



# SIMP paradigm and hidden gauge theories

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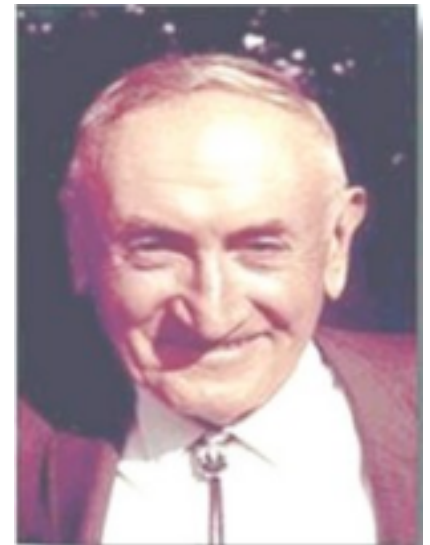
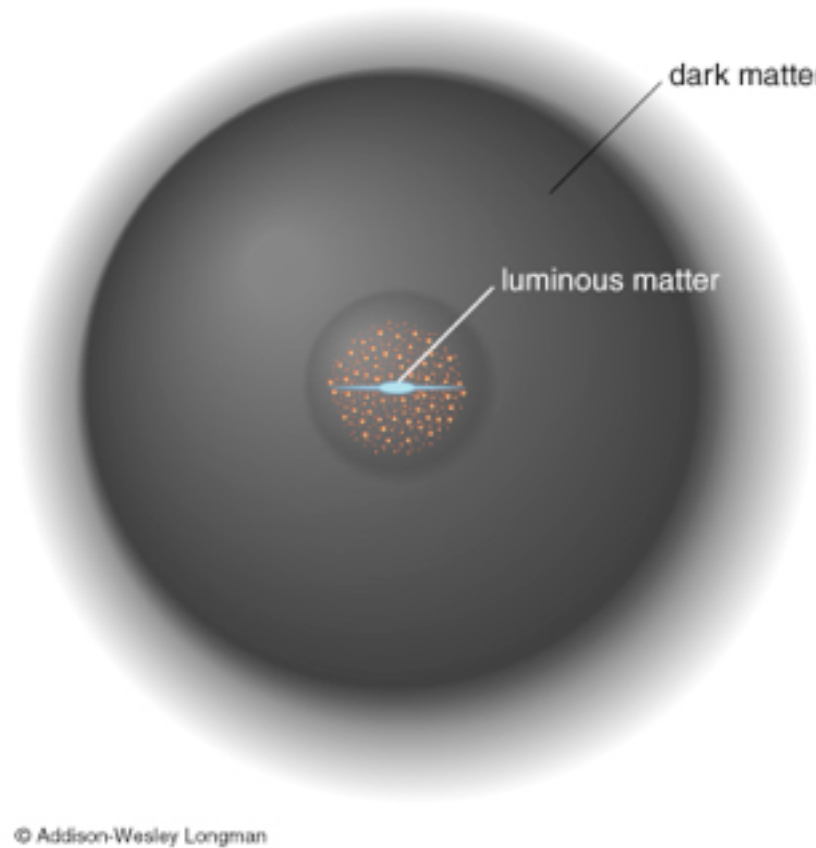
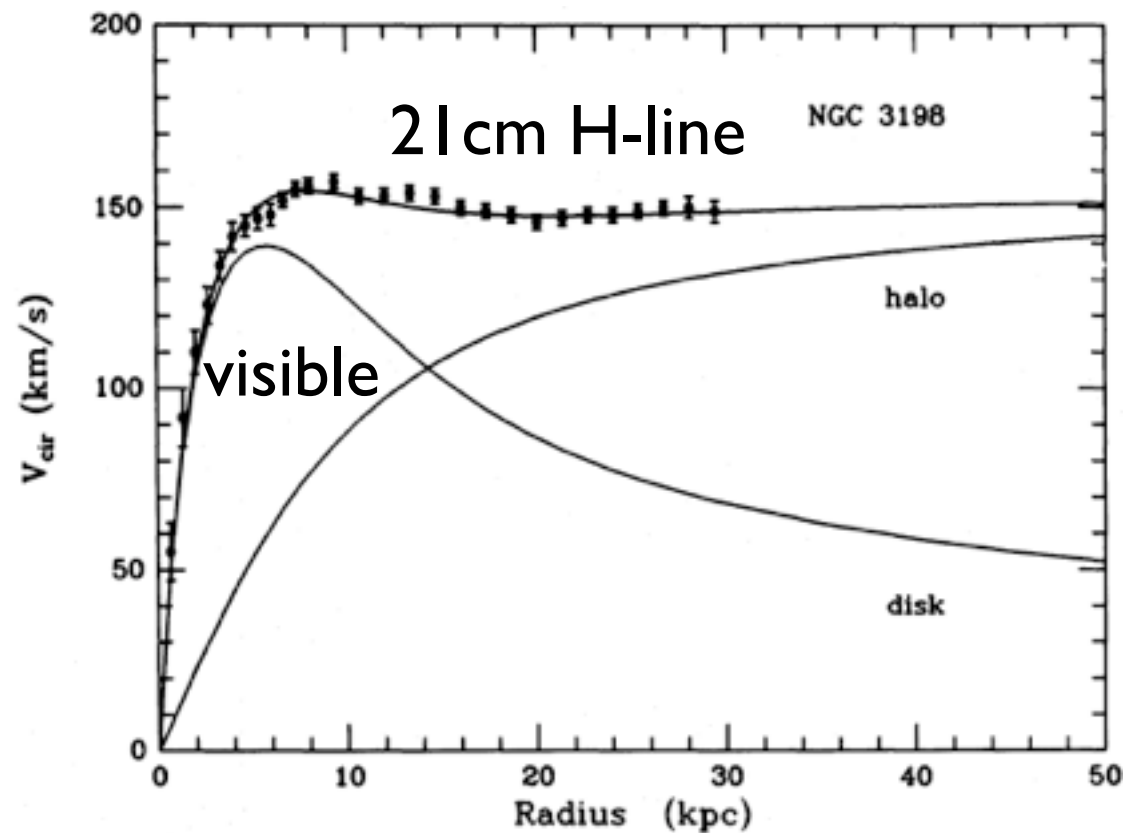
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# Outline

- SIMP paradigm
- SIMP DM from hidden QCD
- SIMP DM from  $Z_3$  symmetry
- Conclusions

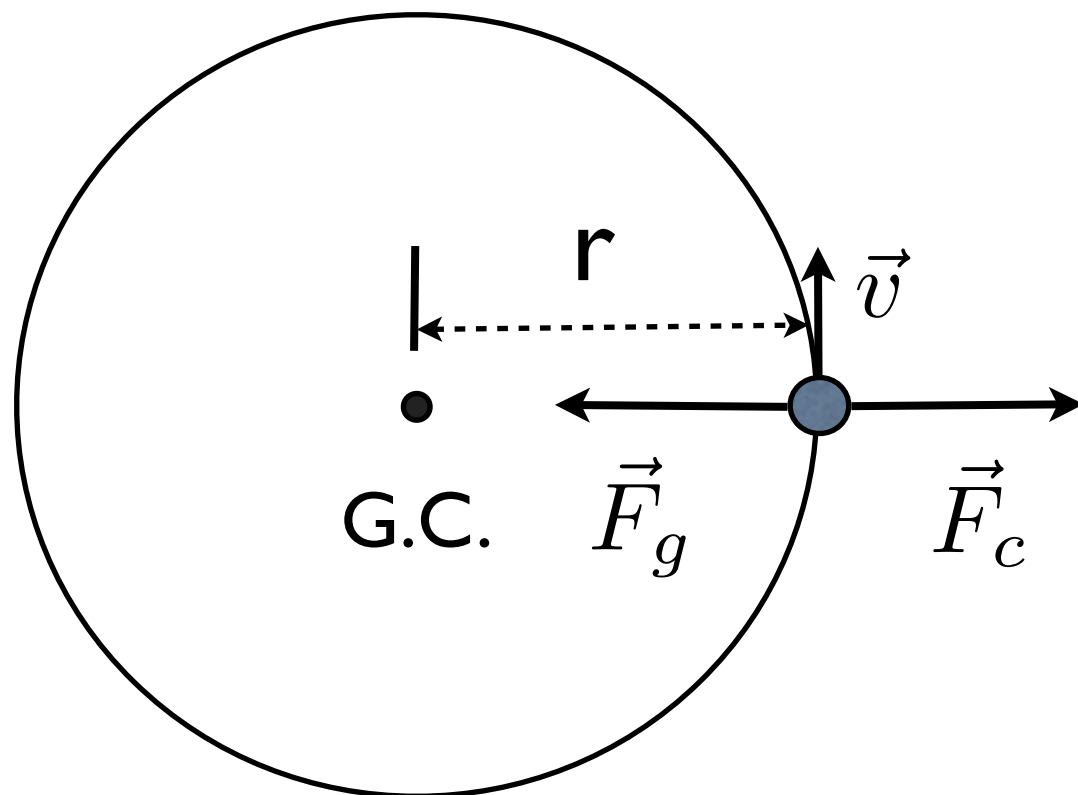
# SIMP paradigm

# Galaxy rotation curves



F. Zwicky (1933)

gravity = centrifugal force

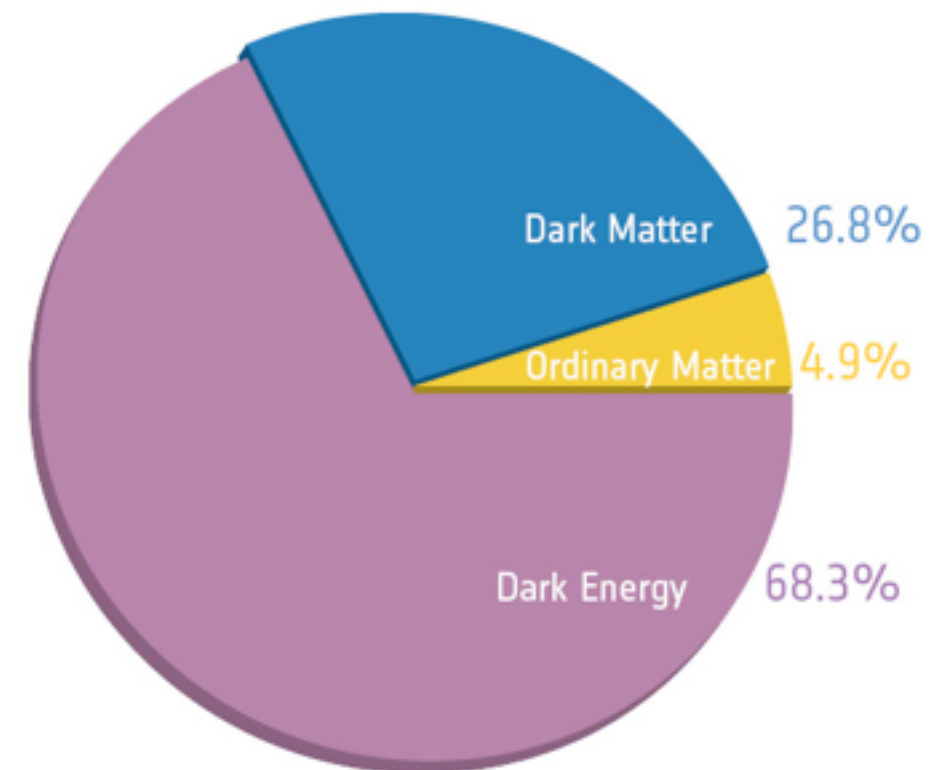
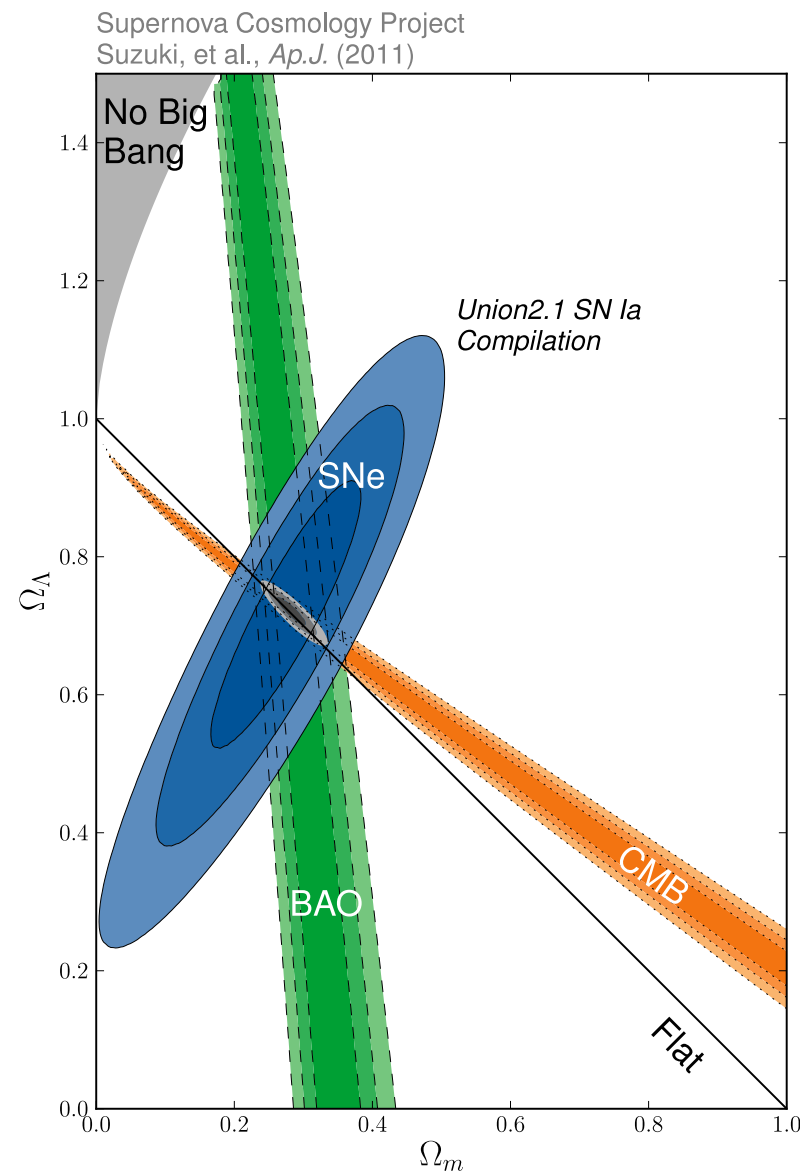


$$v = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}}$$

➔  $M \propto r$  or  $\rho(r) \propto \frac{1}{r^2}$

**Dark Matter halo**

# Dark matter abundance

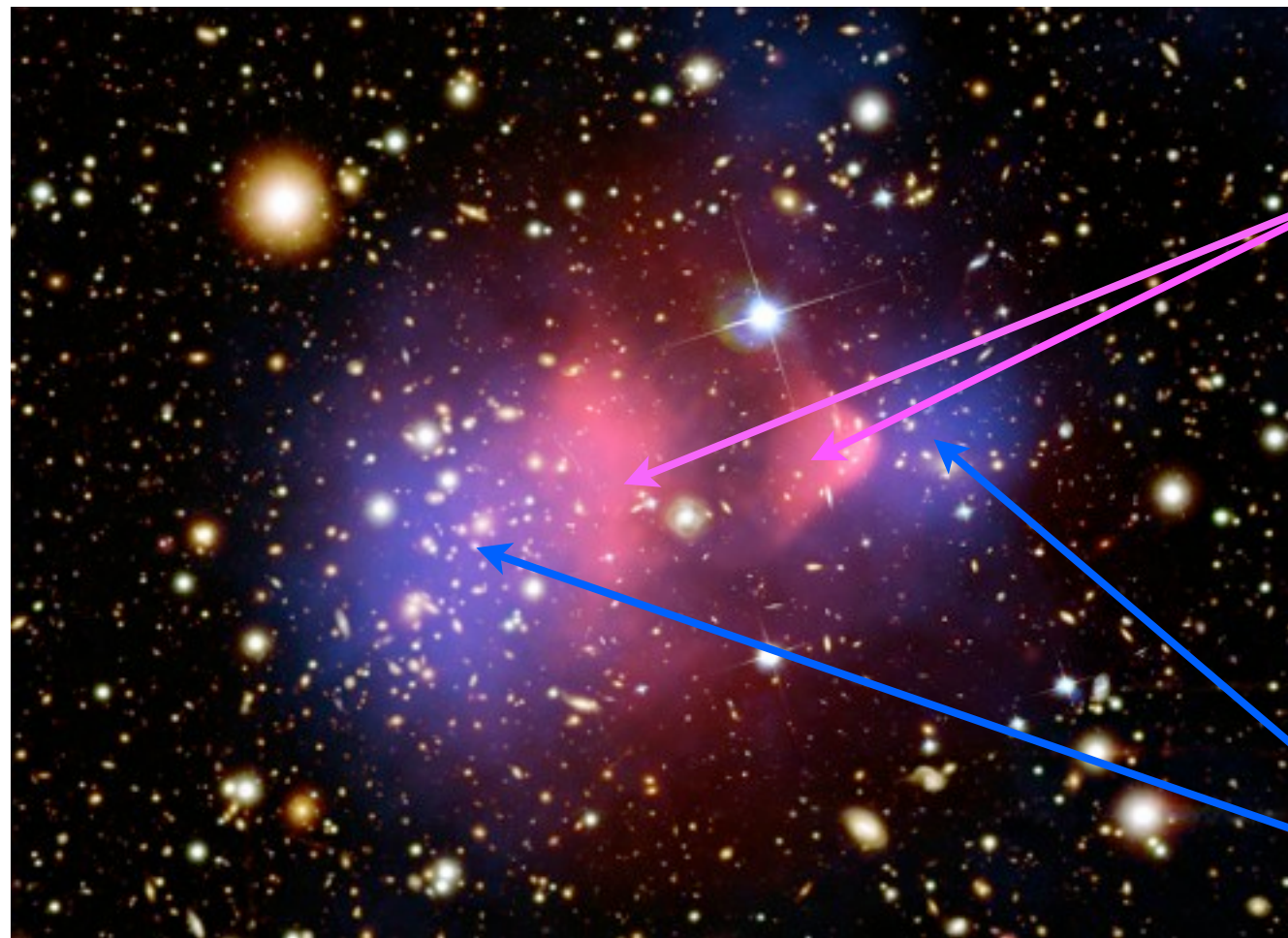


[Planck 2015]

- Cosmic Microwave Background + Supernovae + BAO(SDSS-Large scale structure).

Visible matter ~ just 15% of Universe's matter.

# Colliding clusters



[Chandra X-ray (2006)]

Hot gas(X-ray)

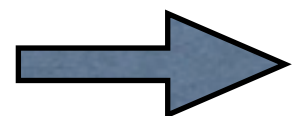
(gets slow during collision)

DM(gravitational  
lensing), stars (visible)

(unaltered during collision)

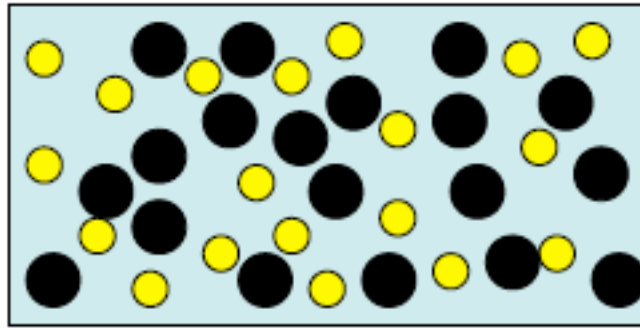
Bullet cluster

center of total mass  $\neq$  center of baryonic mass

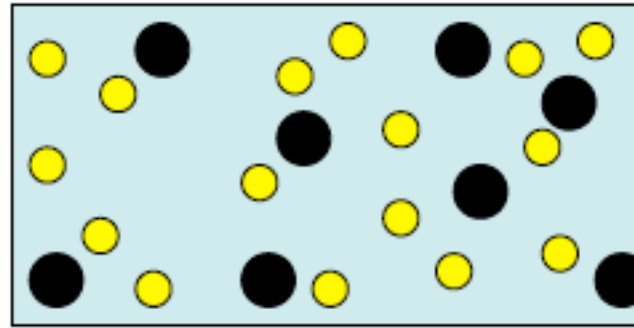


Bound on self-interaction:  $\sigma_{\text{self}}/m_{\chi} \lesssim 1\text{cm}^2/\text{g}$

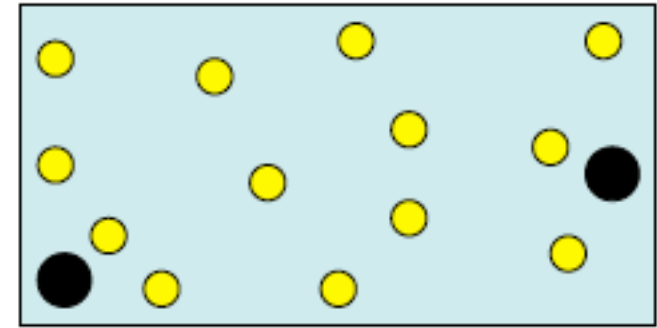
# Thermal dark matter



$T \gg M$

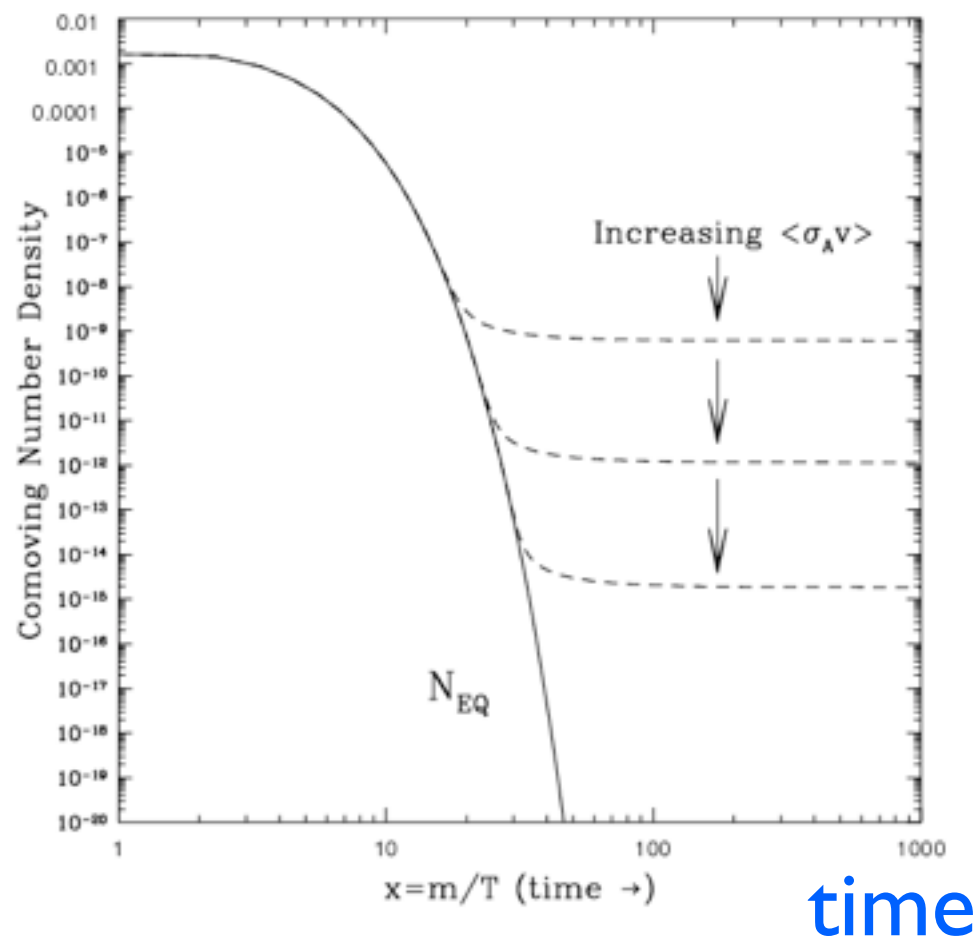


$T \approx M$



$T \ll M$

DM number



[Lee, Weinberg(1977)]

Equilibrium:  $\chi\chi \leftrightarrow \text{SM SM}$

Decoupling: “Freeze-out”

$$t = H^{-1} < t_{\text{int}} = (n_{\text{DM}} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{ann}})^{-1}$$

expansion time

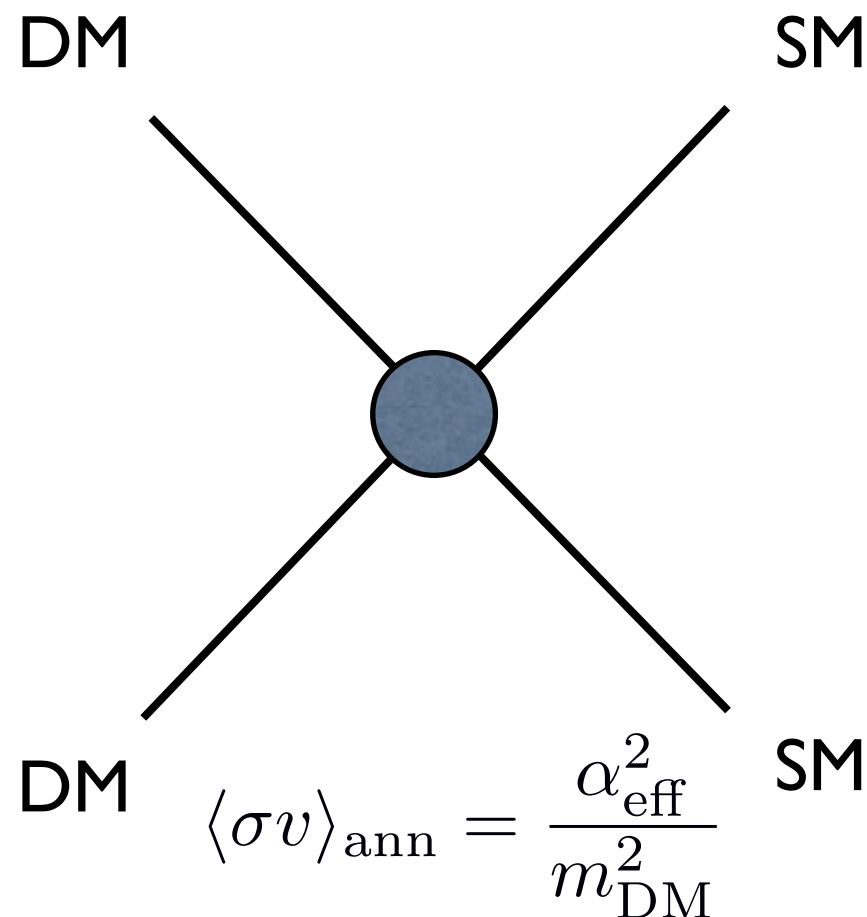
interaction time

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_{\text{DM}} = 0.3 \left( \frac{3 \times 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3/\text{s}}{\langle \sigma v_A \rangle} \right)$$



# WIMP paradigm

- WIMP DM density depends on  $2 \rightarrow 2$  annihilation processes with weak interactions.



WIMP freeze-out:

$$\Gamma_{\text{ann}} = n_{\text{DM}} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{ann}} \sim H = 0.33 g_*^{1/2} \frac{T_F^2}{M_P}$$

$$\rho_{\text{DM}} = 5.4 m_p \eta_p s, \quad T_{\text{eq}} = 10 m_p \eta_p;$$

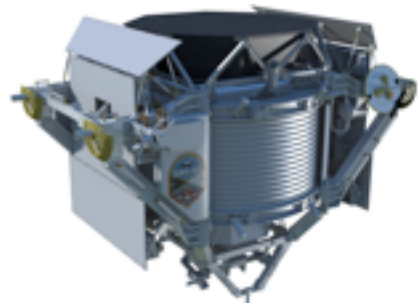
$$n_{\text{DM}} = \frac{\kappa T_{\text{eq}} T_F^3}{m_{\text{DM}}}, \quad \kappa \simeq 0.54 \cdot \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_{*s} \simeq 10.8.$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{\text{DM}} = \alpha_{\text{eff}} \left( \frac{5.35 \kappa}{x_F g_*^{1/2}} T_{\text{eq}} M_P \right)^{1/2}$$

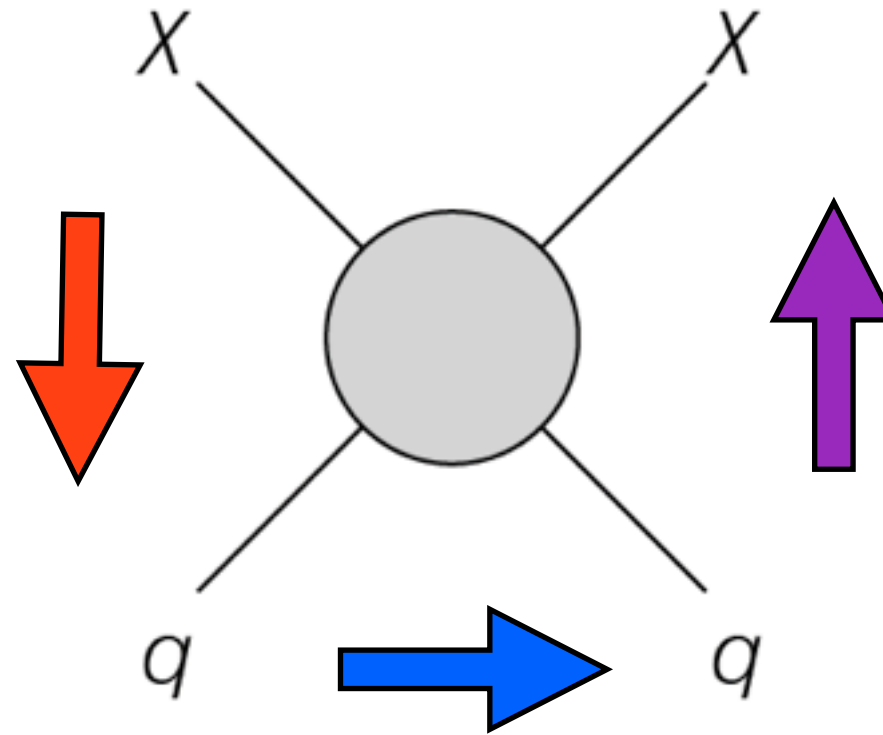
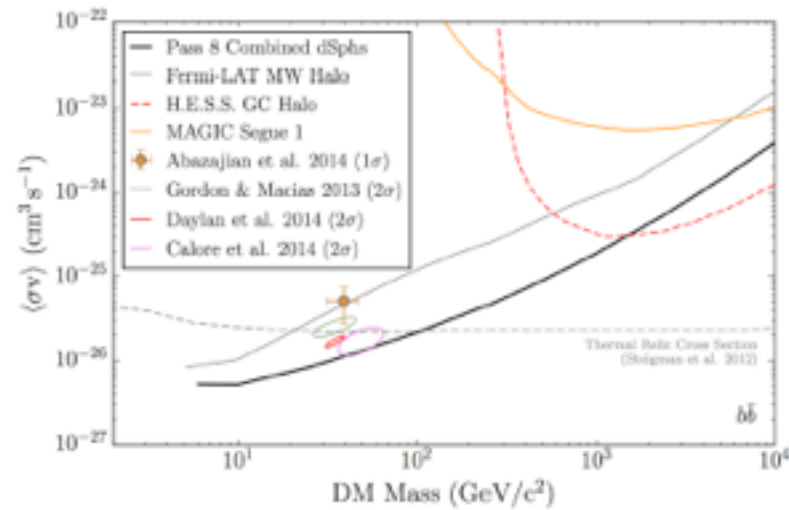
$$\alpha_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_{\text{DM}} \sim 100 \text{ GeV.}$$



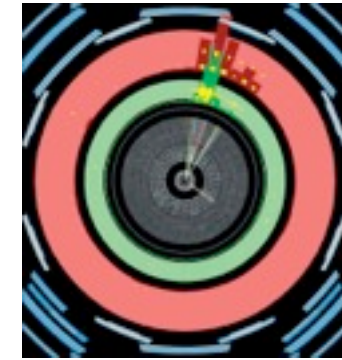
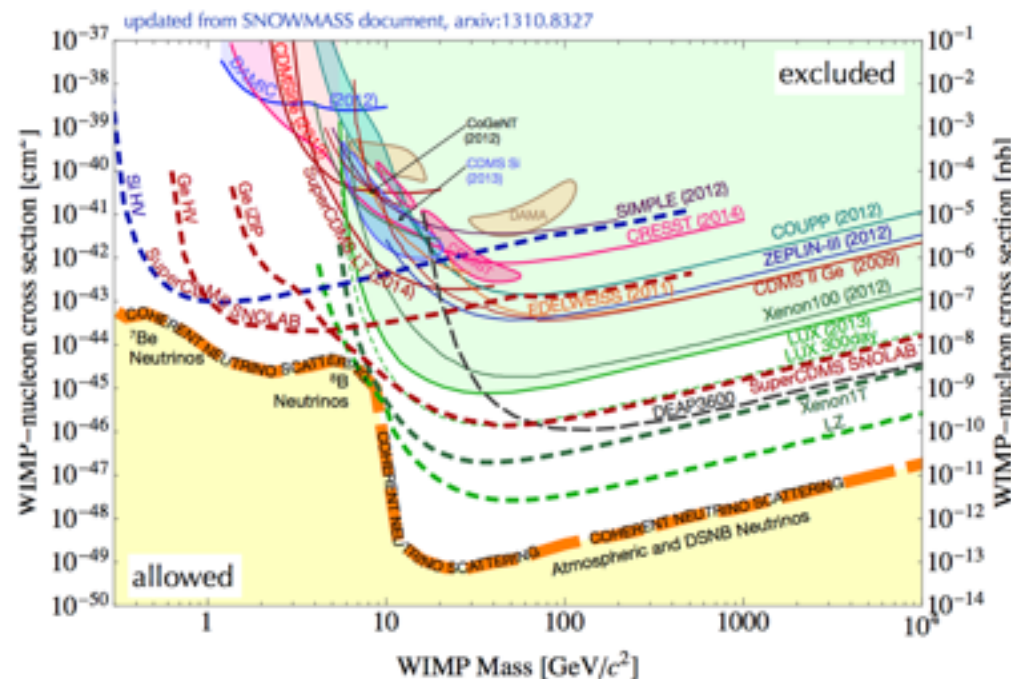
# Testing WIMP



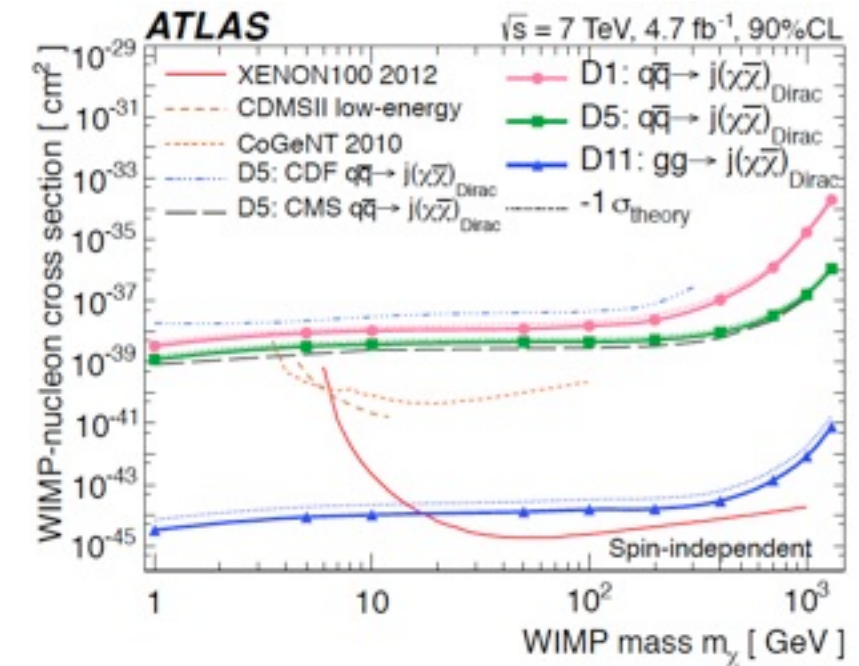
Indirect detection



Direct detection



Particle colliders



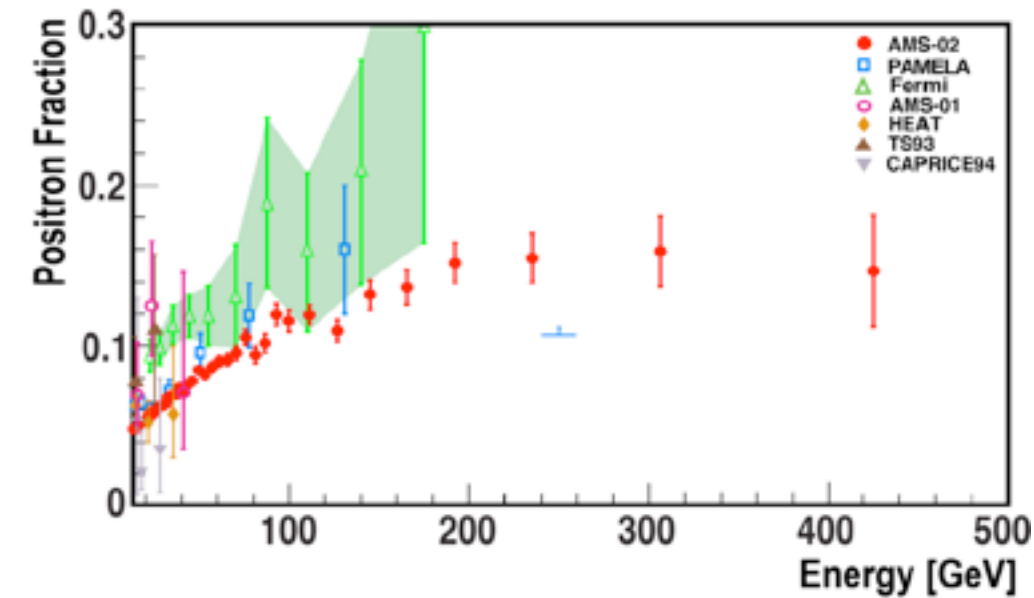
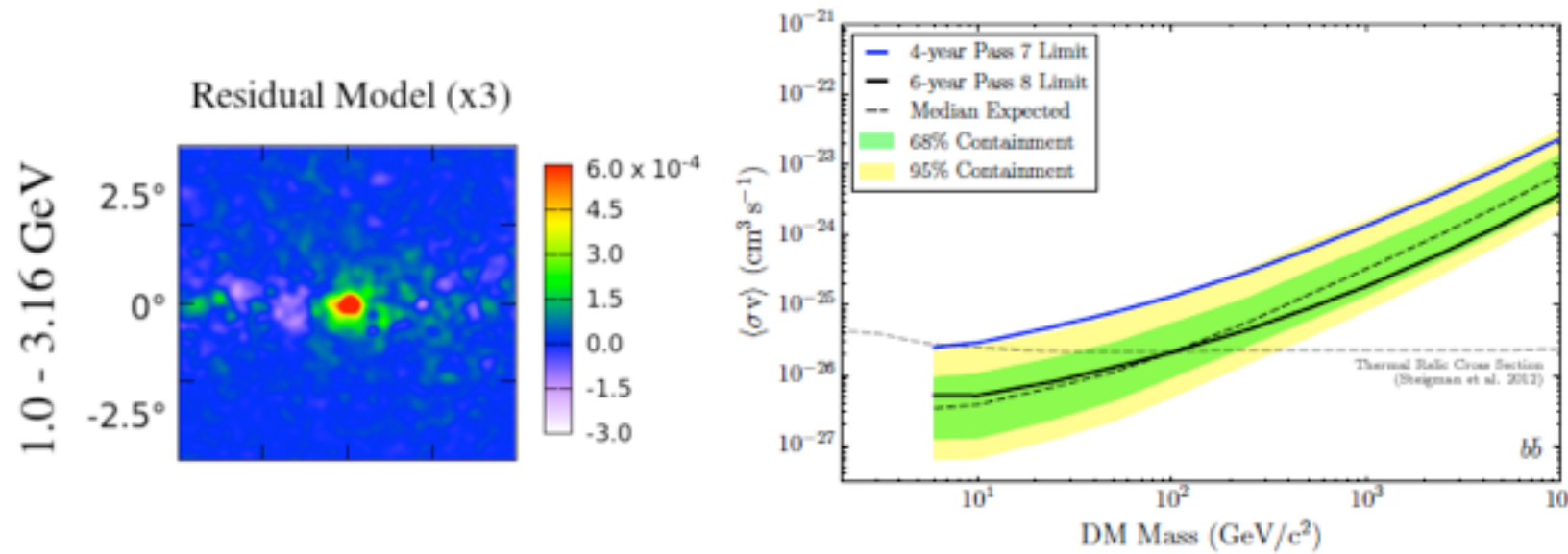
# Limits or excesses?



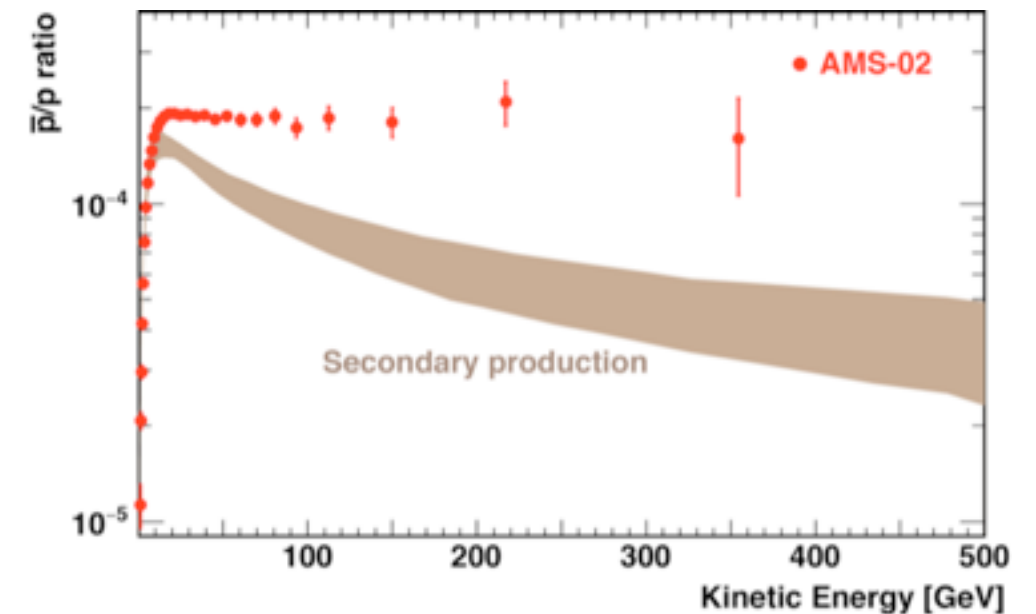
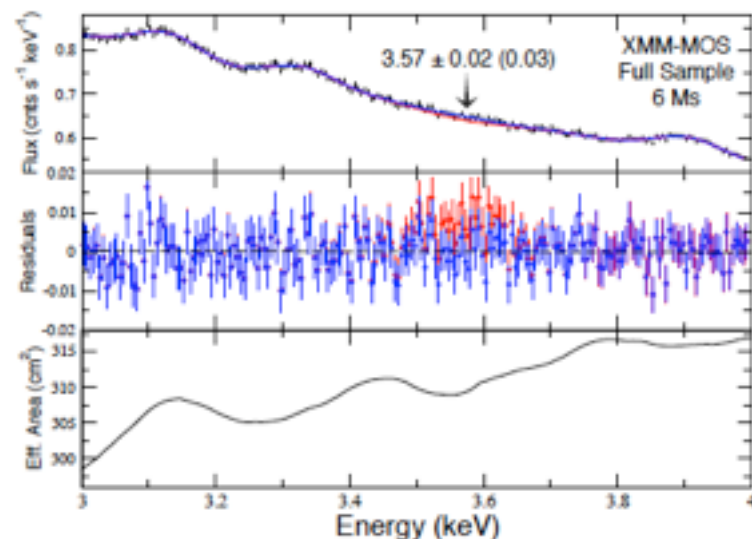
Fermi-LAT:  $\gamma$ -ray  
(G.C., dwarf galaxies)



AMS-02:  $e^+$ ,  $\bar{p}$

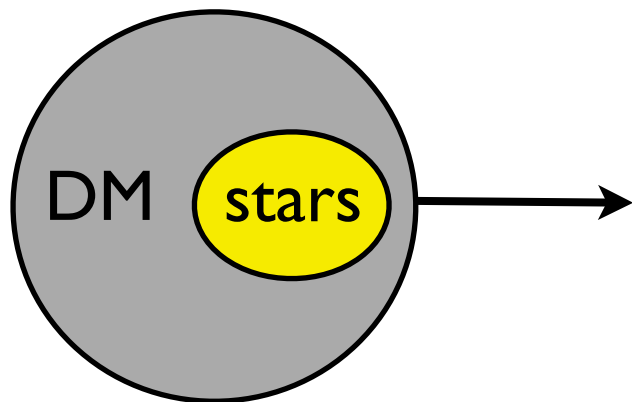


XMM-Newton: X-ray  
(galaxy clusters)



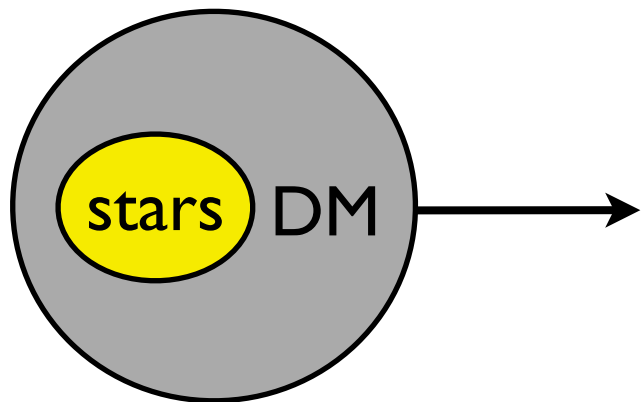
# DM self-interactions

- DM self-interactions could induce a separation of DM subhalo from bounded stars.



Long-range forces: “drag force”

➡ DM subhalo behind stars



Contact interactions: large momentum transfer

➡ Stars behind DM subhalo

Bullet cluster: no separation of DM subhalo

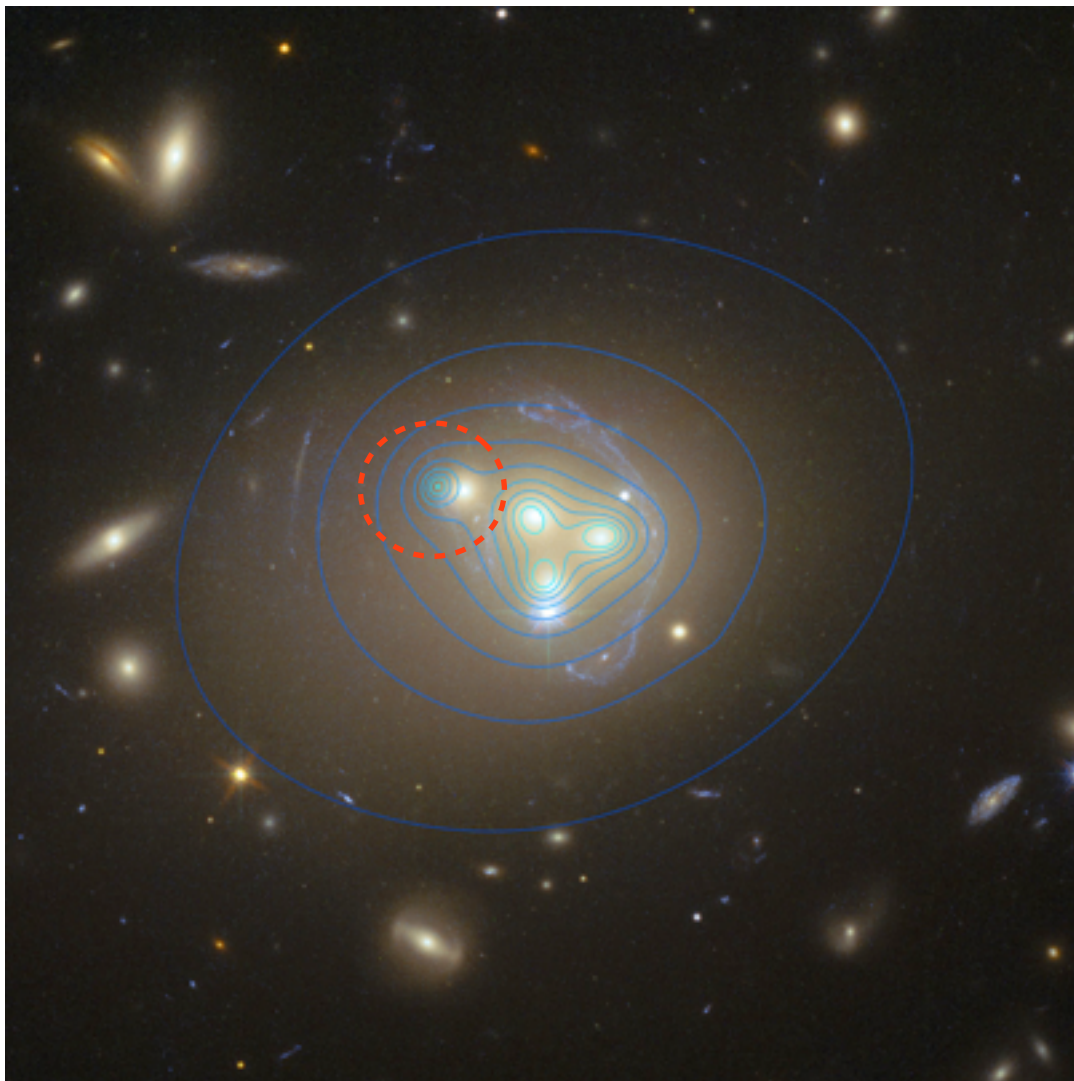
➡  $\sigma_{\text{self}}/m_{\text{DM}} < 1\text{cm}^2/g$  (about neutron cross section)

**WIMP DM:**  $\sigma_{\text{self}}/m_{\text{WIMP}} \sim 10^{-11}\text{GeV}^{-3} \sim 10^{-14}\text{cm}^2/g$ .



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- For four colliding galaxies (not clusters) observed by Hubble Telescope, one of subhalo lags behind the galaxy.

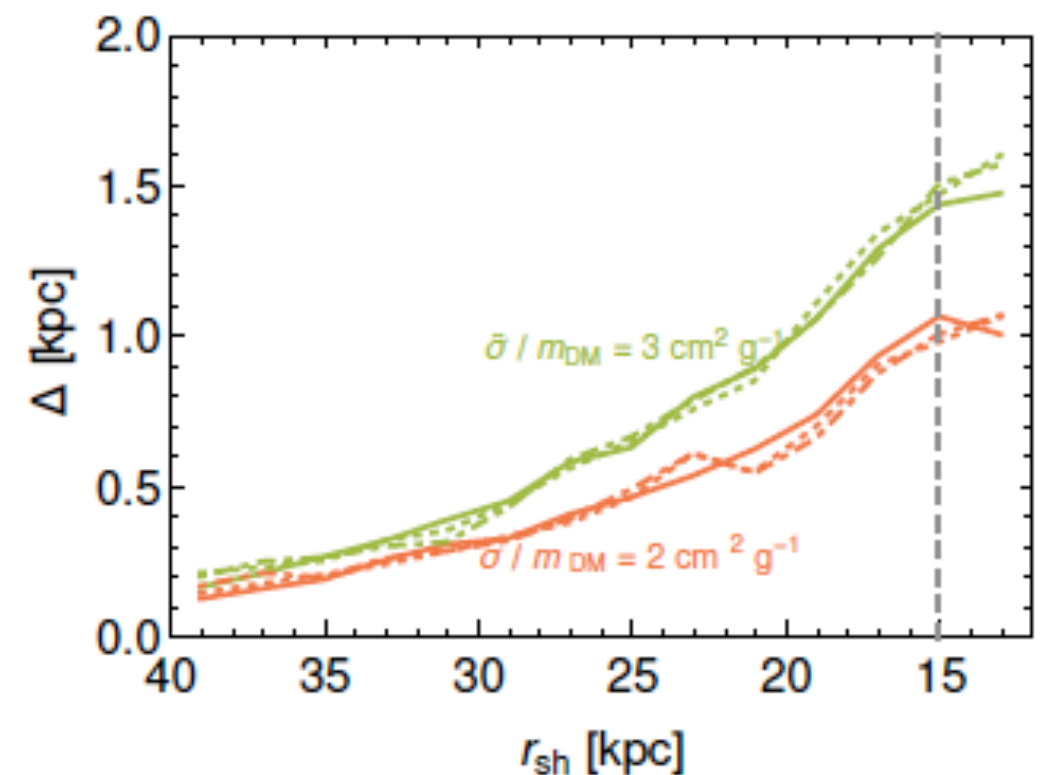


Required DM self-interaction  
in tension with Buller cluster.

DM subhalo separation:

$$\Delta = 1.62^{+0.47}_{-0.49} \text{ kpc}$$

[Massey et al(2015)]

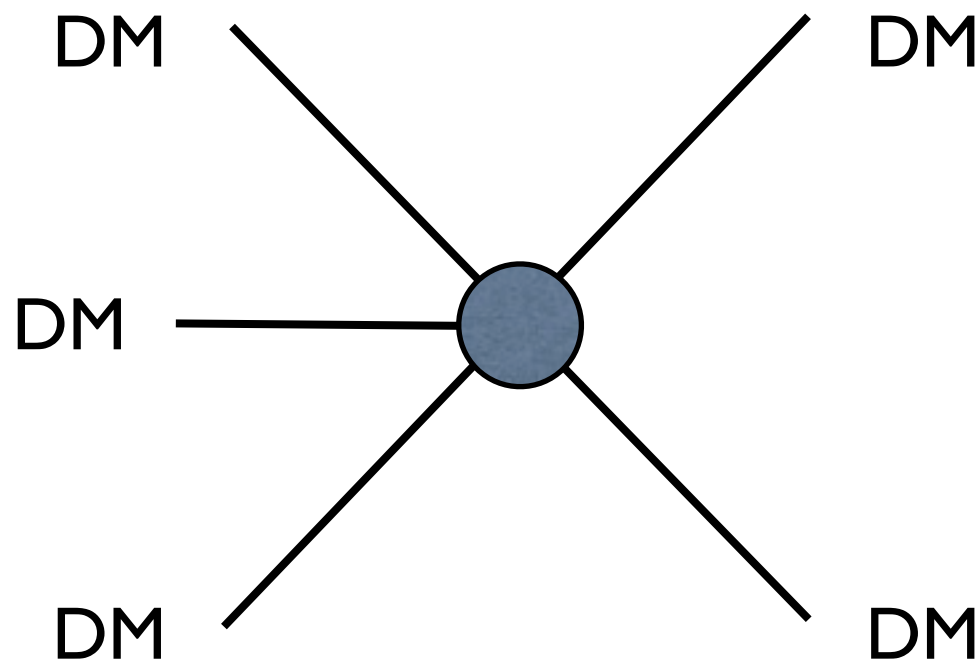


[Kahlhoefer et al (2015)]

# SIMP paradigm

- Strong Interacting Massive Particle is a thermal DM, changing its number due to  $3 \rightarrow 2$  self-annihilation.

[Hochberg et al, 2014]



Freeze-out:

$$\Gamma_{3 \rightarrow 2} = n_{\text{DM}}^2 \langle \sigma v^2 \rangle_{3 \rightarrow 2} \sim H(T_F)$$

$$\langle \sigma v^2 \rangle_{3 \rightarrow 2} = \frac{\alpha_{\text{eff}}^3}{m_{\text{DM}}^5}$$

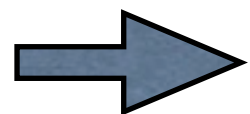
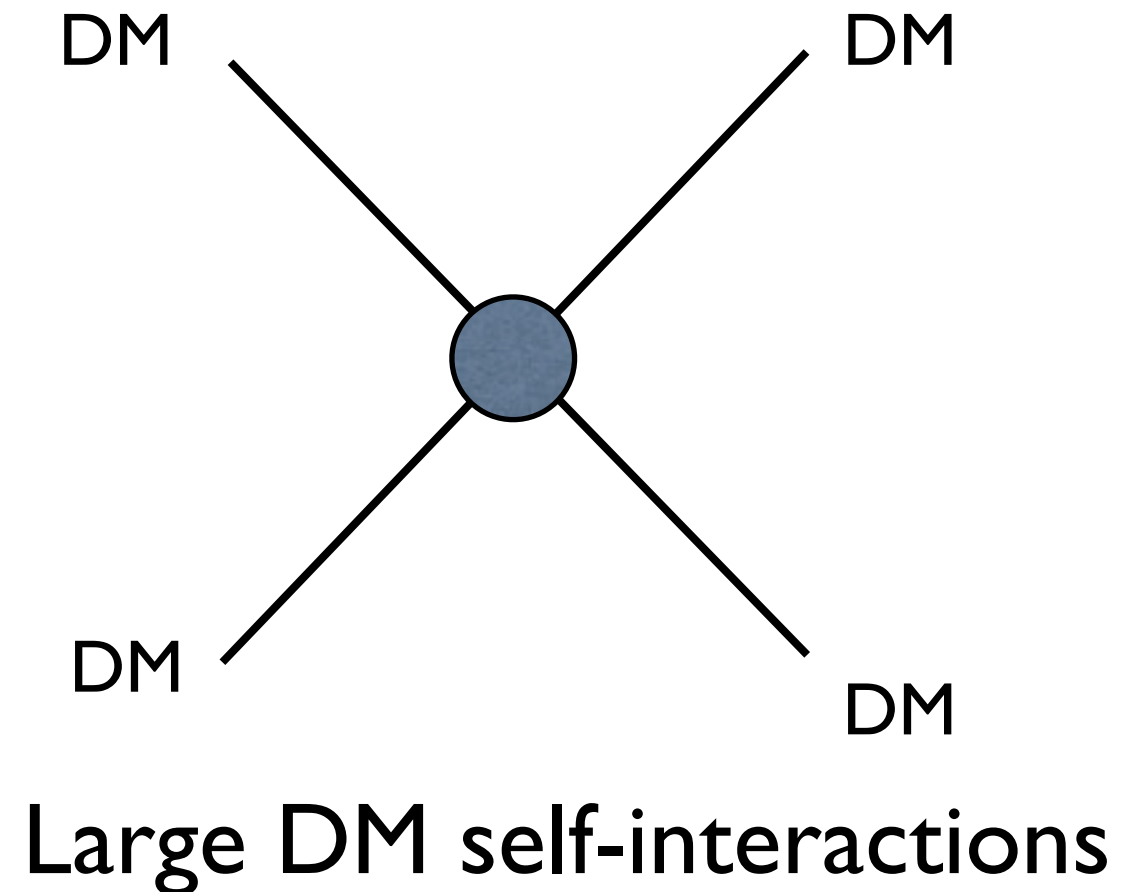
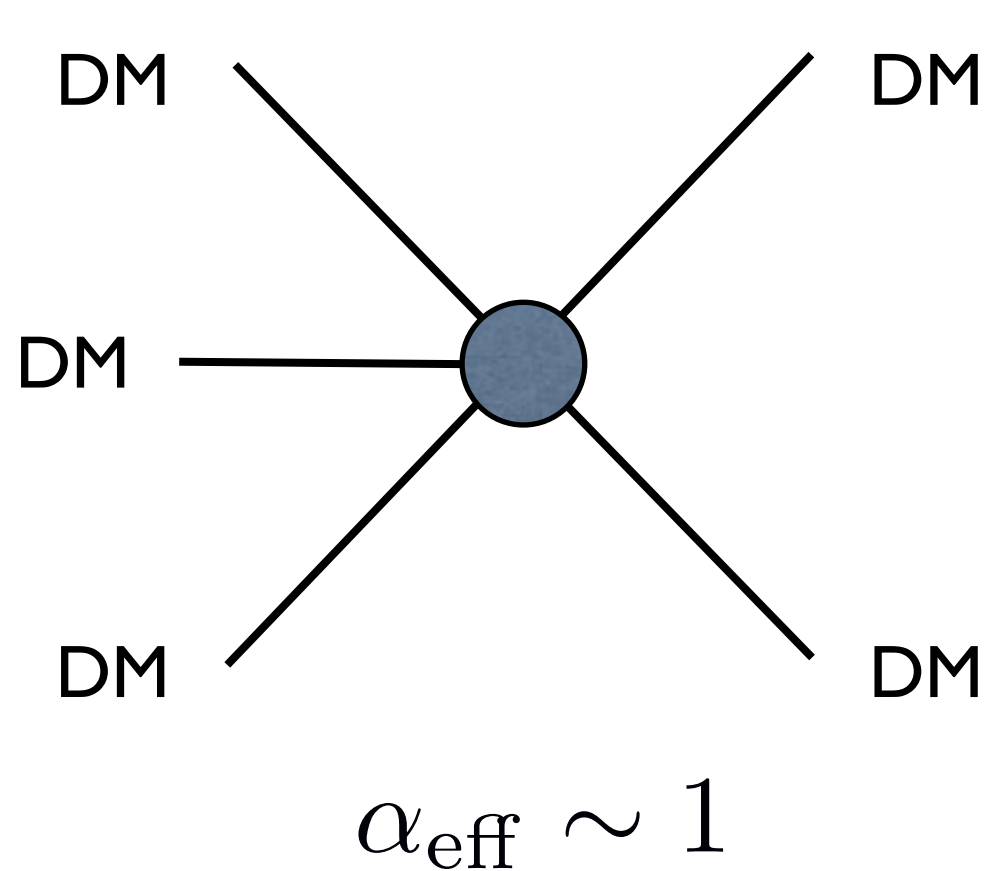
$$\Rightarrow m_{\text{DM}} = \alpha_{\text{eff}} \left( \frac{5.35 \kappa^2}{x_F^4 g_*^{1/2}} T_{\text{eq}}^2 M_P \right)^{1/3} \quad \text{or} \quad \Omega_{\text{DM}} = 0.3 \left( \frac{3 \times 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3/\text{s}}{n_{\text{DM}} \langle \sigma v^2 \rangle} \right)$$

( $\kappa \simeq 2.55$ )

$$\alpha_{\text{eff}} = 1 - 30 \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_{\text{DM}} \sim 10 \text{MeV} - 1 \text{GeV}$$

# DM self-interaction

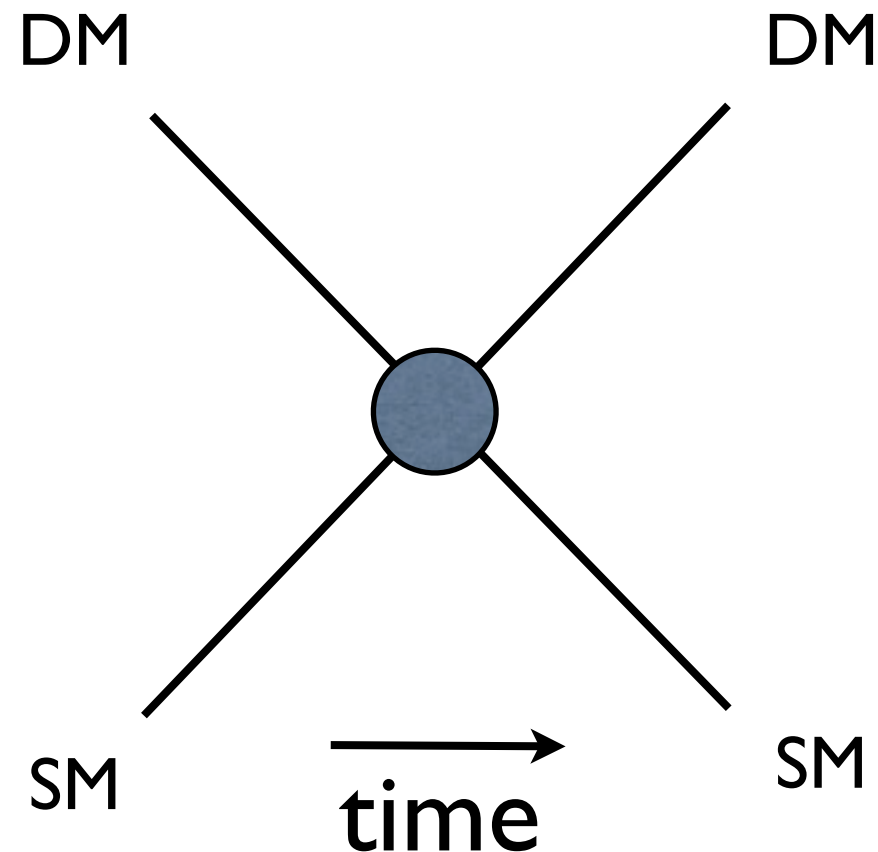
- SIMP DM predicts large DM self-interactions.



Constrained by Bullet cluster and  
spherical halo shapes.

# SIMP in kinetic equilibrium

- Kinetic equilibrium of SIMP needs a SM coupling.



$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{kin}} = \frac{\epsilon_1^2}{m_{\text{DM}}^2};$$

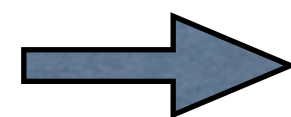
$$n_{\text{SM}} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{kin}} > H(T_F)$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_1 \gtrsim 0.9 \times 10^{-9} \alpha_{\text{eff}}^{1/2}$$

- But,  $2 \rightarrow 2$  DM annihilation is subdominant only if

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{ann}} = \frac{\epsilon_2^2}{m_{\text{DM}}^2};$$

$$n_{\text{SM}} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{kin}} < n_{\text{DM}} \langle \sigma v^2 \rangle_{3 \rightarrow 2}$$



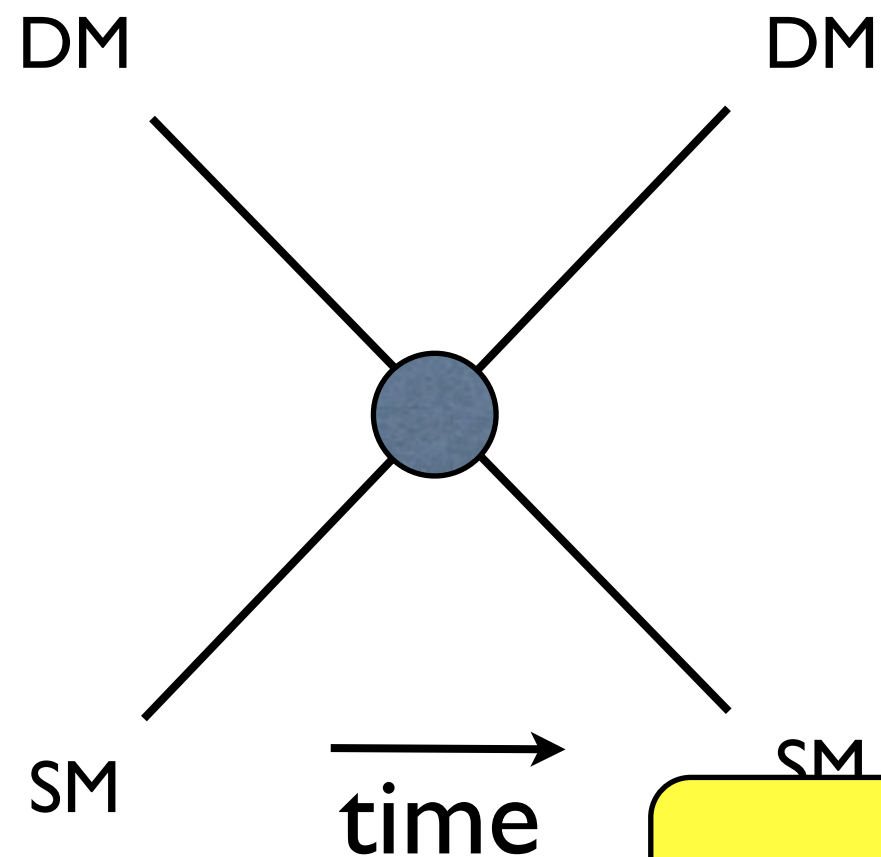
$$\epsilon_1 \lesssim 2.4 \times 10^{-6} \alpha_{\text{eff}}$$

$$\epsilon_2 \sim \epsilon_1$$



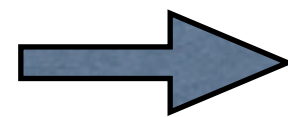
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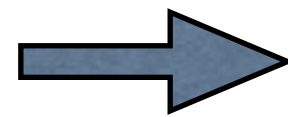
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**SIMP conditions**

ant only if

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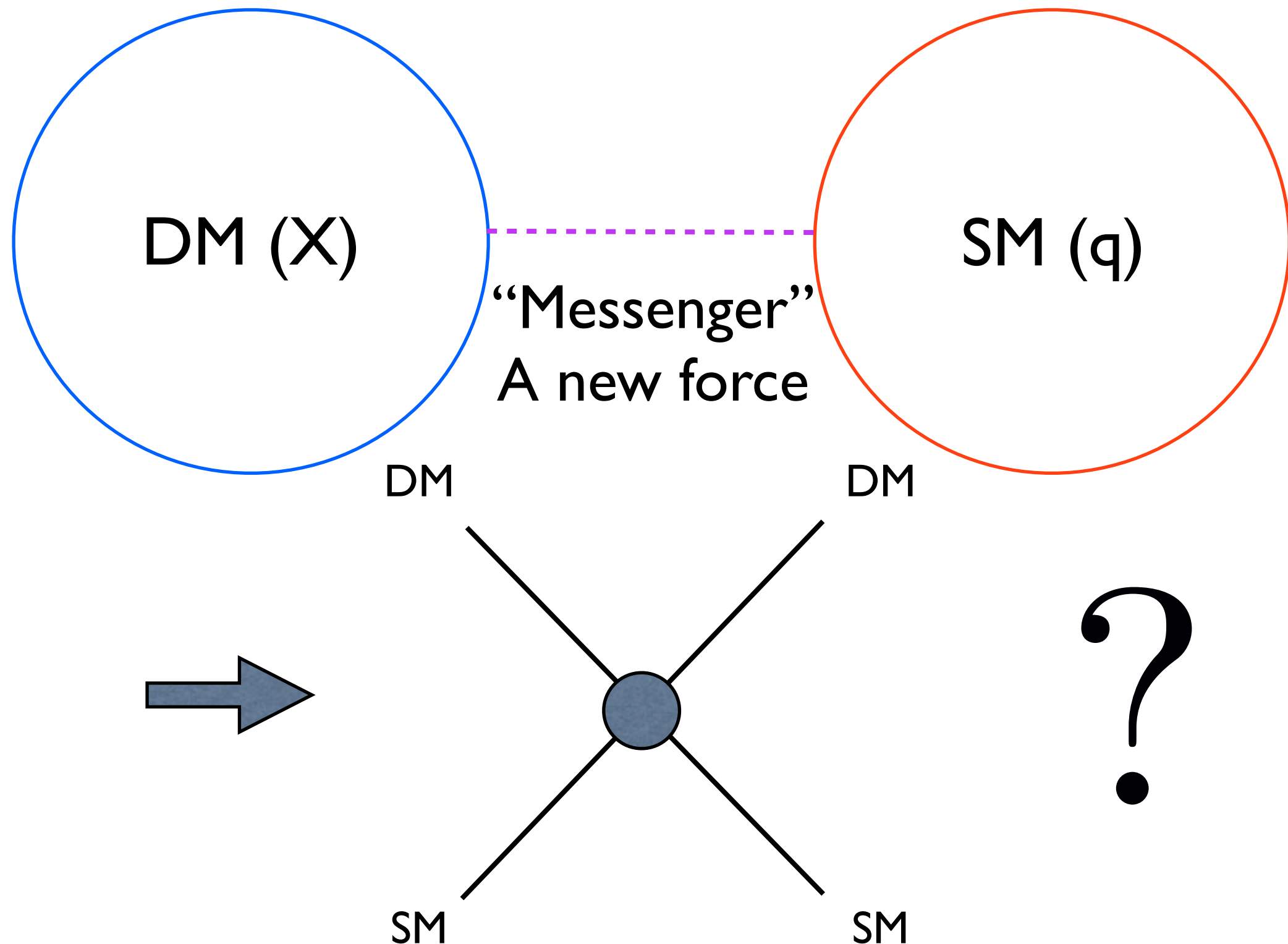


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# DM messengers

- Messenger particles mediate between DM and the SM.



# SIMP DM from hidden QCD

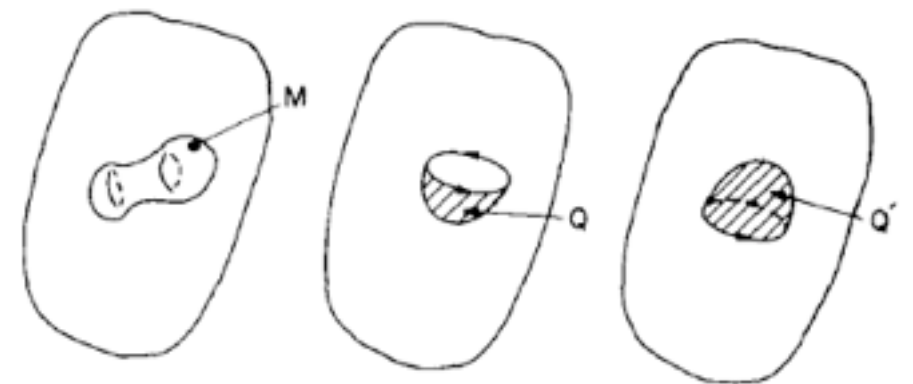
# Dark mesons & WZW term

- Dark flavor symmetry  $G = \text{SU}(N_f) \times \text{SU}(N_f)$  is SSB into diagonal  $H = \text{SU}(N_f)$  by  $\text{SU}(N_c)$  QCD-like condensation.
- Effective action for Goldstone bosons contains a 5-point self-interaction from **Wess-Zumino-Witten term for  $\pi_5(G/H) = \mathbb{Z}$  (i.e.  $N_f \geq 3$ )**. [Wess, Zumino, 1971; Witten, 1983]

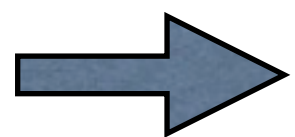
$$U = e^{2i\pi/F}, \quad \pi \equiv \pi^a T^a$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{WZW} = \frac{2N_c}{15\pi^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \text{Tr}[\pi \partial_\mu \pi \partial_\nu \pi \partial_\rho \pi \partial_\sigma \pi]$$

$$N_f = 3 : \pi = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{F} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\tilde{\pi}_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\tilde{\eta}^0 & \tilde{\pi}^+ & \tilde{K}^+ \\ \tilde{\pi}^- & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\tilde{\pi}_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\tilde{\eta}^0 & \tilde{K}^0 \\ \tilde{K}^- & \tilde{K}^0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\tilde{\eta}^0 \end{bmatrix}.$$



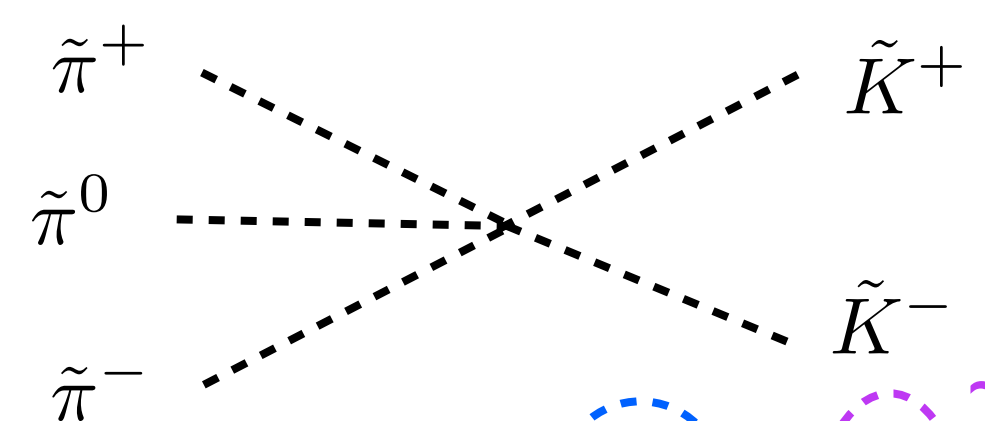
$N_c$  : topological invariant of 5-sphere ( $Q+Q'$ ) in  $\text{SU}(3)$



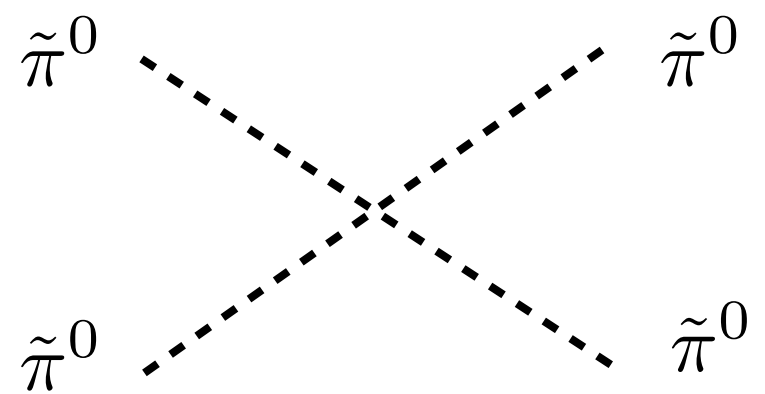
Flavor symmetry ensures stability of dark mesons, natural candidates for SIMP.

# SIMP dark mesons

- Large color group leads to **strong 5-point interactions** while satisfying bounds on self-interactions (e.g. Bullet cluster, halo shape.) [Hochberg et al, 2014]



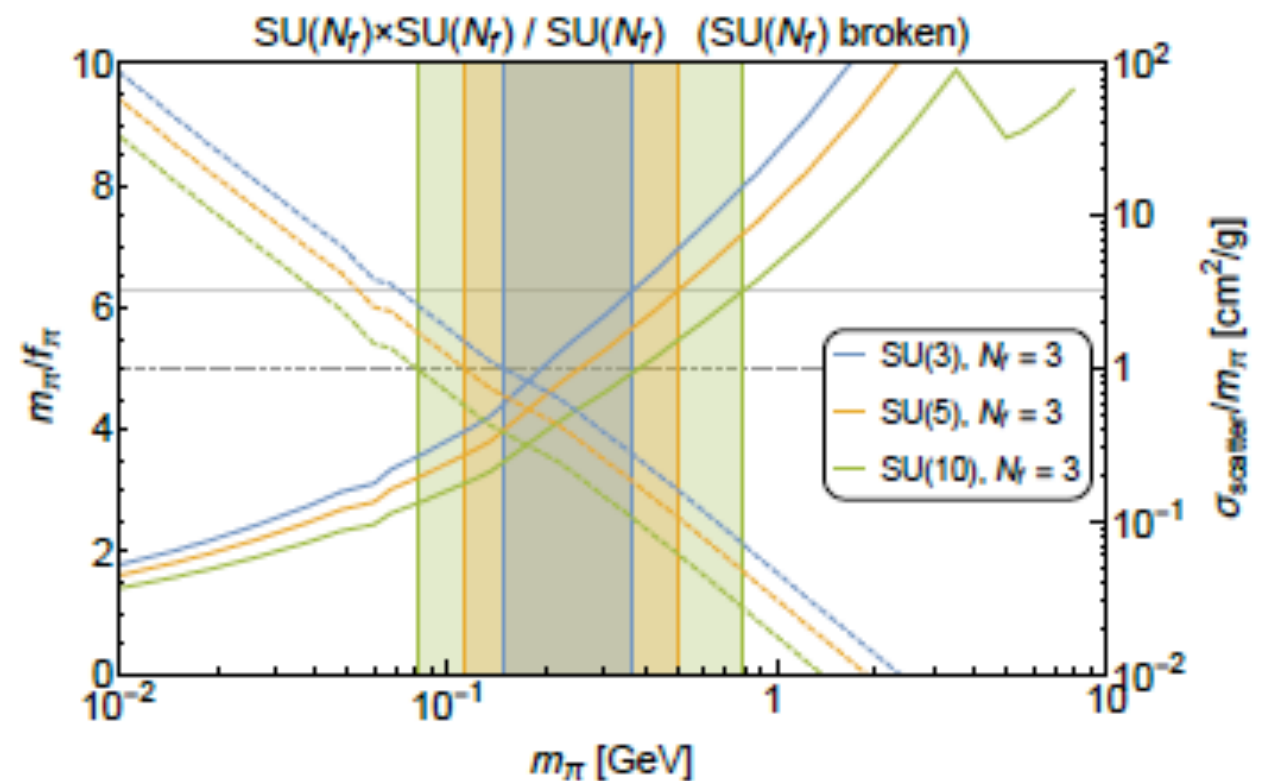
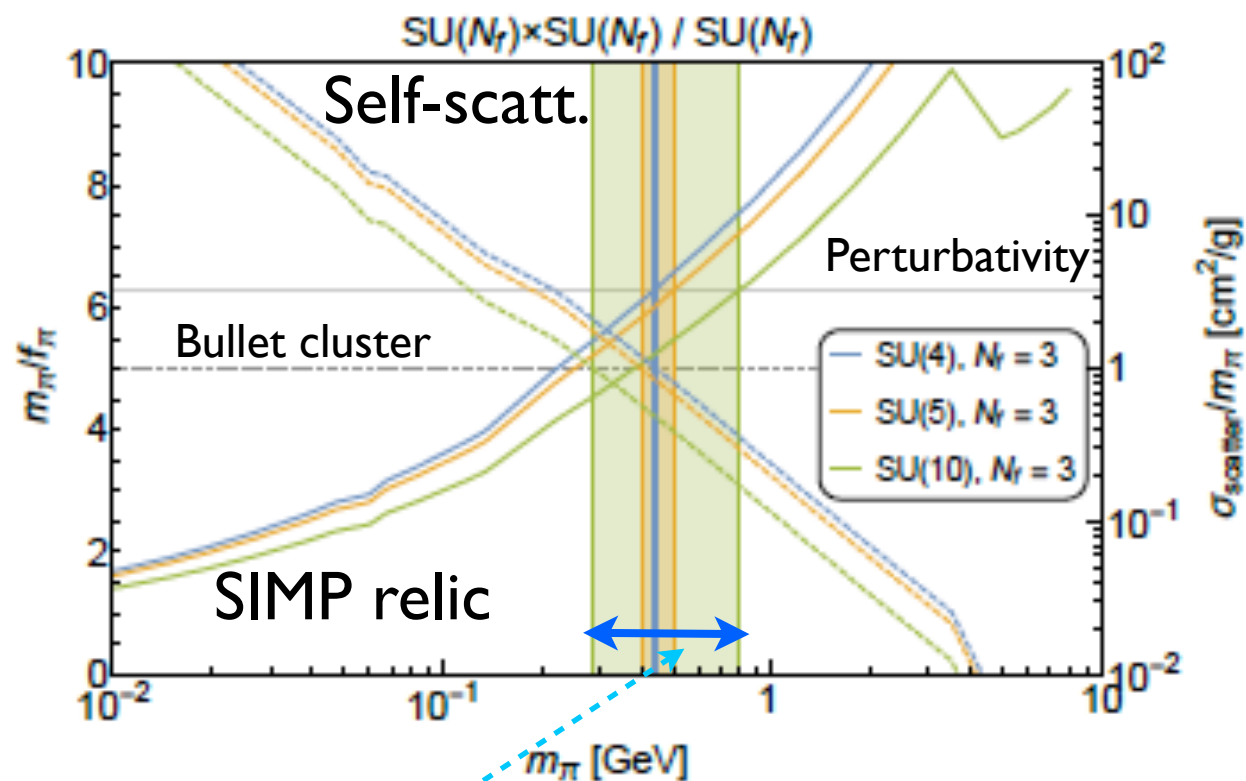
$$\langle \sigma v^2 \rangle_{3 \rightarrow 2} = \frac{5\sqrt{5}N_c^2 m_\pi^5}{2\pi^5 F^{10}} \frac{t^2}{N_\pi^3} \left( \frac{T_F}{m_\pi} \right)^2 \sim \text{const}$$



$$\sigma_{\text{self}} = \frac{m_\pi^2}{32\pi F^4} \frac{a^2}{N_\pi^2} \sim \text{const}$$

$G_c$	$G_f/H$	$N_\pi$	$t^2$	$N_f^2 a^2$
$SU(N_c)$	$\frac{SU(N_f) \times SU(N_f)}{SU(N_f)}$ ( $N_f \geq 3$ )	$N_f^2 - 1$	$\frac{4}{3}N_f(N_f^2 - 1)(N_f^2 - 4)$	$8(N_f - 1)(N_f + 1)(3N_f^4 - 2N_f^2 + 6)$
$SO(N_c)$	$SU(N_f)/SO(N_f)$ ( $N_f \geq 3$ )	$\frac{1}{2}(N_f + 2)(N_f - 1)$	$\frac{1}{12}N_f(N_f^2 - 1)(N_f^2 - 4)$	$(N_f - 1)(N_f + 2)(3N_f^4 + 7N_f^3 - 2N_f^2 - 12N_f + 24)$
$Sp(N_c)$	$SU(2N_f)/Sp(2N_f)$ ( $N_f \geq 2$ )	$(2N_f + 1)(N_f - 1)$	$\frac{2}{3}N_f(N_f^2 - 1)(4N_f^2 - 1)$	$4(N_f - 1)(2N_f + 1)(6N_f^4 - 7N_f^3 - N_f^2 + 3N_f + 3)$

# SIMP parameter space



consistent DM masses

[Hochberg, Kuflik, Murayama, Volansky, Wacker, 1411.3727]



Bullet cluster, Halo shape

$$\sigma_{\text{self}}/m_{\text{DM}} < 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$$

Perturbativity

$$m_\pi/f_\pi < 2\pi$$

$N_c > 3$  is required due to bounds on self-scattering.

Similar results for  $SU(N_f)/SO(N_f)$  or  $SU(2N_f)/Sp(2N_f)$ .

# Dark Z' and WZW

[HML, M.Seo, 2015]

- Dark quarks are vector-like under local dark U(1).
- WZW is modified with the local U(1).

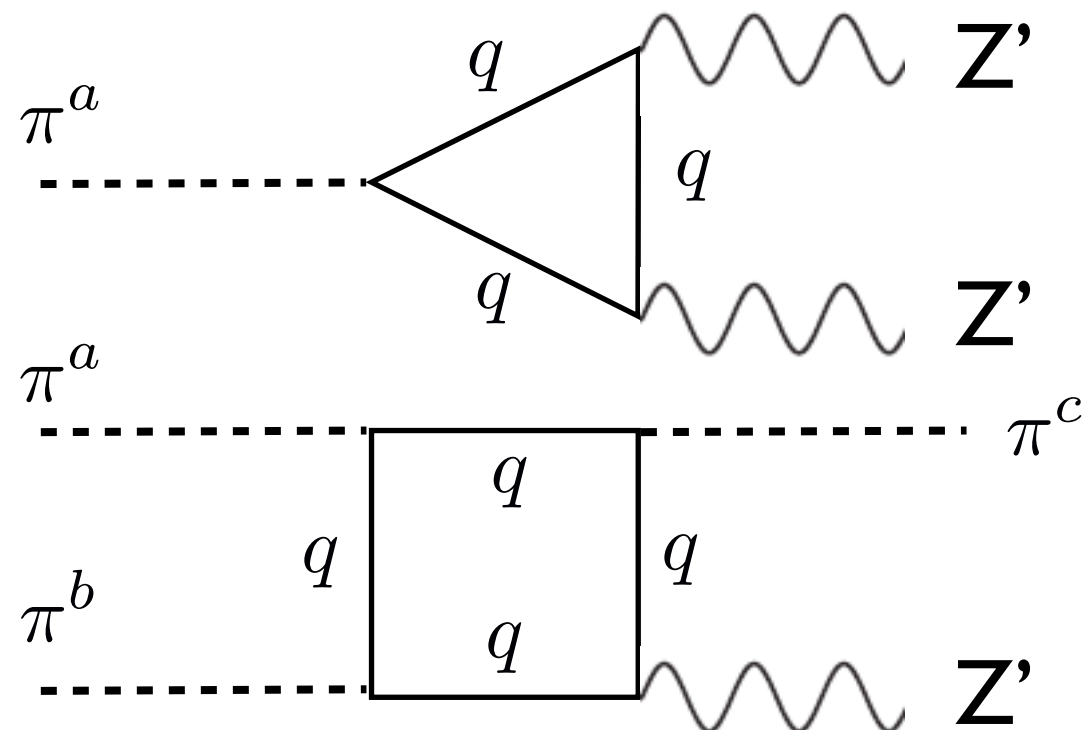
$$S = S_0(D_\mu U, D_\mu U^{-1}) + S_{\text{WZW}}(U, U^{-1}) - eN_c \int d^4x A'_\mu J^\mu$$

$$+ \frac{ie^2 N_c}{24\pi^2} \int d^4x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \partial_\mu A'^\nu A'_\rho \text{Tr}[Q^2 \partial_\sigma U U^{-1} + Q^2 U^{-1} \partial_\sigma U + Q U Q U^{-1} \partial_\sigma U U^{-1}],$$

$$J^\mu = \frac{1}{48\pi^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \text{Tr}[Q \partial_\nu U U^{-1} \partial_\rho U U^{-1} \partial_\sigma U U^{-1} + Q U^{-1} \partial_\nu U U^{-1} \partial_\rho U U^{-1} \partial_\sigma U].$$

- AVV anomalies.

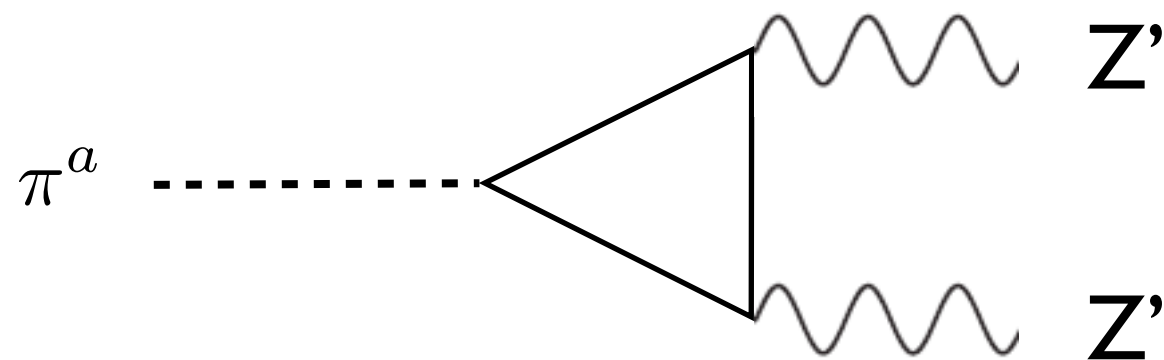
- AAAV anomalies.





# Dark charges

- Stability of dark neutral mesons requires the **cancellation of AVV anomalies**.



$$\propto \text{Tr}(Q_D^2 T^a) = 0$$

if  $Q_D^2 = I$ .

→  $Q_D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

for nonzero meson charges.

cf. QCD:

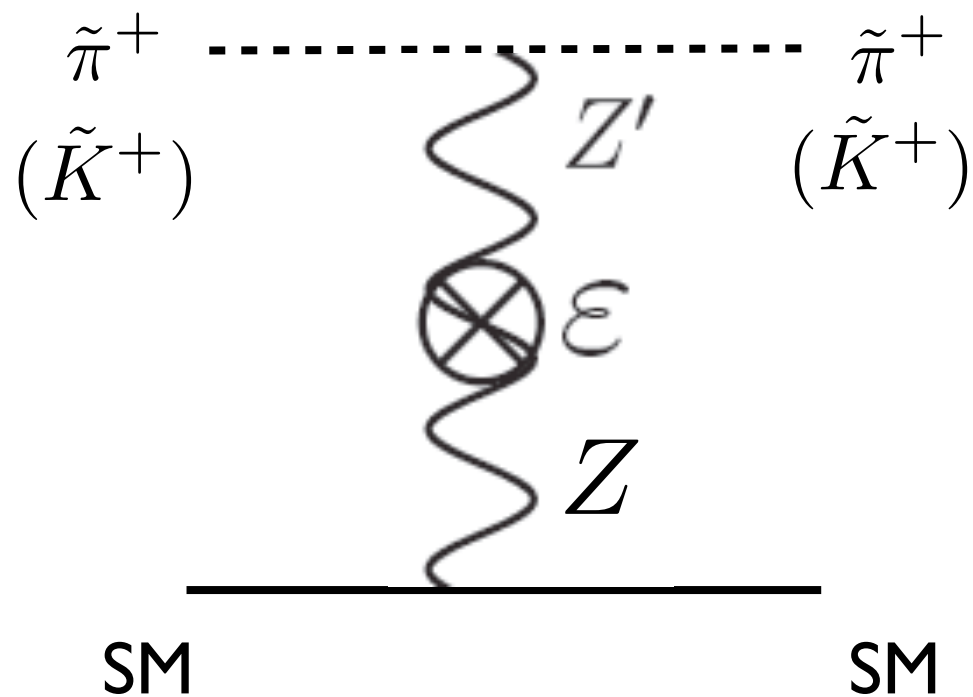
$$Q = \text{diag}(2/3, -1/3, -1/3)$$

$$D_\mu U = \partial_\mu U + ig_D [Q_D, U] Z'_\mu; \quad \tilde{\pi}^\pm, \tilde{K}^\pm : \pm 2 \text{ charges.}$$

But, AAAV anomalies do not cancel,  
leading to  $\pi \pi \rightarrow \pi Z'$ .

# Z'-portal for dark mesons

- Dark meson can be in kinetic equilibrium with the SM particles via gauge kinetic mixing.



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}} = -\frac{\varepsilon}{2 \cos \theta_W} F'_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{kin}} \approx \frac{768 \alpha \alpha_D \varepsilon^2}{\pi N_\pi} \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_{Z'}^4} \left( \frac{T_F}{m_\pi} \right).$$

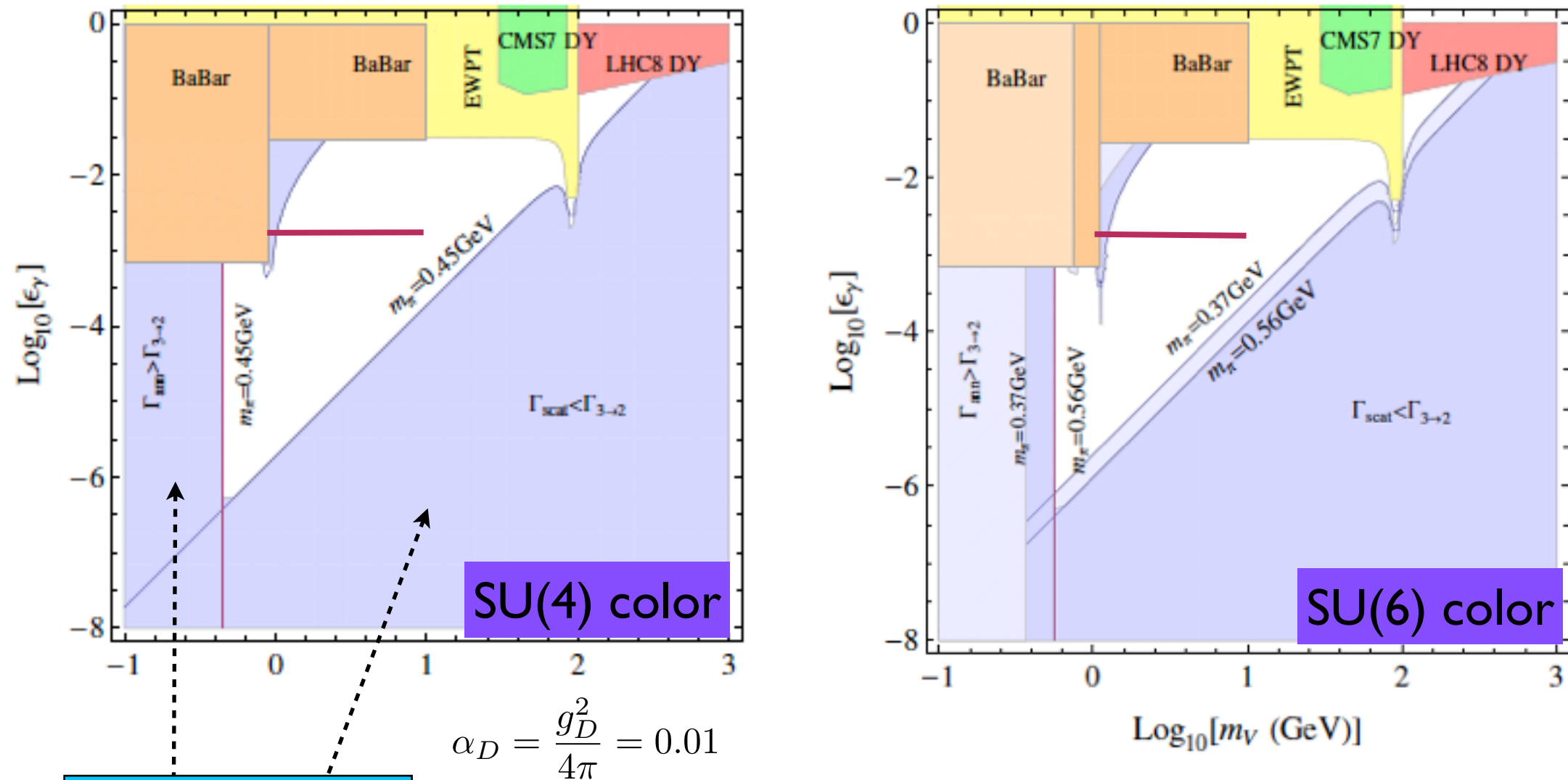
cf. Higgs-portal does not work,  
due to small lepton Yukawa couplings.

- $\pi \pi \rightarrow Z' Z'$  ( $\pi Z'$ ) are forbidden for  $m_{Z'} > m_\pi$ .
- Mass splitting between dark mesons can be less than 10%.

$$\delta \mathcal{L}_{m_\pi} = \alpha_D \Lambda^4 \text{Tr}[Q_D U Q_D U^{-1}] \Rightarrow \delta m_\pi^2 \sim \alpha_D \Lambda^4 / F^2 \lesssim 0.01 m_\pi^2,$$

for  $\alpha_D \lesssim 0.1$

# Bounds on $Z'$



SIMP conditions

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma Z' \rightarrow \gamma(l^+l^-)$ ,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma + \text{MET}$  (BaBar),  
 $h \rightarrow ZZ'$  (CMS 8TeV), Drell-Yan, dileptons.

- SIMP conditions are complementary in constraining  $Z'$  parameters to direct  $Z'$  searches.

# SIMP DM from $Z_3$ symmetry

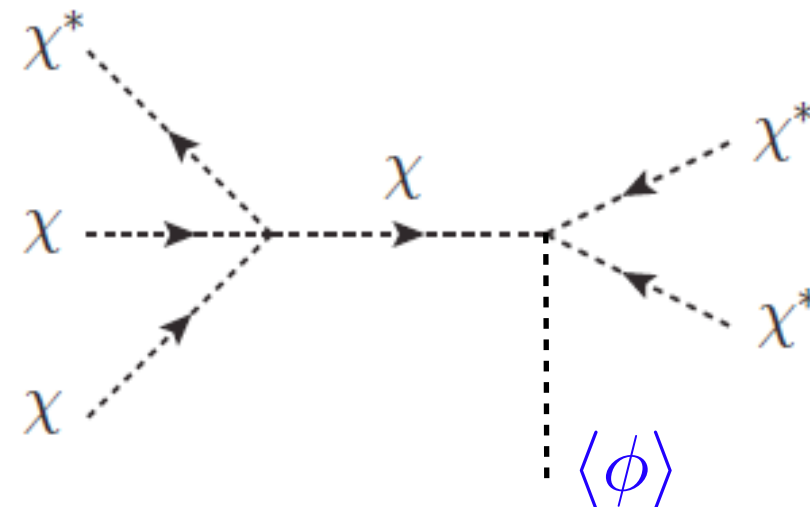
# Gauged $Z_3$ and SIMP

- 5-point SIMP interaction is inconsistent with  $Z_2$ .
- $Z_3$  is the minimal symmetry for stabilizing SIMP, a remnant of a local  $U(1)$ .
- Built-in  $Z'$  gauge boson communicates with the SM via the kinetic mixing.

	$\phi$	$\chi$
$U(1)_V$	+3	+1

Table 1:  $U(1)_V$  charges.

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} v' \quad \longrightarrow \quad U(1)_V \rightarrow Z_3.$$



# A $Z_3$ Model

- $\chi$ : Dark Matter,  $\phi$ : Dark Higgs,  $V_\mu$ : Dark photon.

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}V_{\mu\nu}V^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}\sin\xi V_{\mu\nu}B^{\mu\nu} + |D_\mu\phi|^2 + |D_\mu\chi|^2 + |D_\mu H|^2 - V(\phi, \chi, H)$$

$$D_\mu\chi = (\partial_\mu - iq_\chi g_D V_\mu)\chi$$

$$V(\phi, \chi, H) = V_{\text{DM}} + V_{\text{SM}} \text{ with}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{DM}} &= -m_\phi^2|\phi|^2 + m_\chi^2|\chi|^2 + \lambda_\phi|\phi|^4 + \lambda_\chi|\chi|^4 + \lambda_{\phi\chi}|\phi|^2|\chi|^2 \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3!}\kappa\phi^\dagger\chi^3 + \text{h.c.}\right) + \lambda_{\phi H}|\phi|^2|H|^2 + \lambda_{\chi H}|\chi|^2|H|^2, \\ V_{\text{SM}} &= -m_H^2|H|^2 + \lambda_H|H|^4. \end{aligned}$$

# Scalar SIMP DM

- $2 \rightarrow 2$  annihilation channels are forbidden for heavy dark Higgs and  $Z'$ .
- Boltzmann equation with  $3 \rightarrow 2$  annihilation.

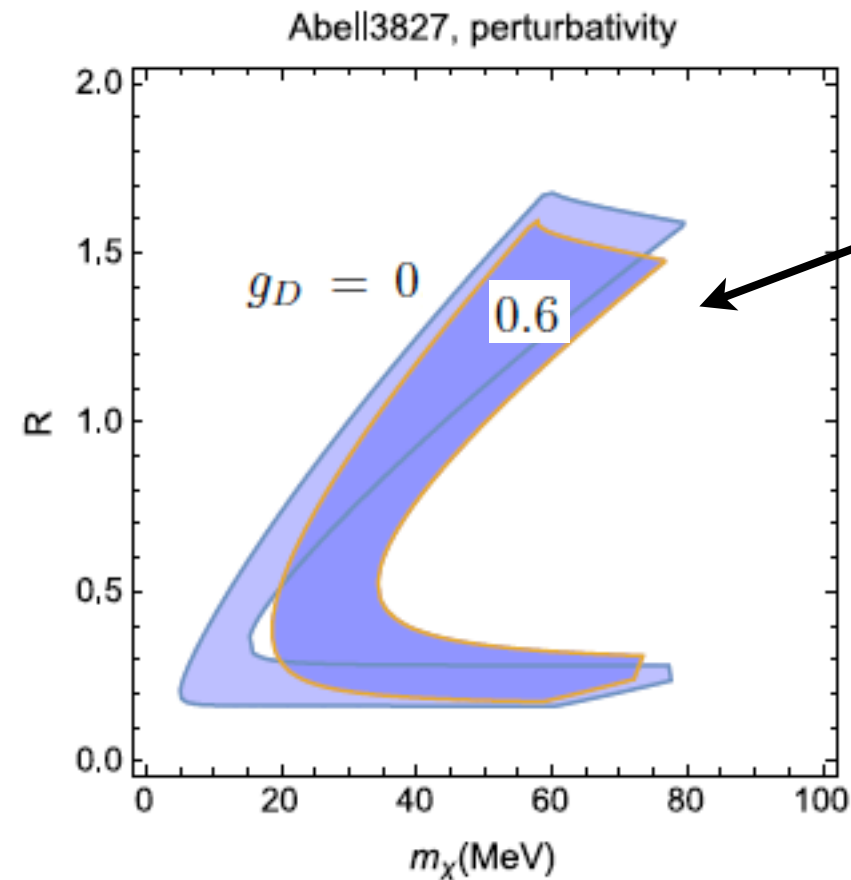
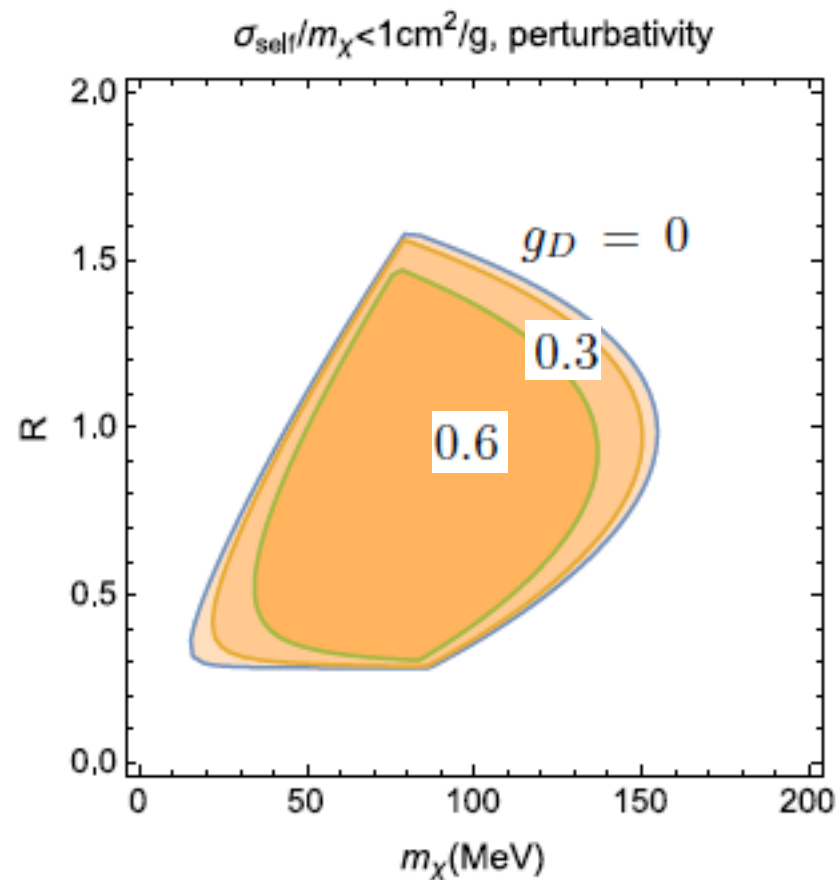
$$\frac{dn_{\text{DM}}}{dt} + 3Hn_{\text{DM}} = -\frac{1}{4} \left( \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}}^2 \rangle_{\chi\chi\chi^* \rightarrow \chi^*\chi^*} + \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}}^2 \rangle_{\chi\chi\chi \rightarrow \chi\chi^*} \right) (n_{\text{DM}}^3 - n_{\text{DM}}^2 n_{\text{DM}}^{\text{eq}}) - \frac{1}{2} \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_{\chi\chi^* \rightarrow \bar{f}f} (n_{\text{DM}}^2 - (n_{\text{DM}}^{\text{eq}})^2).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}}^2 \rangle_{3 \rightarrow 2} &= \frac{1}{4} \left( \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}}^2 \rangle_{\chi\chi\chi^* \rightarrow \chi^*\chi^*} + \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}}^2 \rangle_{\chi\chi\chi \rightarrow \chi\chi^*} \right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{5}R^2}{1536\pi m_\chi^5} \left\{ 3 \left( 2\lambda_\chi + 9R^2 + 25g_D^2(1+r)^{-1} \right)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{16} \left( 74\lambda_\chi - 117R^2 - 200g_D^2(1+r)^{-1} \right)^2 \right\} \equiv \frac{\alpha_{\text{eff}}^3}{m_\chi^5}. \end{aligned}$$

$$R \equiv \sqrt{2}\kappa v' / (6m_\chi) \text{ and } r \equiv m_{Z'}^2 / m_\chi^2.$$



# DM self-interaction



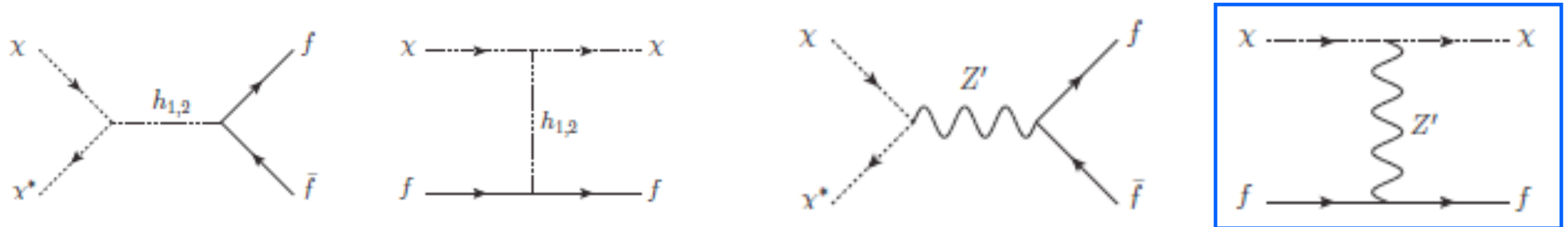
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$$\sigma_{\text{self}}/m_\chi = 1 - 3 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$$

- SIMP relic density:  $m_\chi = 0.03 \alpha_{\text{eff}} (T_{\text{eq}}^2 M_P)^{1/3}$
- Bullet cluster & halo shape:  $\sigma_{\text{self}}/m_\chi \lesssim 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$
- Unitarity, perturbativity imposed.

$$\lambda_\chi < 4\pi, \quad |\mathcal{M}_{\chi\chi}| = \sqrt{2} (2\lambda_\chi + 3R^2 + 4g_D^2 r^{-1}) < 8\pi$$

# Kinetic equil. condition



Higgs-portal:  
lepton-Yukawa suppressed.

Z'-portal:  
controlled by kinetic mixing.

- SIMP conditions on  $2 \rightarrow 2$  processes with Z' portal:

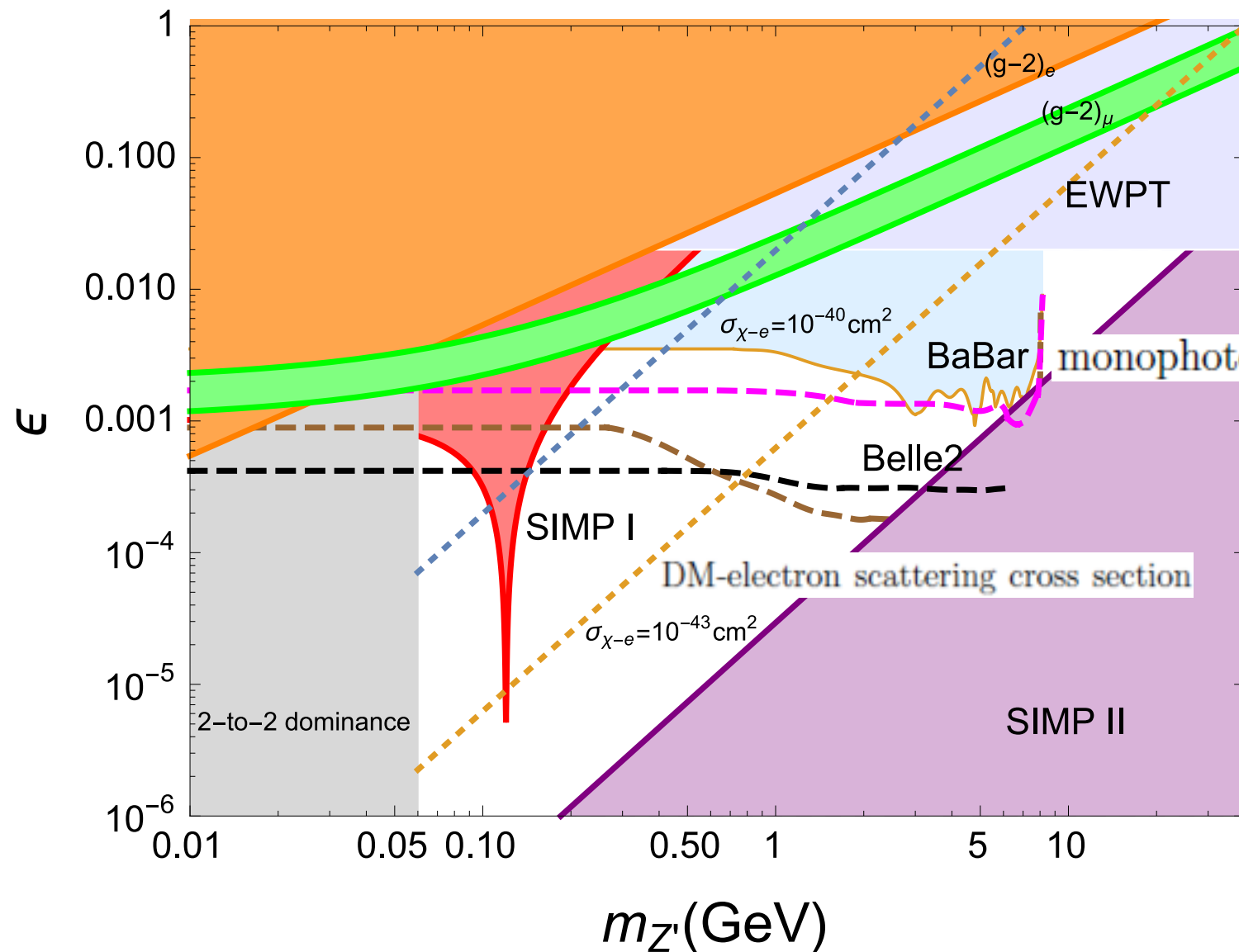
$$n_{\text{DM}} \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_{\text{ann}} < n_{\text{DM}}^2 \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}}^2 \rangle_{3 \rightarrow 2} < n_{\text{SM}} \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_{\text{kin}}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_{\text{ann}} &= \frac{2\varepsilon^2 e^2 g_D^2 m_\chi^2}{\pi[(4m_\chi^2 - m_{Z'}^2)^2 + m_{Z'}^2 \Gamma_{Z'}^2]} \left( \frac{T}{m_\chi} \right) \equiv \frac{\delta_1^2}{m_\chi^2} \\ \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_{\text{scatt}} &= \frac{3\varepsilon^2 e^2 g_D^2 m_\chi^2}{2\pi m_{Z'}^4} \left( \frac{T}{m_\chi} \right) \equiv \frac{\delta_2^2}{m_\chi^2} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \begin{aligned} \delta_1 &\lesssim 2.4 \times 10^{-6} \alpha_{\text{eff}}, \\ \delta_2 &\gtrsim 10^{-9} \alpha_{\text{eff}}^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\varepsilon \simeq \cos \theta_W \xi$$

# SIMP & Z' searches

$$m_\chi = 60 \text{ MeV}, g_D = 0.3$$



monophoton + MET at BaBar

BaBar  
monophoton + dilepton

$10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$  ( $\text{BR}(l\bar{l}) = 1$ )

for  $m_{Z'} = 0.02 - 10.2 \text{ GeV}$

beam dump (E137)

$10^{-3}$  below  $m_{Z'} = 0.1 \text{ GeV}$ .

- SIMP conditions are complementary for Z' searches at colliders.

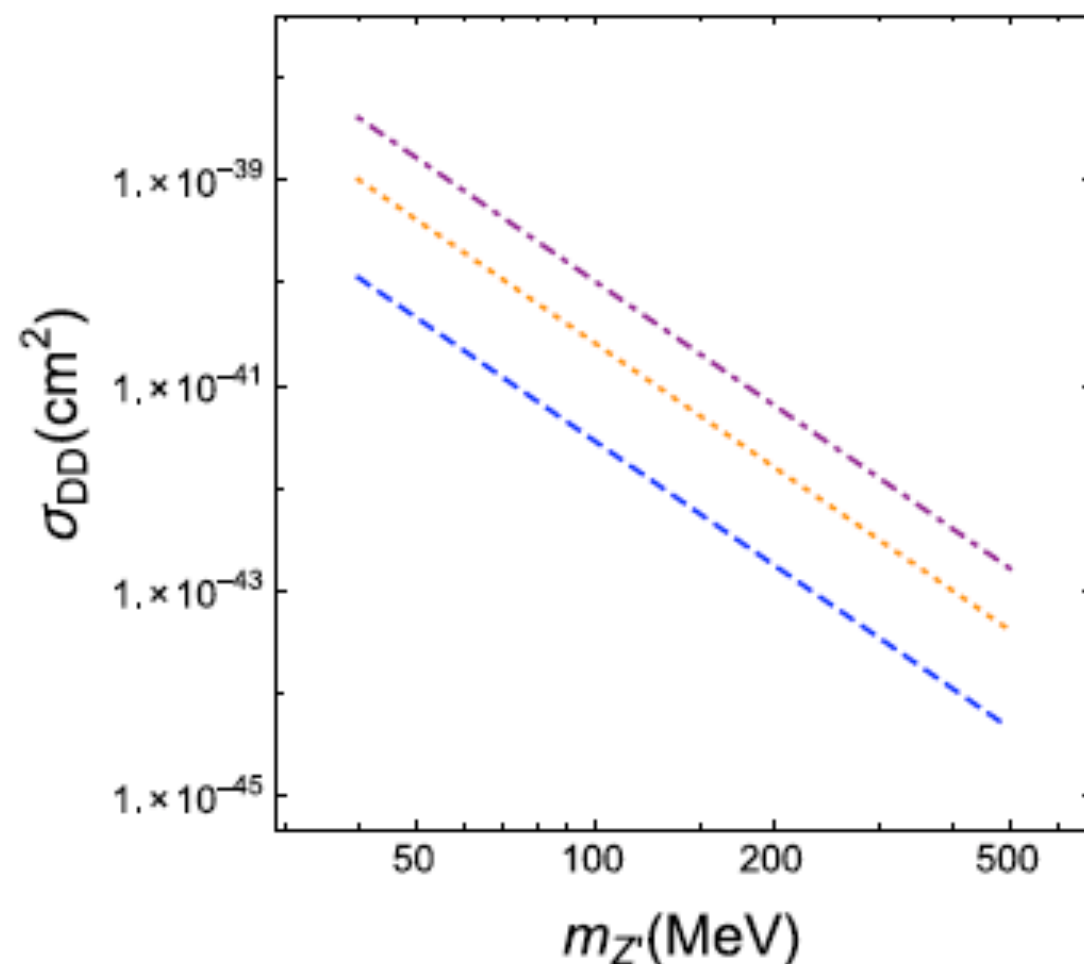
# Direct detection

- SIMP-electron/nucleon elastic scattering releases nucleon/electron-recoil energy,

$$E = \frac{q^2}{2m_{e,N}} \sim 1 - 100 \text{ eV}.$$

$$(q = \mu v_{\text{DM}}, \mu = m_{e,N} m_\chi / (m_{e,N} + m_\chi).)$$

Superconducting detectors?  
[Hochberg et al (2015)]



$$\sigma_{\text{DD}} = \frac{\epsilon^2 e^2 g_D^2 \mu^2}{\pi m_{Z'}^4},$$

$$m_e, m_\chi, m_{Z'} \gg p \simeq m_\chi v_{\text{DM}}$$

➡ independent of SIMP mass.

**XENON10:**

$$\sigma_{\text{DD}} < 2 \times 10^{-36} \text{ cm}^2$$

at best around  $m_\chi = 30 \text{ MeV}$ .

# Conclusions

- SIMP paradigm leads to testable scenarios via DM self-interactions as well as possibly, messengers particles.
- SIMP dark mesons can be in kinetic equilibrium with  $Z'$  portal, remaining stable.
- Scalar SIMP dark matter with gauged  $Z_3$  has a built-in  $Z'$ -portal.
- SIMP conditions are complementary to  $Z'$  searches at colliders.

# Backup

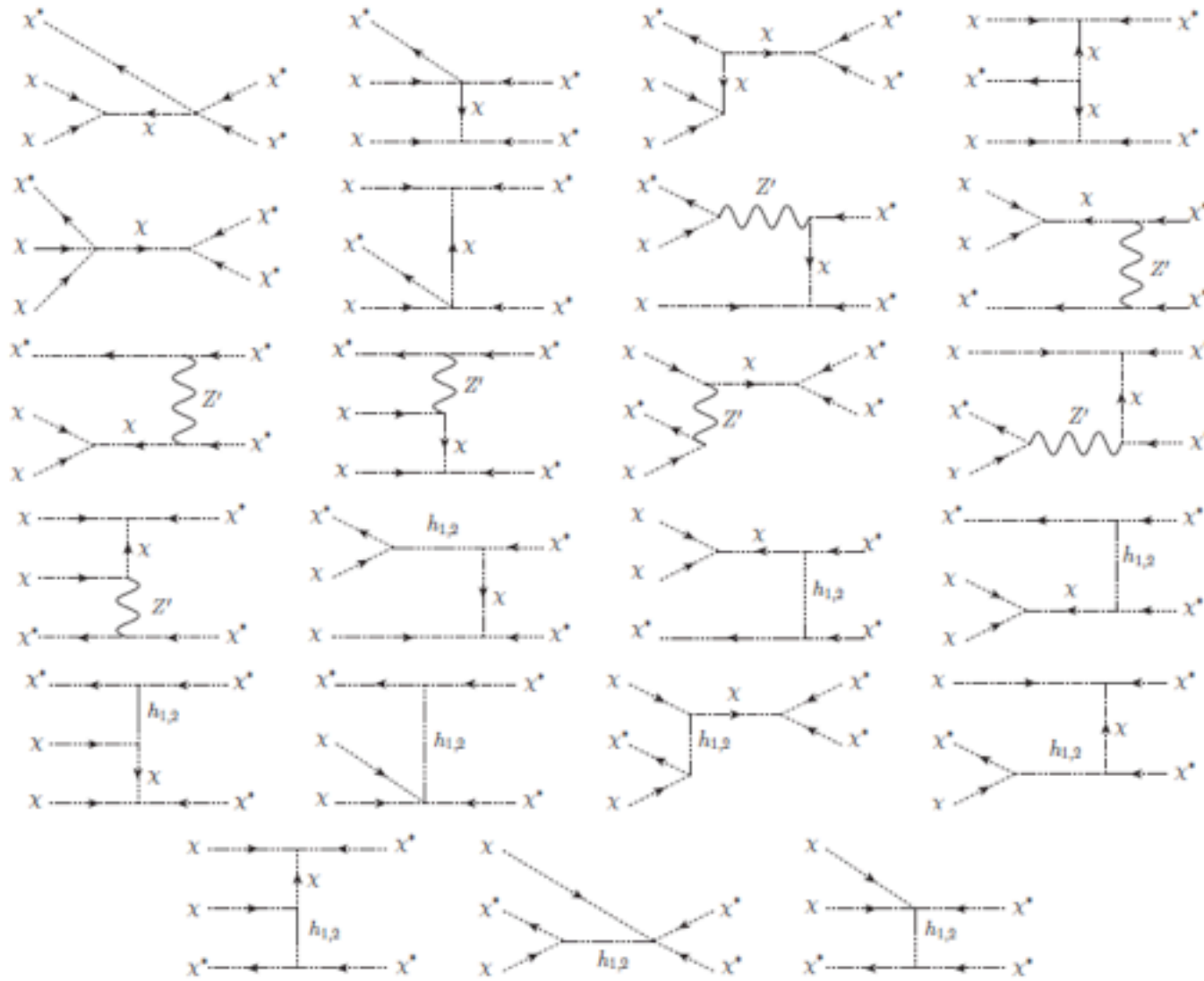


Figure 1: Feynman diagrams for  $\chi\chi\chi^* \rightarrow \chi^*\chi^*$ .

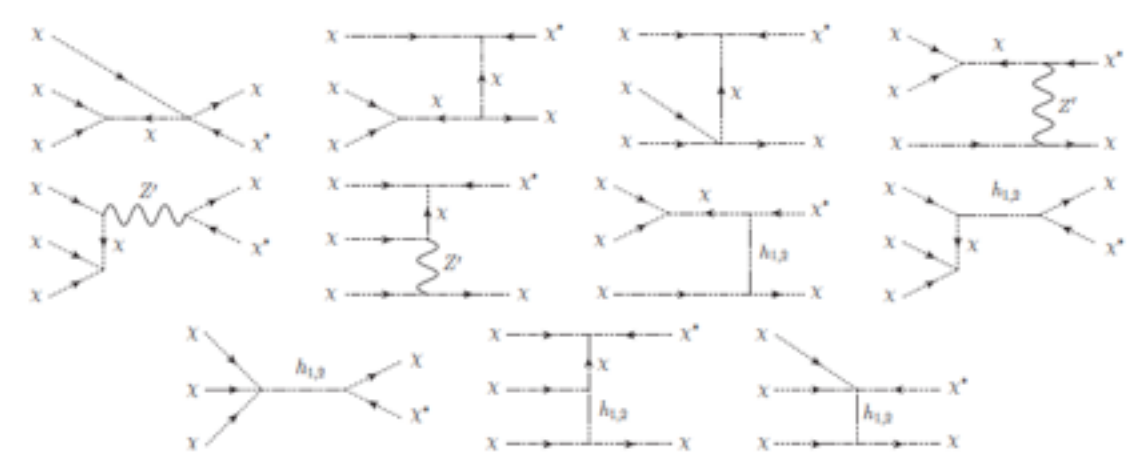


Figure 2: Feynman diagrams for  $\chi\chi\chi \rightarrow \chi\chi^*$ .

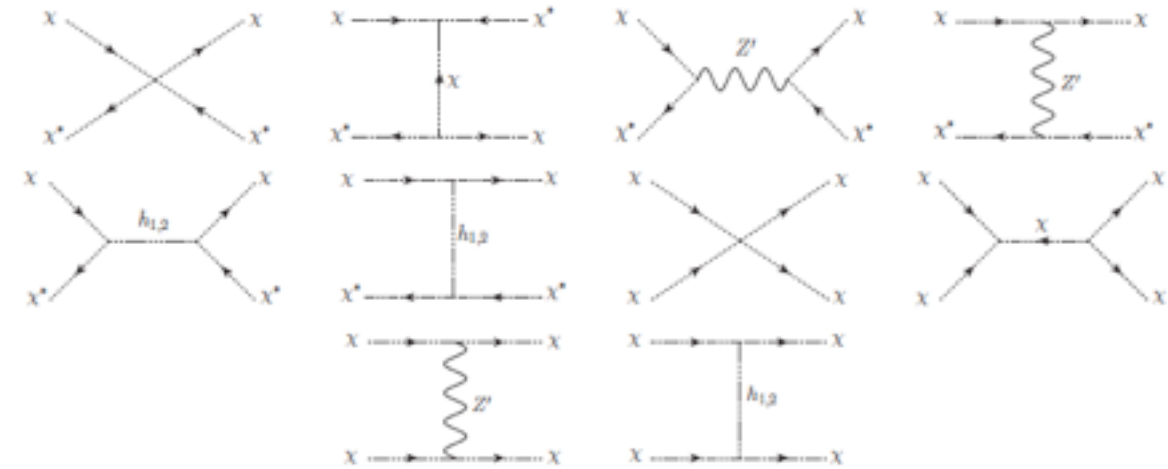


Figure 3: Feynman diagrams for  $\chi\chi^* \rightarrow \chi\chi^*$  and  $\chi\chi \rightarrow \chi\chi$ .