

DM Bound State Formation in the Sun

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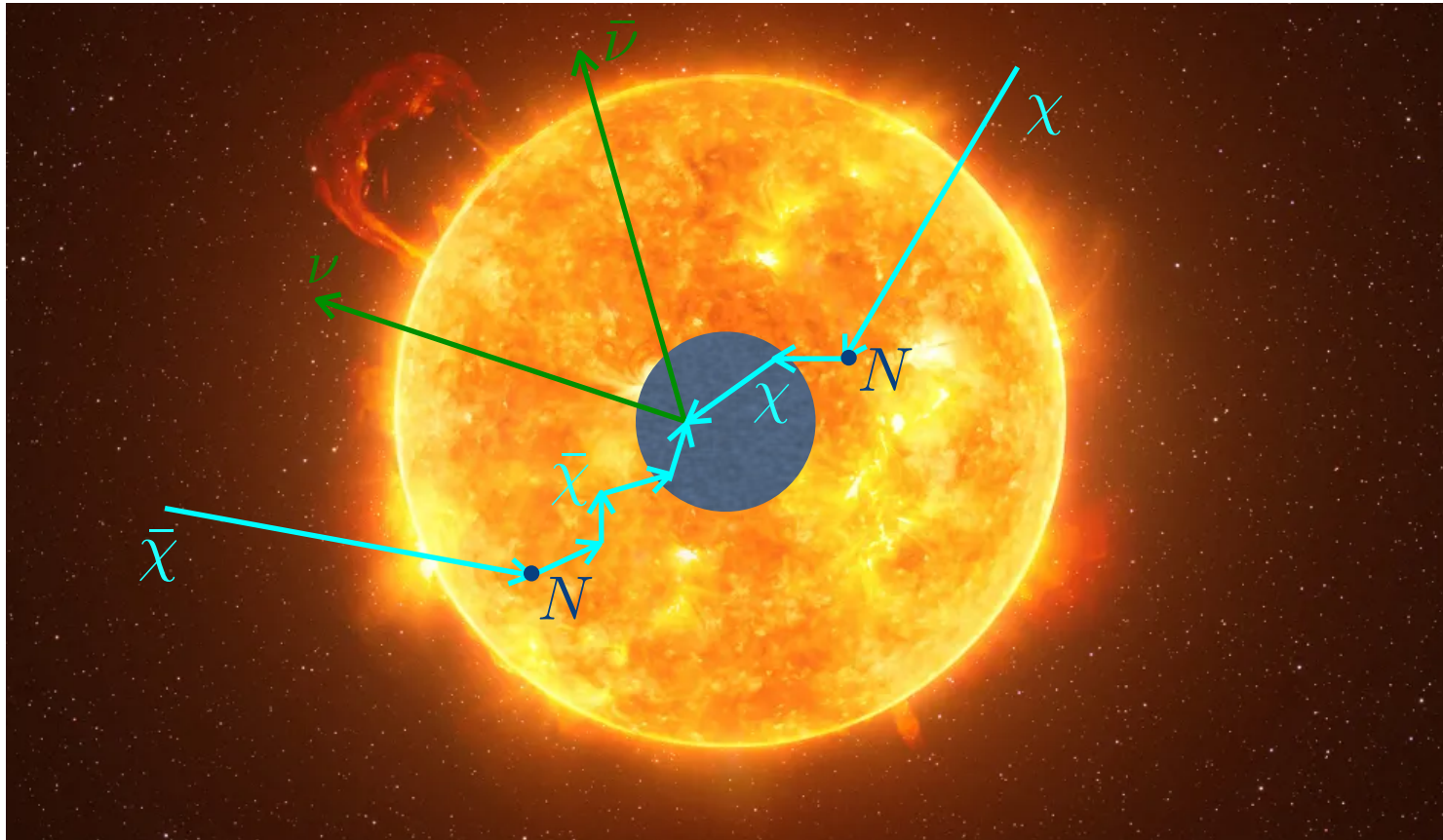
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DM capture in the Sun

Press, Spergel 85'

capture of DM by the Sun through DM-nucleon scatterings, followed by DM annihilation $\Rightarrow$ flux of primary or secondary neutrinos: observable on earth

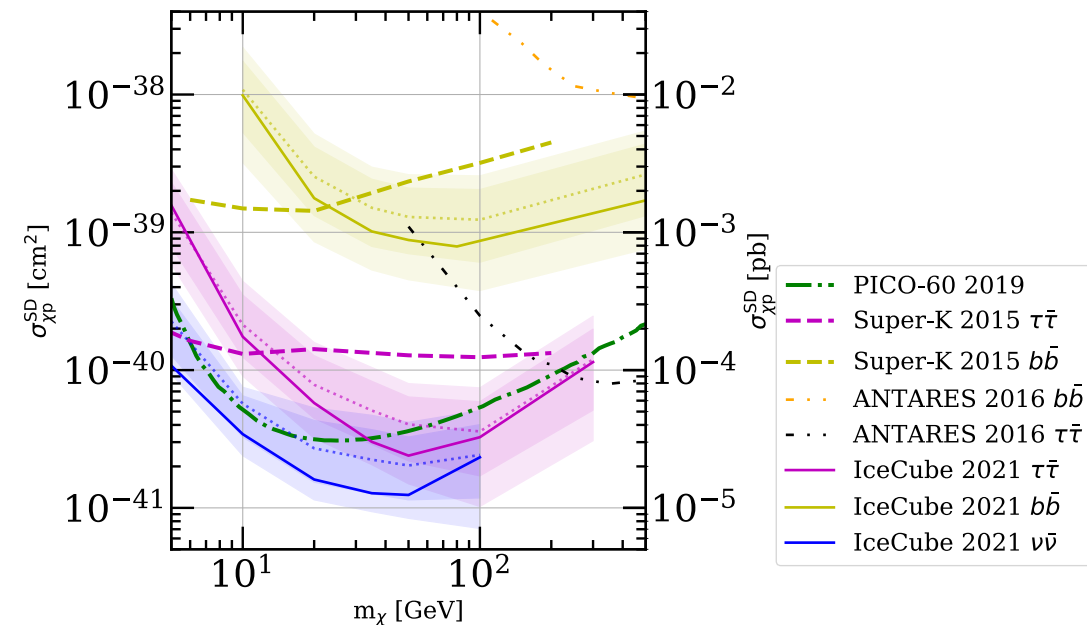
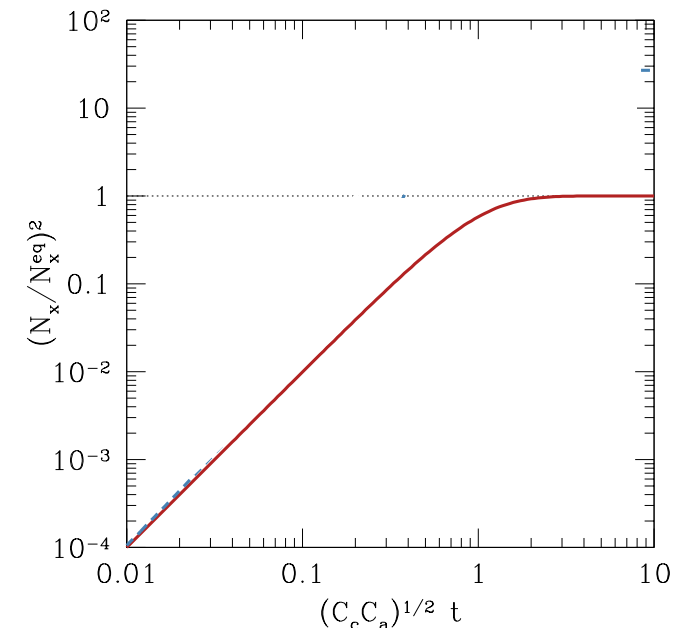


DM capture in the Sun: equilibrium between capture and annihilation

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dN_\chi}{dt} = C_\star - AN_\chi^2$$

$\Rightarrow$ annihilation equilibrates the capture $N_\chi = \sqrt{C_\star/A}$
neutrino flux $f_\nu \propto C_\star$

$\Rightarrow$ upper bound on DM-nucleon
elastic cross section from DM
capture in the Sun
(spin-dependent)



applies to the symmetric DM case because requires annihilation
limited accumulation of DM due to the annihilation

A possibility to probe capture of asymmetric DM in the Sun with large DM accumulation:
Dark matter bound state formation in the Sun

asymmetric DM case:

no more annihilation but still possibility of an observable flux

→ from DM bound state formation

→ allows to emit a flux without destroying the DM particles

→ more DM accumulation and enhanced emitted flux

First step: Capture and thermalization of DM within a DM core

DM capture on nucleons: linear grow of N_χ

$$\frac{dN_\chi}{dt} = C_\star$$

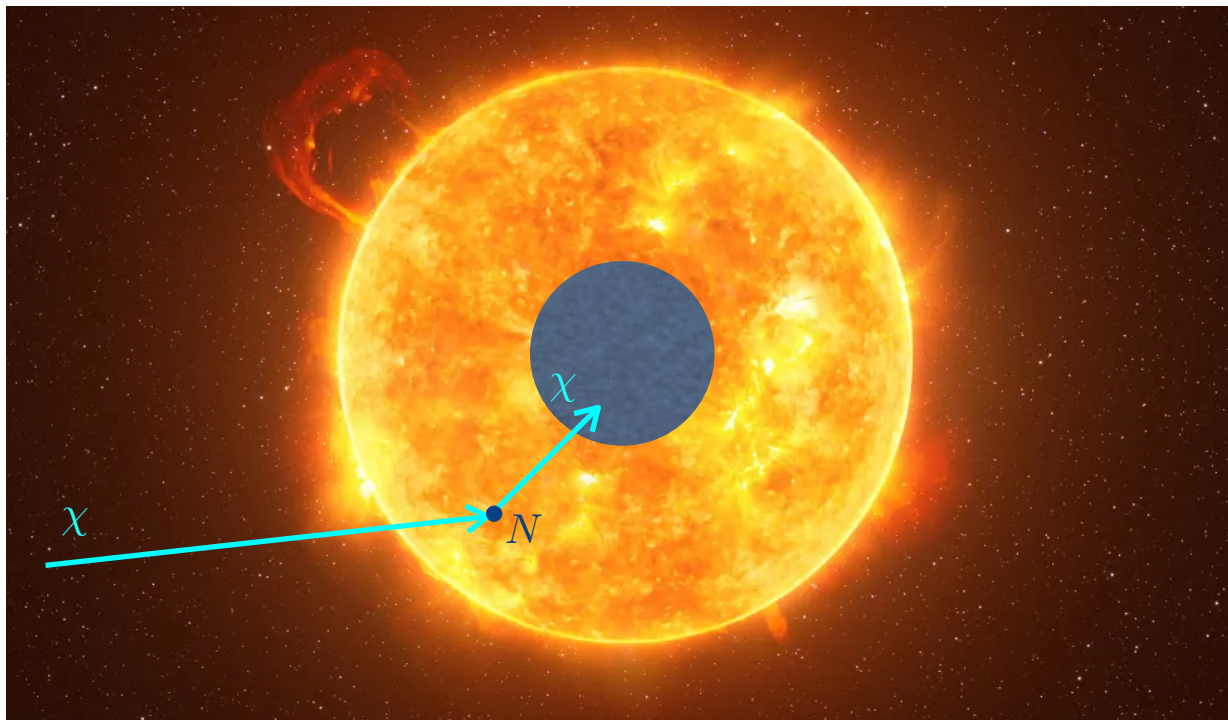
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captured DM particles interact with nucleons and thermalize with them

forming a thermalized core in the center of the Sun: $E_\chi^{kin} \sim \frac{3}{2}T_\odot$

$$\frac{2}{3}\pi G r_{th}^2 \rho_{sun} n m_\chi \sim \frac{3}{2}T_\odot \Rightarrow r_{th} = \left(\frac{9T_\odot}{4\pi G \rho_\odot n m_\chi} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 0.03 R_\odot \left(\frac{T_\odot}{2.2 \text{ keV}} \frac{150 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}}{\rho_\odot} \frac{10 \text{ GeV}}{n m_\chi} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad n = 1 \leftarrow \chi$$



$$\text{for } m_\chi = 3 \text{ GeV} : \frac{r_{th}}{r_\odot} \sim 10\%$$

$$\text{for } m_\chi = 300 \text{ GeV} : \frac{r_{th}}{r_\odot} \sim 1\%$$

$$n_\chi(r, t) = N_\chi(t) \frac{e^{-m_\chi \phi(r)/T}}{\int_0^{R_\odot} e^{-m_\chi \phi(r)/T} 4\pi r^2 dr}$$

$$\phi(r) = \int_0^r GM_\odot(r')/r'^2 dr'$$

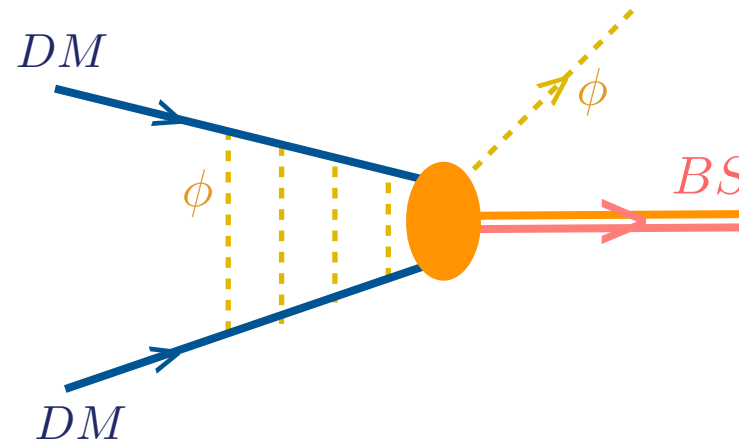
isothermal profile

2nd step: Dark matter bound state formation in the Sun catching up

2 DM particles undergoing an attractive force can form a bound state

→ for instance from a Yukawa interaction with a light scalar ϕ

→ BSF proceeds from the emission of this light scalar

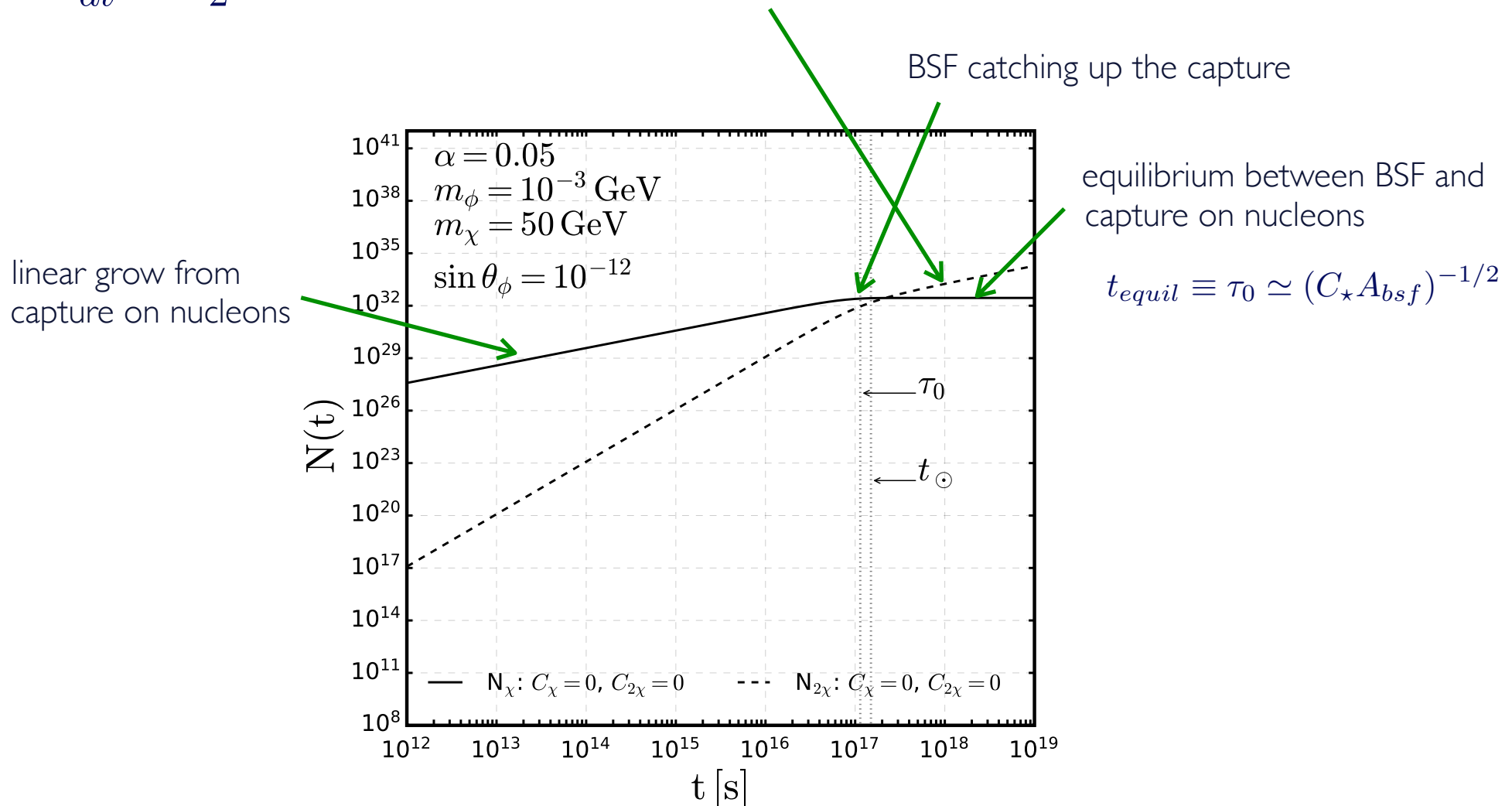


Yukawa potential between 2 identical particle is attractive $V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r}e^{-m_\phi r}$

2nd step: Dark matter bound state formation in the Sun catching up

$$\frac{dN_\chi}{dt} = C_\star - A_{bsf} N_\chi^2 \Rightarrow \text{equilibrium between BSF and capture on nucleons}$$

$$\frac{dN_{2\chi}}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} A_{bsf} N_\chi^2 \Rightarrow \text{BS number do not stop to grow}$$



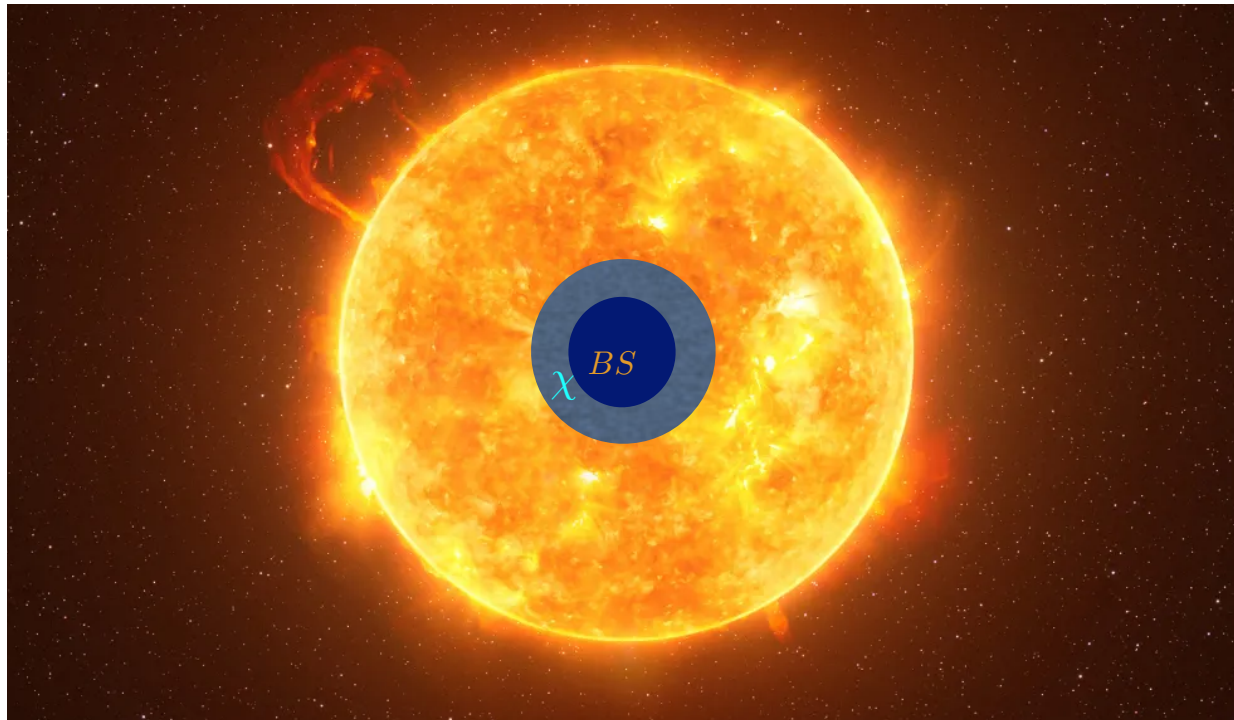
2nd step: Thermal radius for BS

once formed the BS particles thermalize with nucleons

↪ within thermal sphere whose radius is

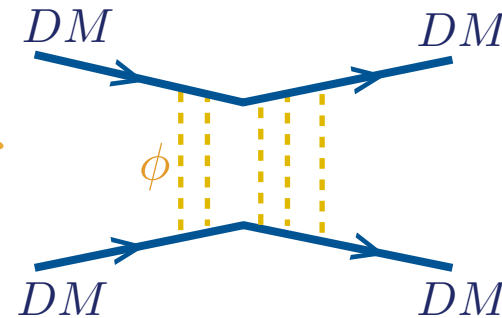
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$$\hookrightarrow r_{th}^{2\chi} = r_{th}^\chi / \sqrt{2}$$



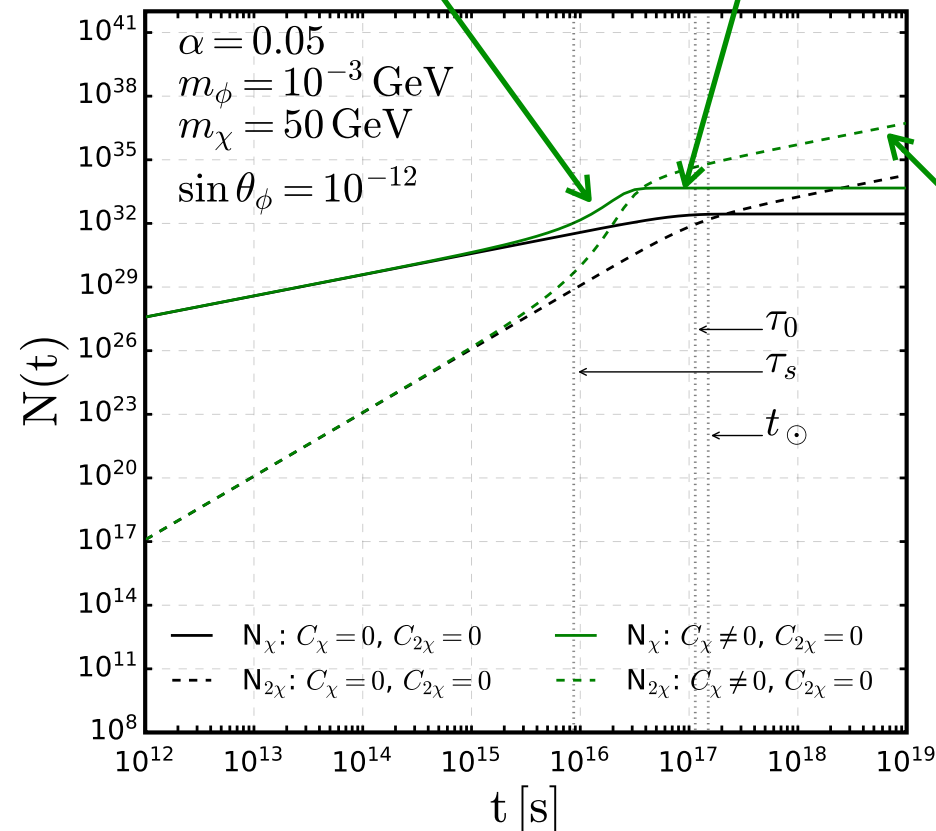
3rd step: DM capture from DM self-interactions: capture on DM

$$\frac{dN_\chi}{dt} = C_\star - A_{bsf} N_\chi^2 + \underbrace{C_\chi N_\chi}_{\text{DM self-interactions}}$$



exponential increase of N_χ

quick equilibrium with BSF



BS number do not stop to grow

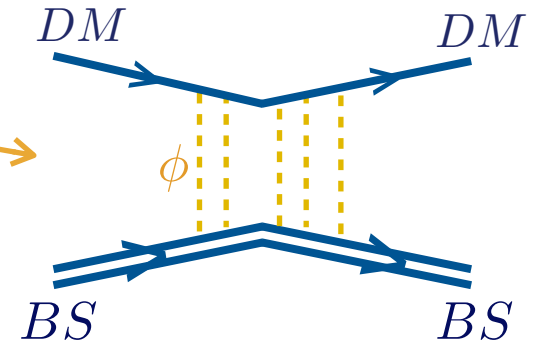
$$\frac{dN_{2\chi}}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} A_{bsf} N_\chi^2$$

4th step: DM capture from DM self-interactions: capture on BS

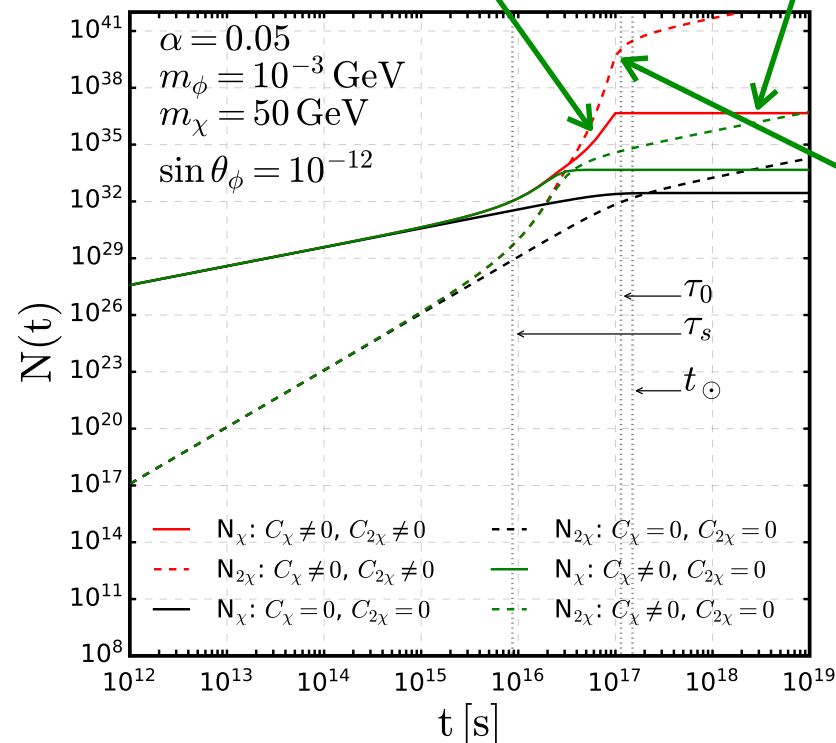
$$\frac{dN_\chi}{dt} = C_\star - A_{bsf} N_\chi^2 + C_\chi N_\chi + \underline{C_{2\chi} N_{2\chi}}$$

$$\frac{dN_{2\chi}}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} A_{bsf} N_\chi^2$$

$$\frac{d^2 N_\chi}{d^2 t} = (-2A_{bsf} N_\chi + C_\chi) \frac{dN_\chi}{dt} + \frac{1}{2} C_{2\chi} A_{bsf} N_\chi^2$$



enhanced exponential increase of N_χ saturation of the geometric rate



BS number does not stop to grow

$$\frac{dN_{2\chi}}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} A_{bsf} N_\chi^2$$

Flux of scalar mediators once the geometric rate is saturated

$$\# \text{ of } \phi \text{ emitted/sec} = \# \text{ of BS created/sec} = \frac{\# \text{ of DM captured/sec}}{2} = \frac{\# \text{ of DM crossing the BS core/sec}}{2}$$

$$\Gamma(t) = \frac{dN_{2\chi}}{dt} \simeq \frac{C_{2\chi}^g}{2}$$

capture geometric rate on BS: $C_{2\chi}^g \approx 2.6 \times 10^{25} \text{ s}^{-1} \left(\frac{10 \text{ GeV}}{m_\chi} \right)^2$ ← can saturate easily

unlike capture rate on
DM or on nucleons

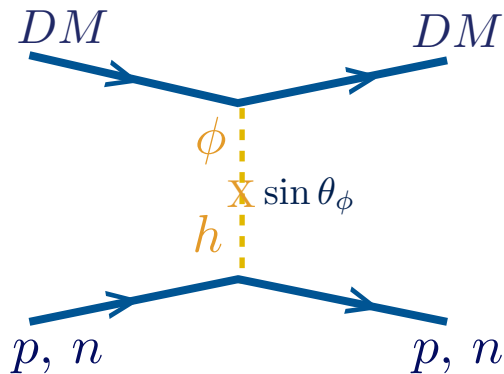
$$\frac{dN_\chi}{dt} = C_\star - A_{bsf} N_\chi^2 + C_{2\chi} N_{2\chi} = C_\star + C_{2\chi}^g - A_{bsf} N_\chi^2 \simeq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad N_{\chi,eq} \simeq \left(\frac{C_{2\chi}^g}{A_{bsf}} \right)^{1/2}$$

Determination of the rates (I)

capture on nucleon rate:

$$C_{\star} \approx \sum_i \int_0^{R_{\odot}} 4\pi r^2 n_i(r) dr \int_0^{\infty} du_{\chi} \left(\frac{\rho_{\chi}}{m_{\chi}} \right) \times u_{\chi} \omega^2(r) f_{\odot}(u_{\chi}) \int_{E_R^{min}}^{E_R^{max}} \frac{d\sigma_i}{dE_R} dE_R \quad \omega(r) = \sqrt{u_{\chi}^2 + v_e(r)^2}$$

here we assume for definiteness that DM-nucleon scattering proceeds through mixing of ϕ with the SM scalar



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} = \frac{g_s^2 \cos^2 \theta_{\phi} \sin^2 \theta_{\phi}}{2\pi} \frac{m_N^2 f_N^2}{v_H^2} \frac{m_N}{\omega^2 (2m_N E_R + m_{\phi}^2)^2} F^2 \left(\frac{E_R}{Q_0} \right)$$

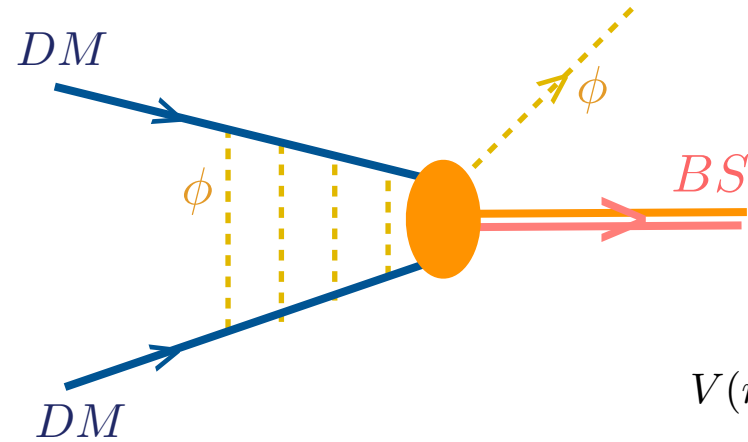
Determination of the rates (2)

BSF rate: $A_{\text{bsf}} = \frac{\int n_\chi^2 \sigma_{\text{BSF}} v dV}{\left(\int n_\chi dV\right)^2}$

$$\sigma_{\text{BSF}} v \simeq \frac{256\pi^2 \alpha^5}{5e^4 m_\chi^2 v_{\text{rel}}},$$

Wise, Zhang 14'

$$\alpha = \frac{y_\phi^2}{4\pi}$$



$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r} e^{-m_\phi r}$$

Yukawa potential between 2 identical particle is attractive

binding energy: $E_{\text{bind}} \simeq \frac{m_\chi \alpha^2}{4} - \alpha m_\phi$: must be larger than m_ϕ

Determination of the rates (3)

capture on DM rate: DM self-interactions

$$C_\chi = \int_0^{r_{th}^\chi} dr 4\pi r^2 n_\chi(r) \int_0^\infty du_\chi \left(\frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \right) u_\chi f_\odot(u_\chi) w^2 \int_{\cos \theta_{\min}}^{\cos \theta_{\max}} \frac{d\sigma_{\chi-\chi}}{d \cos \theta} d \cos \theta$$

$$n_\chi(r, t) = N_\chi(t) \frac{e^{-m_\chi \phi(r)/T}}{\int_0^{R_\odot} e^{-m_\chi \phi(r)/T} 4\pi r^2 dr}$$

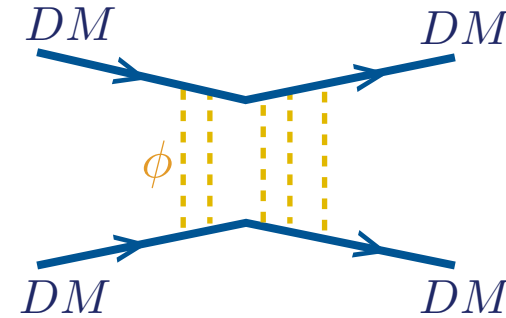
integrating only on kinematical cases which allow capture in one scattering

calculated in semi-classical approximation with partial wave expansion...

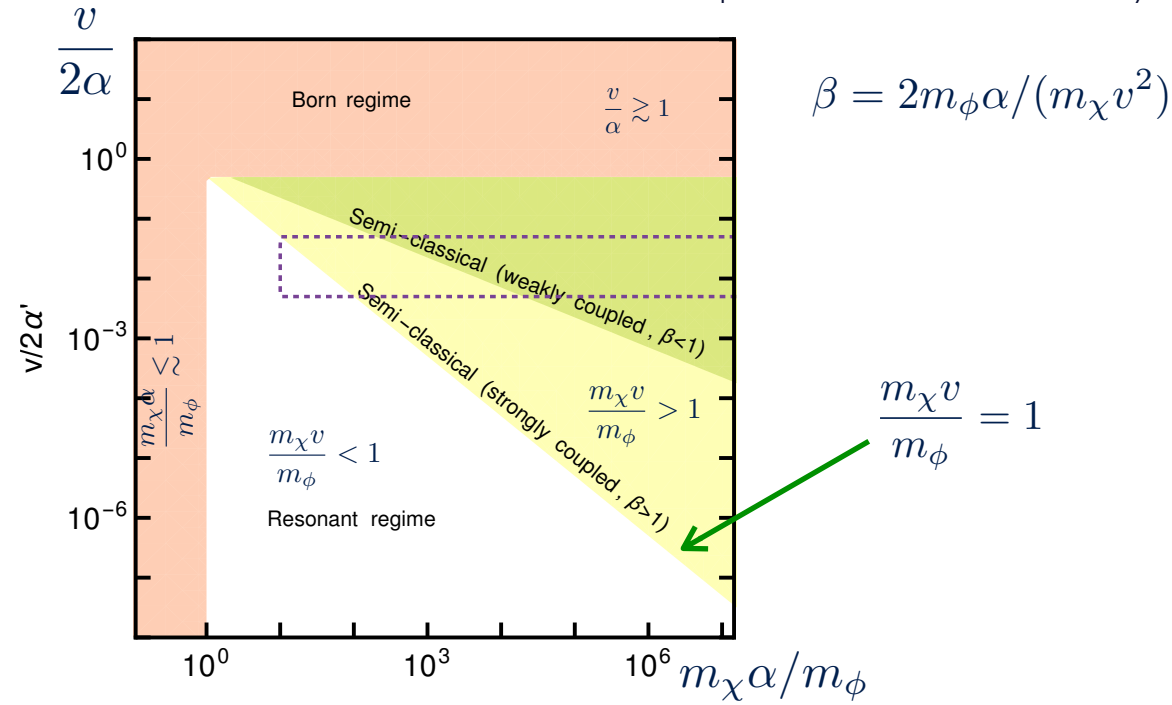
→ range of the Yukawa force $\sim 1/m_\phi$ is much larger than de Broglie wavelength of DM particle $\sim 1/(m_\chi v)$

⇒ elastic cross section can be calculated from Yukawa potential in a classical way

Gould 92',...

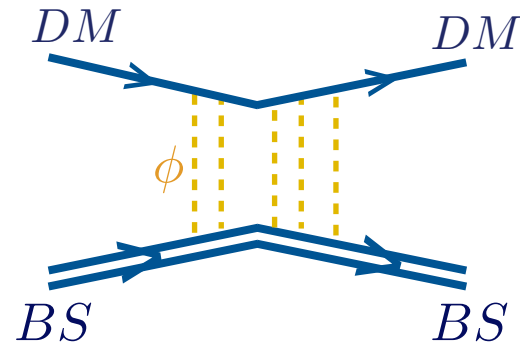


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Determination of the rates (4)

capture on BS rate:



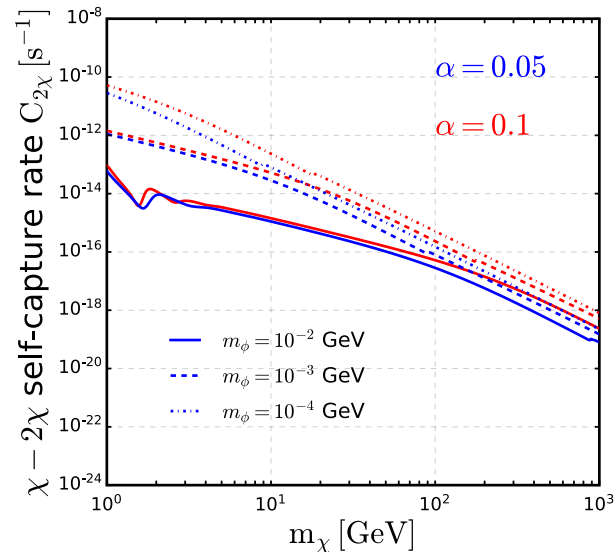
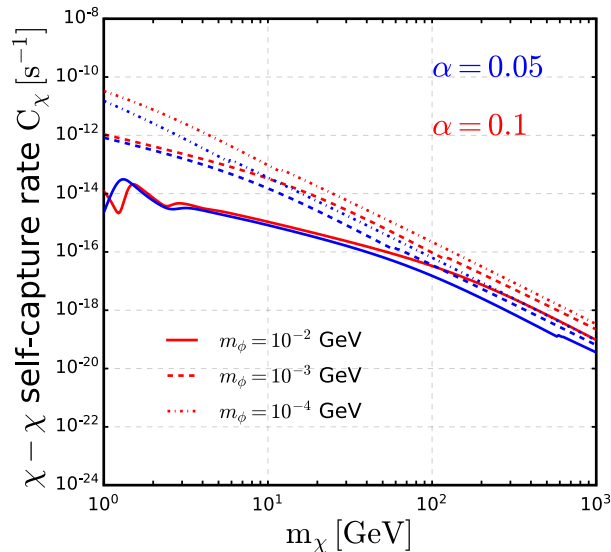
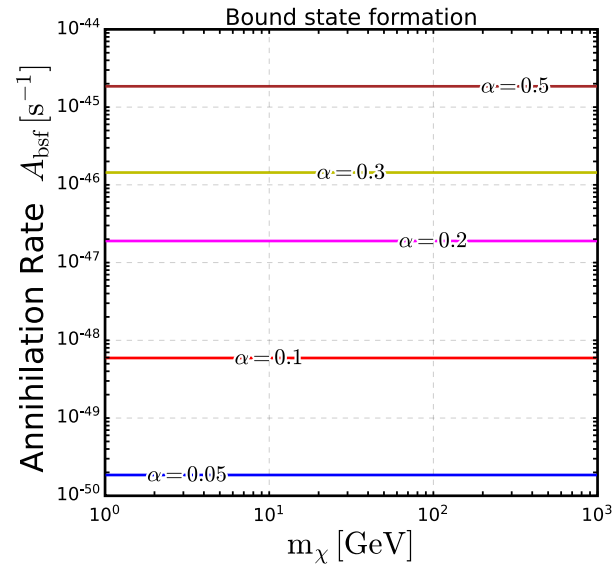
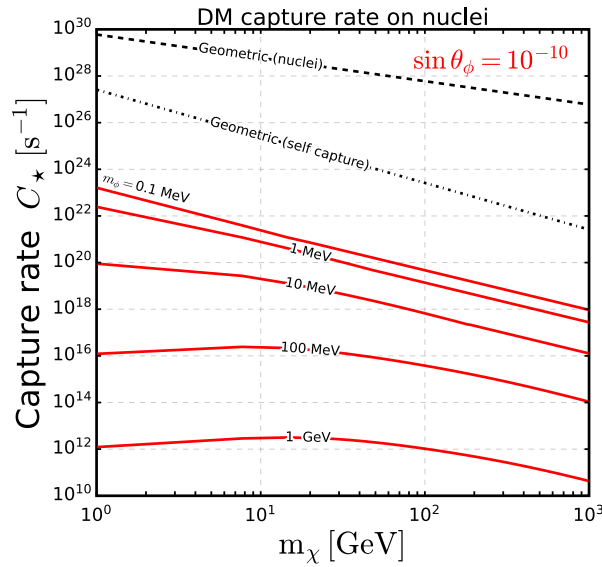
$$C_{2\chi} = \int_0^{r_{th}^{2\chi}} dr 4\pi r^2 n_{2\chi}(r) \int_0^\infty du_\chi \left(\frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \right) u_\chi f_\odot(u_\chi) \omega^2 \int_{\cos\theta_{\min}}^{\cos\theta_{\max}} \frac{d\sigma_{2\chi-\chi}}{d\cos\theta} F_\chi^2 \left(\frac{E_r}{Q_\chi} \right) d\cos\theta$$

↑
 form factor

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Capture on nucleon, BSF, capture on DM and capture on BS rates

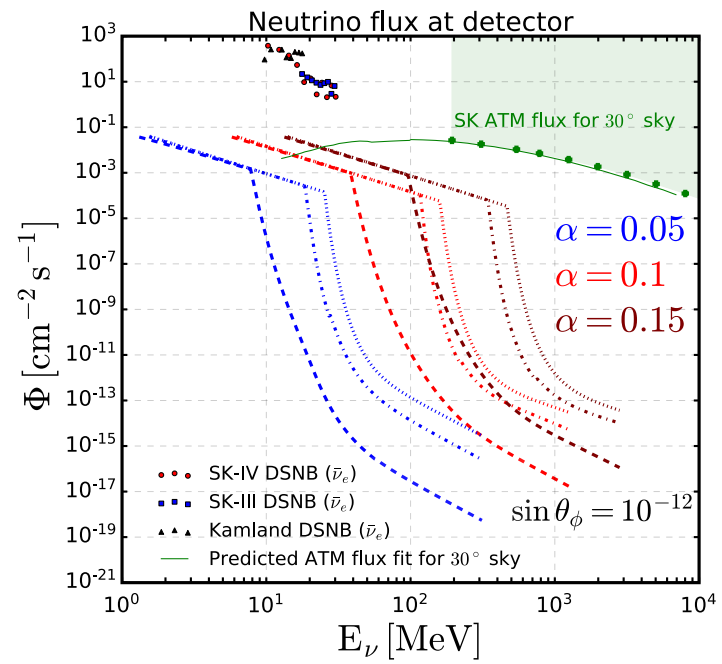
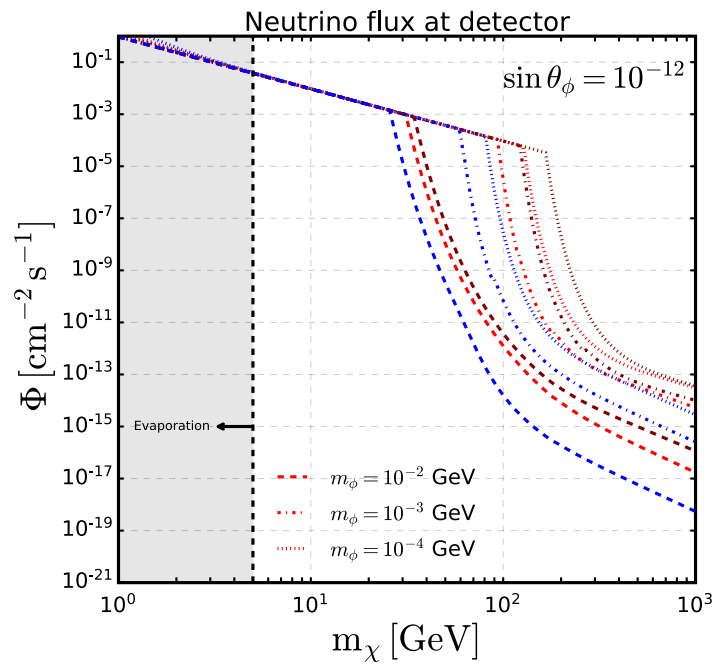
very few parameters entering in all rates and binding energy: m_χ , m_ϕ , $\alpha = \frac{y_\phi^2}{4\pi}$, $\sin \theta_\phi$



Flux of neutrinos reaching the earth

here we assume ϕ , once emitted, decays into 2 neutrinos escaping the Sun

$$E_\nu = \frac{E_{bind}}{2} \simeq \frac{m_\chi \alpha^2}{8} - \frac{\alpha m_\phi}{2}$$



flux of neutrinos from the direction of the Sun, unlike atmospheric neutrinos

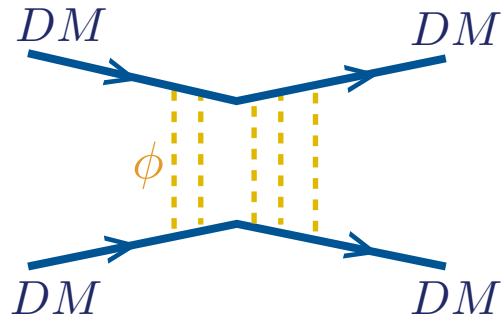
Long list of constraints: a kind of miracle that one can get an observable flux!

the only 4 parameters enter in many relevant quantities and potential extra effects:

$$m_\chi, m_\phi, \alpha = \frac{y_\phi^2}{4\pi}, \sin \theta_\phi$$

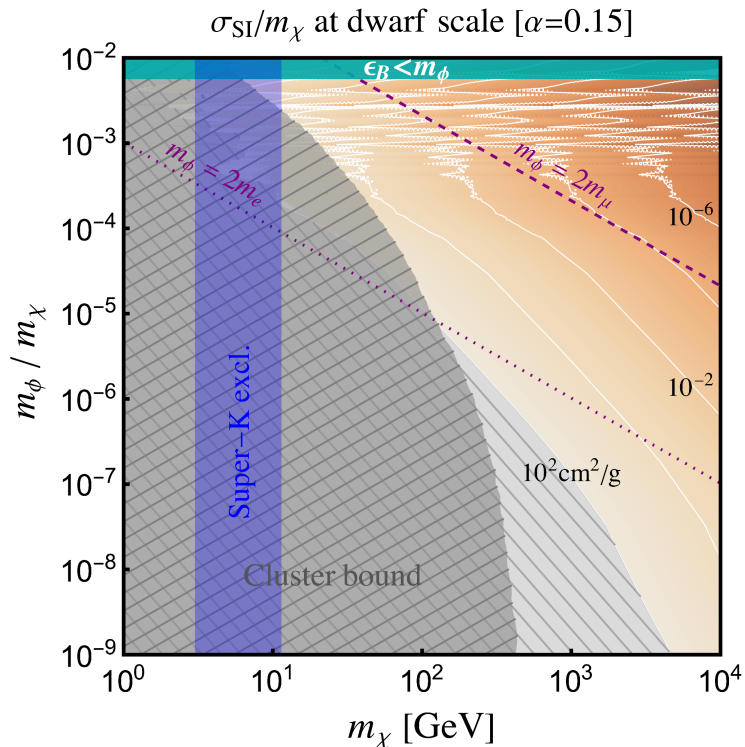
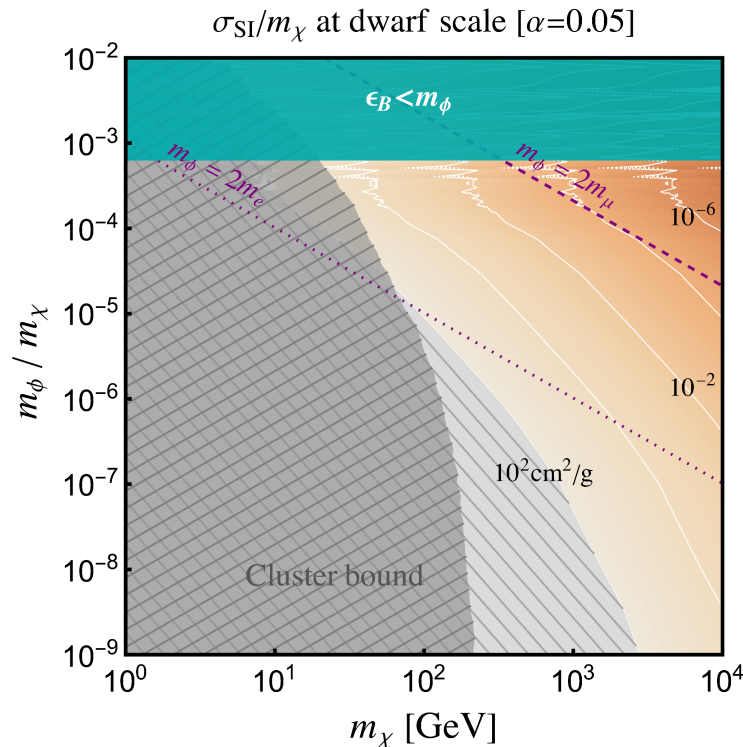
- $C_\star, A_{bsf}, C_\chi, C_{2\chi}$ $\sigma_{\text{BSF}} v \simeq \frac{256\pi^2 \alpha^5}{5e^4 m_\chi^2 v_{\text{rel}}}$ very sensitive to α
- binding energy: $E_{\text{bind}} \simeq \frac{m_\chi \alpha^2}{4} - \alpha m_\phi$: must be larger than m_ϕ
- recoil velocity of bound state: $v_{\text{rec}} = \alpha^2/8$: must be smaller than escape velocity
- thermal radius $\propto 1/m_\chi^{1/2}$  $\alpha \leq 0.18$
- self-capture leading directly to bound state: subleading
- creation of heavier bound state: presumably subleading
- evaporation of DM particles: negligible for $m_\chi \gtrsim 5 \text{ GeV}$
- DM self-interactions
- DM direct detection: same cross section as for capture on nucleons
- DM indirect detection: neutrino flux from BSF in the galactic center
- BBN constraint on ϕ lifetime

DM self-interactions constraints



bullet cluster upper bound: $\frac{\sigma_{\text{SI}}}{m_\chi} \lesssim 0.5 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$ $v \sim 1000 \text{ km/sec}$

small scale anomalies: $0.1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g} \lesssim \frac{\sigma_{\text{SI}}}{m_\chi} \lesssim 10^2 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$ $v \sim 25 \text{ km/sec}$

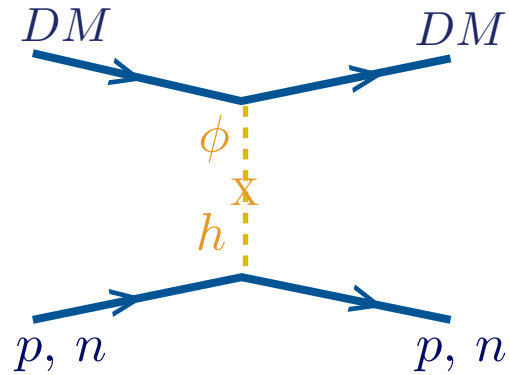


minimal self-interacting DM models with light mediator are in strong tension

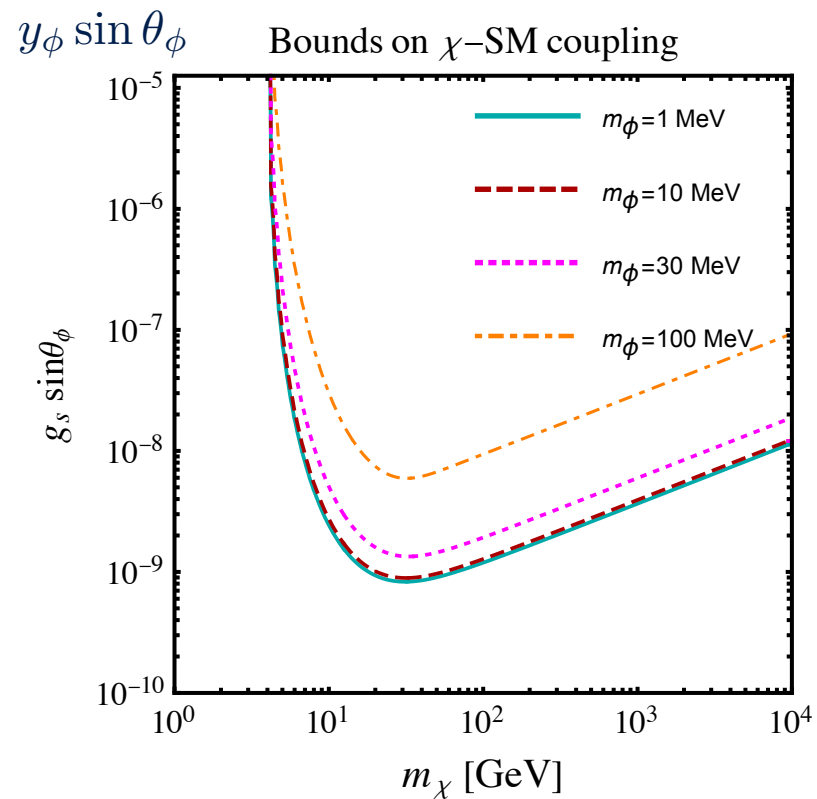
with the many constraints that apply on them but there are minimal ways out *TH, Vanderheyden 19'*

asymmetric self-interacting DM is one of the way to avoid more easily some of the constraints

DM direct detection constraints



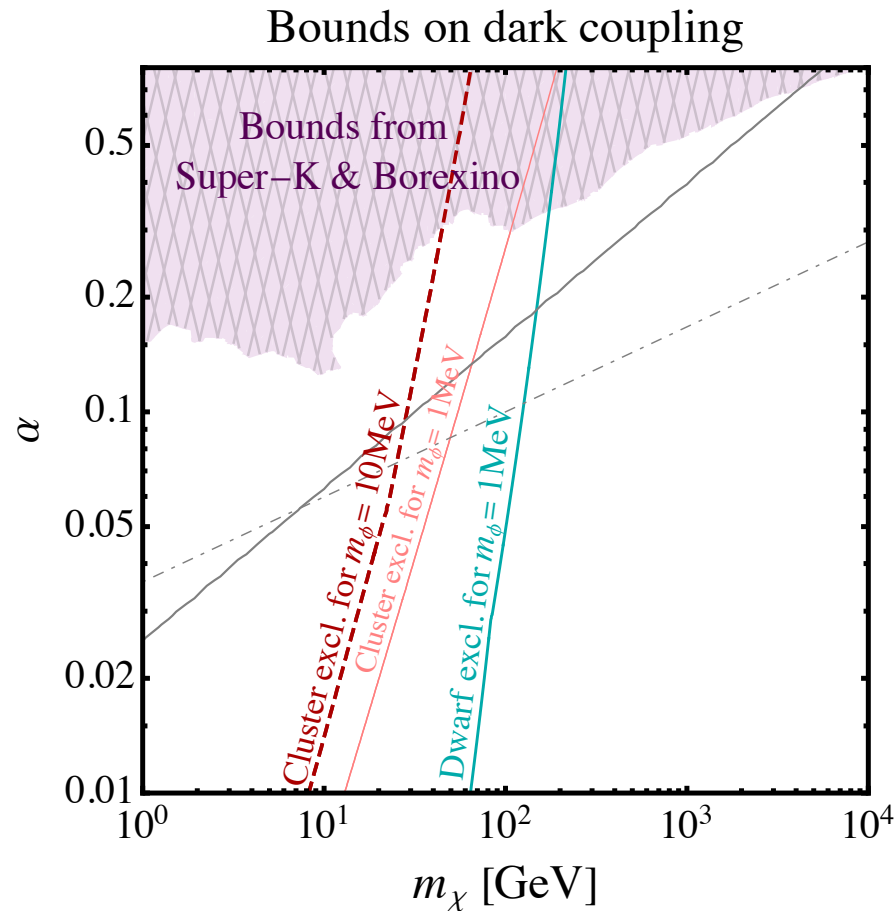
boosted by light
mediator exchange



DM indirect detection constraints (neutrino flux from galactic center)

if BSF in the Sun $\Rightarrow$ unavoidable BSF also in the galactic center

$\hookrightarrow$ flux of neutrinos from galactic center



Example of explicit particle physics model

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}_{N_R} + \bar{\chi} (i\not{\partial} - m_\chi) \chi + \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - g_s \phi \bar{\chi} \chi - \underbrace{V(\phi, H)}_{\phi\text{-}h \text{ mixing}}$$
$$-\mathcal{L}_{N_R} = \underbrace{Y_\nu \bar{N} L \cdot H}_{\nu\text{-}N \text{ seesaw mixing}} + \frac{m_N}{2} \bar{N}^c N + \underbrace{Y_\phi \phi \bar{N}^c N}_{\phi \rightarrow \nu\nu \text{ decay}} + \text{h.c.}$$

Summary

Captured DM could form DM bound states in the center of the Sun

↪ for instance from DM Yukawa interaction with light scalar

- allow to emit a flux of particles for asymmetric DM and without destroying DM
- the BS provide additional targets for capturing DM in the Sun from DM self-interact.

↪ induced by same Yukawa interact.

↪ can allow large exponential increase of DM capture in the Sun

↪ exponentially increased flux of emitted particles

- can lead to observable flux of 10 MeV-1 GeV neutrinos
- rich and around the corner associated phenomenology

↪ DM direct detection

DM self-interactions

DM indirect detection from galactic center

Lower bound on scalar mixing for thermalization of DM

