

Search for WIMP-Induced Annual Modulation with the CUORE-0 Experiment

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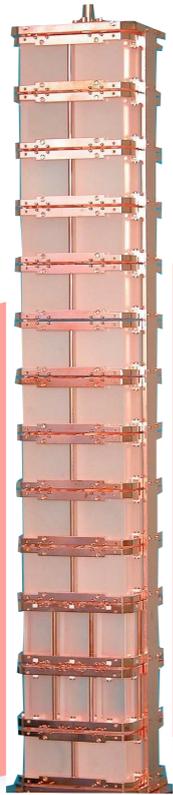
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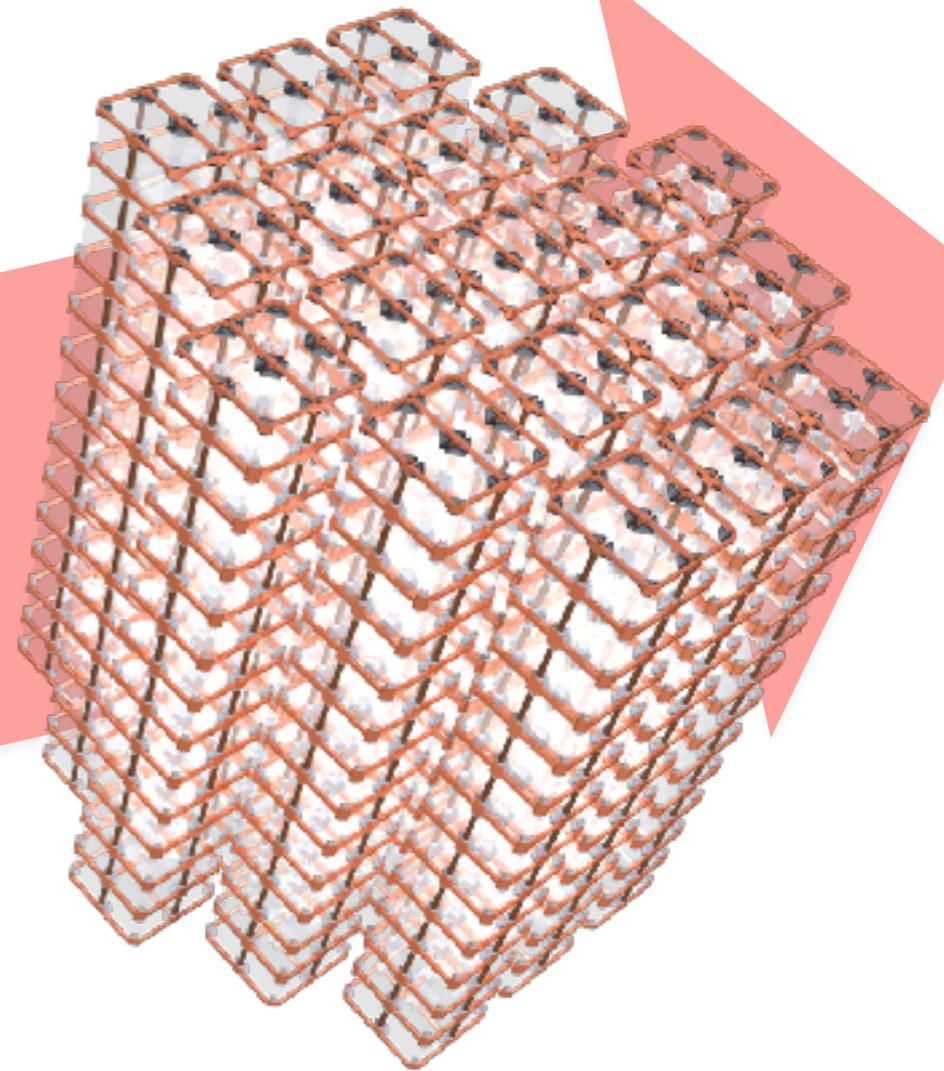
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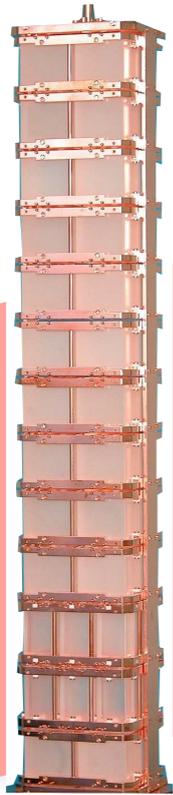
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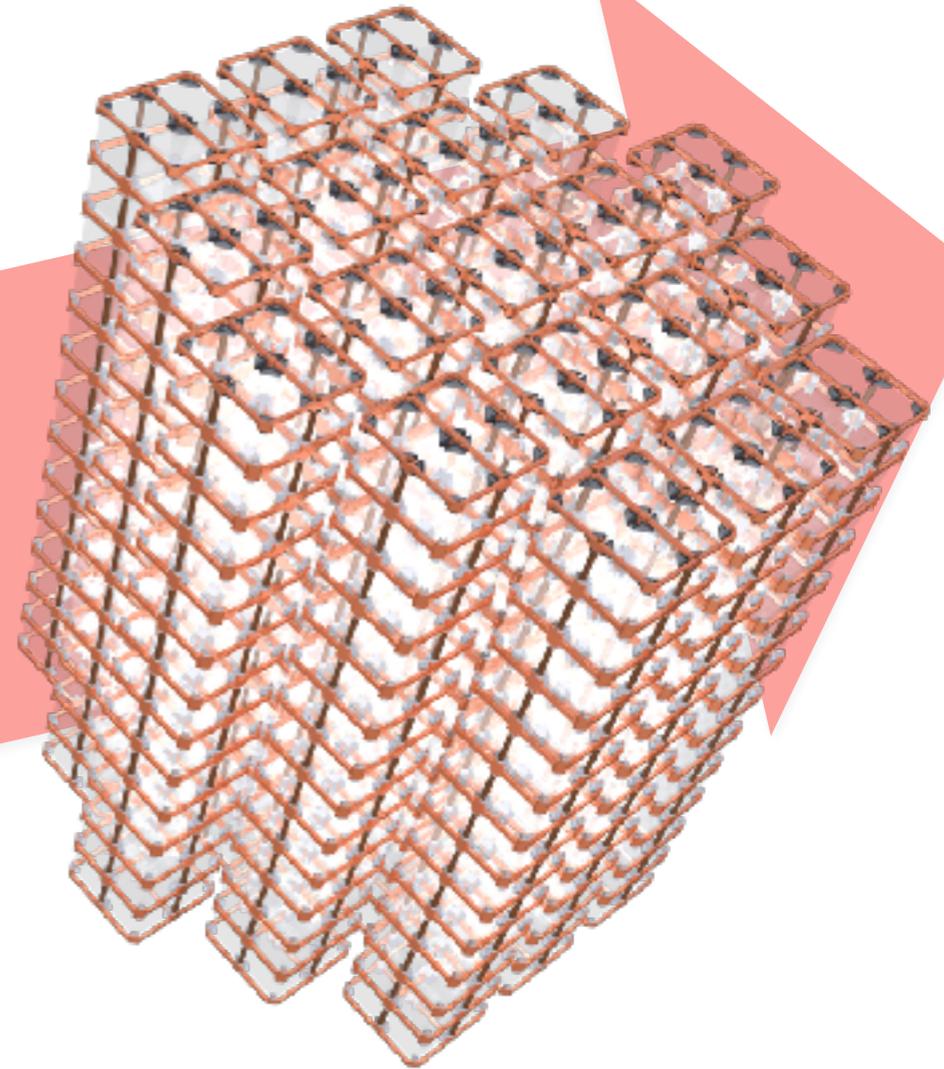
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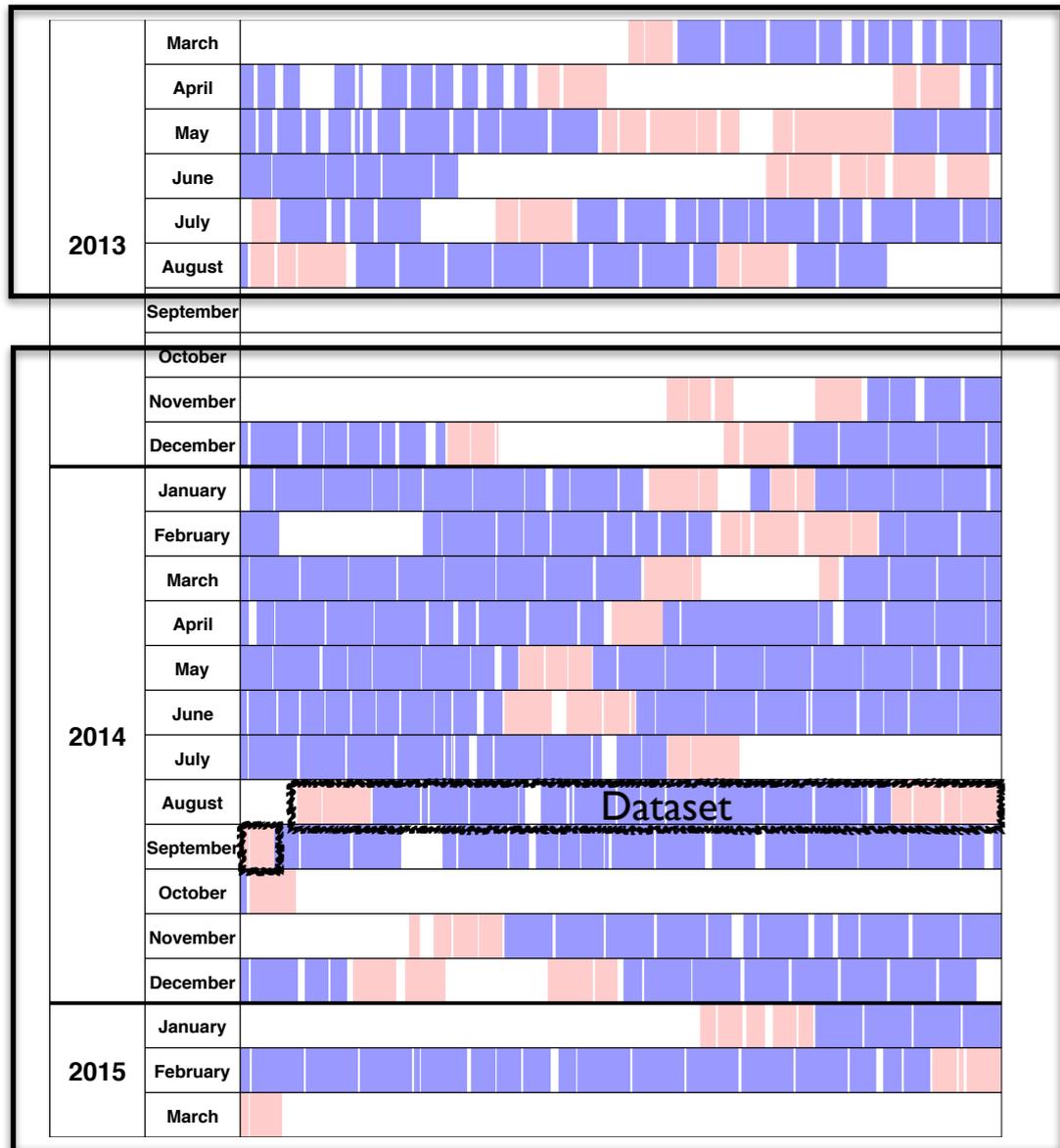
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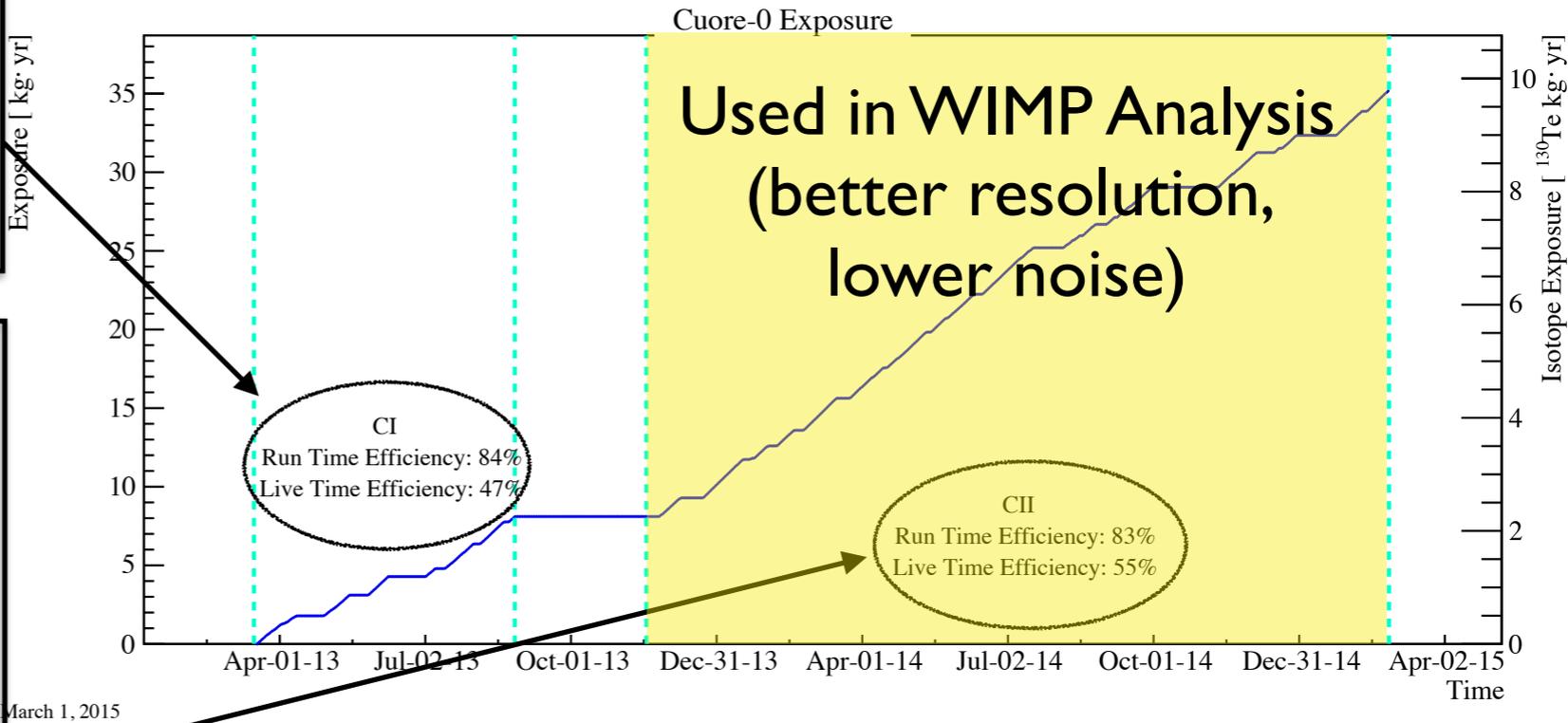
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CUORE-0 Data



■ Physics data
■ Calibration data

dataset: share calibration coefficients (~ 1 month)

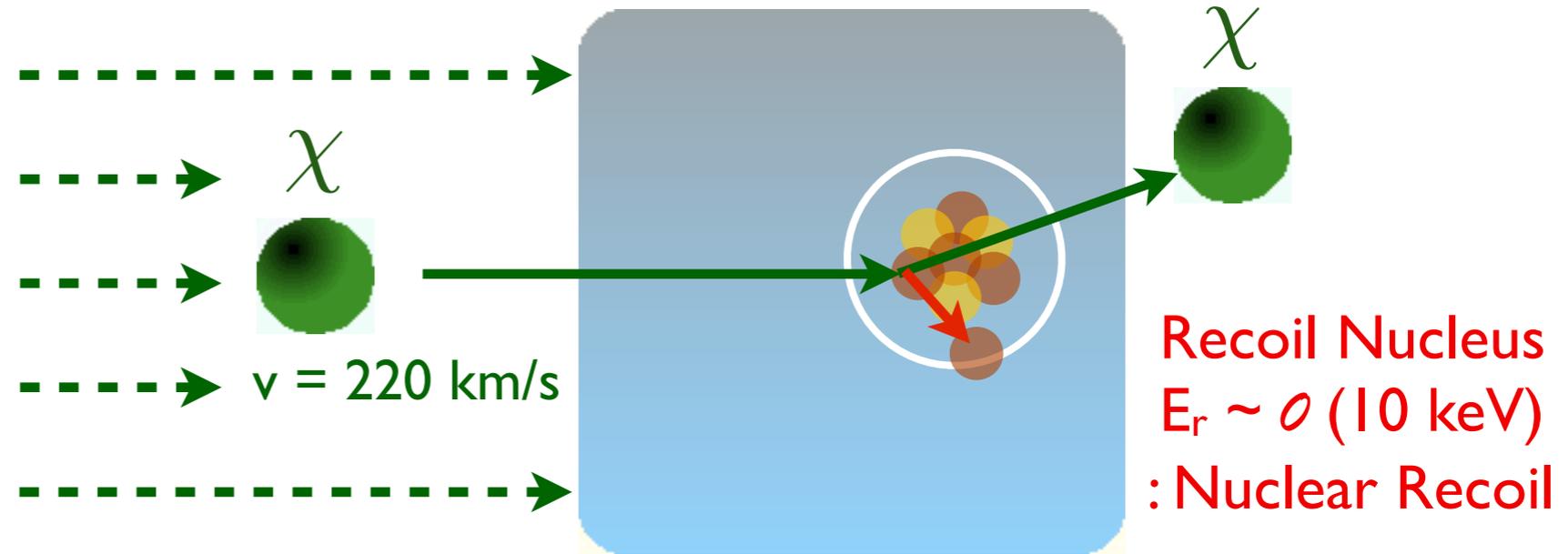
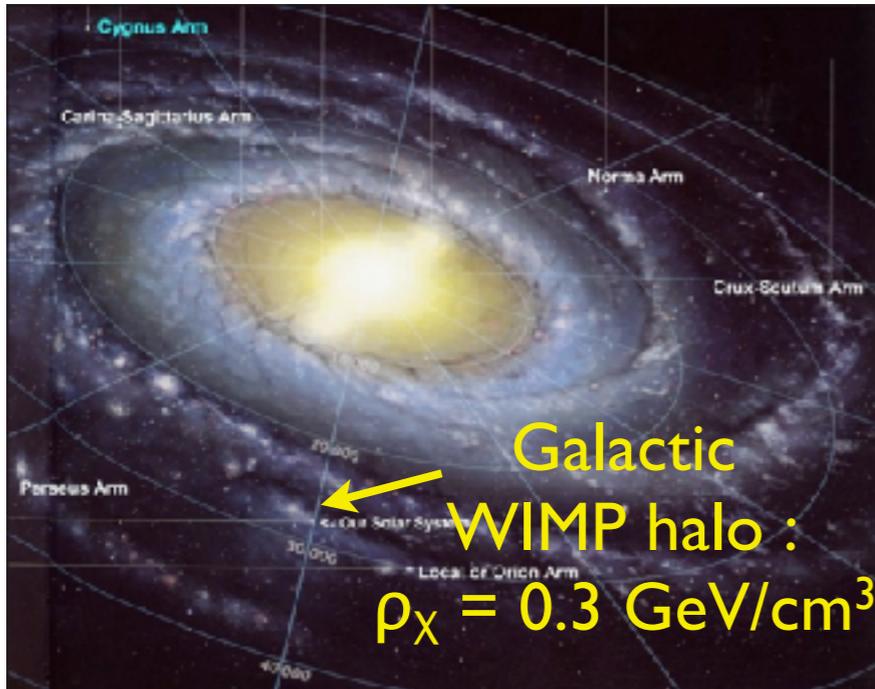


- Reported the most stringent limit on the half-life of $0\nu\beta\beta$ of ^{130}Te with combination of Cuoricino results (Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 102502 (2015), Phys. Rev. C 93, 045503 (2016))
- Measured the half-life of $2\nu\beta\beta$ of ^{130}Te with the highest precision (arXiv: 1609.01666)
- **WIMP dark matter annual modulation analysis under finalization**

Principle of WIMP Direct Detection



Goodman and Witten: Elastic Scattering of WIMPs off Target Nuclei (1985)



Recoil Energy :
$$E_r = \frac{|\vec{q}|^2}{2m_N} = \frac{\mu^2 v^2}{m_N} (1 - \cos \theta) \sim \mathcal{O}(10 \text{ keV})$$

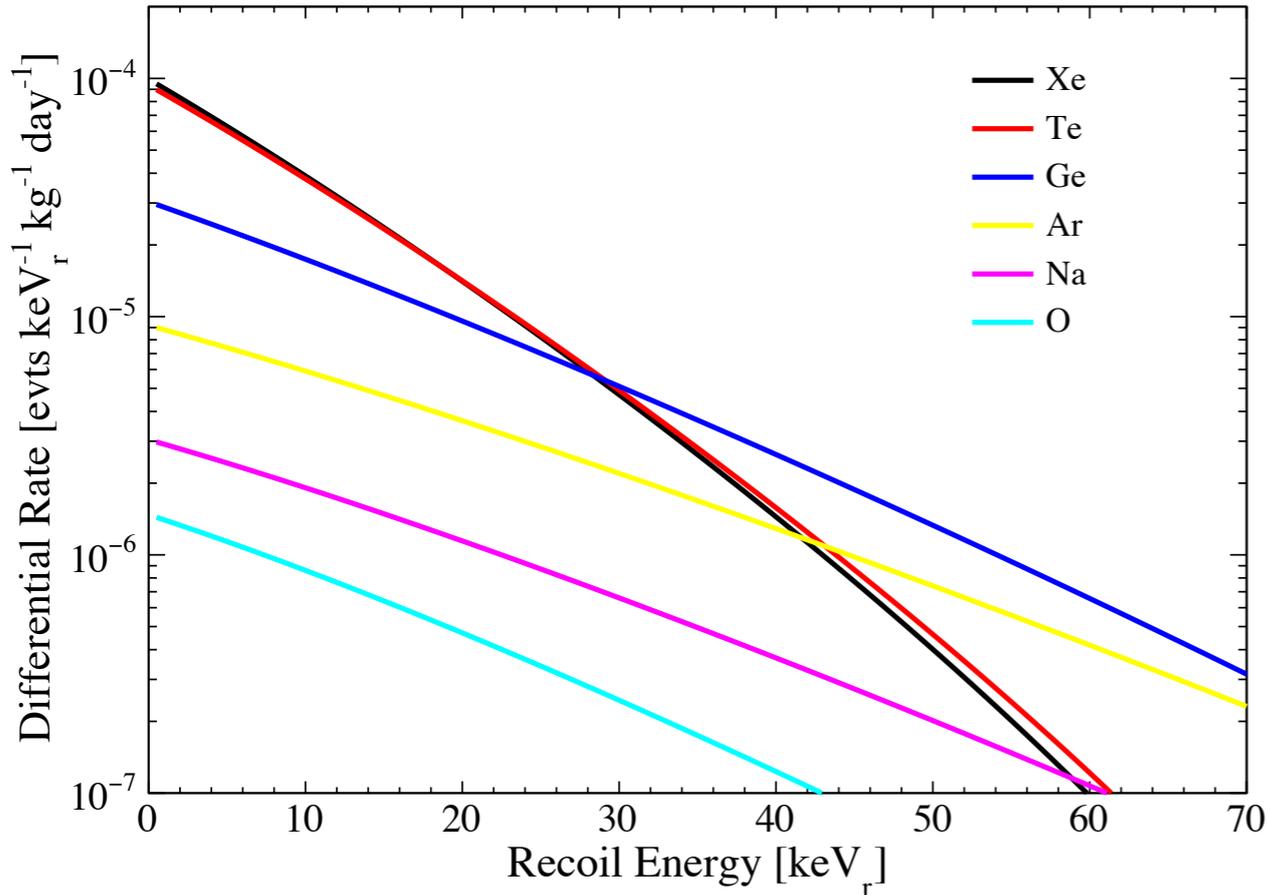
Expected Rate :
$$R \propto N \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \sigma_{\chi N} \langle v \rangle$$

↑ **Detector Physics Input**
 (number of nuclei in target)

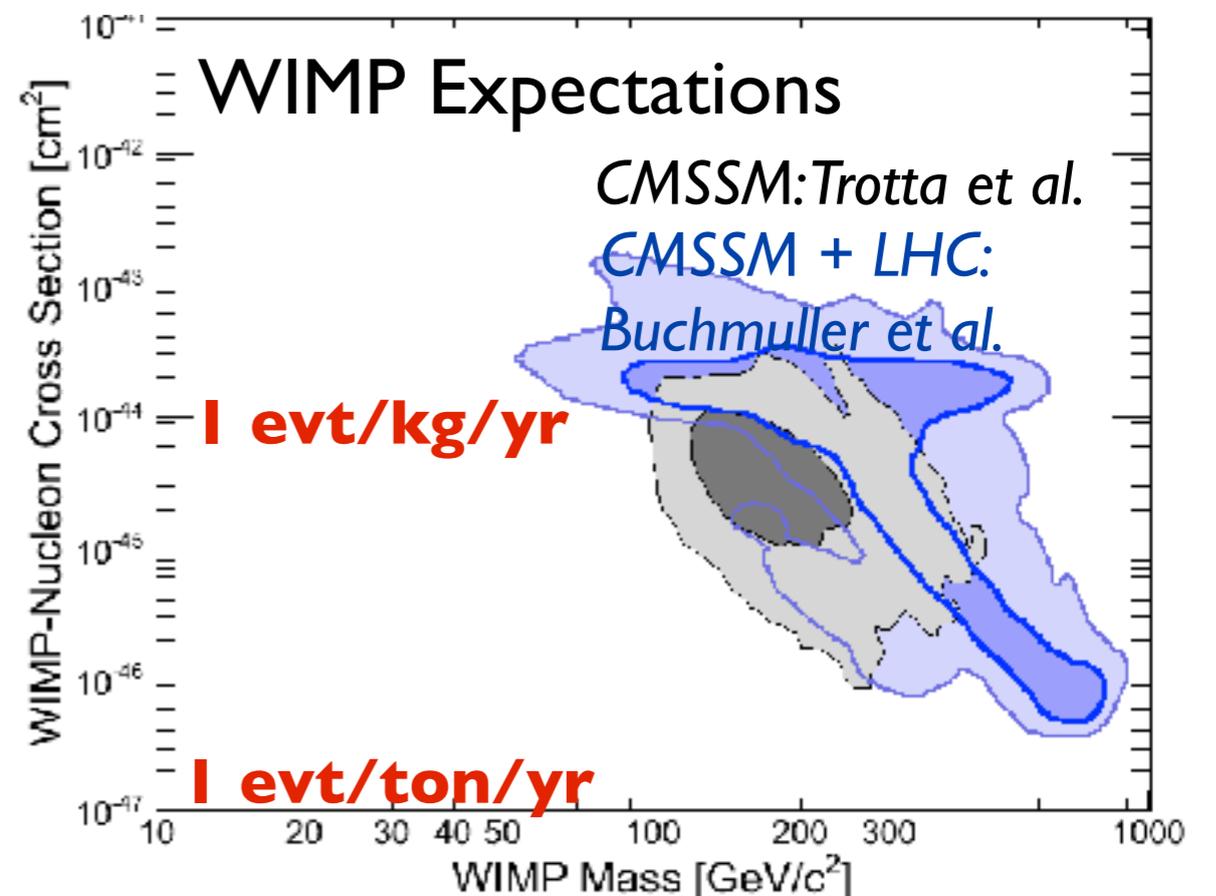
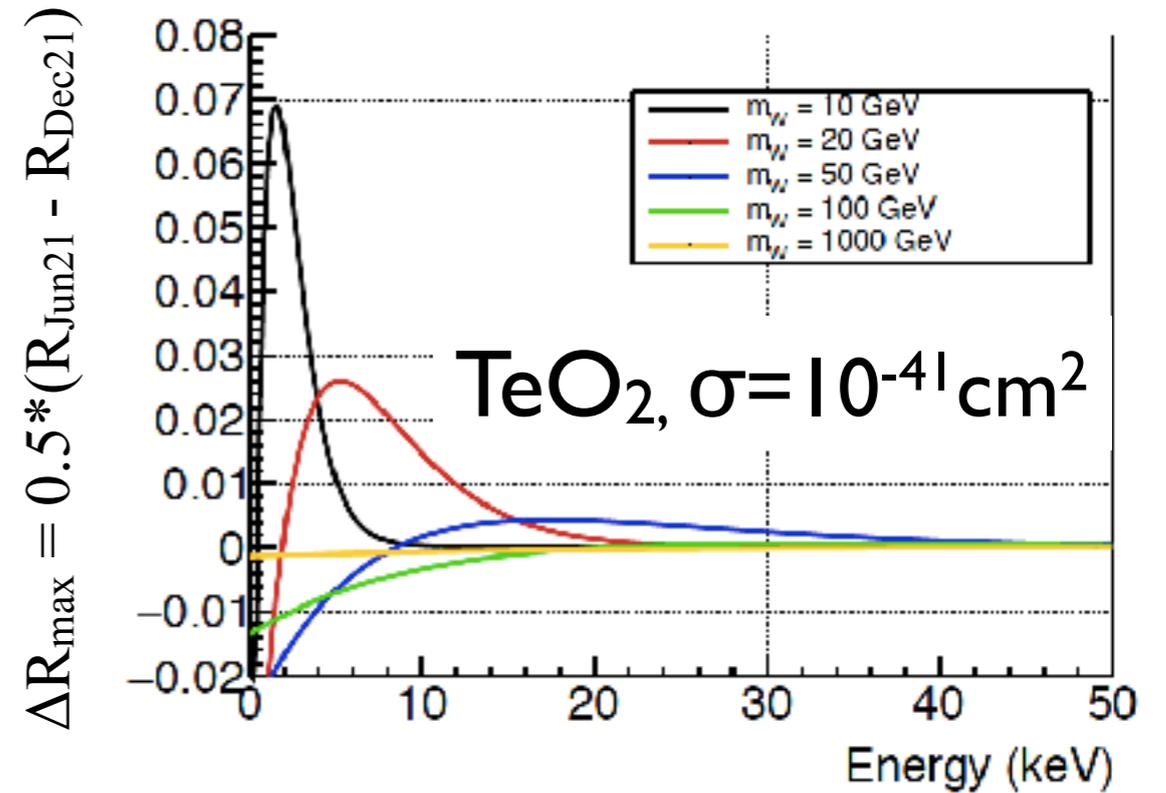
← **Astrophysics Input**
 (the local DM density at our position in galaxy)
 (average WIMP velocity in the lab frame)

↑ **Particle Physics Input**
 (WIMP-nucleus elastic scattering cross section)
 (WIMP mass)

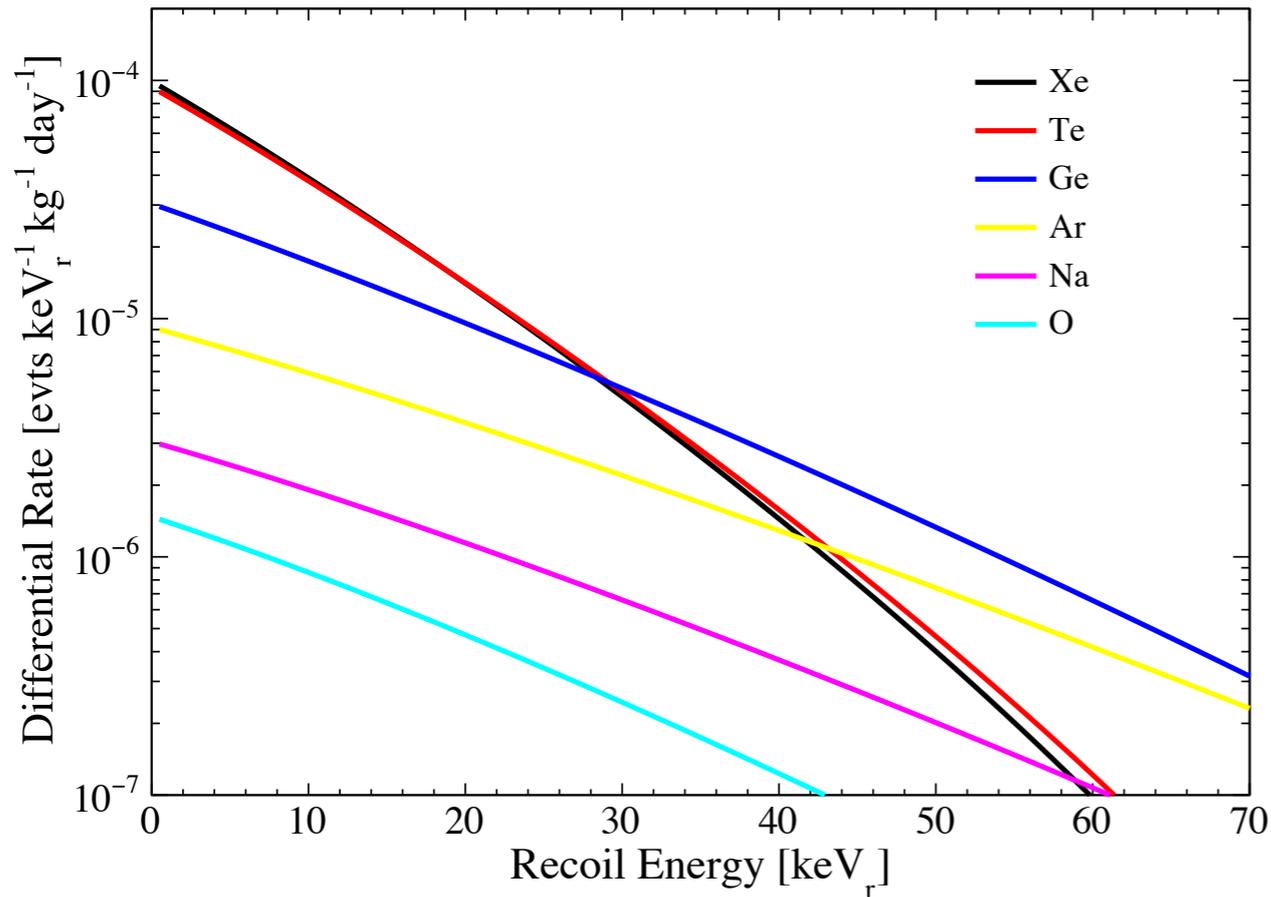
Expected WIMP Signal



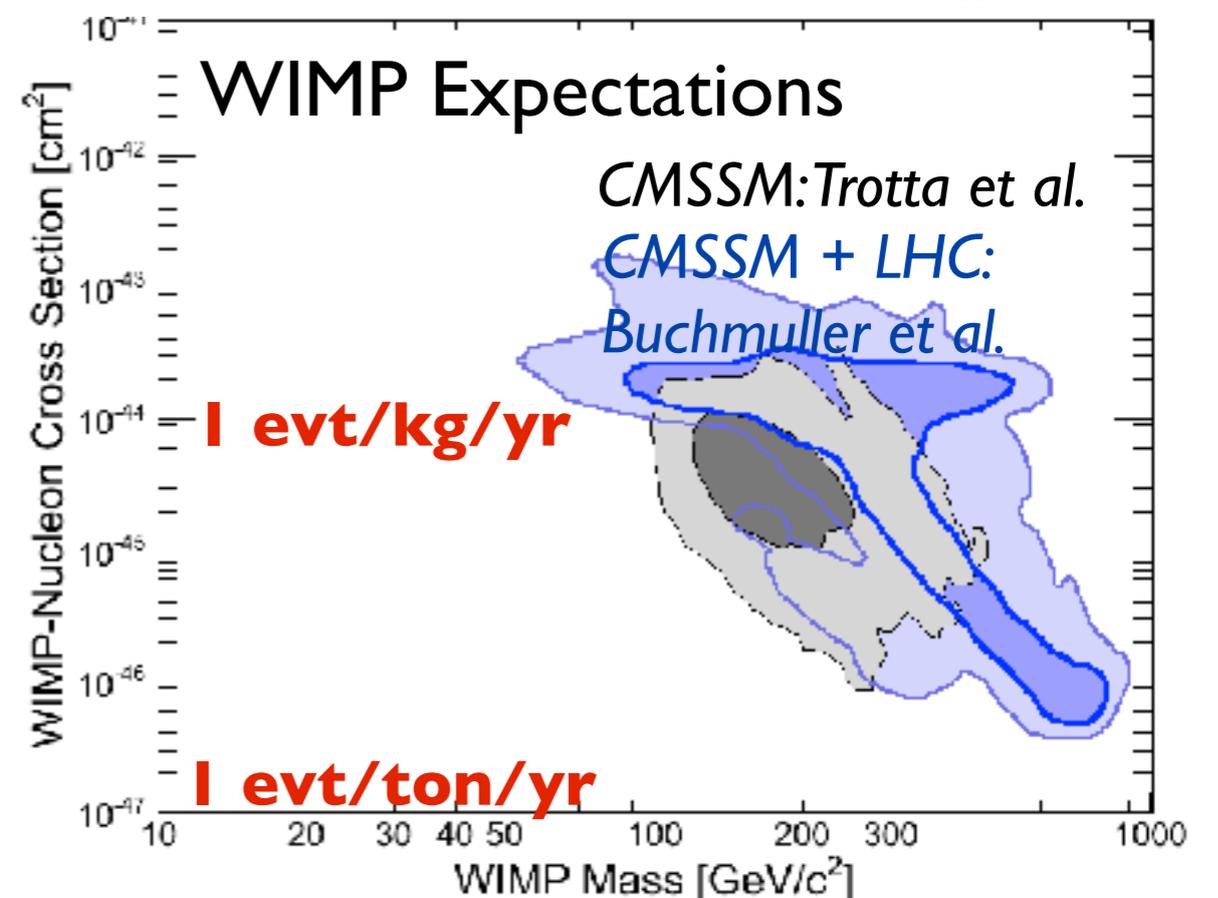
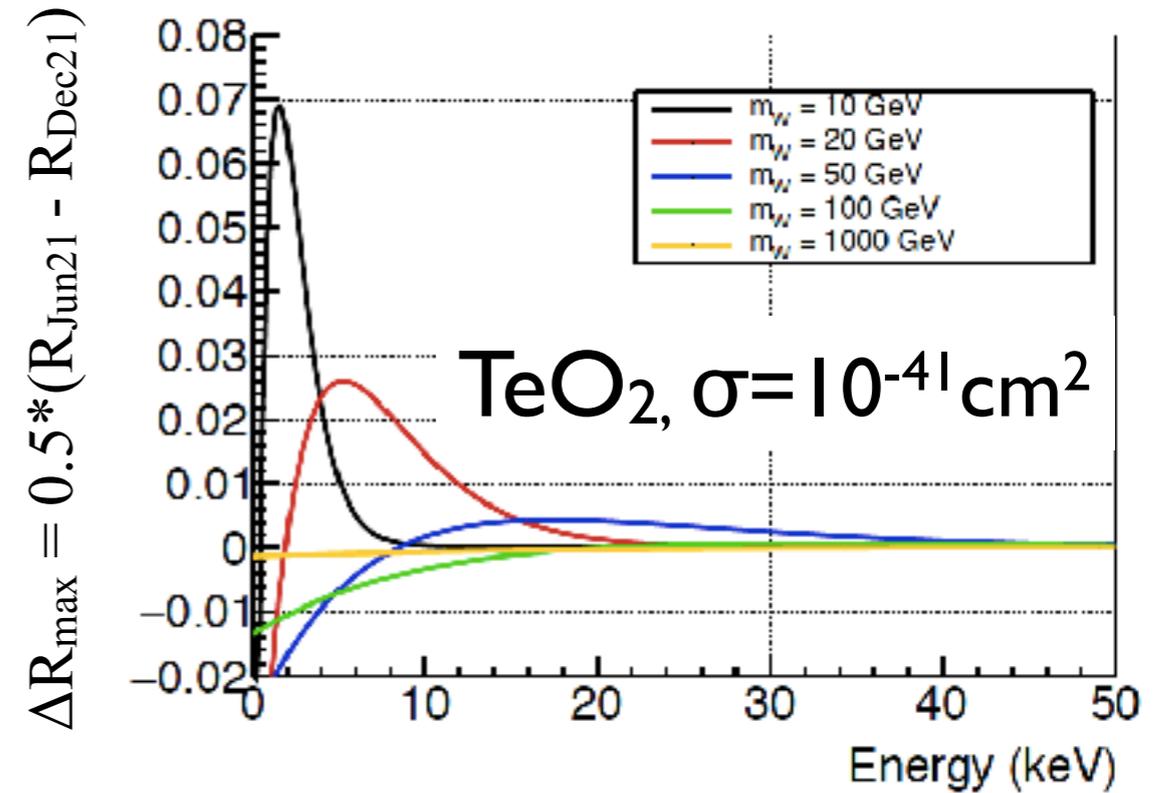
- Exponentially fall
- Annually modulate
- Tiny rate



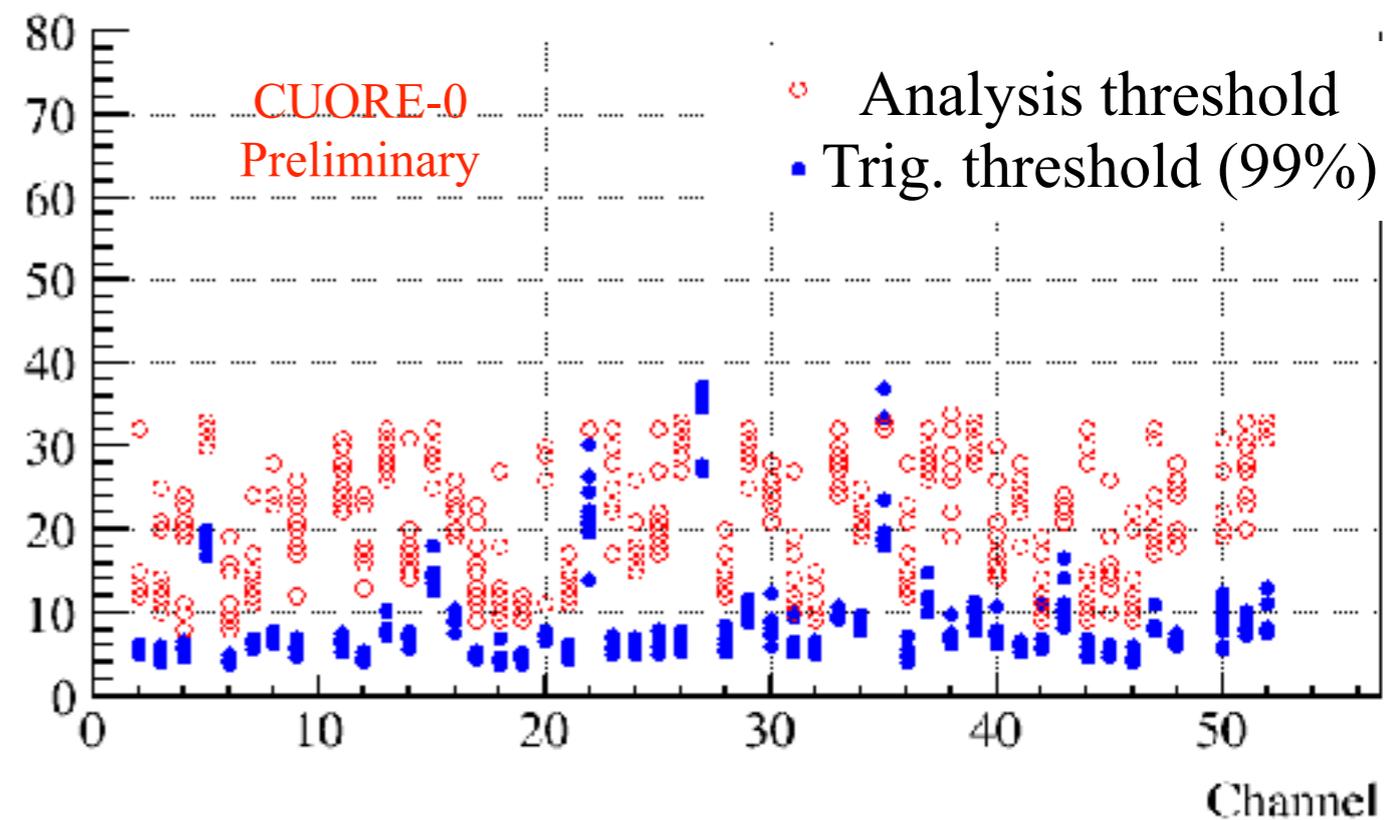
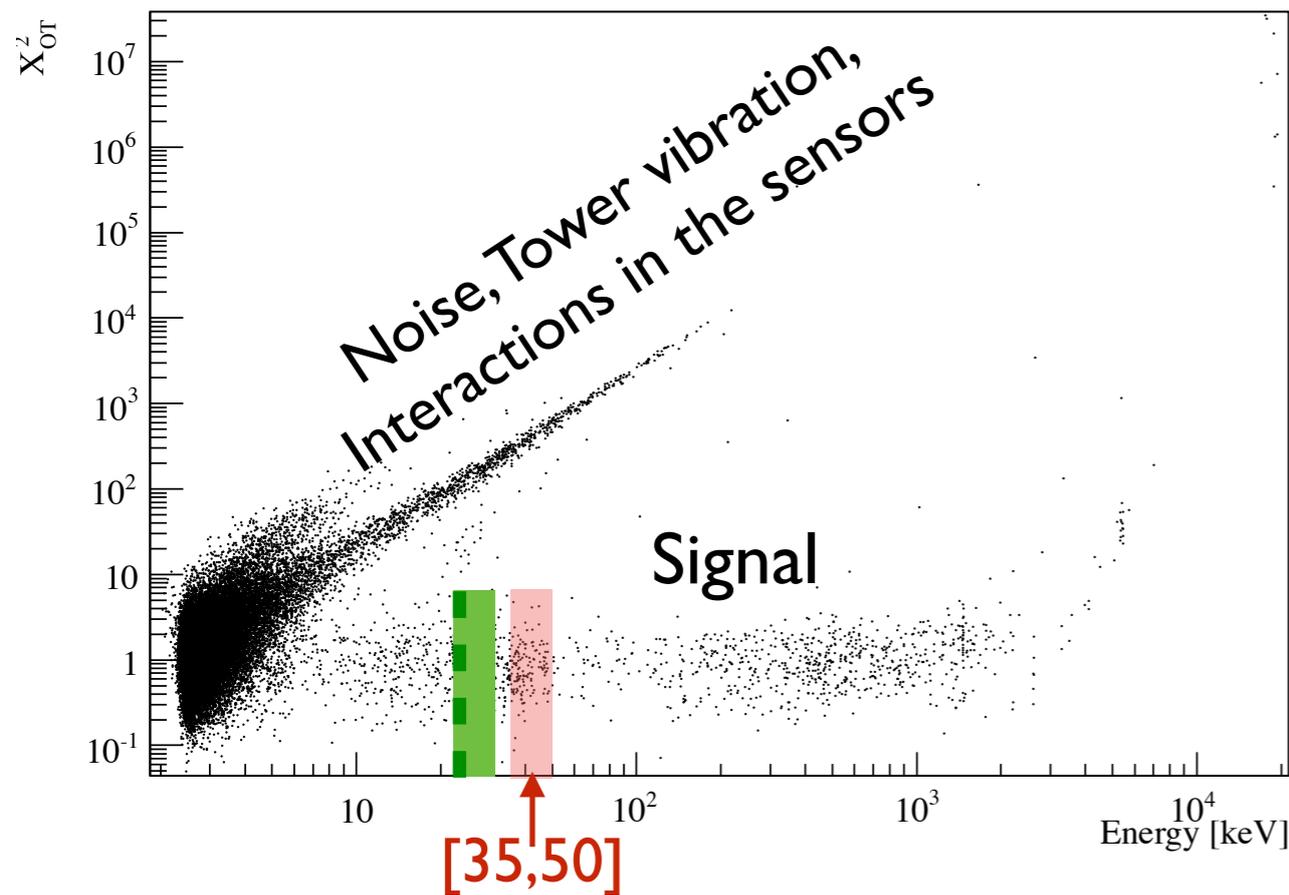
Detector Requirements



- Low energy threshold
- Stable detector operation
- Low background
- Large detector mass

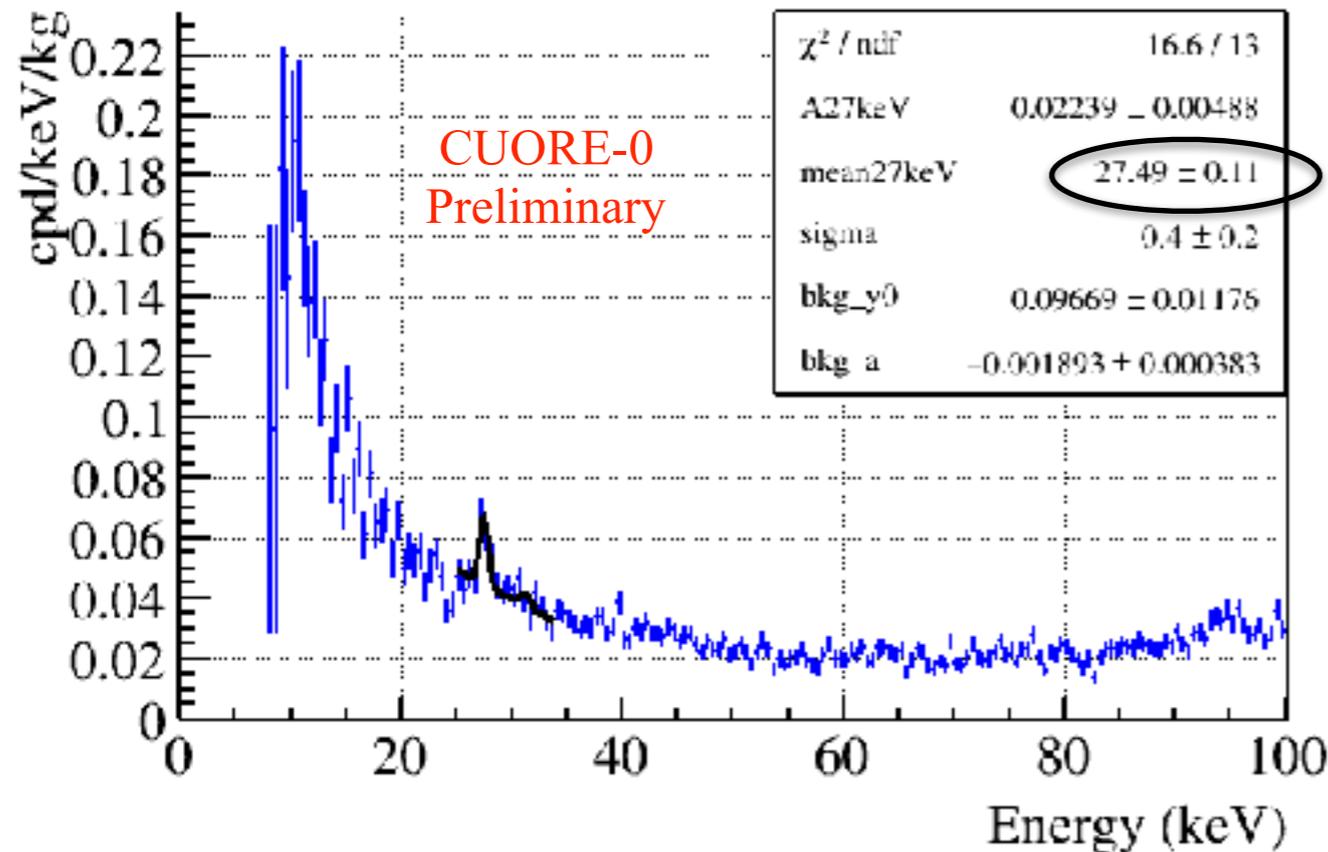


Low Energy Event Selection



- Use a pulse shape parameter (built upon χ^2 of a pulse with respect to an ideal pulse, χ^2_{OT}) to select legitimate signal candidates against non-physical events
- Energy thresholds for each channel-dataset (ch-ds) pairs are obtained using Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (compare y-axis projection of ■ with ■, and choose the lower edge of ■ where KS prob > 0.1)

Low Energy Calibration

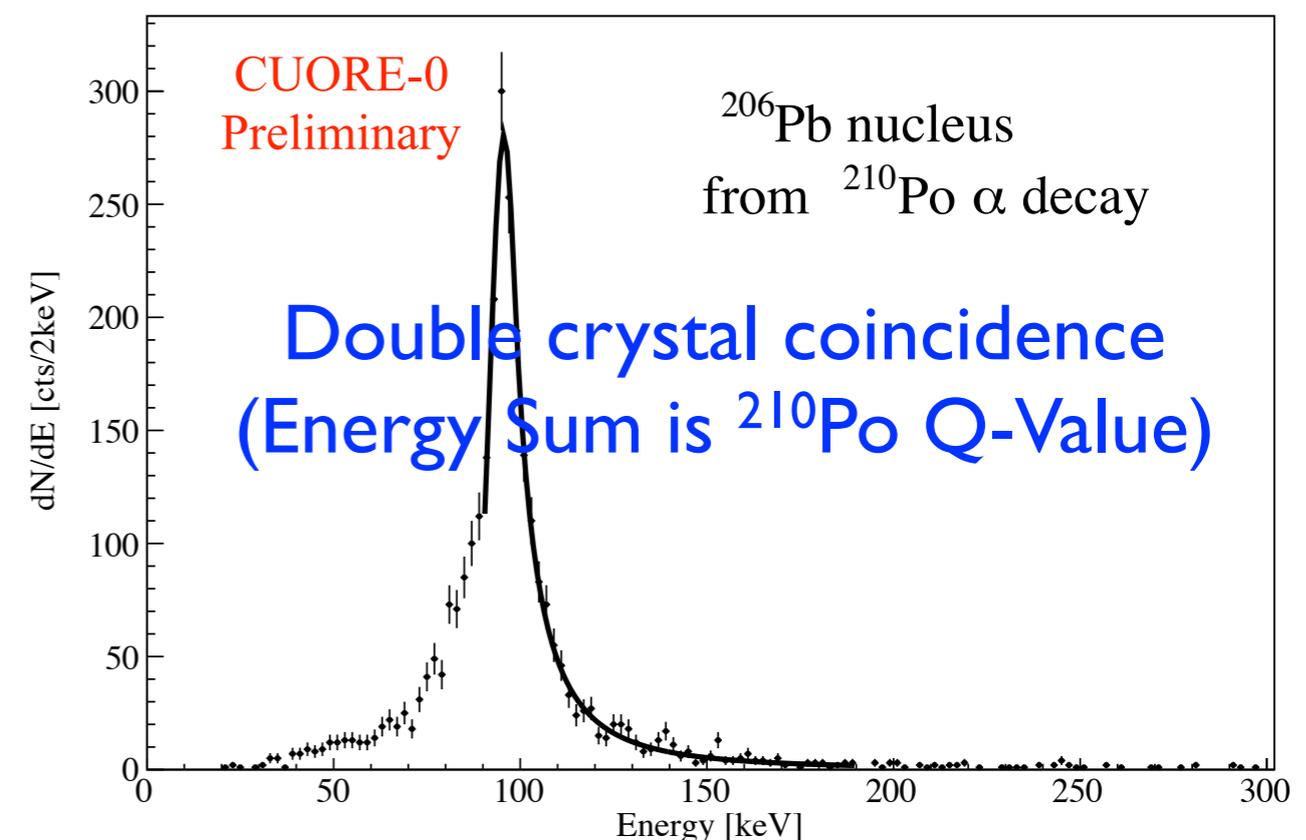
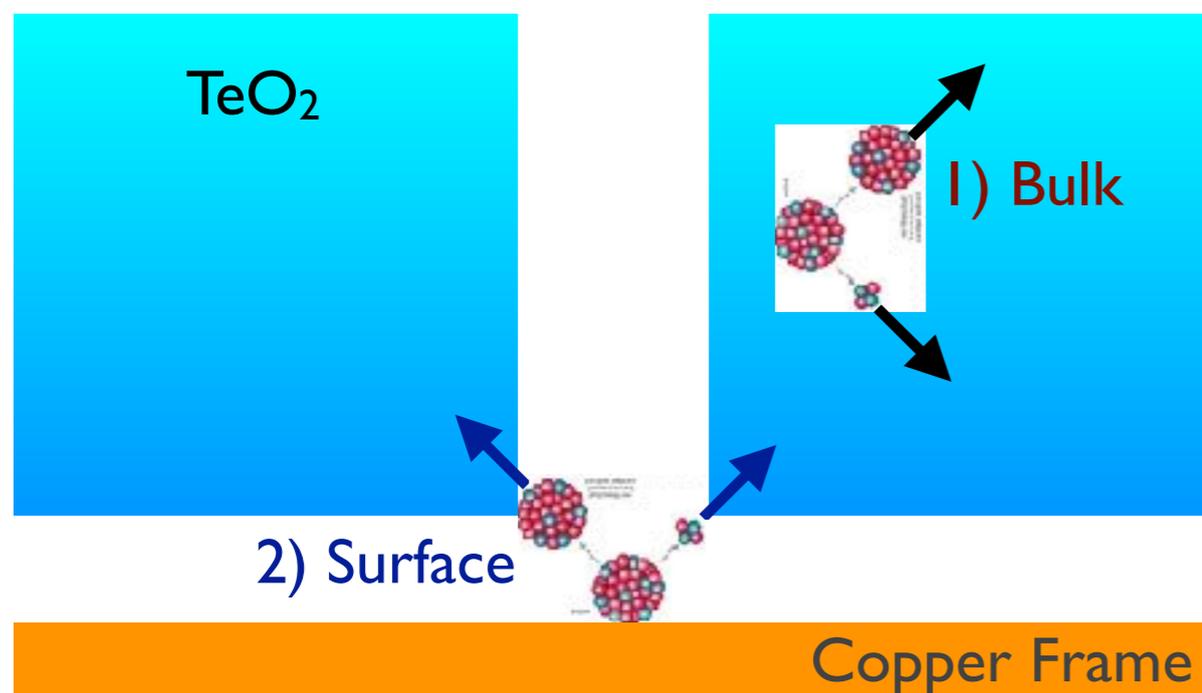


← Expected value 27.38 keV

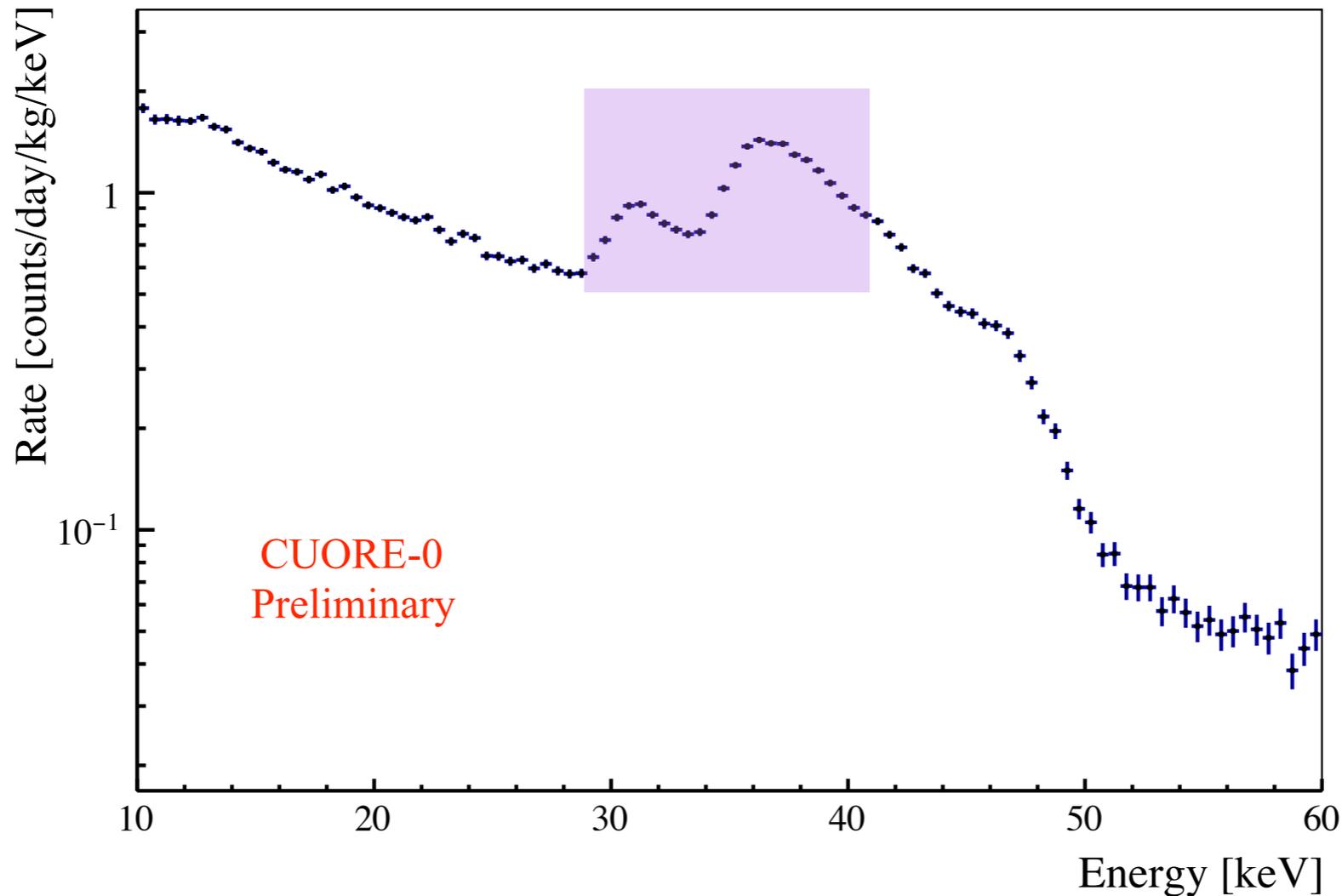
- Peak position of 27 keV X-ray from Te is firstly used to select the ch-ds pairs, as well as to evaluate uncertainty on the energy scale obtained from calibration
- For those ch-ds pairs with $E_{\text{th}} > 27$ keV selected with KS-test, their summed 40-keV peak position difference from those with 27-keV peak is evaluated to be 0.03 \pm 0.06 keV, and is integrated as a part of uncertainty on the energy scale (see slide 12)

Nuclear Recoil Quenching of TeO₂

- Nuclear quenching factor of a bolometer (read only phonon signal) is expected to be 1
- Using surface alpha events, it is possible to measure nuclear quenching of recoiling nuclei from ²¹⁰Po, ²²²Rn, ²²⁴Ra, ²¹⁸Po decays
- The largest deviation from 1 (7%, measured by ²⁰⁶Pb) is integrated as uncertainty on the energy scale

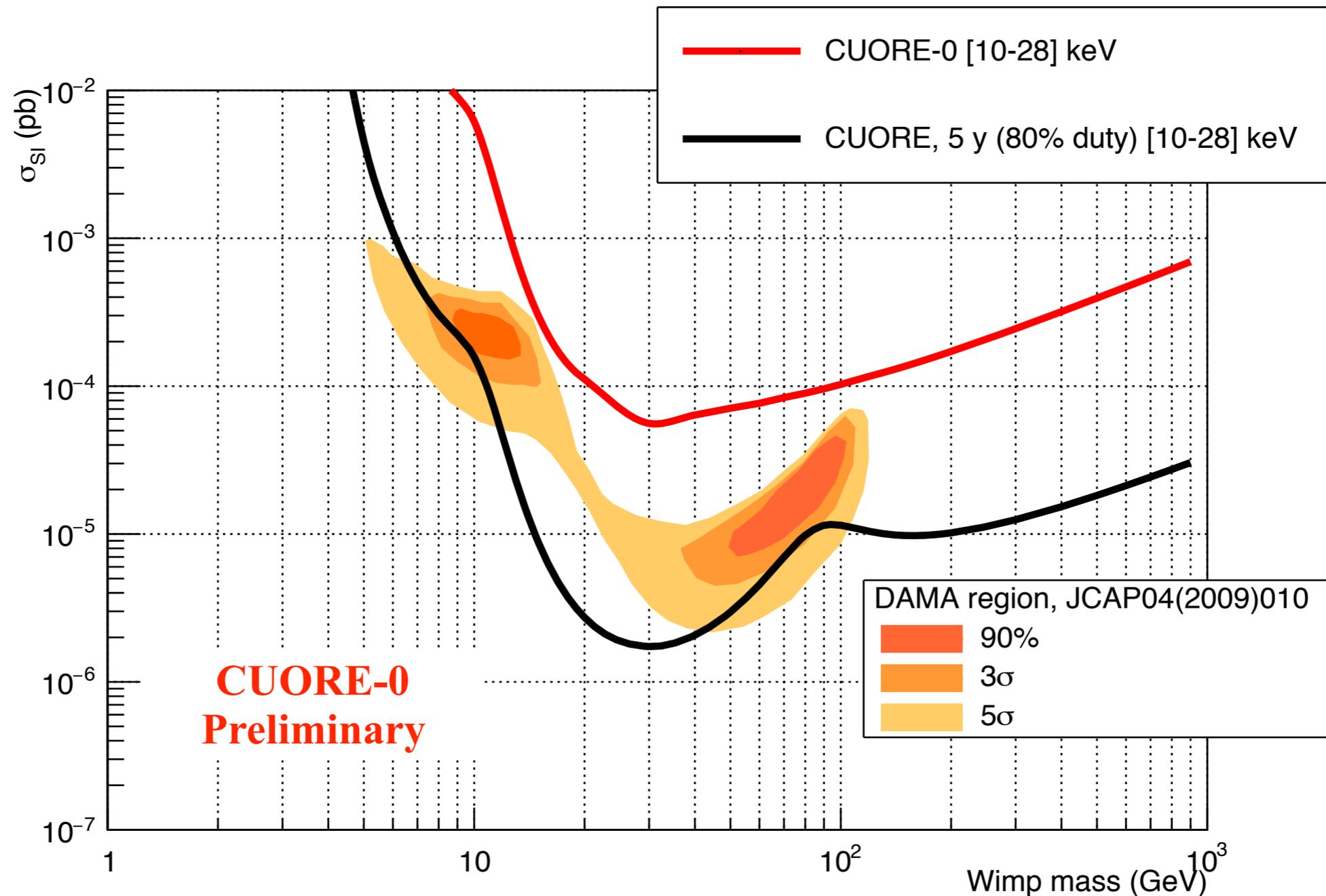


Low Energy Spectrum



- Origin of peaks around 40-keV is under investigation (most likely due to ^{210}Pb)
- Rates of these peaks are stable as a function of time

CUORE-0 and CUORE Sensitivities



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Summary

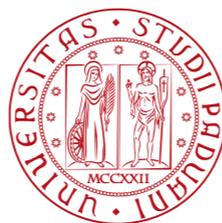


- CUORE, a competitive $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay search using 742 kg of TeO_2 crystals, is also suitable for low energy event searches thanks to its low energy event identification ability
- Nuclear recoil quenching using CUORE-0, the predecessor of CUORE, has been measured using surface alpha events
- WIMP-Induced annual modulation analysis of CUORE-0 is under finalization, and we will report dark matter results using Te as a target material with significant mass for the first time soon
- CUORE is expected to probe the DAMA WIMP observation region with 5 years of data-taking
- CUPID, beyond CUORE using particle discrimination to further suppress the background, will be a competitive dark matter search

CUORE Collaboration



(Oct. 2, 2015 @ LNGS)



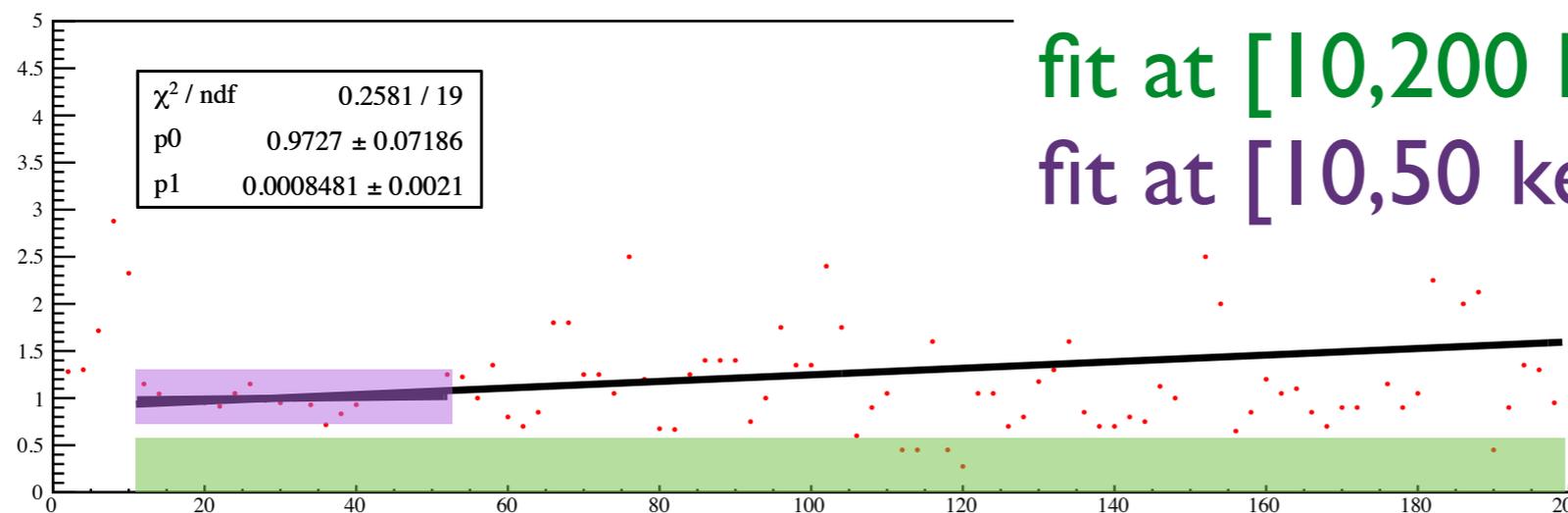
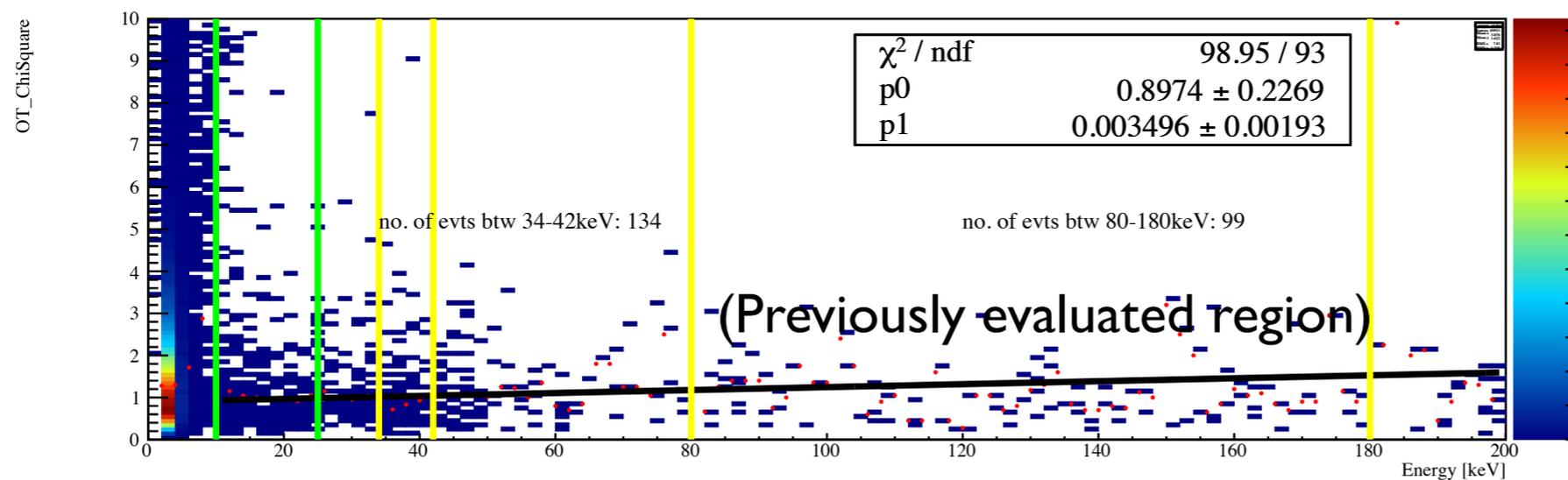
Extra Slides

χ^2_{OT} : Energy Dependence



- We evaluate the χ^2_{OT} efficiency using side band, so it is important to ensure this side bands behavior is similar at ROI
- Previously we were using 80-180 keV region to stay away from the noise but there's energy dependence on in the median value of χ^2_{OT} so we decided to move to 35-50 keV region

DS2100, Ch2



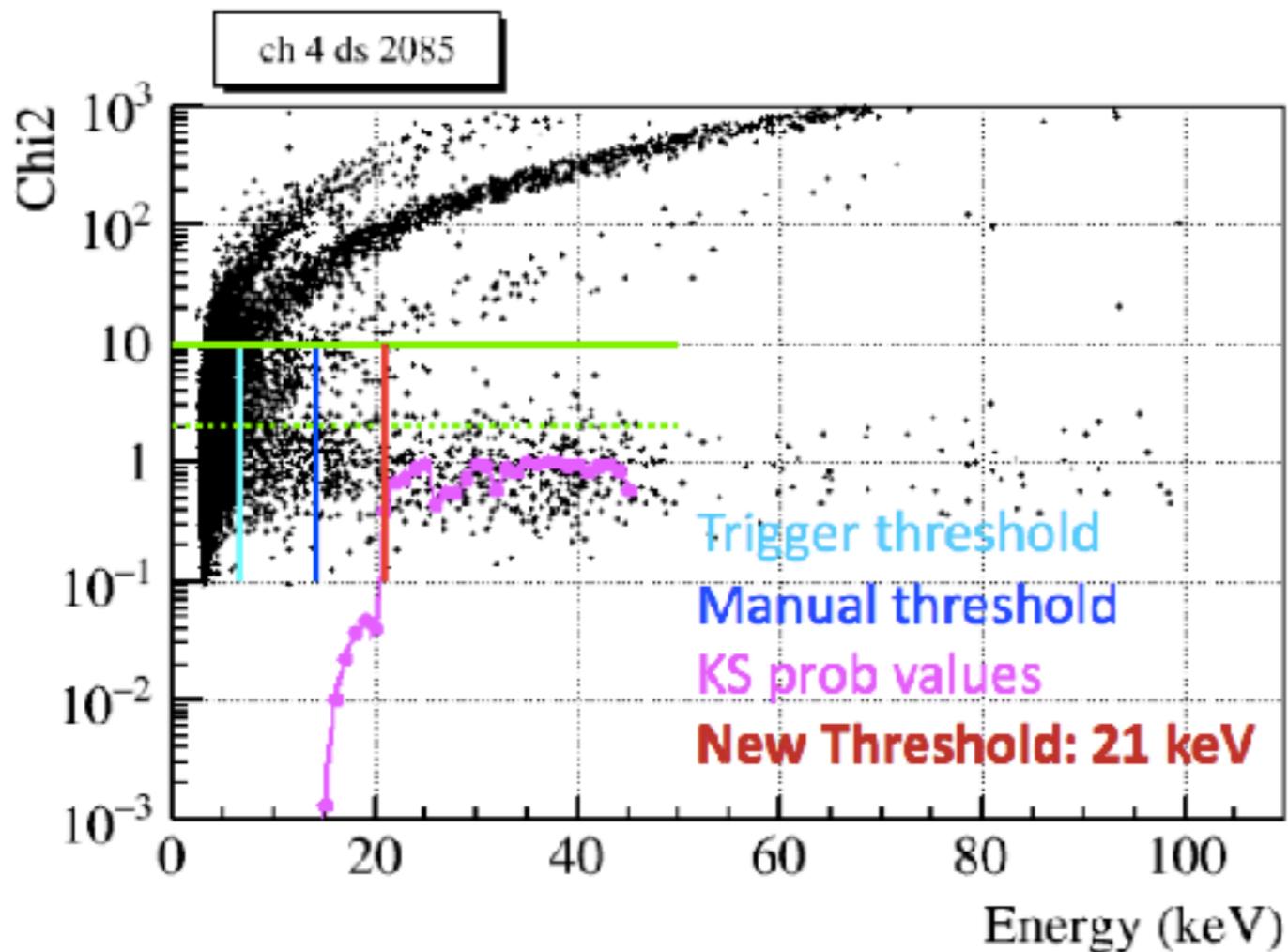
fit at [10,200 keV]: p1 0.003496

fit at [10,50 keV]: p1 0.0008481

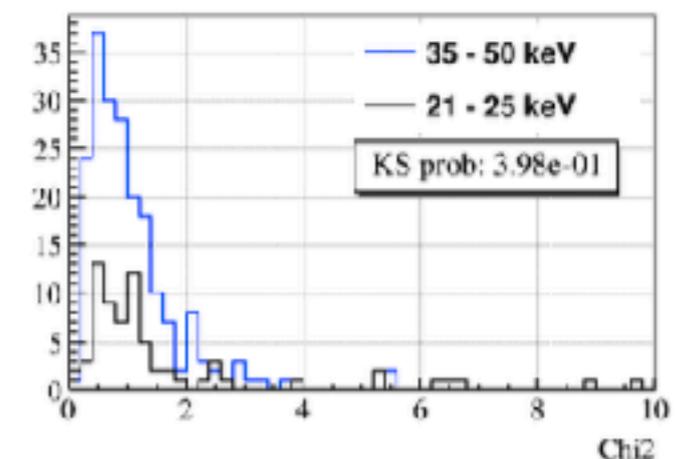
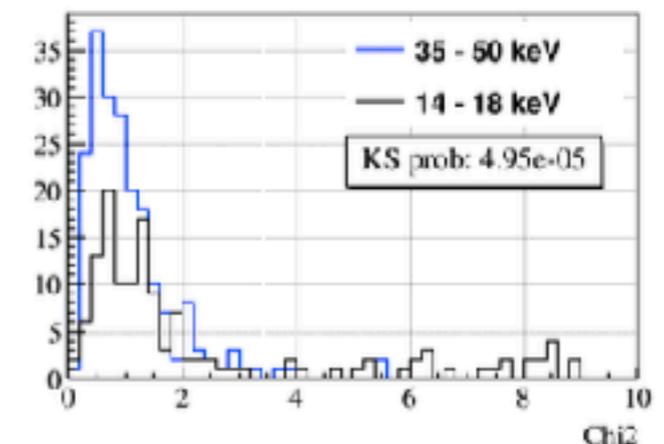
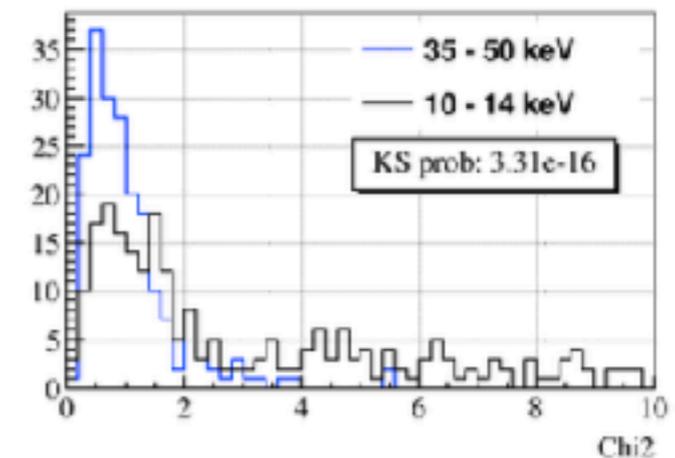
Energy Thresholds with KS Test



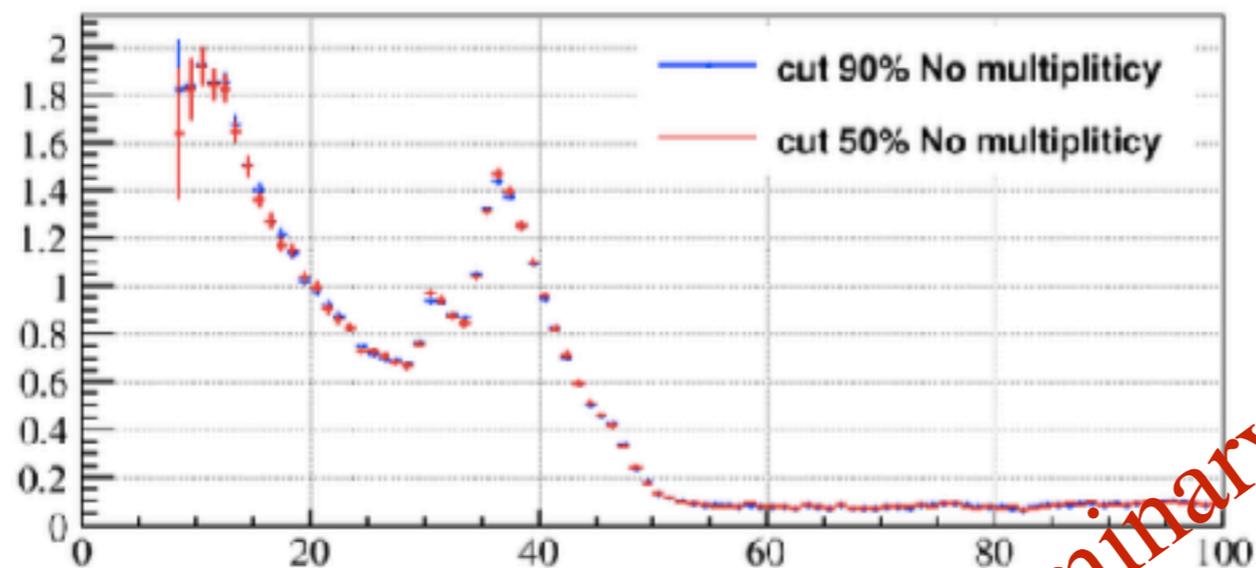
For every energy slice, compare the chi2 distribution with that of the events in 35-50 keV region and calculate the probability that both follow the same distribution by a Kolmogorov–Smirnov test
Put threshold when KS prob > 0.1



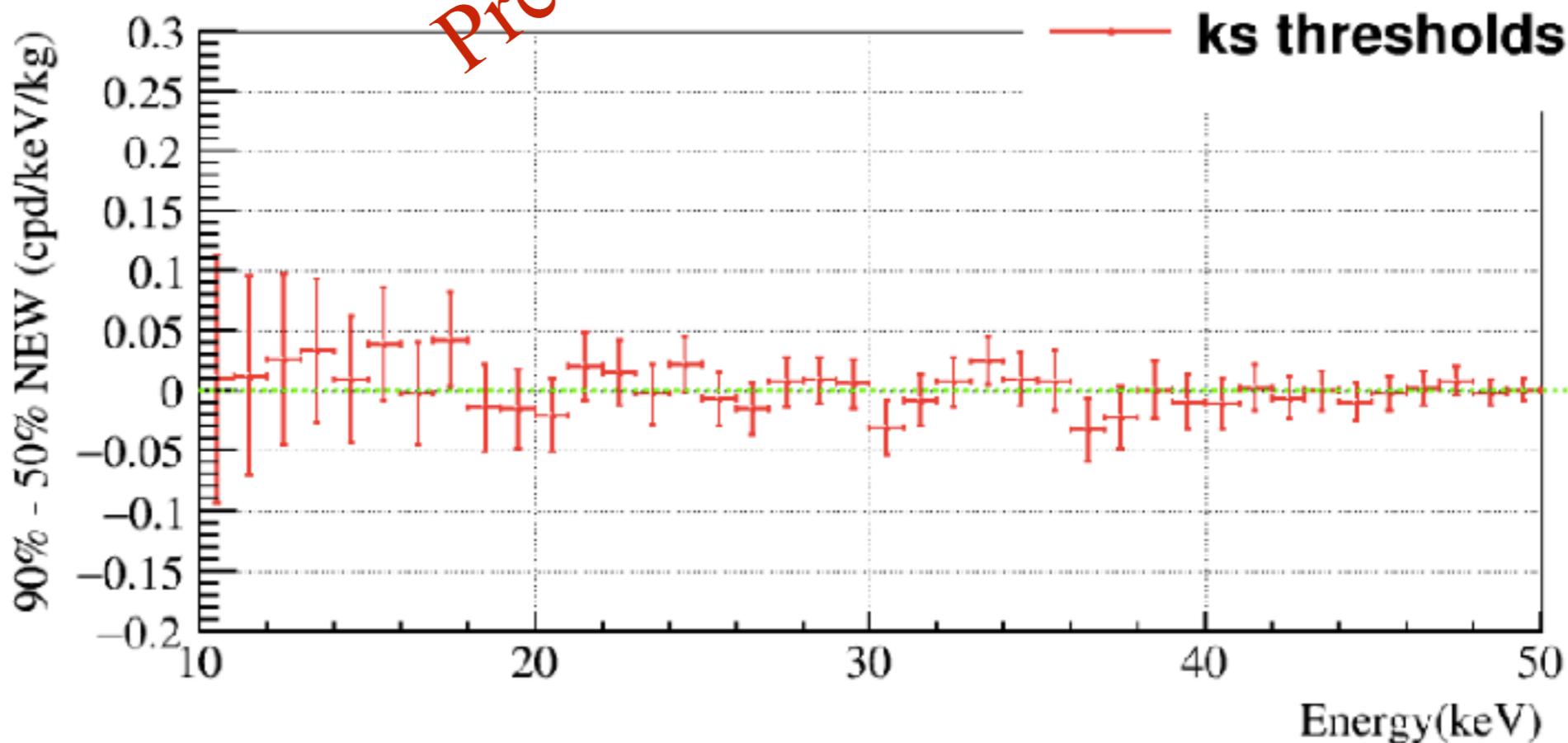
Slices energy bin: 4 keV



Residual between 90 and 50% χ^2_{OT} with KS Test



Preliminary



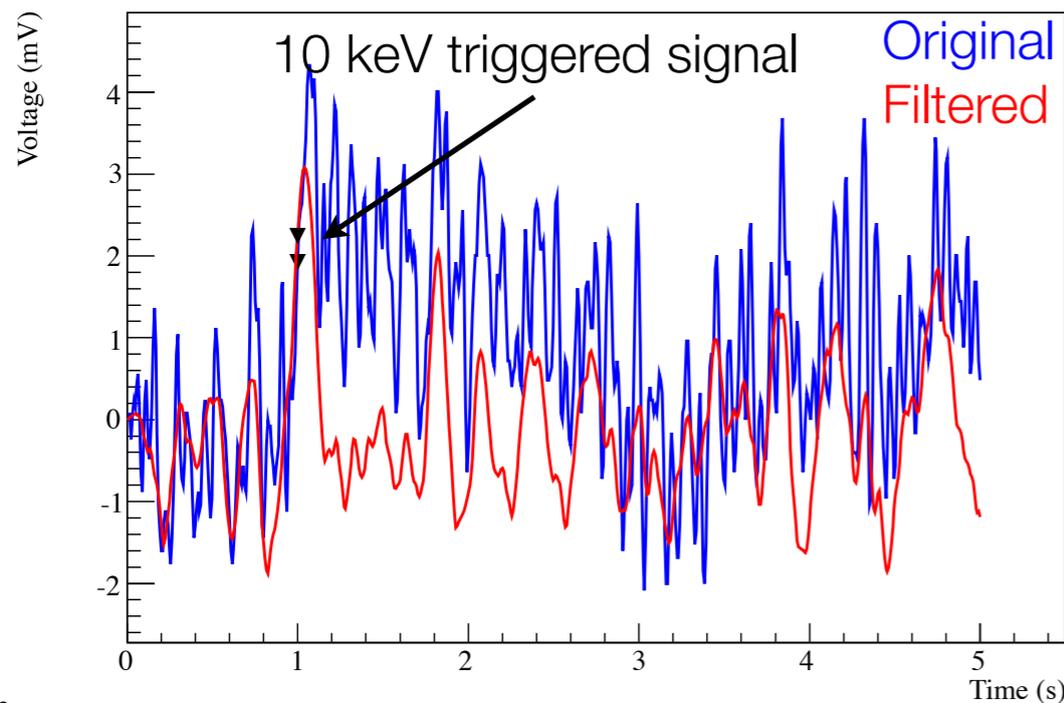
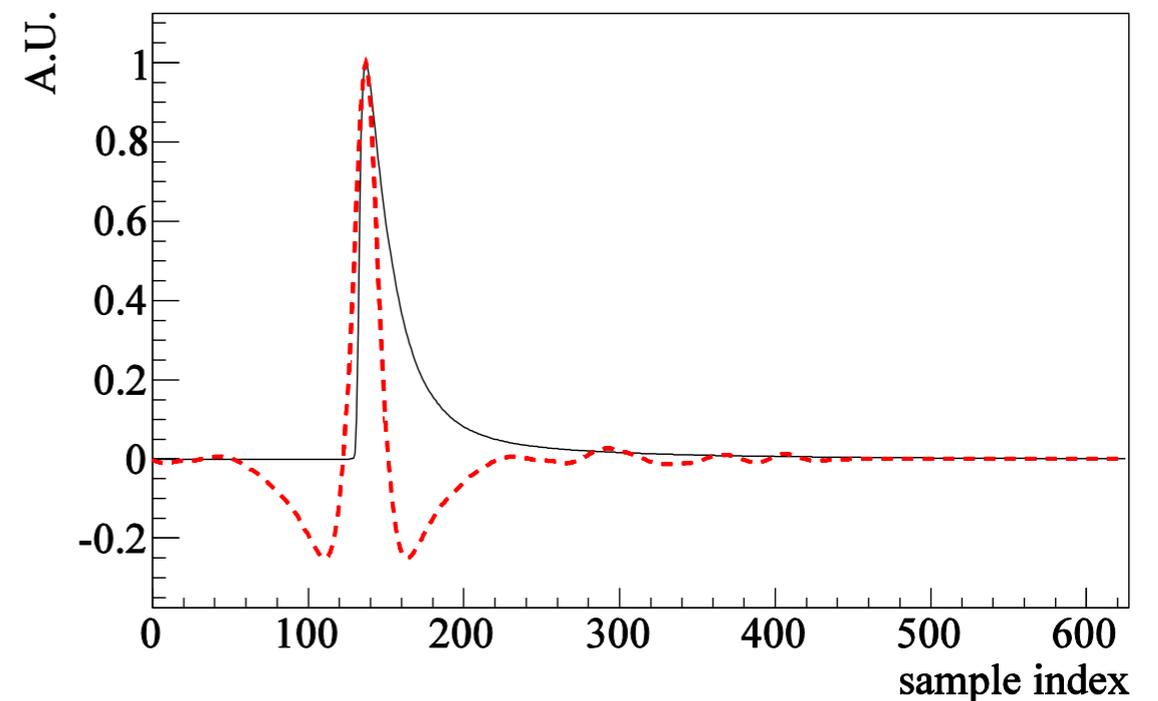
Optimum Trigger



Optimum Trigger (OT) filters data buffer with a transfer function that maximizes the SNR cutting down the noise frequencies:

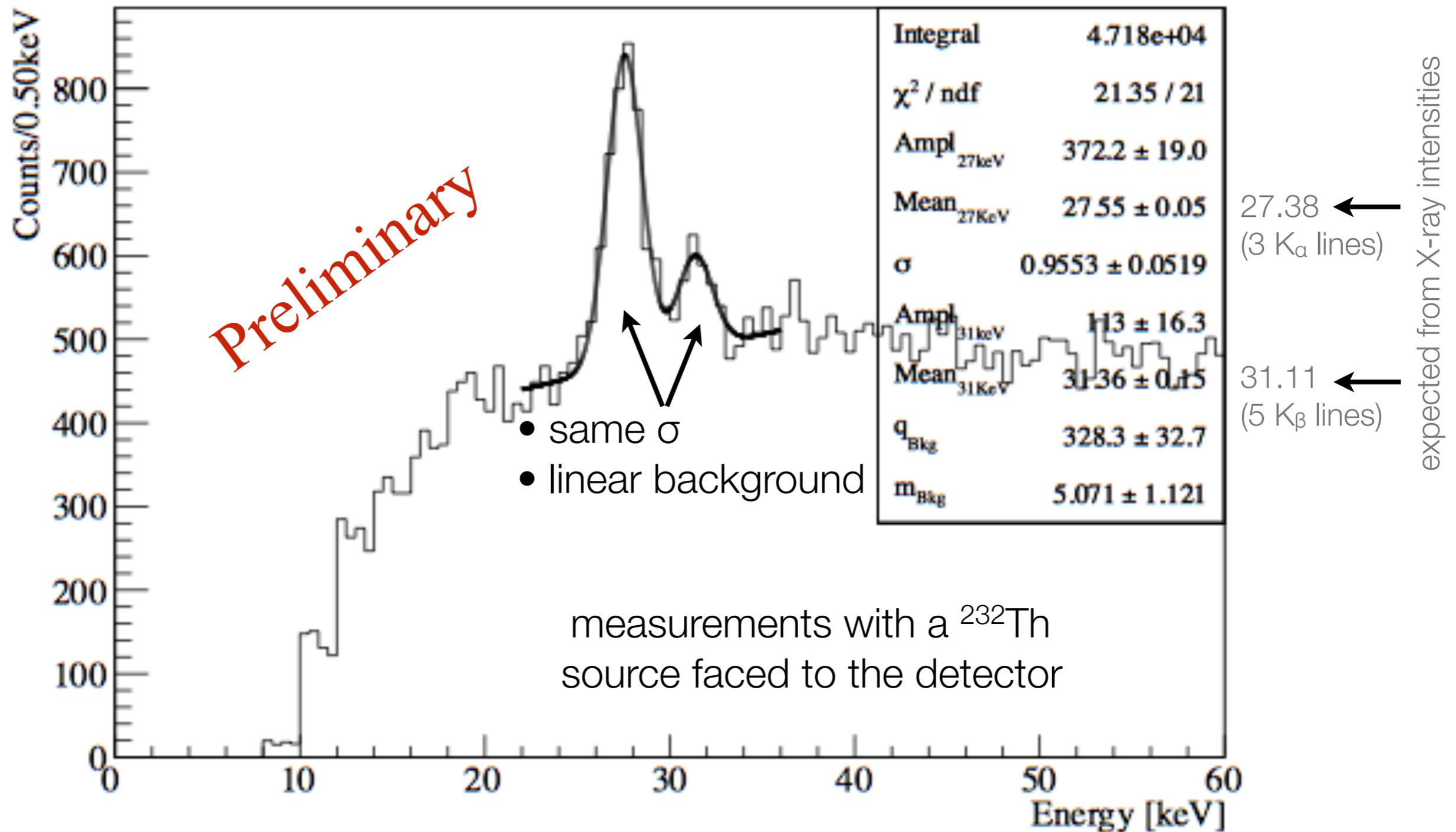
$$H(\omega) = \frac{S^*(\omega)}{N(\omega)} e^{-i\omega t_m}$$

average signal shape (from data) $\rightarrow S^*(\omega)$
 noise power spectrum (from data) $\rightarrow N(\omega)$
 filter delay $\rightarrow t_m$

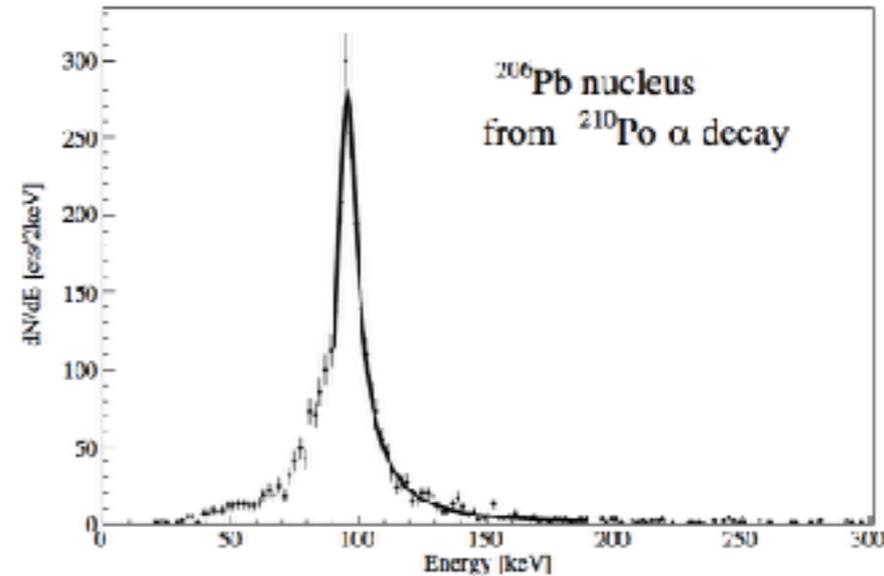
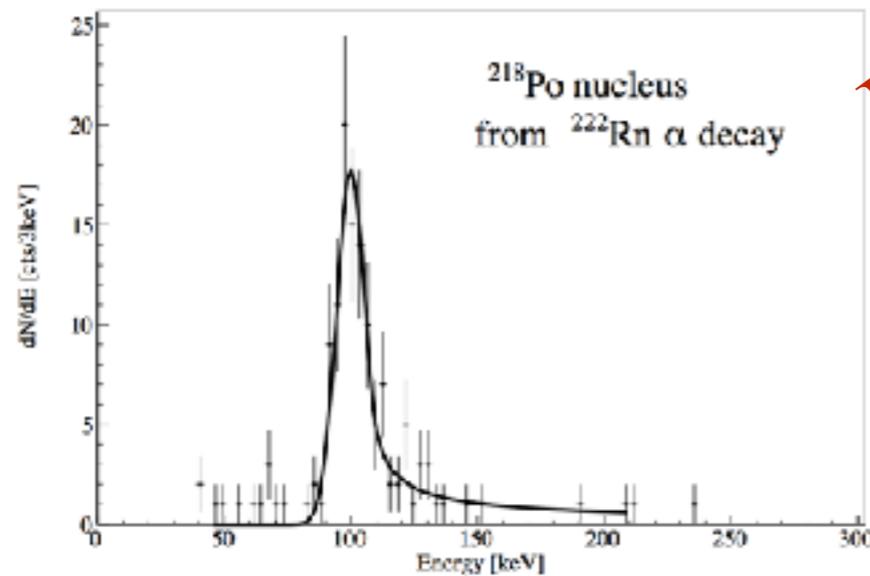
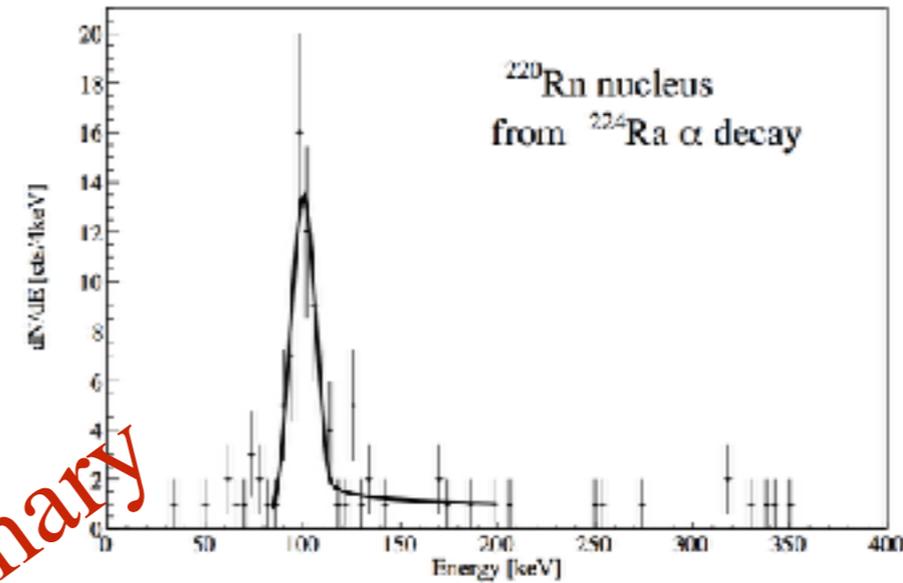
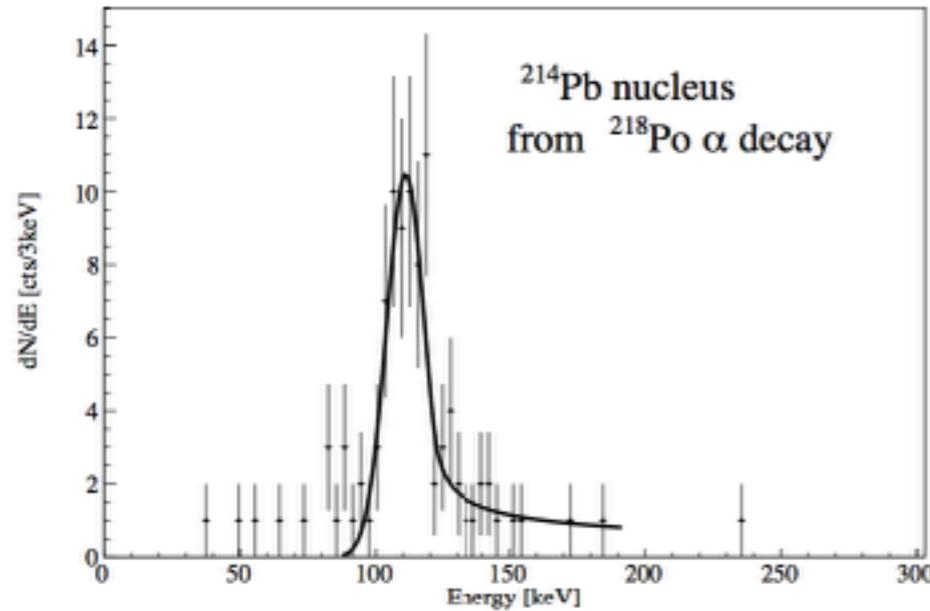


- filtered pulses are less noisy
- lower threshold achievable with respect to the standard trigger

27 keV Peak : Calibration Data



Nuclear Quenching Factor of TeO₂

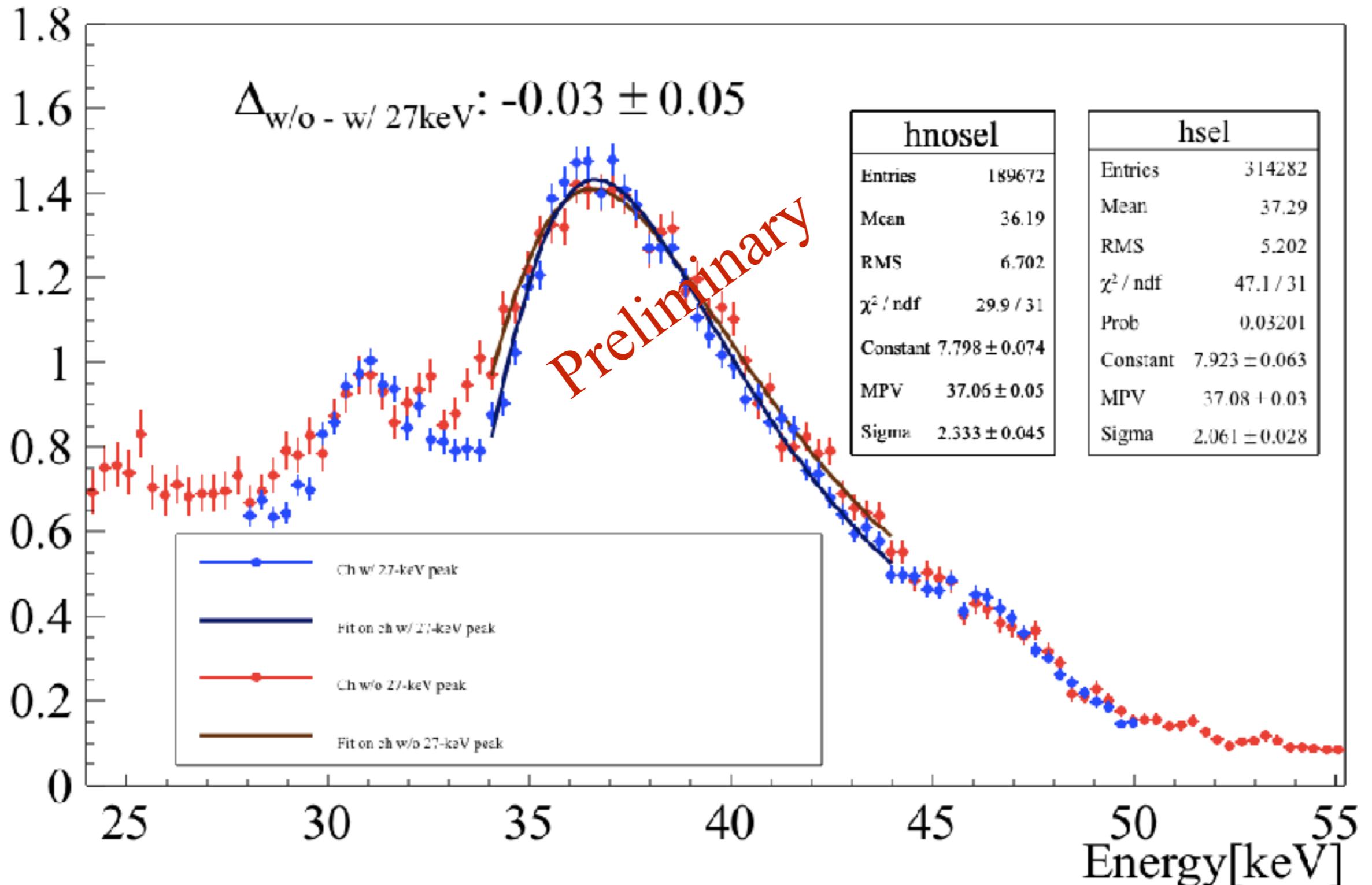


Preliminary

TABLE II: Obtained quenching factors for the selected nuclei

Daughter Nuclei	Fit Range	Expected Energy	Measured Energy	Quenching factor
²⁰⁶ Pb	[90,180]	103.12	95.62 ± 0.24	0.927 ± 0.002
²¹⁸ Po	[45,210]	100.8	100.0 ± 0.9	0.992 ± 0.009
²²⁰ Rn	[84,200]	103.50	100.45 ± 1.21	0.971 ± 0.012
²¹⁴ Pb	[87,192]	112.13	110.92 ± 0.96	0.989 ± 0.009

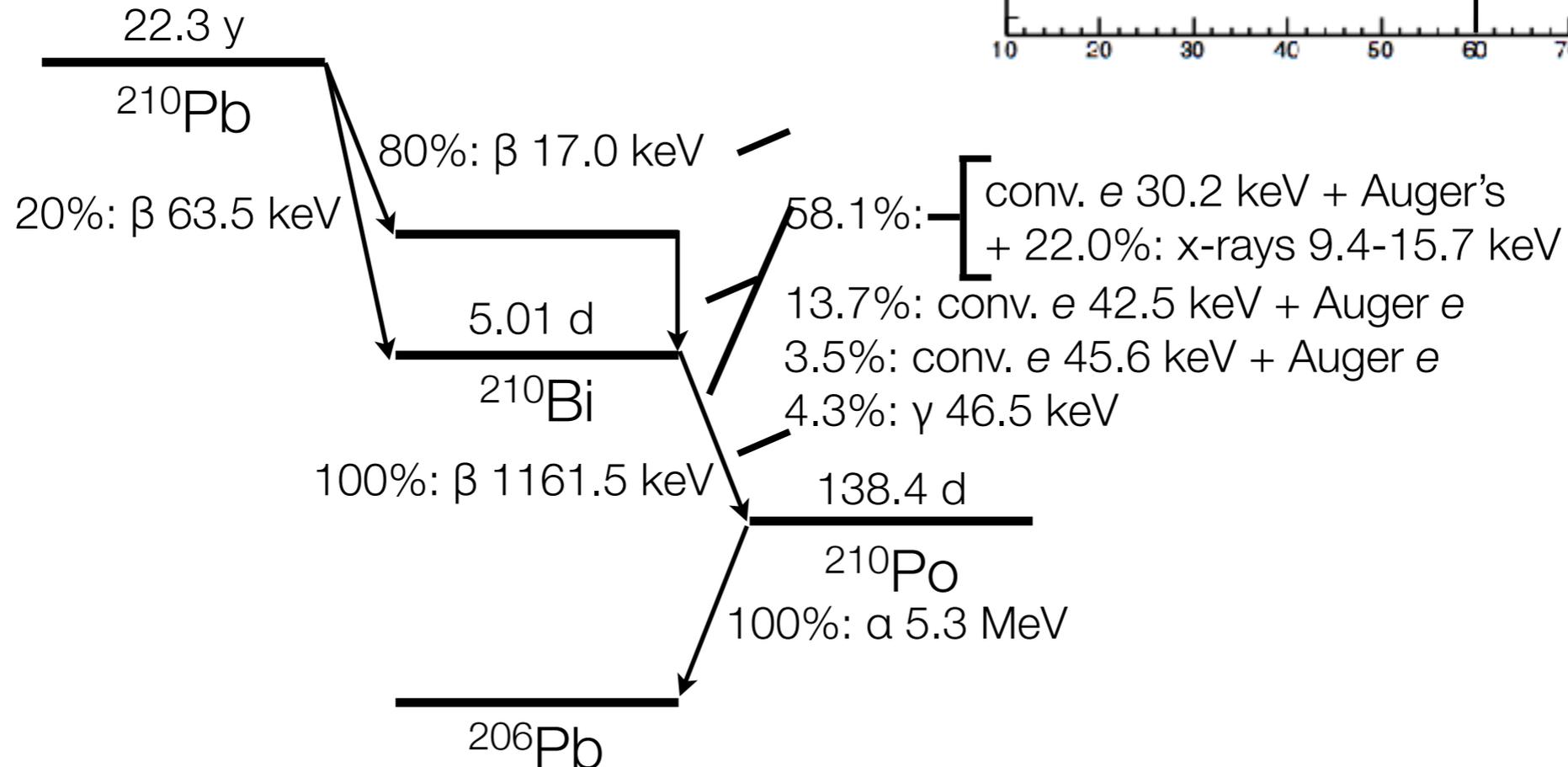
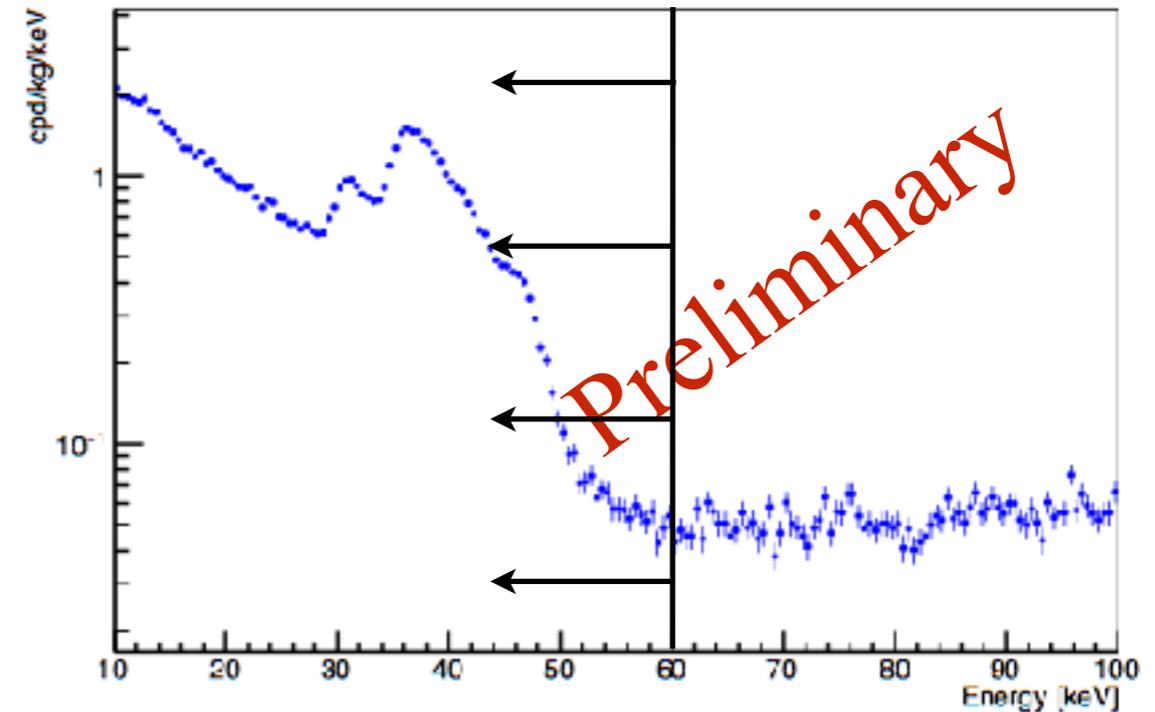
40-keV Peak Difference



Possible Origin of Peaks Below 60 keV



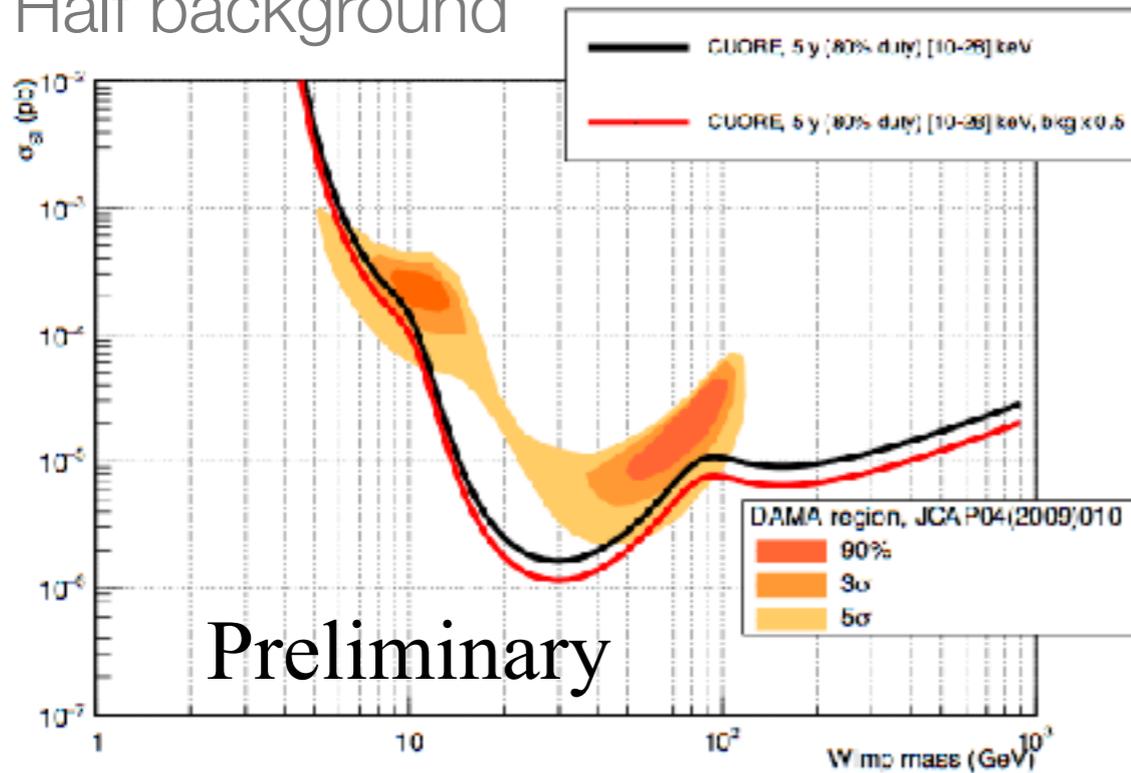
Possible explanation of the bumps and of the rise below 60 keV in the energy spectrum: inclusions of ^{210}Pb in the materials facing the crystals or in the crystals themselves



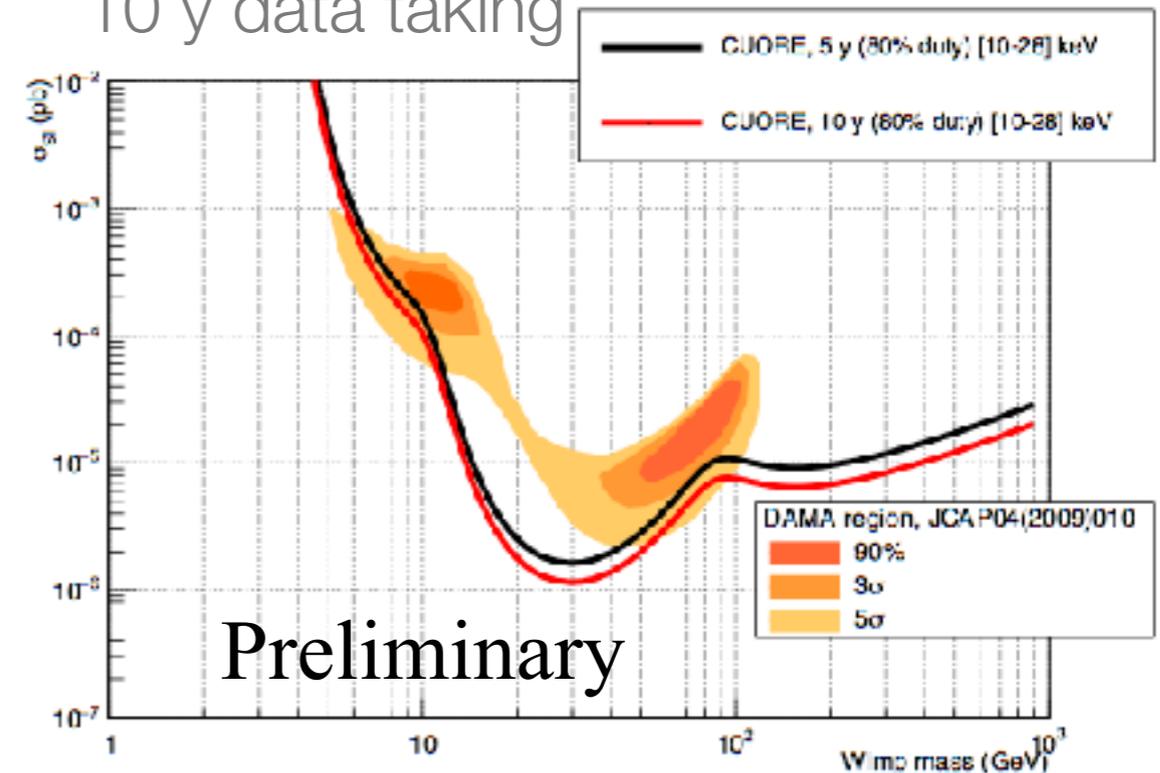
Robustness of the CUORE Sensitivity



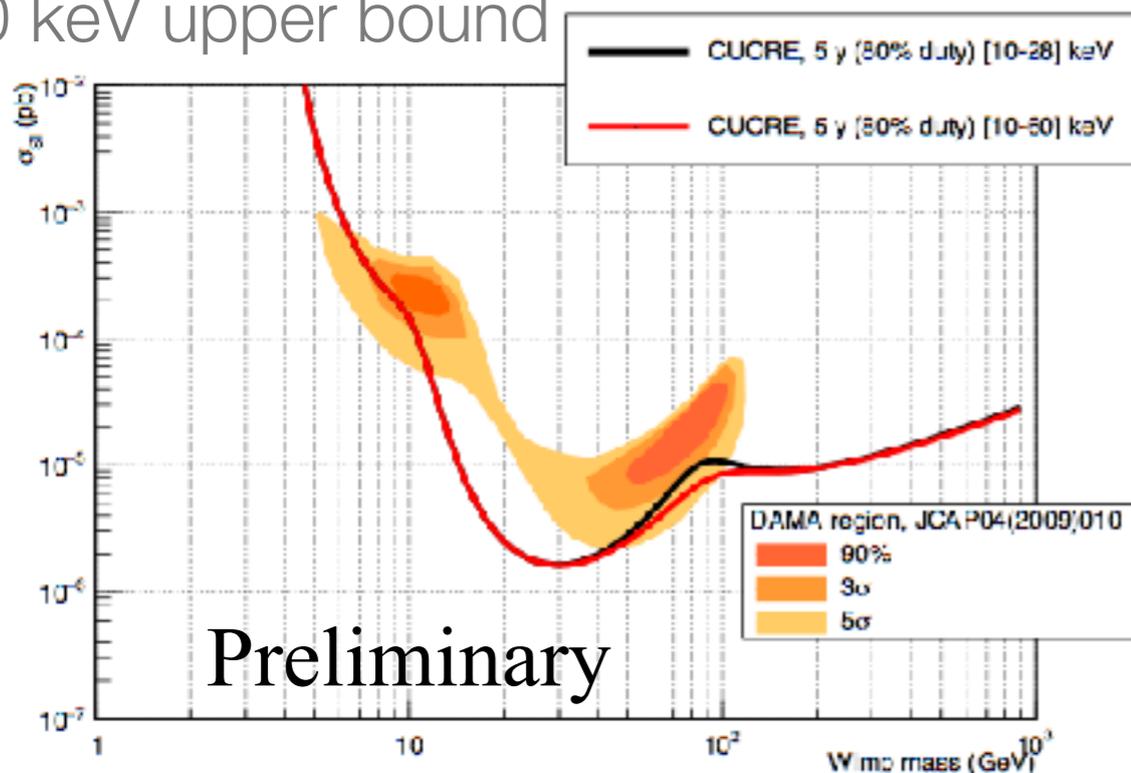
Half background



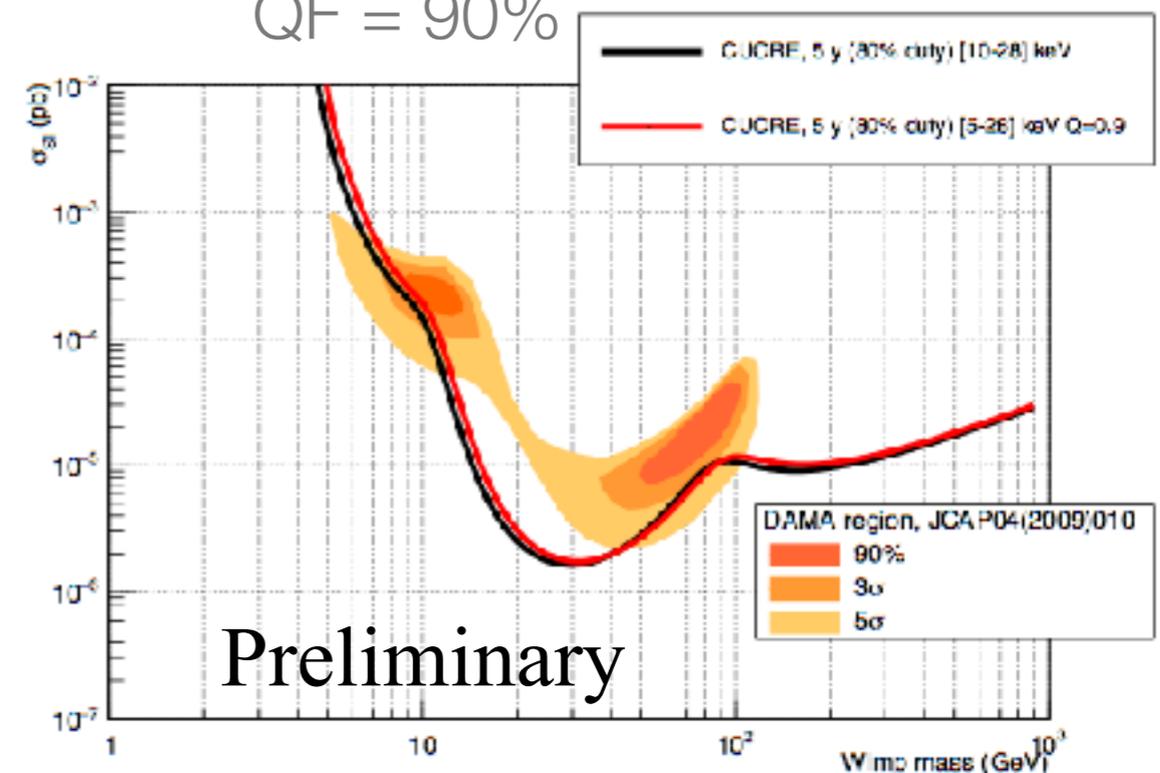
10 y data taking



60 keV upper bound



QF = 90%



X-rays from Te for Low Energy Calibration



Origin	Energy [keV]	Intensity per 100 vacancies in the K-shell [%]
$K_{\alpha 3}$	26.875	0.00202
$K_{\alpha 2}$	27.202	25.3
$K_{\alpha 1}$	27.472	47.1
$K_{\beta 3}$	30.944	4.25
$K_{\beta 1}$	30.995	8.19
$K_{\beta 5}$	31.237	0.075
$K_{\beta 2}$	31.704	2.37
$K_{\beta 4}$	31.774	0.363

Energies and intensity of K-lines originated from Te around 27 keV and 31 keV from <http://nucleardata.nuclear.lu.se/toi/xray.asp?act=list&el=Te>