



**ROADMAP OF DARK MATTER MODELS FOR RUN3  
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**Cosmological perspectives and  
constraints on t-channel models**

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# Cosmology of t-channel models

- The work presented here is based on several contributions
  - T-channel white paper (cosmo section effort), together with M. Becker, E. Copello, M. Garny, J. Harz, J. Heisig, A. Ibarra, S. Khalil, M. Kirtiman, Y. Koay, L. Lopez Honorez, T. Murphy, L. Panizzi, D. Sengupta and S. Tentori
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# Cosmology of t-channel models

- Brief overview of the minimal simplified t-channel models
- Early universe physics and constraints on such models
- Today's probes from astroparticle and dark matter experiments
- Complementarity with collider searches for few selected benchmarks

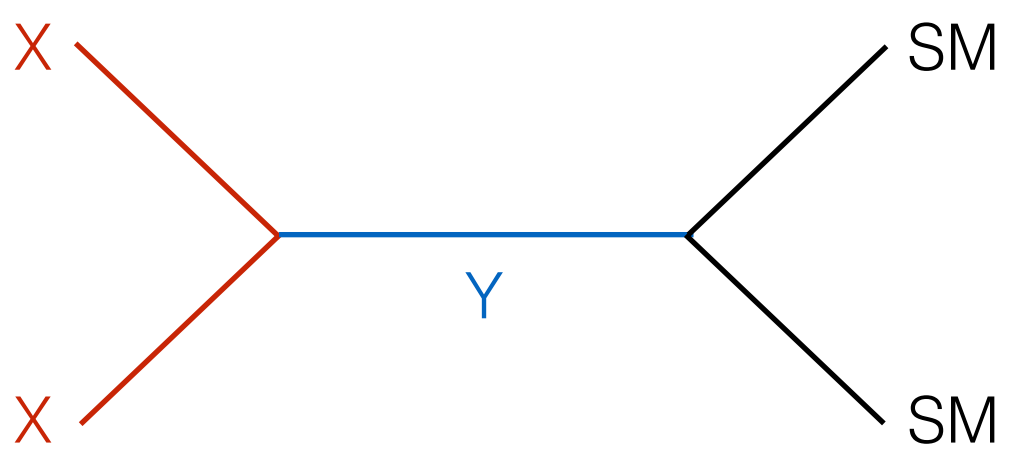
**HERE CONSIDERED ONLY COLORED MEDIATORS COUPLING TO QUARKS**

**UNDERLINE THE DIFFERENCES WHEN RELEVANT THAT DEPEND ON THE QUARK GENERATION**

**HOWEVER T-CHANNEL CAN APPEAR UNDER MANY FORMS (SEE TALKS THIS MORNING) AND CAN BE LEPTOPHILIC AS WELL**

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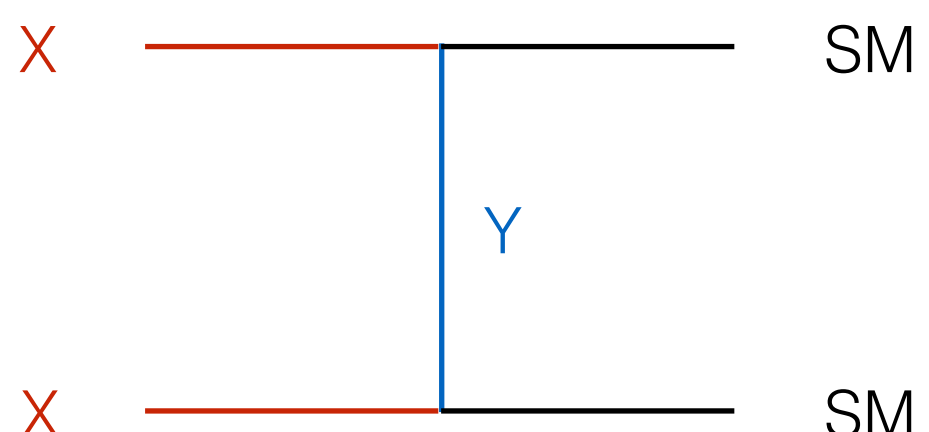
S-CHANNEL MODELS



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- Y decays into 2 DM or 2 SM particles (typically quarks)
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Several model files at LO/NLO available [here](#)

T-CHANNEL MODELS (this talk)



- Y is charged under the dark symmetry
- Y decays into 1 DM and 1 SM particle
- Y can be coloured if it couples to quarks as well as gluons
- X is a SM gauge singlet
- The model can be leptophilic



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New couplings  
3x3 matrices in flavour space  
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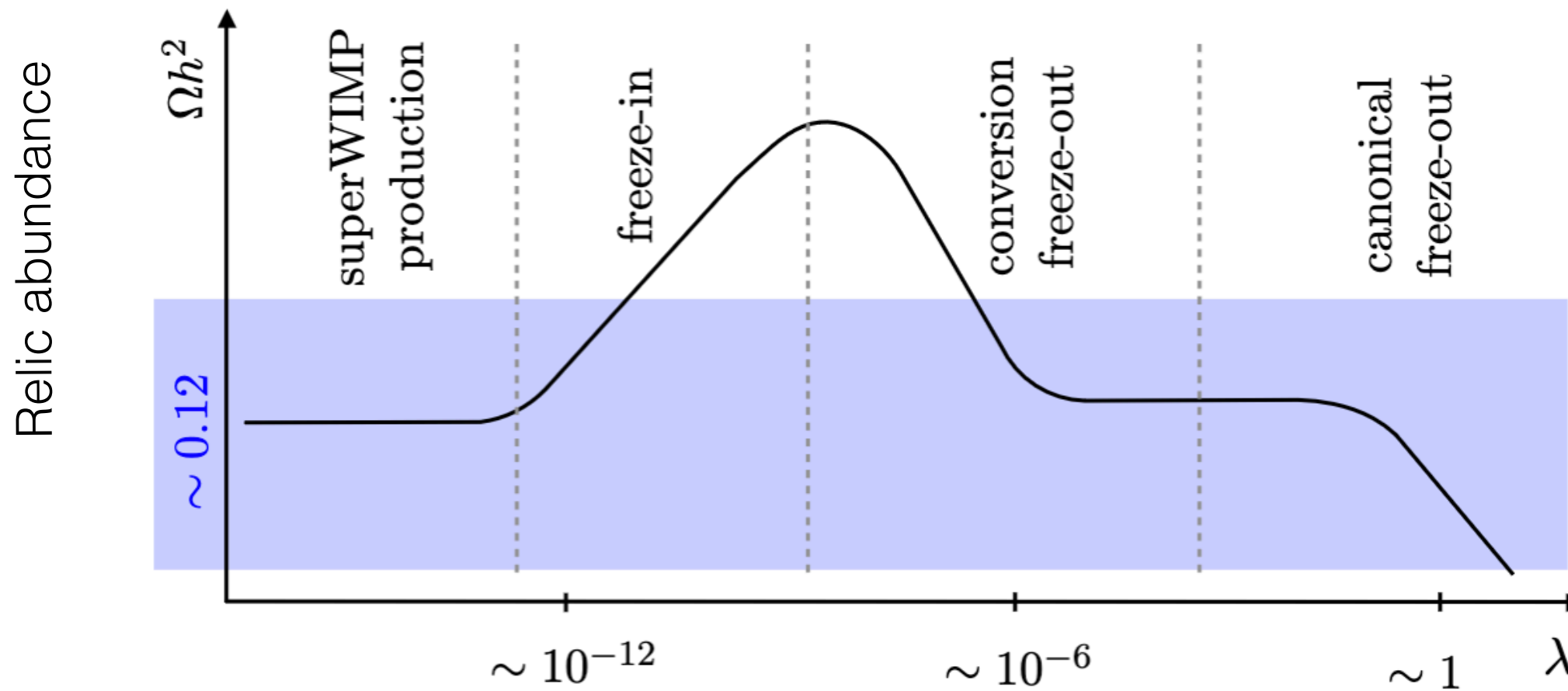
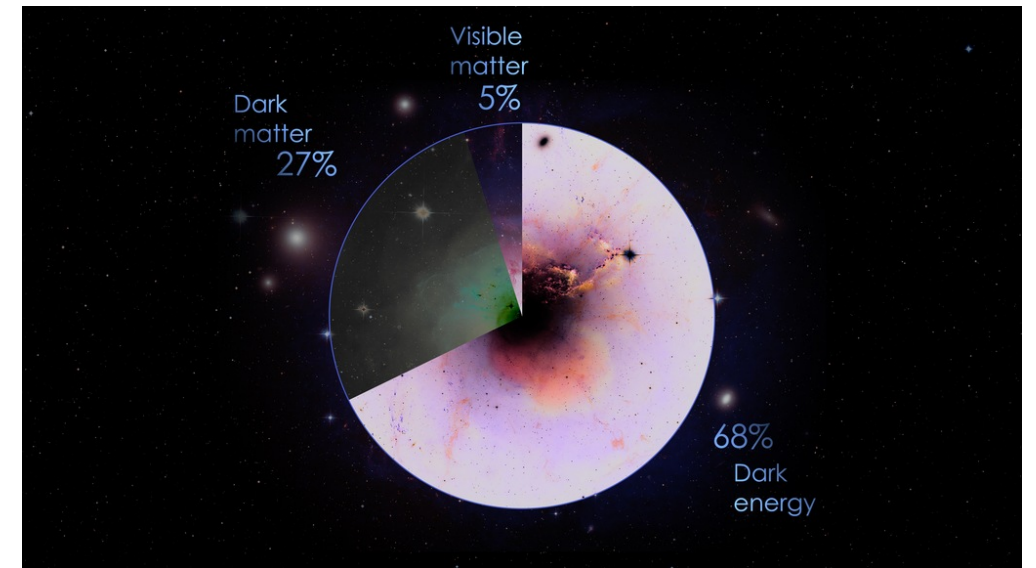
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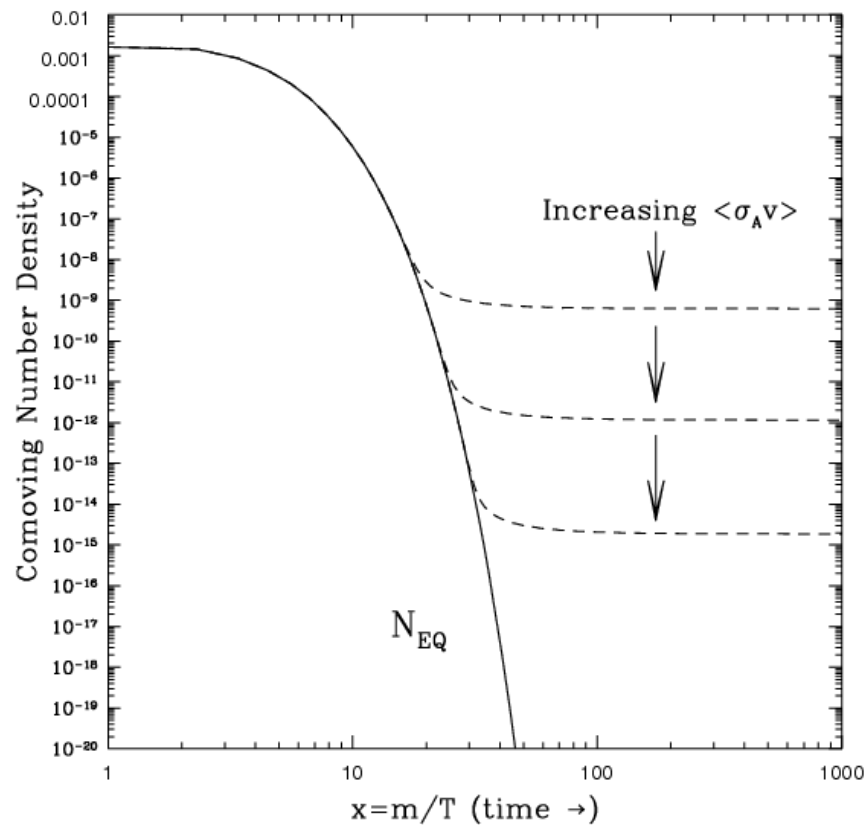
# Early universe

Credit: NASA

$\Omega h^2 = 0.12$  PLANCK SATELLITE  
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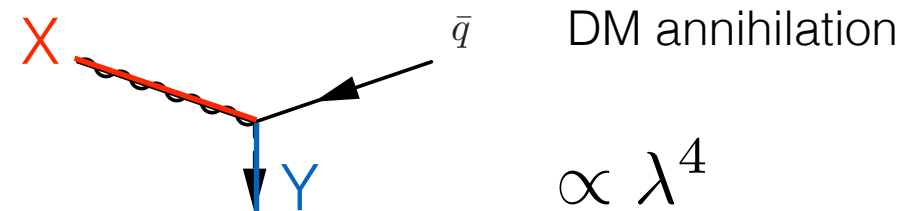


# Early universe: freeze-out

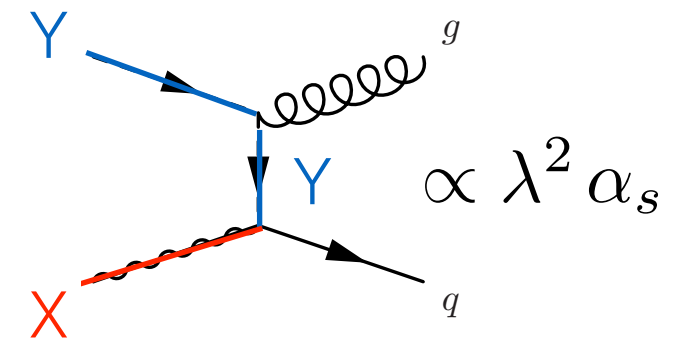
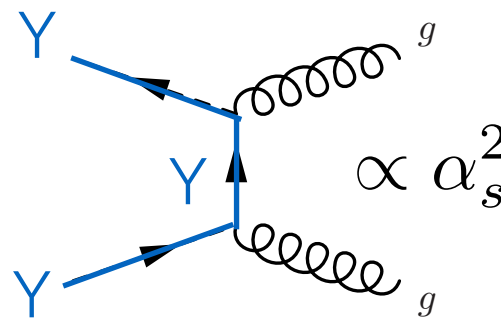


**LARGE COUPLING = WIMP  
DETECTABLE SIGNATURES IN  
DIRECT, INDIRECT SEARCH  
EXPERIMENT FOR DARK MATTER  
AND AT COLLIDERS**

## TYPICALLY LO PROCESSES ARE DOMINANT



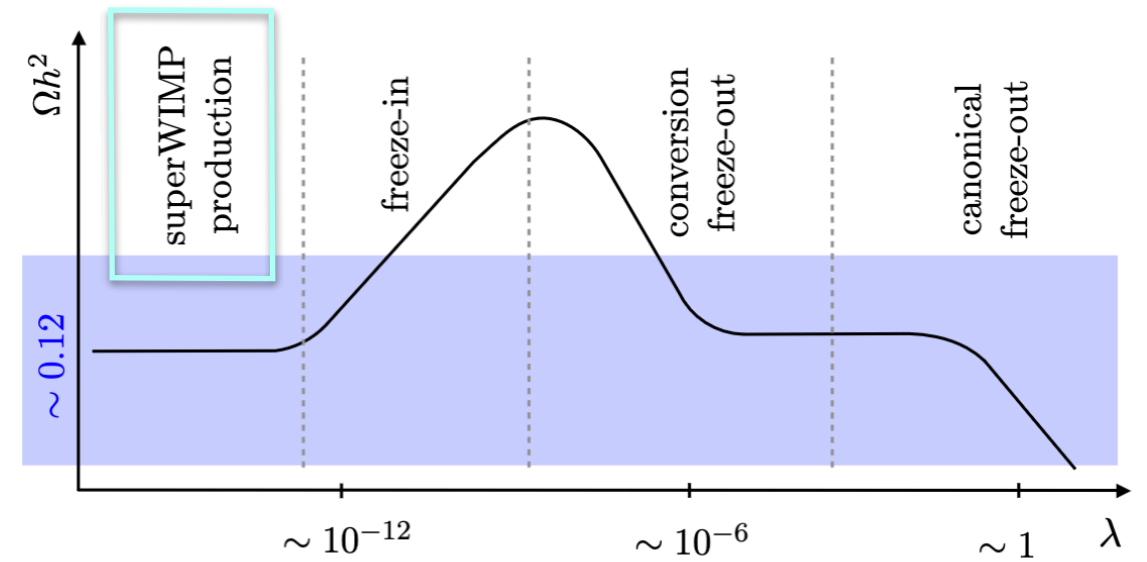
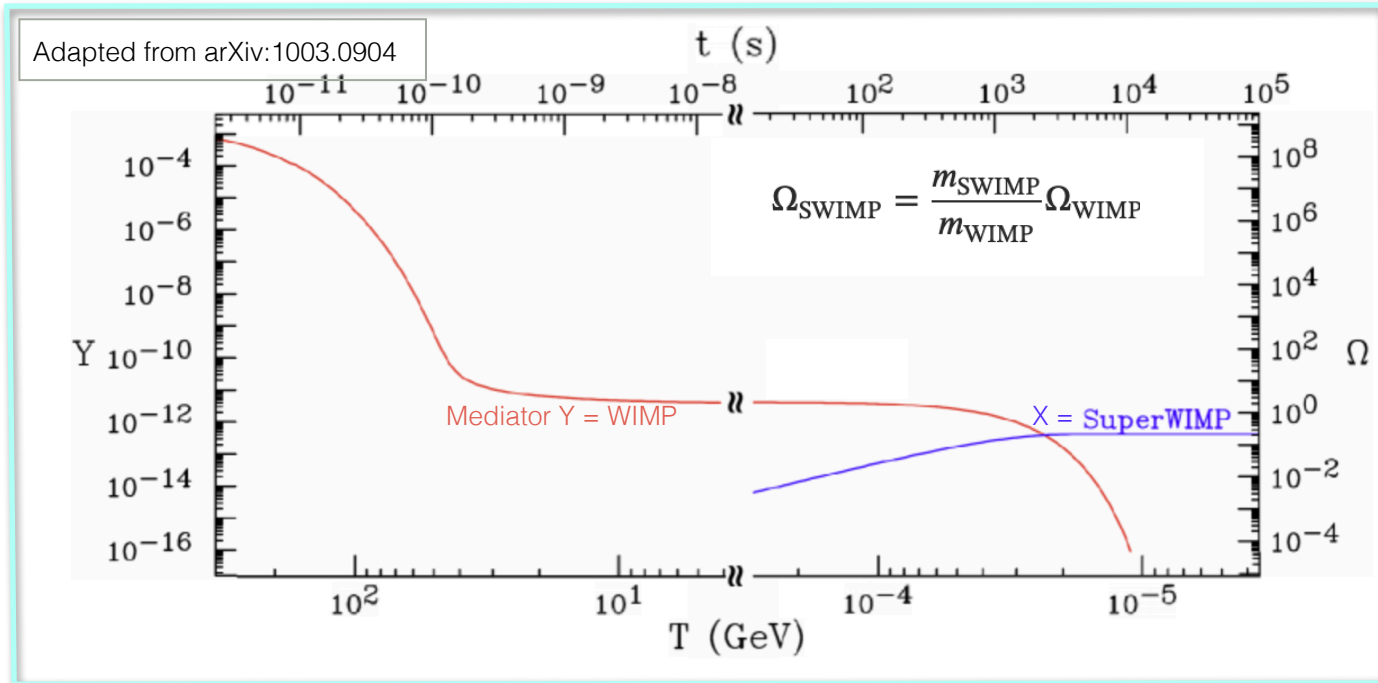
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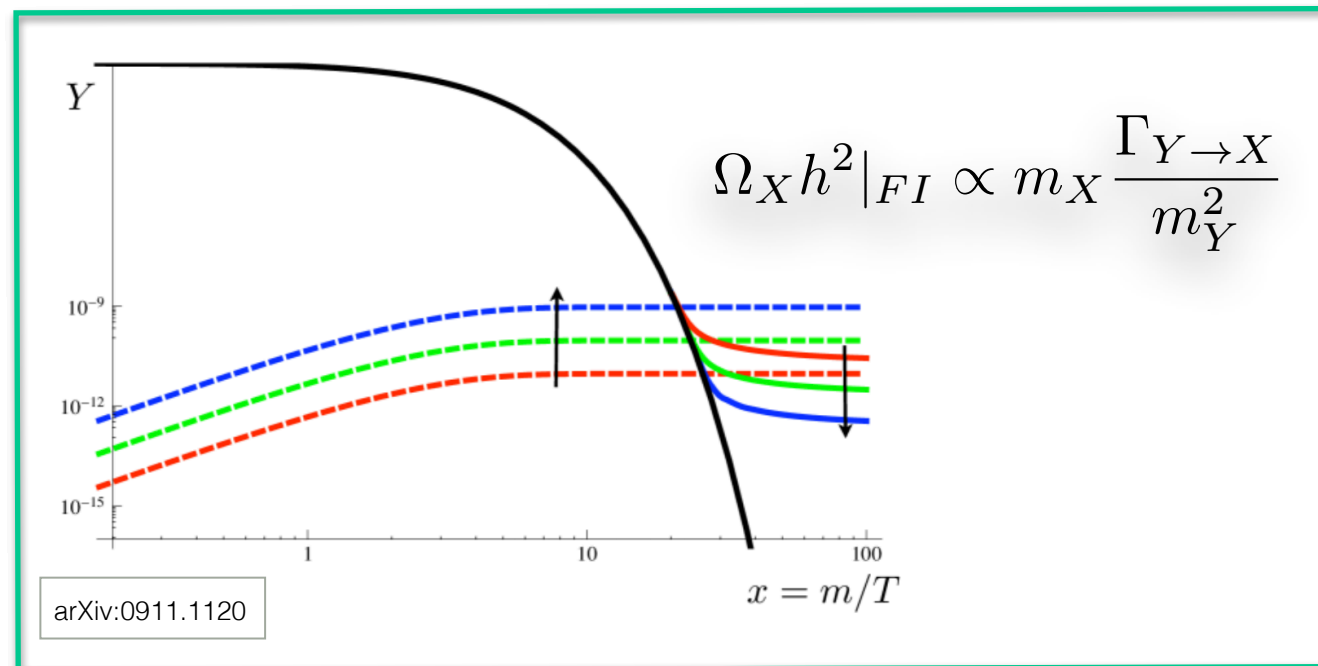
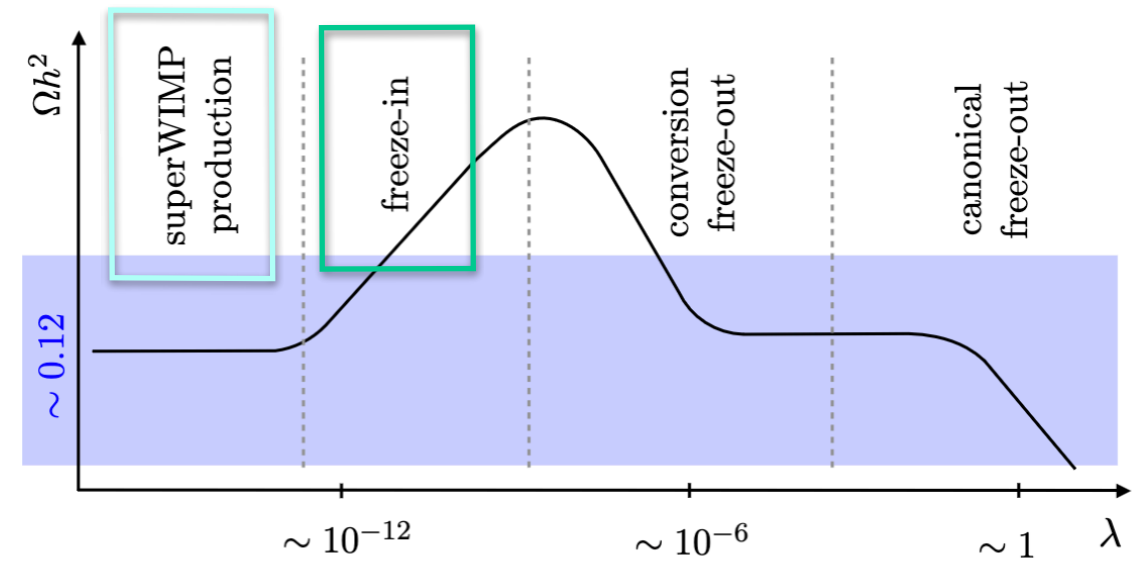
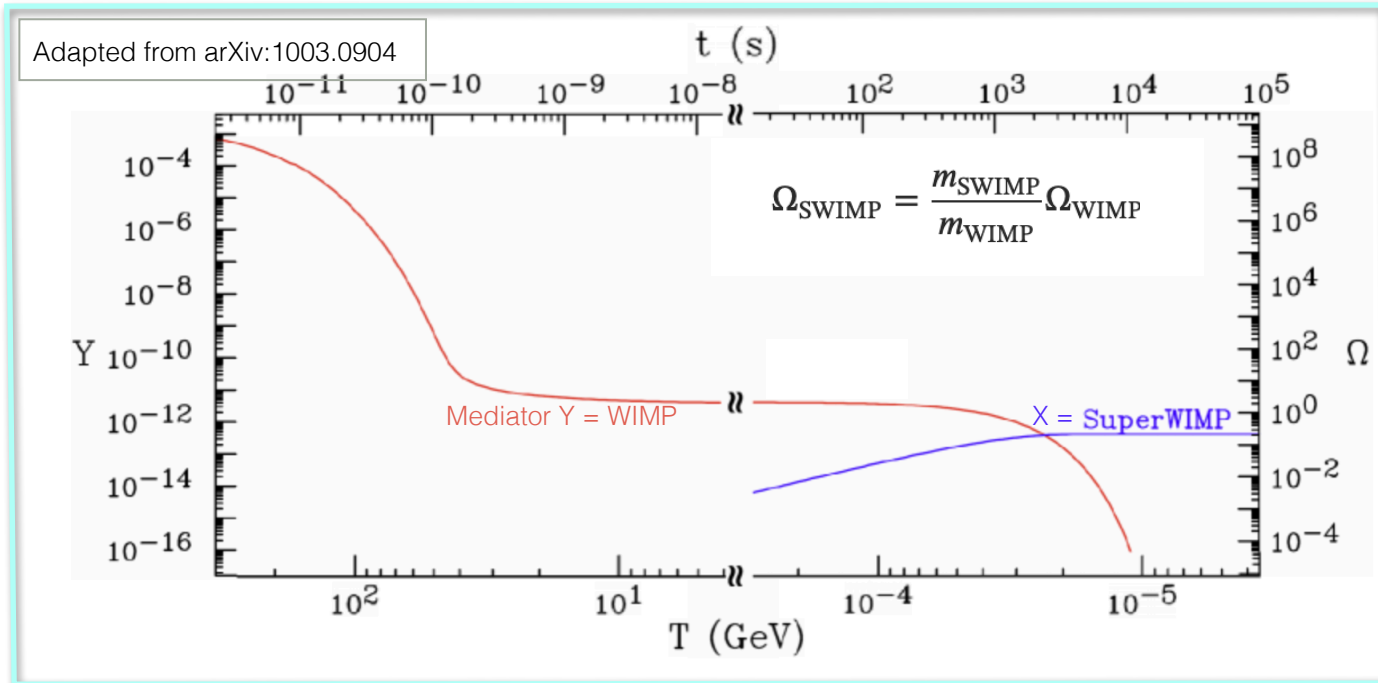
- Sommerfeld enhancement and bound state formation can be relevant when mediators are light ( $YY \rightarrow qq$ ,  $YY \rightarrow gg$ )
- For d-wave suppressed annihilation cross-sections NLO corrections are relevant
- Pheno is basically the same for all quark flavours (threshold effects for heavy quarks)



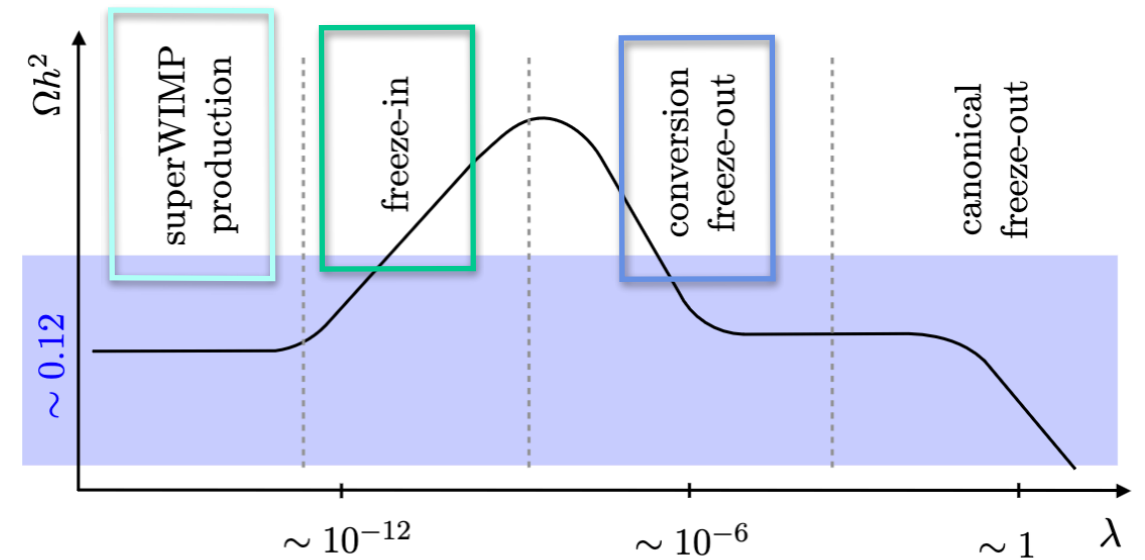
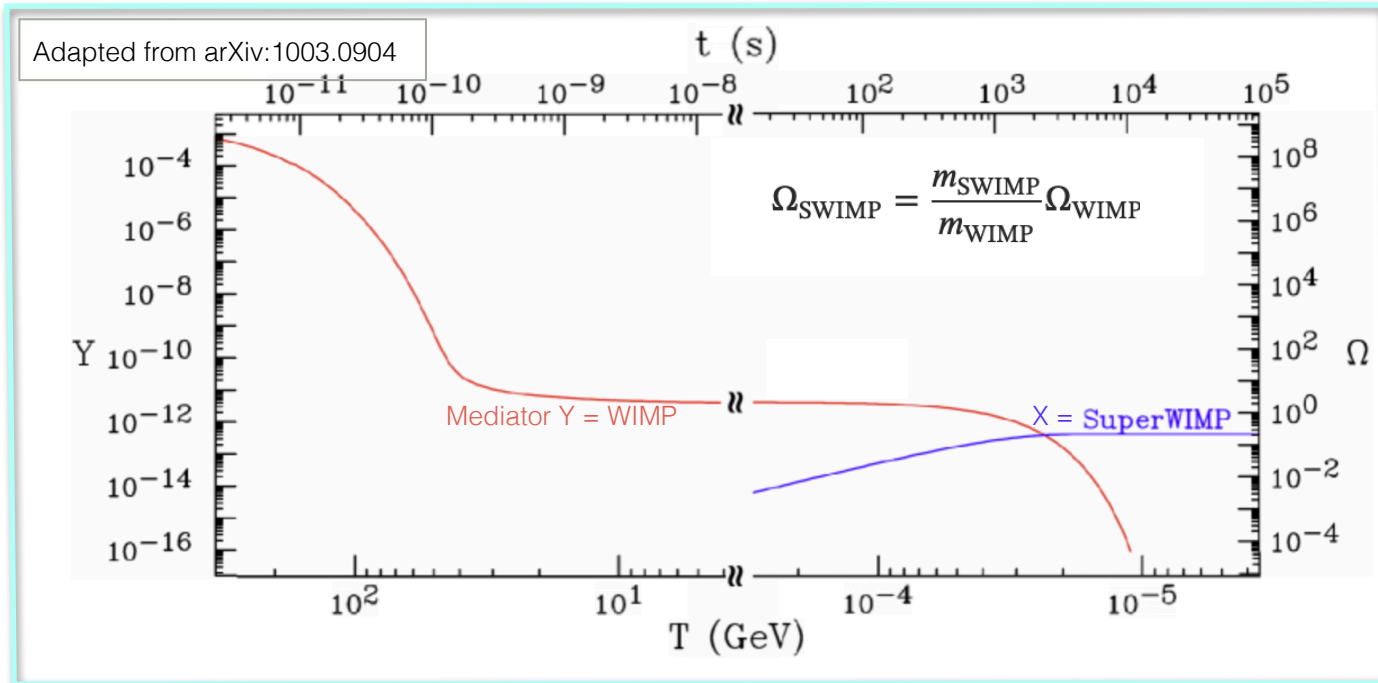
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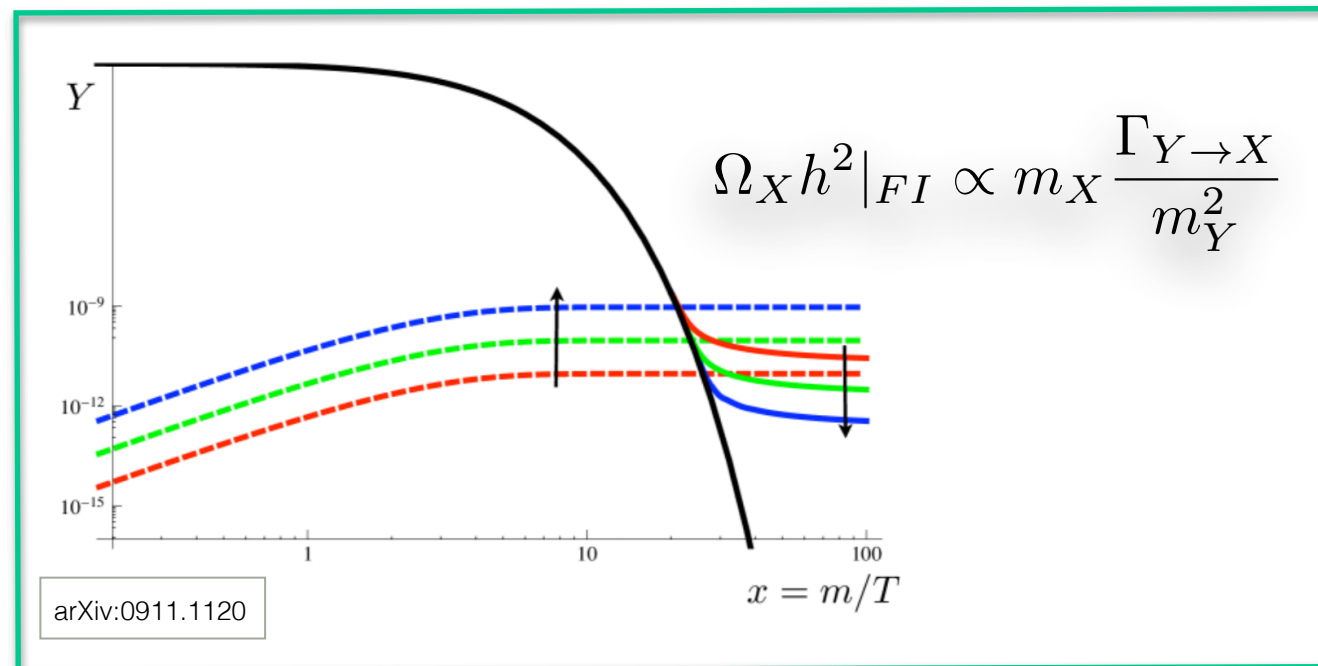


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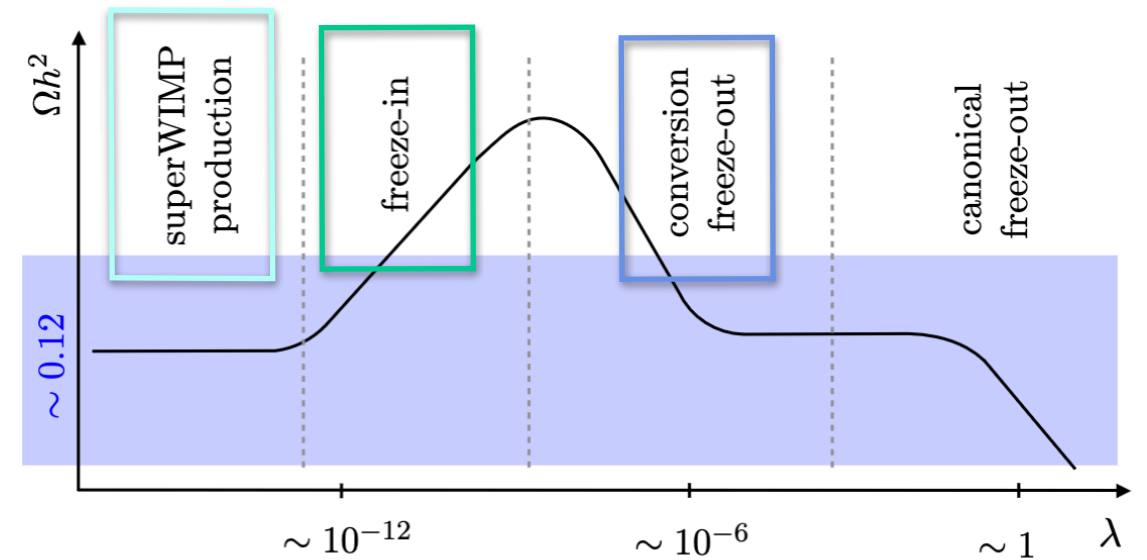
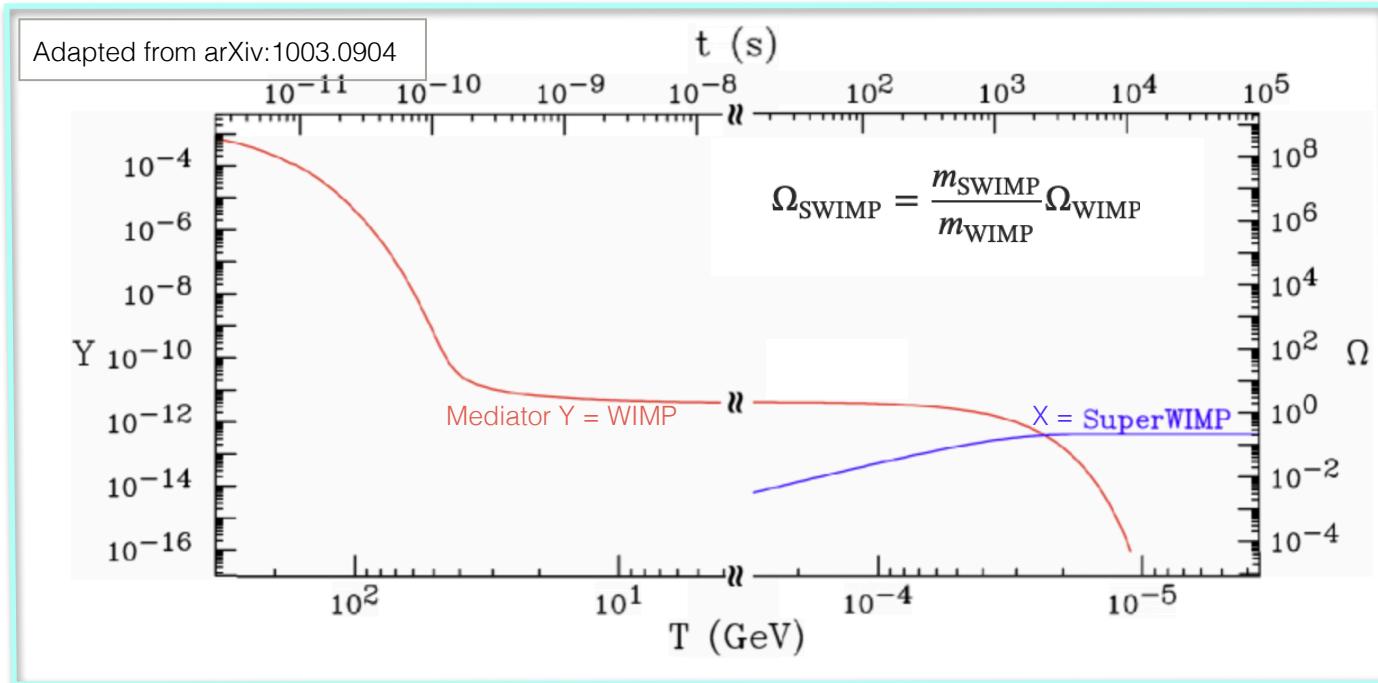


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Much more in J. Heisig talk

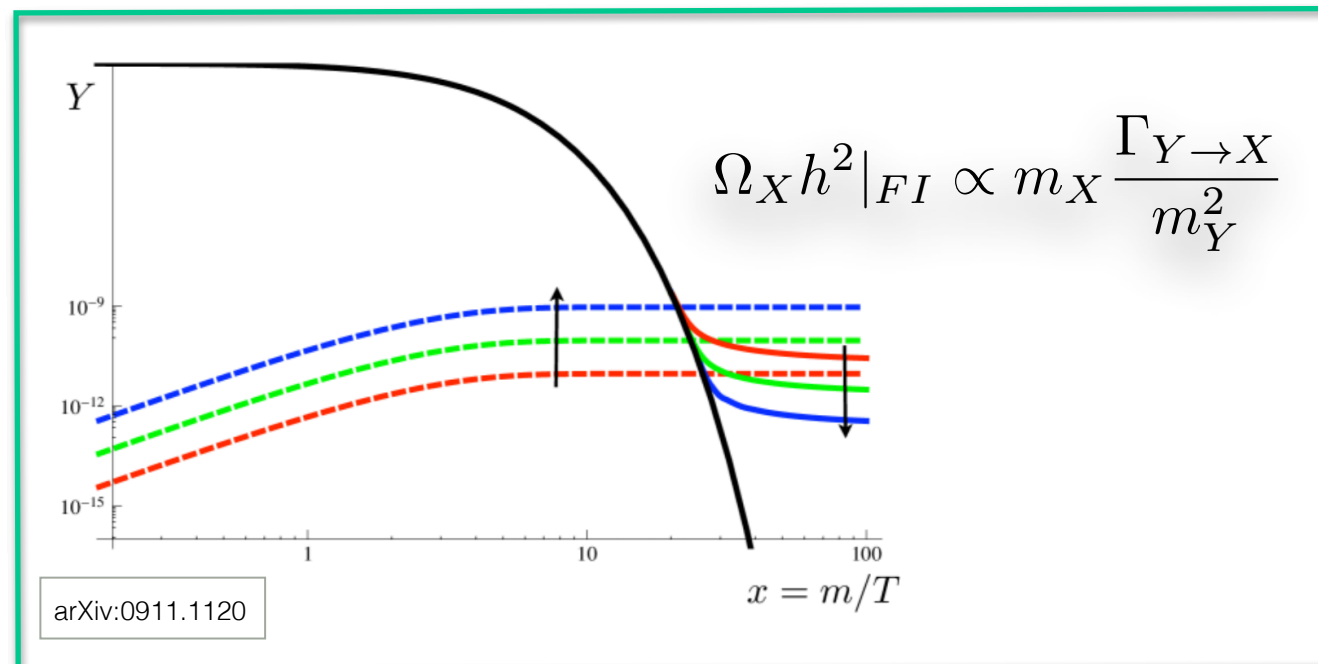


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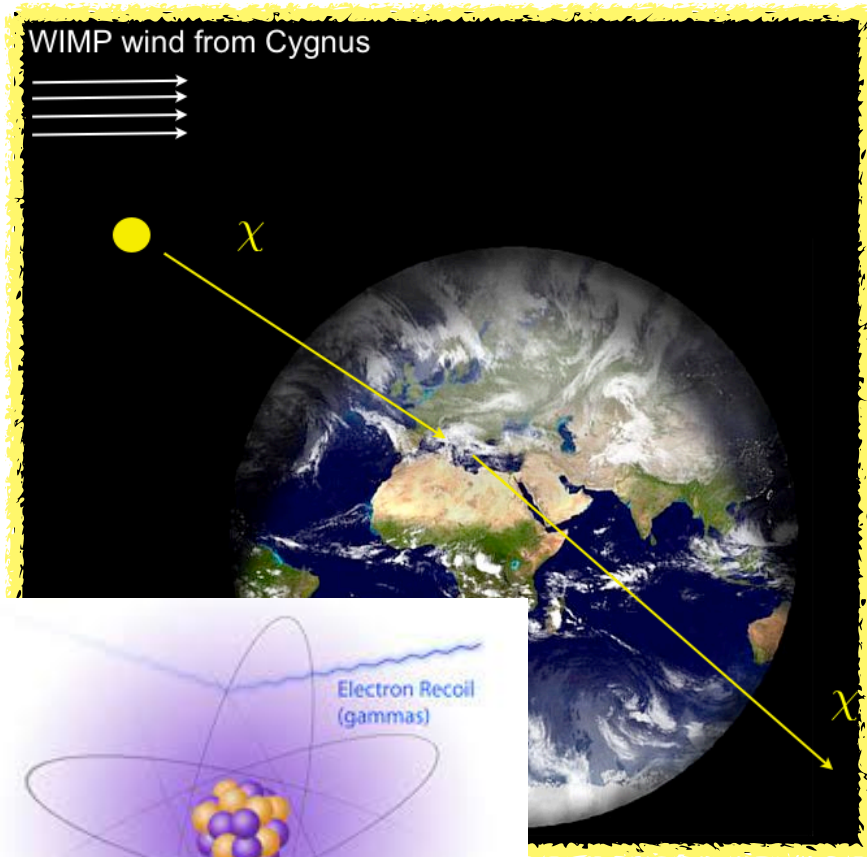
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## SMALL COUPLINGS

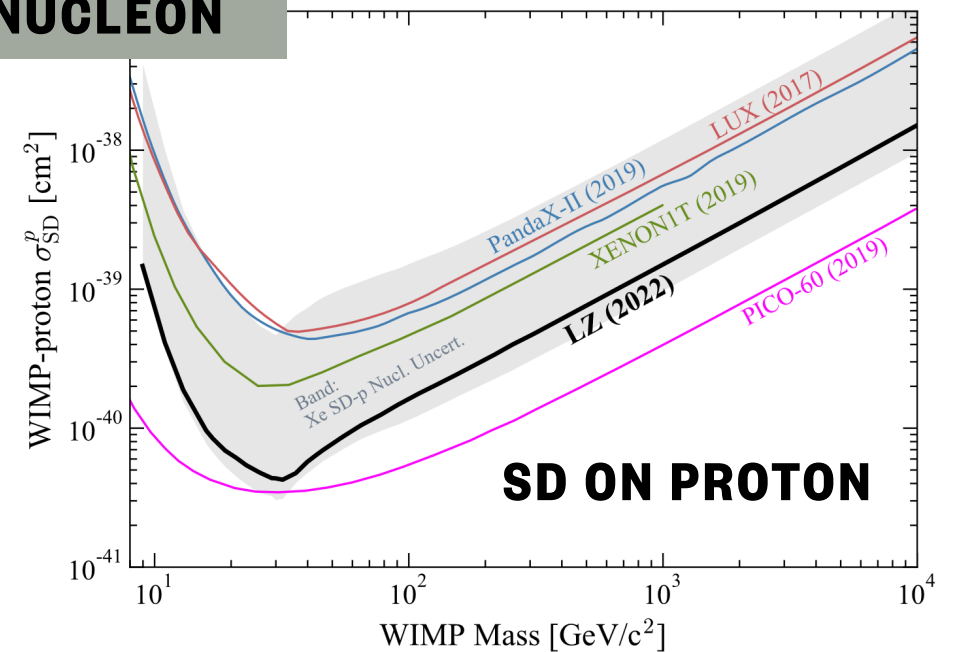
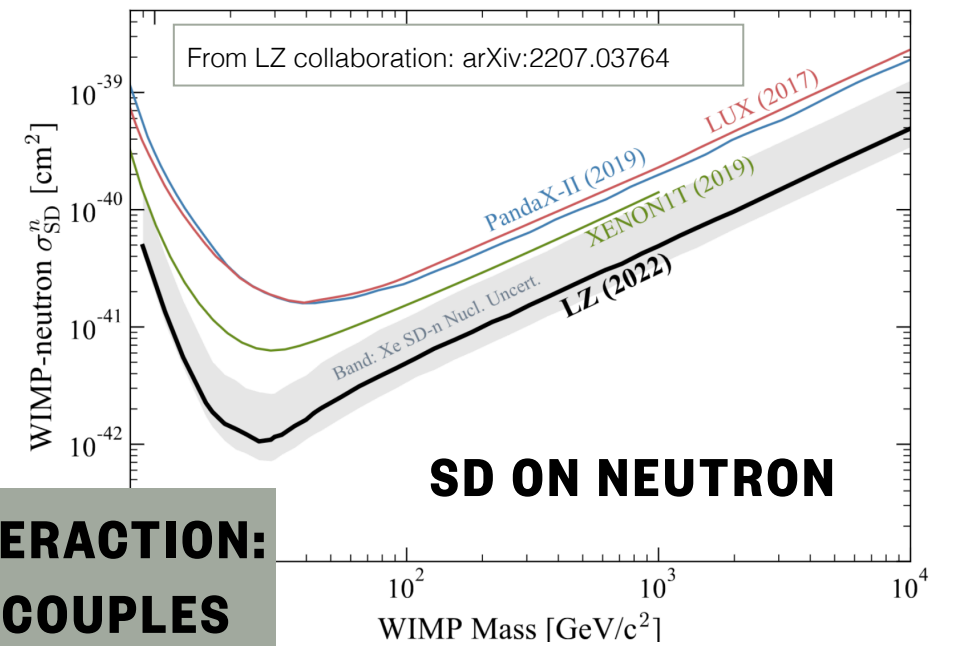
- CHALLENGING TO SEE IN DARK MATTER SEARCHES
- PROVIDE LLP SIGNALS AT LHC
- CAN HAVE VERY COMPRESSED SPECTRUM
- CONSTRAINTS FROM EARLY UNIVERSE (E.G. LYMAN- $\alpha$ , CMB, BBN)

# Direct detection of WIMPs



**DARK MATTER - NUCLEON SCATTERING IN UNDERGROUND DETECTOR**

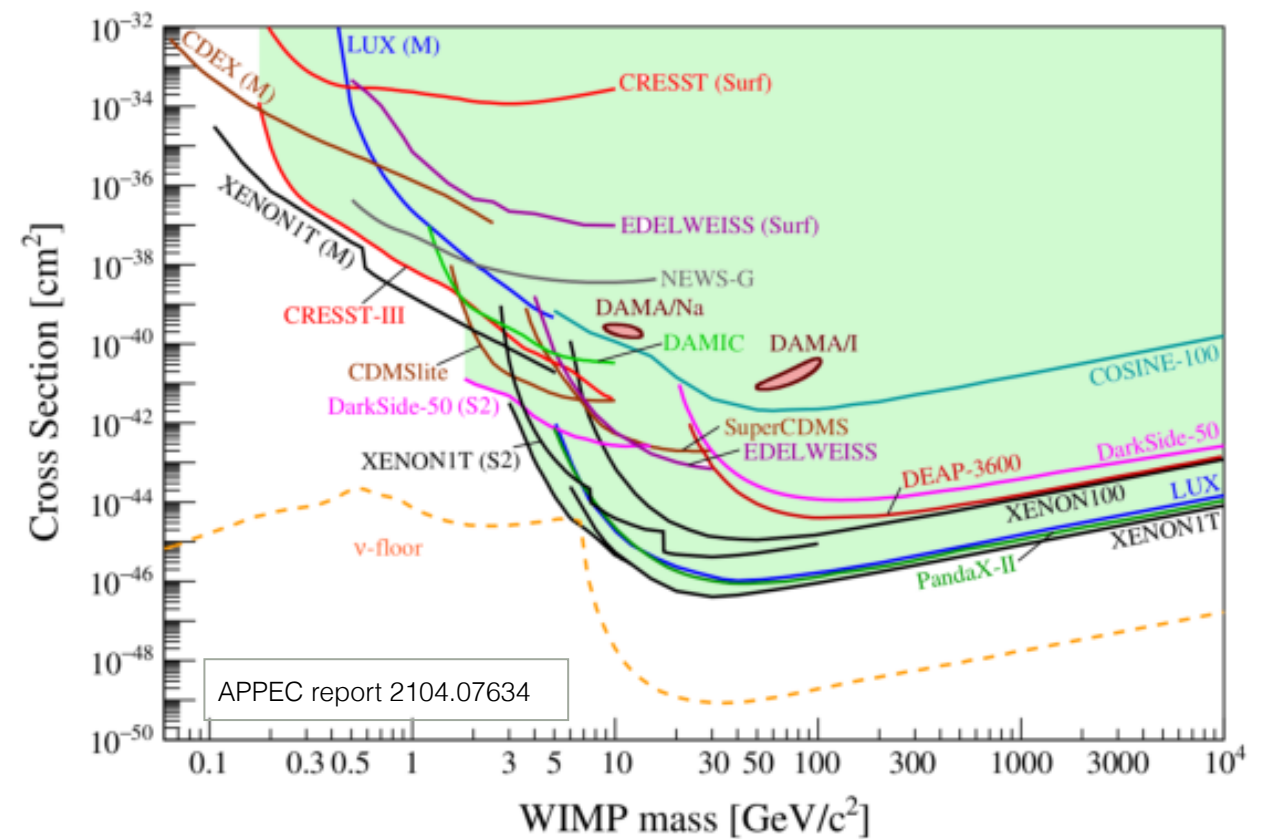
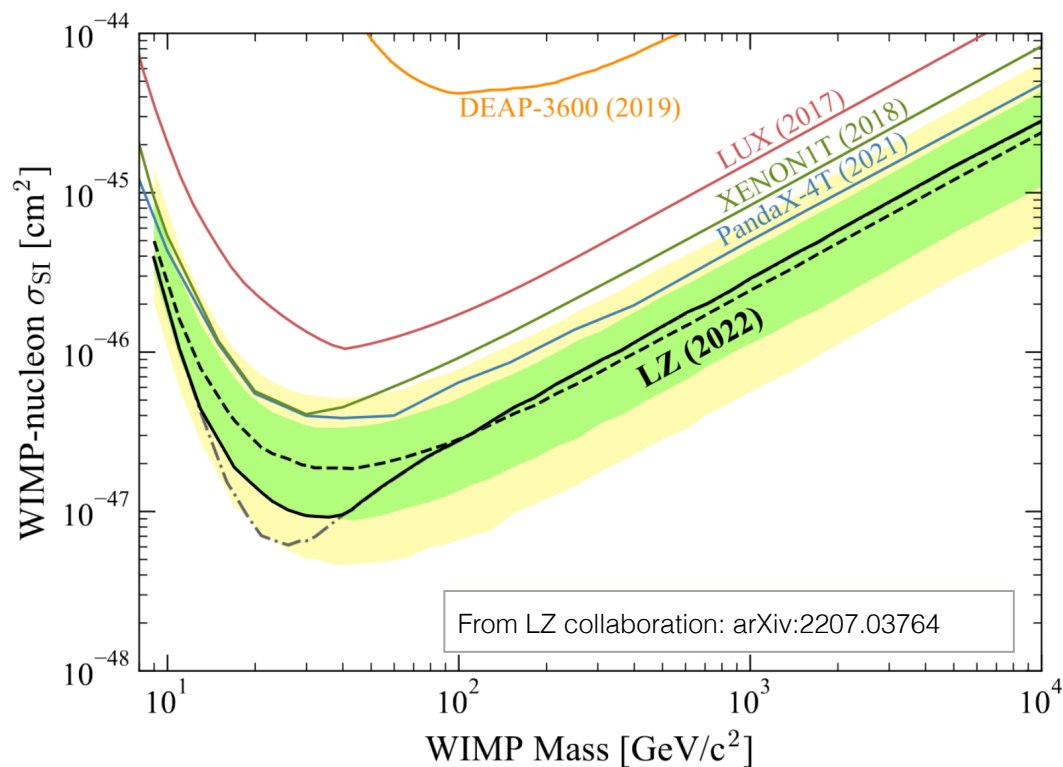
**SPIN-DEPENDENT INTERACTION:  
DARK MATTER SPIN COUPLES  
TO THE UNPAIRED NUCLEON**





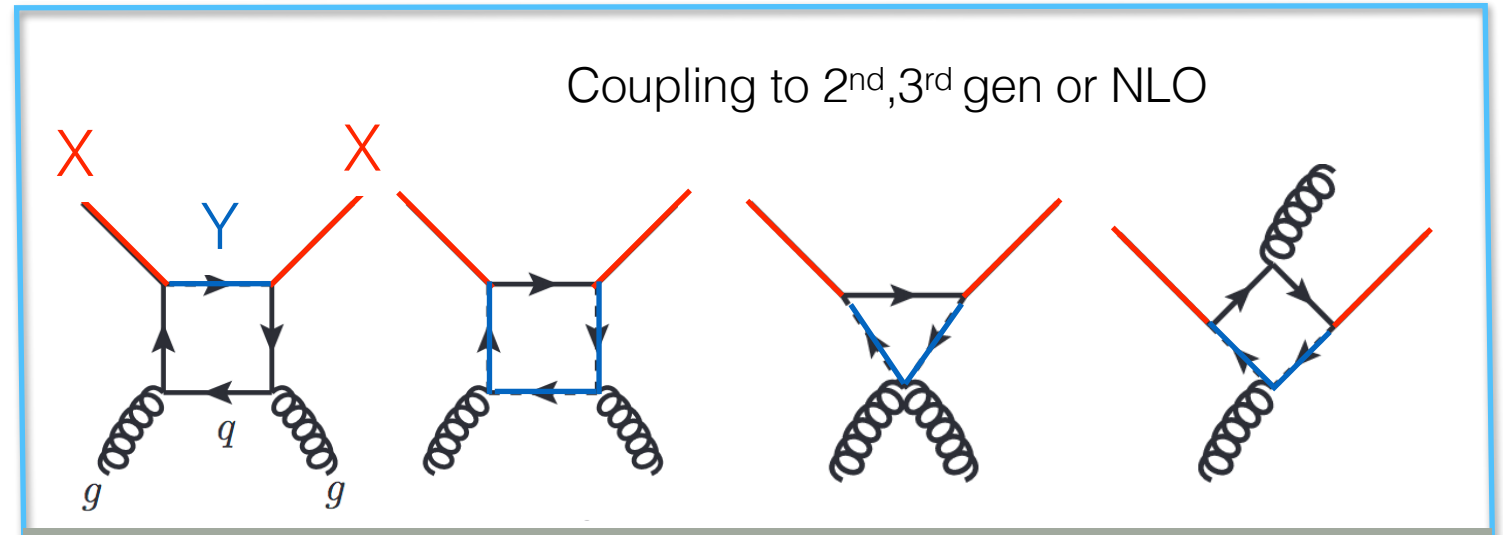
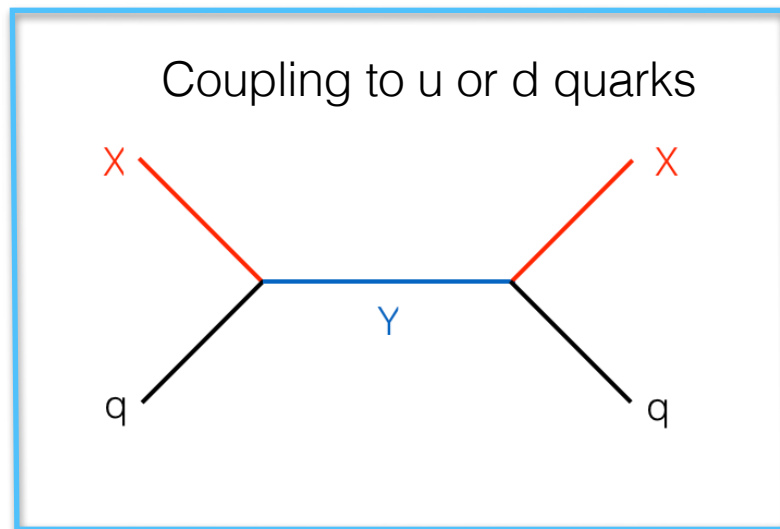
# Direct detection of WIMPs

**SPIN-INDEPENDENT INTERACTION: DARK MATTER COUPLES TO ALL NUCLEONS (SENSITIVE TO  $A^2$ )**



**DIRECT DETECTION SENSITIVE UP TO TENS OF TEV IN DARK MATTER MASS ( $\propto m_X^{-2}$ )**

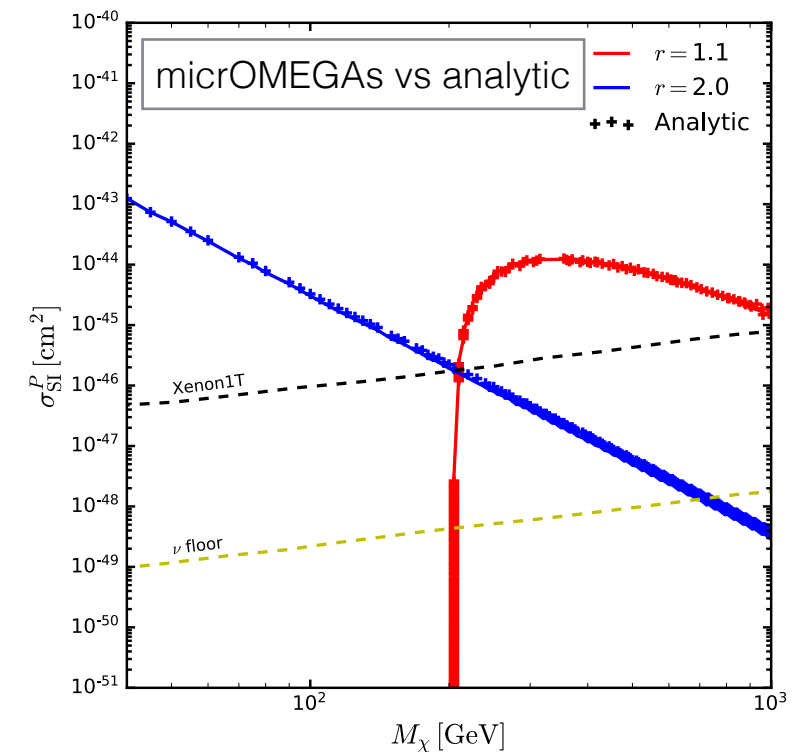
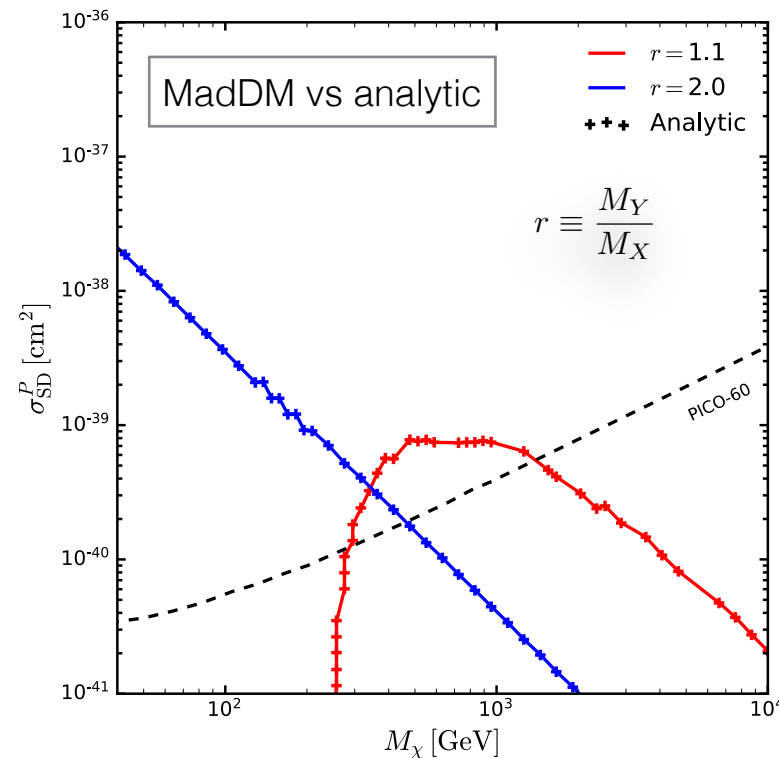
# Direct detection of WIMPs



**GIVEN THE EXPERIMENTAL SENSITIVITY, NLO MATTERS**

## FOR MAJORANA COUPLING TO UR (S3M\_UR) DIRECT DETECTION IS:

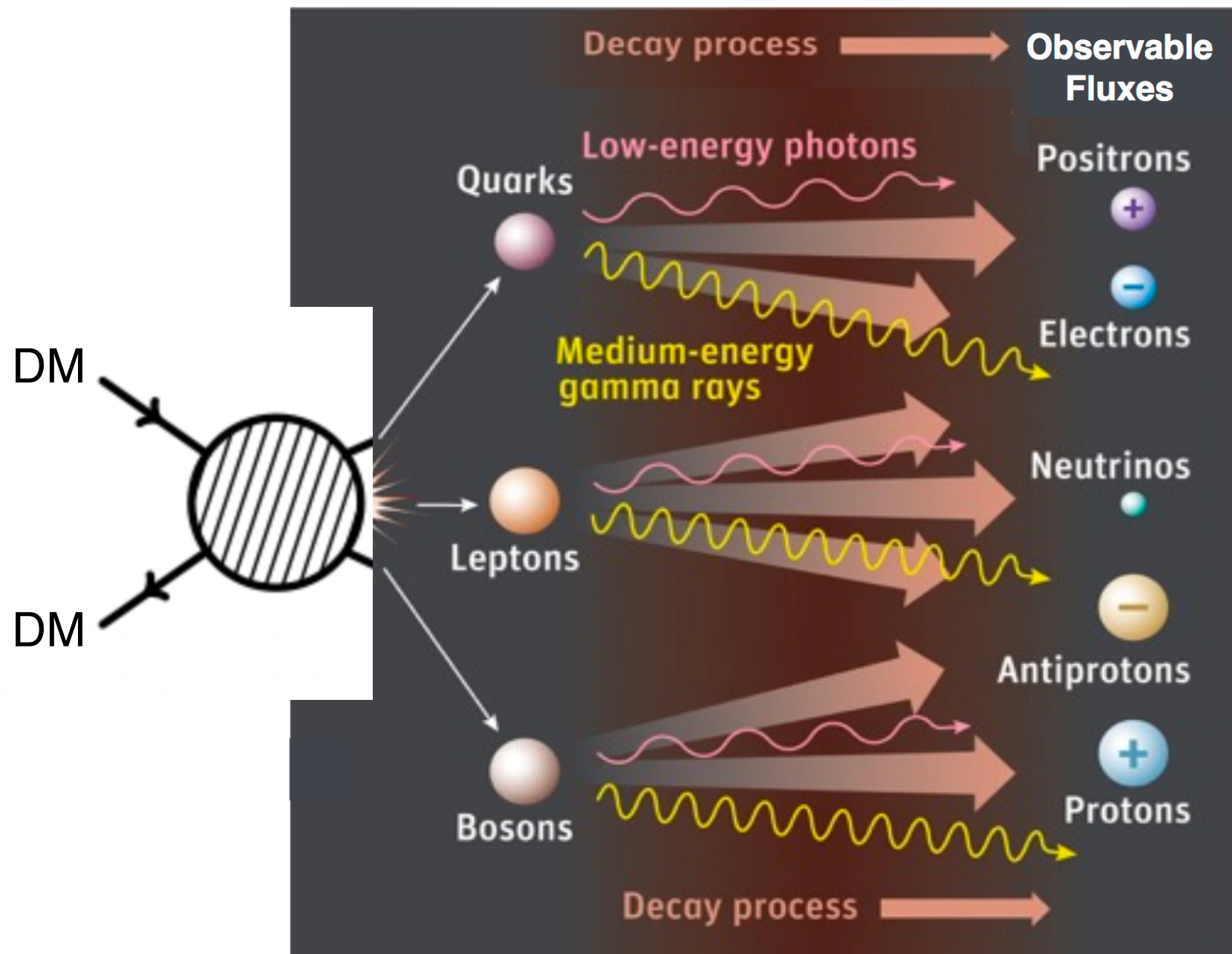
- LO FOR SPIN-DEPENDENT (MADDM TOOL)
- NLO FOR SPIN-INDEPENDENT (MICROMEAS TOOL)
- ANALYTIC EXPRESSIONS [HISANO ET AL. (JHEP 2015)]



**UFO AT LO AND NLO CAN BE USED DIRECTLY INTO DARK MATTER TOOLS**

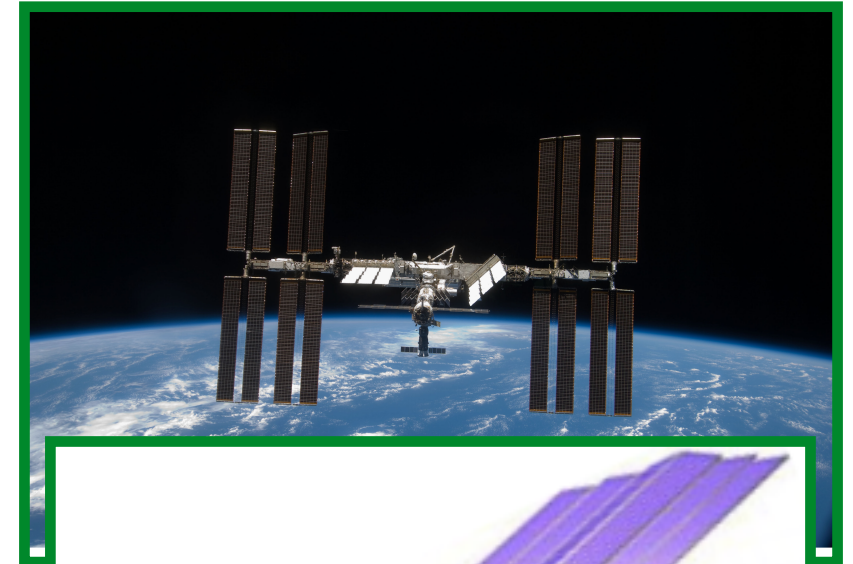
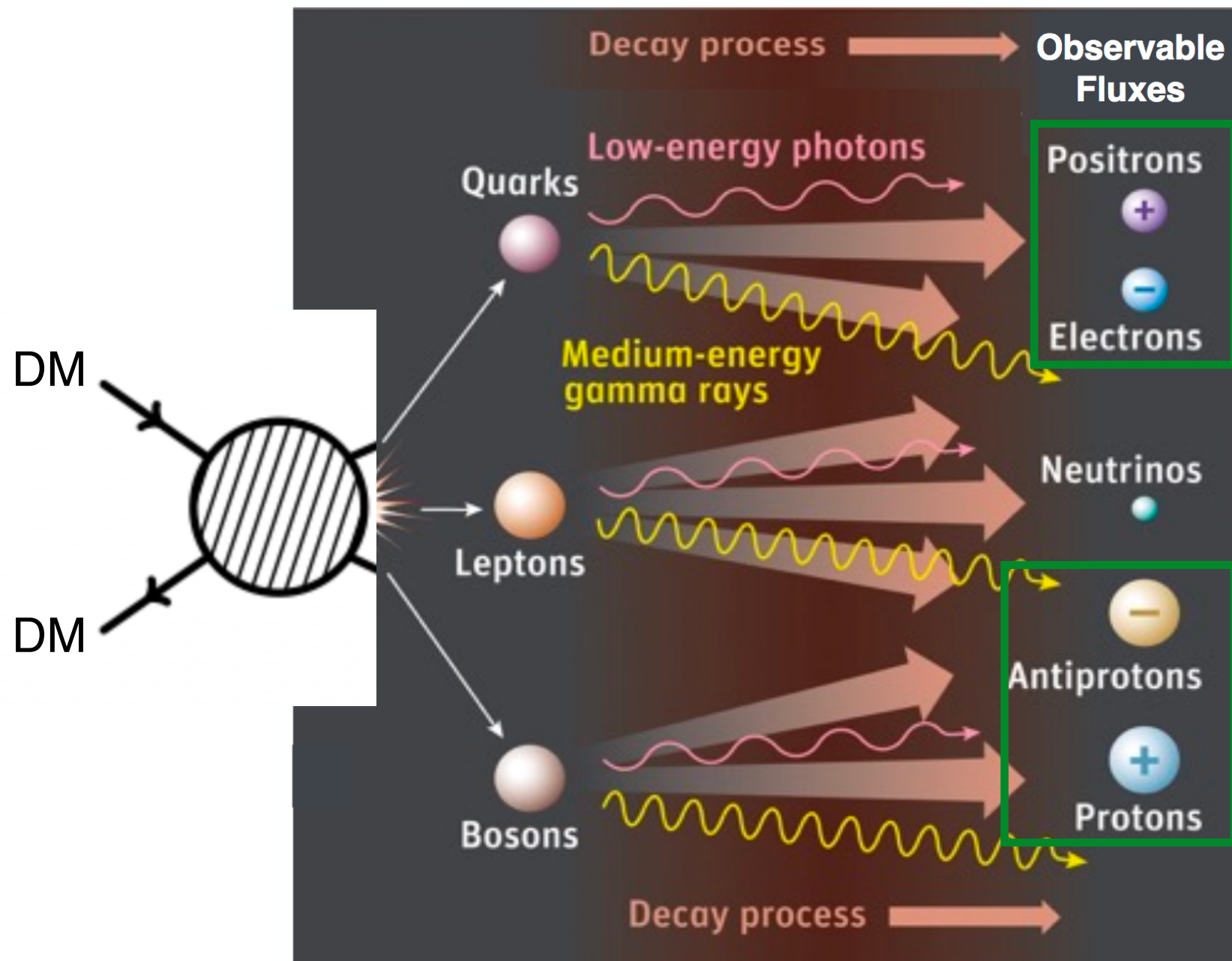
# Indirect detection

## Prompt flux



# Indirect detection

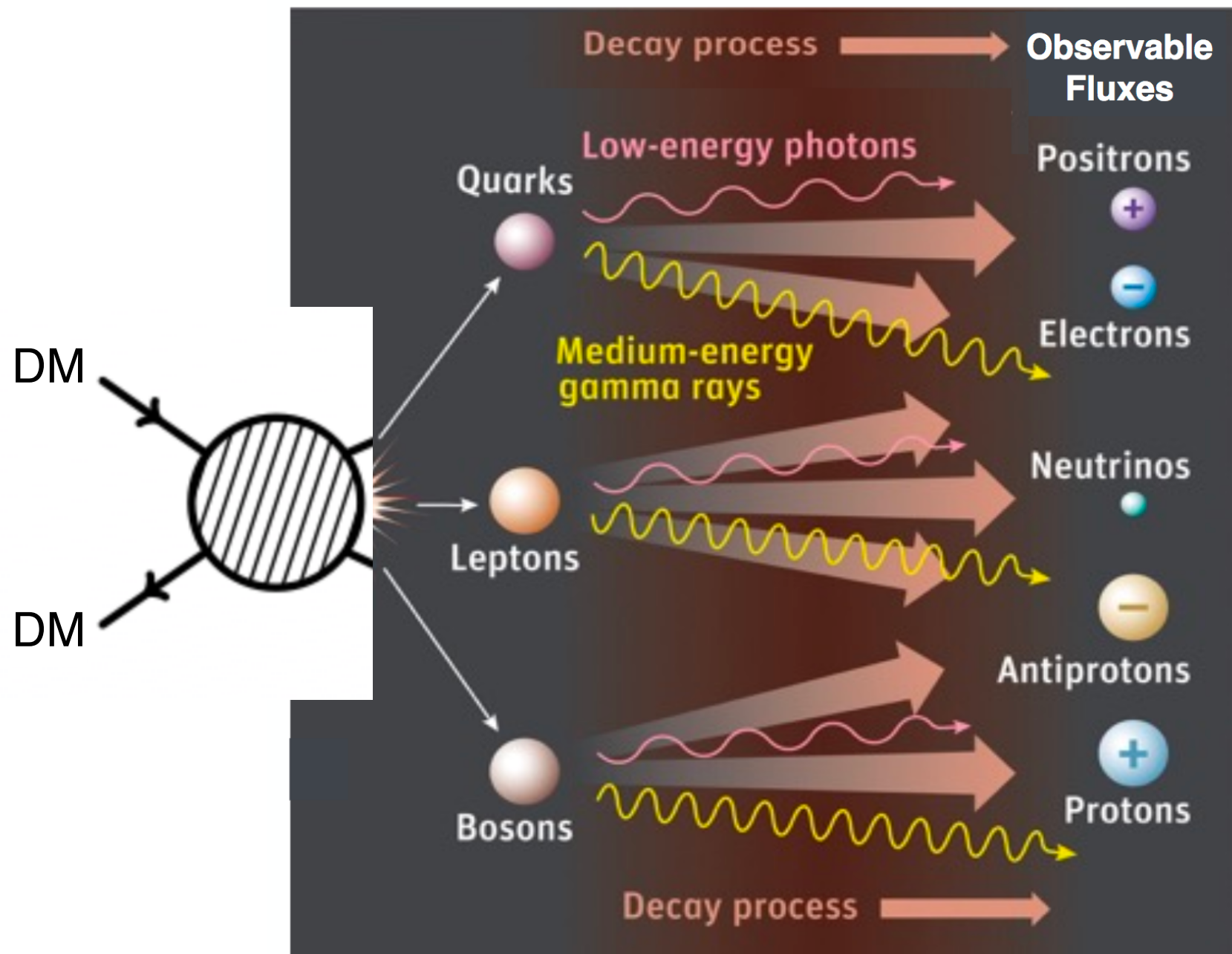
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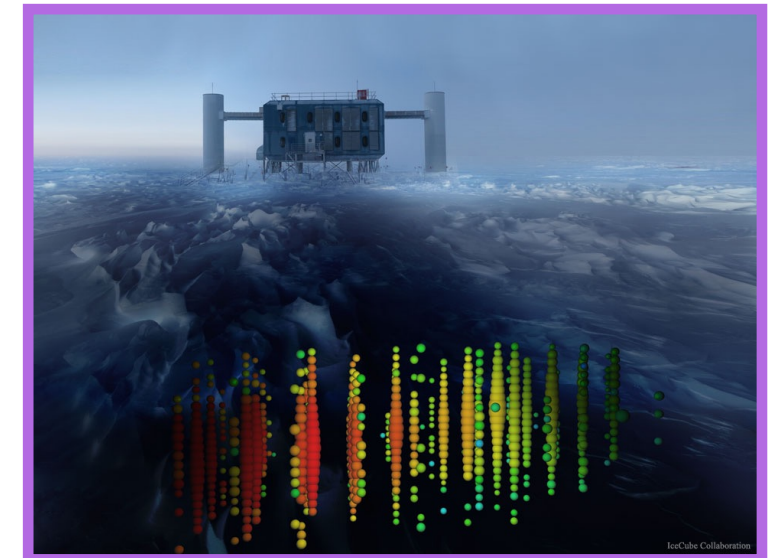
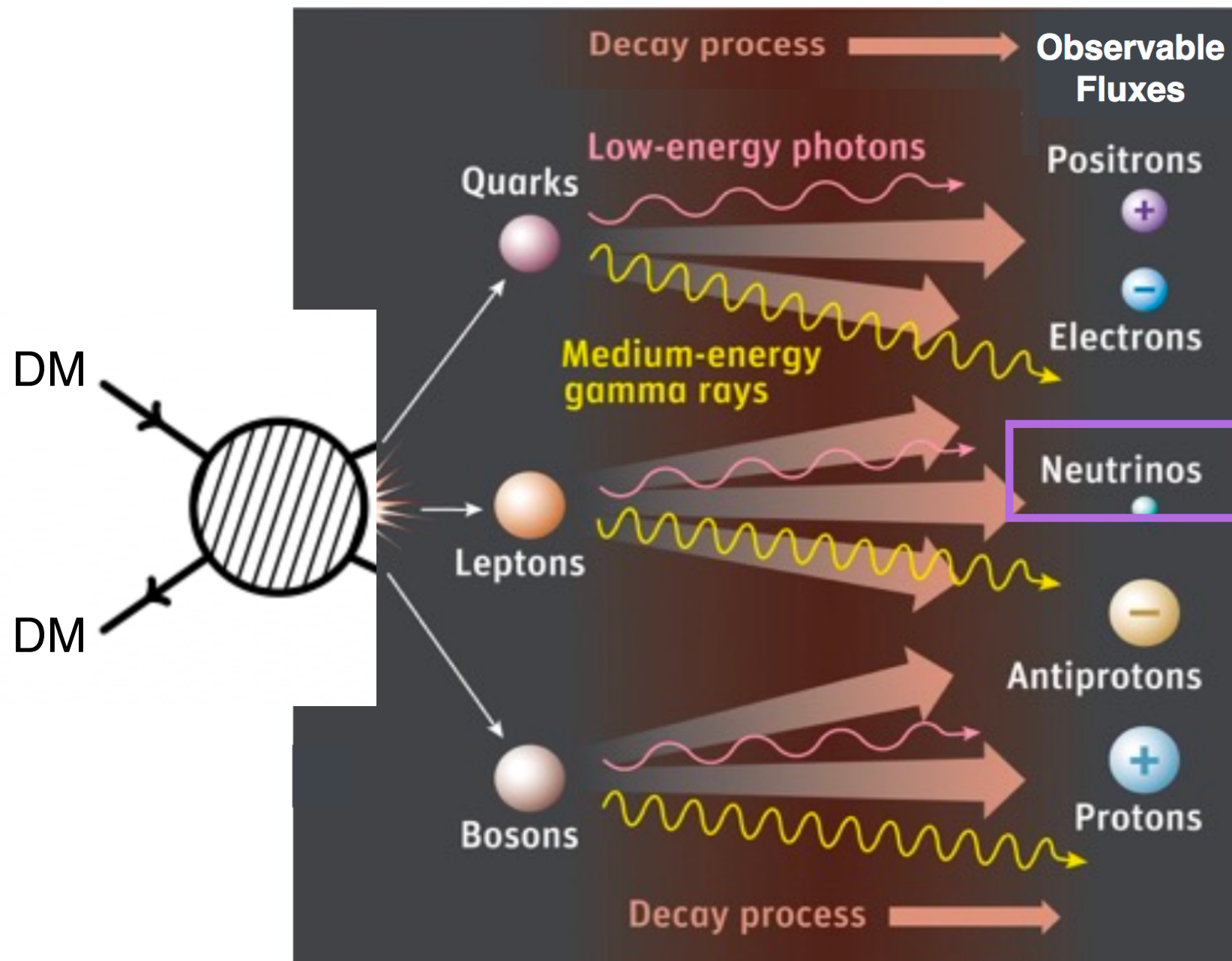
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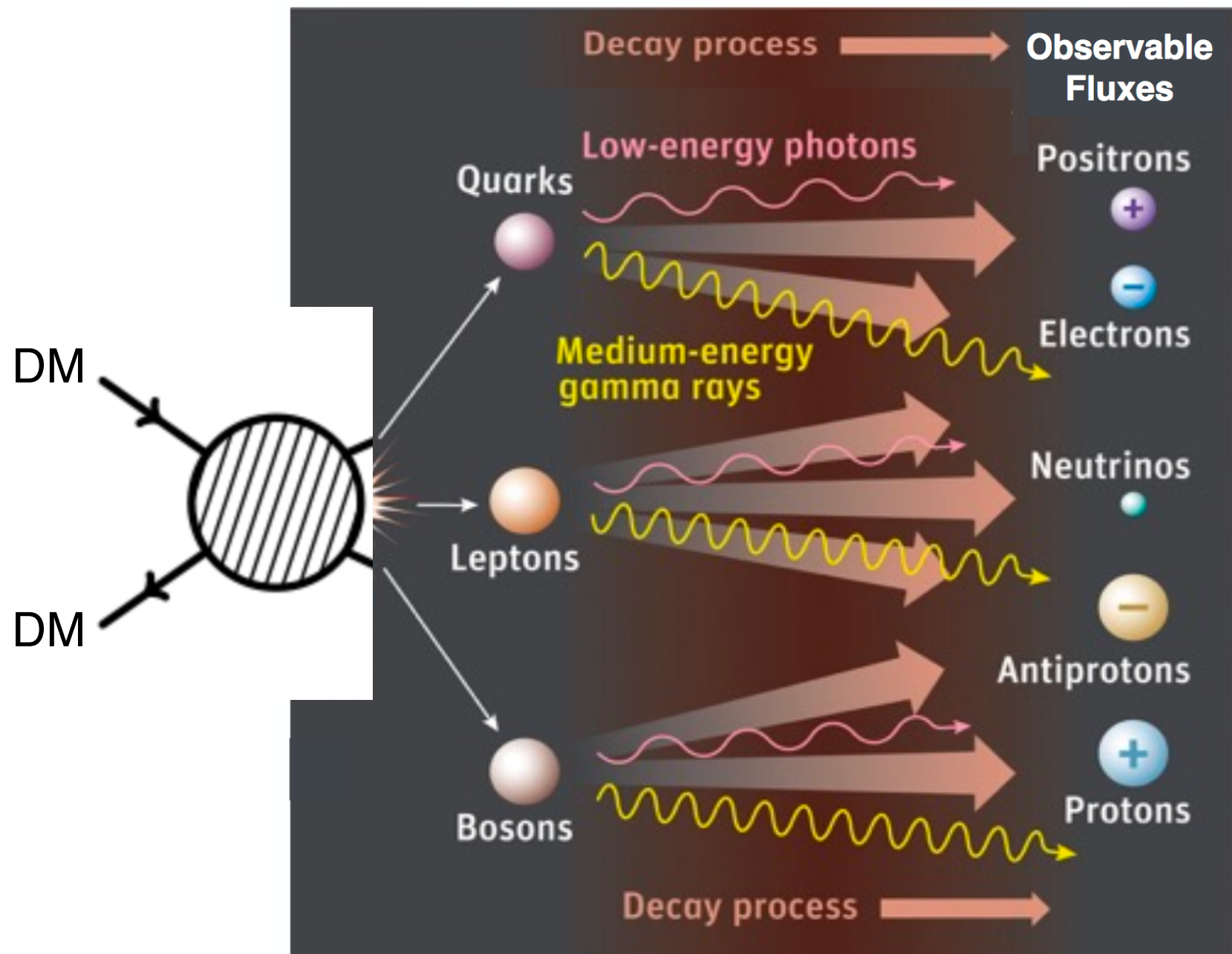
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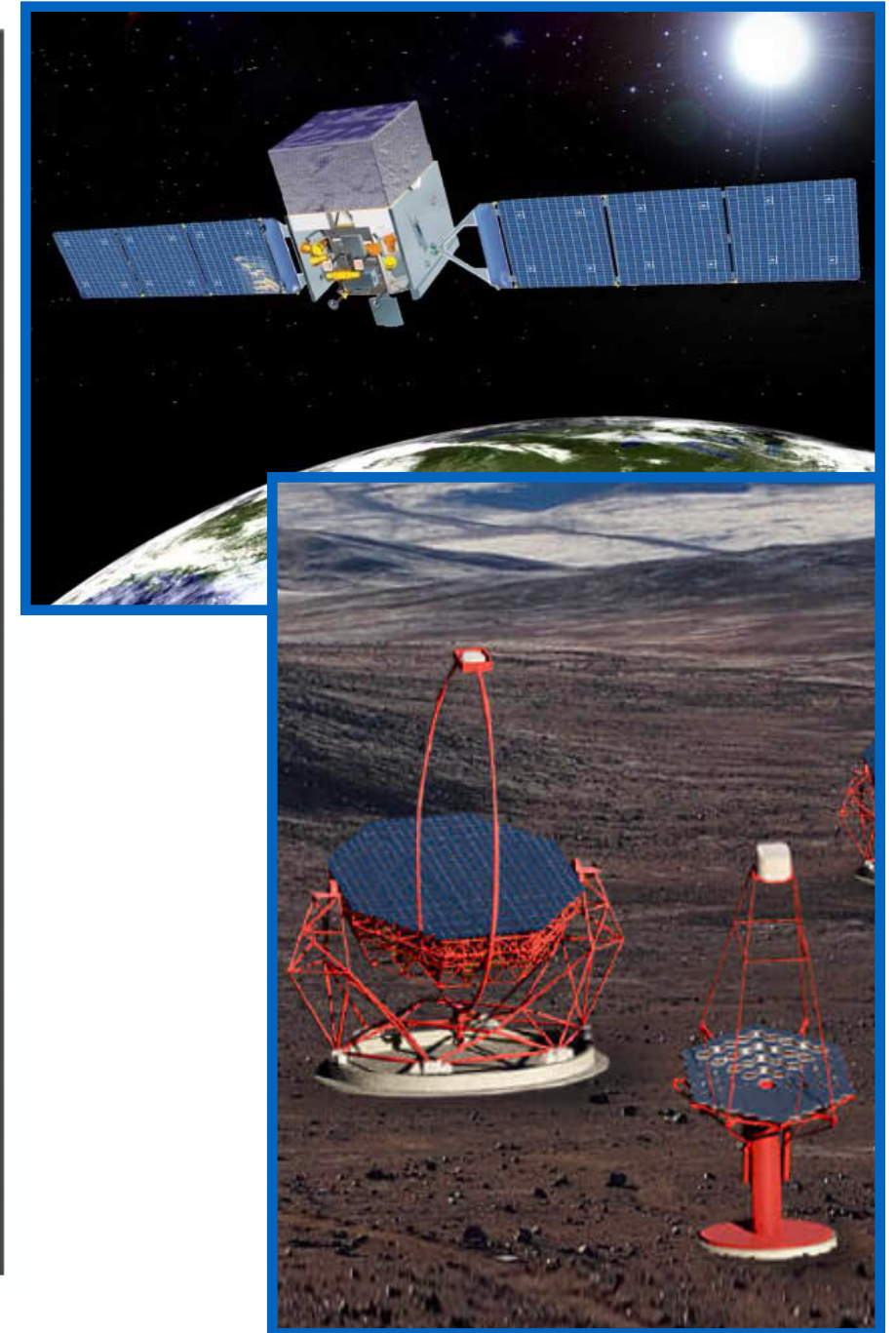
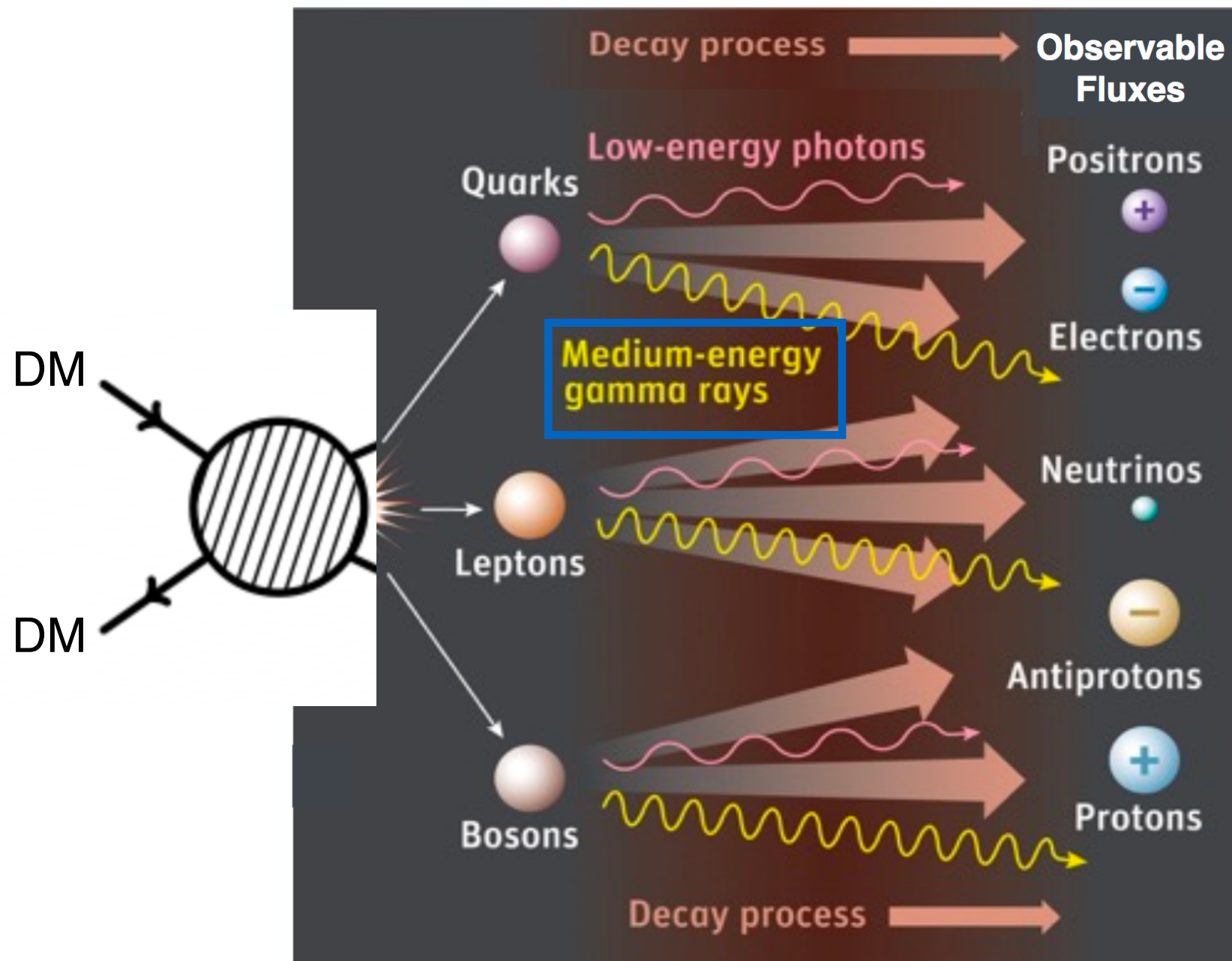
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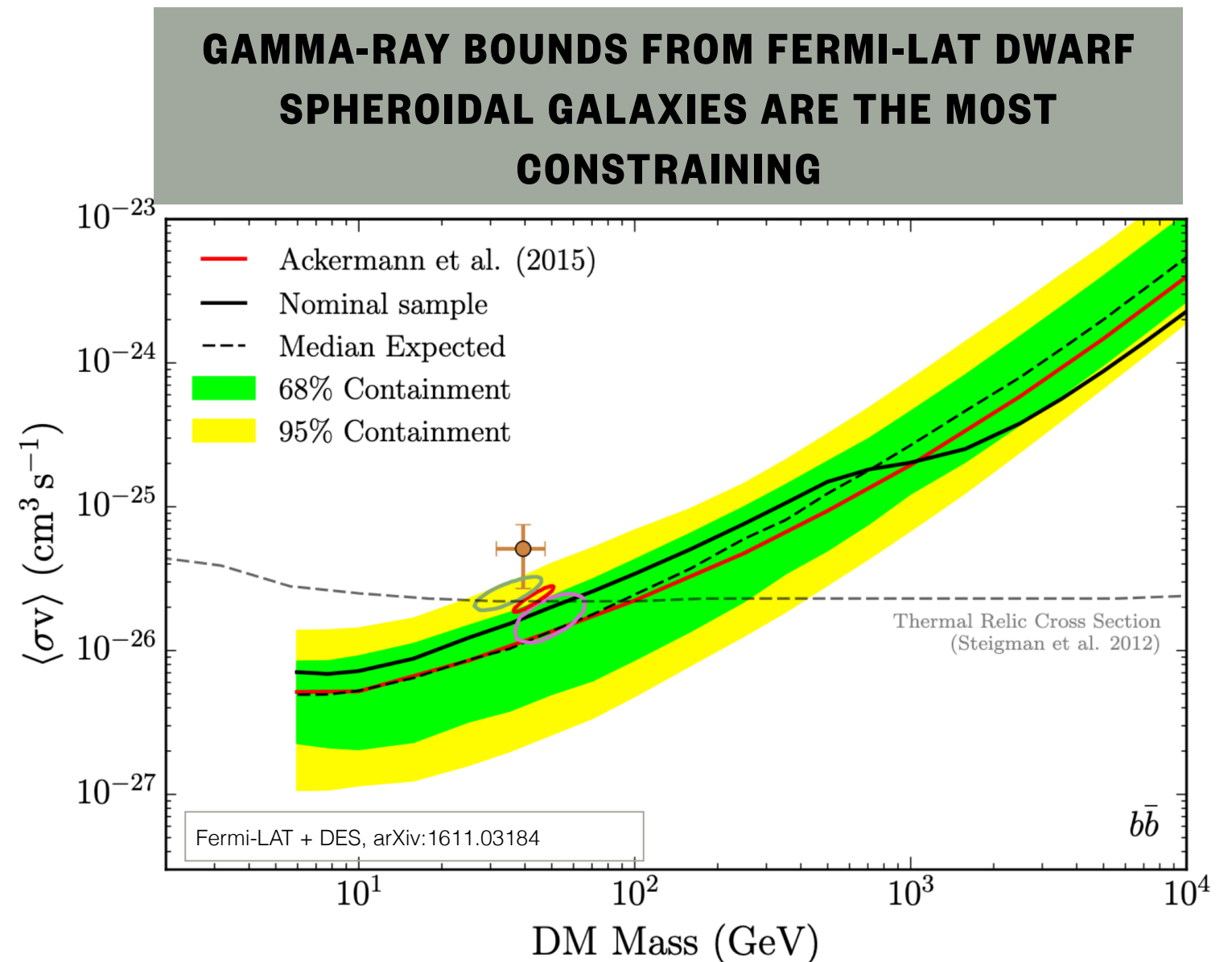
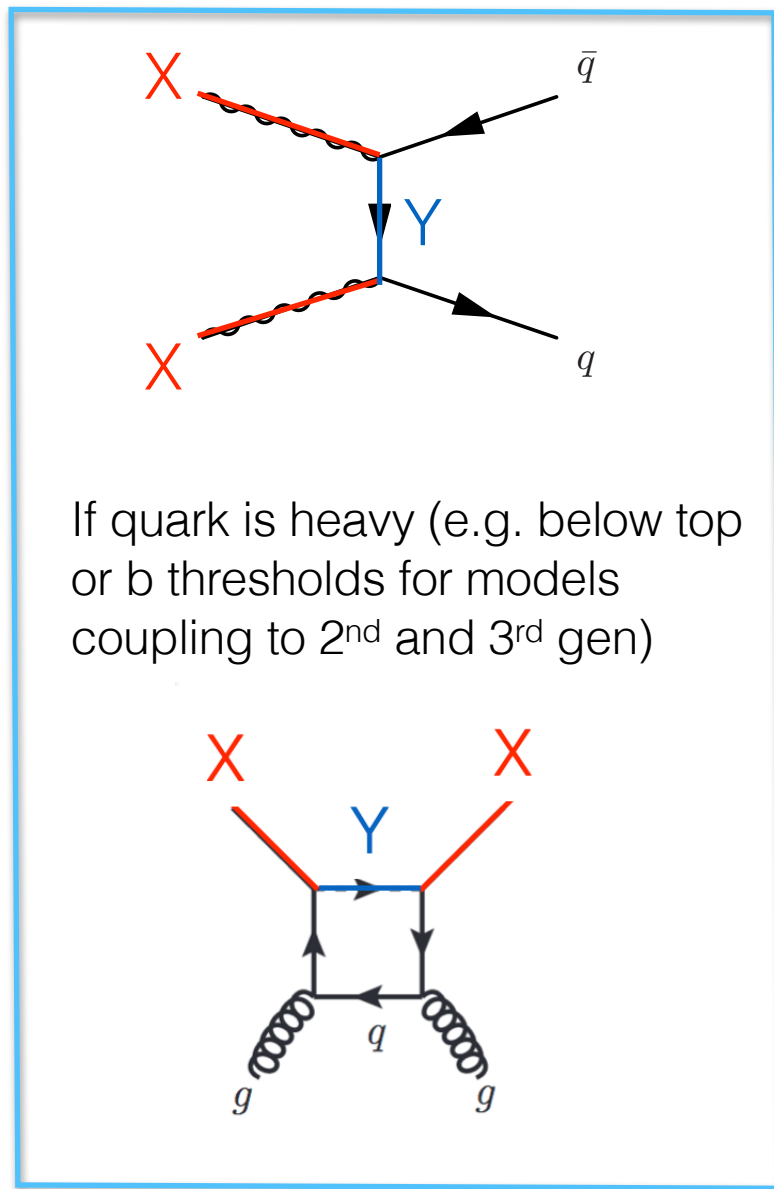
# Indirect detection

## Prompt flux



# Dark matter annihilation in galactic halos at present time

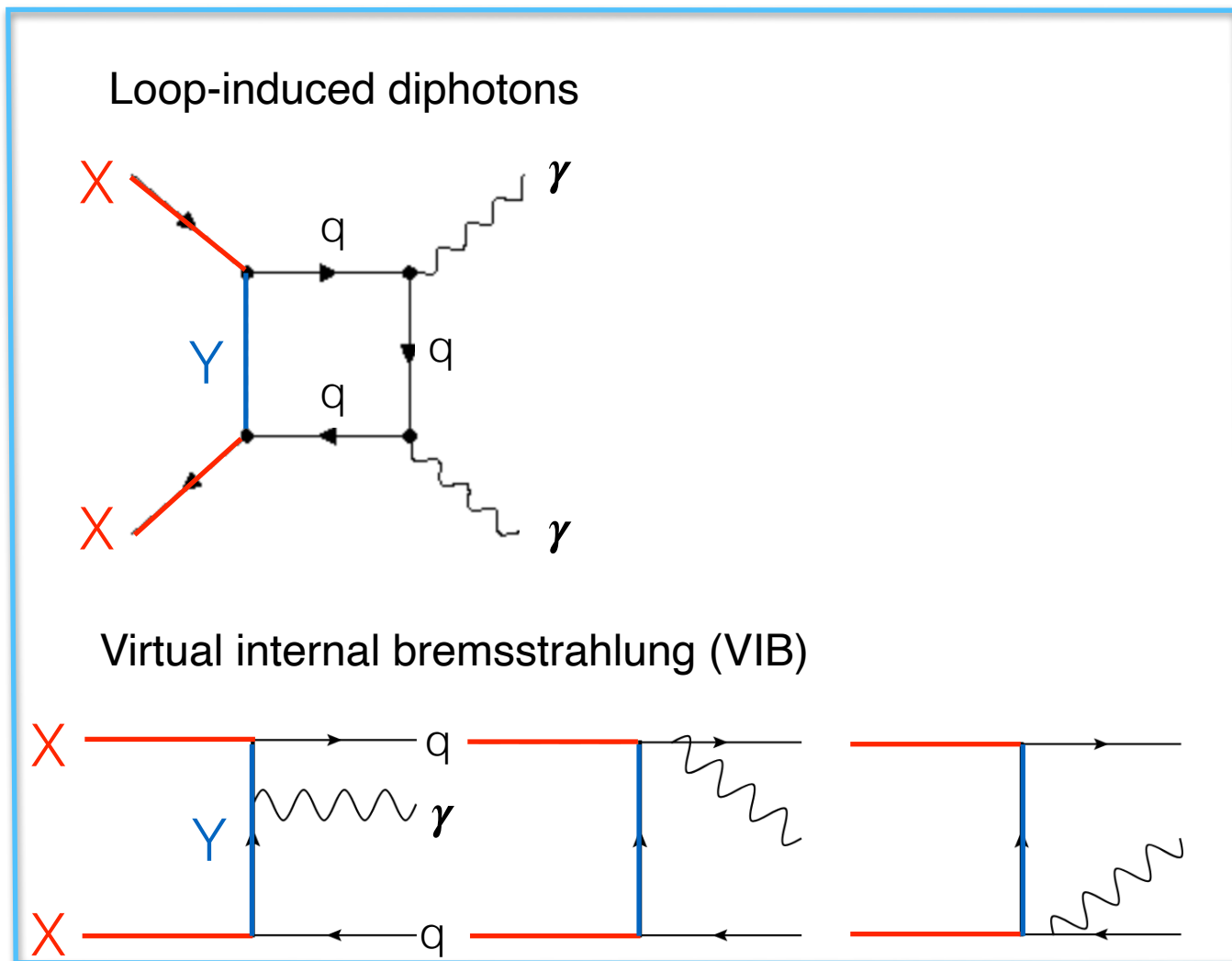
## LO ANNIHILATION (DIRAC AND VECTORIAL DARK MATTER)



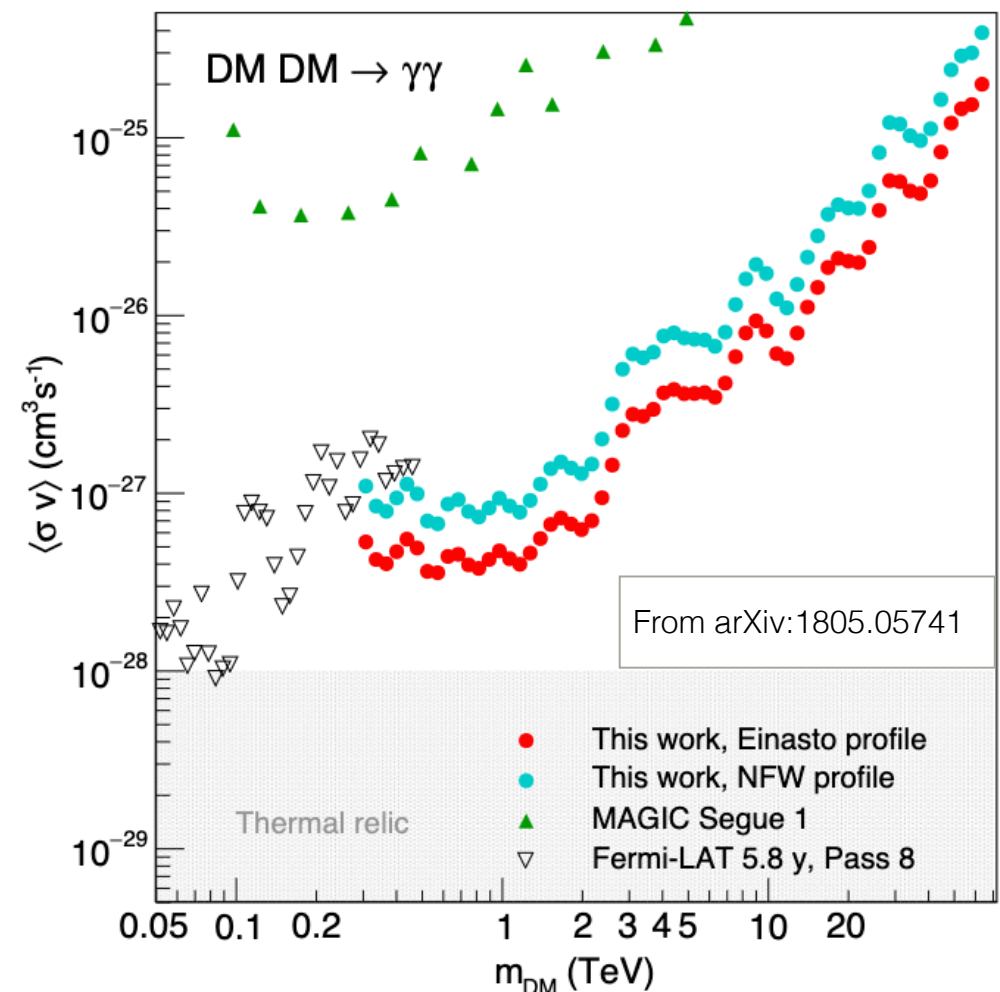
**BOUNDS FROM FERMI-LAT DWARF SPHEROIDAL GALAXIES CAN BE COMPUTED AUTOMATICALLY WITHIN MADDM**

# Dark matter annihilation in galactic halos at present time

- LO ANNIHILATION IS P-WAVE OR D-WAVE SUPPRESSED (MAJORANA OR SCALAR DARK MATTER)
- NLO PROCESSES UPLIFT THE SUPPRESSION AND PRODUCE A SHARP FEATURE IN THE GAMMA-RAY ENERGY SPECTRUM



## GAMMA LINE SEARCHES ARE THE MOST STRINGENT BOUNDS



# Benchmark 1: coupling to $u_R$

We consider all models coupling to  $u_R$  quark  
6 in total  
( $M_X, M_Y, \lambda$ )

Name	DM	Mediators	Parameters
S3M_uni	$\tilde{\chi}$	$\varphi_{Q_f}, \varphi_{u_f}, \varphi_{d_f}$	
S3D_uni	$\chi$		
S3M_3rd	$\tilde{\chi}$	$\varphi_{Q_3}, \varphi_{u_3}, \varphi_{d_3}$	$M_\varphi, M_\chi, \lambda_\varphi$
S3D_3rd	$\chi$		
S3M_uR	$\tilde{\chi}$	$\varphi_{u_1}$	
S3D_uR	$\chi$		
F3S_uni	$\tilde{S}$	$\psi_{Q_f}, \psi_{u_f}, \psi_{d_f}$	
F3C_uni	$S$		
F3S_3rd	$\tilde{S}$	$\psi_{Q_3}, \psi_{u_3}, \psi_{d_3}$	$M_S, M_\psi, \hat{\lambda}_\psi$
F3C_3rd	$S$		
F3S_uR	$\tilde{S}$	$\psi_{u_1}$	
F3C_uR	$S$		
F3V_uni	$\tilde{V}_\mu$	$\psi_{Q_f}, \psi_{u_f}, \psi_{d_f}$	
F3W_uni	$V_\mu$		
F3V_3rd	$\tilde{V}_\mu$	$\psi_{Q_3}, \psi_{u_3}, \psi_{d_3}$	$M_V, M_\psi, \hat{\lambda}_\psi$
F3W_3rd	$V_\mu$		
F3V_uR	$\tilde{V}_\mu$	$\psi_{u_1}$	
F3W_uR	$V_\mu$		

Fermionic DM (Majorana and Dirac) and scalar mediator

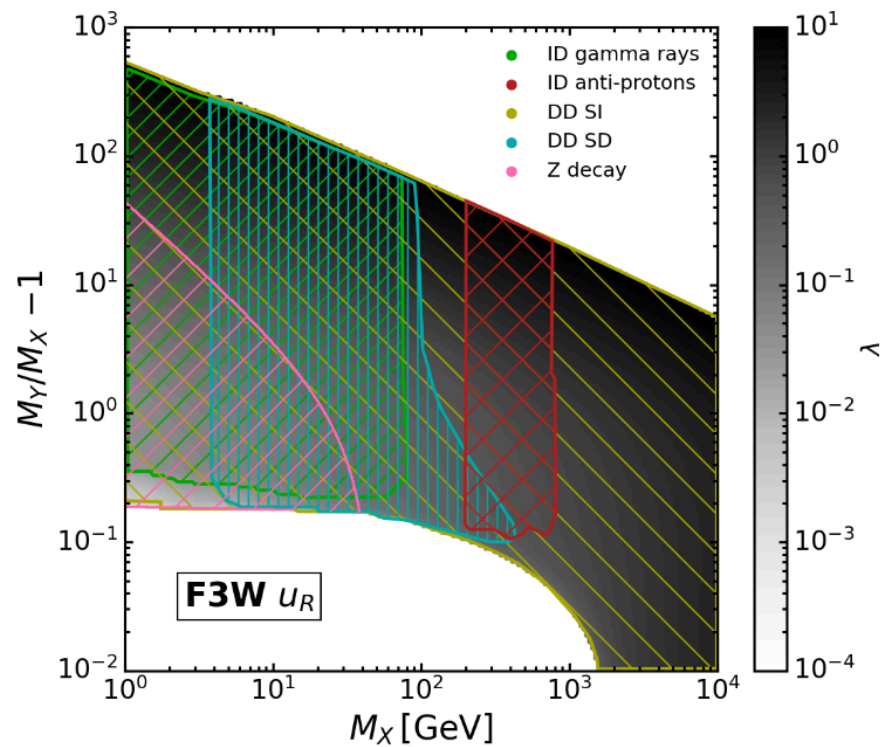
Scalar DM (real and complex) and fermionic mediator

Vector DM (real and complex) and fermionic mediator

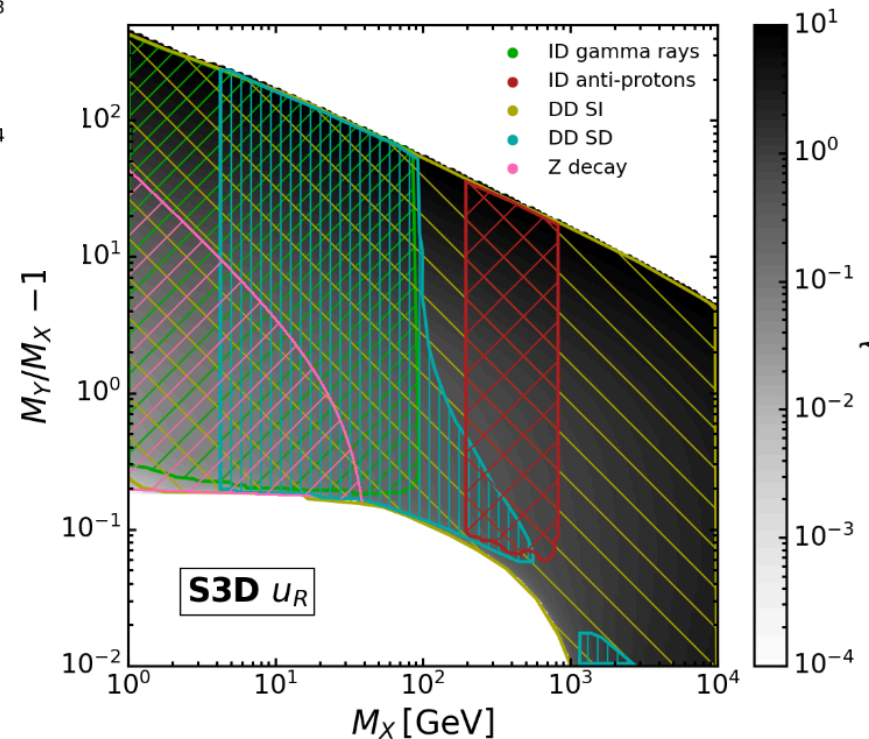
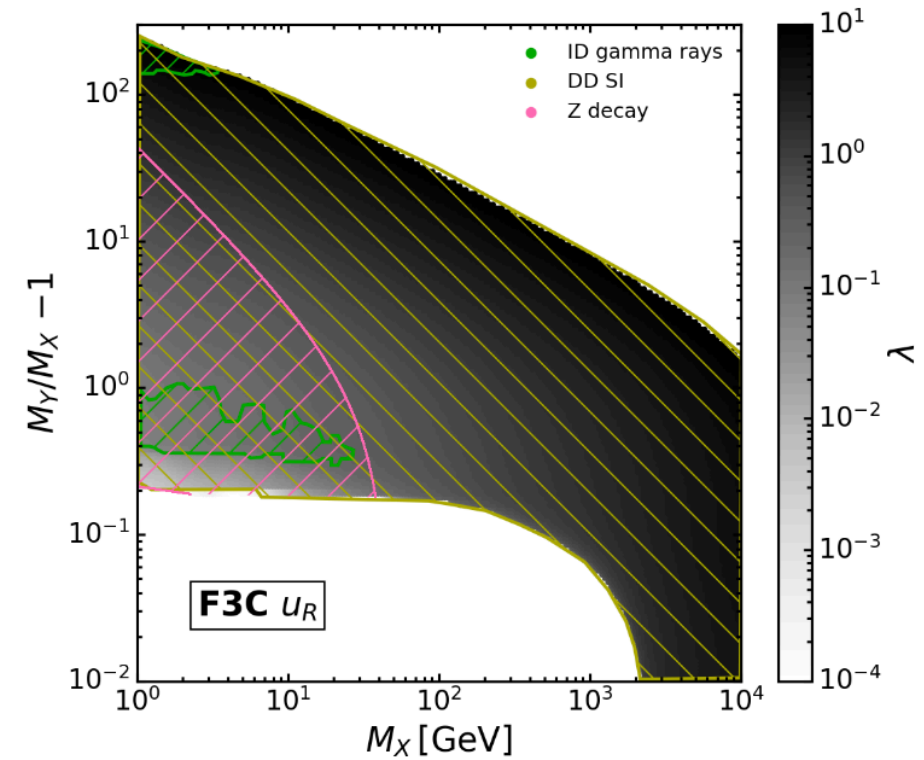


# Benchmark 1: coupling to $u_R$ complex case

From arXiv:2307.10367

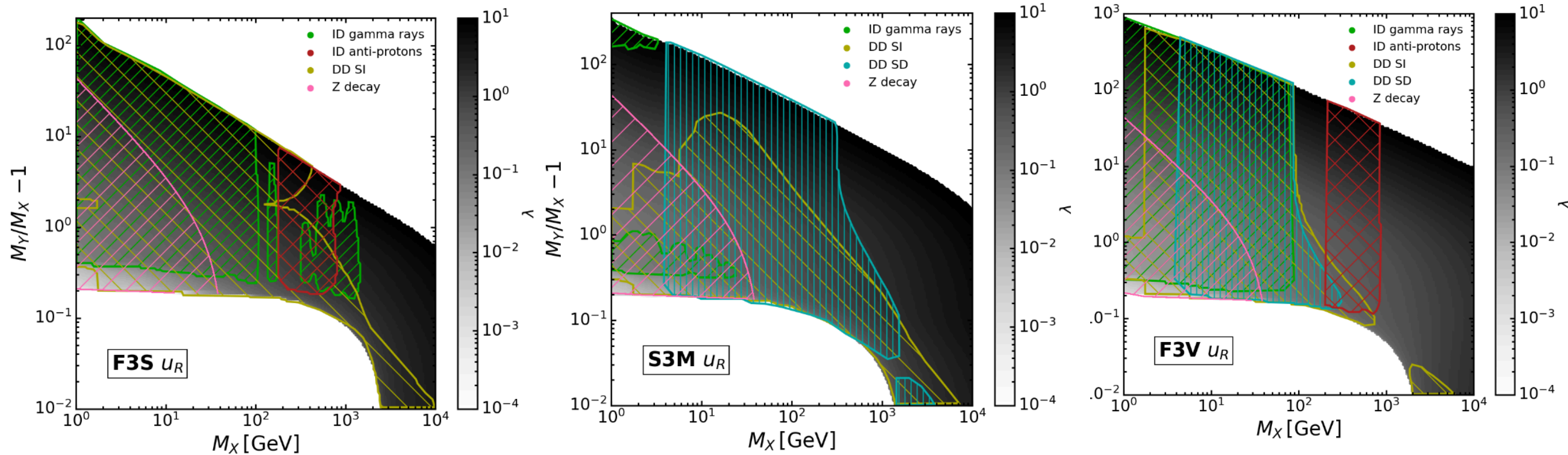


**ASSUMING WIMP SCENARIO  
AND CORRECT RELIC  
DENSITY VIA FO ALL  
COMPLEX MODELS ARE  
EXCLUDED UP TO 10 TEV BY  
DIRECT DETECTION !**



**FREEZE-IN REGION AND  
COMPRESSED SPECTRA TO BE  
INVESTIGATED STILL...**

# Benchmark 1: coupling to $u_R$ real case



**ASSUMING WIMP SCENARIO  
AND CORRECT RELIC  
DENSITY VIA FO COSMOLOGY  
EXCLUDES A LOT BUT STILL  
VIABLE BENCHMARKS**

**FREEZE-IN REGION AND  
COMPRESSED SPECTRA TO BE  
INVESTIGATED STILL...**

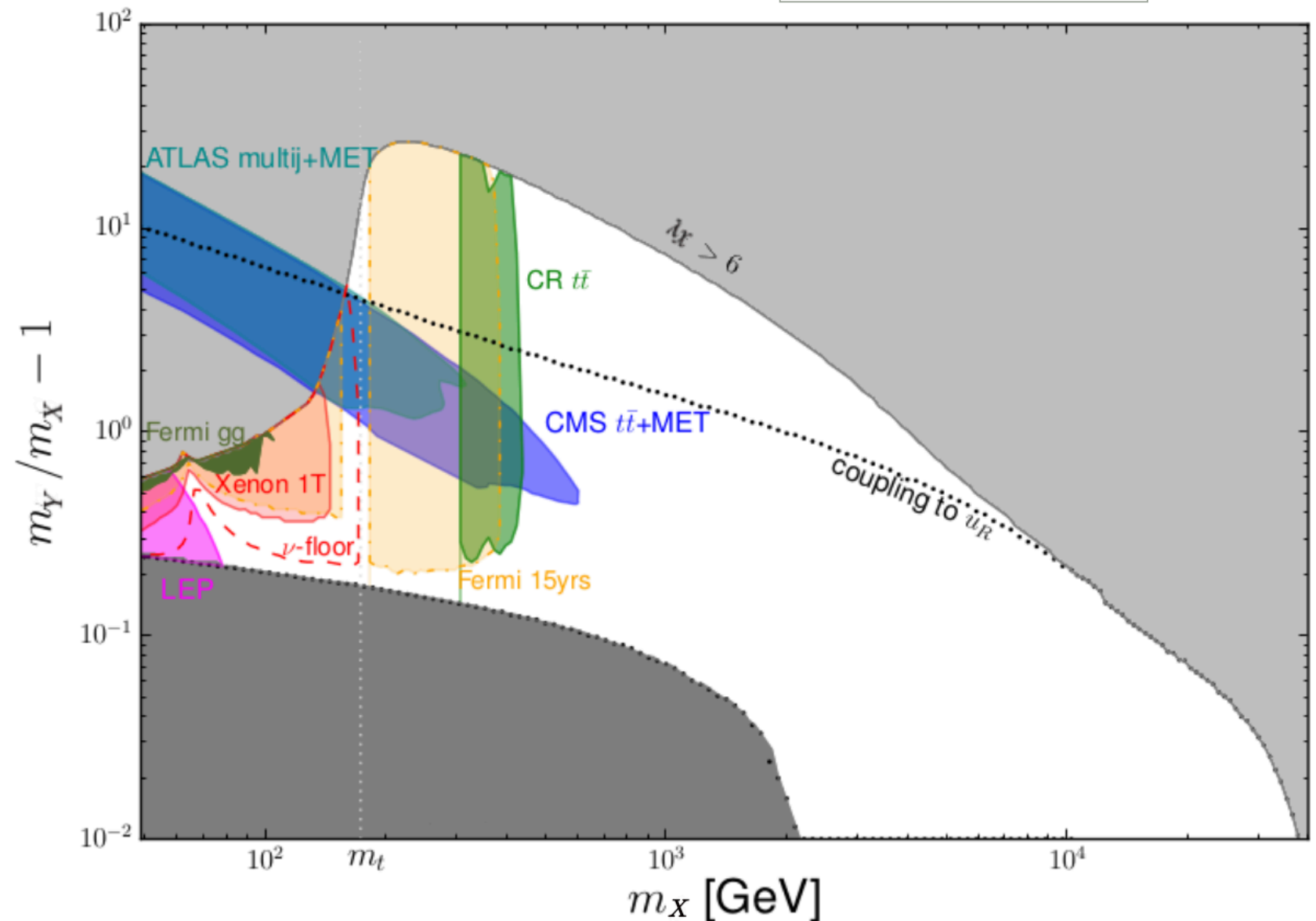
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# Benchmark 2: coupling to $t_R$

Real scalar particle as  $X$  and fermionic particle as  $Y$   
( $M_X, M_Y, \lambda$ )

From arXiv:1804.05068

- BEHAVIOR IS SIMILAR TO THE CASE OF  $U_R$
- NON NEGLIGIBLE MASS OF THE TOP IS RELEVANT AND NEED A CAREFUL TREATMENT
- COMPLEMENTARITY OF ASTROPARTICLE AND COLLIDER SEARCHES

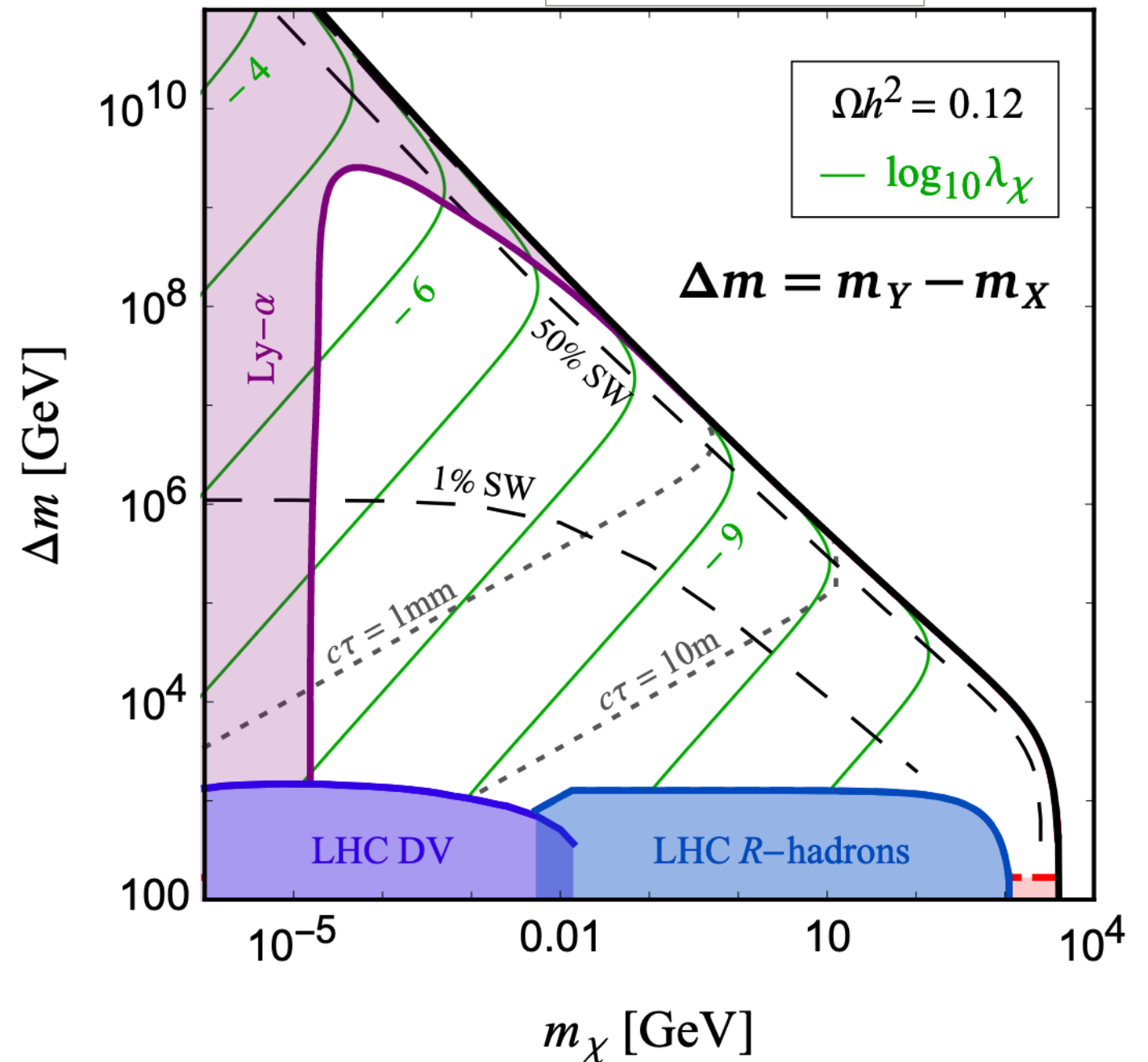


# Benchmark 2: coupling to $t_R$ for freeze-in and superWIMP

Majorana particle as  $X$  and scalar particle as  $Y$   
 $(M_X, M_Y, \lambda)$

- WIDE RANGE OF DM MASSES CAN BE CONSIDERED
- LOW MASSES ARE CONSTRAINED BY COSMOLOGY
- COMPRESSED SPECTRA CONSTRAINED BY DISPLACED VERTICES AND R-HADRONS
- NICE COMPLEMENTARITY
- WIDE VIABLE REGION (NO DD OR ID BOUND)

From arXiv:2111.09321



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# Summary

## **DARK MATTER CANDIDATES ARISING FROM SIMPLIFIED AND MINIMAL T-CHANNEL MODELS ARE PARTICULAR ATTRACTIVE BECAUSE OF THEIR PREDICTIVITY:**

- IF CONSIDERED AS WIMPS THEY ARE PRETTY CONSTRAINED BY INDIRECT AND DIRECT SEARCHES OF DARK MATTER;
- MODELS COUPLING TO U AND D ARE MORE CONSTRAINED (COMPLEX CANDIDATES ARE BASICALLY EXCLUDED)
- MODELS COUPLING TO 2ND AND 3RD GEN ARE LESS CONSTRAINED BY DIRECT DETECTION
- PHENO OF RELIC AND INDIRECT DETECTION DO NOT STRONGLY DEPEND ON THE QUARK FLAVOR (BESIDES MASS EFFECTS)

- Models beyond the minimal version and/or theoretical complete models feature enlarged parameter space, specific signatures, ...;
- Freeze-in, superWIMP, conversion driven freeze-out are other mechanisms that shape LLP regions and/or very compressed spectra: different regions and masses to explore yet;
- A non-standard cosmological history can change the model parameter space and open up new regions;
- Much more in the white paper to appear, stay tuned!

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# Back up slides



# Bound states and Sommerfeld enhancement (from arXiv:2203.04326)

## SOMMERFELD ENHANCEMENT

$$\sigma_{\text{SE},[\mathbf{R}]} v_{\text{rel}} = c_{[\mathbf{R}]} S_{0,[\mathbf{R}]} \sigma_0,$$

$$\sigma_{\mathbf{3}\otimes\bar{\mathbf{3}}\rightarrow gg} v_{\text{rel}} = \sigma_{\mathbf{3}\otimes\bar{\mathbf{3}}\rightarrow gg,0} \left( \frac{2}{7} S_{0,[\mathbf{1}]} + \frac{5}{7} S_{0,[\mathbf{8}]} \right),$$

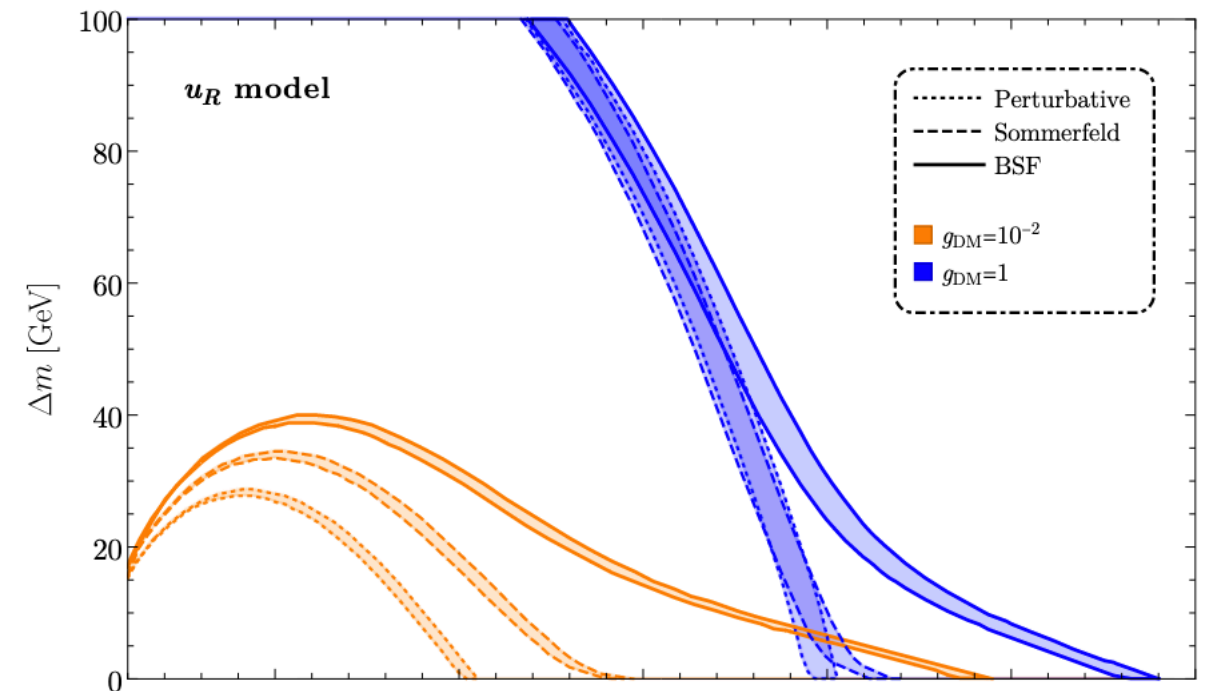
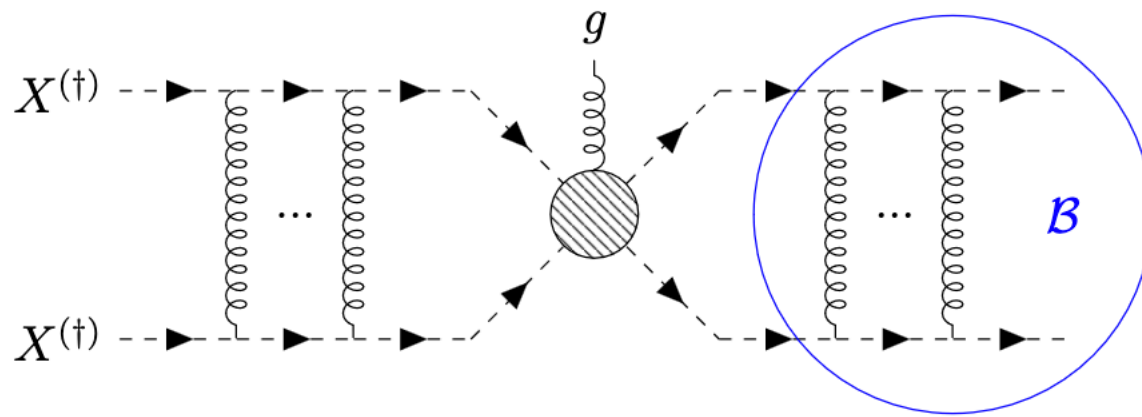
$$\sigma_{\mathbf{3}\otimes\bar{\mathbf{3}}\rightarrow q\bar{q}} v_{\text{rel}} = \sigma_{\mathbf{3}\otimes\bar{\mathbf{3}},0} \left( f_{[\mathbf{1}]}(g_s, g_{\text{DM}}) S_{0,[\mathbf{1}]} + f_{[\mathbf{8}]}(g_s, g_{\text{DM}}) S_{0,[\mathbf{8}]} \right),$$

$$\sigma_{\mathbf{3}\otimes\mathbf{3}\rightarrow qq} v_{\text{rel}} = \sigma_{\mathbf{3}\otimes\mathbf{3}\rightarrow qq,0} S_{0,[\mathbf{6}]},$$

$$\sigma_{\mathbf{3}_i\otimes\mathbf{3}_j\rightarrow q_i q_j} = \sigma_{\mathbf{3}_i\otimes\mathbf{3}_j\rightarrow q_i q_j,0} \left( \frac{1}{3} S_{0,[\bar{\mathbf{3}}]} + \frac{2}{3} S_{0,[\mathbf{6}]} \right).$$

$$V(r)_{\mathbf{3}\otimes\bar{\mathbf{3}}} = \begin{cases} -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} & [\mathbf{1}] \\ +\frac{1}{6} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} & [\mathbf{8}] \end{cases} ; \quad V(r)_{\mathbf{3}\otimes\mathbf{3}} = \begin{cases} -\frac{2}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} & [\bar{\mathbf{3}}] \\ +\frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} & [\mathbf{6}] \end{cases}$$

## EXAMPLE OF BOUND STATE FORMATION





# Lyman-alpha bounds

**FI AND SW (NON-THERMAL) CAN BE PRODUCED WITH A CERTAIN BOOST AND AFFECT STRUCTURE FORMATION**

**BOUNDS FROM WARM DARK MATTER (THERMAL) CAN BE TRANSLATED INTO FI AND SW TERMS**

$$m_X \gtrsim \begin{cases} 15 \text{ keV} \times \left( \frac{106.75}{g_*(T_{\text{FI}})} \right)^{1/3} & \text{for FI through decays,} \\ 3.8 \text{ GeV} \times (R_{\Gamma}^{\text{SW}} / 10^{-12})^{-1/2} \times \left( \frac{106.75}{g_*(T_{\text{SW}})} \right)^{1/3} & \text{for SW,} \end{cases}$$