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## Sterile Neutrino Portals to Majorana Dark Matter

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- ▶ The effective field theory (EFT) approach to DM—sterile neutrino interactions: **portal operators**
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# Motivation for the sterile neutrino portal

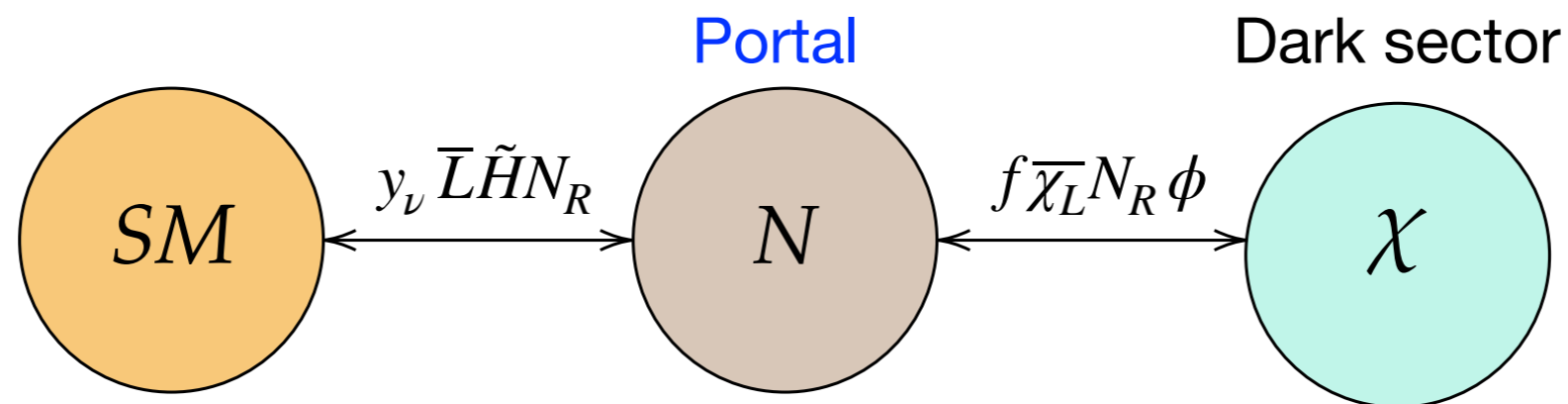
Most compelling pieces of evidence for physics beyond the SM:

- ▶ neutrino masses
- ▶ dark matter (DM)

These hint to the existence of **SM gauge singlets**:

- ▶ sterile neutrino(s)  $N$
- ▶ DM particle  $\chi$

**Sterile neutrino portal:**



Pospelov, Ritz, Voloshin, 0711.4866; Escudero, Rius, Sanz, 1607.02373;  
Batell et al., 1704.08708, 1709.07001; Bandyopadhyay et al., 1807.05122;  
Blennow et al., 1903.00006; etc.

# Effective field theory approach

The SM + 2 chiral fermions  $N_R$  and  $\chi_L \sim (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0$  under  $(SU(3)_C, SU(2)_L)_Y$

In addition,  $\chi_L \rightarrow -\chi_L$  under a stabilising  $Z_2$  symmetry

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \bar{N}_R i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu N_R + \bar{\chi}_L i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \chi_L - \left[ \frac{1}{2} m_N \bar{N}_R^c N_R + \frac{1}{2} m_\chi \bar{\chi}_L \chi_L^c + y_\nu \bar{L} \tilde{H} N_R + \text{H.c.} \right]$$

Assume that  $\chi$  interacts with  $N$  via 4-fermion operators:

$$\mathcal{L}_6 = \frac{c_1}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_1 + \left[ \frac{c_2}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_2 + \frac{c_3}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_3 + \text{H.c.} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_1 = (\bar{N}_R \chi_L)(\bar{\chi}_L N_R) = -\frac{1}{2} (\bar{N}_R \gamma_\mu N_R)(\bar{\chi}_L \gamma^\mu \chi_L)$$

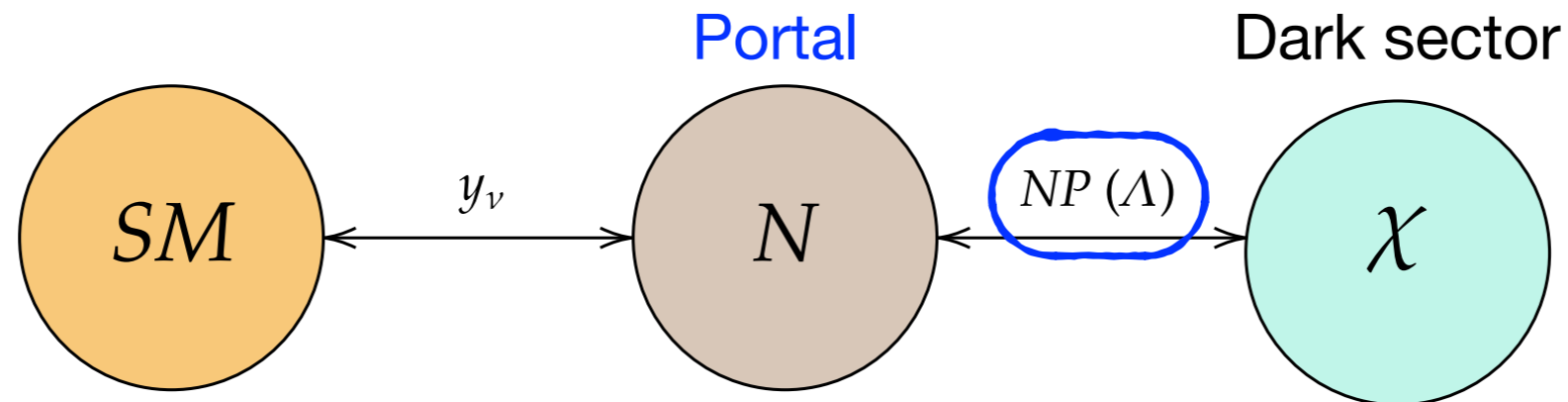
$$\mathcal{O}_2 = (\bar{N}_R \chi_L)(\bar{N}_R \chi_L) = -\frac{1}{2} (\bar{N}_R N_R^c)(\bar{\chi}_L^c \chi_L)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_3 = (\bar{N}_R^c N_R)(\bar{\chi}_L^c \chi_L) = -\frac{1}{2} (\bar{N}_R^c \gamma_\mu \chi_L)(\bar{\chi}_L^c \gamma^\mu N_R)$$

3 operators

These operators form part of the basis of  $D = 6$  operators derived in [Duch, Grzadkowski, Wudka, 1412.0520](#)

# Effective field theory approach



Sterile neutrino portal operators:

If  $L(N_R) = +1$  and  $L(\chi_L) = 0$

$$\mathcal{O}_1 = (\bar{N}_R \chi_L)(\bar{\chi}_L N_R) = -\frac{1}{2}(\bar{N}_R \gamma_\mu N_R)(\bar{\chi}_L \gamma^\mu \chi_L)$$

LNC (always)

$$\mathcal{O}_2 = (\bar{N}_R \chi_L)(\bar{N}_R \chi_L) = -\frac{1}{2}(\bar{N}_R N_R^c)(\bar{\chi}_L^c \chi_L)$$

LNV ( $\Delta L = -2$ )

$$\mathcal{O}_3 = (\bar{N}_R^c N_R)(\bar{\chi}_L^c \chi_L) = -\frac{1}{2}(\bar{N}_R^c \gamma_\mu \chi_L)(\bar{\chi}_L^c \gamma^\mu N_R)$$

LNV ( $\Delta L = +2$ )

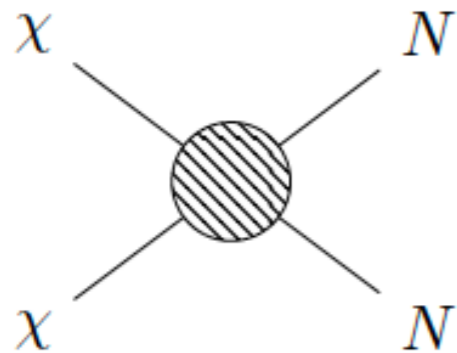
We assume:

$$m_N < m_\chi < \Lambda < \mathcal{O}(100) \text{ TeV}$$

$$m_\nu = \frac{y_\nu^2 v^2}{2m_N} \approx 0.05 \text{ eV} \Rightarrow y_\nu \lesssim 10^{-6} \text{ for } m_N \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$$

# DM annihilations into sterile neutrinos

The DM relic abundance is set by the **freeze-out** of annihilations  $\chi\chi \rightarrow NN$



$$\sigma v = a + b \frac{v^2}{4} + \mathcal{O}(v^4)$$

For the **freeze-in** production of DM in the renormalisable neutrino portal see **talks by C. Cosme and B. Fu**

$$a = \frac{m_\chi^2}{16\pi\Lambda^4} \sqrt{1 - r_N^2} \left[ (c_1 r_N + 2\text{Re}c_2 + 4\text{Re}c_3)^2 + 4(\text{Im}c_2 - 2\text{Im}c_3)^2 (1 - r_N^2) \right], \quad r_N \equiv \frac{m_N}{m_\chi}$$

$$a = 0 \text{ if } c_2 = -2c_3^* \text{ and either } c_1 = 0 \text{ or } m_N = 0$$

(the contribution of  $\mathcal{O}_1$  to  $s$ -wave is chirality suppressed)

In the limit  $m_N \rightarrow 0$ :

$$a = \frac{m_\chi^2}{4\pi\Lambda^4} \left[ |c_2|^2 + 4|c_3|^2 + 4\text{Re}(c_2c_3) \right]$$

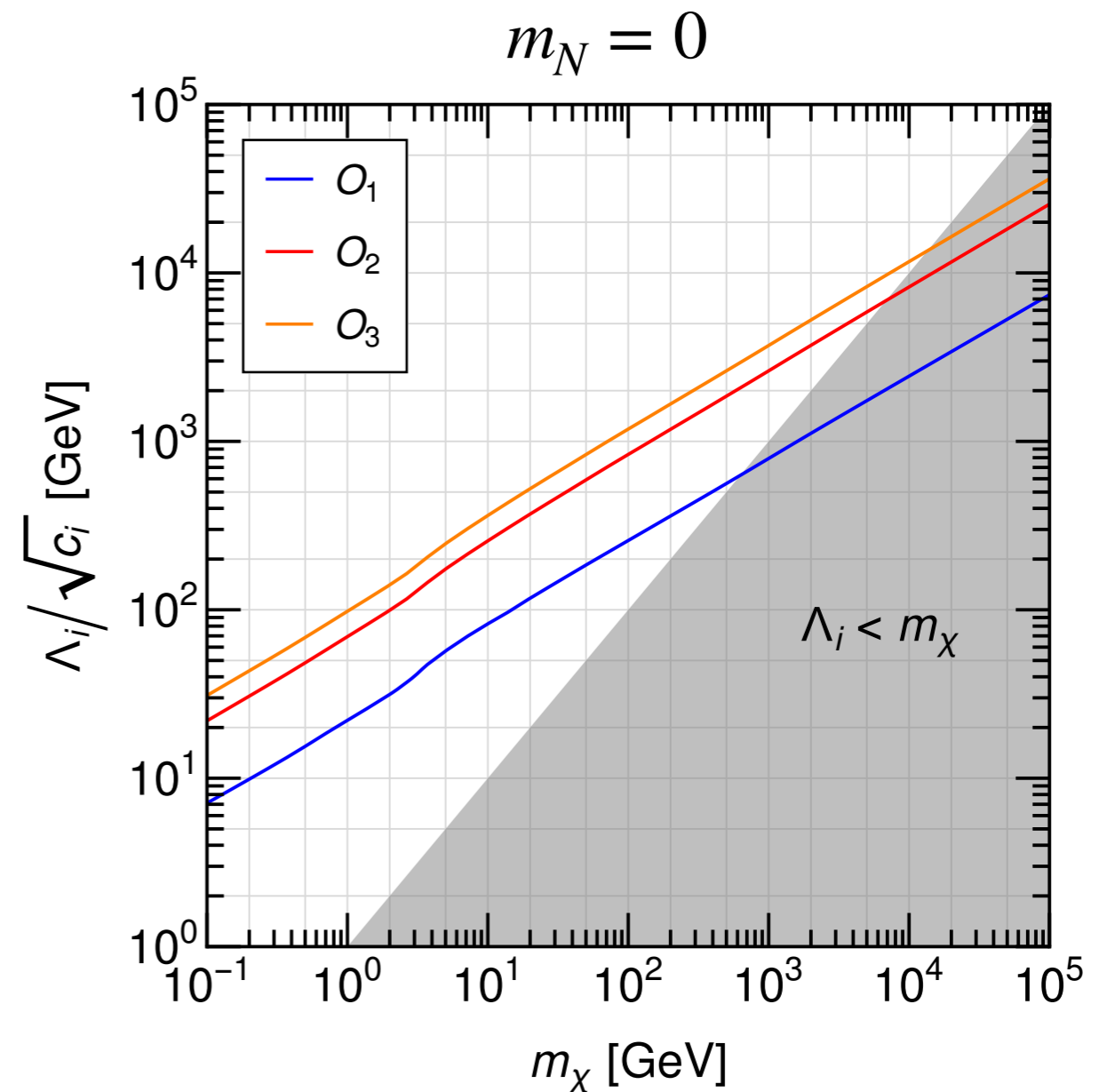
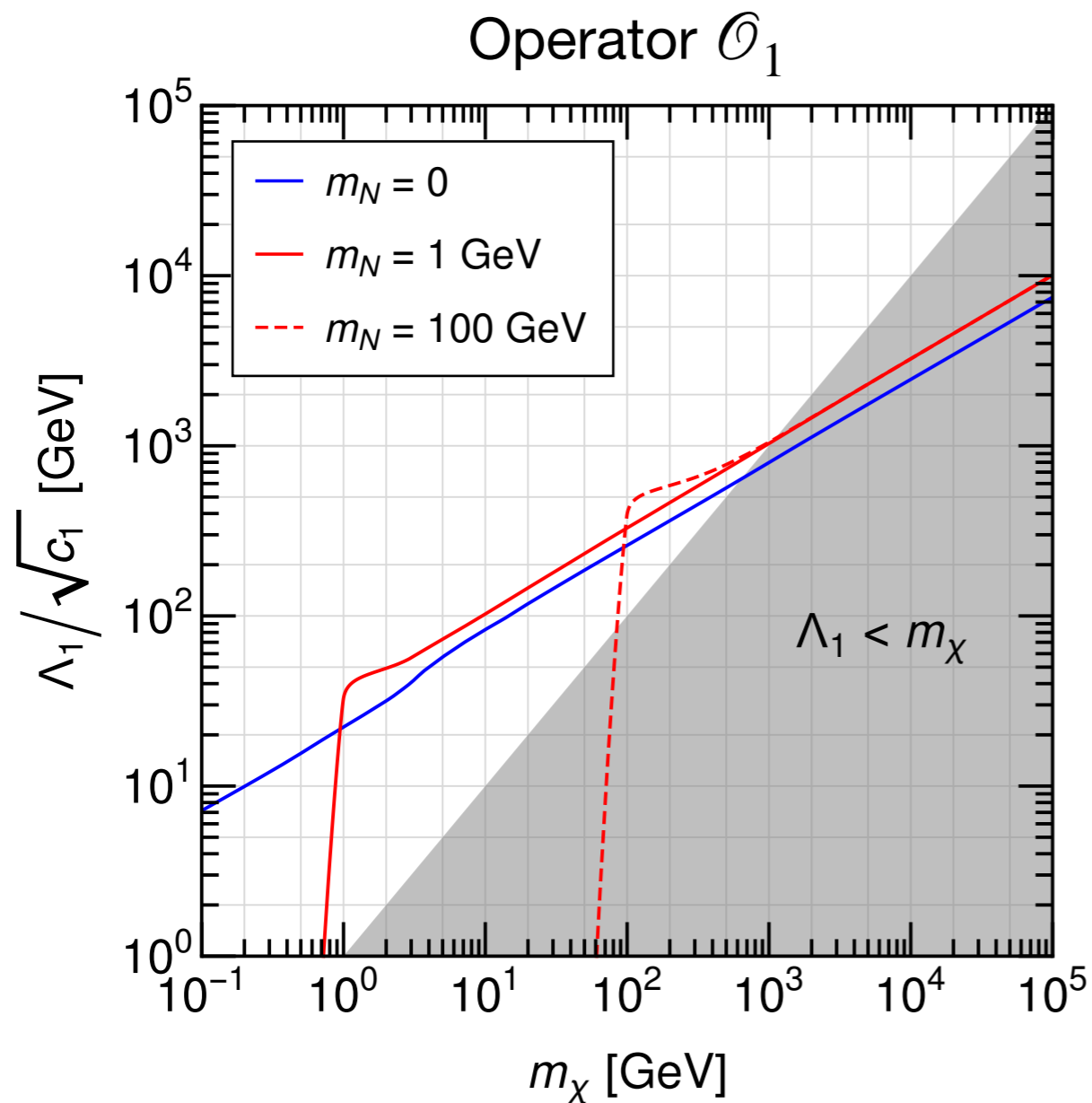
$$b = \frac{m_\chi^2}{12\pi\Lambda^4} \left[ c_1^2 + 3|c_2|^2 + 12|c_3|^2 - 12\text{Re}(c_2c_3) \right]$$

# DM relic abundance

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = a + \frac{3}{2} b x^{-1} + \mathcal{O}(x^{-2}) \quad x = m_\chi / T$$

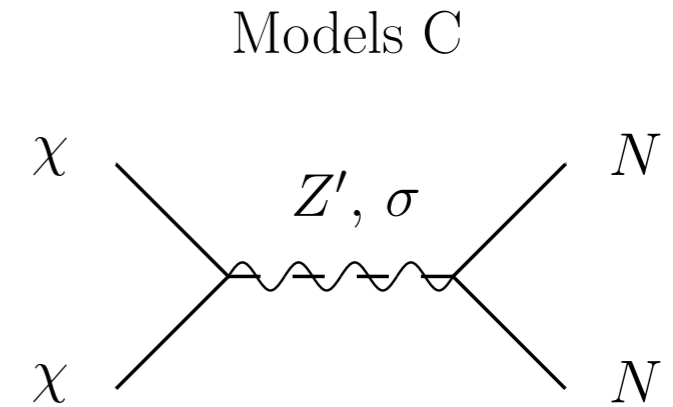
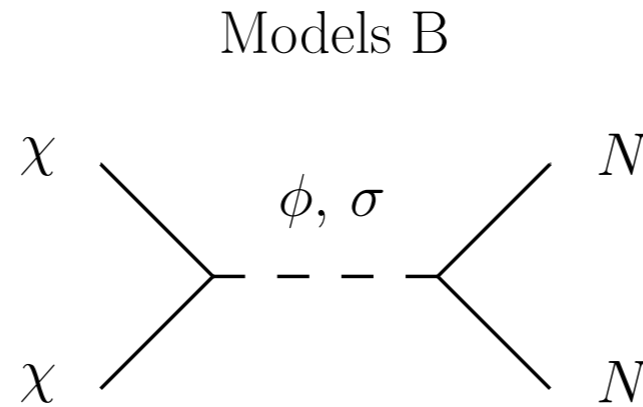
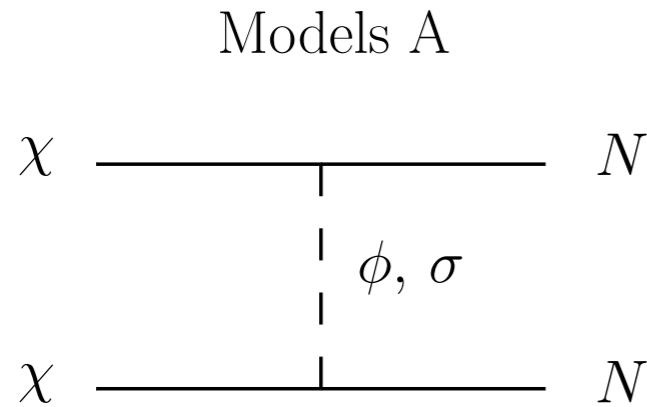
$$\langle \sigma v \rangle \approx 2.2 \text{ (4.4)} \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s} \quad \text{if } a \neq 0 \text{ (} a = 0 \text{)}$$

More precise values of  $\langle \sigma v \rangle$ :  
 Steigman, Dasgupta, Beacom, 1204.3622  
 Bringmann et al., 2007.03696





# UV completions of the portal operators



Model	Dark sector particles	$Z_2$	$U(1)_{B-L}$
A1	Majorana fermion $\chi$	1	0
	real scalar $\phi$	1	0
A2	Majorana fermion $\chi$	1	0
	complex scalar $\sigma$	1	-1

Model	Dark sector particles	$Z_2$	$U(1)_{B-L}$
B1	Majorana fermion $\chi$	1	0
	real scalar $\phi$	0	0
B2	chiral fermion $\chi_L$	1	+1
	complex scalar $\sigma$	0	+2

Model	Dark sector particles	$Z_2$	$U(1)_{B-L}$
C1	Majorana fermion $\chi$	1	0
	massive vector boson $Z'$	0	0
C2	chiral fermion $\chi_L$	1	+1
	complex scalar $\sigma$	0	+2
	gauge boson $Z'$	0	0

## Relevant couplings

$$\text{A1 : } f \bar{N}_R \chi_L \phi$$

$$\text{A2 : } f \bar{N}_R \chi_L \sigma$$

$$\text{B1 : } f \bar{N}_R^c N_R \phi + g \bar{\chi}_L^c \chi_L \phi$$

$$\text{B2 : } f \bar{N}_R^c N_R \sigma + g \bar{\chi}_L \chi_L^c \sigma$$

$$m_N, m_\chi \sim v_\sigma$$

$$\text{C1 : } g_N \bar{N}_R \gamma^\mu N_R Z'_\mu + g_\chi \bar{\chi}_L \gamma^\mu \chi_L Z'_\mu$$

$$\text{C2 : } \text{gauged B2}$$

$$D_\mu = D_\mu^{\text{SM}} - ig' Q_{B-L} Z'_\mu$$



# Matching of UV models onto the EFT

	Portals			Self-ints		Ints w/ SM				
	$(\overline{N_R \chi_L})(\chi_L N_R)$	$(\overline{N_R \chi_L})(\overline{N_R \chi_L})$	$(\overline{N_R^c N_R})(\overline{\chi_L \chi_L})$	$(\overline{N_R^c N_R})(\overline{N_R N_R^c})$	$(\overline{\chi_L \chi_L})(\overline{\chi_L \chi_L})$	$(\overline{N_R^c N_R})(H^\dagger H)$	$(\overline{\chi_L \chi_L})(H^\dagger H)$			
Model	$c_1/\Lambda^2$	$c_2/\Lambda^2$	$c_3/\Lambda^2$	$c_4/\Lambda^2$	$c_5/\Lambda^2$	$c_{NH}/\Lambda$	$c_{\chi H}/\Lambda$			
Genuine models	A1	$\frac{ f ^2}{m_\phi^2}$	$\frac{f^2}{2m_\phi^2}$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$		
	A2a	$\frac{f^2}{m_\sigma^2}$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$m_N = 0$	
	A2b	$\frac{f^2}{m_\sigma^2}$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$m_N \neq 0$	
	A2c	$\frac{f^2}{m_\sigma^2}$	$-\frac{f^2 \mu_\sigma^2}{2m_\sigma^4}$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$m_N @ 1 \text{ loop}$	
Non-genuine models	B1	$\times$	$-\frac{2f^* g}{m_\phi^2}$	$\frac{fg}{m_\phi^2}$	$\frac{ f ^2}{m_\phi^2}$	$\frac{ g ^2}{m_\phi^2}$	$\frac{f\mu_{\phi H}}{m_\phi^2}$	$\frac{g\mu_{\phi H}}{m_\phi^2}$		
	B2	$\times$	$-\frac{fg}{m_s^2}$	$\frac{fg}{2m_s^2}$	$\frac{f^2}{2m_s^2}$	$\frac{g^2}{2m_s^2}$	$\frac{f\lambda_{\sigma H} v_\sigma}{\sqrt{2}m_s^2}$	$\frac{g\lambda_{\sigma H} v_\sigma}{\sqrt{2}m_s^2}$	global $B - L$	
	C1	$\frac{2g_N g_\chi}{m_{Z'}^2}$	$\times$	$\times$	$-\frac{g_N^2}{m_{Z'}^2}$	$-\frac{g_\chi^2}{m_{Z'}^2}$	$\times$	$\times$		
	C2	$\frac{2g'^2 Q_N Q_\chi}{m_{Z'}^2}$	$-\frac{fg}{m_s^2}$	$\frac{fg}{2m_s^2}$	$\frac{f^2}{2m_s^2}$	$\frac{g'^2 Q_N^2}{m_{Z'}^2}$	$\frac{g^2}{2m_s^2}$	$\frac{g'^2 Q_\chi^2}{m_{Z'}^2}$	$\frac{f\lambda_{\sigma H} v_\sigma}{\sqrt{2}m_s^2}$	$\frac{g\lambda_{\sigma H} v_\sigma}{\sqrt{2}m_s^2}$

# Models' features

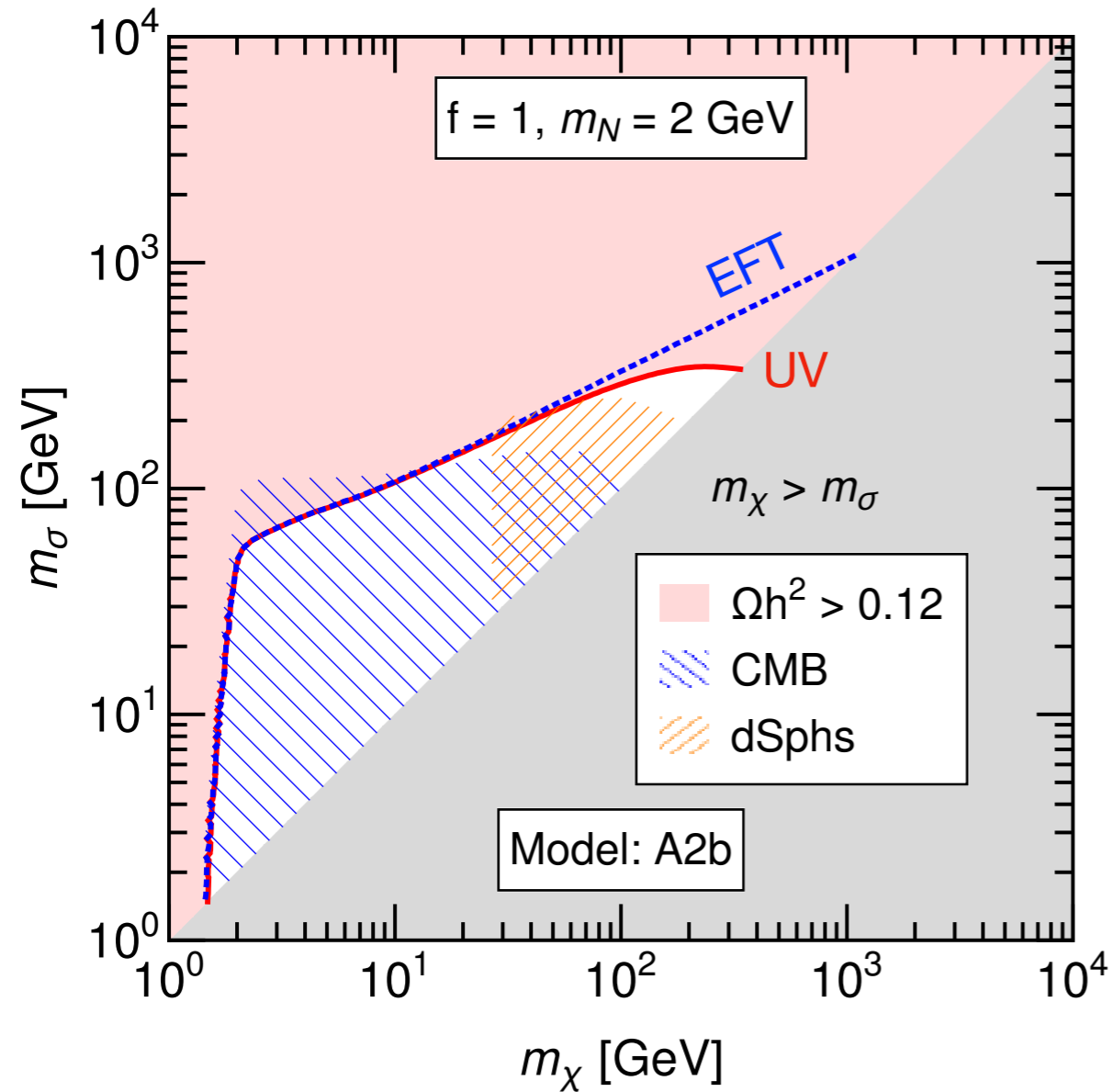
		Genuine models				Non-genuine models			
Feature	Model	A1	A2a	A2b	A2c	B1	B2	C1	C2
			$m_N = 0$	$m_N \neq 0$	$m_N @ 1 \text{ loop}$				
$s$ -wave $\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi\chi \rightarrow NN}$		✓	✗	✓	✓	*	✗	✓	✓
DD @ tree level		✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓
Self-interactions		✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓

\*  $p$ -wave if  $g \in \mathbb{R}$

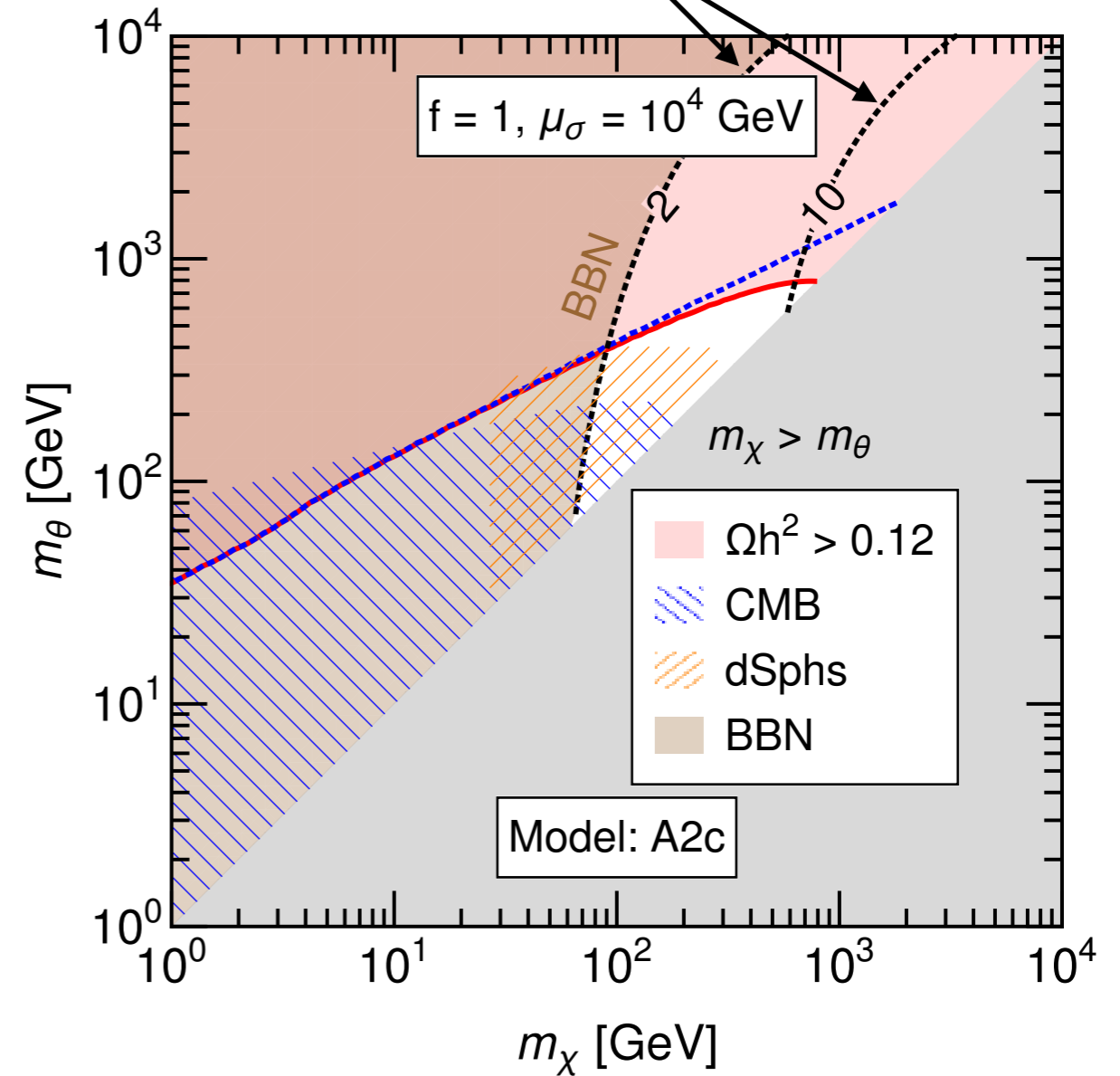
- ▶ Model A1 (w/ real scalar  $\phi$ ) [Escudero, Rius, Sanz, 1607.02373](#)  
[Batell, Han, Shams Es Haghi, 1704.08708](#)  
[Bandyopadhyay et al., 1807.05122](#)
- ▶ Model B2 (global  $B - L$ ) [Escudero, Rius, Sanz, 1606.01258](#)
- ▶ Model C2 (gauged  $B - L$ ) [Escudero, Witte, Rius, 1806.02823](#)

# Models A2

$\langle\sigma v\rangle_{\chi\chi\rightarrow NN}$  is  $s$ -wave



Contours of constant  $m_N$  generated @ 1 loop

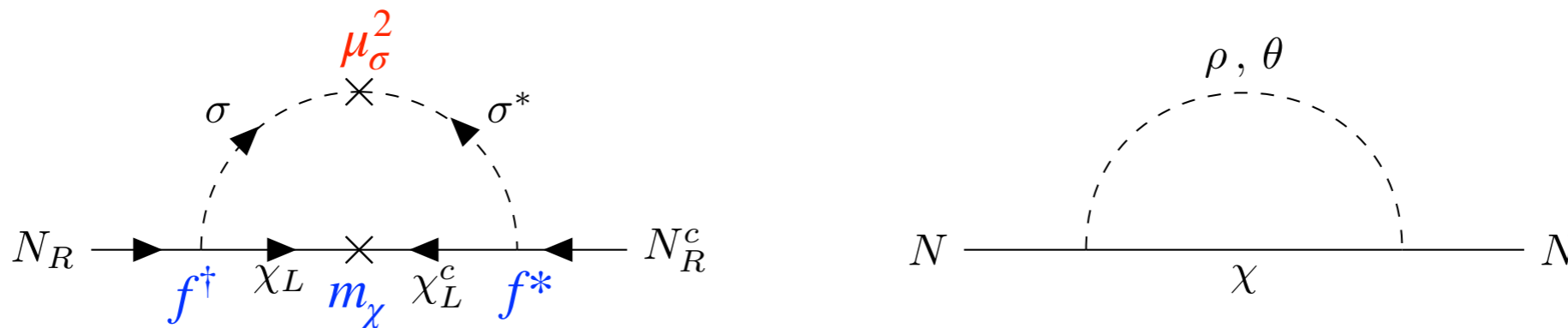


Indirect detection constraints from [Batell, Han, Shams Es Haghi, 1704.08708](#)

# Generation of $m_N$ in Model A2c

$$-\mathcal{L}_{A2c} \supset \frac{1}{2} m_\chi \bar{\chi}_L \chi_L^c + \frac{1}{2} \mu_\sigma^2 \sigma^2 + f \bar{N}_R \chi_L \sigma + \text{H.c.} \quad L(\sigma) = +1$$

soft breaking of  $L$



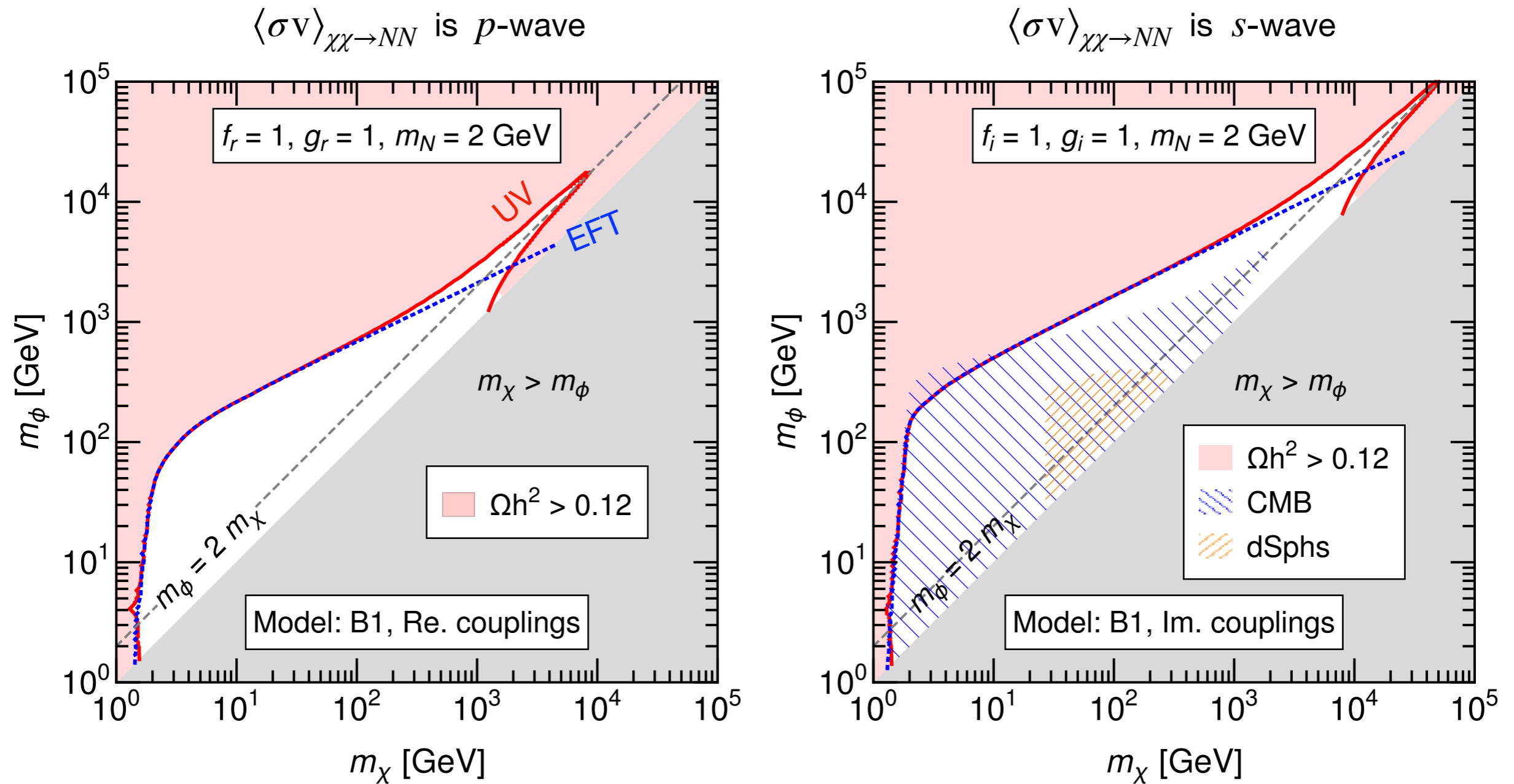
Scotogenic-like mass:

$$(m_N)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n_\chi} \frac{f_{ik}^* f_{jk}^* m_{\chi_k}}{32\pi^2} F(m_\rho^2, m_\theta^2, m_{\chi_k}^2) \approx \frac{\mu_\sigma^2}{16\pi^2 m_\sigma^2} \sum_{k=1}^{n_\chi} f_{ik}^* f_{jk}^* m_{\chi_k}$$

for  $m_{\chi_k} \ll m_\rho, m_\theta$  and  $m_\rho \simeq m_\theta \simeq m_\sigma$

$$F(x, y, z) = \frac{x}{x-z} \log\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) - \frac{y}{y-z} \log\left(\frac{y}{z}\right)$$

# Model B1



Indirect detection constraints from [Batell, Han, Shams Es Haghi, 1704.08708](#)

# Conclusions

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- ▶ The **sterile neutrino portal** to dark matter constitutes a viable option
- ▶ If dark sector particles are heavier than  $N$  and  $\chi$ , DM–sterile neutrino interactions can be parameterised by 4-fermion operators:  
3 portal operators “ $NN\chi\chi$ ” (for 1 generation of  $N$  and  $\chi$ )
- ▶ **Genuine models** (generating at  $D \leq 6$  only portal operators) involve  $t$ -channel scalars charged under a stabilising  $Z_2$  symmetry; **non-genuine models** contain  $s$ -channel scalars/vector bosons neutral under  $Z_2$
- ▶ Indirect detection experiments constrain the parameter space of the models, except for the cases when  $\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi\chi \rightarrow NN}$  is  $p$ -wave
- ▶ In Model A2c, characterised by soft breaking of  $L$  in the scalar potential, finite  $m_N$  is generated at 1 loop

# Back-up

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# Models A

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Model A1: real scalar  $\phi$  **charged** under  $Z_2$

$$\mathcal{L}_{A1} = \mathcal{L}_4 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \phi)(\partial^\mu \phi) - V(\phi, H) - [f\bar{N}_R \chi_L \phi + \text{H.c.}]$$

$$V(\phi, H) = \frac{1}{2}m_\phi^2 \phi^2 + \lambda_{\phi H} \phi^2 |H|^2 + \lambda_\phi \phi^4$$

Model A2: complex scalar  $\sigma = (\rho + i\theta)/\sqrt{2}$  **charged** under  $Z_2$  and  $U(1)_L$

$$L(N_R) = L(\sigma) = +1$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{A2} = \mathcal{L}_4 + (\partial_\mu \sigma)^*(\partial^\mu \sigma) - V(\sigma, H) - [f\bar{N}_R \chi_L \sigma + \text{H.c.}]$$

$$V(\sigma, H) = m_\sigma^2 |\sigma|^2 + \lambda_{\sigma H} |\sigma|^2 |H|^2 + \lambda_\sigma |\sigma|^4$$

- ▶ A2a:  $m_N = 0$  in  $\mathcal{L}_4 \Rightarrow U(1)_L$  is **unbroken**
- ▶ A2b:  $m_N \neq 0$  in  $\mathcal{L}_4$
- ▶ A2c:  $m_N = 0$  in  $\mathcal{L}_4$  and  $V(\sigma, H) \rightarrow V(\sigma, H) - \left[ \frac{1}{2} \mu_\sigma^2 \sigma^2 + \text{H.c.} \right] \Rightarrow U(1)_L$  is **softly broken**

# Models B

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Model B1: real scalar  $\phi$  neutral under  $Z_2$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{B1}} = \mathcal{L}_4 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \phi)(\partial^\mu \phi) - V(\phi, H) - [f\bar{N}_R^c N_R \phi + g\bar{\chi}_L^c \chi_L \phi + \text{H.c.}]$$

$$V(\phi, H) = \frac{1}{2}m_\phi^2 \phi^2 + \mu_\phi \phi^3 + \lambda_\phi \phi^4 + \mu_{\phi H} \phi |H|^2 + \lambda_{\phi H} \phi^2 |H|^2$$

Model B2: complex scalar  $\sigma$  neutral under  $Z_2$ , but charged under global  $U(1)_{B-L}$

$$L(N_R) = L(\chi_L^c) = 1 \text{ and } L(\sigma) = -2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{B2}} = \mathcal{L}_4|_{m_N=m_\chi=0} + (\partial_\mu \sigma)^*(\partial^\mu \sigma) - V(\sigma, H) - [f\bar{N}_R^c N_R \sigma + g\bar{\chi}_L^c \chi_L^c \sigma + \text{H.c.}]$$

$$V(\sigma, H) = m_\sigma^2 |\sigma|^2 + \lambda_{\sigma H} |\sigma|^2 |H|^2 + \lambda_\sigma |\sigma|^4$$

Model B2 has been studied in detail in [Escudero, Rius, Sanz, 1606.01258](#)

# Models C

Model C1: massive vector boson  $Z'_\mu$  neutral under  $Z_2$  (effective model)

$$\mathcal{L}_{C1} = \mathcal{L}_4 - \frac{1}{4} Z'_{\mu\nu} Z'^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_{Z'}^2 Z'_\mu Z'^\mu + g_N \bar{N}_R \gamma^\mu N_R Z'_\mu + g_\chi \bar{\chi}_L \gamma^\mu \chi_L Z'_\mu$$

In general, kinetic mixing  $\epsilon Z'_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu}$  and mass mixing  $\delta m^2 Z'_\mu Z^\mu$  are also allowed

Model C2: gauged  $U(1)_{B-L}$  (anomaly free with 2  $N_R$  and 1  $\chi_L$ )

	$Q$	$u_R$	$d_R$	$L$	$e_R$	$N_R^{1,2}$	$\chi_L$	$\sigma$
$U(1)_{B-L}$	+1/3	+1/3	+1/3	-1	-1	-1	+1	+2

$$\mathcal{L}_{C2} = \mathcal{L}_{B2} - \frac{1}{4} Z'_{\mu\nu} Z'^{\mu\nu}$$

$$D_\mu = D_\mu^{\text{SM}} - ig' Q_{B-L} Z'_\mu$$

Model C2 has been studied in detail in [Escudero, Witte, Rius, 1806.02823](#)

# More on Model B2

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We can parameterise the complex scalar as

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v_\sigma + s) e^{iJ/v_\sigma} . \quad (38)$$

Then  $J$  corresponds to the (massless) Goldstone boson, the Majoron, and  $s$  is the radial excitation. In this parameterisation,  $J$  is not present in the potential and appears in the Lagrangian only through the kinetic term

$$(\partial_\mu \sigma)^* (\partial^\mu \sigma) = \frac{1}{2} (\partial s)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial J)^2 + \frac{1}{v_\sigma} s (\partial J)^2 + \frac{1}{2v_\sigma^2} s^2 (\partial J)^2 , \quad (39)$$

and the Yukawa interactions in Eq. (37). Further, we can rotate the fields carrying non-zero lepton number, namely,  $\Psi = N_R, \chi_L^c, L$  and  $e_R$ , as

$$\Psi \rightarrow e^{-iJ/(2v_\sigma)} \Psi , \quad (40)$$

and remove  $J$  from all Yukawa interactions. After this transformation, the kinetic terms for the fermions  $\Psi$  will induce

$$\mathcal{O}_{\Psi J} = (\bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \Psi) (\partial_\mu J) \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{c_{\Psi J}}{\Lambda} = \frac{1}{2v_\sigma} . \quad (41)$$

In this way, the derivative nature of Goldstone boson's couplings is manifest. It is worth noting that, despite having  $D = 5$ , this operator is not related to integrating out a heavy mediator, but is a consequence of the non-linear field redefinition performed in Eq. (40).

# More on Model B2

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On top of the interactions given in Tab. 3, there is a  $D = 6$  operator describing the Higgs–Majoron interaction (cf. Ref. [60]):

$$\mathcal{O}_{HJ} = |H|^2 (\partial J)^2 \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{c_{HJ}}{\Lambda^2} = -\frac{\lambda_{\sigma H}}{m_s^2} = -\frac{\lambda_{\sigma H}}{2\lambda_\sigma v_\sigma^2}. \quad (42)$$

It is interesting to note that the  $|H|^6$  operator is not generated at tree level due to a peculiar cancellation coming from the  $s^3$  and  $s^2|H|^2$  terms in the potential upon using the equation of motion for  $s$  and the relation between  $m_s$  and  $v_\sigma$ . (This had been previously noted in Ref. [61].) Finally, the parameters of the SM potential,

$$V_{\text{SM}} = m_H^2 |H|^2 + \lambda_H |H|^4, \quad (43)$$

get shifted as

$$m_H^2 \rightarrow m_H^2 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_{\sigma H} v_\sigma^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_H \rightarrow \lambda_H - \frac{\lambda_{\sigma H}^2}{4\lambda_\sigma}. \quad (44)$$

# More on Model C2

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Apart from the operators summarised in Tab. 3, we find the following four-fermion interactions:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\psi\psi} = (\bar{\psi}\gamma_\mu\psi)(\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi), \quad (48)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{N\psi} = (\bar{N}_R\gamma_\mu N_R)(\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi), \quad (49)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\chi\psi} = (\bar{\chi}_L\gamma_\mu\chi_L)(\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi), \quad (50)$$

where  $\psi$  stands for the SM fermions, *i.e.*  $\psi = L, e_R, Q, u_R, d_R$ . The corresponding Wilson coefficients read:

$$\frac{c_{\psi\psi}}{\Lambda^2} = -\frac{g'^2 Q_\psi^2}{2m_{Z'}^2}, \quad \frac{c_{N\psi}}{\Lambda^2} = -\frac{g'^2 Q_N Q_\psi}{m_{Z'}^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{c_{\chi\psi}}{\Lambda^2} = -\frac{g'^2 Q_\chi Q_\psi}{m_{Z'}^2}. \quad (51)$$

Here  $Q_\psi$ ,  $Q_N$  and  $Q_\chi$  denote the  $B - L$  charges of  $\psi$ ,  $N_R$  and  $\chi_L$ , respectively, see Tab. 4.

# Annihilation cross sections

Model A2b ( $f$  real):

$$r_i \equiv m_i/m_\chi$$

$$a = \frac{f^4}{16\pi m_\chi^2} \frac{r_N^2 \sqrt{1 - r_N^2}}{(1 + r_\sigma^2 - r_N^2)^2}$$

Model A2c ( $f$  real):

$$a = \frac{f^4}{64\pi m_\chi^2} \frac{\sqrt{1 - r_N^2} \left( r_\rho^2 - r_\theta^2 - (2 + r_\rho^2 + r_\theta^2) r_N + 2r_N^3 \right)^2}{(1 + r_\rho^2 - r_N^2)^2 (1 + r_\theta^2 - r_N^2)^2}$$

Model B1 ( $f$  and  $g$  complex):

$$f = f_r + i f_i$$

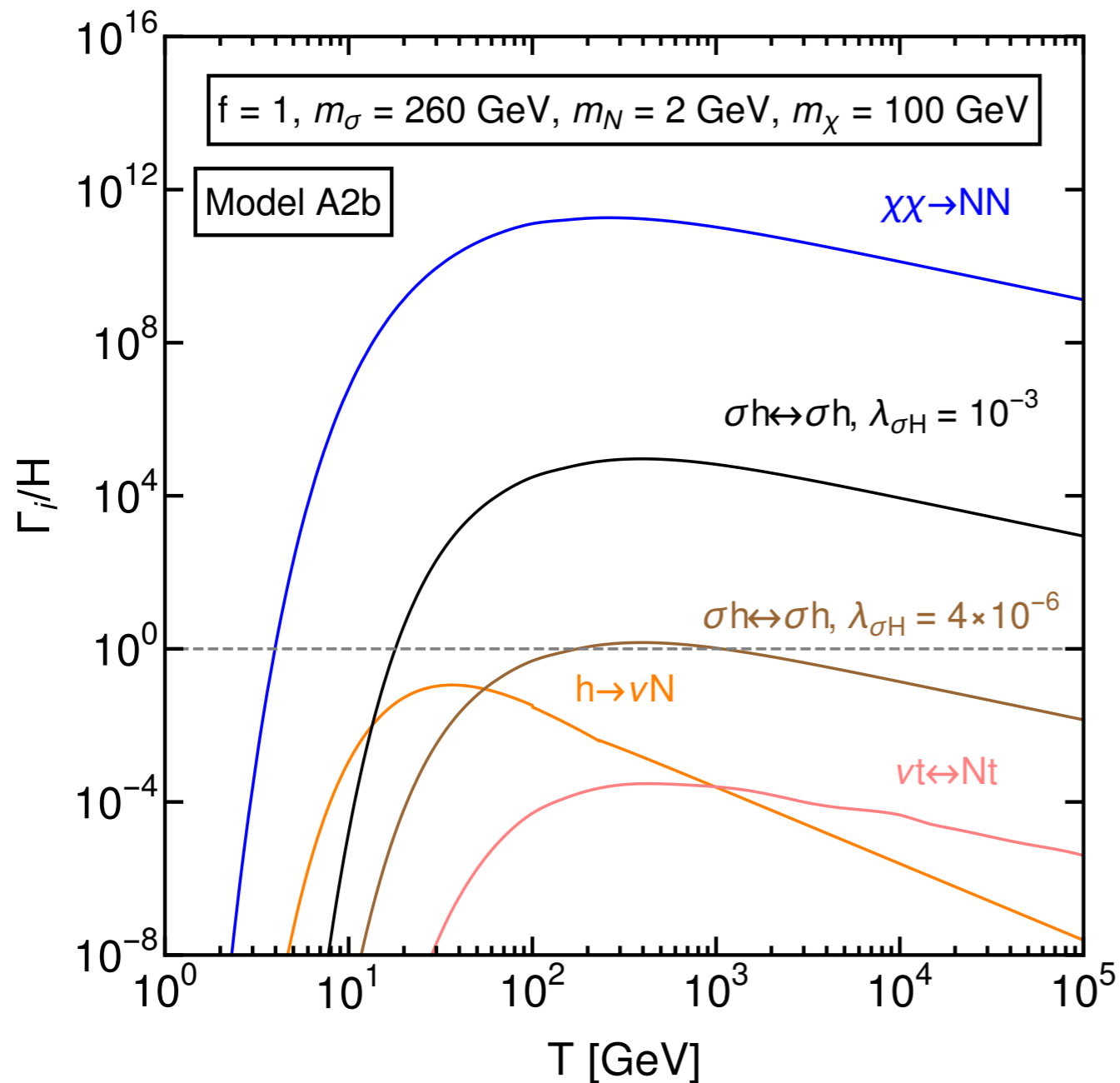
$$g = g_r + i g_i$$

$$a = \frac{4g_i^2}{\pi m_\chi^2} \frac{\sqrt{1 - r_N^2}}{(r_\phi^2 - 4)^2} \left[ f_i^2 + f_r^2 (1 - r_N^2) \right]$$

$$f \text{ and } g \text{ real: } a = 0 \quad b = \frac{4f_r^2 g_r^2 (1 - r_N^2)^{3/2}}{\pi m_\chi^2 (r_\phi^2 - 4)^2} \quad f \text{ and } g \text{ complex: } a = \frac{4f_i^2 g_i^2 \sqrt{1 - r_N^2}}{\pi m_\chi^2 (r_\phi^2 - 4)^2}$$

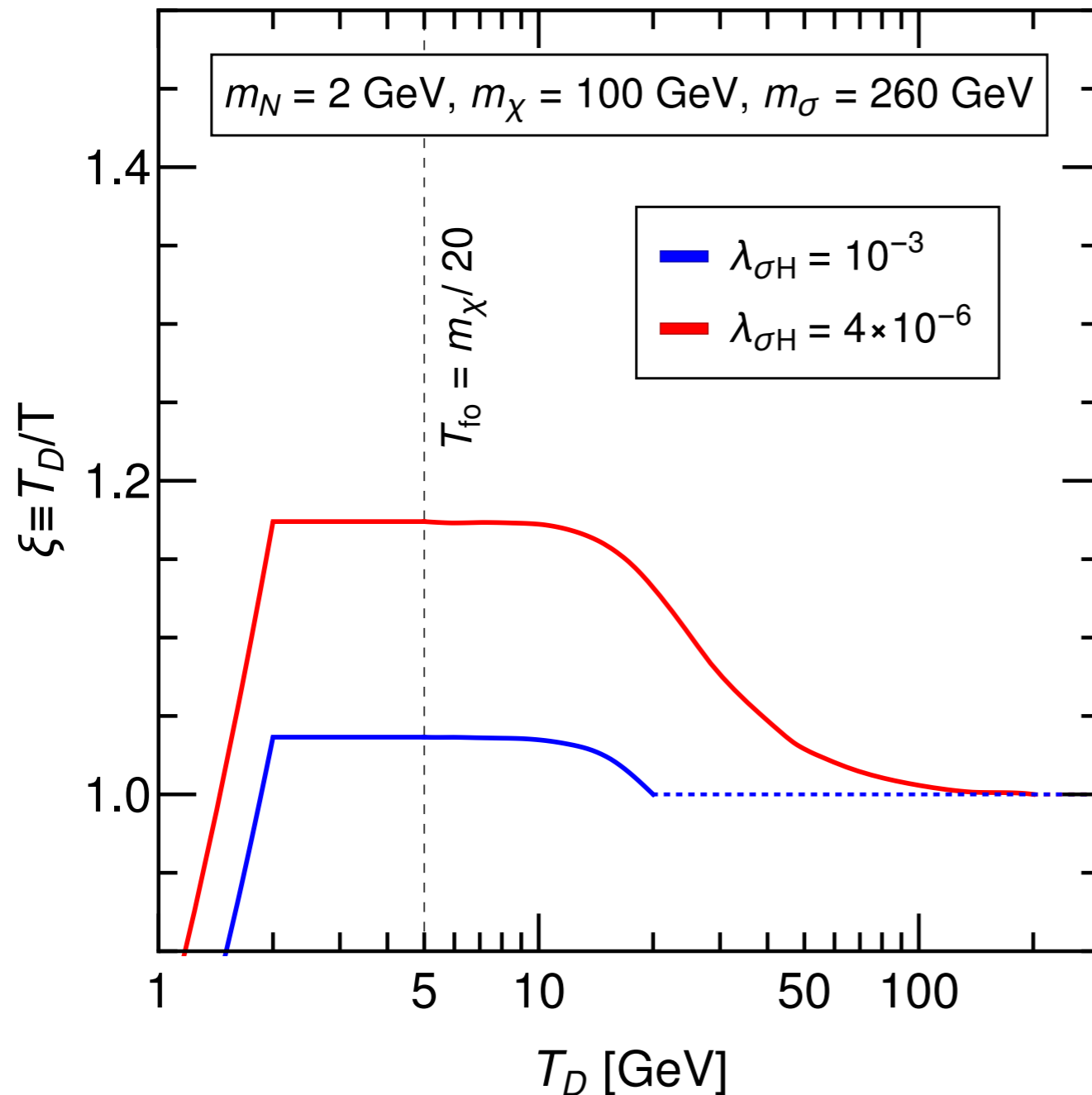


# Thermal equilibrium



- ▶ Chemical freeze-out of  $\chi\chi \rightarrow NN$
- ▶  $y_\nu \approx 5 \times 10^{-8}$  fixed by the seesaw relation assuming  $m_\nu \approx 0.05 \text{ eV}$
- ▶ Kinetic equilibrium with the SM is maintained (up to a certain  $T$ ) by  $\lambda_{\sigma H} |\sigma|^2 |H|^2$  if  $\lambda_{\sigma H} \gtrsim 10^{-6}$
- ▶ Kinetic equilibrium within the dark sector is ensured for  $m_N \lesssim m_\chi/20$ , when  $N$  is relativistic at DM freeze-out

# Dark sector temperature



Assumption: entropy is conserved individually in the visible and dark sectors

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$$\frac{s_D}{s_{\text{SM}}} = \frac{s_D}{s_{\text{SM}}} \Big|_{T=T_{\text{kd}}}$$

$$s_{\text{SM}} = \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_*(T) T^3$$

$$s_D = \frac{\rho_D(T_D) + p_D(T_D)}{T_D}$$

$$\frac{\Omega h^2}{(\Omega h^2)_{\text{std}}} \propto \xi \sqrt{\frac{g_*^{\text{eff}}}{g_*}} \approx 1 \div 1.2$$

$$g_*^{\text{eff}} = g_* + g_D \xi^4$$