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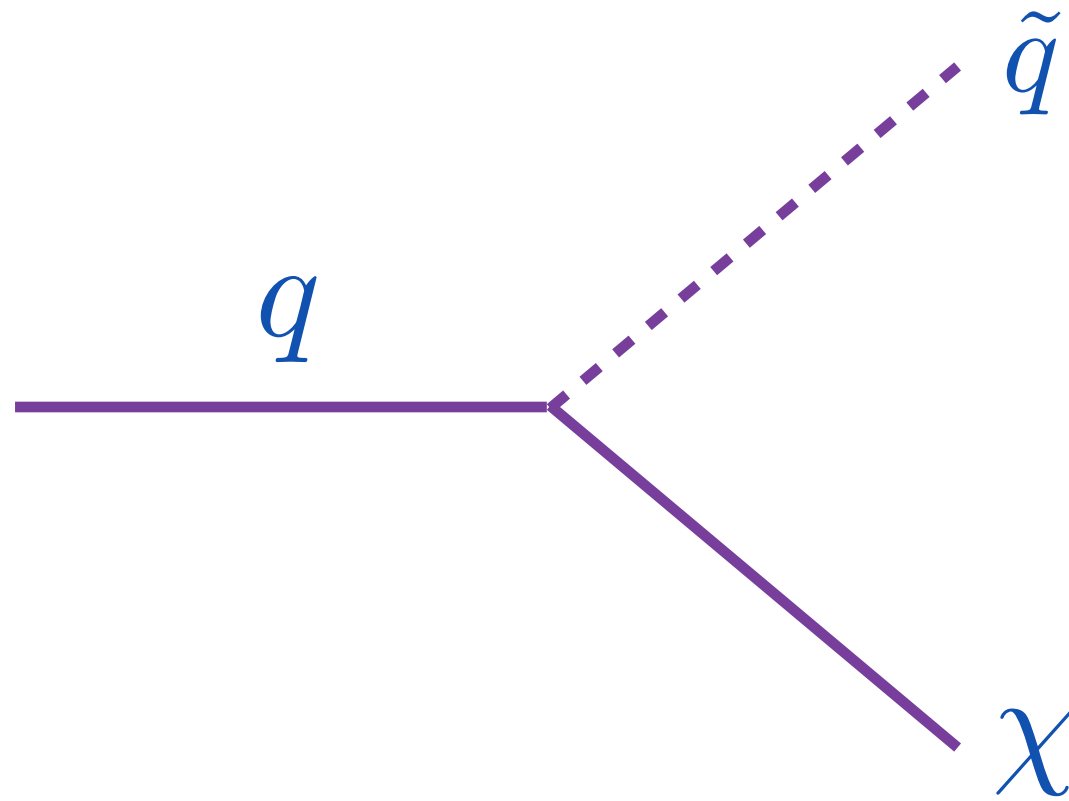
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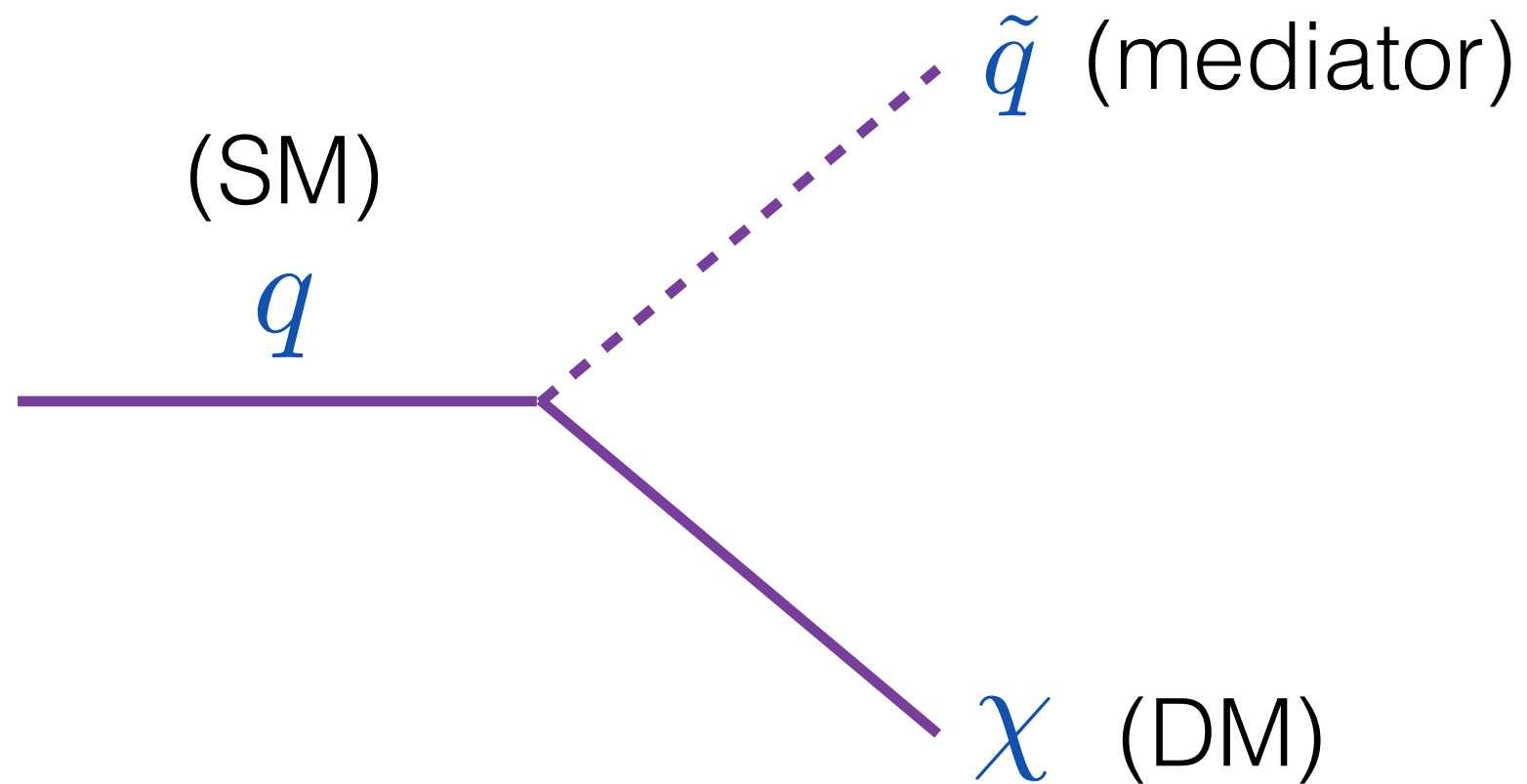
based on:

Bai, PS, 2013  
PS, Stolarski, Weiler, 2015  
Renner, PS, 2018

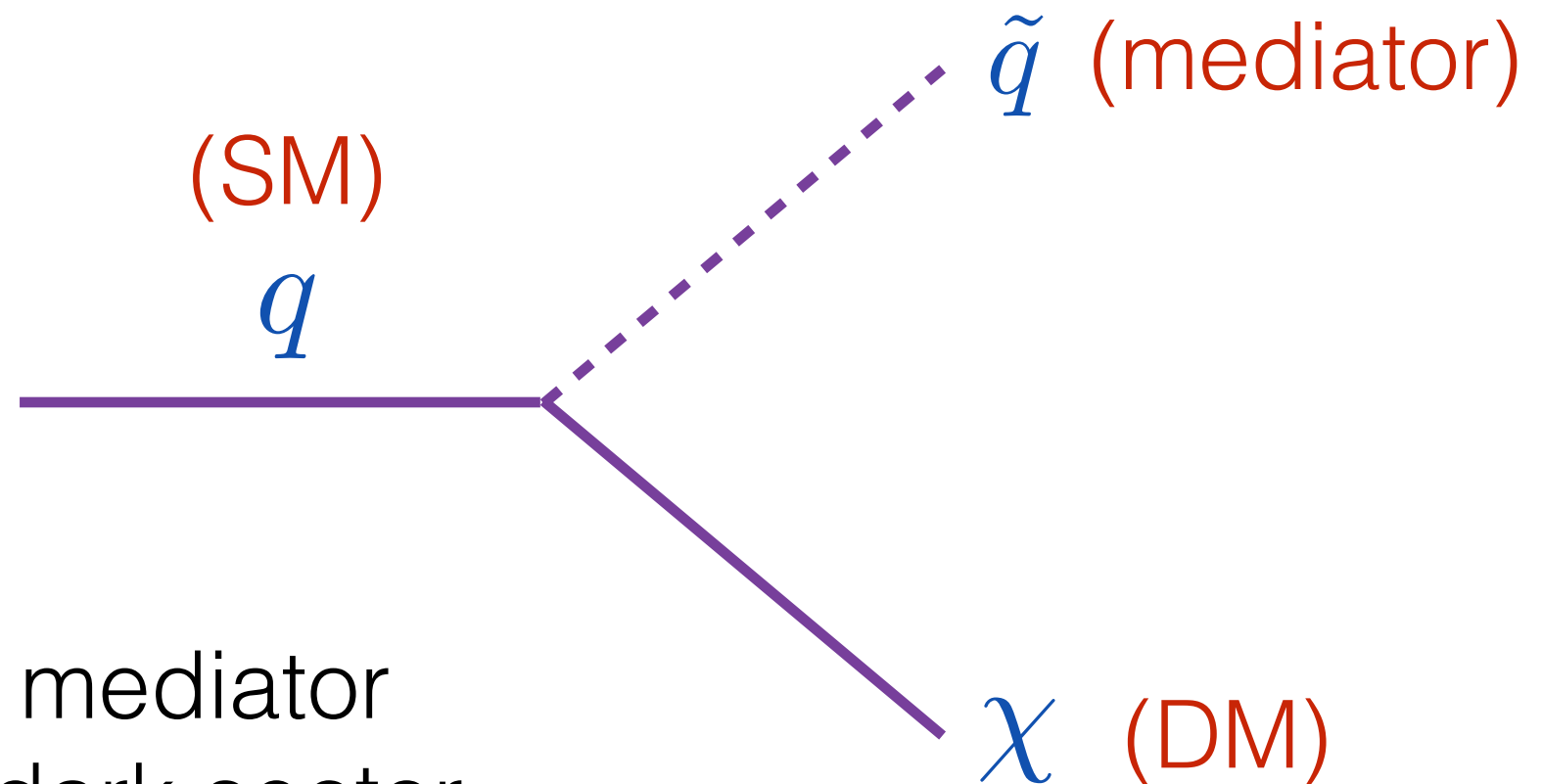
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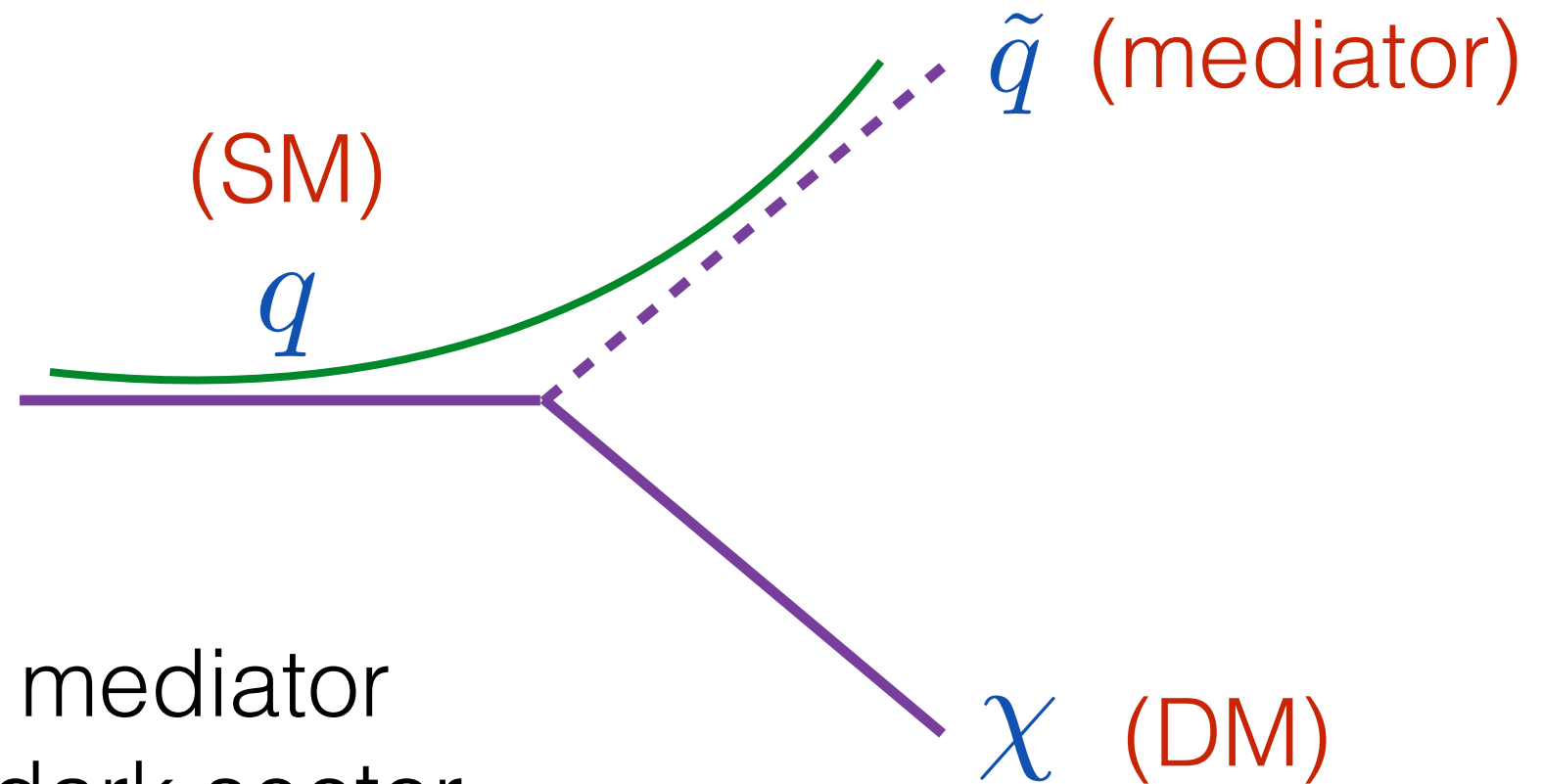
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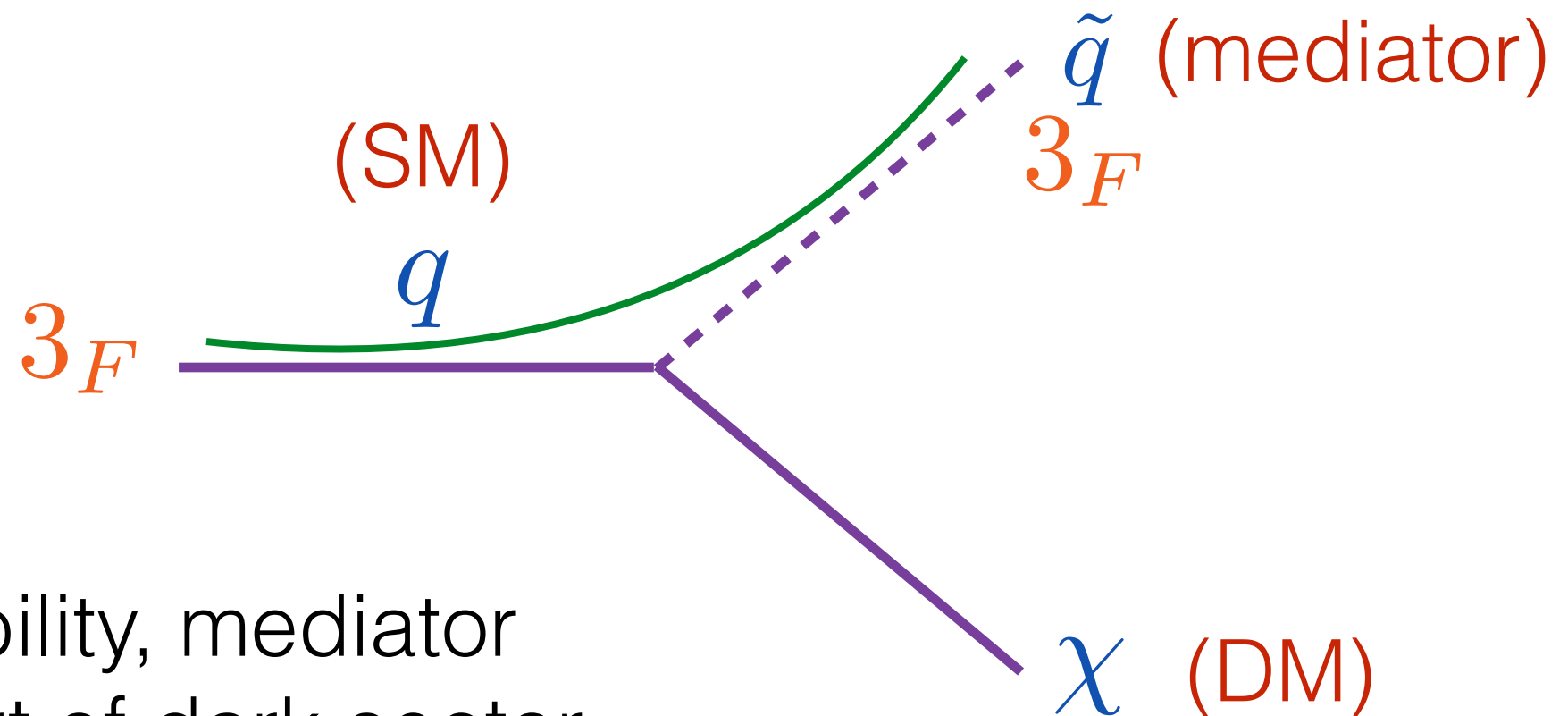


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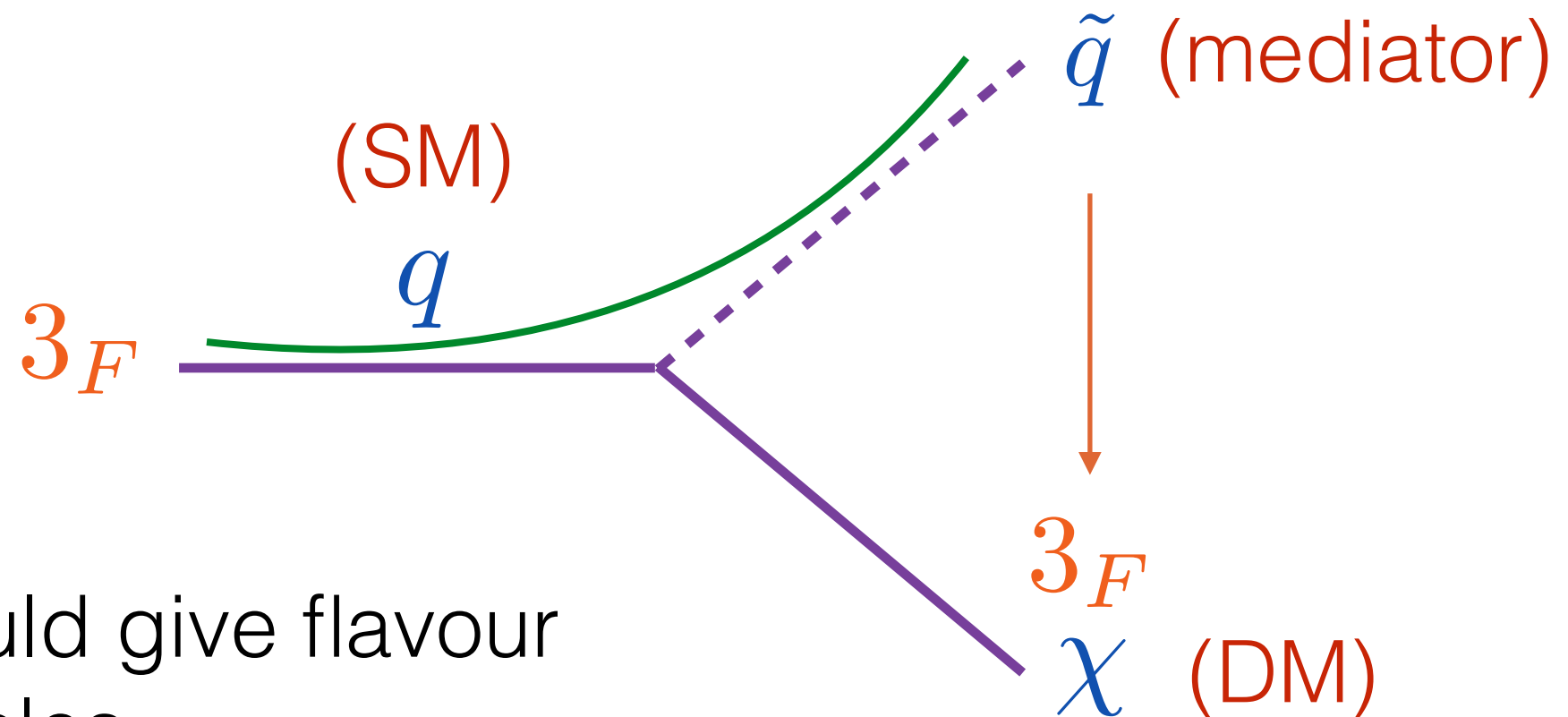
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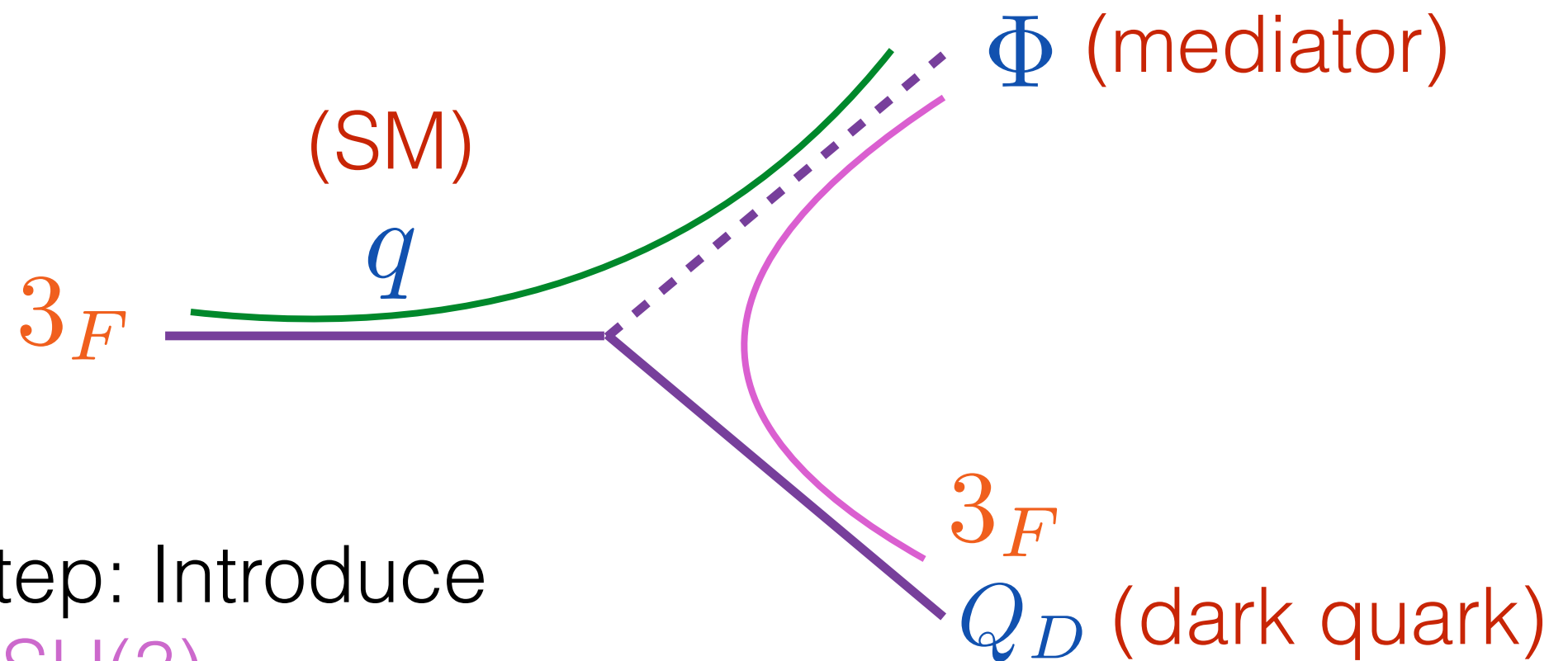
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  - Flavour

# Flavoured Dark Matter



- Instead, could give flavour to DM particles
- flavoured DM  
(Agrawal, Blachet, Chacko, Kilic)

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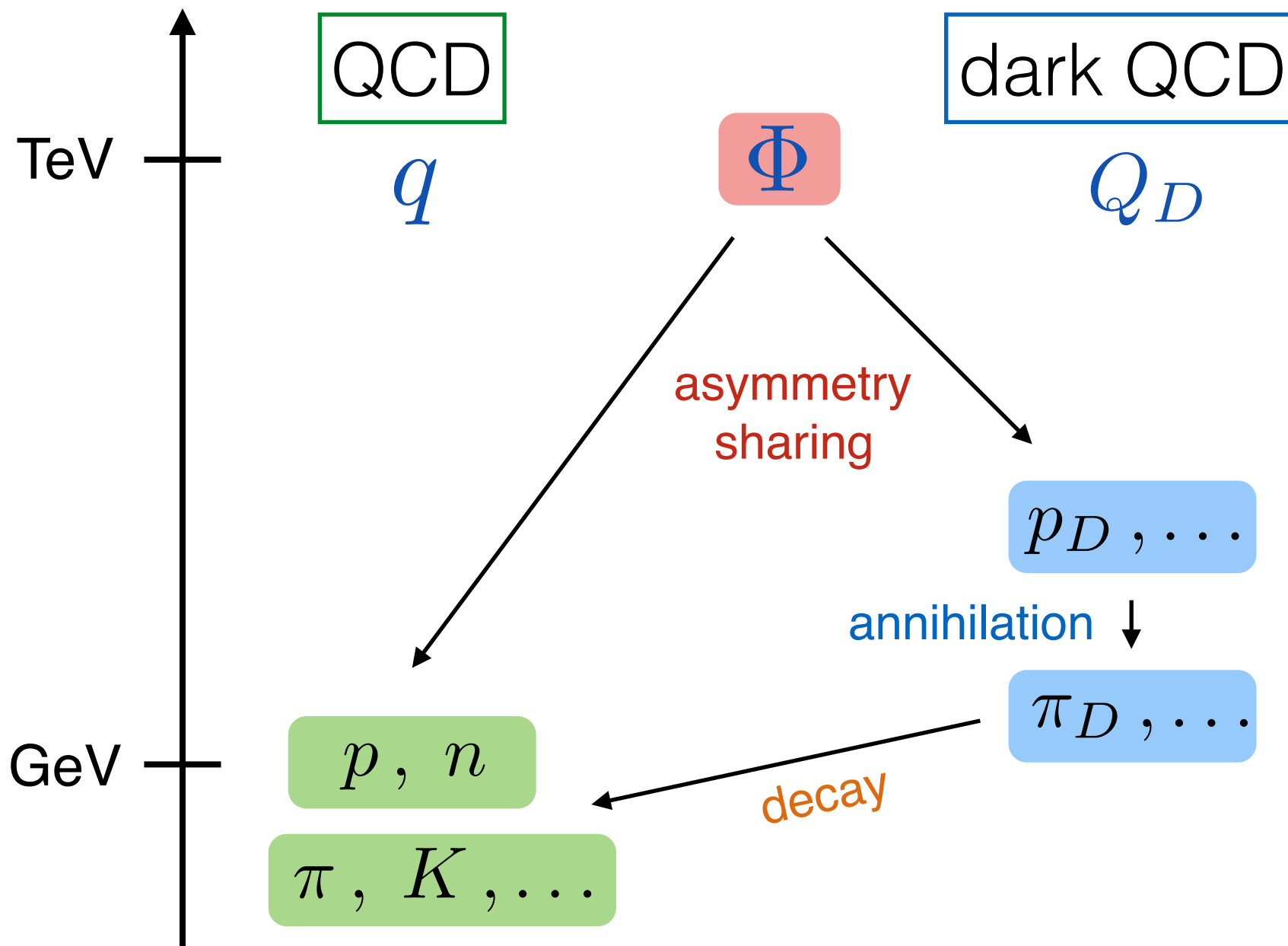


- One more step: Introduce dark colour  $SU(3)$
- DM stability from dark gauge inv.
- Mediator heavy (colour!), dark quarks may be light  $\rightarrow$  QCD like dark sector

# Outline

- Collider pheno of QCD like dark sectors
- The flavour portal and consequences

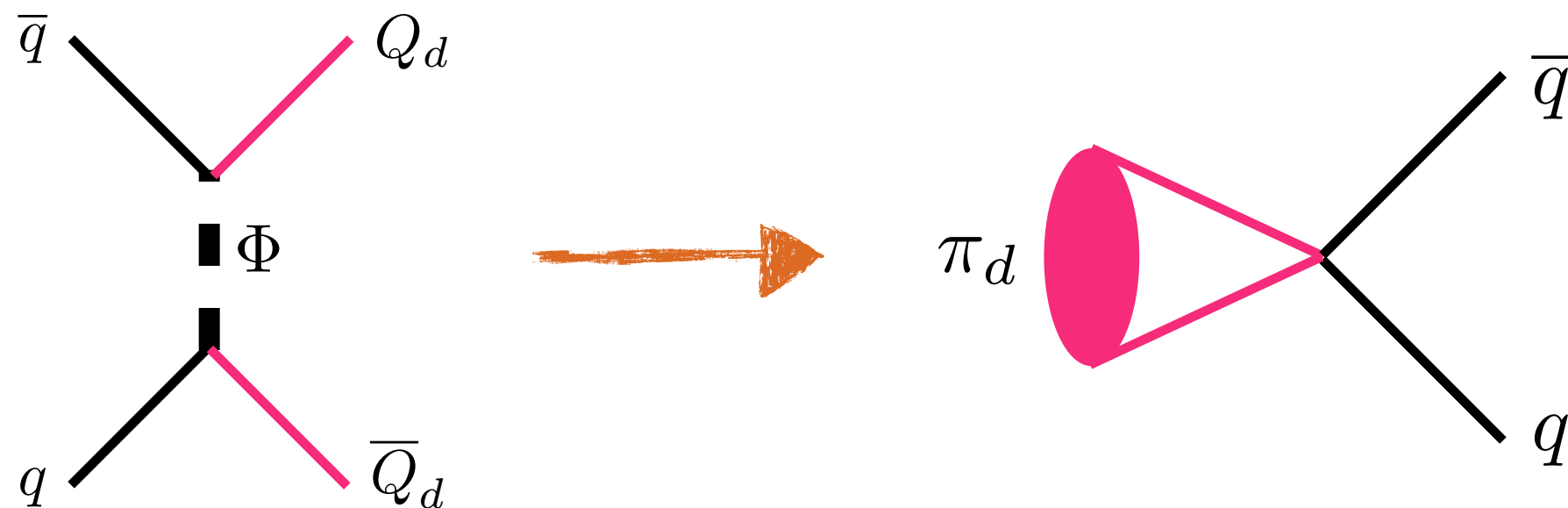
# Dark QCD



- SU(N) dark sector with neutral "dark quarks"
- Confinement scale  $\Lambda_{\text{darkQCD}}$
- DM is composite "dark proton"
- "Dark pions" unstable, long lived

# Dark Pion Lifetime

- Integrate out mediator, match to dark pion current



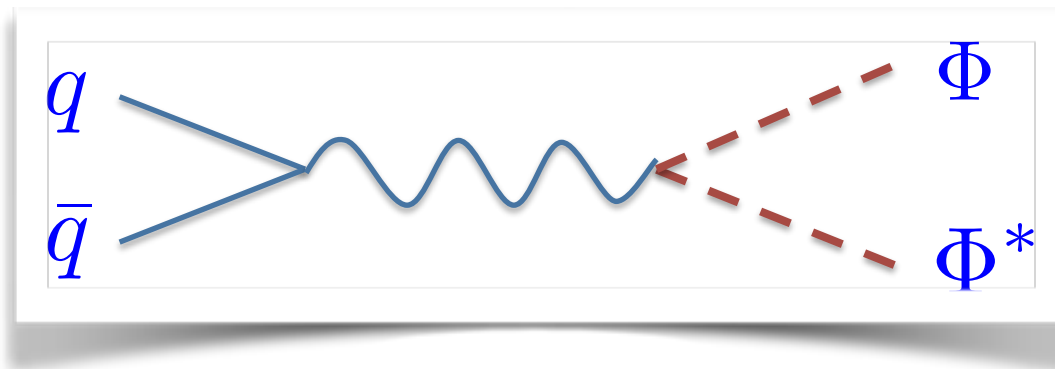
- Decay to SM jets (pions)

$$\Gamma(\pi_d \rightarrow \bar{d}d) \approx \frac{f_{\pi_d}^2 m_d^2}{32\pi M_{X_d}^4} m_{\pi_d} \sim \text{cm}$$

Decay in LHC detectors!

# Collider Signature

- Pair production of heavy bi-fundamental fields:



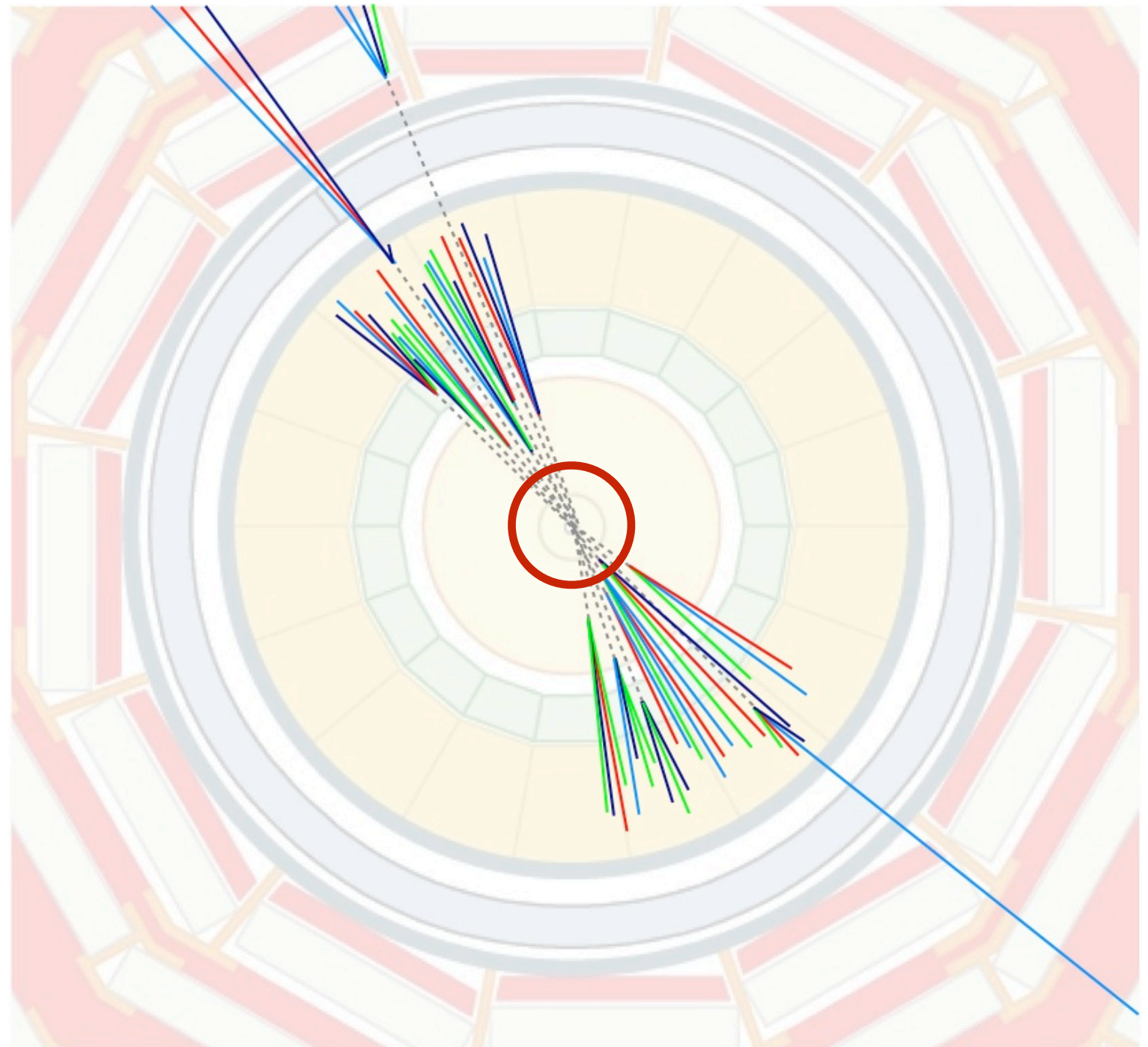
- Decay to quark - dark quark pairs
  - ▶ two QCD-jets
  - ▶ two “Emerging Jets”:  
dark quarks shower and hadronize in dark sector  
decay back to SM jets with displaced vertices

Also “Hidden Valley” signature  
Strassler, Zurek, 2007; ...  
related: SIMP dark matter  
Bai, Rajaraman, 2011



# Emerging Jets at the LHC

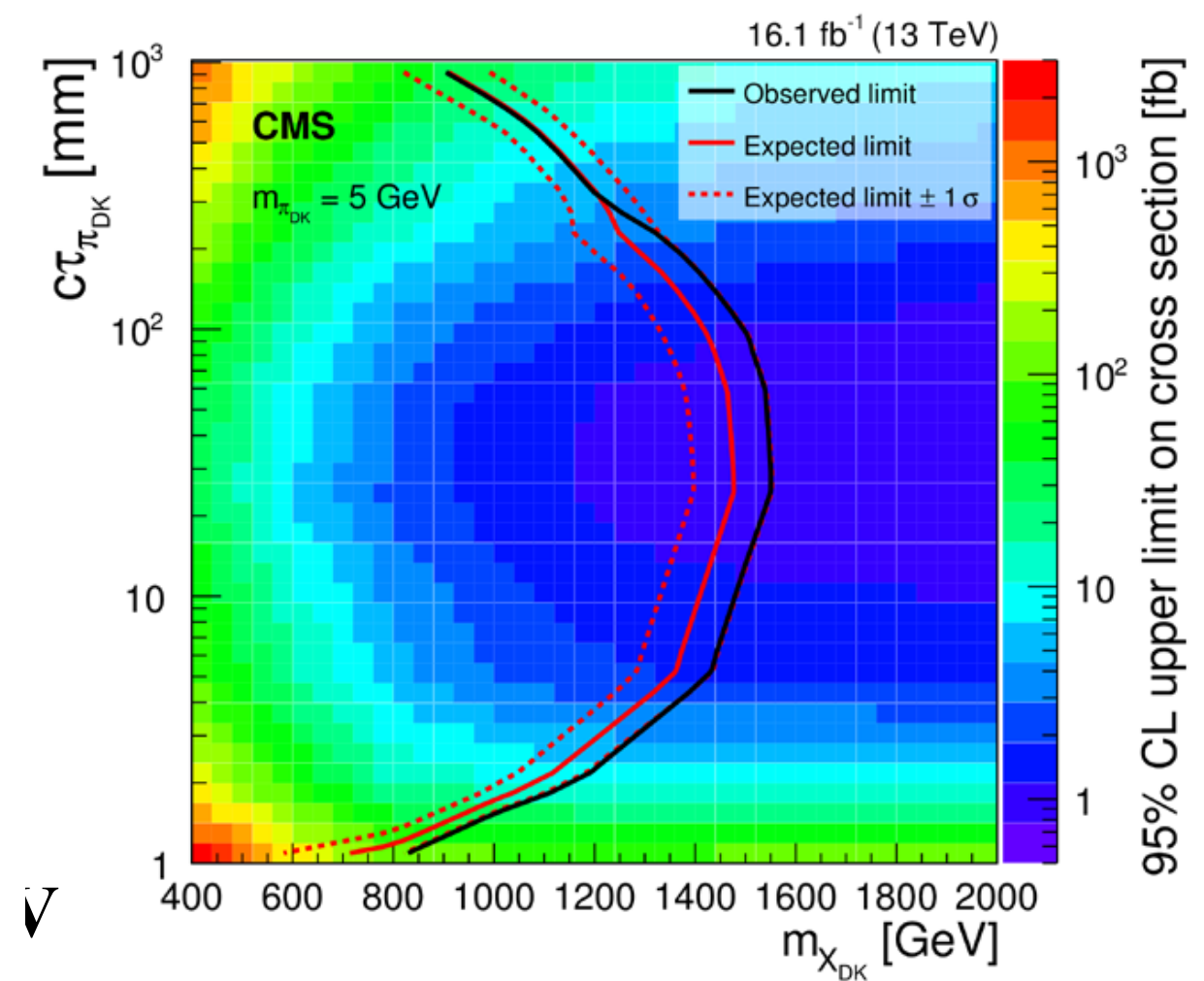
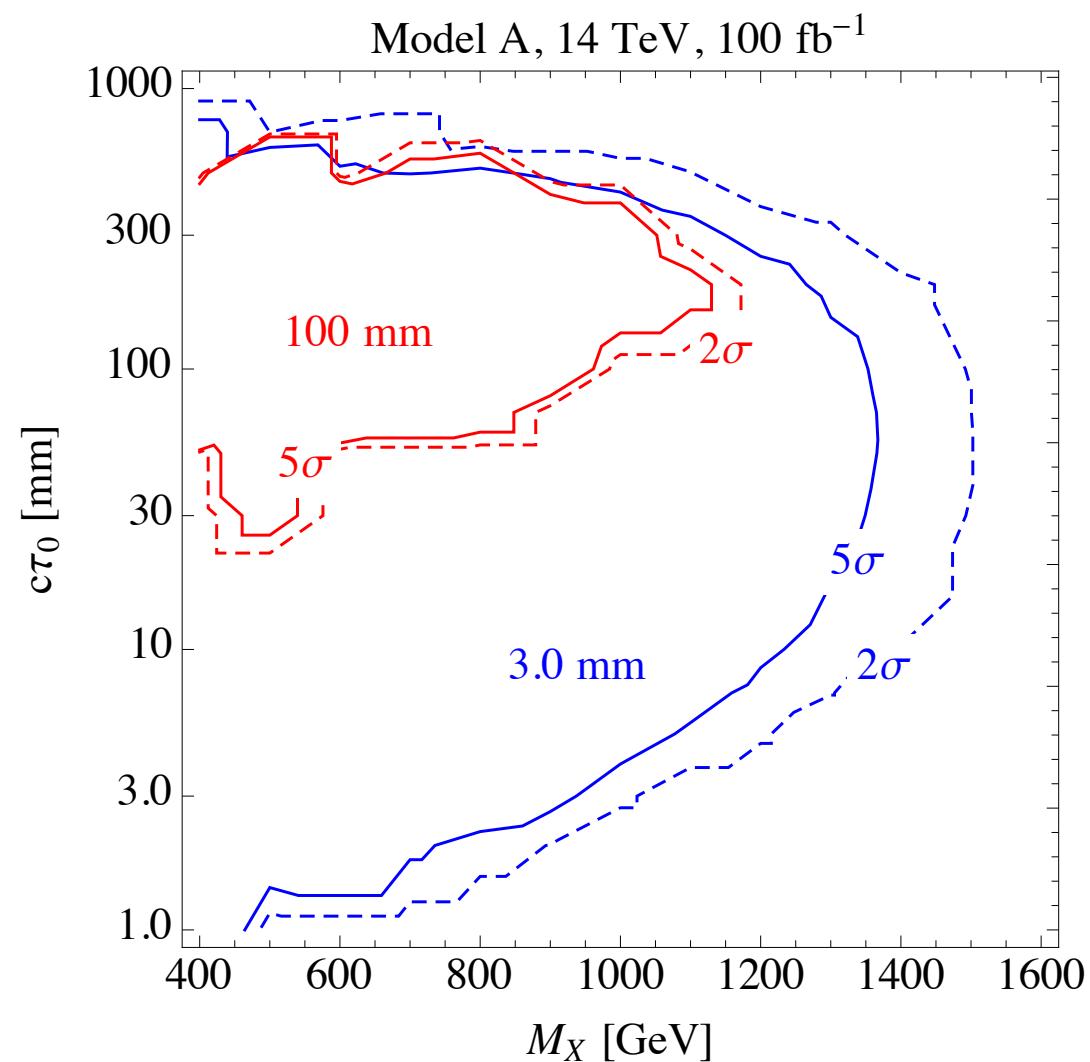
- Production of mediator, decay to dark quarks
- Characteristic:
  - few/no tracks in inner tracker
- New “emerging” jet signature
- Smoking gun of composite hidden sectors



# First search published!

PS, Stolarksi, Weiler, 2015

CMS 2018!



Talk by Kevin Pedro,  
LLP workshop Amsterdam, 2018

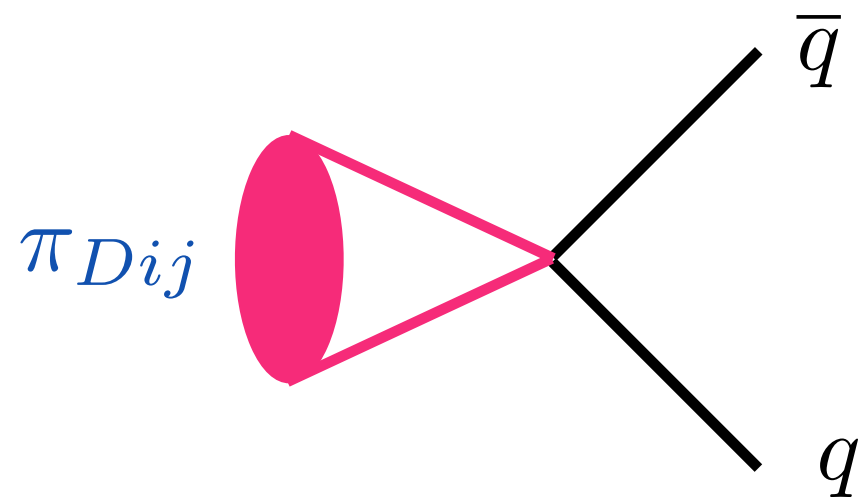
With extra flavour

# Adding flavour

- So far, assumed universal lifetime for dark pions
- Actually

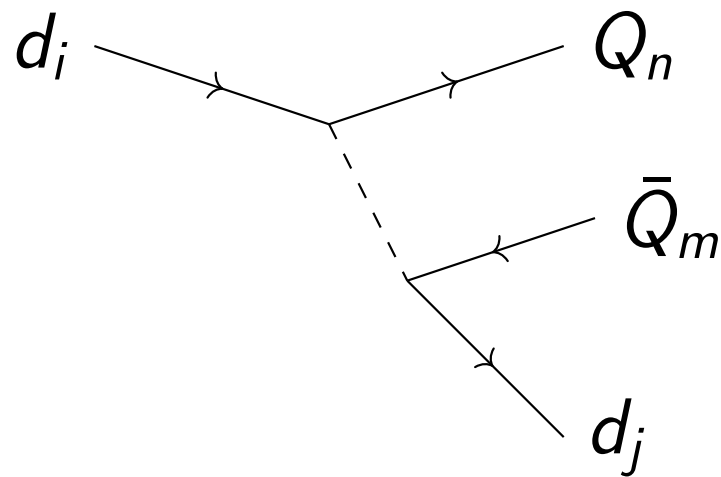
$$\lambda \bar{d}_R Q_L \Phi = \lambda_{ij} \bar{d}_{Ri} Q_{Lj} \Phi$$

- Not all pions are equal:

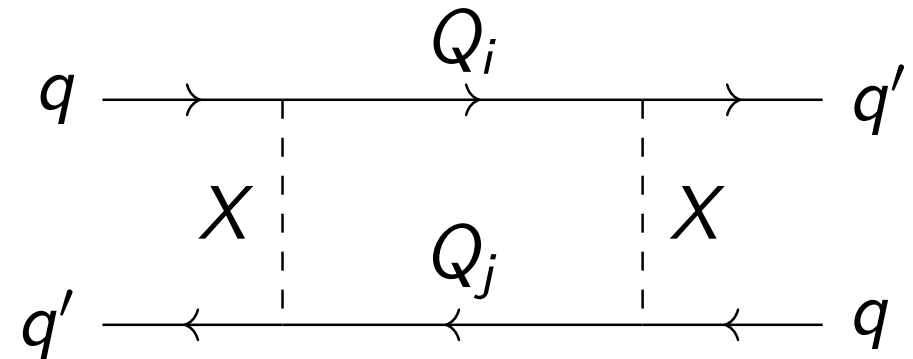


$$\propto \sum_{q,q'} |\lambda_{qi} \lambda_{q'j}^*|^2$$

# Flavour matters

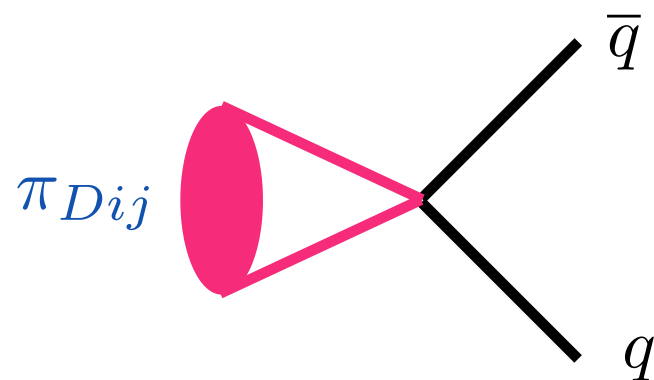


$\Delta F = 1$   
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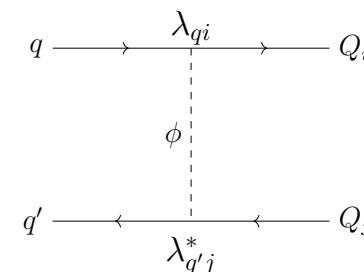


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fixed target experiments



dark pion properties



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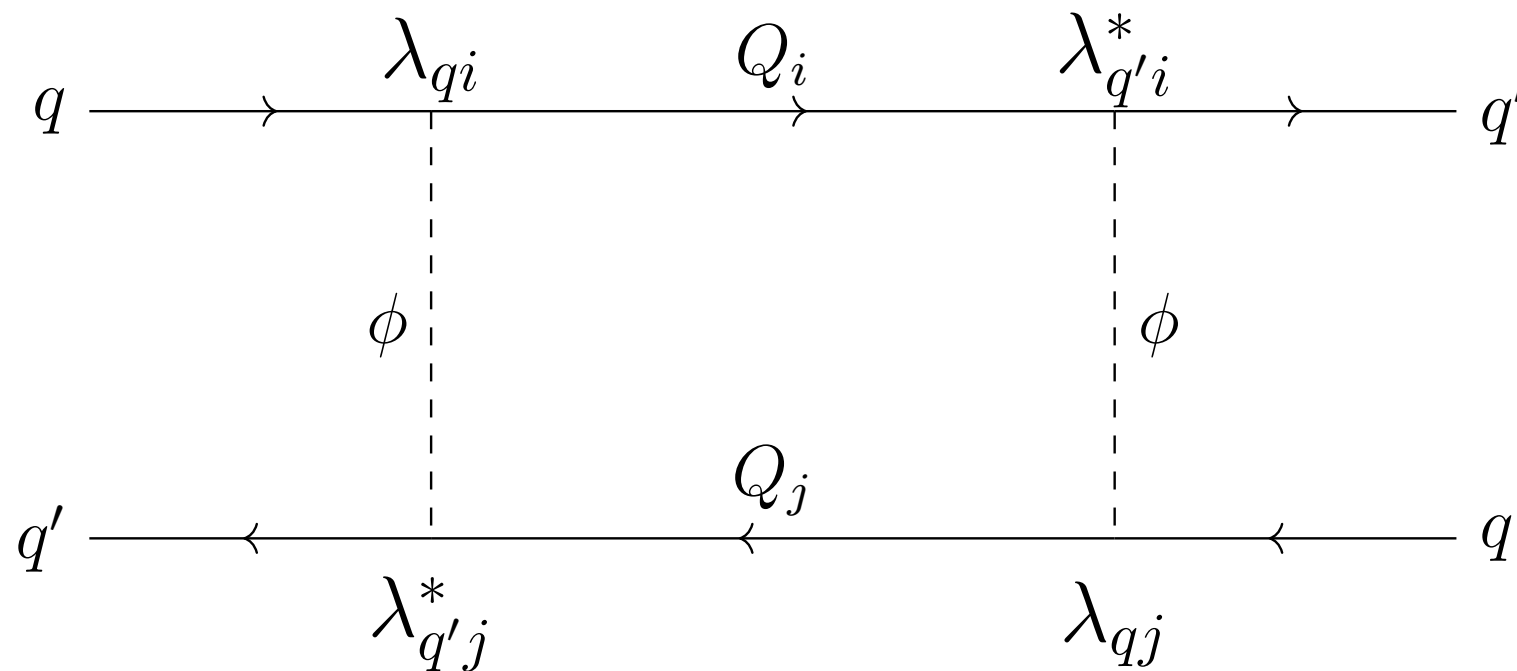
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$$\lambda = U D V$$

Parameterisation from  
Agrawal, Blanke,  
Gemmler, 2014

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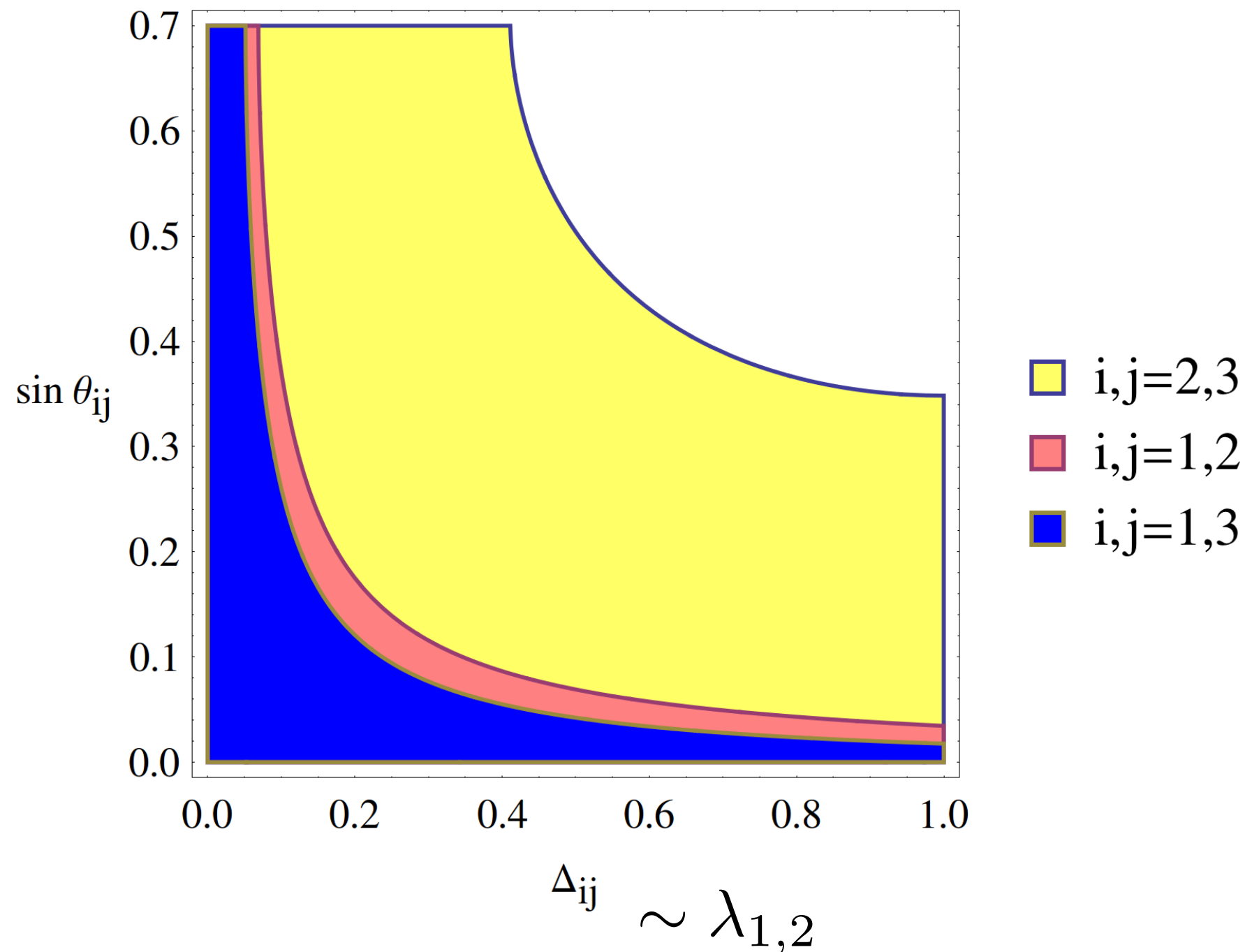
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# Rare decays

- Allows rare decays

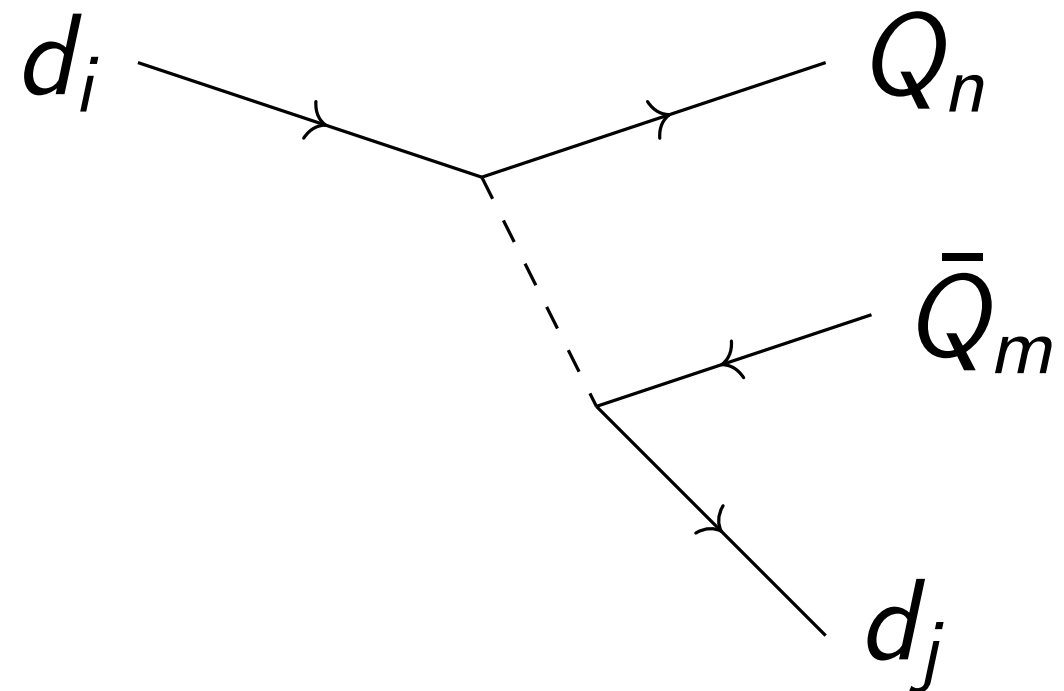
$$B \rightarrow (K, \pi) + \text{invisible}$$

$$K \rightarrow \pi + \text{invisible}$$

- Strongest close to thresholds:

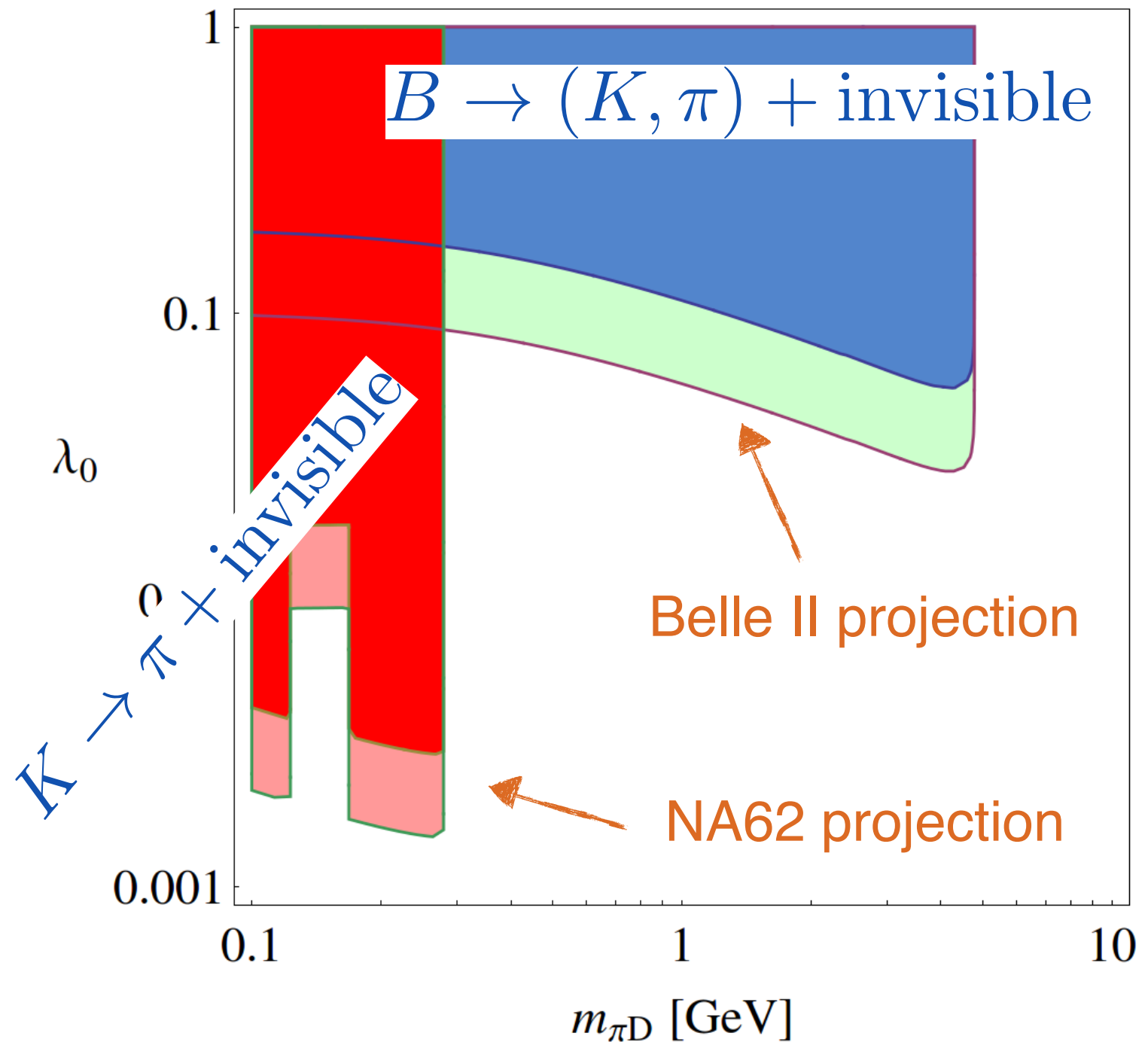
$$K \rightarrow \pi \pi_D \text{ wins over } K \rightarrow \pi Q \bar{Q}$$

- Don't vanish in aligned limit!



# Bounds from rare decays

- Best bound on couplings for very light dark pions
- Dark pion production in fixed target expts!

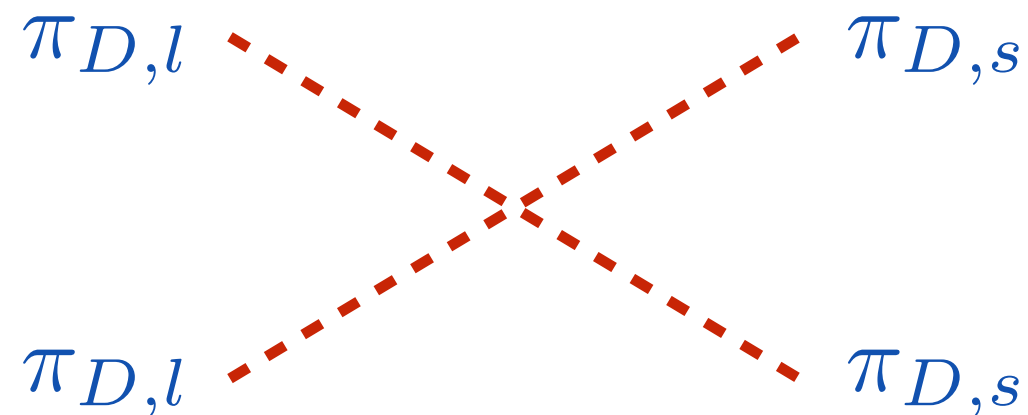


# BBN

- Energy injection during/after BBN is bad
- Usual constraint:

$$\Gamma(X \rightarrow \text{SM}) > (1 \text{ s})^{-1} \quad \forall \quad X$$

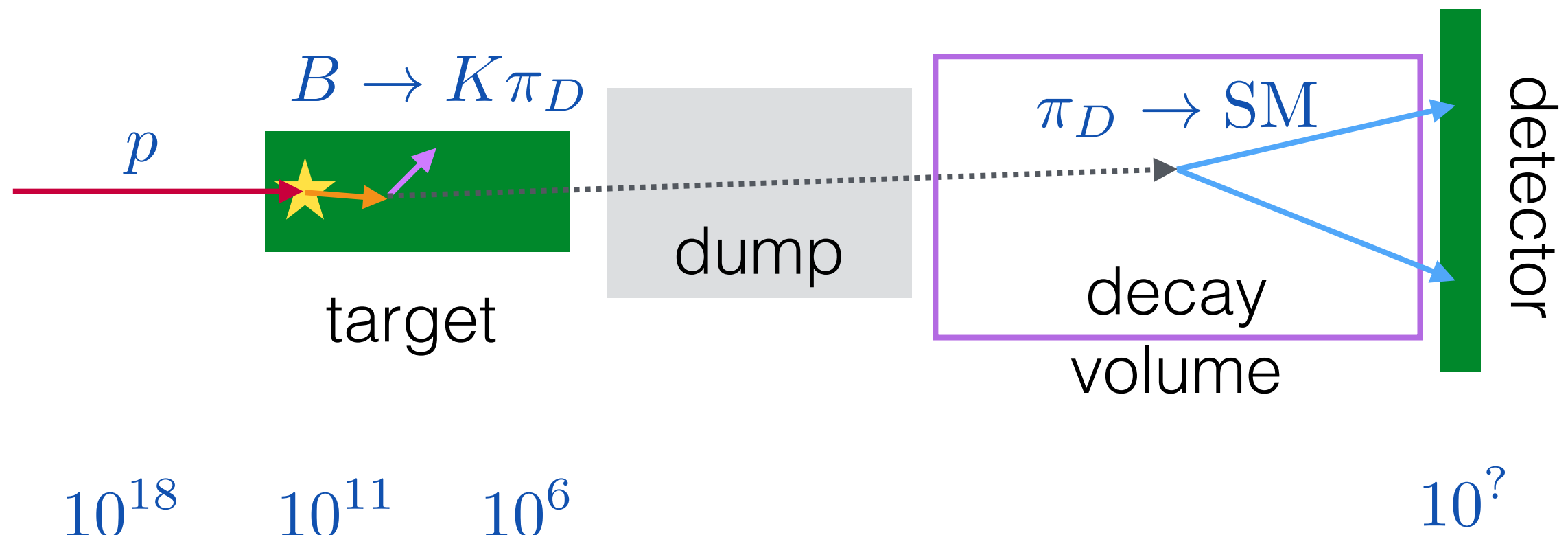
- Here:



- Only need one sufficiently short lived dark pion

# Fixed target

- My simplified NA62/SHiP:

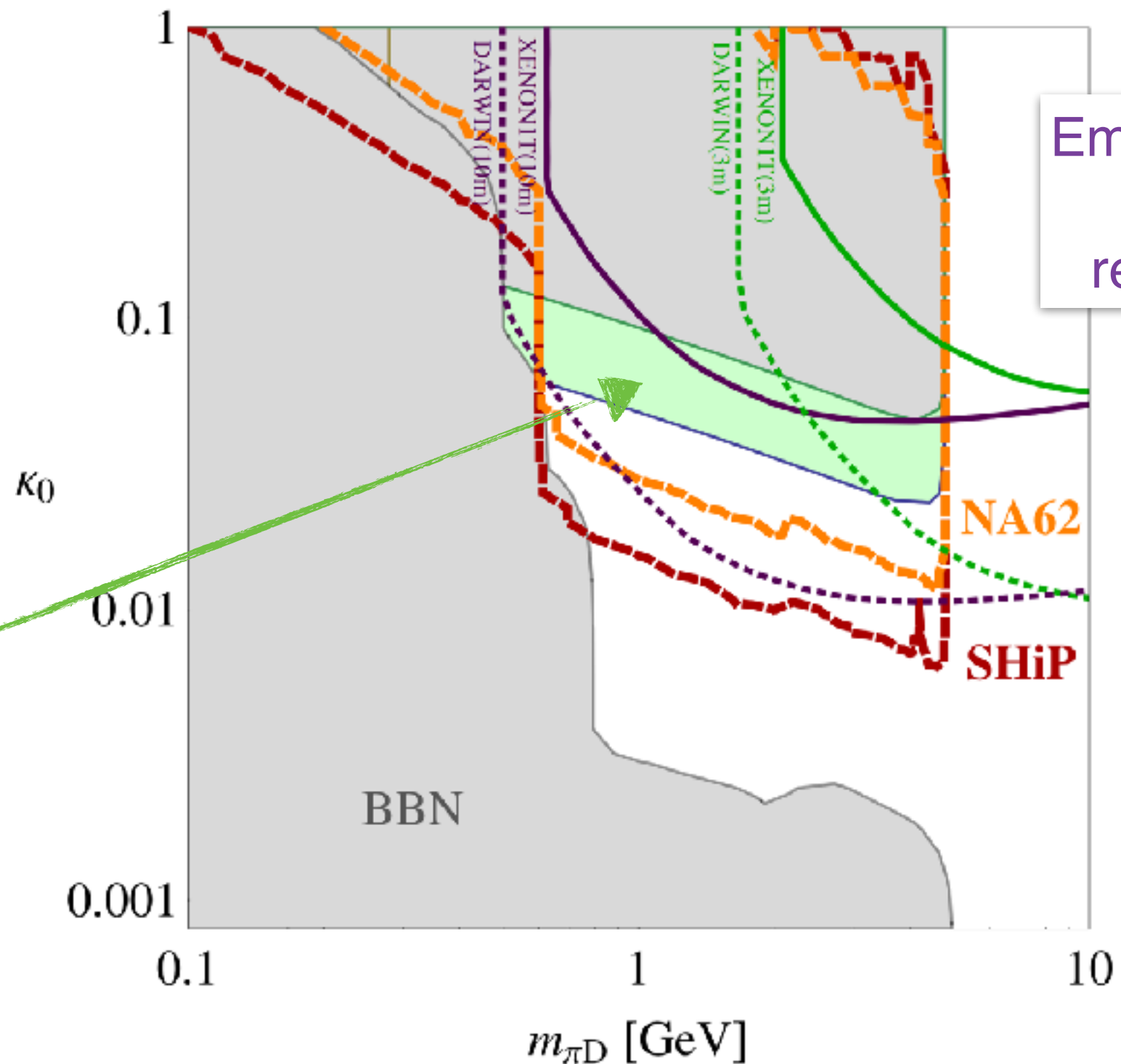


- Leading channels:  $\pi_D \rightarrow \pi K$ ,  $\pi_D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
- No  $\pi\pi$ , probe of CP nature of  $\pi_D$

# Fixed target reach

- Including bounds from cosmology

Belle II reach



# Summary

Flavoured dark sectors have rich phenomenology, many experiments are sensitive

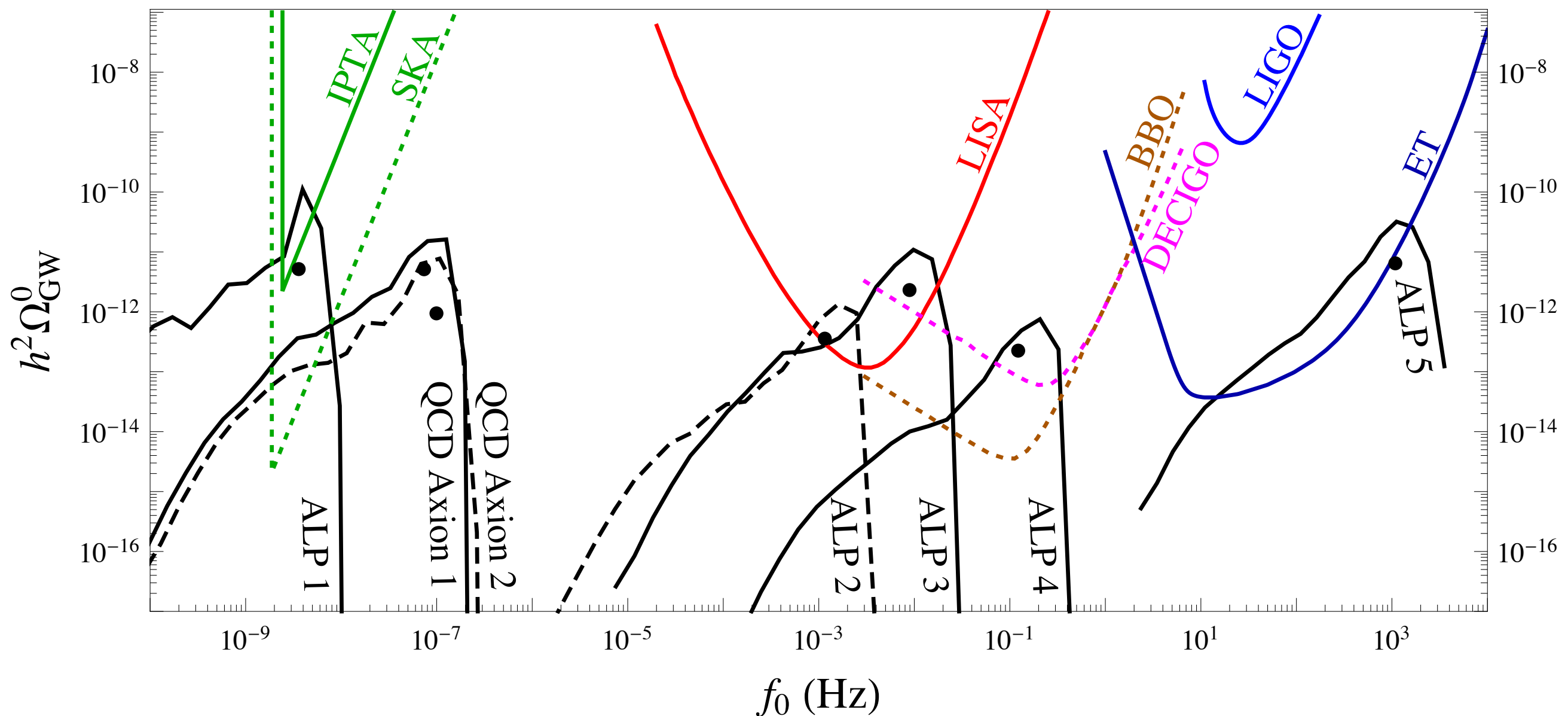
- ▶ First **Emerging Jets** search at CMS
- ▶ Invisible  **$\Delta F=1$  processes** at NA62, Belle II
- ▶ Dark **pion decays at NA62, SHiP**  
(also LHCb, MATHUSLA probably)
- ▶ **Direct detection** & cosmological probes
- ▶ Broader range of emerging jets signatures

# Outlook

- Comparison of conventional and dedicated LLP searches
- Up-flavoured and leptonic dark sectors
- Connection with B anomalies
- Dark baryon DM properties

# For Gilad

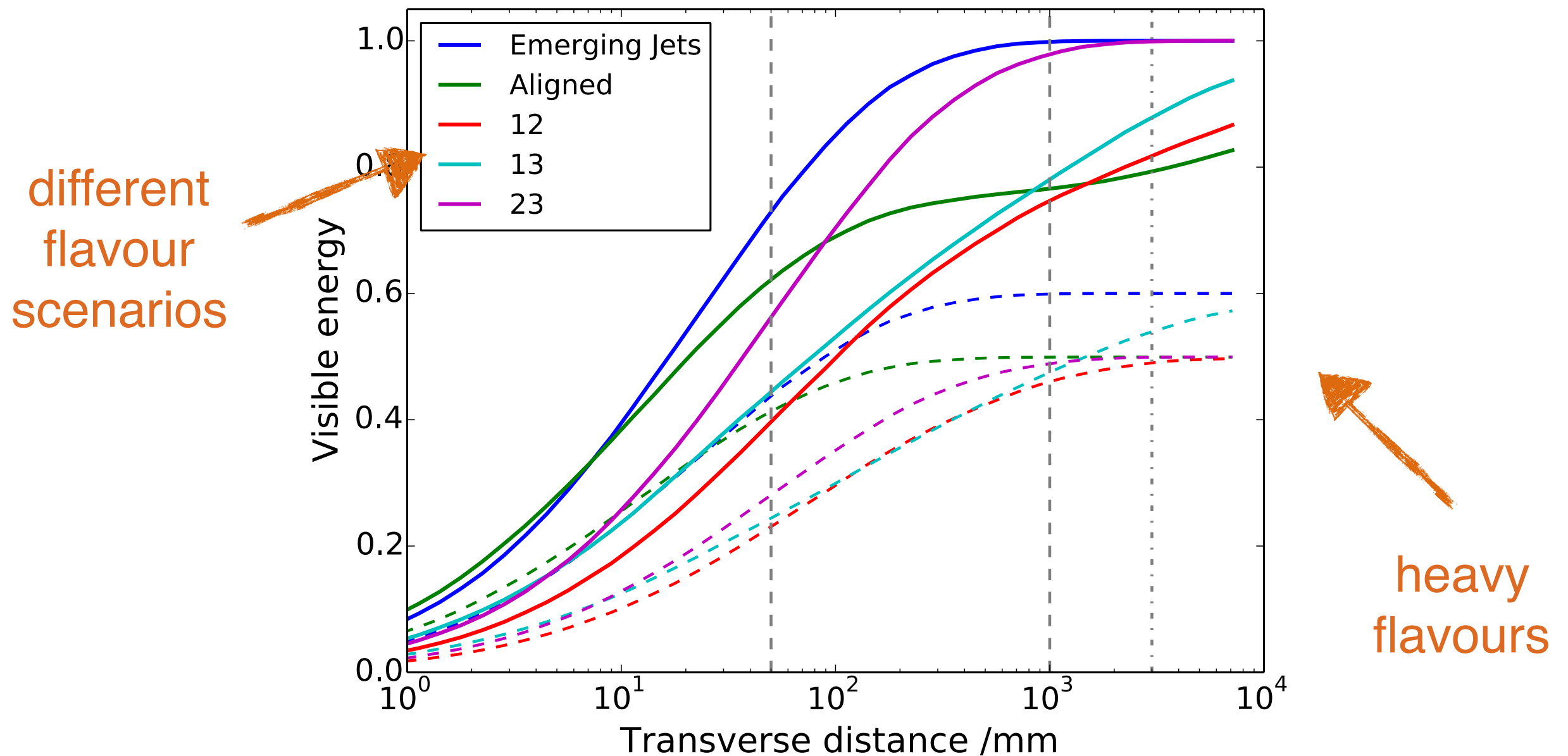
- If instead, you are interested in GWs from axion dark matter in the early universe: [arXiv:1811.01950](https://arxiv.org/abs/1811.01950)





Thank You

# Emerging Jets revisited



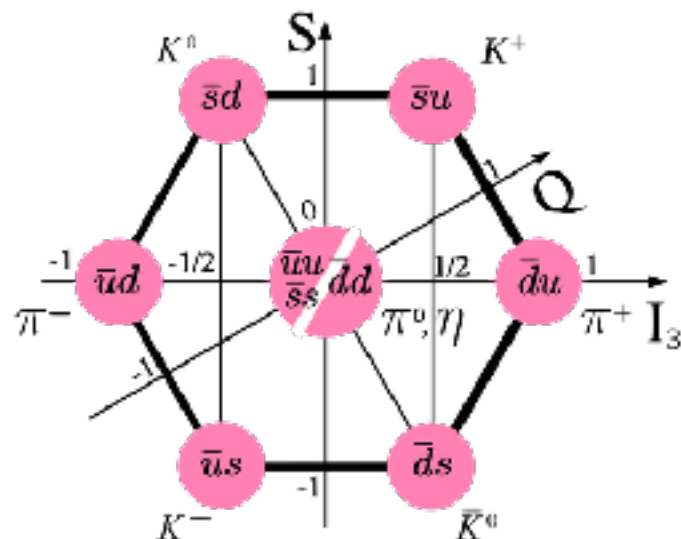
# Particles and symmmetries

$$\mathcal{L}_{dark} \supset i\bar{Q}_i \not{\partial} Q_i + M^2 \bar{Q}_i Q_i + \lambda_{ij} \bar{Q}_i P_R d_j X$$

Ansatz: 3 dark quark flavours  $Q_i$

$$U(3)_L \times U(3)_R \rightarrow SU(3)_V \times U(1)_B$$

$\implies$  8 DARK PIONS



Lightest baryon “dark proton”  
Charged under  $U(1)_B \implies$  stable

Dark quark flavour symmetry broken only by  $\lambda_{ij}$

# Dark Pion Lifetime

$$\Gamma(\pi_d \rightarrow \bar{d}d) \approx \frac{f_{\pi_d}^2 m_d^2}{32\pi M_{X_d}^4} m_{\pi_d}$$

$$c\tau \approx 5 \text{ cm} \times \left(\frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{f_{\pi_d}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{100 \text{ MeV}}{m_d}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{m_{\pi_d}}\right) \left(\frac{M_{X_d}}{1 \text{ TeV}}\right)^4$$

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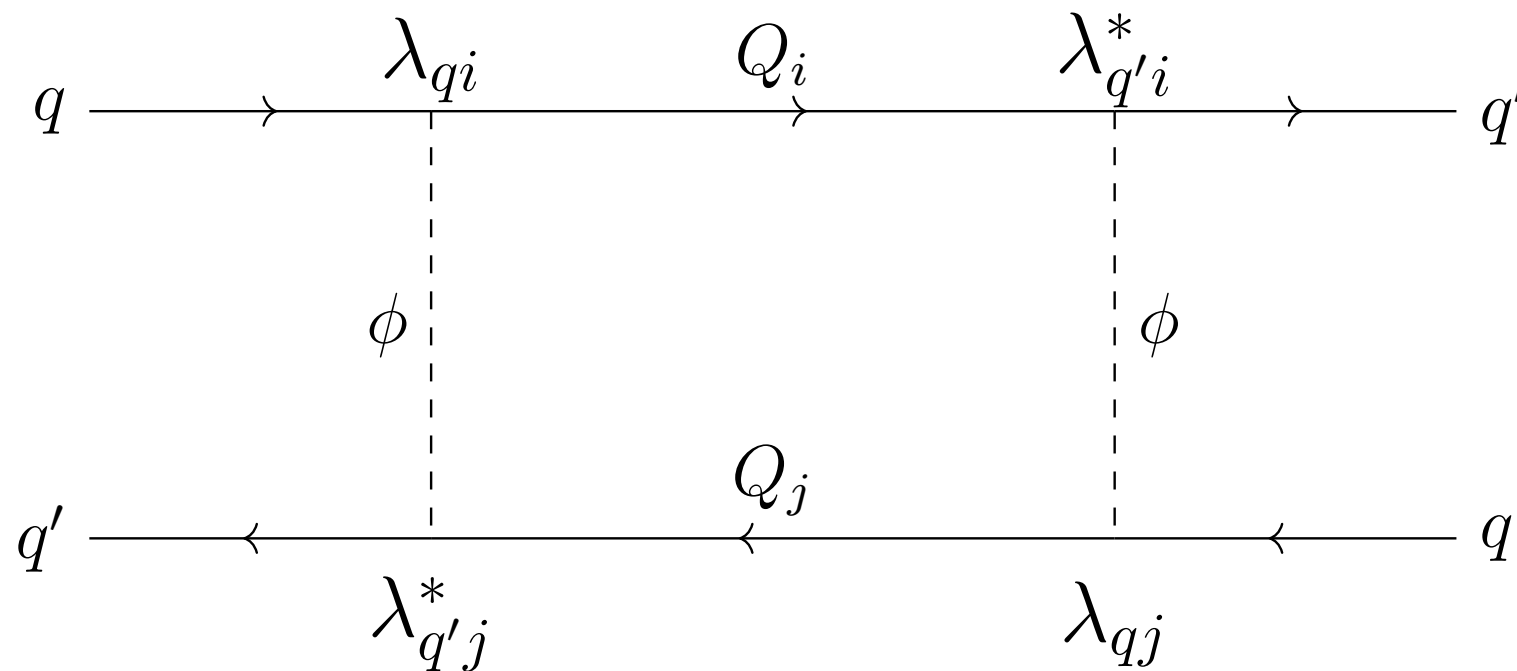
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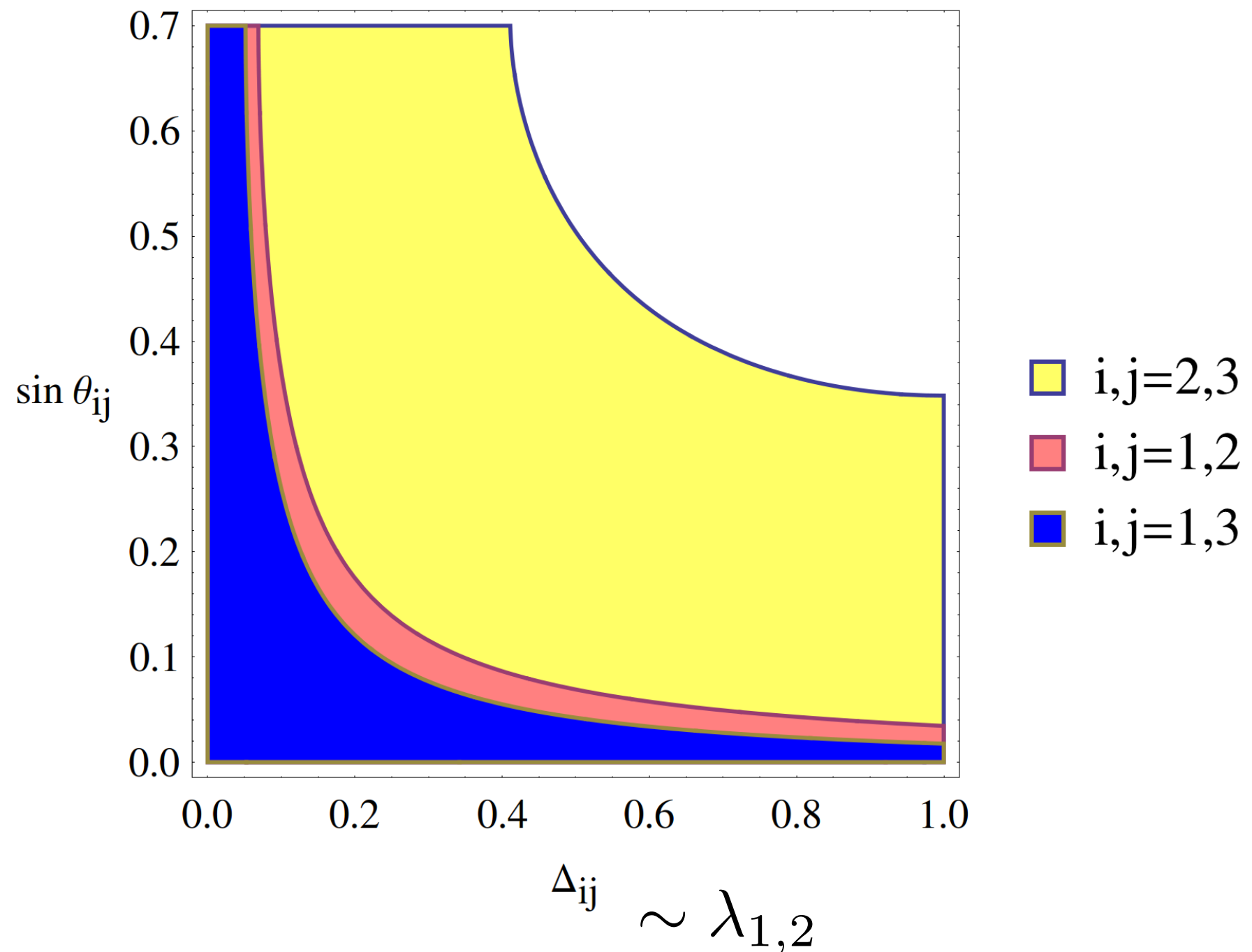
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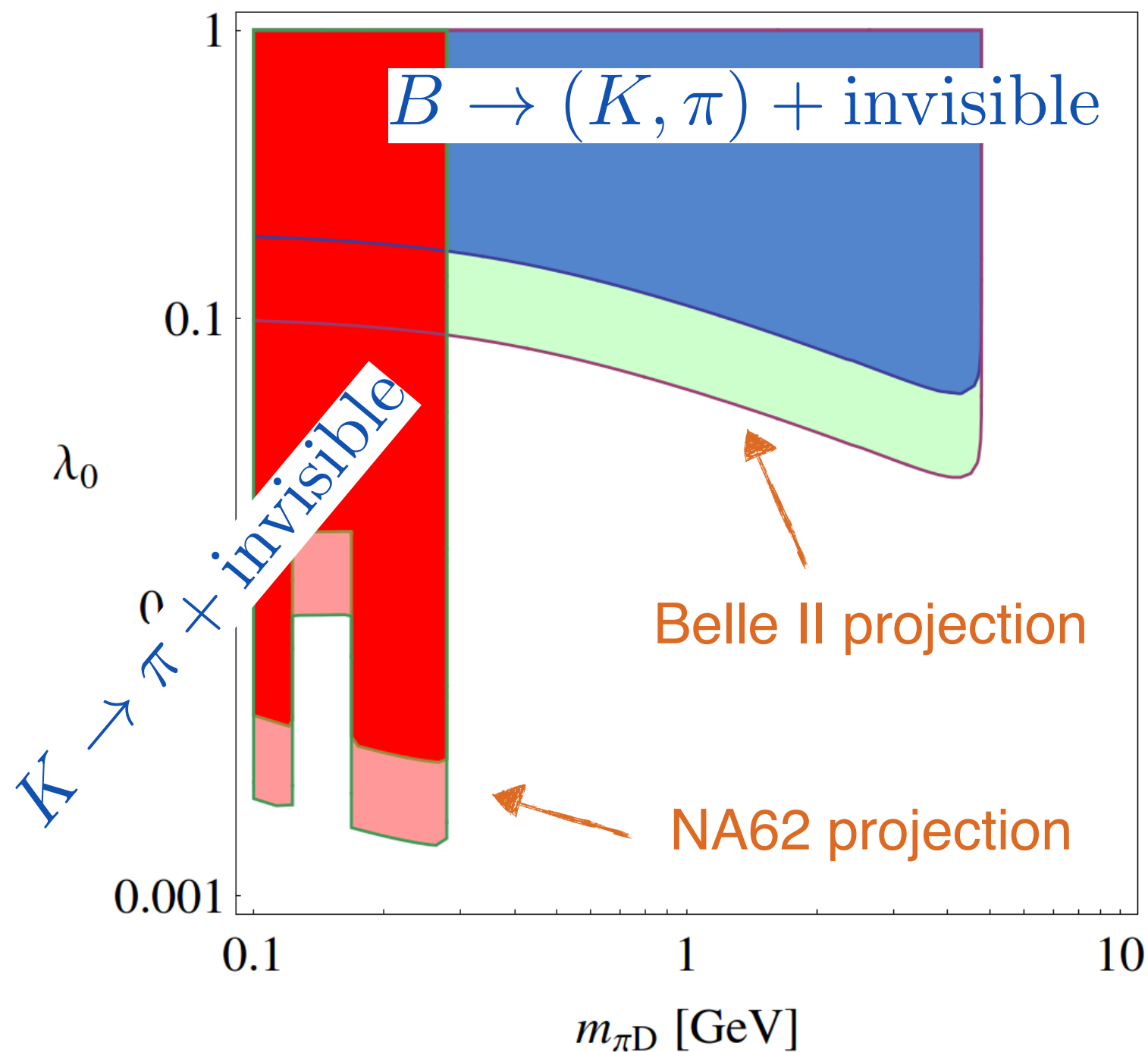
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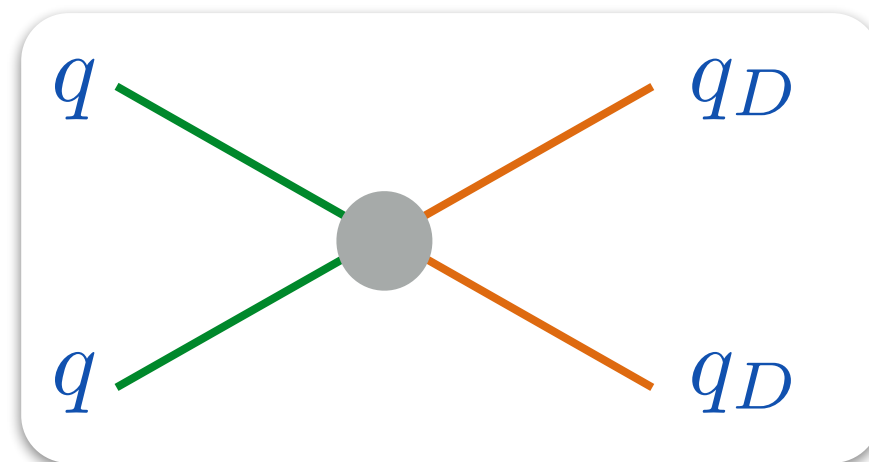
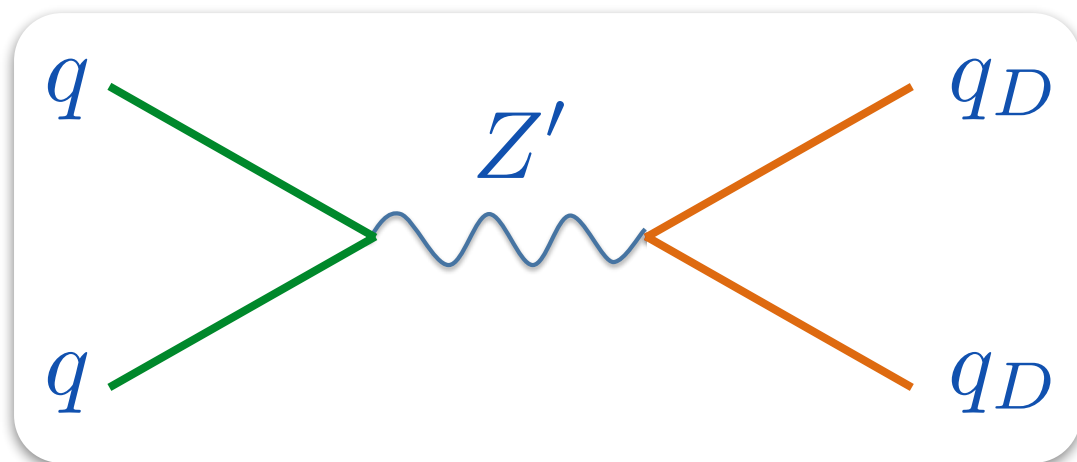
- Best bound on couplings for very light dark pions





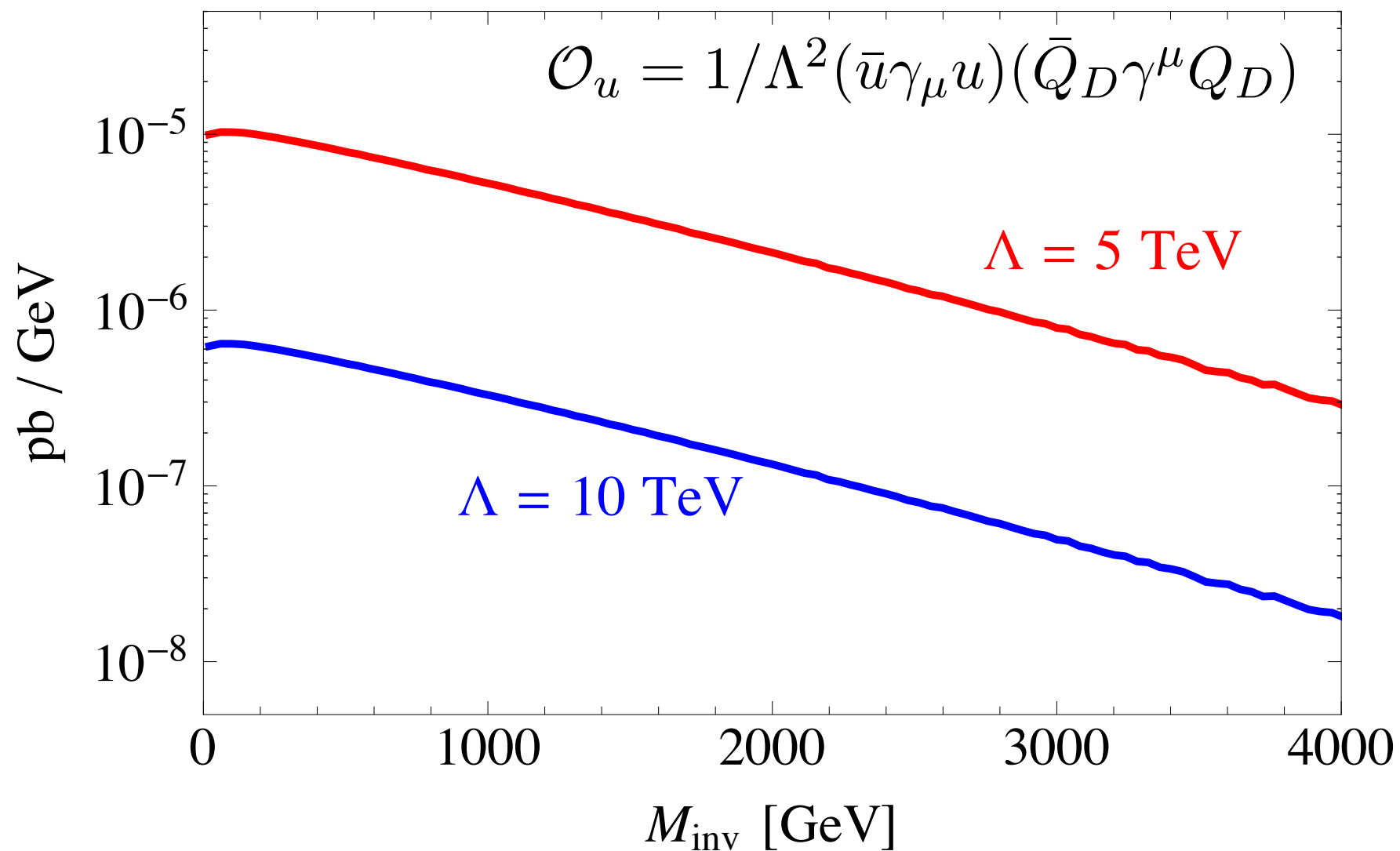
# LHCb opportunities

- $Z'$  mediator is difficult to trigger at ATLAS/CMS  
Same if dominant production is off-shell



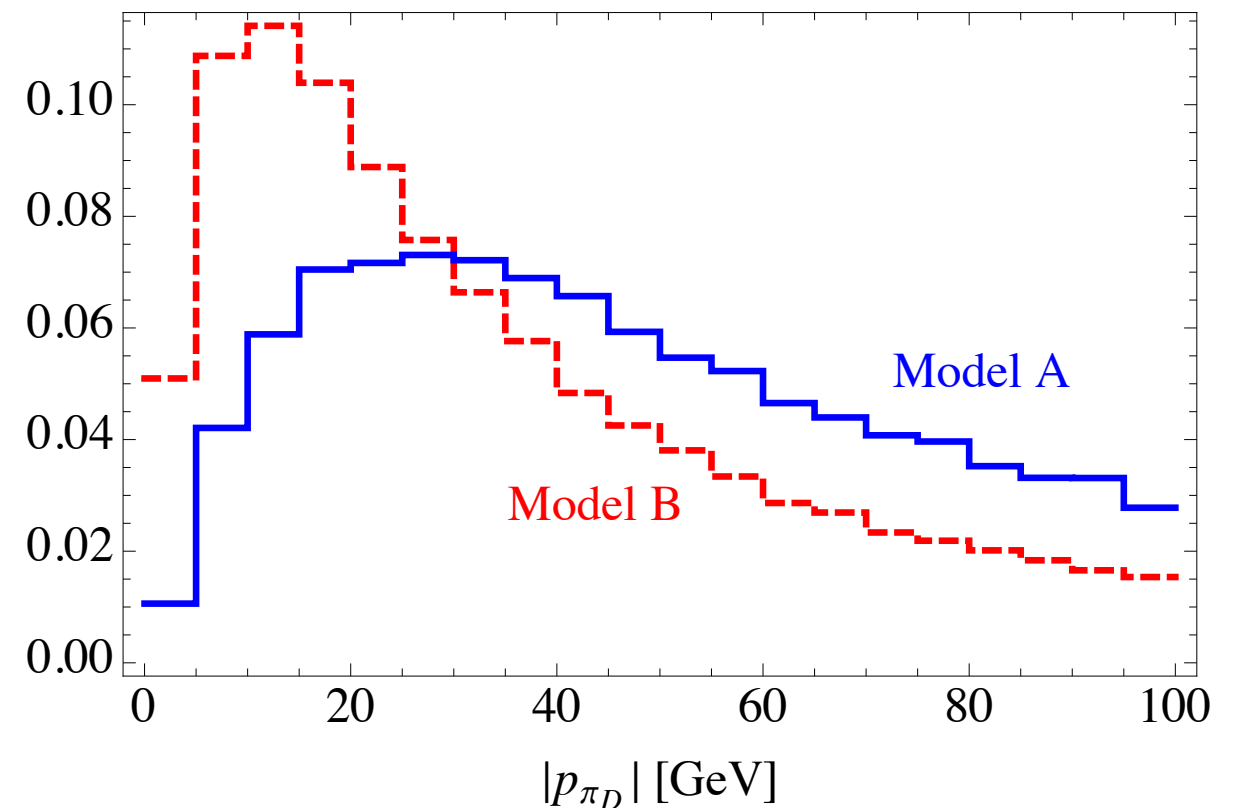
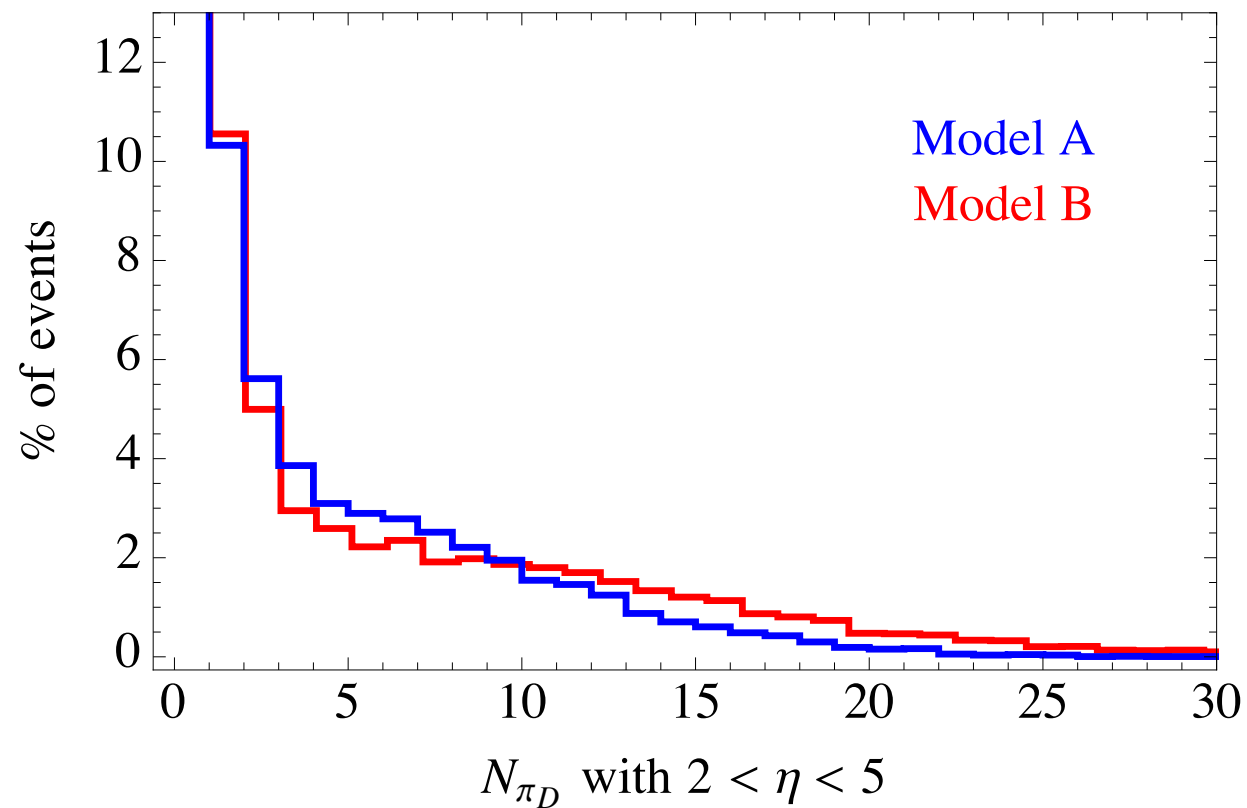
- **Reconstruct individual dark pions**, differentiate using lifetime, mass, decay products
- Emerging jets without (hard) trigger requirements?

# Off-shell production



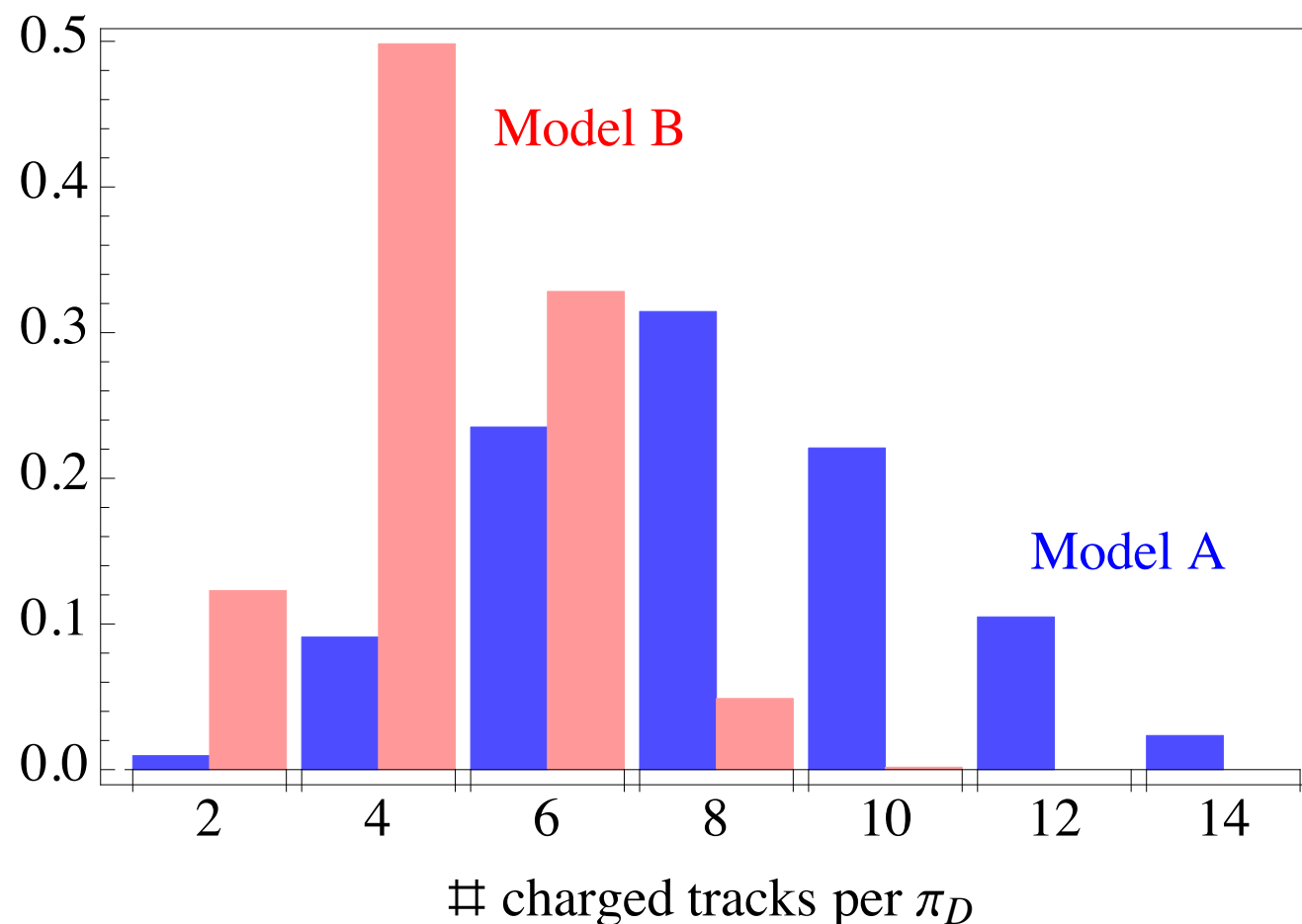
- Total rate:  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow \bar{Q}_D Q_D) \approx 8.2 \text{ pb} \times \left(\frac{\text{TeV}}{\Lambda}\right)^4 \times N_d \times N_F$

# Forward region



- Fraction of all signal events with  $N$  dark pions in  $2 < \eta < 5$
- Momentum (not pT) distribution of dark pions in  $2 < \eta < 5$

# Decay characteristics

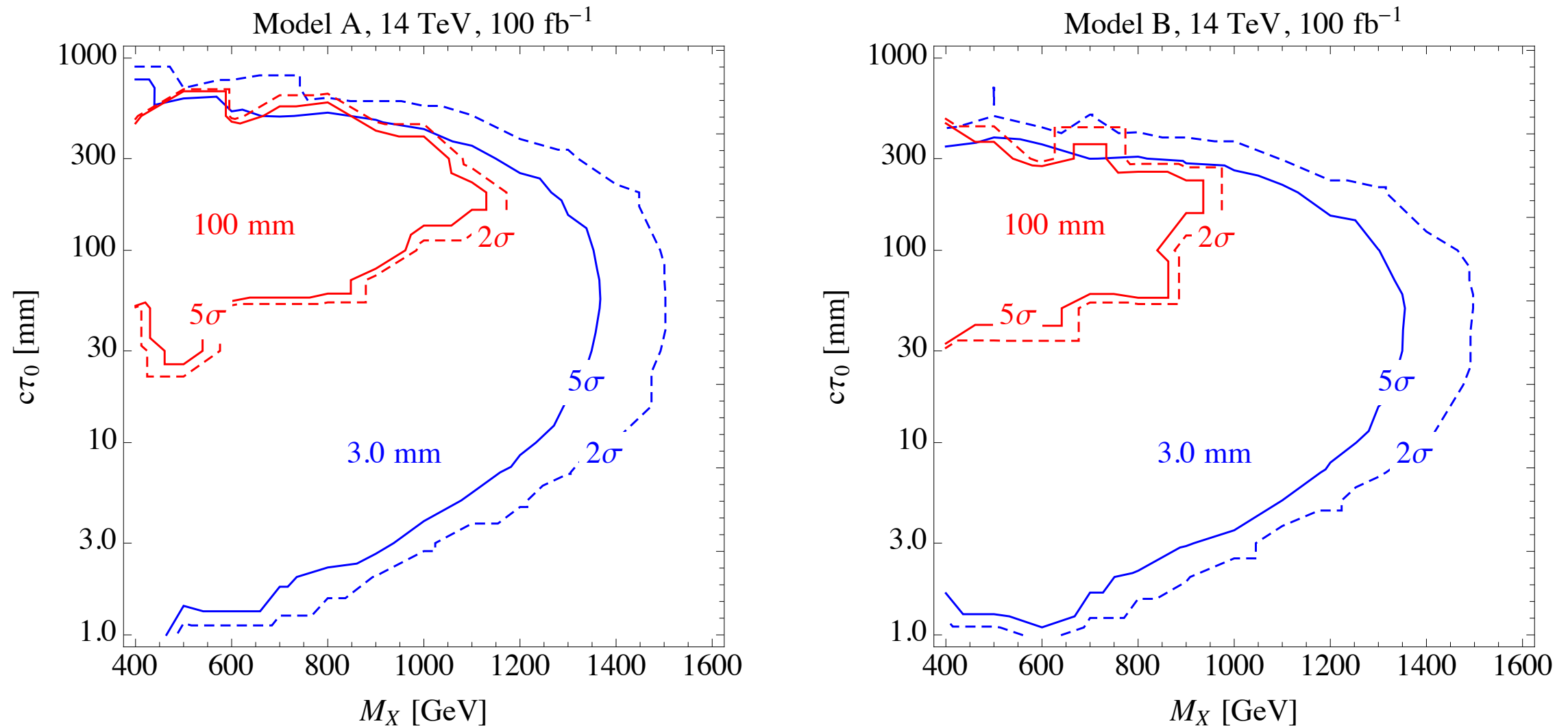


- Number of charged tracks from dark pion decays
- Also depend on flavour structure - some more work!

# Very very (very) rough estimate

- 20 inverse fb
- Assume that events with 3 or more reconstructed dark pions are significantly different from QCD (i.e. no background)
- 10% reconstruction efficiency
- Sensitivity to  $\sigma = 8 \text{ fb}$ , corresponds to  $\Lambda \approx 5 \text{ TeV}$

# Reach ATLAS/CMS



- Optimistic scenario (no non-collisional BGs)
- Also sensitive to some RPV SUSY models etc

# Models

- High scale (above  $M$ ):
  - Bifundamental scalars  $\Phi$  and fermions  $Y$
  - Quarks  $q$  and dark quarks  $Q_D$
  - Also allow (dark) coloured scalars
- Below  $M$ : Only  $q$  and  $Q_D$
- Example (with  $N_{F,d} = 7$ ):

$$\alpha_c^* = 0.090 \quad \alpha_d^* = 0.168$$

$$M = 870 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_{\text{DM}} \approx 3.5 \text{ GeV}$$

# Asymmetry

- Produce asymmetry in bi-fundamentals from heavy particle decay (à la Leptogenesis)
- Decay to quarks and **dark quarks** (color conservation) → equal **B** and **D**
- Including sphalerons:  $\frac{|n_D|}{n_B} = \frac{79}{56} \approx \frac{7}{5}$
- For example model:

$$\frac{\rho_{DM}}{\rho_B} = \frac{7}{5} \frac{3.5 \text{ GeV}}{0.94 \text{ GeV}} \approx 5$$

“naturally”

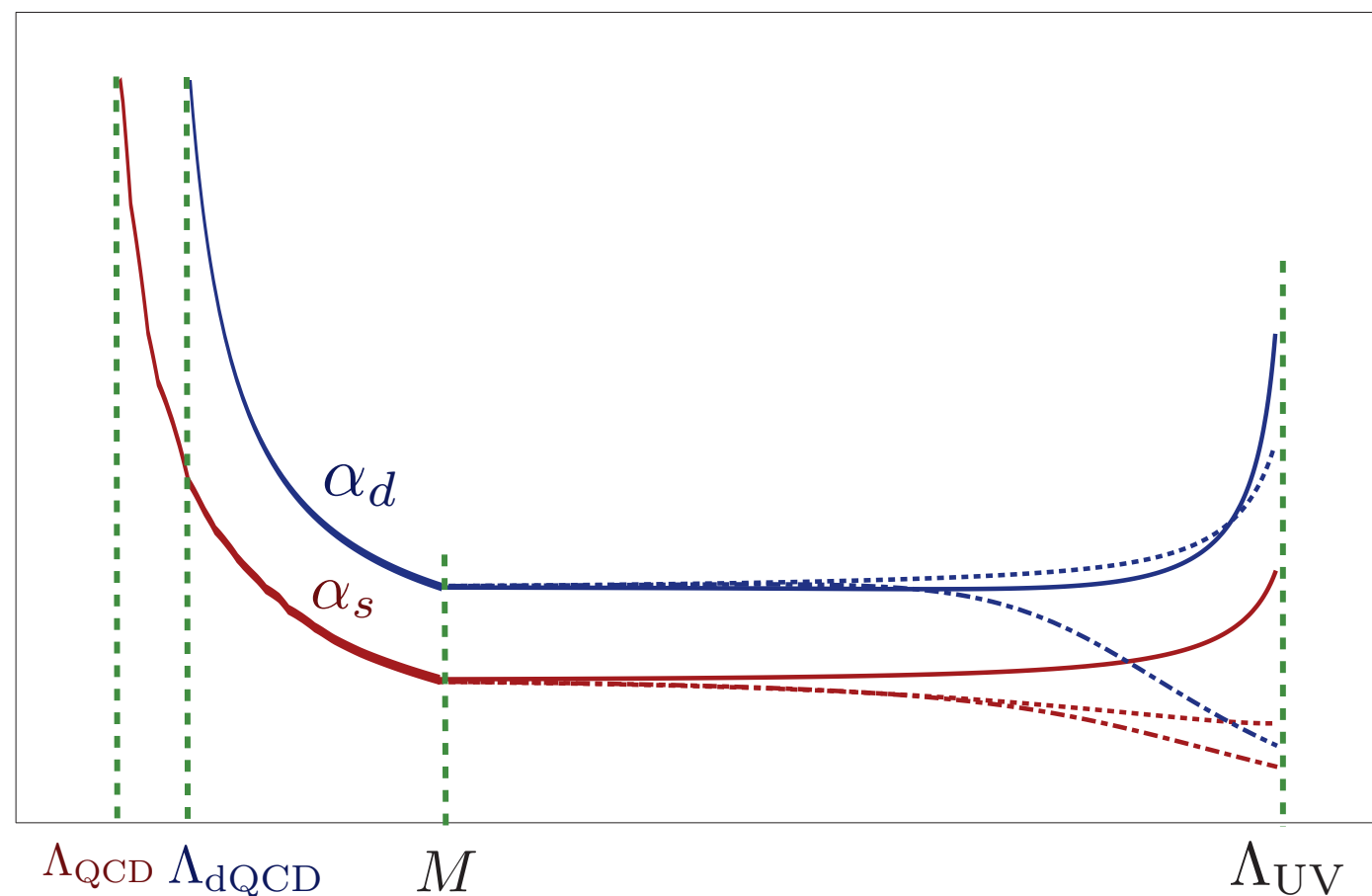


# Features

- Relic density fine, without direct detection trouble
- Symmetric component annihilation:
  - $p_D \bar{p}_D \rightarrow \pi_D \pi_D$  very efficient
  - $\pi_D \rightarrow SM$  transfers entropy back to SM
- DM self interaction mediated by dark pions, **might** help with structure formation issues

Generic properties of “dark QCD” models  
worth studying their phenomenology!

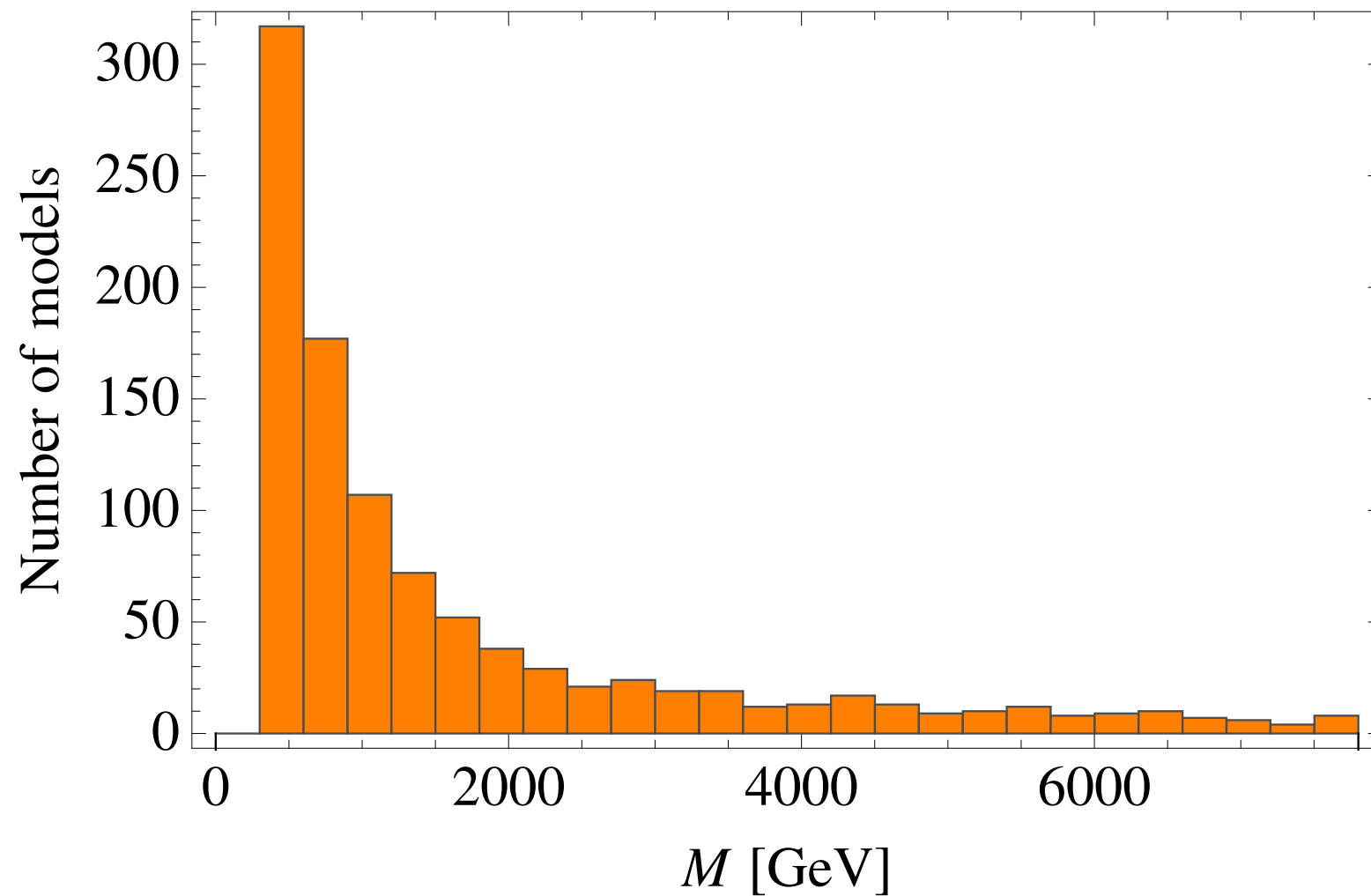
# IRFP & running



- Bi-fundamental fields decouple at scale  $M$

$$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{\Lambda_{\text{dark}}} \approx e^{\frac{2\pi}{b_c \alpha_c^*} \left( 1 - \frac{b_c \alpha_c^*}{b_d \alpha_d^*} \right)}$$

# Model distribution



- Models with DM mass close to proton mass