

# Comprehensive Dark Matter Searches



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# The (Inconvenient) Truth about DM

We have many hints DM exist, **but no direct evidence!**

If particle DM exists, **what do we know about it?**

## Dark Matter:

1. Mass = ???
2. Spin = ???
3. Decays = ???
4. Interactions = Gravity, ???
5. Elementary = ???
6. ...

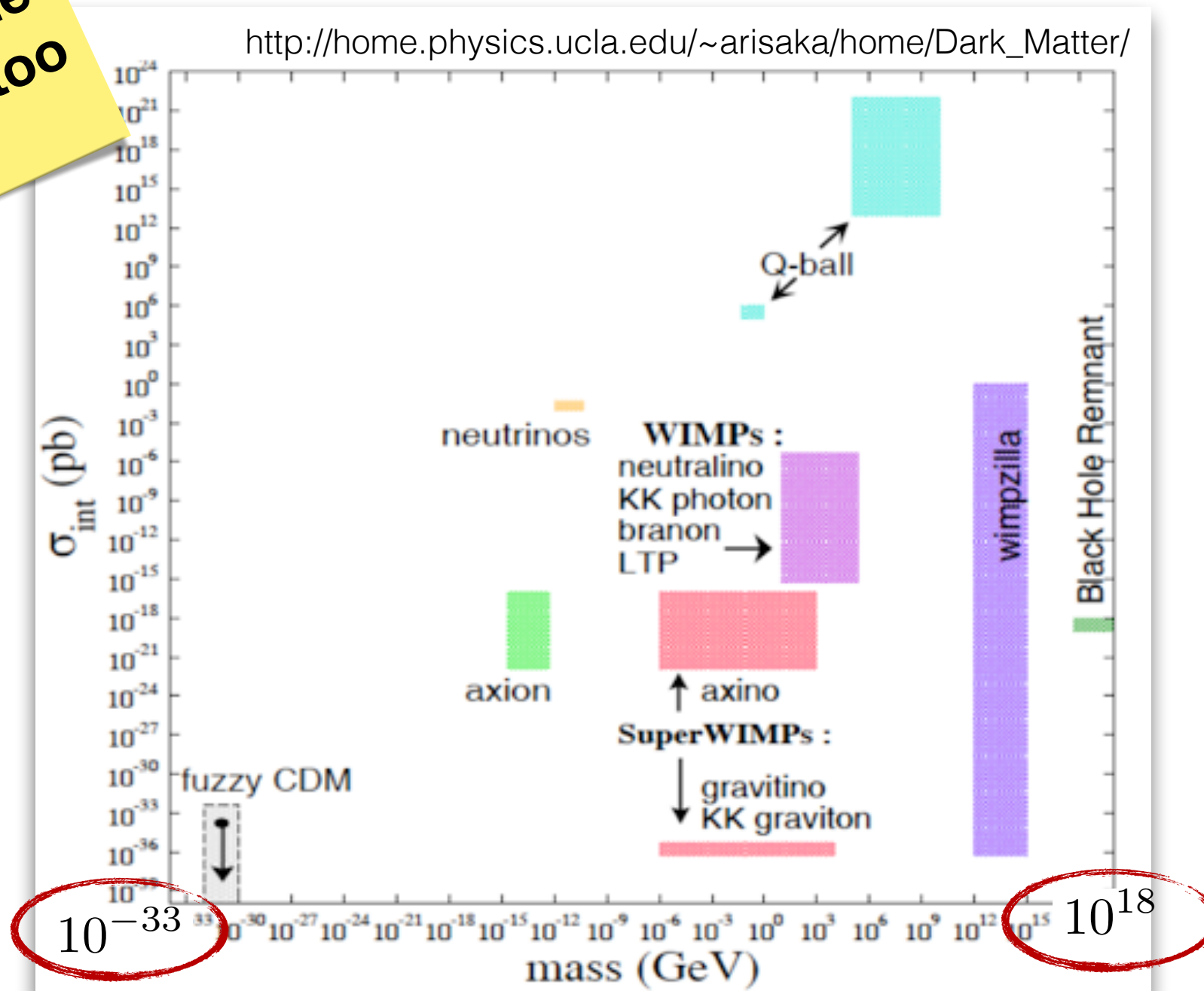
DM could in principle only interact gravitationally...

... **in which case, the rest of  
this talk is completely useless**

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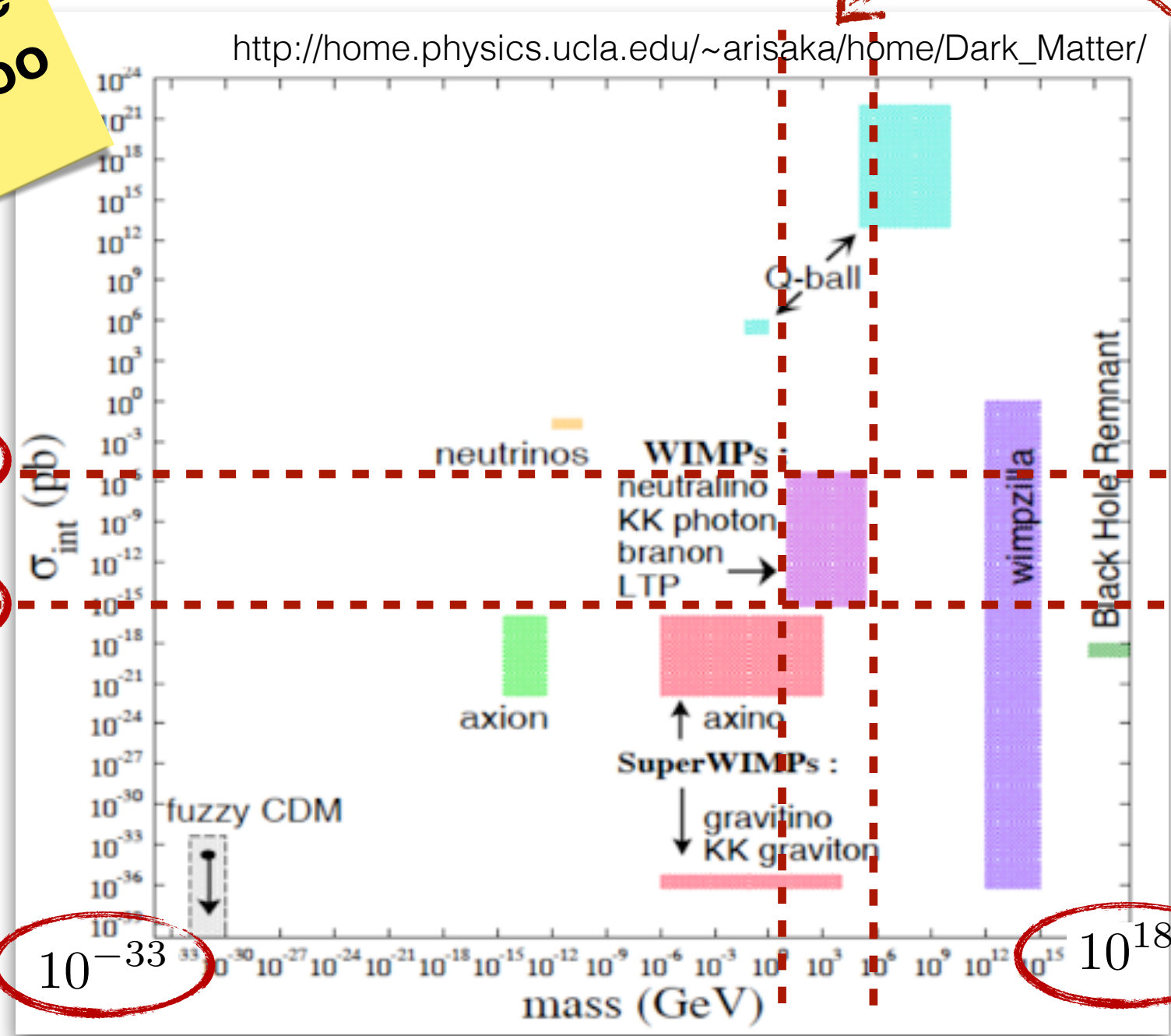
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$10^{-6}$

$10^{-25}$

$10^{-33}$

$10^{18}$



Even if you only consider **WIMPs**, they span:

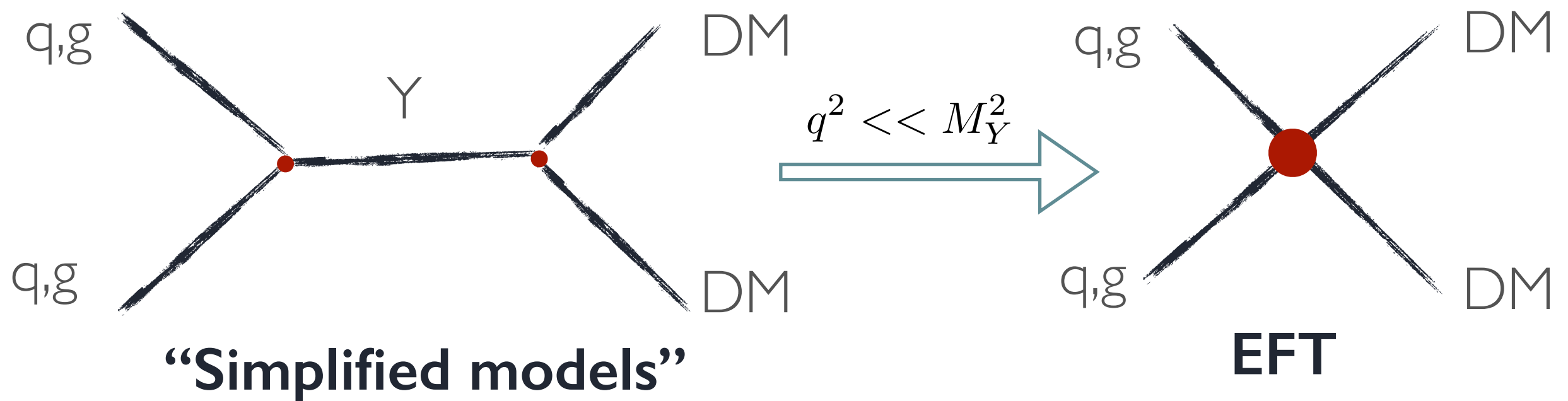
**6 orders of magnitude in mass** and **19 orders of magnitude in interaction cross section**



# DM Simplified Models

It is hence **imperative** to cover as much ground as possible:

One option is to study **simplified models**:



- ◆ Probably the “best deal for your buck”.
- ◆ Simplified models allow to cover many classes of UV complete theories.



# DM Simplified Models

Simplified models “standardized”:

arXiv:1507.00966v1 [hep-ex] 3 Jul 2015

Dark Matter Benchmark Models for Early LHC Run-2 Searches:  
Report of the ATLAS/CMS Dark Matter Forum

August 8, 2016

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LHC Dark Matter Working Group:

**Recommendations on presenting LHC searches for missing transverse energy signals using simplified  $s$ -channel models of dark matter**

arXiv:1603.04156v1 [hep-ex] 14 Mar 2016

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## Example (vector mediator):

Couplings to the dark sector:

$$\mathcal{L}_{X_D}^{Y_1} = \bar{X}_D \gamma_\mu (g_{X_D}^V + g_{X_D}^A \gamma_5) X_D Y_1^\mu$$

Couplings to the quarks:

$$\mathcal{L}_{SM}^{Y_1} = \sum_{i,j} \left[ \bar{d}_i \gamma_\mu (g_{d_{ij}}^V + g_{d_{ij}}^A \gamma_5) d_j + \bar{u}_i \gamma_\mu (g_{u_{ij}}^V + g_{u_{ij}}^A \gamma_5) u_j \right] Y_1^\mu$$



# DM Simplified Models at LHC

Recently **much exp. effort** to study Simplified Models at colliders:

Since 2014: - 23 DM papers from **ATLAS**

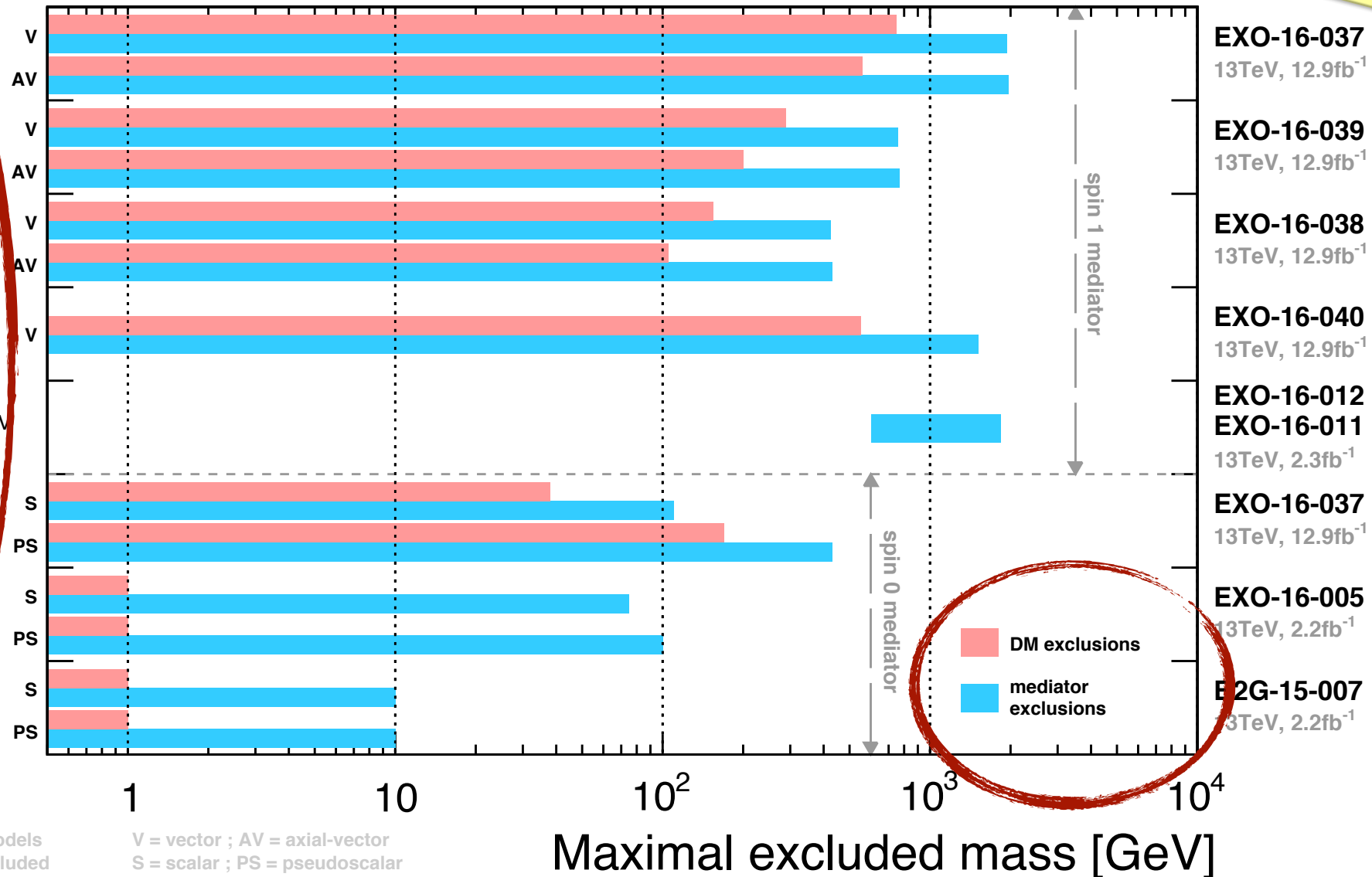
- 35 DM papers from **CMS**

Many final states & simplified models considered!

- DM + jets/V( $q\bar{q}$ )  
 $g_{DM}=1, g_q=0.25$
- DM +  $\gamma$   
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- DM + Z( $\Gamma\Gamma$ )  
 $g_{DM}=1, g_q=0.25$
- DM + t  
 $g_{DM}=1, a_{FC}=b_{FC}=0.25$
- DM + H(bb/ $\gamma\gamma$ )  
 $m_{A^0}=300\text{GeV}; m_{DM}=100\text{GeV}$   
 $g_Z=0.8$
- DM + jets/V( $q\bar{q}$ )  
 $g_{DM}=g_q=1$
- DM +  $t\bar{t}$   $\sigma/\sigma_0 = 2$   
 $g_{DM}=g_q=1$
- DM +  $b\bar{b}/t\bar{t}$   $\sigma/\sigma_0 = 5$   
 $g_{DM}=g_q=1$   $\sigma/\sigma_0 = 30$

**CMS Preliminary**

**Dark Matter Summary - ICHEP 2016**



Observed limits at 95%CL for considered simplified models  
Theory uncertainties not included

V = vector ; AV = axial-vector  
S = scalar ; PS = pseudoscalar

Maximal excluded mass [GeV]



# Dark Matter (DM) searches

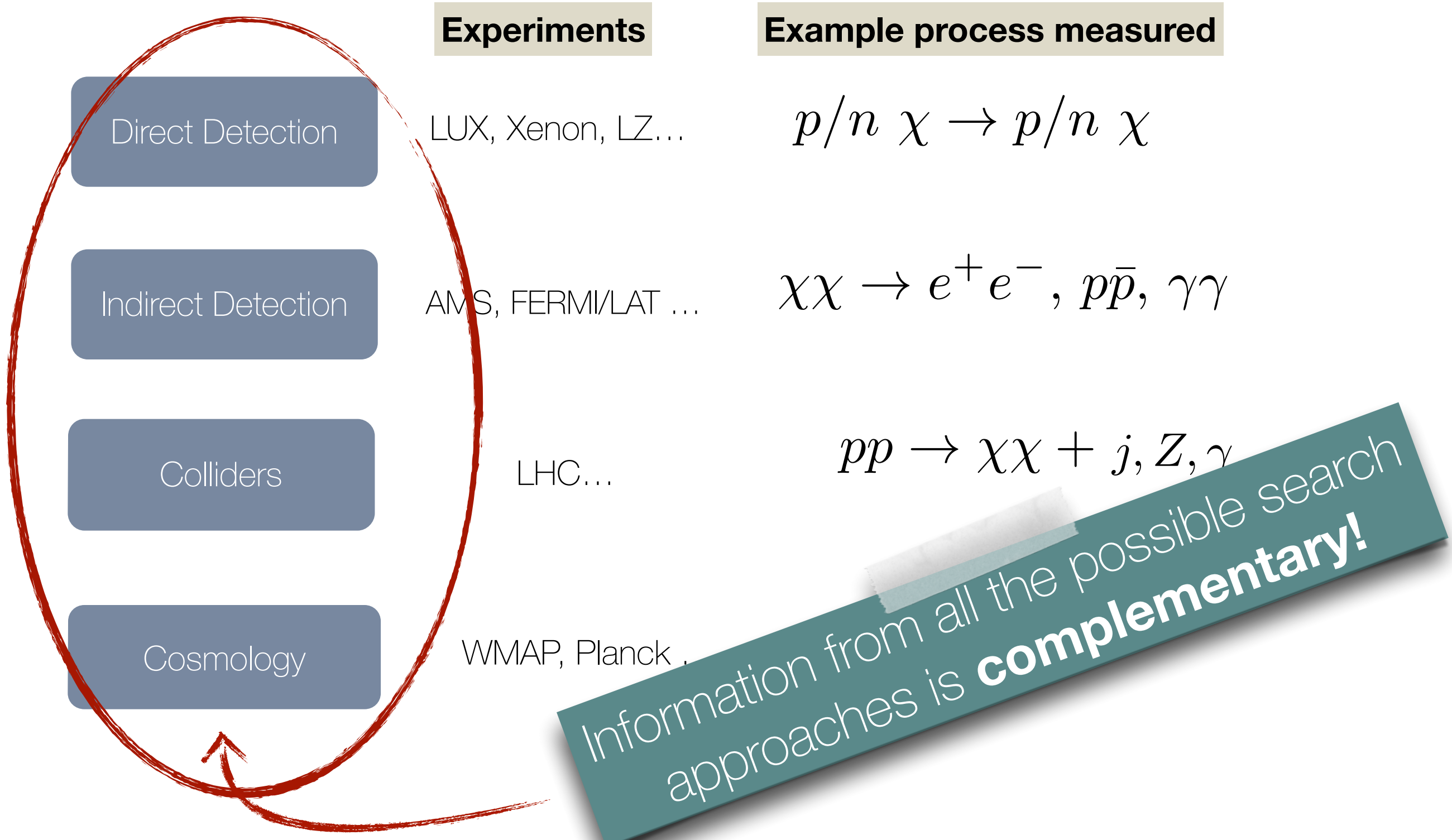
DM searches at the interface of **collider physics, astrophysics and cosmology:**

	Experiments	Example process measured
Direct Detection	LUX, Xenon, LZ...	$p/n \chi \rightarrow p/n \chi$
Indirect Detection	AMS, FERMI/LAT ...	$\chi\chi \rightarrow e^+e^-, p\bar{p}, \gamma\gamma$
Colliders	LHC...	$pp \rightarrow \chi\chi + j, Z, \gamma...$
Cosmology	WMAP, Planck ...	$\chi\chi \rightarrow \text{all}$



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DM studies at the interface of **collider physics**

**Complementarity is important** because:

- a) In case we **don't observe DM**, it allows us to efficiently “carve out” the remaining possible DM scenarios.
- b) In case we **do observe DM**, it allows us to determine the properties of DM more accurately.

Colliders

LHC...

$$pp \rightarrow \chi\chi + j, Z, \gamma$$

Cosmology

WMAP, Planck...

Information from all the possible search approaches is **complementary!**



# DM Simplified Models at LHC

At this point, a theorist will ask two  
(or more) questions:

1. What kinds of **UV completions** (and related issues) can we study from simplified models?



*Do I have to worry about anomalies?*

*Mixing with SM particles?*

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2. Can we **improve** the LHC searches for DM in any way?



*- Effect of NLO corrections?*

*- Complementarity of LHC and other searches?*

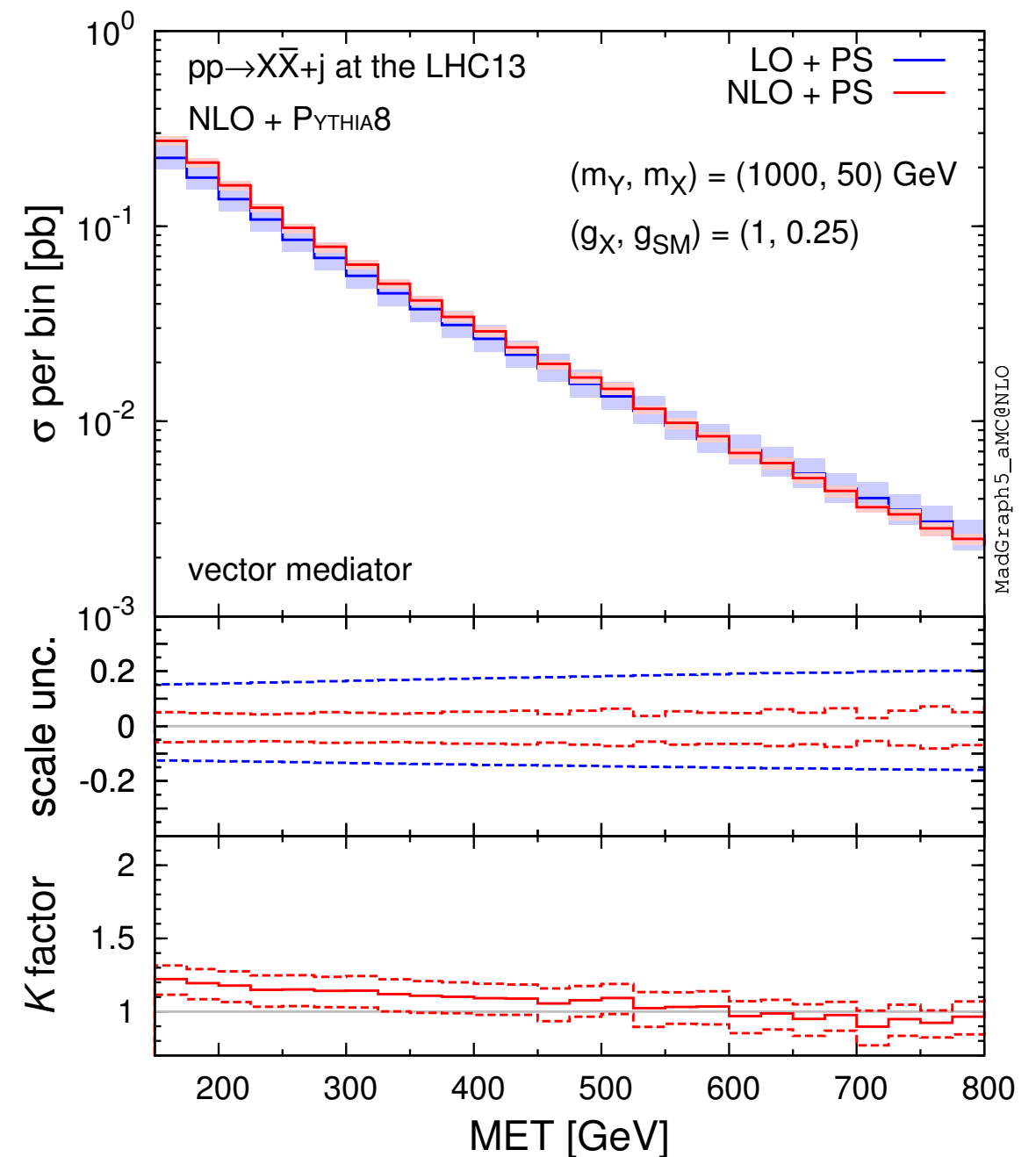
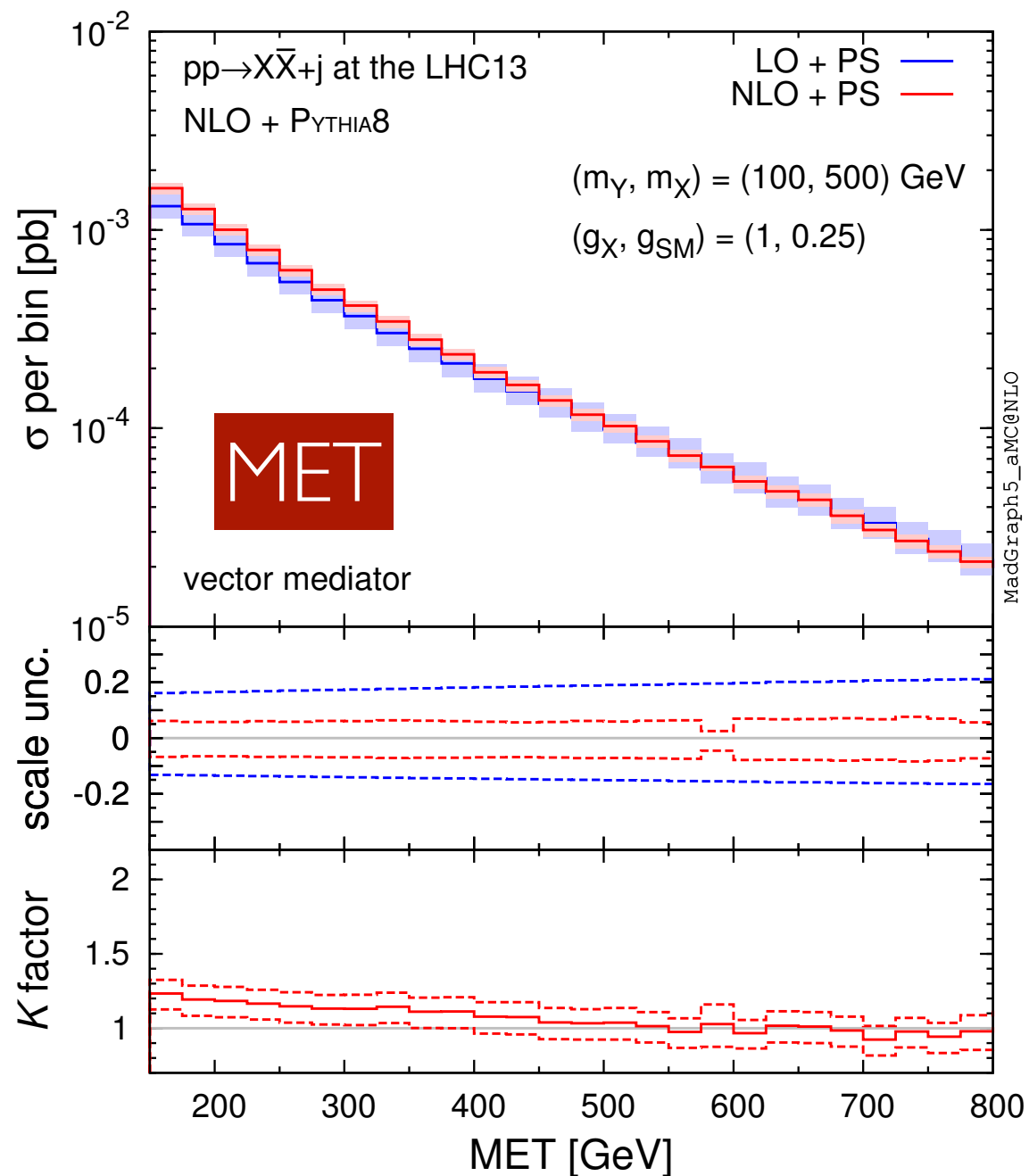
*- How comprehensive are LHC DM searches?*

*- Can we further automate the computations?*

# DM production at NLO (QCD)

Let's look at a few examples:

Simplified models with large mass scales don't have large NLO K-factors

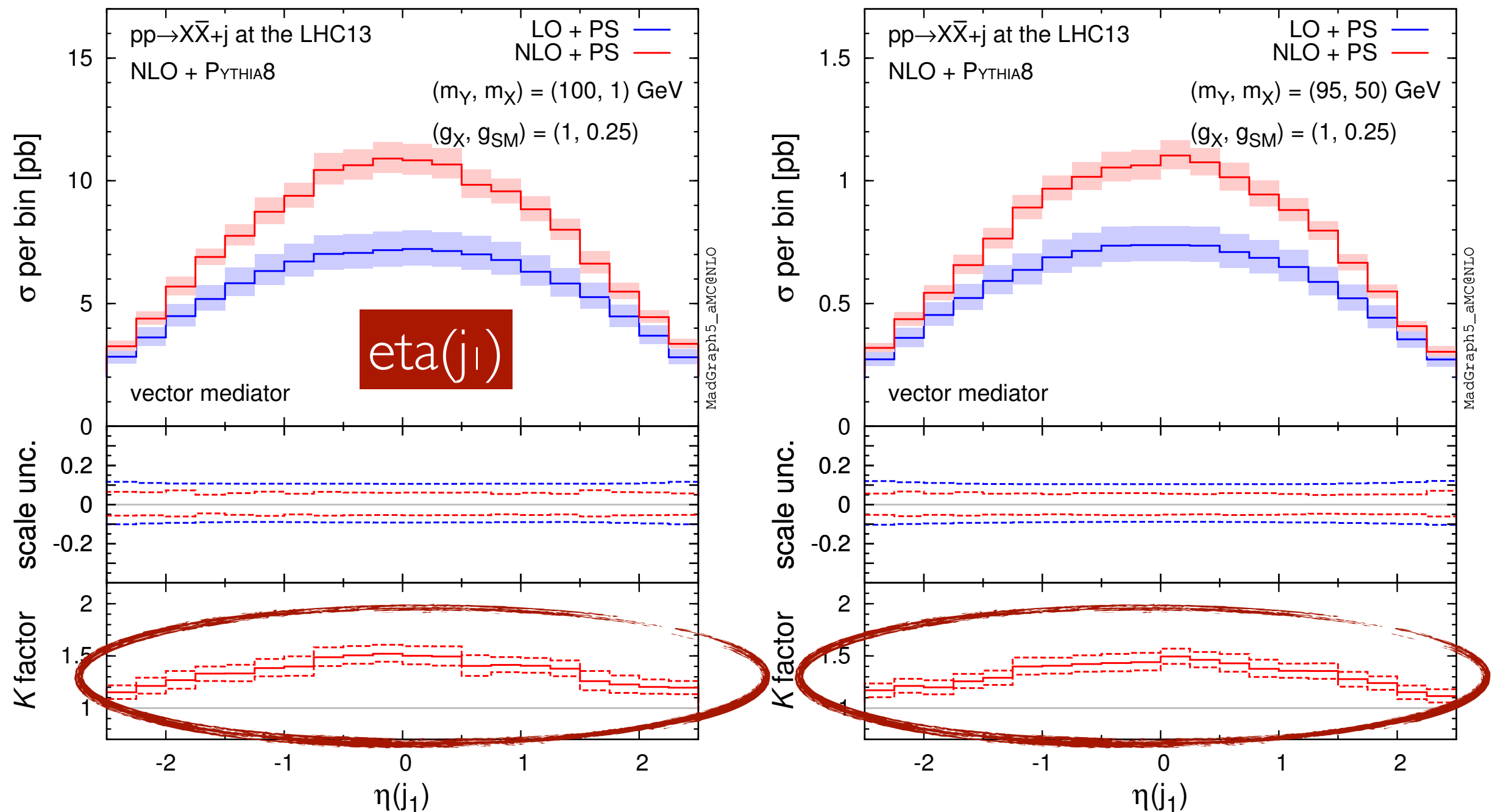


... but you get a **factor of 2 improvement in scale uncertainties!**



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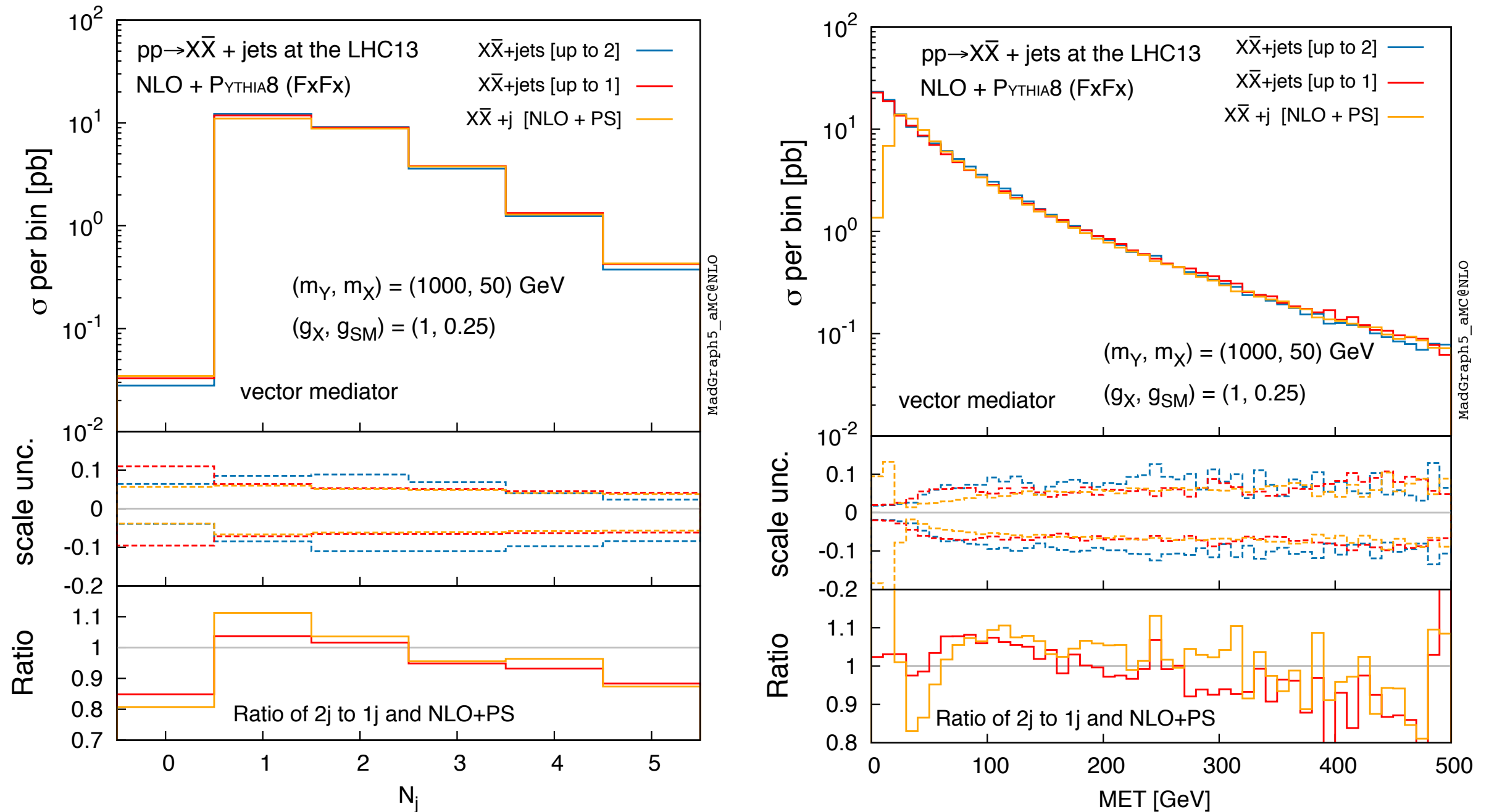
Also, **shapes of distributions** can be affected by NLO corrections



Simple overall K-factors **might not be enough** to capture the NLO effects!

# DM production at NLO (QCD)

## Effects of NLO merging (FxFx)



Merging effects are relatively small ( $\sim 10\%$ )



# DM production at NLO

## Tools for NLO (QCD) simp. models

- **POWHEG + PS**  
(Haisch, Re, Kahlhoefer)
- **MCFM** (Fox, Williams)

**Works great...**

but “brute force”  
implementation.  
Not very flexible.

- **MG5\_aMC@NLO**

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It is a great thing that we have more than one tool!!!



# DM production at NLO

DM simplified models for s-channel mediators are **implemented** in the aMC@NLO framework at NLO (QCD) accuracy **(and publicly available)**

Publication	Mediator (s-ch.)	DM	Interactions
arXiv:1508.05327 ( <b>MB</b> , Kramer, Maltoni, Martini, Mawatari, Pellen)	S, PS, V, PV	Dirac, Scalar, CScalar	q, t
arXiv:1508.00564 (Mattelaer, Vryonidou)	S, PS, V, PV	Dirac	b, t ( <b>loop induced</b> )
arXiv:1509.05785 (Neubert,	S, PS, V, PV	Dirac, Cscalar	Z

With the FeynRules+NLOCT we can generate the NLO UFO models quickly!

More coming!

# Comprehensive DM studies

## Collider Signals

- w/ missing energy
- w/o missing energy

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## Cosmological Signals

- DM relic density
- Baryon asymmetry
- ...

## Astro-physical Signals

- cosmic ray fluxes
- direct detection
- ...

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## Complex Parameter Spaces

- Scans over N parameters

**= Comprehensive DM study**

How difficult is it to do this in a generic DM scenario?



# Example: Top-philic DM simplified model

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$$\mathcal{L}_{t,X}^{Y_0} = - \left( g_t \frac{y_t}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{t}t + g_X \bar{X}X \right) Y_0 .$$

Four free parameters:  $g_t, g_X, m_X, m_Y$

Arise from UV complete theories?

- $Y_0$  could be part of an SU(2) doublet  
→ 2HDM with a large degree of alignment  $\cos(\beta - \alpha) \sim 0$   
[see e.g. Craig et al. '13; Carena et al. '13]

- $Y_0$  SM singlet  
→ Higgs-Portal model

Additional phenomenological aspects

[see e.g. Kim et al. '08; Baek et al. '11, '14; Lopez-Honorez et al. '12; Khoze et al. '15; Ko, et al. '16]

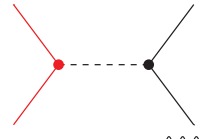
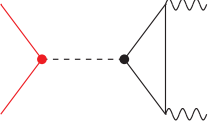
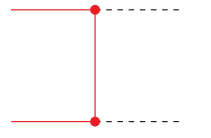
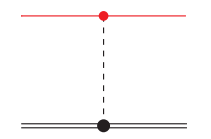
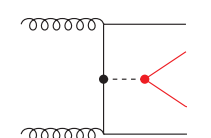
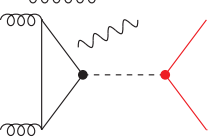
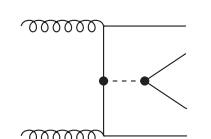
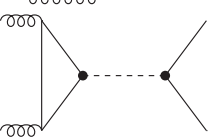
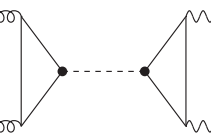
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## Plethora of signatures

Cosmology	relic		$m_X > m_t$	
	indirect		$m_X < m_t$	Planck, FermiLAT
Astrophysics			$m_X > m_Y$	
	direct		$m_X > 1 \text{ GeV}$	LUX, CDMSLite
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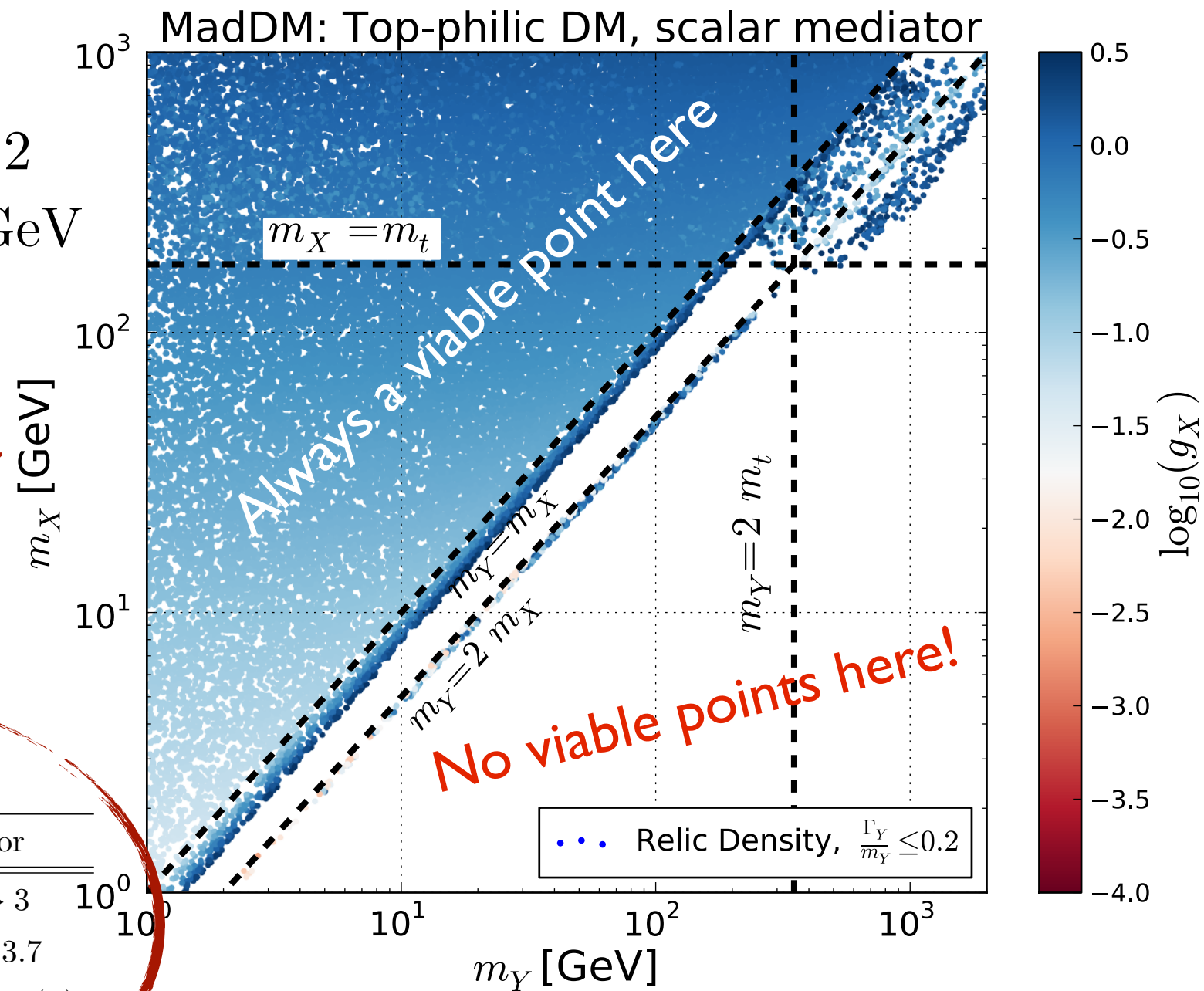
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## Relic density constraints

$$\Gamma_Y/m_Y < 0.2$$

$$\Gamma_Y > 10^{-11} \text{ GeV}$$



Scan:

MULTINEST parameter	Prior
$\log(m_X / \text{GeV})$	$0 \rightarrow 3$
$\log(m_Y / \text{GeV})$	$0 \rightarrow 3.7$
$\log(g_X)$	$-4 \rightarrow \log(\pi)$
$\log(g_t)$	$-4 \rightarrow \log(\pi)$

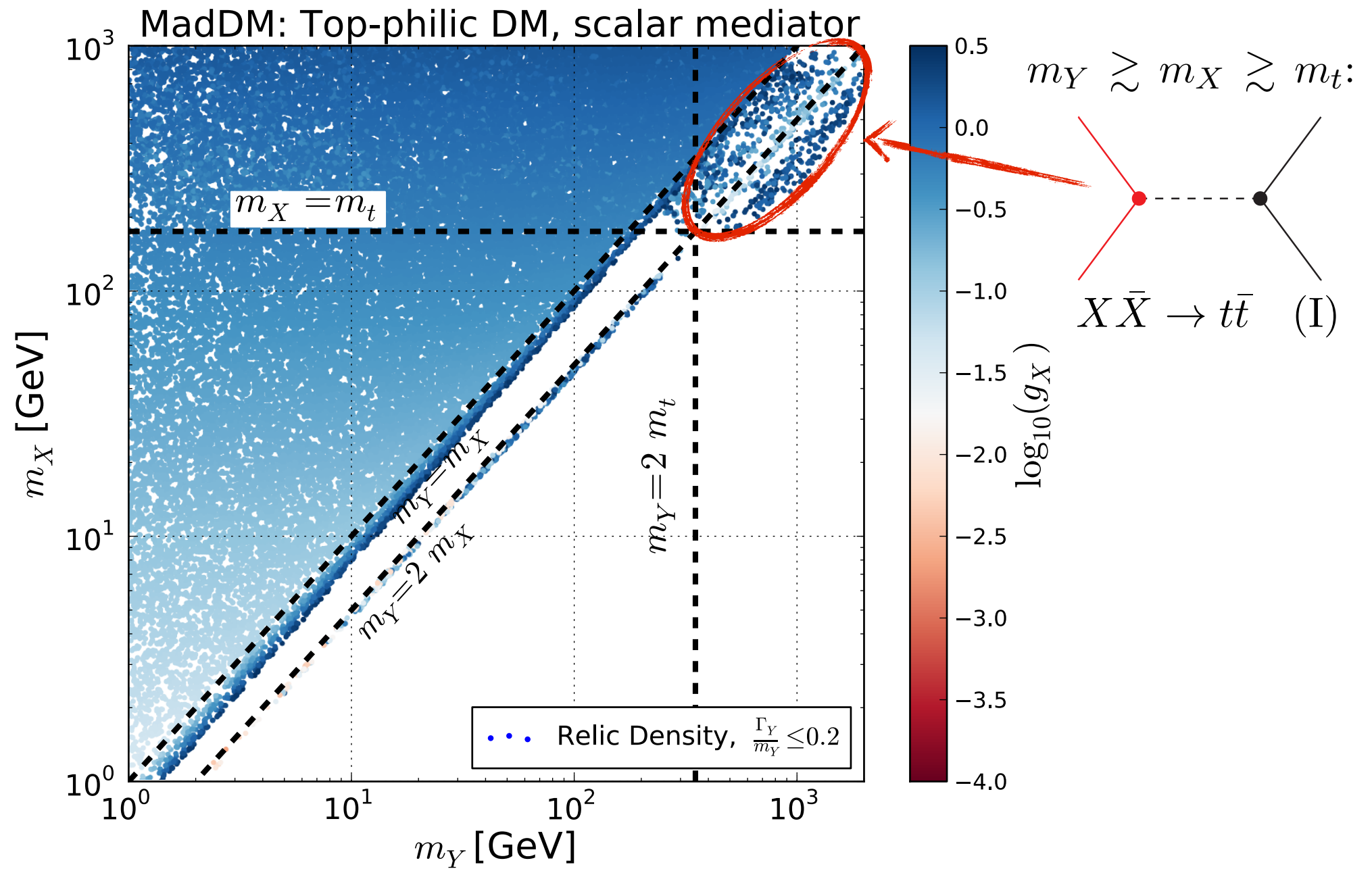
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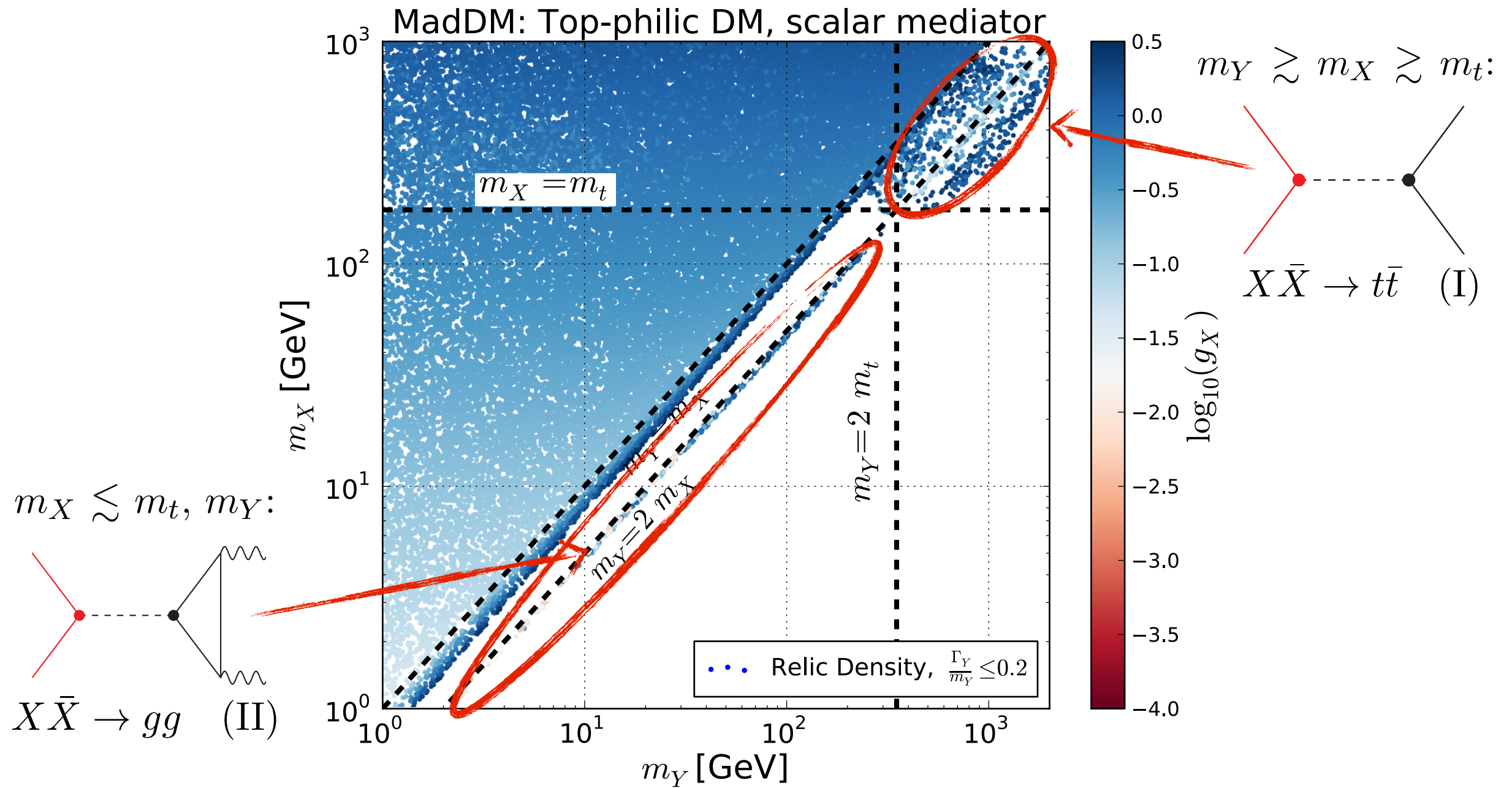
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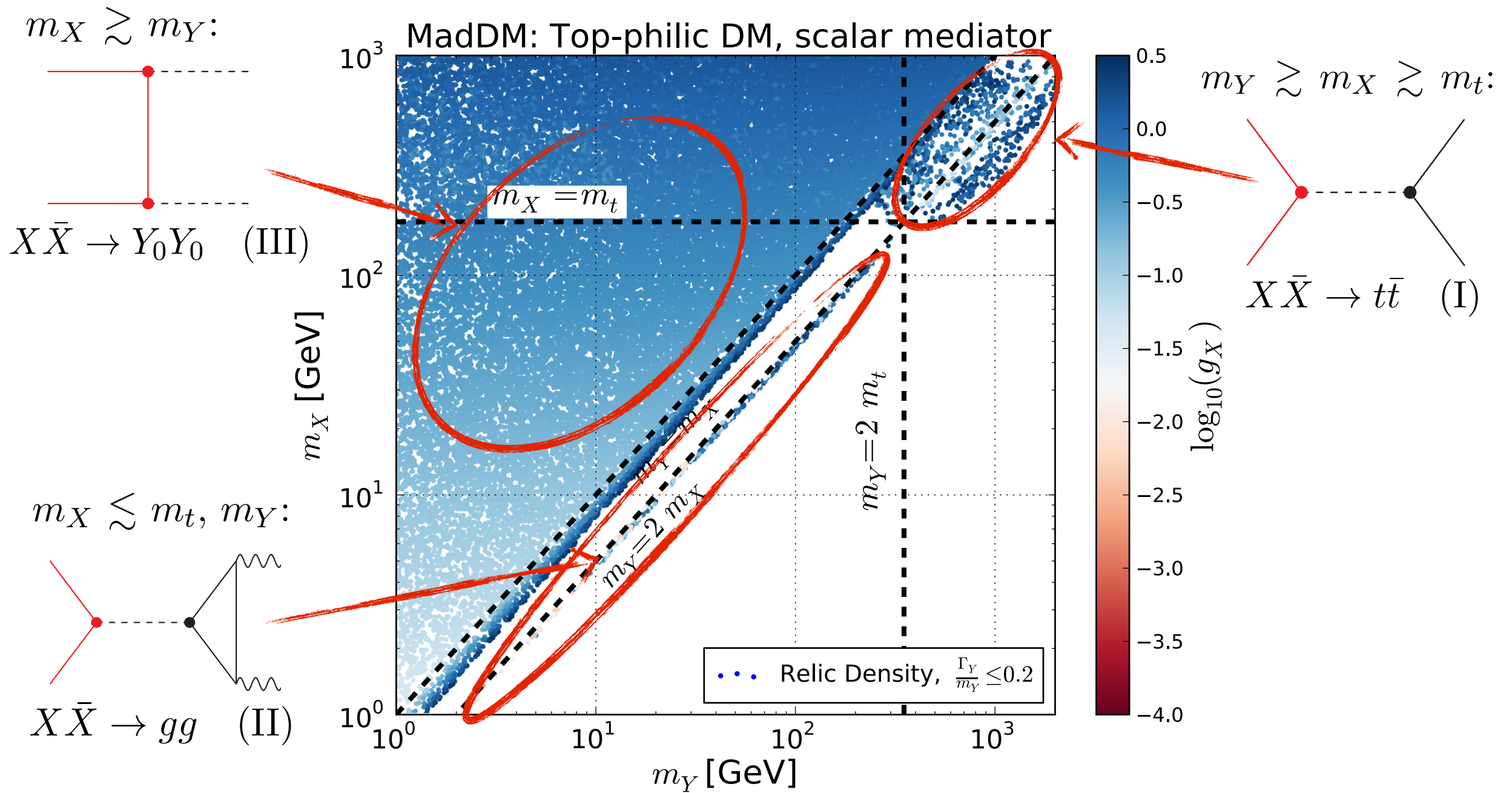
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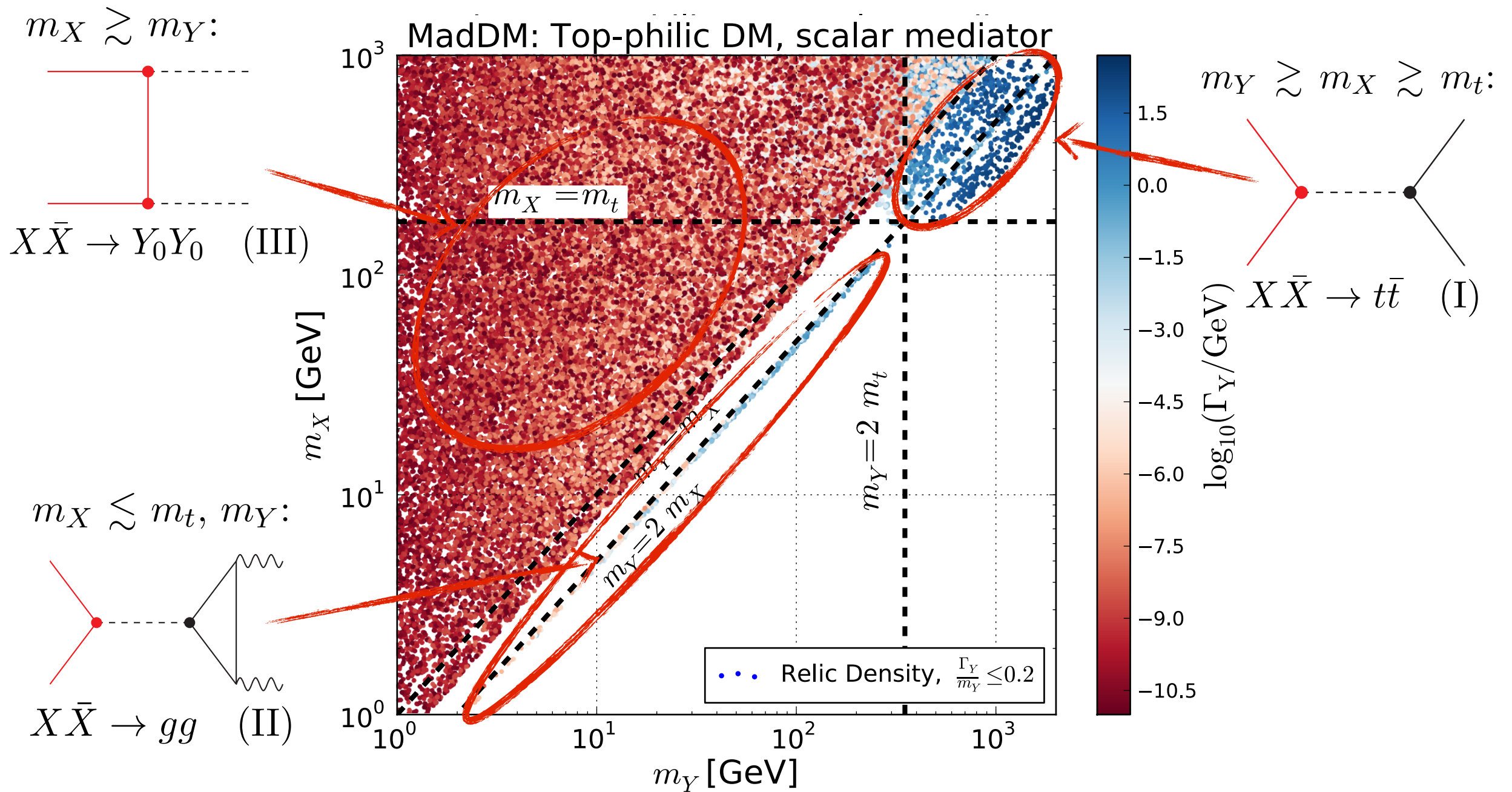
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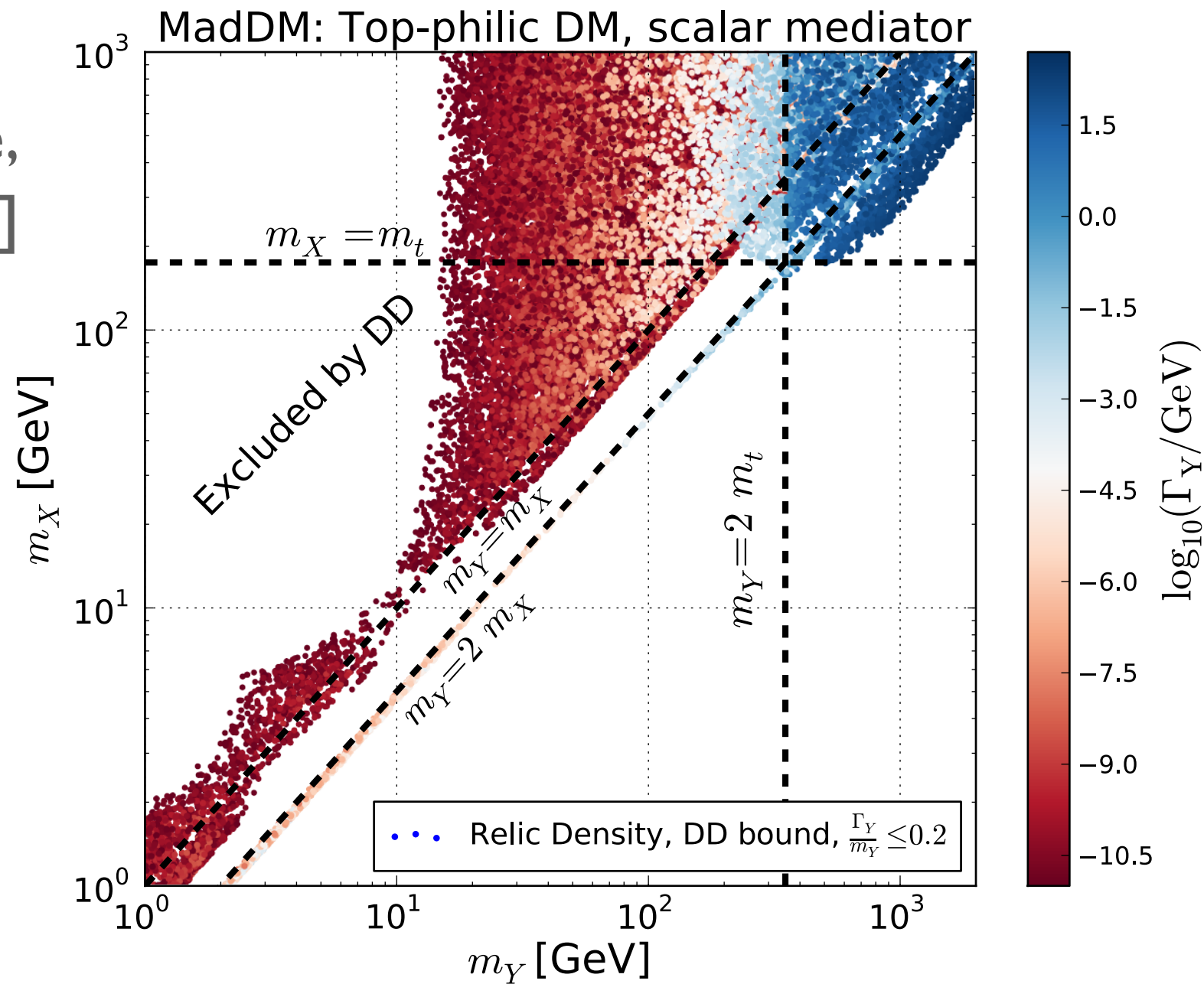


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## Direct detection bounds

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[CDMSlite,  
LUX 2013]



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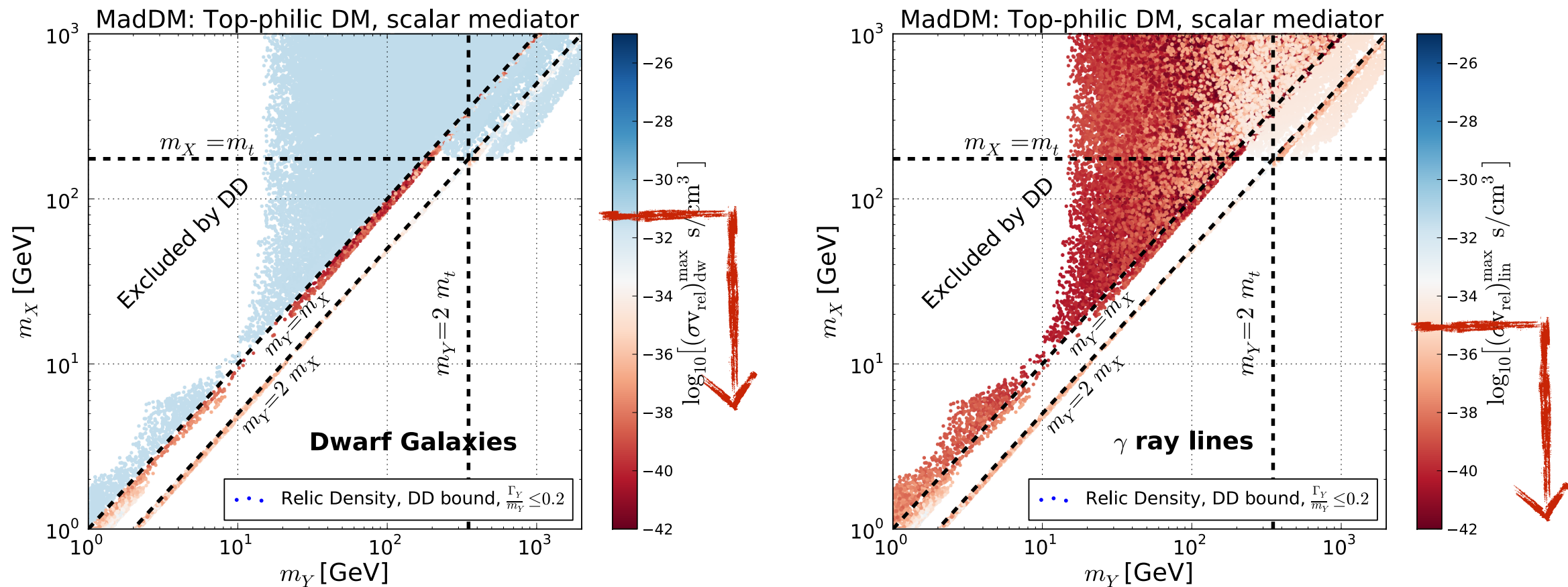


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## Indirect detection bounds

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[Fermi-LAT 2015]



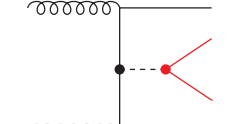
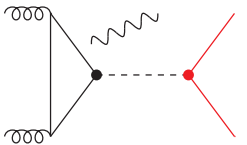
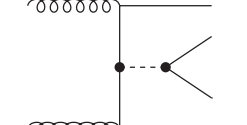
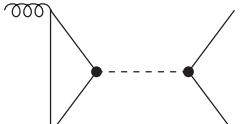
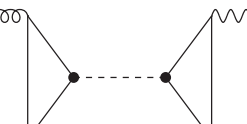

- $p$ -wave suppression for all annihilation processes for scalar mediator
- For pseudo-scalar mediator only process  $XX > YY$   $p$ -wave suppressed

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## Collider searches

Colliders				
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Final state	Imposed constraint	Reference	Comments
$\cancel{E}_T + t\bar{t}$	MadAnalysis5 PAD (new)	CMS [1504.03198]	Semileptonic top-antitop decay
$\cancel{E}_T + j$	MadAnalysis5 PAD (new)	CMS [1408.3583]	
$\cancel{E}_T + Z$	$\sigma(\cancel{E}_T > 150 \text{ GeV}) < 0.85 \text{ fb}$	CMS [1511.09375]	Leptonic $Z$ -boson decay
$\cancel{E}_T + h$	$\sigma(\cancel{E}_T > 150 \text{ GeV}) < 3.6 \text{ fb}$	ATLAS [1510.06218]	$h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ decay
$jj$	$\sigma(m_Y = 500 \text{ GeV}) < 10 \text{ pb}$	CMS [1604.08907]	Only when $m_Y > 500 \text{ GeV}$
$\gamma\gamma$	$\sigma(m_Y = 150 \text{ GeV}) < 30 \text{ fb}$	CMS [1506.02301]	Only when $m_Y > 150 \text{ GeV}$
$t\bar{t}$	$\sigma(m_Y = 400 \text{ GeV}) < 3 \text{ pb}$	ATLAS [1505.07018]	Only when $m_Y > 400 \text{ GeV}$
$t\bar{t}\bar{t}$	$\sigma < 32 \text{ fb}$	CMS [1409.7339]	Upper limit on the SM cross section

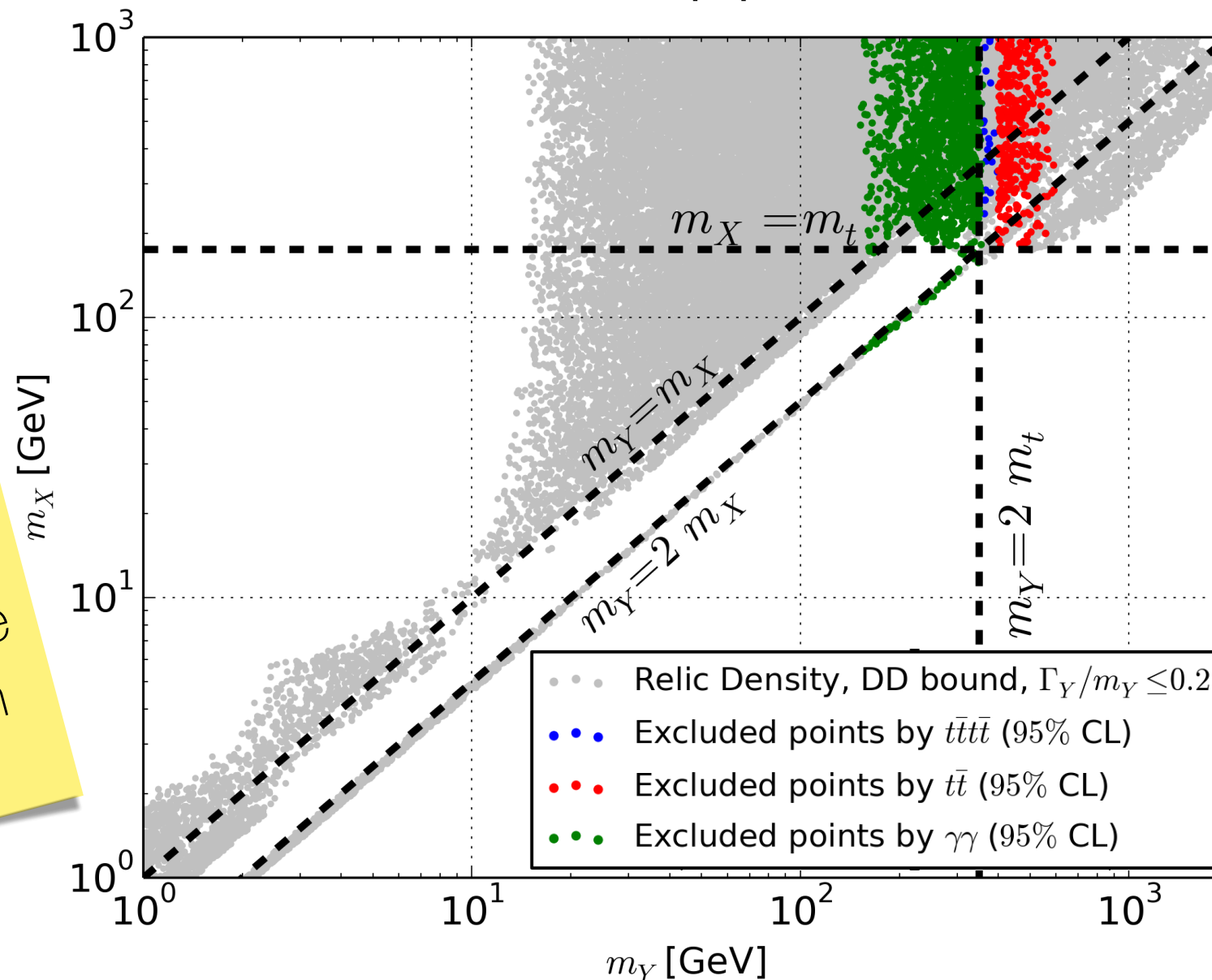
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## Combined constraints

LHC constraints on top-philic dark matter



Need close to non-perturbative couplings to have constraints from mono- $X$

Only **mediator searches** provide useful constraints!

$$g_{t,X} = [10^{-4}, \pi]$$

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## Combined constraints

This study is a **proof of principle** that we can automate Comprehensive studies of DM.

Collider searches (NLO accuracy) (**MadGraph**) +  
Cosmology (**MadDM**) +  
Astro-Physics (**MadDM**) +  
Hypothesis Evaluation (**MadAnalysis**) +  
Parameter Scanning (**MultiNest**)

$10^0$   $10^1$   $10^2$   $10^3$   
 $m_\gamma$  [GeV]

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Thank You!