

# The Particle Physics Side of **BDM**



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*N*-Body Simulations with Two-Component DM  
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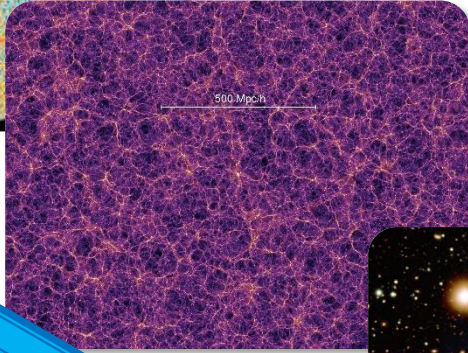
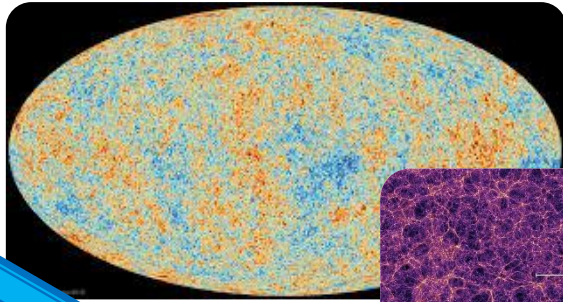
# Outline

- ❖ **Dark Matter? Dark Sector?**
- ❖ **Boosted Dark Matter (BDM) & Its Searches**
- ❖ **Issues in BDM Searches**
- ❖ **Cosmological Effects**
- ❖ **Summary**

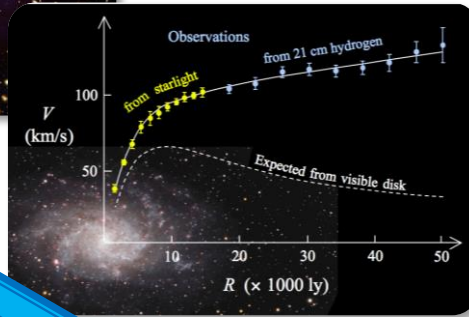
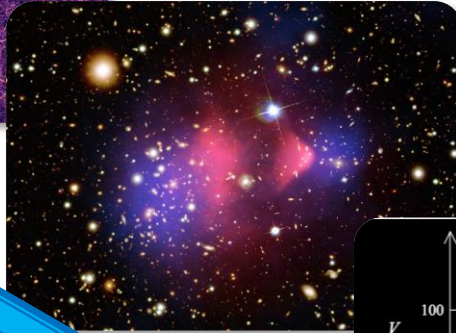


**Dark Matter?**  
**Dark Sector?**

# Message from Cosmology: Dark Matter (DM)

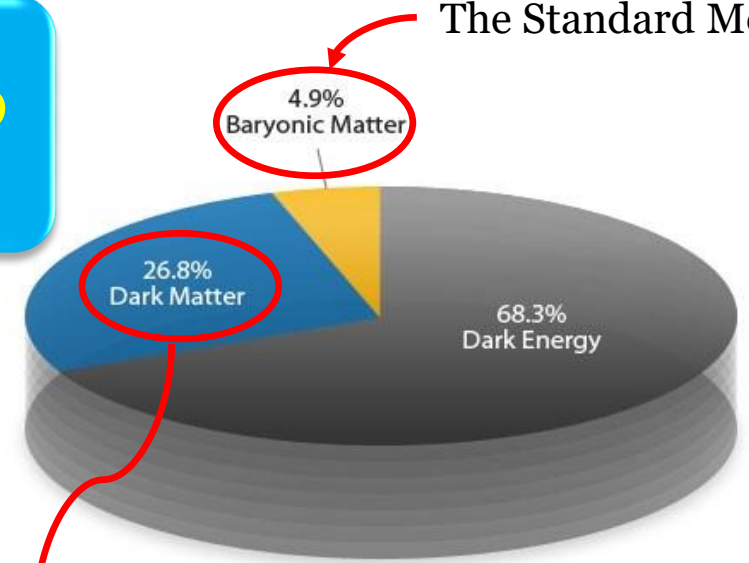


**Dark Matter?**



❖ **Modern cosmology:**

The Standard Model



❖ **Compelling paradigm:**

- ✓ Massive,
- ✓ Non-relativistic ( $v \ll c$ ),
- ✓ Non-luminous (no/tiny EM interaction),
- ✓ Stable particles

Larger scale  
Earlier

Many more other observations!

Smaller scale  
Later

## Minimal Dark Matter

[hep-ph/0512090]

Marco Cirelli<sup>a</sup>, Nicolao Fornengo<sup>b</sup>, Alessandro Strumia<sup>c</sup>.

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + c \begin{cases} \bar{\mathcal{X}}(i\not{D} + M)\mathcal{X} & \text{when } \mathcal{X} \text{ is a spin } 1/2 \text{ fermionic multiplet} \\ |D_\mu \mathcal{X}|^2 - M^2 |\mathcal{X}|^2 & \text{when } \mathcal{X} \text{ is a spin } 0 \text{ bosonic multiplet} \end{cases}$$

$\mathcal{X}$  is an  $n$ -tuple of the  $\text{SU}(2)_L$  gauge group, with  $n = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$

## The minimal model of fermionic dark matter

[hep-ph/0611069]

**Yeong Gyun Kim, Kang Young Lee**

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{DM}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DM}} = \bar{\psi} i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \psi - m_0 \bar{\psi} \psi, \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{1}{\Lambda} H^\dagger H \bar{\psi} \psi$$

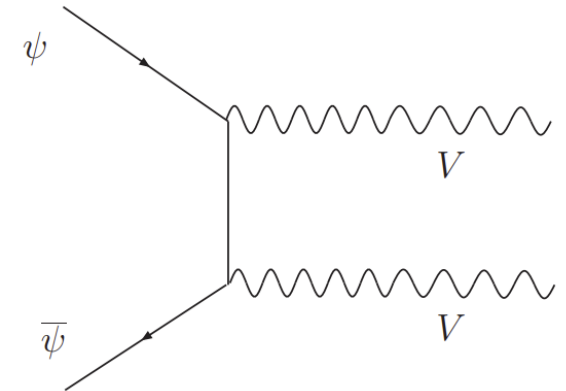
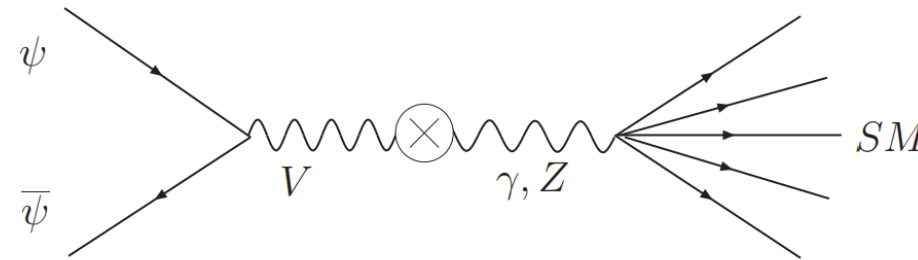
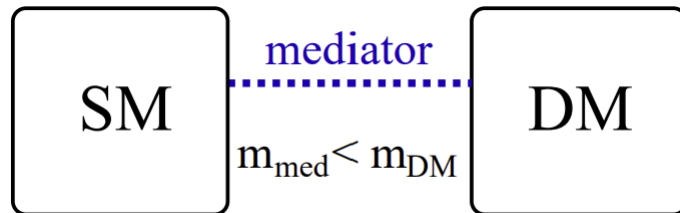
# Secluded DM

## Secluded WIMP Dark Matter

[0711.4866]

Maxim Pospelov<sup>(a,b)</sup>, Adam Ritz<sup>(a)</sup> and Mikhail Voloshin<sup>(c,d)</sup>

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{WIMP+mediator}} = -\frac{1}{4}V_{\mu\nu}^2 - \frac{\kappa}{2}V_{\mu\nu}B_{\mu\nu} - |D_\mu\phi|^2 - U(\phi\phi^*) + \bar{\psi}(iD_\mu\gamma_\mu - m_\psi)\psi.$$



**Note added** – As this paper was being finalized, we became aware of a recent preprint [36] that also deals with  $U(1)'$  models of MeV-scale dark matter with kinetic mixing, and thus has some overlap with the discussion in Sect. 3(a,b).

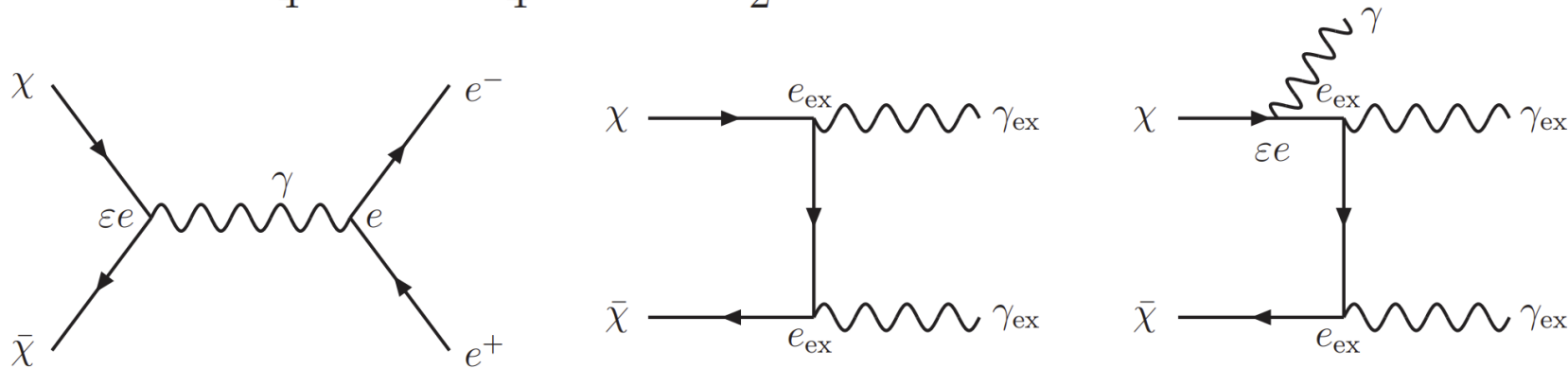
# Secluded DM

## Galactic 511 keV line from MeV millicharged dark matter

[0711.3528]

Ji-Haeng Huh, Jihn E. Kim\*, Jong-Chul Park† and Seong Chan Park‡

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}\hat{F}_{\mu\nu}\hat{F}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}\hat{X}_{\mu\nu}\hat{X}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\xi}{2}\hat{F}_{\mu\nu}\hat{X}^{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathcal{L} = \bar{\chi}(\hat{e}_{\text{ex}}Q_\chi\gamma^\mu)\chi\hat{X}_\mu,$$



[1011.3300]

## Singlet fermionic dark matter

[0803.2932]

Kang Young Lee Yeong Gyun Kim, Seodong Shin

$$\mathcal{L}_{hid} = \mathcal{L}_S + \mathcal{L}_\psi - g_S \bar{\psi}\psi S, \quad \mathcal{L}_{int} = -\lambda_1 H^\dagger H S - \lambda_2 H^\dagger H S^2.$$

## Dark matter and a new gauge boson through kinetic mixing

Eung Jin Chun Jong-Chul Park Stefano Scopel

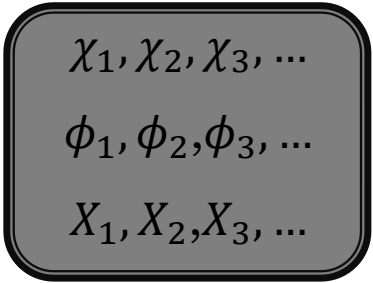
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} - \frac{1}{2} \sin \epsilon \hat{B}_{\mu\nu} \hat{X}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} \hat{X}^{\mu\nu} \hat{X}_{\mu\nu} - g_X \hat{X}^\mu \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \psi + \frac{1}{2} m_X^2 \hat{X}^2 + m_\psi \bar{\psi} \psi$$

# Dark Sector: Dark Particles & Portals

mass charge spin	$\sim 2.2$ MeV/c <sup>2</sup> $\frac{2}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ u up	$\sim 1.28$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup> $\frac{2}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ c charm	$\sim 172.1$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup> $\frac{2}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ t top	0 0 1 g gluon	$\sim 124.97$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup> 0 0 0 H higgs
QUARKS	$\sim 4.7$ MeV/c <sup>2</sup> $-\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ d down	$\sim 99$ MeV/c <sup>2</sup> $-\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ s strange	$\sim 4.18$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup> $-\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ b bottom	0 0 1 γ photon	
LEPTONS	$\sim 0.511$ MeV/c <sup>2</sup> 0 0 e electron	$\sim 105.66$ MeV/c <sup>2</sup> 0 0 μ muon	$\sim 1.7768$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup> 0 0 τ tau	0 0 1 Z Z boson	
	$\sim 2.2$ eV/c <sup>2</sup> 0 0 ν <sub>e</sub> electron neutrino	$\sim 0.17$ MeV/c <sup>2</sup> 0 0 ν <sub>μ</sub> muon neutrino	$\sim 1.7768$ GeV/c <sup>2</sup> 0 0 ν <sub>τ</sub> tau neutrino	0 0 1 W W boson	
				GAUGE BOSONS VECTOR BOSONS	SCALAR BOSONS



Portal



Multiple stable & unstable particles, Various interactions

Multiple stable & unstable particles, Various interactions?

## ❖ Portals: mediators

- ✓ **Vector** portal (kinetic mixing):  $\frac{\sin \epsilon}{2} B_{\mu\nu} X^{\mu\nu}$
- ✓ **Scalar** (Higgs) portal:  $\lambda_{H\phi} |H|^2 |\phi|^2$
- ✓ **Fermion** (neutrino) portal:  $\lambda_\chi HL\chi$
- ✓ **Pseudo-scalar** (axion) portal:  $\frac{1}{f_{a\gamma/ag}} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$   
 $\frac{1}{f_{af}} \partial_\mu a (\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi)$
- ✓ **Dilaton** portal:  $\frac{\sigma}{f} (M_V^2 V_\mu V^\mu + \dots + V_{\mu\nu} V^{\mu\nu} + \dots)$
- ✓ Gauged SM **global #**: B-L, L<sub>μ</sub>-L<sub>τ</sub>, ...
- ✓ **Dark axion** portal:  $G_{a\gamma\gamma'} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{X}^{\mu\nu}$
- ✓ **Double** portal: combination of portals [Belanger, Goudelis, JCP (2013)]
- ✓ ???

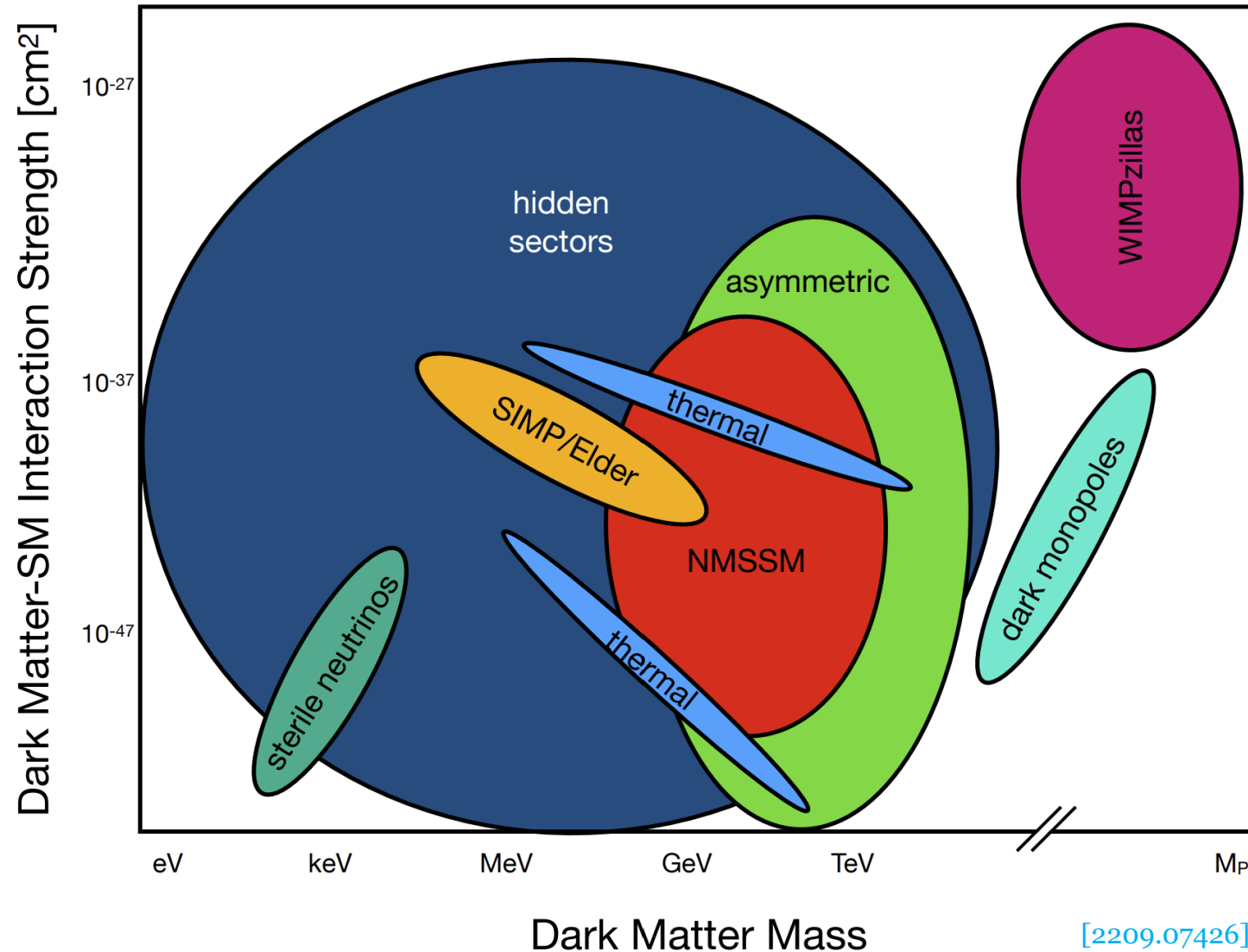
## ❖ Dark sector particles

- ✓ DM **spin**: fermion, scalar, vector
- ✓ DM **species**: single-/two-/multi-component
- ✓ DM **mass**: light, heavy, light & heavy
- ✓ DM **interaction**: flavor-conserving (elastic),  
flavor-changing (inelastic)
- ✓ ???



# Dark Sector or Hidden Sector

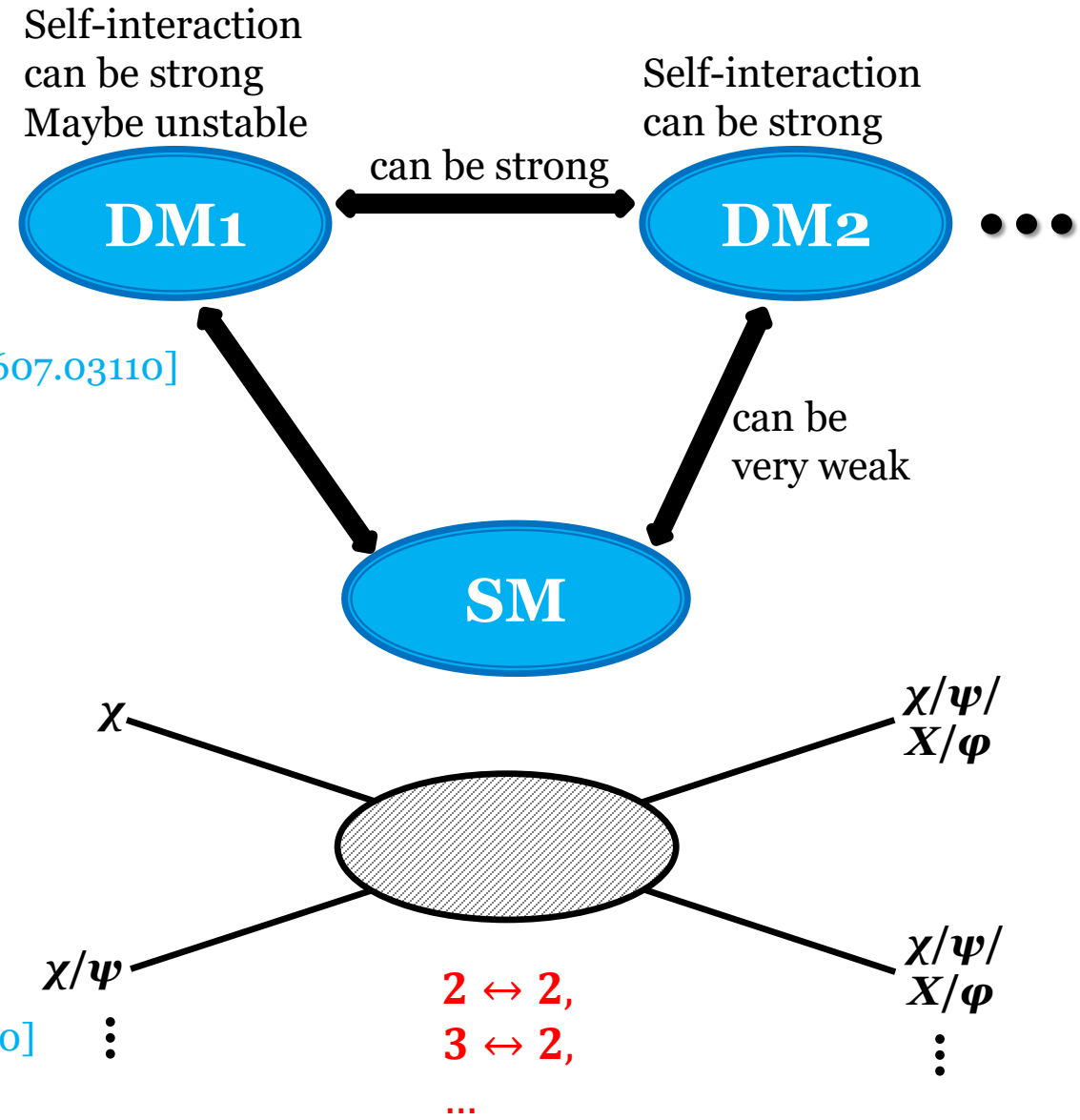
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# Various Ideas for DM

## ❖ Various mechanisms for DM relic determination:

- ✓ Assisted freeze-out [Belanger & JCP, 1112.4491]
- ✓ Asymmetric dark matter [0901.4117]
- ✓ Cannibal dark matter [1602.04219; 1607.03108]
- ✓ Co-annihilation [PRD43 (1991) 3191]
- ✓ Co-decaying dark matter [Bandyopadhyay, Chun, JCP, 1105.1652; 1607.03110]
- ✓ Continuum dark matter [2105.07035]
- ✓ Co-scattering mechanism [1705.08450]
- ✓ Dynamical dark matter [1106.4546]
- ✓ ELastically DEcoupling Relic (ELDER) [1512.04545]
- ✓ Freeze-in [0911.1120]
- ✓ Forbidden channels [PRD43 (1991) 3191; 1505.07107]
- ✓ Inverse decay dark matter [2111.14857]
- ✓ Pandemic dark matter [2103.16572]
- ✓ Semi-annihilation [0811.0172; 1003.5912]
- ✓ Strongly Interacting Massive Particle (SIMP) [1402.5143; 1702.07860]
- ✓ ...





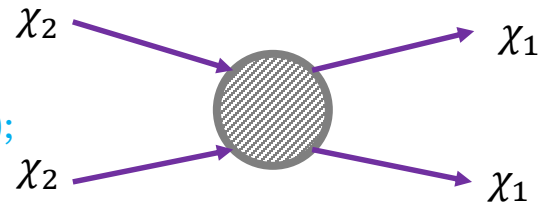
# **Boosted Dark Matter (BDM)**

# Dark Sector: DM Boosting Mechanisms



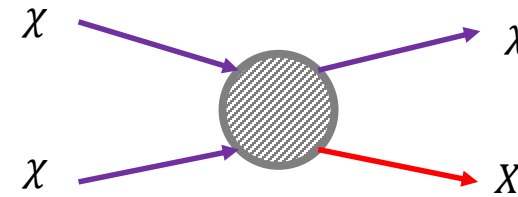
## Boosted DM (BDM) coming from the Universe

[Belanger & JCP, JCAP (2012);  
Agashe et al., JCAP (2014);  
Kong, Mohlabeng, JCP, PLB (2015);  
Berger et al., JCAP (2015);  
Kim, JCP, Shin, PRL (2017);  
more]



✓ Multi-component model

$$m_2 \gg m_1$$



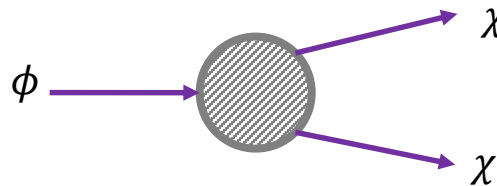
✓ Semi-annihilation model

$$m_\chi \gg m_X$$

[D'Eramo & Thaler, JHEP (2010);  
Berger et al., JCAP (2015)]

Large  $E_k^{\text{DM}}$  (monochromatic) due to mass gap

❖ Relic component DM:  
Non-relativistic!



✓ Decaying multi-component DM

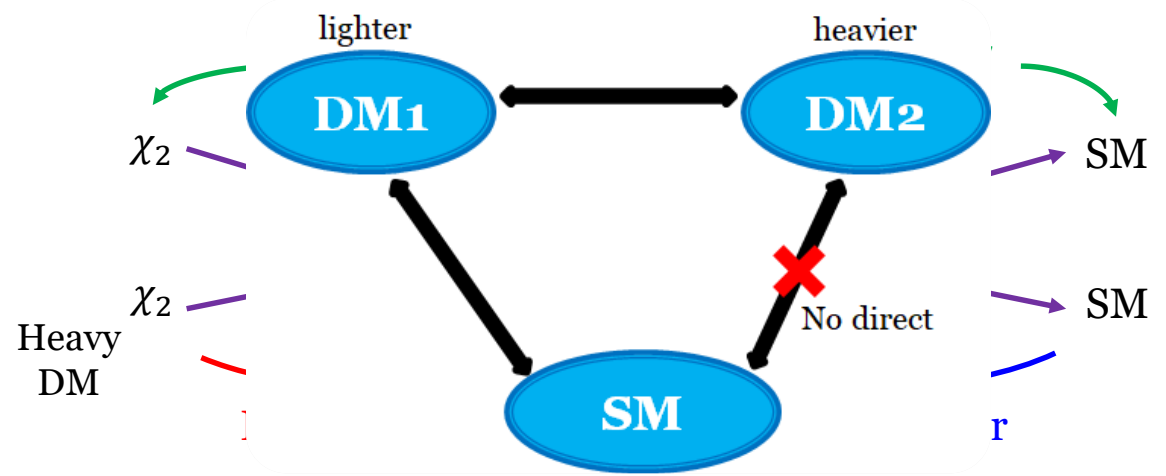
$$m_\phi \gg m_\chi$$

[Bhattacharya et al., JCAP (2015);  
Kopp et al., JHEP (2015);  
Cline et al., PRD (2019);  
Heurtier, Kim, JCP, Shin, PRD (2019);  
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# Two-Component Scenario: Freeze-out

[Belanger, **JCP**, JCAP (2012)]

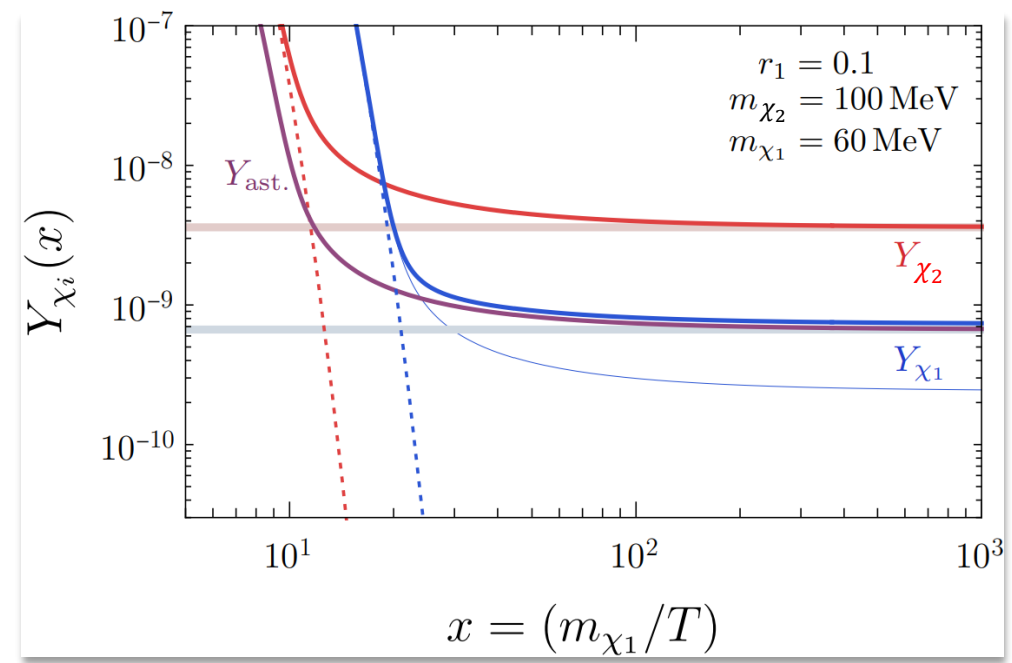
[Kamada, Kim, **JCP**, Shin, JCAP (2022)]



## “Assisted Freeze-out” Mechanism

- ✓ Heavier relic  $\chi_2$ : **hard to directly detect it** due to tiny coupling to SM

Thermal relic:  $Y_i = n_i/s$

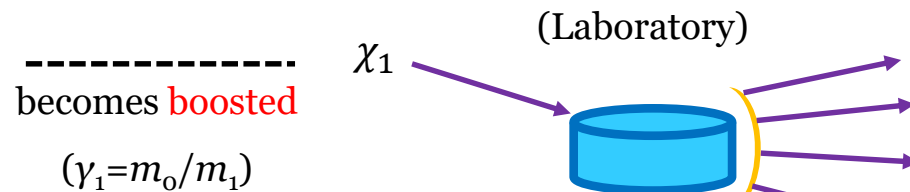
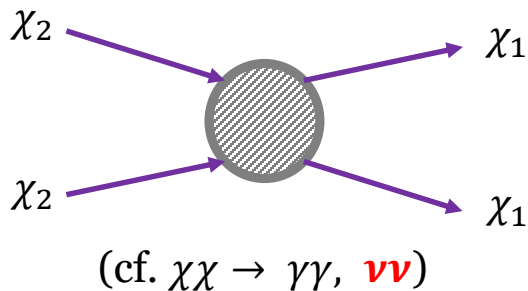
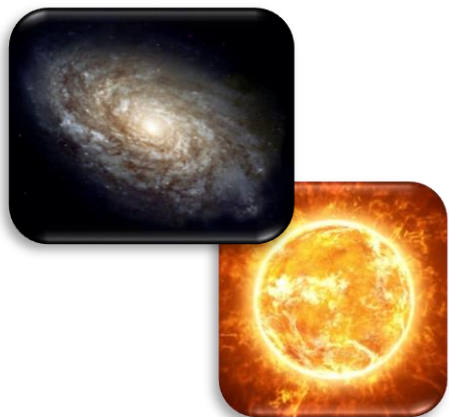


$$\frac{dY_{\chi_2}}{dx} = -\frac{\lambda_{\chi_2}(x)}{x} \left[ Y_{\chi_2}^2 - \left( \frac{Y_{\chi_2}^{\text{eq}}(x)}{Y_{\chi_1}^{\text{eq}}(x)} \right)^2 Y_{\chi_1}^2 \right],$$

$$\frac{dY_{\chi_1}}{dx} = -\frac{\lambda_{\chi_1}(x)}{x} \left[ Y_{\chi_1}^2 - \left( Y_{\chi_1}^{\text{eq}}(x) \right)^2 \right] + \frac{\lambda_{\chi_0}(x)}{x} \left[ Y_{\chi_2}^2 - \left( \frac{Y_{\chi_2}^{\text{eq}}(x)}{Y_{\chi_1}^{\text{eq}}(x)} \right)^2 Y_{\chi_1}^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{dY_{\chi_1}}{dx} \simeq -\frac{\lambda_{\chi_1}(x)}{x} \left[ Y_{\chi_1}^2 - \left( Y_{\chi_1}^{\text{eq}}(x) \right)^2 - Y_{\text{ast.}}^2(x) \right]$$

# Two-Component Scenario: BDM Signatures



becomes **boosted**

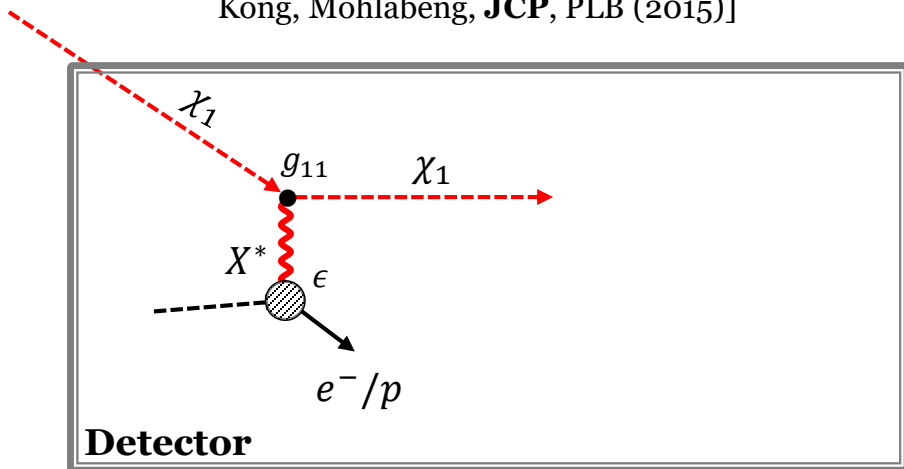
$$(\gamma_1 = m_0/m_1)$$

$$\frac{d\Phi_1}{dE_1} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\Omega \int_{\text{l.o.s.}} ds \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi_2 \bar{\chi}_2 \rightarrow \chi_1 \bar{\chi}_1} \frac{dN_1}{dE_1} \left( \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}(s, \theta))}{m_0} \right)^2$$

$$= 8.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \times \left( \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi_2 \bar{\chi}_2 \rightarrow \chi_1 \bar{\chi}_1}}{5 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{GeV}}{m_0} \right)^2 \frac{dN_1}{dE_1}$$

## elastic scattering (eBDM)

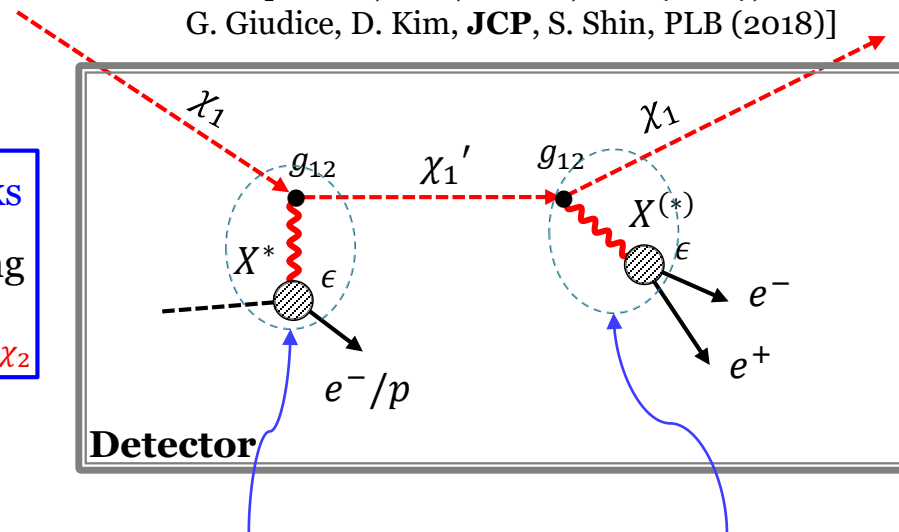
[Agashe, Cui, Necib, Thaler, JCAP (2014);  
Kong, Mohlabeng, JCP, PLB (2015)]



## inelastic scattering (iBDM)

[D. Kim, JCP, S. Shin, PRL (2017);  
G. Giudice, D. Kim, JCP, S. Shin, PLB (2018)]

1~3 tracks  
depending  
on  $E_{\text{th}}$  &  $l_{\chi_2}$



p- or e-scattering (primary)

Decay (secondary)

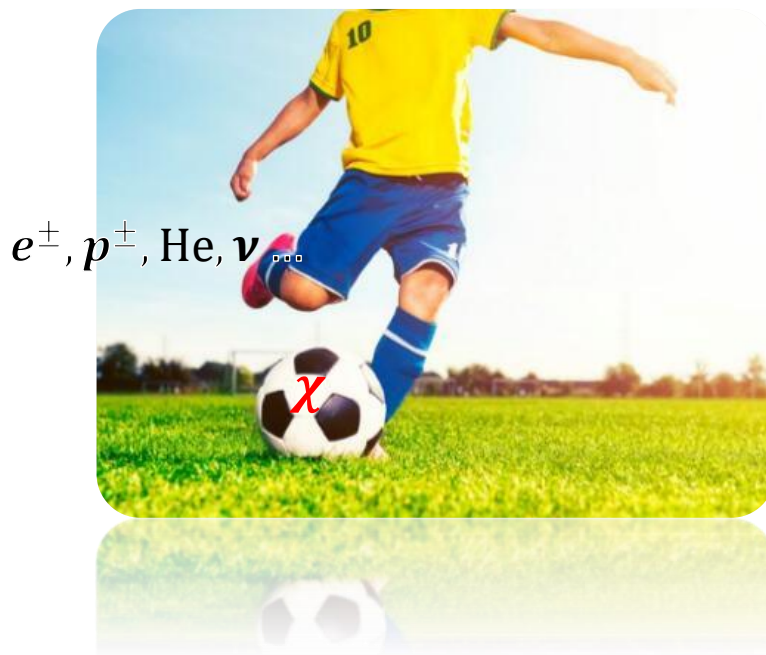
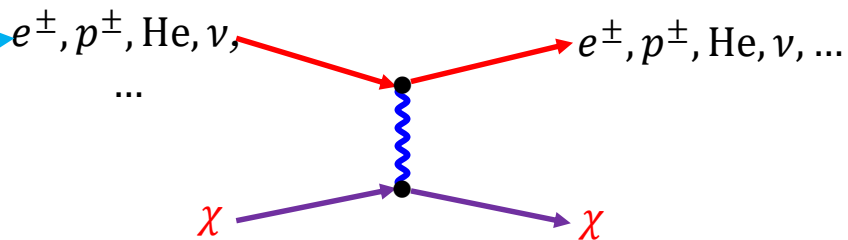
❖ BDM signal: detectable at **large volume detectors**

# DM Boosting Mechanisms: Cosmic-Rays (CRs)

## Cosmic-Ray-Induced BDM



- ❖ Energetic cosmic-ray-induced BDM: energetic cosmic-rays kick DM (large  $E_{e^\pm, p^\pm, \text{He}, \nu, \dots} \rightarrow$  large  $E_\chi$ )  
 **$\rightarrow$  Efficient for Light DM**



$e^\pm, p^\pm, \text{He}, \nu, \dots$

- ❖ **Charged CRs:** [Bringmann & Pospelov, PRL (2019); Ema et al., PRL (2019); Cappiello & Beacom, PRD (2019); Dent & Dutta et al., PRD (2020); Jho, JCP, Park & Tseng, PLB (2020); Cho et al., PRD (2020); more]
- ❖ **CR  $\nu$  ( $\nu$ BDM):** [Jho, JCP, Park & Tseng, 2101.11262; Das & Sen, 2104.00027; Chao, Li, Liao, 2108.05608; Lin, Wu, Wu, Wong, 2206.06864; more]

- ❖ BDM from astrophysical processes:
  - Solar evaporation - Kouvaris, PRD (2015)
  - Dark cosmic rays - Hu +, PLB (2017)
  - Solar reflection - An +, PRL (2018)
  - Solar acceleration - Emken +, PRD (2018)
  - Atmospheric collider - Alvey+, PRL (2019)
  - PBH evaporation - Calabrese +, PRD (2022)
  - Blazar jets - Wang +, PRL (2022)
  - Supernova shocks - Cappiello
  - more

# BDM Searches @ Neutrino Experiments

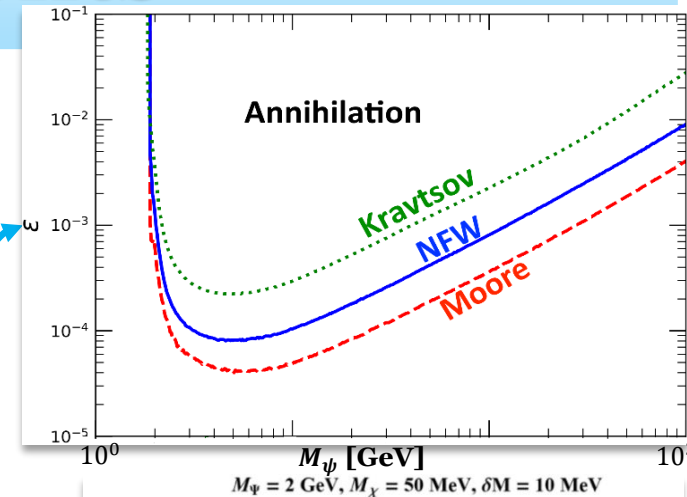
**Boosted DM (BDM) scenarios:**  
**Receiving rising attention as an alternative scenario**

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS **120**, 221301 (2018)

Editors' Suggestion

**Cherenkov radiation rings by electrons**

Search for Boosted Dark Matter Interacting with Electrons in Super-Kamiokande



Eur. Phys. J. C (2021) 81:322  
<https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-021-09007-w>

Regular Article - Experimental Physics

**Ionization tracks by electrons and/or protons**

Prospects for beyond the Standard Model physics searches at the  
**Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment**

DUNE Collaboration

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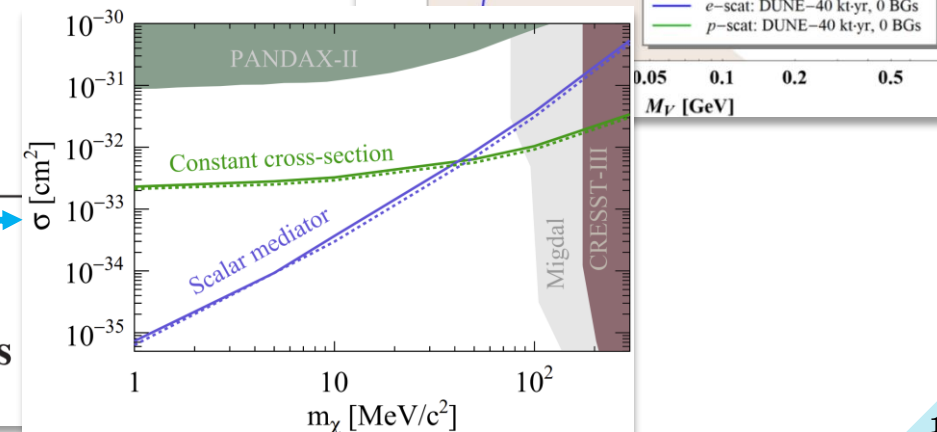
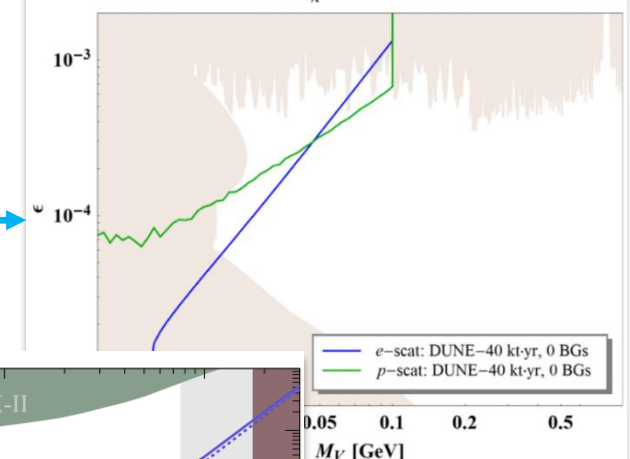
Editors' Suggestion

Featured in Physics

**Cherenkov radiation rings by protons**

Search for Cosmic-Ray Boosted Sub-GeV Dark Matter Using Recoil Protons  
 at Super-Kamiokande

$v_{DM} \sim c \rightarrow$  even  $\nu$  detector  
 w/ high  $E_{th}$  is OK!





# BDM Searches @ DM Experiments

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS **122**, 131802 (2019)

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## First Direct Search for Inelastic Boosted Dark Matter with COSINE-100

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS **131**, 201802 (2023)

## Search for Boosted Dark Matter in COSINE-100

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## Search for Cosmic-Ray Boosted Sub-GeV Dark Matter at the PandaX-II Experiment

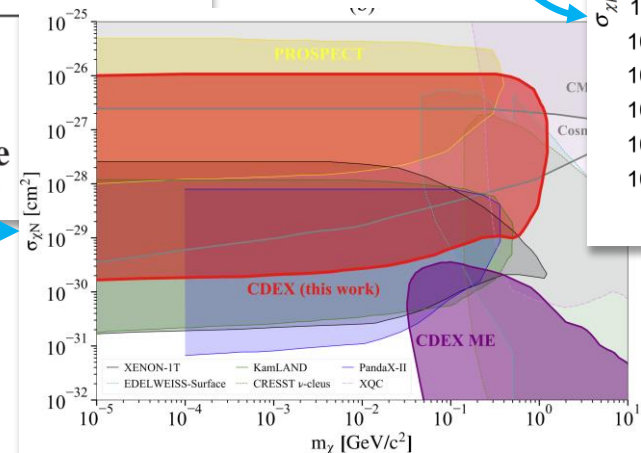
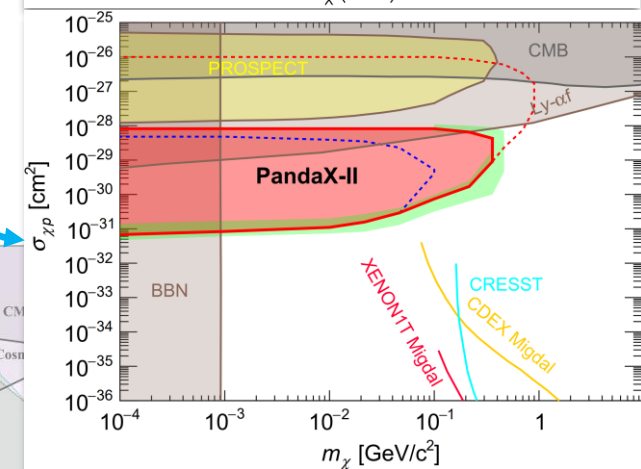
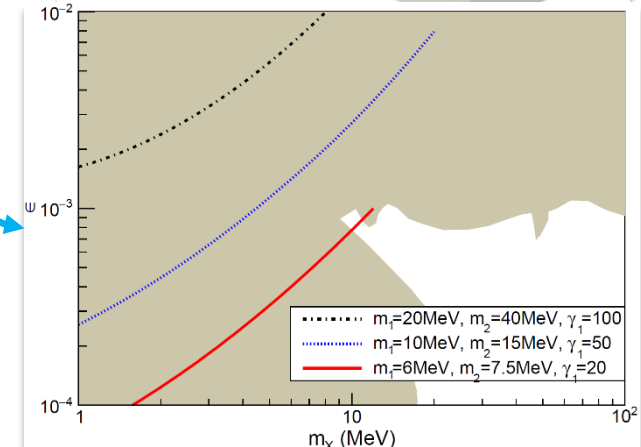
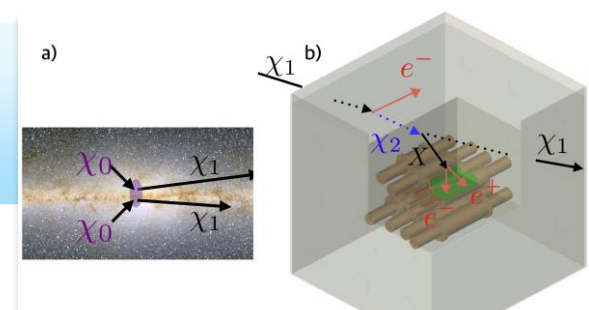
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## Constraints on sub-GeV dark matter boosted by cosmic rays from the CDEX-10 experiment at the China Jinping Underground Laboratory

- ✓ Not restricted to primary physics goals
- ✓ Opened to other (unplanned) physics opportunities

Scintillation photons

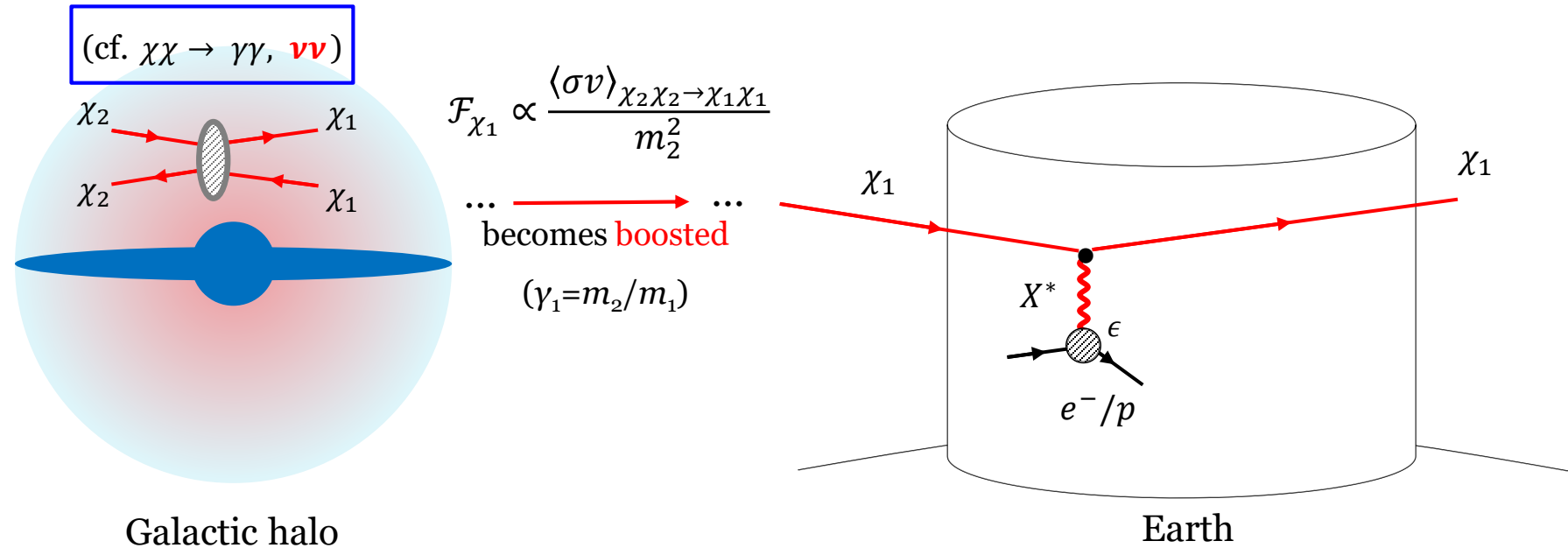
Pumping up the flux  
 → DM detector is OK!





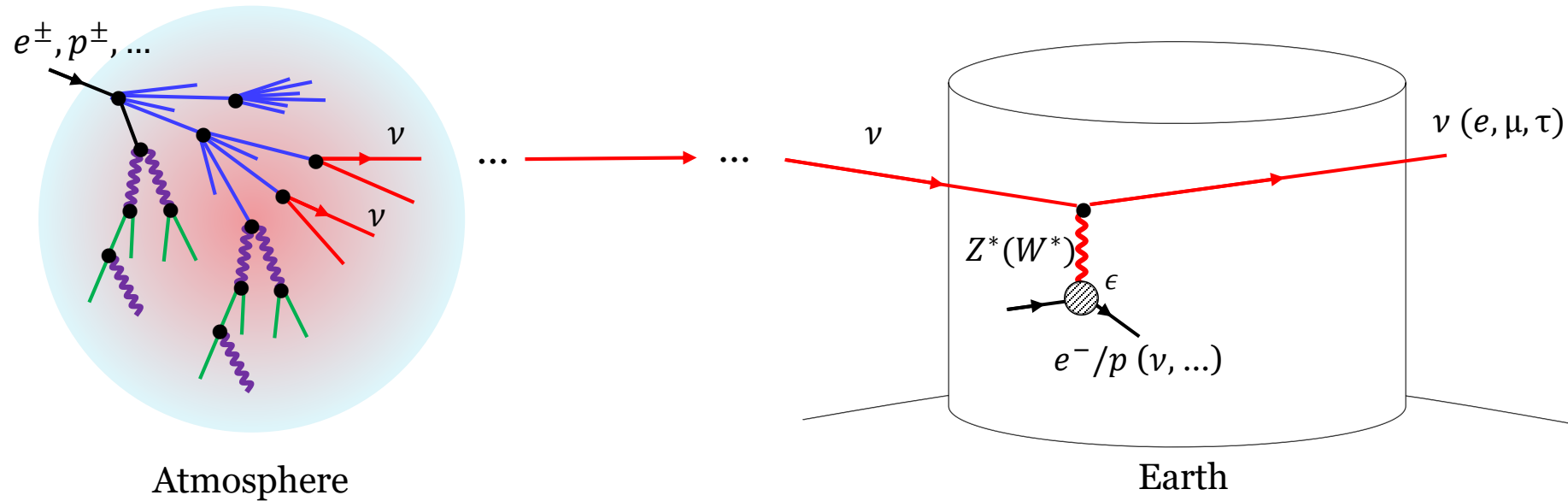
# **Issues in BDM Searches**

# Minimal Two-component Scenario



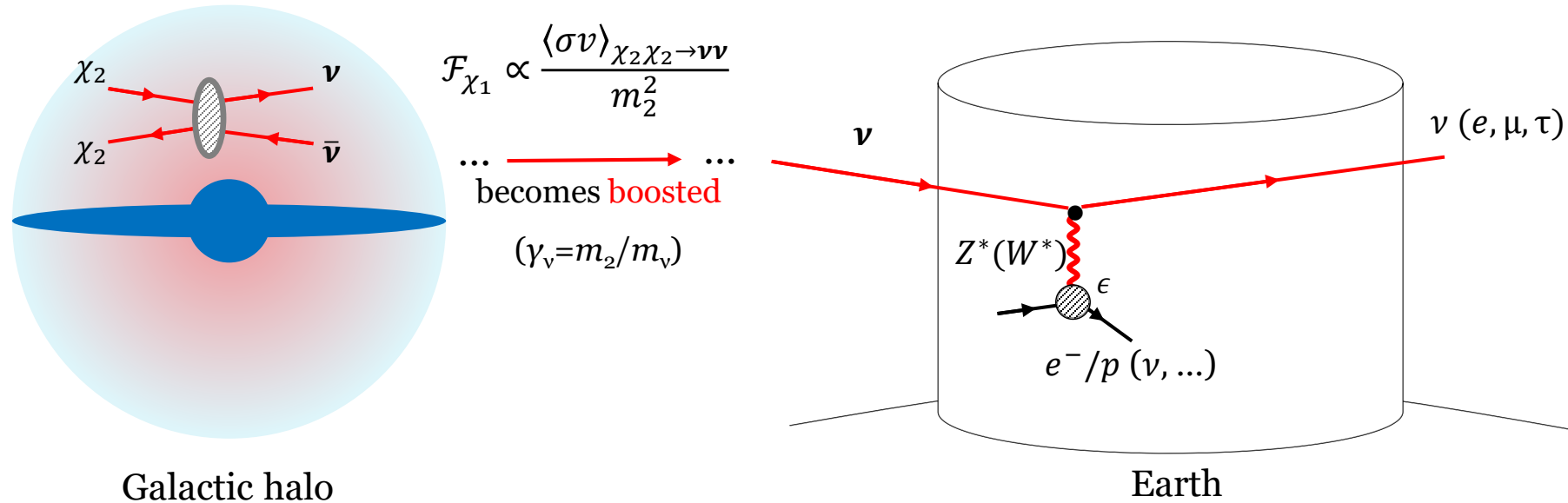
- ❖ **Example model:** fermionic heavier( $\chi_2$ )/lighter( $\chi_1$ ) DM + dark gauge boson( $X$ )  
 [G. Belanger, **JCP** (2011)]
- ❖ **Elastic electron** [Agashe, Cui, Necib, Thaler (2014)] & **proton (even DIS)** scattering channels are available.  $\rightarrow$  **Energetic recoil**

# Issue 1: Background



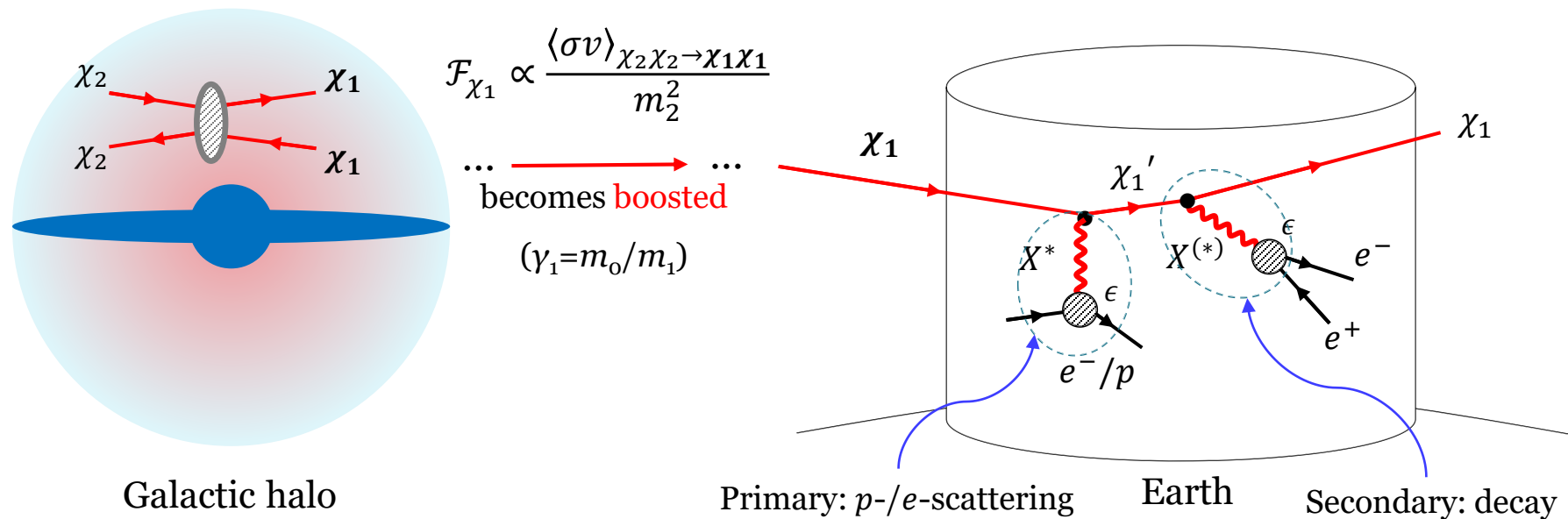
- ❖ Irreducible backgrounds: atmospheric-neutrino-induced events
- ❖ Neutral- & charged-current (even DIS) scattering channels are available. → Energetic recoil
- ❖ Good angular resolution allows to isolate source regions, especially very good for point-like sources such as the Sun & dwarf galaxies.

# Issue 2: Distinction from $\nu$ Scenario



- ❖ (Light) BDM behaves **like a neutrino**.
- ❖ **Signature-wise**, it is challenging to **distinguish the BDM scenario from the neutrino** one.

# Issue 1 & 2: Avoidable by iBDM Scenario

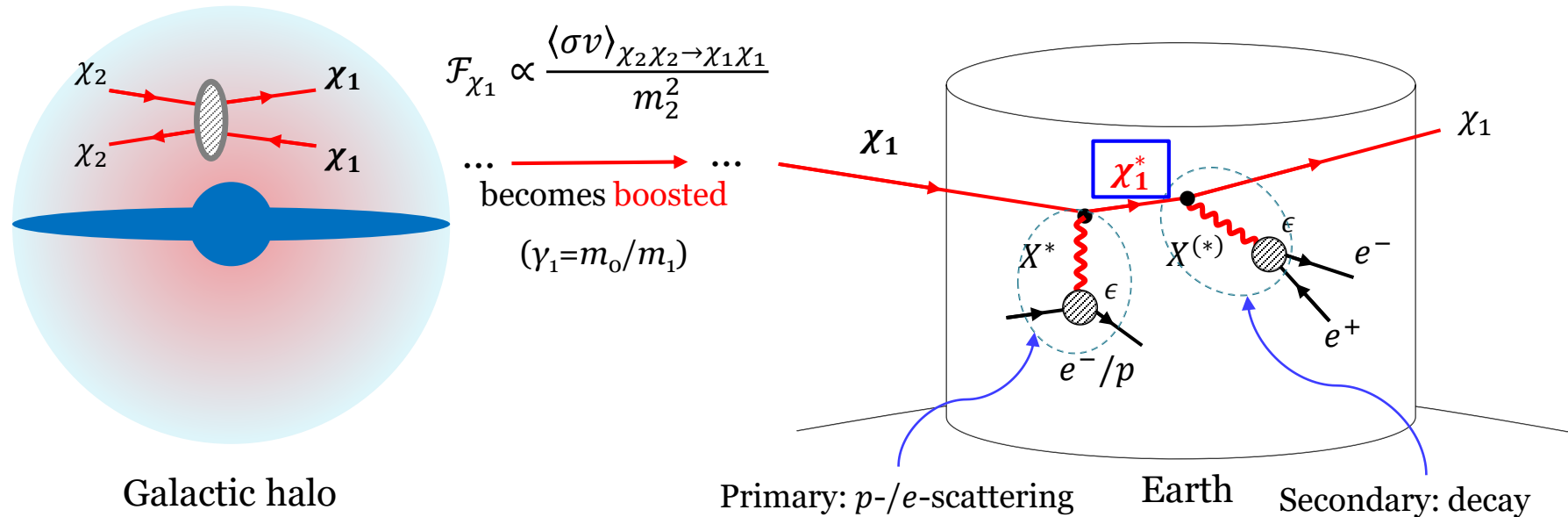


- ❖ **iBDM**: inelastic DM+BDM [Kim, JCP & Shin, PRL (2017)]
- ❖ **Additional signatures** from the decay of heavier unstable dark-sector state (or excited state)  $\chi_2$  at the **expense of “minimalism”** of underlying BDM models.

Is it possible to have **distinctive**  
**signatures** in the **minimal scenario**?



# Issue 2: Avoidable by Subleading Process



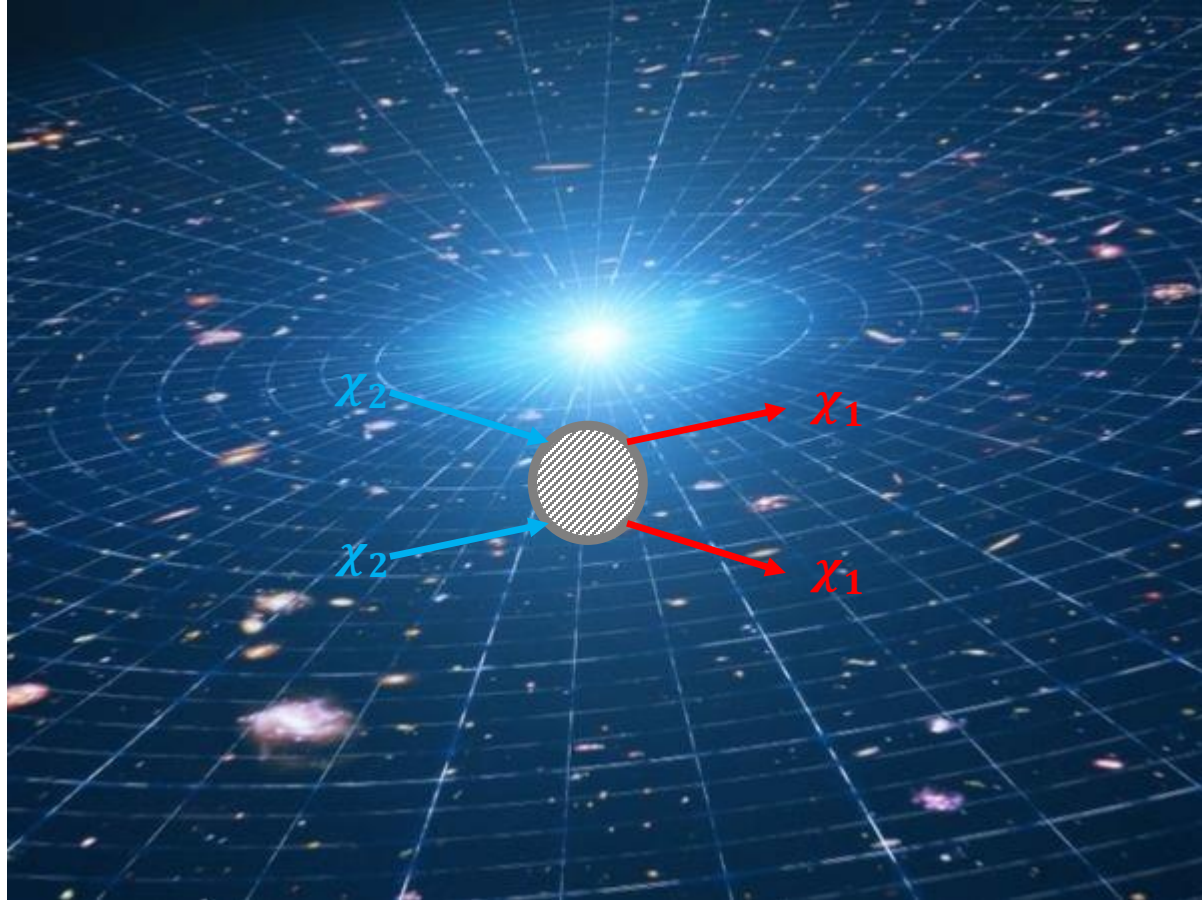
- ❖ **Distinctive signatures** may arise **even under the minimal setup**, once higher-order corrections are taken into account.
- ❖ **A new BDM search strategy** utilizing initial-/final-state dark gauge boson radiation, i.e. **“Dark-Strahlung”** from cosmogenic BDM [Kim, JCP & Shin, PRD (2019)]





# **Any Effects of Energetic DM on Cosmology?**

# BDM=Hot DM?



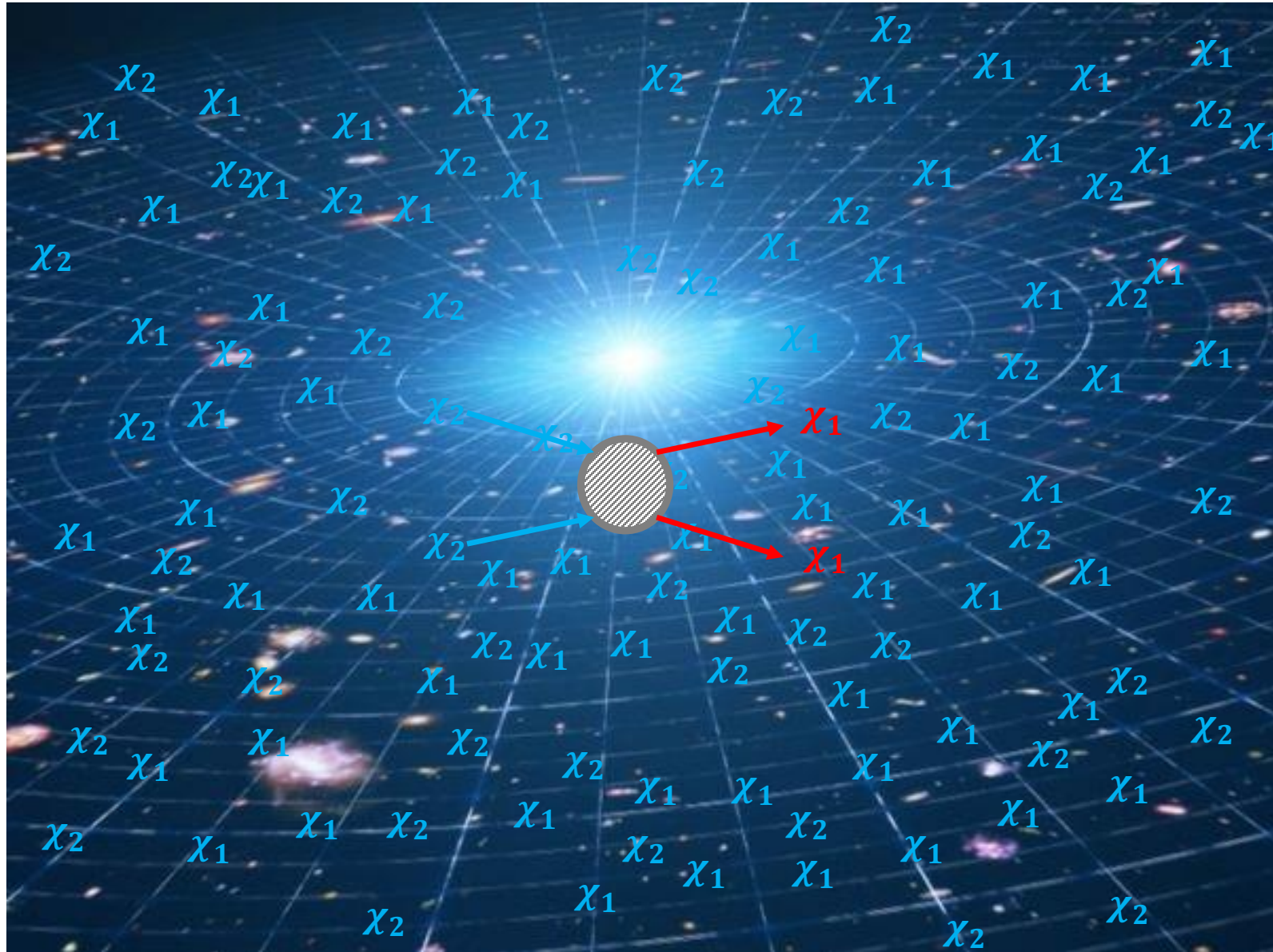
✓  $\chi_2$ : heavy DM,  $\chi_1$ : light DM

❖ **BDM=hot DM** → Strong constraints from cosmological evolution, structure formation, etc?

➤  $\chi_2\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1\chi_1$  Vs  $\chi\chi \rightarrow \nu\nu$

➤  $n_{\chi_1} \propto \frac{\langle\sigma v\rangle_{\chi_2\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1\chi_1}}{m_2^2}$  with  $\langle\sigma v\rangle_{\chi_2\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1\chi_1} \sim 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$

# Heating via Self-Scattering?



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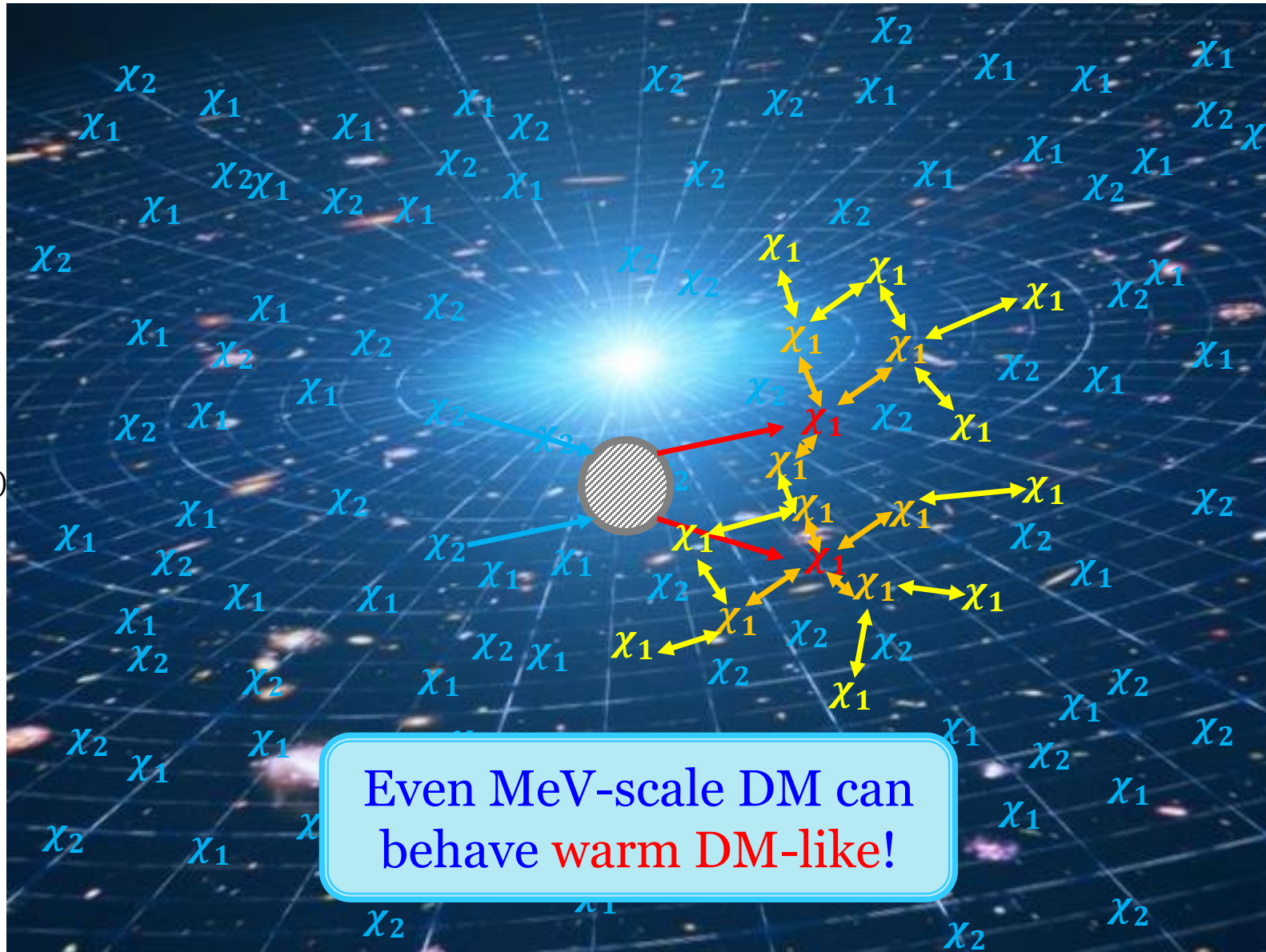
Large self-scattering is quite natural for light dark sector!

For  $g_{\chi_1} \approx O(1)$

&  $m \approx O(10 \text{ MeV})$ ,

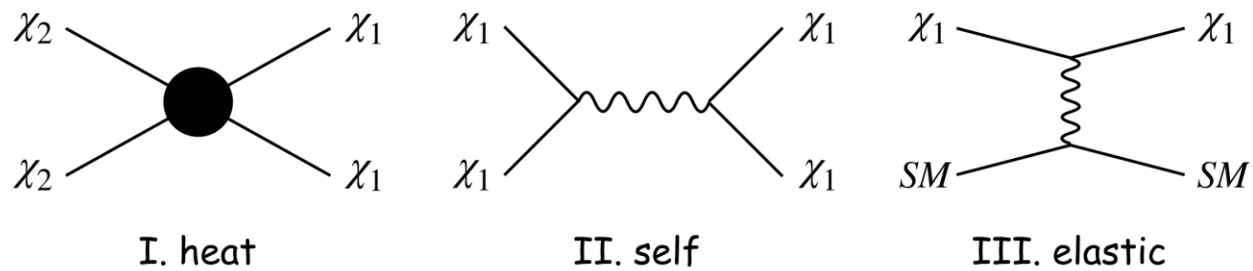
$$\sigma_{\chi_1}^{\text{self}} \approx \frac{g_{\chi_1}^4 m_{\chi_1}^2}{\pi m_{\text{med}}^4}$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma_{\chi_1}^{\text{self}}/m_{\chi_1} \approx O(1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g})$$



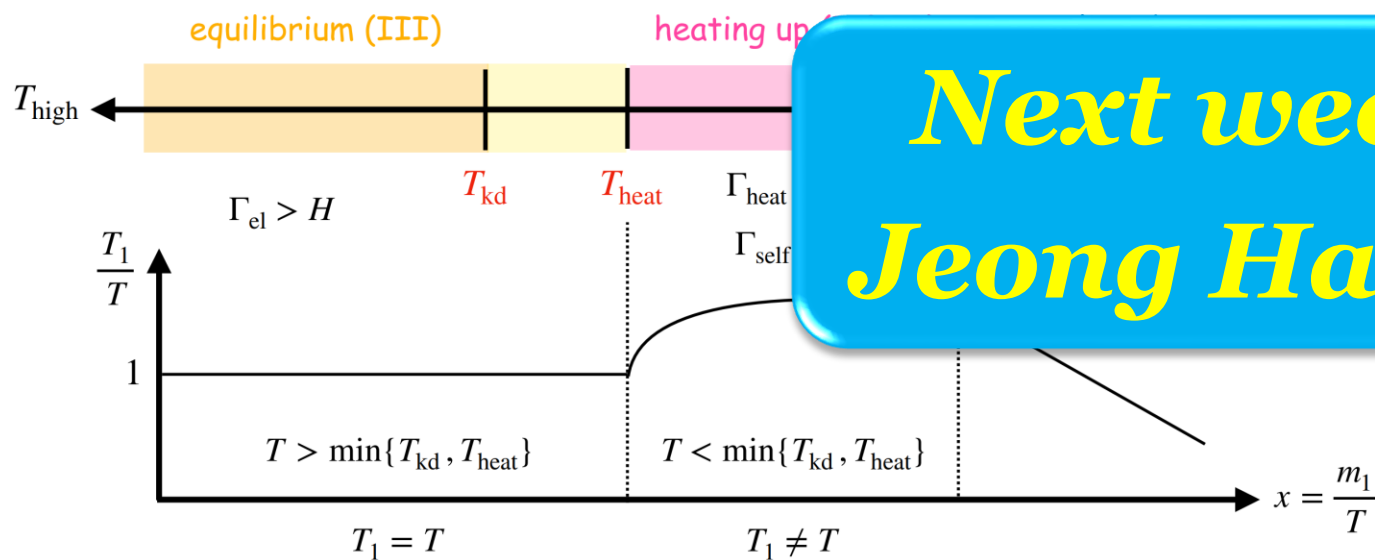
Even MeV-scale DM can  
behave **warm DM-like!**

# Thermal Evolution

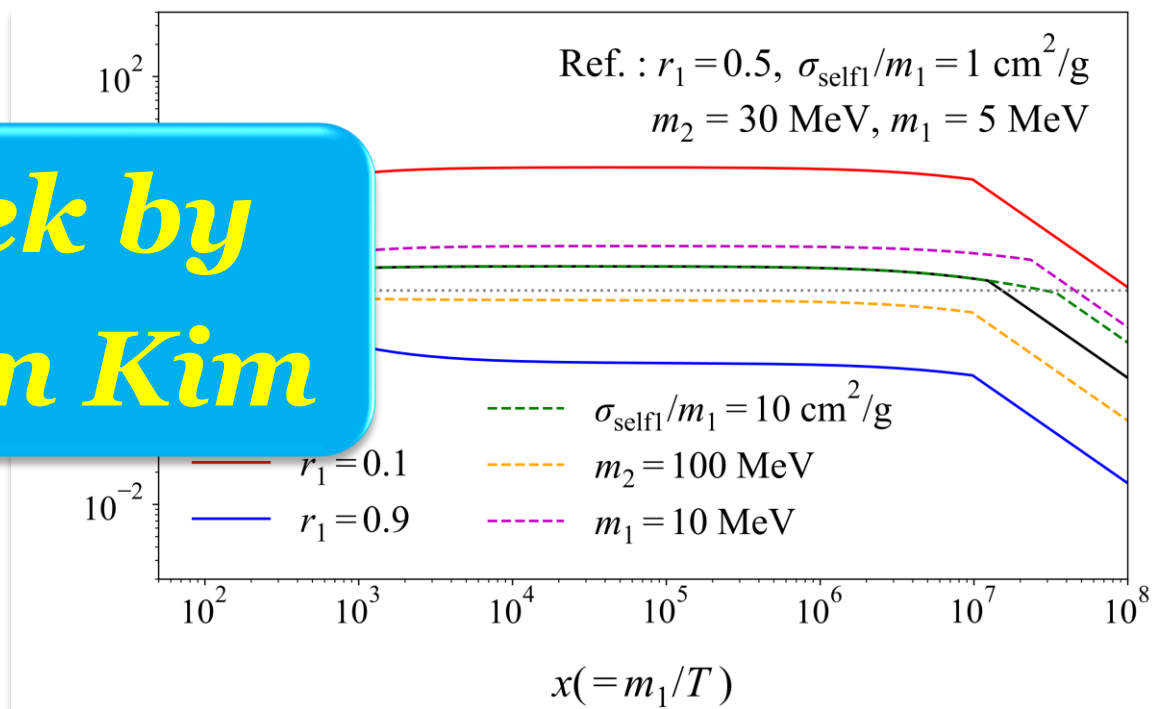


[Kamada, H. Kim, **JCP** & Shin, JCAP (2022)]

[J. Kim, Lim, **JCP** & Kong, 2312.07660]



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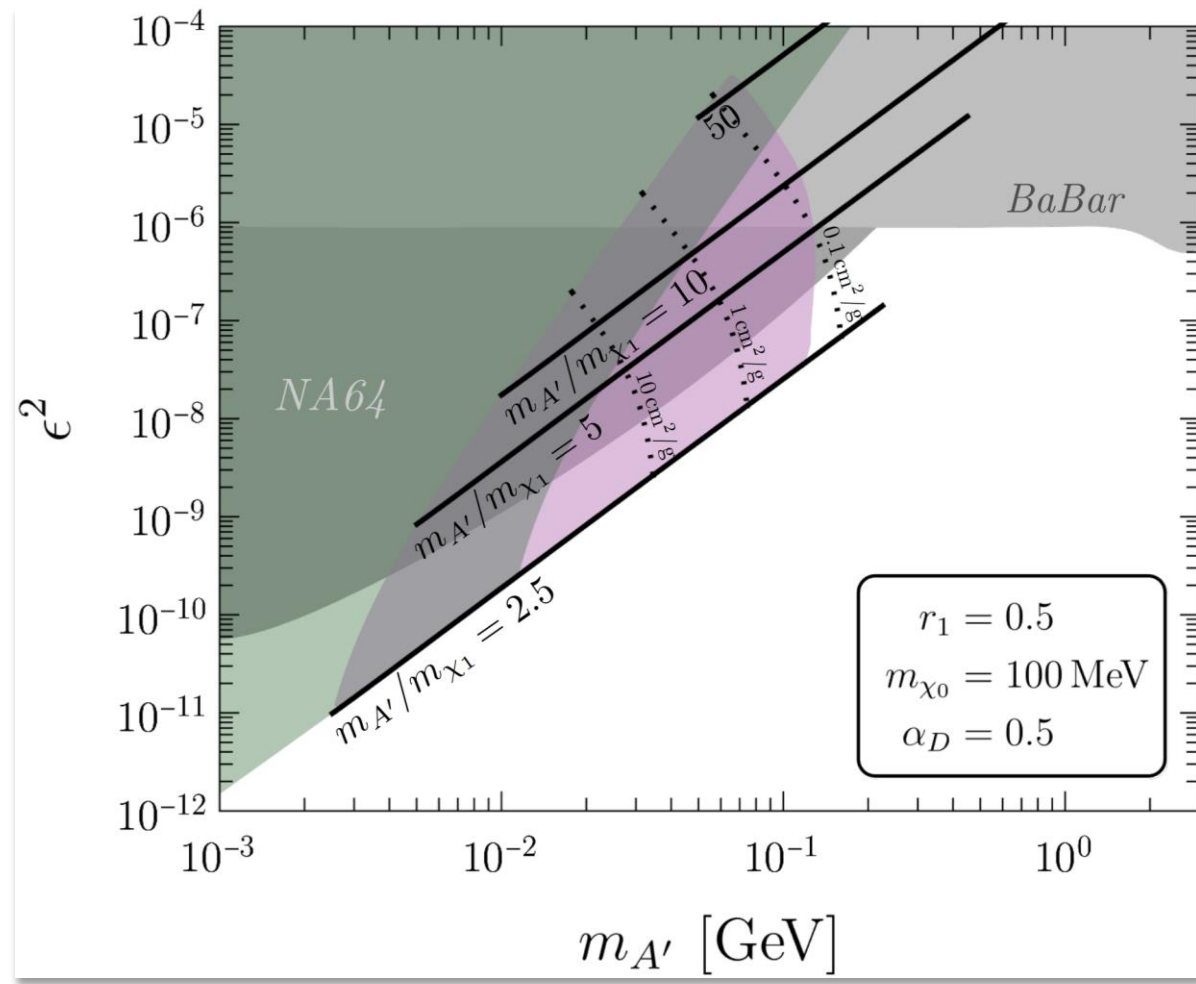
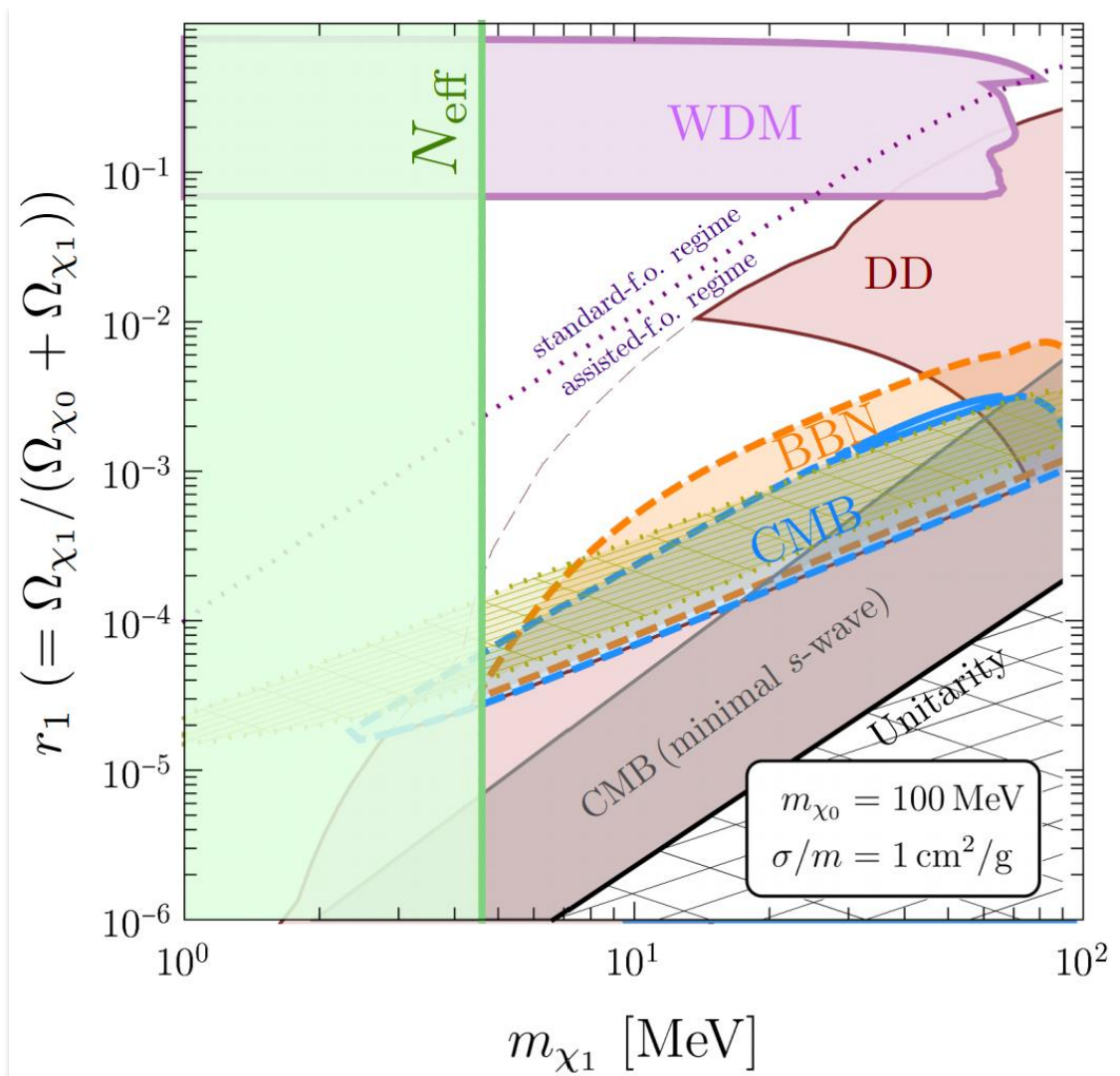


$$\dot{T}_{\chi_1} + 2HT_{\chi_1} \simeq \gamma_{\text{heat}}T - 2\gamma_{\chi_1\text{sm}}(T_{\chi_1} - T)$$

✓  $\chi_2$ : heavy DM,  $\chi_1$ : light DM

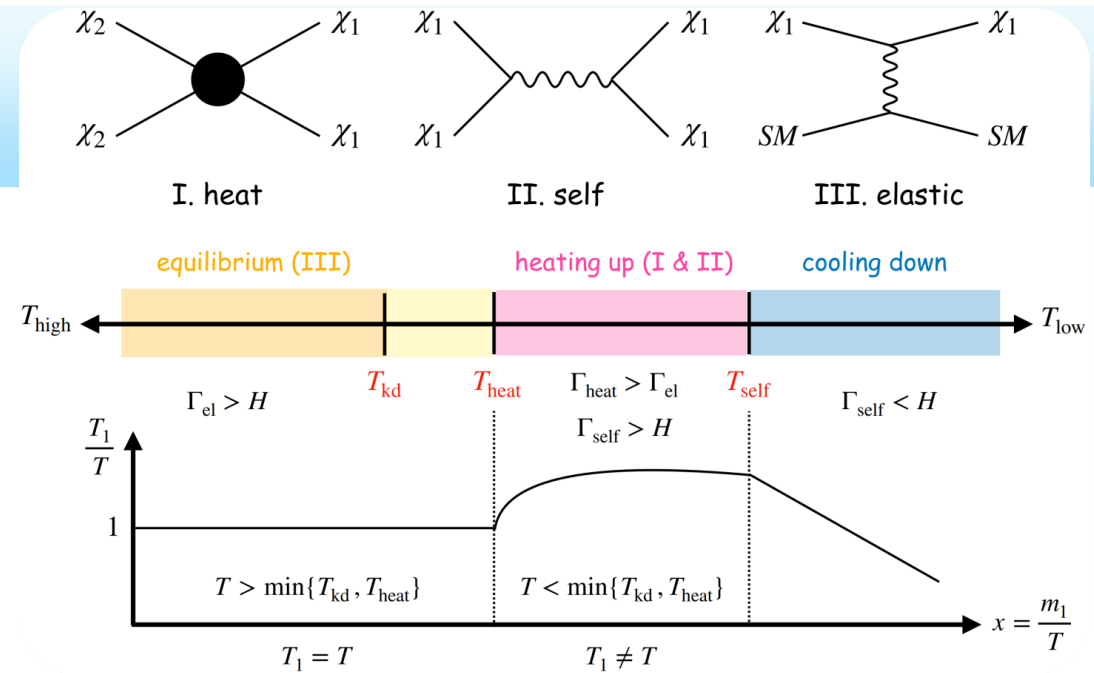
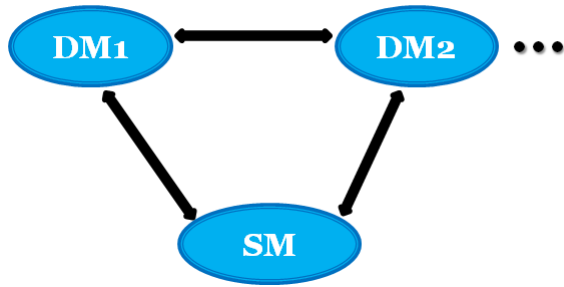
# Cosmological Constraints & Dark Photon Searches

[Kamada, H. Kim, **JCP** & Shin, **JCAP** (2022)]



$$\mathcal{L} \supset \epsilon A'_\mu J_{\text{em}}^\mu - ig_D A'_\mu (\chi_1^* \partial^\mu \chi_1 - \chi_1 \partial^\mu \chi_1^*) - \frac{\lambda_{\text{ast.}}}{4} |\chi_1|^2 |\chi_0|^2$$

# Summary



- ❖ **Rising interest** in **dark sector** (multiple particles) scenarios & **BDM** (Energetic DM)
- ❖ **BDM** searches are **promising** & provide a **new direction** to explore **dark sector** physics.
- ❖ **Experimental studies** have **already begun**, e.g. SK, COSINE-100, Panda-X, CDEX, DUNE, ...
- ❖ Effects of **multi-comp. CDM**: change in the **thermal evolution**
- ❖ The **lighter DM (> MeV)** can **behave like WDM**.
- ❖ **Systematic cosmological studies** are required!

# Thank you



**Supplemental**



# **Optimizing Future BDM Searches**



# Many More Well-Motivated Exps.

[P. Machado, D. Kim, JCP & S. Shin, JHEP (2020)]

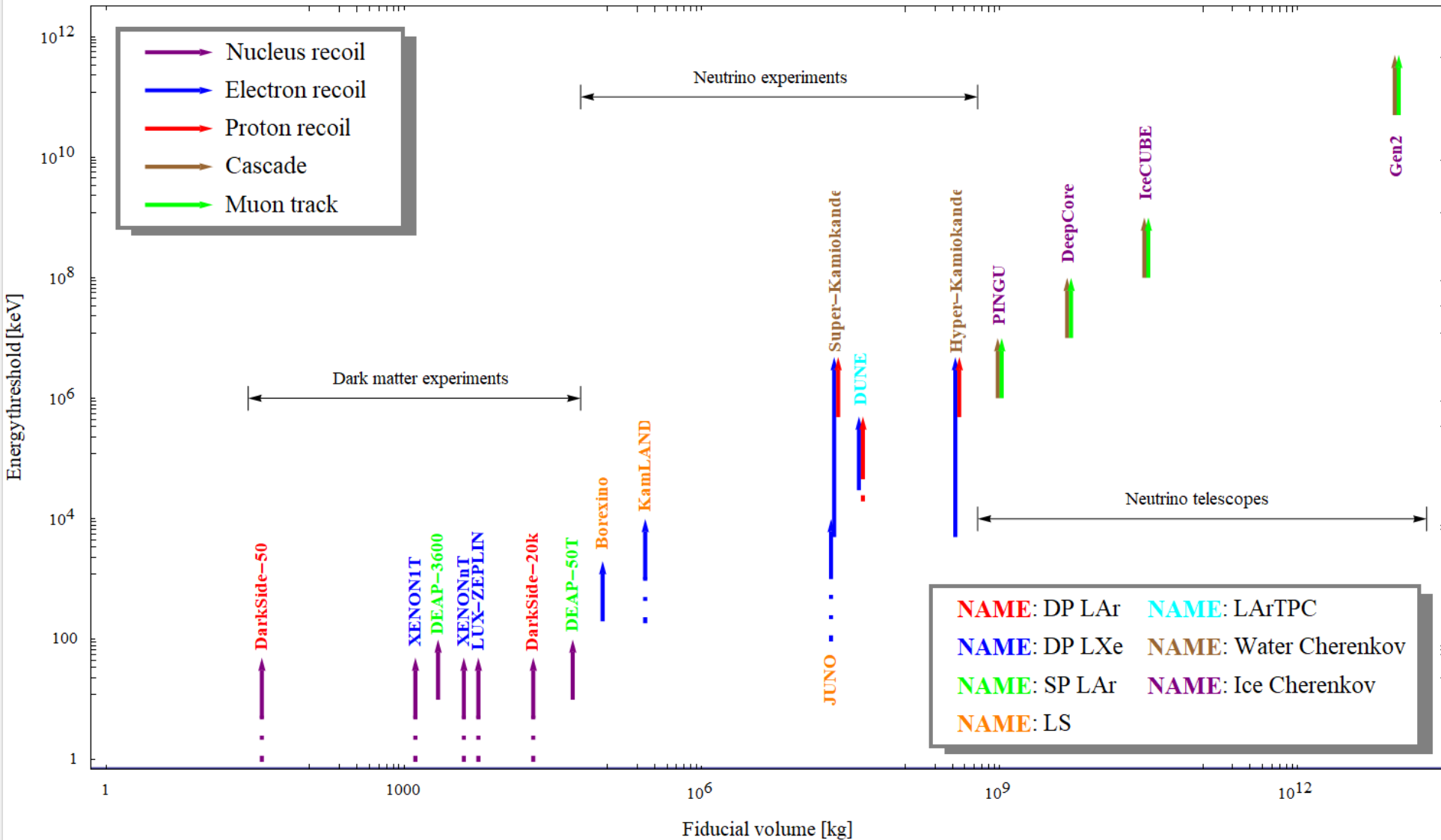
Dark Matter Experiments	Target	Volume [t]		Depth	$E_{th}$	Resolution			PID	Run Time	Refs.
	Material	Active	Fiducial	[m]	[keV]	Position [cm]	Angular [°]	Energy [%]			
DarkSide-50	LAr	46.4	36.9	3,800	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	-	$\lesssim 10$	-	2013-	[112]
DarkSide-20k	LAr	23	20	3,800	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	-	$\lesssim 10$	-	goal: 2021-	[79]
XENON1T	LXe	2.0	1.3	3,600	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	-	-	-	2016-2018	[113, 114]
XENONnT	LXe	5.9	$\sim 4$	3,600	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	-	-	-	goal: 2020-	[113]
DEAP-3600	SP LAr	3.26	2.2	2,000	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	$< 10$	-	$\sim 10 - 20$	-	2016-	[99-101]
DEAP-50T	SP LAr	150	50	2,000	$\mathcal{O}(10)$	15	-	-	-	-	[99]
LUX-ZEPLIN	LXe	7	5.6	1,500	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\sim 0.1 - 1$	-	2.5 MeV: 2	-	goal: 2020-	[115, 116]
Neutrino Experiments	Target	Volume [kt]		Depth	$E_{th}$	Vertex [cm]	Resolution		PID	Run Time	Refs.
Material	Active	Fiducial	[m]	[MeV]	Angular [°]	Energy [%]					
Borexino	organic LS	0.278	0.1	3,800	$\sim 0.2$	$\sim 9-17$	-	$\frac{5}{\sqrt{E}(\text{MeV})}$	-	$> 5.6$ year	[117]
KamLAND	LS	1	0.2686	1,000	0.2-1	$\frac{12-13}{\sqrt{E}(\text{MeV})}$	-	$\frac{6.4-6.9}{\sqrt{E}(\text{MeV})}$	-	$\sim 10$ year?	[118, 119]
JUNO	LS	-	20	700	$< 1$ , goal: 0.1	$\frac{12}{\sqrt{E}(\text{MeV})}$	$\mu^-$ : $L > 5 \text{ m}: < 1$ , $L > 1 \text{ m}: < 10$	$\frac{3}{\sqrt{E}(\text{MeV})}$	$\mu^\pm$ vs $\pi^\pm$ , $e^\pm$ vs $\pi^0$ ; difficult	goal: 2021-	[120-122]
DUNE	LArTPC	Total: 17.5 $\times 4$	$\geq 10$ $\times 4$	1500	$e: 30$ , $p: \lesssim 1-2$ , 21-50	$\leq 1-2$	$e, \mu: 1$ , $\pi^\pm, p, n: 5$	$e: 20 (E < 0.4 \text{ GeV})$ , $10 (E < 1.0 \text{ GeV})$ , $2 + \frac{8}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}} (E > 1.0 \text{ GeV})$ , $p: 10 (E < 1.0 \text{ GeV})$ , $5 + \frac{5}{\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}} (E > 1.0 \text{ GeV})$	good $e, \mu, \pi^\pm, p$ separation	10 kt: 2026- 20 kt: 2027-	[77, 80-84]
SK	Water Cherenkov	Total: 50	22.5	1,000	$e: 5$ , $p: 485$	5 MeV: 95, 10 MeV: 55, 20 MeV: 40	10 MeV: 25, 0.1 GeV: 3, 1.33 GeV: 1.2	10 MeV: 16, 1 GeV: 2.5	$e, \mu$ : good	$\geq 14$ year	[123-125]
HK	Water Cherenkov	Total: 258 $\times 2$	187 $\times 2$	650	$e: < 5$ , $p: 485$	5 MeV: 75, 10 MeV: 45, 15 MeV: 40, 0.5 GeV: 28	similar to SK	better than SK	$e, \mu$ : good, $\pi^0, \pi^\pm$ : mild	goal: 2027-	[85-87]
Neutrino Telescopes	Target	Effective Volume [Mt]	Depth [m]	$E_{th}$ [GeV]	Vertex [m]	Angular [°]	Energy [%]	PID	Run Time	Refs.	
IceCube	Ice	100 GeV: $\sim 30$ , 200 GeV: $\sim 200$	1,450	$\sim 100$	vertical: 5, horizontal: 15	$\mu$ -track: $\sim 1$ , shower: $\sim 30$	100 GeV: 28, 1 TeV: 16	only $\mu$	2011- (2008)	[89, 126]	
DeepCore	Ice	10 GeV: $\sim 5$ , 100 GeV: $\sim 30$	2,100	$\sim 10$	better	$\mu$ -track: $\sim 1$ , shower: $\geq 10$	-	only $\mu$	2011- (2010)	[88, 89]	
IceCube Upgrade	Ice	-	2,150	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	much better	5 GeV: $\sim 20$ , 10 GeV: $\sim 15$	-	only $\mu$	goal: 2023	[127]	
PINGU	Ice	1 GeV: $\geq 1$ , 10 GeV: $\sim 5$	2,100	$\sim 1$	much better	1 GeV: 25, 10 GeV: 10	1 GeV: 55, 10 GeV: 25	only $\mu$	$>$ 2023	[128, 129]	
Gen2	Ice	$\sim 10$ Gt	1,360	$\sim 50$	worse	$\mu$ -track: $< 1$ shower: $\sim 15$	-	only $\mu$	-	[130]	

- ❖ Many existing/upcoming experiments are **potentially capable of testing models conceiving BDM signals.**
- ❖ **Additional physics opportunity on top of the main mission of each experiment.**

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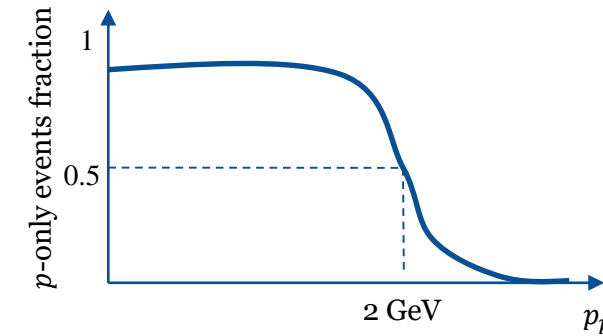
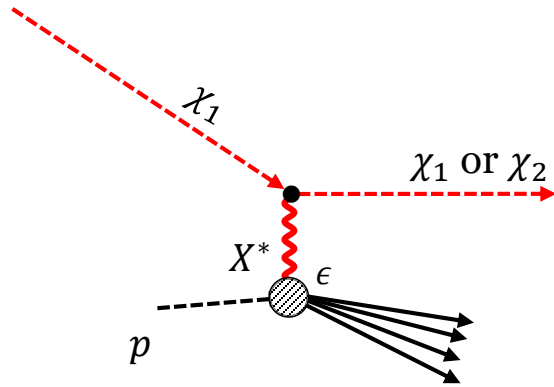
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Detectors are  
**complementary** to  
 one another **rather**  
**than superior** to the  
 other!



# $p$ -Scattering vs. DIS

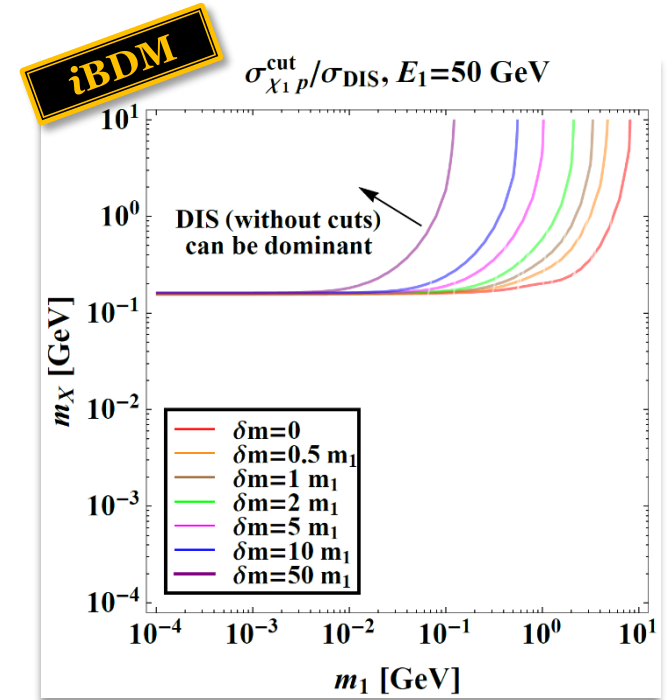
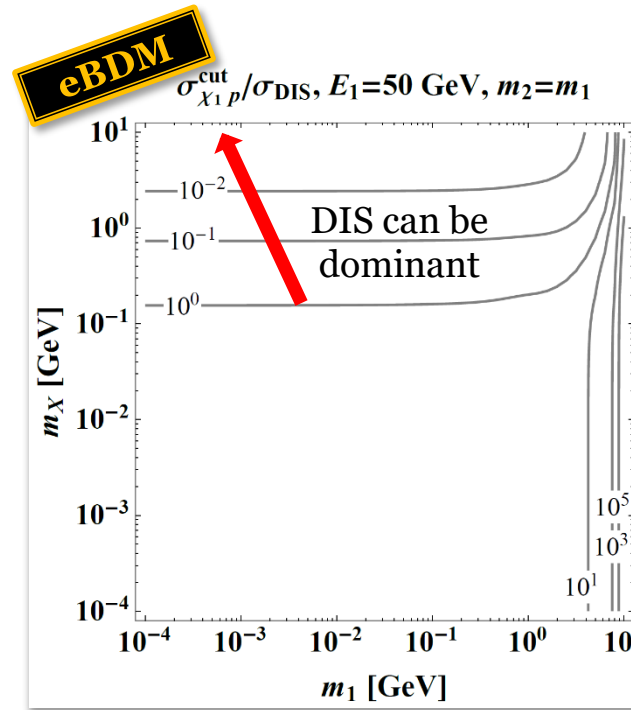
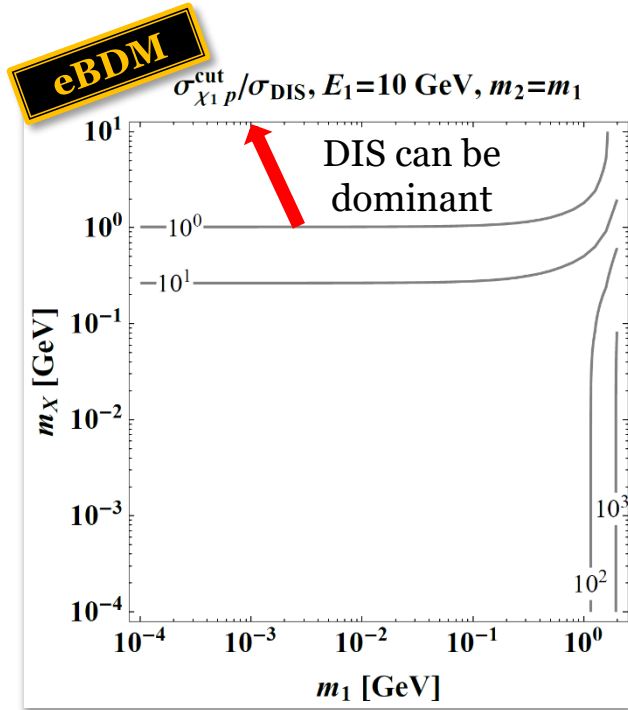
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- ❖ If a momentum transfer is too large, a **proton may break apart**.
- ❖ What is large? → A SK simulation study [Fechner et al, PRD (2009)] showed about 50 % events accompany (at least) a pion or a secondary particle for  $p_p \approx 2$  GeV.
- ❖ We categorize any event with  $p_p < 2$  GeV as the  $p$ -scattering (i.e., simplified step-function-like transition).

# $p$ -Scattering vs. DIS: Numerical Study

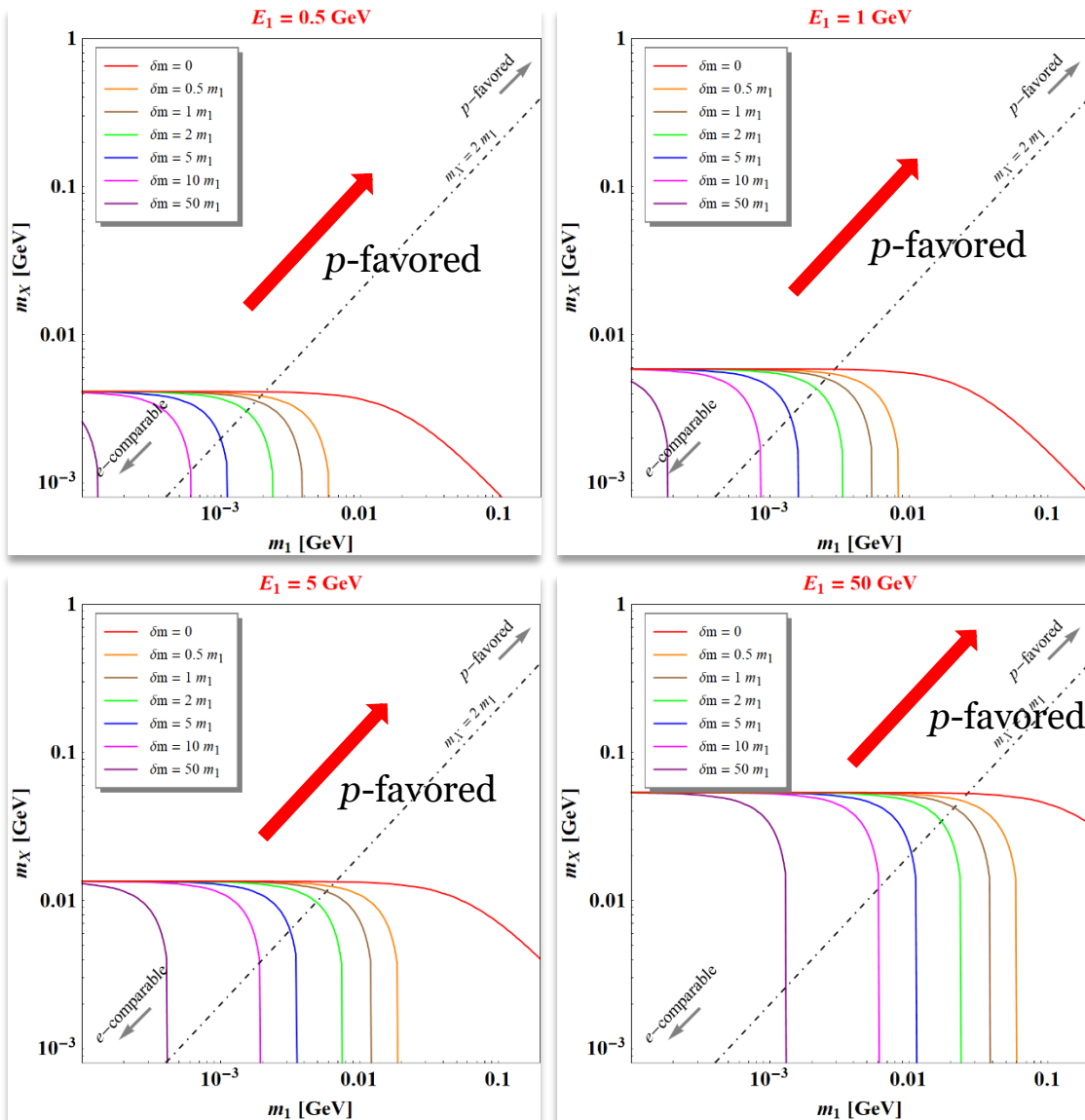
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- ✓ We study  $\sigma_{\chi_1 p}^{\text{cut}}/\sigma_{\text{DIS}}$  where  $200 \text{ MeV} < p_p < 2 \text{ GeV}$  is applied to  $\sigma_{\chi_1 p}$  while no cuts are imposed to  $\sigma_{\text{DIS}}$ .
- ✓  $p$ -scattering dominates over DIS for  $m_X < O(\text{GeV})$  (cf.  $\nu$  scattering via W, Z).
- ✓ As the process becomes more “inelastic”,  $p$ -scattering dominates over DIS for a given  $E_1$ .
- ✓ DIS-preferred region expands in increasing  $E_1$ .

# $p$ -Scattering vs. $e$ -Scattering

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- ✓ If a BDM search hypothesizes a **heavy dark photon** (say, sub-GeV range), the  $p$ -channel may expedite discovery.
- ✓ If a model conceiving iBDM signals allows **for large mass gaps** between  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$ , the  $p$ -channel is more advantageous.
- ✓ The  $e$ -channel becomes comparable in probing the parameter regions **with smaller  $m_1$  and  $m_X$** .
- ✓ As the boosted  $\chi_1$  comes **with more energy**, more parameter space where the  $e$ -channel is comparable opens up.
- ✓ **With cuts**, more  $e$ -channel favored region.