

New gamma ray and positron contributions to supersymmetric dark matter annihilations

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Outline

- Neutralinos as dark matter
- New gamma ray signatures from halo annihilation:
 - Internal Bremsstrahlung (final state radiation)
- New positron signatures

The neutralino as a WIMP

- Many ways to break supersymmetry exists. Will choose a phenomenological low-energy MSSM as one example and mSUGRA as another.

The neutralino:

$$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 = N_{11}\tilde{B} + N_{12}\tilde{W}^3 + N_{13}\tilde{H}_1^0 + N_{14}\tilde{H}_2^0$$

The neutralino can be the lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP). If R-parity is conserved, it is stable.

The gaugino fraction

$$Z_g = |N_{11}|^2 + |N_{12}|^2$$

The MSSM-7 parameters

- In phenomenologically motivated MSSM we fix parameters (typically 7) at the electro-weak scale

μ	Higgsino mass parameter
M_2	Gaugino mass parameter
m_A	Mass of CP-odd Higgs boson
$\tan \beta$	Ratio of Higgs vacuum expectation values
m_0	Scalar mass parameter
A_b	Trilinear coupling, bottom sector
A_t	Trilinear coupling, top sector

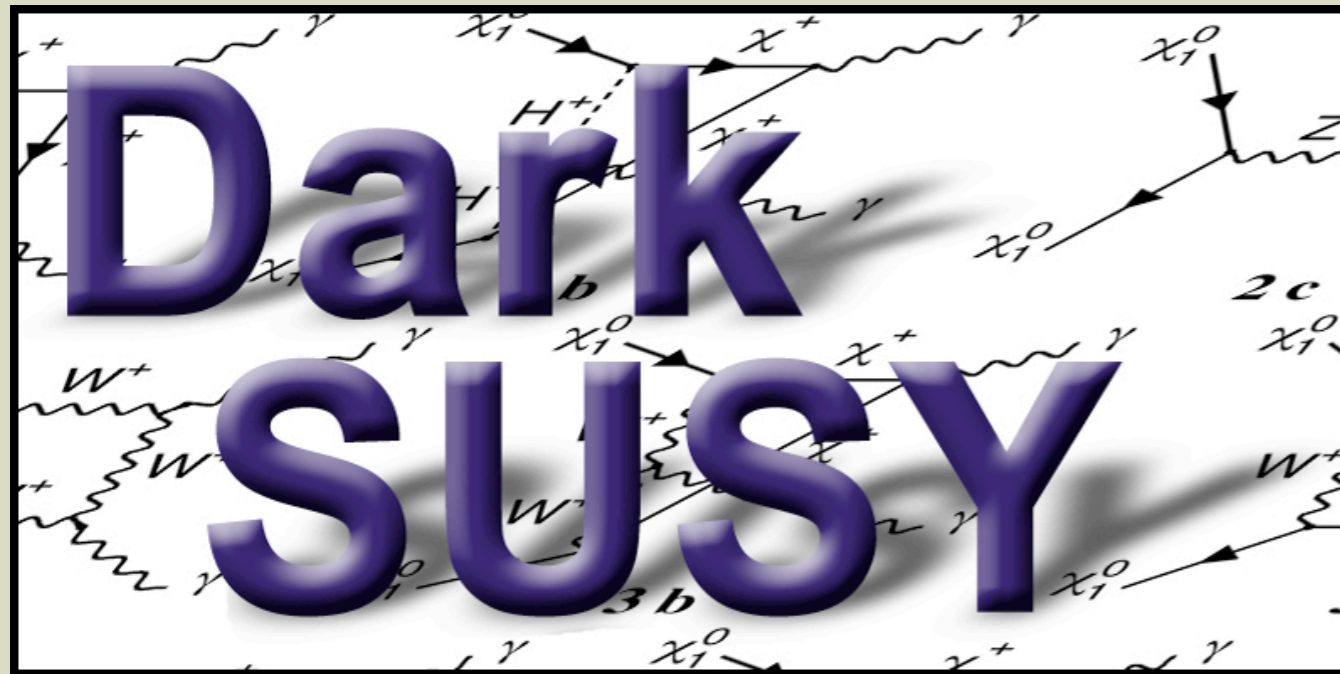
The neutralino in mSUGRA

- Fix mass parameters (typically 5) at GUT scale and run RGEs to low energy scale

$\text{sgn}(\mu)$	Sign of Higgsino mass parameter
$m_{1/2}$	Gaugino mass parameter (at GUT scale)
$\tan \beta$	Ratio of Higgs vacuum expectation values
m_0	Scalar mass parameter (at GUT scale)
A	Trilinear coupling (at GUT scale)

Interesting regions:

- stau coannihilation region
- funnel region
- focus point region
- stop coannihilation region



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4.2 coming
soon!

Version 4.1 available now

- MSSM or mSUGRA
- Masses and couplings
- Relic density
- Lab constraints
- Rates: neutrino telescopes
- Rates: gamma rays
- Rates: antiprotons, positrons, antideuterons
- Rates: direct detection

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**DarkSUSY: computing supersymmetric
dark-matter properties numerically**

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www.physto.se/~edsjo/darksusy

Uses FeynHiggs, HDecay and Isasugra.
v4.2 will also use galprop and include final state
radiation and neutrino oscillations.

Calculational flowchart

- Select model parameters
- Calculate masses etc
- Check accelerator constraints
- Calculate the relic density
- Check if the relic density is cosmologically OK
- Calculate fluxes, rates, etc
- Calculation done with



DarkSUSY 4.1 available on
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The relic density

$$\Omega_\chi h^2 = 0.1113^{+0.0044}_{-0.0061}$$

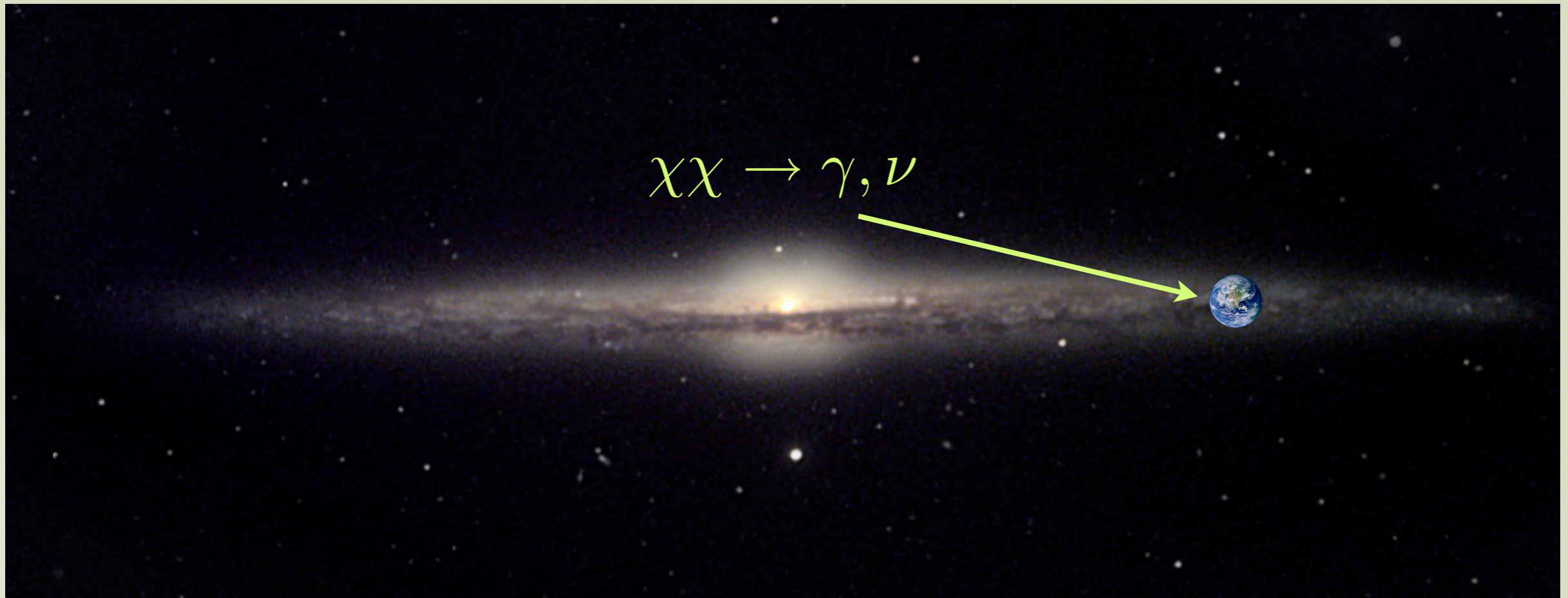
from WMAP+SDSS LRG

D. Spergel et al., astro-ph/0603449

Why gamma rays?

- Rather high rates
- No attenuation (except from very close to dense sources)
- Point directly back to the source
- No diffusion model uncertainties as for charged particles
- There can be **clear spectral signatures** to look for

Annihilation in the halo



- Gamma rays can be searched for with e.g. Air Cherenkov Telescopes (ACTs) or GLAST (launch June 7, 2008).
- Signal depends strongly on the halo profile,

$$\Phi \propto \int_{\text{line of sight}} \rho^2 dl$$

Annihilation to gamma rays

- **Monochromatic**

At loop-level, annihilation can occur to

$$\gamma\gamma \Rightarrow E_\gamma = m_\chi$$

$$Z\gamma \Rightarrow E_\gamma = m_\chi - \frac{m_Z^2}{4m_\chi}$$

Features

- directionality – no propagation uncertainties
- low fluxes, but clear signature
- strong halo profile dependence

- **Continuous**

WIMP annihilation can also produce a continuum of gamma rays

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

Features (compared to lines)

- lower energy
- more gammas / annihilation
- rather high fluxes
- not a very clear signature

Gamma ray fluxes from the halo

We can write the flux as

$$\Phi_\gamma(\eta, \Delta\Omega) = 9.35 \cdot 10^{-14} S \times \langle J(\eta, \Delta\Omega) \rangle \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}$$

with

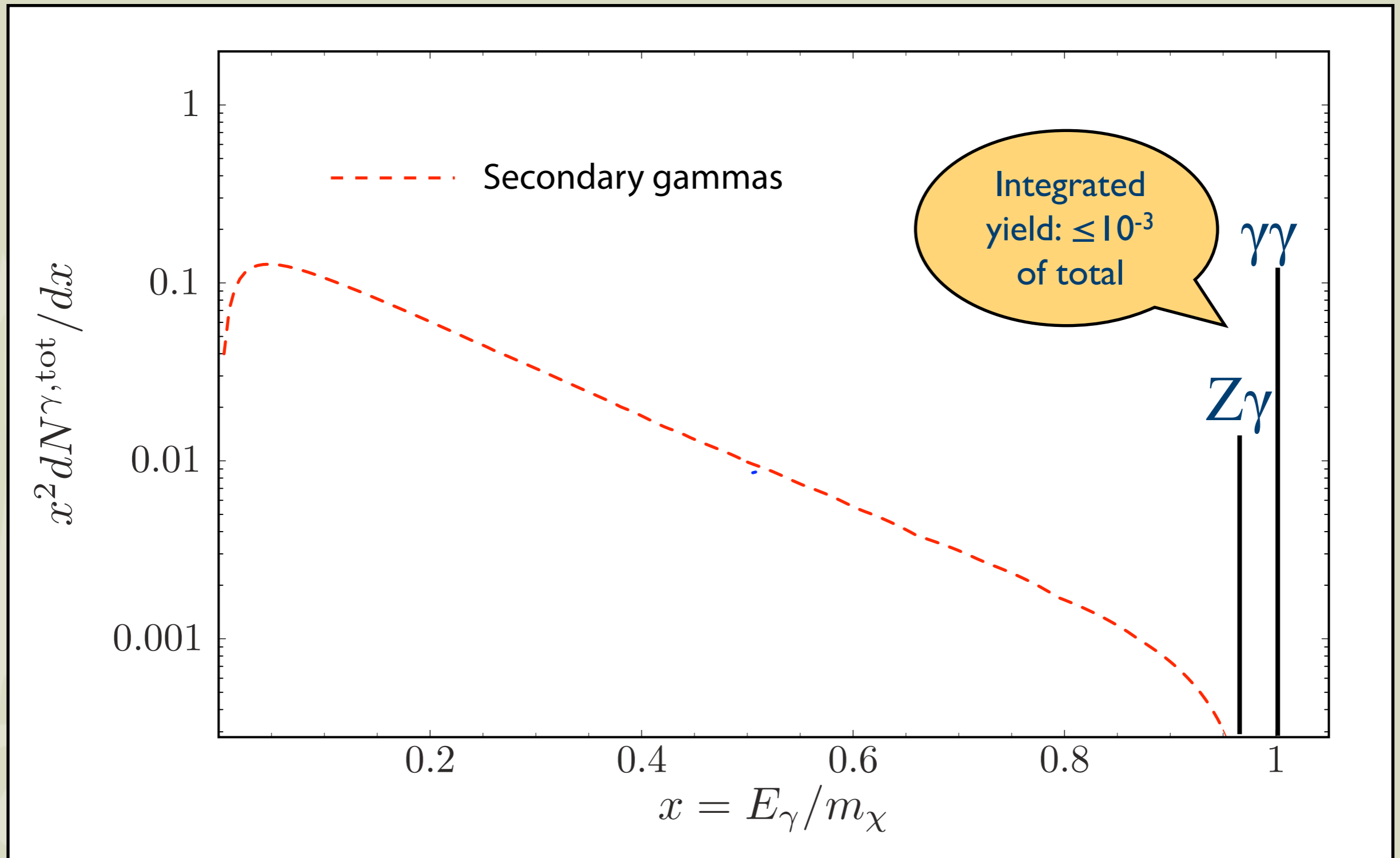
Focus on this factor!

$$S = N_\gamma \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{10^{-29} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}} \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{m_\chi} \right)^2 \quad \text{Particle physics (SUSY, ...)}$$

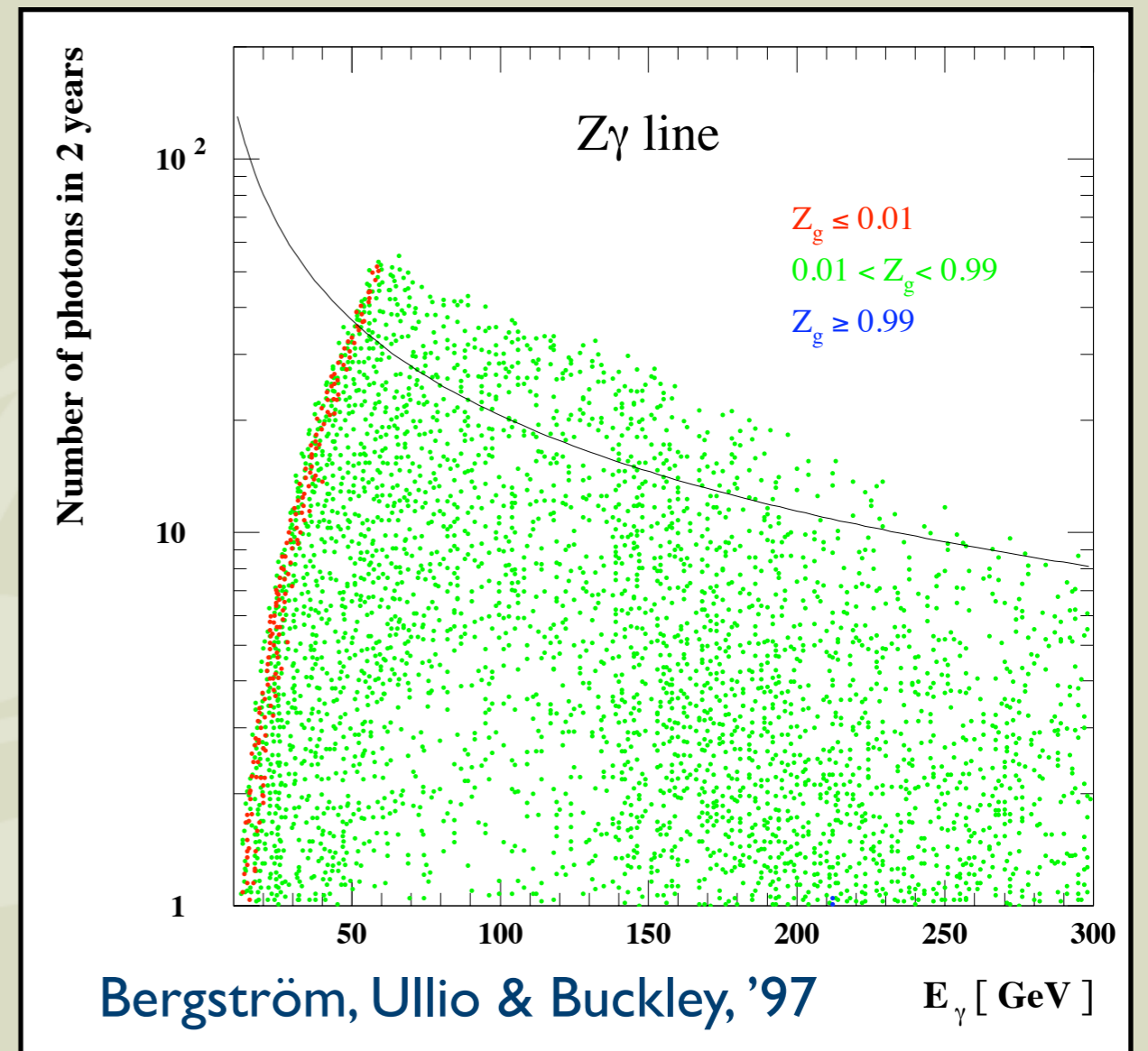
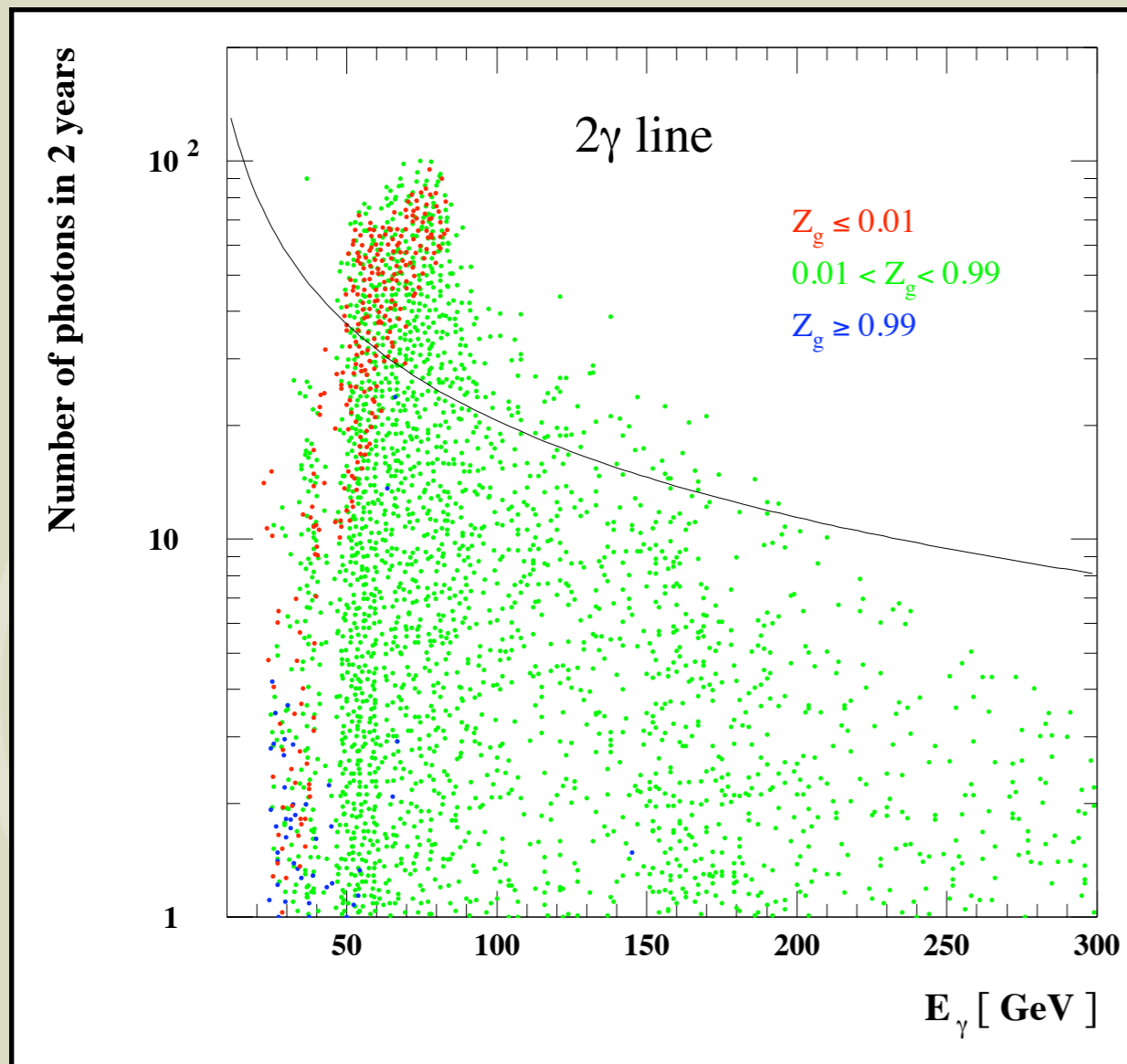
$$\langle J(\eta, \Delta\Omega) \rangle = \frac{1}{8.5 \text{ kpc}} \frac{1}{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\text{line of sight}} \left(\frac{\rho(l)}{0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3} \right)^2 dl(\eta) d\Omega$$

Astrophysics

Typical gamma ray spectrum



Gamma lines – rates in GLAST



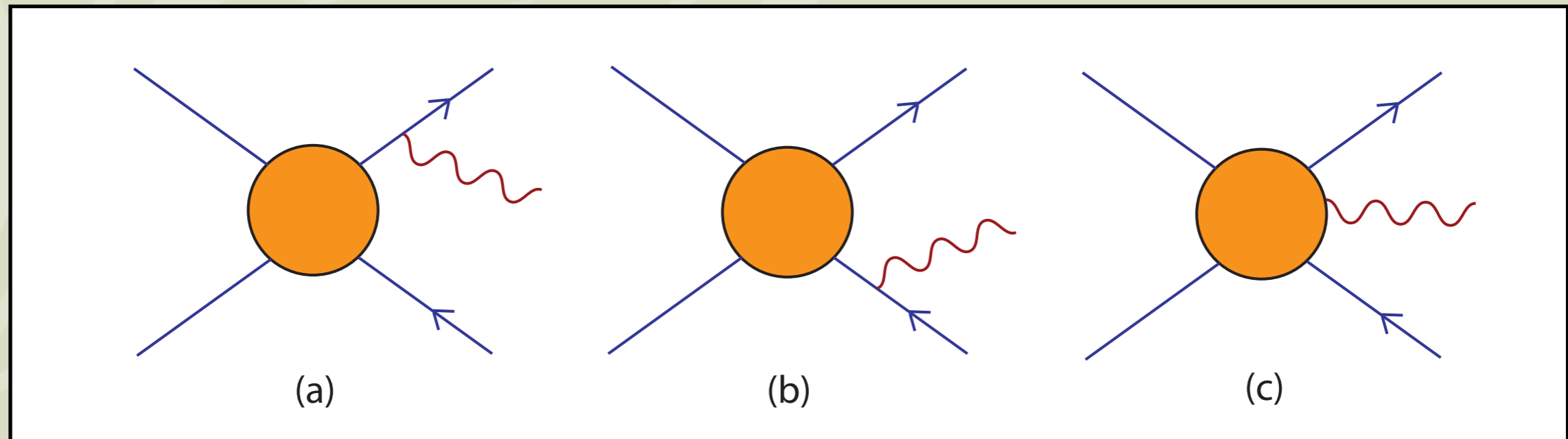
NFW halo profile, $\Delta\Omega \approx 1$ sr



GLAST launch,
June 7, 2008

Internal Bremsstrahlung

- Whenever charged final states are present, photons can also be produced in internal bremsstrahlung processes



Internal Bremsstrahlung

- Bremsstrahlung effects for DM annihilation pointed out by Bergström, PLB 225 (1989) 372.
- Studied recently by e.g.
 - Beacom et al, arXiv: astro-ph/0409403
MeV dark matter
 - Bergström et al, PRL 95 (2005) 241301.
Ann. of gauginos / Higgsinos to W^+W^-
 - Birkedal et al, arXiv: hep-ph/0507194.
Universal forms derived
 - Bergström et al, PRL 94 (2005) 131301.
UED models.
- I will here report on a more general study for SUSY neutralinos

Contributions to the gamma flux

- We can write the contributions to the gamma flux as

$$\frac{dN^{\gamma,\text{tot}}}{dx} = \sum_f B_f \left(\frac{dN_f^{\gamma,\text{sec}}}{dx} + \frac{dN_f^{\gamma,\text{IB}}}{dx} + \frac{dN_f^{\gamma,\text{line}}}{dx} \right)$$

- How large are these different contributions?

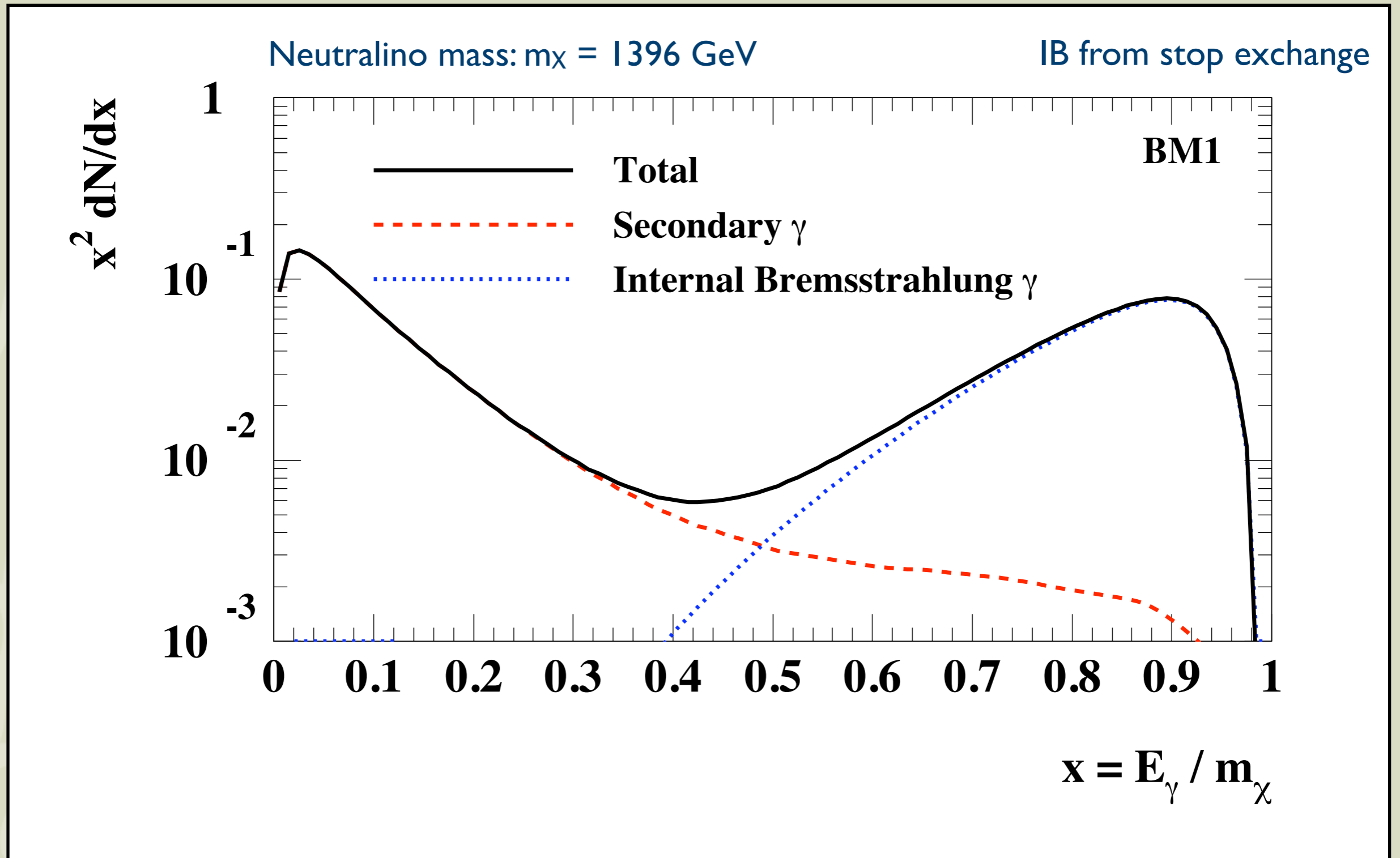
How big are these contributions for neutralinos?

- For Majorana fermion dark matter (e.g. neutralinos), annihilation to fermion-antifermion pairs is helicity suppressed at $v \rightarrow 0$

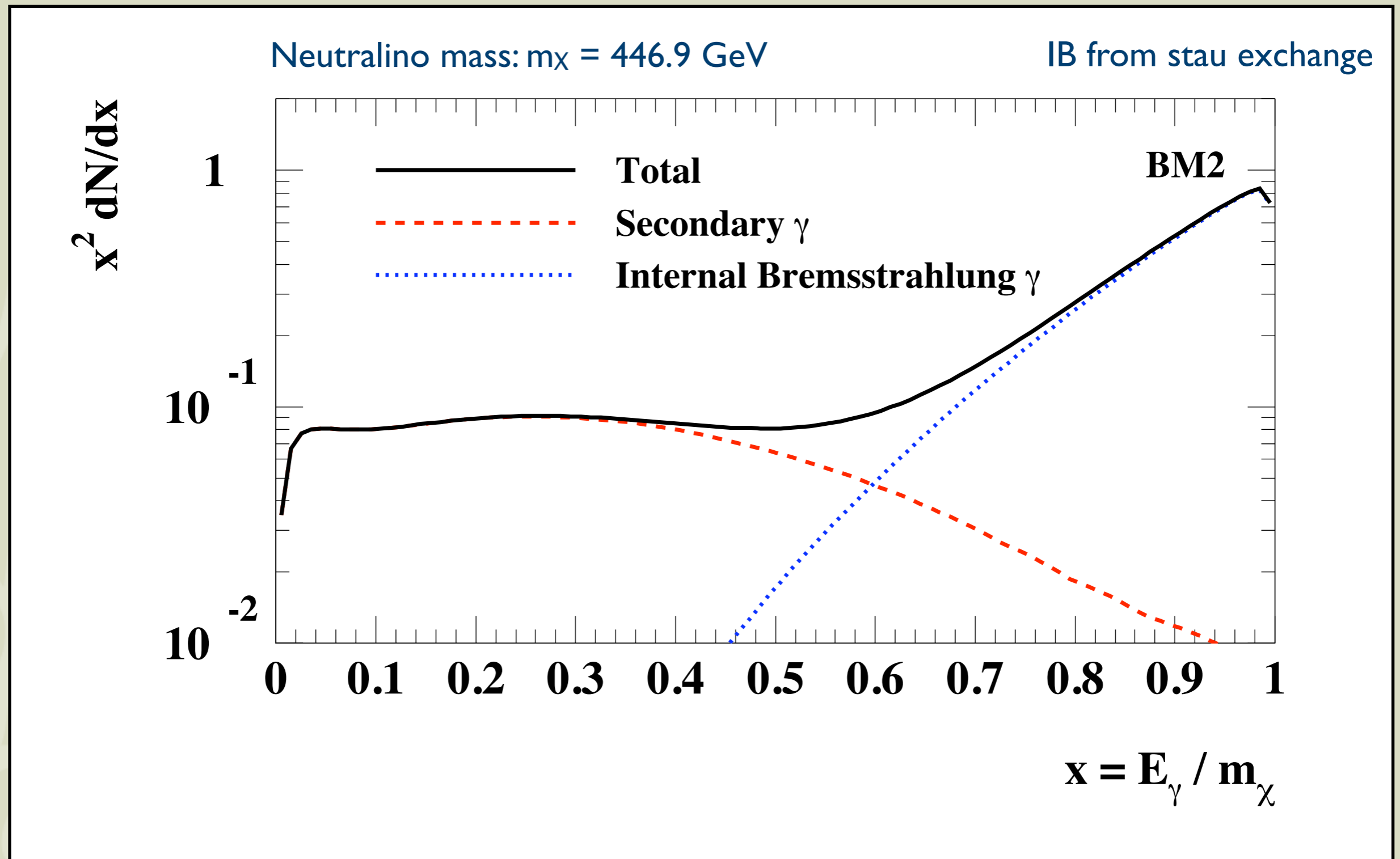
$$\sigma_{f\bar{f}} \propto \frac{m_f^2}{m_\chi^2}$$

- However, when internal bremsstrahlung photons are added, the helicity suppression no longer holds. The cross section can then increase, even though we are punished by an additional factor of α
- These photons can in many cases dominate at high energies

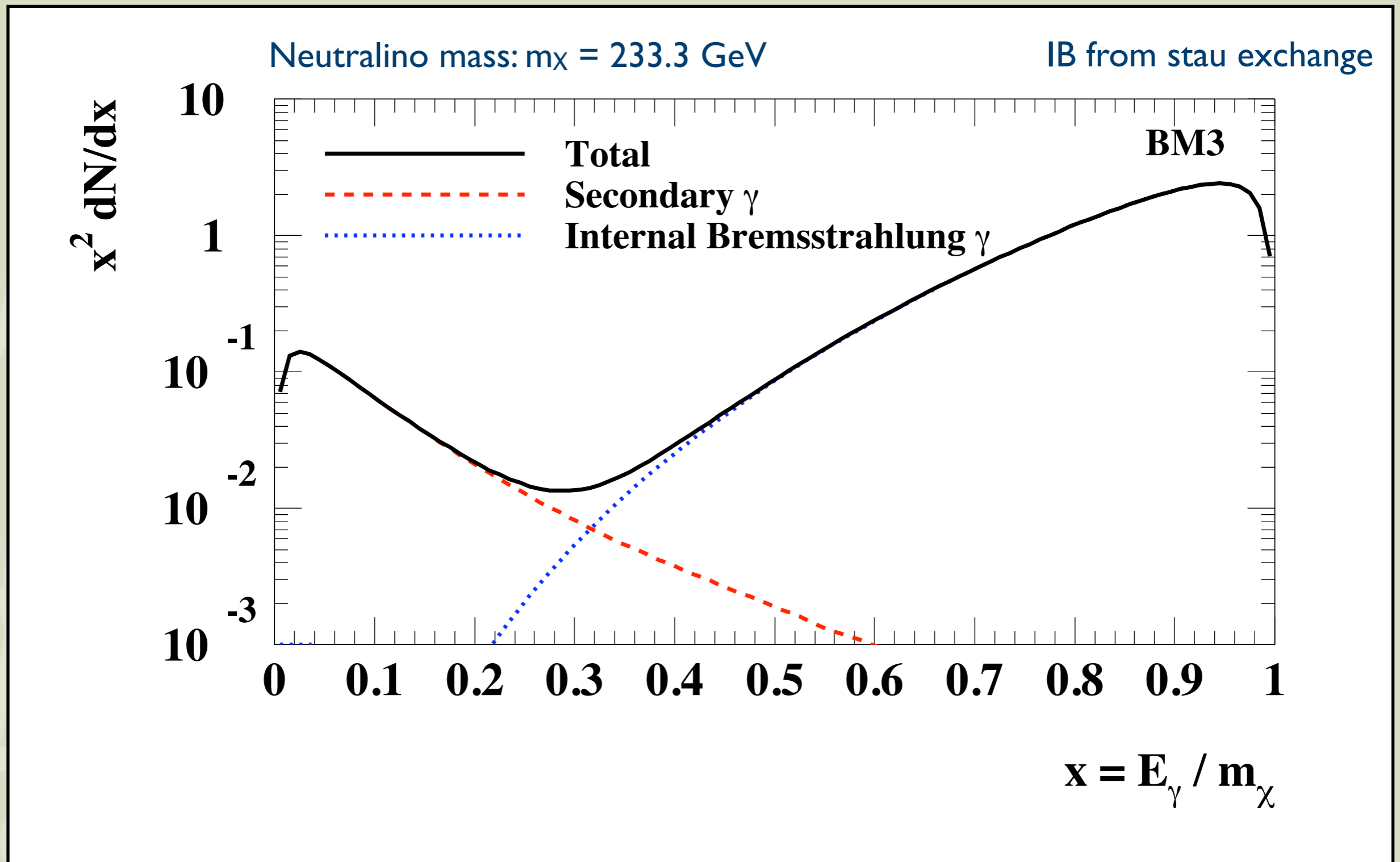
Gamma ray spectrum including IB photons I



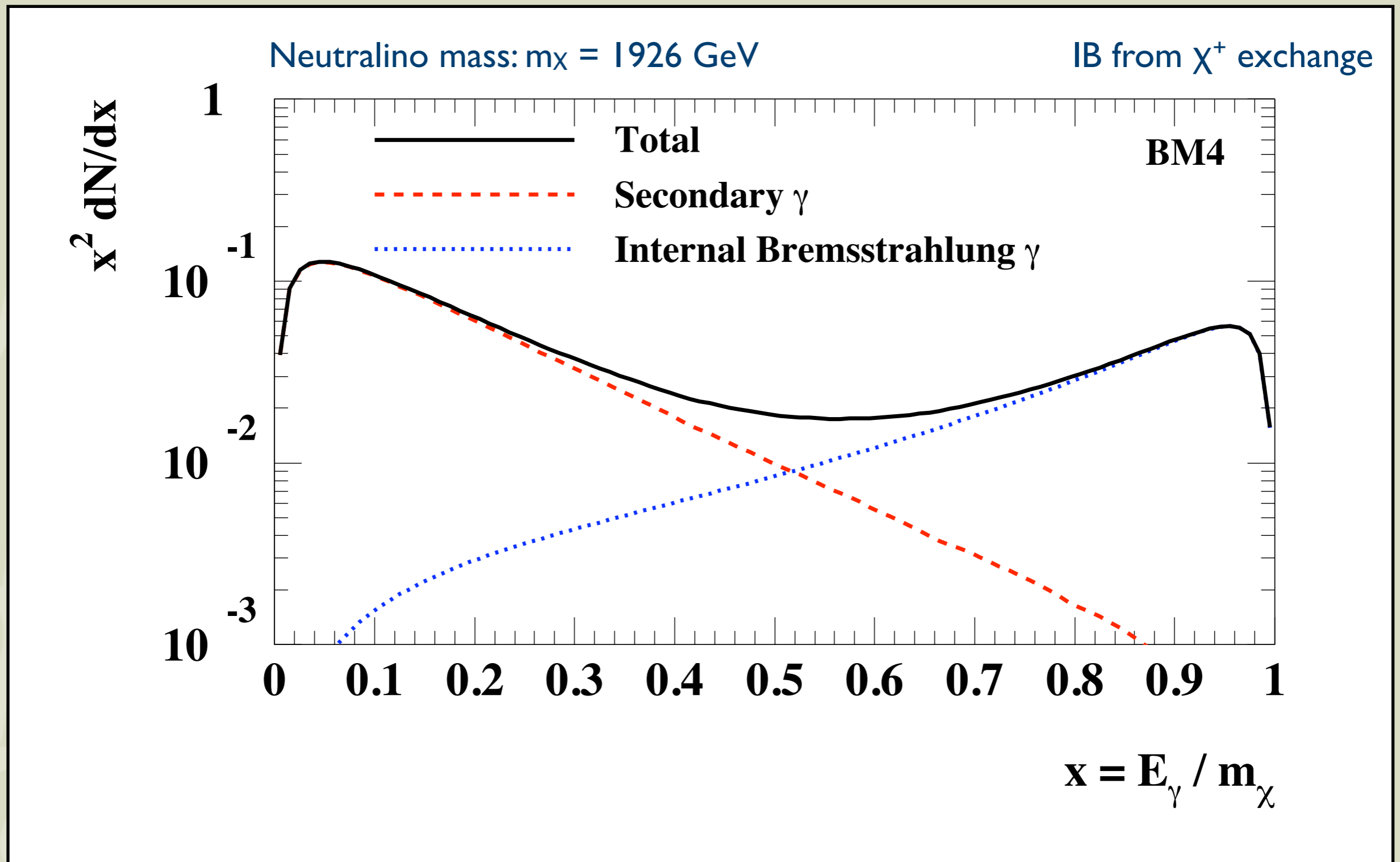
Gamma ray spectrum including IB photons II



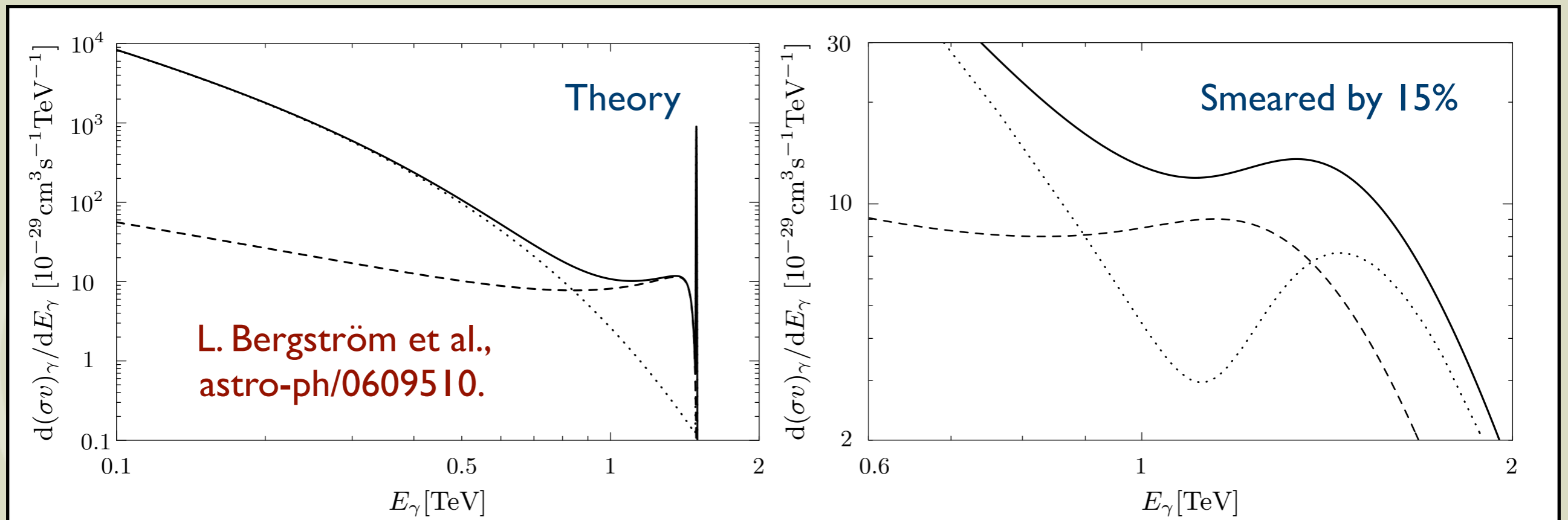
Gamma ray spectrum including IB photons III



Gamma ray spectrum including IB photons IV



Example of experimental smearing



- W^+W^- channel via χ^\pm exchange

More quantitative...

- Let's focus on the high energy part by redefining

$$S = \int_{0.6m_\chi}^{m_\chi} \frac{dN^\gamma}{dE} dE \frac{(\sigma v)}{10^{-29} \text{cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}} \left(\frac{m_\chi}{100 \text{GeV}} \right)^{-2}$$

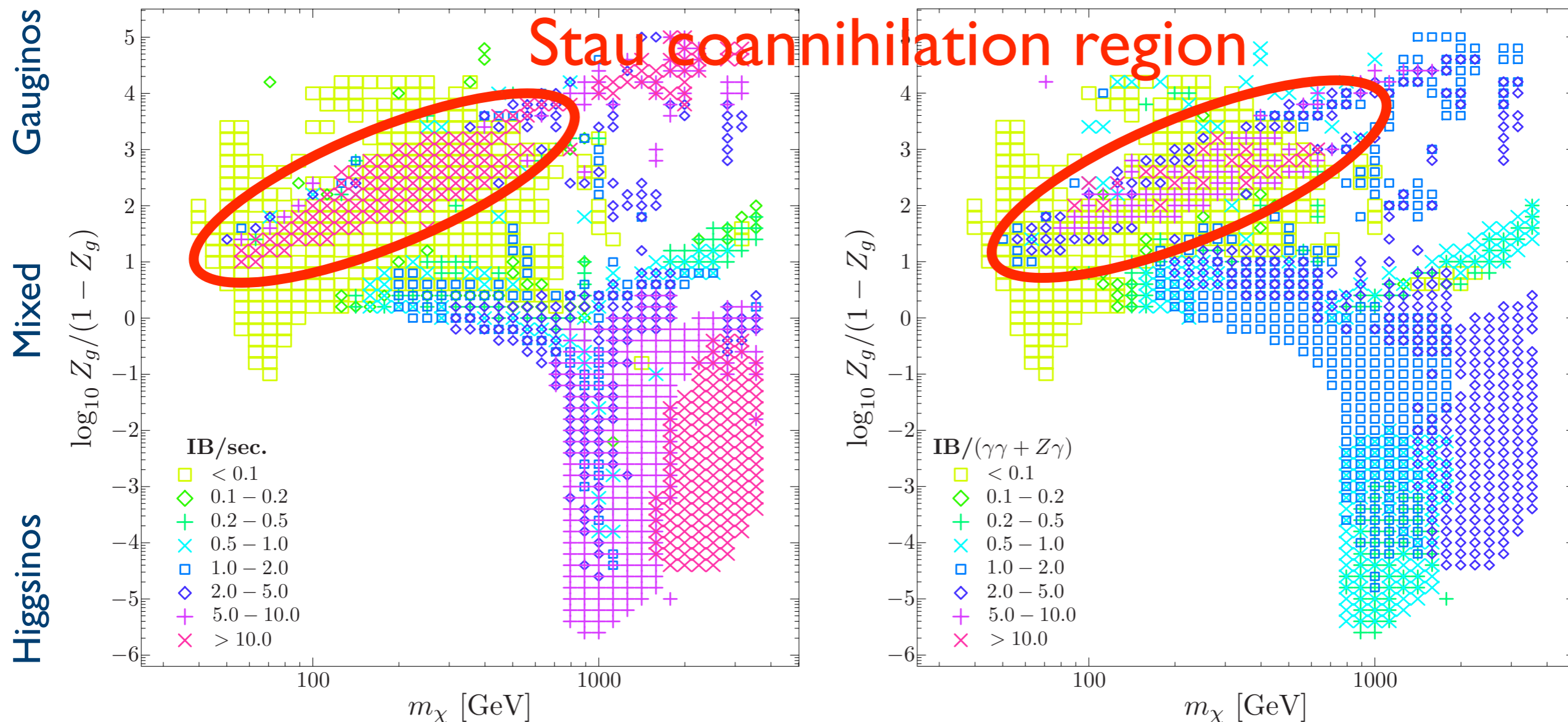
and divide S into the different parts

$$S = S_{\text{IB}} + S_{\text{sec.}} + S_{\text{lines}}$$

Internal Bremsstrahlung

When is it important?

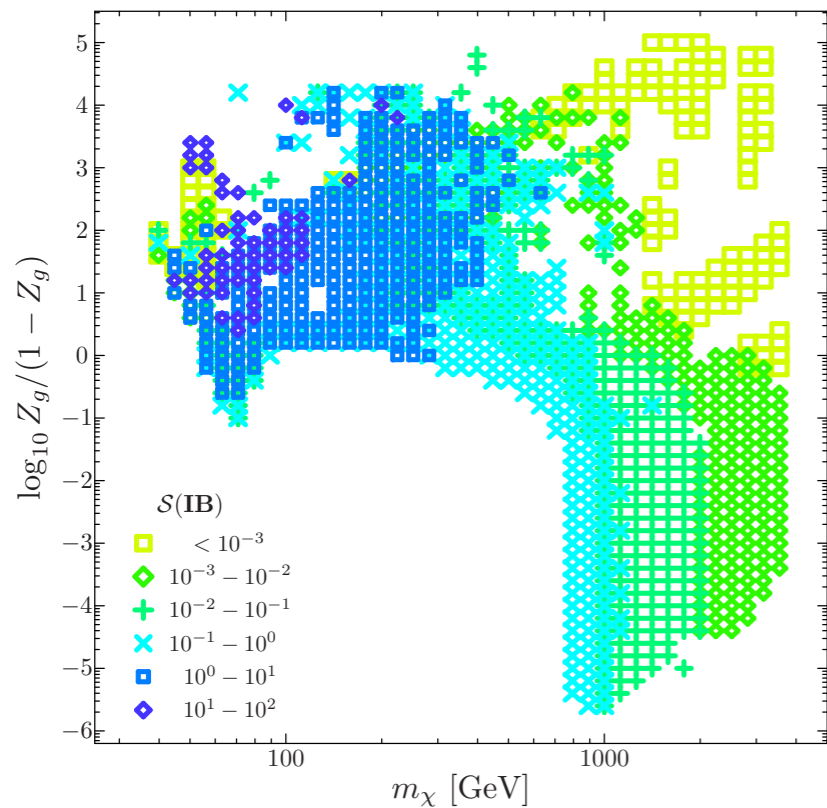
MSSM and mSUGRA scans



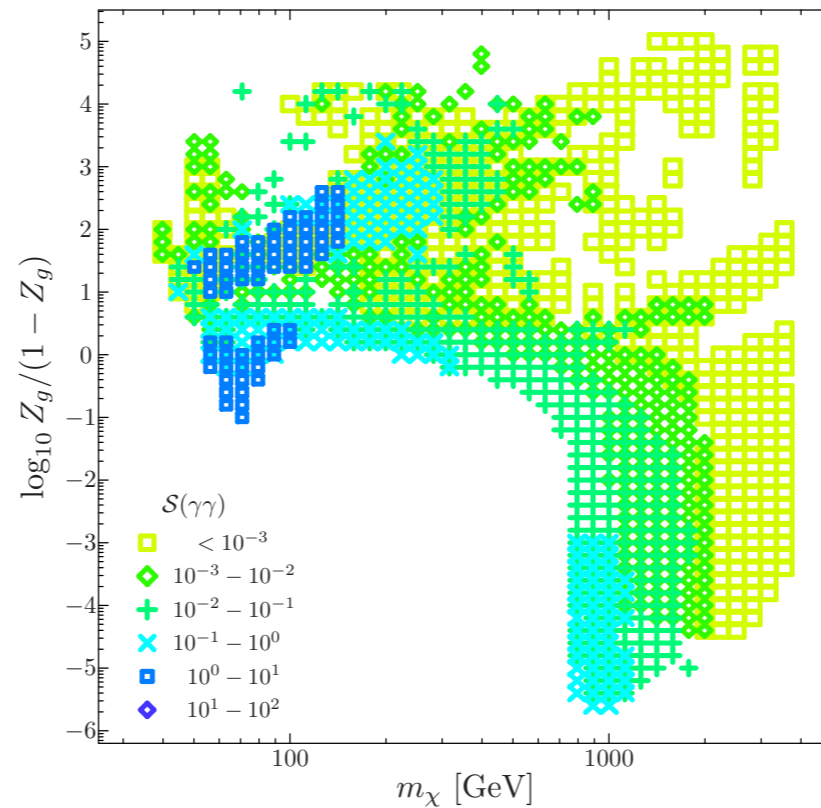
All models OK with WMAP and accelerator constraints. $\text{IB} > 0.6 m_\chi$

Absolute strengths

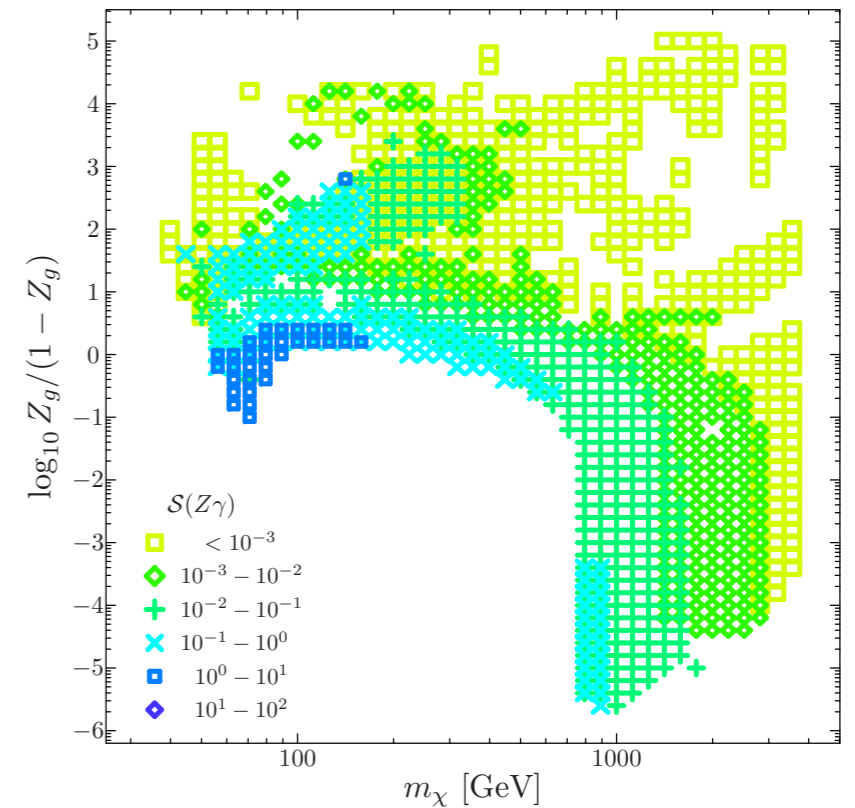
IB



$\gamma\gamma$



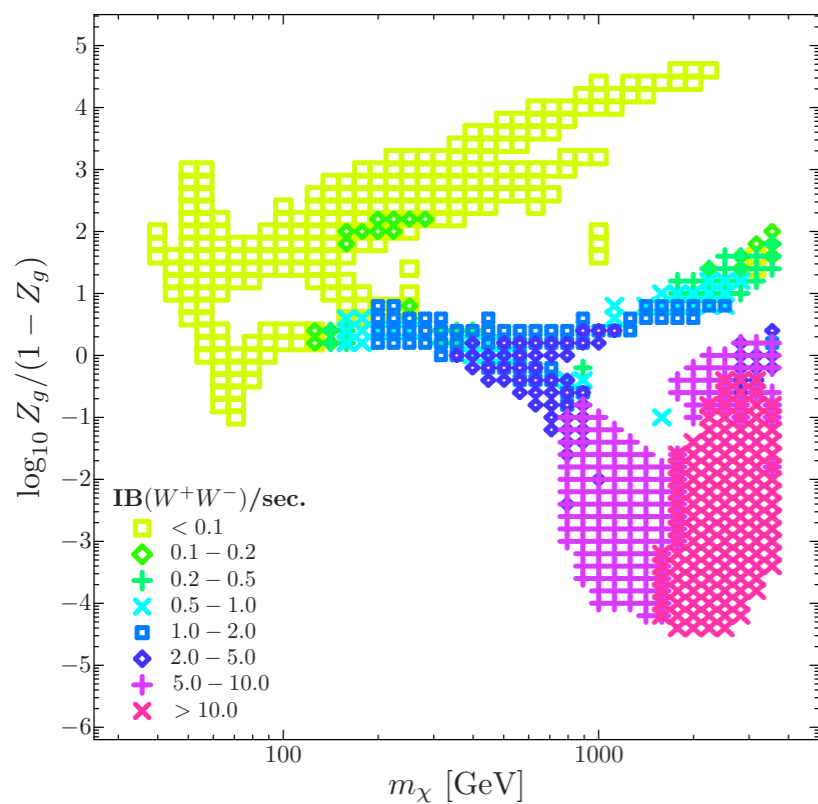
$Z\gamma$



IB can be more important than the lines

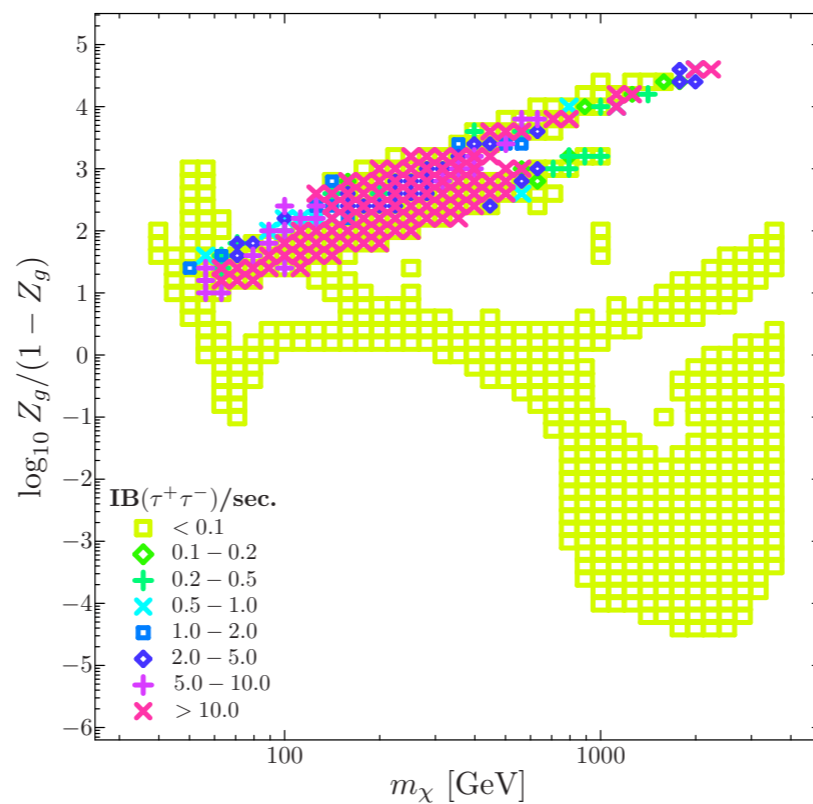
IB/sec. for mSUGRA

$\text{IB}(W^+W^-)/\text{sec.}$



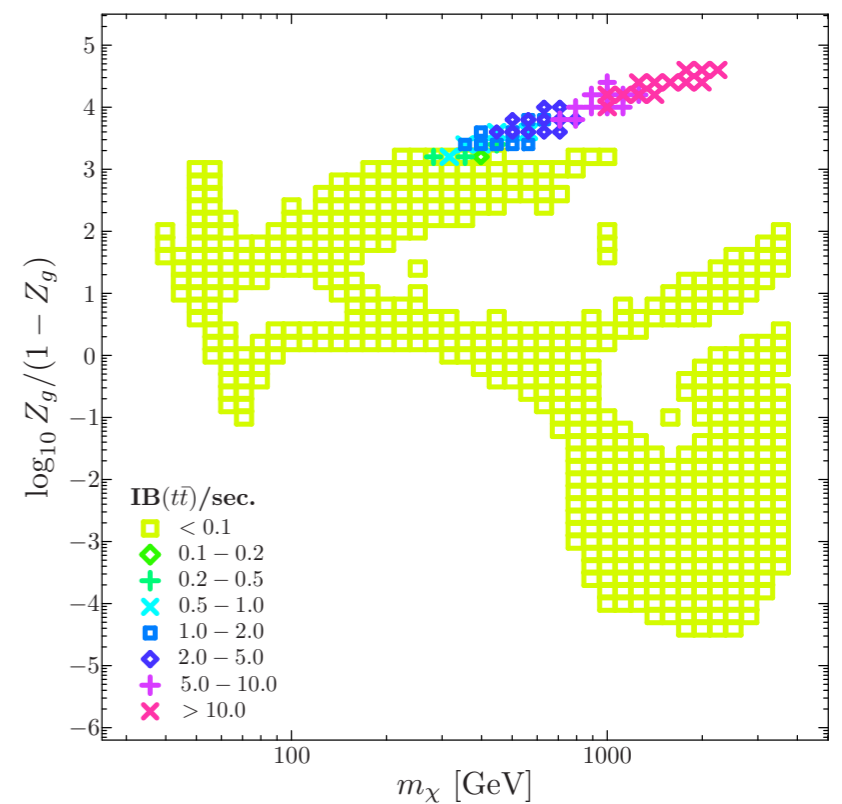
focus point
region

$\text{IB}(\tau^+\tau^-)/\text{sec.}$



stau coannihilation
region

$\text{IB}(t\bar{t})/\text{sec.}$

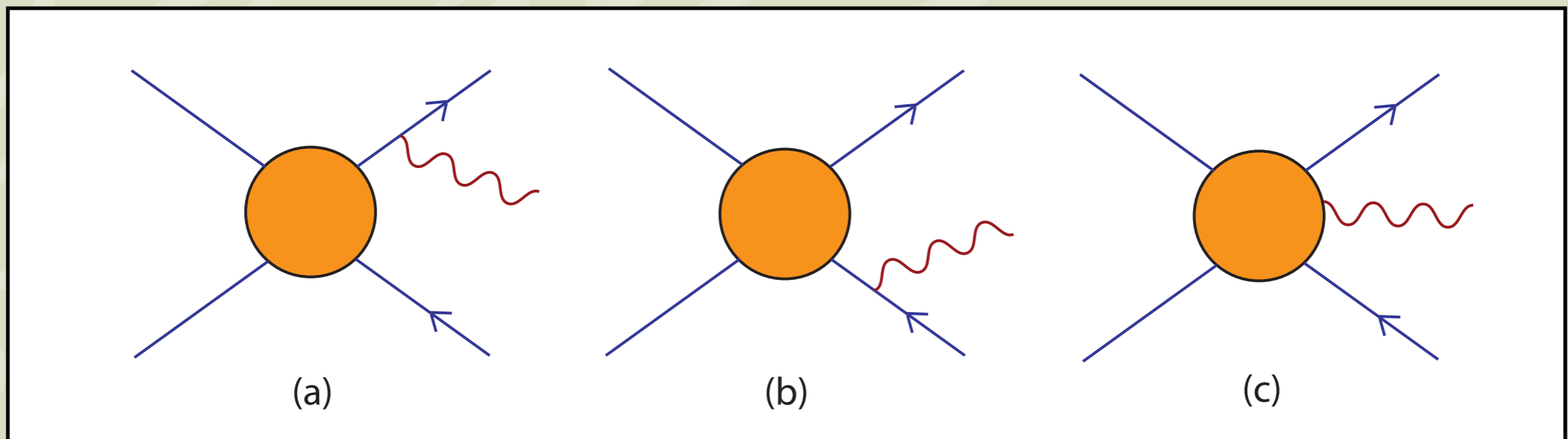


stop coannihilation
region

So, what about the positrons?

L. Bergström, T. Bringmann and J. Edsjö, work in progress

- Annihilations to e^+e^- is helicity suppressed for Majorana fermion WIMPs (e.g. neutralinos)
- Hence, direct annihilation to e^+e^- is never important
- BUT, internal bremsstrahlung of photons cause the cross section for annihilation into $e^+e^-\gamma$ to increase. Can it be enhanced enough to be of importance for e^+ searches?



When is the effect large?

- Typically, the $e^+e^-\gamma$ cross section can be large when the selectrons are light
- This can happen e.g. in the stau coannihilation region in mSUGRA
- In MSSM-7, it only happens when essentially all sfermions are light (and typically the selectron is not that light in these cases). However, this is just an artefact of how MSSM-7 is parameterized. Hence, introduce...

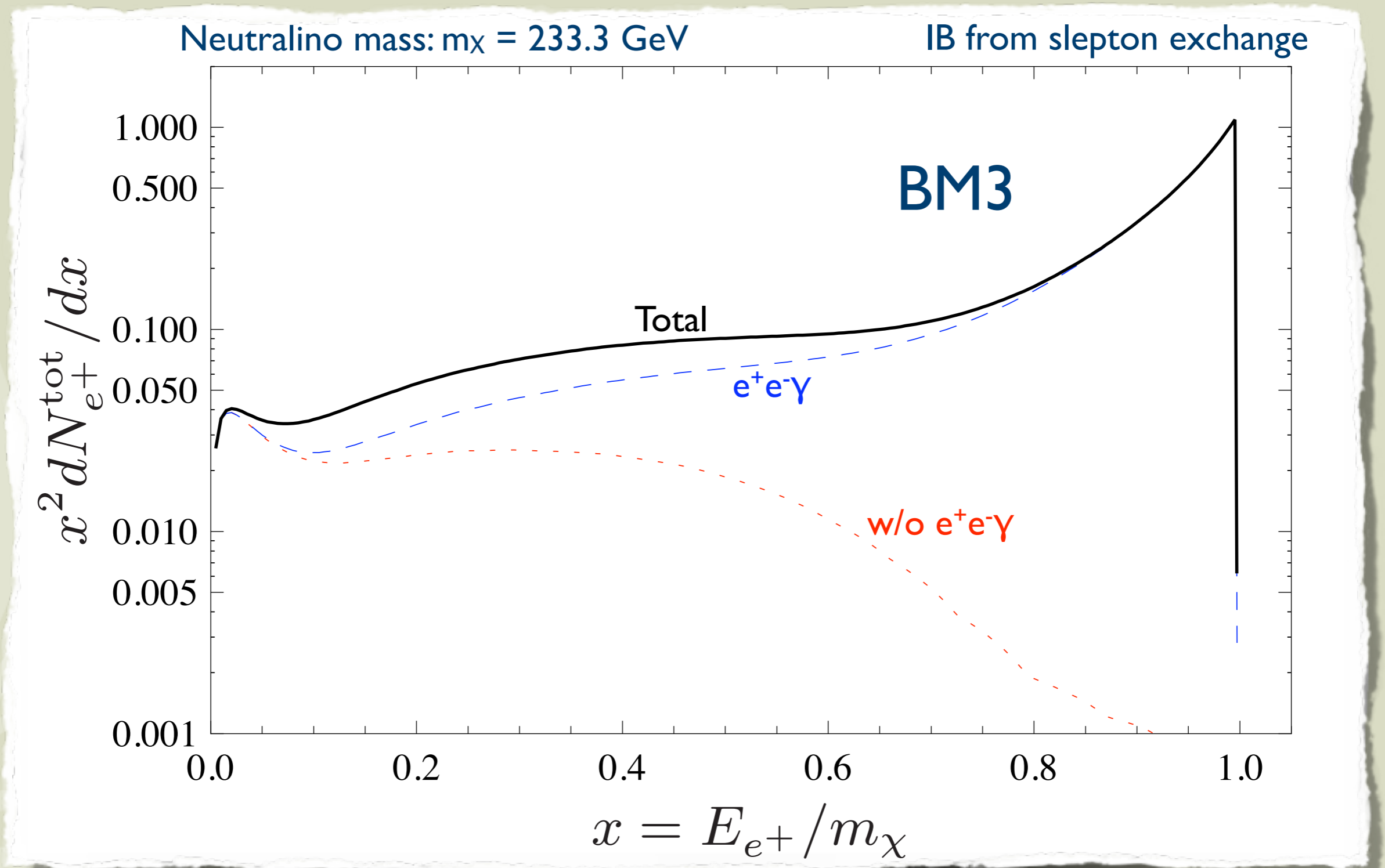
MSSM-9

- In order to get light selectrons and allow more freedom for the neutralino composition, we introduce MSSM-9 with two more parameters:

μ	Higgsino mass parameter	
M_1	Gaugino mass parameter	New
M_2	Gaugino mass parameter	
m_A	Mass of CP-odd Higgs boson	
$\tan \beta$	Ratio of Higgs vacuum expectation values	
m_0	Scalar mass parameter	
$m_{\tilde{e}}$	Selectron mass parameter (not mass directly)	New
A_b	Trilinear coupling, bottom sector	
A_t	Trilinear coupling, top sector	

$$\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{e}}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{M}_L^2 + \mathbf{m}_e \mathbf{m}_e^\dagger + D_{LL}^e \mathbf{1} & -\mathbf{m}_e^\dagger (\mathbf{A}_E^\dagger + \mu^* \tan \beta) \\ -(\mathbf{A}_E + \mu \tan \beta) \mathbf{m}_e & \mathbf{M}_E^2 + \mathbf{m}_e^\dagger \mathbf{m}_e + D_{RR}^e \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

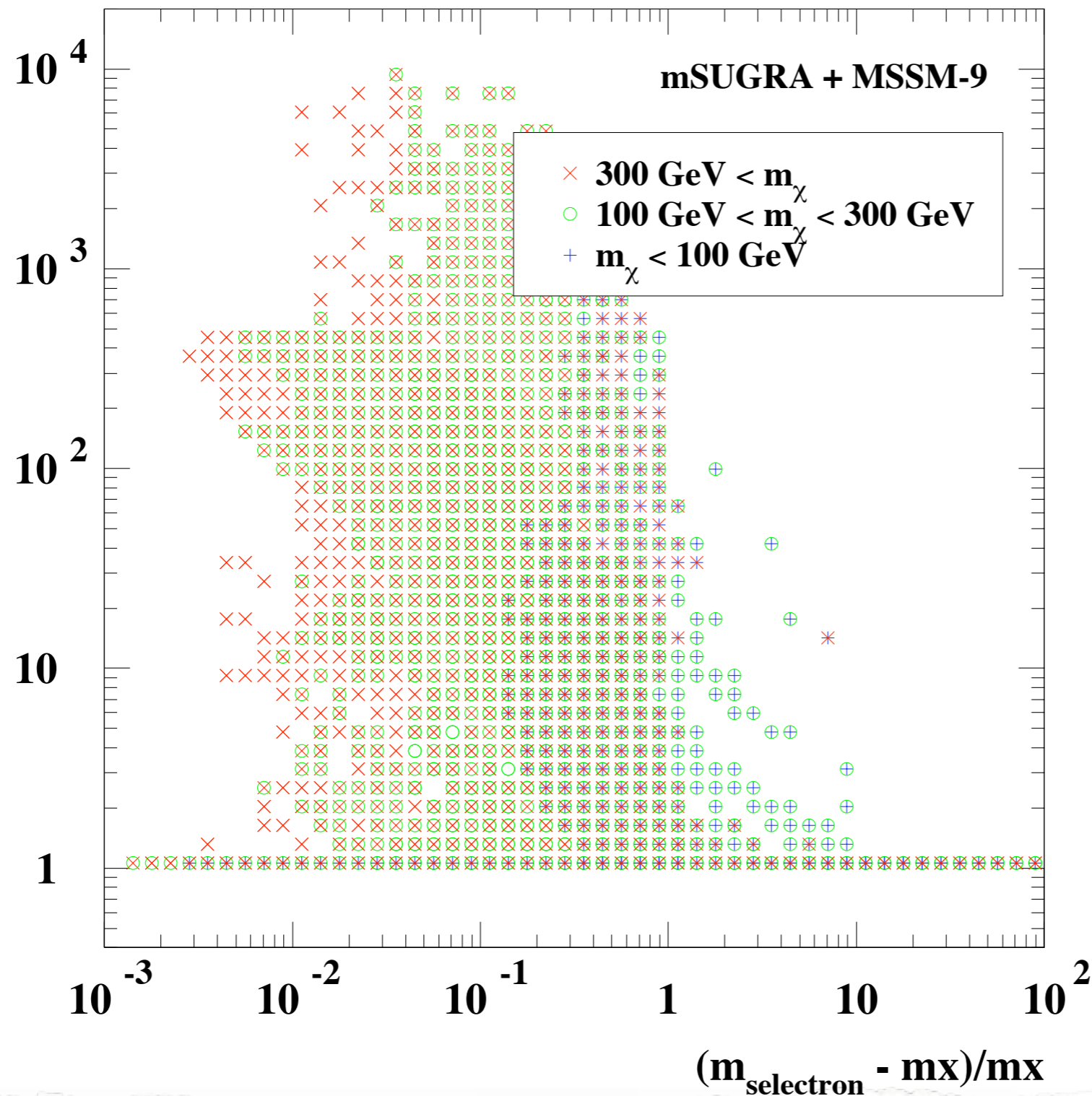
Example mSUGRA e^+ spectrum



Very nice spectral feature!

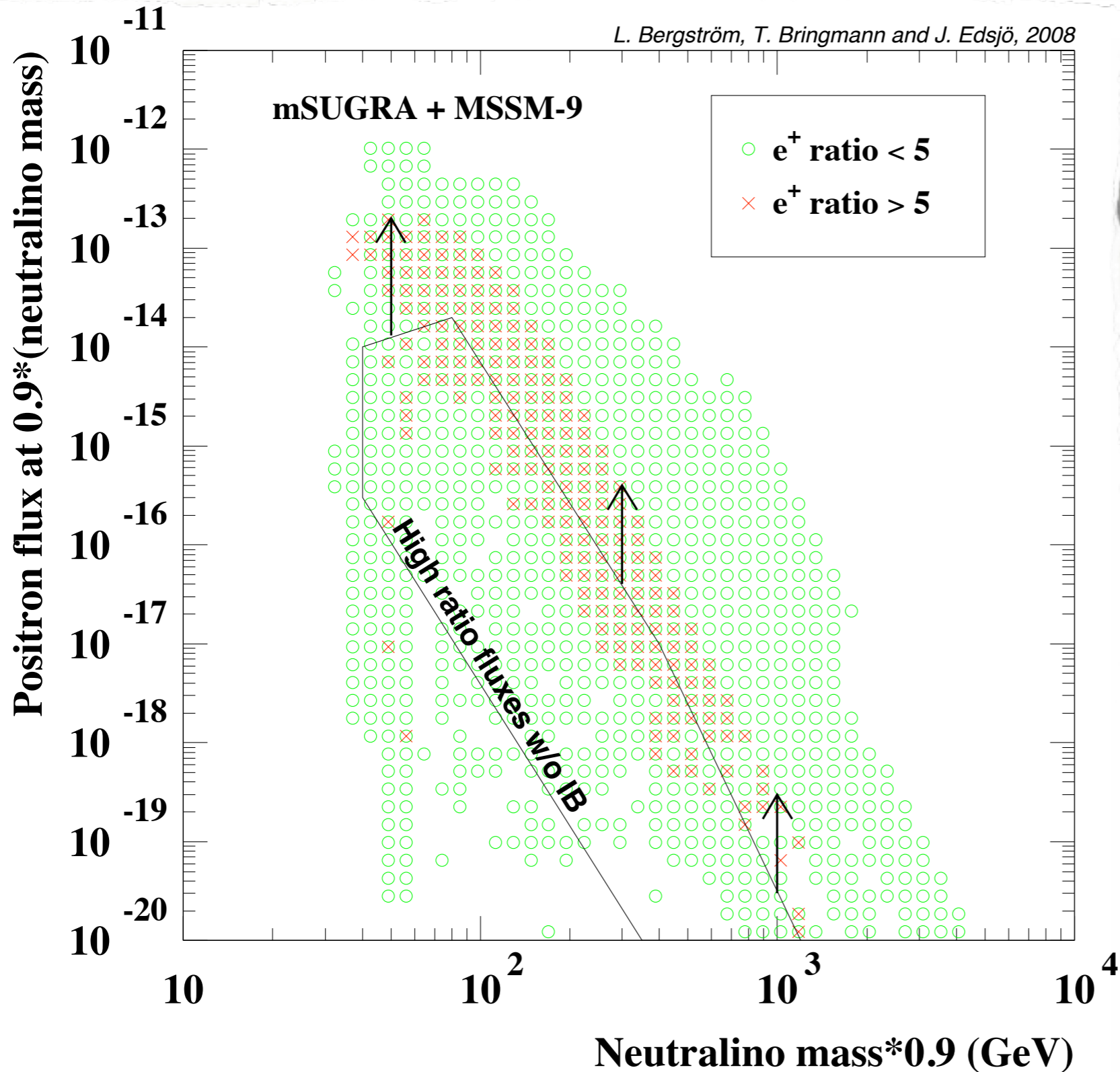
Enhancement factors at $0.9m_\chi$

Ratio of eplus flux at $0.9m_\chi$ with/without IB



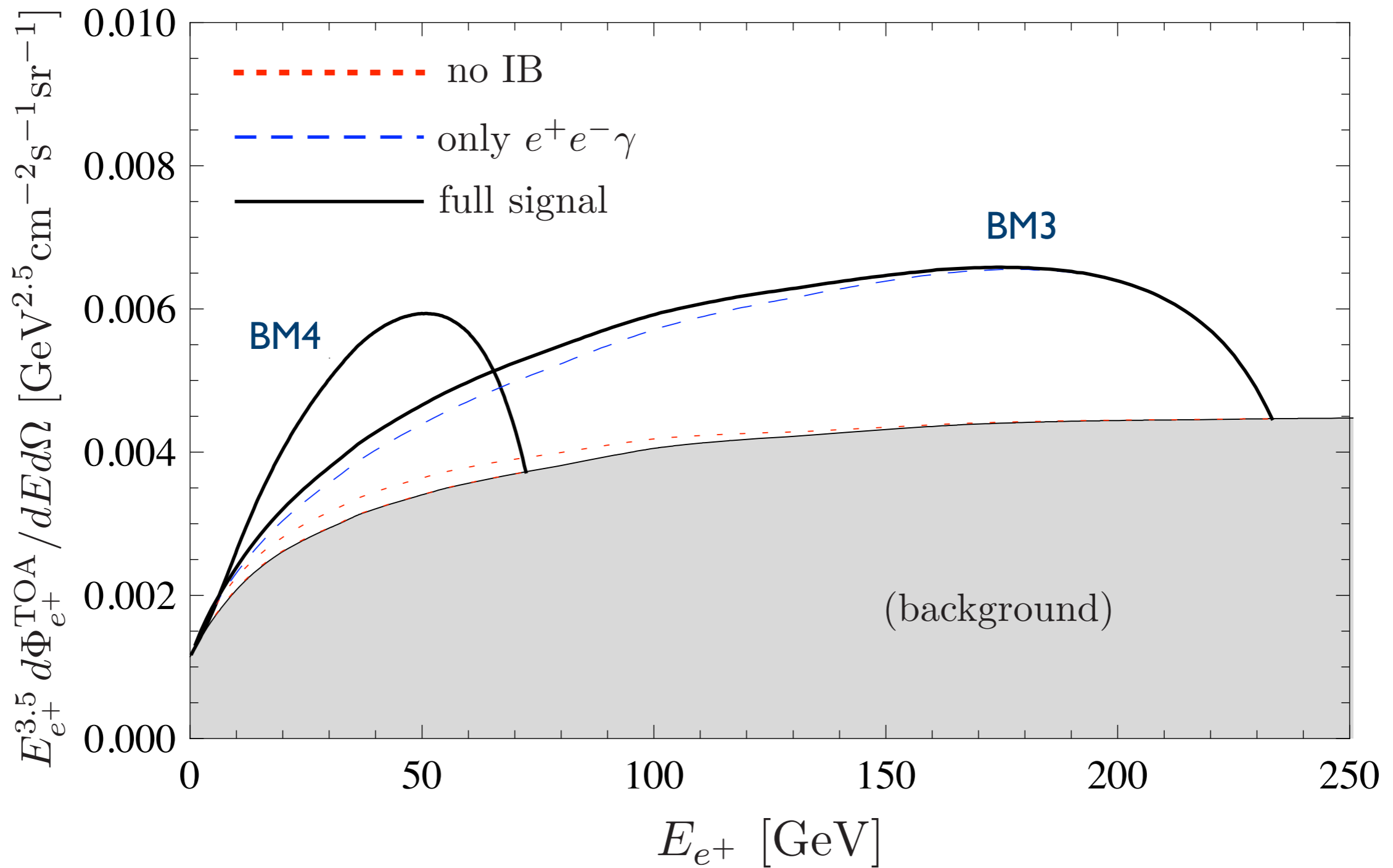
It is possible to get huge enhancement factors

Absolute fluxes



- IB enhances the positron fluxes significantly for some models
- The models that get large enhancements had low fluxes to start with
- Even after enhancement, the fluxes are not very high, BUT they have a nice spectral feature!

Spectrum after propagation



Nice features, but a boost factor of 5000...

Conclusions

- Gamma rays from dark matter annihilation can have distinct spectral features, either from the monochromatic lines or from internal bremsstrahlung effects
- Searches with e.g. GLAST (launch June 7, 11:45am) and Air Cherenkov Telescopes will be very interesting
- Positron enhancements can also be significant and provide a nice spectral feature that distinguish them from the background. The absolute fluxes are not that high though.

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