

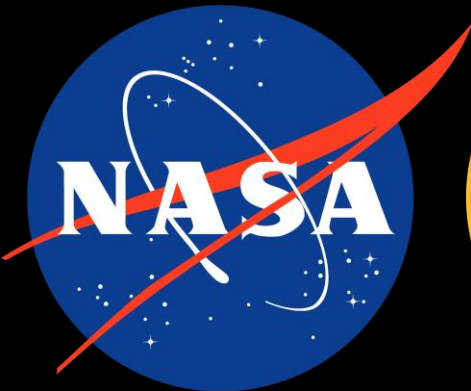
# Jupiter Missions as Probes of Dark Matter

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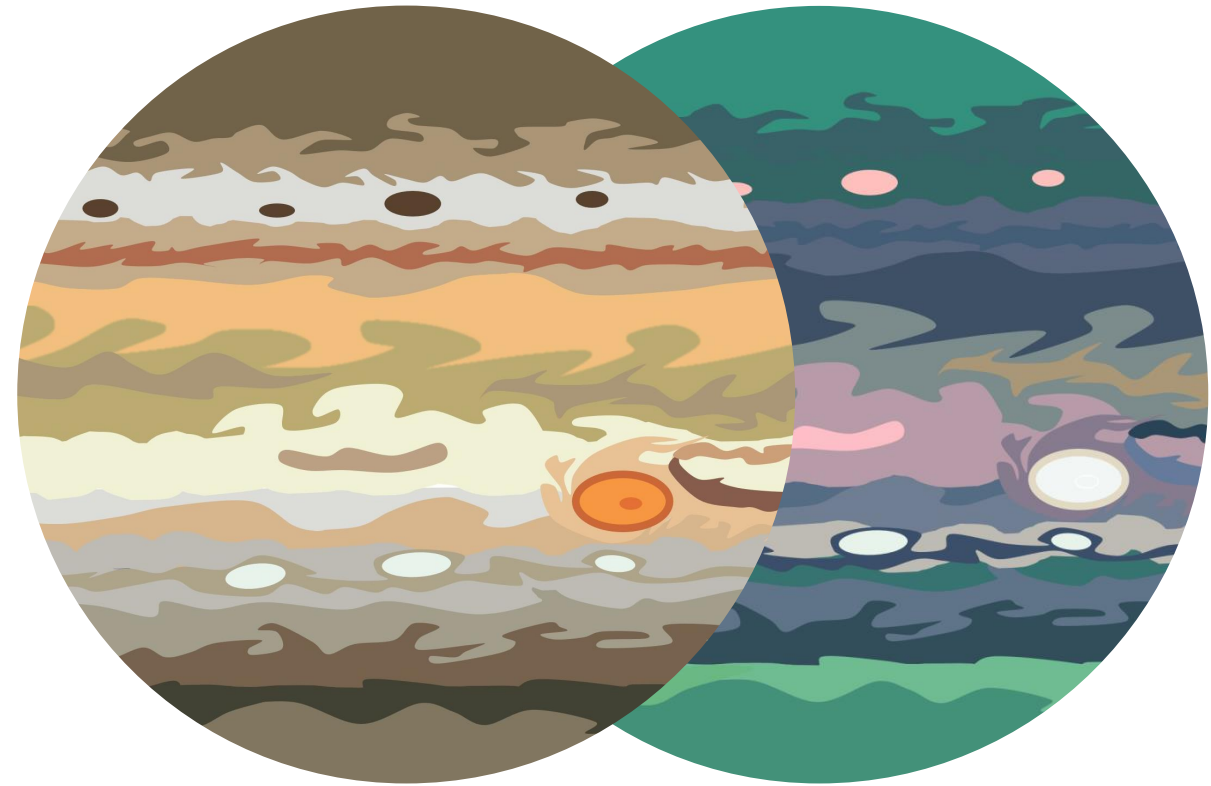
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Based on [arXiv:2207.13709](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.13709) with Jiji Fan



# Outline

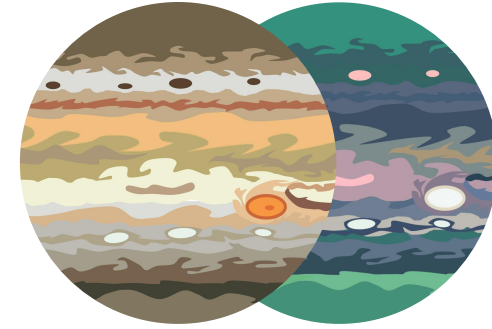
- Introduction
  - About Jupiter
  - About DM
- DM capture by Jupiter and annihilation
- Motion & flux of electron in the magnetosphere
- Numerical results
- Summary & outlook



"HST" (VIS)

"JWST" (IR)

# Why Jupiter?



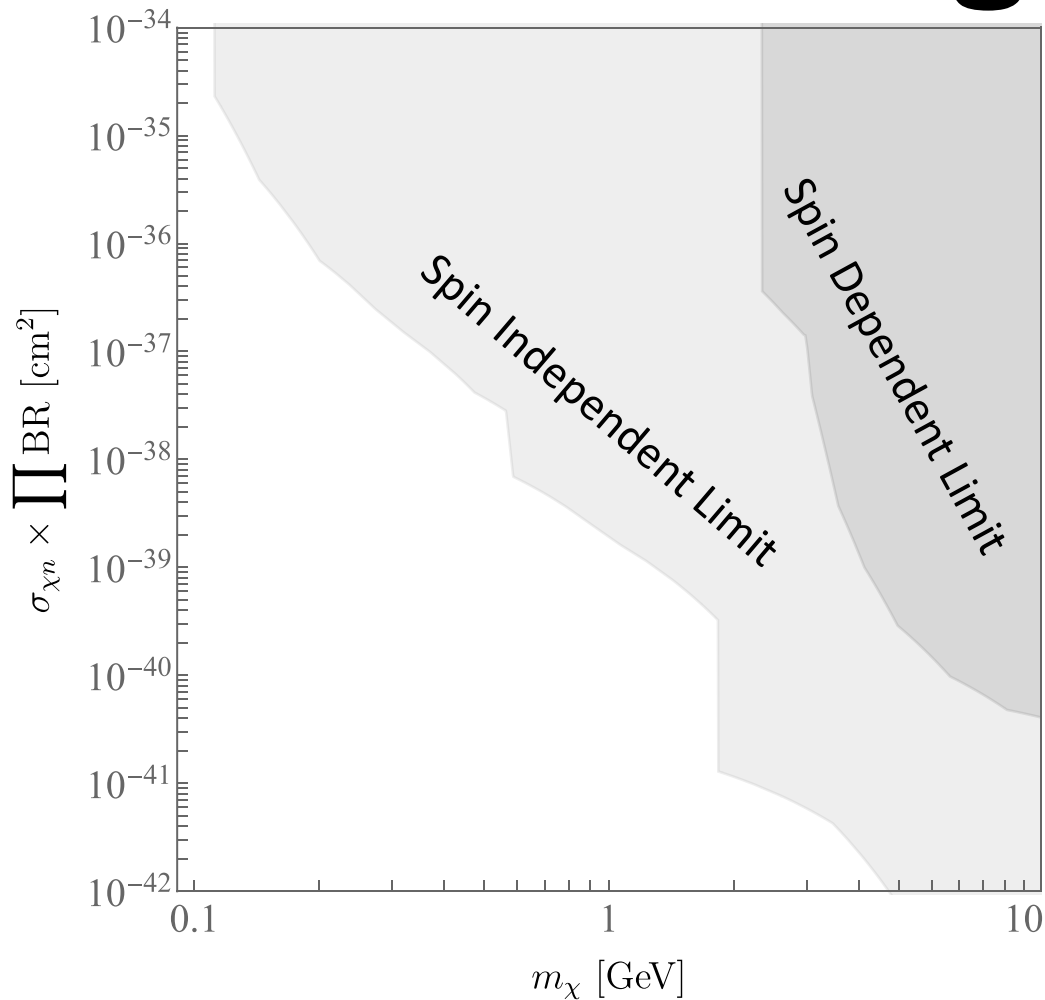
- ❑ Most massive planet in the solar system: a big detector
- ❑ “Clean” background: not as active as a star
- ❑ Relatively close: easier for both *in situ* and *ex situ* measurements
- ❑ A small and thin main ring


# Towards *in situ* Measurements

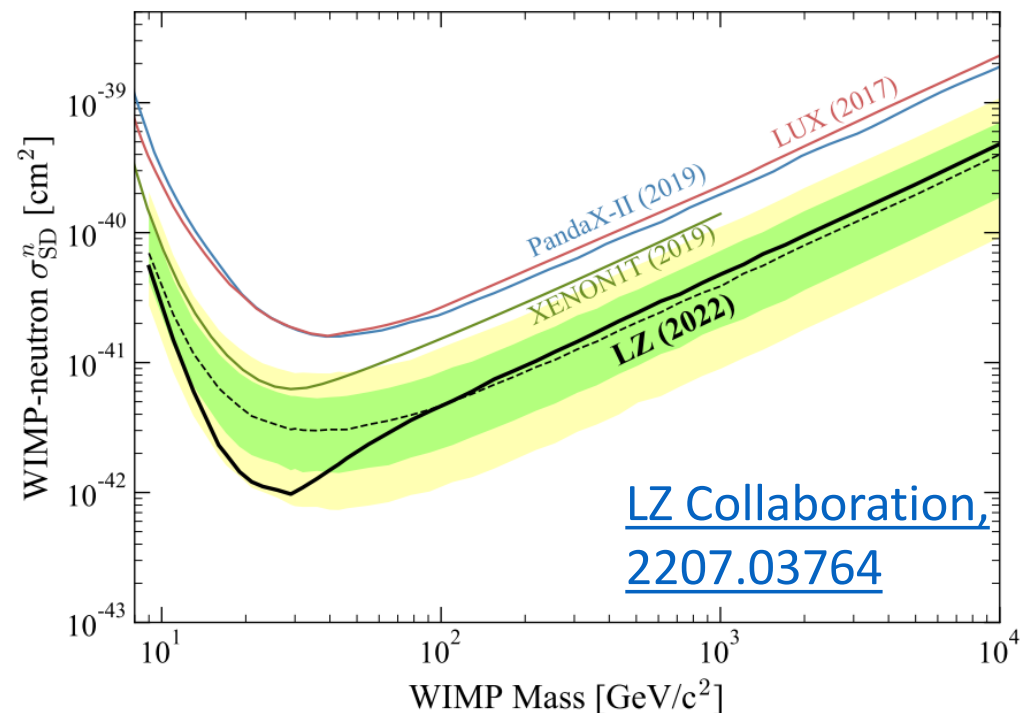
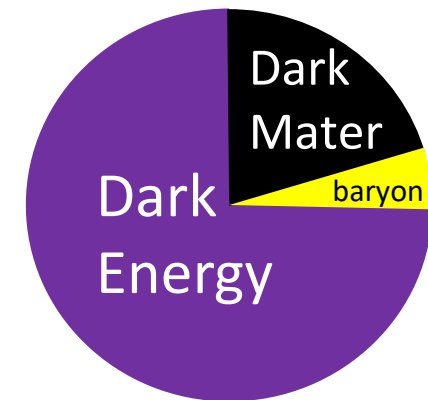


A lot of data,  
but for HEP? 4

# Dark Matter in the GeV Range



May I skip this part? 



Direct detection bounds weakens for light DM as the recoiling energy softens

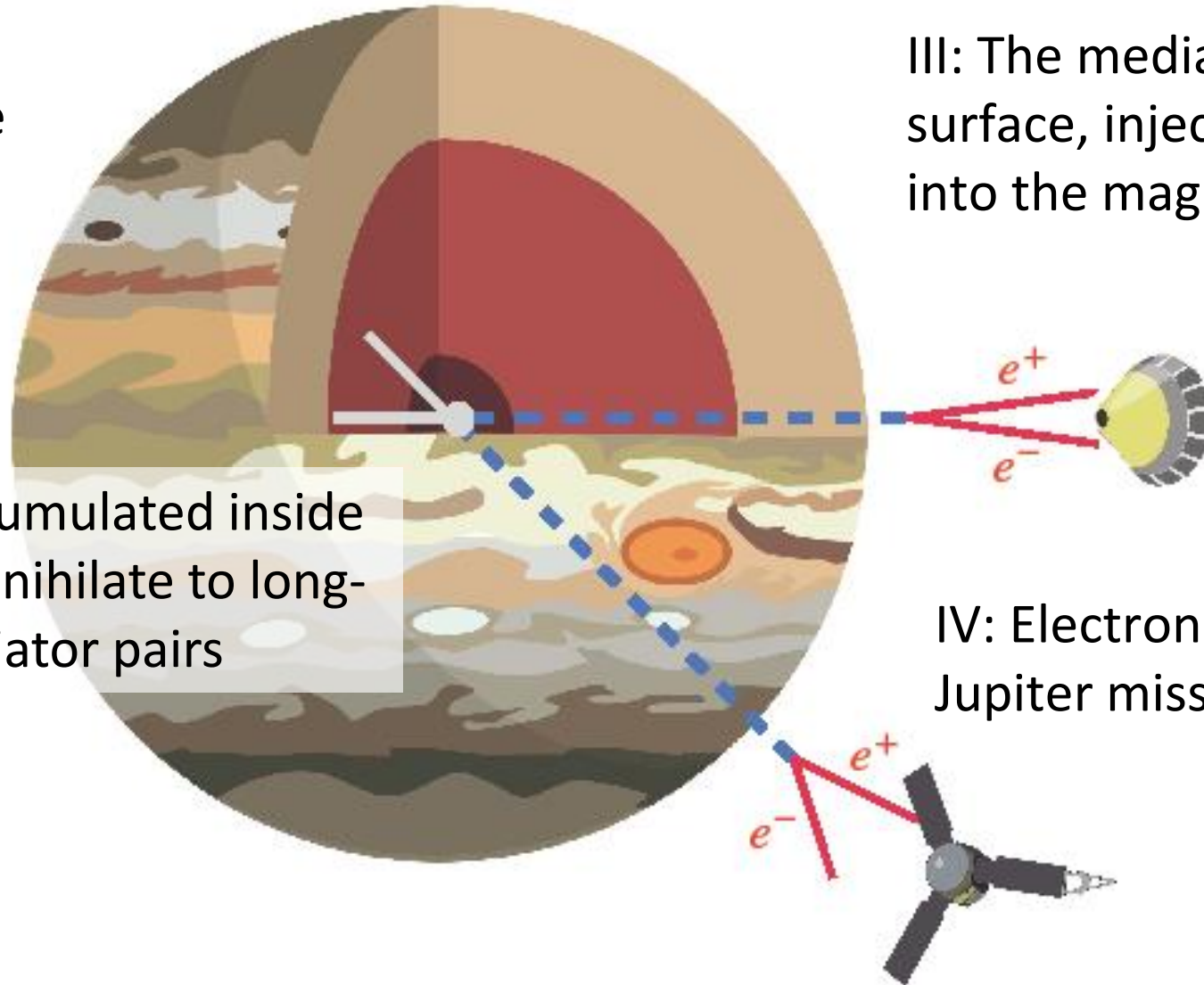
# In a Nutshell

I: DM captured by the potential well after elastic scatterings

II: DM accumulated inside Jupiter, annihilate to long-lived mediator pairs

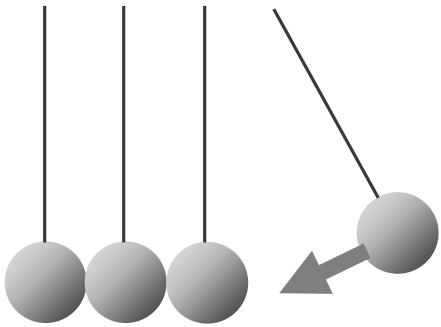
III: The mediators reach the surface, injecting hard electrons into the magnetosphere

IV: Electron flux detected by Jupiter missions



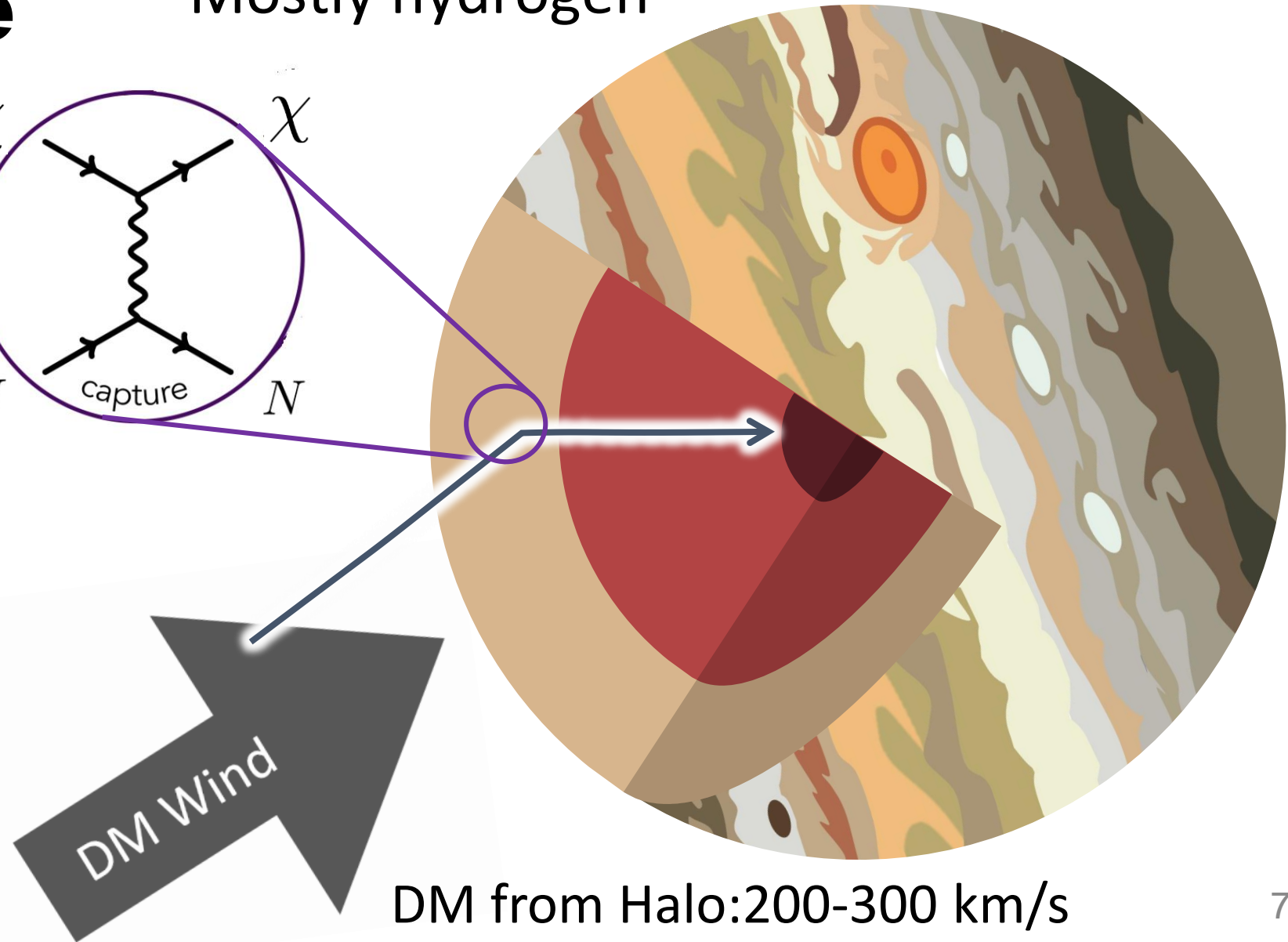
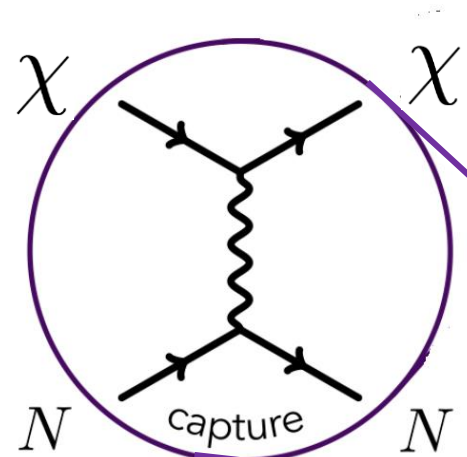
# DM Capture

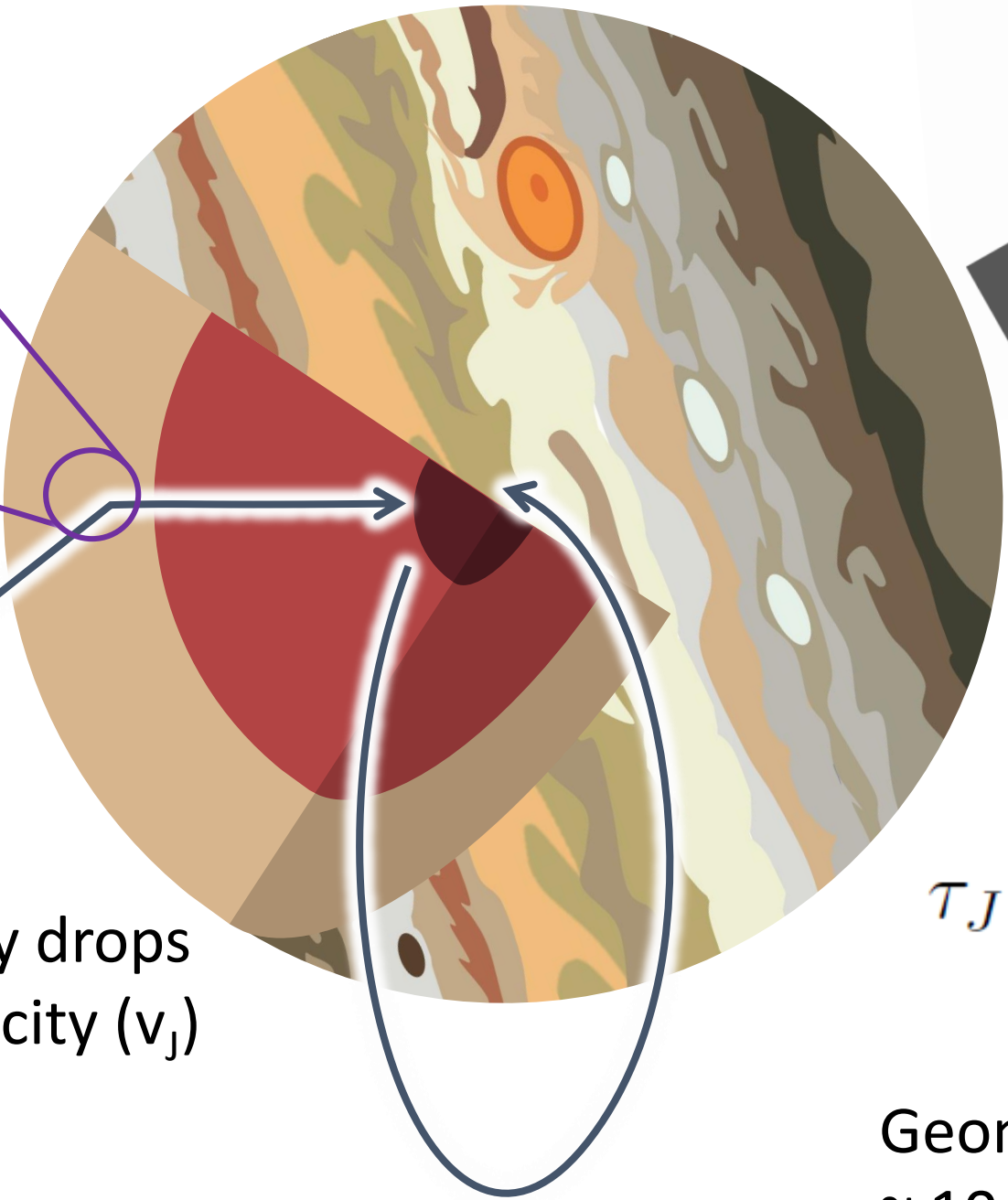
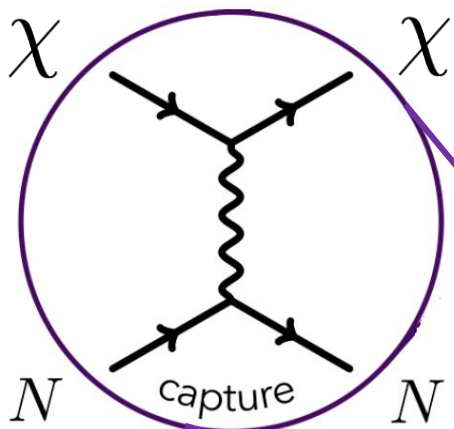
DM transfers energy to nucleons by scattering and slows down



Most efficient when  $m_\chi \sim 1\text{GeV}$ , comparable to nucleon masses

Mostly hydrogen





Optically thin in our case

DM-nucleon scattering Xsec

$$\tau_J = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\sigma_{\chi n}}{\sigma_{\text{sat}}} \ll 1$$

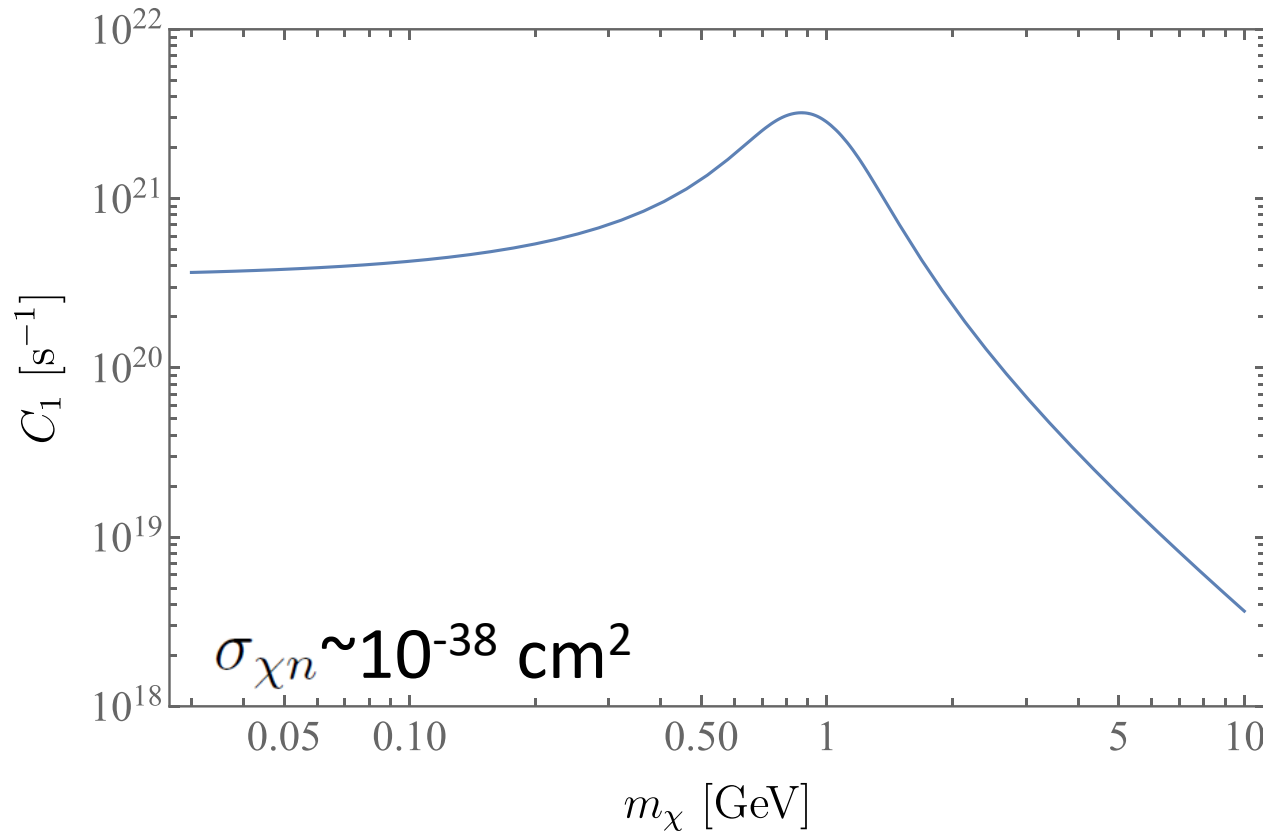
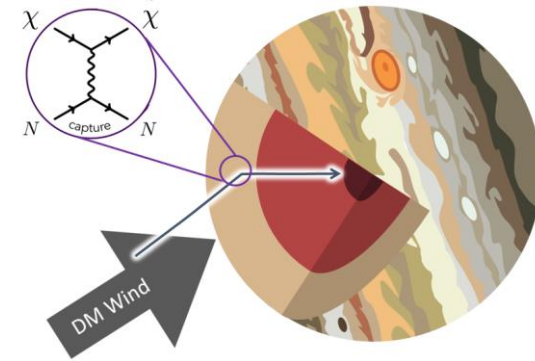
Geometric saturation Xsec  
 $\sim 10^{-34} \text{ cm}^2$

Captured once velocity drops below the escape velocity ( $v_J$ ) ( $\sim 60 \text{ km/s}$  at surface)



# DM Capture Rate

Single scattering rate following [A. Gould, Astrophys. J., 321, 1987](#)



For multiple scattering, see

[J. Bramante, A. Delgado A. Martin, 1703.04043](#)

[C. Ilie, J. Pilawa, S. Zhang, 2005.05946](#)

Spin dependent scattering  
for weaker constraints: axial-  
vector type interaction

$$\frac{g_\chi g_q}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \chi) (\bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma^5 q)$$

$$\sigma_{\chi n} \approx 3.8 \times 10^{-39} \text{ cm}^2 \left( \frac{\mu_{\chi n}}{\text{GeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{g_\chi g_q}{10^{-3}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{10 \text{ GeV}}{\Lambda} \right)^4 \text{ without violating collider bounds}$$

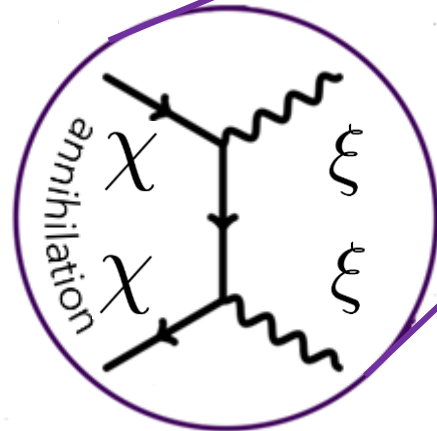
# DM Annihilation inside Jupiter

Multiple scattering after capture, high density around the core

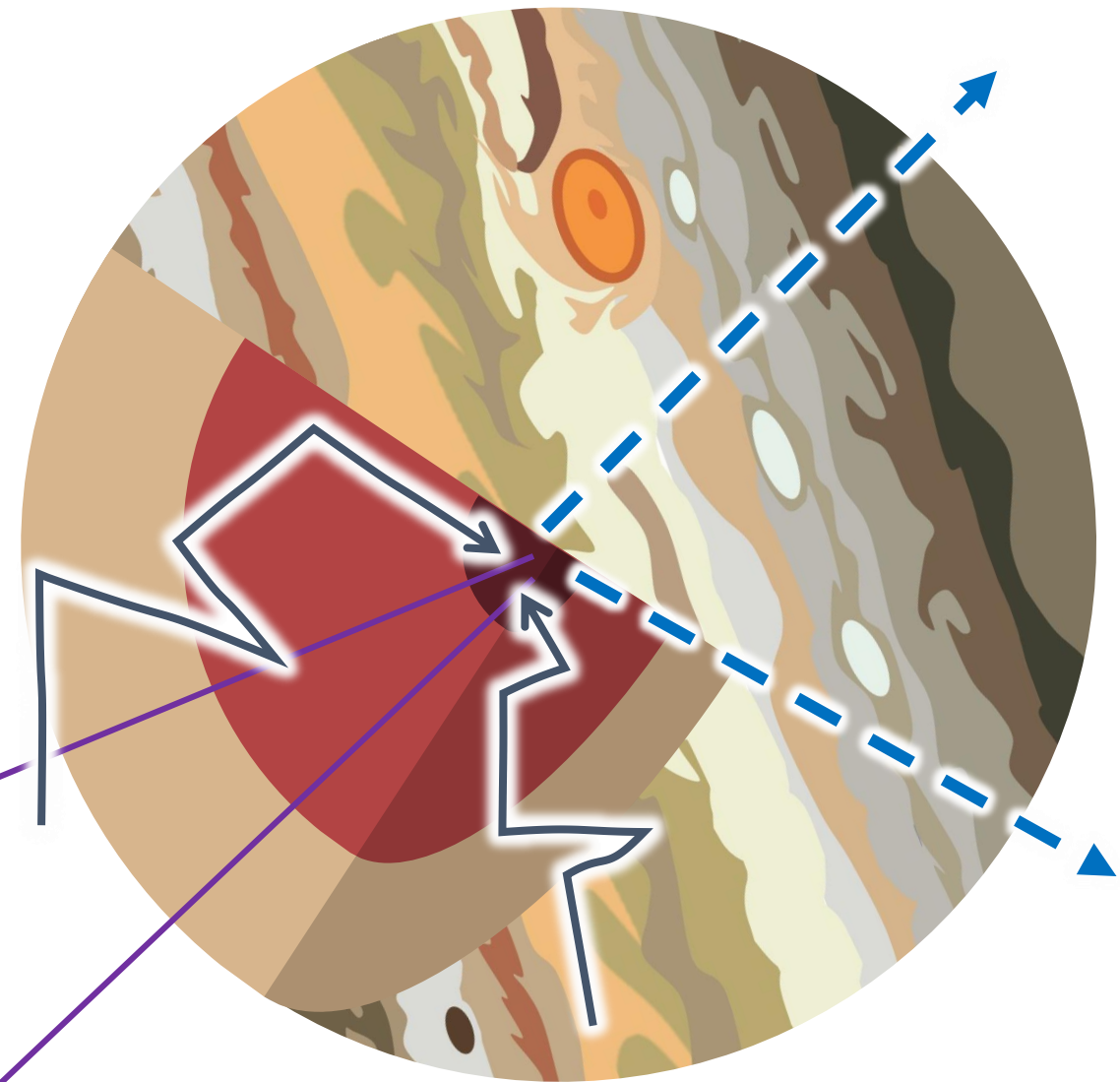
$\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v \rangle \lesssim O(10^{-27}) \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , mostly from CMB spectrum distortion

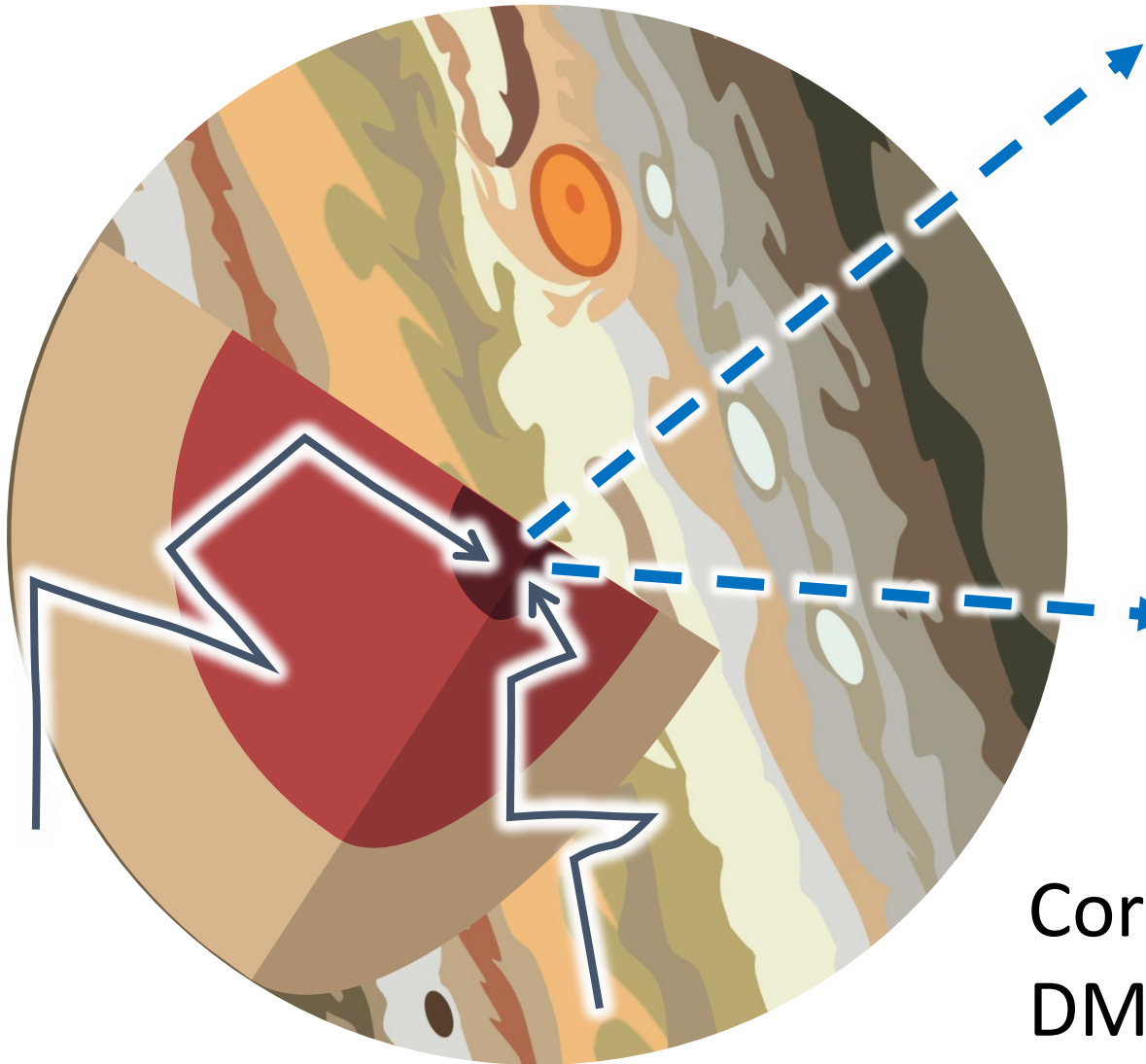
[R. K. Leane, T. R. Slatyer, J. F. Beacom, K. C. Y. Ng, 1805.10305](#)

2→2 annihilation to long-lived messengers  $\xi$



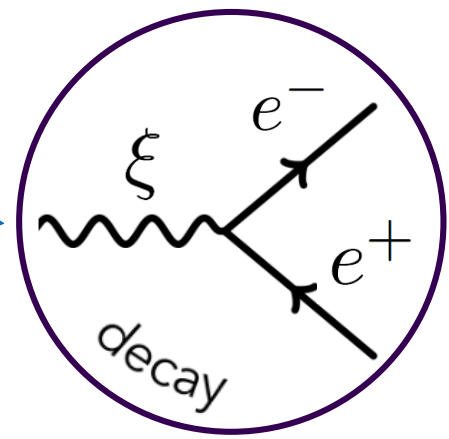
$\bar{\chi}\chi \rightarrow \bar{q}q$  through  $\frac{g_\chi g_q}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{\chi}\gamma^\mu\gamma^5\chi) (\bar{q}\gamma_\mu\gamma^5q)$  is “forbidden”, suppressed by  $m_\chi^2 m_q^2 / \Lambda^4$  &  $(g_\chi g_q)^2$





For a dark photon with kinetic mixing  $\epsilon$  to SM photon,  $c\tau \sim O(10^4)$  km means  $\epsilon < 10^{-9}$ :

- Very elusive for lab experiments
- Too small for DM capture
- Go though Jupiter easily

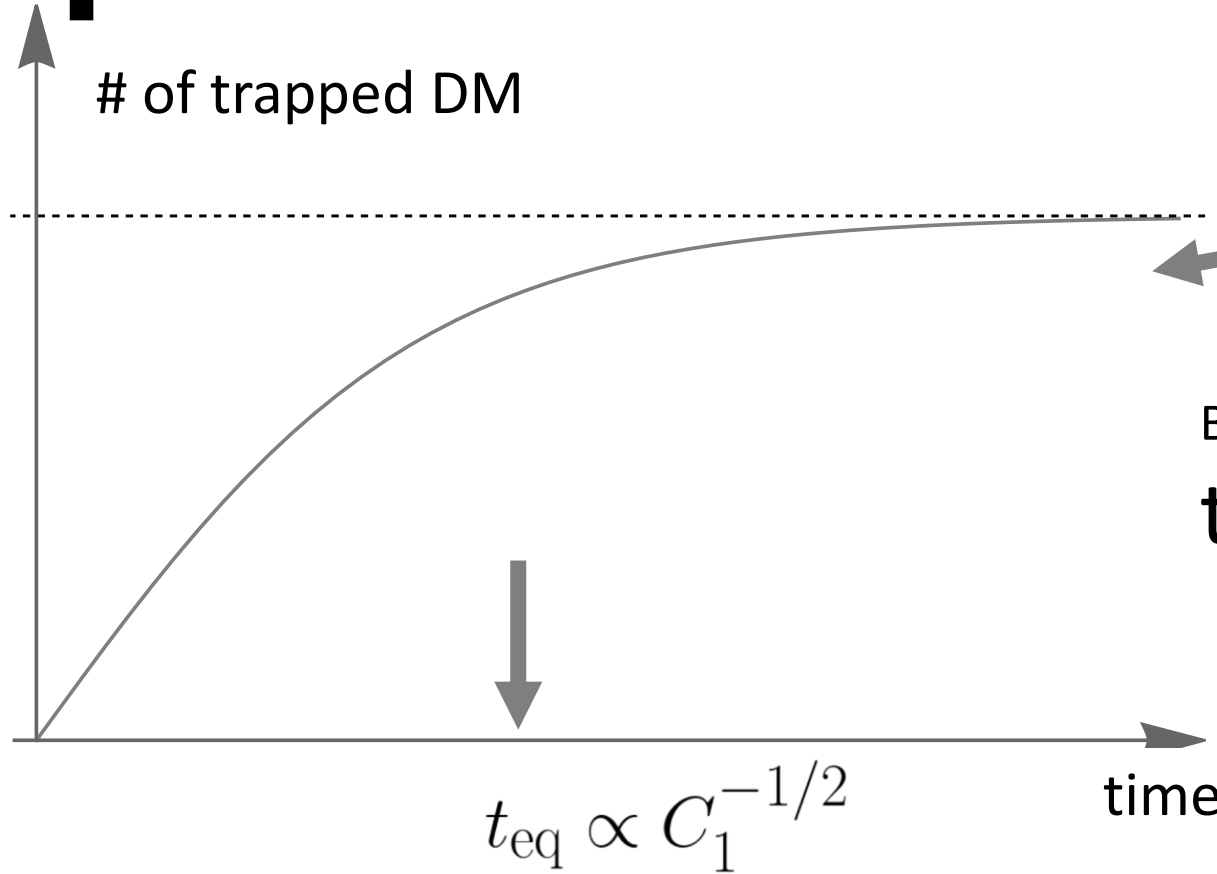
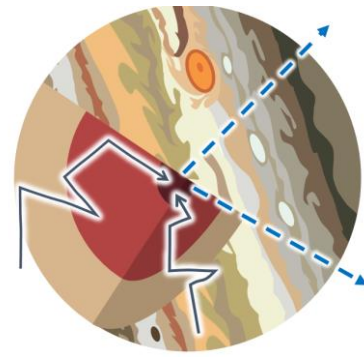


Decay to electrons: also final states for leptonic ( $\mu \rightarrow e\nu$ ) & hadronic ( $\pi \rightarrow \mu\nu, K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ )

Correction due to branching ratios of DM annihilation & mediator decays

$$\prod \text{BR} \equiv \text{BR}(2\chi \rightarrow 2\xi) \times \text{BR}(\xi \rightarrow e^+e^-)$$

# Equilibrium and Evaporation



Equilibrium: Capture rate simply = annihilation rate/2

Benchmark ( $m_\chi = 1$  GeV)

$$t_{\text{eq}} \sim 10^{16} \text{ sec}$$

$\gg$

Jupiter lifetime

$$t_j \sim 1.5 \times 10^{17} \text{ sec}$$

As DM thermalizes, they “leak out” via exponential tails in kinematic distributions:

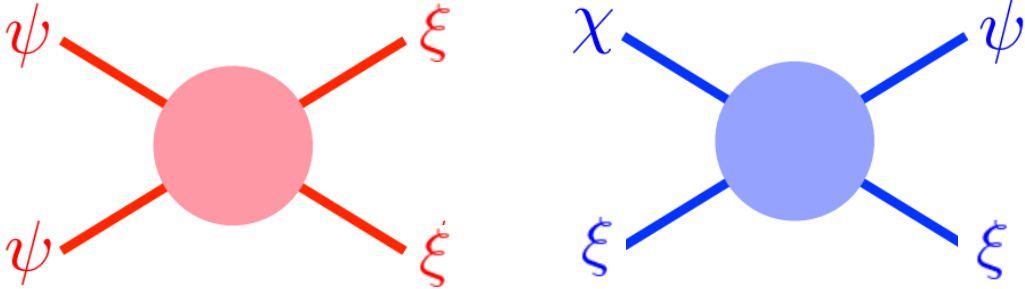
DM lighter than  $\sim 1$  GeV evaporates significantly [A. Gould, 1990](#)

[R. Garani, S. Palomares-Ruiz, 2104.12757](#)

# A Right $\Omega_{\text{CDM}}$ ?

Small annihilation for “WIMP miracle”, may overclose the universe

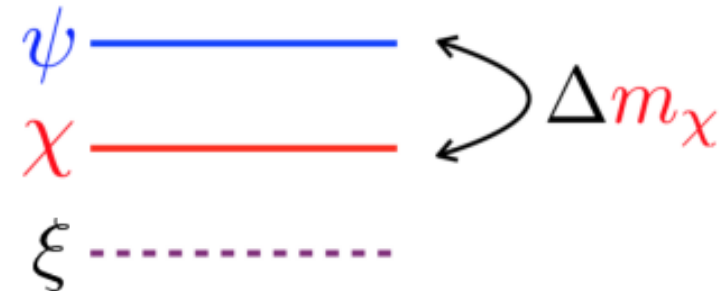
Thermal way out: dark partner ( $\psi$ ) with stronger coupling to the mediator:



## Coannihilation / Cospattering

[M. Garny, J. Heisig, B. Lülf, S. Vogl, 1705.09292](#)  
[R. D’Agnolo, D. Pappadopulo, J. Ruderman, 1705.08450](#)  
[R. D’Agnolo, C. Mondino, J. Ruderman, P. Wang 1803.02901](#)  
[H.C. Cheng, LFL, R. Zheng 1805.12139](#) .....

Exponentially sensitive to the mass gap and the mediator mass, large flexibility.....



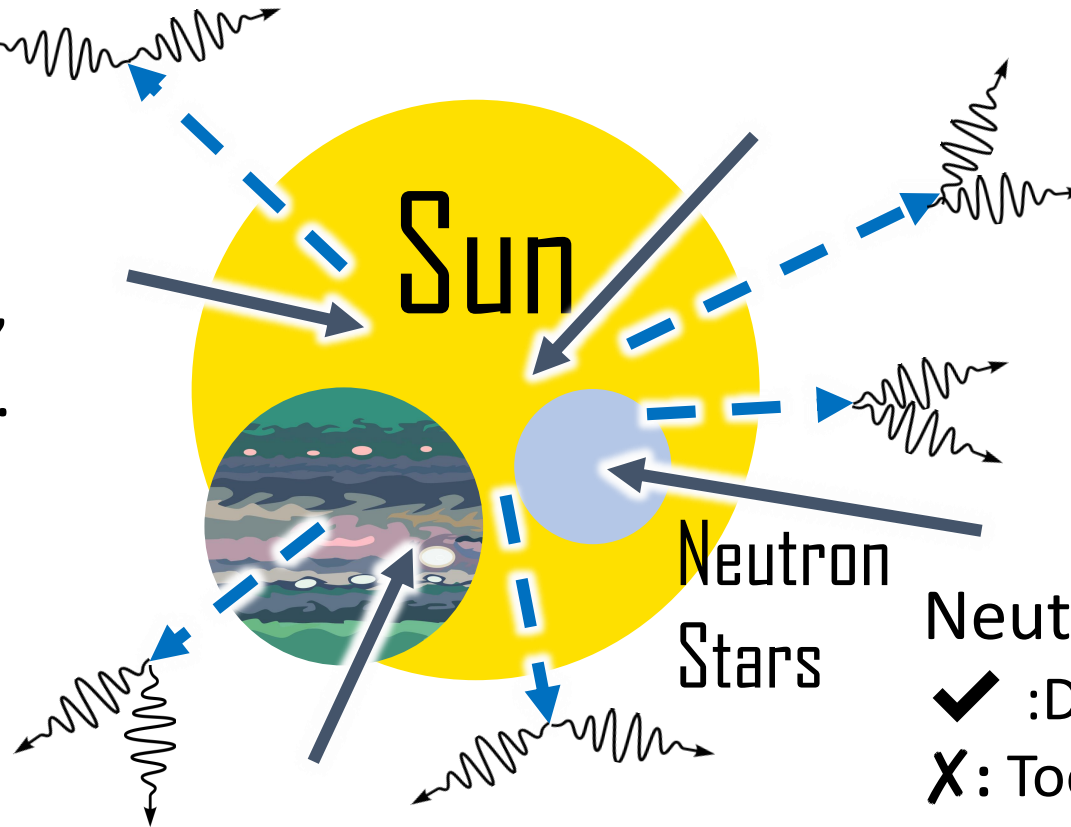
Non-thermal way out: early matter domination diluting DM generated

\* We stay agnostic about DM production in this talk

# Previous Studies on DM Capture

Gamma-Ray signals are most studied:

- ❑ Good *ex situ* potential, e.g., Fermi-LAT, HAWC.
- ❑ Easy to understand: Photons travel in straight lines
- ❑ Spectroscopy & morphology



The Sun

- ✓ : Massive and close.
- X : Higher background, high temperature that evaporates light DM

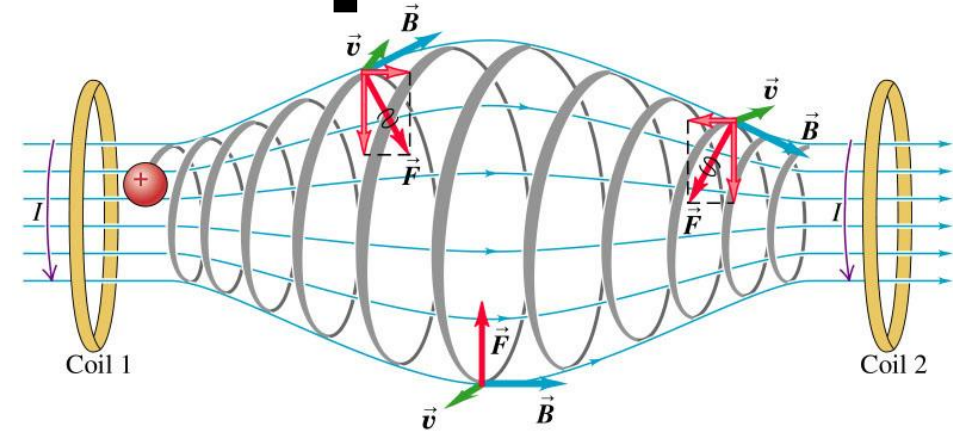
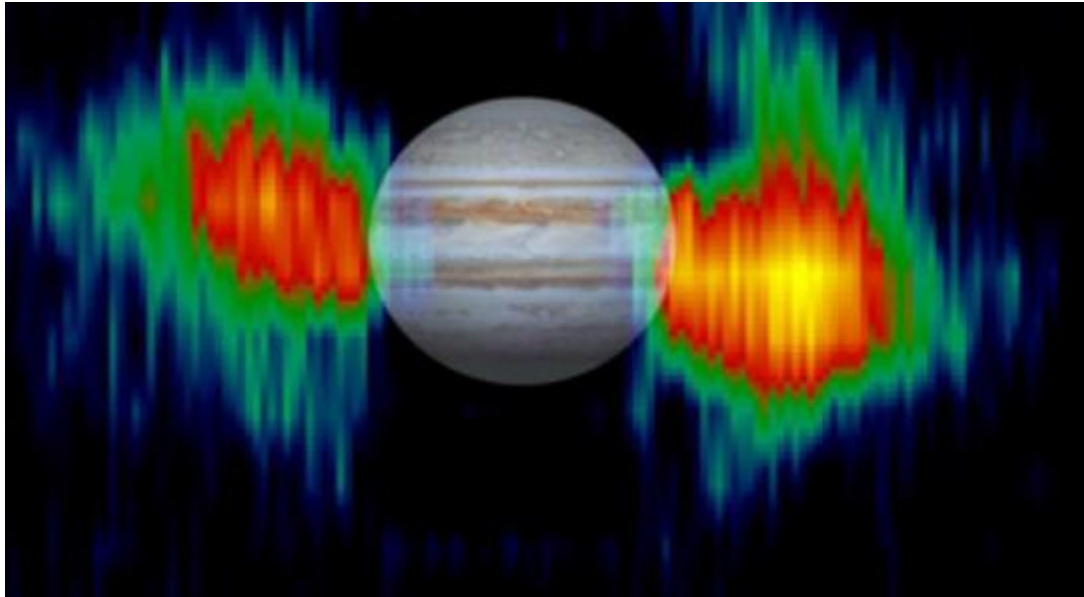
Neutron stars:

- ✓ : Dense and massive
- X : Too far away & systematics

[N. Giglietto, 0907.0541](#) [B. Batell, M. Pospelov, A. Ritz, Y. Shang, 0910.1567](#) [P. Schuster, N. Toro, N. Weiner, I. Yavin, 0910.1839](#) [J. L. Feng, J. Smolinsky, P. Tanedo 1602.01465](#) [V. Brdar, J. Kopp, J. Liu, 1607.04278](#) [R. K. Leane, K. C. Y. Ng, J. F. Beacom, 1703.04629](#) [HAWC collaboration, 1808.05624](#) [R. K. Leane, T. Linden, 2104.02068](#) and many more!

# Motion in the Magnetosphere

Electrons/positrons produced will be held by the magnetic bottle effect.



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Trapped inside for a long time ( $\gg$  sec) rather than escaping

→ The origin of the radiation belt

# Three basic modes inside an approximate dipole field

Lorentz force

□ **Gyration** around field lines ( $\gg$  kHz)

Magnetic mirror/bottle effect

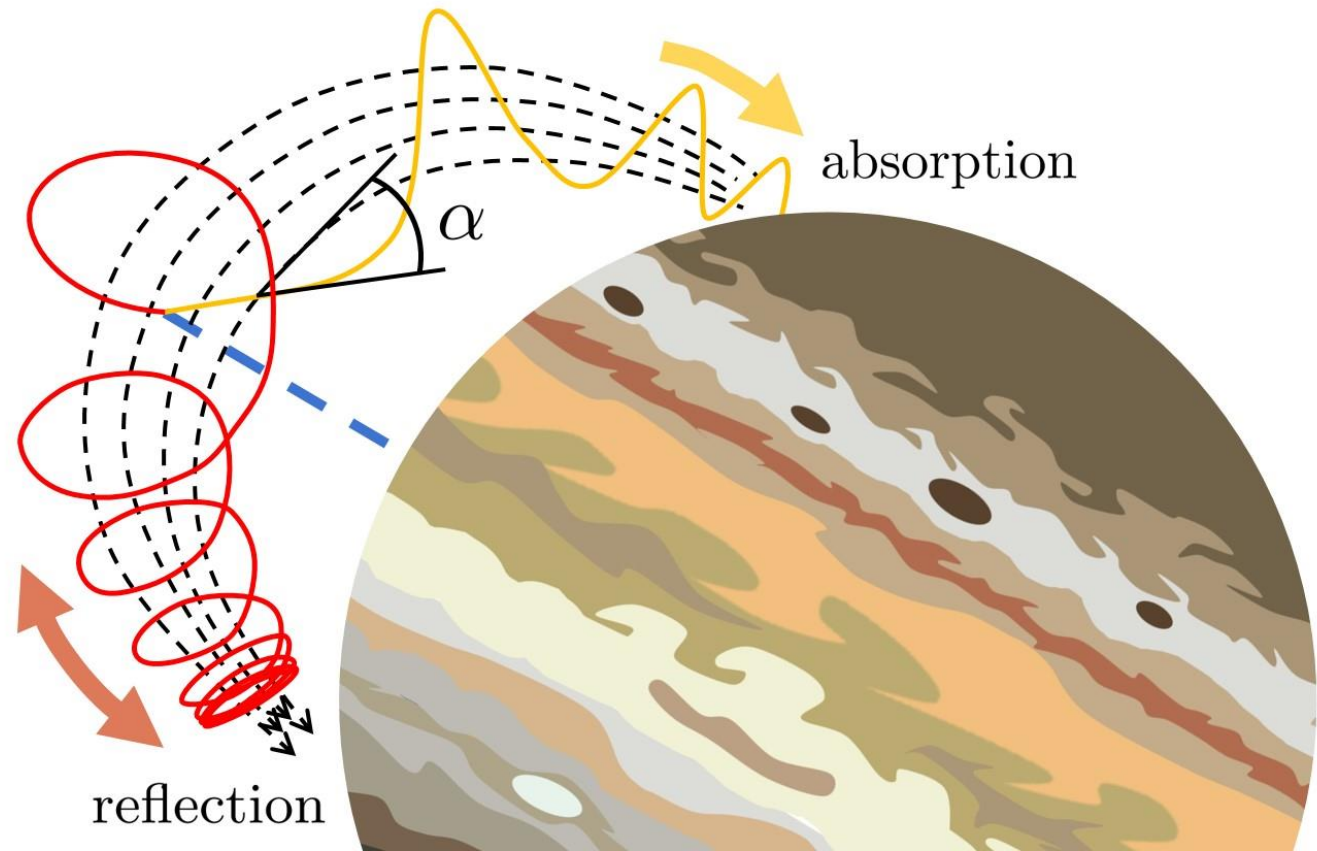
□ **Bounce** between two mirror points ( $\sim$  Hz)

Gradience of the B field

□ **Drift** in the azimuthal/longitudinal direction ( $<$  mHz)

[M. Schulz, L. J. Lanzerotti, 1974](#)

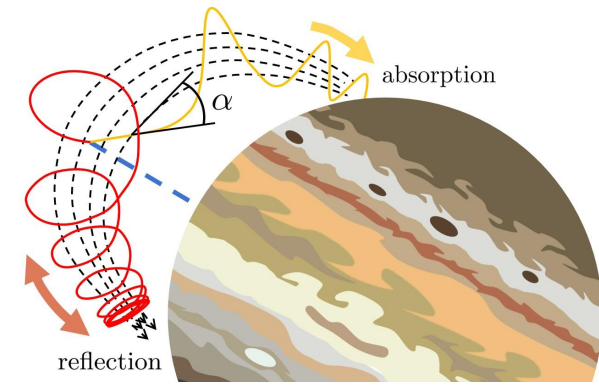
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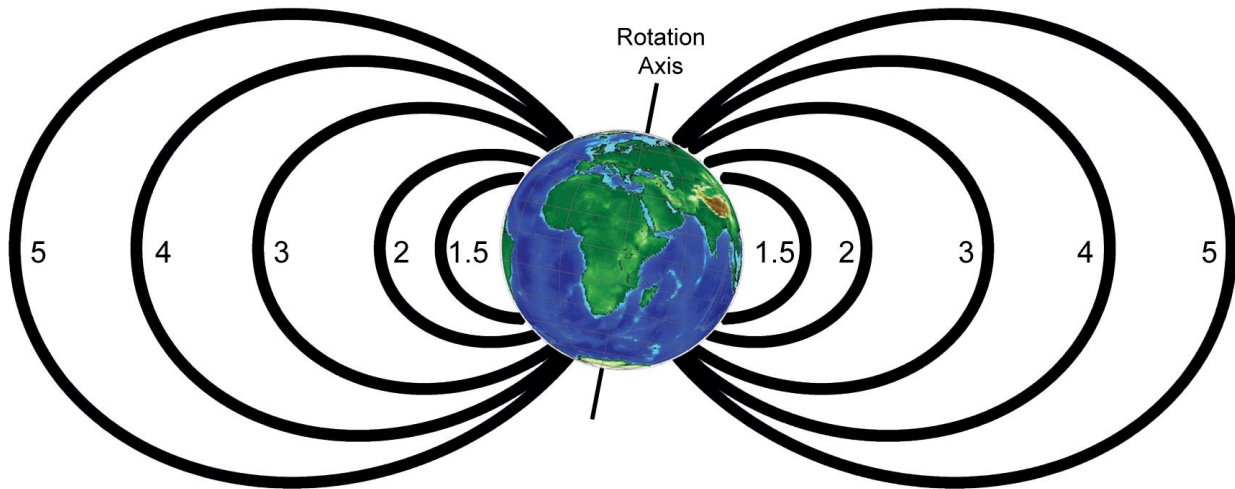


# Phase Space Parameters

At least 3 “physical” parameters to describe the phase space:



## 1) E: Kinetic energy



## 2) L: McIlwain L-parameter

[[C. E. McIlwain, 1961](#)]

Lines with  $L \times$  radius in the magnetic equator plane if it is dipole

For the time scale considered for hard electrons, limited on the same L-shell for all the time (bounce & drift)

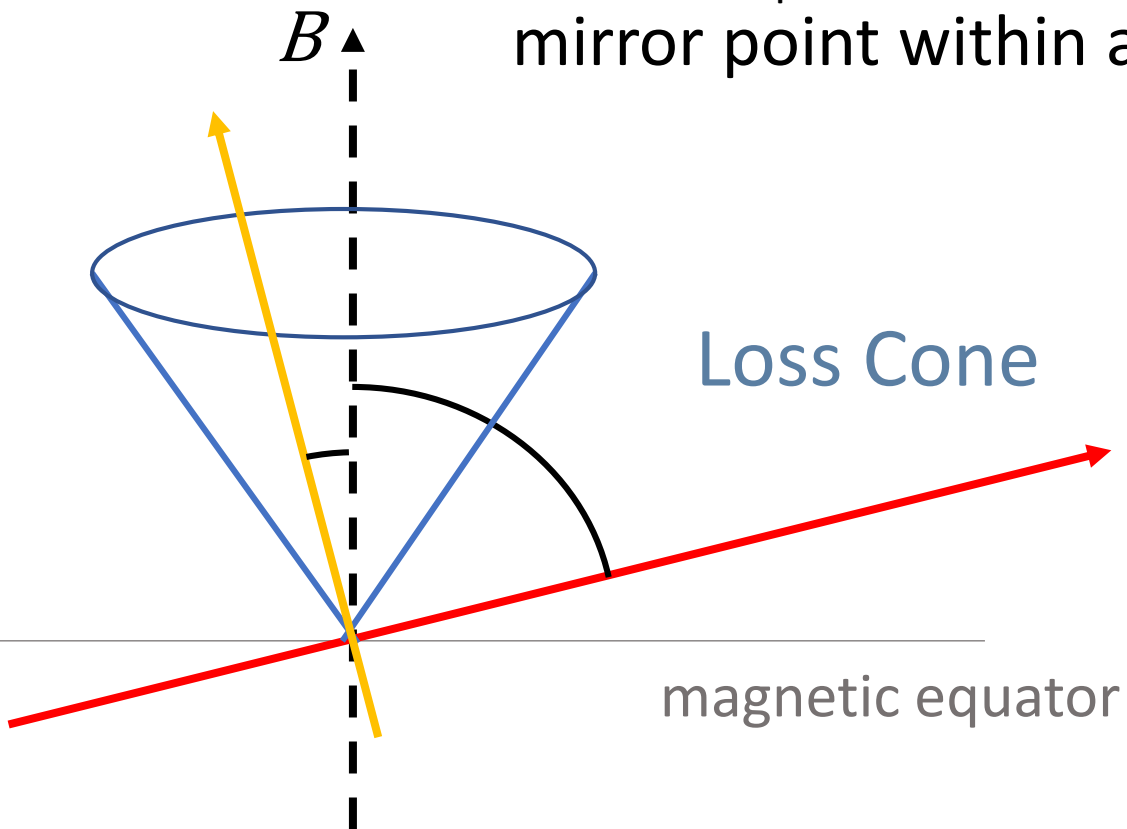
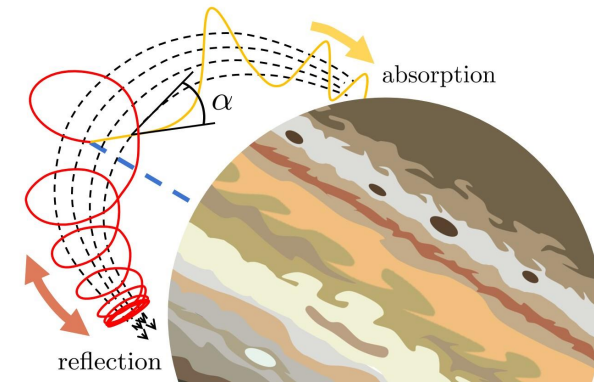
# Phase Space Parameters

## 3) $\alpha_{eq}$ : Equatorial pitch angle

Small  $\alpha_{eq}$ : inside loss cone  
mirror point within atmosphere

Large  $\alpha_{eq}$ : outside loss cone  
mirror point away from the  
atmosphere & long-lived

The loss cone shrinks with L  
e.g.,  $\alpha_{eq} > 0.75$  (0.47) for L=1.2 (1.5)



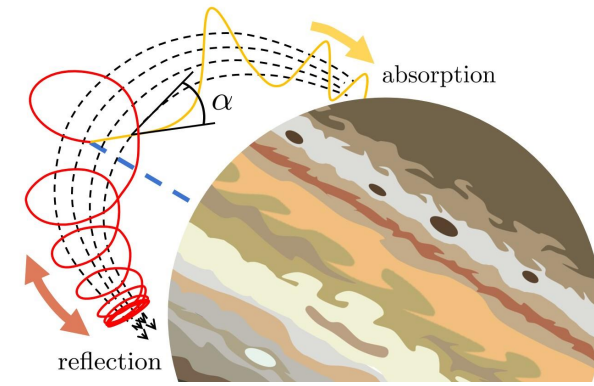
# Diffusion Equation

[A. M. Lenchek, S. F. Singer, R. C. Wentworth, 1961](#)

f = Phase space density

Source term: averaged over trajectories

$$\frac{df(L, E, \sin \alpha_{\text{eq}})}{dt} = \langle I \rangle_{\text{trajectory}}$$



Friction terms: energy loss with time (number conserving)

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial E} \left( \frac{dE}{dt} f \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \sin \alpha_{\text{eq}}} \left( \frac{d \sin \alpha_{\text{eq}}}{dt} f \right)$$

[D. Santos-Costa, S. A. Bourdarie, 2001](#)

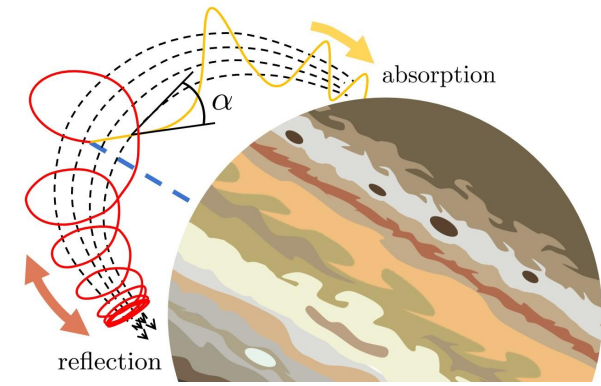
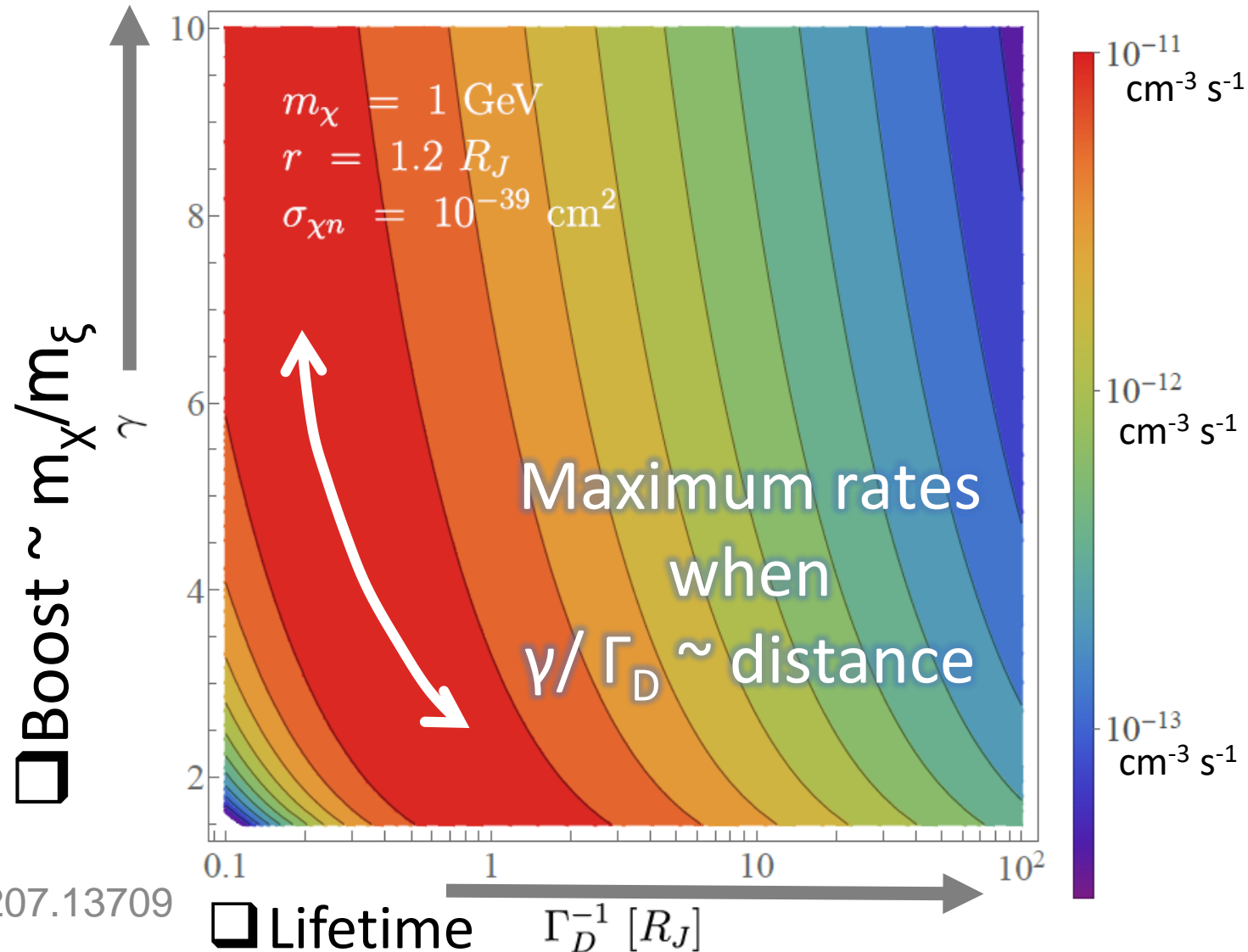
$$\tau_{\text{loss}}^{-1} f + \text{diffusion terms}$$

Electron number loss (and its time scale)

Suppressed for our discussion

[Q. Nenon, A. Sicard, S. Bourdarie, 2017](#)

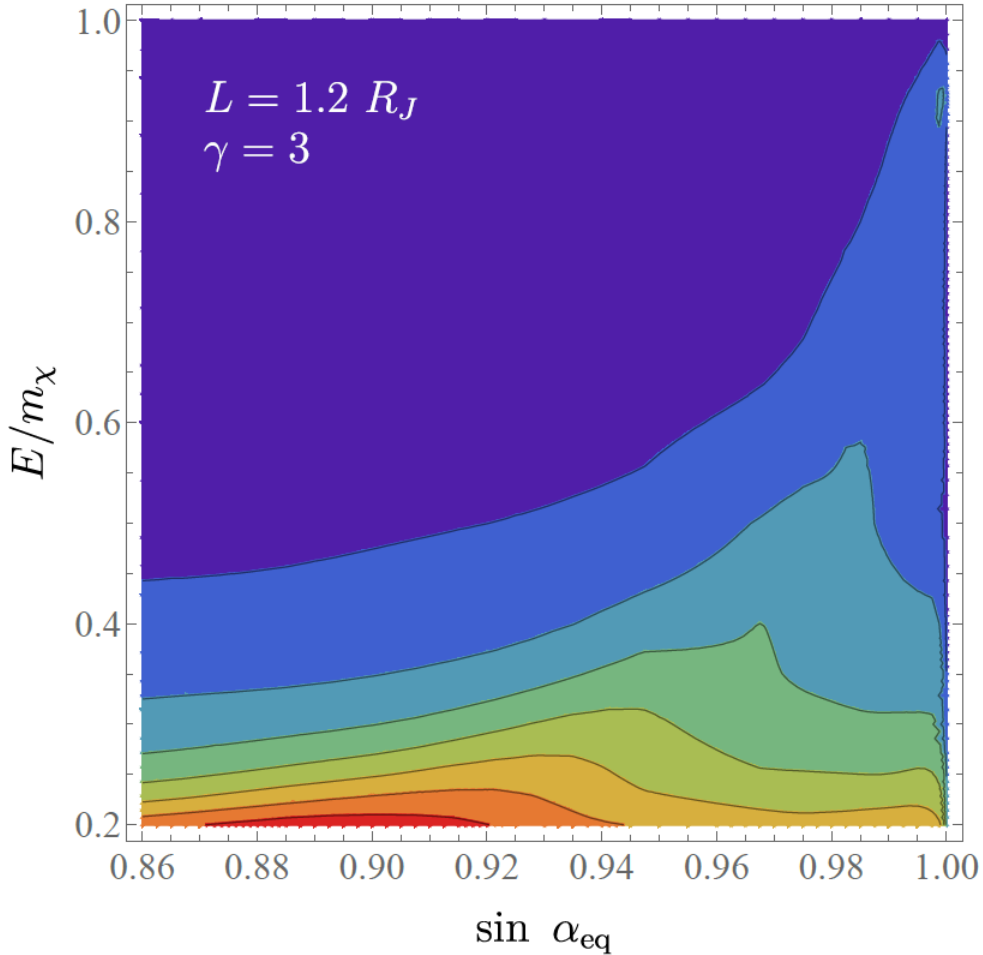
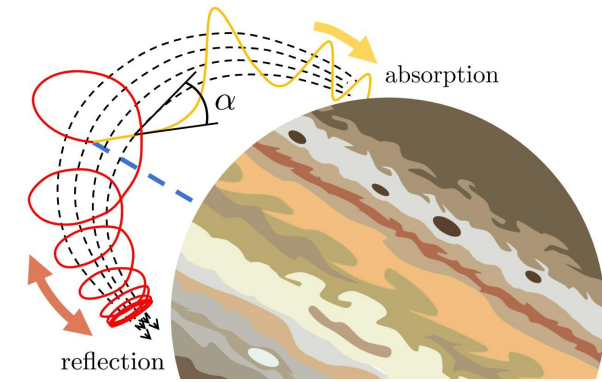
# Decay Rate Density



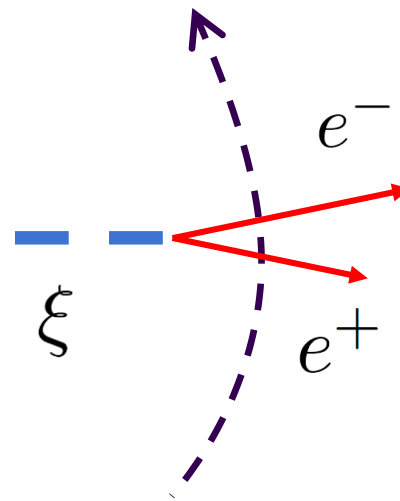
\* The volume is large to compensate

# Source Term

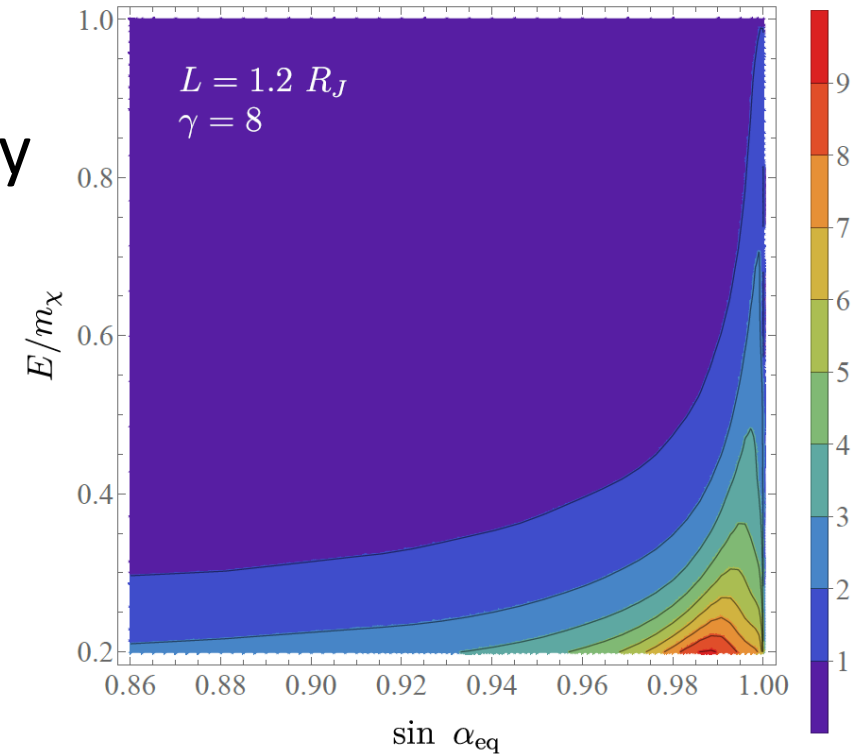
Injected electrons' phase space distribution



Dimensionless form for unit decay rate density



Tends to have high  $\alpha_{eq}$ : boost  $\gamma > 1$



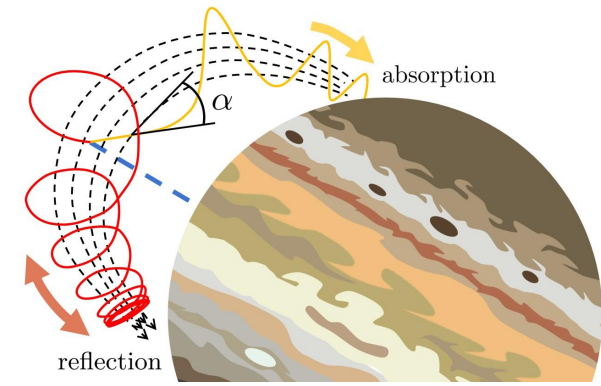
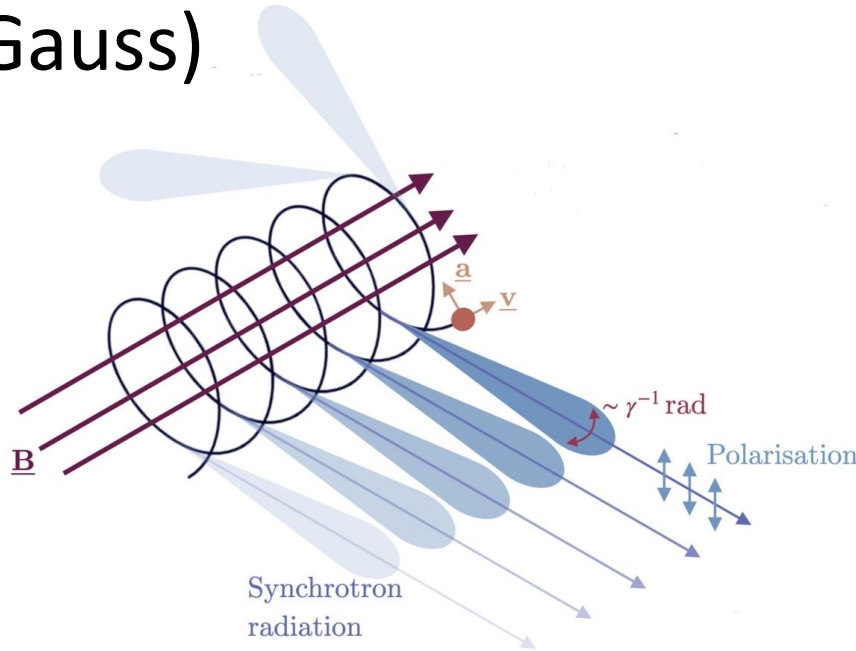
Scales as  $E^{-2}$  before integration

# Synchrotron Friction

Fast energy loss for hard electrons  $> O(10)$  MeV

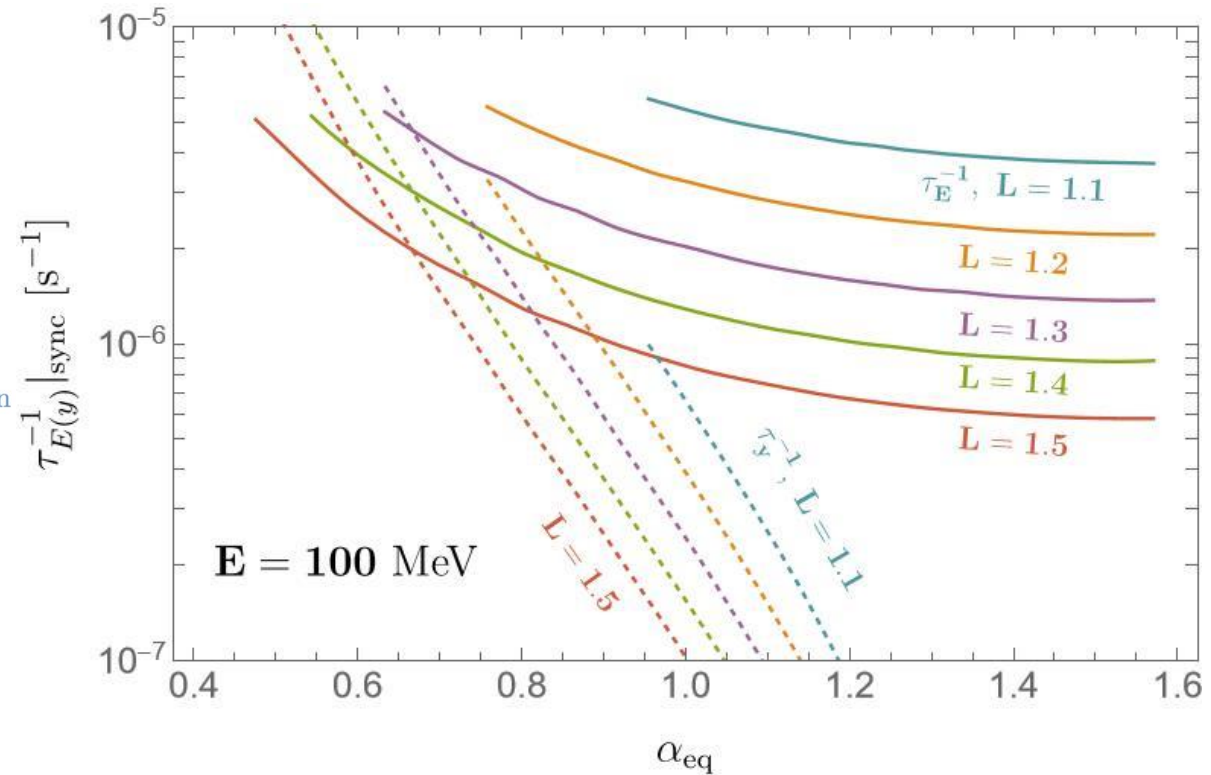
□  $|B| \sim O(\text{Gauss})$

□  $E \gg m_e$



Dominant friction when  $r \gtrsim 1.03 R_j$

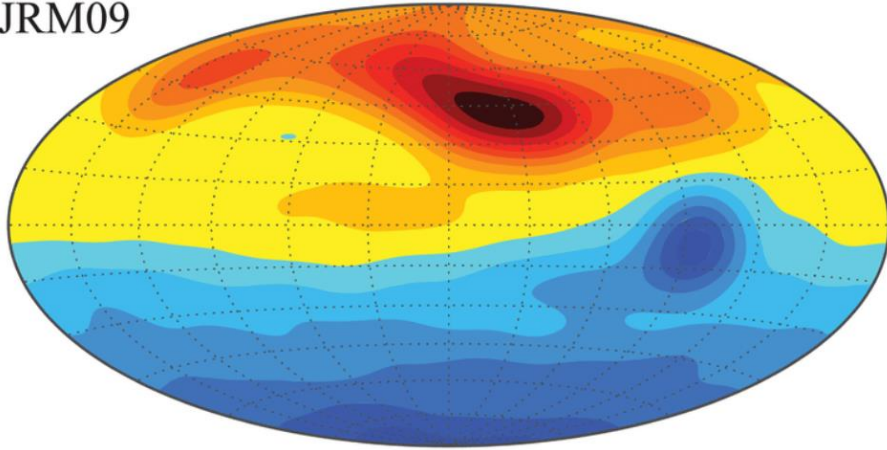
$$\tau_E^{-1}|_{\text{sync}} \equiv \left\langle \frac{1}{E} \frac{dE}{dt} \right\rangle_{\text{sync}} \propto E$$



Time scale  $\tau_E|_{\text{sync}} \gtrsim O(10^5)$  sec for 100 MeV electrons

# Loss Term: Untrapped Scenario

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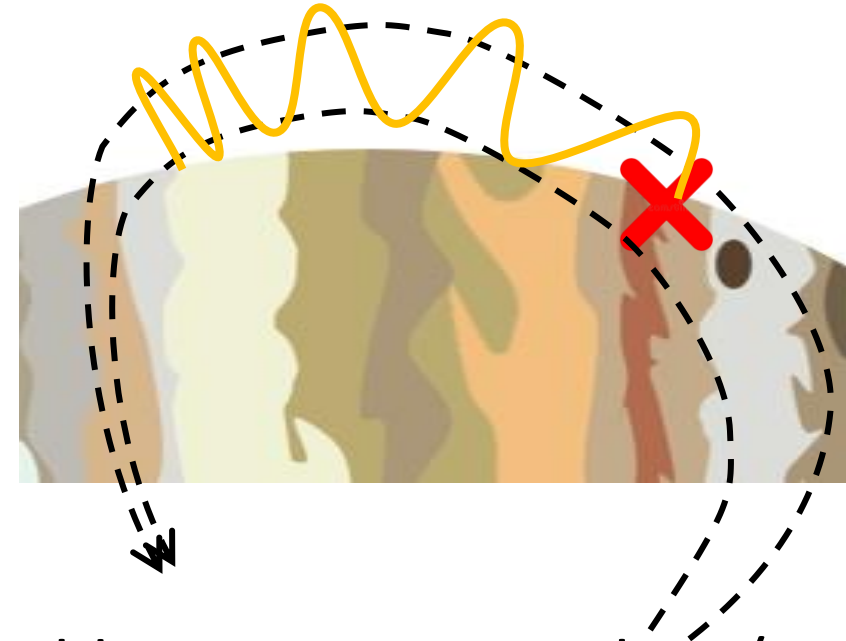


Surface field twisted by higher moments

[J. E. P. Connerney, S. Kotsiaros, R. J. Oliverson, J. R. Espley, J. L. Joergensen, P. S. Joergensen et al., 2018](#)

$$\tau_{\text{loss}} \sim R_J \sim \mathcal{O}(0.2) \text{ sec}$$

(Expected lifetime of electrons)

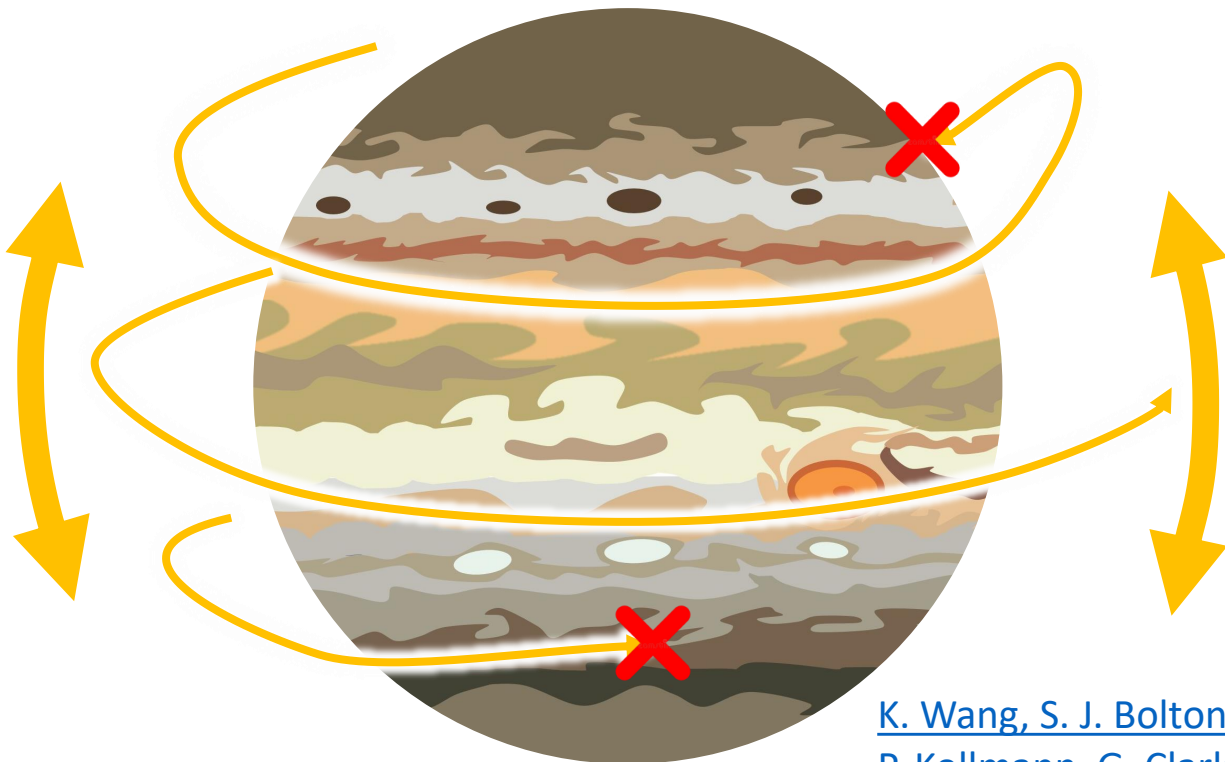


Field minimum very close/inside  
Jupiter: Impossible for reflection

# Quasi-Trapped Scenario

Meet untrapped regions/ fall in the local loss cone during the azimuthal drifting

Electron lifetime set by drift period, lost before losing energy significantly via synchrotron radiation



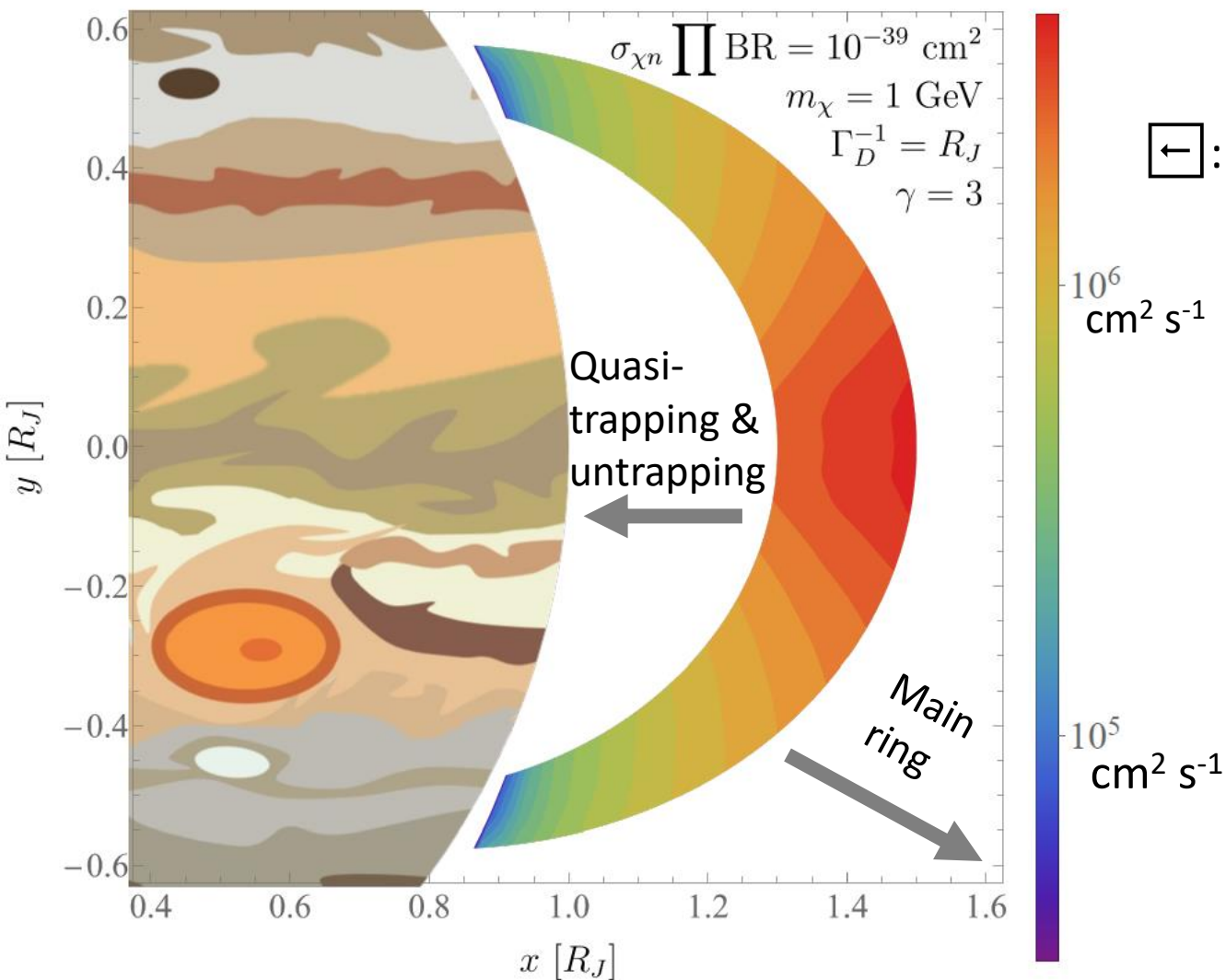
$$\tau_{\text{loss}} \lesssim \frac{\mathcal{O}(10^4)}{E/100 \text{ MeV}} \text{ sec} \ll \tau_{E|\text{sync}}$$

[K. Wang, S. J. Bolton, S. M. Gulkis, S. M. Levin, 2002](#)

[P. Kollmann, G. Clark, C. Paranicas, B. Mauk, E. Roussos, Q. Neron et al, 2021](#)



# Fully-Trapped: Spatial Distributions



☐: Flux predicted in each position

When  $L \in [1.3, 1.5^+]$  and near the magnetic equator, the loss effect is not as significant as the synchrotron friction:

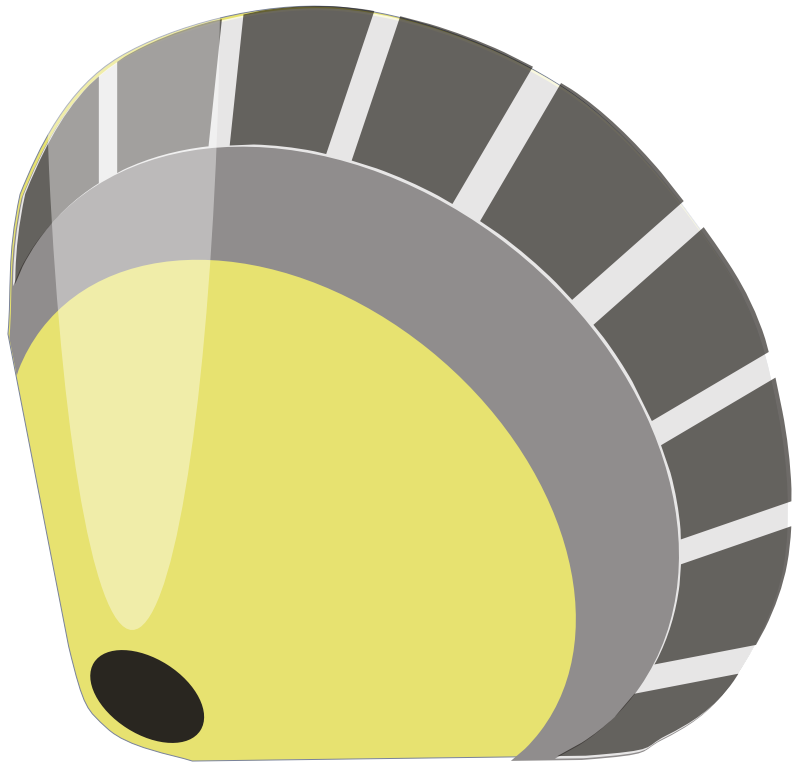
$$\tau_{\text{loss}} \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(10^5) \text{ sec} \gtrsim \tau_E|_{\text{sync}}$$

Aug. 05, 2011  
Launch of Juno

**Enough paper & pencil  
works on Earth**

**Let's launch to Jupiter  
now!**

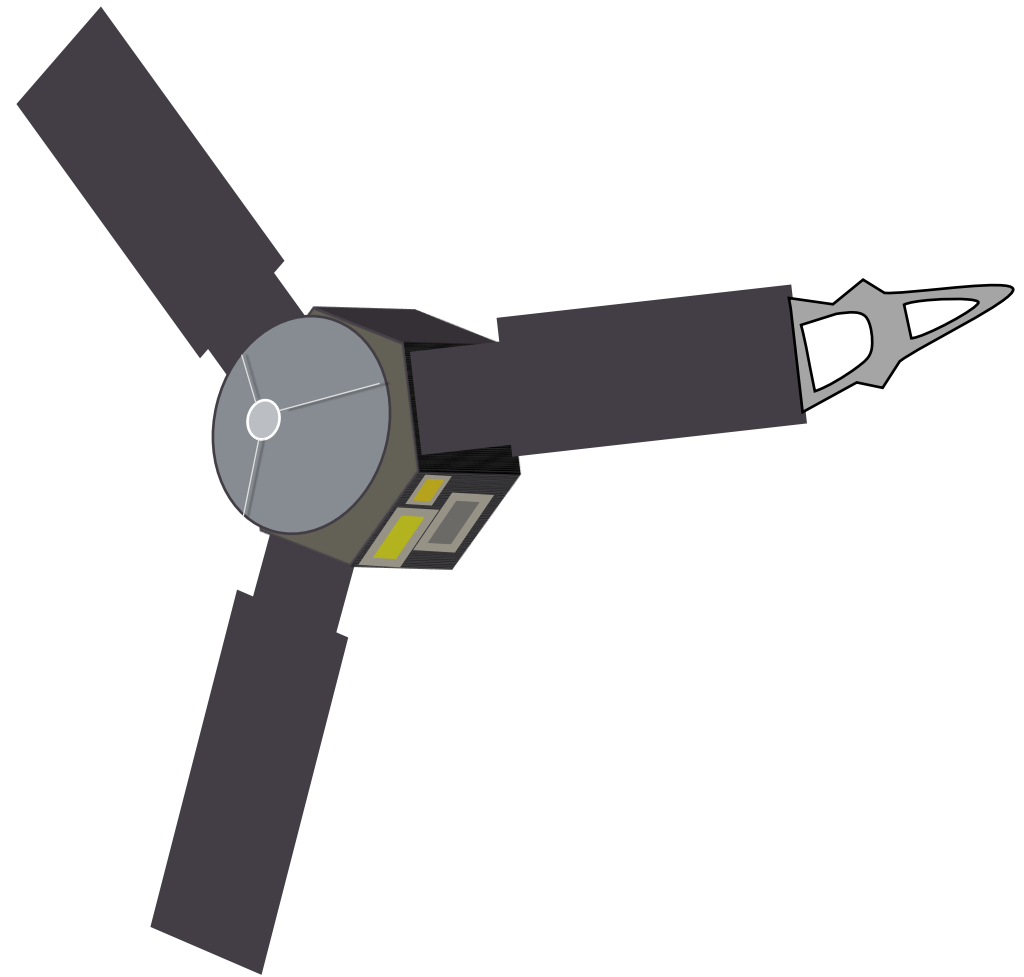




# Galileo Probe (1989-1995)



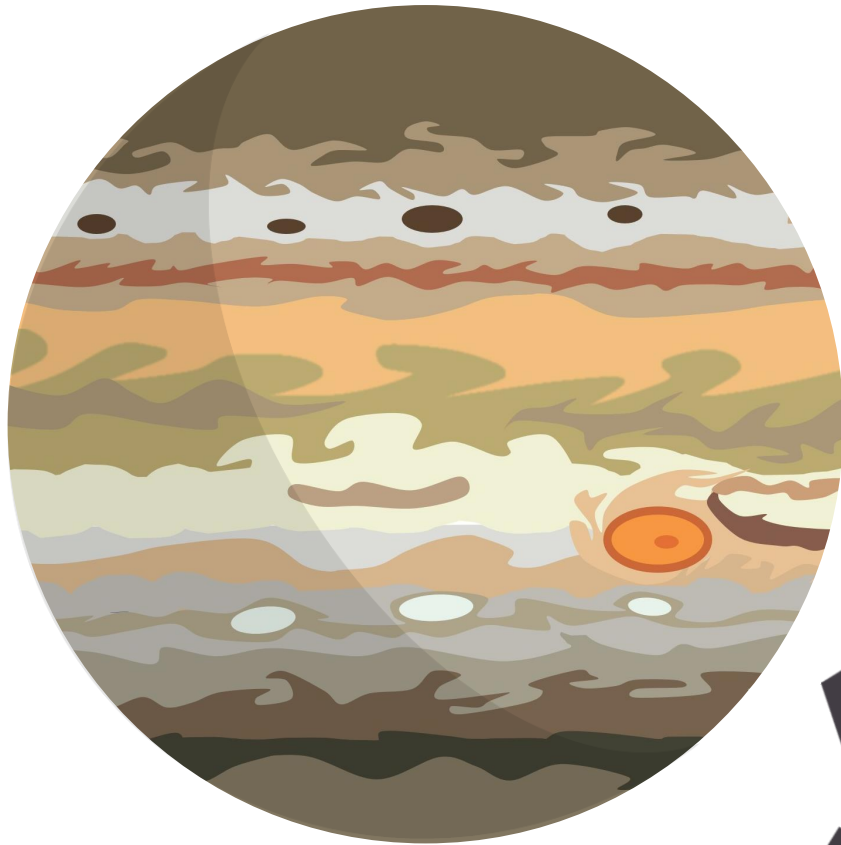
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# Juno Mission (2011-)

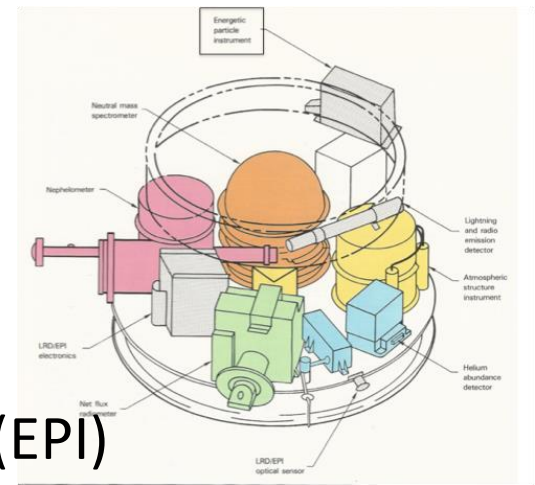


# Mission overview



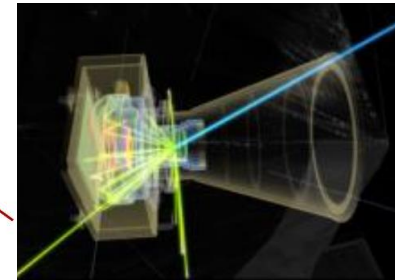
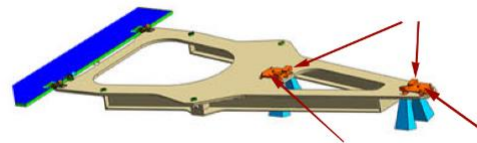
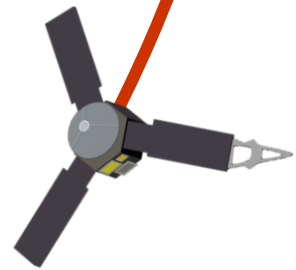
Galileo probe: one way mission

- Dive into the atmosphere
- Energetic Particle Investigation (EPI)
- Sensitive to MeV-GeV charged particles



Juno: orbiter still works

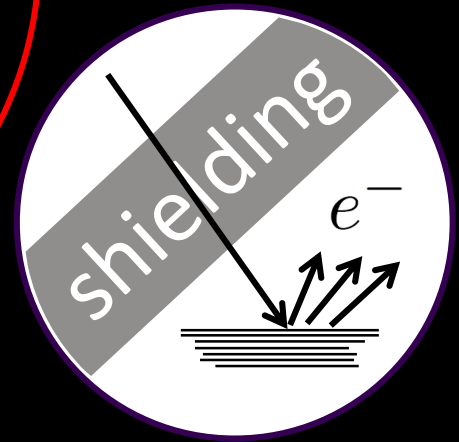
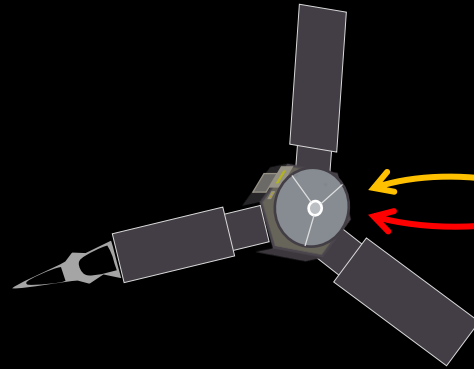
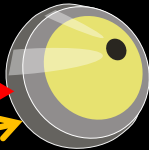
- Can be very close to the surface
- No specific relativistic particle detectors
- Hard electron from Radiation Monitoring (RM) investigation



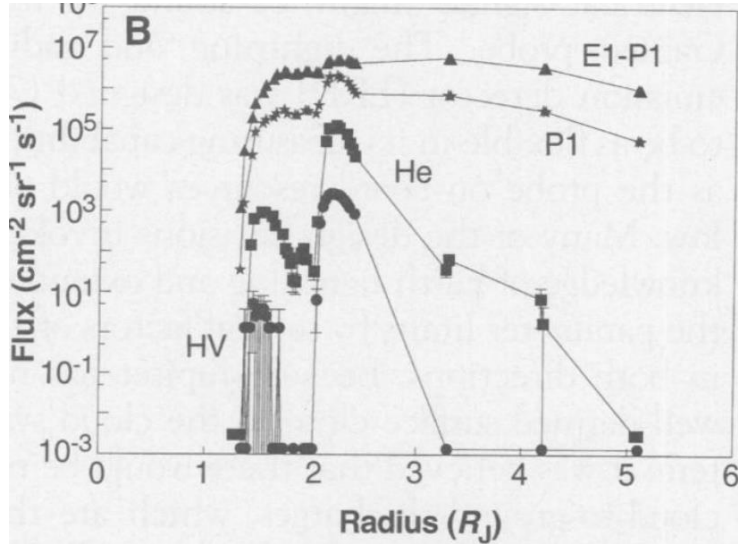
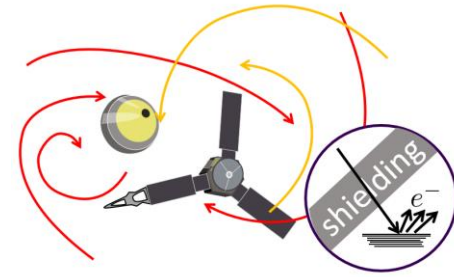
# Relate DM Model with Data

GeV-scale electrons  
leave data with  
precise space/time  
stamps.

Hit rate ( $s^{-1}$ ) = electron  
flux ( $cm^{-2} s^{-1}$ )  $\times$   
effective area of  
detection ( $cm^2$ )



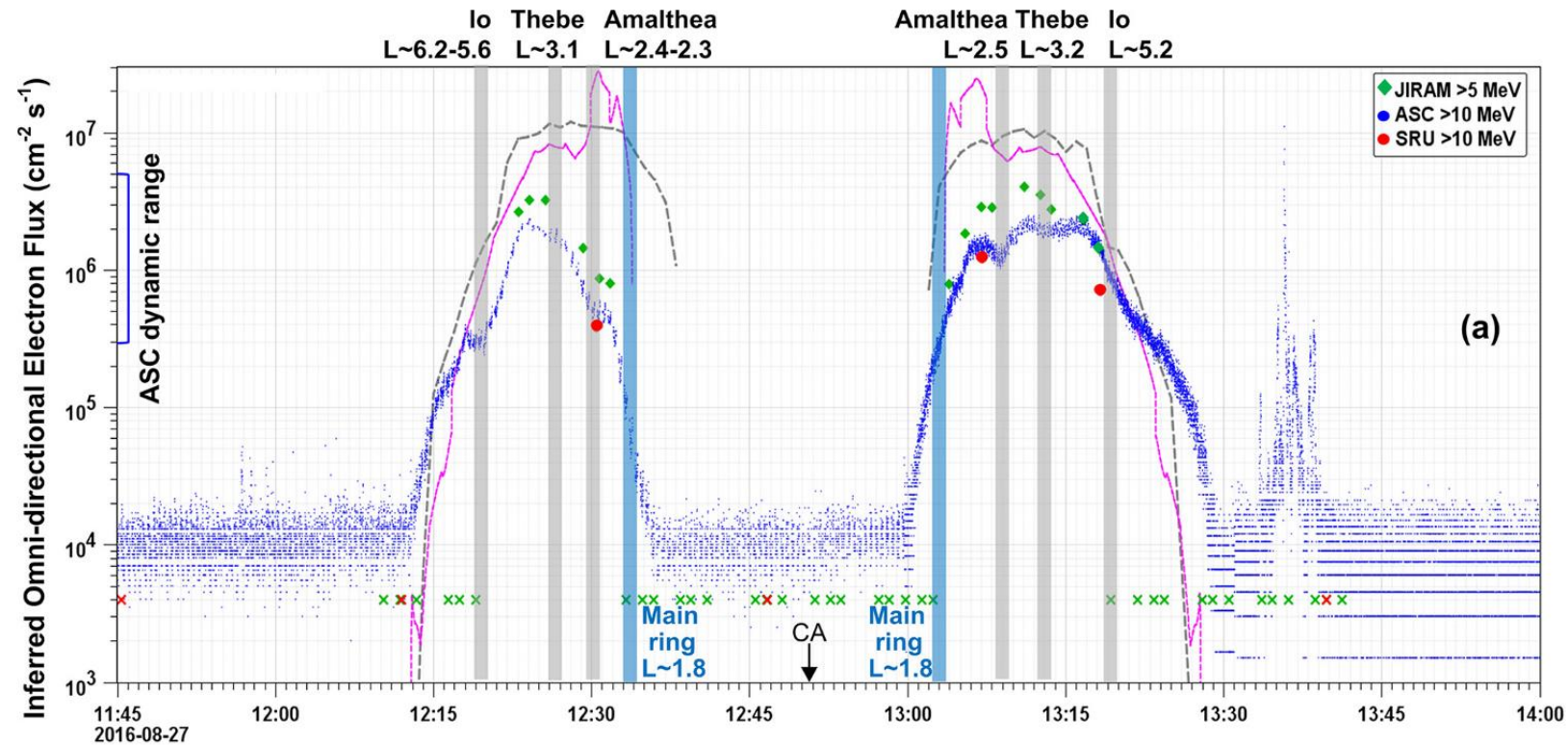
# Jupiter Mission Readouts



[H. M. Fischer, E. Pehlke, G. Wibberenz, L. J. Lanzerotti, J. D. Mihalov, Science 272, 1996](#)

Data never used for HEP before

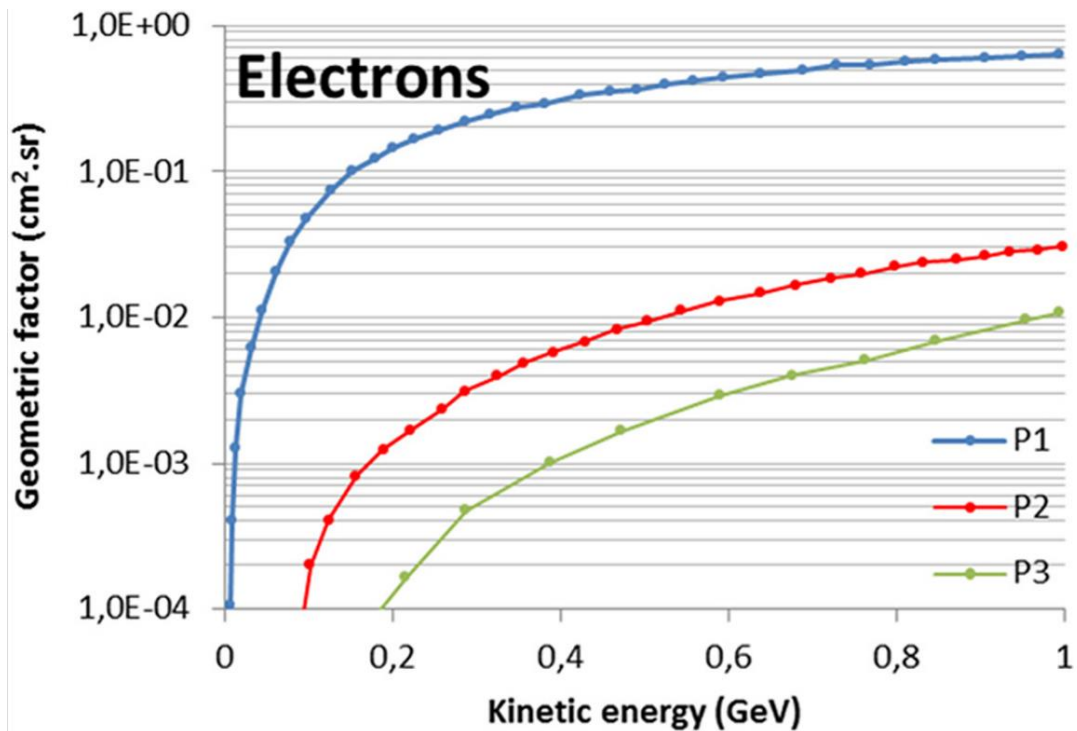
- Galileo Probe EPI: “Calorimeters”
- Juno RM: CCD cameras



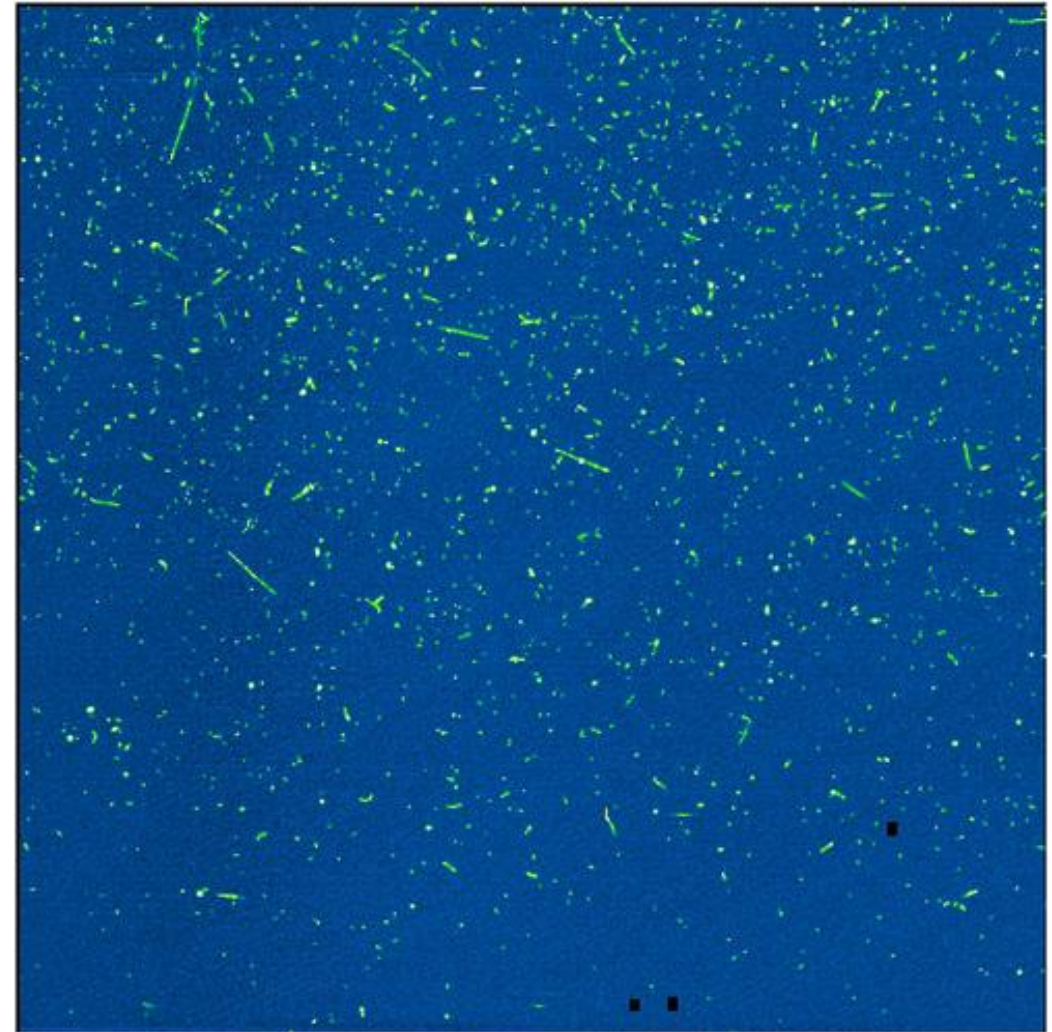
[H.N. Becker, D. Santos-Costa et al., Geophys. Res. Lett. 44, 2017](#)

# Sensitivity

No precise spectroscopy:  
Higher energy  $\rightarrow$  higher penetration rates



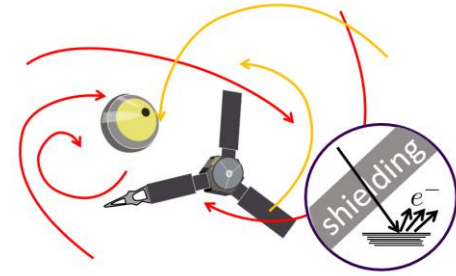
[Q. Nenon, A. Sicard, P. Kollmann, H. B. Garrett, S. P. A. Sauer, C. Paranicas, 2018](#)



Juno SRU CCD image from relativistic particles  
@ Perijove 1, around maximum radiation intensity

[H.N. Becker, D. Santos-Costa et al., Geophys. Res. Lett. 44, 2017](#)

# Limit (Fully Trapped)



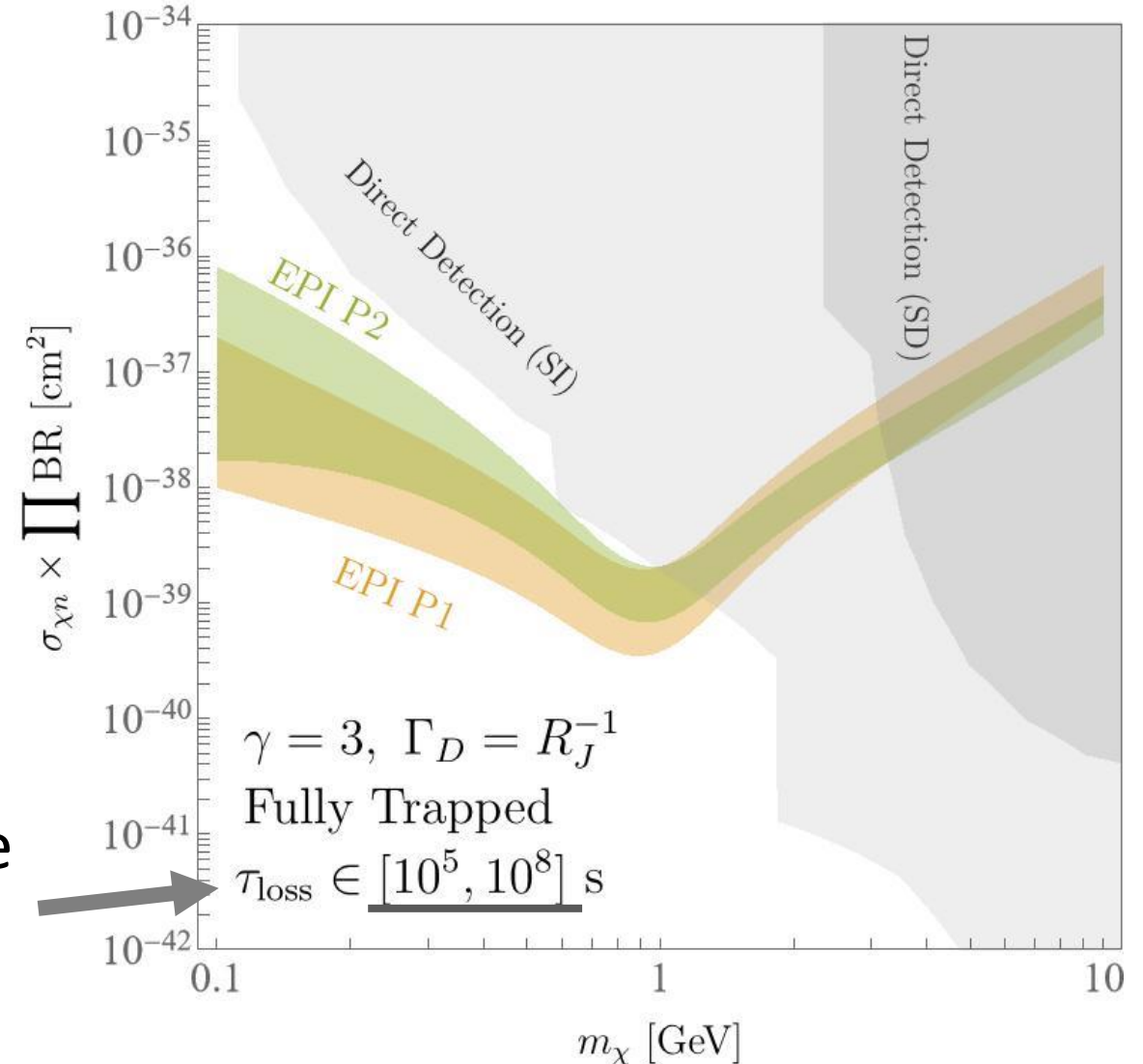
Currently only Galileo probe data available covers the area  $L > 1.3$  & close to the magnetic equator

Large count rates

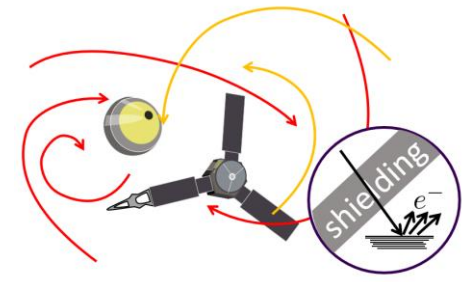
P1:  $O(10^5 s^{-1})$  & P2:  $O(10^3 s^{-1})$ ,

Conservative but reliable

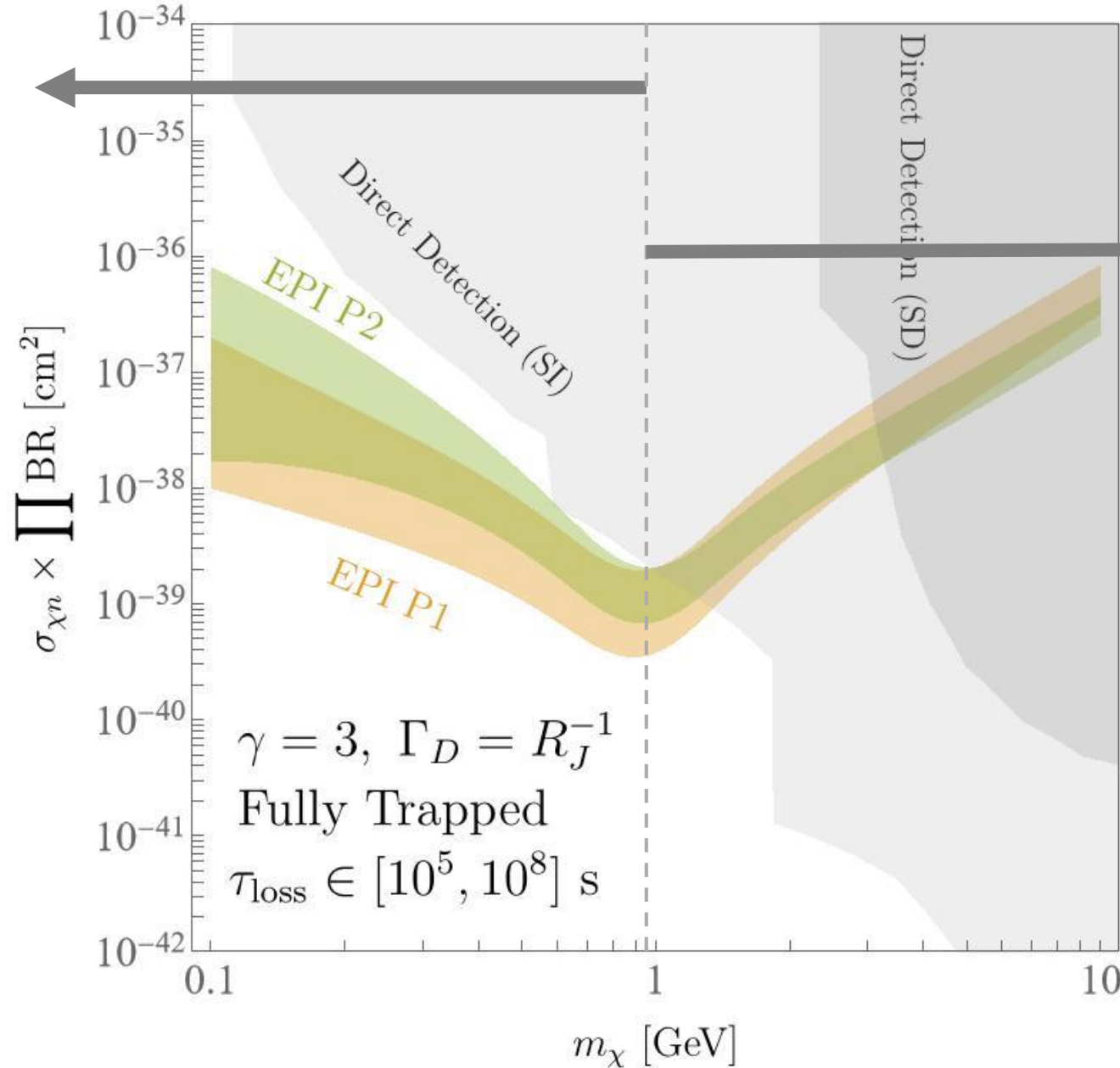
Not very sensitive to a varying  $\tau_{\text{loss}}$  :



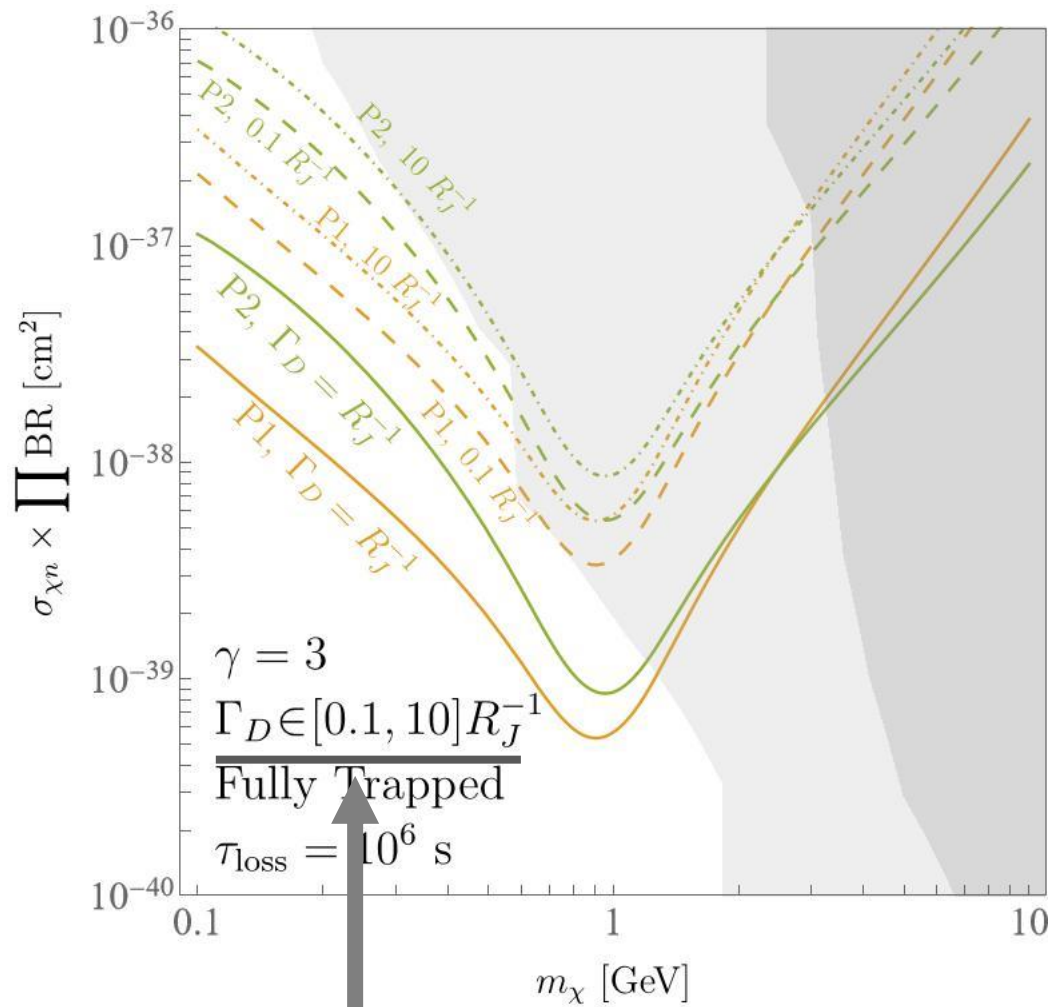




- Below 1 GeV:
- ❑ DM number density increases but capture efficiency drops.
  - ❑ Softer electron → weaker bounds
  - ❑ Stronger evaporation effect (not accounted for in the plot)

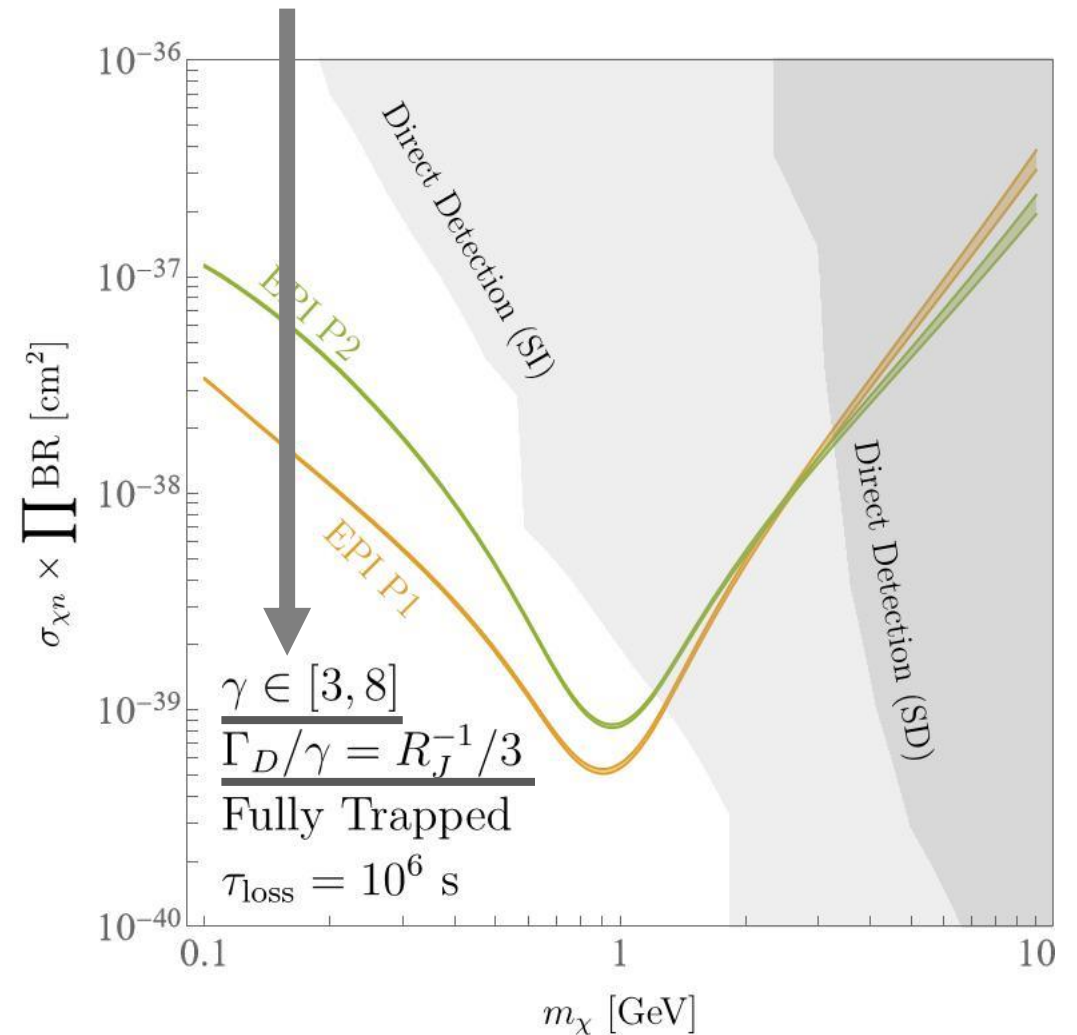
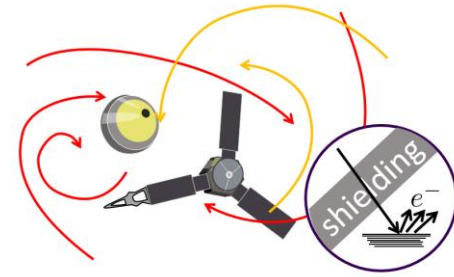


- Above 1 GeV:
- ❑ Both number density and capture efficiency drop
  - ❑ Harder electrons, could further improve with better detector knowledge



Limit also dependent on mediator decay length: chances to reach an L shell

Inensitive to boost once the proper decay length is fixed

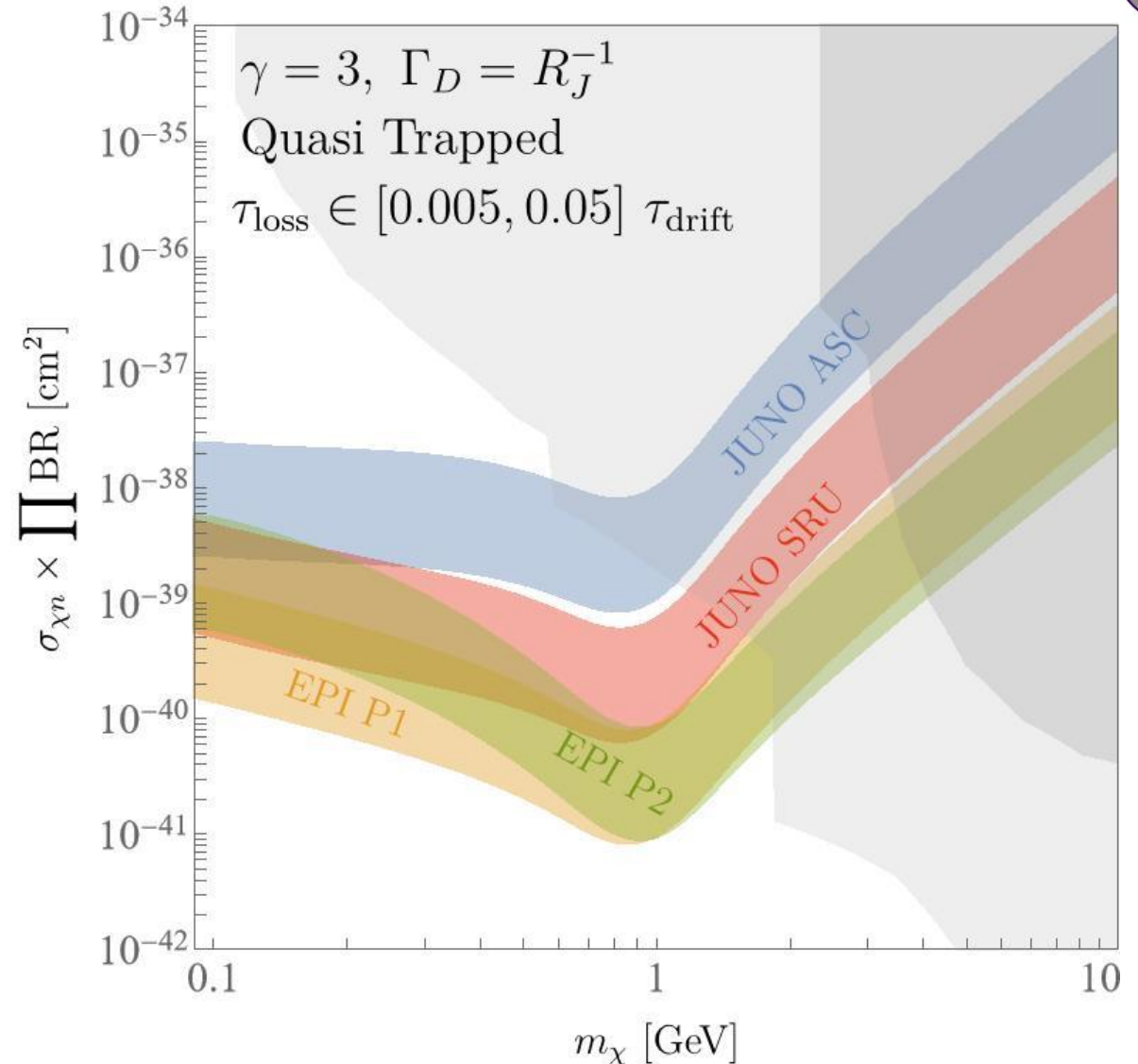
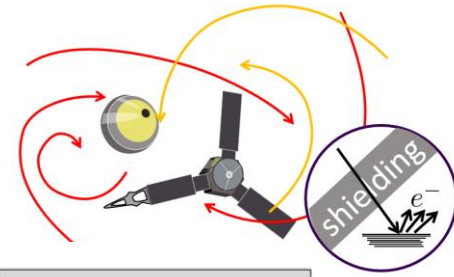


# Limit (Quasi Trapped)

Both Juno (away from magnetic equator & the main radiation belt) and Galileo Probe (L ~ 1.1) provide quasi-trap region data

Bounds are stronger but higher systematics: only suggestive values

Need very precise magnetic field model and numerical simulations to find out.



# Summary

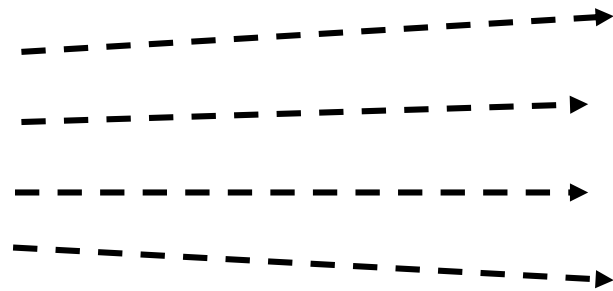
- ❑ DM accumulation inside Jupiter is a general prediction for GeV-scale DM, greatly enhancing annihilation rates.
- ❑ Long-lived mediator with lifetime  $\sim R_J$  decaying to electrons inject hard electrons to the radiation belt.
- ❑ *In situ* limits on DM-nucleon scattering  $\chi_{\text{sec}}$  comparable (spin-independent) or even stronger (spin-dependent) than best direct detection bounds.

# Conversion of Solar Axions Behind Jupiter

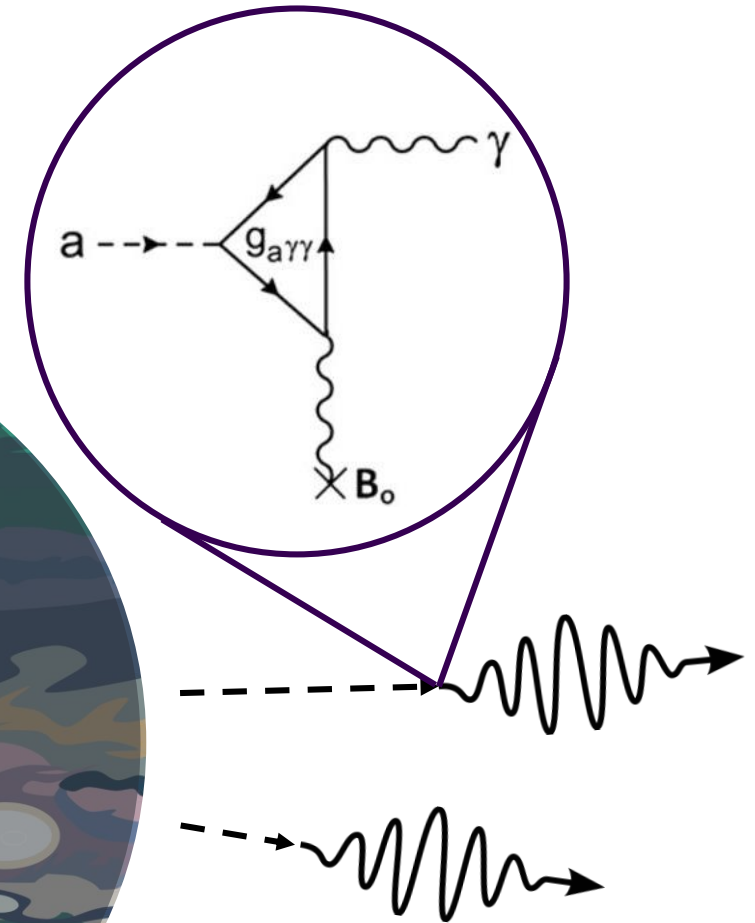
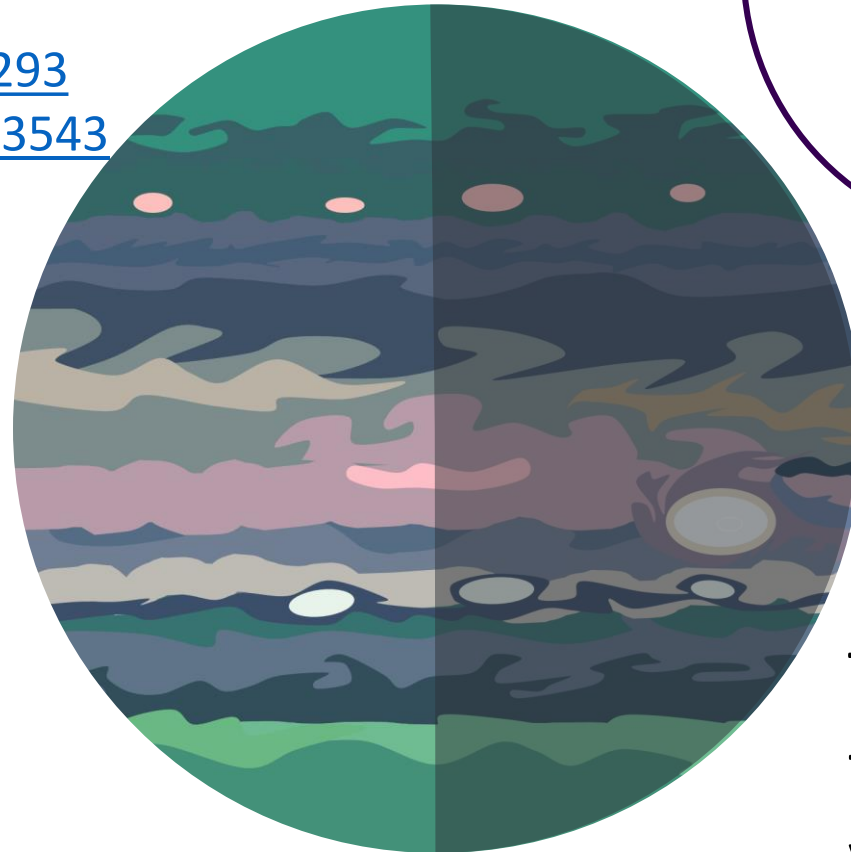
Inspired by:

[H. Davoudiasl, P. Huber, 0509293](#)

[H. Davoudiasl, P. Huber, 0804.3543](#)



Solar axion, energy peaked at  $\sim 4$  keV

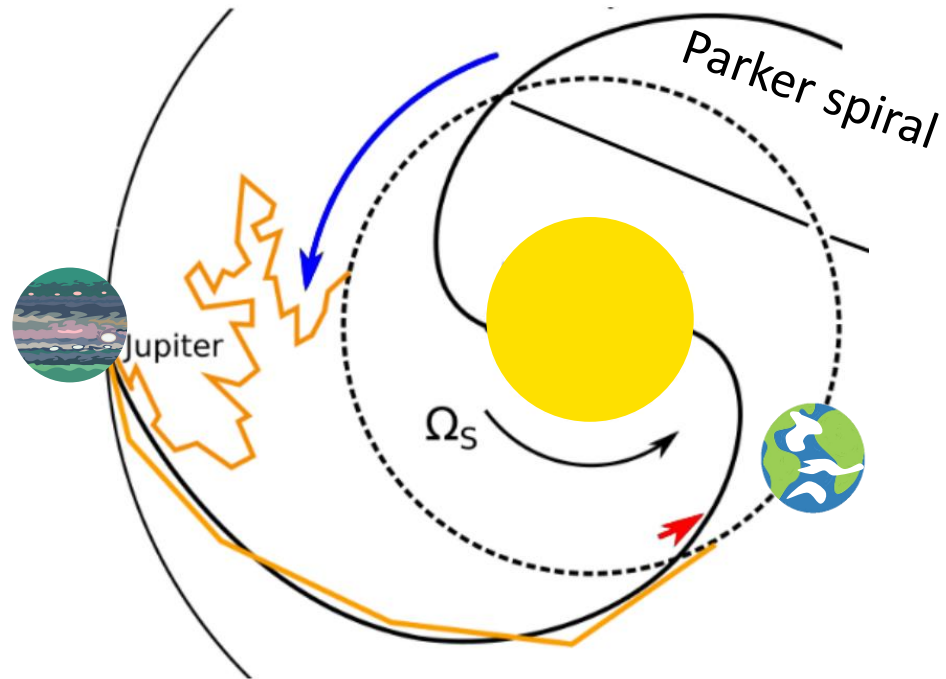


The high intensity B field + large converter volume from Jupiter

Difficulties: need high angular/energy resolution with hard X-rays, unknown Jupiter background, small window of observation.....

# Positron Signal from Jupiter

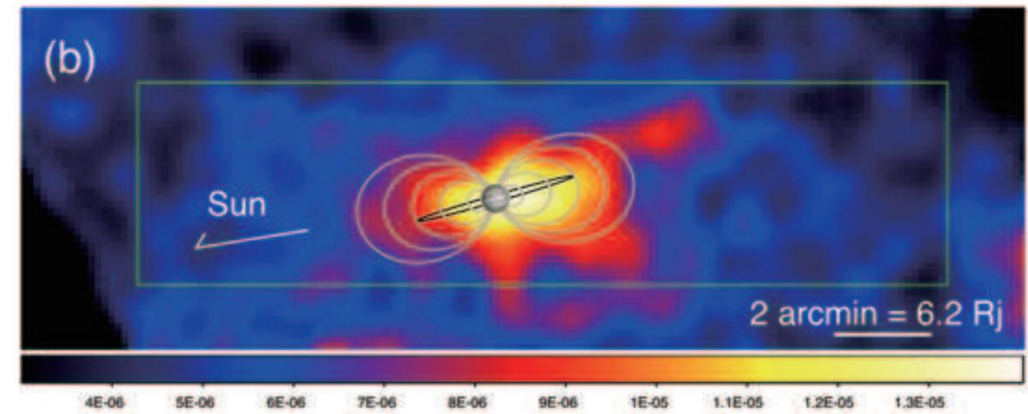
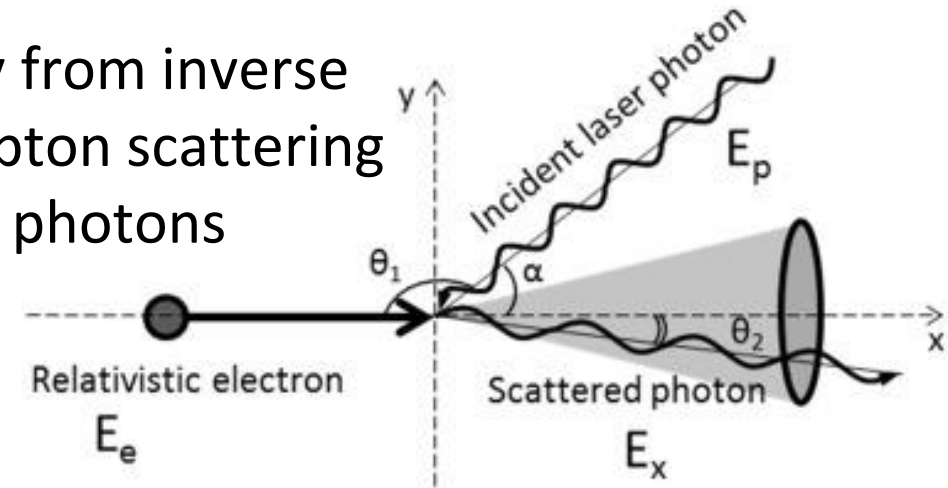
Positrons escaping the magnetosphere hit earth orbit [E. N. Parker, 1958](#)



~13 month period of Jovian positrons, see e.g. [A. Vogt, N. E. Engelbrecht, B. Heber, A. Kopp, K. Herbst, 2110](#)

# X-ray from Electrons

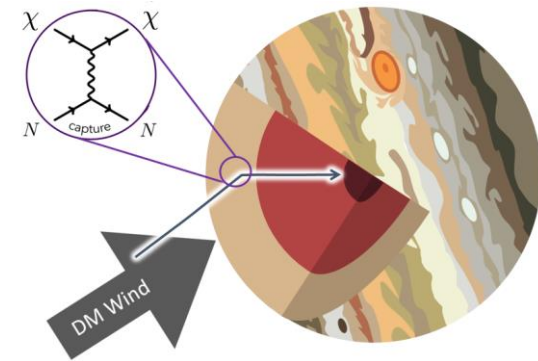
X-ray from inverse Compton scattering solar photons



1-5 keV diffuse X-ray @ Suzaku  
[Y. Ezoe, K. Ishikawa, T. Ohash, 1001.0800](#)

# **Backup Slides**

# DM Capture Rate



In the optical thin limit, DM captured with single scattering, described in [A. Gould, Astrophys. J., 321, 1987](#)

Optical depth  $\tau_J = \frac{3 \sigma_{\chi n}}{2 \sigma_{\text{sat}}}$  DM-nucleon scattering Xsec  
 Geometric saturation Xsec  $\sim 10^{-34} \text{ cm}^2$

Capture rate of the whole planet:

$$C_1 = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi}{3}} \frac{n_\chi \tau_J R_J^2}{\bar{v}_\chi} \int_0^{R_J} \frac{4\pi r^2 n_n(r)}{N_{n,J}} v_J^2(r) \left(1 - \frac{1 - e^{-A(r)^2}}{A(r)^2}\right) X[A(r)] dr$$

$$A(r)^2 \equiv 6v_J(r)^2 m_n m_\chi / [\bar{v}_\chi^2 (m_n - m_\chi)^2]$$

The exponential factor that maximizes when DM has the same mass as a nucleon

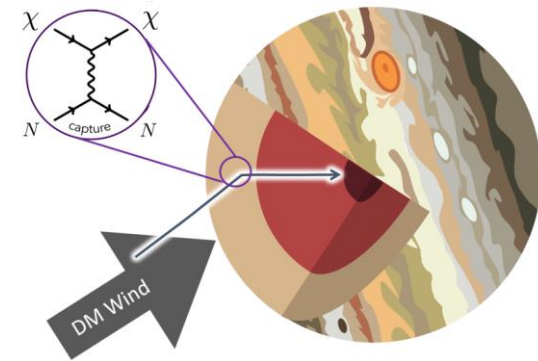
Suppression factor comes from the relative speed between Jupiter and the DM Halo

For multiple scattering, see

[J. Bramante, A. Delgado A. Martin, 1703.04043](#)

[C. Ilie, J. Pilawa, S. Zhang, 2005.05946](#)





# DM Capture Rate

After including the internal density profile & relative velocity, the capture rate takes the numerical form

$$C_1 \gtrsim 0.28 \sqrt{\frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{n_\chi \tau_J R_J^2 v_J^2(R_J)}{\bar{v}_\chi}} \left( 1 - \frac{1 - e^{-A(R_J)^2}}{A(R_J)^2} \right)$$

To get spin dependent rates for weaker constraints: axial-vector type interaction

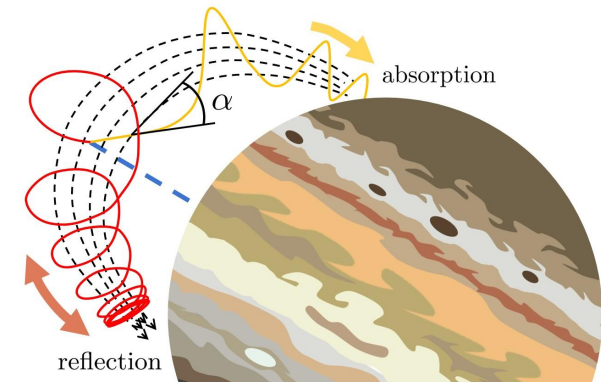
$$\frac{g_\chi g_q}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \chi) (\bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma^5 q)$$

$$\sigma_{\chi n} \approx 3.8 \times 10^{-39} \text{ cm}^2 \left( \frac{\mu_{\chi n}}{\text{GeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{g_\chi g_q}{10^{-3}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{10 \text{ GeV}}{\Lambda} \right)^4$$

Possible to get a relevant scattering rate without violating collider bounds

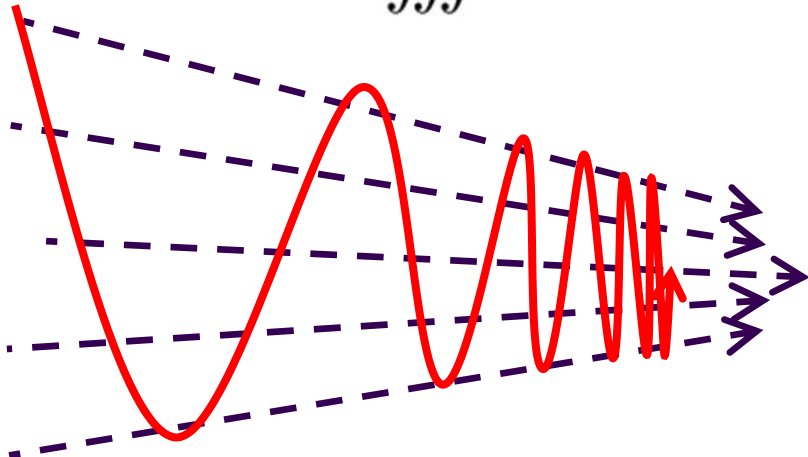
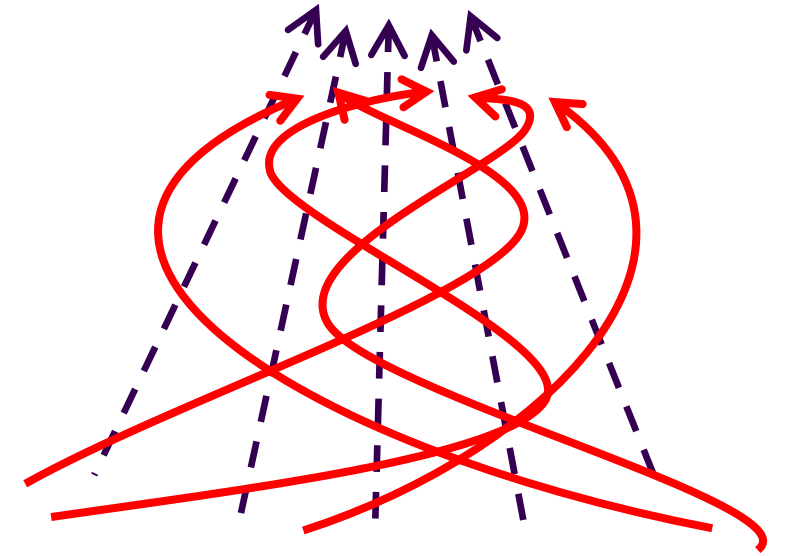
# Spatial Distribution

The (omnidirectional) electron flux is NOT the same along the same L-shell



The tube narrows as the field goes stronger

$$J(L, \theta_p) \simeq \iiint E^2 dE d \cos \alpha_{\text{eq}} \frac{dA_{\text{eq}}}{dA} \frac{(dt/dS)}{(dt/dS)_{\text{eq}}} f$$



The coil gets denser when the field is strong  
Speed  $\propto \cos^{-1} \alpha$