



Simultaneous detection of boosted dark matter and neutrinos from the semi-annihilation at DUNE

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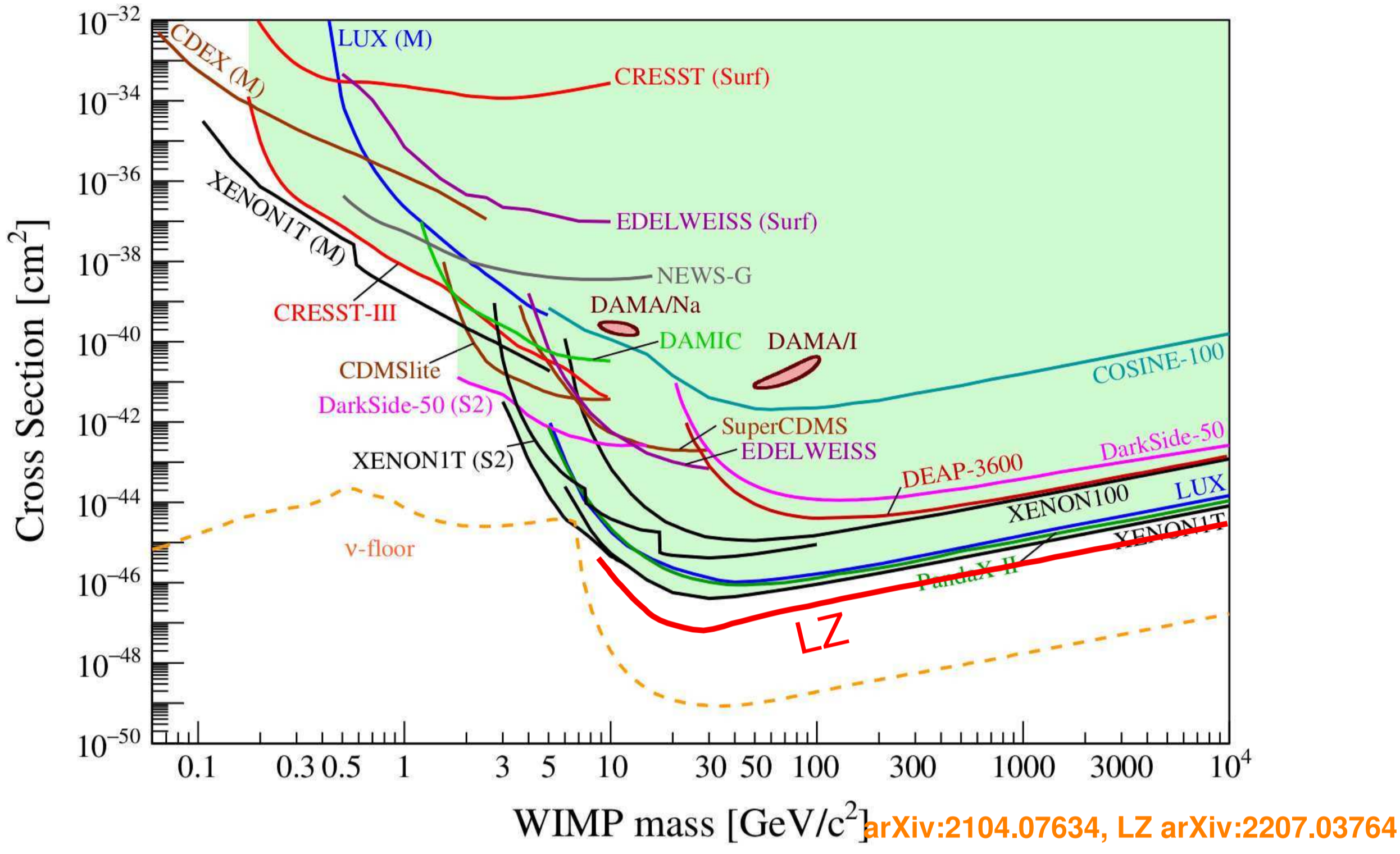
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Introduction

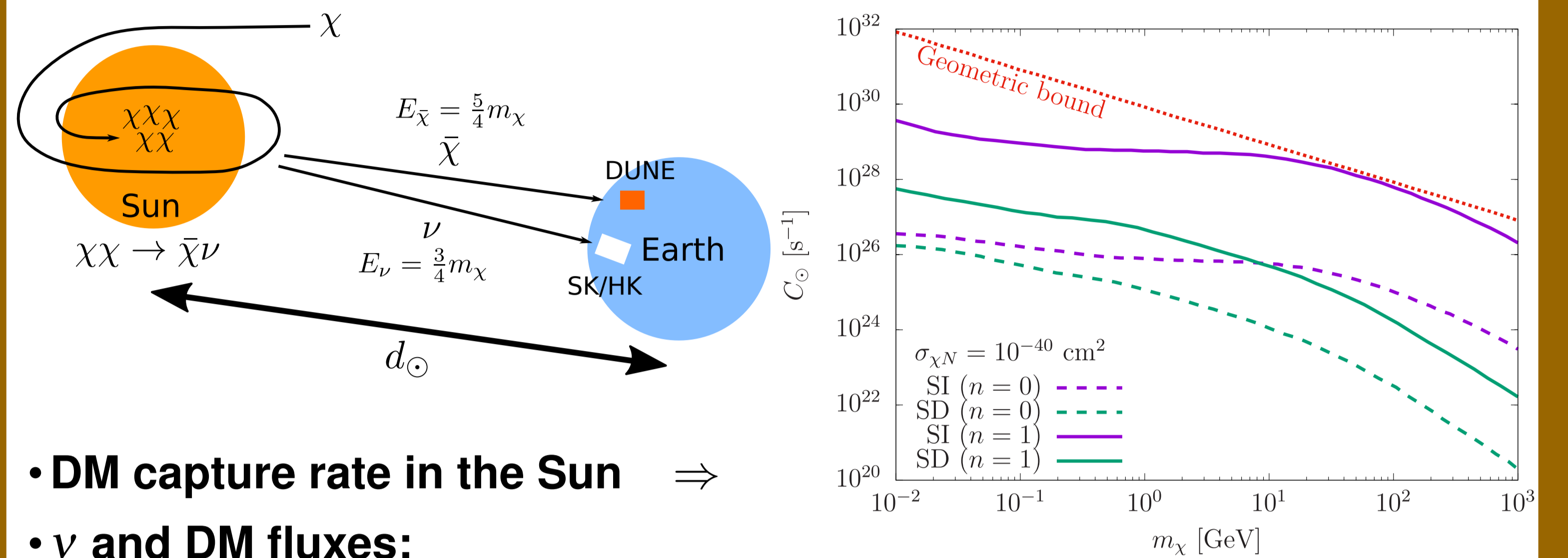
- Thermal DM models are strongly constrained by direct detection experiments.



- Wayout: a momentum dependent cross section such as pNGB DM ($\sigma \propto Q^2$). C. Gross, O. Lebedev, TT, PRL (2017) [arXiv:1708.02253]
- Such a DM candidate can be searched if it is boosted.

Setup

- Consider a semi-annihilation $\chi\chi \rightarrow \nu\bar{\chi}$ (Boost factor: $E_\chi/m_\chi = 1.25$)
- Discuss how to detect the boosted DM coming from the Sun



- DM capture rate in the Sun \Rightarrow
- ν and DM fluxes:

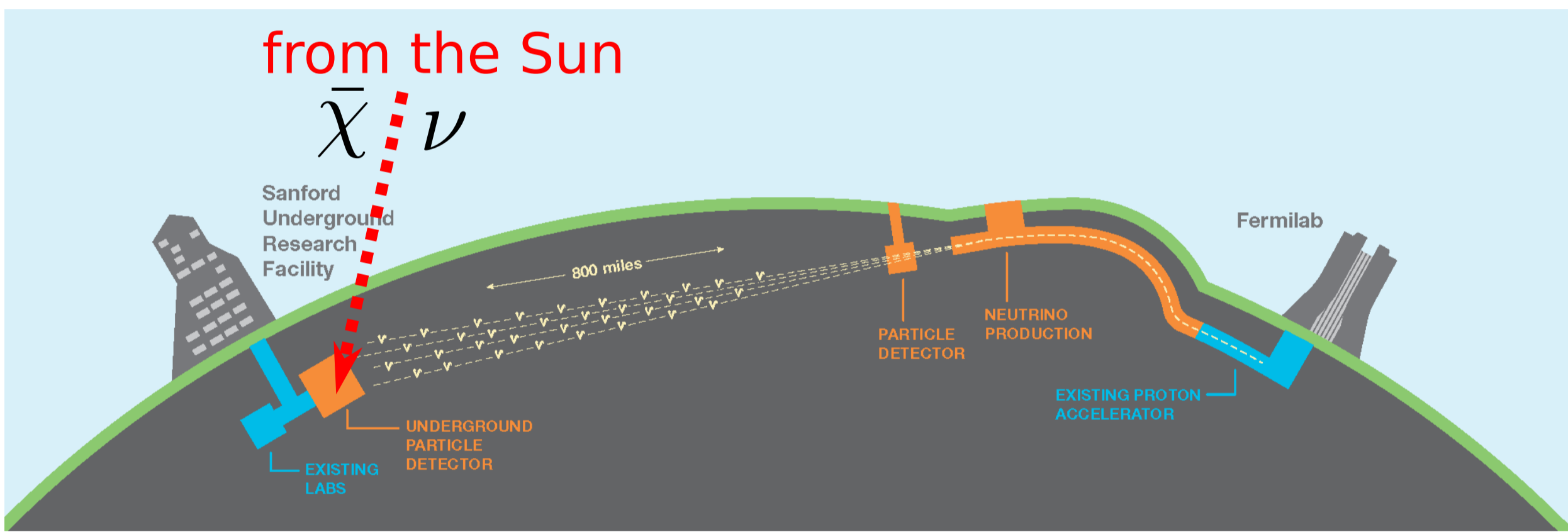
$$\frac{d^2\Phi_\nu}{dE_\nu d\Omega} = \frac{\Gamma_{\text{ann}}}{4\pi d_\odot^2} \delta\left(E_\nu - \frac{3}{4}m_\chi\right) \delta(\Omega - \Omega_\odot)$$

$$\frac{d^2\Phi_\chi}{dE_\chi d\Omega} = \frac{\Gamma_{\text{ann}}}{4\pi d_\odot^2} \delta\left(E_\chi - \frac{5}{4}m_\chi\right) \delta(\Omega - \Omega_\odot)$$

where $\Gamma_{\text{ann}} = C_\odot/2 \propto \sigma_{\chi N}$

- Two simultaneous signals could be found at DUNE ($\chi N \rightarrow \chi N$)

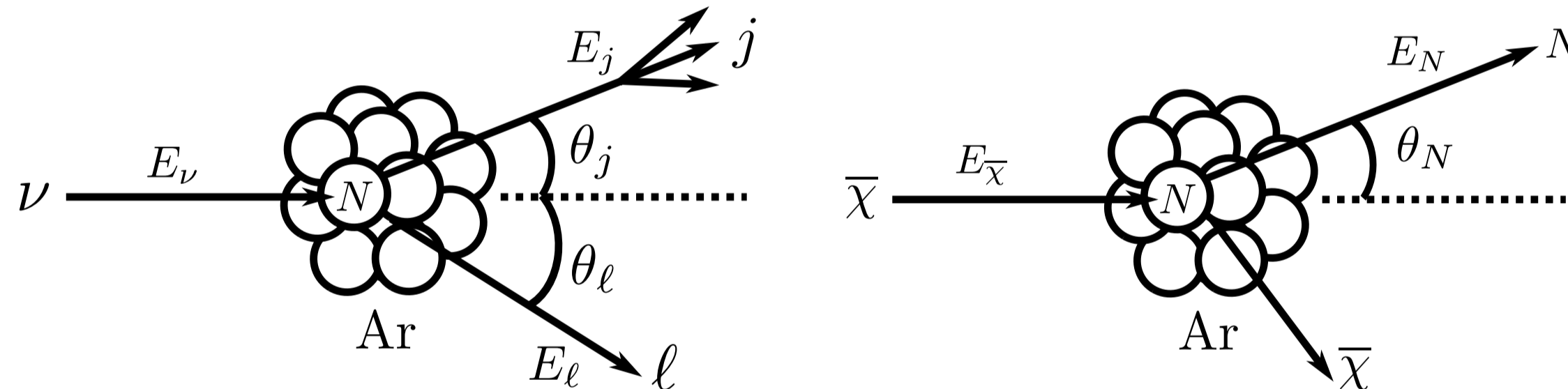
Signal and background



- DUNE experiment will start in 2029 (upgrade 40 kton Ar in 2035)
- Take into account energy thresholds, energy/angular resolutions (1° for charged leptons, 5° for nucleons)
- Use GENIE to generate events



- $\frac{d\sigma_{\chi N}}{dQ^2} = \frac{\sigma_0 s}{4m_N^2 |p_\chi|^2} \left(\frac{Q^2}{m_N^2 v_0^2}\right)^n |F(Q^2)|^2$ ($\sigma_{\chi N} \propto \text{const}, Q^2, Q^4$)
- Number of events: $N_\nu \sim N_N T \sigma_{\nu N} \Phi_\nu$, $N_\chi \sim N_N T \sigma_{\chi N} \Phi_\chi$
- Main background: atmospheric $\nu \Rightarrow$ HAKKM model arXiv: 1502.03916



Energy reconstruction

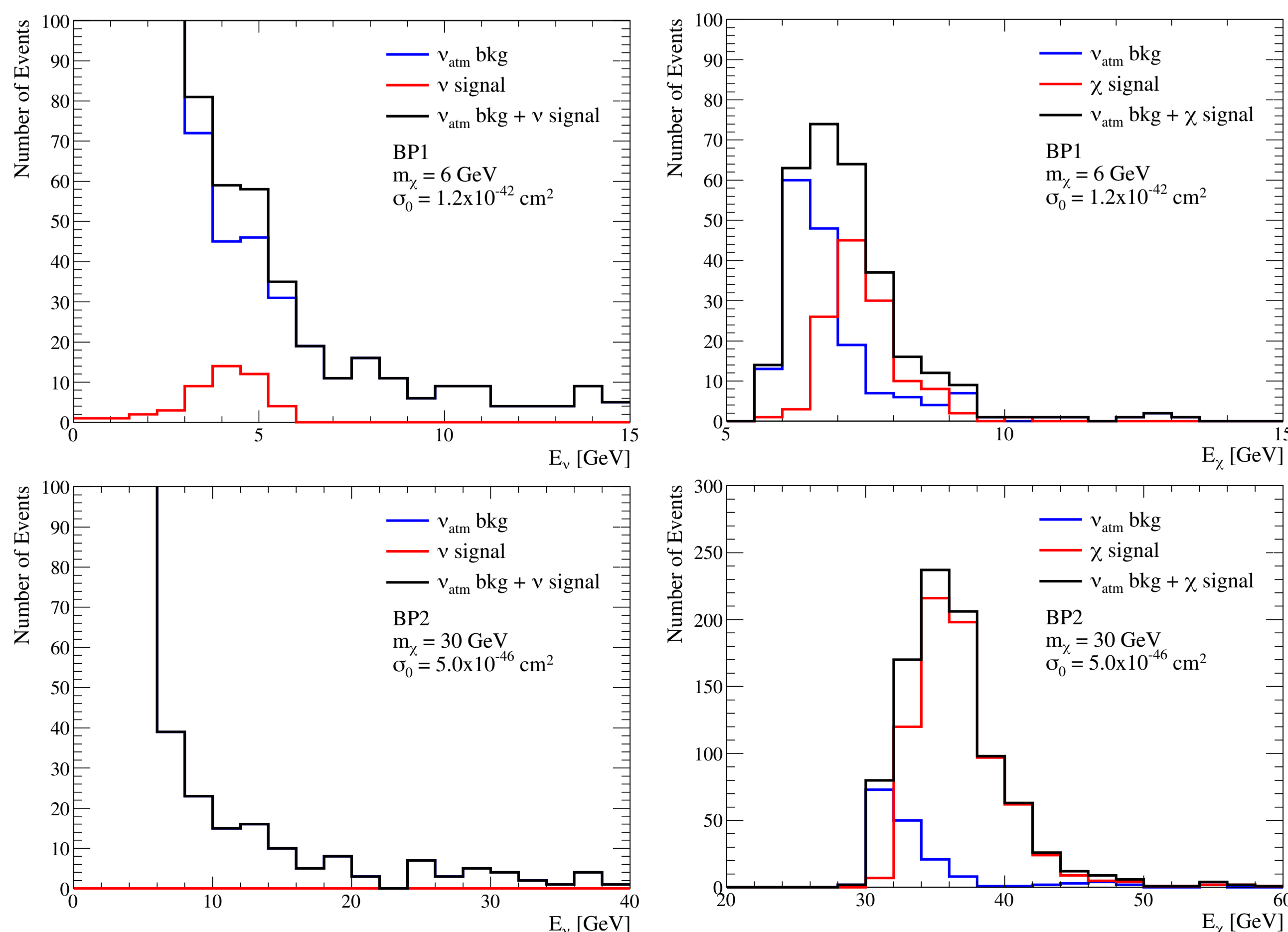
$$E_\nu = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin\theta_j(1+\cos\theta_\ell) + \sin\theta_\ell(1+\cos\theta_j)}{\sin\theta_j} E_\ell$$

$$E_\chi = m_N \frac{1 + \alpha \cos\theta_N \sqrt{1 - \beta + \alpha^2 \beta \cos^2\theta_N}}{-1 + \alpha^2 \cos^2\theta_N}$$

where $\alpha = \sqrt{(E_N + m_N)/(E_N - m_N)} > 1$ and $\beta = m_\chi^2/m_N^2 > 1$

Energy reconstruction

	model	m_χ [GeV]	σ_0 [cm ²]	# of ν events	# of χ events
BP1	SD ($n=1$)	6	1.2×10^{-42}	$N_{\text{atm}\nu}^{\text{CC}} = 54/2070$ $N_\nu^{\text{CC}} = 18/47$	$N_{\text{atm}\nu}^{\text{NC}} = 98/994$ $N_\chi = 113/372$
BP2	SD ($n=2$)	30	5.0×10^{-46}	$N_{\text{atm}\nu}^{\text{CC}} = 1/2070$ $N_\nu^{\text{CC}} = 0/0$	$N_{\text{atm}\nu}^{\text{NC}} = 18/994$ $N_\chi = 405/2117$



- Observed/Expected
- True energies
BP1: $E_\nu = 4.5$ GeV
 $E_\chi = 7.5$ GeV
BP2: $E_\nu = 22.5$ GeV
 $E_\chi = 37.5$ GeV
- Simultaneous detection of two signals is possible for BP1
- A large number of DM events for BP2. But no signal for ν . \Rightarrow HK, IceCube/DeepCore

Summary

- DUNE has sensitivity for moderately boosted DM ($v_\chi = 0.6$)
- Simultaneous detection of neutrinos and boosted DM signals at DUNE is possible if DM mass is below 8 GeV.
- Event for larger DM mass, it is possible to detect two signals separately combining with the other experiments such as HK.

