

AMANDA 2000-2006 Solar WIMP Search

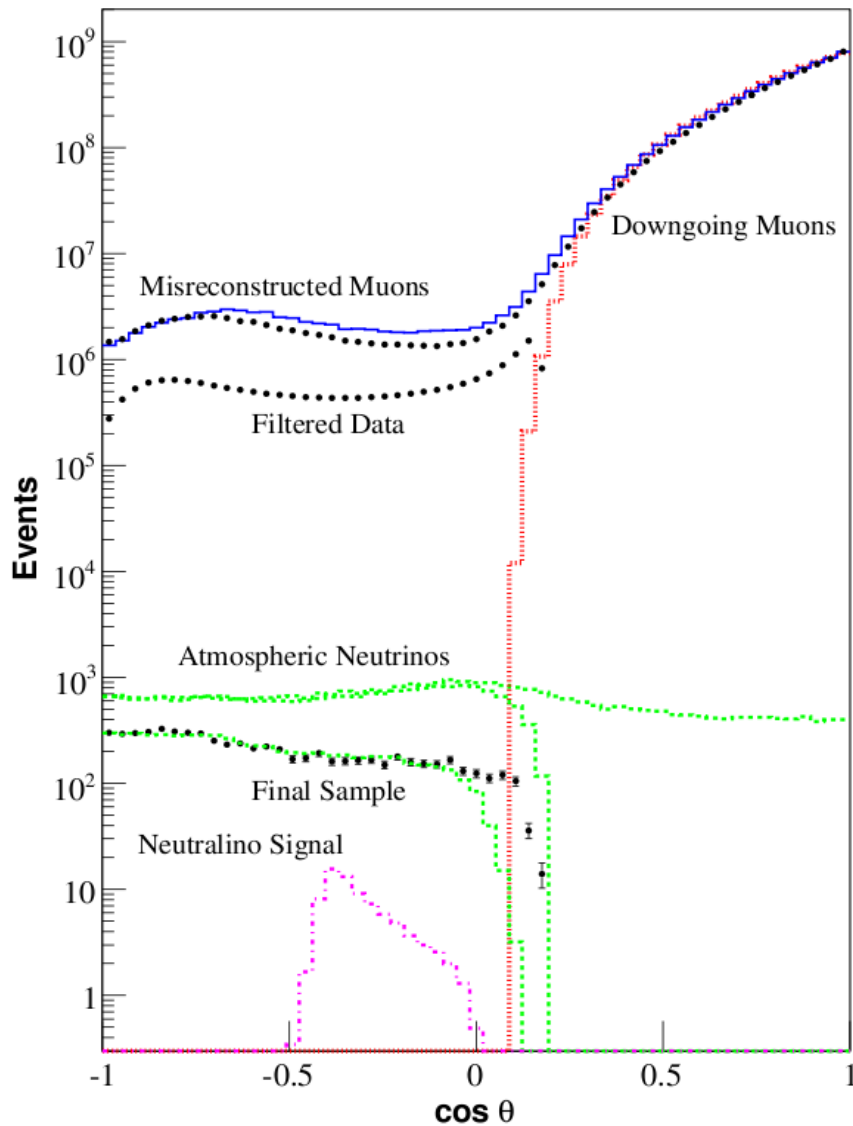
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Scope of Analysis

- Use the AMANDA 7-year point source data sample for a quick and easy solar WIMP search
- Independent check of current AMANDA and IceCube solar WIMP results
- Expect limited sensitivity for low neutralino masses since event selection is optimized for E^{-2} - E^{-3} power law spectra.
- Expect reasonable sensitivity for high masses due to large livetime of 953 days

Event Selection



- 4665 events while Sun is above the horizon
- String trigger essentially irrelevant
- Cuts are tighter than typical solar WIMP analyses
 - Less than 5% CR muons ($\delta > 5^\circ$)
 - Lower signal efficiency
 - Better angular resolution

Analysis

- Generate WIMP annihilation neutrino spectra and propagate to Earth with WimpAnn and DarkSUSY
- Use diffuse ANIS neutrino MC as signal simulation
 - Reweight to solar declination distribution using Daan's method:
$$w(\theta_\nu, \phi_\nu) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{90 - \theta_\nu}{23.45}\right)^2}} \frac{1}{\sin \theta_\nu}.$$
- Use the unbinned point source search method

Effective Volume

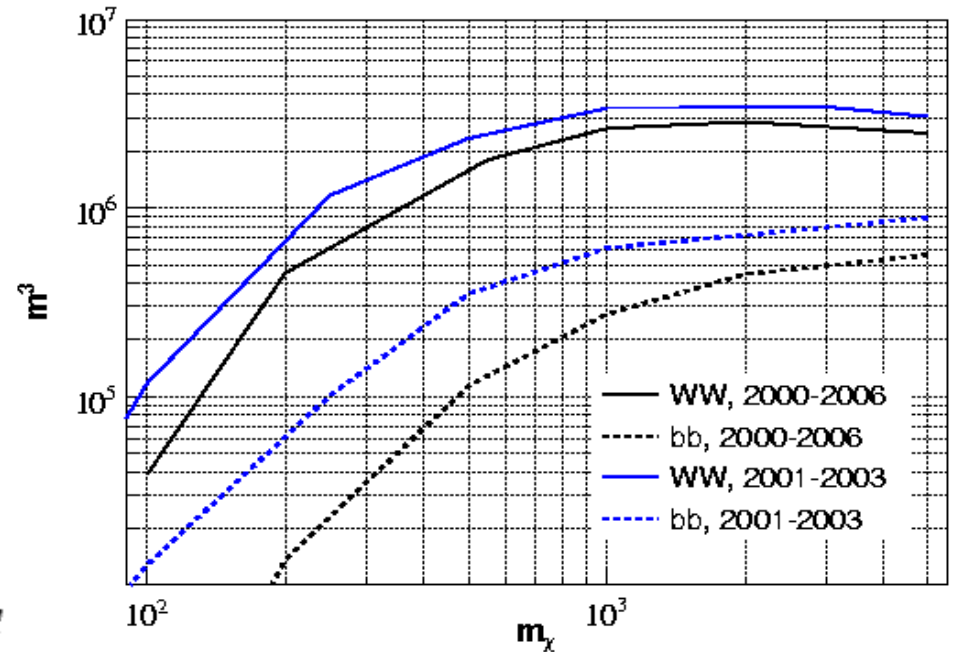
- Calculate effective volume from generation area and existing event weights

$$V_i^{gen} = \frac{A_i^{gen} \cdot P_i^{\nu \rightarrow \mu}}{\frac{dP_i^{\nu \rightarrow \mu}}{dZ}}$$

$$\frac{dP_i^{\nu \rightarrow \mu}}{dZ} = \sigma_i \cdot N_A \cdot \rho_{ice}$$

- Calculate average effective volume for a given spectrum

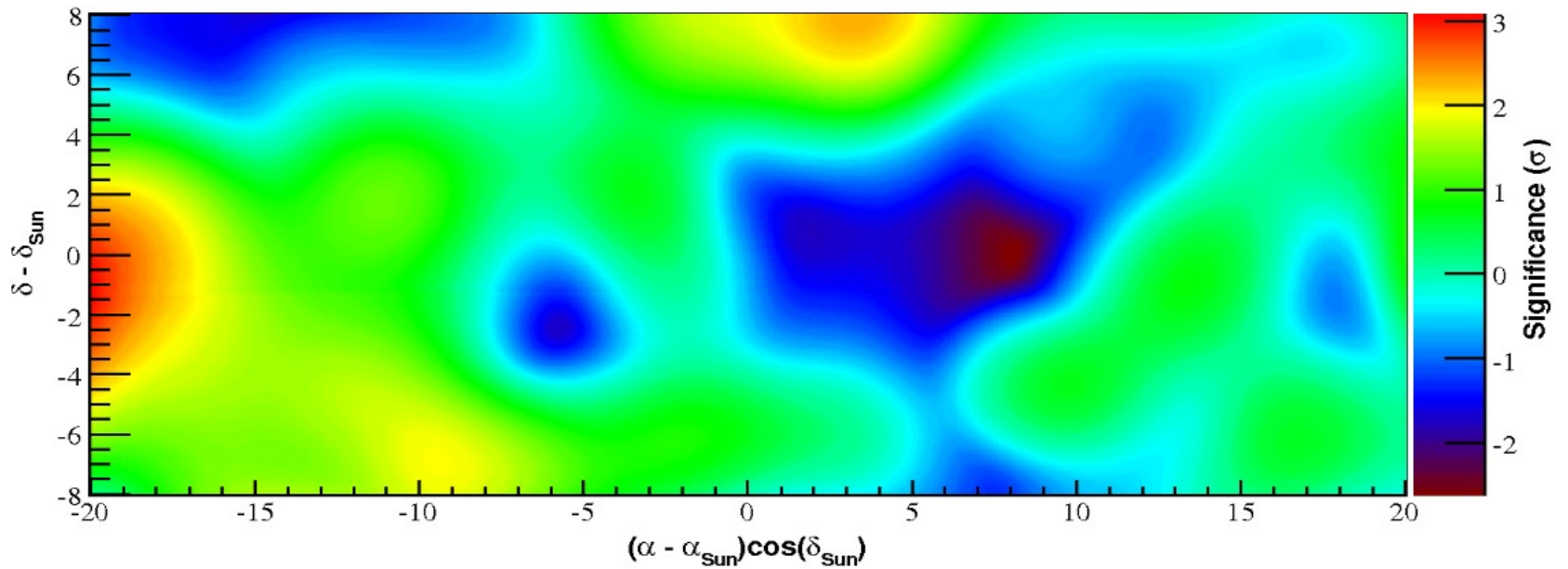
$$\overline{V^{eff}} = \frac{\int_0^\infty V_\nu^{eff}(E) \sigma_{\nu N} \frac{dN_\nu}{dE}(E) dE}{\int_0^\infty \sigma_{\nu N} \frac{dN_\nu}{dE}(E) dE}$$



- Do the analysis using neutrino effective area

$$\Gamma_{90}^A = \frac{4\pi R^2 \mu_{90}}{T_L} \left[\int_0^\infty A_\nu^{eff}(E) \frac{dN_\nu}{dE}(E) dE \right]^{-1}$$

Result



- 0.8σ deficit from direction of the Sun

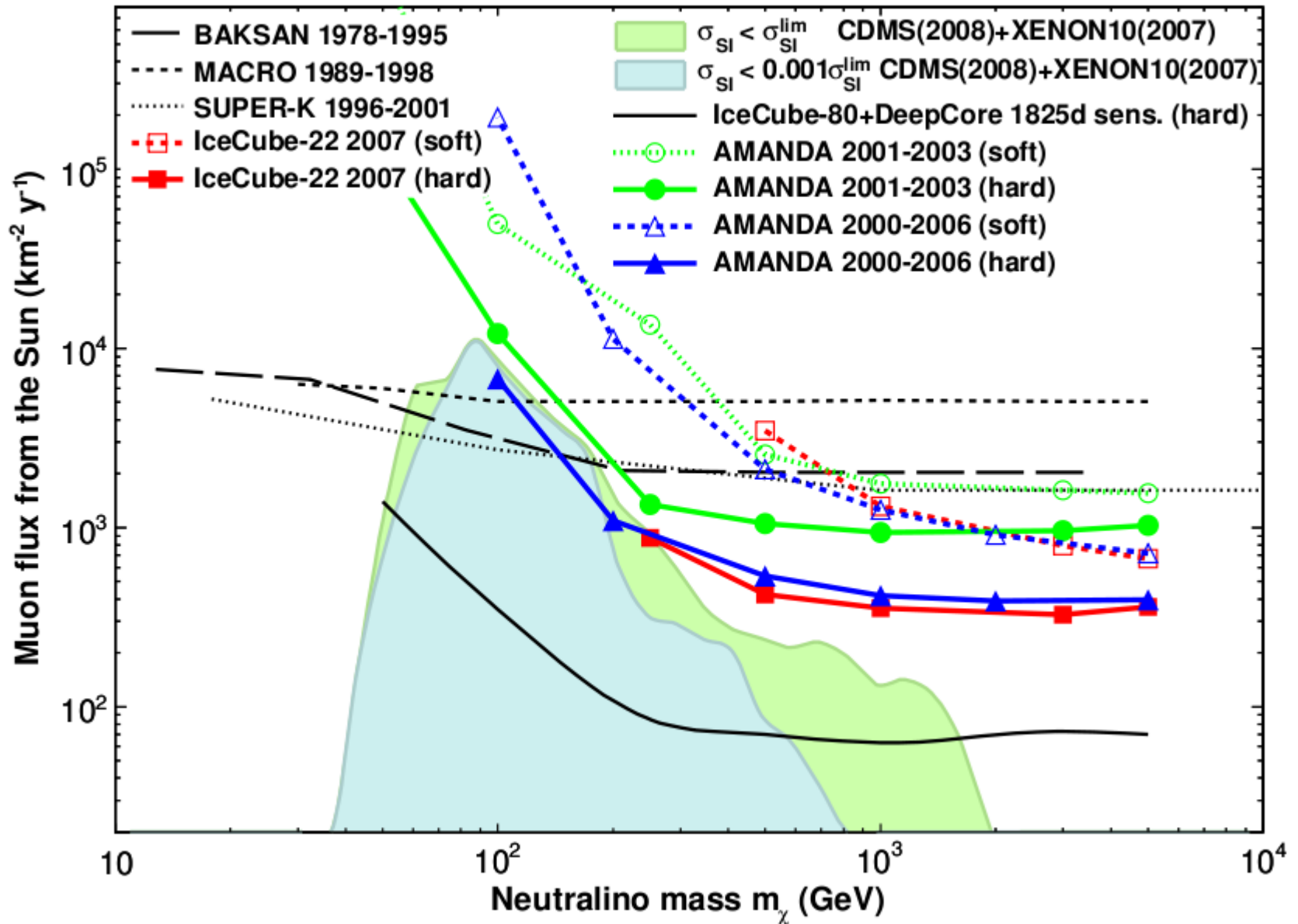
Systematics

- Systematics dominated by uncertainties in OM sensitivity and photon propagation in ice
 - Ice + OM Sensitivity: 10% - 21%
 - Event Selection: 4% - 8%
 - Oscillations: 5%
- Center rectangular uncertainties and transform to Gaussian
- Add uncertainties in quadrature
 - Total Offsets: 15% - 39%
 - Total Uncertainties: 13% - 24%
- Incorporate uncertainties into limits using Conrad-Hill confidence band construction

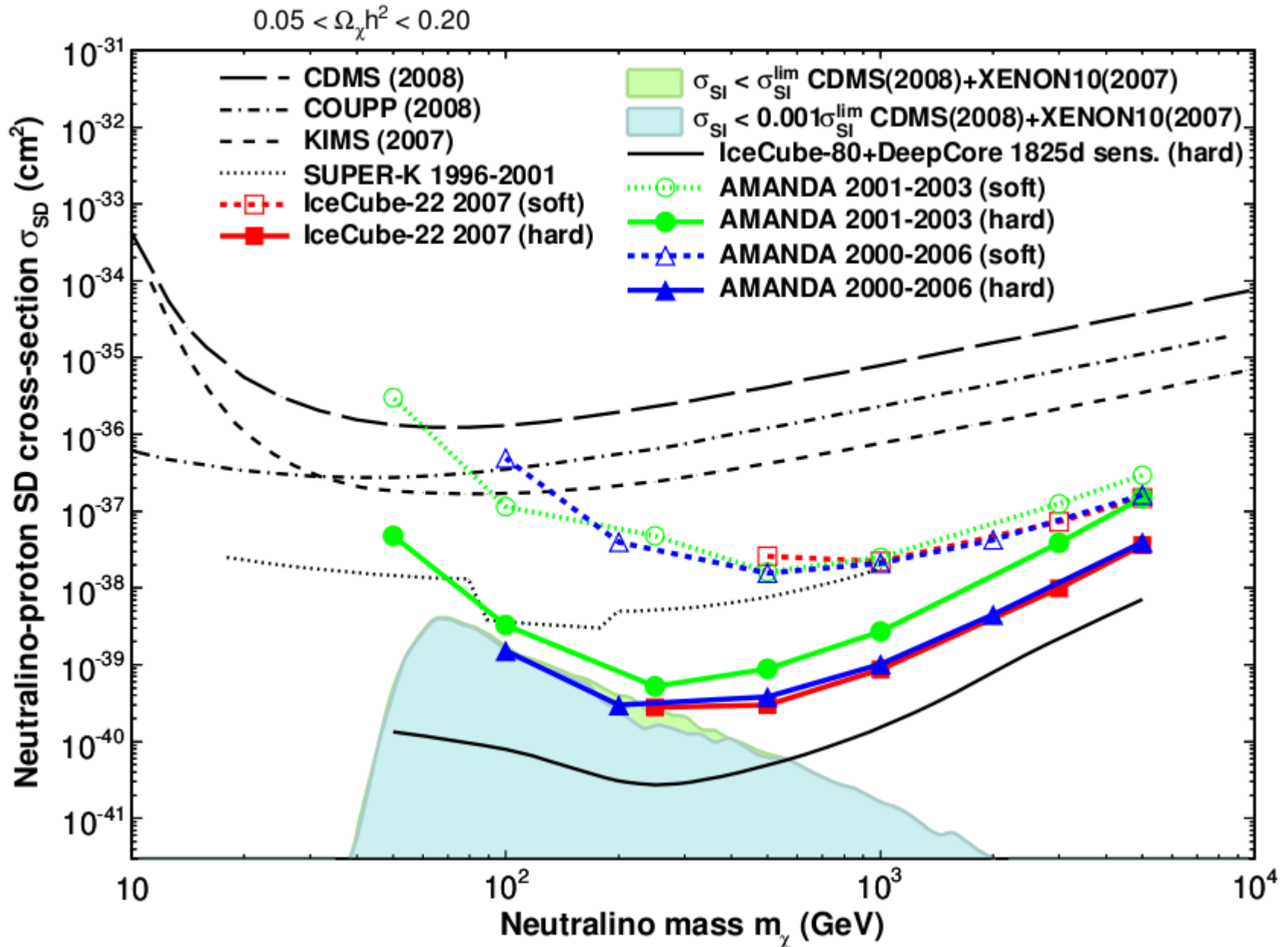
Muon Flux Limits

$0.05 < \Omega_\chi h^2 < 0.20$

Indirect searches - $E_\mu^{\text{thr}} = 1 \text{ GeV}$



Cross Section Limits



Discussion

- Limits for low masses are interesting
 - Extend the IceCube-22 string limits from Gustav
- Limits will be presented at ICRC alongside Daan's
- How do we proceed with a journal publication?