



# EFFECTIVE THEORIES FOR DARK MATTER INTERACTIONS and the neutrino portal paradigm

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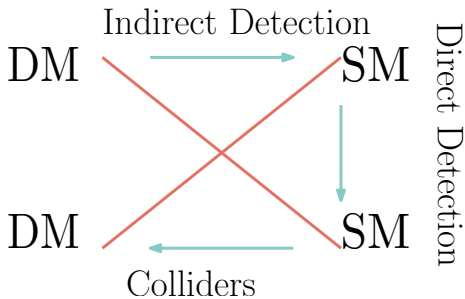
1. Effective DM-SM interactions
2. Scalar & Fermion mediators
3. Fermion DM with fermion mediators
4. Simple model realization
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# DARK MATTER PARTICLE PARADIGM

We are certain (from large scales) that Dark Matter explains:

- ▶ Movement of stars orbiting galaxies (rotational curves)
- ▶ Gravitational lensing observations
- ▶ Average velocities of groups of galaxies

Huge effort at looking for a DM particle and non-gravitational interaction:



# DM PARTICLE PHENOMENOLOGY?

- ▶ Many beyond the SM models include a DM candidate (SUSY, IDM, RNM, etc..)
- ▶ Or phenomenological approach: DM candidate (or reduced number of DM candidates) that satisfy a given symmetry to ensure stability

$$\mathcal{L} \sim \mathcal{O}_{DM}\mathcal{O}_{SM}$$

## Adopted framework

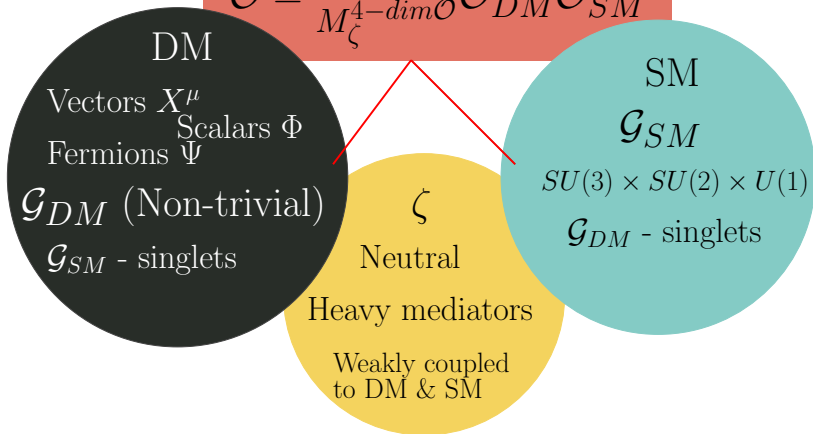
Effective approach: Multi-component DM spectra with non-trivial symmetries. Can include vector, fermions and scalar particles, interacting with SM through heavy weakly coupled mediators.

# EFFECTIVE DM-SM INTERACTIONS

## GENERAL PICTURE. CLASSES OF THEORIES

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$$\mathcal{O} = \frac{c}{M_{\zeta}^{4-\dim\mathcal{O}}} \mathcal{O}_{DM} \mathcal{O}_{SM}$$



## EFFECTIVE OPERATORS

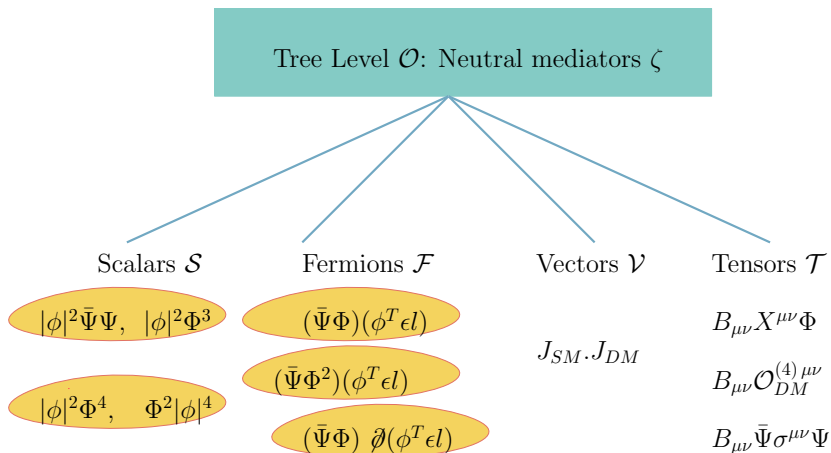
dim.	category	$\mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}}\mathcal{O}_{\text{DM}}$
4	I	$ \phi ^2(\Phi^\dagger\Phi)$
5	II	$ \phi ^2\bar{\Psi}\Psi$ $ \phi ^2\Phi^3$
	III	$(\bar{\Psi}\Phi)(\phi^T\epsilon\ell)$
	IV	$B_{\mu\nu}X^{\mu\nu}\Phi$ $B_{\mu\nu}\bar{\Psi}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\Psi$
6	V	$ \phi ^2\mathcal{O}_{\text{dark}}^{(4)}$ $\Phi^2\mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}}^{(4)}$
	VI	$(\bar{\Psi}\Phi^2)(\phi^T\epsilon\ell)$ $(\bar{\Psi}\Phi)\not{\partial}(\phi^T\epsilon\ell)$
	VII	$J_{\text{SM}}\cdot J_{\text{dark}}$
	VIII	$B_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{O}_{\text{dark}}^{(4)\mu\nu}$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}}^{(4)}: \{|\phi|^4, \square|\phi|^2, |\Phi|^4, \square|\Phi|^2, \bar{\psi}\varphi\psi', B_{\mu\nu}^2, (W_{\mu\nu}^I)^2, (G_{\mu\nu}^A)^2\}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{DM}}^{(4)}: \{|\Phi|^4, \square|\Phi|^2, \bar{\Psi}\Phi\Psi', X_{\mu\nu}^2\}$$

$$J_{\text{SM}}^{(\psi)\mu} = \bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi, \quad i\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \phi, \quad J_{\text{dark}}^{(L,R)\mu} = \bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu P_{L,R}\Psi, \quad i\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi$$

# TREE-LEVEL / LOOP-LEVEL GENERATED OPERATORS



Consider case: Fermions and scalars. Vector or antisymmetric tensor mediators require details on local DM symmetries.



# THE EFFECTIVE LAGRANGIAN

- ▶ Below the mediator mass scale: Effective theory resulting from integrating out all modes with energy above this scale.
- ▶ Modes: Mediators and Standard Model and Dark Fields with higher momenta "high-momentum modes" (HMM)
- ▶ For neutral mediator integrated modes: operators of dimension  $\leq 6$  are either generated at tree-level or are not generated at any order in the loop expansion
- ▶ From HMM integrated modes: operators are loop generated and suppressed by  $\sim 1/(4\pi)^{2L}$ , where  $L$  is the number of loops.

## General form of effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{(\zeta)} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{dark}} + c_I |\phi|^2 |\Phi|^2 + \mathcal{L}^{(\zeta\text{-tree})} + \mathcal{L}^{(\zeta\text{-loop})} \quad (1)$$

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The resulting effective Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}^{(\mathcal{S}\text{-tree})} = \frac{c_{\Pi}}{\Lambda} |\phi|^2 \bar{\Psi}\Psi + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(\mathcal{S}\text{-loop})} = \frac{1}{(4\pi\Lambda)^2} \left( \sum_i c_{\text{V}}^i |\phi|^2 \mathcal{O}'_{\text{dark}, i} + \sum_a c_{\text{V}}^a |\Phi|^2 \mathcal{O}'_{\text{SM}, a} \right) \dots$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}}^{(4)}: \{|\phi|^4, \square|\phi|^2, |\Phi|^4, \square|\Phi|^2, \bar{\psi}\varphi\psi', B_{\mu\nu}^2, (W_{\mu\nu}^I)^2, (G_{\mu\nu}^A)^2\}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{DM}}^{(4)}: \{|\Phi|^4, \square|\Phi|^2, \bar{\Psi}\Phi\Psi', X_{\mu\nu}^2\}$$

$|\Phi|^2(\bar{\Psi}\Psi)$  :  $\sim$  Single-component model (lightest dark particle)

Higgs-portal coupling  $\rightarrow$  studied extensively

# FERMION MEDIATORS

$$\mathcal{L}^{(\mathcal{F}\text{-tree})} = \frac{c_{\text{III}}}{\Lambda} (\bar{\Psi}\Phi)(\tilde{\phi}^\dagger \ell) + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(\mathcal{F}\text{-loop})} = & \frac{c_{\text{II}}}{16\pi^2\Lambda} |\phi|^2 \bar{\Psi}\Psi + \sum_{a=\ell, \phi; i=L,R} \frac{c_{\text{VII}}^{(a|i)}}{(4\pi\Lambda)^2} \left( J_{\text{SM}}^{(a)} \cdot J_{\text{dark}}^{(i)} \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{(4\pi\Lambda)^2} \left( \sum_i c_V^i |\phi|^2 \mathcal{O}'_{\text{dark}, i}{}^{(4)} + \sum_a c_V^a |\Phi|^2 \mathcal{O}'_{\text{SM}, a}{}^{(4)} \right) \dots \end{aligned}$$

Note: category II operator  $|\phi|^2 \bar{\Psi}\Psi$  has a loop-suppressed coefficient for these models, which was not the case for the  $\mathcal{S}$ -mediated case.

In the unitary gauge:

$$\nu\Phi^\dagger\Psi \in (\bar{\Psi}\Phi)(\tilde{\phi}^\dagger l)$$

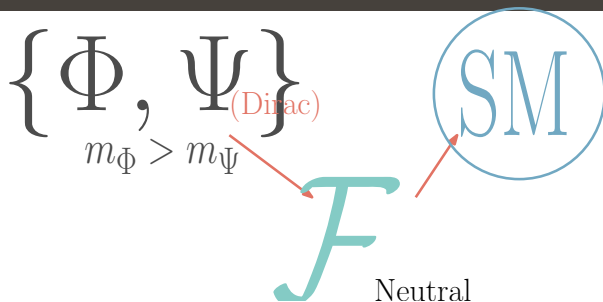
Heavier DM decays promptly  
into Light DM and  $\nu$   
Single-component DM Relic

$m_\Psi > m_\Phi$   
Higgs Portal

$m_\Phi > m_\Psi$   
Neutrino Portal

# FERMION DM WITH FERMION MEDIATORS

## GENERAL SCENARIO

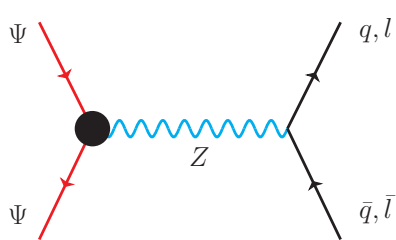
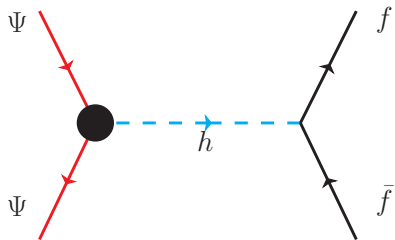
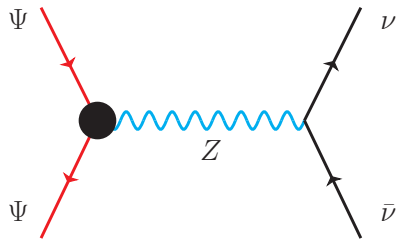
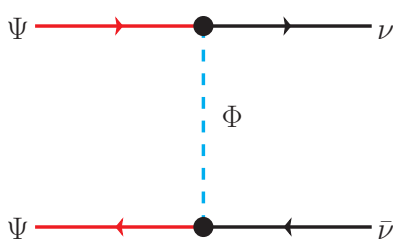


## Leading interactions

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\bar{\Psi}\Phi)(\tilde{\phi}^\dagger\ell) &= \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}(\bar{\Psi}\nu\Phi) + \dots \\
 \bar{\Psi}\Psi|\phi|^2 &= vH(\bar{\Psi}\Psi) + \dots \\
 J_{\text{SM}}^{(\phi)} \cdot J_{\text{dark}}^{(L,R)} &= -vm_Z\bar{\Psi}\not{Z}P_{L,R}\Psi \dots
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$



# RELIC ABUNDANCE: $\Psi\Psi \rightarrow SM, SM$





The cross section for  $\Psi\Psi$  annihilation has a dominant contribution from  $\Phi$  exchange and two resonant contributions from the Higgs and the  $Z$  boson

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle\sigma v\rangle_{\Psi\Psi\rightarrow ff} &\simeq \frac{N_f m_f^2}{4\pi m_\Psi} \left(\frac{c_{\text{II}}}{16\pi^2 \Lambda}\right)^2 \frac{(m_\Psi^2 - m_f^2)^{3/2}}{(m_H^2 - 4m_\Psi^2)^2 + m_H^2 \Gamma_H^2} \\
 \langle\sigma v\rangle_{\Psi\Psi\rightarrow\nu\nu} &\simeq \frac{(v/\Lambda_{\text{eff}})^4}{256\pi m_\Psi^2} \left[ \left| \frac{1}{2} + B_L + B_R \right|^2 + \frac{3}{4} \right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{L,R} &= \left(1 + \frac{m_\Phi^2}{m_\Psi^2}\right) \left(\frac{g}{4\pi c_w}\right)^2 \frac{c_{\text{VII}}^{(\phi|L,R)}}{c_{\text{III}}^2} \frac{m_\Psi^2}{m_Z^2 - 4m_\Psi^2 + im_Z \Gamma_Z} \\
 \Lambda_{\text{eff}} &= \sqrt{1 + \frac{m_\Phi^2}{m_\Psi^2} \frac{\Lambda}{c_{\text{III}}}}
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

# NUMERICAL CONSTRAINTS

Using Planck results (2014)  $\Omega_{\text{Planck}} h^2 = 0.1198 \pm 0.0026 \quad (3 \sigma)$ .

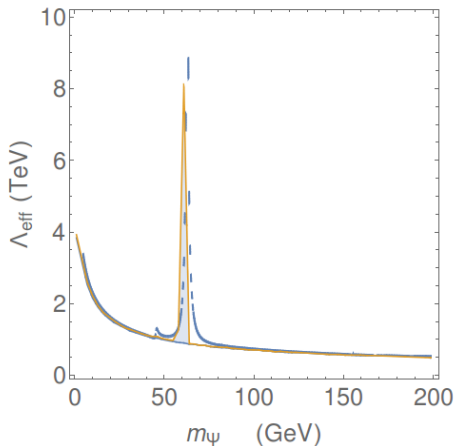
## Parameter space.

Using MicrOmegas code: systematic selection of  $2 \times 10^7$  points in the 7-dim. parameter space  $\{c_{\text{II}}, c_{\text{III}}, c_{\text{VII}}^{(\phi|L,R)}, \Lambda, m_{\Psi}, m_{\Phi}\}$  within the ranges

$$1 \text{ GeV} \leq m_{\Psi} \leq 199 \text{ GeV}, \quad 1 \text{ TeV} \leq \Lambda \leq 5 \text{ TeV},$$

$$11 \text{ GeV} \leq m_{\Phi} \leq 836 \text{ GeV}, \quad 0 \leq c_{\text{III}} \leq 4,$$

$$|c_{\text{II}}| \leq 10, \quad -8 \leq c_{\text{VII}}^{(\phi|L)} \leq 0, \quad -10 \leq c_{\text{VII}}^{(\phi|R)} \leq 0. \quad (5)$$



In analytic expression (blue line):

$c_{\text{II}} = 0.08$ ,  $c_{\text{III}} = 1.5$ ,  $c_{\text{VII}}^{(\phi|R)} = -10$ ,  $c_{\text{VII}}^{(\phi|L)} = 0$ . The graph clearly exhibits the two resonant peaks at  $m_{\Psi} = m_Z/2$  and  $m_{\Psi} = m_H/2$

We see that outside the resonant values of  $m_\Psi$  the Planck constraint restricts  $\Lambda_{\text{eff}} - m_\Psi$  plane to a narrow region that is well approximated by the relation

$$\Lambda_{\text{eff}} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{m_\Omega}{m_\Psi}} \text{TeV}; \quad m_\Omega \simeq 74\text{GeV} \quad (\text{non-resonant region}). \quad (6)$$

# DIRECT DETECTION $\Psi, SM \rightarrow \Psi, SM$

Relevant terms contained in:

$$\mathcal{L}^{(\mathcal{F}\text{-loop})} = \frac{v c_{\text{II}}}{16\pi^2 \Lambda} H \bar{\Psi} \Psi - \frac{g}{2 c_w} \frac{v^2}{16\pi^2 \Lambda^2} \bar{\Psi} Z \left( c_{\text{VII}}^{(\phi|L)} P_L + c_{\text{VII}}^{(\phi|R)} P_R \right) \Psi$$

From this expression we extract

$$\epsilon_H = \frac{v^3}{16\pi^2 \Lambda m_H^2} c_{\text{II}}; \quad \epsilon_Z = -\frac{v^2}{16\pi^2 \Lambda^2} \frac{c_{\text{VII}}^{((\phi|L))} + c_{\text{VII}}^{((\phi|R))}}{2}$$

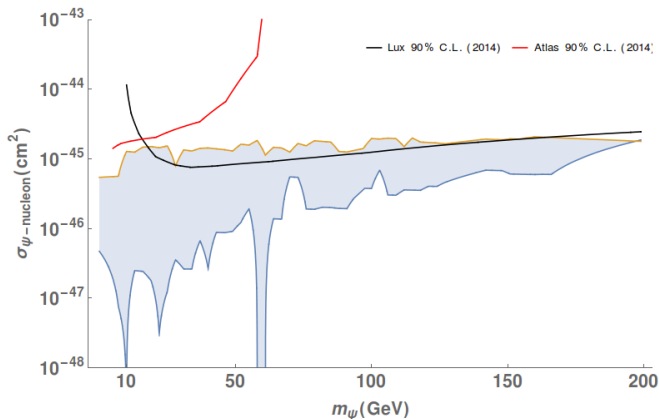
that provide estimates of the strength of the  $H$  and  $Z$  exchanges to the total direct-detectino cross section

The total cross section is given by

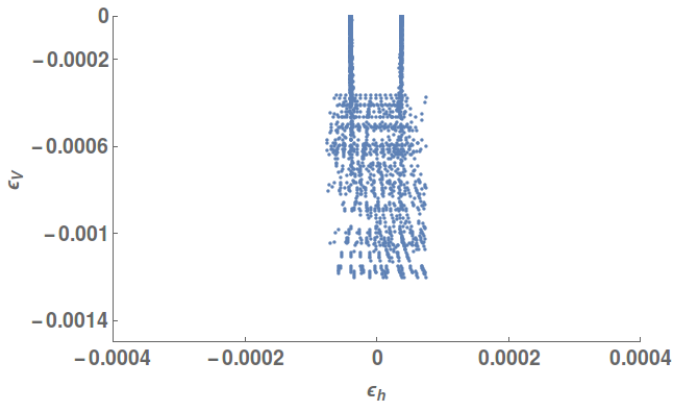
$$\sigma_{\Psi \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \Psi \mathcal{N}} = \frac{4}{\pi} \mu_{\text{red}}^2 |(Z/A) \mathcal{A}_p + (1 - Z/A) \mathcal{A}_n|^2$$

where  $\mathcal{A}_{p,n}$  denote, respectively the amplitudes for proton and neutron scattering (in units of  $1/\text{mass}^2$ ), and  $A, Z$  denote the atomic number and charge and  $\mu_{\text{red}}$  the  $\mathcal{N} - \Psi$  reduced mass

## LUX &amp; ATLAS RESULTS



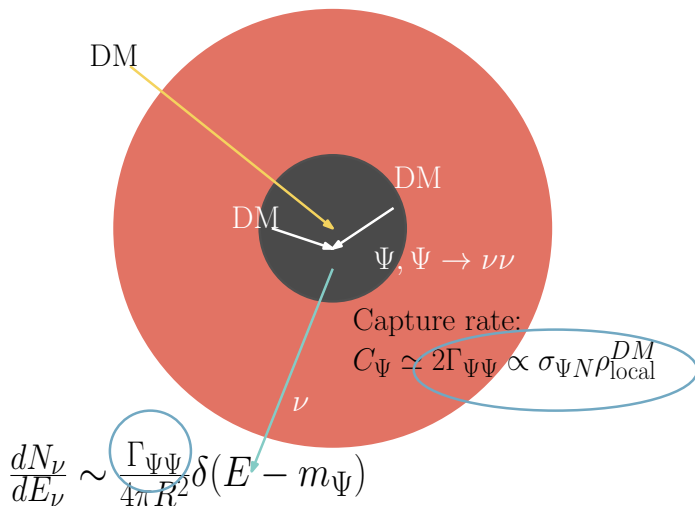
Planck @ $3\sigma$ . 90% C.L. Lux limit (black line). Atlas upper limits (red line) at 90% C.L. on the DM-nucleon cross section from Higgs invisible decay to DM (Majorana) fermions.



$$\epsilon_H = \frac{v^3}{16\pi^2 \Lambda m_H^2} c_{\text{II}}; \quad \epsilon_Z = -\frac{v^2}{16\pi^2 \Lambda^2} \frac{c_{\text{VII}}^{((\phi|L))} + c_{\text{VII}}^{((\phi|L))}}{2}$$

## INDIRECT DETECTION

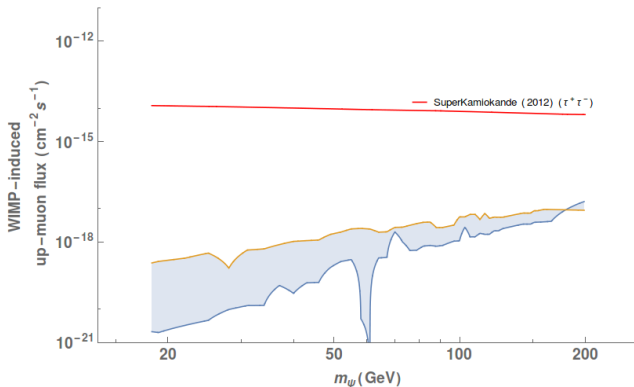
Neutrino flux induced by DM annihilation in Sun/Earth (Gould 87', Lounberg 04', Cirelli et al. 10')





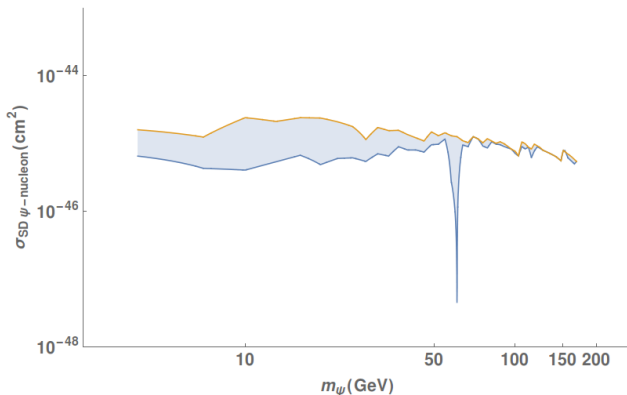
# SUPER-K CONSTRAINTS

- ▶ In this scenario:  $BR_\nu \simeq 1$  and  $\sigma_p BR \sim \sigma_{SD} \sim 10^{-10}$  pb ( $\sigma_{SD}$  generated by axial  $Z$  couplings), not enough sensitivity for discovery in present experiments.



SD cross sections: generated by the axial  $Z$  couplings and are of the same order as the spin-independent ones: several orders of magnitude below the limits of the spin-dependent cross sections (Super-K, ICECUBE, ANTARES..) (because of the absence of a  $\sim A^2$  coherence factor).

Unconstrained from spin-dependent limits



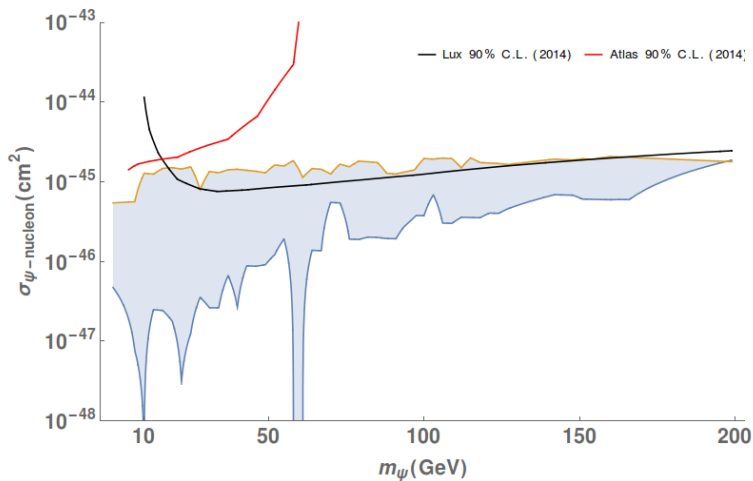
# EW CONSTRAINTS

## The only significant constraint: Higgs decay

For  $m_H > 2m_\Psi$ ,

$$\mathcal{BR}(Hh \rightarrow \Psi\Psi) \simeq 3 \times 10^{-3} \left( \frac{c_{\text{II}}}{\Lambda_{\text{TeV}}} \right)^2 \left( 1 - 4 \frac{m_\Psi^2}{m_H^2} \right)^{3/2} \quad (7)$$

- ▶ The direct search for Higgs invisible decays in Atlas experiment sets an upper limit of 63% at 90% C.L.
- ▶ The limit on  $\mathcal{BR}(H \rightarrow \text{inv})$  sets an upper limit on the DM-nucleon SI scattering cross section (for the higgs portal operator only, [Kanemura et al., Djouadi et al.]) . No exclusion regions over the effective couplings.



# TRULY NEUTRINO PORTAL

Even if we do not see a DM signal in DD, ID and LHC experiments,  $c_{\text{II}}, c_{\text{VII}}^{\phi, (L,R)} \sim 0$   $c_{\text{III}} \neq 0$ , we still meet Planck constraints, truly neutrino portal, (only phenom consequences may come from  $C\nu B$ )

$$\mathcal{L}^{(\mathcal{F})} = \frac{c_{\text{III}}}{\Lambda} (\bar{\Psi}\Phi)(\tilde{\phi}^\dagger \ell) + \frac{c_{\text{II}}}{16\pi^2\Lambda} |\phi|^2 \bar{\Psi}\Psi + \sum_{a=\ell, \phi; i=L,R} \frac{c_{\text{VII}}^{(a|i)}}{(4\pi\Lambda)^2} (J_{\text{SM}}^{(a)} \cdot J_{\text{dark}}^{(i)}) \quad (8)$$

# SIMPLE MODEL REALIZATION

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Simple model: Heavy Fermion singlet (mediator), DM content:  $\Psi$  and  $\Phi$

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\mathcal{F}}_J(i \not{\partial} - m_o)\mathcal{F}_J - (\bar{\ell}_i \tilde{\phi} \mathcal{F}_J y_{iJ} + \text{H.c.}) + \bar{\ell}_i(i \not{\partial})\ell_i + (z_J \bar{\mathcal{F}}_J \Phi^\dagger \Psi + \text{H.c.}) \quad (9)$$

where  $\ell$  is the left-handed SM lepton isodoublet,  $i, j$ , etc. are family indices  $\mathcal{F}_J$  are neutral fermions,  $\phi$  is the SM scalar isodoublet and  $\tilde{\phi} = i\sigma_2\phi^*$ .

Upon spontaneous symmetry breaking ( $\langle\phi\rangle = v/\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\langle\Phi\rangle = 0$ ),

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\mathcal{F}}_J(i \not{\partial} - m_o)\mathcal{F}_J - (\bar{\nu}_i \mathcal{F}_J \mu_{iJ} + \text{H.c.}) + \bar{\nu}_i(i \not{\partial})\nu_i + (z_J \bar{\mathcal{F}}_J \Phi^\dagger \Psi + \text{H.c.}) \quad (10)$$

where  $\mu = vy/\sqrt{2}$ .

## Diagonalization

Assume there are 3  $\mathcal{F}$ 's and rotate  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\nu$  to diagonalize  $\mu$

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\mathcal{F}}(i \not{\partial} - m_o)\mathcal{F} - \mu(\bar{\nu}\mathcal{F} + \text{H.c.})(1 + h/v) + \bar{\nu}(i \not{\partial})\nu + (z\bar{\mathcal{F}}\Phi^\dagger\Psi + \text{H.c.}) \quad (11)$$

Let

$$\mathcal{F} = -sn + (cP_L + P_R)N, \quad \nu = cn + sP_L N \quad (12)$$

where  $n$  is left handed and

$$s = \frac{\mu}{M} \quad c = \frac{m_o}{M} \quad M = \sqrt{\mu^2 + m_o^2} \quad (13)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \bar{N}(i \not{\partial} - M)N + \bar{n}(i \not{\partial})n + [z(\bar{N}(cP_L + P_R) + s\bar{n})\Phi^\dagger\Psi + \text{H.c.}] \\ & - \frac{g}{2c_w} [(c\bar{n} - s\bar{N}) \not{Z}P_L(cn - sN)] \\ & - \frac{\mu}{v} [s\bar{N}N + c(\bar{n}N + \bar{N}n)] h - \lambda_x(\Phi^\dagger\Phi)h \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$



# MATCHING EFFECTIVE INTERACTIONS

## HMM loop induced contributions

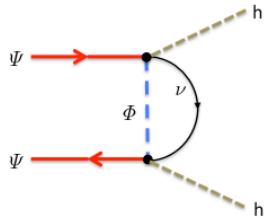
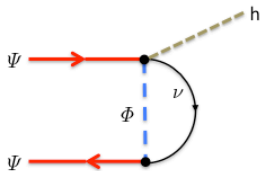
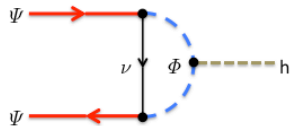
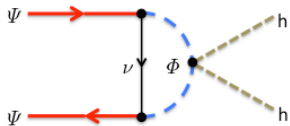
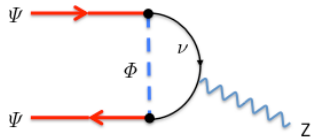
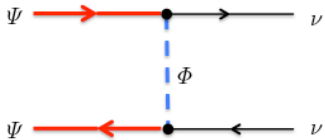
There are no tree level interactions within DM and Z or the Higgs, these are induced at one loop.

$$\mathcal{L} = -I \frac{f_{ZL}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\phi} \not{D} \phi \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu . P_L . \Psi - I \frac{f_{ZR}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\phi} \not{D} \phi \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu . P_R . \Psi - \frac{f_h}{\Lambda} \bar{\phi} \phi \bar{\Psi} . \Psi$$

## Matching with the effective interaction for large $M$

$$f_h = \frac{C_{II}}{16\pi^2}, \quad f_{Z,(L,R)} = \frac{C_{VII}^{\phi,(L,R)}}{16\pi^2}$$

$$\mu_z = \frac{C_{III}^v}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \Lambda = \sqrt{m_0^2 + \mu^2} \quad (15)$$



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- ▶ After categorizing all the possible non-redundant effective operators for non-trivial multi-component Dark Symmetries and SM interactions we see there are a few interesting set:
  - ▶ Scalar mediators: Higgs Portal (studied extensively),
  - ▶ Fermion mediators. DM content: Scalar and fermions: Heavier scalar  $\rightarrow$  Neutrino portal ,
  - ▶ Vector mediators & Tensor mediators: further work..
- ▶ Neutrino Portal: Fermion mediator: satisfy experimental constraints,
  - ▶ Resonant (HMM loop induced) contributions from  $Z$  and  $H$
  - ▶ At reach for direct detection experiments,
  - ▶ DM annihilation in the core of the sun (almost monoenergetic neutrino): Still not sensitive enough, 4 to 5 order of magnitudes below SK limit
- ▶ Truly neutrino portal if DD, ID, exclude DM, meets correct relic abundance.