

From spin-1 to spin-2 SIMPs

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- 2 Spin-1 case
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Keep pb cross sections in the Early Universe but enhance the interactions in DM halos today

- Invoke a light mediator and consider non-perturbative effects

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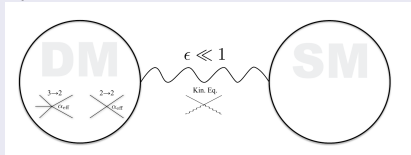
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Another option: Suppress the interactions in the Early Universe.

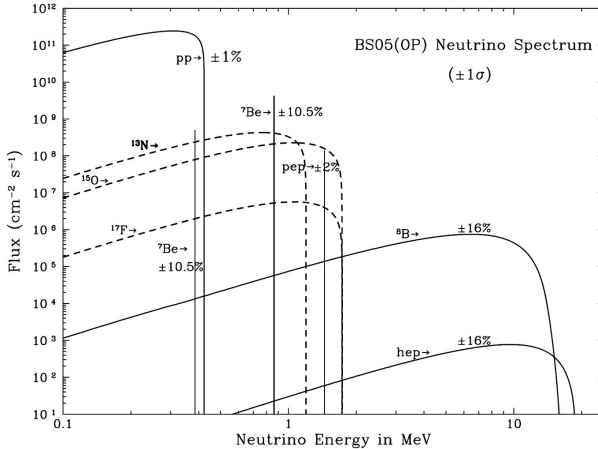
Consider annihilations of **three** DM particles into **two** of them.

SIMPs (Strongly Interacting Massive Particles)



Hochberg, Kuflik, Volansky, Wacker (PRL 2014)

Similar processes occur in the Sun



Bahcall et al. , (ApJ, 2005)

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This talk

- Warm-up: spin-1 case (vector SIMPs) [Bernal, Chu, GGC, Hambye, Zaldivar \(JCAP 2016\)](#)
- Spin-2 case [Preliminary](#)

Spin-1 case: Hidden Vector DM model

Field	$SU(3)$	$SU(2)$	$U(1)_Y$	$SU(2)_X$
H	1	2	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
ϕ	1	1	0	2
A'_μ	1	1	0	3

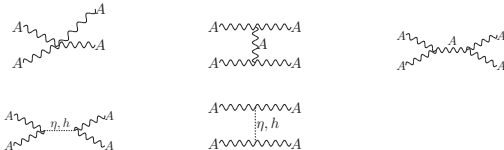
Local $SU(2)_X$ \rightarrow Global $SO(3)$
 Gauge Fields A'_μ \rightarrow Massive Fields A_μ **Stable (DM Candidate)**
 Doublet ϕ \rightarrow Higgs-like η **It mixes with the Higgs**

Hambye (JHEP 2009)

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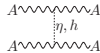
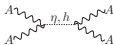
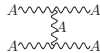
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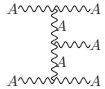
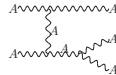
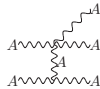
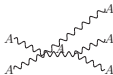
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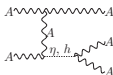
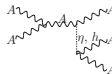
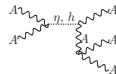
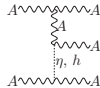
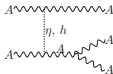
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3-to-2 process



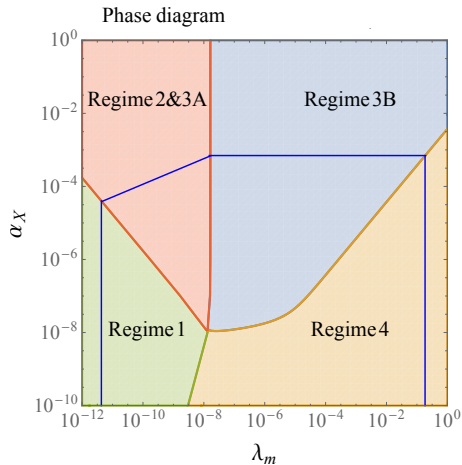
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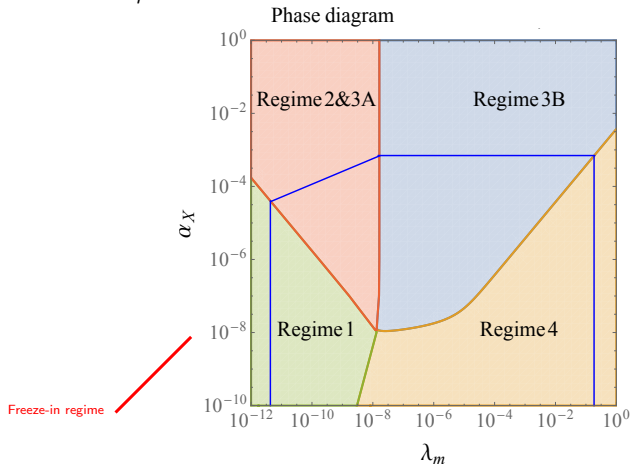
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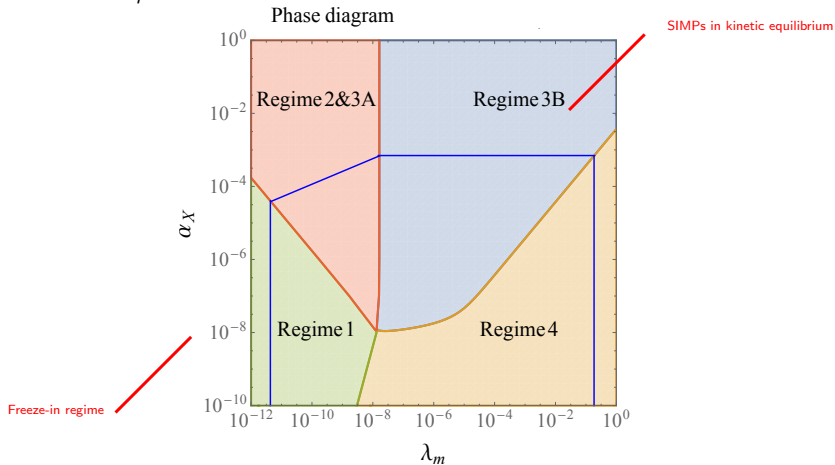
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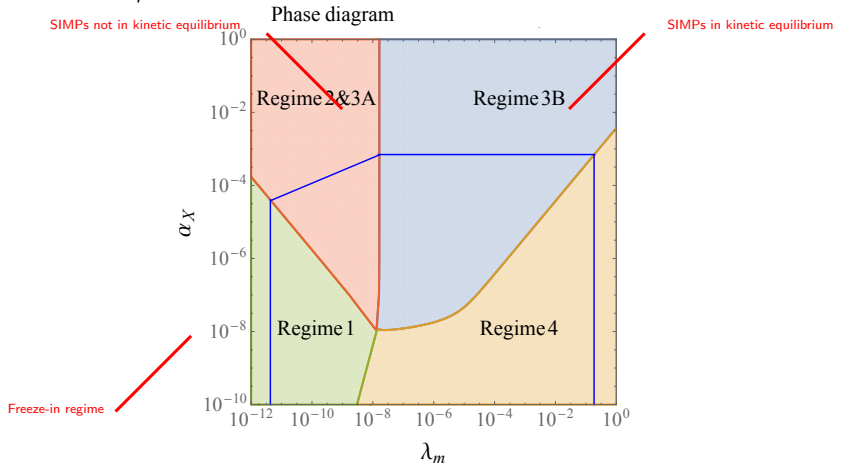
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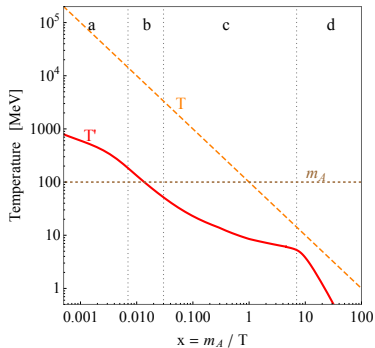
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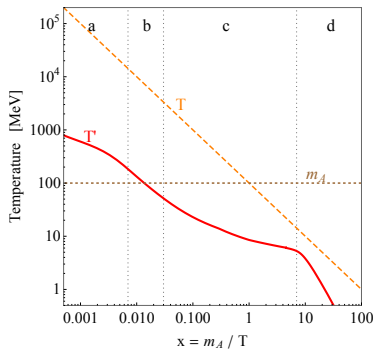
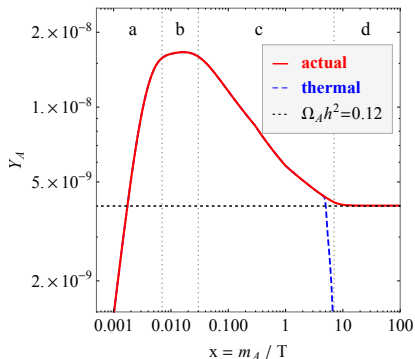
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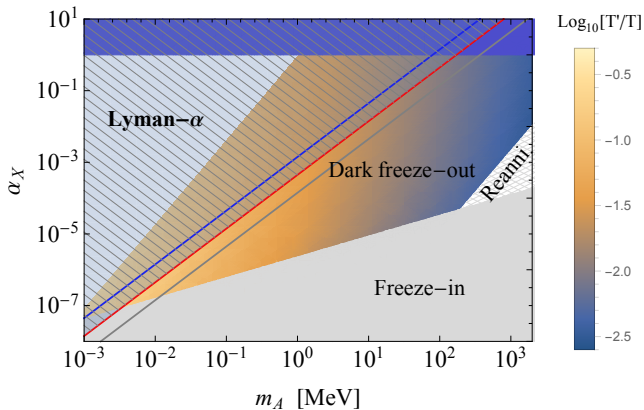


Figure: Parameter space for self-Interactions

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- Ghosts are absent for very restrictive interaction terms in bimetric theories. [Hassan, Rosen \(PRL 2012\)](#), [Hassan, Rosen, Schmidt-May \(JHEP 2012\)](#)

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- Gravitron: fluctuation of the metric
→ Write down a theory with 2 metrics and have them interact.

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- $\Lambda = \alpha^2 m_g^2 (\beta_0 + 3\beta_1 + 3\beta_2 + \beta_3) = m_g^2 (\beta_4 + 3\beta_3 + 3\beta_2 + \beta_1)$

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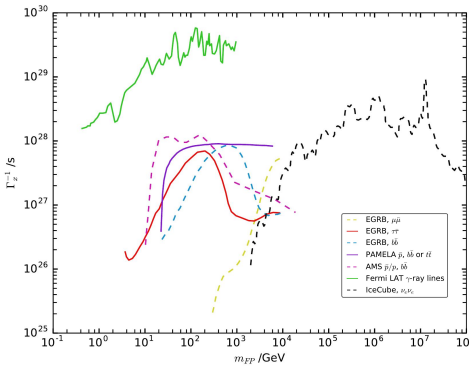
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In this limit, δM is a dark matter candidate

- Vertex $\delta M \delta G \delta G = 0 \rightarrow \Gamma(\delta M \rightarrow \delta G \delta G) = 0$
- δM responds to δG (gravity) in the same way as the SM fields.

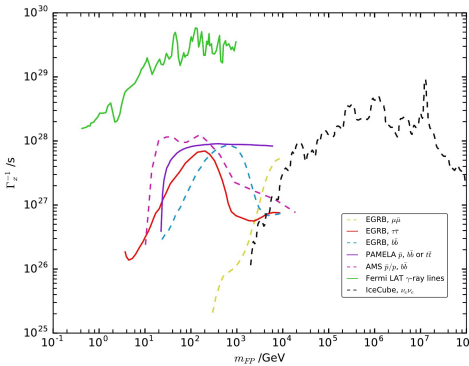
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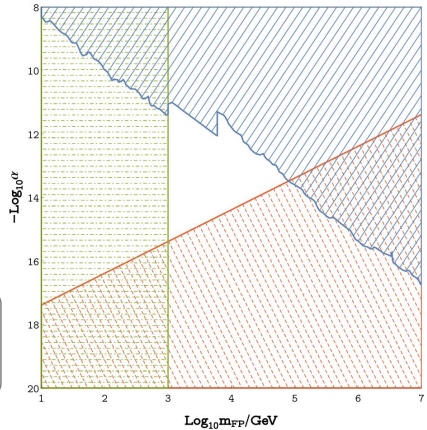


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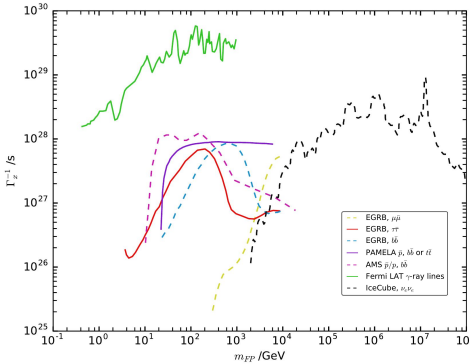
- DECAY
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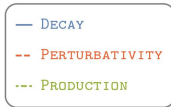


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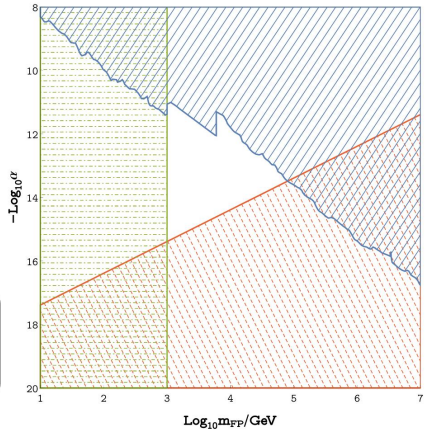
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Perturbativity condition:
typical energy $< \alpha m_{\text{Pl}}$



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Second surprise

PRELIMINARY

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Loosely speaking, the self-interactions of δM are the same as those of δG but enhanced by powers of $1/\alpha$.

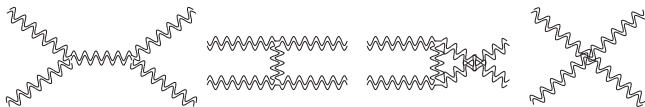


Figure: Bimetric theories naturally give rise to self-interacting spin-2 DM

Very predictive! Lengthy calculations

Self-interaction cross section

PRELIMINARY

$$\sigma_{\text{SI}} = \frac{(\beta_1 + 2\beta_2 + \beta_3)^2}{m_{\text{FP}}^2 \alpha^4} F(r), \quad \text{with } r = \frac{\beta_1 - \beta_3}{\beta_1 + 2\beta_2 + \beta_3}$$

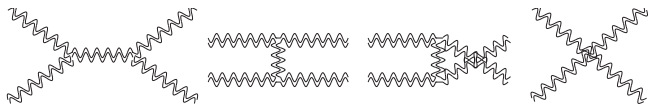
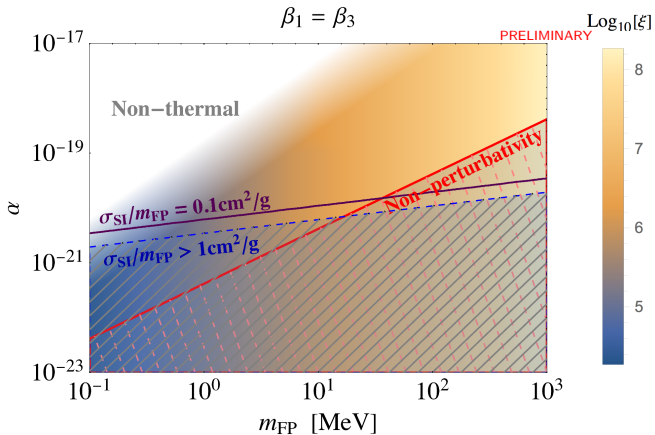
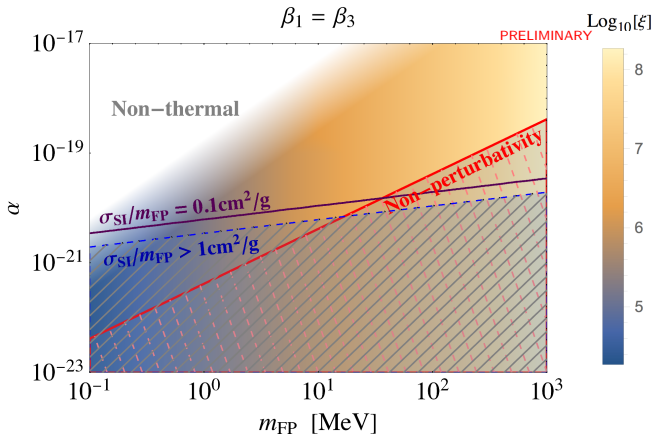
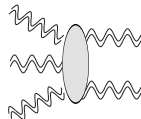


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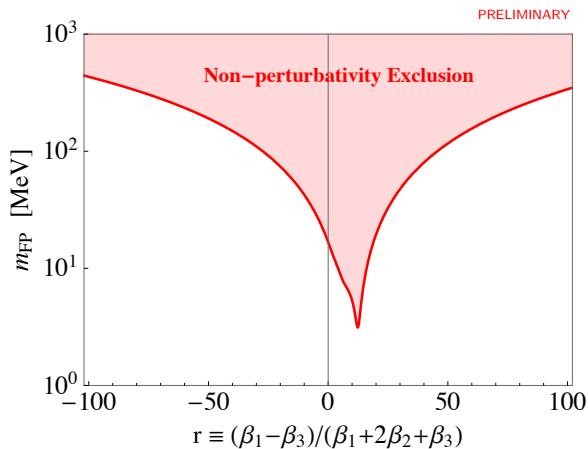


How can we produced them?



+ no thermal equilibrium

(Regime 3A)



Conclusions

- In bimetric theories, requiring negligible interactions between the second metric and ordinary particles naturally leads to **spin-2 SIDM capable of addressing the small-scale problems.**
- SIDM without light mediators can be produced via 3-to-2 annihilations. The corresponding increase of temperature is not problematic if the two sectors have a large temperature ratio before freeze-out.

