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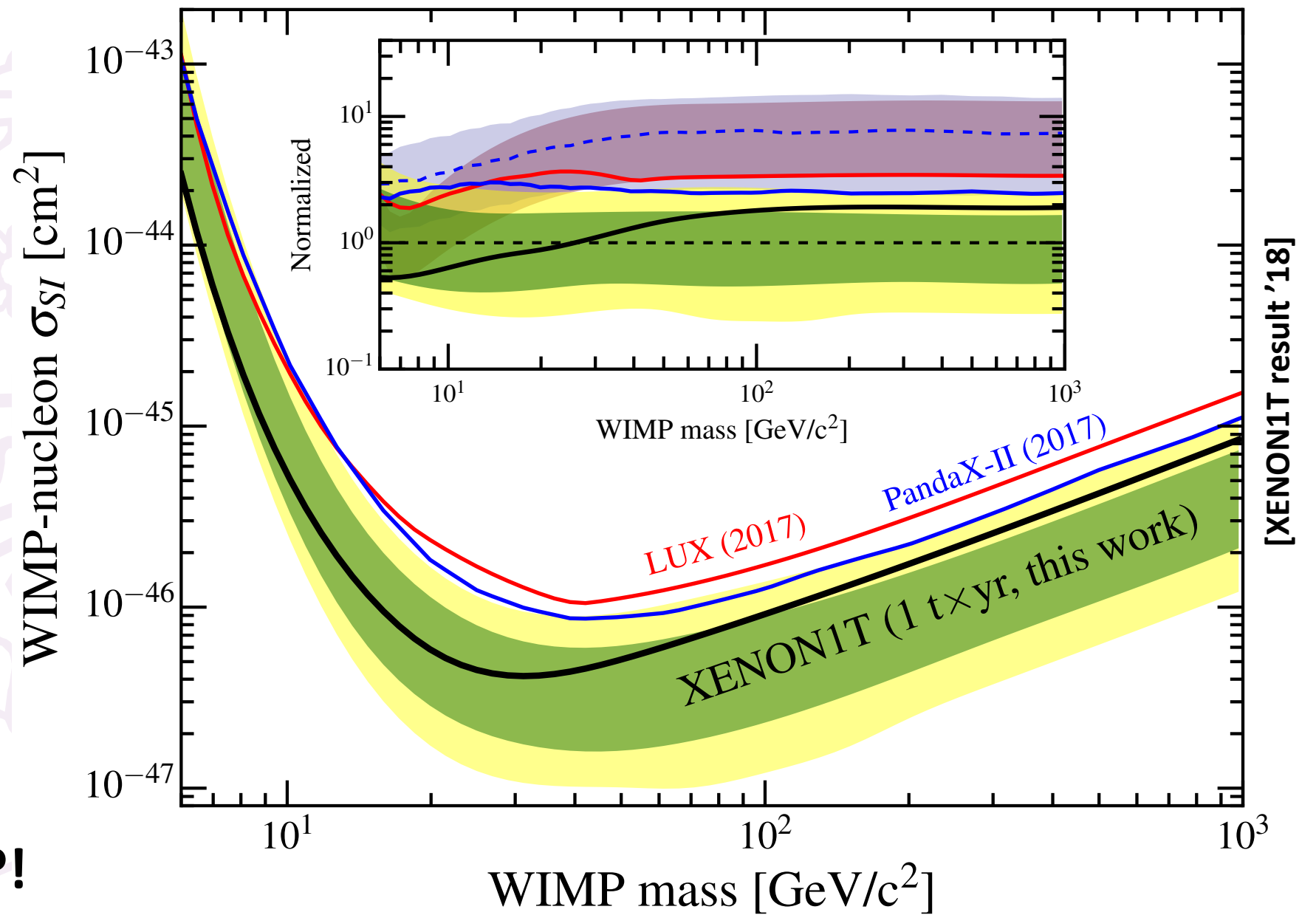


Cosmic Relics

- Cosmic Relics are produced in the early universe and are still around today
- Examples:
 - Cosmic Microwave Background (not the focus here)
 - Cosmic Neutrino Background (no time, does not work)
 - Dark Matter (only seen gravitationally, can we see it in GW detectors?)



WIMP Searches



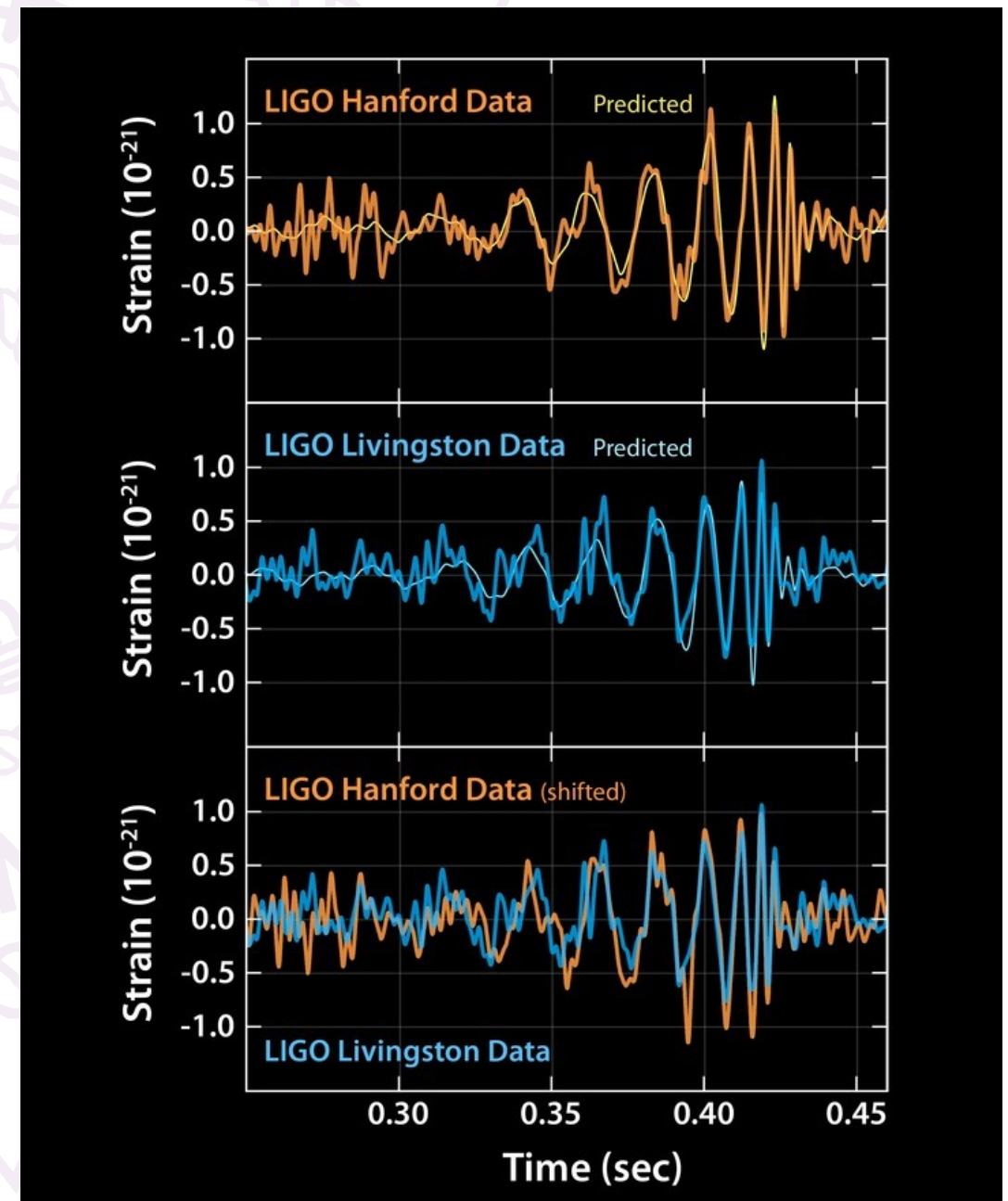
**Time to think again?!
Light WIMPs?**

[XENON1T result '18]



Gravitational Wave Detectors

- Decade long R&D efforts
- Impressive sensitivities
- Impressive results
- Nobelprize 2017
- **Other uses for this technology?**



[Courtesy Caltech/MIT/LIGO Laboratory 2016]

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Dark Brownian Motion

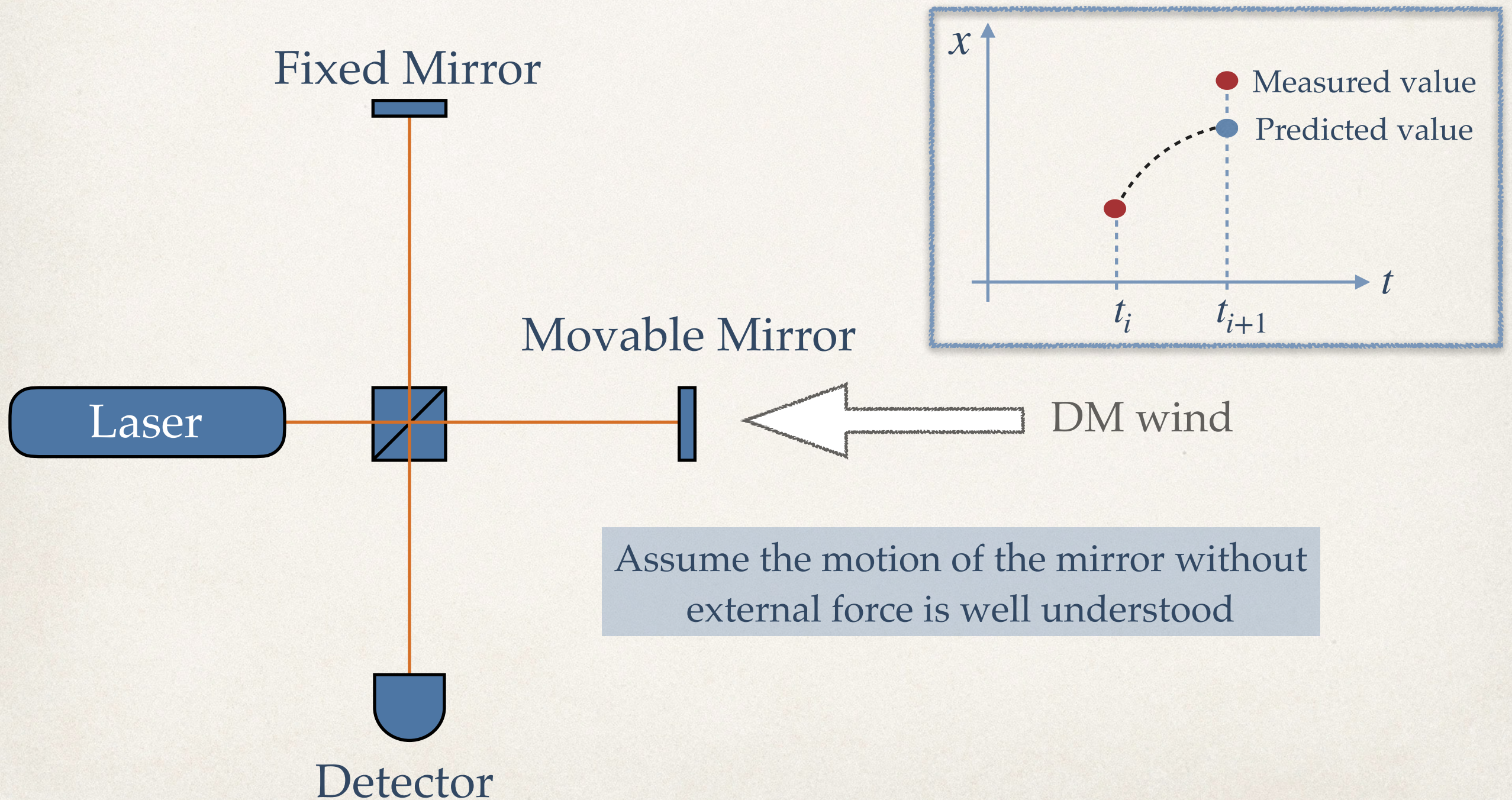
[Cheng, Primulando, MS '19]

- Any target mass in a bath of DM
- DM scatterings induce Brownian Motion
- Measure the position of a light target mass with high precision
- Look for time-dependent asymmetries



Potential Setup

Inspired by [Valerie Domcke and Martin Spinrath, 2017]



Assume the motion of the mirror without external force is well understood

The Asymmetry Factor

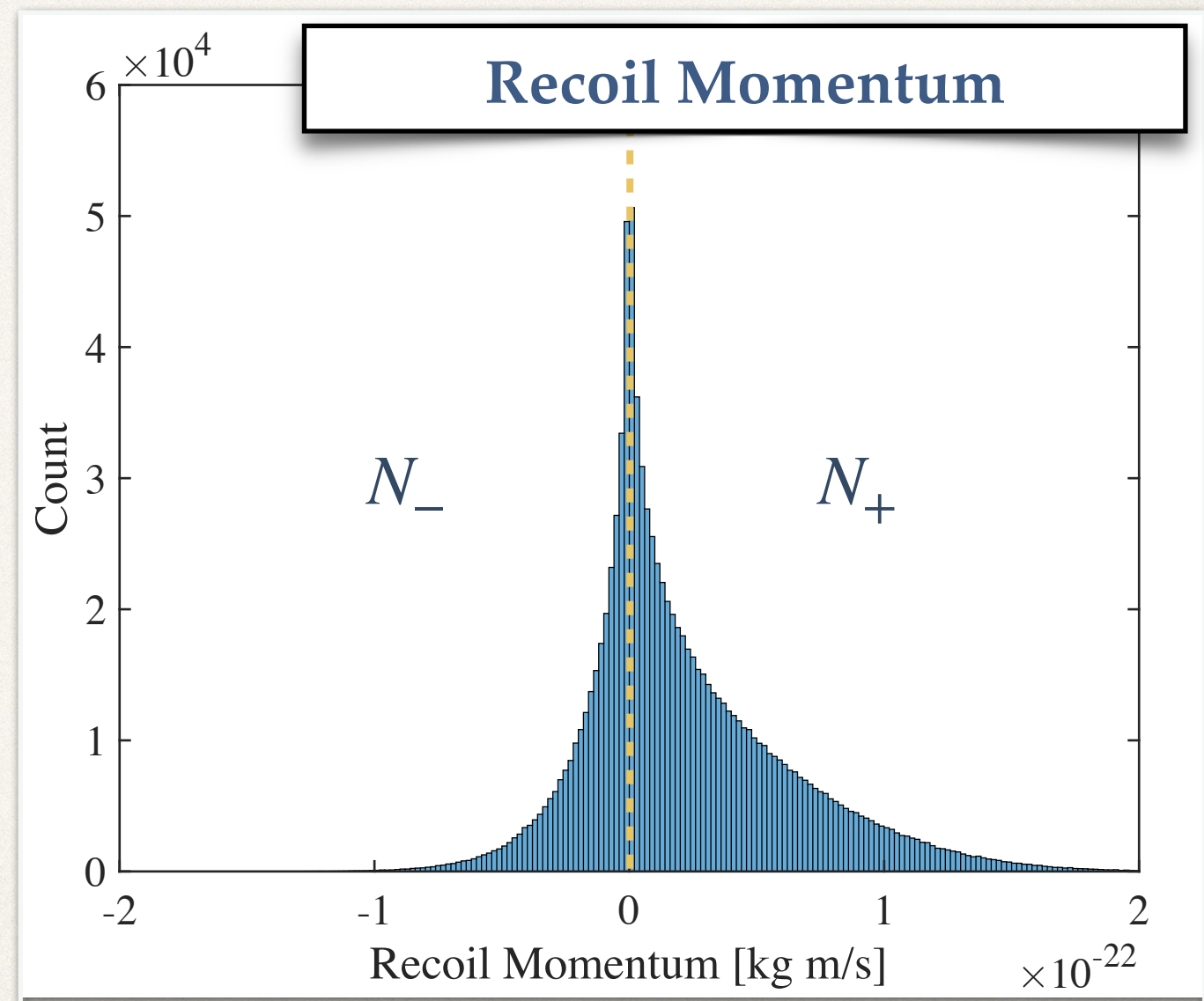
- ❖ The Asymmetry Factor :

$$A = \frac{N_+ - N_-}{N_+ + N_-} = p_+ - p_-$$

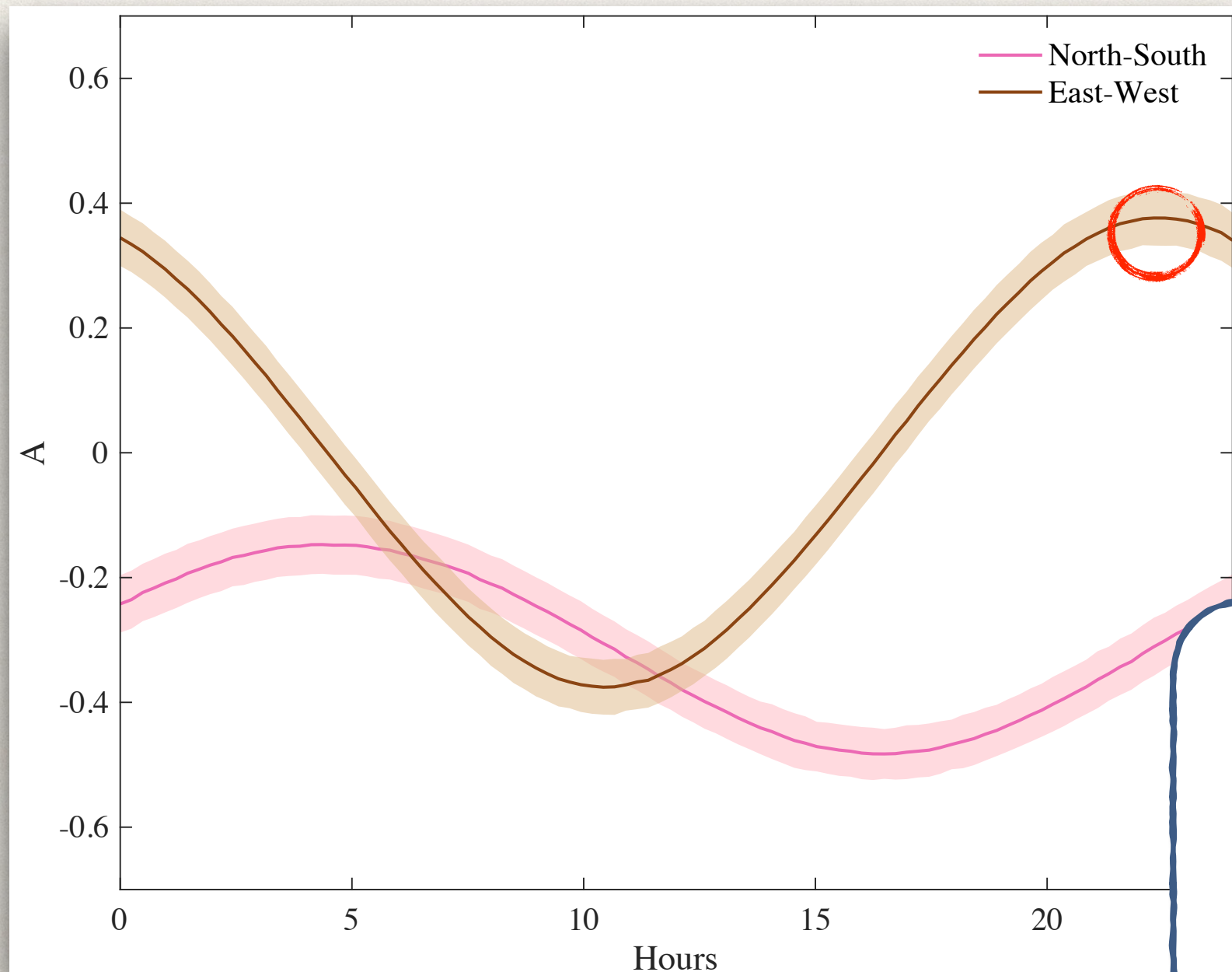
- ❖ Uncertainty of A :

$$\sigma_A = \frac{2}{\sqrt{N}} \sqrt{p_+ p_-}$$

A, p_{\pm} are independent of DM mass



Daily Modulation of A



Error Bar:
 $\Delta t = 10$ min
 $\sigma_{DM-N} = 10^{-31}$ cm²
 $M_{DM} = 10$ MeV

[T.C., M. Spinrath, R. Primulando 2019]

Backgrounds

- Small neutrino cross section and target mass
 - Negligible $O(10^{-14})$ neutrino events per sec
- Residual gas
 - Naively, many $O(10^9)$ events/sec
 - After momentum cutoff $O(10^{-9})$ events/sec (irrelevant in KAGRA)
- Seismic noise, nearby traffic, radioactivity, ...
setup dependent



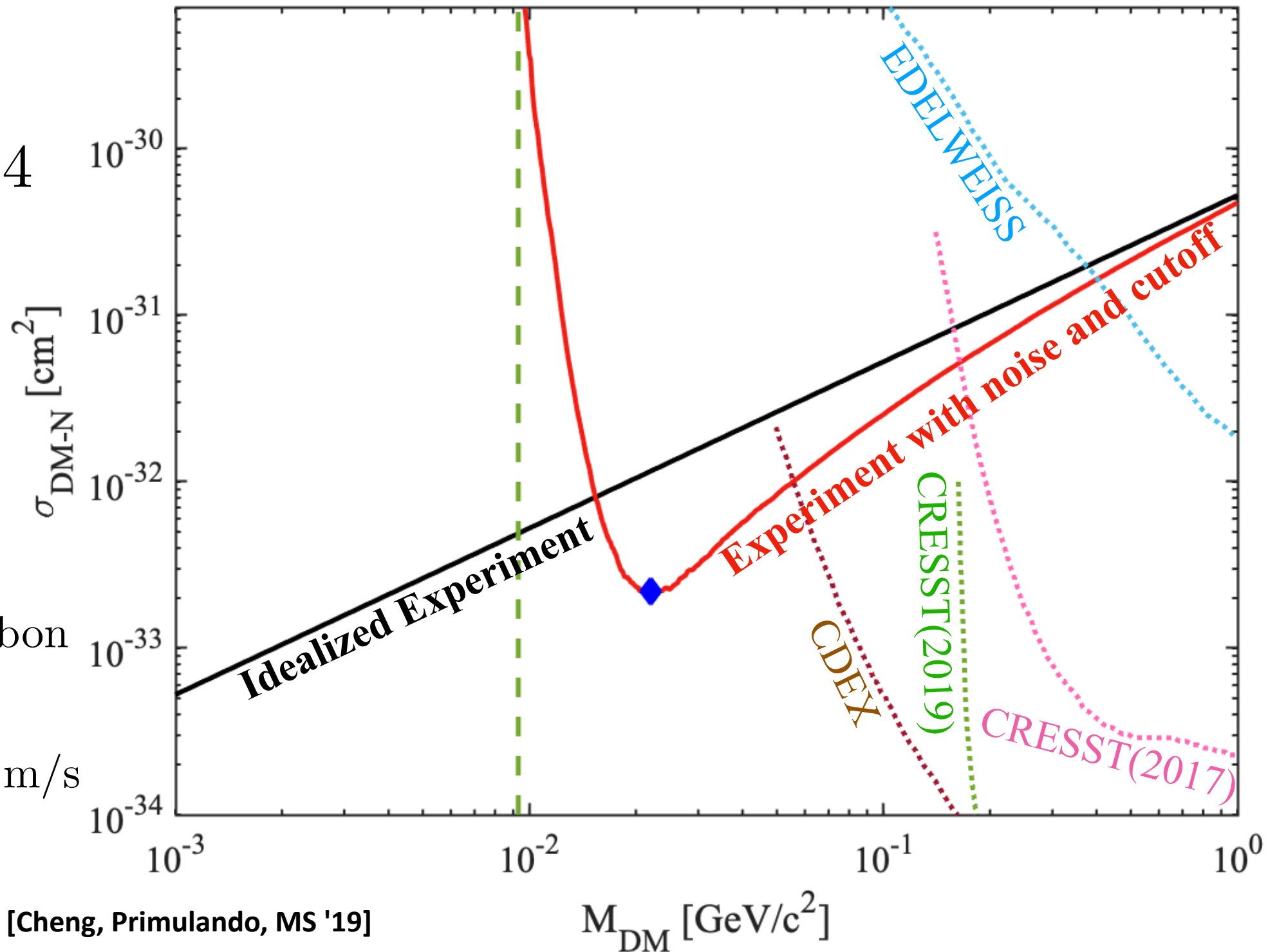
Sensitivity Estimate

$$\frac{\langle A \rangle^2}{\sigma_A^2 + \sigma_{\text{bkg}}^2} = 4$$

$M_T = 10^{-3}$ g of carbon

$\Delta t = 10$ min

$q_{\text{min}} = 2 \times 10^{-23}$ kg m/s



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Toy Model: Damped Harmonic Oscillator

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20]

- We want to study a simple toy model first

$$m \ddot{x}_c + k_c (1 + i\phi) x_c = \frac{F_{\text{ext},c}}{L}$$

- The experimental output

[Moore, Cole, Berry '14]

$$x_{\text{tot},c}(t) = x_{\text{th},c}(t) + x_{\text{qu},c}(t) + x_{\text{DM},c}(t)$$

↑
Suspension Thermal Noise

↑
Quantum Noise

↑
DM Signal

- We neglect here some noise components



Toy Model: DM Signal I

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20; Tsuchida *et al.* '19]

- The DM signal is easier to model for a real eq.

$$m \ddot{x}_r + 2 m \omega_r \xi \dot{x}_r + m \omega_r^2 (1 + \xi^2) x_r = \frac{q_R}{L} \delta(t)$$

- That has the solution

$$x_{\text{DM}}(t) = \theta(t) \frac{q_R}{m \omega_r L} \exp(-\omega_r \xi t) \sin(\omega_r t)$$

- And we will need

$$|\tilde{x}_{\text{DM}}(\omega)|^2 = \frac{q_R^2}{m^2 L^2} \frac{1}{(\omega^2 - \omega_r^2(1 - \xi^2))^2 + 4\omega_r^4 \xi^2}$$



Toy Model: DM Signal II

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20; Tsuchida *et al.* '19]

- After matching the real and complex equation

$$|\tilde{x}_{\text{DM}}(\omega)|^2 = \frac{q_R^2}{m^2 L^2} \frac{1}{(\omega^2 - \omega_c^2)^2 + \omega_c^4 \phi^2}$$

- The DM strain amplitude [Moore, Cole, Berry '14]

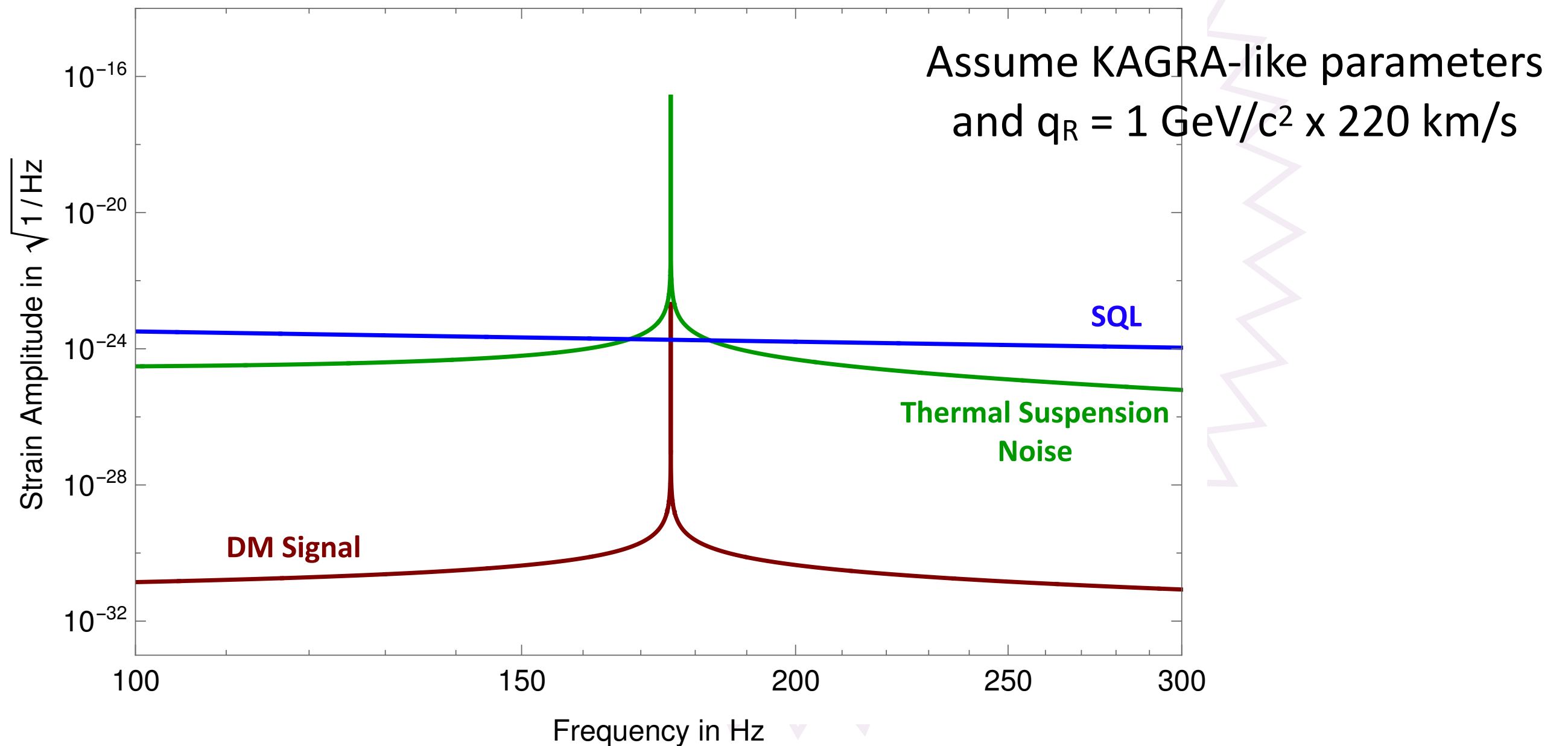
$$h_{\text{DM}}(\omega) = \sqrt{\frac{2\omega}{\pi}} |\tilde{x}_{\text{DM}}(\omega)|$$



Toy Model: Strain Amplitudes

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20]

Noise and DM Hit for the Toy Model



Signal-to-Noise Ratio

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20; Moore, Cole, Berry '14]

- The optimal SNR is given by

$$Q^2 = \int_{f_{\min}}^{f_{\max}} df \frac{4 |\tilde{x}_{\text{DM}}(2\pi f)|^2}{S_n(2\pi f)}$$

- Near the peak (FWHM) neglect quantum noise

$$Q_{\text{th}}^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{q_R^2}{m k_B T} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{E_R}{E_{\text{th}}} = 4.09 \times 10^{-24}$$

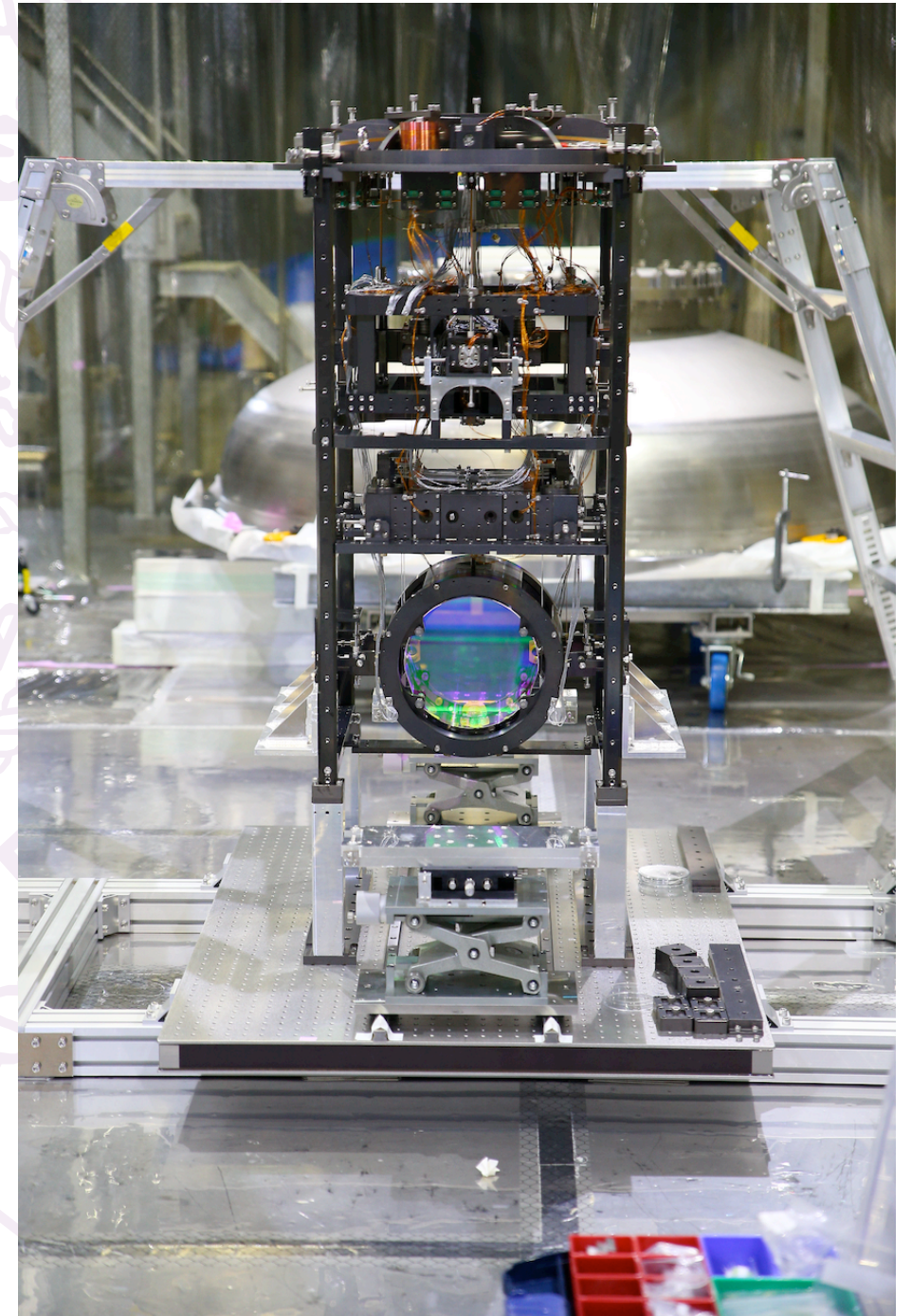
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Numbers as in previous figure

- Need light, cold targets!



KAGRA

- KAGRA is a new gravitational wave detector in Japan
- Advantage: Cryogenic (T about 20 K)
- The mirror is a pendulum on springs on a pendulum (3 x coupled, damped harmonic oscillators)
- Equations of motion have matrix form

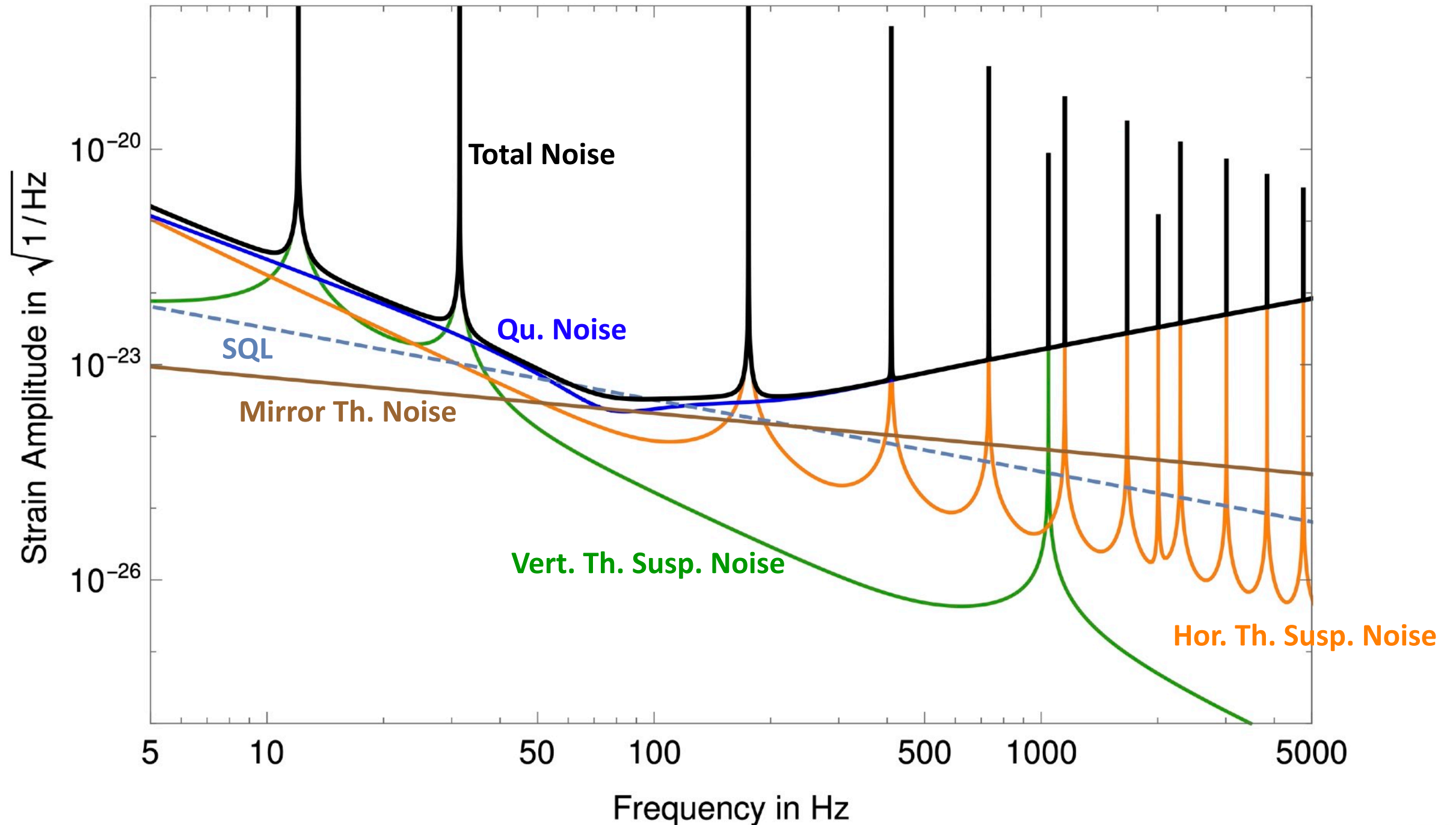


[Photo courtesy: KAGRA Observatory, ICRR, The University of Tokyo (c) Rohan Mehra, provided via ICRR, Univ. of Tokyo]

KAGRA Noise

[Fig. from Lee, Nugroho, MS '20 based on KAGRA Document, JGW-T1707038v9]

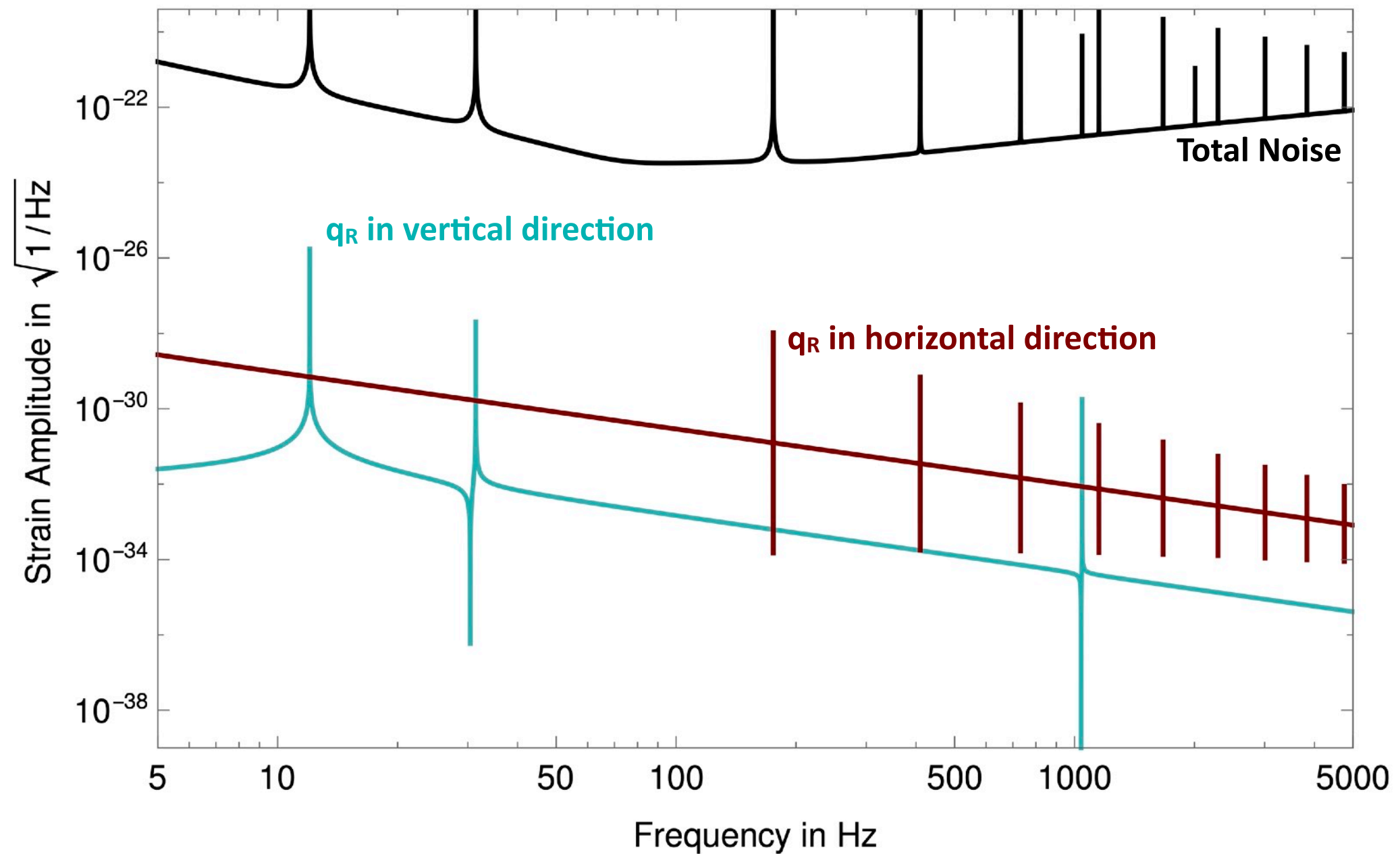
Relevant KAGRA Noise



DM Signal at KAGRA

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20]

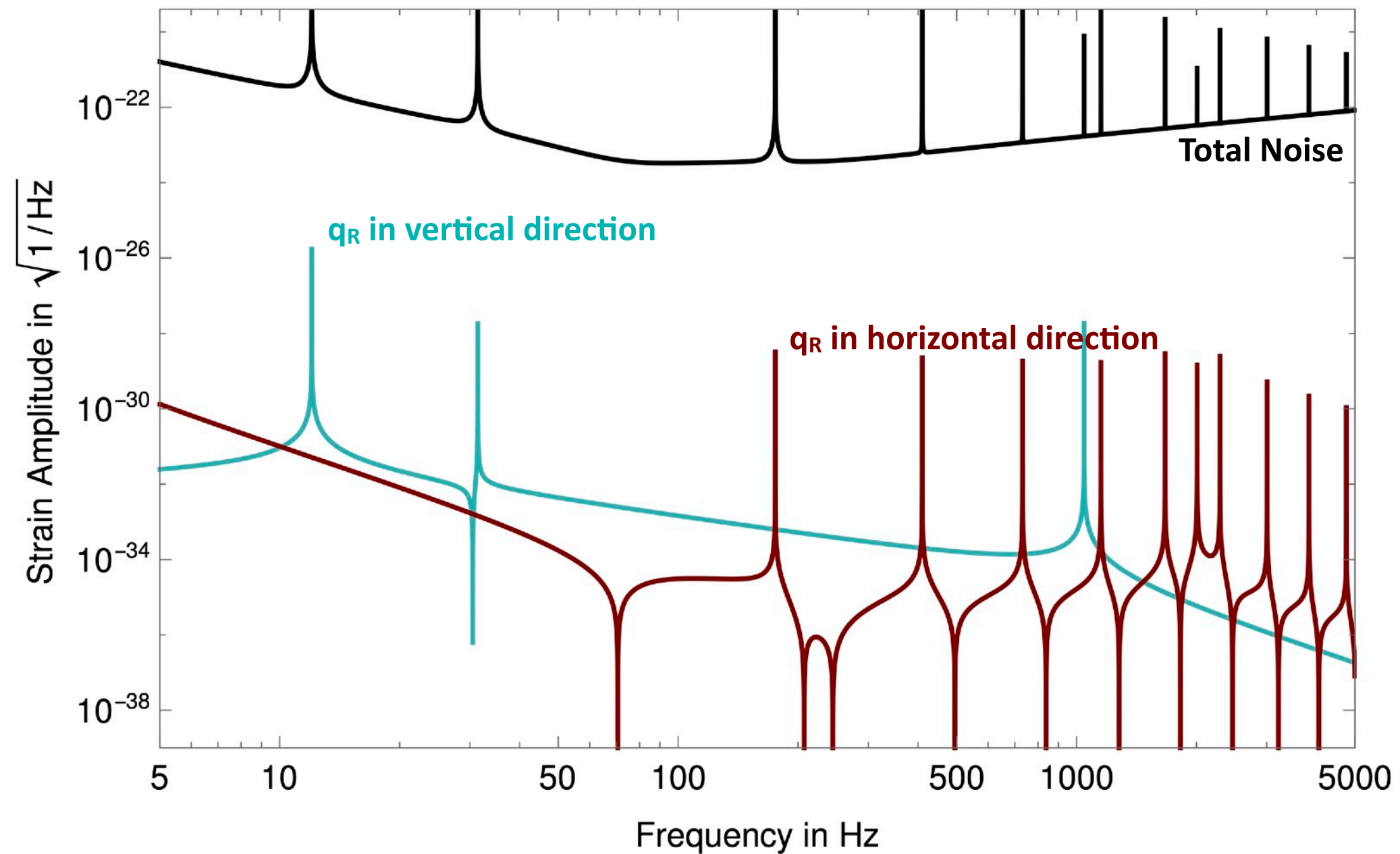
DM Hit in the KAGRA TM



DM Signal at KAGRA

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20]

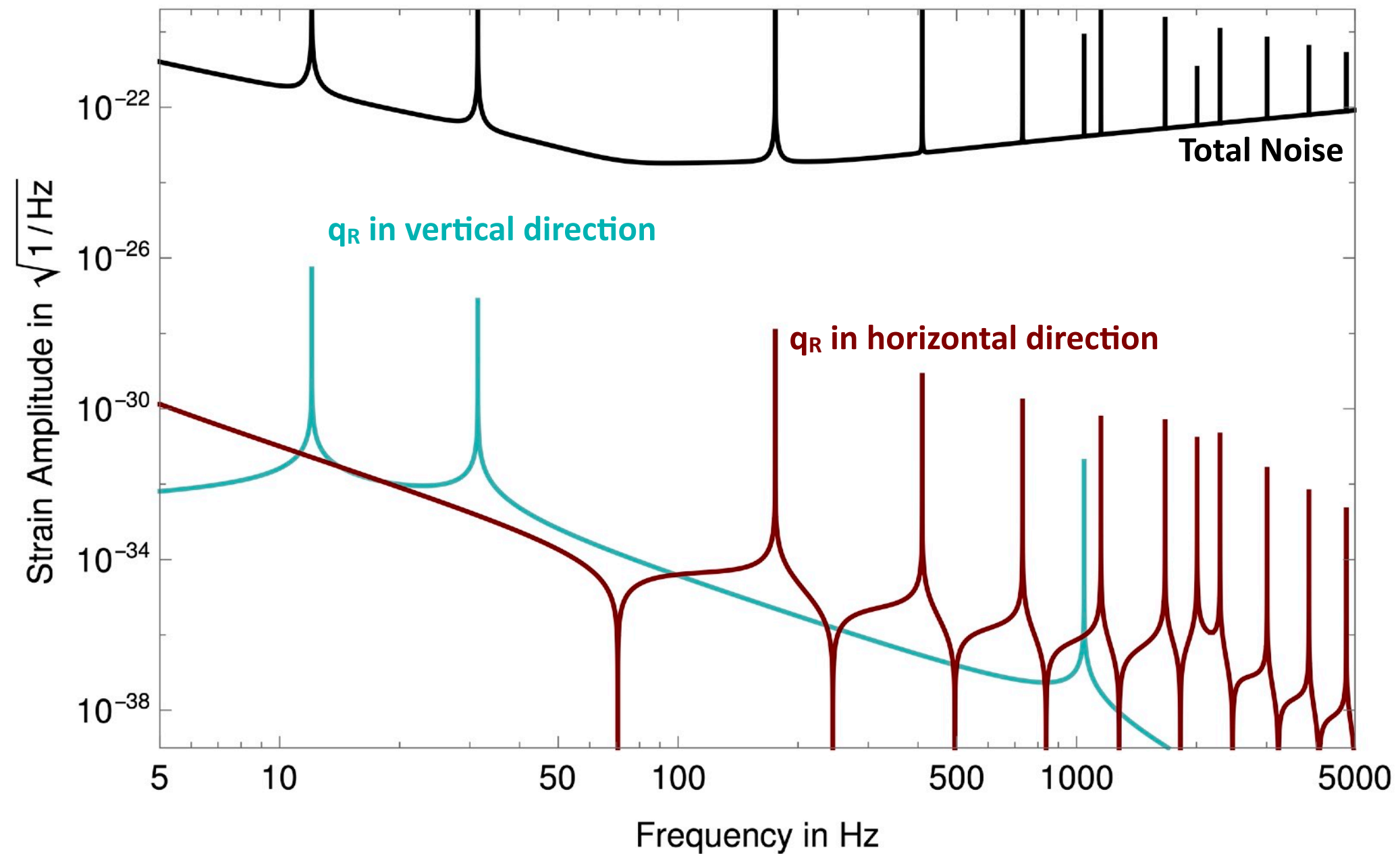
DM Hit in the KAGRA BS



DM Signal at KAGRA

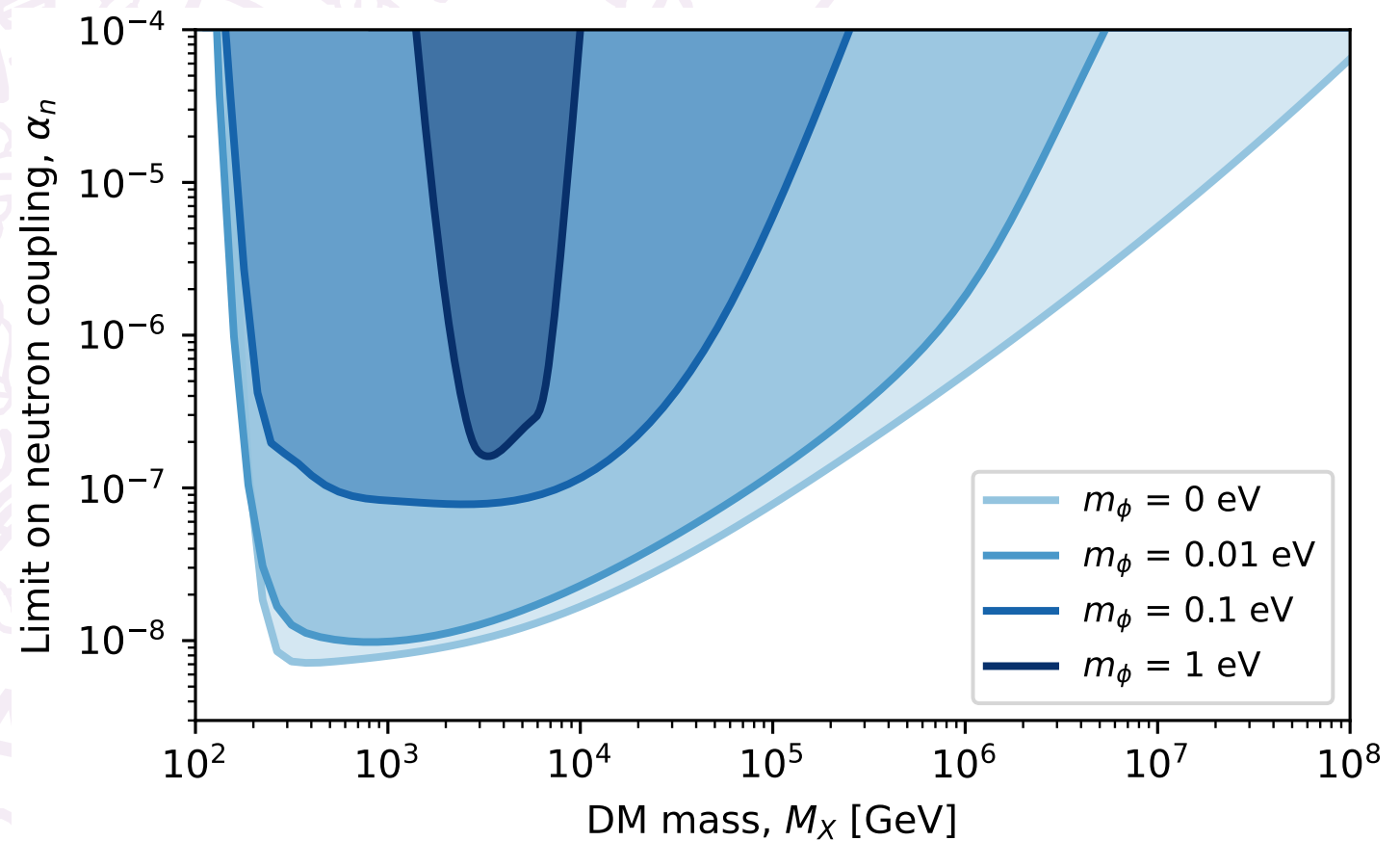
[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20]

DM Hit in the KAGRA IM



Other technology

- Optically levitated mass
- Target mass 1 ng
- Temperature 200 μK
- Several days exposure
- Experimental threshold 0.15 GeV



[Monteiro *et al.* '20]

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Summary and Conclusions

- Gravitational Wave Astronomy has just begun
- Impressive new technologies
- Can we use them to find dark matter?
 - Maybe.
- We need more research



Me & My Group

- Since 2018 Assistant Professor at National Tsing Hua University in Taiwan
- Background in Theoretical Particle Physics
 - Neutrino physics, Grand Unification, Supersymmetry, ...
- Group:
 - currently 1 PhD student
 - Expect at least 1 more master student next year



My Plans & Motivation

- Recently also interested in particle cosmology
 - Cosmic Relics
 - Cosmic Phase Transitions
- Interests about KAGRA
 - Theoretical modeling of potential signals
 - Generalising sensitivity curves for non-wave signals





Residual Gas

[Cheng, Primulando, MS '19]

- Gravitational wave detectors have ultra high vacua in their chambers
- We can estimate the hit rate from residual gas

$$R_{\text{atm}} = n A |v| f(v)$$
$$\approx 8.3 \times 10^9 \left(\frac{P}{10^{-10} \text{ mbar}} \sqrt{\frac{20 \text{ K}}{T} \frac{A}{\text{mm}^2}} \right) \frac{1}{\text{s}}$$



Residual Gas

[Cheng, Primulando, MS '19]

- What rate could we expect for DM?

$$R_{\text{DM}} = (Z + N)^2 \sigma_{\text{DM}-N} \frac{M_T}{M_{\text{mol}}} \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}}{M_{\text{DM}}} \bar{v}_{\text{DM}}$$
$$= 0.37 \left(\frac{Z + N}{12} \frac{\sigma_{\text{DM}-N}}{10^{-31} \text{ cm}^2} \frac{M_T}{10^{-3} \text{ g}} \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}}{0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3} \frac{20 \text{ MeV}}{M_{\text{DM}}} \frac{\bar{v}_{\text{DM}}}{341 \text{ km/s}} \right) \frac{1}{\text{s}}$$

- Can we cut on the background?
 - Yes! Cut on minimum recoil momentum



Residual Gas

[Cheng, Primulando, MS '19]

- No air flow: $\langle q_{\text{atm}} \rangle$
- The width of the recoil momentum is

$$\sigma_{q_{\text{atm}}} \approx 2.5 \times 10^{-24} \left(\frac{P}{10^{-10} \text{ mbar}} \frac{A}{\text{mm}^2} \frac{\delta t}{0.1 \text{ ns}} \sqrt{\frac{T}{20 \text{ K}}} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\text{kg m}}{\text{s}}$$

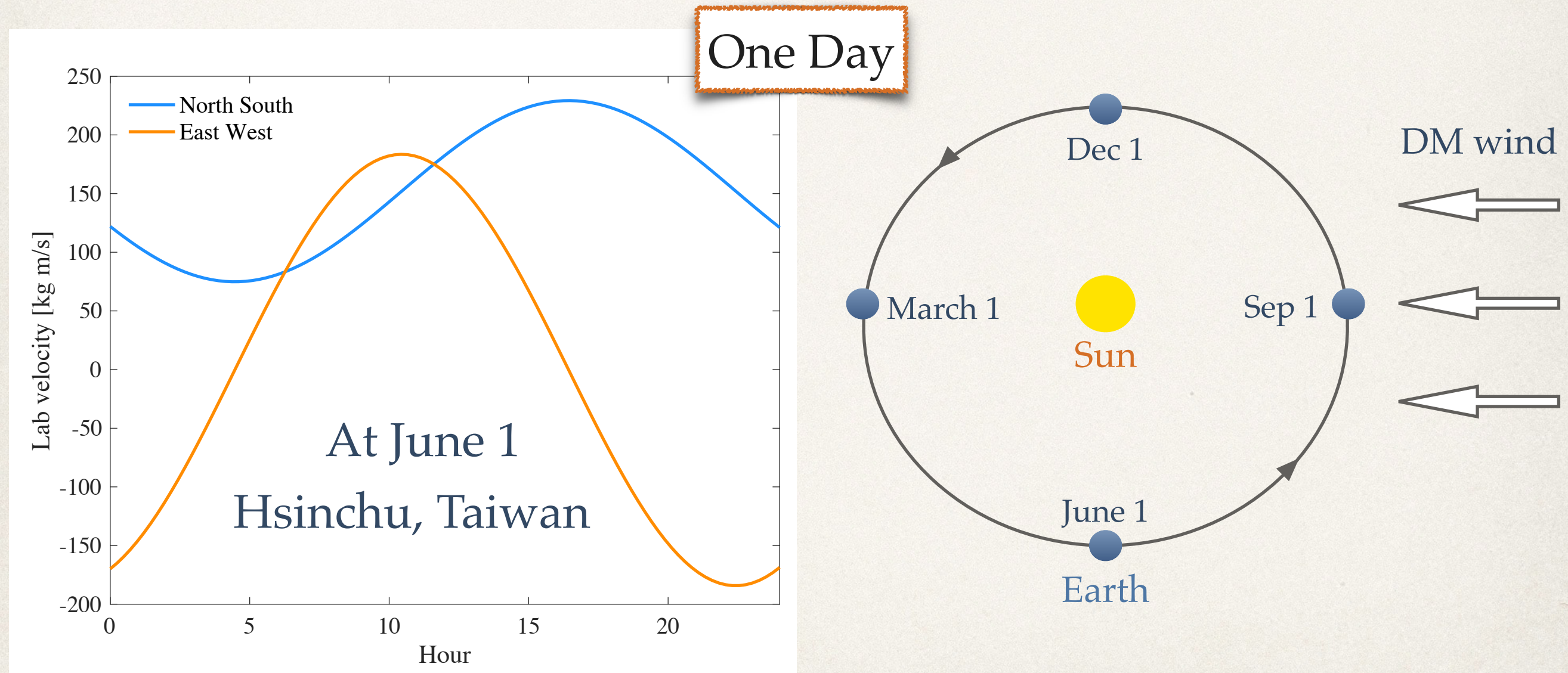
- Use LIGO resolution as naive estimate

$$q_{\text{min}} \equiv 2 \times 10^{-23} \text{ kg m/s} \approx 3.7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV/c}$$

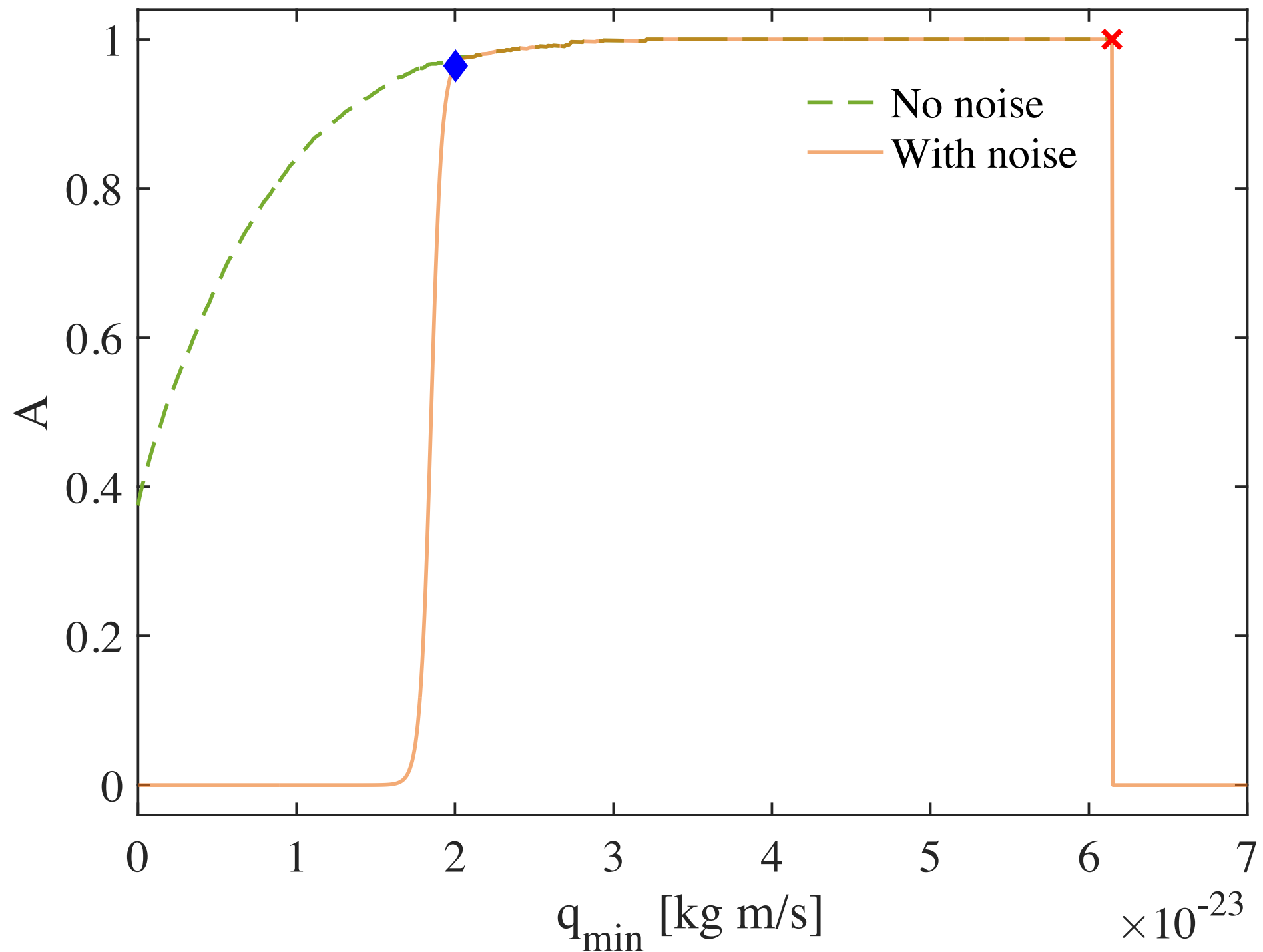
- Remaining gas hit rate $R_{\text{atm}}^{\text{cut}} \approx 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Hz}$



Time Dependent Lab Velocity



Dependence of A on q_{\min}



[Cheng, Primulando, MS '19]



Toy Model: Noise

[Saulson '90; Gonzales, Saulson '94;
Thorne '87]

- Thermal noise from fluctuation-dissipation theorem

[Callen, Welton '51;
Callen, Greene '55]

$$S_{\text{th}}(\omega) = \frac{4 k_B T}{L^2 \omega^2} \Re[Y(\omega)] = \frac{4 k_B T}{L^2} \frac{\phi \omega_c^2 / (m \omega)}{(\omega^2 - \omega_c^2)^2 + \omega_c^4 \phi^2}$$

- Standard Quantum Limit

$$S_{\text{qu}} = \frac{8 \hbar}{m \omega^2 L^2}$$

- The noise strain amplitude is

$$h_n = \sqrt{h_{\text{th}}^2 + h_{\text{qu}}^2} = \sqrt{S_{\text{th}} + S_{\text{qu}}}$$



Toy Model: Coefficient Matching

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20]

- KAGRA provides complex spring constants
- DM modeled with real coefficients
- Match oscillation frequency and damping

$$\omega_r = \omega_c (1 + \phi^2)^{1/4} \cos\left(\frac{1}{2} \arctan \phi\right) \approx \omega_c \left(1 + \frac{\phi^2}{8}\right)$$

$$\xi = \tan\left(\frac{1}{2} \arctan \phi\right) \approx \frac{\phi}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\phi^2}{4}\right)$$



Equations of Motion

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20 based on KAGRA Document, JGW-T1707038v9]

- The equations of motion take a 3x3 matrix form

$$\left(M \frac{d^2}{dt^2} + K_v \right) \vec{x}_v(t) = \frac{\vec{F}_{\text{ext},v}(t)}{L}$$

- KAGRA can see vertical and horizontal modes
 - two sets of equations

DM Signal

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20]

- We only need the Fourier transform of the displacement

$$\vec{\tilde{x}}_v(t) = \left(-M\omega^2 + K_v\right)^{-1} \frac{\vec{\tilde{F}}_{\text{ext},v}(t)}{L}$$

- We can then study the effect of the test mass for a hit in different components and directions



Space-Based Experiments

- LISA target sensitivity ($0.1 \text{ mHz} < f < 1 \text{ Hz}$)

$$\sqrt{S_{\Delta g}} \leq 3\sqrt{2} \text{ fm s}^{-2} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}} \times \sqrt{1 + (f/8 \text{ mHz})^4}$$

[LISA Pathfinder '16]

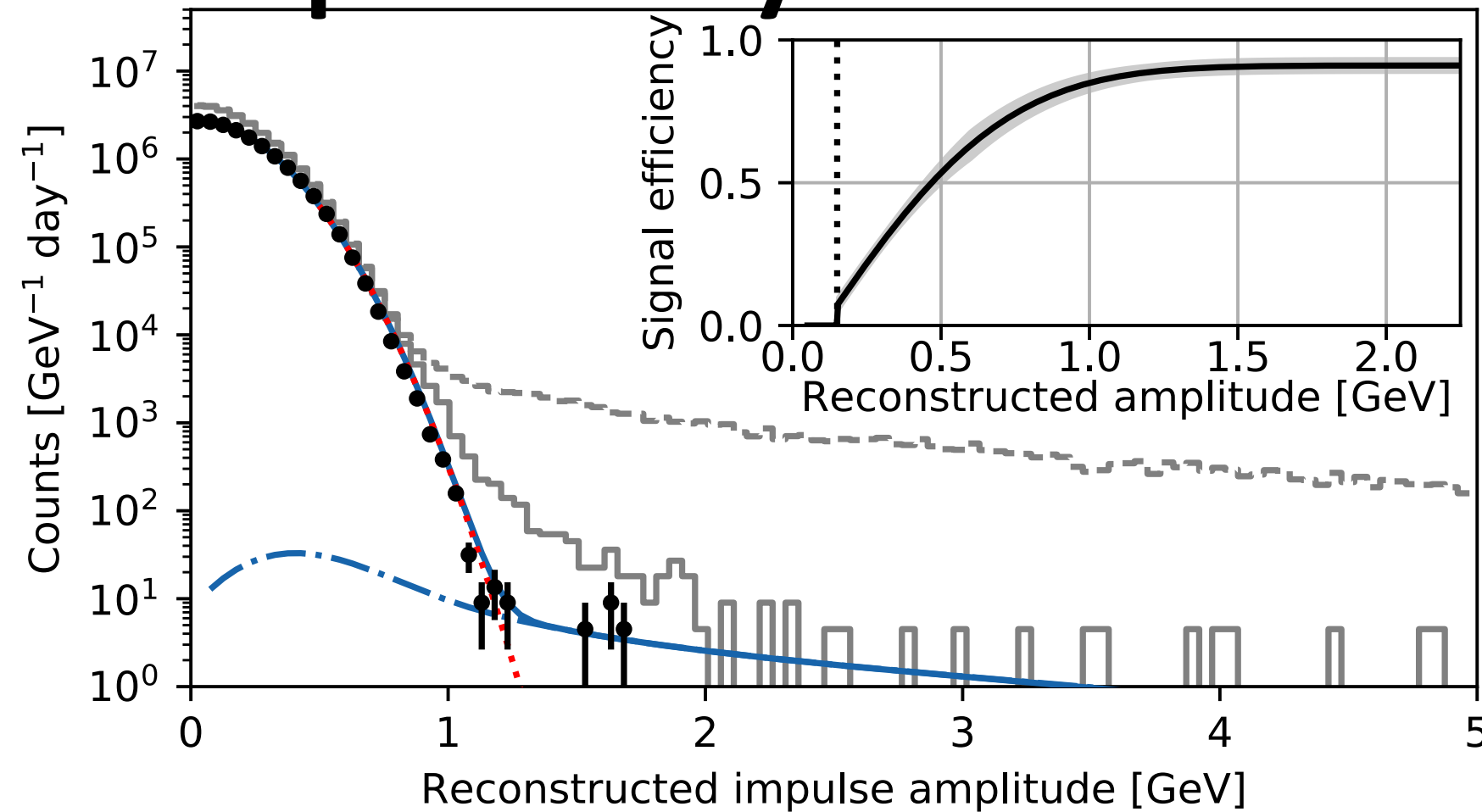
- Expected strain amplitude

$$\sqrt{S_{\Delta g, \text{DM}}} \sim 4.1 \times 10^{-7} \sqrt{\frac{f}{\text{Hz}}} \text{ fm s}^{-2} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

[Lee, Nugroho, MS '20]



Optically Levitated Devices



[Monteiro *et al.* '20]

FIG. 2. Measured rate of reconstructed impulses after all cuts (black points), compared to the spectrum with only live-time selections applied (gray, solid) and with no cuts applied (gray, dashed). The Gaussian background (red, dotted), DM signal (blue, dot-dashed), and sum of background and signal (blue, solid) are also shown at the 95% CL upper limit, $\alpha_n = 8.5 \times 10^{-8}$, for $M_X = 5 \times 10^3$ GeV, $m_\phi = 0.1$ eV, and $f_X = 1$. (Inset) Overall signal efficiency versus amplitude (black) and estimated error (gray band) above the analysis threshold, $q_{\text{thr}} = 0.15$ GeV (dotted).