

# Dissipative Losses in Self-Interacting Dark Matter Collisions

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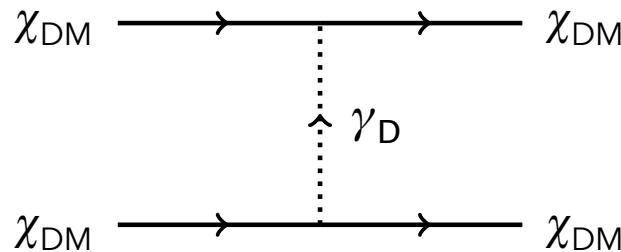
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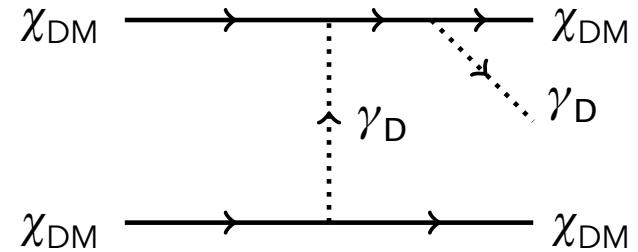
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Dark matter **self-interaction**

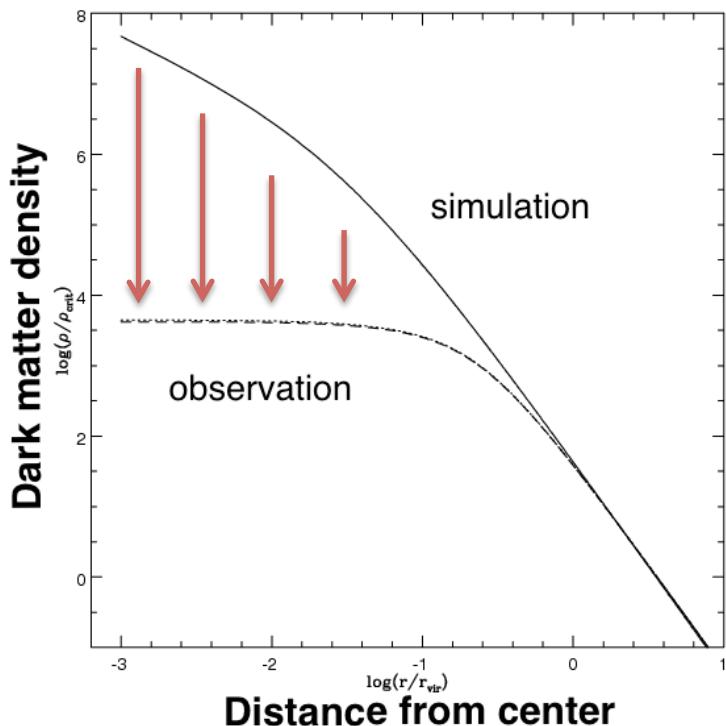


**Dissipation** of energy in form of  
bremsstrahlung



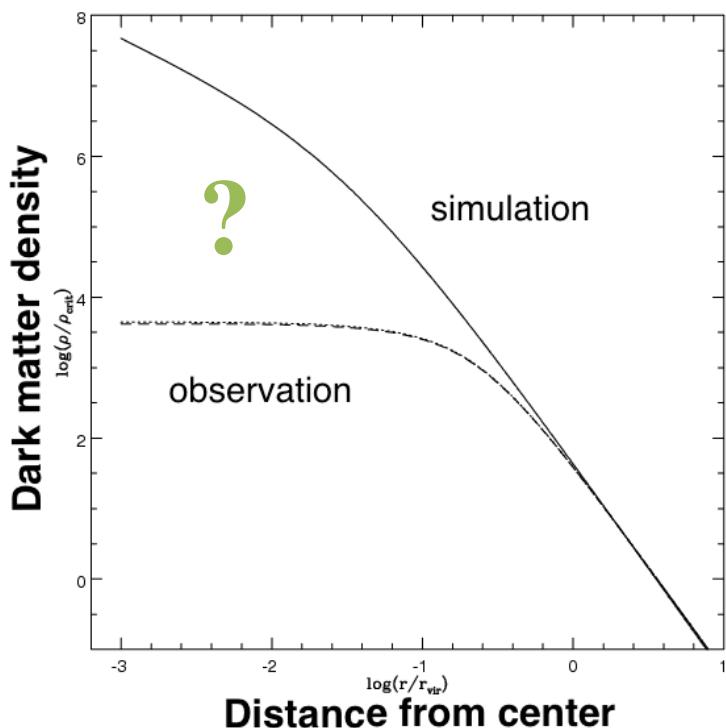
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Self-interactions naturally come with bremsstrahlung:

- suppressed for heavy mediators
- non-negligible for light mediators

DISSIPATION ALTERS  
DENSITY PROFILE



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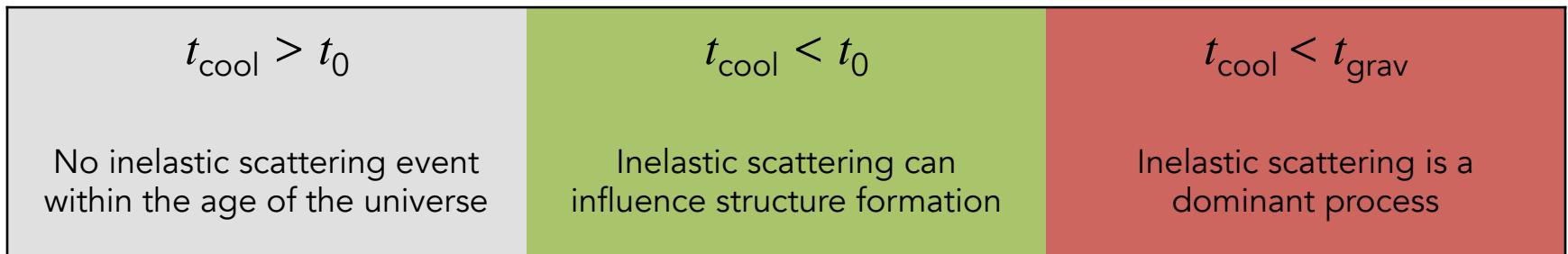
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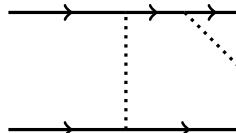
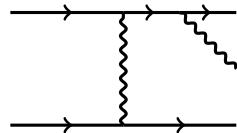
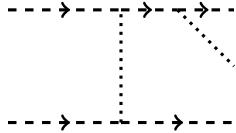
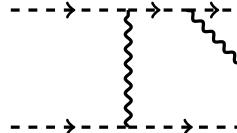
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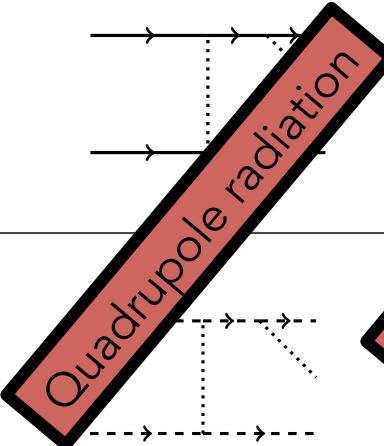
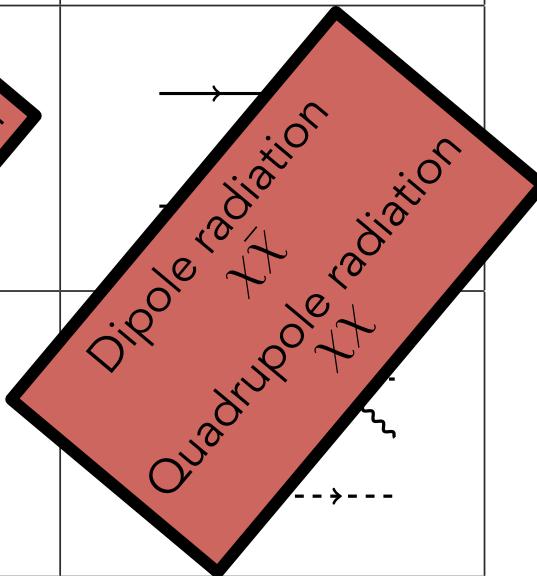
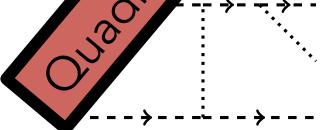
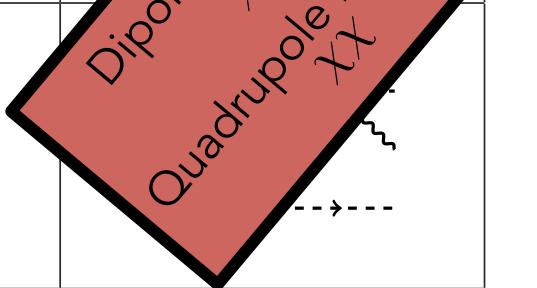
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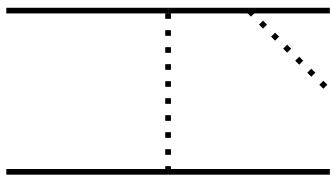
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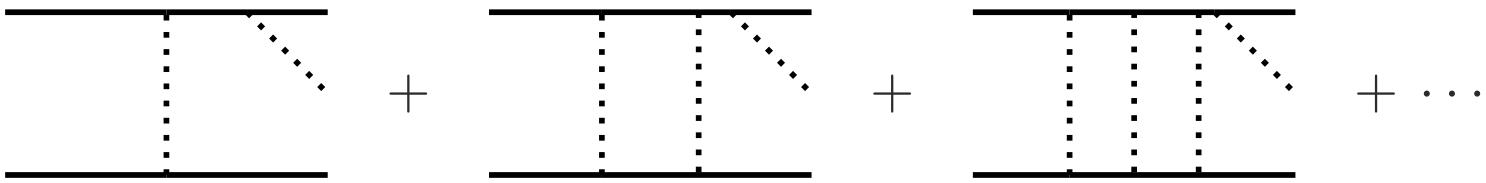
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Perturbative calculations



valid for  $\frac{\alpha}{v} \ll 1$  or  $\frac{\alpha m_{\text{DM}}}{m_{\text{med}}} \ll 1$

Increase domain of validity by taking non-perturbative effects into account



Non-relativistic quantum mechanics

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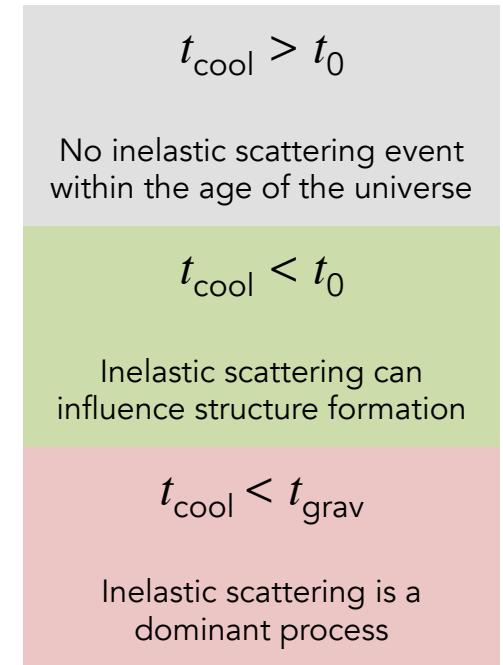
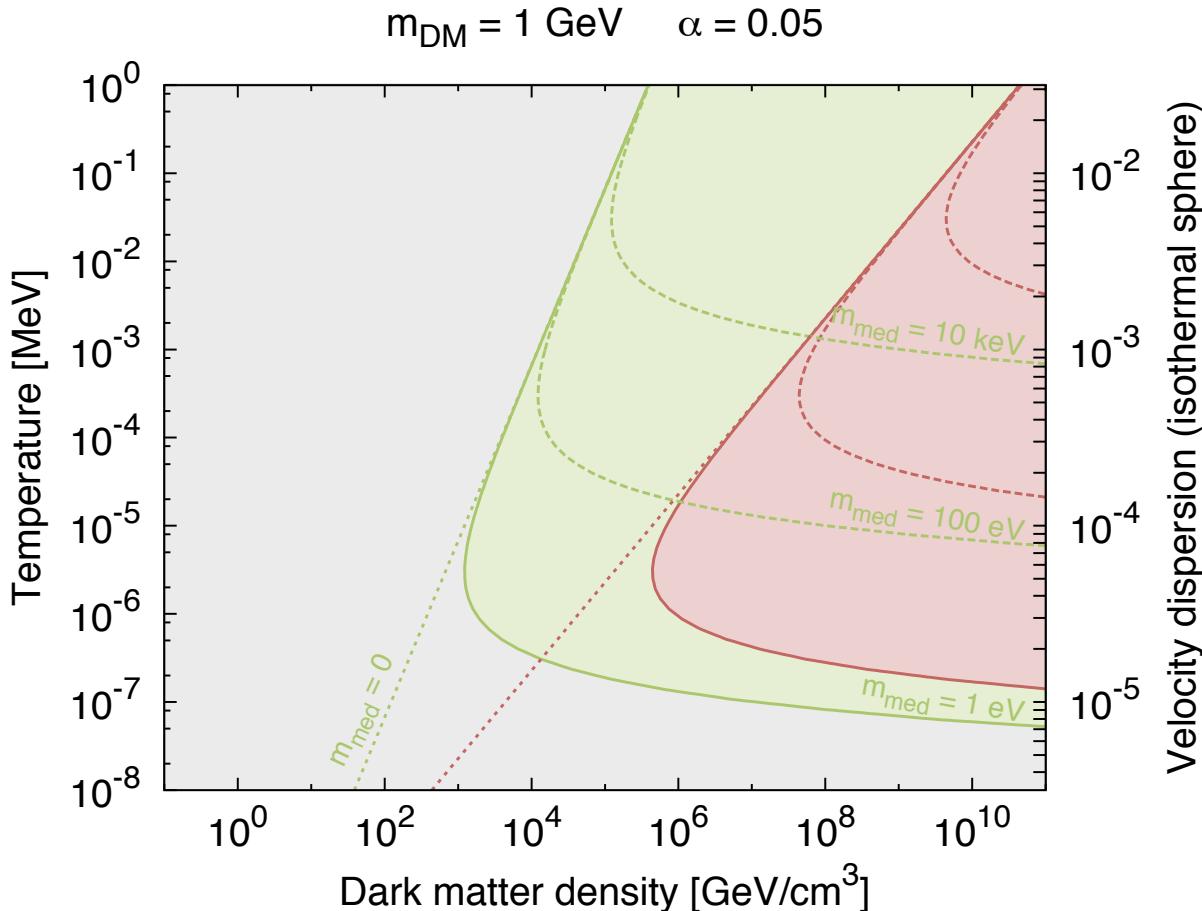
1st order Born wave function

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Coulomb wave function

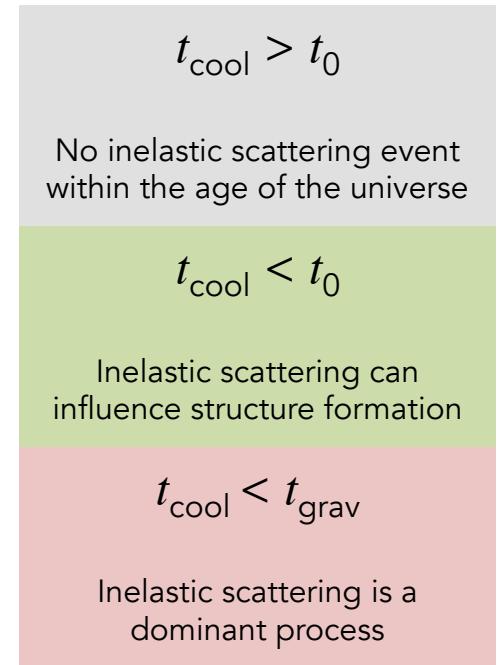
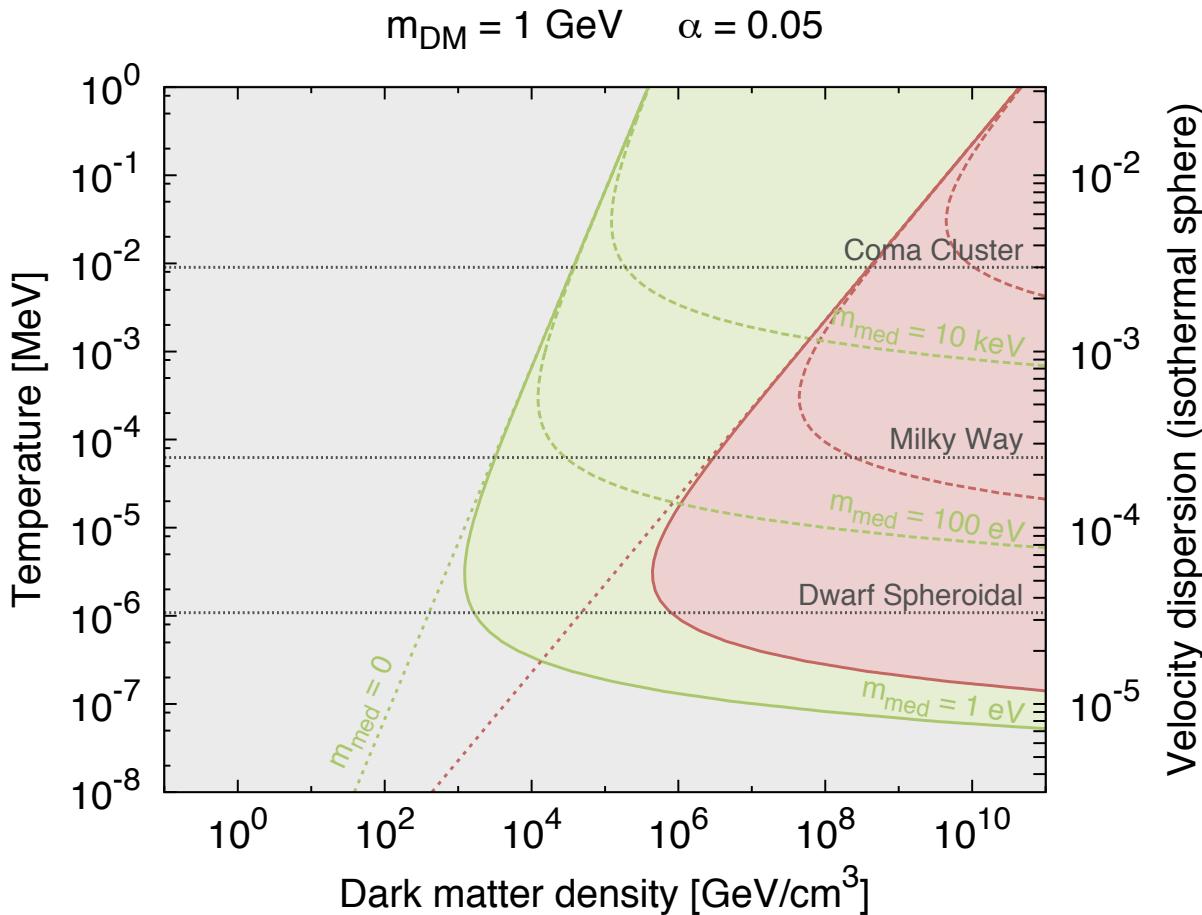
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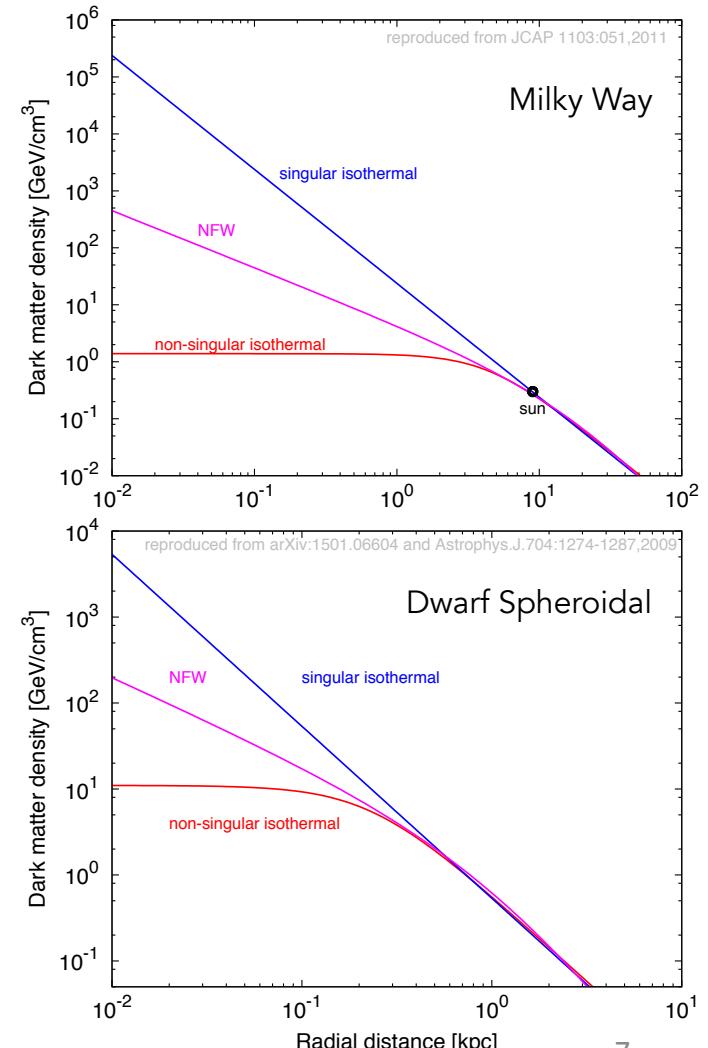
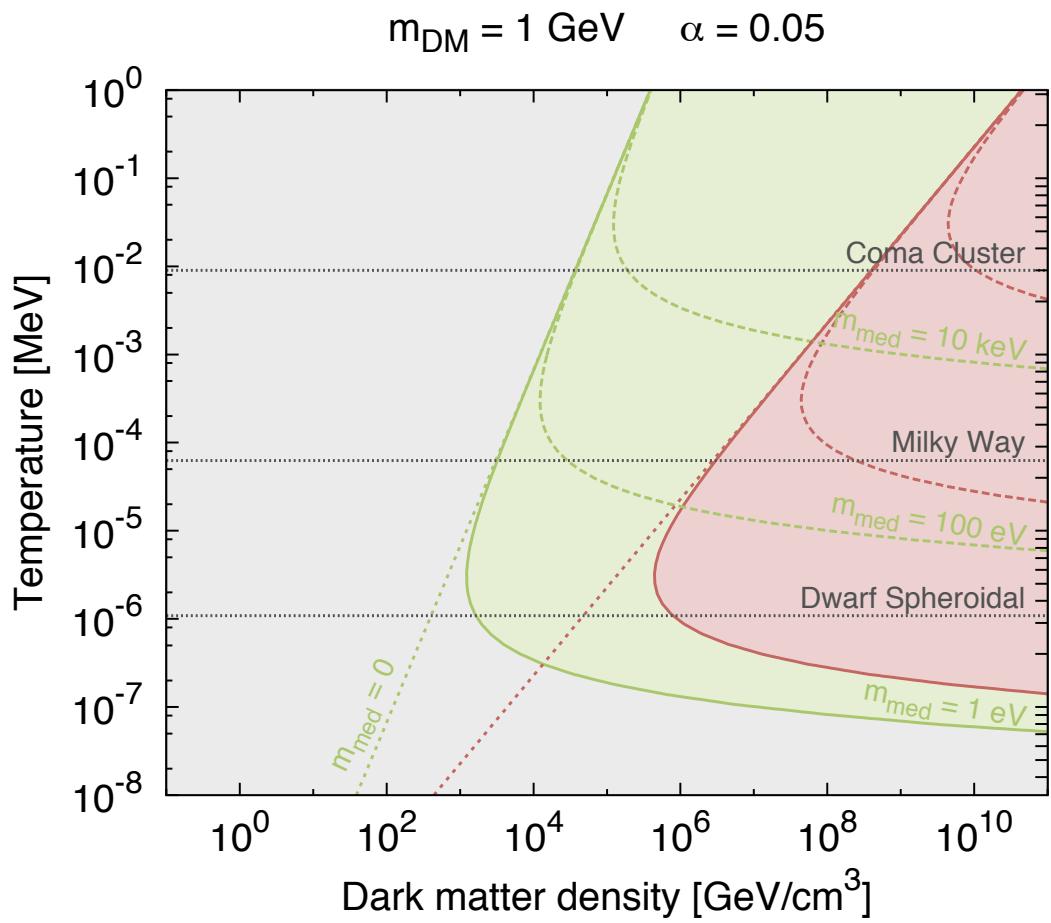
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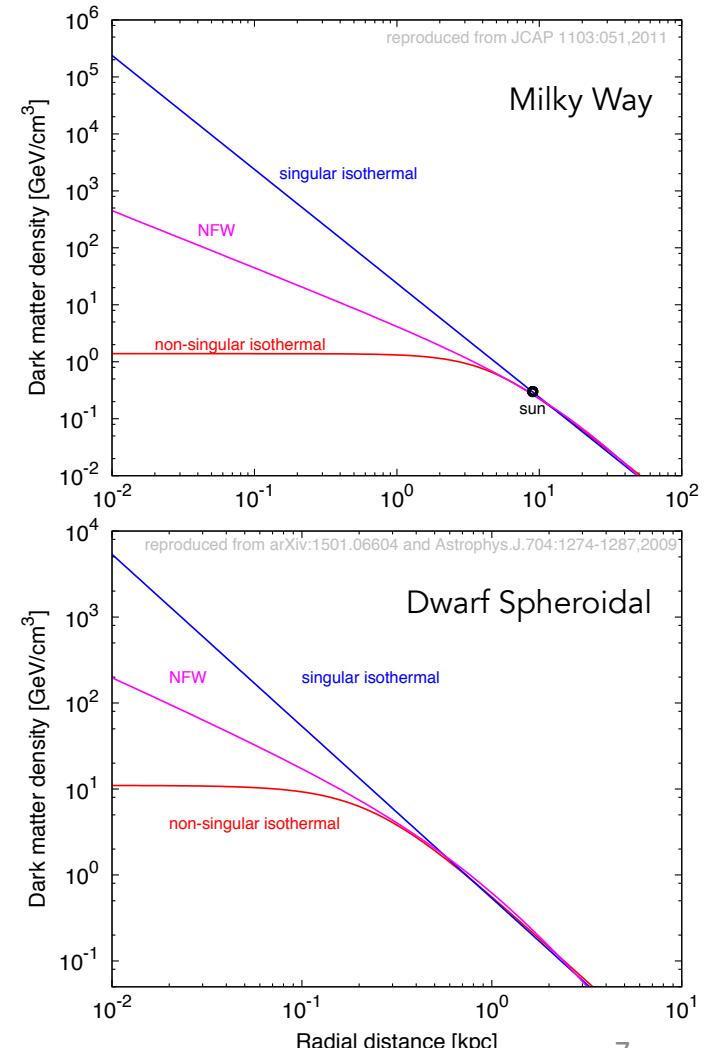
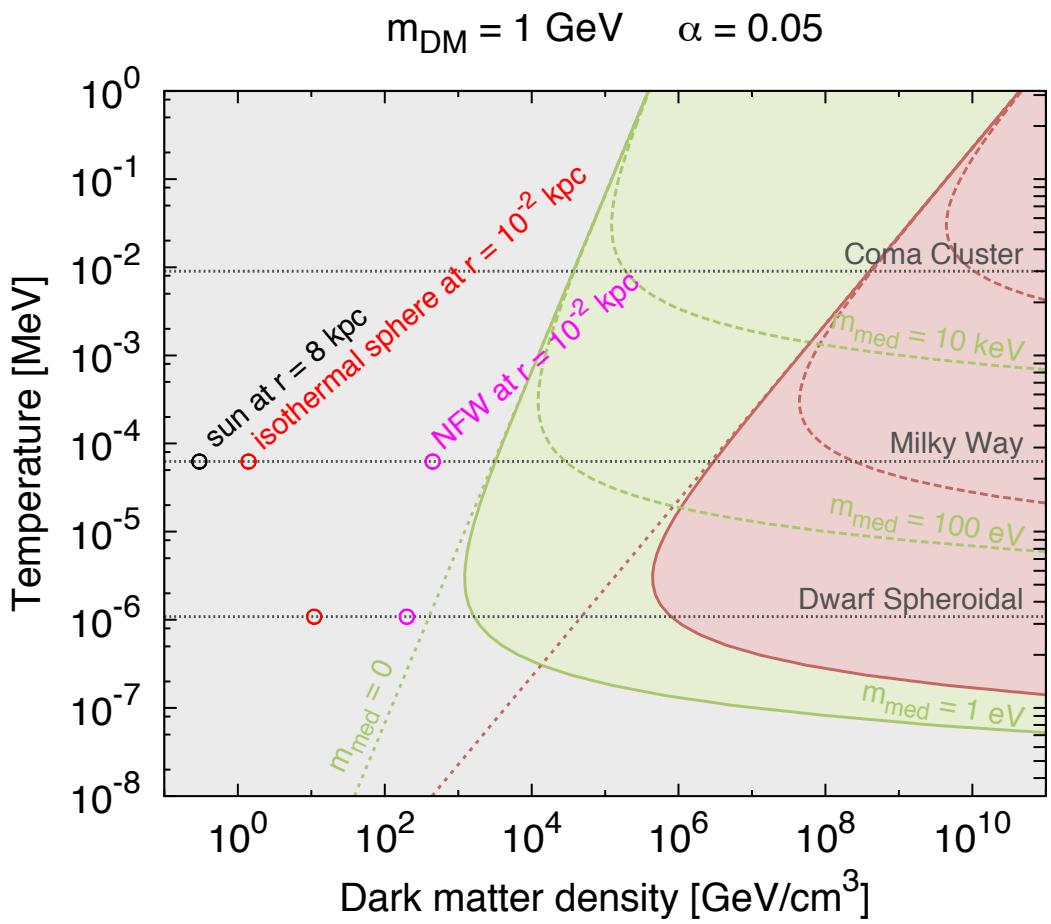
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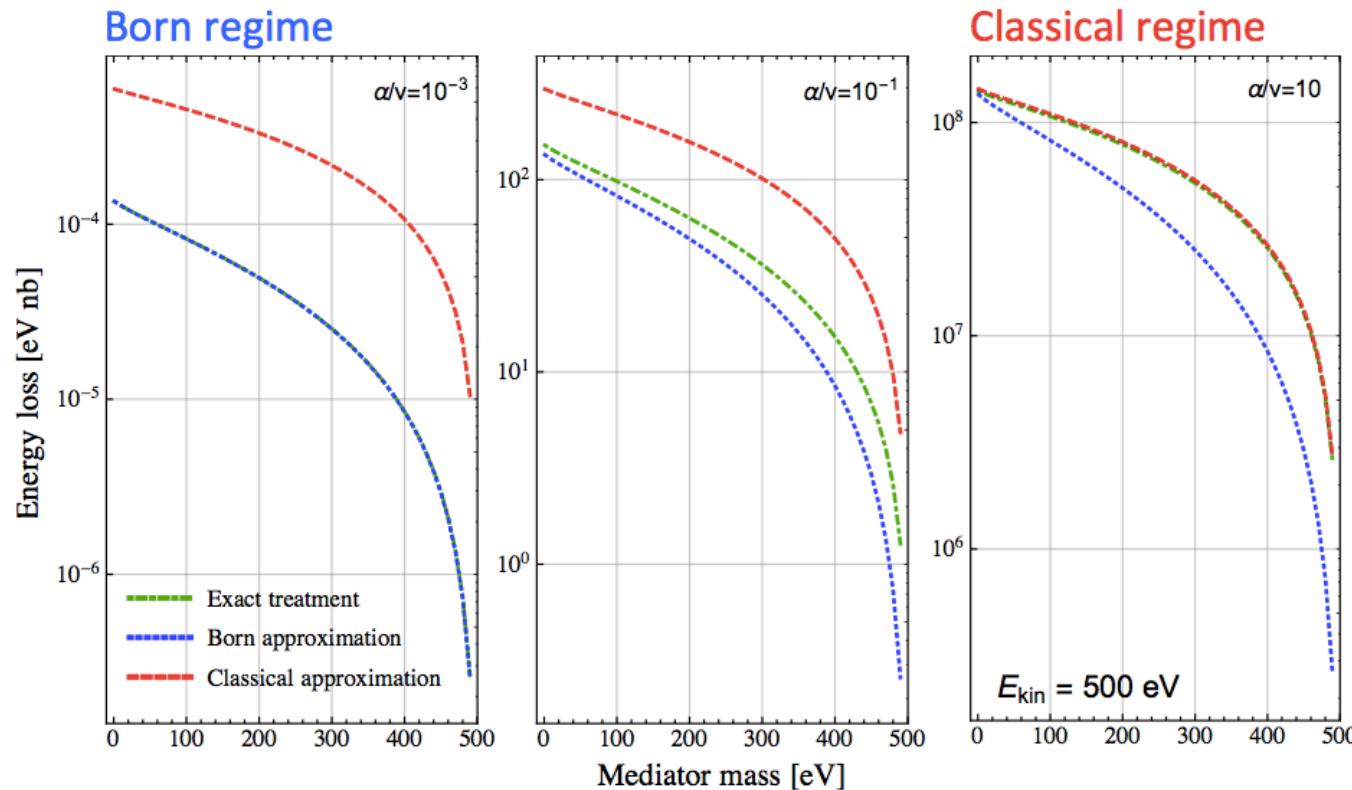
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# Backup

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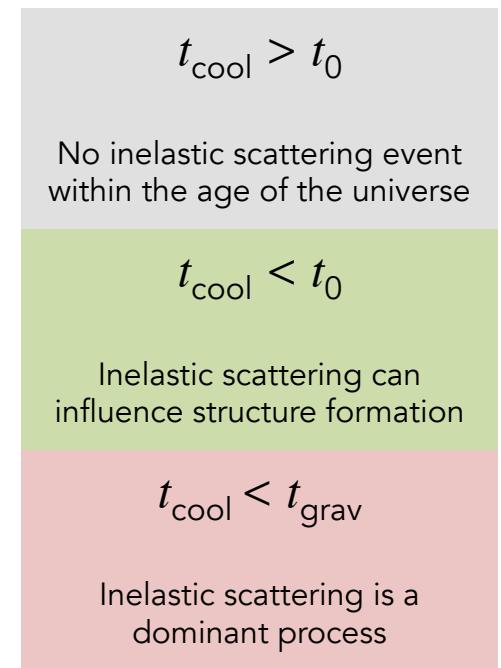
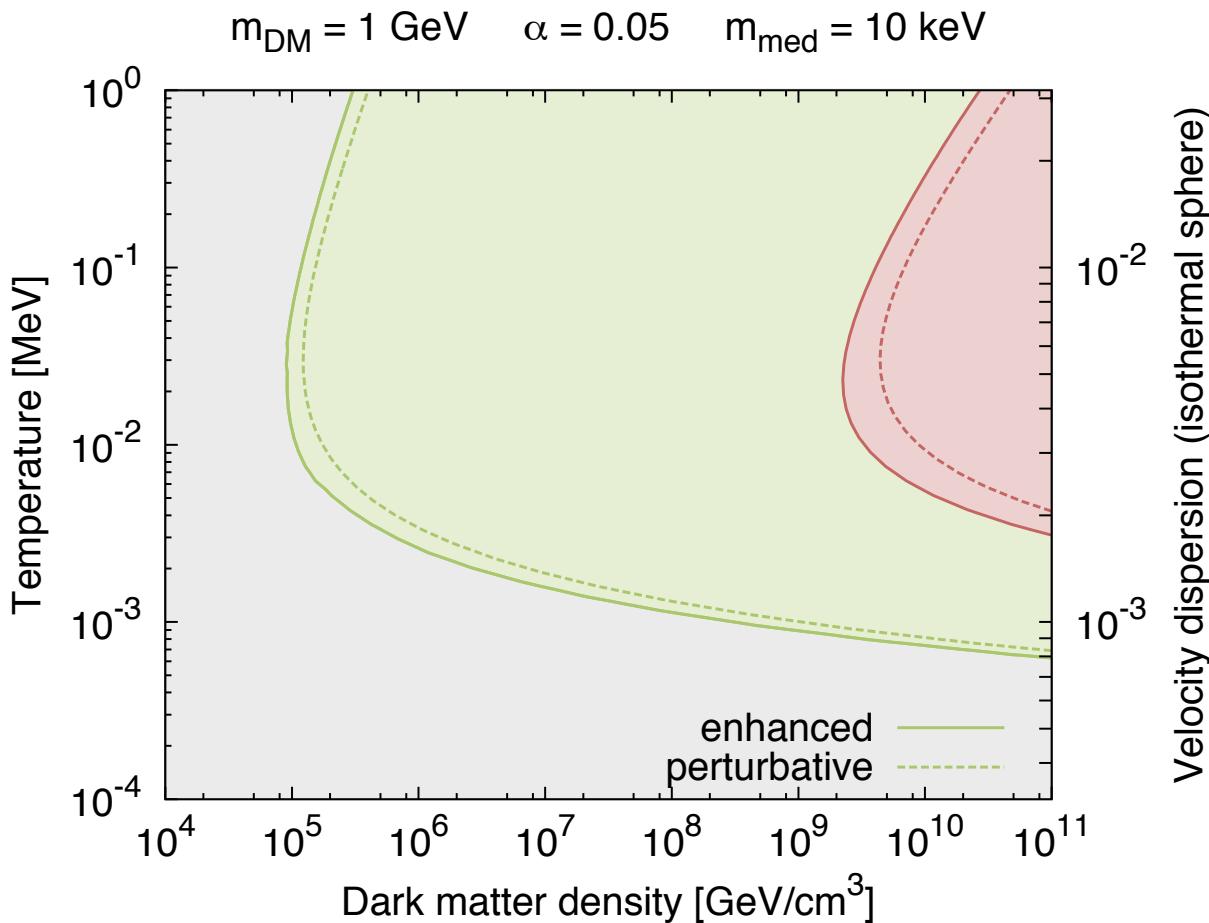


Exact treatment: Coulomb wave functions as initial and final states.

Born approximation: 1<sup>st</sup> order Born wave functions

Classical approximation: quasi classical trajectories for colliding particles

# Perturbative vs. Non-perturbative



# Constraints on the SIDM-Models

(to be looked into)

Assuming the dark sector is decoupled from the SM sector

- No detection constraints
- DM not in thermal equilibrium with SM in early universe

But constraints for

- Elastic self-interaction cross section (e.g. Bullet cluster, halo triaxiality)
- $N_{\text{eff}}$  (effective relativistic degrees of freedom at CMB decoupling)  
a light mediator would contribute to  $N_{\text{eff}}$  altering the time of BBN and therefore the abundance of light elements in the universe
- Dark acoustic oscillations  
a light mediator would cause radiation pressure in the dark sector before CMB and distort the CMB spectrum