

Title: Probing Light Dark Matter

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Abstract:

# Probing New Territory in Dark Matter

## Direct Detection

- Detecting Bound Dark Matter to the Earth
- Detecting Dark Matter via inelastic channels
- Shadowing Effect

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# Dark Matter-Nucleus effective interactions

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

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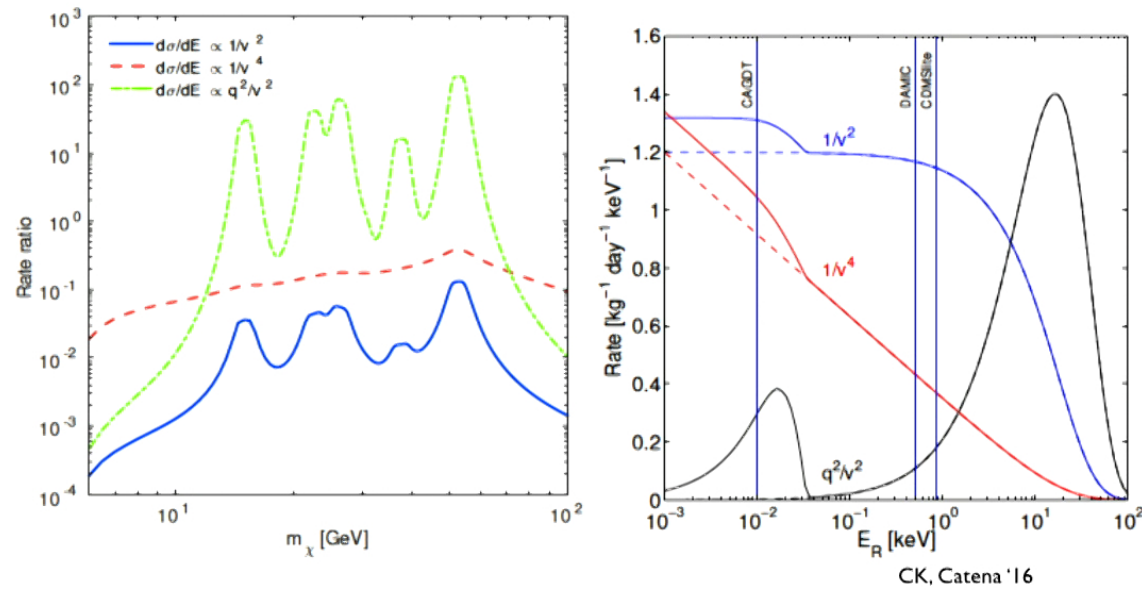
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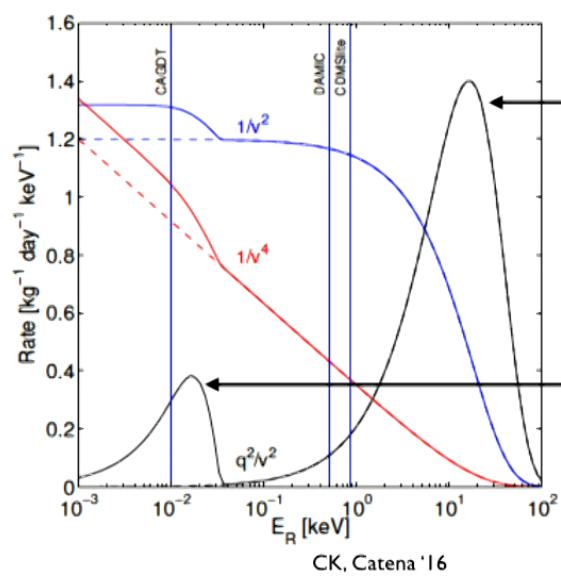
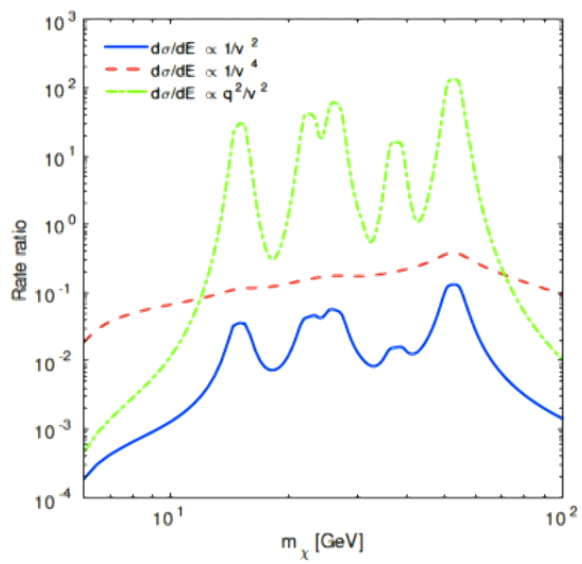
$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}_{14} = i \left( \hat{\mathbf{S}}_\chi \cdot \frac{\hat{\mathbf{q}}}{m_N} \right) \left( \hat{\mathbf{S}}_N \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}}^\perp \right)$$

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

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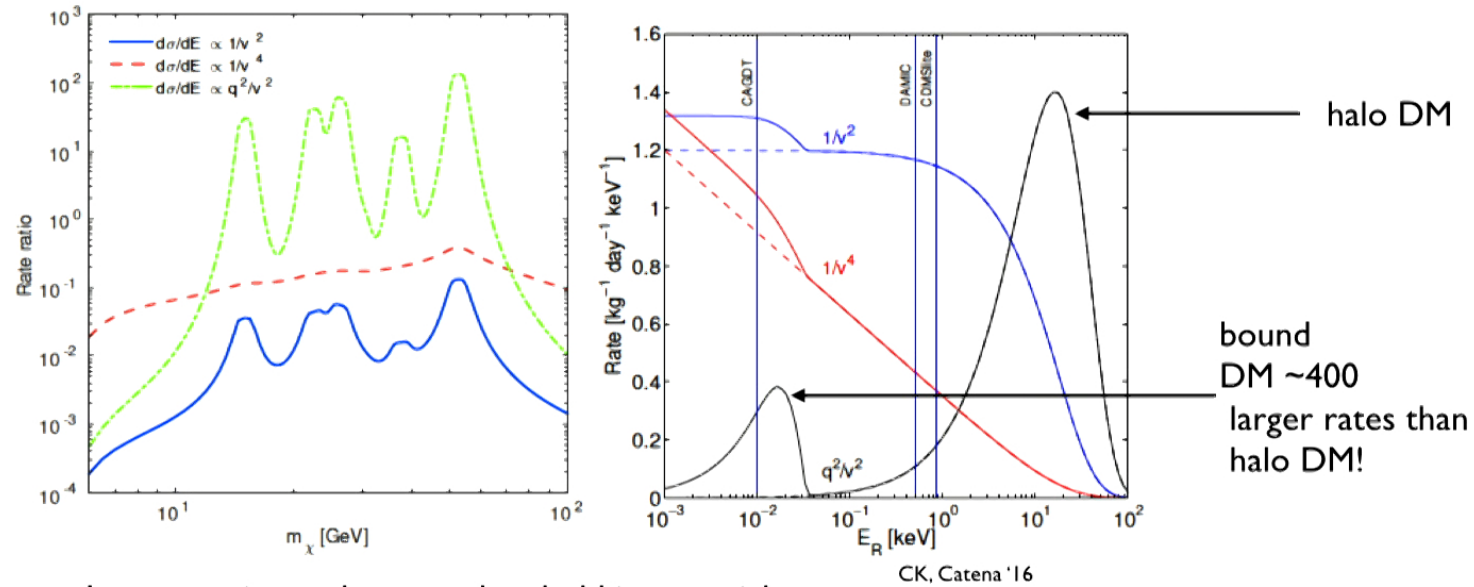


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Low experimental energy threshold is essential

Go beyond the neutrino floor

Ratio bound/halo independent of cross section

The signal can be used for identifying the type of interaction

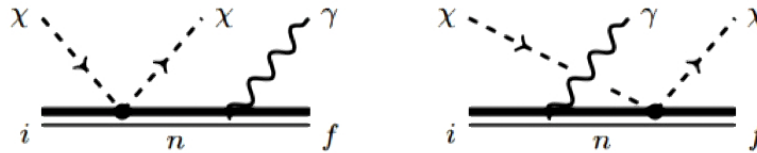
# Probing sub-GeV Dark Matter

A given nuclear recoil requires a minimum velocity  $v_{\min} = \sqrt{\frac{m_N E_R}{2\mu_N^2}}$

$$E_R \leq 2\mu_N^2 v^2 / m_N$$

see Pradler's talk!

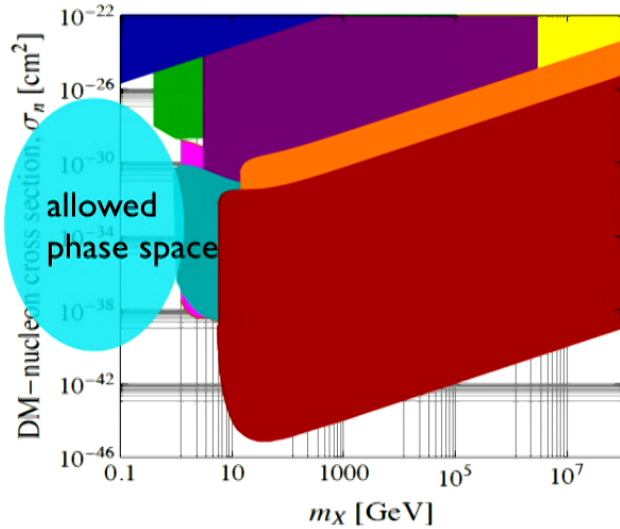
Inelastic Scattering



$$\omega \leq \mu_N v^2 / 2$$

The photon energy can be much larger than the nuclear recoil

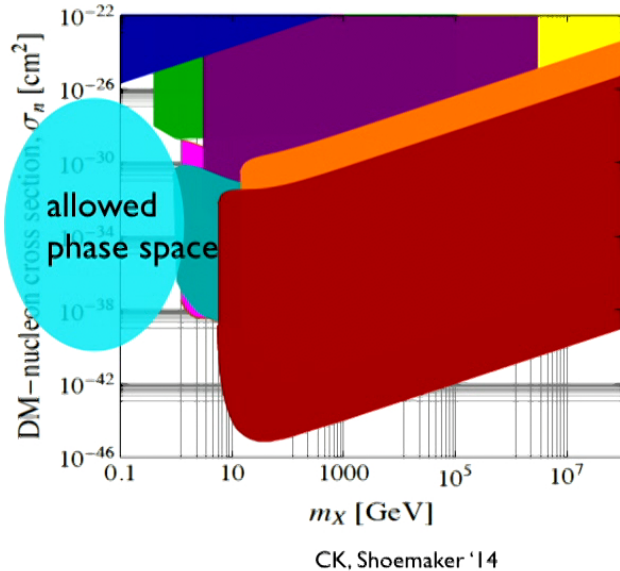
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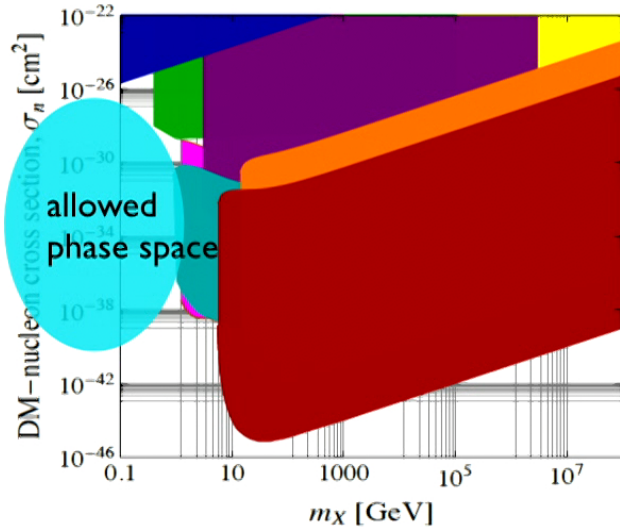


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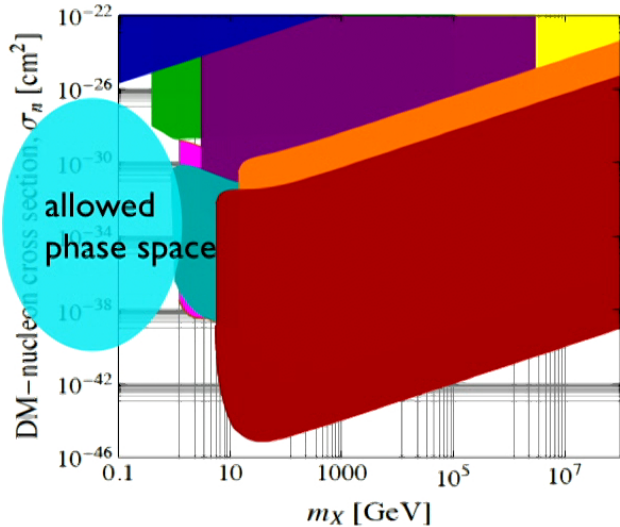
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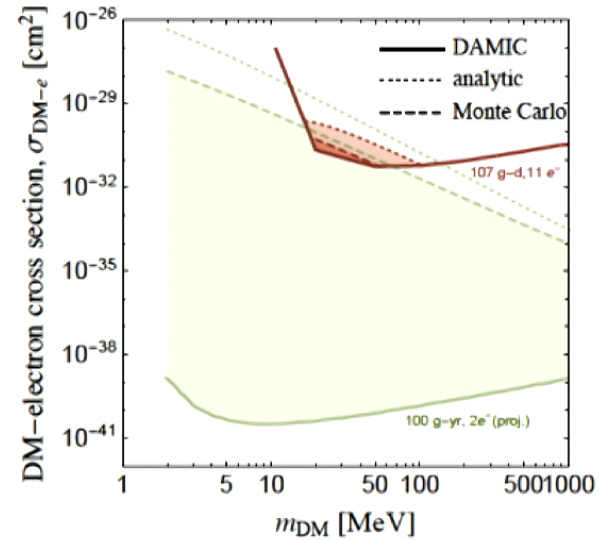
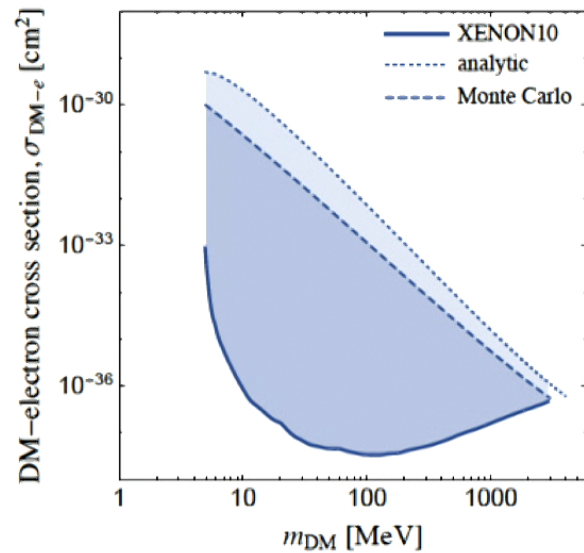
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The effect can be probed also in directional detectors manifesting itself as a top-down asymmetry CK'15

# Re-visiting Direct Detection Limits

$$\mathcal{L} \supset g_X \bar{X} \gamma^\mu X A'_\mu + \varepsilon F_{\mu\nu} F'^{\mu\nu} + m_\phi^2 A'_\mu A'^\mu$$



Emken, CK, Shoemaker '17

Experiment	Depth [m]	$E_{\text{th}}$ [eV]
XENON10	1400	12.4
DAMIC	100	40
DAMIC (proj.)	100	~ 1 - 2

# Daily Modulation in the Dark Matter Signal

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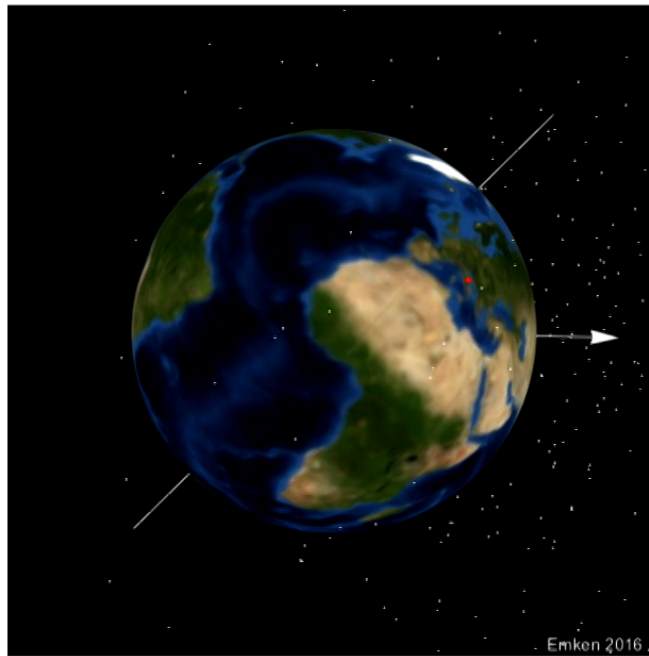
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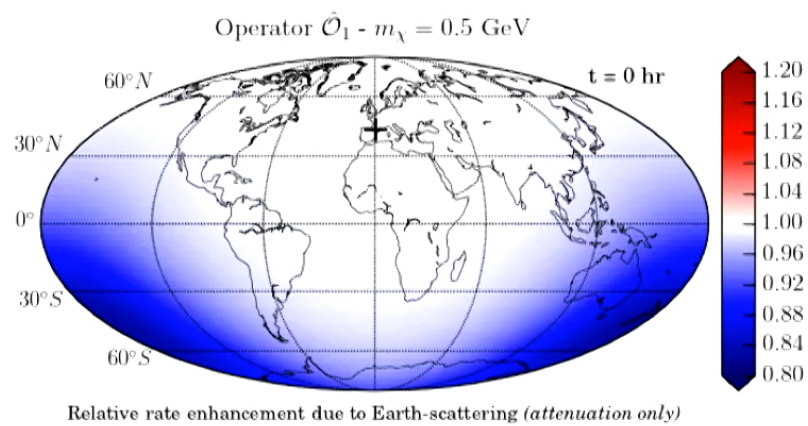
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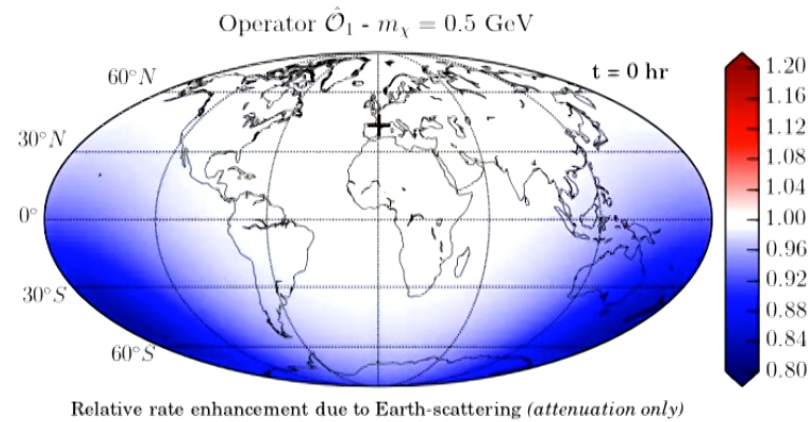


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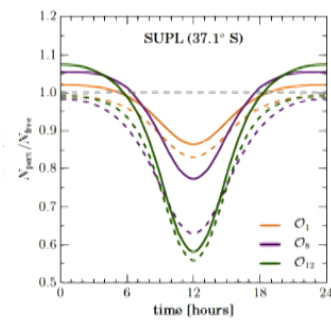
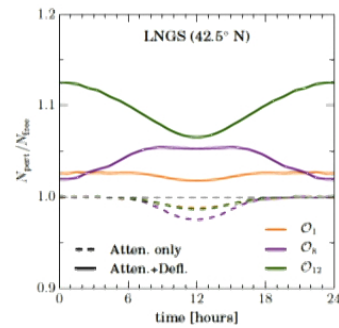


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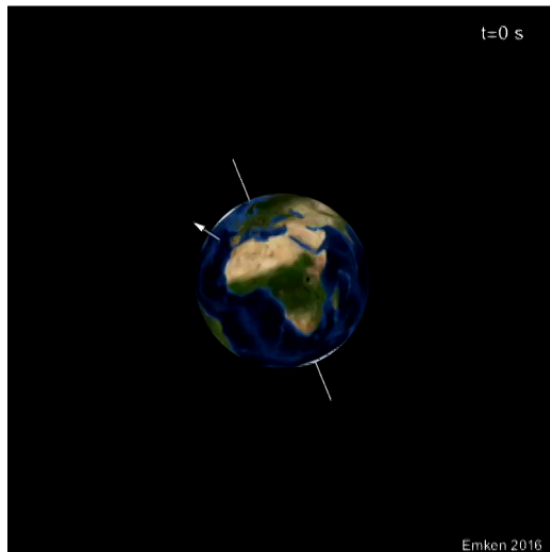
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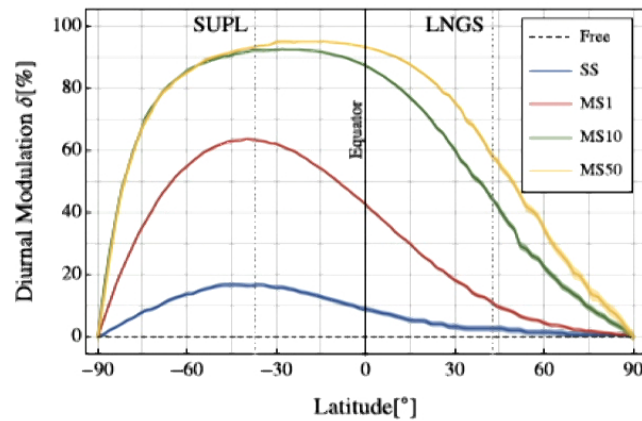
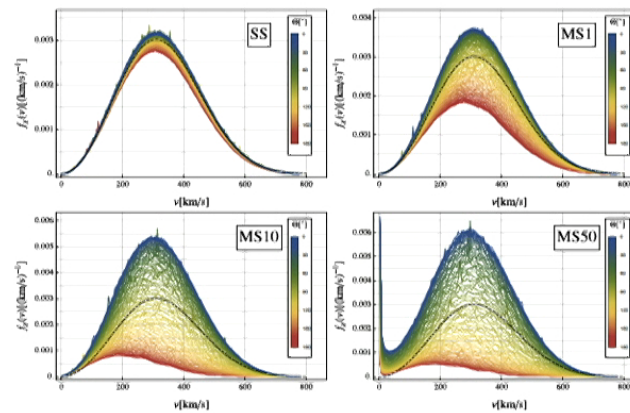
# DAMASCUS: Dark Matter on Supercomputers

Performing a simulation of trillions of DM particles on ABACUS

- fully parallelized code
- Precise Recoil Spectrum
- Test self-consistency of experiments
- Probe Currently Elusive Dark Matter



# DAMASCUS running on high cross section



# Conclusions

## Bound Dark Matter

- Universal feature at low recoil energies
- Identification of the type of DM-nucleon interaction
- Neutrino Floor

## Probing Light Dark Matter in Direct detection via Inelastic processes

- Probing sub-GeV DM

## Probing Light Dark Matter using the daily modulation DM signals from

- Phase space not covered by current detectors
- self-consistency of direct detection experiments