

## Generating X-ray lines from annihilating dark matter

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## Claims from two different analysis :

- Bulbul *et al.*

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### DETECTION OF AN UNIDENTIFIED EMISSION LINE IN THE STACKED X-RAY SPECTRUM OF GALAXY CLUSTERS

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### An unidentified line in X-ray spectra of the Andromeda galaxy and Perseus galaxy cluster

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# Datas coming from several astrophysical sources

XMN-Newton telescope  
Chandra telescope

Bulbul *et al.*

Boyarski *et al.*

73 clusters (centers only)

M31 galaxy (center and outskirts)

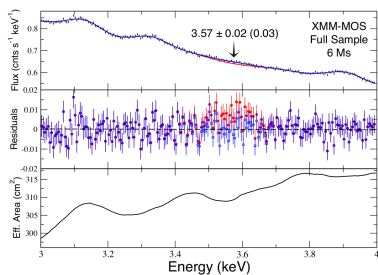
Perseus cluster (center only)

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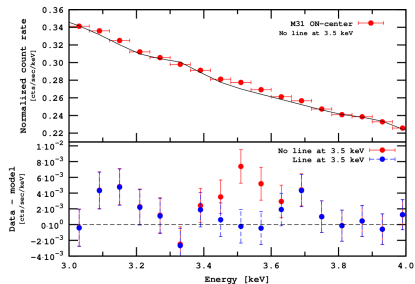
Virgo cluster (center only)

blank sky

→  $\gamma$ -ray line at 3.5 keV ( $>3\sigma$  significance)

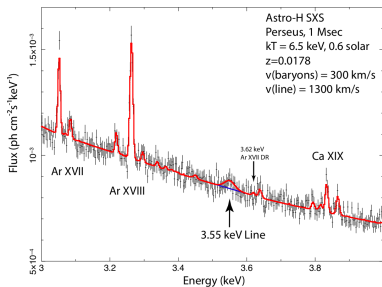


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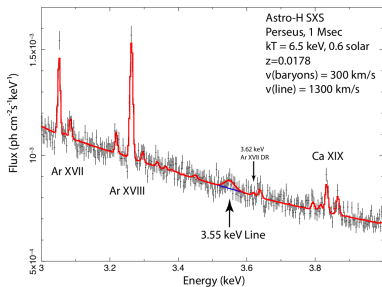
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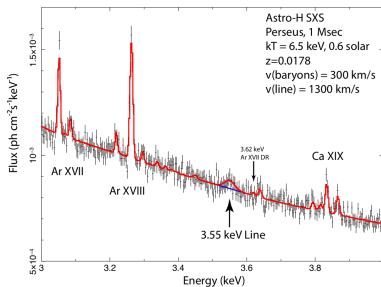


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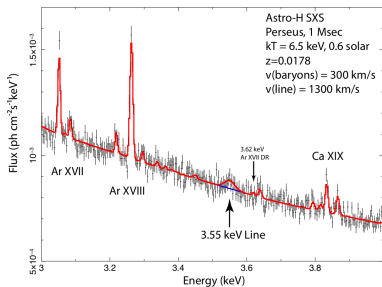
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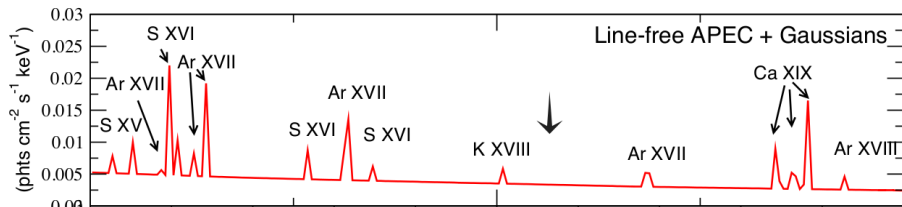


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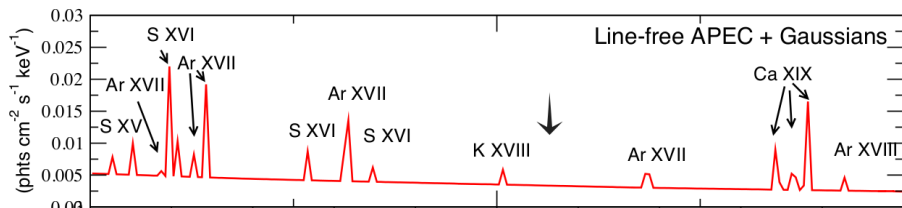
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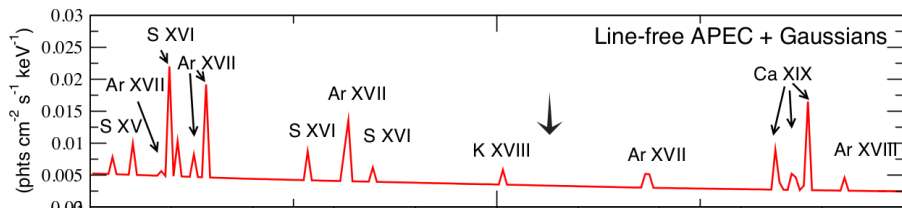
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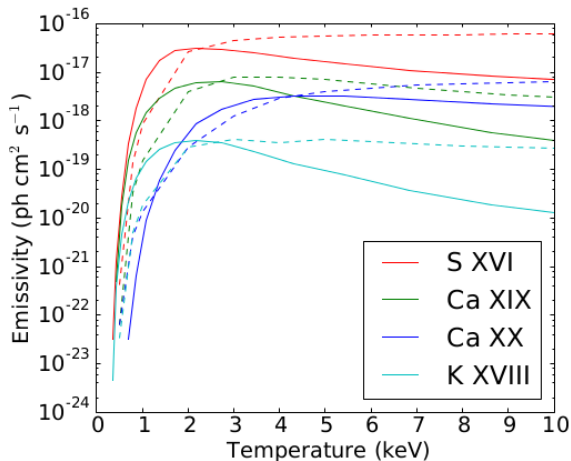
Bulbul et al.'s reaction :



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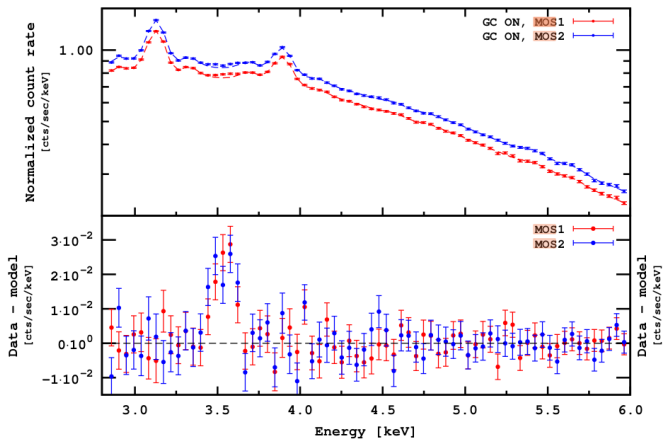
Indeed, Jeltema and Profumo :  $\epsilon(T) = \epsilon(T_{peak})N(T)/N(T_{peak})$

Overestimation of emissivity :



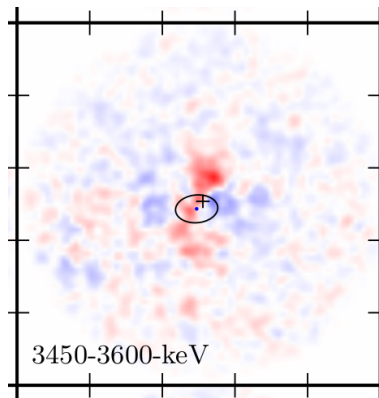
## What's up in our Galaxy?

Boyarsky *et al.* (August 2014) :



## Problems of profile...

Carlson, Jeltema, Profumo : profile of emission not compatible with an annihilating or decaying scenario



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↪ **Annihilating** dark matter ?

Conventional wisdom :

*No...*



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Simplest profile :

$$L \simeq 1.2 \times 10^{55} \left( \frac{3.5 \text{ keV}}{m_s} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\gamma\gamma}}{10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}} \right) \text{ ph.s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Flux condition : } \phi_{\gamma\gamma}^{th} = \phi_{\gamma\gamma}^{exp}$$

where

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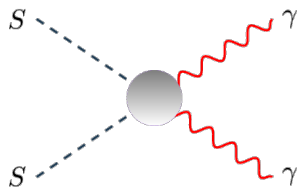
$$\phi_{\gamma\gamma}^{exp} = 5.2_{-2.13}^{+3.70} \times 10^{-5} \text{ ph.cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\gamma\gamma} \simeq (2 \times 10^{-33} - 4 \times 10^{-32}) \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

+ CMB constraints :

$$\longrightarrow 2 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1} < \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\gamma\gamma} < 8.5 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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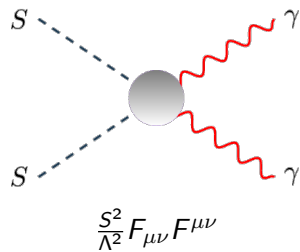
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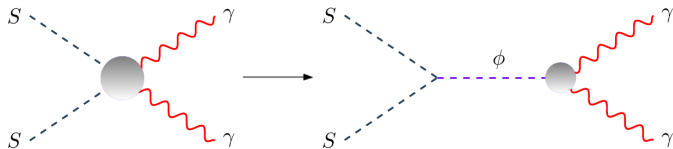

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**WRONG APPROACH** : light fields can be involved in the game !



Introduce a mediator  $\phi$ 

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$\hookrightarrow m_s = 3.5 \text{ keV}$ , and  $(m_\phi, \tilde{m}, \Lambda)$  free parameters?

## An explicit UV model

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{kin} + \frac{\mu^2}{2}(\sigma^2 + S^2) - \frac{\lambda}{4}(\sigma^2 + S^2)^2 - \bar{\psi}(h_1\sigma + ih_2S\gamma_5)\psi + \frac{\sigma}{\Lambda}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$$

→  $\psi$  : hidden sector, SM singlets

$$\text{With } \Phi \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\sigma + iS)$$

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$\mathcal{L}$  invariant under

$$U(1)_V \quad : \quad \psi \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} \psi \quad , \quad \Phi \rightarrow \Phi \quad ,$$

whereas only  $\mathcal{L}_0$  invariant under

$$U(1)_A \quad : \quad \psi \rightarrow e^{i\beta \gamma_5} \psi \quad , \quad \Phi \rightarrow e^{-2i\beta} \Phi .$$

→ Exact symmetry if  $h_1 = h_2$

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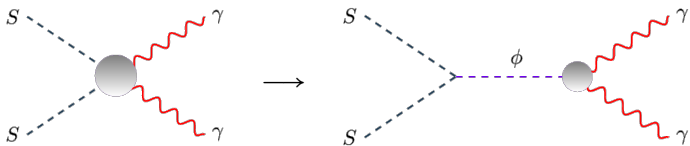
Theoretical expectation :  $\tilde{m} \lesssim m_\phi$

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## Two cases :

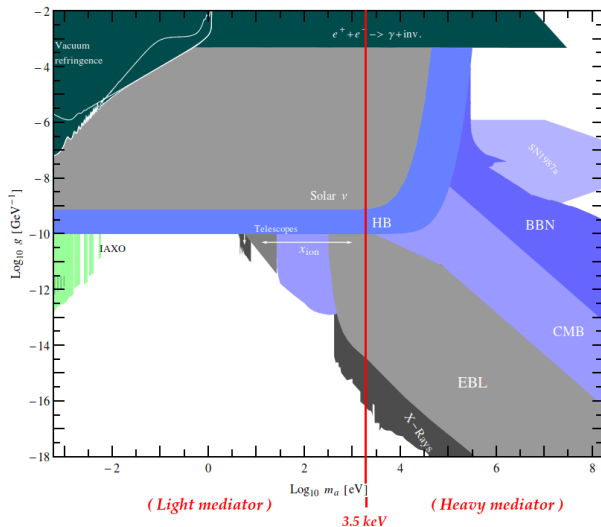
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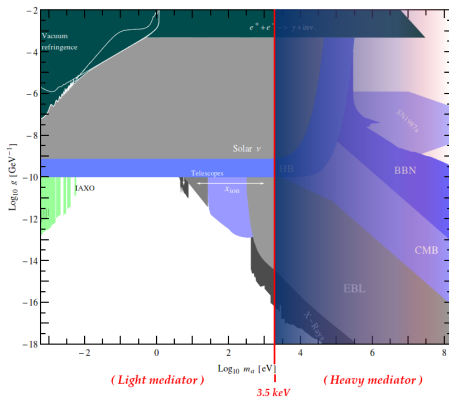
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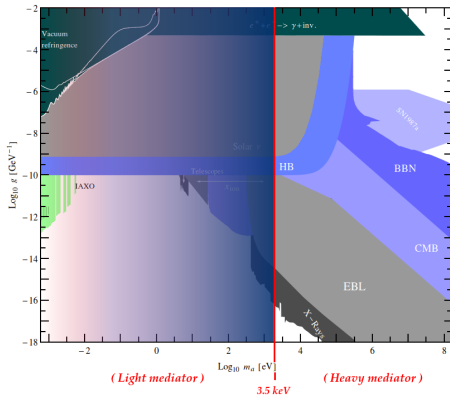


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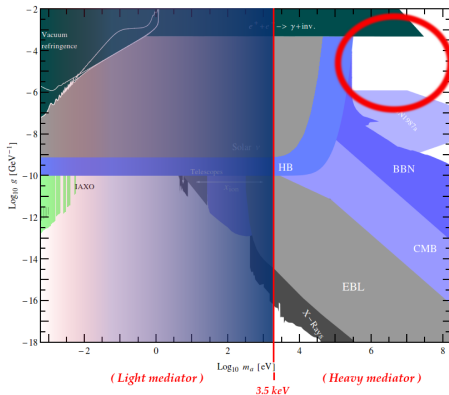
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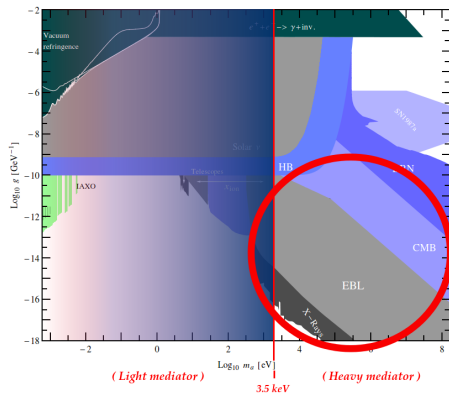
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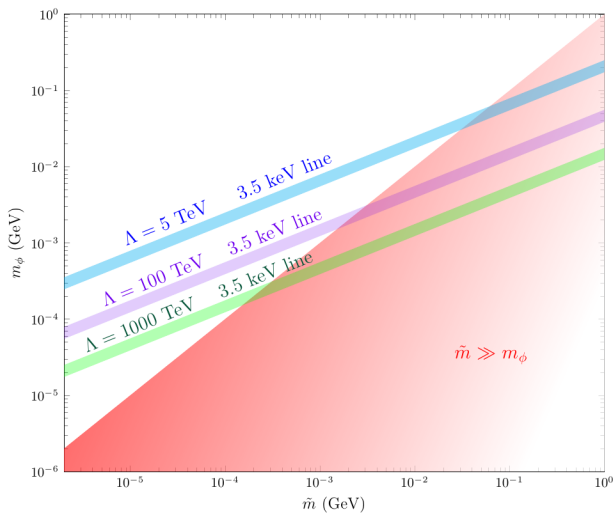


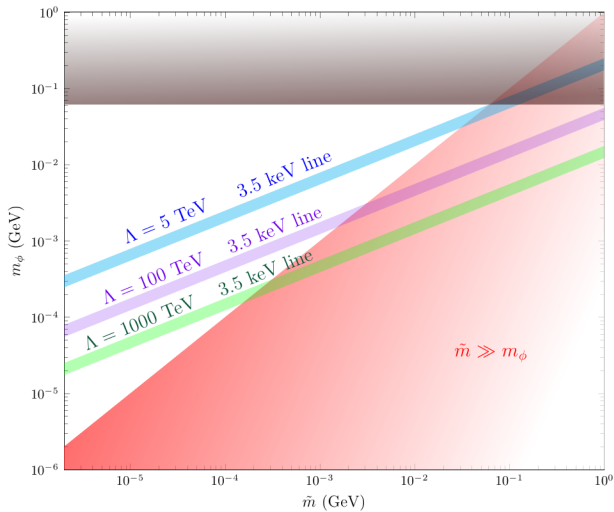
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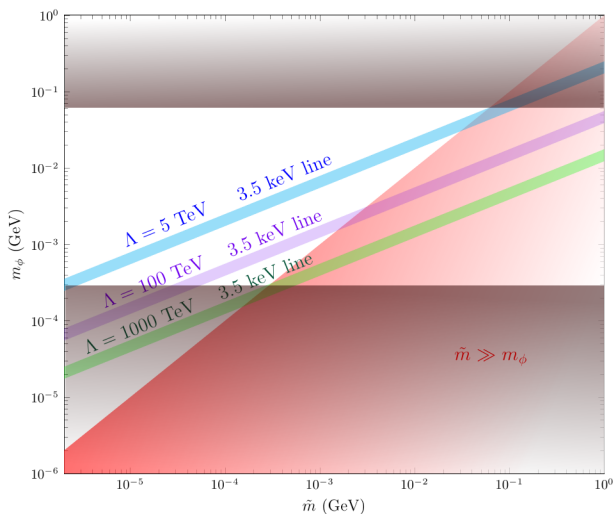


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or  $[\Lambda \gtrsim 10^{8-10}\text{GeV}, \tilde{m} \gg m_\phi] \rightarrow \dots$  Excluded







$$m_\phi \gtrsim 300 \text{ keV and } \Lambda \gtrsim 5 \text{ TeV} \longrightarrow m_\phi \in [300\text{keV} - 50\text{MeV}]$$

## A lack of production...

Flux :  $\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\gamma\gamma} \sim 10^{-33} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$

Relic abundance :  $\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\gamma\gamma} \sim 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$  needed...

→ Hot scenario ?

→ FIMP scenario ?

→ **Alternative channels of annihilation required.**

For instance : Sterile neutrino production

$$-\mathcal{L}_\nu = \frac{M}{2} \nu_R \nu_R + m_D \nu_L \nu_R + \lambda_\nu \phi \nu_R \nu_R + h.c.$$

Assuming  $M \ll m_s$  :

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\nu\nu} \sim \frac{\lambda_\nu^2}{8\pi^2} \left( \frac{\tilde{m}}{m_s} \right)^2 \frac{m_s^2}{(4m_s^2 - m_\phi^2)^2}$$

# Hidden temperature ?

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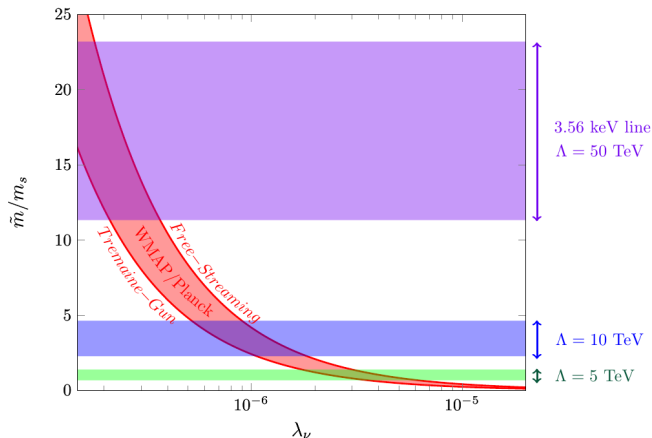
$$0.015 \langle \sigma v \rangle_0 \lesssim \langle \sigma v \rangle \lesssim 0.045 \langle \sigma v \rangle_0$$

- Tremaine-Gunn bound : Hidden temperature cannot be too low
- Free streaming length : High temperature  $\rightarrow$  high velocities, can destroy large scale structures..

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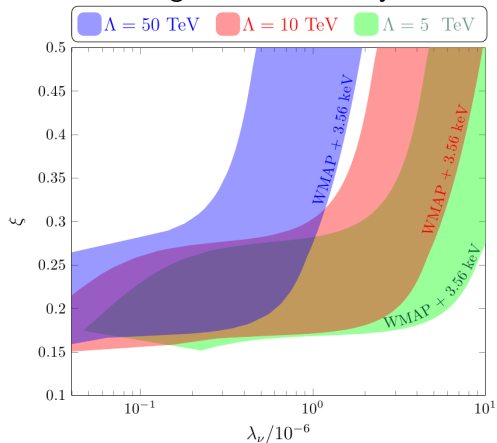
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# Conclusions and outlooks

- **Annihilating DM** hard to handle but still possible to achieve with **light intermediate fields**,
- Prediction of a **light scalar particle coupling to photons of mass**  $m_\phi \in [300\text{keV} - 50\text{MeV}]$ ,
- Possible to fit relic density constraints with hidden channels such as sterile neutrinos, other channels can be investigated,
- Hidden thermal baths features give **freedom on the relic density to match with**, which should be studied in more evolved dynamical simulations...

Thanks !