

# A fermionic portal to a non-abelian dark sector

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Ingredients:

- **a new gauge symmetry**
- **a way to break it spontaneously**  $\longrightarrow$  massive gauge boson(s)
- **a residual  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  parity**  $\longrightarrow$  make the lightest  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -odd particle stable

and that would be enough in theory. But we'd like to detect it . . .

- **a portal with the SM**

# Which kind of gauge group?

## Abelian

- A  $U(1)_D$  group:  $\mathcal{L} = V_{D\mu\nu} V_D^{\mu\nu}$

A problem:

Abelian  $\rightarrow$  kinetic mixing  $\rightarrow$  not stable

Solution:

- Sequester  $U(1)_D \rightarrow$  an exact  $\mathbb{Z}_2$

$$V_D^\mu \rightarrow -V_D^\mu \quad (\text{Charge conjugation})$$

$V_D$  is stable, now make it massive:

- SSB  $\rightarrow$  complex singlet  $S$  ( $S \xrightarrow{\mathbb{Z}_2} S^*$ )

$$\mathcal{L} = |D_\mu S|^2 + \mu_S^2 |S|^2 - \lambda_S |S|^4$$

$$m_{V_D} = \sqrt{2} g_D v_D$$

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Need to interact with the SM:

- Higgs portal  $\rightarrow V(\Phi_H, S) = \lambda |\Phi_H|^2 |S|^2$

**Widely studied**

Lebedev, Lee & Mambrini 1111.4482,  
Farzan & Akbarieh 1207.4272,  
Baek, Ko, Park & Senaha 1212.2131, ...



## Non-abelian

- Various possible gauge groups

$$\mathcal{L} = V_{D\mu\nu}^a V_D^{\mu\nu a}$$

- No renormalizable kinetic mixing

Limiting to  $SU(N)$ :

- complete SSB with  $N - 1$  complex scalars  $\rightarrow$  preserved  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}'_2$  symmetries

Gross et al 1505.07480

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- Still can have Higgs portal

$$V(\Phi_H, S_{i,j}, \dots) = \sum_{i,j} \lambda_{ij} |\Phi_H|^2 S_i^\dagger S_j + h.c.$$

**Also widely studied**

Hambye 0811.0172, Diaz-Cruz & Ma 1007.2631,  
Fraser, Ma & Zakeri 1409.1162, Ko & Tang 1609.02307, ...

**Minimal vector DM scenario  
where the Higgs portal can be small or absent\*?**

**Non-abelian with fermion portal**

\* No *need* to avoid Higgs portal, but new fermions can address current anomalies

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Different member of  $SU(2)_D$  multiplets  
transform differently under  $\mathbb{Z}_2$   
(we'll get back to this)

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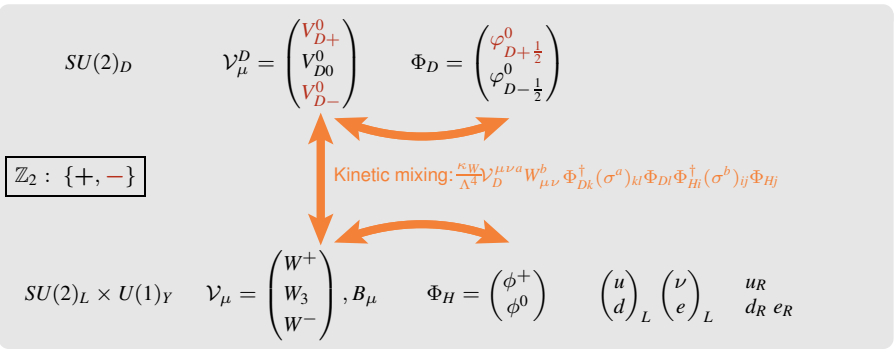
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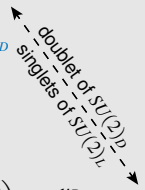
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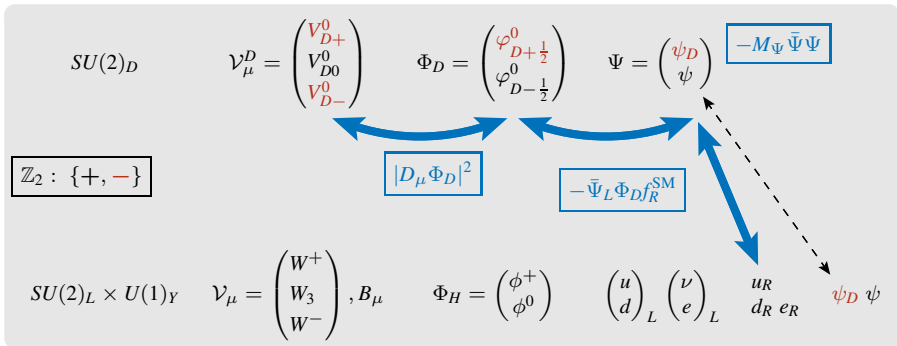
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Reminder: what is the origin of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ ?

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When  $y' \neq 0$  Explicit breaking:  $SU(2)'_D \rightarrow U(1)_c$

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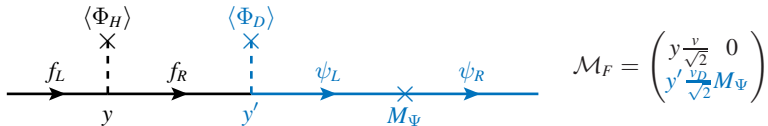
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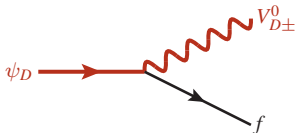
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$\mathbb{Z}_2$ -odd  $\psi_D$  is DM-SM mediator

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The hierarchy between mass eigenstates is always  $m_f < m_\psi \leq m_F$

**The portal can be with any SM fermion(s) and with any number of VL fermions**  
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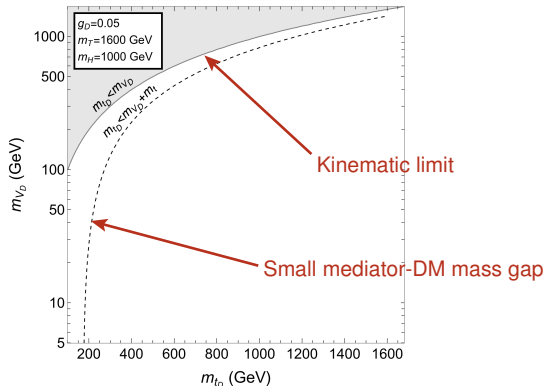
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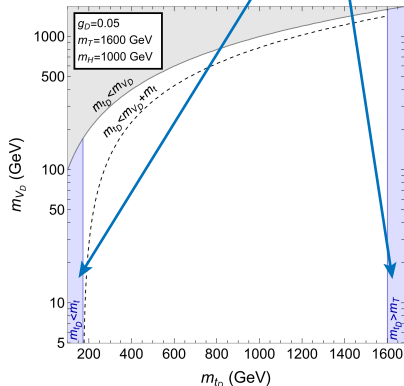
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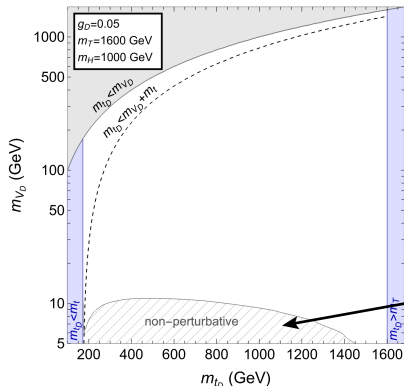
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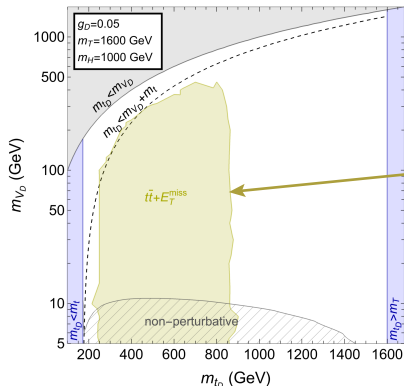
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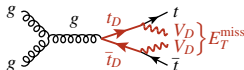
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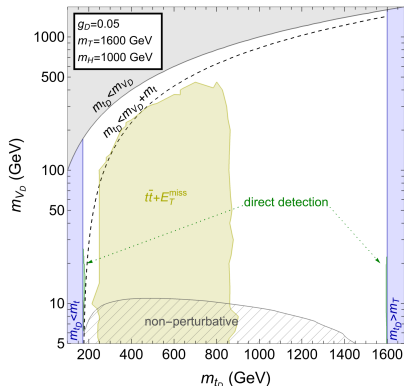
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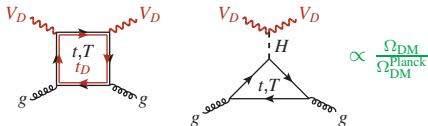
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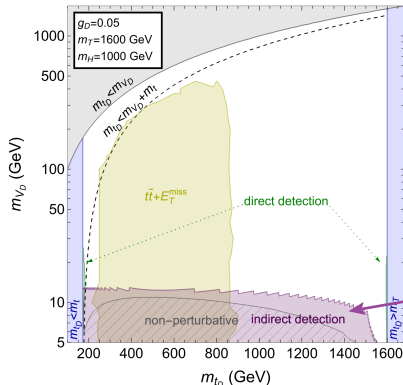
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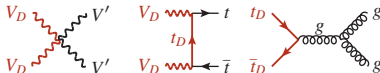


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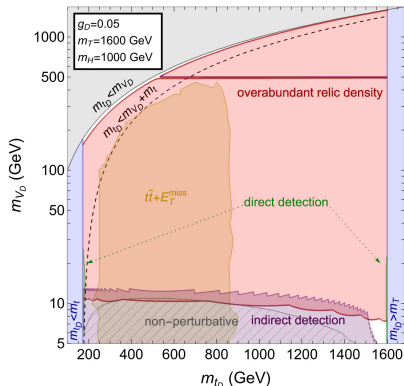
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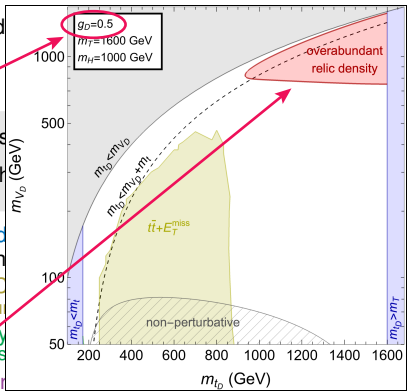
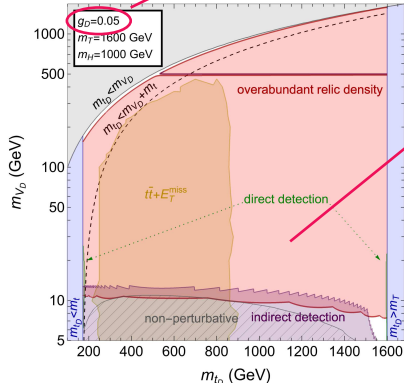
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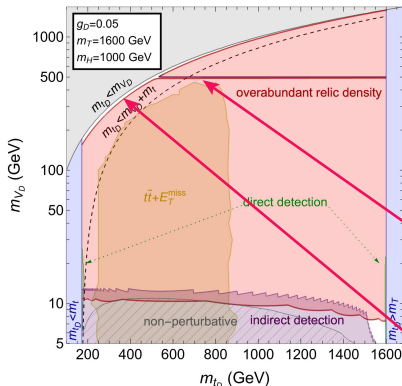
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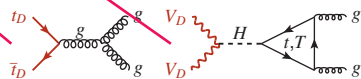
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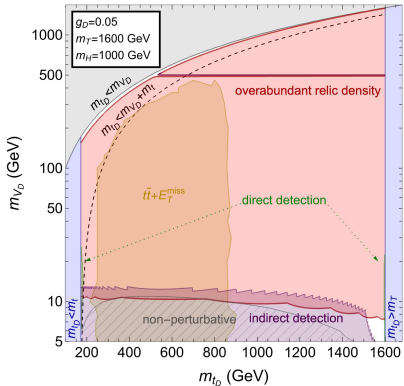
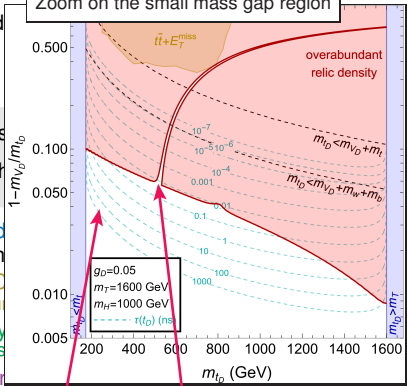
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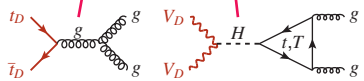
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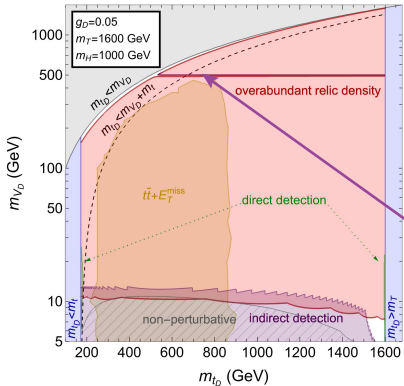
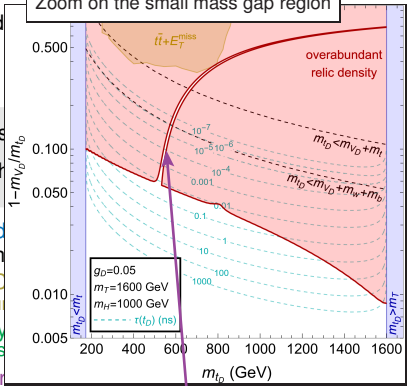
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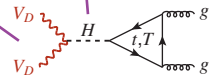
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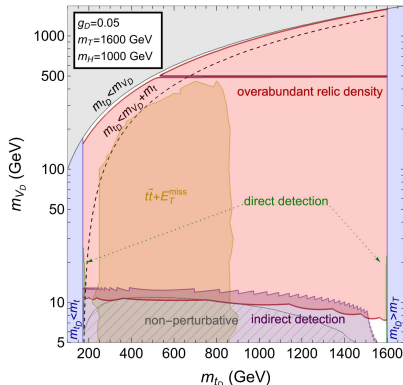


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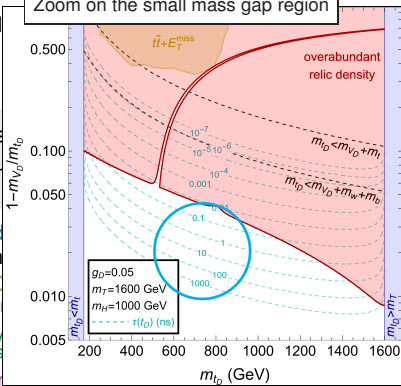
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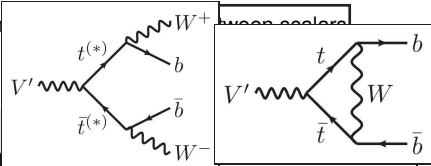
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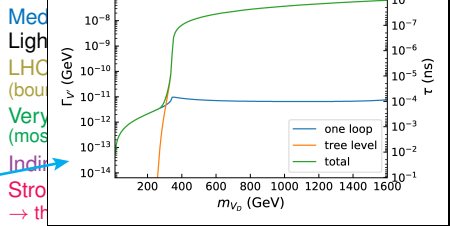
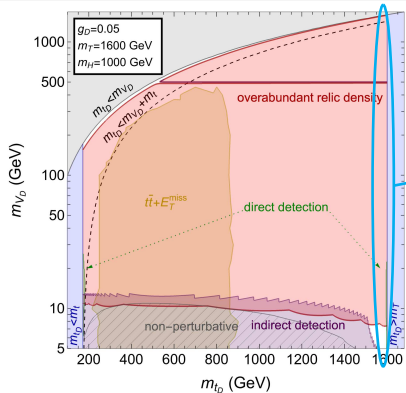
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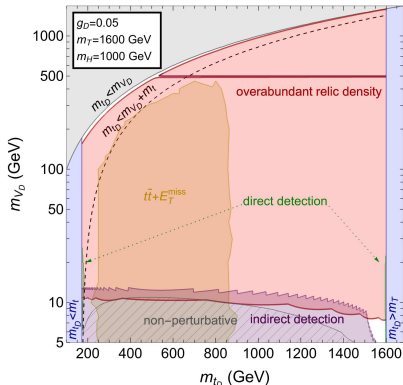
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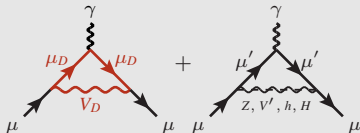
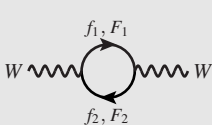
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- Different possible **origins of the  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  parity** with interesting phenomenological developments

## Outlook

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- Effects on **vacuum stability, EWPT...**
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