

# Impact of Sommerfeld Enhancement and Bound State Effects on Simplified Dark Matter Models

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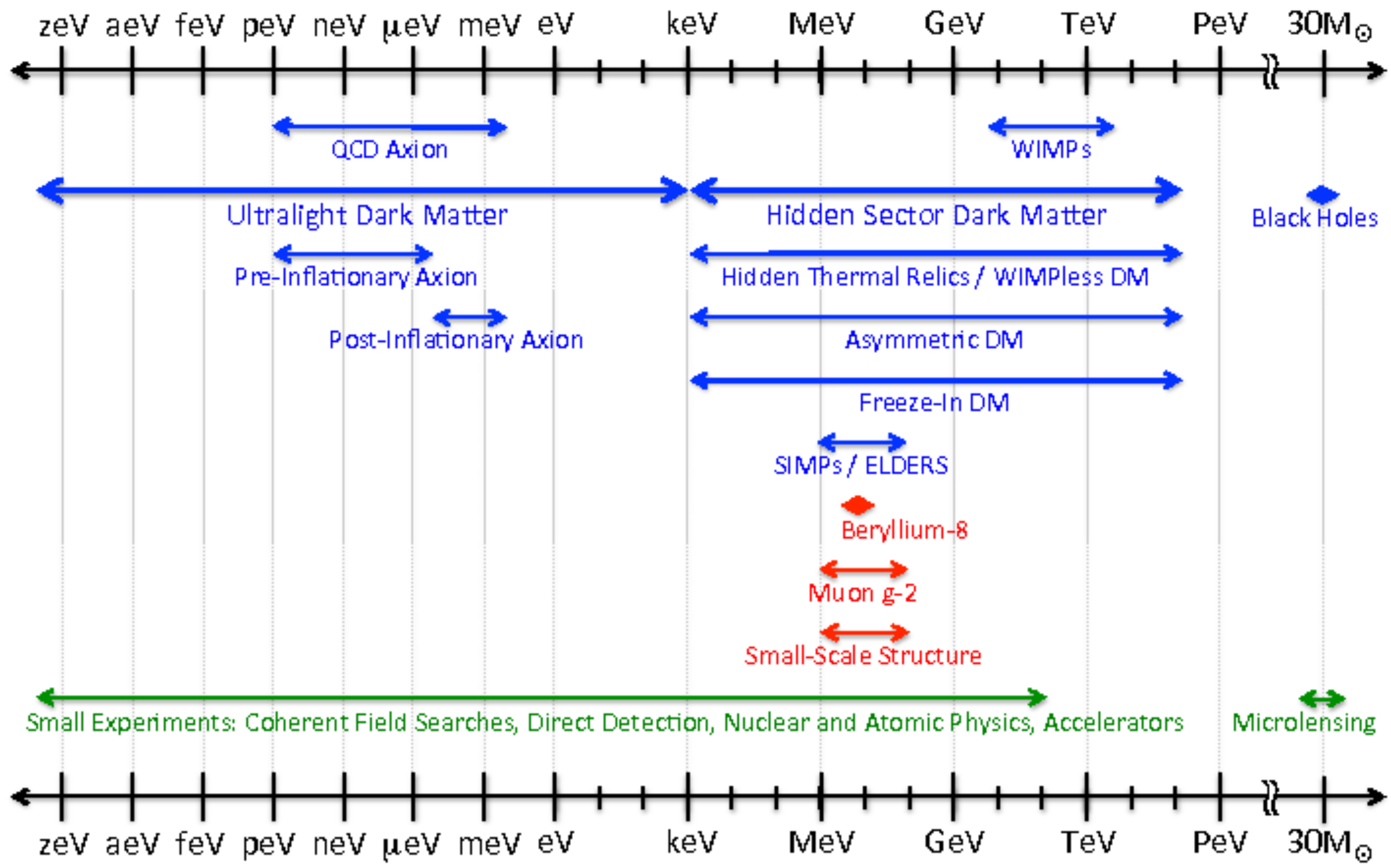


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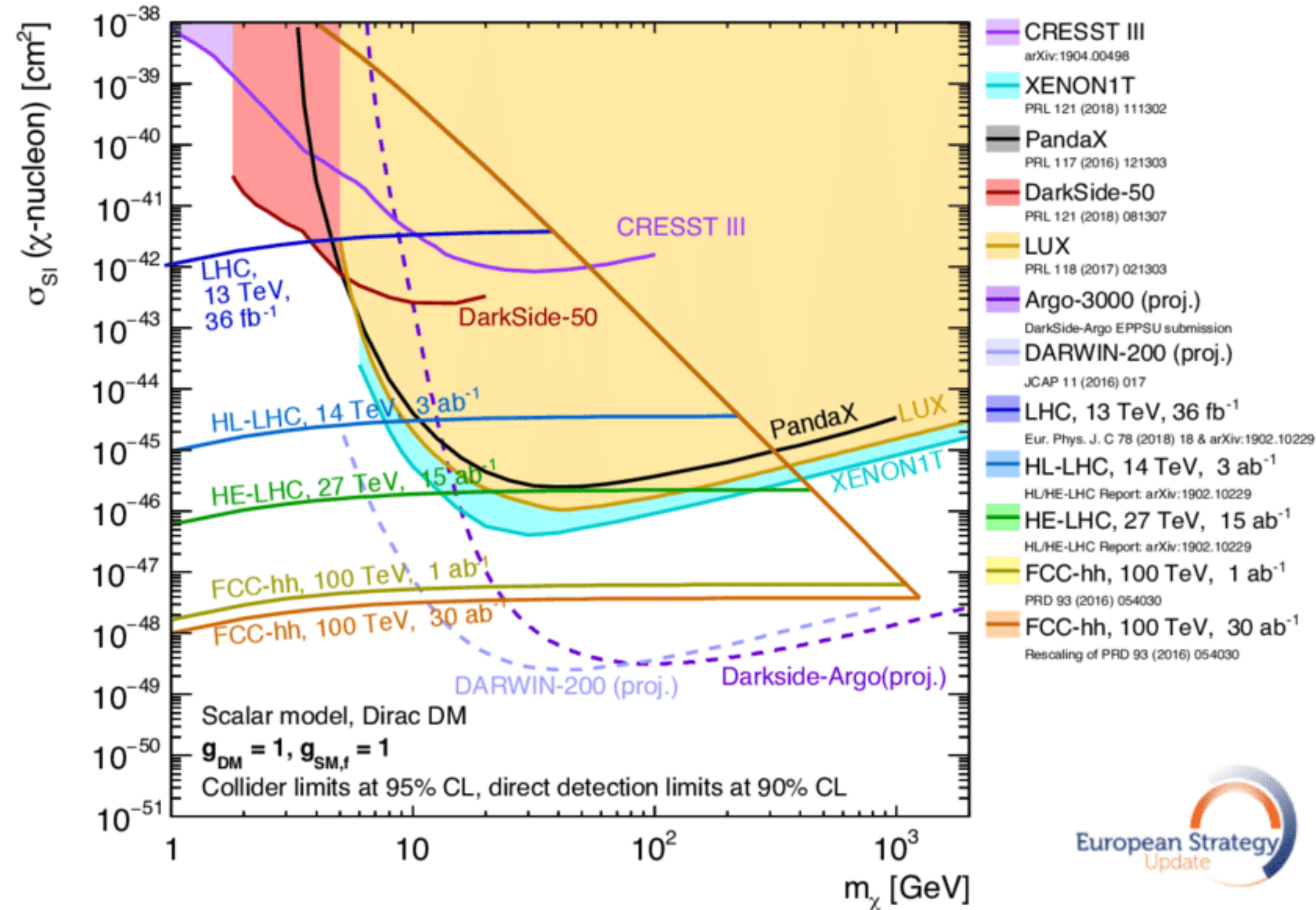
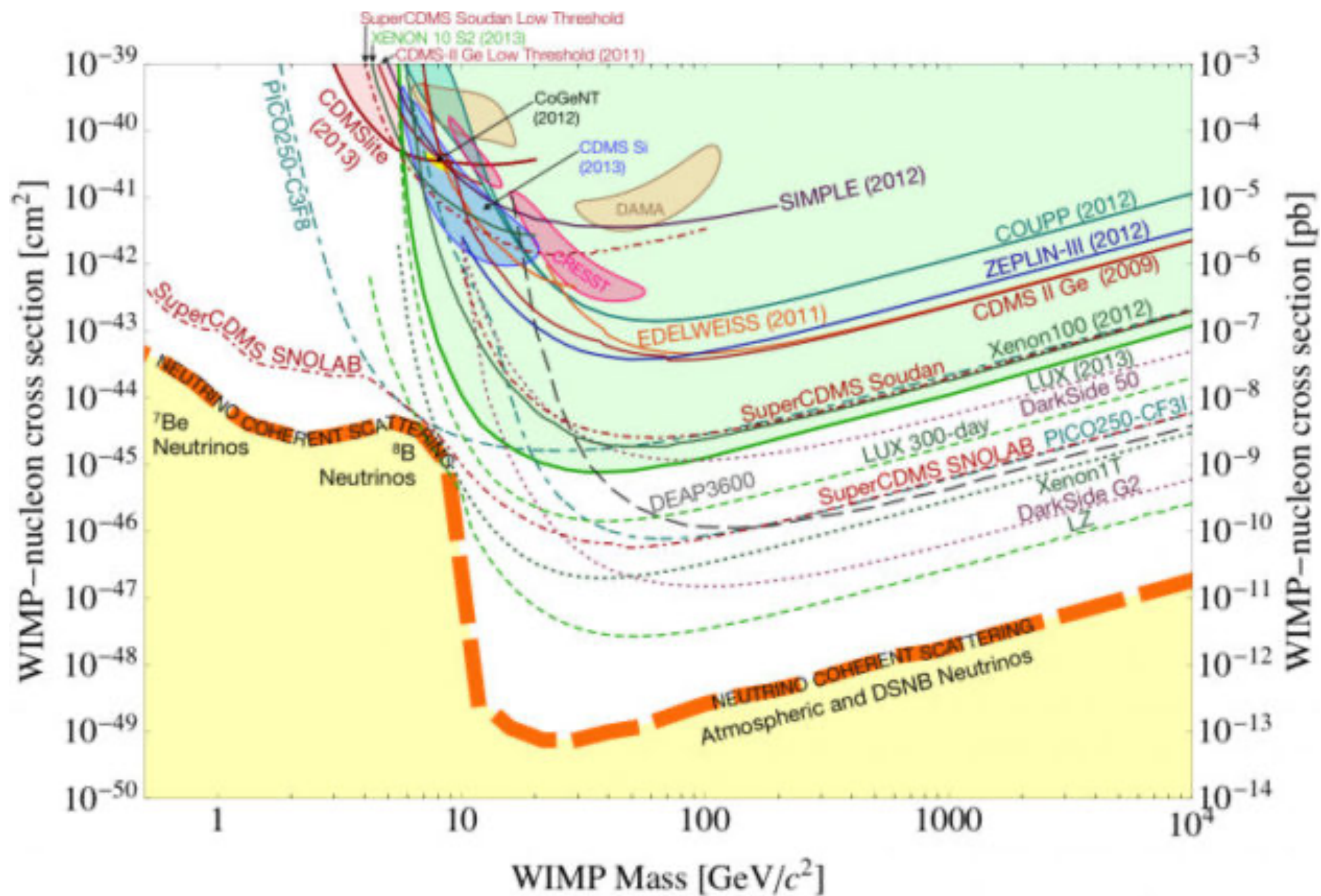
# Evidence for Dark Matter

## Dark Sector Candidates, Anomalies, and Search Techniques





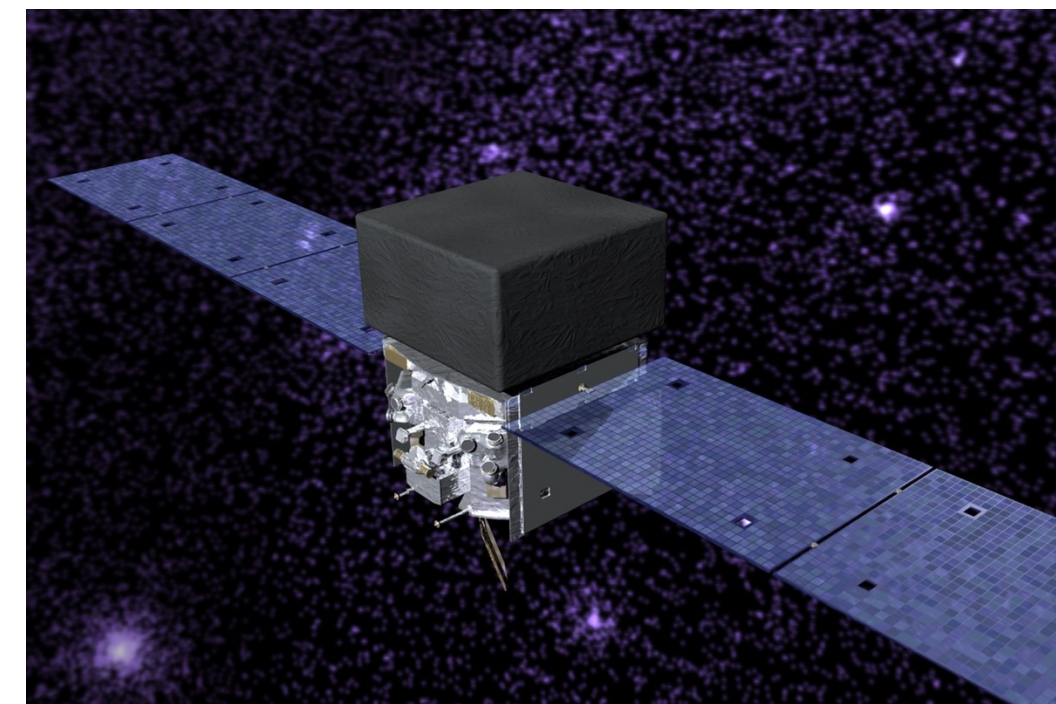
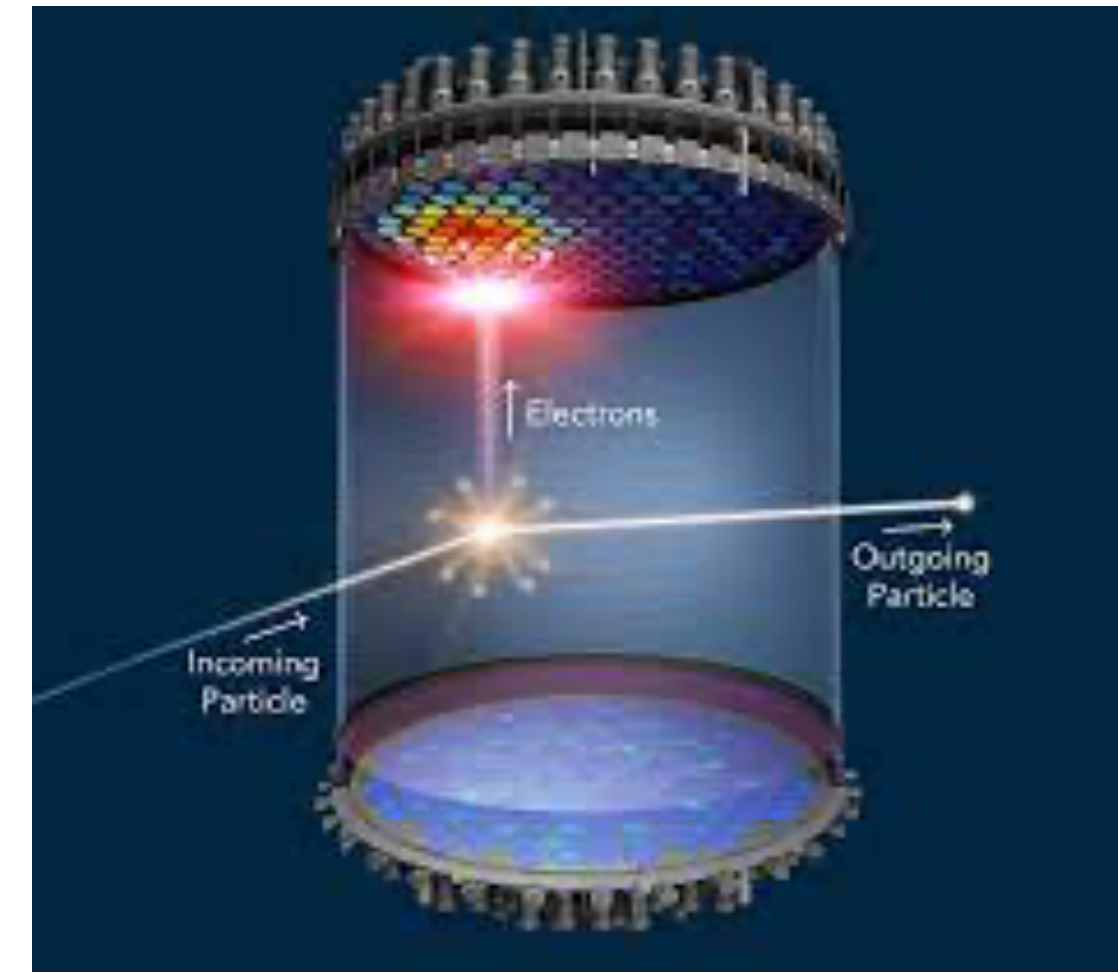
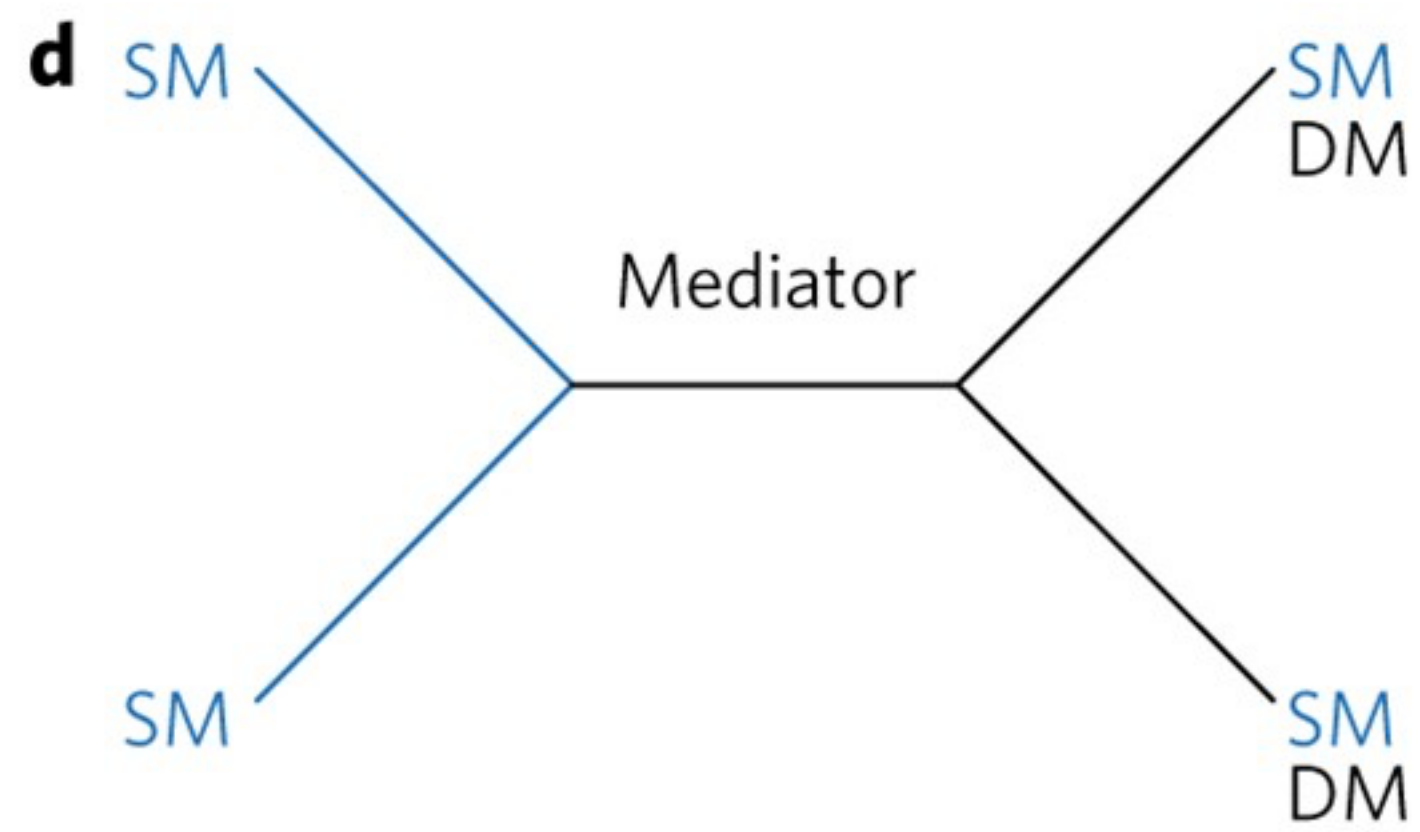
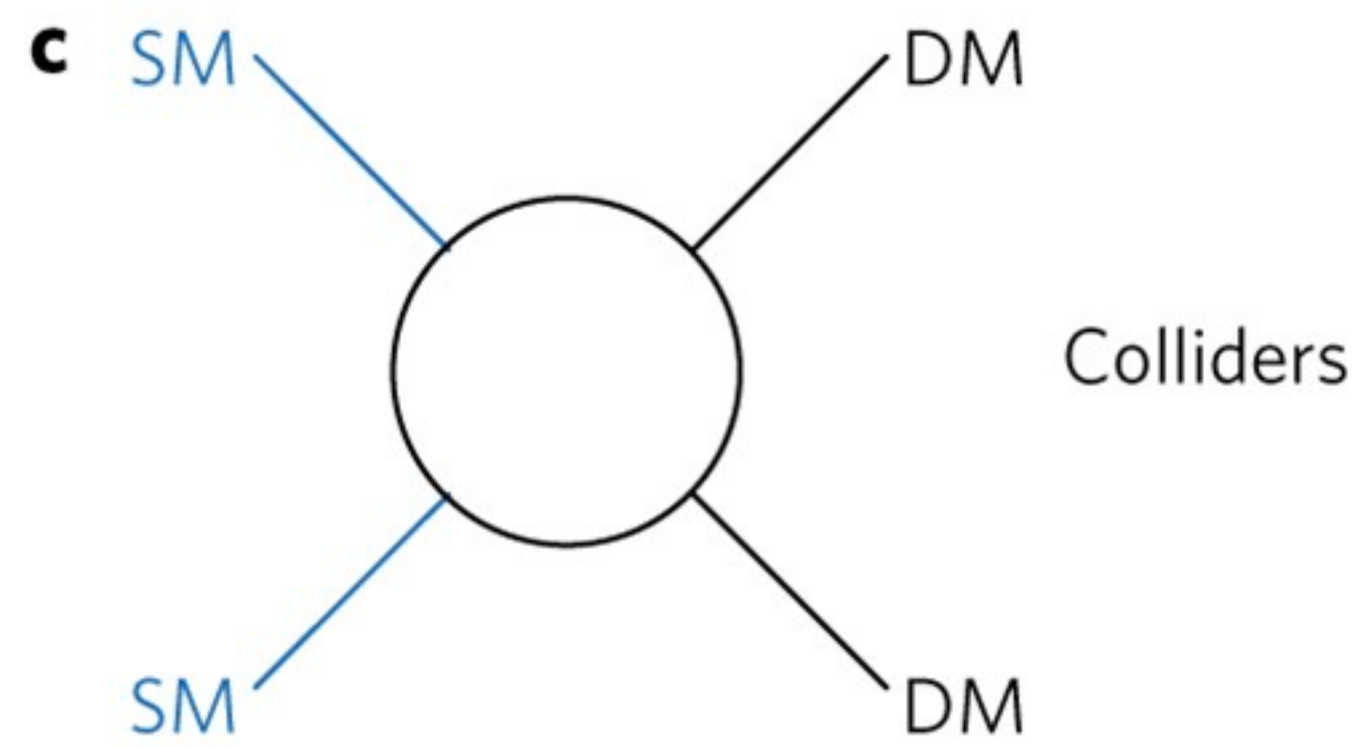
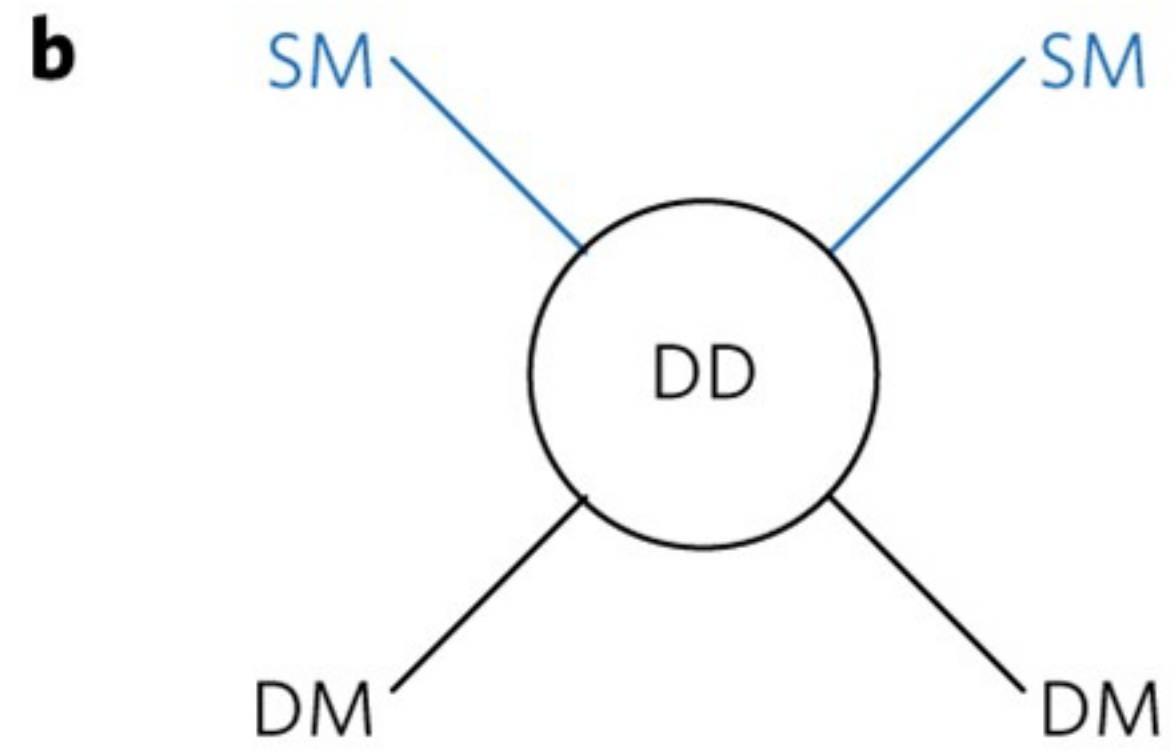
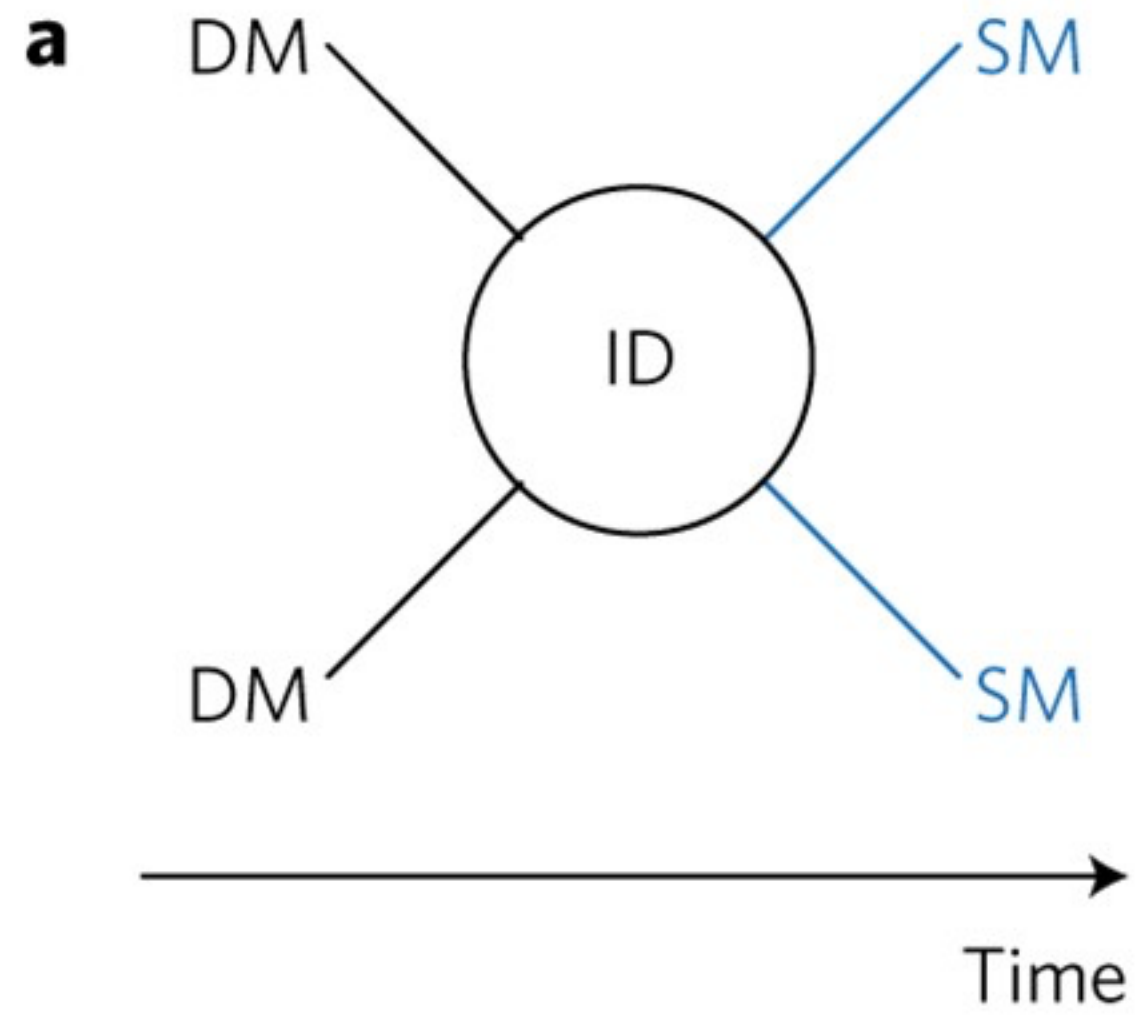
# Limits on WIMP Dark Matter



Can we improve limits, open up new parameter space for WIMPS ?



# Simplified Models





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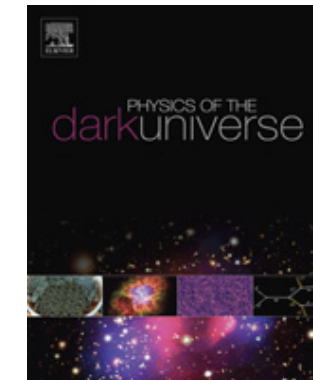
## Going beyond effective interactions

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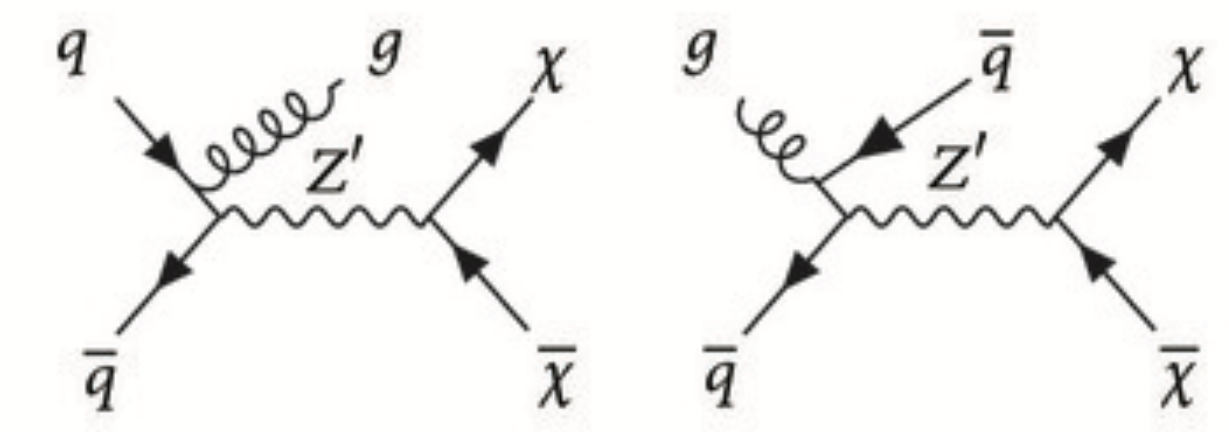


### Simplified models for dark matter searches at the LHC

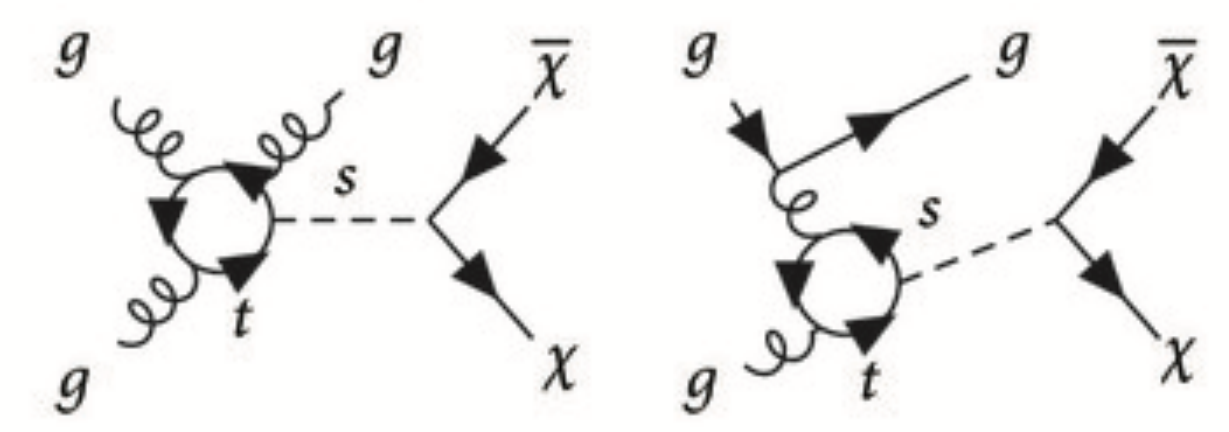
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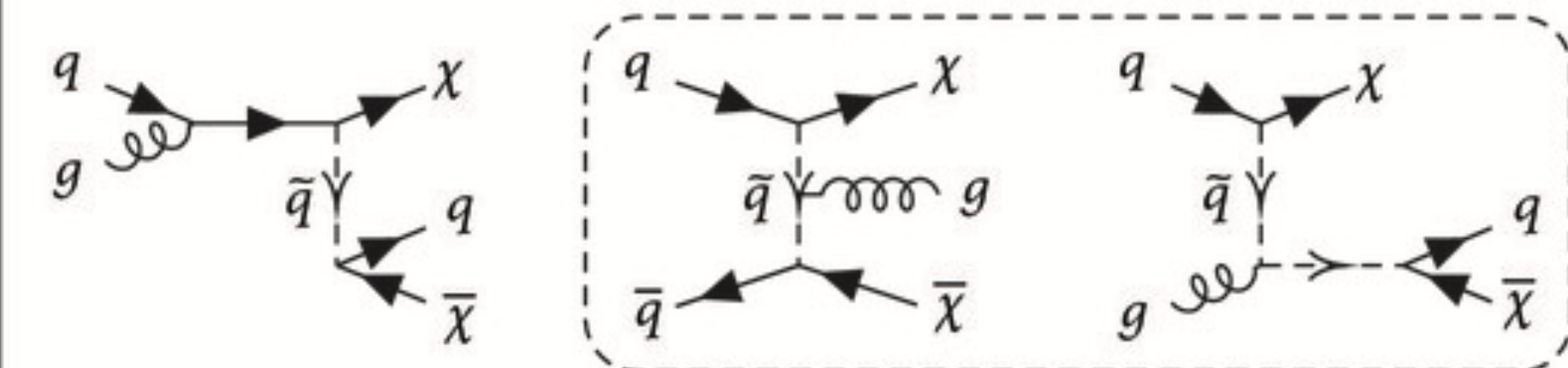
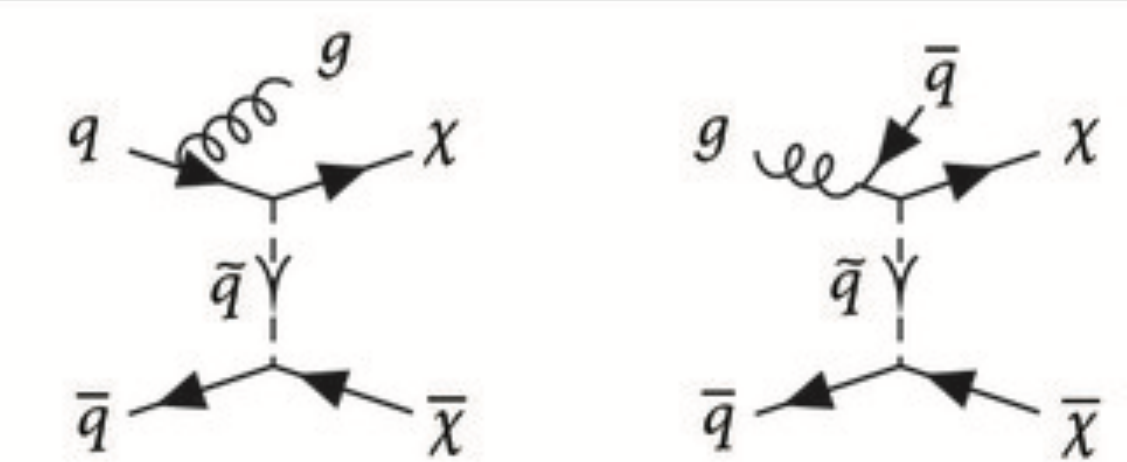
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# A Simplified Dark Matter Model

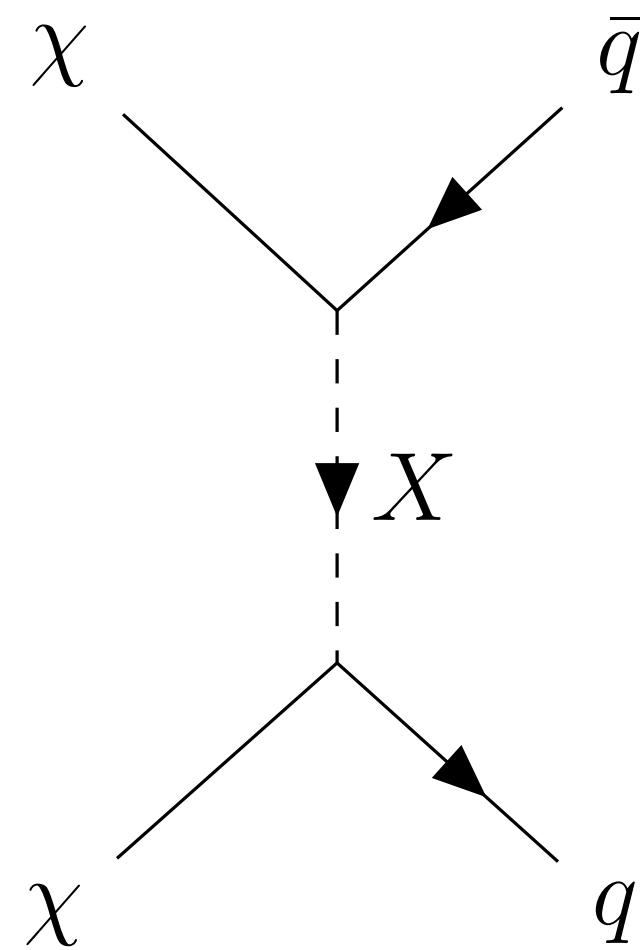
$$\mathcal{L} \supset \sum_i (D_\mu X_i)^\dagger (D^\mu X_i) + \sum_{i,j} \left( g_{\text{DM},ij} X_i^\dagger \bar{\chi} P_R q_j + g_{\text{DM},ij}^* X_i \bar{q}_j P_L \chi \right)$$

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$U_R$

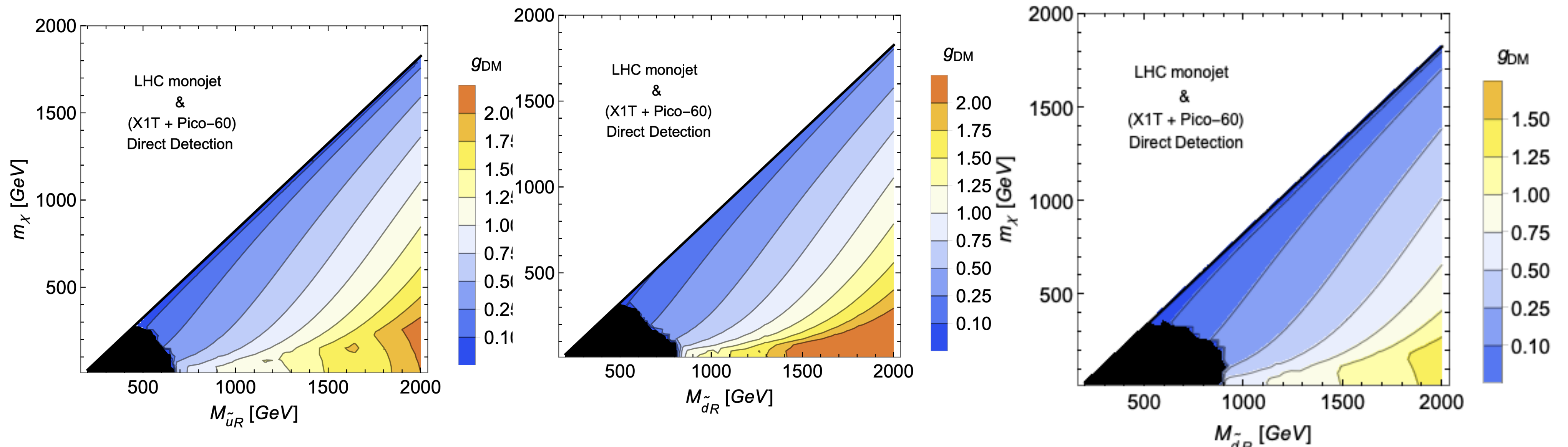
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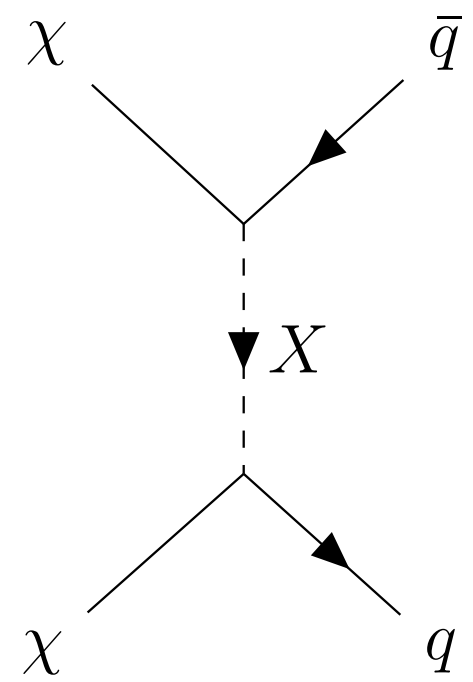


A Majorana Fermion Dark Matter interacting with Colored Scalar Mediators

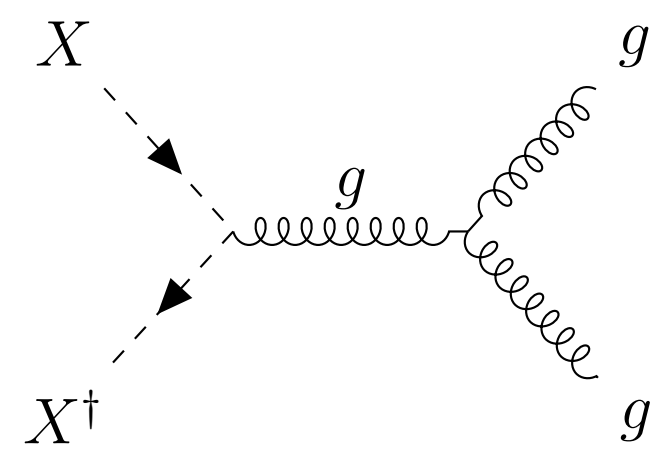
$$\langle \sigma v \rangle \simeq N_c^f g_{\text{DM}}^4 \left[ \frac{m_f^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_f^2}{m_\chi^2}}}{64\pi (m_{\tilde{q}}^2 + m_\chi^2 - m_f^2)^2} + \beta^2 \left\{ \frac{m_\chi^2 \sqrt{m_\chi^4 + m_{\tilde{q}}^4}}{32\pi (m_\chi^2 + m_{\tilde{q}}^2)^4} + \mathcal{O}(m_f^2) \right\} \right]$$



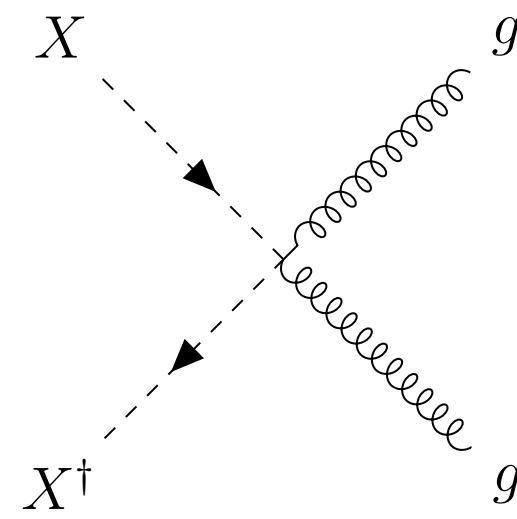
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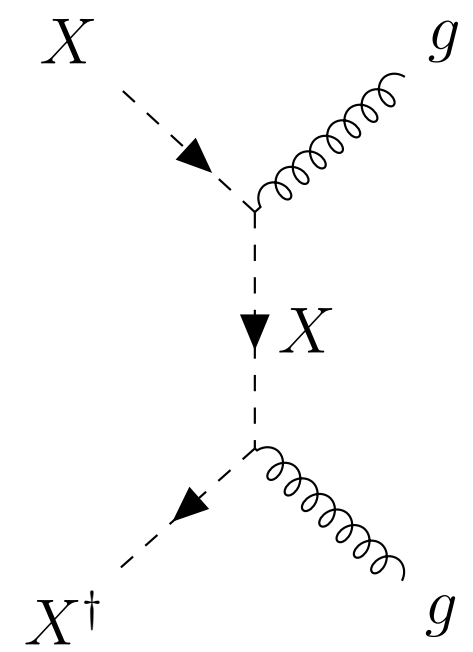
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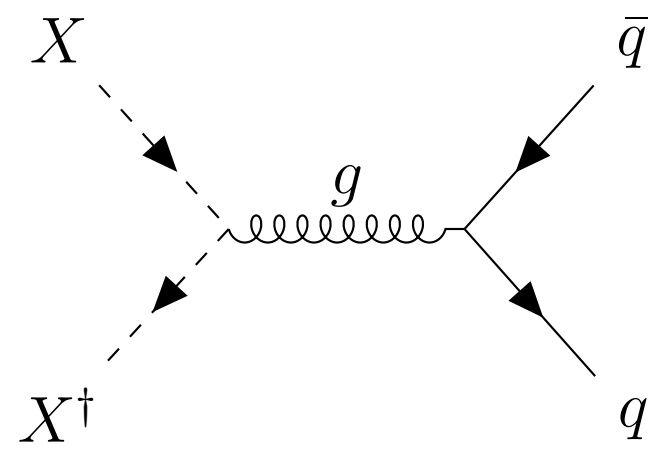
(b) Colored Annihilation



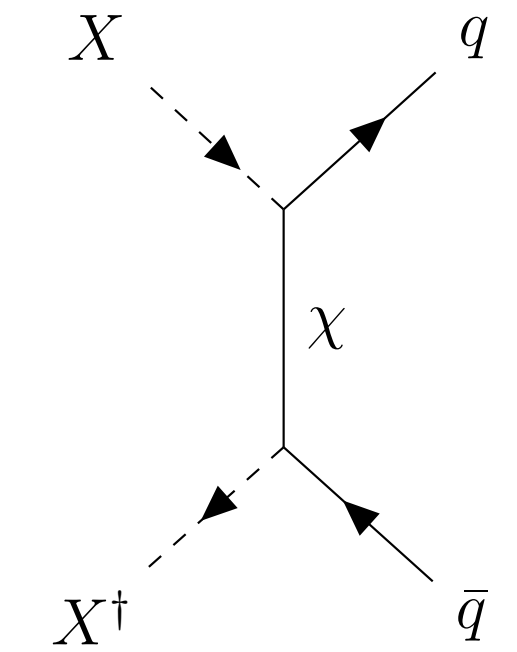
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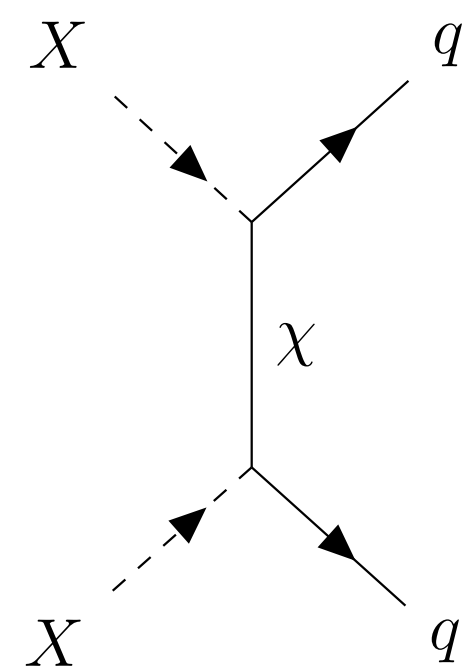
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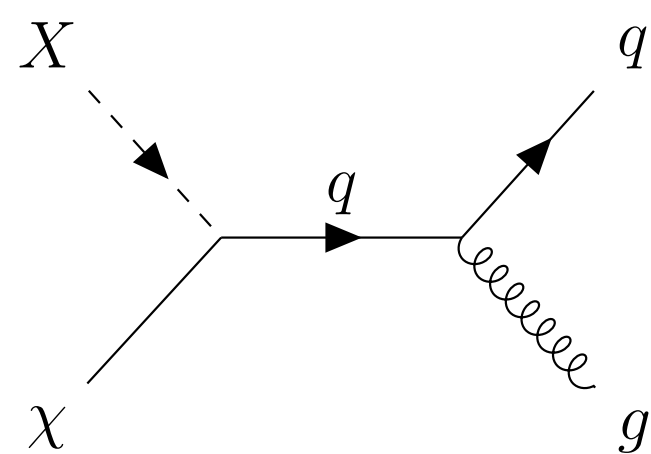
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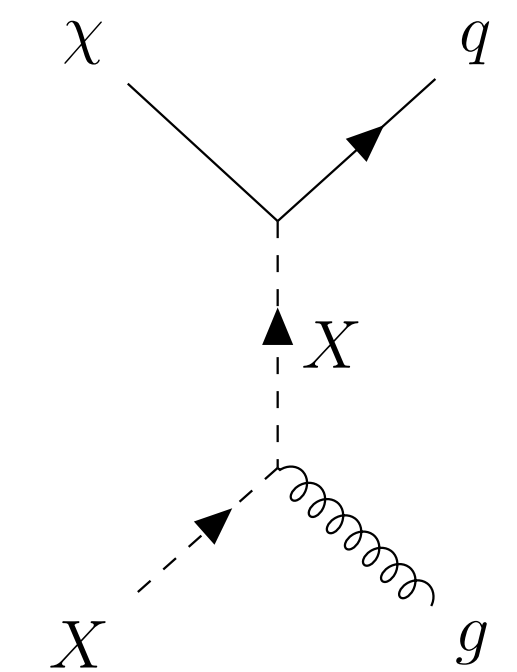
(f) Colored Annihilation



(g) Colored Annihilation



(h) Co-annihilation



(i) Co-annihilation

$$\tilde{Y} = Y_\chi + \sum_{i=u,c,t} \left( Y_{X_i} + Y_{X_i^\dagger} \right) = Y_\chi + 2 \sum_{i=u,c,t} Y_{X_i}$$

$$\frac{d\tilde{Y}}{dx} = -c g_{*,\text{eff}}^{1/2} \frac{\langle \sigma_{\text{eff}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle}{x^2} \left( \tilde{Y}^2 - \tilde{Y}_{\text{eq}}^2 \right)$$

$$Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} \simeq \frac{90}{(2\pi)^{7/2}} \frac{g_\chi}{g_{*S}} x^{3/2} e^{-x},$$

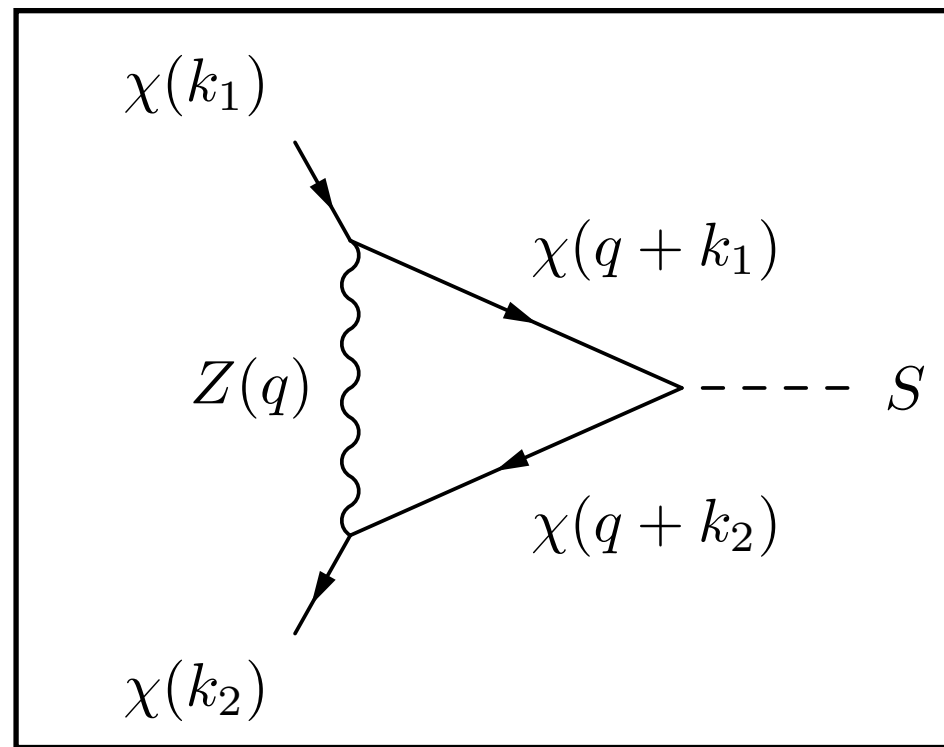
$$Y_X^{\text{eq}} = Y_{X^\dagger}^{\text{eq}} \simeq \frac{90}{(2\pi)^{7/2}} \frac{g_X}{g_{*S}} [(1 + \delta)x]^{3/2} e^{-(1+\delta)x},$$

$$\delta \equiv \frac{m_X - m_\chi}{m_\chi} \equiv \frac{\Delta m}{m_\chi}, \quad \Delta m \equiv m_X - m_\chi$$



# Sommerfeld Enhancement

## Radiative Corrections in annihilation



In the non-relativistic limit loop scales as

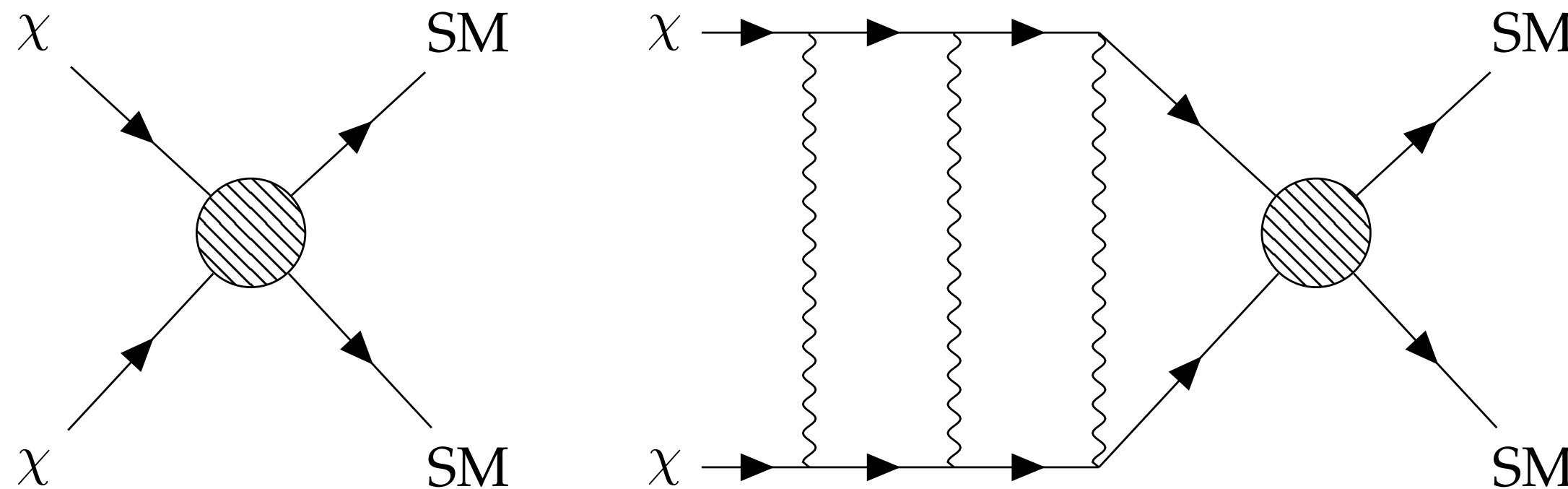
$$\frac{v}{v^2 + \frac{m_Z^2}{m_\chi^2}} \xrightarrow{m_\chi \gg m_Z} \frac{1}{v}$$

$$V(r) = \frac{g_Z^2 \delta e^{-\delta r}}{1 - e^{-\delta r}}$$

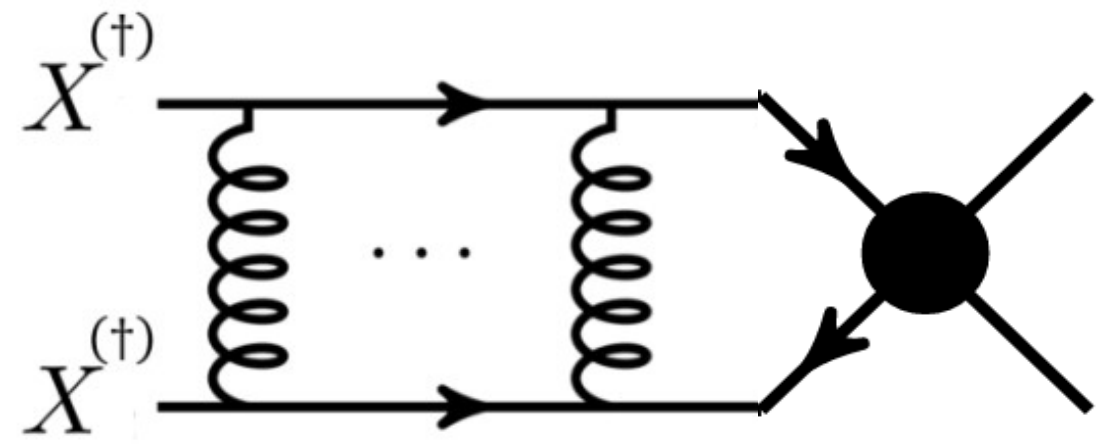
$$\delta \approx \frac{\pi^2}{6} m_Z$$

Large Enhancements for slowly moving particles for massless gauge bosons

Treat it as a non-relativistic Schrodinger equation with a long range potential



# Sommerfeld Enhancement



n-gluon exchanges contribute with  $(\frac{\alpha}{v})^n$  for  $\alpha \sim v$

- Resummation required since  $\alpha \sim v$
- Reduces to Schrödinger Equation for  $v \ll 1$ .

## Modified Coannihilation [Ellis,Luo,Olive(2015)]

$$\langle \sigma_{\text{eff}} v \rangle = \sum_{i,j \in \{\chi, X\}} \langle \mathcal{S}(\alpha/v_{ij}) \cdot \sigma_{ij} v_{ij} \rangle \frac{n_i^{\text{eq}}}{n^{\text{eq}}} \frac{n_j^{\text{eq}}}{n^{\text{eq}}} + \langle \sigma_{\text{BSF}} v \rangle_{\text{eff}} \left( \frac{n_X^{\text{eq}}}{n^{\text{eq}}} \right)^2$$

# Color Decomposition and Sommerfeld Effect

A schematic color algebra of two incoming particles

$$\mathbf{R}_1 \otimes \mathbf{R}_2 = \bigoplus_{\hat{\mathbf{R}}} \hat{\mathbf{R}}$$

Gluonic Coulomb Potential

$$V_{[\hat{\mathbf{R}}]}(r) = -\frac{\alpha_g^{[\hat{\mathbf{R}}]}(Q)}{r}$$

$$\alpha_g^{[\hat{\mathbf{R}}]}(Q) = \alpha_s(Q) \times \frac{1}{2} [C_2(\mathbf{R}_1) + C_2(\mathbf{R}_2) - C_2(\hat{\mathbf{R}})] \equiv \alpha_s(Q) \times k_{[\hat{\mathbf{R}}]}$$

$$\mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}} = \mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{8} \text{ and } \mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3} = \bar{\mathbf{3}} \oplus \mathbf{6}$$

Sommerfeld Enhancement factor

$$\sigma_{\text{SE},[\mathbf{R}]} v_{\text{rel}} = c_{[\mathbf{R}]} S_{0,[\mathbf{R}]} \sigma_0$$

$$V(r)_{\mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}}} = \begin{cases} -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} & [\mathbf{1}] \\ +\frac{1}{6} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} & [\mathbf{8}] \end{cases} ; \quad V(r)_{\mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3}} = \begin{cases} -\frac{2}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} & [\bar{\mathbf{3}}] \\ +\frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} & [\mathbf{6}] \end{cases}$$

We will work in the most attractive singlet potential

# Color Decomposition and Sommerfeld Effect

$$\sigma_{\text{SE},[\mathbf{R}]} v_{\text{rel}} = c_{[\mathbf{R}]} S_{0,[\mathbf{R}]} \sigma_0$$

$$\sigma_{\mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rightarrow gg} v_{\text{rel}} = \sigma_{\mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rightarrow gg,0} \left( \frac{2}{7} S_{0,[\mathbf{1}]} + \frac{5}{7} S_{0,[\mathbf{8}]} \right),$$

$$\sigma_{\mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rightarrow q\bar{q}} v_{\text{rel}} = \sigma_{\mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}},0} \left( f_{[\mathbf{1}]}(g_s, g_{\text{DM}}) S_{0,[\mathbf{1}]} + f_{[\mathbf{8}]}(g_s, g_{\text{DM}}) S_{0,[\mathbf{8}]} \right)$$

$$\sigma_{\mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3} \rightarrow qq} v_{\text{rel}} = \sigma_{\mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3} \rightarrow qq,0} S_{0,[\mathbf{6}]},$$

$$\sigma_{\mathbf{3}_i \otimes \mathbf{3}_j \rightarrow q_i q_j} = \sigma_{\mathbf{3}_i \otimes \mathbf{3}_j \rightarrow q_i q_j,0} \left( \frac{1}{3} S_{0,[\bar{\mathbf{3}}]} + \frac{2}{3} S_{0,[\mathbf{6}]} \right).$$

$$S_{0,[\mathbf{1}]} = S_0 \left( \frac{4\alpha_s^S}{3v_{\text{rel}}} \right), \quad S_{0,[\mathbf{8}]} = S_0 \left( \frac{-\alpha_s^S}{6v_{\text{rel}}} \right), \quad S_{0,[\bar{\mathbf{3}}]} = S_0 \left( \frac{2\alpha_s^S}{3v_{\text{rel}}} \right), \quad S_{0,[\mathbf{6}]} = S_0 \left( \frac{-\alpha_s^S}{3v_{\text{rel}}} \right)$$

$$S_0(\zeta_s) = \frac{2\pi\zeta_s}{1 - e^{-2\pi\zeta_s}}$$

$$\zeta_s = \alpha_{g,[\mathbf{R}]} / v_{\text{rel}} = k_{[\mathbf{R}]} \alpha_s / v_{\text{rel}}$$

At small velocities

$$S_0 \sim \zeta_s \sim \alpha_{g,[\mathbf{R}]} v_{\text{rel}}^{-1}$$

Can be positive or negative depending on the sign

For  $\ell$  partial waves

$$S_\ell(\zeta) = S_0(\zeta) \prod_{k=1}^{\ell} \left( 1 + \frac{\zeta^2}{k^2} \right)$$

Singlet States form the most attractive potential

Does not work for light DM: Large Yukawa Exponential Suppression  
Bohr radius needs to be smaller than inverse mass of force mediator

$$(\alpha m_X / 2)^{-1} \lesssim m_A^{-1}$$

Petraki, Harz +  
Becker, Copello, Harz, Mohan, DS

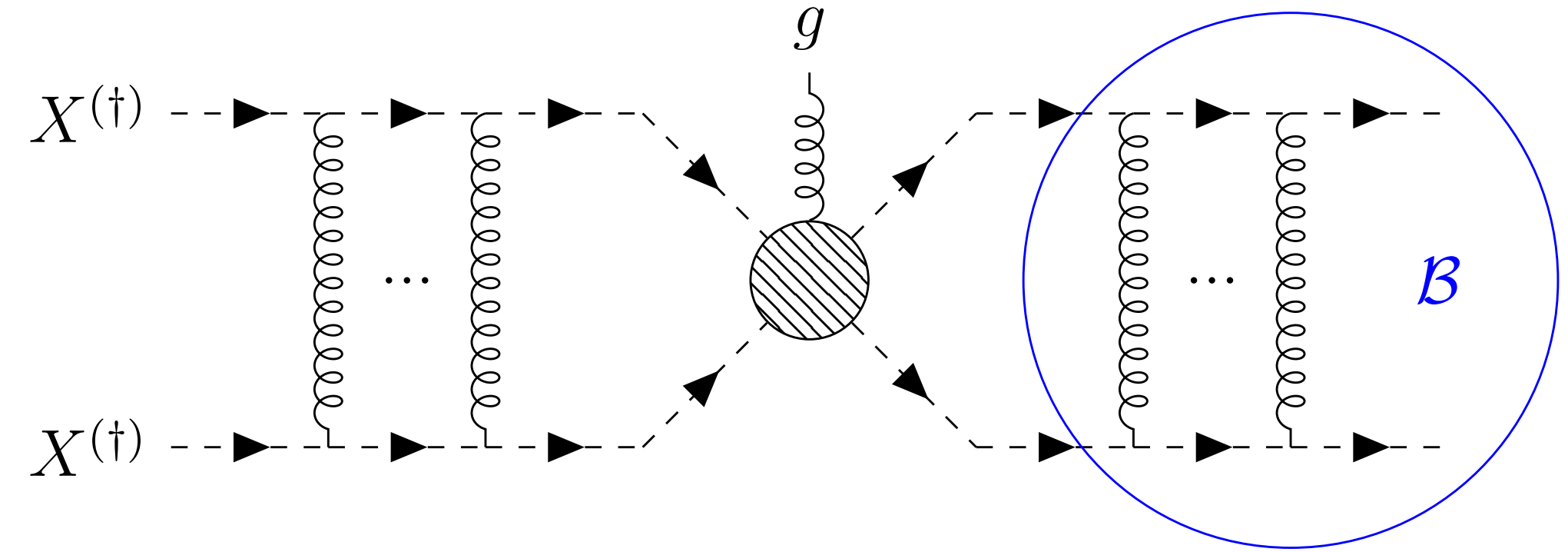
# Color Decomposition and Bound States Effect

## Colored Particles can form Unstable Bound States

$$X_1 + X_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(X_1 X_2) + g$$

wavefunction of the bound state Schrödinger equation

$$\text{binding energies } \mathcal{E}_{nlm} = -\kappa^2 / (2\mu n^2)$$



## Average momentum transfer between bound states

Bohr momentum  $\kappa_{[\hat{\mathbf{R}}]} \equiv \mu \alpha_{g, [\hat{\mathbf{R}}]}^B = \mu k_{[\hat{\mathbf{R}}]} \alpha_{s, [\hat{\mathbf{R}}]}^B$

## Capture into either singlet or octet states

$$\begin{aligned} (X + X^\dagger)_{[8]} &\rightarrow \{\mathcal{B}(XX^\dagger)_{[1]} + g\}_{[8]}, \\ (X + X^\dagger)_{[1]} &\rightarrow \{\mathcal{B}(XX^\dagger)_{[8]} + g\}_{[1_S]}, \\ (X + X^\dagger)_{[8]} &\rightarrow \{\mathcal{B}(XX^\dagger)_{[8]} + g\}_{[8_S] \text{ or } [8_A]}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_{\{100\}}^{[8] \rightarrow [1]} v_{\text{rel}} = \frac{2^7 17^2 \pi \alpha_{s, [1]}^{\text{BSF}} \alpha_{s, [1]}^B}{3^5 m_X^2} S_{\text{BSF}}(\zeta_S, \zeta_B)$$

$$S_{\text{BSF}}(\zeta_S, \zeta_B) = \left( \frac{2\pi\zeta_S}{1 - e^{-2\pi\zeta_S}} \right) (1 + \zeta_S^2) \frac{\zeta_B^4 e^{-4\zeta_S \text{arccot}(\zeta_B)}}{(1 + \zeta_B^2)^3}$$

$$\zeta_S \equiv \alpha_g^S / v_{\text{rel}}$$

$$\zeta_B \equiv \alpha_g^B / v_{\text{rel}}$$



# Color Decomposition and Bound States Effect : Ionisation

Bound States can be ionized Energetic Gluons in the thermal Plasma and dissociate into constituents : High Temperature or can directly decay to constituents

$$\Gamma_{\text{dec},[\mathbf{R}]} = (\sigma_{\text{ann},[\mathbf{R}]}^{s\text{-wave}} v_{\text{rel}}) |\psi_{n00}^{[\mathbf{R}]}(0)|^2$$

$$|\psi_{100}^{[\mathbf{1}]}(0)|^2 = 8m_X^3 (\alpha_{s,[\mathbf{1}]}^B)^3 / 27\pi$$

Formation and Subsequent annihilation of Bound States open up a new annihilation channel

Incorporated in a system of coupled Boltzmann Equations

$$\langle \sigma_{\text{BSF}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_{\text{eff}} \equiv \langle \sigma_{\text{BSF}}^{[\mathbf{8}] \rightarrow [\mathbf{1}]} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle \frac{\langle \Gamma_{\text{dec}[\mathbf{1}]} \rangle}{\langle \Gamma_{\text{dec}[\mathbf{1}]} \rangle + \langle \Gamma_{\text{ion},[\mathbf{1}]} \rangle}$$

At Large Temperatures : Ionisation processes dominates over decays -> Effective Contribution of Bound States in dark sector evolution is negligible.

Relic density is independent of contribution of Bound States

As Universe cools down decays dominate, efficiently depleting the dark sector, ionisation rate is exponentially suppressed

$$\langle \sigma_{XX^\dagger} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_{\text{eff}} = \sum_i \left( \langle \sigma_{X_i X_i^\dagger} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle + \langle \sigma_{\text{BSF}}^{[\mathbf{8}] \rightarrow [\mathbf{1}]} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle \frac{\Gamma_{\text{dec}[\mathbf{1}]}}{\Gamma_{\text{dec}[\mathbf{1}]} + \Gamma_{\text{ion},[\mathbf{1}]}} \right)$$

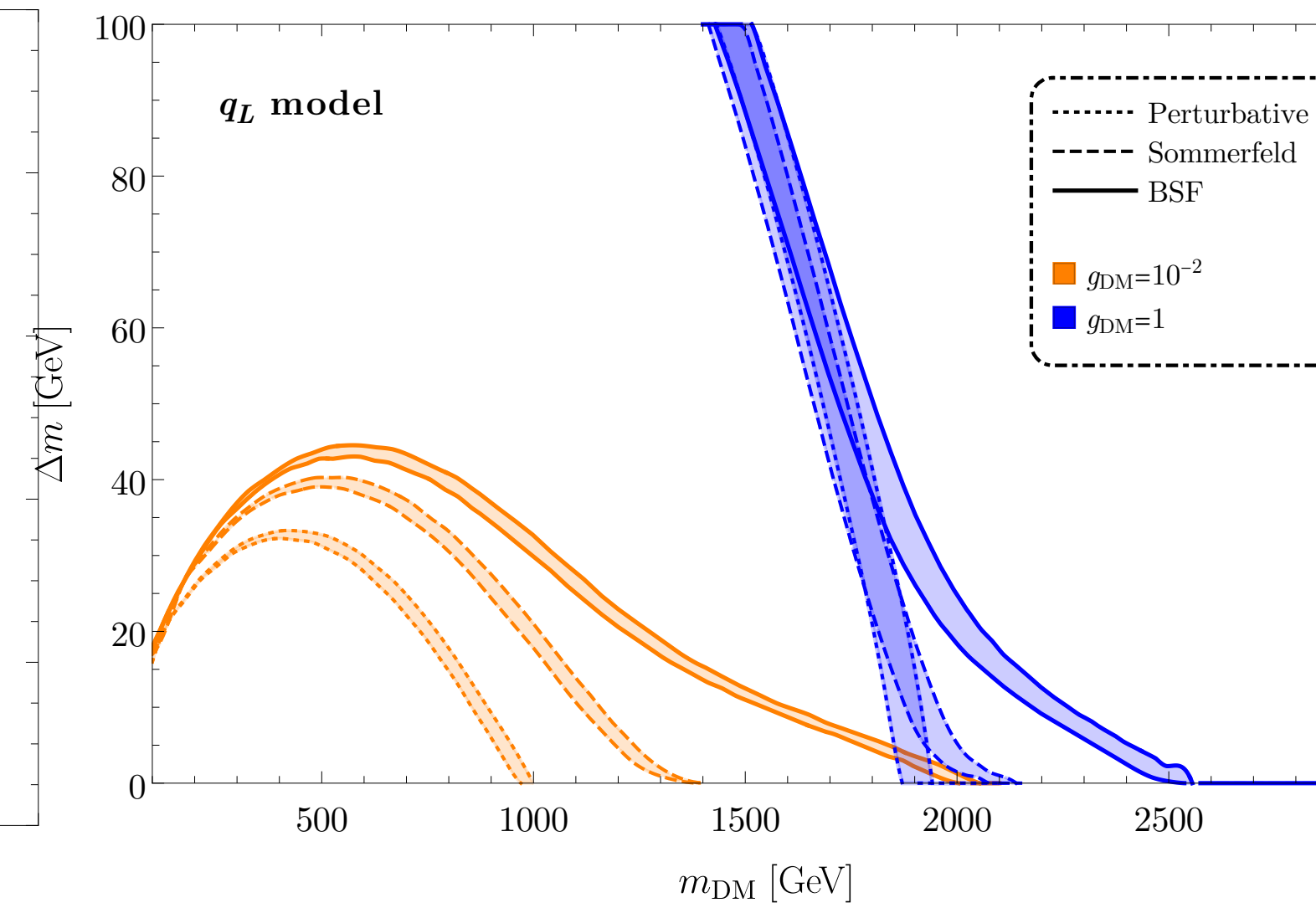
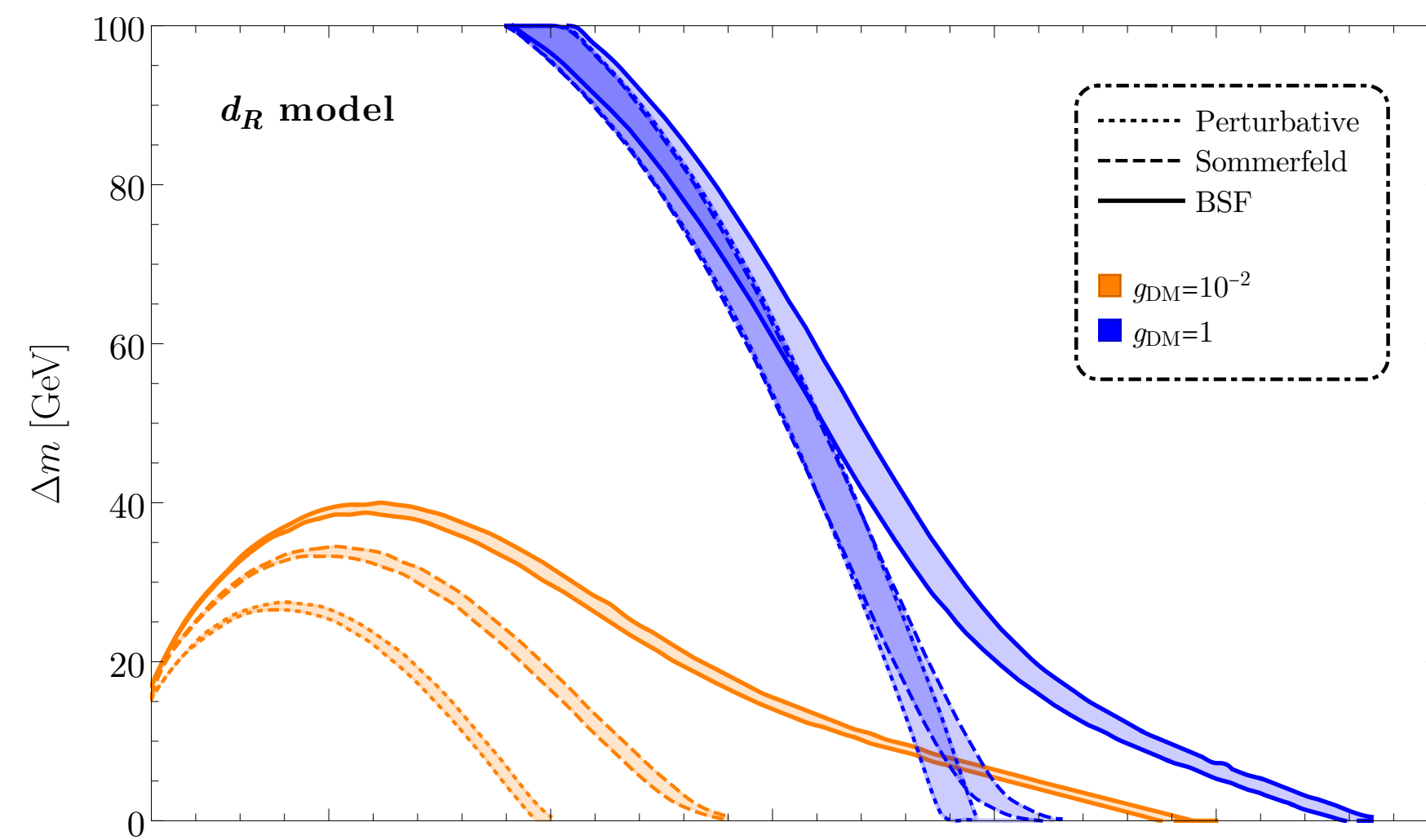
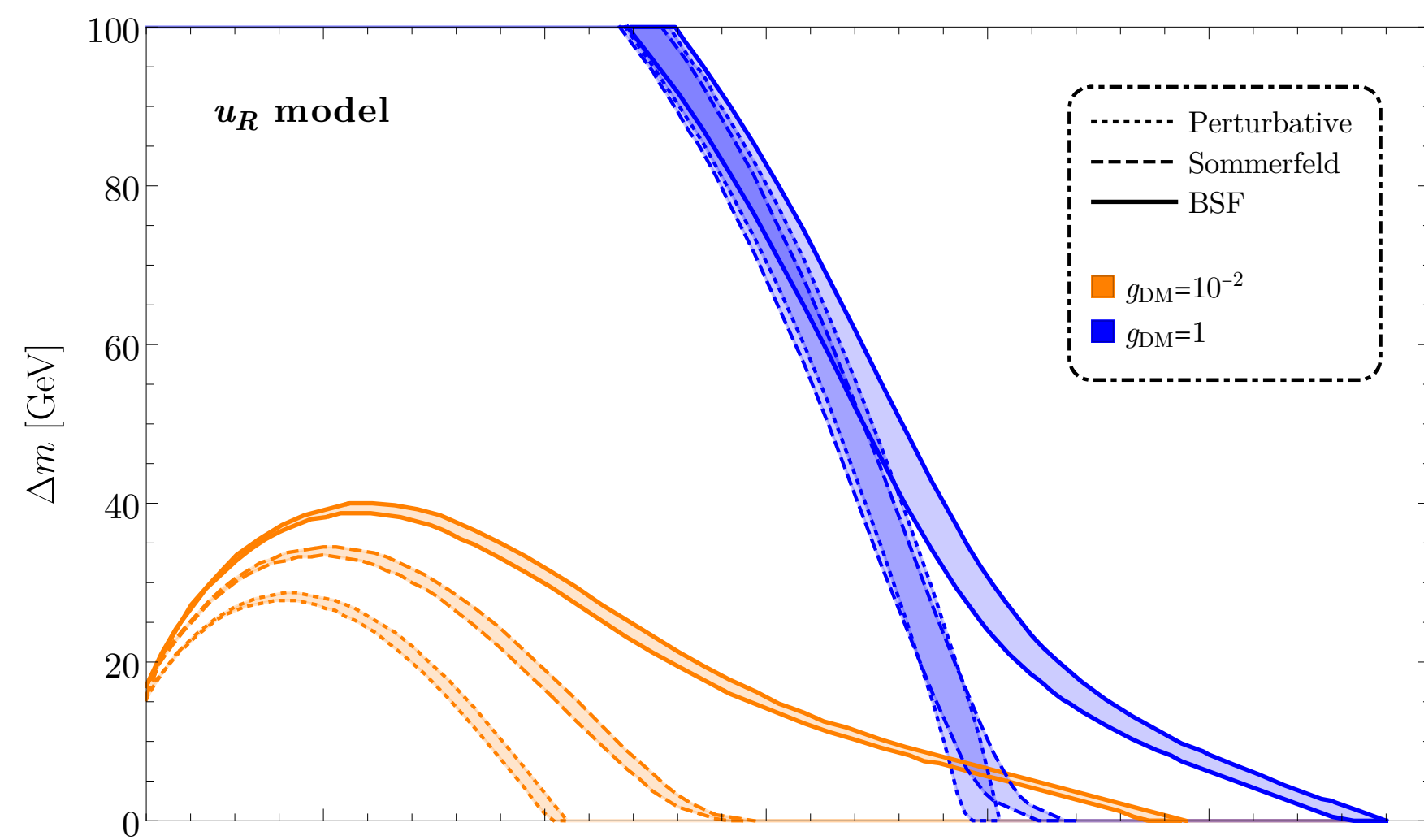
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Process	Contribution to $\langle\sigma v\rangle$	$v_{\text{rel}}$	Color Structure	BSF
$\chi\chi \rightarrow q_i\bar{q}_i$	$g_{\text{DM}}^4$	$v_{\text{rel}}^2$ ( $m_q = 0$ ) $v_{\text{rel}}^0$ ( $m_q \neq 0$ )	none	$\times$
$X_i X_j^\dagger \rightarrow gg$	$g_s^4 e^{-2x\delta}$	$v_{\text{rel}}^0$	$ \mathcal{M} ^2 \sim \frac{2}{7}[\mathbf{1}] + \frac{5}{7}[\mathbf{8}]$	$\checkmark$
$X_i X_j^\dagger \rightarrow q_i\bar{q}_j$	$(\alpha g_{\text{DM}}^2 + \beta g_s^2)^2 e^{-2x\delta}$	$v_{\text{rel}}^2$ ( $m_q = 0$ ) $v_{\text{rel}}^0$ ( $m_q \neq 0$ )	$ \mathcal{M} ^2 \sim f_1(g_{\text{DM}}, g_s)[\mathbf{1}]$ $+ f_8(g_{\text{DM}}, g_s)[\mathbf{8}]$	$\checkmark$
$X_i X_j \rightarrow q_i q_j$	$g_{\text{DM}}^4 e^{-2x\delta}$	$v_{\text{rel}}^0$	$ \mathcal{M} ^2 \sim \frac{1}{3}[\bar{\mathbf{3}}] + \frac{2}{3}[\mathbf{6}]$	$\checkmark$
$X_i X_i \rightarrow q_i q_i$	$g_{\text{DM}}^4 e^{-2x\delta}$	$v_{\text{rel}}^0$	$ \mathcal{M} ^2 \sim [\mathbf{6}]$	$\checkmark$
$X_i \chi \rightarrow q_i A$	$g_{\text{DM}}^2 g_{\text{gauge}}^2 e^{-x\delta}$	$v_{\text{rel}}^0$	none	$\times$

# Sommerfeld Enhancement and Bound States Effect : Implementation

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \sum_i (D_\mu X_i)^\dagger (D^\mu X_i) + \sum_{i,j} \left( g_{\text{DM},ij} X_i^\dagger \bar{\chi} P_R q_j + g_{\text{DM},ij}^* X_i \bar{q}_j P_L \chi \right)$$

Implemented the full effect of Sommerfeld Effect and Boltzmann Equations in micrOMEGAS 2.7



# Relic Abundance

Determine  $g_{DM,0}$  for each data point  $(m_{DM}, \Delta m)$  such that DM is *not* overproduced.

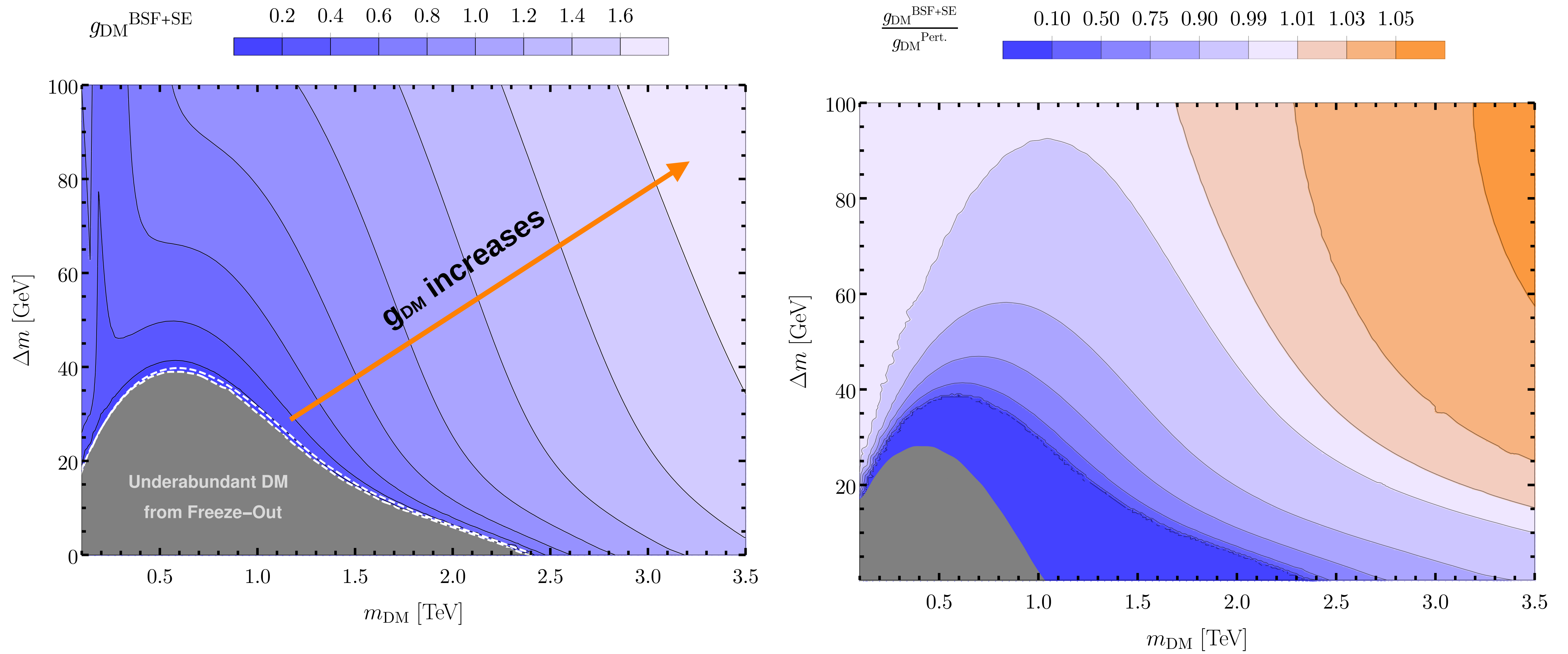


Figure from [MB,Copello,Harz,Mohan,Sengupta(2022)]

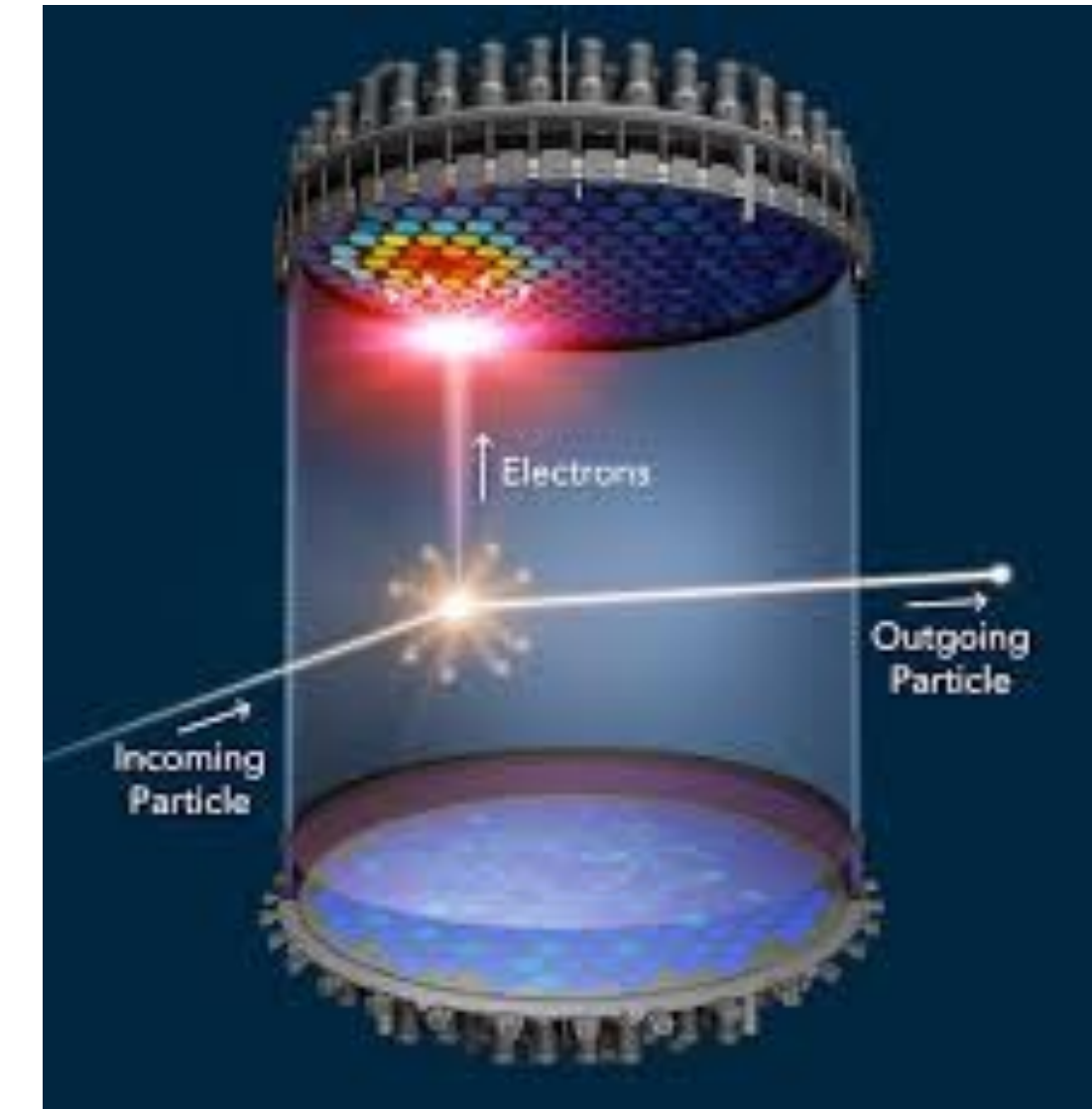


## Look for elastic scattering of WIMPS with nuclei.

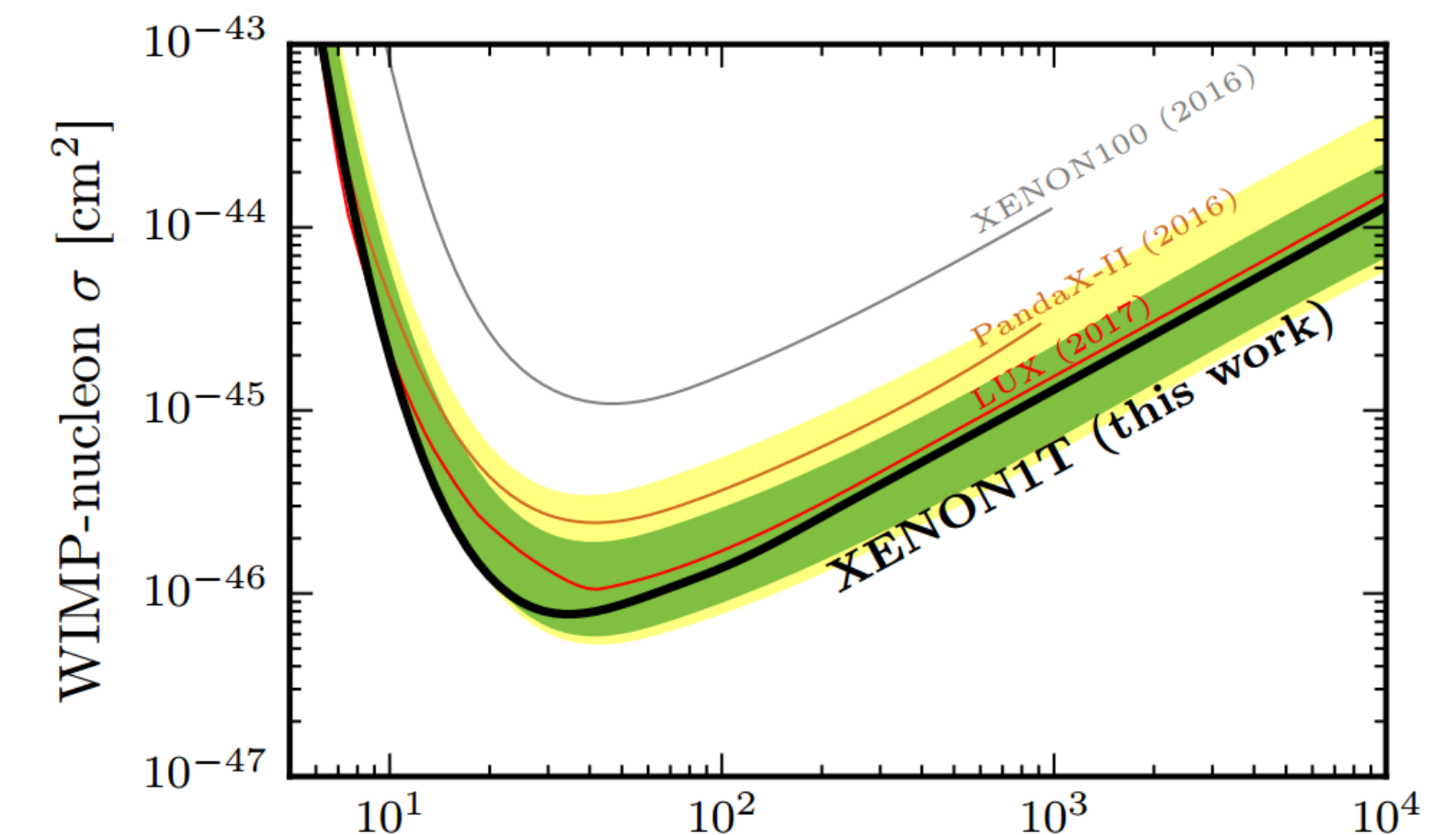
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE} = \frac{m_A}{2\mu_A^2 v^2} \cdot (\sigma_0^{\text{SI}} \cdot F_{\text{SI}}^2(E) + \sigma_0^{\text{SD}} \cdot F_{\text{SD}}^2(E))$$

$$\sigma_0^{\text{SI}} = \sigma_p \cdot \frac{\mu_A^2}{112} \cdot [Z \cdot f^p + (A - Z) \cdot f^n]^2$$

- LO calculation tells us that model has only a spin dependent cross-section.
- Limits from direct detection are weak—large values of  $g_{\text{DM}}$  allowed.



Source: KIPAC





# Direct Detection Constraints

Majorana Fermion : Tree level Spin-Independent DD cross section vanishes

$$\mathcal{M} = (-ig_{DM})^2 (\bar{\chi} P_R u) \frac{i}{p^2 - M_{\tilde{u}}^2} (\bar{u} P_L \chi)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{SI}^{\text{eff}} = \sum_{q=u,d,s} \mathcal{L}_q^{\text{eff}} + \mathcal{L}_g^{\text{eff}}$$

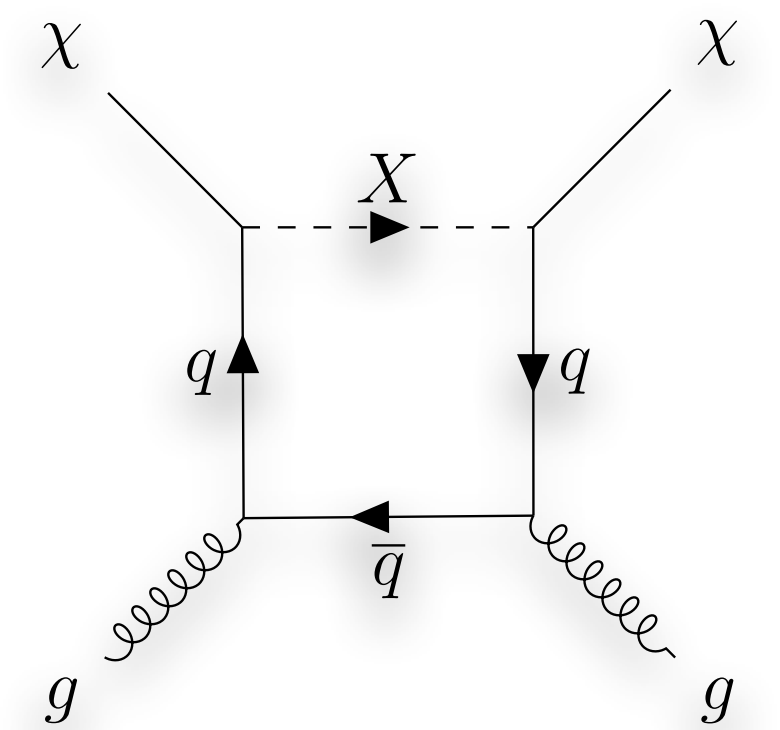
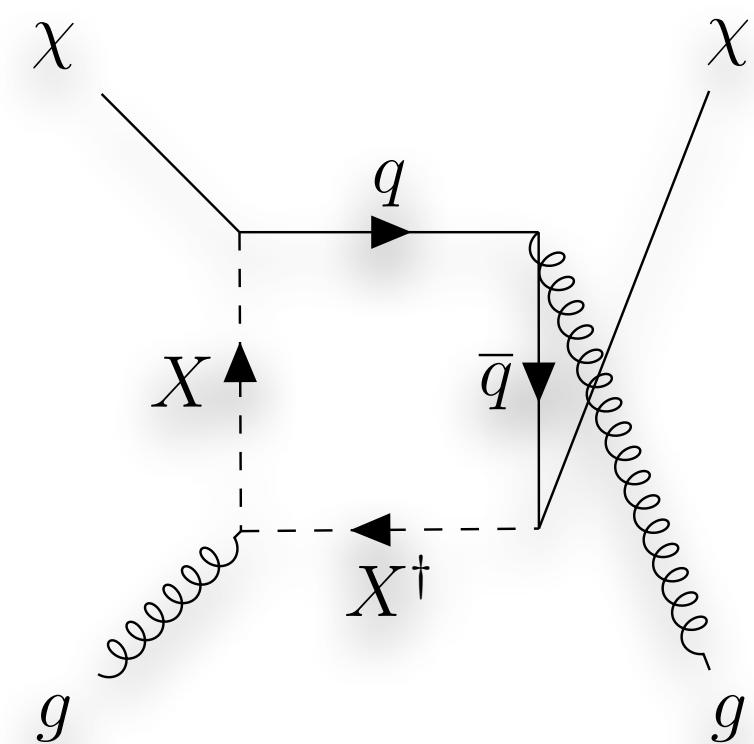
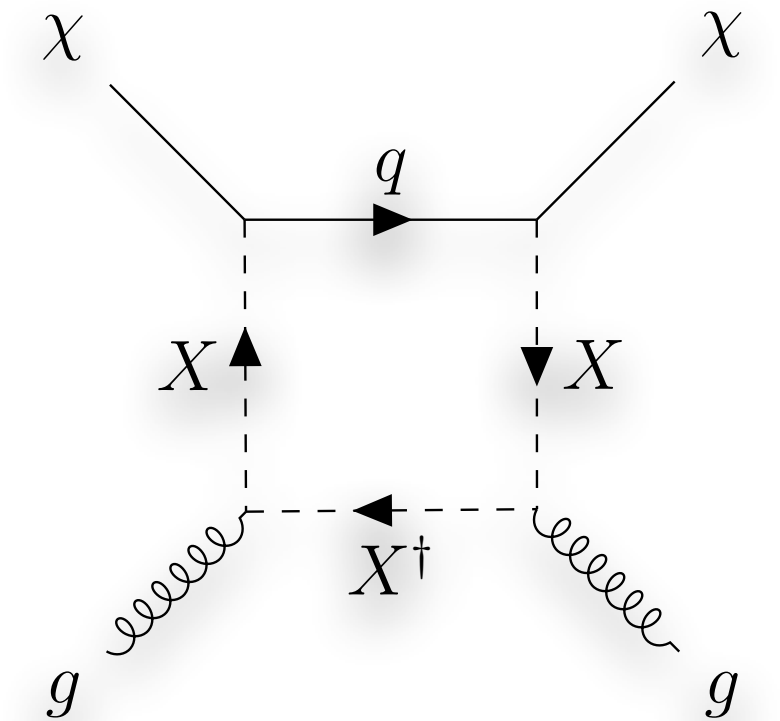
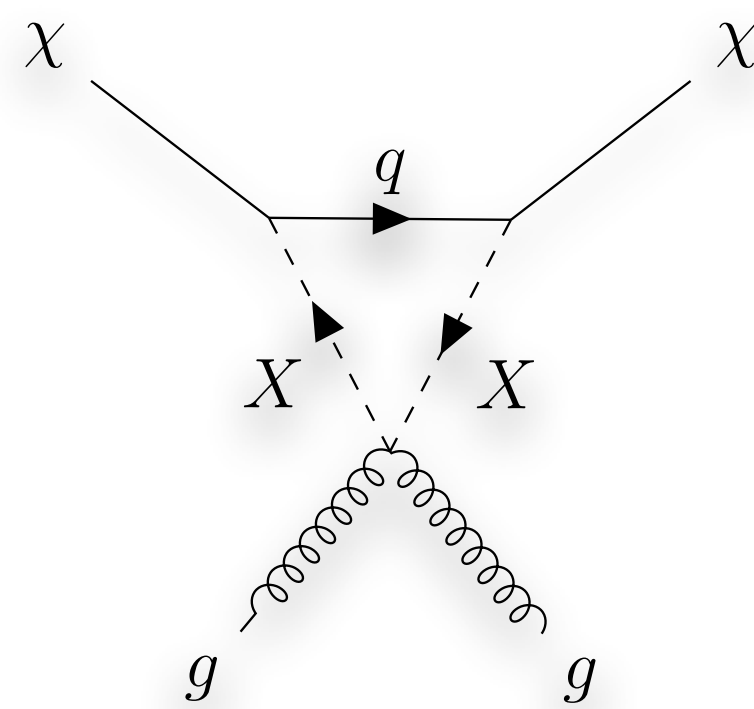
$$\mathcal{M}_{DD} \approx \frac{ig_{DM}^2}{M_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 - M_\chi^2} \frac{1}{8} [(\bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi)(\bar{u} \gamma_\mu u) - (\bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \chi)(\bar{u} \gamma_\mu \gamma^5 u)]$$

**SI**                      **SD**

**0 for Majorana**

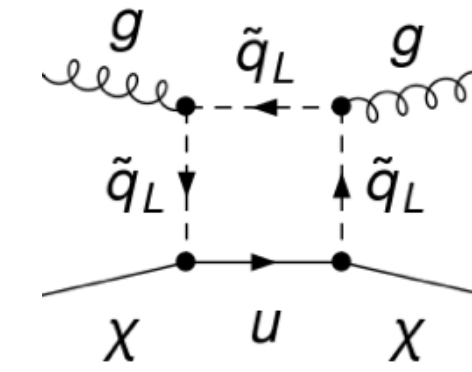
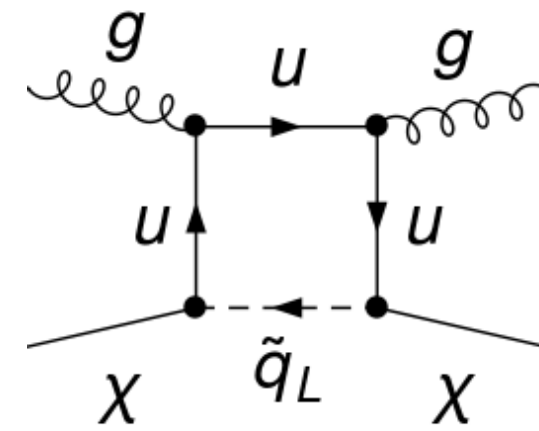
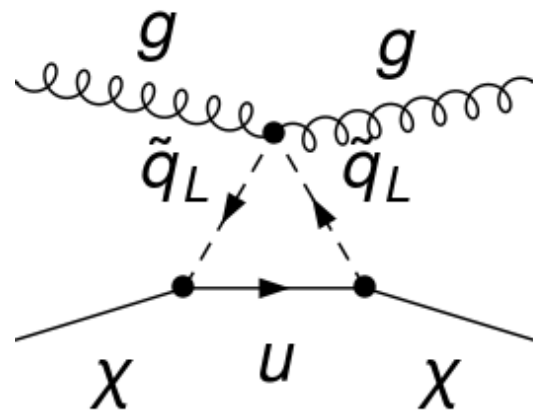


$$\sigma_p = \frac{4}{\pi} \left( \frac{M_\chi m_p}{M_\chi + m_p} \right)^2 |\langle \mathcal{M}_{DD} \rangle_{NR}|^2 .$$



# Direct Detection at 1 loop

## DD @ 1-Loop



$$\mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^q \equiv \frac{1}{2} \bar{q} i \left( D_\mu \gamma_\nu + D_\nu \gamma_\mu - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \not{D} \right) q$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^g \equiv \left( G_\mu^{a\rho} G_{\rho\nu}^a + \frac{1}{4} g_{\mu\nu} G_{\alpha\beta}^a G^{a\alpha\beta} \right).$$

Determine Wilson Coefficients for effective operators

Spin-2  
Operators

$$\mathcal{L}_q^{\text{eff}} = f_q m_q \bar{\chi} \tilde{\chi} \bar{q} q + \frac{g_q^{(1)}}{m_\chi} \bar{\chi} i \partial^\mu \gamma^\nu \tilde{\chi} \mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^q + \frac{g_q^{(2)}}{m_\chi^2} \bar{\chi} (i \partial^\mu) (i \partial^\nu) \tilde{\chi} \mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^q,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_g^{\text{eff}} = f_G \bar{\chi} \tilde{\chi} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} + \frac{g_G^{(1)}}{m_\chi} \bar{\chi} i \partial^\mu \gamma^\nu \tilde{\chi} \mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^g + \frac{g_G^{(2)}}{m_\chi^2} \bar{\chi} (i \partial^\mu) (i \partial^\nu) \tilde{\chi} \mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^g.$$

Spin 0

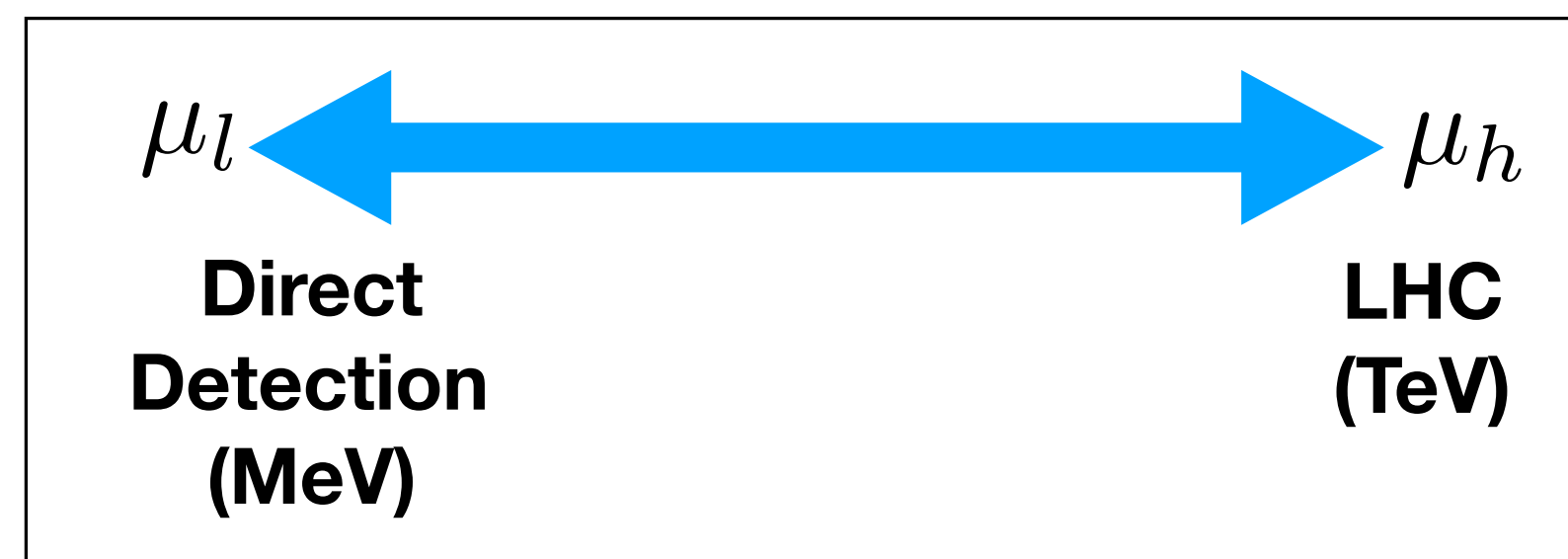
Evaluate matrix element for the elastic scattering process in the non-relativistic limit.

$$f_N/m_N = \sum_{q=u,d,s} f_q f_{Tq} + \sum_{q=u,d,s,c,b} \frac{3}{4} (q(2) + \bar{q}(2)) (g_q^{(1)} + g_q^{(2)})$$

$$- \frac{8\pi}{9\alpha_s} f_{TG} f_G + \frac{3}{4} G(2) (g_G^{(1)} + g_G^{(2)}).$$

## RGE

- Nucleon DM cross-sections at Non-Relativistic velocities.
- At what scale do we define coupling and masses? If at scale  $\mu \sim 0$ , then to compare with LHC we should run up. If at  $\mu \sim \text{LHC energy}$ , then to compare we should run down.
- RGE not necessary if no comparisons being made at different energy scales.





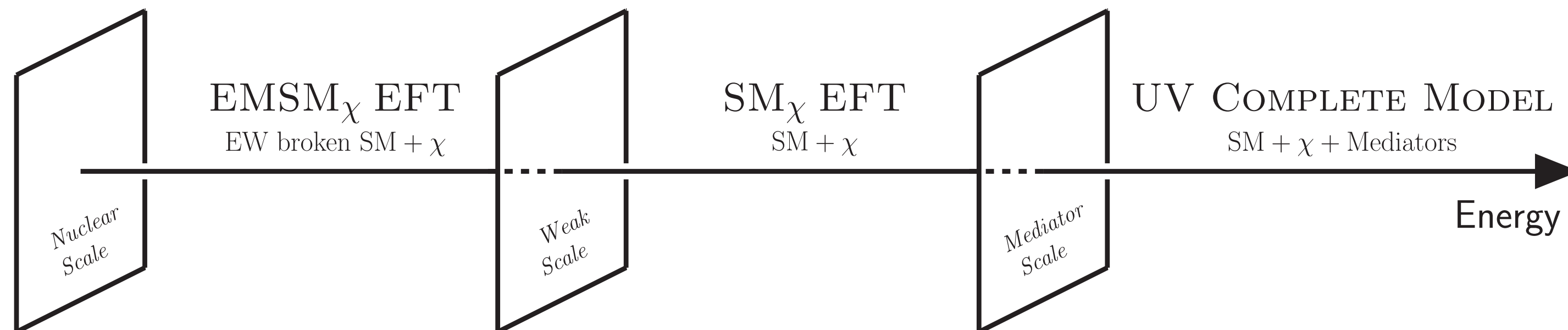
# How we run

Wilson coefficients



# Strategy

- Calculate RGE in full Theory.
- Apply matching conditions at each threshold of the theory.
- We will have to recalculate for every different model.
- Alternate approach available— RGE with EFT.





## Details of RGE

### Operators for Spin Independent Interactions

$O_q^{(0)} = m_q \bar{q}q$	$O_g^{(0)} = G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$	Spin 0	Sum Rules Relate operators
$O_q^{(2)\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{q} \left( \gamma^{\{\mu} i D_-^{\nu\}} - \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{4} i \not{D}_- \right) q$	$O_g^{(2)\mu\nu} = -G^{A\mu\lambda} G_{\lambda\nu}^A + \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{4} (G_{\alpha\beta}^A)^2$	Spin 2	
Quark	Gluon		

### Spin Dependent Operators

$$A_q^\mu = \bar{q} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 q$$

### Determine Anomalous dimensions

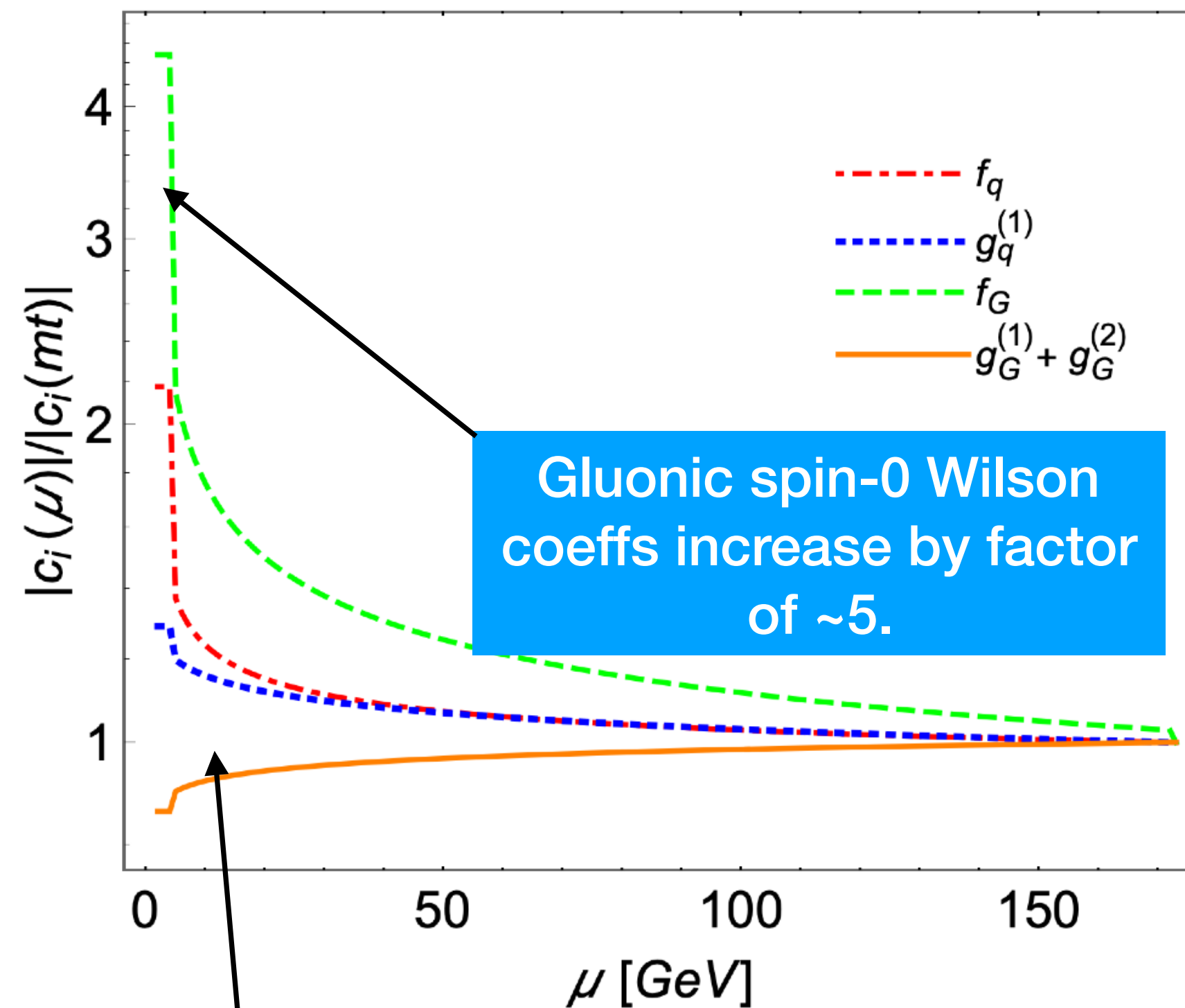
$$\frac{d}{d \log \mu} O_i = -\gamma_{ij} O_j, \quad \frac{d}{d \log \mu} c_i = \gamma_{ji} c_j$$

### Evolve and Match at each threshold

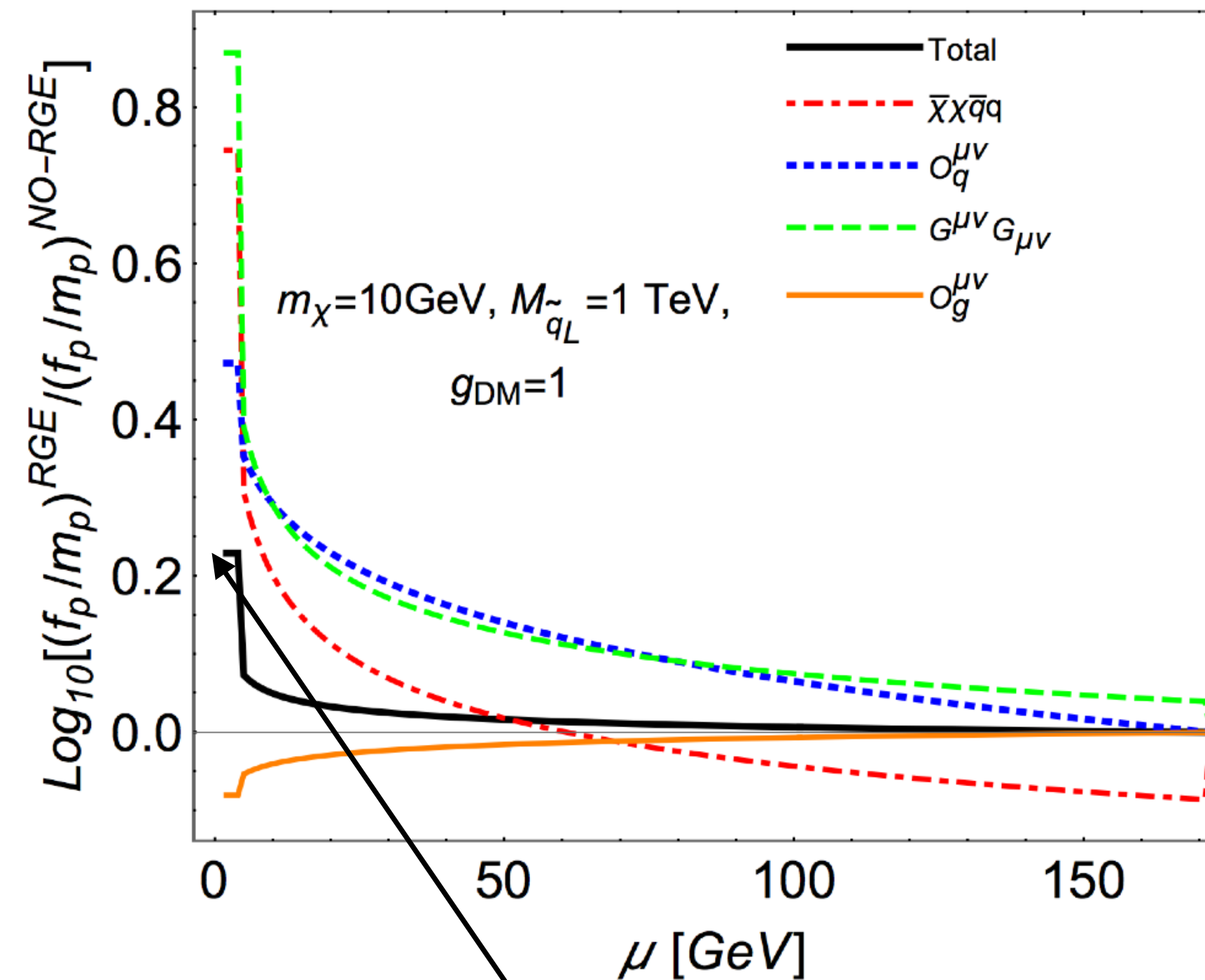
$$c_i(\mu_l) = R_{ij}(\mu_l, \mu_h) c_j(\mu_h) .$$

$$c_i(\mu_Q) = M_{ij}(\mu_Q) c'_j(\mu_Q)$$

# How important is RGE?



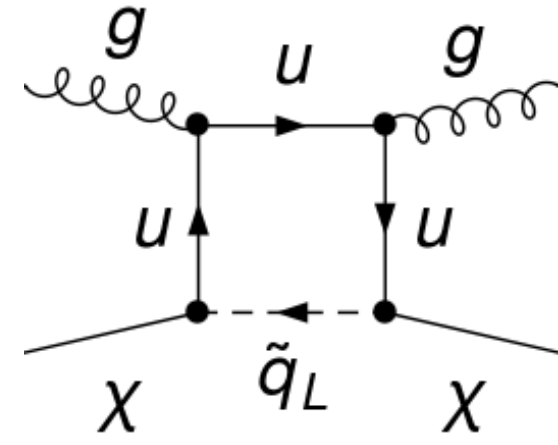
Spin-2 Wilson coefficients do not run as strongly.



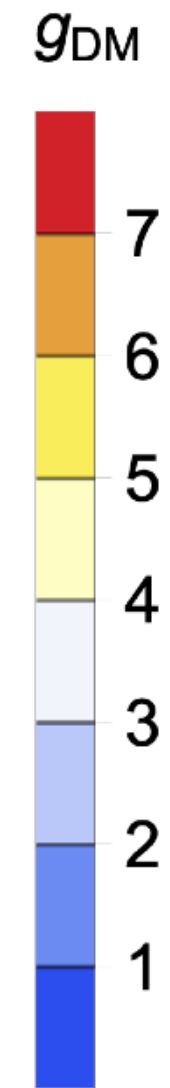
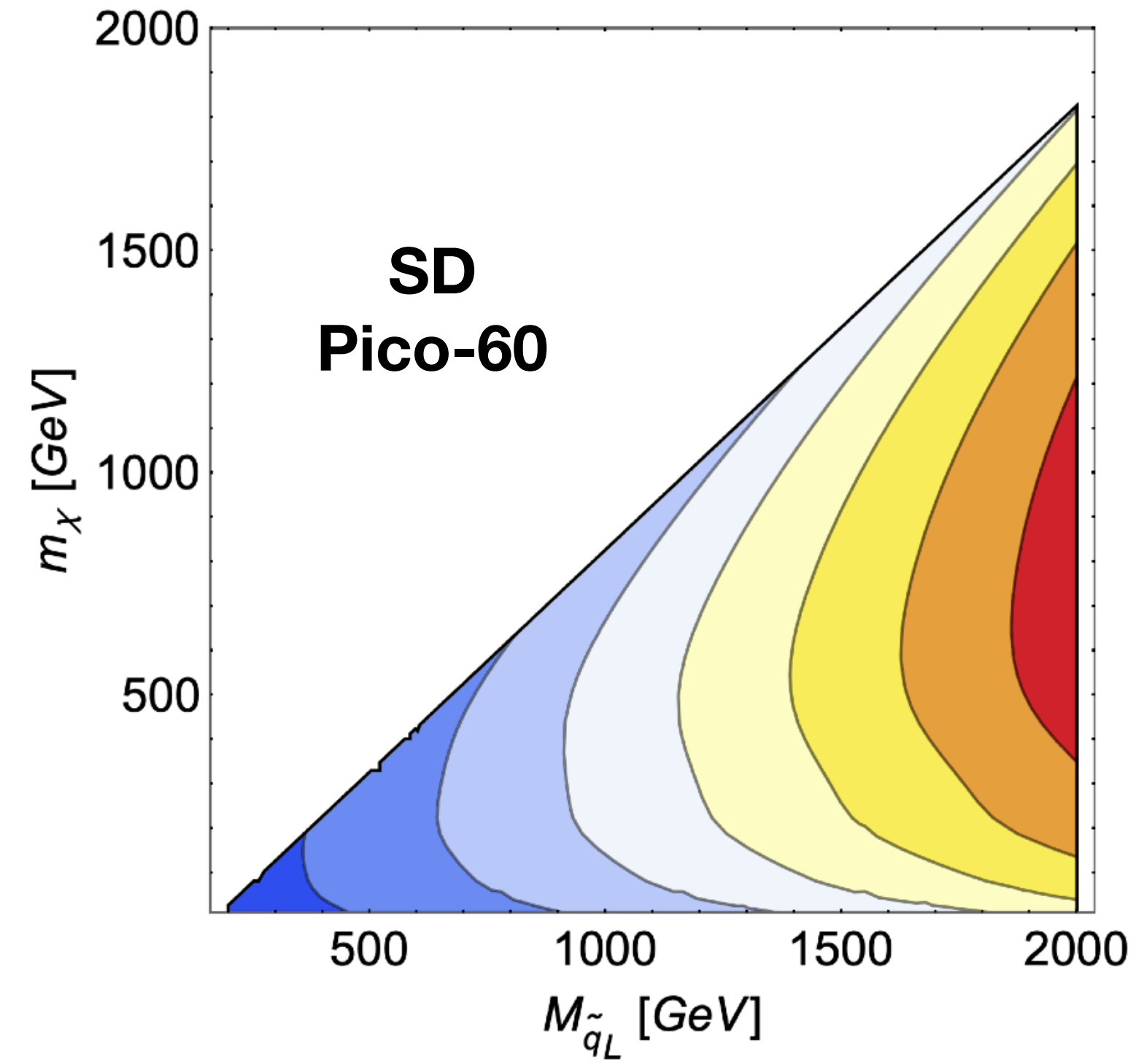
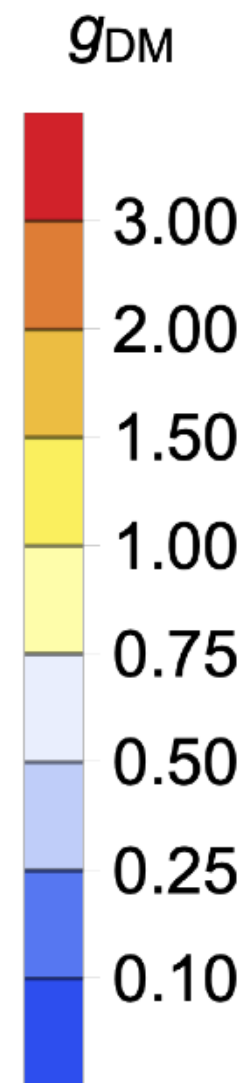
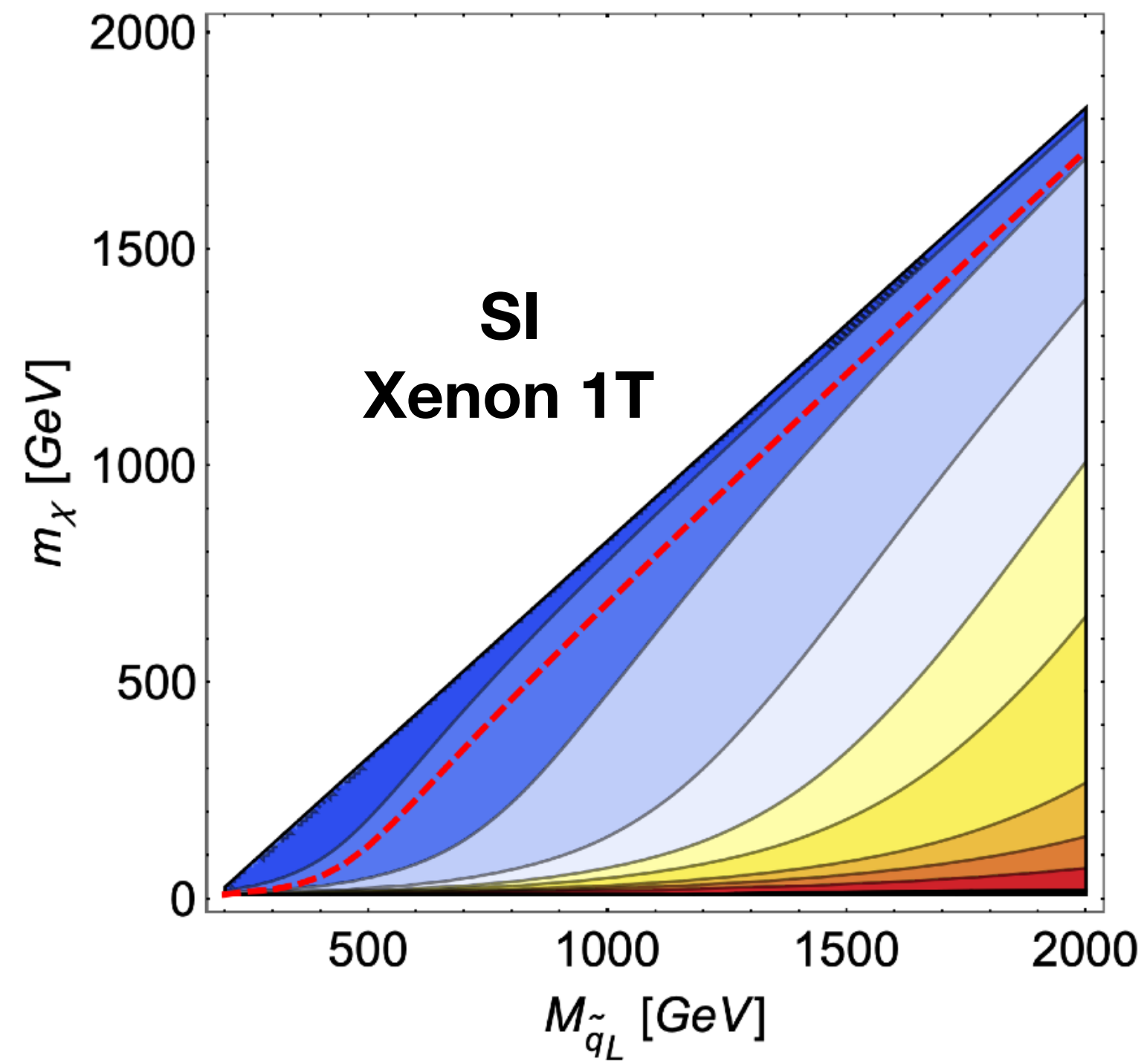
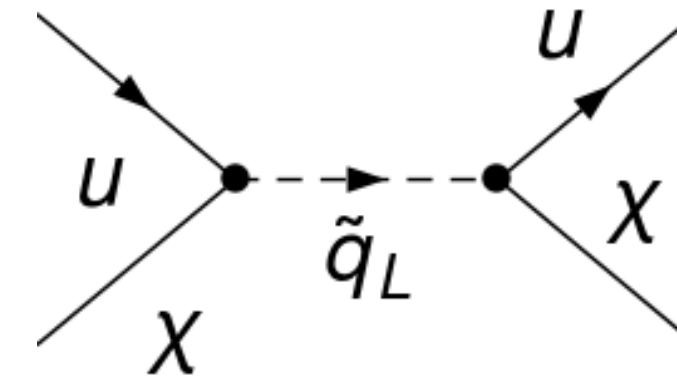
Factor ~4 enhancement in cross-section

# Constraints from DD

## SI Limits (Loop)



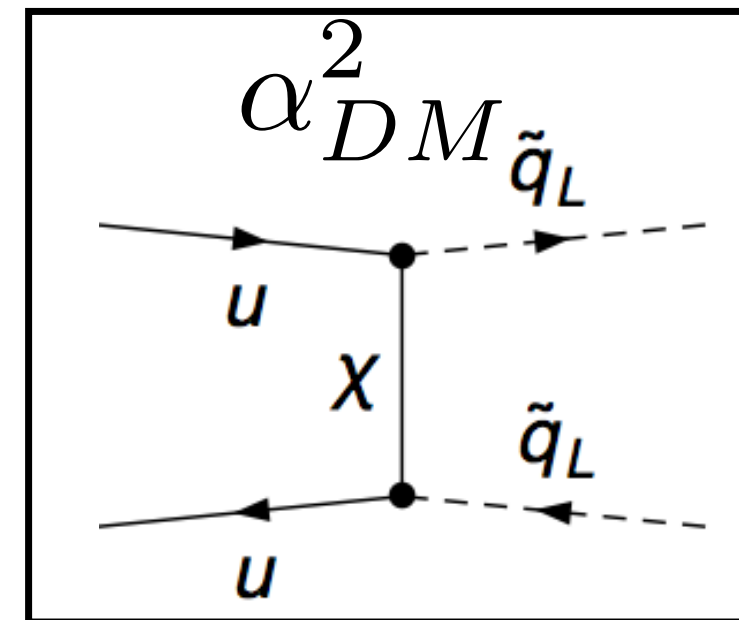
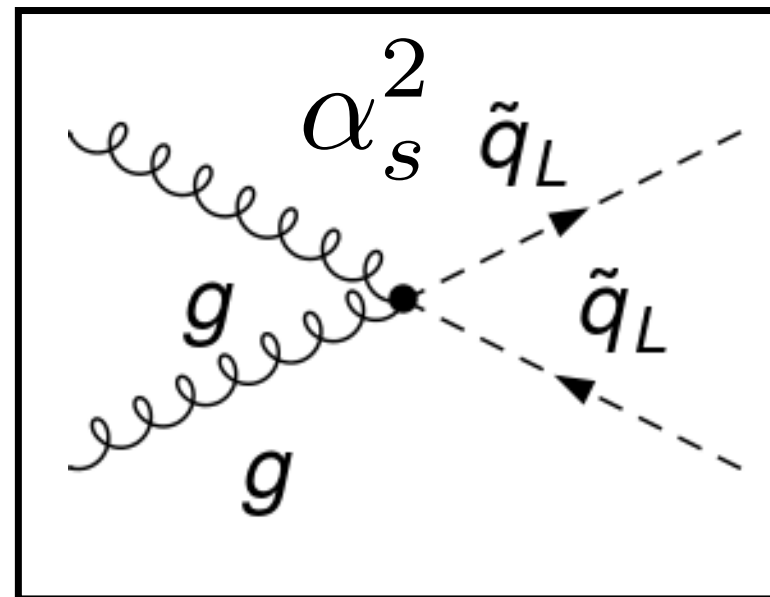
## SD Limits (LO)



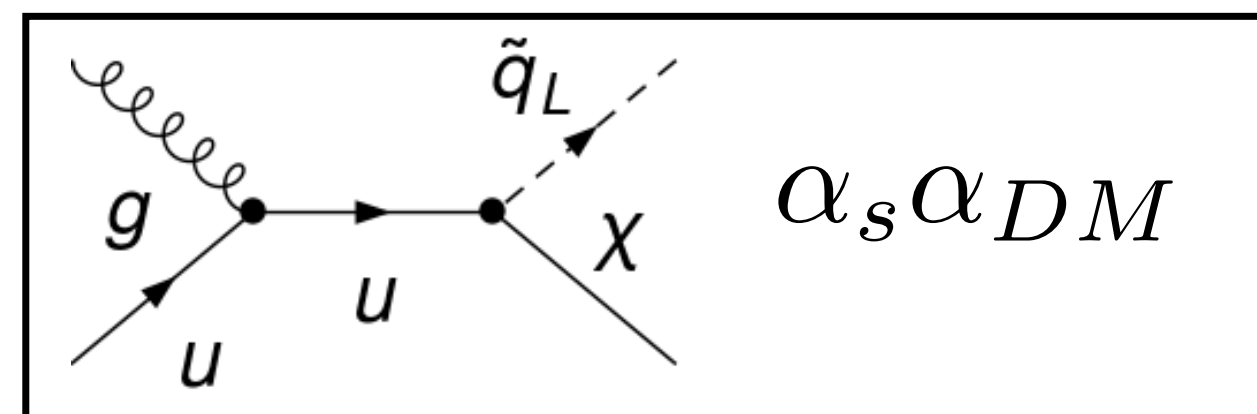
Constraints improve by an order of magnitude.

# LHC constraints

- Colored scalar mediator pair production— production cross-section (mostly QCD) depends on mass of mediator alone.
- Acceptance depends on mass of dark matter candidate also.

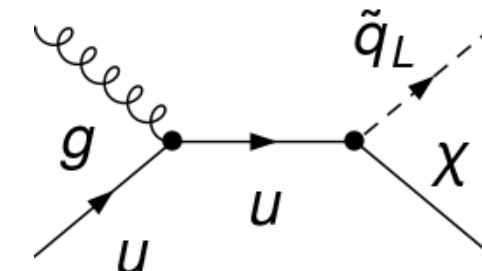
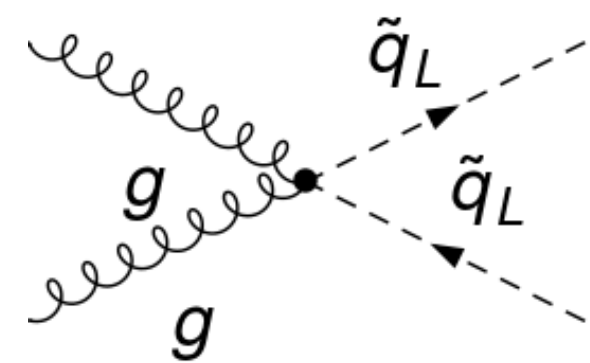
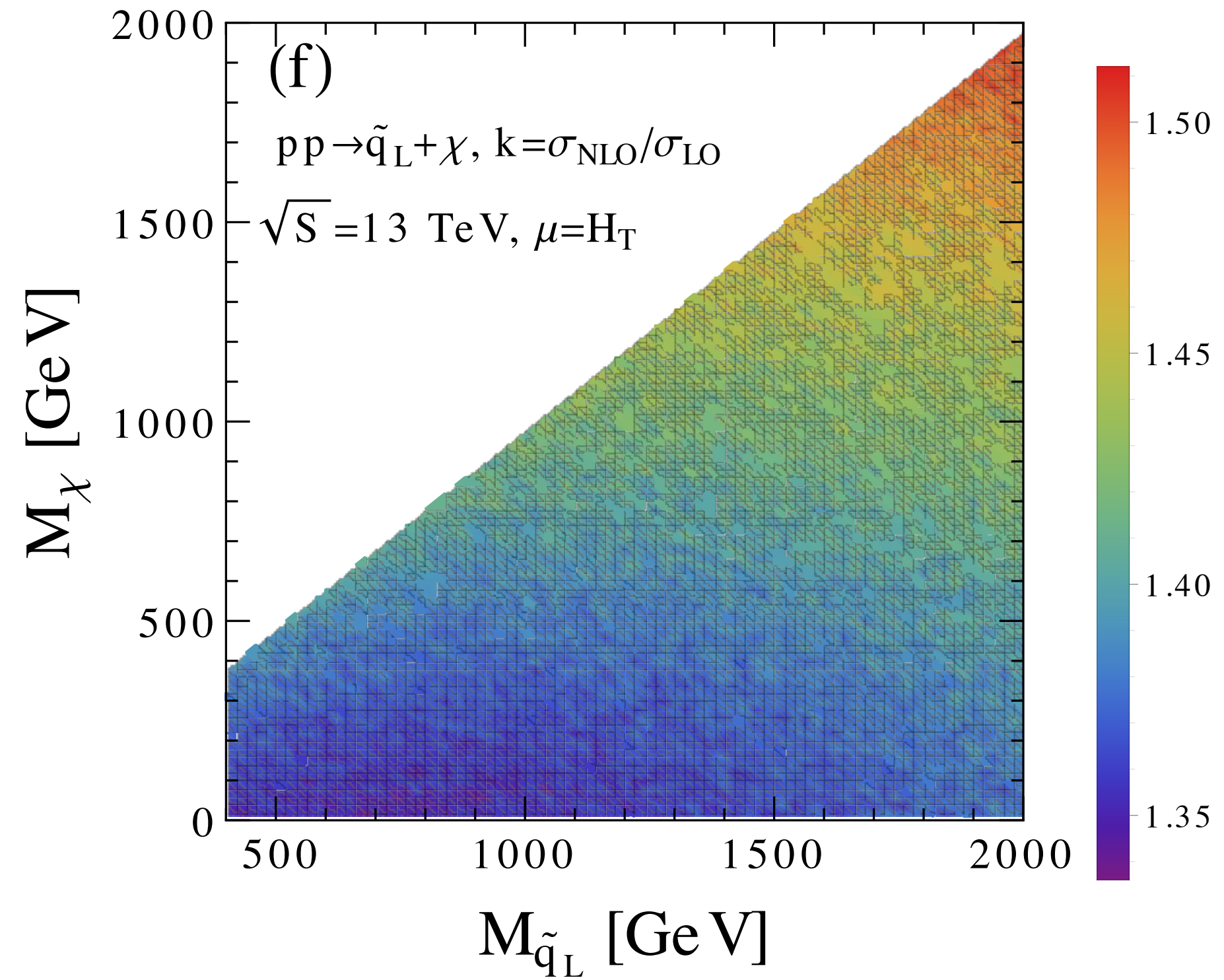
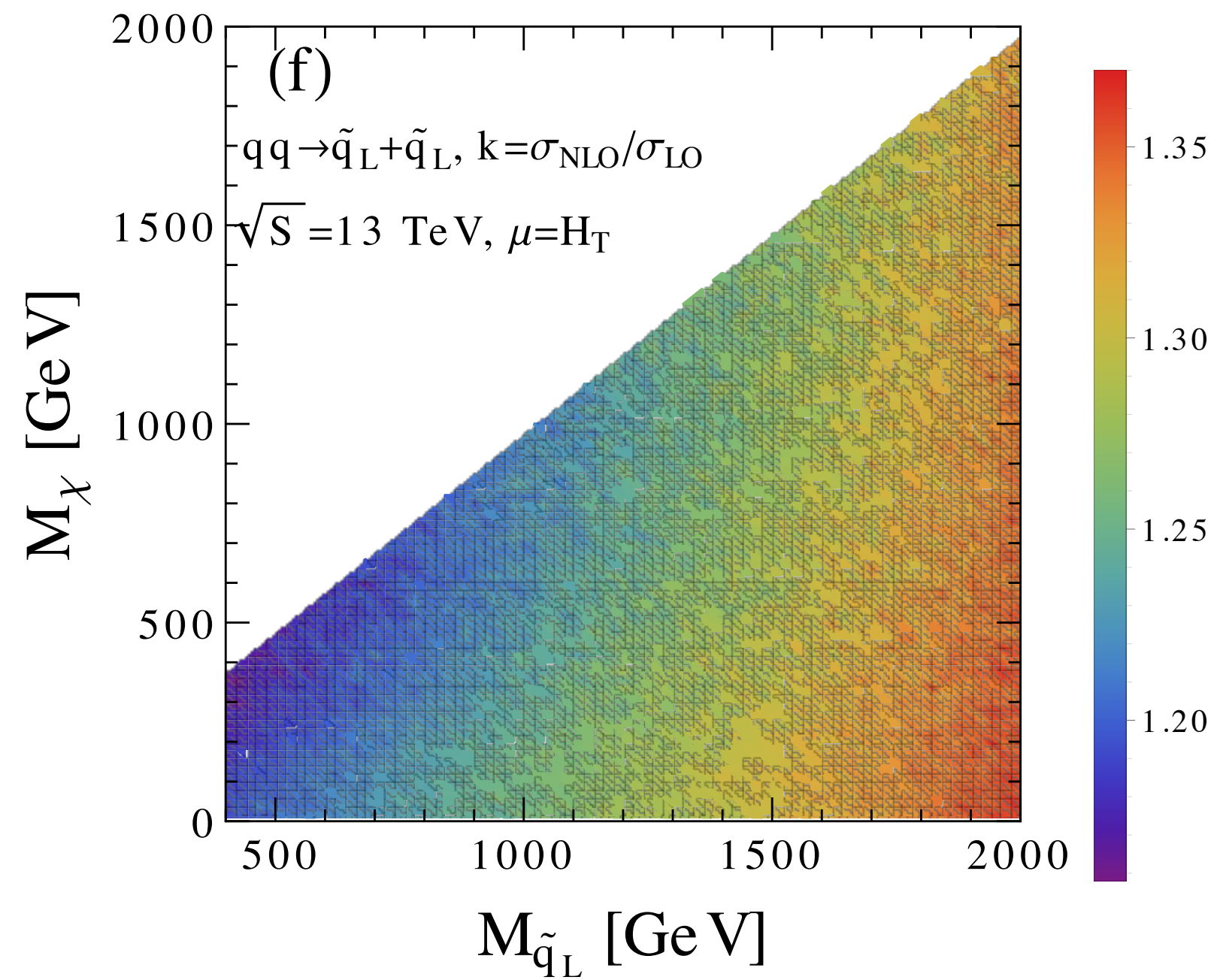


- Associated production of colored mediator and dark matter candidate— depends on all three model parameters.

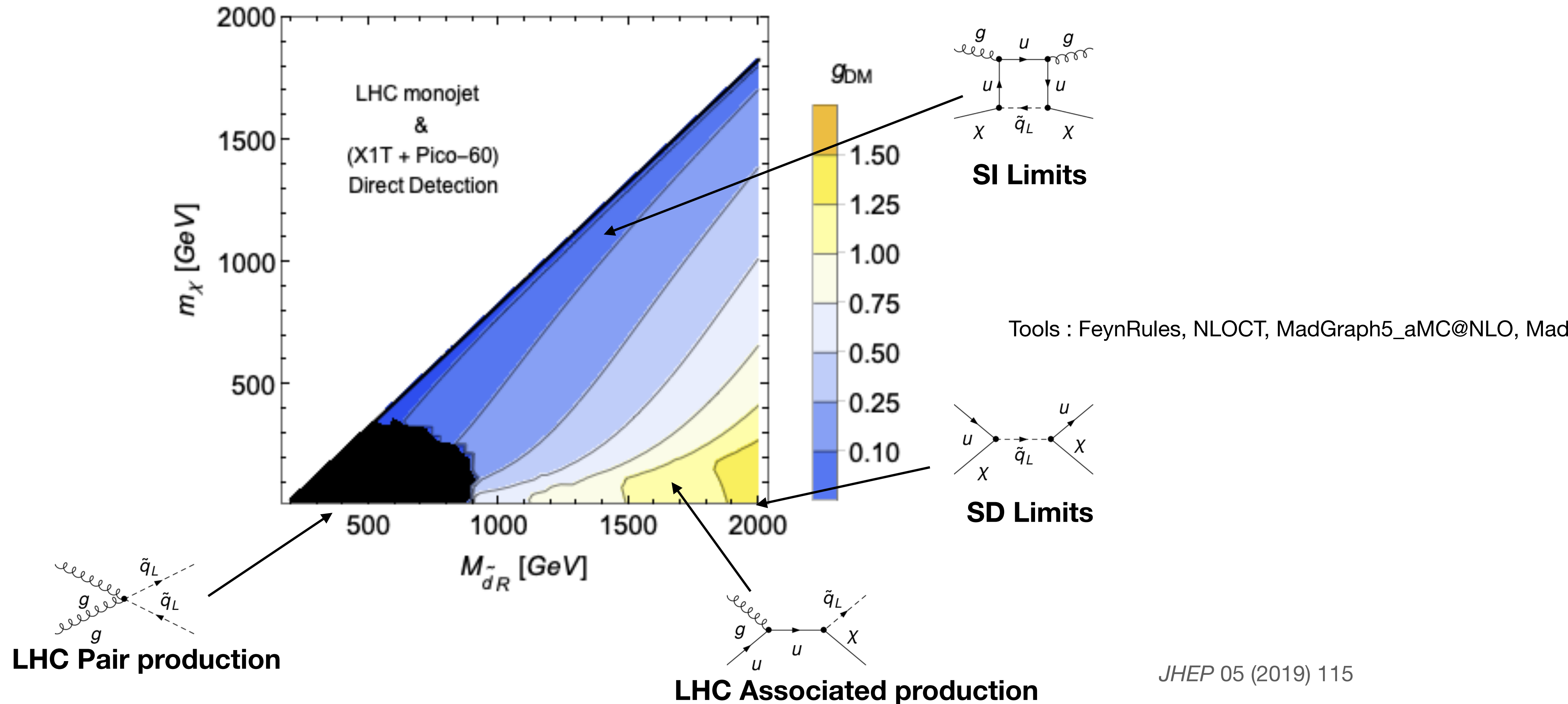




# K factors



## Complementarity of DD & LHC experiments





# Full Impact in this seemingly trivial model

## RGE improved Direct Detection [\[Mohan et. al \(2019\)\]](#)

mono-jet + ETmiss search by ATLAS

[\[arXiv:1711.03301\]](#)

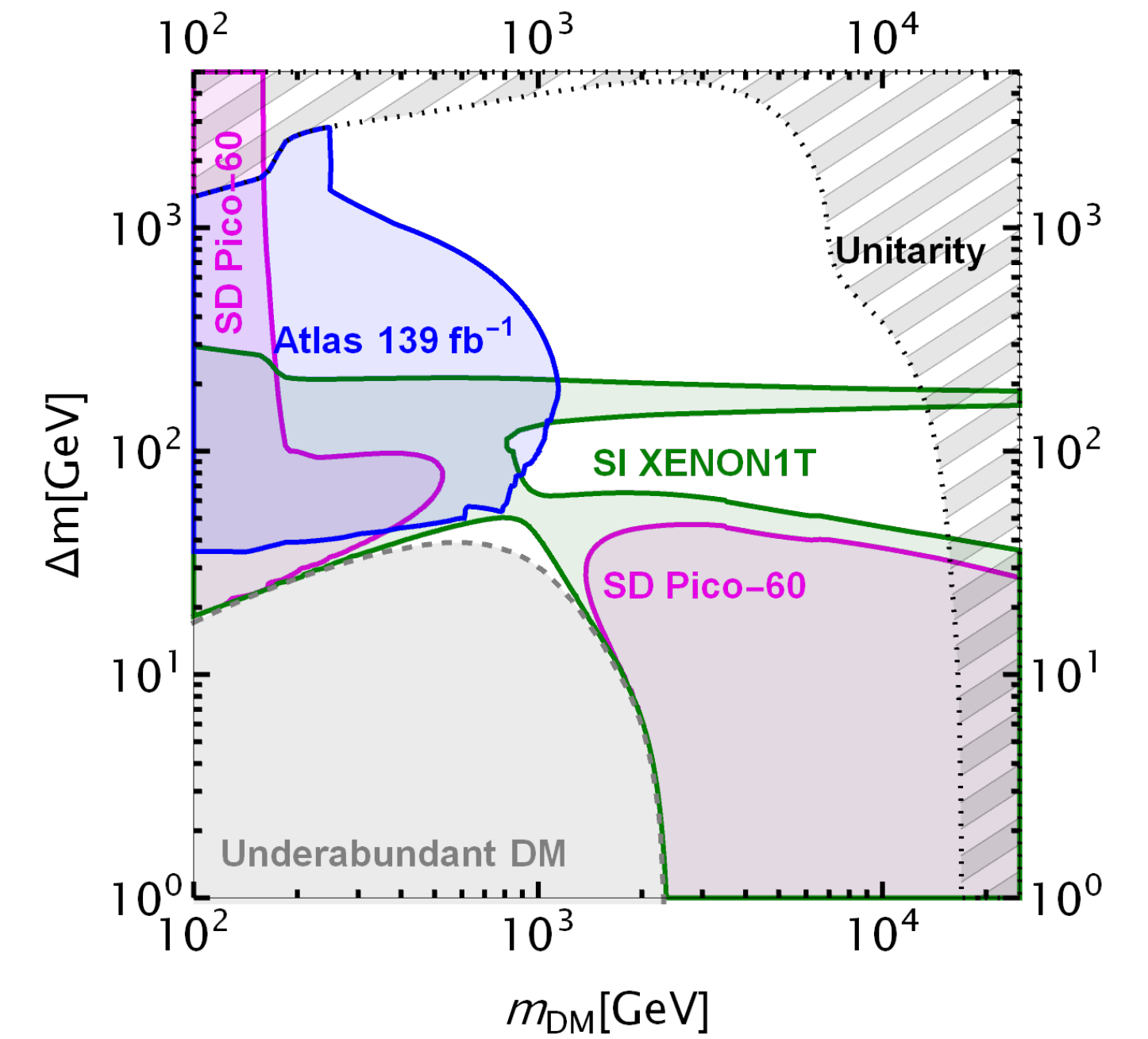
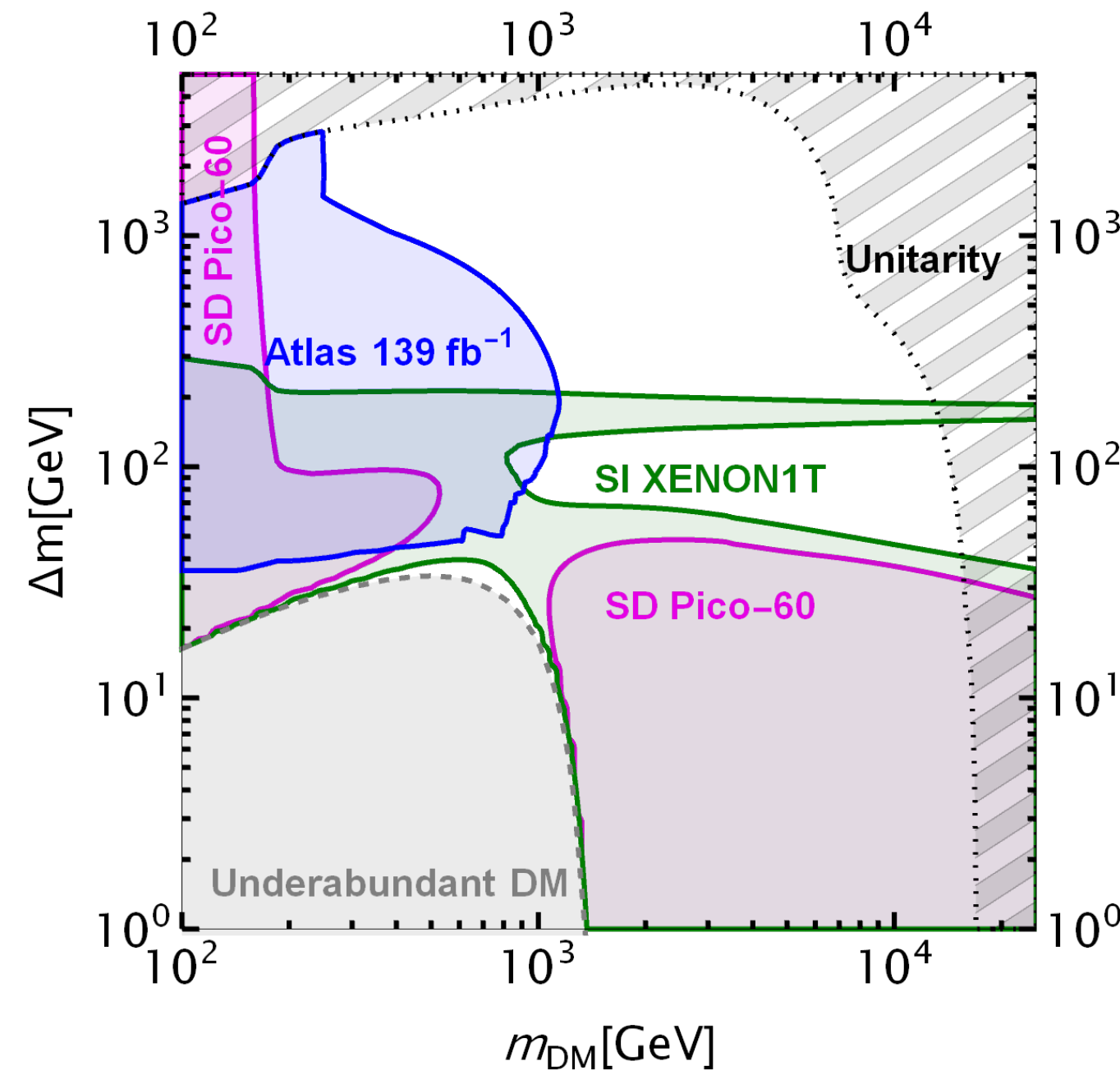
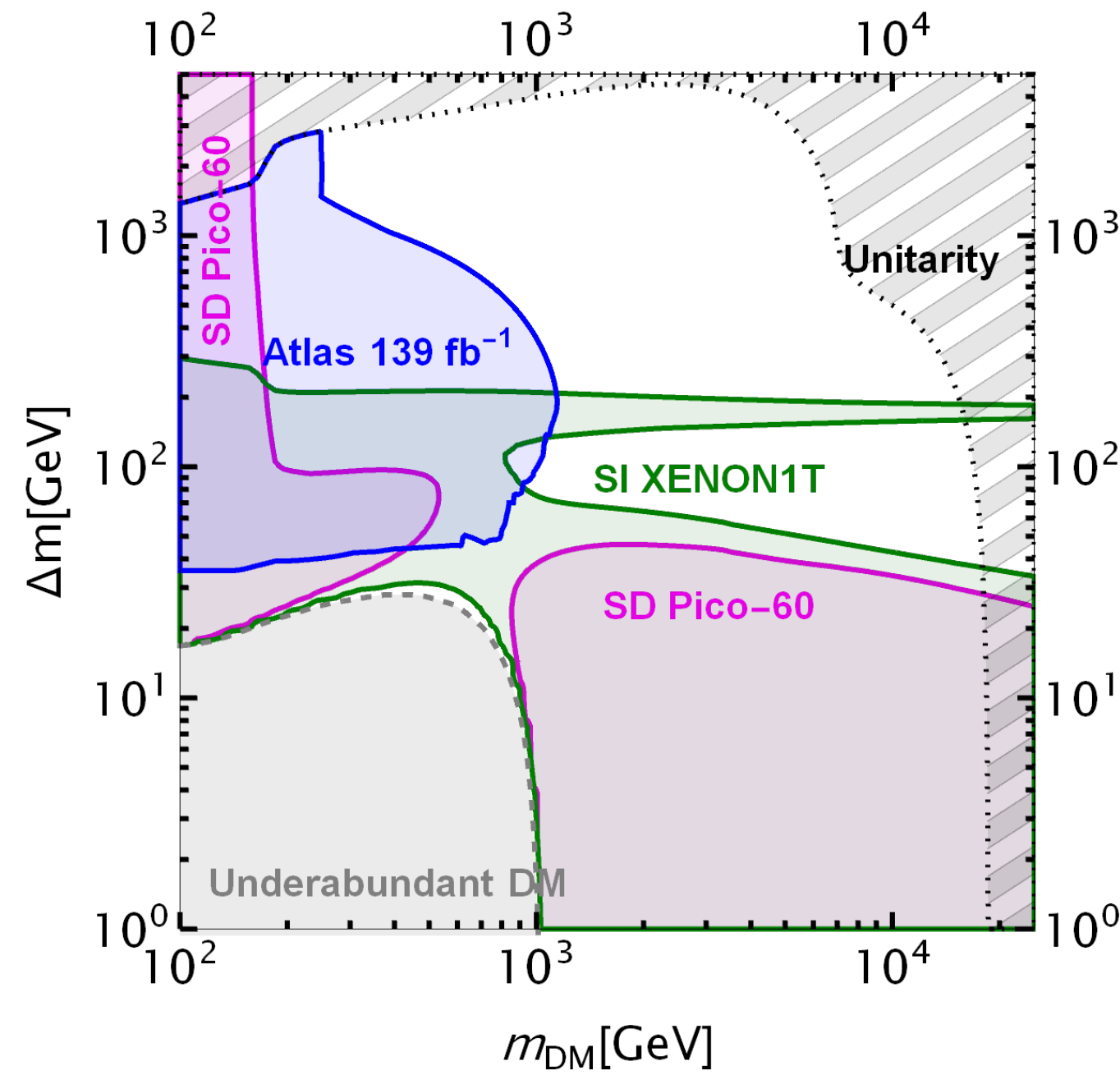
multi-jets + ETmiss search by CMS

[\[arXiv:1704.07781\]](#)

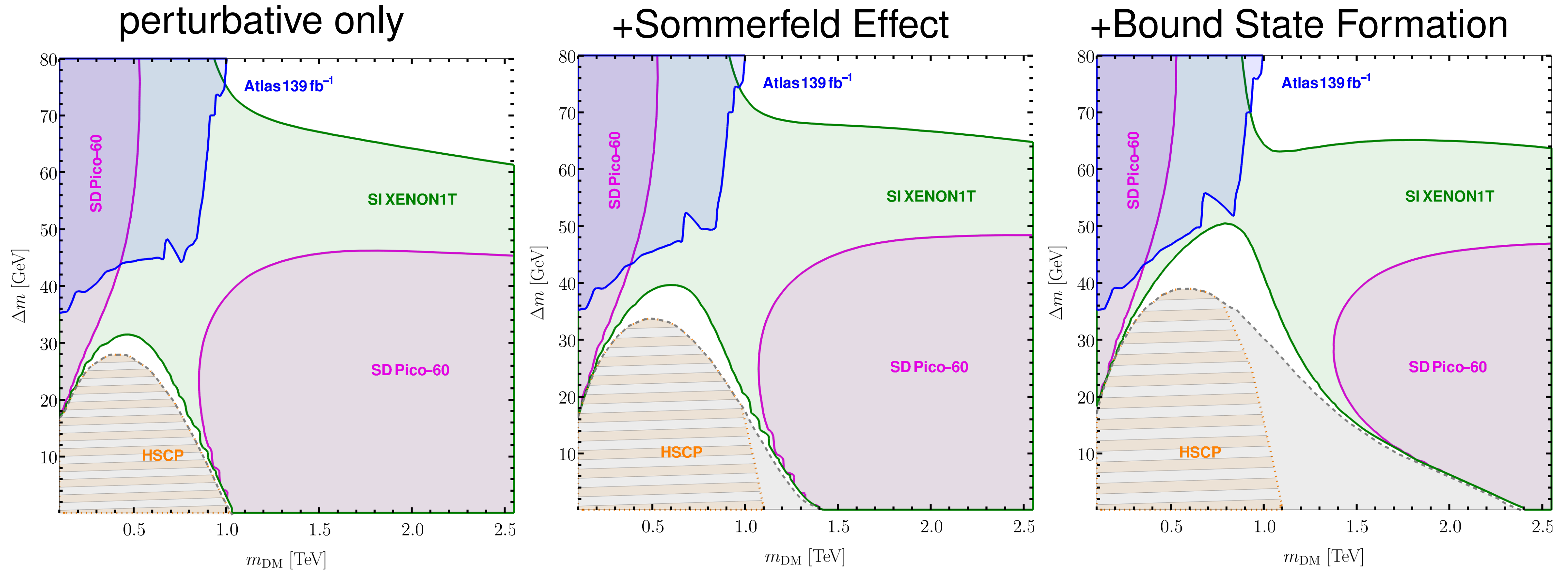
perturbative only

+Sommerfeld Effect

+Bound State Formation



# Full Impact in this seemingly trivial model



$(m_{\text{DM}}, \Delta m) < (1 \text{ TeV}, 30 \text{ GeV})$  to  $(1.4 \text{ TeV}, 40 \text{ GeV})$  (Sommerfeld Effect) and  $(2.4 \text{ TeV}, 50 \text{ GeV})$  (Bound State Formation)

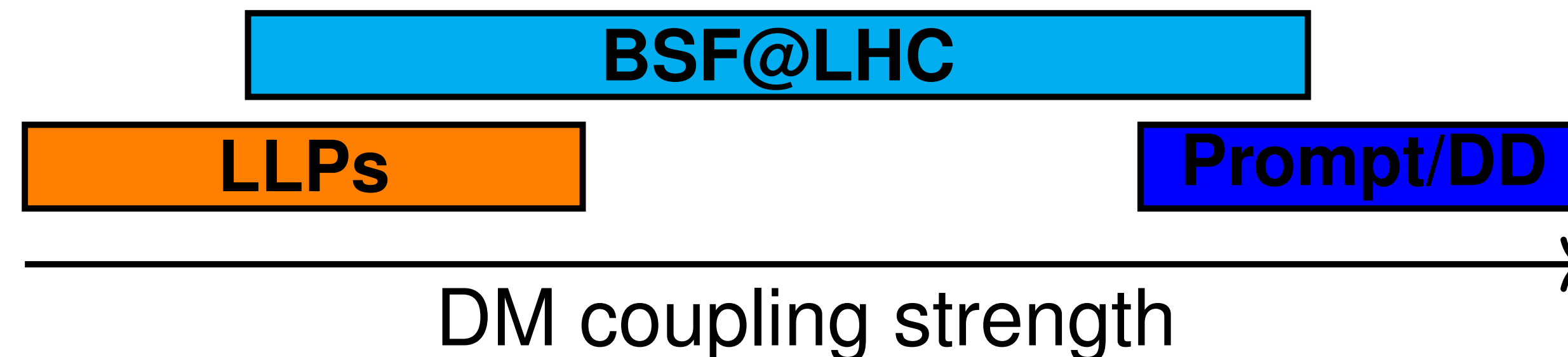
## Bound State Formation at the LHC

### Production Cross Section

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(XX^\dagger)) = \frac{\pi^2}{8m_{\mathcal{B}}^3} \Gamma(\mathcal{B}(XX^\dagger) \rightarrow gg) \mathcal{P}_{gg} \left( \frac{m_{\mathcal{B}}}{13 \text{ TeV}} \right)$$

→ try to observe the bound state resonance in  $\gamma\gamma$  final state. [ATLAS \(2017\)](#)

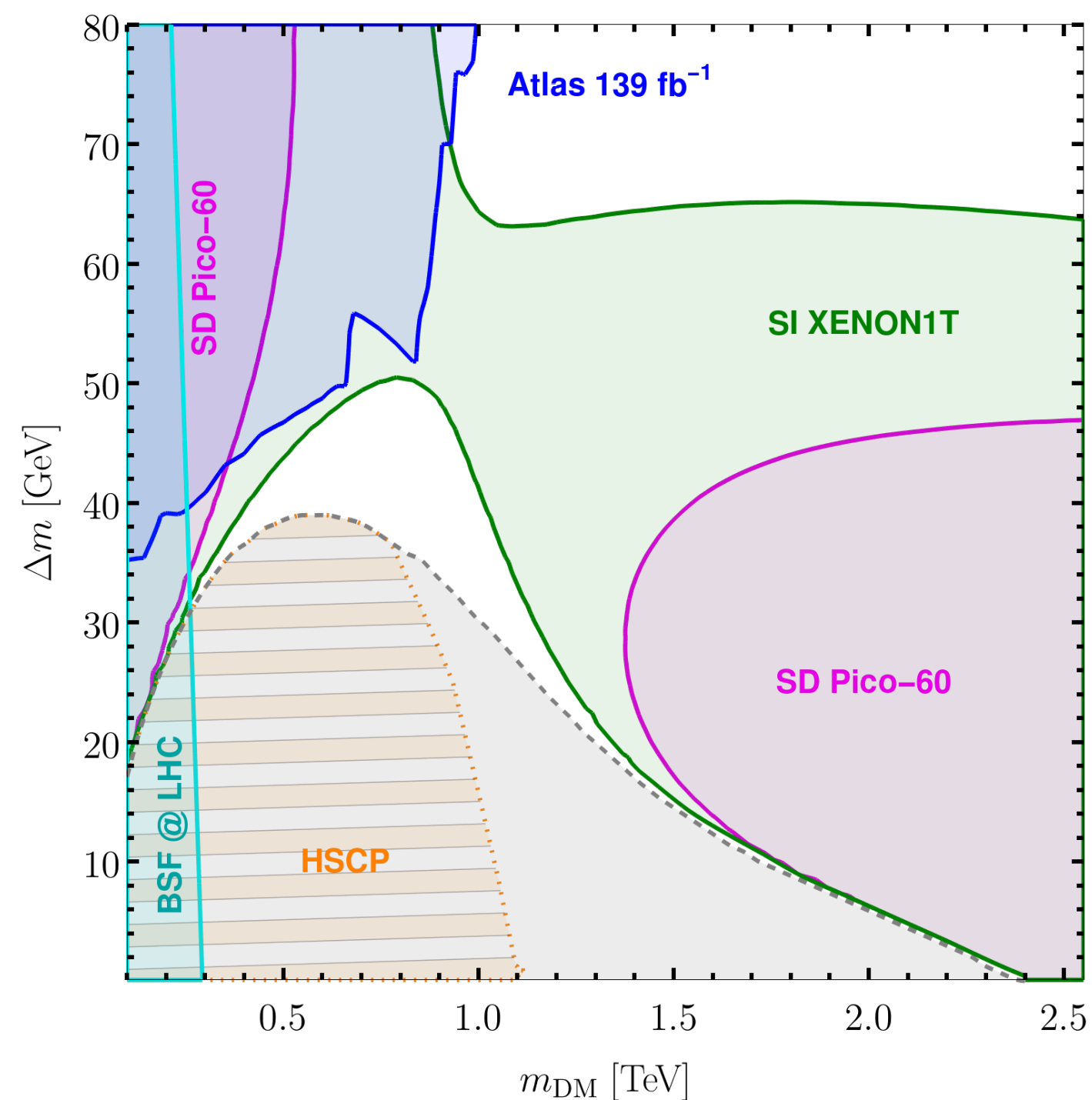
Efficient for **all**  $g_{\text{DM}}$  small enough such that  $\Gamma_X < E_B$ , roughly speaking  $g_{\text{DM}} \lesssim g_s$ .





# Bound State formation at the LHC

Sommerfeld Effect + Bound State Formation



Limits at  $37 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  relatively weak in mass ( $\sim 300 \text{ GeV}$ )  
 But huge potential: **Closes** the gap between prompt and LLP searches

- Highly testable: Parameter space almost completely probed
- Remember: HSCP not a strict exclusion here (BSF@LHC is!)
- Bound State effects enlarge the area still necessary to test

Sommerfeld Effect+Bound State Formation

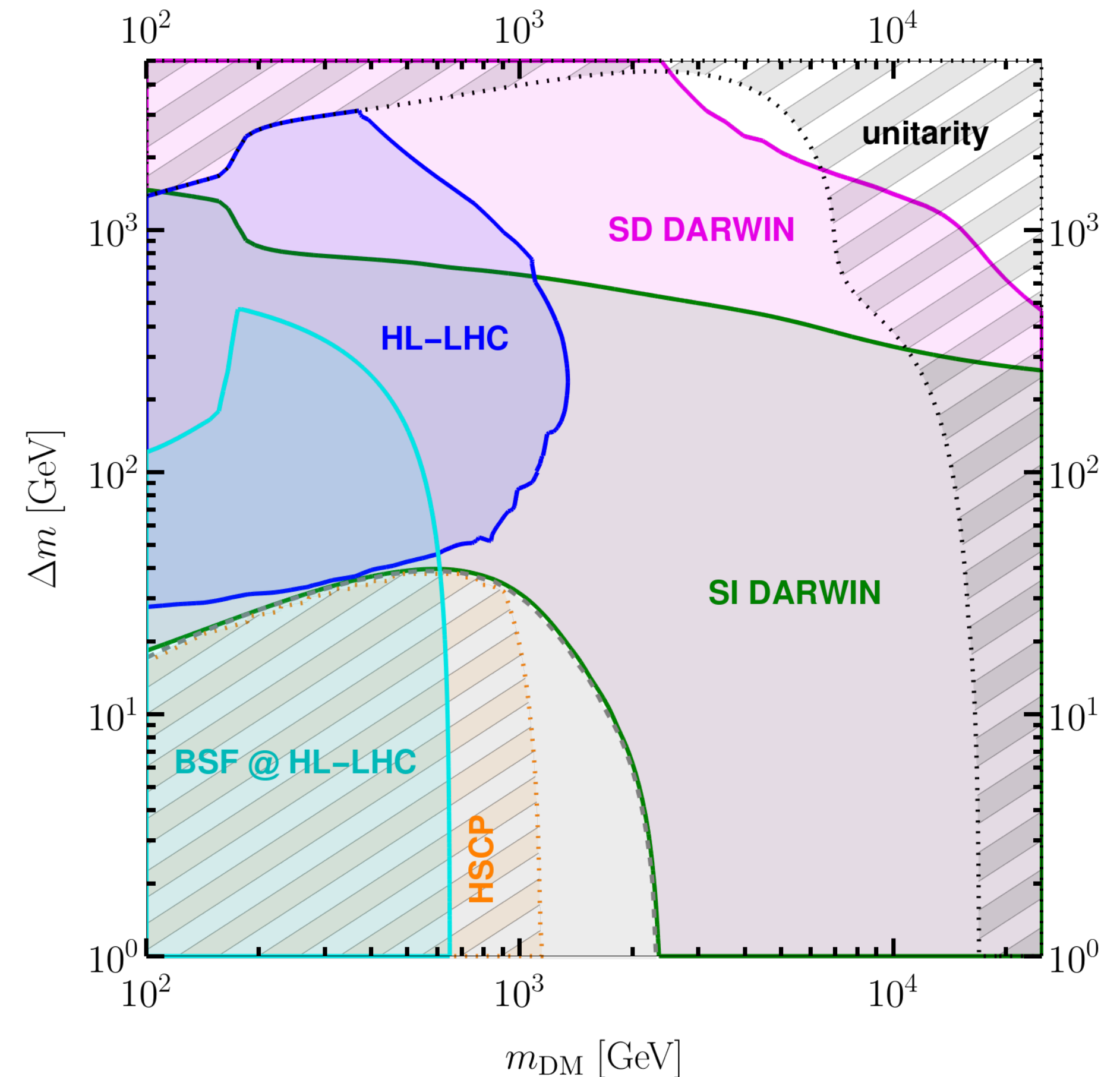
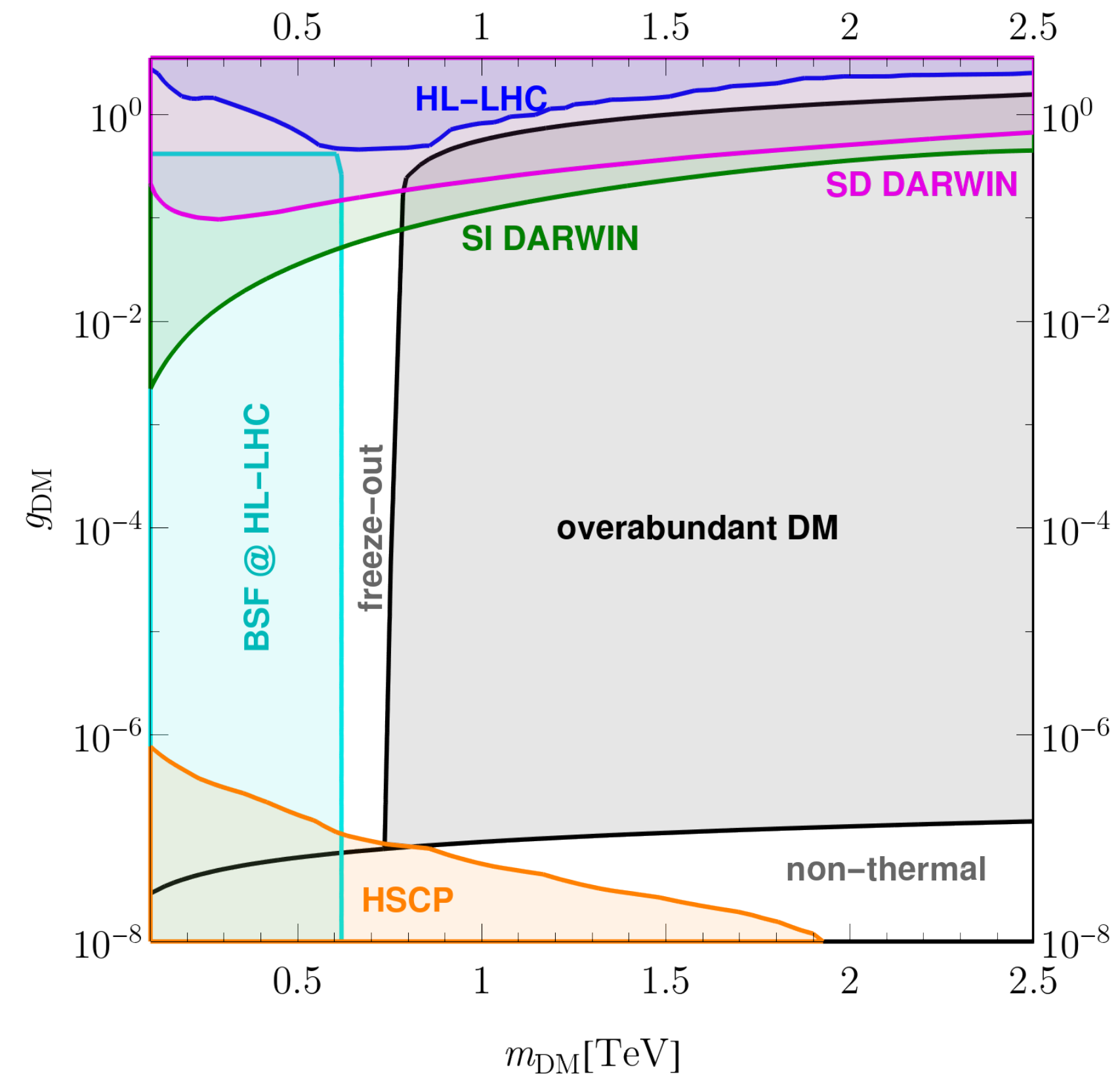


Figure from [MB,Copello,Harz,Mohan,Sengupta(2022)]

# Bound State formation at the LHC

## Potential of BSF@LHC



Note: We fix  $\Delta m = 0.05 m_{\text{DM}}$  here!

Figure from [MB,Copello,Harz,Mohan,Sengupta(2022)]

# Conclusion

- Non-perturbative Effects can increase or decrease the annihilation cross section of DM  
→ Cannot be handled by a flat correction factor!
- Non-perturbative Effects are non-negligible in scenarios of colored coannihilation and **open up** small mass parameter space:  
Viable Parameter space shifts from  $(m_{\text{DM}}, \Delta m) < (1 \text{ TeV}, 30 \text{ GeV})$  to  $(1.4 \text{ TeV}, 40 \text{ GeV})$  (Sommerfeld Effect) and  $(2.4 \text{ TeV}, 50 \text{ GeV})$  (Bound State Formation)  
→ Sommerfeld Effect alone not a good approximation!
- Bound State searches at colliders close the gap in "coupling space" between prompt and long-lived-particle searches



# Direct Detection 101

matrix element for dark matter participating in SI scattering

$$f_N/m_N = \sum_{q=u,d,s} f_{Tq} f_q + \sum_{q=u,d,s,c,b} \frac{3}{4} [q(2) + \bar{q}(2)] (g_q^{(1)} + g_q^{(2)}) - \frac{8\pi}{9\alpha_s} f_{TG} f_G + \frac{3}{4} G(2) (g_G^{(1)} + g_G^{(2)}) ,$$

hadronic matrix elements:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle N | m_q \bar{q}q | N \rangle / m_N &\equiv f_{Tq} , \\ \langle N | -\frac{9\alpha_s}{8\pi} G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu} | N \rangle / m_N &\equiv f_{TG} , \\ \langle N(p) | \mathcal{O}_{q,\mu\nu}^{(2)} | N(p) \rangle &= \frac{1}{m_N} (p_\mu p_\nu - \frac{1}{4} m_N^2 g_{\mu\nu}) [q(2) + \bar{q}(2)] \\ \langle N(p) | \mathcal{O}_{g,\mu\nu}^{(2)} | N(p) \rangle &= \frac{1}{m_N} (p_\mu p_\nu - \frac{1}{4} m_N^2 g_{\mu\nu}) G(2) . \end{aligned}$$

matrix elements of the light quarks ( $q = u, d, s$ ) determined from lattice pion nucleon sigma term

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{\pi N} &= \frac{m_u + m_d}{2} \langle N | (\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d) | N \rangle , \\ \Sigma_- &= (m_d - m_u) \langle N | (\bar{u}u - \bar{d}d) | N \rangle . \end{aligned}$$

matrix elements of the twist-2 operators

Related to second moments of PDF

$$\begin{aligned} [q(2) + \bar{q}(2)] &= \int_0^1 dx x [q(x) + \bar{q}(x)] , \\ G(2) &= \int_0^1 dx x g(x) , \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
m_u &= 2.2 \text{ MeV}, & m_d &= 4.7 \text{ MeV}, & m_s &= 95 \text{ MeV}, \\
m_c &= 1.3 \text{ GeV}, & m_b &= 4.2 \text{ GeV}, & m_t &= 172 \text{ GeV}, \\
m_Z &= 91.188 \text{ GeV}, & \alpha_s(m_Z) &= 0.1184, \\
m_n &= 0.9396 \text{ GeV} & m_p &= 0.9383 \text{ GeV} .
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
[f_{T_u}]_p &= 0.018, & [f_{T_d}]_p &= 0.030, & [f_{T_s}]_p &= 0.043, \\
[f_{T_u}]_n &= 0.015, & [f_{T_d}]_n &= 0.034, & [f_{T_s}]_n &= 0.043, \\
f_{T_G}|_{\text{NNNLO}} &= 0.80 .
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
[u(2) + \bar{u}(2)]_p &= 0.3481, & [d(2) + \bar{d}(2)]_p &= 0.1902, \\
[s(2) + \bar{s}(2)]_p &= 0.0352, & [c(2) + \bar{c}(2)]_p &= 0.0107 , \\
[G(2)]_p &= [G(2)]_n = 0.4159 .
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta u^{(p)} &= 0.84, & \Delta d^{(p)} &= -0.43, & \Delta s^{(p)} &= -0.09, \\
\Delta u^{(n)} &= \Delta d^{(p)}, & \Delta d^{(n)} &= \Delta u^{(p)}, & \Delta s^{(n)} &= \Delta s^{(p)}.
\end{aligned}$$

$$f_{T_G} = -\frac{9\alpha_s(\mu)}{4\pi\beta(\mu)} \left[ 1 - (1 + \gamma_m(\mu)) \sum_{u,d,s} f_{T_q} \right]$$



# Those large logs!





# A closer look at the Wilson Coefficients

$$\frac{g_G^{(1)}}{m_\chi} = \alpha_s \alpha_{DM} \left[ f_1(m_q, M_{\tilde{q}_L}, m_\chi) \log \left( \frac{m_q}{M_{\tilde{q}_L}} \right) + f_2(m_q, M_{\tilde{q}_L}, m_\chi) \right]$$

- For light quarks, large logs dominate the loop integral.
- Including RGE ensures large logs cancel

$$\Delta g_G^{(1)} = \frac{\alpha_s g_{DM}^2 m_\chi}{24\pi (M^2 - m_\chi^2)^2} \log \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)$$

$$\Delta g_G^{(1)} \Big|_{\mu_l} \simeq \frac{m_\chi g_{DM}^2}{72\pi^2 (M_{\tilde{q}}^2 - m_\chi^2)^2} \left[ 3\pi \alpha_s(\mu_h) \log \left( \frac{\mu_l}{\mu_h} \right) + \alpha_s(M_{\tilde{q}}) \log \left( \frac{M_{\tilde{q}}}{m_b} \right) \left( 3\pi - 5\alpha_s(\mu_h) \log \left( \frac{\mu_l}{\mu_h} \right) \right) \right]$$

$$R = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} & & & R_{qq} \\ & \mathbb{I}(R_{qq} - R_{qq'}) + \mathbb{J}R_{qq'} & & \vdots \\ & & & R_{qq} \\ \hline R_{gq} & \dots & R_{gq} & R_{gg} \end{array} \right),$$

$$R_{qq}^{(0)} = 1, \quad R_{gg}^{(0)} = 2[\gamma_m(\mu_h) - \gamma_m(\mu_l)]/\tilde{\beta}(\mu_h),$$

$$R_{gq}^{(0)} = 0, \quad R_{gg}^{(0)} = \tilde{\beta}(\mu_l)/\tilde{\beta}(\mu_h)$$

$$R_{qq}^{(2)} - R_{qq'}^{(2)} = r(0) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s), \quad R_{qq'}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{n_f} \left[ \frac{16r(n_f) + 3n_f}{16 + 3n_f} - r(0) \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

$$R_{gq}^{(2)} = \frac{16[1 - r(n_f)]}{16 + 3n_f} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s),$$

$$R_{gg}^{(2)} = \frac{3[1 - r(n_f)]}{16 + 3n_f} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s), \quad R_{gg}^{(2)} = \frac{16 + 3n_f r(n_f)}{16 + 3n_f} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

$$\langle O_q'^{(0)} \rangle = \langle O_q^{(0)} \rangle + \mathcal{O}(1/m_Q)$$

$$M = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} 1 & & & 0 & 0 \\ & \dots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ & & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \dots & 0 & M_{gQ} & M_{gg} \end{array} \right)$$

$$M_{gQ}^{(0)} = -\frac{\alpha'_s(\mu_Q)}{12\pi} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha'_s(\mu_Q)}{4\pi} \left[ 11 - \frac{4}{3} \log \frac{\mu_Q}{m_Q} \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \right\}$$

$$M_{gg}^{(0)} = 1 - \frac{\alpha'_s(\mu_Q)}{3\pi} \log \frac{\mu_Q}{m_Q} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$$

**Operators Mix**

$$c_j(\mu_0) = R_{jk}(\mu_0, \mu_c) M_{kl}(\mu_c) R_{lm}(\mu_c, \mu_b) M_{mn}(\mu_b) R_{ni}(\mu_b, \mu_t) c_i(\mu_t)$$

$$A^{\mu_1\mu_2} = i\delta f_G (k_2^{\mu_1} k_1^{\mu_2} - g^{\mu_1\mu_2} (k_1 \cdot k_2))$$

## Define Projection Operators

$$C^{\mu_1\mu_2} = i2 \frac{g_G^{(1)}}{m_\chi} \left[ g^{\mu_1\mu_2} (k_1 \cdot k_3) \gamma \cdot k_2 - g^{\mu_1\mu_2} (k_1 \cdot k_4) \gamma \cdot k_2 + g^{\mu_1\mu_2} (k_2 \cdot k_3) \gamma \cdot k_1 \right. \\ - g^{\mu_1\mu_2} (k_2 \cdot k_4) \gamma \cdot k_1 + (k_1 \cdot k_2) (g^{\mu_1\mu_2} (\gamma \cdot k_4 - \gamma \cdot k_3) + \gamma^{\mu_2} (k_3^{\mu_1} - k_4^{\mu_1}) + \gamma^{\mu_1} (k_3^{\mu_2} - k_4^{\mu_2})) \\ - \gamma^{\mu_2} k_2^{\mu_1} (k_1 \cdot k_3) + \gamma^{\mu_2} k_2^{\mu_1} (k_1 \cdot k_4) - k_3^{\mu_2} k_2^{\mu_1} (\gamma \cdot k_1) + k_4^{\mu_2} k_2^{\mu_1} \gamma \cdot k_1 \\ \left. + k_1^{\mu_2} (\gamma^{\mu_1} (k_2 \cdot k_4 - k_2 \cdot k_3) + k_2^{\mu_1} (\gamma \cdot k_3 - \gamma \cdot k_4) + (k_4^{\mu_1} - k_3^{\mu_1}) \gamma \cdot k_2) \right].$$

$$B^{\mu_1\mu_2} = i \frac{g_G^{(2)}}{m_\chi^2} \left[ g^{\mu_1\mu_2} \left( 2(k_1 \cdot k_3)(k_2 \cdot k_3) + 2(k_1 \cdot k_4)(k_2 \cdot k_4) - (k_3^2 + k_4^2)(k_1 \cdot k_2) \right) \right. \\ + k_1^{\mu_2} \left( (k_3^2 + k_4^2) k_2^{\mu_1} - 2(k_3^{\mu_1} (k_2 \cdot k_3) + k_4^{\mu_1} (k_2 \cdot k_4)) \right) \\ + k_3^{\mu_2} \left( 2k_3^{\mu_1} (k_1 \cdot k_2) - 2k_2^{\mu_1} (k_1 \cdot k_3) \right) \\ \left. + 2k_4^{\mu_2} \left( k_4^{\mu_1} (k_1 \cdot k_2) - k_2^{\mu_1} (k_1 \cdot k_4) \right) \right],$$

**Multiply with loop Integrals and solve for Wilson coefficients after performing an expansion in energy**

$$A \cdot (A + B + C) = 32 f_G^2 S^2$$

$$B \cdot (A + B + C) = -2 m_\chi^3 S^2 \left( m_\chi \frac{g_G^{(2)}}{m_\chi^2} + 2 \frac{g_G^{(1)}}{m_\chi} \right) + \mathcal{O}(S^3)$$

$$C \cdot (A + B + C) = 2 m_\chi^2 S^2 \left( m_\chi \frac{g_G^{(2)}}{m_\chi^2} + 4 \frac{g_G^{(1)}}{m_\chi} \right) + \mathcal{O}(S^3)$$



Amplitude of radiative capture into bound state under instantaneous approximation

$$[\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \{nlm\}}^\nu]_{ii',jj'}^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\mu}} \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \tilde{\psi}_{nlm}^*(\mathbf{p}) \tilde{\phi}_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{q}) [\mathcal{M}_{\text{trans}}^\nu(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p})]_{ii',jj'}^a,$$

$$[\mathcal{M}_{\text{trans}}^\nu(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p})]_{ii',jj'}^a = \frac{1}{\mathcal{S}_0(\mathbf{q}; K) \mathcal{S}_0(\mathbf{p}; P)} \int \frac{dq^0}{2\pi} \frac{dp^0}{2\pi} [\mathcal{C}^\nu(q, p; K, P)]_{ii',jj'}^a. \quad (2.17)$$

Here,  $[\mathcal{C}^\nu(q, p; K, P)]_{ii',jj'}^a$  is the sum of all connected diagrams contributing to the process

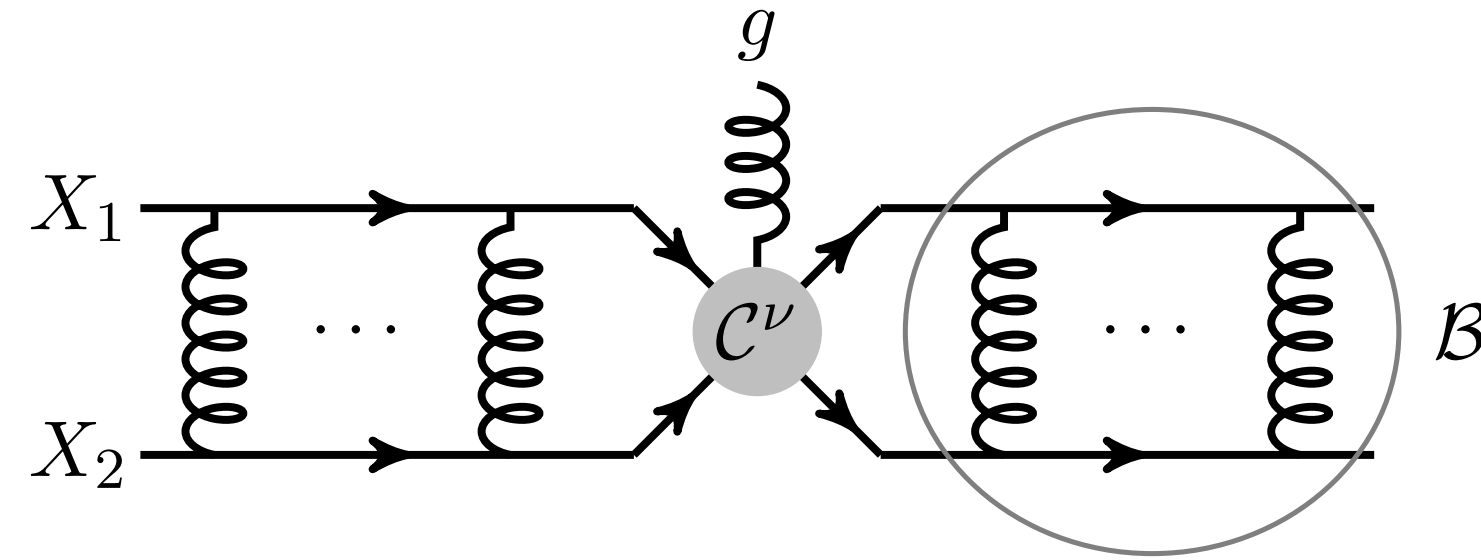
$$X_{1,i}(\eta_1 K + q) + X_{2,j}(\eta_2 K - q) \rightarrow X_{1,i'}(\eta_1 P + p) + X_{2,j'}(\eta_2 P - p) + g^a(P_g), \quad (2.18)$$

$$S(p; P) \equiv S_1(\eta_1 P + p) S_2(\eta_2 P - p),$$

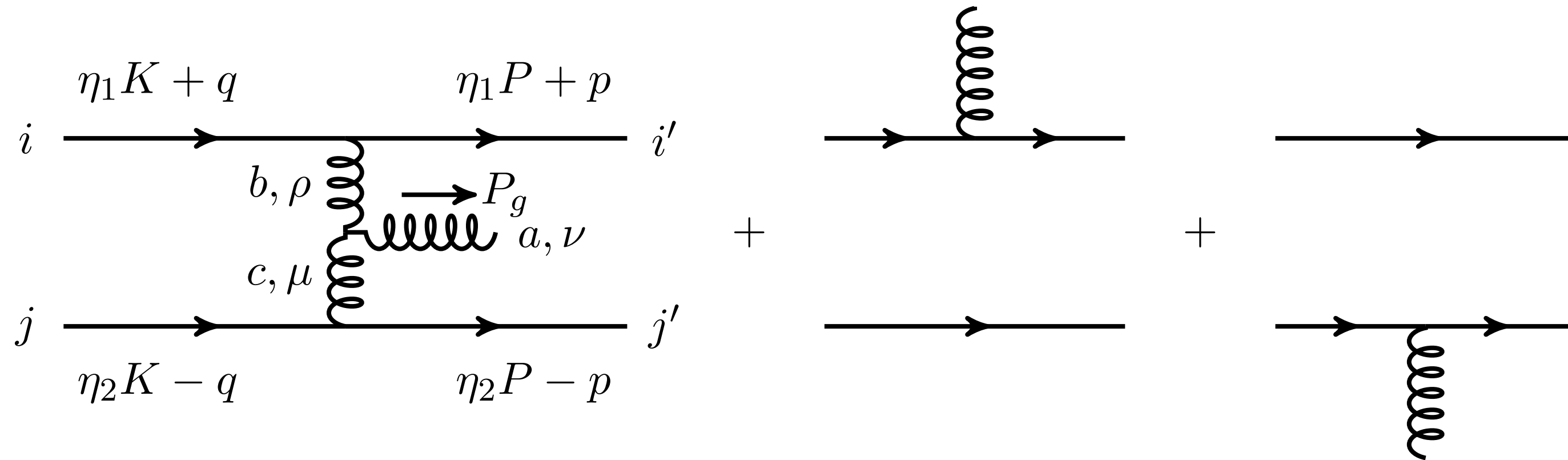
$$\mathcal{S}_0(\mathbf{p}; P) \equiv \int \frac{dp^0}{2\pi} S(p; P).$$

To leading order in the non-relativistic regime [57, appendix C],

$$\mathcal{S}_0(\mathbf{p}; P) \simeq \left[ -i4M\mu \left( P^0 - M - \frac{\mathbf{P}^2}{2M} - \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2\mu} \right) \right]^{-1},$$



(a) The amplitude for the radiative capture consists of the (non-perturbative) initial and final state wavefunctions, and the perturbative 5-point function that includes the radiative vertices.



(b) The leading order diagrams contributing to  $\mathcal{C}^\nu$ . The external-momentum, colour-index and space-time-index assignments are the same in all three diagrams.

**Figure 1.** Radiative capture into bound states.

# Direct Detection 101

## We need the Wilson Co-efficients

determined by matching to matrix elements

Tree level quark Wilson coefficients  $f_q$ ,  $g_q^{(1)}$  and  $g_q^{(2)}$

$$f_q = \frac{g_{DM}^2 m_\chi}{16(M^2 - m_\chi^2)^2}, \quad \text{Suppressed compared to SD matrix elements by } 1/(M^2 - m_\chi^2)$$

$$g_q^{(1)} = \frac{g_{DM}^2 m_\chi}{8(M^2 - m_\chi^2)^2}, \quad 1/(M^2 - m_\chi^2)$$

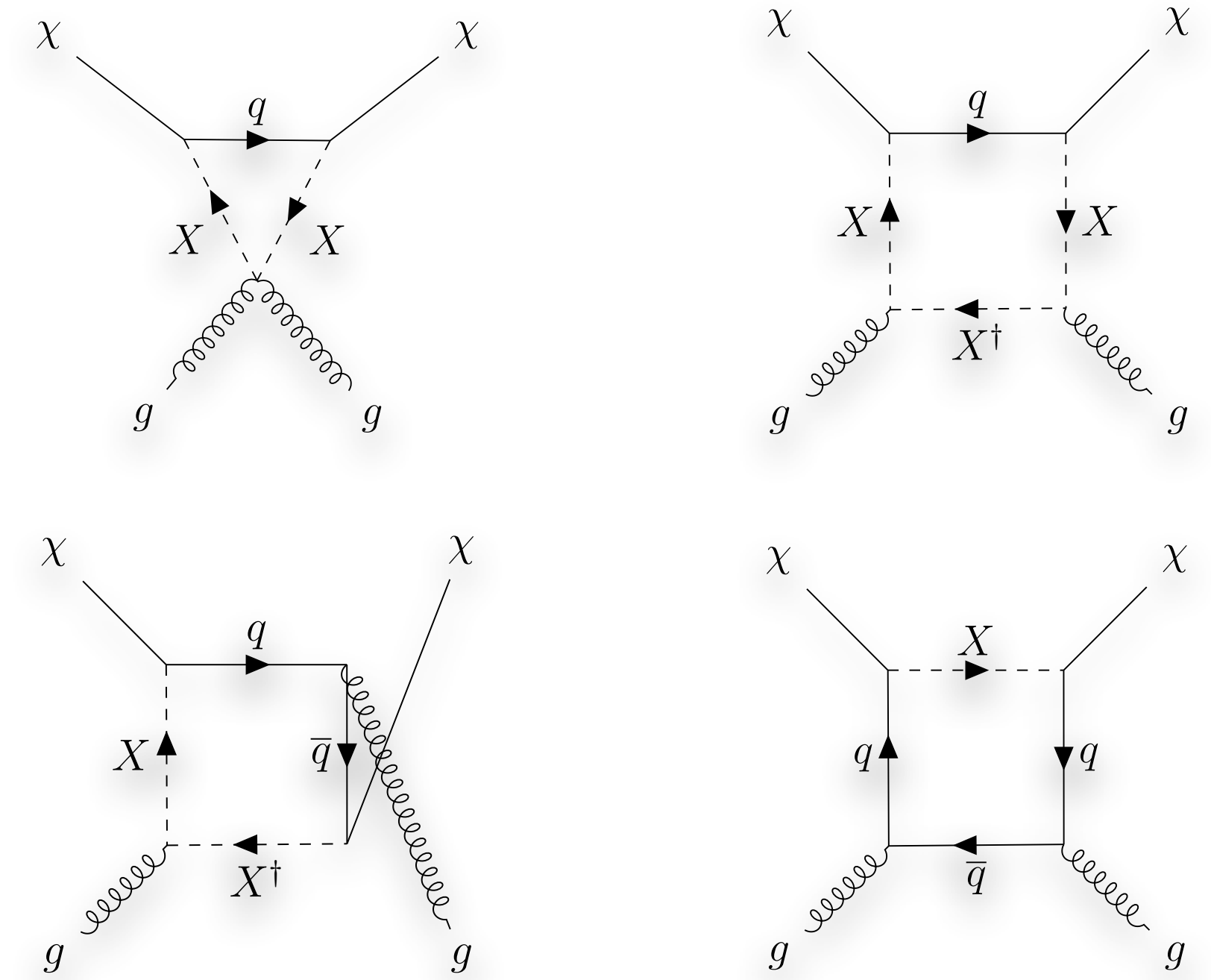
$$g_q^{(2)} = 0.$$

## Gluon Wilson Coefficients

$$f_G \simeq \frac{\alpha_s g_{DM}^2 m_\chi}{192\pi} \frac{(m_\chi^2 - 2M^2)}{M^2(M^2 - m_\chi^2)^2},$$

$$\frac{g_G^{(2)}}{m_\chi^2} \simeq \alpha_s g_{DM}^2 \frac{-2M^2 m_\chi^2 + 2(M^2 - m_\chi^2)^2 \log\left(\frac{M^2}{M^2 - m_\chi^2}\right) + 3m_\chi^4}{48\pi m_\chi^5 (M^2 - m_\chi^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{g_G^{(1)}}{m_\chi} \simeq \frac{\alpha_s g_{DM}^2}{96\pi m_\chi^4 (M^2 - m_\chi^2)^2} \left[ -2m_\chi^4 \log\left(\frac{m_\chi^2}{M^2}\right) - m_\chi^2 (M^2 + 3m_\chi^2) + (M^2 - 3m_\chi^2) (M^2 + m_\chi^2) \log\left(\frac{M^2}{M^2 - m_\chi^2}\right) \right]$$





# Color Decomposition and Bound States Effect

For a scalar-antiscalar pair transforming in the fundamental representation degenerate masses  $m_X$

$$\sigma_{\{100\}}^{[8] \rightarrow [1]} v_{\text{rel}} = \frac{2^7 17^2 \pi \alpha_{s,[1]}^{\text{BSF}} \alpha_{s,[1]}^B}{3^5 m_X^2} S_{\text{BSF}}(\zeta_S, \zeta_B)$$

$$S_{\text{BSF}}(\zeta_S, \zeta_B) = \left( \frac{2\pi\zeta_S}{1 - e^{-2\pi\zeta_S}} \right) \frac{1 + \zeta_S^2}{(1 + \zeta_B^2)^3} \zeta_B^4 e^{-4\zeta_S \text{arccot}(\zeta_B)}$$

$$\zeta_S \equiv \alpha_g^S / v_{\text{rel}} \quad \zeta_B \equiv \alpha_g^B / v_{\text{rel}}$$

S-wave Coulomb Sommerfeld P-wave correction

at large velocities we have  $S_{\text{BSF}} \sim \zeta_B^4 \sim (\alpha_g^B / v_{\text{rel}})^4 \ll 1$  at low velocities  $S_{\text{BSF}} \sim \alpha_g^S / v_{\text{rel}}$

Work for attractive singlet states

$\zeta_S \gtrsim 1$  and  $\zeta_B \gtrsim 1$

BSF cross section is enhanced and competes with Sommerfeld effect

$$\langle \sigma_{\text{BSF}} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle = \left( \frac{\mu}{2\pi T} \right)^{3/2} \int d^3 v_{\text{rel}} \exp(-\mu v_{\text{rel}}^2 / 2T) [1 + f_g(\omega)] \sigma_{\text{BSF}} v_{\text{rel}}$$

$\omega = \mu/2 [(\alpha_g^B)^2 + v_{\text{rel}}^2]$  is the energy emitted by the radiated gluon

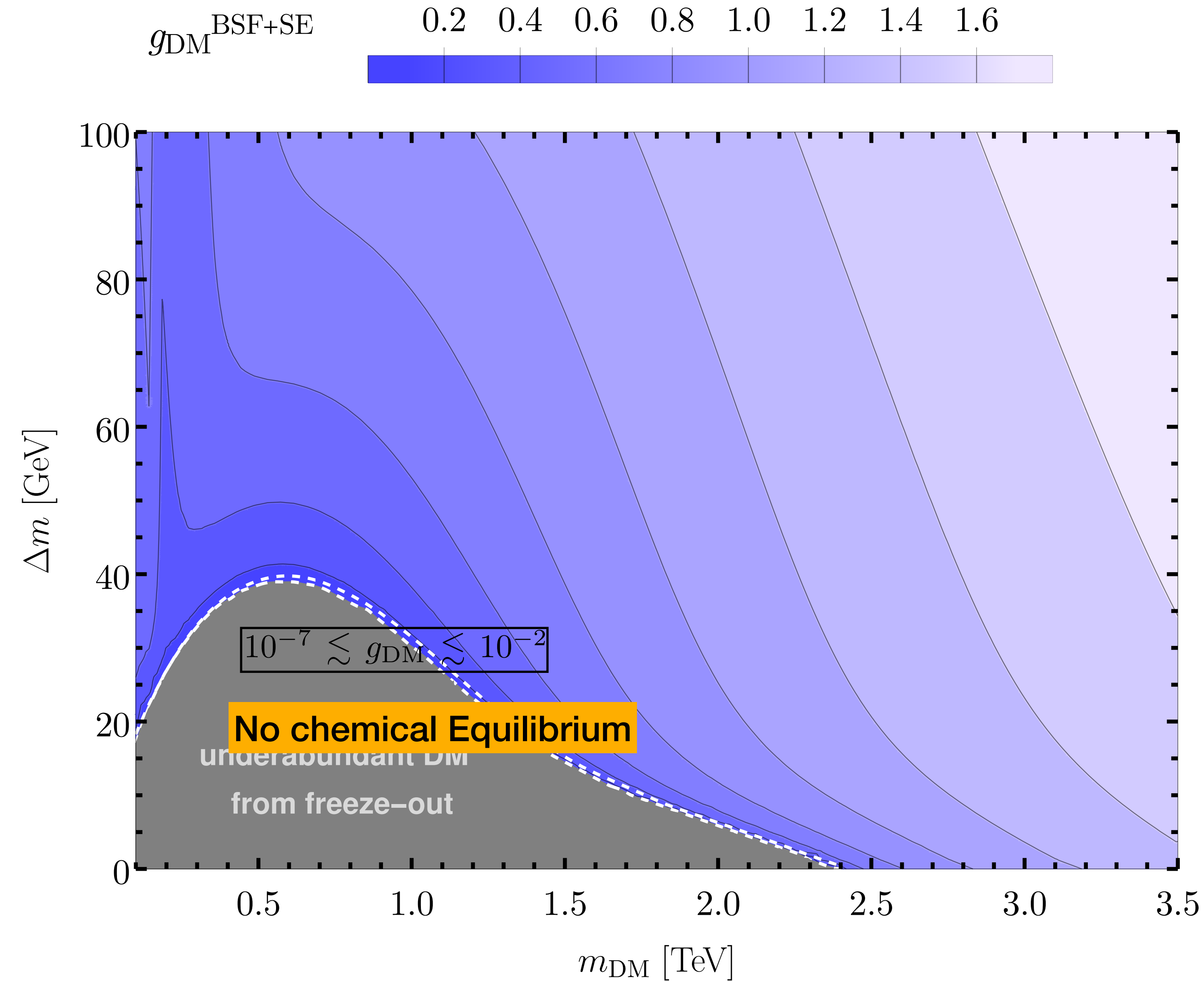
binding energy  $\mathcal{E}_{100} = -\mu(\alpha_g^B)^2/2$   $f_g(\omega) = (\exp(\omega/T) - 1)^{-1}$  is the gluon distribution function

Bose-enhancement factor  $1 + f_g(\omega)$  from the final state gluon

$$Q^{\text{BSF}} \equiv \omega \simeq \mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{k}} - \mathcal{E}_{nlm} = \frac{\mu}{2} \left[ v_{\text{rel}}^2 + (\alpha_{g, [\hat{\mathbf{R}}]}^B)^2 \right]$$

ensure the detailed balance between bound-state formation and ionization reactions

# Relic Abundance



$$\Delta m = m_X - M_{\text{DM}}$$

Demand chemical equilibrium assumption holds

$$\Gamma_X \frac{Y_X^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}}} > H$$

$$\tilde{g}_{\text{DM}} \gtrsim \sqrt{\frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{\text{GeV}}} \left( 1 \cdot 10^{-9} + 6.8 \cdot 10^{-11} \frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{\Delta m} \right)$$

# Color Decomposition and Bound States Effect : Ionisation

At Large Temperatures : Ionisation processes dominates over decays -> Effective Contribution of Bound States in dark sector evolution is negligible.

Relic density is independent of contribution of Bound States

As Universe cools down decays dominate, efficiently depleting the dark sector, ionisation rate is exponentially suppressed

effect of BSF on the Boltzmann equation relevant at temperatures close to the bound state binding energy ( $T \gtrsim \mathcal{E}_B$ )

$$\langle \sigma_{XX^\dagger} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle_{\text{eff}} = \sum_i \left( \langle \sigma_{X_i X_i^\dagger} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle + \langle \sigma_{\text{BSF}}^{[\mathbf{8}] \rightarrow [\mathbf{1}]} v_{\text{rel}} \rangle \frac{\Gamma_{\text{dec}[\mathbf{1}]}}{\Gamma_{\text{dec}[\mathbf{1}]} + \Gamma_{\text{ion},[\mathbf{1}]}} \right)$$