

Celestial-body focused dark matter annihilation throughout the galaxy

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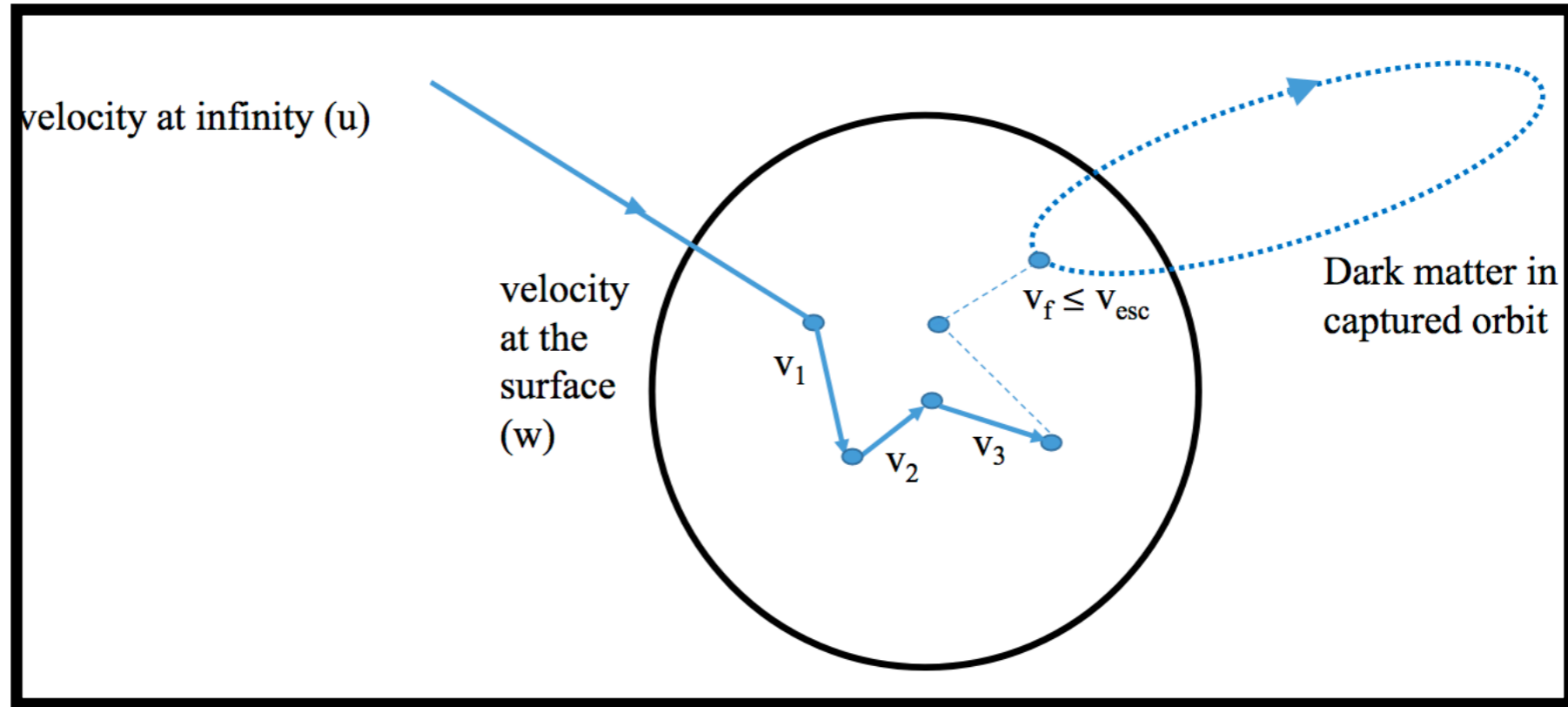
Overview

- 1) Dark matter capture in compact objects
- 2) DM annihilation via long-lived mediators
- 3) DM signals from capture in Brown Dwarfs
and Neutron Stars

Key idea of the talk

- 1) Indirect detections typically focus on DM annihilation in galactic halos.
- 2) We consider a scenario where celestial bodies 'focus' annihilations and increases the annihilation efficiency.
- 3) DM captured by Neutron Stars (NS) or Brown Dwarfs (BDs) and annihilates within them.
- 4) Annihilation to long-lived mediators - decay outside of the celestial object.
- 5) Novel detection signatures.
- 6) Strong constraints on DM-nucleon scattering cross section.

DM capture in compact objects



$$C_N = \underbrace{\pi R^2}_{\text{area of the object}} \times \underbrace{p_N(\tau)}_{\text{probability for } N \text{ collisions}}$$

$$\times \underbrace{n_{\text{DM}} \int \frac{f(u) du}{u} (u^2 + v_{\text{esc}}^2)}_{\text{DM flux}}$$

$$\times \underbrace{g_N(u)}_{\text{probability that } v_f \leq v_{\text{esc}} \text{ after } N \text{ collisions}}.$$

$$C = \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} C_N,$$

$$C_{\text{max}} = \pi R^2 n_{\chi}(r) v_0 \left(1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{v_{\text{esc}}^2}{\bar{v}(r)^2} \right) \xi(v_p, \bar{v}(r)),$$

DM Capture and annihilation in Celestial Bodies

$$\frac{dN(t)}{dt} = C_{\text{tot}} - C_A N(t)^2$$

$$N(t) = \sqrt{\frac{C_{\text{tot}}}{C_A}} \tanh\left(\frac{t}{t_{\text{eq}}}\right)$$

$$t_{\text{eq}} = 1/\sqrt{C_A C_{\text{tot}}}$$

Equilibrium Condition :

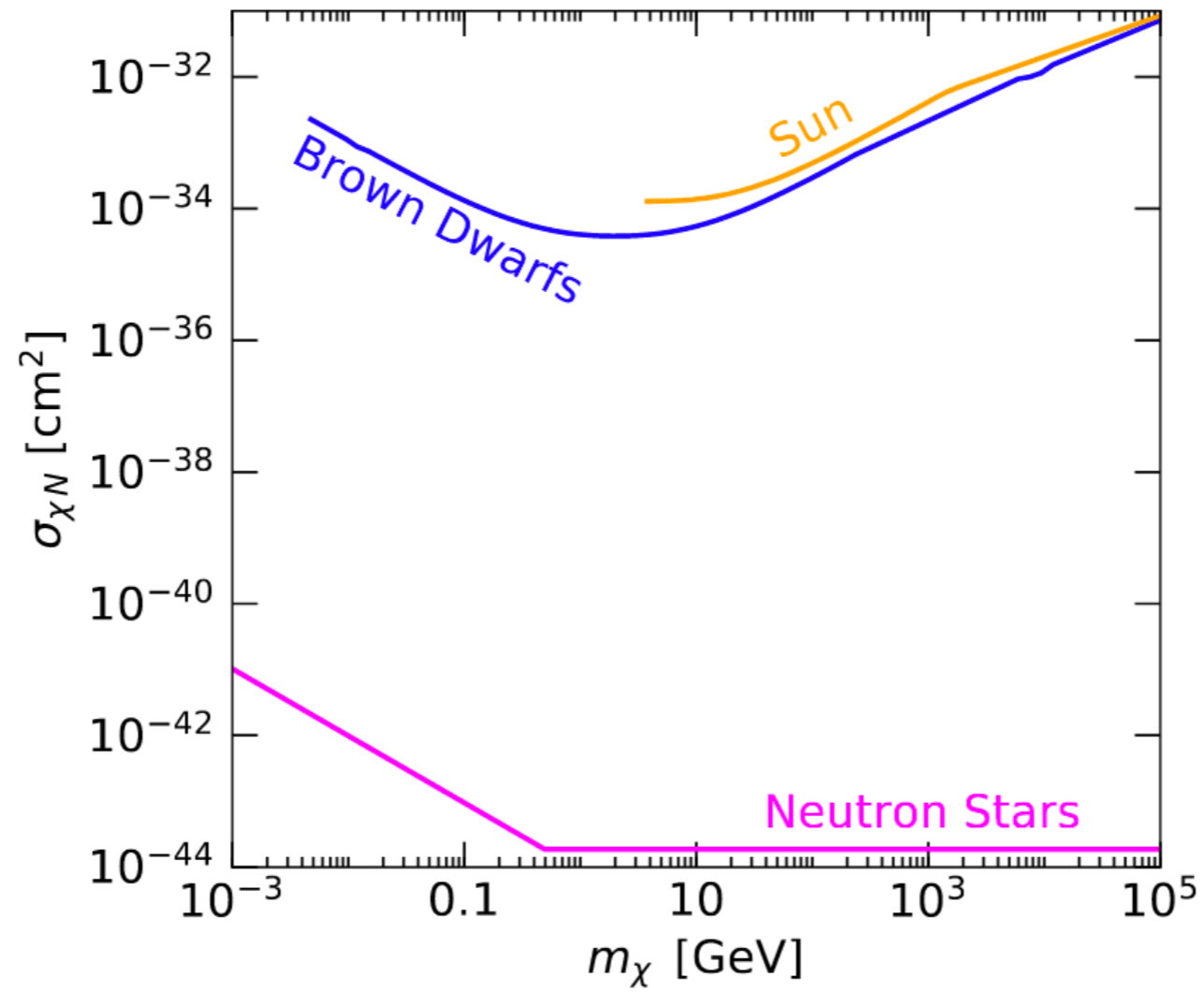
$$\Gamma_{\text{ann}} = \Gamma_{\text{cap}}/2 = C_{\text{tot}}/2 \propto n_\chi$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{tot}} \propto n_\chi n_{\text{BD/NS}} \quad (\text{annihilation proportional to } n_\chi \text{ and } n_{\text{BD/NS}})$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{ann,halo}} \propto n_\chi^2 \quad (\text{Standard halo annihilation } \propto n_\chi^2)$$

Model : DM decays to long-lived mediators and can escape the celestial object

Cross-Section reach



Galactic Center Calculations

BDs in GC: Mass range - 0.01 - 0.07 M_{\odot}

$$n_{\text{BD}} = 7.5 \times 10^4 r_{\text{pc}}^{-1.5} \text{pc}^{-3}, \quad (\text{Using Kroupa IMF})$$

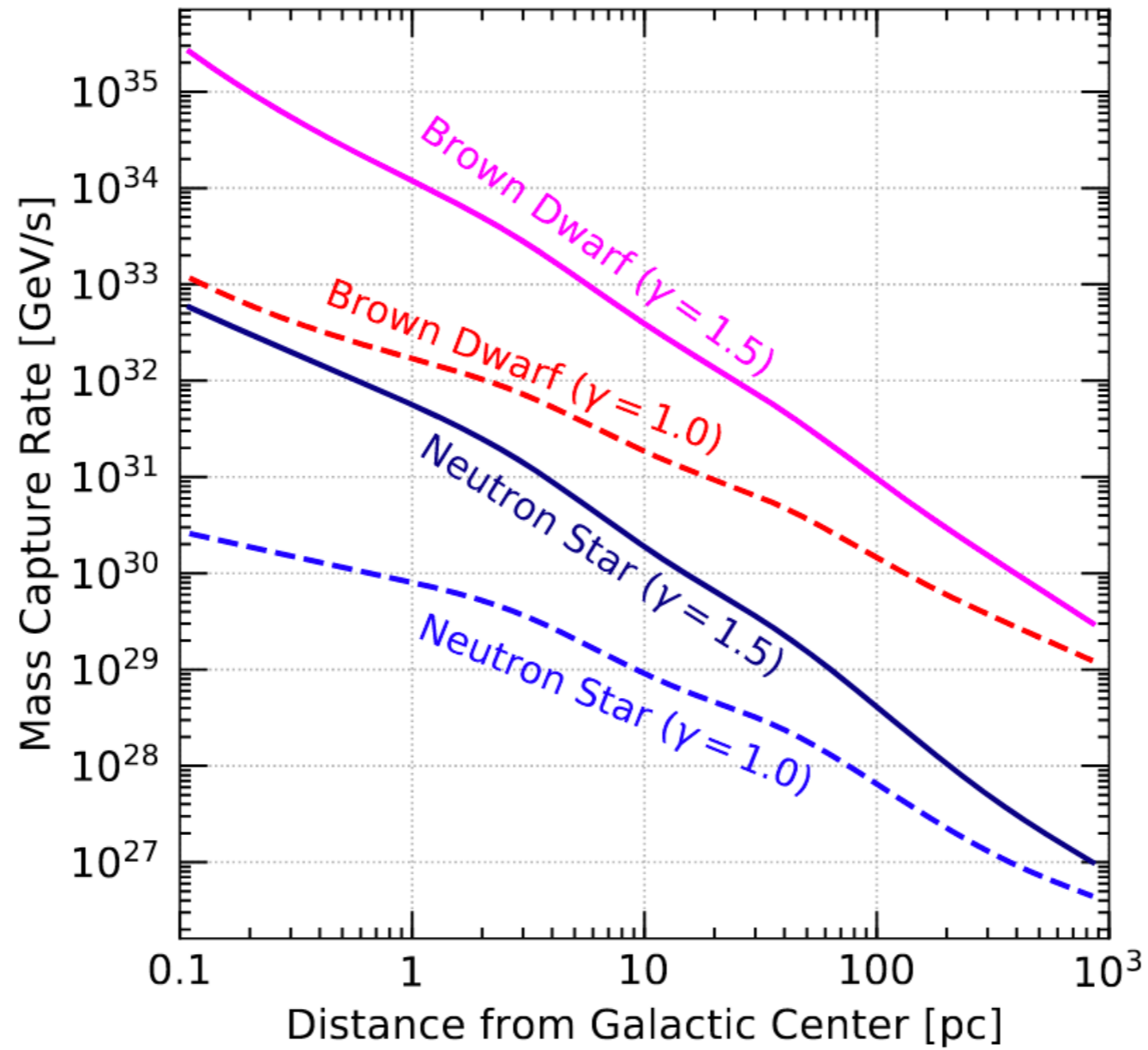
NSs in GC- Nuclear Cluster Models

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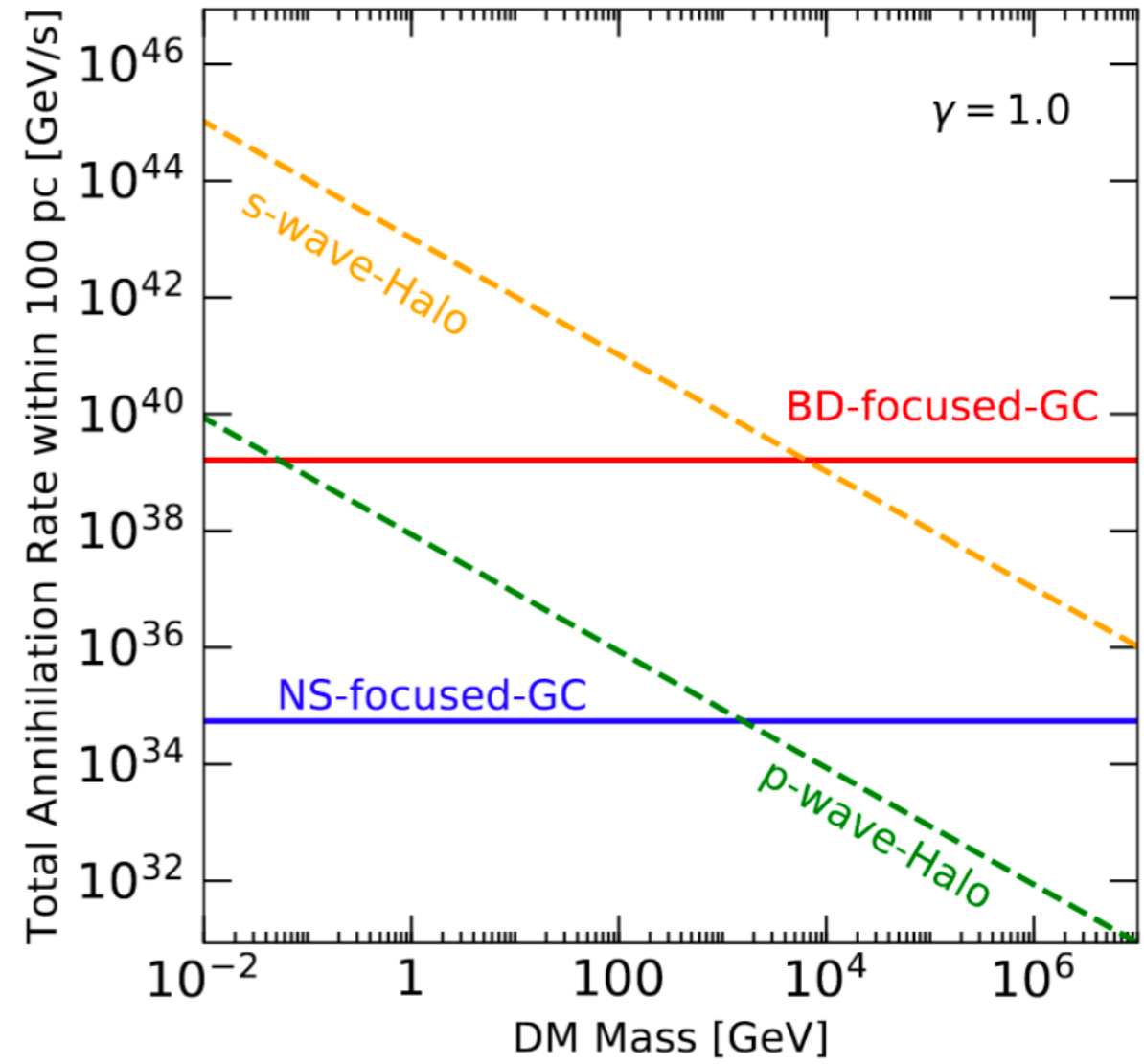
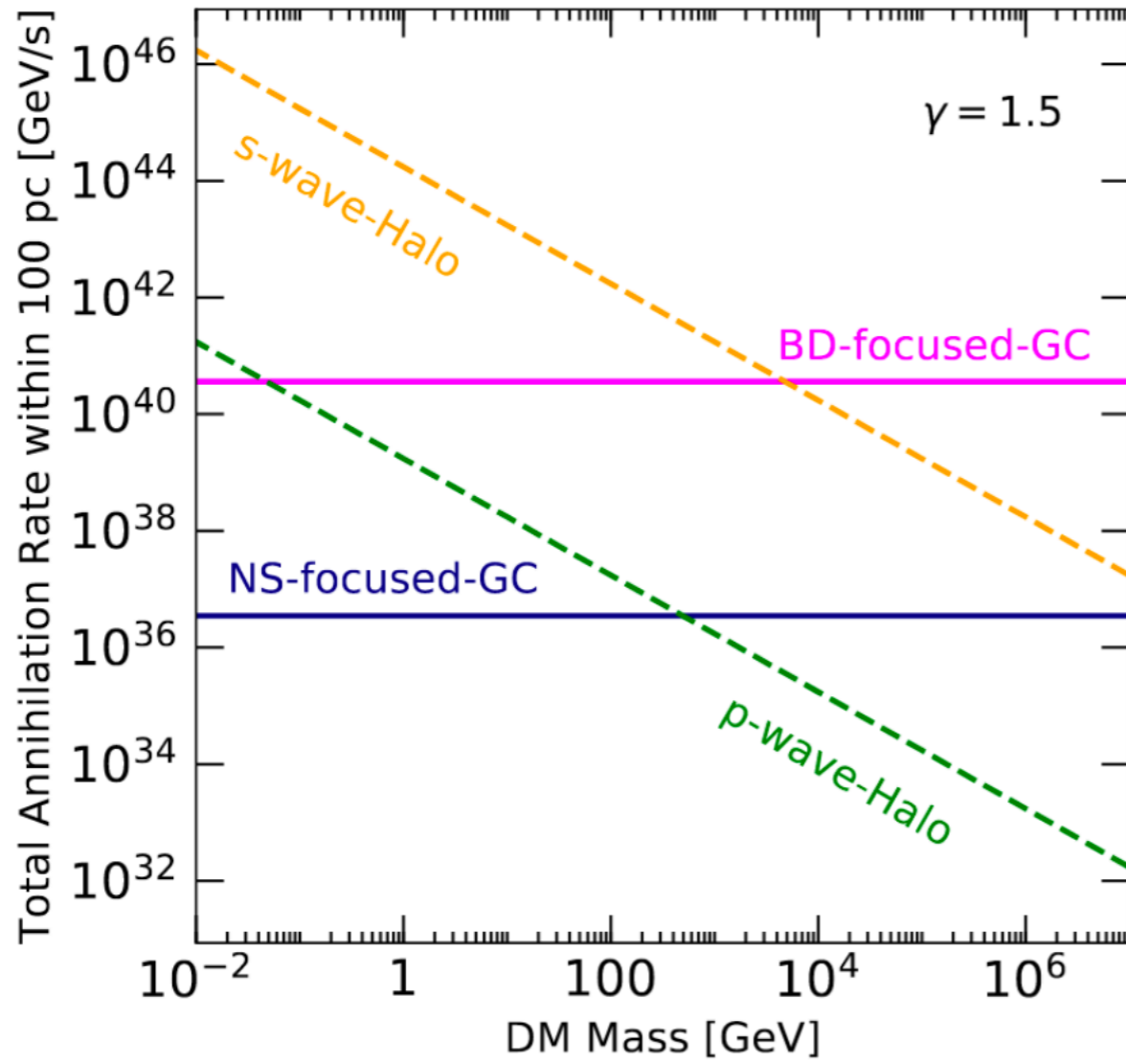
Standard Generalized NFW for DM density

$$\rho_{\chi}(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{(r/r_s)^{\gamma} (1 + (r/r_s))^{3-\gamma}},$$

NS and BD capture rates

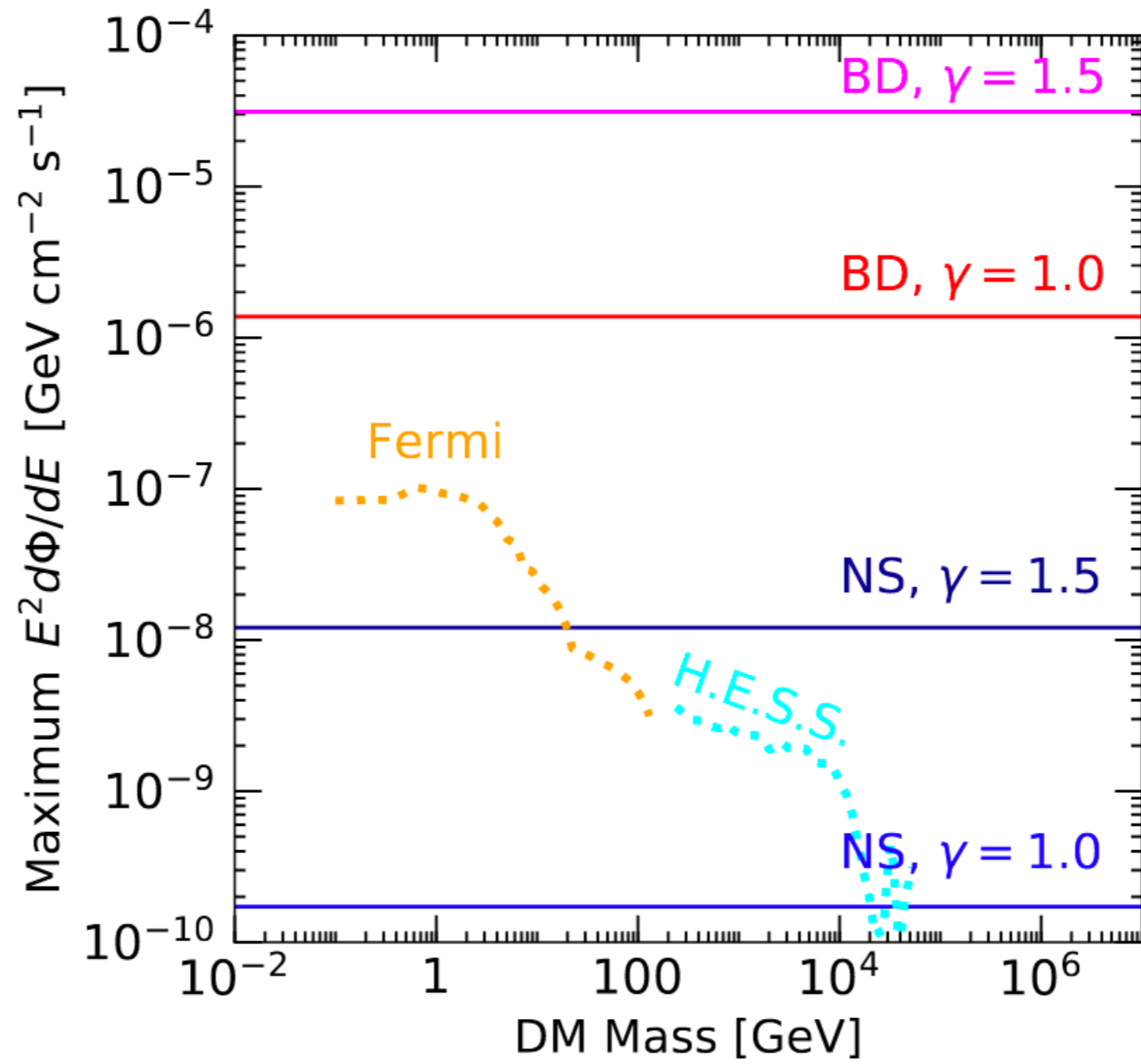


'focused' annihilation vs. Halo annihilation

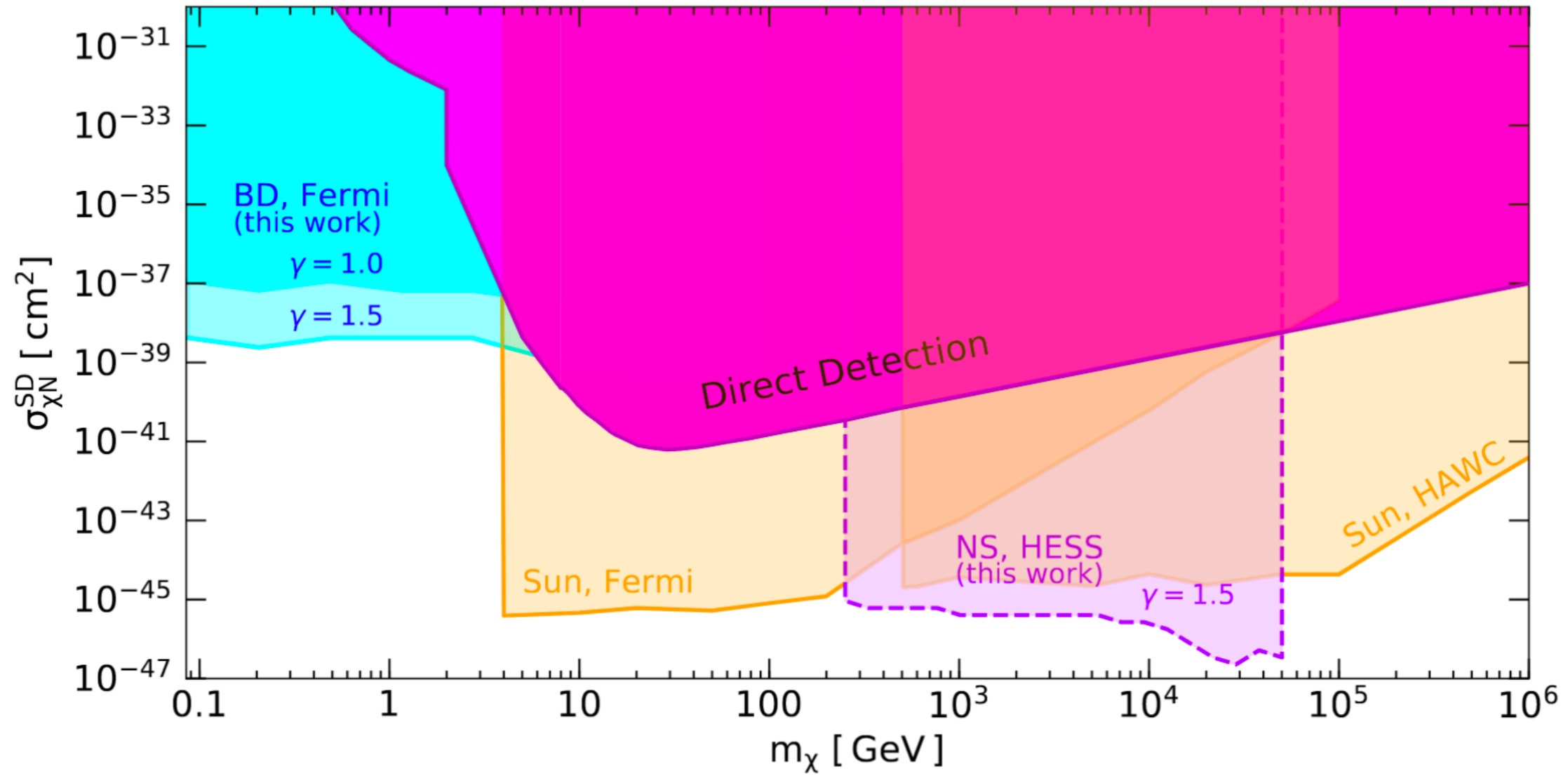


Maximum capture rate assumed for this plot

Galactic Center NS and BD fluxes



Constraints



Conclusions

- 1) Novel DM signatures from celestial bodies in models of annihilation to long-lived mediators explored.**
- 2) Celestial-Body ‘focused’ annihilation can be stronger than standard halo annihilation.**
- 3) The signal will have a novel morphology scaling like the number density of celestial bodies.**
- 4) Strong constraints derived in the sub-GeV with state-of-the art telescope measurements.**

Thanks for your attention !