

Future 21cm-cosmology probe of decaying DM

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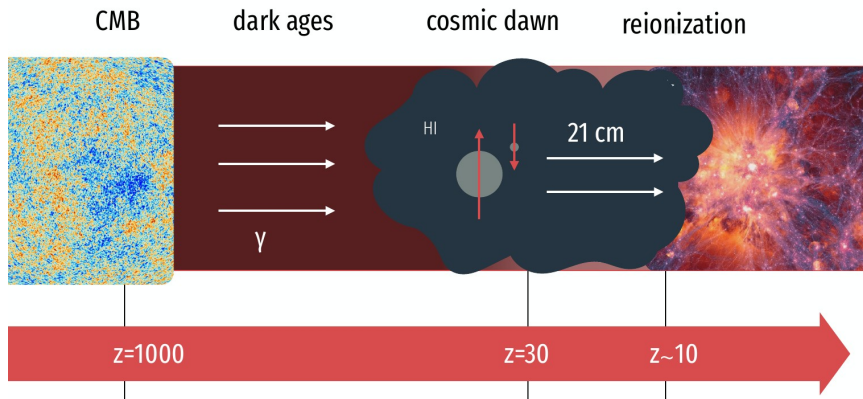
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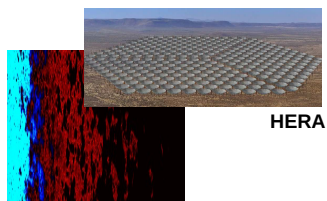
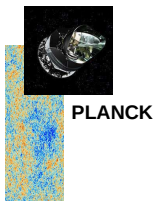
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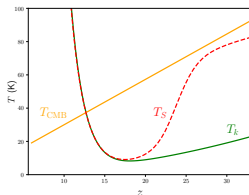
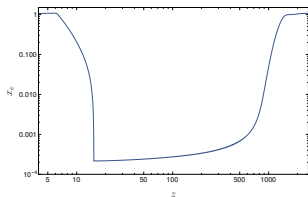
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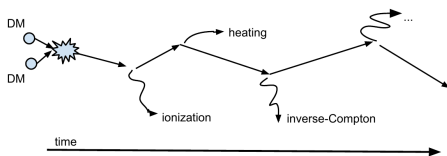
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[image from A. Vincent]

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$f_c(z) = \text{energy deposition efficiency per channel}$

(can be obtained using DarkHistory [Liu'19, Liu'23])

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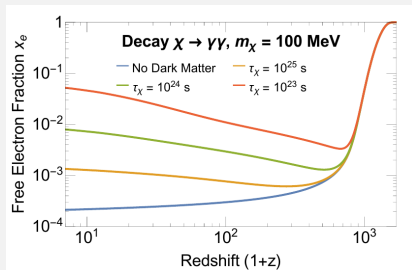
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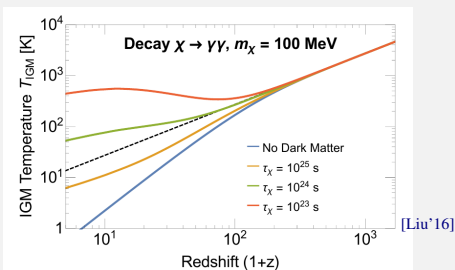
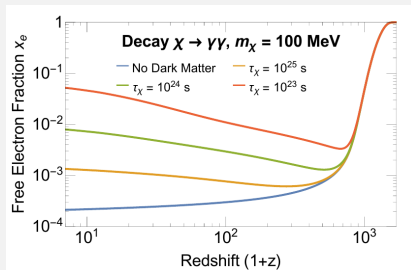
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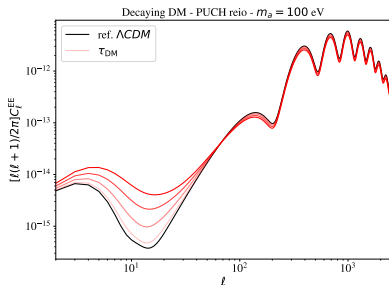
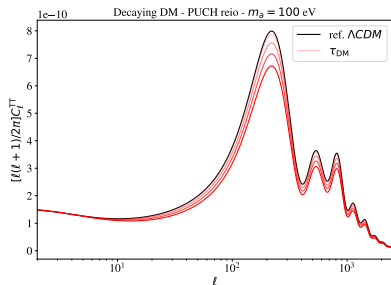
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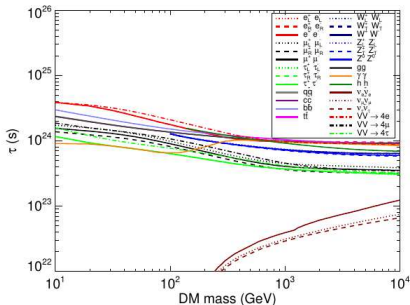


- **increased residual ionization** after recombination (steadily growing with time)
- increased the optical depth to reionization $\tau_{\text{reio}} = \int dt x_e n_b \sigma_T$
- **attenuates correlations** at small scales (large ℓ) and **enhances low- ℓ polarisation power**.

The low- ℓ data are important to discriminate energy injection from other cosmo params such as n_s, A_s affecting the amplitude of the CMB peaks.

Existing CMB constraints on DM decay

see also [LLH'13, Liu'16, Slatyer'16, Capozzi'23,...]



$\rightsquigarrow \tau_{\text{DM}} \gtrsim \text{few} \times 10^{24-26} \text{ s}$ at 95% CL [Slatyer'16, Capozzi'23]

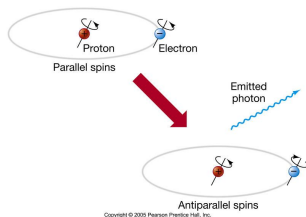
CMB bounds are usually weaker than indirect DM searches
probing up to $\tau \sim 10^{27-30} \text{ s}$

except for MeV-GeV DM decaying to e^+e^- and $< \text{MeV}$ DM decaying to $\gamma\gamma$.

21cm Cosmology : near future late time probe

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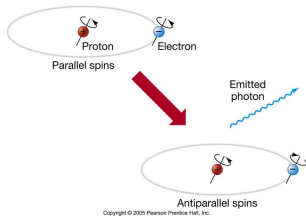
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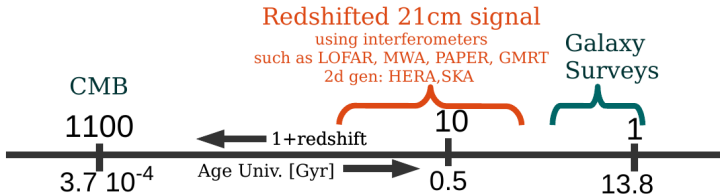
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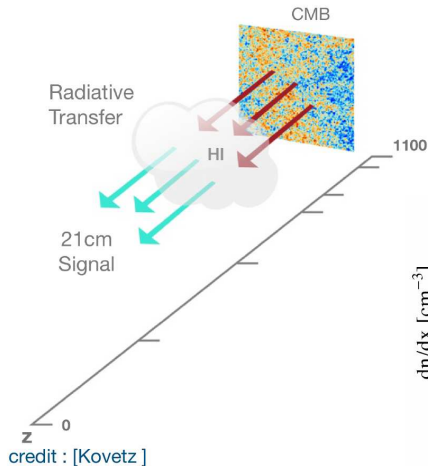
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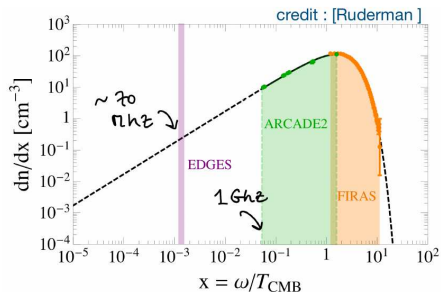
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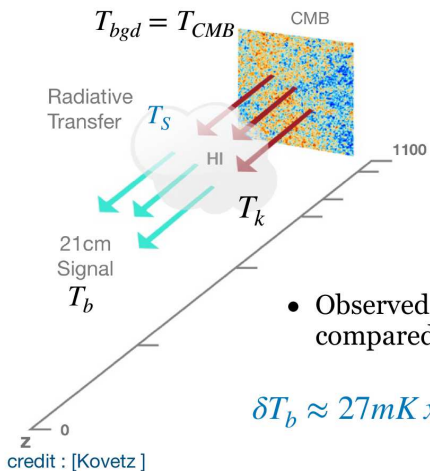
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- The spin temperature (= excitation T of HI) characterises the relative occupancy of HI ground state

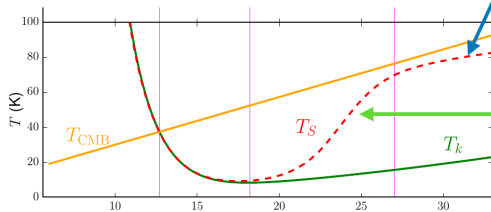
$$n_1/n_0 = 3 \exp(-h\nu_0/k_B T_S)$$

- Observed brightness of a patch of HI compared to CMB at $\nu = \nu_0/(1+z)$

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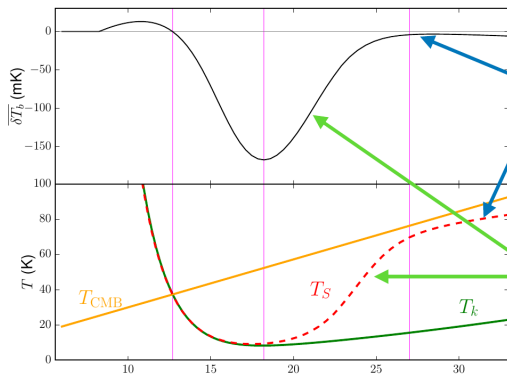
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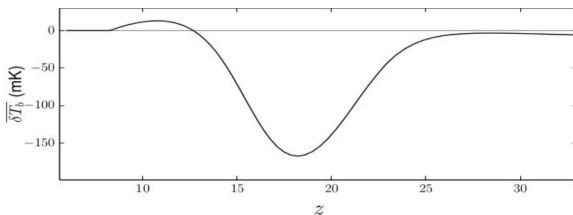
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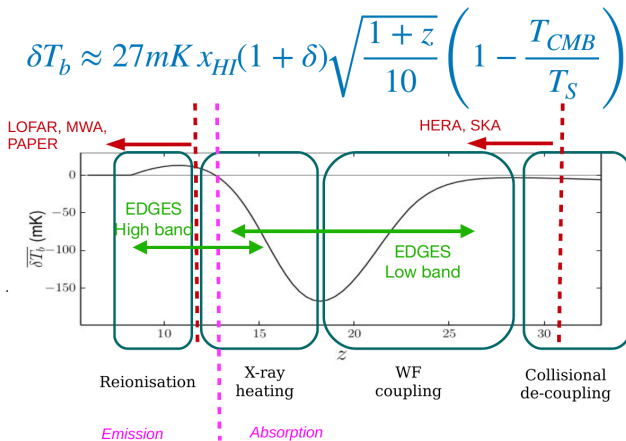
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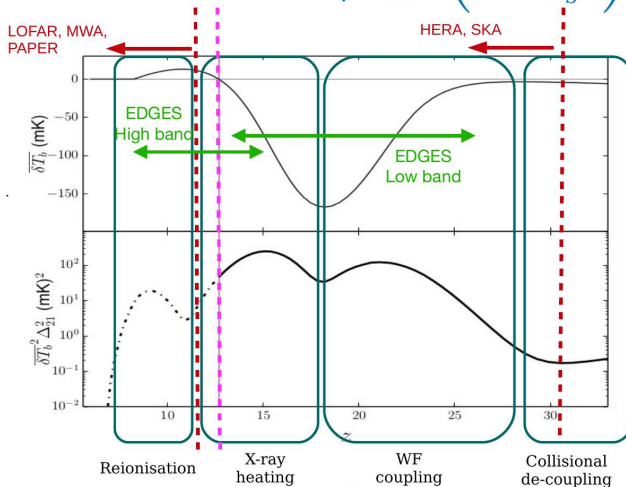


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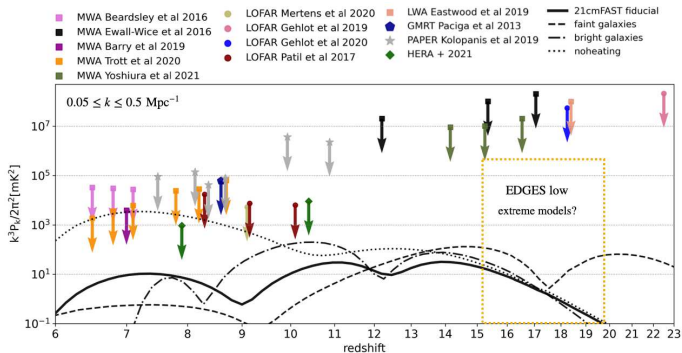
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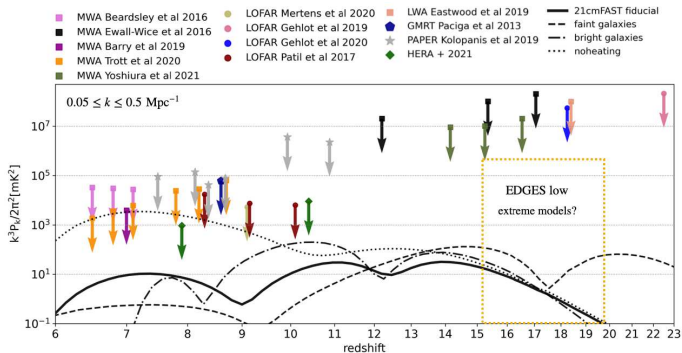
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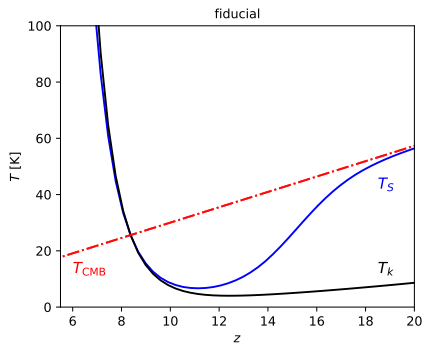
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- We will consider **HERA interferometer** in South Africa with 331 antennas (14m dishes) under deployment (=SKA precursor).
- First data from **HERA phase I** probed $z \sim 8 - 10$ with only ~ 70 ant. **already set a lower bound on X-ray heating** [HERA'21& 22]. Actually the full set of 331 antennas is already build and soon taking data.

Decaying DM and 21cm power spectrum

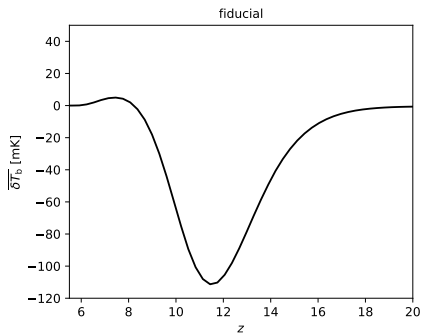
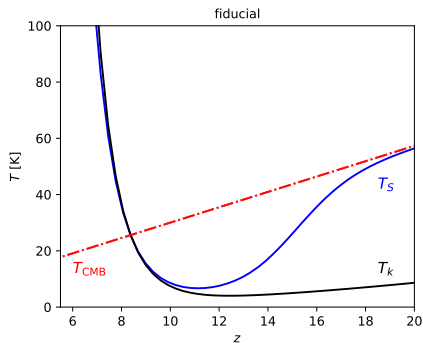
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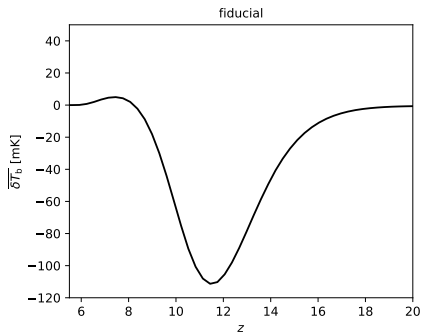
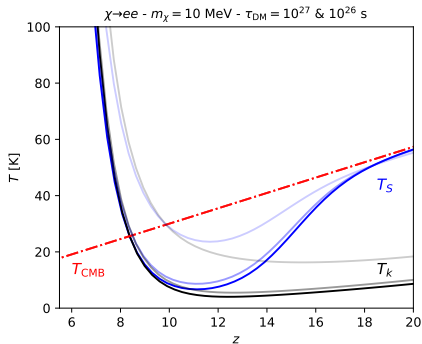
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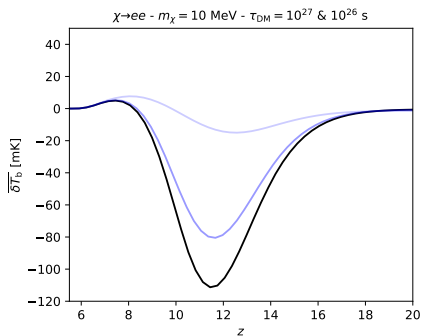
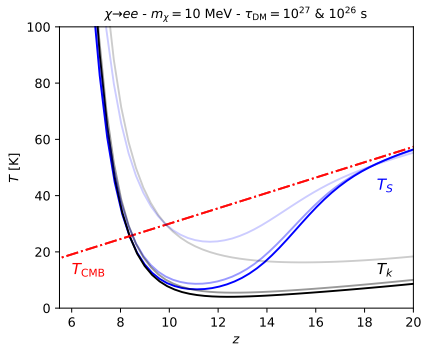


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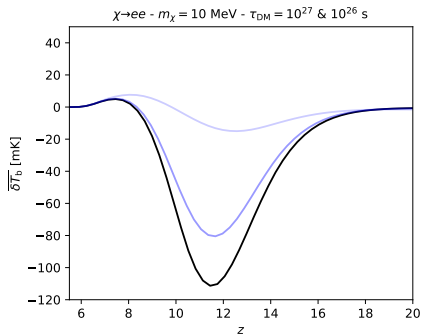
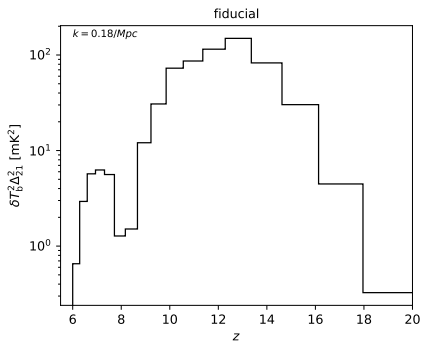


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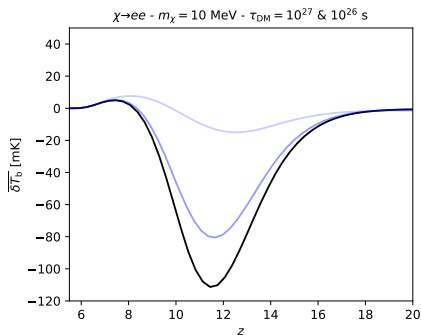
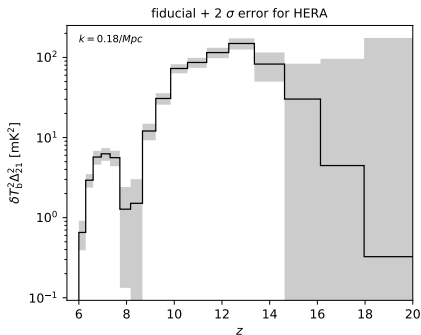
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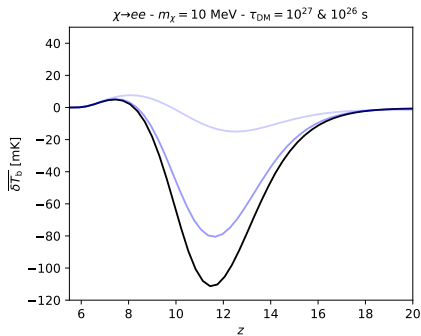
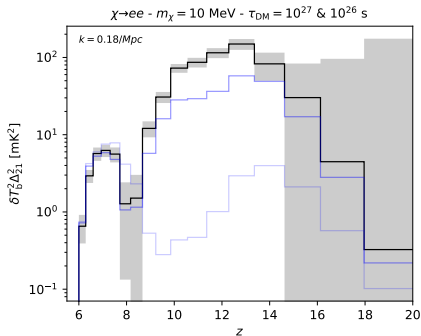
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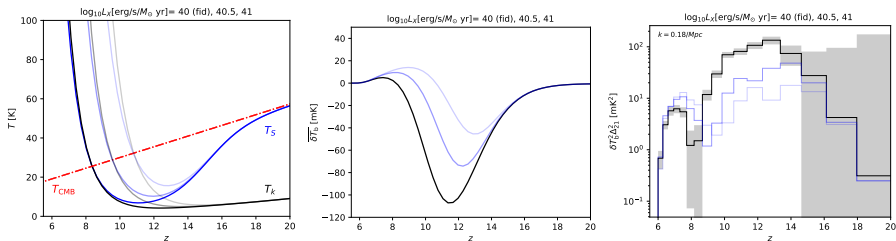


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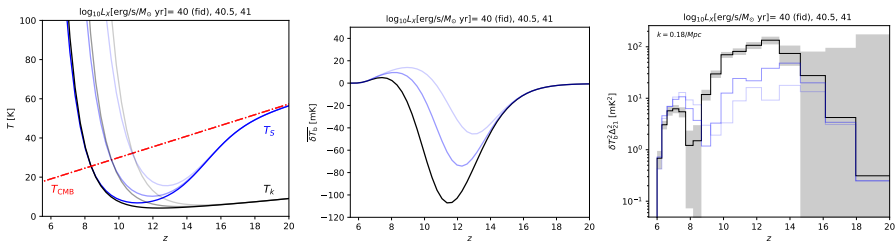
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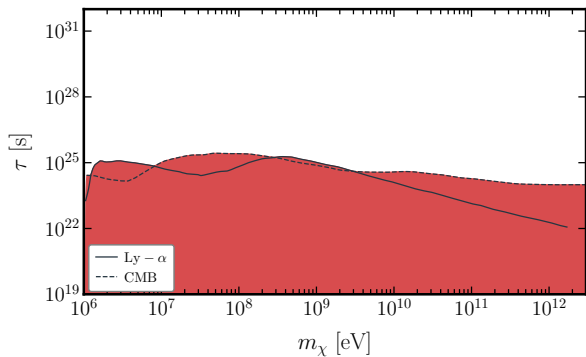
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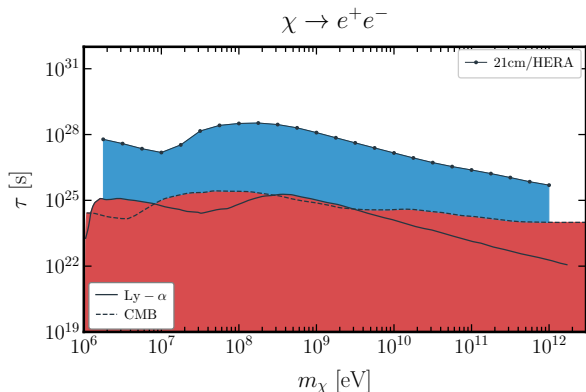


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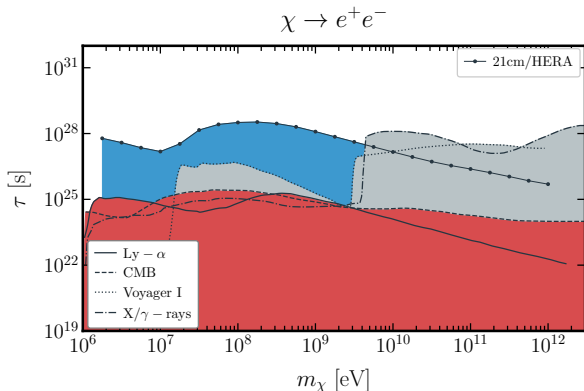
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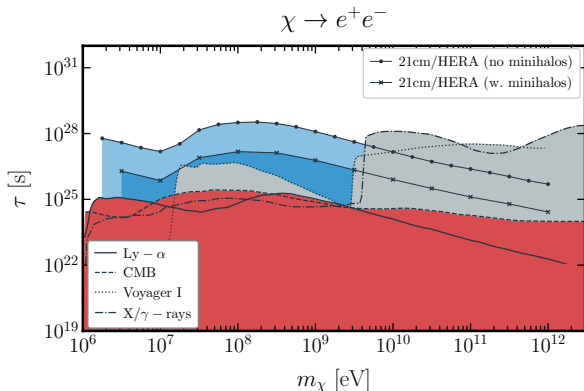
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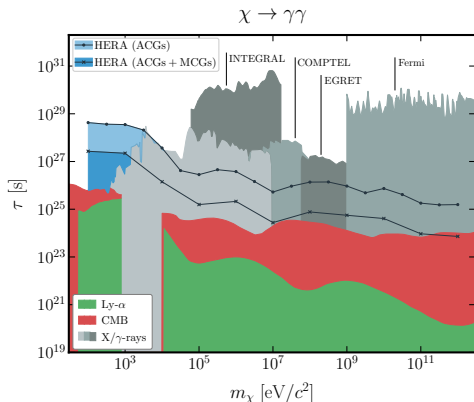
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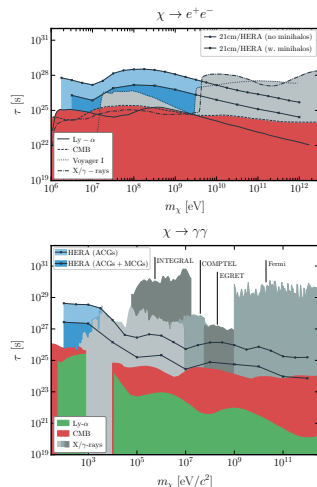
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Conclusions

Dark matter energy injection through decays imply rather **late time** (later than WIMP) enhancement of ionization and IGM temperature.

Low z data such as **21cm power spectrum measurements** might become a key probe for decaying DM

- We forecast HERA sensitivity with 331 antennas under deployment in South Africa and taking data.
- Expected to surpass CMB/ Lyman- α sensitivity and reach $\tau_{DM} > 10^{27-28}$ s.
- DM annihilation is the next step, checking the impact of the $B(z)$.



Thank you for your attention!!

Backup

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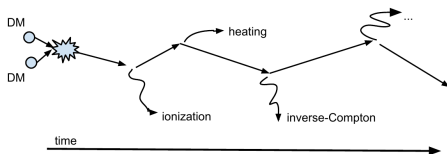
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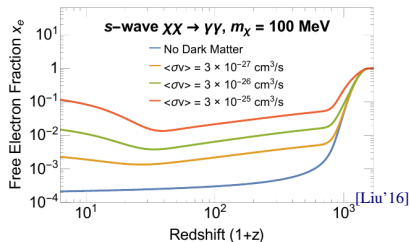
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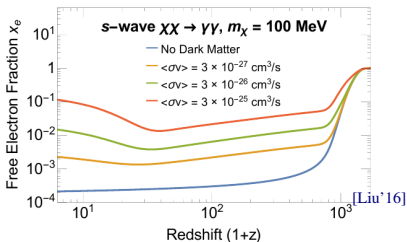


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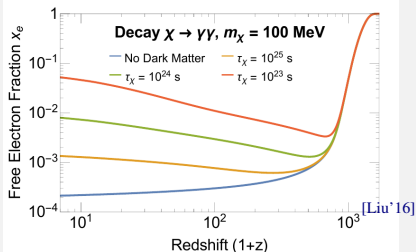
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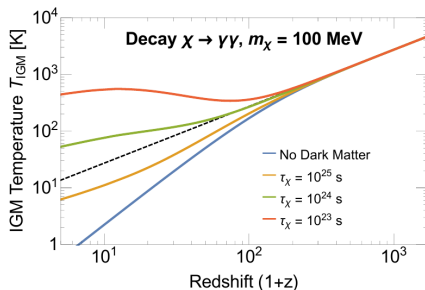
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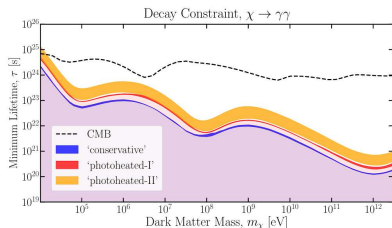
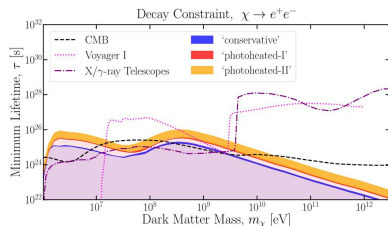
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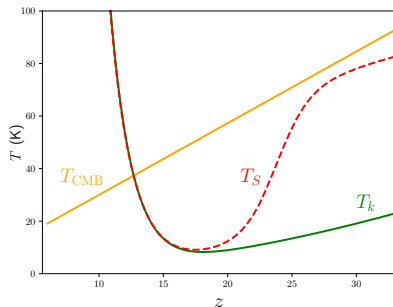
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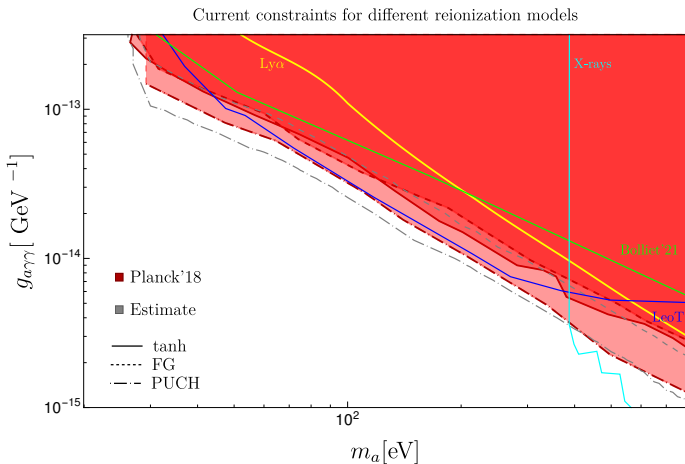
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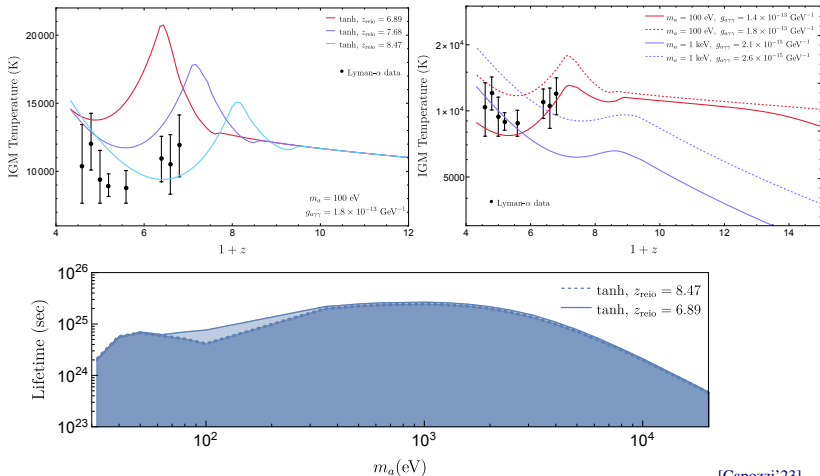
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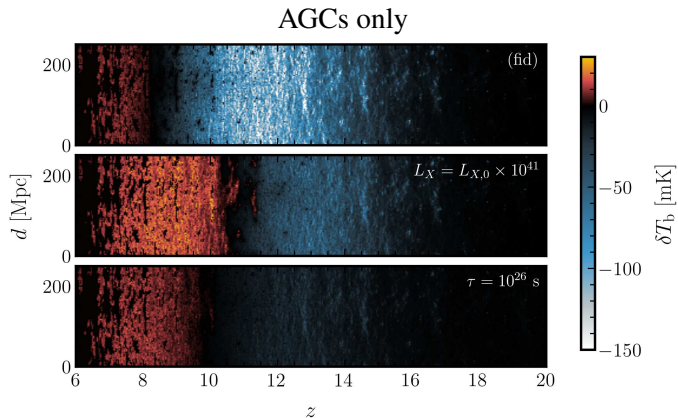


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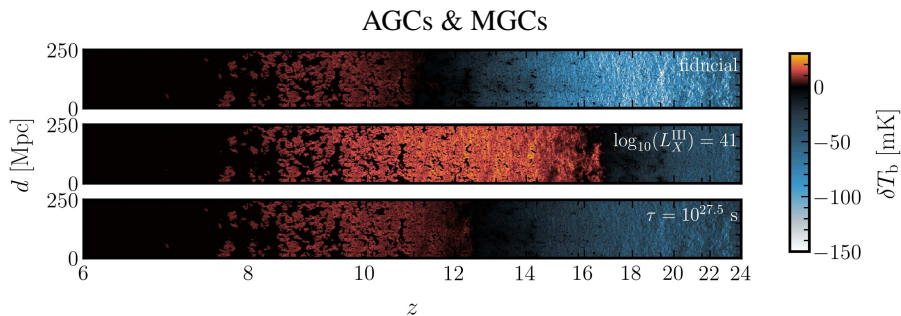


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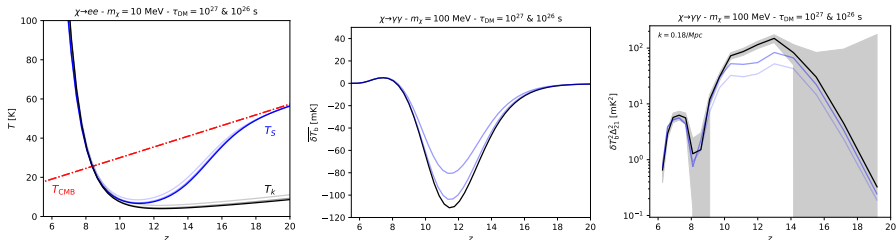
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Impact of $\text{DM} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ on T_k , δT_b and Δ_{21}



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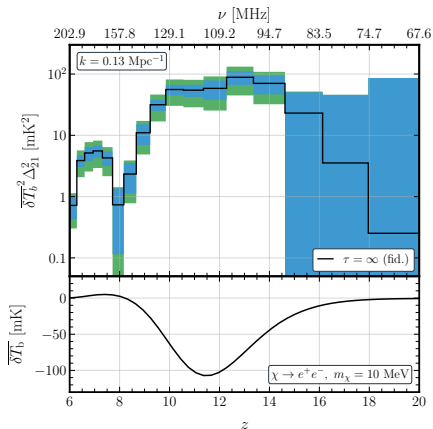
- new **source of heating**, earlier than X-rays from stars
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plots made using exo21cmFast developed by G. Facchinetti merging 21cmFast and DarkHistory

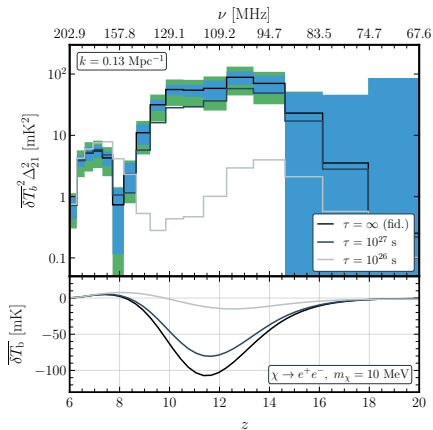
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- Fisher matrix can be used to estimate the minimum uncertainties of parameters given observations $\sigma_{Fisher} \lesssim \sigma_{true}$ [Albrecht et al. 2009] (= optimistic estimate of the errors) (e.g. using 21cmFISH by C. Mason'22, they show that $\sigma_{Fisher,i}$ are within 40% of the those obtained with MCMC for Λ CDM)
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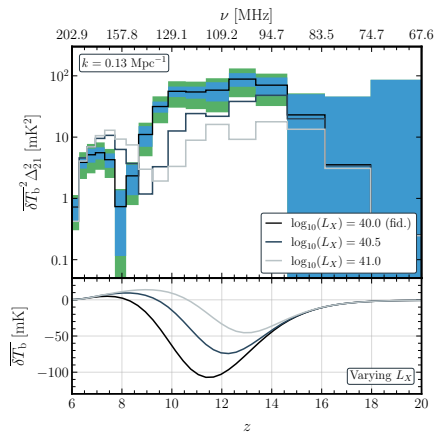
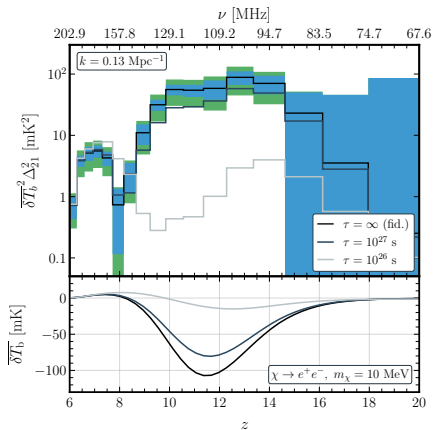
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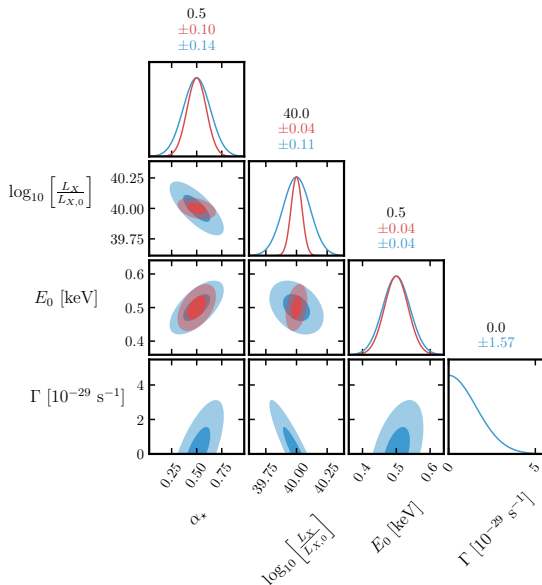
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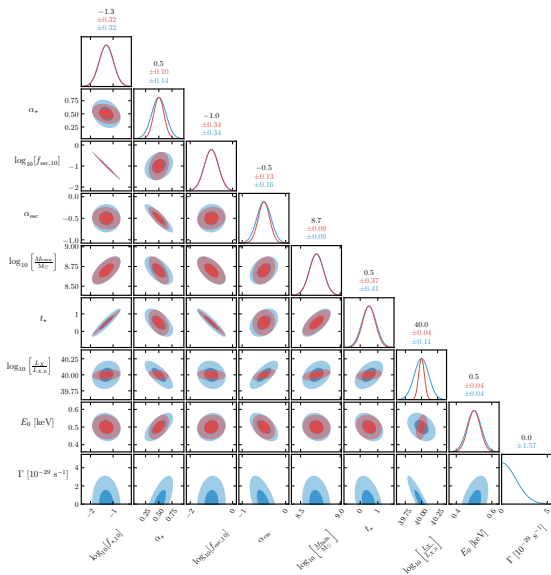


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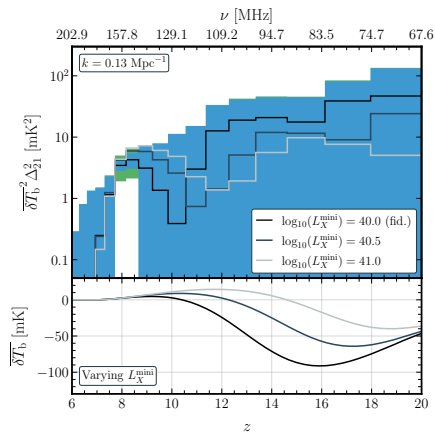
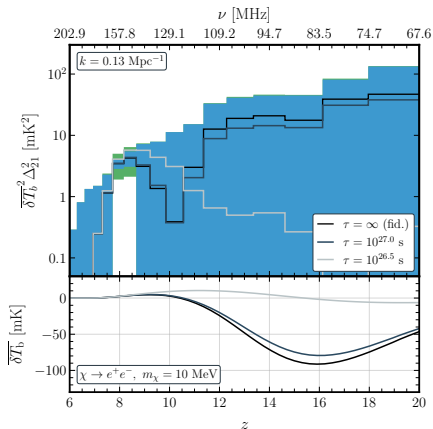
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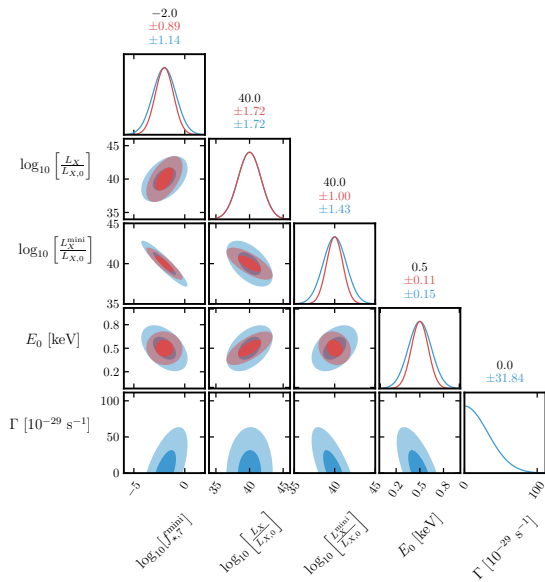


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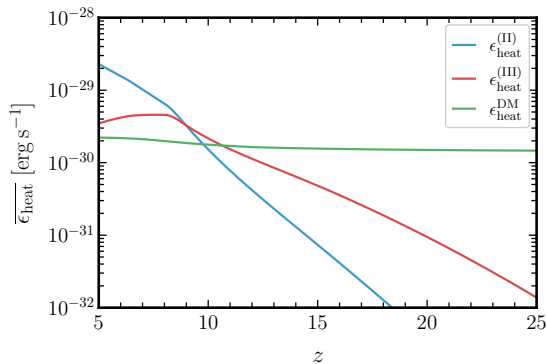


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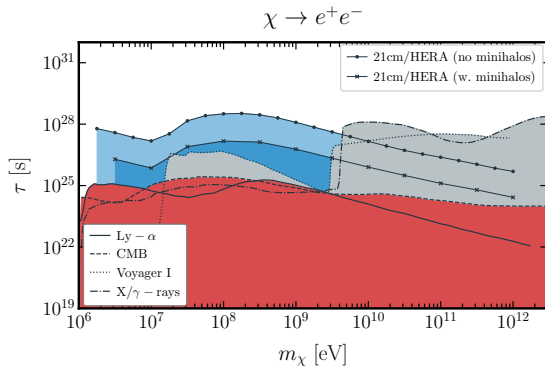
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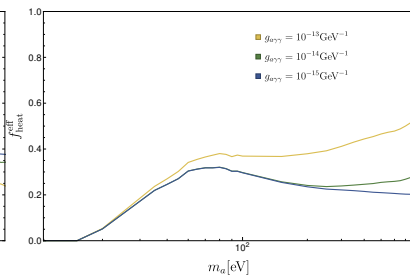
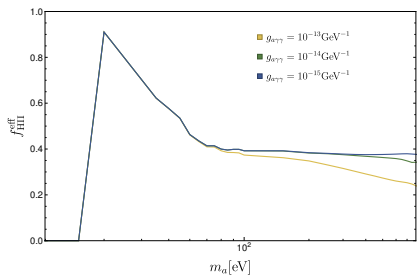
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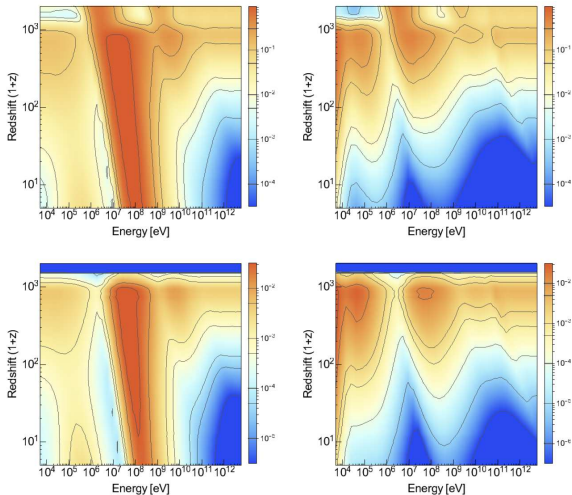
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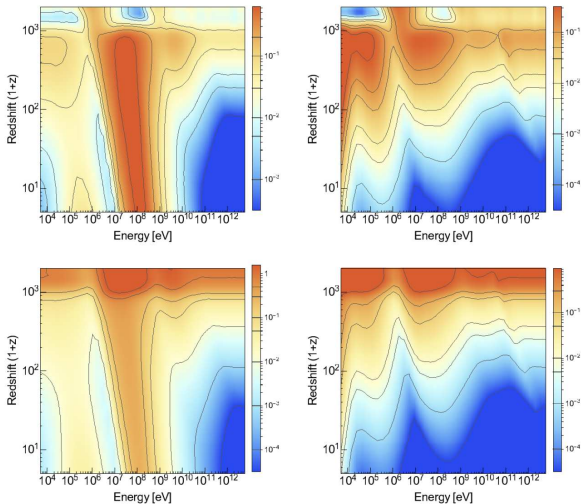


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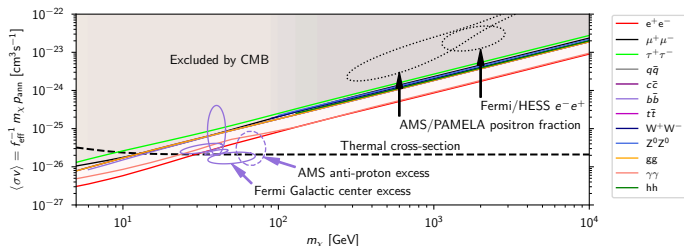
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CMB constraints on DM annihilation

see e.g. [Chen'03, Padmanabhan'05, Cirelli'09, Slatyer'09, Galli'11, Giesen'12, LLH'13, Galli'13, Madhavacheril'13, Poulin'15,...]

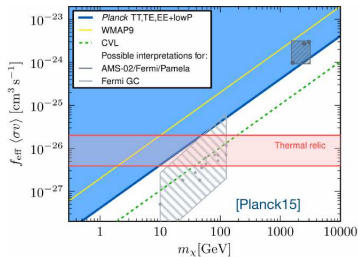


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- CMB data most sensitive to annihilating DM energy injections at $z \simeq 600$ [Finkbeiner'12]. For annihilating DM, one can take $f_c(z) = f_{\text{eff}} = f_c(z = 600)$.
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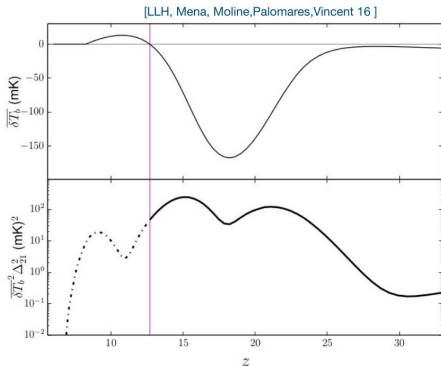
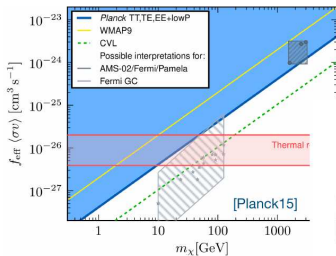
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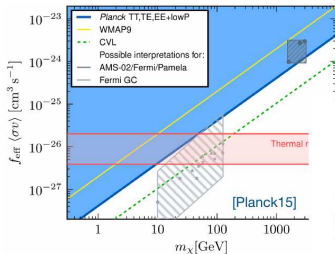
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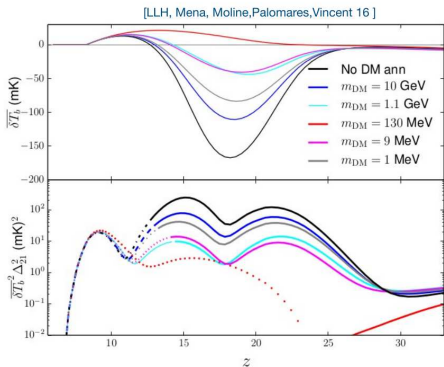
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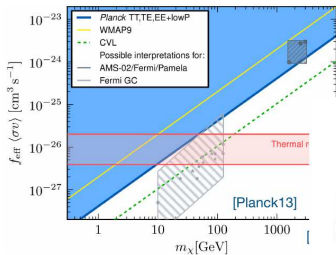
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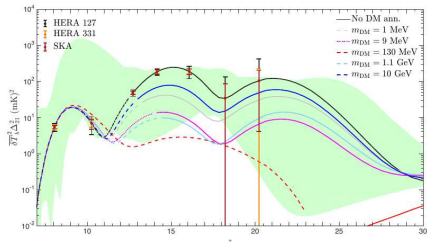
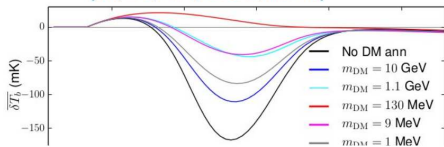
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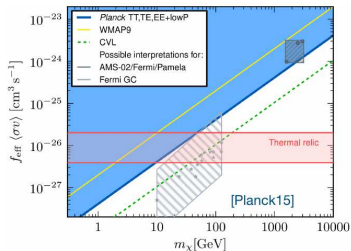
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[LLH, Mena, Moline, Palomares, Vincent 13]

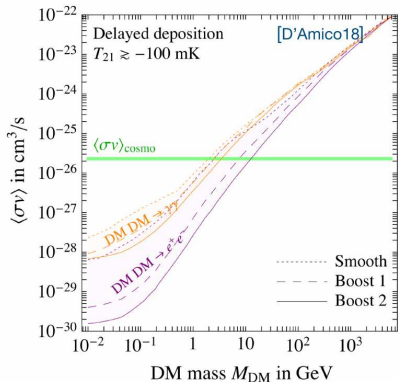


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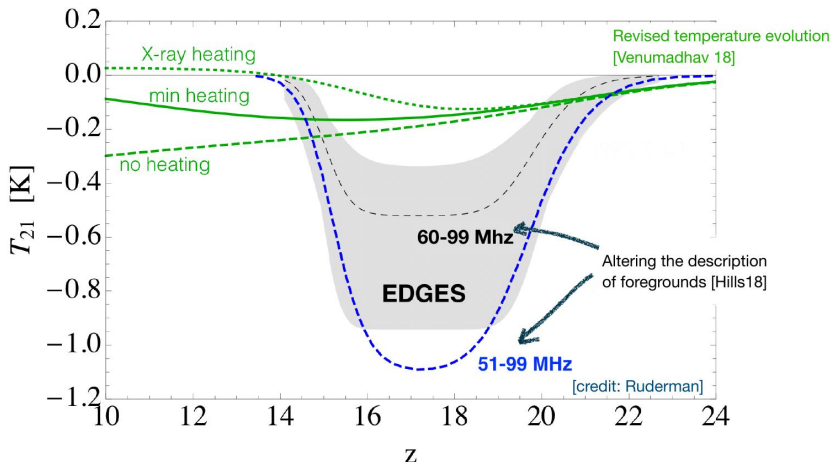


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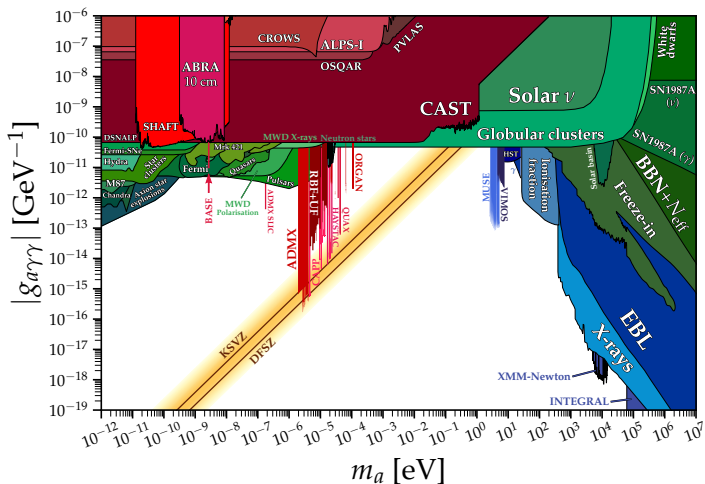
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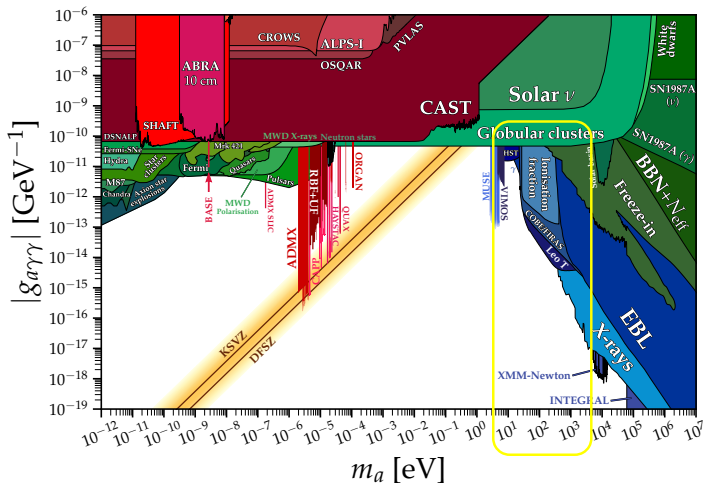
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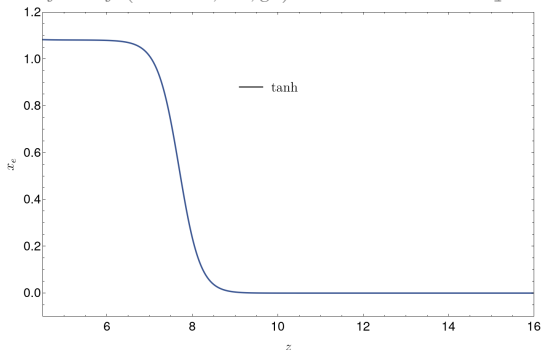
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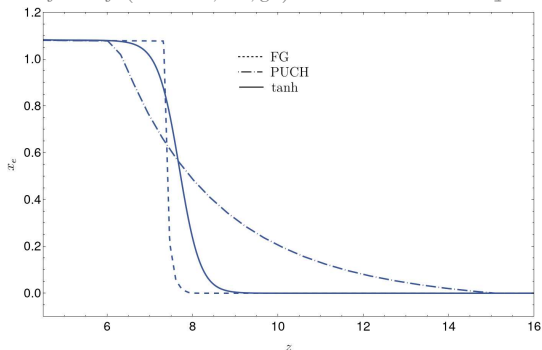
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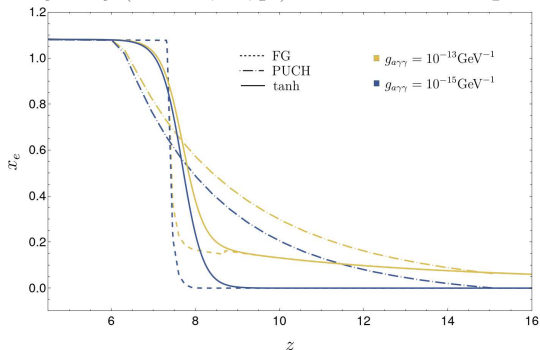
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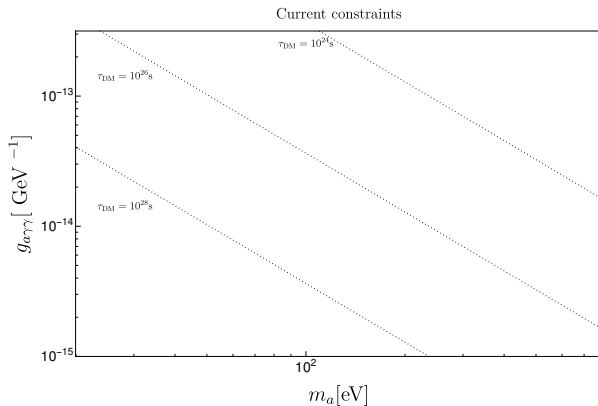
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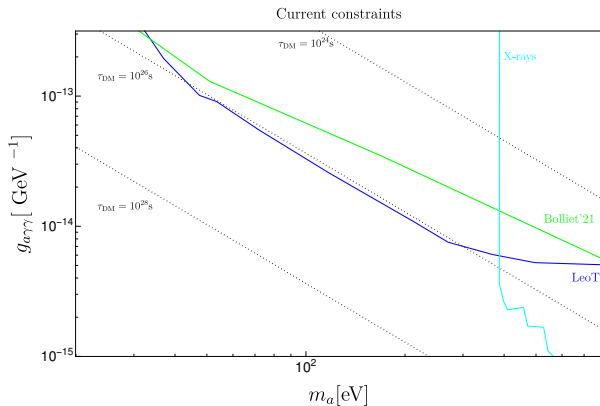
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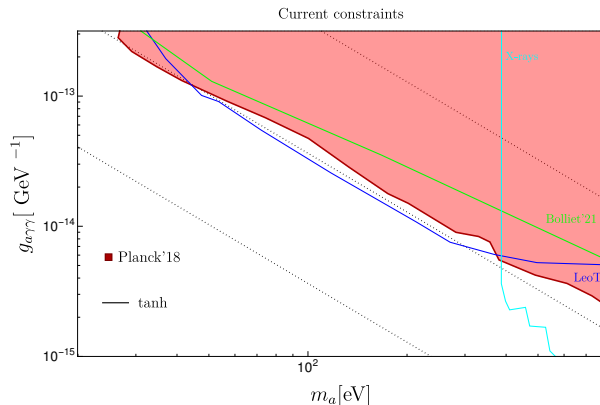
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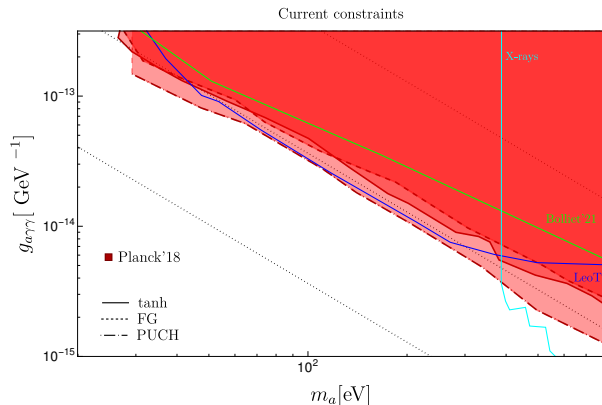
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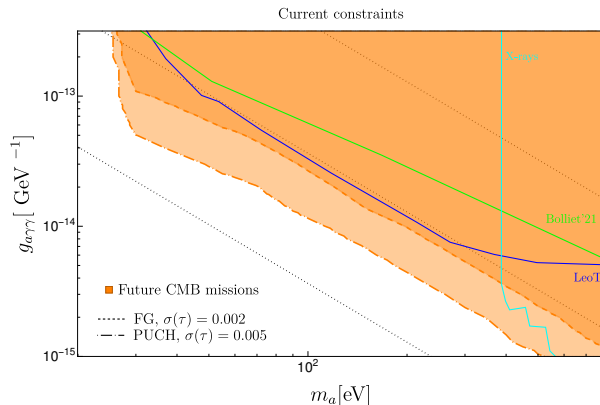
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- Future CMB variance limited Experiments will definitely give more stringent bounds. In the latter case, the reionization history from stars will matter.

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This is really the end