

Simplified models of dark matter with a long-lived co-annihilation partner

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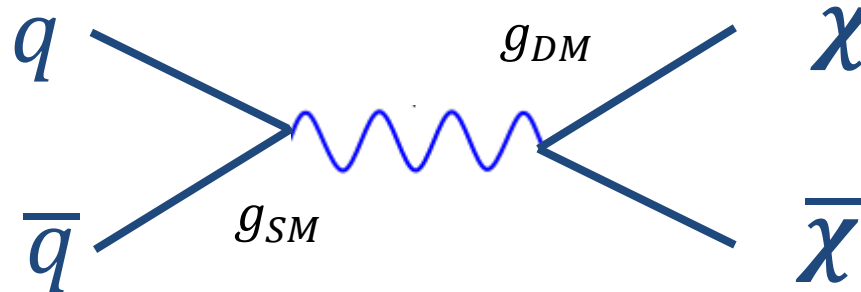
[arxiv:1702.00750]



Simplified models of dark matter

- EFT is a powerful and model independent approach
- Consistent description if and only if energy of interaction $E \ll M_{NP}$
- In the context of DM, there is no reason not to expect that $M_{MED} \approx m_{DM}$
- EFT might not be the best framework for Dark Matter searches at colliders

Going beyond
EFTs:



4 free parameters

g_{SM} g_{DM} m_{DM} M_{MED}

Dark Matter

- Dirac or Majorana fermion
- Complex or real scalar
- Vector?

Mediators

- Vector
- Axial-vector
- Scalar
- Pseudoscalar

3-point interaction

Dark Matter candidate

Standard Model τ lepton

$$\mathcal{L} \supset g_{\text{DM}} \chi \eta \tau + \text{h.c.}$$

Co-annihilation partner (CAP)

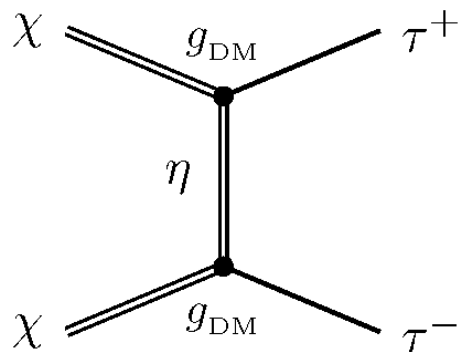
Simplified models with only 3 free parameters:

$$\mathbb{Z}_2: \quad \chi \rightarrow -\chi \quad \eta \rightarrow -\eta$$

$$g_{\text{DM}} \quad m_{\text{DM}} \quad M_{\text{CAP}}$$

Co-annihilation

Dark matter annihilation into pair of tau's



$$(\sigma v)_{\text{ann}}^{\text{s-wave}} = \frac{g_R^4 m_\tau^2}{32\pi m_\chi^4} \frac{1}{(1+r^2)^2}$$

$\propto m_\tau$
Chiral suppression

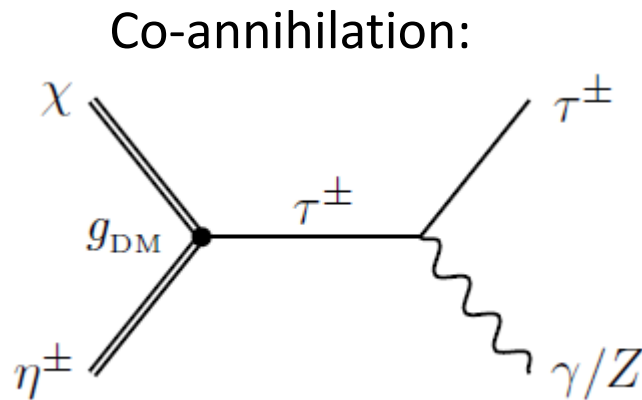
- Overproduces dark matter (Unless large couplings)
- We need a mechanism to reduce the DM relic density

Freeze-out temperature $T_F \sim m_{DM}/25$

Boltzmann factor $\exp\left(-\frac{\Delta M}{T}\right)$ \longrightarrow

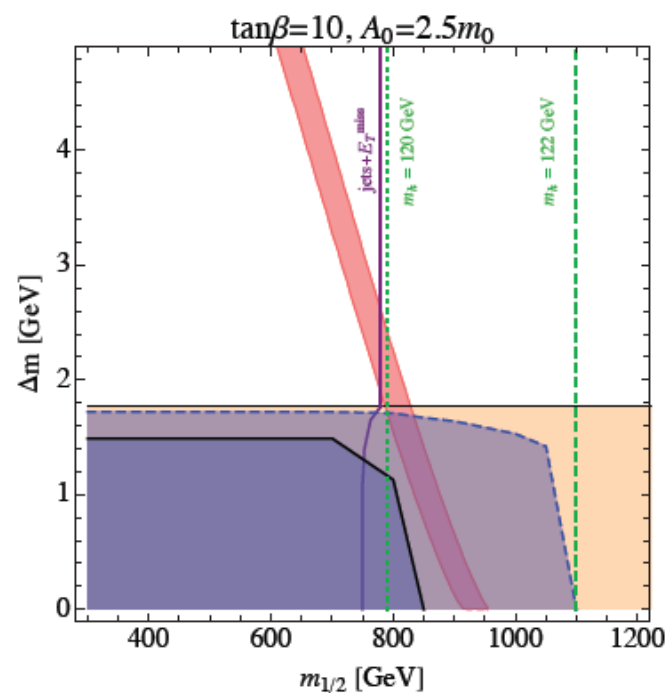
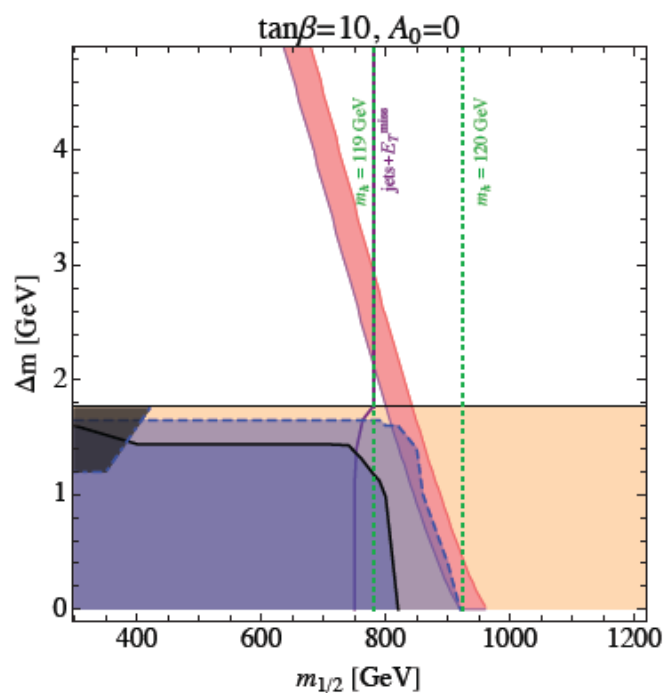
$$\Delta M \lesssim m_{DM}/25$$

We need **mass splitting of 4% of m_{DM}**



Stau co-annihilation strip

Inspired by the stau co-annihilation strip in the CMSSM:
(stau and neutralino close in mass)

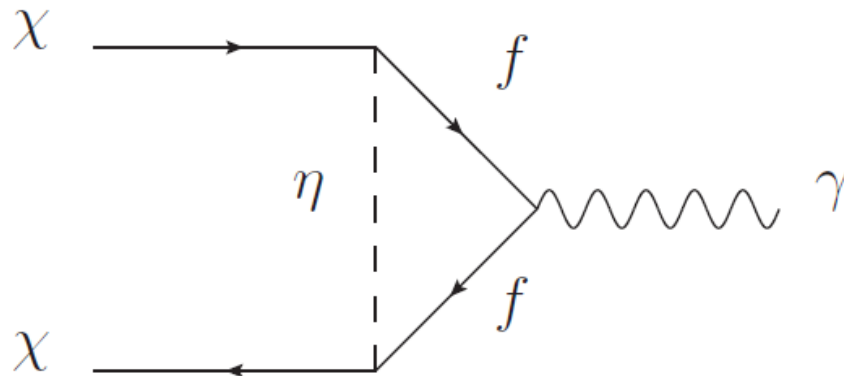


We want to generalize this.

[Citron, Ellis, Luo, Marrouche, Olive, Vries 2012]
[Desai, Ellis, Luo, Marrouche 2014]

LHC production is relevant

- Direct Detection: No tree-level interaction with quarks



One-loop suppressed
(Anapole moment)

[Kopp, Michaels, Smirnov 2014]

- Indirect Detection: Due to chiral suppression, DM annihilation is velocity-suppressed

In today's Universe, DM non-relativistic $v/c \ll 1$

In the limit $m_{DM} \gg m_\tau$:

$$\sigma v \propto v^2$$

p-wave suppressed for Majorana DM

$$\sigma v \propto v^4$$

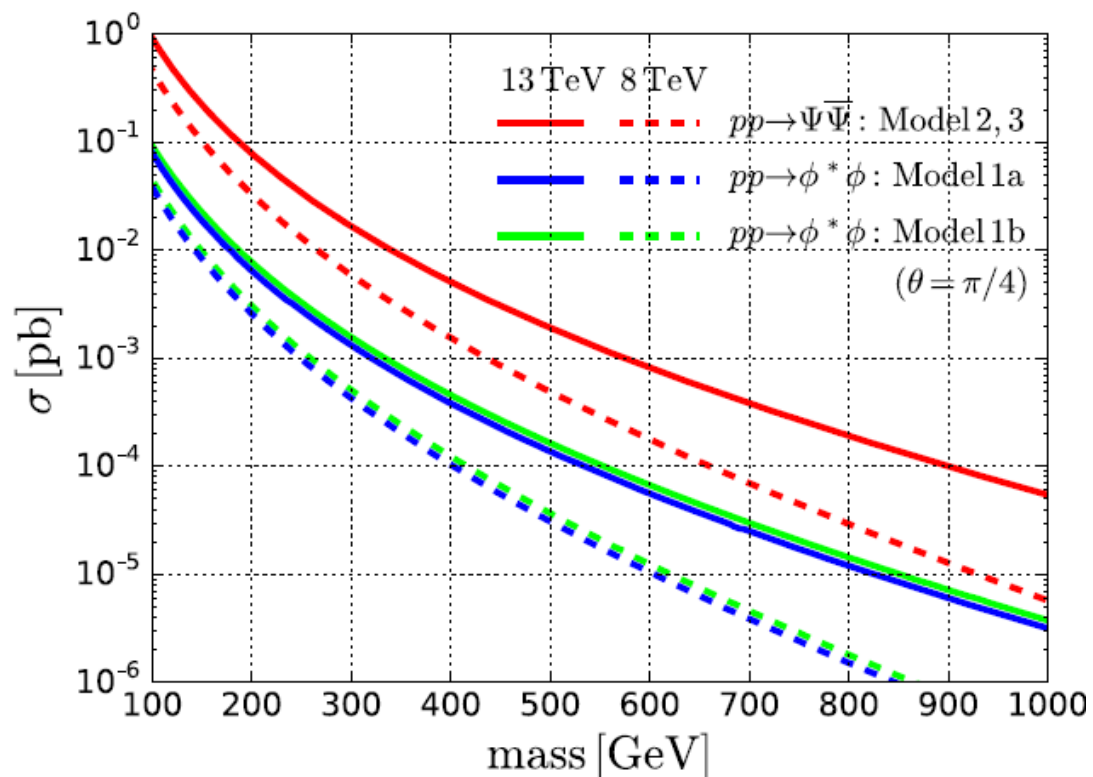
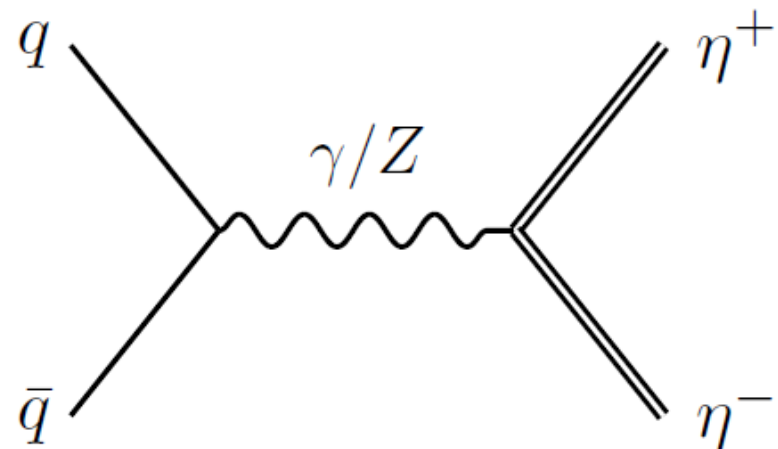
d-wave suppressed for scalar DM

Nevertheless, the channel $SS \rightarrow ll\gamma$ can be relevant for future experiments for scalar DM **For large ΔM**

[Giacchino, Lopez-Honorez, Tytgat 2013]

LHC production

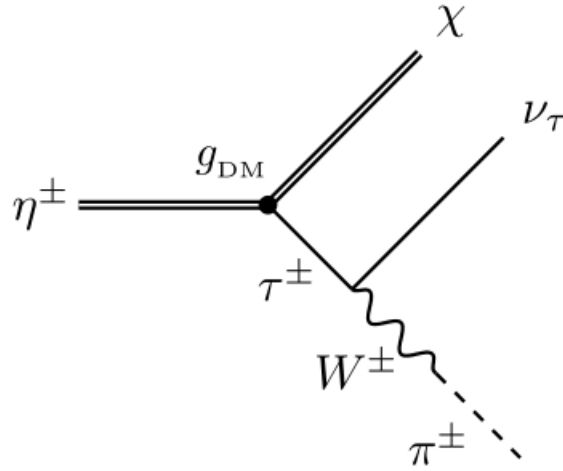
- Drell-Yann pair production of co-annihilation partner



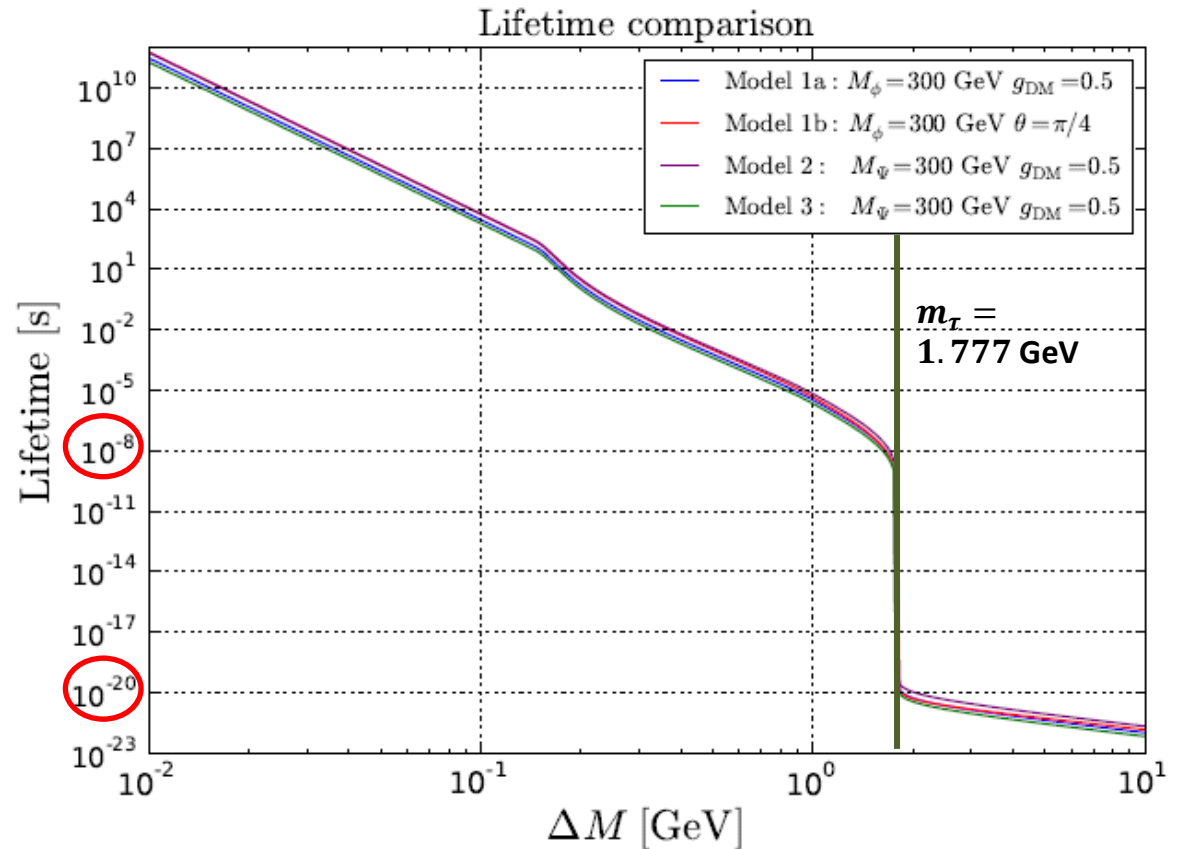
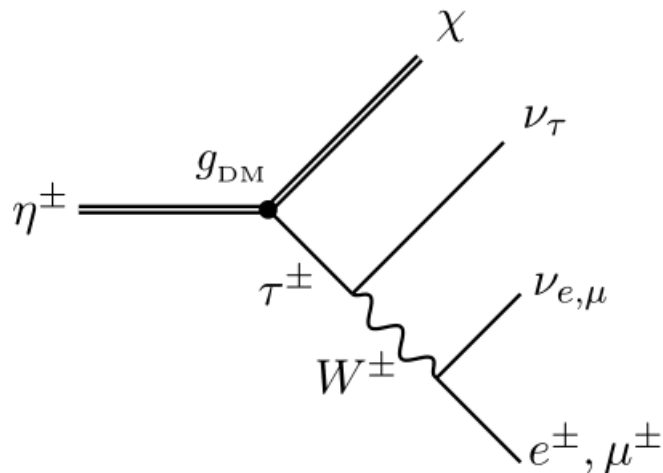
- We study Dirac fermion and complex scalar as co-annihilation partners

Long-lived electrically charged particles

If $\Delta M < m_\tau$ only 3-body and 4-body decays open:



Also ρ and a_1 mesons



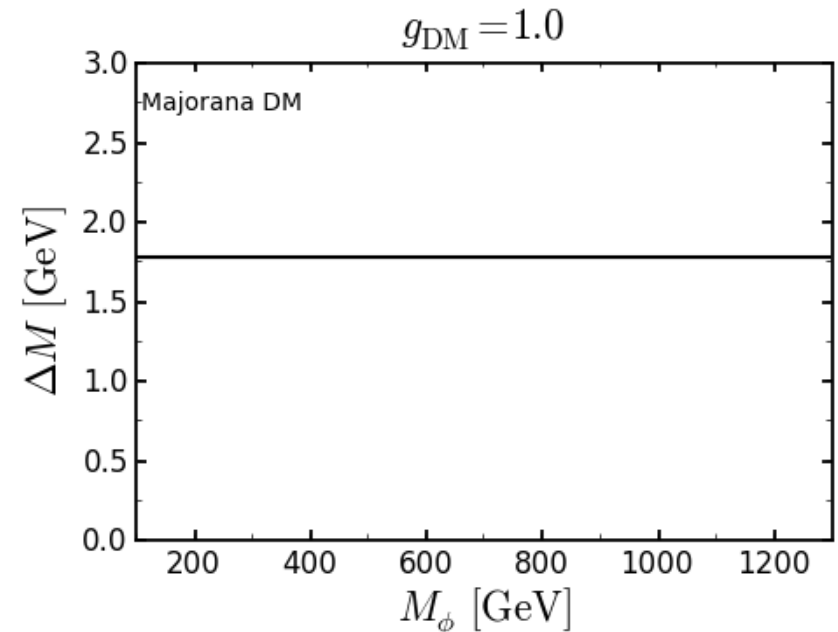
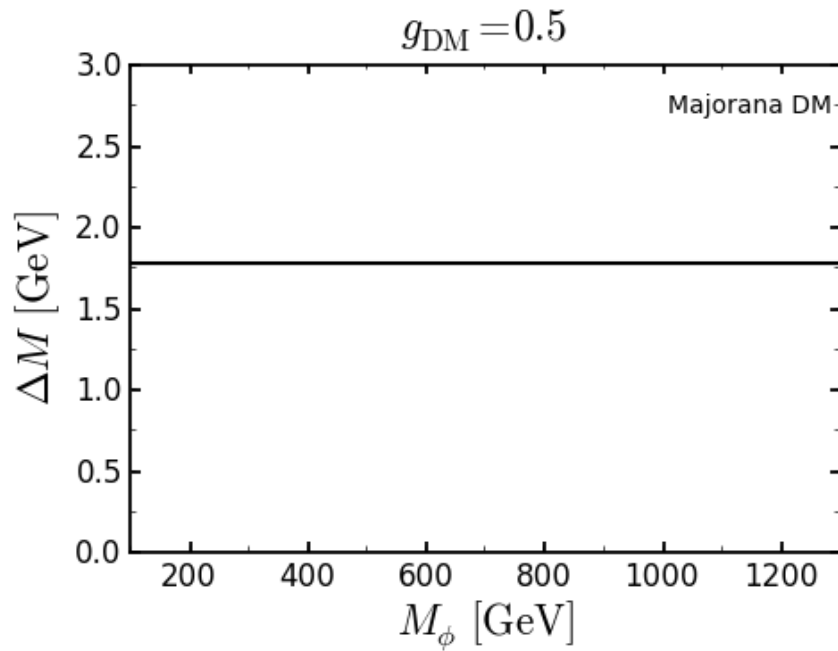
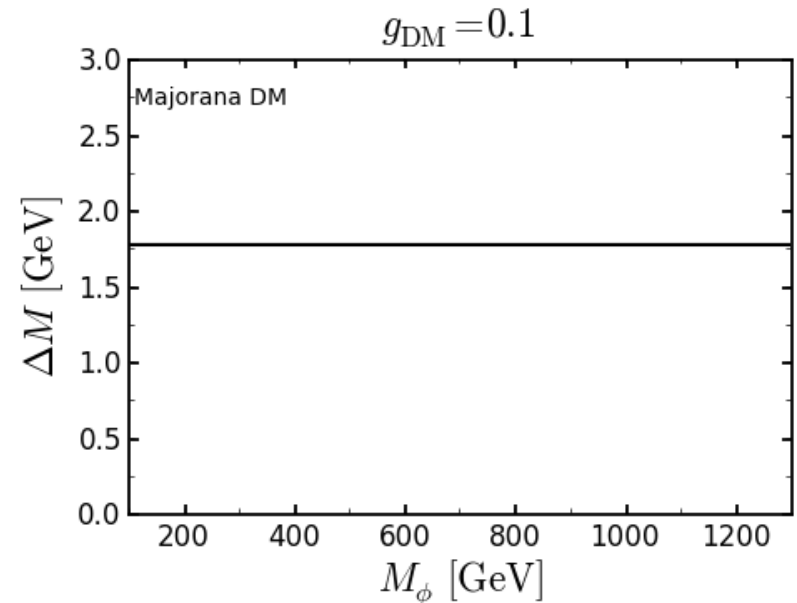
Majorana Dark Matter

DM CAP ($Y = 1$ $L_\tau = 1$)

χ ϕ

$$\phi^* (\chi \tau_R) \subset \mathcal{L}$$

Gauge-invariant and renormalizable,
no problems of unitarity



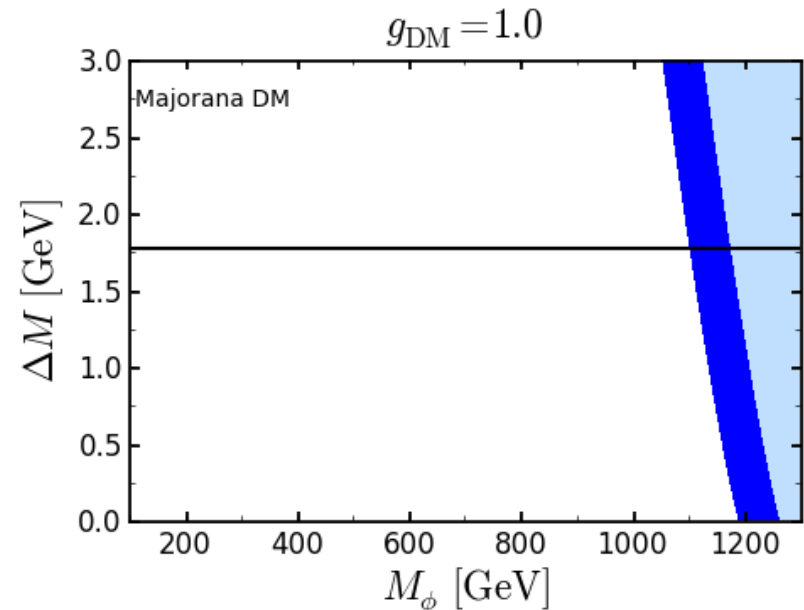
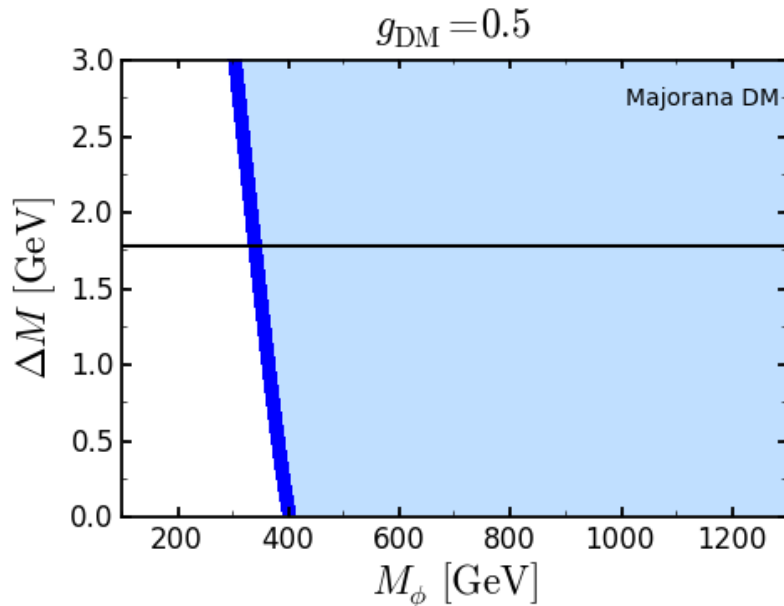
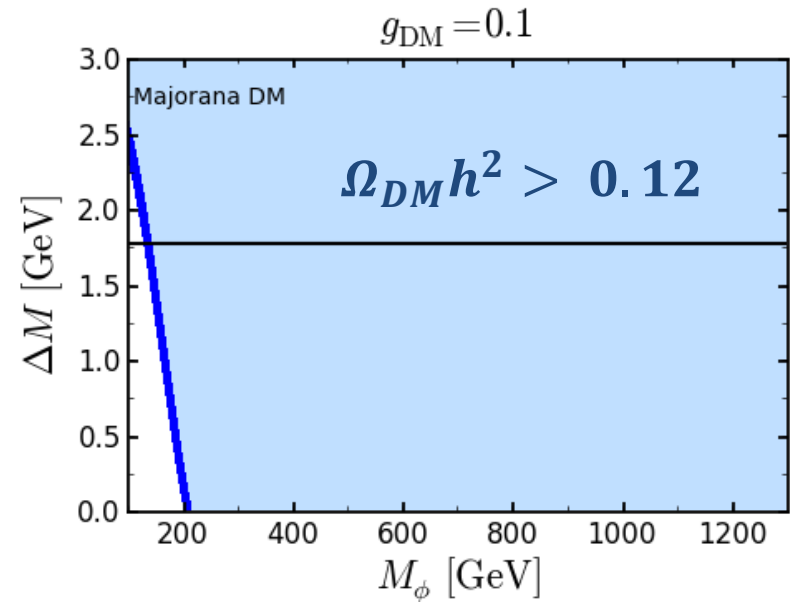
Majorana Dark Matter

DM CAP ($Y=-1$)

χ ϕ

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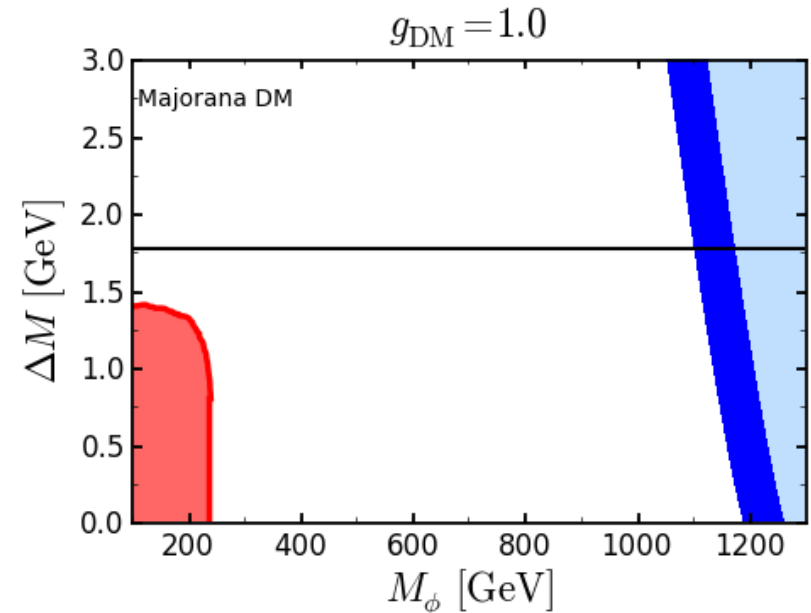
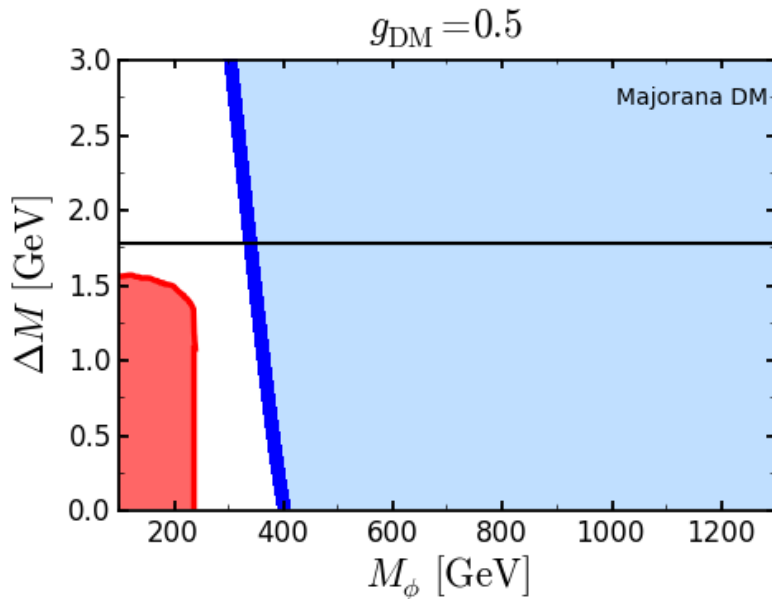
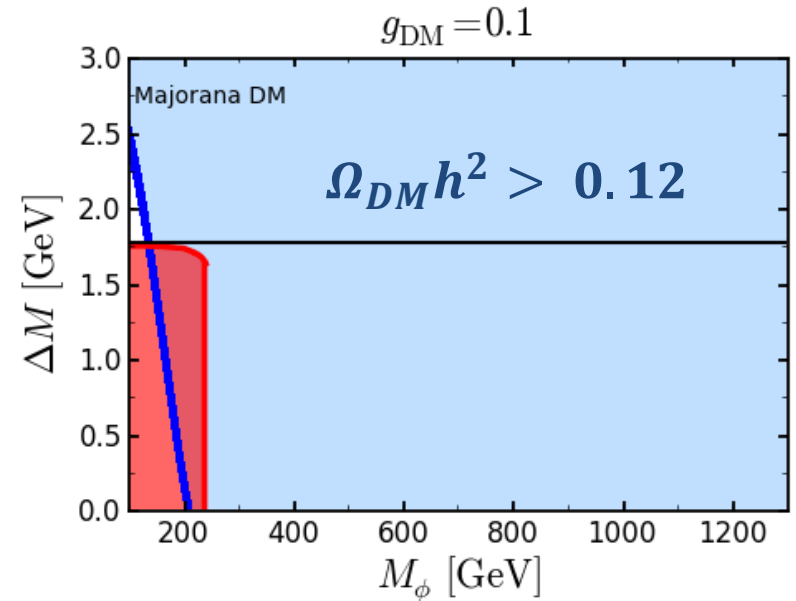
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CMS and ATLAS

8 TeV 18.8 fb⁻¹



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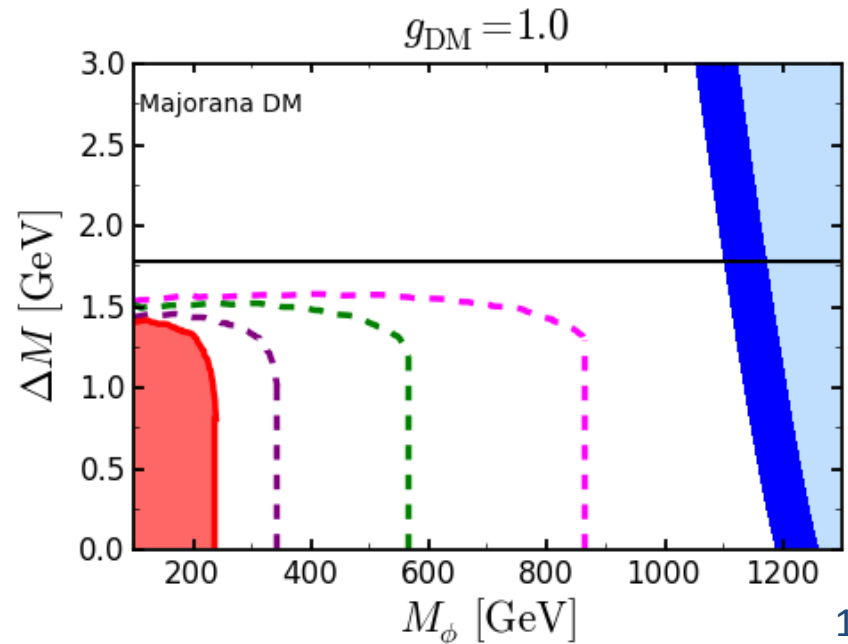
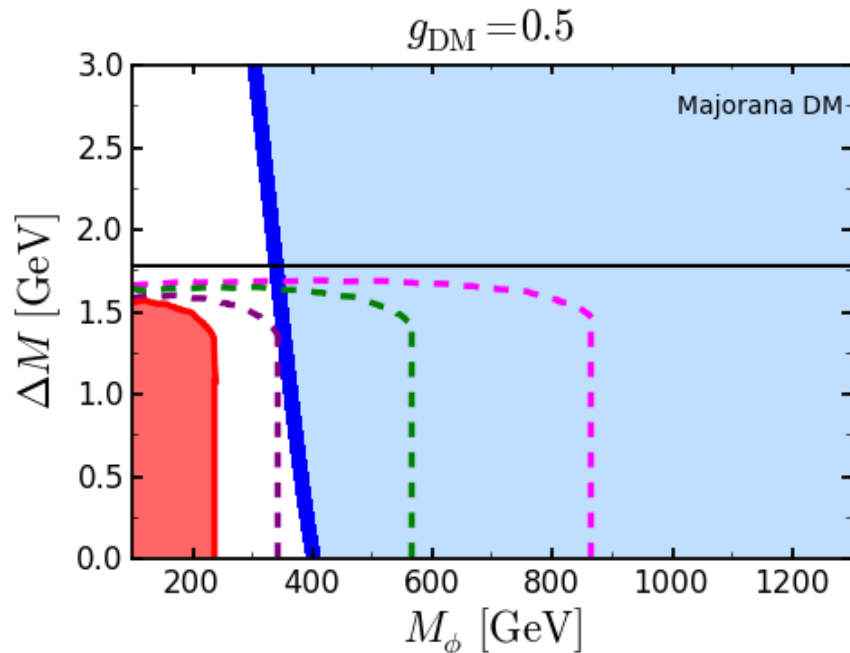
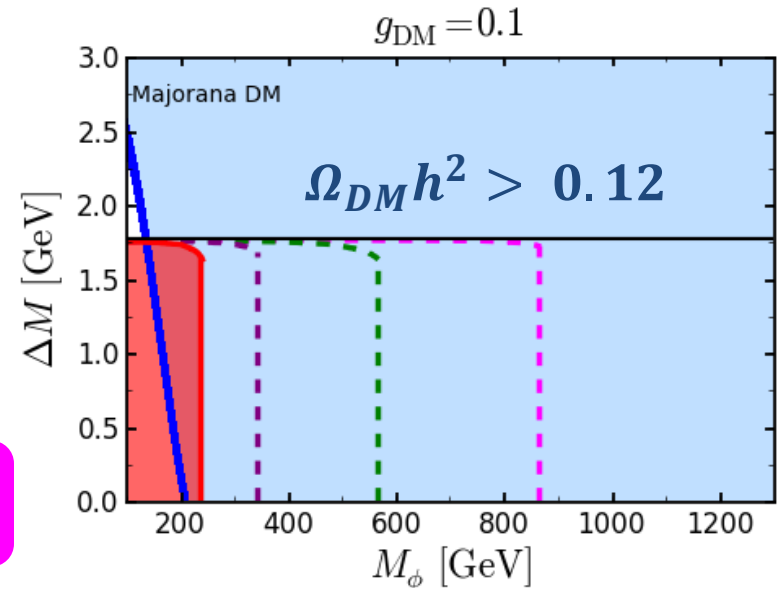
$\phi^* (\chi \tau_R) \subset \mathcal{L}$

13 TeV

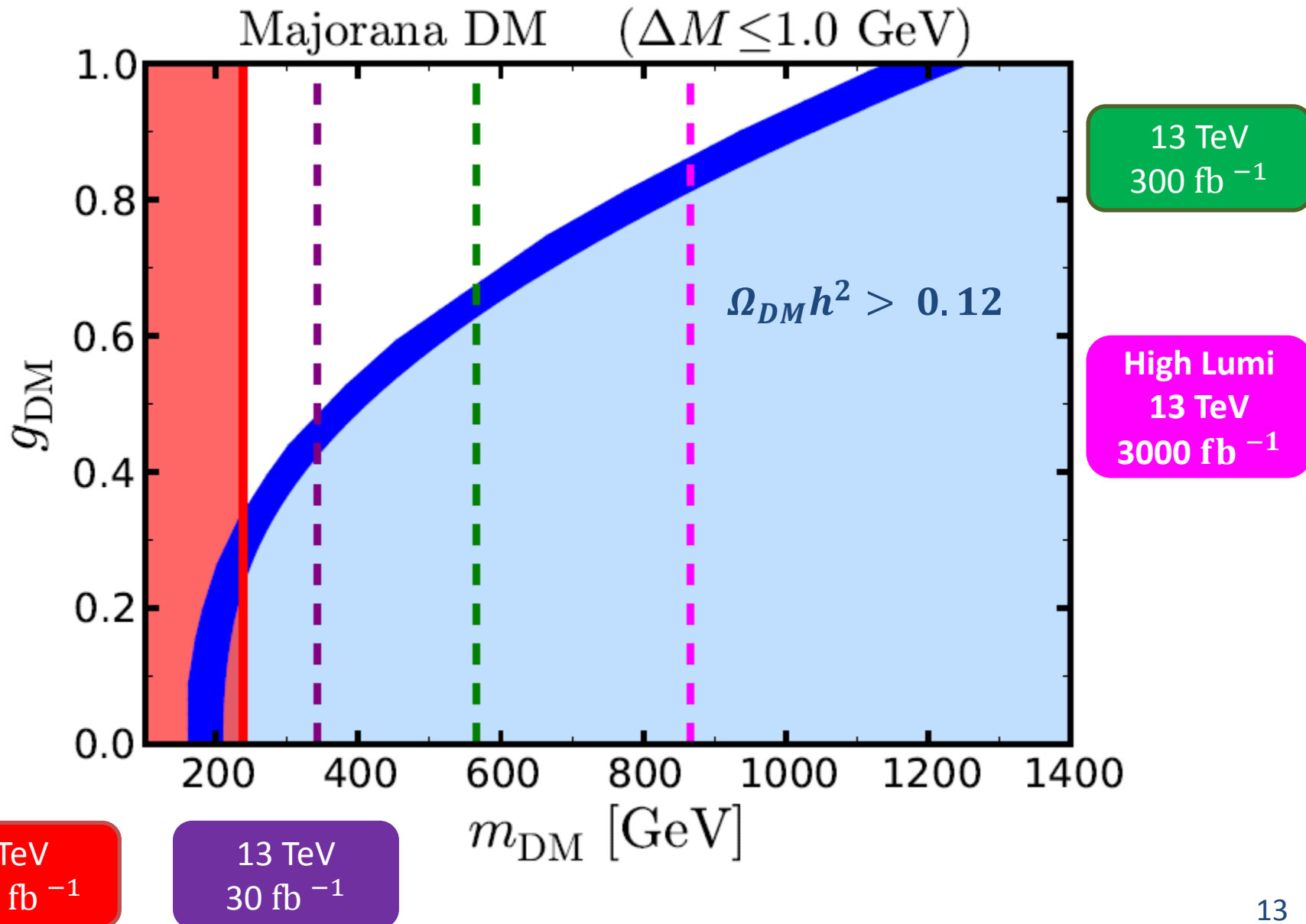
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Majorana Dark Matter



Real scalar dark matter

DM CAP ($Y = 1$ $L_\tau = 1$)

S Ψ

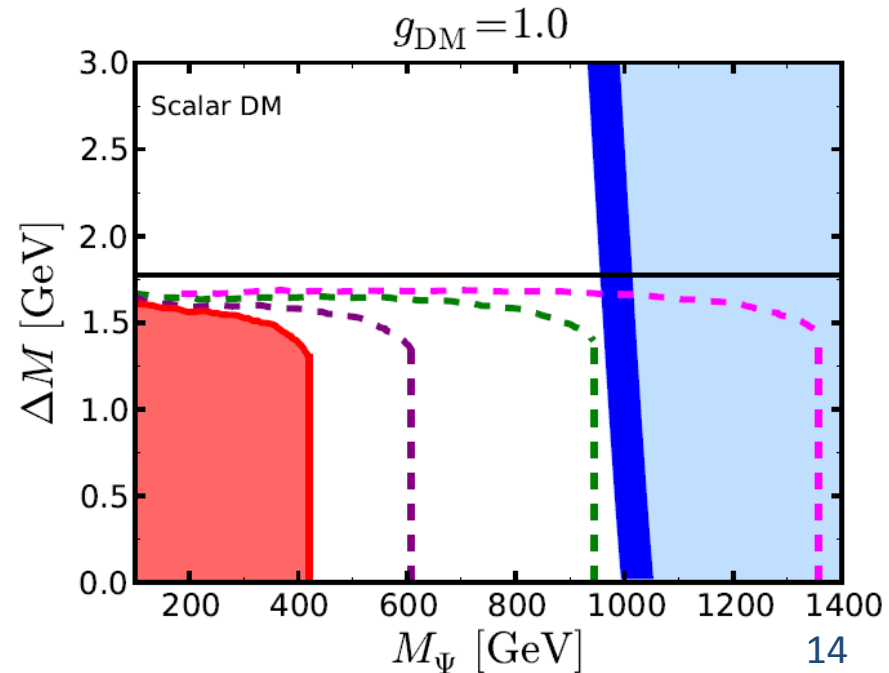
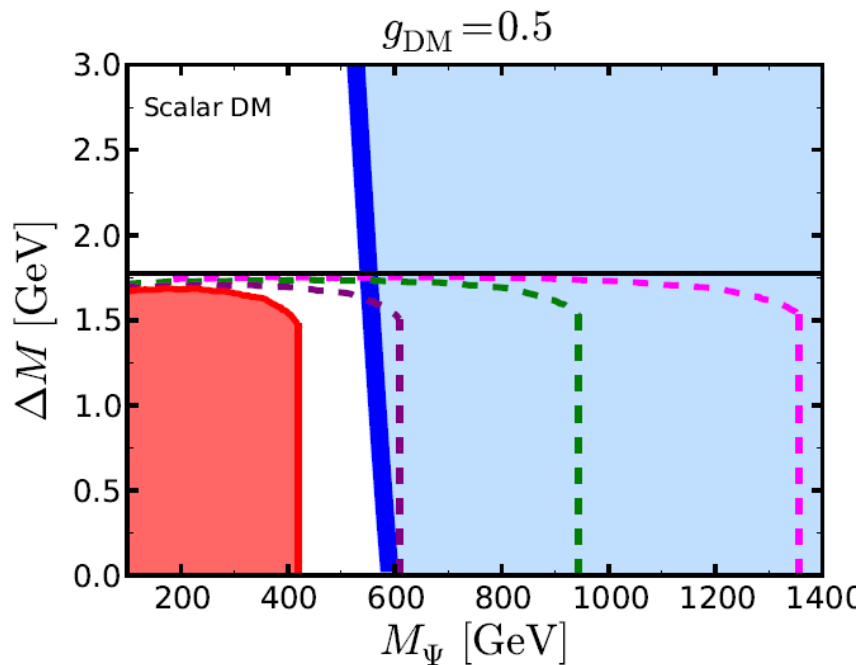
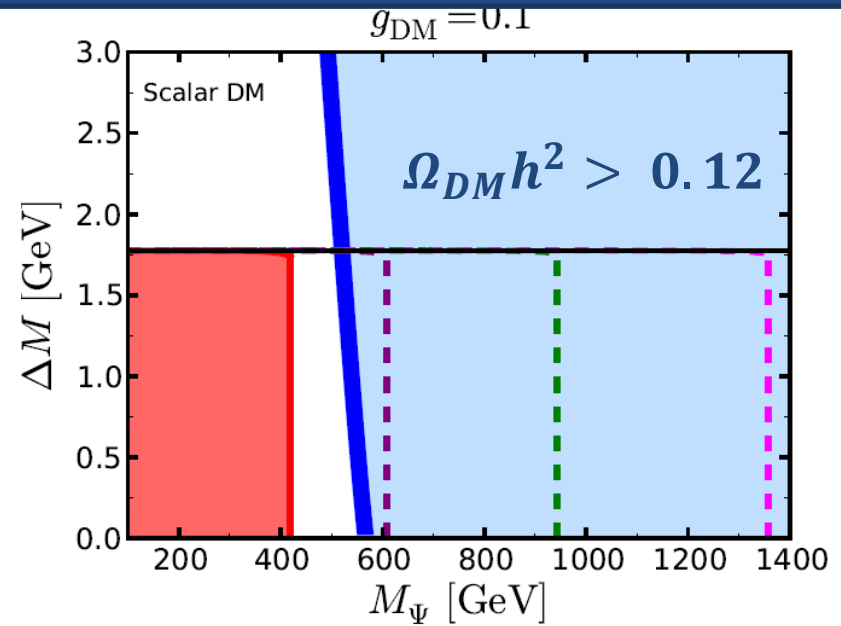
$S(\bar{\Psi} \tau_R) \subset \mathcal{L}$

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Vector dark matter (Model 3)

NOT gauge-invariant, requires UV-completion, e.g. Extra-Dimensions

DM CAP ($Y = 1 \quad L_\tau = 1$)
 A_μ Ψ

Kaluza-Klein photon γ^1

$$A_\mu (\bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \tau_R) \subset \mathcal{L}$$

Kaluza-Klein τ^1

- The lightest KK excitation is usually the 1st excitation of the photon
- DM spin=1 , so there is no chiral suppression

$$m_n^2 = m_0^2 + \frac{n^2}{R^2}$$

Vector dark matter (Model 3)

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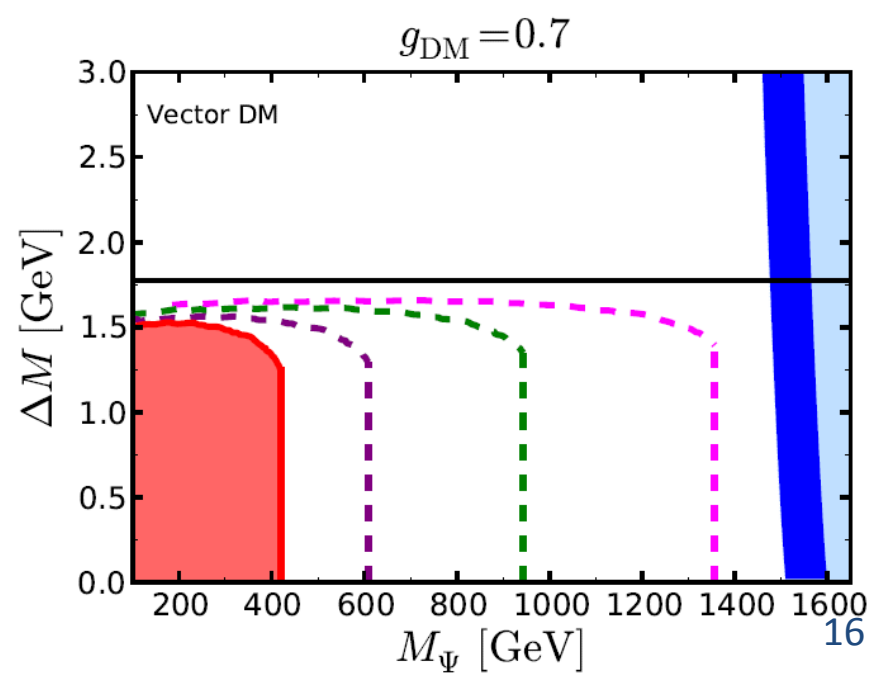
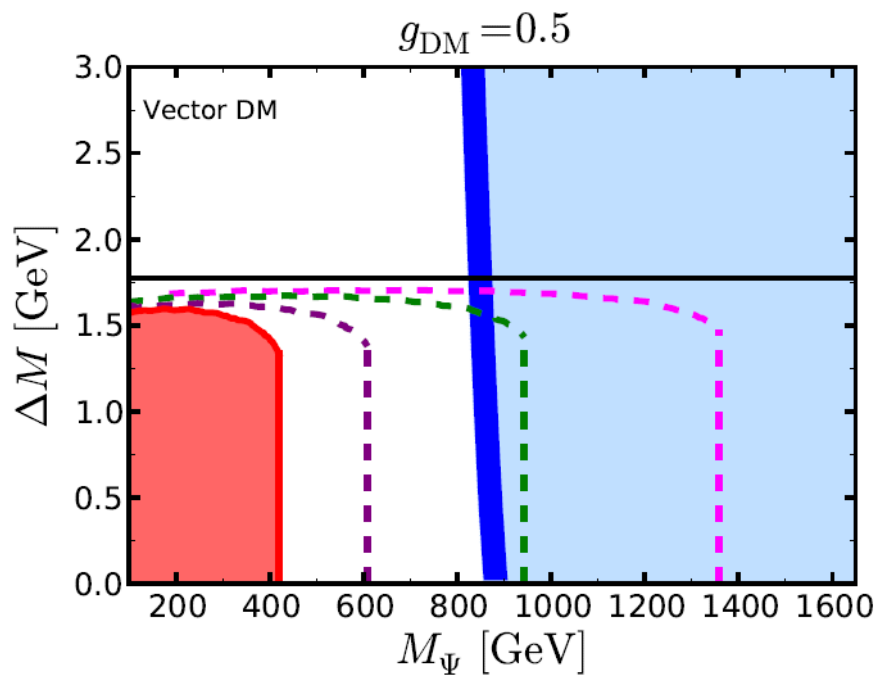
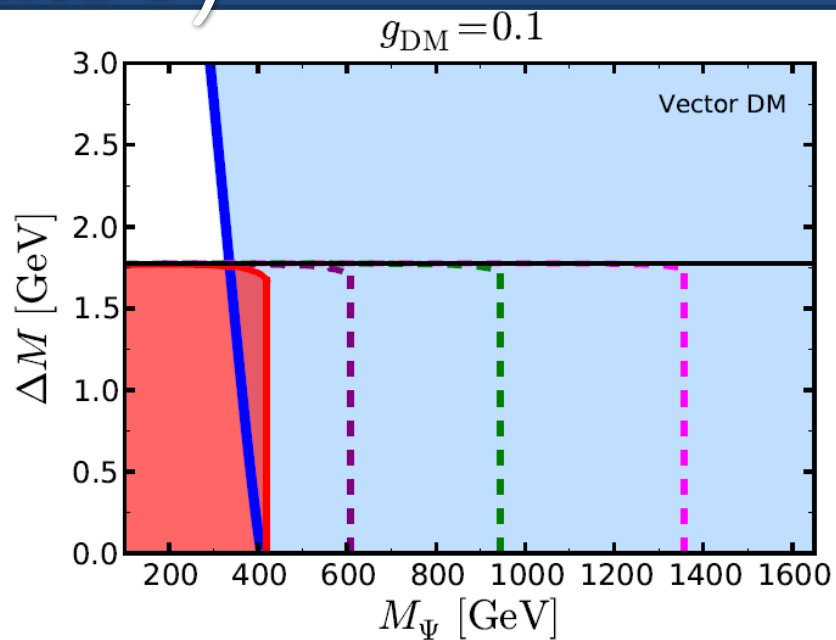
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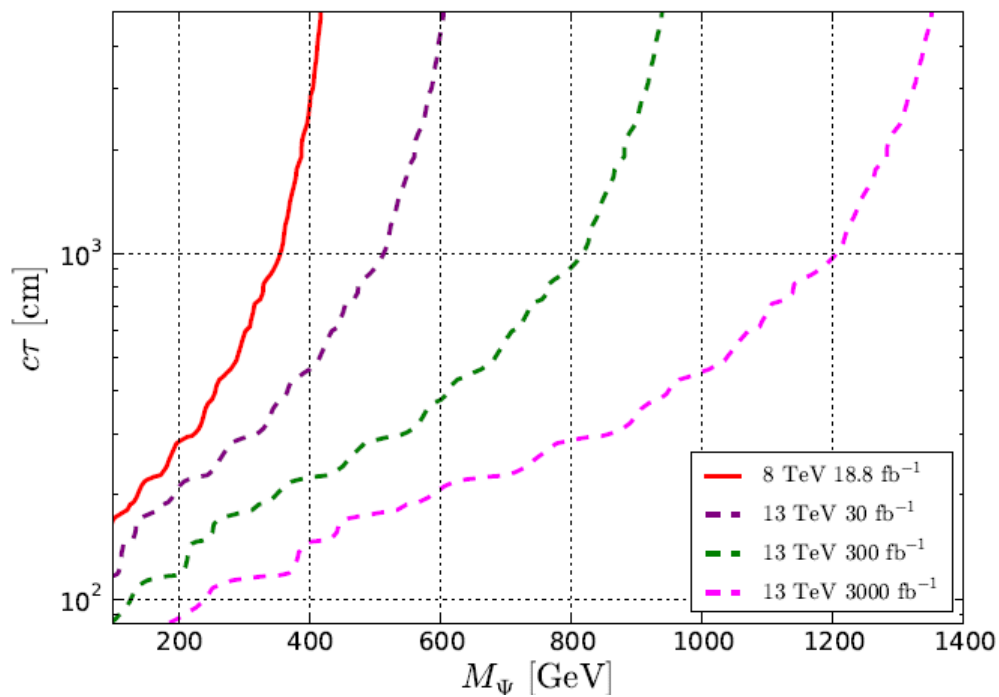
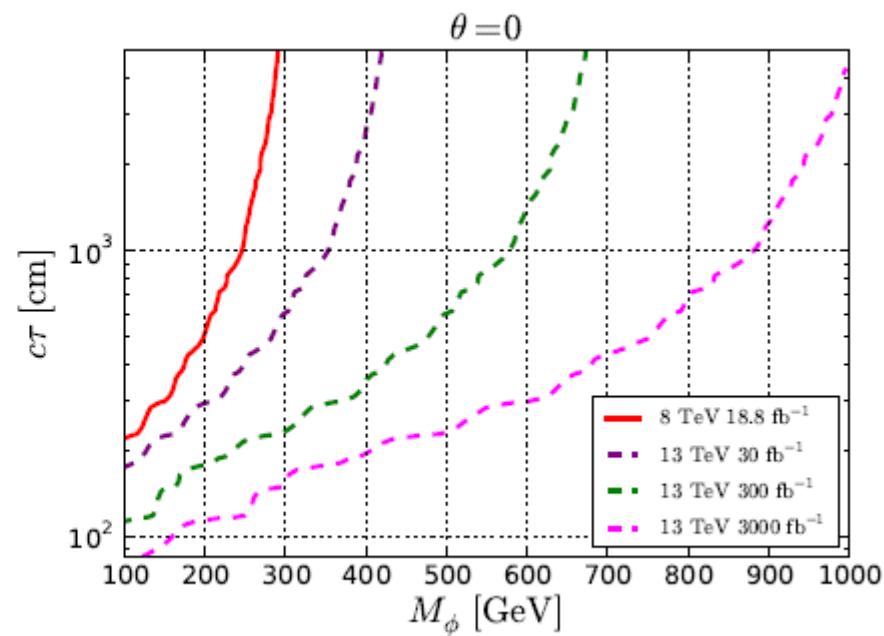
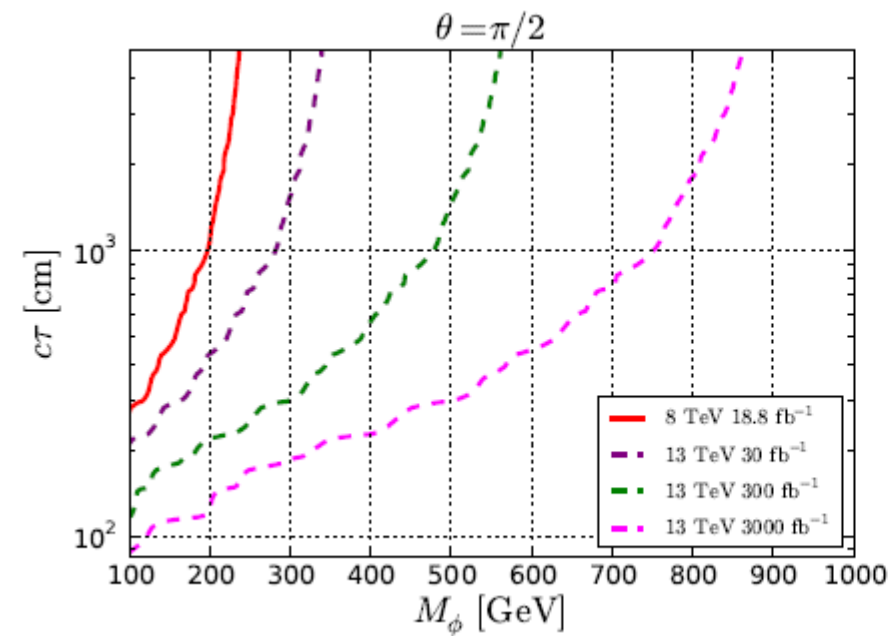
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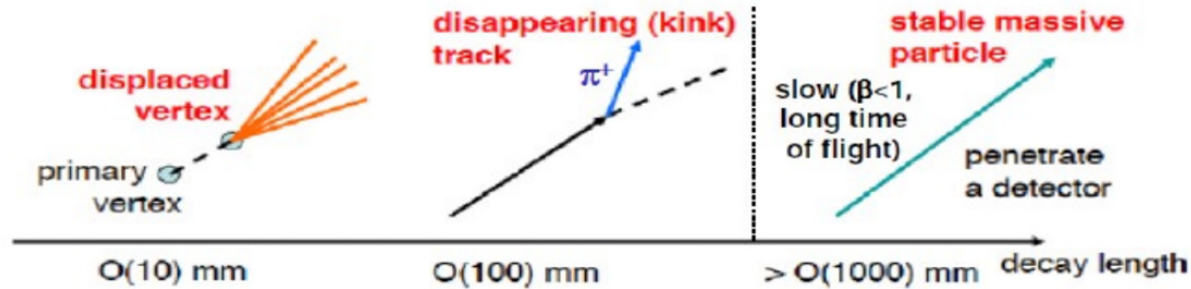
Conclusions

- We have studied 4 classes of simplified models, that have 3-point interaction with **τ -lepton**
- We have considered the case for **Majorana, real scalar** and **vector dark matter**
- Instead of a mediator, these simplified models have a **co-annihilation partner** that has **non-zero hypercharge** and the crucial signature are **tracks of long-lived charged particles**.
- In the four simplified models we have introduced there are only **3 free parameters**
- The possible **discovery** of a long-lived electrically charged particle could provide **an insight into the nature** of dark matter

Thank you.



Searching for long-lived charged particles



[Melzer-Pellmann, Pralavorio 2014]

- A long-lived charged particle escapes inner detector, leaving a charged track from ionization energy loss
- Long-lived charged particles that have **lifetimes $> 10^{-8}$ seconds**, leave anomalous charged track and ionize the muon chamber



CMS-EXO-12-026

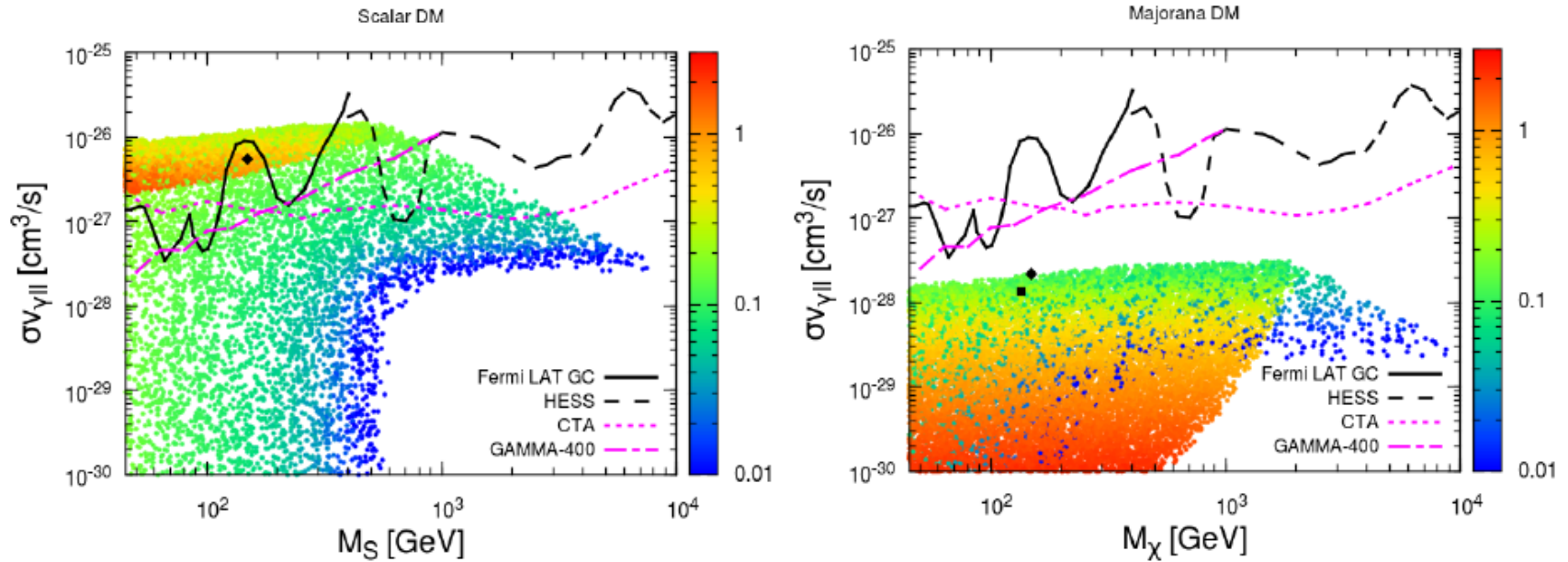


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Searches for long-lived charged particles in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV

The CMS Collaboration*

Indirect Detection



[Giacchino, Lopez-Honorez, Tytgat 2013]

Color coding corresponds to parameter $\frac{M_{CAP}}{M_{DM}} - 1$

Blue dots correspond to small mass splitting