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# Dark Matter Searches

## Particle Cosmology

Non baryonic dark matter

WIMPs: a generic consequence of new physics at TeV scale

### Direct Detection of WIMPs

Current status 2007: entering the interesting region  $10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$

Next generation of experiments  $\approx 5$  years:  $10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$

Longer term  $10^{-46-47} \text{ cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$ : next ten years?

## Complementarity with accelerators and indirect

Large Hadron Collider 2008-2012 critical tests of our ideas

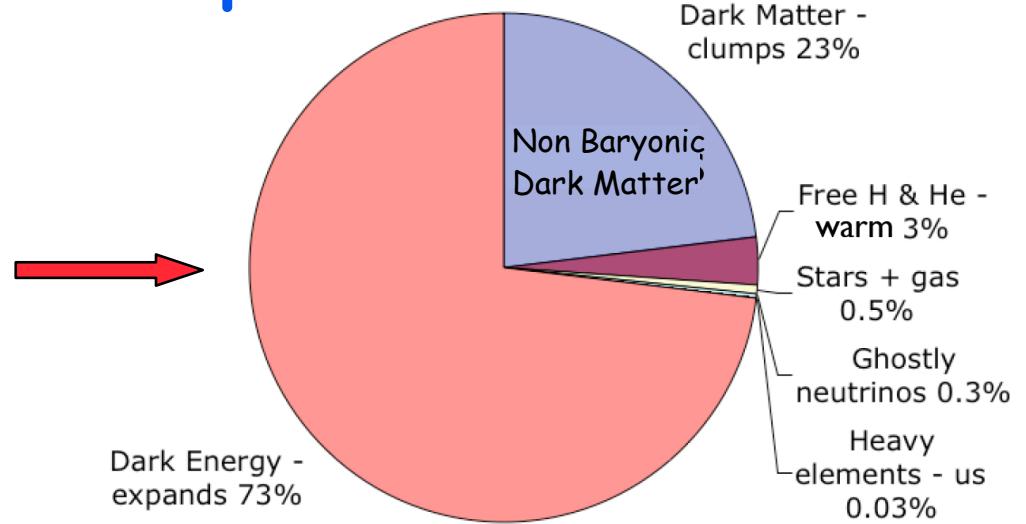
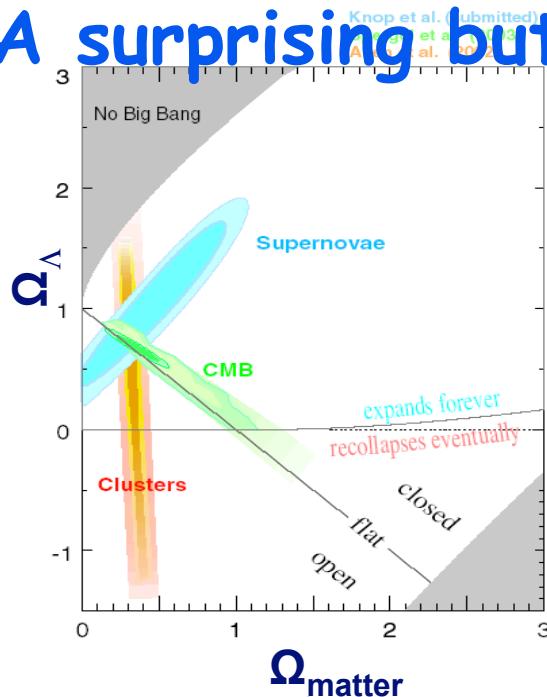
GLAST Jan 08-2013 could be smoking gun

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# Standard Model of Cosmology

A surprising but consistent picture



$\Omega_{\text{matter}}$   
Not ordinary matter (Baryons)

$\Omega_m \gg \Omega_b = 0.047 \pm 0.006$  from  
Nucleosynthesis  
WMAP

+ internally to WMAP       $\Omega_m h^2 \neq \Omega_b h^2 \approx 15 \sigma$ 's

Mostly cold: Not light neutrinos  $\neq$  small scale structure

$m_\nu < .17 \text{ eV}$  Large Scale structure+baryon oscillation + Lyman  $\alpha$

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# Standard Model of Particle Physics

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Fantastic success but  
Model is unstable

Why is  $W$  and  $Z$  at  $\approx 100 M_p$ ?

Need for new physics at that scale  
supersymmetry  
additional dimensions

Flat: Cheng et al. PR 66 (2002)

Warped: K.Agashe, G.Servant hep-ph/0403143

In order to prevent the proton to decay, a new quantum number

=> **Stable particles**: Neutralino  
Lowest Kaluza Klein excitation

**QCD violates CP**

Dynamic stabilization by a Peccei-Quinn axion?

**Gravity is not included and we do not understand  
vacuum energy**

Always the danger of a failure of General Relativity  
and that dark matter is part of a new set of "epicycles" that we invent to  
adjust theory to increasingly accurate data

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# Particle Cosmology

**Bringing both fields together: a remarkable coincidence**

**Particles in thermal equilibrium + decoupling when nonrelativistic**

Freeze out when annihilation rate  $\approx$  expansion rate

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_x h^2 = \frac{3 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3 / \text{s}}{\langle \sigma_A v \rangle} \Rightarrow \sigma_A \approx \frac{\alpha^2}{M_{EW}^2}$$

*Generic Class*

Cosmology points to W&Z scale

Inversely standard particle model requires new physics at this scale  
(e.g. supersymmetry or additional dimensions)

=> significant amount of dark matter

## Weakly Interacting Massive Particles

**2 generic methods:**

**Direct Detection** = elastic scattering

**Indirect: Annihilation products**

$\gamma$ 's e.g. 2  $\gamma$ 's at  $E=M$  is the cleanest

$v$  from sun & earth  $\approx$  elastic scattering

$e^+, \bar{p}$  dependent on trapping time

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# Direct Detection

## Elastic scattering

Expected event rates are low

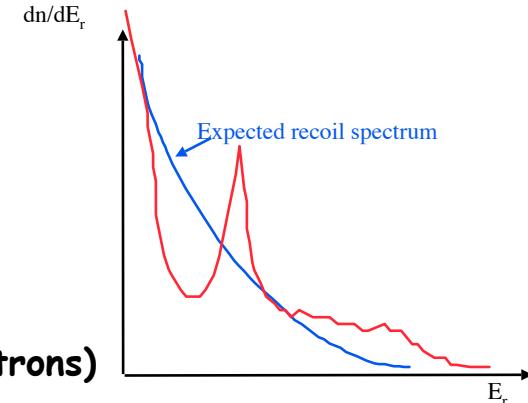
(<< radioactive background)

Small energy deposition ( $\approx$  few keV)

<< typical in particle physics

**Signal = nuclear recoil** (electrons too low in energy)

**$\neq$  Background = electron recoil** (if no neutrons)



## Signatures

- Nuclear recoil
- Single scatter  $\neq$  neutrons/gammas
- Uniform in detector

## Linked to galaxy

- Annual modulation (but need several thousand events)
- Directionality (diurnal rotation in laboratory but 100 Å in solids)

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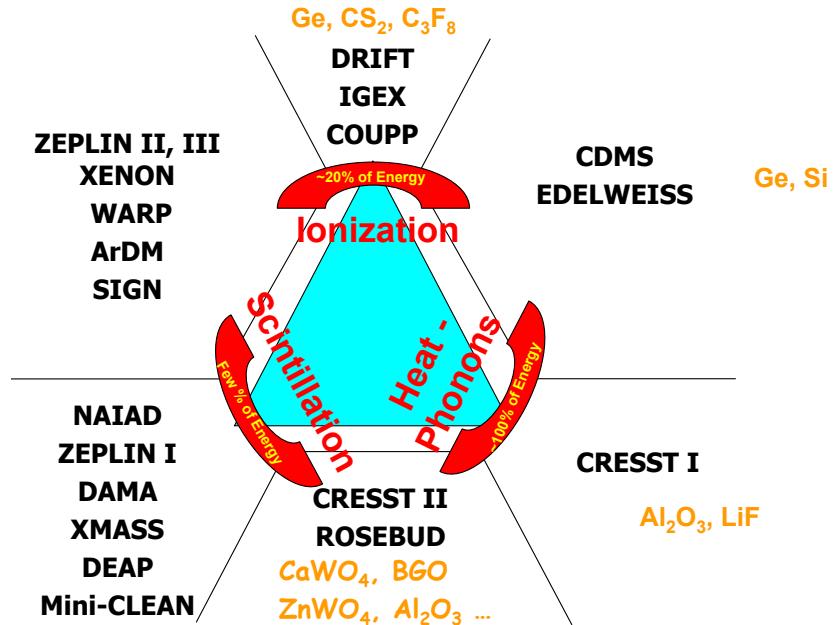
# Experimental Approaches

A blooming field



As much information  
As large a signal to noise ratio  
as possible

Direct Detection Techniques



At least **two** pieces of information in order to  
recognize nuclear recoil  
extract rare events from background  
(self consistency)  
+ fiducial cuts (self shielding, bad regions)

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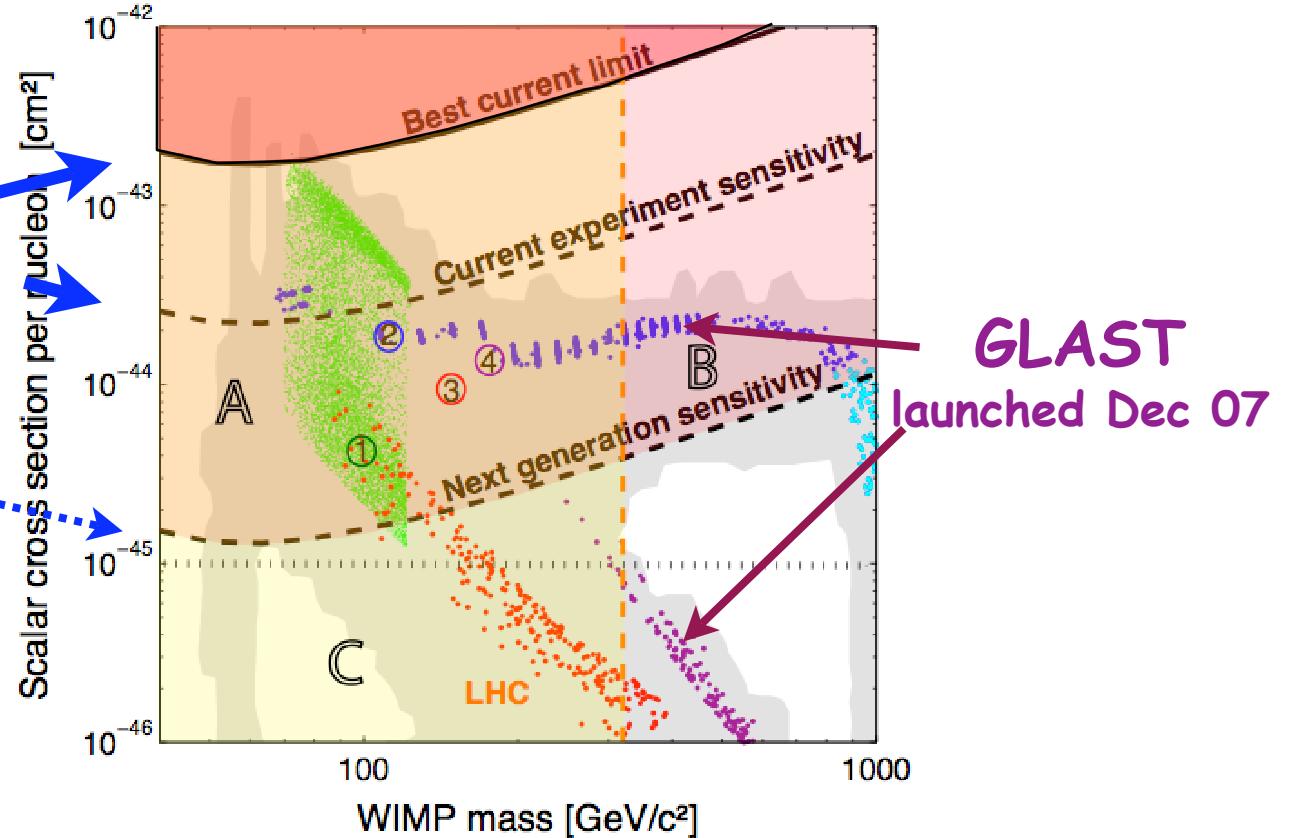
# The overall picture

Generically: scalar interactions  $\approx A^2$

Current WIMP searches

Next generation

1 generation beyond



Large Hadron  
Collider

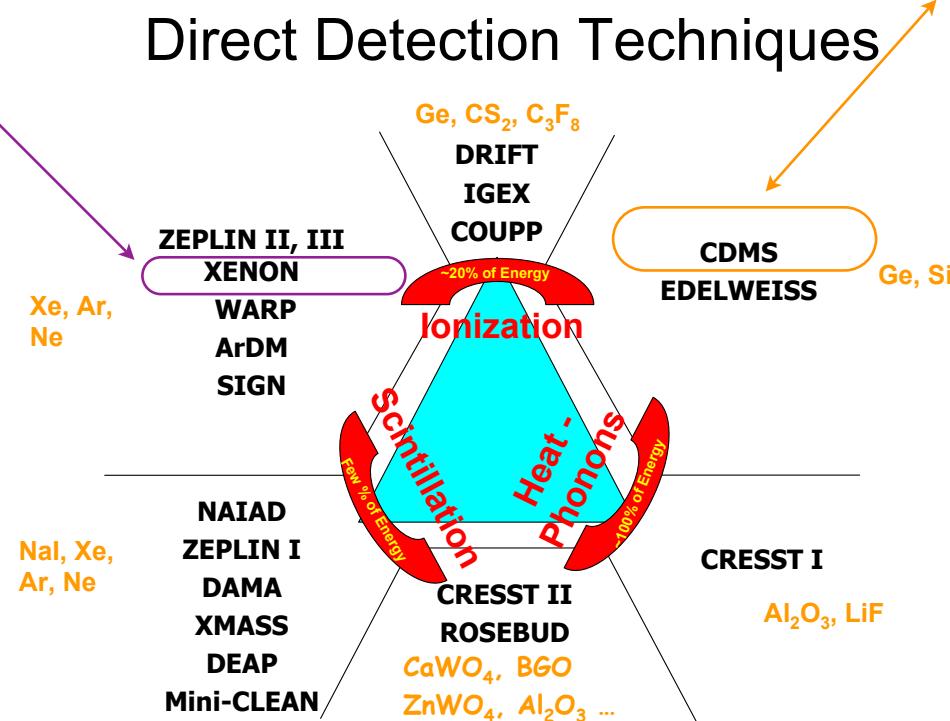
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# Current results

2 examples in more details

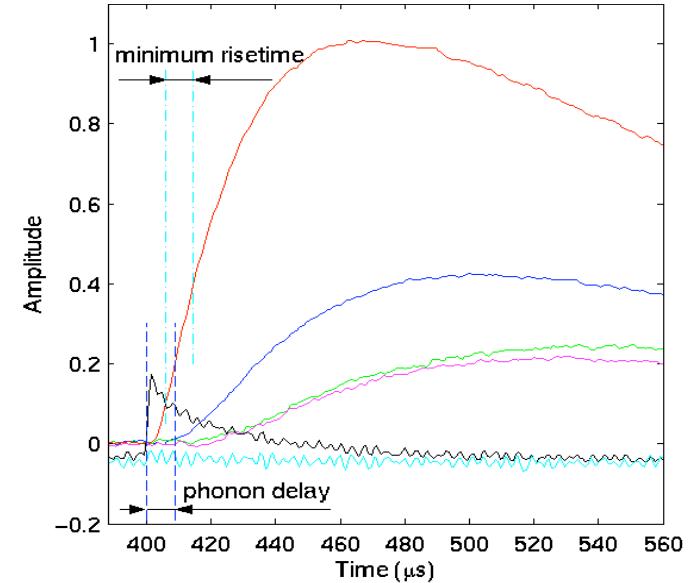
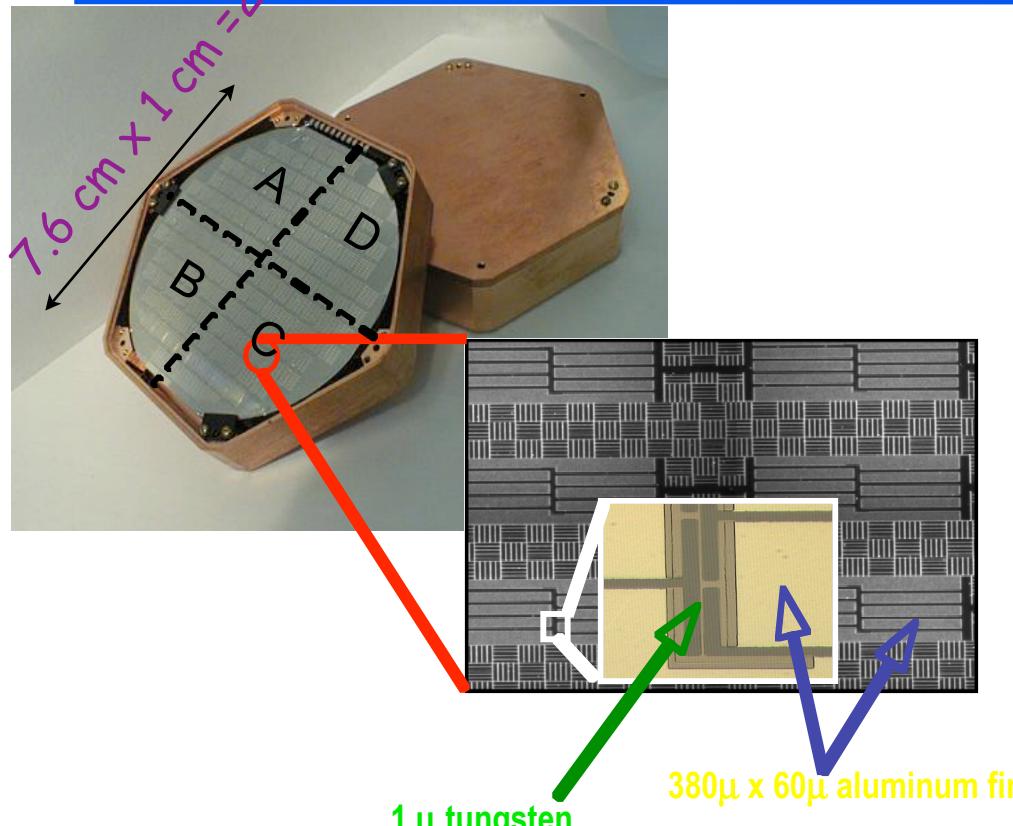
**Xenon 10** as generic for  
ZEPLIN II ,WARP, ArDM

**CDMS** as generic for  
EDELWEISS & CRESST



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# CDMS II



**Phonons+ionization** large signal to noise (cf EDELWEISS, CRESST)  
 => total energy, ionization yield: discrimination of nuclear recoils

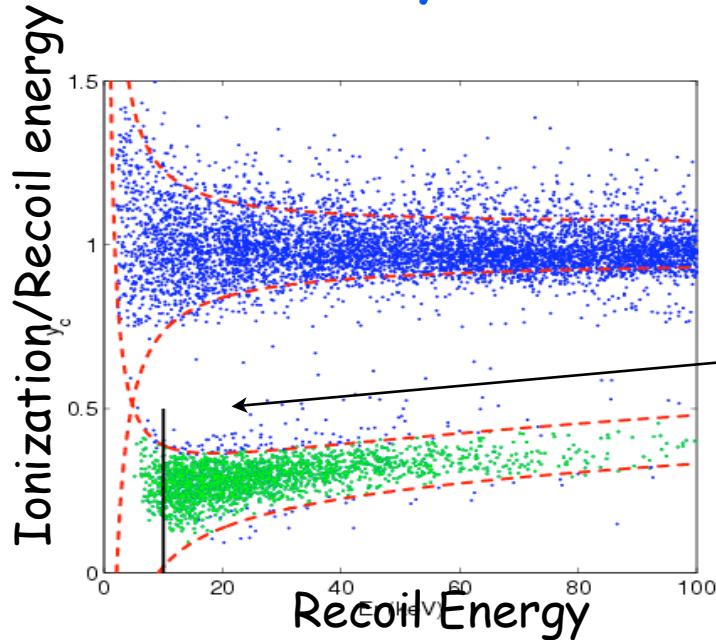
**Athermal => large amount of information**  
 => 3D position of the event

In particular, in spite of "folding", proximity to the surface  
 ≠ surface electrons

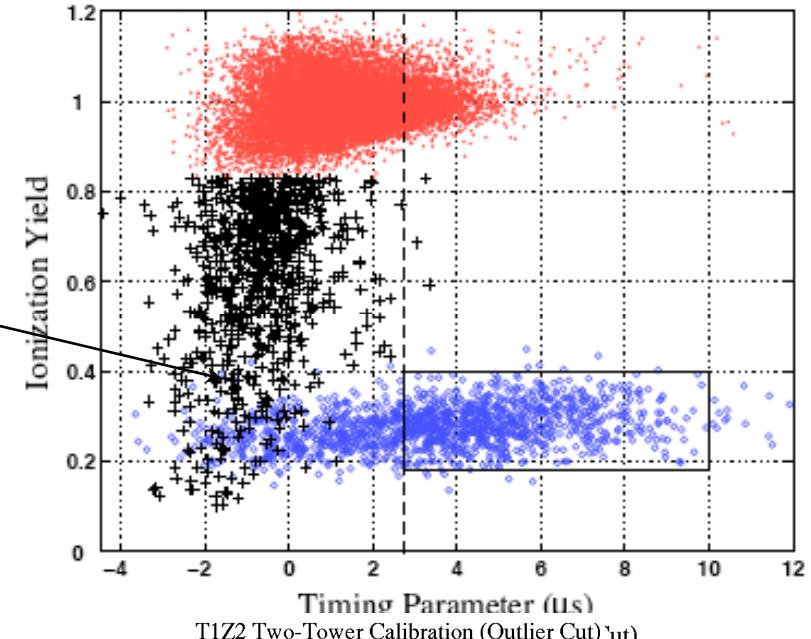
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# Multidimensional Discrimination

**Ionization yield**



**Timing  $\rightarrow$  surface discrimination**

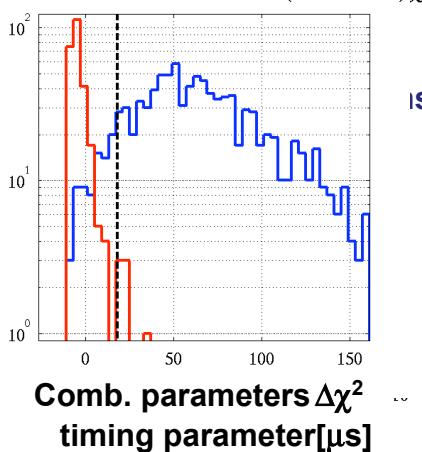


**Fix cuts blind (with calibration sources)**  
to get  $\approx 0.5$  events background

53% nuclear recoil efficiency

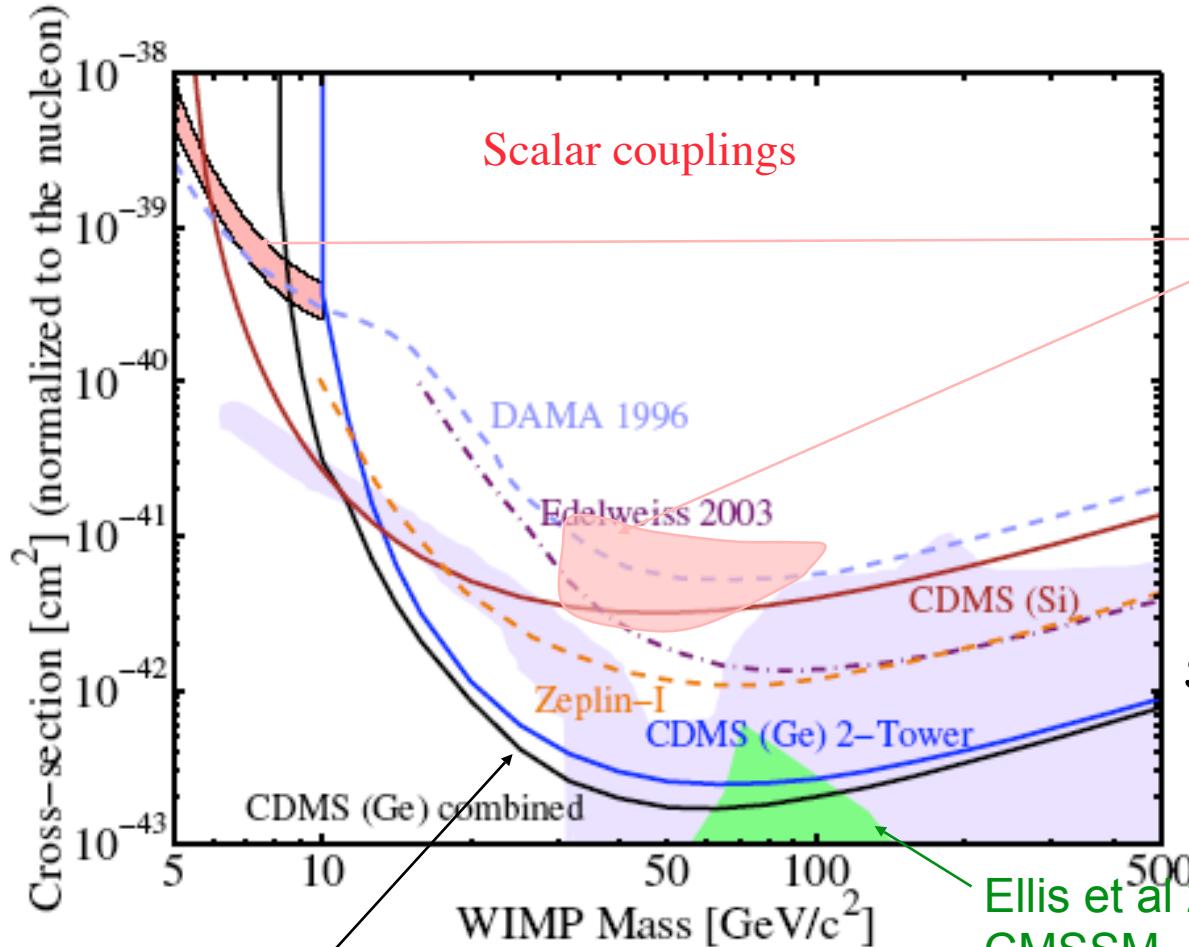
Expected backgrounds:

$0.37 \pm 0.15(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.20(\text{sys.})$  electron recoils,  
0.05 recoils from neutrons expected



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# CDMS II (2005)

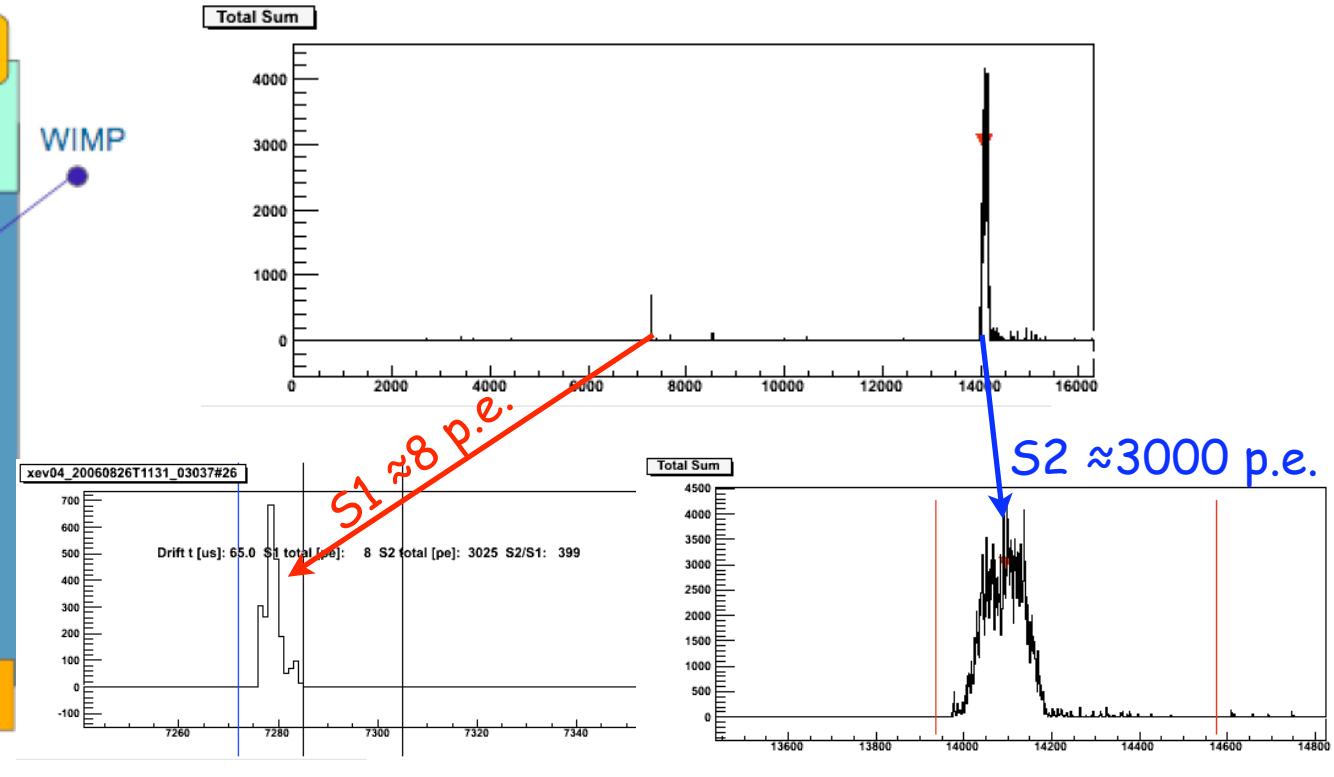
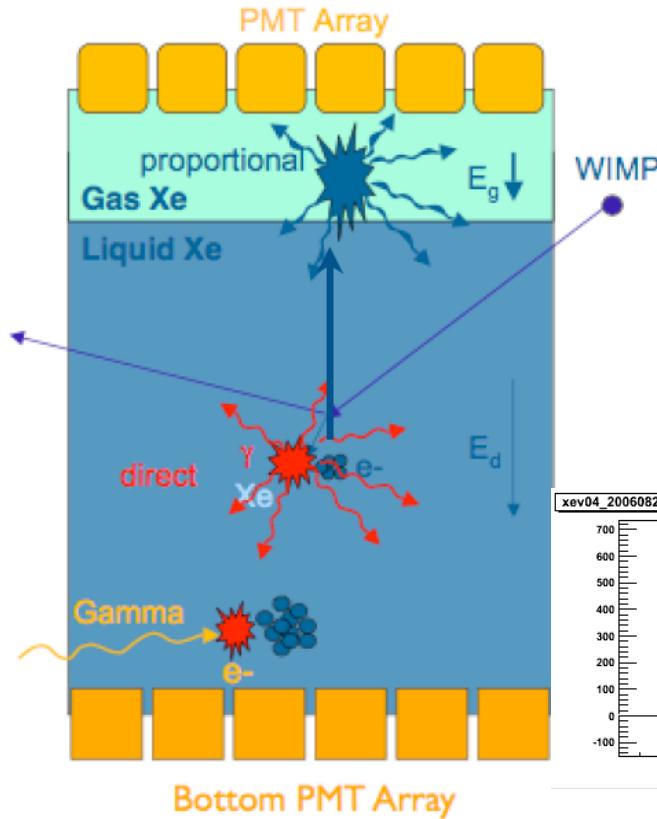


10 times more sensitive than any other expt. in 2005

Increasing tension with DAMA who claims a signal (NaI)

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# Xenon 10



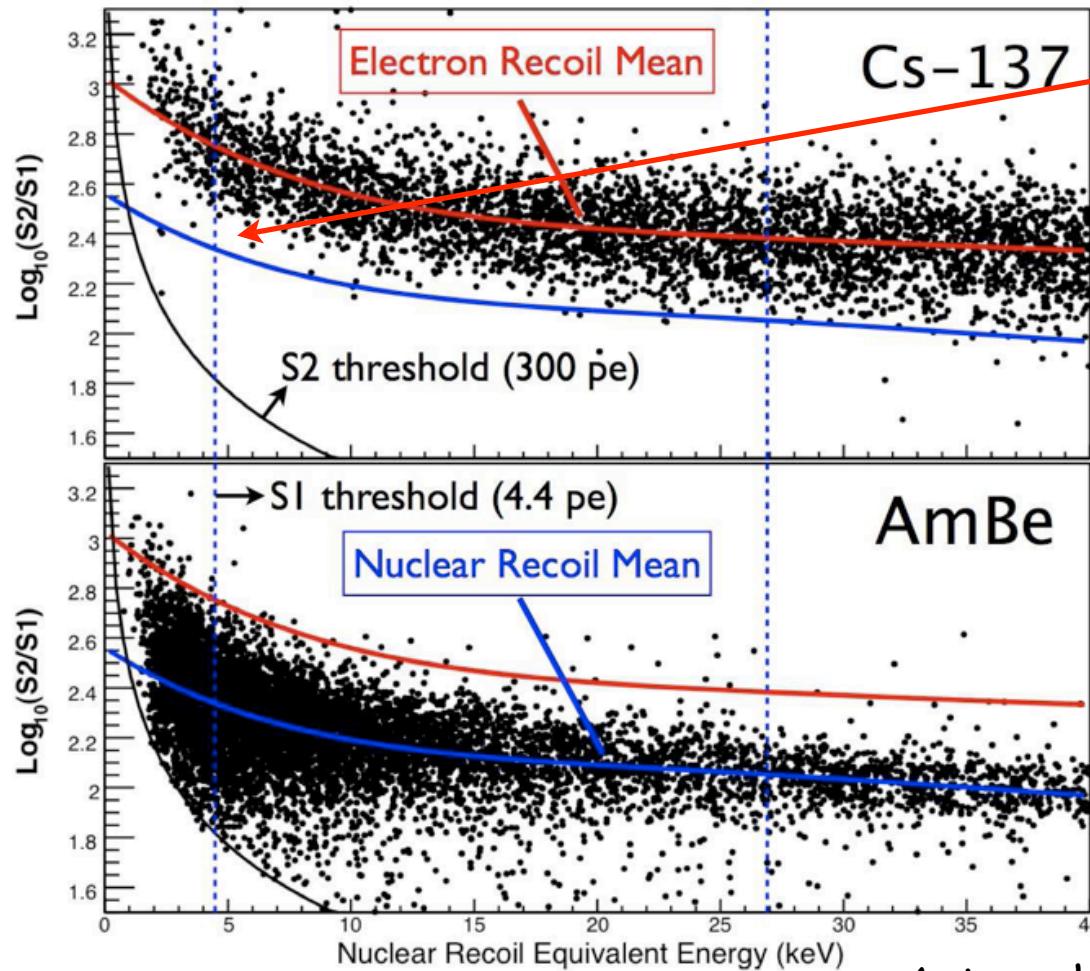
**Liquid Xenon: Scintillation + ionization**  
two photon pulses  $\Rightarrow$  depth

**Breakthrough: extraction of electrons from liquid**  
importance of having photon detector at the bottom + high spatial  
resolution  $\neq$  ZEPLIN II

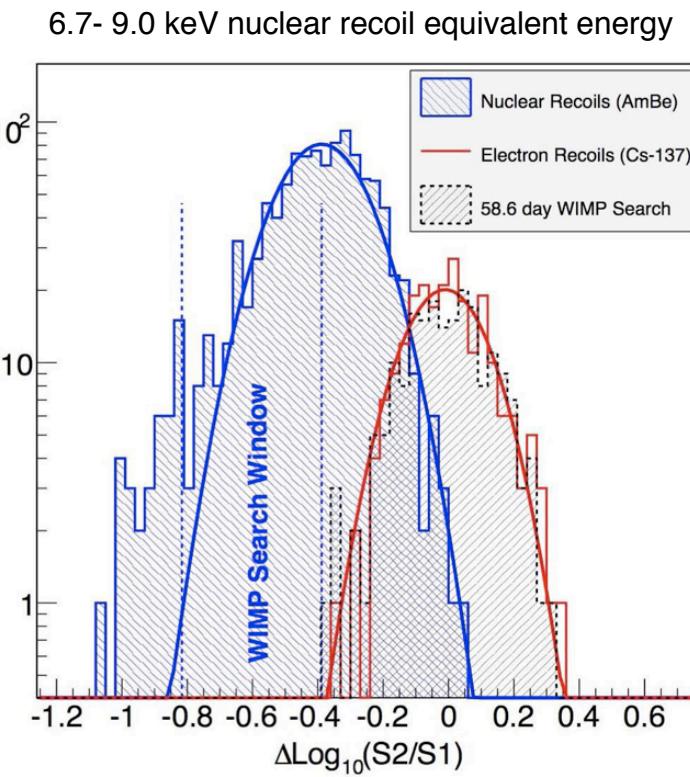
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# Rejection Xenon 10

Good rejection down to 4.5 keV nuclear recoil



With 4 p.e!  
 Why no flaring of  
 electrons at low  
 energy?



Astro-ph/0706.0039

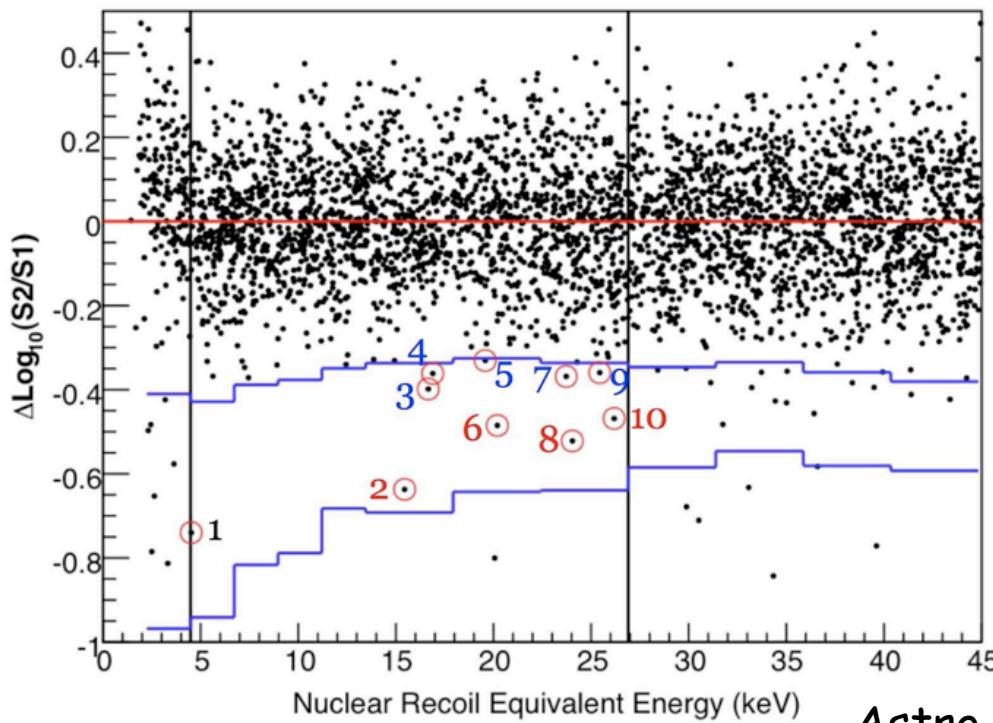
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# Low background running

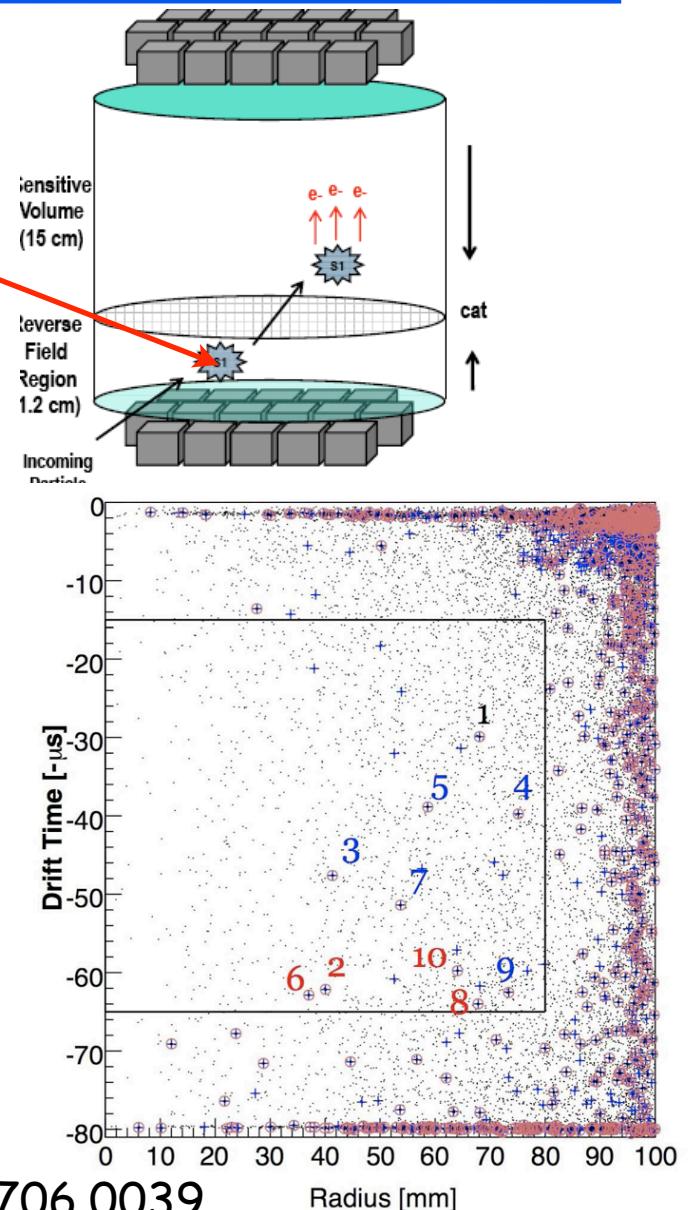
## Events with depressed S2

Region where ionization is not collected

After pattern recognition 10  
background events with 50%  
nuclear recoil efficiency



[Astro-ph/0706.0039](#)

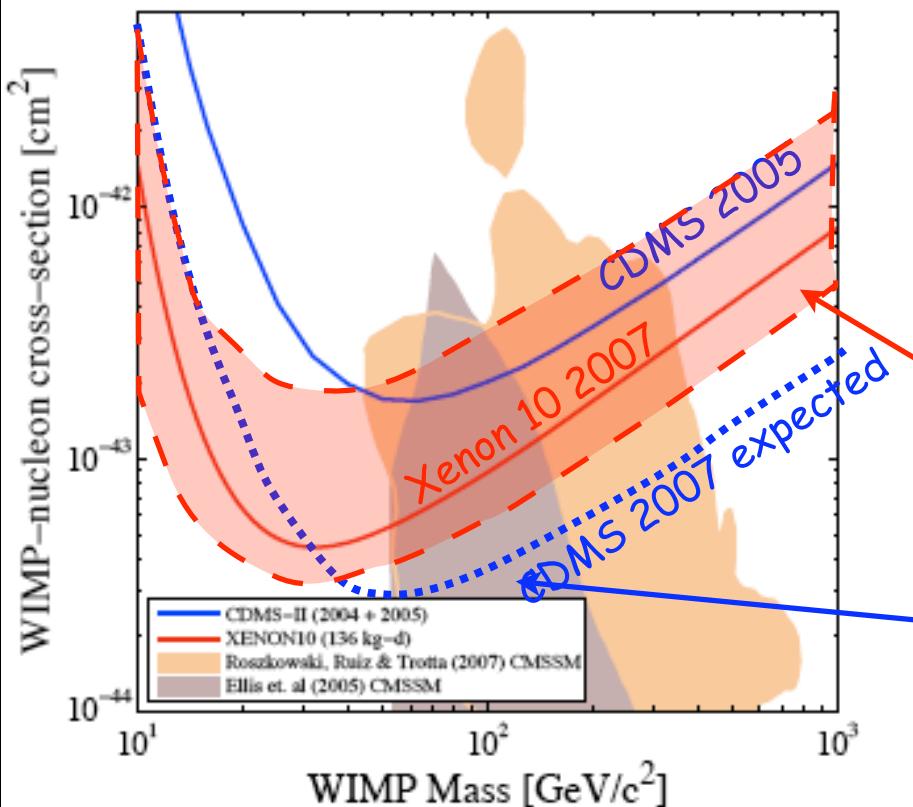


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# Xenon 10 Results

**Very nice result**

Clean demonstration of power of the technology



If true, about 7\*Xenon 10 discovery potential!

**Large gap at small energy**

S. Yellin CDMS analysis code

- Statistically lucky?
- Characteristics of background?
- Or disguised threshold?  
non flaring of e recoils

**Detector used in a region with no calibration**

Large uncertainty

CDMS estimate July 2007

New calibration this summer

**CDMS run 123+ 124  
630kg days**

Blind analysis

Expect to be background free

$3 \cdot 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2/\text{nucl}$  @  $60\text{GeV}/c^2$

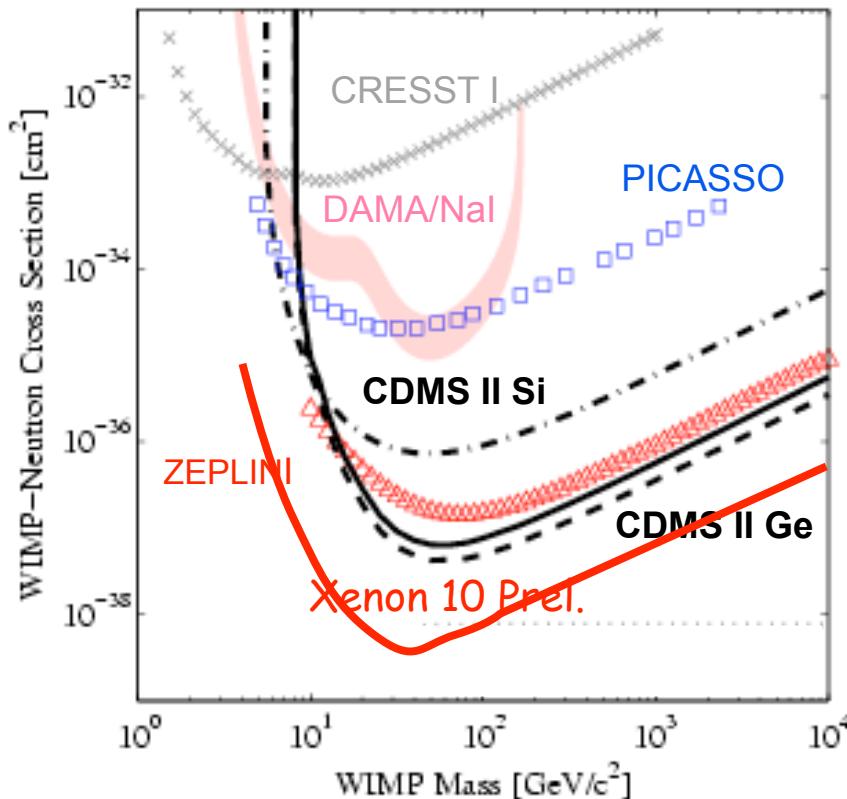
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# Spin dependent

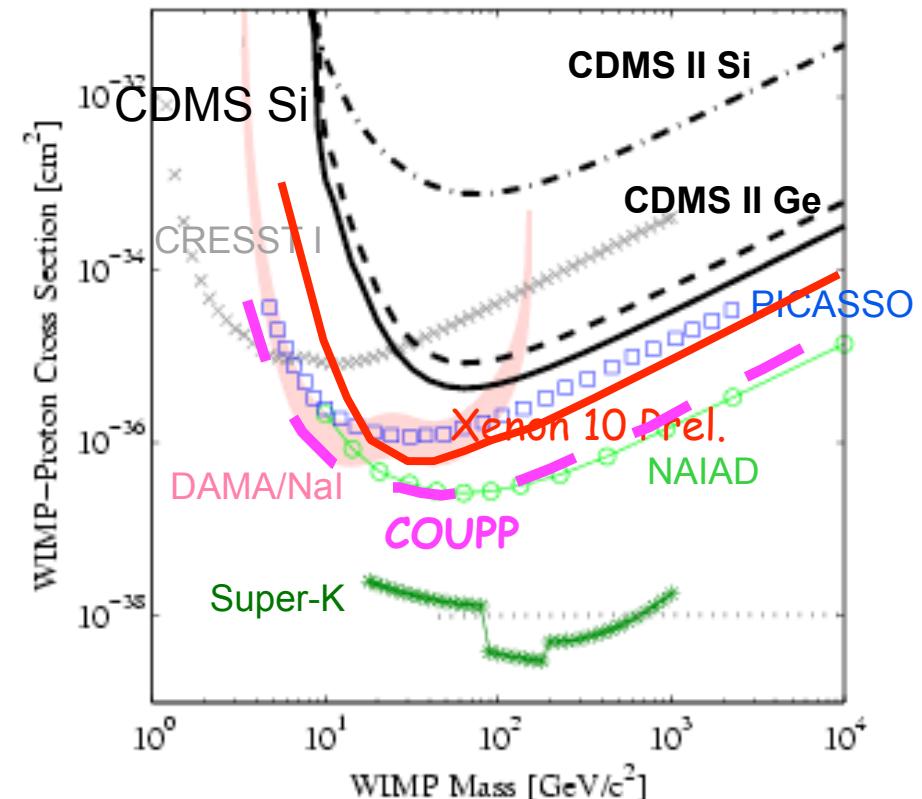
Xenon 10 improves n scattering limit

**COUPP (Chicago-Fermilab bubble chamber) p scattering**

"n" scattering



"p" scattering



Spin independent not good for DAMA either

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# Immediate Future (cryogenic)

**CDMS: run till  $\approx$  next summer  $\approx 1500\text{kg days}$**

sensitivity  $< 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$

stay background free:

- new towers 3 lower back grounds
- better discrimination tools

**Edelweiss- $\rightarrow 10^{-43} \text{ cm}$**

**21** 330g Ge detectors with NTD  
**+ 7** 400g Nb Si (athermal phonons)  
 first commissioning run April -May 07

encouraging

no event  $> 30\text{keV}$  for eight NTD detectors  
 $(19 \text{ kg day})$  (cf 3 in EdelI)  
 first underground test of two 200g Nb Si



**CRESST II- $\rightarrow 10^{-43} \text{ cm}$**

Major upgrade 66 SQUIDs for 33 detectors

+ neutron shield

Three detectors running since 4/07.

Will report  $\approx 60\text{kg days}$  at TAUP



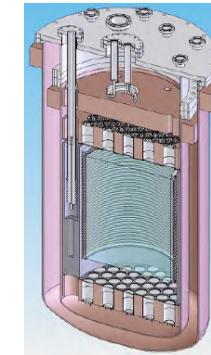
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# Immediate Future (noble liquids)

## Xenon 10+

Corrections of problems  
installation larger vessel:  
mass+veto , results in 2008

LUX 300kg

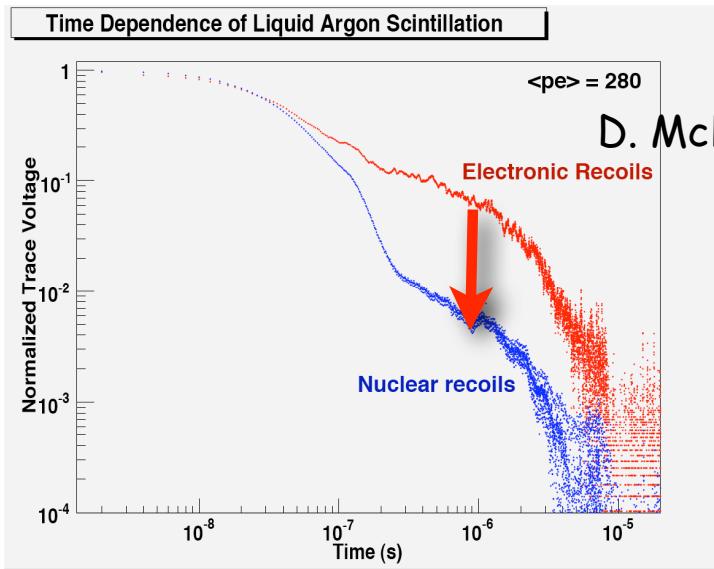


<http://www.luxdarkmatter.org>

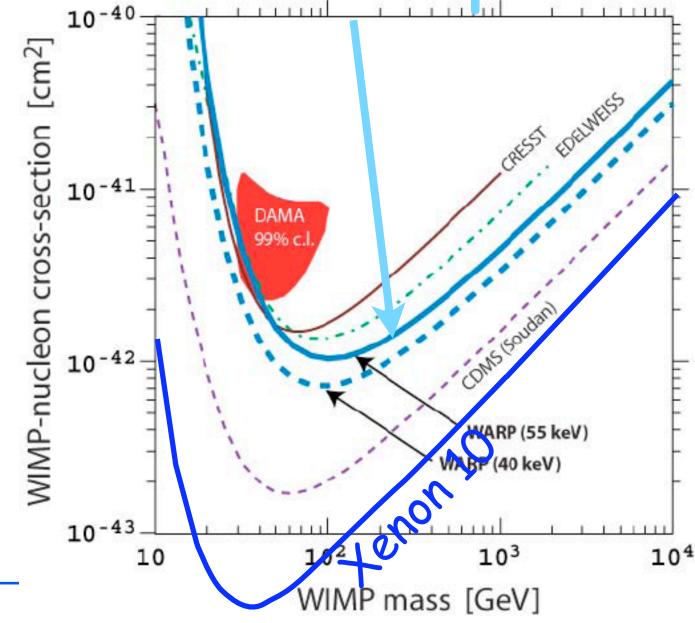
Liquid argon: one additional handle : rise time

Recent breakthrough

Triplet killed in nuclear recoils

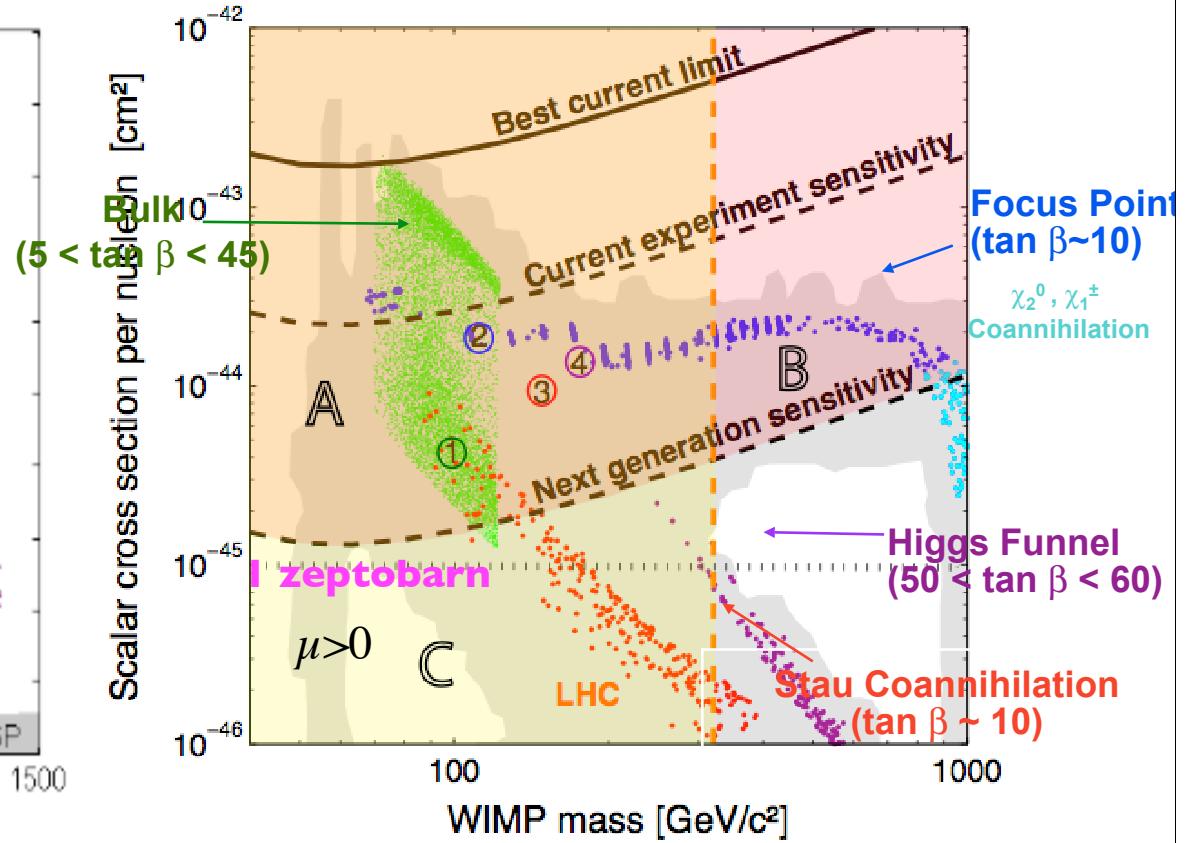
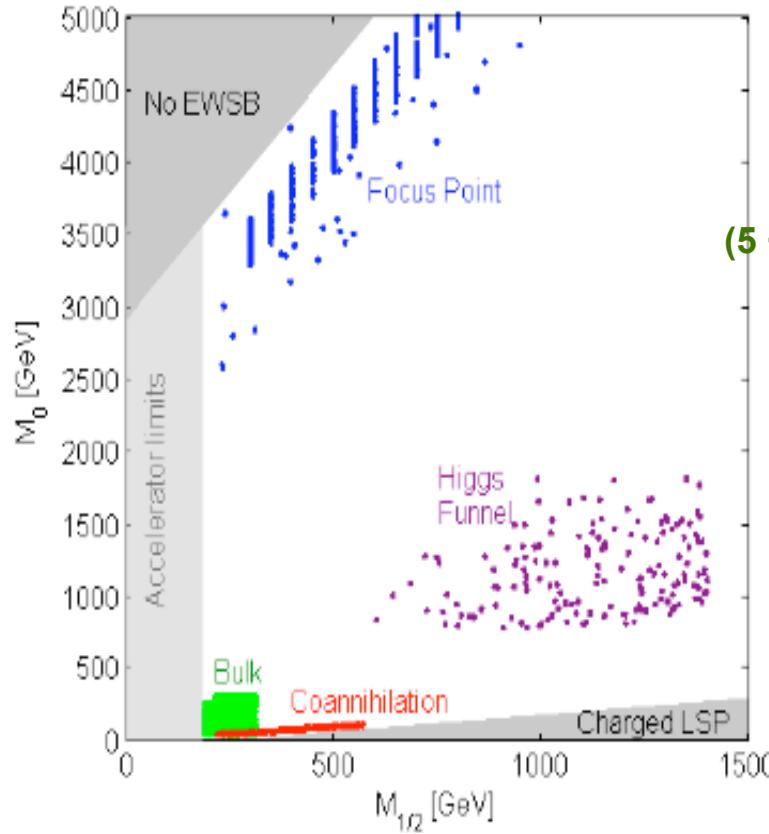


WARP: Liquid Ar  
Scint. + ioniz. +pulse shape



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# Why $1 \text{ Zeptobarn} \equiv 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$



$10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$  is a natural scale e.g. in mSUGRA/CMSSM (cf Roszkowski et al.)

**Bulk**

**Focus point (mix of Higgsino/Bino)**

The Higgs funnel and stau coannihilation are fine tuned to enhance annihilation

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$\rightarrow 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$

At least 3 technologies able to go to  $10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2/\text{nucleon}$

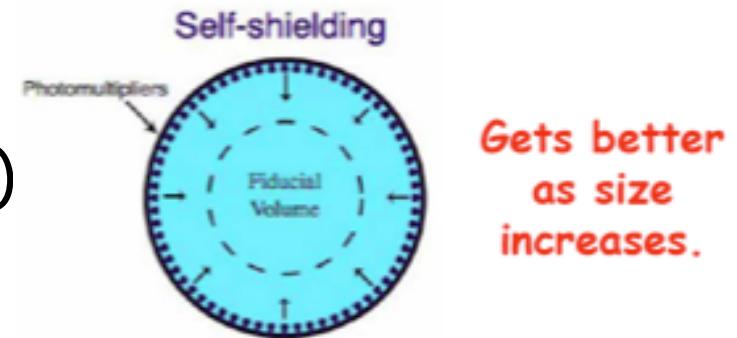
- Phonon mediated detectors  
SuperCDMS 25kg 1" detectors  
first phase approved



- 2-phase Xenon  
number of photo-electrons + reduction of reduced ionization regions
- 2 phase Argon scintillation+ionization+pulse shape  
but: Ar 39

Can we do something simpler?

- Borexino/Kamland like geometry
- single-phase Xenon (XMASS)  
use self shielding of Xe  
approved
- single phase Argon scintillation+pulse shape  
(MiniClean/DEAP) but Ar 39

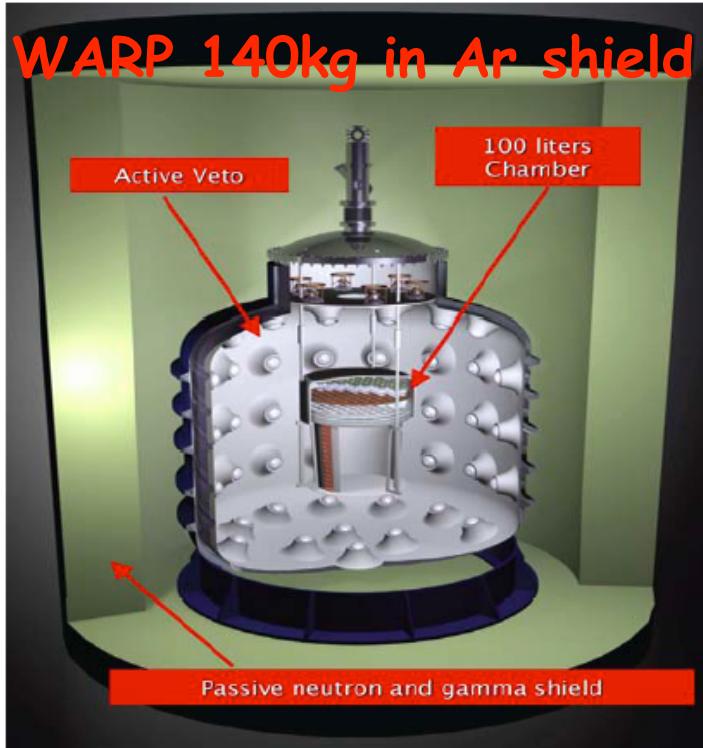


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# Very Large masses liquid argon

## WARP:

Assembly by end of 2007



**But, not enough to have large mass!**

Master a complex phenomenology in order to

- Demonstrate discrimination close to threshold ( $\pm \text{Ar } 39$ )
- Obtain good spatial reconstruction against edges
- Have proper calibration



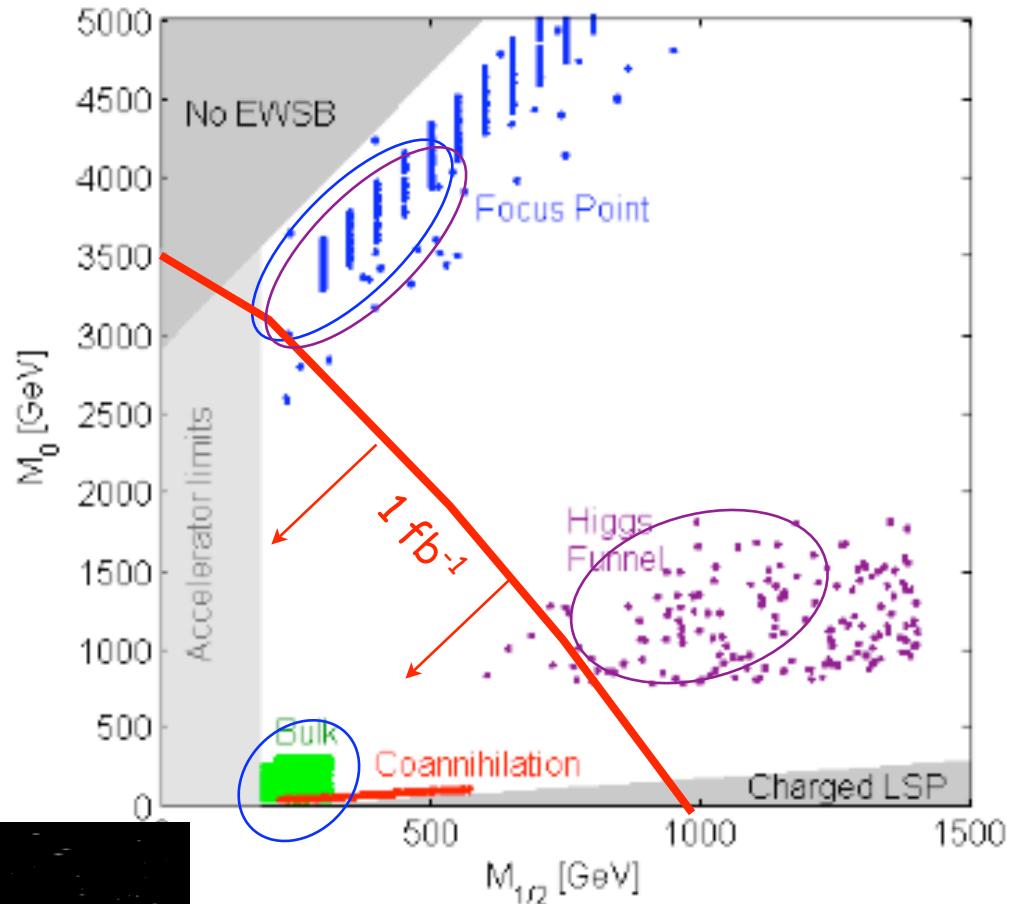
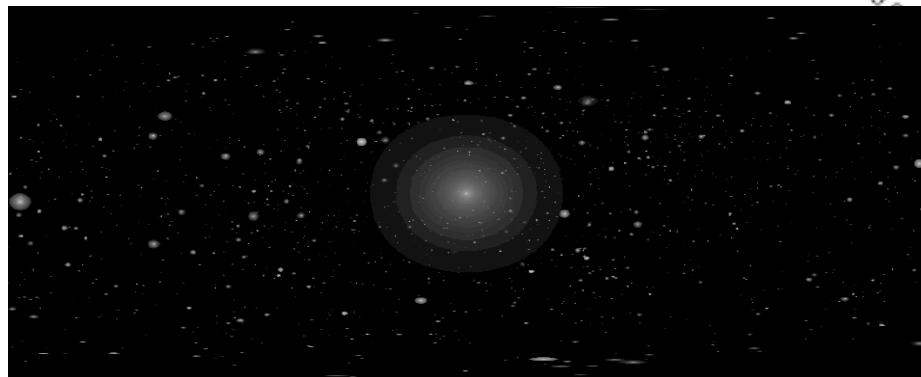
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# Complementarity:LHC,GLAST

**Direct Detection:**  
**Bulk**  
**+Focus point**

**LHC**  
**"low energy"**

**GLAST**  
**Focus**  
**+ Higgs funnel**



**Simulation of the  $\gamma$  ray sky  
from Dark Matter  
annihilation**

Ted Baltz 2006 (Taylor/Babul)

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# Conclusions

## Essential to detect Dark Matter

A key ingredient of the standard model of cosmology

At least show it is not an epicycle!

WIMPs is the generic Thermal model

## The field of direct detection is very active, many ideas

We should reach  $10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$  very soon (2009)

$10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$  should be reachable by

- phonon mediated detectors
- Liquid Xenon 2 phase
- Liquid Ar 2 phases+pulse shape

maybe other simpler technologies (XMASS, MiniCLEAN, COUPP)

$10^{-46-47} \text{ cm}^2$  considerable challenge ( 1-0.1 evt/ton/yr )

When we have a discovery: link to galaxy (low pressure TPC  $\approx 5000 \text{ m}^3$  )

## Complementarity with accelerators and indirect detection

Large Hadron Collider may probe the same physics

GLAST could be smoking gun

We may be at the brink of discovery! B.Sadoulet, Science 315 (2007) 61