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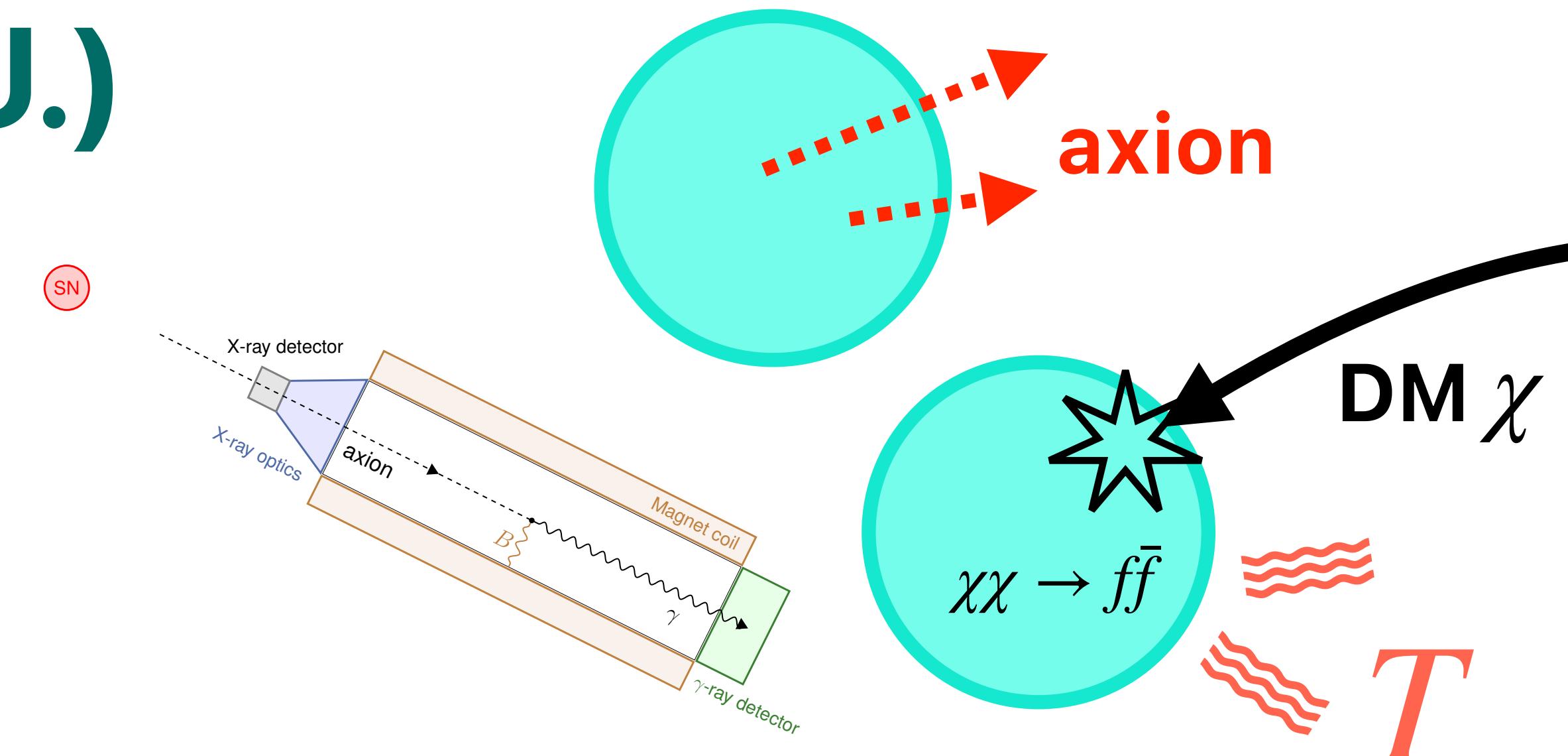
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references

* NS cooling by axion: [1806.07151](#), [2502.18931](#) (👉 New!)

* SN axion: [2008.03924](#).

* NS heating by DM: arXiv [2309.02633](#), [2308.16066](#), [2204.02413](#), [2204.02238](#), [1905.02991](#), [1904.04667](#).



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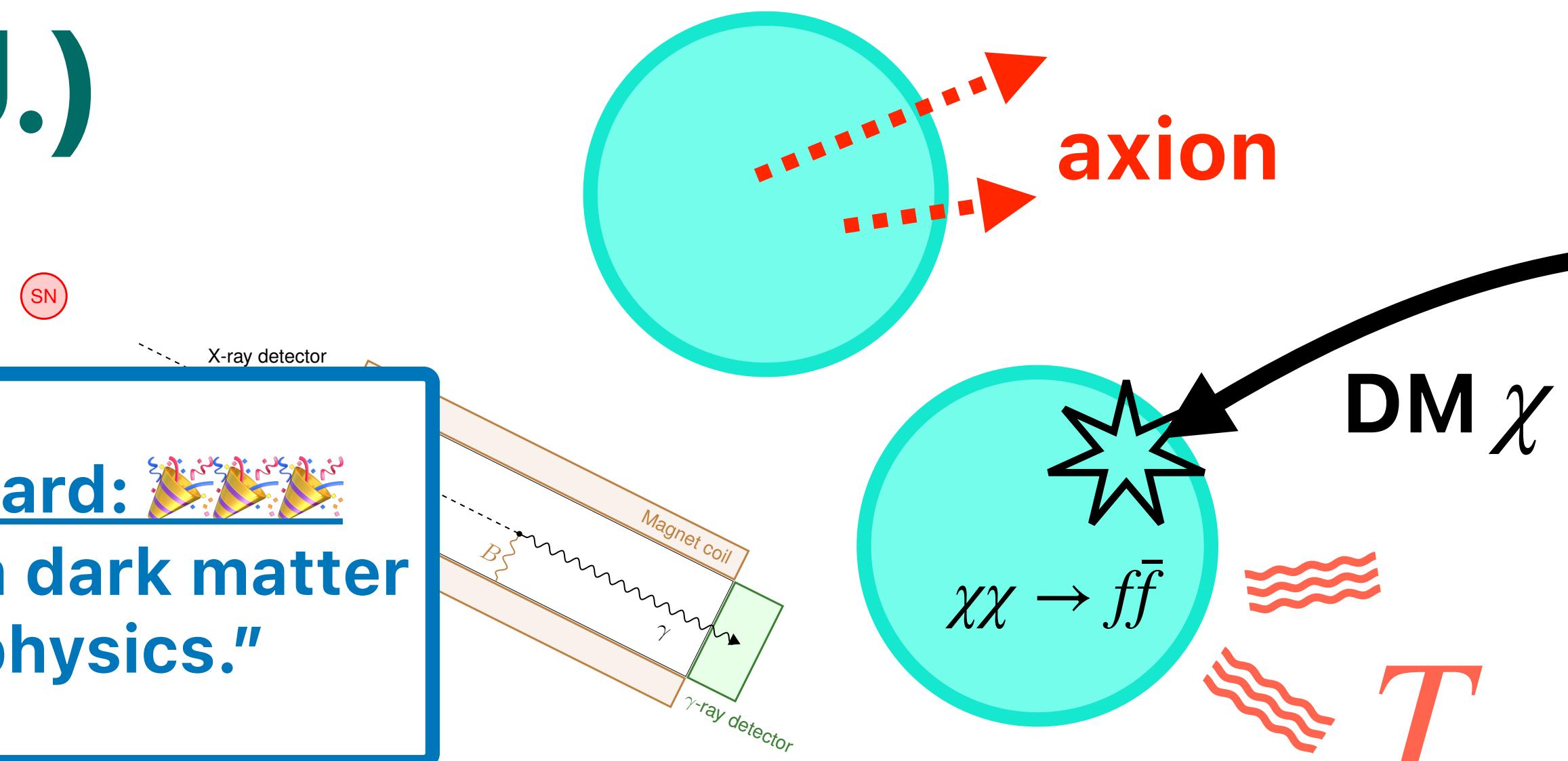
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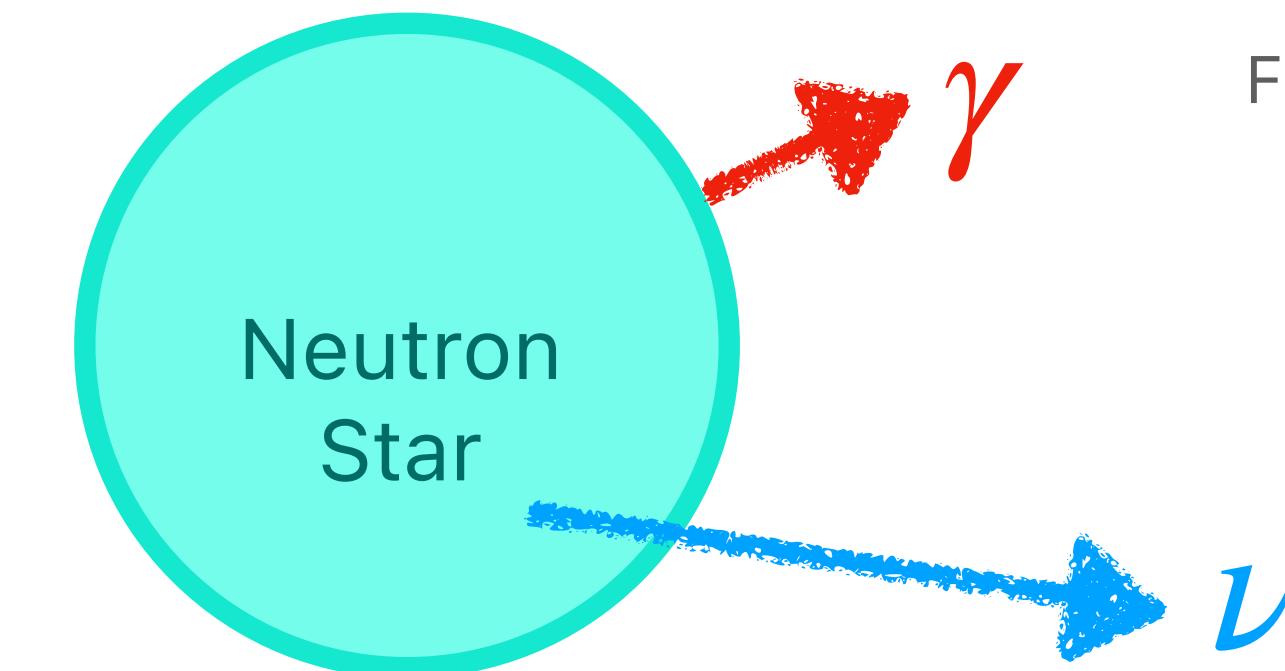
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Temperature evolution of isolated NS

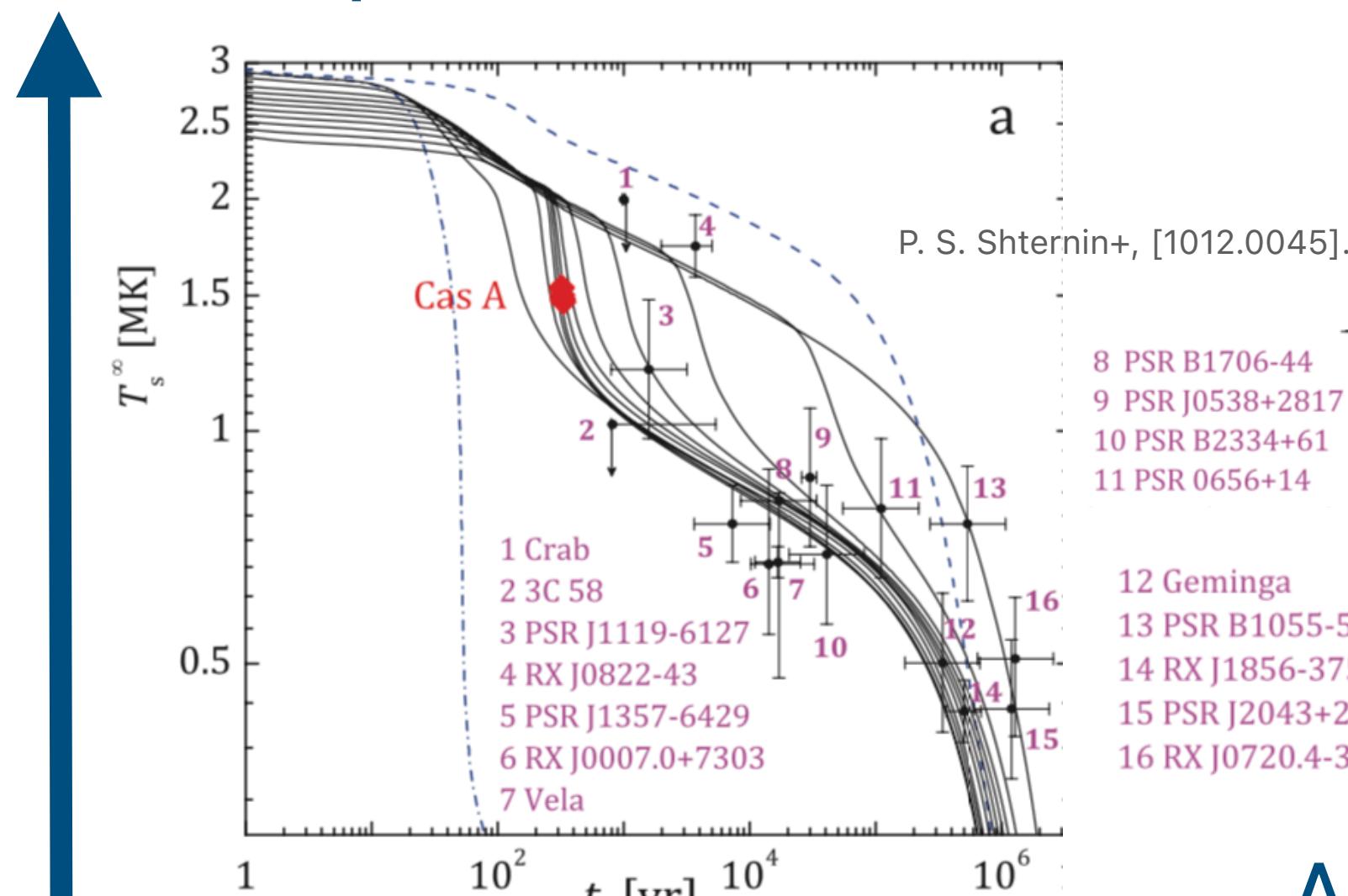
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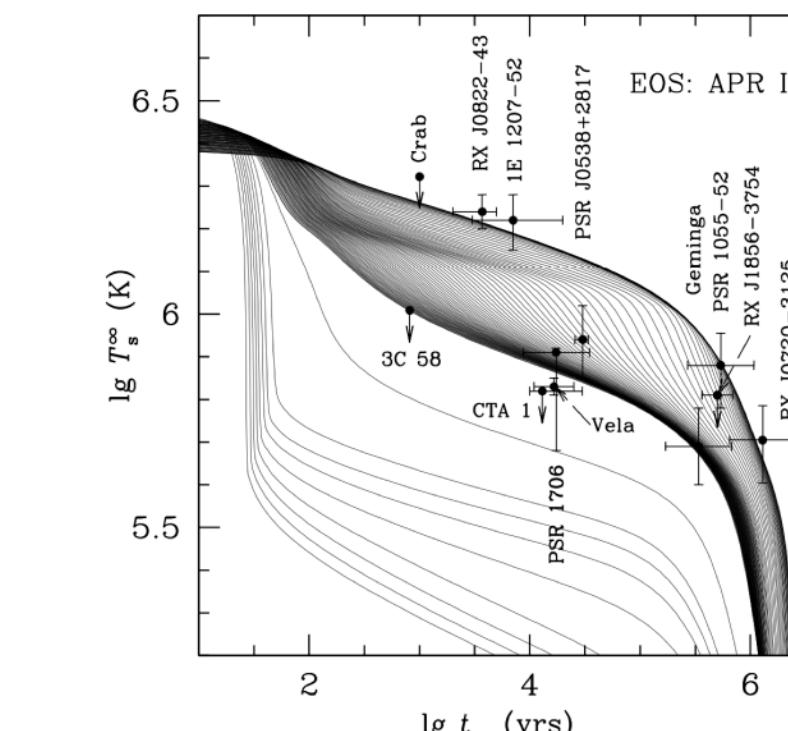
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The standard cooling scenario can successfully explain many isolated NS temperature observations.

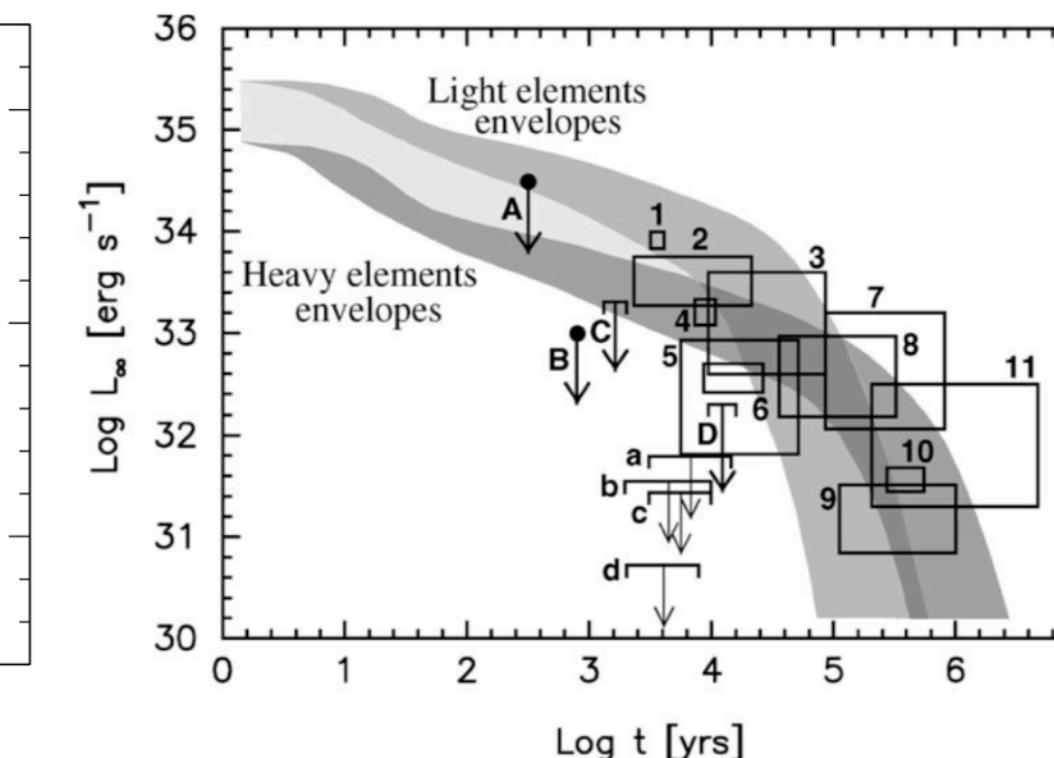
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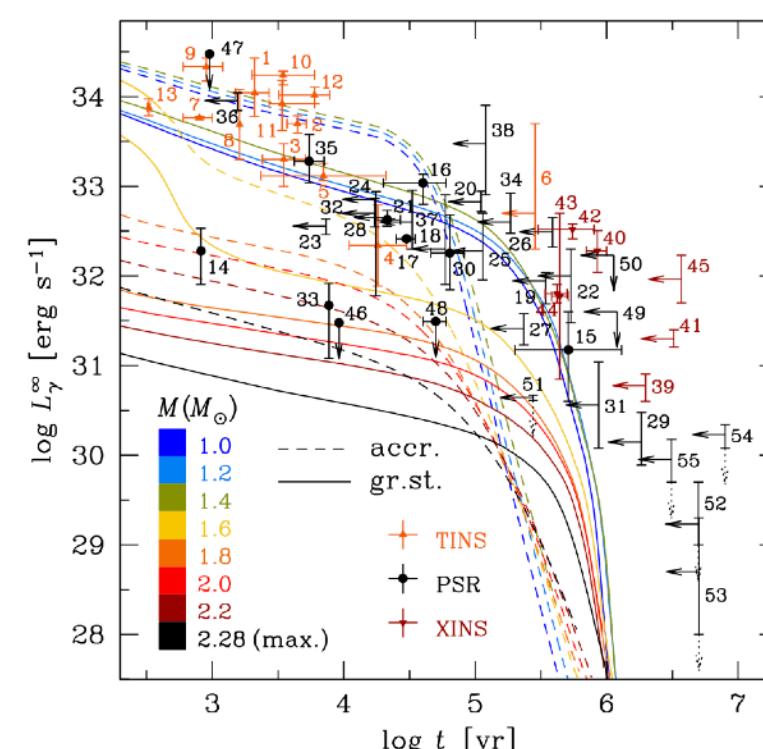
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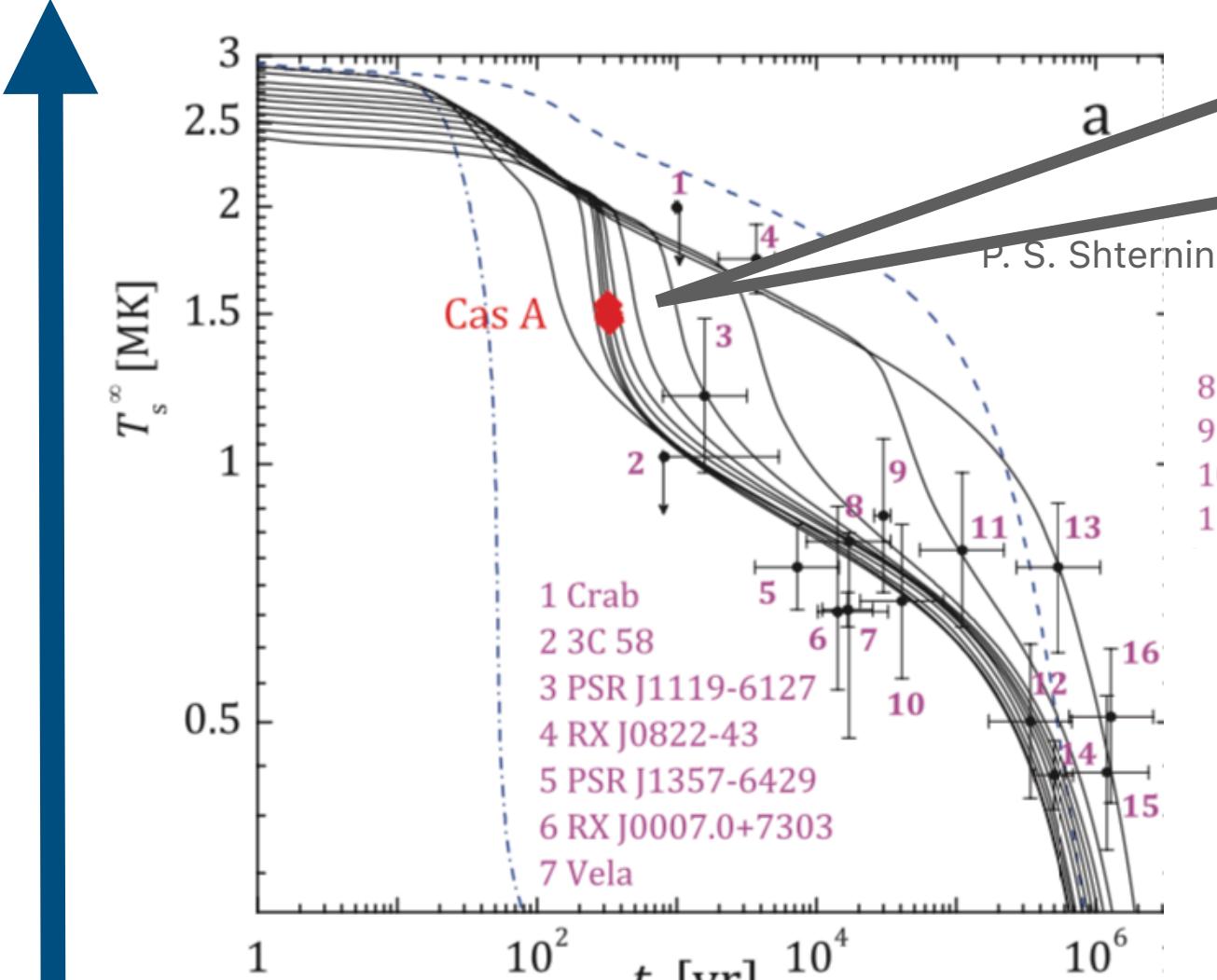
Ages of Neutron Stars
estimated by spin-down age $\tau_{\text{sd}} = P/(2\dot{P})$ or kinematics.

This talk

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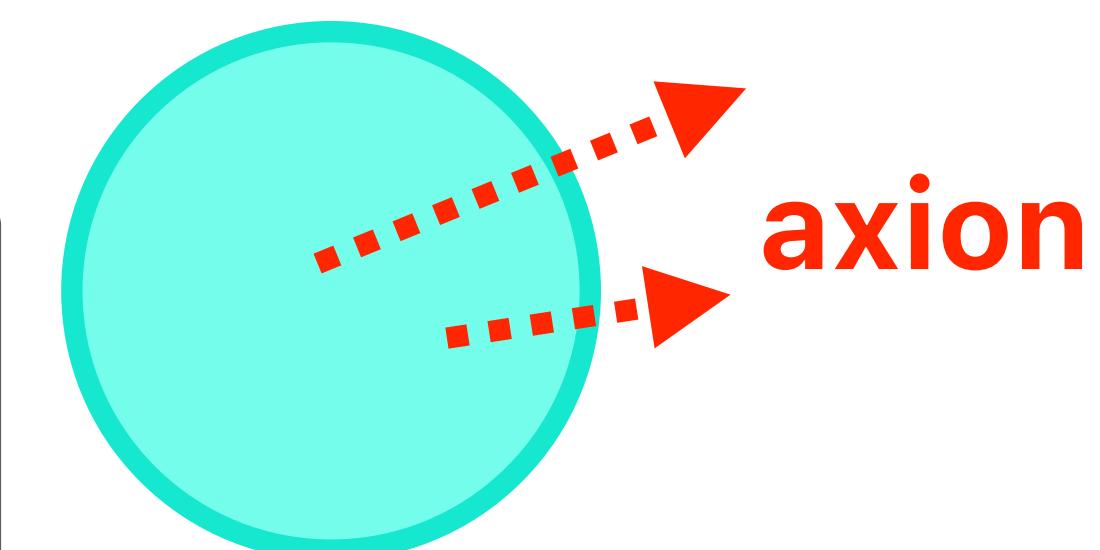
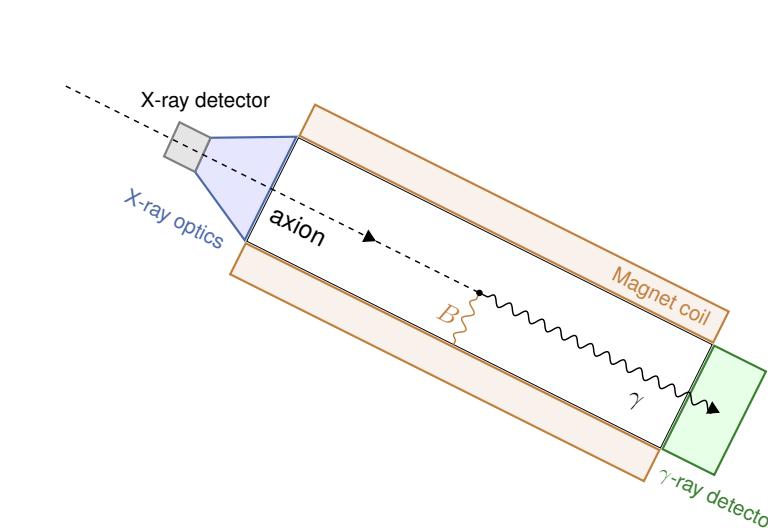
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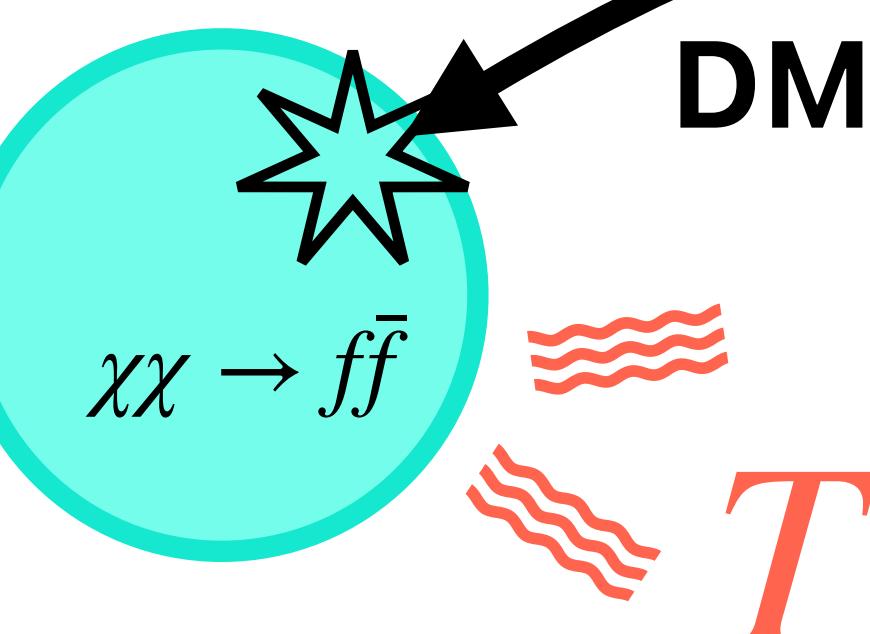


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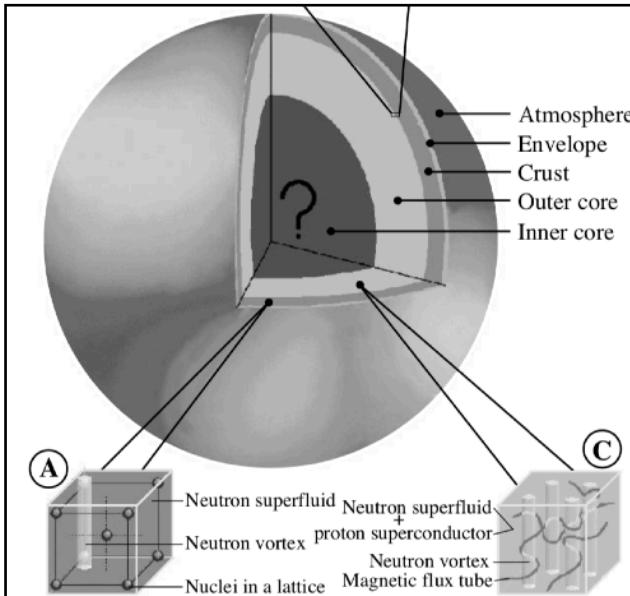


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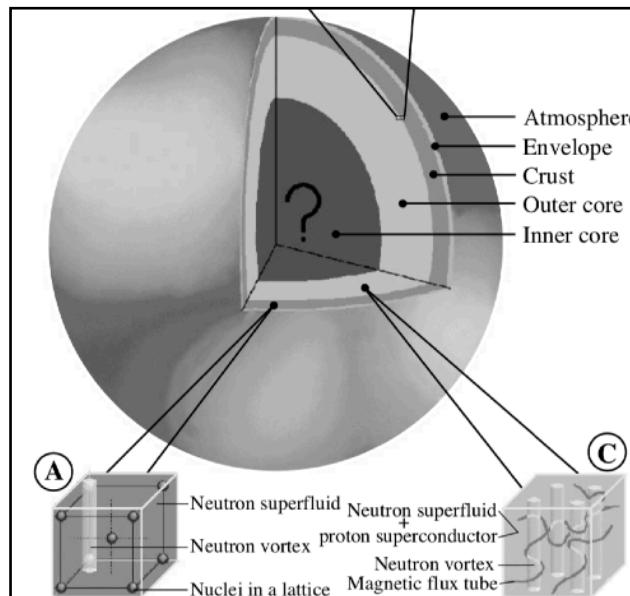


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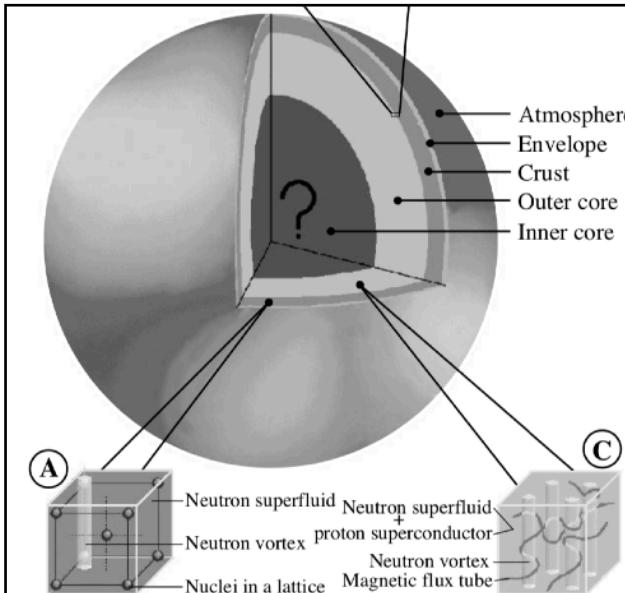


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cf. nuclear density $\sim 3 \times 10^{14} \text{g/cm}^3$

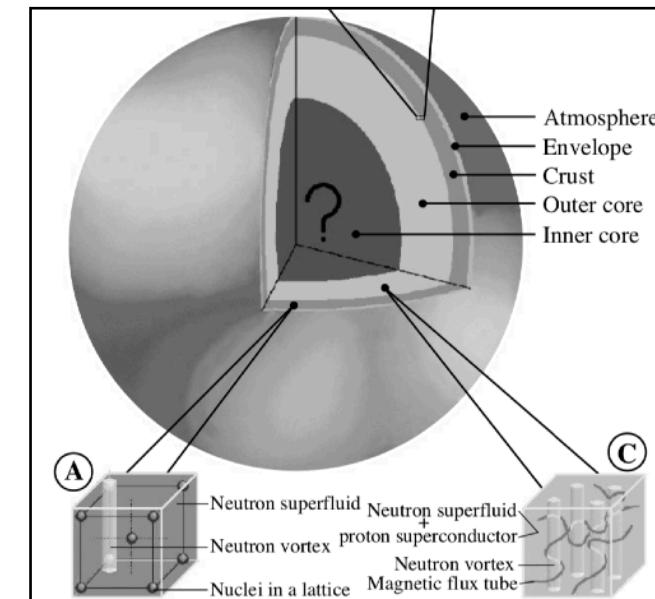


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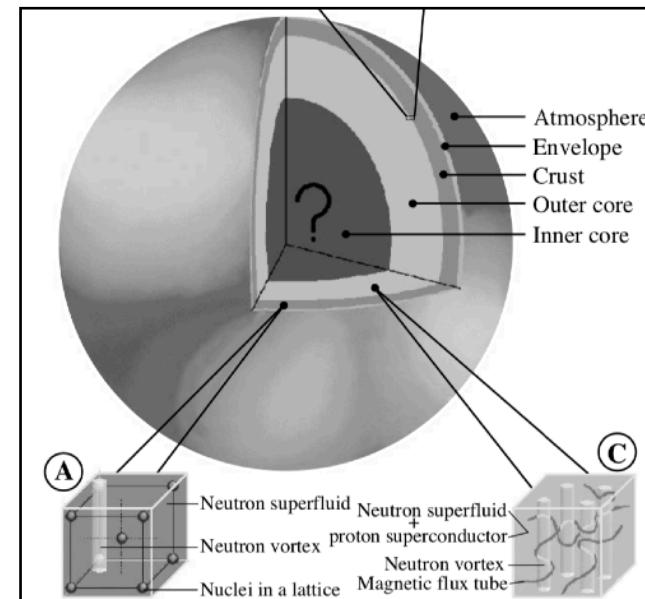


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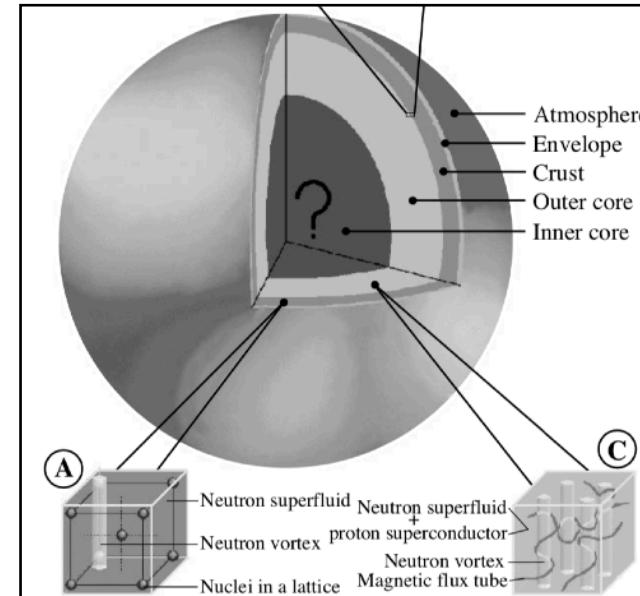
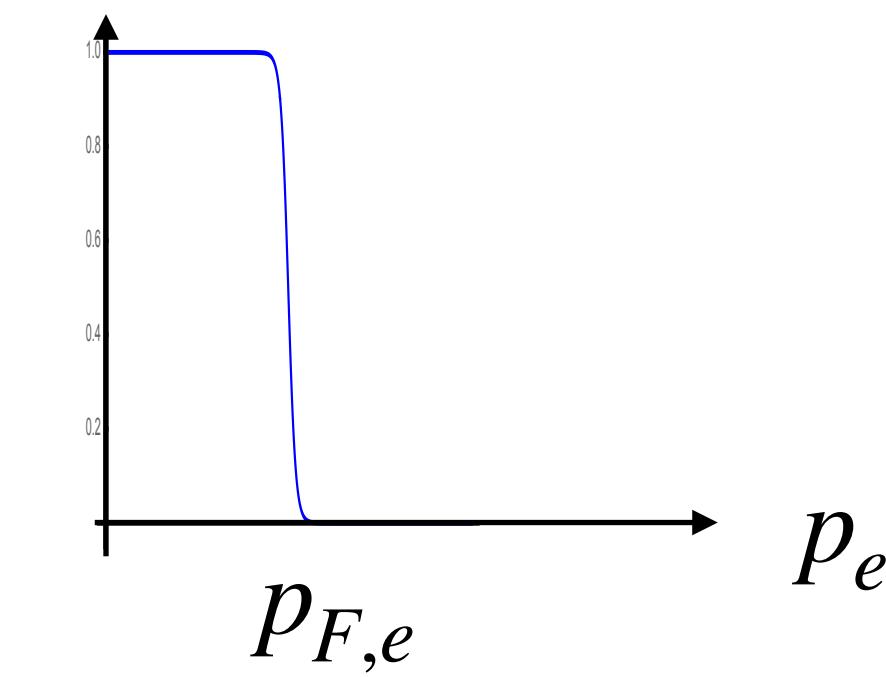
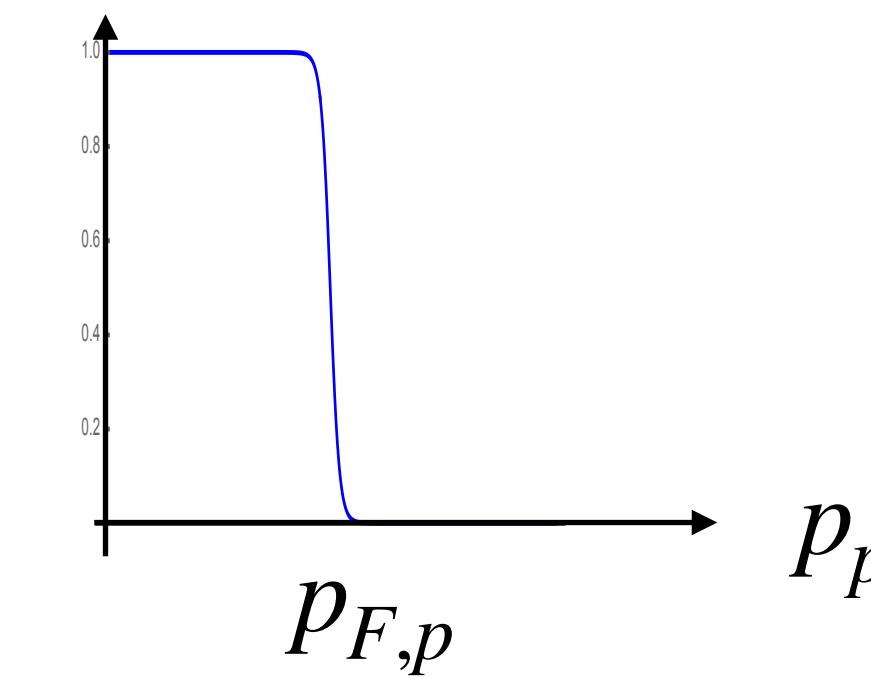
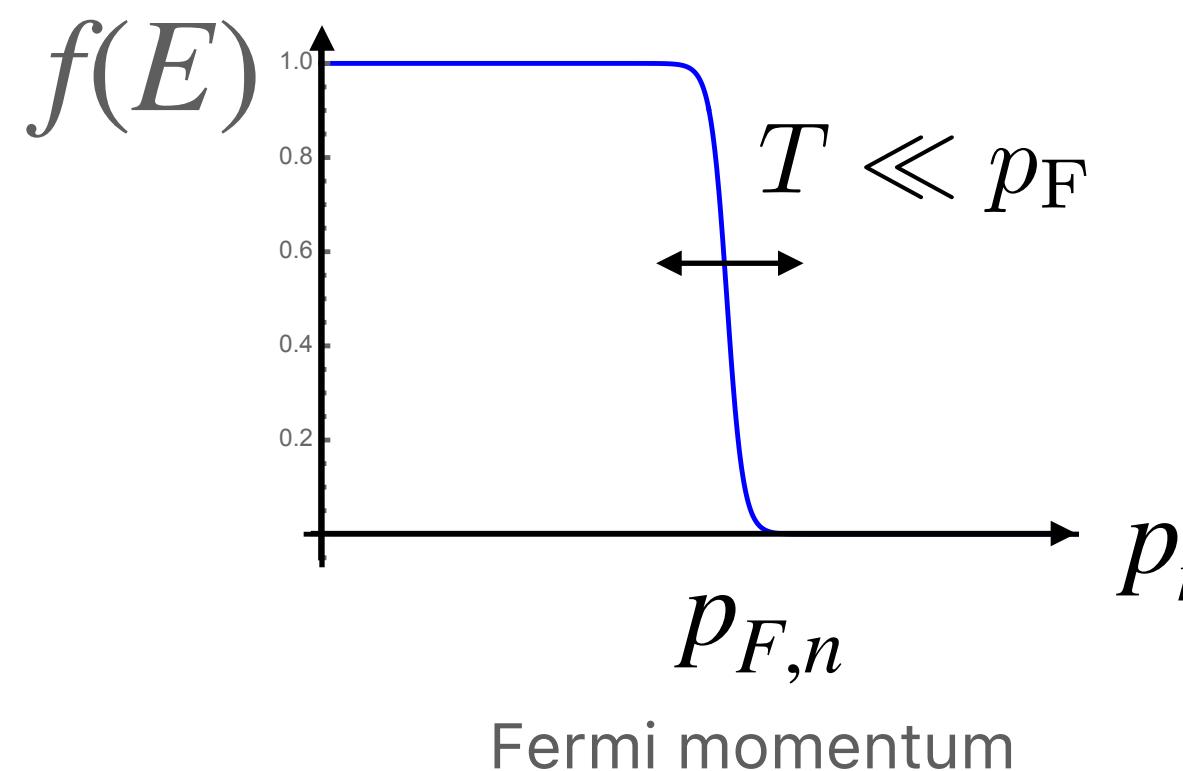


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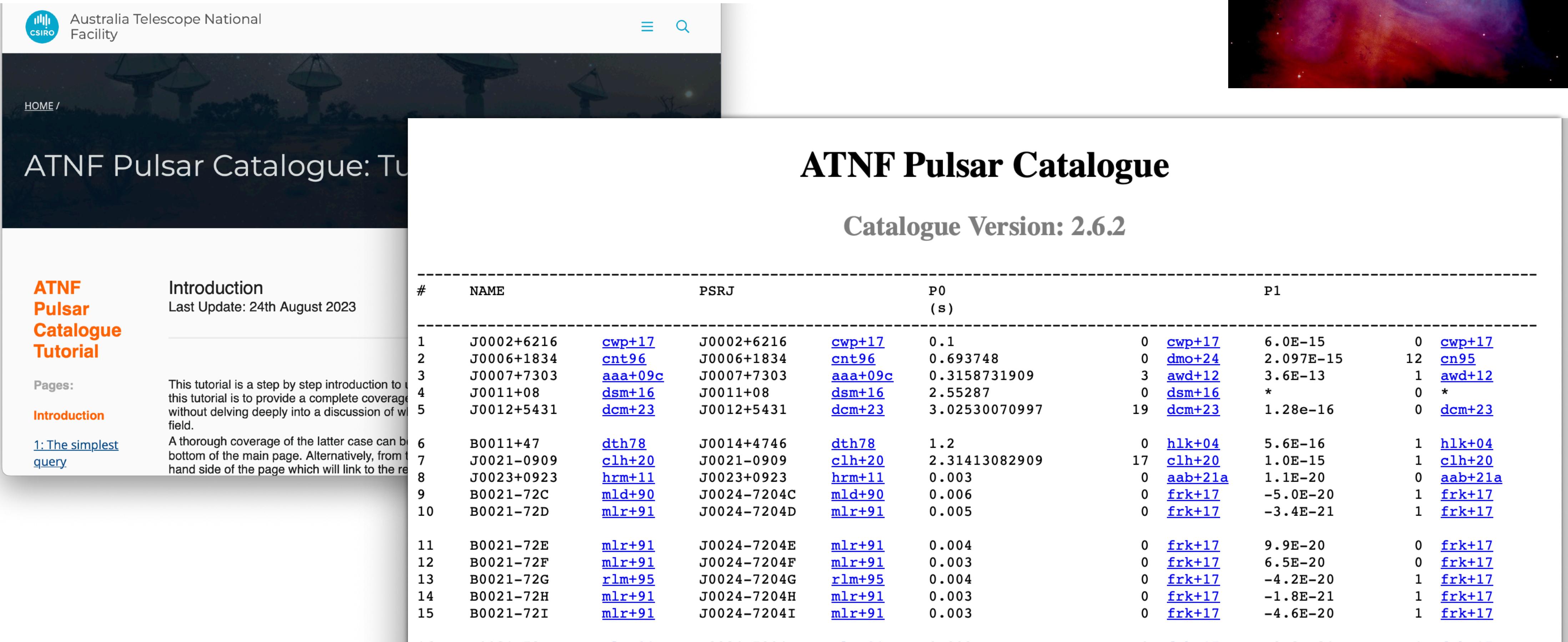
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> 3800 pulsars found so far.

ATNF pulsar catalogue:



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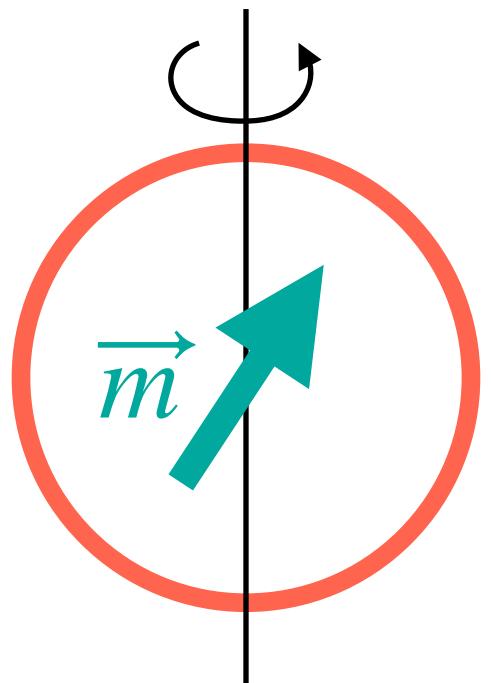
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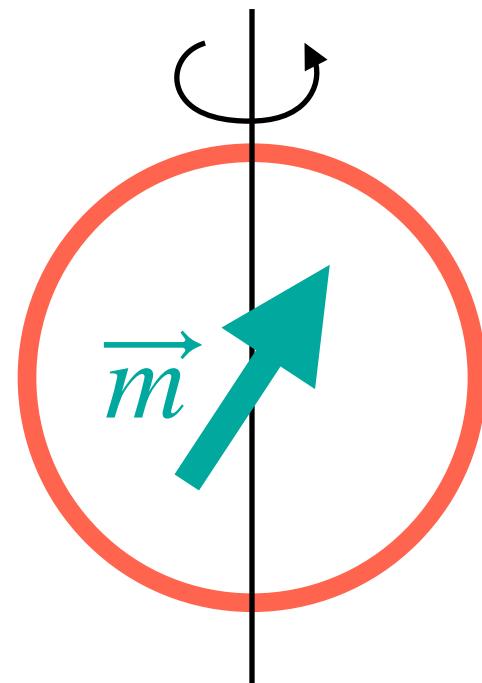


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Example: Crab Pulsar

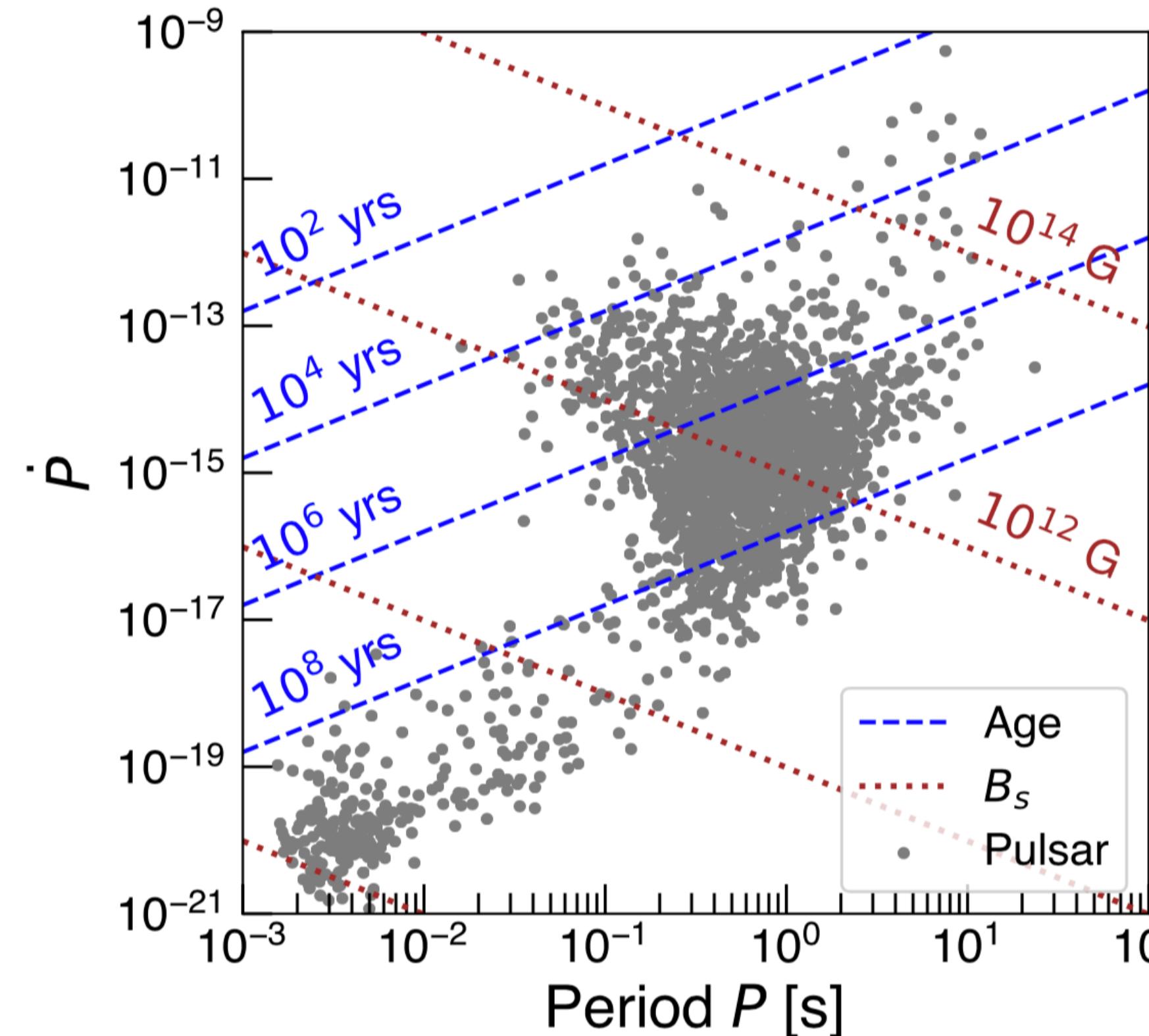
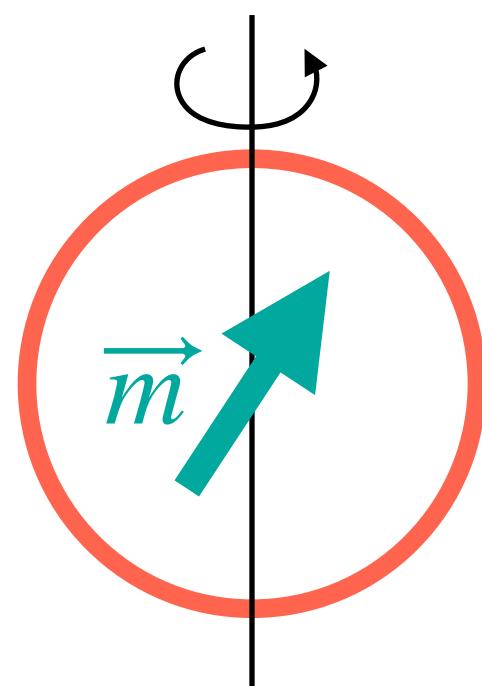
- actual age: $\tau = 970$ yrs (from historical records of Supernova 1054.)
- spin down age: $P \simeq 0.033$ sec, $\dot{P} \simeq 4.2 \times 10^{-13}$ $\Rightarrow \tau_{\text{sd}} \simeq 1200$ yrs



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$P - \dot{P}$ diagram

\Leftrightarrow Age and magnetic field of pulsars.



Fig. thanks to N.Natsumi.

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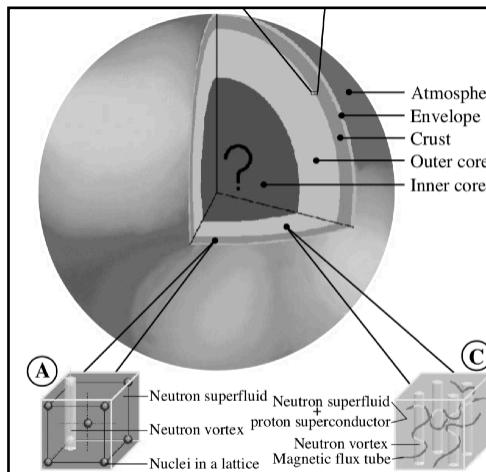
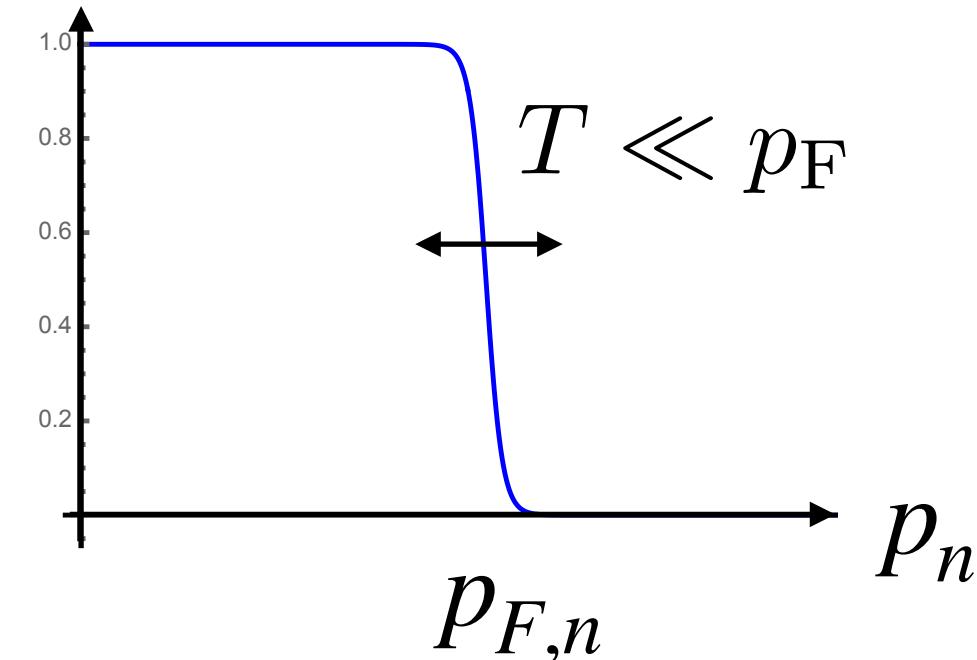


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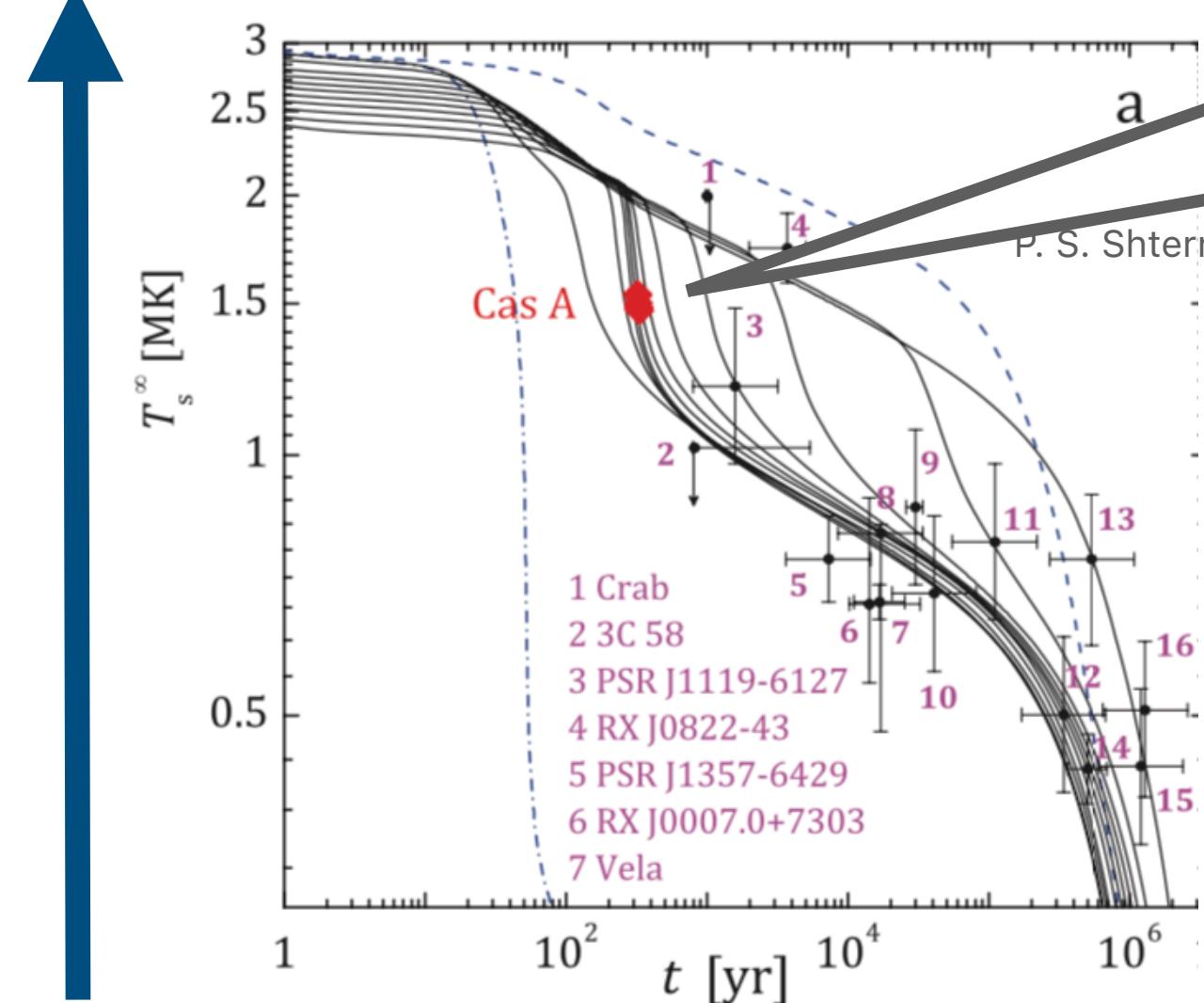


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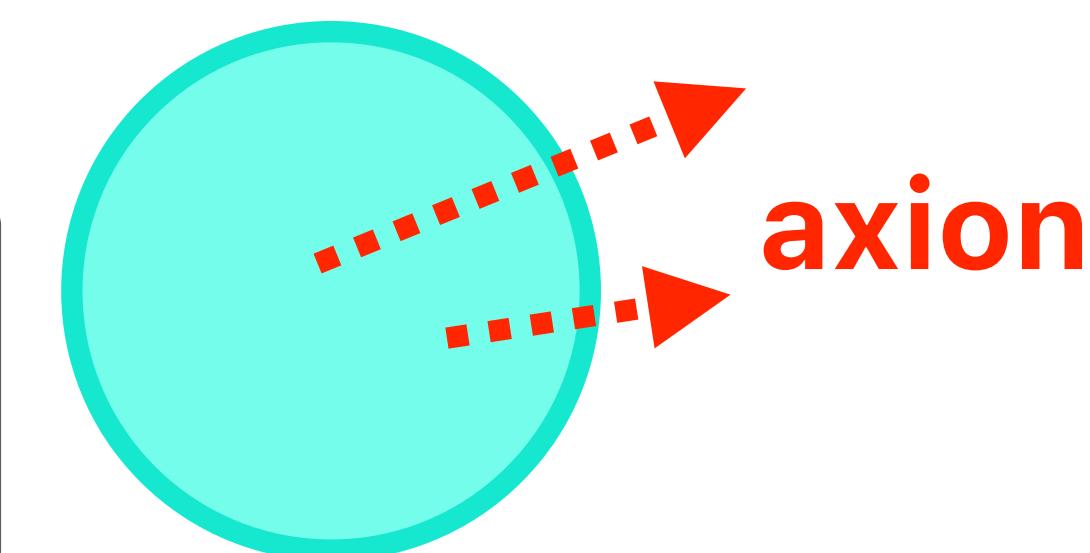
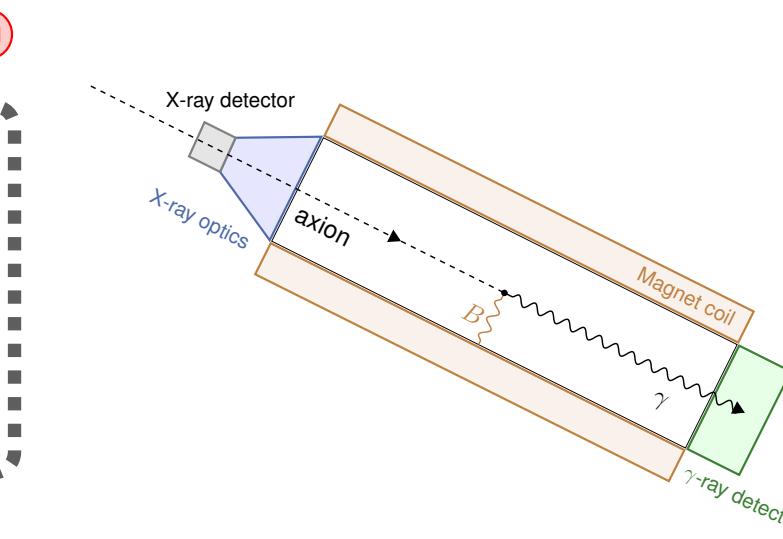
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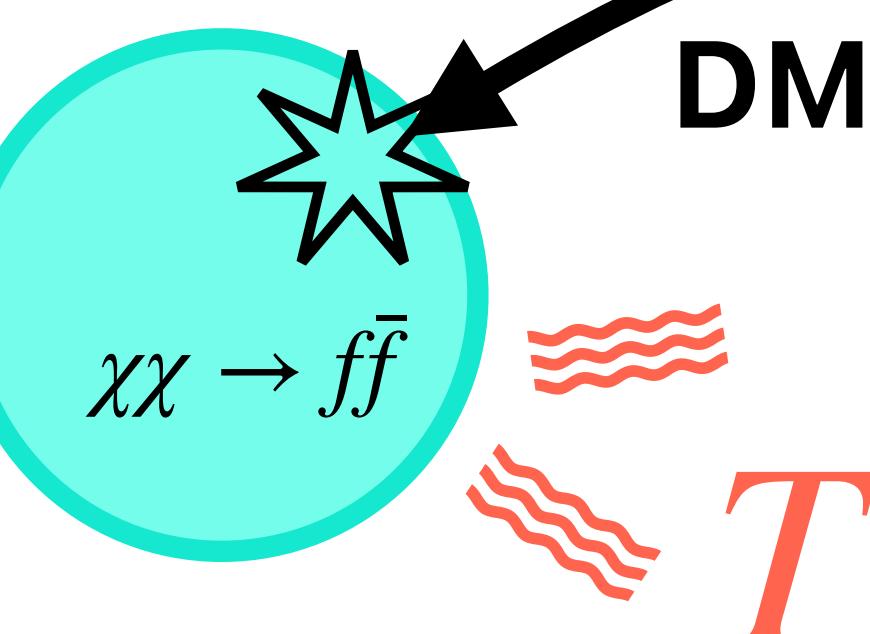


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A quick break... Any questions?



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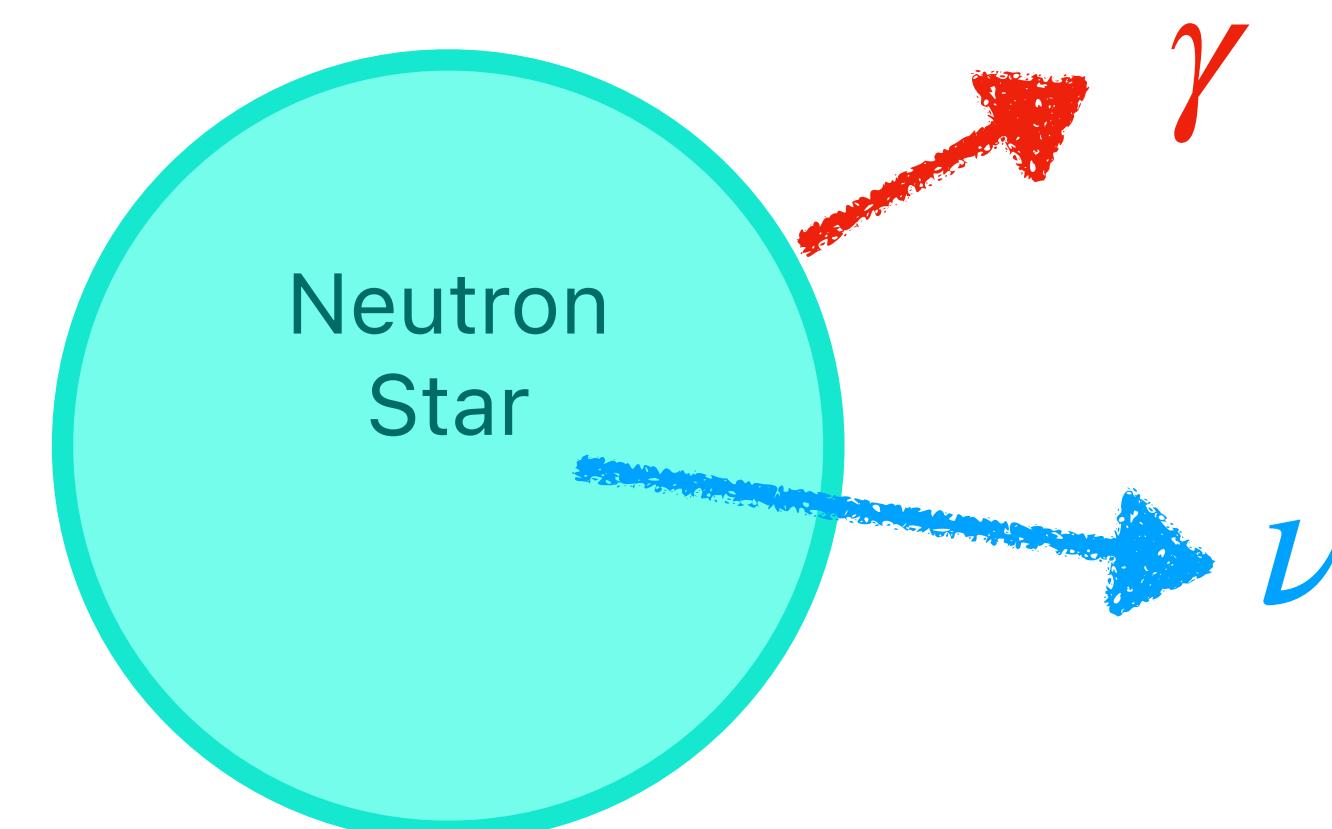
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RHS = Cooling Luminosity.

LHS = Temperature Evolution.

$$C = \frac{dE_{\text{thermal}}}{dT} \text{ (heat capacity)}$$

$$C = C_n + C_p + C_e + C_\mu$$



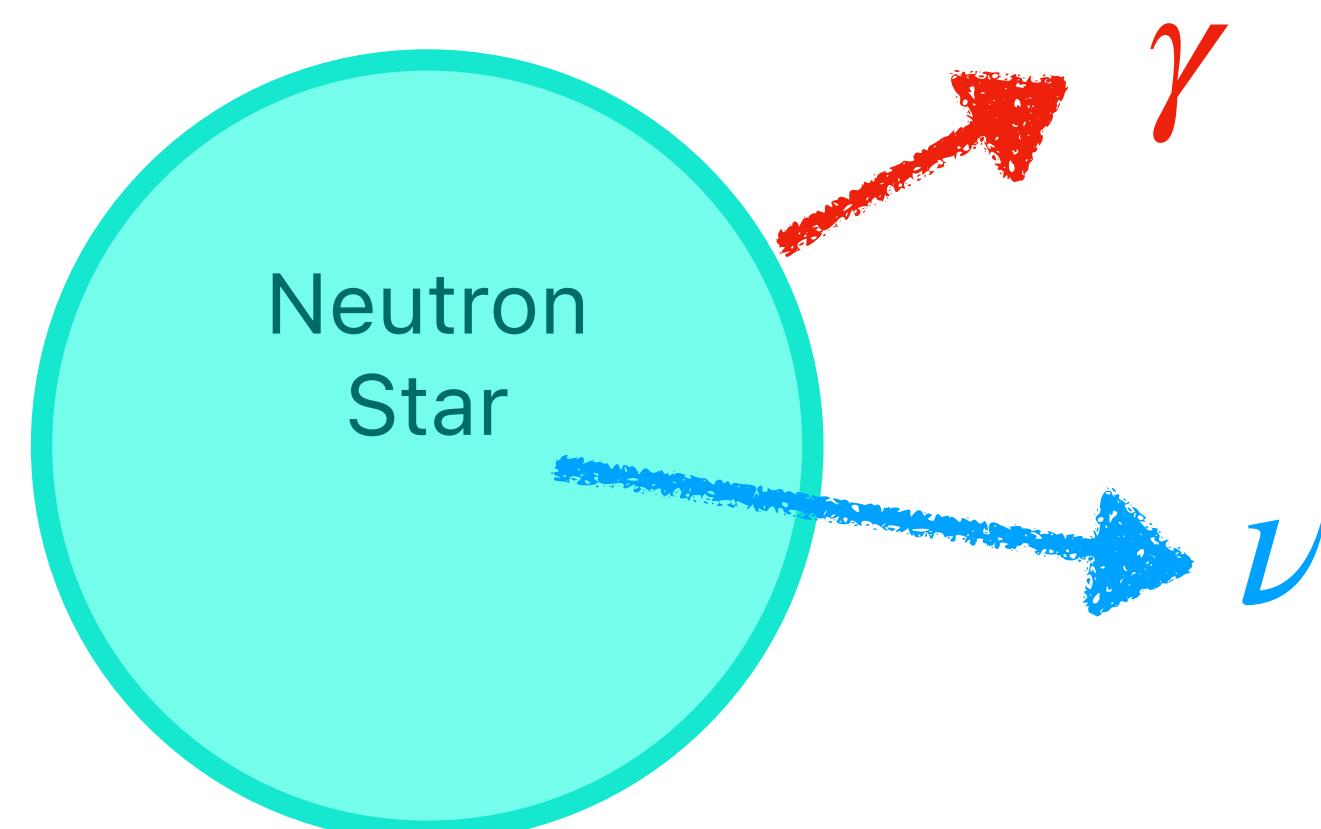
✖ assuming isothermal state $T(r) \propto e^{-\Phi(r)}$ for simplicity (valid for $t \gtrsim 100$ sec).

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Photon emission
 $L_\gamma = 4\pi R^2 \sigma_{SB} T_s^4$
dominant process for an old NS ($\tau \gtrsim 10^5$ yrs).



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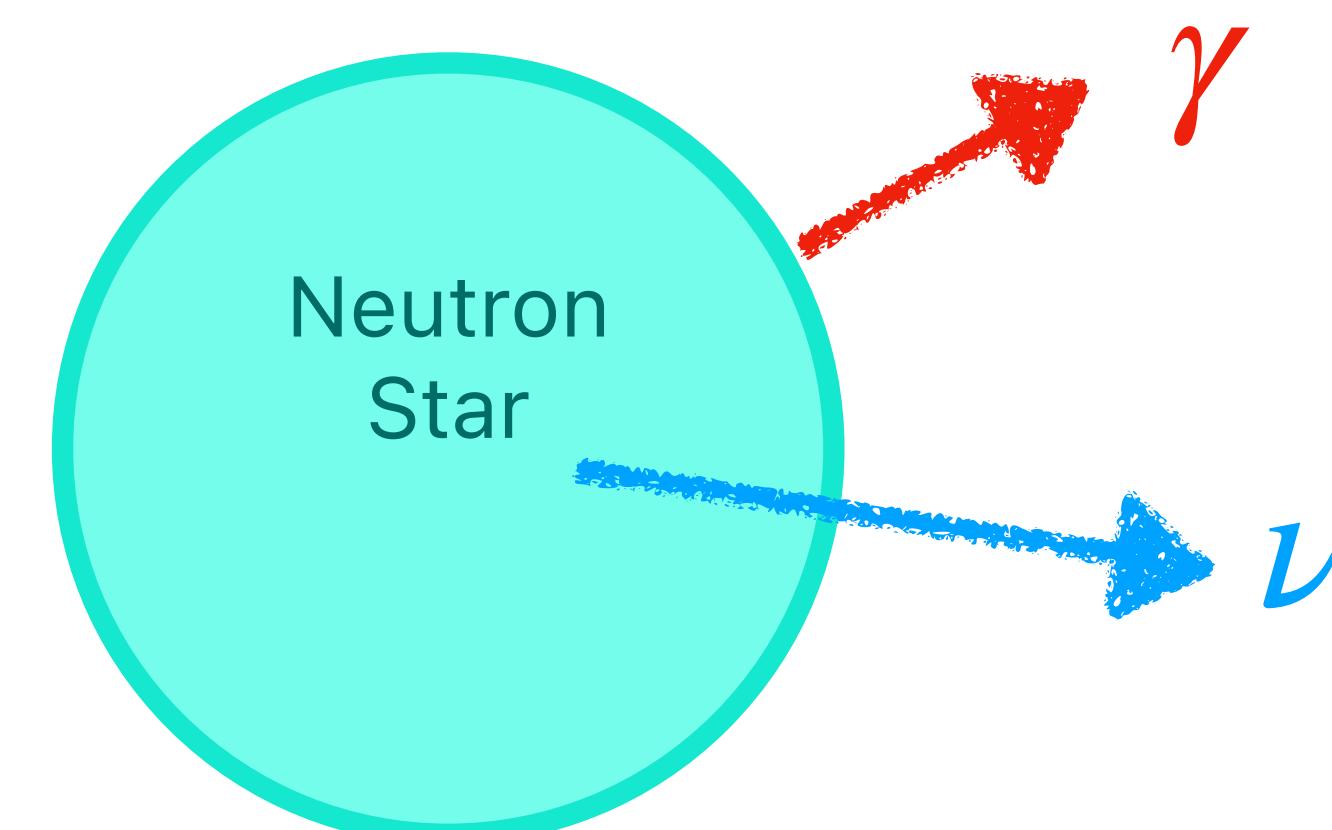
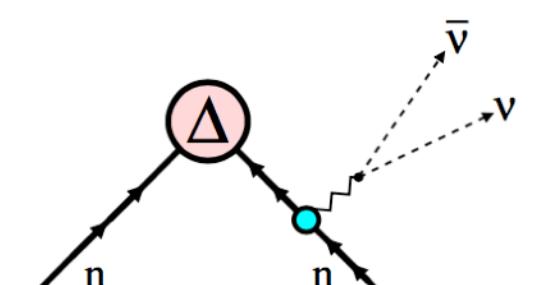
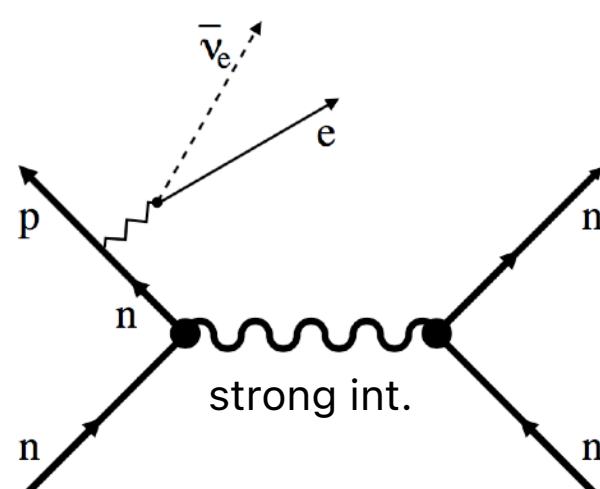
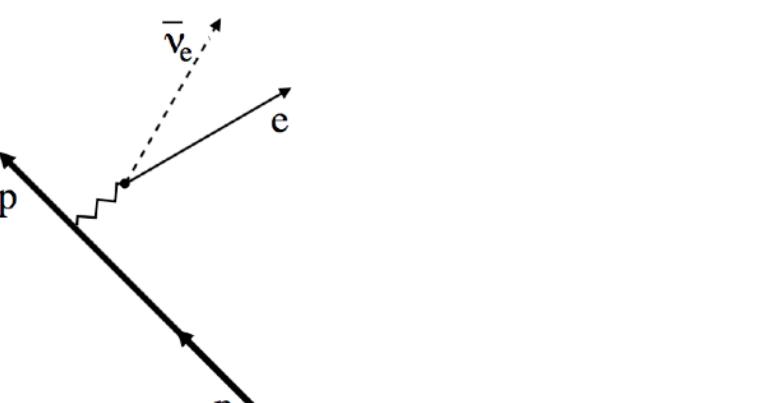
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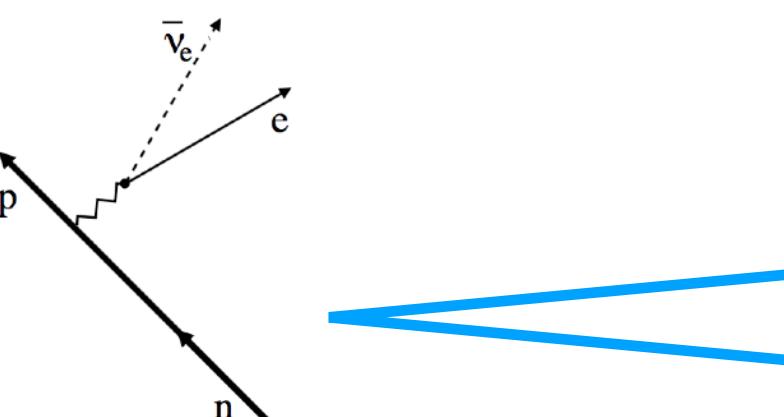
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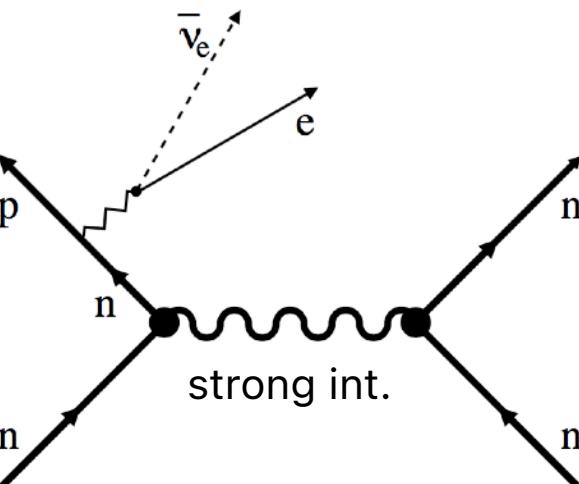
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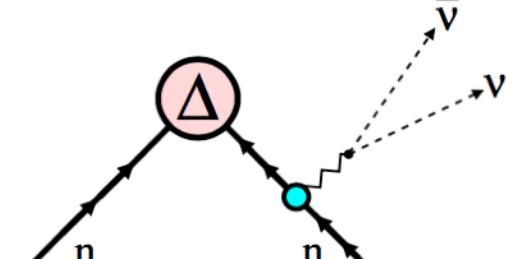
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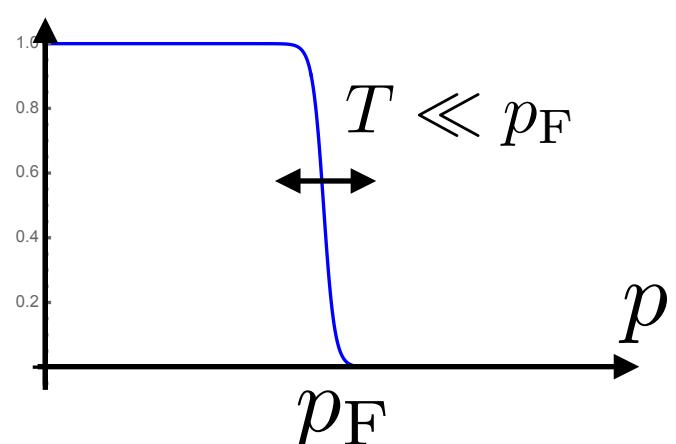
β decay and its inverse: $\begin{cases} n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e \\ p + e^- \rightarrow n + \nu_e \end{cases}$

It does **NOT** work in typical NS because $p_{p,F} + p_{e,F} < p_{n,F}$.

Discarded in "minimal cooling" scenario.

D.Page+, astro-ph/0403657,
M.E.Gusakov+, astro-ph/0404002,
D.Page+, 0906.1621

* Neutron, proton, electron
are all **Fermi degenerate**.



NS Standard Cooling Theory

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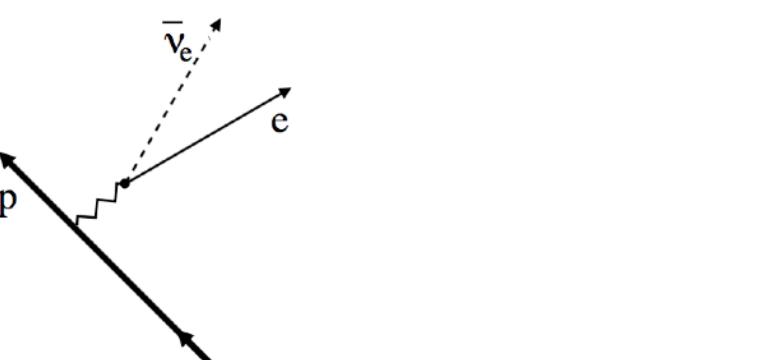
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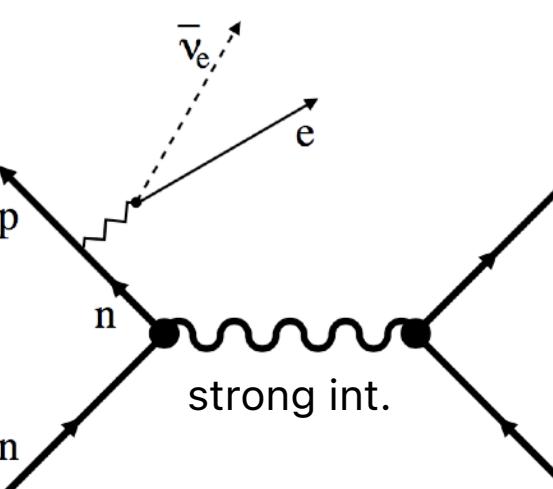
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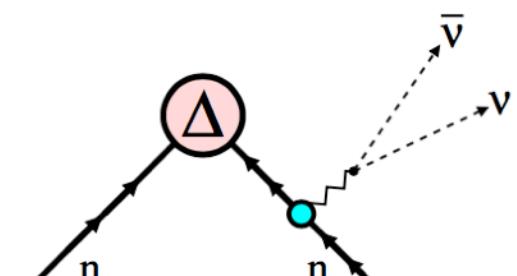
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• **Modified Urca**
(& Bremsstrahlung)



• **PBF**



Modified Urca

$n + N \rightarrow p + e^- + N + \bar{\nu}_e$ ($N = p$ or n)
 $p + N + e^- \rightarrow n + N + \nu_e$
dominant process for $T > T_c$

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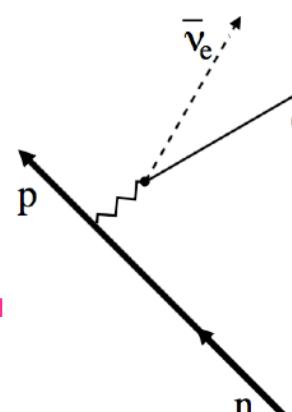
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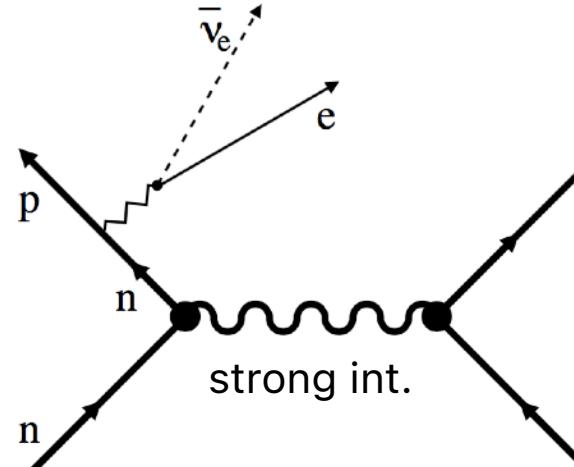
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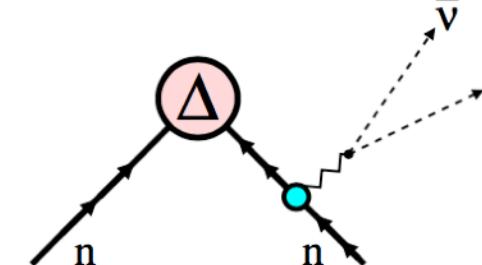
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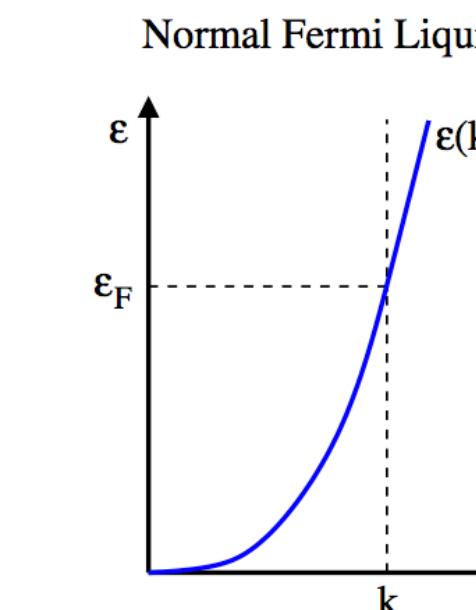


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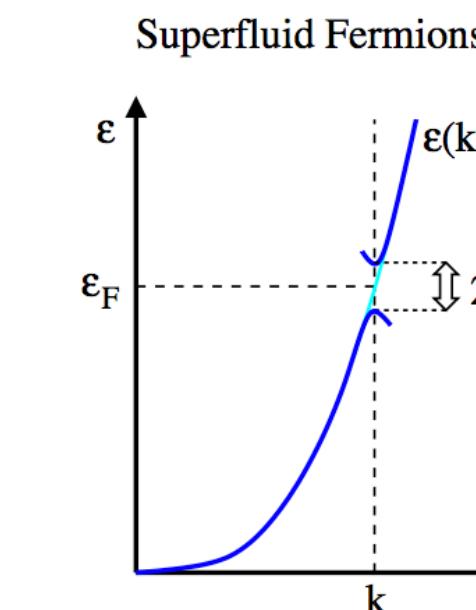


At $T < T_c$, Cooper pairing (p-p and n-n) occurs.

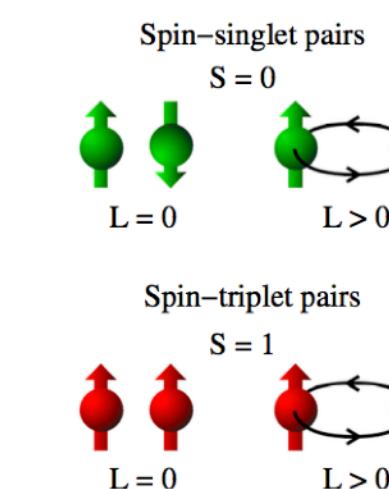
Superfluidity



$T > T_c$



$T < T_c$



neutron-singlet pair (1S_0)
neutron-triplet pair (3P_2)
proton-singlet pair (1S_0)

- Heat capacity C is suppressed.
- M.Urca luminosity $L_{\nu, MU}$ is suppressed.
- PBF occurs at $T < T_c$.

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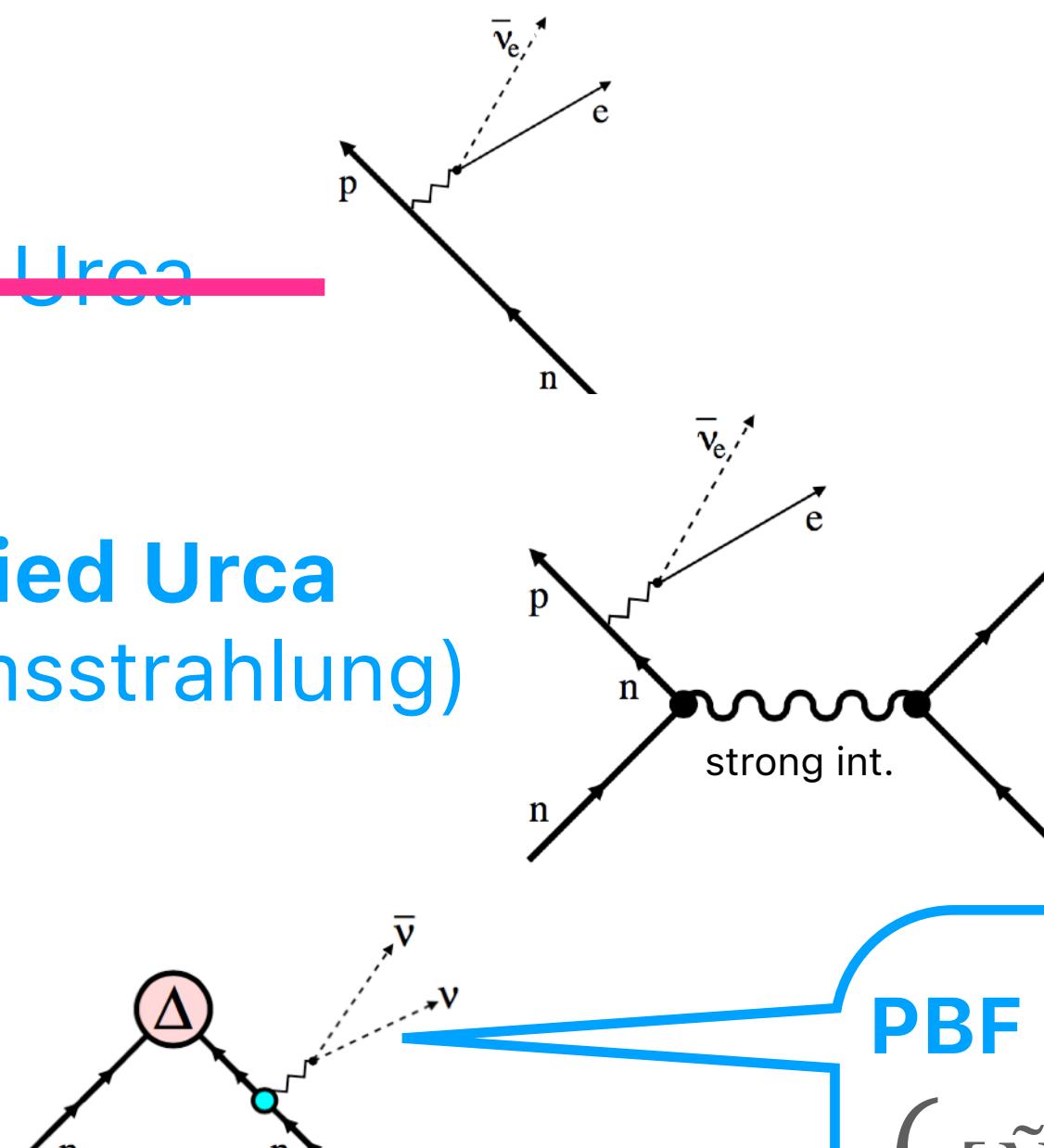
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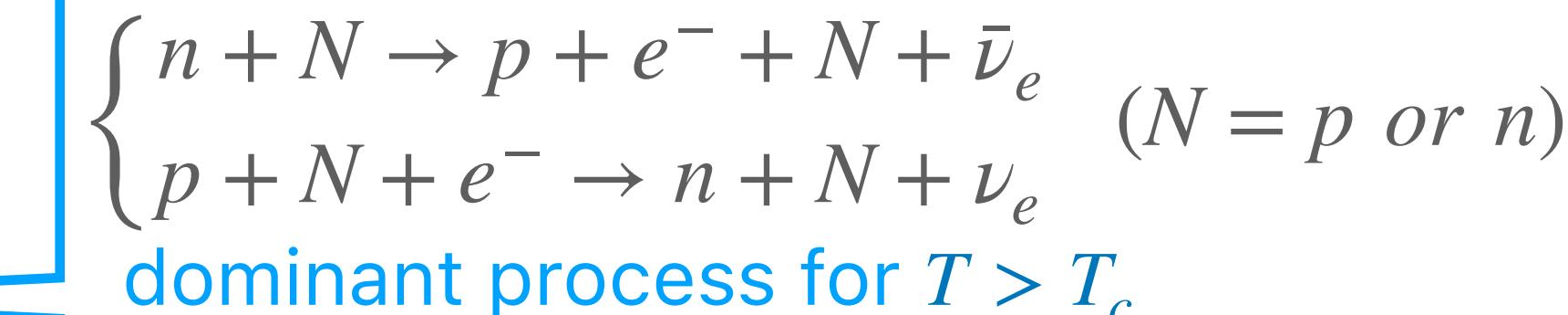
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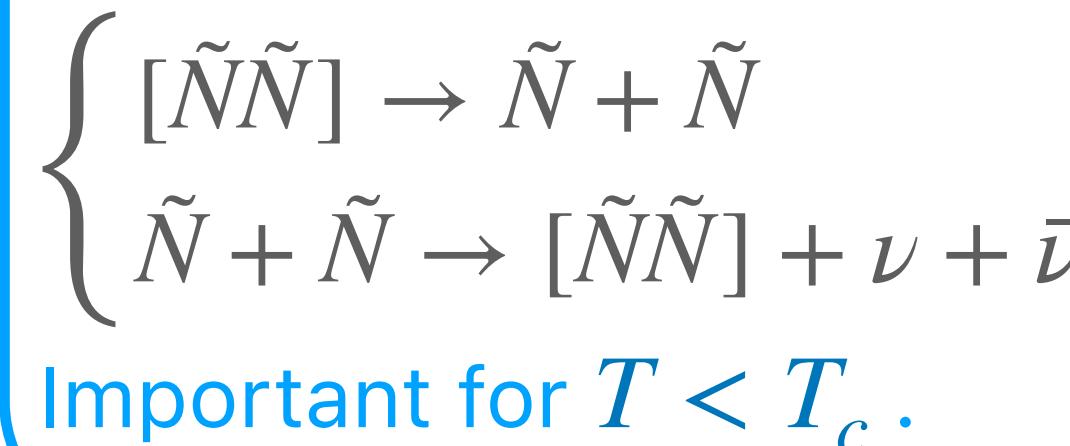
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Modified Urca



PBF (Cooper-pair breaking and formation)



(\tilde{N} : quasi-particle, $[\tilde{N}\tilde{N}]$: Cooper-pair)

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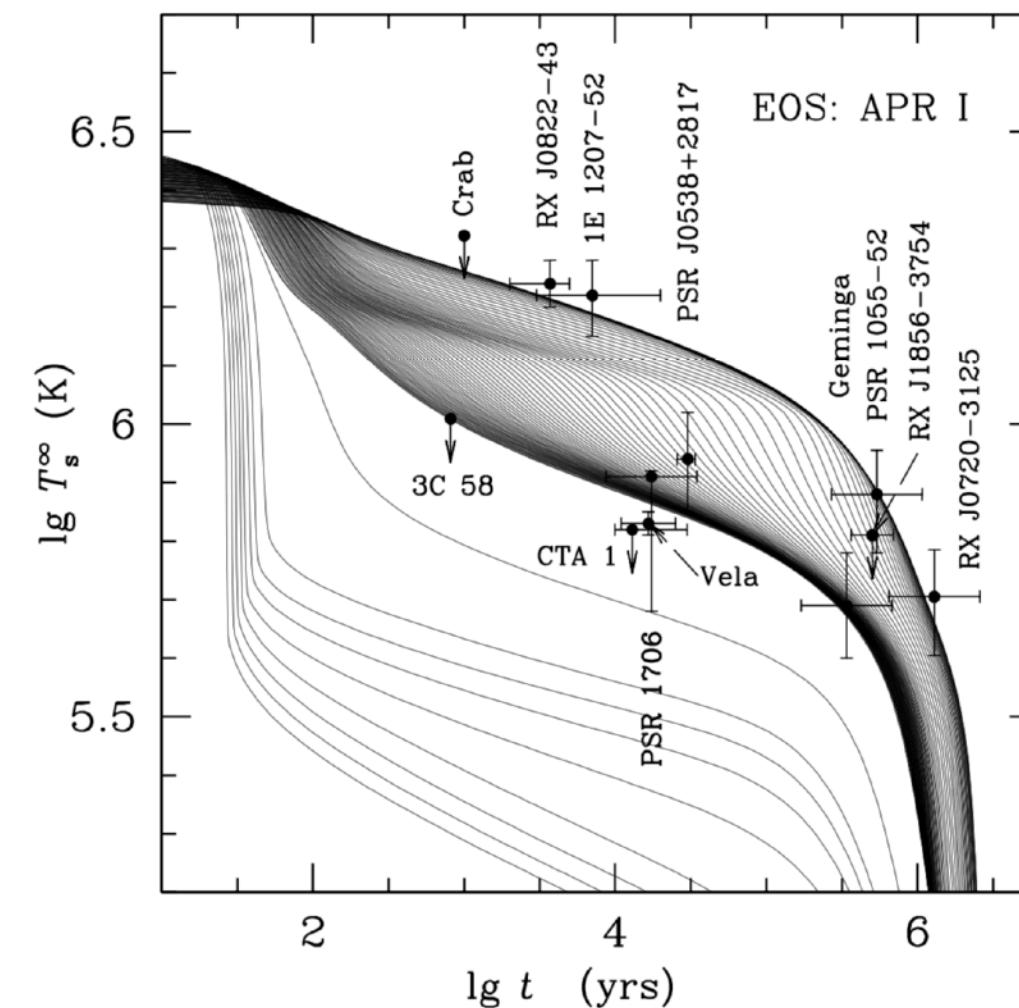
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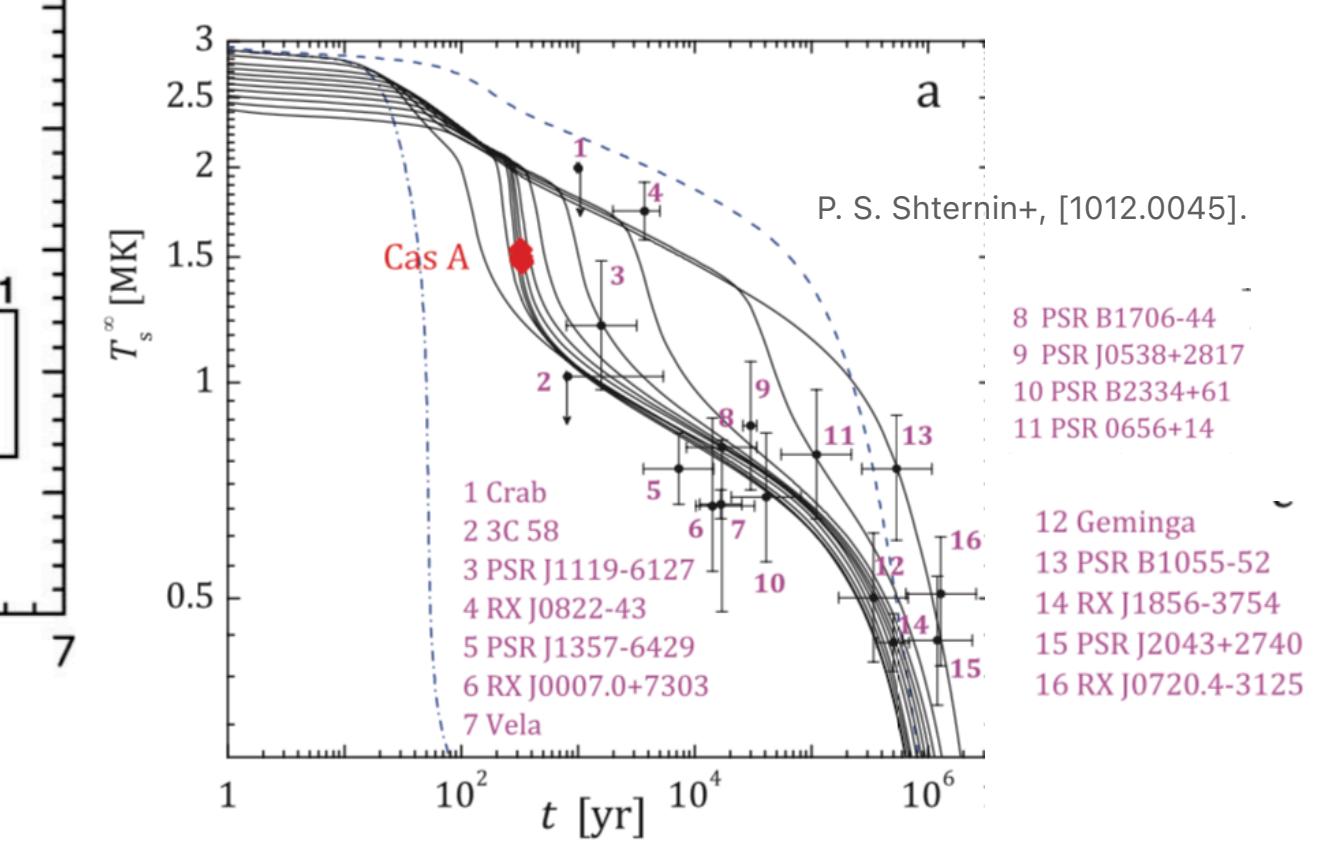
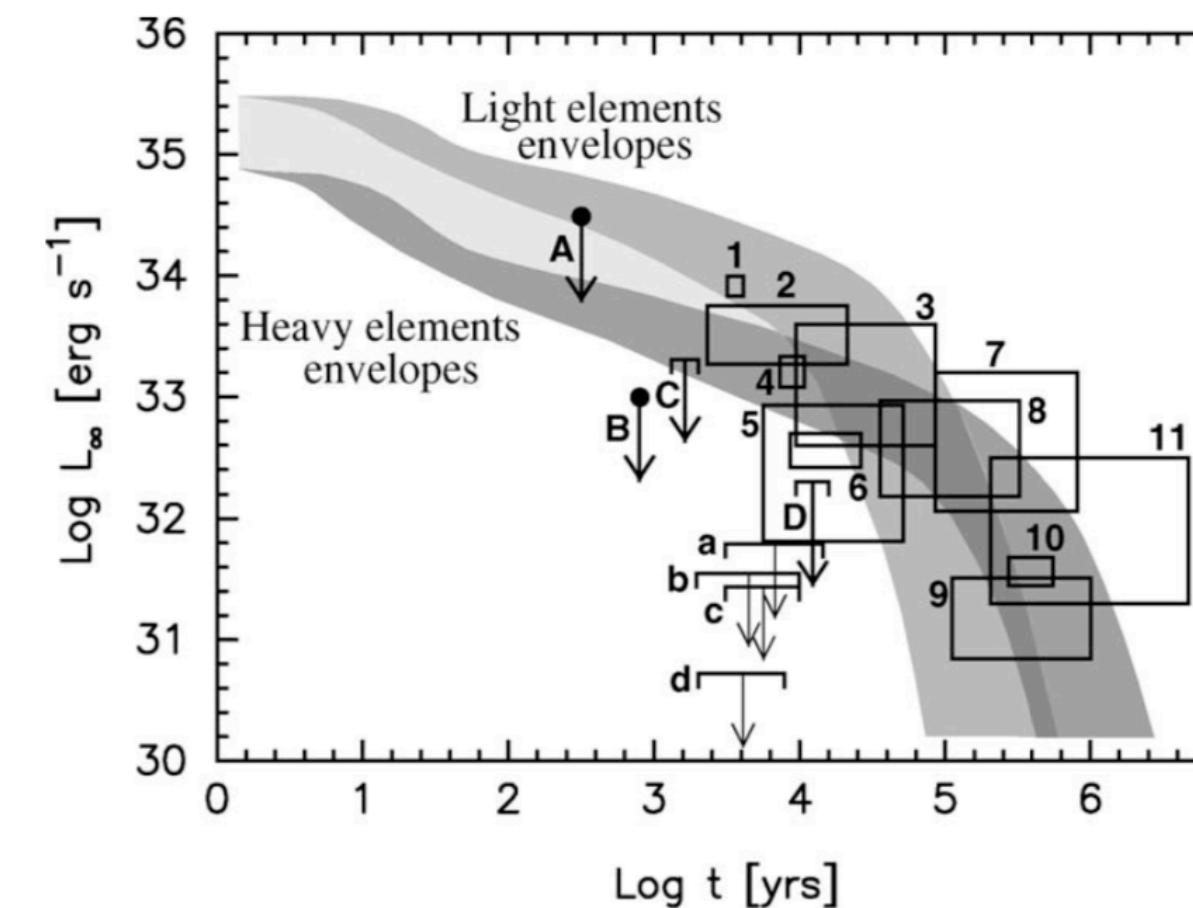
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A quick break again.
Any questions?



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① Cas A NS Cooling by axion

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Axion

- A hypothetical particle, introduced to solve the **strong CP problem** in QCD.
- Nambu-Goldstone boson.
- Very light: $m_a \ll 1$ eV.
- Very weak interaction with Standard Model particles.

$$\text{interaction} \propto \frac{1}{f_a}, \quad f_a \gtrsim 10^8 \text{ GeV}.$$

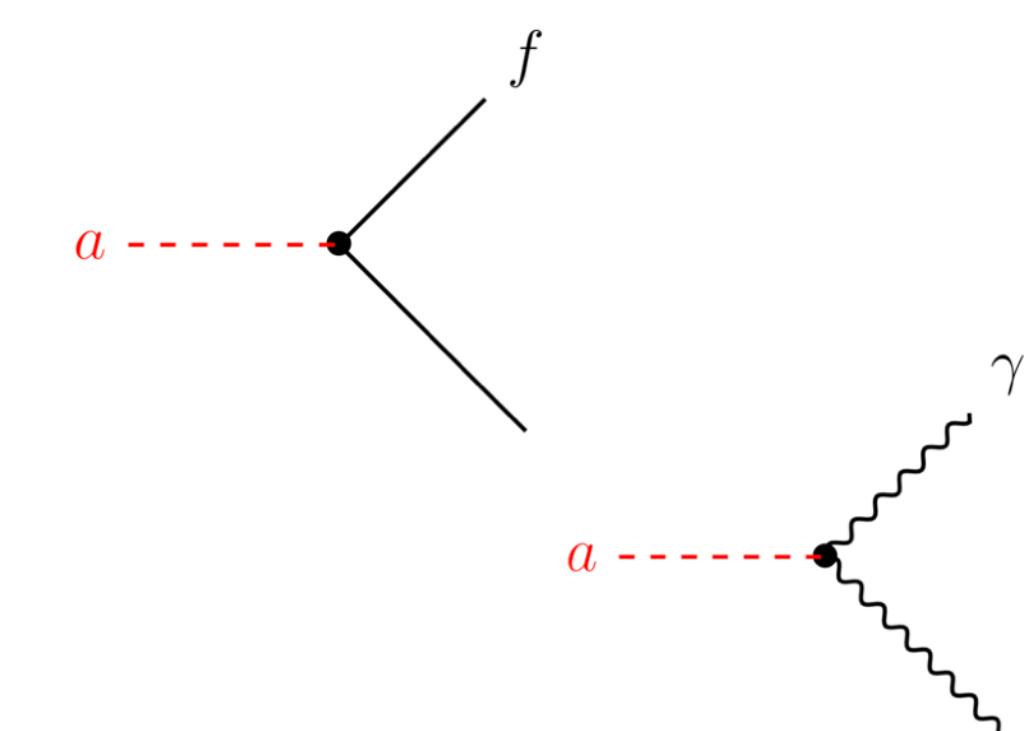
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} \ni \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \theta G_{\mu\nu}^a \widetilde{G}^{a\mu\nu} - \sum_q m_q \bar{q} \theta_q i\gamma_5 q$$

Experimental constraint (neutron EDM)

$$|\bar{\theta}| \lesssim 10^{-10} \quad \left(\bar{\theta} = \theta + \sum_q \theta_q \right) \text{ Why?}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} \underbrace{G^{a\mu\nu} \widetilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a}_{\text{gluon}} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{C_{a\gamma\gamma}}{f_a} \underbrace{a F_{\mu\nu} \widetilde{F}^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{photon}} + \sum_{\substack{f = \text{quarks,} \\ \text{leptons}}} \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_f}{f_a} \bar{f} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 f \partial_\mu a.$$

$$C_{a\gamma\gamma} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left(\frac{E}{N} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{4m_d + m_u}{m_u + m_d} \right), \quad \begin{cases} C_q = 0 & (\text{KSVZ}) \\ C_{u,c,t} = \cos^2 \beta/3, \quad C_{d,s,b} = \sin^2 \beta/3 & (\text{DFSZ}) \end{cases}$$

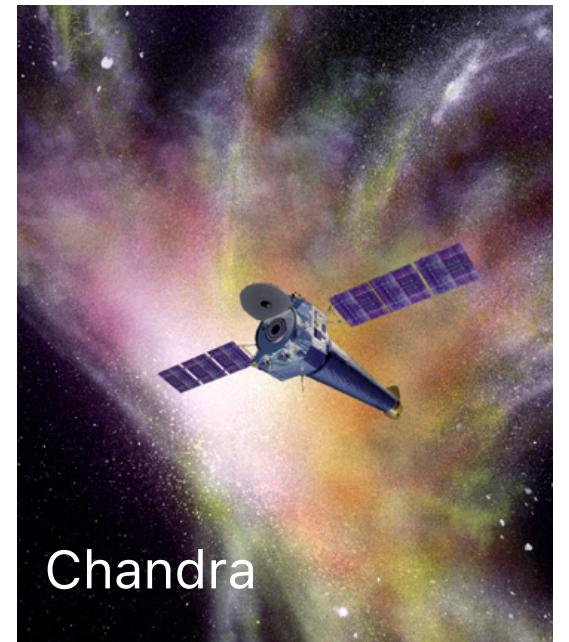
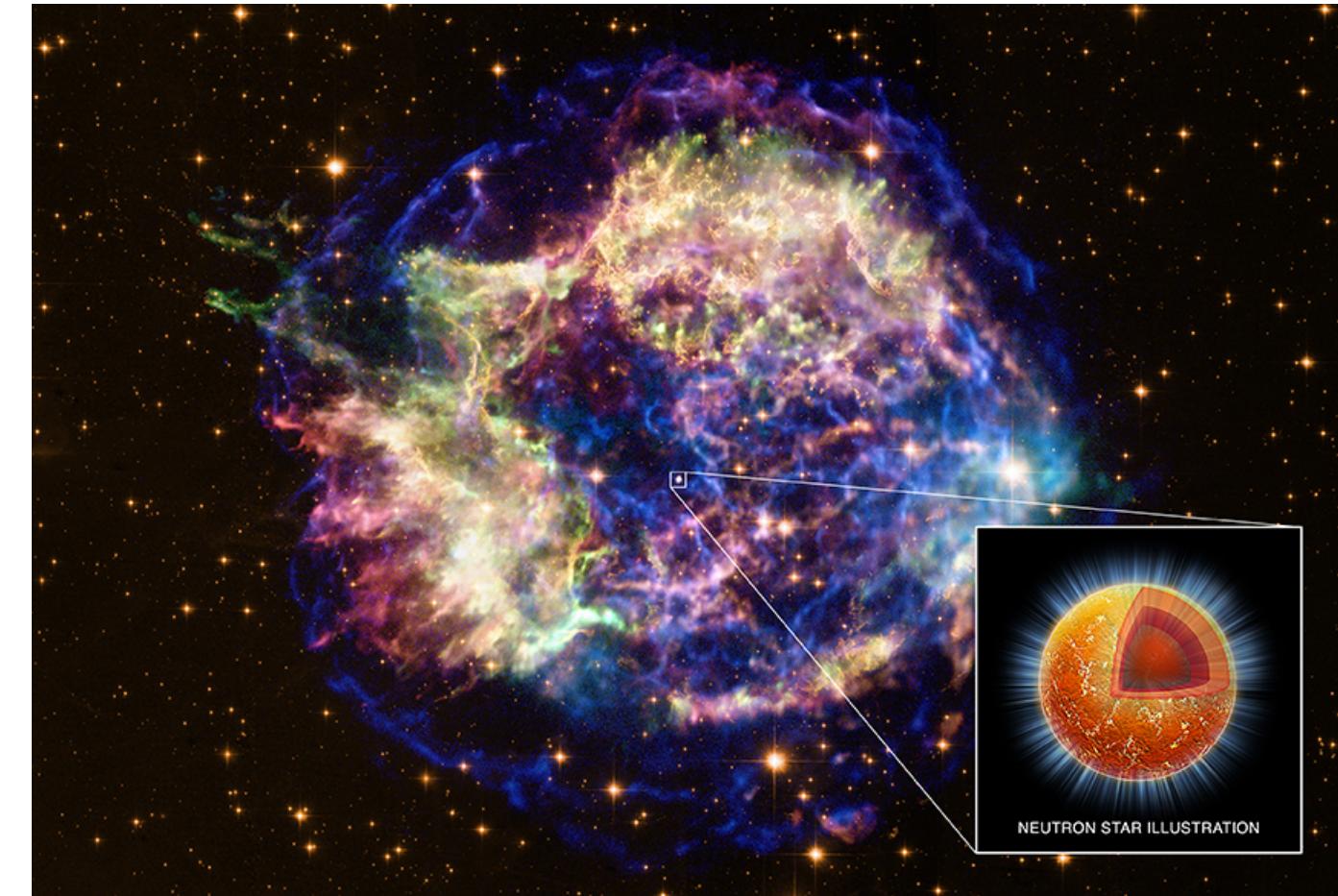


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Chandra found
the NS in 1999.

Cassiopeia A (Cas A) supernova remnant
and the NS at the center (Cas A NS).

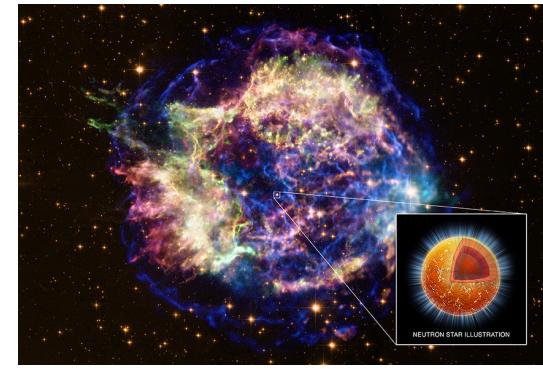
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Why Cas A NS?

It is the only isolated NS whose **cooling has been observed in real time**.

- Temperature decreases by (3-4)% in 10 years.
- This rapid cooling is difficult to explain with M.Urca.
- It can be explained by the **PBF** process.

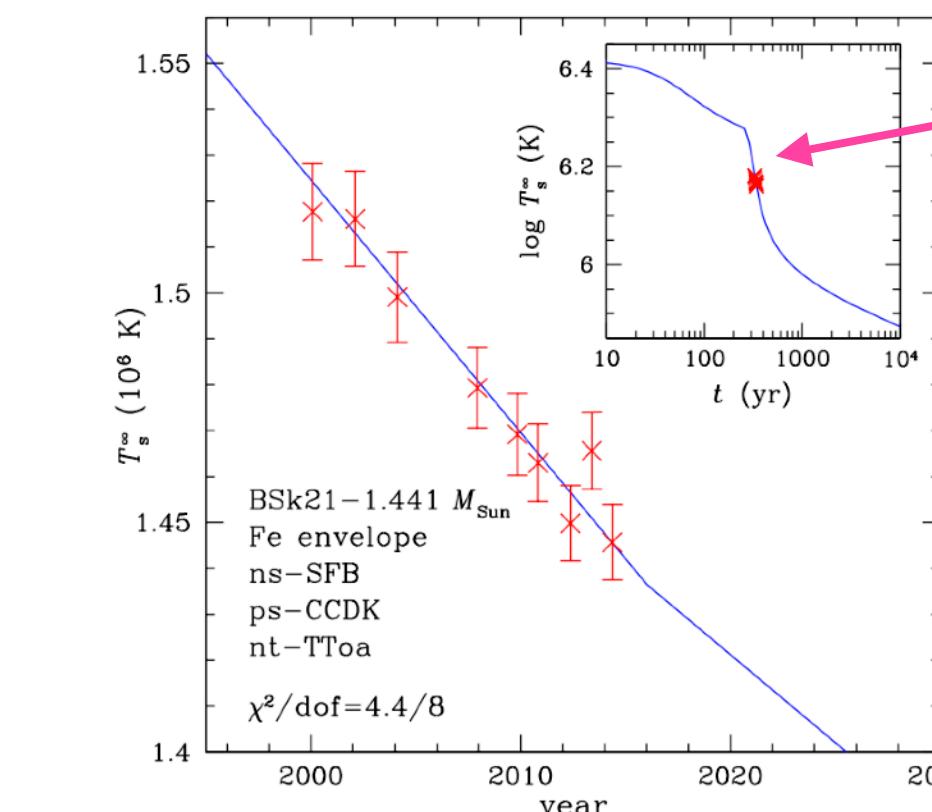
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phase transition $T = T_C$
 sudden, rapid cooling by
 PBF neutrino emission.

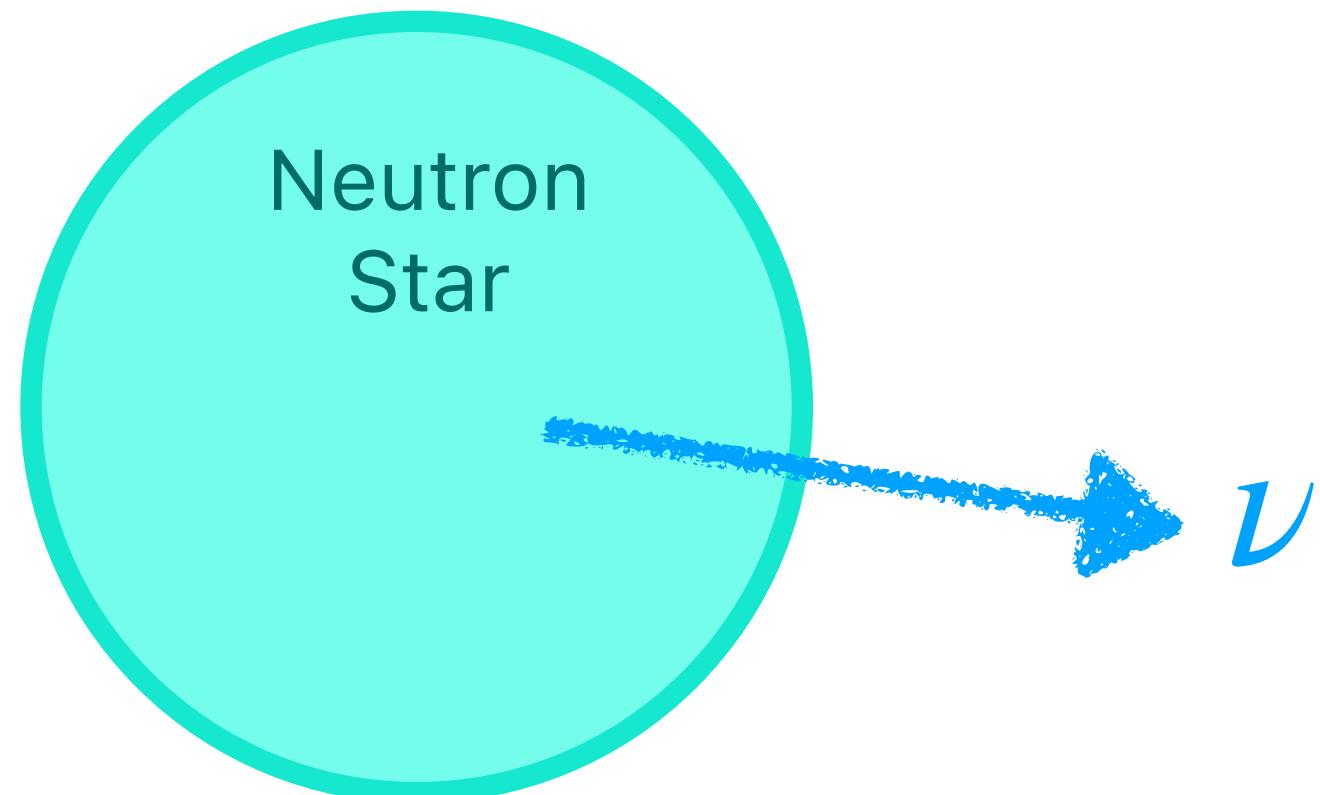
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negligible for $\tau \sim 300$ yrs

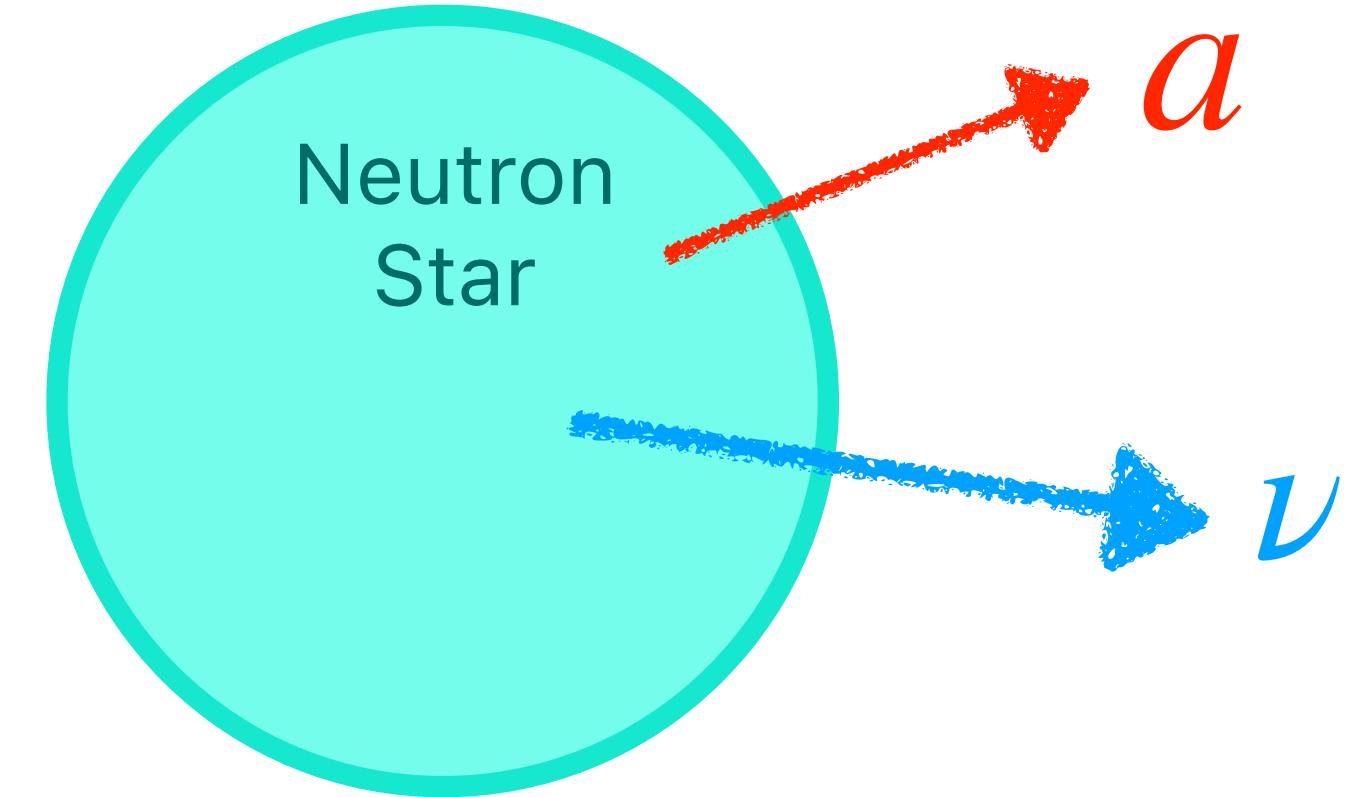


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axion emission



$$a \quad \dots \quad N = p, n$$

A diagram showing a dashed horizontal line labeled 'a' at its left end. From this line, two solid black lines branch out: one going up-right and one going down-right. Above the up-right line is the text $N = p, n$.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \sum_{N=p,n} \frac{C_N}{2f_a} \bar{N} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 N \partial_\mu a$$

C_N : model-dependent parameter

KSVZ: $\begin{cases} C_p = -0.47(3) \\ C_n = -0.02(3) \end{cases}$

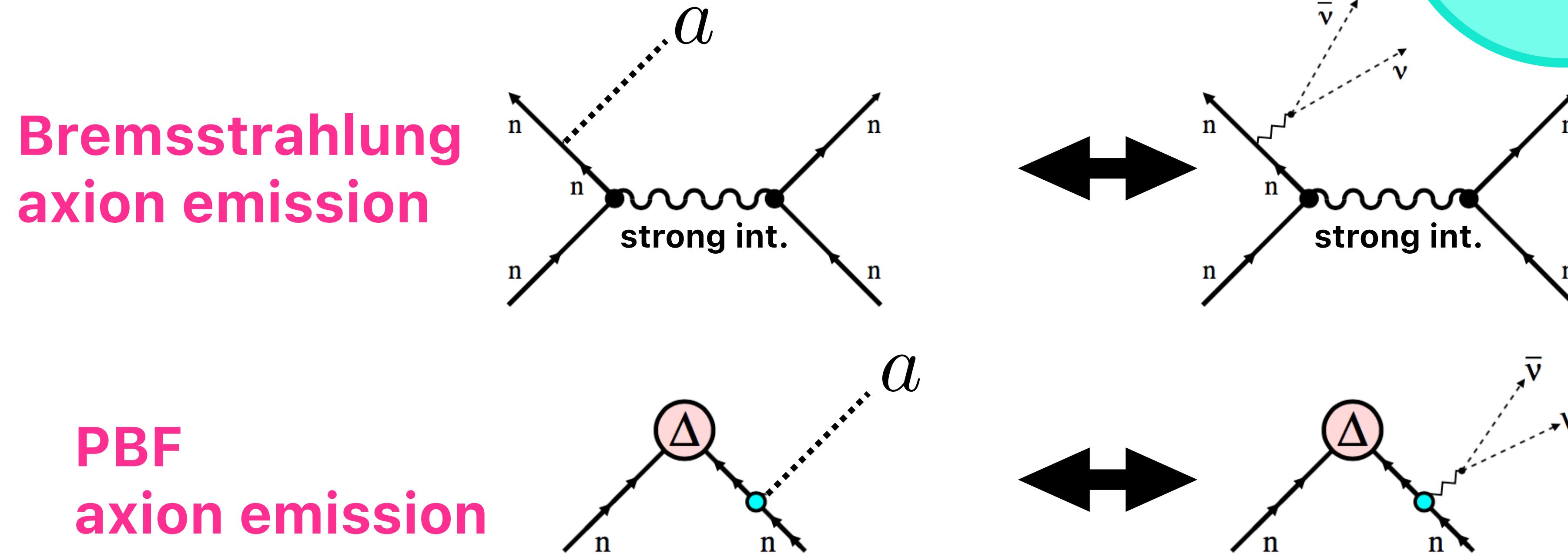
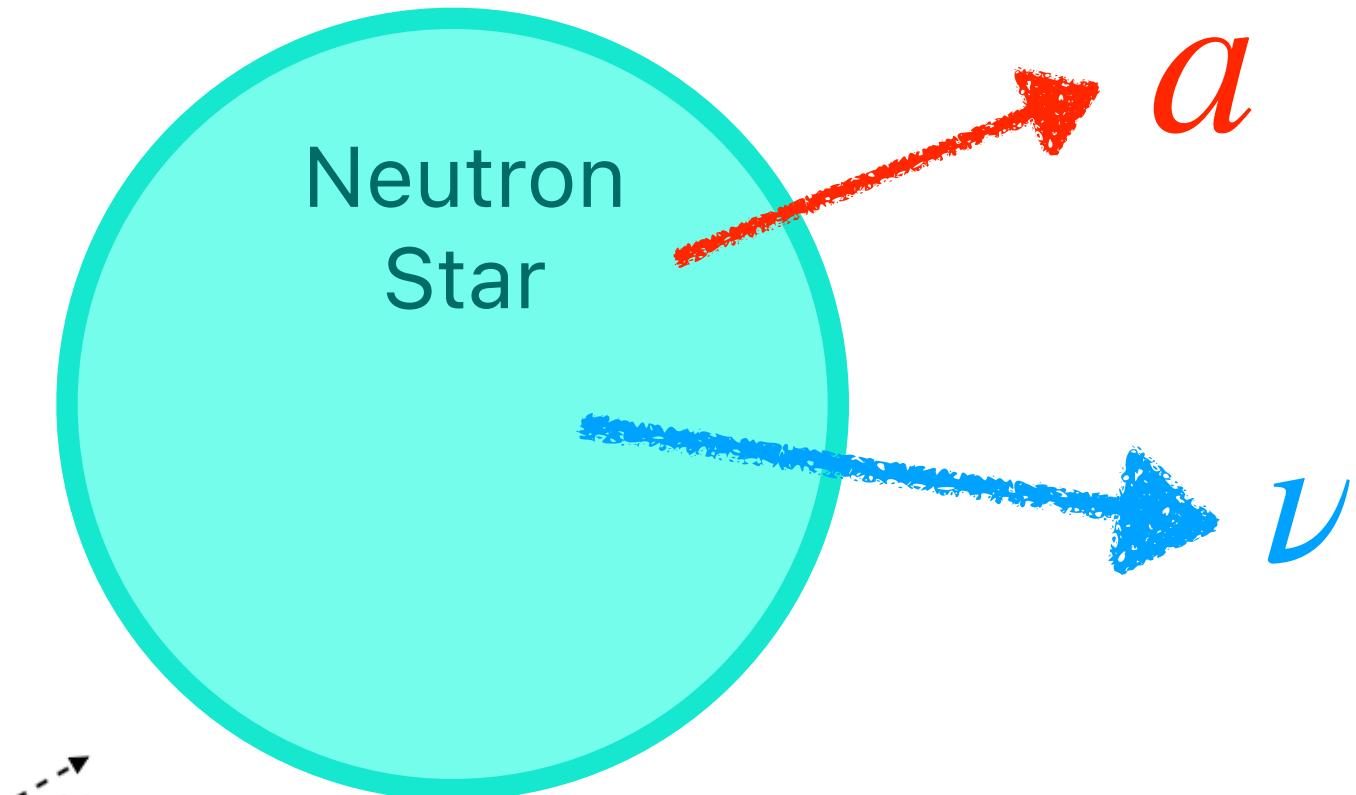
DFSZ: $\begin{cases} C_p = -0.182(25) - 0.435 \sin^2 \beta \\ C_n = -0.160(25) - 0.414 \sin^2 \beta \end{cases}$

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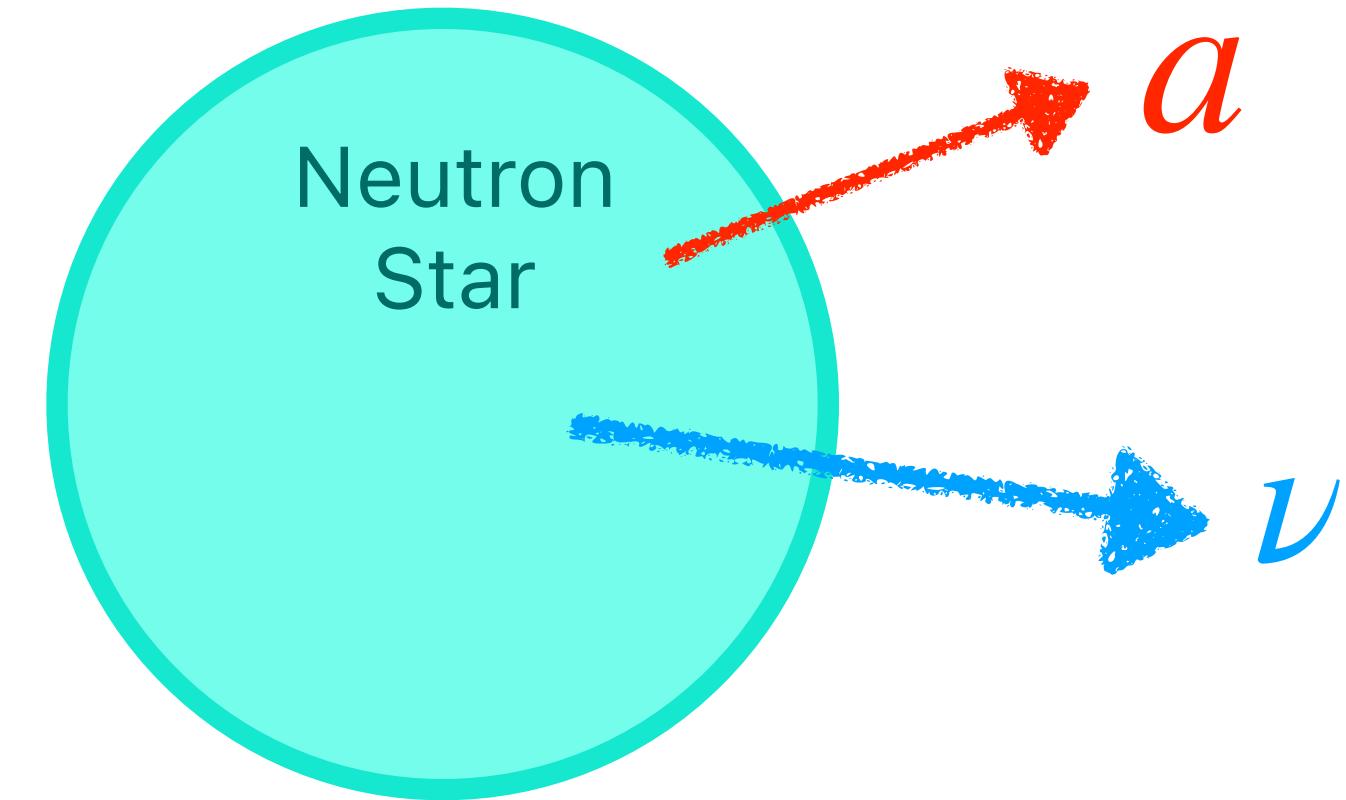
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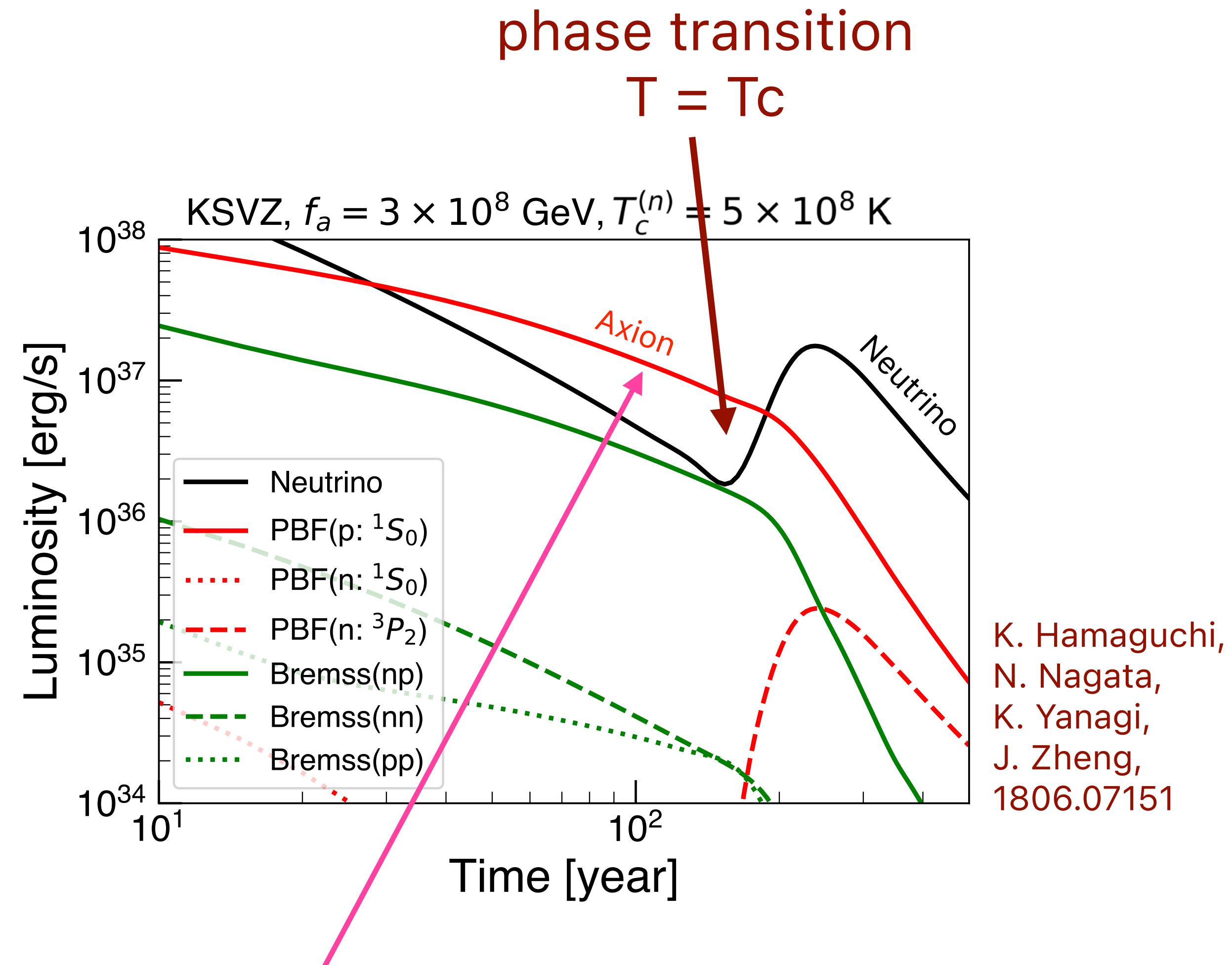
What we did:

- followed NS cooling with axion emission (Brems. and PBF).
by modifying a public code NSCool.
- APR EoS.
- NS mass $M = 1.4M_\odot$
- gap models:
 - ▶ n-¹S₀ gap: SFB (doesn't matter)
 - ▶ p-¹S₀ gap: CCDK (doesn't matter as far as large enough)
 - ▶ n-³P₂ gap: gap height $\Delta_\infty T_c$ and width: free parameter.

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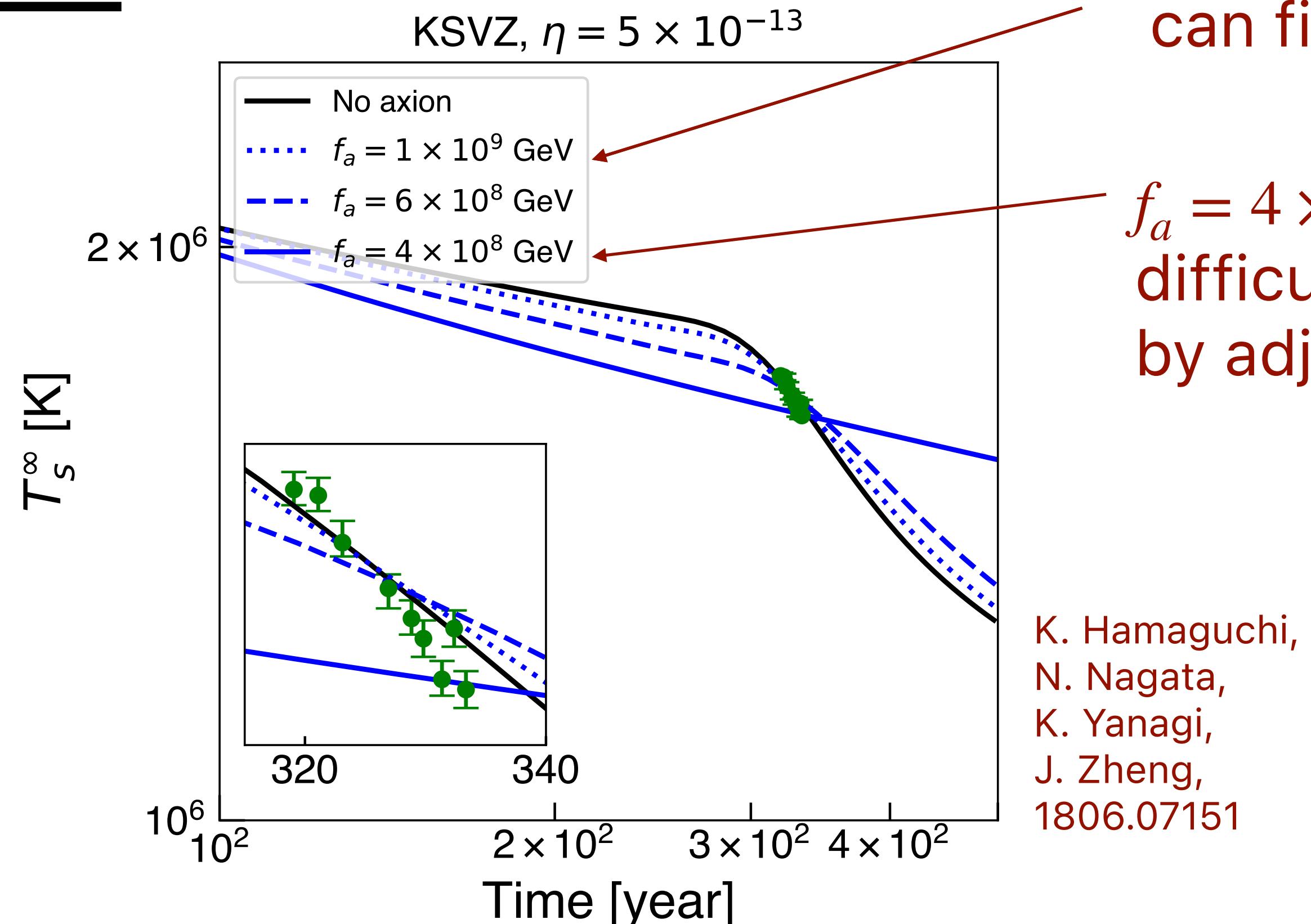


Axion emission can be as strong as neutrino emission.

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Results



$f_a = 1 \times 10^9$ GeV:
can fit the data.

$f_a = 4 \times 10^8$ GeV:
difficult to fit the data even
by adjusting gap parameters.

$$\text{interaction} \propto \frac{1}{f_a}$$

obtained a new bound: $f_a \gtrsim 5 \times 10^8$ GeV (KS_{VZ})

(for an envelope with a thin carbon layer)

cf. SN1987A bound: $f_a \gtrsim 4 \times 10^8$ GeV

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The screenshot shows the PDGLive interface for the 2019 Review of Particle Physics. The main title is "Invisible A^0 (Axion) Limits from Nucleon Coupling". Below it, a note states: "Limits are for the axion mass in eV." The table lists experimental limits with columns for Value (eV), CL%, Document ID, Year, Technique, and Comment. One entry at < 0.01 eV is circled in red.

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J. Zheng, 1806.07151

See also:

- M. V. Beznogov+ [1806.07991].
- L. B. Leinson, [1909.03941] [2105.14745].
- Buschmann+, [2111.09892]

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update

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Axion Emission from Proton Cooper Pairs in Neutron Stars

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Abstract

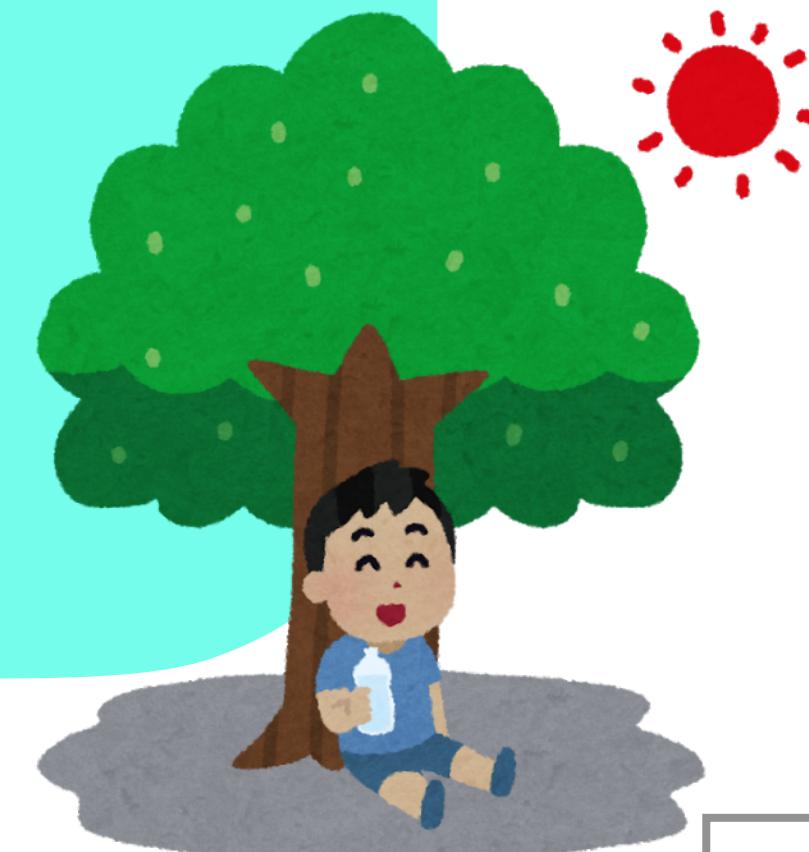
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- Our results [1806.07151] : $f_a \gtrsim 5 \times 10^8$ GeV (KSVZ)
- Leinson [2105.14745] obtained a much weaker bound: $f_a \gtrsim 3 \times 10^7$ GeV (KSVZ).
- In this paper [2502.18931], we identified the source of this discrepancy as a different dependence on the effective nucleon mass, m^* .
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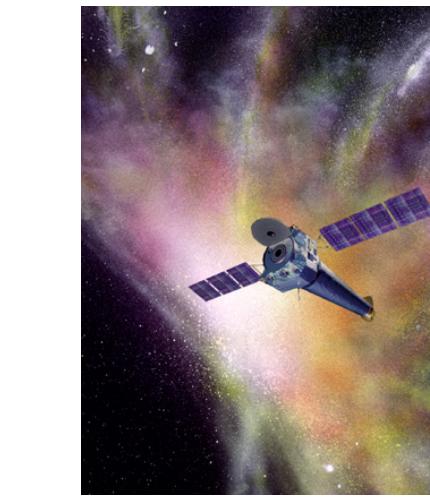
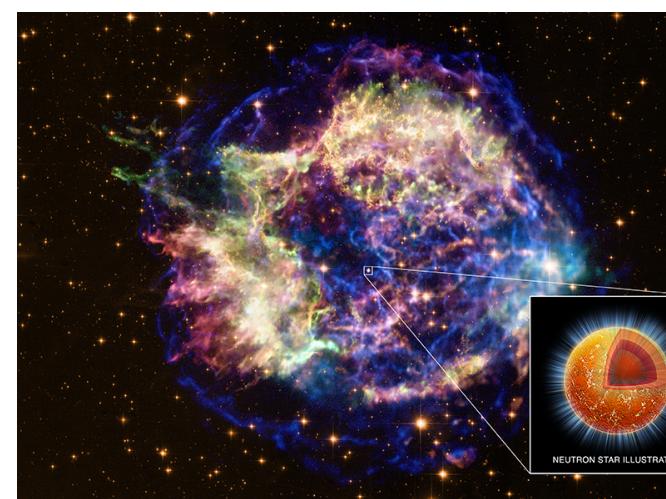


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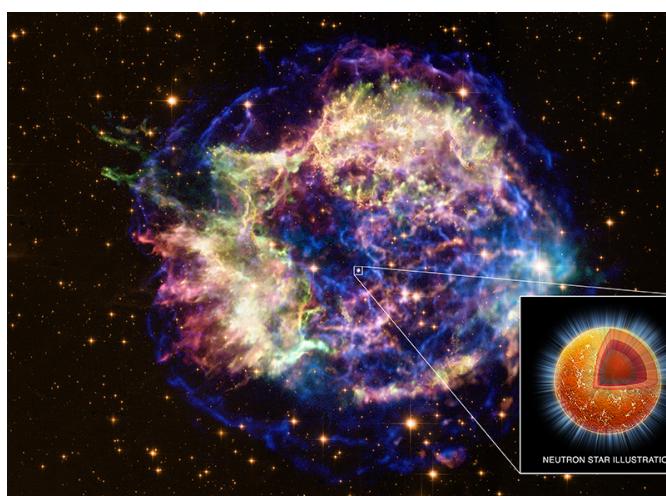


Chandra

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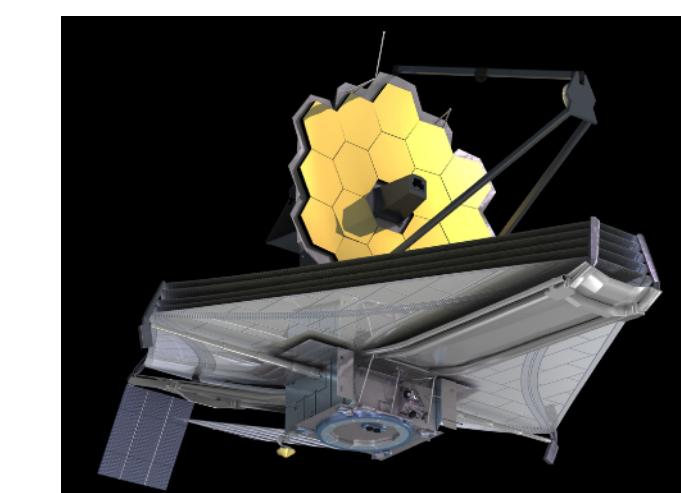
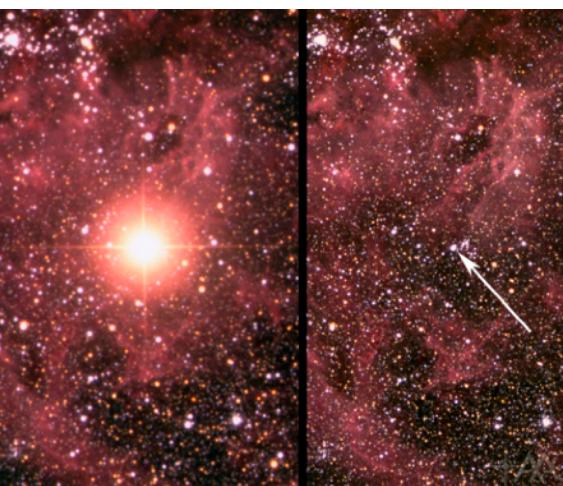
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 - 38 years ago
 - 51 kpc
 - NS just found recently??



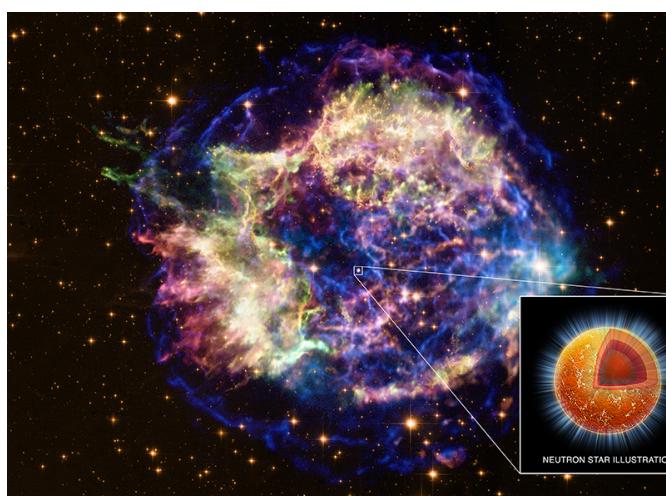
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- → More data on NS cooling (and axion?) in the next future?!

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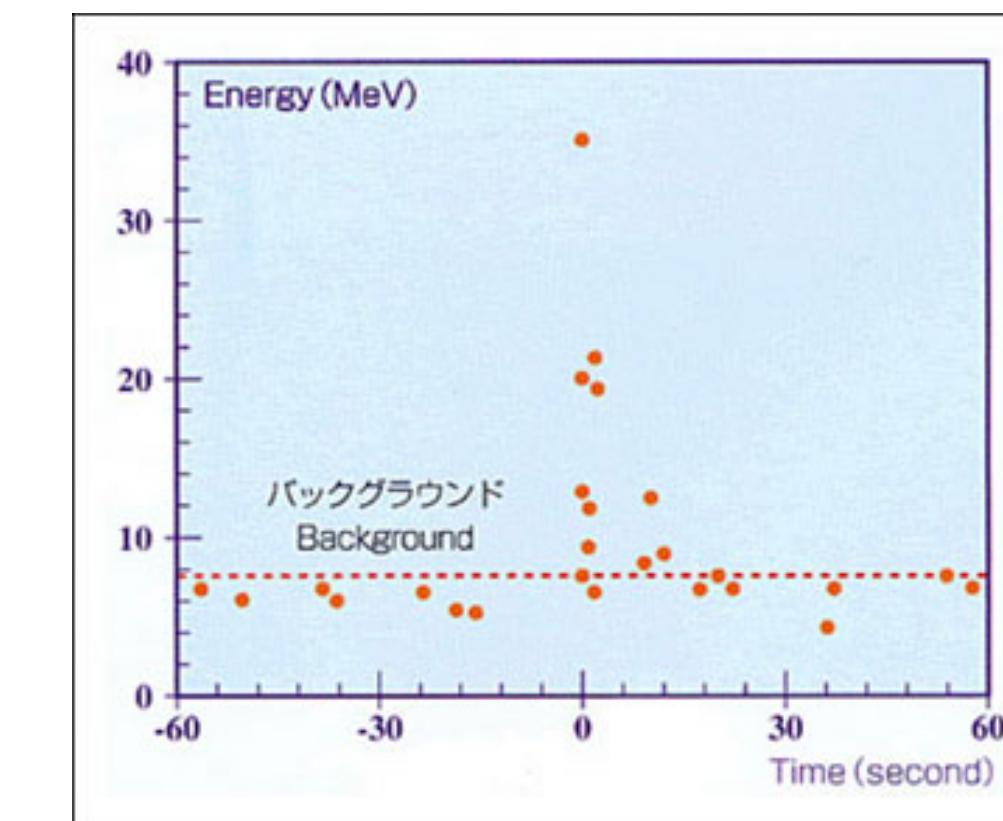
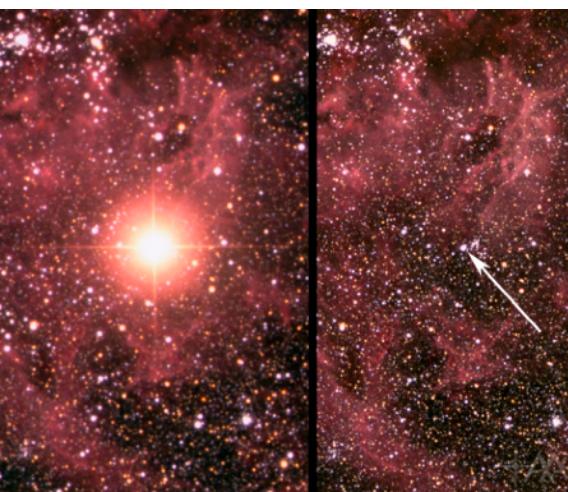
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<http://www-sk.icrr.u-tokyo.ac.jp/sk/physics/supernova-e.html>

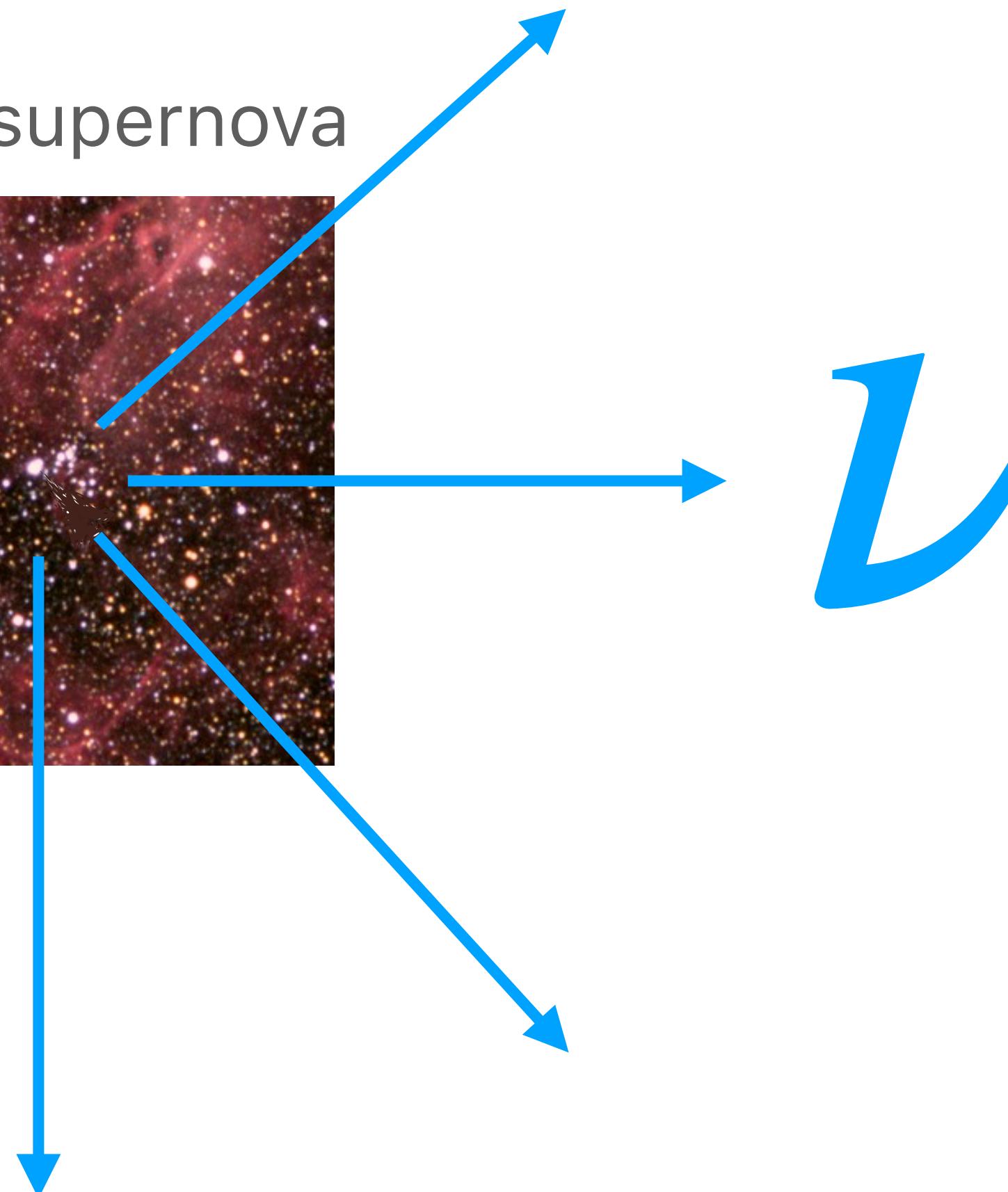
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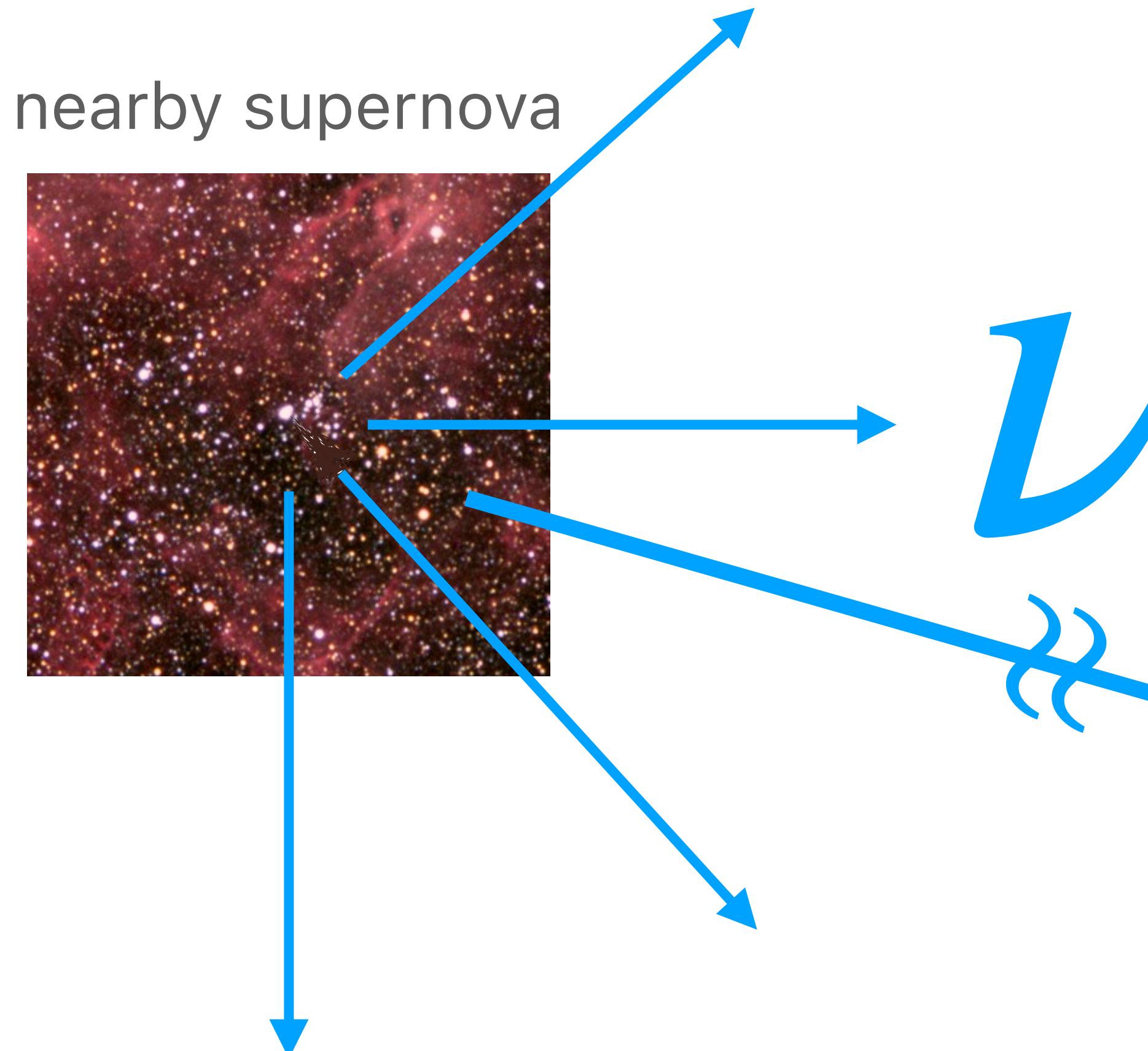
nearby supernova



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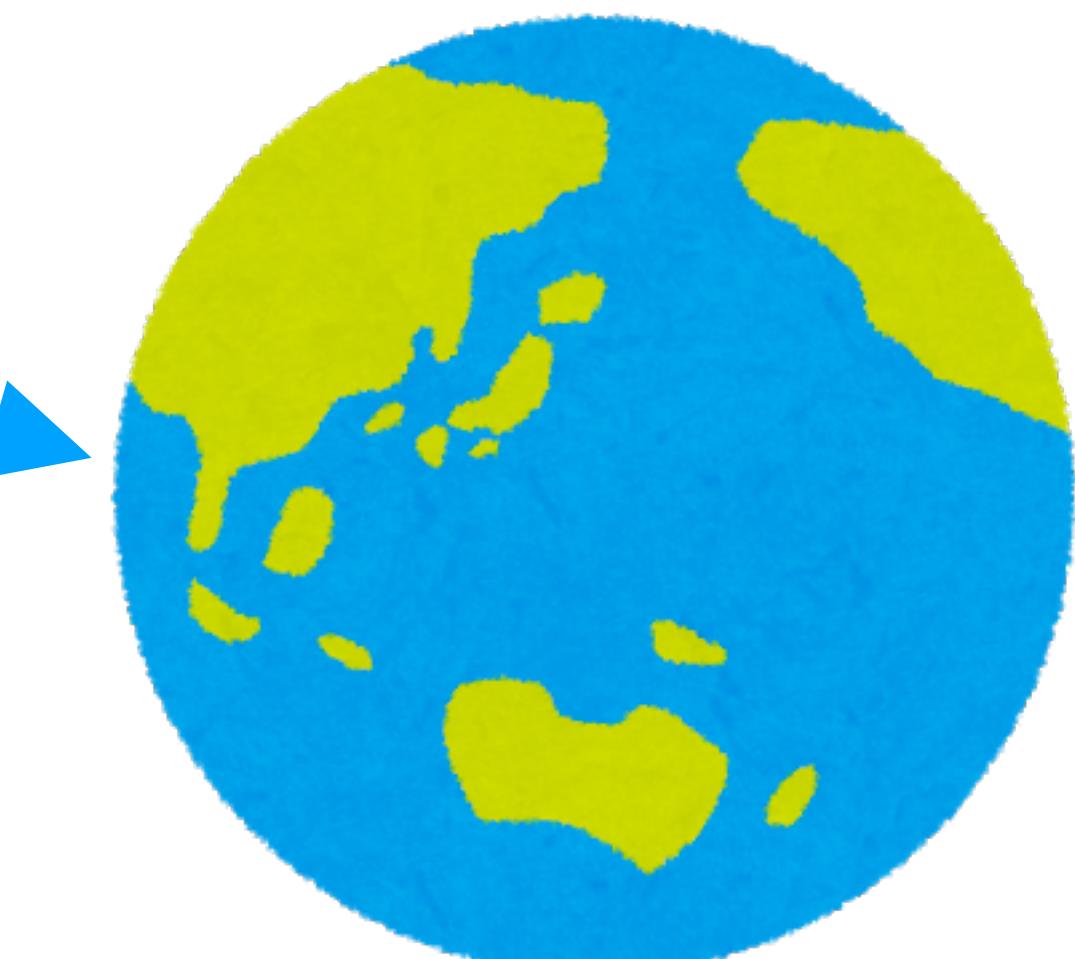
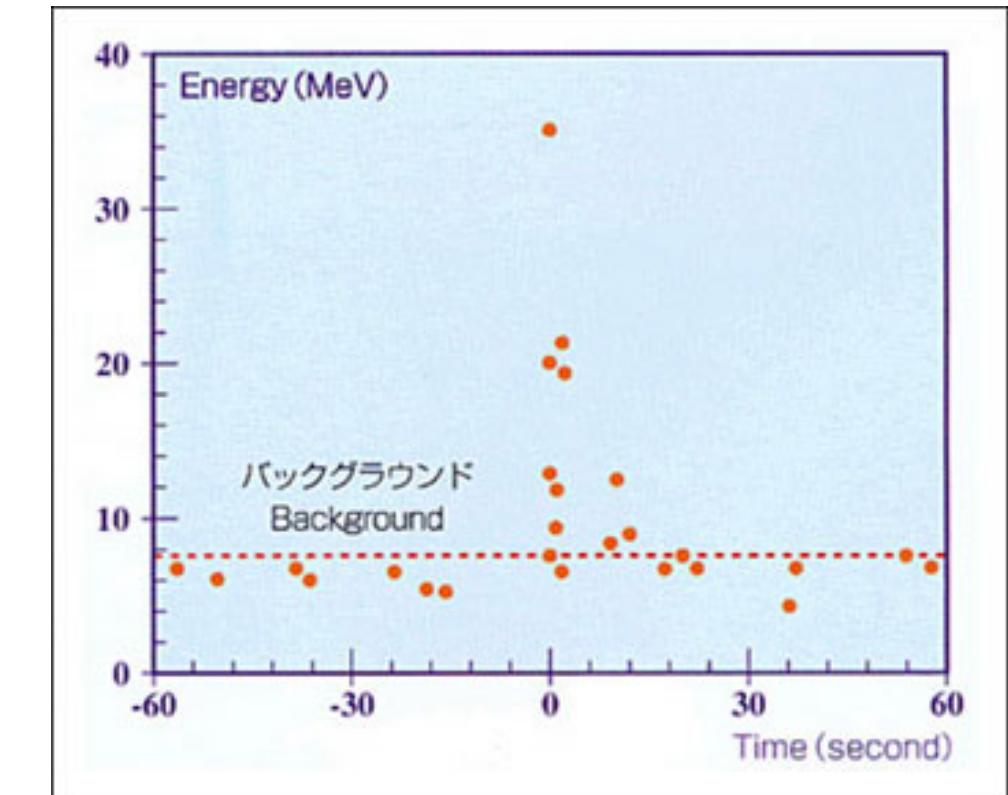
cf. talks yesterday by
Jakob Ehring, Yu Min Yeh, Yen-Hsun Lin

- What if a **nearby supernova** occurs in near future?



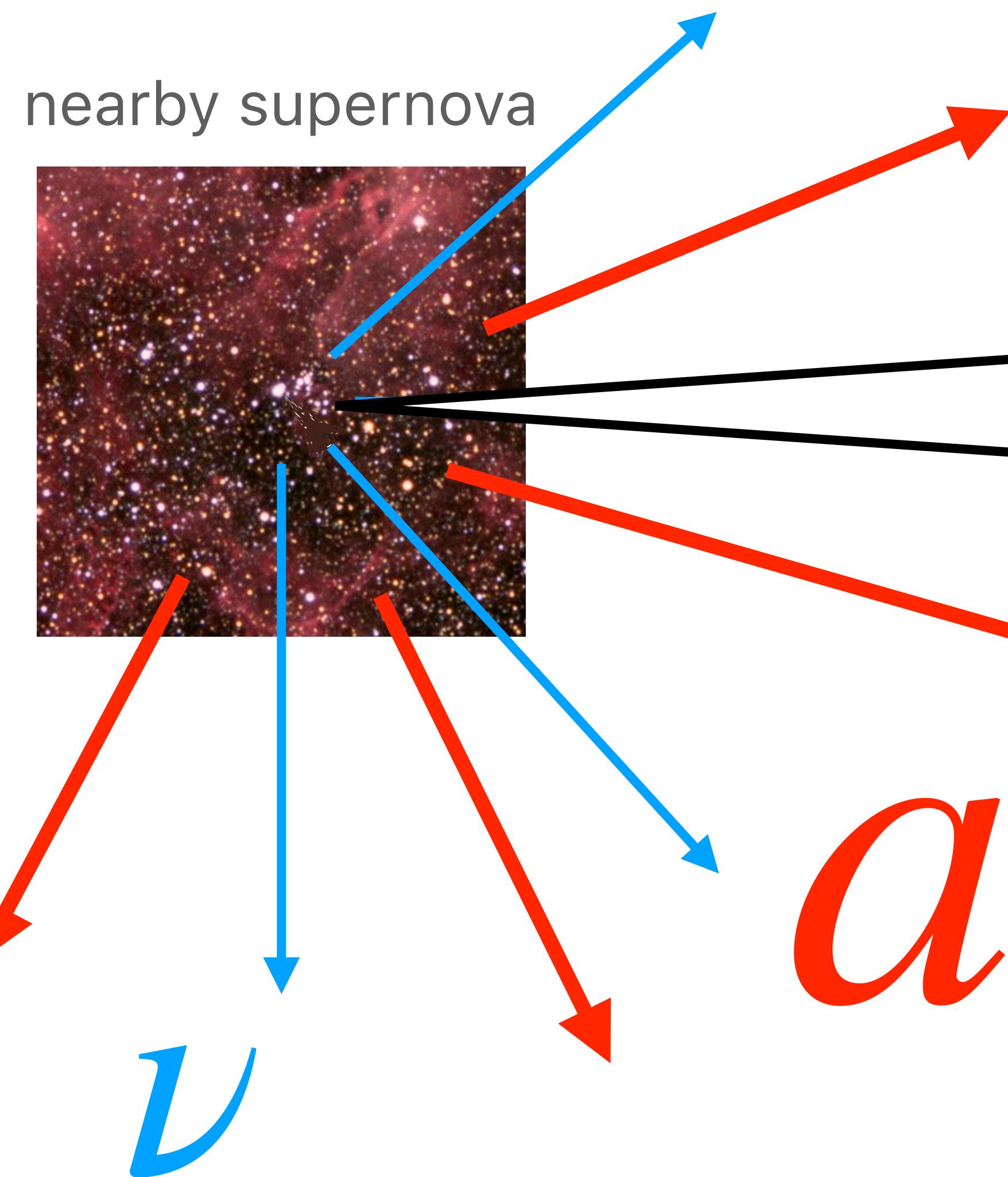
<http://www-sk.icrr.u-tokyo.ac.jp/sk/physics/supernova-e.html>

- SN1987A
neutrino burst within $\Delta t \simeq 10$ sec.
- Future: various neutrino detectors



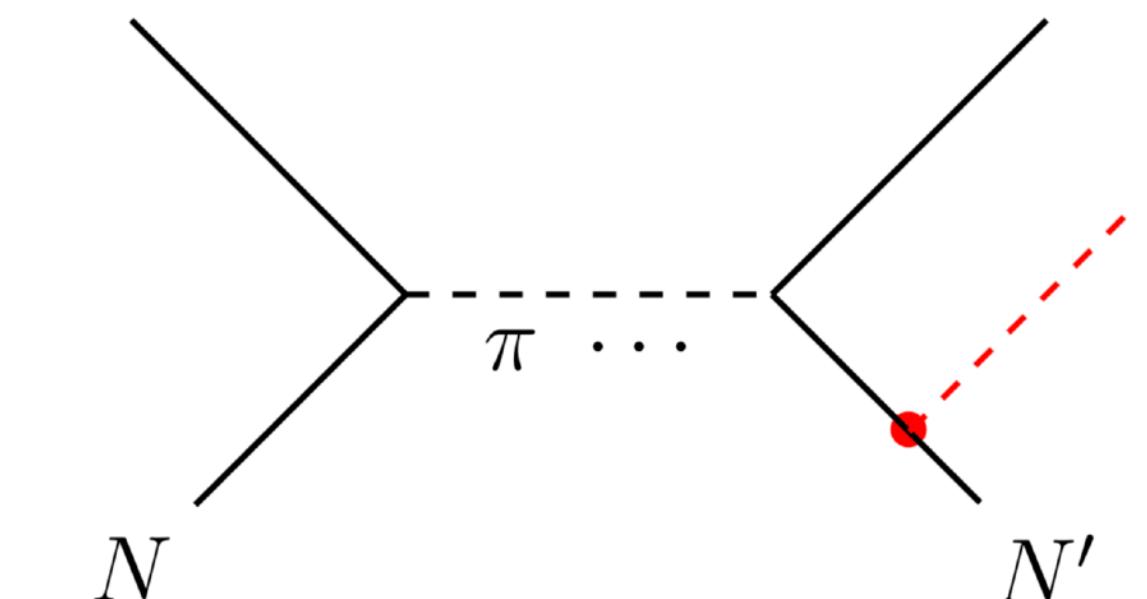
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- What if a nearby supernova occurs in near future?



If the axion exists,...

$$NN' \rightarrow NN' + a$$
$$(N, N' = n, p)$$



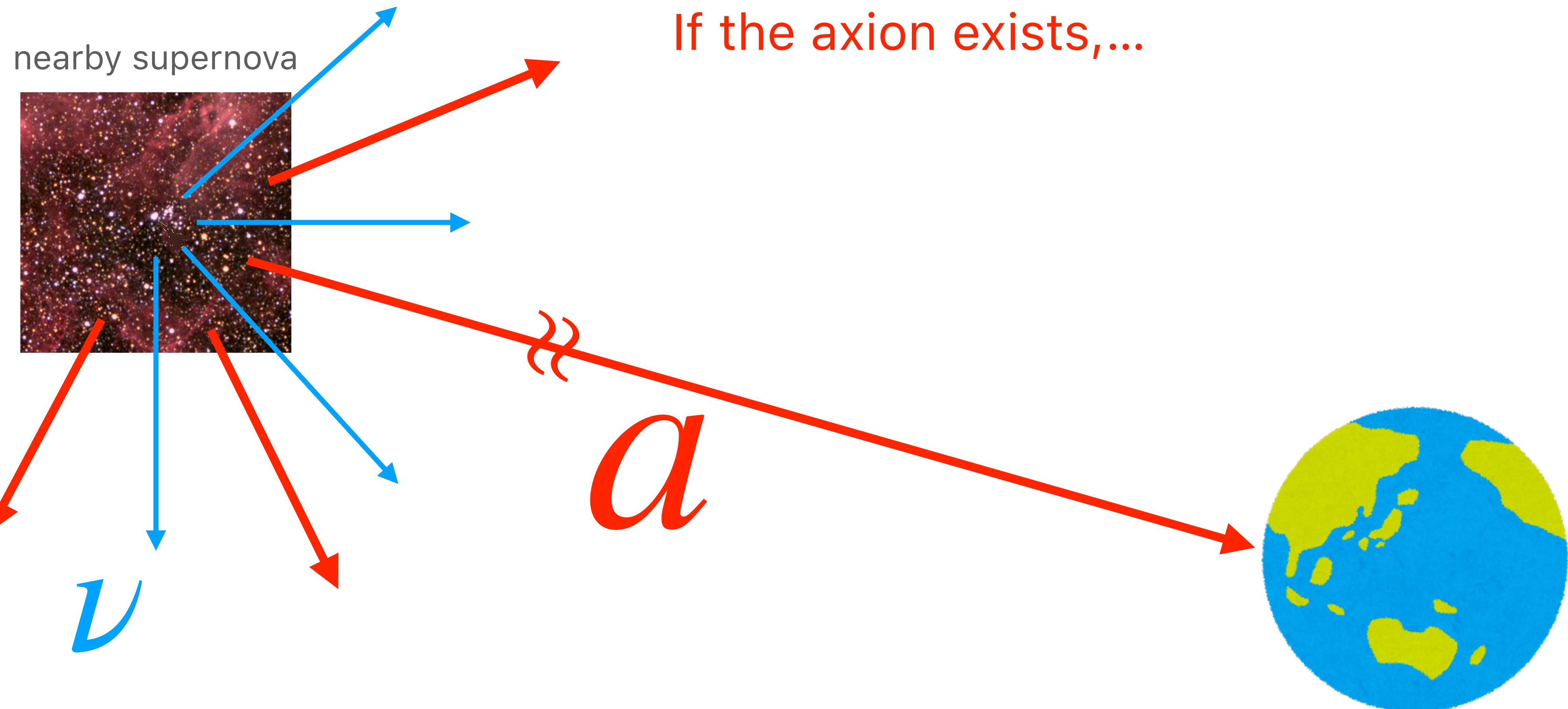
$$\mathcal{L}_{aNN} = \sum_{N=n,p} \frac{C_N}{f_a} \bar{N} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 N \partial_\mu a$$

$$\begin{cases} C_p = -0.47 & (\text{KSVZ}) \\ C_n = -0.02 & \\ C_p = -0.182 - 0.435 \sin^2 \beta & (\text{DFSZ}) \\ C_n = -0.160 + 0.414 \sin^2 \beta & \end{cases}$$



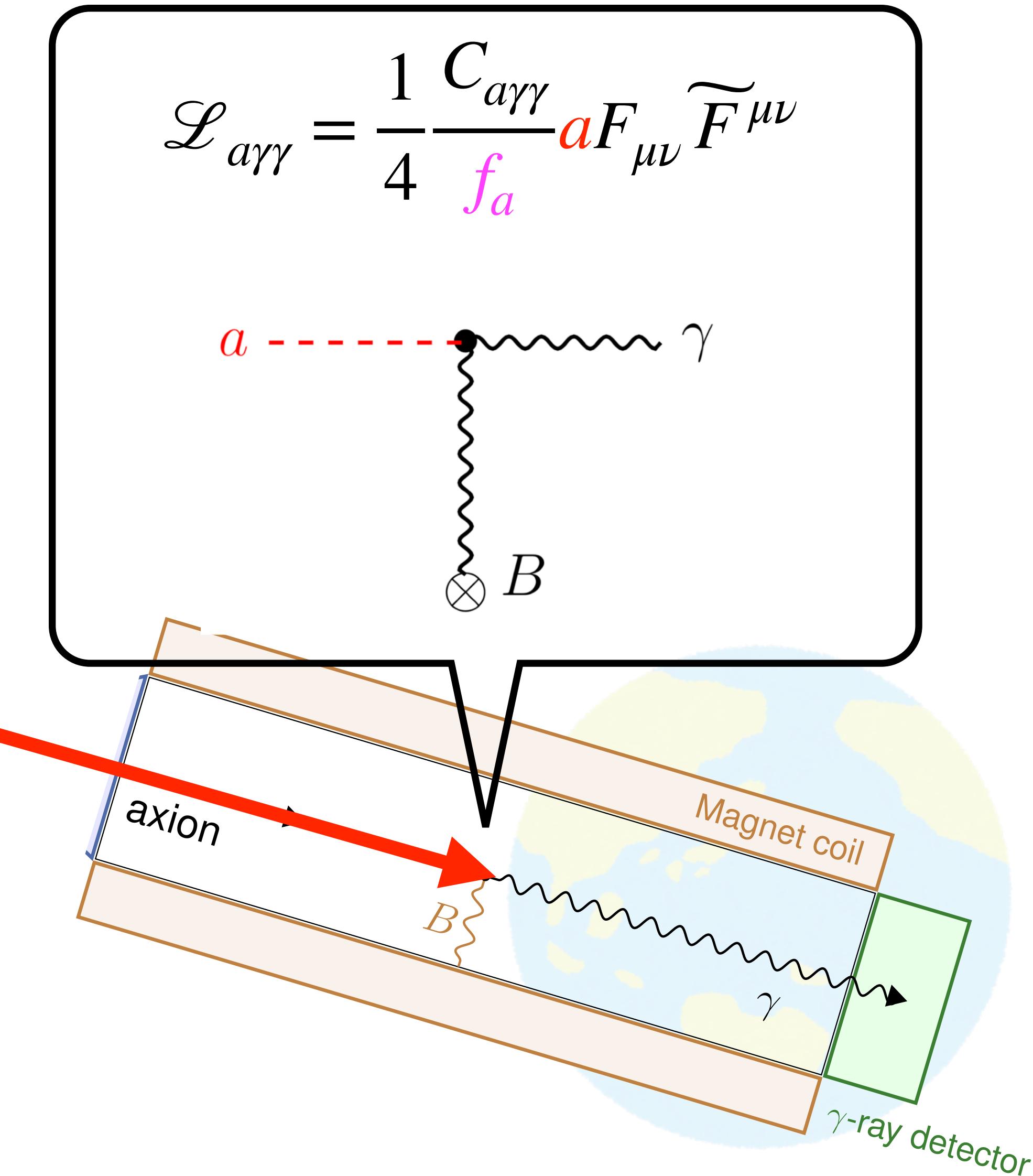
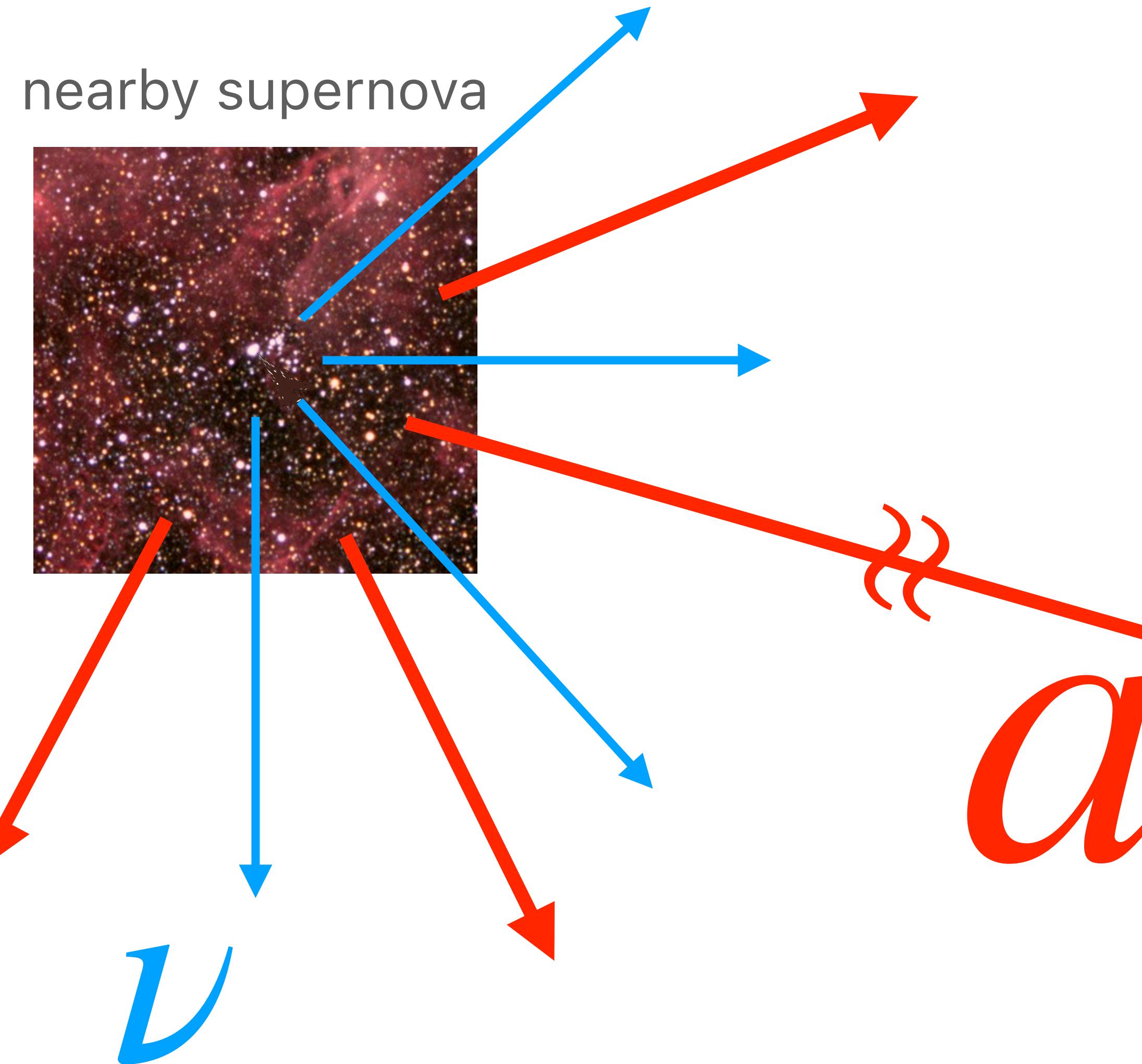
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- What if a **nearby supernova** occurs in near future?

- How do we know the timing of the SN in advance?

👉 Take the help of the **pre-SN neutrinos**.

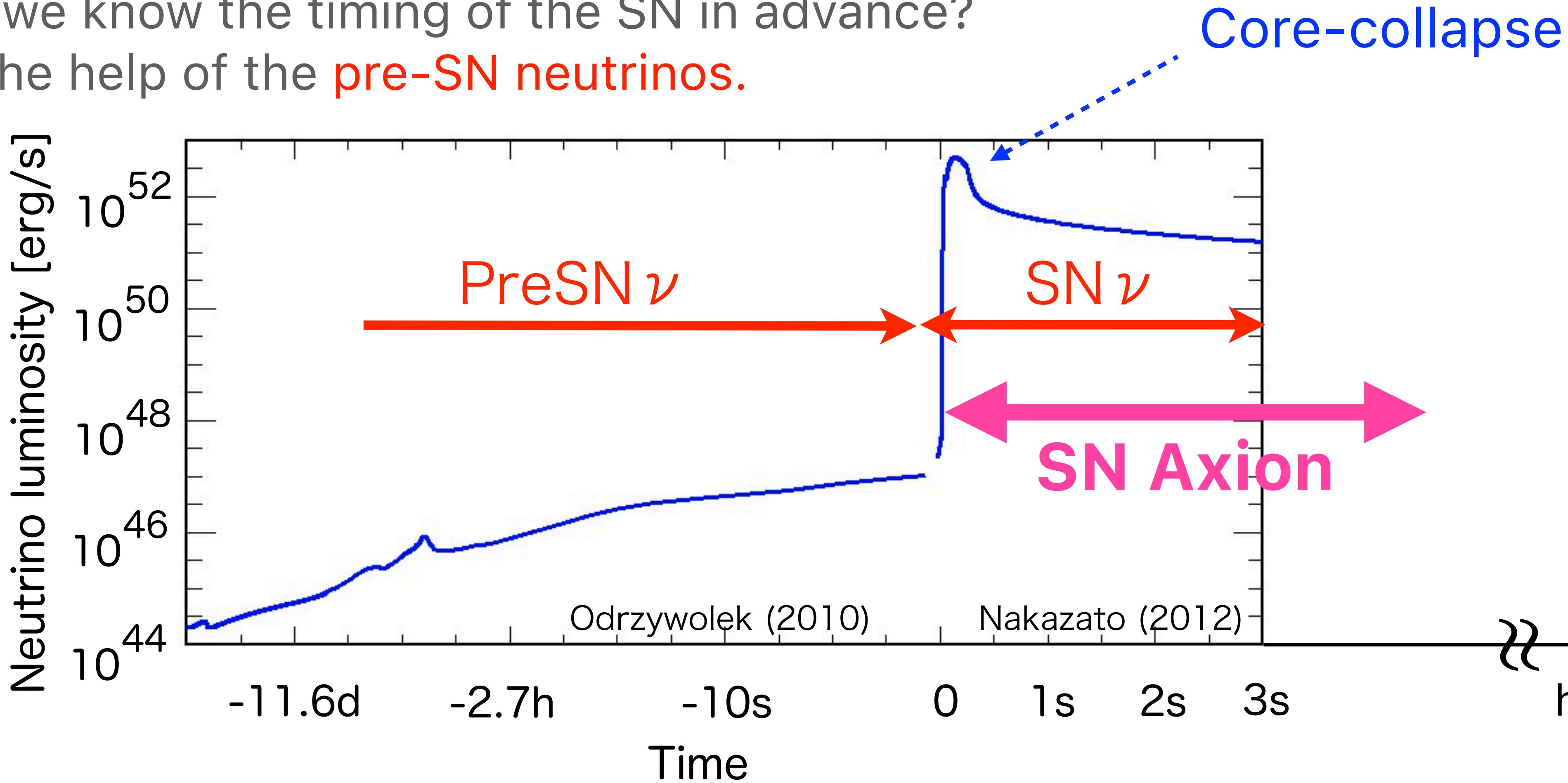


Figure from K.Ishidohiro's talk in 2019.

https://www.lowbg.org/ugnd/workshop/sympo_all/201903_Sendai/

For a review of pre-SN neutrinos, see, e.g., C.Kato, K.Ishidohiro, T.Yoshida [2006.02519].

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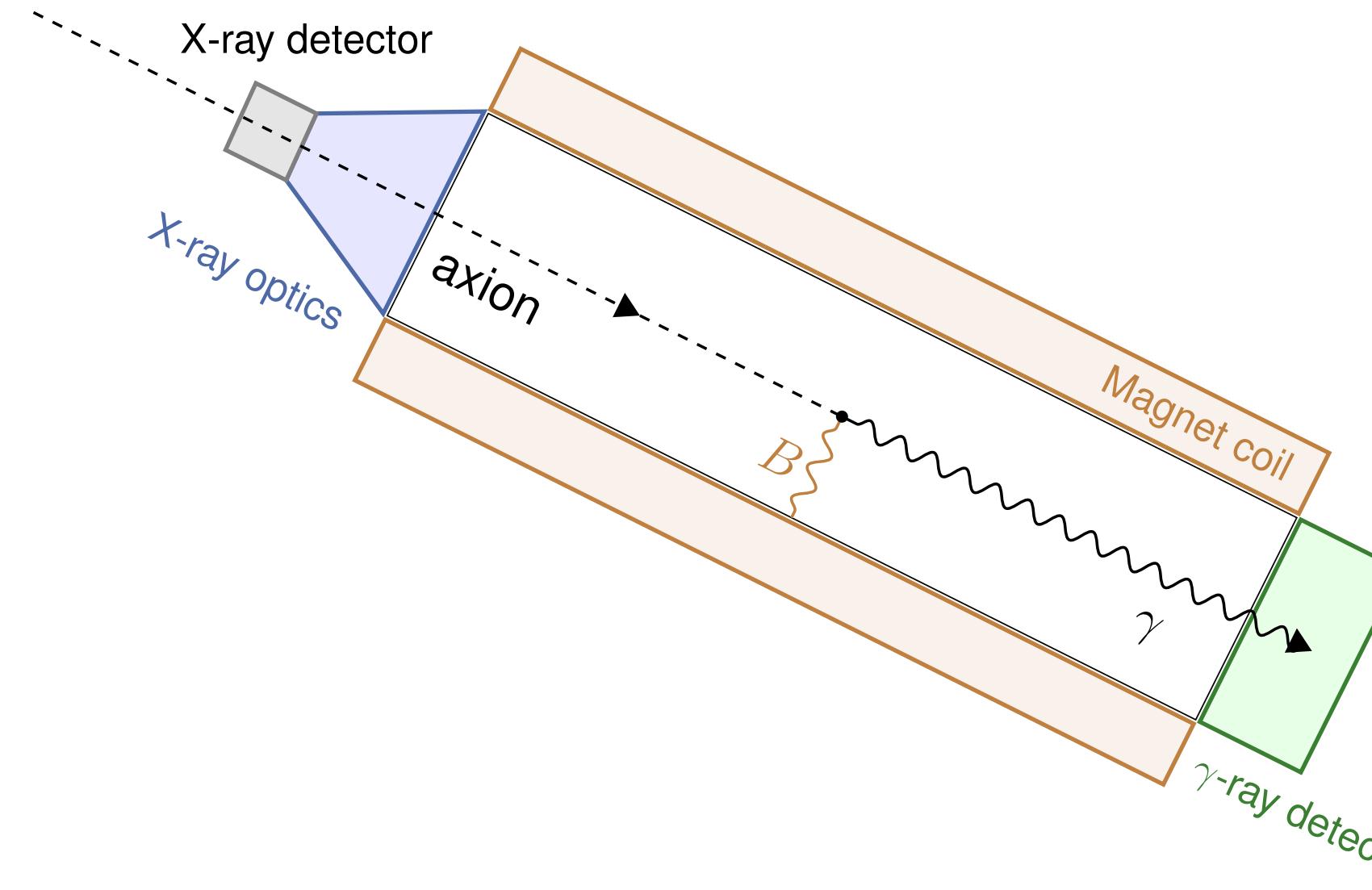
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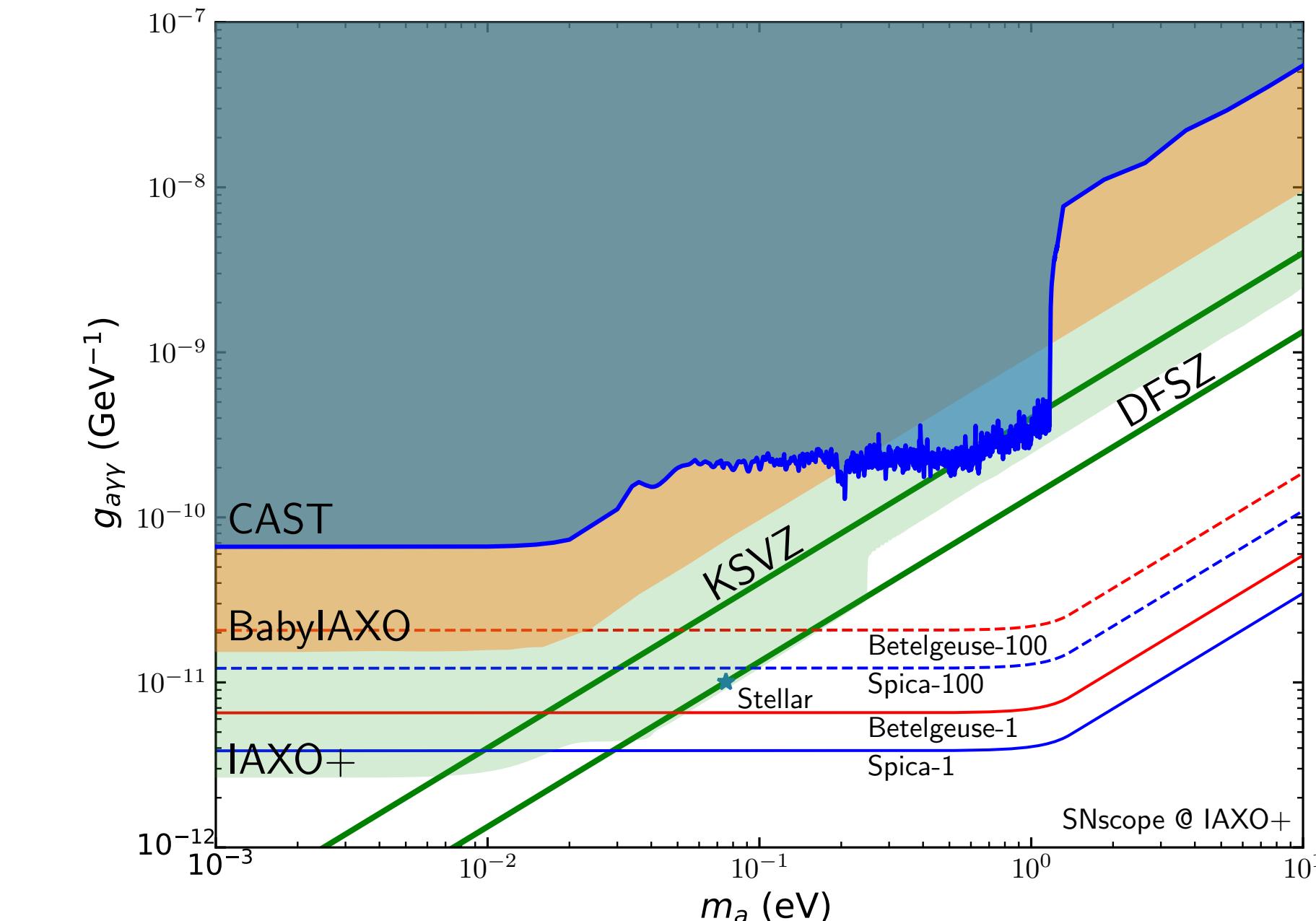
We have shown that, if a nearby (< a few 100pc) supernova (SN), such as Betelgeuse, occurs,..



...by using a "axion Supernova scope",
with the help of pre-SN neutrino alert,...



...SN axions may be detected!



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Any questions?



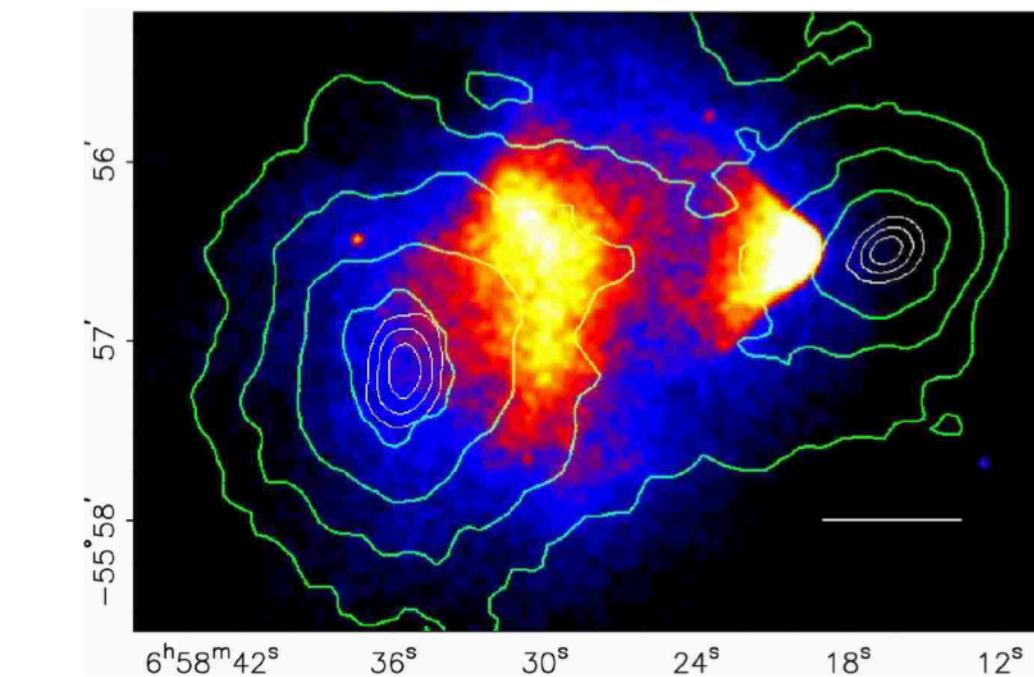
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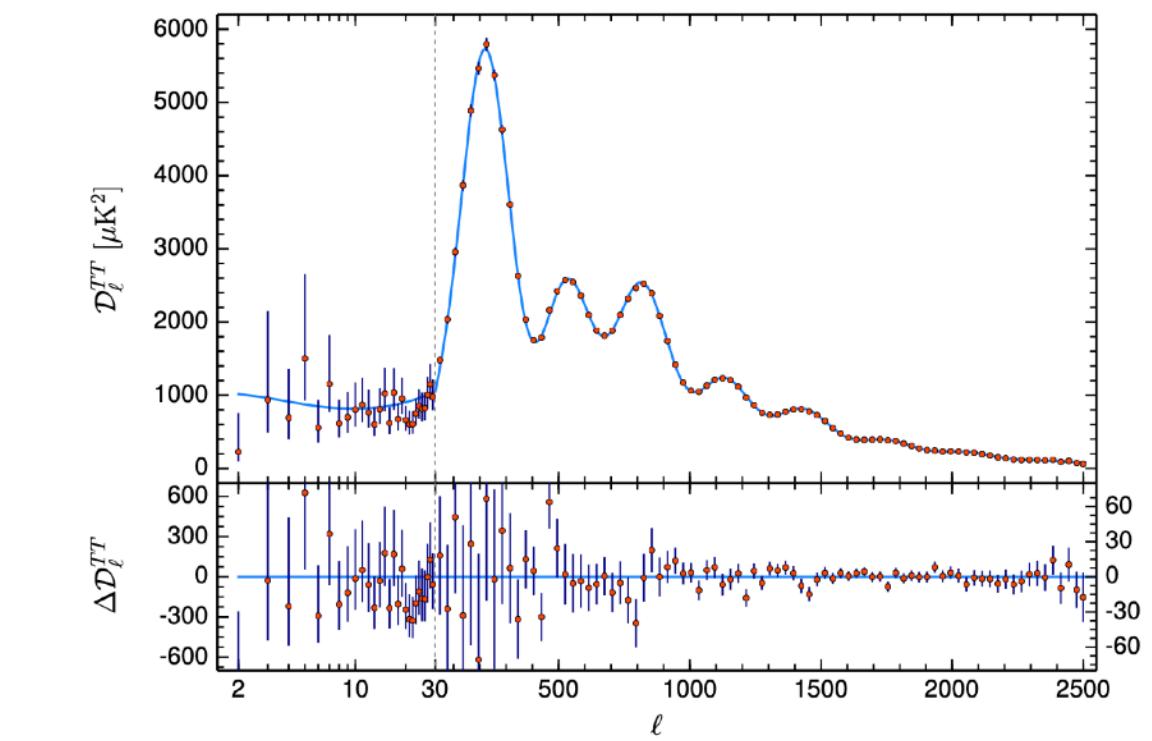
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Dark Matter

- Multiple evidence.
- Makes up ~26% of the universe's energy density.
- Electrically neutral.
- Various candidates: WIMPs, axions, PBHs, ...



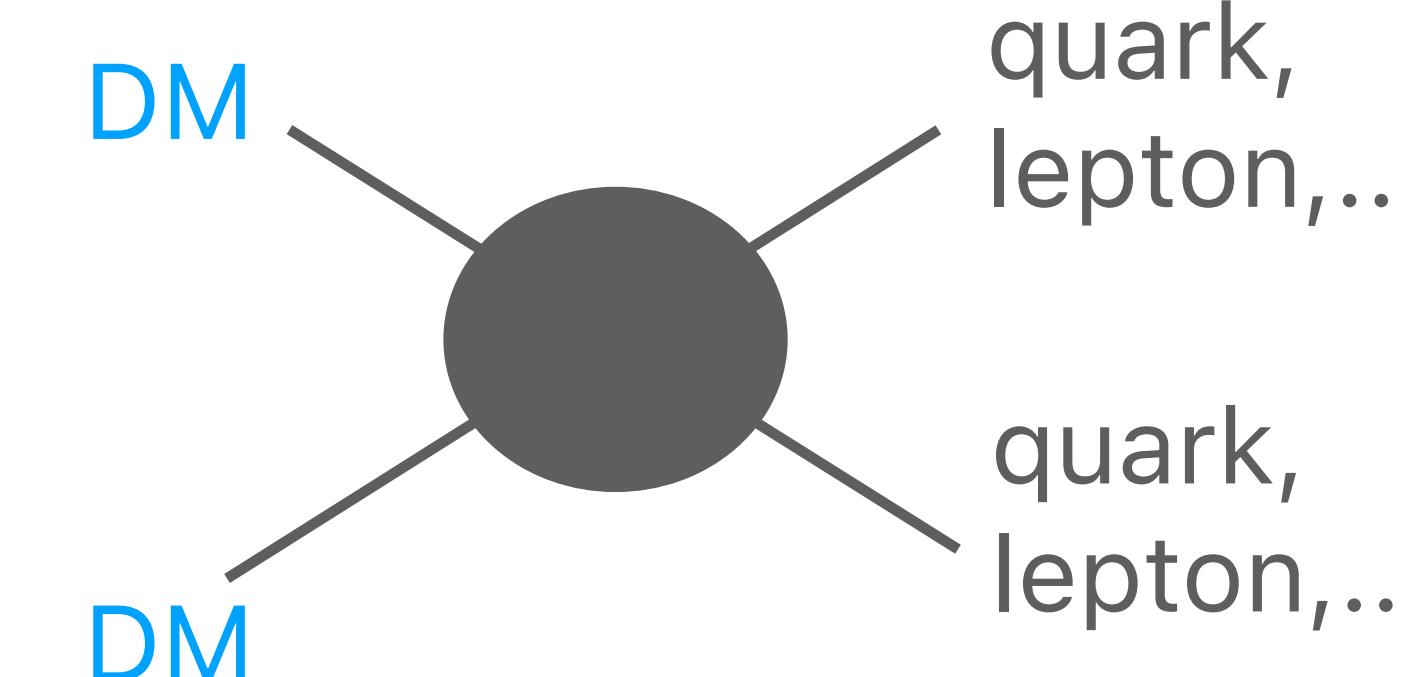
Bullet Cluster.
from astro-ph/0608407.



CMB anisotropy spectrum
from Planck 2018

Here, we focus on **WIMP = Weakly Interacting Massive Particle**

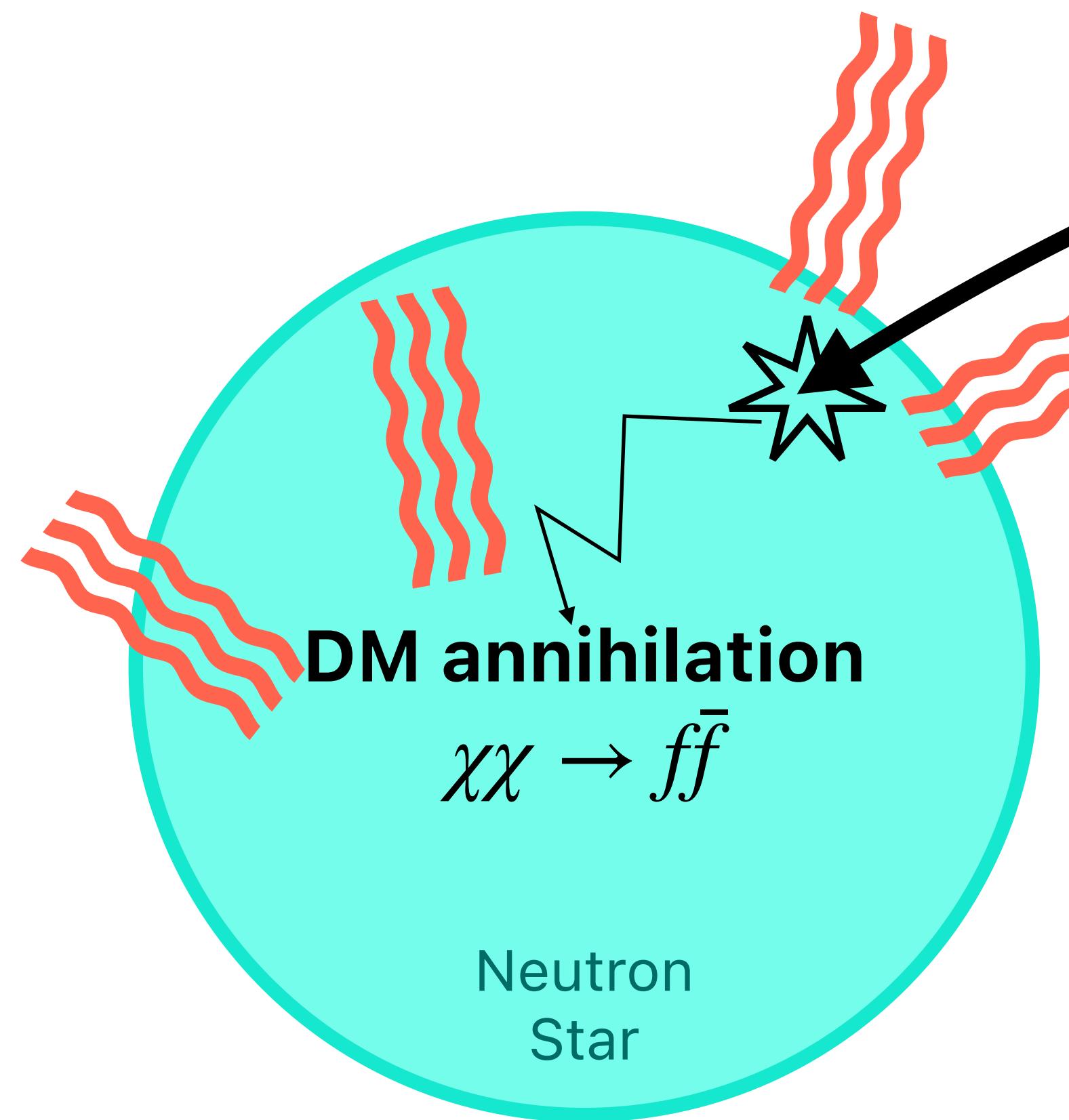
- Unknown particle.
- Stable.
- Typical mass: $O(100 \text{ GeV})$ – $O(1 \text{ TeV})$.
- Weakly interacts with Standard Model particles (quarks, leptons, ...).



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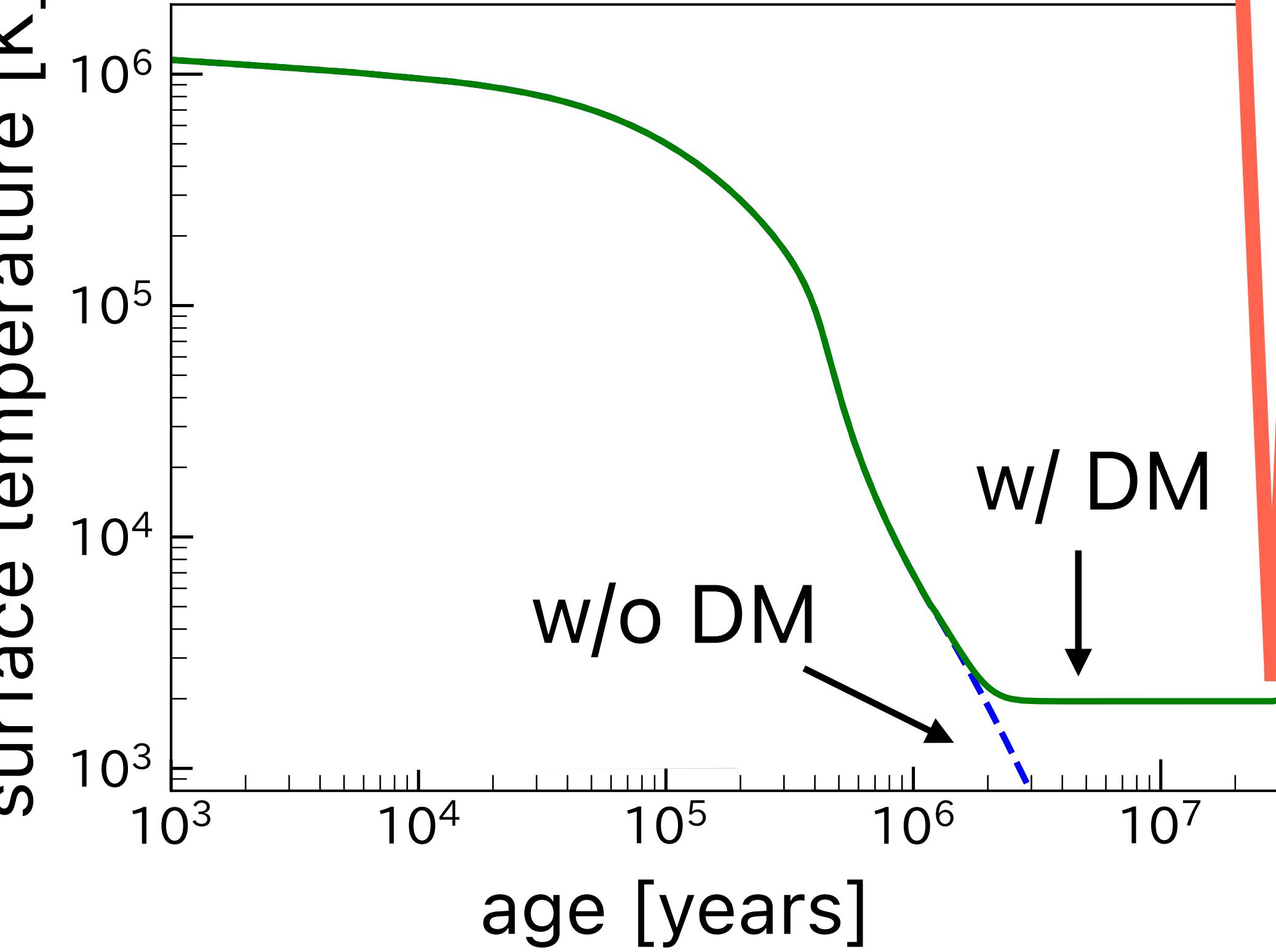
3.1. Idea

Kouvaris, 0708.2362
Baryakhtar+, 1704.01577



DM χ

surface temperature [K]

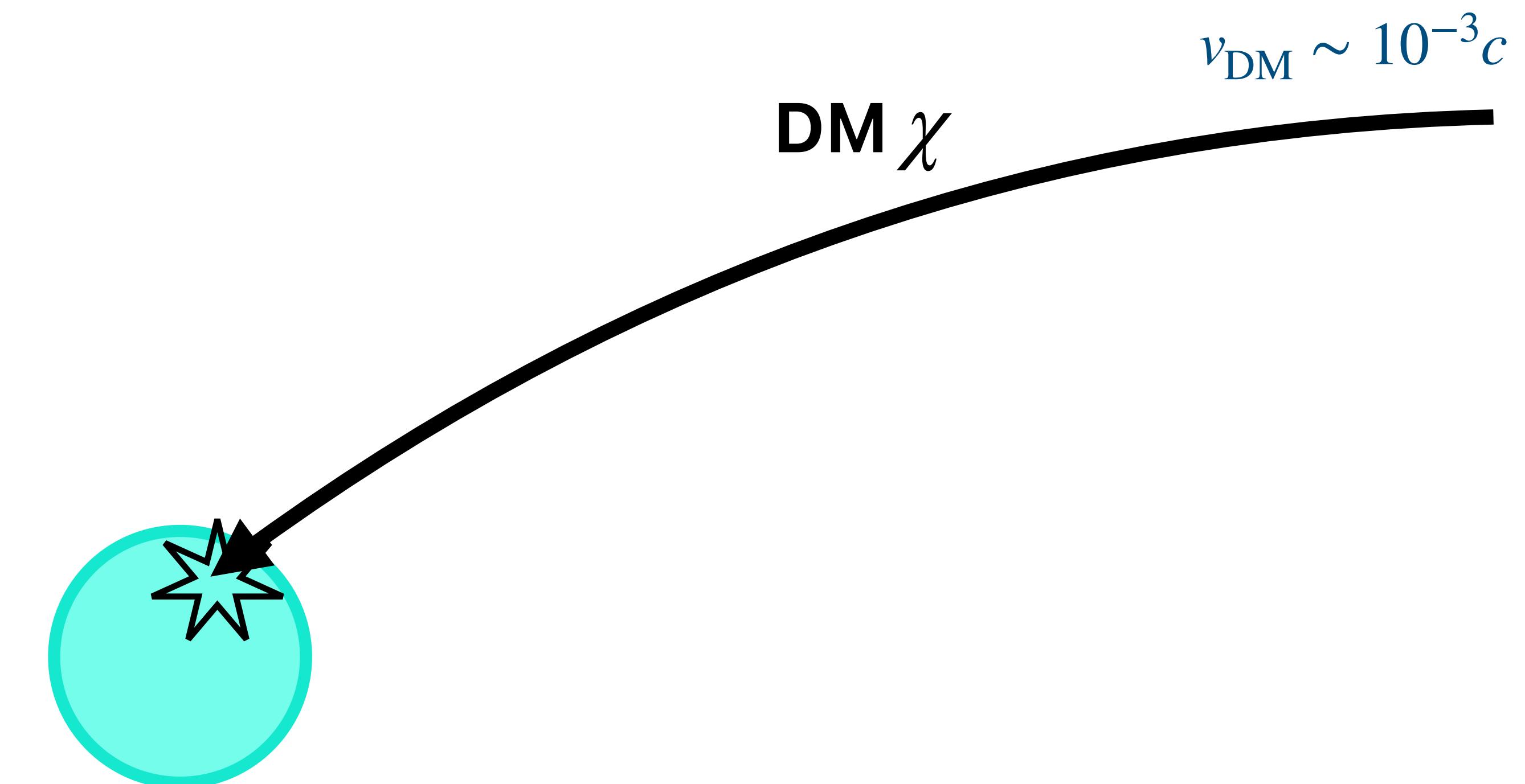


$$C \frac{dT}{dt} = -L_\nu \quad \text{negligible} \quad -L_\gamma + L_{\text{DM heating}} \quad \approx 0$$

Old and warm NS = DM signal ?!

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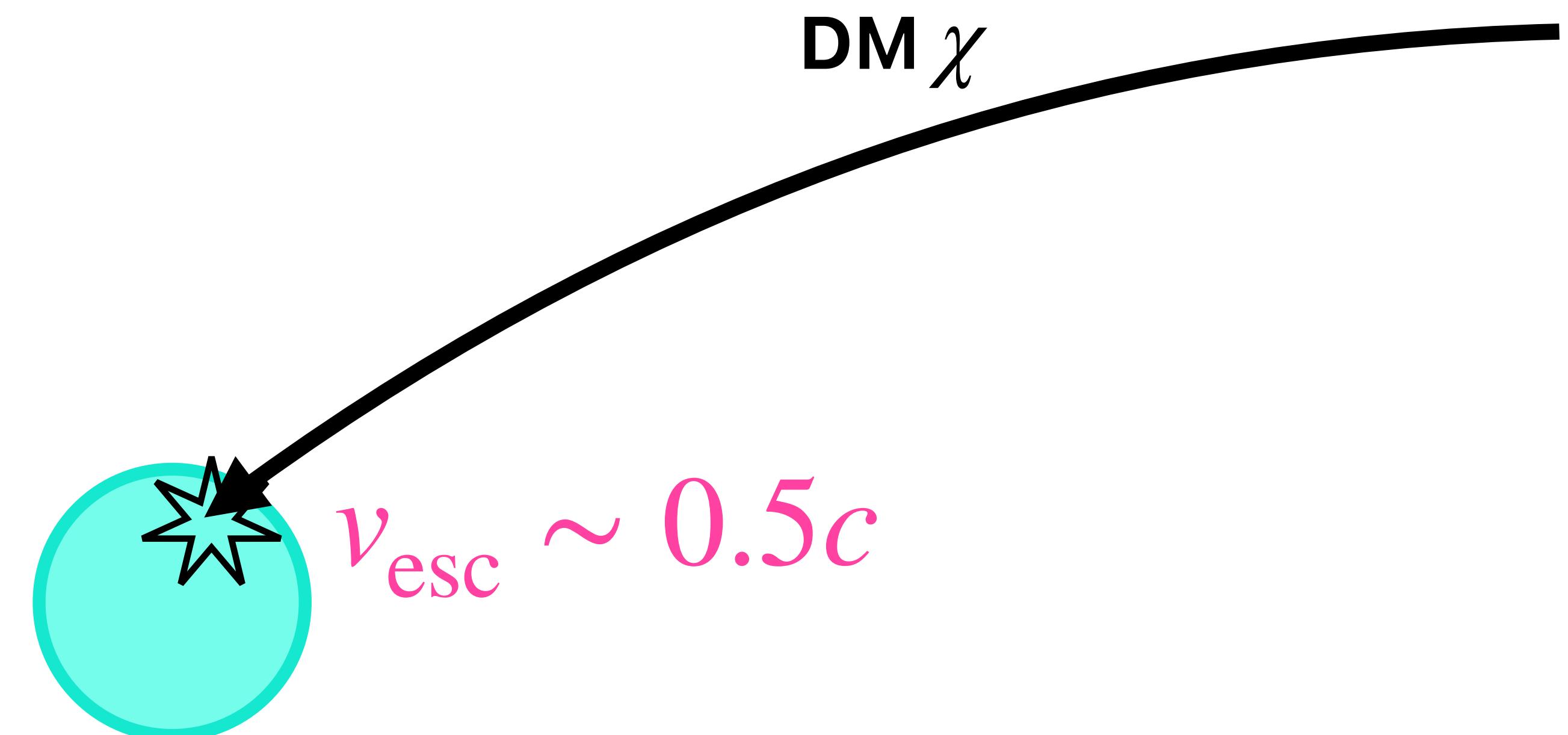
$$v_{\text{DM}} \sim 10^{-3}c$$

• From the energy conservation,

$$\text{escape velocity } v_{\text{esc}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{2GM_{\text{NS}}}{R_{\text{NS}}}} \sim 0.5 c$$

up to O(1) GR correction.

→ almost relativistic speed!



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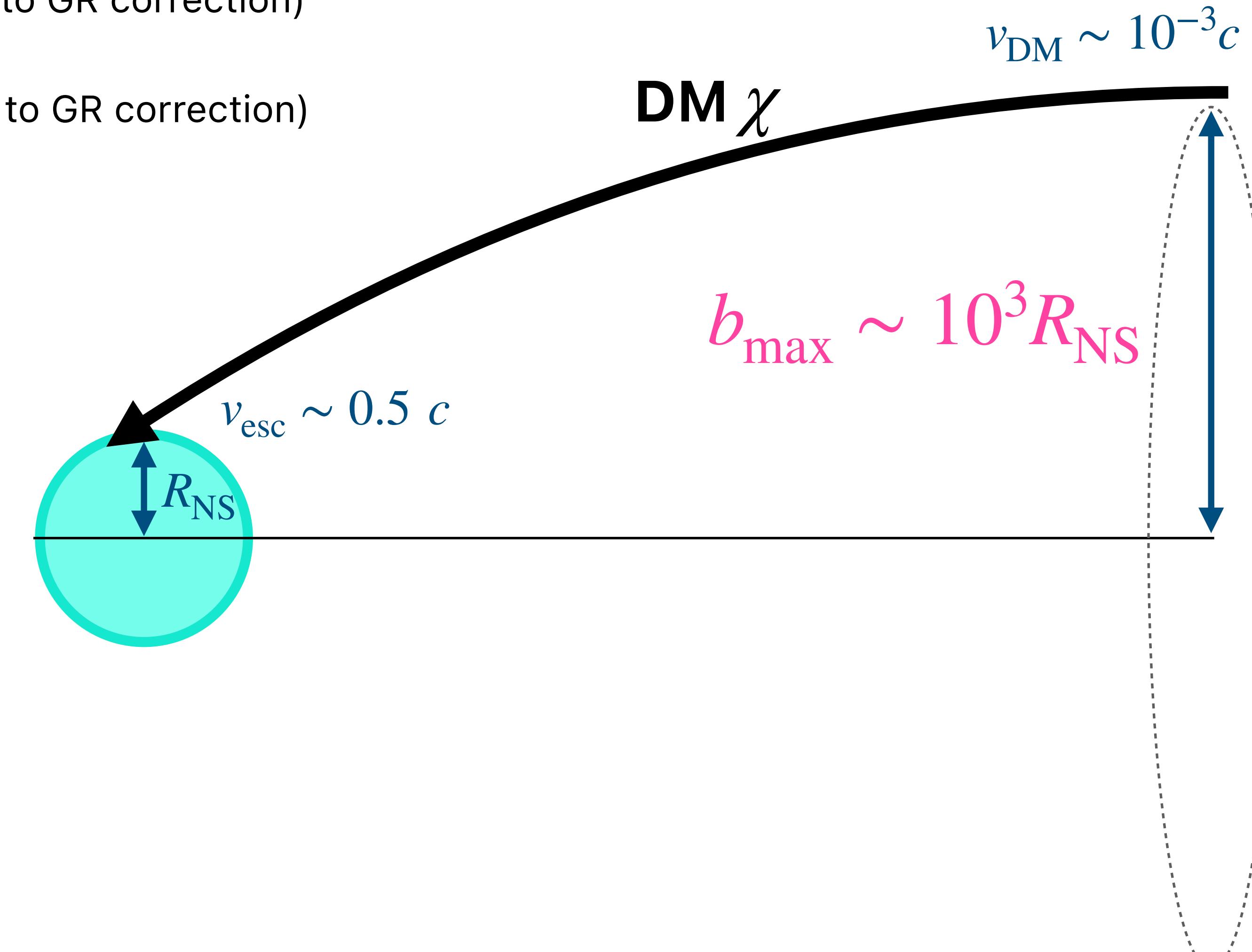
• From the angular momentum conservation,

$$b_{\max} v_{\text{DM}} \sim R_{\text{NS}} v_{\text{esc}}$$

$$\therefore b_{\max} \sim \frac{v_{\text{esc}}}{v_{\text{DM}}} R_{\text{NS}} \sim 10^3 R_{\text{NS}}$$

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→ $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^6)$ flux enhancement!



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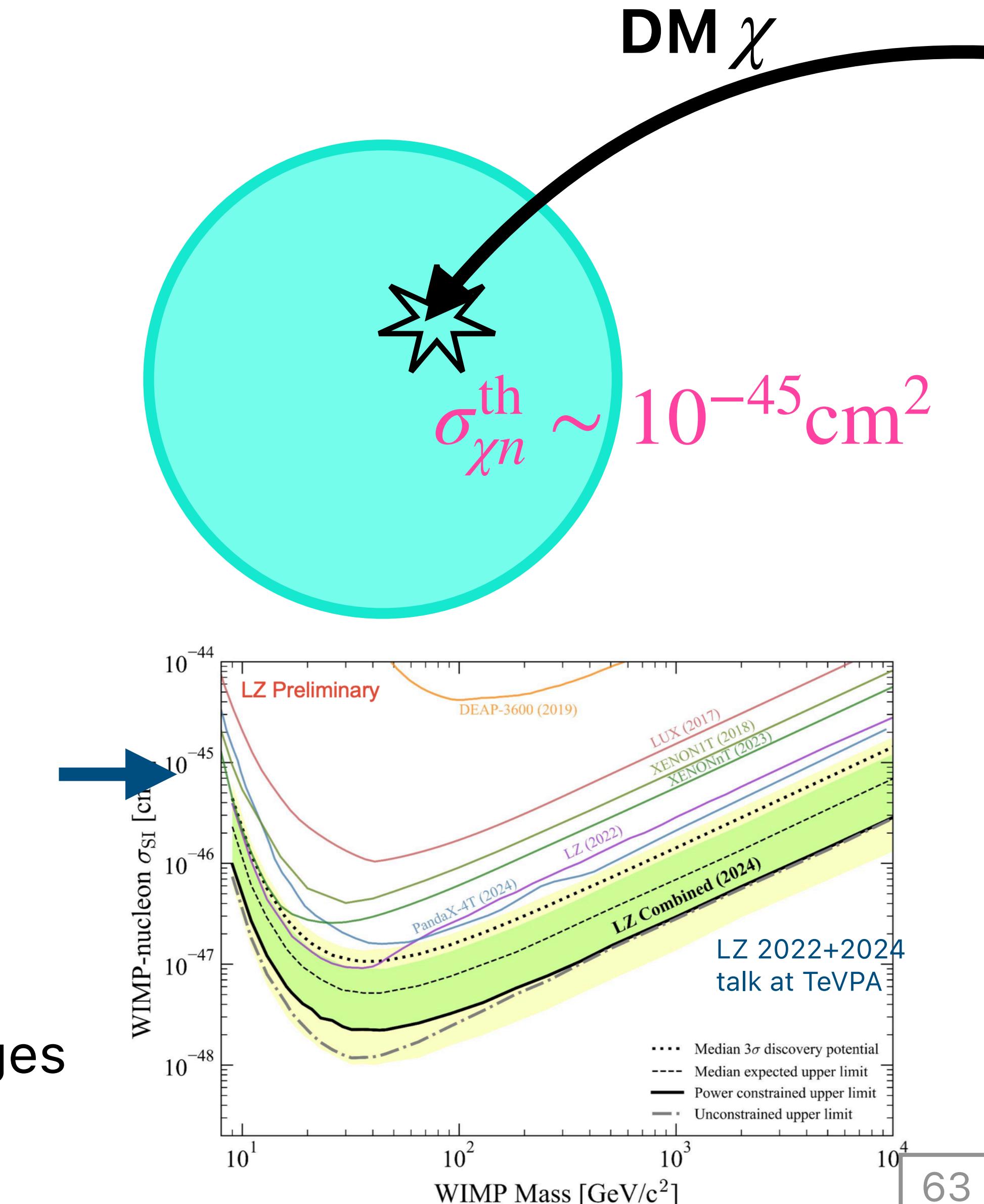
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- Assuming DM-neutron scattering, the mean free path is $L \sim 1/(\sigma_{\chi n} n_N)$ where $n_N \sim 4 \times 10^{38}/\text{cm}^3$ is the neutron density, and the scatterings occur if $L \lesssim R_{\text{NS}}$.

It is weaker than the current direct detection sensitivities, but there are still some advantages and complementarity 🤝 more on this later.



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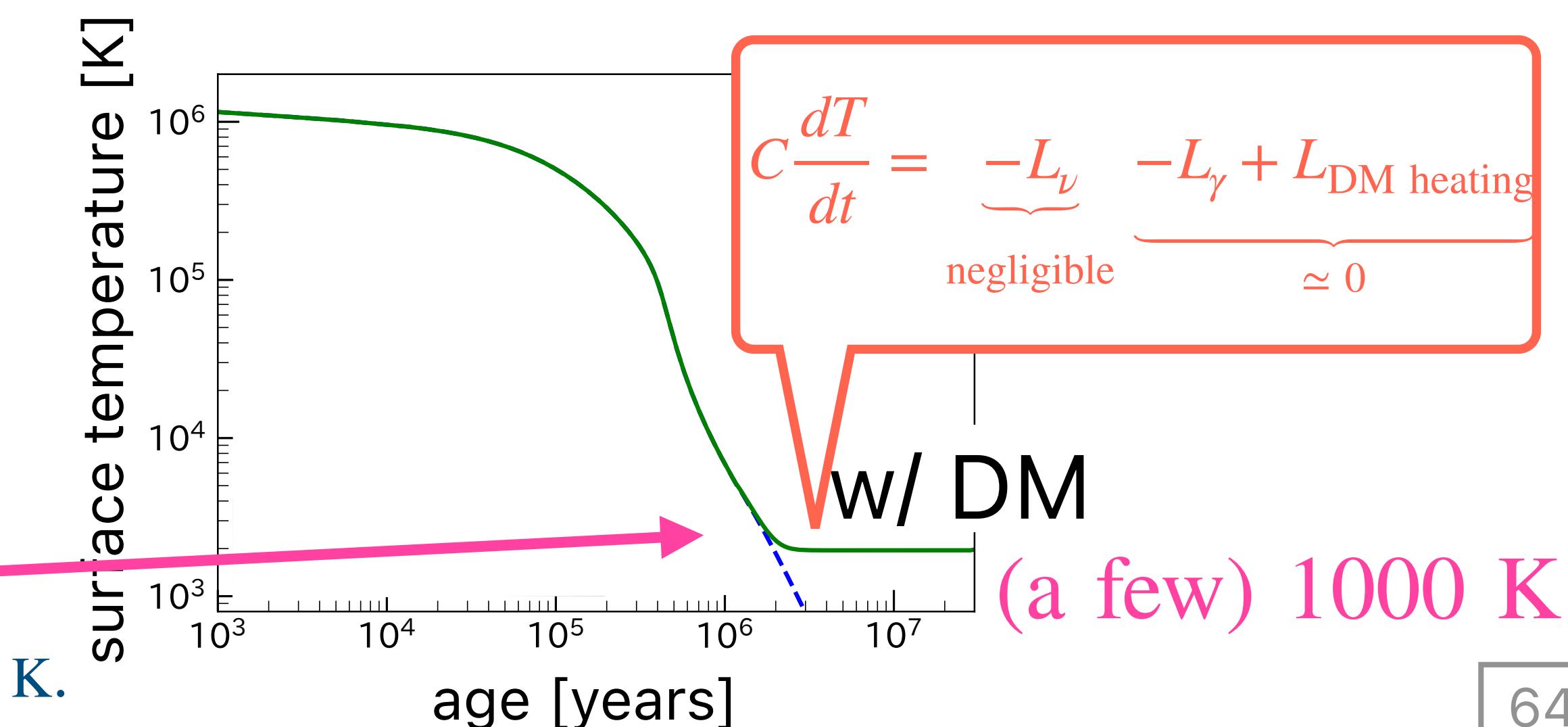
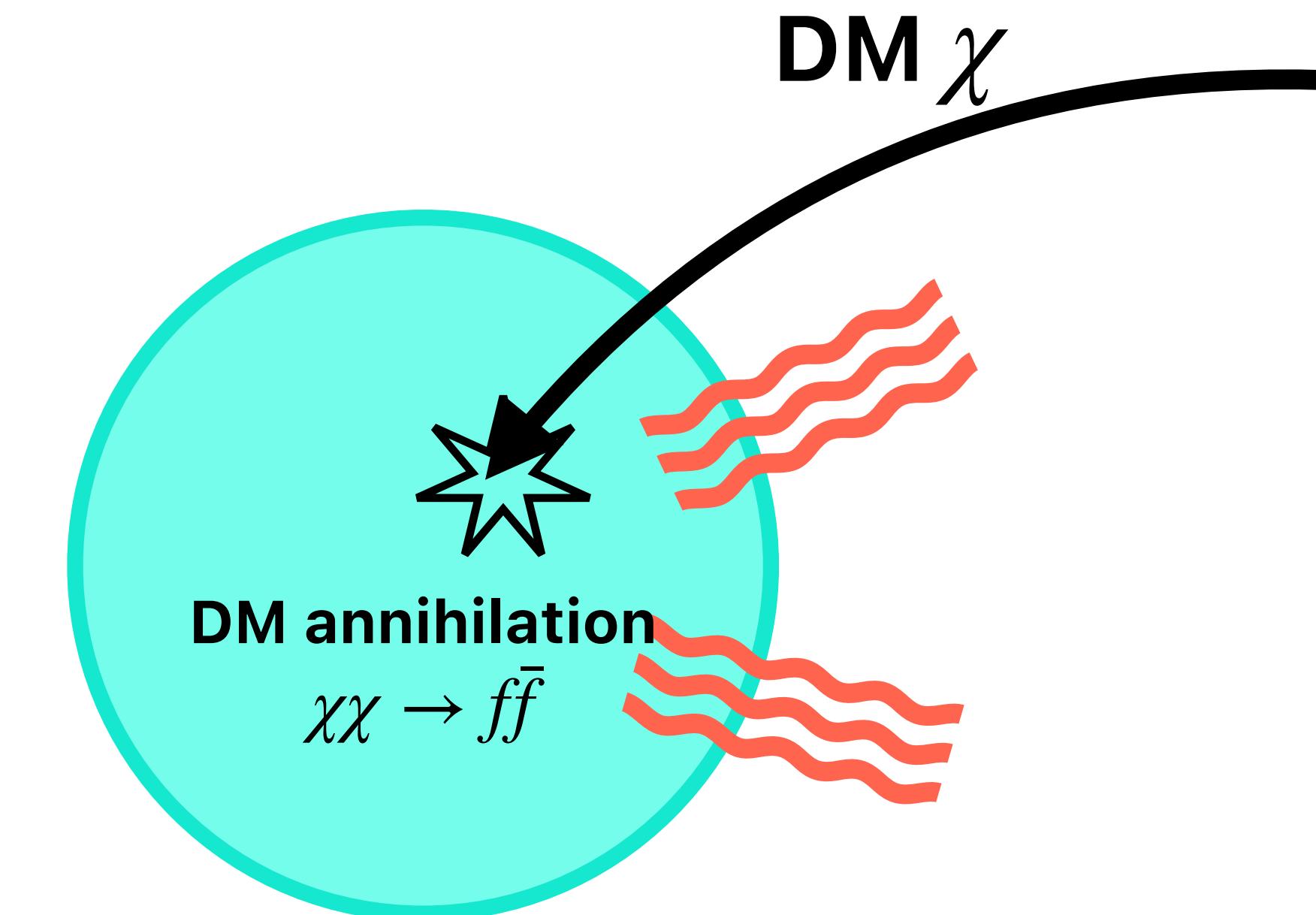
- The energy injection per time is estimated as

$$L_{\text{DM heating}} = \dot{E}_{\text{DM}} \sim \pi b_{\max}^2 \cdot v_{\text{DM}} \cdot \underbrace{n_{\text{DM}} \cdot m_{\text{DM}}}_{\rho_{\text{DM}}} \sim 10^{22} \text{ erg/s}$$

... independent of the DM mass!

For an old enough NS with $\tau \gtrsim 10^6$ yrs,

$$L_{\text{DM heating}} \sim L_\gamma = 4\pi R_{\text{NS}}^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}} T^4 \implies T \sim \text{a few } 1000 \text{ K.}$$



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- (5) Typical mass range: $\mathcal{O}(0.1 \text{ GeV}) - \mathcal{O}(1000 \text{ TeV})$.

- For $< 0.1 \text{ GeV}$, Pauli blocking suppresses scatterings.
- For $> 1000 \text{ TeV}$, a single scattering is not enough to catch DM.

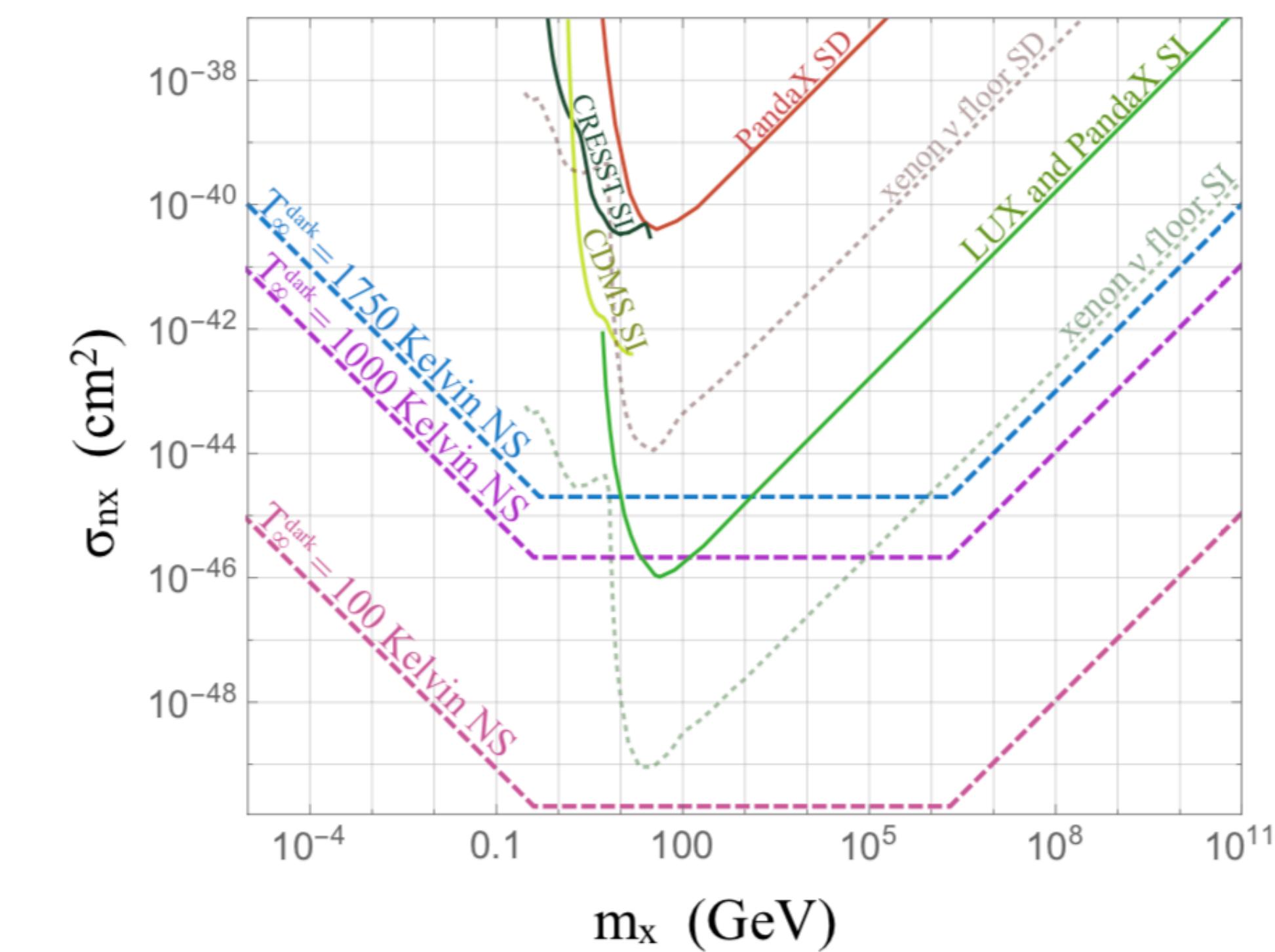


Fig. from Baryakhtar+, 1704.01577
(See also: N. F. Bell+, 2004.14888.)

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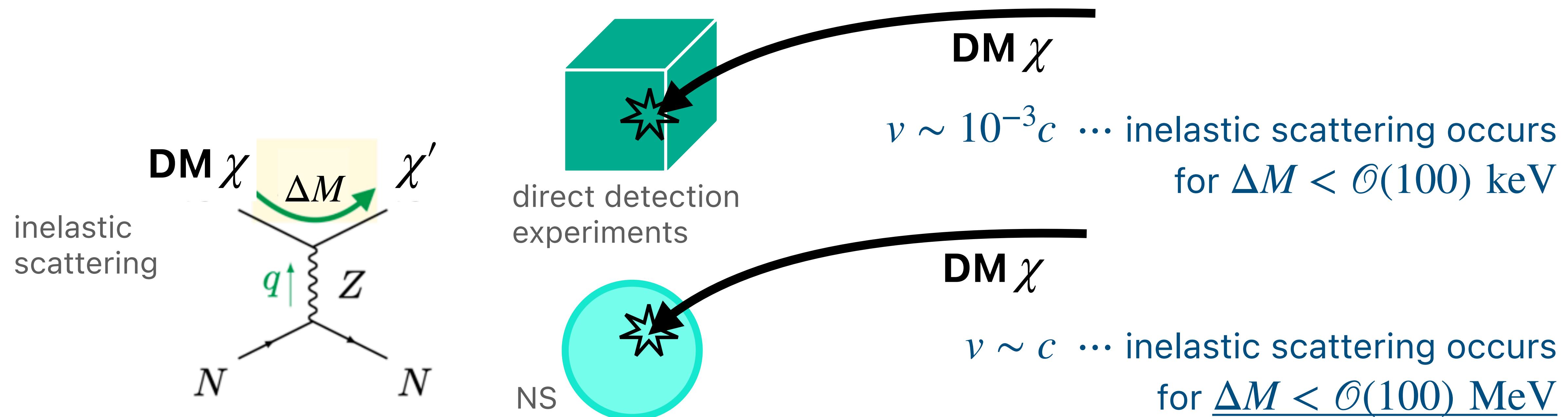


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NS is much more sensitive to inelastic scattering.

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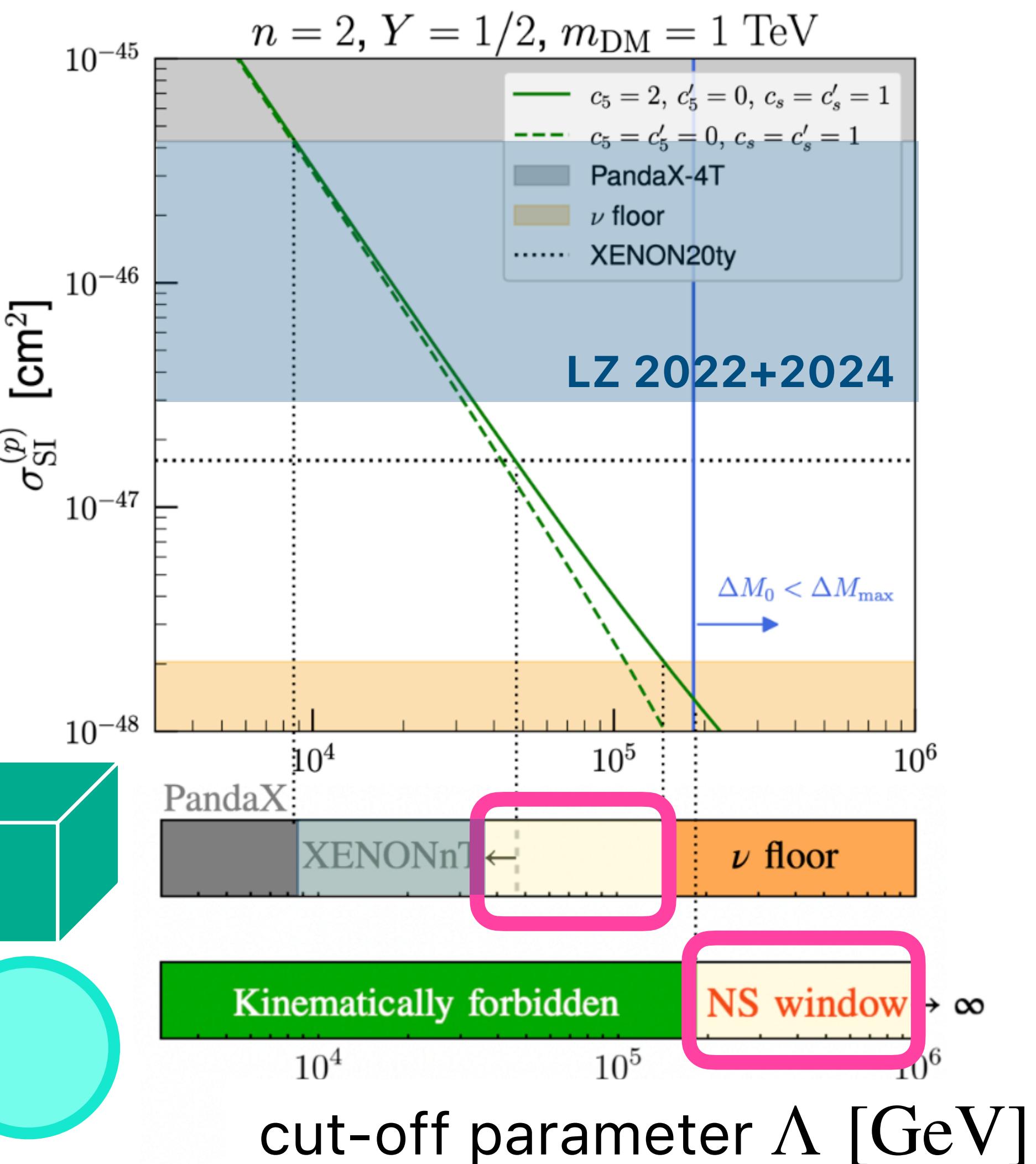
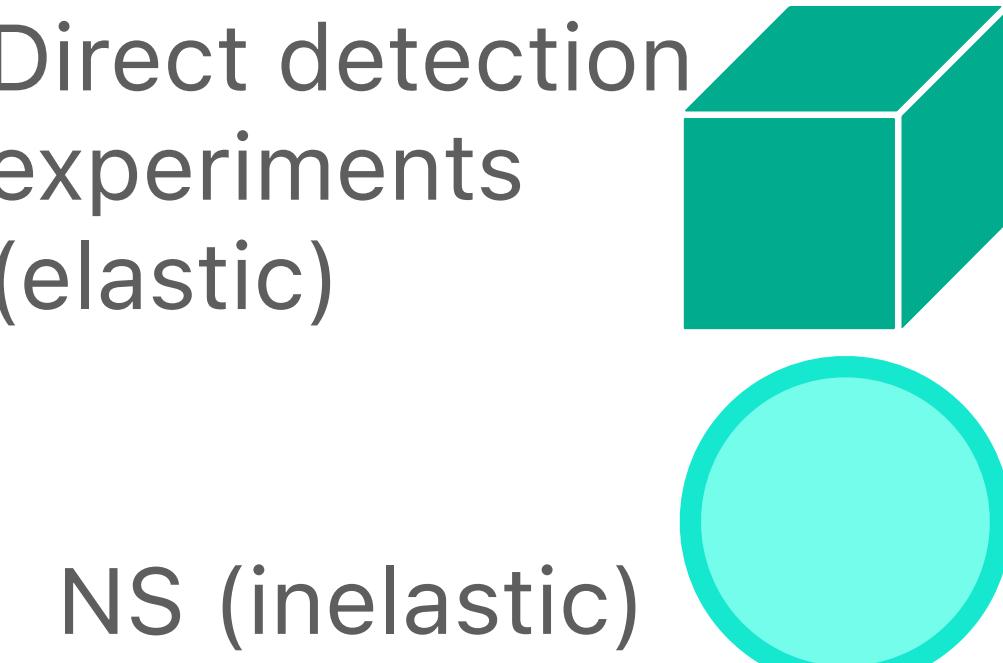
example: Electroweak multiplet DM

e.g., Wino and Higgsino in SUSY

dim-5 effective operators

w/ cut-off parameter Λ

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_5 = & -\frac{c_5}{\Lambda} \sum_m (-1)^{j+m} \eta_{-m} \chi_m |H|^2 \\ & - \frac{c'_5}{\Lambda} \sum_{m,n} (-1)^{j+m} \eta_{-m} (T_a)_{mn} \chi_n H^\dagger \tau_a H + \text{h.c.} \end{aligned}$$



Direct detection and NS heating can play complementary roles.

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(2) Multiple Targets: e, μ, p, n

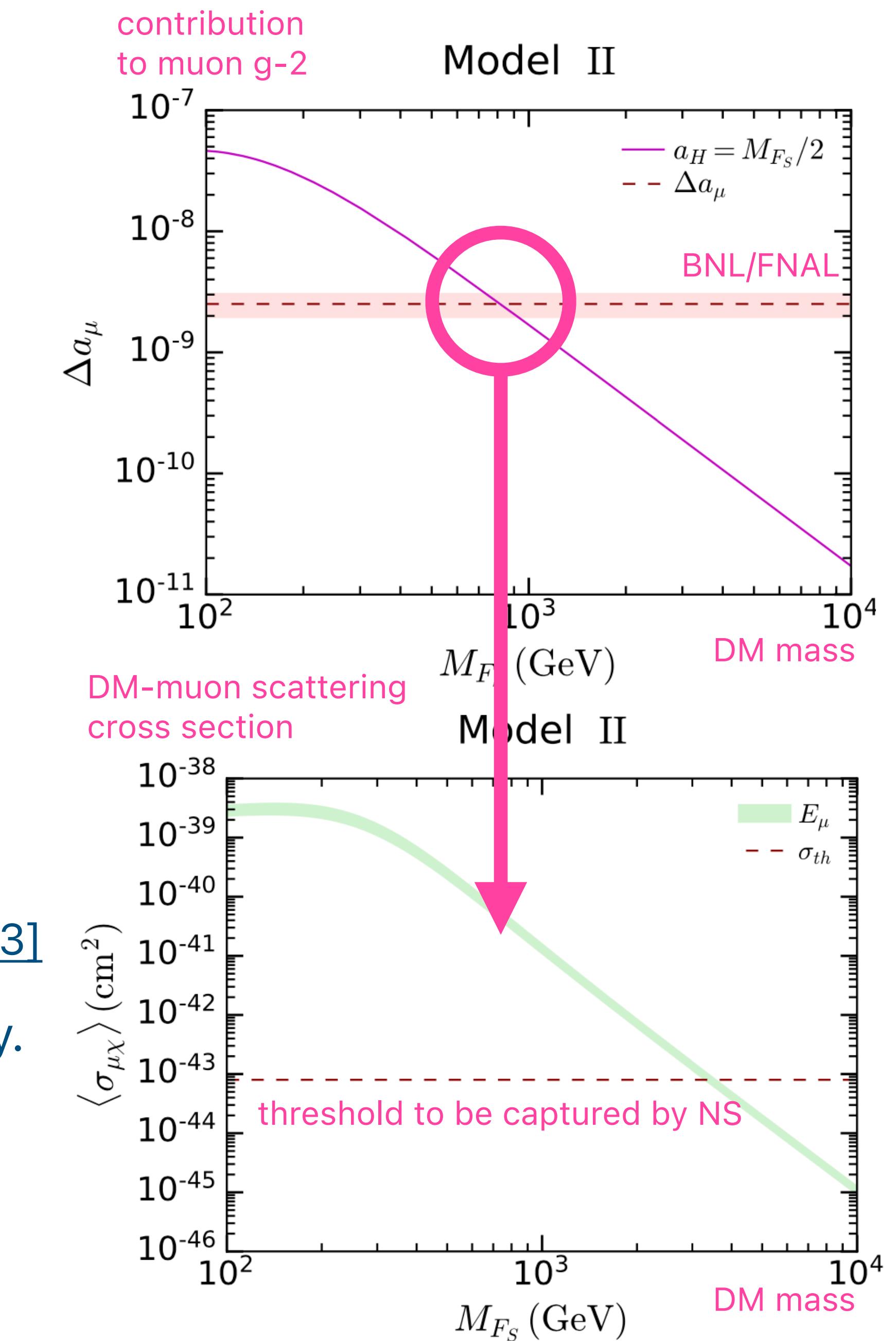
example: DM coupled only to muon.

[KH, Nagata, Ramirez-Quezada \[2204.02413\]](#)

Models motivated by the (then-considered) muon g-2 anomaly.

→ A large parameter space will remain unexplored in the LHC and DM direct searches.

NS temperature may be a promising way.



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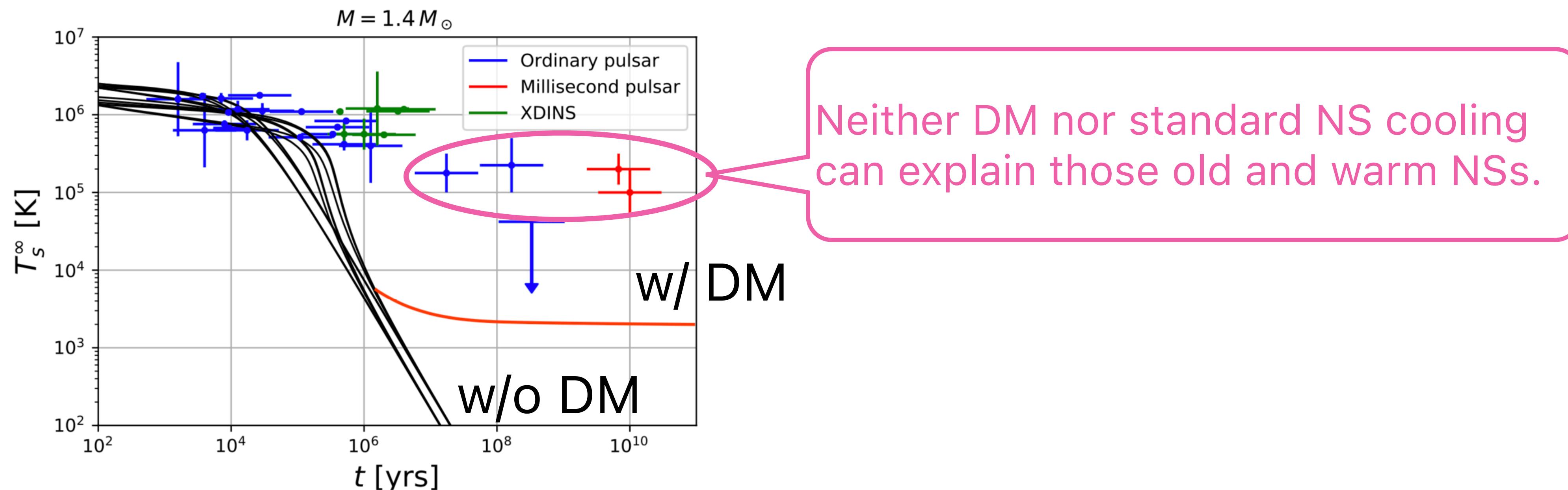


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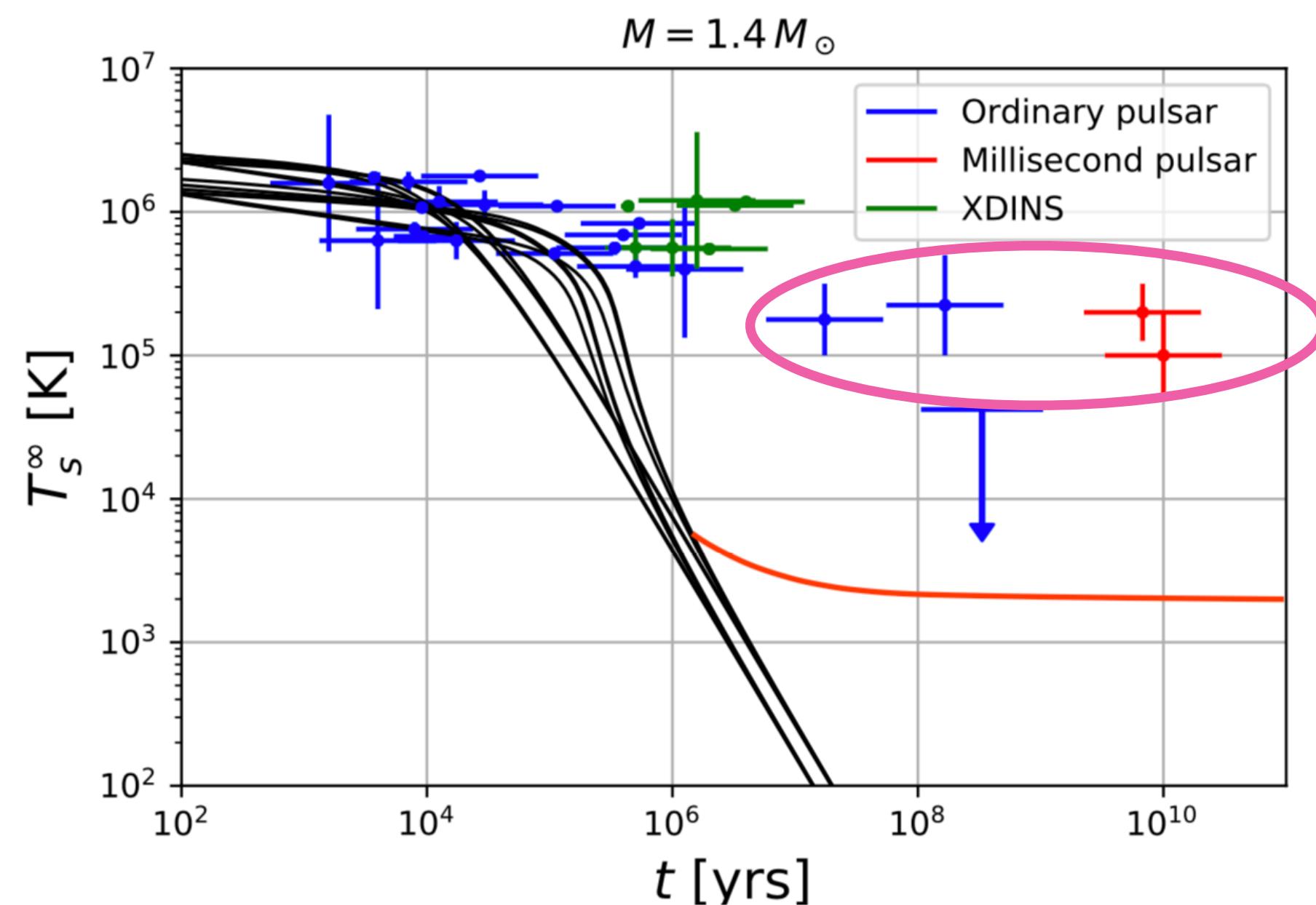


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There are some **internal NS heating mechanisms** that can explain those NS temperatures, such as

- (1) Rotochemical heating
- (2) Vortex creep heating

We revisited those mechanisms and investigated their implications for the DM heating of NS.

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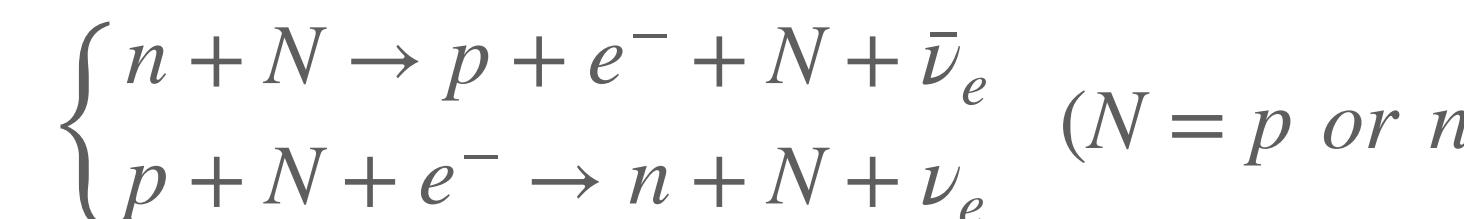
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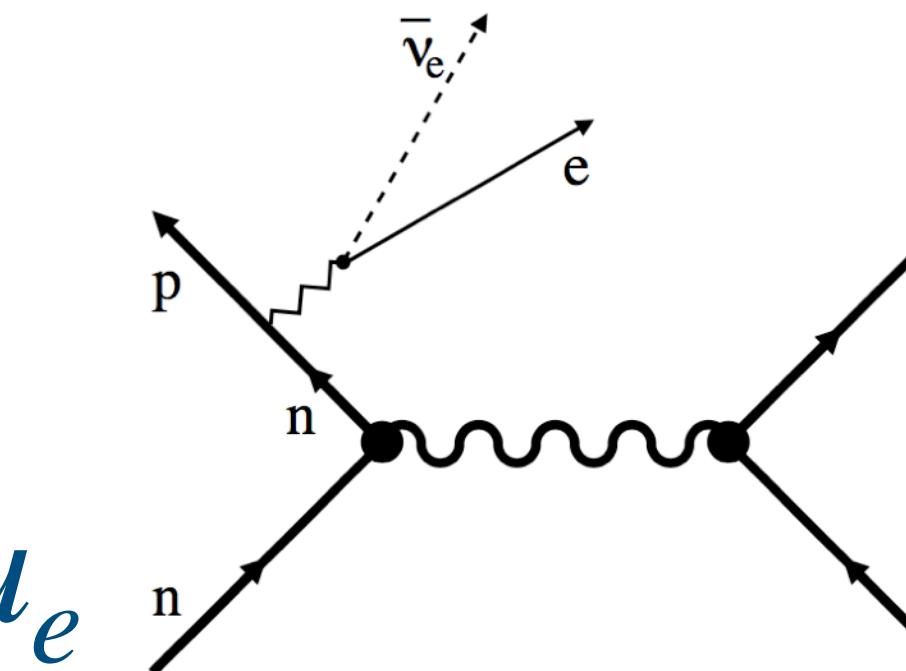
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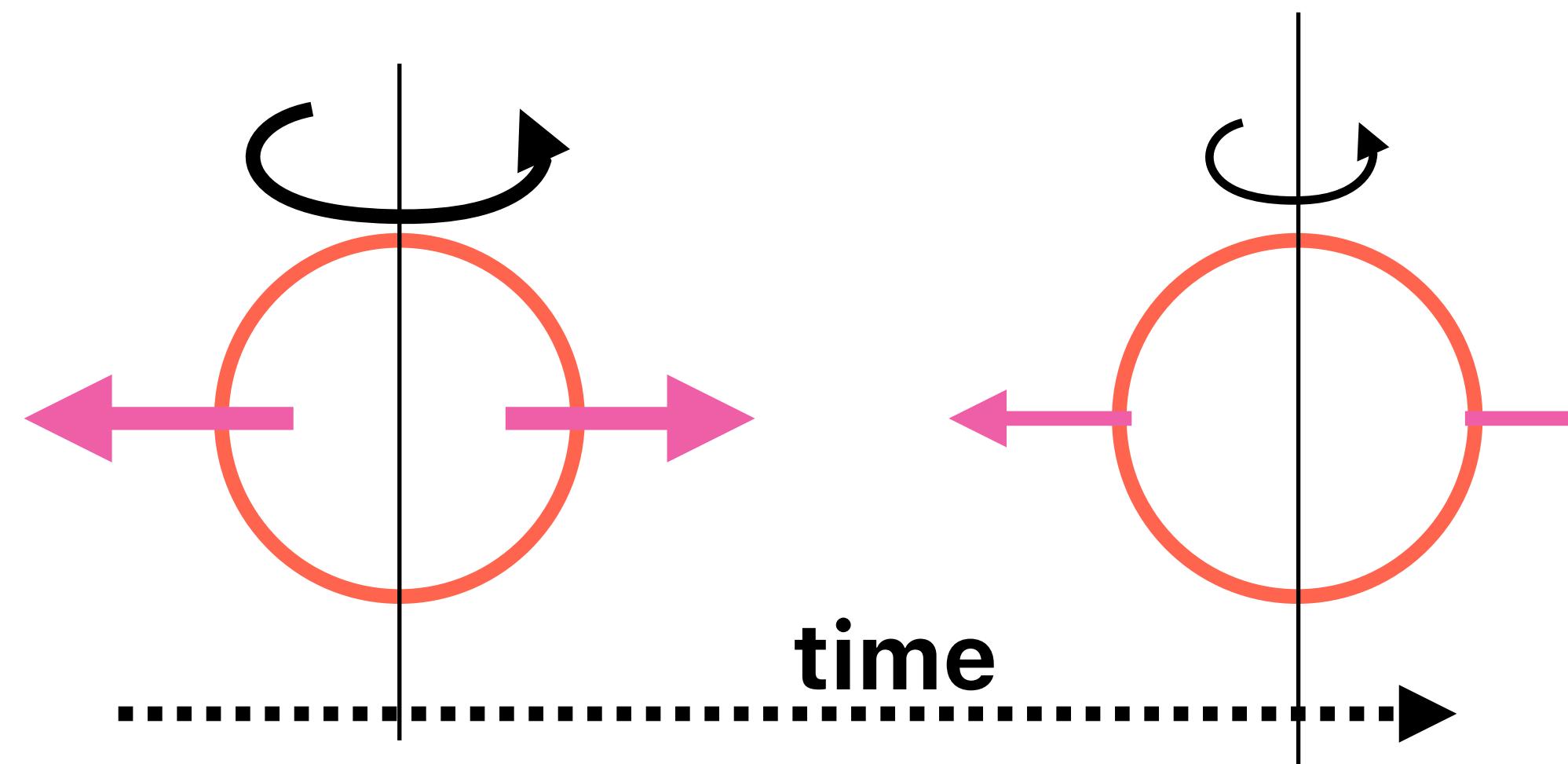


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- However, β -equilibrium is NOT maintained in rotating pulsars!



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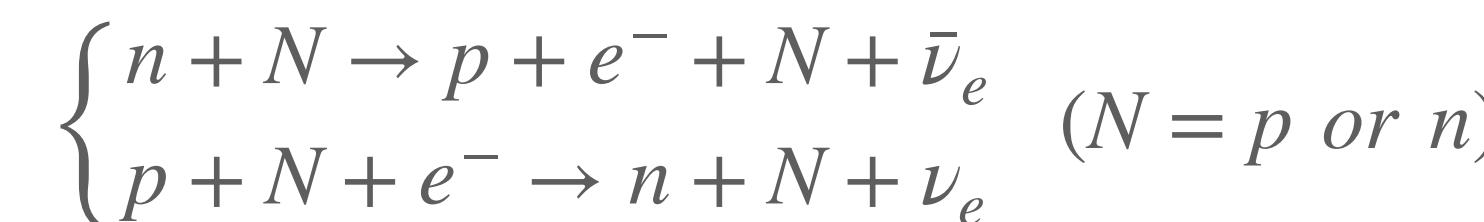
spin-down weakens the centrifugal force.
→ pressure changes.
→ chemical eq. condition changes
→ at low T,
the modified Urca process (slow, $\sim T^8$)
can no longer maintain the equilibrium.

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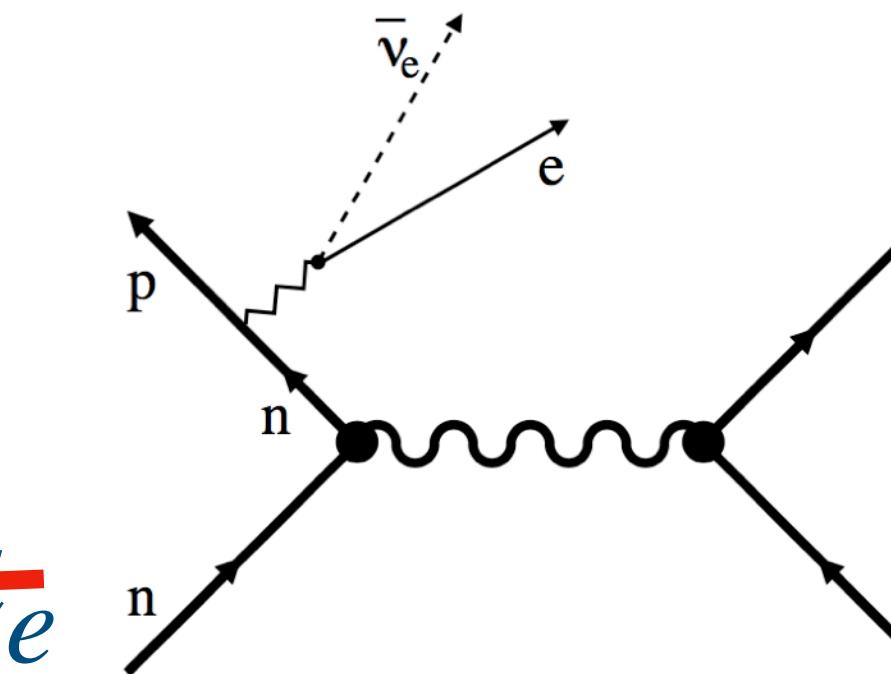
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- The deviation from β -equilibrium **heats the NS**.

$$L_{\text{rotochemical heating}} = \int dV (\mu_n - \mu_p - \mu_e) (\Gamma_{n \rightarrow p+e} - \Gamma_{p+e \rightarrow n}) > 0. \quad \text{"Rotochemical heating"}$$

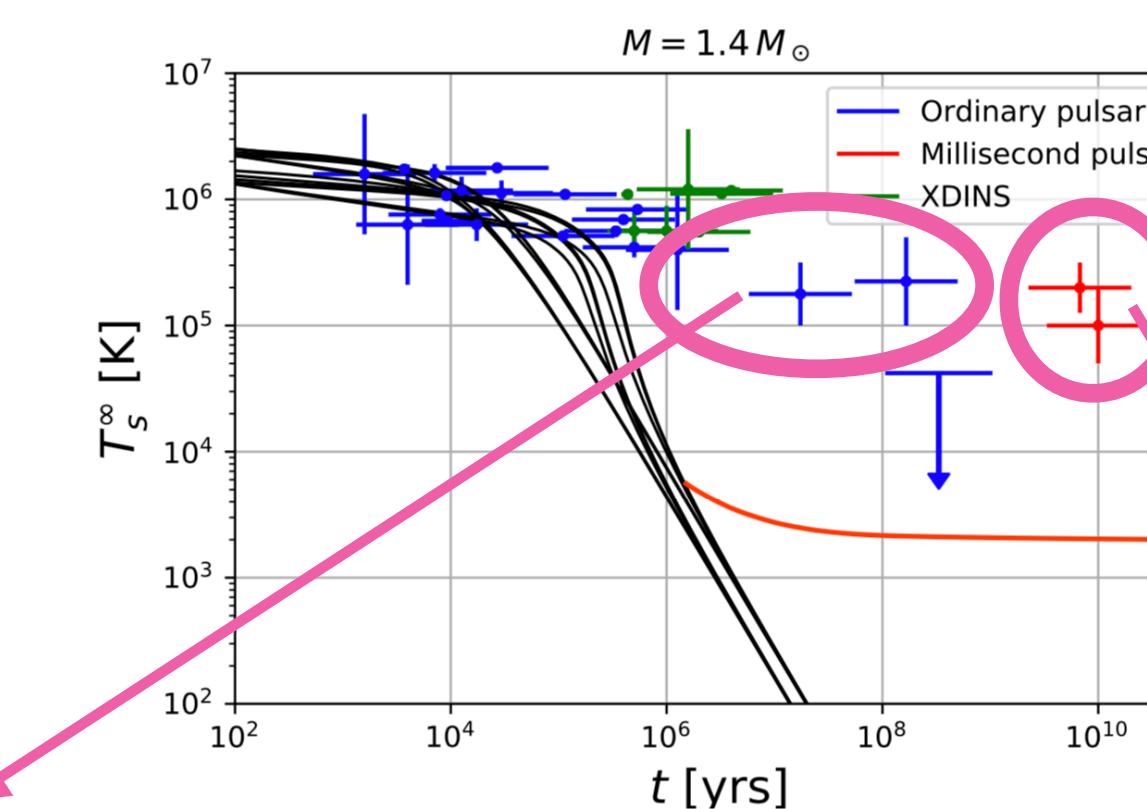
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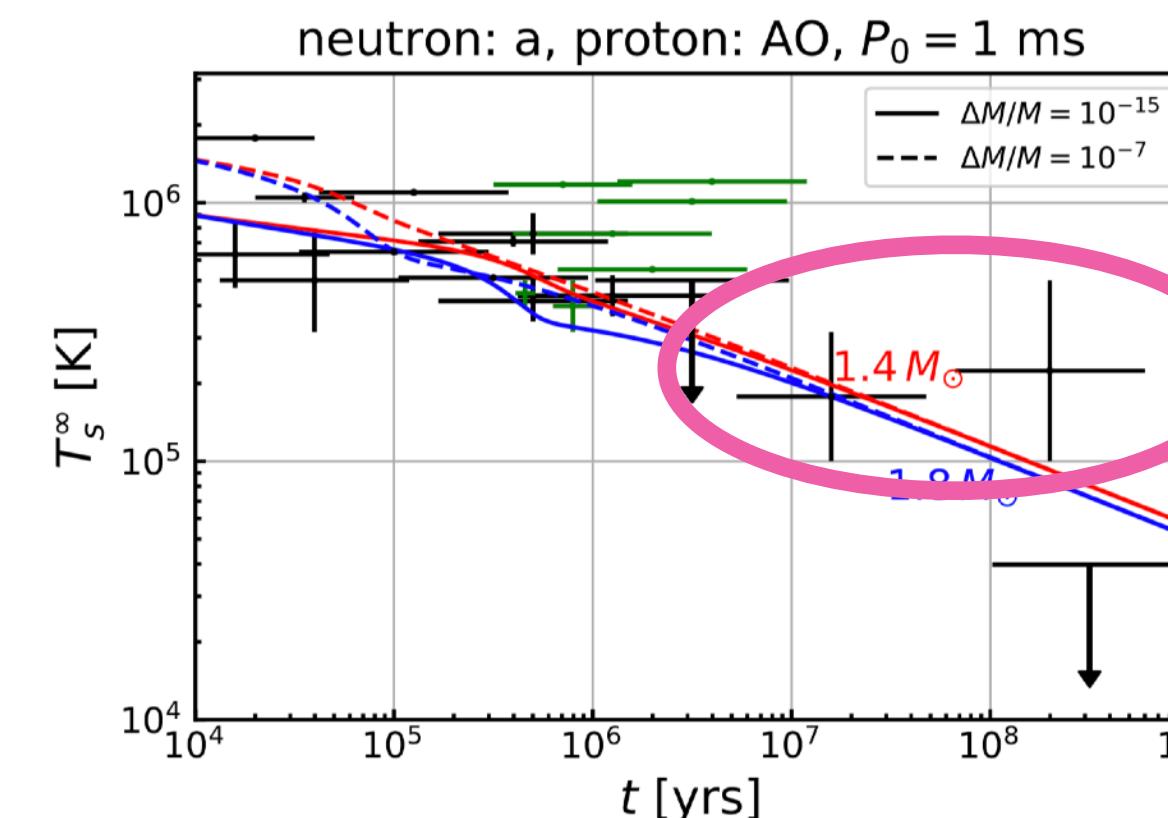
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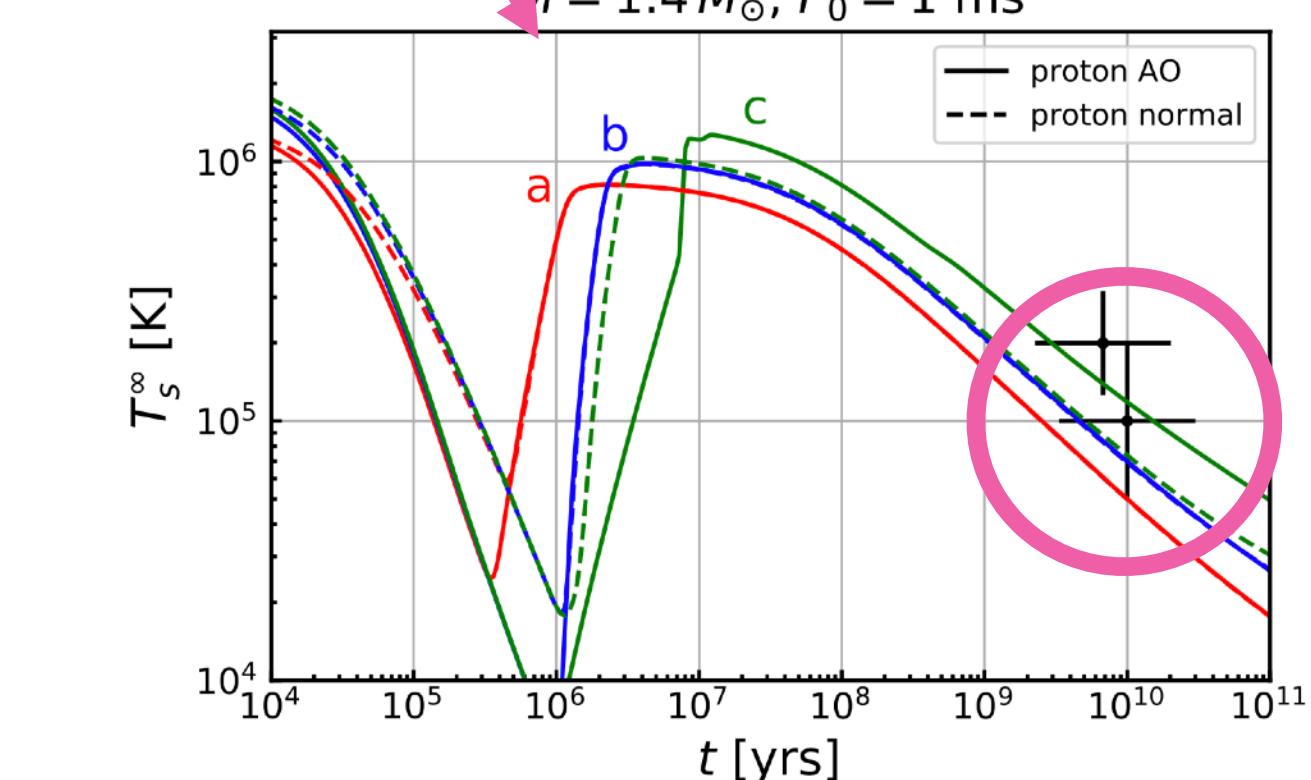


K. Yanagi, N. Nagata, KH
[arXiv:1904.04667]



Ordinary pulsar

(typically $P \sim 1$ s, $\dot{P} \sim 10^{-14}$, $B \sim 10^{12}$ G)



Millisecond pulsar

(typically $P \sim 1$ ms, $\dot{P} \sim 10^{-20}$, $B \sim 10^8$ G)

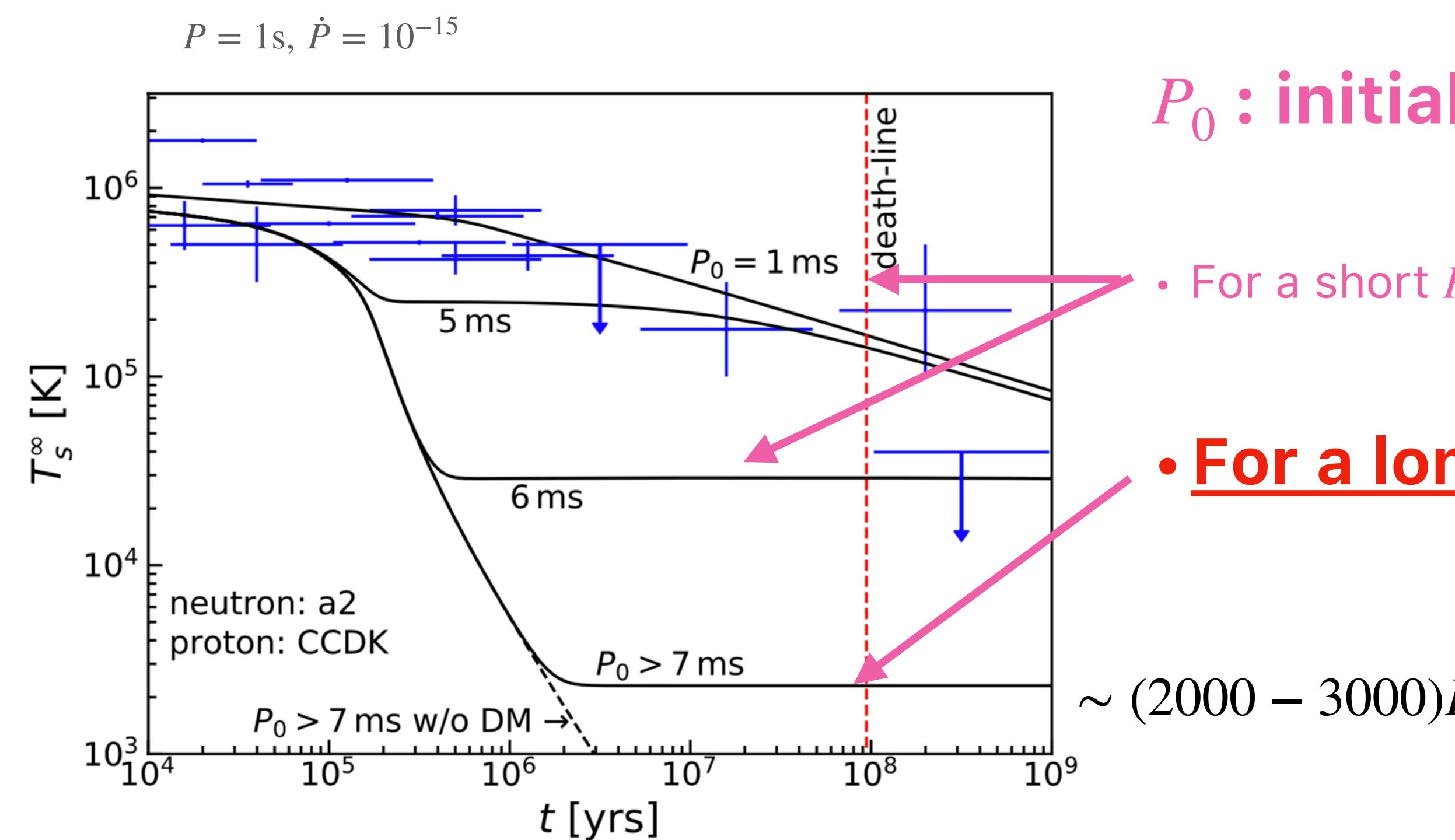
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(1)' Rotochemical heating + DM heating

KH, N. Nagata, K. Yanagi, [1905.02991]

$$C \frac{dT}{dt} = -L_\nu - L_\gamma + L_{\text{rotochemical heating}} + L_{\text{DM heating}}$$



P_0 : initial rotation period

- For a short P_0 , DM heating effect is invisible.

- For a long P_0 , DM heating effect is visible.

There is still a chance
to see DM signal in this case.

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(2) Vortex Creep heating

Alpar+, 1984, Shibasaki+, 1989

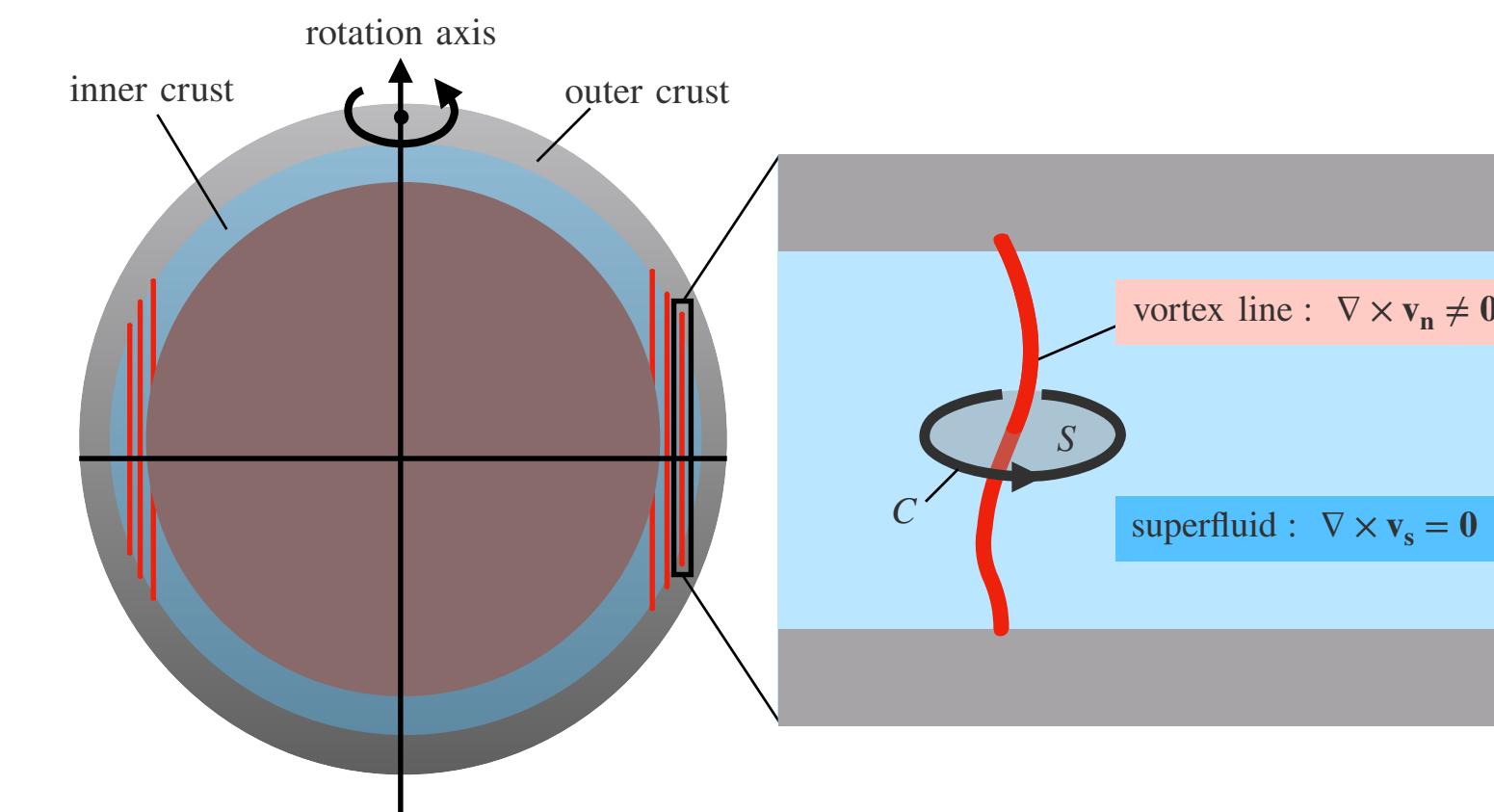
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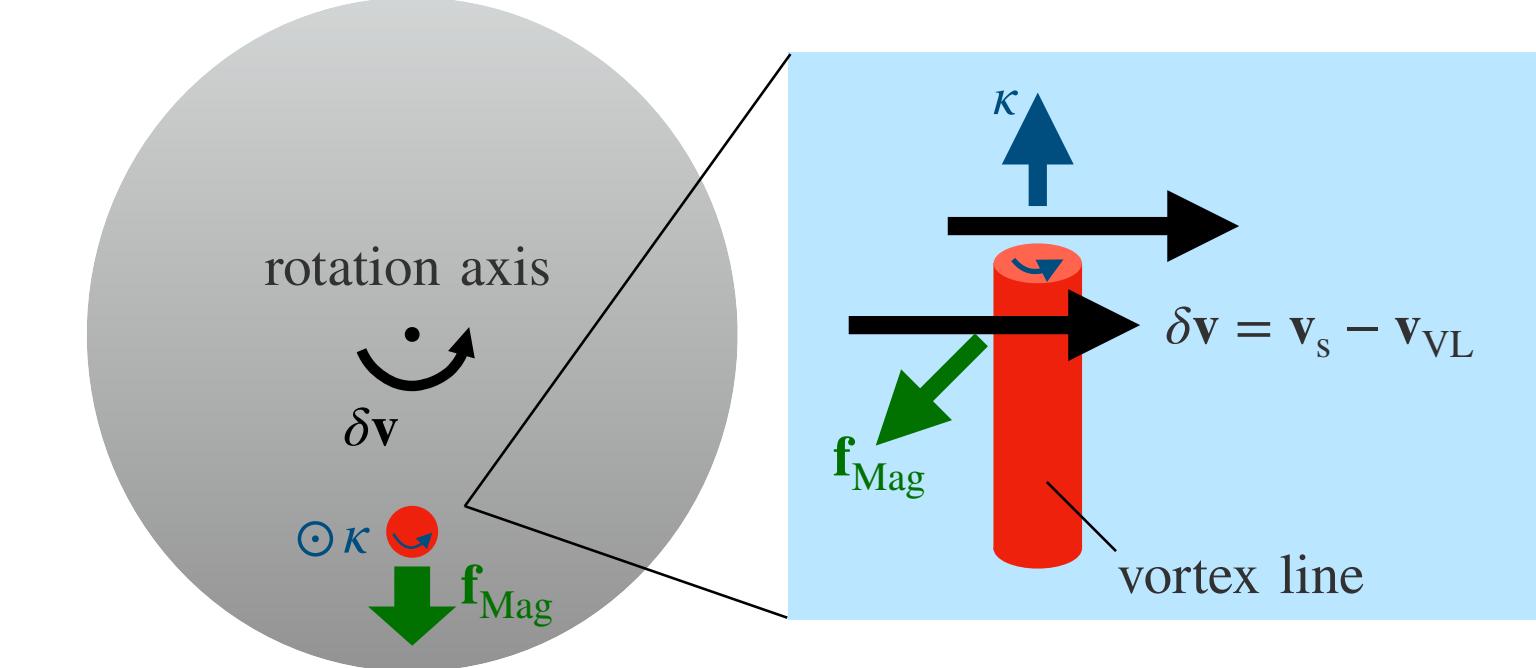
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Alpar+, 1984, Shibasaki+, 1989

- Cooper pairs (superfluidity)
→ **vortex lines** are formed in a rotating NS.



- The slow-down of the outer crust component induces a Magnus force on vortex lines.
→ vortex lines start to move outwards. (**vortex creep**)



- The rotational energy stored in the superfluid component is dissipated as heat (**vortex creep heating**)

$$L_{\text{vortex creep heating}} = J |\dot{\Omega}|$$

J : universal constant

Ω : NS angular velocity

Figs. from
Fujiwara, KH, N. Nagata,
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[2308.16066]

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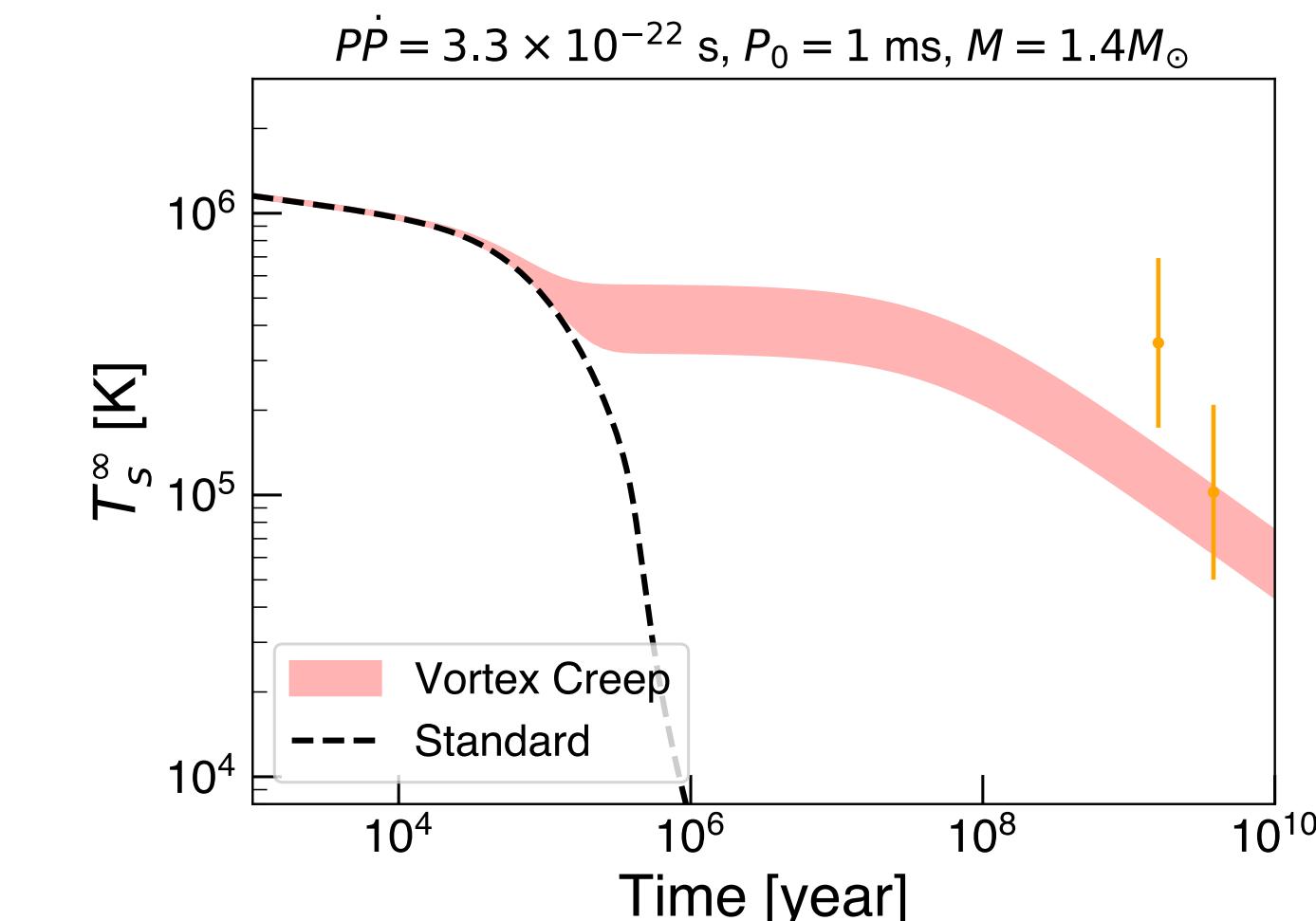
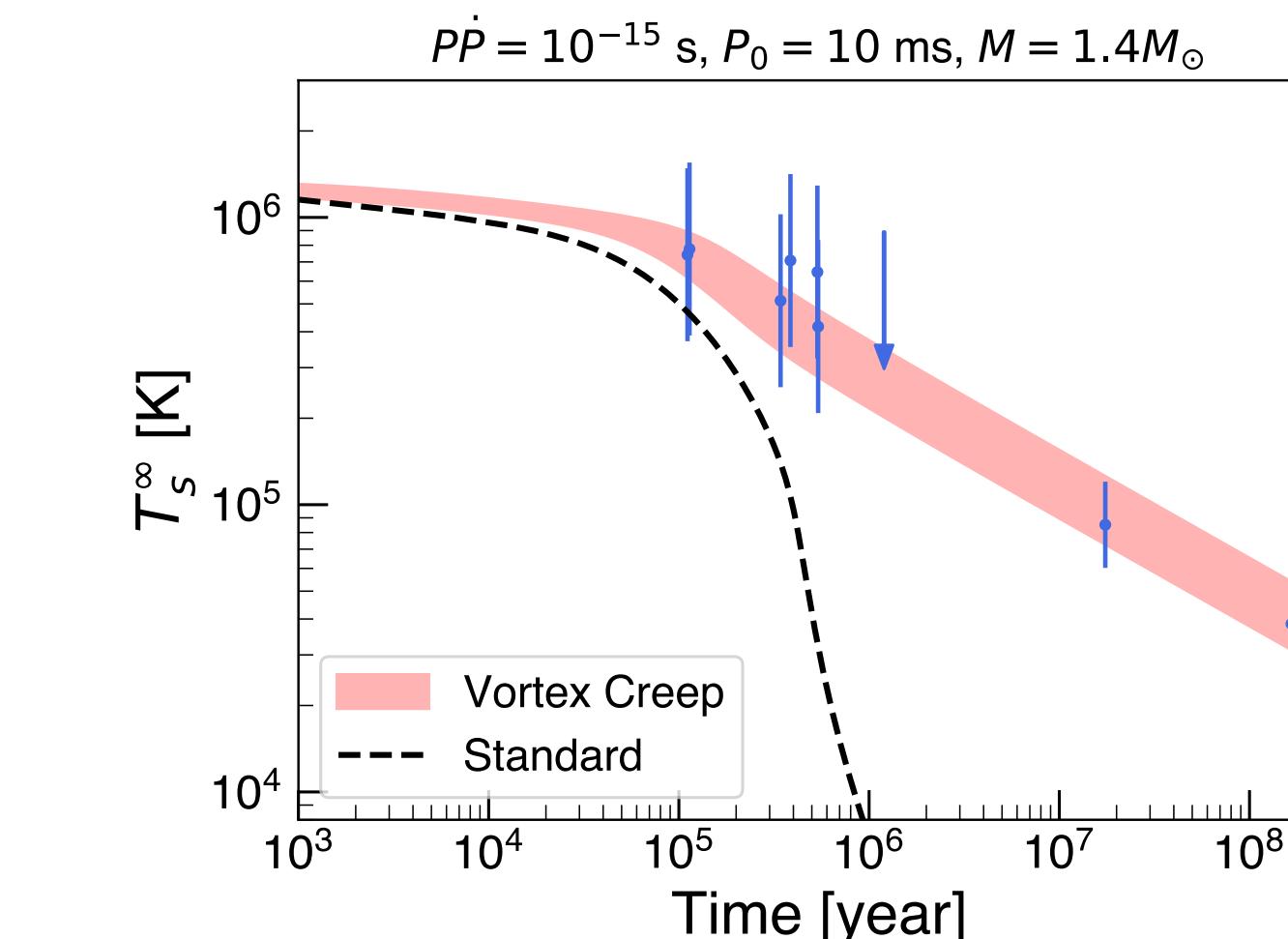
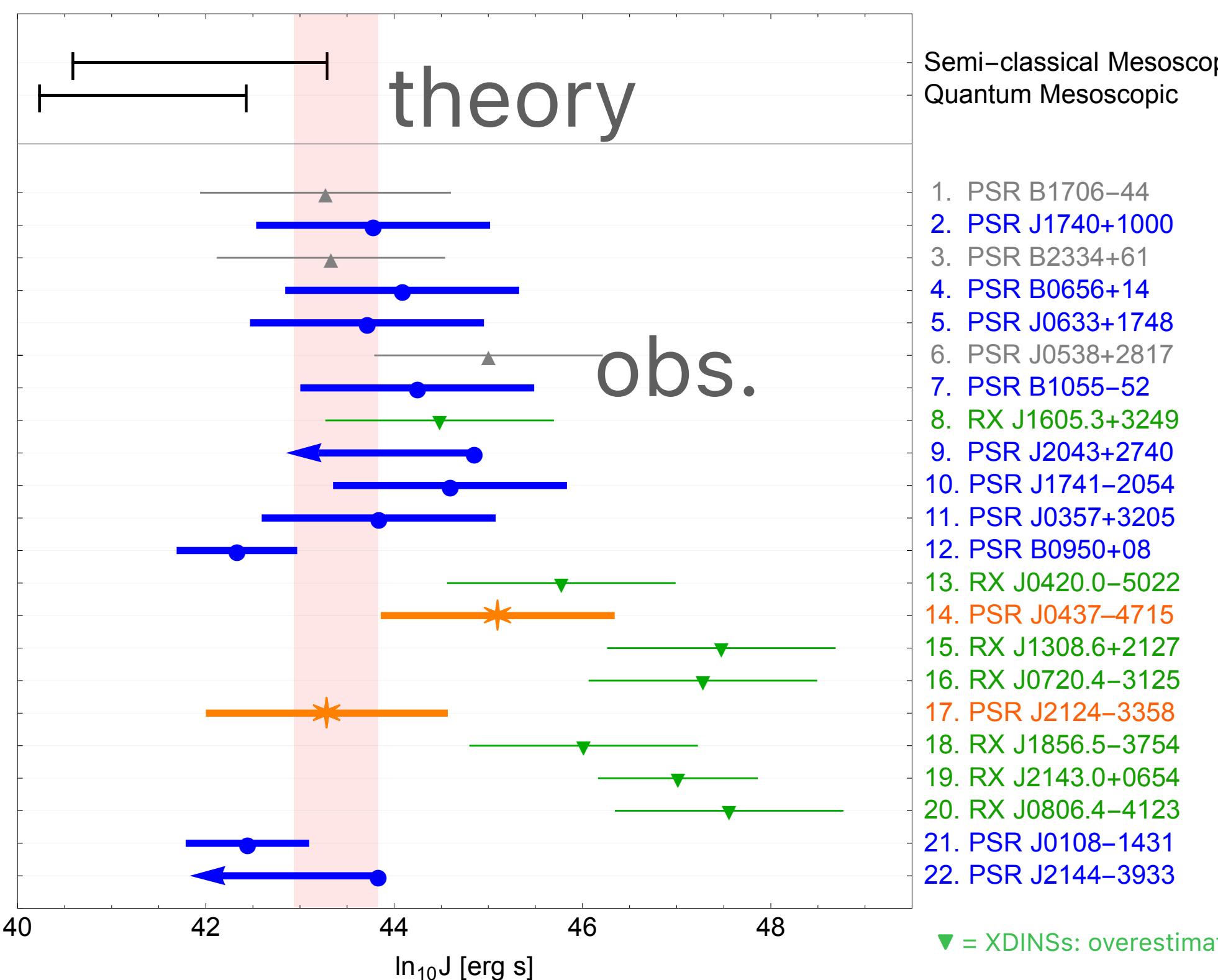
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It can explain the old and warm NSs with a universal constant $J \sim 10^{43} - 10^{44}$ erg · s.

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It can explain the old and warm NSs with a universal constant $J \sim 10^{43} - 10^{44} \text{ erg} \cdot \text{s}$.

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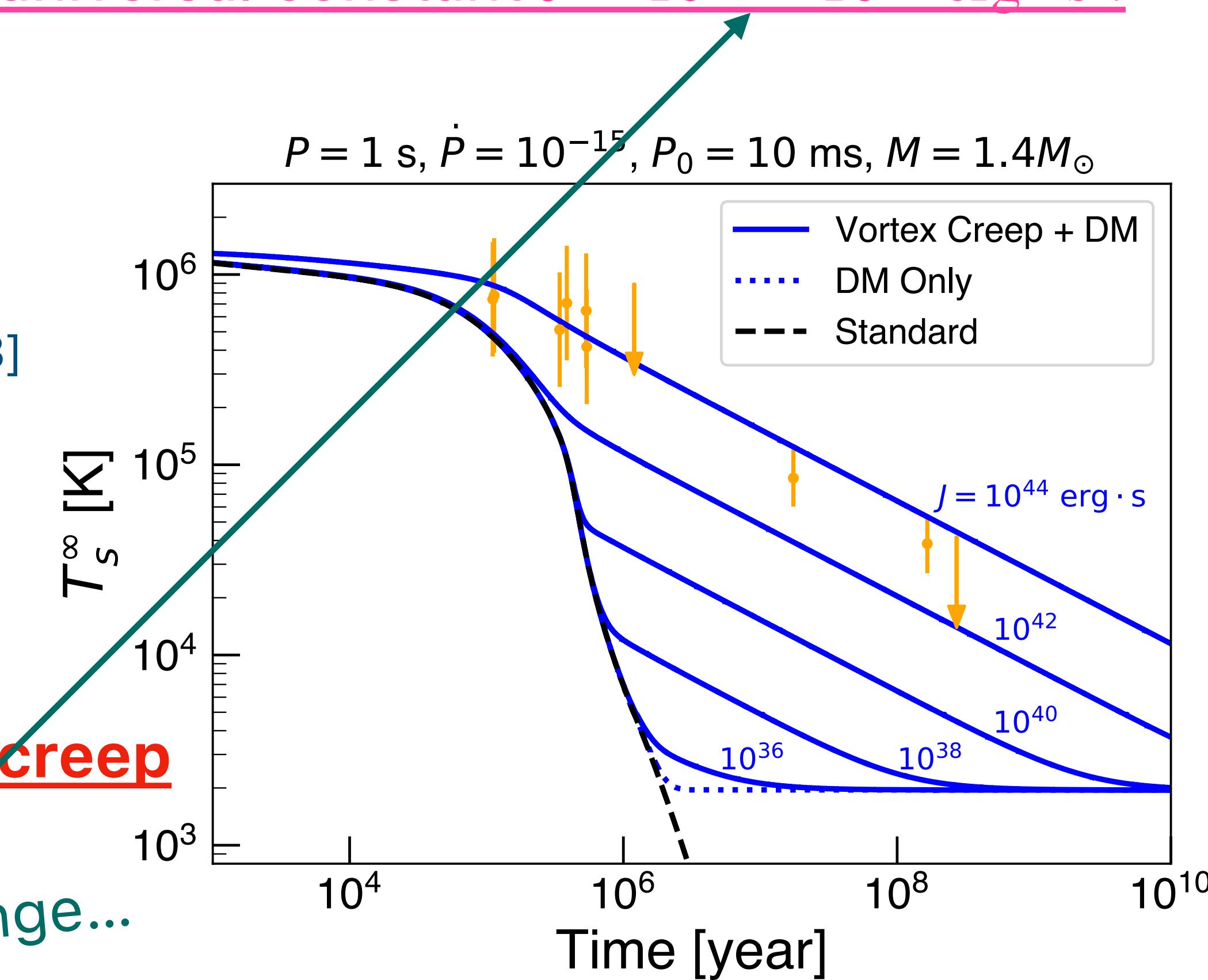
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The DM heating is masked under the vortex creep heating unless $J \lesssim 10^{38} \text{ erg} \cdot \text{s}$.

This may be a serious challenge...



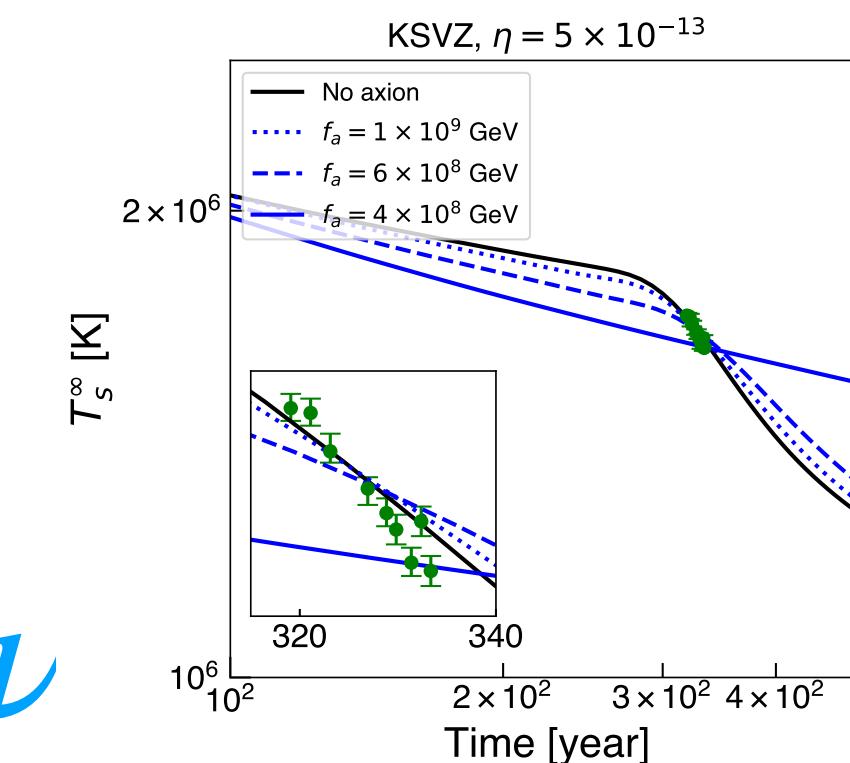
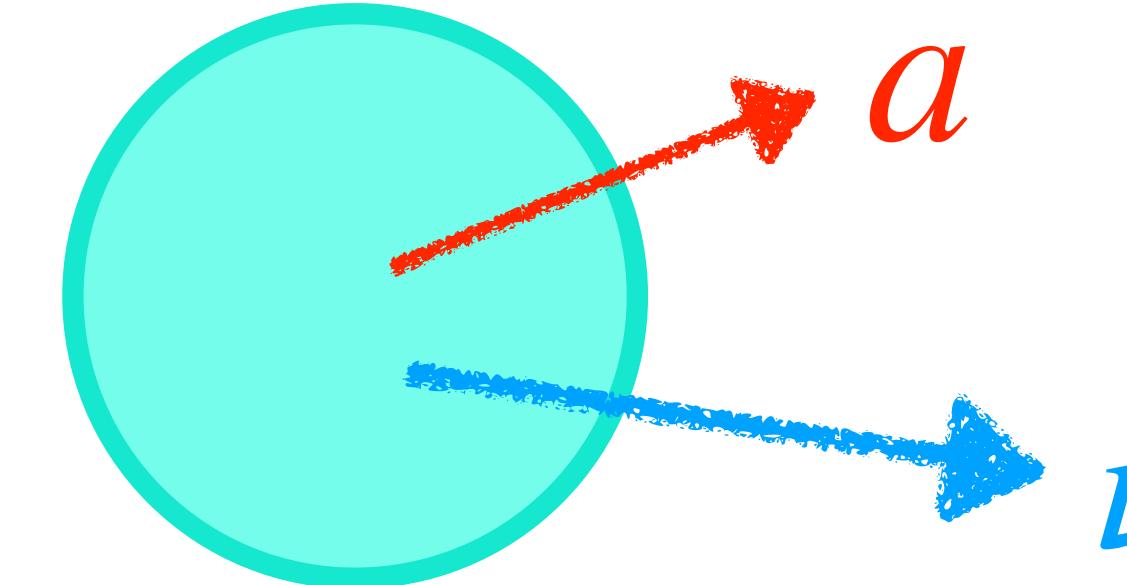
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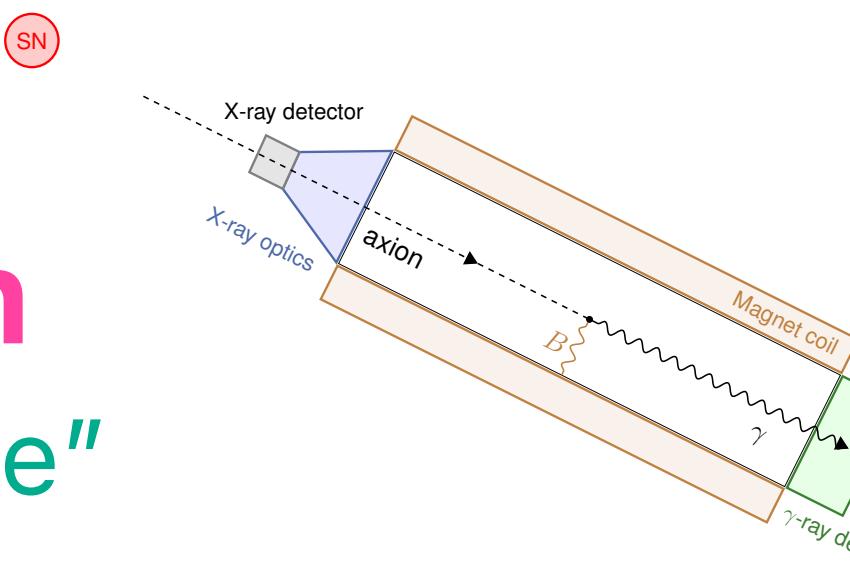
① Cas A NS Cooling by **axion**

A new bound, $f_a > \mathcal{O}(10^8)$ GeV



② Side Remark: **Supernova Axion**

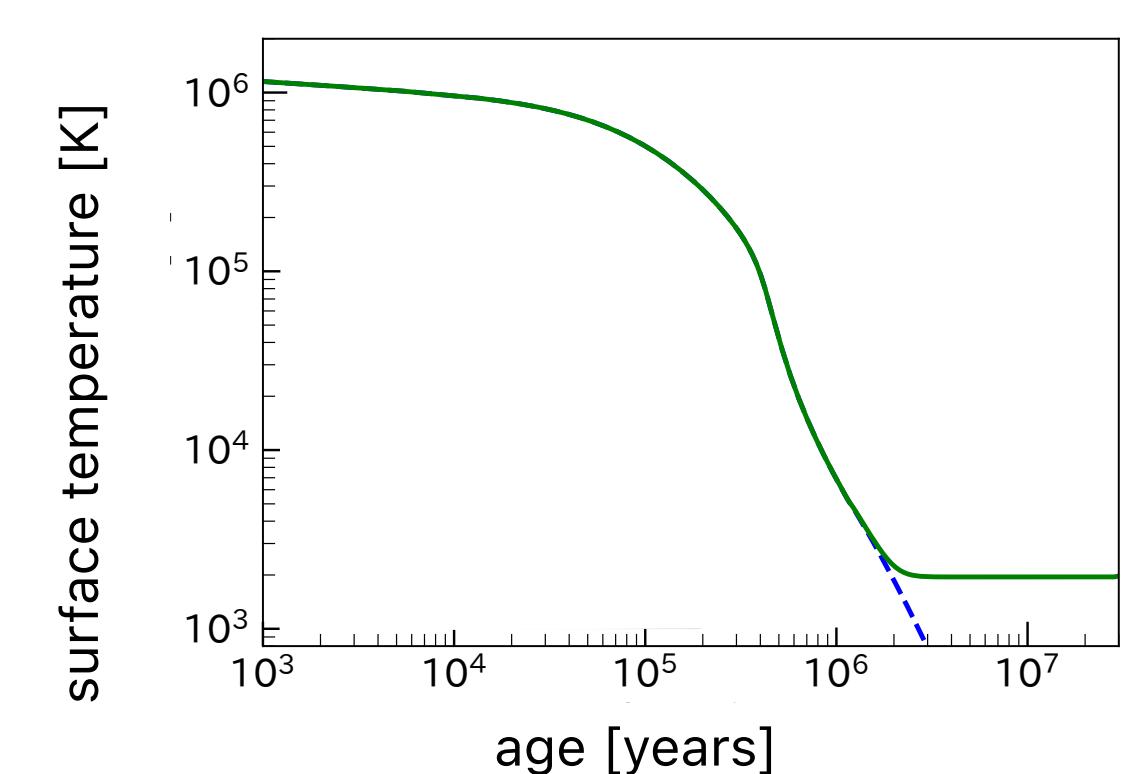
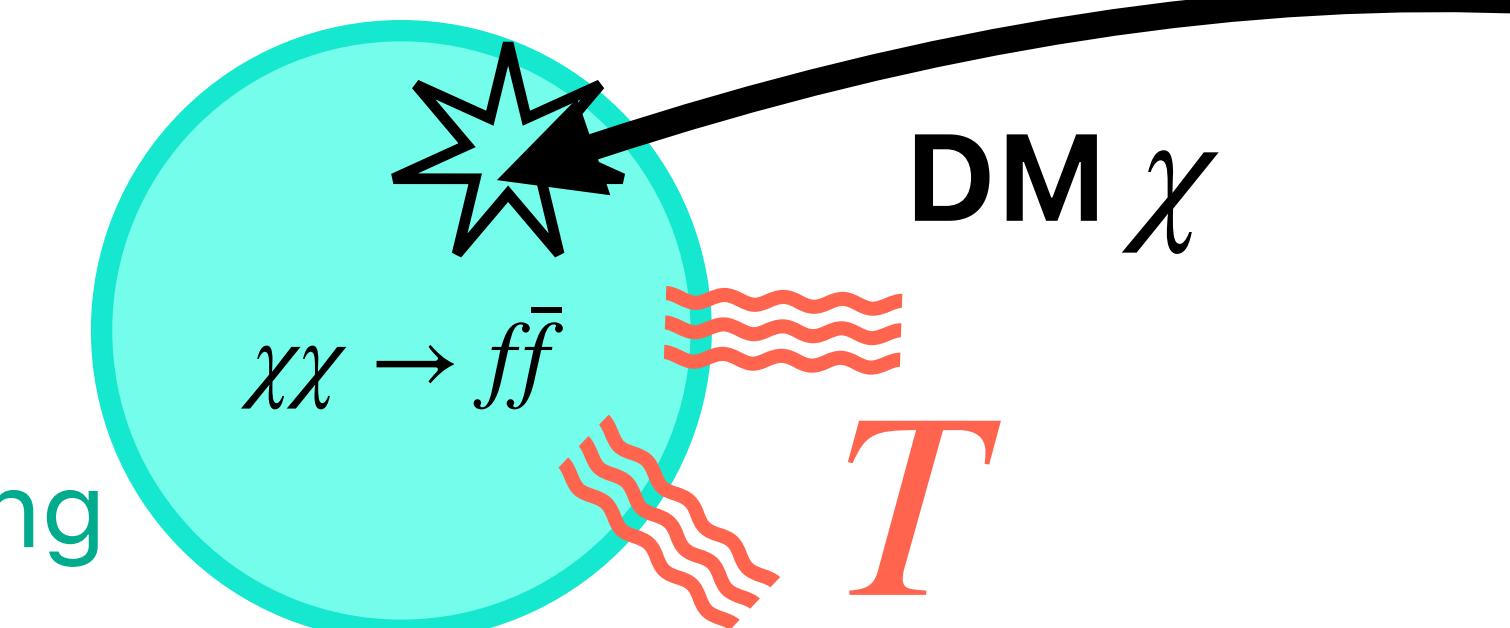
may be seen by a "Supernovascope"



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examples

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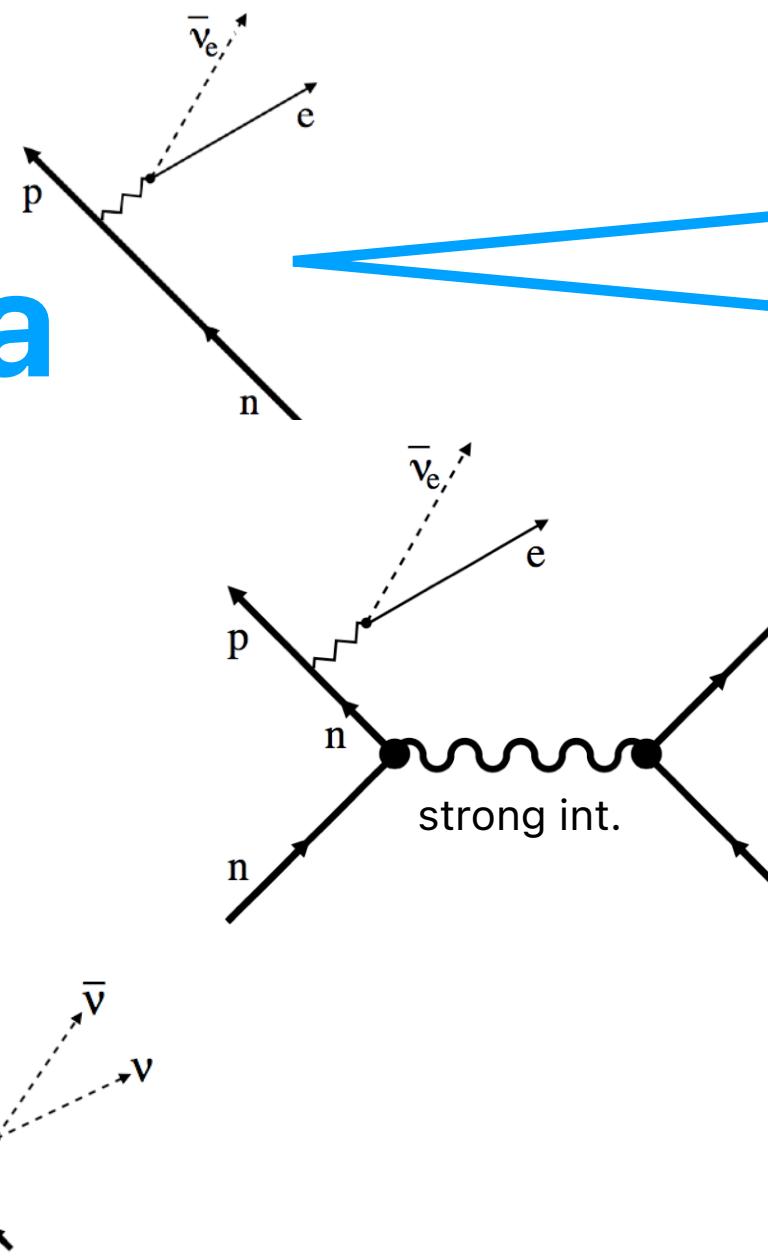
Backup

NS and Standard Cooling

• Direct Urca

• Modified Urca (& Bremsstrahlung)

• PBF



β decay and its inverse: $\begin{cases} n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e \\ p + e^- \rightarrow n + \nu_e \end{cases}$

It does **NOT** work in typical NS because $p_{p,F} + p_{e,F} < p_{n,F}$.

Discarded in "minimal cooling" scenario.

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M.E.Gusakov+, astro-ph/0404002,
D.Page+, 0906.1621

- From chemical eq., $\mu_n = \mu_p + \mu_{e'}$, where $\mu_i = \sqrt{p_{i,F}^2 + m_{*i}^2}$
- Then, from the energy-momentum conservation, $|\vec{p}_{n,F}| < |\vec{p}_{p,F}| + |\vec{p}_{e,F}|$ must be satisfied, because...
 - For $n \rightarrow p + e$, only neutron around $\vec{p}_n \simeq \vec{p}_{n,F}$ are available.
 - This requires, $\sqrt{p_p^2 + m_{*p}^2} + \sqrt{p_e^2 + m_e^2} = E_n = \mu_n = \mu_p + \mu_e = \sqrt{p_{p,F}^2 + m_{*p}^2} + \sqrt{p_{e,F}^2 + m_e^2}$.
 - This requires $|\vec{p}_p| \simeq |\vec{p}_{p,F}|$ and $|\vec{p}_e| \simeq |\vec{p}_{e,F}|$. ($|\vec{p}_{p/e}| < p_{p/e,F}$ is Pauli-blocked.)
 - Thus, the three momentum, must satisfy $|\vec{p}_i| \simeq |\vec{p}_{i,F}|$ and $\vec{p}_n = \vec{p}_p + \vec{p}_e$, which is possible only if $|\vec{p}_{n,F}| < |\vec{p}_{p,F}| + |\vec{p}_{e,F}|$.

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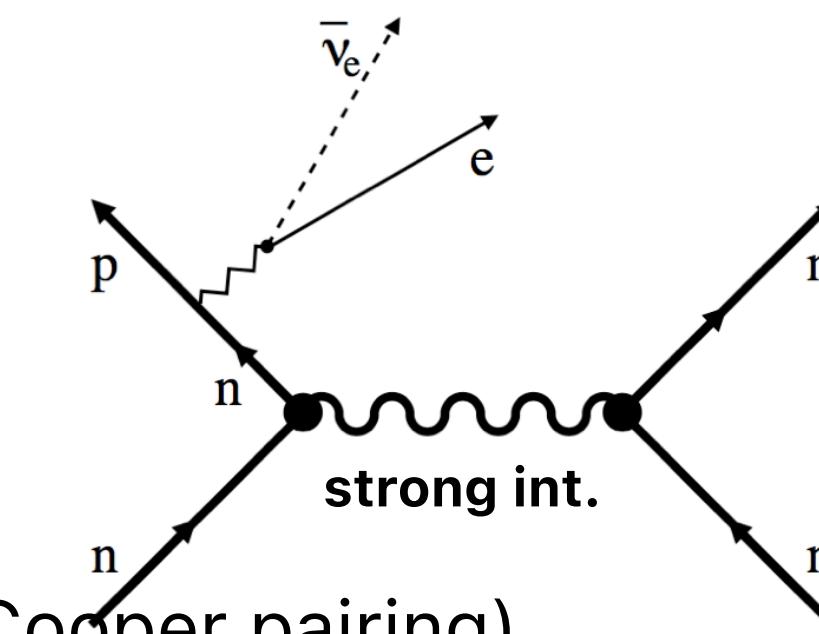

Neutrino emission

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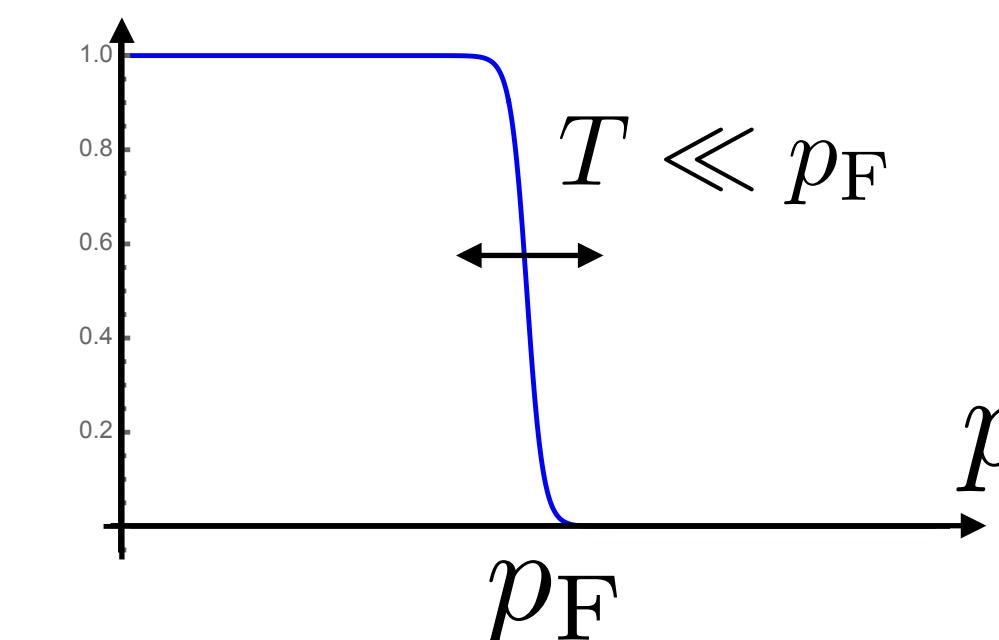
• Dominant process (before the onset of Cooper pairing)

$$\begin{cases} n + N \rightarrow p + e^- + N + \bar{\nu}_e \\ p + N + e^- \rightarrow n + N + \nu_e \end{cases} \quad (N = p \text{ or } n)$$

$$L_\nu^{\text{MU}} \sim T^8$$

$$L_\nu^{\text{MU}} \sim \underbrace{\int d^3 p_n}_{T} \underbrace{\int d^3 p_N}_{T} \cdot \underbrace{\int d^3 p_p}_{T} \underbrace{\int d^3 p_N}_{T} \underbrace{\int d^3 p_e}_{T} \cdot \underbrace{\int d^3 p_\nu \delta^4(p_i - p_f) E_\nu}_{T^3}$$


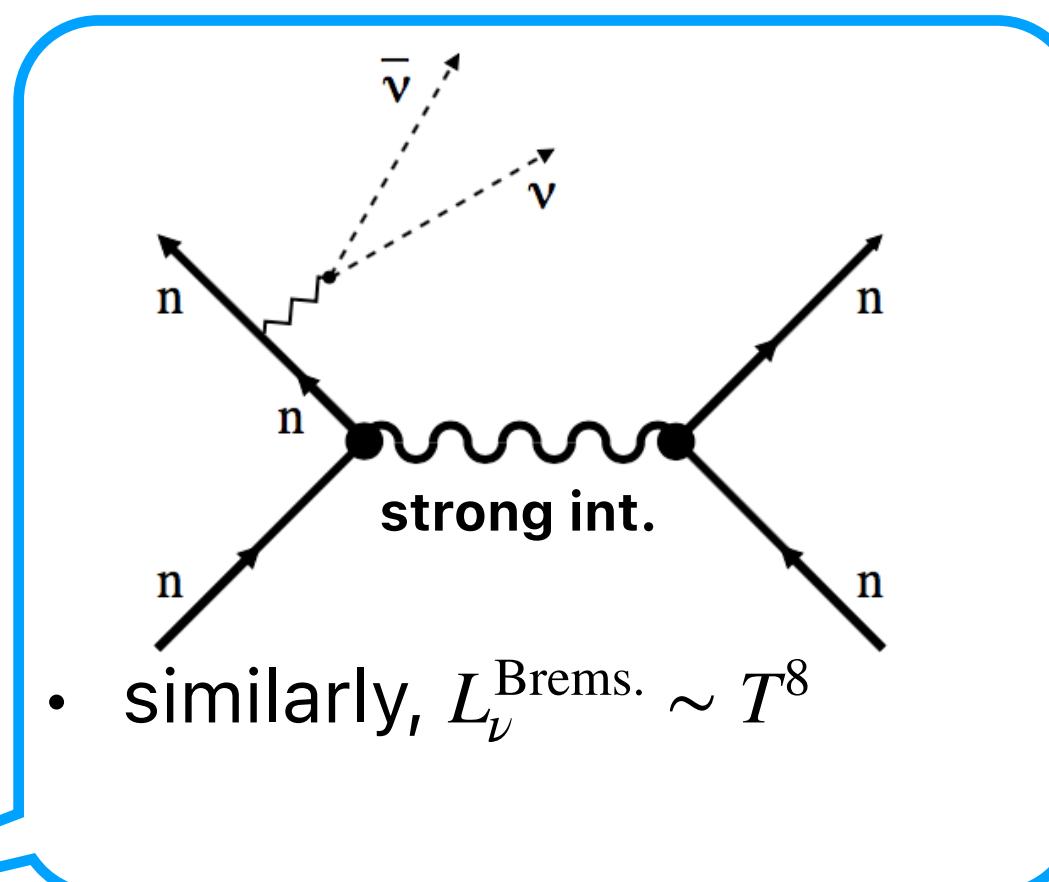
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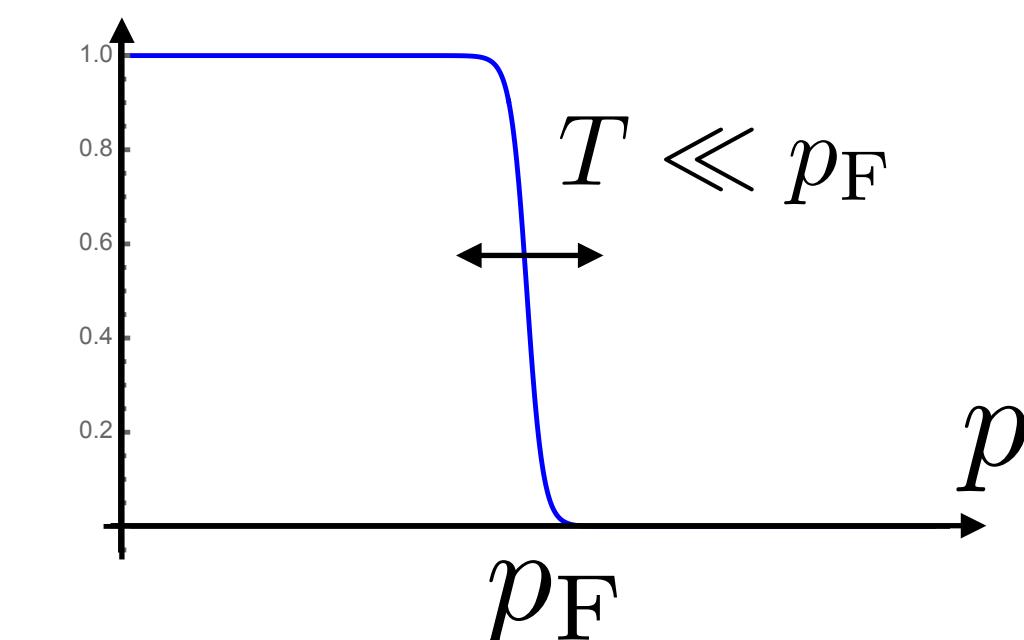
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• similarly, $L_\nu^{\text{Brems.}} \sim T^8$

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Cas A NS cooling by axion

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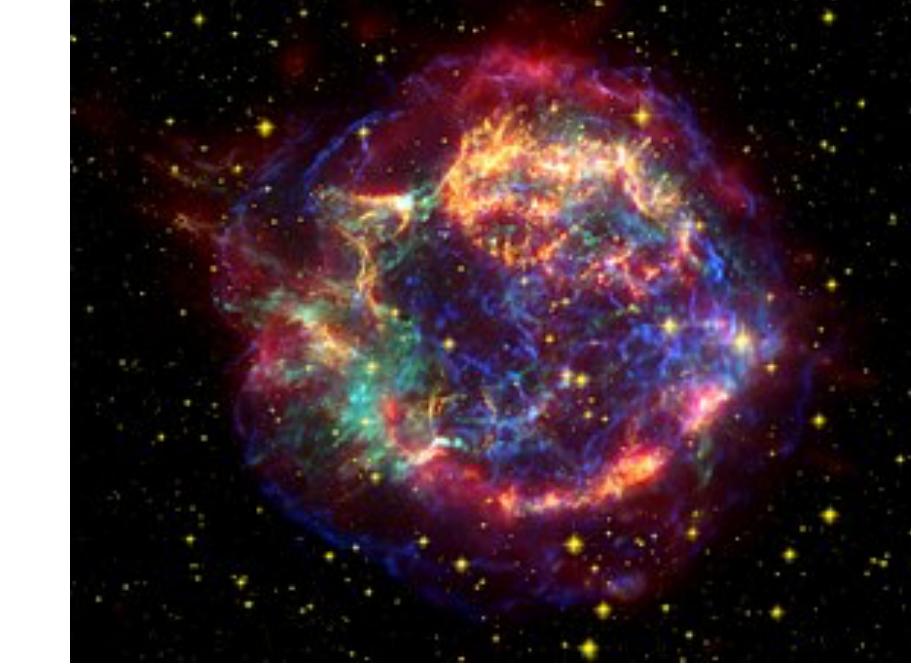
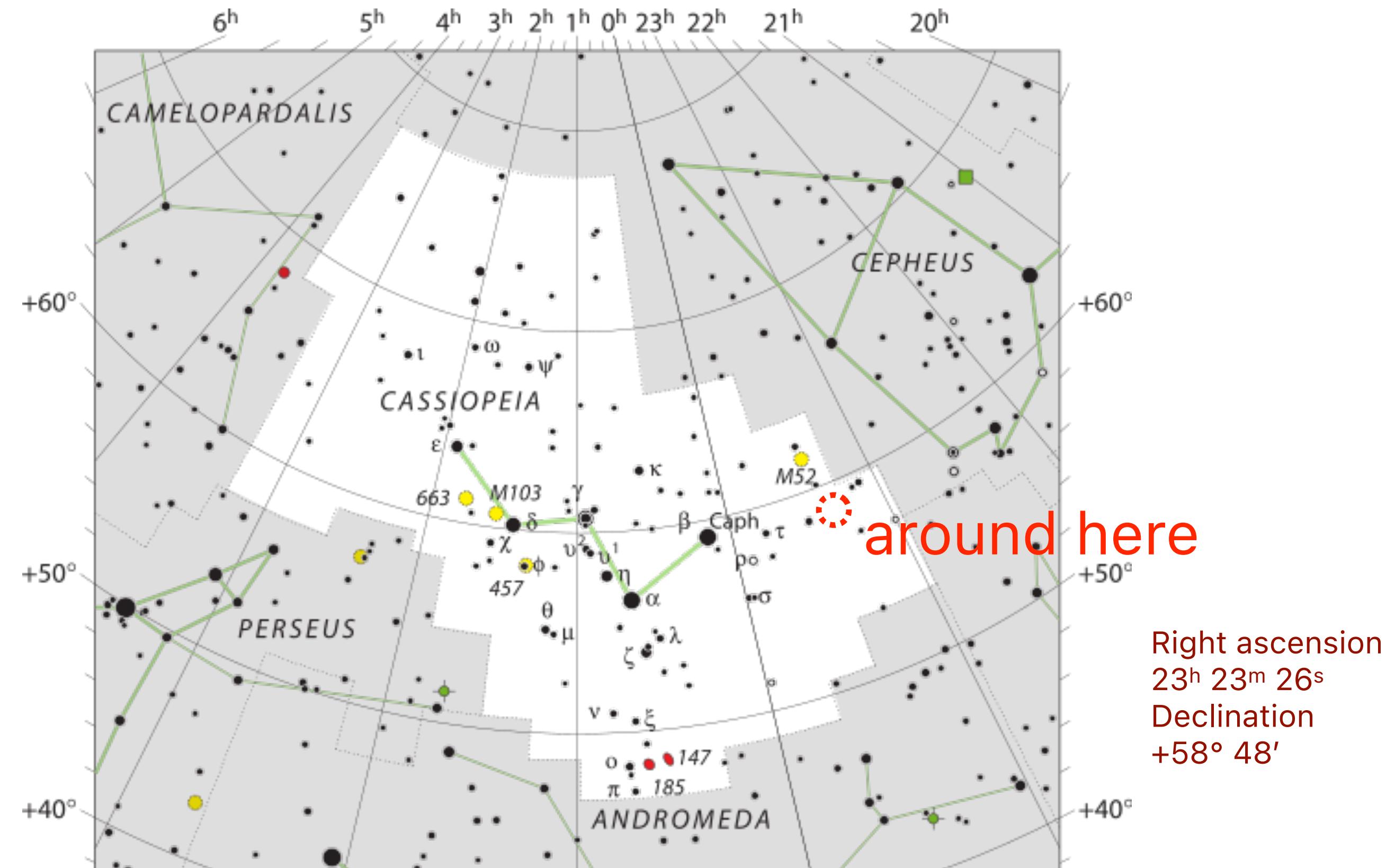


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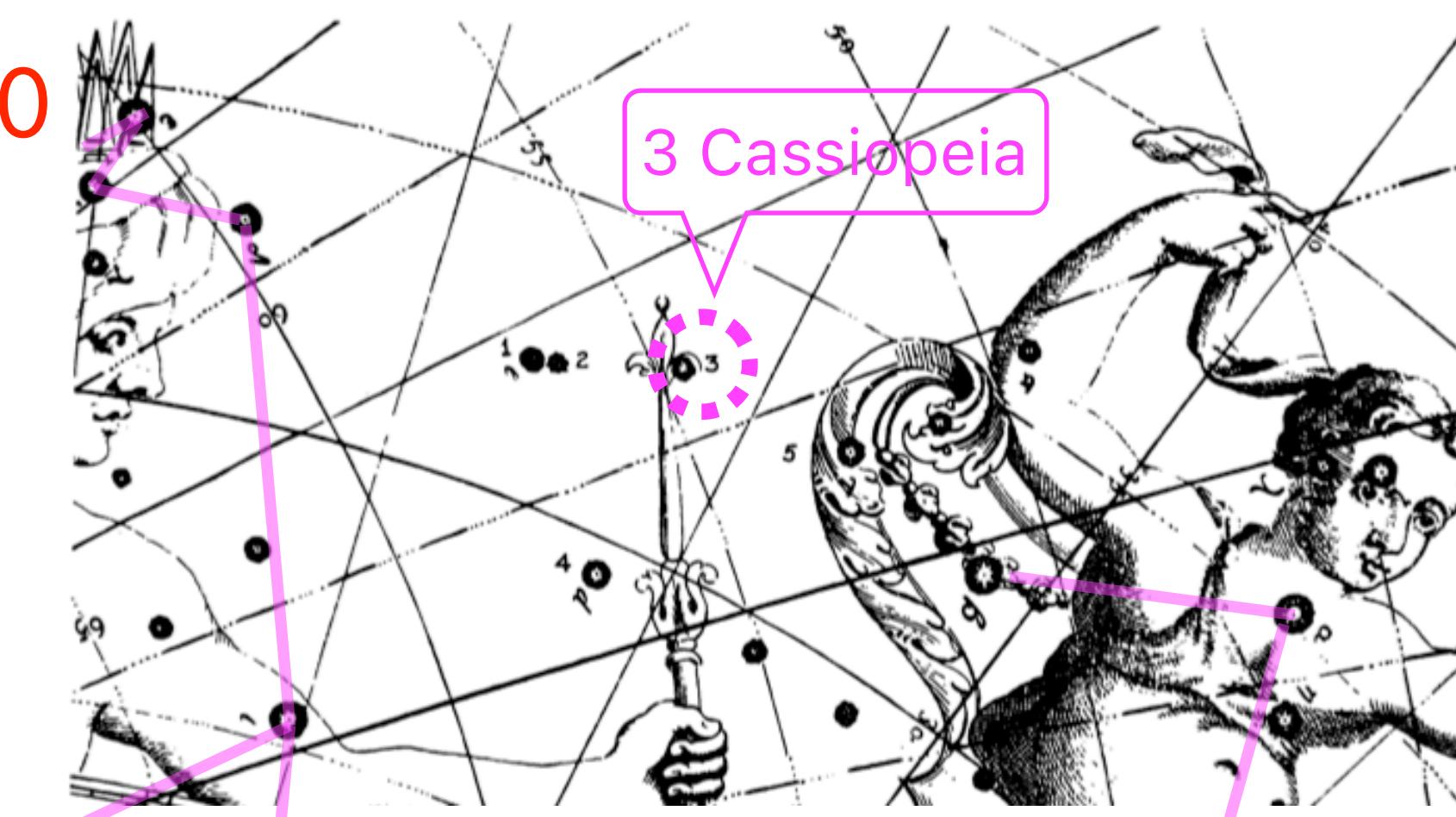
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- When?

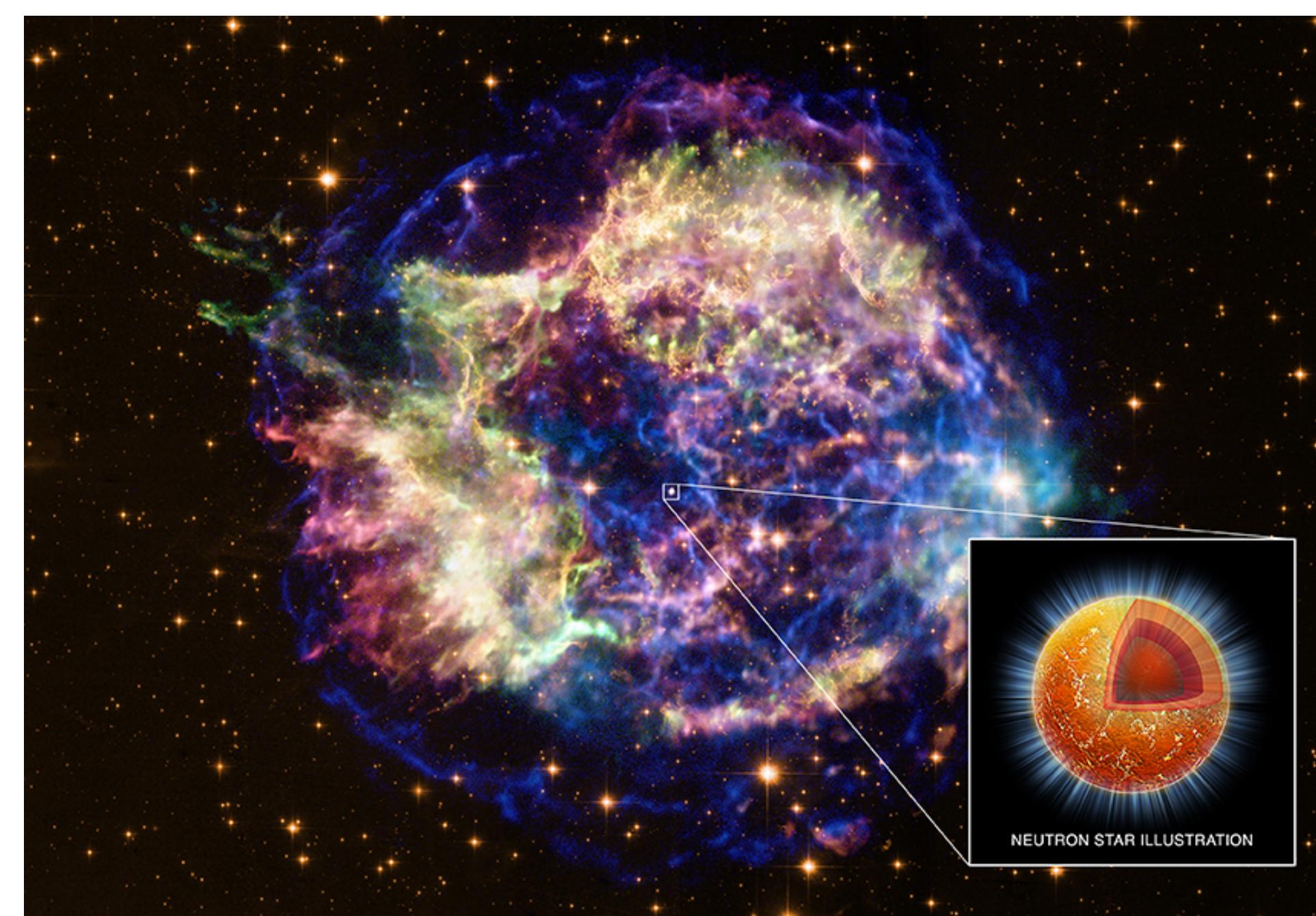
Explosion (light reached Earth) about **340 years ago**.

 - Remnant expansion suggests explosion dates of **1681 ± 19** . [R.A.Fesen, et.al., '06]
 - Cas A may be identical to the star
3 Cassiopeia, which was recorded
by J. Flamsteed on **August 16, 1680**
and has been missed since then.

[W. B. Ashworth, Jr. (1980); K. W. Kamper (1980); D. W. Hughes (1980)]



Cas A Neutron Star



images from Chandra's webpage

- In 1999, Chandra found a point source at the center of Cas A.
- X-ray spectrum is consistent with a **thermal emission** of **Neutron Star** with a carbon atmosphere, mass $M = (1.4 \pm 0.3)$ M_{\odot} , and radius $R = (11-13)$ km.

[W.C.G.Ho, C.O.Heinke, '09], [W.C.G.Ho, K.G.Elshamouty, C.O.Heinke, A.Y.Potekhin, '14].

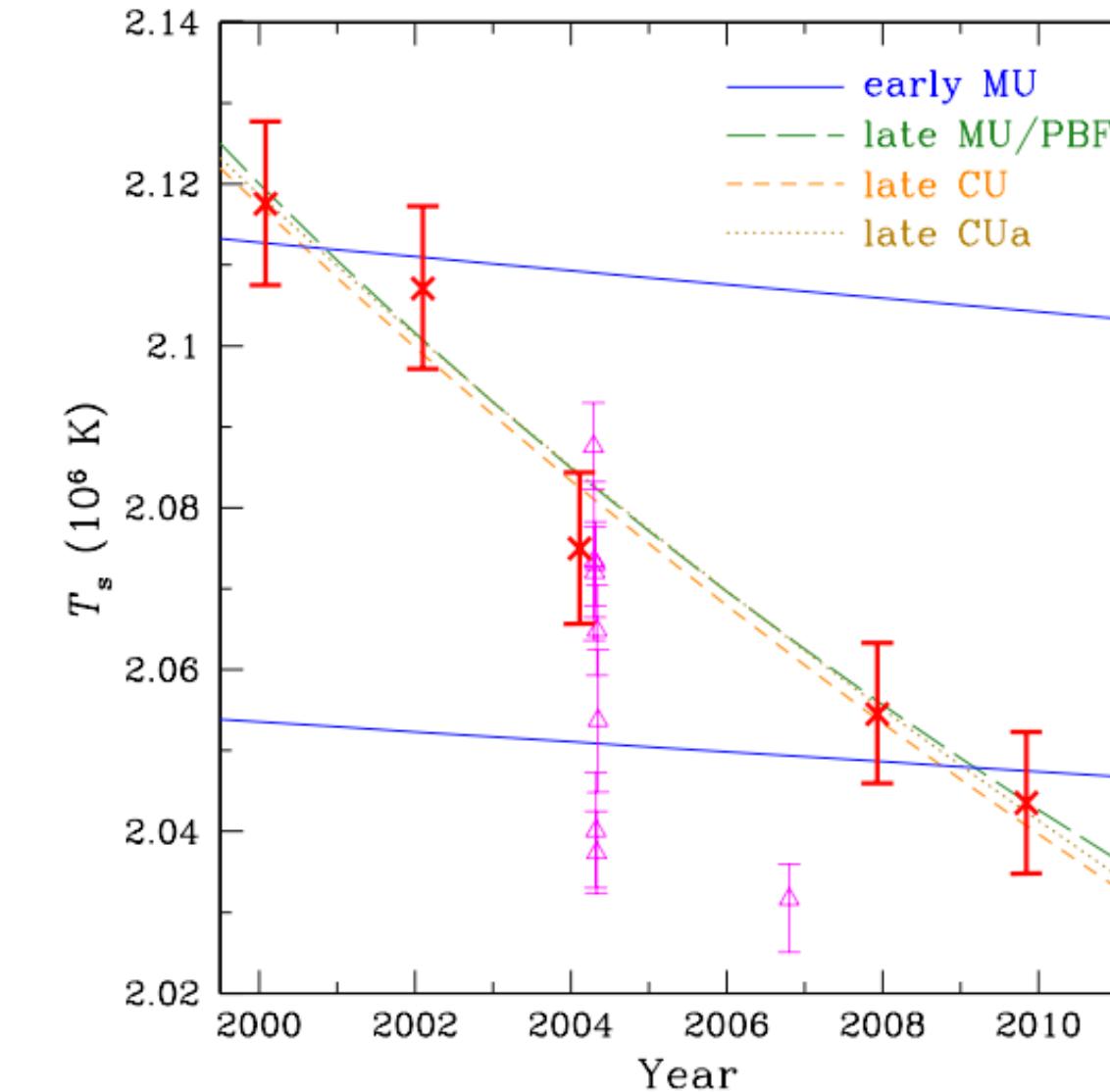
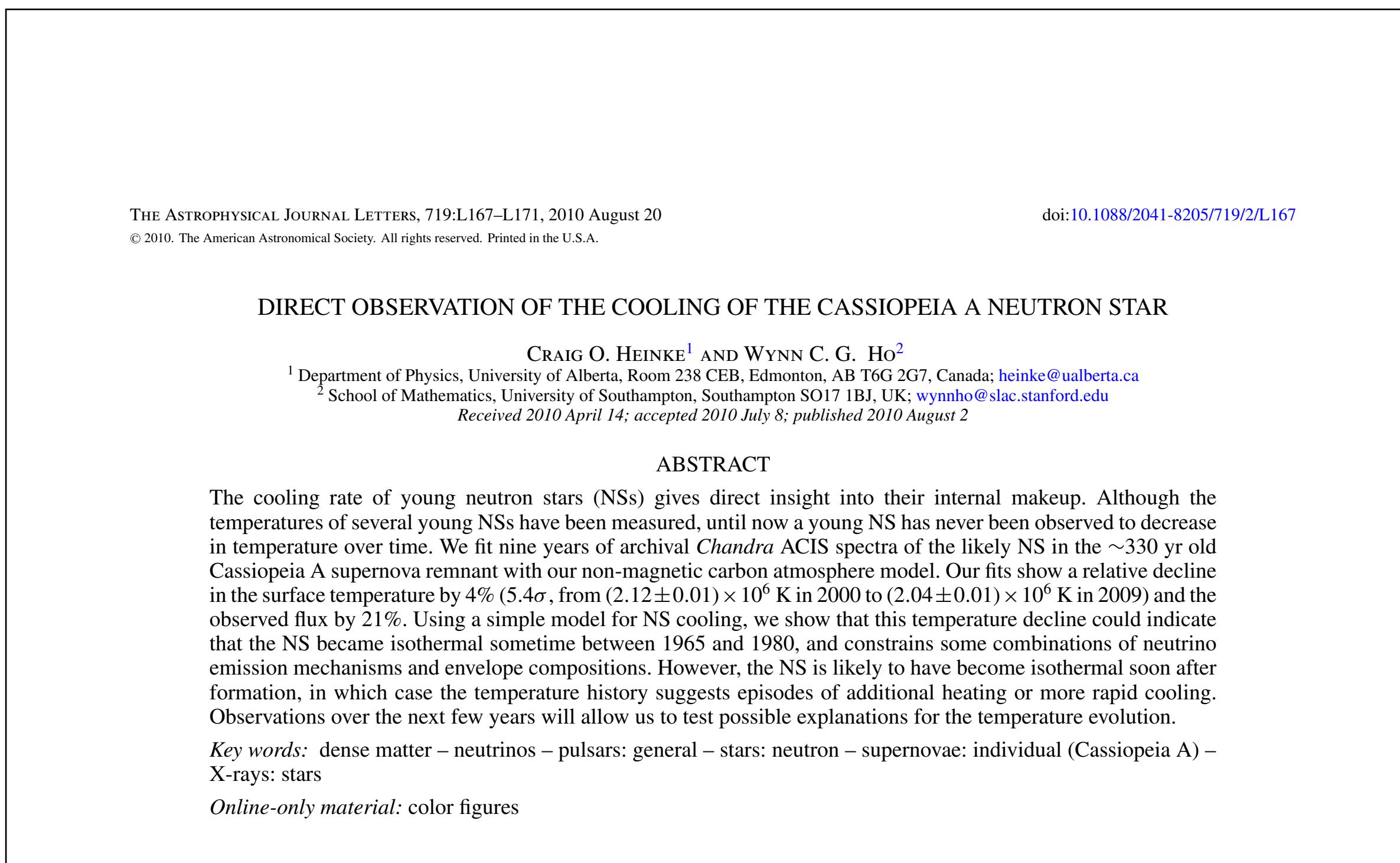
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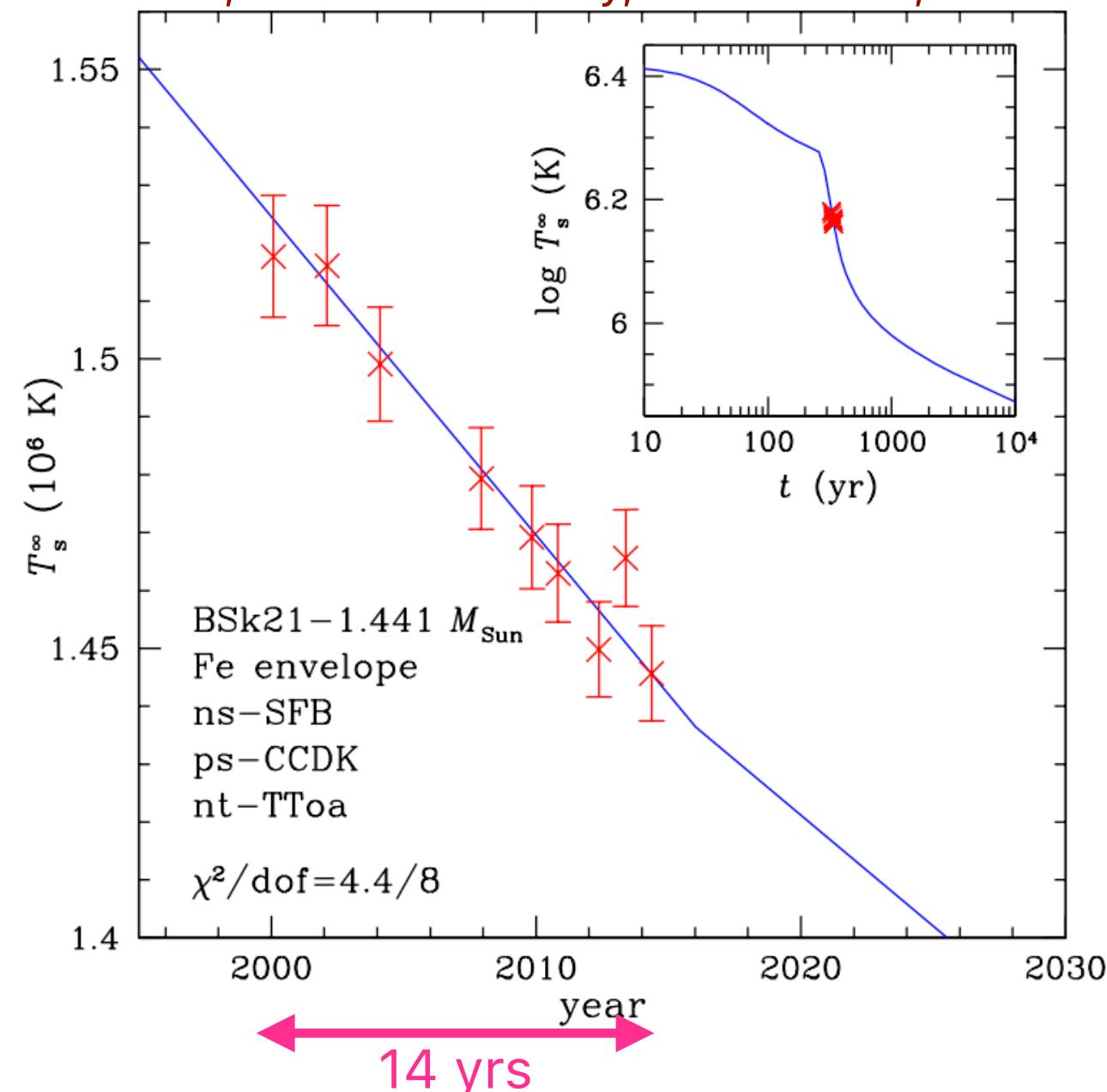


TABLE I. *Chandra* ACIS-S Graded mode temperatures.

ObsID	Year	$T_{\text{eff}}^{\text{a}}$
114	2000.08	$2.145^{+0.009}_{-0.008}$
1952	2002.10	$2.142^{+0.009}_{-0.008}$
5196	2004.11	$2.118^{+0.011}_{-0.007}$
(9117,9773) ^b	2007.93	$2.095^{+0.007}_{-0.010}$
(10935,12020) ^b	2009.84	$2.080^{+0.009}_{-0.008}$
(10936,13177) ^b	2010.83	$2.070^{+0.009}_{-0.009}$
14229	2012.37	$2.050^{+0.009}_{-0.008}$
14480	2013.38	$2.075^{+0.009}_{-0.009}$
14481	2014.36	$2.045^{+0.009}_{-0.009}$

^a Errors are 1σ .

^b The two ObsIDs, which were taken close together in time with the same instrument setup, are merged prior to spectral analysis.

Cas A NS Cooling (theory)

NS temperature evolution

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$$\propto T$$

$$\Rightarrow T \propto t^{-1/6}$$

For Cas A NS observation,

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$$\Rightarrow \left. \frac{\Delta T}{T} \right|_{10 \text{ yrs}} \sim -\frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{\Delta t}{t} \sim 0.5\%$$

surface temperature

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- (PBF)

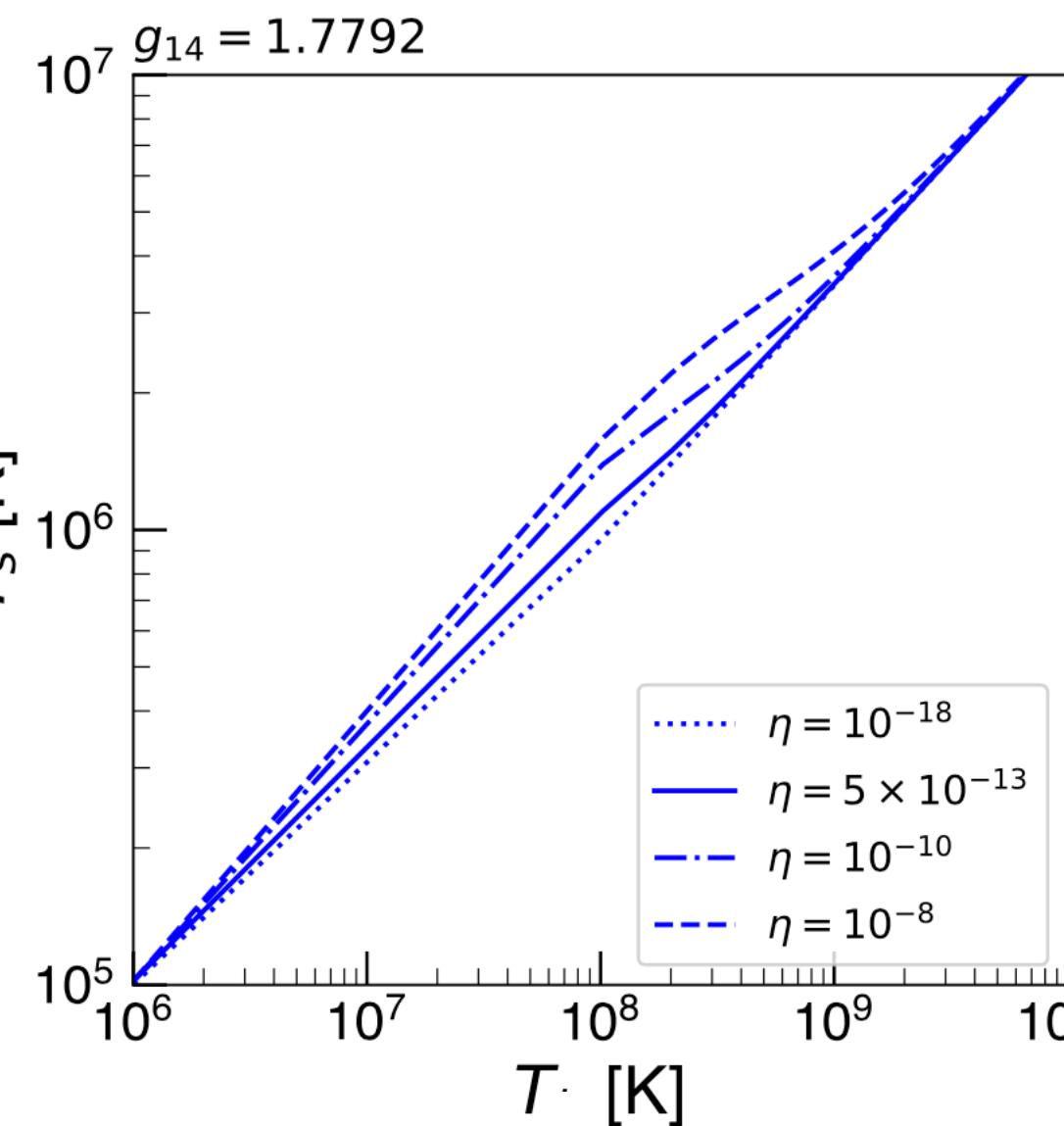
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Cas A NS Cooling (theory)

NS surface is insulated from the hot interior by its envelope.

surface
temperature
(observed)

$$T_s \sim T^\alpha \quad (\alpha \sim 0.5)$$



internal temperature

$$\eta = g_{14}^2 \Delta M/M$$

ΔM : mass of light elements

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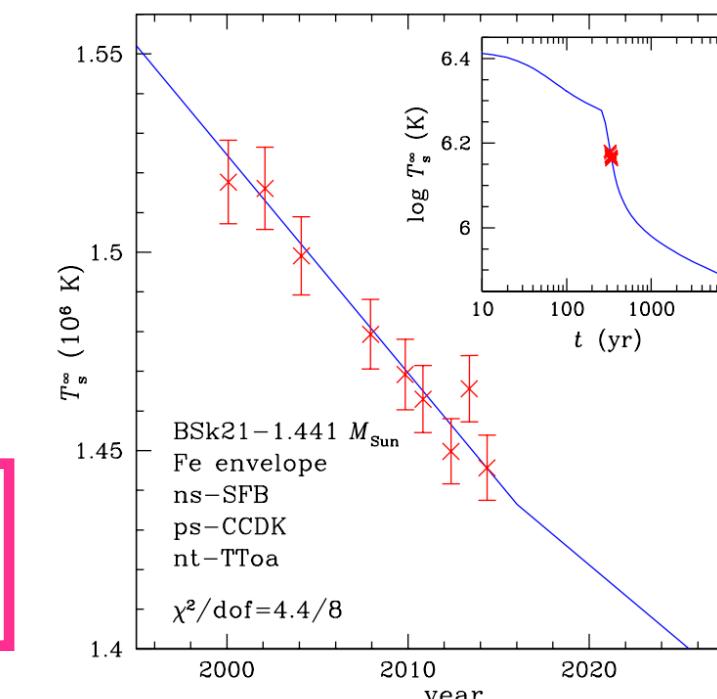
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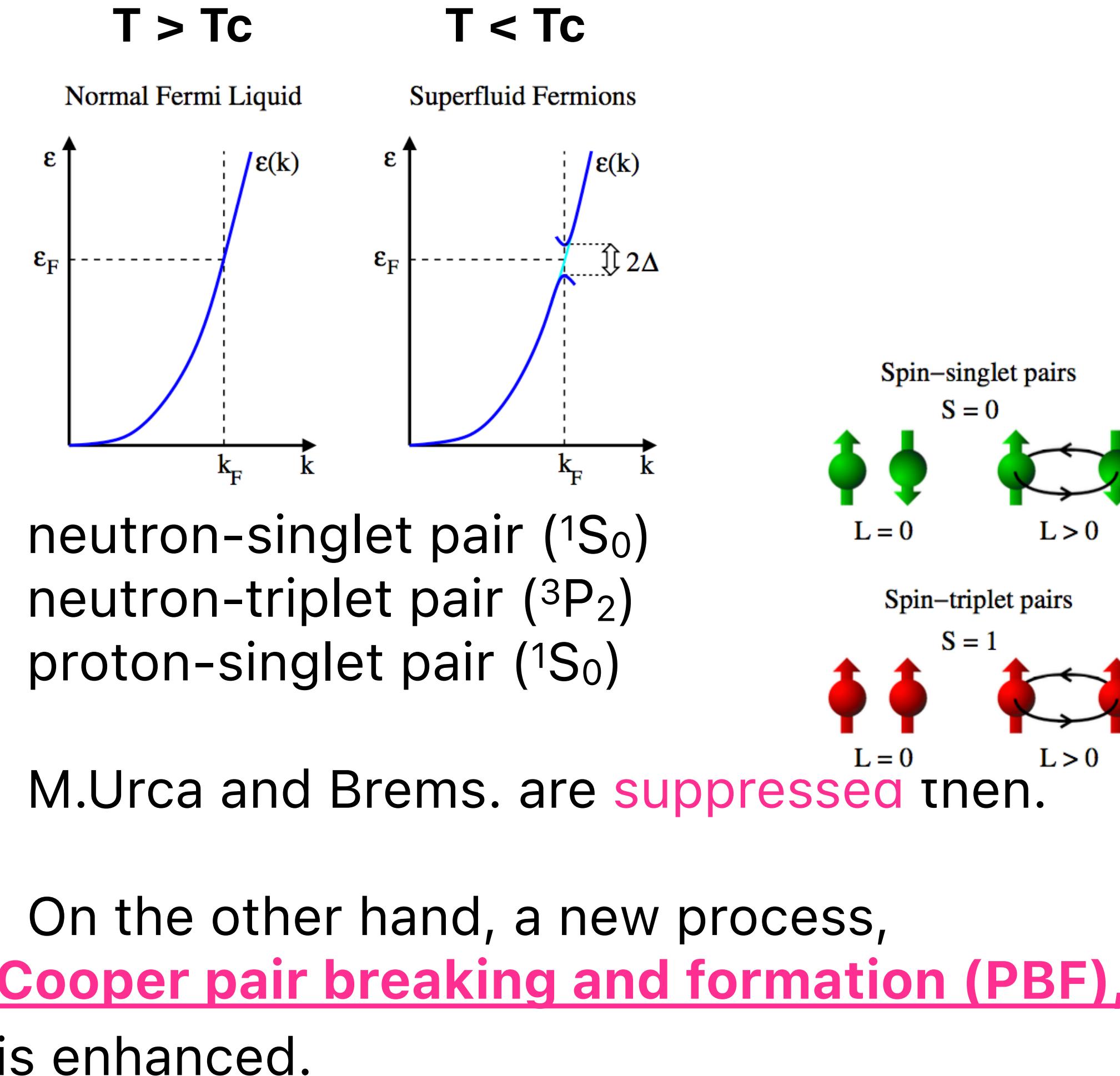
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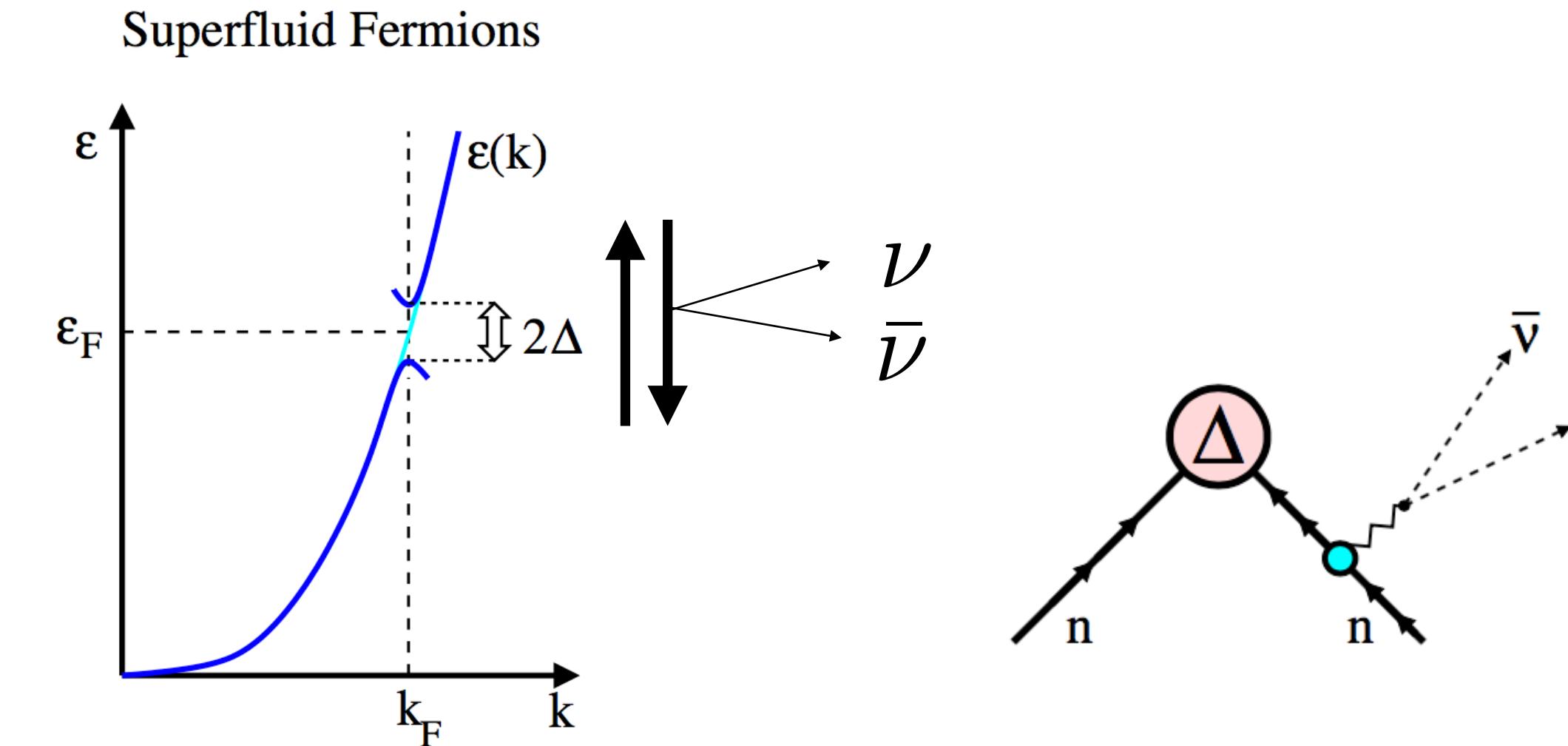
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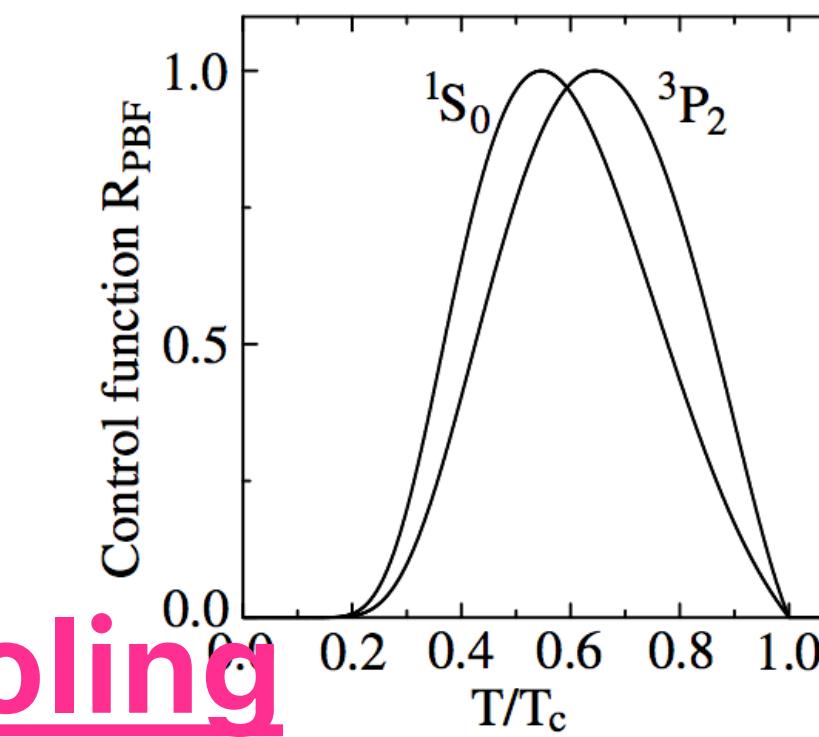
Cooper pair breaking and formation (PBF)



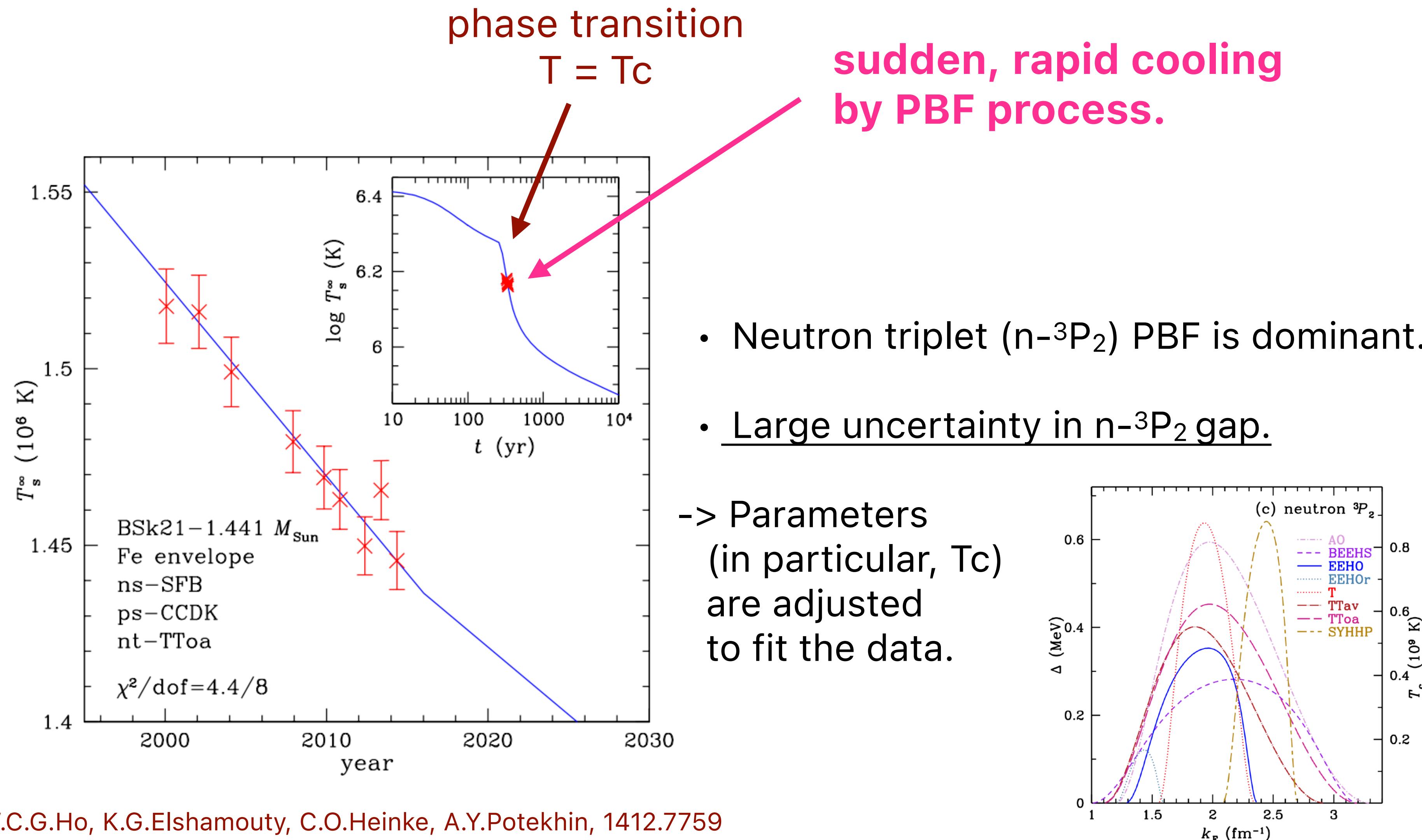
Effective only in a short period

- At $T > T_c$, no paring.
- At $T \ll T_c$, no pair breaking.

It triggers a sudden cooling at around $T = T_c$.



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Rapid Cooling of the Neutron Star in Cassiopeia A Triggered by Neutron Superfluidity in Dense Matter

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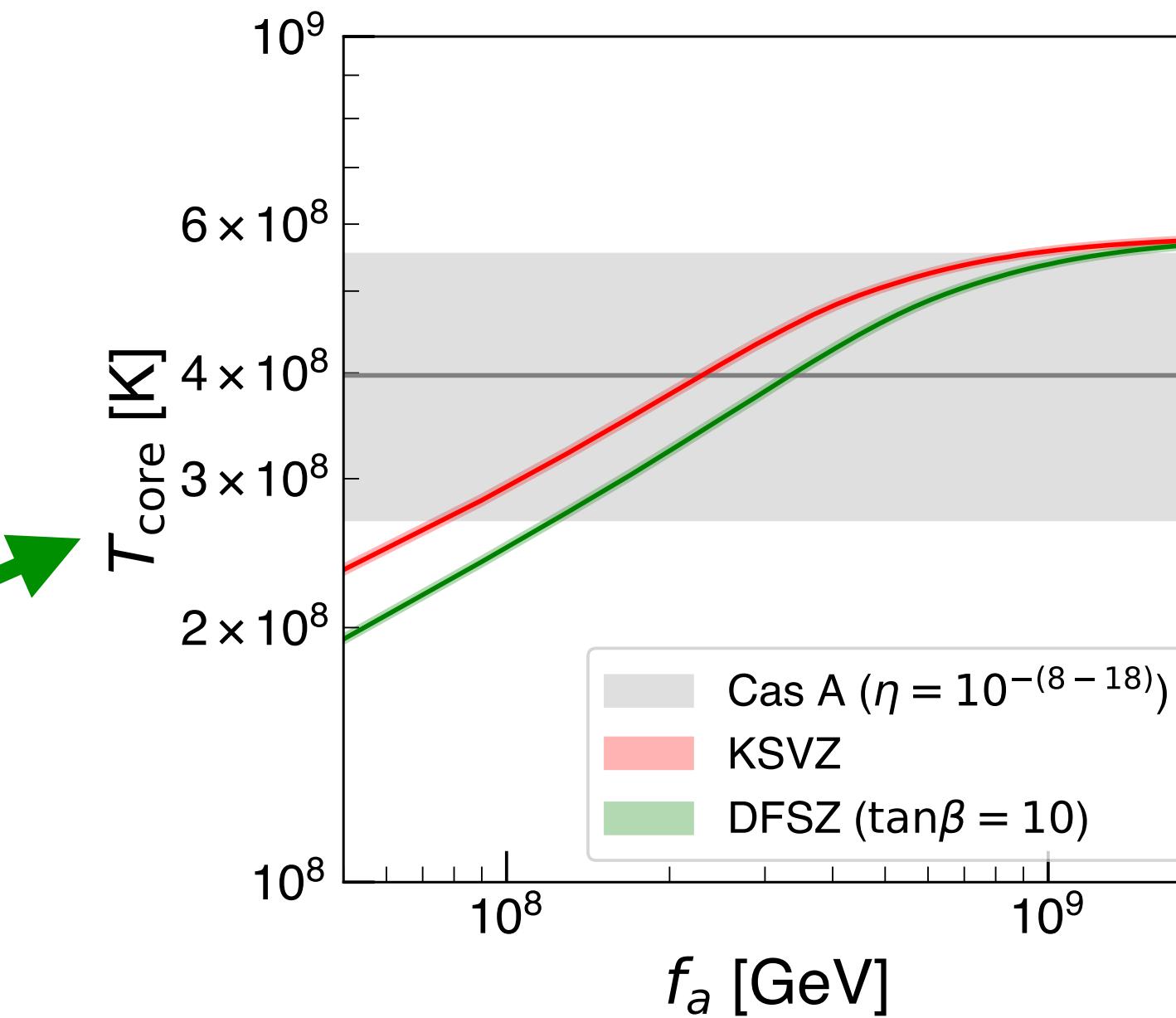
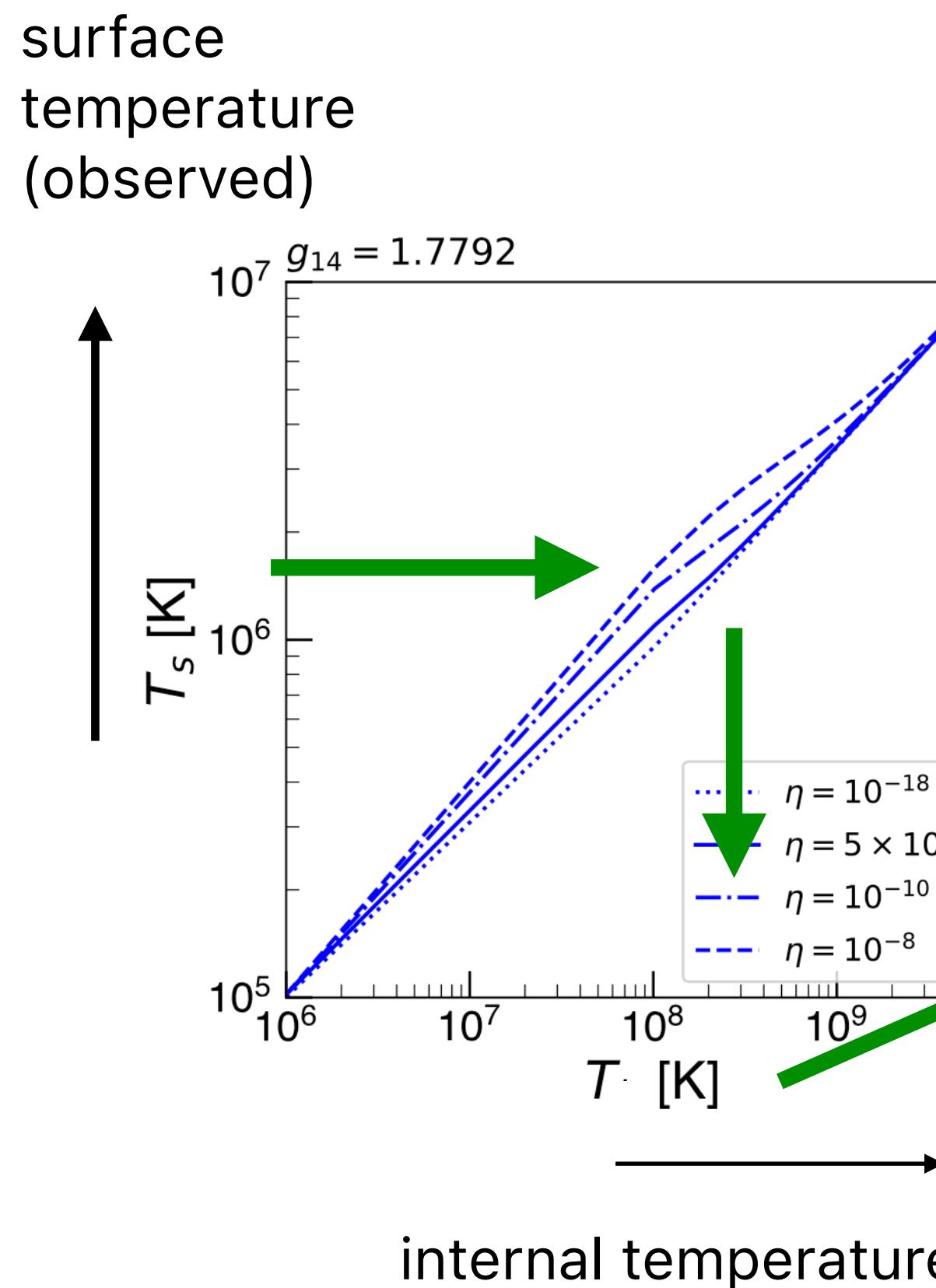
Alternative scenario to explain Cas A cooling

- longer thermal relaxation timescale in the crust or core
- etc

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Cas A NS Cooling with axion

Remark: uncertainty from envelope

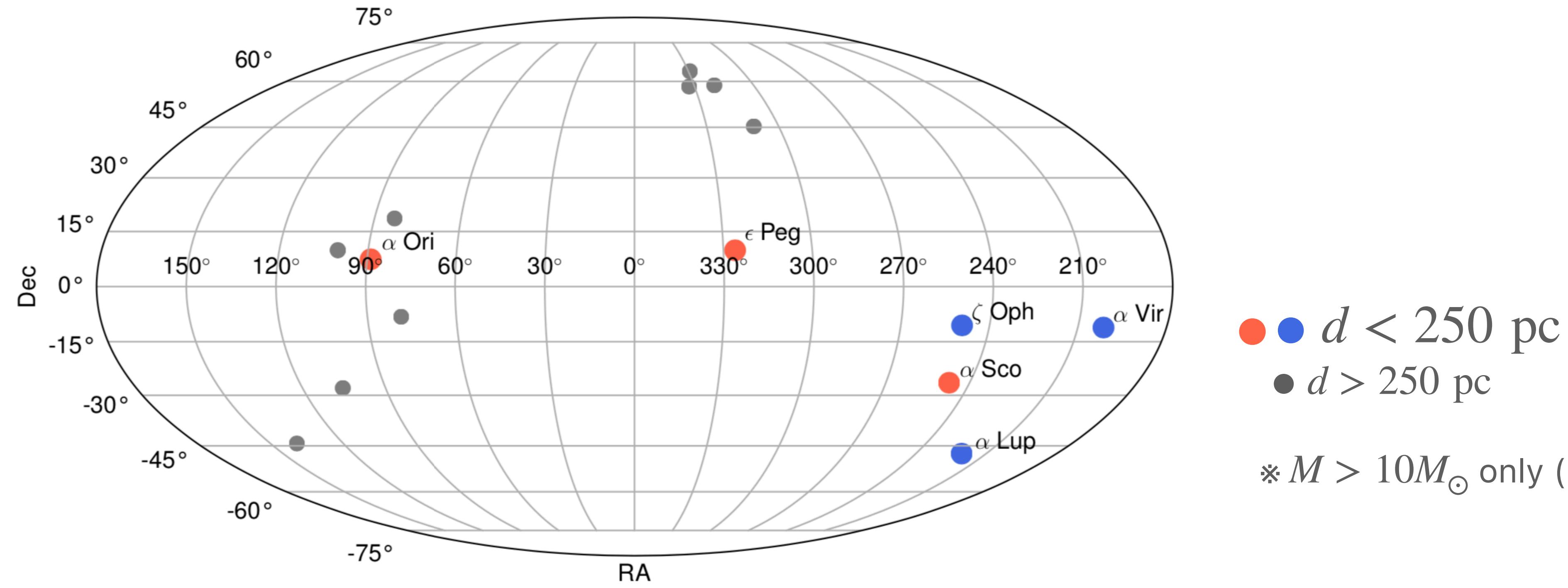


$\Rightarrow O(1)$ uncertainty in f_a bound.

Backup

SN-scope, SN axion

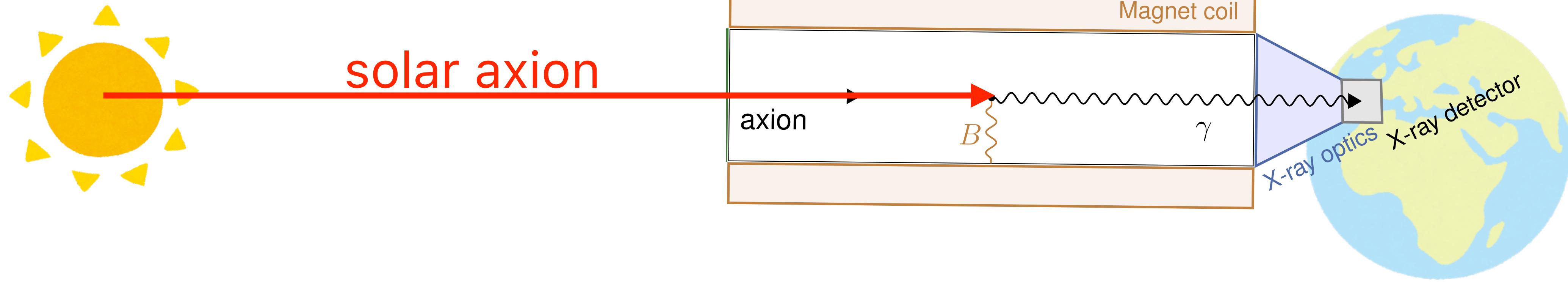
Nearby SN progenitor candidates



HIP	Common Name	Distance (pc)	Mass (M_{\odot})	RA (J2000)	Dec (J2000)
65474	Spica/α Virginis	77(4)	11.43 ± 1.15 [79]	13:25:11.58	-11:09:40.8
81377	ζ Ophiuchi	112(3)	20.0 [80]	16:37:09.54	-10:34:01.5
71860	α Lupi	142(3)	10.1 ± 1.0 [81]	14:41:55.76	-47:23:17.5
80763	Antares/α Scorpii	170(30)	11–14.3 [82]	16:29:24.46	-26:25:55.2
107315	Enif/ε Pegasi	211(8)	$11.7(8)$ [81]	21:44:11.16	+09:52:30.0
27989	Betelgeuse/α Orionis	222^{+48}_{-34} [83]	$11.6^{+5.0}_{-3.9}$ [84]	05:55:10.31	+07:24:25.4

Supernova-scope

- Essentially the same as the Axion Helioscopes for the solar axion.



on-going
next-gen.

Experiment	(Proposed) site	B (T)	L (m)	A (m^2)
CAST [34–39]	CERN	9	9.3	2.9×10^{-3}
BabyIAXO [41]	DESY	~ 2	10	0.77
IAXO baseline [40, 41]	DESY	~ 2.5	20	2.3
IAXO+ [41]	DESY	~ 3.5	22	3.9
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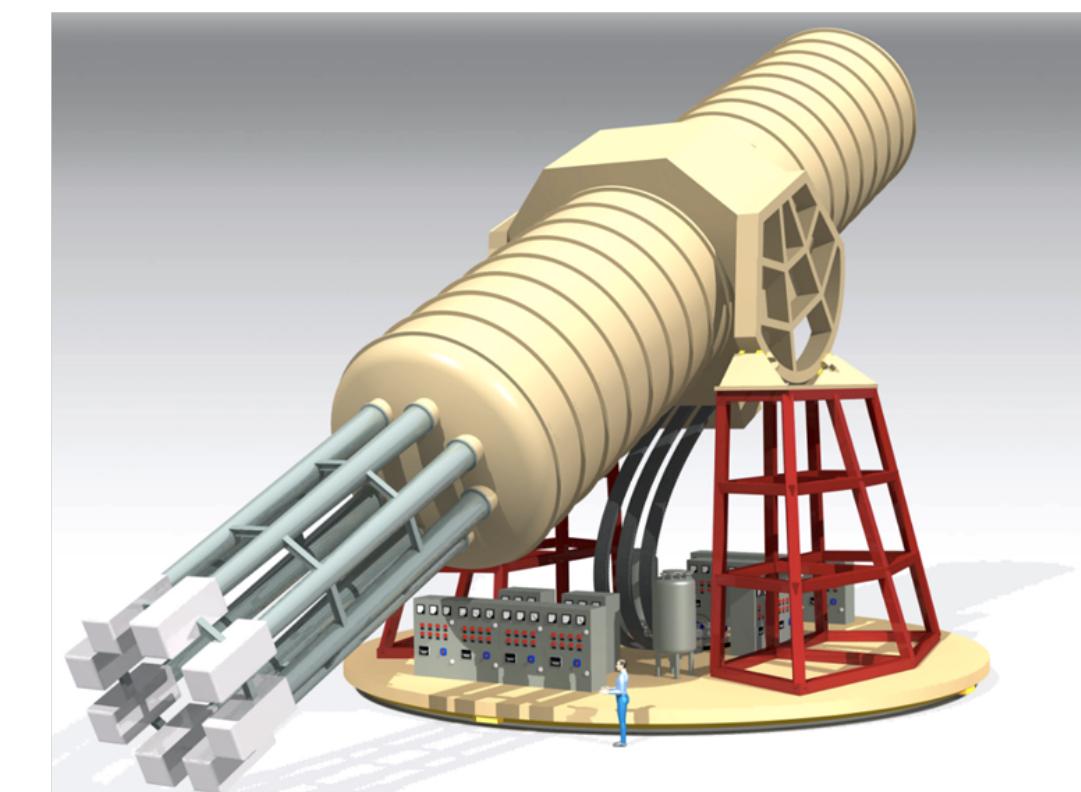
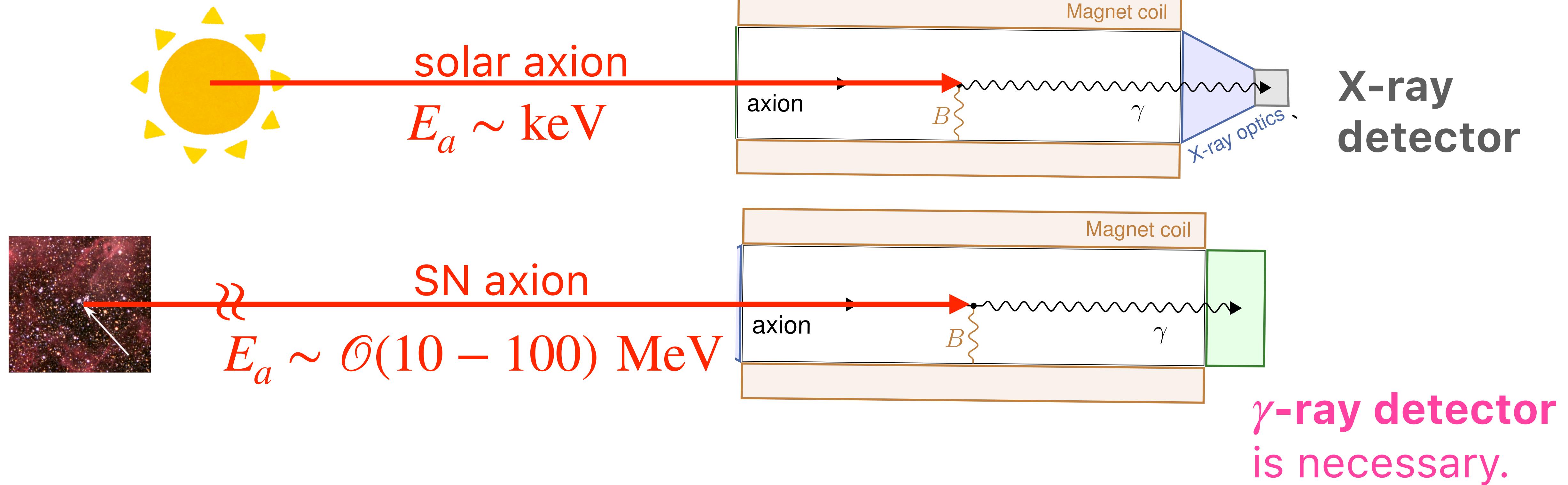


Fig. from IAXO homepage

Supernova-scope

- Essentially the same as the Axion Helioscopes for the **solar axion**.
- But the **axion energy** is different.



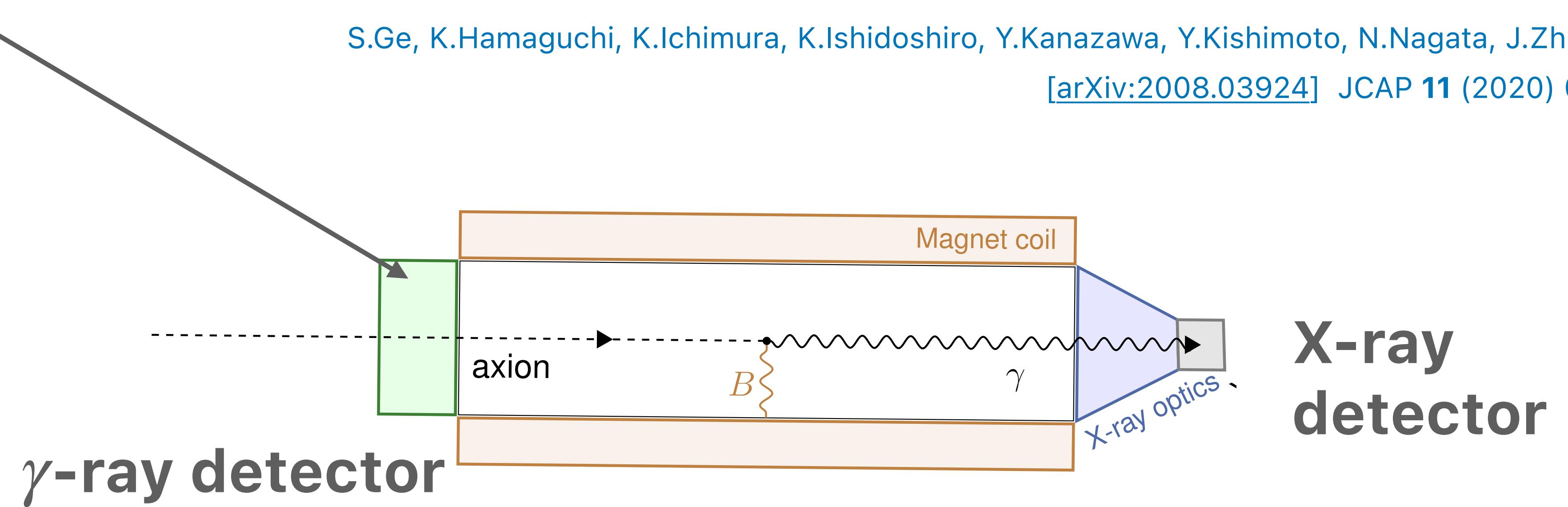
- * X-ray focusing optics doesn't work for γ -rays.
- * X-ray detector cannot measure the γ -ray energy, and hence the background rejection is difficult (see backup slide).

Supernova-scope

Idea: install a γ -ray detector at the opposite end to the X-ray detector.

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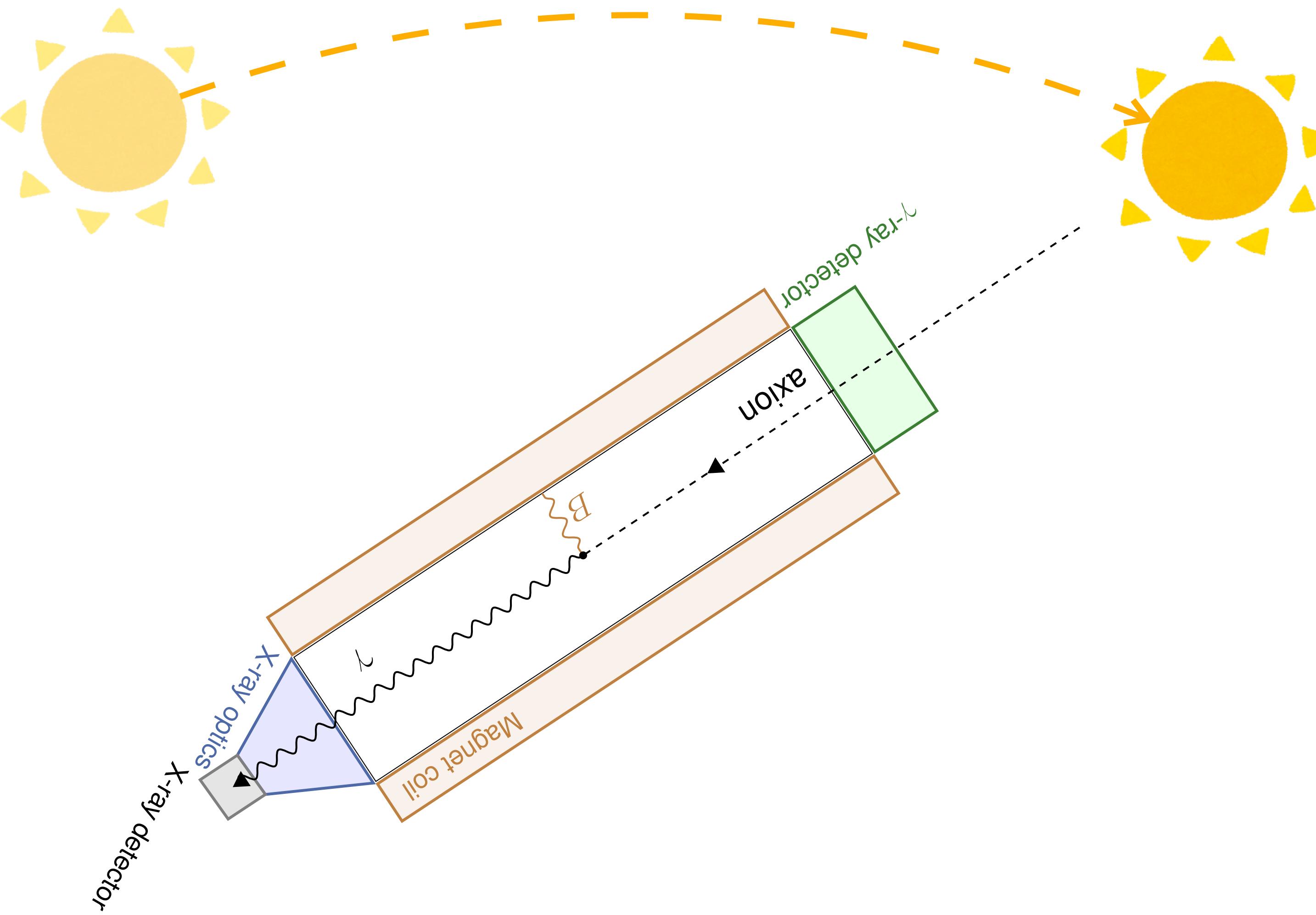
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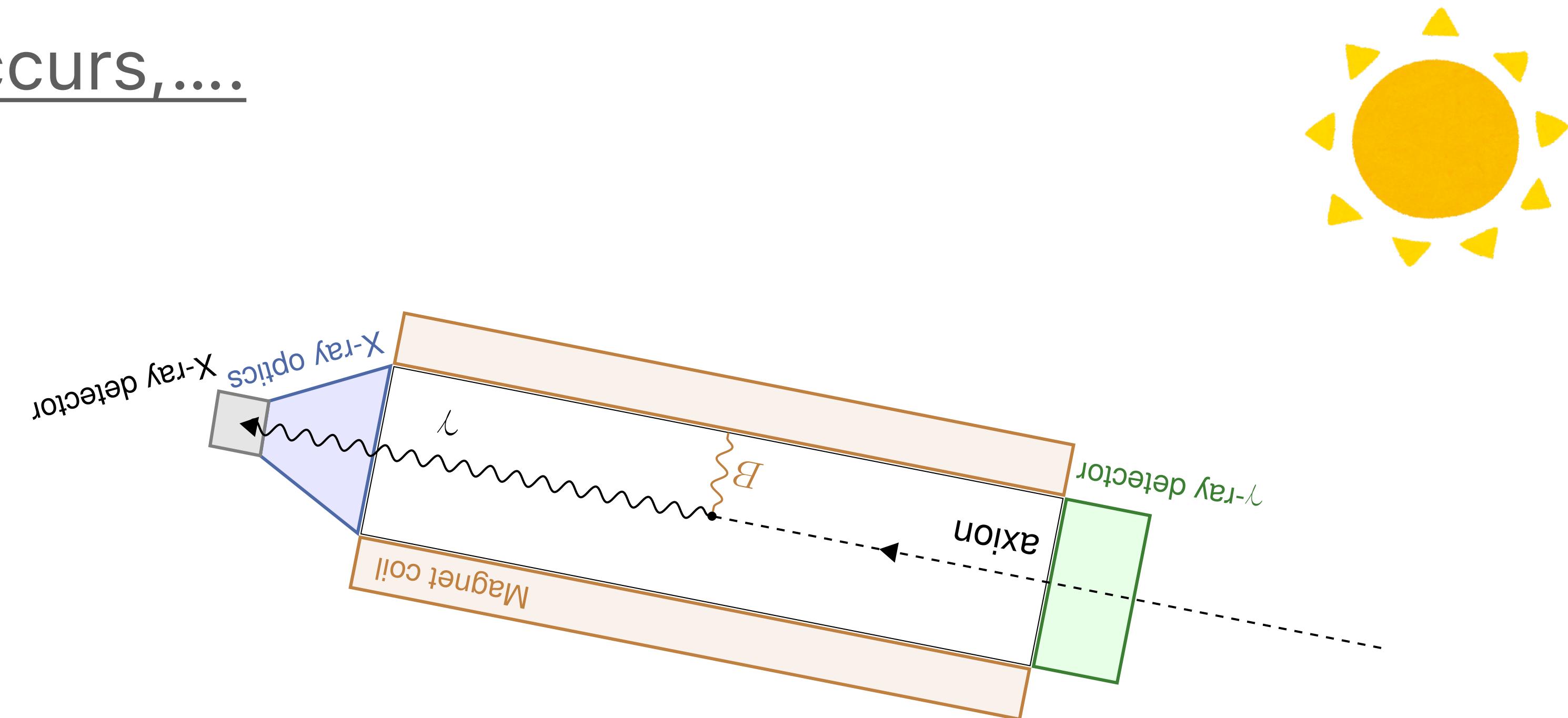


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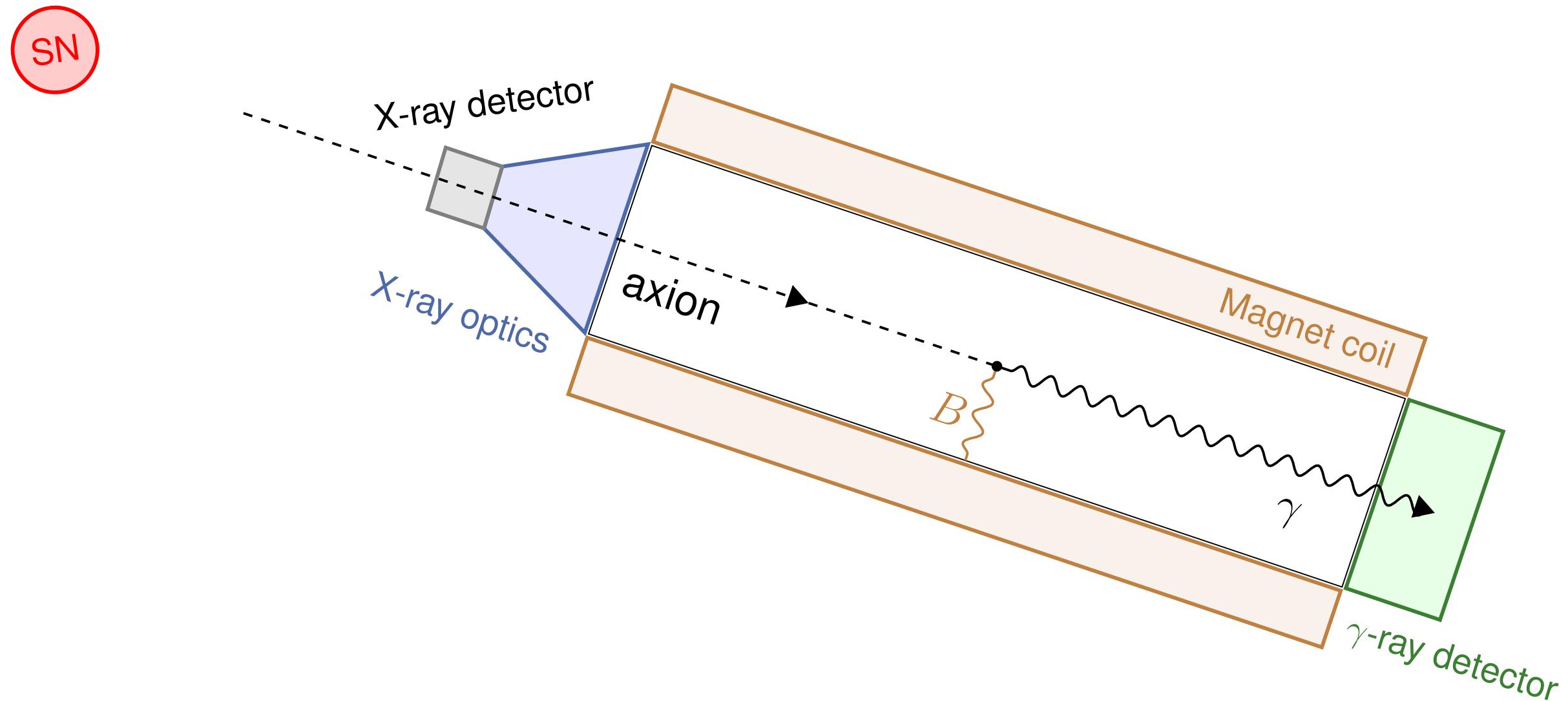


Pre-SN neutrino

The SN-scope has to be pointed to the exploding SN.

But SN-axions come within $\Delta t \sim 10$ sec . (cf. neutrino burst)

How do we know the **timing** of the SN **in advance**?



Pre-SN neutrino

Take the help of the **pre-SN neutrinos**.

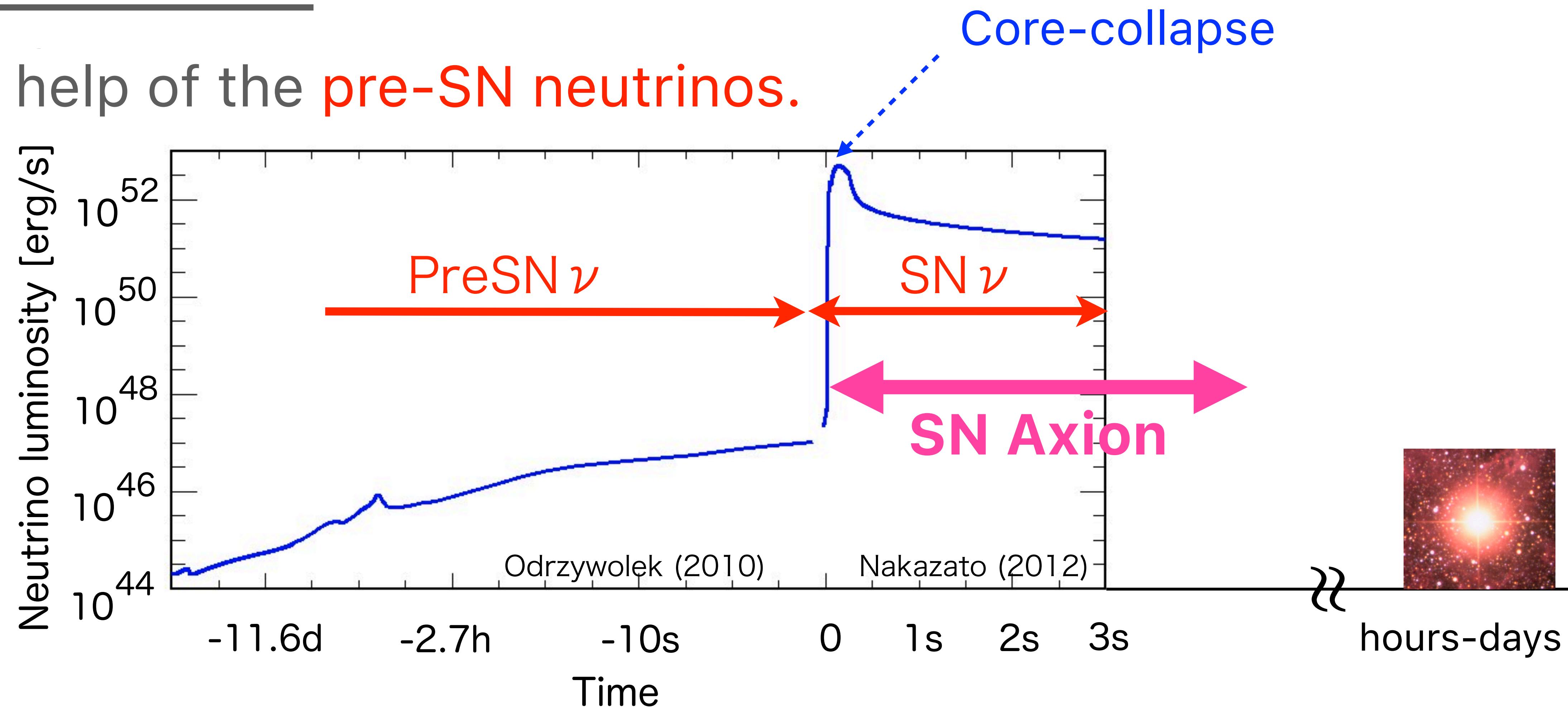
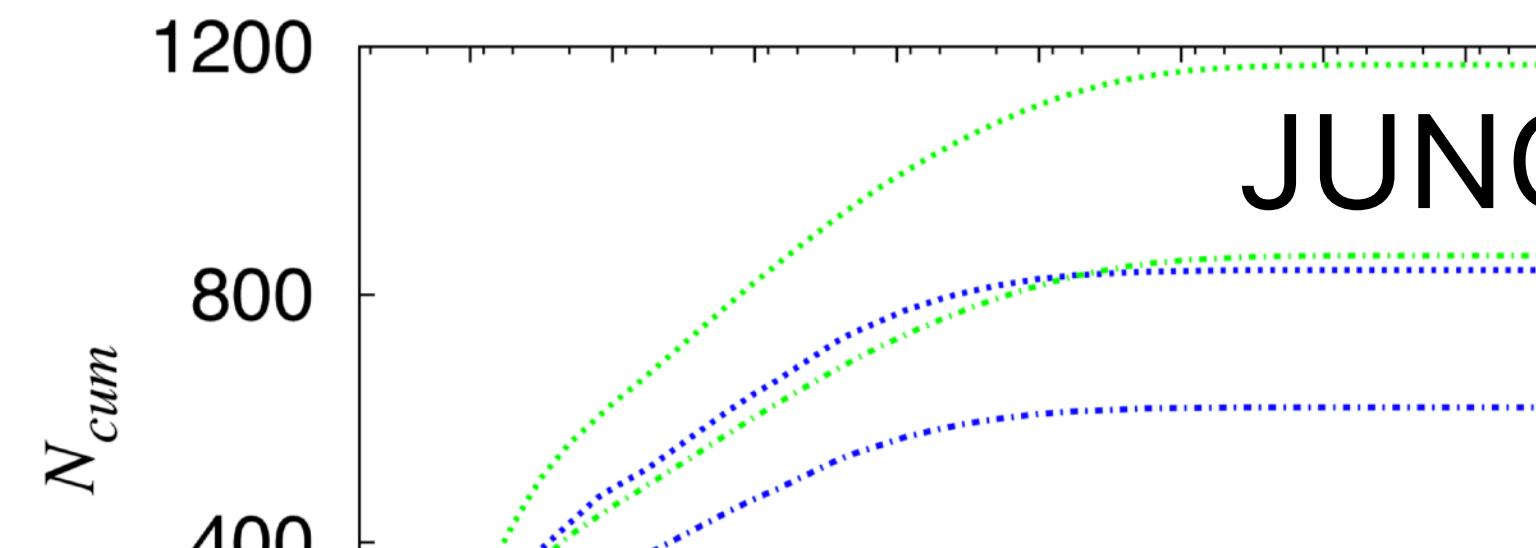
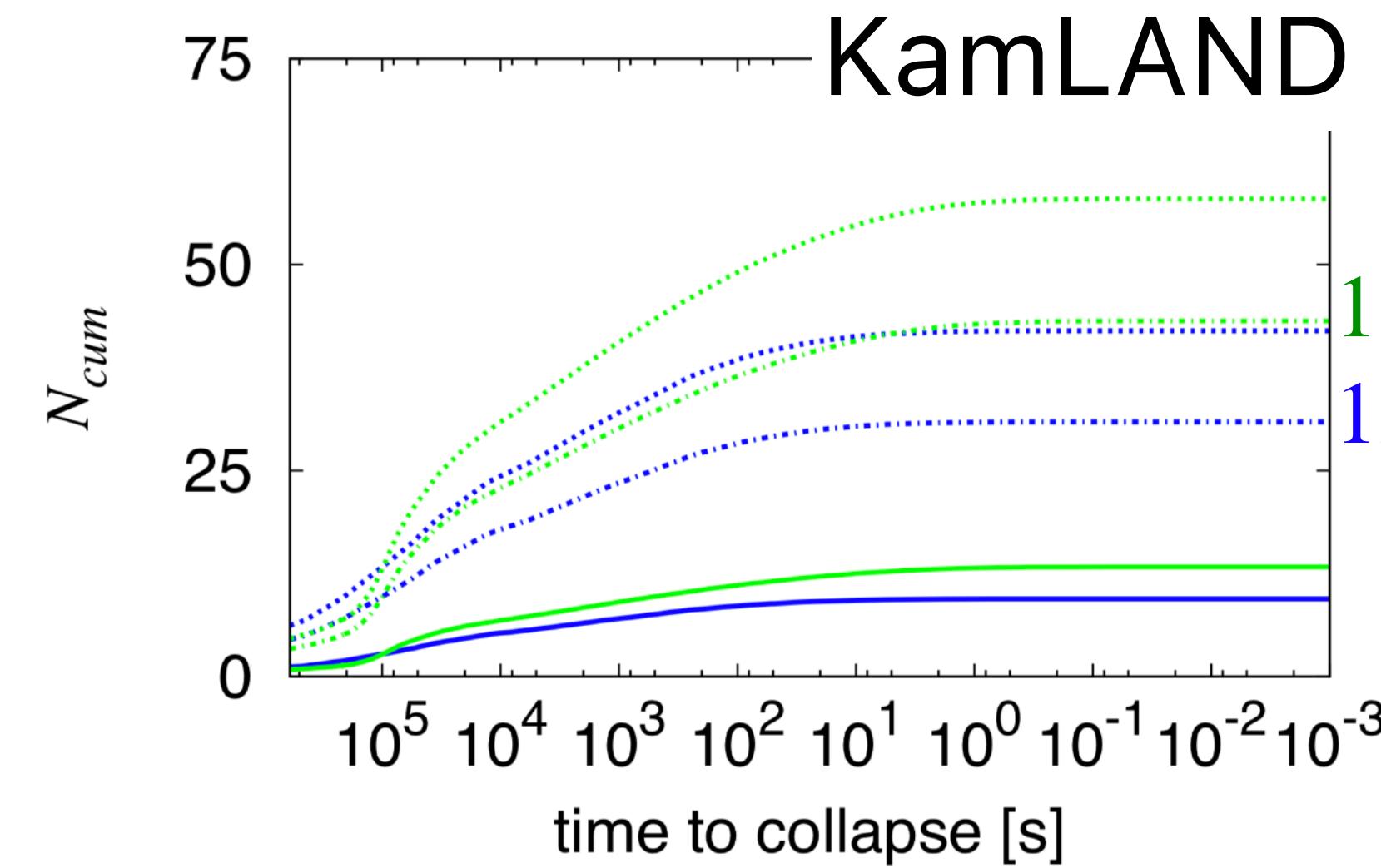
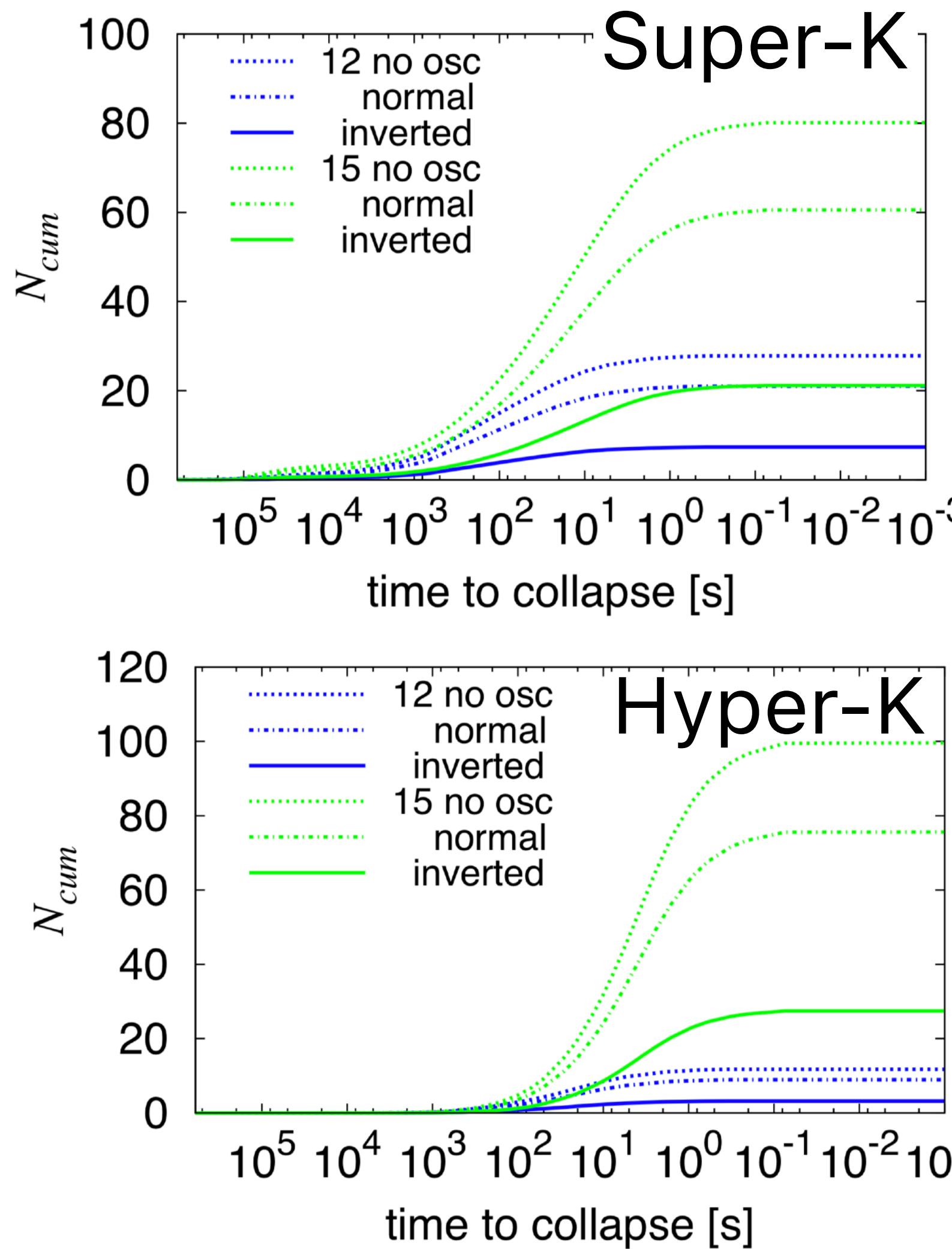


Figure from K.Ishidohiro's talk in 2019.

https://www.lowbg.org/ugnd/workshop/sympo_all/201903_Sendai/

For a review of pre-SN neutrinos, see, e.g., C.Kato, K.Ishidohiro, T.Yoshida [2006.02519].

Pre-SN neutrino



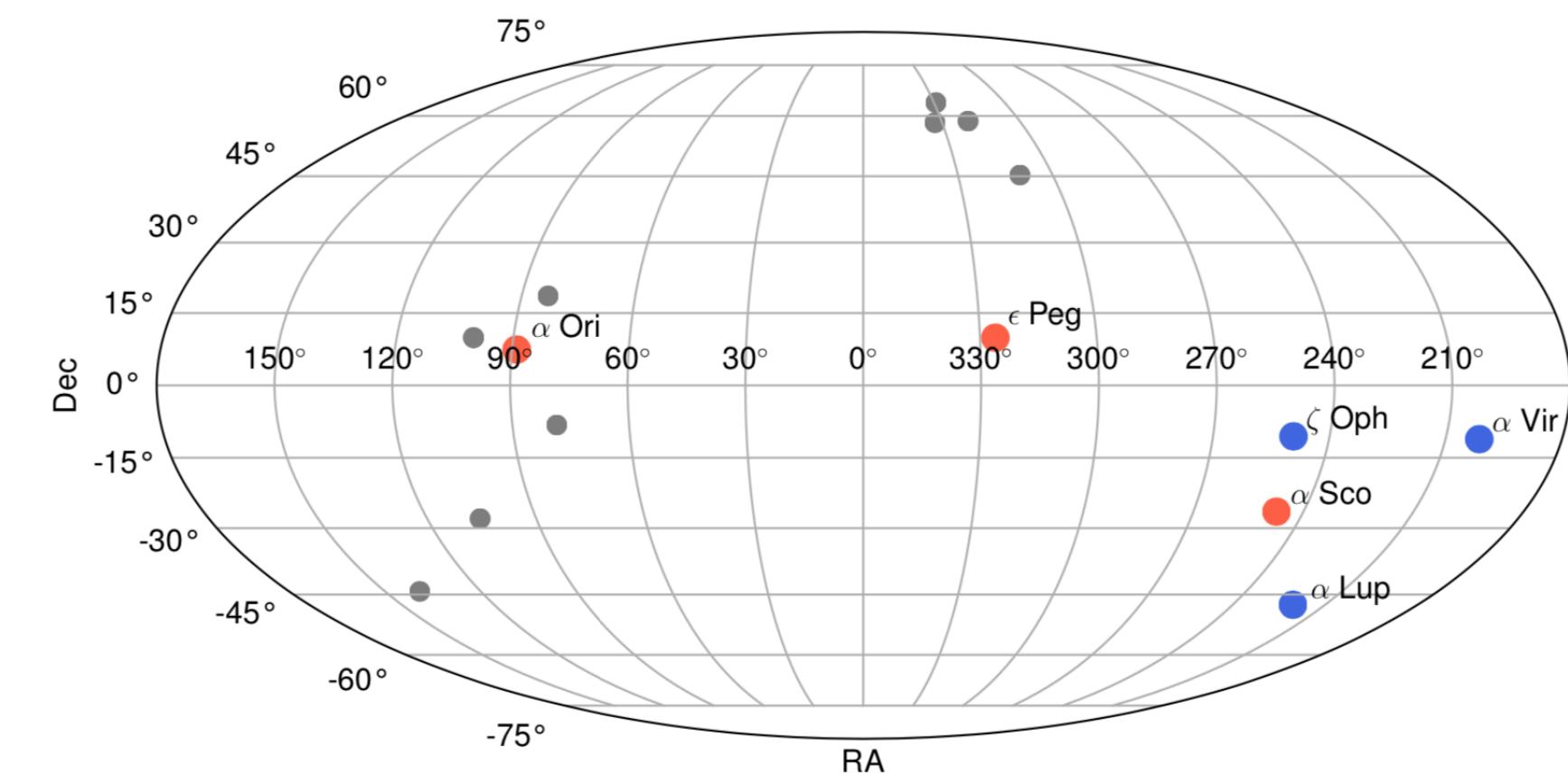
The cumulative numbers of expected pre-SN ν events for Fe-Core progenitor, $d = 200$ pc.
C. Kato et.al., [1506.02358].

+ DUNE, SNO+,... global network for an early SN alarm
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P. Antonioli et.al., [astro-ph/0406214].
SNEWS collaboration [2011.00035]

Pre-SN neutrino

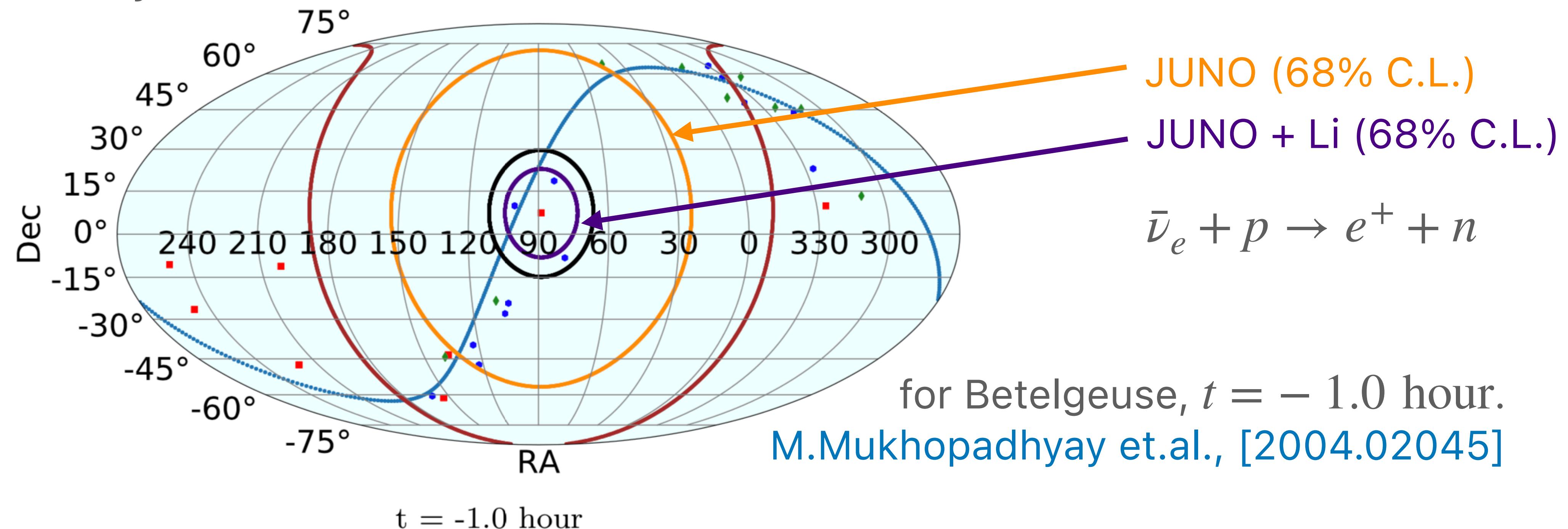
- The pre-SN neutrinos can be detected (warning alert triggered)
O(hours)-O(days) prior to the SN explosion ($d <$ a few 100 pc).
 - ※ SN progenitors with $M < 10M_{\odot}$
 - Pre-SN ν flux is too small to be detected even for $d < 200$ pc.
[C. Kato et.al., \[1506.02358\]](#).
 - We discard them.

$M > 10M_{\odot}$ only.



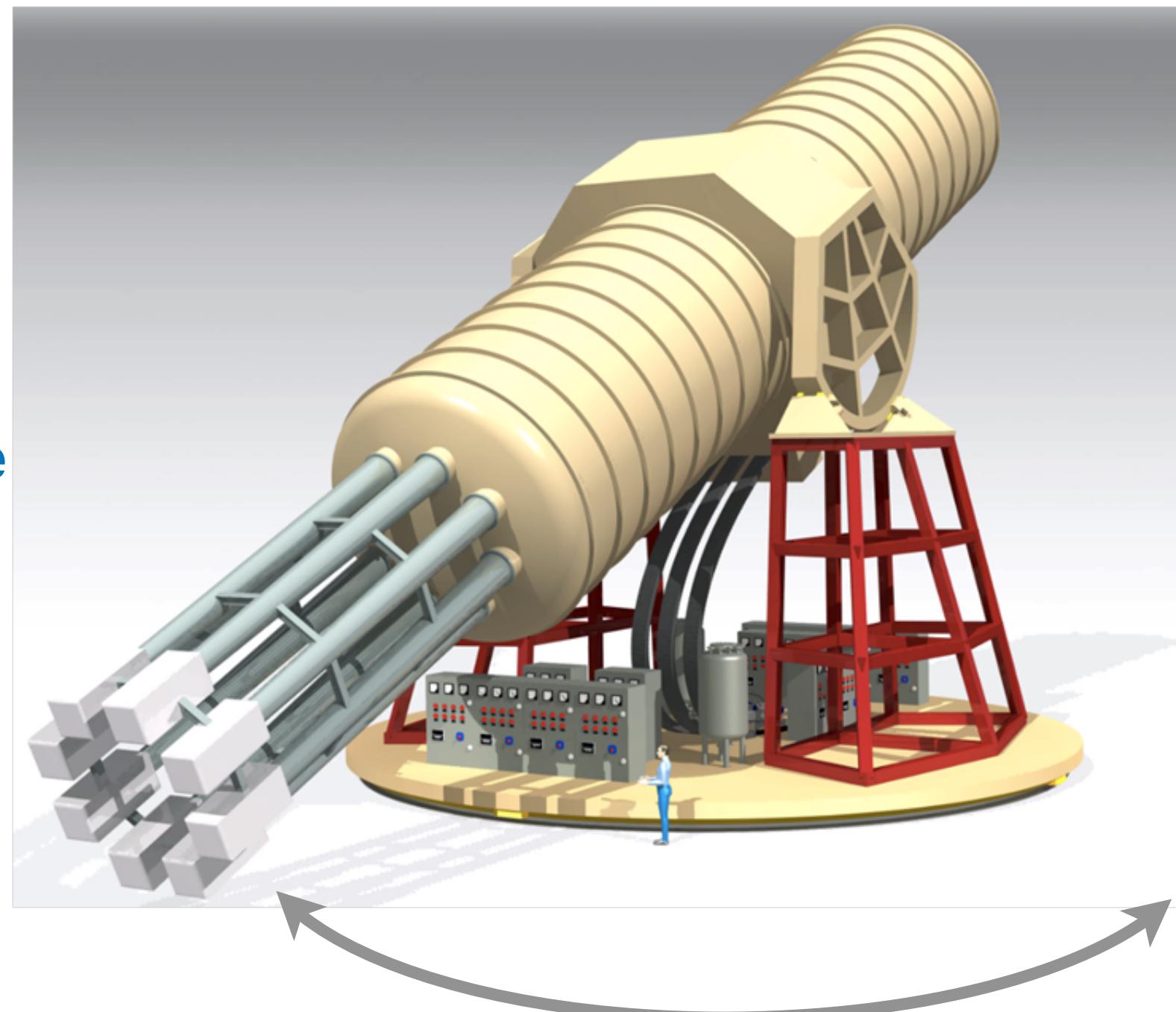
Pre-SN neutrino

- The pre-SN neutrinos can be detected (warning alert triggered) O(hours)-O(days) prior to the SN explosion ($d <$ a few 100 pc).
- It is in principle possible to estimate the location of the SN candidate on the sky.



Observation time fraction

Fig. from IAXO homepage



$$0 \leq \phi \leq 360^\circ$$

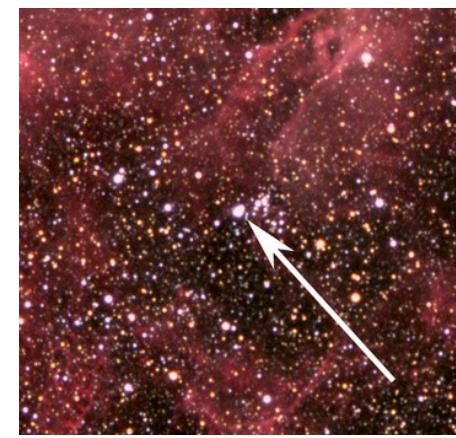


$$-\theta_{\max} \leq \theta \leq +\theta_{\max}$$

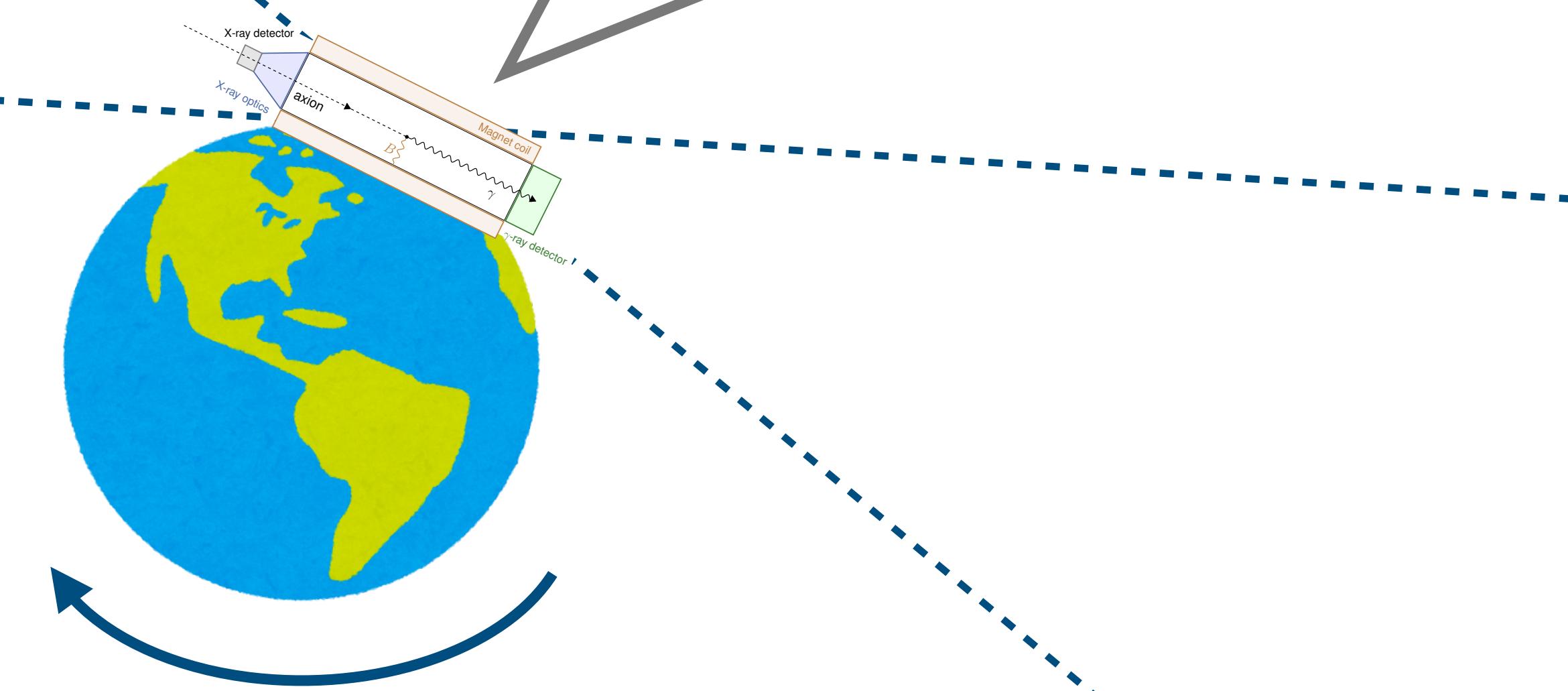
maximum elevation:

$$\theta_{\max} = \begin{cases} 25^\circ & (\text{IAXO}) \\ 20^\circ & (\text{TASTE}) \end{cases}$$

Observation time fraction

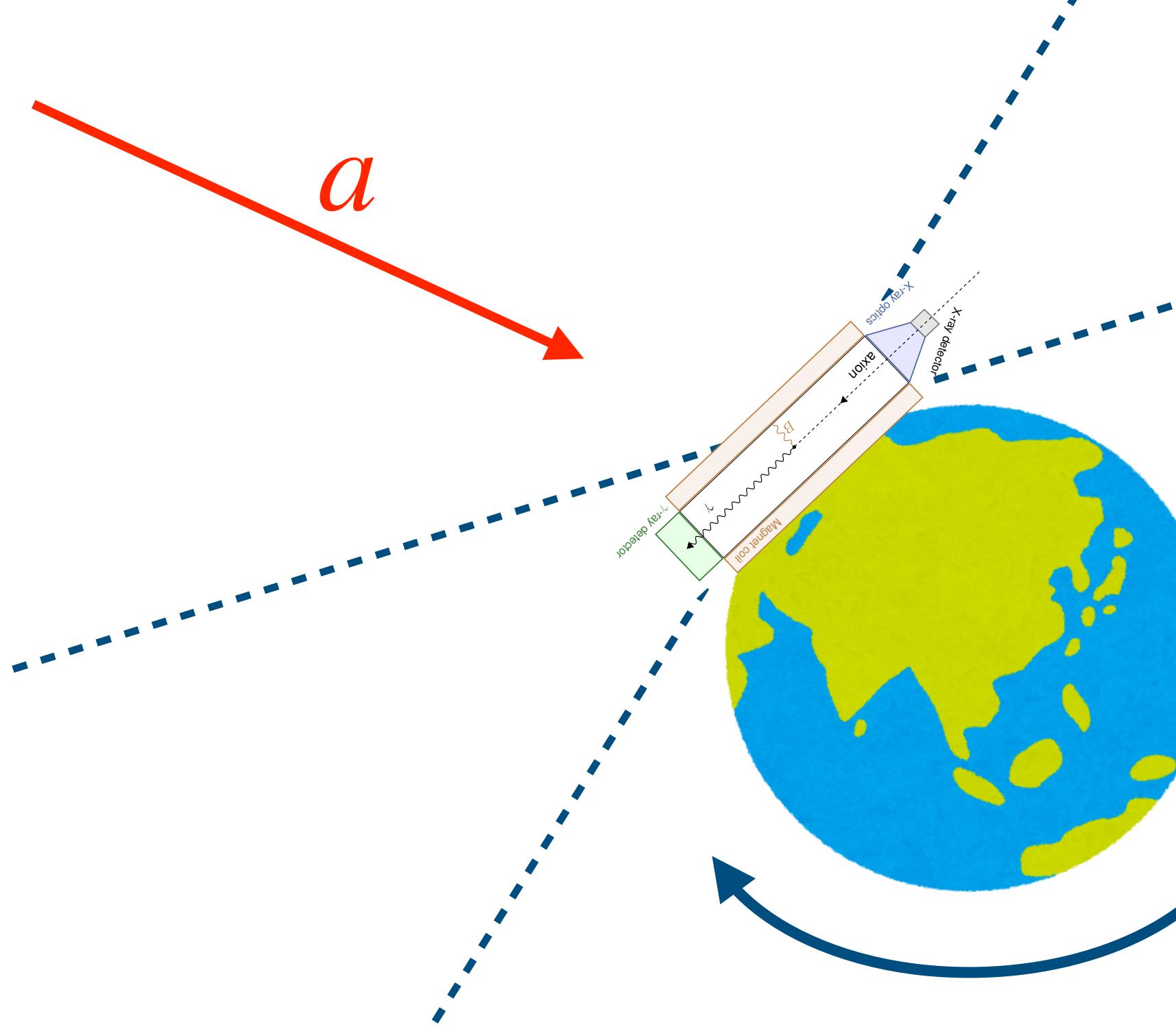
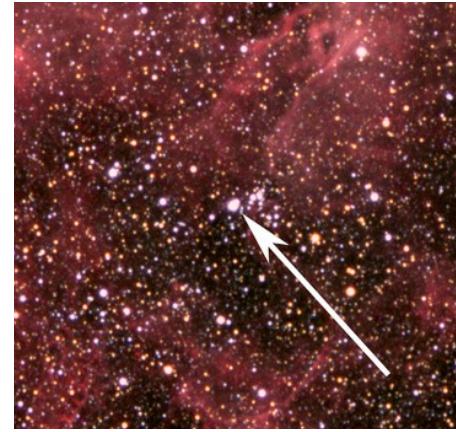


Come on!
Axion!



Observation time fraction

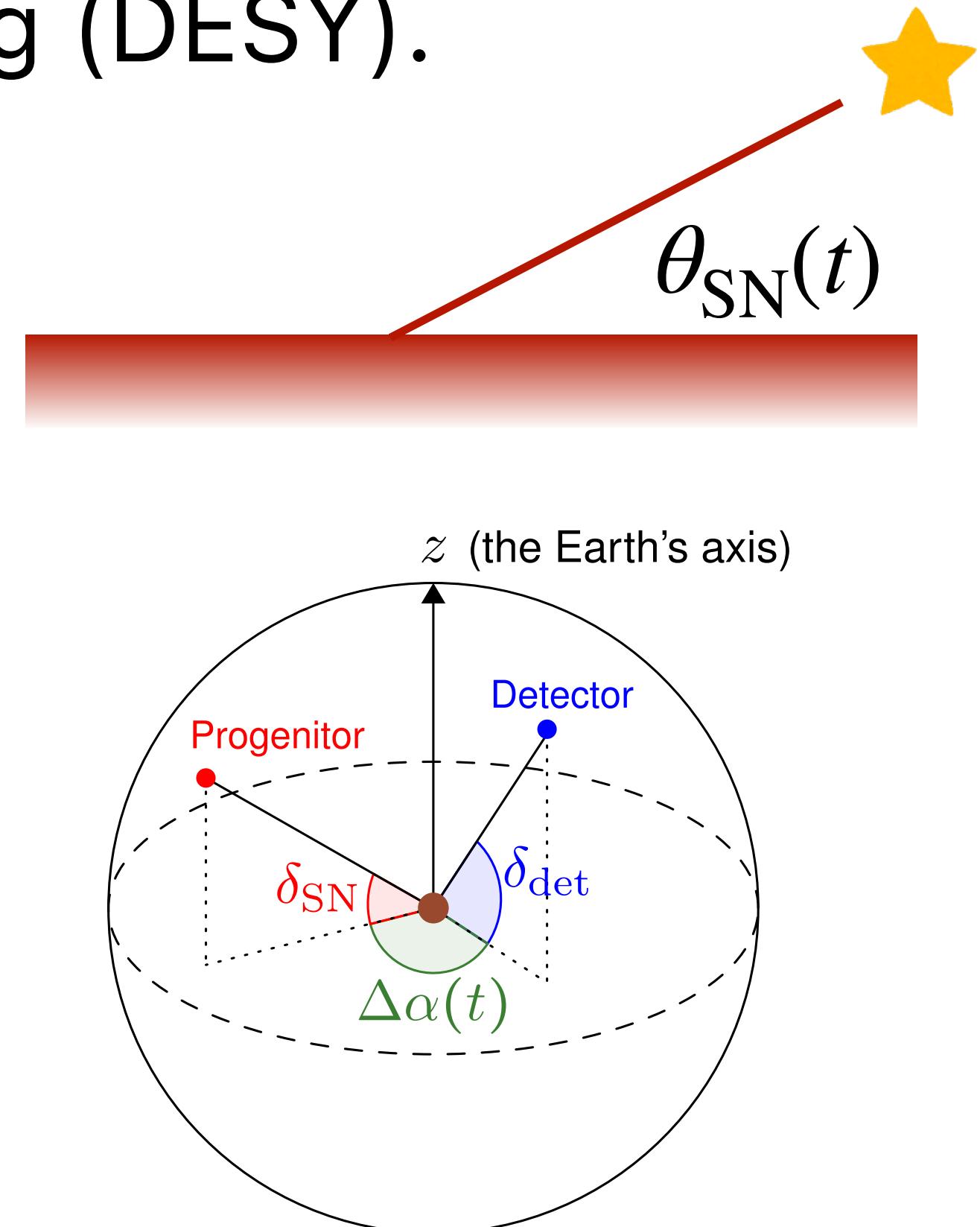
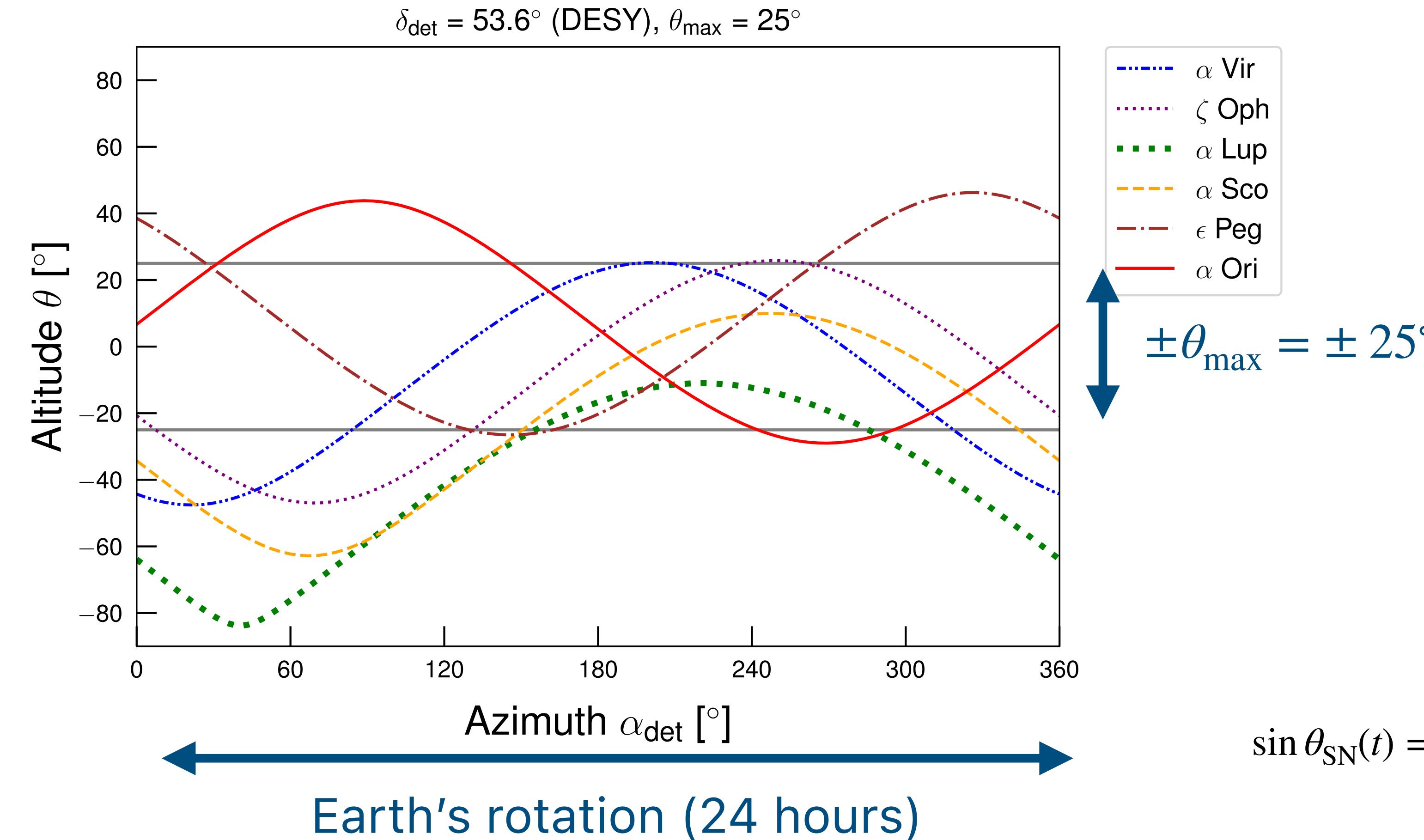
but if you are unlucky,...



Observation time fraction

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The altitude of the progenitors $\theta_{\text{SN}}(t)$ seen from Hamburg (DESY).



$$\sin \theta_{\text{SN}}(t) = \cos \delta_{\text{SN}} \cos \delta_{\text{det}} \cos \Delta\alpha(t) + \sin \delta_{\text{SN}} \sin \delta_{\text{det}}.$$

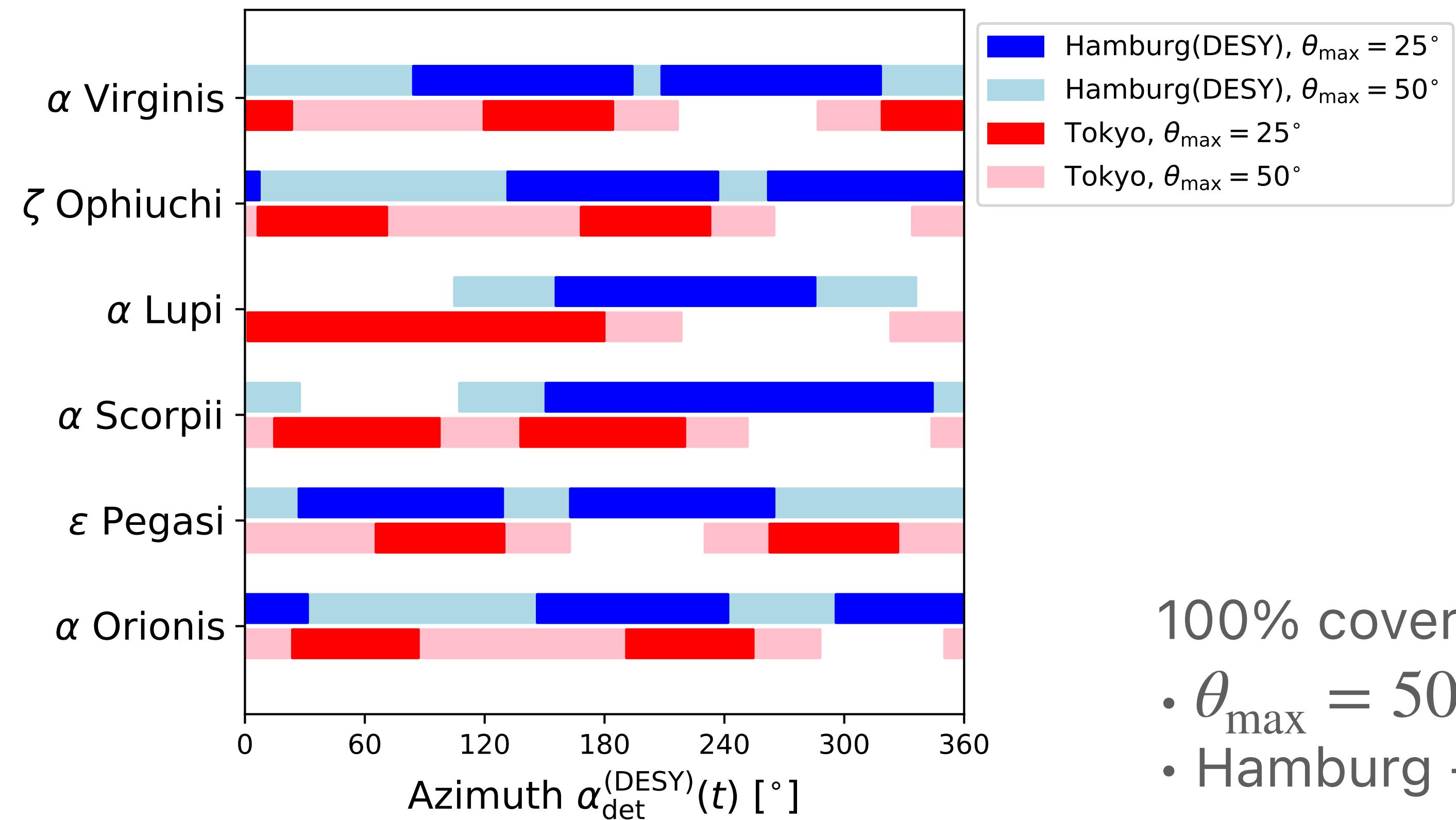
Observational time fraction > 50% for all the progenitors except a Lupi.

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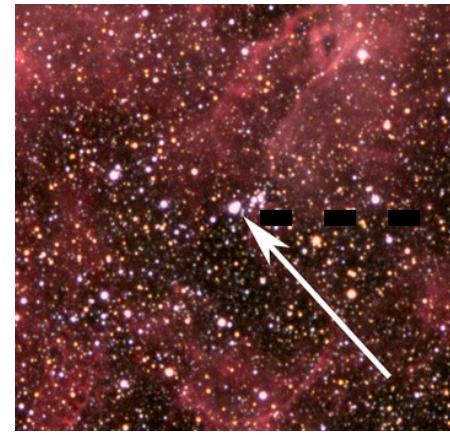
The time fraction can be increased by

- increasing the maximum elevation θ_{\max} and/or
- two SN-scopes at different observation points (e.g., Hamburg and Tokyo)



100% covered if
• $\theta_{\max} = 50^\circ$
• Hamburg + Tokyo.

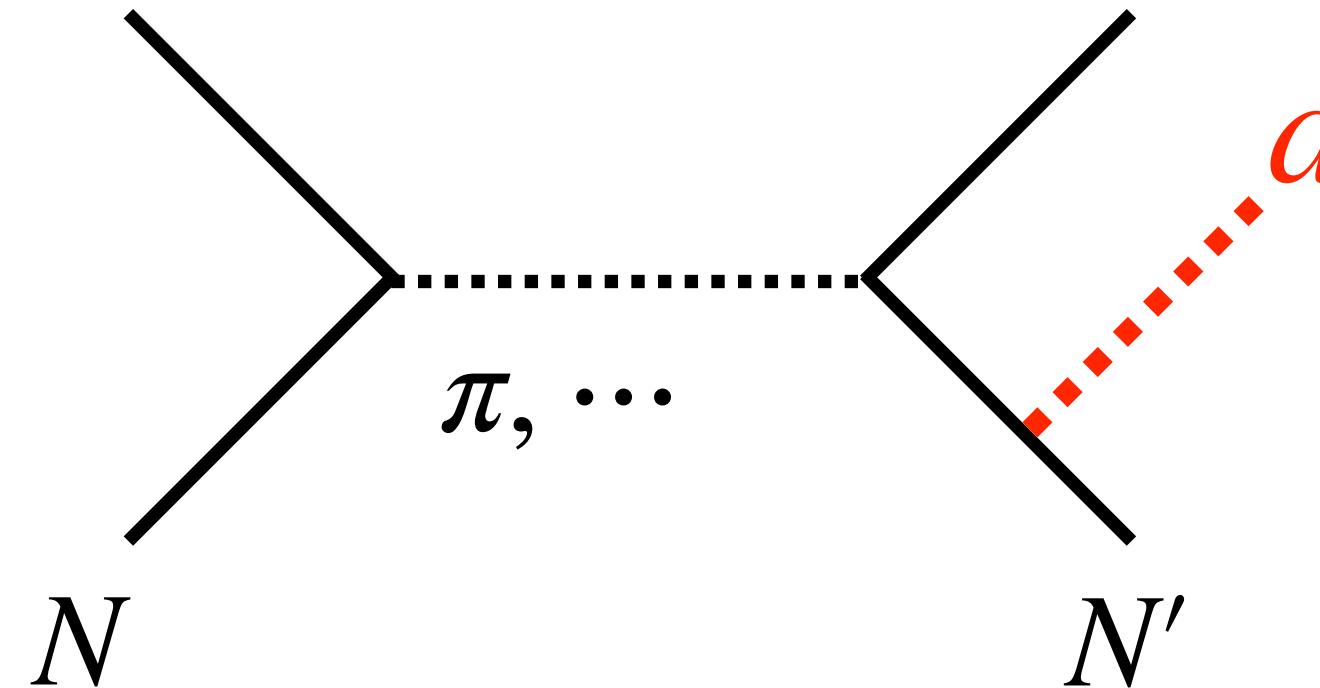
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$$NN' \rightarrow NN' + a$$

$(N, N' = n, p)$



$$\mathcal{L}_{aNN} = \sum_{N=n,p} \frac{C_N}{f_a} \bar{N} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 N \partial_\mu a$$

$$\begin{cases} C_p = -0.47 \\ C_n = -0.02 \\ C_p = -0.182 - 0.435 \sin^2 \beta \\ C_n = -0.160 + 0.414 \sin^2 \beta \end{cases}$$

(KSVZ)
(DFSZ)

$$N_{\text{event}} = \frac{N_a^{\text{SN}}}{4\pi d^2} \times P_{a \rightarrow \gamma}$$

Production

cf. more recent studies,
P.Carenza+, 2010.02943, 2108.13726]

- For the axion luminosity, we follow [P.Carenza et.al., 1906.11844], which includes various corrections to the one-pion exchange approximation. At the post-bounce time 1sec,

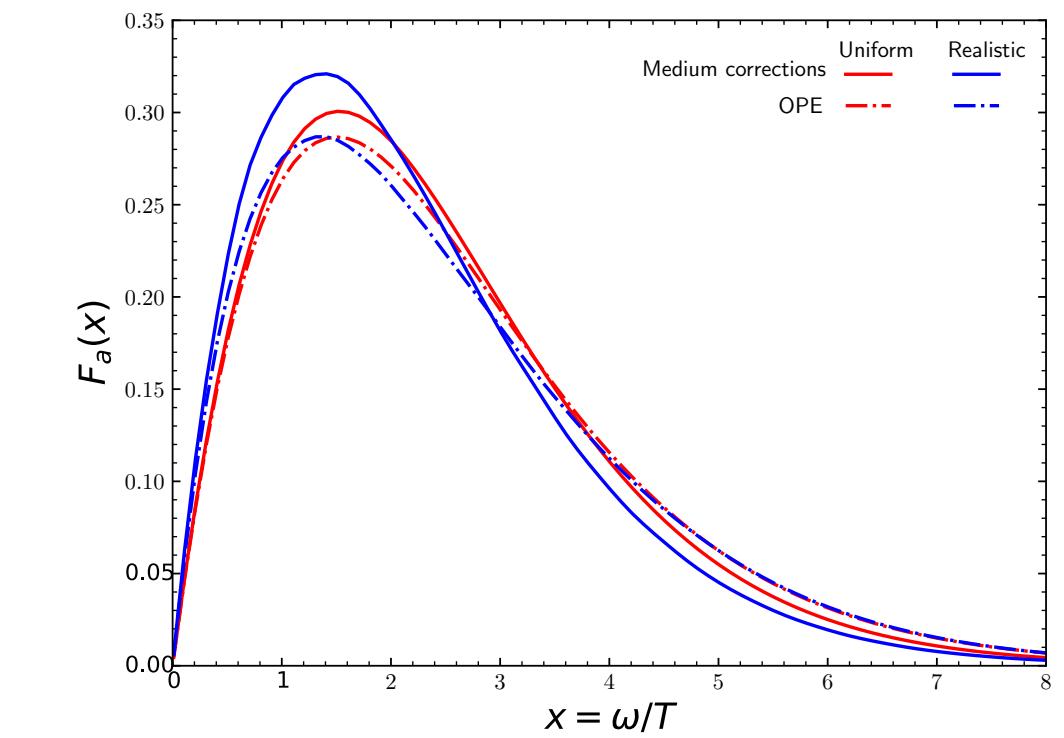
$$L_a \simeq 2.42 \times 10^{70} \text{ erg} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} \times \left(\frac{m_N}{f_a} \right)^2 C_{N,\text{eff}}^2$$

$$\text{where } C_{N,\text{eff}}^2 \equiv C_n^2 + 0.61C_p^2 + 0.53C_nC_p.$$

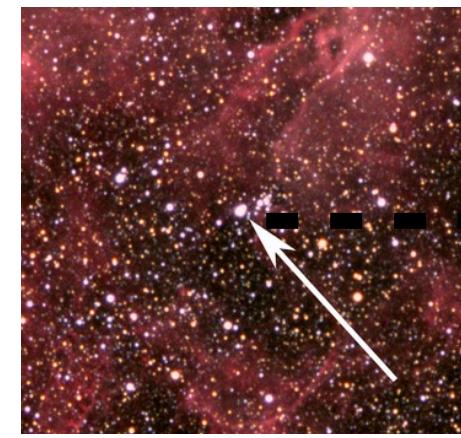
- We also include the temperature dependence, $\sim T^{5/2}$.
- The axion energy is $\langle E_a \rangle \simeq 2.3T$.
- Thus, the total number of axions from SN is

$$N_a^{\text{SN}} = \dot{N}_a \Delta t = \frac{L_a}{\langle E_a \rangle} \Delta t \simeq 3 \times 10^{57} \left(\frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV}}{f_a} \right)^2 \left(\frac{C_{N,\text{eff}}}{0.37} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\Delta t}{10 \text{ s}} \right) \left(\frac{T}{30 \text{ MeV}} \right)^{5/2}$$

KSVZ



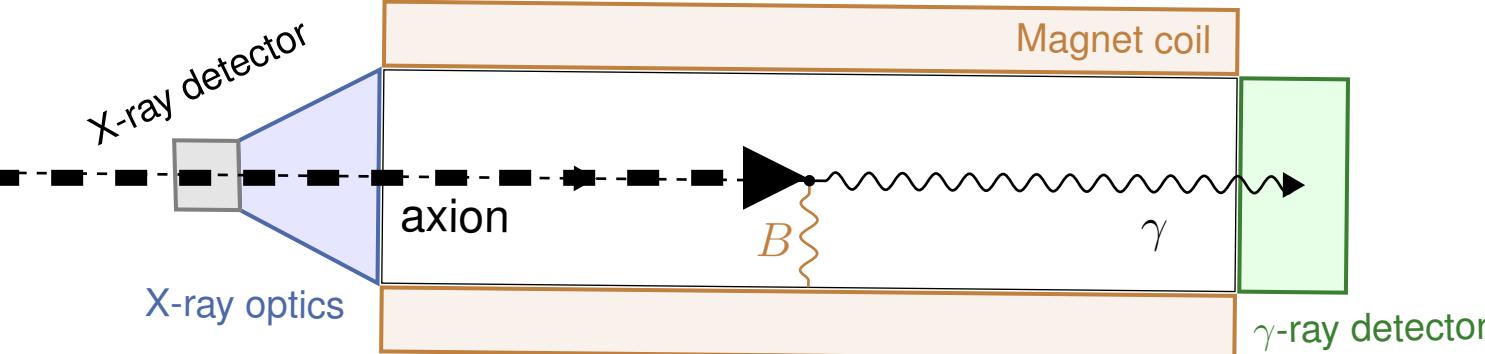
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d

$$N_{\text{event}} = N_a^{\text{SN}} \times \frac{A}{4\pi d^2} \times P_{a \rightarrow \gamma}$$



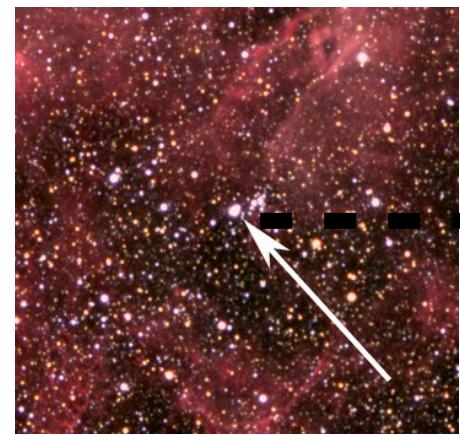
Red line graph showing signal amplitude versus distance *d*.

$$\frac{A}{4\pi d^2} = 8.5 \times 10^{-39} \left(\frac{A}{2.3 \text{ m}^2} \right) \left(\frac{150 \text{ pc}}{d} \right)^2$$



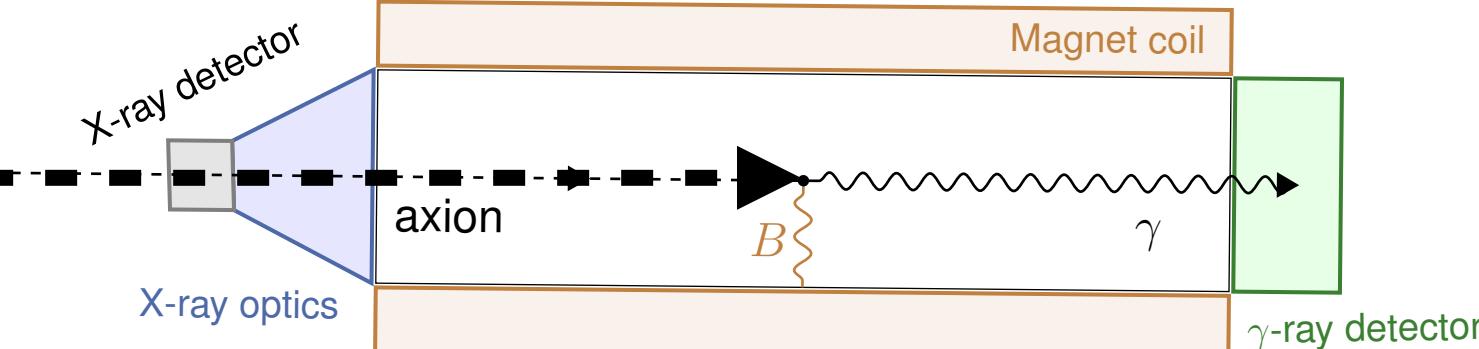
Experiment	(Proposed) site	<i>B</i> (T)	<i>L</i> (m)	<i>A</i> (m ²)
CAST [34–39]	CERN	9	9.3	2.9×10^{-3}
BabyIAXO [41]	DESY	~ 2	10	0.77
IAXO baseline [40, 41]	DESY	~ 2.5	20	2.3
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a - - - - - γ

Detection

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{C_{a\gamma\gamma}}{f_a} BL \right)^2 \left(\frac{\sin(qL/2)}{qL/2} \right)^2 \\ &= 3.6 \times 10^{-20} \left(\frac{C_{a\gamma\gamma}}{\alpha/\pi} \right)^2 \left(\frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV}}{f_a} \right)^2 \left(\frac{B}{2.5 \text{ T}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{L}{20 \text{ m}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\sin(qL/2)}{qL/2} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

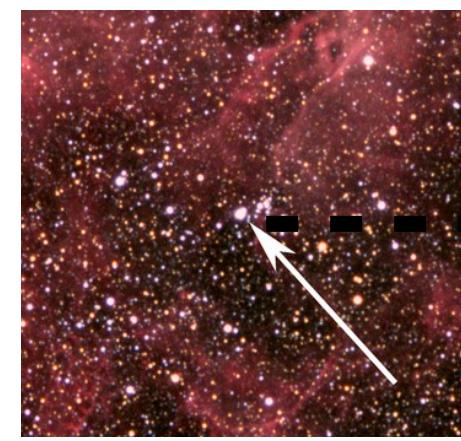
where $q = m_a^2/2E_a$.

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suppression factor
for $m_a \gtrsim \sqrt{\frac{2\langle E_a \rangle}{L}}$.
($a \leftrightarrow \gamma$ oscillation)

$$\sqrt{\frac{2\langle E_a \rangle}{L}}$$

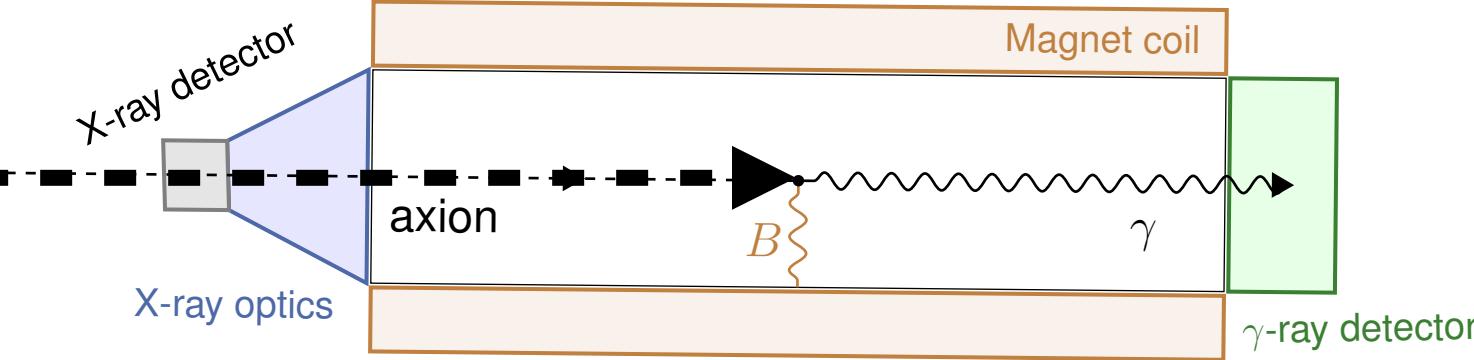
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After all,...

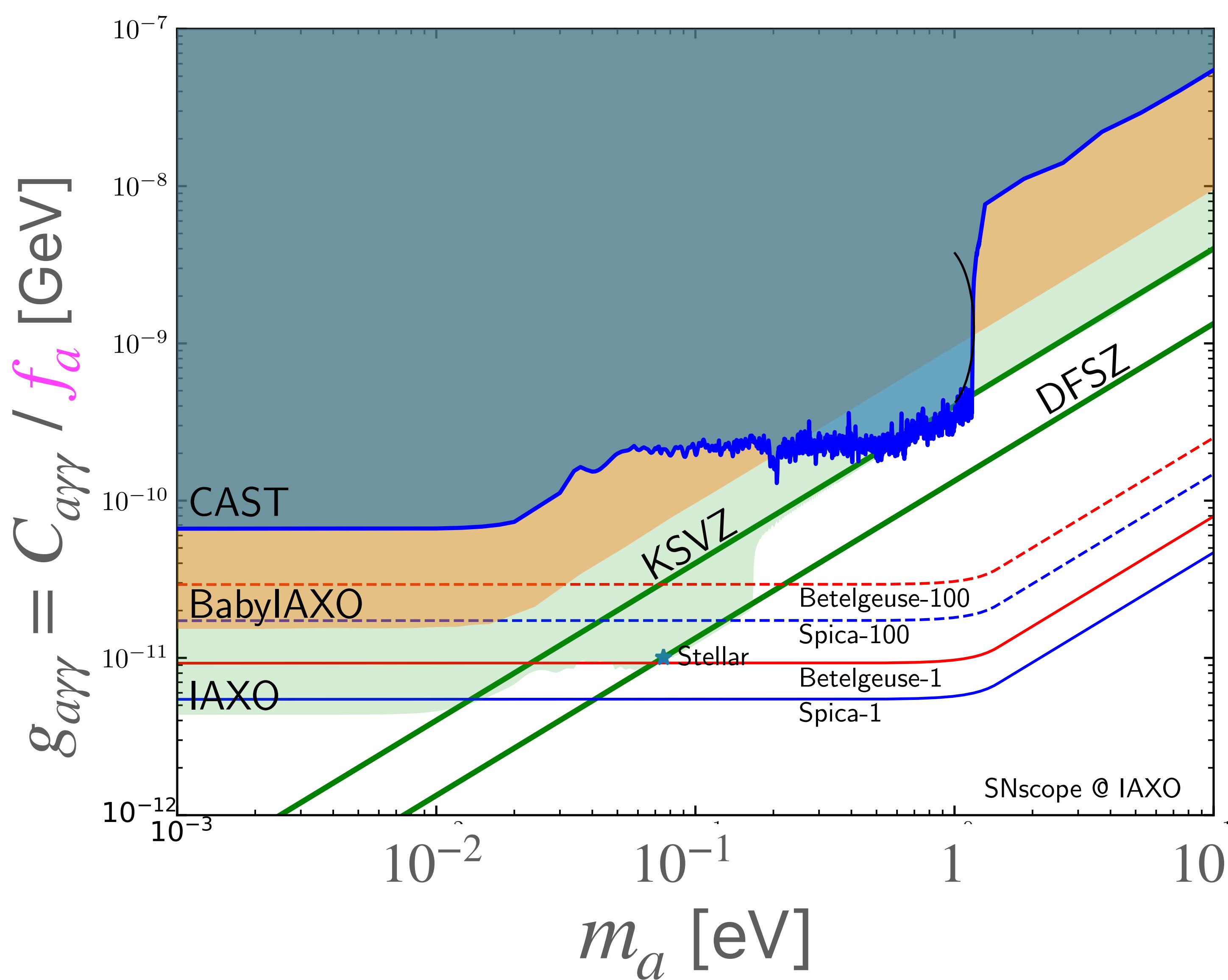
$$N_{\text{event}} \simeq 1.0 \times \underbrace{\left(\frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV}}{f_a} \right)^4 \left(\frac{C_{N,\text{eff}}}{0.37} \right)^2 \left(\frac{C_{a\gamma\gamma}}{\alpha/\pi} \right)^2}_{\text{axion model}} \times \underbrace{\left(\frac{150 \text{ pc}}{d} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\Delta t}{10 \text{ s}} \right) \left(\frac{T}{30 \text{ MeV}} \right)^{5/2}}_{\text{SN}}$$

$$\times \underbrace{\left(\frac{A}{2.3 \text{ m}^2} \right) \left(\frac{B}{2.5 \text{ T}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{L}{20 \text{ m}} \right)^2}_{\text{detector}} \times \left(\frac{\sin(qL/2)}{qL/2} \right)^2.$$

* We expect roughly $O(1)\sim 10$ uncertainty, especially from SN part.

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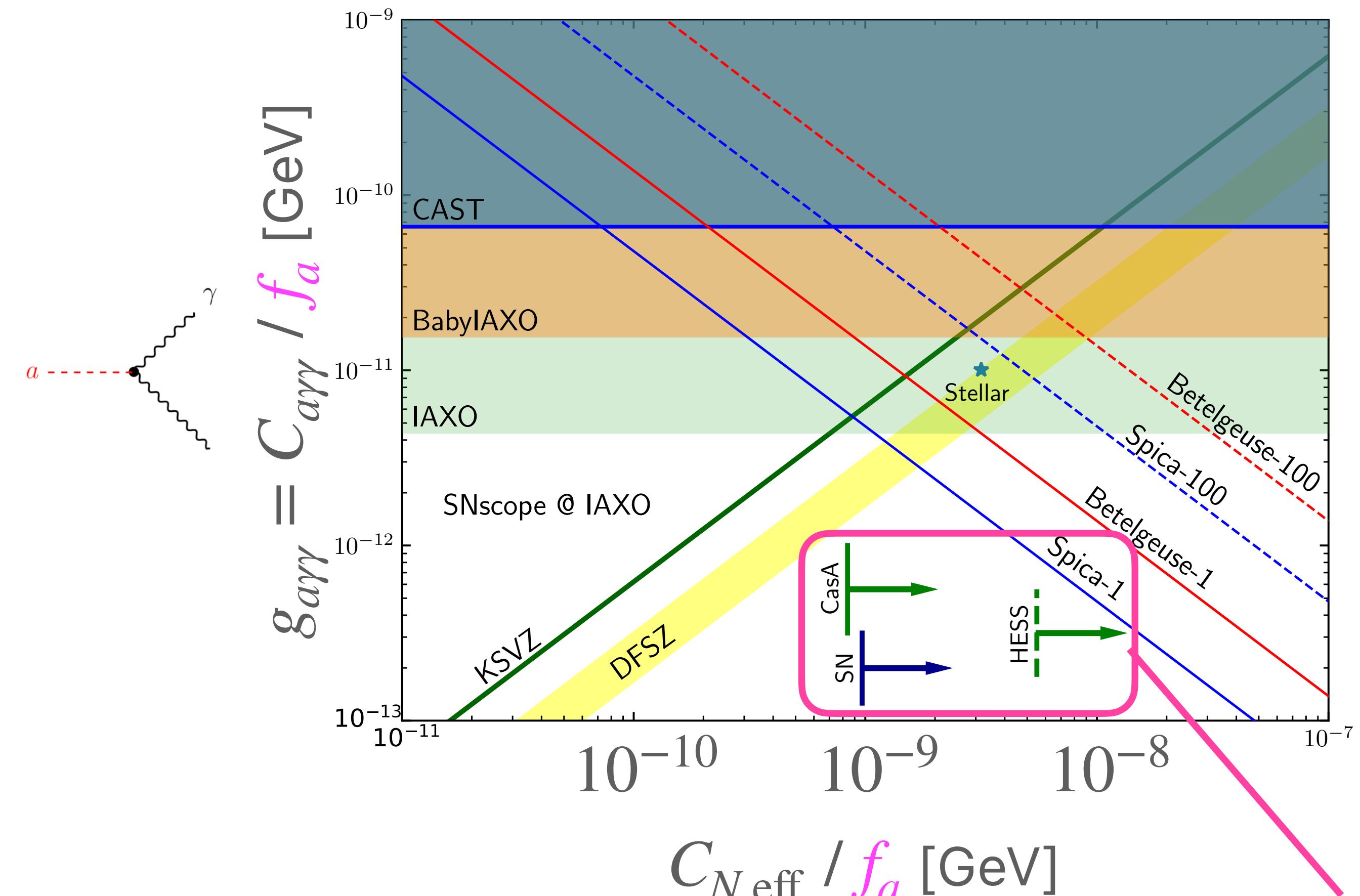
$N_{\text{event}} = 1 \sim 100$
for **Betelgeuse** ($d \simeq 220$ pc)
and **Spica** ($d \simeq 77$ pc)

- Axion coupling: KSVZ model ($C_{N,\text{eff}} = 0.37$ and $C_{a\gamma\gamma} = \alpha/\pi$)
- Axion mass: free parameter (ALPs-like)
- Better sensitivity than helioscopes for large mass, because of higher axion energy ($E_a^{\text{SN}} \sim 70$ MeV $\gg E_a^{\text{sun}} \sim$ a few keV).
- For small mass region, both solar axion and SN-axion may be discovered.

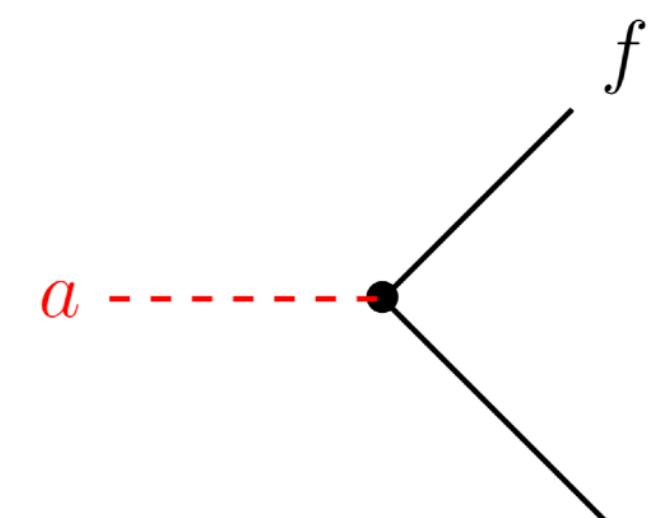
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vs. stellar constraints

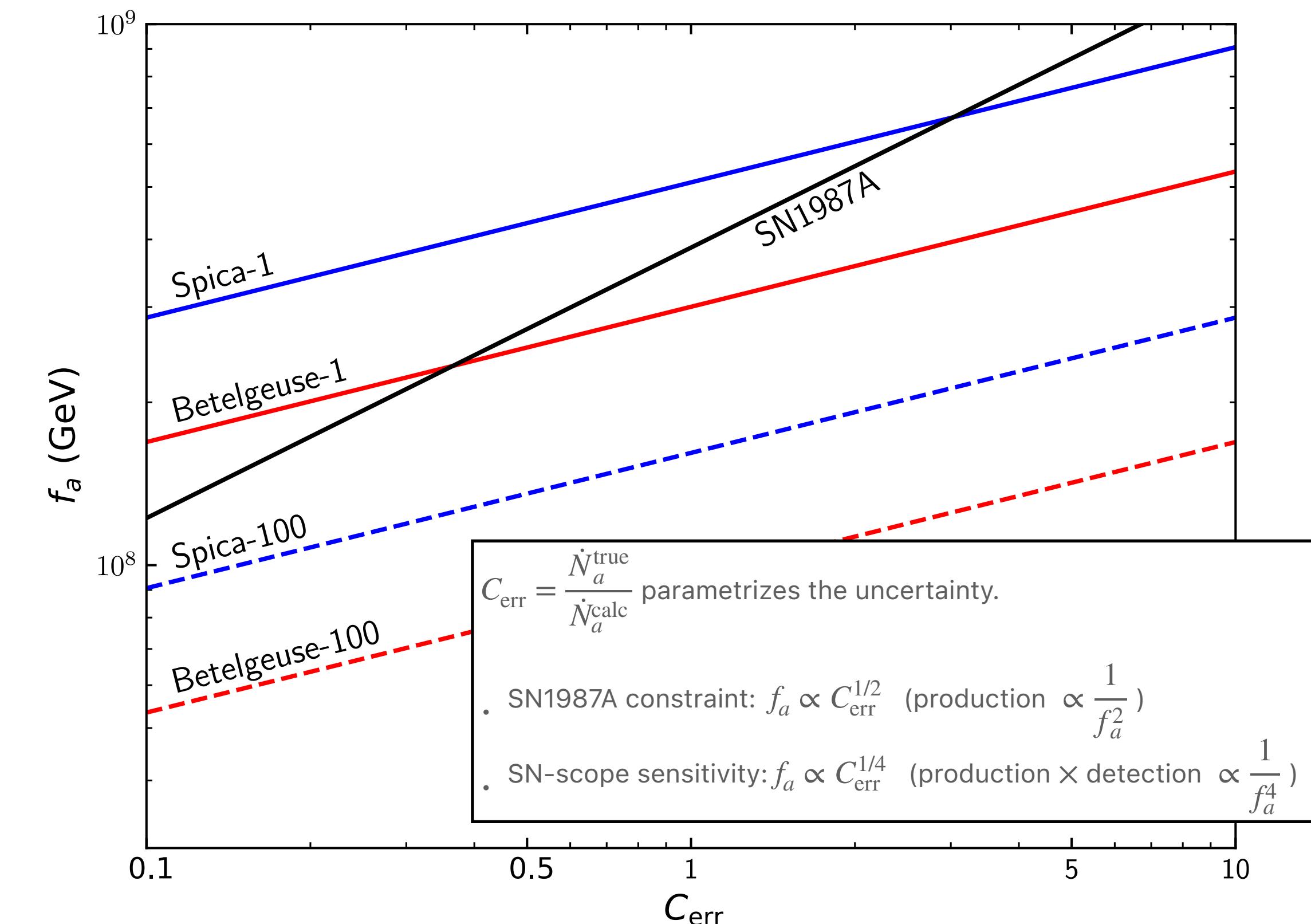
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$$\cdot m_a = 10^{-3} \text{ eV (fixed)}$$

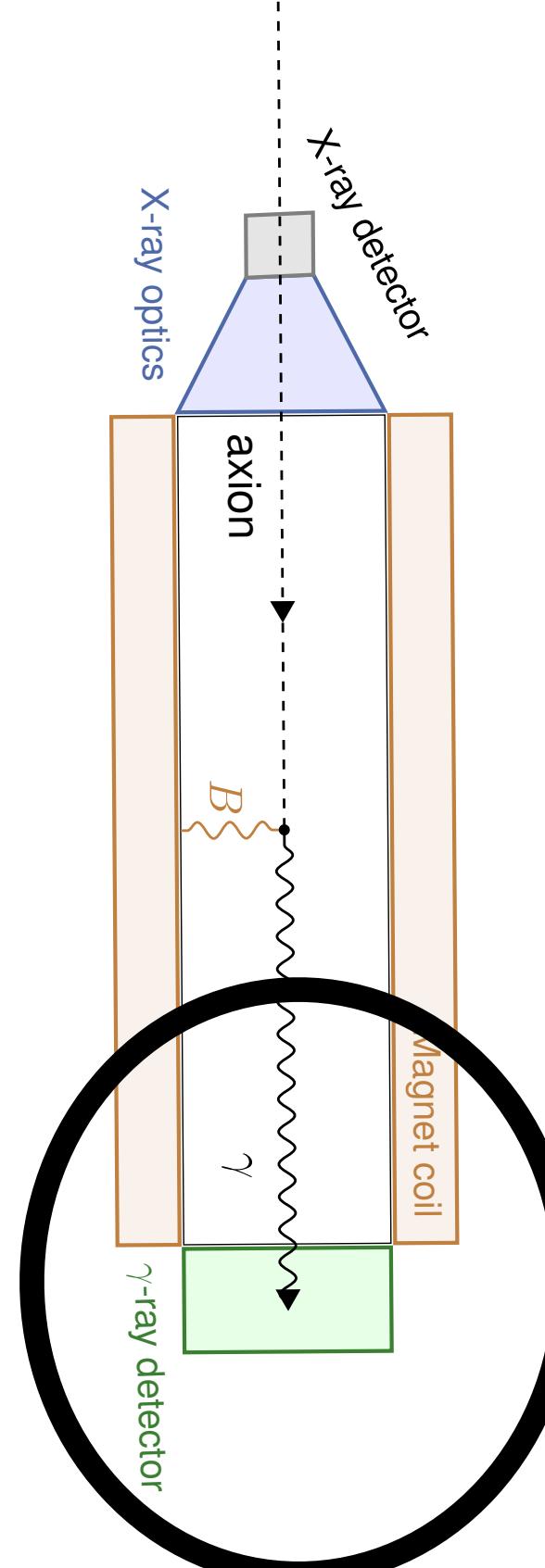


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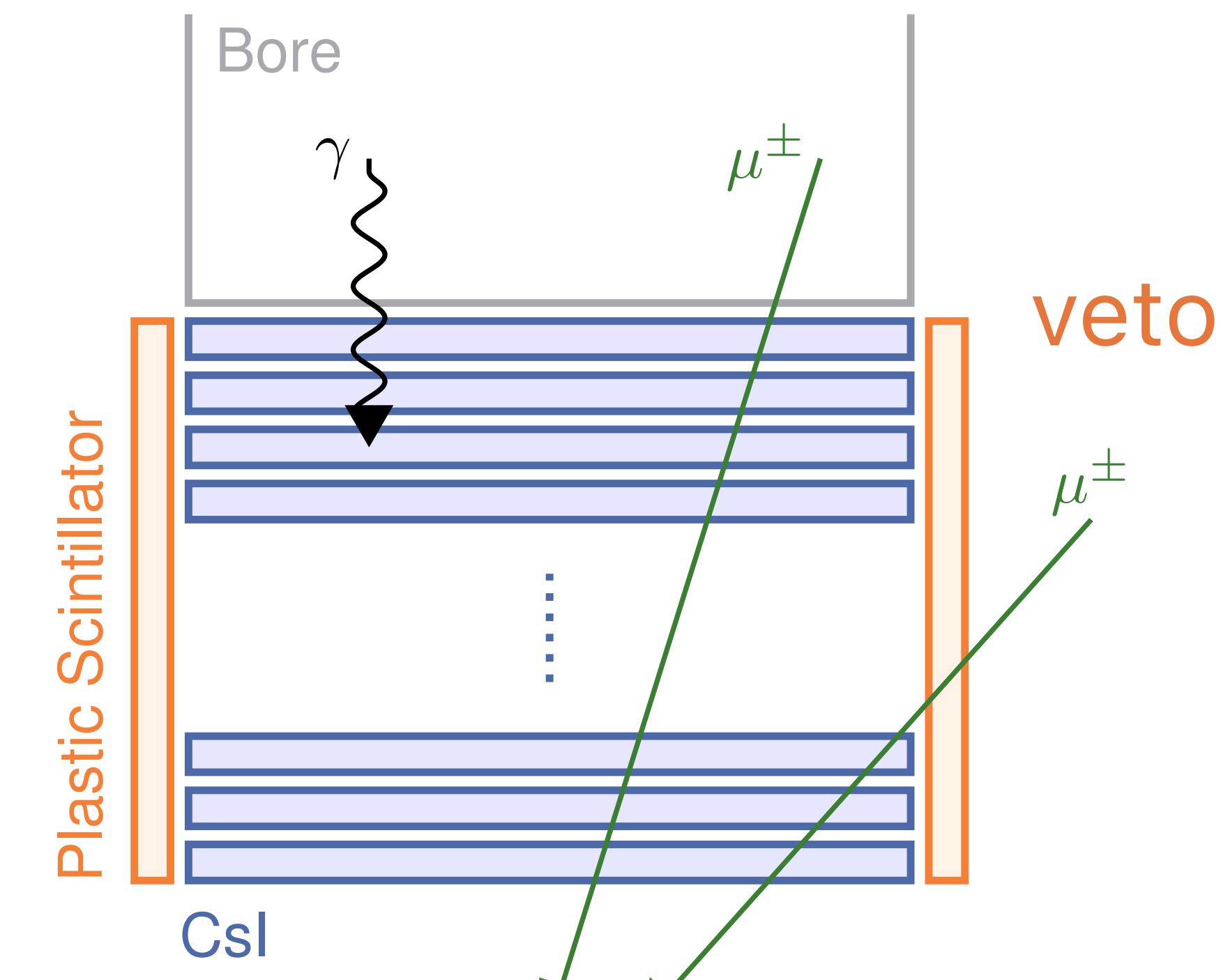


For $C_{\text{err}} \simeq 0.1 - 0.3$,

- $\mathcal{O}(1)$ events for Betelgeuse,
- $\mathcal{O}(10)$ events for Spica.

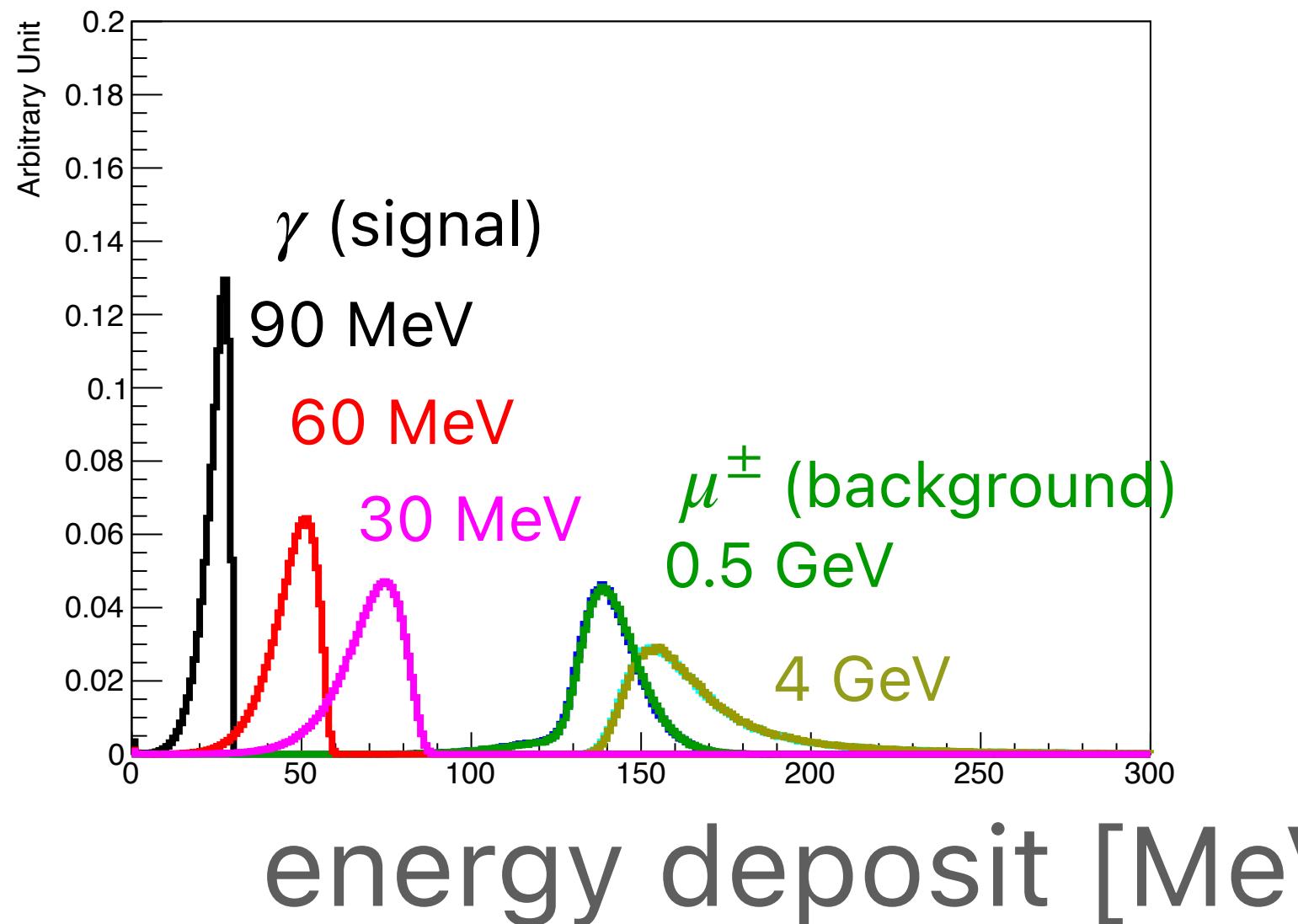


A design for the gamma-ray detector

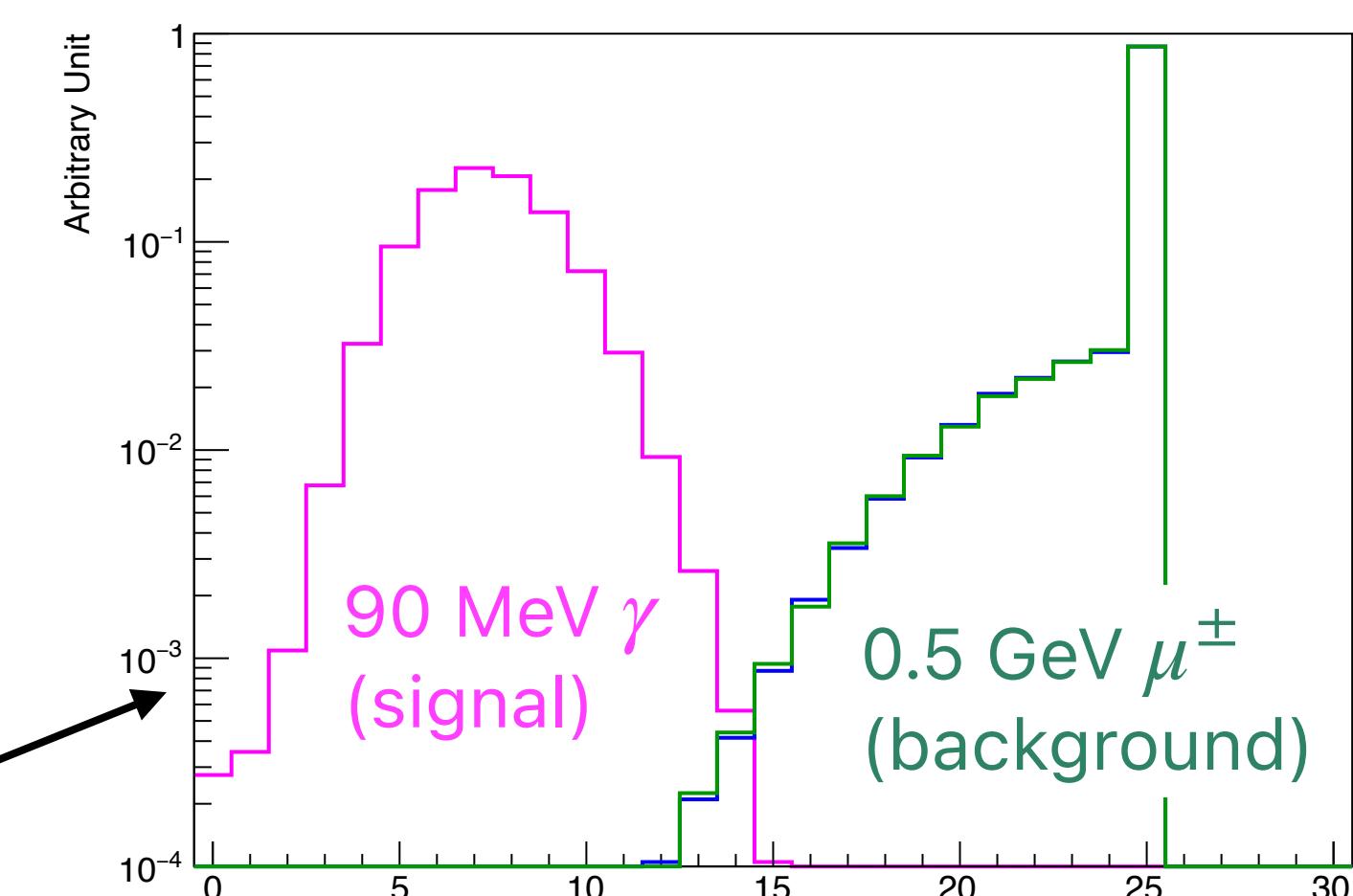


- $\mathcal{O}(1000)$ muon events in 10 sec.

- They can be rejected by energy deposit and # of hits.



energy deposit [MeV]



of hits

Backup

NS and DM

observational feasibility

•<https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.07496>

Reheated Sub-40000 Kelvin Neutron Stars at the JWST, ELT, and TMT

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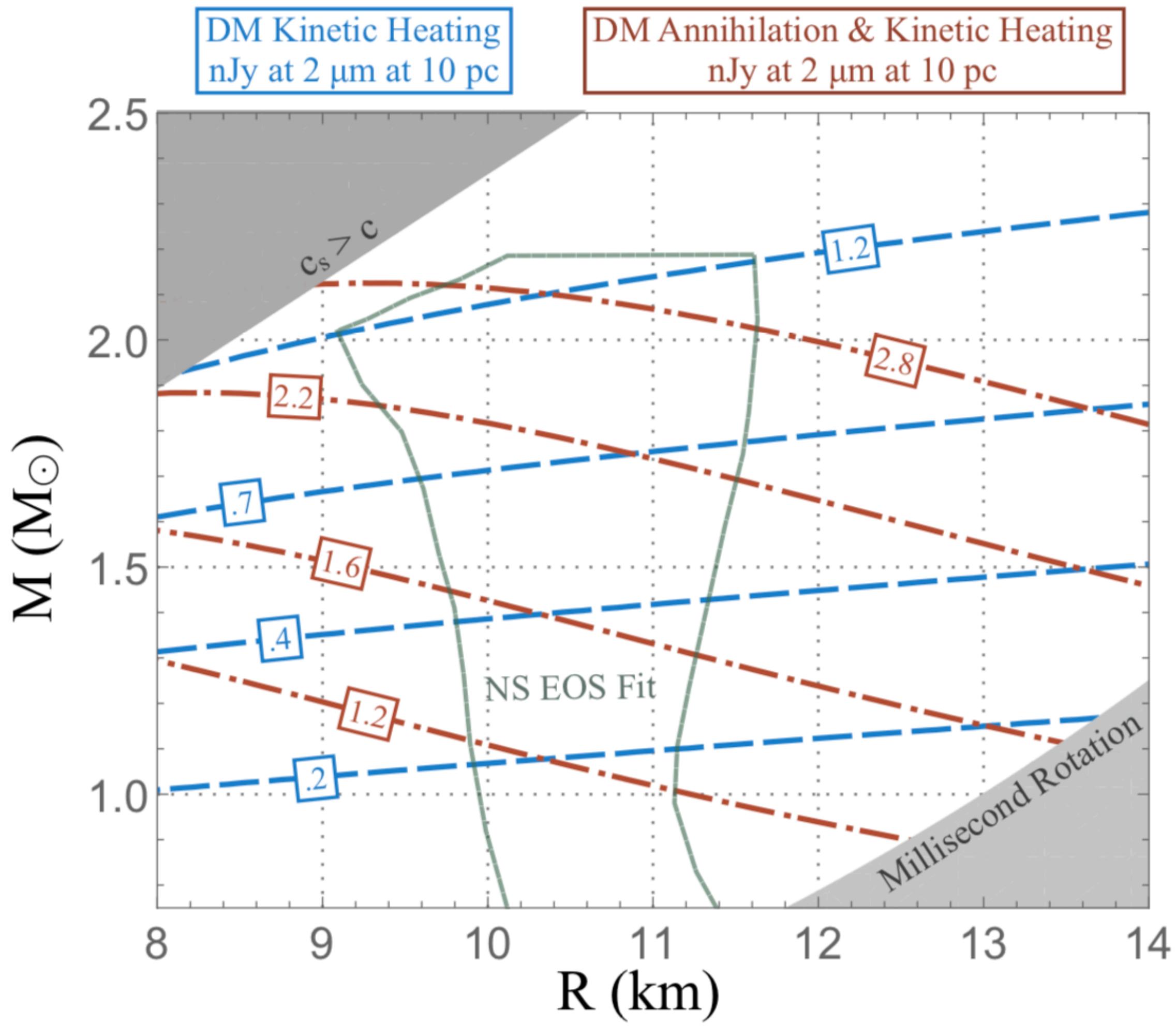
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Neutron stars cooling passively since their birth may be reheated in their late-stage evolution by a number of possible phenomena: rotochemical, vortex creep, crust cracking, magnetic field decay, or more exotic processes such as removal of neutrons from their Fermi seas (the nucleon Auger effect), baryon number-violating nucleon decay, and accretion of particle dark matter. Using Exposure Time Calculator tools, we show that reheating mechanisms imparting effective temperatures of 2000–40000 Kelvin may be uncovered with excellent sensitivities at the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST), the Extremely Large Telescope (ELT), and the Thirty Meter Telescope (TMT), with imaging instruments operating from visible-edge to near-infrared. With a day of exposure, they could constrain the reheating luminosity of a neutron star up to a distance of 500 pc, within which about 10^5 (undiscovered) neutron stars lie. Detection in multiple filters could overconstrain a neutron star’s surface temperature, distance from Earth, mass, and radius. Using publicly available catalogues of newly discovered pulsars at the FAST and CHIME radio telescopes and the Galactic electron distribution models YMW16 and NE2001, we estimate the pulsars’ dispersion measure distance from Earth, and find that potentially 30–40 of these may be inspected for late-stage

observational feasibility

- <https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.01577>
- $O(1)$ old and cold NSs can be at $d = 10\text{pc}$.
- Radiation from a DM-heated NS there results in a spectral flux density of $O(1)$ nanoJansky (nJy) at wavelength $\nu^{-1} = \mathcal{O}(1) \mu\text{m}$.
- Maybe within the sensitivity of the upcoming telescopes such as the JWST, TMT, and E-ELT.



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