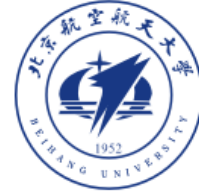




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# Solar axion and anomalous $\mu_\nu$ searches with the full PandaX-II exposure

[arXiv:2008.06485 \[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.06485)



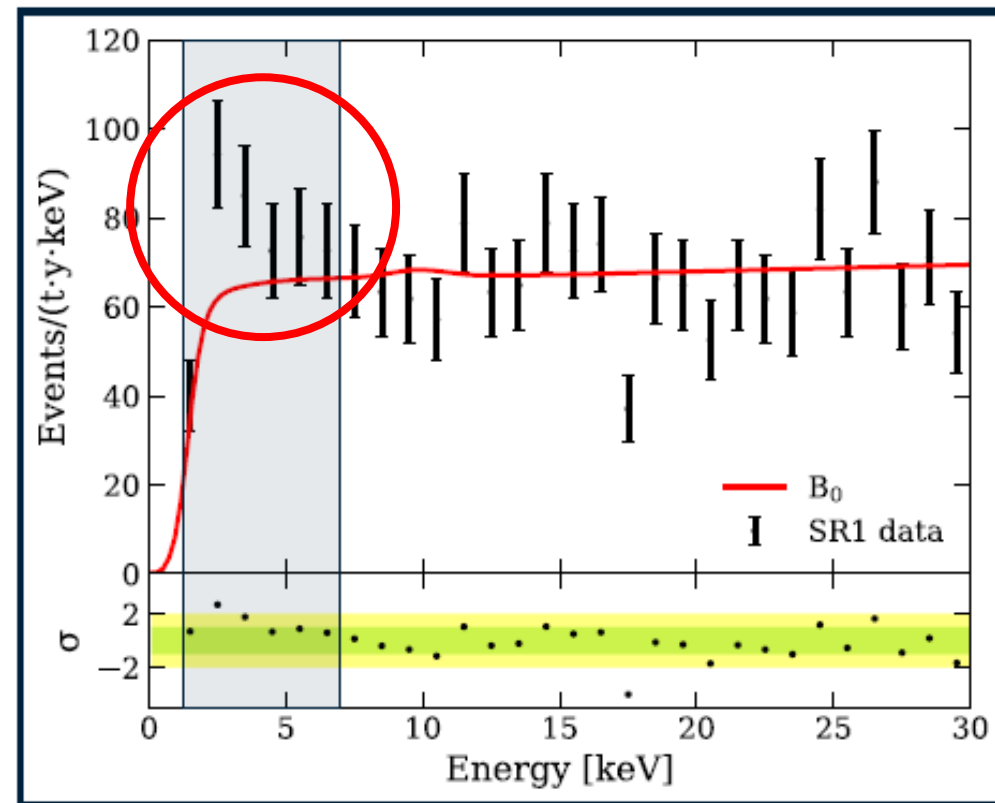
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On behalf of PandaX Collaboration



## Xenon1T's new results on Electron Recoil

arXiv: 2006.09721



A excess was reported in low energy ER spectrum using 0.65 ton year exposure!



# Axion



## Strong CP conserve V.S. quantum chromodynamics

QCD was predict to break CP-symmetry

nEDM measurement say  
“no violation”

## A plausible solution for strong CP problem (1977,Peccei & Quinn)

Introducing a new U(1)  
symmetry

Phys. Rev. Lett. 1977-06: 1440 – 1443.

## Axion (1978, Wilczek & Weinberg)

U(1) broken to generate a new Nambu – Goldstone bosons  
named after a laundry detergent (Wilczek, 2004 Nobel Lecture )

Phys. Rev. Lett. 1978-01: 223 – 226.  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 1978-01: 279 – 282.

## Invisible axion DM candidate

PQWW axion excluded in reactor and beam-dump experiments

Physical Review D, 1978, 18(5): 1607.

new models and  
detection methods  
proposed

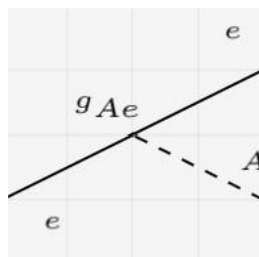
Phys. Rev. Lett. 1979-07: 103 – 107.  
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Sov. J. Nucl. Phys. 1980, 31: 260.



# Solar axion

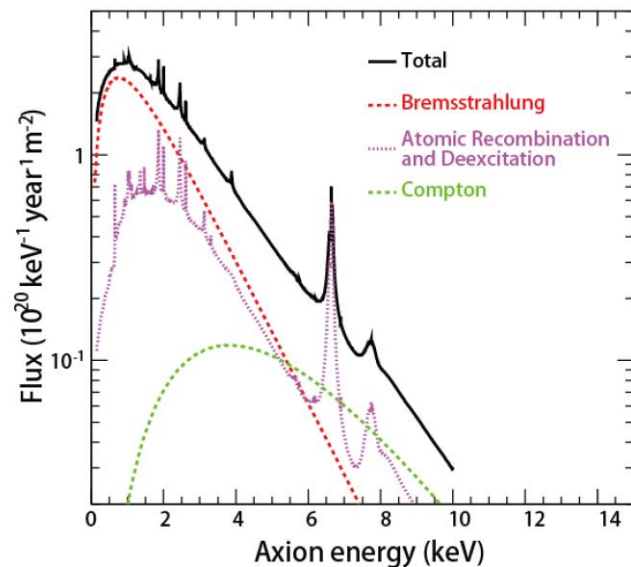


## Production



## ABC axion

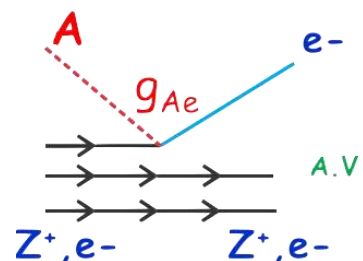
Atomic recombination and deexcitation  
Bremsstrahlung  
Compton



Assuming  $g_{Ae} = 10^{-13}$

## Detection

Axio-electric effect

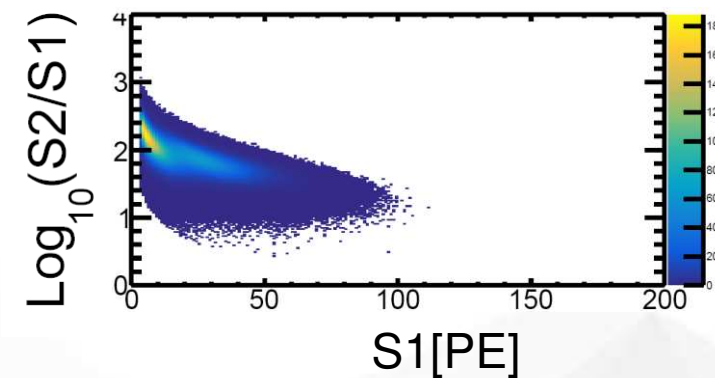
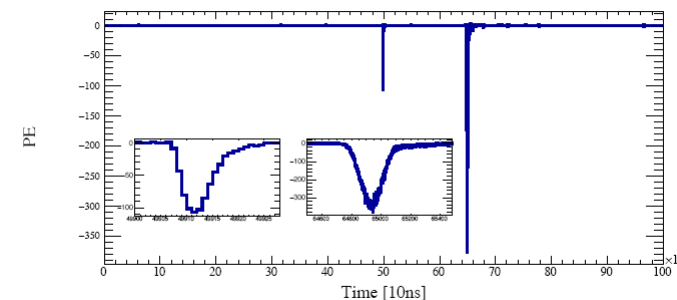


$$\sigma_{Ae}(E_A) = \sigma_{pe}(E_A) \frac{g_{Ae}^2}{\beta}$$

$$\frac{3E_A^2}{16\pi\alpha m_e^2} \left(1 - \frac{\beta^{2/3}}{3}\right)$$

## Signal

Typical ER signal in PandaX-II





## PandaX-II Data Sets



**2015.11** start with commissioning Run8

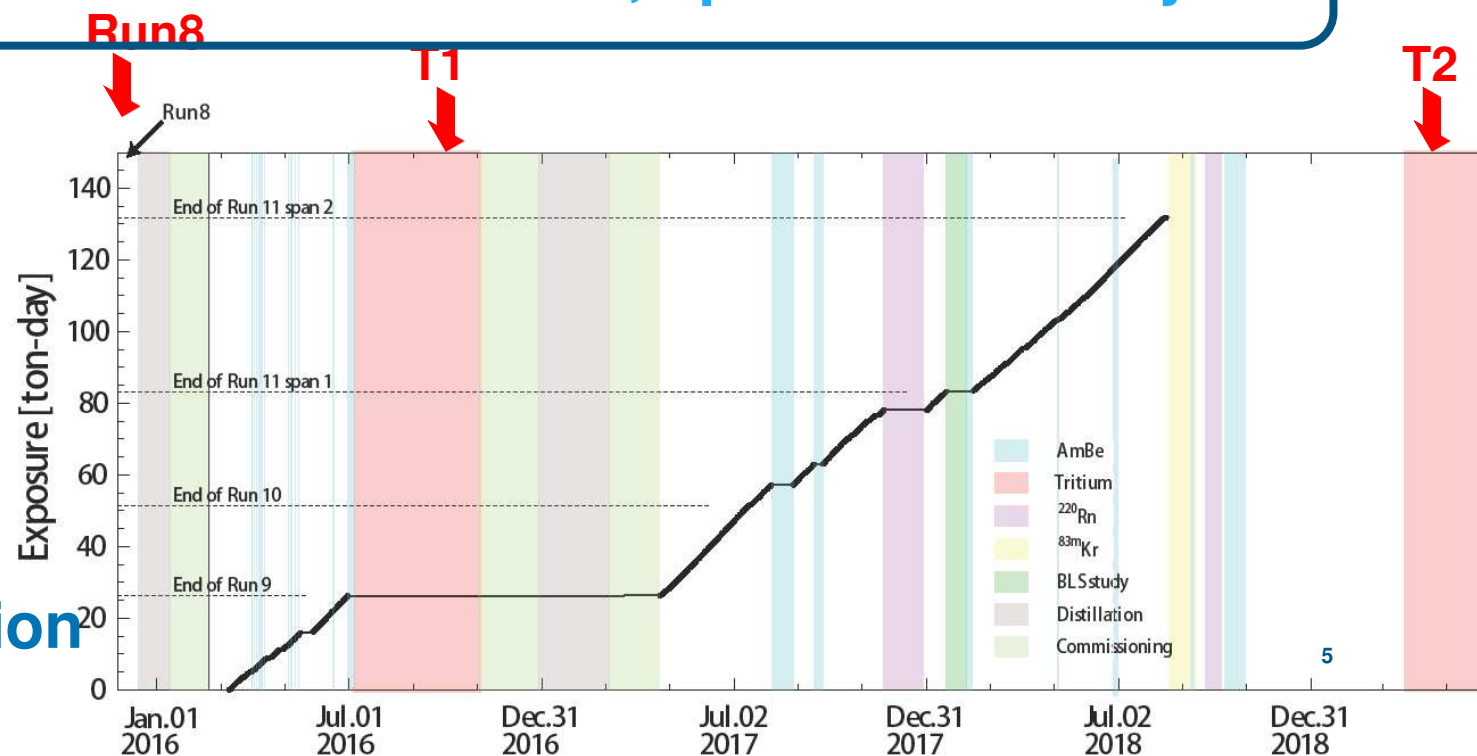
**2019.06** “End-of-Run” completed

- Run 9: 79.6 days (published)
- Run 10: 77.1 days (published)
- Run 11, span 1: 96.4 days
- Run 11, span 2: 147.9 days

### Full data analysis

(same with WIMP search)

- New position reconstruction
- New detector response model
- Improved background evaluation







## PandaX-II Data selection



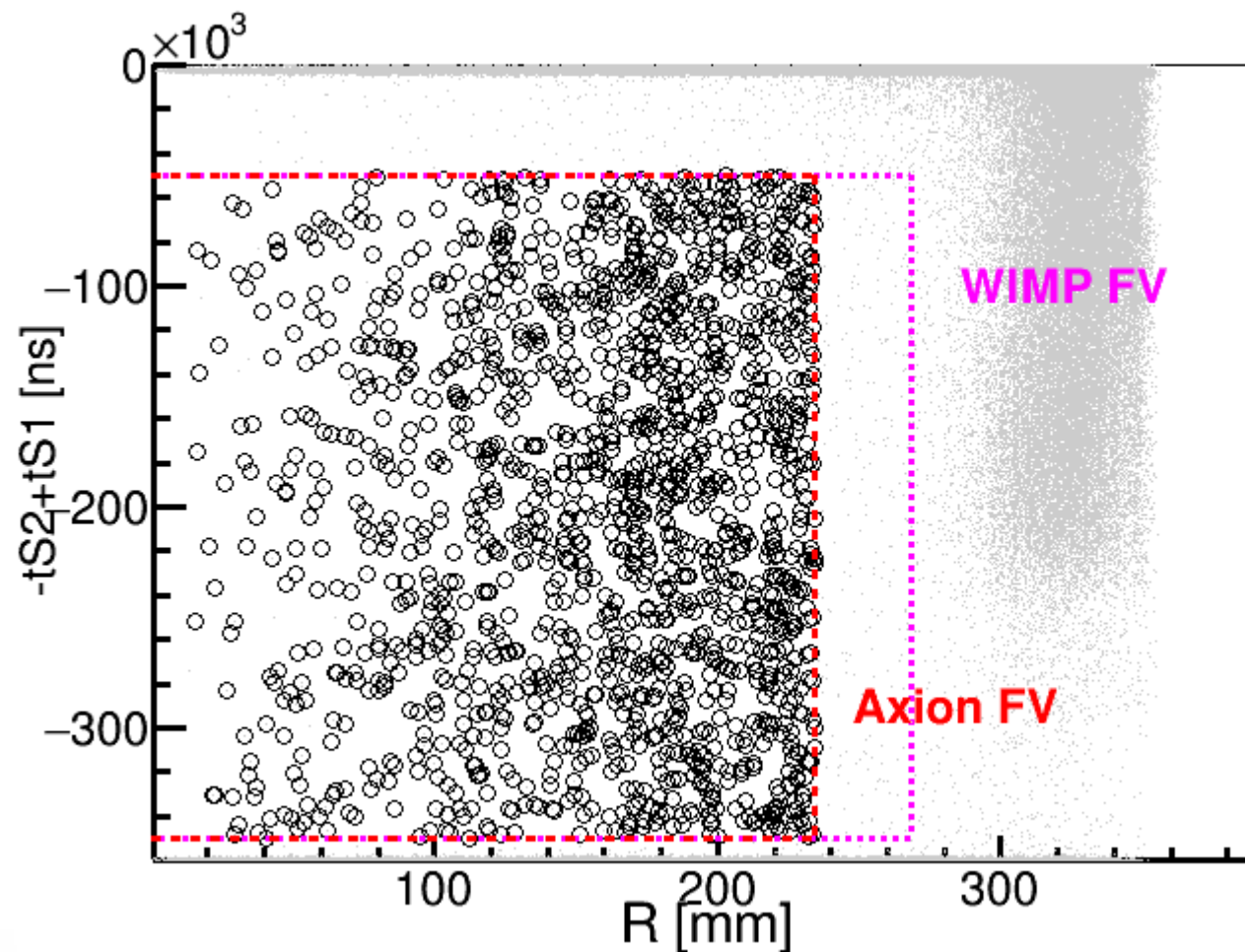
### Axion signal in xenon detector:

#### low energy ER events

- Expand the energy window to **25 keV**
- Reduce the FV to **250 kg** to avoid the affect of Surface events

### Dominant background:

- $^{127}\text{Xe}$ : decay away in Run 11
- **Tritium**: appearing since Run 10
- Flat ER:  **$^{222}\text{Rn}$** , materials
- **$^{85}\text{Kr}$**



100.7 ton-day exposure  
2121 events selected



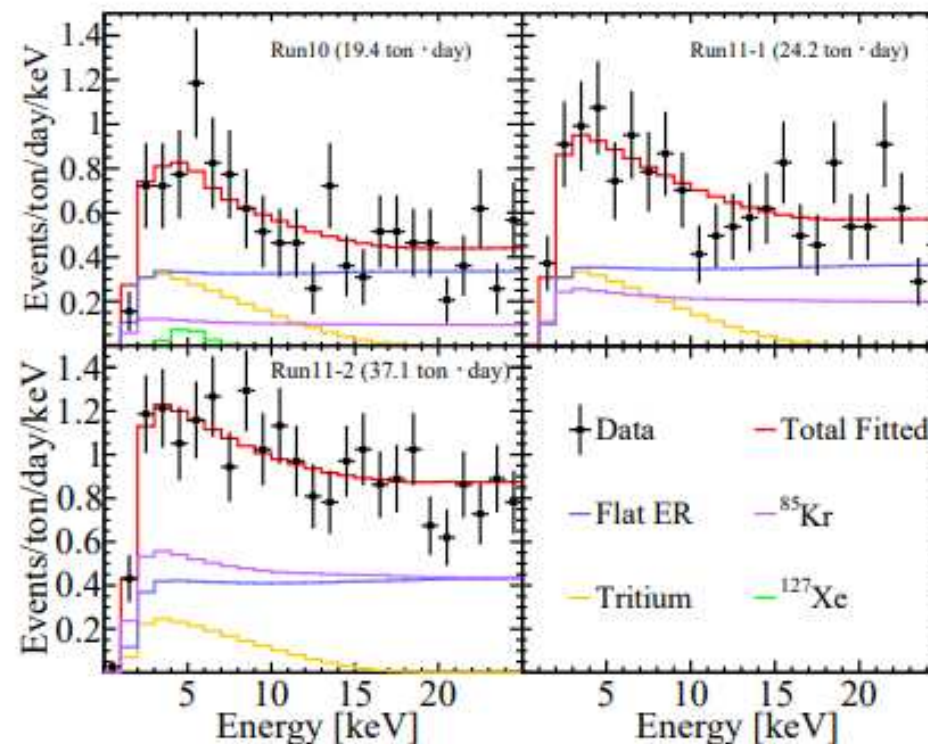
# Tritium



Degenerate significantly with axion signal

- Introduced by  $\text{CH}_3\text{T}$  calibration
  - Unbinned likelihood fit on Run 10, 11-1, 11-2 independently
  - Consistent with a constant rate
- Total fitted  $0.037 \pm 0.013 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$

floating in the fit



Run	Tritium level
10	$0.040 \pm 0.012 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$
11-1	$0.043 \pm 0.013 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$
11-2	$0.032 \pm 0.018 \mu\text{Bq/kg}$

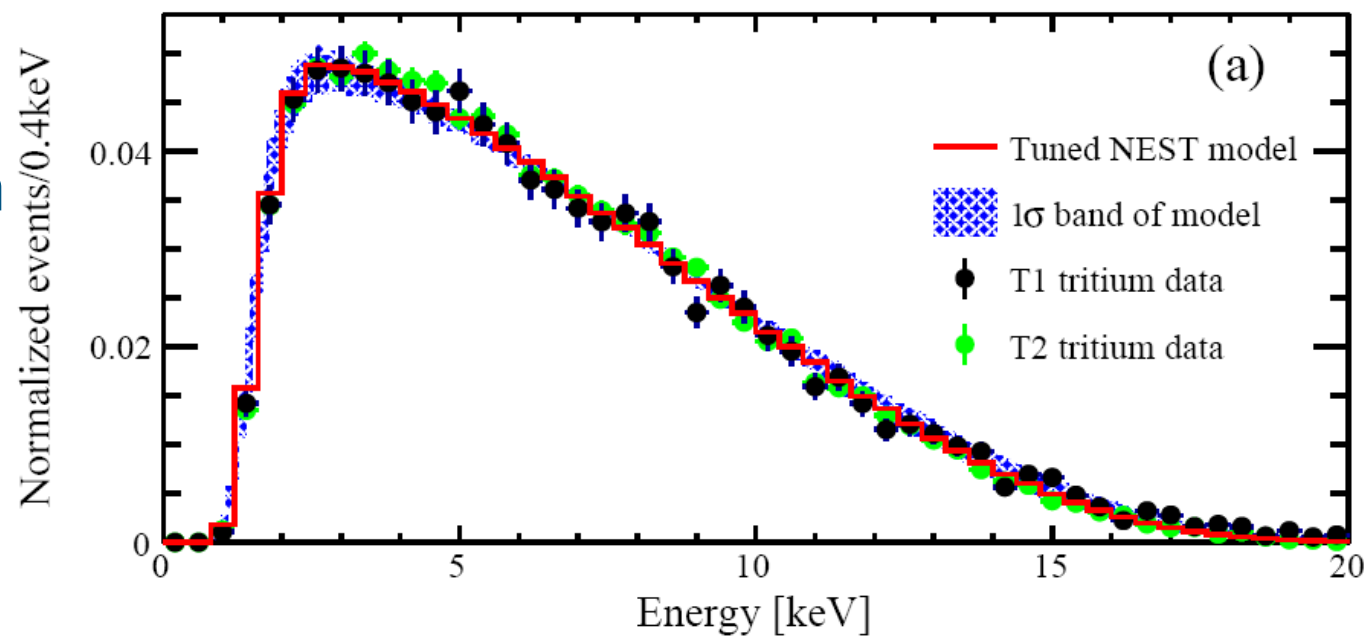


# Tritium



## Degenerate significantly with axion

- The shape of tritium well understood (small shape systematic error)



Reconstruction considering BLS correction  
Fitting good ! !

floating in the fit

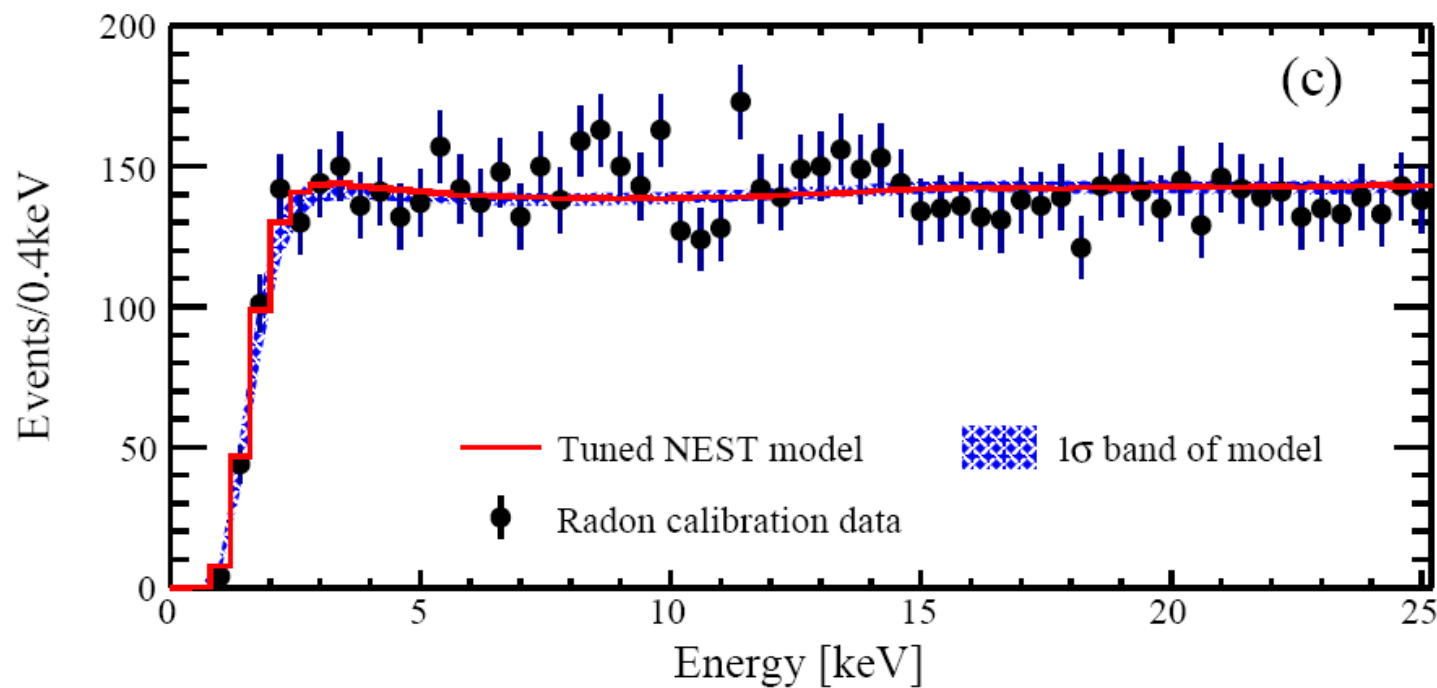




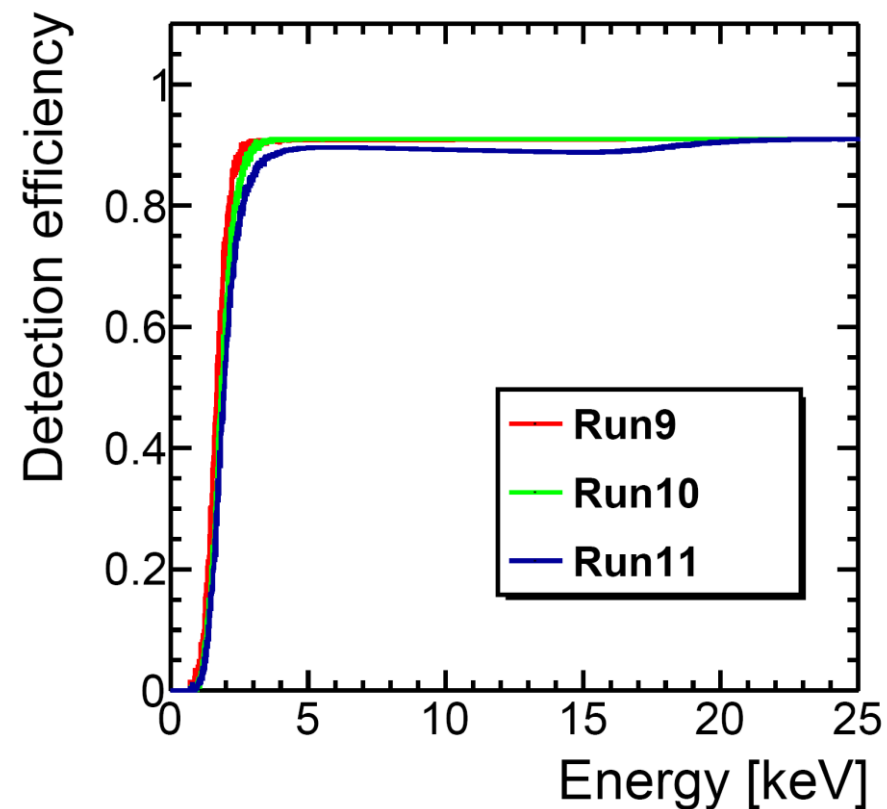
$^{222}\text{Rn}$



## $^{220}\text{Rn}$ calibration shows “flat”



## ER detection efficiency





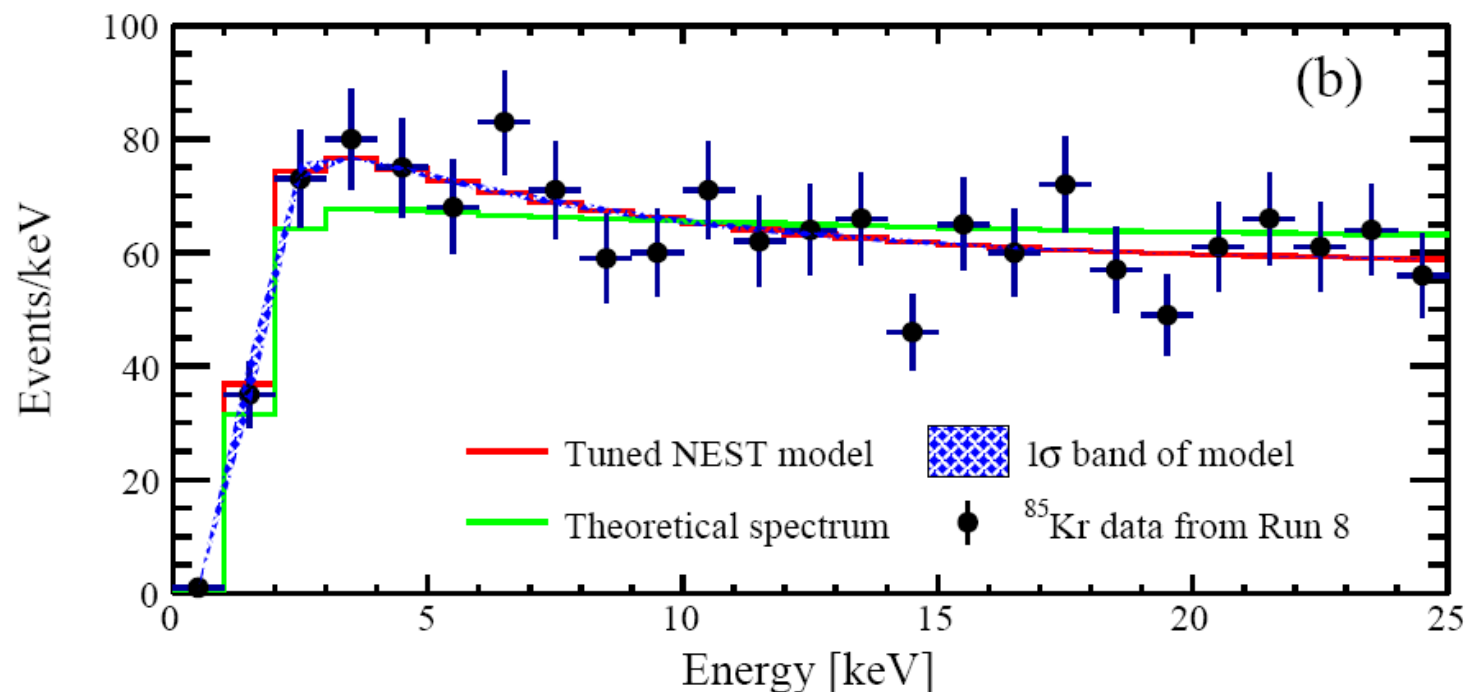
$^{85}\text{Kr}$



Run8 LE data was dominated  
( 98%, 15mDRU) by  $^{85}\text{Kr}$

- Direct measurement of  $^{85}\text{Kr}$  @ low energy region
- **Data driven model (Expo+flat)**
- **fed into fitting analysis**
- **Theoretic spec difference as systematic**

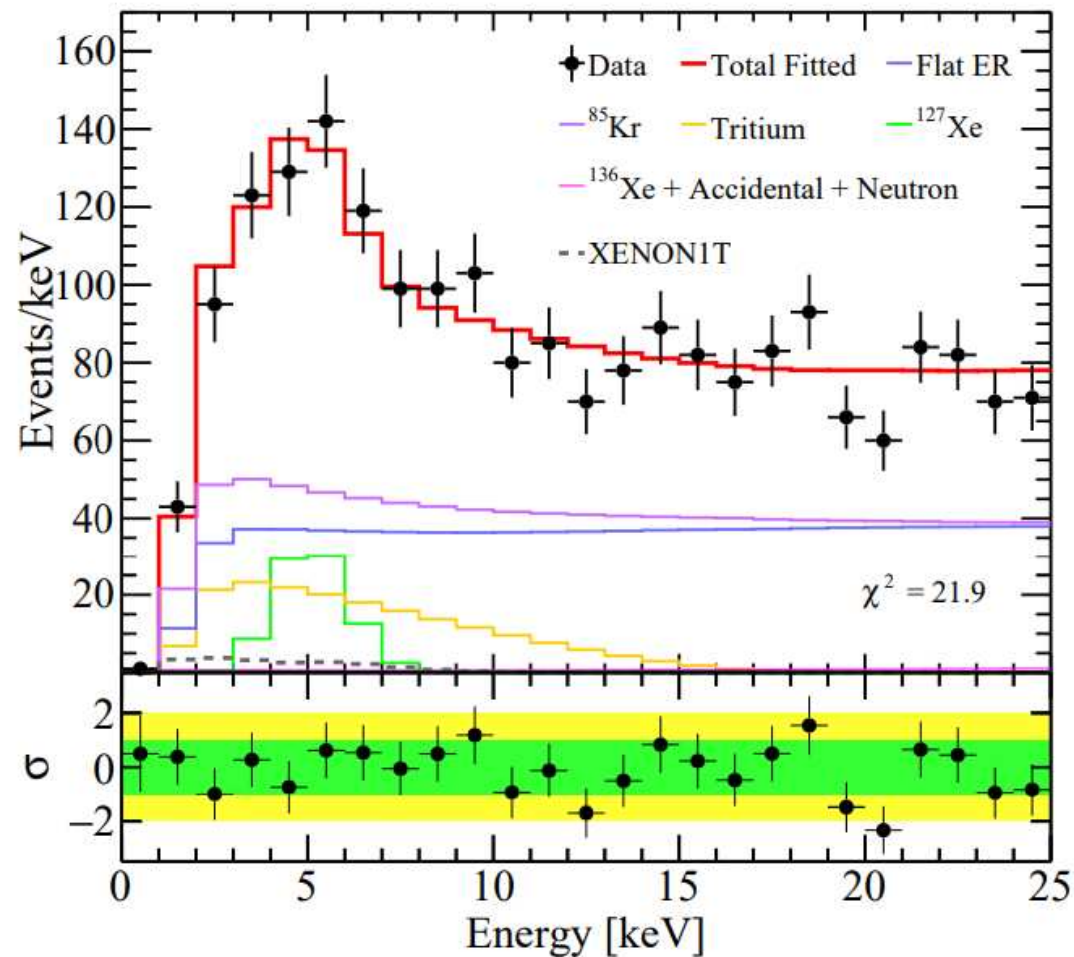
1mDRU = 1 E-3 /keV/kg/day



nuclear structure effects involved [arXiv:2007.13686](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.13686)  
exchange effect calculated using the extended formalism  
for first-forbidden unique transitions



## Axion Fitting results

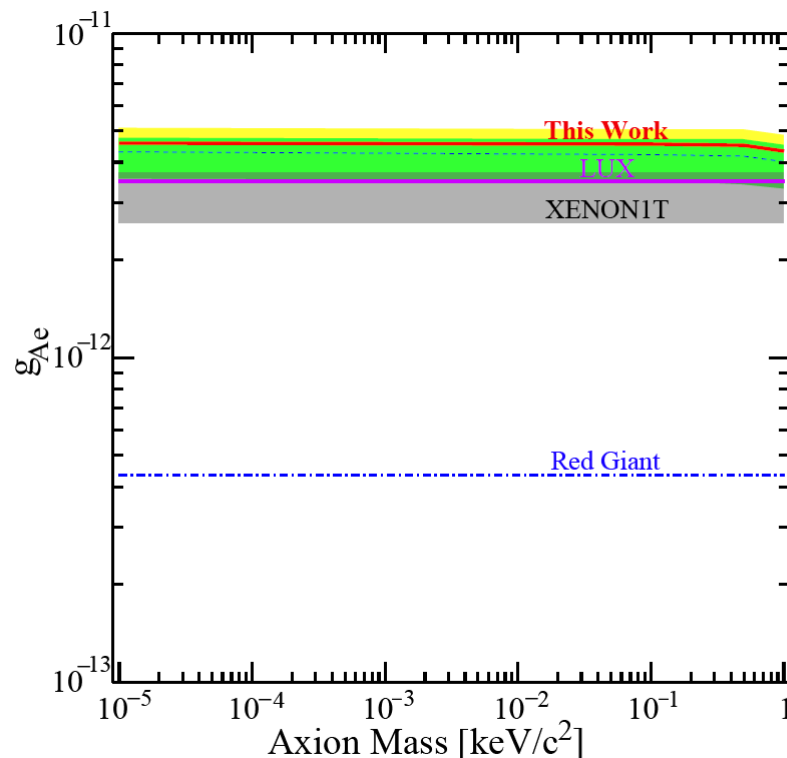


## BKG only fitting results

Events	Run 9	Run 10	Run 11-1	Run 11-2
$^{127}\text{Xe}$	80.7	3.7	0.0	0.0
tritium	0	45.9	55.6	85.3
$^{85}\text{Kr}$	388.0	38.8	122.5	440.7
flat ER	173.0	167.7	205.6	315.4
accidental	1.6	0.9	0.8	1.3
neutron	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.8
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	2.3	2.2	2.7	4.1
Total	$646.3 \pm 32.7$	$259.5 \pm 19.8$	$387.7 \pm 28.8$	$847.5 \pm 48.4$
Data	646	249	387	839



# Axion Fitting results



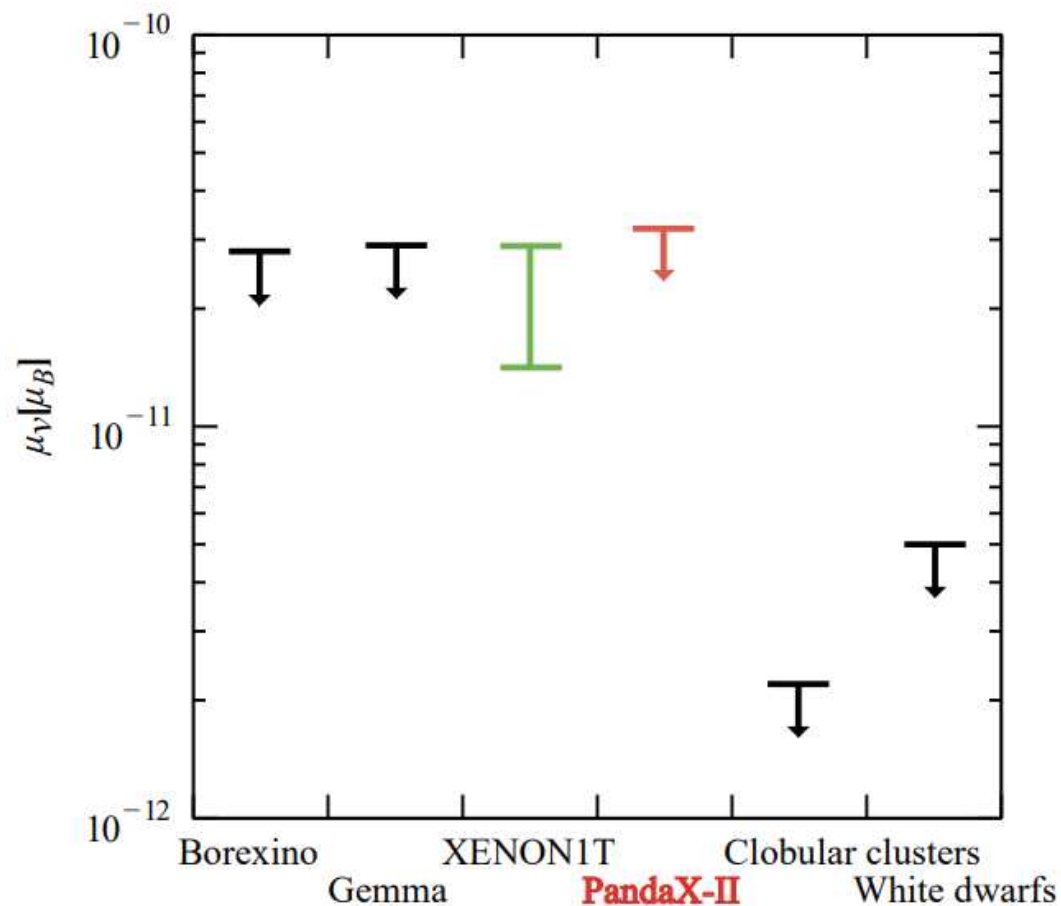
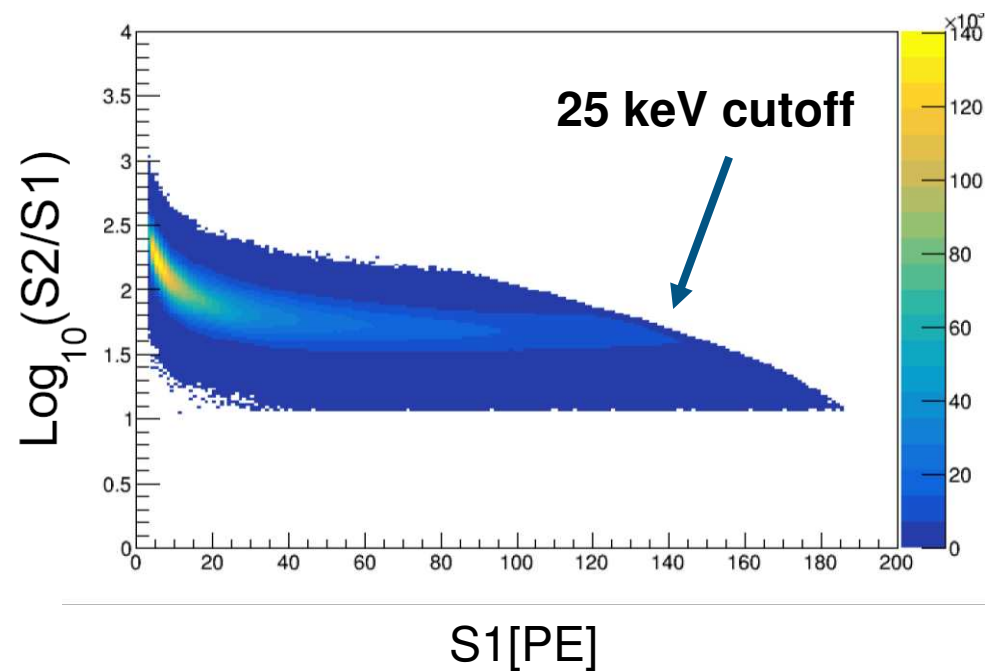
Independent test on XENON1T's excess with same detection technology but different background

Axion-electron coupling  $g_{Ae} < 4.6 \times 10^{-12}$  for an axion mass less than  $0.1 \text{ keV}/c^2$

The observed excess from XENON1T **is within our experimental constraints**.



## $\mu_\nu$ Fitting results



$$\mu_\nu < 3.2 \times 10^{-11} \mu_B$$



# PandaX-4T

编辑与版式样式



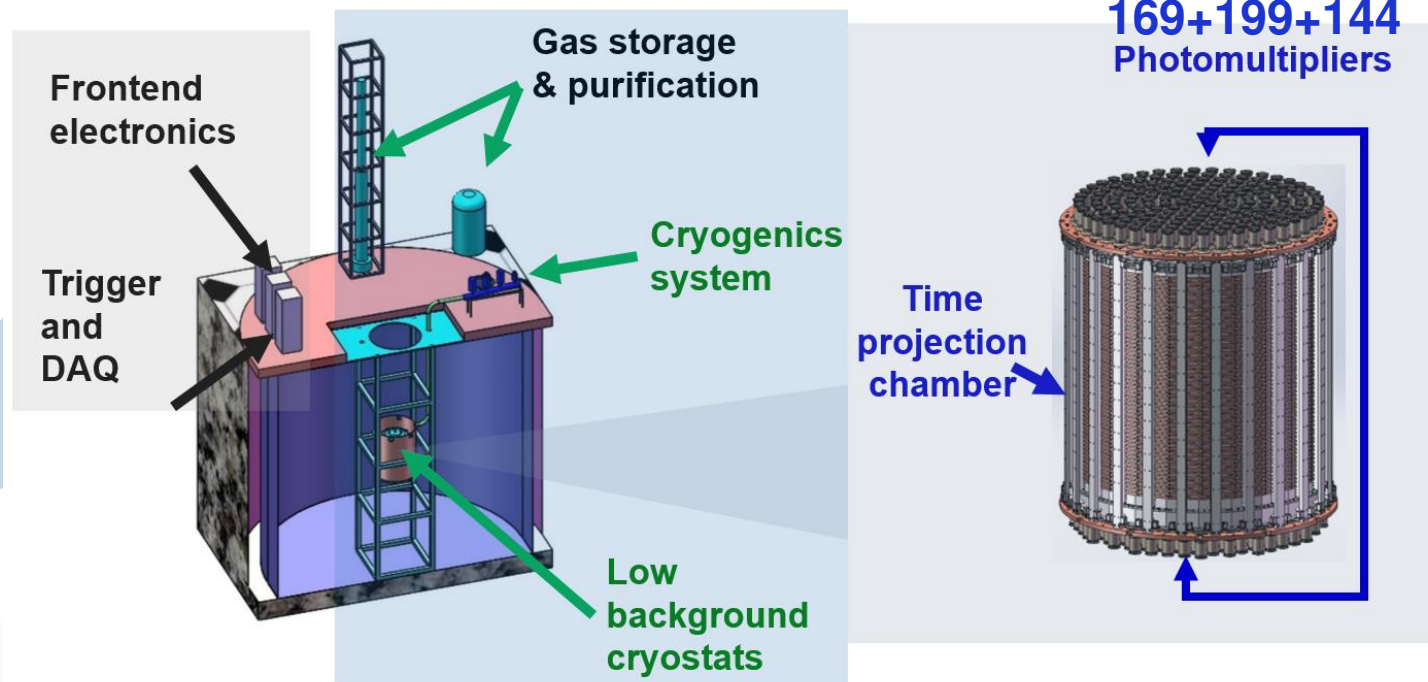
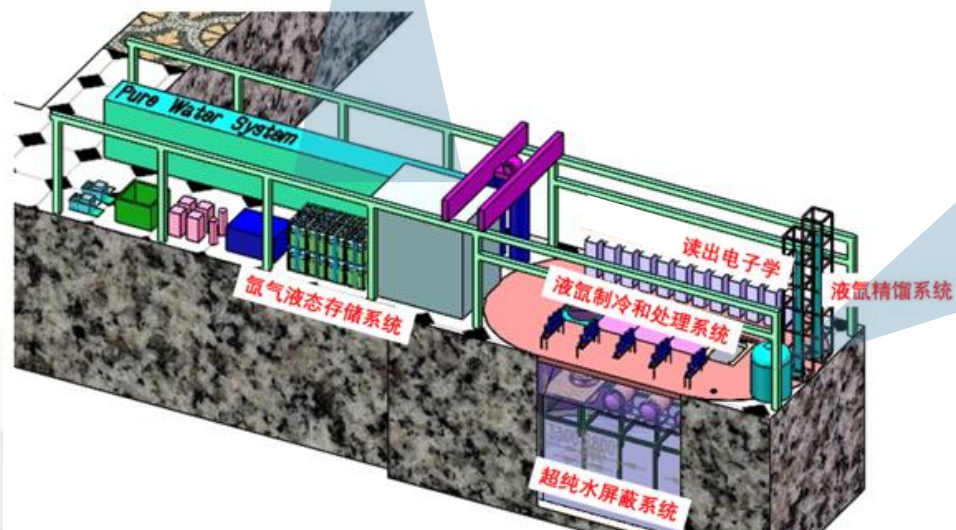
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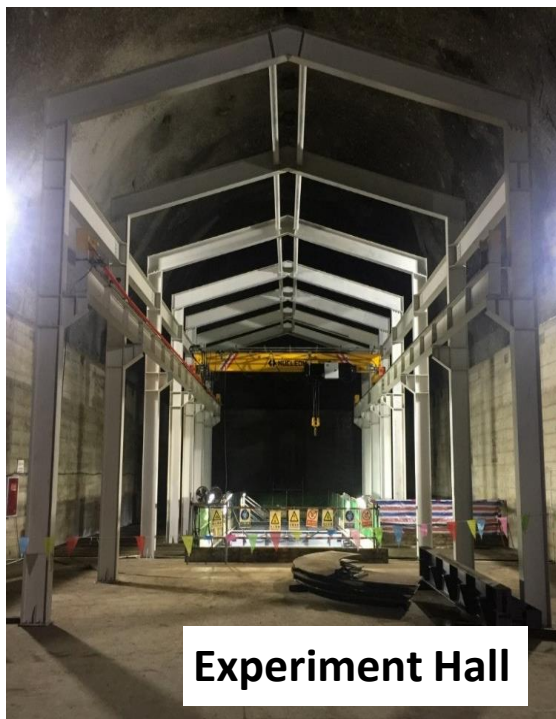
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- B2 Hall
- 14m(H)x14m(W)x65m(L)

- PandaX-4T (4-ton in sensitive region)



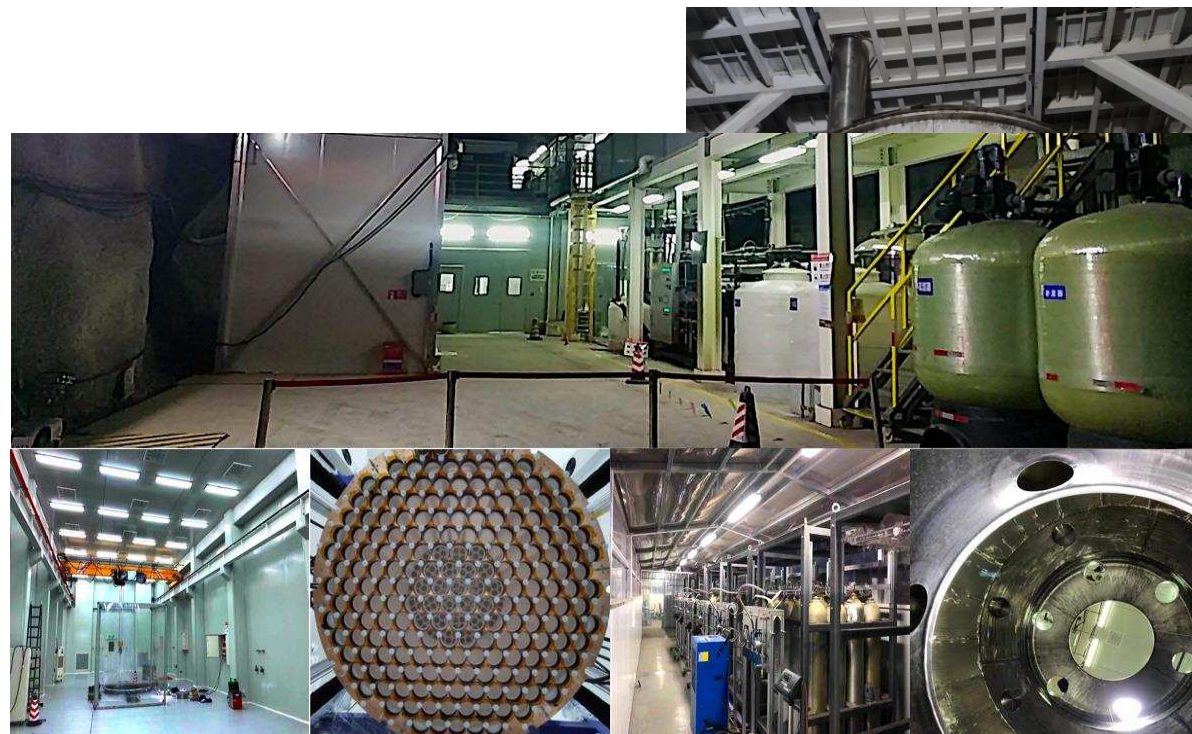


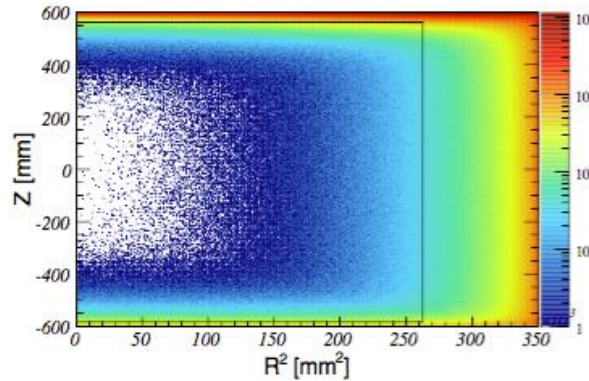
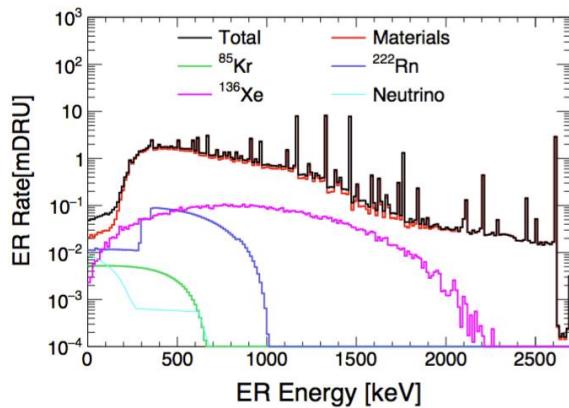


**Experiment Hall**



**Water Tank**



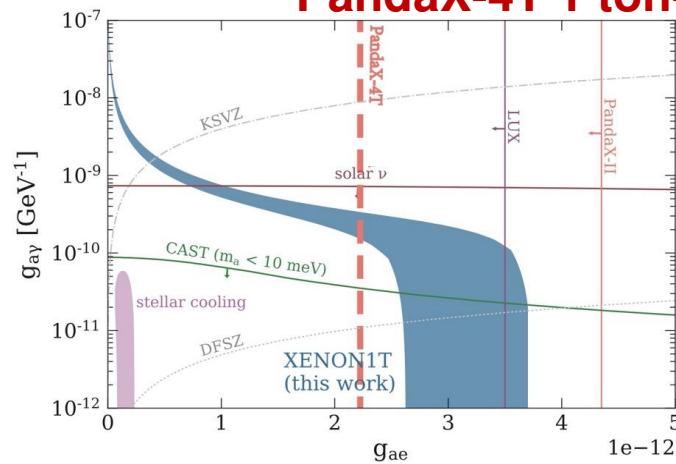


ER background in PandaX-4T

Summary of ER and NR backgrounds

Source	ER in mDRU	NR in mDRU
Materials	$0.0210 \pm 0.0042$	$2.0 \pm 0.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$^{222}\text{Rn}$	$0.0114 \pm 0.0012$	-
$^{85}\text{Kr}$	$0.0053 \pm 0.0011$	-
$^{136}\text{Xe}$	$0.0023 \pm 0.0003$	-
Neutrino	$0.0090 \pm 0.0002$	$0.8 \pm 0.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Sum	$0.049 \pm 0.005$	$2.8 \pm 0.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$
2-year yield (evts)	$1001.6 \pm 102.2$	$5.7 \pm 1.0$
after selection (evts)	$2.5 \pm 0.3$	$2.3 \pm 0.4$

PandaX-4T 1 ton-year



Onsite detector assembly started: **Aug. 2019**

Commissioning of PandaX-4T: **end of 2020**

first physics data from PandaX-4T in 2021





## Summary

01

PandaX-II shutdown in 2019.06, with 100.7 ton days data for axion analysis

02

Four major backgrounds at low energy region were studied with robust data driven estimate and modeling.

03

Independent test of ABC axion and neutrino with enhanced magnetic moment hypotheses carried out.

**XENON1T's excess is within our experimental constraints.**

04

PandaX-4T is on progress, and will test the excess together with upcoming XENON-nT and LZ

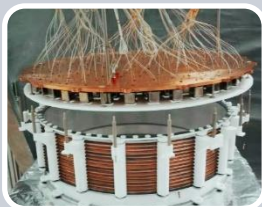


**THANK YOU**





## PandaX experiment



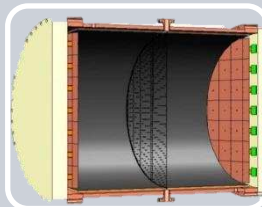
**PandaX-I**  
120kg LXe  
DM  
2009-2014



**PandaX-II**  
580 kg LXe  
DM  
2015-2019



**PandaX-xT**  
X ton LXe  
DM  
Near future



**PandaX-III**  
200kg-1T  
gas Xe-136  
0 $\nu$ 2 $\beta$   
future

### PandaX

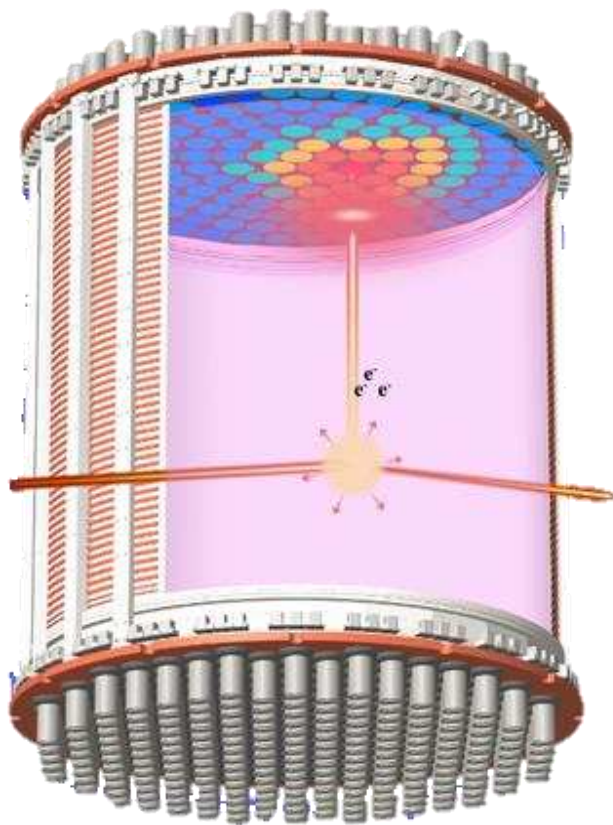
- Series of xenon based rare-event detection experiments
- Formed in 2009
- ~50 collaborators



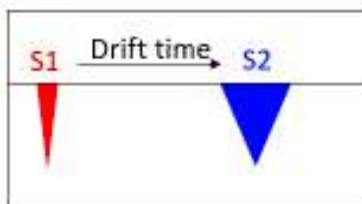
**PANDA X**  
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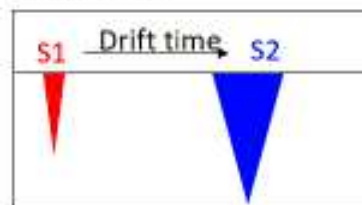
# Dual-phase xenon Time Projection Chamber(TPC)



Dark matter: nuclear recoil (NR)



$\gamma$  background: electron recoil (ER)



ZEPLIN, XENON, LUX, LZ, PandaX...



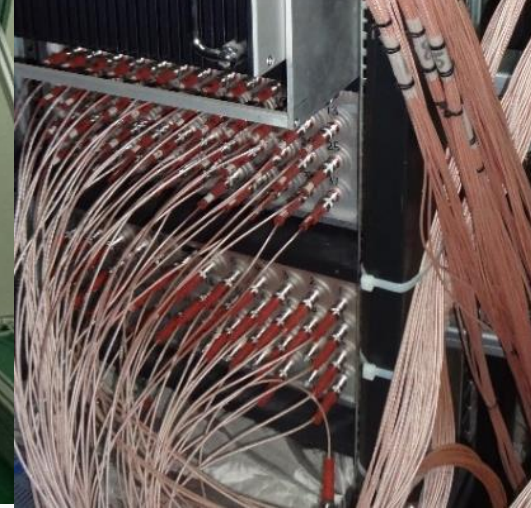
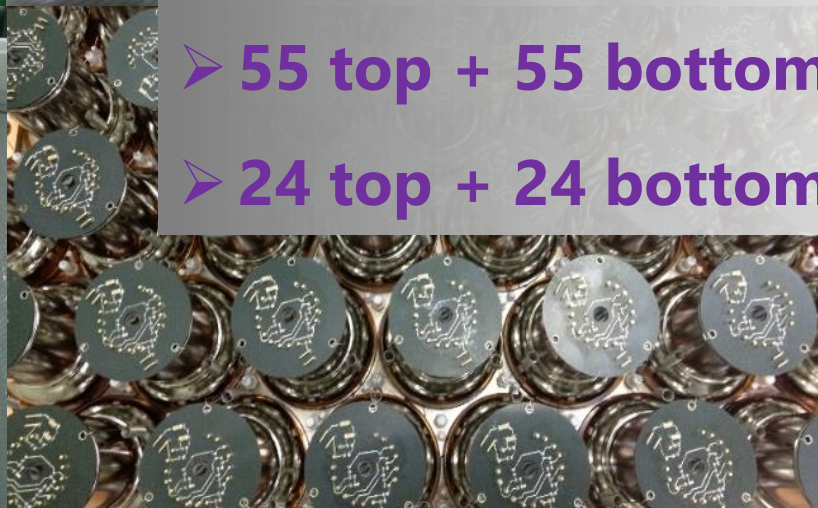
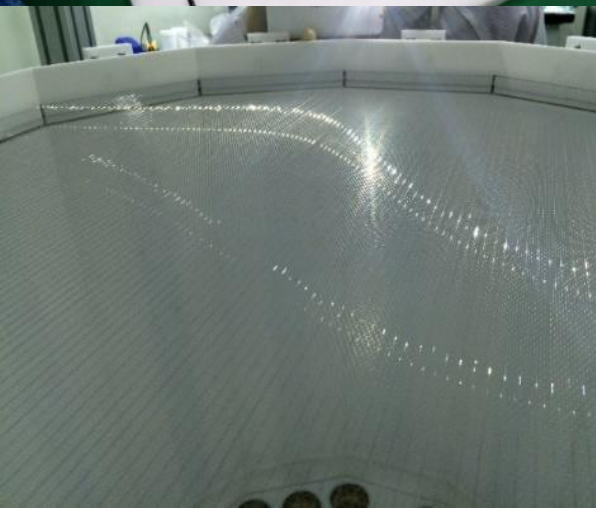
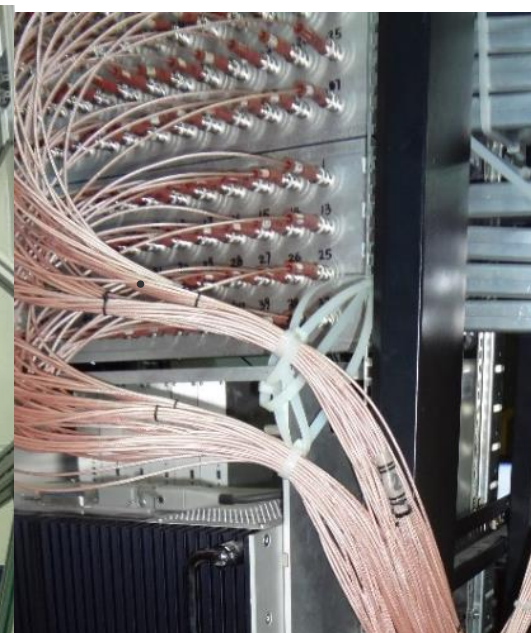
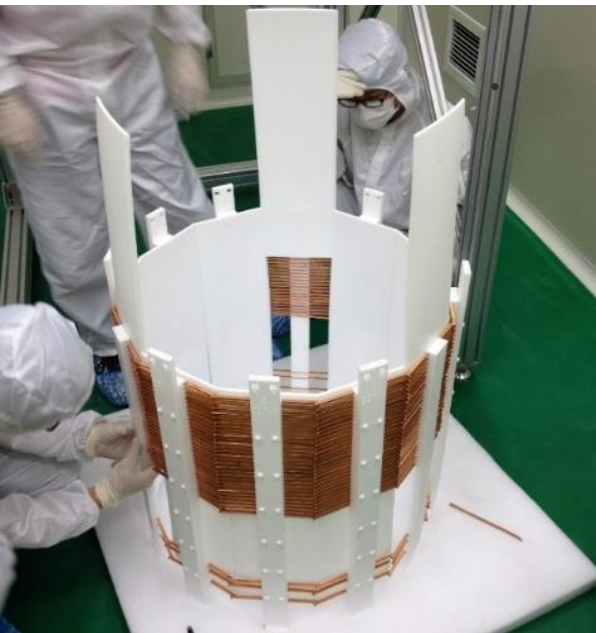
## Advantages :

- ✓ Xenon has no long-lived radioactive isotopes (except  $^{136}\text{Xe}$ )
- ✓ Large A: large cross section & **self-shielding**
- ✓ Excellent discrimination between nuclear and electron recoils and **3D fiducialization**
- ✓ Scalability
- ✓ 9%  $^{136}\text{Xe}$  for  $0\nu 2\beta$





# PandaX-II detector



## PandaX-II detector:

- 60 cm \* 60 cm cylindrical TPC
- 580 kg LXe in sensitive region
- 55 top + 55 bottom 3" target PMTs
- 24 top + 24 bottom 1" veto PMTs



## Some published results of PandaX-II



Dark matter models	Exposure (Ton-day)	Publications
WIMP-nucleon Spin-Independent	33	PRL 117, 121303 (2016)
WIMP-nucleon Spin-dependent	33	PRL 118, 071301 (2017)
Inelastic scattering	27	PRD 96, 102007 (2017)
Axion and ALP	27	PRL 119, 181806 (2017)
<b>WIMP-nucleon SI</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>PRL 119, 181302 (2017)</b>
<b>light mediator, self-interacting DM (*)</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>PRL 121, 021304 (2018)</b>
<b>EFT models and SD (*)</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>PLB 792, 193–198 (2019)</b>
<b><math>0\nu 2\beta</math> decay search</b>	<b>8.1 (<math>^{136}\text{Xe}</math>)</b>	<b>CPC 43, 113001 (2019)</b>

(\*) collaborating with theorists: Hai-bo Yu (UCI) and Wick C. Haxton (UCB&LBNL)



Three experiments with similar dual-phase Xe TPC technology, LUX, XENON1T, and PandaX-II, pushed limits down further and further for WIMP direct detections