



Dark Matter from Reheating

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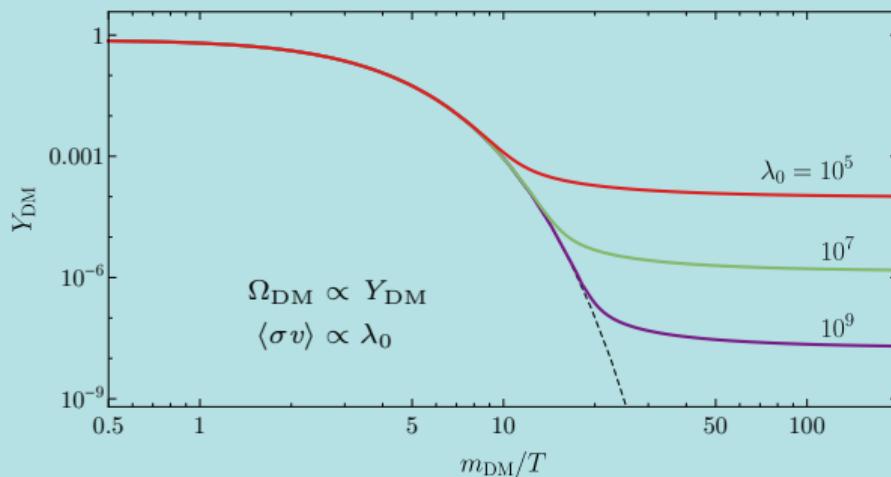
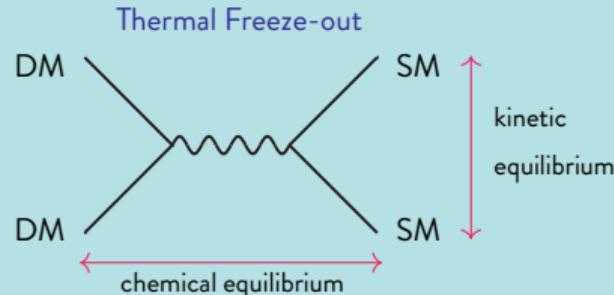


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The many virtues of the WIMP



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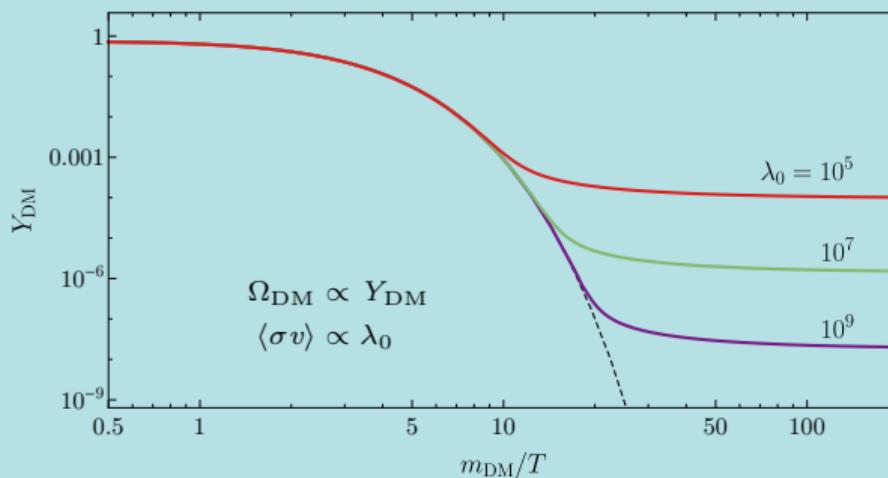
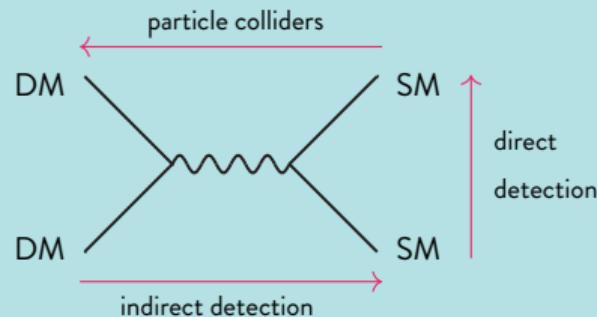


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$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 \equiv \frac{\rho_{\text{DM}}}{\rho_{\text{tot}}} h^2 \sim \frac{0.1 \text{ pb}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle}$$
$$\sim 0.1 \left(\frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2$$

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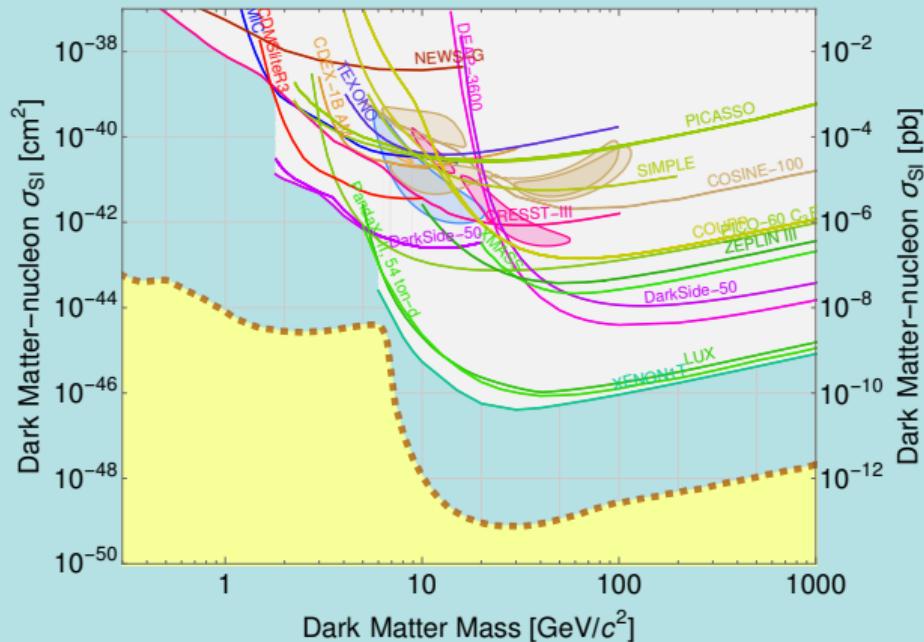


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Beyond the WIMP



DARK MATTER

- GRAVITY
 - ELECTROMAGNETISM
 - WEAK FORCE
 - STRONG FORCE

Feeble interactions =
dependence on initial conditions

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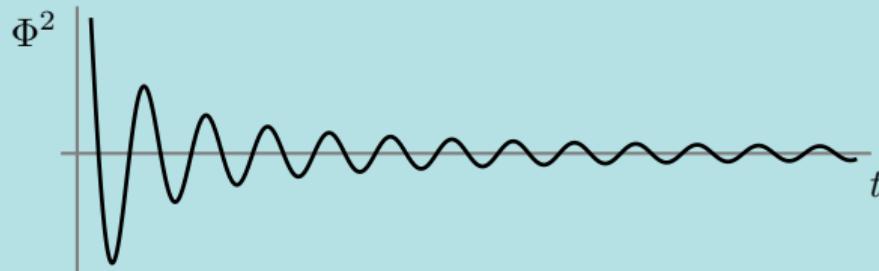
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(Re)populating the Universe after inflation

During reheating, the inflaton provides an oscillating background



$$\mathcal{L}_\psi = y \Phi \bar{\psi} \psi \equiv m_\psi(t) \bar{\psi} \psi$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\chi = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \Phi^2 \chi^2 \equiv \frac{1}{2} m_\chi^2(t) \chi^2$$

Mixing of +/- frequency modes \rightarrow particle production!

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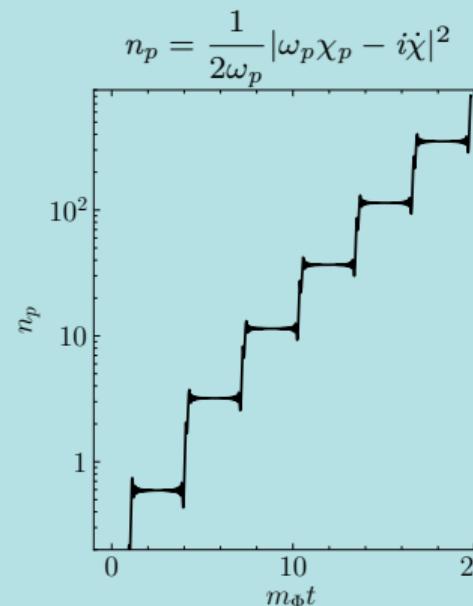
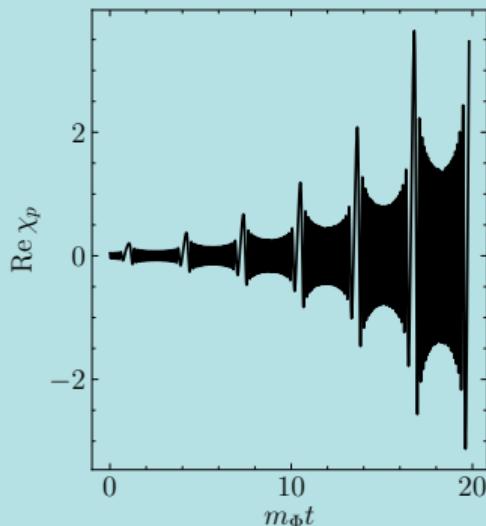
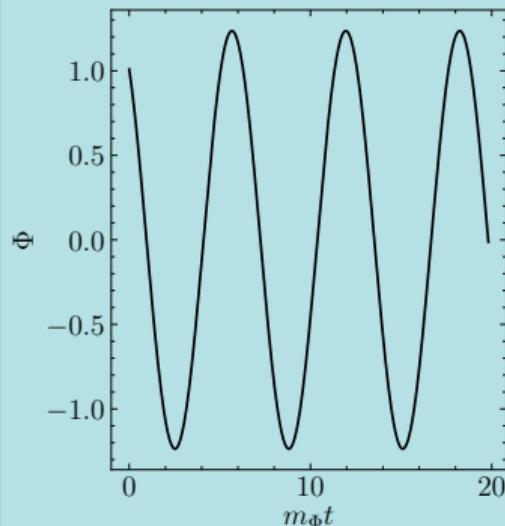


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$$\ddot{\chi}_p + 3H\dot{\chi}_p + \left[\frac{p^2}{a^2} + m_\chi^2(t) \right] \chi_p = 0, \quad m_\chi^2(t) = \sigma \Phi^2 + m_{\chi,0}^2$$

Neglecting expansion,



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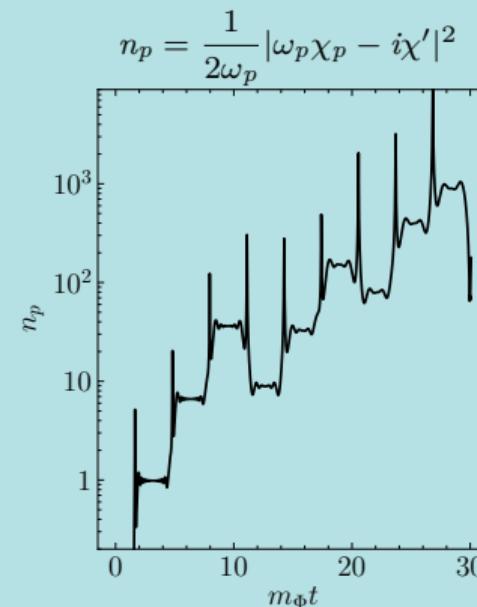
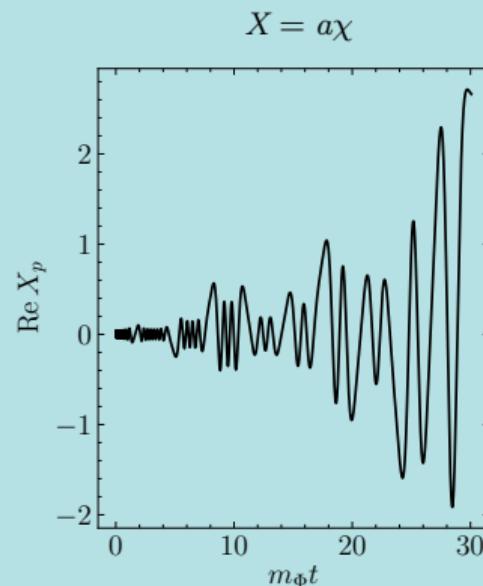
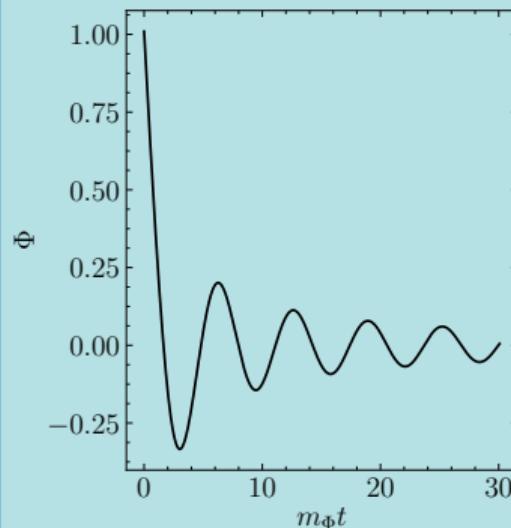


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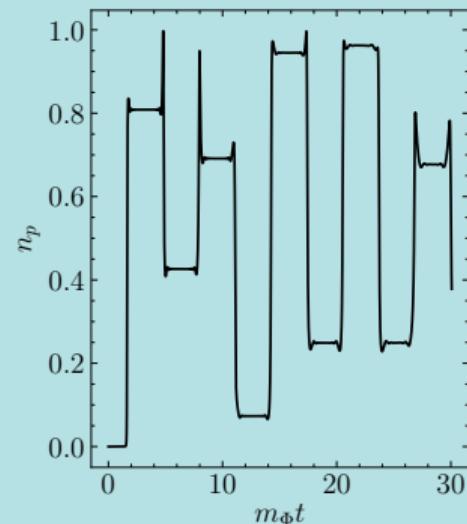
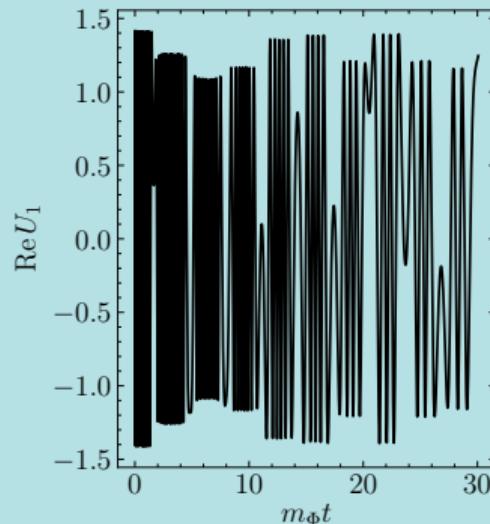
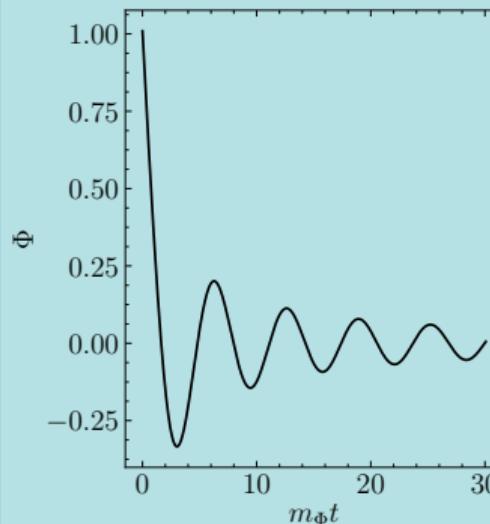


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Fermion (p)reheating

$$\left[i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu + i\frac{3a'}{2a} \gamma^0 - am_\psi(\tau) \right] \psi = 0, \quad m_\psi^2(\tau) = (y\Phi + m_{\psi,0})^2$$

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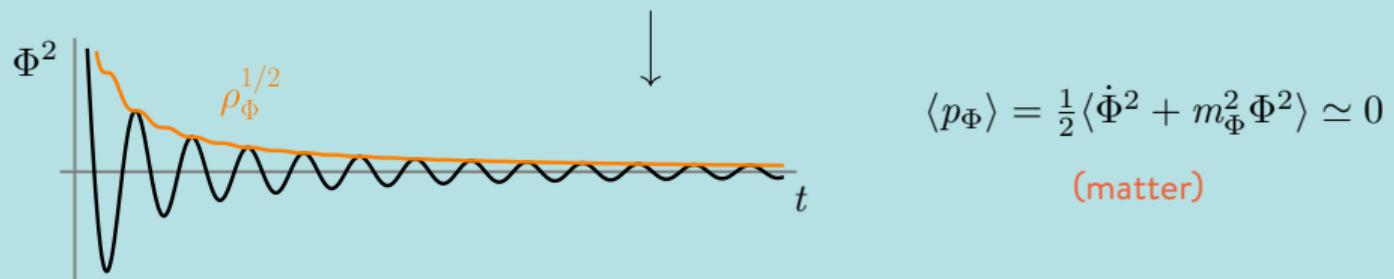


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The perturbative (dissipative) picture

Reheating as the exchange of energy between two ideal fluids

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$$\langle p_{\Phi} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle \dot{\Phi}^2 + m_{\Phi}^2 \Phi^2 \rangle \simeq 0$$

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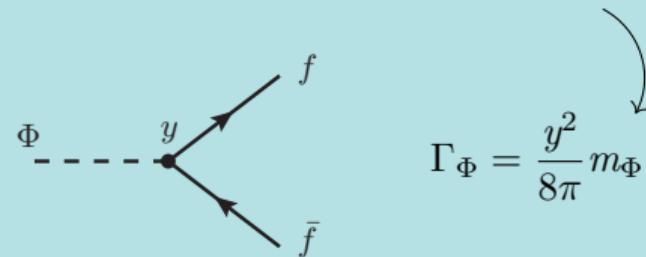
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Conservation $\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = 0$,

$$\dot{\rho}_R + 4H\rho_R = -(\dot{\rho}_{\Phi} + 3H\rho_{\Phi}) \equiv \Gamma_{\Phi}\rho_{\Phi}$$



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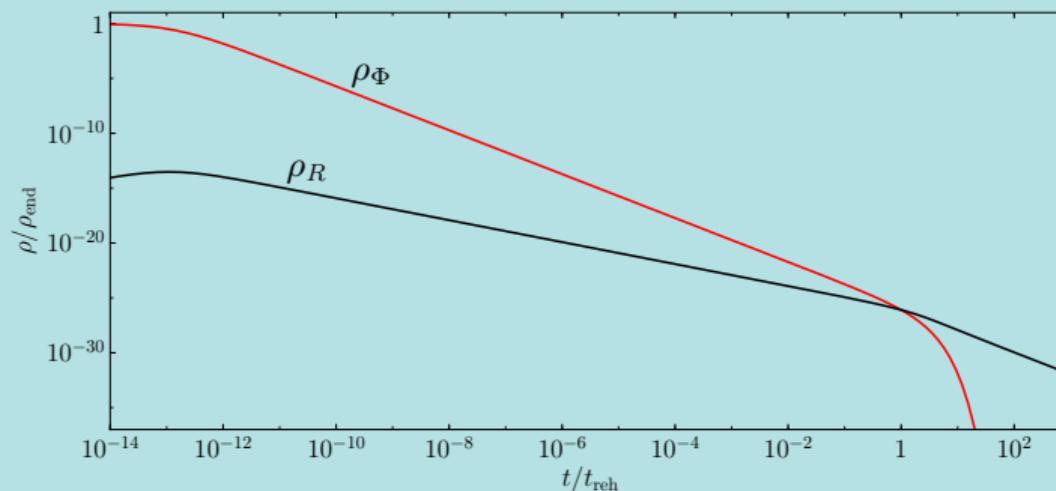


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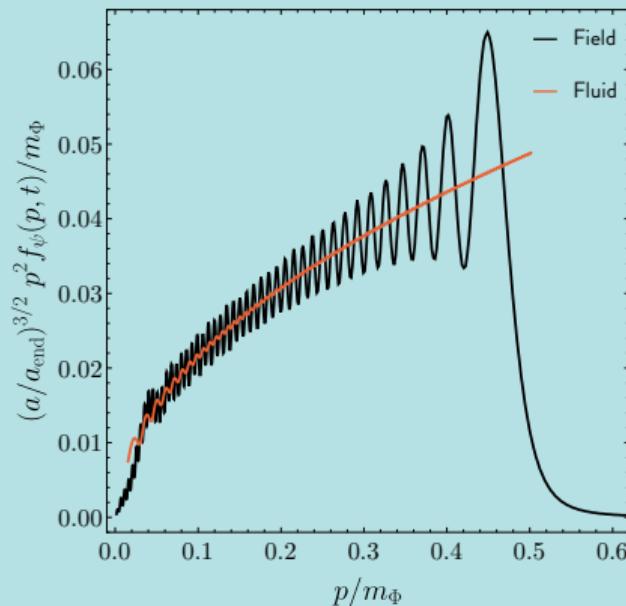
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The phase space distribution

$$n_\psi = \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} f_\psi(p, t)$$



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f_\psi}{\partial t} - H|\mathbf{p}| \frac{\partial f_\psi}{\partial |\mathbf{p}|} \\ = \frac{1}{2p_0} \int d\Pi |\mathcal{M}_{\Phi \rightarrow \bar{\psi}\psi}^2 n_\Phi \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{P}) + \mathcal{C}^{\text{int}}[f_\psi] \end{aligned}$$

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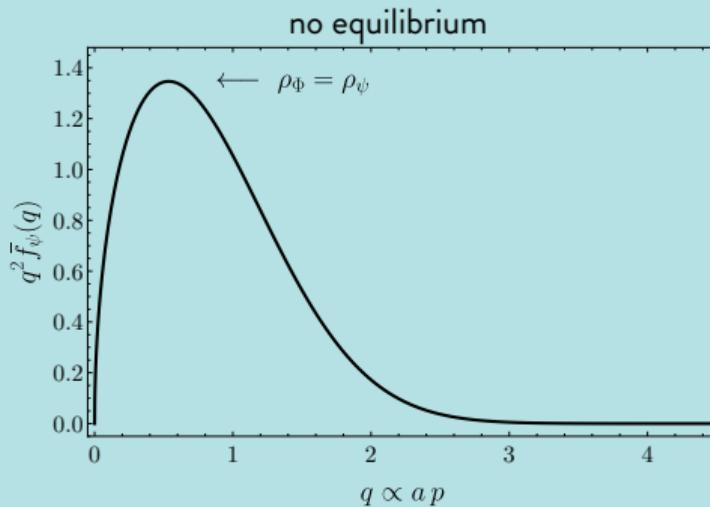
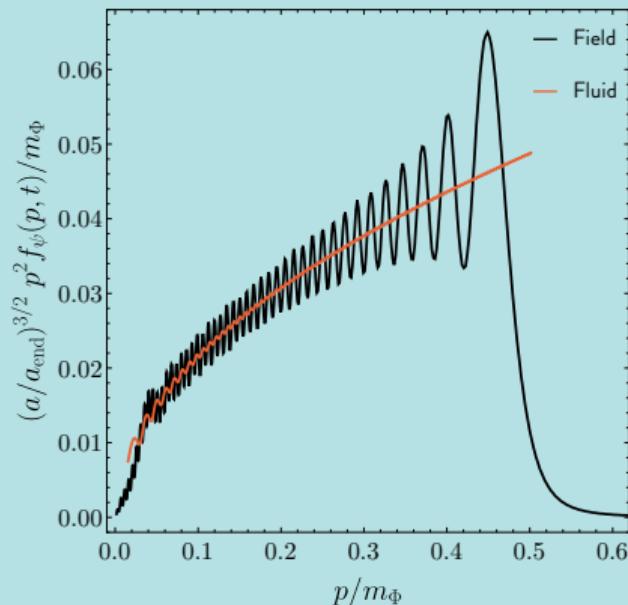
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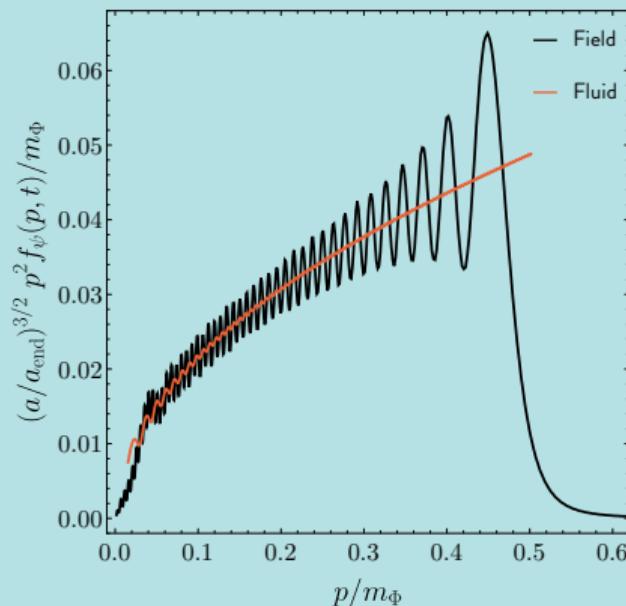
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$$\mathcal{C}^{\text{int}}[f_\psi] = \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right|^2 + \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right|^2 + \dots$$

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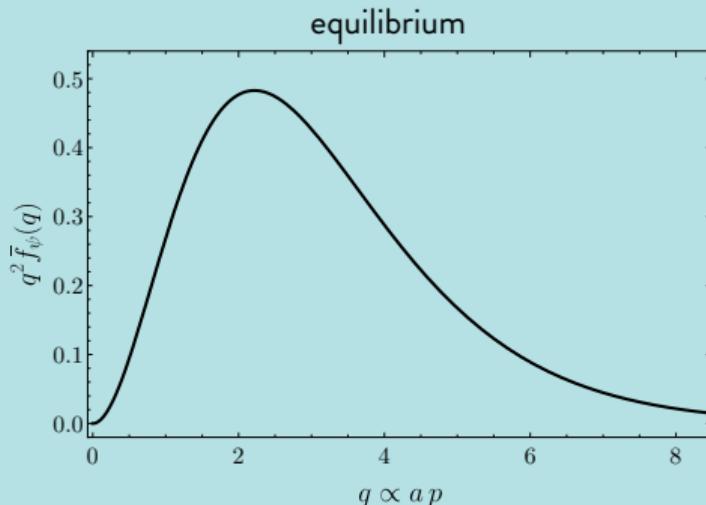
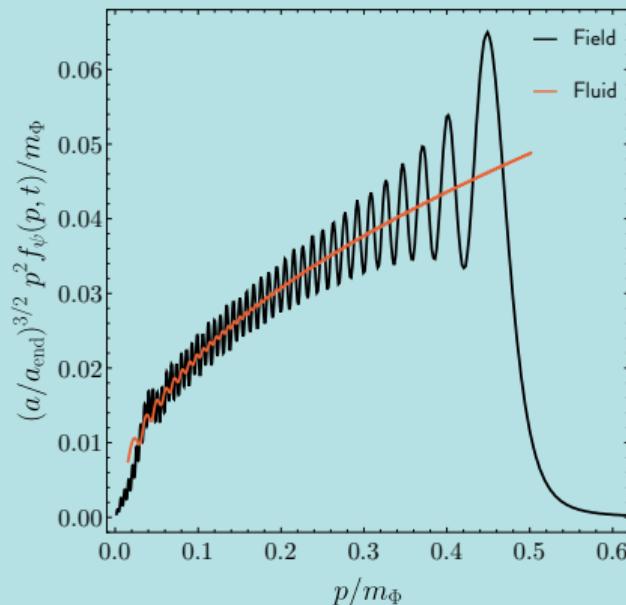
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raritron

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For gravitinos see e.g. J. Ellis, MG, D. Nanopoulos, K. Olive and M. Peloso, JCAP 03 (2016), 008;
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	inflaton	<i>R</i> -neutrino			

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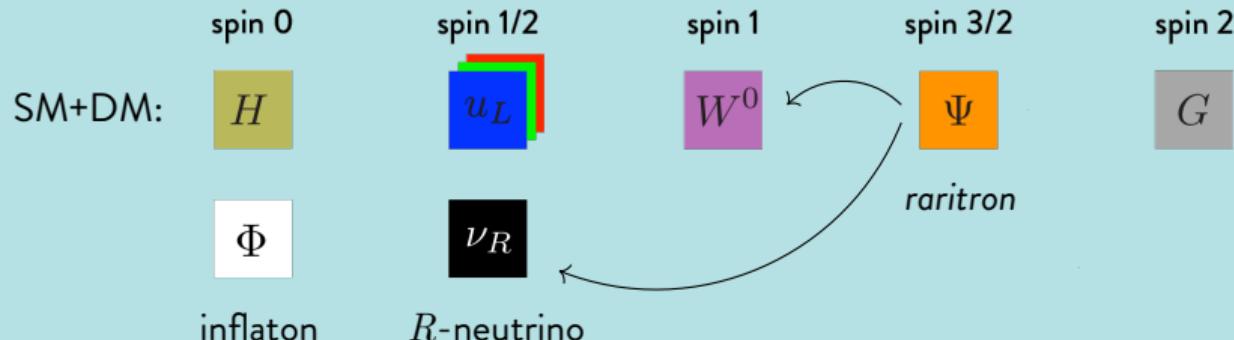


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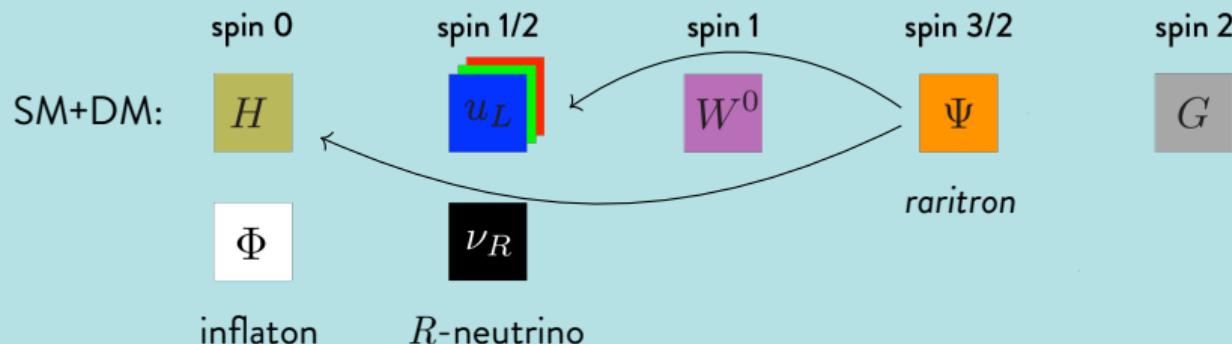
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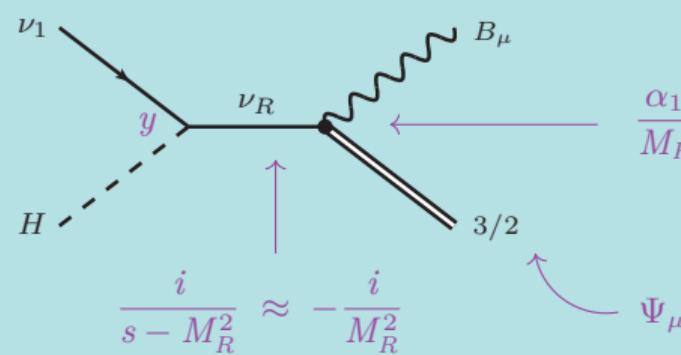
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$$\mathcal{L}_{3/2} = \boxed{i \frac{\alpha_1}{2M_P} \bar{\nu}_R \gamma^\mu [\gamma^\rho, \gamma^\sigma] \Psi_\mu F_{\rho\sigma}} + i \frac{\alpha_2}{2M_P} i\sigma_2 (D^\mu H)^* \bar{L} \Psi_\mu + \text{h.c.}$$

$$E_{\text{CM}} = \sqrt{s} \rightarrow$$

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$$\frac{i}{s - M_R^2} \approx -\frac{i}{M_R^2}$$

$$\frac{\alpha_1}{M_P}$$

$$\Psi_\mu \sim i \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\partial_\mu \Psi}{m_{3/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma(s) \propto \frac{\alpha_1^2 y^2 s^2}{m_{3/2}^2 M_R^2 M_P^2}$$

- Production peaked at high energies → reheating
- Ψ is never in thermal equilibrium (*freeze-in*)

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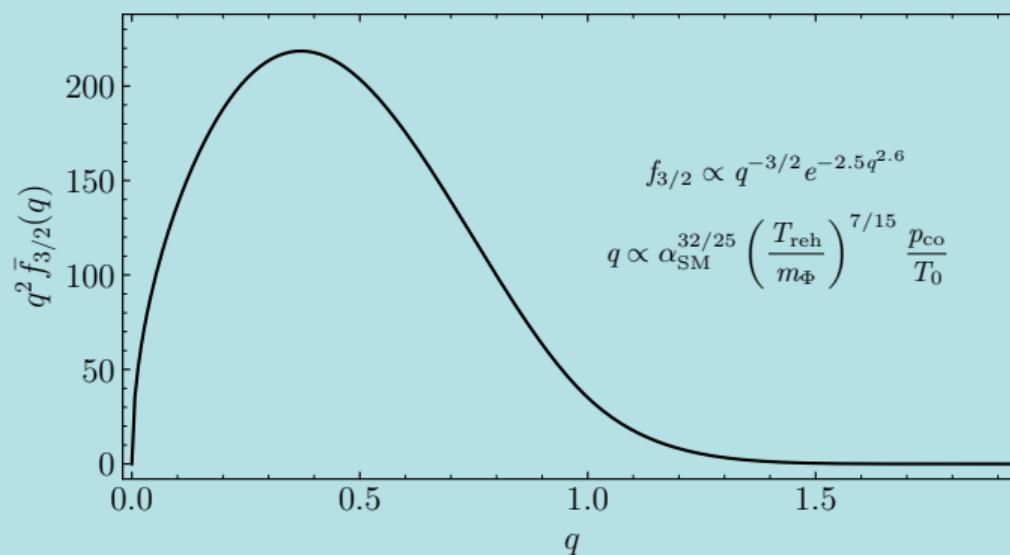
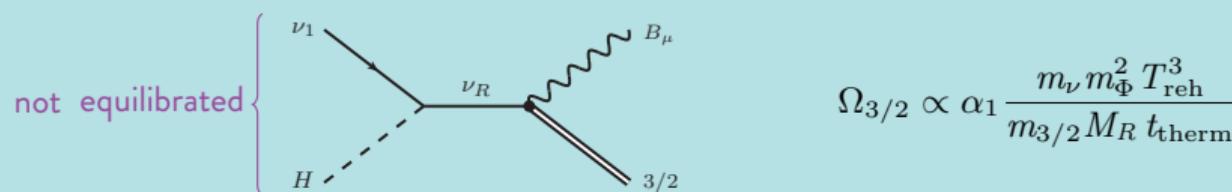


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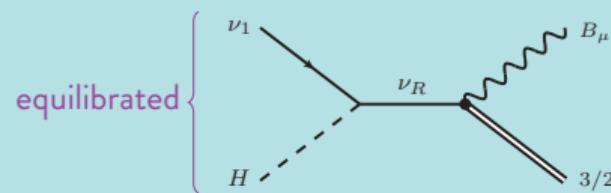


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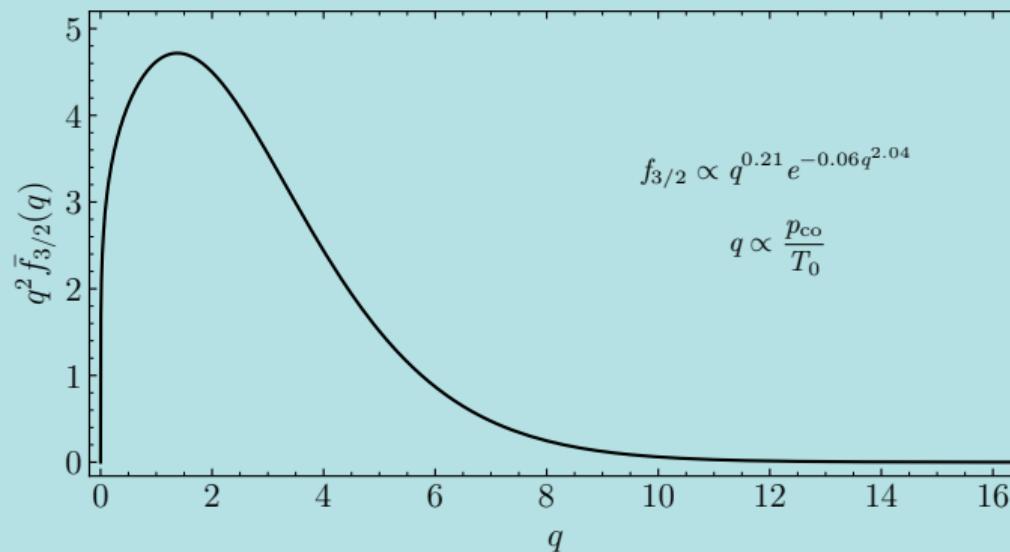


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$$\Omega_{3/2} \propto \alpha_1 \frac{m_\nu T_{\text{reh}}^5}{m_{3/2} M_R}$$



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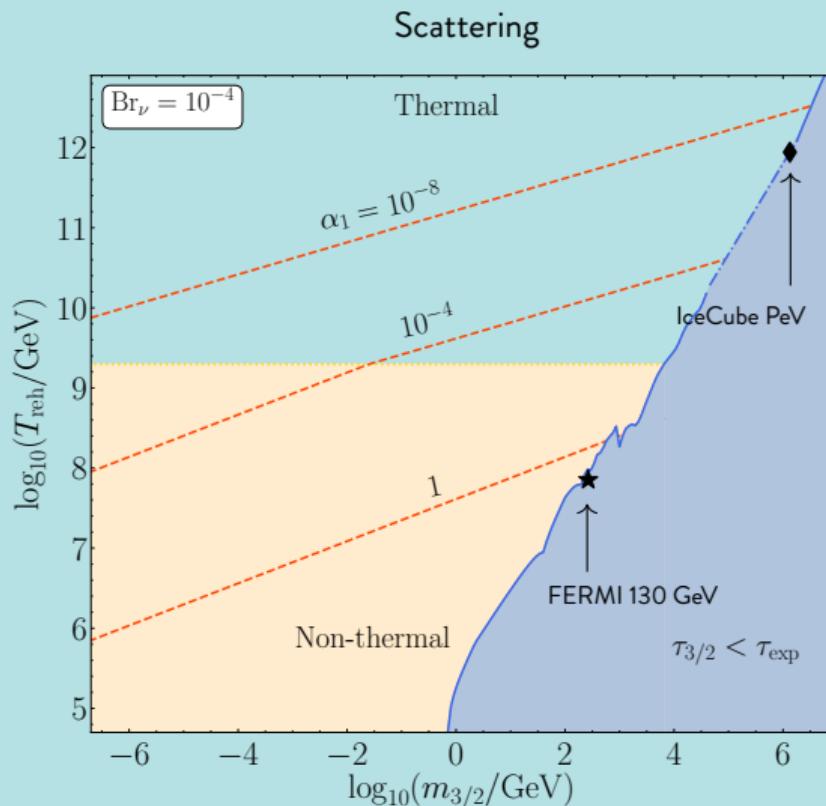
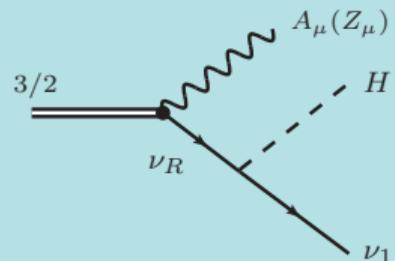
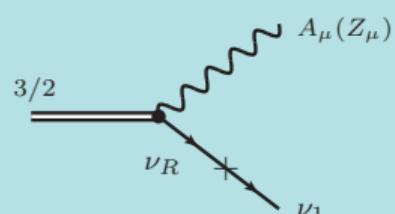


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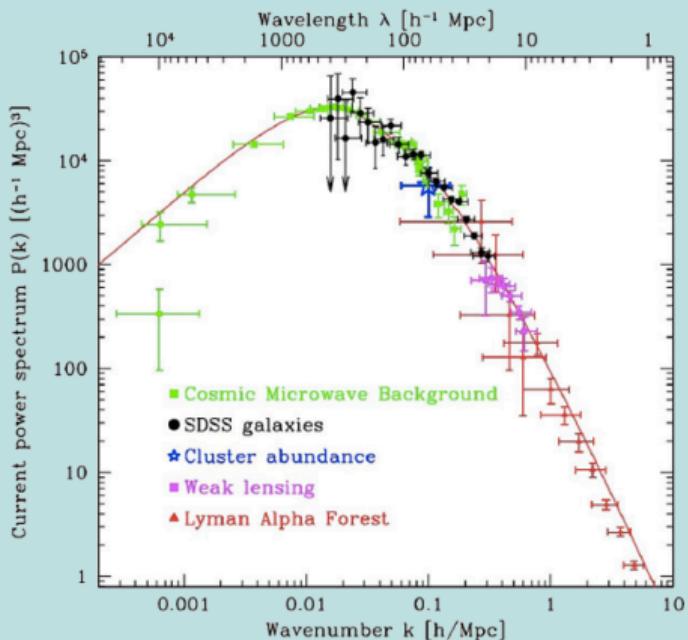


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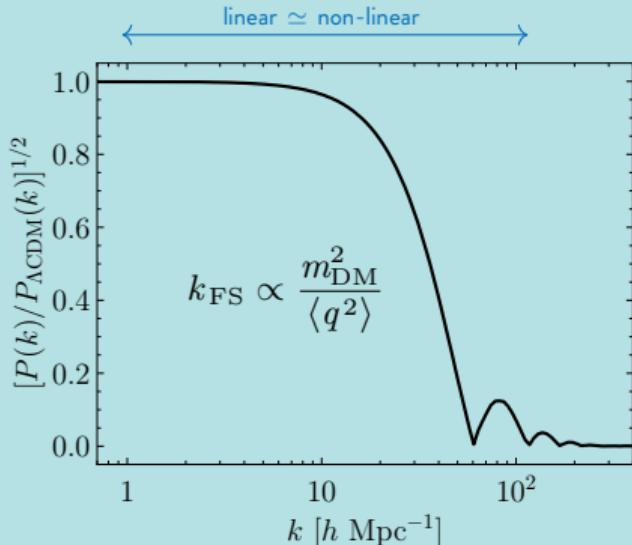


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How warm is out-of-equilibrium dark matter?



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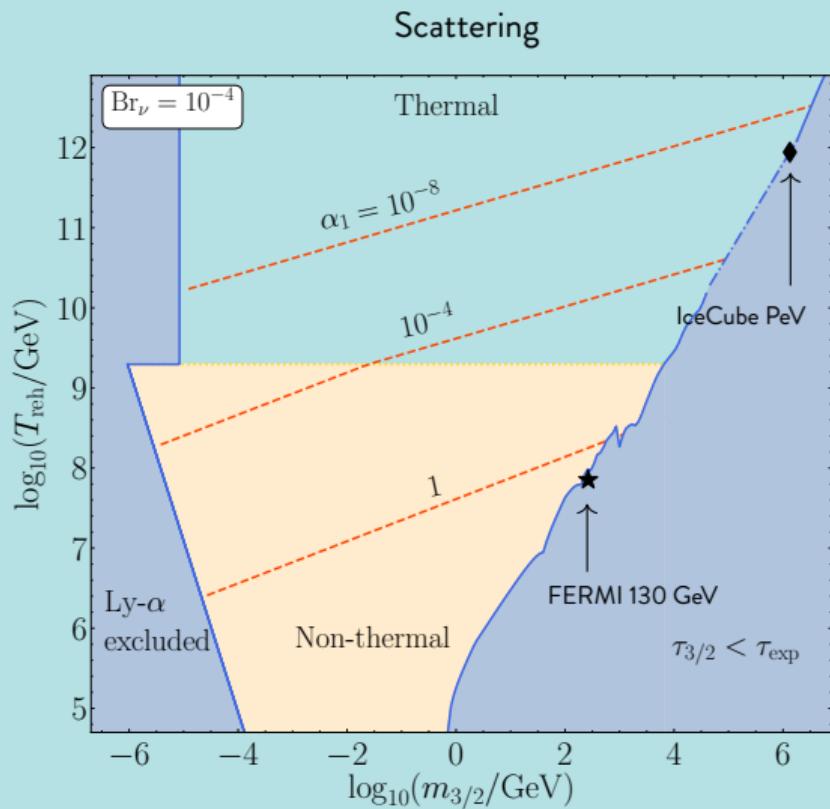
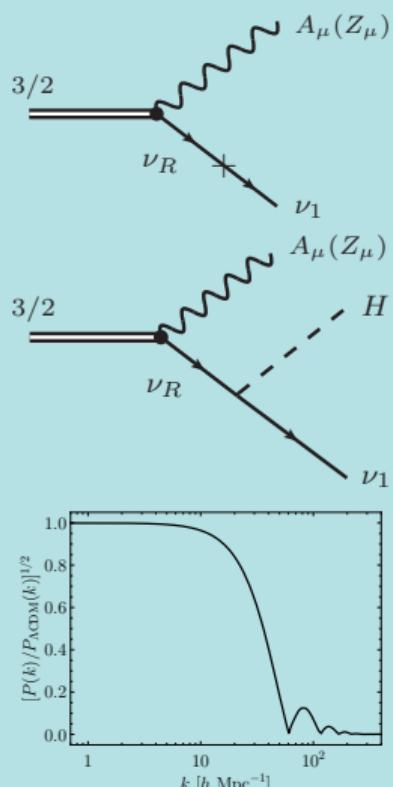


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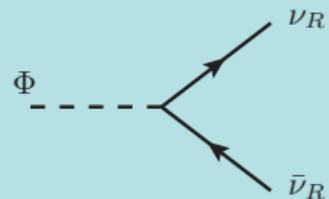


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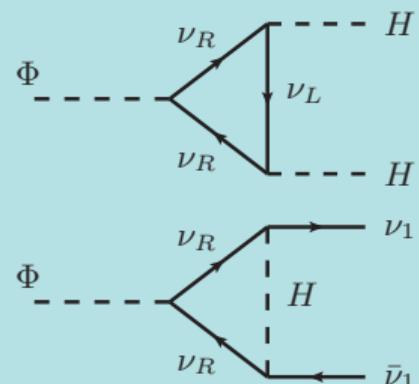
Production (via inflaton decay)

Via α_1 ,

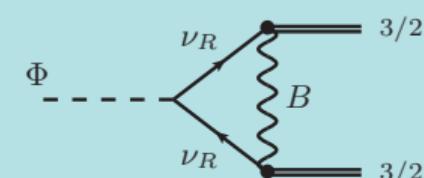
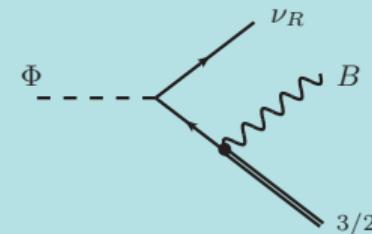
$M_R \ll m_\Phi$:



$M_R \gg m_\Phi$:



(via α_2 are 2-loop suppressed)



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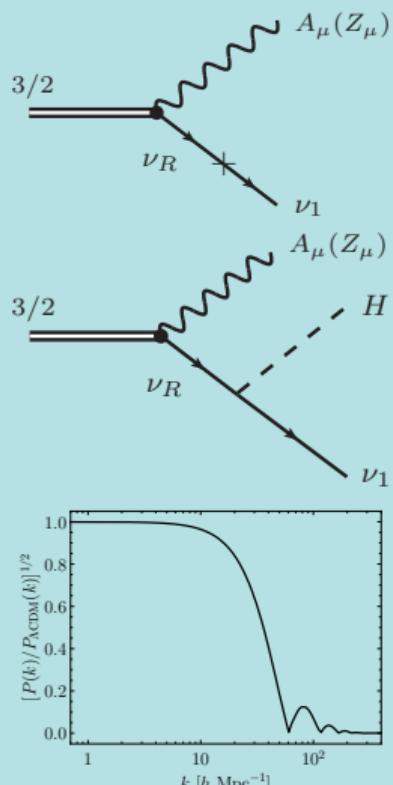


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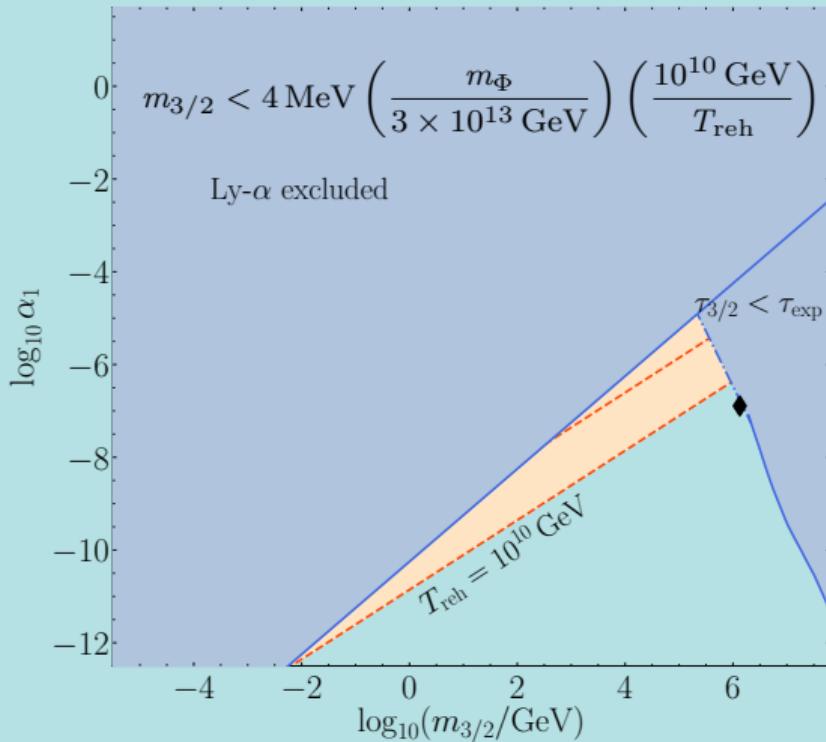


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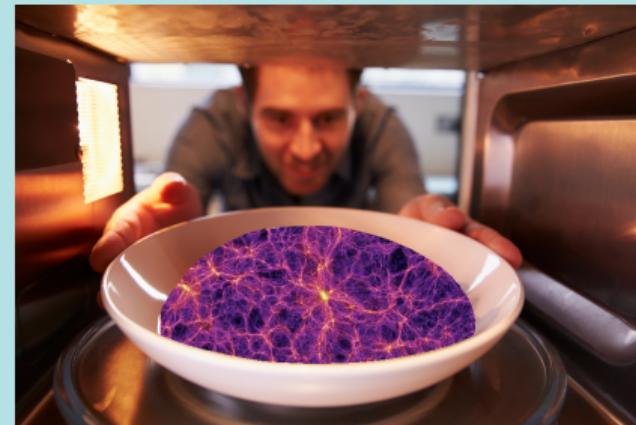
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- The light beyond the WIMP: the Big Bang itself?
- Dark matter as a probe of early dynamics
- Beyond weak coupling: large effective masses, (WIMPzillas), metric preheating (PBHs), fragmentation (soliton DM)
- Not in this talk: Dark Matter production *during* inflation



Thank You