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# Effective Field Theory for Heavy Dark Matter of Arbitrary Spin

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ongoing work

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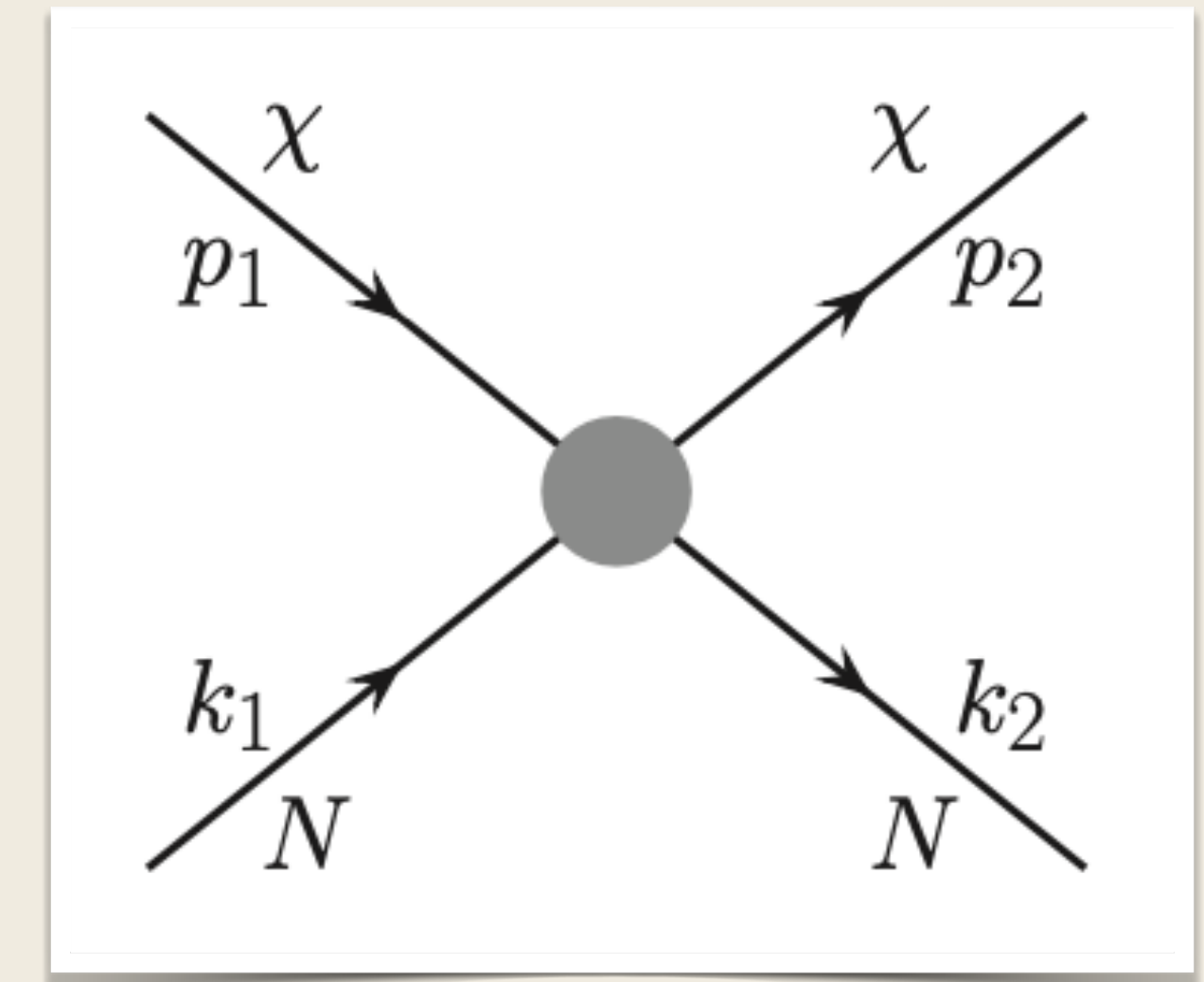
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# Introduction

- Goal: model independent description of direct detection experimental results.

- Consider:

- non-relativistic DM;
- scattering processes;
- small momentum exchanges, i.e.  $p_1 - p_2 = q \ll M$ ;
- heavy mediators;
- arbitrary spin.



- E.g. DM bound states, composite DM.

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=> Combine the best of both: HDMEFT - NR DM for any spin with Lorentz symmetry and couplings to SM fields.

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- Define spin operator:  $S_\mu = -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\alpha\beta\gamma} J^{\alpha\beta} v^\gamma$ , e.g. spin - 1/2:  $S_\mu = \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 / 2$ .
- Choose  $v$  such that  $v \rightarrow v + \frac{q}{M}$ , e.g.  $v^\mu = (1, \vec{0})$ .



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Reparametrization inv. e.g.:  $\mathcal{O}_2^{(5)} - \frac{1}{m_\chi} \mathcal{O}_5^{(6)}$  is RPI  $\Rightarrow \hat{C}_5^{(6)} = -\frac{1}{m_\chi} \hat{C}_2^{(5)}$ .

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- Obtain Wilson coefficients  $c_i^N(q^2)$  and compute cross-sections - direct detection experiments.

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# Conclusions

- Presented a way to build an EFT for heavy Dark Matter of arbitrary spin at LO in  $1/M$ .
- Constraints on DM bound/composite states.
- DM fields embedded in little group rep. - rotational inv.
- Lorentz invariance is present through RPI relations.
- Matching onto NR-nucleon EFT.