# Further cuts on the data to define WIMP “box”

194.1 kg-days exposure in  
“box” after further cuts

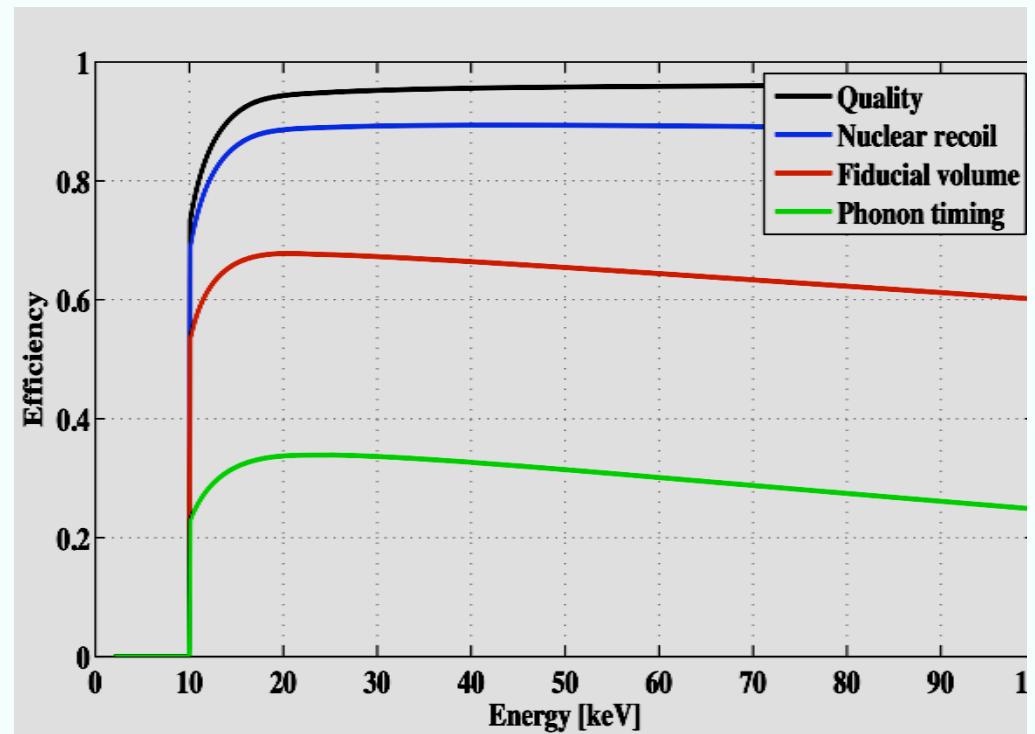
Veto Anti-coincident

Within  $2\sigma$  of nuclear recoil band

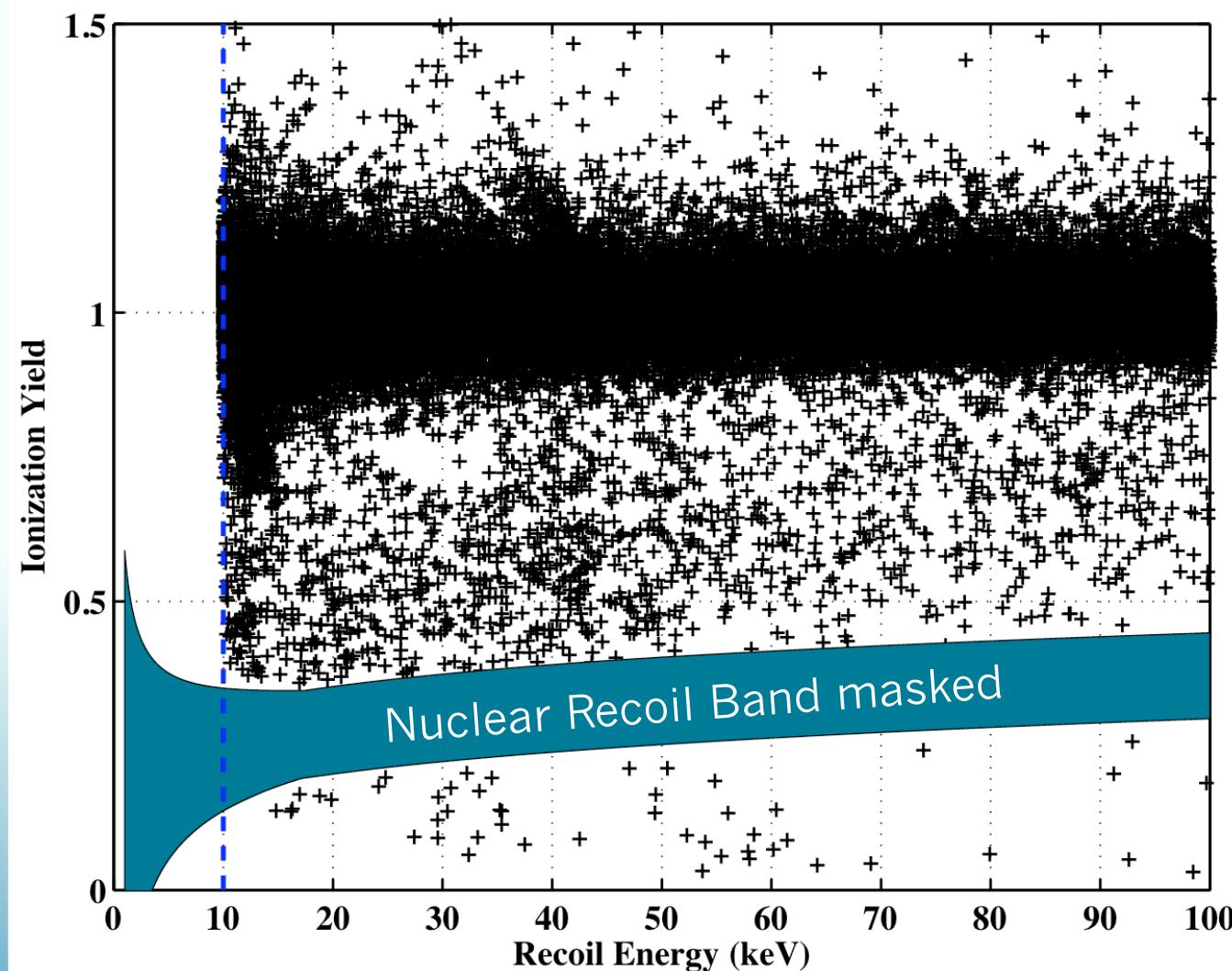
Fiducial cut (Qinner)

Single Scatters

Surface (timing) cut



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**Blinded Data  
after all cuts except  
timing cut**

Don't look at single  
scatters in NR band

Next Step:

Decide on Timing Cut  
for each detector

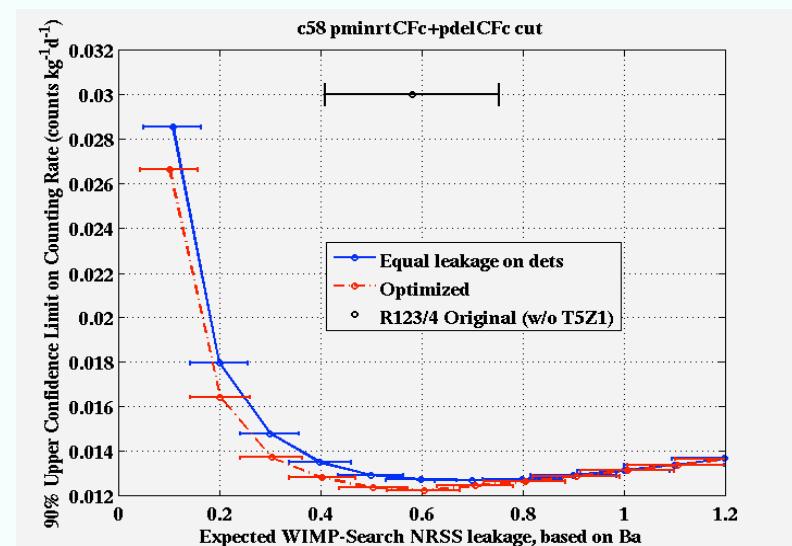
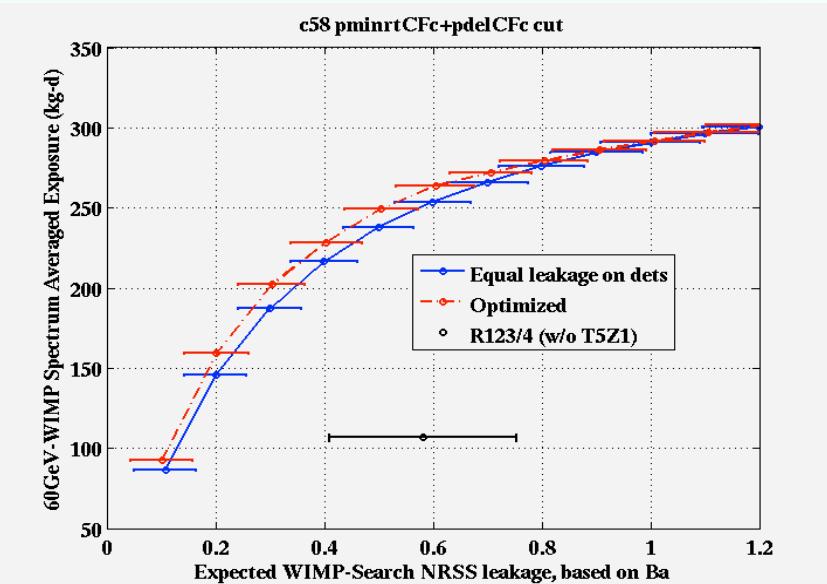
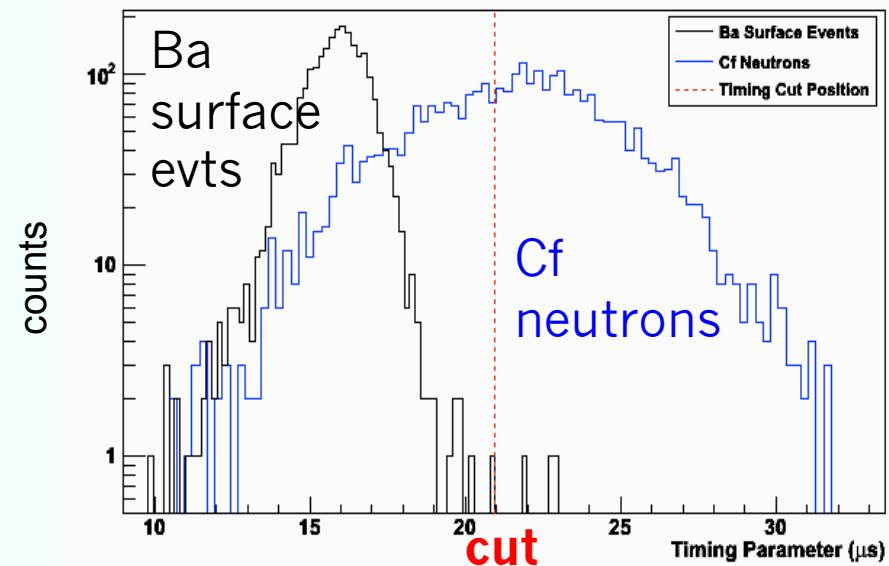
# Tuning the surface cut to < 1 background event

Our timing cut is a choice.

Trade-off between  
Exposure and Leakage.

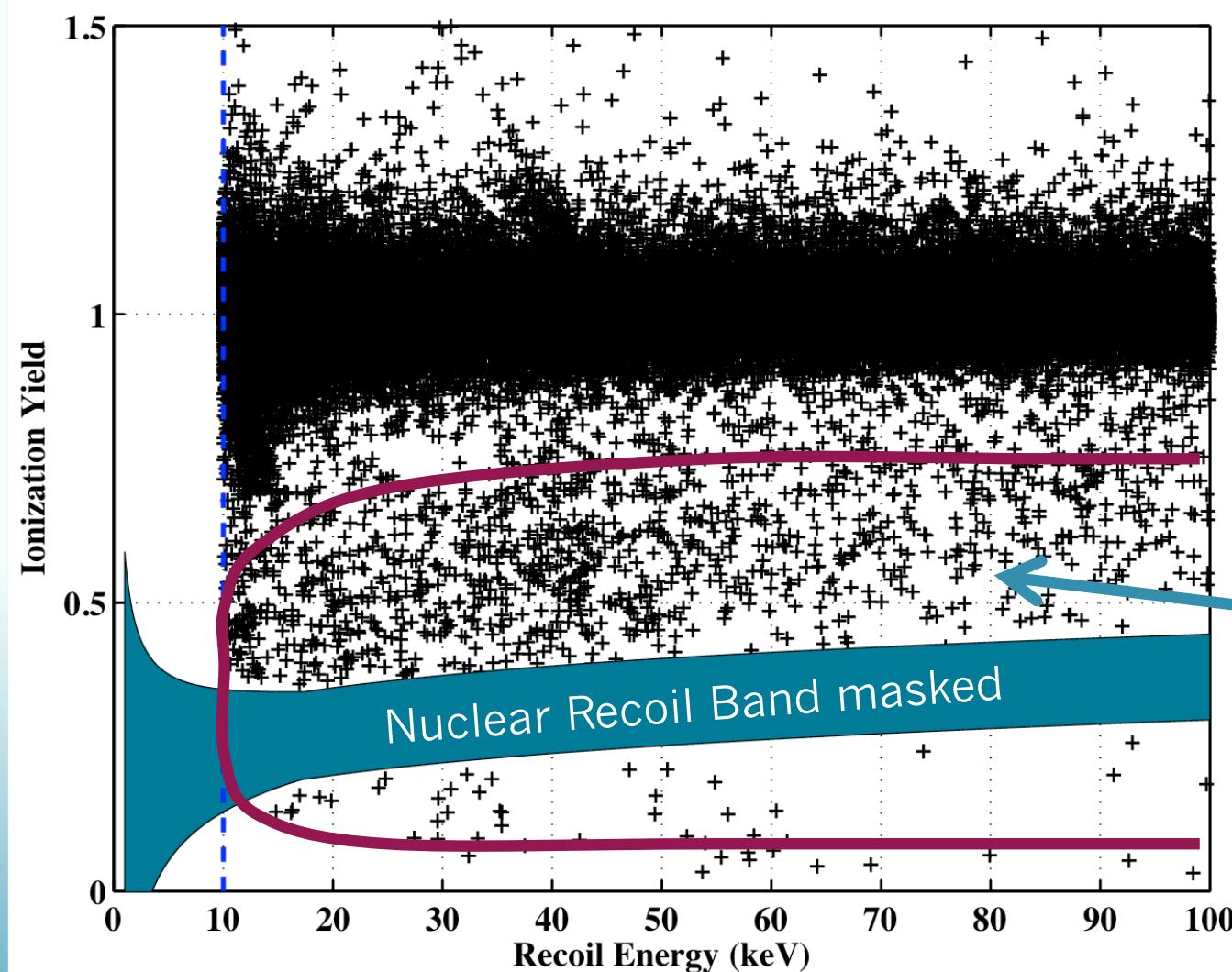
Use a 60 GeV WIMP spectrum  
averaged exposure

0.6 evt is optimum leakage  
Fairly flat minimum



# Estimate Leakage without looking in box

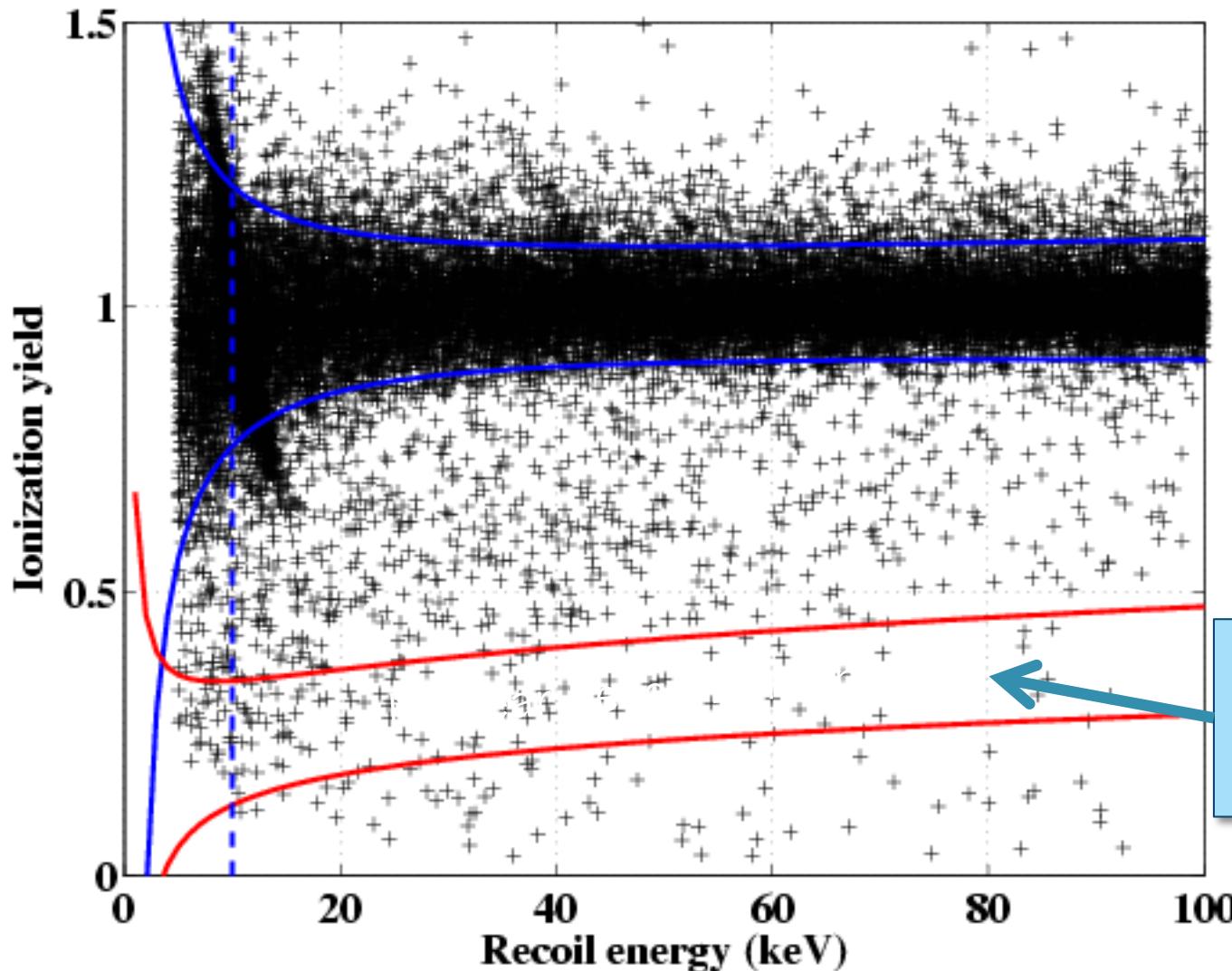
## 3 Independent distributions



Distribution 1:  
*WIMP search Dataset*  
Singles and multiples just  
outside NR band

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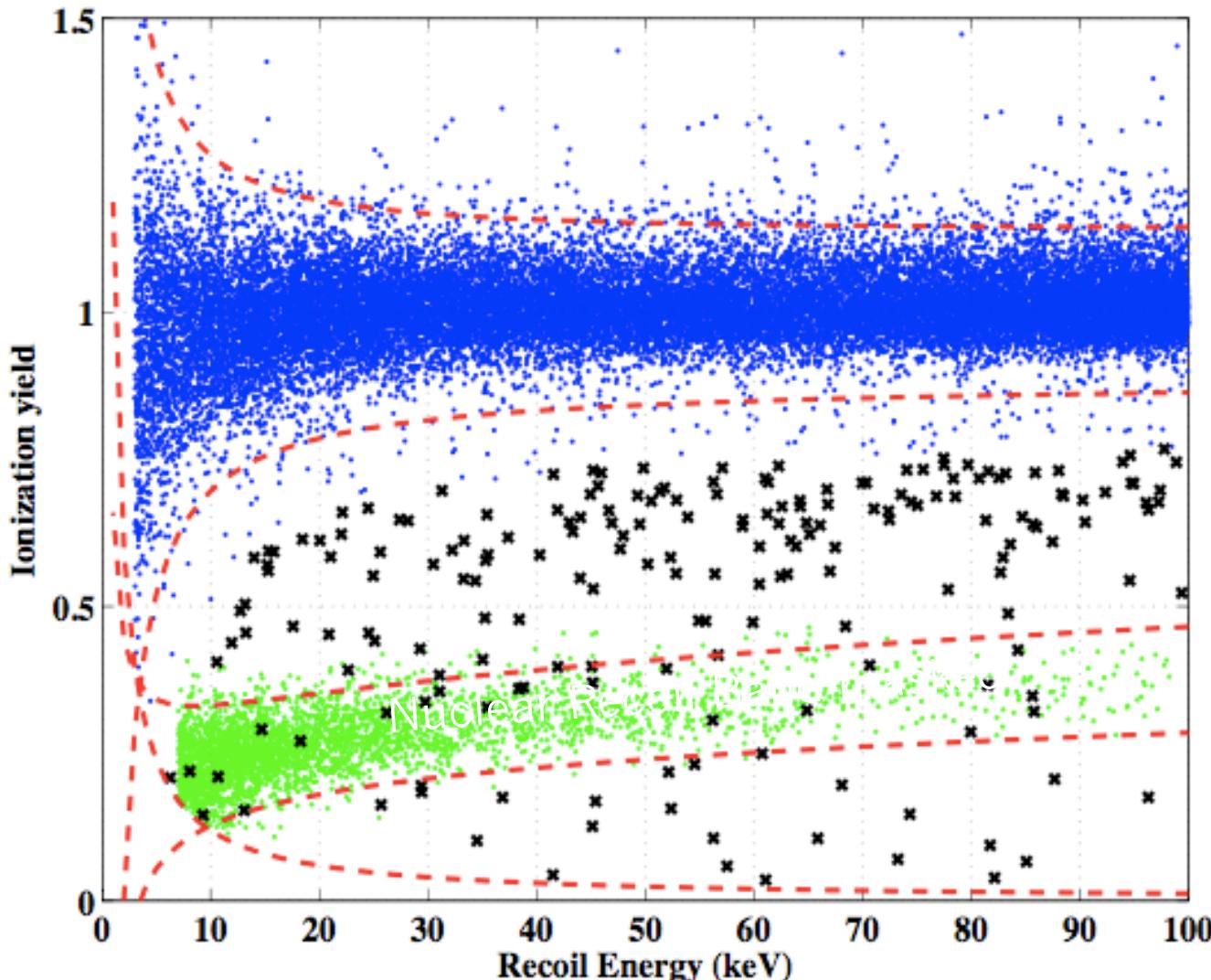


*Least systematic uncertainty, but poor statistics and no estimate for endcap detectors*

**Distribution 2:**  
*WIMP search Dataset*  
Multiples inside NR band

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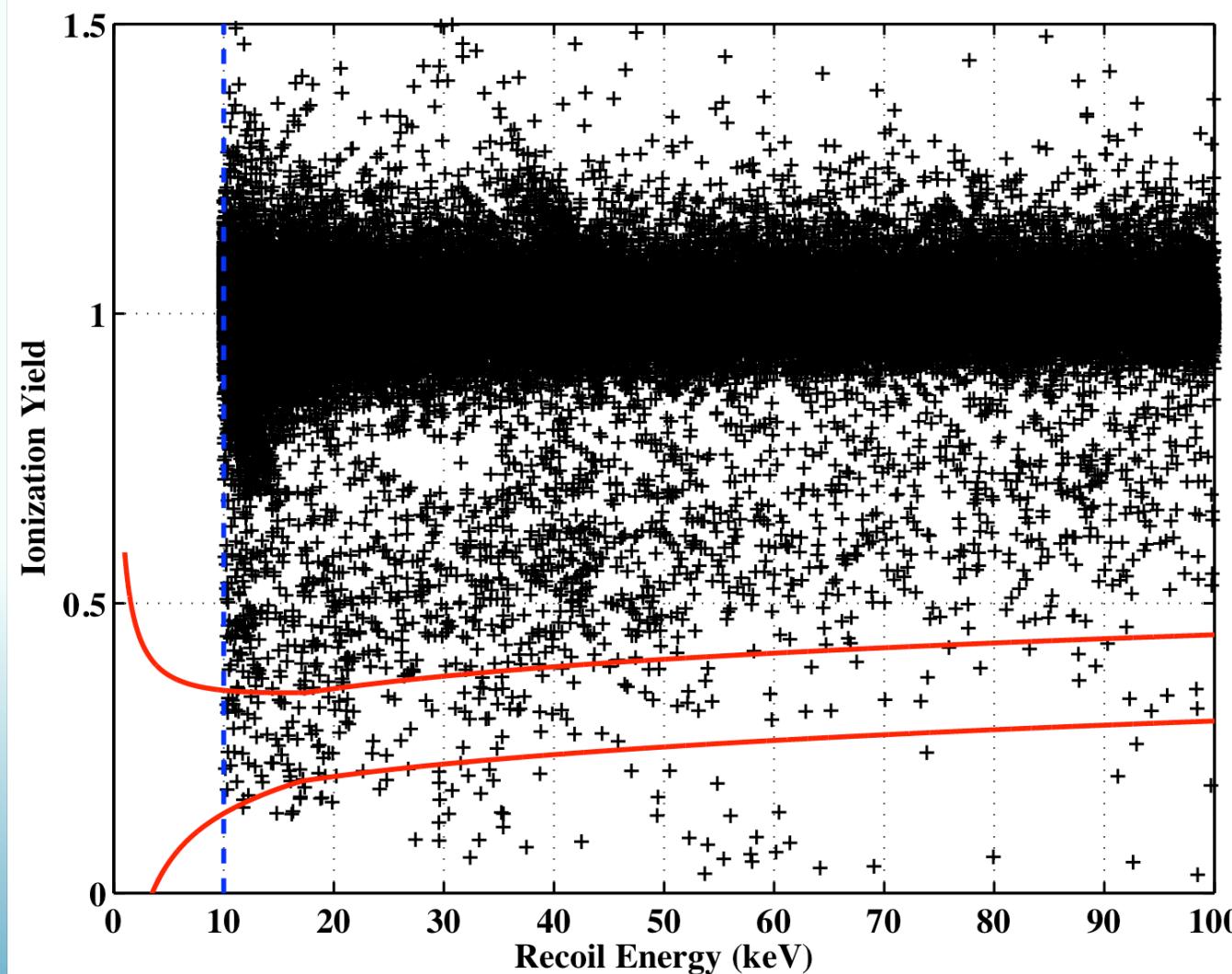
## 3 Independent distributions



*Best statistical power,  
but most systematic  
uncertainty. Need to  
correct for differences in  
source energy & position*

**Distribution 3:**  
**Barium dataset**  
Singles and Multiples  
inside wide region around  
(and in) NR band

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## Blinded Data

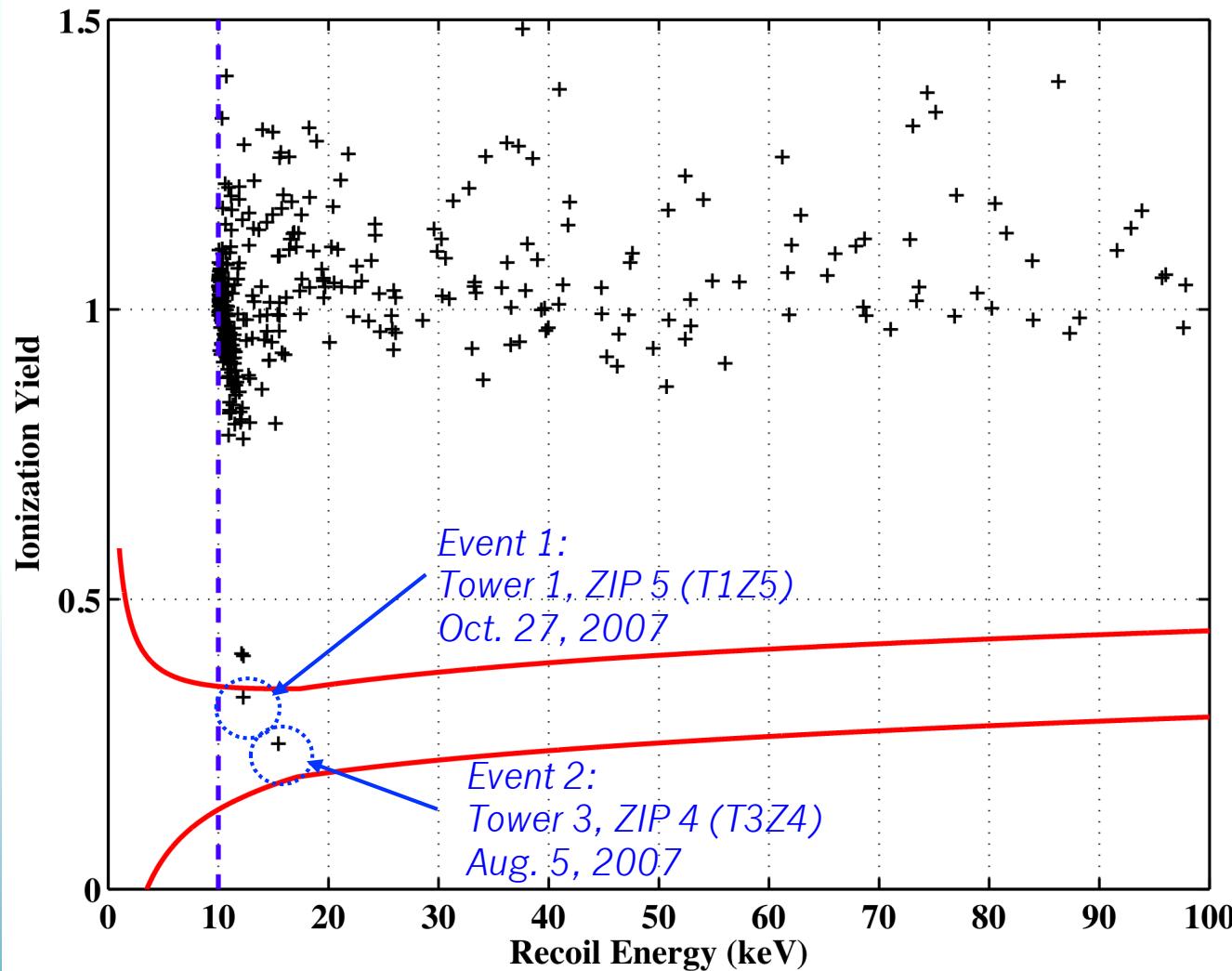
Unmask events in NR band that FAIL surface cut

150 events appear

Compare to our Leakage Estimates to see if there are systematics issues.

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surface event leakage estimate =  $0.8 \pm 0.1(\text{stat}) \pm 0.2(\text{sys})$



Apply Timing  
CUT

and two events  
are left

Recall that our  
previous dataset had  
ZERO events.

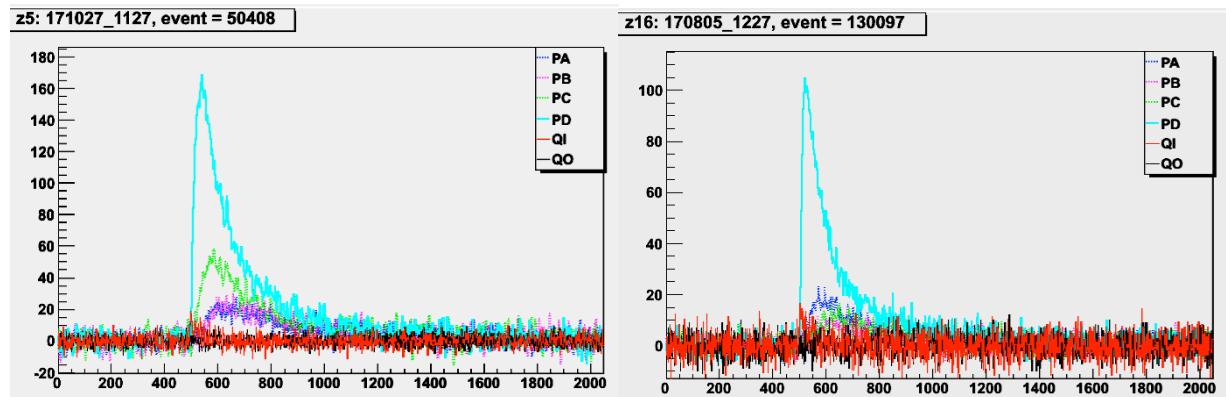
6 or more events  
already starts to be  
inconsistent with our  
previous result

# Check to make sure these are good events

## Event itself

Individual Pulses and fits  
Noise baseline  
All analysis parameters  
(e.g. position, energy, etc)

Typical, Far from edges



## Check Other Detectors in same event

How many sigma away from baseline noise? **True Single Events**  
Only typical noise in Veto Pane? **True Anti-Coincident Event**

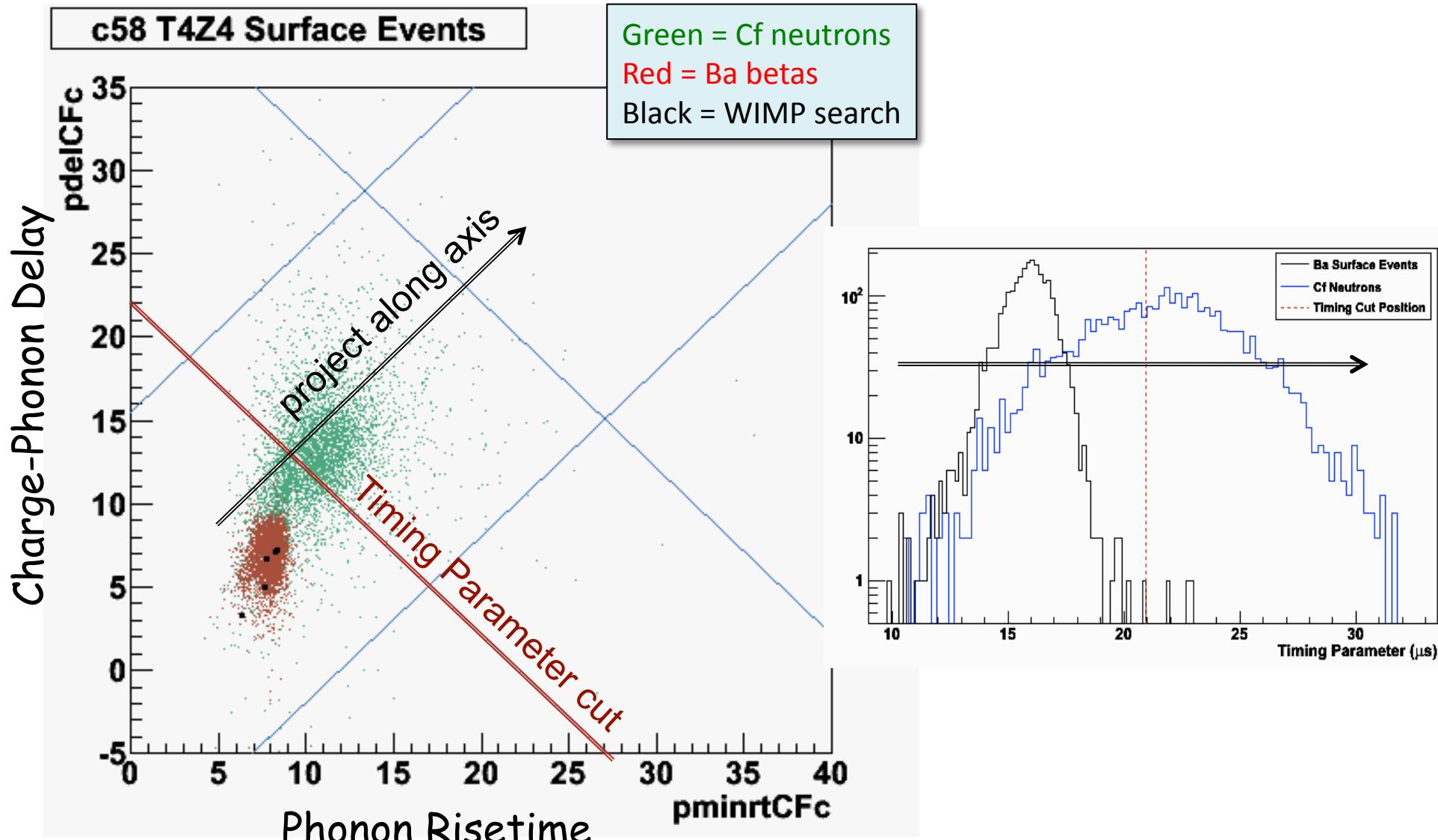
## Check run series in which event occurs

Neutralization: Fraction of low-yield events & size of run series. **Typical**  
Check Kolmogorov-Smirnov tests for series. **Valid, good scores**  
EM Rates (gamma and beta bands) **Typical**

# Could they be a Surface Event?

Look at Timing Parameter in detail

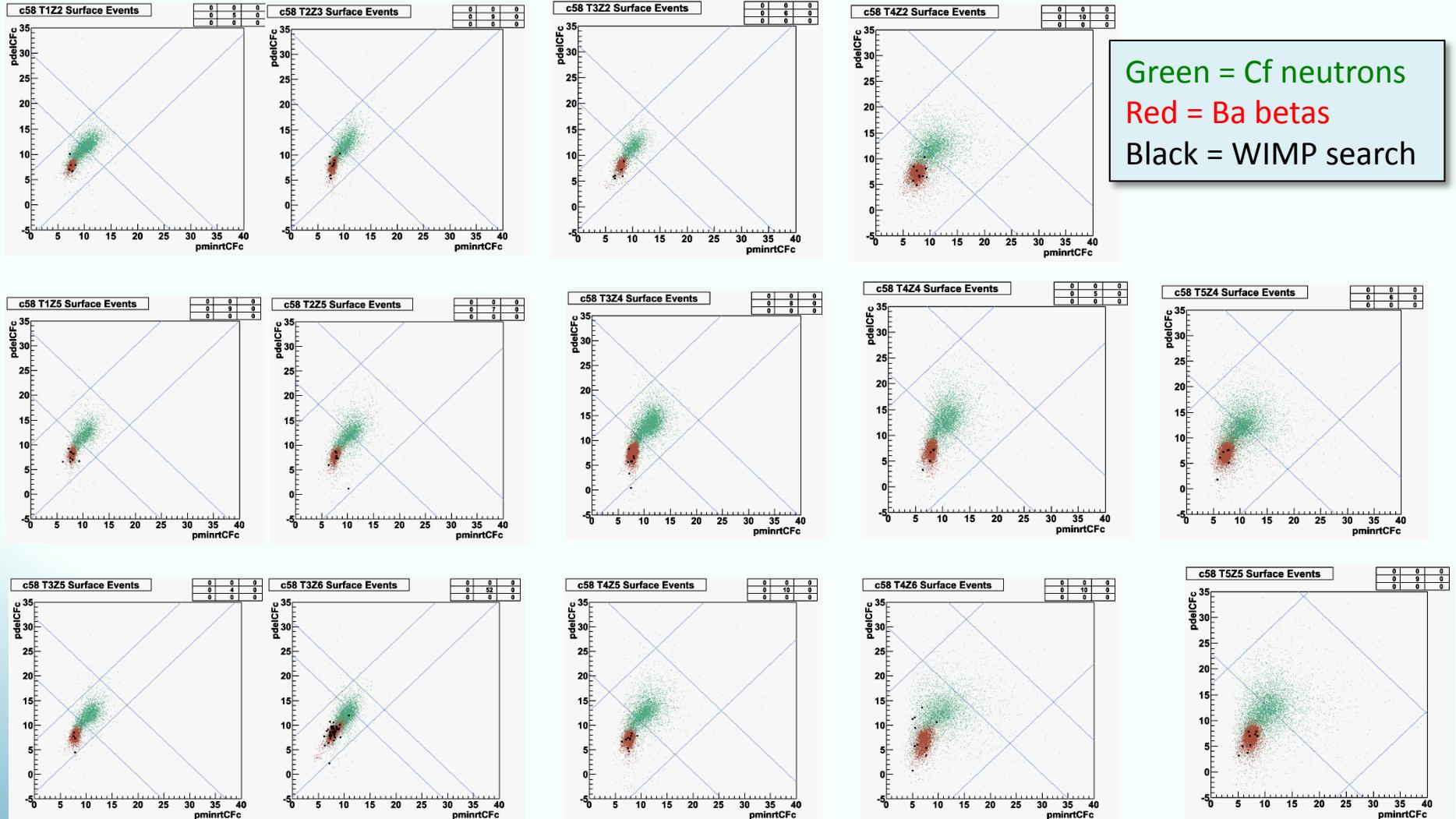
Calibration data in green and red; WIMP Search data in black



# Yield Band events for all detectors in Delay vs Risetime Space

Timing parameter cut chosen for each detector

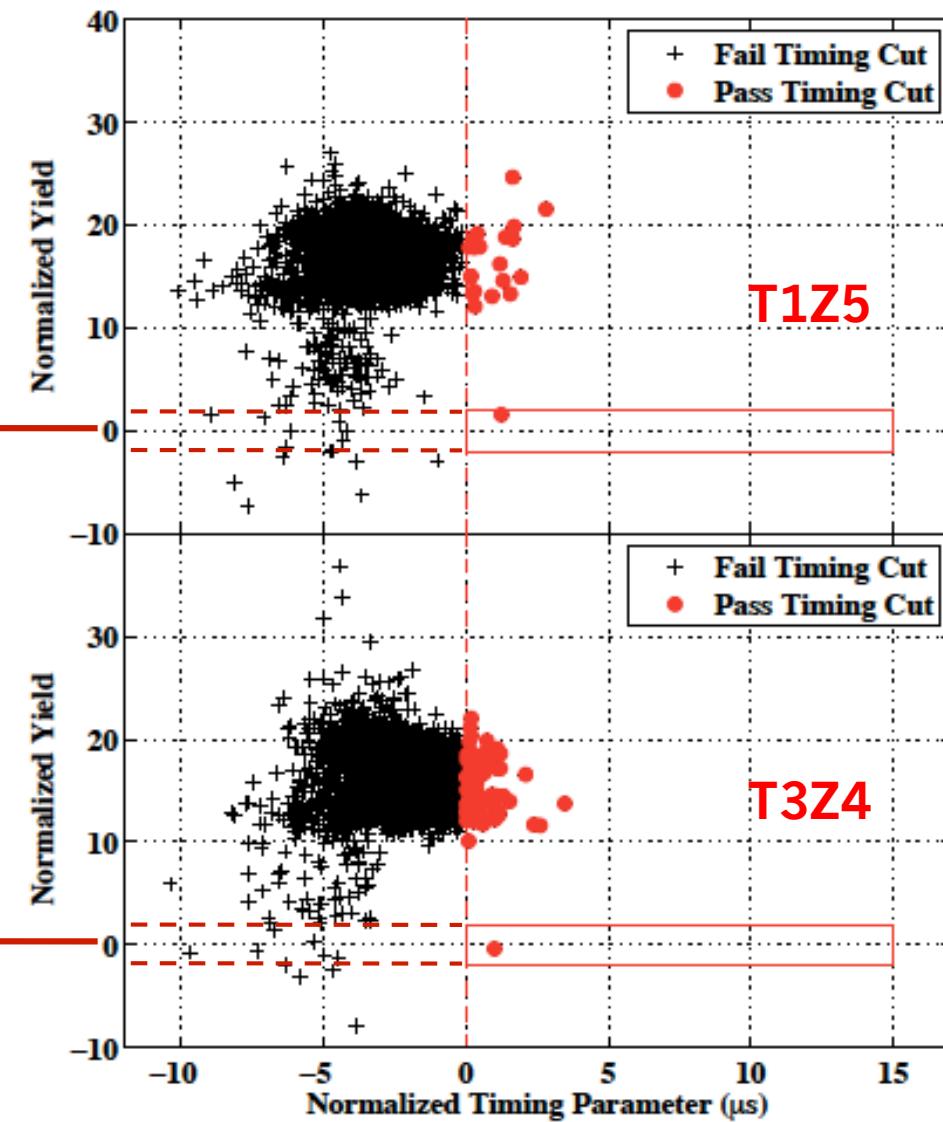
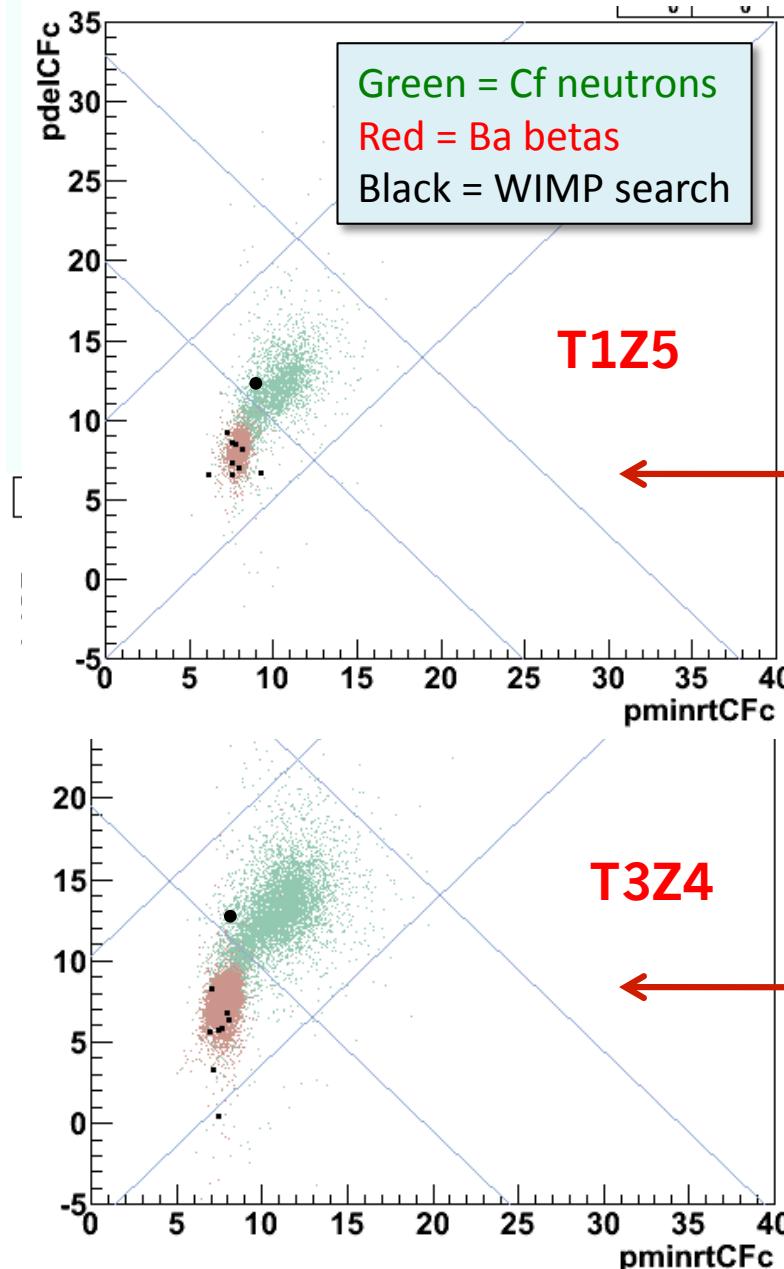
Charge-Phonon Delay



Phonon Risetime

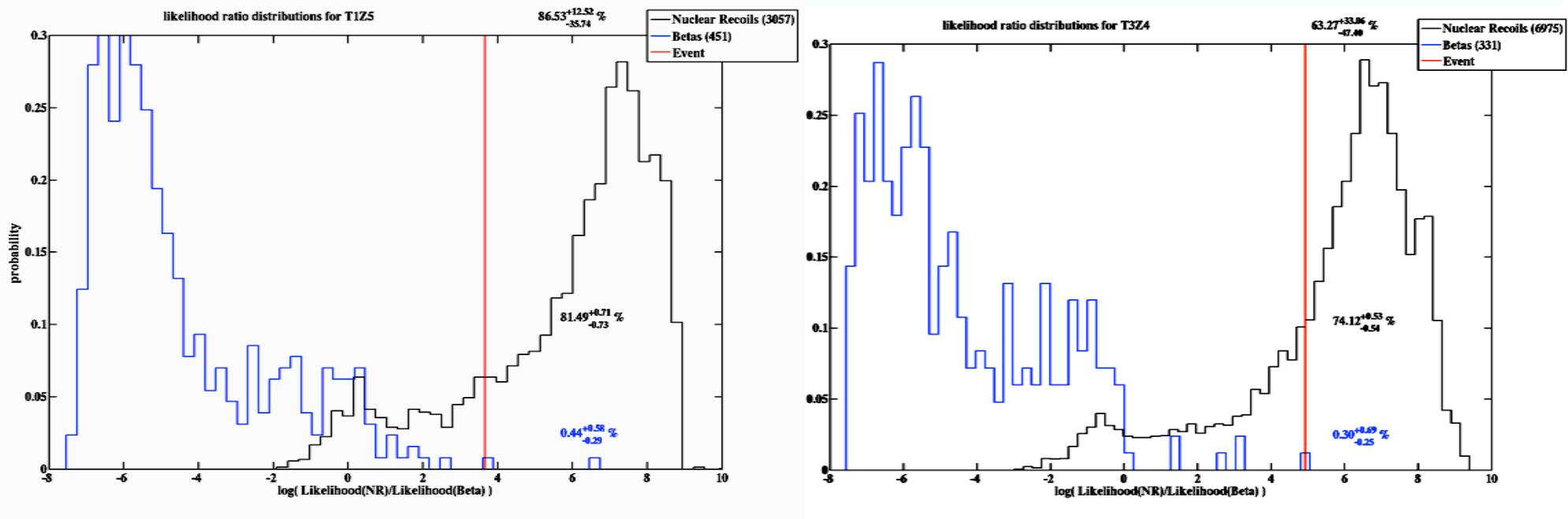
# WIMP candidate events

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# Likelihood Analysis

allows us to determine how much candidate events resemble neutron distribution (WIMP-like) or beta distribution (surface evt)



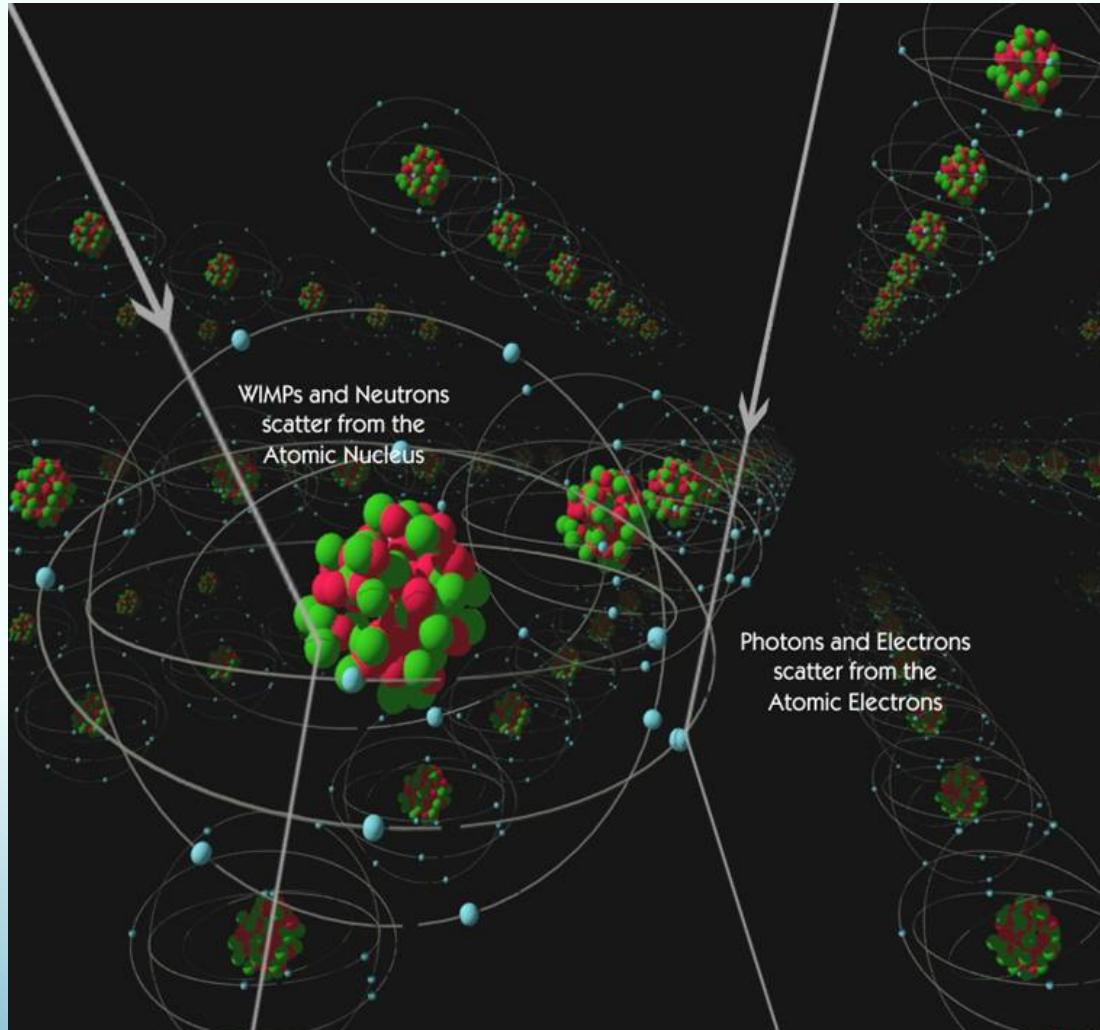
**T1Z5**

81% Nuclear Recoil  
0.4% Surface Event

**T3Z4**

74% Nuclear Recoil  
0.3% Surface Event

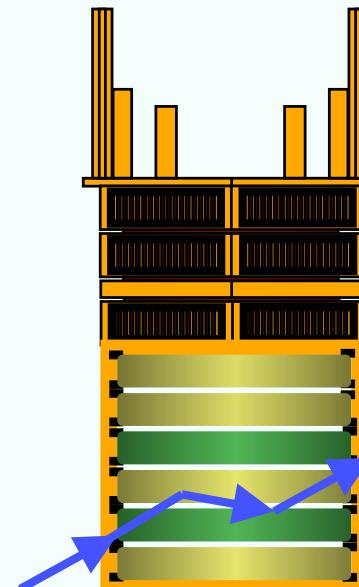
# Could they be neutrons?



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Neutrons normally produce multiple-scatter Nuclear Recoils, but our stack is not infinitely large or hermetic!

We need to shield from them



## Sited at the Soudan Underground Lab (Minnesota, USA)



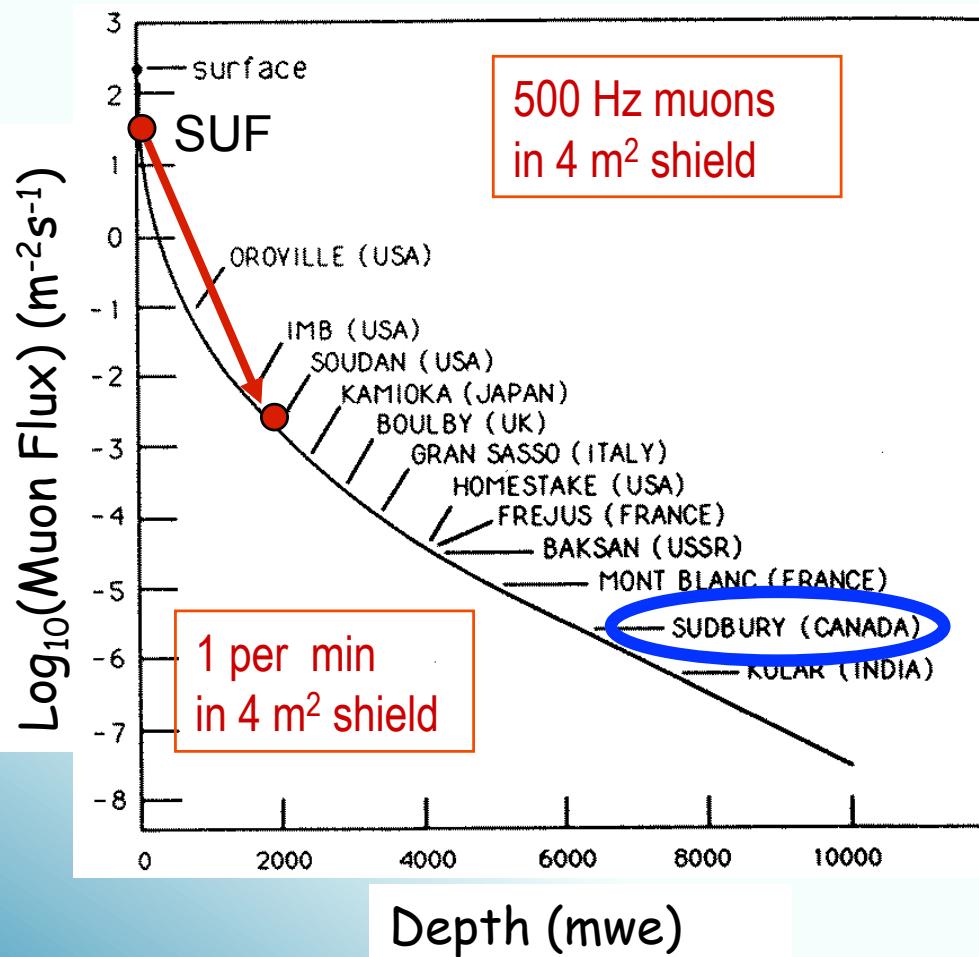
which sometimes seems like just outside Moscow



# Cosmogenic Neutron Bkgd

2090 mwe reduces muon flux by ~30,000

Reduces neutron background from  
~1 / kg / day to ~1 / kg / year



Scintillator Panels = active muon veto

100% efficient for Muons

96% efficient for NR in detectors

17% of the neutron events come from parent muons that do NOT intersect shield



# Cosmogenic Neutron Bkgd

## Tool kit for establishing the cosmogenic background

Full Simulation of 5 tower run starting from muon files matched to Soudan geography and Soudan2/MINOS angular muon flux data

29 live years of GEANT4

42 live years of FLUKA/MCNPX

Handful of Veto-coincident nuclear recoils over entire 5-tower running  
16 multiples      3 singles

Multiple ways to combine these, all were consistent. (except absolute MC flux)

Chose  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{3 NR singles, vetoed} \\ \text{data} \end{array} \right] * \epsilon_{\text{neutron}} * \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{NR singles, unvetoed} \\ \text{NR singles, vetoed} \end{array} \right] \text{MC}$

0.04  $^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$  (stat) events

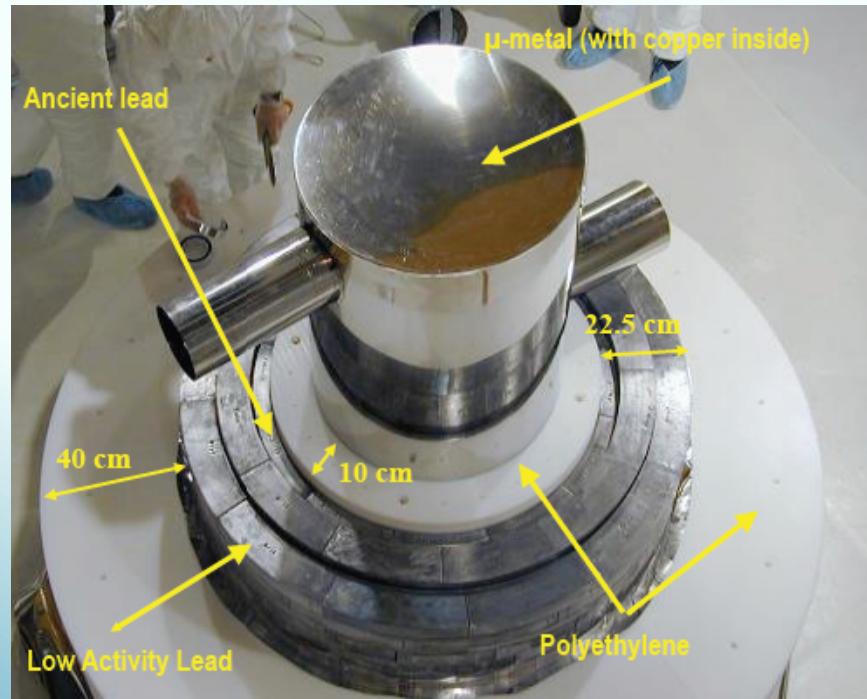
# Spontaneous fission and ( $\alpha$ -n) reactions

## Lead/Poly Shielding

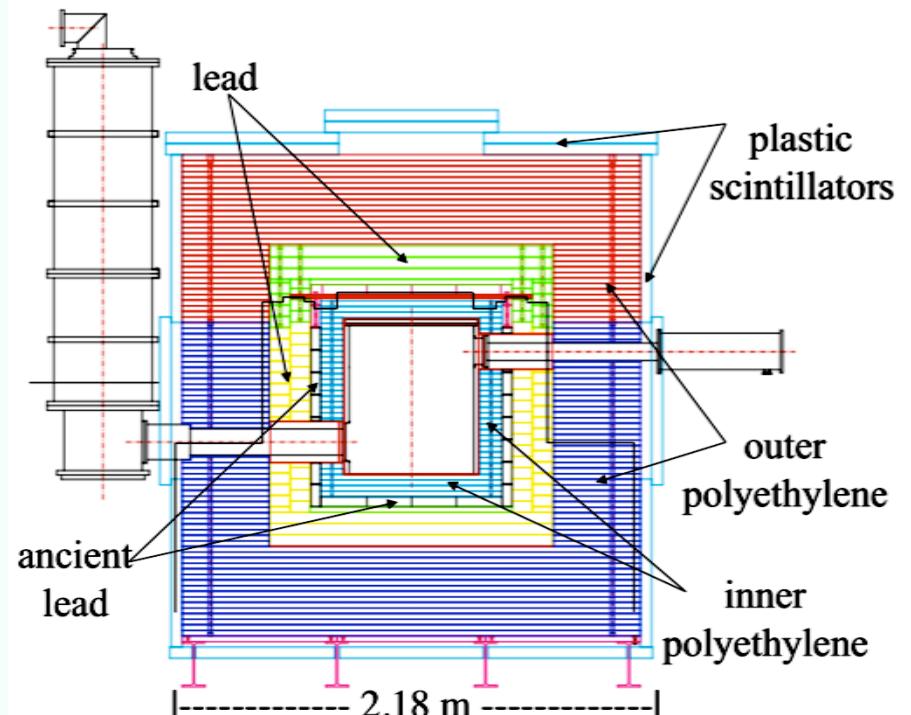
Effective shielding of low energy neutrons from rock radioactivity

But

Generates neutrons via SF and ( $\alpha$ -n)



## CDMS Icebox and Shield



# Spontaneous fission and ( $\alpha$ -n) reactions

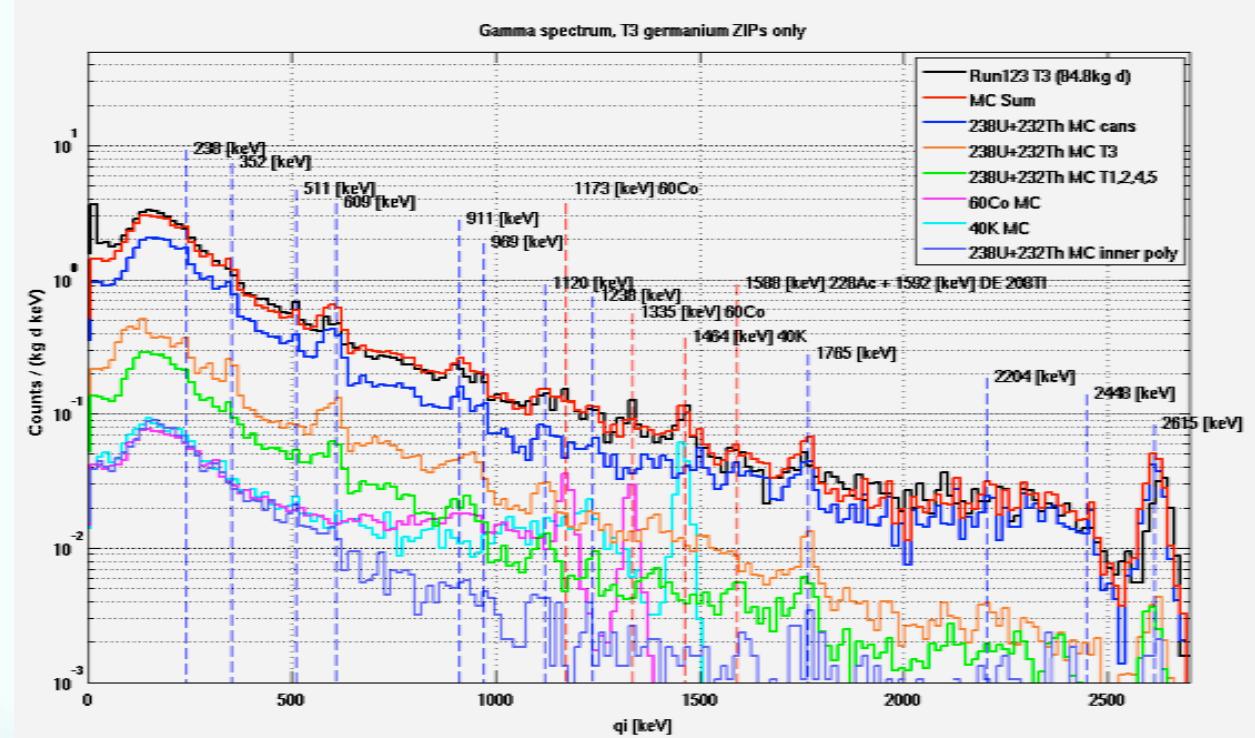
GEANT4 MC determines # single NR based on U/Th (and  $^{40}\text{K}/^{60}\text{Co}$ ) content in lead, poly, copper cans, tower assemblies

MC Input

- (1) Screening of materials using  $\gamma$  detectors
- (2) Match detector  $\gamma$  spectrum to global fit of contaminant spectra

Estimated background in  
this data set  
(dominated by Cu cans)

.03 - .06 events



# So what can we say about these 2 events?

*- for the Blind Analysis*

The probability to observe 2 or more surface events based on the estimated background is  
20%

After including the neutron background, the probability to observe 2 or more events is  
23%

We would have to reduce our exposure by 28% and leakage to 0.4 events to get rid of both candidates

No additional events would enter the signal region until we increase the revised surface event estimate to 1.7 events

**Our results cannot be interpreted as significant evidence for WIMP interactions. However, we cannot reject either event as signal either.**

# Spin Independent Limit (90% CL)

Optimum Interval Method (Yellin) with 2 events

Not background subtracted

CDMS 2009

$\sigma = 7.0 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$   
 $@ m_\chi = 70 \text{ GeV}$

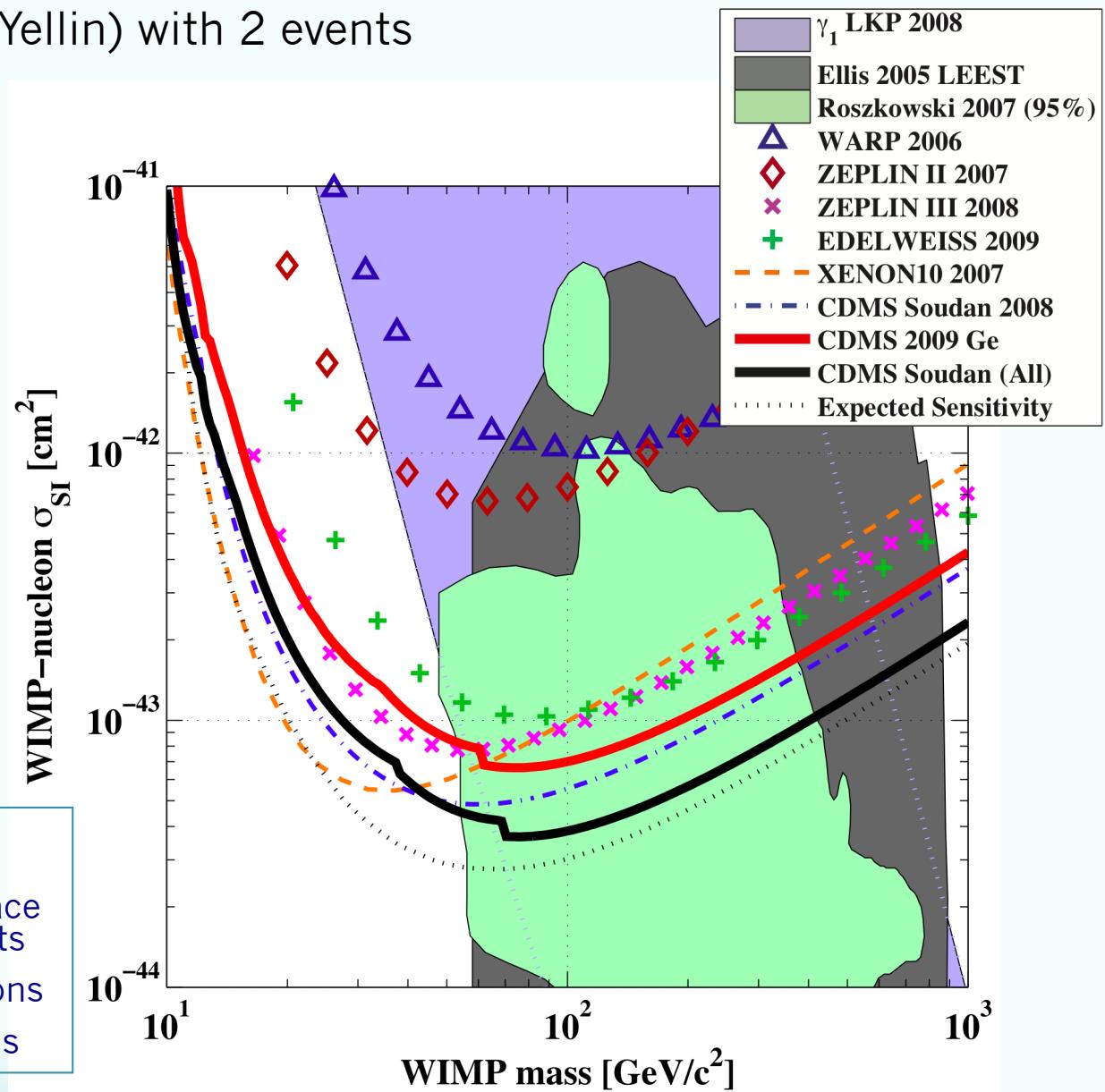
CDMS Combined Soudan

$\sigma = 3.8 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$   
 $@ m_\chi = 70 \text{ GeV}$

Sensitivity curve assuming:

$0.8 \pm 0.1(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.2(\text{sys.})$  surface events

0.01 - 0.08      cosmogenic neutrons  
 0.03 - 0.06      radiogenic neutrons



# What's Next?

We were committed to presenting a Blind Analysis of our Results.

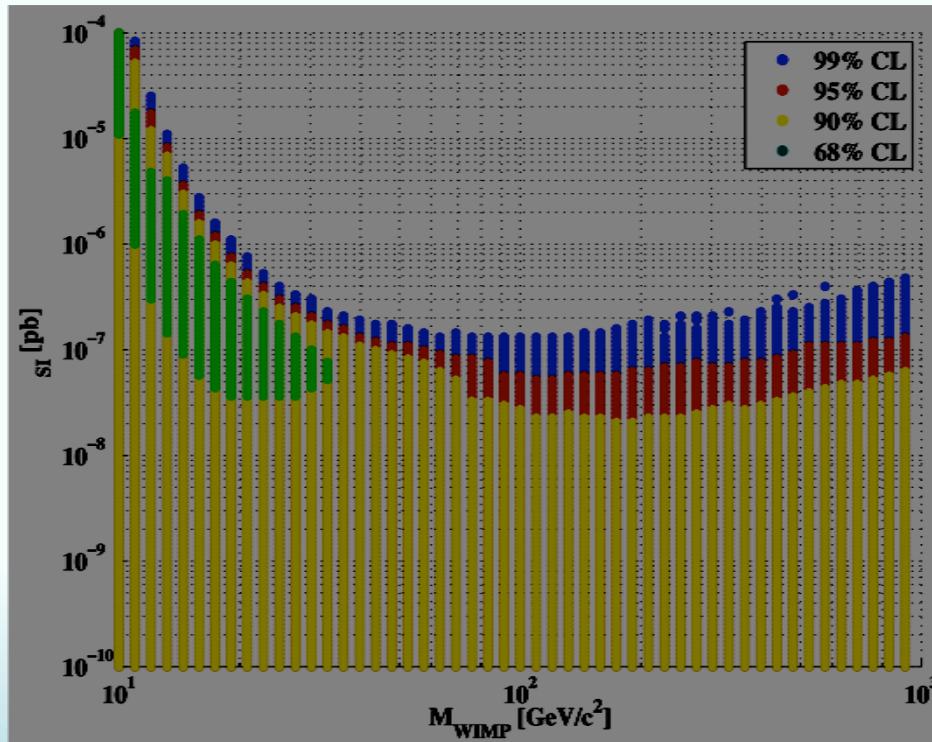
1. Define a “box” in an unbiased manner
2. Count number of events inside
3. Form limit without background subtraction  
Optimal Interval or Maximum Gap

Now we are reanalyzing the data – Summer 2010

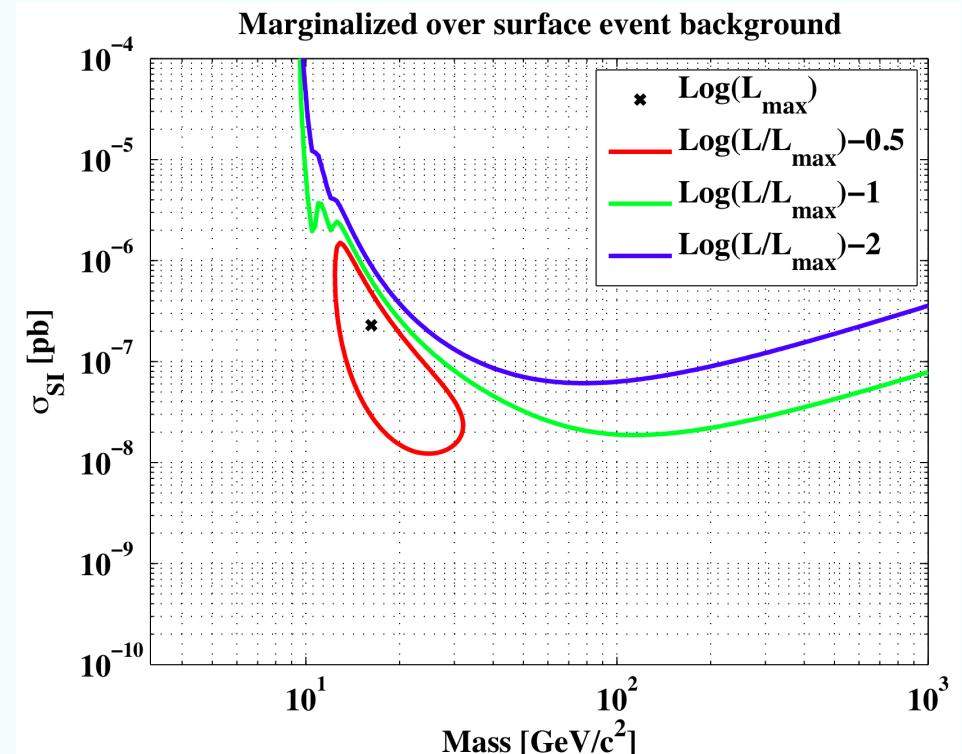
1. Revise our optimal filter routine (min ChiSq)
2. Fit backgrounds into our signal region
3. Re-optimize exposure vs timing cut
4. Do full Feldman-Cousins and Likelihood Analysis
5. Possibly over the entire set of runs 123-128

# Preview of Coming Attractions

Feldman-Cousins

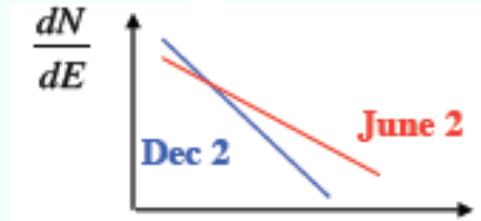


Log-Likelihood

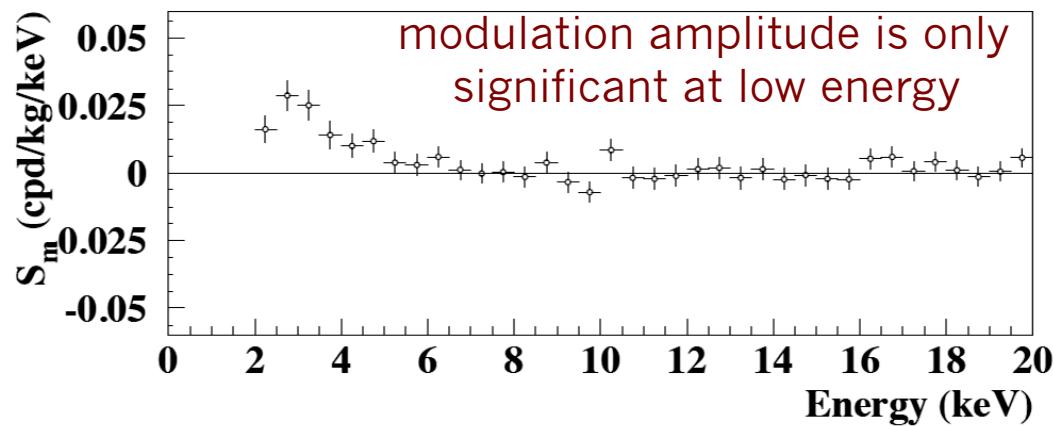
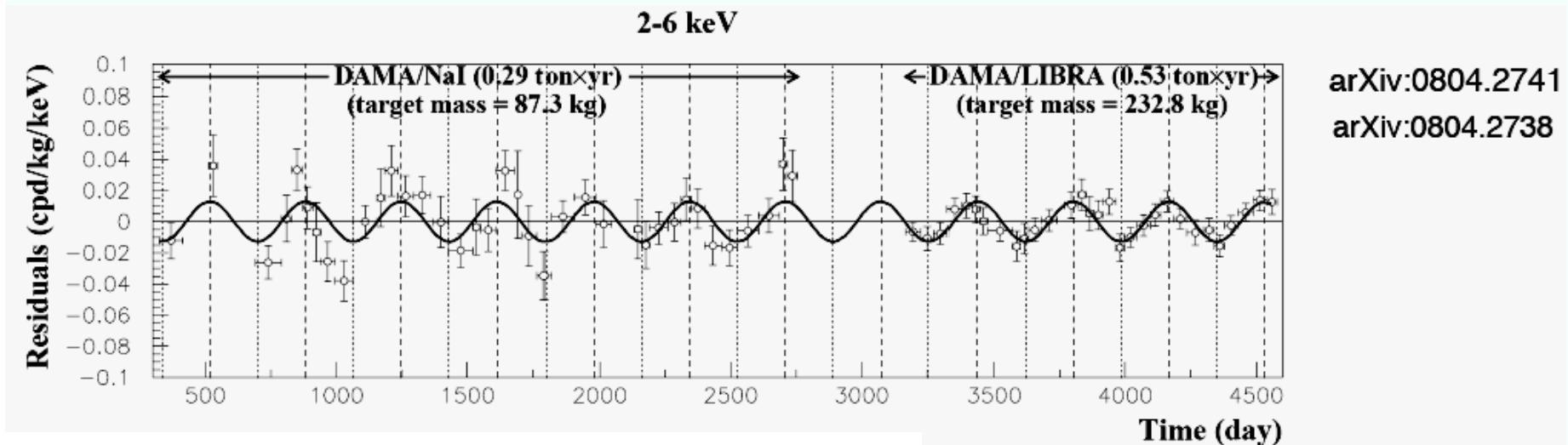


Caution – we are now moving away from a Blind Analysis.  
This requires a full study of our backgrounds in the region of the candidate events. Preliminary work has started on this.

# Annual Flux Variation



DAMA/LIBRA exposure = 0.82 ton-years of NaI(Tl) at LNGS



an amplitude  $A_m = 0.0131 \pm 0.0016$   
a period of  $\omega = 0.998 \pm 0.003$  years  
a phase max at  $t_0 = 144 \pm 8$  days  
with significance C.L. =  $8.2\sigma$

# DAMA Not Compatible with other experiments: *Try modifying your assumptions*

Non-standard halos, DM streams, caustics

Light WIMPs that interact with electrons

Axion-like relic particles

XDM, IDM help explain Integral 511 keV line, Pamela antimatter excess

XDM: Exciting DM  $\chi^* + N \rightarrow \chi + N$   
*range of possible downscatters, rich spectrum, heavy WIMPs*

IDM: Inelastic DM  $\chi + N \rightarrow \chi^* + N$   
*Low energy recoils suppressed  
Heavier tgt has smaller threshold velocity  
Enhanced modulation*

For a given  $E_r$ , need  $\min v$   
for a heavier  $\chi^*$  ( $\delta \sim 100$  keV)

$$v_{\min} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2m_N E_R}} \left( \frac{m_N E_R}{\mu_1} + \delta \right)$$

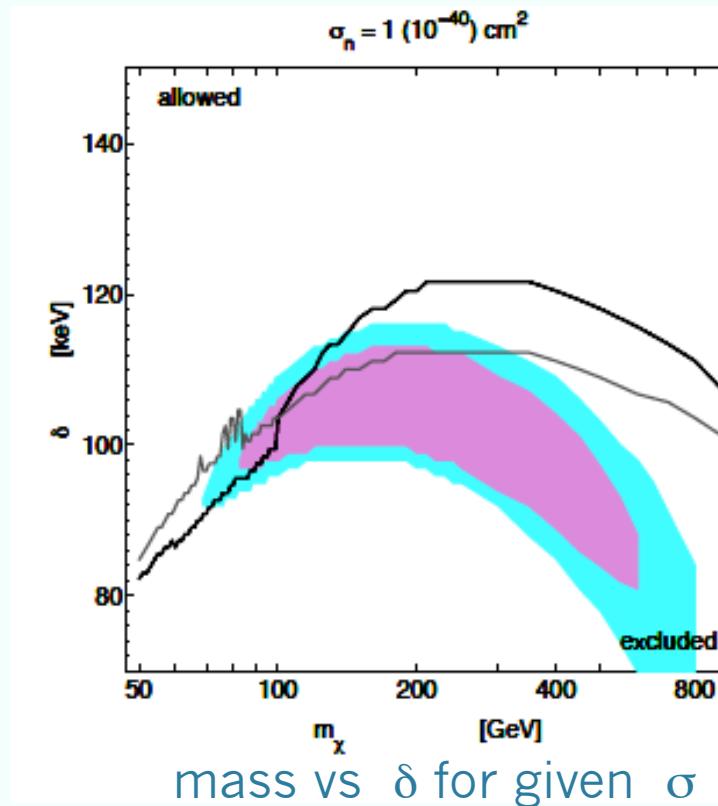
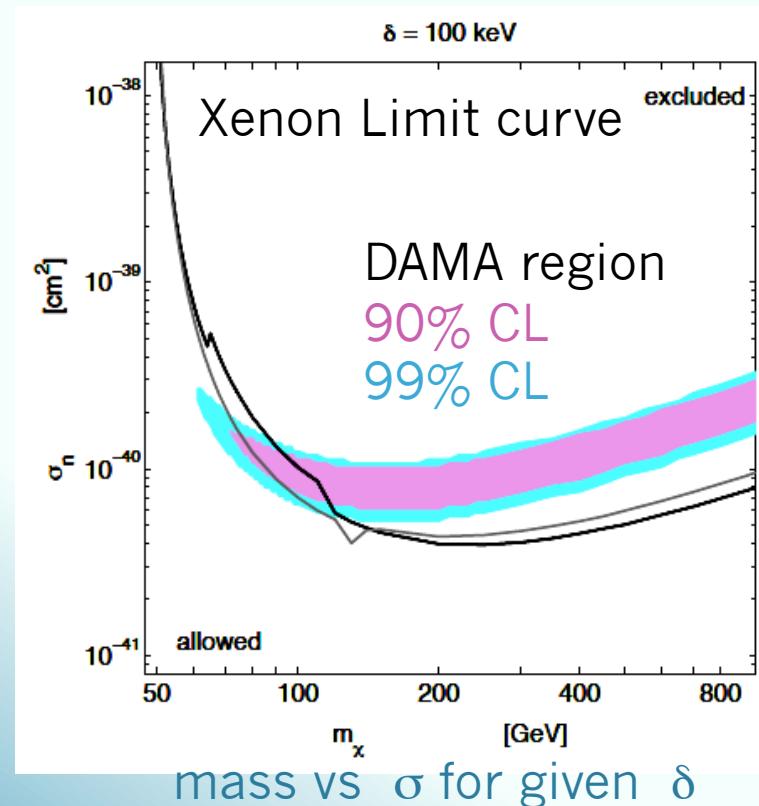
# Inelastic Dark Matter: $\chi + N \rightarrow \chi^* + N$ with mass difference $\delta$

Range : $\delta = 0$  (elastic scatter) to  $\delta = 170$  keV for  $m_\chi = 100$  GeV and  $v_{\text{esc}} = 500$  km/s

R. Bernabei et al., Eur. Phys. J. C. 56 333 (2008).

S. Chang, G. Kribs, D. Tucker-Smith and N. Weiner, Phys. Rev. D 79, 043513 (2009)

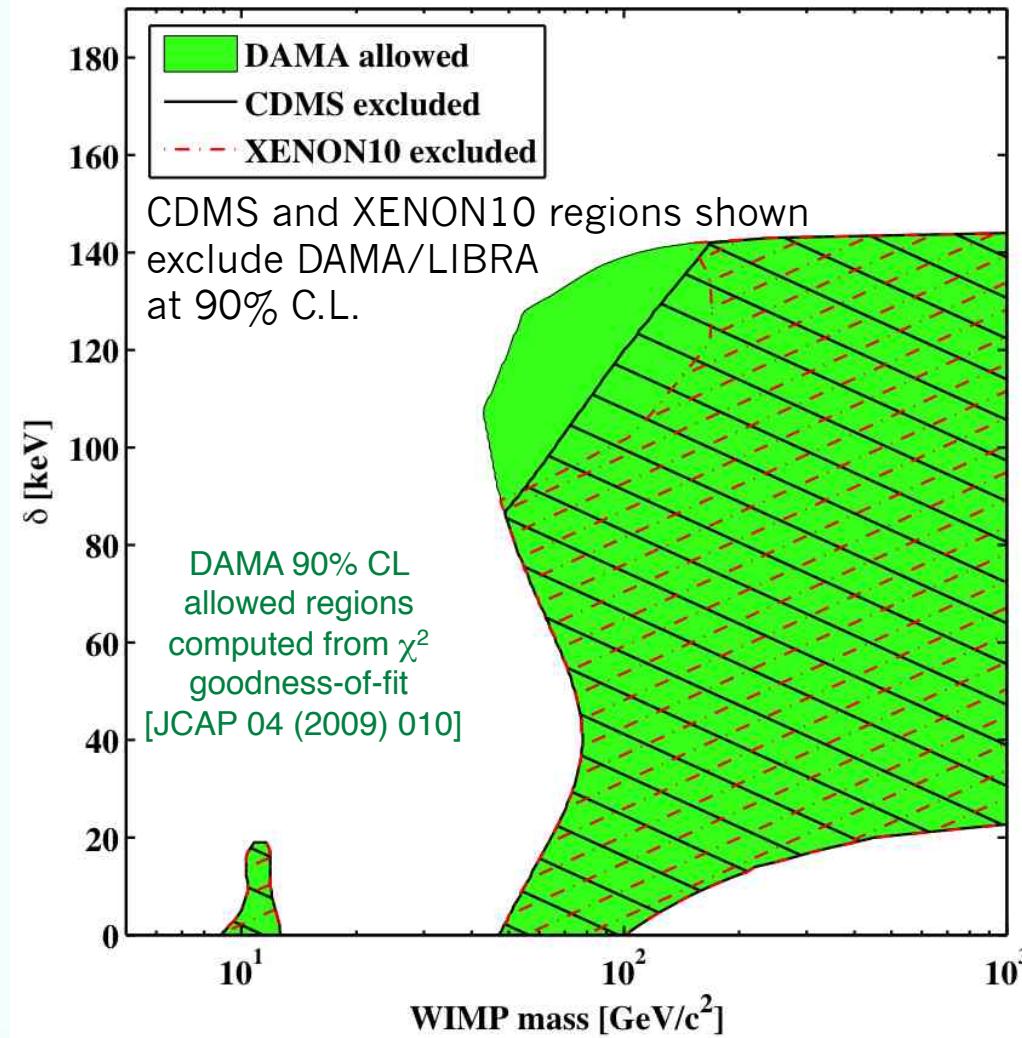
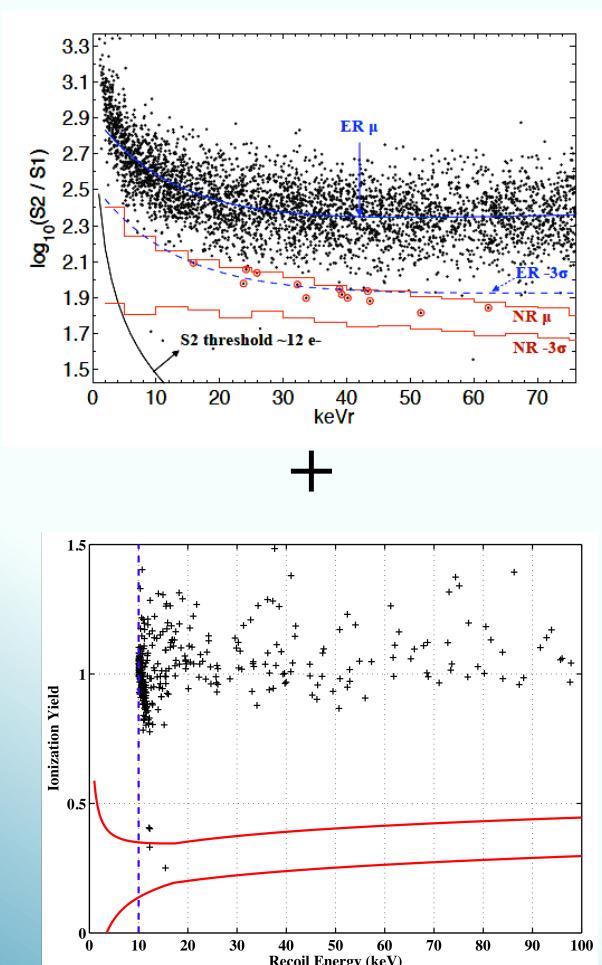
## Example plots from XENON10 *Phys. Rev. D 80, 115005 (2009)*



Scan over the range of allowed  $\delta$ ,  $m_\chi$

## Inelastic Dark Matter: $\chi + N \rightarrow \chi^* + N$ with mass difference $\delta$

This disfavors all DAMA/LIBRA allowed region except for WIMPs of mass  $\sim 100$  GeV with  $\delta \sim 80\text{-}140$  keV



# Cryogenic Techniques at mK: Future

**CDMS → SuperCDMS Soudan (15 kg, 2010)**

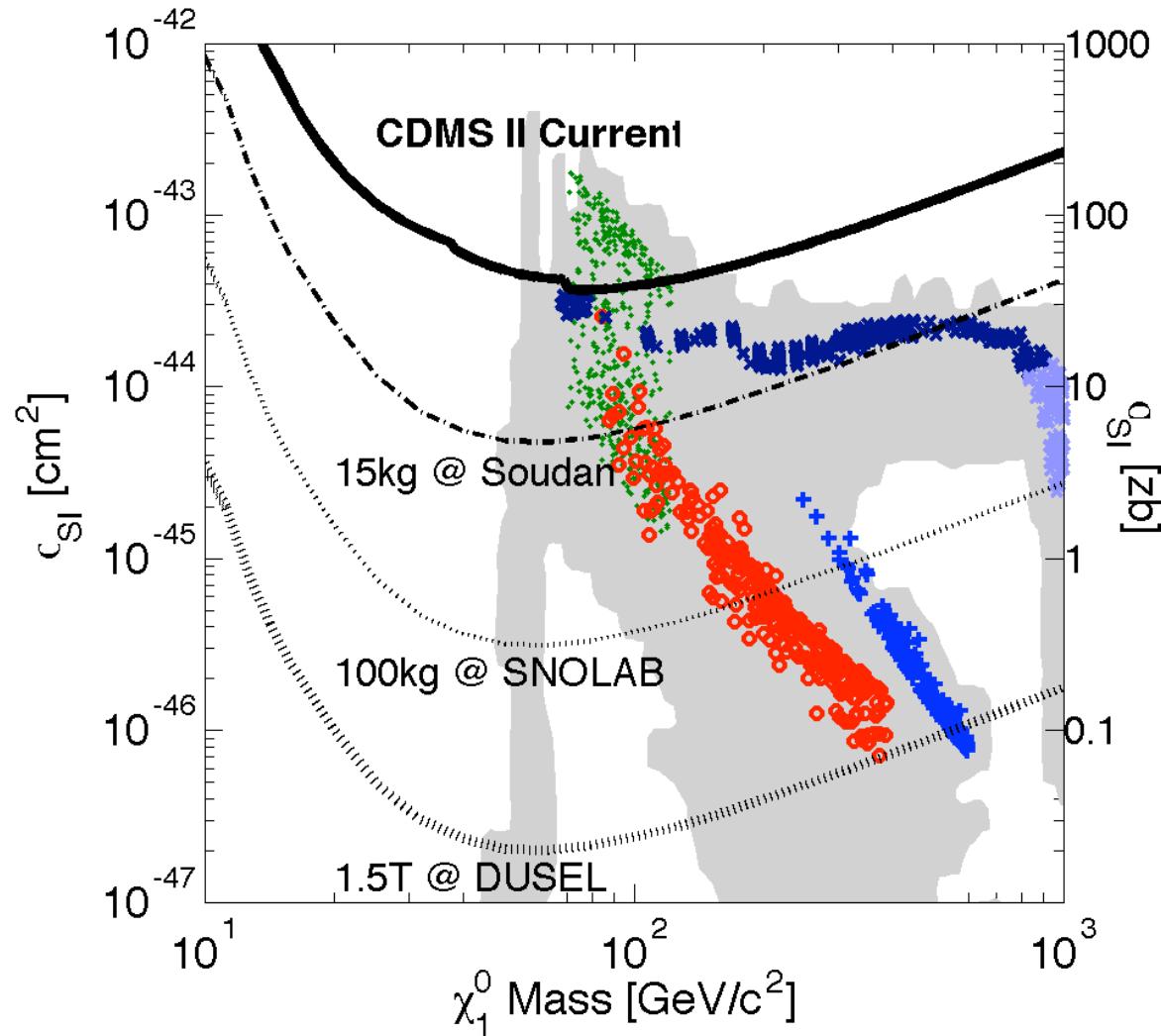
**→ SuperCDMS SNOLab (100 kg, 2012)**

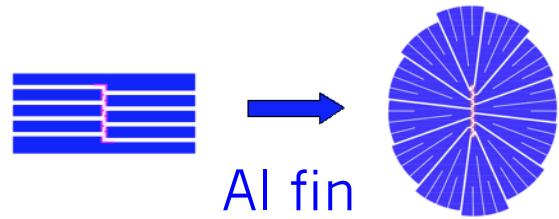
Cleaner and Deeper, SuperCDMS detectors and R&D on GEODM crystals.

**→ GEODM (1.5T, DUSEL-2017)**

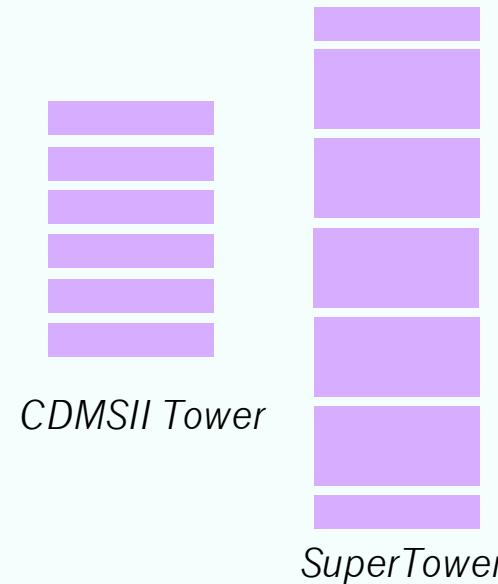
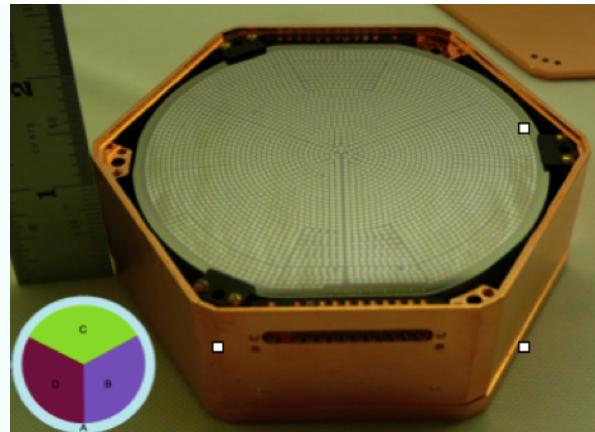
Cost-effective scaling of TES via larger crystals, multiplexing, mass production, cryogen-free fridge

# Sensitivity Reach

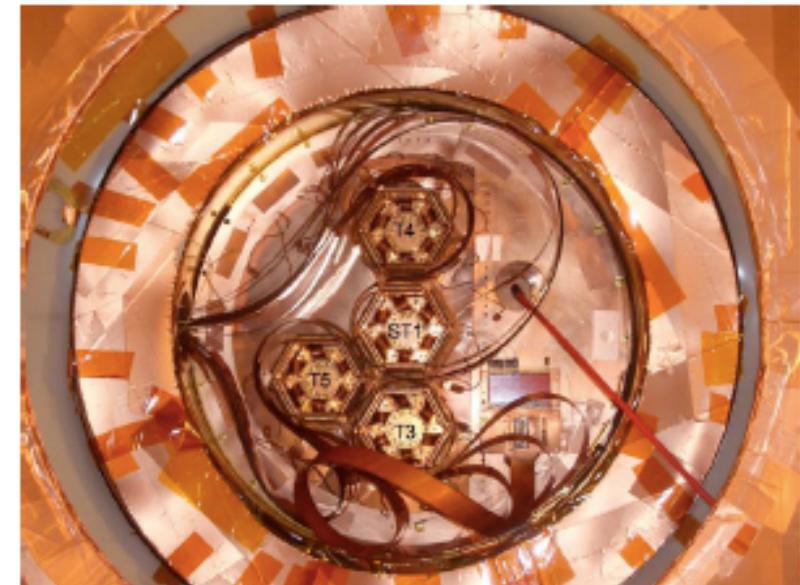




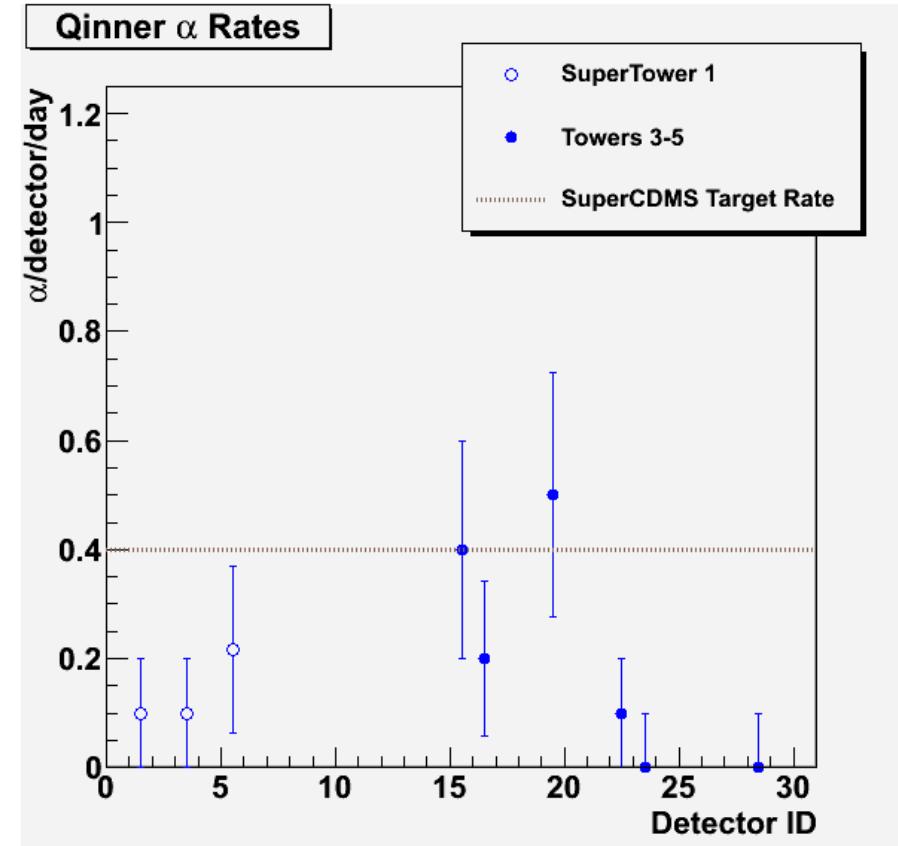
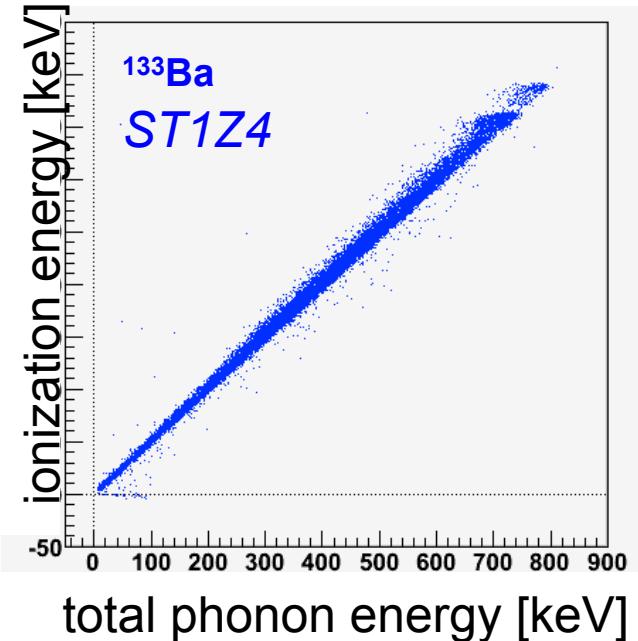
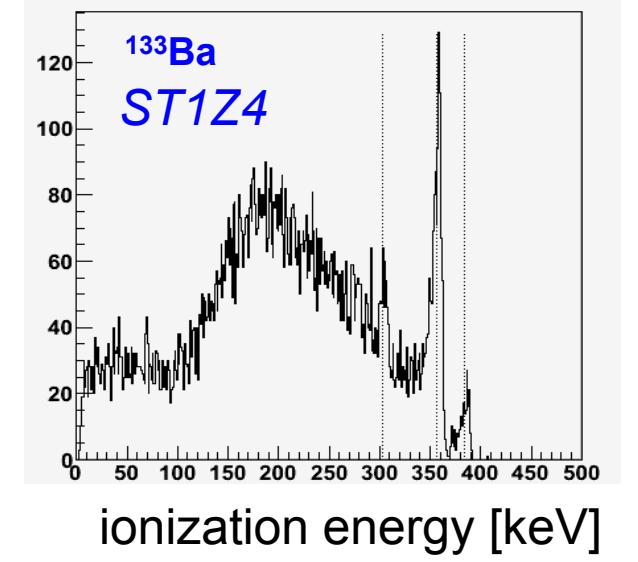
## SuperCDMS underway



15 kg of Ge at Soudan in 5 SuperTowers  
2.5X thicker (1-inch) Ge  
“endcap” Ge veto detectors  
new Al fin pattern  
new channel configuration



# SuperTower1 Performance

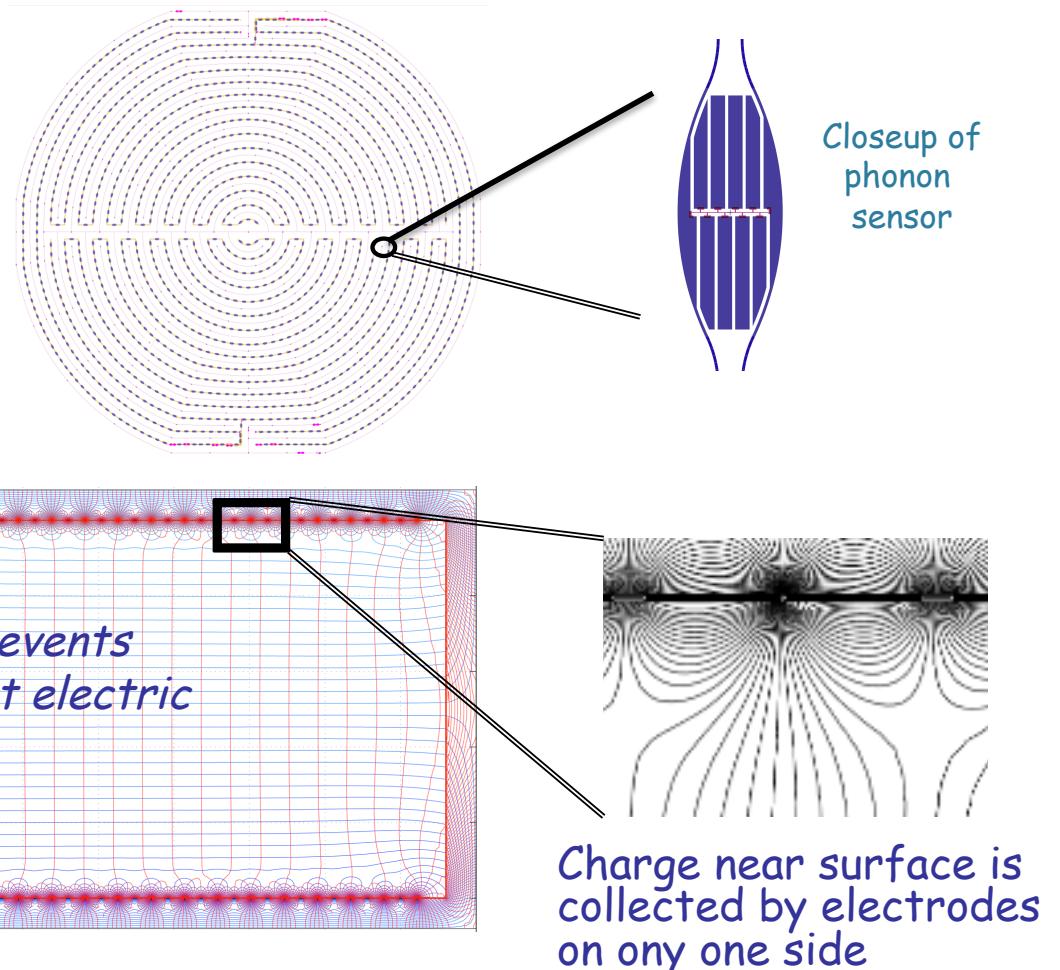


*Backgrounds from Rn daughters lower than targeted goal*

# Even better detectors = iZIPs

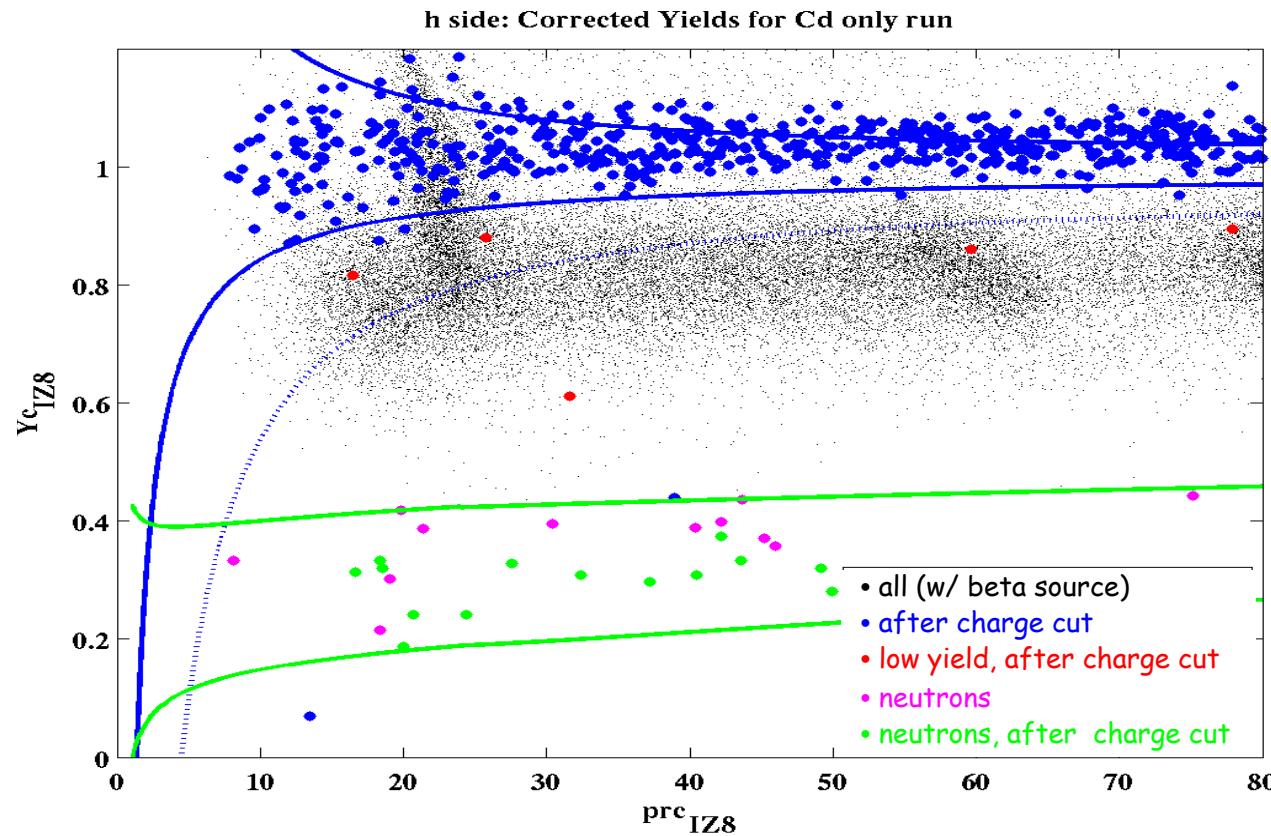
## *Interleaved charge and phonon channels*

- first demonstration by CDMS in 2005 - NIM A559 (2006)
- EDELWEISS characterization of bkg rejection - 0905.0753
- CDMS characterization of bkg rejection - July 2009

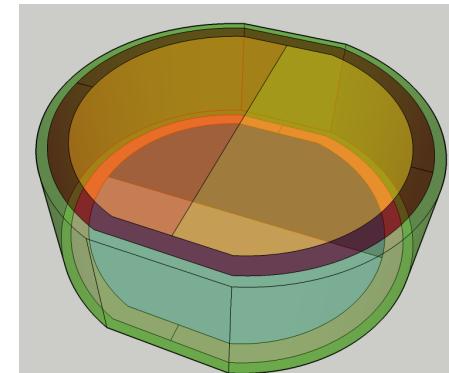


# iZip Surface Event Rejection

1/3000 rejection of surface events in NR band based only on charge collection



- roughly X10 better than CDMS-II style detectors !
- efficiency for neutrons passing charge cut is ~55%



bonus: phonon sensors on both sides provides additional depth information



Priscilla Cushman

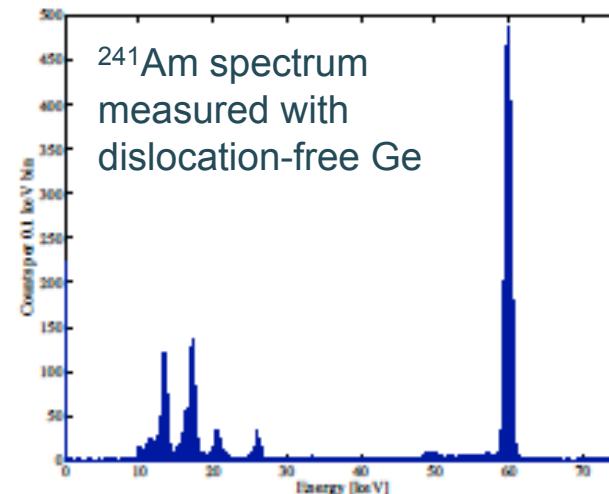
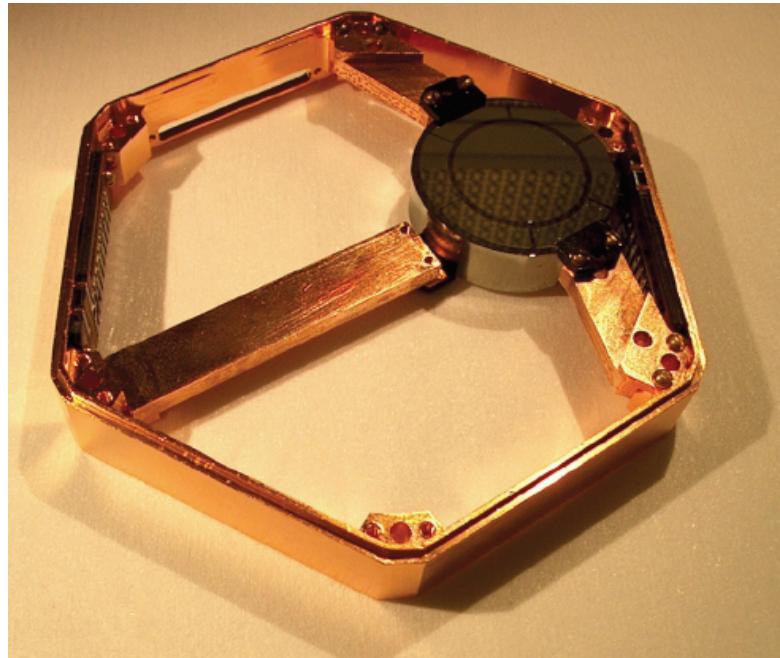
# GEODM Detectors

## large and cheaply mass-produced by industry

Why dislocation free?

*dislocation-free Ge is available in larger diameters than “detector-grade”*

CDMS is investigating possibilities for 6-inch diameter or larger substrates



UCB TF demonstration of ionization collection with dislocation-free Ge crystal

## Wired Magazine got it right last year

“The discovery of dark matter will not be a eureka moment. It will almost certainly start off as a contentious, tentative sighting that scientists argue about for years.”

Let There Be Light! by Hazel Muir - 04 August 2009

[http://www.wired.co.uk/wired-magazine/archive/2009/09/  
features/let-there-be-light!-the-search-for-dark-matter.aspx](http://www.wired.co.uk/wired-magazine/archive/2009/09/features/let-there-be-light!-the-search-for-dark-matter.aspx)

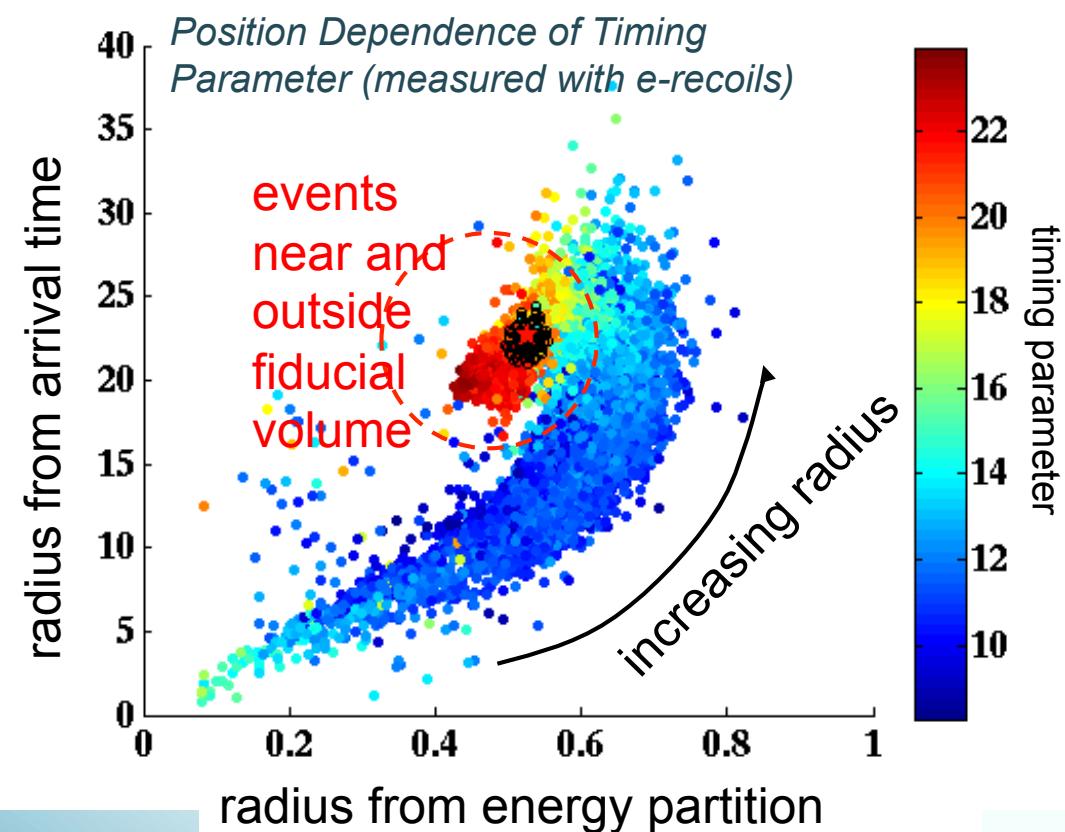
# CDMS in Real Life



# Phonon Position Correction

Timing and energy response vary across the detector

Construct a lookup table from  $^{133}\text{Ba}$  data to correct the variation



## 2009 Improvement:

Include events just outside the fiducial volume to better correct events at high radius.

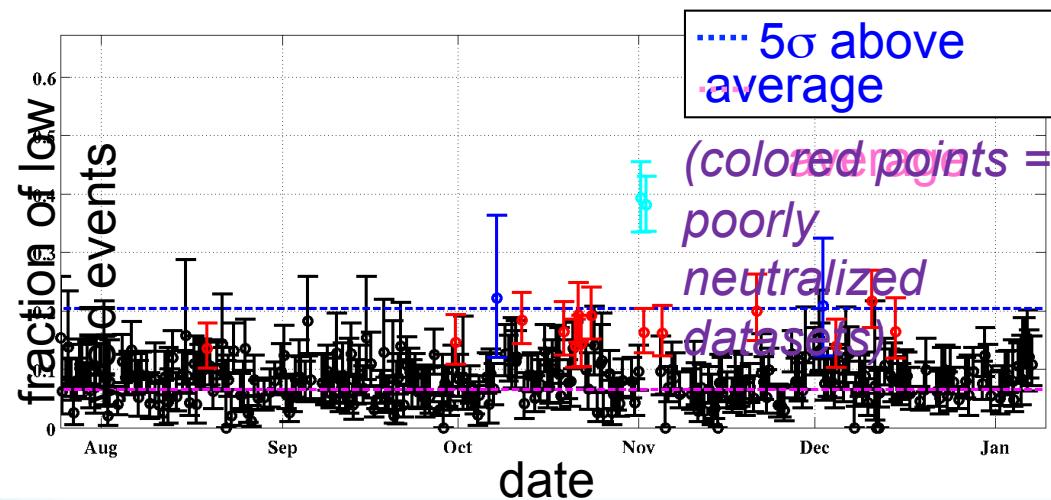
→ Significantly reduces timing outliers (we cut on the tails)

Neither partition nor arrival time provide a unique measurement of position at high radius. Together, they unfold the degeneracy.

# Data Quality Monitoring

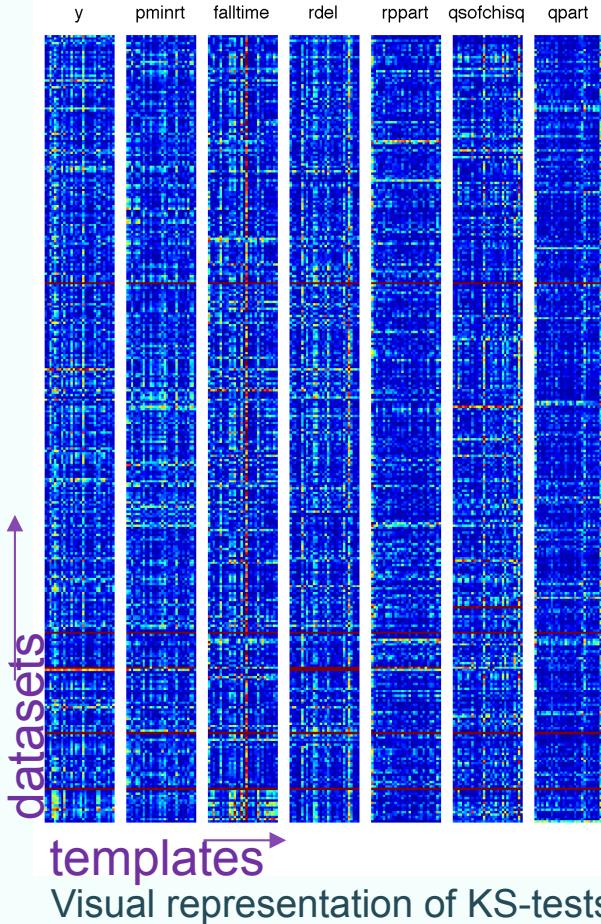
sounds mundane, but its important!

*Regular flashing with LED's "neutralizes" ion trapping centers.*



Data quality checks ensure the data was taken during good periods of neutralization.

*checking data consistency against 7 reconstructed parameters*



# Surface Event "Leakage" (3 ways)

3 independent methods to estimate the number of expected surface events

## CDMS Vocabulary

### Lesson:

SS = single scatter event

MS = multiple scatter in adjacent detector

NR = event within  $2\sigma$  nuclear-recoil band

WB = low yield events surrounding nuclear-recoil band

$f$  = fraction of events passing surface-event rejection cut

## METHOD 1

( $f$  - from WIMP search dataset)

$$\text{leakage}_1 = N_{\text{NR,SS}} * f_{\text{NR,MS}}$$

## METHOD 2

( $f$  - from WIMP search dataset)

$$\text{leakage}_2 = N_{\text{NR,SS}} * f_{\text{WB,MS}}(\text{face}, E_{\text{recoil}})$$

## METHOD 3

( $f$  - from Ba dataset)

$$\text{leakage}_3 = N_{\text{NR,SS}} * f_{\text{NR+WB,MS}}(\text{face}, E_{\text{recoil}})$$

# Surface Event Leakage Estimate

*Method 1: least systematic uncertainty, but poor statistics and no estimate for endcap detectors*

$$\text{leakage}_1 = 0.5 \pm 0.3 \text{ (stat.)}$$

*Method 2: includes endcap detectors, but added systematic uncertainty and poor statistics*

$$\text{leakage}_2 = 0.8 \pm 0.6 \text{ (stat.)}$$

*Method 3: best statistical power, but most systematic uncertainty*

$$\text{leakage}_3 = 0.5 \pm 0.1 \text{ (stat.)}$$

$$\text{leakage}_{\text{combined}} = 0.6 \pm 0.1 \text{ (stat.)}$$

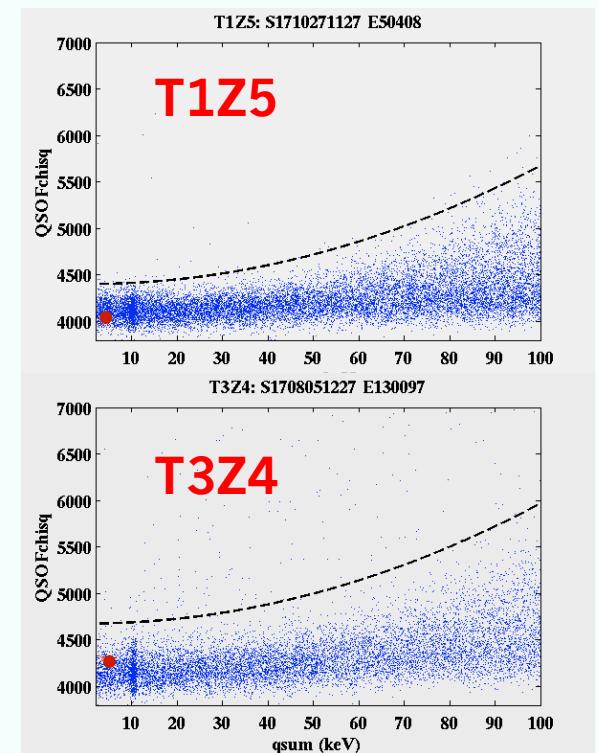
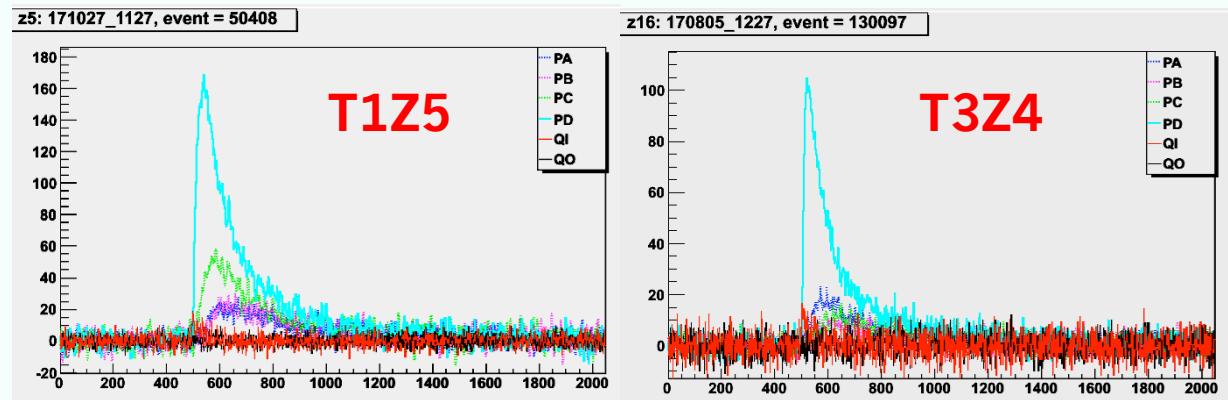
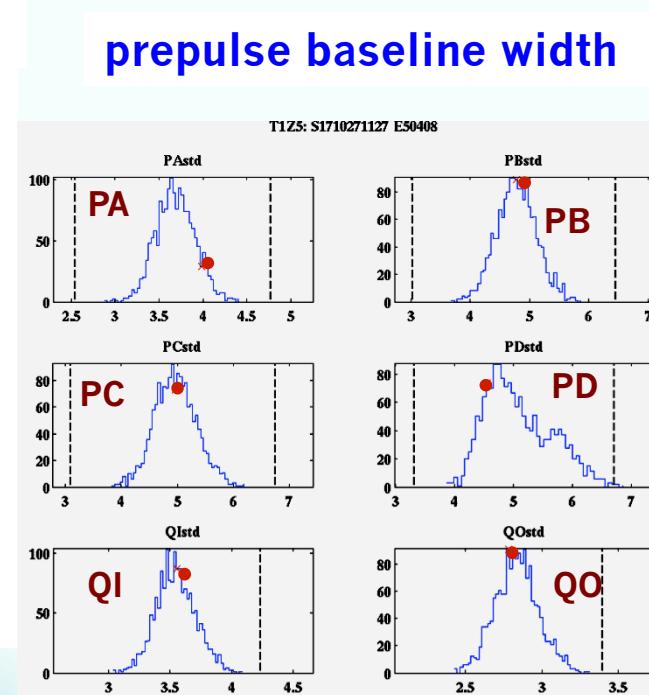
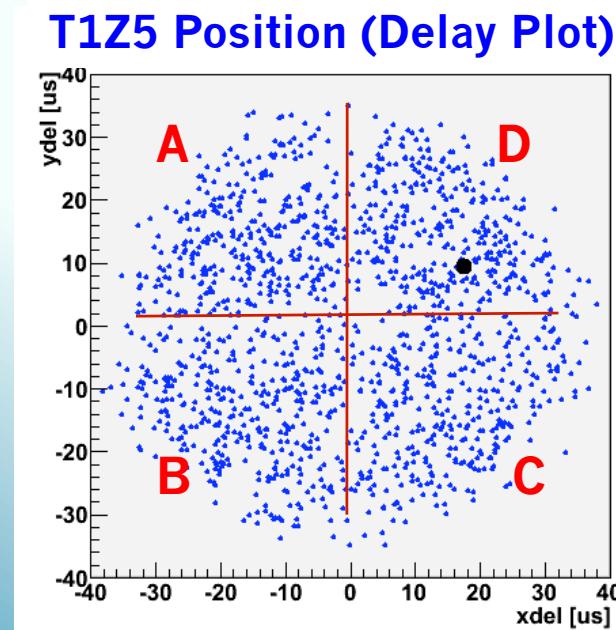
# Check to make sure these are good events

## Check the event itself

Individual Pulses and fits

Noise baseline

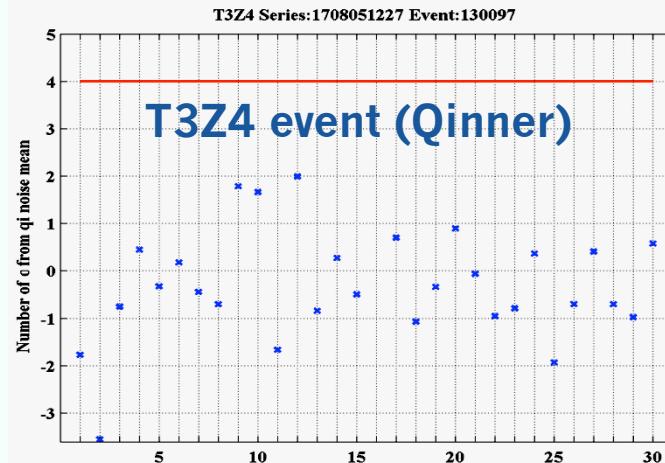
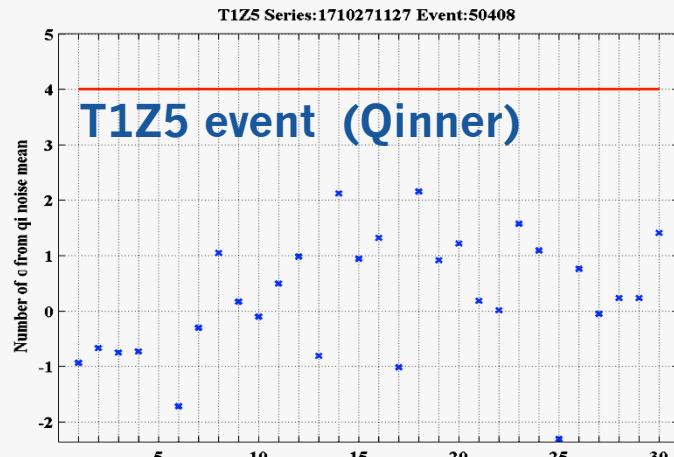
All analysis parameters  
(e.g. position, energy, etc)



# Check to make sure these are good events

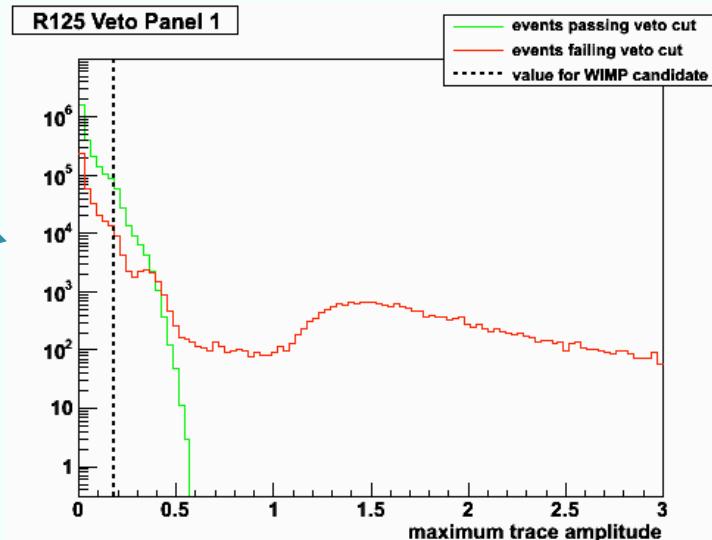
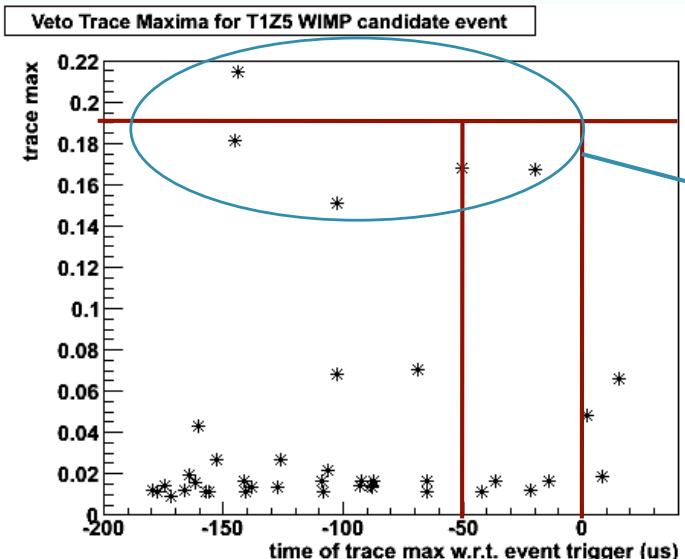
Check Other Detectors in same event ( $Q_i$ ,  $Q_o$ ,  $P_{A-D}$ )

How many sigma away from baseline noise? → True Single Events



Only typical noise in Veto Panel

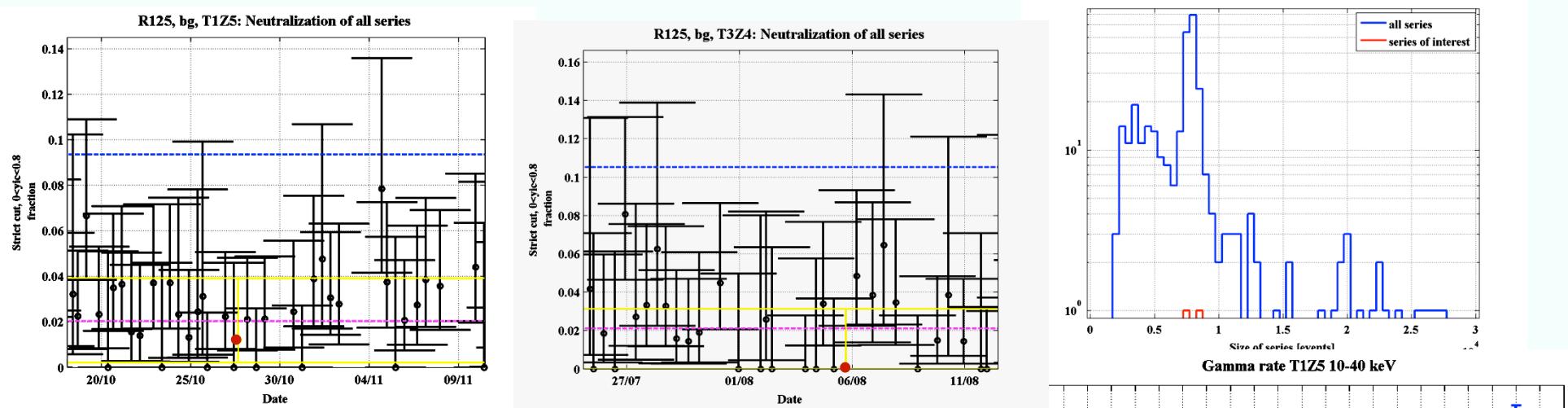
→ True Anti-Coincident Event



# Check to make sure these are good events

## Check run series in which event occurs

Neutralization: Fraction of low-yield events & size of run series. **Typical**

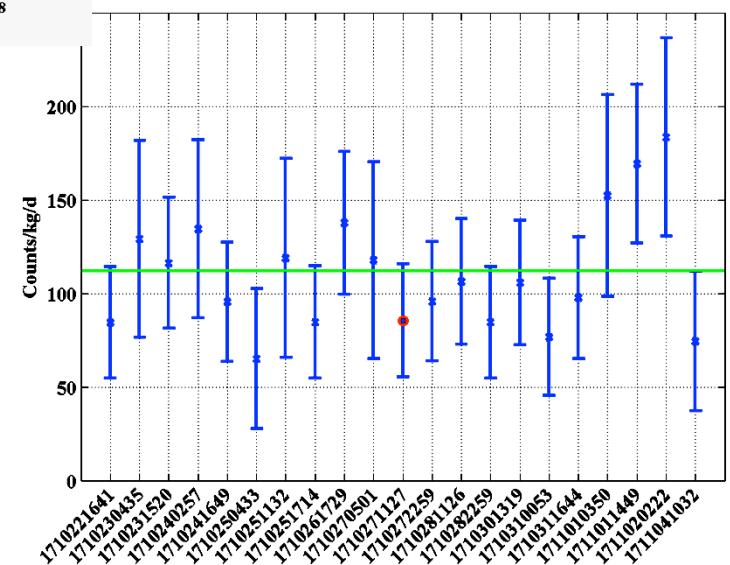


Check Kolmogorov-Smirnov tests for series.

**Valid, good scores**

EM Rates (gamma and beta bands)

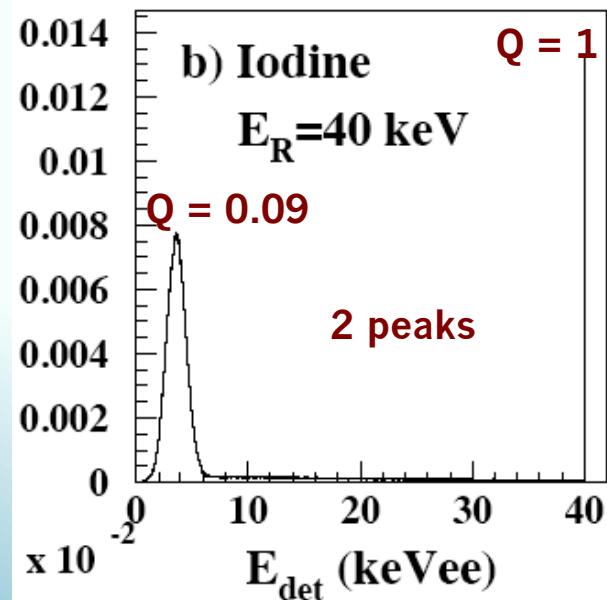
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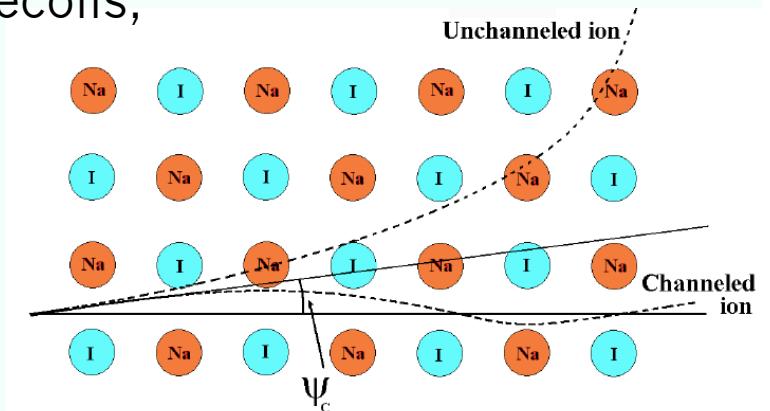
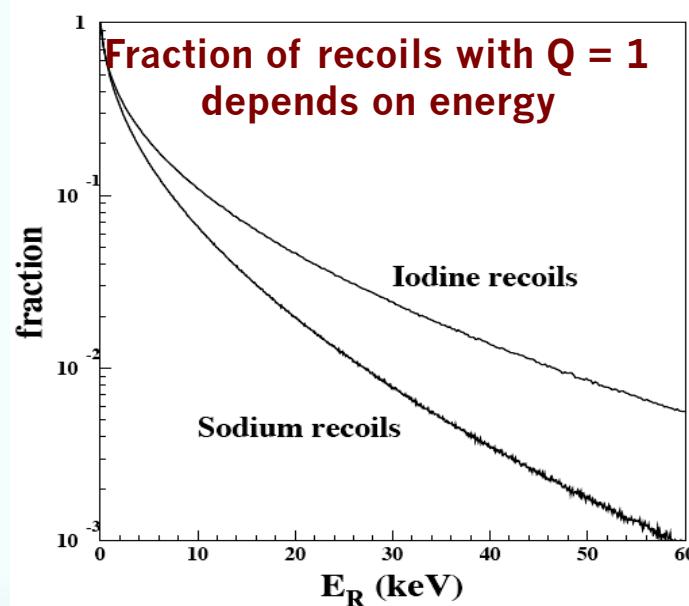
# DAMA Not Compatible with other experiments: *Try Channeling*

$Q$  (light yield) = 0.09 for I recoils and 0.3 for Na recoils,

but  $Q = 1$  if the ion (recoiling neutron) travels along lattice axis. Energy deposition is found in the ER channel



arXiv:0710.0288 (astro-ph)



DAMA gets extra sensitivity to low  $E$  and NR cuts eliminate signal.

# Scattering Cross Sections

## *Spin Independent vs Spin Dependent*

In general, a Lorentz invariant Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}$  has S, P, V, A interactions.

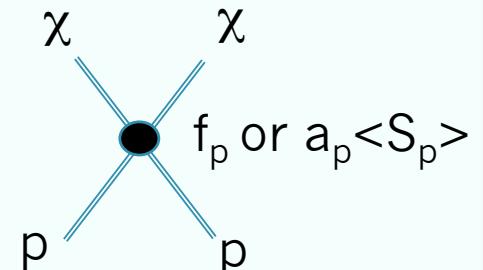
The WIMPs can be a fermion or a boson or a scalar particle

However, galactic WIMPs are non-relativistic → divide into two categories

- (a)  $\mathcal{L}_{S+V}$ : Scalar interaction as  $\mu A^2$   
 ( large  $\lambda_{dB}$  → coherent interaction )

$$\sigma_{SI} = \frac{m_N^2}{4\pi(m_\chi + m_N)^2} [Zf_p + (A - Z)f_n]^2$$

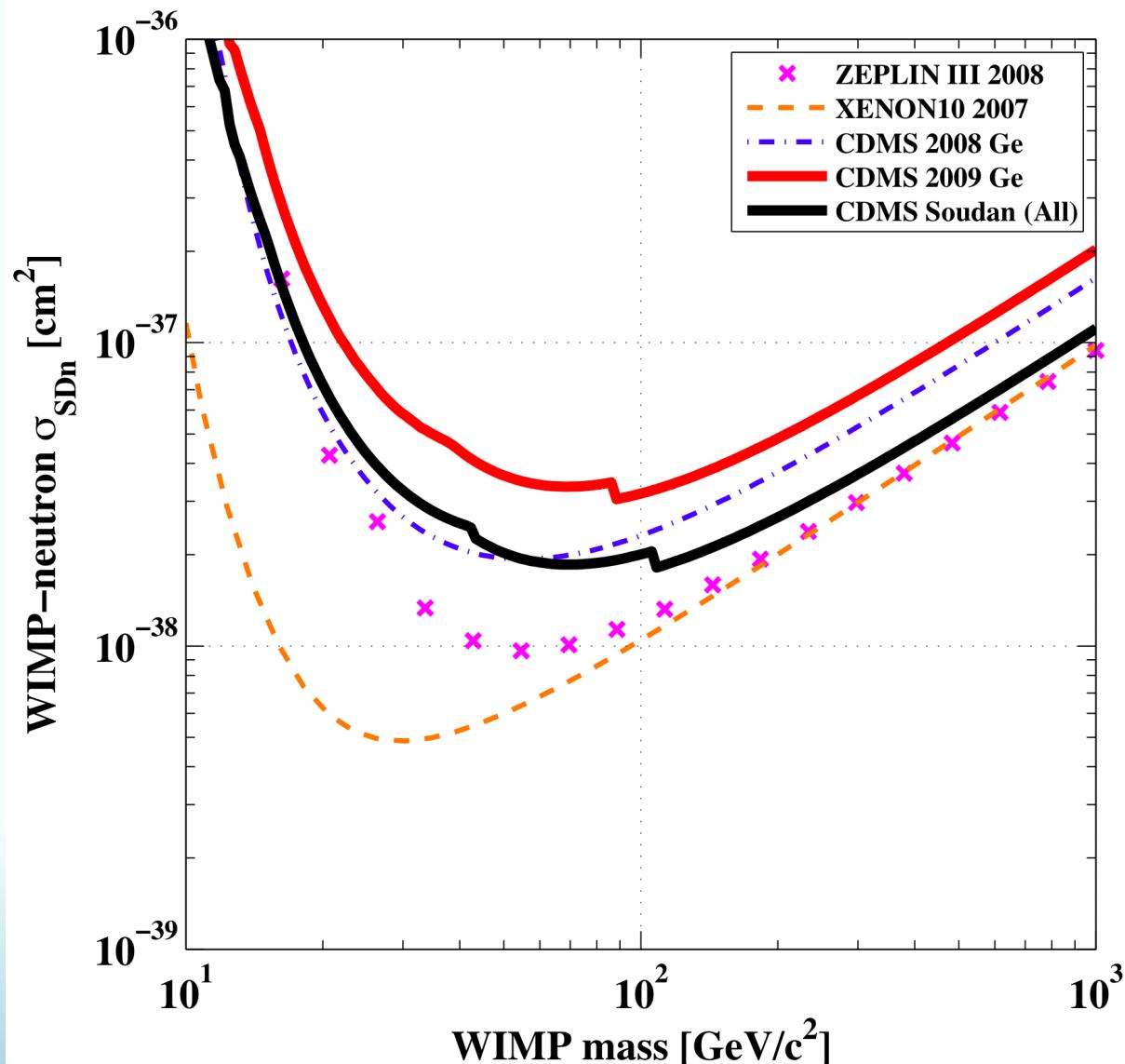
f and a are effective couplings and  $\langle S \rangle$  gives the spin content



- (b)  $\mathcal{L}_A$  Spin-spin interaction couples to net nuclear spin  $J_N$

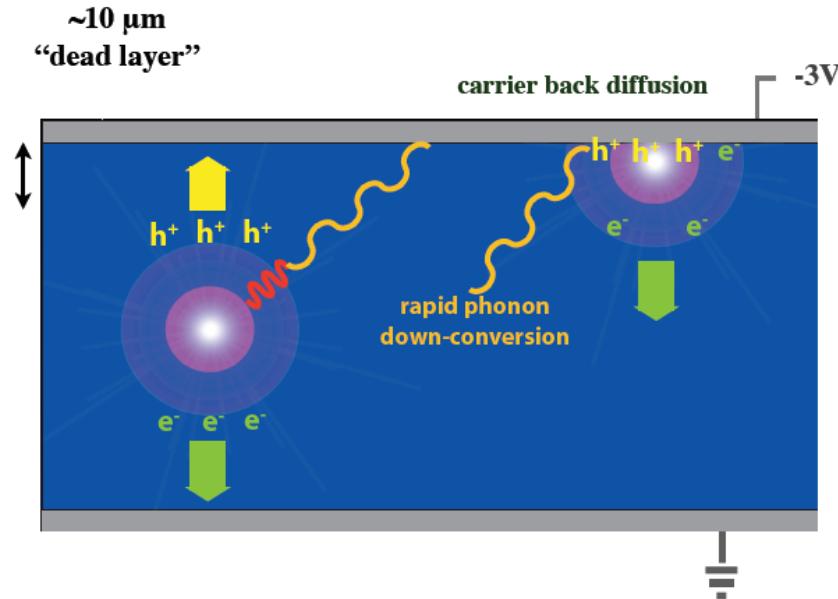
$$\sigma_{SD} = \frac{32}{\pi} G_F^2 \frac{m_\chi^2 m_N^2}{(m_\chi + m_N)^2} \frac{J_N + 1}{J_N} \left( a_p \langle S_p \rangle + a_n \langle S_n \rangle \right)^2$$

# Spin Dependent Limit (90% CL)

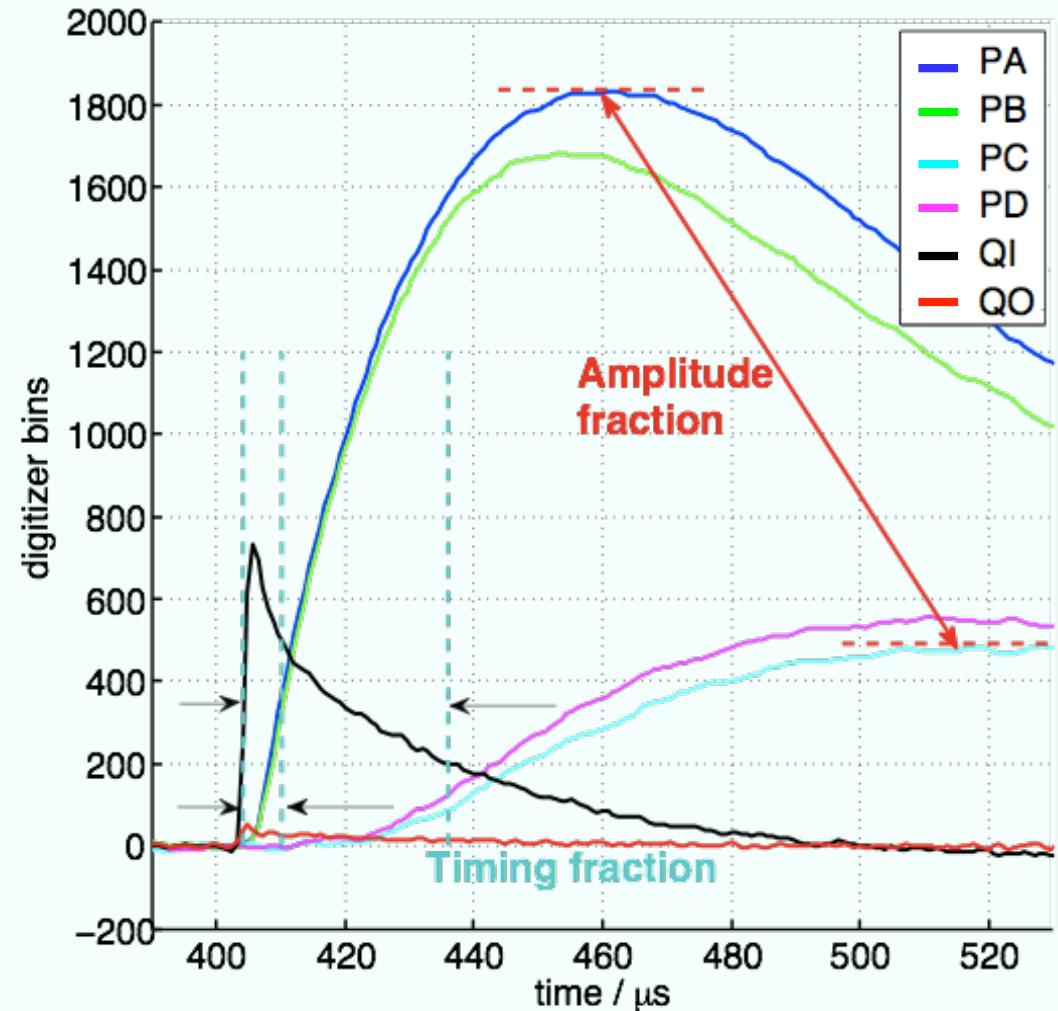


# Z-Position Information

## Other timing parameters have been explored

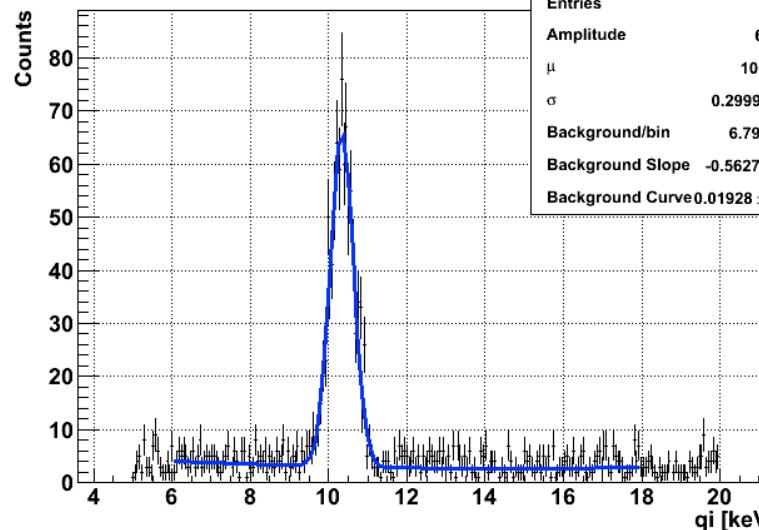


Ratio of Primary/Opposite channel  
both in Amplitude and Timing

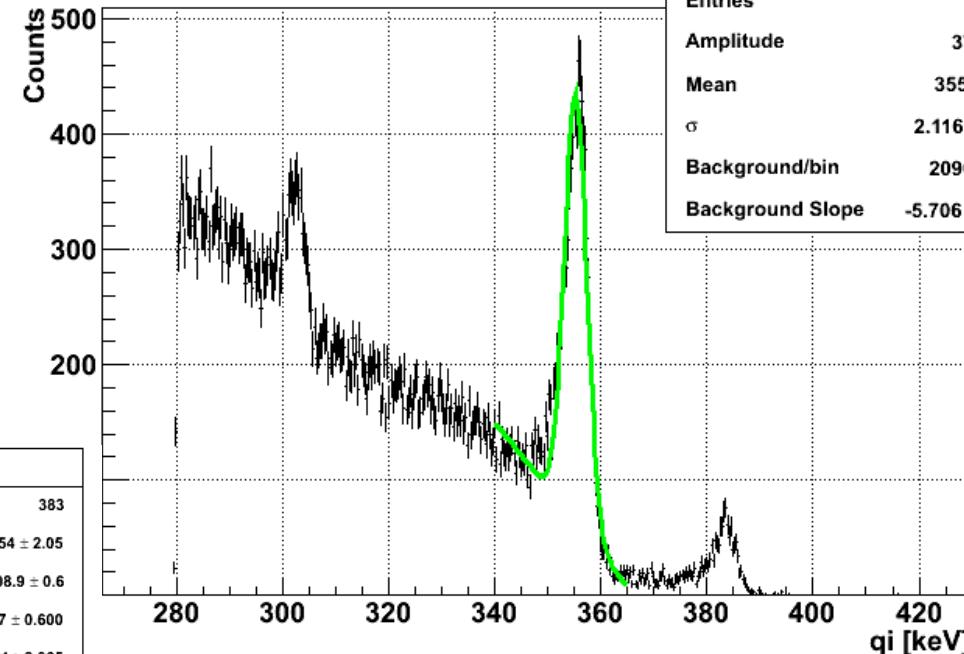


# Energy Resolution from current data

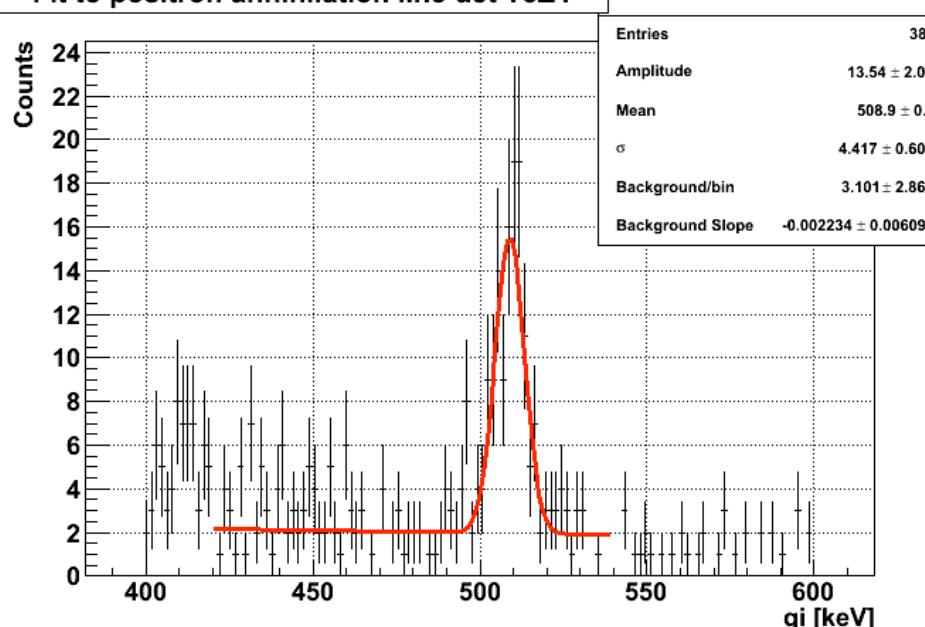
Fit to 10.4 Ge activation line det T3Z4



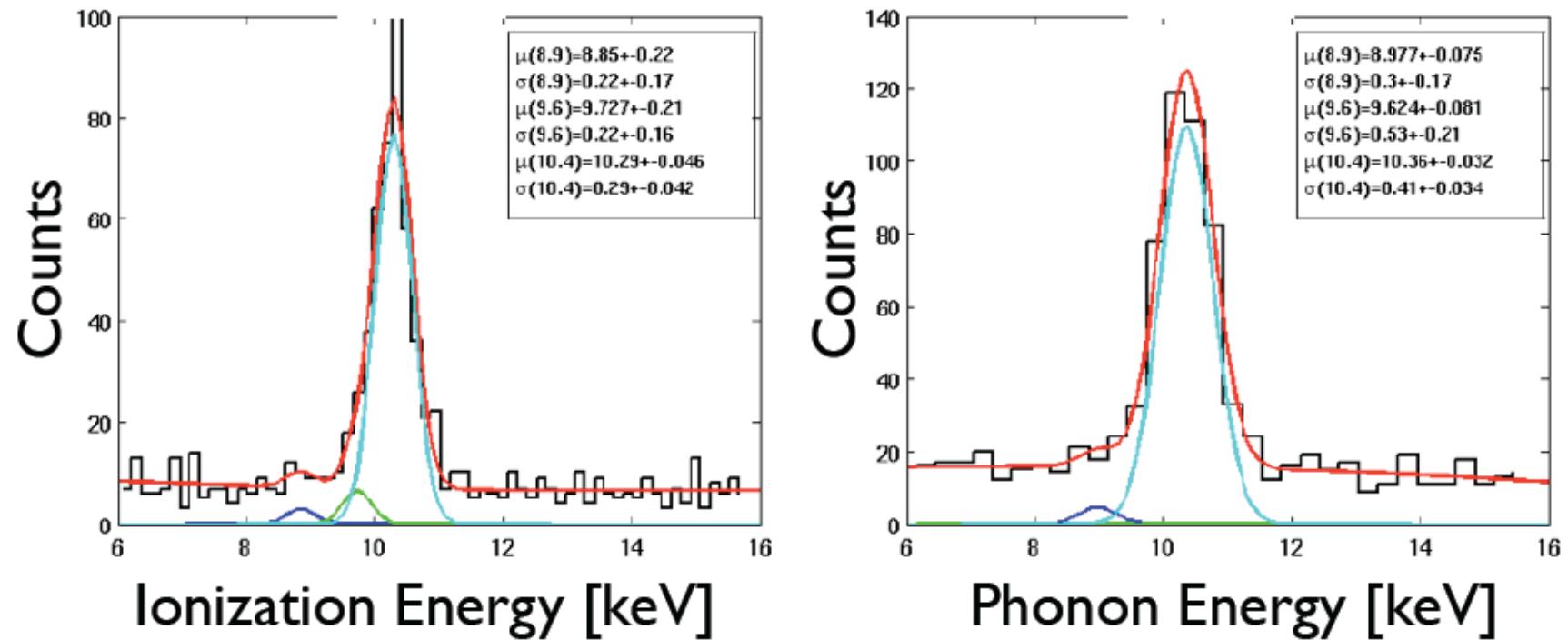
Fit to barium calibration line det T3Z4



Fit to positron annihilation line det T3Z4



# Energy Resolution



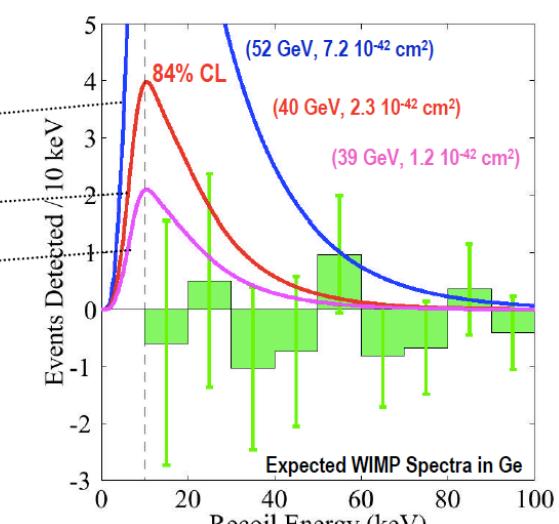
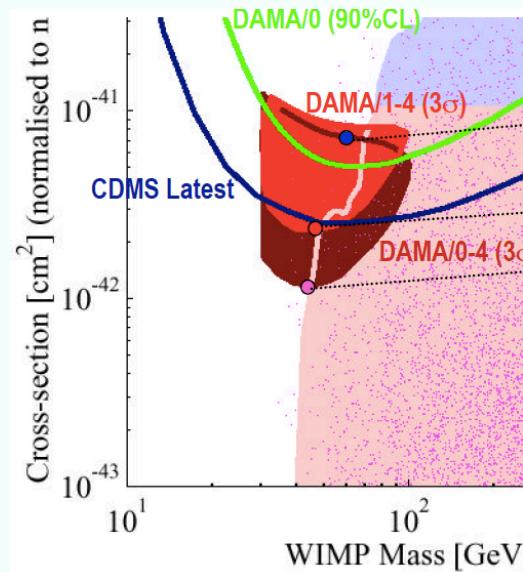
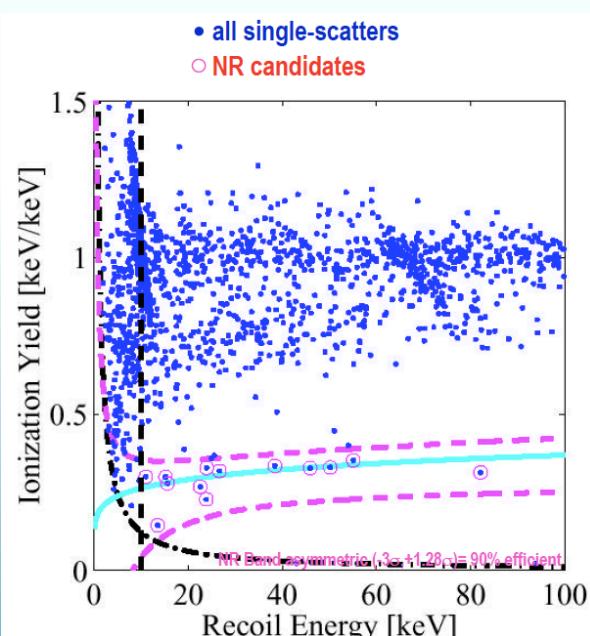
Fits of the lines 10.36 keV, 8.9 keV and 9.7 keV in the phonon and ionization channels for a single detector.

# A Brief History of CDMS: Late 90's

**1997 DAMA signal:** consistent with HDMS but surprisingly high

## Run at Stanford (17 mwe)

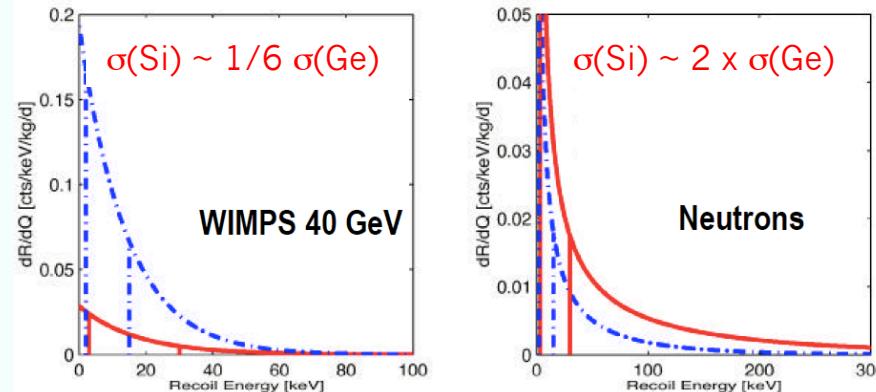
- ★ 10.6 kg-d with four 165 g Ge BLIP (thermal phonon calorimetry)  
13 NR singles, all neutrons: MC, right # of multiples
- ★ 1.6 kg-d with 100 g Silicon ZIP (TES readout of athermal phonons)



CDMS events after subtraction of measured neutron background seen at SUF

# A Brief History of CDMS: early 2000's

Still think we will see a signal soon, so build both Si and Ge ZIPs  
to distinguish neutrons from WIMPs

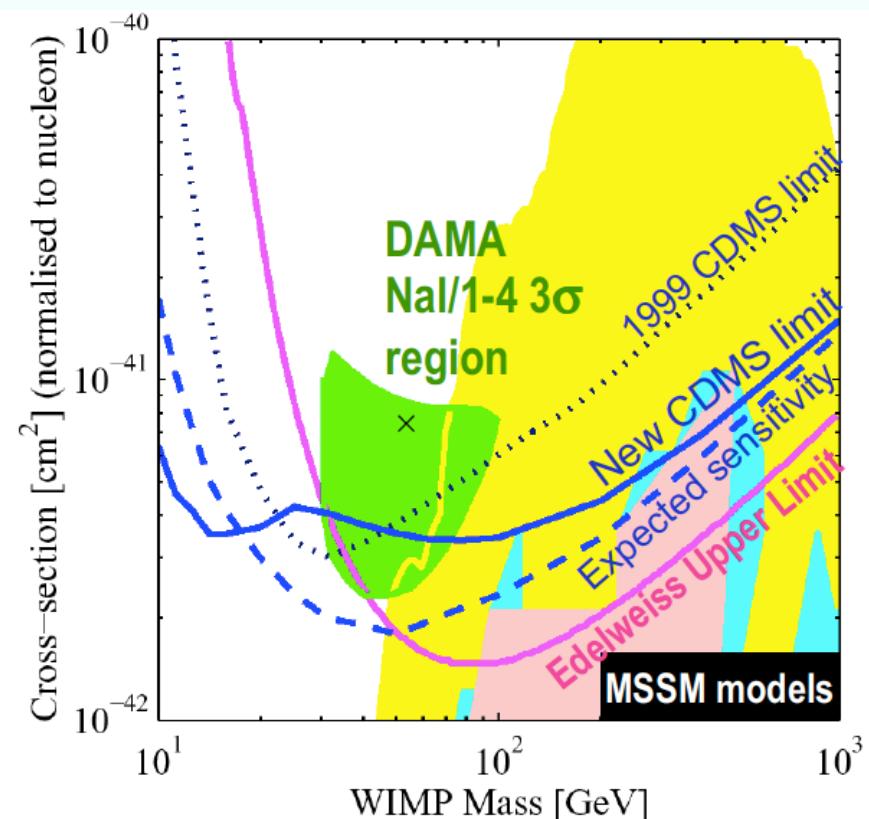


Run a “tower” of 6 ZIPs (CDMS II)  
Stanford, neutron bkgd

The competition (Edelweiss) with  
BLIPs at a deeper site

Move tower at Soudan (2100 mwe)

Silicon means less exposure,  
but low mass WIMP sensitivity



# A Brief History of CDMS: 2004-2008

CDMS continues to add more towers

2008 Results: Zero events in 5-tower run

398 raw kg·d (121 kg·d after cuts)

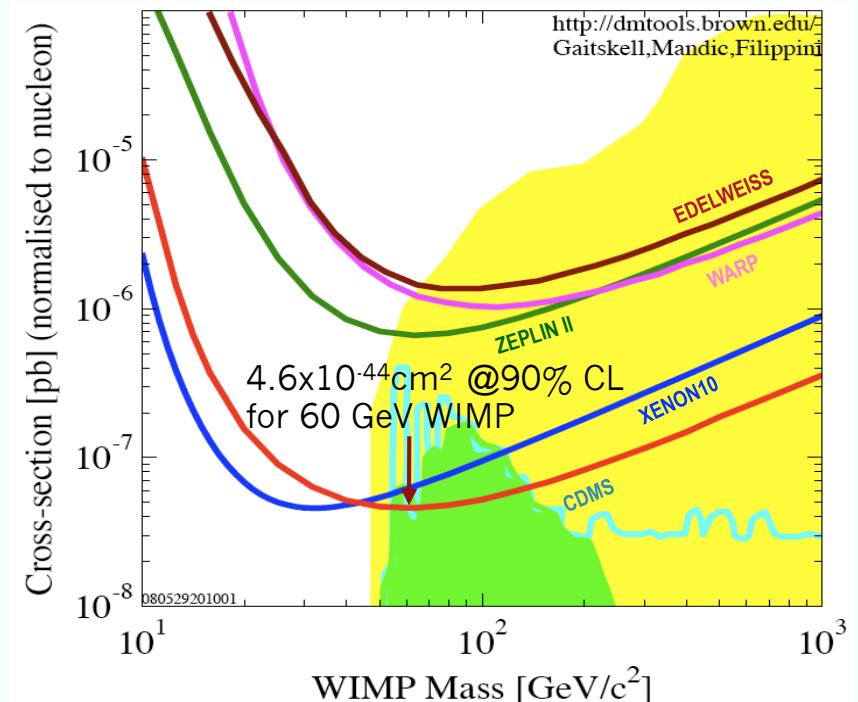
Directional Detection (DRIFT) is on  
R&D hold until someone sees a signal

Noble Liquids become “the competition”  
because scaling to huge volumes  
may be necessary

WARP, ZEPLIN, XENON, ArDM, DEAP,  
LUX, CLEAN, XMASS

Best Noble Liquid limit: Xenon10  
(a dozen NR singles are background)

DAMA/LIBRA result confirms DAMA, but interpretations now vary widely



# Indirect Detection of WIMPs: How

*WIMP pair annihilation:* the same  $\sigma_A$  used to determine relic density also fixes astrophysical annihilation rate

Trap WIMPs in Sun core, only high energy  $\nu$ 's escape

Large  $\bar{c}$  detectors for  $\mu$ -tracks from CC interactions

AMANDA  $\rightarrow$  ICE CUBE (South Pole), ANTARES (also sees GC)

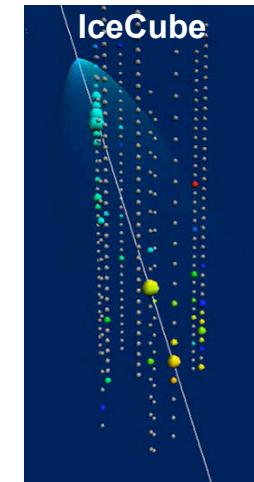
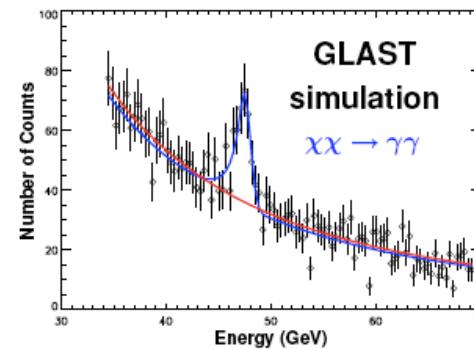
Observe gamma rays from GC

Possible gamma line

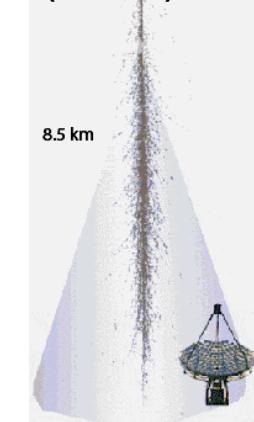
Directional gamma excess

Space-based: EGRET  $\rightarrow$  Fermi (GLAST)

Ground-based: Veritas, HESS, Cangaroo, MAGIC



Air Cerenkov  
Telescope  
(Veritas)



Find excess antimatter in cosmic rays

$e^+$  from annihilation in the neighborhood (< few kpc)

antiprotons from most of the galaxy

Synchrotron Radiation: Any  $e^+e^-$  excess + galactic B-fields

# WIMP Annihilation: *Hints*

**PAMELA** confirms HEAT positron excess (10-100 GeV)

Needs a large boost factor for DM,  
nearby pulsars might do it

**PAMELA** measures an anti-proton flux (1-100 GeV)

No “excess”

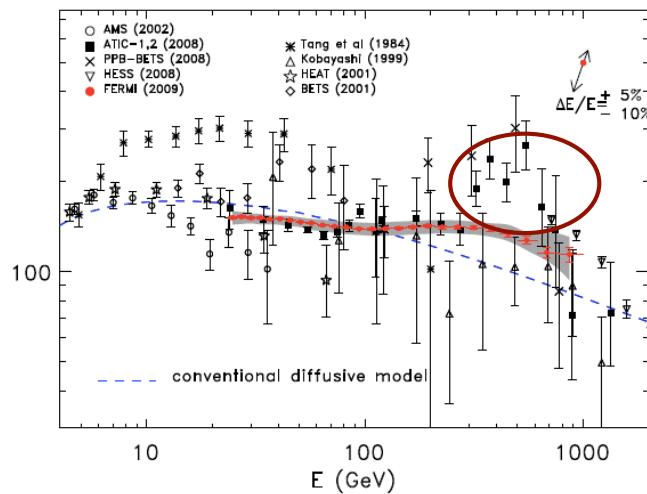
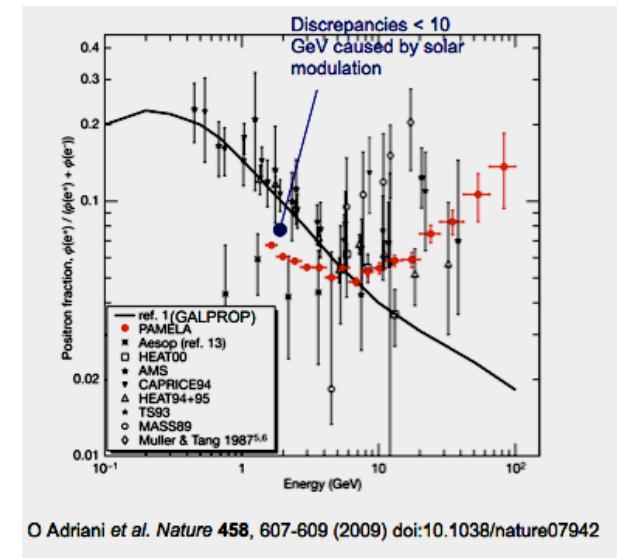
**ATIC e+e-** (300-800 GeV) excess

is NOT confirmed by Fermi

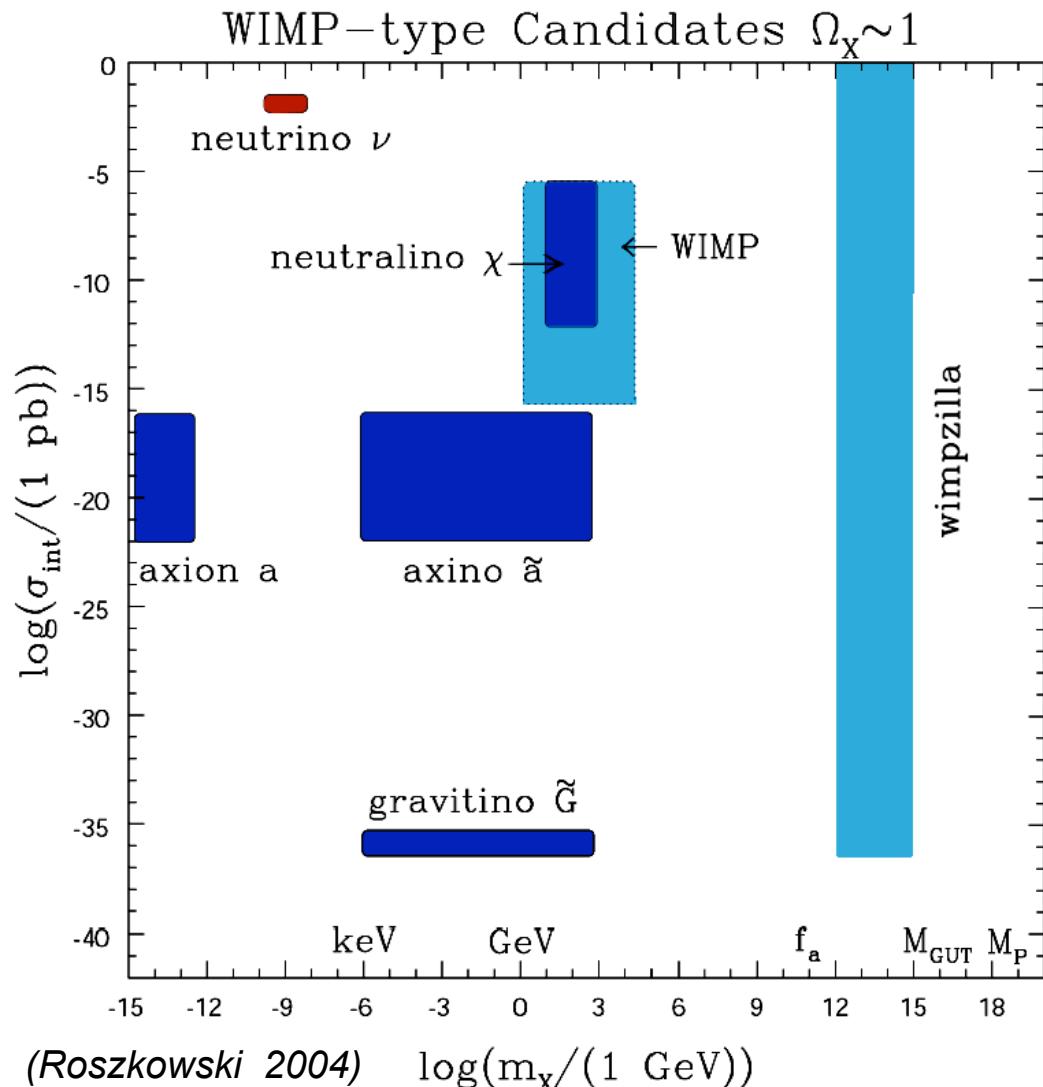
**HESS** (and others) excess TeV  $\gamma$ 's from Galactic Center  
but lots of processes could do that

**INTEGRAL 511 keV line** from galactic center  
actually off-center,  
points toward low mass X-ray binaries

**WMAP “haze”** (harder than expected GC spectrum  
interpreted as synchrotron radiation  
but not by WMAP!



# Dark Matter Candidates: $\mathcal{HUGE} \sigma - m$ space



## Standard Model Neutrinos

neutrinos exist!  
But their mass is too small

$$\Omega_\nu h^2 = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{m_i}{93 \text{ eV}} \leq 0.07$$

$\Omega_\nu h^2 < 0.007$  from CMB anisotropies,  
LSS

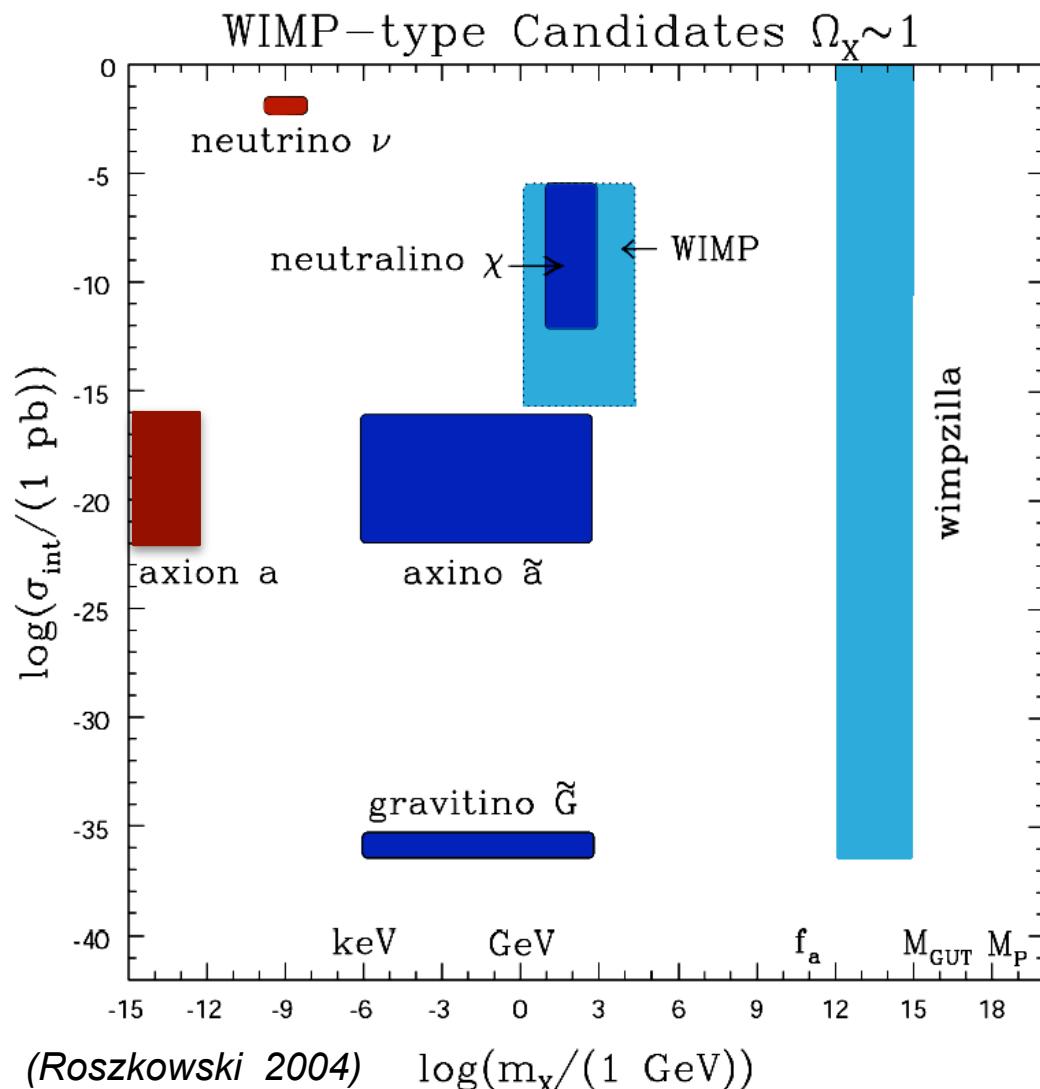
Relativistic – Hot dark matter

## Sterile ν

$m >$  few keV: abundance, decay products  
 $m >$  10 keV: WMAP re-ionization optical depth

wreaks havoc with reionization unless it occurs via decaying particles

# Dark Matter Candidates



## Axions

$m < 0.01 \text{ eV}$

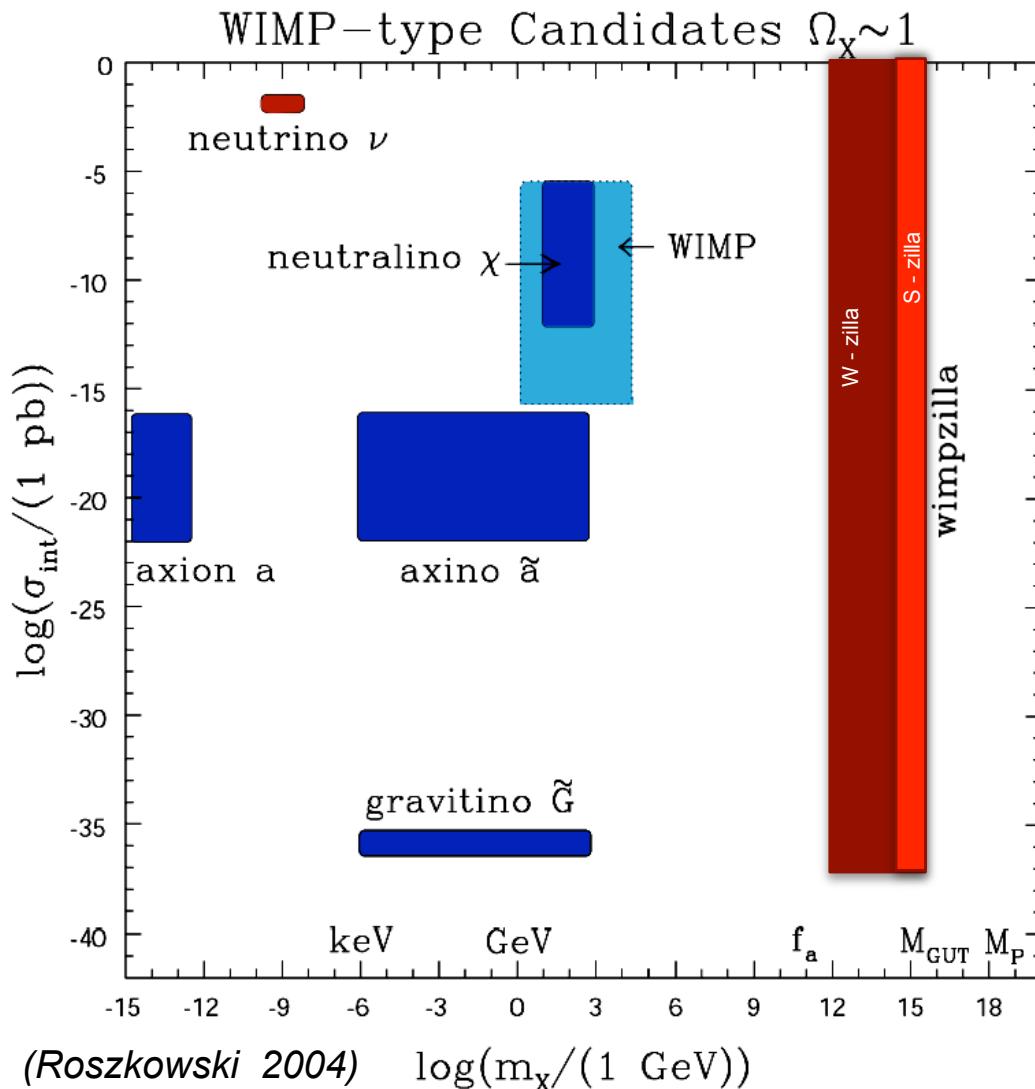
*lab searches, stellar cooling, SN 1987A*

Very weak: *not in thermal equilibrium with early universe.*

Born non-relativistic (*cold dark matter*)

Thermally produced in stars  
*strong astrophysics limits*

# Dark Matter Candidates



## Wimpzillas and Simpzillas

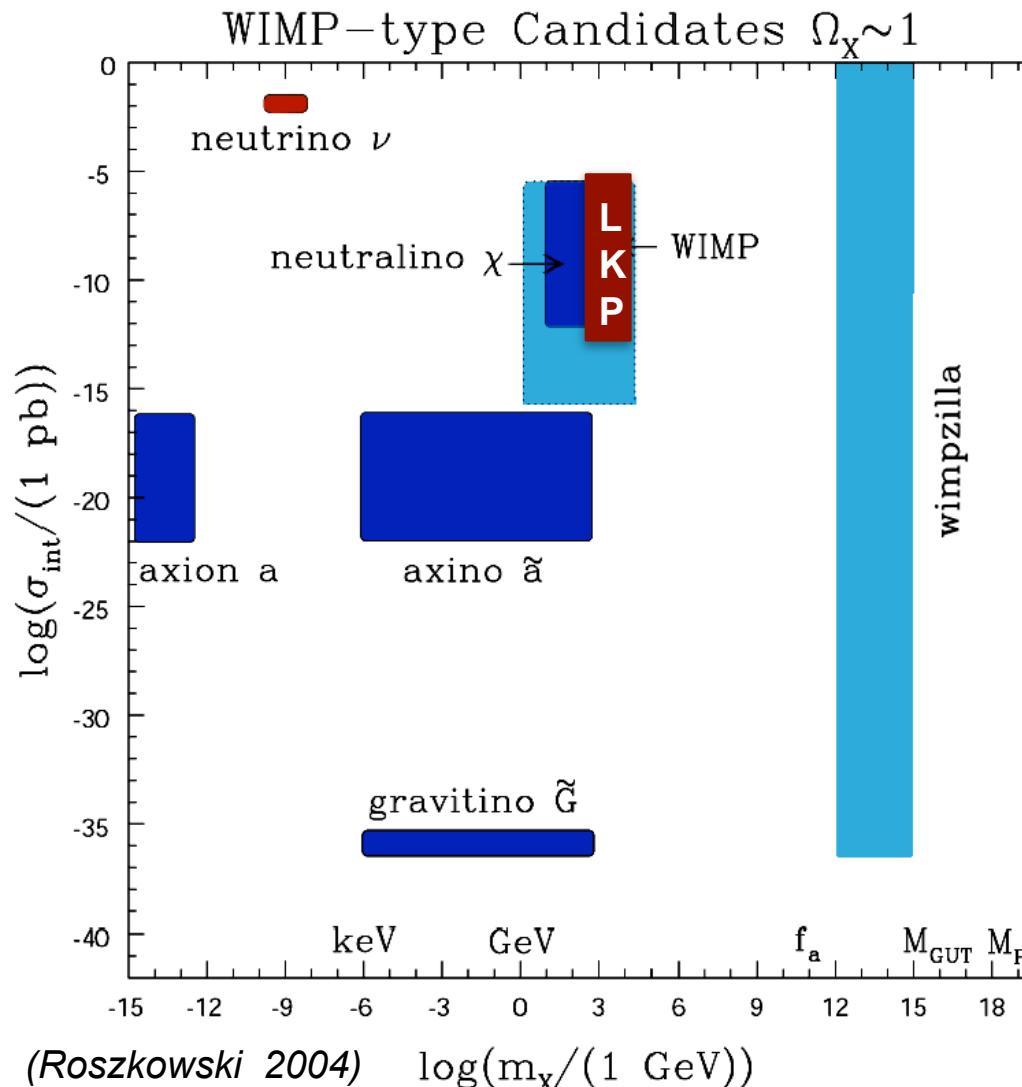
$m > 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$

Provides solution to GKZ cosmic rays

Gravitationally produced: *inflaton, GUT scale, curvature perturbation*

Avoids unitarity bound  
*no early universe thermal equilibrium*  
 $\Omega h^2$  depends on  $\sigma_{\text{production}}$  not  $\sigma_{\text{annihilation}}$

# Dark Matter Candidates



## Kaluza-Klein modes

$m \sim 400 - 1200 \text{ GeV}$  Relic Density  
 $m > 300 \text{ GeV}$  Compactification Scale  $R^{-1}$

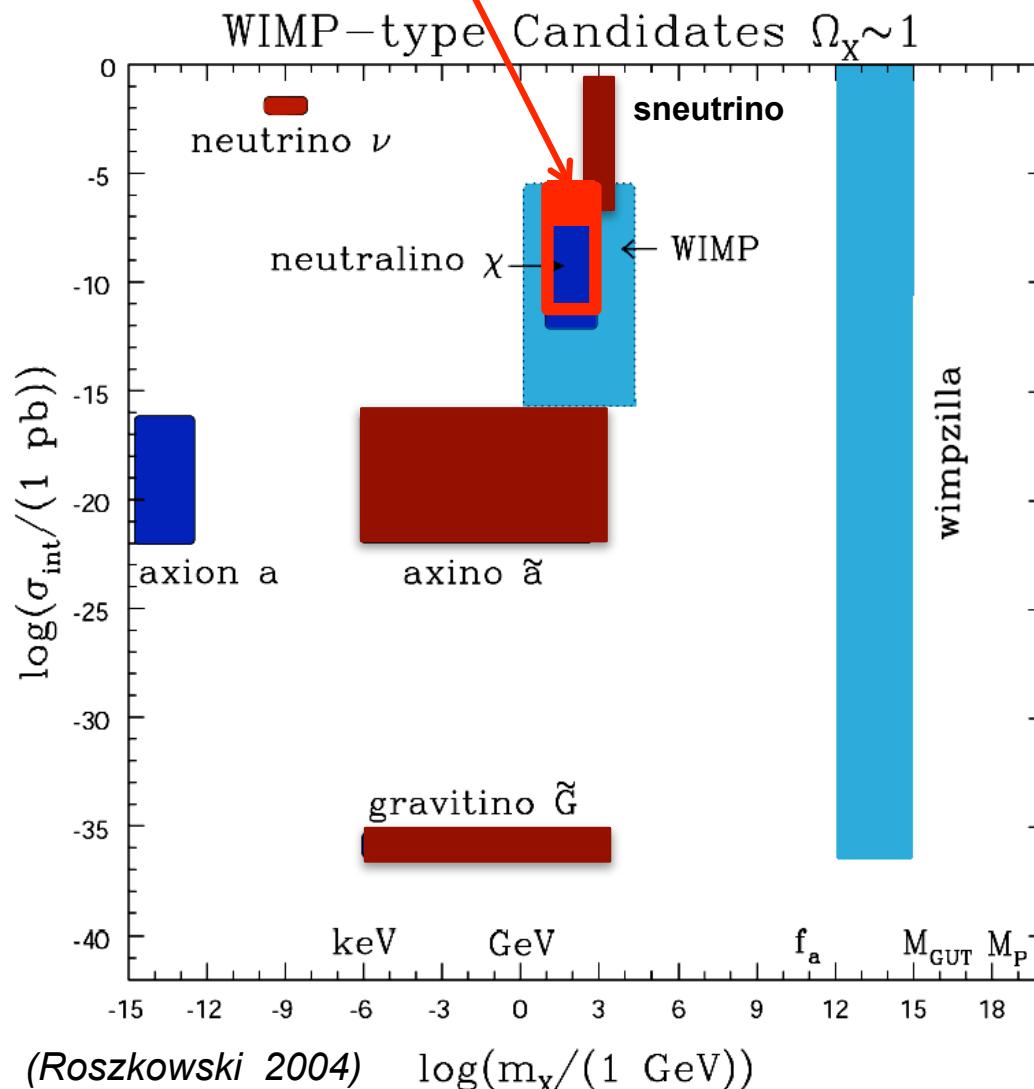
mass splitting can be small  $m_n = n/R$   
coannihilation large  
may be difficult signature for LHC

LKP is a WIMP

many models: UED, MUED, warped dimensions

Region we  
have already  
excluded

# Dark Matter Candidates



## Supersymmetric particles

### neutralino:

$m_\chi > 70 \text{ GeV}$  from LEP  
 $> \text{few GeV}$  from  $\Omega_\chi h^2 < 1$   
 $< 300 \text{ TeV}$  from unitarity  
 tens – 100’s GeV fine tuning arguments

weak interaction scale, suppressed by mixing angles in the neutralino couplings

**axino:** mass not directly determined by SUSY breaking scale, light (warm DM)

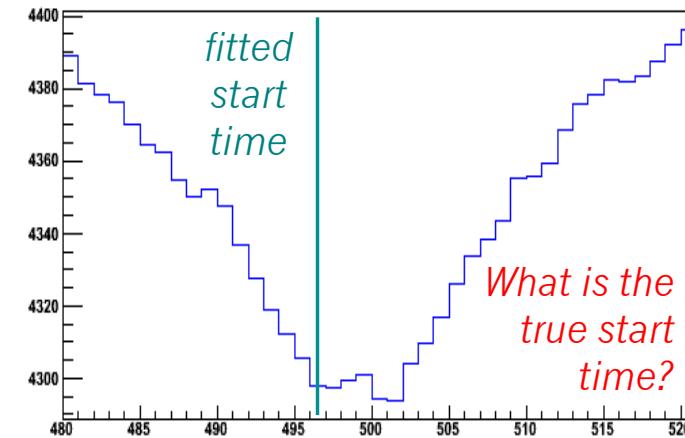
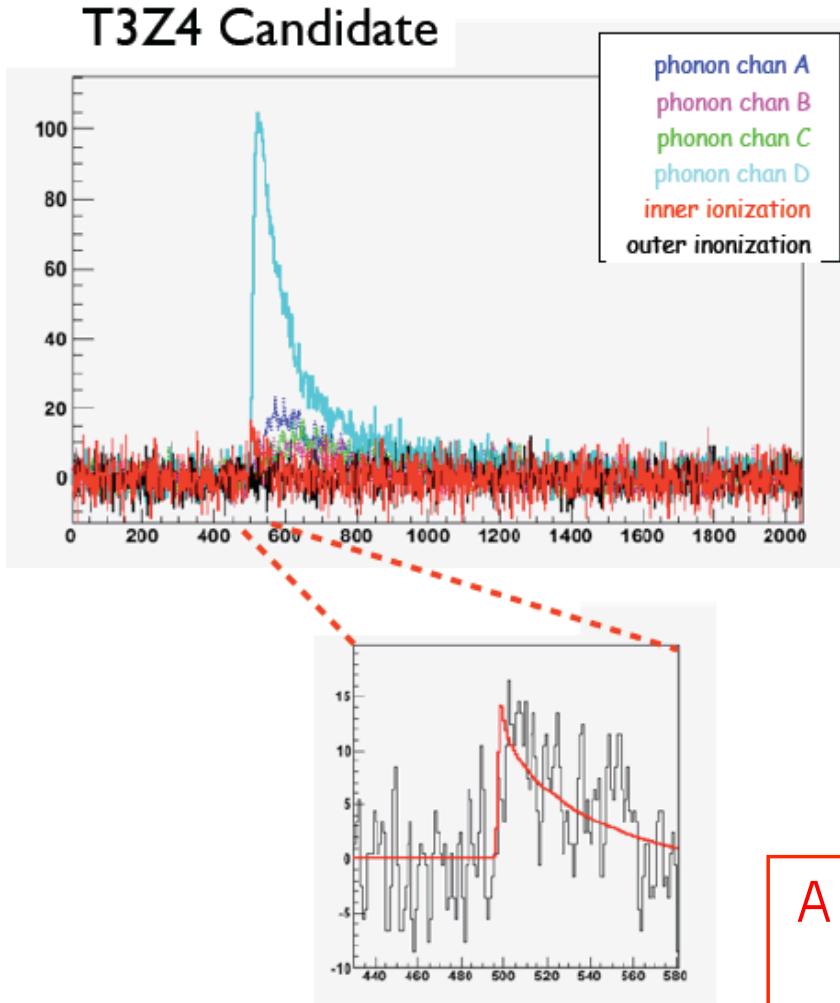
**gravitino:** No direct detection  
 Tension between BBN and relic density

**sneutrinos:**  $550 - 2300 \text{ GeV}$  (relic density)  
 large  $\sigma \rightarrow$  eliminated by direct searches

# OK – Good Event. But is it a Nuclear Recoil?

Look in detail at the timing parameters

T3Z4 Candidate



Only affects 1% events with  $Q < 6$  keV  
Mostly accounted for in the pre-unblinding  
leakage estimate.

T1Z5 not affected, for example  
We know a better algorithm and will reanalyze  
for unblind analysis

A more careful accounting revised the  
surface event leakage to

$0.8 \pm 0.1(\text{stat}) \pm 0.2(\text{sys})$