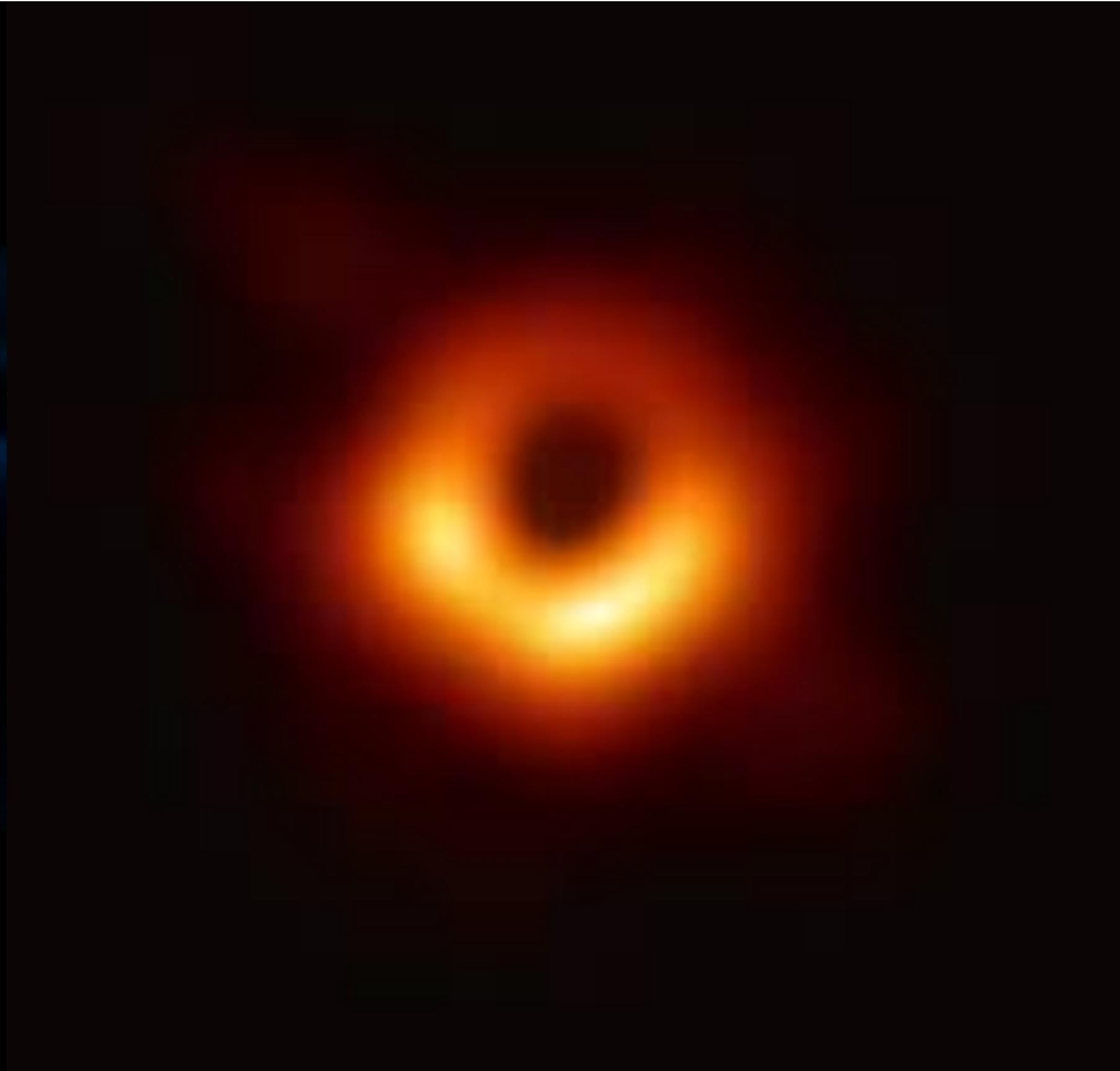
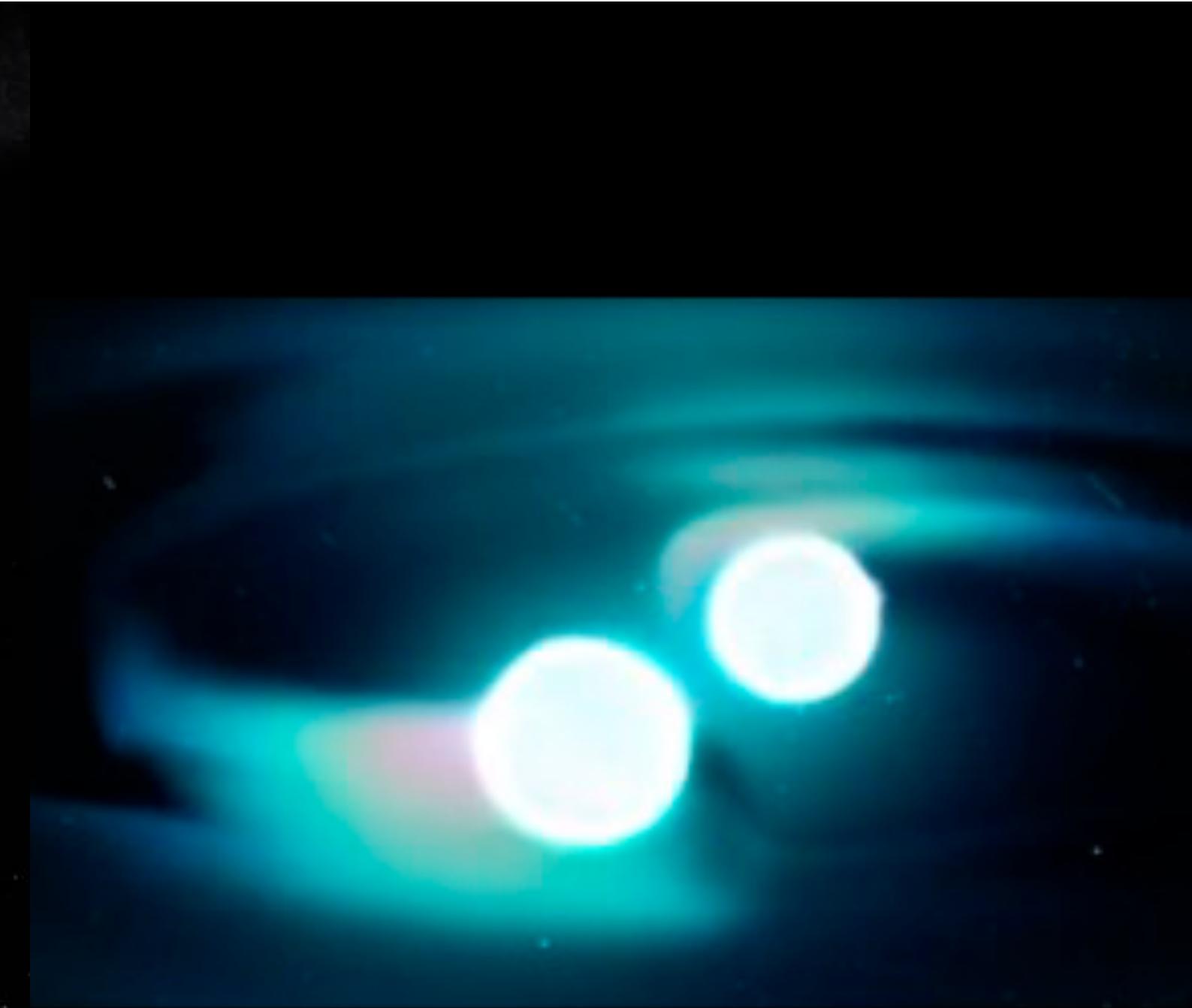
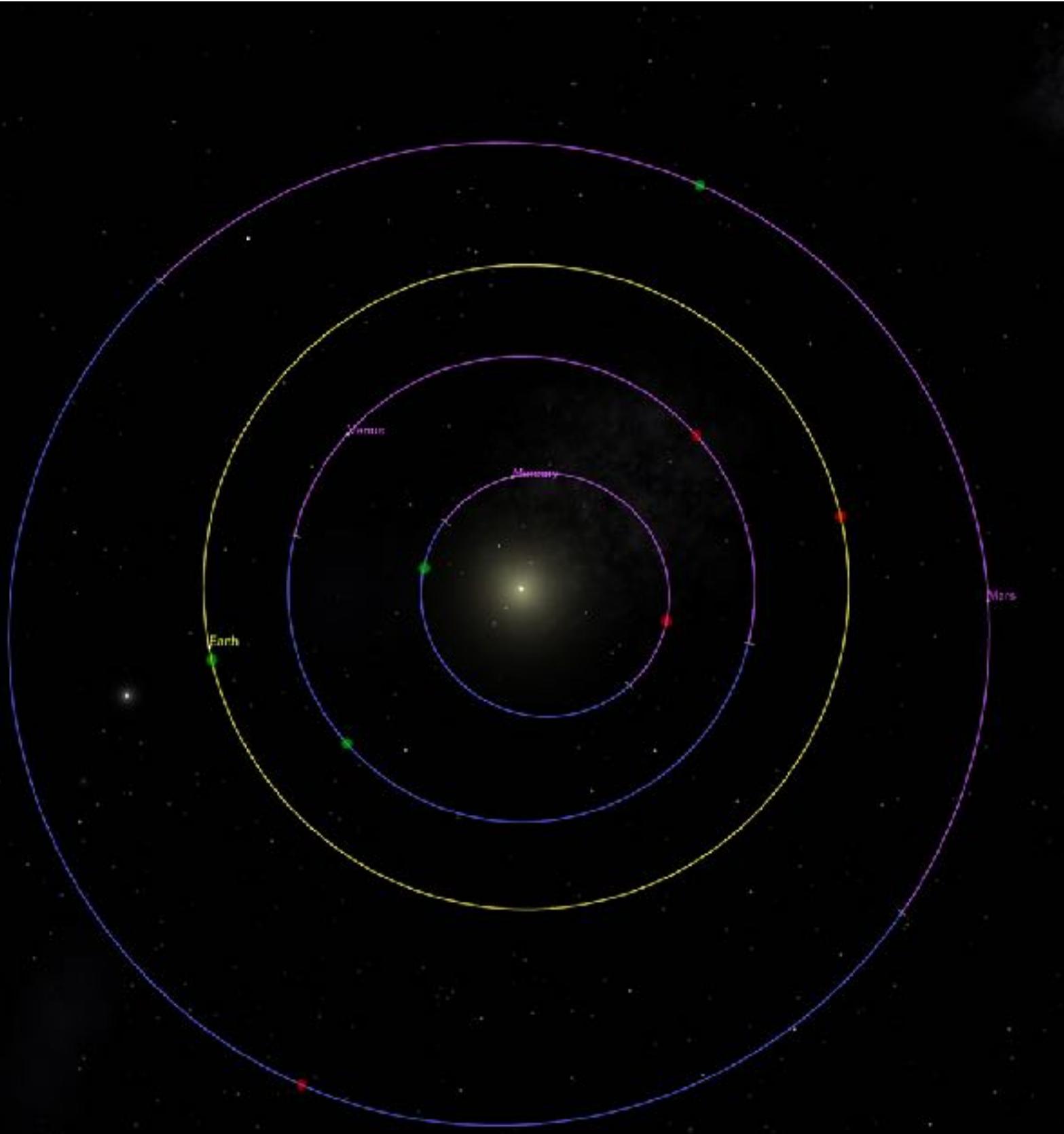


# Light dark matter Implications for structure formation

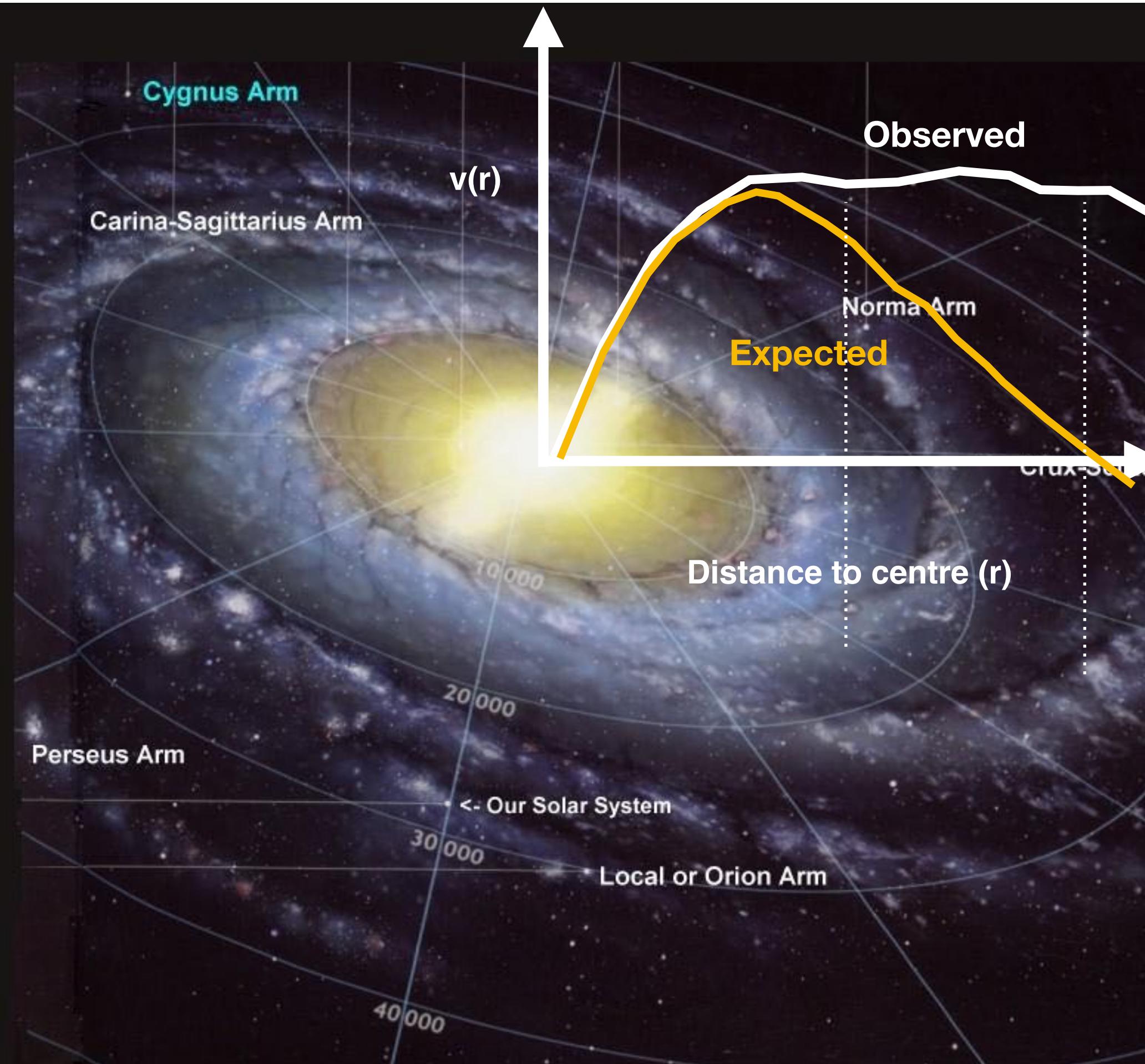
Celine Boehm

Nanjing, December 2022

# General Relativity is triumphant



# And yet, in its current form, it is insufficient



**The good news:** It is always the same thing that is missing

**The bad news:** It is not clear what it is but it does mimic extra (invisible) mass

# How to make sense of these observations?

“Dark Matter”

GR + **SU(3)XSU(2)XU(1)X ?**

GR +  $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$   
+  $i \bar{\psi} \not{D} \psi + h.c.$   
+  $\bar{\psi}_i y_{ij} \psi_j \phi + h.c.$   
+  $D_\mu \phi D^\mu \phi - V(\phi)$

+ ? (A new form of matter)

“Modified GR”

**GR' + SU(3)XSU(2)XU(1)**

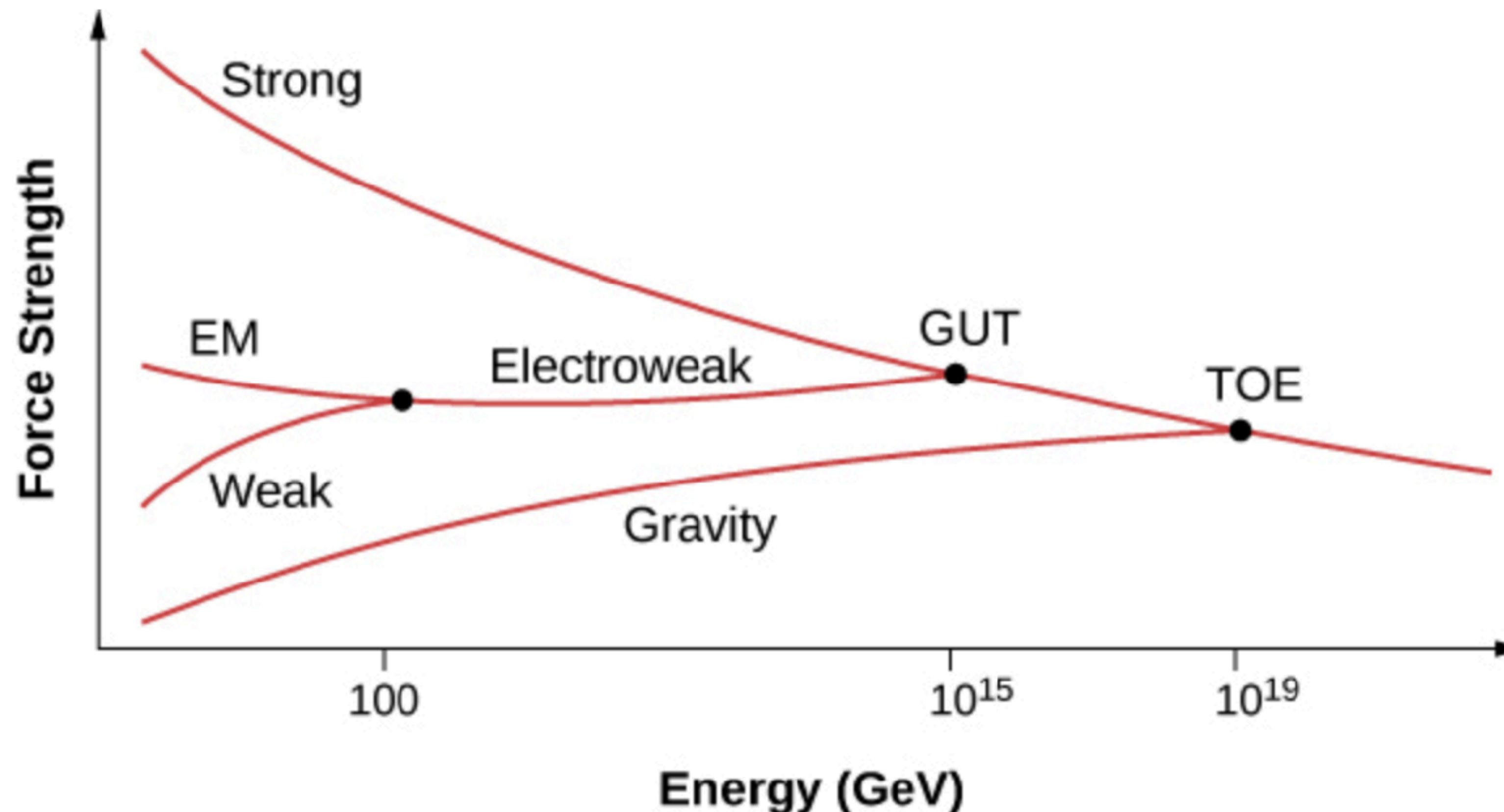
$$\mu \left( \frac{|\vec{a}|}{a_0} \right) \vec{a} = -\nabla \Phi$$

$$\mu(x) = 1 \text{ if } x > 1 \quad \mu(x) \simeq x \text{ if } x < 1$$

GR somewhat scale-dependent

Or PBH, cosmic strings, MACHOs?, etc

# But we might also need a deeper change



Grand unification of forces at high energies.



# Our place in the Universe

## Galaxies within galaxies

LMC and SMC are galaxies within the Milky Way and many more

LMC

Ret II

SMC



1. A small recap of 2 options (GR' vs DM)
2. Focus on DM
3. sub-GeV DM

# The modified gravity route

# "Modified GR"

**GR' + SU(3)XSU(2)XU(1)**

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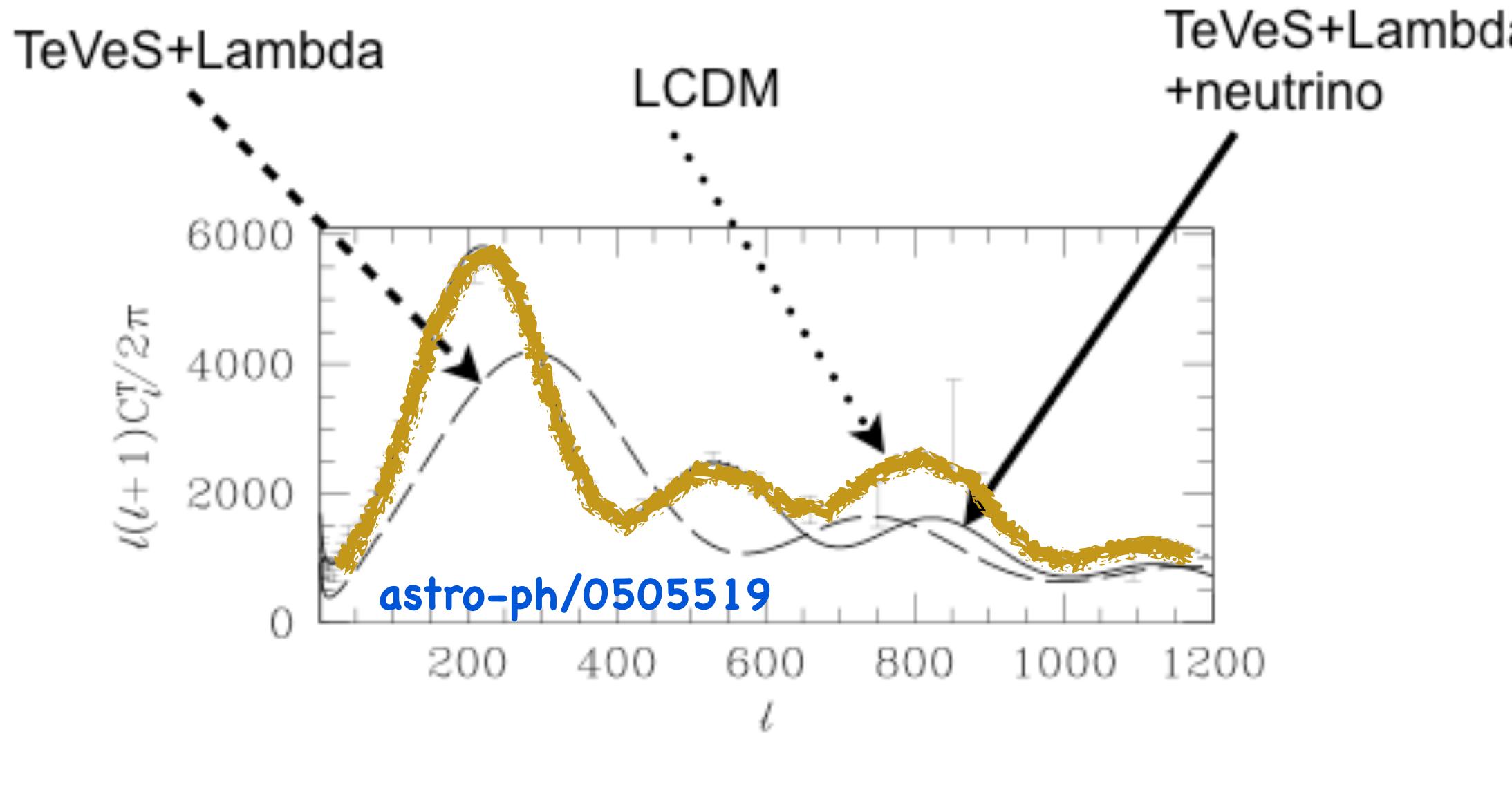


**empirical**

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**TEVES: astro-ph/0403694**



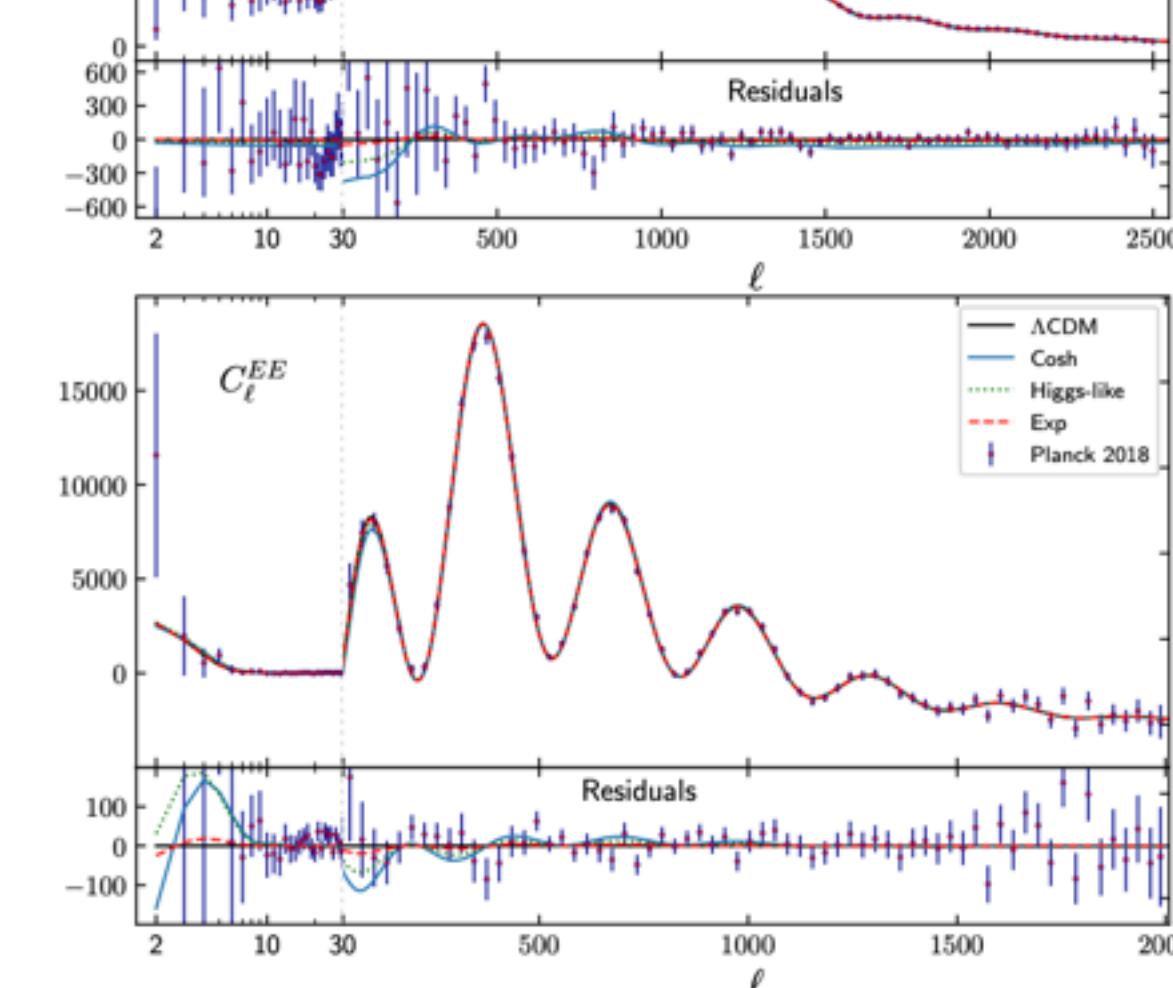
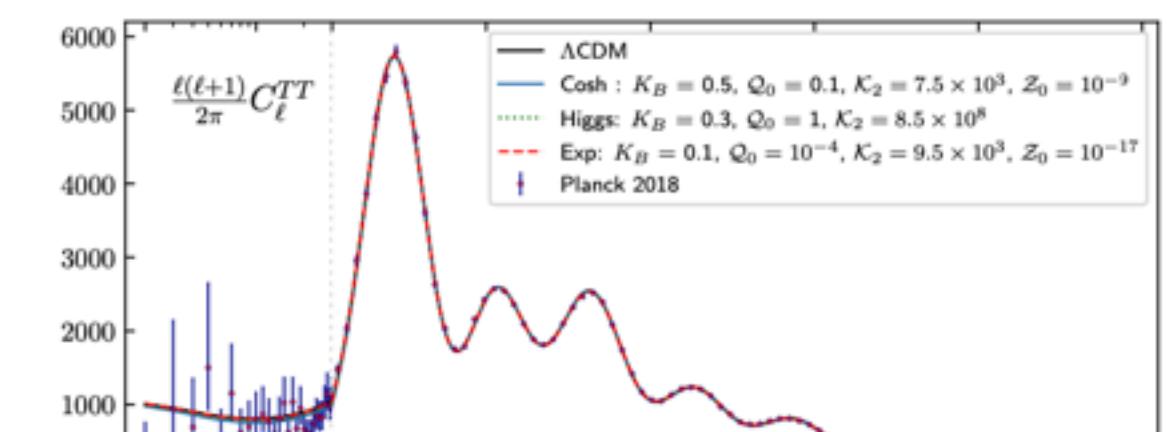
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## New Relativistic Theory for Modified Newtonian Dynamics

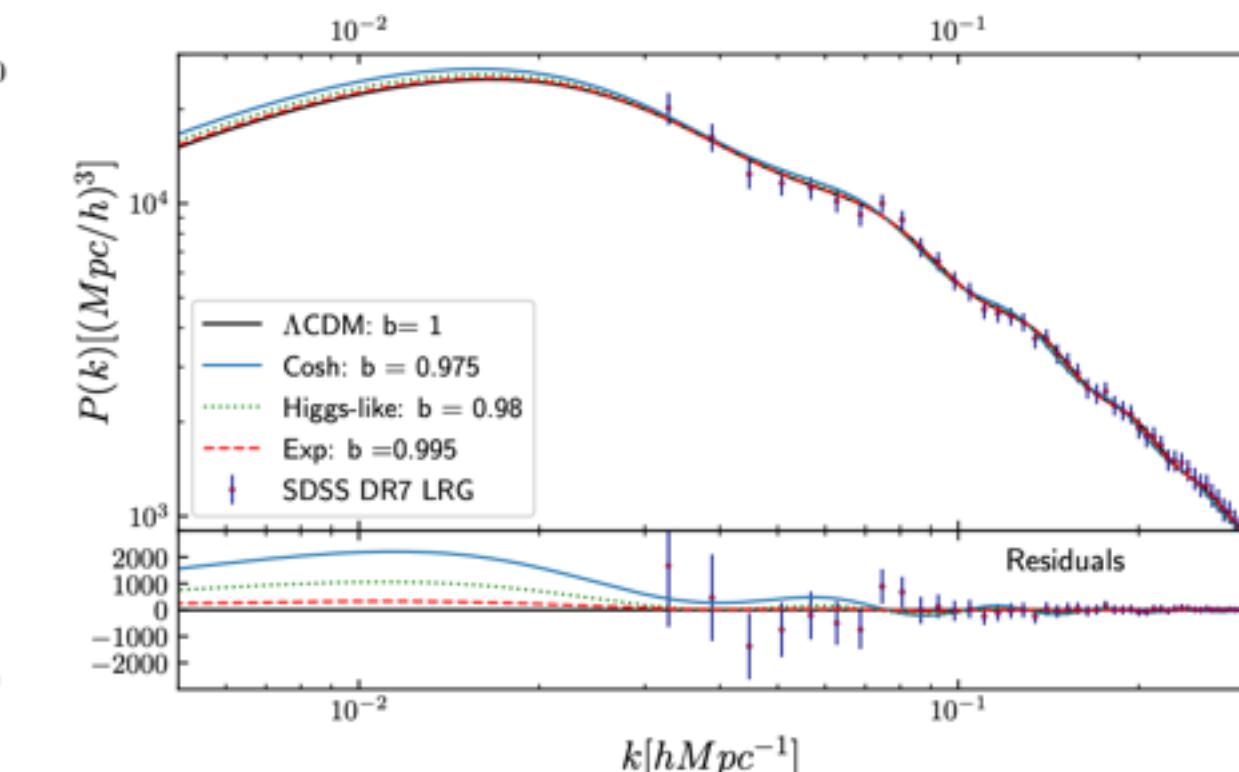
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CEICO, Institute of Physics (FZU) of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Na Slovance 1999/2, 182 21, Prague, Czech Republic

We propose a relativistic gravitational theory leading to modified Newtonian dynamics, a paradigm that explains the observed universal galactic acceleration scale and related phenomenology. We discuss phenomenological requirements leading to its construction and demonstrate its agreement with the observed cosmic microwave background and matter power spectra on linear cosmological scales. We show that its action expanded to second order is free of ghost instabilities and discuss its possible embedding in a more fundamental theory.



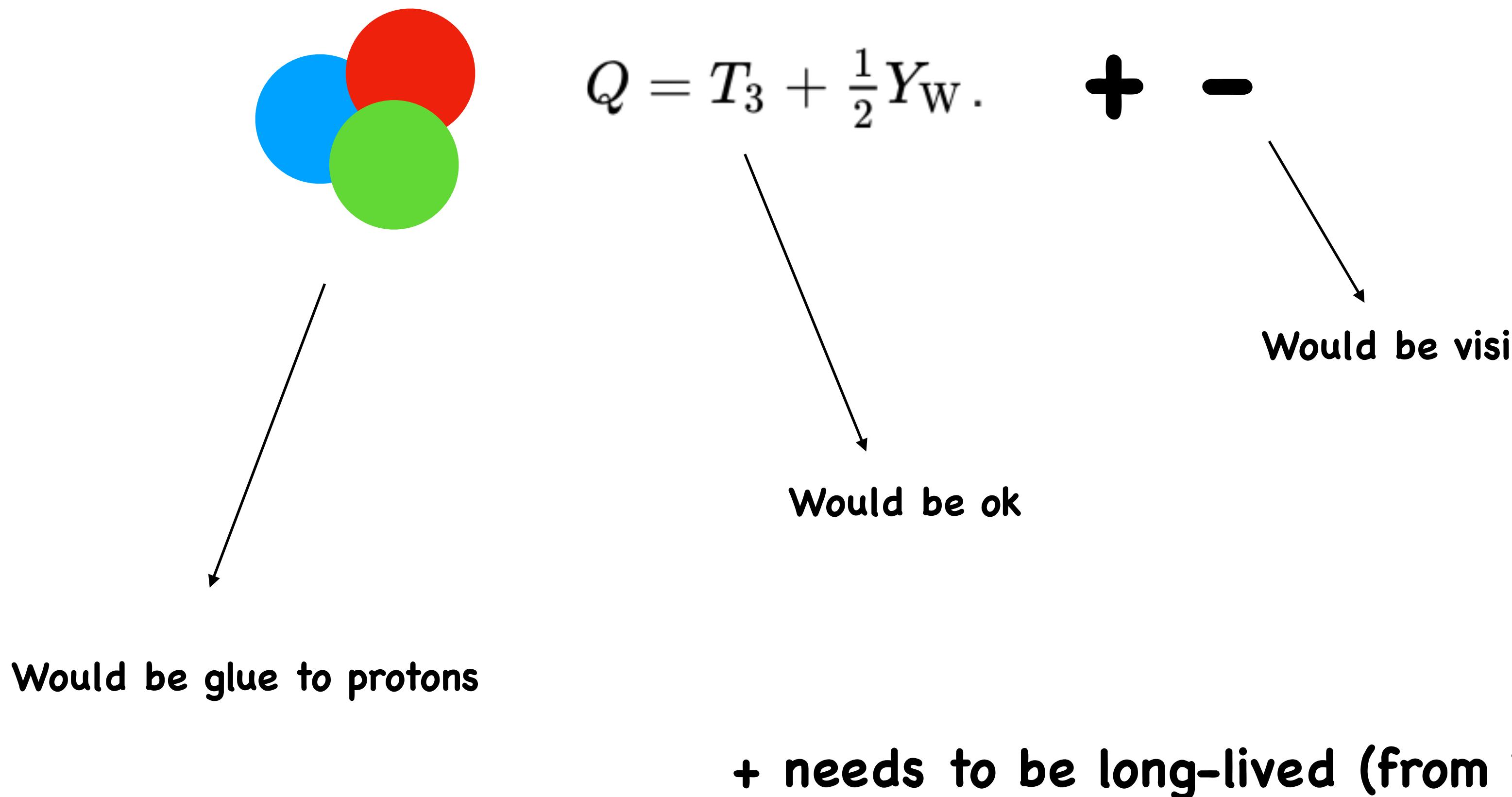
For a point source of mass  $M$ , the MOND-to-Newton transition occurs at  $r_M \sim \sqrt{(G_N M/a_0)}$ . A MOND force  $\sim \sqrt{G_N M a_0}/r$  lends its way trivially to a Newtonian force  $G_N M/r^2$  as  $r \ll r_M$  but in the inner Solar System this is



# **The Particle Physics route**

# Dark Matter as ordinary matter

GR +  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$



# Dark Matter as ordinary matter

## Is it a neutrino?

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### An Upper Limit on the Neutrino Rest Mass\*

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(Received 17 July 1972)

In order that the effect of gravitation of the thermal background neutrinos on the expansion of the universe not be too severe, their mass should be less than  $8 \text{ eV}/c^2$ .

**1980** - Zel'dovich et al develop Hot Dark Matter (HDM) theory

**1983**

### CLUSTERING IN A NEUTRINO-DOMINATED UNIVERSE

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### The formation of galaxies from massive neutrinos

Show affiliations

Davis, M.; Lecar, M.; Pryor, C.; Witten, E.

Scenarios are described that, by including an unstable tau-neutrino, facilitated galaxy formation. Although the unstable particle is chosen to be the tau-neutrino, it is noted that another particle (perhaps not a neutrino at all) with similar mass, lifetime, and decoupling time would serve as well. Without the massive, unstable particle, however, the lighter neutrinos by themselves seem to make galaxy formation on scales less than or equal to 10 to the 12th solar masses almost impossible.

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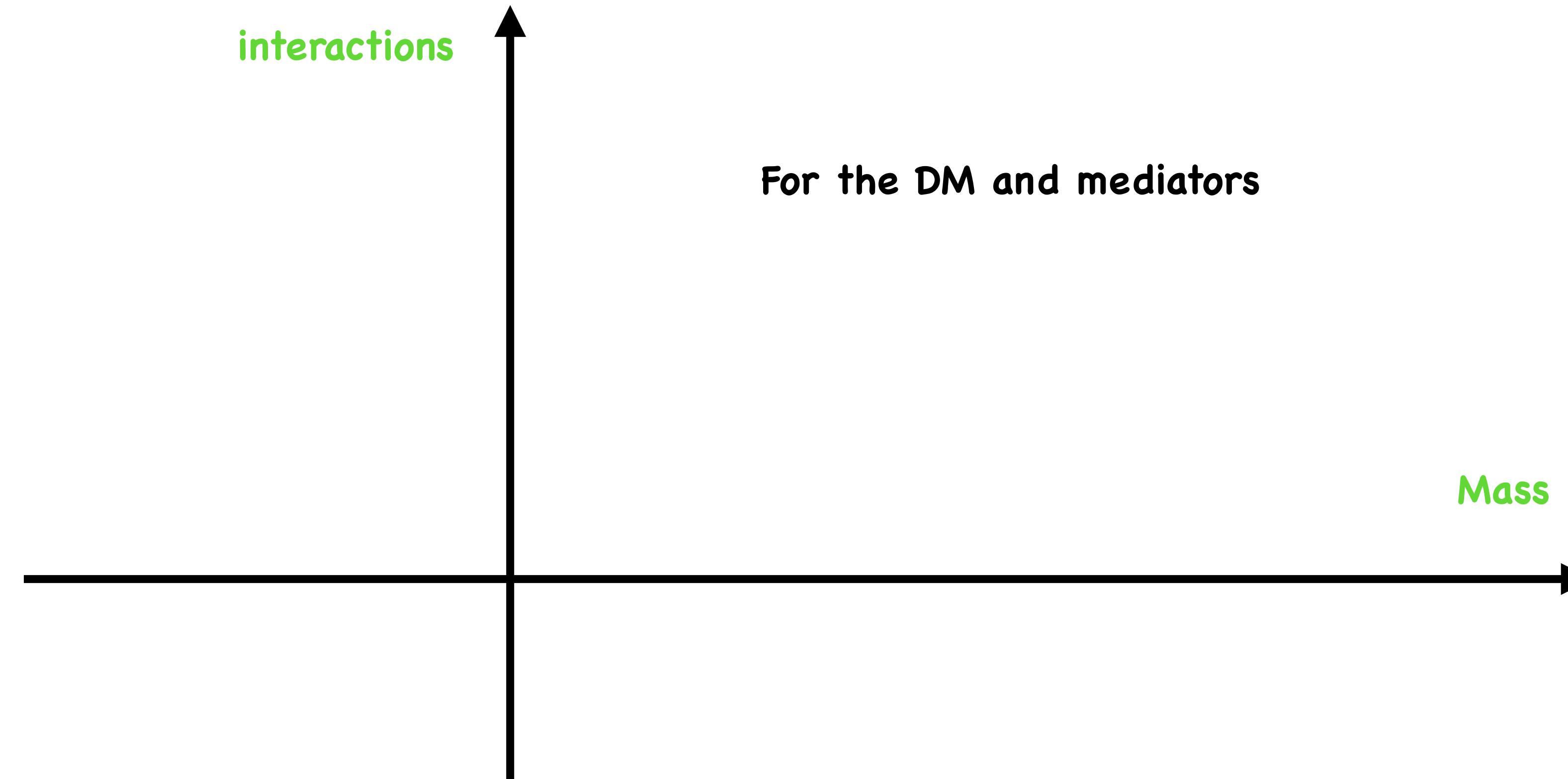
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No! (Or at least very unlikely)

# How to characterise Dark Matter?

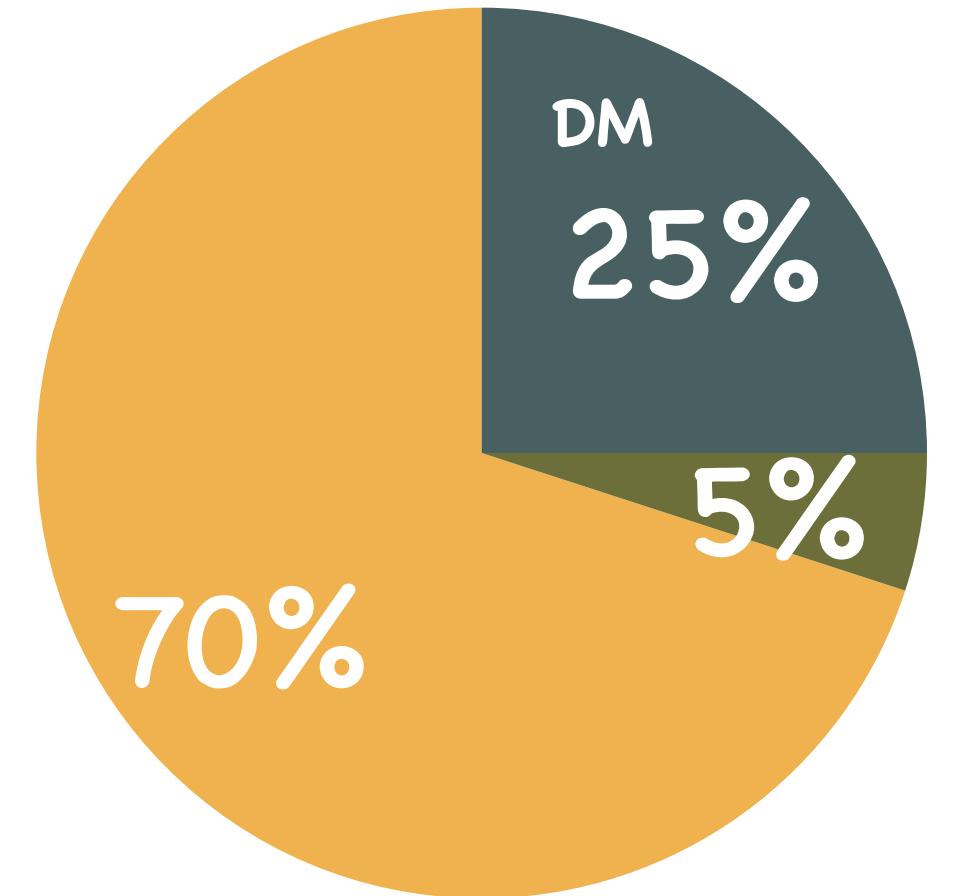
GR +  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  × ??



Mass, spin, Quantum numbers, interactions...

# "Dark Matter"

Also Hut 1977



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## Cosmological Lower Bound on Heavy-Neutrino Masses

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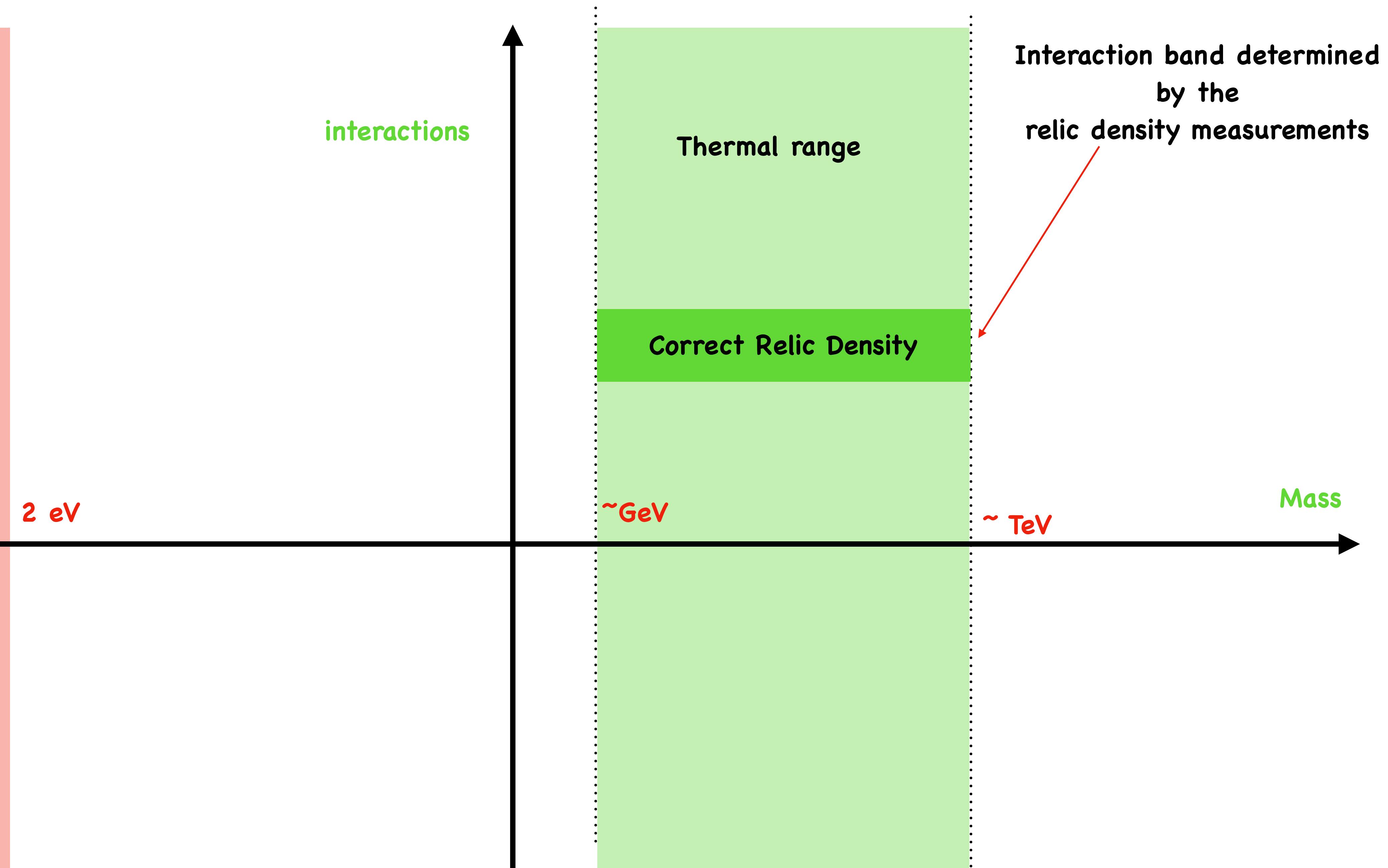
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The present cosmic mass density of possible stable neutral heavy leptons is calculated in a standard cosmological model. In order for this density not to exceed the upper limit of  $2 \times 10^{-29}$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>, the lepton mass would have to be *greater* than a lower bound of the order of 2 GeV.

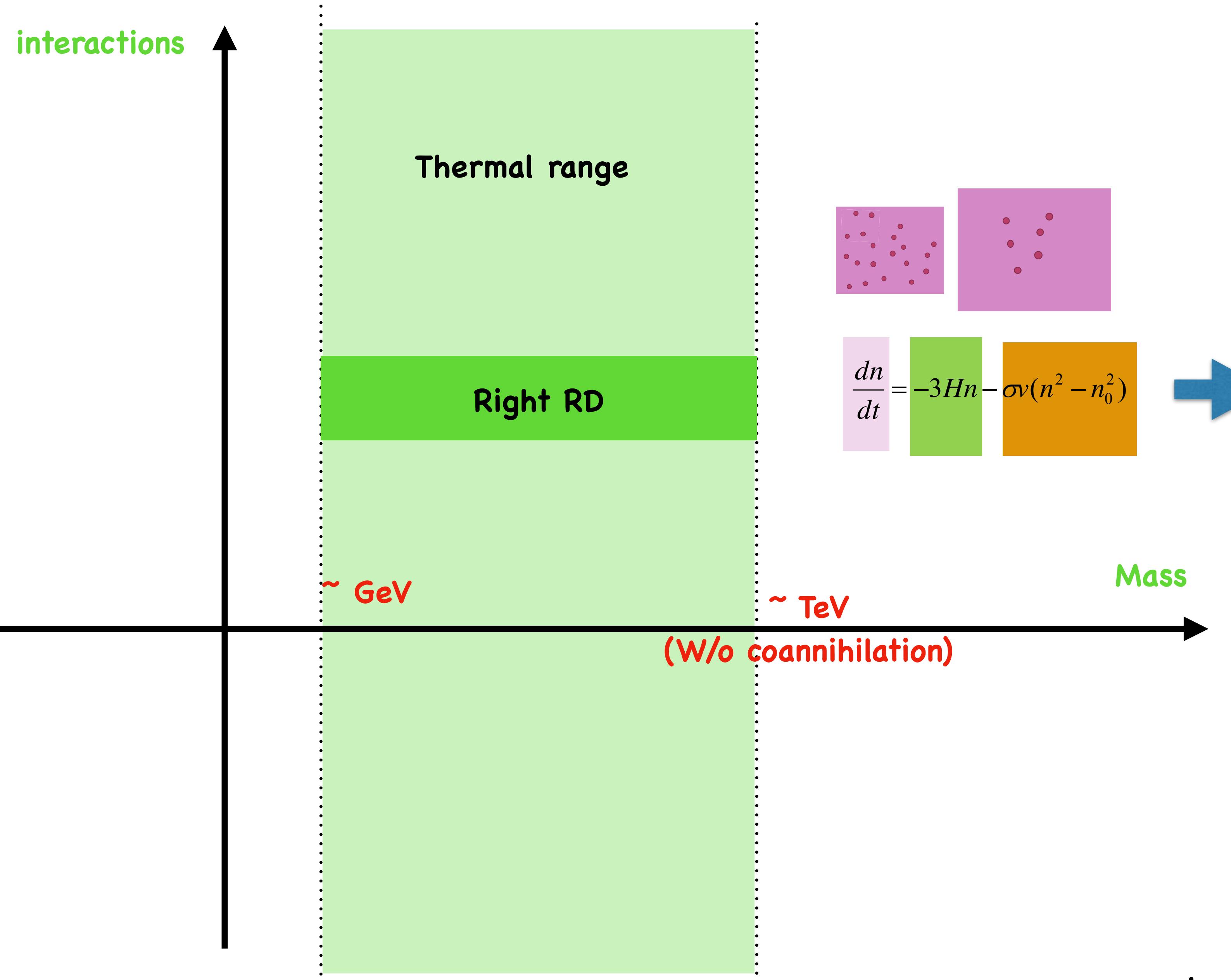
$$m_\nu < 2\text{eV} \text{ or } m_\nu > 2\text{GeV}$$

# Dark Matter mass range (historically)

Not enough small SS  
But mass range ok



# Dark Matter mass range (historically)



Assuming thermal particles,  
It seems DM must have weak-strength  
annihilations...

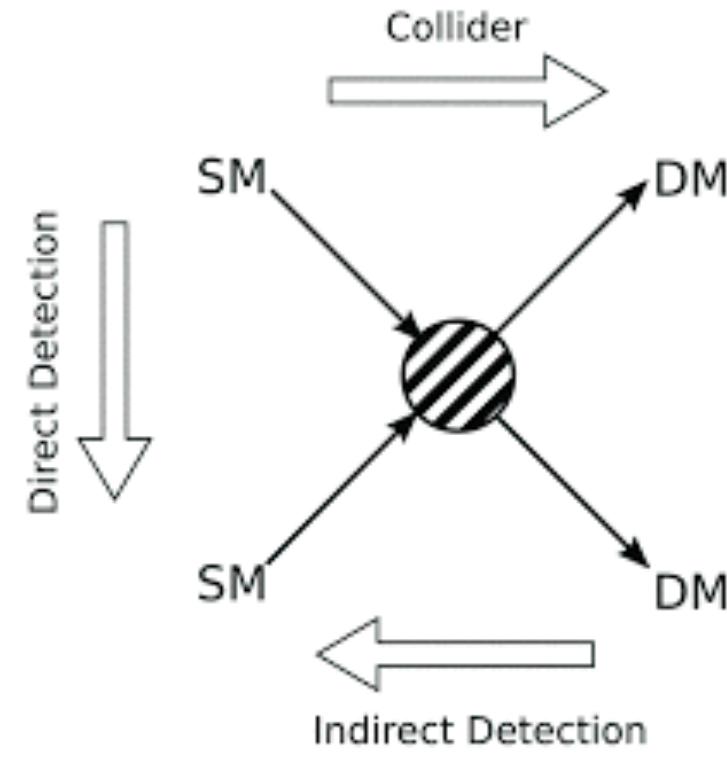
What about the elastic scattering?

# Assuming NO interaction

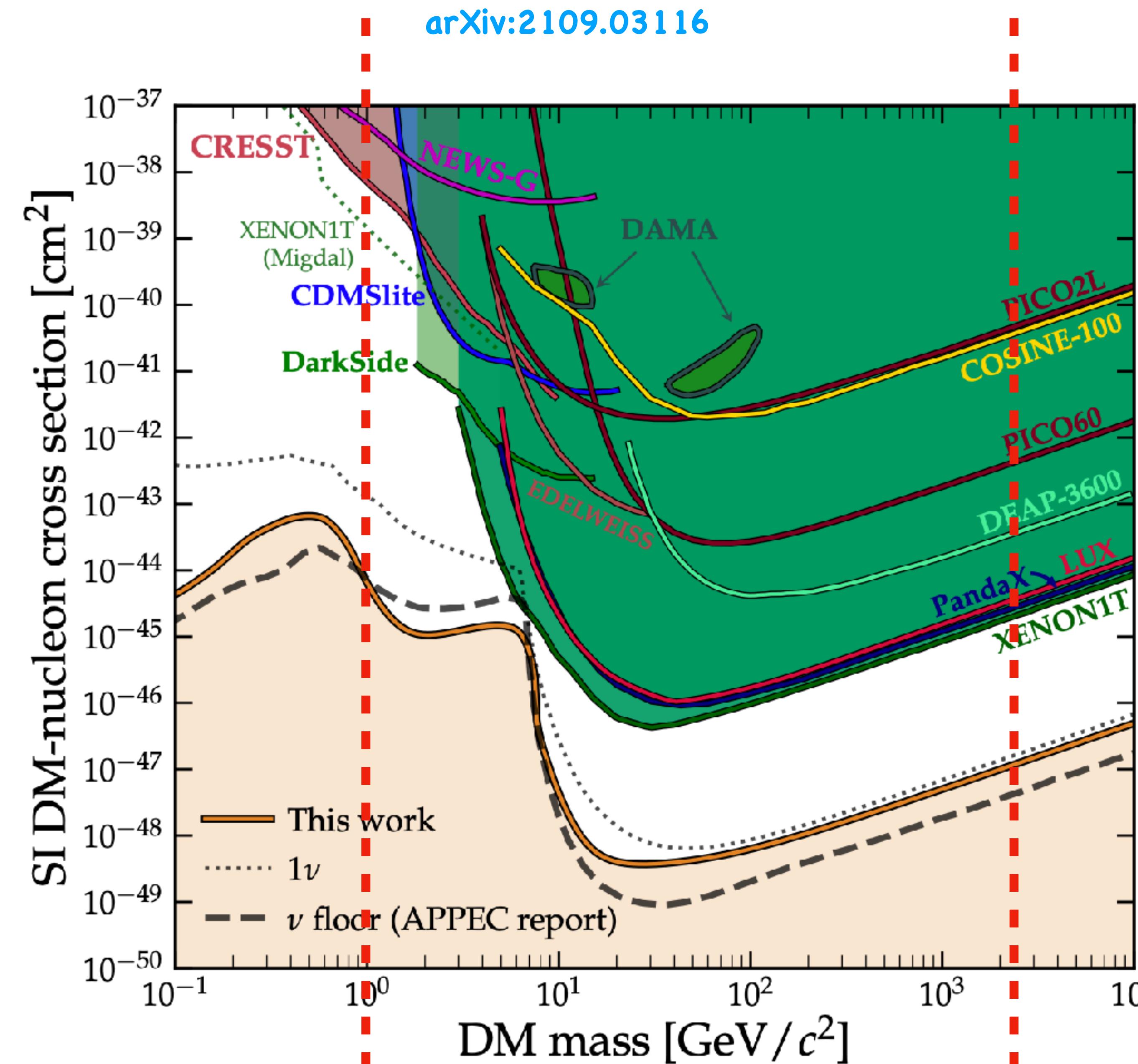
THE EAGLE SIMULATION  
[icc.dur.ac.uk/Eagle](http://icc.dur.ac.uk/Eagle)

$t_{\text{age}} = 13.8 \text{ Gyr}$   
 $\text{Redshift} = 0.00$

# Dark Matter scattering with nucleon



Annihilations



# (Back in 2000s) The main question

Cosmology	Particle Physics	Cosmology
$\sigma = 0$	$\sigma_{ann} \sim \sigma_{weak}$	$\sigma_{SIDM} \sim \sigma_T$
	DM-SM	

What is the effect of DM-SM interactions on cosmological structures?

Towards MeV-GeV thermal DM (or lighter!)

# Effect of collisions in cosmology

letters to nature

*Nature* **215**, 1155 - 1156 (09 September 1967); doi:10.1038/2151155a0

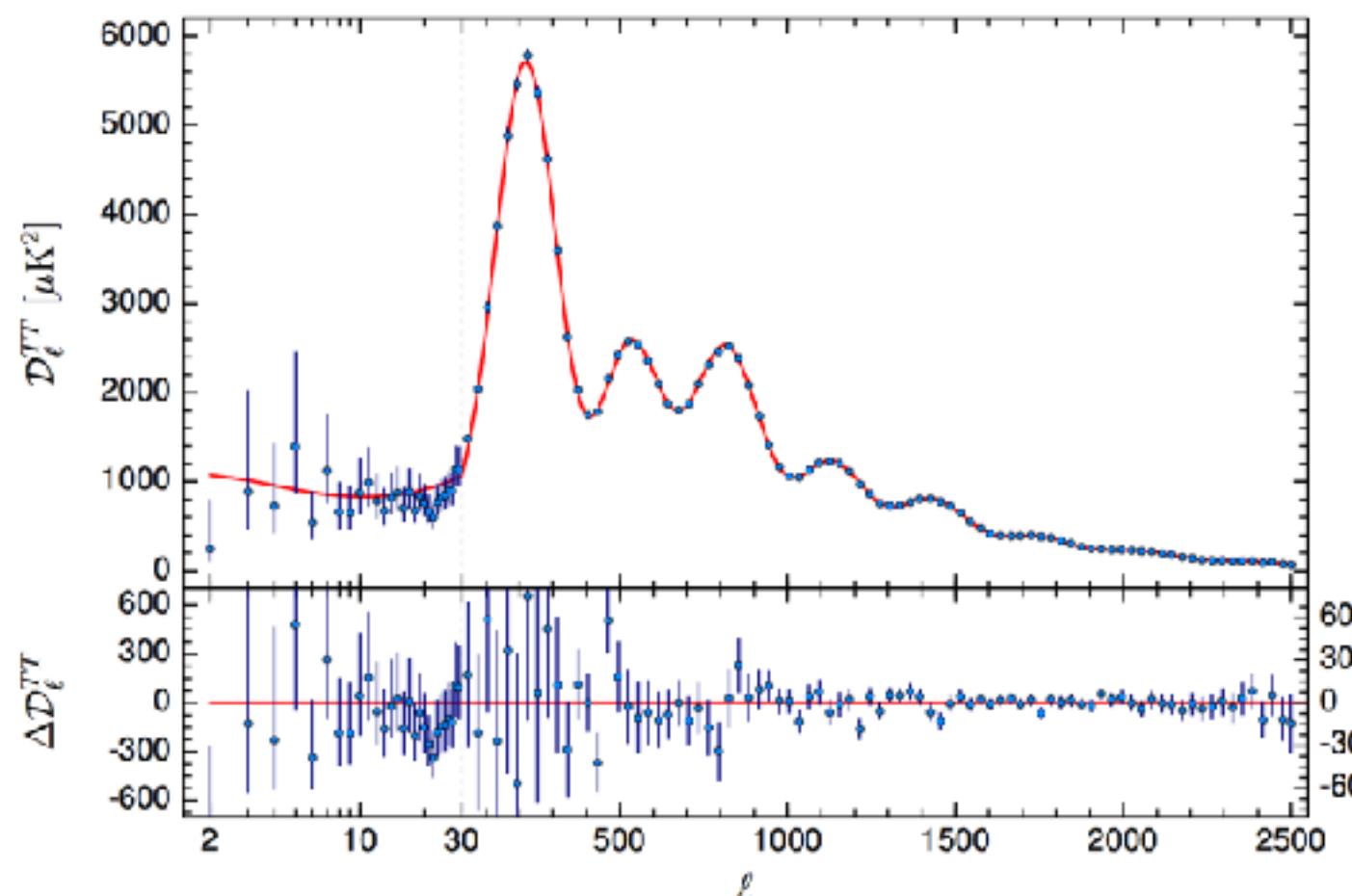
## Fluctuations in the Primordial Fireball

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ONE of the overwhelming difficulties of realistic cosmological models is the inadequacy of Einstein's gravitational theory to explain the process of galaxy formation<sup>1-6</sup>. A means of evading this problem has been to postulate an initial spectrum of primordial fluctuations<sup>7</sup>. The interpretation of the recently discovered 3° K microwave background as being of cosmological origin<sup>8,9</sup> implies that fluctuations may not condense out of the expanding universe until an epoch when matter and radiation have decoupled<sup>4</sup>, at a temperature  $T_D$  of the order of 4,000° K. The question may then be posed: would fluctuations in the primordial fireball survive to an epoch when galaxy formation is possible ?

Planck Collaboration: The *Planck* mission



## Silk damping

The photon fluctuations are erased  
but so are baryonic fluctuations!

And the rest can also be erased due to free-streaming

# Effect of collisions in cosmology

Silk damping revisited

$$l_{Silk}^2 \simeq \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \int^{t_{dec(b-\gamma)}} \frac{c^2 \rho_\gamma}{\rho_{tot} a^2 \Gamma_\gamma} (1 + \Theta_\gamma) dt$$

Boehm-Schaeffer 2000, 2004 using Weinberg 1971 & Chapman, Cowling 1970

Generalising the Silk damping

$$l_{cd}^2 \simeq \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \sum_i \int^{t_{dec(DM-i)}} \frac{v_i^2 \rho_i}{\rho_{tot} a^2 \Gamma_i} (1 + \Theta_i) dt$$

And the free-streaming

$$l_{fs}^2 \propto \int_{t_{dec(DM)}}^{t_0} \frac{v}{a(t)} dt$$

# Maximising the collisional damping

$$l_{DM-\gamma}^2 \simeq \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \int^{t_{dec(DM-\gamma)}} \frac{c^2 \rho_\gamma}{\rho_{tot} a^2 \Gamma_\gamma} dt$$

**~ Silk damping**

$$l_{DM-\nu}^2 \simeq \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \int^{t_{dec(DM-\nu)}} \frac{c^2 \rho_\nu}{\rho_{tot} a^2 \Gamma_\nu} dt$$

**New and new regime** (Like b-nu interactions by Misner 1966)

$$l_{DM-b}^2 \simeq \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \int^{t_{dec(DM-b)}} \frac{v^2 \rho_b}{\rho_{tot} a^2 \Gamma_b} dt$$

**Inefficient unless dark Coulomb interactions**

$$l_{DM-DM}^2 \simeq \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \int^{t_{dec(DM-DM)}} \frac{v^2 \rho_{DM}}{\rho_{tot} a^2 \Gamma_{DM}} dt$$

**Self-Interacting**

# DM-neutrino collisional damping

$$l_{DM-\nu}^2 \simeq \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \int^{t_{dec(DM-\nu)}} \frac{c^2 \rho_\nu}{\rho_{tot} a^2 \Gamma_\nu} dt \quad \text{with} \quad \Gamma_\nu \equiv \sum_i \Gamma_{dec(\nu-i)}$$

	SM	BSM
Collisional damping	$\Gamma_{\nu-e} > \Gamma_{\nu-DM}$ $\Gamma_\nu > \Gamma_{DM-\nu}$	$\Gamma_{\nu-DM} > \Gamma_{\nu-e}$ $\Gamma_\nu > \Gamma_{DM-\nu}$
Mixed damping	$\Gamma_{\nu-e} > \Gamma_{\nu-DM}$ $\Gamma_{DM-\nu} > \Gamma_\nu$	$\Gamma_{\nu-DM} > \Gamma_{\nu-e}$ $\Gamma_{DM-\nu} > \Gamma_\nu$

$$l_{DM-\nu}^2 \simeq \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \int^{t_{dec(DM-\nu)}} \frac{c^2 \rho_\nu}{\rho_{tot} a^2 H} dt$$

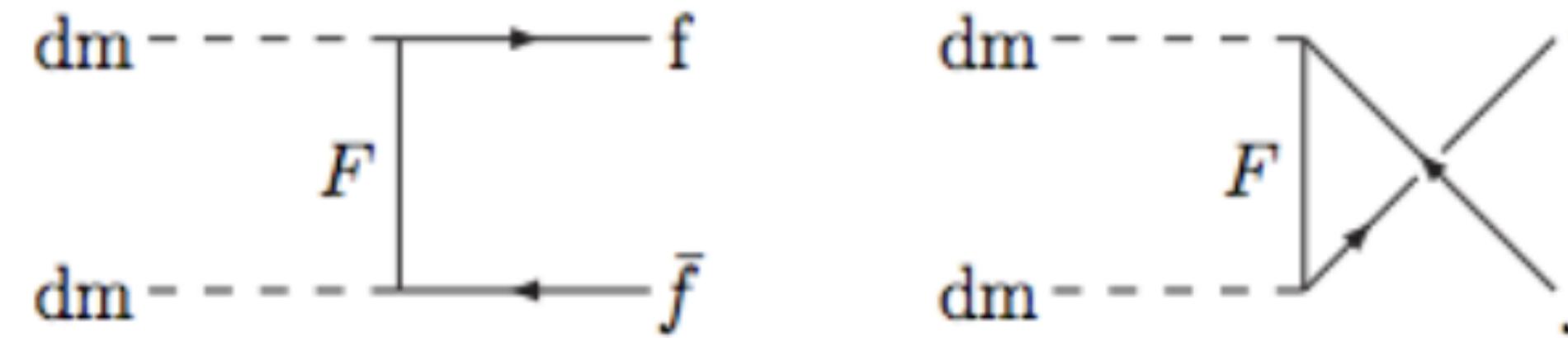
DM stays coupled to free-streaming neutrinos (i.e. < MeV): the lighter the DM, the more efficient

Can the annihilation cross section be independent of the dark matter mass?

# Evading the Lee-Weinberg limit

hep-ph/0305261

Assuming thermal DM, the main requirement is to find a cross section that is not dependent on mdm



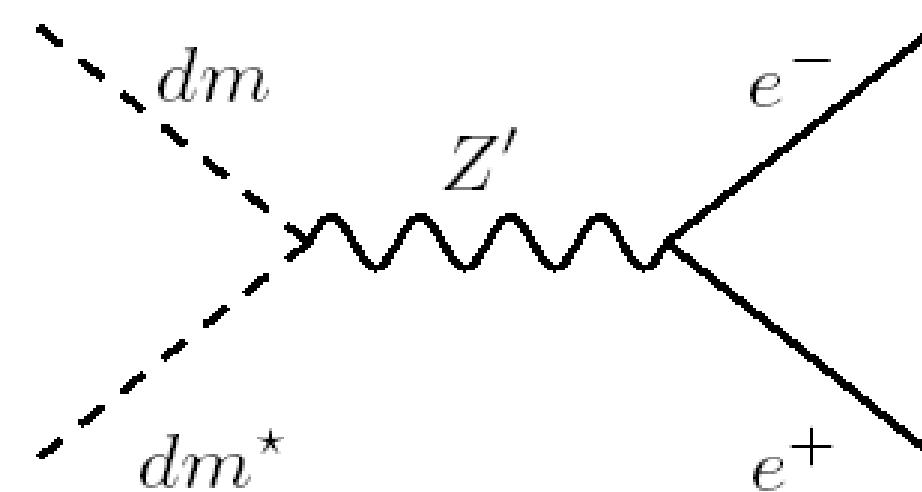
$$\sigma v \propto \frac{1}{m_F^4} \left( (C_l^2 + C_r^2) m_f + 2C_l C_r m_F \right)^2$$

The cross section is independent of the DM mass so the DM can be light!

Also found by Feng&kumar ([0803.4196](#))

# Evading the Lee-Weinberg limit

Boehm & Fayet hep-ph/0305261



$$\sigma v \propto v^2 \frac{m_{\text{DM}}^2}{m_{Z'}^4} g_{\text{DM}}^2 g_e^2$$

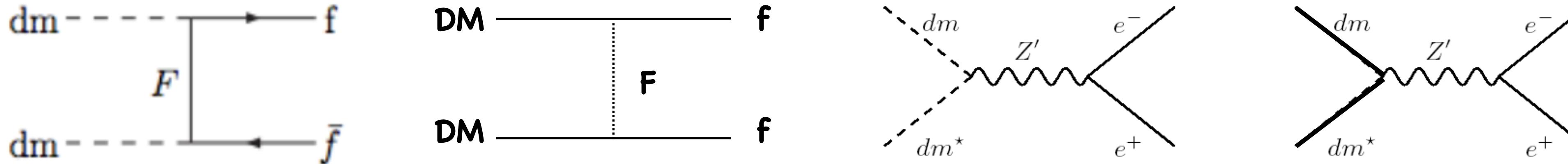
P-wave (but D-wave can be important too)

Depends on the DM mass but the cross section can have the right value if  $m_{dm} = m_{Z'}$

$\Rightarrow$  viable solution for light DM provided that the dark mediator/dark photon is light

Dark Photons/ $Z'$  were used afterwards in a different context: Pamela anomaly, DAMA, Ultra Light DM etc

# MeV-GeV range DM : which mediators?



NMSSM-like: light scalar and pseudo scalar (Higgs-like) mediators

Axions?

Spin 3/2?

See Natalia Toro's talk

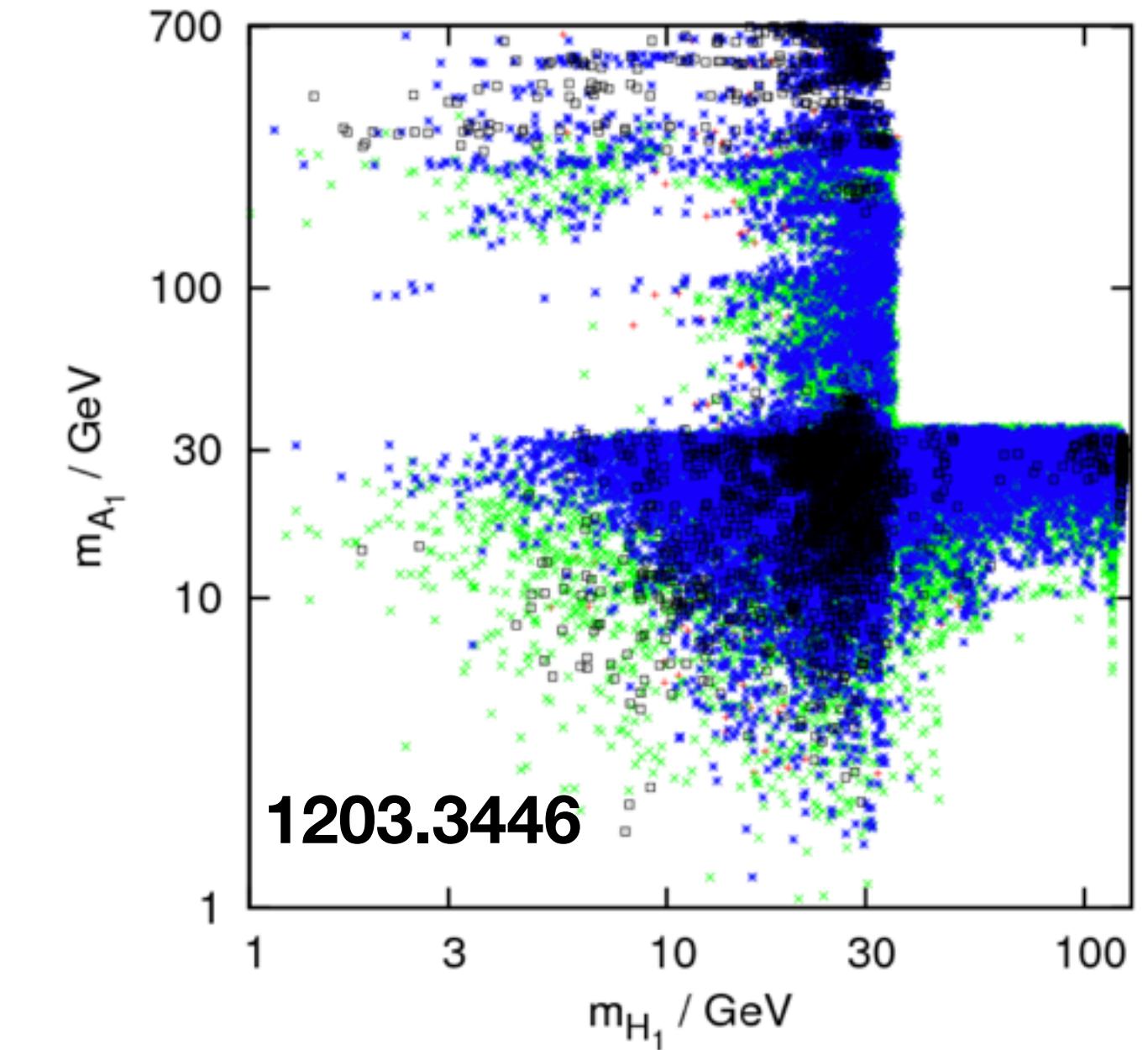
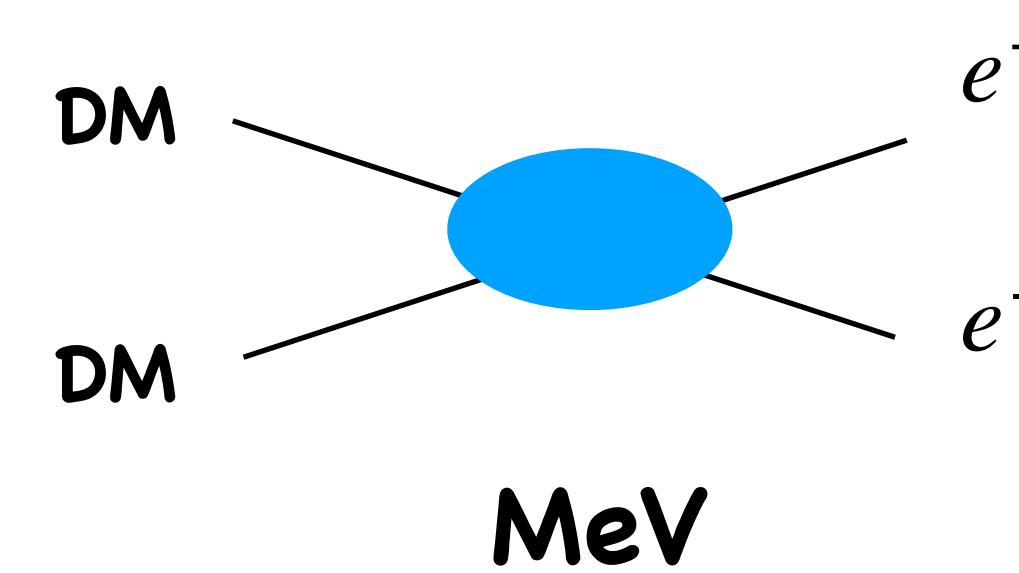


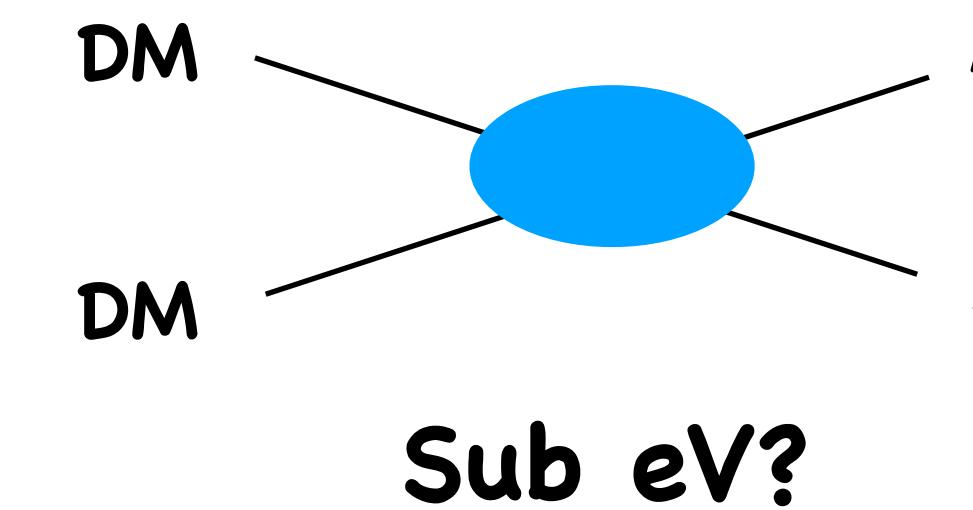
FIG. 2: Masses of the Higgs scalars  $H_1, H_2$  and pseudoscalar  $A_1$ . Red points are ruled out either by HiggsBounds constraints or the ATLAS  $1\text{fb}^{-1}$  jets and missing  $E_T$  SUSY search. Green points have no Higgs with a mass in  $122 - 128$  GeV, blue points have a Higgs ( $H_1$  and/or  $H_2$ ) within this mass range, and black points have such a Higgs with  $R_{gg\gamma\gamma} > 0.4$ .

# Burst of alternative models/thinking

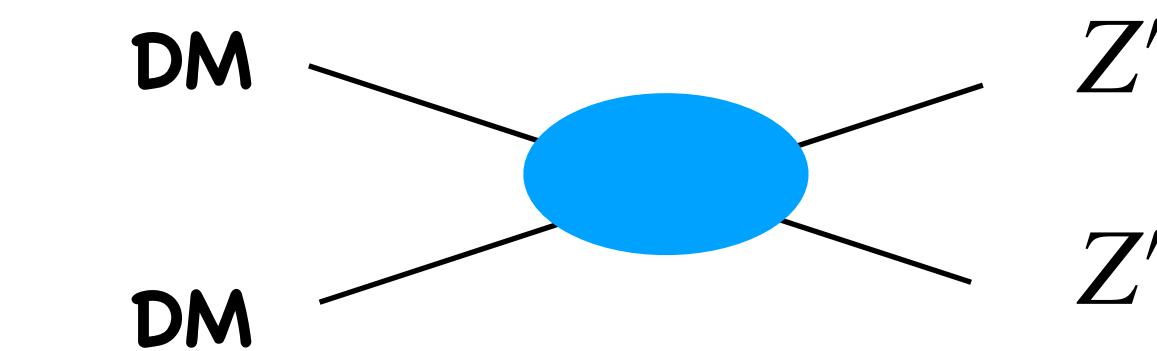
DM can be lighter than a proton but how low can it be?



MeV



Sub eV?



Depends on the dark sector

Should there be annihilations at all?

Asymmetric DM, Freeze-in, non thermal DM

# Can annihilating Dark Matter be lighter than a few GeVs?

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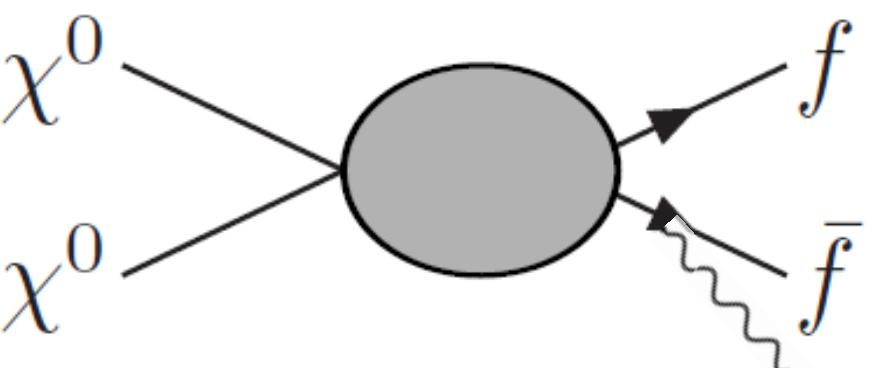
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(Dated: 22 August 2002)

We estimate the gamma ray fluxes from the residual annihilations of Dark Matter particles having a mass  $m_{dm} \in [\text{MeV}, O(\text{GeV})]$  and compare them to observations. We find that particles lighter than  $O(100 \text{ MeV})$  are excluded unless their cross section is S-wave suppressed.

astro-ph/0208458

Dark Matter haloes



Annihilation for RD needs to be p-wave!

$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$r_s$ kpc	$F(\theta)$			$\Phi / (\langle \sigma v_r \rangle_{26} m_{\text{GeV}}^{-2})$ $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	
				1°	10°	45°		
NFW	1	3	1	25	0.077	0.62	1.7	$5.9 \cdot 10^{-6}$
KRA	2	3	0.2	11	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.014	0.15	$7.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$
ISO	2	2	0	4	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.011	0.08	$1.8 \cdot 10^{-7}$
BE	1	3	0.3	4	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.004	0.01	$4.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$

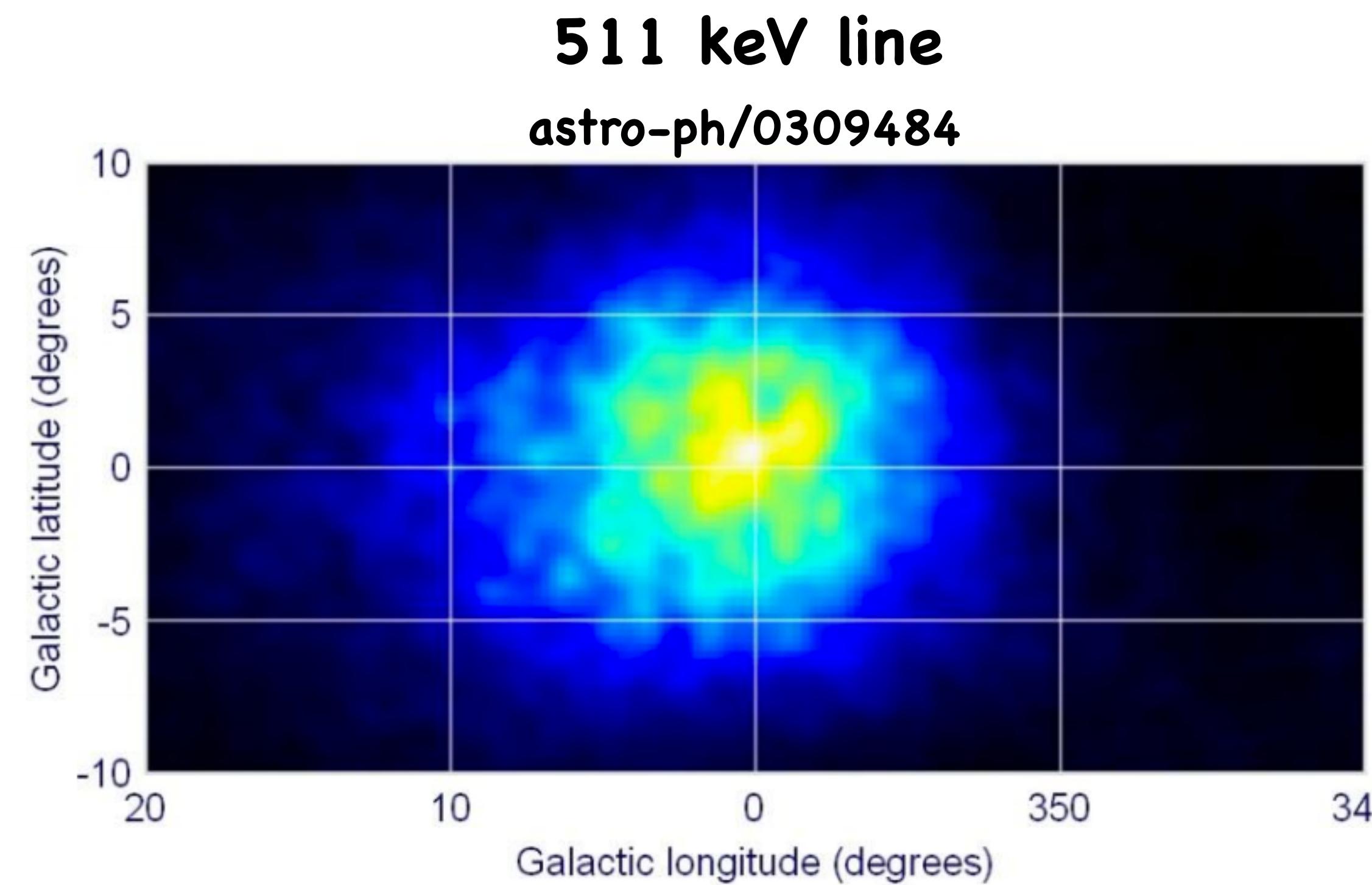
TABLE I: Angular function  $F(\theta)$  and central  $\gamma$ -ray flux  $\Phi(<1.5^\circ)$  for different galactic DM profiles,  $R_{\text{sol}} = 8.5 \text{ kpc}$  and  $\rho_0$  chosen so that  $\rho(R_{\text{sol}}) = 0.3 \text{ GeV}/\text{c}^2 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  [23].

$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$r_s$ kpc	$D$ Mpc	$\rho_0$ $\text{GeV}/\text{c}^2 \text{ cm}^3$	$\Phi_{cl} / (\langle \sigma v_r \rangle_{26} m_{\text{GeV}}^{-2})$ $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	
C-NFW	1	3	1	$0.25/h$	$70/h$	$0.090h^2$	$5.3 \cdot 10^{-10} h^3$
C- $\beta$ -pr.	2	2.25	0	$0.2/h$	$70/h$	$0.13h^2$	$8.8 \cdot 10^{-10} h^3$
V-NFW	1	3	1	0.56	15	0.012	$2.4 \cdot 10^{-9}$
V- $\beta$ -pr.	2	1.41	0	0.015	15	0.76	$3.0 \cdot 10^{-9}$

TABLE II: Expected fluxes from the Coma (C) and Virgo (V) cluster for different DM profiles [24]. For the  $\beta$ -profile of Virgo, only the flux within 1 Mpc is given.  $h = 0.7$ .

# Astrophysical implications of light dark matter

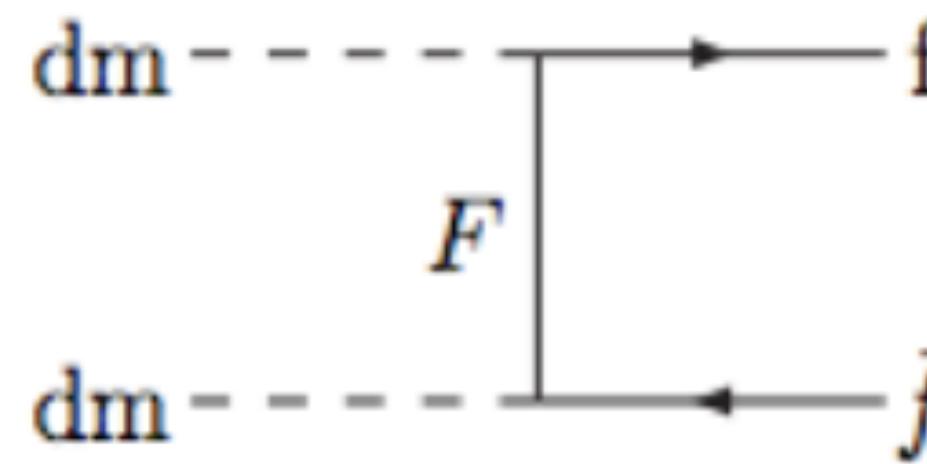
DM DM  $\rightarrow e^+ e^-$  **Positronium formation**  $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  511 keV (para)  
 $\gamma\gamma\gamma$  continuum (ortho)



Morphology of 511 keV line in agreement with DM distribution astro-ph/0309686

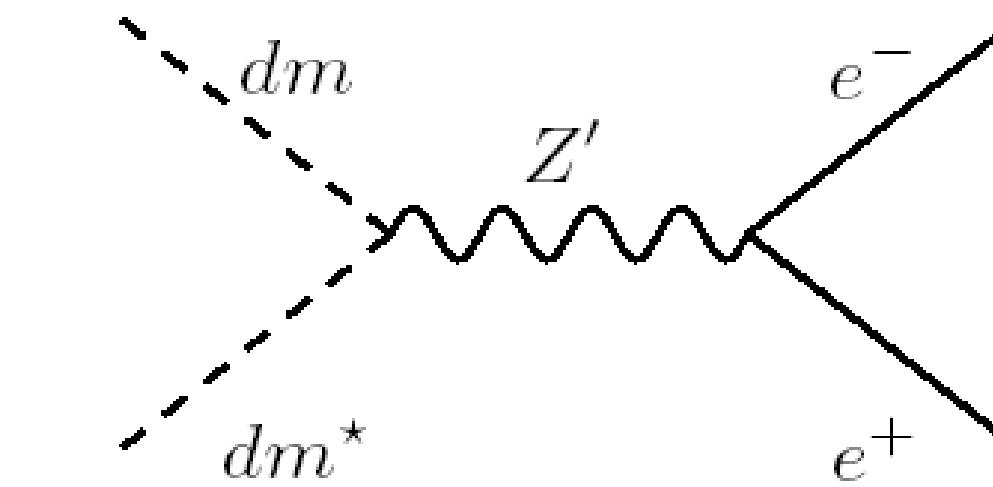
# Astrophysical implications of light dark matter

[astro-ph/0507142](https://arxiv.org/abs/astro-ph/0507142)



Can explain the observed 511 keV morphology  
But cannot explain the relic abundance

Could explain the observed flux (with scalar dark matter)

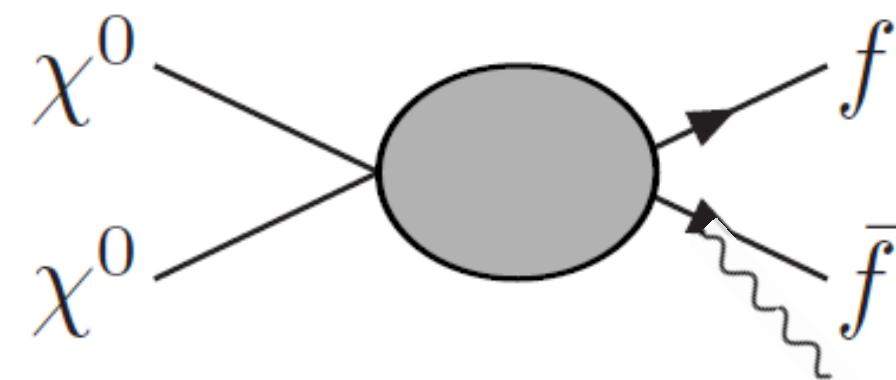


Cannot explain the 511 keV morphology  
But can explain the relic abundance

Not the right channel

$$\frac{m_F}{100 \text{ GeV}} \simeq 6 \times 10^3 \frac{c_l c_r}{m_{\text{MeV}}}$$

# Astrophysical implications of light dark matter



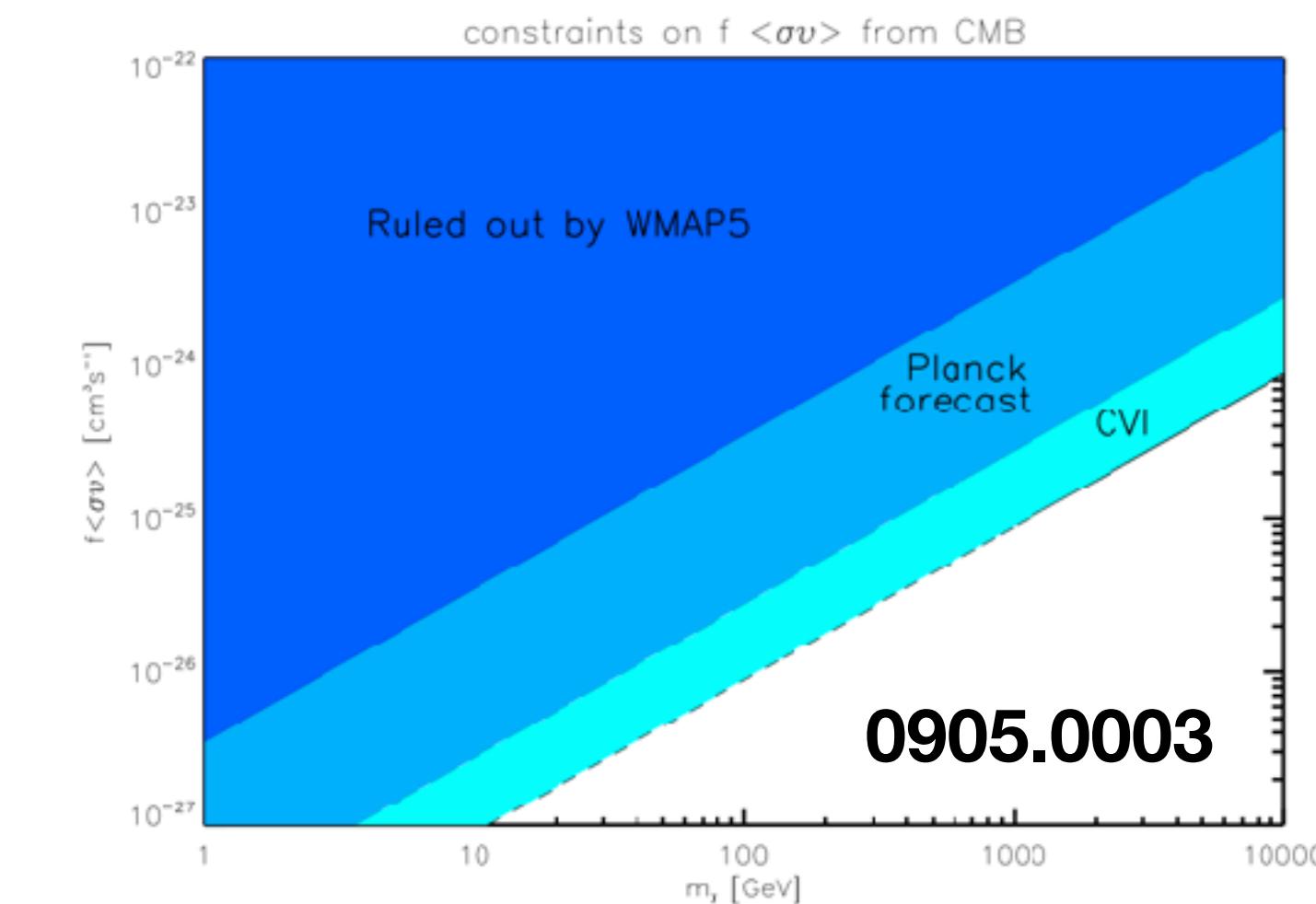
**Gamma-ray emission**

S-wave must be suppressed  
P-wave ok

See also by Boudaud et al (1810.01680)

+ X-ray: 2007.11493 (Cirelli et al) – strong constraints  $m > 20$  MeV

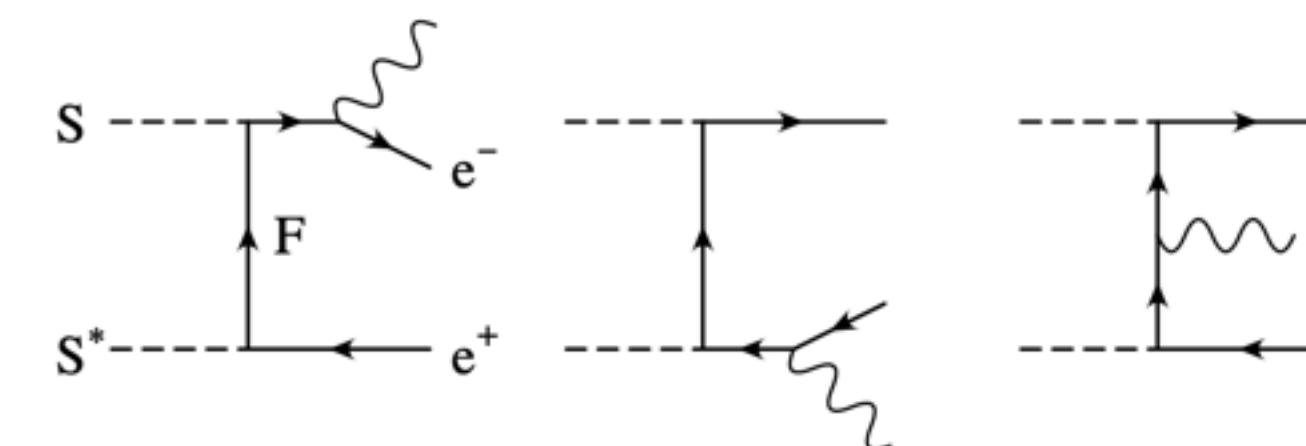
+ CMB study in the context of the 511 keV line in 1301.0819



Beacom, Bell & Bertone (0409403)  
Using e+e- ann into muons

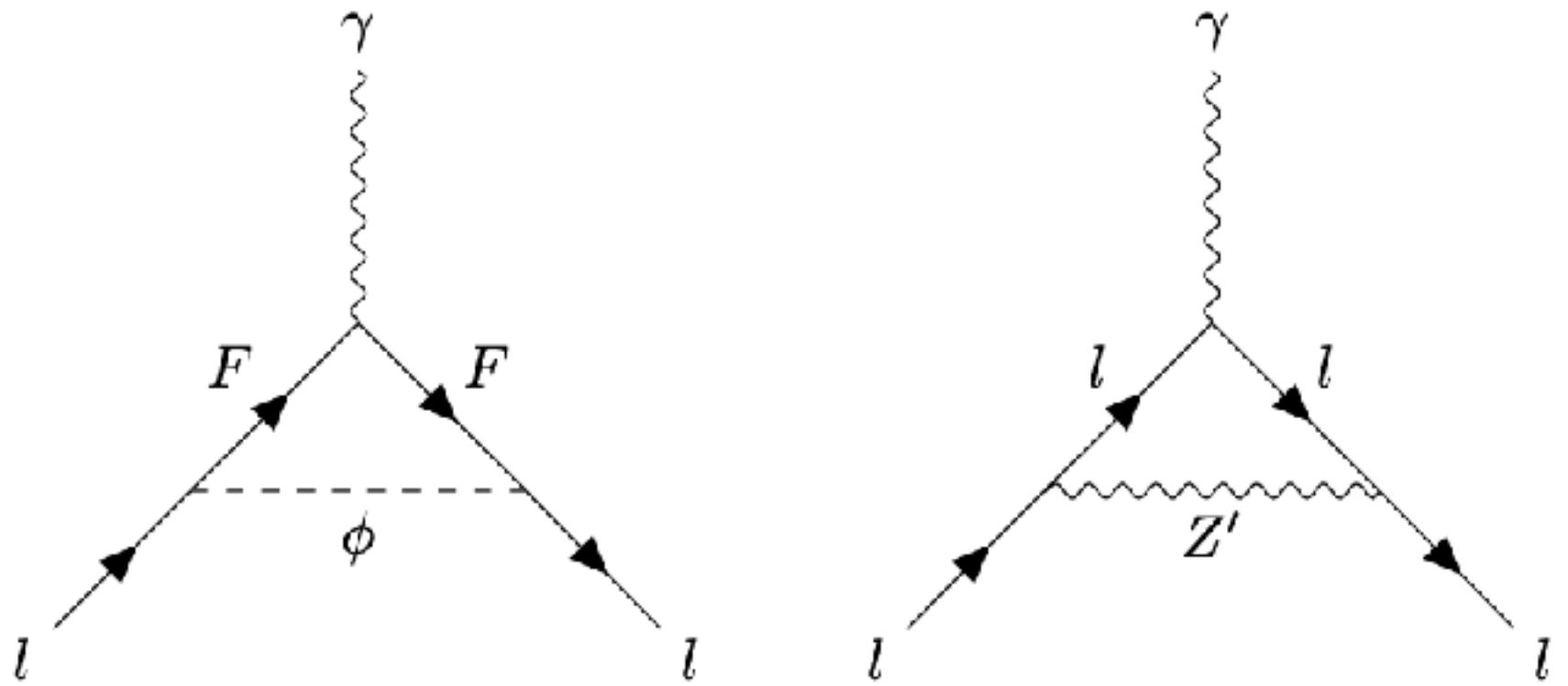
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{Br}}}{dE} = \sigma_{\text{tot}} \times \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{1}{E} \left[ \ln \left( \frac{s'}{m_e^2} \right) - 1 \right] \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{s'}{s} \right)^2 \right], \quad \text{mdm} < 20 \text{ MeV}$$

Boehm&Uwer (0606058)



$$\frac{d\sigma_\gamma}{dx_\gamma} \approx \sigma_0 \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{1}{x_\gamma} \left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{s'^2}{s^2} \right) \ln \left( \frac{s'}{m_e^2} \right) - 2 \frac{s'}{s} \right\}, \quad \text{mdm} < 30 \text{ MeV}$$

# g-2 constraints of light dark matter



hep-ph/0305261 :  
electron g-2 sets more severe constraints on this model  
hep-ph/0405240 hep-ph/0408213 arXiv:0708.2768

hep-ph/0408213

More evidence in favour of Light Dark Matter particles?

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In a previous work, it was found that the Light Dark Matter (LDM) scenario could be a possible explanation to the 511 keV emission line detected at the centre of our galaxy. Here, we show that hints of this scenario may also have been discovered in particle physics experiments. This could explain the discrepancy between the measurement of the fine structure constant and the value written in the CODATA. Finally, our results indicate that some of the LDM features could be tested in accelerators. Their discovery might favour N=2 supersymmetry.

	$F_e$	$Z'$
$a_e$	$\frac{c_l c_r m_e}{16\pi^2 m_{F_e}}$	$\frac{z_e^2}{12\pi^2} \frac{m_e^2}{m_{Z'}^2}$

=  $5 \cdot 10^{-12} \sqrt{f} \left( \frac{m_{\text{dm}}}{\text{MeV}} \right)$   $10^{-11} \left( \frac{z_e}{7 \cdot 10^{-5}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{m_{Z'}}{\text{MeV}} \right)^{-2}$

To be compared with  $a_e \sim 10^{-13}$   
DM unlikely to explain the 511 keV line

# Constraints on vector-like fermions

arXiv:2010.02954

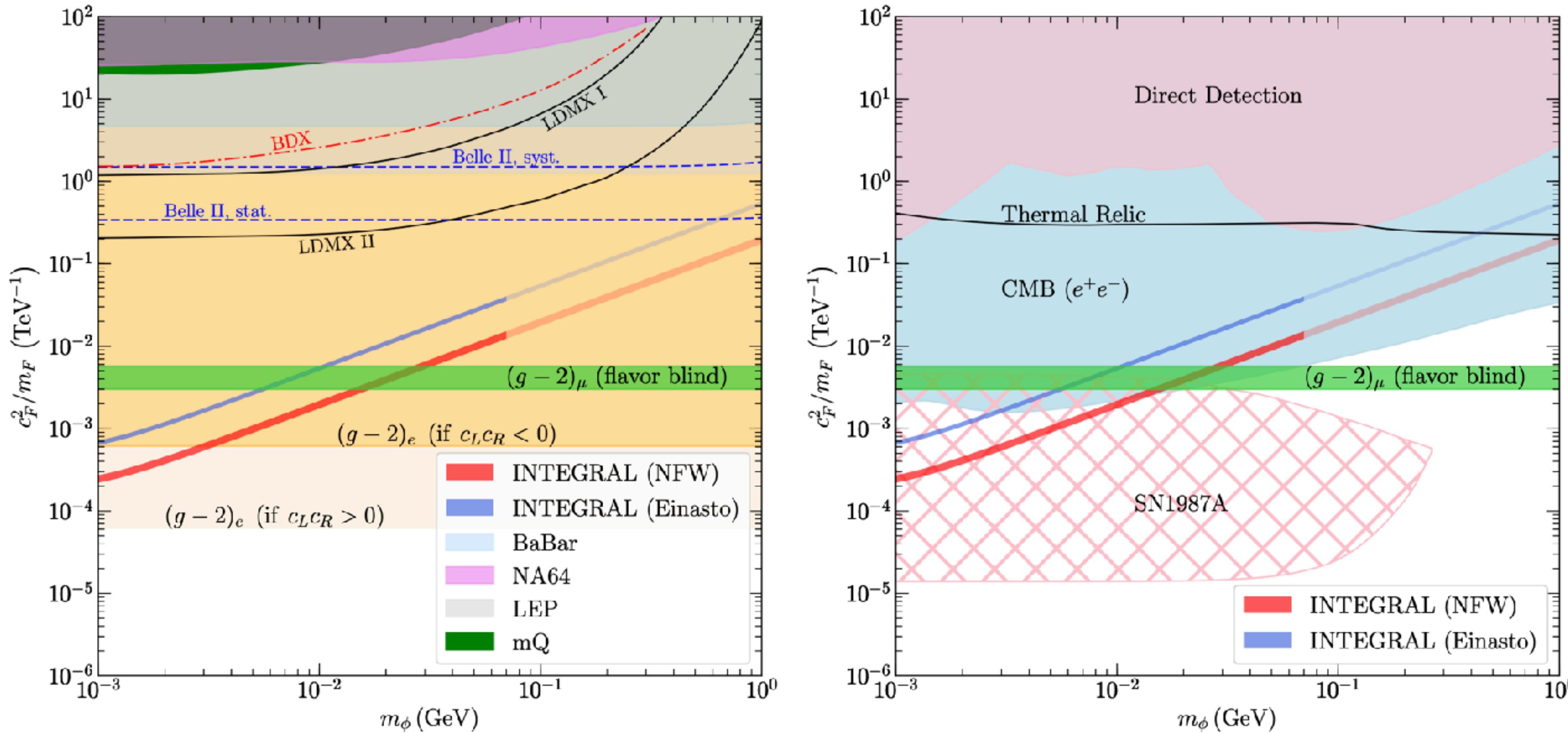


FIG. 6. Bounds on the inverse of effective UV-scale  $\Lambda_F^{-1} = c_F^2/m_F$  in the  $F$ -mediated model from laboratory experiments (left panel) and from astrophysical observations including direct detection (right panel). The parameter regions of interest for the INTEGRAL excess are shown as thin blue and red bands; for  $m_\phi \geq 70 \text{ MeV}$  the DM interpretation is disfavored as indicated by a lighter shading. The green horizontal band where  $(g - 2)_\mu$  is explained carries the assumption  $c_F^\mu = c_F^e$ .

# Constraints on dark gauge bosons

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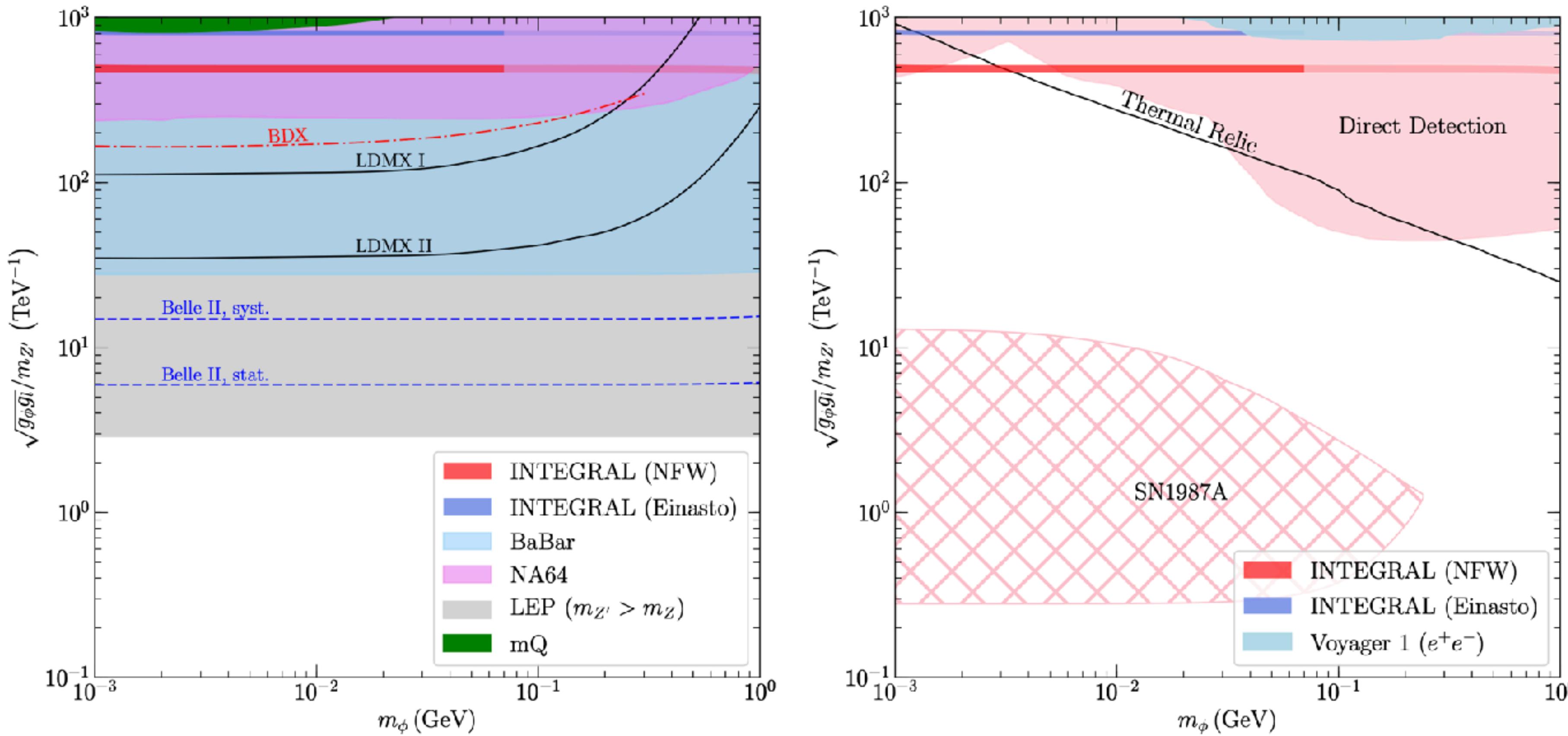
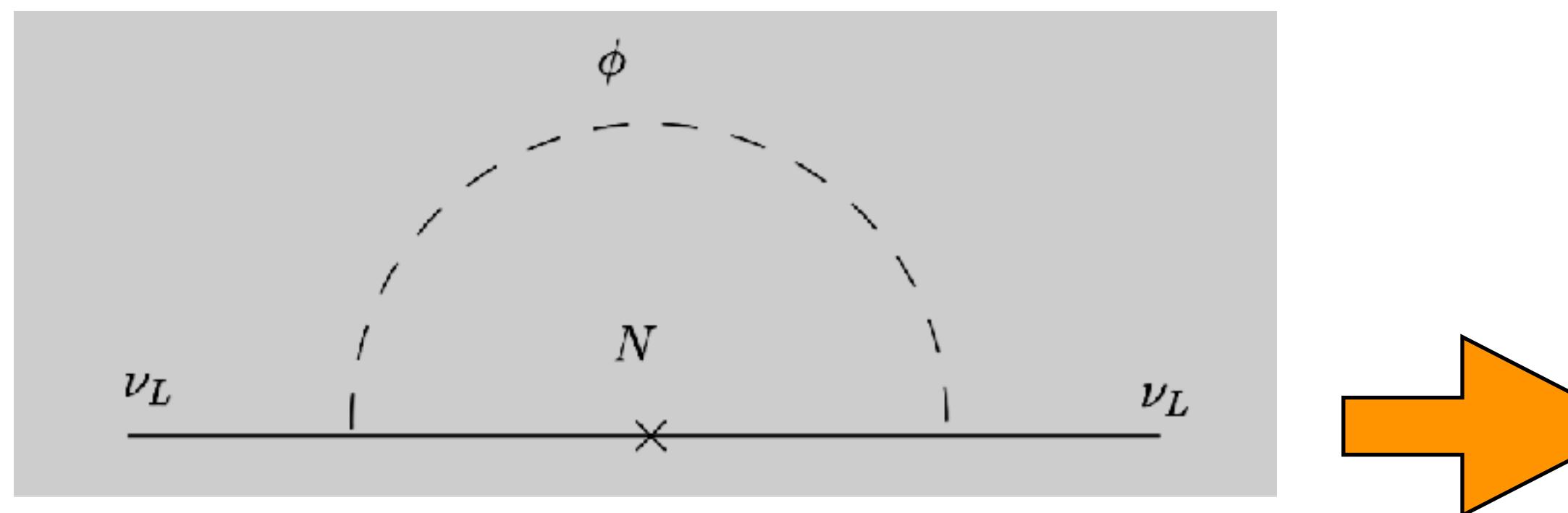
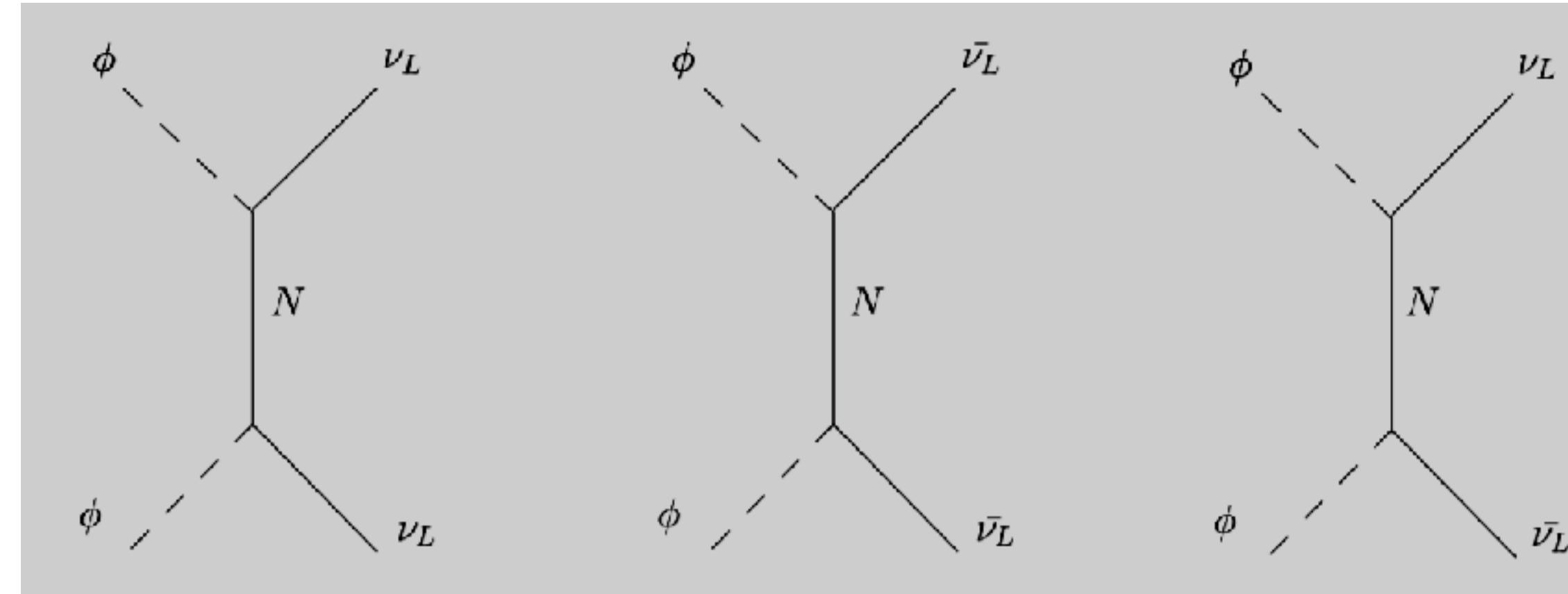


FIG. 7. Bounds on the inverse of effective UV scale  $\Lambda_{Z'}^{-1} = \sqrt{g_\phi g_i}/m_{Z'}$  for the  $Z'$  model from laboratory tests (left panel) and from cosmological and astrophysical probes including direct detection (right panel). The parameter regions of interest for the INTEGRAL excess are shown as thin blue and red bands; for  $m_\phi \geq 70 \text{ MeV}$  the DM interpretation is disfavored as indicated by a lighter shading. LEP bound only applies for  $m_{Z'}$  above the EW scale, below which (18) applies instead. We do not show a band for  $(g - 2)_\mu$ , which would need an assumption on  $g_\phi/g_i$ , since it is already excluded elsewhere (see main text and Fig. 2).

# Astrophysical implications of light dark matter

hep-ph/0612228

## Annihilations into neutrinos



$$m_{\nu_L} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{\langle \sigma v_r \rangle}{128 \pi^3}} m_N^2 (1 + m_\phi^2/m_N^2) \ln \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_N^2} \right).$$

**Basic model can give rise to neutrino masses in the eV range but UV completion is hard!**

See e.g. work by Yasaman Farzan (e.g. [1009.0829](#) and [1208.2732](#)) + Arhrib et al ([1512.08796](#))

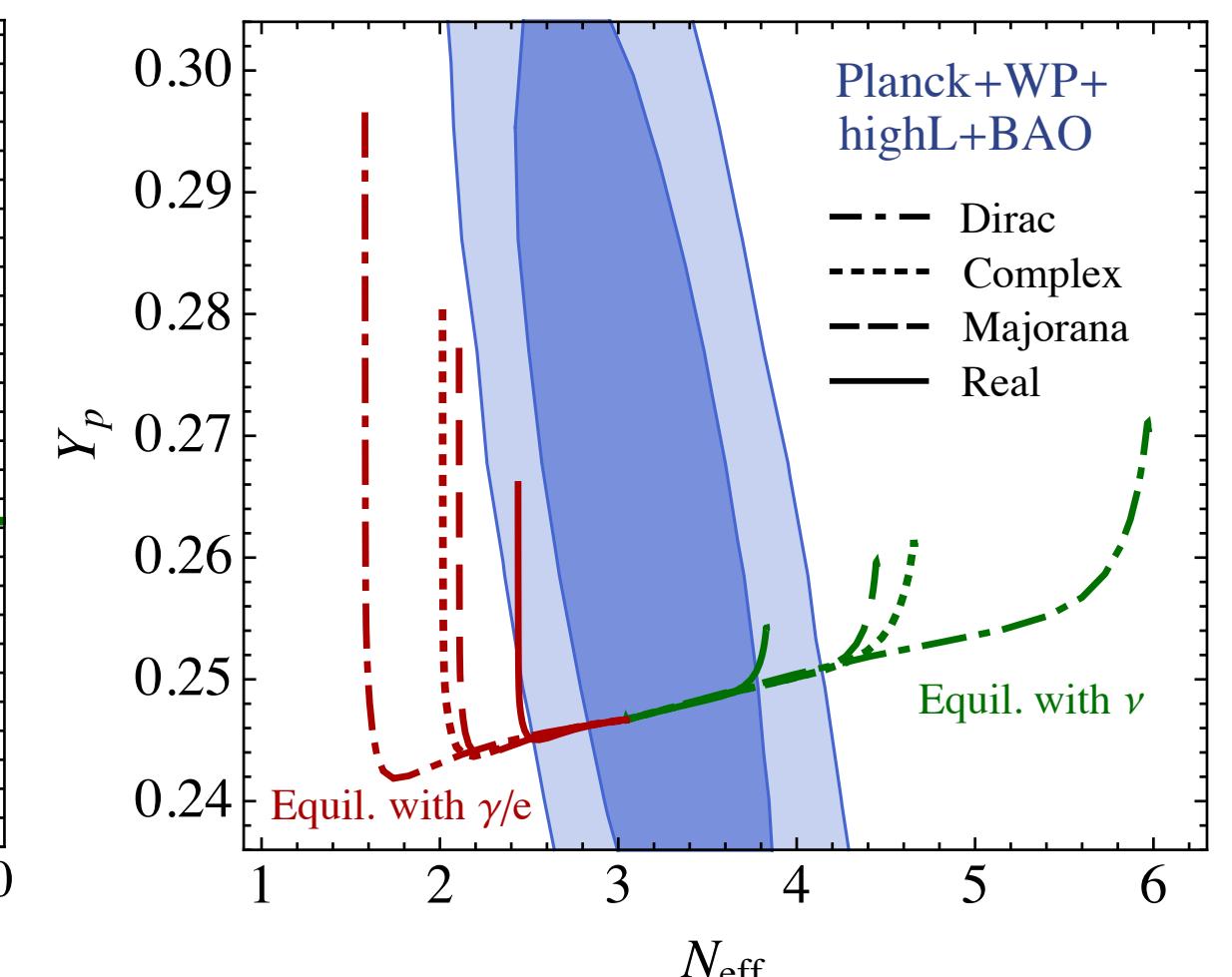
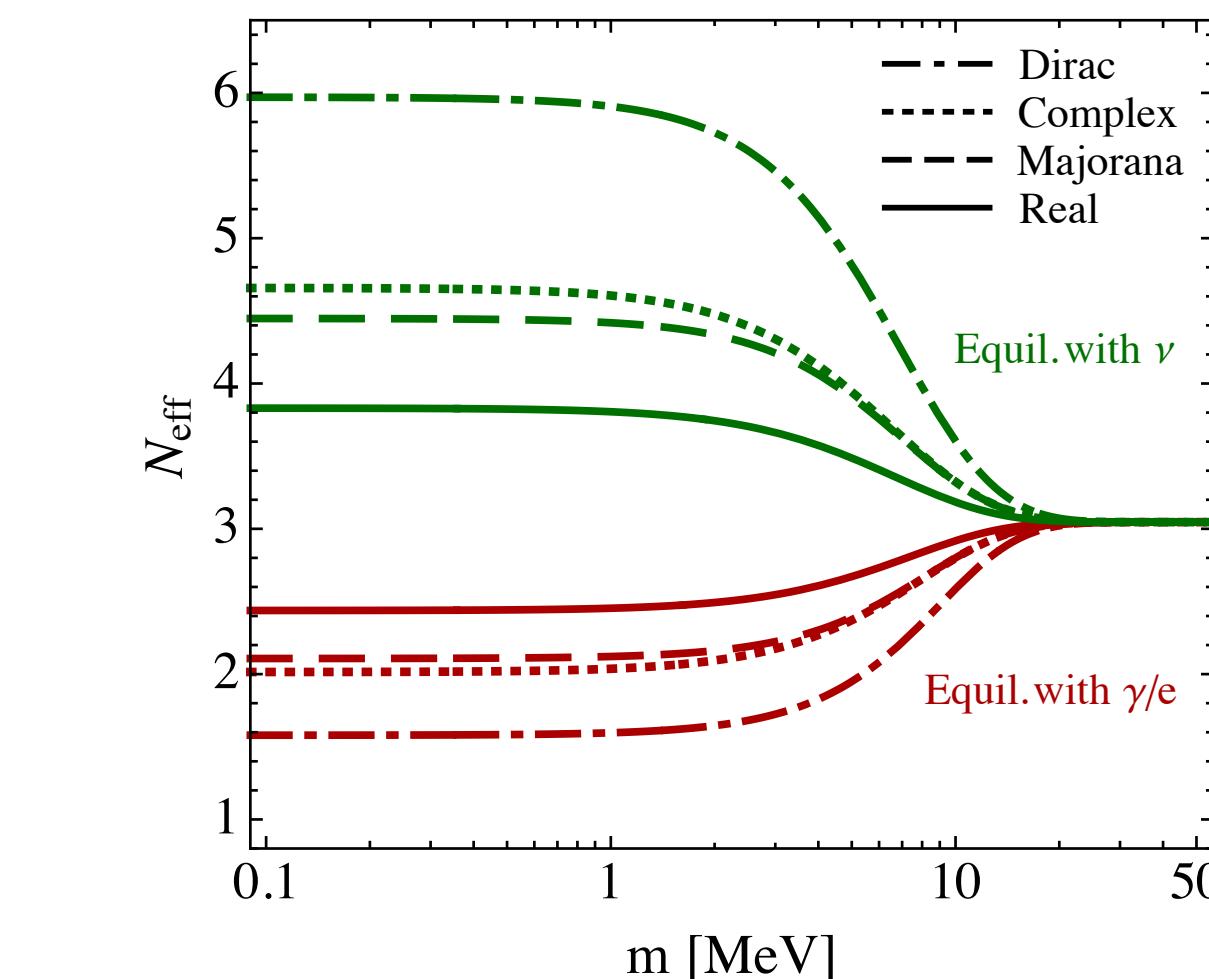
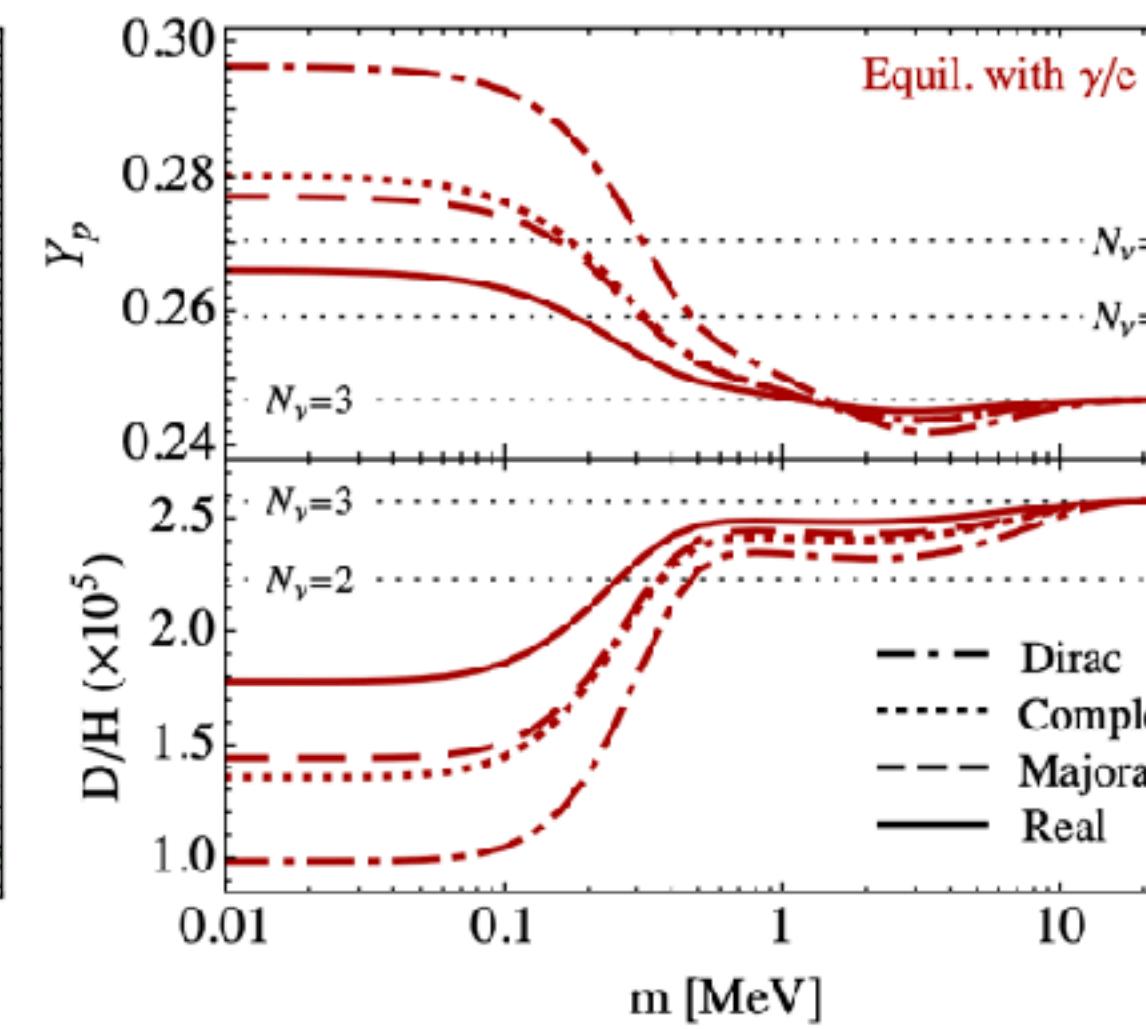
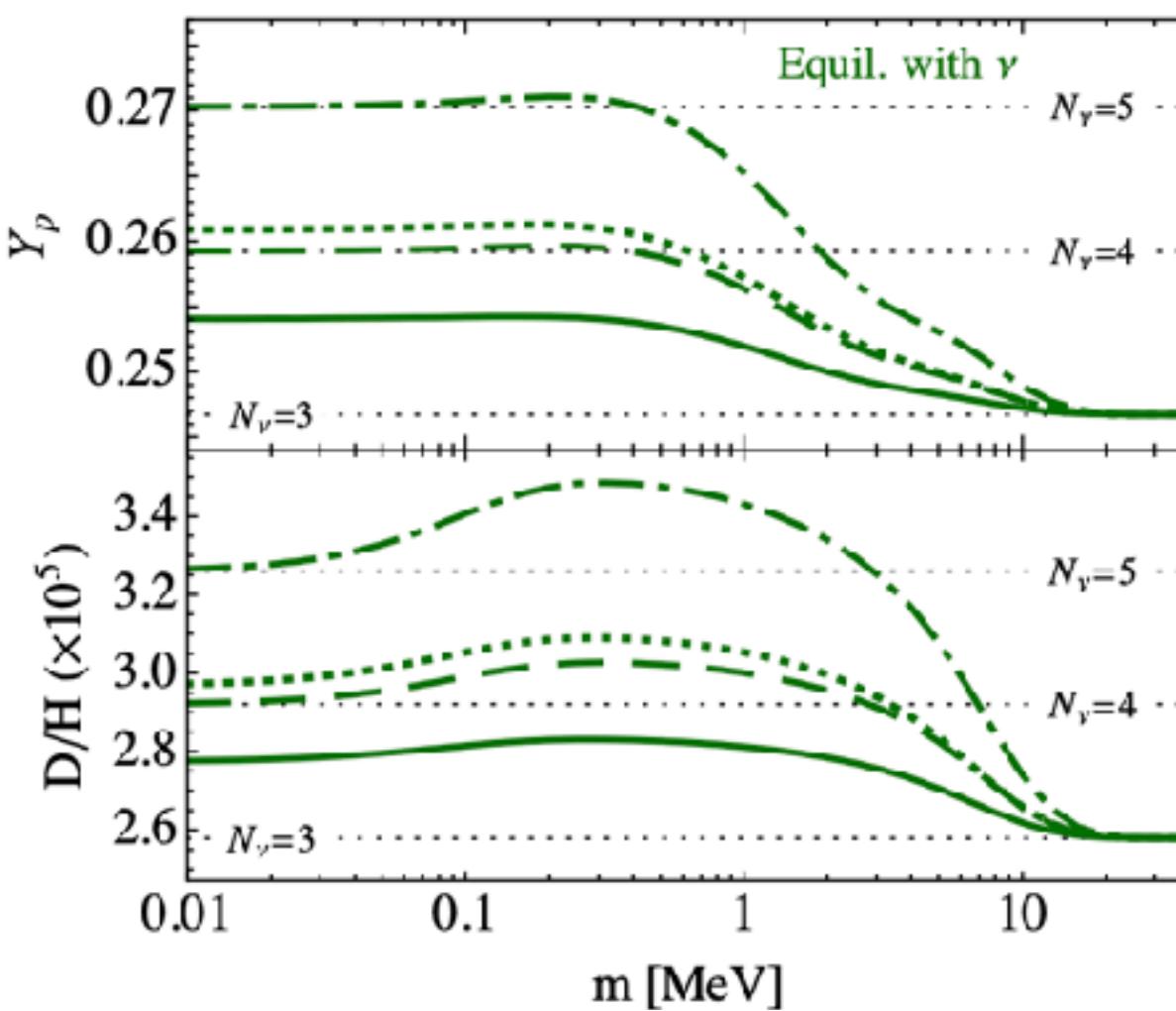
# Cosmological implications of light dark matter

[1207.0497](#) [1303.6270](#)

Raffelt & Serpico [astro-ph/0403417](#)

$M < 10 \text{ MeV}$  but [4,10] MeV exciting for 511 keV

Helium/D abundance



$M < 10-20 \text{ MeV}$

# Overly simplified summary of (Astro) constraints

Indirect detection:

$\text{mdm} < 30 \text{ MeV}$  (for the 511 keV line)  
P-wave annihilations or s-wave suppressed  
But see talk by Francesca!

CMB / Primordial abundance:

$\text{mdm} < 10 \text{ MeV}$

Also

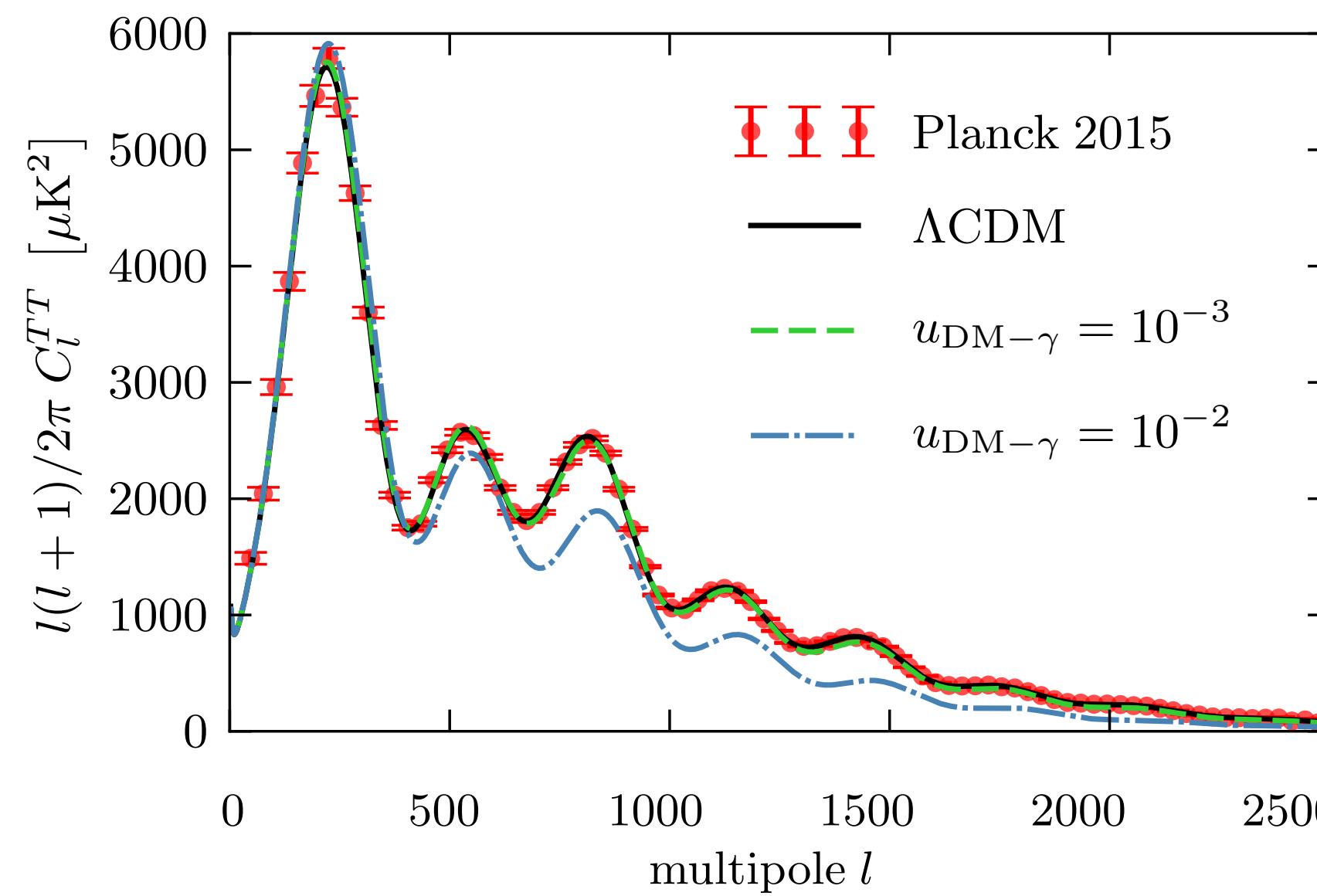
Electron g-2 (muon less stringent)

$\text{mdm} < 30 \text{ MeV}$

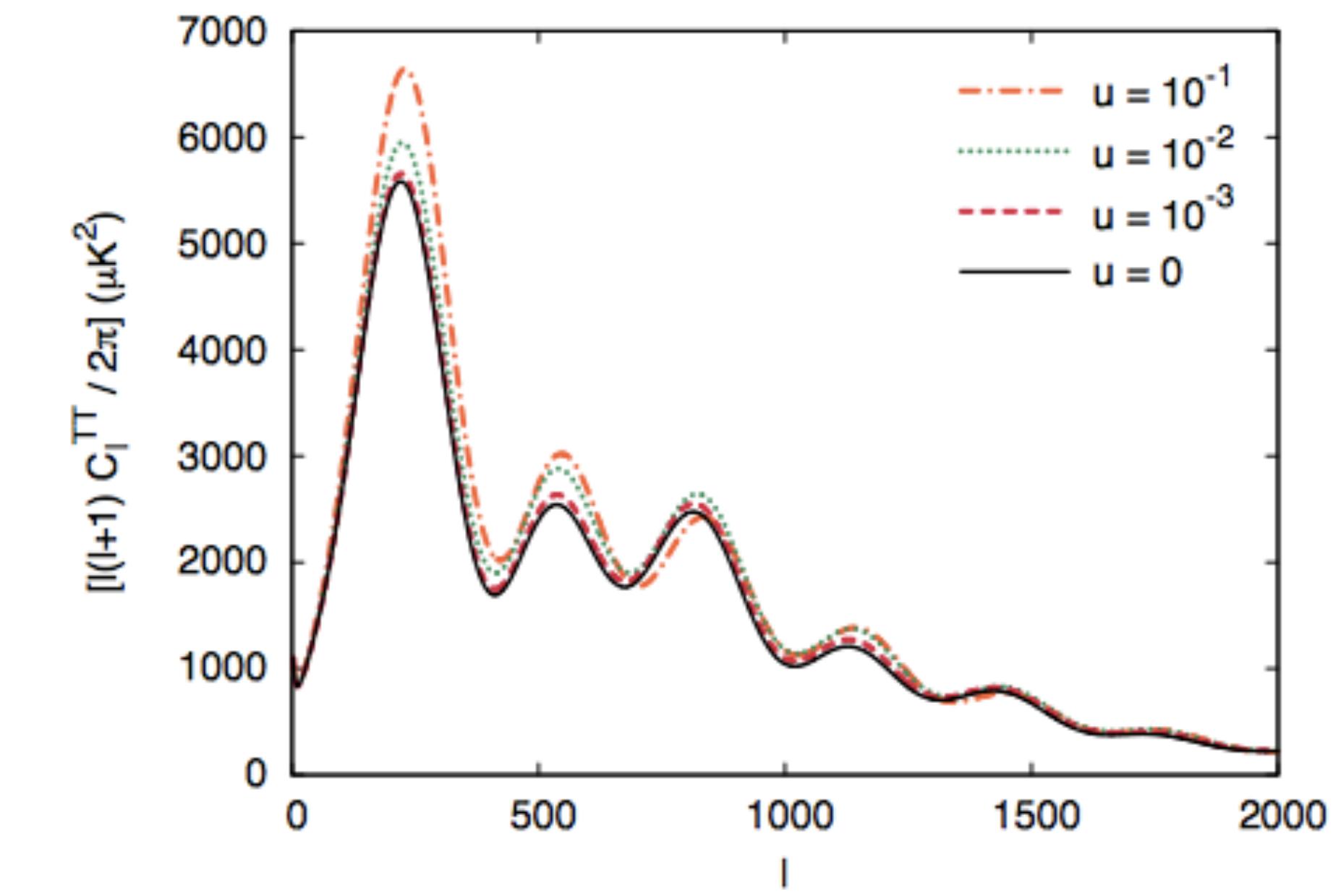
and in fact likely kills many “Astro” models

# Cosmological implications of light dark matter

DM-photon interactions



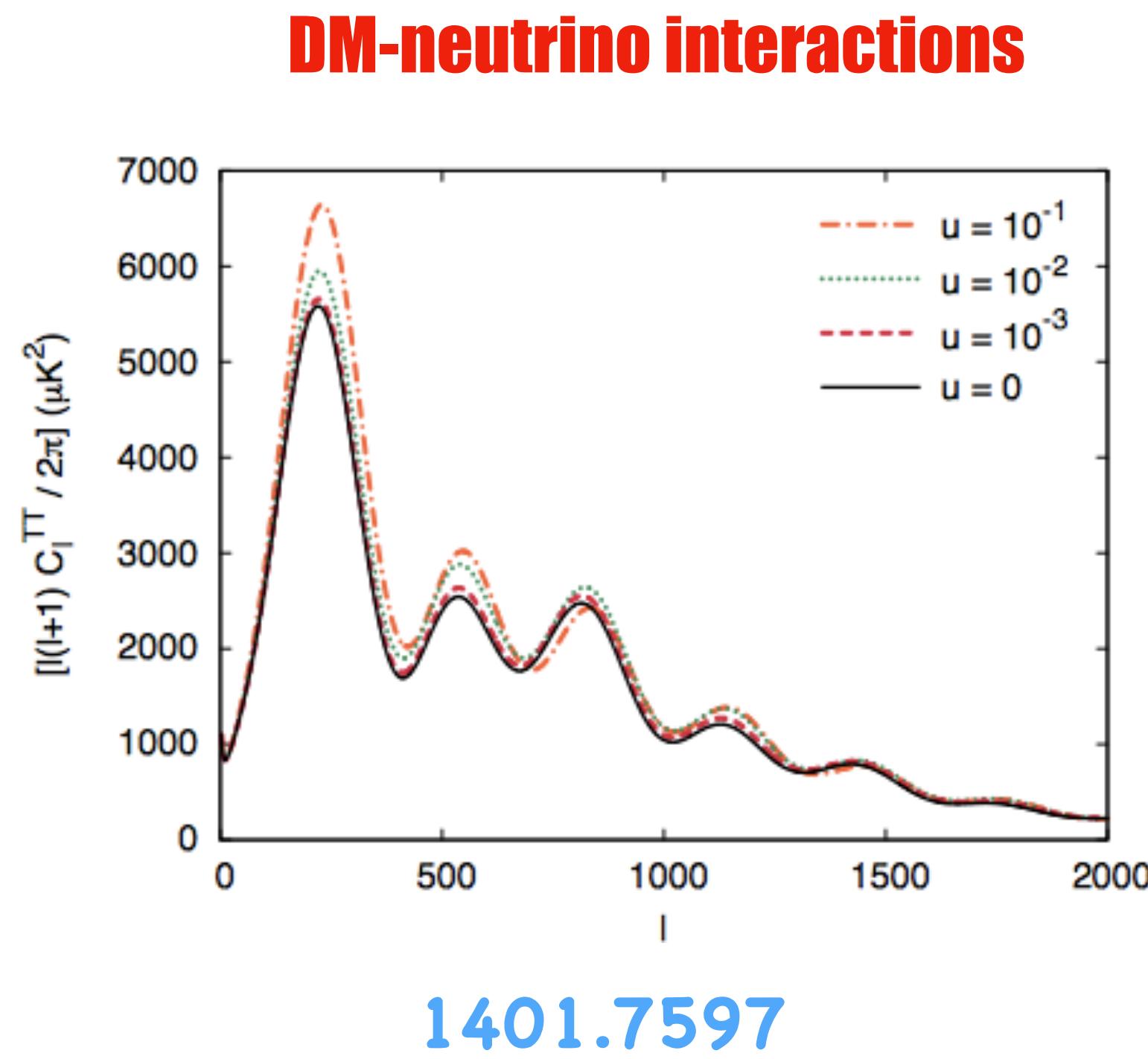
DM-neutrino interactions



DM-b interactions  
SIDM

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# Impact on cosmological parameters



$\Lambda$ CDM + $u$ Parameter	+ $N_{\text{eff}}$	+ $N_{\text{eff}} + \Sigma m_\nu$
	Planck TT + lowTEB + R16	Planck TT + lowTEB + R16
$\Omega_b h^2$	$0.02278^{+0.00026}_{-0.00025}$	$0.02278 \pm 0.00027$
$\Omega_c h^2$	$0.1238^{+0.0037}_{-0.0038}$	$0.1240^{+0.0035}_{-0.0045}$
$\tau$	$0.099^{+0.019}_{-0.021}$	$0.100^{+0.023}_{-0.021}$
$n_s$	$0.9898^{+0.0088}_{-0.0094}$	$0.990^{+0.009}_{-0.010}$
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$	$3.143^{+0.041}_{-0.039}$	$3.145^{+0.054}_{-0.037}$
$H_0 [\text{Km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}]$	$72.1^{+1.5}_{-1.7}$	$71.9^{+1.6}_{-1.8}$
$\sigma_8$	$0.850^{+0.024}_{-0.018}$	$0.846^{+0.030}_{-0.025}$
$u$	$< -4.0$	$< -4.0$
$N_{\text{eff}}$	$3.54 \pm 0.20$	$3.56^{+0.19}_{-0.26}$
$\Sigma m_\nu [eV]$	$0.06$	$< 0.87$

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# Dark matter-neutrino interactions

With neutrino mass hierarchy

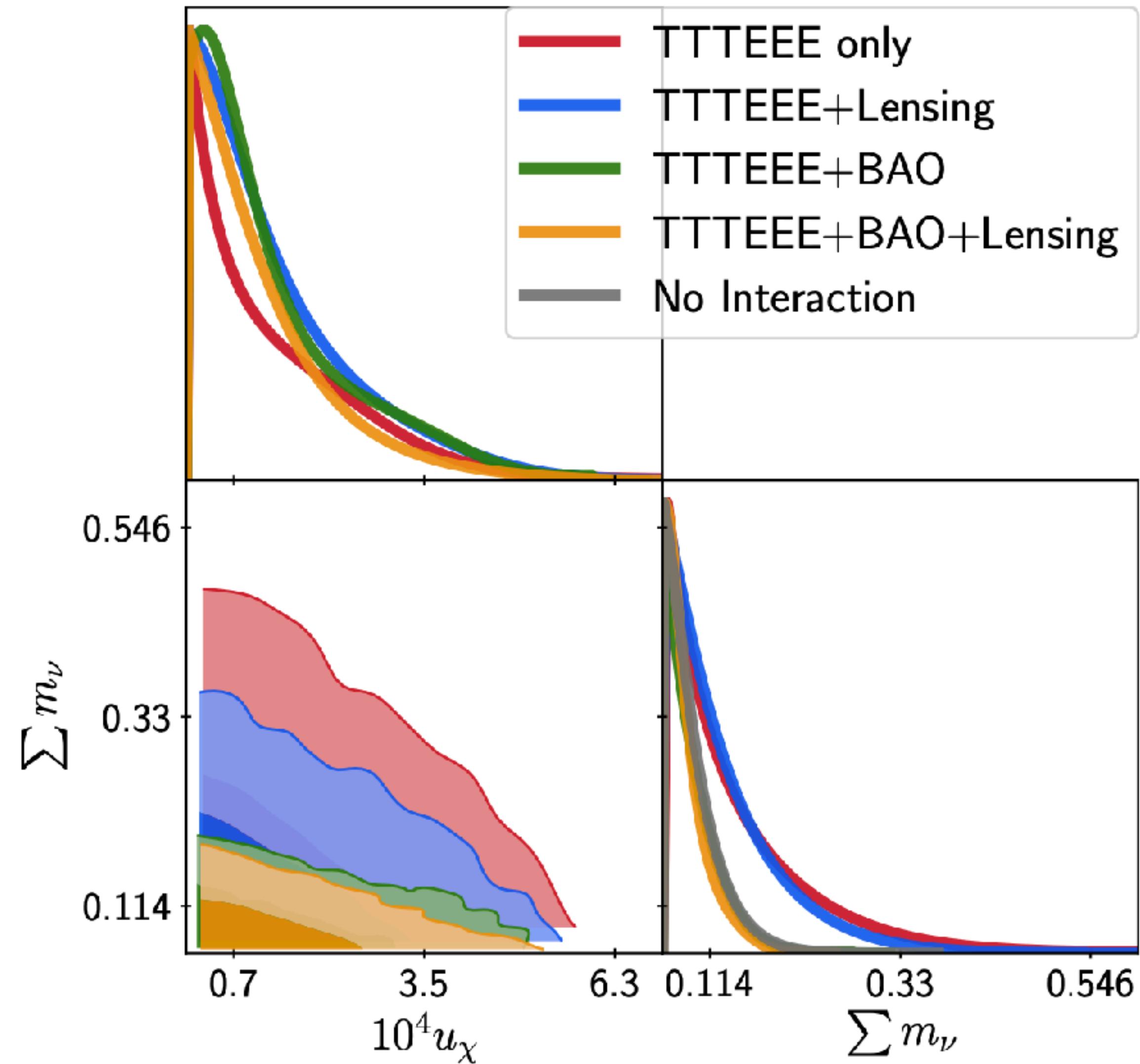
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	Planck TTEEE	Planck + Lensing	Planck + BAO	Planck + Lensing + BAO
$100\omega_b$	$2.24^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	$2.24^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$2.25^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$2.24^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$
$\omega_{DM}$	$0.120^{+0.003}_{-0.003}$	$0.120^{+0.004}_{-0.001}$	$0.120^{+0.002}_{-0.003}$	$0.119^{+0.002}_{-0.002}$
$100\theta_s$	$1.0420^{+0.0009}_{-0.0005}$	$1.0419^{+0.0010}_{-0.0005}$	$1.0419^{+0.0011}_{-0.0004}$	$1.0419^{+0.0010}_{-0.0004}$
$\ln 10^{10} A_s$	$3.05^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	$3.04^{+0.04}_{-0.02}$	$3.03^{+0.05}_{-0.02}$	$3.05^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$
$n_s$	$0.963^{+0.009}_{-0.012}$	$0.965^{+0.006}_{-0.014}$	$0.966^{+0.008}_{-0.009}$	$0.967^{+0.007}_{-0.010}$
$\tau_{reio}$	$0.055^{+0.016}_{-0.016}$	$0.0528^{+0.019}_{-0.012}$	$0.048^{+0.026}_{-0.006}$	$0.057^{+0.017}_{-0.014}$
$u_\chi$	$3.97 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$3.83 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$3.83 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$3.34 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$\sum m_\nu$ [eV]	0.33	0.26	0.15	0.14
$H_0$ [km/s/Mpc]	$67.2^{+1.2}_{-3.3}$	$67.3^{+0.9}_{-2.9}$	$67.5^{+1.2}_{-0.9}$	$67.6^{+1.0}_{-1.0}$
$\sigma_8$	$0.80^{+0.01}_{-0.09}$	$0.79^{+0.03}_{-0.06}$	$0.80^{+0.02}_{-0.07}$	$0.81^{+0.01}_{-0.06}$

**Table 3.** Best fit values with 95% confidence limits for the case of varying neutrino mass, except for  $u_\chi$  and  $\sum m_\nu$ , where 95% CL upper limits are shown.

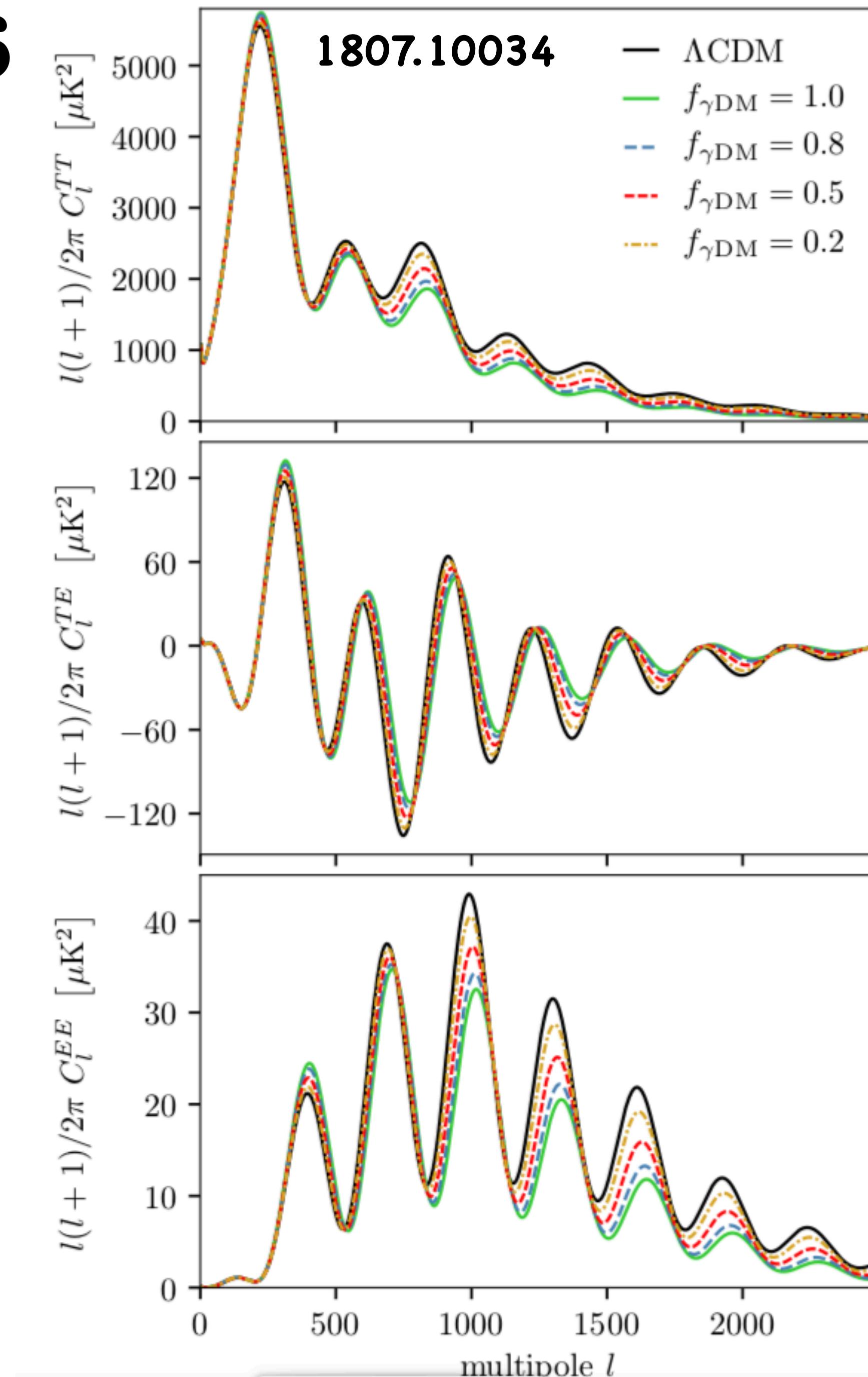
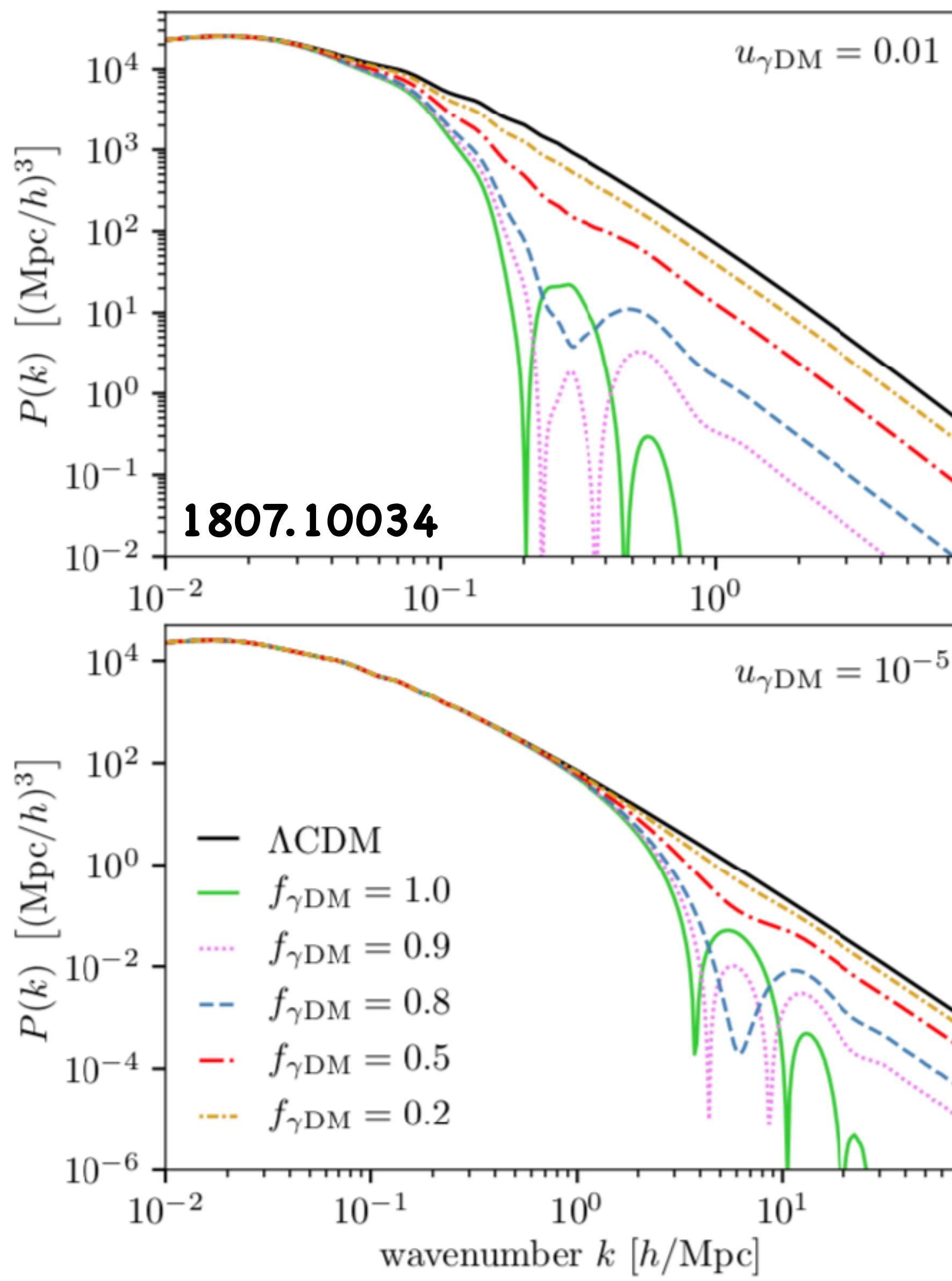
$$\frac{\sigma_0}{\sigma_{Th}} \left( \frac{m_\chi}{100 \text{GeV}} \right)^{-1} \leq 3.34 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$\sigma < 2 \cdot 10^{-33} \left( \frac{m_{DM}}{MeV} \right) \text{ cm}^2$$



**Figure 3.** One-dimensional posterior probability distributions for  $u_\chi$  and  $\sum m_\nu$  for different combination of datasets and two-dimensional 68% and 95% CL allowed regions in the  $(u_\chi, \sum m_\nu)$  plane. The 'Non-Interacting' posterior uses all the three datasets, that is, Planck CMB TTTEE+ Planck CMB Lensing + BAO.

# Mixed Scenarios

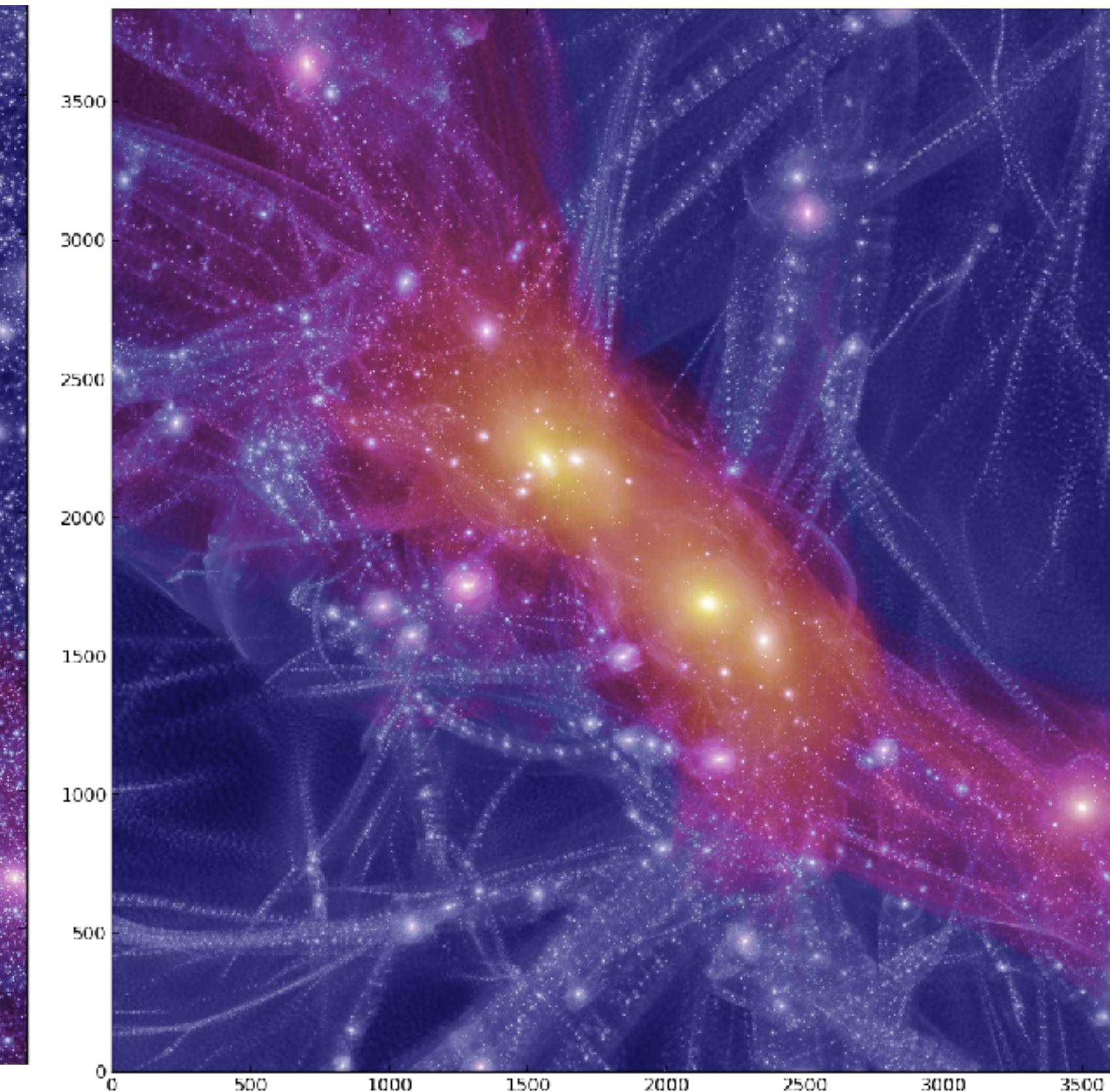


# Dark Matter interactions & large scales

CDM



IDM

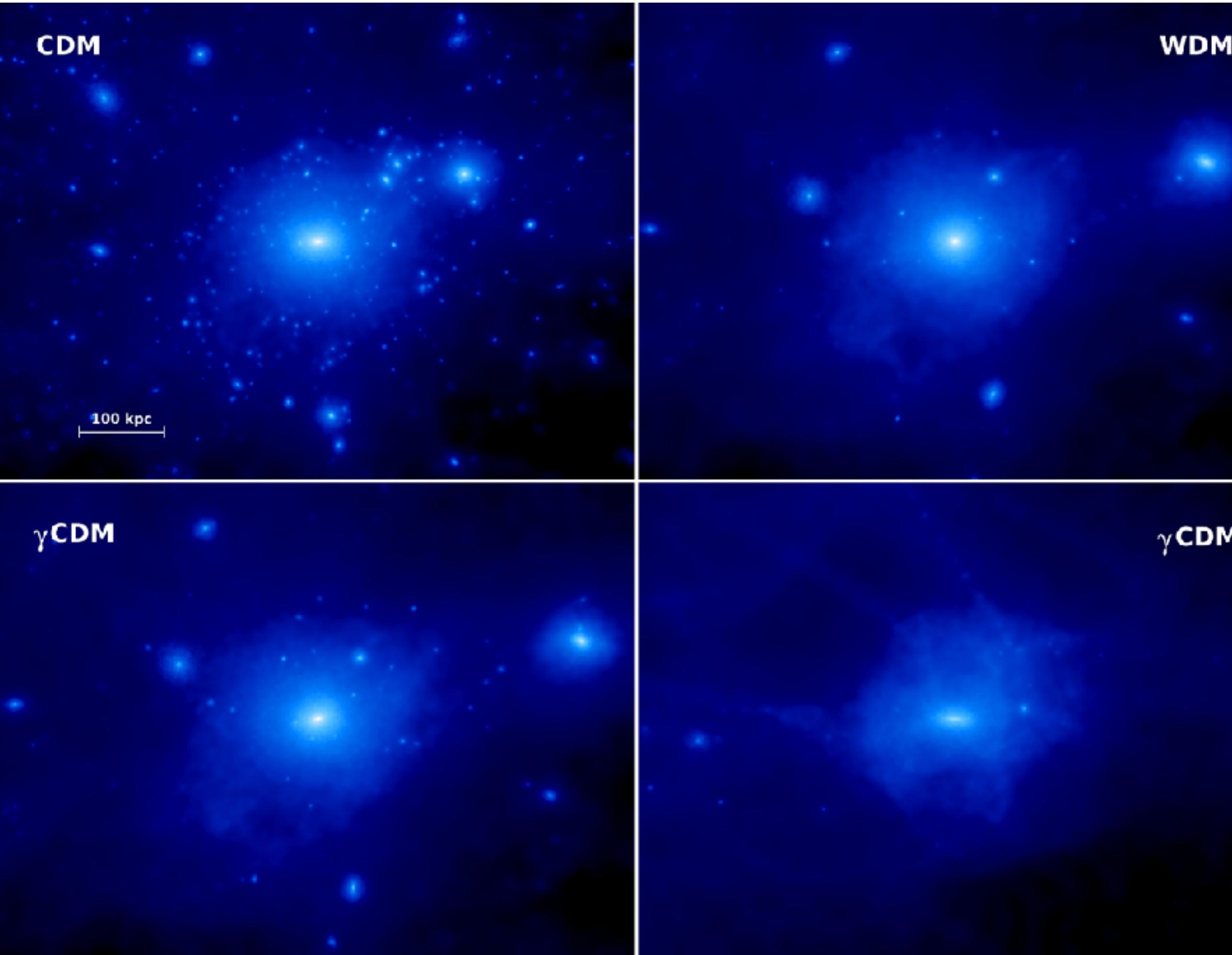


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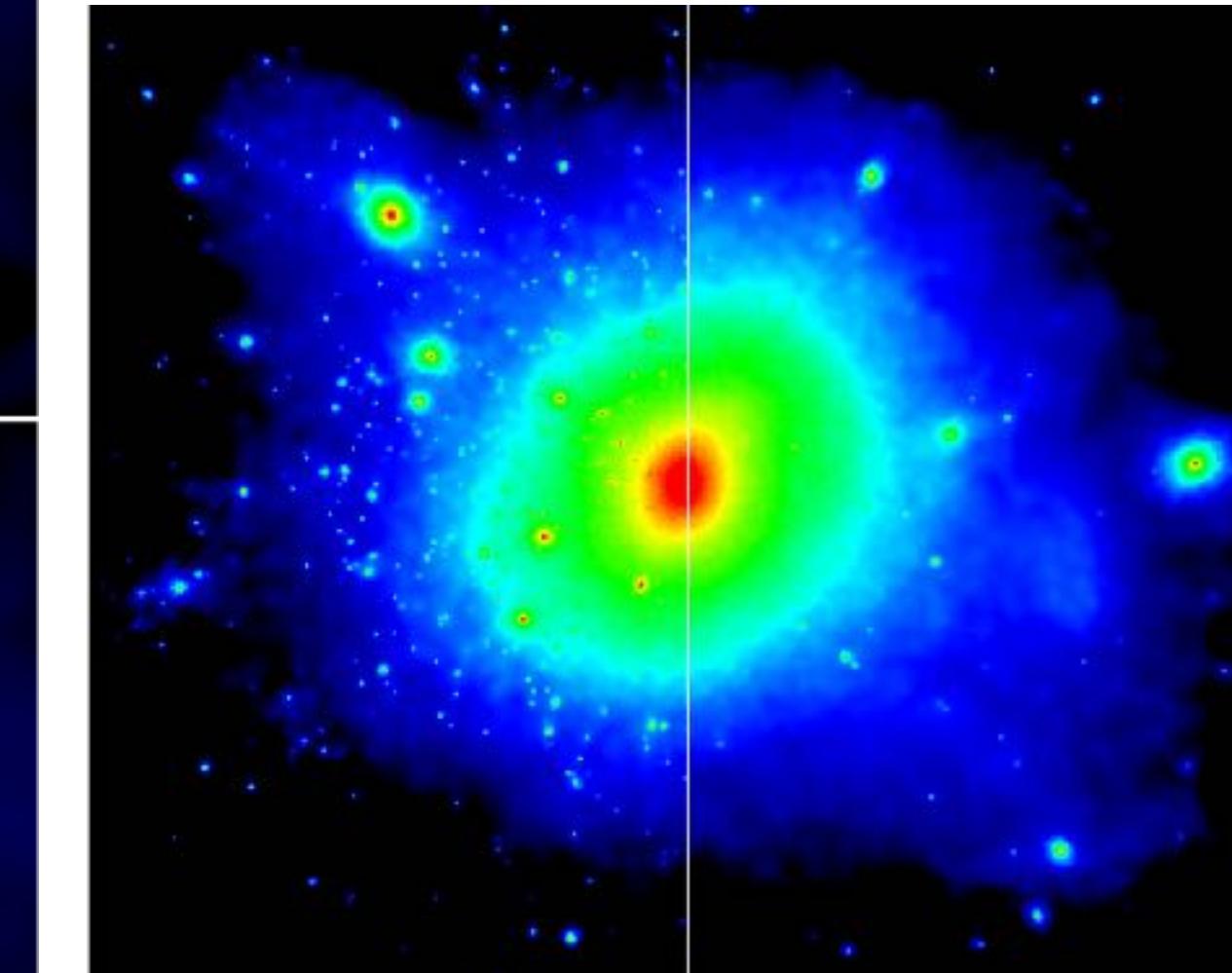
LSST, EUCLID will be essential!

# The Milky Way in IDM scenarios

Less satellites



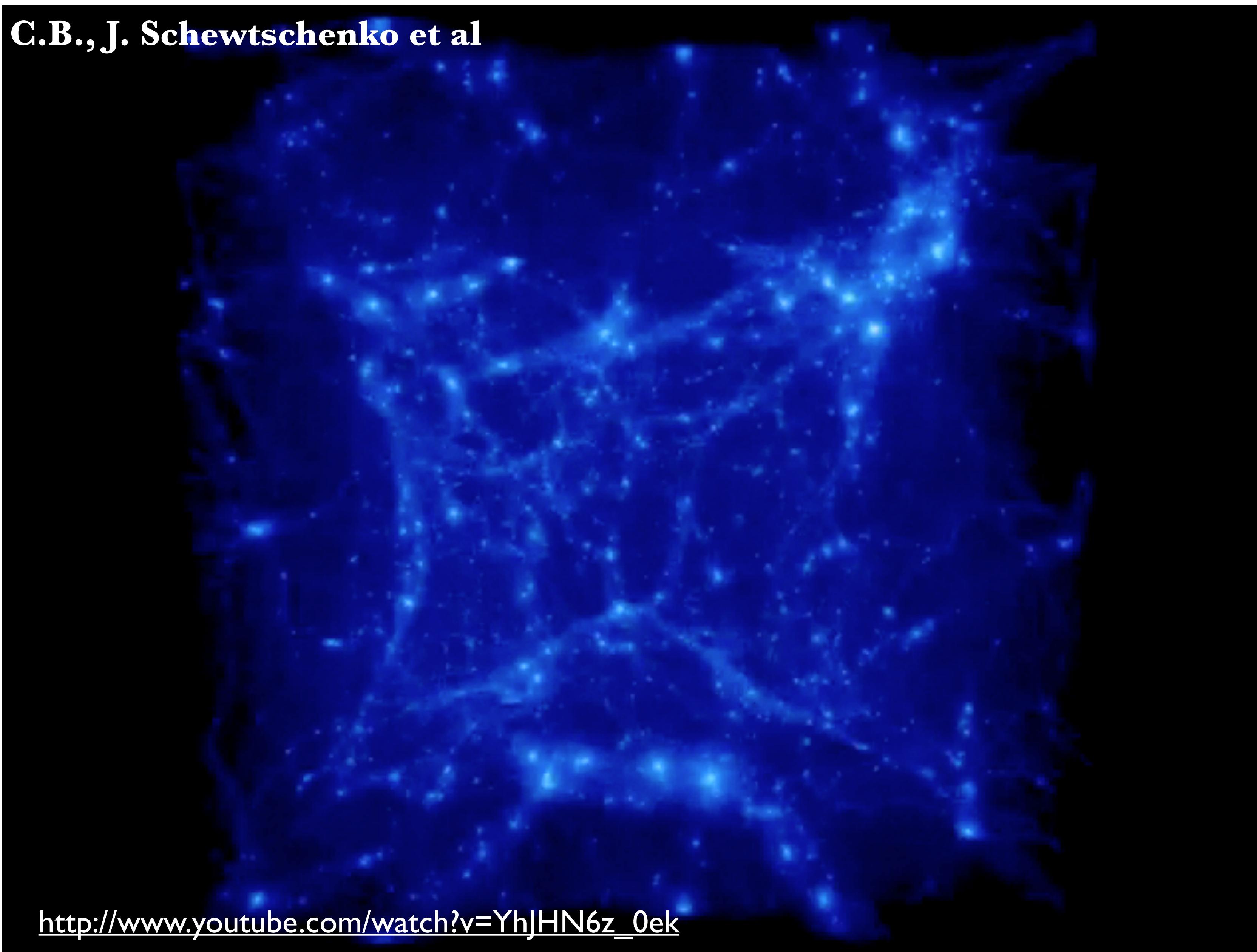
$$u_i = \frac{\sigma_{DM-i}}{\sigma_T} \left( \frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{100 \text{GeV}} \right)^{-1}$$



$$\sigma v \lesssim 10^{-36} \text{ cm}^2 \left( \frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{\text{MeV}} \right)$$

# The Milky Way for interacting DM

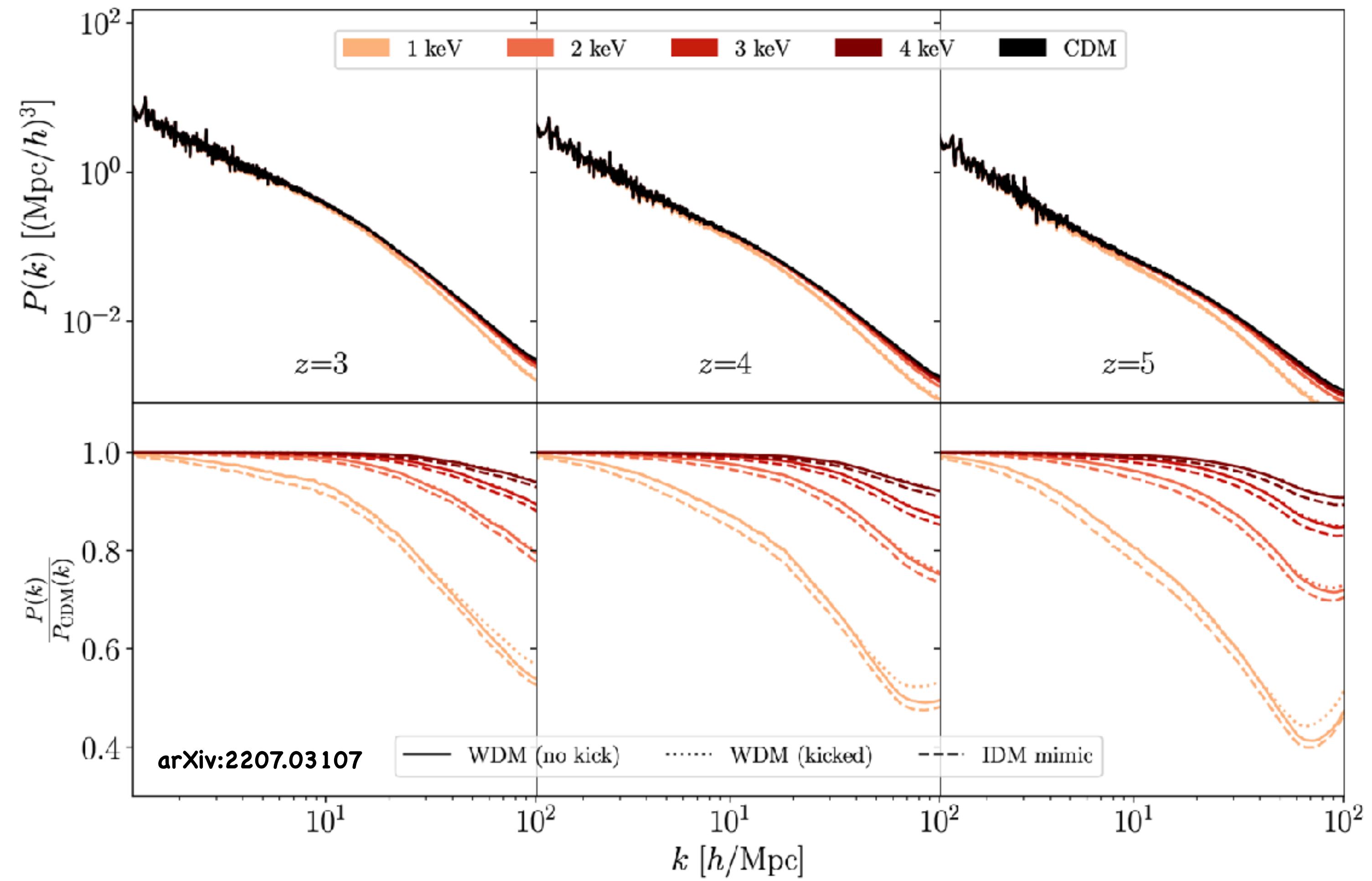
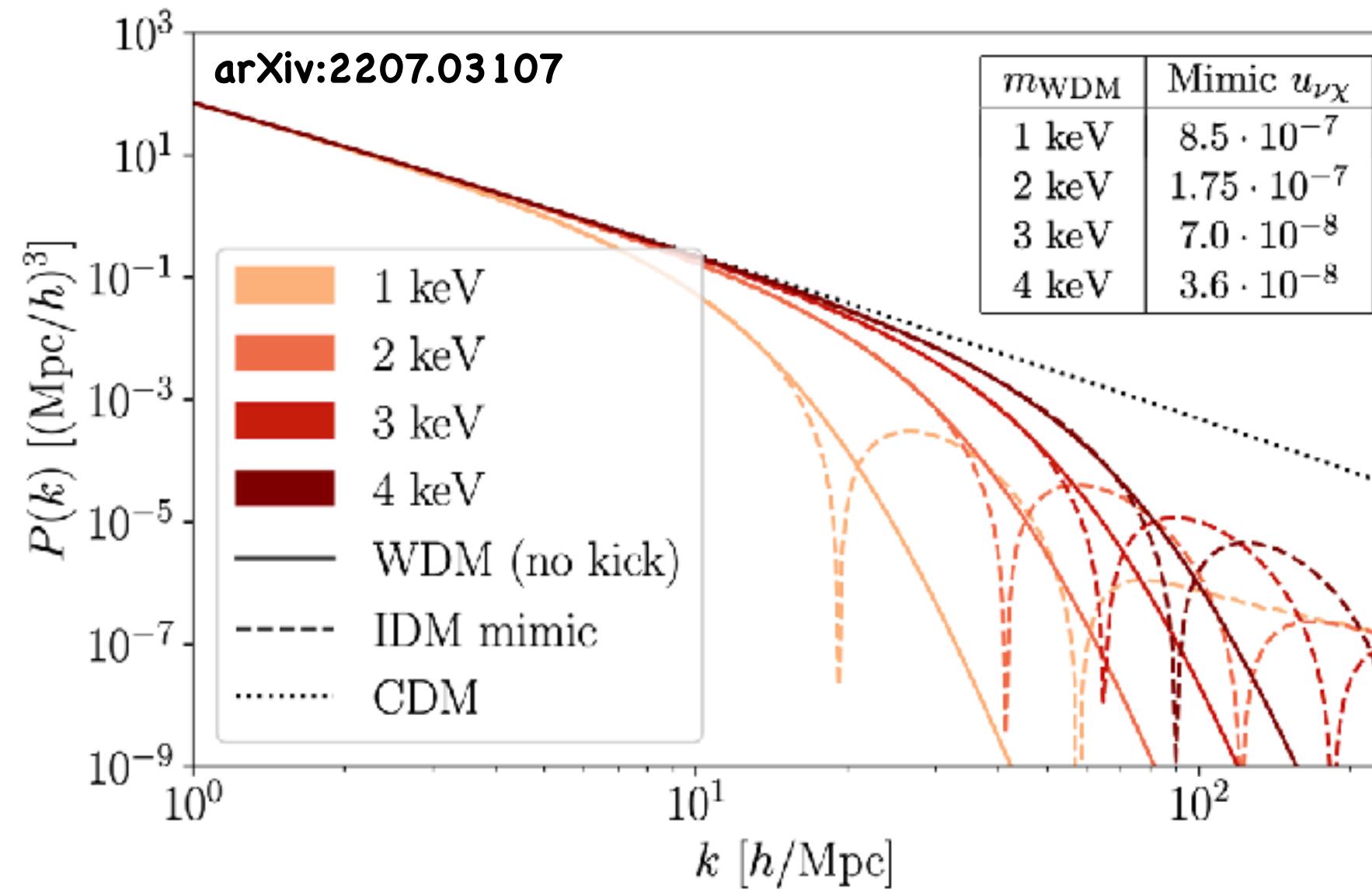
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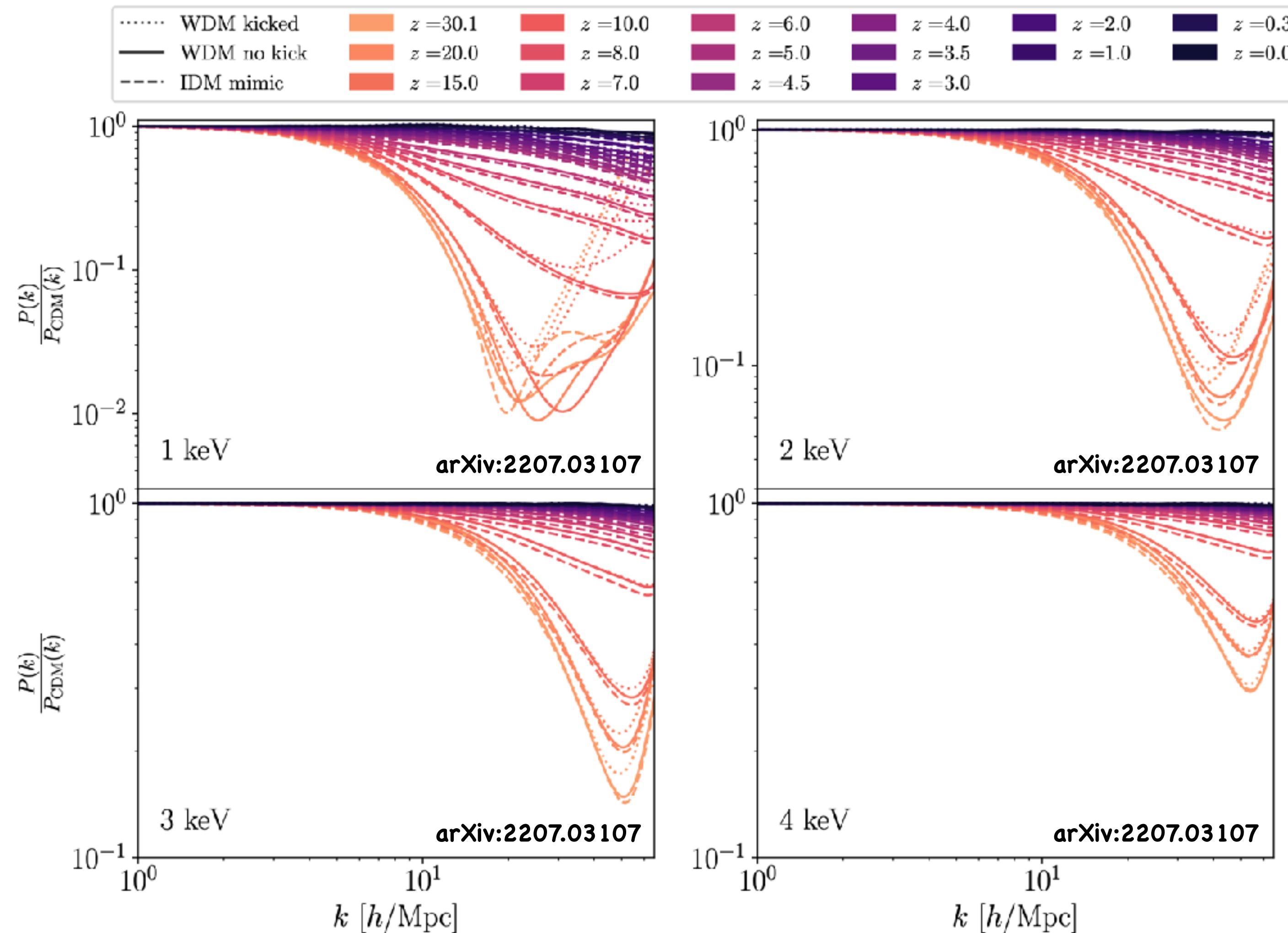
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## Gravitational-wave event rates as a new probe for dark matter microphysics

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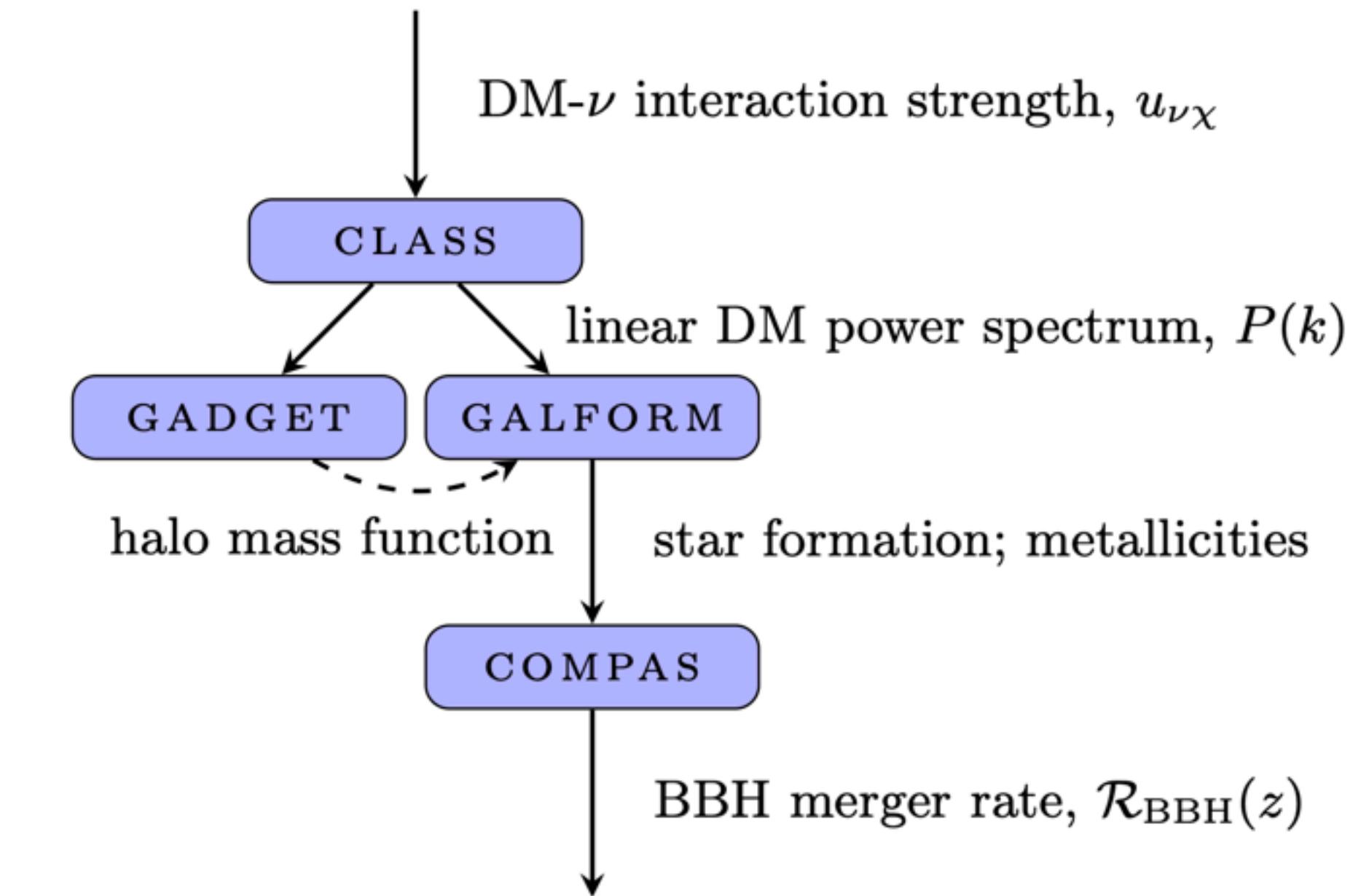
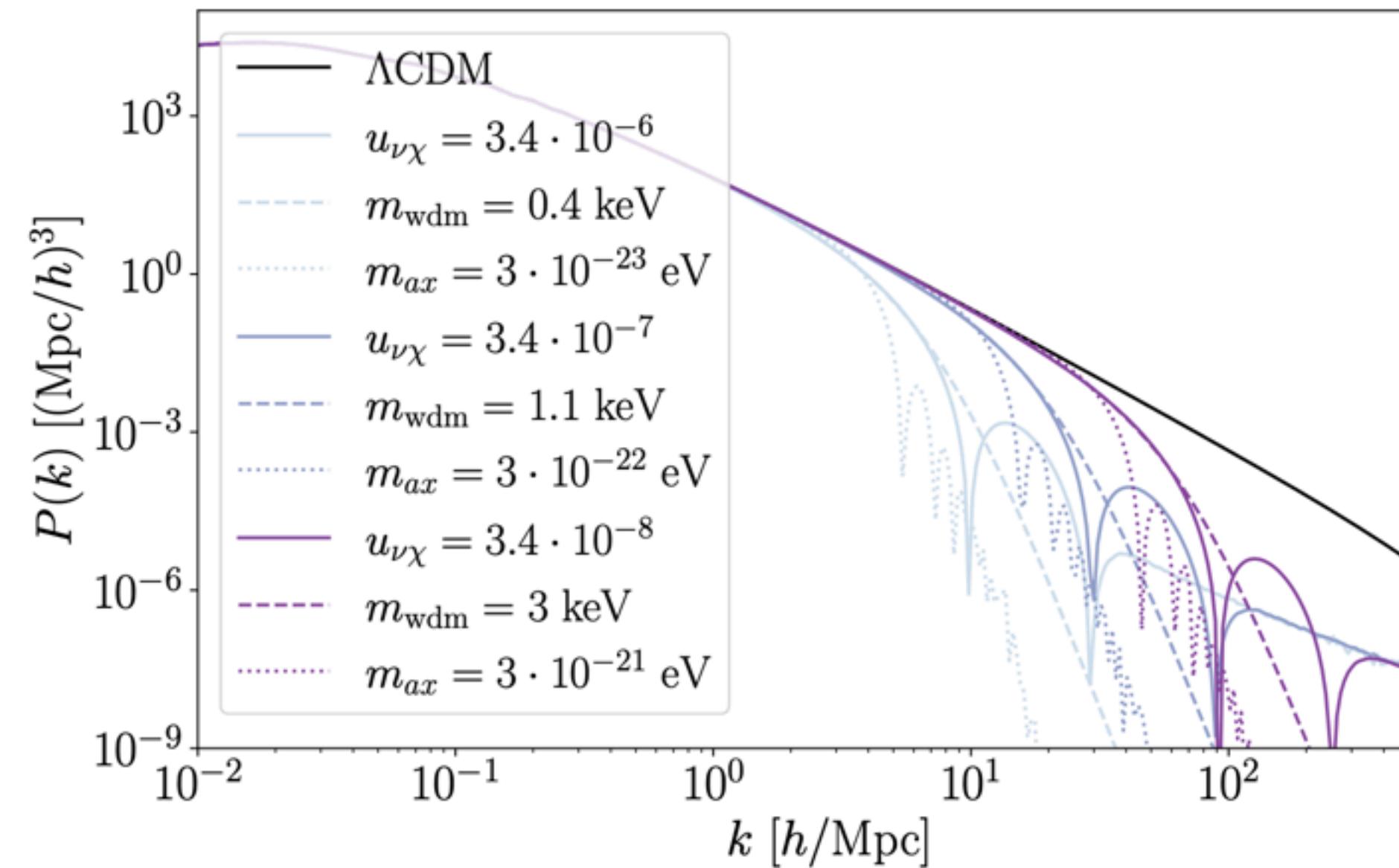
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We show that gravitational waves have the potential to unravel the microphysical properties of dark matter due to the dependence of the binary black hole merger rate on cosmic structure formation, which is itself highly dependent on the dark matter scenario. In particular, we demonstrate that suppression of small-scale structure—such as that caused by interacting, warm, or fuzzy dark matter—leads to a significant reduction in the rate of binary black hole mergers at redshifts  $z \gtrsim 5$ . This shows that future gravitational-wave observations will provide a new probe of the  $\Lambda$ CDM cosmological model.

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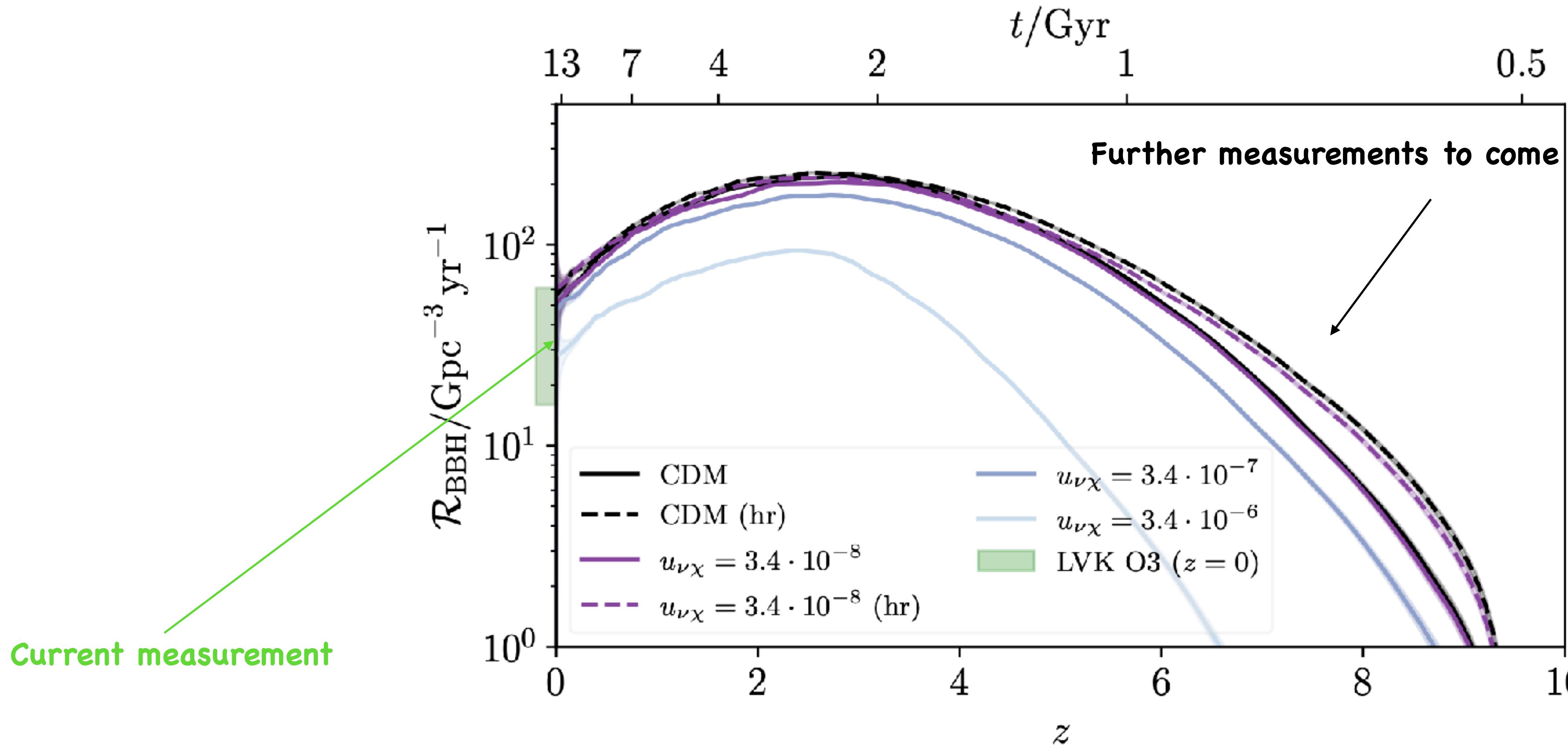


The BBH merger rate is thus essentially a delayed tracer of star formation, whose normalisation depends on the efficiency with which massive binary stars are converted into BBHs. This efficiency is mostly determined by the stellar metallicity.

We use a compas dataset of 20 million evolved binaries (resulting in  $\approx 0.7$  million BBHs) presented in [104], which is publicly available at [105]. This gives us the BBH formation efficiency as a function of initial mass and metallicity, as well as the delay time between star formation and BBH merger. By combining this with a model for the star formation rate density and metallicity distribution as functions of redshift, we can use the compas ‘cosmic integration’ module [106] to average over the synthetic population and obtain the cosmic BBH merger rate (i.e., the fraction of the stellar mass that is in elements heavier than helium).

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# Conclusion

- MeV-GeV range alive(?) but constrained?
- Was never properly investigated but things are changing
- Its fate relies on that of the mediators
- Cosmology is another powerful tool to constrain this mass range
- The DM-neutrinos interactions are the most promising in my opinion
- **The Gravitational wave & higher redshift (SKA) tests will be critical**

