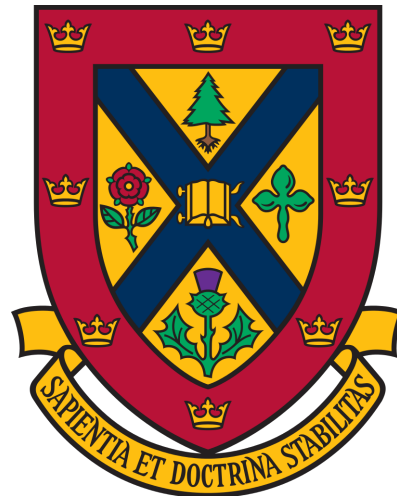


# Explosive Dark Matter Production of Heavy Elements in Compact Stars



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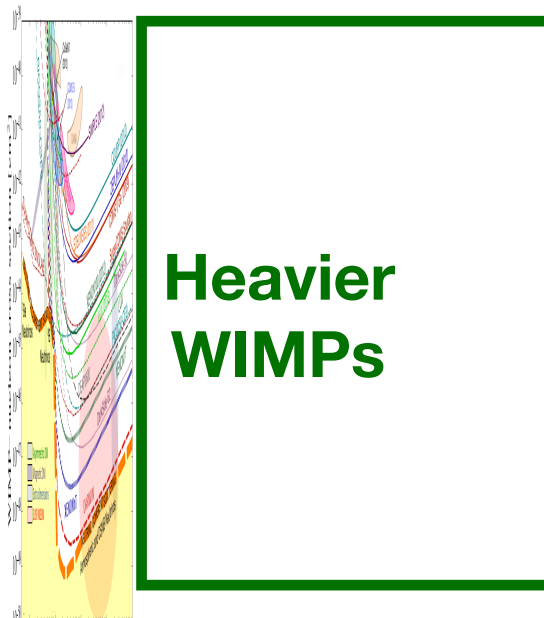
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$10^{-30}$   $10^{-20}$   $10^{-10}$   $10^0$   $10^{10}$   $10^{20}$   $10^{30}$   $10^{40}$   $10^{50}$   $10^{60}$

$m_x$  (GeV)

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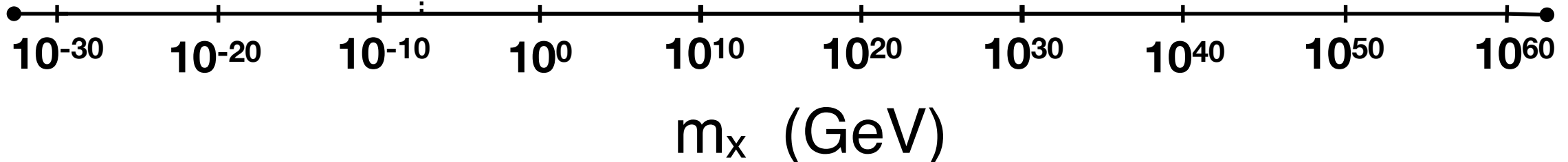
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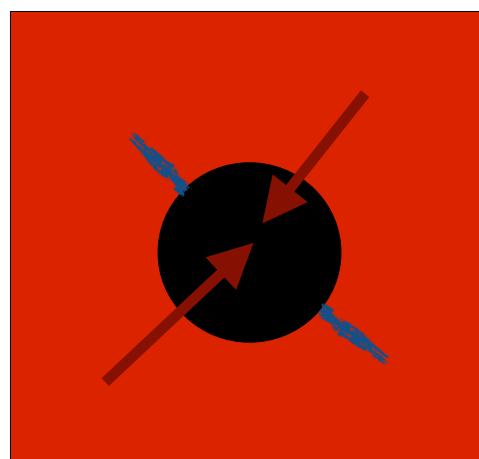
## Weakly interacting massive particles and neutron stars

Itzhak Goldman and Shmuel Nussinov

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(Received 21 April 1989)

Neutron stars are used to set constraints on the characteristics of weakly interacting massive particles (WIMP's) suggested as dark-matter candidates. Some special classes of WIMP's are ruled out because they would be trapped in neutron stars, concentrate towards the star center, and become self-gravitating. This results in the formation of a mini black hole that consumes the neutron star, transforming it into a black hole, on a time scale shorter than observed ages of neutron stars in various astrophysical systems.





1989 Goldman and Nussinov

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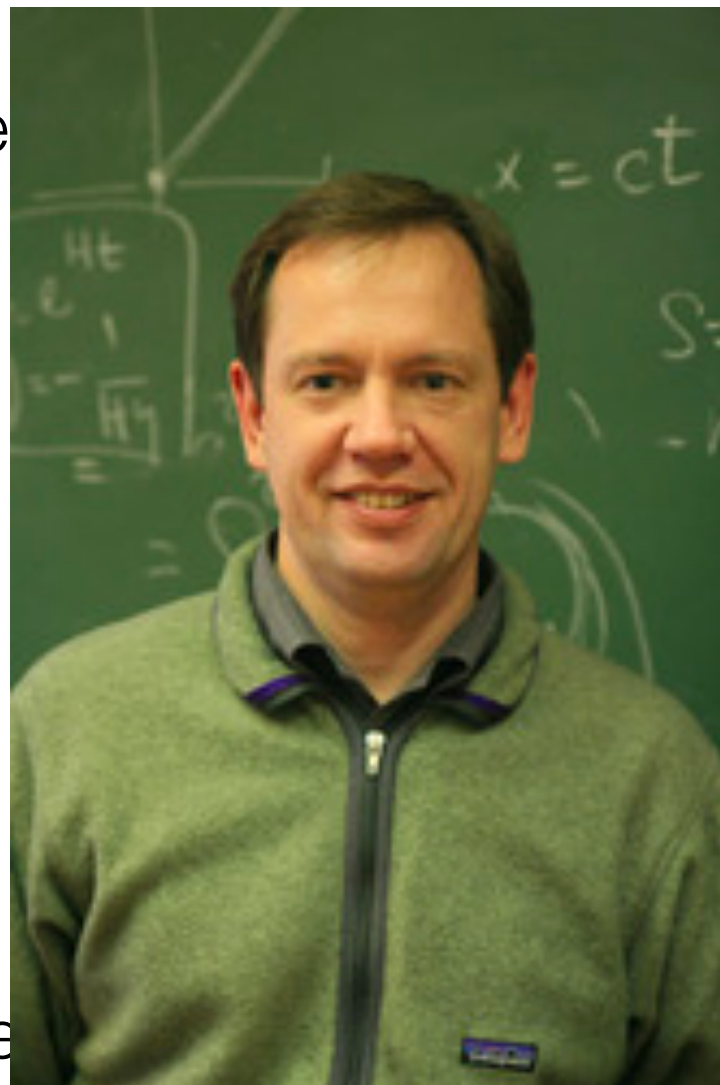
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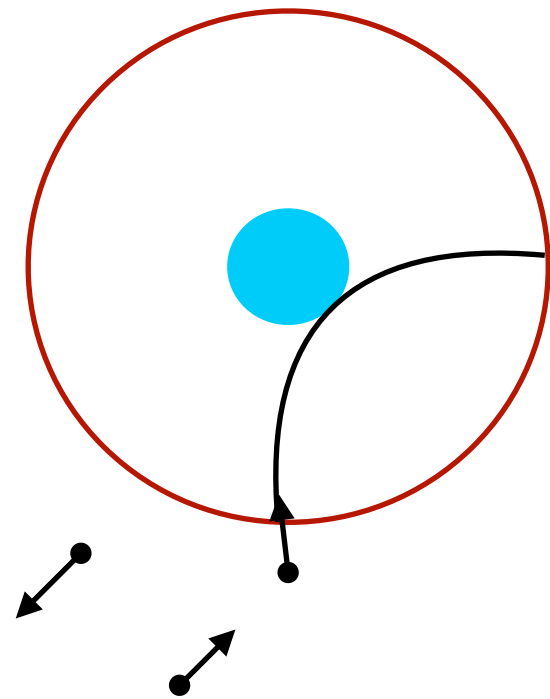
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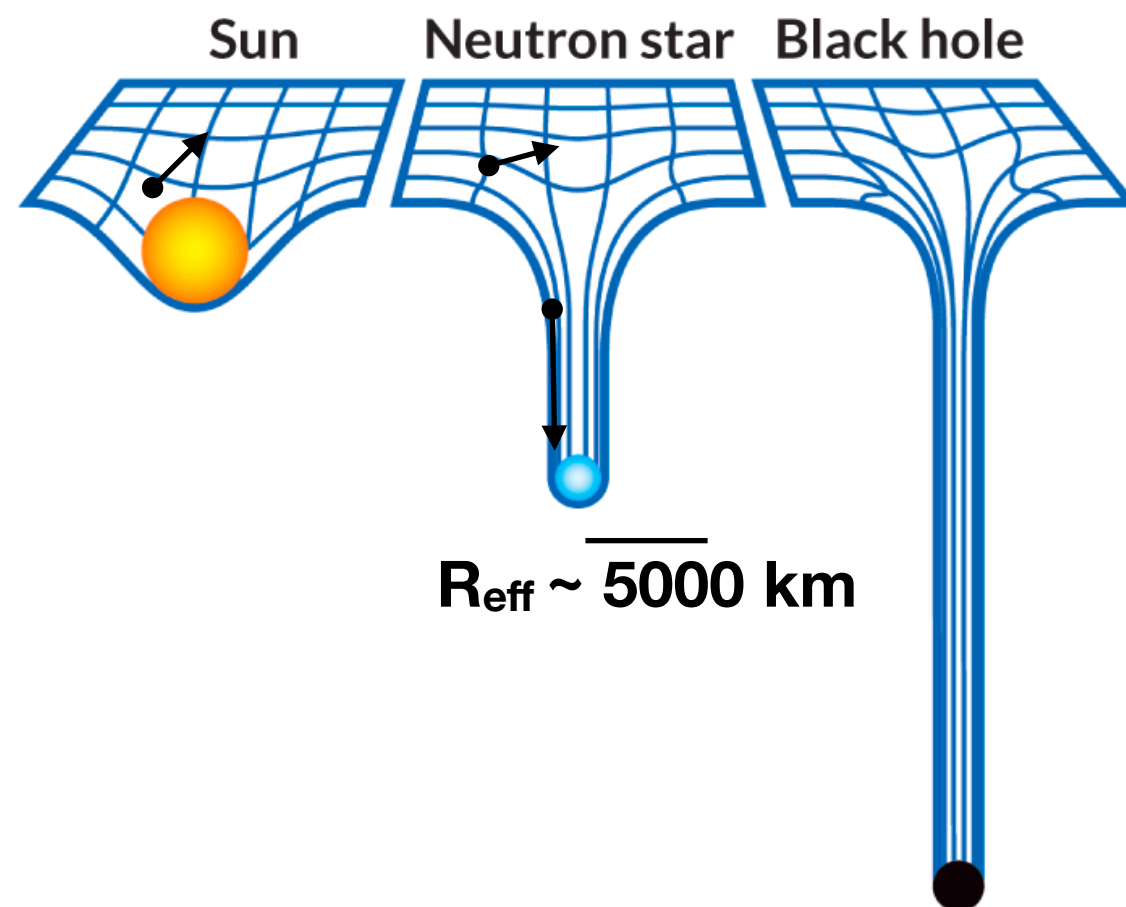
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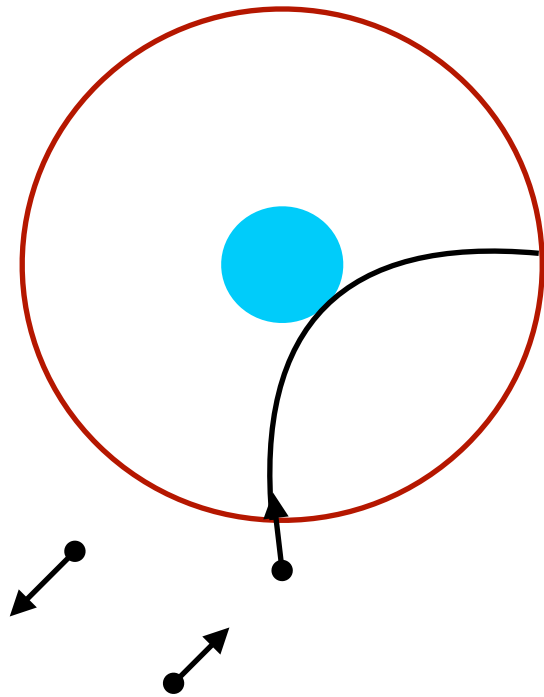


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Limit: saturation cross-section, total flux



$$\sigma_{sat} \sim \frac{\pi R_s^2}{N_n}$$



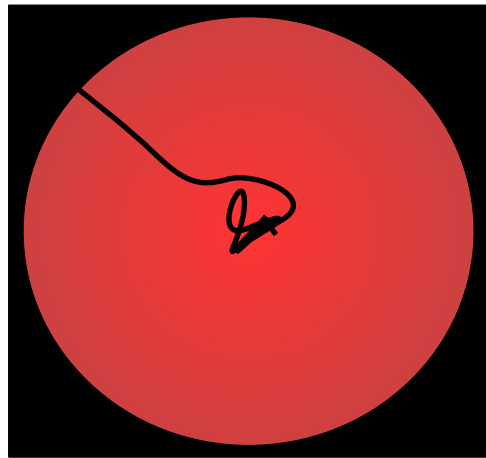
Total capture = (flux)(effective area)(fraction captured)

Neutron Star:  $\sim 10^{-15} M_{\odot}/\text{Gyr}$

White Dwarf:  $\sim 10^{-12} M_{\odot}/\text{Gyr}$

# Dark Matter Imploding Neutron Stars

1. DM captured



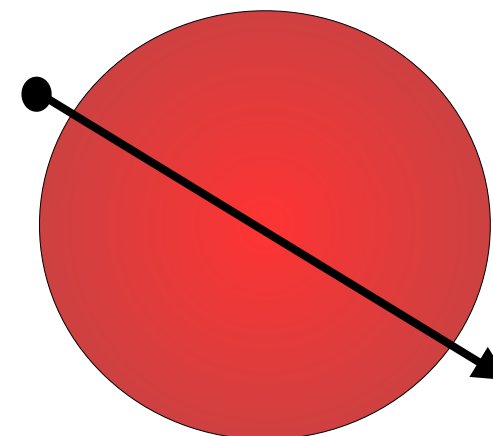
capture rate  $C_X \propto \frac{\rho_x \sigma_{nx}}{v_x}$

= DM density × DM-nucleon cross section  
**DM velocity**

→  $\sim 10^{-14}$  solar masses of dark matter  
 in 10 billion years (near solar position)

● →  
 **$v_x$  velocity**  
 **$\rho_x$  density**  
**in MW halo**

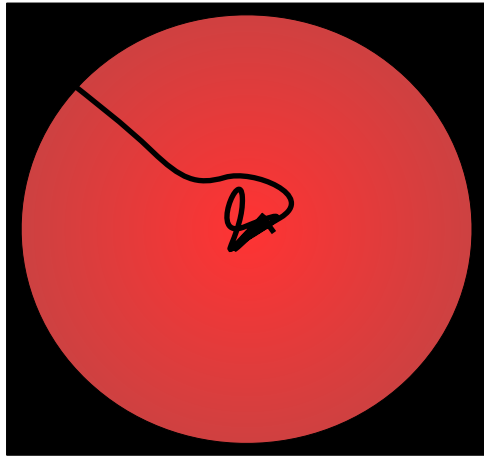
**DM pulled in**  
**by neutron**  
**star grav**  
**potential**



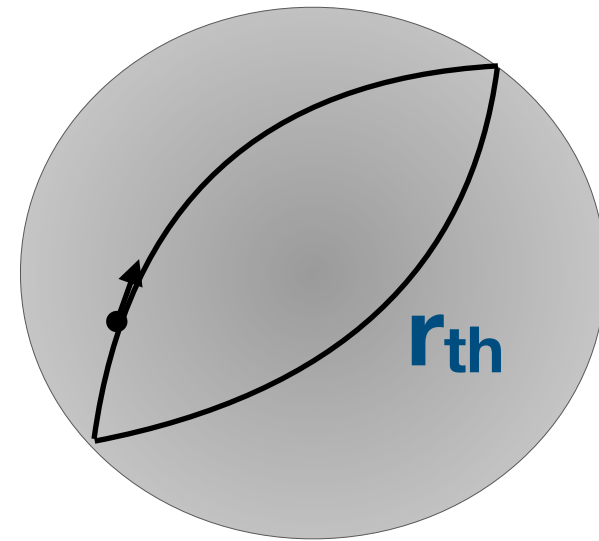
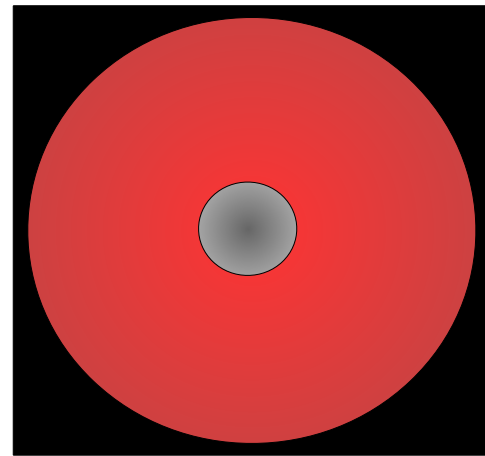
$\sigma_{nx}$   
**determines**  
**whether DM**  
**scatters,**  
**becomes**  
**grav bound**

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2. DM thermalizes



Harmonic oscillator potential

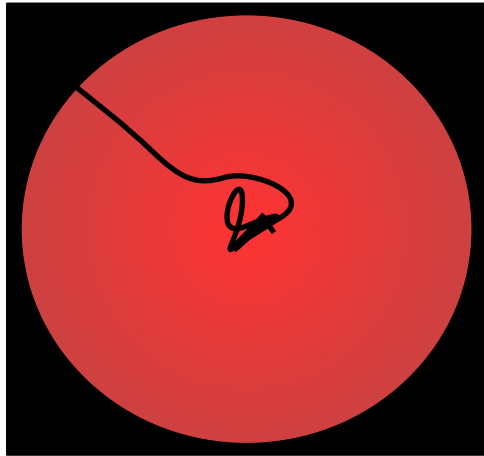
$$k_B T \sim G \rho_{wd} m_x r_{th}^2$$

Thermalization radius

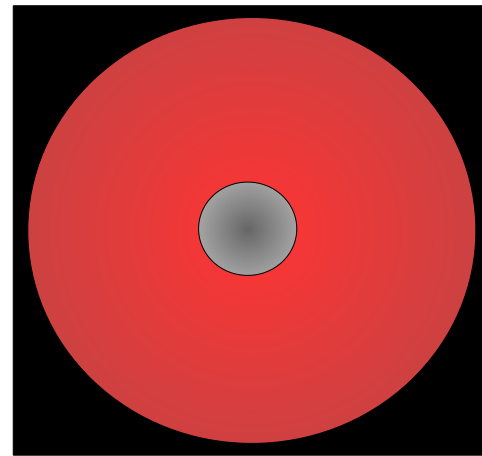
$$r_{th} \sim 1 \text{ millimeter} \sqrt{\frac{\text{PeV}}{m_x}} \sqrt{\frac{T_{ns}}{10^5 \text{ K}}}$$

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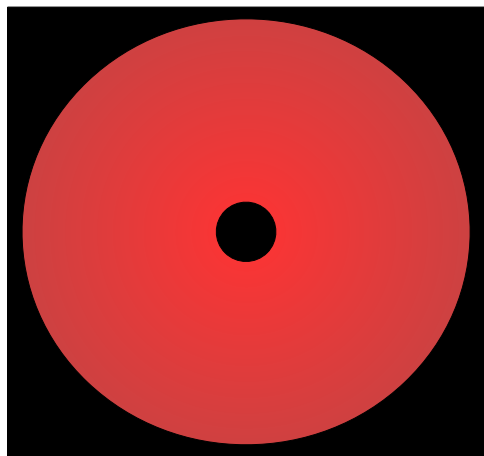
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3. DM collapses



DM will collapse to a black hole if it

1. Self-gravitates  $\rho_{DM} > \rho_{ns}$

2. Exceeds its own degeneracy pressure

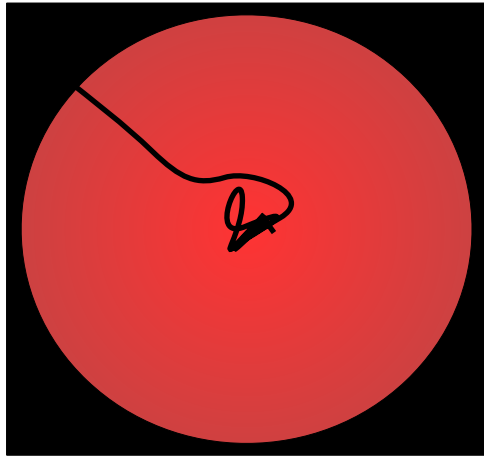
$$M_{crit}^{ferm} \simeq M_{pl}^3 / m_X^2$$

**$\sim 10^{-14}$  solar masses for PeV mass DM**

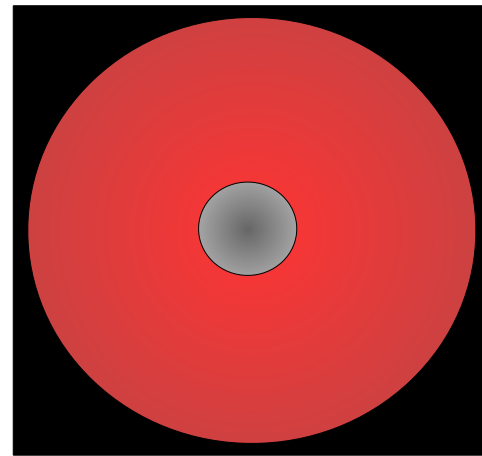


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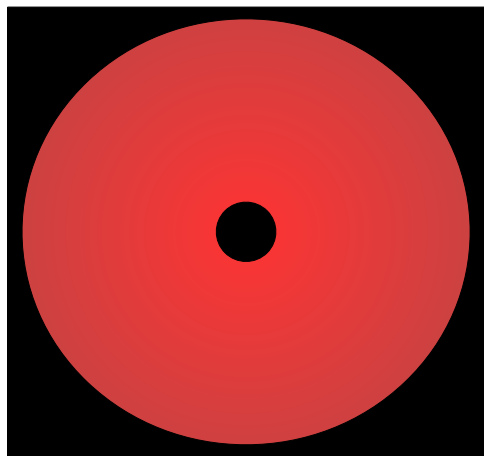
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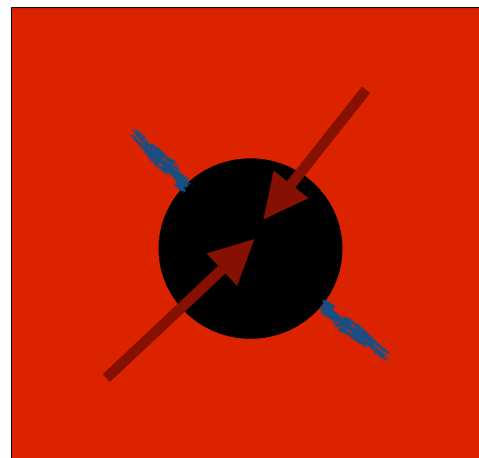
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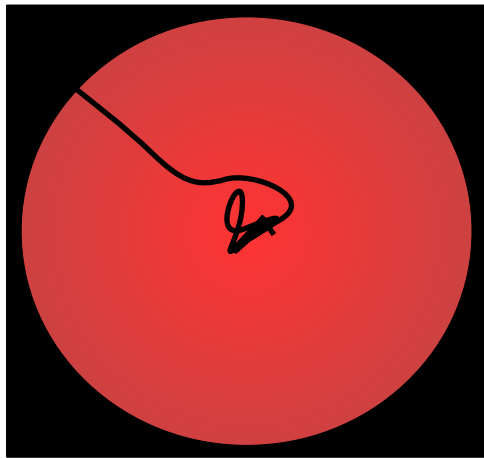
4. BH consumes neutron star



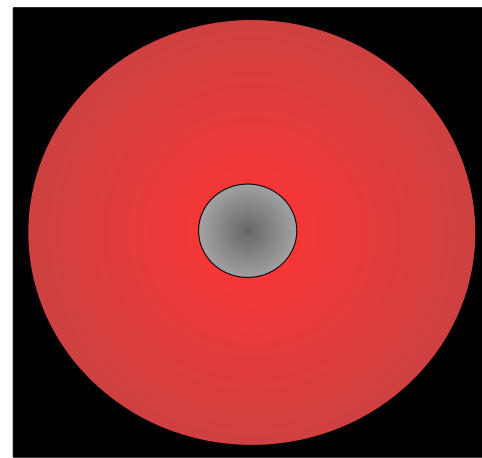
$$\frac{dM_{bh}}{dt} \approx \frac{4\pi\rho_{ns}(GM_{bh})^2}{v_s^3} - \frac{1}{15360\pi(GM_{bh})^2}$$

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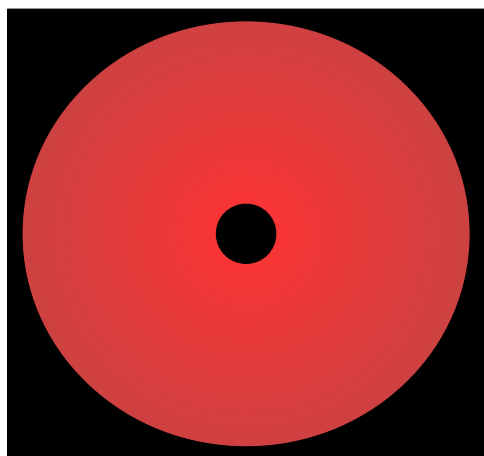
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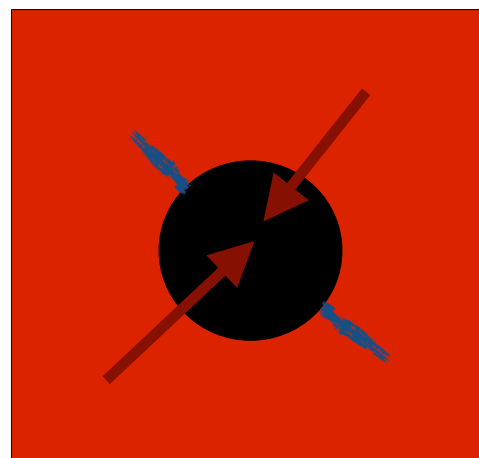
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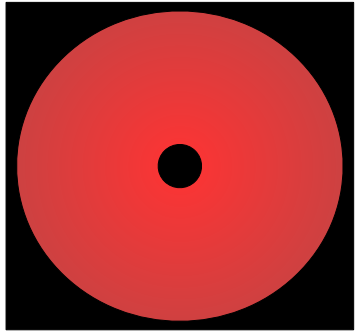
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5. Form solar mass BH



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# Dark matter that implodes neutron stars

X

~GeV mass, asymmetric dark fermions — degeneracy pressure stabilizes up to a solar mass of dark matter.

$m_X$

KeV-PeV

✓

Bosonic dark matter without repulsive self interactions — requires very small effective quartic ( $\lambda < 10^{-15}$ ).

.....

( $\lambda$  ✕)

Bosonic DM Constraints  
JB, Kumar, et al. 2013

PeV-EeV

✓

**Heavy** dark matter, fermionic or bosonic — fewer particles required for collapse.

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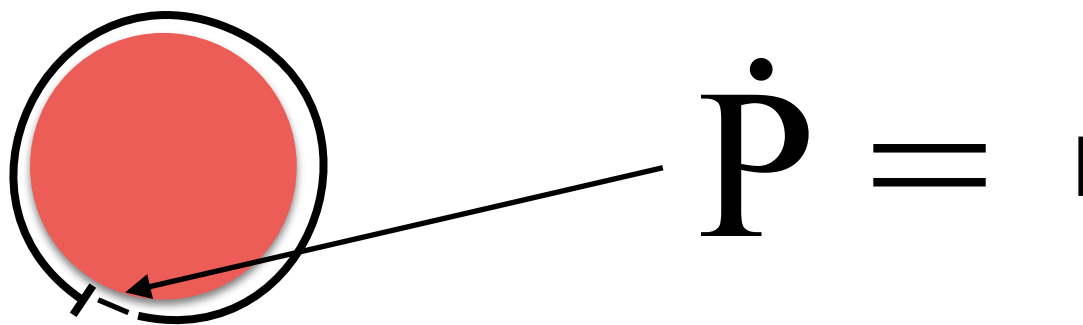
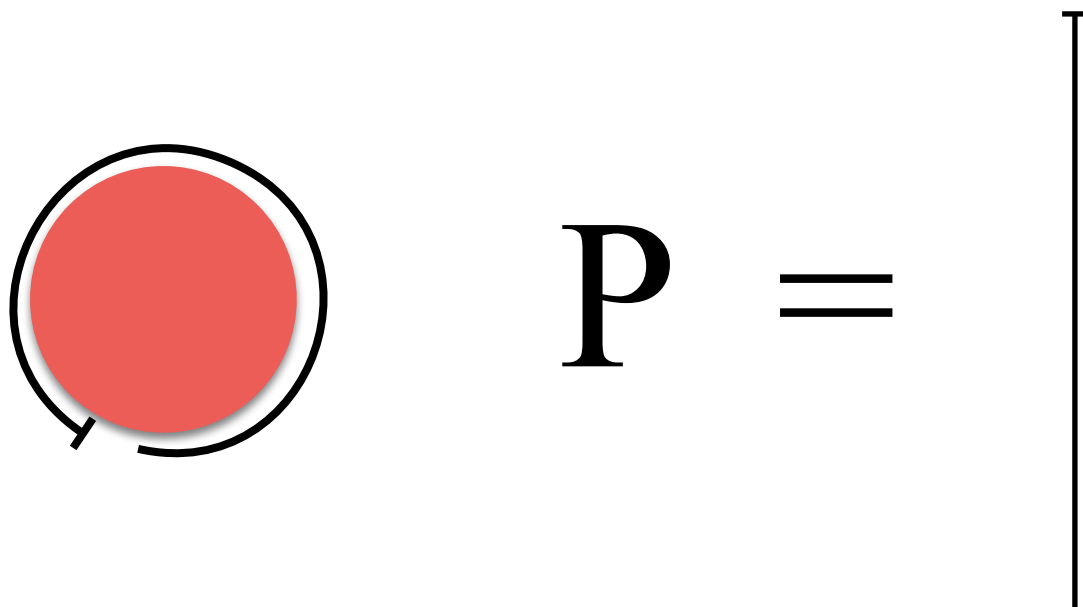
$$M_{crit}^{bos} \simeq \sqrt{\lambda} M_{pl}^3 / m_X^2$$



**BH for  $\sim 10^{-14}$  solar masses**

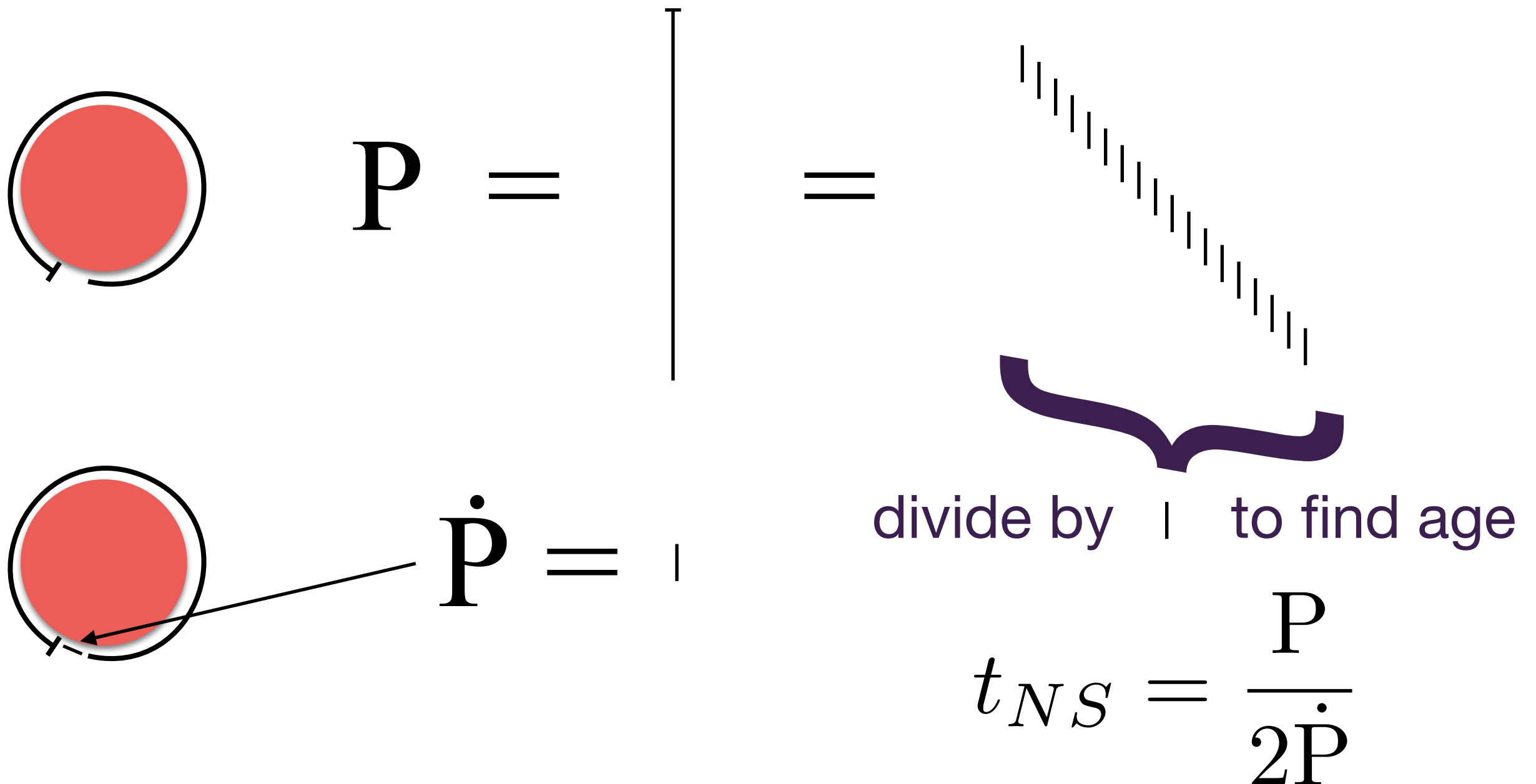
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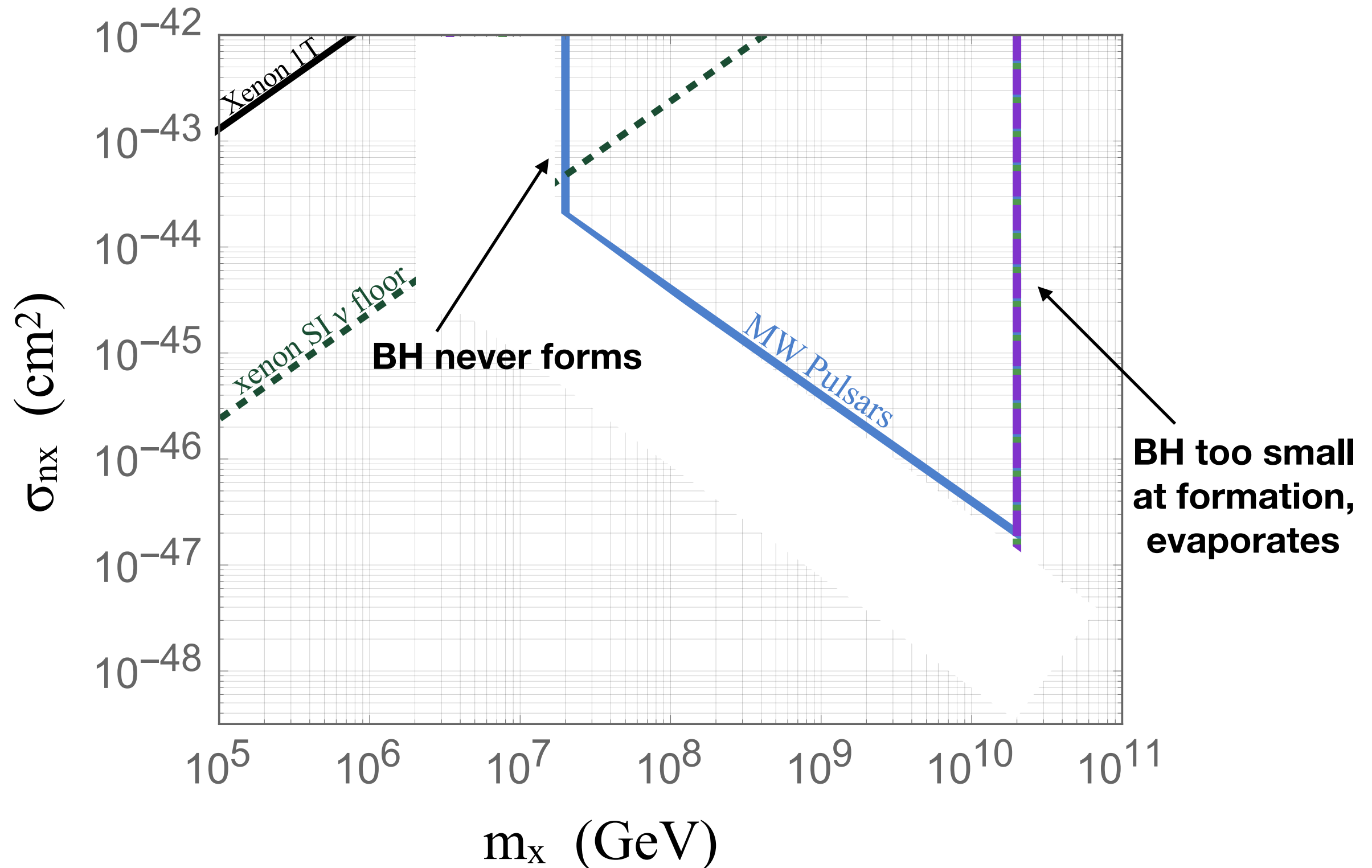


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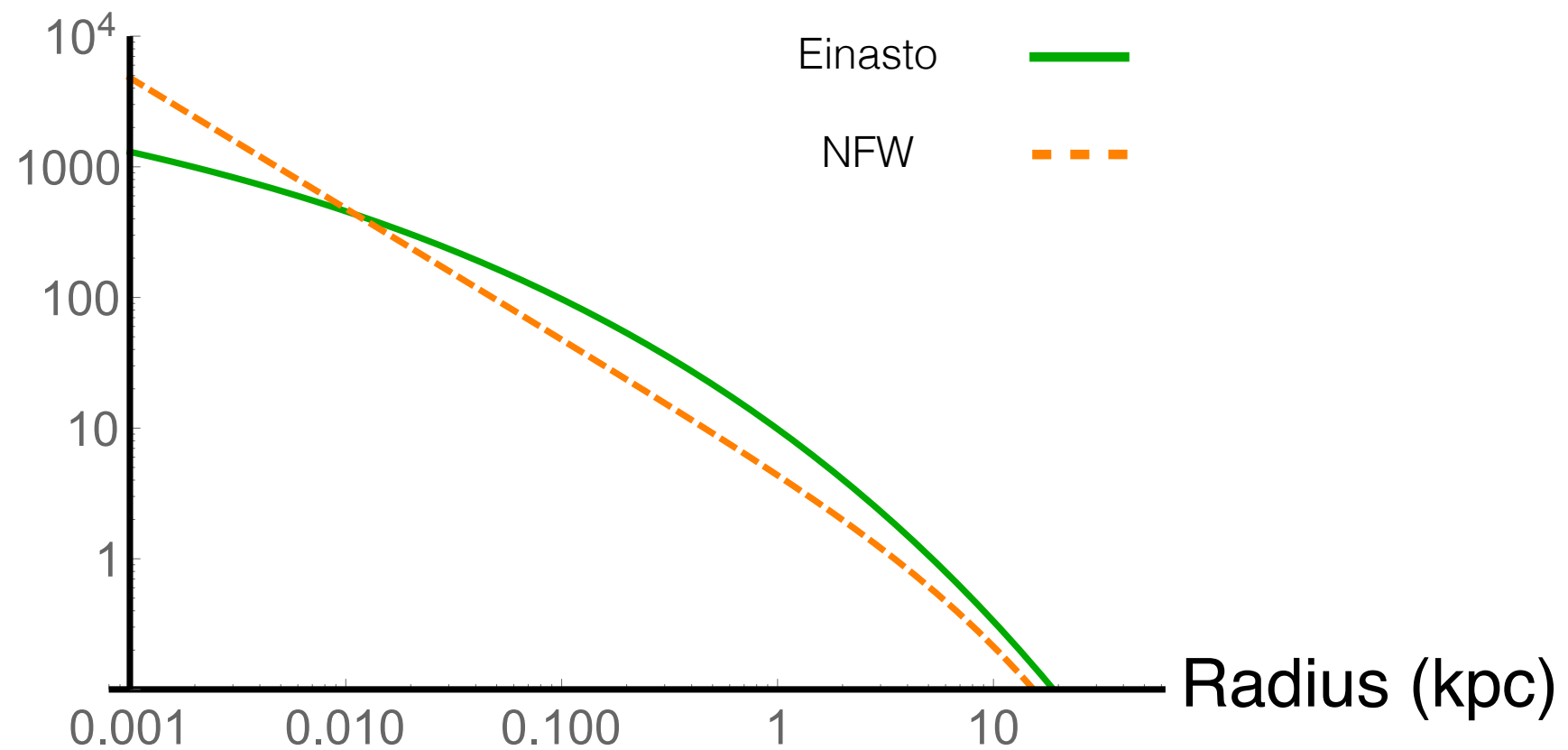


# Using an old pulsar in the Milky Way the best sensitivity so far



# Dark Matter Capture in MW

$\rho_x$  (GeV/cm<sup>3</sup>)



Dark Matter Halo Profiles

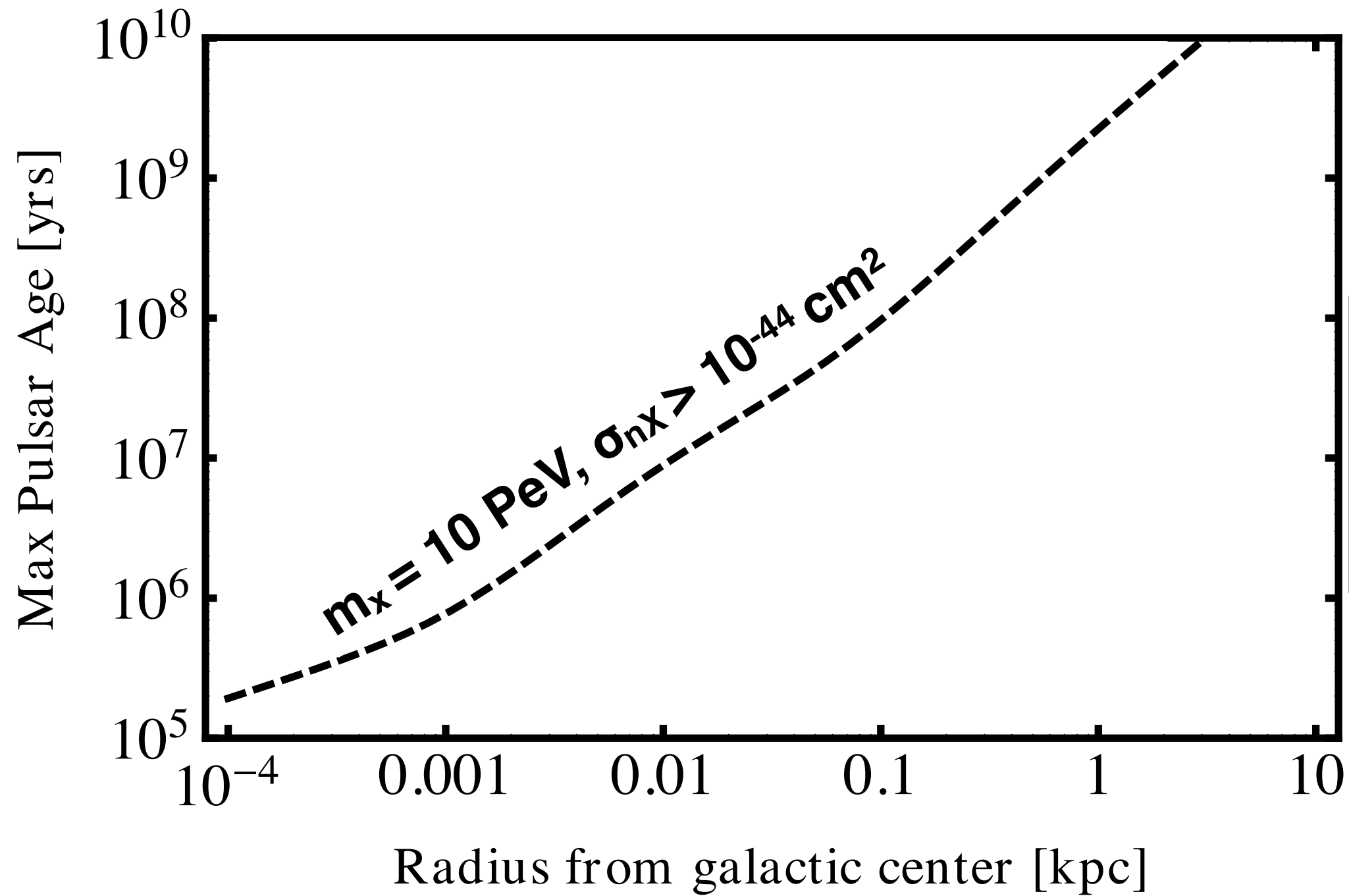
DM capture  
in Milky Way:

$$C_x \propto \frac{\rho_x}{v_x}$$

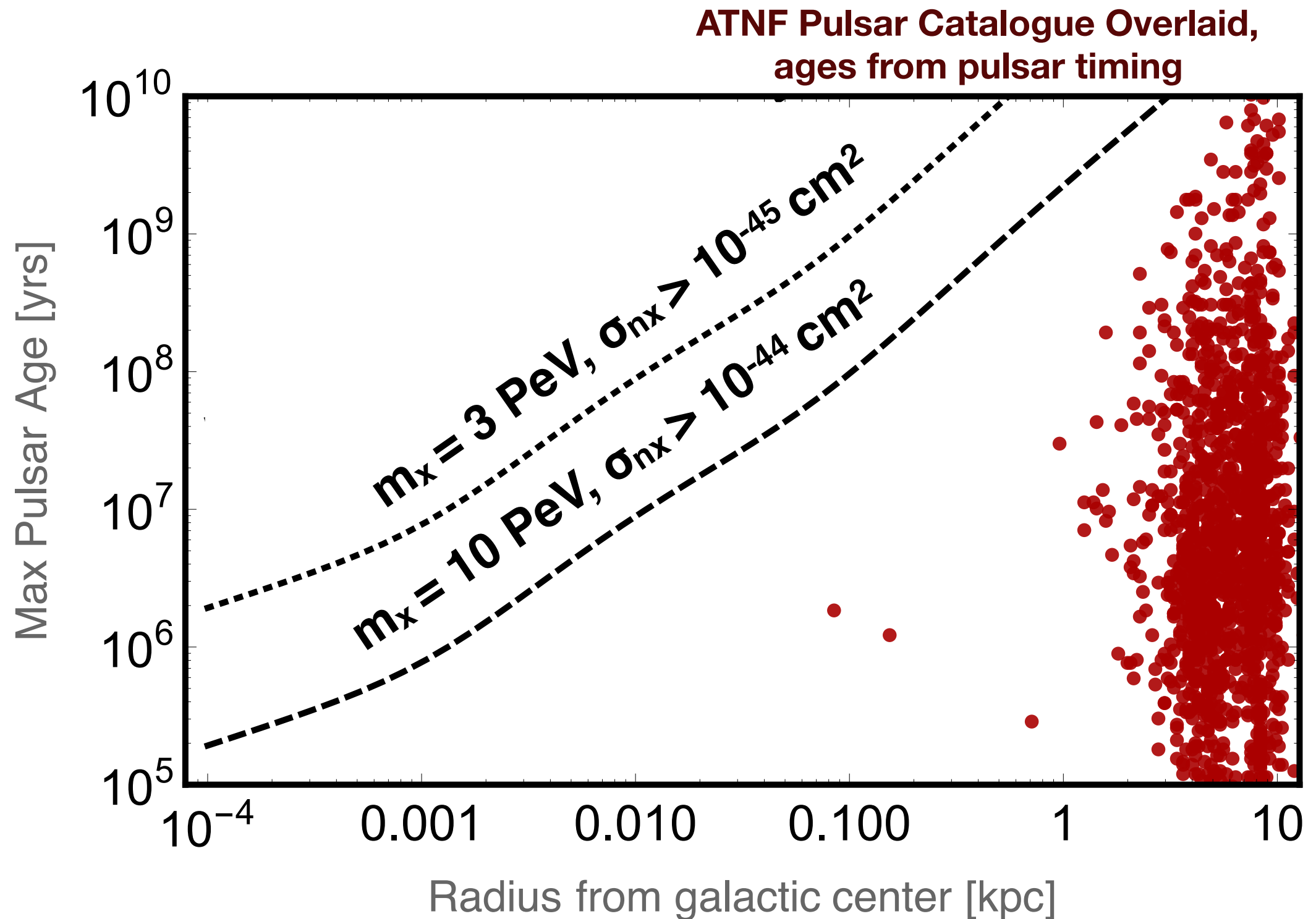
More dark matter captured in the center of galaxies  
→ so pulsar implosions occur there more rapidly.



# Dark Matter and Maximum Pulsar Age Curves



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**-Milky Way's 1-500 pc center surveyed  
in the next decade by FAST, SKA.**

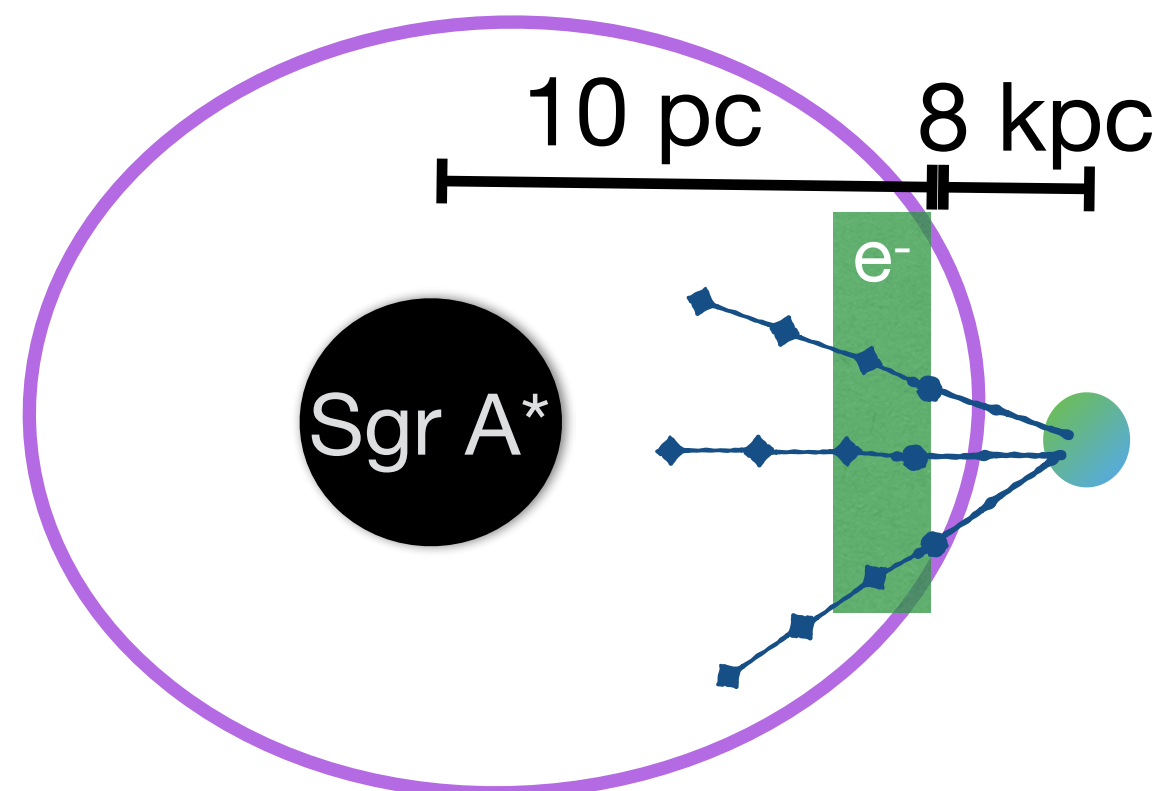
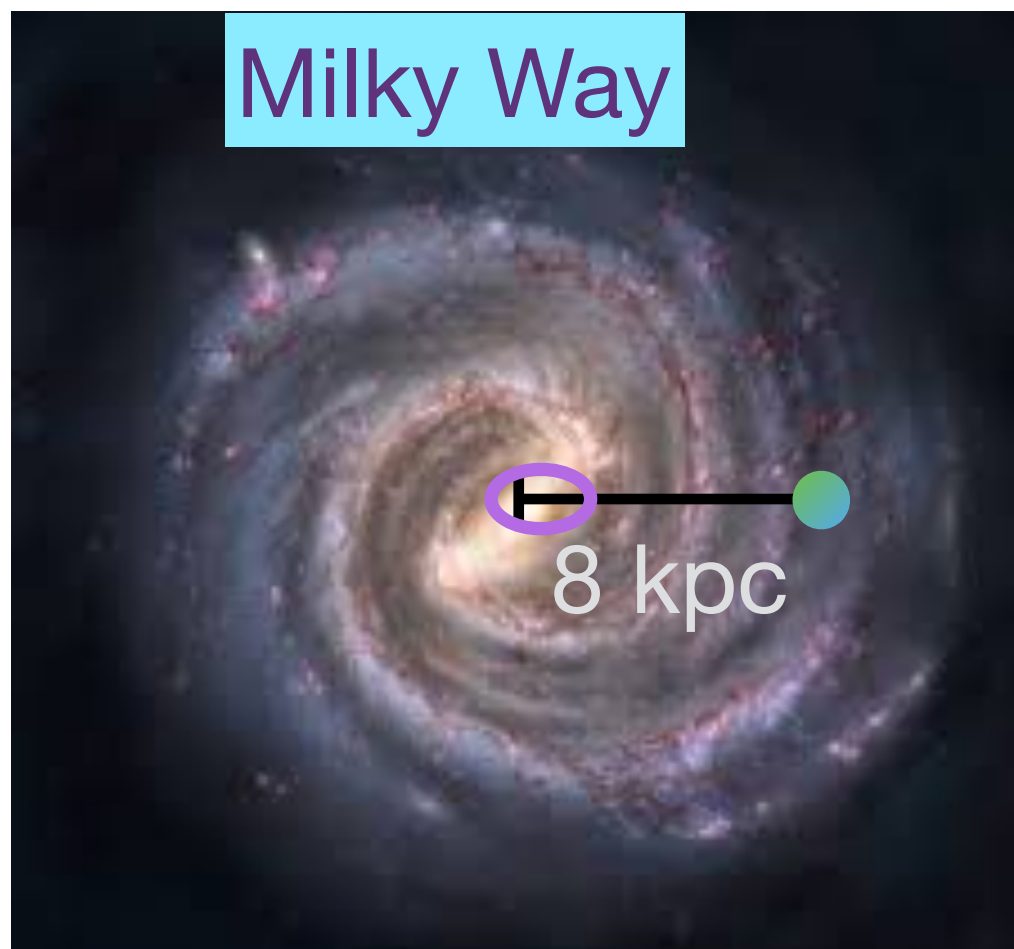
# The Missing Pulsar Problem

Many pulsars expected at galactic center

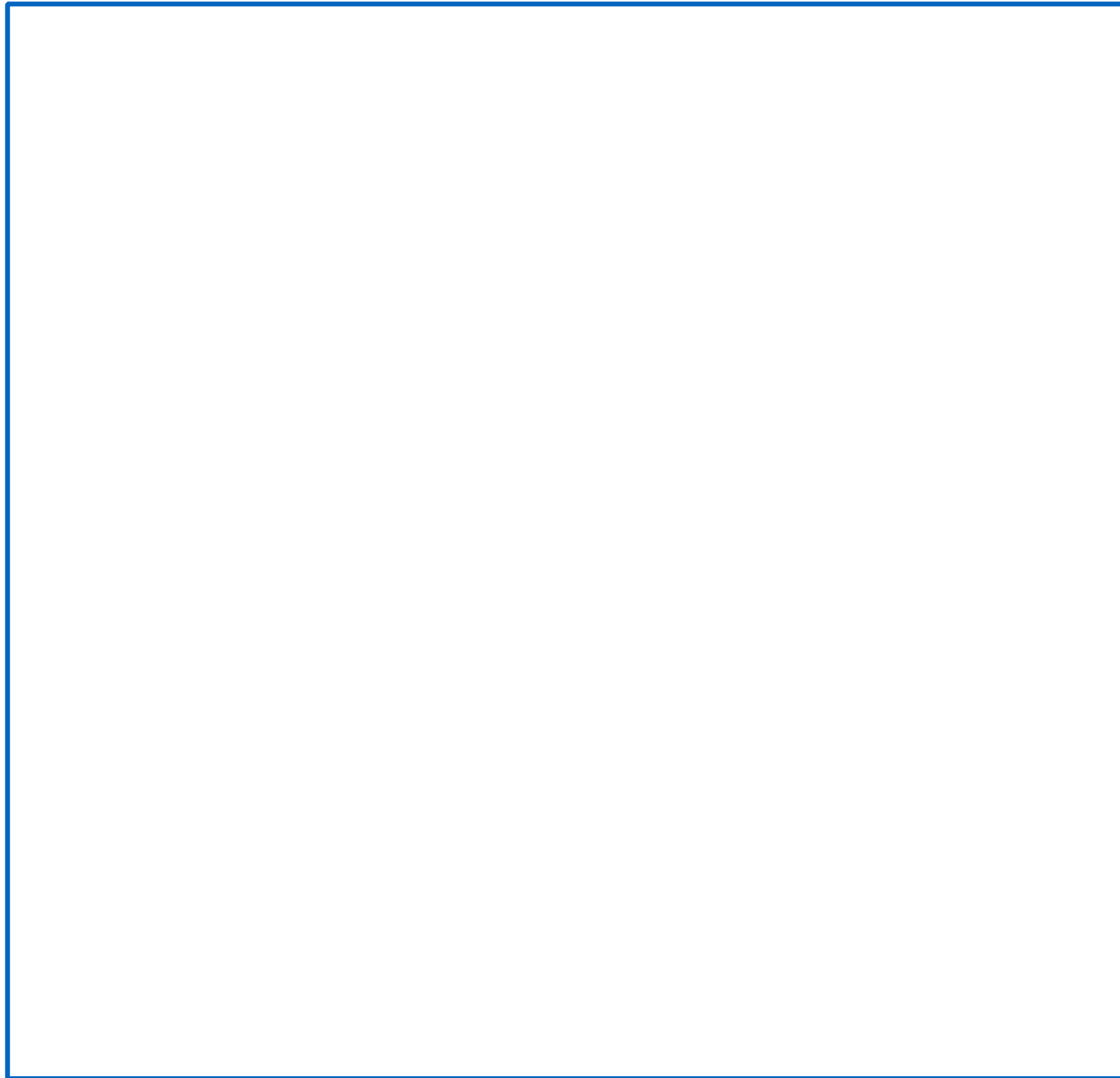
Up to 1000 visible pulsars expected in central parsecs

Only a few  $\sim 10^4$  year old magnetars found so far

Pulses broadened by electron scattering?



# Where are the galactic center pulsars?

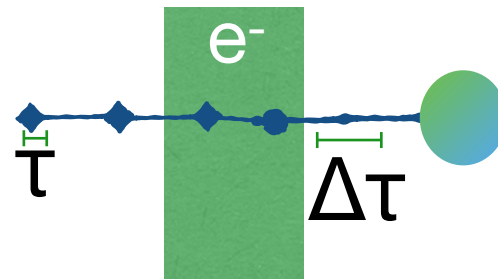


# Where are the galactic center pulsars?

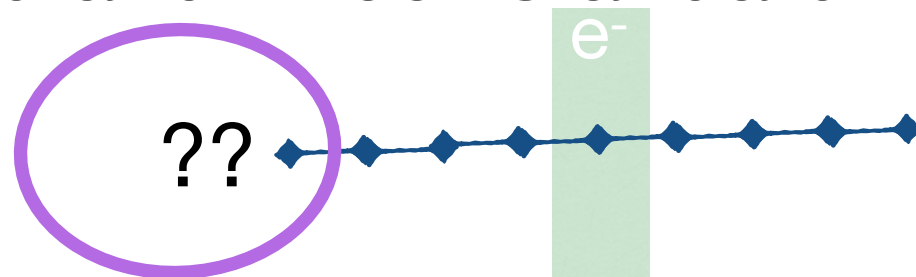
1. Temporal pulse broadening scales with the ~fourth power of observation frequency

$$\Delta\tau \sim 1 \text{ s} \left( \frac{\text{Ghz}}{\nu} \right)^2$$

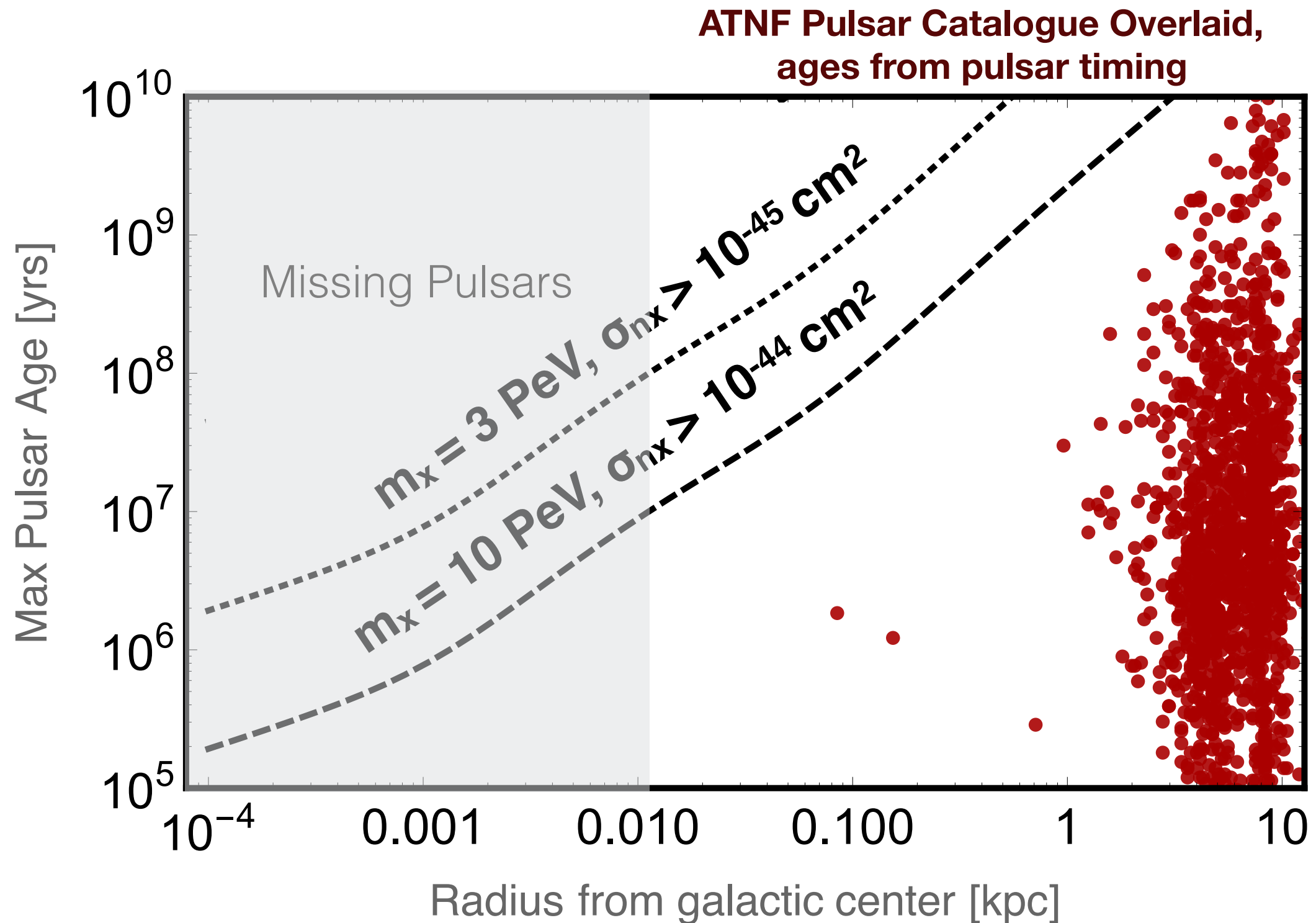
2. Magnetars ( $B \sim 10^{14}$  Gauss) found in the central parsec, allow for exact (multi-freq.) measurements of temporal pulse broadening from the galactic center



3. Based on these measurements, we should have already seen up to ~100 millisecond period and ~100 "standard" period pulsars



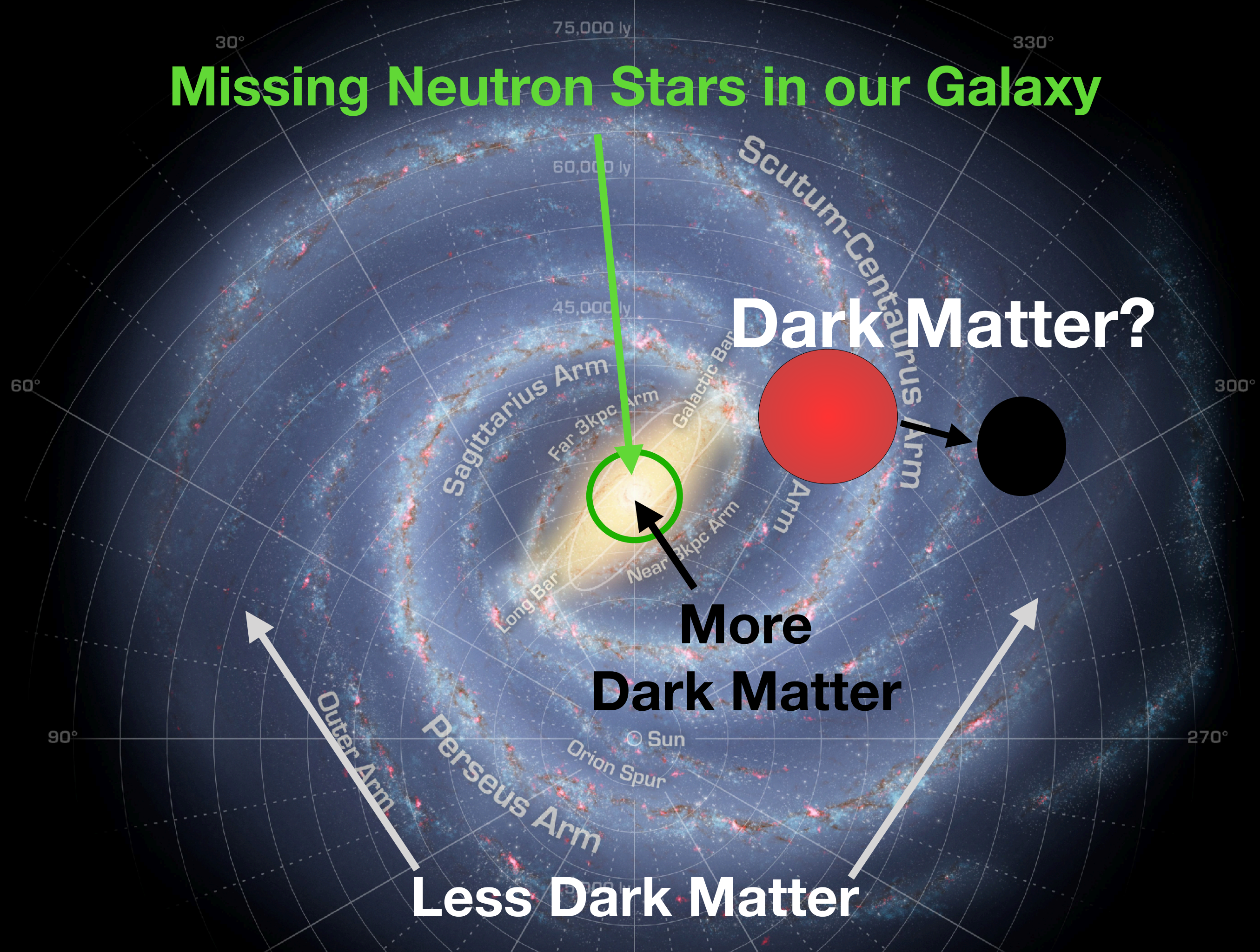
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# Missing Neutron Stars in our Galaxy



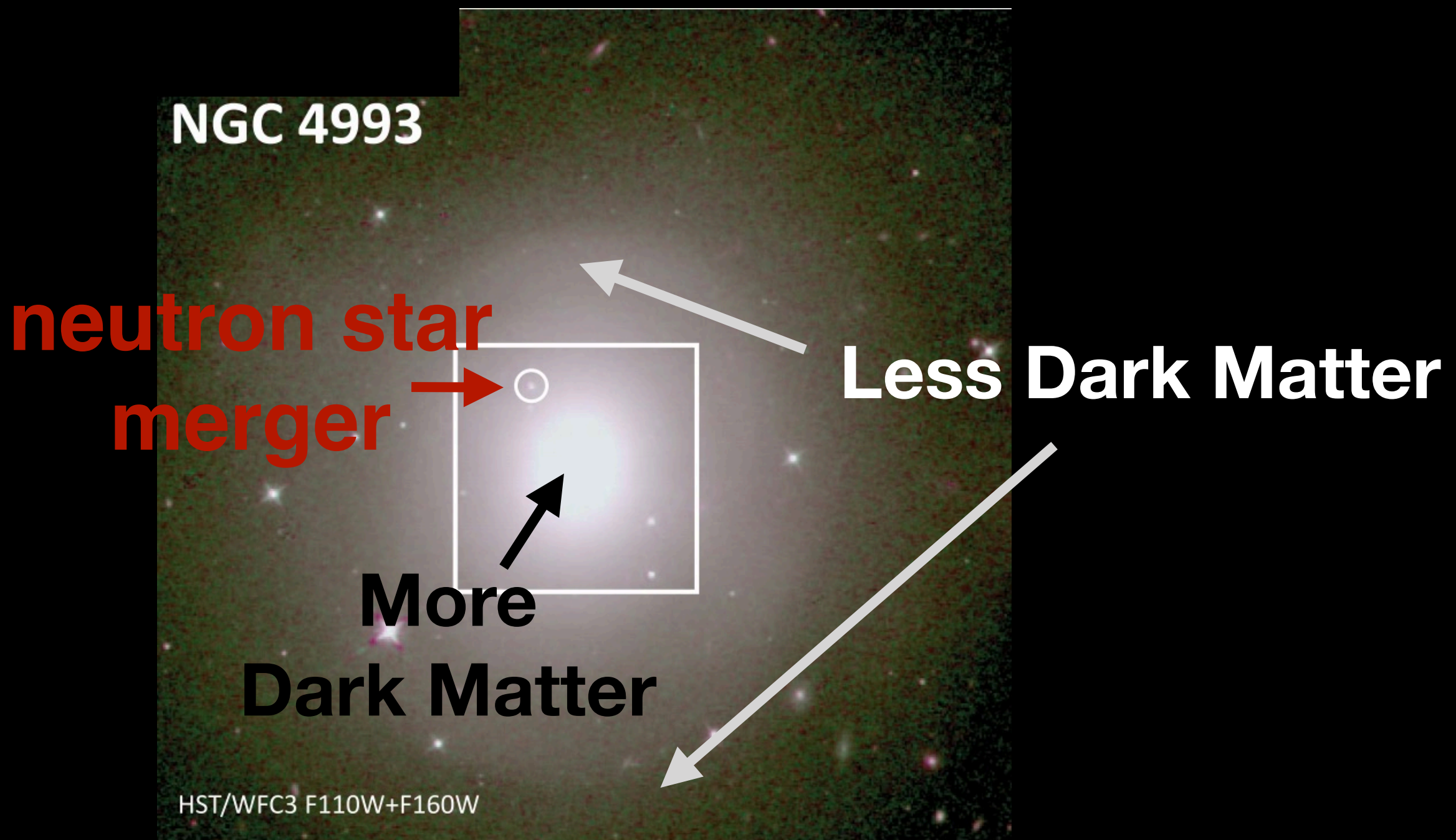


**Before observing a neutron star merger on August 18, 2017, we had only located neutron stars in our own galaxy.**

**With neutron star mergers we can hunt for dark matter in galaxies far far away.**



**We can now use the locations of neutron star mergers in other galaxies to hunt for neutron star imploding dark matter.**



GW170817

NGC 4993

neutron star  
merger



More

Dark Matter

Less Dark Matter

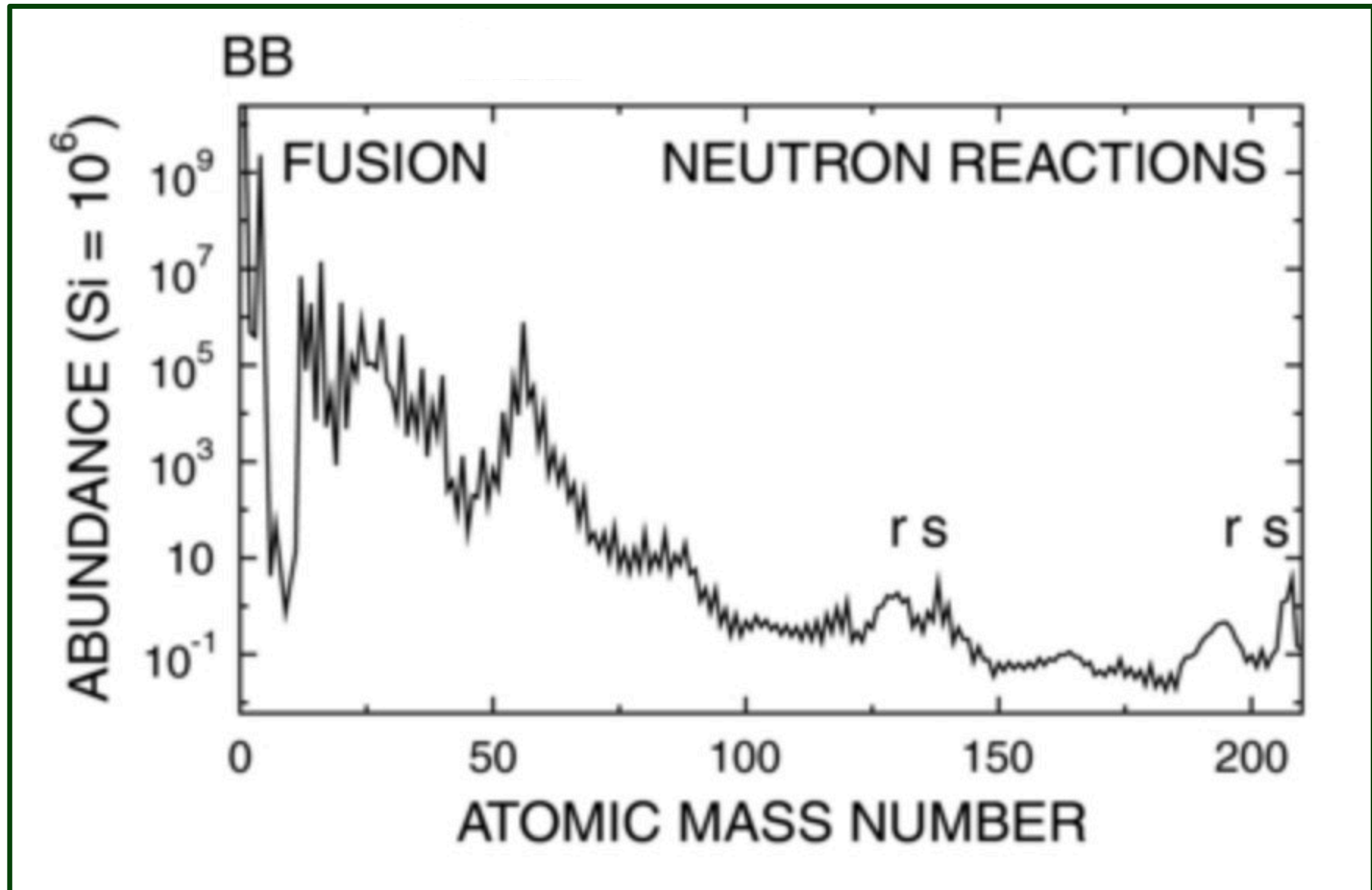
HST/WFC3 F110W+F160W

However:

- No neutron star age
- Have to seek DM with ingenuity or statistics

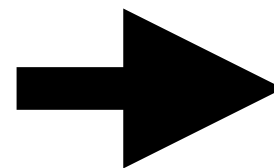
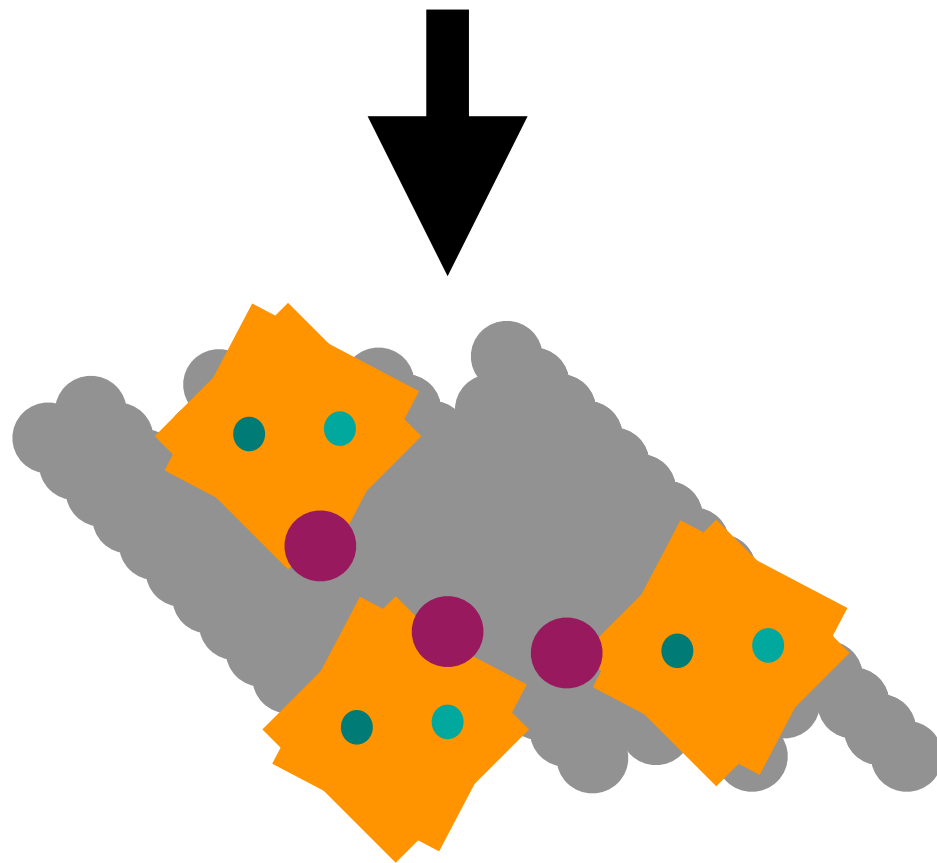
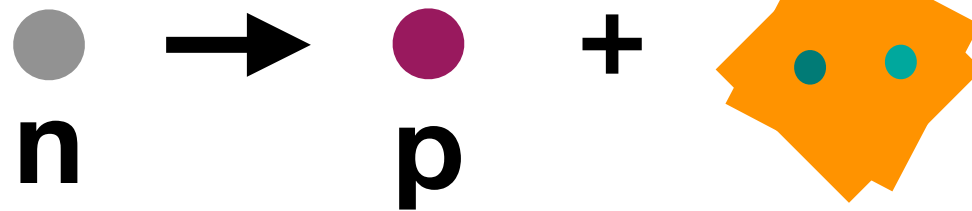
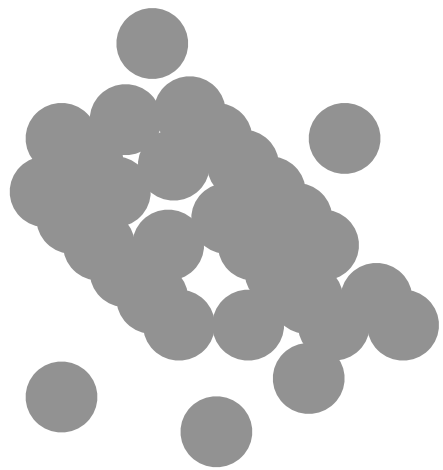


R-process elements: heavy elements with peak abundances at atomic masses 80, 130, and 195, formed in a hot environment rich in free neutrons.



# What makes gold? (elements near magic numbers)

Recipe: lots of neutrons, very hot ( $10^9$  K)

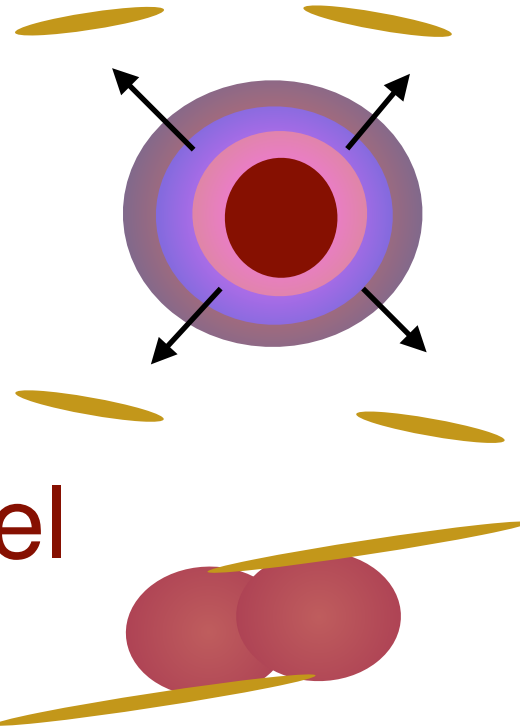


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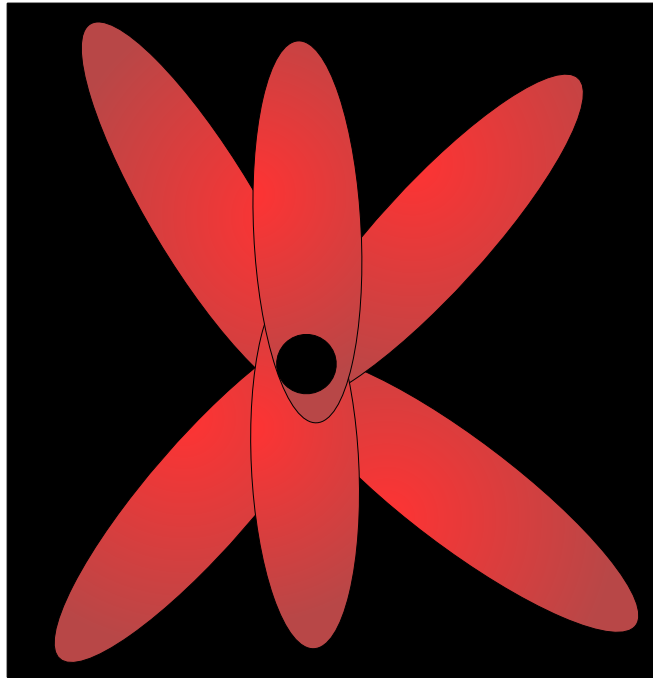
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# R-process elements from dark matter induced NS implosions



$$R_{\text{Roche}} \simeq 20 \left( \frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^{-10} M_{\odot}} \right)^{1/3} \left( \frac{10^{14} \text{ g cm}^{-3}}{\rho_{\text{NS}}} \right)^{1/3} \text{ m}$$

Neutron star implodes into a small black hole.

Enough potential energy to eject up to ~msol fluid.

"Tube of toothpaste" effect ejects neutron star fluid.

Same timescale as NS-NS, BH-NS mergers ~ 1 ms.

See also: forthcoming numerical GR  
simulations from Perimeter colleagues

JB, Linden 2016



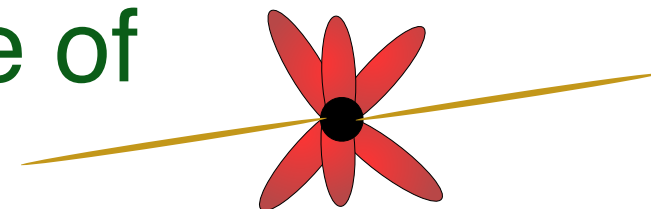
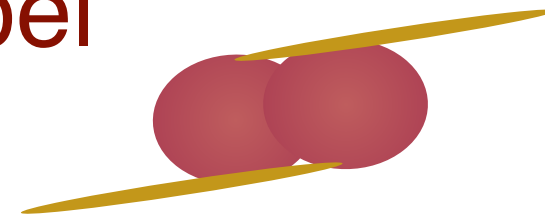
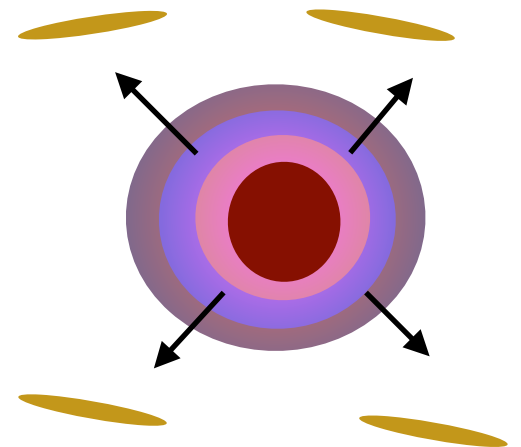
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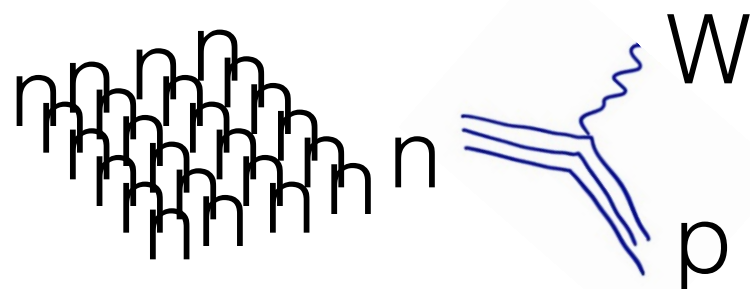
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-Neutron star slurped into a black hole made of dark matter at its core.



implosion  
tidally spurts  
neutron fluid

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forms heavy neutron-rich elements.

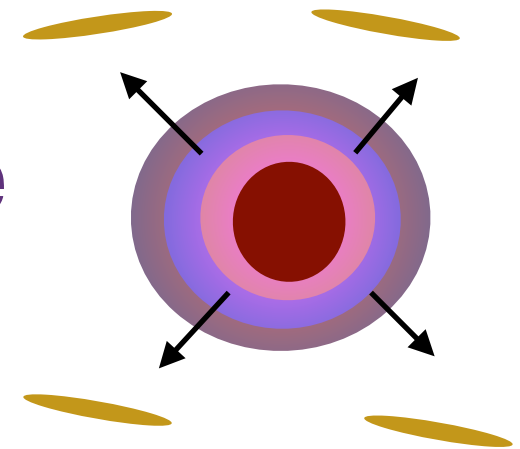


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Europium, Barium...

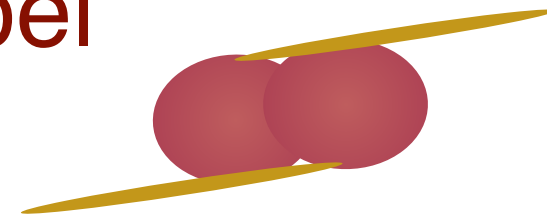
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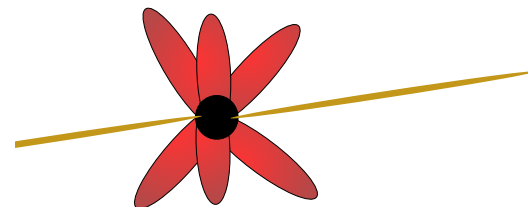
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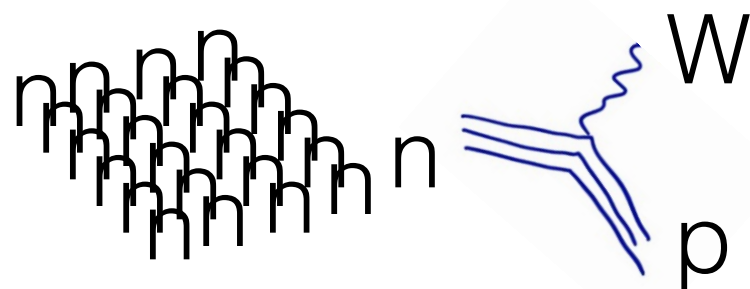


-Neutron **Self-Detecting Dark Matter**  
dark mat (**Ge, Xe, Ar are r-process elements**)



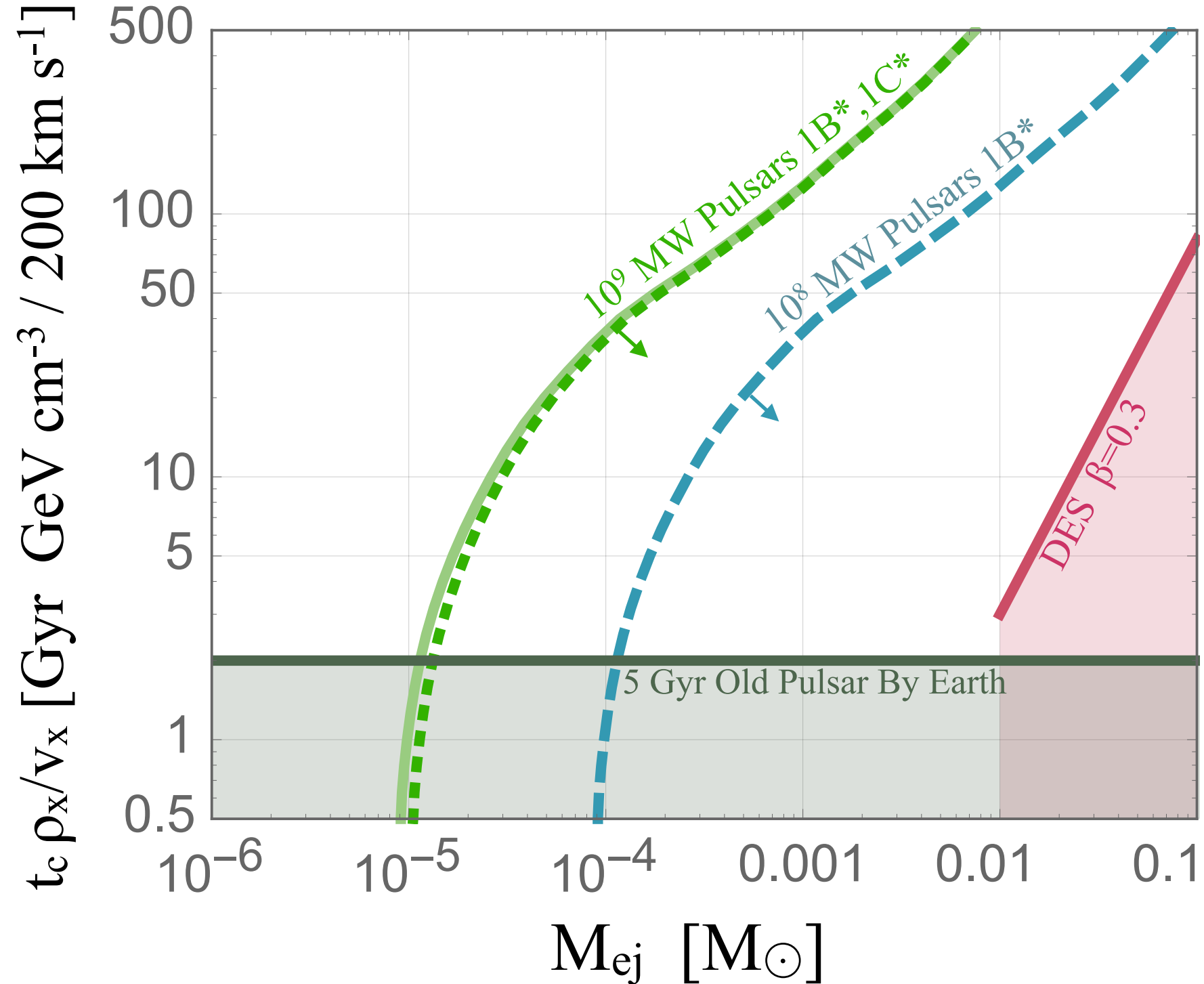
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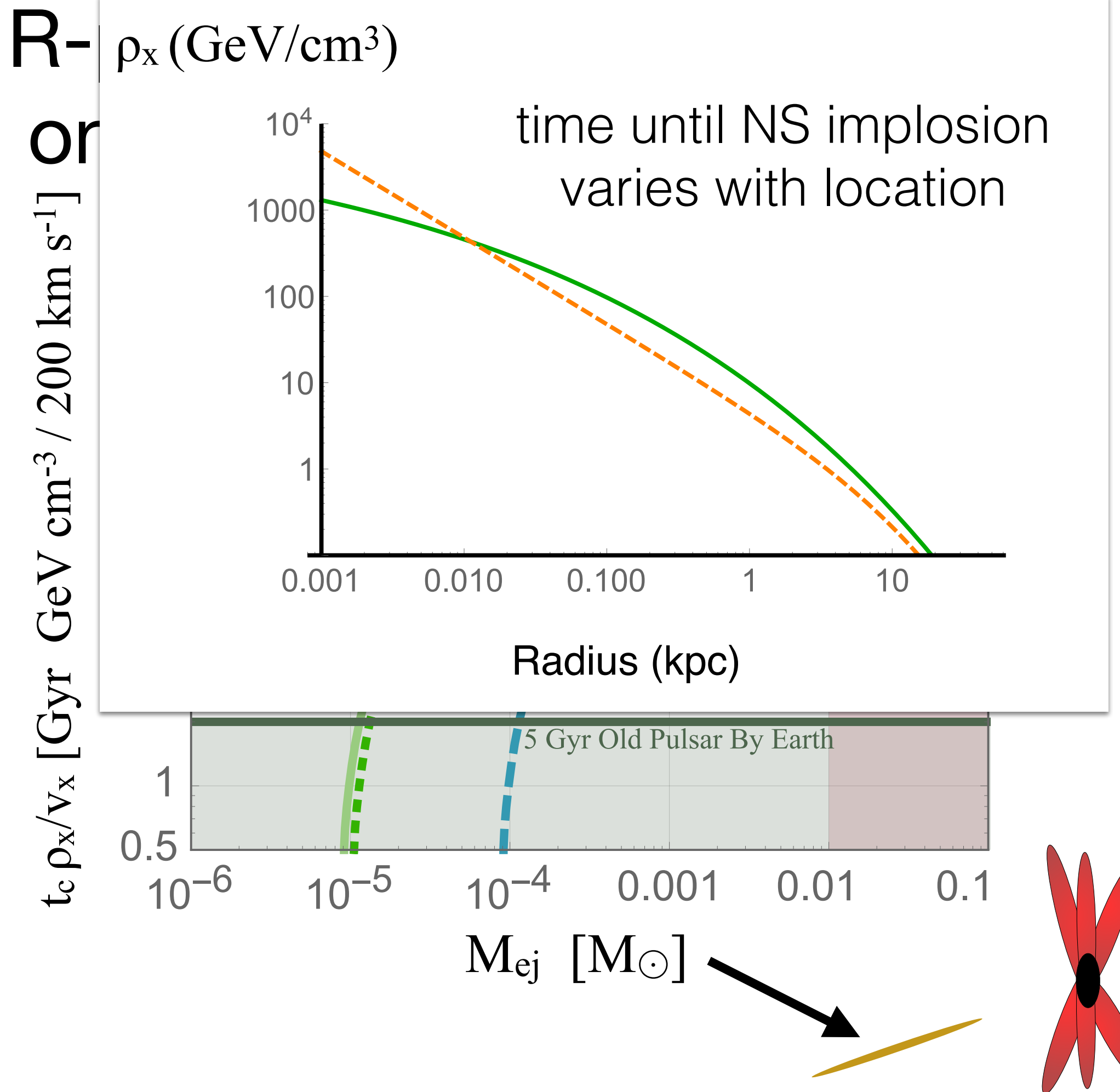
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# R-process and DES Bounds on NS Implosion Kilonovae

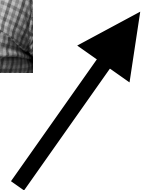




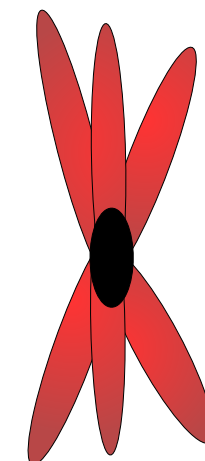
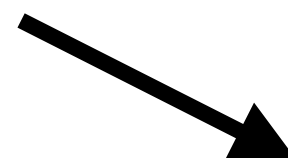
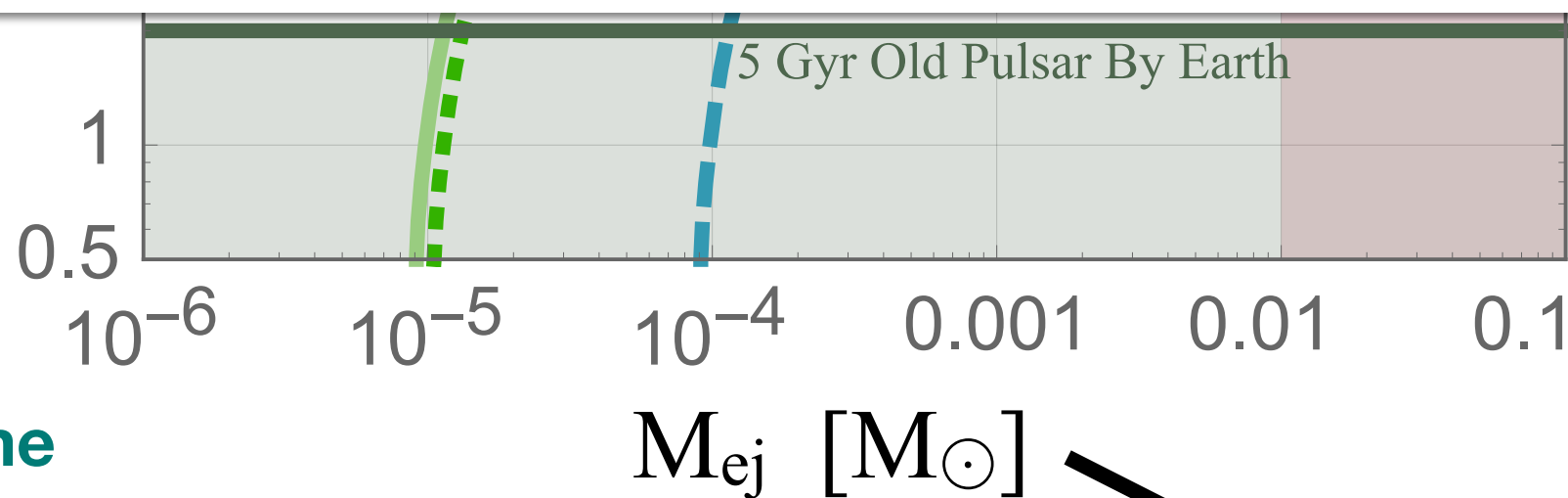
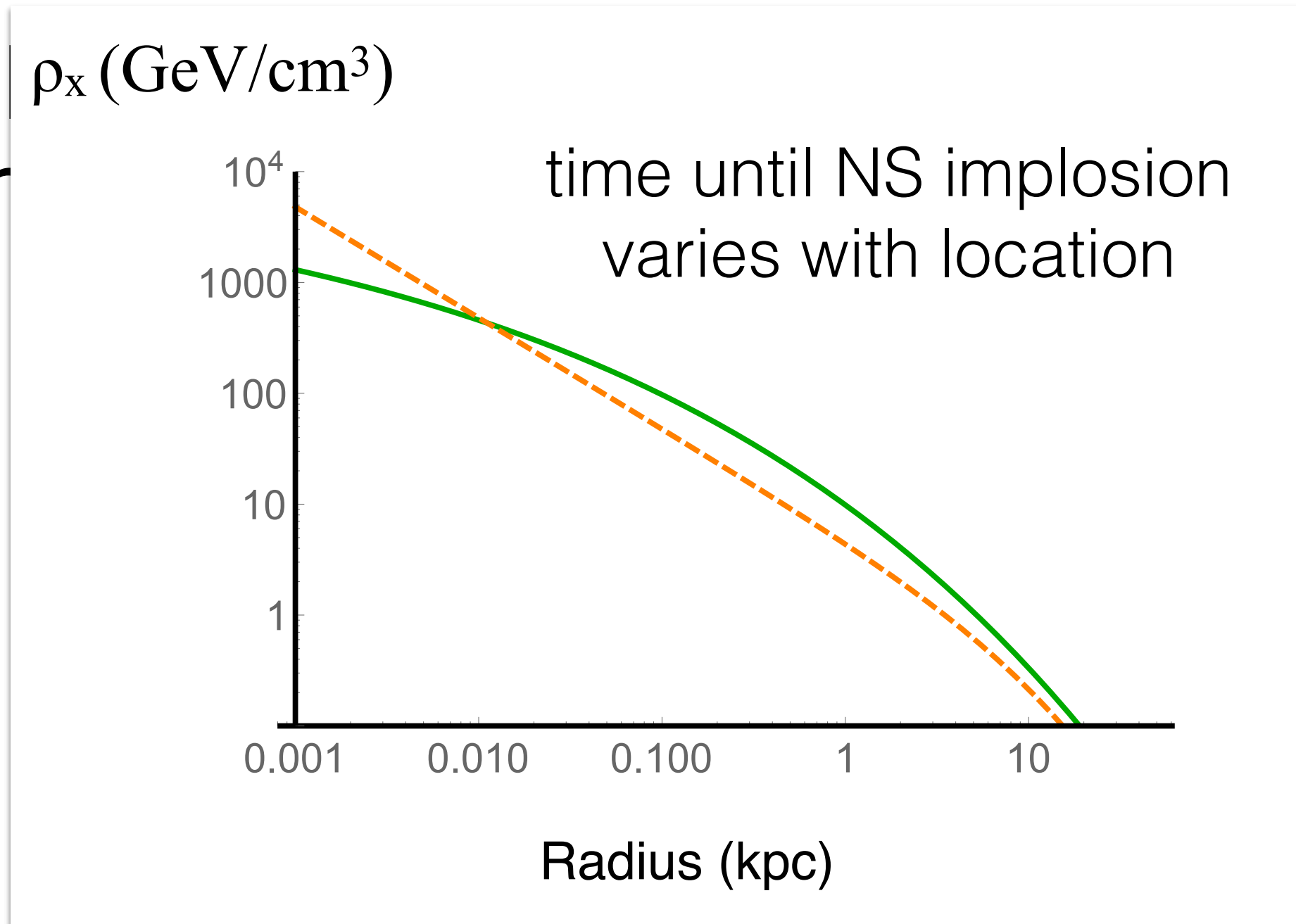
$R - \rho_x \text{ (GeV/cm}^3\text{)}$

Or

$t_c \rho_x / v_x \text{ [Gyr GeV cm}^{-3} / 200 \text{ km s}^{-1}\text{]}$

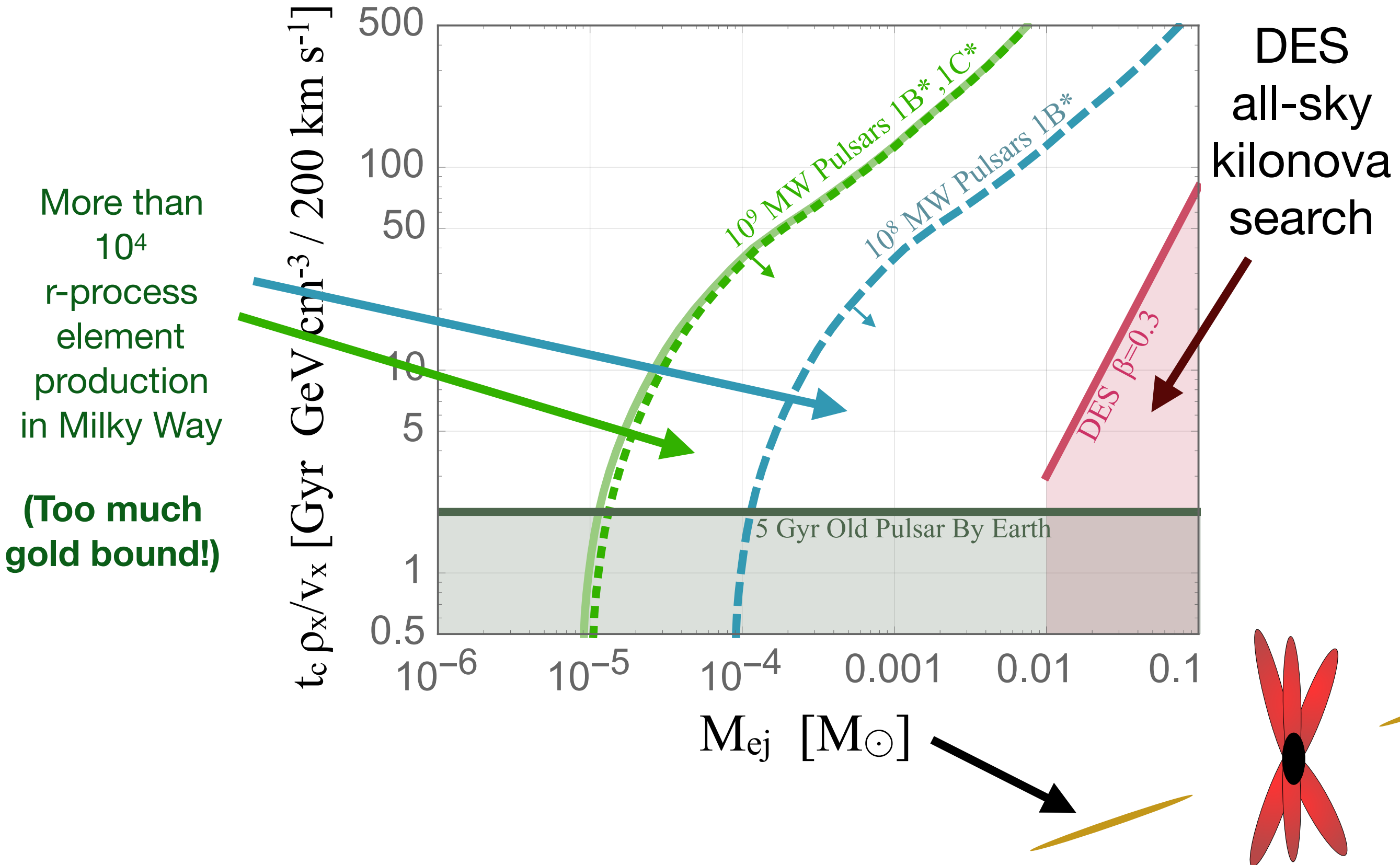


**normalized time  
until NS implosion  
for GeV/cm<sup>3</sup> (one Kouvaris)**



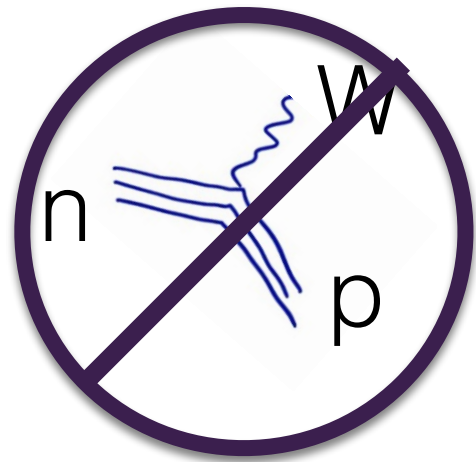


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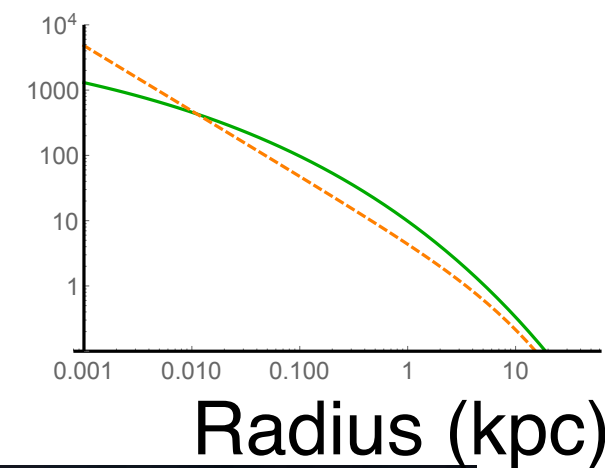
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Gravity Waves  
From LMBH mergers

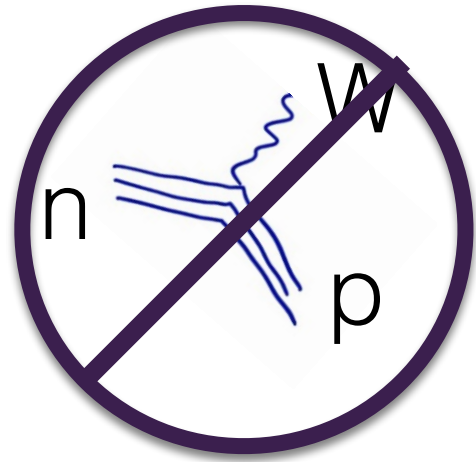
Black merger: no kilonova accompanies  
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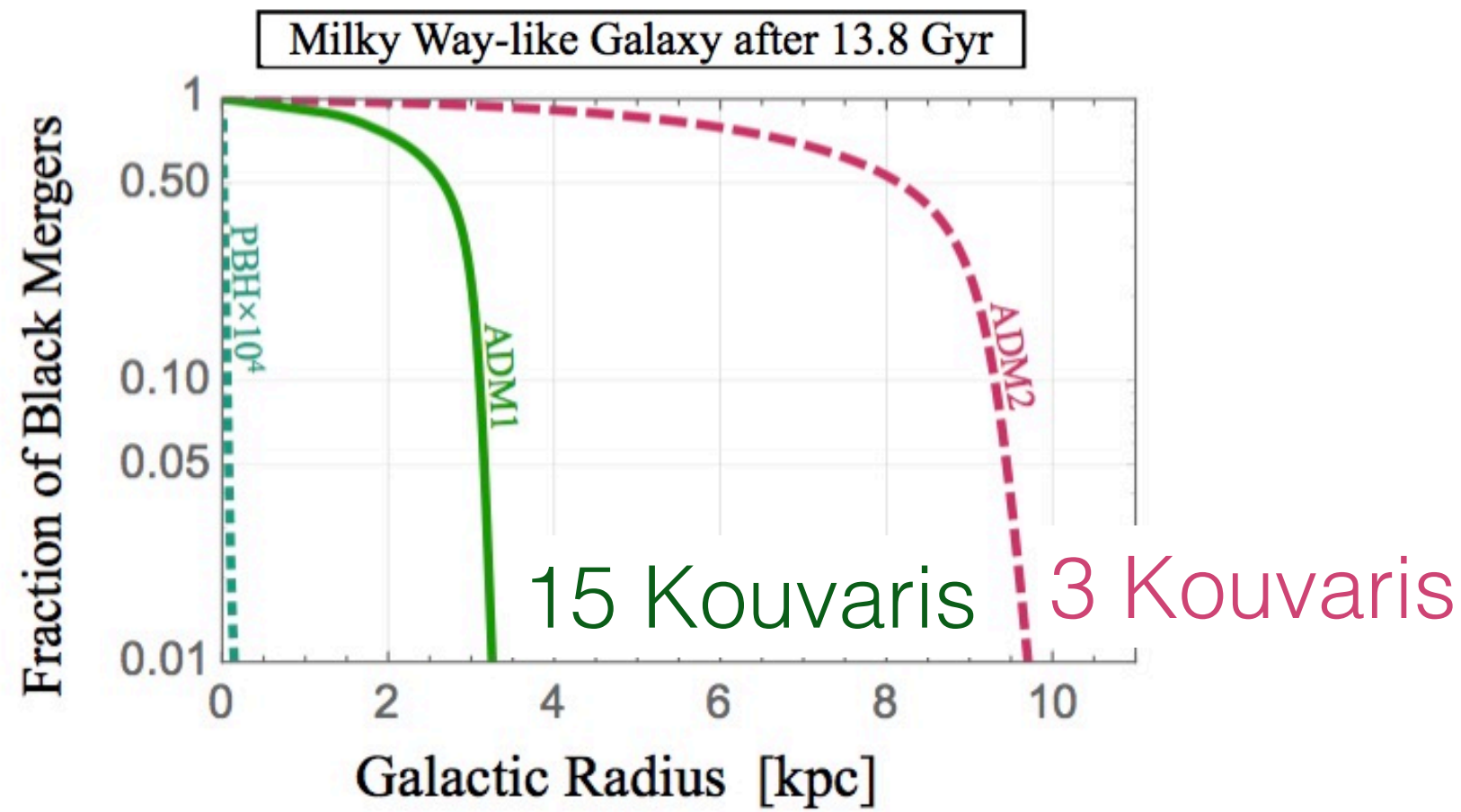
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No Kilonova

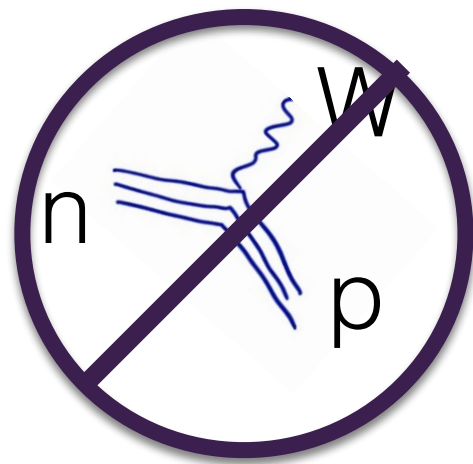


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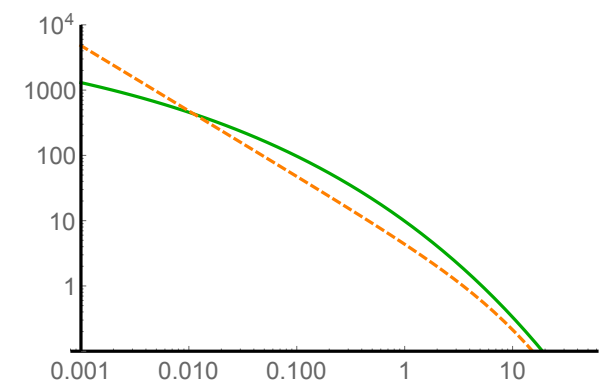


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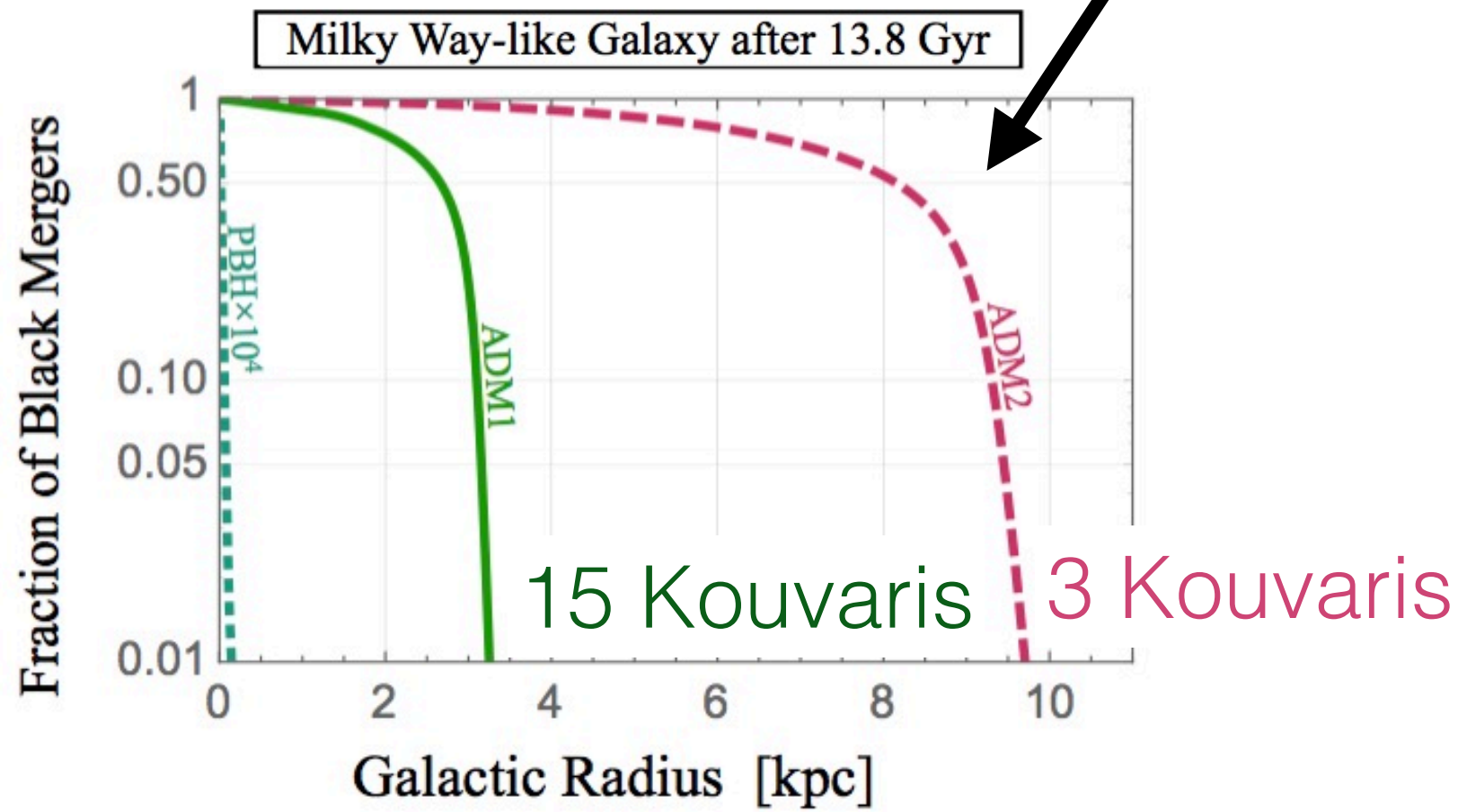
Beacom-Hopkins '06  
Star Formation  
Sartore '09 Final NS  
Distribution

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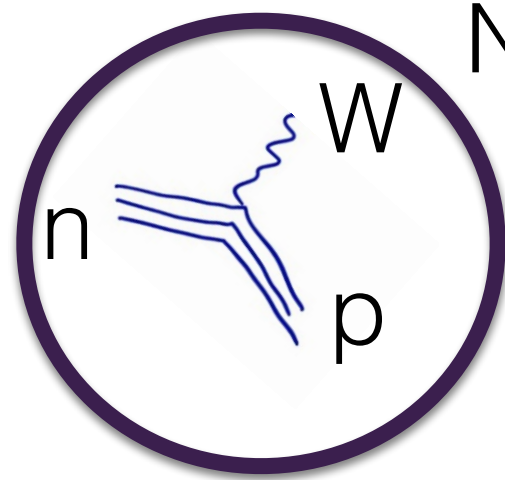
$\rho_x$  (GeV/cm<sup>3</sup>)



Radius (kpc)

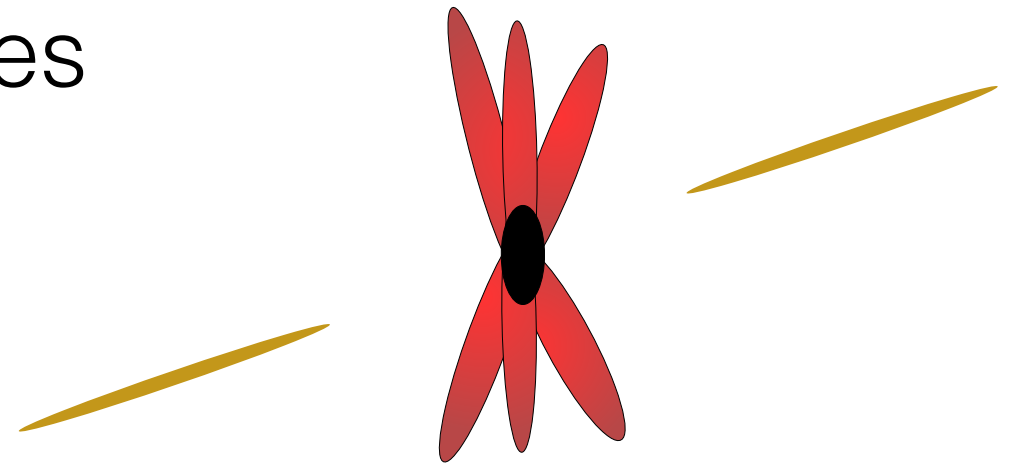


# Quiet Kilonovae



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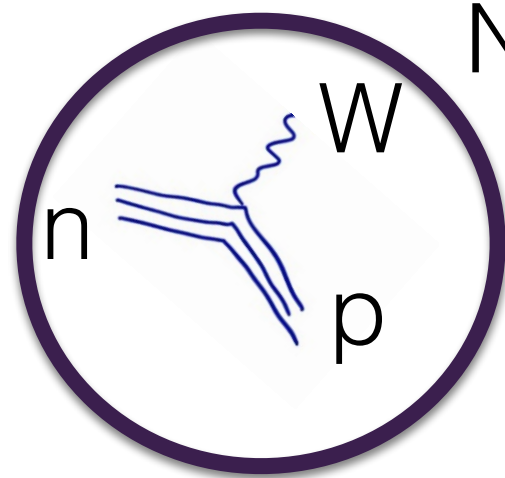


Quiet Kilonovae: NS implosions create a less luminous kilonova, with no gravity wave signal



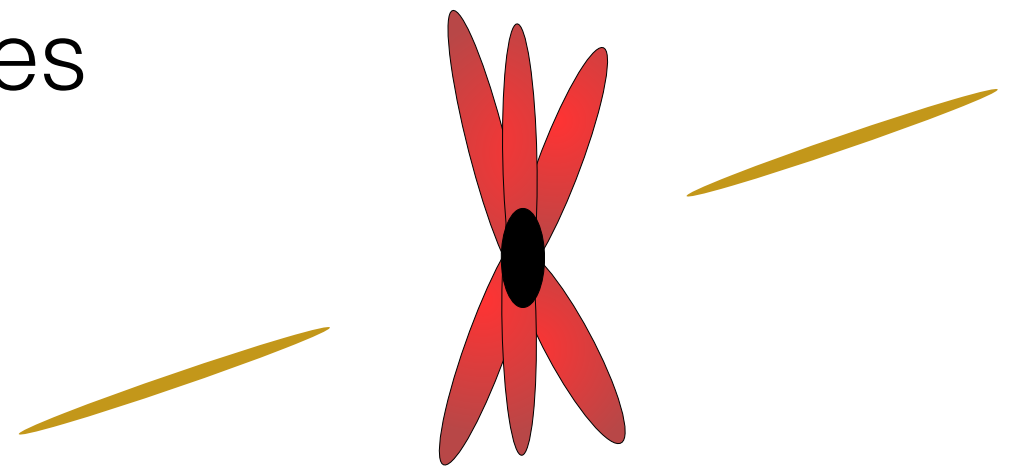


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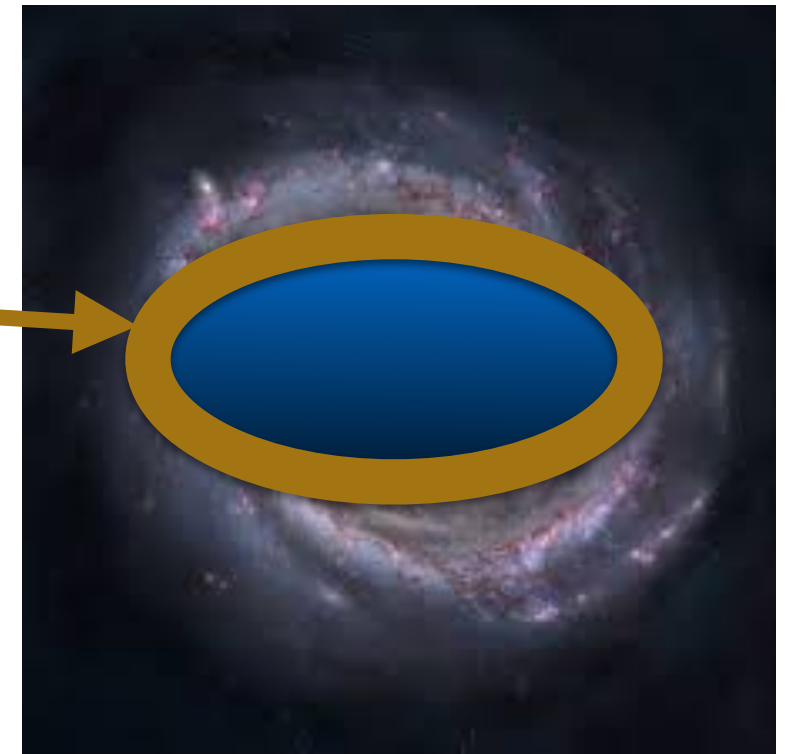
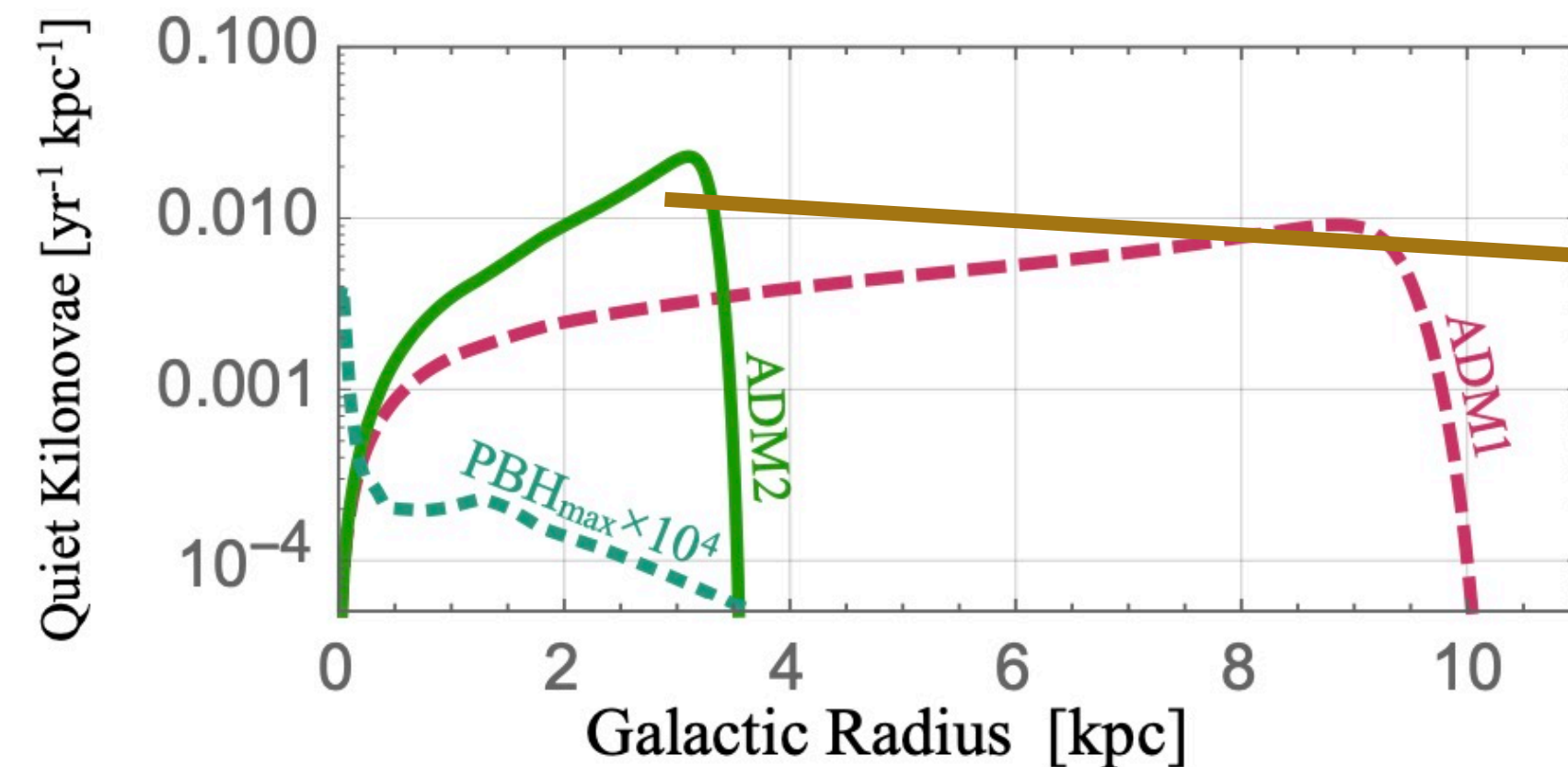


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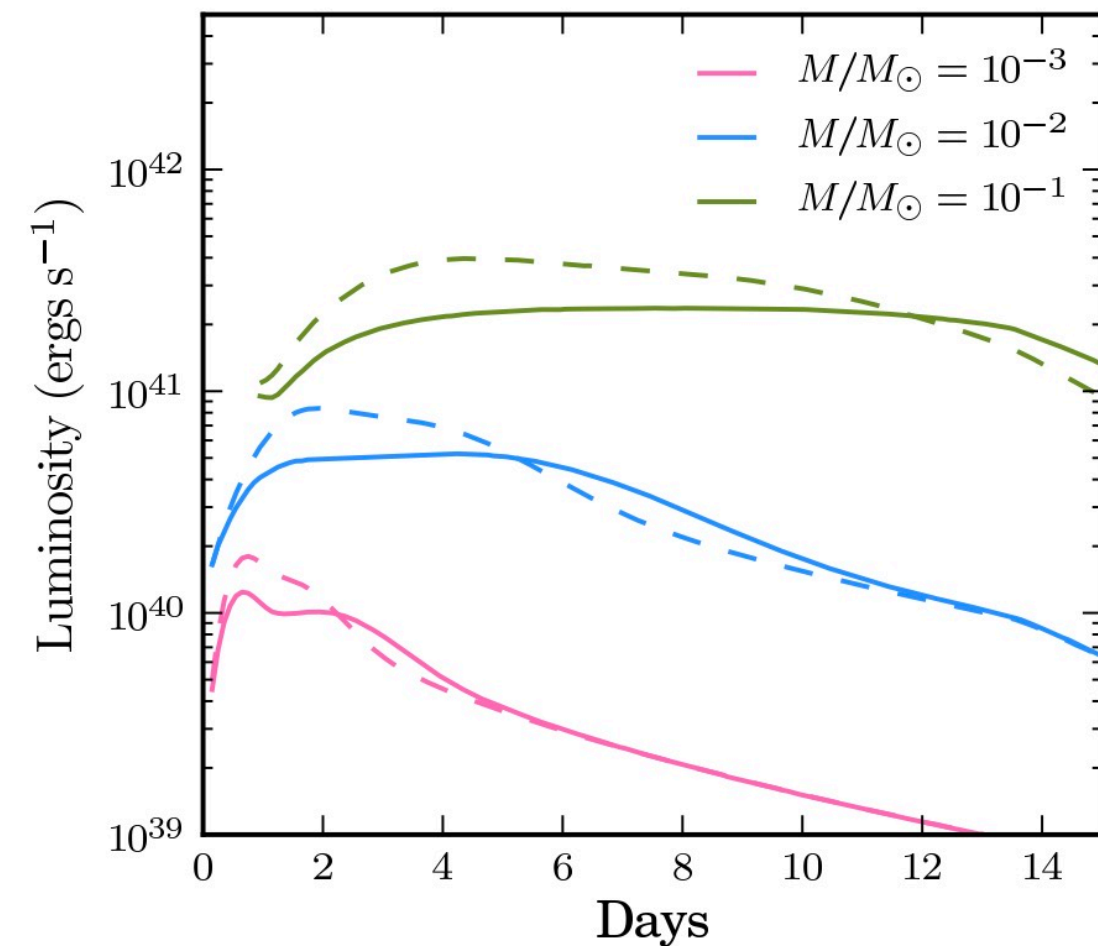


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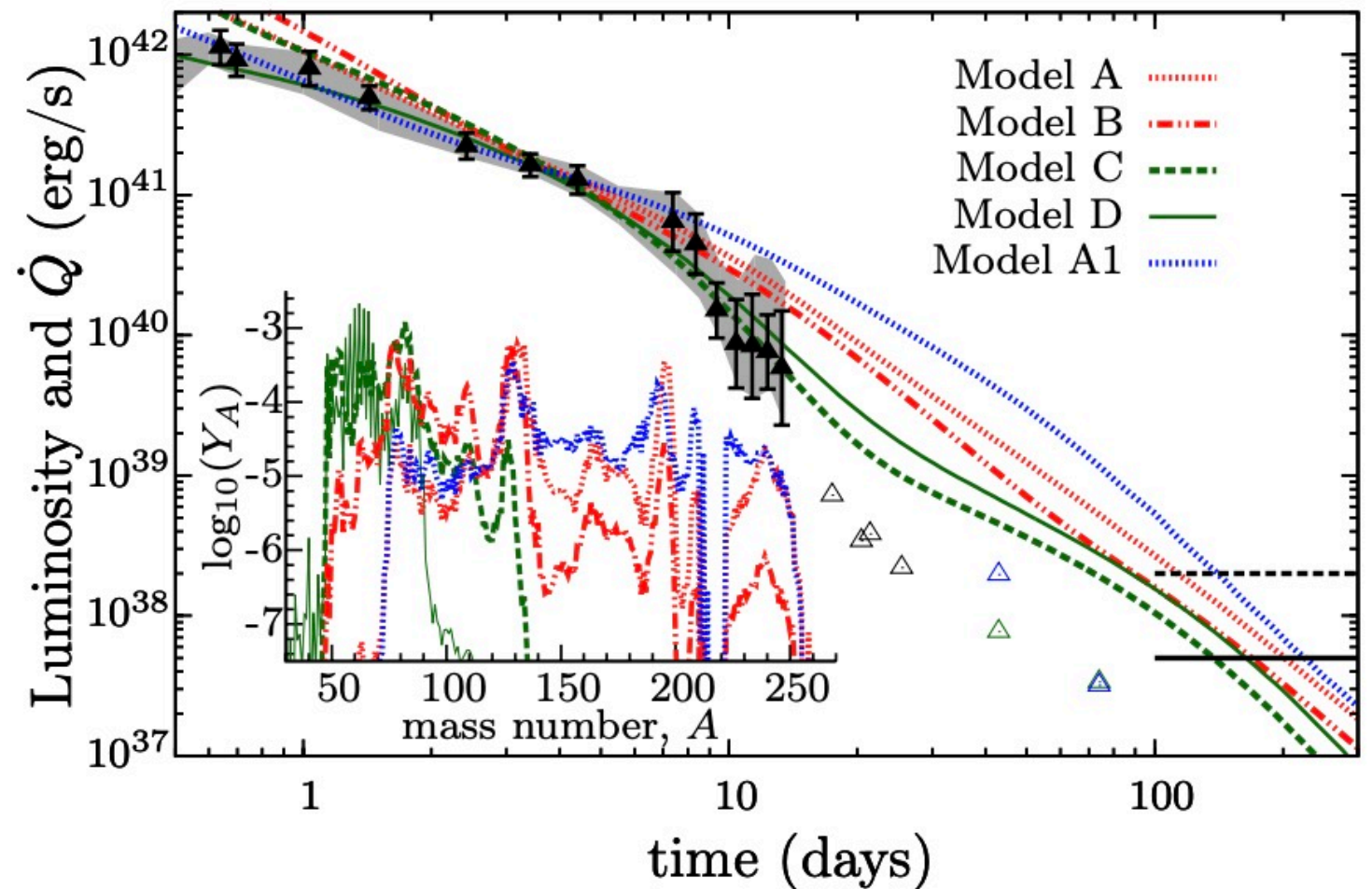




# Modeled and Observed Kilonova Light Curves



Barnes, Kasen 2013



Wu, Barnes et al 2018  
1808.10459

Neutron star fluid kilonovae last days and have luminosities that scale with ejected mass.

# The SINS Survey — Finding Quiet Kilonovae In the Fornax Cluster



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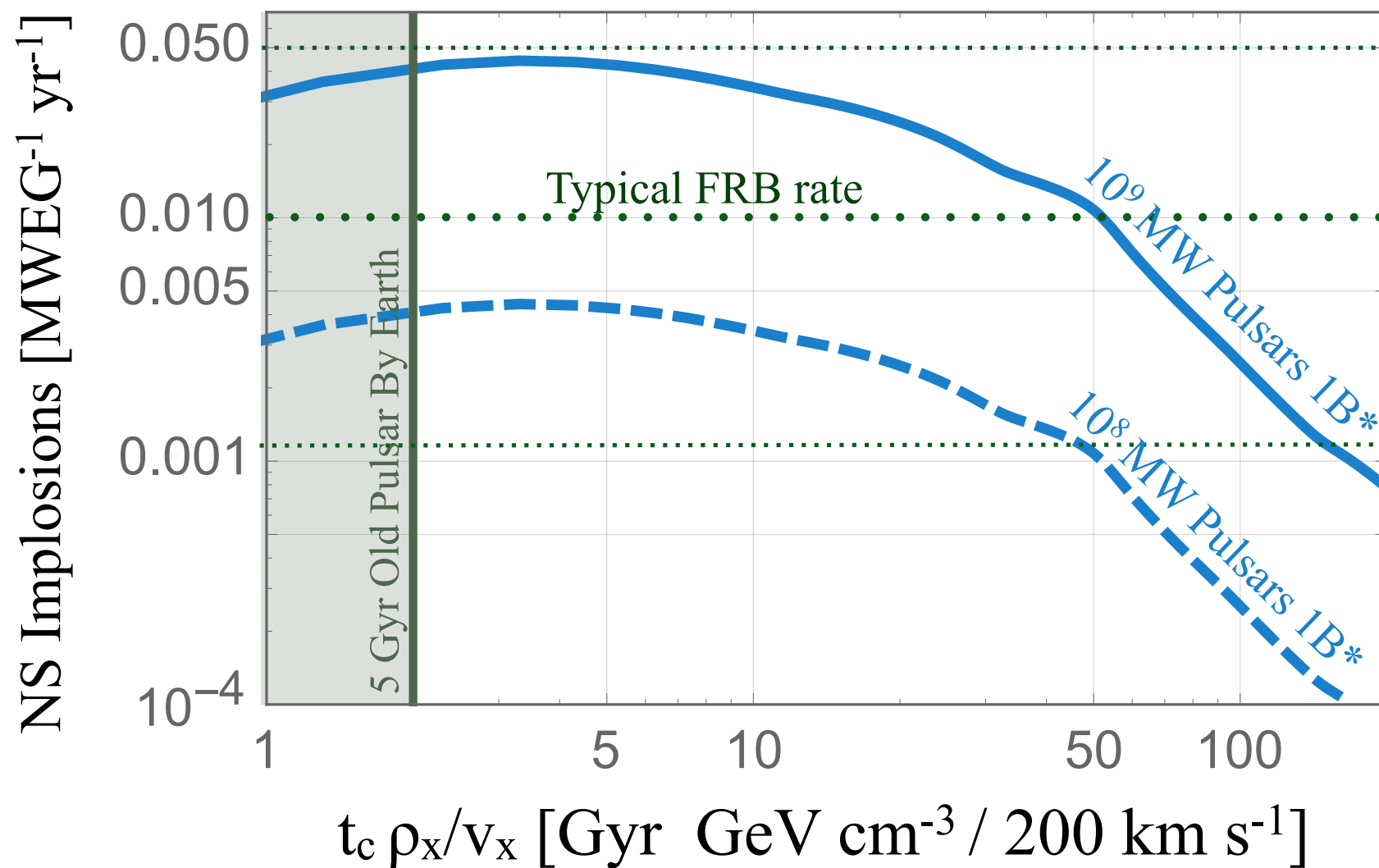
- 10 half nights every 3 days for 60 nights livetime
- Sensitivity to quiet kilonovae 0.2/yr per MWEG



# NS Implosion Rate (could match Fast Radio Bursts)

$$R_{frb} \sim 10^{-2} \text{ MWEg}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1} \left( \frac{D}{2 \text{ Gpc}} \right)^{-3}$$

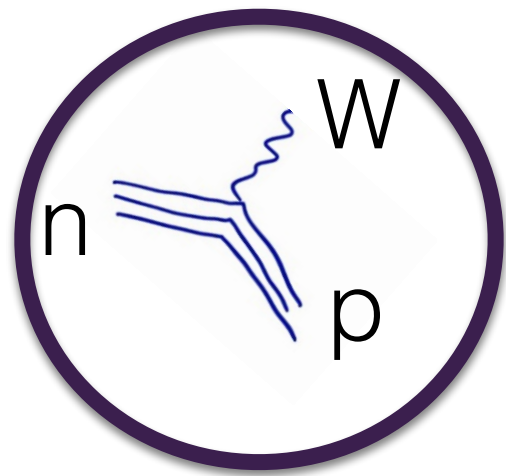
## NS Implosions



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NS dynamics,  
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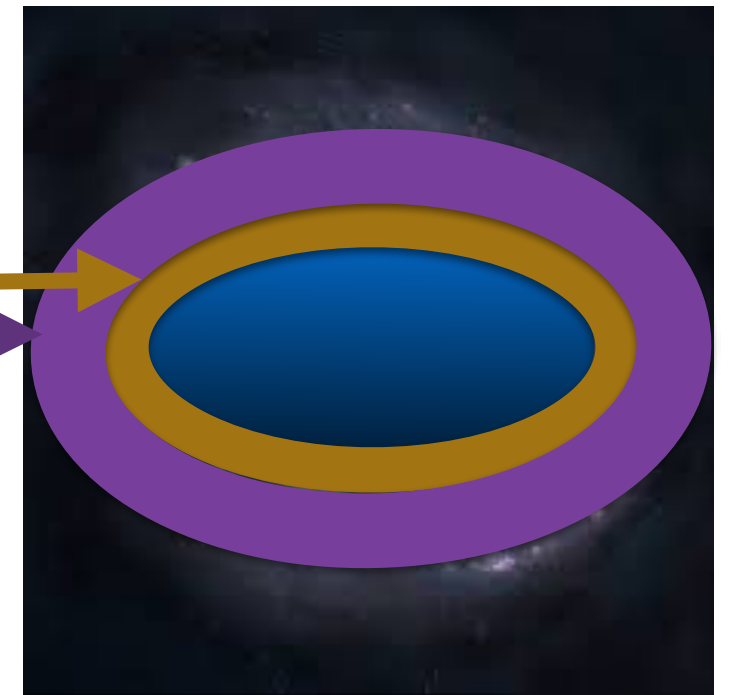
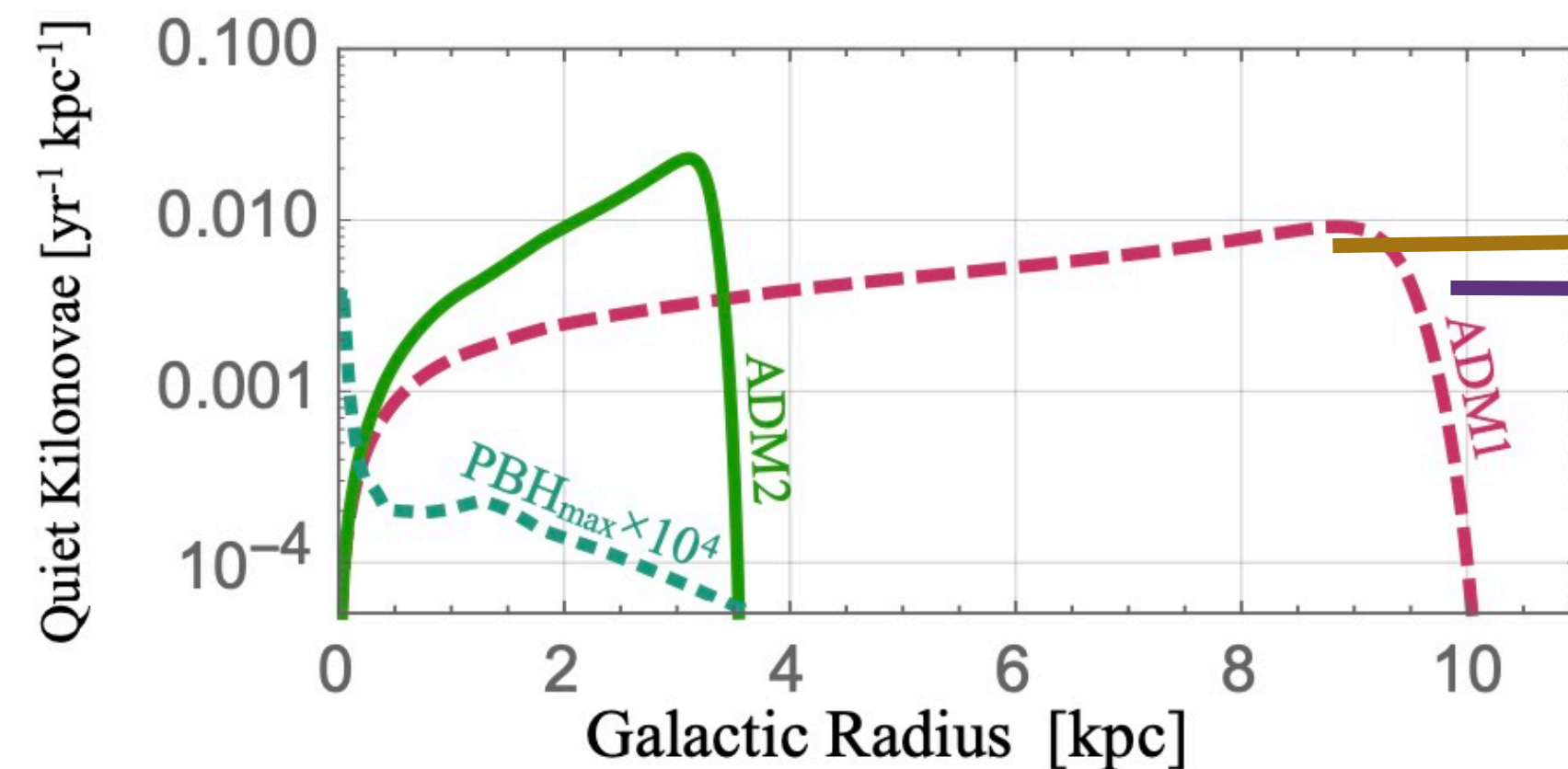
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# R-Process Donuts



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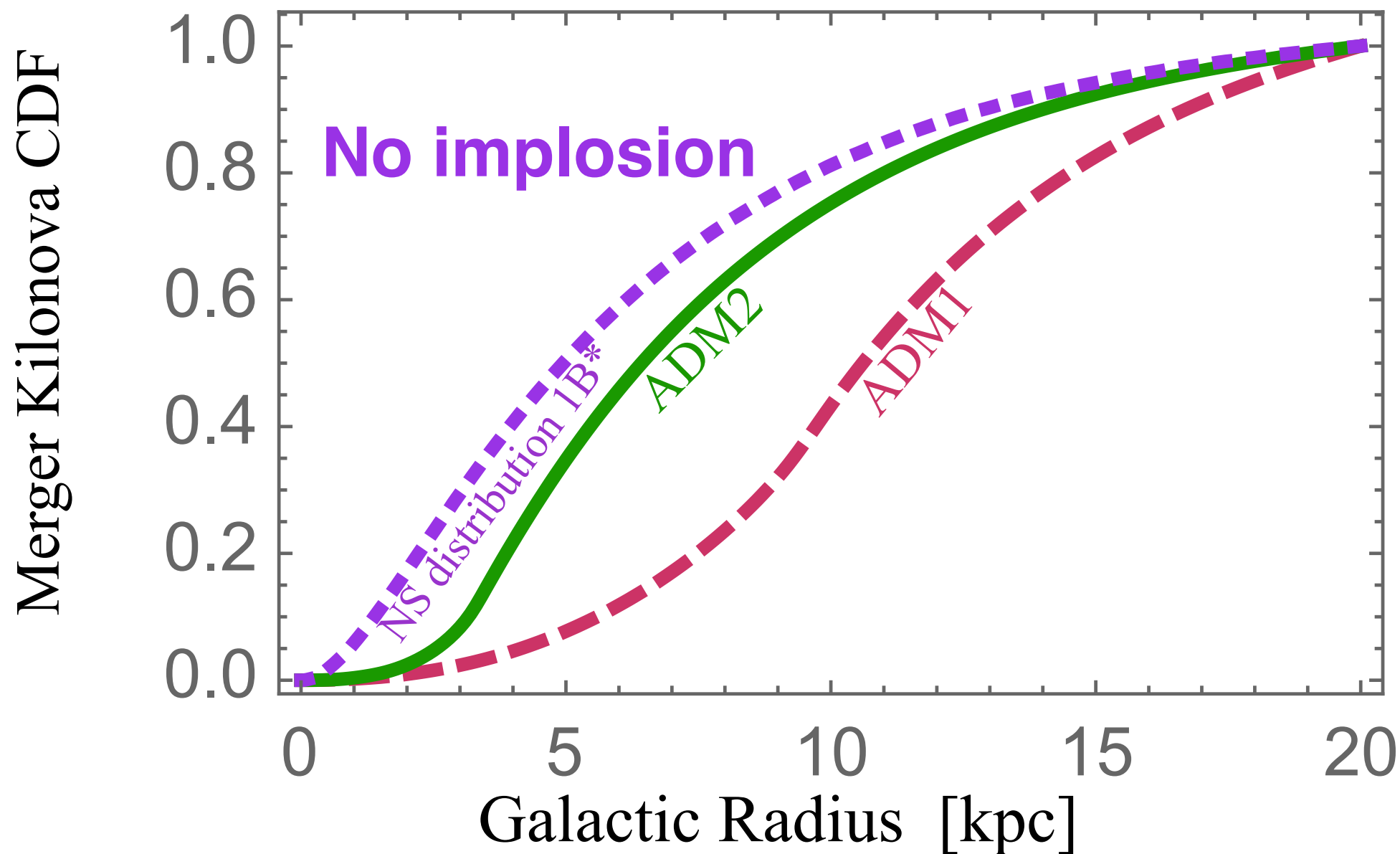
**R-Process Donuts: Quiet kilonovae and standard NS merger kilonovae occur in donut shaped external regions of disc galaxies**



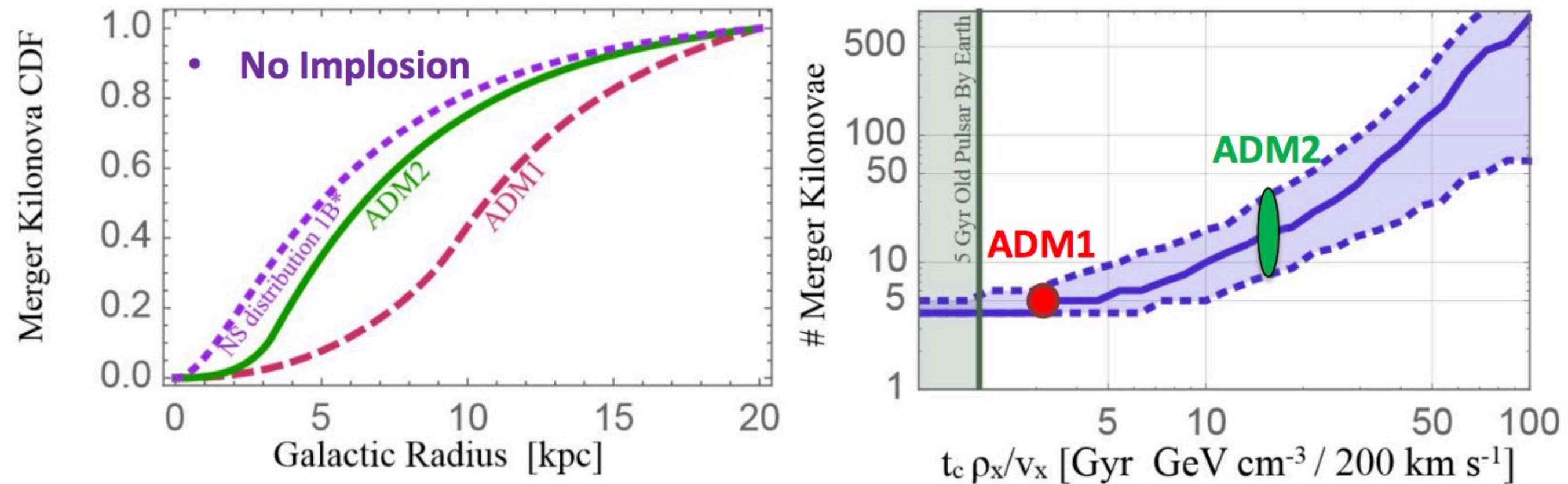
# Dark Matter Alters Neutron Star Merger Locations in Galaxies

**ADM1**: Neutron Stars Implode 3 Gyr after birth for  $\text{GeV}/\text{cm}^3$  dark matter

**ADM2**: same, but 15 Gyr



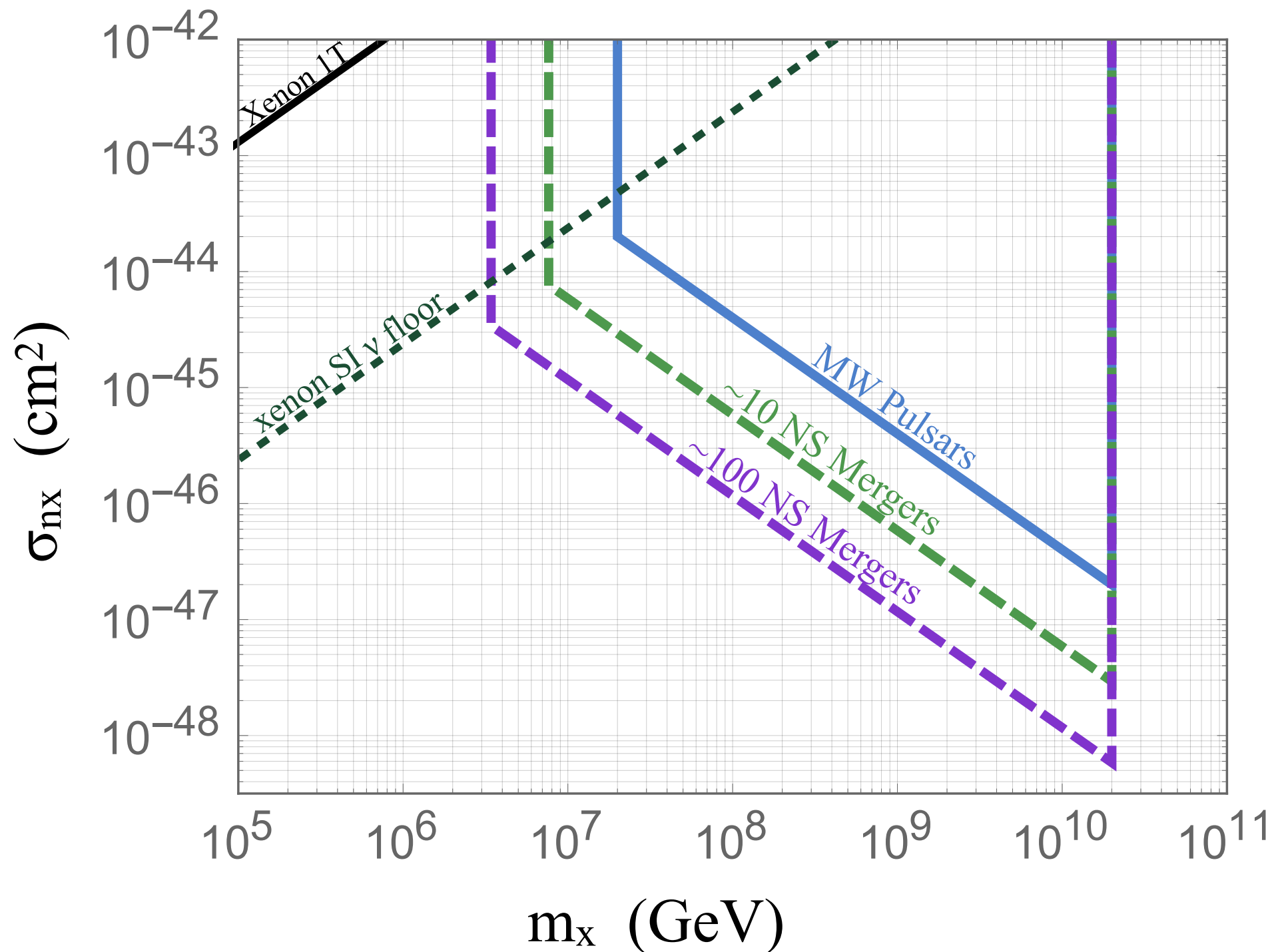
# Statistics of NS Mergers Located in Galaxies



- Use large sample of Kolmogorov-Smirnov tests to determine how many NS mergers necessary to find dark matter
- Upper and lower quartile necessary to find dark matter shown in right plot

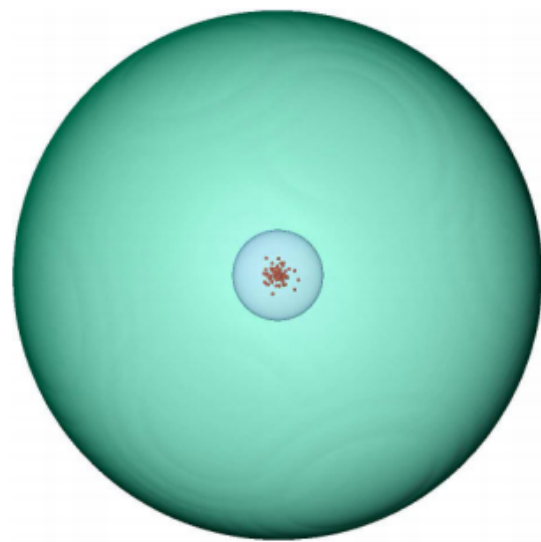


# Asymmetric Dark Matter Using NS Merger Locations in Galaxies



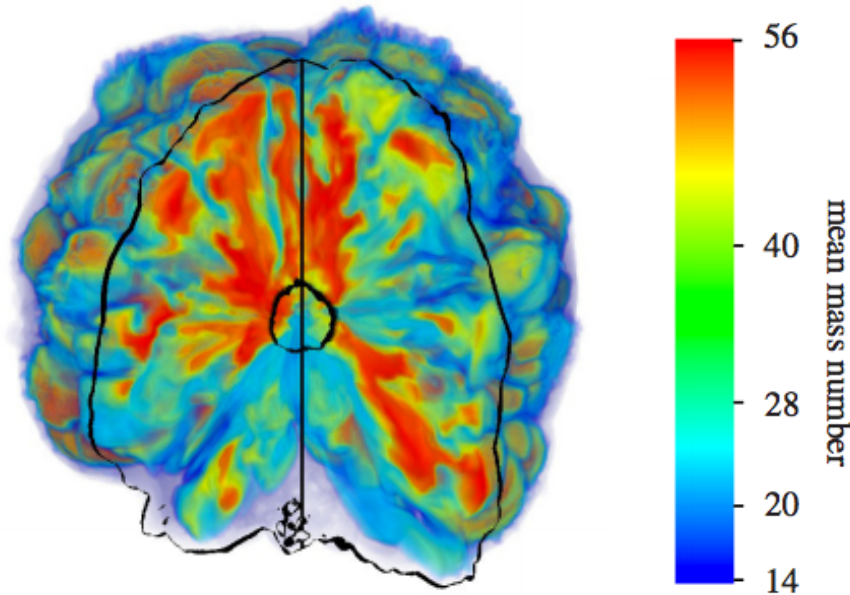
# Dark Matter Ignition of Type Ia Supernovae

1. Heavy asymmetric dark matter can collapse inside, ignite, and explode white dwarfs.
2. There are interesting implications for the origin of Type Ia Supernovae.

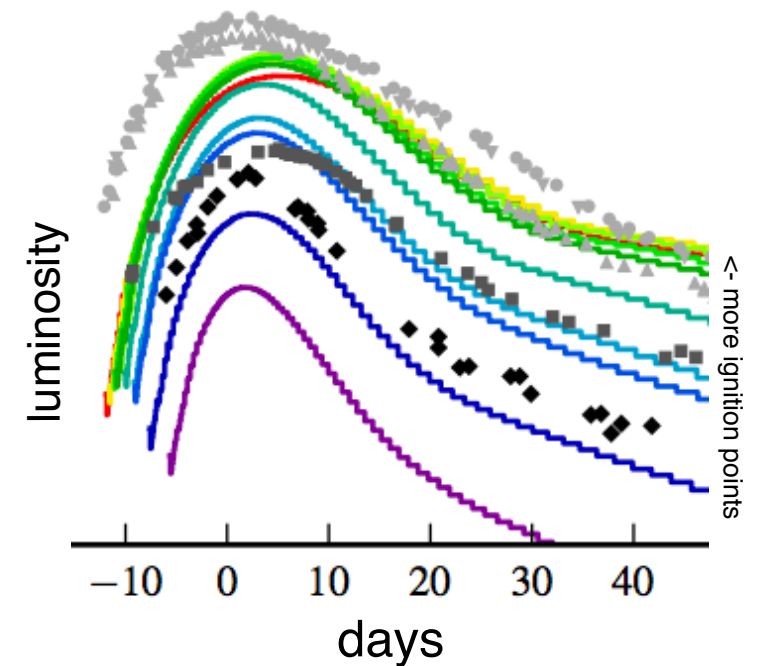


Ignition region inside WD

ignition



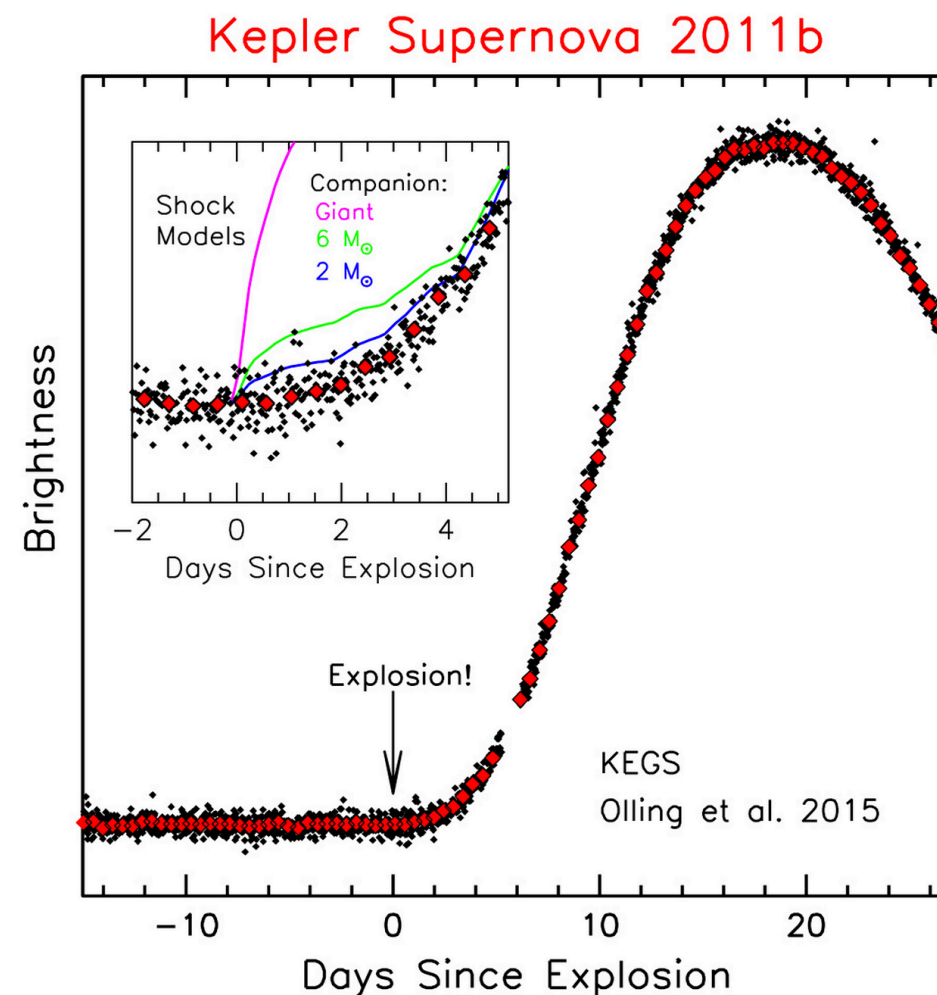
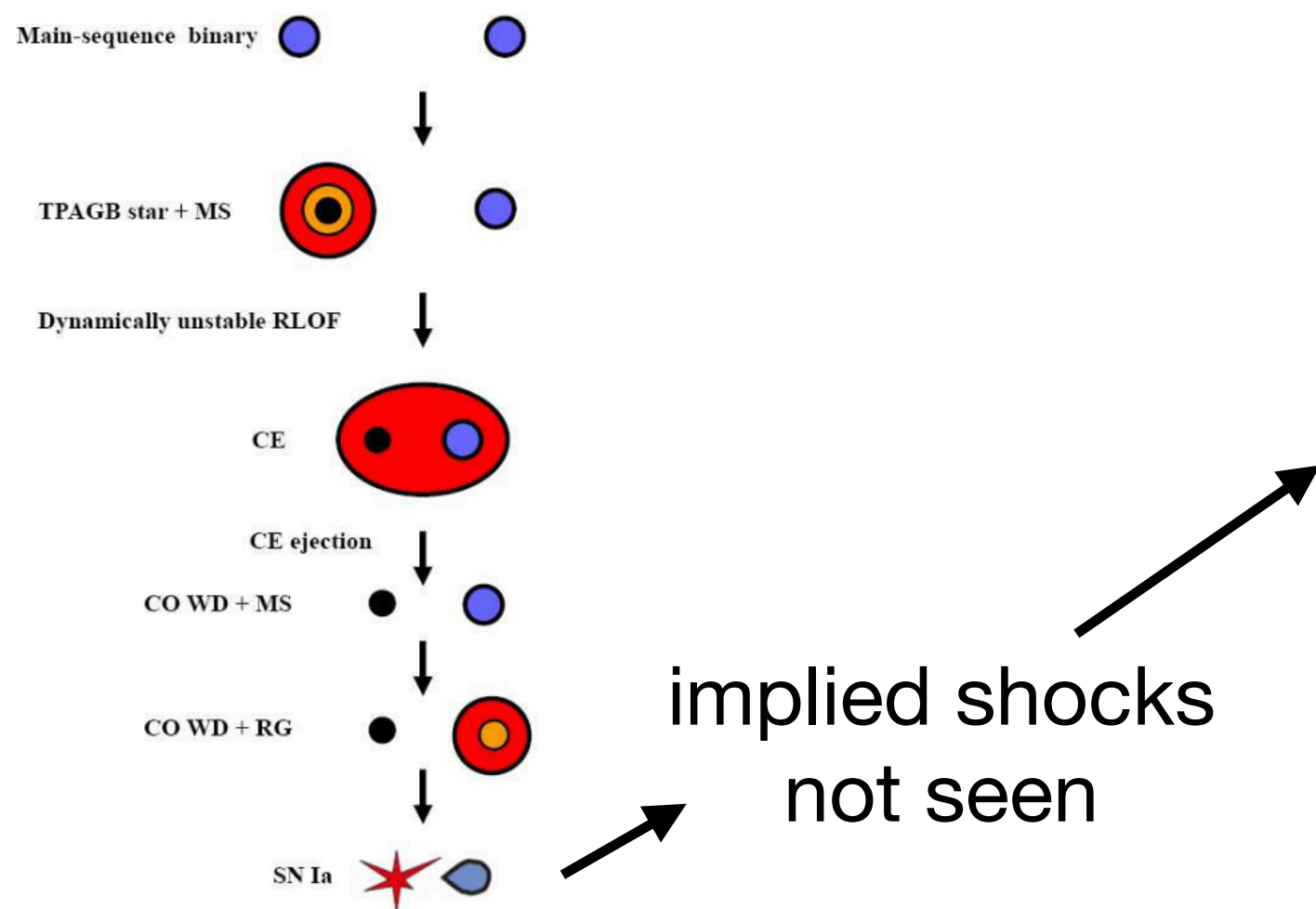
nuclei fuse ( $^{56}\text{Ni}$ )



nuclei decay

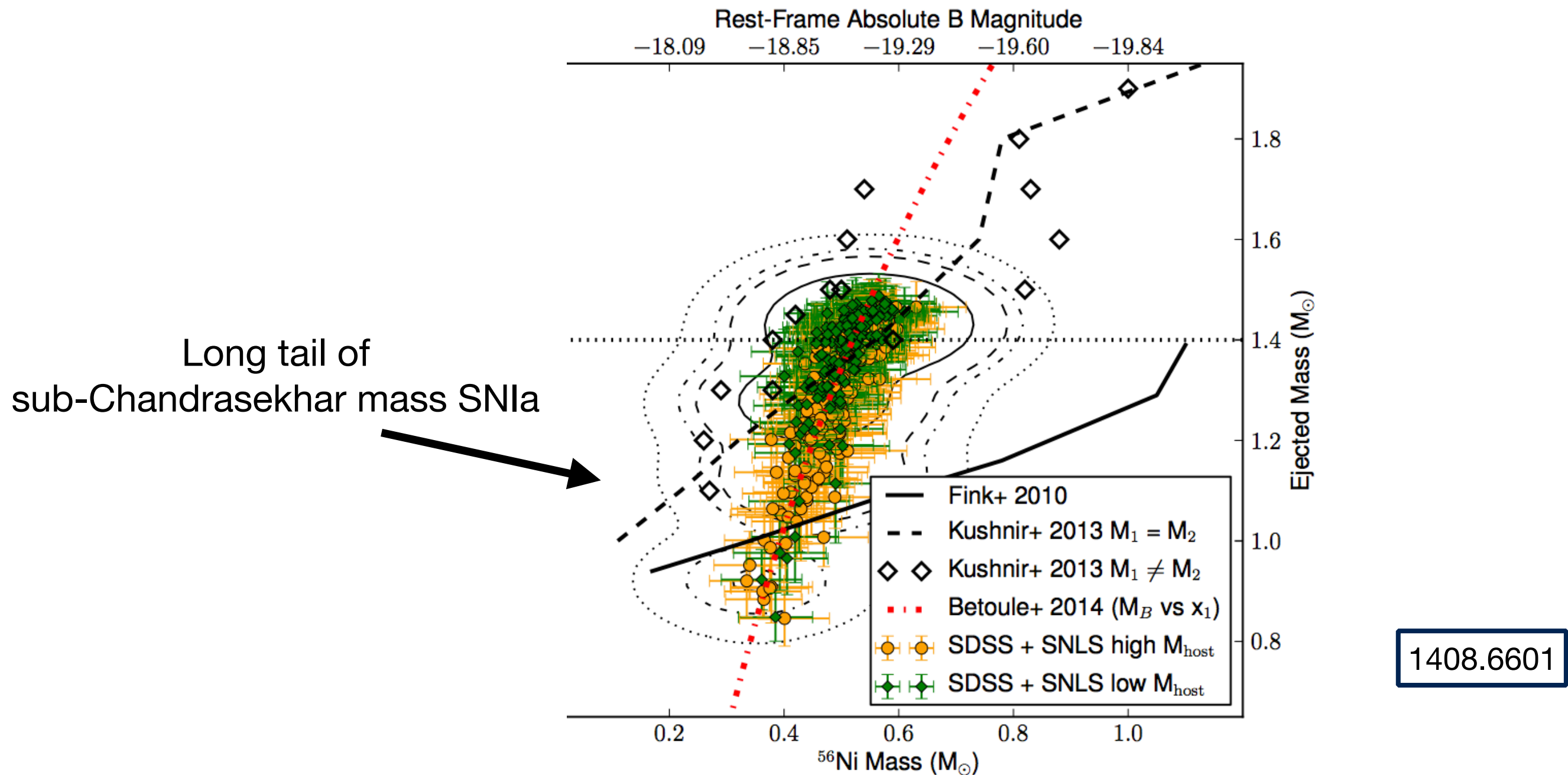
Type Ia supernovae erupt when a portion of white dwarf becomes heated, igniting a thermonuclear flame-front that sweeps through the star, followed by an explosion.

It is not clear what ignites type Ia supernovae. Candidates include binary accretion to criticality (a.k.a. Chandrasekhar mass), and white dwarfs merging.



Binary accretion ignition is now disfavored, by a lack of companion star "shocks" in SNIa light curves, along with the non-observation of H or He lines in any type Ia spectra. White dwarf mergers may work, if the merger rate can match the high rate of type Ias.

The existence of sub-Chandrasekhar supernovae presents a quandary that binary accretion has trouble accounting for.

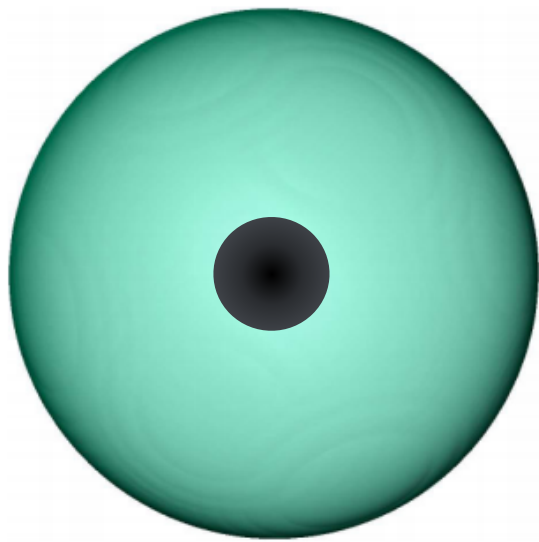


$$\frac{M_{\text{ej}}}{M_{\odot}} = (1.322 \pm 0.022) + (0.185 \pm 0.018)x_1, \quad x_1 = [-3, 2]$$



# Heavy Dark Matter Ignition of Type Ia Supernovae

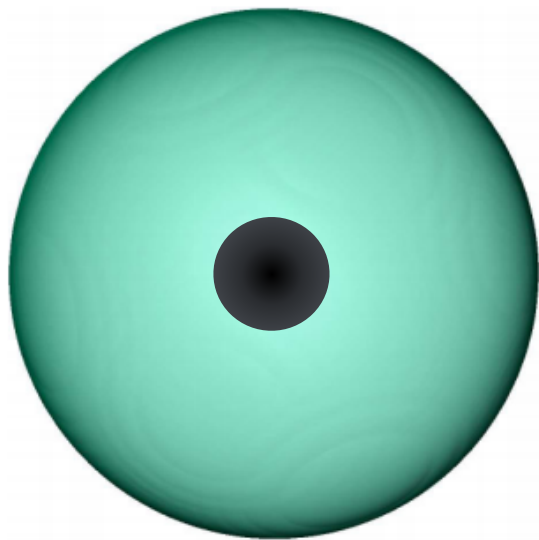
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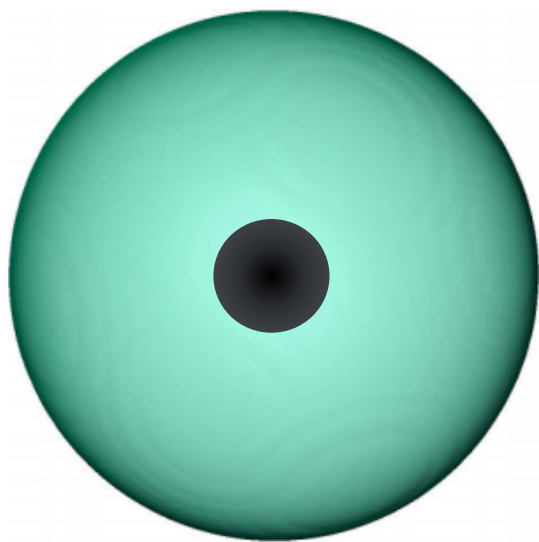
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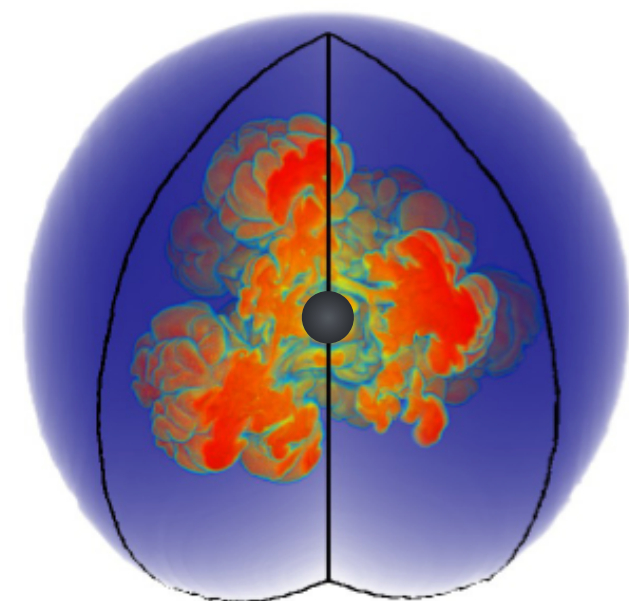
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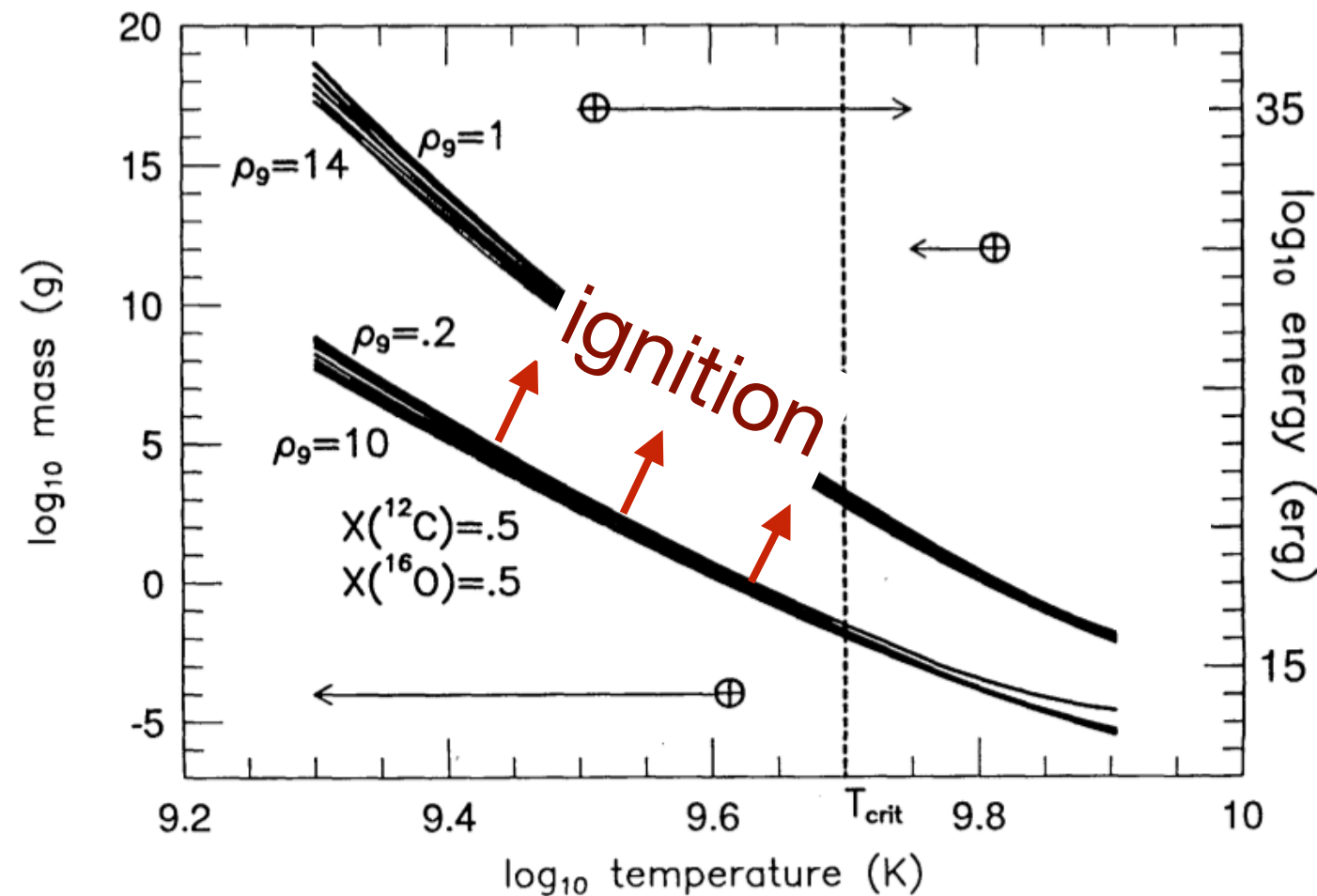
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DM collapses, shedding gravitational potential energy by scattering with nuclei, igniting a supernova.

As it collapses to its minimum energy state, the dark matter will shed gravitational potential energy.



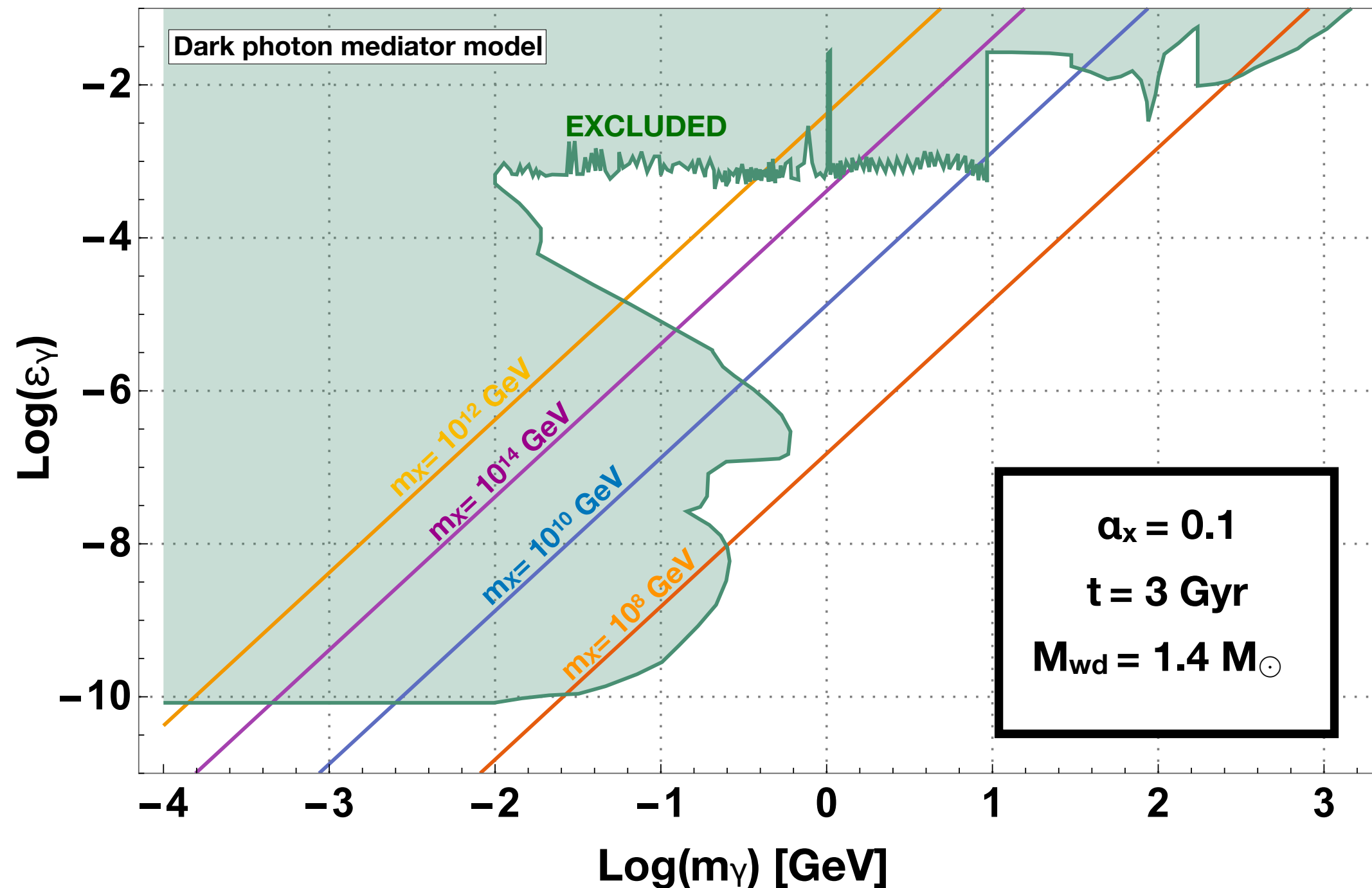
Timmes &  
Woosley 1992

For ignition to occur, at a given temperature, the speed of nuclear burning across a fixed region must exceed the white dwarf's electron conduction diffusion rate.

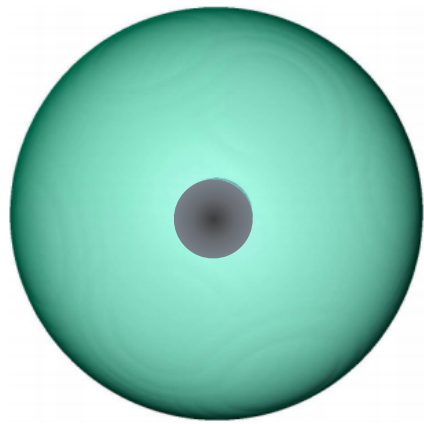
# Vector Portal Model



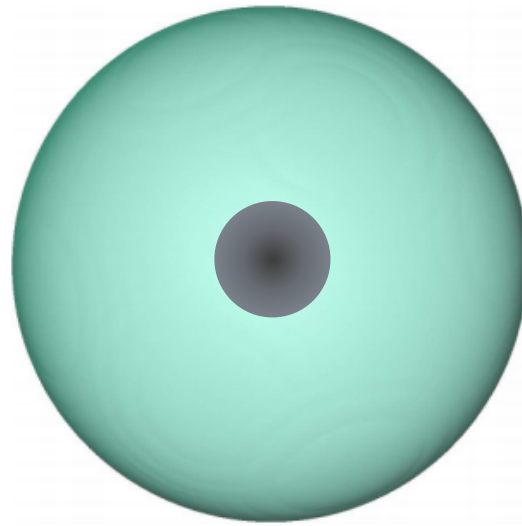
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + |D_\mu \Phi|^2 - V(\Phi) - \frac{1}{4} F'^2_{\mu\nu} + \epsilon A'_\mu \partial_\nu F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{X}(iD_\mu \gamma_\mu - m_X)X$$







more massive WD,  
DM collapses sooner

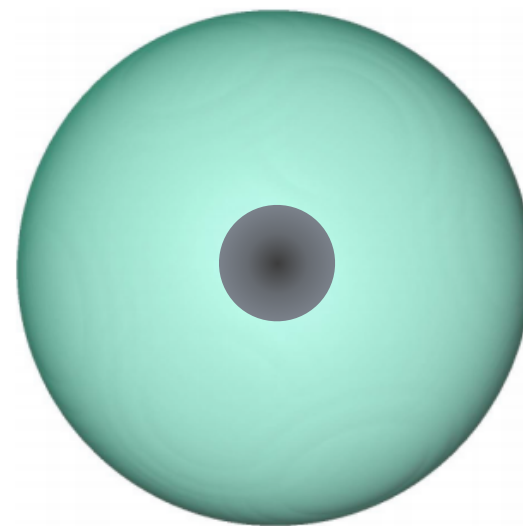
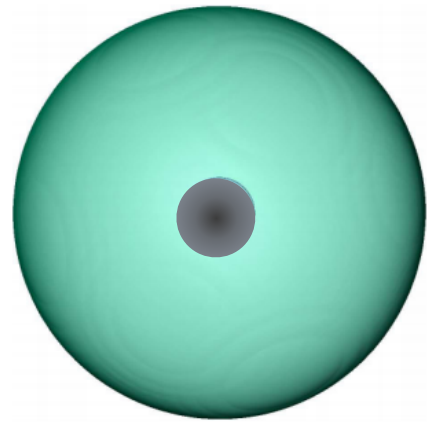


less massive WD,  
DM collapses later

A more massive white dwarf is denser, so dark matter collects into a smaller ball, and collapses sooner.

Altogether, this shortens the time for dark matter collapse in more massive white dwarfs.

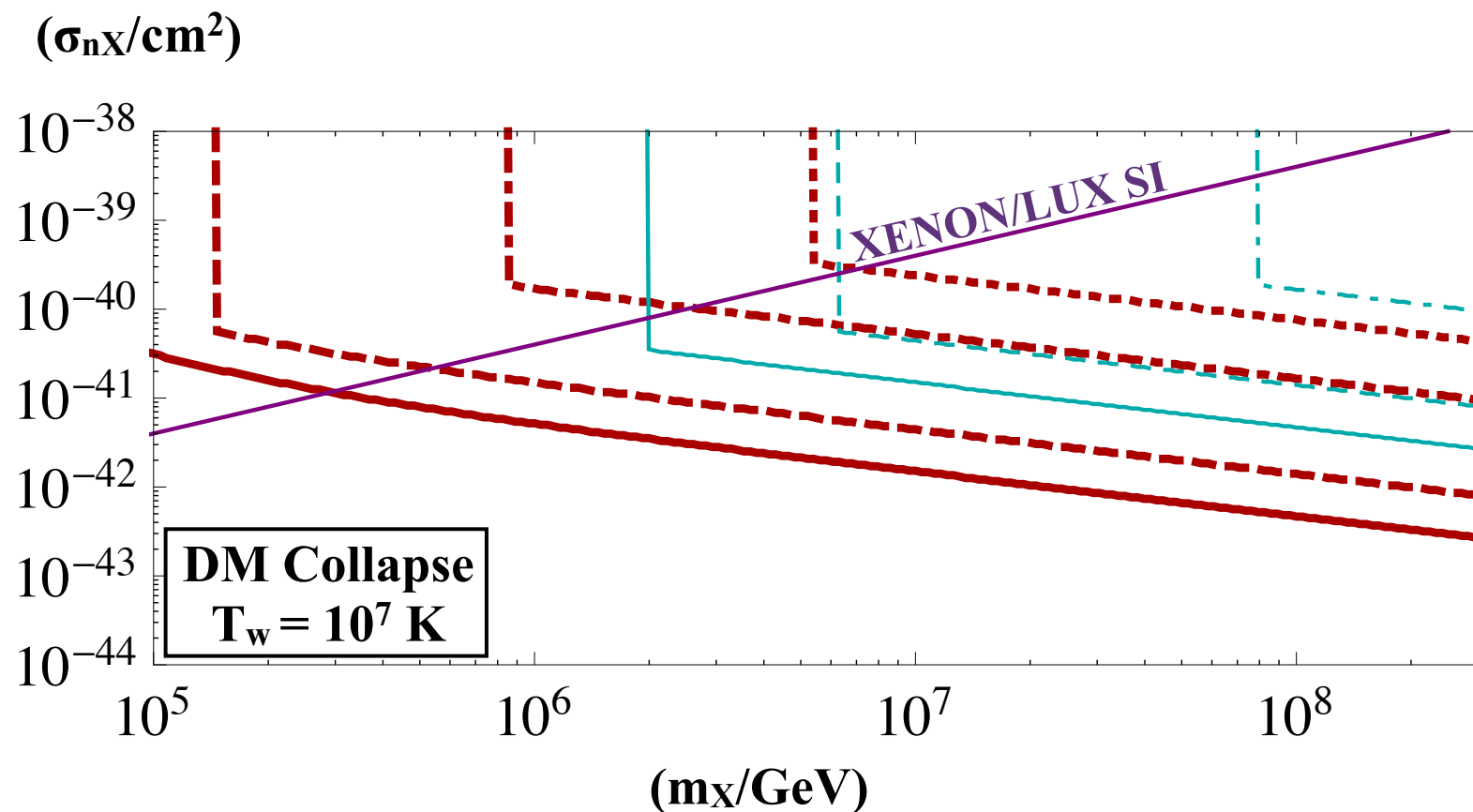
$$N_{sg} \sim \frac{T_w^{3/2}}{m_X^{5/2} \rho_w^{1/2}}$$



(less) DM collapses sooner

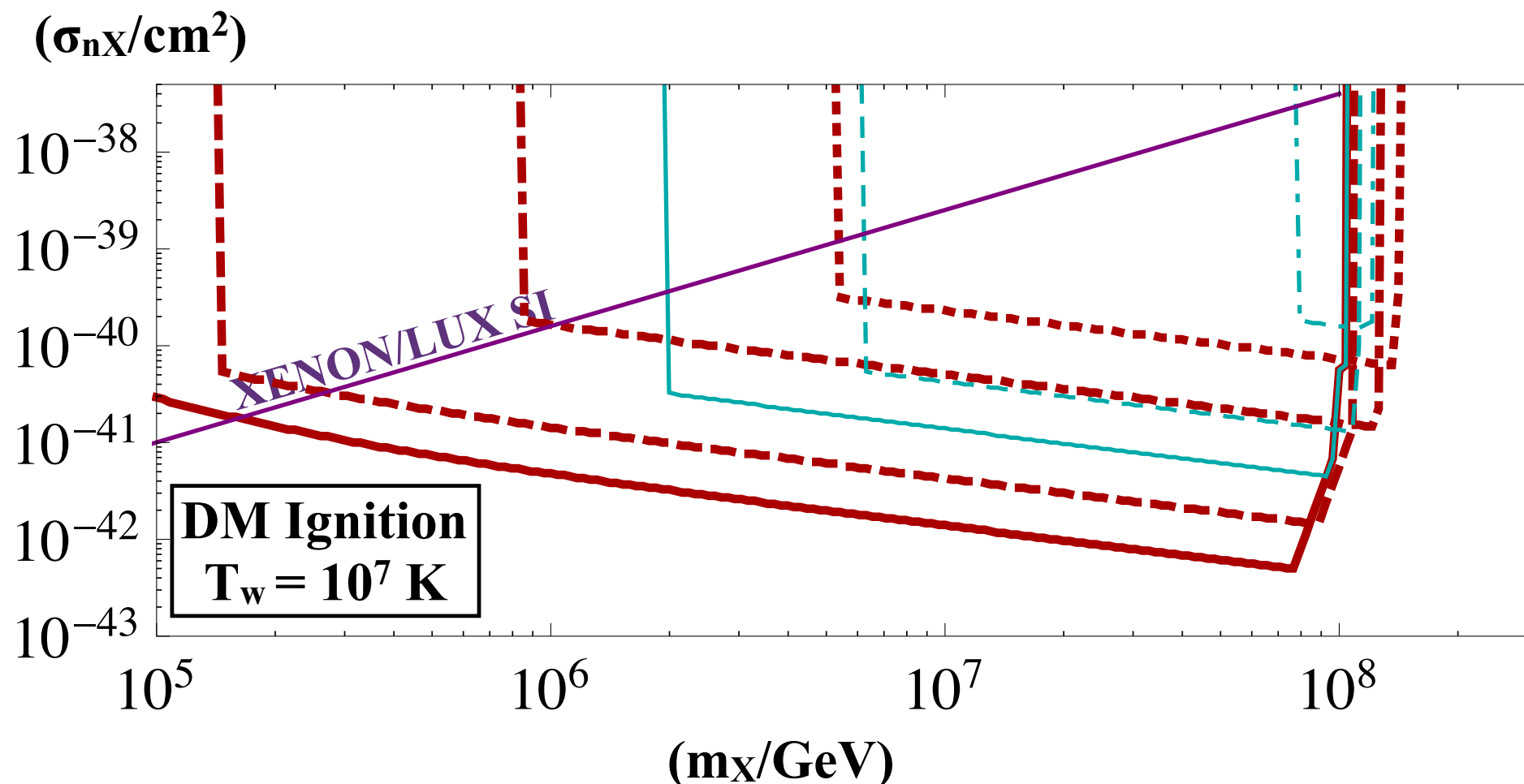
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| <u>Line</u> | <u><math>M_w/M_\odot</math></u> | <u><math>R_w/(10^3 \text{ km})</math></u> | <u><math>\rho_w/(10^7 \text{ g/cm}^3)</math></u> | <u>Line</u> | <u><math>t_w/\text{Gyr}</math></u> |
|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
|             | 1.4                             | 2.5                                       | 100                                              |             | 5                                  |
|             | 1.3                             | 3                                         | 40                                               |             | 0.5                                |
|             | 1.1                             | 5                                         | 6                                                |             |                                    |
|             | 0.9                             | 6                                         | 2                                                |             |                                    |

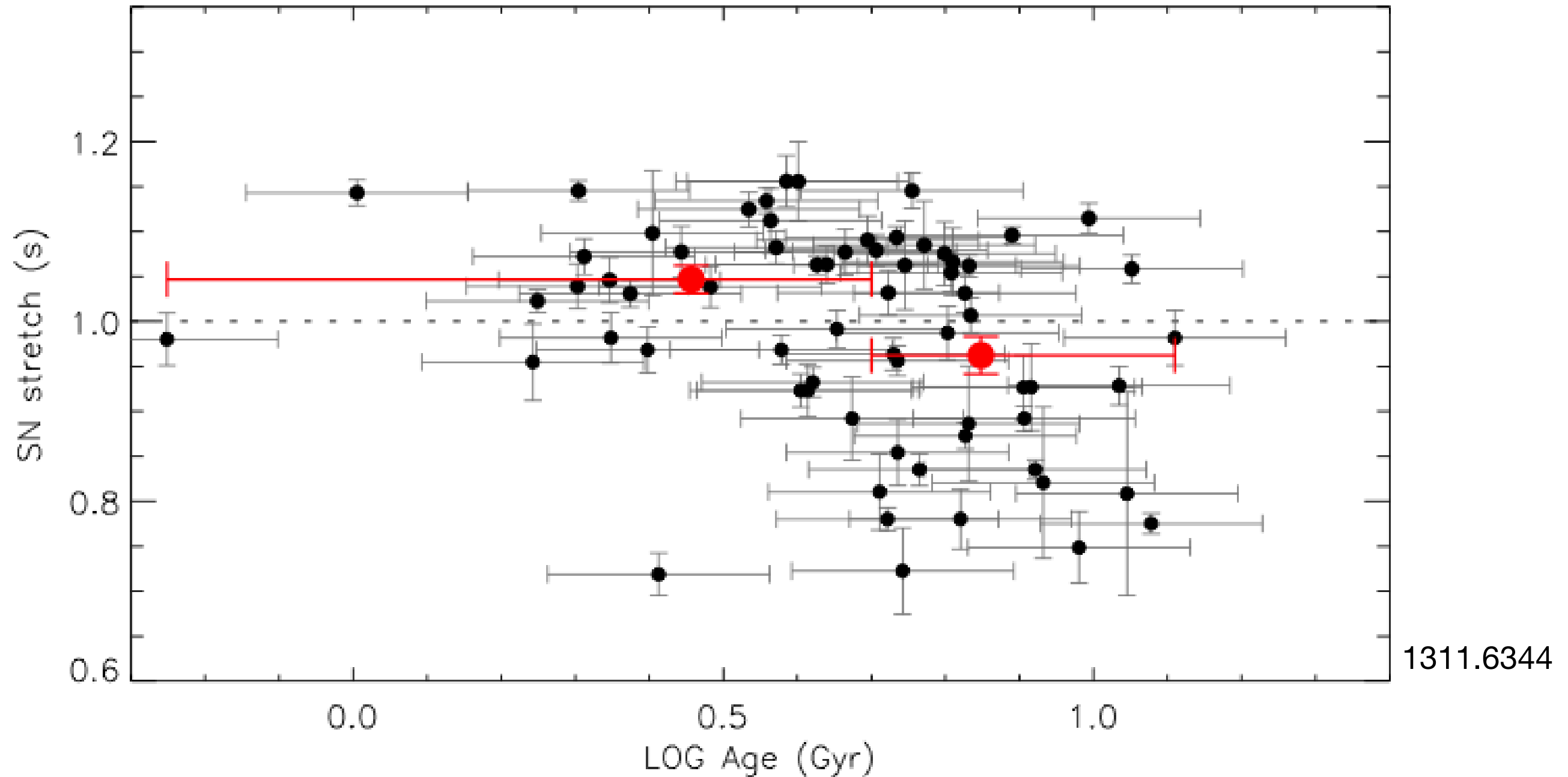


The limiting factor for heavy DM-induced-ignition of white dwarfs is the mass of the DM particle. Heavier DM collapses after fewer particles have collected, and fewer collapsing particles transfer less heat.

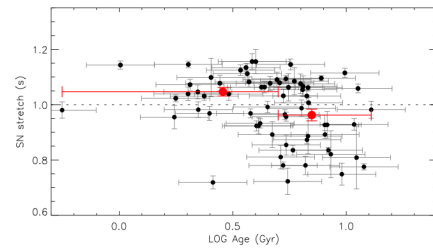
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Sensitivity to high mass dark matter below current limits.

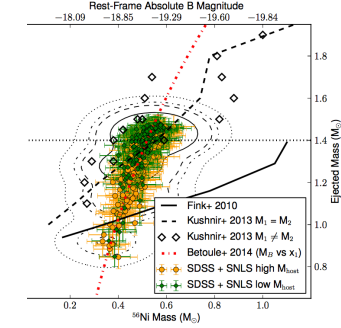


There is an unexplained correlation between the age of type Ia supernovae host galaxies, and the "stretch" of the type Ia lightcurve. Note that, as we saw earlier, type Ia stretch correlates with type Ia progenitor white dwarf mass.



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Data on the ages of stars adjacent to type Ia supernovae

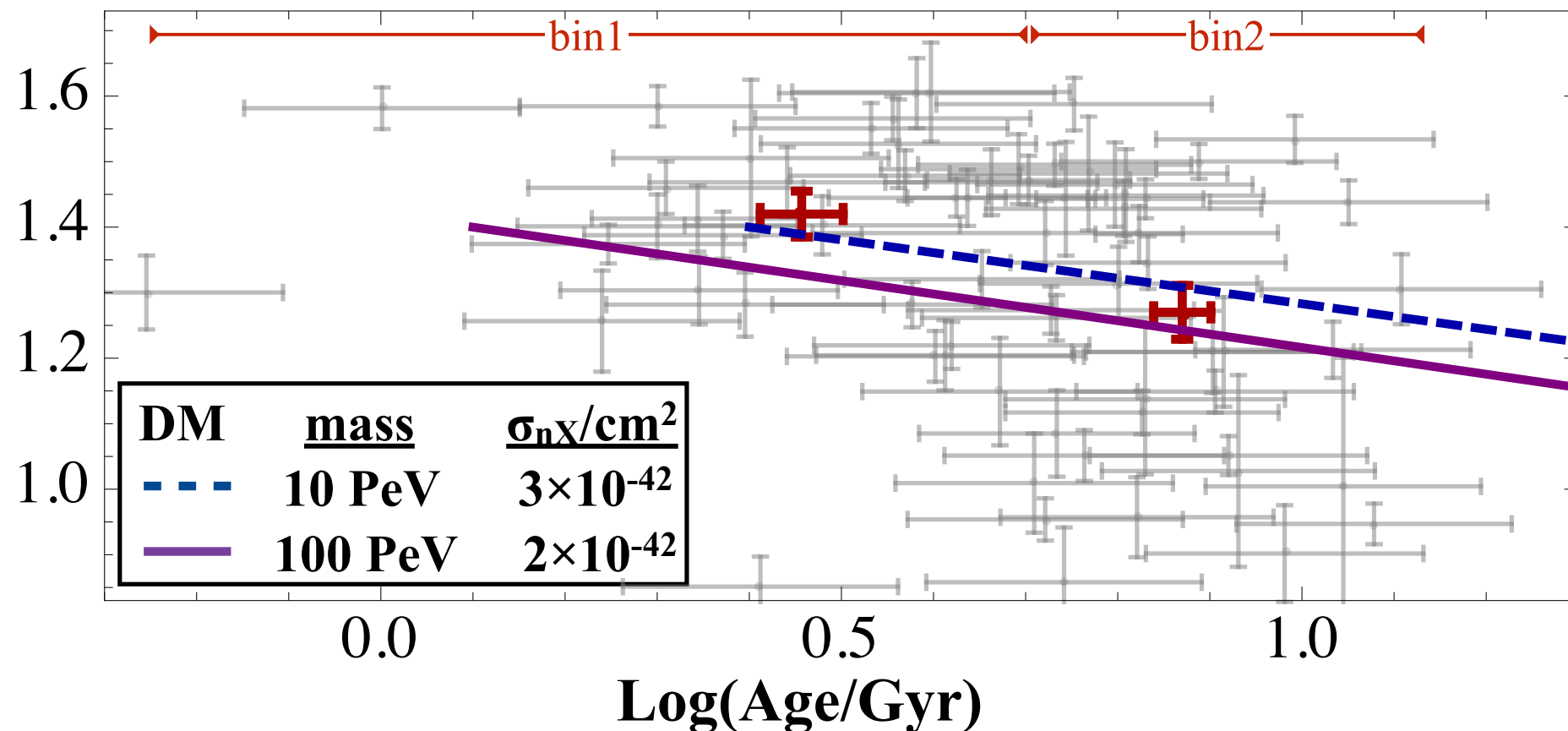


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Data on the mass of type Ia supernovae inferred from luminosity

### SNIa progenitor age versus mass

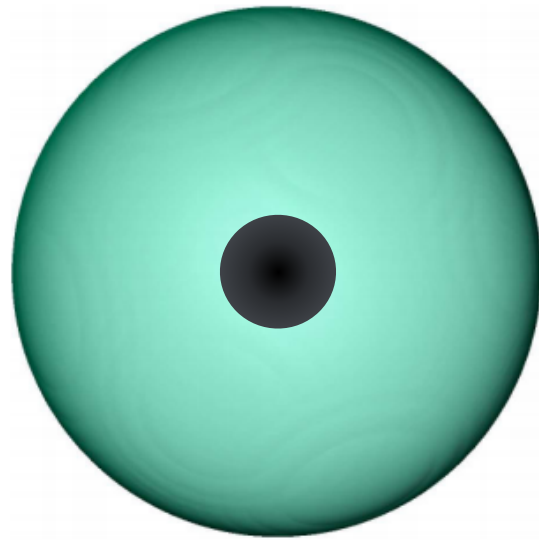
$(M_{\text{SNIa}}/M_{\odot})$



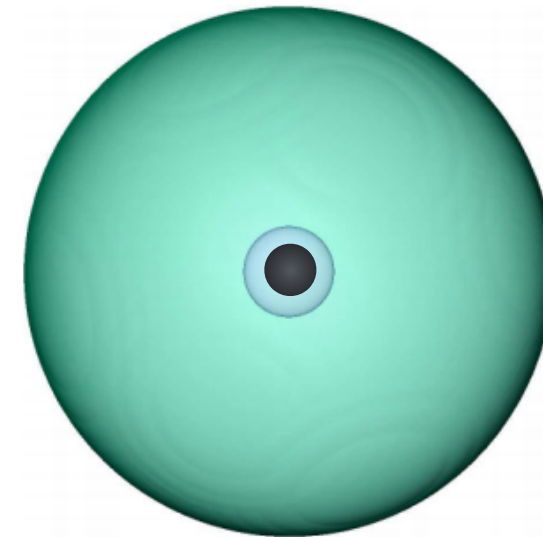
Interesting trend — more massive WDs explode sooner.



# Two New Heavy Dark Matter White Dwarf Ignition Mechanisms

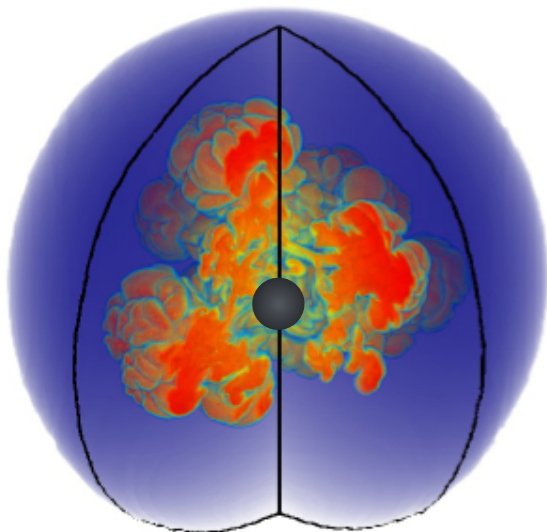


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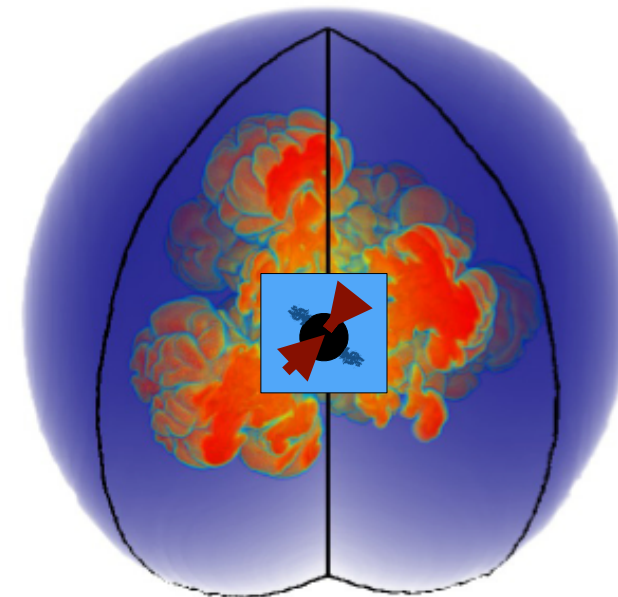
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## **A. Strong Ignition**

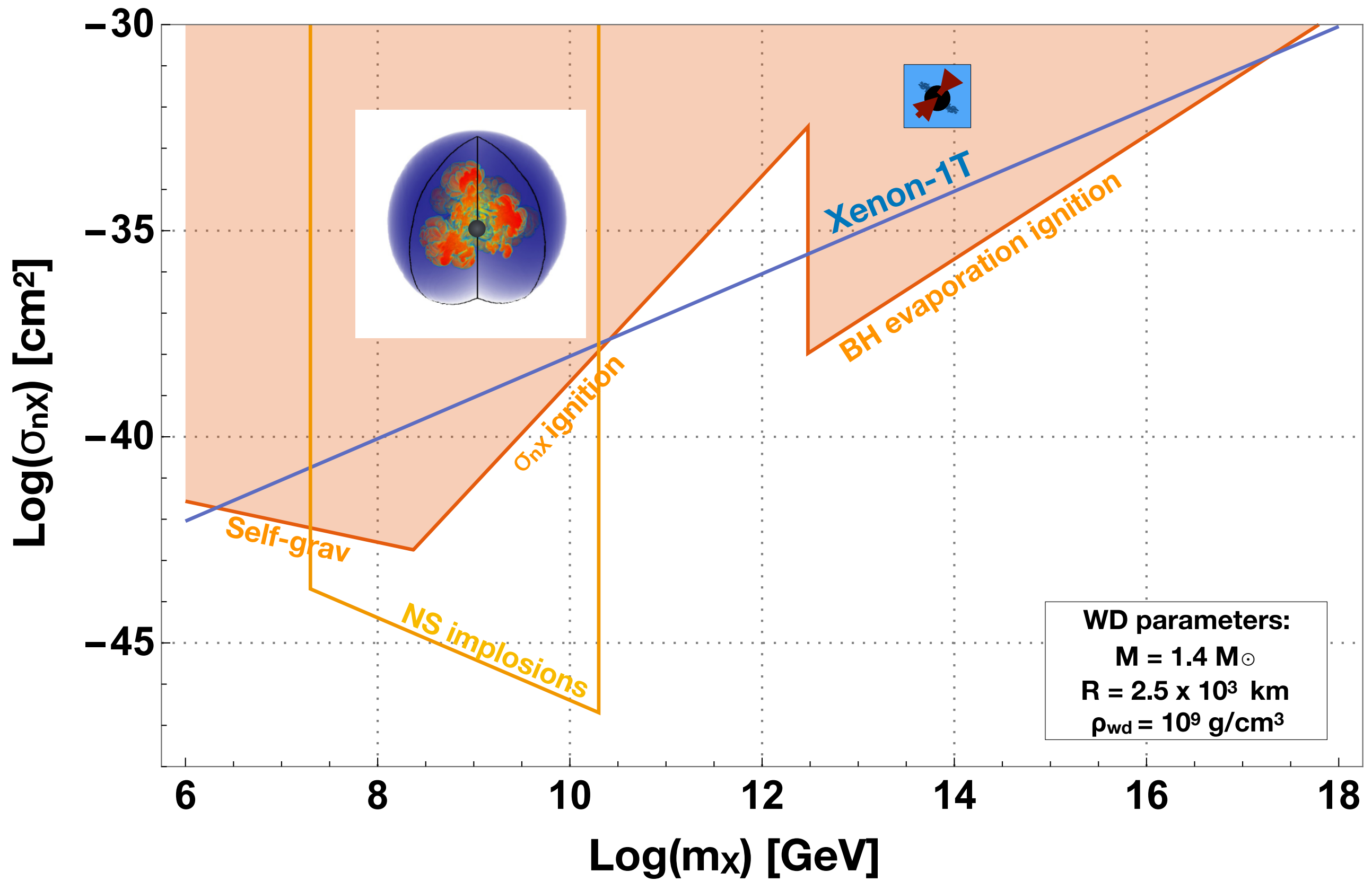


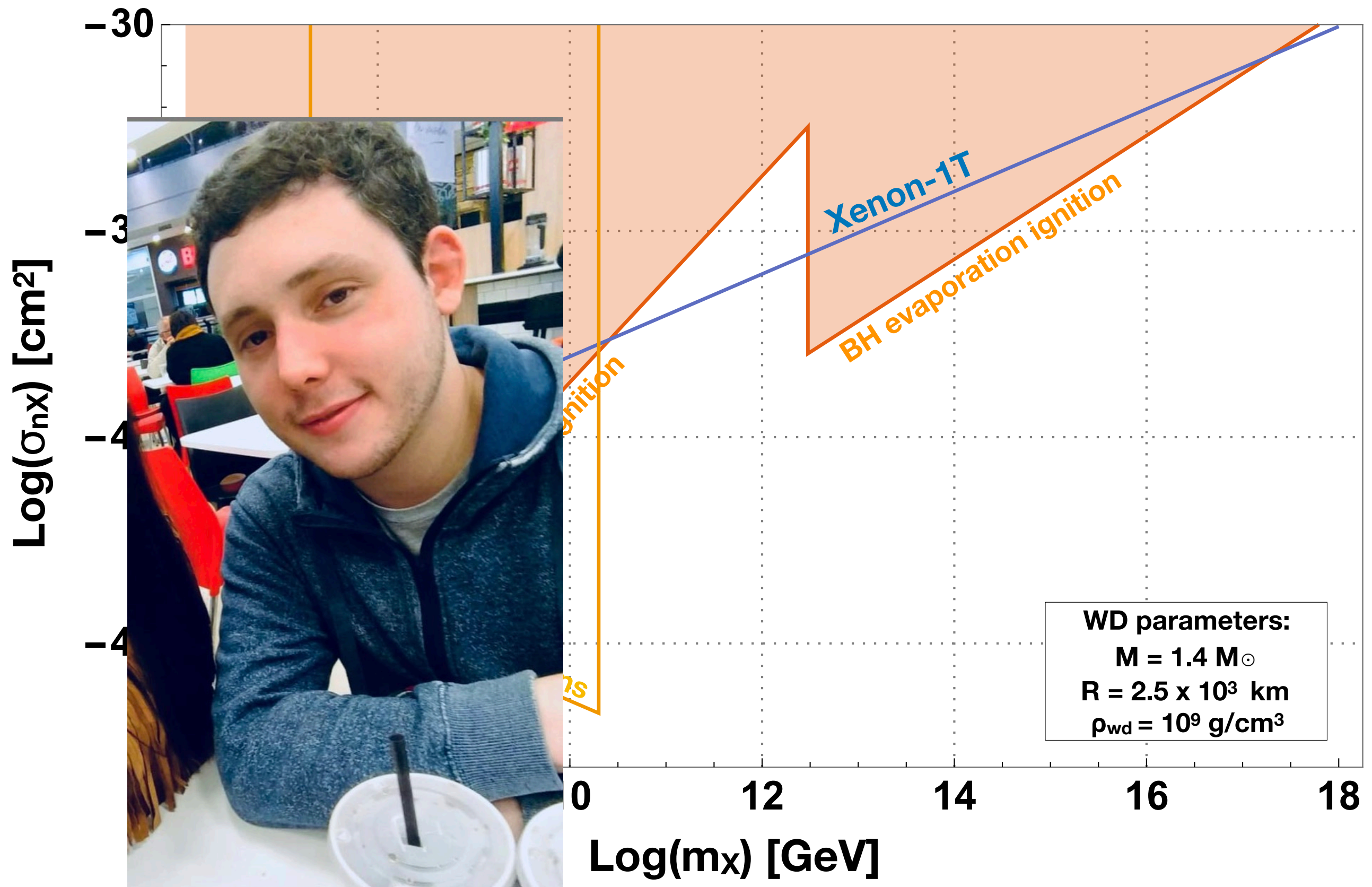
1. Higher dark matter cross-section than required for collapse causes ignition

## **B. Hawking Ignition**

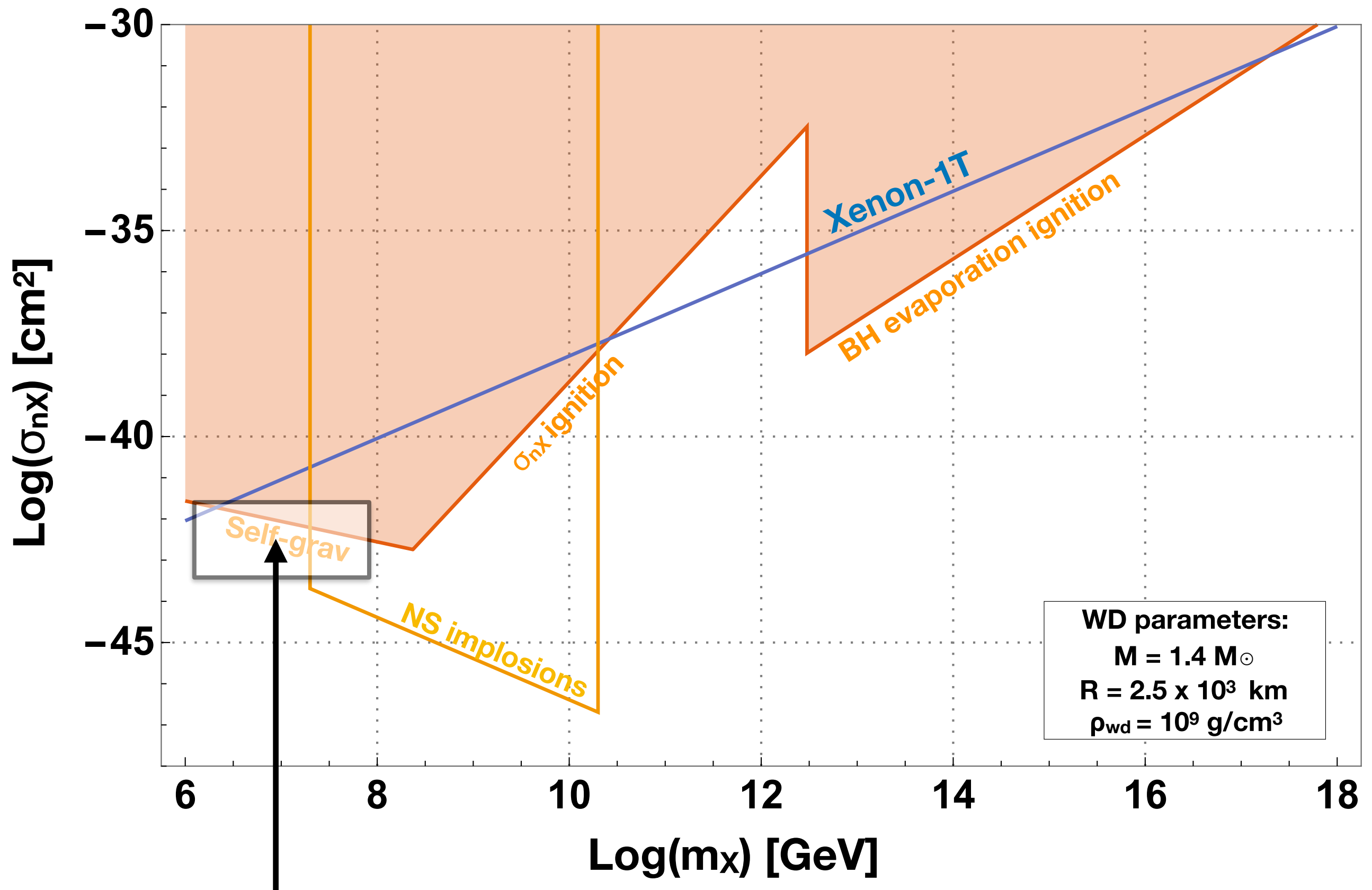


1. No ignition during collapse.
2. Small black hole forms.
3. Evaporating black hole ignites WD.





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Cool parameter space: implodes GC pulsars, type Ia progenitor solution, can be found at next-gen direct detection.

Thanks!