

Not So Weakly Interacting Dark Matter Bonding with Sterile Neutrinos

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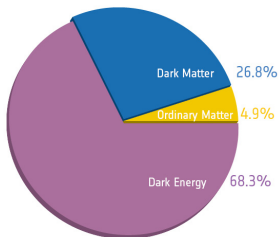
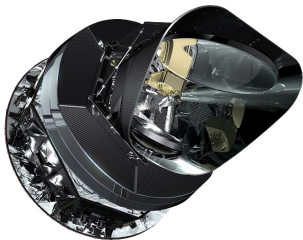
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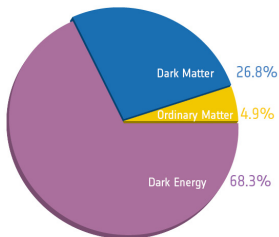
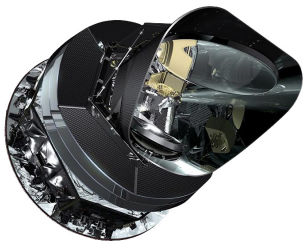
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Or does it?

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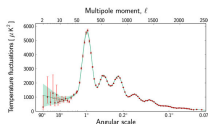
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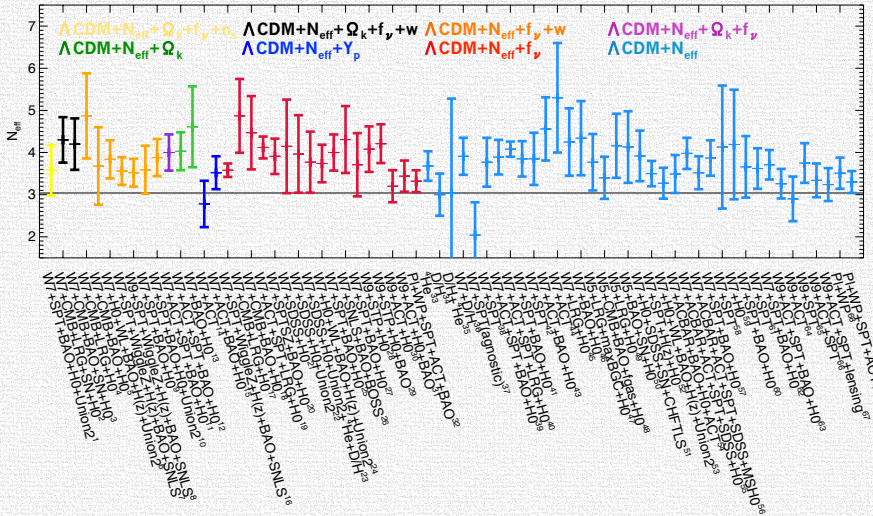
$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 1.51 \pm 0.75 \text{ ACT, ApJ 739 (2011)}$$

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$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 0.10 \pm 0.23 \text{ Planck, arXiv:1502.01589}$$



Measurements



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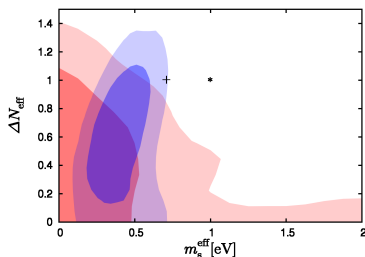
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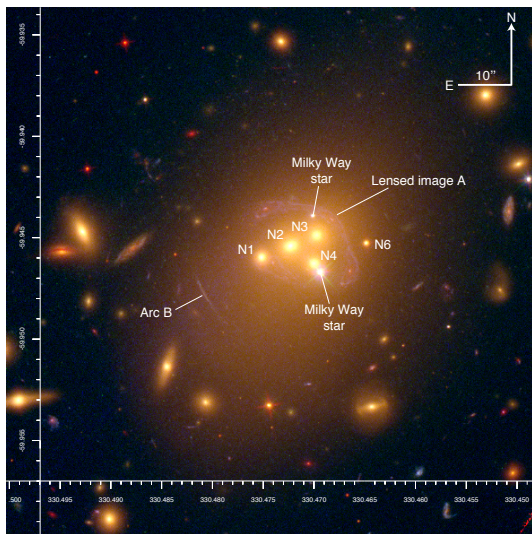
$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 0.61$$
$$m_s^{\text{eff}} \equiv \left(\frac{T_s}{T_\nu}\right)^3 m_s = 0.41 \text{ eV}$$

Hamann, Hasenkamp, JCAP **10** (2013)
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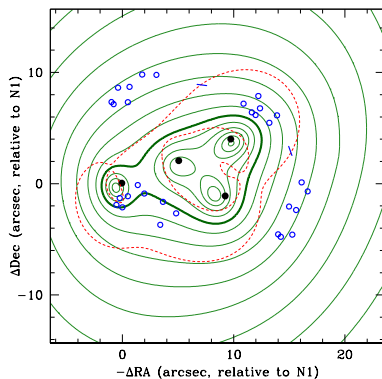
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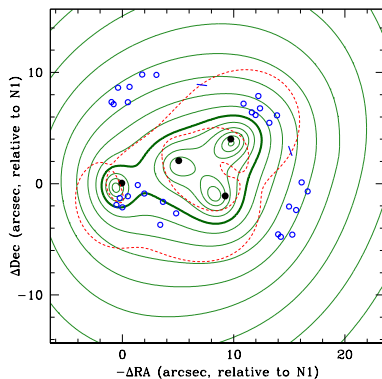


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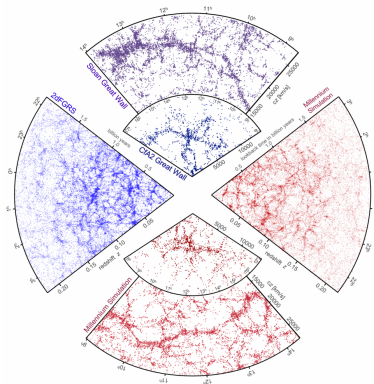


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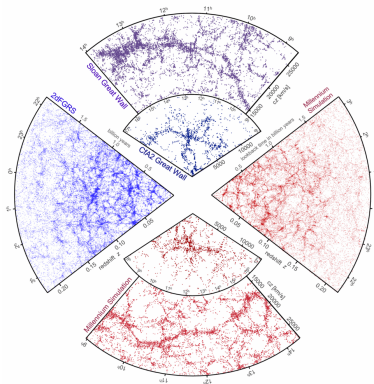


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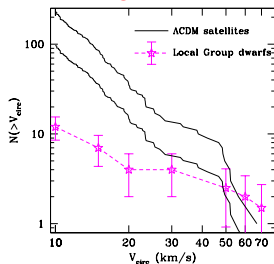
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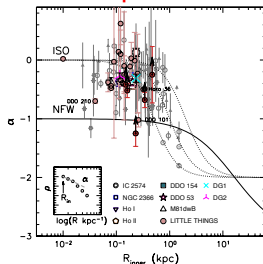
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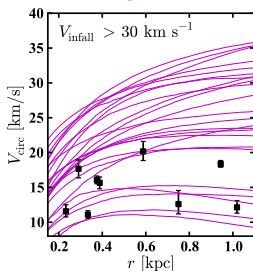
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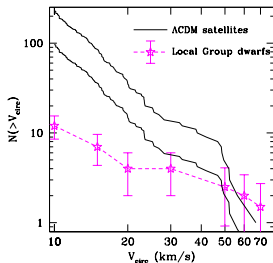
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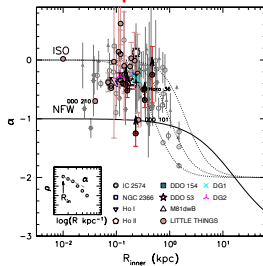
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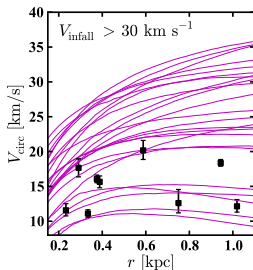
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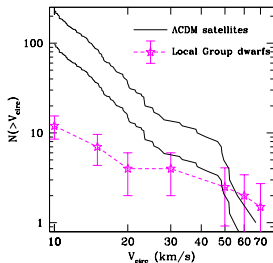
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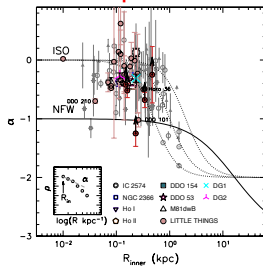
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Astrophysics solutions or new **particle physics**?

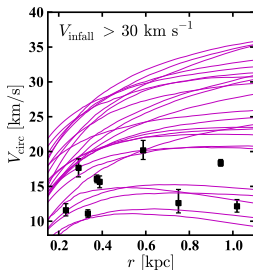
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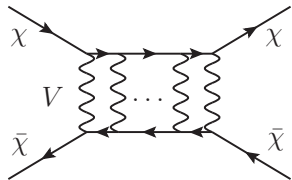
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 - Mass $m_\chi \sim \text{TeV}$
- **Light gauge boson** V , $m_V \sim \text{MeV}$

- \rightsquigarrow Long-range, velocity-dependent interaction
- \rightsquigarrow Less cuspy density profiles
- \rightsquigarrow **Cusp-core** and **too big to fail** solved

Feng, Kaplinghat, Yu, PRL **104** (2010)

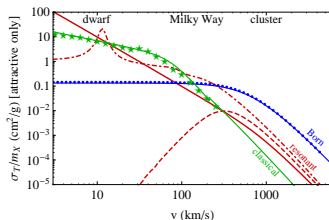
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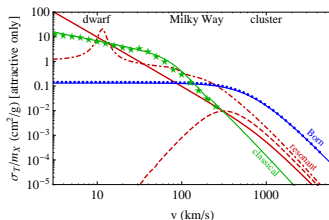
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Here: classical regime \rightsquigarrow analytical approximations exist

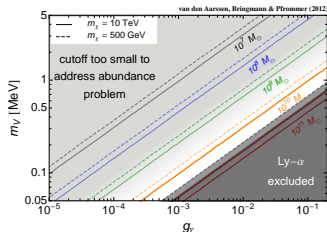
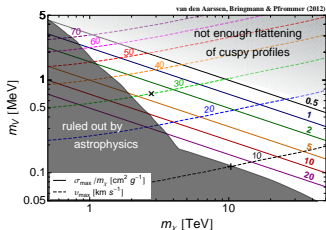
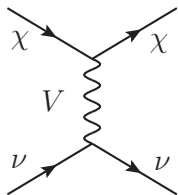
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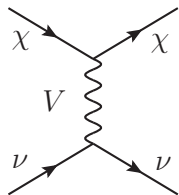


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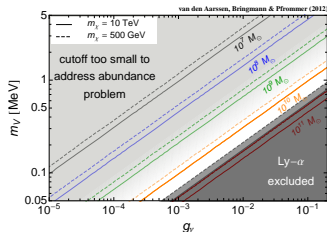
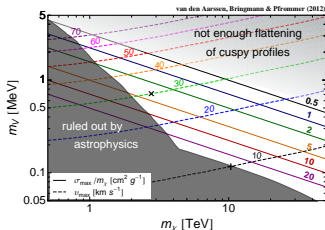
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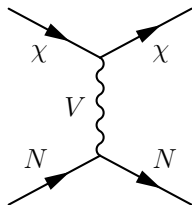


Problem: explicit breaking of $SU(2)_L$



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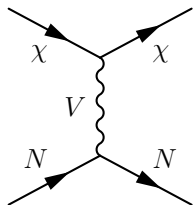
- All **small-scale problems** of structure formation
- **Hot dark matter hint** (CMB-local tension)
- **Neutrino oscillation anomalies** (?)

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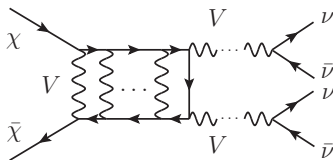
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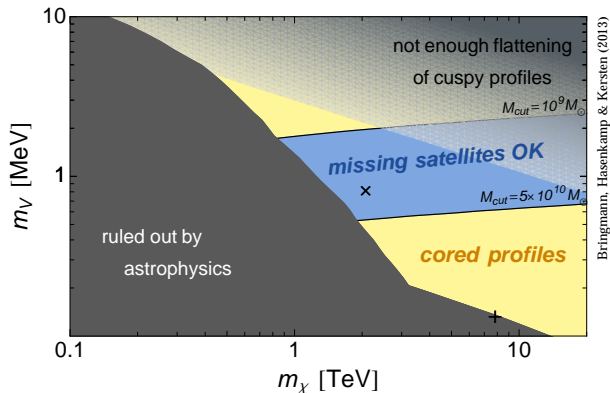
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- $T_\chi \sim m_\chi/25$: freeze-out (chemical decoupling) of dark matter

$$\Omega_{\text{CDM}} h^2 \sim 0.11 \left(\frac{0.67}{g_X} \right)^4 \left(\frac{m_\chi}{\text{TeV}} \right)^2$$



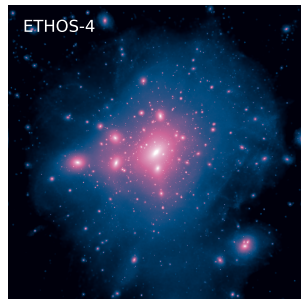
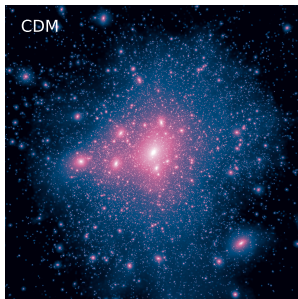
Cold Dark Matter Parameter Space



- Blue band can be moved **vertically** by changing sterile neutrino charge and temperature
- Crosses: simulations show that **too big to fail** solved

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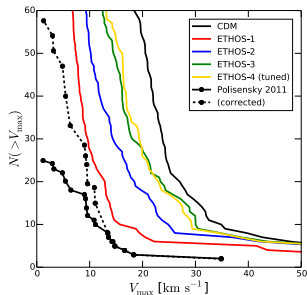
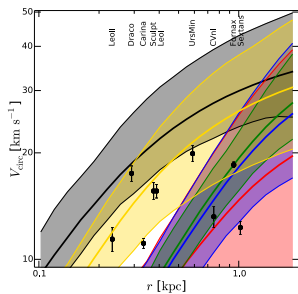
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- Confirms solution (alleviation) of **too big to fail**, **missing satellites**
- **Cusp-core** and **rotation curve diversity** unclear

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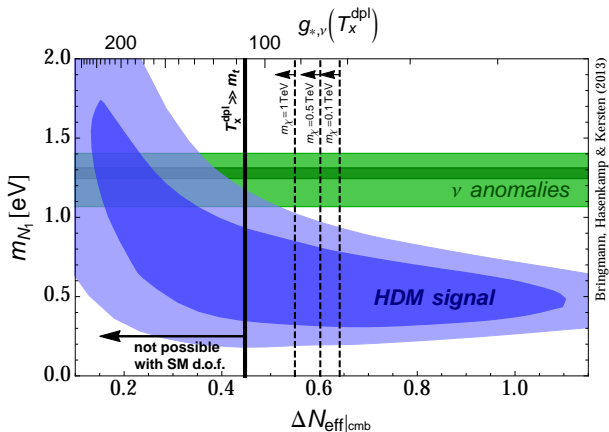
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\rightsquigarrow **BBN bounds** satisfied for $T_X^{\text{dpl}} \gtrsim 1 \text{ GeV}$

\rightsquigarrow Correct order of magnitude for **hot dark matter hint**

Hot Dark Matter Parameter Space



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↪ $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}|_{\text{CMB}} \simeq \text{const.}$, but $T_N \uparrow \rightsquigarrow m_s^{\text{eff}} \uparrow$

↪ **Cosmology** still fine, but **neutrino anomalies** not explained

Sterile Neutrinos Become Non-Relativistic

$$m_N \sim 1 \text{ eV} > T_{\text{rec}} \sim 0.3 \text{ eV}$$

↪ sterile neutrinos **not** highly **relativistic** during CMB epoch

Jacques, Krauss, Lunardini, PRD **87** (2013)

$$N_{\text{eff}} = N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{rel}} \left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{P_{m_N=1 \text{ eV}}}{P_{m_N=0}} \right)$$

↪ $N_{\text{eff}} \downarrow$

↪ **even $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} < 0$** possible ↪ possible test for scenario

Mirizzi, Mangano, Pisanti, Saviano, PRD **91** (2015)

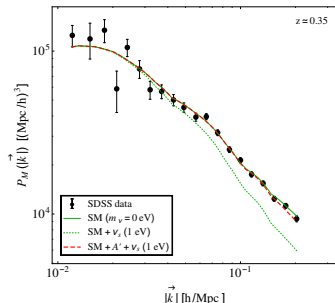
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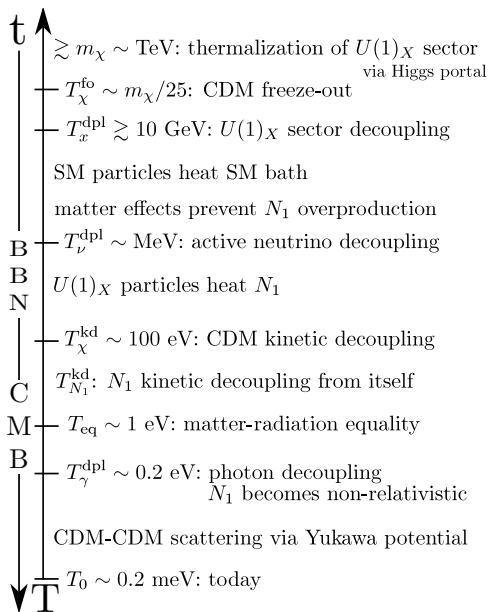
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Conclusions

Particle physics solution for **tensions** in standard Λ CDM cosmology:

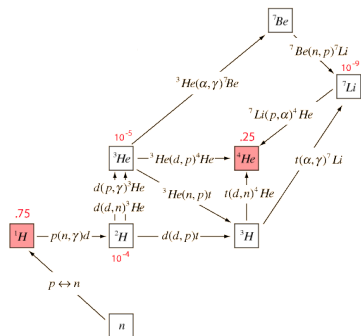
- 1 Self-interacting dark matter
 - 2 Sterile neutrinos N with mass \lesssim eV
 - 3 Secret interactions mediated by gauge boson with mass \sim MeV
- $N \rightsquigarrow$ small hot DM component, oscillation anomalies solved
 - DM-DM scattering \rightsquigarrow cusp-core, too big to fail solved
 - Hint for self-interactions in Abell 3827 not explained (?)
 - DM- N scattering \rightsquigarrow missing satellites solved
 - N - N scattering \rightsquigarrow cosmological mass bound satisfied

Timeline



Dark Radiation and Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

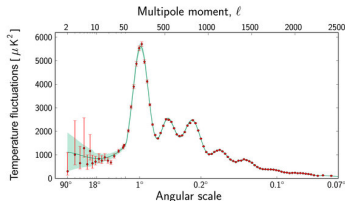
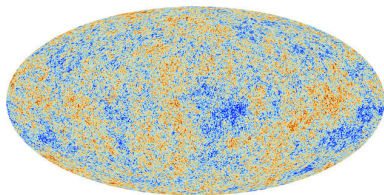
- $T \sim 1$ MeV: freeze-out of $n \leftrightarrow p$
 $\rightsquigarrow n/p$ ratio fixed
- $T \sim 0.1$ MeV: $p + n \rightarrow D$
- Afterwards formation of ${}^3\text{He}$, ${}^4\text{He}$, ${}^7\text{Li}$
- $\rho_{\text{rad}} \uparrow \rightsquigarrow$ faster expansion
 \rightsquigarrow more n available for D fusion
 \rightsquigarrow **more ${}^4\text{He}$**
- $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.8^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$ at 2σ CL
 Izotov, Thuan, arXiv:1001.4440
- $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \leq 1$ at 2σ CL
 Mangano, Serpico, arXiv:1103.1261



Dark Radiation Effects on the CMB

- $\rho_{\text{rad}} \uparrow \rightsquigarrow$ later **matter-radiation equality**
- 1st/3rd peak ratio \rightsquigarrow no change
 $\rightsquigarrow \rho_m \uparrow \rightsquigarrow t_{\text{eq}}$ unchanged
- $\rho_{\text{rad}} \uparrow \rightsquigarrow$ **sound horizon** $r_s \propto 1/H \downarrow$
- Peak positions \rightsquigarrow no change of angular size $\theta_s = \frac{r_s}{D_A} \rightsquigarrow D_A \propto 1/H \downarrow$ (by $\rho_\Lambda \uparrow$)
- Remaining effect: **increased Silk damping**
 \rightsquigarrow reduced power on small scales

Hou et al., arXiv:1104.2333



Meet the Dark Side

- Dirac fermion χ (dark matter), $m_\chi \sim \text{TeV}$
- Gauge boson V , $m_V \sim \text{MeV}$
- Kinetic mixing $F_{\mu\nu}^X F^{\mu\nu}$, $F_{\mu\nu}^X Z^{\mu\nu}$ negligible
- Scalar Θ breaking $U(1)_X$, $\langle \Theta \rangle \sim \text{MeV}$
- Light sterile neutrino N , $m_N \lesssim \text{eV}$
- Heavier sterile neutrino N_2 , $m_{N_2} \sim \text{MeV} \rightsquigarrow$ cancel anomalies
- Scalar ξ , $\langle \xi \rangle < \langle \Theta \rangle \rightsquigarrow$ active-sterile neutrino mixing

$$\mathcal{L}_N \supset -\frac{Y_M}{2} \Theta^\dagger \overline{N^c} N - \frac{Y'_M}{2} \Theta \overline{N_2^c} N_2 - \frac{Y_\nu}{\Lambda} \xi \tilde{\phi} \overline{\ell}_L N + \text{h.c.}$$