

# Light Thermal Dark Matter Beyond $p$ -Wave Annihilation in Minimal Higgs Portal Model

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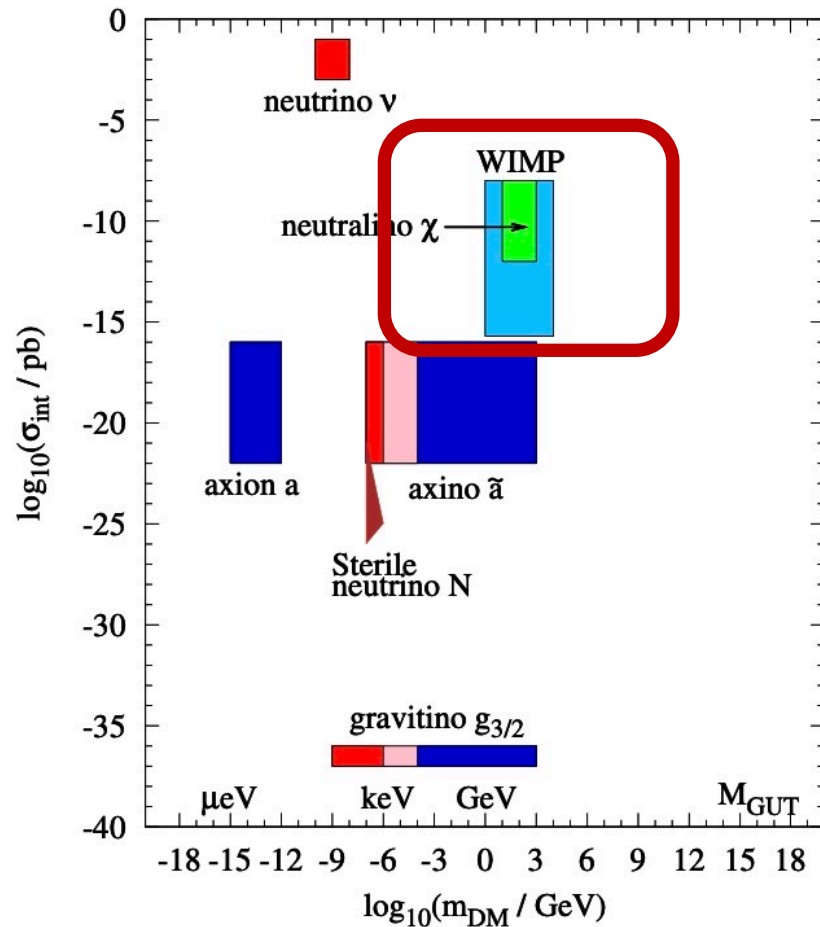
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# Outline

- **A brief introduction to sub-GeV dark matter**
- **minimal dark matter model: one Majorana DM + one new singlet scalar mediator (arXiv: 2403.02721, accepted by JHEP )**
- **Summary**

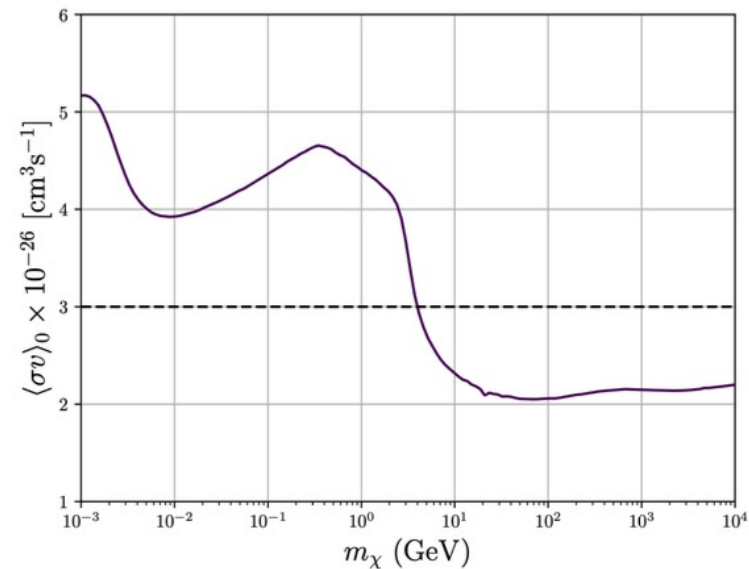
# WIMPs

For decades, WIMPs have been the preferred DM candidates



► WIMPs naturally give correct relic density via freeze-out.

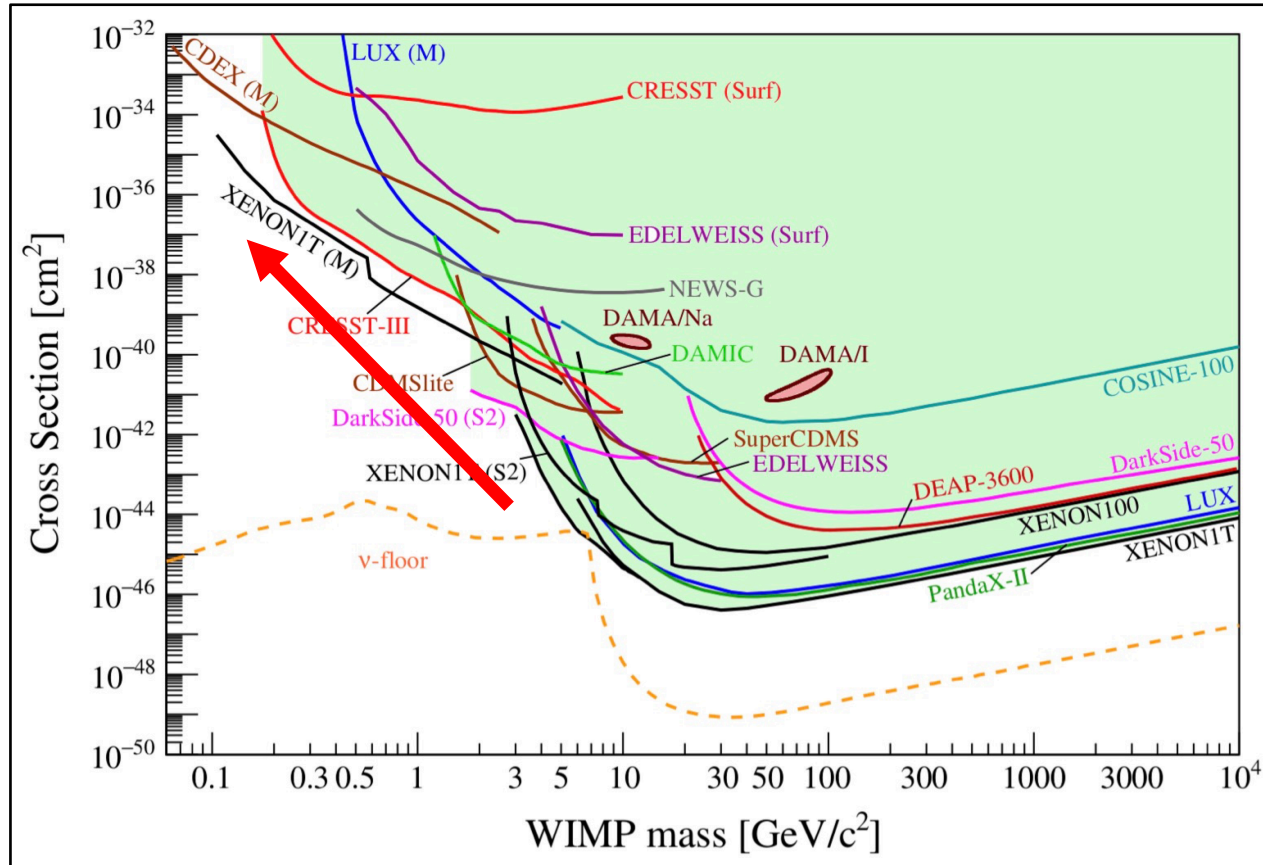
$$\frac{\Omega_\chi h^2}{0.12} \sim \left( \frac{2 \times 10^{-9} \text{GeV}^{-2}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \right) \left( \frac{80}{g_\star} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{x_f}{23} \right)$$



► Models with NP at EW scale (e.g. Naturalness or Hierarchy Problem) often accommodate a EW scale DM candidate.

# WIMPs Crisis or MeV DM Opportunity?

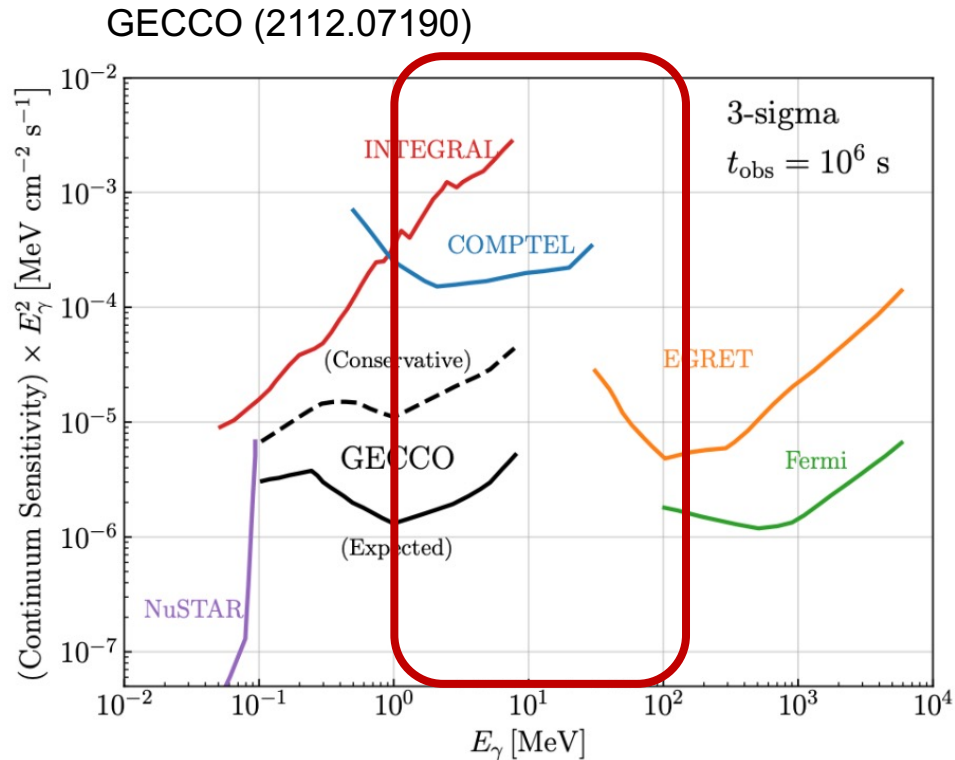
Neutrino floor is coming and No evidence for WIMPs!



- ▶ DM mass region above GeV is highly constrained by direct detection ;
- ▶ Sub-GeV DM still has a large parameter space;
- ▶ The search for sub-GeV DM is turning to indirect detection.

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# Future Indirect Detection : Great opportunity to explore MeV dark matter



| Telescope         | Status             | Energy Range      | Reference                   |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>INTEGRAL</i>   | On 2002 October 17 | 15 keV to 10 MeV  | 0801.2086<br>1107.0200      |
| <i>e-ASTROGAM</i> | 2029               | 0.3 MeV to 3 GeV  | 1711.01265                  |
| <i>COSI</i>       | 2025               | 0.2 MeV to 5 MeV  | 2109.10403                  |
| GECCO             | ?                  | 0.1 MeV to 8 MeV  | 2112.07190                  |
| AMEGO             | ?                  | 0.2 MeV to 10 GeV | 1907.07558                  |
| VLAST             | ?                  | 100 MeV to 20 TeV | chinaXiv:202203.00<br>033V2 |

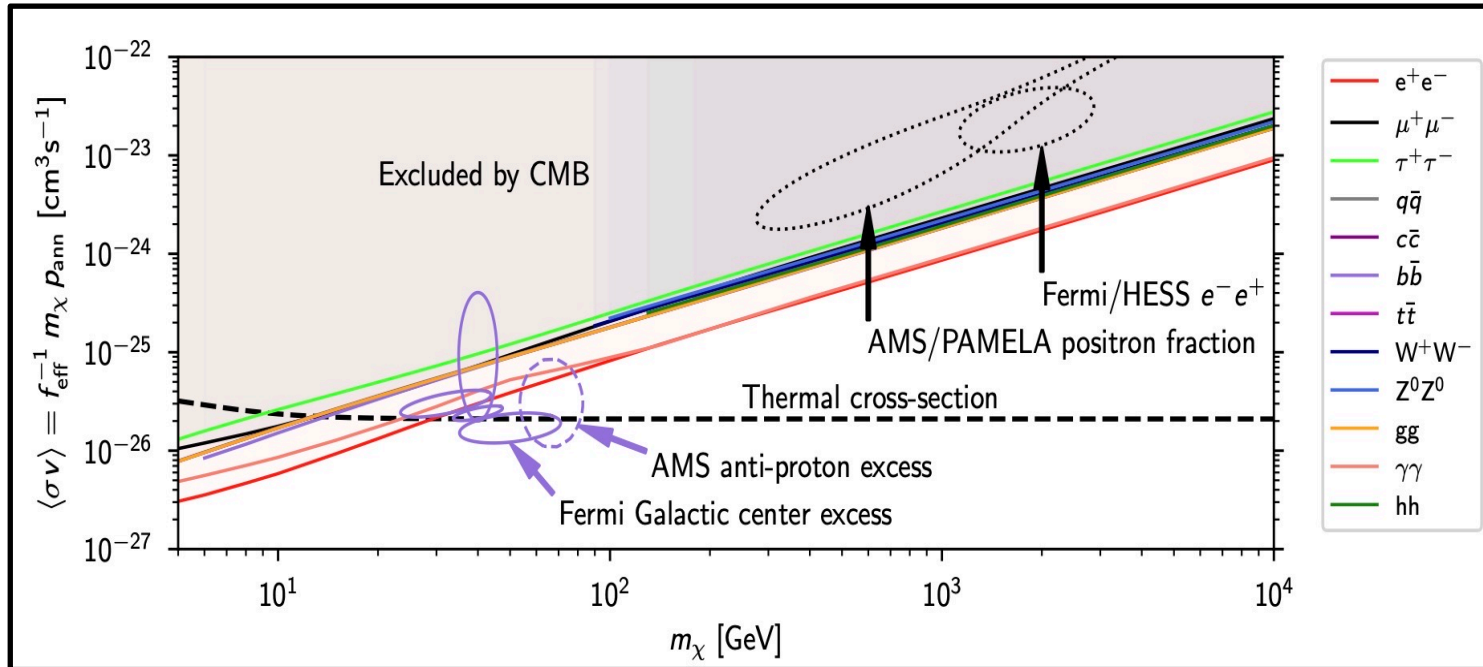
► In the past few decades, there have been no good telescopes focused on the **MeV Gap**

► Fortunately, many new MeV telescopes have been proposed in recent years.

# The challenge to MeV Dark matter: CMB

Planck 2018 constraints on DM mass and annihilation cross section

$$\langle\sigma v\rangle \simeq a + bv^2$$



**s-wave ( $b = 0$ )**

- ▶ s-wave dark matter annihilations with masses less than 1GeV would be difficult to escape CMB limits

**p-wave ( $a = 0$ )**

- ▶ p-wave dark matter annihilation can satisfy the CMB but the cross section at the present time is too small to be observed.

**Can we find a sub-GeV DM signal in future telescope but also escape from CMB limits ?**

# Basic and minimum Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\chi}(i\not{\partial} - m_{\chi})\chi + \frac{1}{2}(\partial\Phi)^2 - \frac{c_s}{2}\Phi\bar{\chi}\chi - \frac{c_p}{2}\Phi\bar{\chi}i\gamma_5\chi - V(\Phi, H),$$

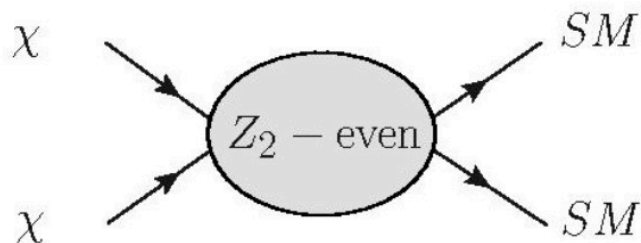
Majorana DM

SM singlet scalar

Scalar interaction  
(p-wave)

Pseudo-scalar interaction  
(s/s+p-wave)

Mixing between New  
scalar and SM Higgs



**s-channel  
annihilation**

*A minimum setup:*

**one singlet Majorana DM + one SM singlet scalar  
mediator.**

# Cosmological & astrophysical constraints

|                         | Likelihood    | Constraints  |
|-------------------------|---------------|--|
| Relic abundance         | Gaussian      | $\Omega_\chi^{\text{exp}} h^2 = 0.1193 \pm 0.0014$ [10];<br>$\sigma_{\text{sys}} = 10\% \times \Omega_\chi^{\text{th}} h^2$ .  |
| Equilibrium             | Conditions    | either $(\Gamma_{\chi\text{SM}}^{\text{FO}} \geq H_{\text{FO}})$ , or<br>$(\Gamma_{\chi\text{SM}}^{\text{FO}} \geq H_{\text{FO}} \text{ and } \Gamma_{\chi\phi}^{\text{FO}} \geq H_{\text{FO}})$ |
| DM direct detection     | Half Gaussian | $9 \text{ GeV} < m_\phi < 10 \text{ TeV}$ (LZ [12]),<br>$3.5 \text{ GeV} < m_\phi < 9 \text{ GeV}$ (PANDAX-4T [13]),<br>$60 \text{ MeV} < m_\phi < 5 \text{ GeV}$ (DarkSide [11]).               |
| $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$ | Half Gaussian | $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} < 0.17$ for 95% C.L. [10]   |
| BBN                     | Conditions    | if $(m_\phi \geq 2m_\pi)$ then $\tau_\phi \leq 1 \text{ s}$ [15],<br>if $(m_\phi \leq 2m_\pi)$ then $\tau_\phi \leq 10^5 \text{ s}$ [16].  |

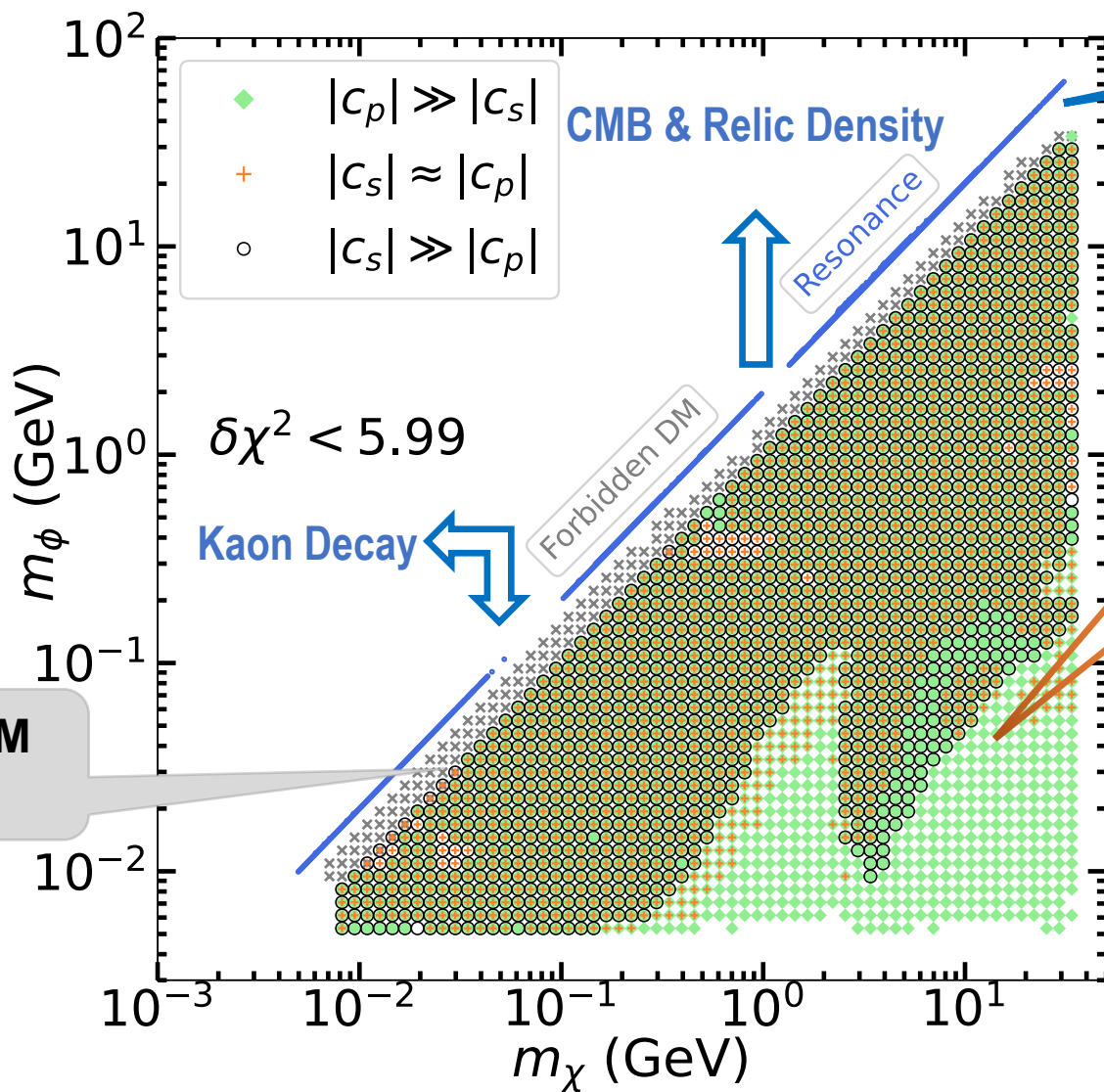
Based on previous work: JHEP 07(2019)050  
(Red indicates update limits)

# Collider experiments constraints

|             | $\phi$ signature | Constraints   |
|-------------|------------------|---|
| Higgs decay | Prompt*          | See the upper limits of $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \phi\phi)\text{BR}(\phi \rightarrow ll)^2$ from Fig. 12 of Ref. [19] and Fig. 7 of Ref. [23].  |
|             | Displaced*       | See Ref. [20, 21]   |
|             | Long-lived*      | $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \text{inv.})_{\text{BSM}} \leq 0.145$ [24]   |
| B decay     | Prompt           | $\text{BR}(B^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm \mu^- \mu^+) \lesssim 3 \times 10^{-7}$ [31]   |
|             | Displaced        | (1) $\sin^2 \theta \gtrsim 2 \times 10^{-8}$ for the region<br>$0.5 < m_\phi / \text{GeV} < 1.5$ and $1 < c\tau_\phi / \text{cm} < 20$ [34]<br>(2) See Fig. 5 of Ref. [33] for details.   |
|             | Long-lived       | $P_p \text{BR}(B^\pm \rightarrow K^\pm \nu \bar{\nu}) \leq 2.4 \times 10^{-5}$ [35]   |
| Kaon decay  | Prompt           | (1) $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^+) \leq 4 \times 10^{-8}$ [36]<br>(2) $\text{BR}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 e^- e^+) \leq 2.8 \times 10^{-10}$ [37]<br>(3) $\text{BR}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu^- \mu^+) \leq 3 \times 10^{-10}$ [38] |
|             | Displaced        | CHARM detected events $\gtrsim 2.3$ [43]  |
|             | Long-lived*      | (1) $\text{BR}(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0 \nu \bar{\nu}) \leq 3.0 \times 10^{-9}$ [25]<br>(2) See $\text{BR}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$ limits from Fig. 18 of Ref. [39] and Fig. 4 of Ref. [18] for details.                             |



# Result 01 : $(m_\chi, m_\phi)$



**Resonance state**  
( $m_\phi \approx 2m_\chi$ )

**( $m_\chi > m_\phi$ )**  
**Direct Detection**  
**Constraint**

**Elastic scattering between DM and nuclei**

$$\sigma_{\chi N} \approx \frac{\mu_{\chi N}^2}{\pi m_H^4} [Zf_p + (A-Z)f_n]^2 \left[ \lambda_{\chi s}^2 + \lambda_{\chi p}^2 \frac{q^2}{4m_\chi^2} \right],$$

Tree level

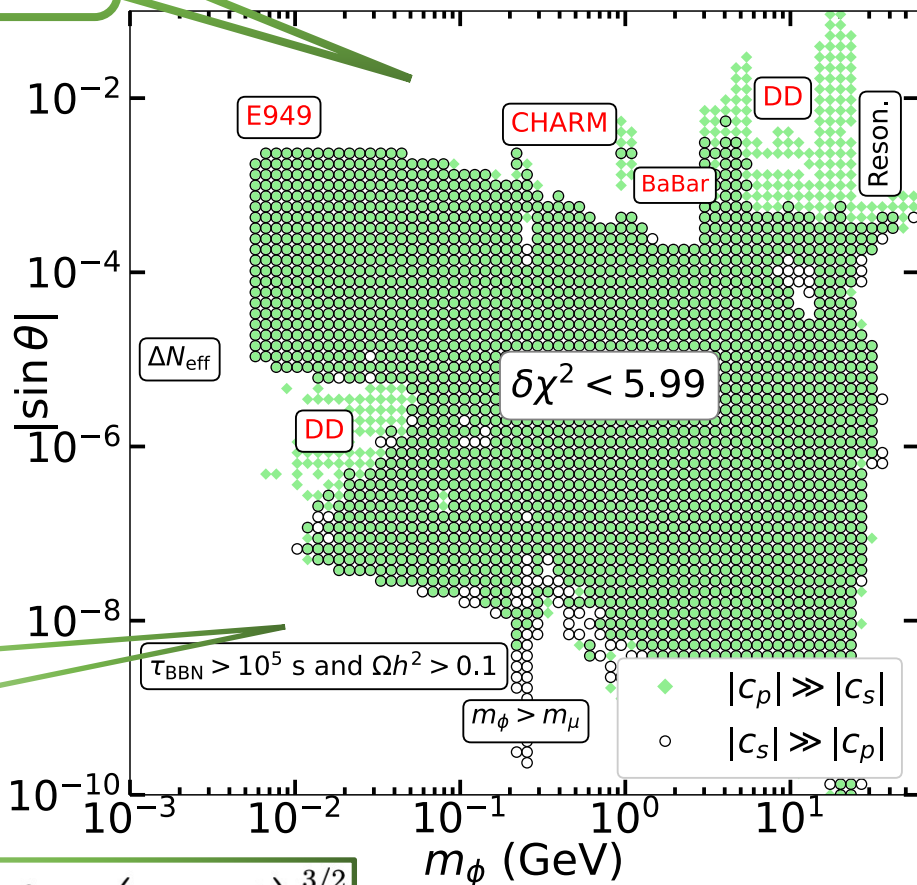
Loop level

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# Result 02: $(m_\phi, |\sin\theta|)$

**Collider constraints**

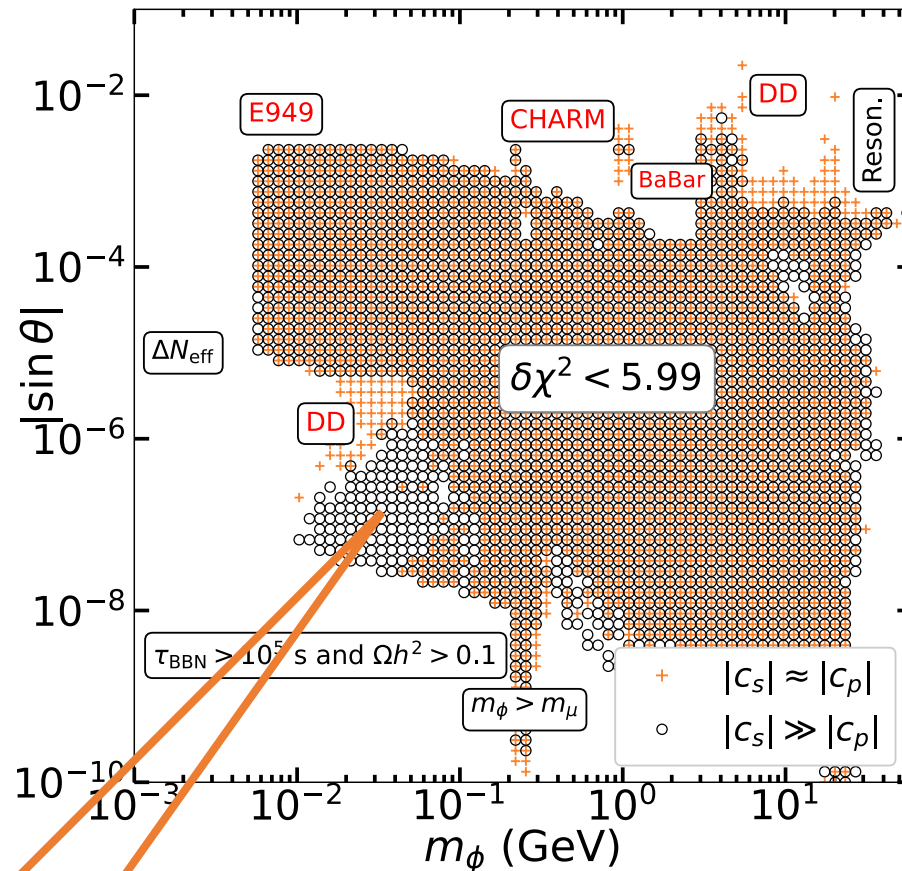
$(\sin\theta < 10^{-2})$



**BBN constraint**

$(\sin\theta > 10^{-8})$

$$\Gamma(\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-) = \sin^2 \theta \times \frac{m_e^2 m_\phi}{8\pi v_H^2} \left(1 - \frac{4m_e^2}{m_\phi^2}\right)^{3/2}$$

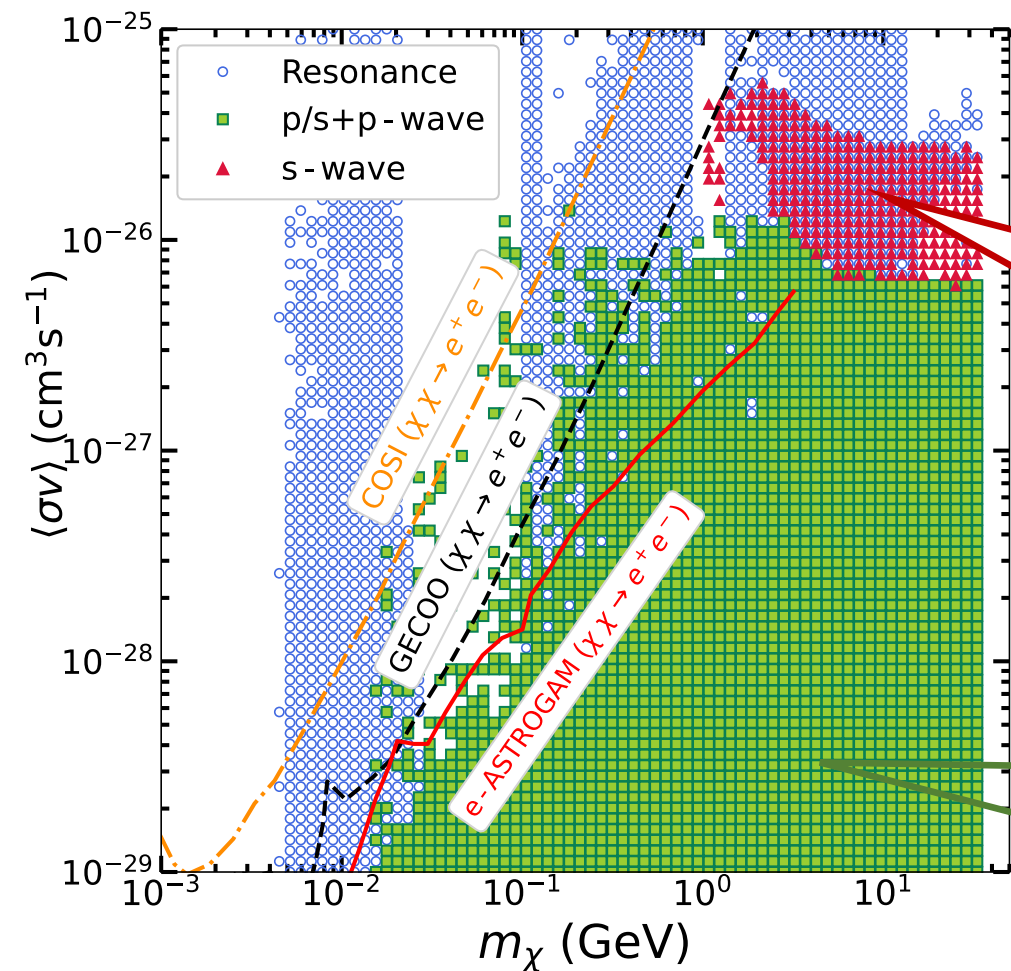


**CMB constraint**

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow \phi\phi$$

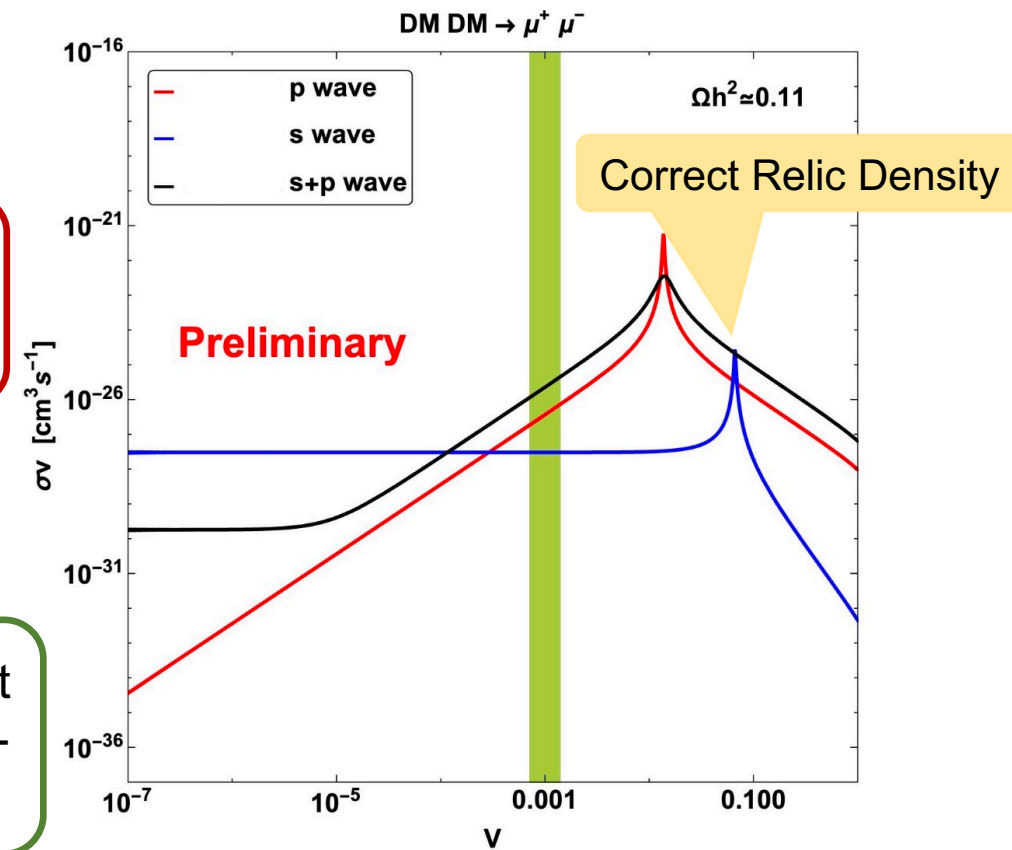
$$\langle\sigma v\rangle \propto (c_s \times c_p)^2$$

# Result 03: Indirect Detection



s-wave DM can survive in the mass range above 1 GeV

p-wave DM can meet all constraints in sub-GeV range

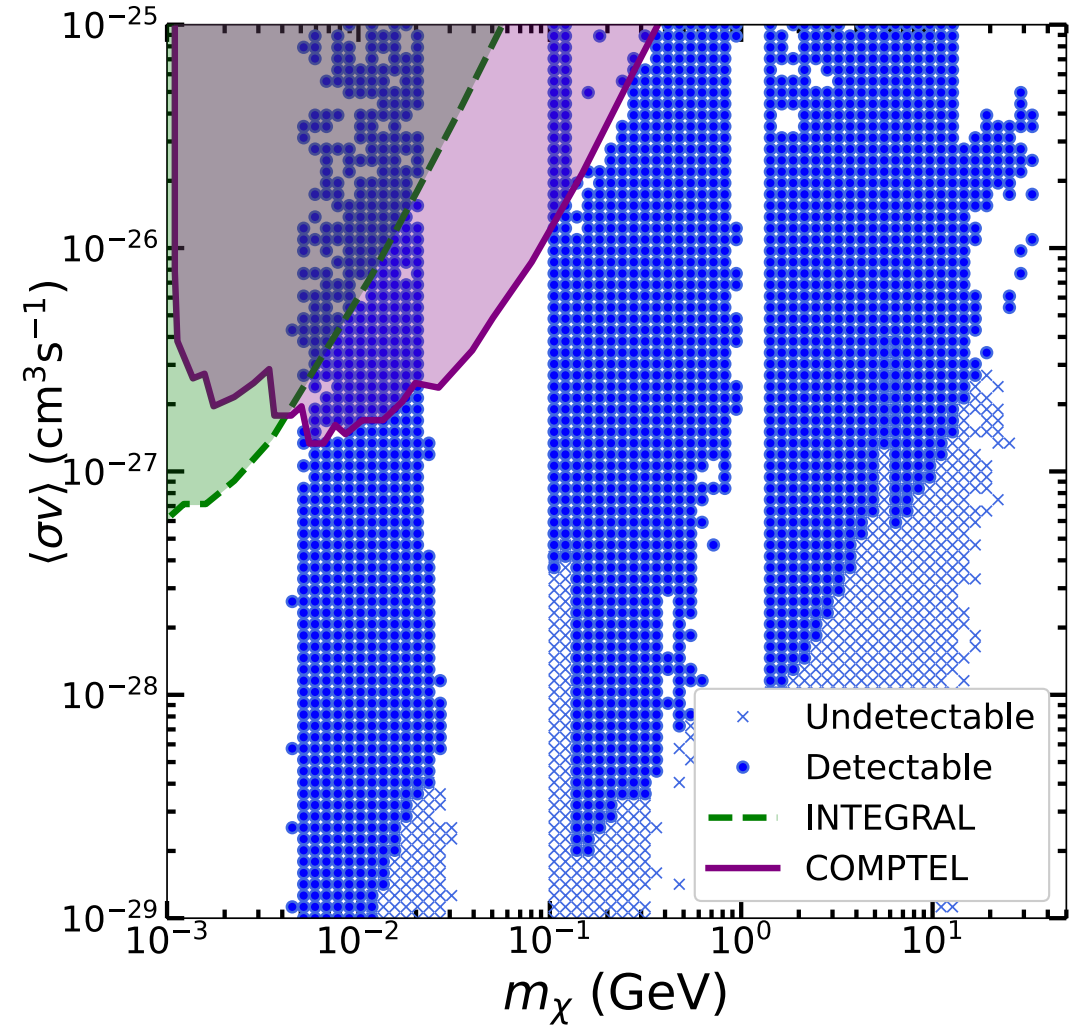
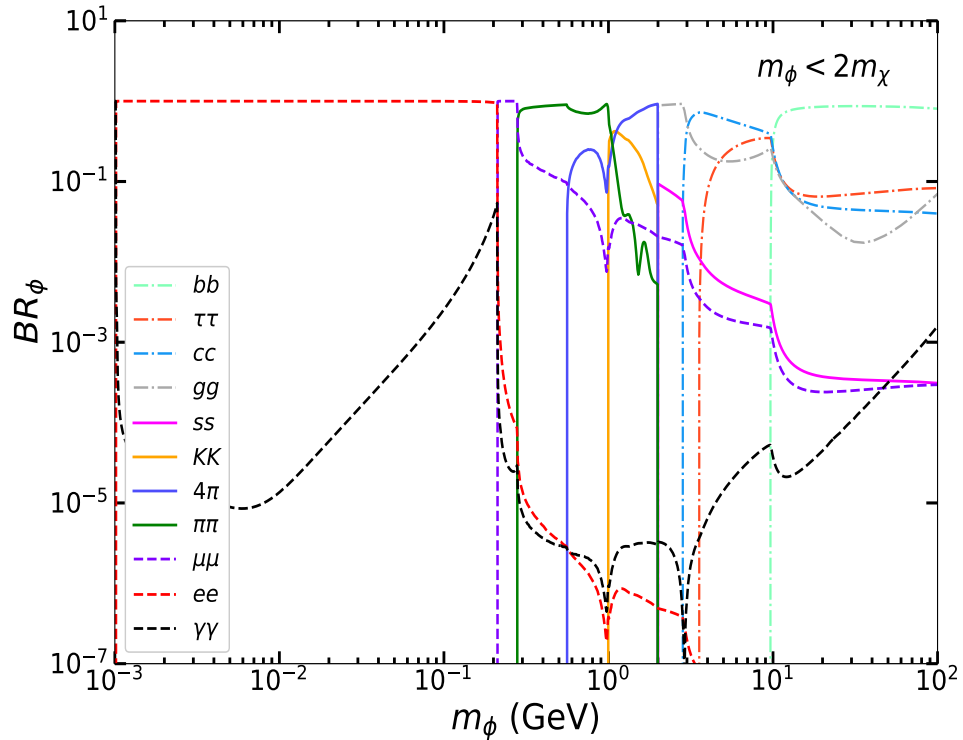


Only resonant state can be observed in future indirect detection experiments!

# Result 04: Indirect Detection with Breit-Wigner Resonance

$$\sigma = \frac{16\pi}{E_{\text{cm}}^2 \bar{\beta}_i \beta_i} \frac{M^2 \Gamma^2}{(E_{\text{cm}}^2 - M^2)^2 + M^2 \Gamma^2} B_i B_f$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{ann},95} = \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{e^-e^+,95} \cdot N_{e^-e^+}}{\sum_i BR_i N_i}$$



# SUMMARY

- Sub-GeV DM is a new window to be probed, and the parameter space is finite;
- The constraints are from CMB, cosmological observations, collider searches and direct detection experiments;
- We find that sub-GeV DM through p-wave can escape CMB constraint, but only the resonance state can offer a promising prospect in the future indirect detection.

**THANK YOU !**

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