

Higher order dark matter annihilations in the Sun and implications for IceCube

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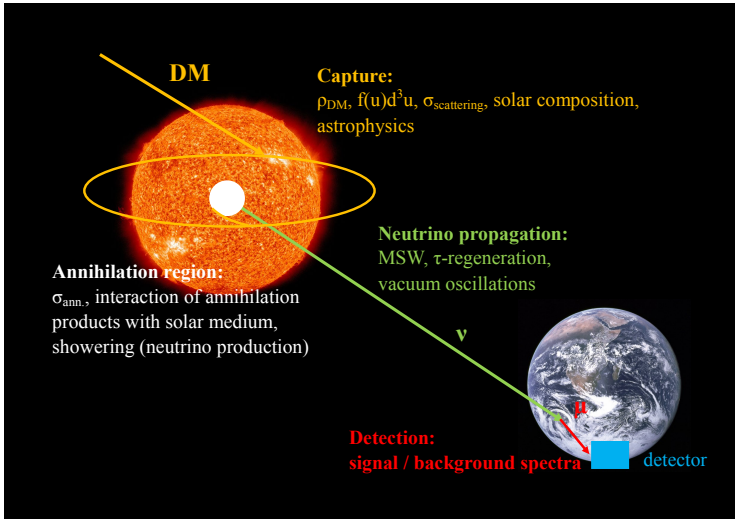
Outline of the talk

High-energy neutrinos from the Sun as a dark matter probe

Higher-order effects in annihilation processes

Conclusions & Outlook

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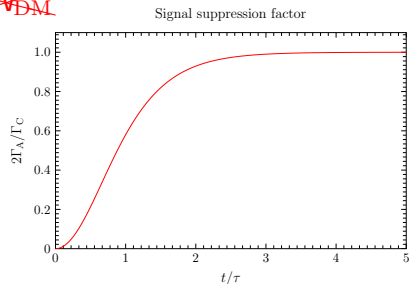
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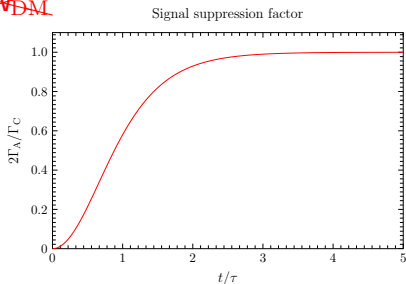
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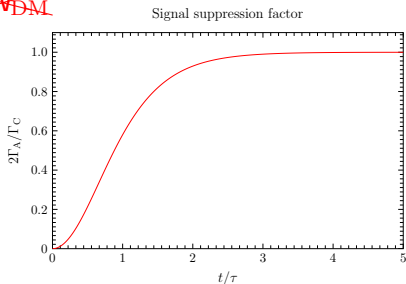
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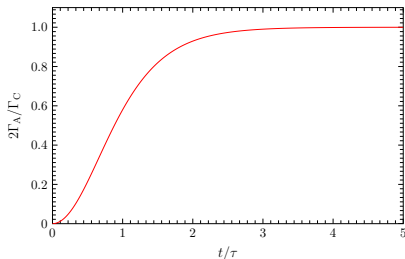
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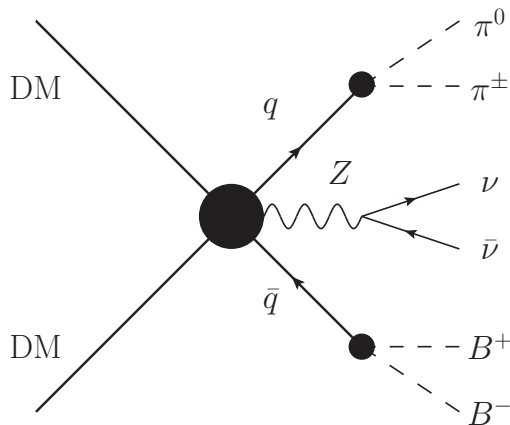


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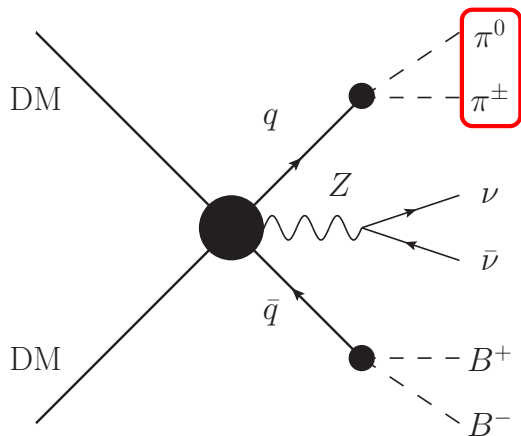
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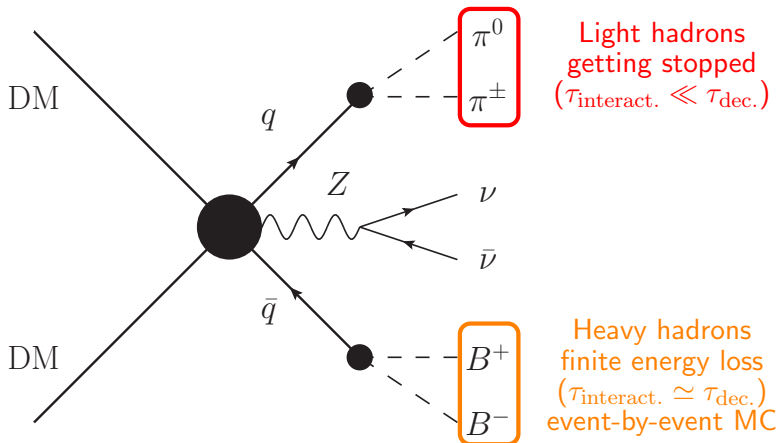
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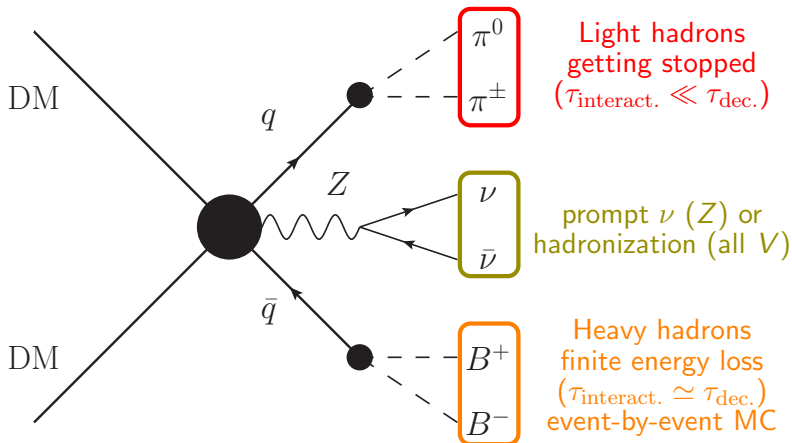


Light hadrons
getting stopped
($\tau_{\text{interact.}} \ll \tau_{\text{dec.}}$)

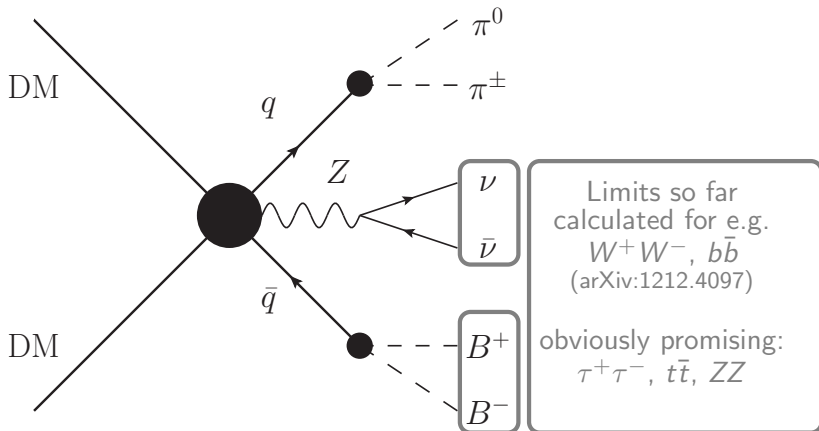
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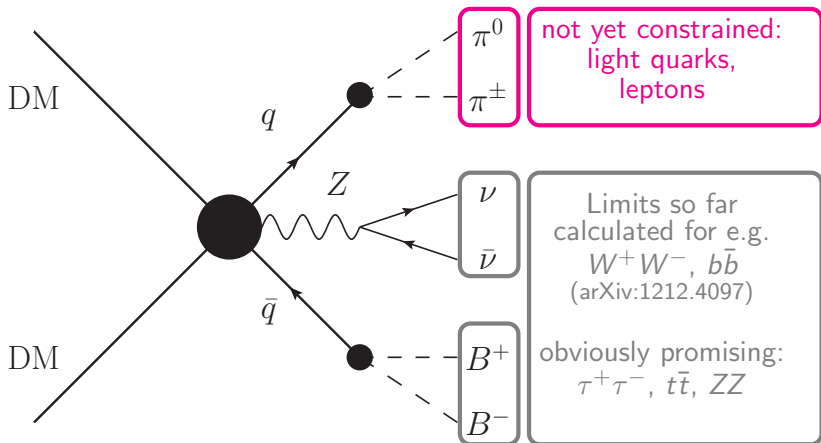
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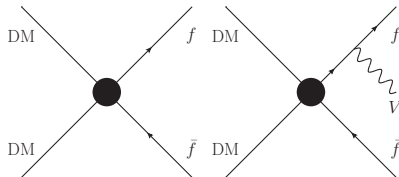
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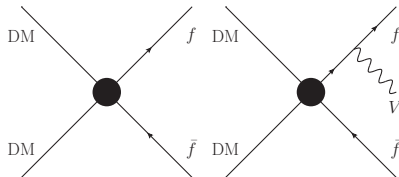
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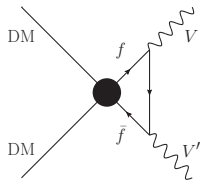
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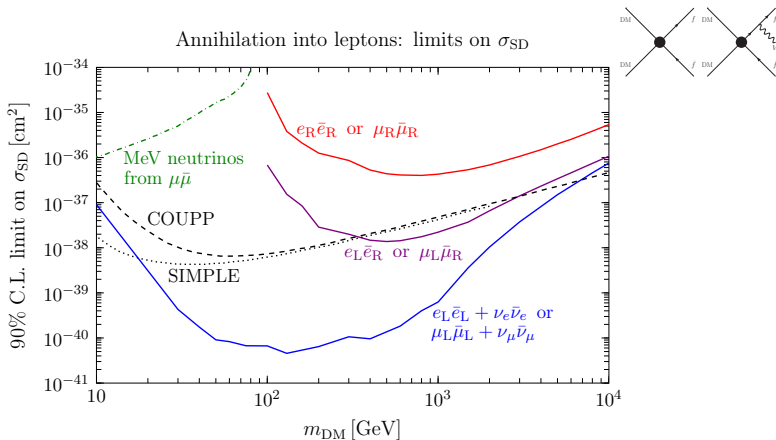
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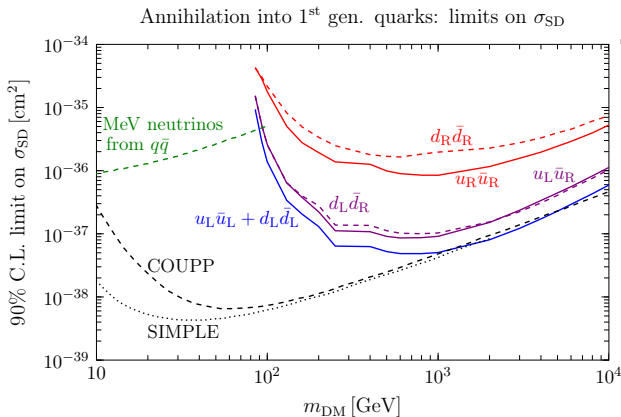
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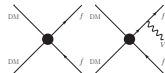
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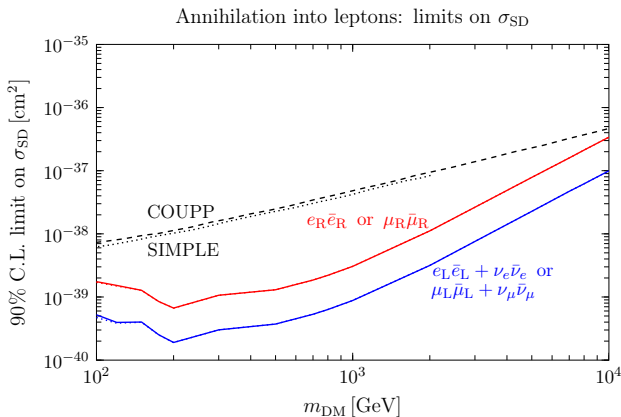
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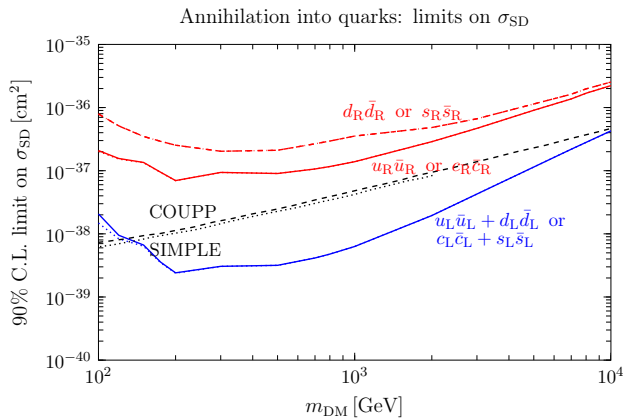


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- ▶ Higher-order corrections to annihilation processes in the Sun yield competitive constraints for
 - ▶ dark matter coupling to light quarks
 - ▶ leptophilic dark matter

Outlook

- ▶ Both cases (loops sub-dominant/dominant) can be mapped to particle physics models → discussed in arXiv:1402.4375
- ▶ The assumption of equilibration is vital → discussed in arXiv:1311.1418