Decaying dark matter in dwarf spheroidal galaxies: Prospects for x-ray and gamma-ray telescopes

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Dwarf spheroidal galaxies are dark matter dominated systems, and as such, ideal for indirect dark matter searches. If dark matter decays into high-energy photons in the dwarf galaxies, they will be a good target for current and future generations of x-ray and gamma-ray telescopes. By adopting the latest estimates of density profiles of dwarf galaxies in the Milky Way, we revise the estimates dark matter decay rates in dwarf galaxies; our results are more robust, but weaker than previous estimates. Applying these results, we study the detectability of dark matter decays with x-ray and very-high-energy gamma-ray telescopes, such as eROSITA, XRISM, Athena, HAWC, and CTA. Our projection shows that all of these x-ray telescopes will be able to critically assess the claim of the 7 keV sterile neutrino decays from stacked galaxy clusters and nearby galaxies. For TeV decaying dark matter, we can constrain its lifetime to be longer than $\sim 10^{27}-10^{28}$ s. We also make projections for future dwarf galaxies that would be newly discovered with the Vera Rubin Observatory Legacy Survey of Space and Time, which will further improve the expected sensitivity to dark matter decays both in the keV and PeV mass ranges.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Although the existence of dark matter is firmly established through its gravitational interactions, its particle nature with nongravitational interactions is yet to be unveiled. Intensive effort to search for weakly interactive massive particles (WIMPs)—a prime candidate for particle dark matter for a long time-has unfortunately yielded null detection so far from all the avenues of search strategies: colliders, direct and indirect experiments ([1], see also Ref. [2]). This has significant increased interests in other dark matter candidates in recent years [3–6]. Furthermore, although it is often assumed that dark matter is stable as in the case of WIMPs, it does not have to be completely stable as long as its lifetime is much longer than the age of the Universe. In this paper, we discuss two such possibilities: keV sterile neutrinos (e.g., [3]; Sec. IA) and heavy dark matter with masses in the TeV-PeV range (e.g., [6,7]; Sec. IB). As a target source to look for signatures of dark matter decay, we consider dwarf spheroidal galaxies (dSphs)—satellites of the Milky-Way halo (Sec. IC).

A. Sterile neutrino dark matter

Sterile neutrinos, ν_s , whose mass is in keV range is a popular example of decaying dark matter [3]. If they are dark matter, they exist as a mass eigenstate with mostly right-handed (hence sterile) component with a tiny mixture of active flavors such as ν_e . The sterile neutrinos then decay by emitting a photon ($\nu_s \rightarrow \nu_e + \gamma$), which carry energy corresponding to half of the sterile neutrino mass, $E_{\gamma} = m_{\nu_{\gamma}}/2$.

There has been a claim of a possible detection of an x-ray line that potentially originated from the sterile neutrino decay. Reference [8] looked at the stacked x-ray spectra of 73 galaxy clusters and found an excess emission around 3.5 keV. By splitting up the sample, they ruled out the possibility of it coming solely from nearby bright clusters. The emission line was interpreted as a signature of sterile neutrino decay with mass of $m_{\nu_s} = 7.1$ keV and mixing angle of $\sin^2(2\theta) = 7 \times 10^{-11}$. A similar claim was made by Ref. [9] by looking for the signal from the M 31 and Perseus cluster.

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This claim triggered multiple follow-up papers, intense debates, reinvestigating the excess at the 3.5 keV, or also trying to explain it with different phenomena (e.g., [10–19]). A recent study [20] found some missing features in the originally used database near the unidentified line. The inclusion of these features raises the total flux value in the region around 3.5 keV but is still not enough to explain the line found in the stacked galaxy cluster spectra. There were claims of null detection with XMM-Newton data and stringent constraints by Refs. [21,22] (see also Refs. [23,24] and Ref. [25]). It is therefore important to cross check from every possible angle.

One way to further investigate keV sterile neutrinos is to use upcoming x-ray telescopes such as eROSITA [26], XRISM [27], and Athena [28]. In this paper, we study sensitivities of these telescopes to the sterile neutrino decay. XRISM and Athena have superb energy resolution that is ideal for line searches, while eROSITA enables the all-sky survey.

B. Heavy dark matter

The dark matter can be much heavier than GeV–TeV typical mass scales of the WIMP dark matter. This makes an interesting possibility to be tested in light of current and upcoming data of TeV gamma-ray (HAWC [29], CTA [30], and LHAASO [31]) and TeV-PeV neutrino telescopes (IceCube [7], IceCube-Gen2 [32], KM3NeT [32,33]).

For dark matter in a mass range of 1 TeV–10 PeV, the most stringent constraints on the decay lifetime of these particles was obtained by the Fermi Large Area Telescope, which are in the range of 10^{28} – 10^{29} s (see Ref. [6] and references therein).

These limits can be further improved with current and next generation TeV gamma-ray telescopes. HAWC features a wide field of view, and detects both gamma-rays and cosmic rays in an energy range between ~500 GeV and a few hundred TeV [34]. It consists of 300 water Cherenkov tanks that detect particles from air showers. CTA is a nextgeneration gamma-ray and cosmic ray observatory. Its field of view is up to 10°. It consists of two parts, indicated as CTA North and CTA South, which are complementary to each other for the sky coverage. It will cover a broad energy rage from about 20 GeV to 300 TeV [30]. The Large High Altitude Air Shower Observatory (LHAASO) [31] is a near-future wide field of view gamma-ray observatory that is nearly completed [35,36], which will be sensible to gamma rays in the range between 300 GeV and 1 PeV. Compared with other gamma-ray observatories, LHAASO will also have improved sensitivities above 50 TeV. In this work, we focus on the prospects with HAWC and CTA.

C. Dwarf spheroidal galaxies

dSphs provide a good environment to test the particle nature of dark matter. Due to its proximity and relatively dense environments, they can be one of the best places to indirectly look for dark matter nongravitational interactions, such as decay into x-ray or gamma-ray photons. In addition, because of the paucity of stars, gas, and any other baryonic components, if any signals were detected, they would hardly be coming from astrophysical components, hence making them an ideal target for dark matter searches.

In this paper, we make predictions for constraints on dark matter decay using current and future generation of telescopes of both x-rays and gamma rays, focusing on sterile neutrinos and heavy dark matter, respectively. We will study implications by using both the currently known dSphs and those that would be discovered by future surveys such as Vera C. Rubin Observatory Legacy Survey of Space and Time (LSST) [37]. The LSST will cover the entire southern sky and find dozens of new dSphs [38,39].

The rate of dark matter decay depends on the density profiles of dSphs. By applying theories of structure formation to the evolution of subhalos and satellites, Ref. [40] revised the estimate of density profiles of known dwarf galaxies. The effect was found substantial in terms of rates of WIMP annihilation, by lowering the previous estimates on upper limits to the annihilation cross section by a factor of 2–7. The same consideration will also reduce the decay rates. By using the same subhalo and satellite models, we are able to predict dSphs that would be discovered with the LSST, and also their density profiles [39]. Assessing these quantitatively and also giving the most precise estimates for the current and future indirect dark matter search strategies of various wavebands with all the dSphs are the goals of this work.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II, we briefly introduce essential formulae in order to calculate the x-ray and gamma-ray flux from dark matter decay in dSphs. Section III discusses distributions of decay rates in known dSphs (Sec. III A) and LSST dSphs (Sec. III B), investigating dependence on various parameters related to dSph formation in dark matter subhalos. Our main results about the sensitivities of x-ray and gamma-ray telescopes are discussed in Secs. IV and V for sterile neutrinos and heavy dark matter, respectively. We then conclude the paper in Sec. VI.

II. DARK MATTER DECAYS IN DWARF GALAXIES

The differential flux of photons from dark matter decay from a sky region with a solid angle $\Delta\Omega$ is given by

$$\frac{dF}{dE} = \frac{\Gamma_{\chi}}{4\pi m_{\chi}} \frac{dN_{\text{decay}}}{dE} D, \qquad (1)$$

where m_{χ} and Γ_{χ} are the mass and decay width of dark matter particle χ , respectively, and dN_{decay}/dE is the energy spectrum of the particle of interest per decay.

The decay lifetime τ_{χ} is related to Γ_{χ} via $\tau_{\chi} = \Gamma_{\chi}^{-1}$. The flux is proportional to the so-called astrophysical *D* factor:

$$D_{\rm dSph} = \int_{\Delta\Omega} d\Omega \int d\ell \rho_{\chi}(r(\ell, \psi)), \qquad (2)$$

where $d\Omega = 2\pi \sin \psi d\psi$ and ψ is an angle coordinate subtending from the center of the dSph. We assume that the dark matter density is approximated by a sphericallysymmetric Navarro-Frenk-White (NFW) profile [41]:

$$\rho_{\chi}(r) = \frac{\rho_s}{(r/r_s)(r/r_s + 1)^2},$$
(3)

up to a tidal truncation radius r_t , beyond which $\rho_{\chi} = 0$. Therefore, density profiles for each dwarf galaxy are characterized by three parameters: r_s , ρ_s , and r_t . For each set of (r_s, ρ_s, r_t) and the integration angle α_{int} , we compute the *D* factor using a fitting formula found by Ref. [42] as follows:

$$D_{\rm dSph} = \frac{4\pi\rho_s r_s^3}{d^2} \left[\ln\left(\frac{\min[\alpha_{\rm int}d, r_t]}{2r_s}\right) + X\left(\frac{\min[\alpha_{\rm int}d, r_t]}{r_s}\right) \right],\tag{4}$$

where d is a distance to the dSph, and

$$X(s) = \begin{cases} \operatorname{arcsech} s/\sqrt{1-s^2}, & 0 \le s \le 1, \\ \operatorname{arcsec} s/\sqrt{s^2-1}, & s \ge 1. \end{cases}$$
(5)

Throughout this paper, we adopt a value of 0.5° or smaller for α_{int} . In the case of a typical dSph that is located around tens of kpc away from the Earth, this angle corresponds to the radial size of less than 1 kpc. It is smaller than the values of r_t in our models; i.e., $\alpha_{int}d < r_t$. Therefore, our treatment of the density profiles around the tidal radius r_t has very little impact on the results, even though assuming abrupt cutoff at r_t may not be very realistic.

We also note that the *D* factor in Eq. (1) has another contribution from the smooth Galactic halo component. It can be computed by the same formulas, Eqs. (2) and (3), but with specific input parameters like $r_s = 20$ kpc, r_t set to be the virial radius $R_{\odot} = 200$ kpc, and ρ_s chosen to yield the local dark mater density of 0.4 GeV cm⁻³ at Galactocentric radius of the solar system, $r = R_{\odot} =$ 8.5 kpc [43]. In order to obtain the *D* factor from the Milky-Way halo component, D_{MW} , we first calculate the line-of-sight integral of ρ_{χ} at a specific position in the sky of central coordinate of the dSph and then multiply it by the solid angle $\Delta\Omega$. For this, we evaluate the Galactocentric radius *r* as a function of the line-of-sight coordinate ℓ and the dSph's sky location ψ as

$$r = \sqrt{R_{\odot}^2 + \ell^2 - 2R_{\odot}\ell \cos \psi},$$
 (6)

The total D factor for the dwarf is then obtained as $D = D_{dSph} + D_{MW}$.

III. DISTRIBUTION OF DWARF D FACTOR

A. Dark matter decay in known dwarfs

The density profile of the dwarf galaxies are obtained through stellar kinematics observations (e.g., [44]). However, especially for ultrafaint dwarf galaxies, where there are not enough data, prior distributions of density profile parameters such as r_s and ρ_s have to be adopted in order to obtain their meaningful constraints in the Bayesian parameter inference. Often in the literature, noninformative priors—i.e., uniform distributions for both ln r_s and ln ρ_s were used (e.g., [45]).

Instead, in this paper, we follow the procedure in Ref. [39] to estimate the density profile of observed dwarf galaxies, and also the expected distribution of dwarf Dfactors. The procedure employs structure-formation models that account for subhalos' accretion onto the Milky-Way host halo at given redshift and mass. This theoretical prescription is known as the extended Press-Schechter formalism that predicts the number of subhalos with mass m_a accreted at the redshift z_a onto a host halo, $d^2N_{\rm sh}/(dm_a dz_a)$ well in agreement with the results of numerical simulations [46]. Once a smaller halo falls onto a larger main halo and becomes its subhalo, it experiences tidal mass loss. We model this process of tidal stripping following Ref. [47] for the mass loss and Ref. [48] for the evolution of internal structure. This makes one-to-one mapping between (m_a, z_a) and (r_s, ρ_s, r_t) at z = 0, and hence the prior distribution thereof for the dark matter subhalos. See Ref. [49] for more details, where the model predictions were calibrated to the results of the N-body numerical simulations [50,51].

Not all the subhalos, however, host satellite galaxies. The formation of a satellite in its host subhalo is often parameterized by the peak value of the maximum circular velocity V_{peak} throughout the history of the subhalo's formation and evolution. In our modeling, the maximum circular velocity reaches its peak when the subhalo accreted onto its host at z_a , after which it decreases as the subhalo experiences tidal mass loss. As our canonical choice, we assume that subhalos with $V_{\text{peak}} > 14 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ form ultrafaint dSphs in them. But we also investigate a range of different values of V_{peak} and their impact on the results. For classical dSphs such as Draco, on the other hand, since they are larger and brighter, we instead adopt $V_{\text{peak}} > 25 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ as a satellite forming condition. This is how we construct the satellite priors of both the classical and ultrafaint dSphs [40].



FIG. 1. Posterior probability distributions of $D_{dSph}(0.5^{\circ})$ for Ursa Major II, obtained with satellite priors with $V_{peak} > 14 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (solid), $V_{peak} > 18 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (dashed), $V_{peak} > 22 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (dot-dashed), and log-uniform priors (dotted).

With the satellite priors, we analyze the velocity dispersion data of each known dSph to obtain the posterior distribution of (r_s, ρ_s, r_t) . More details of the analysis as well as the data sets that have been employed are found in Ref. [40]. Then the posterior distribution of *D* factors for each dwarf is computed by using Eq. (4). Lastly, we compute the Milky-Way halo contribution, D_{MW} , based on the sky locations of each of the known dwarfs.

The resulting D-factor distributions for the different prior assumptions studied here are presented in Fig. 1 for the ultrafaint dSph, Ursa Major II. We find that physically motivated priors yield narrower posterior distributions with smaller median than the uninformative prior, as found in Ref. [40]. Median and 68% credible regions for $\log(D_{dSphs}/[GeV cm^{-2}])$ integrated out to 0.5° with these posteriors are $18.25^{+0.20}_{-0.26}$ uniform prior). We also note that, for the Ursa Major II, the Milky-Way halo contribution gives ~60% of the total D factor. If D_{dSph} is obtained by integrating up to 0.05° instead, the corresponding median and 68% credible regions for $\alpha_{\text{int}} = 0.05^{\circ}$ are $16.75^{+0.15}_{-0.17}$ $\begin{array}{ll} (V_{\rm peak} > 14 \ {\rm km \, s^{-1}}), & 16.80^{+0.13}_{-0.15} & (V_{\rm peak} > 18 \ {\rm km \, s^{-1}}), \\ 16.83^{+0.13}_{-0.14} & (V_{\rm peak} > 22 \ {\rm km \, s^{-1}}), & {\rm and} & 17.00^{+0.17}_{-0.19} & ({\rm log-10})_{-0.19} \end{array}$ uniform prior). In this case, given that the NFW profile features central cusp, the contribution from the dSph is more important, with the fractional contribution from the Milky-Way halo decreases to about $\sim 30\%$.

The medians and the 68% and 95% credible intervals of these same priors for all the known ultrafaint dwarf galaxies are displayed in Fig. 2. There we observe overall similar features as for Fig. 1, with sharper predictions from informative priors and a moderate trend of smaller *D*-factor estimates compared with uninformative prior.

The medians and both 68% and 95% credible intervals for all the ultrafaint dSphs studied in this work is summarized in Fig. 2. One can see a general trend that the satellite priors yield systematically smaller D_{dSph} , whereas the effect is not as prominent as in the case of the annihilation studied in Ref. [40]. The results of D_{dSph} distributions of all the dSphs are also discussed in the Appendix in greater details.

B. Dark matter decay in LSST dwarfs

LSST will discover many more ultrafaint dwarf galaxies from the entire southern sky. Many of the known dSphs are found in the northern sky, and the LSST will therefore be able to complement this by searching for many more faint dSphs in the southern sky that is largely unexplored yet. Bright and nearby dwarfs in the southern sky may help further constrain models for indirect dark matter signals [39]. In order to obtain a *D*-factor distribution of these potential dSphs and then to estimate detectability of signals from decaying dark matter, it is necessary to obtain both a spatial distribution and a distribution of expected subhalo properties. While Ref. [39] explored the dark matter annihilation (and the so-called J factor), the procedure for modeling the subhalos and their satellite galaxies is similar to the one described in the previous subsection. As for the spatial distribution, we adopt the results of the hydrodynamical simulations of Ref. [52], combined with the correction for baryonic disruption and completeness effects from Ref. [53].

However, several assumptions have to be made in order to connect the subhalos and their satellite galaxies with given luminosity. We implement a cutoff on the V-band surface brightness that corresponds to the LSST sensitivity, and also V_{peak} corresponding to the formation threshold for dSphs. As in the previous subsection, the canonical value for V_{peak} threshold is taken to be 14 km s⁻¹, below which dSphs are assumed not to form.

In Figs. 3 and 4, we show cumulative distribution of D_{dSph} from the *all sky*, $N(>D_{dSph})$ by varying thresholds for the V-band surface brightness (μ_V) and V_{peak} , respectively. The surface brightness condition of $\mu_V < 32$ mag arcsec⁻² corresponds to the expectation for the LSST Year 1 data. We show Poisson uncertainties of these distributions (both 1 σ and 2 σ levels) as grey bands, with uncertainties calculated as $\sigma_N = \sqrt{N(>D)}$. We also included a cumulative distribution of all known dSph *D* factors (median values obtained in the previous subsection for $V_{peak} > 14$ km s⁻¹), overlayed in these two figures. We note that the cumulative distribution of the known dSphs



FIG. 2. Box-whisker diagram displaying the median and 68% (boxes) and 95% (whiskers) credible intervals of the *D*-factor posterior distribution for ultrafaint dSphs, with the integration angle up to 0.5°. The intervals corresponding to the four satellite priors considered in this research are presented as $V_{\text{peak}} > 14 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (blue), $V_{\text{peak}} > 18 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (orange), $V_{\text{peak}} > 22 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (green), and log-uniform (red).



FIG. 3. Cumulative number of all-sky satellite dSphs with $V_{\text{peak}} > 14 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ for a few values of μ_V threshold. The grey shaded region represents the Poisson errors at 1σ and 2σ levels. The distribution of median D_{dSph} values of the known dSphs is also shown for comparison.

follows closely our predictions for the LSST dSphs, in good agreement within the Poisson errors at large-*D* regime.

For $\mu_V < 34$ mag arcsec⁻² and $V_{\text{peak}} > 14$ km s⁻¹, the mean number of dSphs in the all sky is ~100. We first



FIG. 4. The same as Fig. 3 but for $\mu_V < 34$ mag arcsec⁻² and various values of V_{peak} threshold.



FIG. 5. *D* factors generated by Monte Carlo simulations for mock LSST dSphs and contribution of the Milky-Way halo component as a function of angle ψ from the Galactic center. Top and bottom panels show two cases of different integration angle: $\alpha_{int} = 0.05^{\circ}$ and 0.5° , respectively. Orange crosses show the contribution of the Milky-Way halo, whereas the blue dots show the total *D* factor, i.e., the sum of the dSph and Milky-Way components.

generate the number of subhalos that satisfy this condition through Monte Carlo simulation following the Poisson distribution with this mean. Then, following the D_{dSph} distribution, we assign D_{dSph} values to each of these mock dSphs. We also generate the sky location for each of these dSphs based on the column density of subhalos along each direction. If they are in the survey footprint of the LSST (i.e., declination smaller than 5 degrees), the dSph will be discovered with the LSST.

In addition to this, based on the sky location of each LSST dSph, we compute the Milky Way component of the *D* factor, D_{MW} . The relative contribution of this component to the total *D* factor depends strongly on the integration angle α_{int} . In Fig. 5, we show composition of the *D* factors for two values of the integration angle. For $\alpha_{int} = 0.5^{\circ}$ a large fraction of the dSph *D* factors are nearly indistinguishable from the Milky-Way component, while for $\alpha_{int} = 0.05^{\circ}$, we see that most dSph *D* factors are strongly separated from the Milky-Way component.

IV. STERILE NEUTRINO DARK MATTER

Sterile neutrinos communicate with the standard model only via mixing with active left-handed neutrino species. The conversion probability of a sterile neutrino into an active neutrino is proportional to $\sin^2 2\theta$, where θ is the mixing angle. The relation between the sterile neutrino decay width $\Gamma_{\nu_s}(=\tau_{\nu_s}^{-1})$ and mixing angle is (e.g., [3])

$$\Gamma_{\nu_s}(m_{\nu_s},\theta) = 1.38 \times 10^{-29} \mathrm{s}^{-1} \left(\frac{\mathrm{sin}^2 2\theta}{10^{-7}}\right) \left(\frac{m_{\nu_s}}{1 \text{ keV}}\right)^5.$$
(7)

The x-ray flux is given by Eq. (1), and as the x-ray photons are produced through the decay process $\nu_s \rightarrow \nu_e + \gamma$, the energy spectrum per decay dN_{decay}/dE is a delta function:

$$\frac{dN_{\text{decay}}}{dE} = \delta\left(E - \frac{m_{\nu_s}}{2}\right). \tag{8}$$

With this flux, we can calculate the event counts in an energy bin between E_1 and E_2 with

$$N = T \int_{E_1}^{E_2} dE A_{\text{eff}}(E) \int dE' P(E, E') \frac{dF}{dE'}, \qquad (9)$$

where P(E, E') takes the detector energy resolution into account as a probability of assigning an energy E to an event with true energy E', $A_{\text{eff}}(E)$ is the effective area of the detector, and T is its exposure time. For the energy resolution, we adopt a normal distribution:

$$P(E, E') = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_E}} \exp\left[-\frac{(E-E')^2}{2\sigma_E^2}\right], \quad (10)$$

which is characterized by detector specific value of σ_E . For Athena, XRISM, and eROSITA, they have an energy resolution in terms of the full width at the half maximum (FWHM $\equiv 2\sqrt{2 \ln 2}\sigma_E$) of 2.5 eV [28], 7 eV [27] and 138 eV [26], respectively. We summarize this and all the other relevant specifications for each of these detectors in Table I.

To the detector background in Table I (which are energyindependent in given units), we added a contribution coming from the cosmic x-ray background [55]. The contribution depends on x-ray photon energy, which becomes significant at lower energies compared with the detector background.

In order to assess sensitivity to sterile neutrino decays, for each detector, we generate mock data set (n_i) ; the subscript *i* runs over different energy bins) through Monte Carlo simulations with Poisson distribution assuming null hypothesis, where there is no dark matter component (i.e., $\Gamma = 0$). The theoretically predicted signal and background counts in each bin *i*, as a function of decay width Γ is then marked as $\mu_i(\Gamma)$. The likelihood, i.e., the probability of obtaining the mock data n_i given the parameter Γ , is then calculated as a product of Poisson probability mass functions with the mean $\mu_i(\Gamma)$, $P[n_i|\mu_i(\Gamma)]$:

TABLE I. Summary of specifications for Athena [28], XRISM [27] and eROSITA [26,54].

	Athena	XRISM	eROSITA
Energy resolution (FWHM)	2.5 eV	7 eV	138 eV
Effective area at 3.5 keV	4367 cm ²	219 cm^2	554 cm^2
Detector background	$5.8 \times 10^3 \text{ keV}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}$	$2 \times 10^3 \text{ keV}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ FOV}^{-1}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ keV}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ arcmin}^{-2}$
Angular resolution	2.5 arcmin	1.7 arcmin (HPD)	< 15" on axis (HEW @ 1.5 keV)
Field of view (FOV)	5 arcmin (diameter)	$2.9 \times 2.9 \text{ arcmin}^2$	0.833 deg^2

$$\mathcal{L}(\Gamma) = \prod_{i} P[n_i | \mu_i(\Gamma)] = \prod_{i} \frac{\mu_i(\Gamma)^{n_i} e^{-\mu_i(\Gamma_{\nu_s})}}{n_i!}.$$
 (11)

The test statistic (TS) used in the prediction of the decay rate is defined as:

$$TS(\Gamma) = -2 \ln \left[\frac{\mathcal{L}(\Gamma)}{\mathcal{L}_{max}} \right], \qquad (12)$$

where \mathcal{L}_{max} refers to the maximum likelihood, and the corresponding decay width would be the best fit parameter Γ_0 . An acceptable hypothesis of decay width with 95% confidence level (CL) requires TS ≤ 2.71 , which determines that the upper limit of the decay rate appears when TS = 2.71.

A. Results for pointing instruments: XRISM and Athena

In Sec. III A, we discussed the distribution of D factors for each known dSph, based on which a Monte-Carlo sample is generated. Randomly choosing a value from the sample of D factors, we calculate a corresponding 95% CL upper limit on Γ_{ν_s} . We repeat this procedure and obtain distribution of the $\Gamma_{\nu_{*}}$ upper limit. With Eq. (7), the results are then converted to the limits on $\sin^2 2\theta$. Figure 6 shows the 95% CL upper limits on $\sin^2 2\theta$ as a function of sterile neutrino masses m_{ν_s} both for XRISM and Athena, which would be obtained by observing two dSphs, Draco (left) and Ursa Major II (right). The thick and thin bands show 68% and 95% containment regions, respectively, around the medians shown with curves in the middle. The uncertainties come from both those of D factor estimates and the Poisson fluctuation of the x-ray photon count. We also show the best-fit parameter region of claimed 3.5-keV x-ray line [8], and this study clearly shows that the claim can be definitely assessed with these future instruments by looking at promising dSphs.

In this work, following Ref. [40], in order to obtain the *D*-factor distribution of the ultrafaint dSphs, we modeled subhalos based on cold dark matter framework. Sterile neutrinos, however, are considered instead to behave as



FIG. 6. Upper limits (95% CL) on mixing angle θ as a function of sterile neutrino mass m_{ν_s} for XRISM and Athena using *D*-factor distribution from Draco (left) and Ursa Major II (right). The thick and thin bands show 68% and 95% containment regions, respectively, accommodating uncertainty of *D* factor for each dSph as well as the Poisson fluctuation of the x-ray photon counts. In both panels, the half opening angle for Athena is 2.5 arcmin, while for XRISM, 1.64 arcmin. The best-fit parameter region for claimed possible 3.5 keV line [8] is also shown for comparison.



FIG. 7. Mixing angle constraints for Athena and XRISM with Ursa Major II ultrafaint dSph, where only medians are shown for different satellite formation conditions parametrized with V_{peak} . The upper shaded region shows the parameter space that has been excluded by existing x-ray data, and the lower shaded region represents the space where not enough dark matter can be produced.

warm dark matter, where small-scale structures tend to be erased. This will impact the constraints on the mixing angle through prior distribution of density profile and hence of Dfactors. However, satellite-formation condition, which we parametrized as V_{peak} thresholds is little known. As they both change the number of small and faint satellites, the effect of warm dark matter power spectrum is entirely degenerate with the V_{peak} threshold. To this end, we effectively test the impact of warm dark matter power spectrum by adopting larger values of V_{peak} threshold such as 18 and 22 km s⁻¹, shown in Fig. 7 for the ultrafaint dSph Ursa Major II. We find very little dependence on different satellite forming conditions through different values of V_{peak} threshold, well within the uncertainty bands shown in Fig. 6. This justifies that the model of cold dark matter subhalos combined with phenomenological treatment of satellite formation can be used to discuss sterile neutrino constraints with dSphs. We also show the existing x-ray constraints (upper grey shaded region) [16,18,19,22,56–59] and excluded region due to dark matter underproduction (lower grey shaded region) [60,61] for comparison. Athena is expected to probe nearly all the remaining parameter space for keV sterile neutrino dark matter.

B. Results for all-sky instrument: eROSITA

For eROSITA that enables all-sky survey, we consider both known dSphs and potential LSST sources. We perform a joint-likelihood analysis of all available dSphs using an integration angle of $\alpha_{int} = 0.5^{\circ}$. The subscript *i* in Eq. (11) now runs over each dSph in the sample as well as energy bin. In Fig. 8, we show expected sensitivity to the mixing angle $\sin^2 2\theta$ for a given mass m_{ν_s} , expected with all the known and future LSST dSphs. These show that both the known and future LSST dSphs can be used to test the claim of 7 keV sterile neutrino [11], although the x-ray photon counts might fluctuate upward to prevent the solid



FIG. 8. Left: Mixing angle constraints for eROSITA using *D*-factor data from all known dwarfs. Right: Mixing angle constraints for eROSITA using prospective all-sky LSST sources. In both panels, the analysis is performed for a single annulus of 0.5°. For each mass, 500 Monte Carlo runs were performed.

conclusion. Since the angular resolution of eROSITA is much better than the aperture of 0.5° that we considered here, we also repeated the same analysis but by dividing the regions of interest around each dSph into ten equal-width annuli. We however find that this hardly changes the quantitative conclusion. This is because the characteristic of the signal and the background is very different already in their energy distributions, and hence, adding one more degree of discriminating them does not help improve the eROSITA's sensitivity any further.

V. HEAVY DARK MATTER

For heavy dark matter, we consider candidates χ decaying into $b\bar{b}$ or $\tau^+\tau^-$ channels. Once a heavy dark matter particle decays, the daughter particles hadronize and one of the byproducts is gamma rays that can be detected with the gamma-ray observatories such as HAWC and CTA. We here consider the masses of these dark matter candidates to be in the range of 200 TeV–20 PeV. To calculate the expected gamma-ray event spectrum for a given source, we use the PPPC4DMID numerical package [62] for calculating the particle spectrum of dark matter decay for aforementioned channels with a maximum possible dark matter mass of 200 TeV. For masses above 200 TeV, we use the energy scaling proposed in Ref. [63]:

$$\frac{dN}{dE} = \frac{m_A}{m_\chi} \frac{dN_A}{dE'} \left(E' = E \frac{m_A}{m_\chi} \right), \tag{13}$$

where $m_A = 200$ TeV is the reference mass and dN_A/dE is the spectrum calculated at m_A . The obtained spectrum is used to calculate the gamma-ray flux from dark matter decay using Eq. (1). We then use the gamma-ray flux to calculate the expected amount of events for an energy bin of a detector using Eq. (9). This section targets the detection of gamma-ray flux for heavy dark matter searches within the gamma-ray energy range between 300 GeV and 100 TeV.

A major background contribution to gamma-ray detection in current telescopes comes from cosmic rays, specifically from energetic electrons (e) and protons (p). These fluxes are given as [64]

$$\frac{d^2\phi_{\rm e}}{dEd\Omega} = 1.17 \times 10^{-11} \left(\frac{E}{\rm TeV}\right)^{-\Gamma} (\rm GeV \, cm^2 \, s \, sr)^{-1}, \quad (14)$$

$$\frac{d^2\phi_{\rm p}}{dEd\Omega} = 8.73 \times 10^{-9} \left(\frac{E}{\rm TeV}\right)^{-2.71} (\rm GeV \, cm^2 \, s \, sr)^{-1}, \quad (15)$$

with

$$\Gamma = \begin{cases} 3.0, E < 1 \text{ TeV}, \\ 3.7, E > 1 \text{ TeV}, \end{cases}$$
(16)

TABLE II. Summary of specifications considered for HAWC and CTA.

	HAWC	СТА
Flat energy resolution	100%	10%
Minimal angular resolution	0.5°	0.05°
Exposure time ^a	2 years	500 hours [68]
Field of view (FOV) ^b	2/3 of sky	4.5–10°

^aTo each source.

^bCTA comprises multiple telescopes with different FOVs, and its overall FOV depends on the array layout. HAWC is an all-sky telescope.

with which the aforementioned procedure for calculating the events per energy bin per given solid angle are performed to evaluate the background contributions. For different observatories, we consider the relevant hadron efficiencies which are then corrected against the hadron background flux during our analysis. The hadron rejection factor along with the effective area (with G/H cut) for HAWC has been extracted from Ref. [65]. For CTA, we have considered an overall cutoff factor of 10^{-2} while shifting the energies by a prefactor of 3 in order to account for the reduced Cherenkov light emitted by hadronic showers [66]. The effective areas for CTA telescopes are similarly extracted from [67]. The relevant specifications further considered for corresponding telescopes are given in Table II.

In Fig. 9, we have presented gamma-ray event spectrum along with background events expected for each detector for a mock dark matter source with the *D* factors of 10¹⁹ and 10¹⁷ GeV cm⁻² for HAWC ($\alpha_{int} = 0.5^{\circ}$) and CTA ($\alpha_{int} = 0.05^{\circ}$), respectively, $m_{\chi} = 200$ TeV, and $\Gamma_{\chi} = 10^{-28}$ s⁻¹.

In order to project detector sensitivities on dark matter lifetime, we adopt a similar procedure as adopted in the previous section for identifying mixing angle limits for sterile neutrino dark matter, by evaluating the likelihood and TS. In this particular case, signal and background counts $[\mu_i(\Gamma)]$ for a range of dark matter decay rates (Γ_{χ}) at given dark matter mass (m_{χ}) are calculated for each telescope as discussed above. We used the flat energy resolutions for these telescopes when calculating energy bins; i.e., the energy bin widths considered are constant in logarithm space. The next subsections present the obtained sensitivity limits of the considered heavy dark matter from both the HAWC and CTA.

A. Results for HAWC

In this subsection, we take 21 known dSphs, whose declination δ is within $\pm 45^{\circ}$ around the position of the HAWC, 19° [69] such that they are within HAWC's field of view. We correct for the exposure of the HAWC that is the largest toward the zenith, by multiplying it by an extra factor of $\cos(\delta - 19^{\circ})$. As it mainly surveys the northern



FIG. 9. Event counts per energy bin, proton and electron backgrounds for HAWC ($\alpha_{int} = 0.5^{\circ}$), CTA-north and CTA-south ($\alpha_{int} = 0.05^{\circ}$), while considering efficiency cutoffs for the hadron background contributions for each telescope. The dark matter parameters adopted are $m_{\chi} = 200$ TeV, $\Gamma_{\chi} = 10^{-28}$ s⁻¹, and $D = 10^{19}$ GeV cm⁻² (HAWC) and $D = 10^{17}$ GeV cm⁻² (CTA).

sky, we do not discuss implications from the future LSST dSphs that will be mostly found in the southern sky. We consider a single detection annulus of 0.5° degree, corresponding to HAWC's minimal angular resolution. An extra step while finding the joint likelihood is to consider a sum of all log-likelihoods obtained from each candidates (dSphs):

$$\ln \mathcal{L}(\Gamma) = \sum_{dSph} \ln \mathcal{L}_{dSph}(\Gamma), \qquad (17)$$

from which the lower limits of decay lifetime with 95% CL, τ_{95} , are obtained similarly as in Sec. IV. For each dark

matter mass considered, we have obtained 1000 τ_{95} values to remedy any statistical anomalies in our computations.

In Fig. 10, we present the results for both $b\bar{b}$ and $\tau^+\tau^$ decay channels for the considered known 21 dSphs. Individual likelihood analysis for each of the known dSphs is presented in Appendix (Fig. 15) presenting only the median values of the distribution of 1000 τ_{95} values obtained per dark matter mass. The HAWC's sensitivity is stronger than 10^{27} s nearly independent of mass for the $b\bar{b}$, while it gets reduced to 10^{26} s for the $\tau^+\tau^-$ if dark matter mass is heavier than ~10 PeV. This is because for dark matter in this mass range, most of the gamma-ray photons are emitted well above the energy range that we consider, as



FIG. 10. Lower limits on dark matter decay lifetime from the joint likelihood analysis of 21 known dSphs that are within the field of view of HAWC. The constraints are given for both $\chi \to b\bar{b}$ channel (left) and $\chi \to \tau^+\tau^-$ channel (right). The median values are depicted as a solid line, and the 68% and 95% containment bands are shown in thick and thin relative shadings, respectively, as a result of the 1000 runs of obtaining mock data. For comparison, we also show previous limits from Refs. [6] $(b\bar{b})$ and [70] $(\tau^+\tau^-)$.



FIG. 11. Dark matter lifetime constraints for some the best known dSphs, Draco (top) and Ursa Major II (bottom), detectable with the CTA North telescopes, for the $b\bar{b}$ (left) and $\tau^+\tau^-$ (right) final states. The solid lines show the medians, while the light and dark bands show 68% and 95% containment intervals, respectively, as a result of the 1000 Monte Carlo simulations of mock data. For comparison, we also show previous limits from Refs. [6] $(b\bar{b})$ and [70] $(\tau^+\tau^-)$.

the spectrum for the $\tau^+\tau^-$ channel is much harder than the case of the $b\bar{b}$ channel. We also show other existing constraints from Refs. [6] $(b\bar{b})$ and [70] $(\tau^+\tau^-)$, respectively.

B. Results for CTA

CTA will have much better angular resolution than HAWC. Taking advantage of this, within its field of view of $\sim 5-10^\circ$, one can have multiple annuli. Here we adopt 10 annuli, each of whose widths is 0.05° within the region with radius of 0.5°. However, since the field of view is limited to a narrow region of sky, we mainly focus on the few best

target dSphs. Among the known dSphs, we discuss one classical dSph, Draco, and one ultrafaint dSph, Ursa Major II. Figure 11 shows the expected constraints on the dark matter lifetime with Draco and Ursa Major II, simulated for the CTA North for all both the $b\bar{b}$ and $\tau^+\tau^-$ decay channels. Here, we have again considered 1000 τ_{95} values per dark matter mass while computing the sensitivity bands. We find that the generic trend of these limits is the same as those obtained for HAWC, but the limits are overall slightly weaker. This is because of combined statistical power of all dSphs that can be seen with HAWC thanks to its large field of view, albeit its less good energy and angular resolution.



FIG. 12. The same as Fig. 11, but for a dSph with the largest D factor that would be detected with the LSST.

CTA South will survey the entire southern sky, which will allow us to observe dSphs detected with LSST. We consider through Monte Carlo simulations the best possible LSST dSph candidate that would possess the largest D factor from their host subhalo. The results are shown in Fig. 12. The expected limits are stronger by a factor of a few than the case of Draco and Ursa Major II that can be observed with the CTA North.

VI. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, we made a comprehensive study of dark matter decays in the dwarf spheroidal galaxies. By revisiting their density profile estimates with the latest models of subhalo and satellite formation, we updated predictions of x-ray and gamma-ray fluxes from dwarf galaxies. We then discussed detectability of dark matter signals at x-ray telescopes (eROSITA, XRISM, and Athena), if dark matter is made of sterile neutrinos with keV masses, and highenergy gamma-ray observatories (HAWC and CTA) if dark matter is made of metastable particles heavier than conventional WIMPs.

With physically motivated priors, we show that the posterior distributions of the astrophysical *D*-factors for dSphs are narrower, but are also typically lower compared to the case with uninformative prior. Such an effect was shown for the case of dark matter annihilation, but to a stronger degree [40]. With our revised estimates of the *D*-factors, our results are more robust, though also weaker than previously expected.

For pointing x-ray satellites, XRISM and Athena, we performed sensitivity estimates for two of the most promising dwarfs: Draco (classical) and Ursa Major II (ultrafaint). With both these instruments, we should be able to critically test much debated 3.5-keV x-ray lines, which suggested mixing angle of $\sin^2 2\theta = 7 \times 10^{-11}$ for 7.1 keV sterile neutrinos. The excellent energy resolution of these detectors will also allow the use of velocity spectroscopy as a detection diagnostic tool [71–73]. For the all-sky instrument, eROSITA, we are able to combine information of all the dwarfs. It is also sensitive to test the claimed 3.5-keV line for the current known dwarfs and also tens of ultrafaint dwarf galaxies that might be found with the LSST in the future.

The dwarf galaxies are among many other complementary target regions. Besides galaxies and clusters of galaxies that are already studied extensively [9,11], the cosmic x-ray background [21,22] and their anisotropies and cross correlations [59,74] have also been proven to be efficient in constraining sterile neutrino dark matter. It would also be interesting to study the expected sensitivity of all-sky eROSITA data analysis [75].

For heavy dark matter, we explore the mass range between 200 TeV and 20 PeV that decays into $b\bar{b}$ or $\tau^+\tau^-$. We are able to probe the lifetime of the heavy dark matter in the range of $10^{27}-10^{28}$ s for the $b\bar{b}$ channel, whereas the limits are weaker for $\tau^+\tau^-$ channel for mass ranges greater than PeV. Both CTA and HAWC will yield similar sensitivity to the dark matter decay. Although HAWC has smaller effective area than CTA, it has a larger field of view that enables greater sky coverage. This enables joint likelihood analysis of all the dwarfs in its field of view, compensating its smaller effective area. In the future, once LHAASO is completed, it is expected to be more sensitive than HAWC due to its larger effective area and broader energy coverage.

If heavy dark matter decays to either $b\bar{b}$ or $\tau^+\tau^-$ as was investigated in this study, these final states create a number of lower energy photons through hadronic and

TABLE III. *D*-factor medians and corresponding 68% credible intervals of the classical dSphs for $\alpha_{int} = 0.5^\circ$. The third column $(R_{D_{MW}})$ represents the relative contribution of the Milky Way to the total *D*-factor: $R_{D_{MW}} = D_{MW}/(D_{MW} + D_{dSph})$.

	- WIW	
Name	Classical	$R_{D_{ m MW}}$
Sagittarius	$18.59\substack{+0.10\\-0.09}$	0.81
Draco	$18.30\substack{+0.18\\-0.21}$	0.68
Ursa Minor	$18.26_{-0.18}^{+0.15}$	0.67
Sculptor	$18.22\substack{+0.16\\-0.20}$	0.71
Fornax	$18.06\substack{+0.09\\-0.11}$	0.76
Sextans	$17.96^{+0.21}_{-0.23}$	0.79
Leo I	$17.76_{-0.28}^{+0.23}$	0.85
Carina	$17.69_{-0.37}^{+0.29}$	0.88
Leo II	$17.58\substack{+0.32\\-0.38}$	0.90

TABLE IV. The same as Table III, but for $\alpha_{int} = 0.05^{\circ}$.

Name	Classical	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$
Sagittarius	$16.98^{+0.15}_{-0.15}$	0.64
Draco	$16.87^{+0.10}_{-0.11}$	0.36
Ursa Minor	$16.84^{+0.10}_{-0.10}$	0.35
Sculptor	$16.82^{+0.09}_{-0.10}$	0.39
Fornax	$16.74_{-0.09}^{+0.10}$	0.39
Sextans	$16.68^{+0.11}_{-0.12}$	0.41
Leo I	$16.62^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$	0.43
Carina	$16.56^{+0.12}_{-0.14}$	0.51
Leo II	$16.51^{+0.07}_{-0.07}$	0.52

electromagnetic cascades. This was studied in a broader multimessenger context in Refs. [6,7,70], which show comparable lower limits to the dark matter lifetime on the order of 10^{28} s or so. In addition, it is expected that future neutrino telescopes such as IceCube-Gen2 and KM3NeT are able to probe similar parameter regions [32,33]. Therefore, both the HAWC and CTA will provide complementary constraints using other messengers.

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APPENDIX: DARK MATTER DECAY IN KNOWN DWARF GALAXIES

In this section, we summarize the results of *D* factors for all the known dSphs that we studied. First, we provide the *D*-factor median and 68% confidence intervals in Tables III and IV for the classical dSphs and Tables V and IV for all the ultrafaint dSphs, organized in descending order of D_{dSph} values. Tables III and V correspond to integration angles of $\alpha_{int} = 0.5^\circ$, while Tables IV and VI were obtained

TABLE V. *D*-factor medians and 68% credible intervals of the ultrafaint dSphs for $\alpha_{int} = 0.5^{\circ}$ and the different values of V_{peak} . $R_{D_{MW}}$ represents the relative contribution of the Milky Way to the total *D*-factor: $R_{D_{MW}} = D_{MW}/(D_{MW} + D_{dSph})$.

Name	$V_{\rm peak} > 14 \ {\rm km s^{-1}}$	$R_{D_{ m MW}}$	$V_{\rm peak} > 18 \ {\rm km s^{-1}}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$	$V_{\rm peak} > 22 \mathrm{kms^{-1}}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$
Segue 1	$18.27\substack{+0.22\\-0.34}$	0.63	$18.32_{-0.33}^{+0.21}$	0.60	$18.40_{-0.35}^{+0.21}$	0.56
Ursa Major II	$18.25^{+0.20}_{-0.26}$	0.62	$18.29^{+0.18}_{-0.25}$	0.60	$18.38^{+0.16}_{-0.26}$	0.54
Draco II	$18.08\substack{+0.32\\-0.47}$	0.76	$18.16^{+0.29}_{-0.47}$	0.73	$18.29^{+0.28}_{-0.42}$	0.66
Reticulum II	$18.07_{-0.39}^{+0.25}$	0.77	$18.11_{-0.39}^{+0.26}$	0.75	$18.17\substack{+0.28\\-0.41}$	0.73
Coma Berenices	$18.03_{-0.30}^{+0.21}$	0.79	$18.06_{-0.31}^{+0.22}$	0.77	$18.15_{-0.52}^{+0.30}$	0.74
Ursa Major I	$17.96^{+0.20}_{-0.21}$	0.77	$18.00\substack{+0.32\\-0.54}$	0.75	$18.11_{-0.33}^{+0.25}$	0.70
Tucana II	$17.86_{-0.54}^{+0.31}$	0.89	$17.94_{-0.52}^{+0.29}$	0.88	$18.07\substack{+0.34\\-0.55}$	0.84
Triangulum II	$17.84\substack{+0.40\\-0.63}$	0.81	$17.91\substack{+0.39\\-0.60}$	0.78	$18.07\substack{+0.28\\-0.47}$	0.71
Bootes II	$17.82\substack{+0.38\\-0.69}$	0.89	$17.90\substack{+0.36\\-0.63}$	0.87	$18.06\substack{+0.16\\-0.25}$	0.82

(Table continued)

TABLE V. (Continued)

Name	$V_{\rm peak} > 14 \mathrm{kms^{-1}}$	$R_{D_{ m MW}}$	$V_{\rm peak} > 18 \ {\rm km s^{-1}}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$	$V_{\rm peak} > 22 \mathrm{kms^{-1}}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$
Carina II	$17.74_{-0.43}^{+0.34}$	0.88	$17.78_{-0.43}^{+0.36}$	0.87	$17.86\substack{+0.37\\-0.69}$	0.85
Hyrdus 1	$17.65^{+0.30}_{-0.32}$	0.92	$17.71_{-0.73}^{+0.37}$	0.91	$17.79_{-0.46}^{+0.37}$	0.90
Horologium I	$17.64^{+0.38}_{-0.74}$	0.90	$17.64_{-0.34}^{+0.30}$	0.90	$17.62^{+0.28}_{-0.39}$	0.91
Bootes I	$17.62^{+0.24}_{-0.24}$	0.93	$17.62^{+0.24}_{-0.25}$	0.93	$17.62_{-0.77}^{+0.42}$	0.93
Canes Venatici I	$17.51_{-0.14}^{+0.15}$	0.93	$17.52_{-0.15}^{+0.15}$	0.93	$17.59_{-0.31}^{+0.23}$	0.92
Aquarius 2	$17.44_{-0.77}^{+0.40}$	0.95	$17.50_{-0.76}^{+0.40}$	0.94	$17.54_{-0.59}^{+0.51}$	0.94
Canes Venatici II	$17.38_{-0.66}^{+0.36}$	0.94	$17.41^{+0.38}_{-0.67}$	0.94	$17.50_{-0.16}^{+0.20}$	0.93
Segue 2	$17.31_{-0.72}^{+0.54}$	0.93	$17.36^{+0.55}_{-0.67}$	0.93	$17.50_{-0.75}^{+0.44}$	0.90
Grus I	$17.12^{+0.62}_{-1.09}$	0.98	$17.25^{+0.59}_{-1.06}$	0.97	$17.48^{+0.54}_{-1.04}$	0.95
Eridanus II	$17.10^{+0.31}_{-0.42}$	0.97	$17.17^{+0.53}_{-1.05}$	0.96	$17.36^{+0.53}_{-1.05}$	0.94
Pisces II	$17.07^{+0.54}_{-1.06}$	0.97	$17.16^{+0.29}_{-0.48}$	0.97	$17.31^{+0.41}_{-0.27}$	0.96
Leo T	$17.02^{+0.37}_{-0.60}$	0.97	$17.09^{+0.34}_{-0.62}$	0.96	$17.28^{+0.53}_{-1.04}$	0.94
Leo V	$16.99^{+0.60}_{-1.05}$	0.98	$17.09^{+0.58}_{-1.03}$	0.97	$17.27_{-1.04}^{+0.58}$	0.95
Tucana III	$16.94_{-0.39}^{+0.54}$	0.98	$17.06_{-1.08}^{+0.56}$	0.98	$17.23_{-0.56}^{+0.36}$	0.97
Hercules	$16.93_{-0.61}^{+0.54}$	0.99	$17.05_{-0.35}^{+0.49}$	0.99	$17.20^{+0.36}_{-0.70}$	0.98
Pegasus III	$16.93^{+0.59}_{-1.05}$	0.98	$16.87^{+0.56}_{-0.59}$	0.98	$16.83_{-0.79}^{+0.78}$	0.99
Leo IV	$16.78^{+0.73}_{-0.87}$	0.99	$16.81_{-0.86}^{+0.74}$	0.98	$16.75_{-0.53}^{+0.61}$	0.99

TABLE VI. The same as Table V but for $\alpha_{int} = 0.05^{\circ}$.

Name	$V_{\rm peak} = 14 \mathrm{kms^{-1}}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$	$V_{\text{peak}} = 18 \text{ km s}^{-1}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$	$V_{\text{peak}} = 22 \text{ km s}^{-1}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$
Segue 1	$16.77^{+0.16}_{-0.18}$	0.35	$16.79_{-0.17}^{+0.15}$	0.34	$16.85_{-0.17}^{+0.14}$	0.31
Ursa Major II	$16.75_{-0.17}^{+0.15}$	0.34	$16.77_{-0.15}^{+0.14}$	0.33	$16.83_{-0.15}^{+0.13}$	0.30
Ursa Major I	$16.65^{+0.11}_{-0.12}$	0.41	$16.66^{+0.21}_{-0.23}$	0.40	$16.77^{+0.18}_{-0.22}$	0.34
Coma Berenices	$16.63_{-0.15}^{+0.13}$	0.48	$16.66^{+0.10}_{-0.11}$	0.46	$16.72_{-0.17}^{+0.15}$	0.43
Draco II	$16.62_{-0.25}^{+0.21}$	0.48	$16.65_{-0.14}^{+0.12}$	0.46	$16.71_{-0.23}^{+0.19}$	0.43
Reticulum II	$16.62_{-0.18}^{+0.16}$	0.49	$16.65_{-0.18}^{+0.15}$	0.47	$16.70\substack{+0.09\\-0.10}$	0.44
Tucana II	$16.54_{-0.26}^{+0.20}$	0.64	$16.58_{-0.25}^{+0.19}$	0.62	$16.68^{+0.18}_{-0.22}$	0.56
Bootes II	$16.51^{+0.23}_{-0.29}$	0.62	$16.56^{+0.22}_{-0.29}$	0.59	$16.67^{+0.20}_{-0.26}$	0.53
Triangulum II	$16.48^{+0.22}_{-0.27}$	0.49	$16.53_{-0.26}^{+0.22}$	0.46	$16.65^{+0.20}_{-0.22}$	0.39
Carina II	$16.46_{-0.20}^{+0.16}$	0.59	$16.49_{-0.29}^{+0.22}$	0.57	$16.60_{-0.28}^{+0.19}$	0.51
Horologium I	$16.44_{-0.31}^{+0.22}$	0.60	$16.48_{-0.19}^{+0.16}$	0.58	$16.53_{-0.17}^{+0.15}$	0.55
Canes Venatici I	$16.41\substack{+0.05\\-0.05}$	0.62	$16.42_{-0.11}^{+0.10}$	0.61	$16.47_{-0.28}^{+0.20}$	0.59
Bootes I	$16.41\substack{+0.10\\-0.12}$	0.67	$16.41_{-0.12}^{+0.12}$	0.67	$16.45_{-0.11}^{+0.10}$	0.65
Hyrdus 1	$16.39_{-0.12}^{+0.12}$	0.68	$16.41\substack{+0.05\\-0.05}$	0.67	$16.44_{-0.10}^{+0.10}$	0.66
Aquarius 2	$16.34_{-0.30}^{+0.21}$	0.70	$16.39_{-0.30}^{+0.20}$	0.68	$16.42_{-0.27}^{+0.19}$	0.66
Canes Venatici II	$16.33^{+0.19}_{-0.25}$	0.65	$16.36^{+0.18}_{-0.26}$	0.63	$16.42_{-0.05}^{+0.04}$	0.60
Segue 2	$16.23_{-0.23}^{+0.24}$	0.63	$16.29_{-0.21}^{+0.22}$	0.60	$16.40_{-0.16}^{+0.19}$	0.54
Eridanus II	$16.22^{+0.16}_{-0.17}$	0.68	$16.26^{+0.29}_{-0.41}$	0.66	$16.39_{-0.36}^{+0.27}$	0.59
Grus I	$16.19_{-0.43}^{+0.29}$	0.79	$16.25^{+0.26}_{-0.42}$	0.77	$16.36^{+0.25}_{-0.39}$	0.72
Pisces II	$16.17\substack{+0.28\\-0.44}$	0.75	$16.24_{-0.17}^{+0.14}$	0.72	$16.35_{-0.09}^{+0.11}$	0.66

(Table continued)

Name	$V_{\text{peak}} = 14 \text{ km s}^{-1}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$	$V_{\text{peak}} = 18 \text{ km s}^{-1}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$	$V_{\text{peak}} = 22 \text{ km s}^{-1}$	$R_{D_{\mathrm{MW}}}$
Leo T	$16.17^{+0.20}_{-0.25}$	0.67	$16.21^{+0.18}_{-0.26}$	0.65	$16.33^{+0.25}_{-0.41}$	0.58
Leo V	$16.14^{+0.29}_{-0.42}$	0.74	$16.20^{+0.27}_{-0.44}$	0.71	$16.32^{+0.27}_{-0.39}$	0.65
Pegasus III	$16.13^{+0.28}_{-0.46}$	0.78	$16.20^{+0.27}_{-0.42}$	0.75	$16.30^{+0.16}_{-0.27}$	0.71
Tucana III	$16.13^{+0.17}_{-0.14}$	0.80	$16.19^{+0.16}_{-0.12}$	0.78	$16.30^{+0.14}_{-0.20}$	0.73
Hercules	$16.11^{+0.19}_{-0.24}$	0.86	$16.12^{+0.20}_{-0.22}$	0.86	$16.18^{+0.27}_{-0.33}$	0.84
Leo IV	$16.06^{+0.28}_{-0.38}$	0.78	$16.10^{+0.29}_{-0.37}$	0.76	$16.14_{-0.21}^{+0.19}$	0.74

TABLE VI. (Continued)



FIG. 13. Posterior distributions of $D_{dSph}(0.5^{\circ})$ for Segue 1, Draco II, Reticulum II, Coma Berenices, and Ursa Major I, obtained with satellite priors with $V_{peak} > 14 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (solid), $V_{peak} > 18 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (dashed), $V_{peak} > 22 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (dot-dashed), and log-uniform priors (dotted).



FIG. 14. Medians of the mixing angle constraints with $\alpha_{int} = 0.5^{\circ}$ for eROSITA computed for individual dSphs compared with the combined limits (thick solid).



FIG. 15. Medians of the dark matter lifetime constraints with $\alpha_{int} = 0.5^{\circ}$ for HAWC computed for individual dSphs compared with the combined limits (thick solid). Top and bottom panels show the results of $b\bar{b}$ and $\tau^+\tau^-$ final states, respectively.

with $\alpha_{\rm int} = 0.05^{\circ}$. Additionally, the relative contribution of the Milky-Way *D* factor is shown for all the dSphs as a fractional contribution $R_{D_{\rm MW}} \equiv D_{\rm MW}/(D_{\rm MW} + D_{\rm dSph})$. In the case of the classical dSphs, the posterior densities were only calculated by employing $V_{\rm peak} > 25 \ {\rm km \ s^{-1}}$, while a few values of $V_{\rm peak}$ are explored for the ultrafaint dSphs.

Subsequently, in order to provide further visualization of the characteristics of the posterior distributions resulting from the parameter inference analysis, in Fig. 13 we present the D-factor posterior distributions as shown in Fig. 1

for some of the most promising dwarf galaxies for $\alpha_{int} = 0.5^{\circ}$.

Lastly, we provide the constraints on the sterile neutrino mixing angle $\sin^2 2\theta$ for the eROSITA, and dark matter lifetime for the HAWC, resulting from the individual likelihood analysis of the known dSphs in Figs. 14 and 15, respectively. In these figures, We show only the medians of the constraints. These figures demonstrates that the overall constraints are much improved by gathering the statistical power of each individual dSph analyses.

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