
Cosmological Constraints on Dark Matter Interactions with Ordinary Matter

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Outline

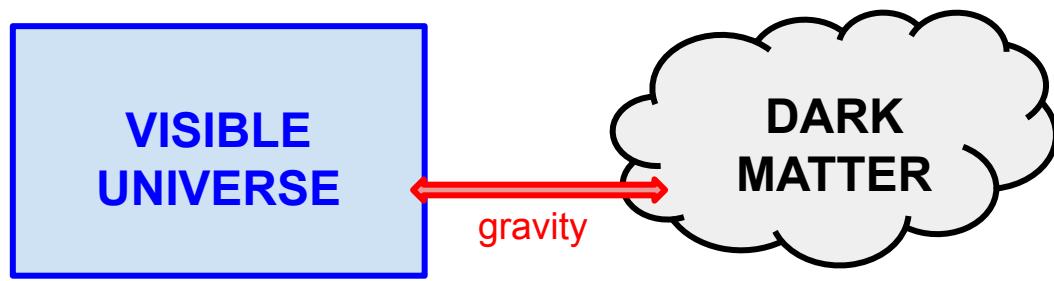
1. Motivation
2. Dark Matter – baryon interactions
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I. Motivation

Dark Matter

Evidence (relies on gravity)

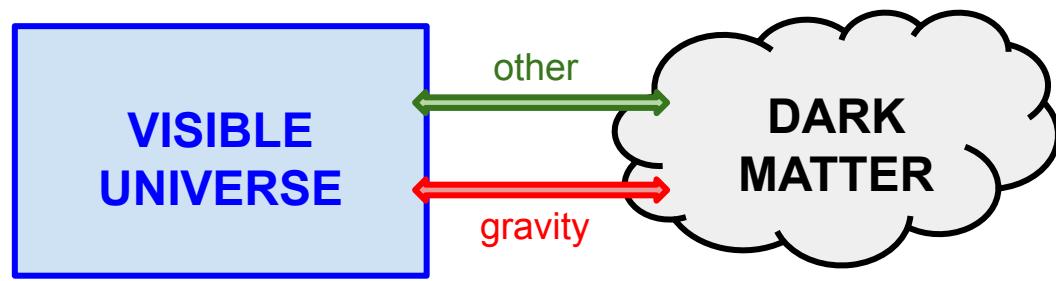
- Galactic rotation curves
 - MOND? Cf. [1910.06345](#),
[2008.04065](#), etc. etc.
- Bullet Cluster
- Distance Ladder (SNe)
- Cosmic Microwave Background



Dark Matter

Searches (beyond gravity!)

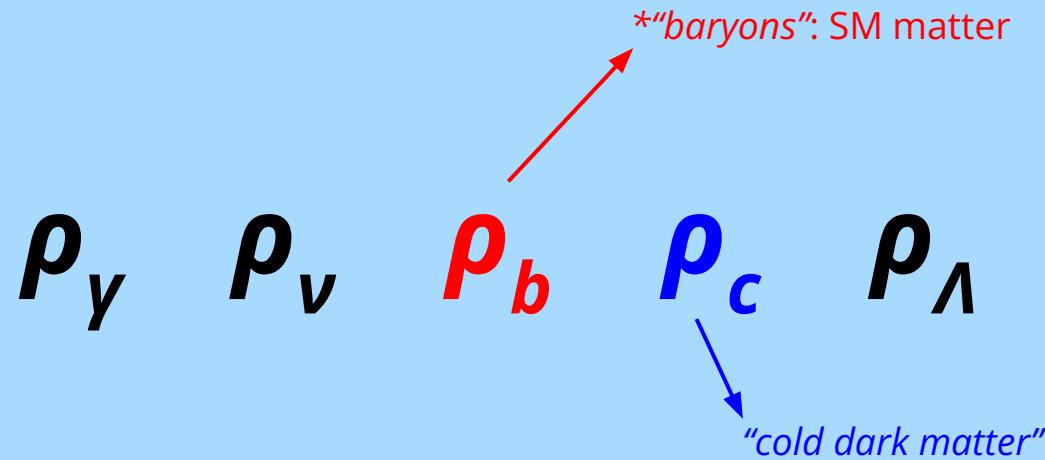
- Direct Detection
- Indirect Detection
- Collider Physics
 - (search for “*invisibles*”)
- Cosmology
 - *Complementary!*
 - at different times and scales
 - independent of attenuation, thresholds, local densities or distributions, coherent scalings...



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$\rho_y \quad \rho_v \quad \rho_b \quad \rho_c \quad \rho_\Lambda$

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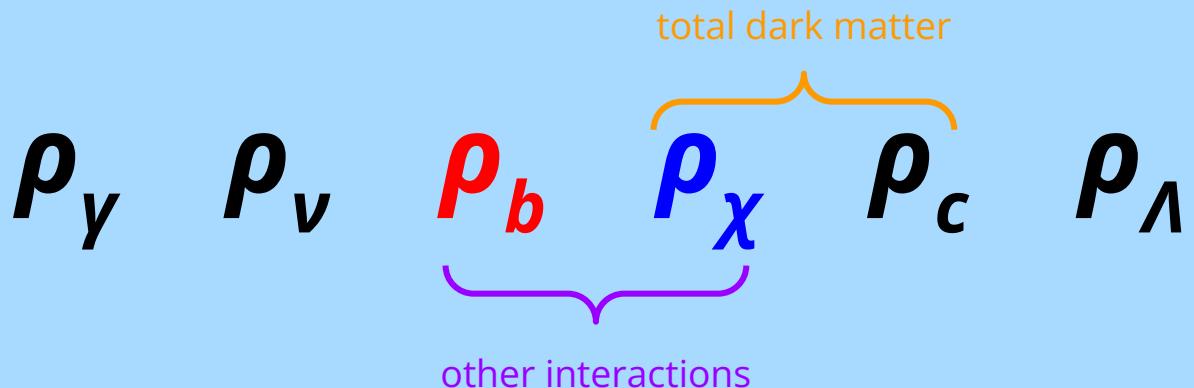


Λ CDM+

$\rho_y \quad \rho_v \quad \underbrace{\rho_b \quad \rho_c}_{\text{other interactions}} \quad \rho_\Lambda$

II. Dark Matter–baryon interactions

DMb



Dark Matter – baryon interactions (DMb) $\chi^B \rightarrow \chi^B$

B : baryon species (p or e)

- Momentum-Transfer cross section: $\sigma_T^{\chi^B} = \int_{-1}^{+1} d\cos\theta_* \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_*} (1 - \cos\theta_*)$
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Particle physics origin:

- **$n=0$:** contact interactions (i.e. heavy mediator)
- **$n=-2$:** dipole-moment
- **$n=-4$:** Coulomb-like (e.g. light mediator)
- **$n>0$:** [Nguyen et al. '21] non-Maxwell Boltzmann [Ali-Haimoud '18 & '21]

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cooling expansion
(*b*: photon bath thermal contact)

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DM_b heat
exchange rate:

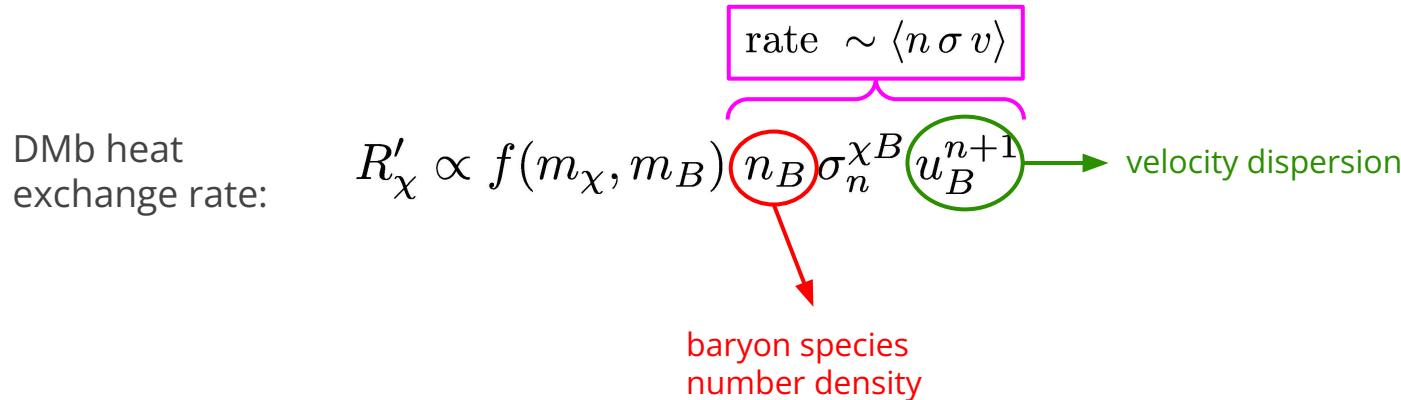
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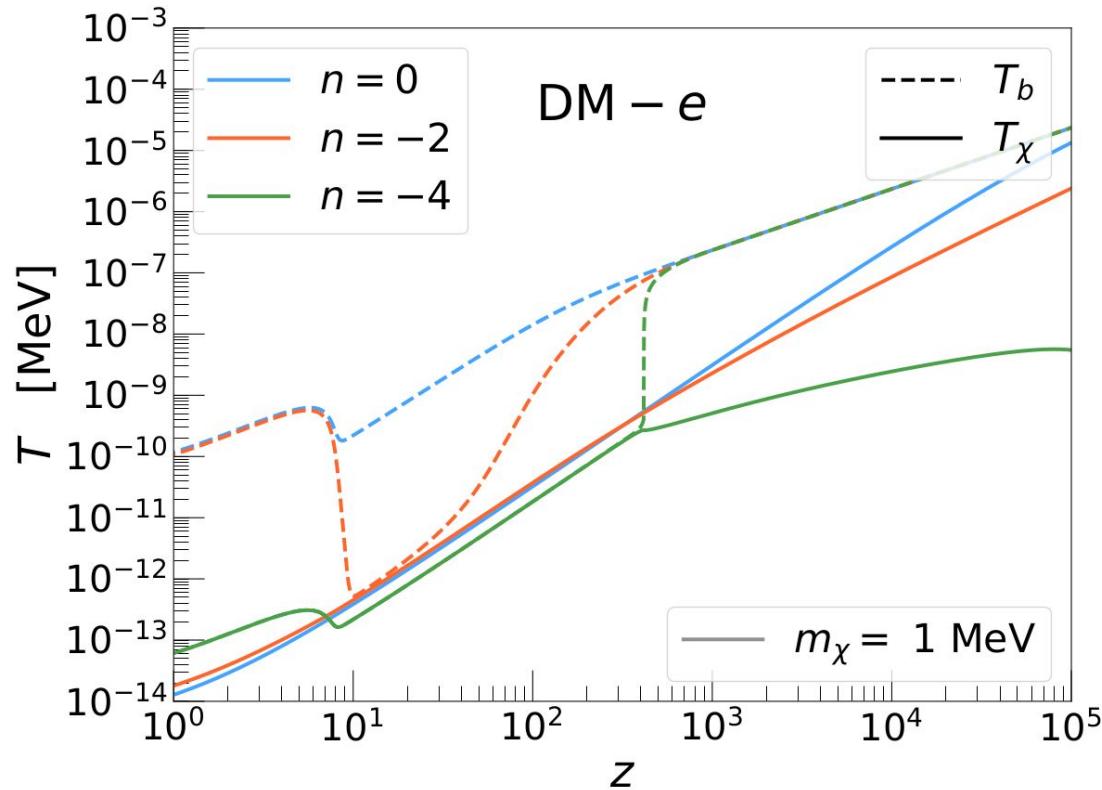
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Hubble expansion, Poisson source,
fluid sound speed

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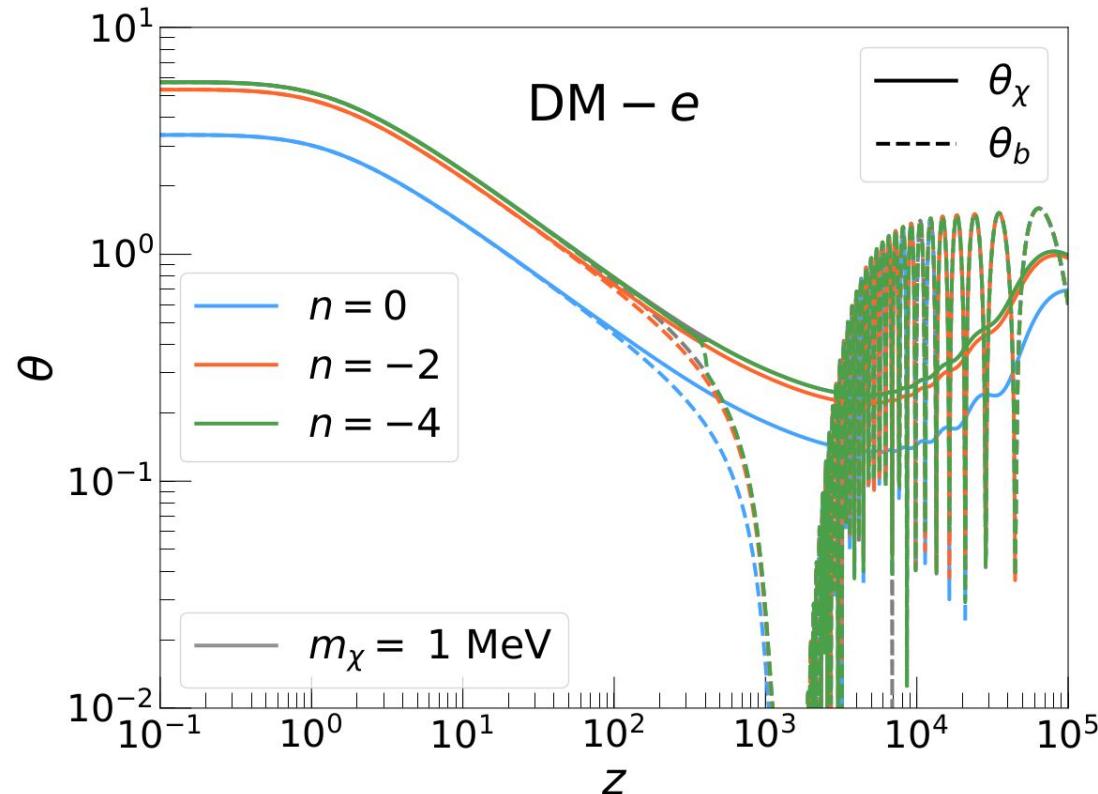
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rate $\sim \langle n \sigma v \rangle$

baryon species
number density

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DMb: impact on observables

1. Implement DMb:

- In temperature evolution
- In perturbations evolution (e.g. velocity divergence)

2. Compute impact on observables

- Cosmic Microwave Background (TT, TE, EE, lensing)
- Matter Power Spectrum

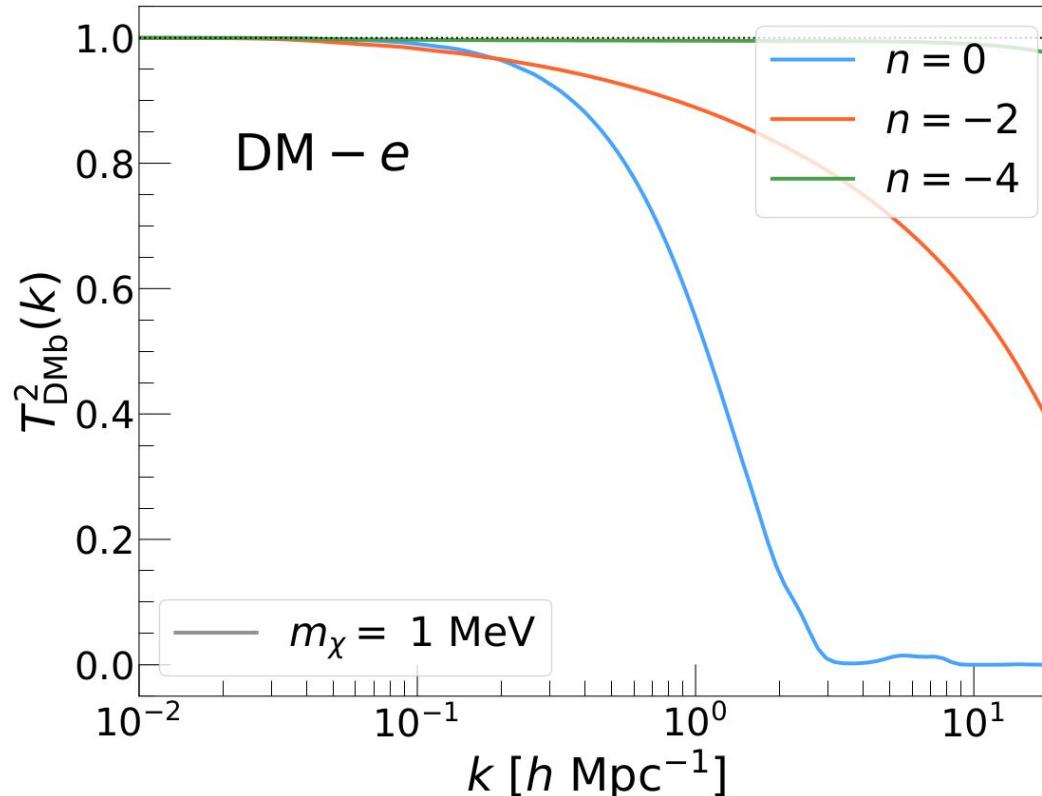
3. Contrast with data

4. Place bounds

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DMb impact: Matter Power Spectrum

$$T_{\text{DMb}}^2(k) = \frac{P_{\text{DMb}}(k)}{P_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}(k)}$$



DMb models: parameters

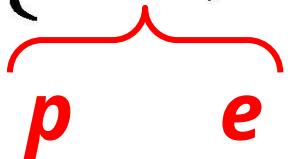
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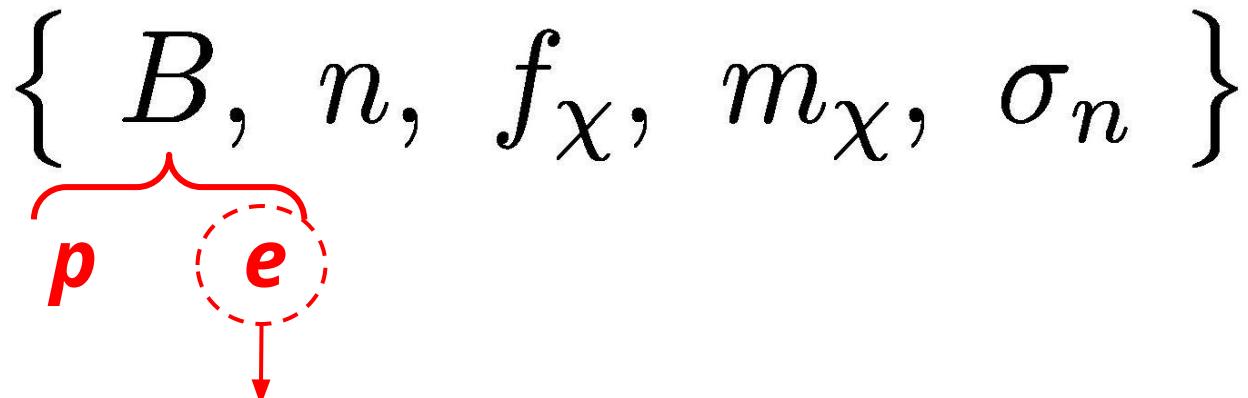
$$\left\{ B, n, f_\chi, m_\chi, \sigma_n \right\} \\ = \sigma_n^{\chi B}$$

$$\sigma_T = \sigma_n v^n$$

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$$p \quad e$$

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ignored in literature

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0 -2 -4

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$$\frac{\rho_\chi}{\rho_{\text{dm}}^{\text{tot}}}$$

100% 1%

DM_b models: parameters

$$\{ B, n, f_\chi, \underbrace{m_\chi}_{\textcolor{orange}{10 \text{ keV} - 100 \text{ GeV}}}, \sigma_n \}$$

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DMb models: parameters

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- B : **p, e**
- n : **0** (e.g. heavy mediator), **-2** (e.g. dipole), **-4** (e.g. light mediator)
- f_χ : **100%, 1%**
- m_χ : **10 keV—100 GeV**
- σ_n : **bounds!**

code publicly available: github.com/ManuelBuenAbad/class_dmb

III. Datasets

Datasets

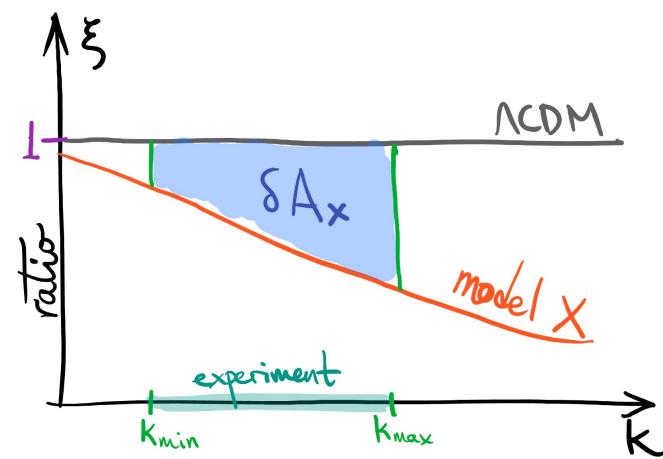
- **Cosmic Microwave Background + Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (CMB+BAO)**
 - CMB: anisotropies on the temperature and polarization of CMB photons, lensing of the same
 - BAO: imprint of baryon plasma oscillations on galactic two-point correlation functions
- **Lyman- α forest**
 - Lyman- α absorption lines in spectra of Quasars due to intergalactic hydrogen.
 - Hydrogen traces matter distribution
- **Milky Way Subhalos (MWS)**
 - Abundance of Milky Way subhalos depends on matter power spectrum

CMB + BAO

- **Data:**
 - CMB
 - Planck 2018 TT+TE+EE anisotropies
 - Planck 2018 lensing
 - BAO
 - 6dFGS
 - SDSS
- **Method:**
 - [MontePython](#) MCMC scan: 95% C. R. bounds on σ_n , at fixed $m_{\chi'}$ for the choices of B, n, f_χ .

Lyman- α

- **Data:**
 - HIRES/MIKE
 - XQ-100
 - $0.5 \text{ h/Mpc} < k < 20 \text{ h/Mpc}$
- **Method:**
 - **Area criterion:** for model X : if $\delta A_X > \delta A_{\text{ref}} \Rightarrow$ reject X .
 - area under suppression curve: ratio of matter power spectra
 - Correlates strongly with bounds from MCMC scans (aided by hydrodynamical simulations) applied to data [Murgia, Irsic, & Viel '18]
 - Reference value: **0.31** (corresponds to WDM model 95% C. R.: $m_{WDM} = 5.3 \text{ keV}$)



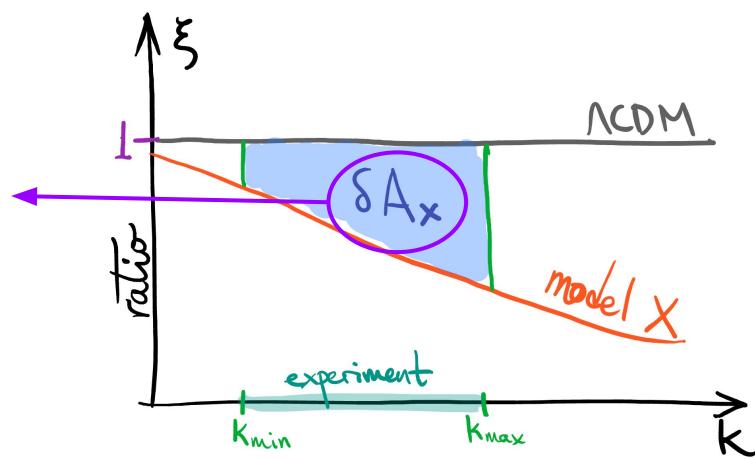
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area difference
w.r.t. Λ CDM

$$\delta A_X \equiv \frac{A_{\Lambda\text{CDM}} - A_X}{A_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}}$$



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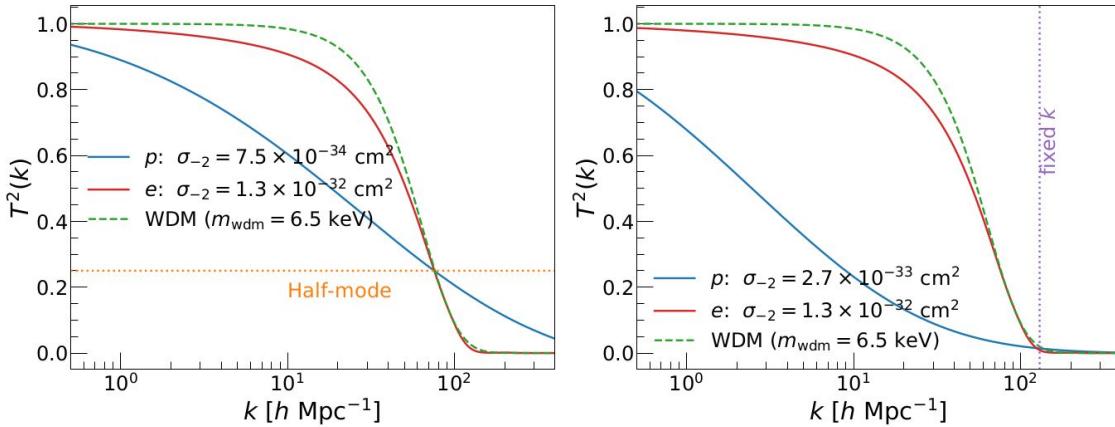
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- **Data:**
 - Luminous Milky Way satellite galaxies
 - SDSS
 - DES
 - PanSTARSS
- **Method:**
 - Compare to bounds on WDM: 95% C. R.: $m_{WDM} > 6.5 \text{ keV}$ [DES Collab. Nadler et al. '20]
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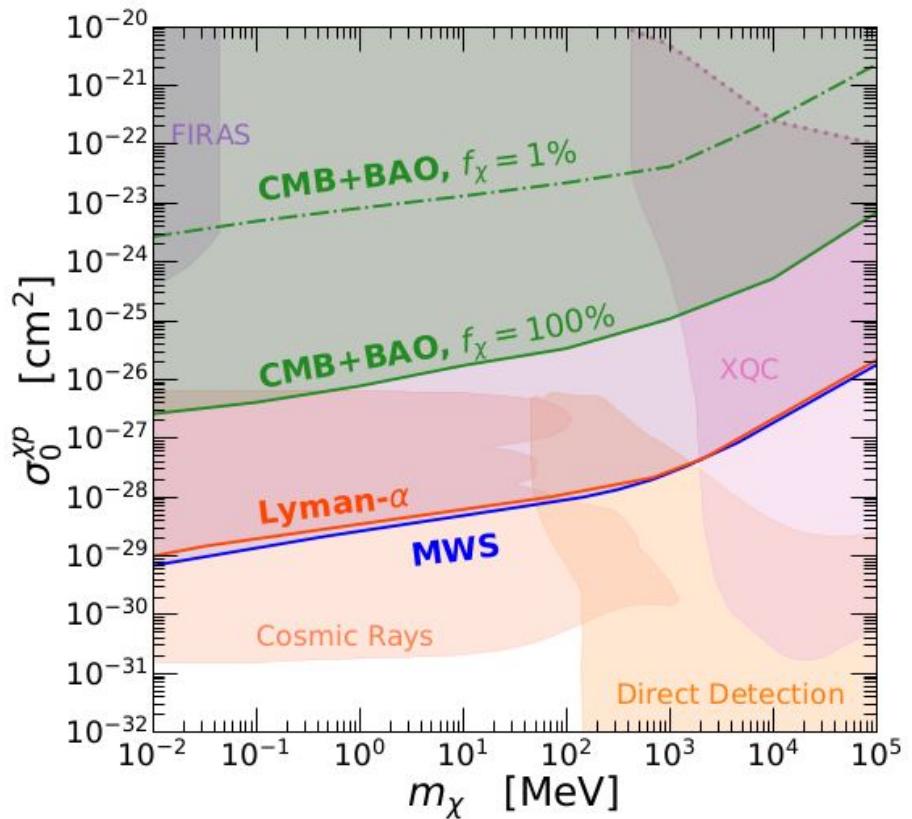
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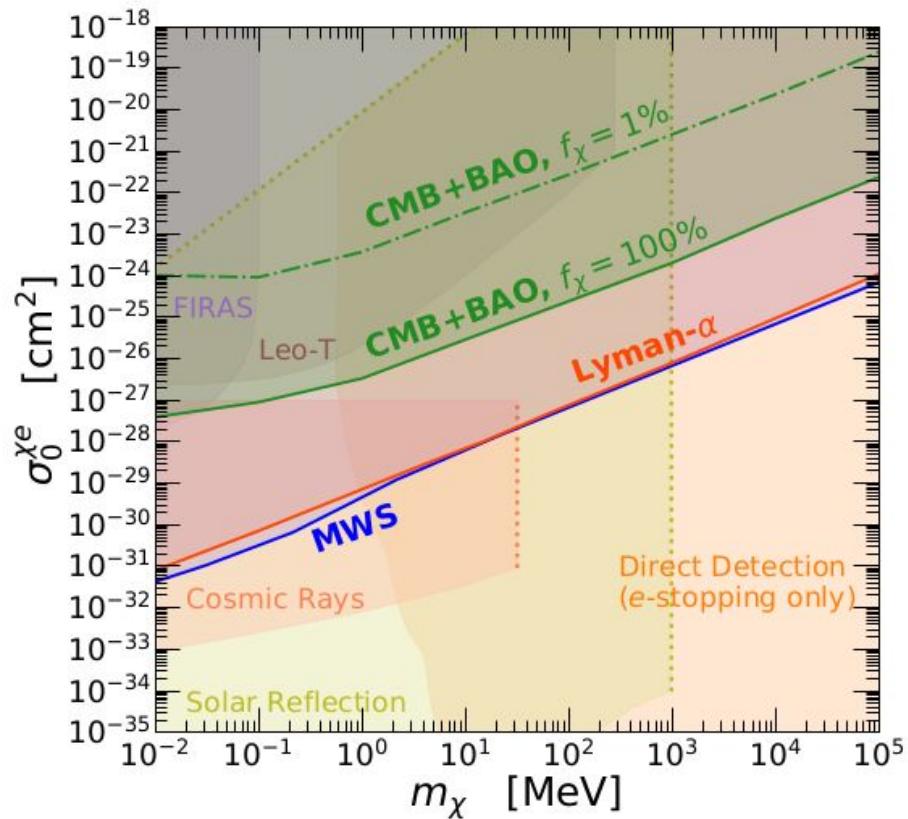
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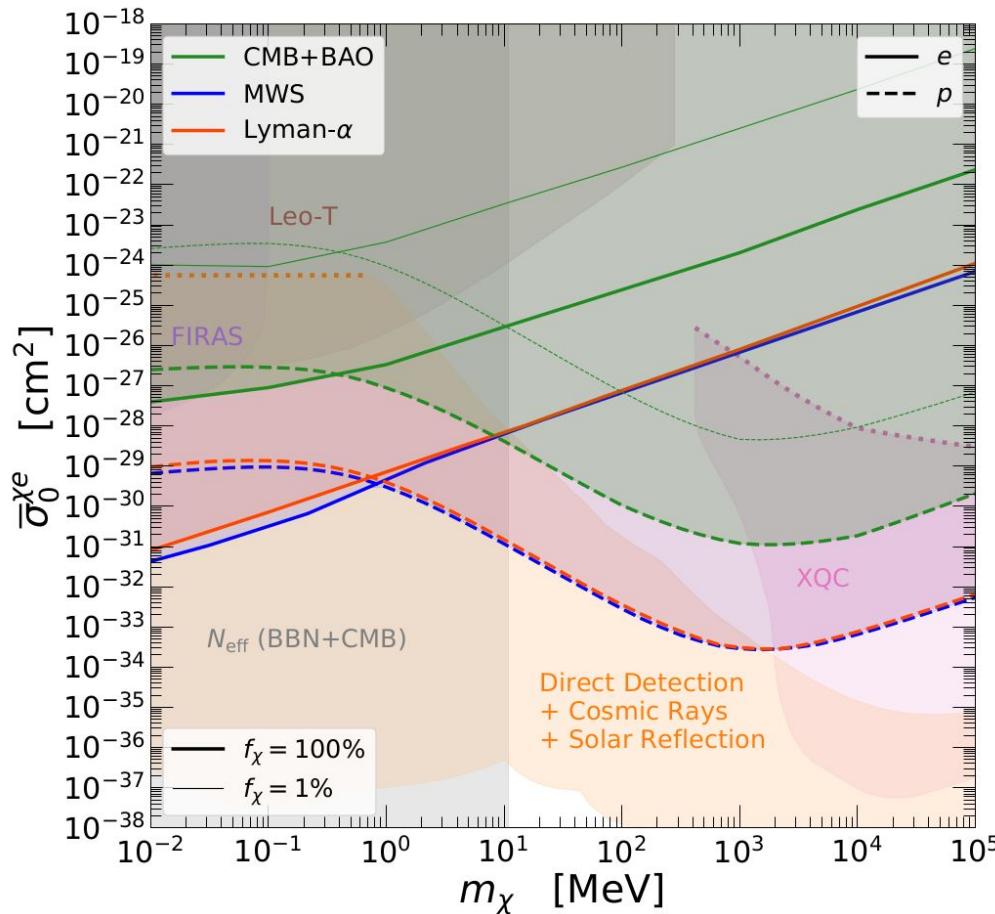
IV. Results



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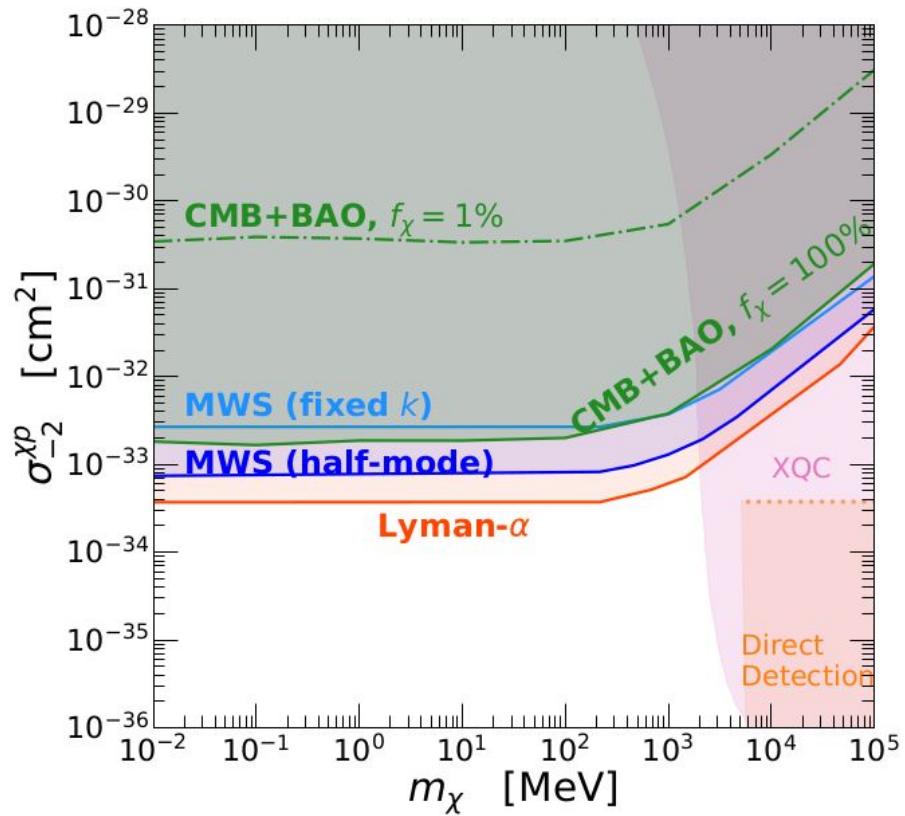


$$\bar{\sigma}_0^{\chi B} = \sigma_0^{\chi B}$$

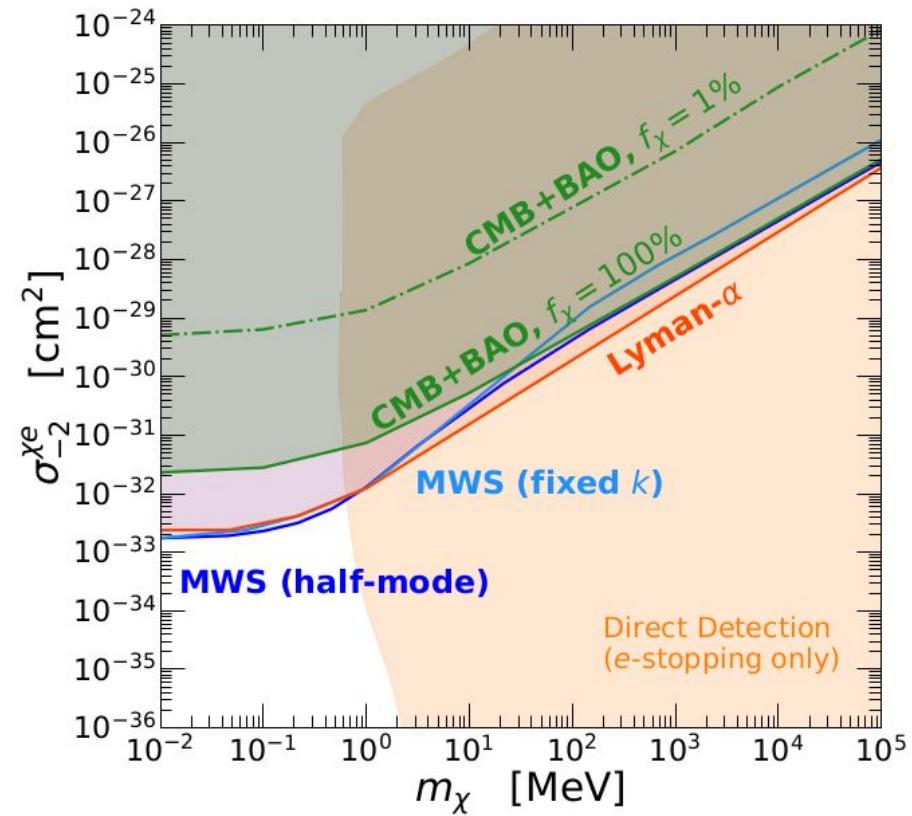


$n=0$ (heavy mediator)

$$\bar{\sigma}_n^{\chi e} = \frac{\mu_{\chi e}^2}{\mu_{\chi p}^2} \bar{\sigma}_n^{\chi p}$$

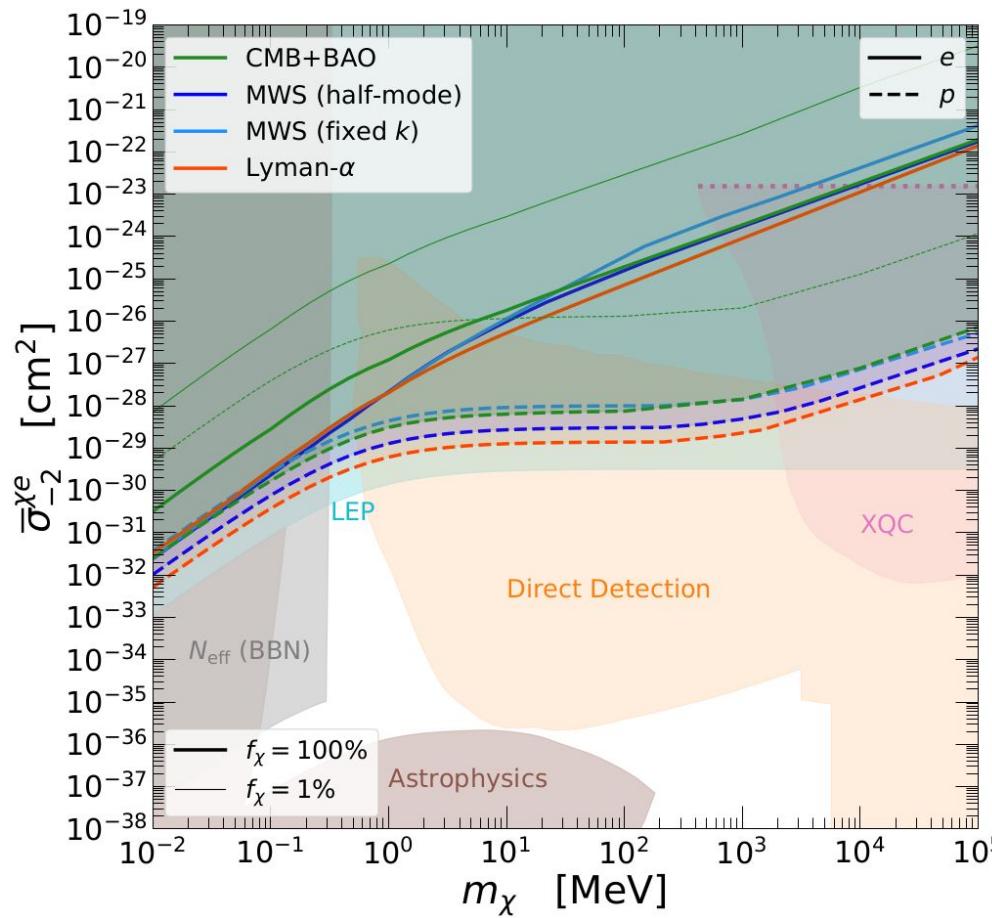


$n = -2$ (phenomenological)



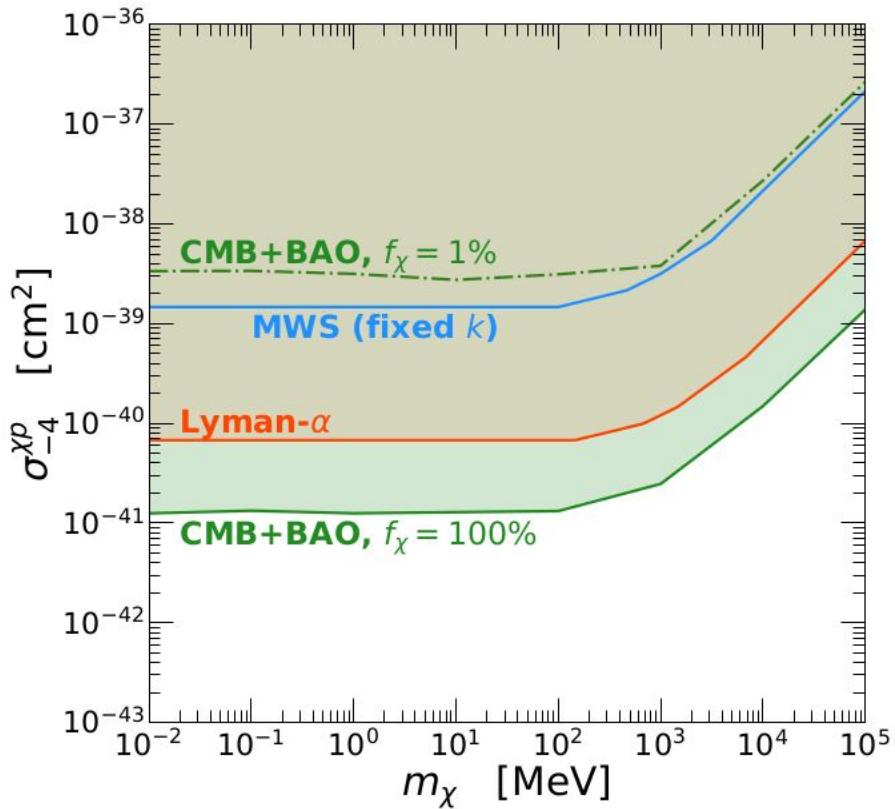
$$\bar{\sigma}_{-2}^{\chi B} = \frac{2\mu_{\chi B}^2}{q_{\text{ref}}^2} \sigma_{-2}^{\chi B}$$

$$q_{\text{ref}} = \alpha m_e$$

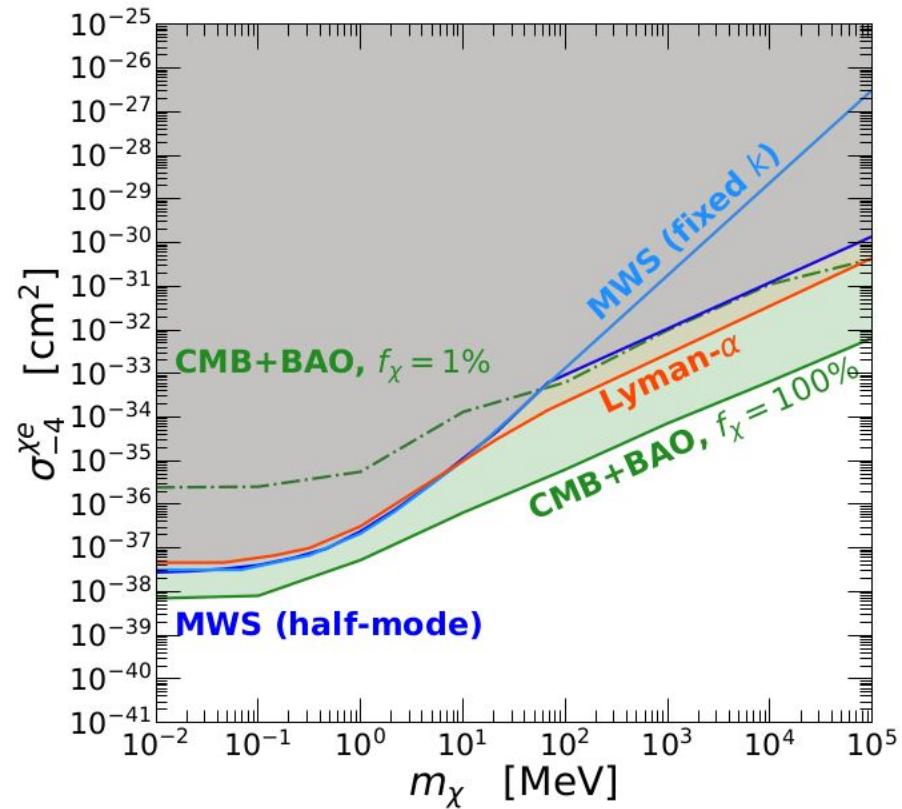


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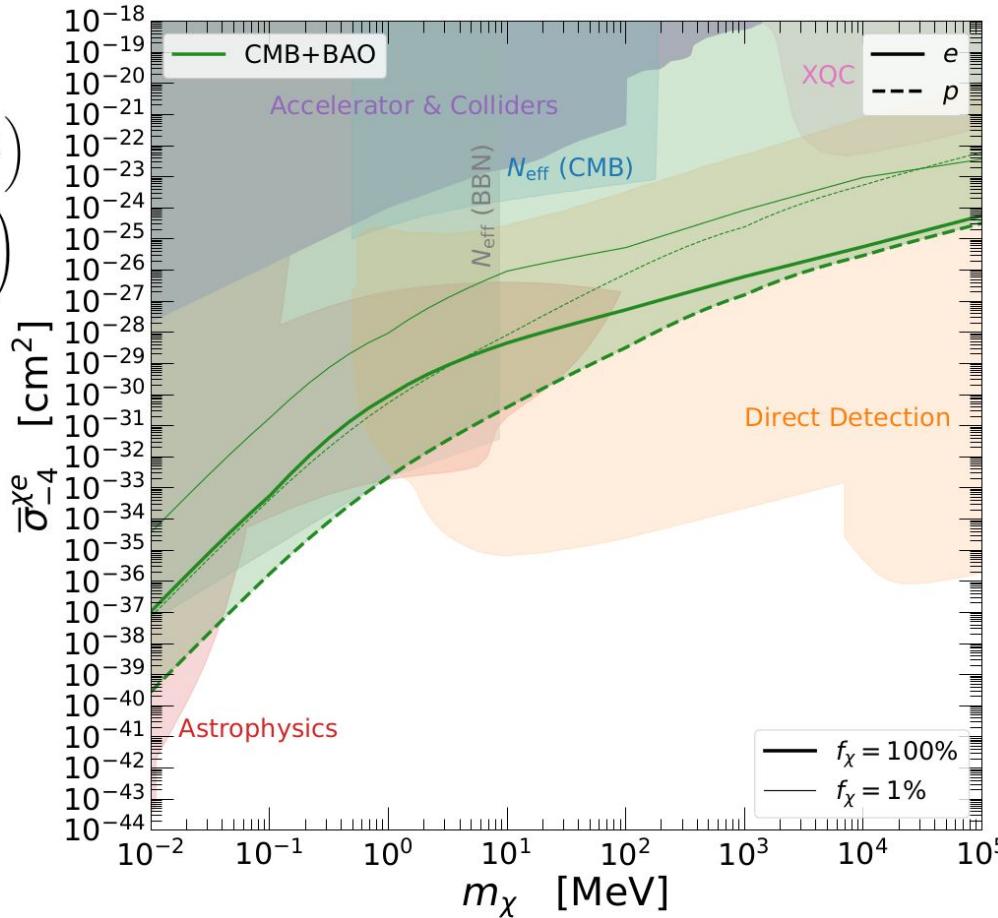
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$n=-4$ (phenomenological)



$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_T^{\chi B} &\approx \frac{2\pi\epsilon^2\alpha\alpha_\chi\mu_{\chi B}^2}{p_{\text{CM}}^4} \ln\left(\frac{4p_{\text{CM}}^2}{m_D^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{2\pi\epsilon^2\alpha\alpha_\chi}{\mu_{\chi B}^2 v_{\text{rel}}^4} \ln\left(\frac{4\mu_{\chi B}^2 v_{\text{rel}}^2}{m_D^2}\right)\end{aligned}$$



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$n=-4$ (light mediator)

V. Conclusions

Conclusions

- DM-p & DM-e constraints from cosmology
 - First time: DM-e, area criterion Lyman- α
 - Updated: Planck, Lyman- α , MWS
 - Full temperature evolution
 - Phenomenological & Particle Physics
- Complementary to DM Direct Detection
 - Closed some gaps
- The future of *darkness* is **bright!**
 - CMB-S4, CMB-HD
 - 21 cm, newer MWS, *Gaia*
 - Call for: hydrodynamical simulations with DMb

Backup Slides

$$\dot{T}_\chi = -2\mathcal{H}T_\chi + 2R'_\chi(T_b - T_\chi) \ ,$$

$$\dot{T}_b = -2\mathcal{H}T_b + 2\frac{\mu_b}{m_e}R_\gamma(T_\gamma - T_b) + 2S\frac{\mu_b}{m_\chi}R'_\chi(T_\chi - T_b)$$

$$R'_\chi \equiv a \sum_B \frac{Y_B \rho_b m_\chi}{(m_\chi + m_B)^2} \sigma_n^{\chi B} c_n u_B^{n+1}$$

$$S \equiv \frac{\rho_\chi}{\rho_b}$$

$$u_B \equiv \left(\frac{T_b}{m_B} + \frac{T_\chi}{m_\chi} + \frac{\langle V_{\text{bulk}}^2 \rangle}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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Temperature Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\theta}_{\text{cdm}} &= -\mathcal{H}\theta_{\text{cdm}} + k^2\psi , \\ \dot{\theta}_\chi &= -\mathcal{H}\theta_\chi + k^2\psi + c_\chi^2 k^2 \delta_\chi + R_\chi (\theta_b - \theta_\chi) , \\ \dot{\theta}_b &= -\mathcal{H}\theta_b + k^2\psi + c_s^2 k^2 \delta_b + R_\gamma (\theta_\gamma - \theta_b) + S R_\chi (\theta_\chi - \theta_b)\end{aligned}$$

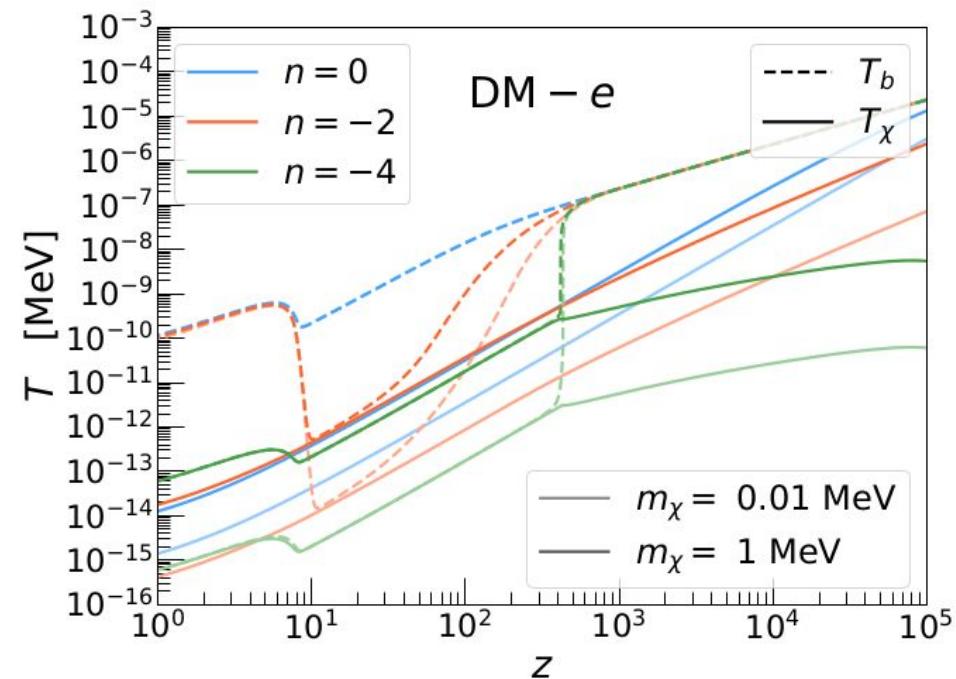
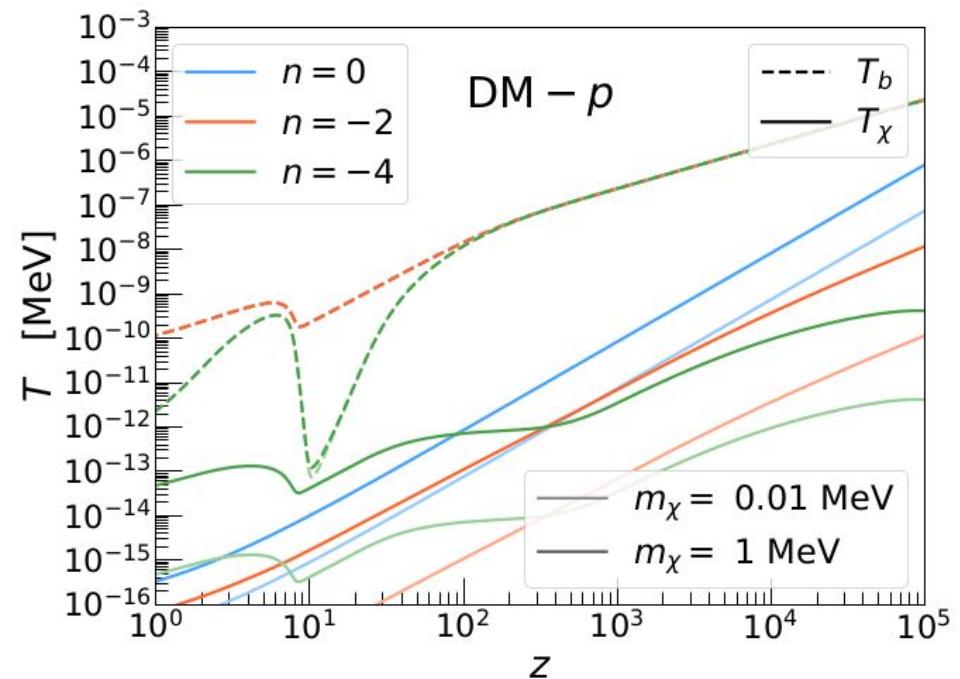
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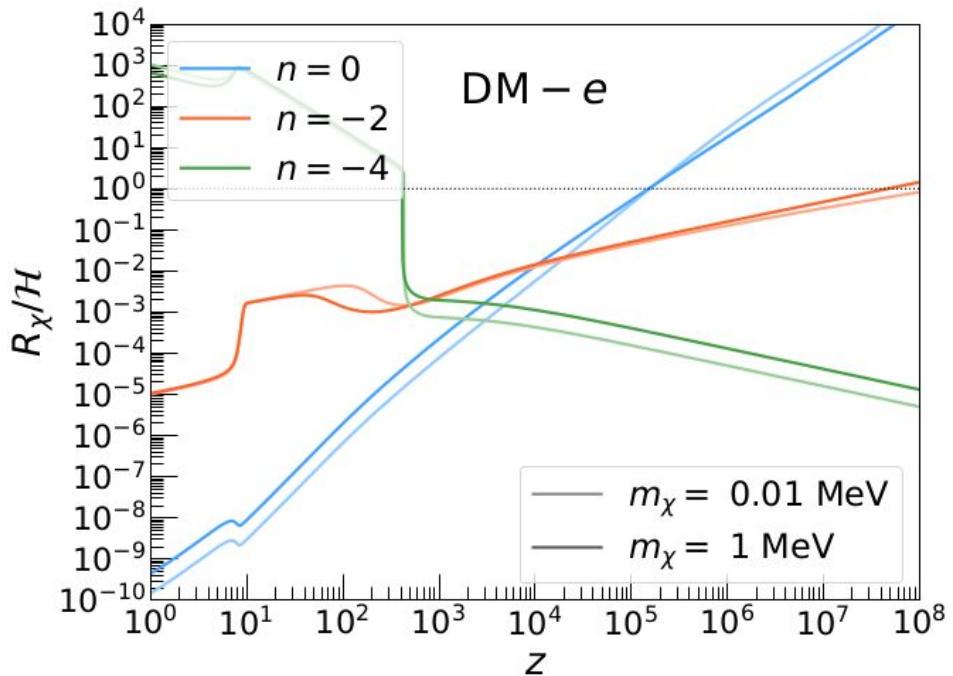
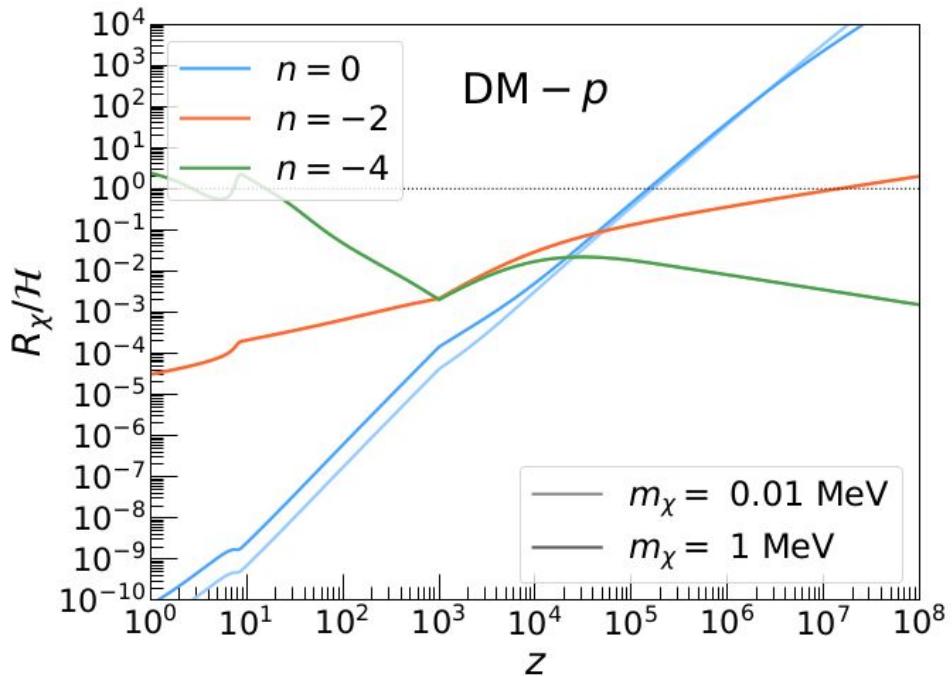
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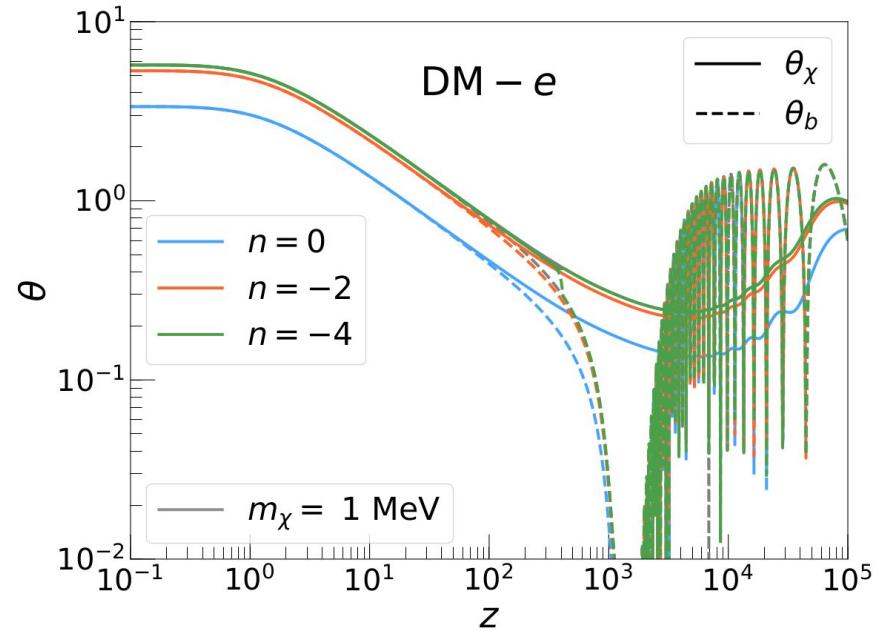
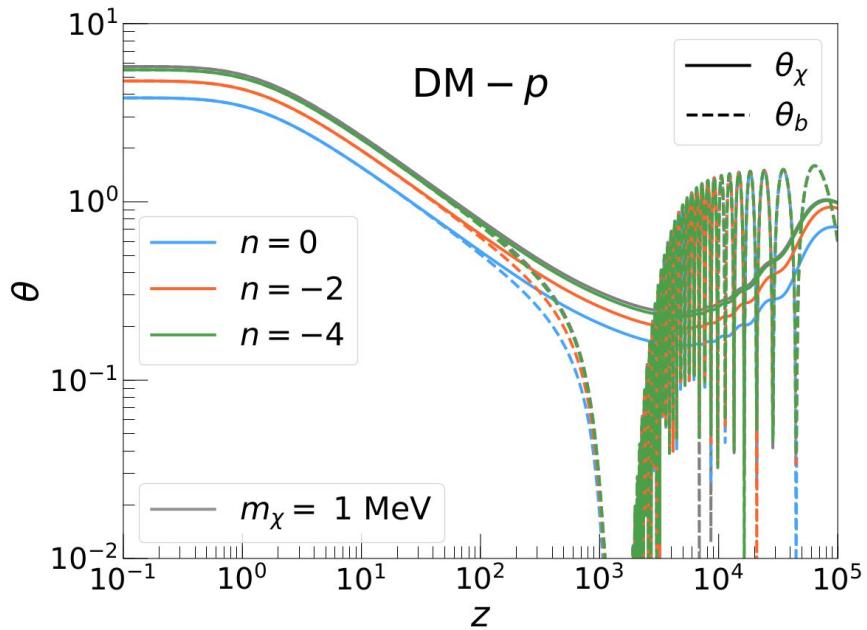
Perturbation Equations



Temperature



Momentum-transfer rate



Perturbations

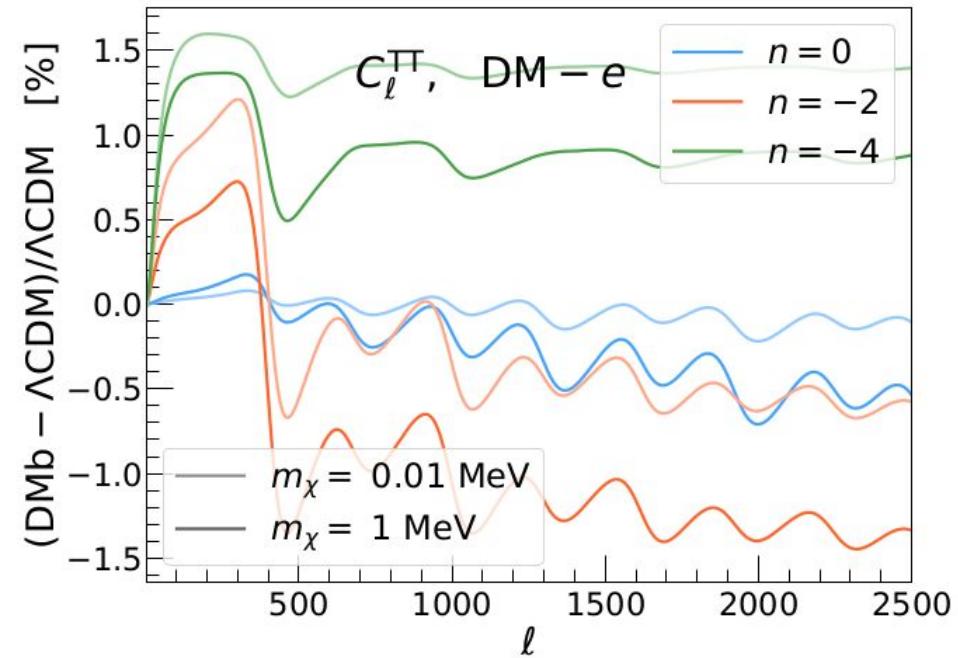
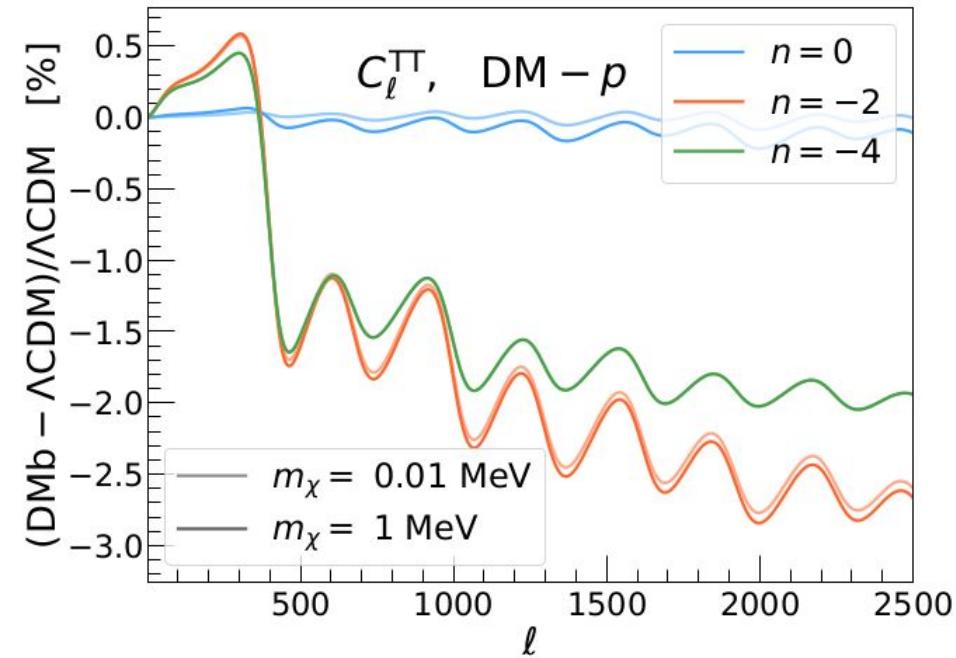
$$\kappa(\tau) \equiv \int_{\tau}^{\tau_0} d\tau' \dot{\kappa}(\tau') , \quad \text{the optical depth,}$$

$$\dot{\kappa}(\tau) \equiv a n_e \sigma_{\text{Thomson}} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{\rho_b}{\rho_\gamma} R_\gamma , \quad \text{the Thomson scattering rate,}$$

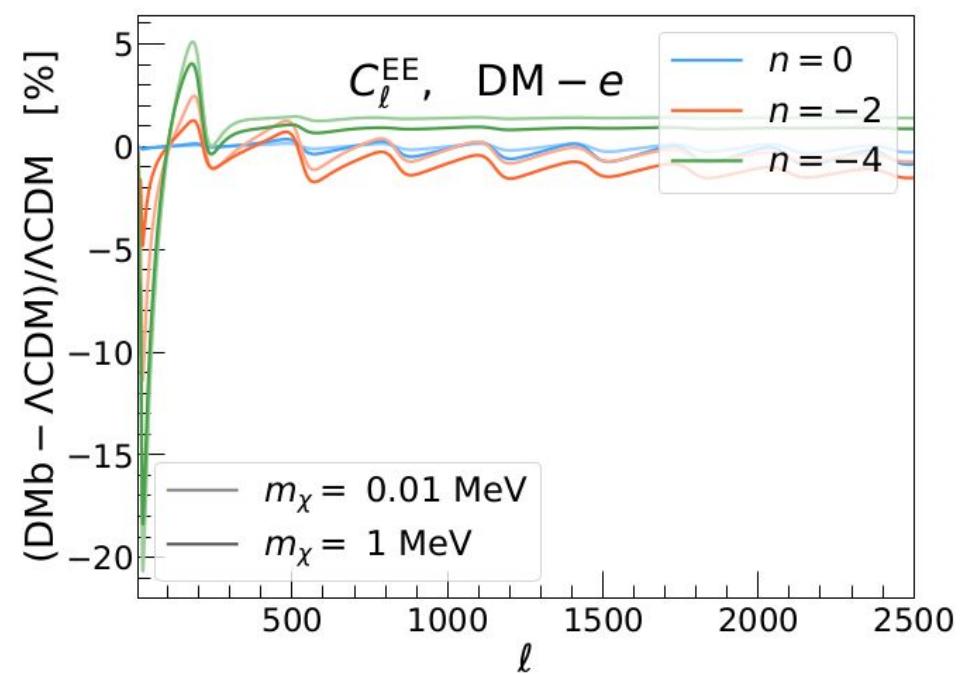
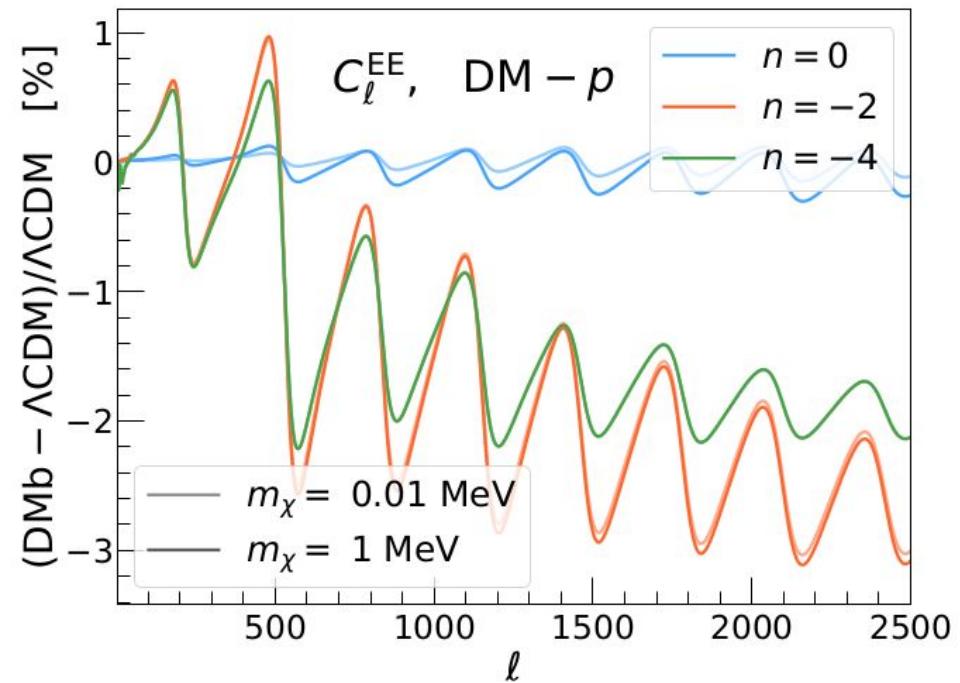
$$g(\tau) \equiv -\dot{\kappa} e^{-\kappa} , \quad \text{the visibility function.}$$

$$S_T(k, \tau) = g(\tau) \left(\frac{\delta_\gamma}{4} + \psi \right) + \frac{1}{k^2} \frac{d(g(\tau)\theta_b)}{d\tau} + e^{-\kappa} \left(\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \right) ,$$

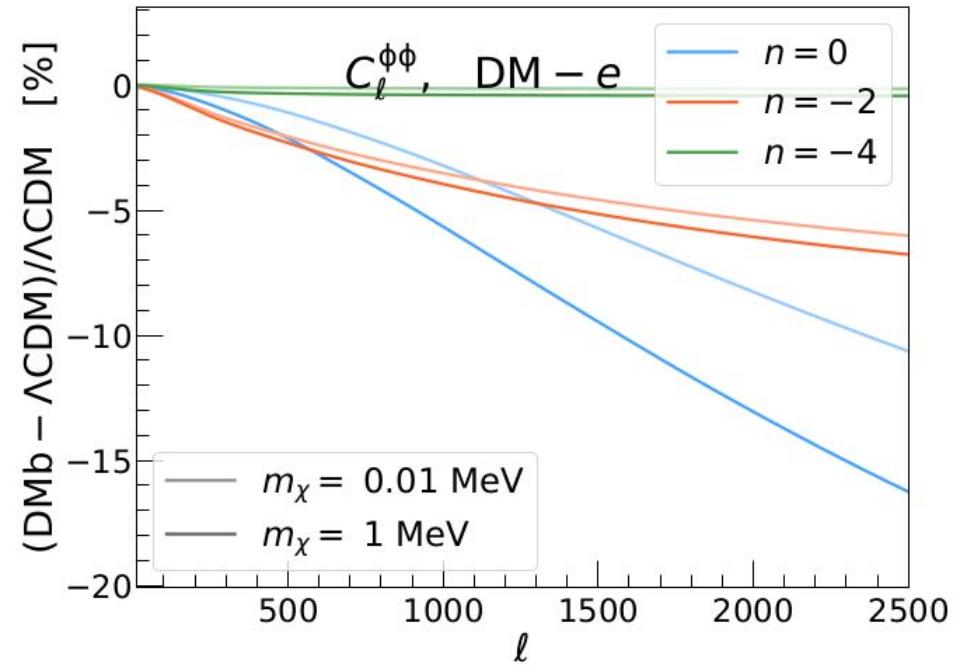
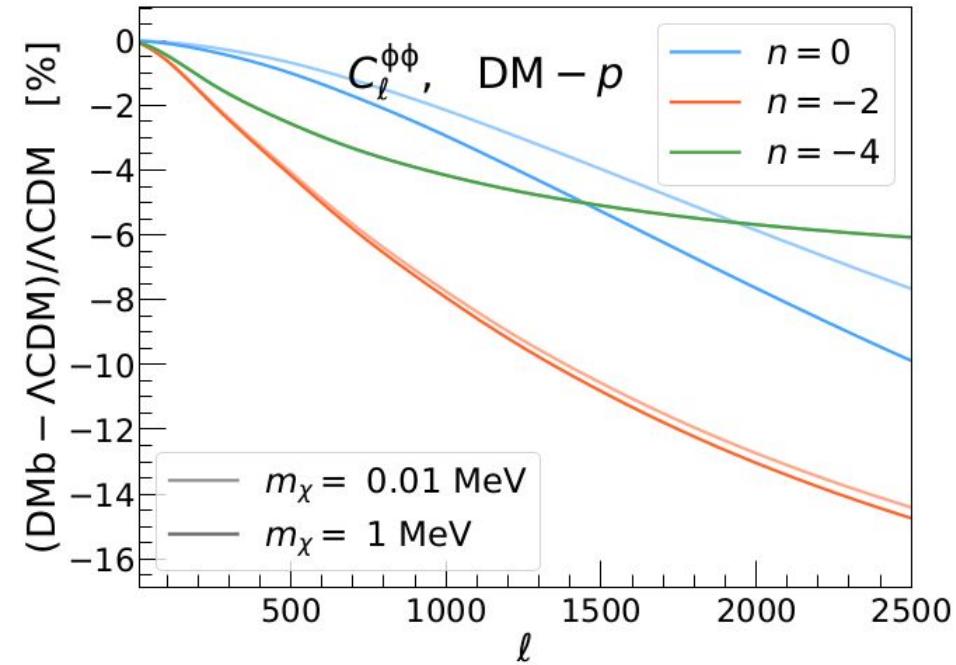
$$S_E(k, \tau) = \frac{3}{4} g(\tau) (2\sigma_\gamma + G_{\gamma 0} + G_{\gamma 2}) ,$$



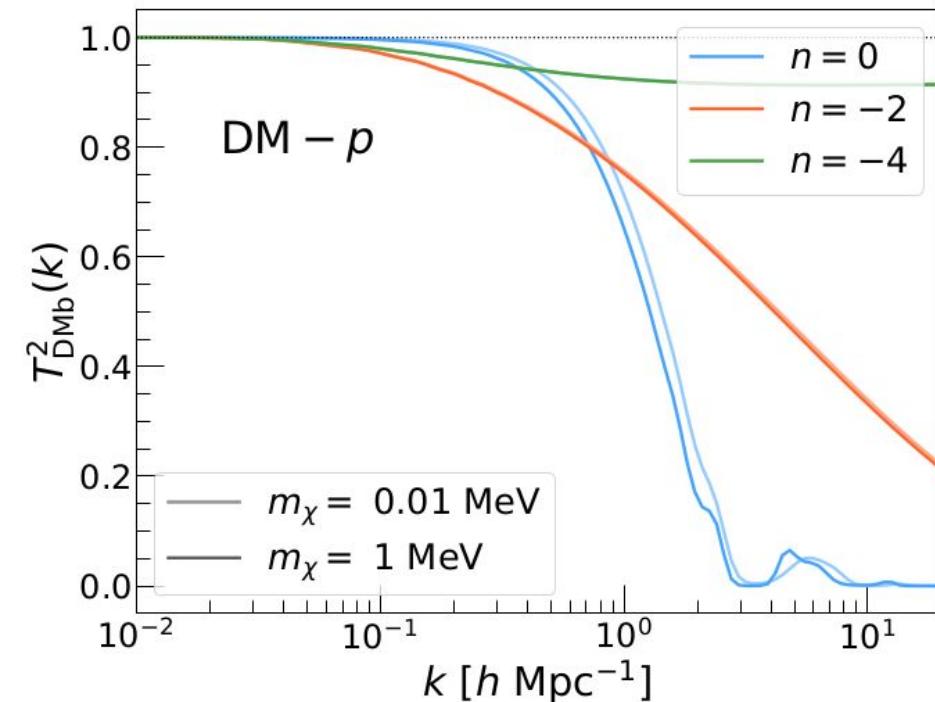
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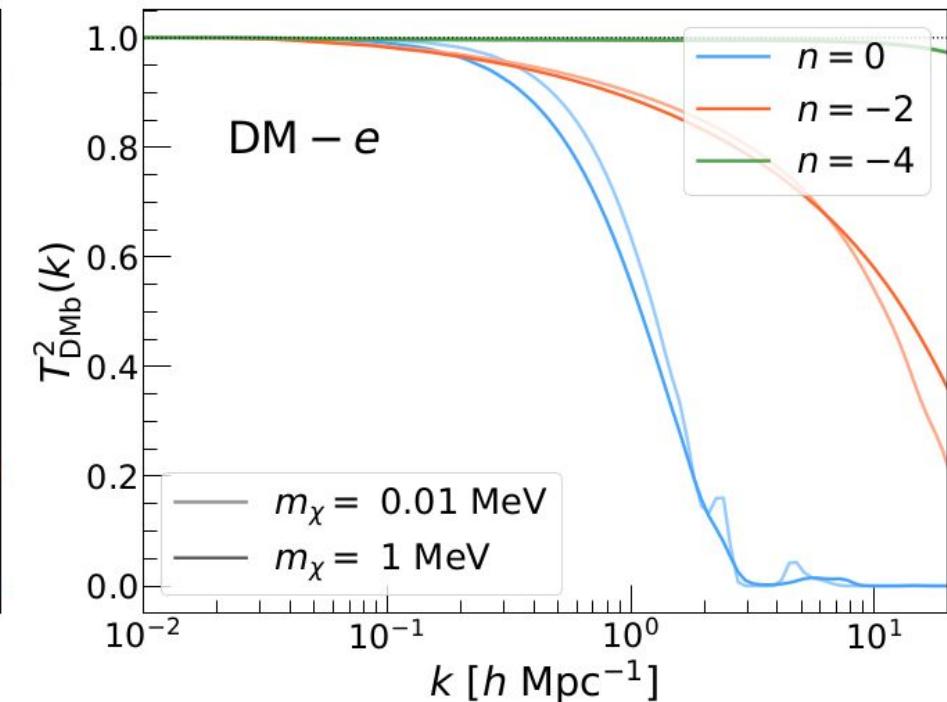
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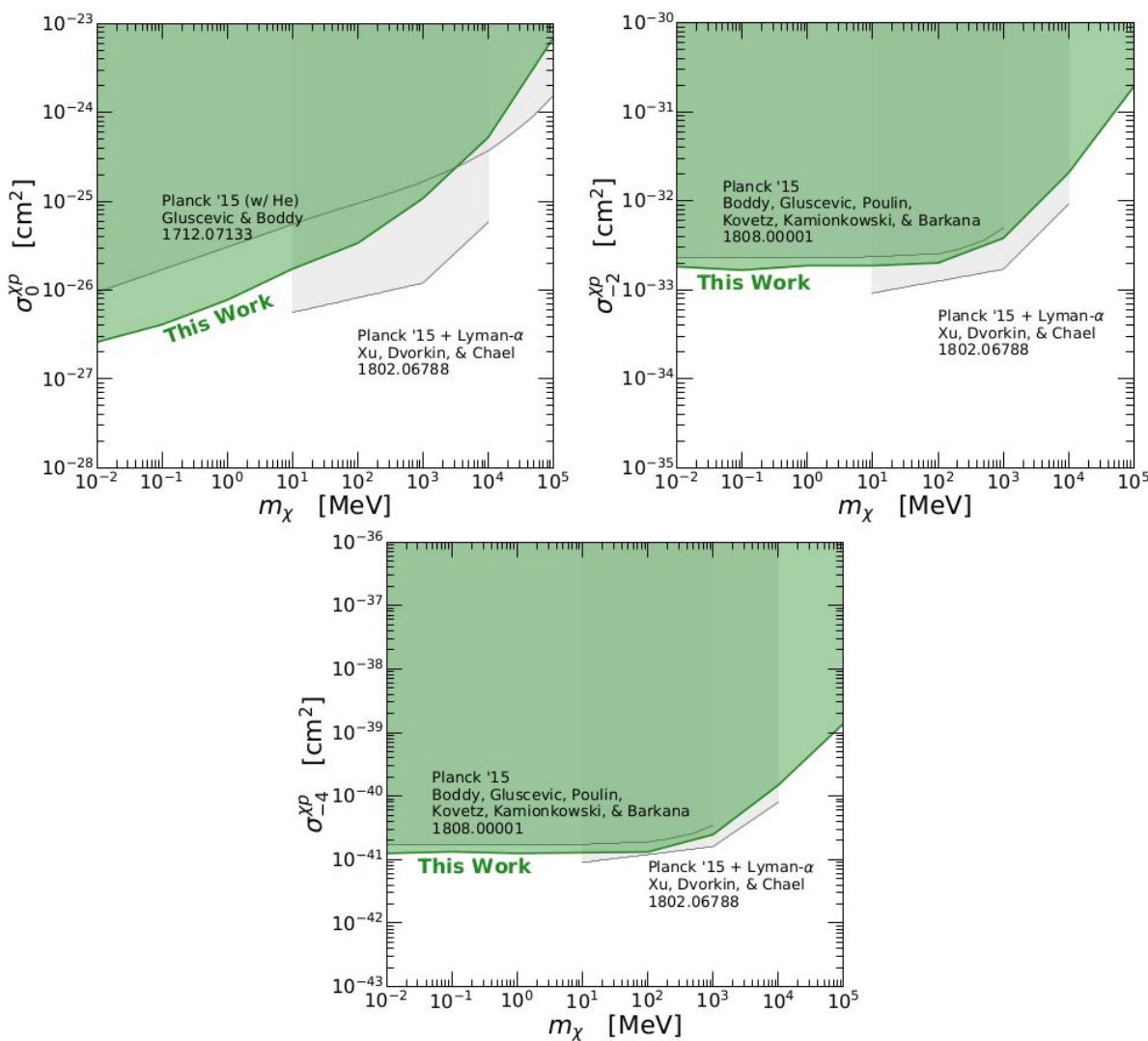


Transfer power



$$T_{\text{DMb}}^2(k) = \frac{P_{\text{DMb}}(k)}{P_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}(k)}$$

CMB+BAO



if $\delta A_X > \delta A_{\text{ref}} \Rightarrow \text{reject } X$

$$\delta A_X \equiv \frac{A_{\Lambda\text{CDM}} - A_X}{A_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}}$$

$$A_X \equiv \int_{k_{\min}}^{k_{\max}} dk \xi_X(k)$$

area under suppression

$$\xi_X(k) \equiv \frac{P_{1\text{D}}^X(k)}{P_{1\text{D}}^{\Lambda\text{CDM}}(k)}$$

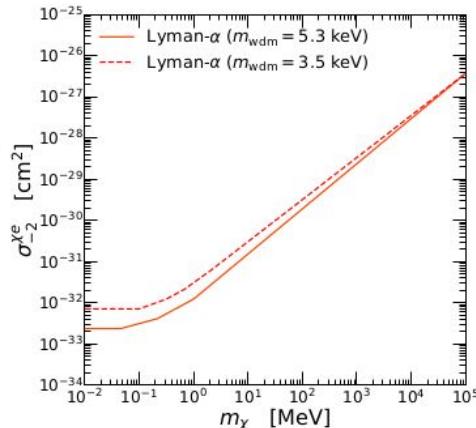
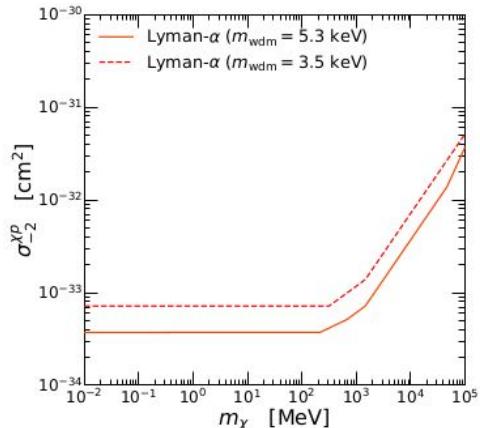
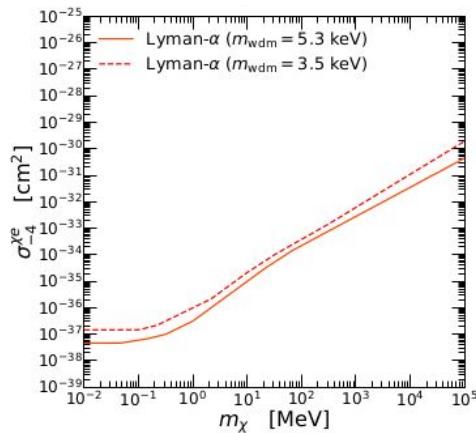
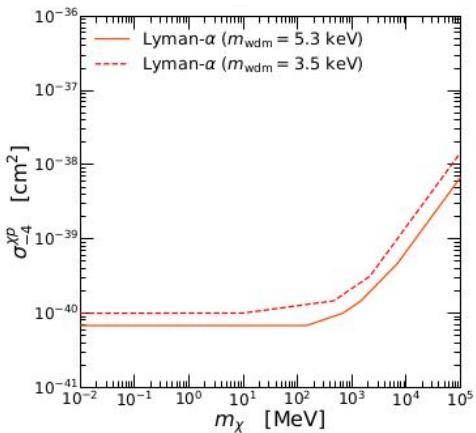
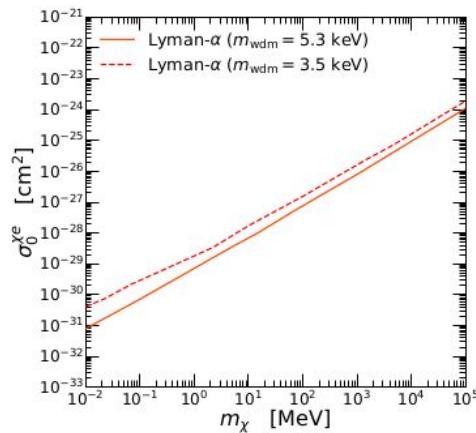
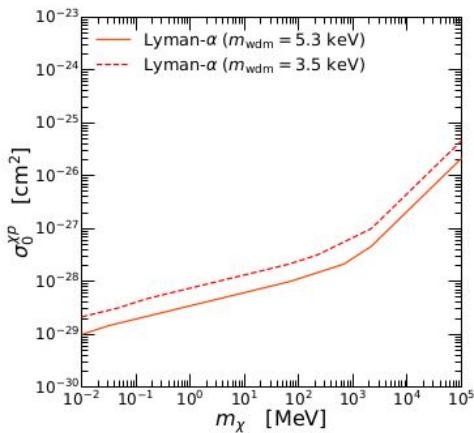
suppression

$$P_{1\text{D}}(k) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_k^\infty dk' k' P(k')$$

1D matter power spectrum

Area criterion

Lyman- α



MWS

