

# Feeble Neutrino-portal Dark Matter at Neutrino Detectors

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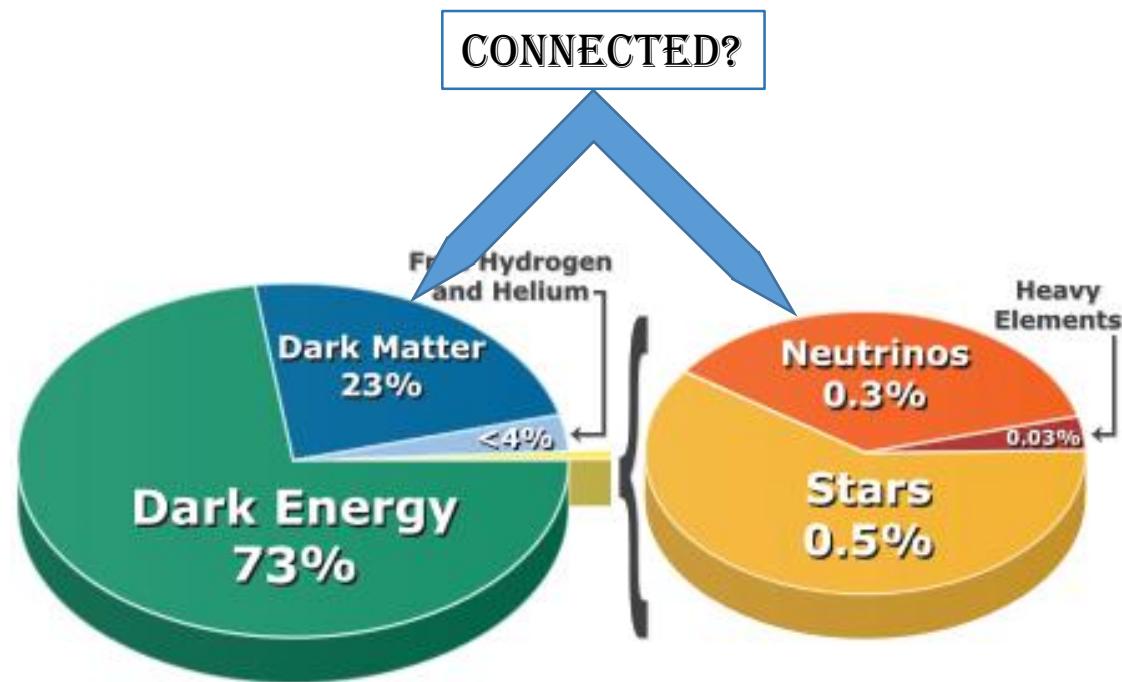
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# Outline

- Introduction: dark matter and neutrino mass
- Freeze-in scenarios of neutrino-portal DM
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- Conclusion

# Dark matter and neutrinos



Quarks	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gauge Bosons
	$u$ up	$c$ charm	$t$ top	
	$d$ down	$s$ strange	$b$ beauty	$\gamma$ photon
Leptons	$e$ electron	$\mu$ muon	$\tau$ tau	$W^\pm$ W boson
	$\nu_e$ neutrino electron	$\nu_\mu$ neutrino muon	$\nu_\tau$ neutrino tau	$Z^0$ Z boson
				$g$ gluon
				$H$ Higgs Boson

# Neutrino mass from Seesaw

- Introduce a SM-singlet fermion  $N$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_{seesaw} = y_\nu LHN + \frac{1}{2} MNN + h.c.$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{mass} = y_\nu v_H \nu N + \frac{1}{2} MNN \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} m_\nu \nu \nu + \frac{1}{2} MNN \quad m_\nu \approx \frac{y_\nu^2 v_H^2}{M^2}$$

- Small  $\nu - N$  mixing:  $\theta \approx y_\nu \frac{v_H}{M} \sim \sqrt{\frac{m_\nu}{M}} \lesssim 10^{-6} \sqrt{\frac{v_H}{M}}$

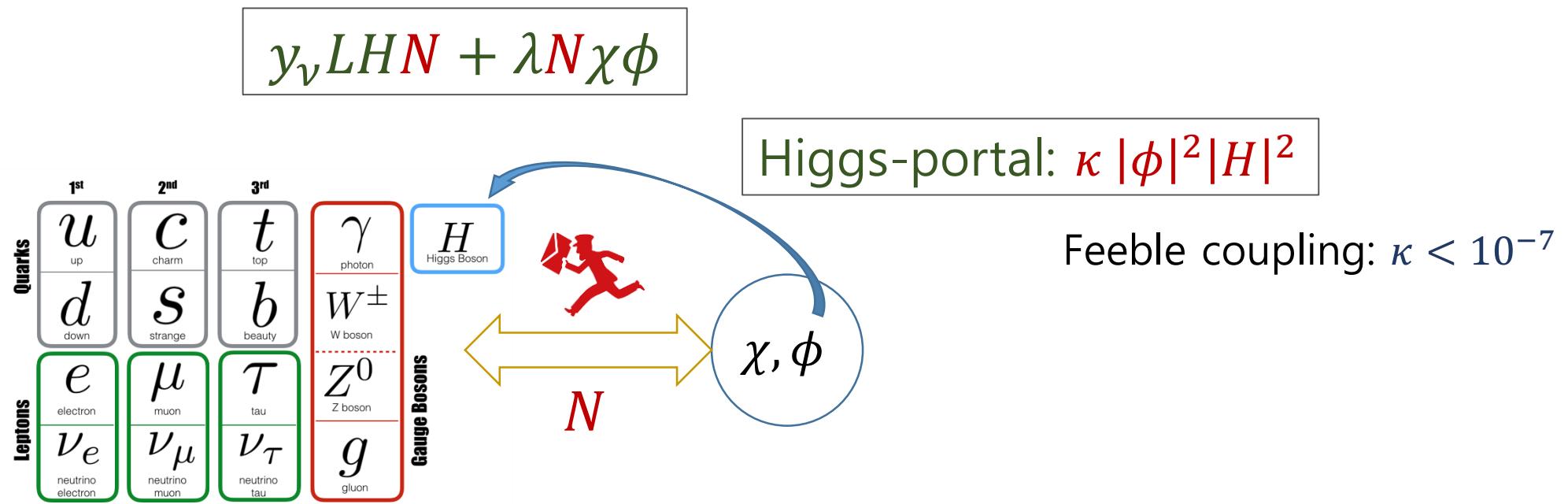
- Feeble coupling not to thermalize  $N$ :

$$\Gamma < H(T = M) \Rightarrow \frac{y_\nu^2 M}{8\pi} < \frac{M^2}{M_{pl}} \Rightarrow y_\nu \lesssim 10^{-7} \sqrt{\frac{M}{v_H}}$$

) negligible contribution  
to neutrino mass.

# Neutrino-portal DM

- Dark sector with a fermion and a scalar:



# Conditions for freezed-in $N, \phi, \chi$

$$\mathcal{L} = y_\nu LHN + \lambda N\chi\phi + \kappa|\phi|^2|H|^2$$

$$\Gamma_{N \rightarrow \nu h} \approx \frac{y_\nu^2}{8\pi} m_N < H(T) \Big|_{T=m_N} \implies y_\nu \lesssim 10^{-7},$$

$$\Gamma_{\phi\phi \rightarrow hh} \approx \frac{\kappa^4}{4\pi} T < H(T) \Big|_{T=m_\phi} \implies \kappa \lesssim 10^{-7},$$

$$\Gamma_{\phi\chi \rightarrow \ell h} \approx \frac{y_\nu^2 \lambda^2}{4\pi} T < H(T) \Big|_{T=m_{\phi,\chi}} \implies y_\nu \lambda \lesssim 10^{-7},$$

# Freeze-in production

- DM not in thermal equilibrium but producible from thermal particle scatterings (ex: gravitino, axino, RHsN)

$$\frac{dn_{DM}}{dt} + 3Hn_{DM} = \langle\sigma v\rangle[n_{eq}^2 - n_{DM}^2]$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{SM+SM}\rightarrow\text{DM+DM}}$        $\xrightarrow{\text{DM+DM}\rightarrow\text{SM+SM}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dY_{DM}}{dT} = -\frac{C}{sHT}$$

\*)  $Y = \frac{n}{s}, \quad dT/dt = -HT$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dY_\chi}{dx} = & + \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{NN \rightarrow \chi\chi} \left( Y_N^2 - \left( \frac{Y_N^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}}} \right)^2 Y_\chi^2 \right) + \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\phi\phi \rightarrow \chi\chi} \left( Y_\phi^2 - \left( \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}}} \right)^2 Y_\chi^2 \right) \\
& - \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi\phi \rightarrow h\nu} (Y_\chi Y_\phi - Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}) + \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{\phi \rightarrow \chi N}}{H(m_\chi)} x \left( Y_\phi - \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} Y_N^{\text{eq}}} Y_\chi Y_N \right) \\
& + \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{\phi \rightarrow \chi\nu}}{H(m_\chi)} x \left( Y_\phi - \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}}} Y_\chi \right) + \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{N \rightarrow \chi\phi}}{H(m_\chi)} x \left( Y_N - \frac{Y_N^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}} Y_\chi Y_\phi \right), \\
\frac{dY_\phi}{dx} = & - \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\phi\phi \rightarrow \chi\chi} \left( Y_\phi^2 - \left( \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}}} \right)^2 Y_\chi^2 \right) - \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\phi\phi \rightarrow NN} \left( Y_\phi^2 - \left( \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_N^{\text{eq}}} \right)^2 Y_N^2 \right) \\
& - \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\phi\phi \rightarrow \text{SM}} (Y_\phi^2 - Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}{}^2) - \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi\phi \rightarrow h\nu} (Y_\chi Y_\phi - Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}) \\
& - \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{\phi \rightarrow \chi N}}{H(m_\chi)} x \left( Y_\phi - \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} Y_N^{\text{eq}}} Y_\chi Y_N \right) - \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{\phi \rightarrow \chi\nu}}{H(m_\chi)} x \left( Y_\phi - \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}}} Y_\chi \right) \\
& + \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{N \rightarrow \chi\phi}}{H(m_\chi)} x \left( Y_N - \frac{Y_N^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}} Y_\chi Y_\phi \right), \\
\frac{dY_N}{dx} = & - \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{NN \rightarrow \chi\chi} \left( Y_N^2 - \left( \frac{Y_N^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}}} \right)^2 Y_\chi^2 \right) + \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{s(m_\chi)}{H(m_\chi)} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\phi\phi \rightarrow NN} \left( Y_\phi^2 - \left( \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_N^{\text{eq}}} \right)^2 Y_N^2 \right) \\
& - \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{N \rightarrow \text{SM}}}{H(m_\chi)} x (Y_N - Y_N^{\text{eq}}) + \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{\phi \rightarrow \chi N}}{H(m_\chi)} x \left( Y_\phi - \frac{Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} Y_N^{\text{eq}}} Y_\chi Y_N \right) \\
& - \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_{N \rightarrow \chi\phi}}{H(m_\chi)} x \left( Y_N - \frac{Y_N^{\text{eq}}}{Y_\chi^{\text{eq}} Y_\phi^{\text{eq}}} Y_\chi Y_\phi \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

# Production channels of $N, \phi, \chi$

$$\mathcal{L} = y_\nu LHN + \lambda N\chi\phi + \kappa|\phi|^2|H|^2$$

$$vh \xrightarrow{y_\nu} N \quad N \xrightarrow{\lambda} \phi\chi$$

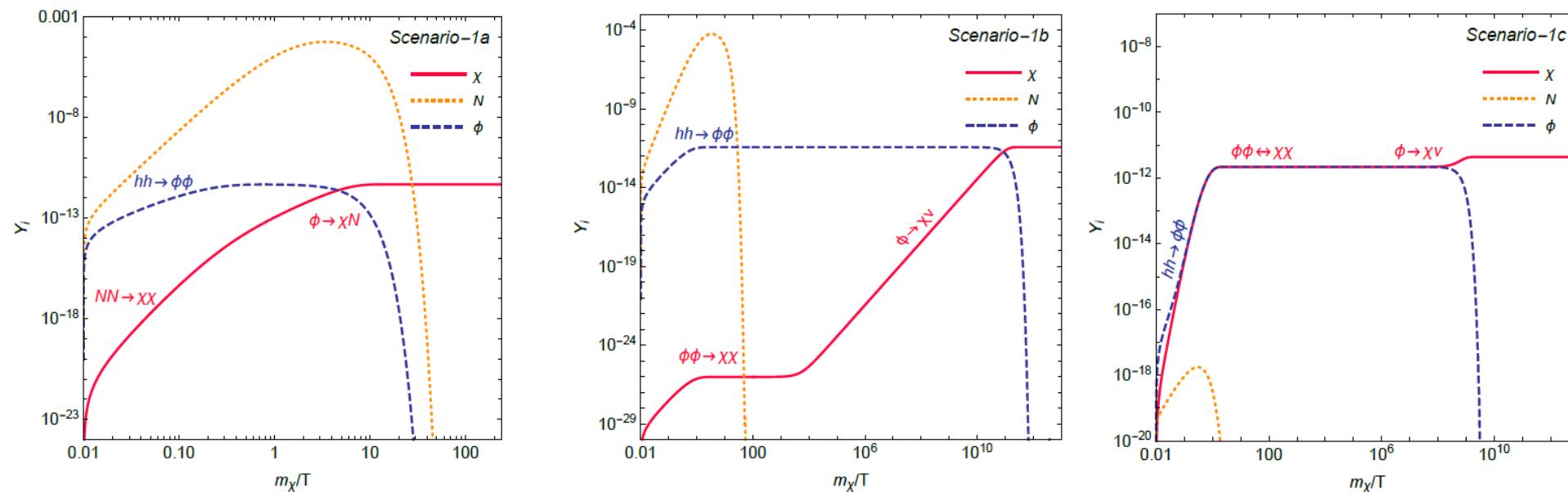
$$NN \xrightarrow{\lambda^2} \phi\phi/\chi\chi$$

$$vh \xrightarrow{y_\nu\lambda} \chi\phi \quad \phi \xrightarrow{\lambda y_\nu} v\chi$$

$$hh \xrightarrow{\kappa} \phi\phi \quad \phi\phi \xrightarrow{\lambda^2} \chi\chi \quad \phi \xrightarrow{\lambda y_\nu} \chi v/N$$

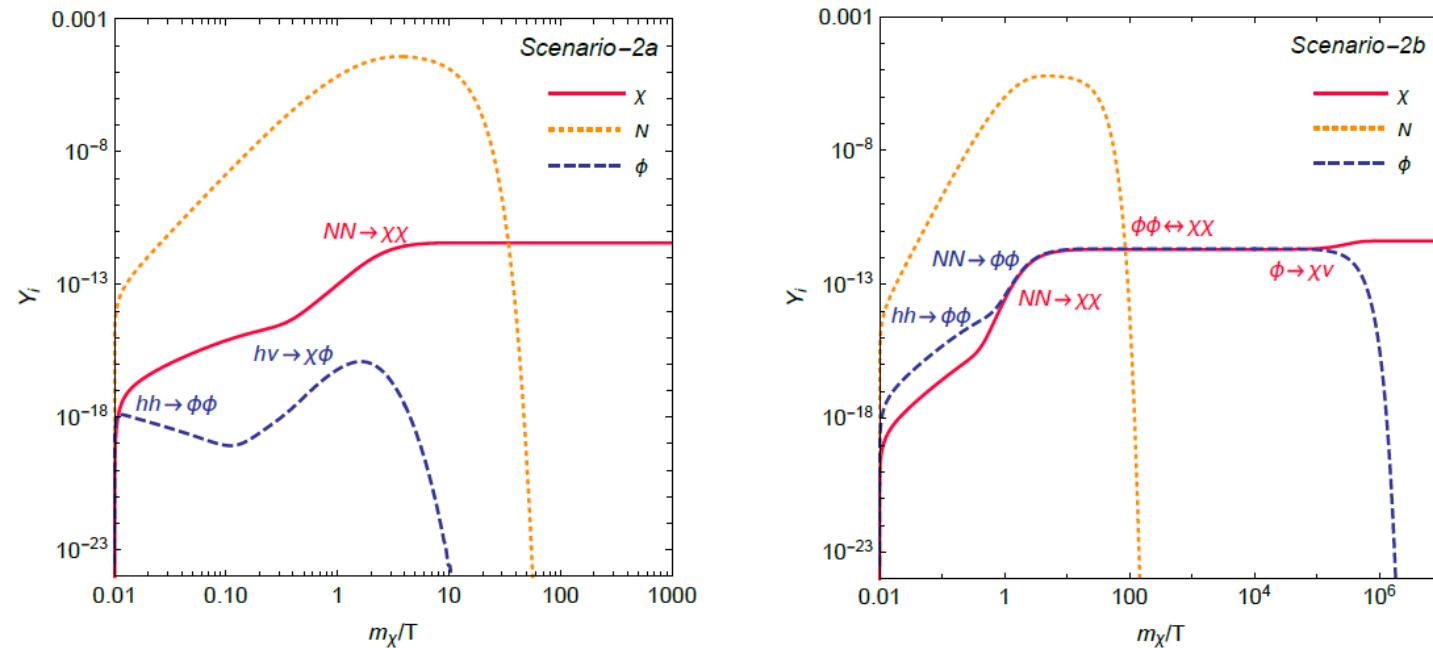
# Freeze-in scenario I: $hh \rightarrow \phi\phi \rightarrow vv\chi\chi$

Scenario	Masses in GeV			Couplings		
	$m_\chi$	$m_N$	$m_\phi$	$y_\nu$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$
1a	100	200	500	$10^{-8}$	$4 \times 10^{-11}$	$10^{-8}$
1b	100	200	180	$10^{-8}$	$2 \times 10^{-11}$	$10^{-10}$
1c	100	500	250	$2.5 \times 10^{-12}$	$10^{-12}$	$10^{-4}$



# Freeze-in scenario II: $NN \rightarrow \chi\chi/\phi\phi \rightarrow \chi\chi/v\nu\chi\chi$

Scenario	Masses in GeV			Couplings		
	$m_\chi$	$m_N$	$m_\phi$	$y_\nu$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$
2a	100	200	500	$8.0 \times 10^{-9}$	$10^{-12}$	$10^{-4}$
2b	100	200	180	$3.0 \times 10^{-9}$	$10^{-12}$	$10^{-4}$

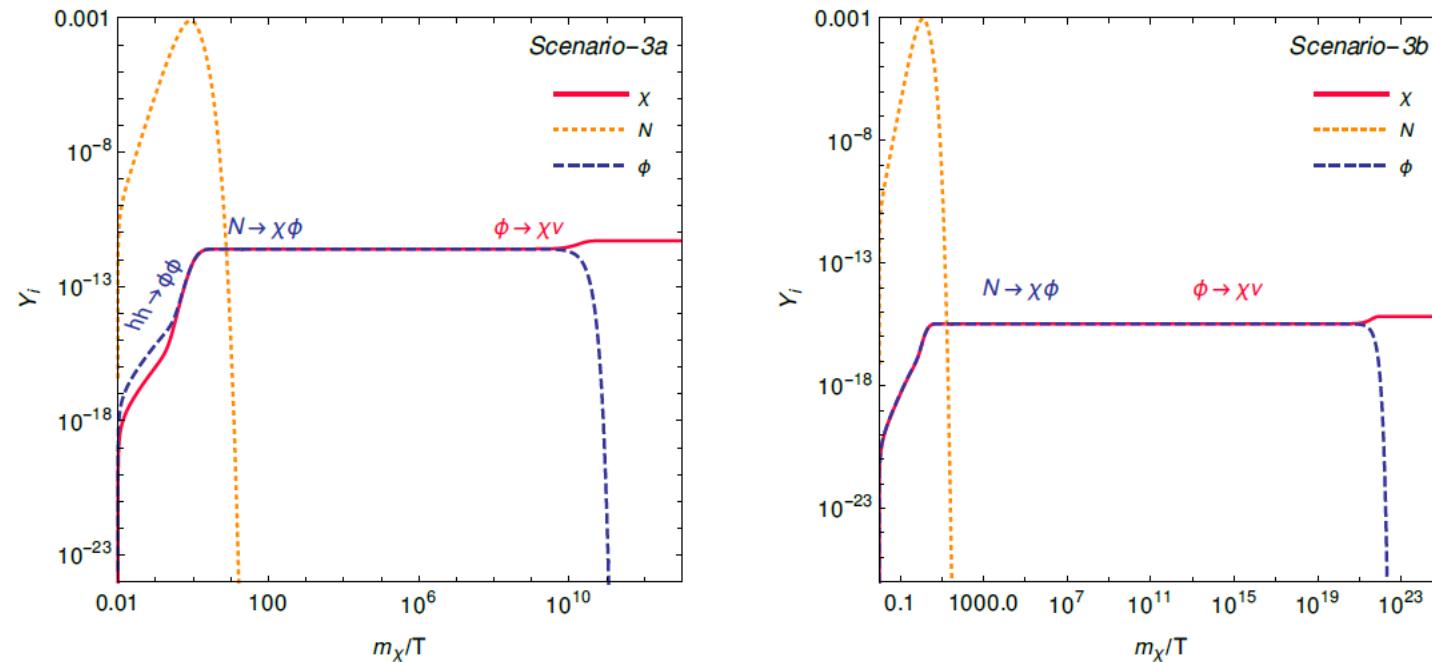


# Freeze-in scenario III: $N \rightarrow \phi\chi \rightarrow \nu\chi\chi$

Scenario	Masses in GeV			Couplings		
	$m_\chi$	$m_N$	$m_\phi$	$y_\nu$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$
3a	100	341	241	$10^{-7}$	$10^{-12}$	$6.1 \times 10^{-11}$
3b	$1.0 \times 10^6$	$2.05 \times 10^6$	$1.05 \times 10^6$	$10^{-5}$	$10^{-12}$	$2.4 \times 10^{-11}$

$$\tau_\phi = 10^{10} \text{ sec}$$

$$4 \cdot 10^{12} \text{ sec}$$



# Energetic neutrinos from dark sector

- Energetic neutrinos produced from the  $\phi$  decay:

$$\phi \xrightarrow{\lambda y_\nu} \nu \chi$$

- Feeble coupling  $y_\nu \lambda$ , determining the  $\phi$  lifetime, can be made arbitrarily small.
- Relevant parameters:  $\tau_\phi, m_\chi(m_\phi)$ , and the neutrino energy

$$E_0 = (m_\phi^2 - m_\chi^2)/2m_\phi$$

# Observational consequences

- $\tau_\phi \lesssim t_{eq} \sim 10^{12} \text{ sec}$ :  $\chi$  is 100% (stable) DM, and the produced neutrinos are red-shifted away for  $\tau_\phi \ll t_{eq}$ .
- $t_{eq} \lesssim \tau_\phi \ll t_0$ :  $\phi$  behaves like a decaying DM. The produced neutrinos contribute to dark radiation constrained by the CMB measurement. Being red-shifted, they may be detectable.

$$\rho_{DR} < 0.1 \rho_{DM} \text{ at } t_{eq} \quad \frac{E_0}{m_\chi} \left( \frac{\tau_\phi}{t_{eq}} \right)^{1/2} \lesssim 0.1$$

- $\tau_\phi \gtrsim t_0 \sim 4 \cdot 10^{17} \text{ sec}$ : The decaying  $\phi$  can be 100% DM, and its lifetime is strongly constrained by neutrino observations.

# Extra neutrino fluxes

- Cosmic flux from early DM decay:

$$\frac{d\varphi_{\cos}}{dE_\nu} = \frac{n_\phi^0}{\tau_\phi} \int_0^\infty dz \frac{e^{-t(z)/\tau_\phi}}{H(z)} \frac{dN}{dE_\nu}$$

$$\Phi_{\cos} \equiv E_\nu^2 \frac{d\varphi_{\cos}}{dE_\nu} = E_\nu \frac{n_\phi^0}{\tau_\phi} \frac{e^{-t(z)/\tau_\phi}}{H(z)} \theta(z)$$

$$E_0 = \frac{m_\phi^2 - m_\chi^2}{2m_\phi} \text{ and } E_\nu = \frac{E_0}{1+z}$$

$$H(z) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_\Lambda + (1+z)^3 \Omega_m + (1+z)^4 \Omega_r}$$

$$t(z) = \int_z^\infty dz' [(1+z')H(z')]^{-1}$$

- Galactic neutrino flux:

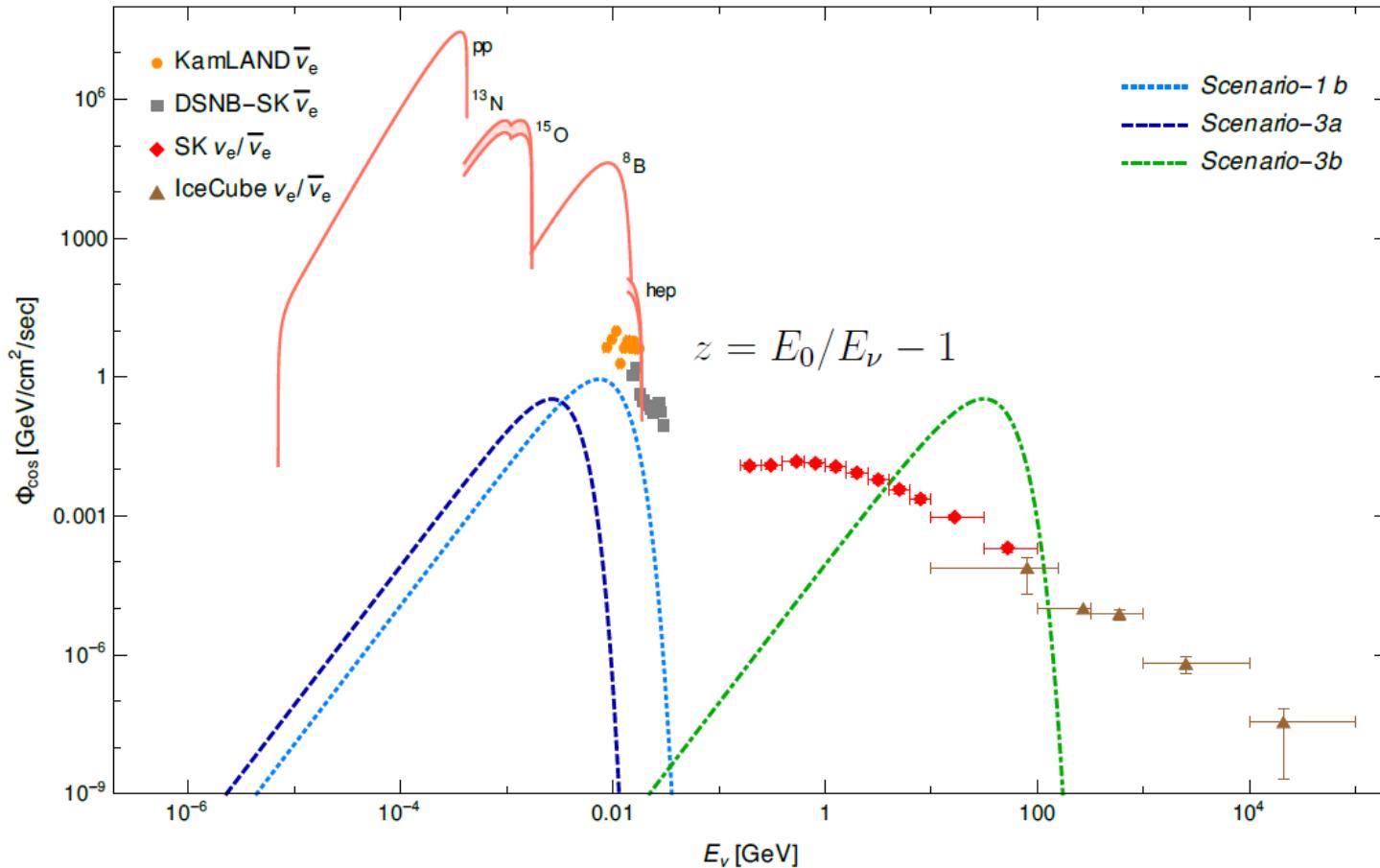
$$\Phi_{\text{gal}} = E_\nu^2 \frac{d\varphi_{\text{gal}}}{dE_\nu} = E_\nu^2 \frac{e^{-t_0/\tau_\phi}}{\tau_\phi m_\phi} \frac{dN}{dE_\nu} \times R_{\text{sol}} \rho_{\text{sol}} \langle J \rangle$$

$$R_{\text{sol}} = 8.33 \text{ kpc}$$

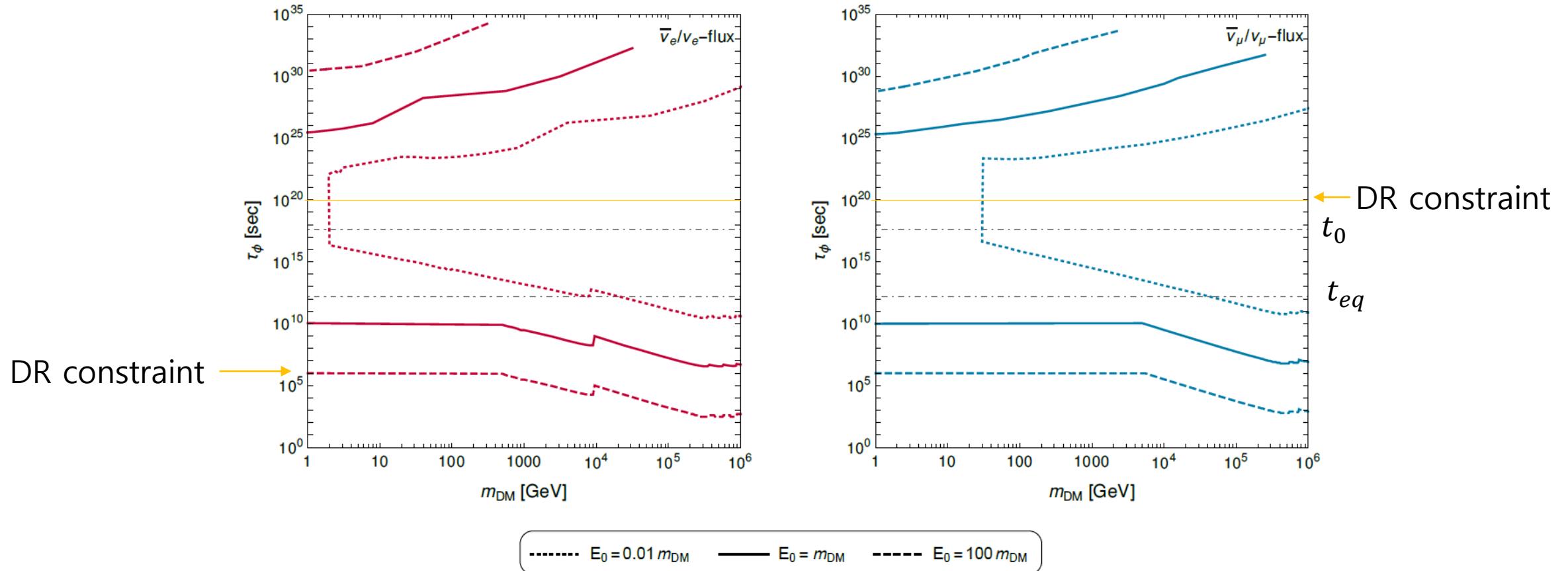
$$\rho_{\text{sol}} = 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$$

$$\langle J \rangle \simeq 2.1$$

# Signals and observations



# Constraints



# Conclusion

- Neutrino-portal:  $\lambda N\phi\chi$  with a decaying  $\phi$  and a stable  $\chi$  DM.
- Characteristic channels of freeze-in production:
  - i)  $hh \rightarrow \phi\phi, \phi\phi \rightarrow \chi\chi, \phi \rightarrow \chi N/\nu,$
  - ii)  $\nu h \rightarrow N^{(*)} \rightarrow \phi\chi, \phi \rightarrow \chi\nu$
  - iii)  $\nu h \rightarrow N, NN \rightarrow \phi\phi/\chi\chi, \phi \rightarrow \chi\nu$
- The decay  $\phi \rightarrow \chi\nu$ , involving  $y_\nu\lambda$ , can be very late to provide an additional source of energetic neutrinos.
- They contribute to dark radiation or exotic signals at neutrino detectors.