

Hidden Photons

in Electron Beam Dump Experiments

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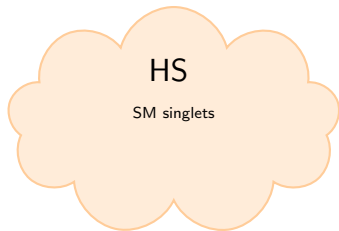
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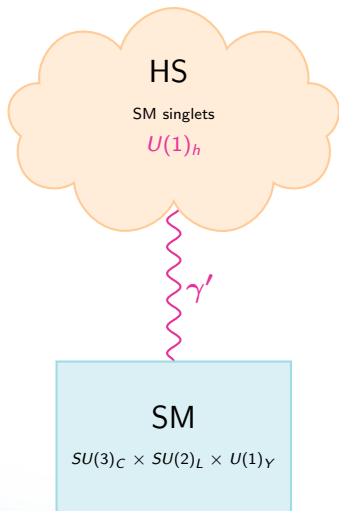
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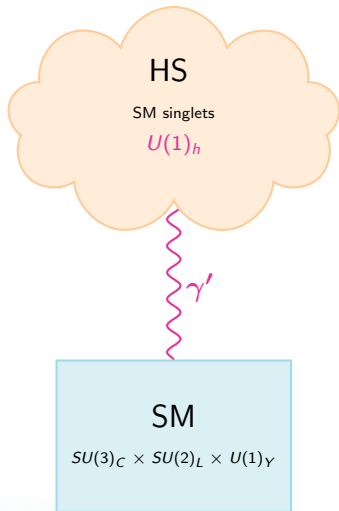
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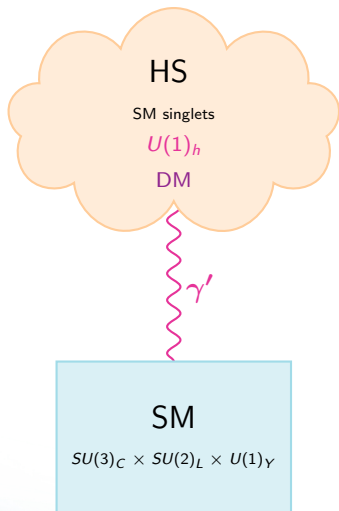
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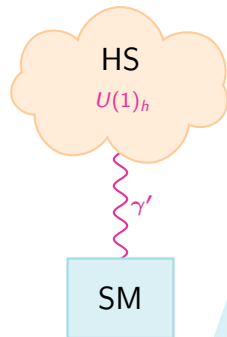
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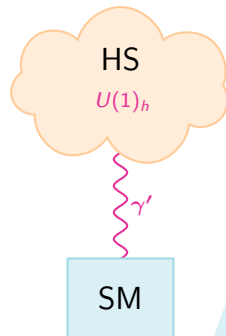


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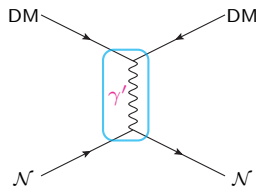
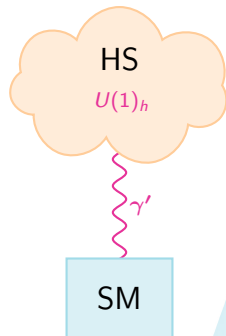


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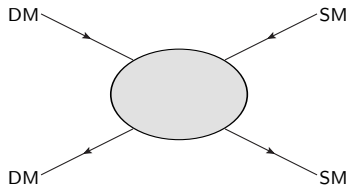
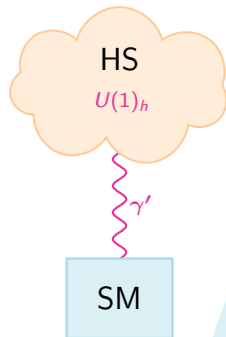


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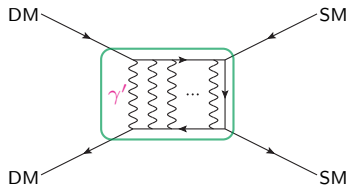
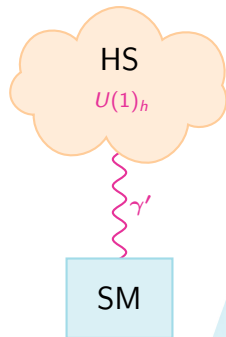


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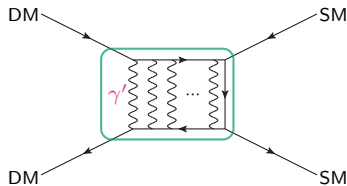
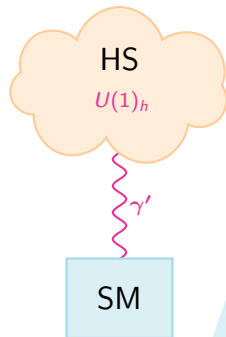


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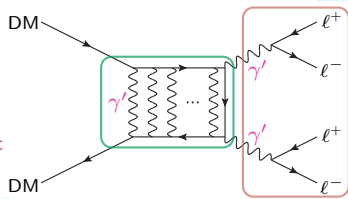
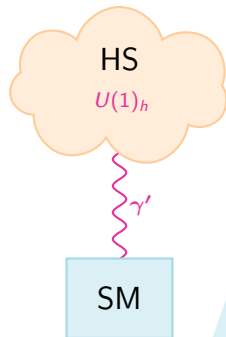
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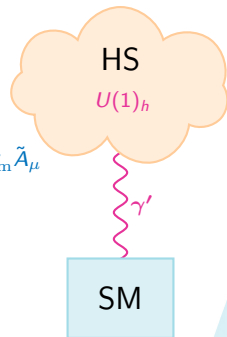
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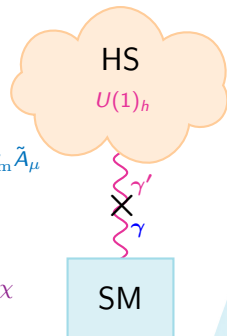
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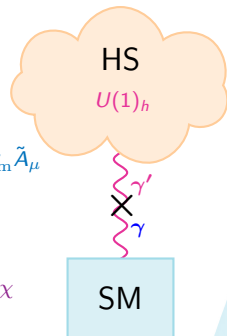
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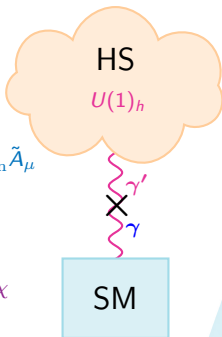
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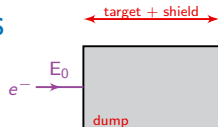
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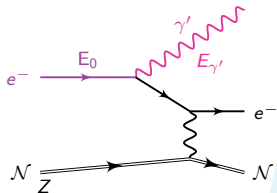
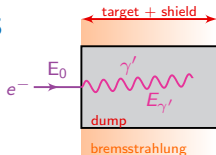
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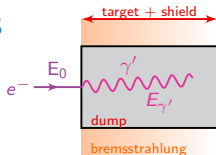
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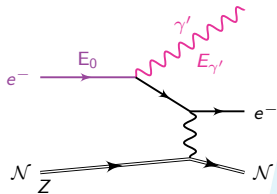
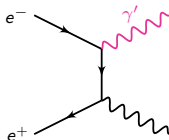
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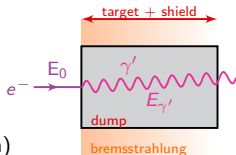
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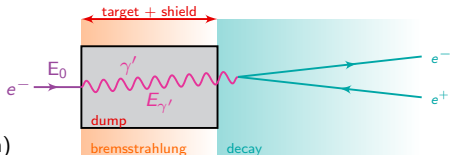
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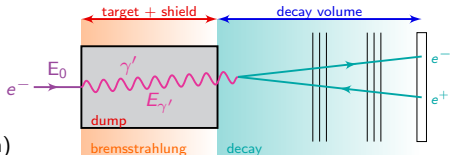


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- detect decay products (mostly e^+e^-)
- number of expected events:

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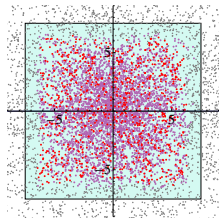
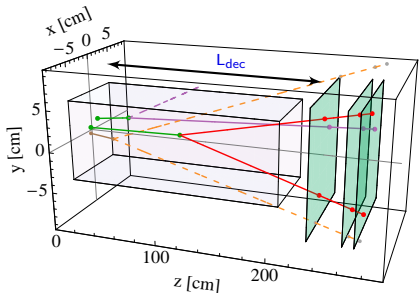
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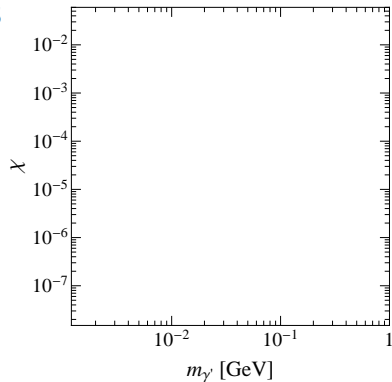
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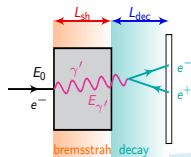
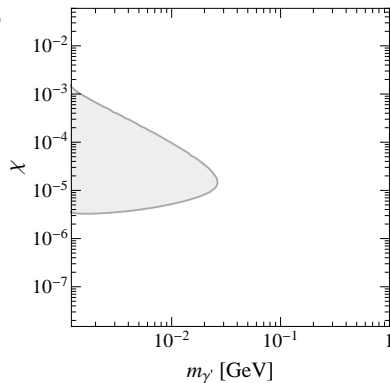


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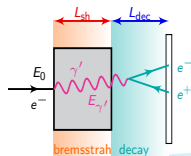
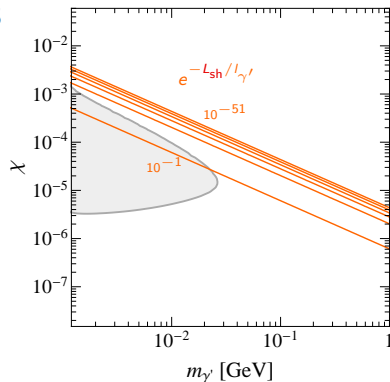
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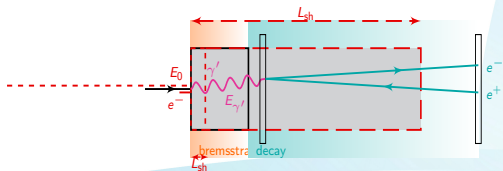
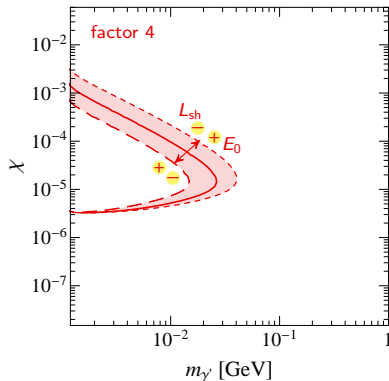
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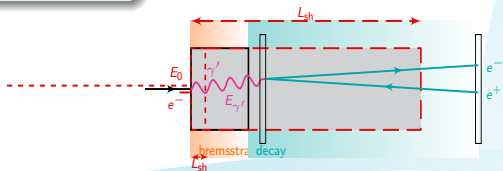
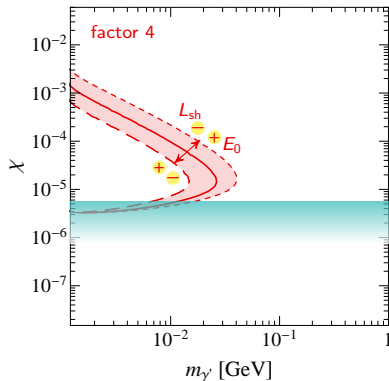
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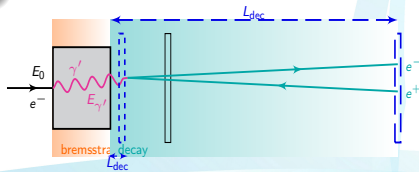
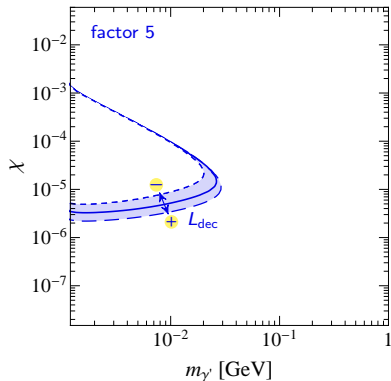
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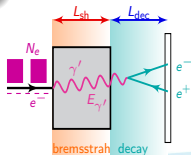
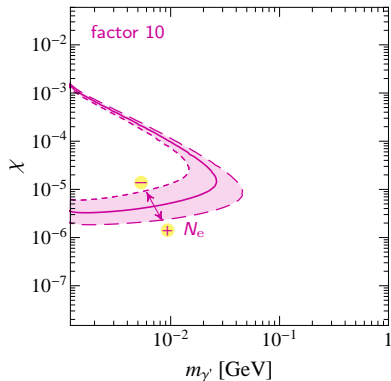
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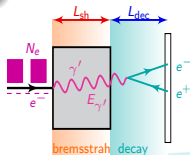
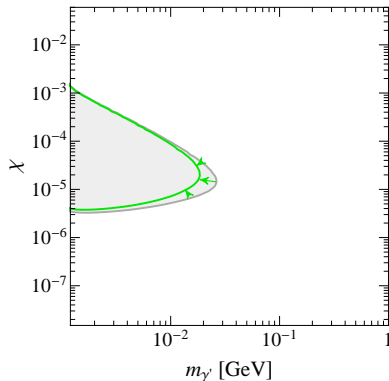
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▶ KEK Japan (1986) [Konaka *et al.* '86]

- $E_0 = 2.5$ GeV, $N_e = 27$ mC
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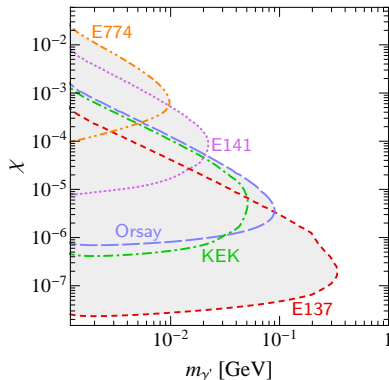
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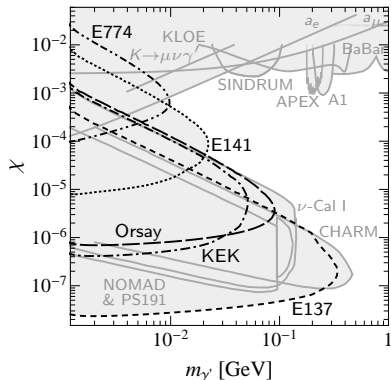
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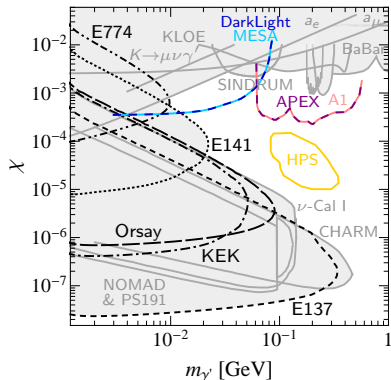
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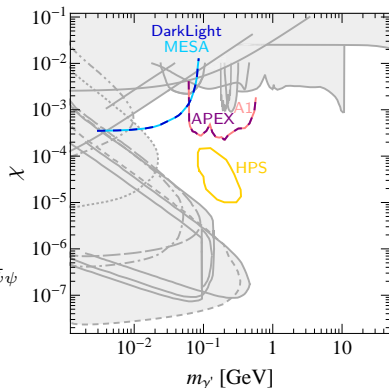
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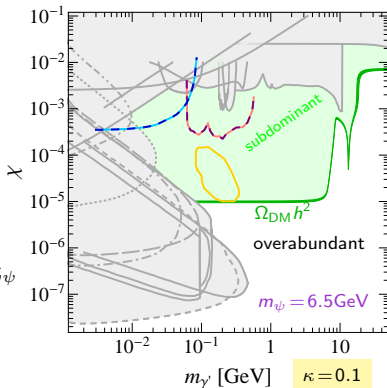
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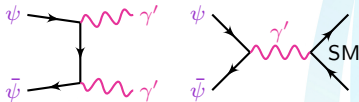
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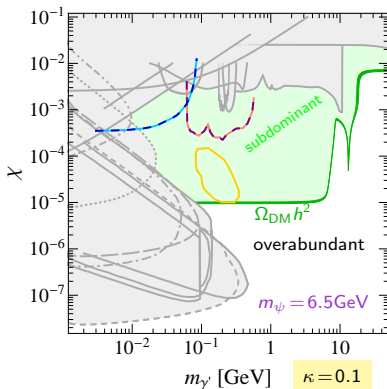
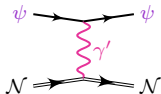
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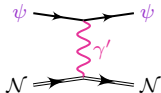
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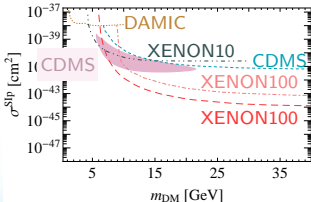
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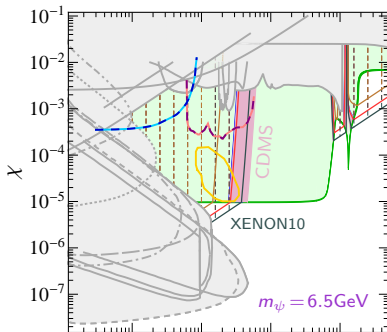
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DD limits and signals



[SA, Goodsell, Ringwald '11, '13]

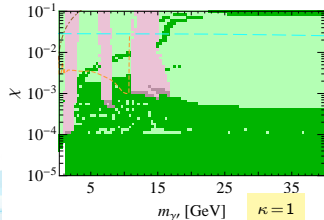


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SHM



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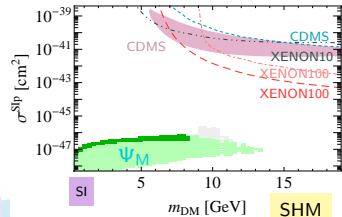
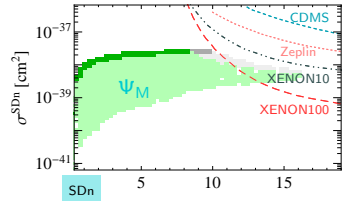
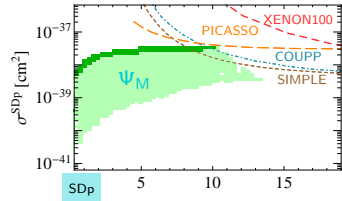
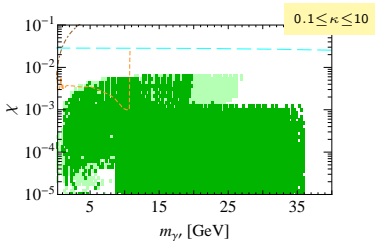
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(assume MSSM in visible sector)
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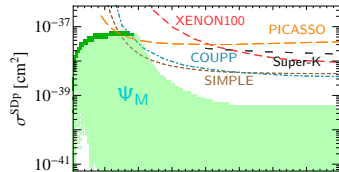
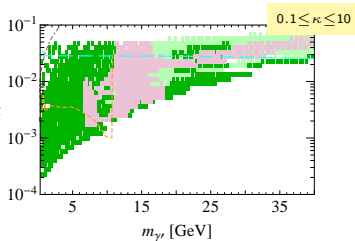
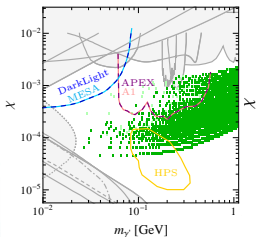
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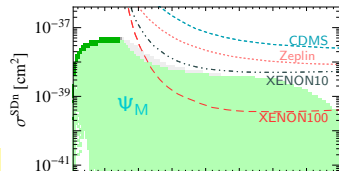
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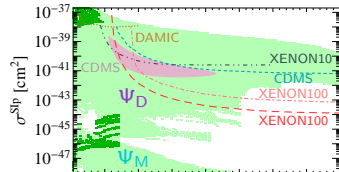
- Ψ_M : mostly SD (like rad. breaking)
- Ψ_D : mostly SI (like Toy-Model, but $m_{DM} < m_{\gamma'}$)



SDp



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\Rightarrow SI probe Ψ_D

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 - ◇ well motivated in many BSM scenarios and for dark matter
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Thank you!

