

Light (and dark) Mediators

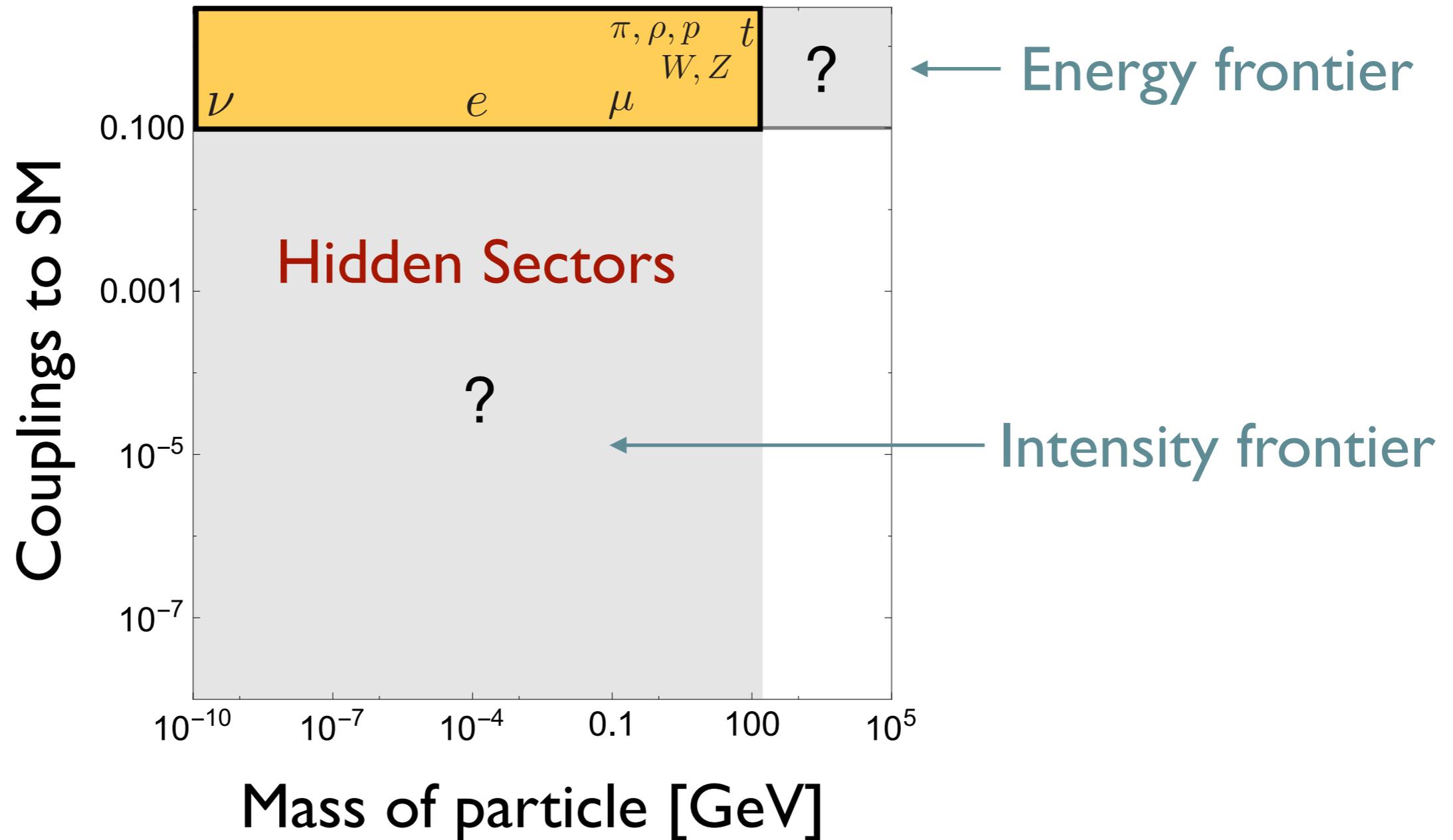
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*Near Detector Physics
at Neutrino Experiments
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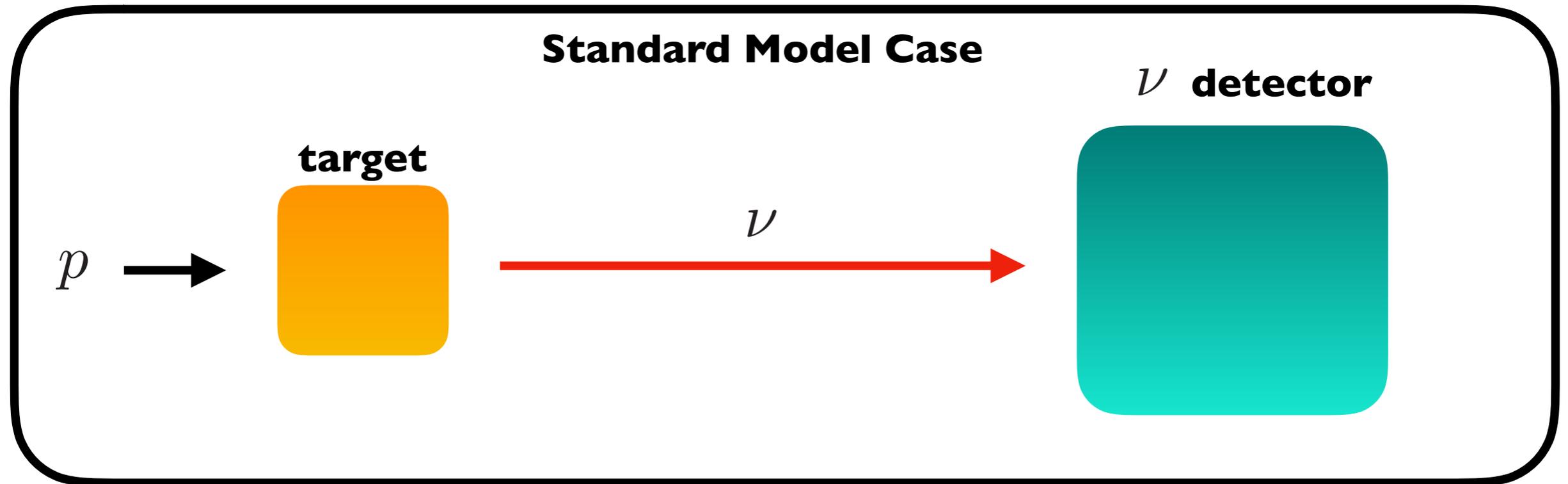


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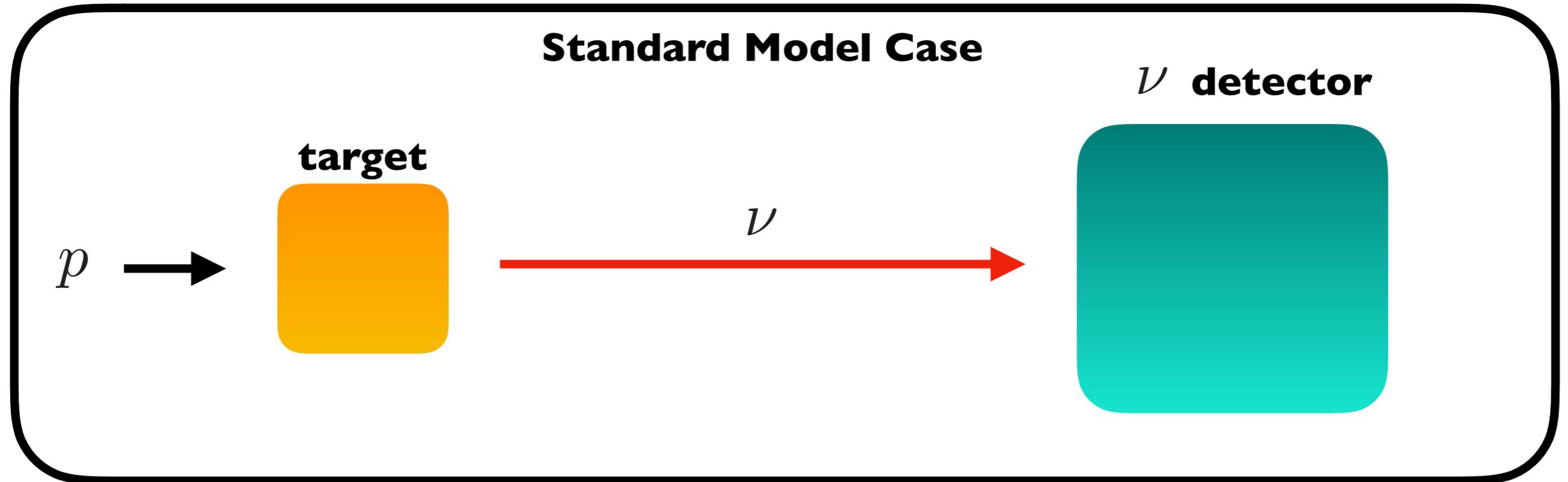


**Need a multi-pronged effort
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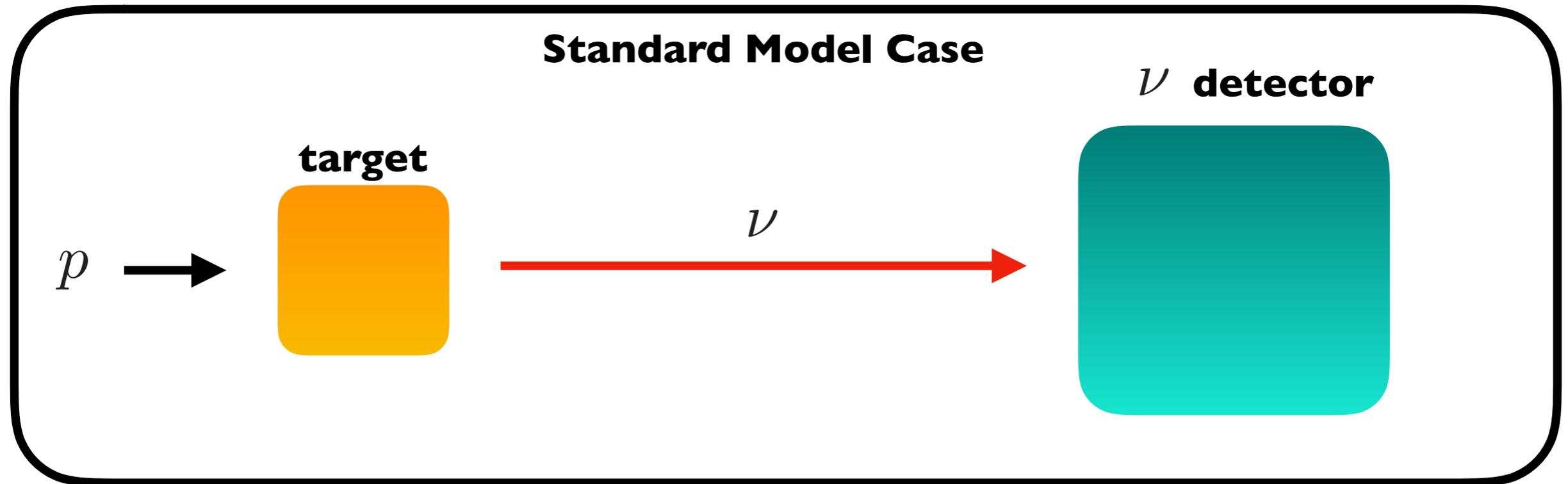


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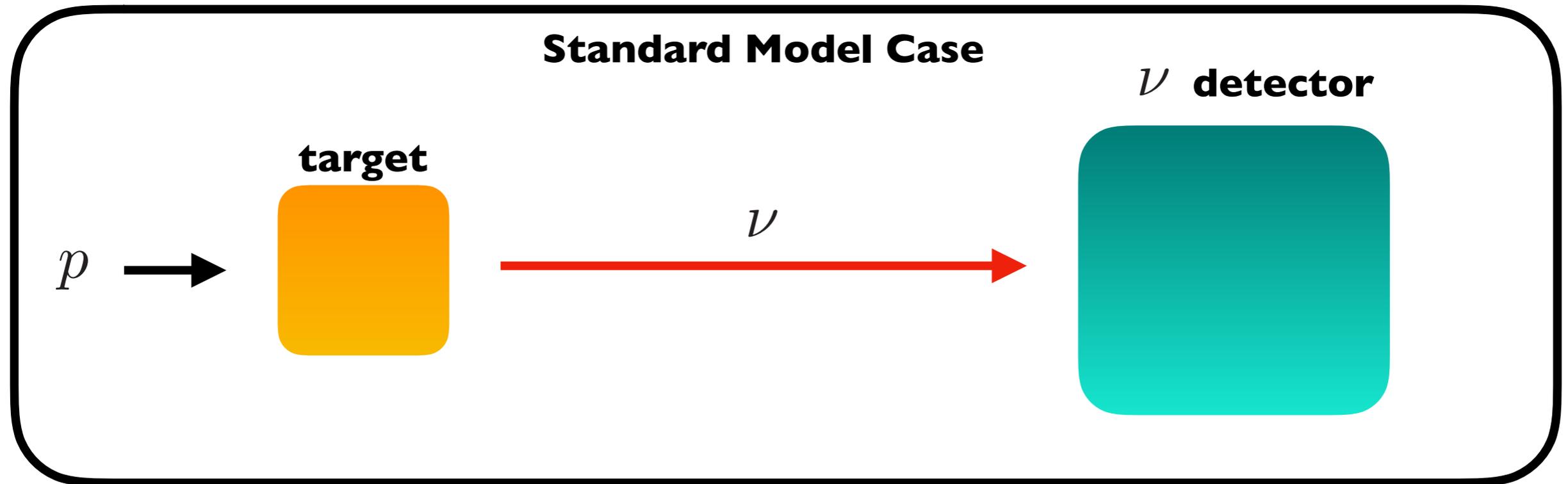
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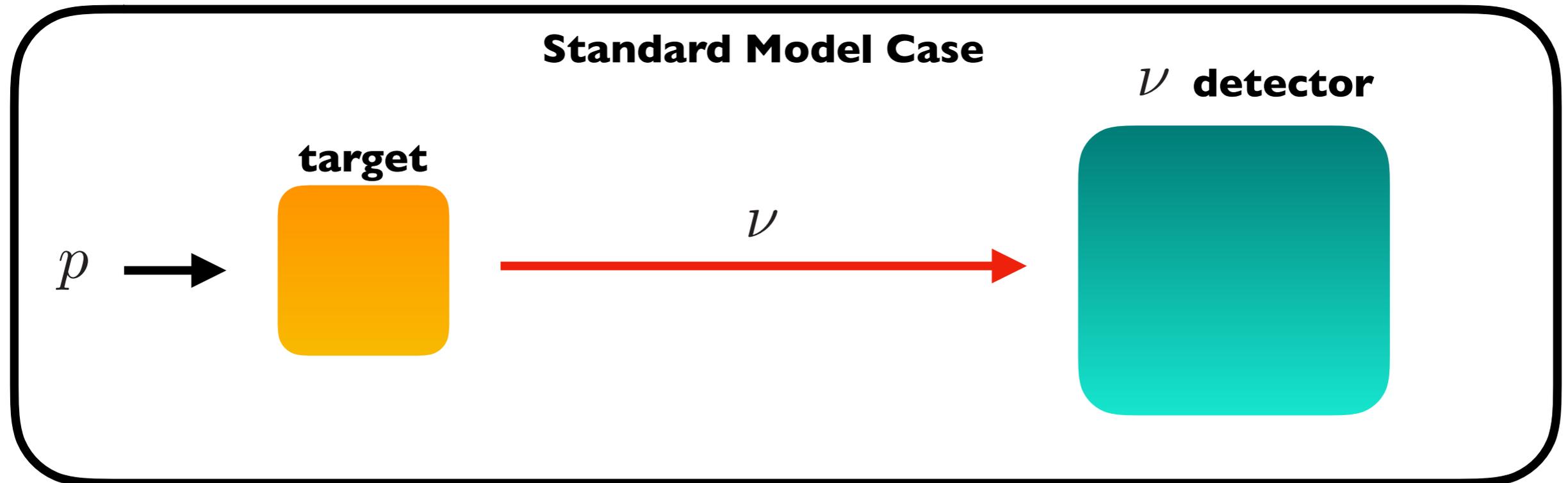
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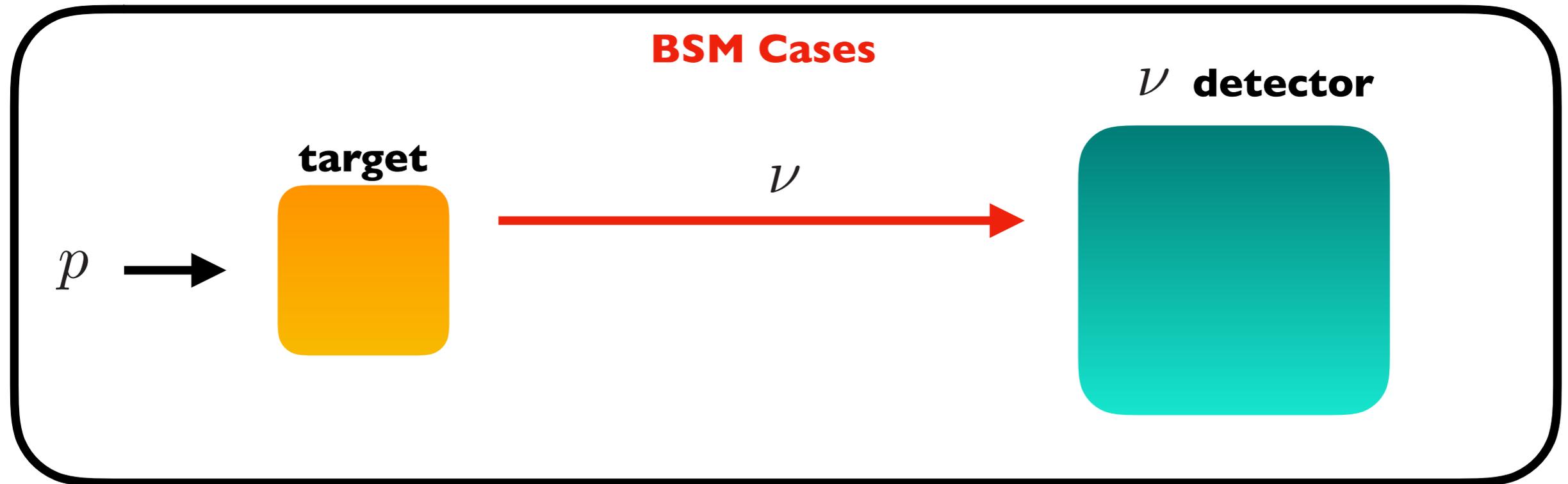
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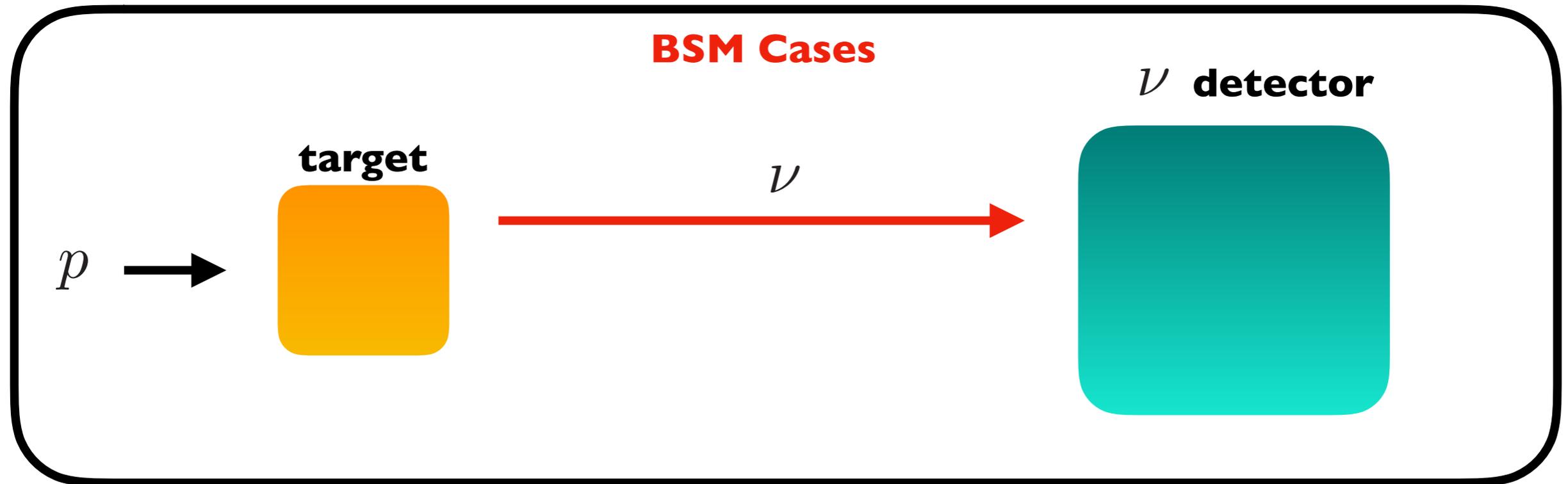
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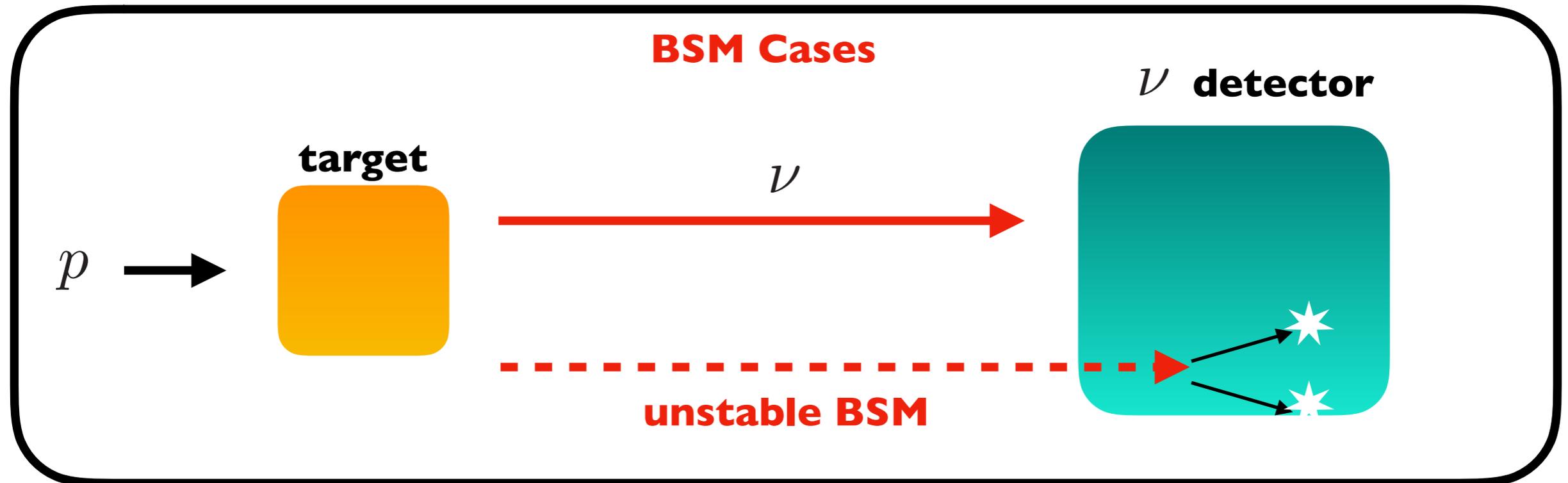
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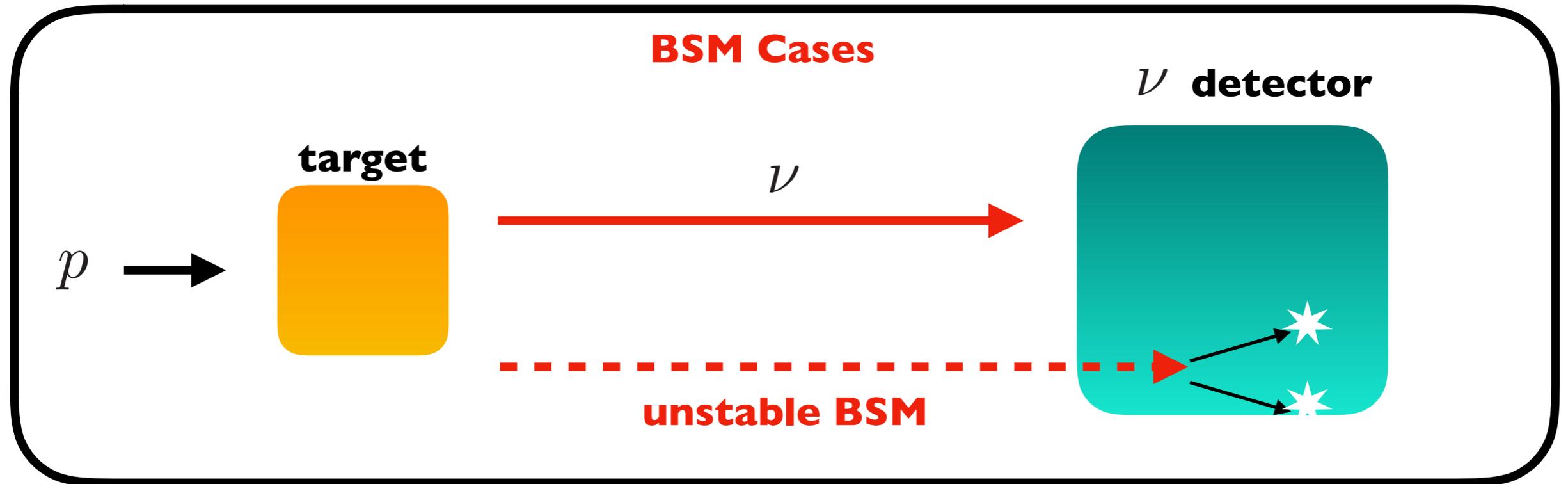
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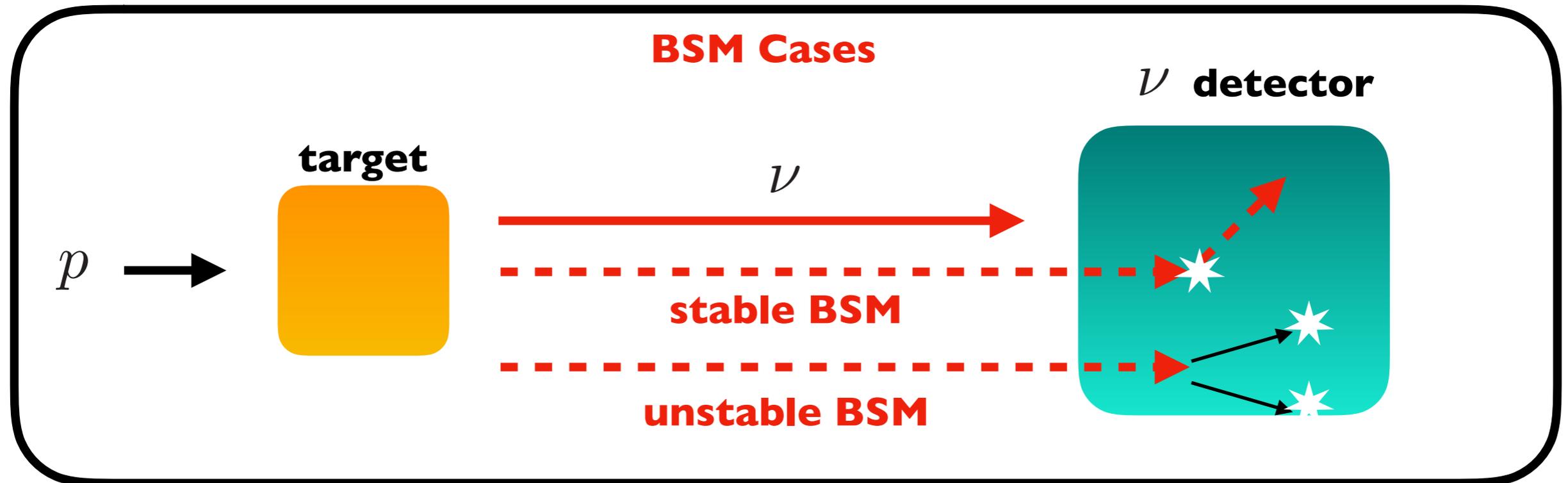


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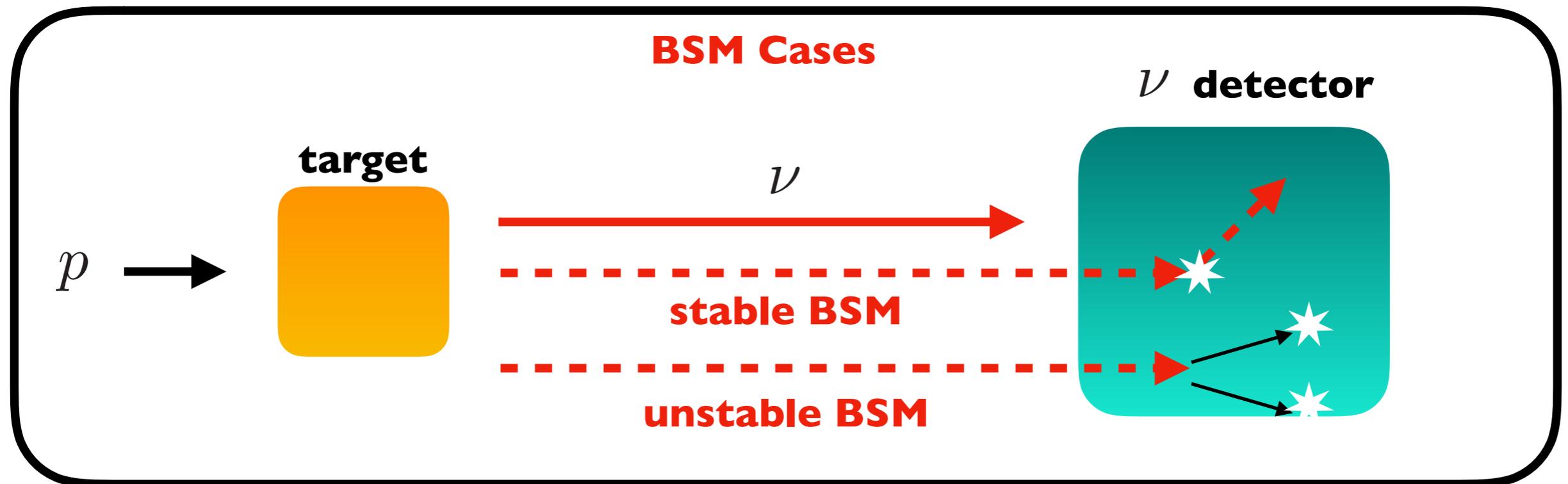


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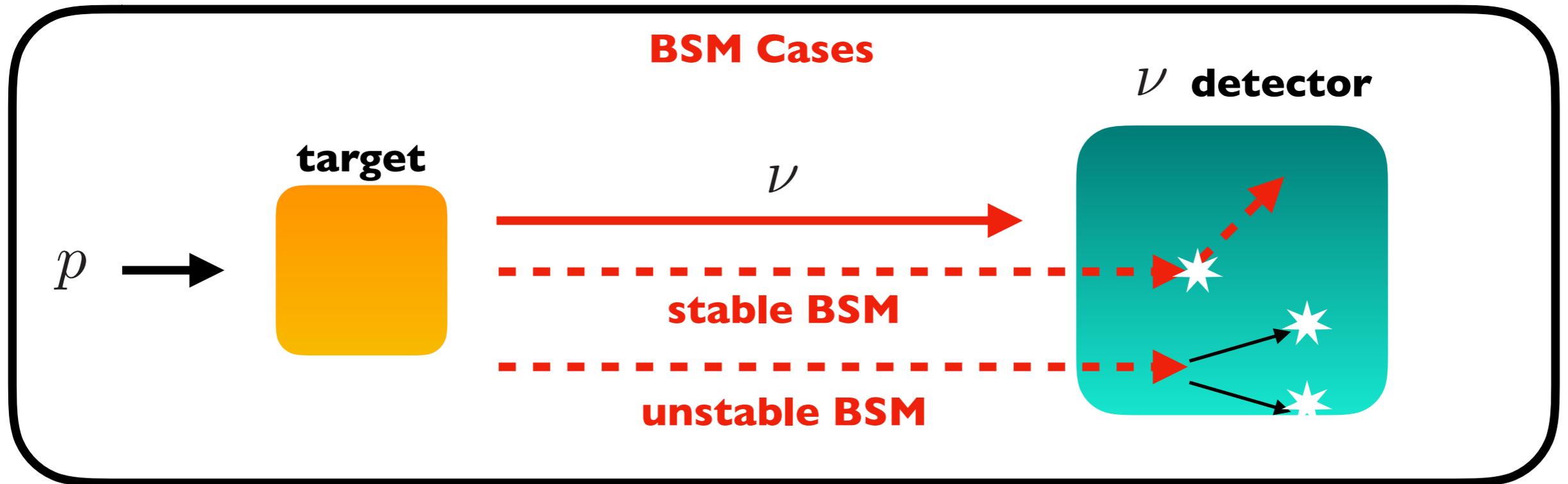
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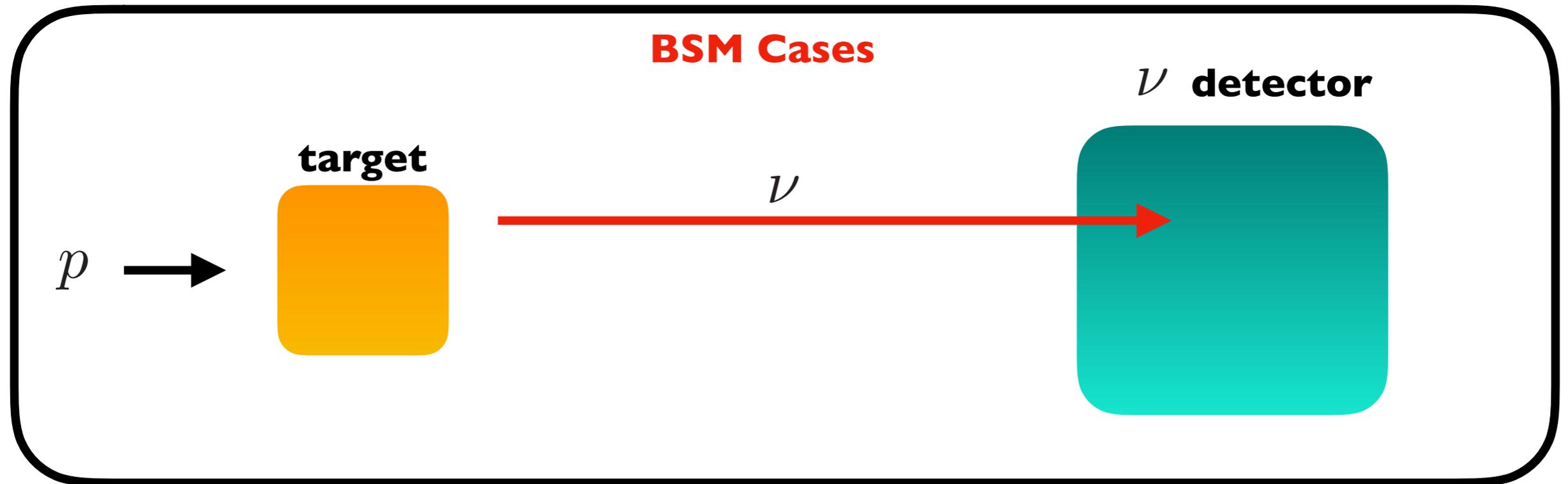
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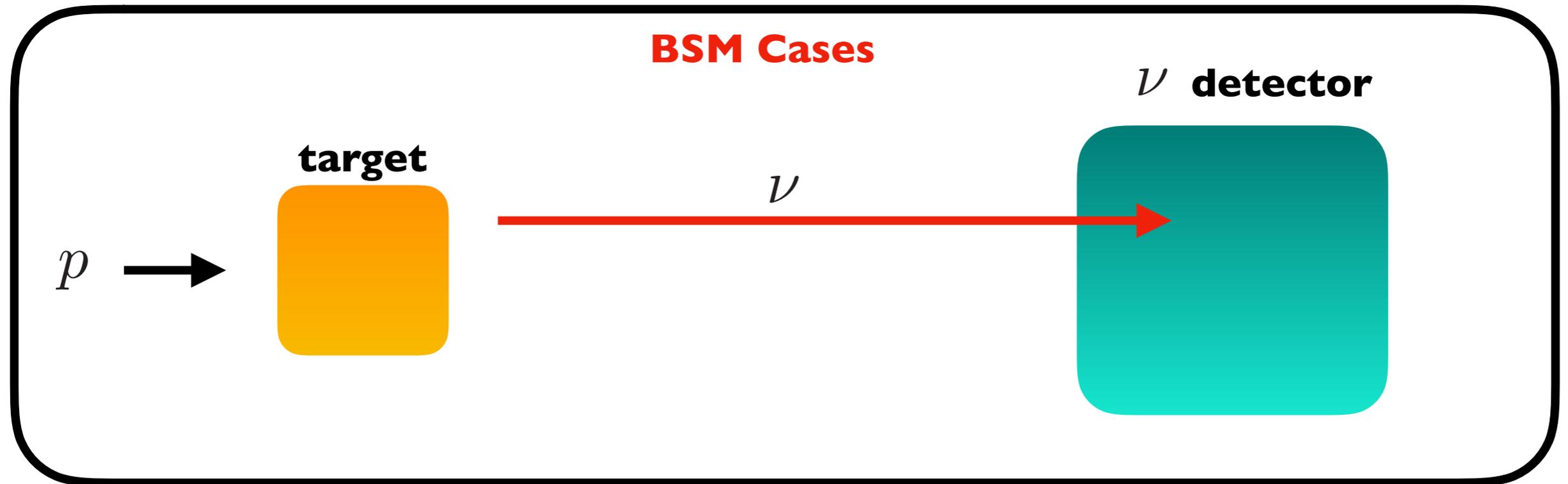
Yu-Dai Tsai
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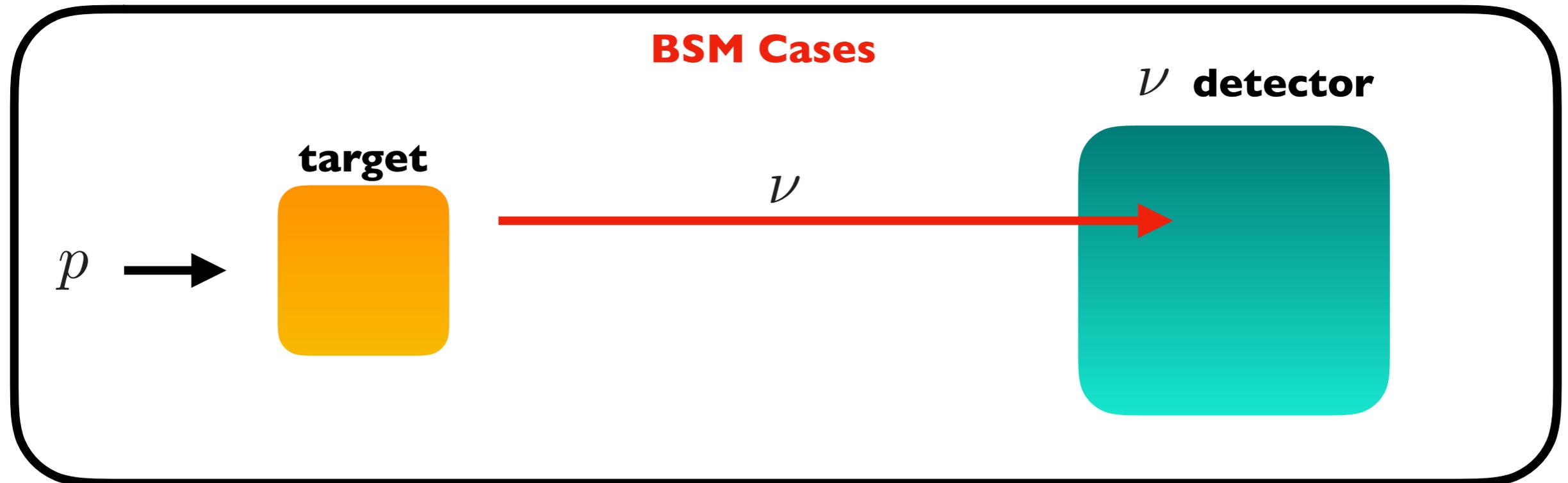
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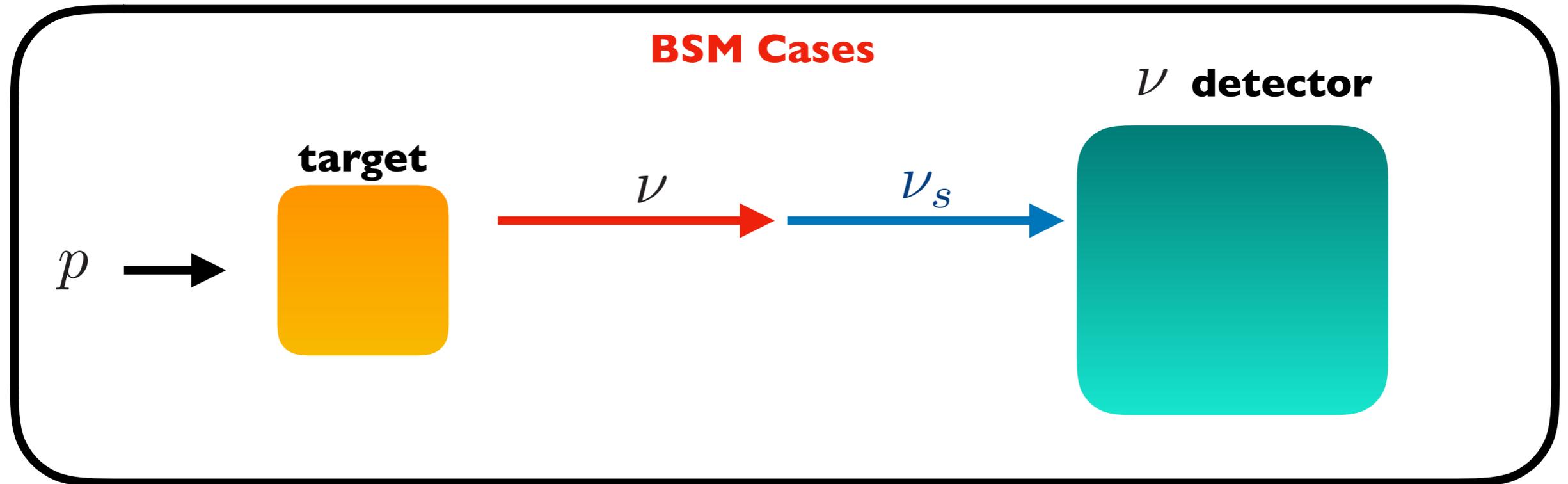
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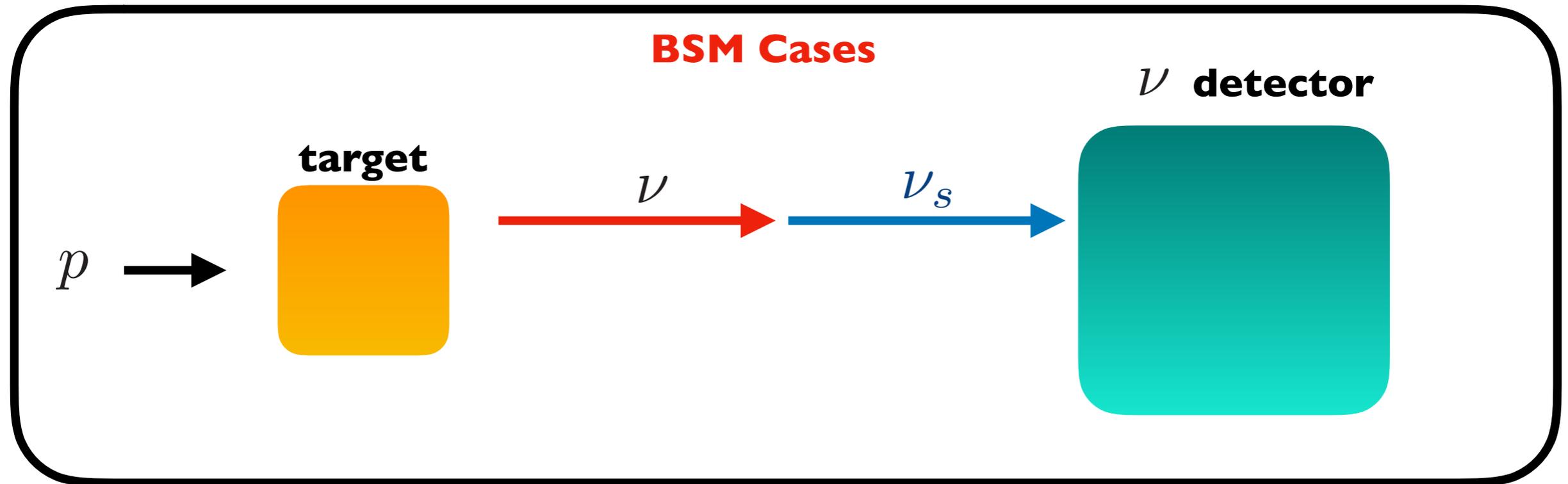
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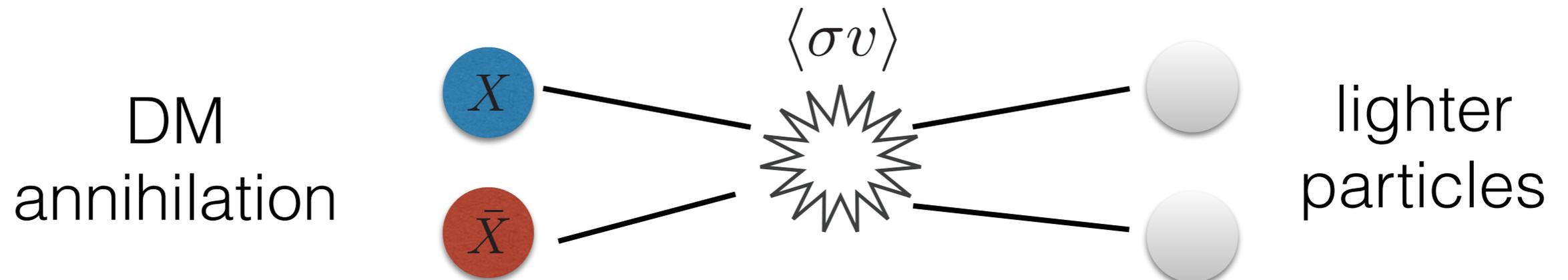
- Have we found all of the forces and matter in Nature yet?
 - **No!** New Physics might be hiding beneath our noses at relatively low energies=> **light mediators**.
- Light Dark Matter: thermal relic, asymmetric DM, ...
 - Lots of room for **light DM** to hide, **but needs to be accompanied by a light(er) mediator if thermal**.
 - Can produce a DM beam in neutrino experiments.
- Even w/o DM connection, there exist light mediator models that predict new signals at near detectors.

Why light DM? And why light mediators?

(Wouldn't Occam be disappointed?)

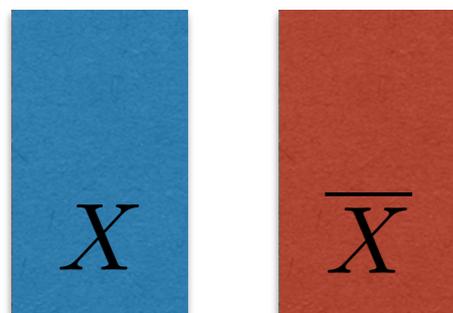
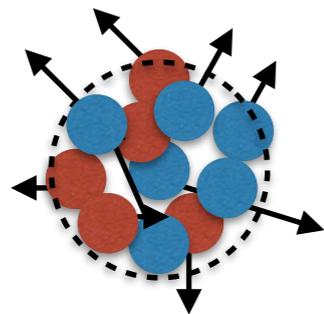
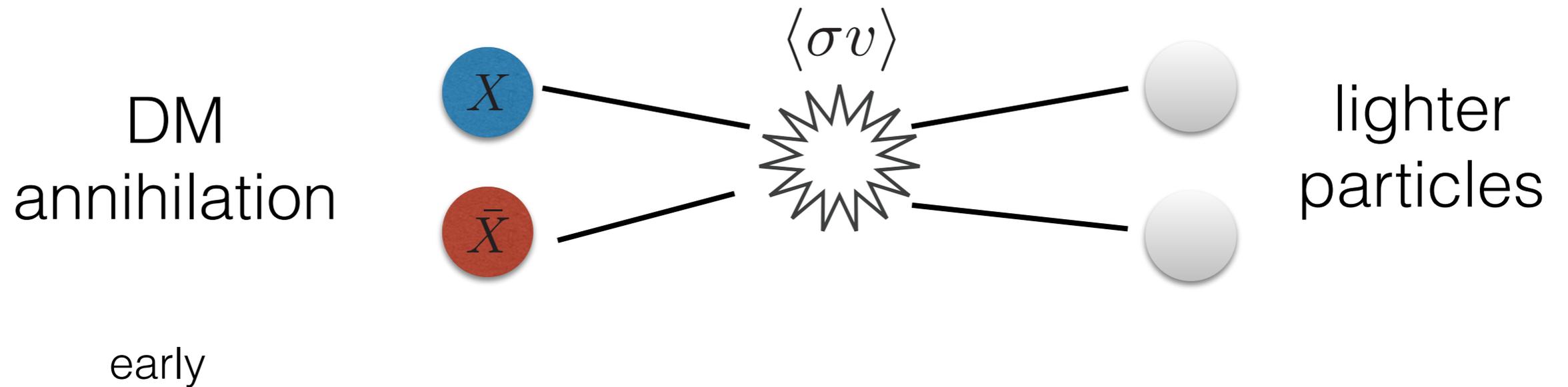
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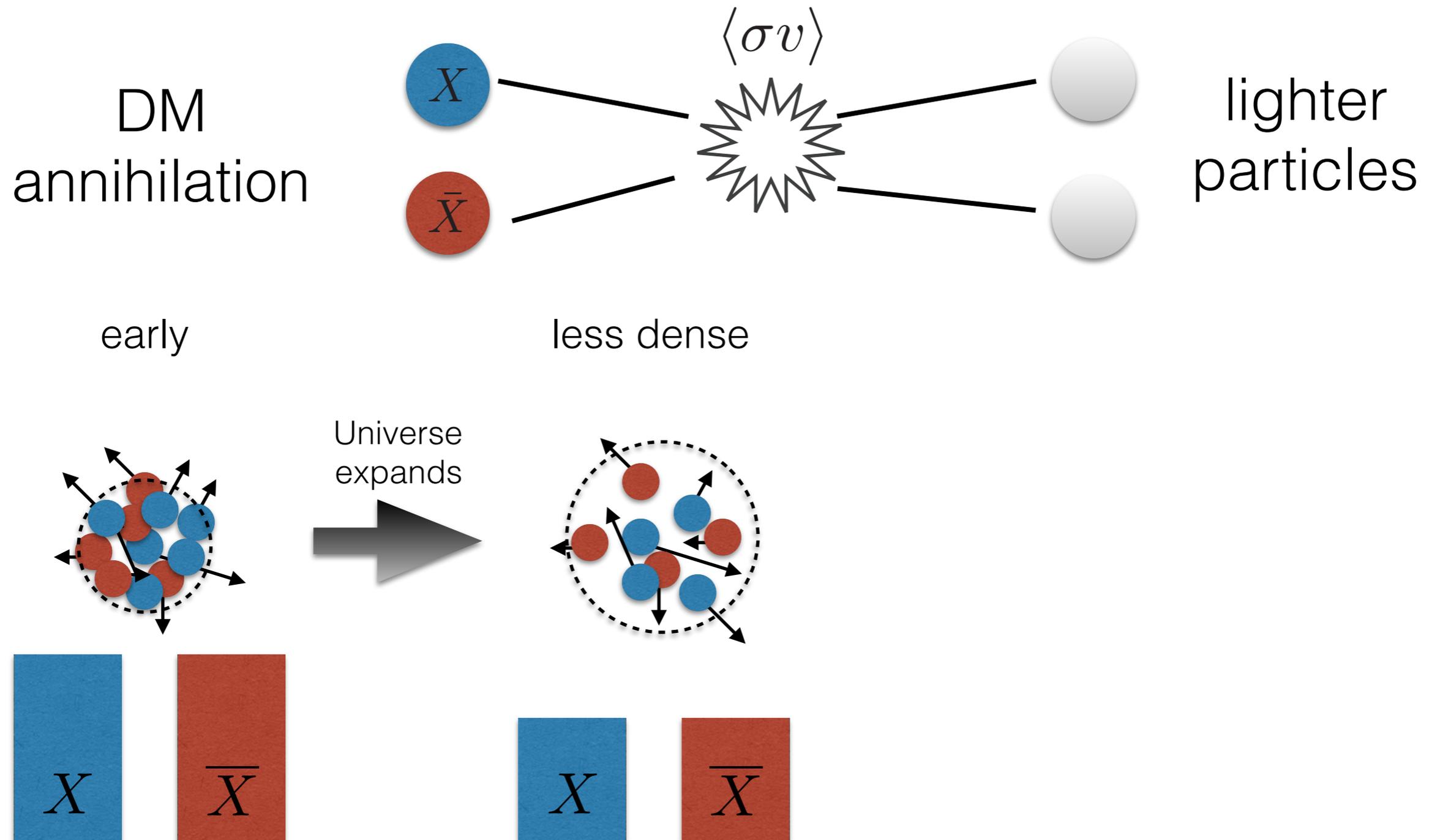
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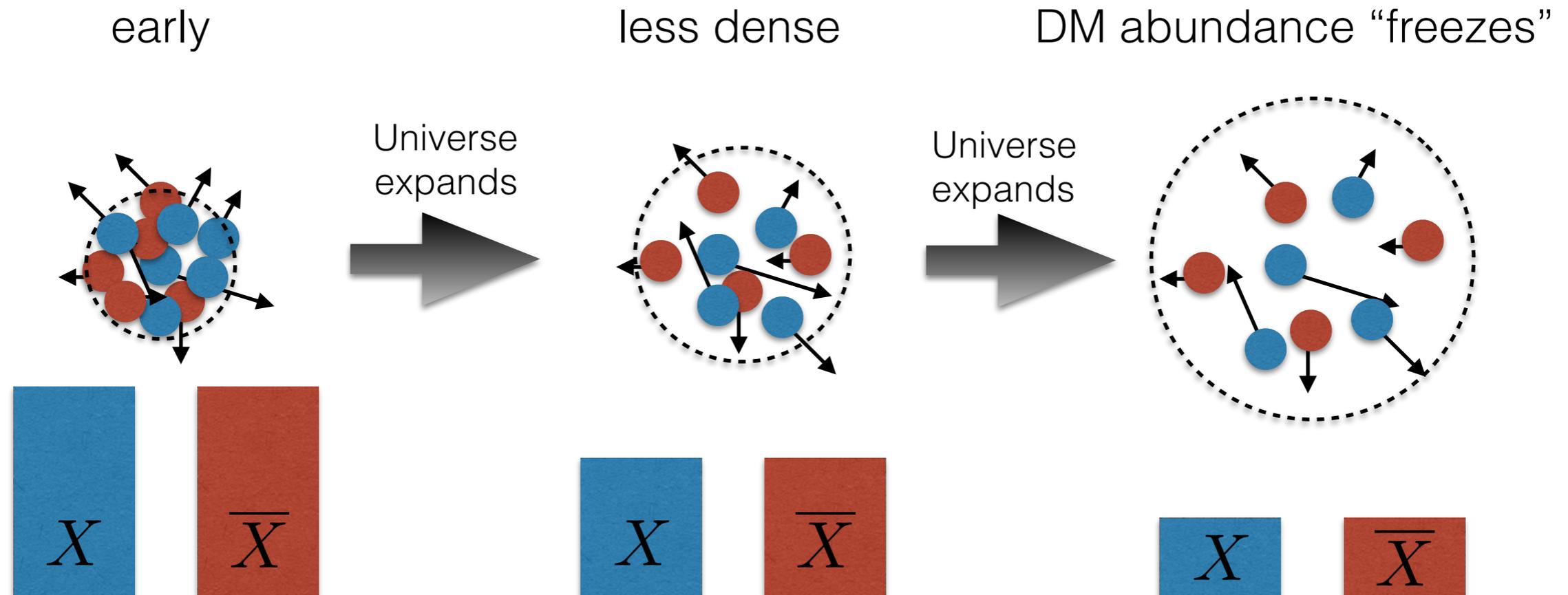
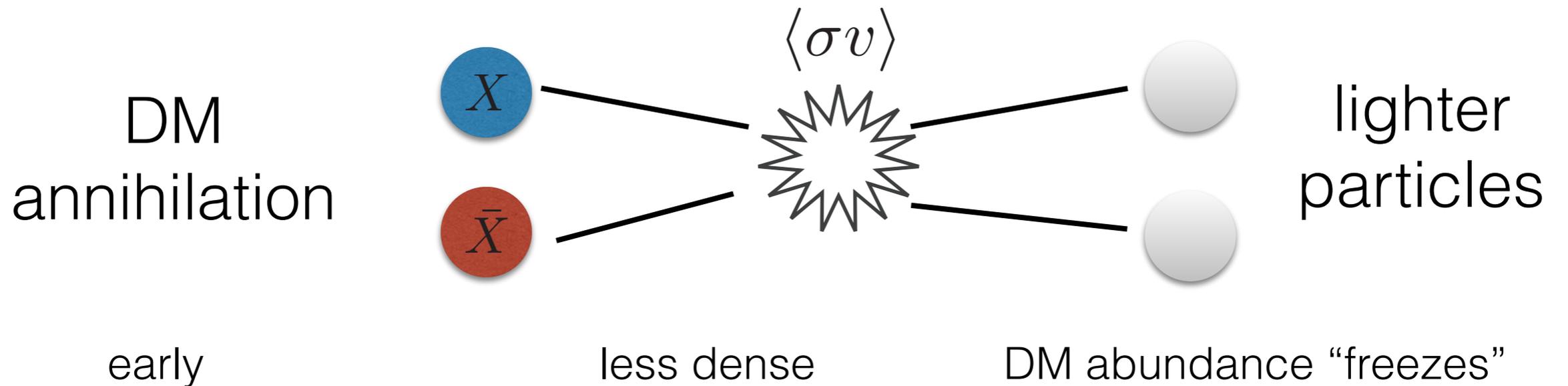
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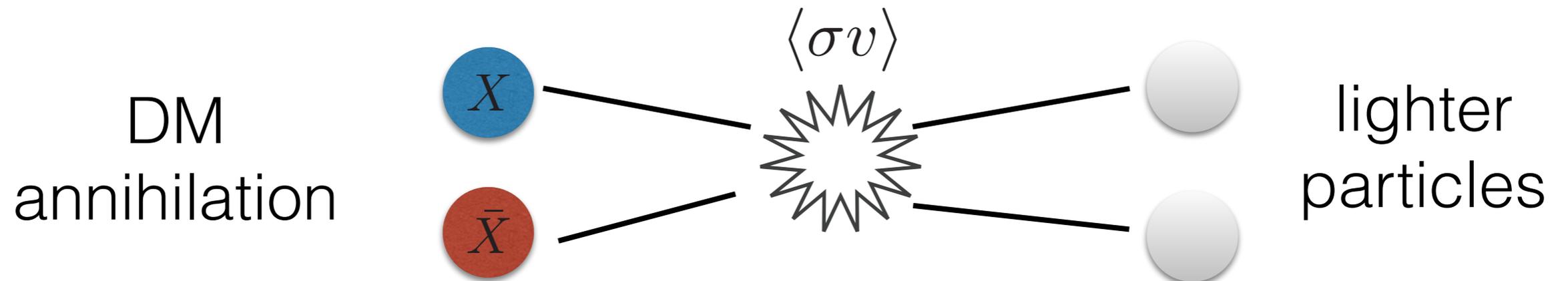
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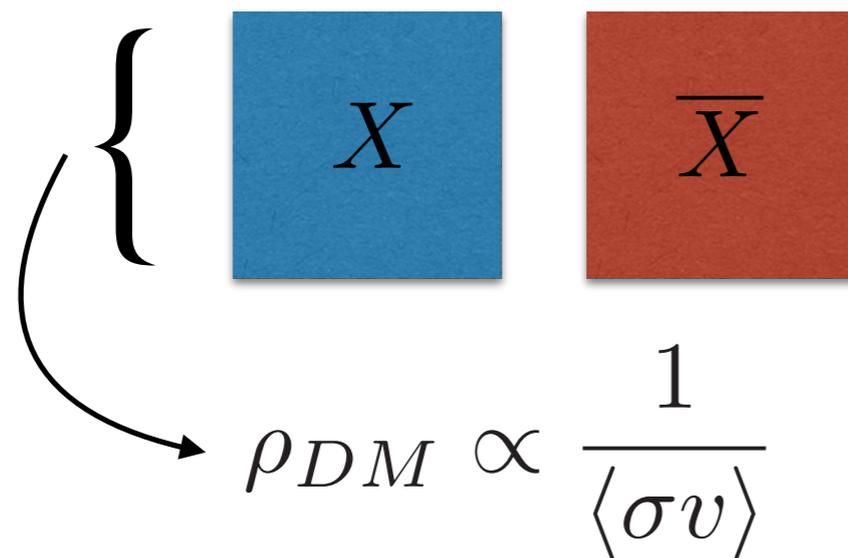


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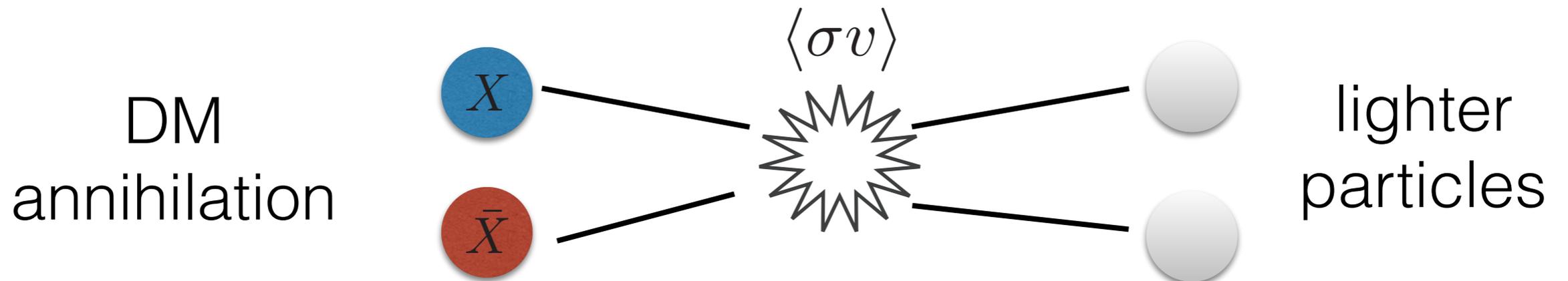


The diagram shows two colored squares, one blue and one red, representing the dark matter particles X and \bar{X} . A large curly brace on the left groups these two squares. An arrow points from the brace to the equation below.

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A thermal relic has the observed DM abundance if:

$$\langle\sigma v\rangle = 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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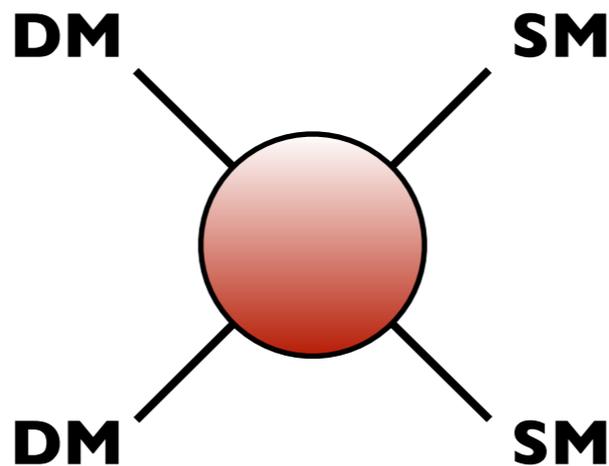
WIMP = Weakly-Interacting Massive Particle

Search Complementarity

“Break it” - Indirect Detection



Search for products of DM annihilation in regions of high DM density.



“Make it” - Colliders



Produce DM and find anomalous missing energy.

“Wait for it” Direct Detection

*DM-SM scattering
in detector*



**Elegant, compelling,
but not unique.**

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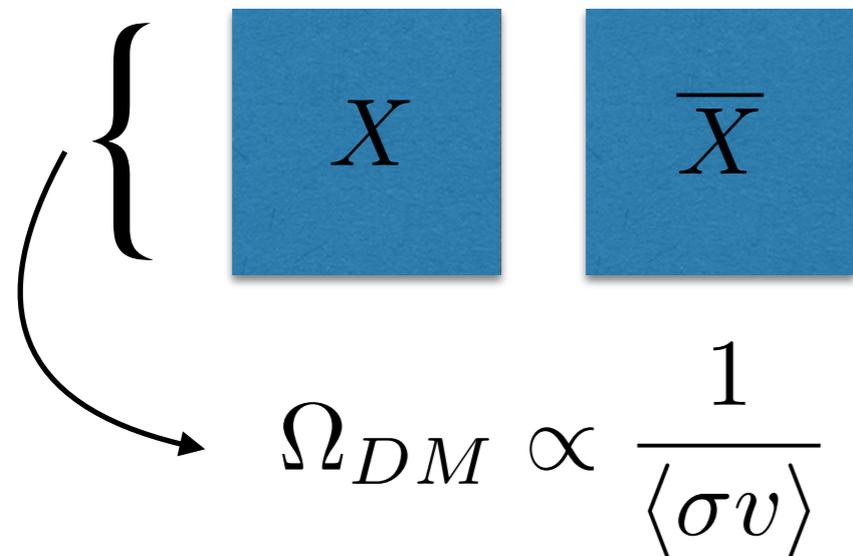
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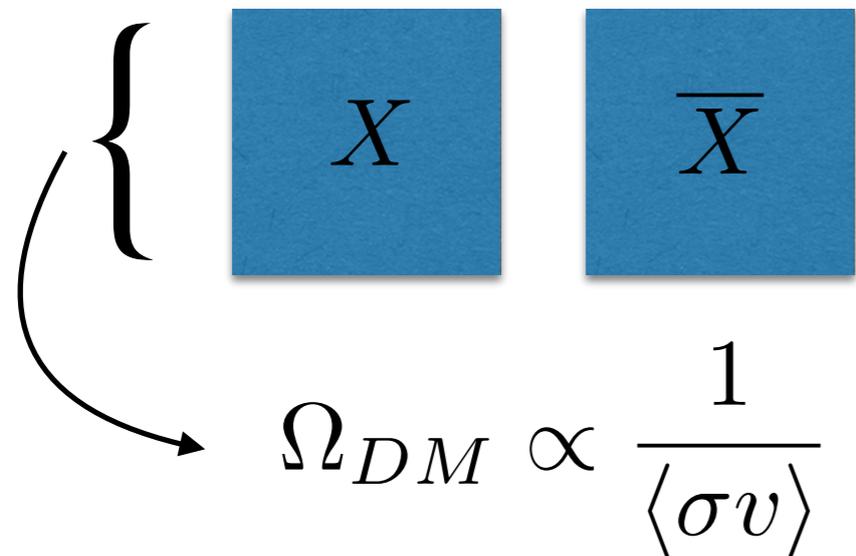
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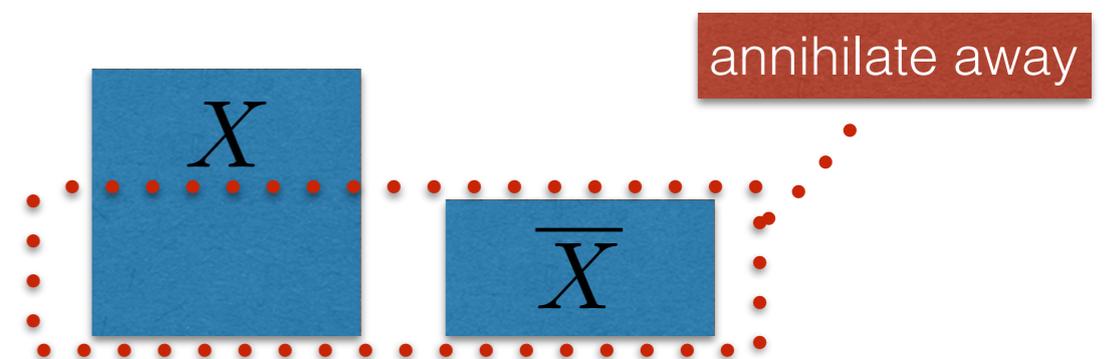
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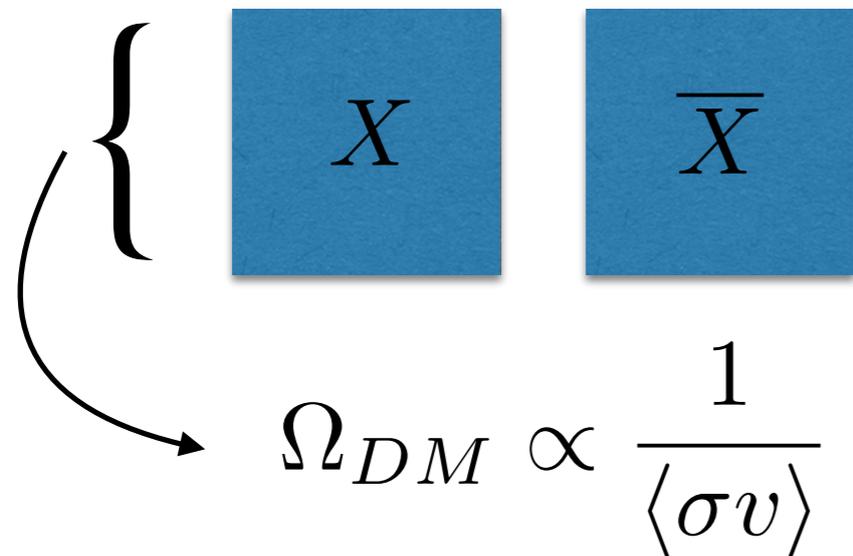
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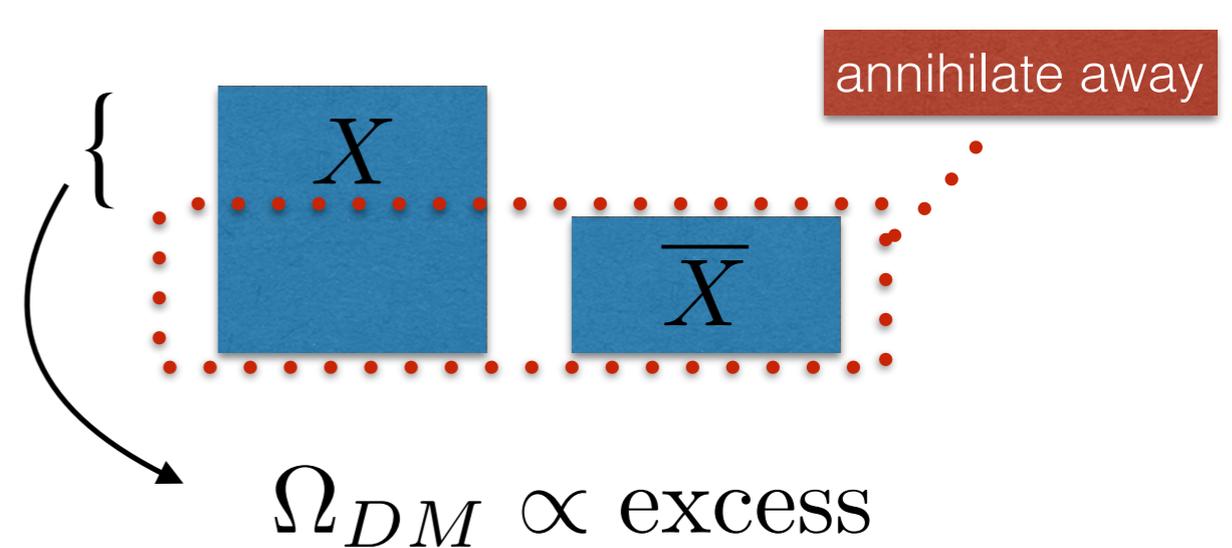
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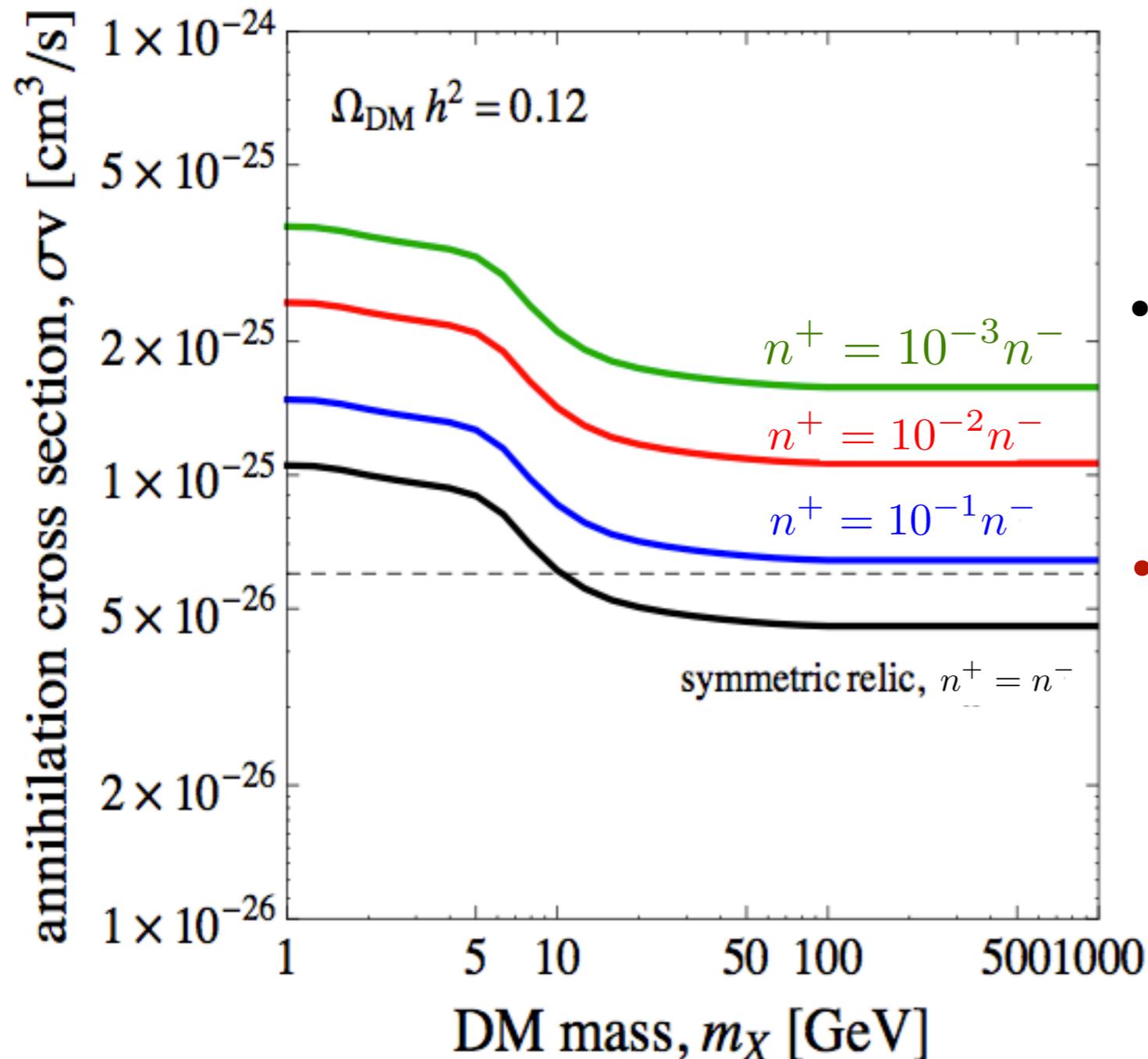


ADM “Miracle” Cross Sections

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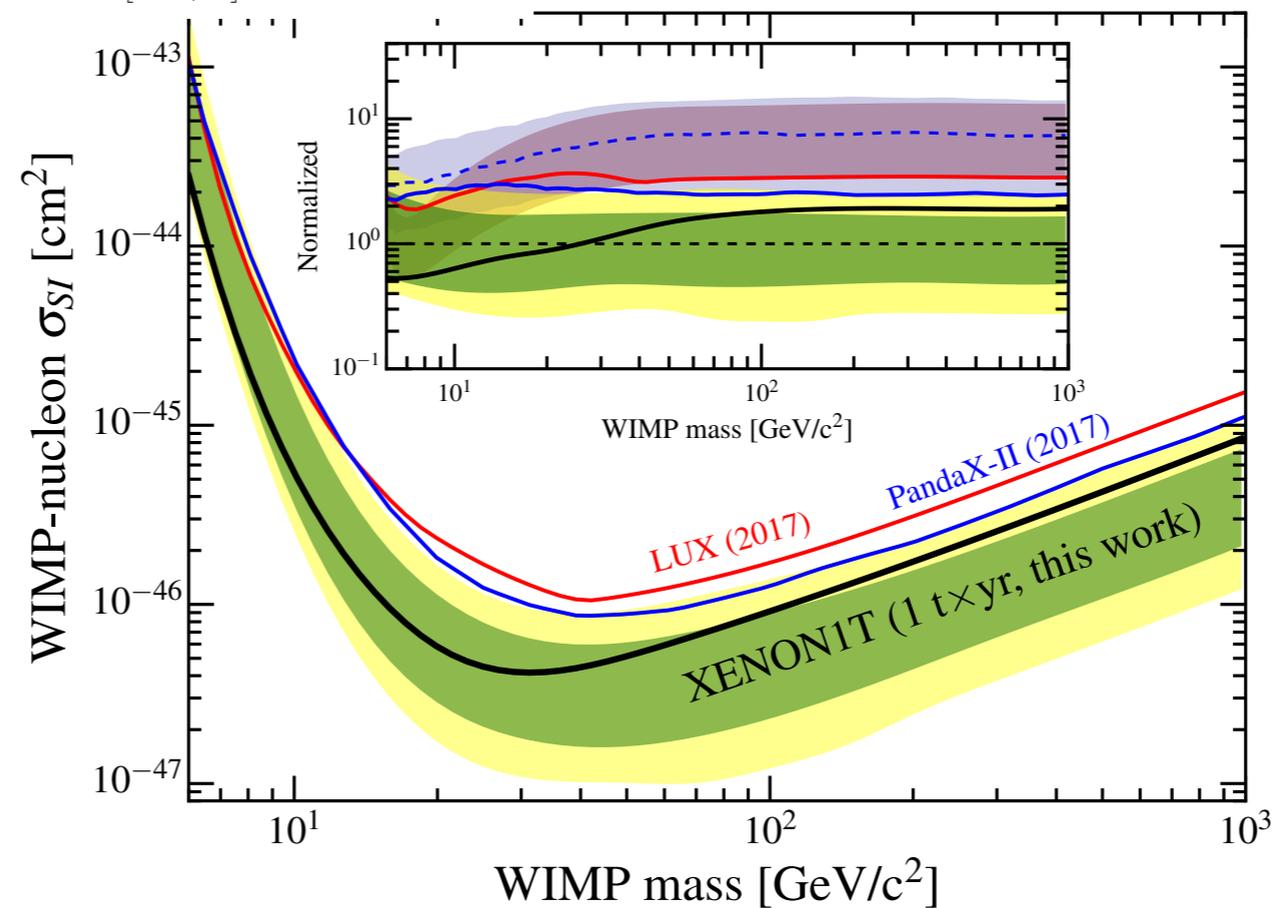
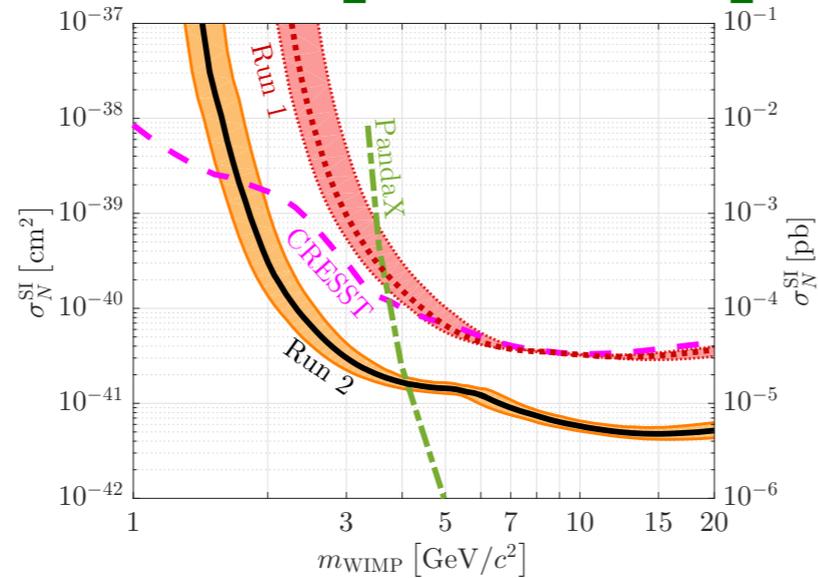


- Size of cross section, will yield different anti-particle abundances.
- Cross sections needed are larger than the symmetric case.

Where can DM still be hiding?

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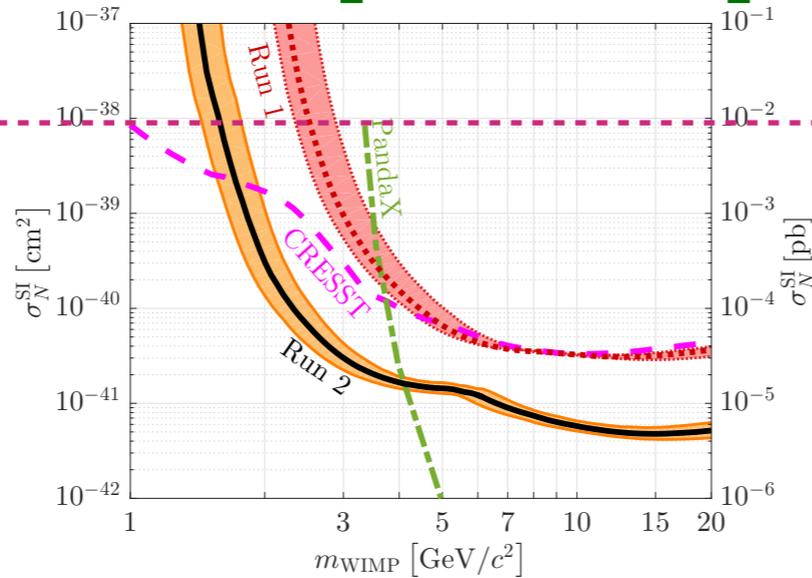
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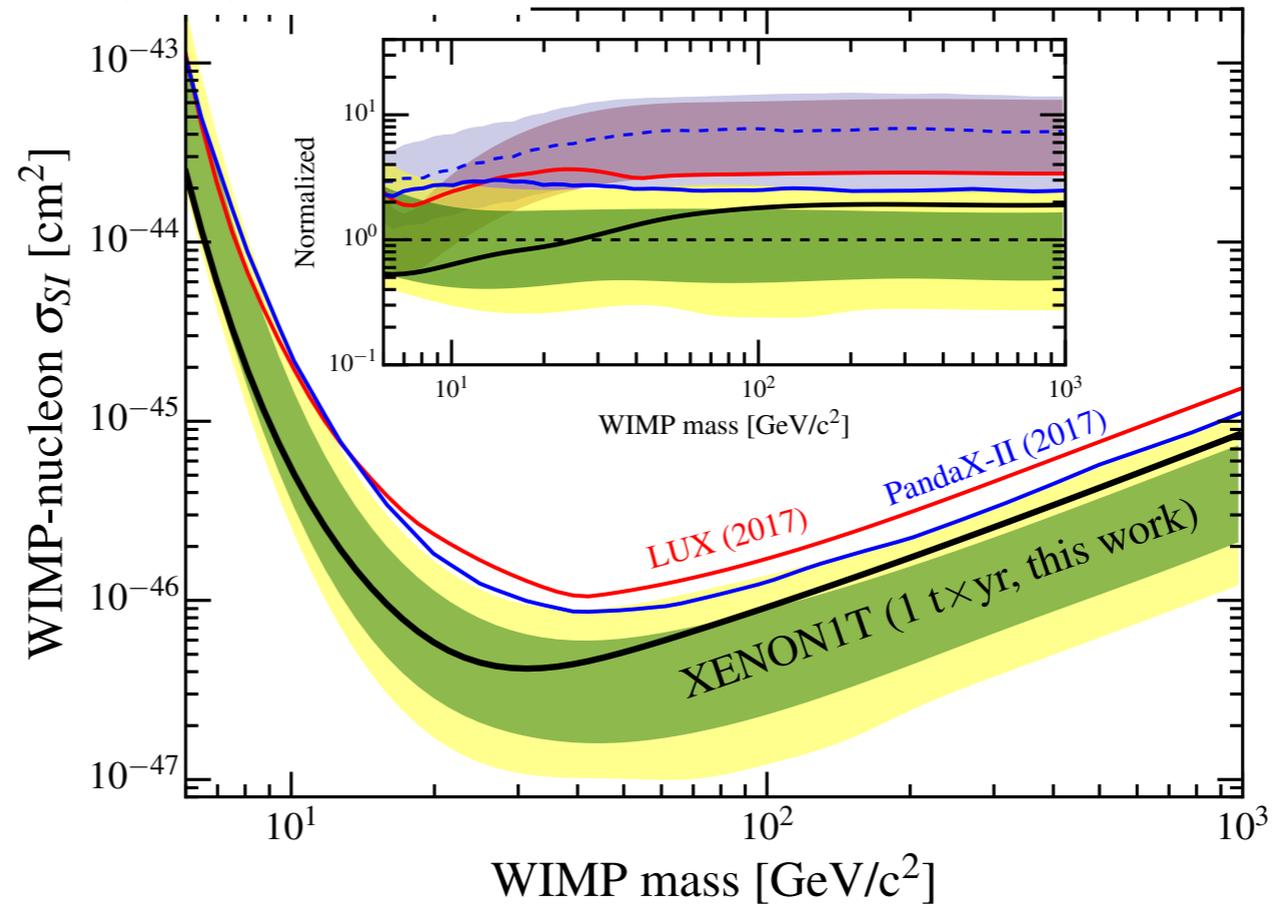
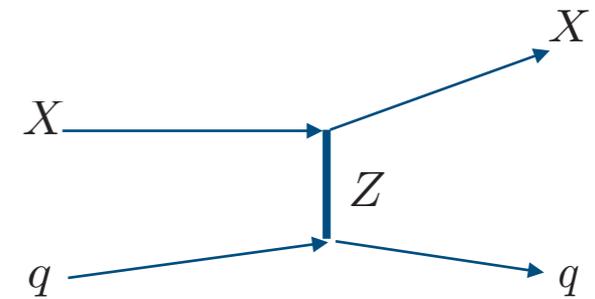
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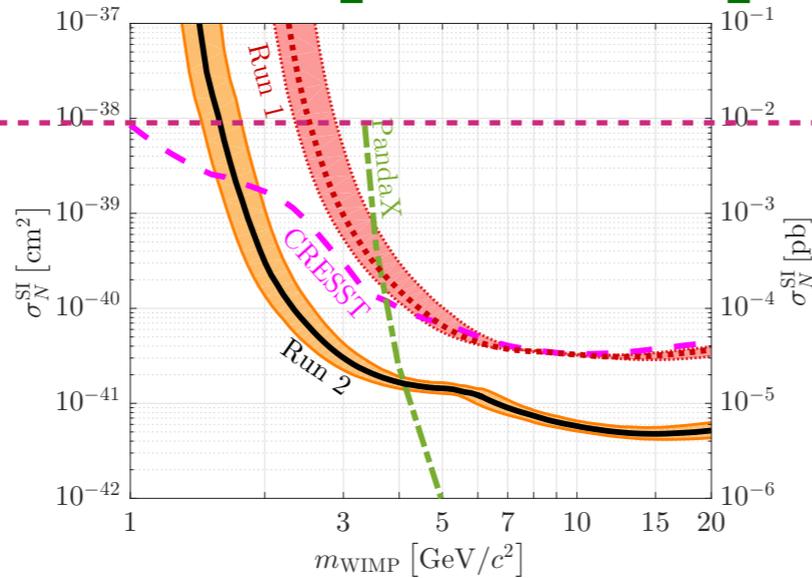
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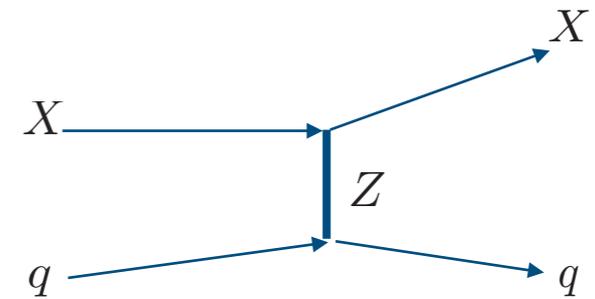
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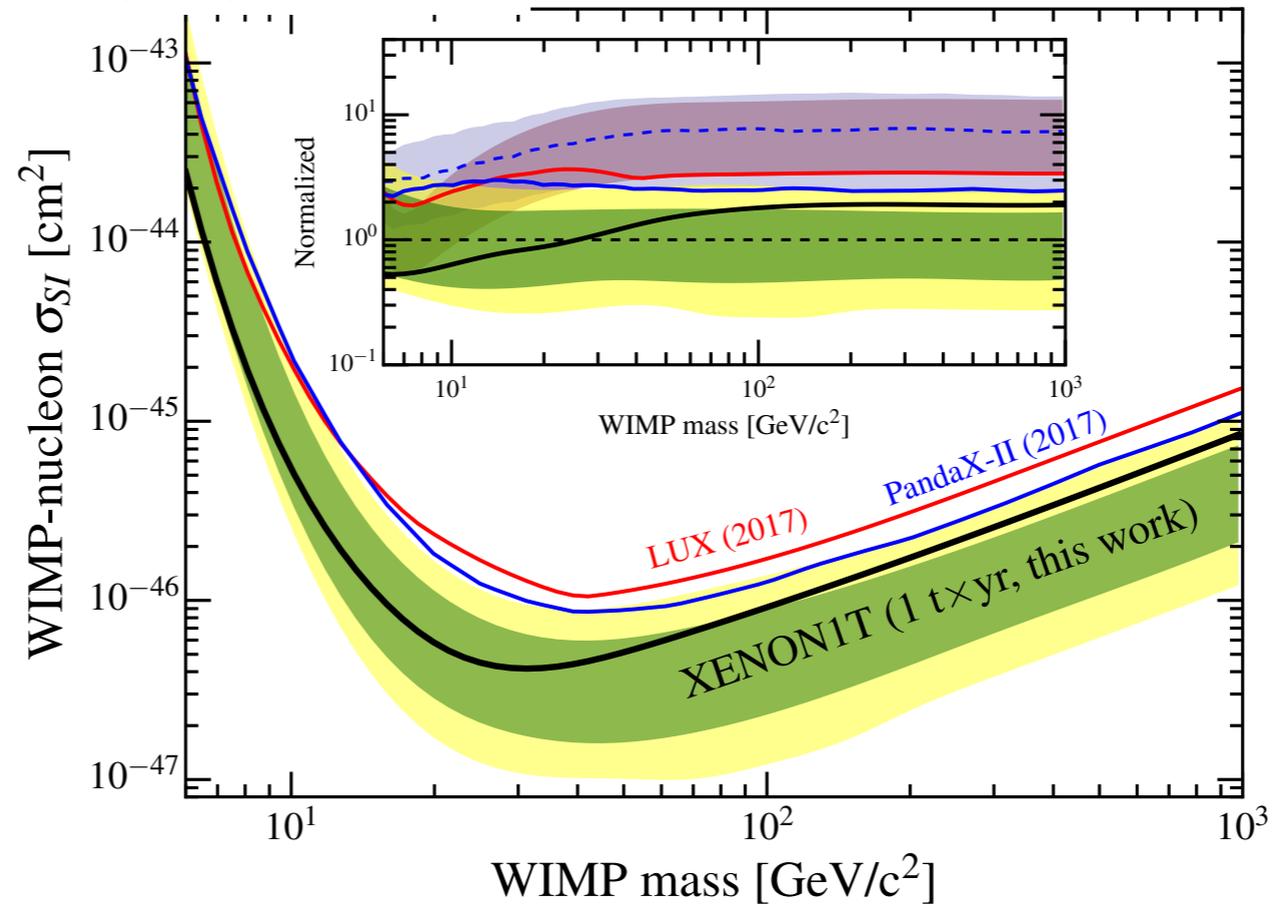
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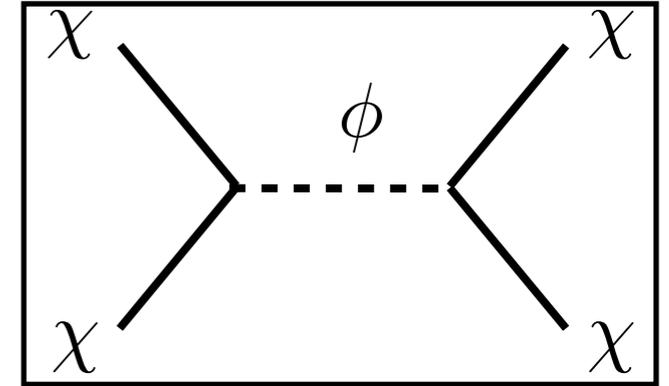
**Simple escape route for sufficient annihilation: light DM is non-Occam!
Comes with a light mediator to facilitate annihilation.**

[Boehm, Fayet (2003)]

Consequences of a light mediator for annihilation

- 1) Potentially sizable self-interactions.**
- 2) Distinct experimental search strategies.**

Small-scale structure problems?



- To get rid of cold cores, bring them in contact with hotter components of the halo via **self-scattering**. (Spergel & Steinhardt, PRL 2000, +100s more papers).
- DM-DM scattering. Required cross section is

$$\sigma \sim 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2 \left(\frac{m_X}{1 \text{ GeV}} \right)$$

- Needs a $\lesssim 10 \text{ MeV}$ force carrier for large DM self-interactions.

See also Loeb, Weiner (2010); Tulin, Yu, Zurek (2013).

**How does the requisite
annihilation occur?**

Secluded DM

Dark (Hidden) ((Secluded)) Sector Models

[Batell, Pospelov, Ritz (2009)]

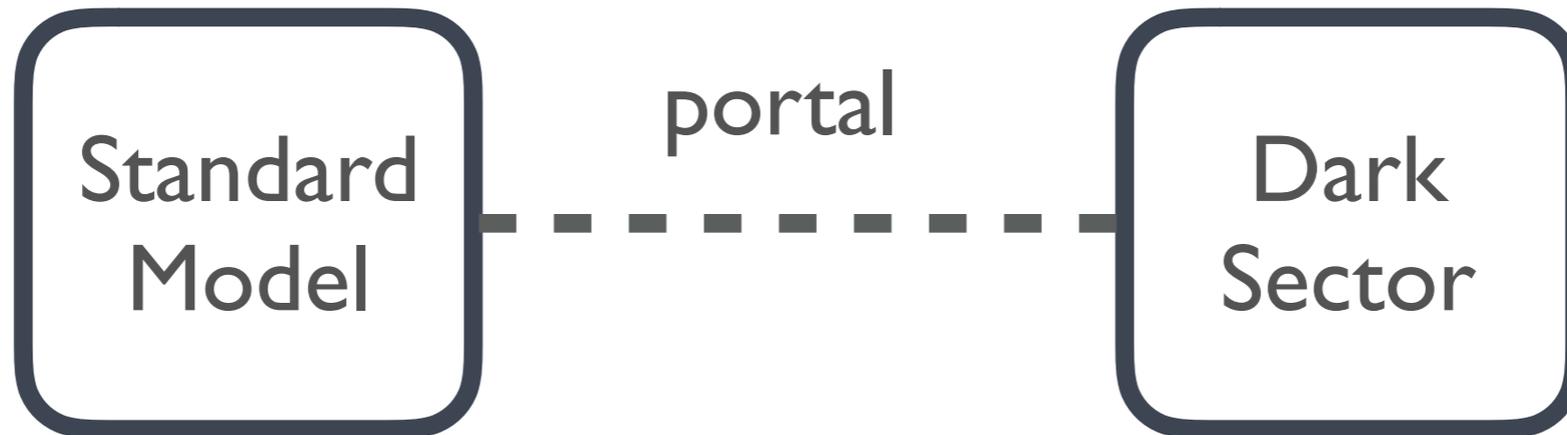
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Only 3 renormalizable portals!

Photon Portal DM

[Holdom 1986; Batell, Pospelov, Ritz, 0906.5614]

$$\mathcal{L}_{V,\chi} = |D_\mu \chi|^2 - m_\chi^2 |\chi|^2 - \frac{1}{4} V_{\mu\nu}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_V^2 V_\mu^2 + \epsilon V_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \dots$$
$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig_D V_\mu, \quad g_D = \sqrt{4\pi\alpha_D}$$

4 parameters: $m_\chi, m_V, \epsilon, \alpha_D$

- For **scalar DM**, annihilation to SM particles is velocity-dependent (p-wave).

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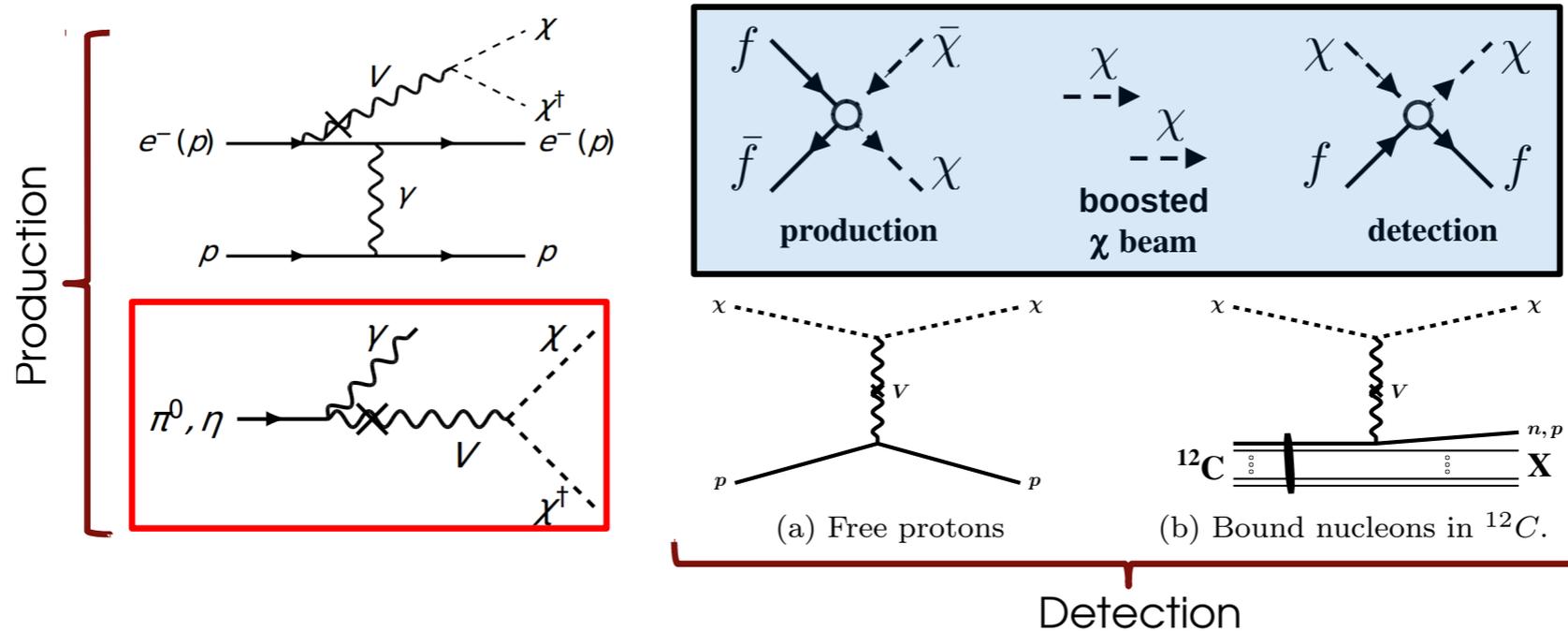


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- Simple modification with **Fermion DM** works if Asymmetric (i.e. antiparticles \ll particles).

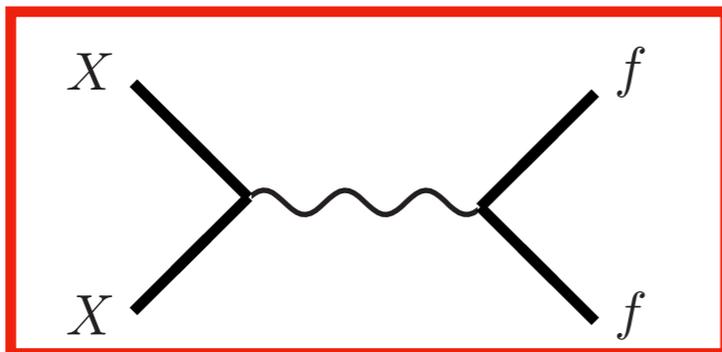
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[Batell, Pospelov, Ritz, 0906.5614,
MiniBooNE I702.02688]



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Main assumption, light mediator can decay to DM: $m_V > 2m_\chi$

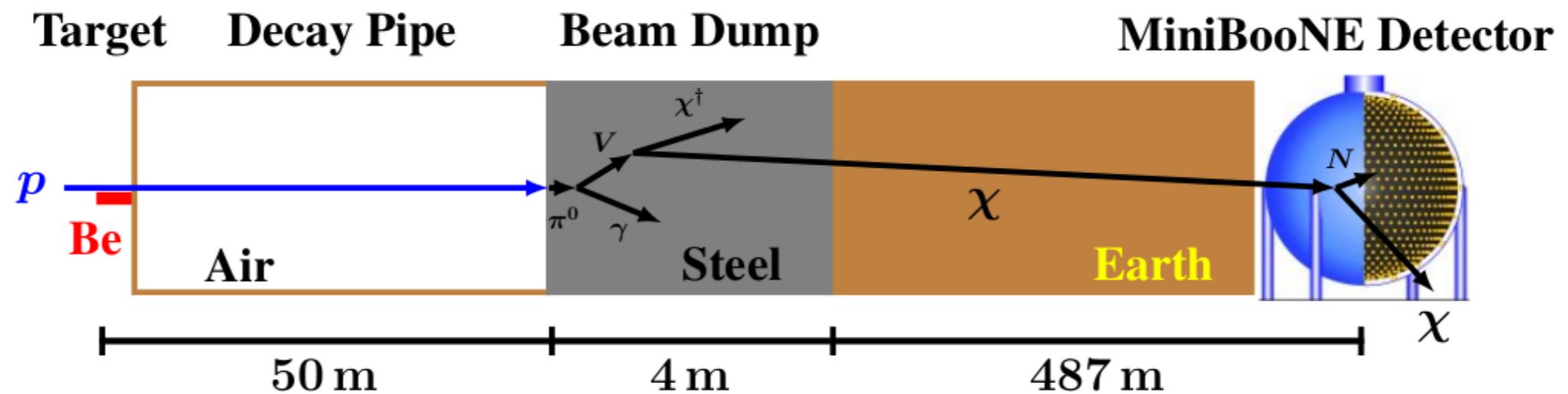


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[1702.02688]

MiniBooNE in “off-target” mode



- **Rather than reanalyze old data, this was first dedicated search of this type!**
- **Instead of impacting the Beryllium target, the 8 GeV protons are steered off-target to steel target.**
 - > **Greatly suppresses ν 's from in-flight meson decay**

MiniBooNE DM results

[1702.02688]

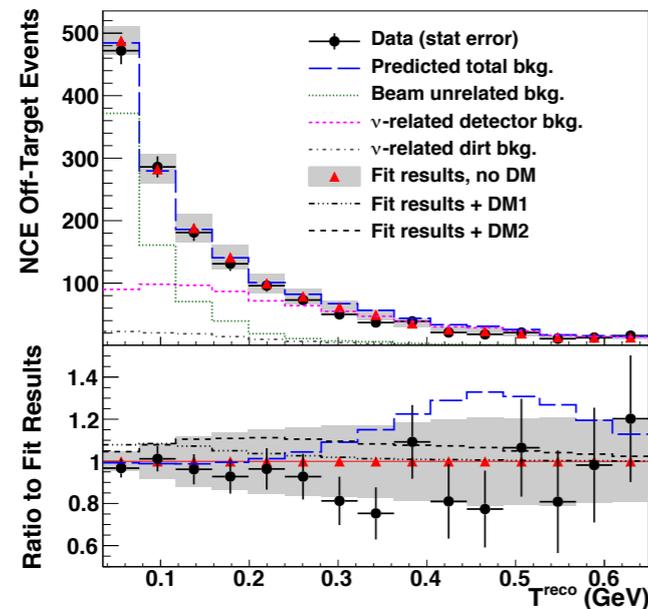
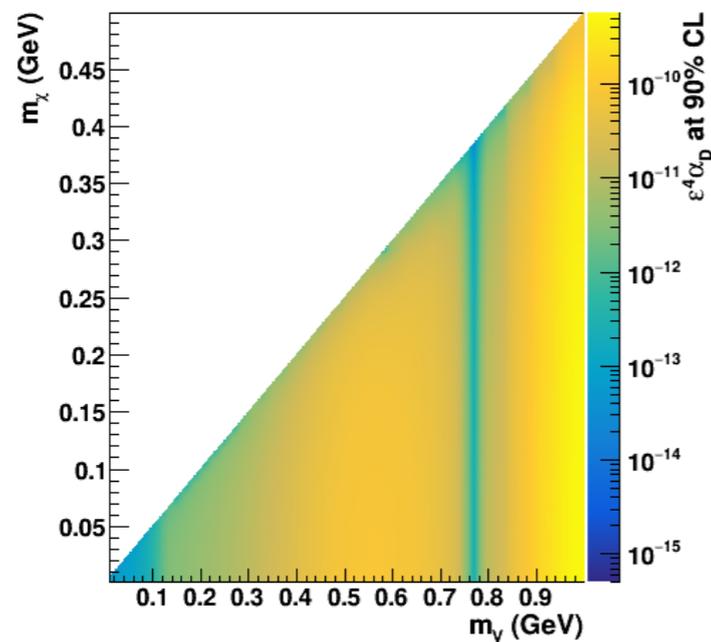


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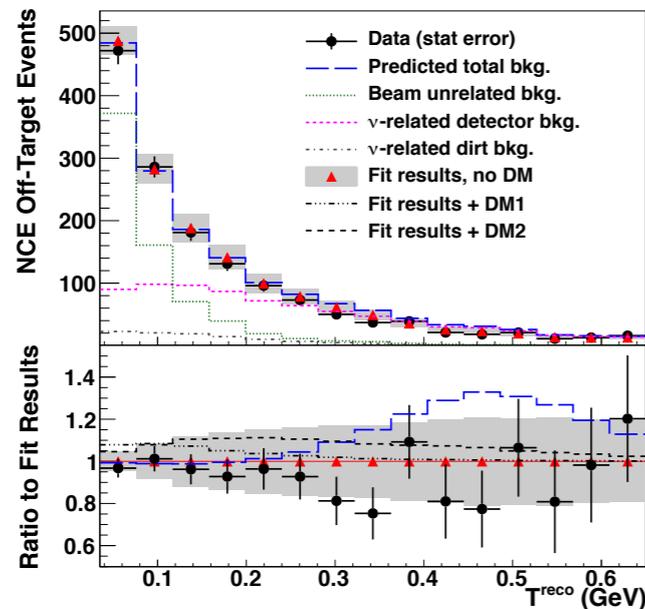
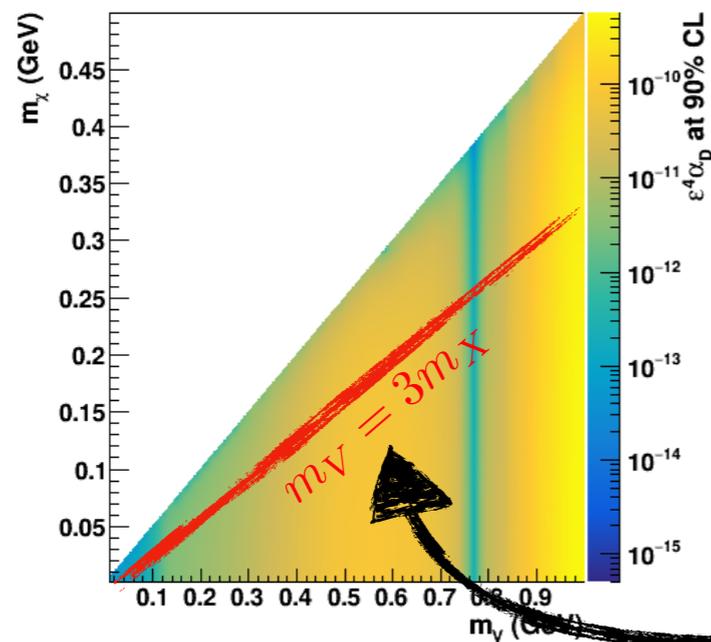


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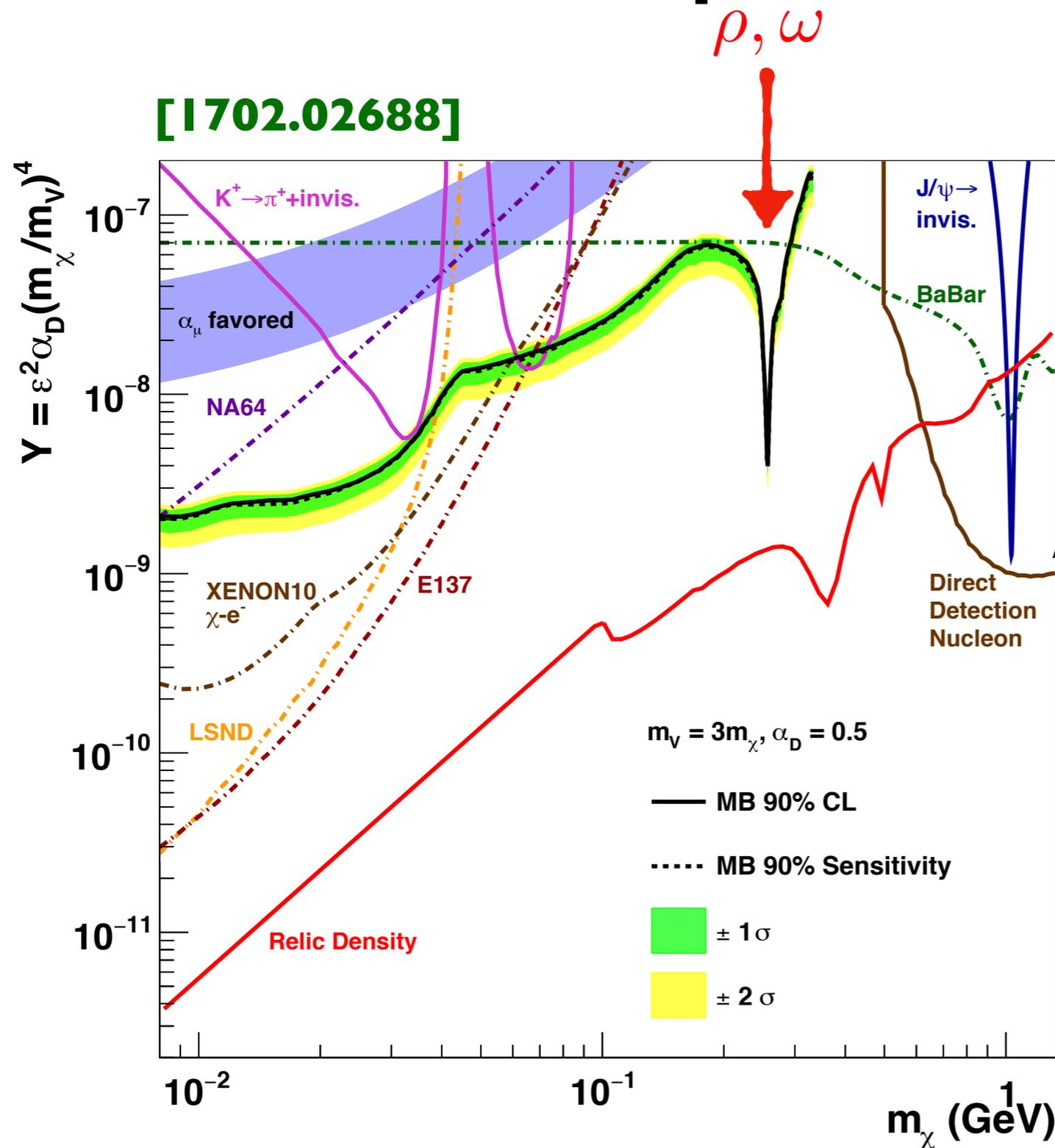
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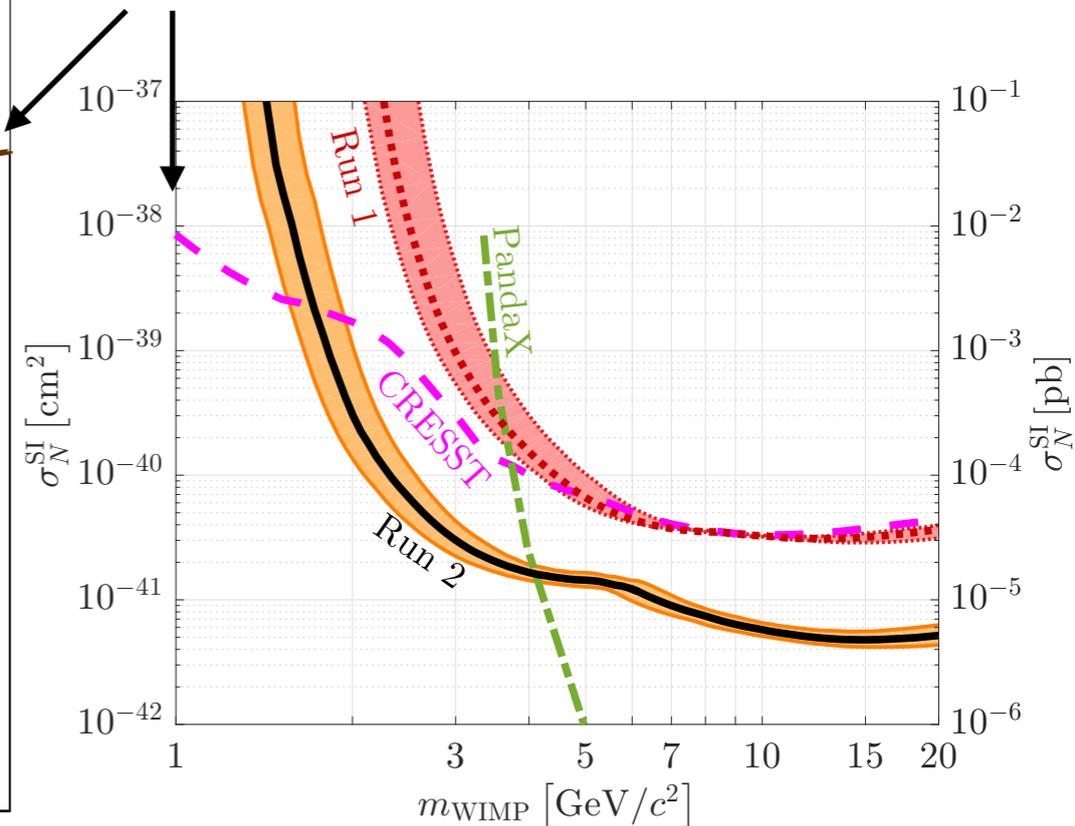
**Take a slice of
parameter space to
compare to other
searches.**

Dark Matter Search in a Proton Beam Dump with MiniBooNE



Success at extending cross section bounds to sub-GeV regime.

join here



Future improvements

Timing cuts: DM is slower than neutrinos

Timing cut (nsec)	Background Reduction (%)	WIMP Velocity β	WIMP Mass (MeV)
3.0	90	0.9984	85
4.6	99	0.9974	108
5.9	99.9	0.9967	122

Table 3: WIMP velocity for various WIMP masses, assuming a WIMP momentum of 1.5 GeV. Also shown are the timing delay (cut) and background reduction levels achieved for a specific WIMP velocity.

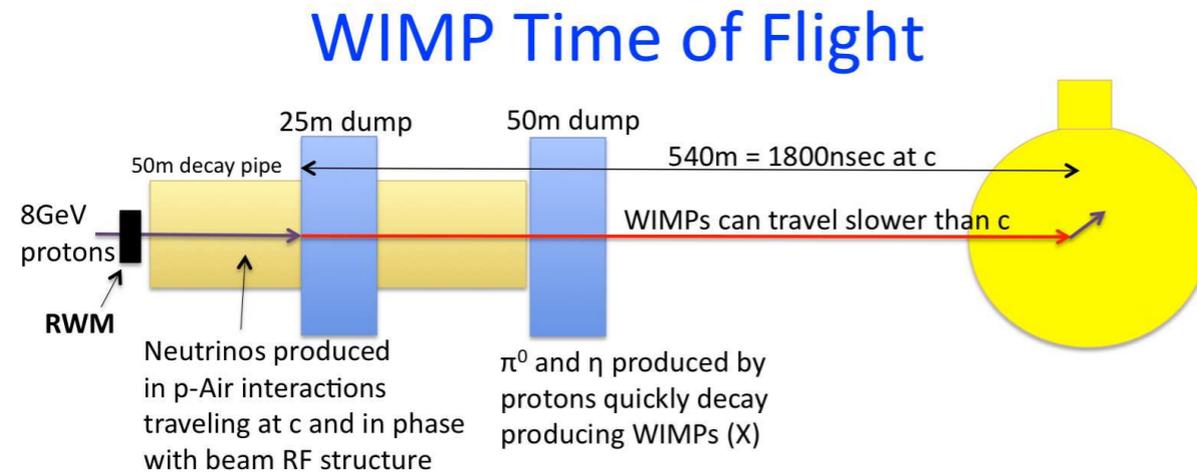
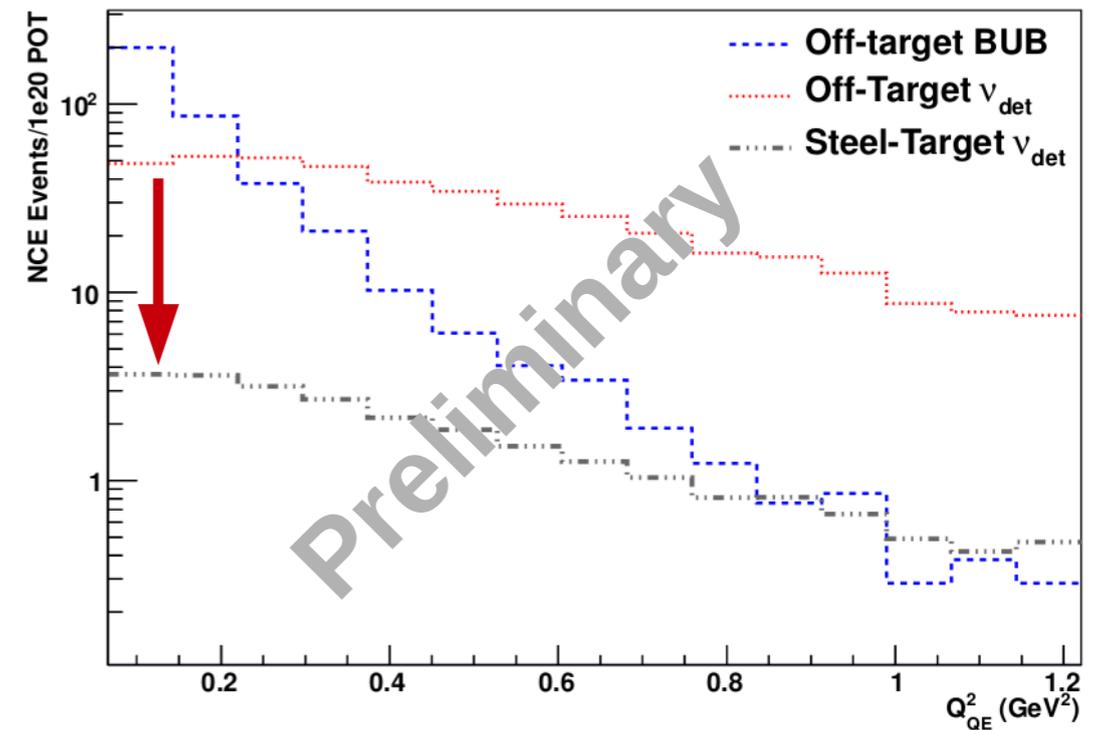


Figure 11: Simple timing drawing showing the production and reconstruction of events.

[1211.2258]

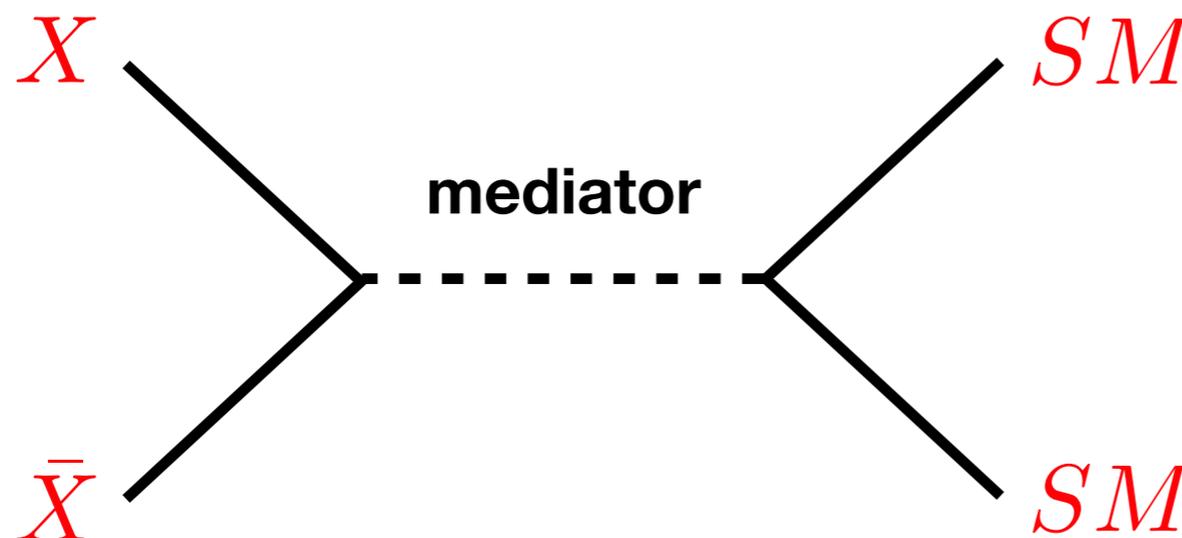
Dedicated steel beam dump



[Alexis A. AguilarArévalo
TAUP 2017 talk]

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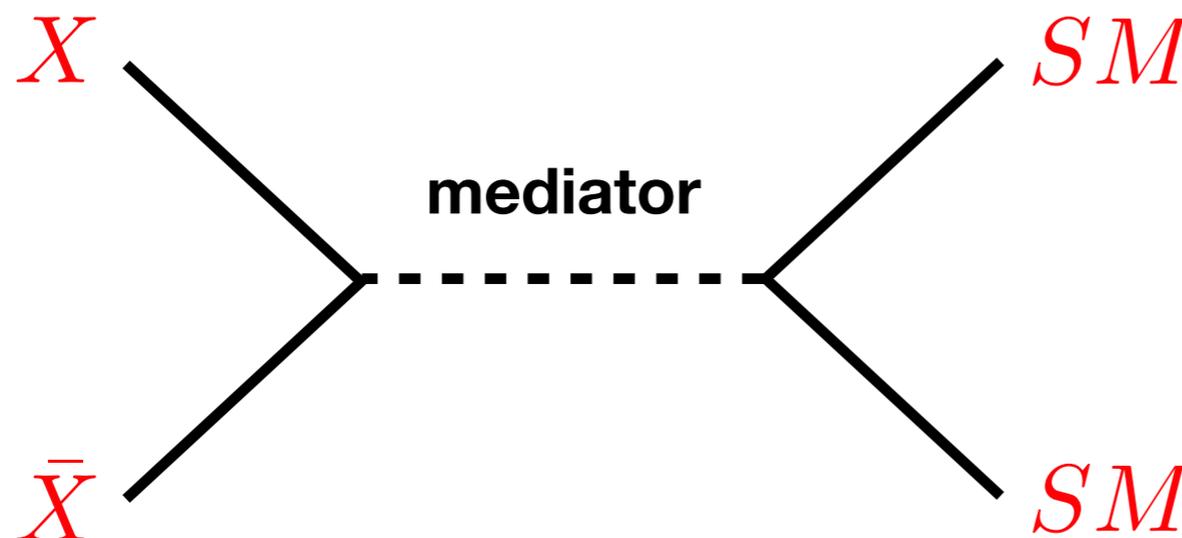


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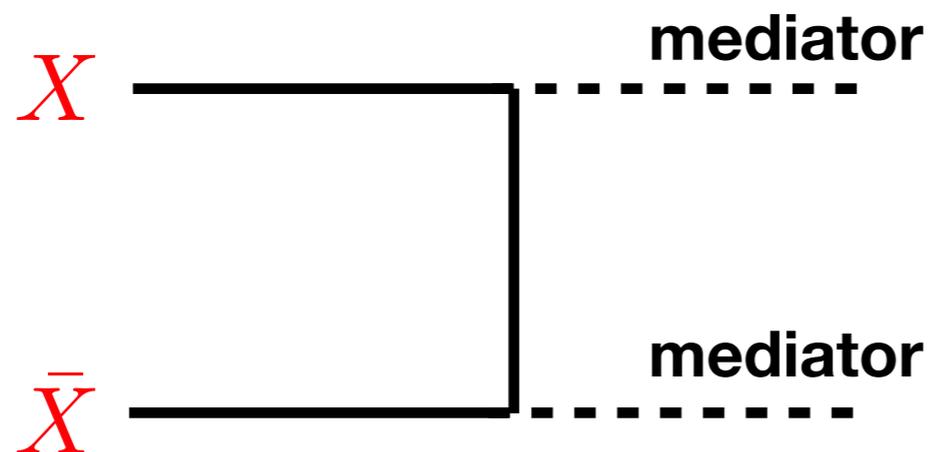
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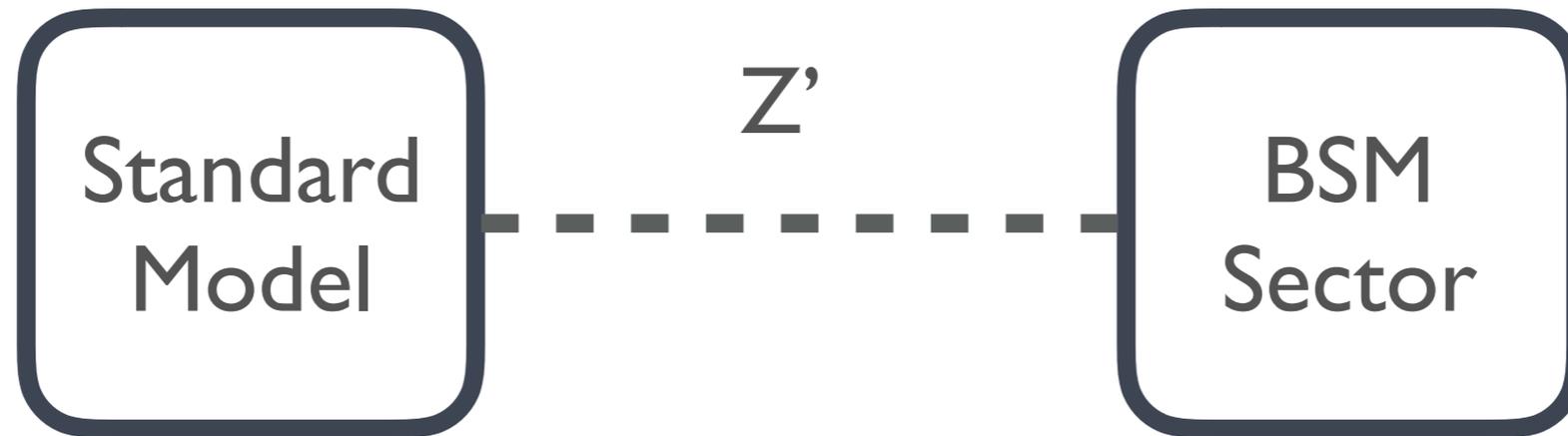
$$\sim g_X^4$$

- Need a DM collider...
- SM coupling has no target

Beyond Dark Photons

Gauged Baryon Number $U(1)_B$

[Rajpoot (1989), Foot, Joshi, Lew (1989), ...Carone, Murayama (1995), Perez, Wise (2010), ...Graesser, Shoemaker, Vecchi (2011), Batell, deNiverville, McKeen, Pospelov, Ritz (2014), Dobrescu, Frugiuele (2014), Coloma, Dobrescu, Frugiuele, Harnik (2014)]



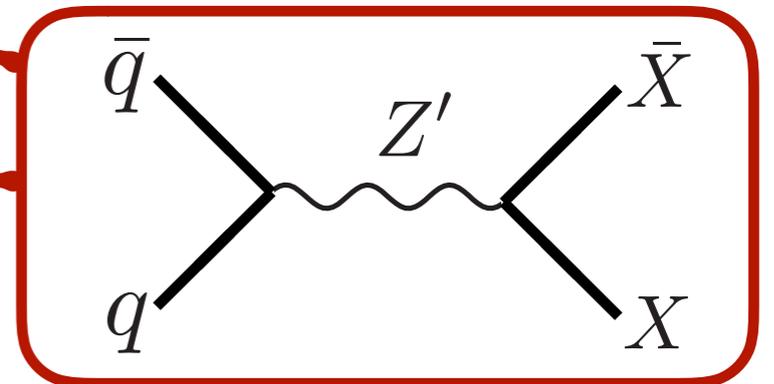
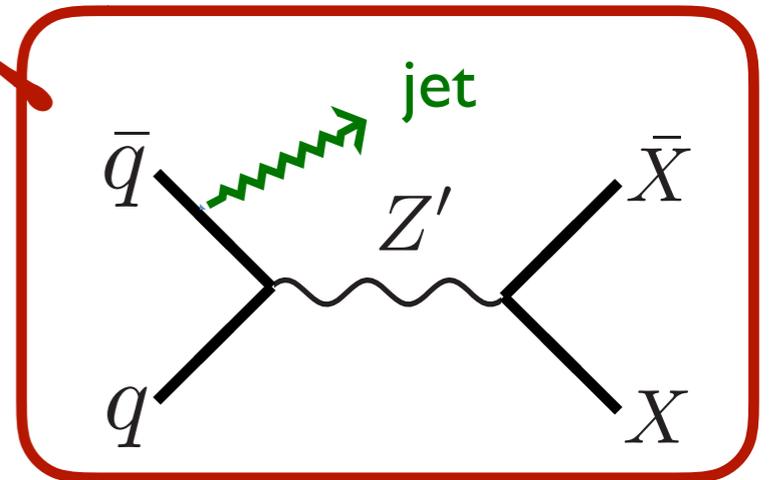
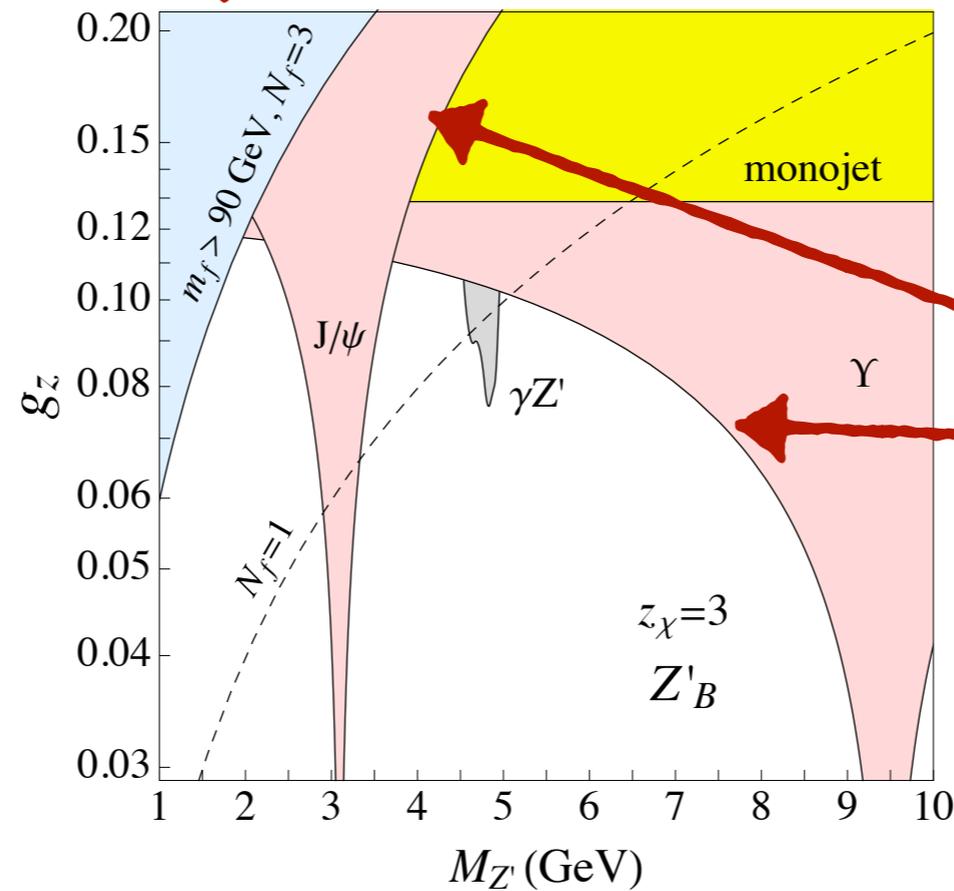
gauge coupling $\mathcal{L}_q = \frac{g_z}{2} Z'_\mu \left(\frac{1}{3} \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q + z_\chi \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \right)$ **DM's $U(1)_B$ charge**

Existing Bounds

[Graesser , Shoemaker, Vecchi 1410.1566]

[Dobrescu , Frugiuele, 1410.1566]

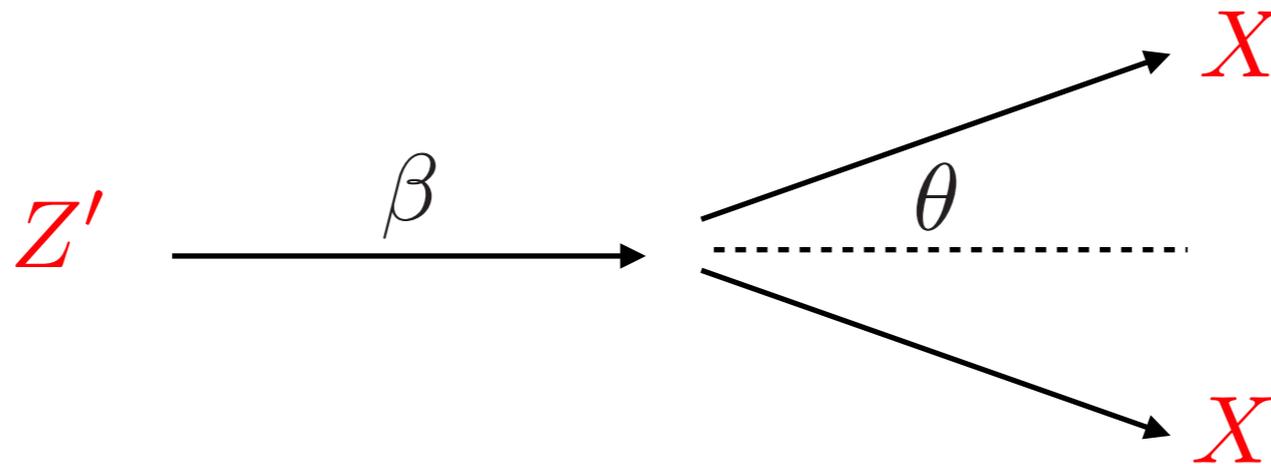
anomalies



Dark Kinematics

[Coloma, Dobrescu, Frugiuele, Harnik, 1512.03852,]

- Consider a Z' produced in the target with a given energy.



- Two-body kinematics dictates the DM energy (neglect small DM mass):

$$E_\chi = \frac{M_{Z'}^2}{2E_{Z'}(1 - \beta \cos \theta)} \quad \mathbf{Z' \text{ dist. very forward peaked}}$$

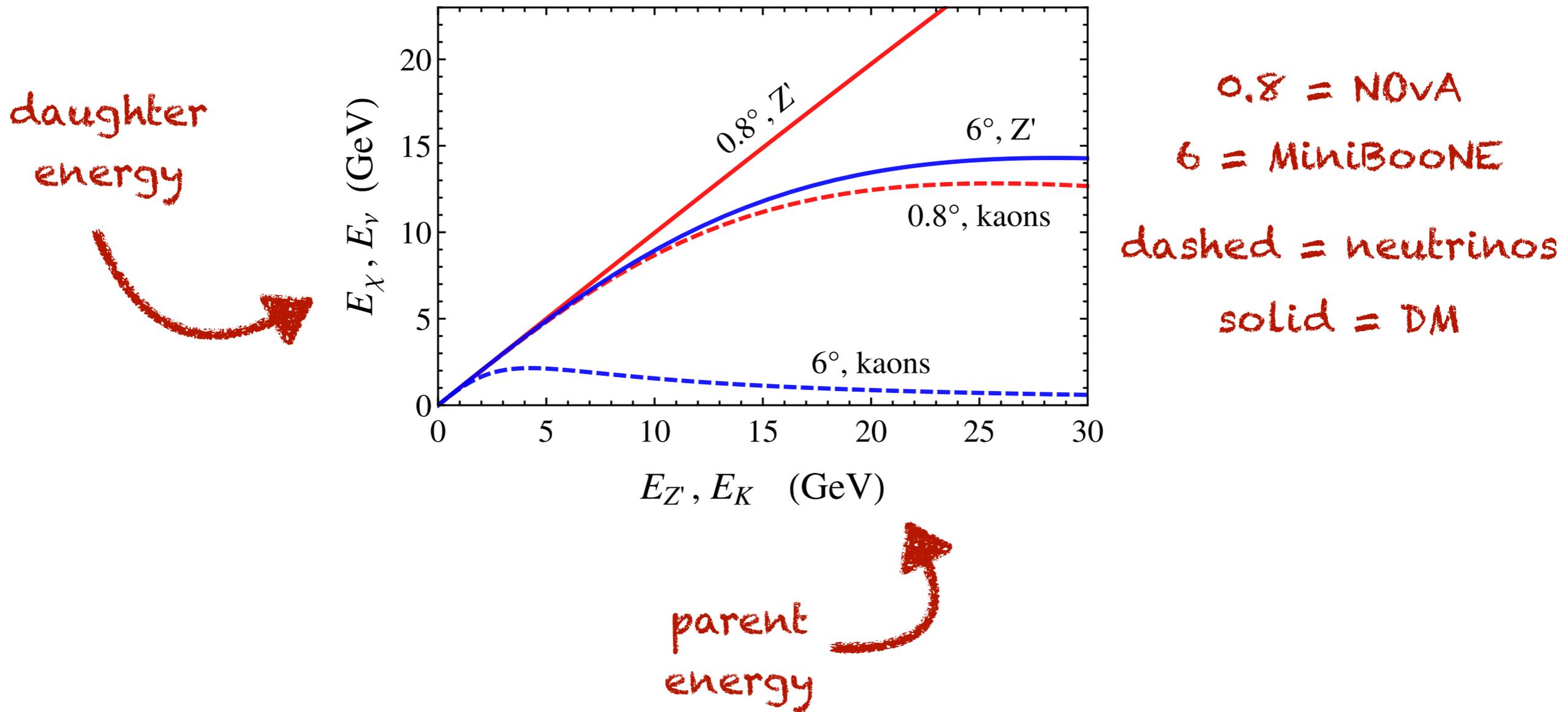
- Similar expression for neutrino bkg. but with $Z' \rightarrow$ Meson parent.

For pion parents: hard to get high energy & large angles.

=>For > 2 degree off-axis almost no pions!

Z' vs. Kaons

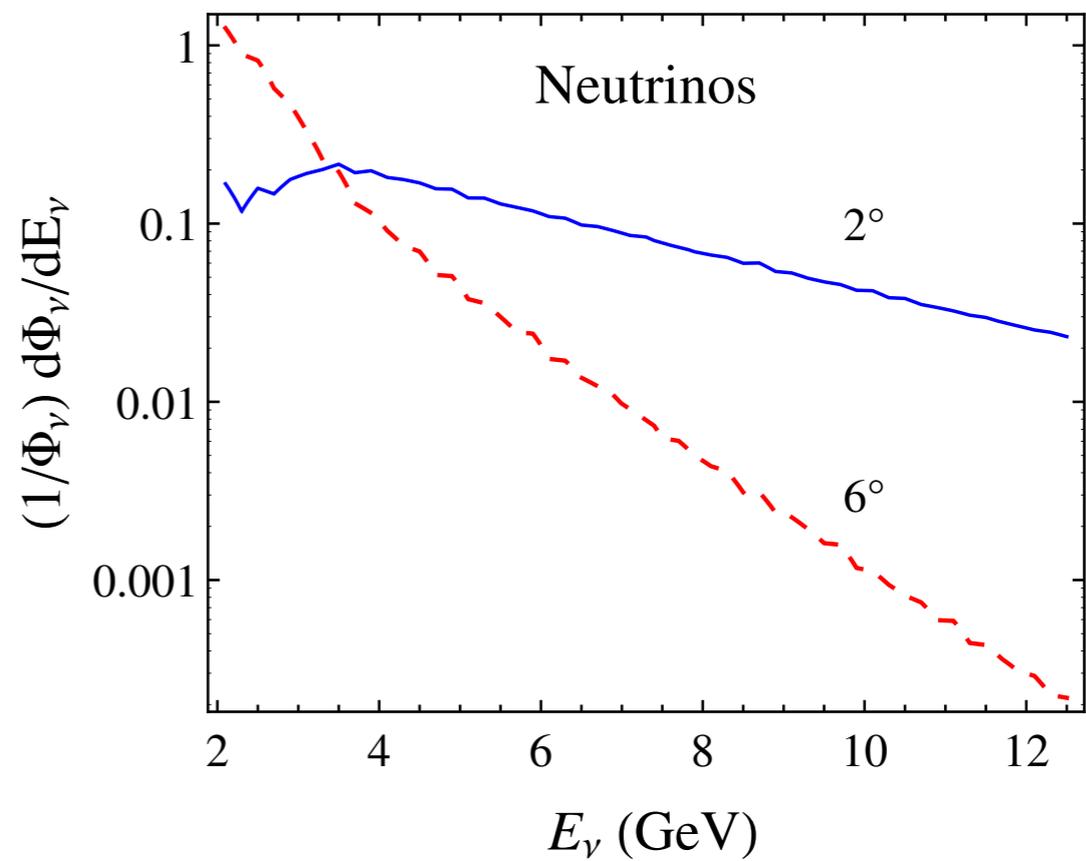
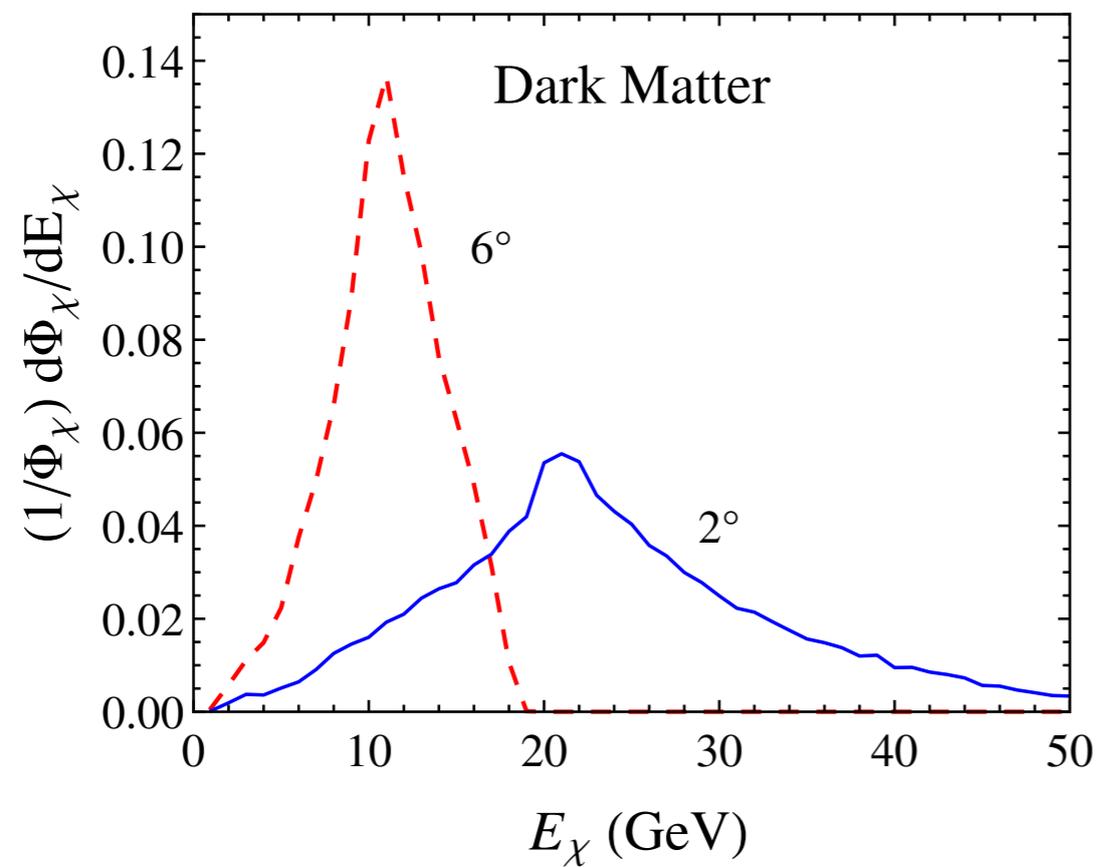
[Coloma, Dobrescu, Frugiuele, Harnik, 1512.03852,]



It pays to go a few degrees off-axis.

Differential Fluxes

[Coloma, Dobrescu, Frugiuele, Harnik, 1512.03852,]



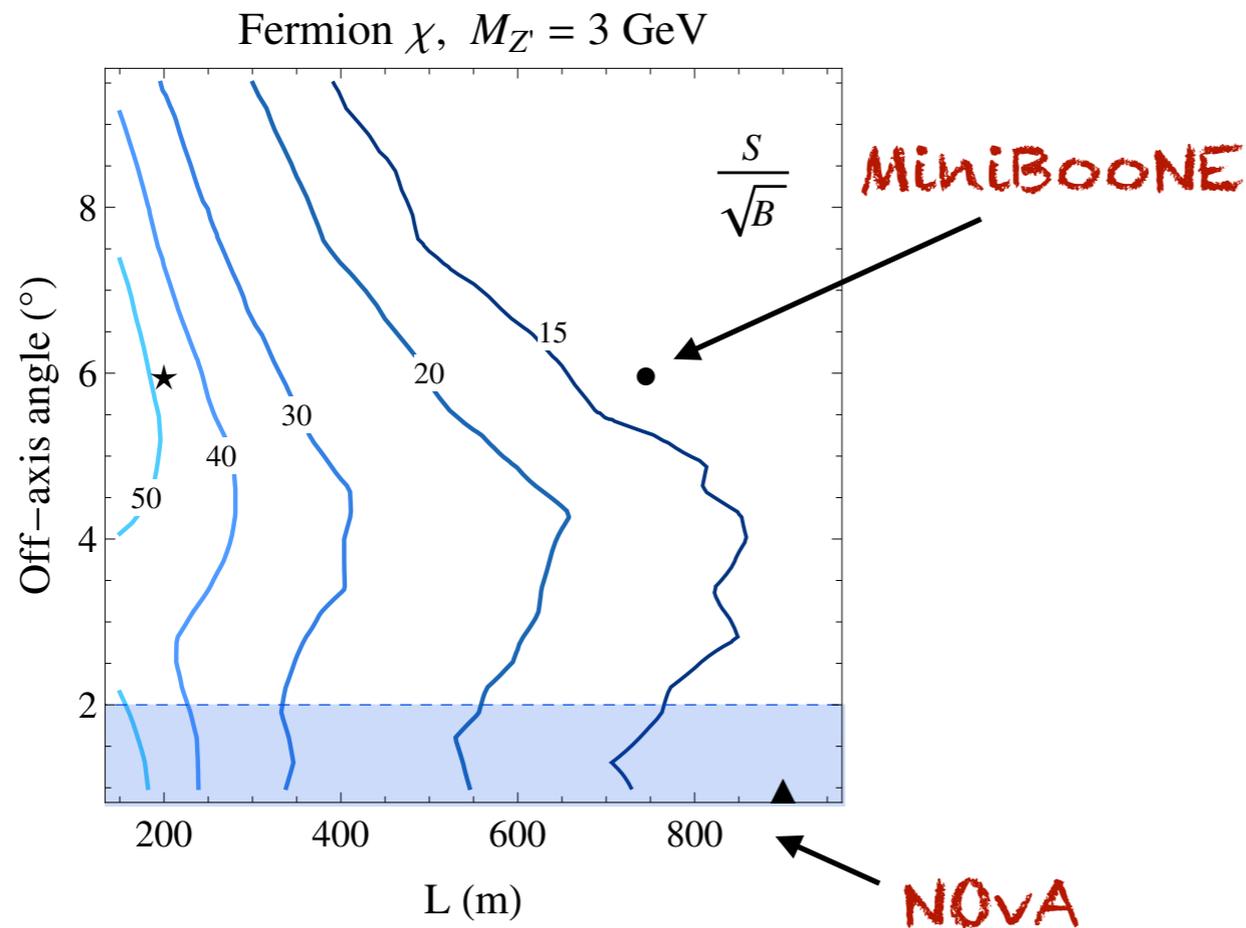
Difference in kaon/Z' mass offers a good handle for distinguishing DM/neutrinos.

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[Coloma, Dobrescu, Frugiuele, Harnik, 1512.03852]

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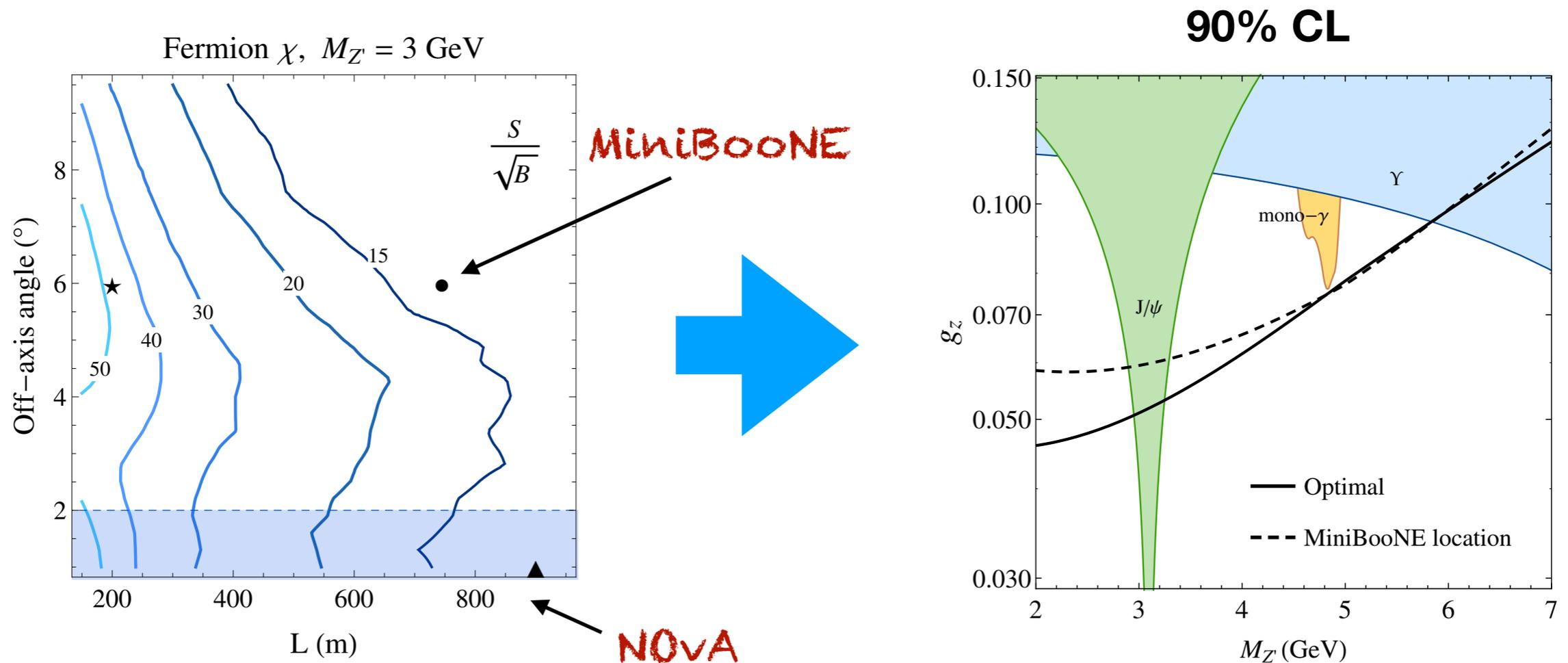


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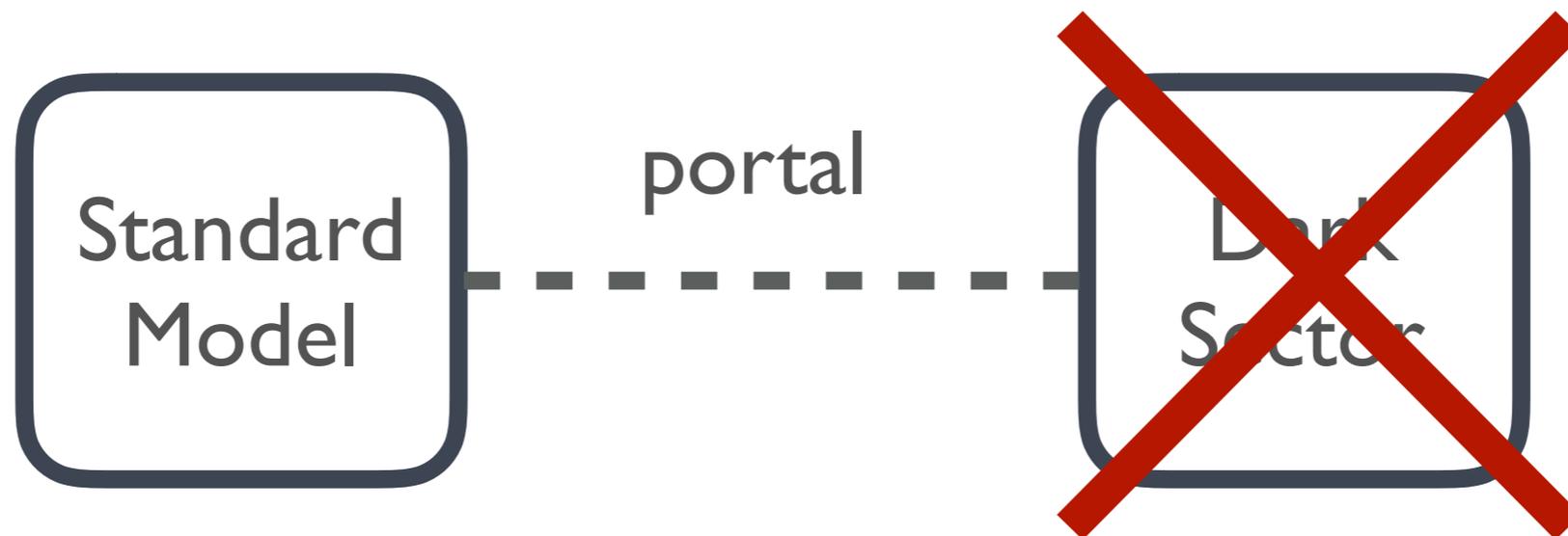
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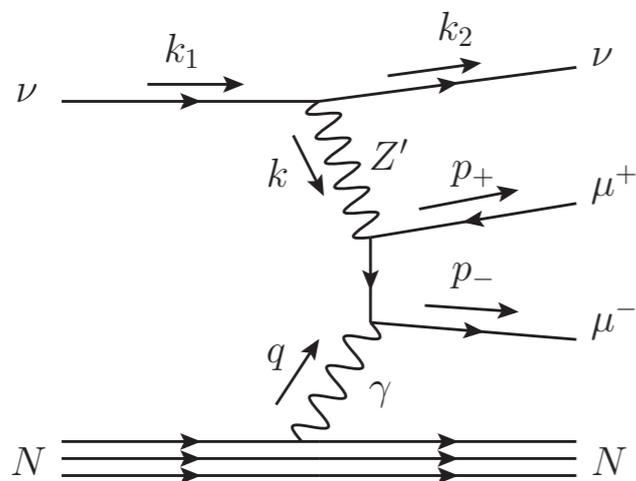


Gauged Lepton Numbers

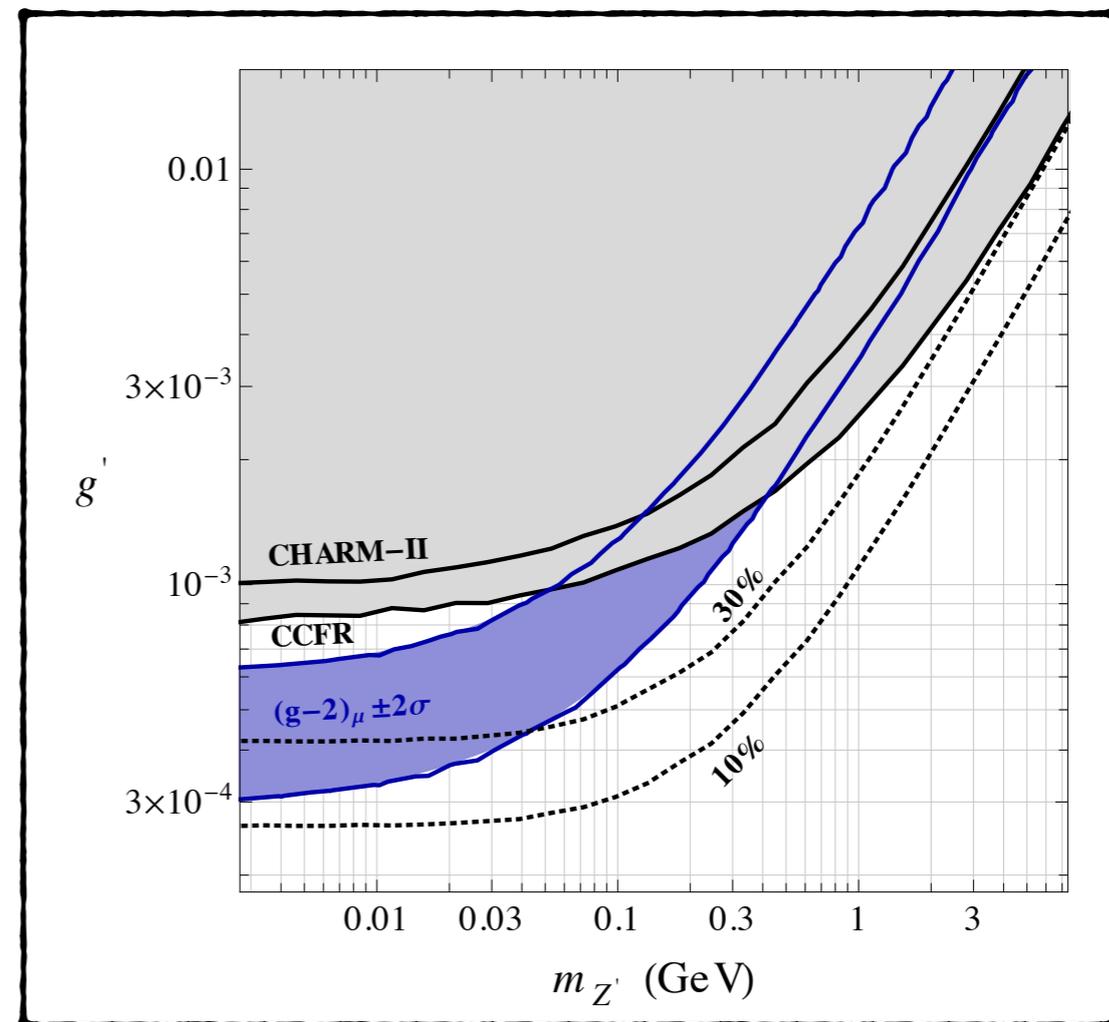
[Altmannshofer, Gori, Pospelov, Yavin, 1406.2332]

Promote a global symmetry to a gauge symmetry
=> SM fields charged under a new force!

$$U(1)_{L_\mu - L_\tau}$$



**Nu trident cross section
@ 10-30% accuracy in Ar
w/5 GeV neutrinos**



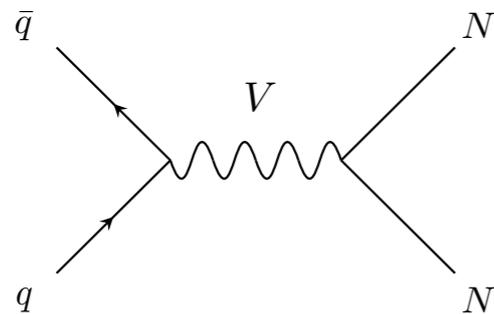
A Non-Sterile 4th Neutrino

Batell, Pospelov, Shuve [1604.06099]

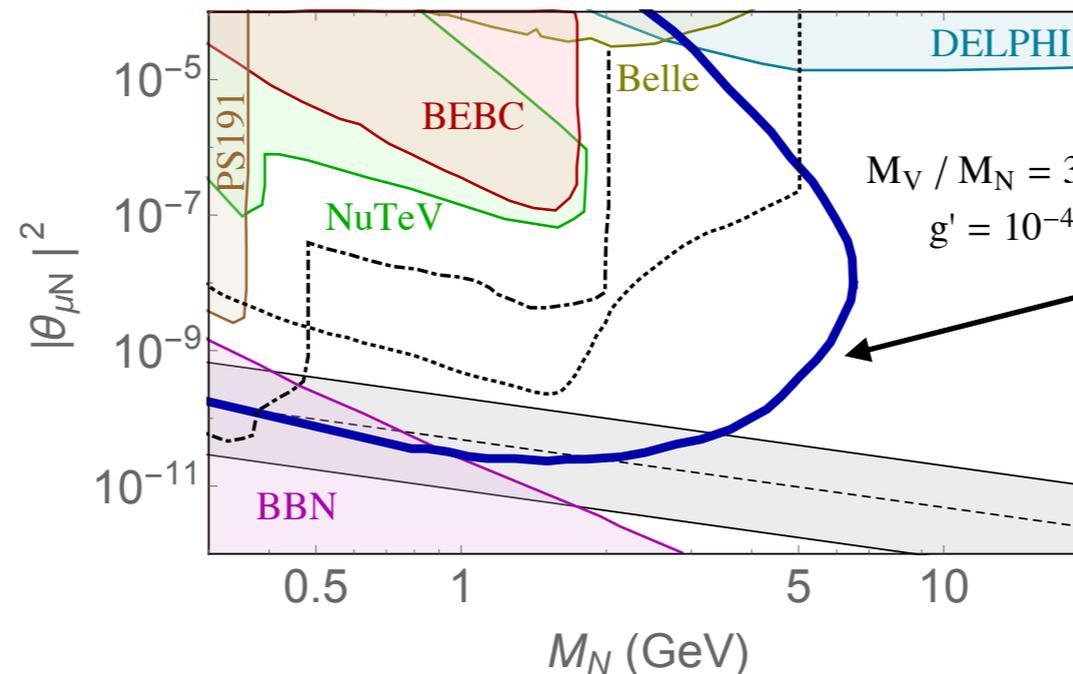
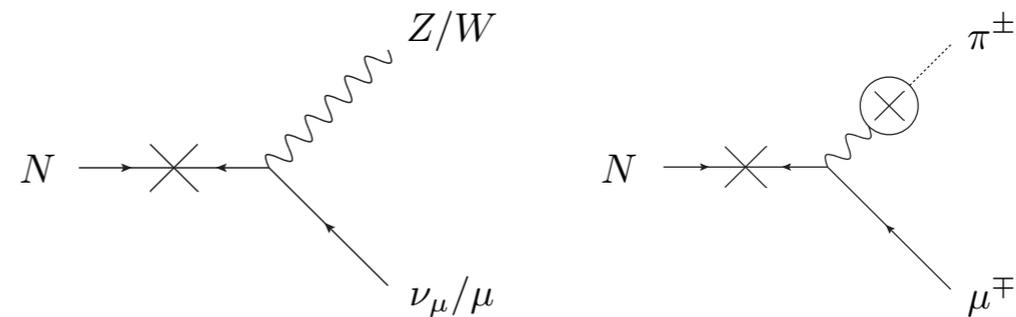
$$U(1)_{B-L}$$

- If B-L is gauged, need **3 RH neutrinos** for anomaly cancellation.
- **Go look for them!**

Production via new force



decay via EW force



SHiP sensitivity

Conclusions

- An array of interesting, well-motivated physics to search for with neutrino near detectors.
- Cast a wide net!
 - We need to simultaneously **expand the theoretical terrain** and to **widen the experimental search strategies** if we are going to uncover the **New Standard Model**.

NSI vs. NuTeV

[Coloma, Denton, Gonzalez-Garcia, Maltoni, Schwetz, 1701.04828]

NSI generalizes 4-fermion interactions:

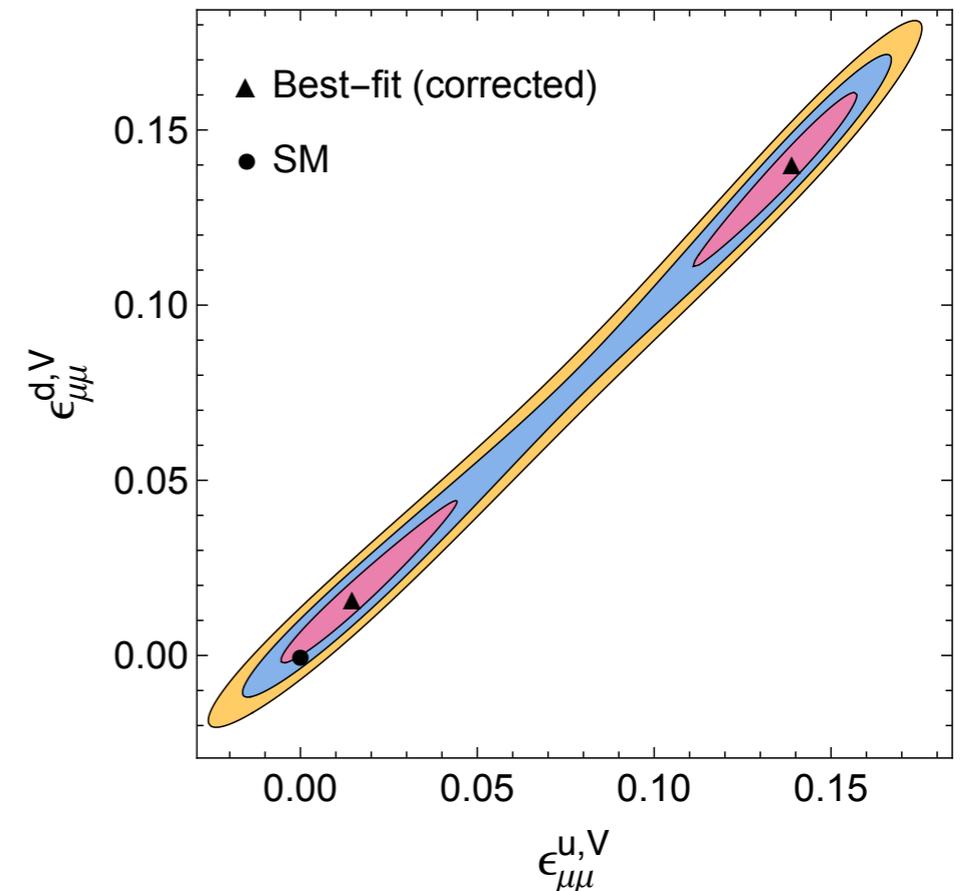
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NSI}} = -\sqrt{2}G_F\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^{fV} [\bar{\nu}_{\alpha L}\gamma^\rho\nu_{\beta L}] [\bar{f}\gamma_\rho f]$$

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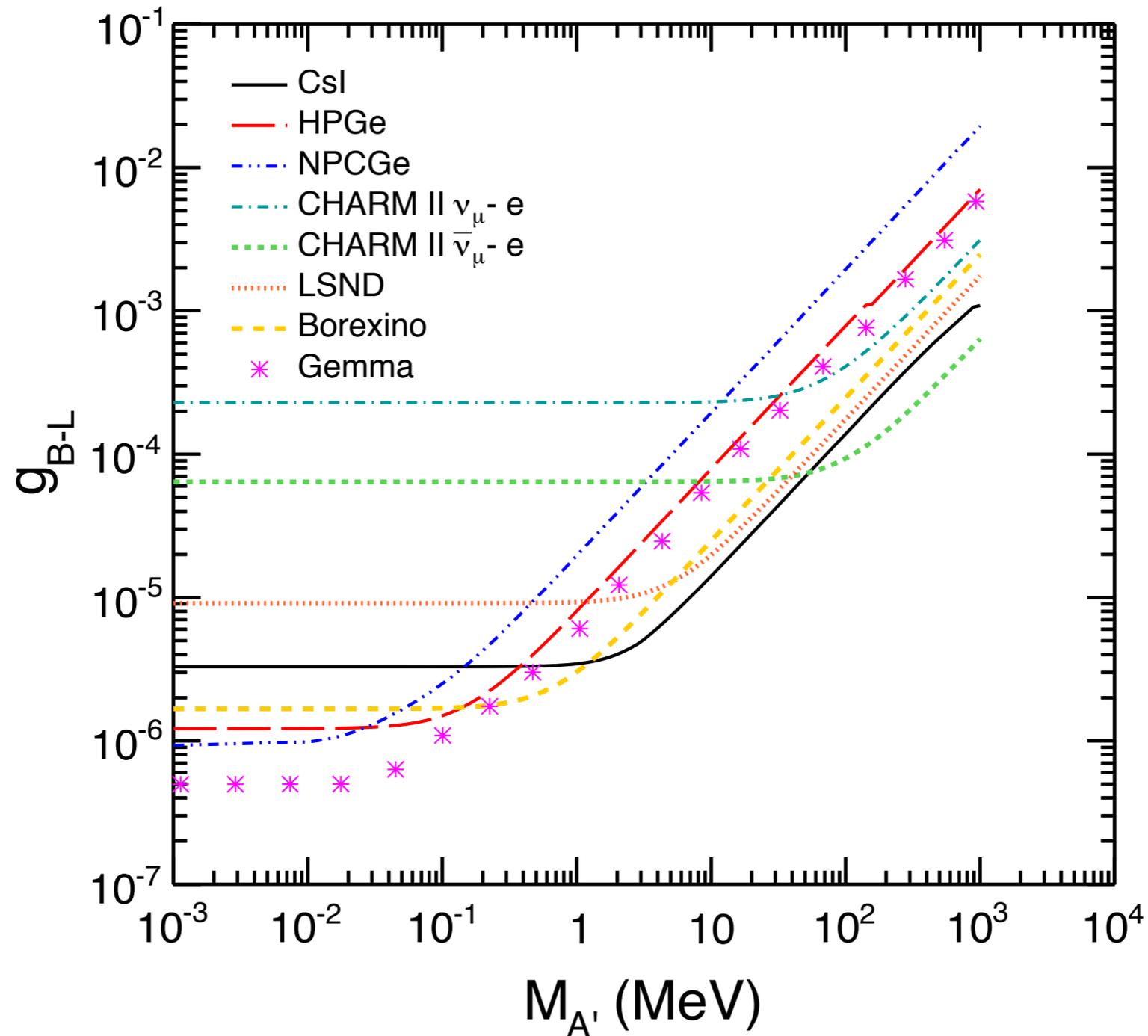
$$g_{\text{eff}}^P \equiv (\tilde{g}_\mu^P)^2 = \sum_{q=u,d} \left[(g_q^P + \epsilon_{\mu\mu}^{q,P})^2 + \sum_{\alpha \neq \mu} |\epsilon_{\mu\alpha}^{q,P}|^2 \right],$$

NuTeV



Bounds on Neutrino Scattering

$$U(1)_{B-L}$$



Existing Baryonic Z' Bounds: Monojets

