

The warped dark sector

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+ upcoming works

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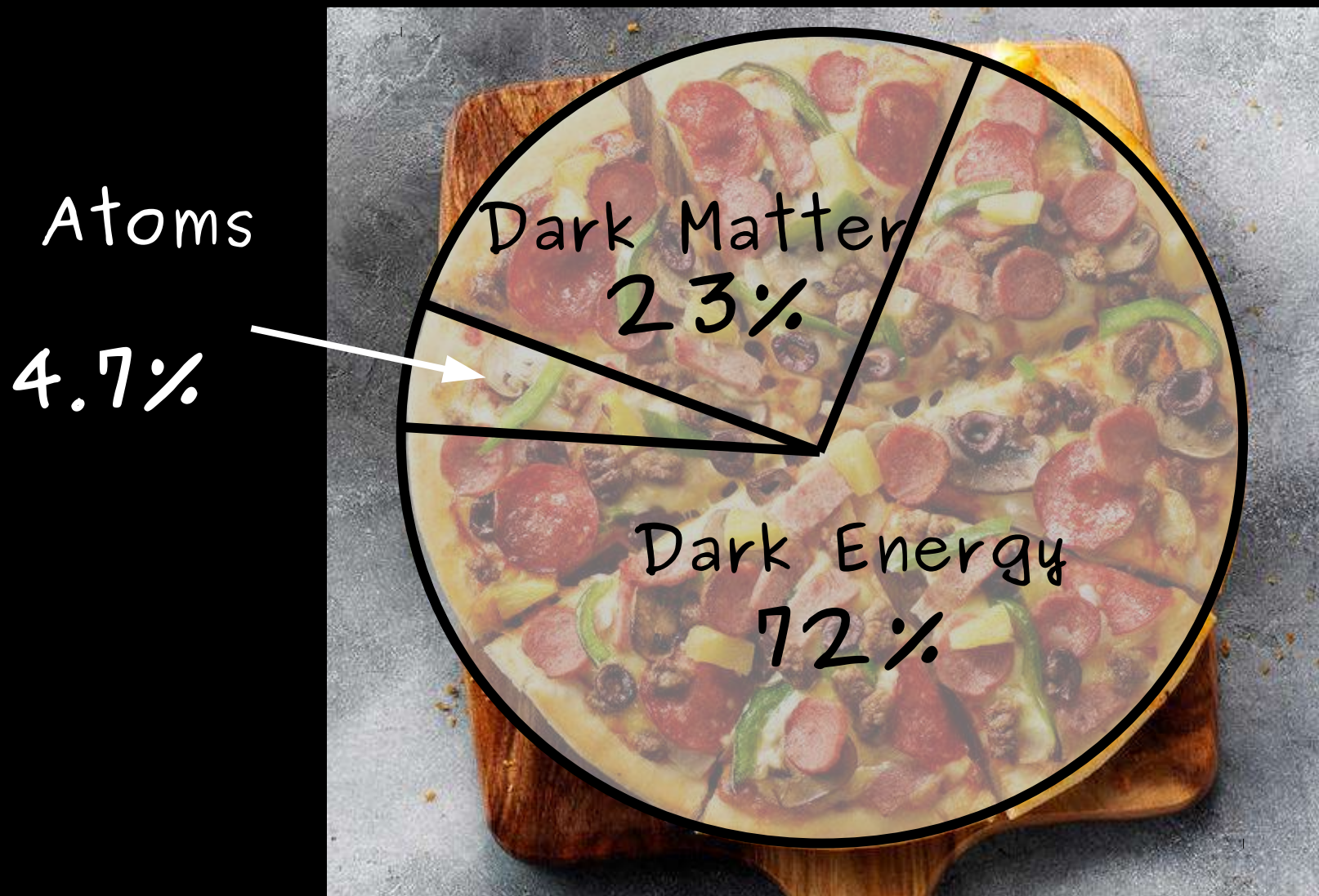
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1. Motivations and context

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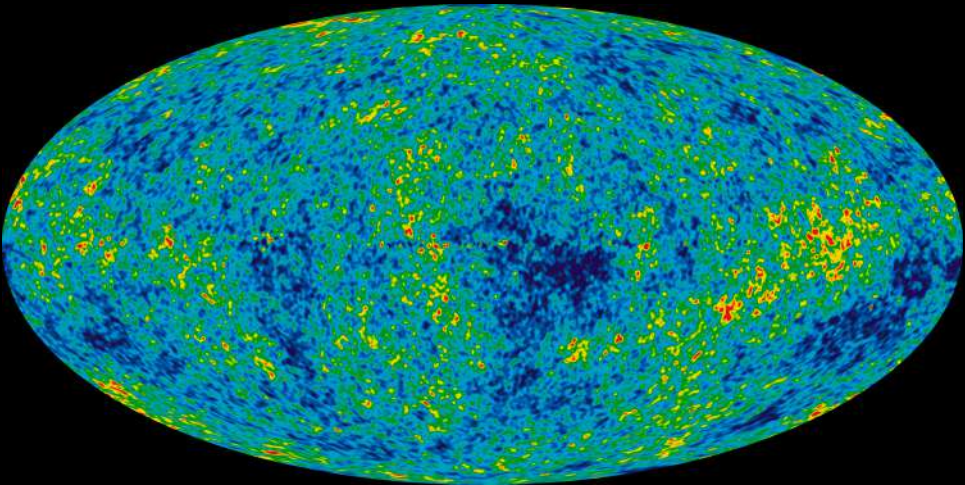


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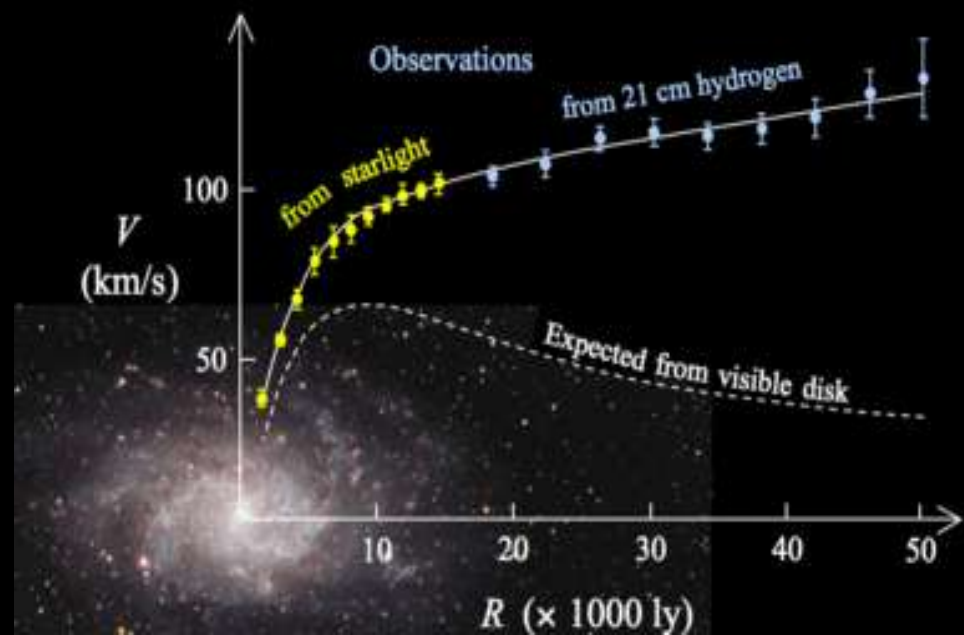


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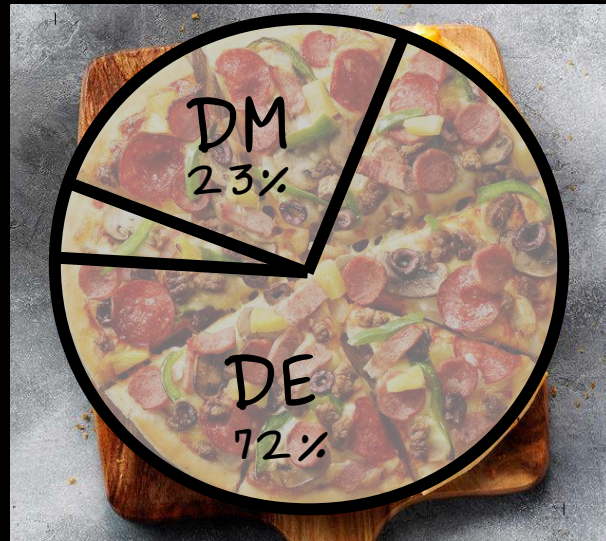
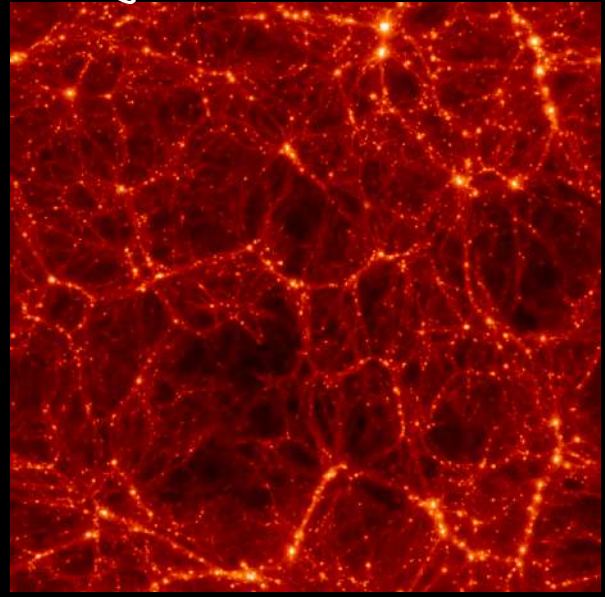
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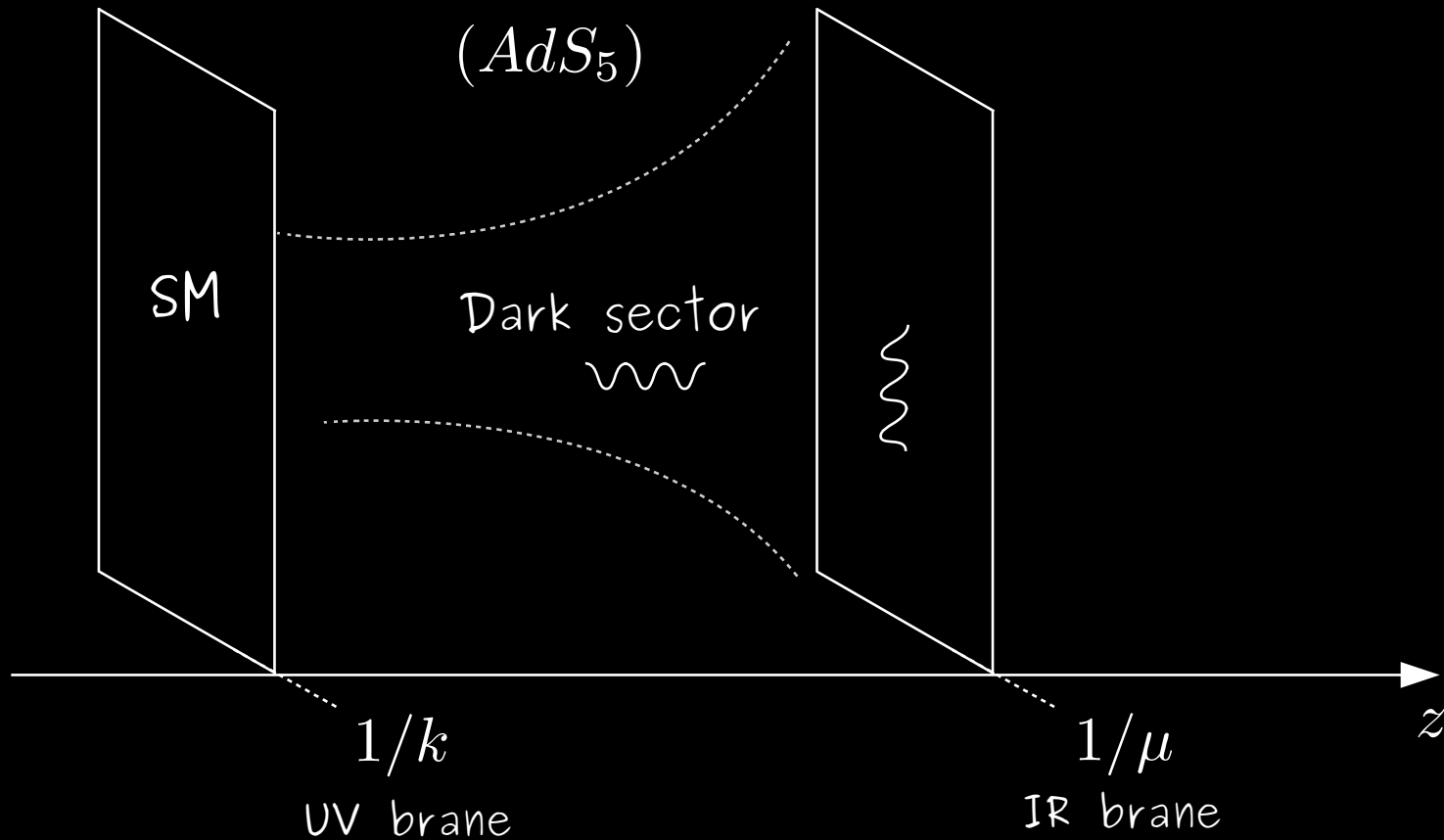
Large scale structures



Cluster collisions



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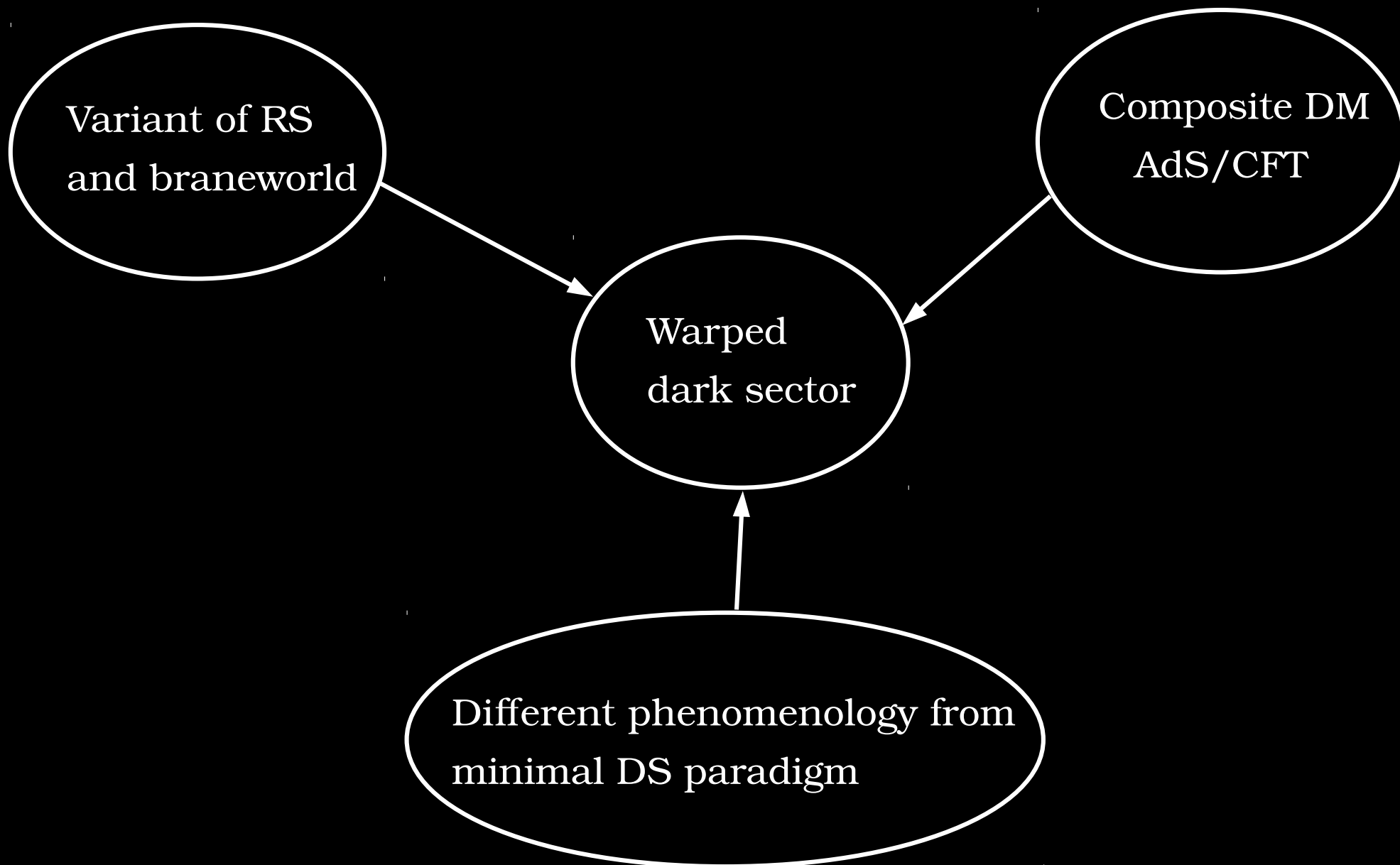


Metric (conformal coordinates): $ds^2 = (kz)^{-2}(\eta_{\mu\nu}x^\mu x^\nu - dz^2)$

Some context

- Not like a Randall-Sundrum model
- Reminiscent of braneworlds (RSII), but here with bulk matter and an IR brane.
- Recent dark sector works with flat extra dimensions [Rizzo '18, '19]...
- Only a few works exist in warped extra dimensions
[von Harling/McDonald '12, McDonald '12, McDonald/Morrisey '11, '12]
- Extra motivation: the model is the AdS dual of a 4d strongly interacting dark sector

Motivations



2. EFT, opacity and all that

[SF 1905.05779]

Some basics

We assume the AdS background is stabilized. Our focus is on the 5D effective QFT (EFT) living on it.

Use conformal coordinates, $ds^2 = (kz)^{-2}(\eta_{\mu\nu}x^\mu x^\nu - dz^2)$ and work in position-momentum space (p^μ, z) .

Free propagator is denoted $\Delta_p(z, z')$, with $p = \sqrt{p_\mu p^\mu}$. p is real for timelike four-momentum and is imaginary for spacelike four-momentum.

$$\Delta(p; z, z') = i \frac{\pi k^3 (zz')^2}{2} \frac{\left[\tilde{Y}_\alpha^{\text{UV}} J_\alpha(pz_{<}) - \tilde{J}_\alpha^{\text{UV}} Y_\alpha(pz_{<}) \right] \left[\tilde{Y}_\alpha^{\text{IR}} J_\alpha(pz_{>}) - \tilde{J}_\alpha^{\text{IR}} Y_\alpha(pz_{>}) \right]}{\tilde{J}_\alpha^{\text{UV}} \tilde{Y}_\alpha^{\text{IR}} - \tilde{Y}_\alpha^{\text{UV}} \tilde{J}_\alpha^{\text{IR}}} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{with } z_{>} = \max(z, z') \\ z_{<} = \min(z, z') \end{array} \right)$$

It can also always be formally written in the Kaluza-Klein (KK) representation (however there is a caveat, cf next slide)

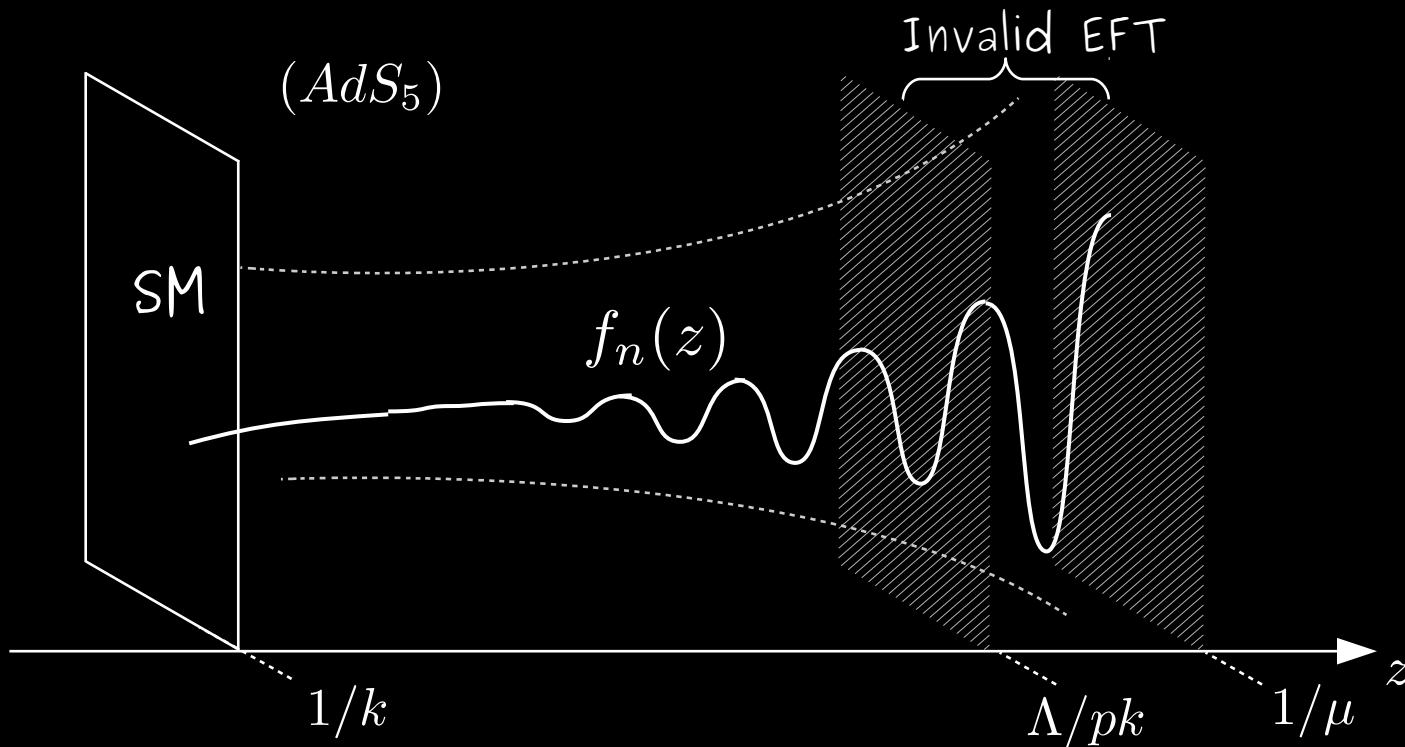
$$\Delta_p(z, z') = i \sum_n \frac{f_n(z) f_n(z')}{p^2 - m_n^2}$$

KK masses are $m_n \sim n\pi\mu$. μ is the **KK scale**, set by the IR brane position.

Effective field theory

The cutoff of the 5D EFT is z -dependent. The EFT breaks down in the IR region.

To see it explicitly, simply consider a higher-dimensional operator $\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \square^2 \Phi^2$
 It dresses the propagator and dominates when $|p|z_{>} \sim \Lambda/k$
 (with $z_{>} = \max(z, z')$)



$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda &\sim 24^{1/3} \pi M_5 \\ &\sim 10 (M_{\text{Pl}}^2 k)^{1/3} \\ &\gtrsim 10k \end{aligned}$$

For example, one can check that any KK mode profile is invalid in that region.

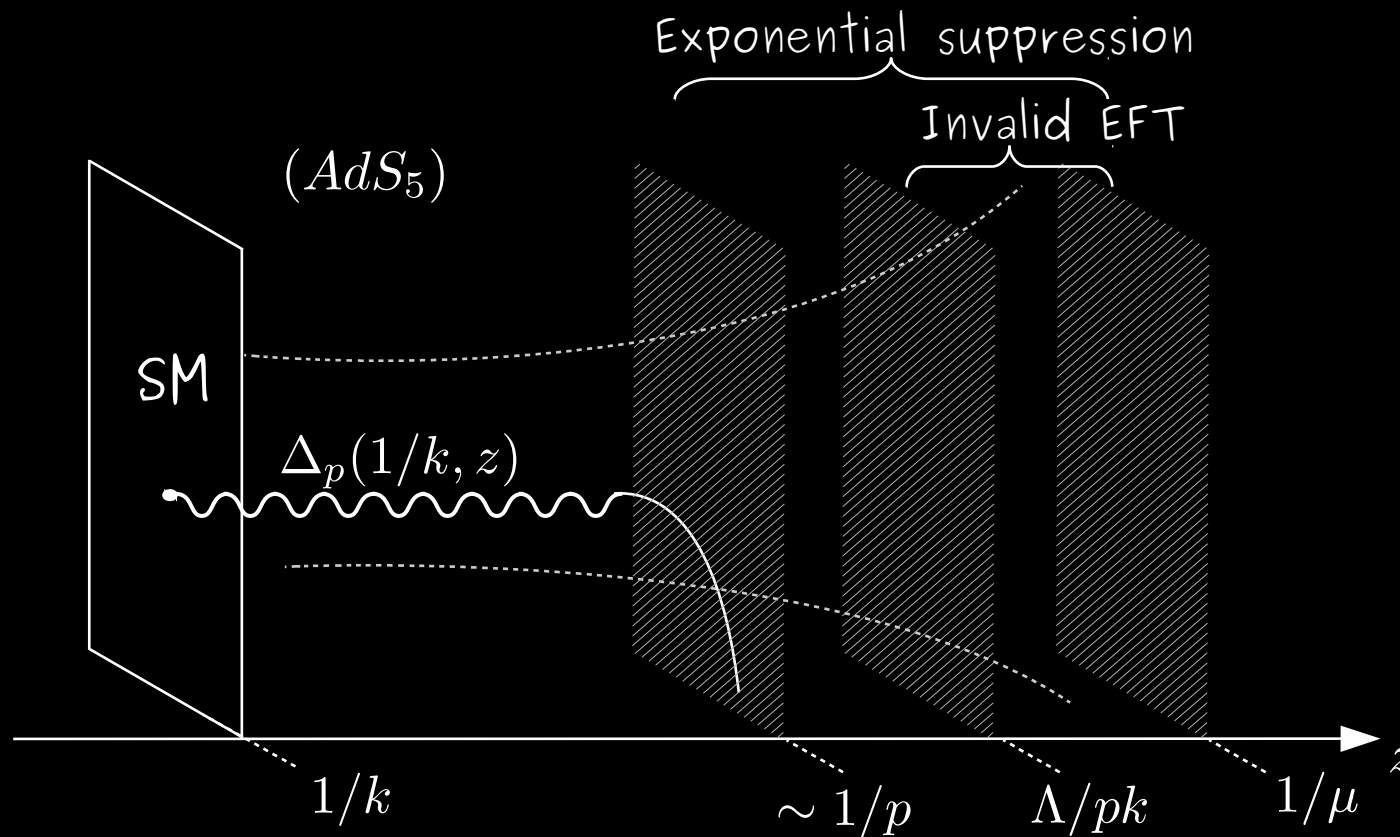
In the $z_{>} > 1/|p|$ region of position/momentum space, the propagator has the asymptotic form

$$\Delta_p(z, z') \propto \frac{\cos\left(\frac{p}{\mu} - pz_{>}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{p}{\mu} + \frac{\pi}{4}(1 - 2\alpha)\right)} \quad (\text{with } z_{>} = \max(z, z') \text{)}$$

(In the KK picture, the KK modes nontrivially conspire to give this expression)

Opacity

For spacelike momentum $ip \in \mathbb{R}$, propagator is **exponentially suppressed** in a bigger IR region, $\Delta_p(z, z') \sim e^{-pz}$ when $|p|z \gtrsim 1$ [Gherghetta/Pomarol '03, SF '19]



Inspiring because:

- In a sense, the region of invalid EFT gets censored.
- Any field/operator localized near the IR brane is effectively “**emergent**” from the viewpoint of the UV brane. No similar effect in flat space

Opacity

What happens for **timelike** momentum?

(Relevant both for phenomenology and for a full theoretical understanding)

For timelike momentum $p \in \mathbb{R}$, the free propagator has a series of poles

$$\Delta_p(z, z') \propto \frac{1}{\cos\left(\frac{p}{\mu} + \frac{\pi}{4}(1 - 2\alpha)\right)} \quad \text{in } z > \frac{1}{|p|} \text{ region}$$

and no suppression occurs.

However interactions should distort $\Delta_p(z, z')$ with imaginary contributions.

May this change the picture?

$$\left(\text{In 4d: } \frac{i}{p^2 - m_{\text{ren}}^2 + i\Sigma(p)} \right)$$

Brane-localized dressing amounts to change the boundary conditions and therefore does not affect the above behaviour.

To understand the propagator's behaviour for timelike momentum, let us therefore investigate the propagator **dressed by bulk interactions**.

(Dressing always occurs from 5d gravity -which is strong in the bulk)

Dressed propagator

The dressed propagator satisfies the **dressed EOM**:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_M (g^{MN} \sqrt{g} \partial_N \Delta(X, X')) + \int dY \Pi(X, Y) \Delta(Y, X') = \frac{-i}{\sqrt{g}} \delta^{(d)}(X, X').$$

The 1PI subdiagram.

Contains the bulk mass $\Pi(X, X') \supset m_{\Phi}^2 \delta^{(d)}(X - X')$

Note the geometric series appears when treating the dressing perturbatively,

$$\mathcal{D} \Delta^{(0)}(X, X') = -i \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \delta^{(d)}(X)$$

$$\mathcal{D} \Delta^{(1)}(X, X') = - \int dY \Pi(X, Y) \Delta^{(0)}(Y, X')$$

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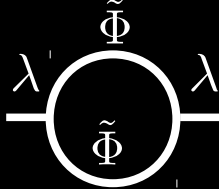
$$\mathcal{D} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_M (g^{MN} \sqrt{g} \partial_N)$$

$$\Delta(X, X') = \overset{\Delta^{(0)}}{\text{---}} + \overset{\Delta^{(1)}}{\text{---}} \circlearrowleft i\Pi \text{---} + \dots$$

Our interest is in the **imaginary part** of Π induced by bulk interactions, which is finite.

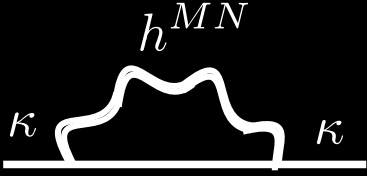
In the KK representation, the KK modes are **mixed** by the self energies which is highly inconvenient. Hence we rather use the closed-form expressions

Dressed propagator

Cubic scalar interaction: $\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda \Phi \tilde{\Phi}^2$, $i\Pi =$ 

5d gravity:

[Dudas/Gersdorff '13]

$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{g} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2M^3}} h^{MN} T_{MN}, \quad i\Pi =$$

 $\kappa = k/M_{\text{Pl}}$



[Details available upon request]

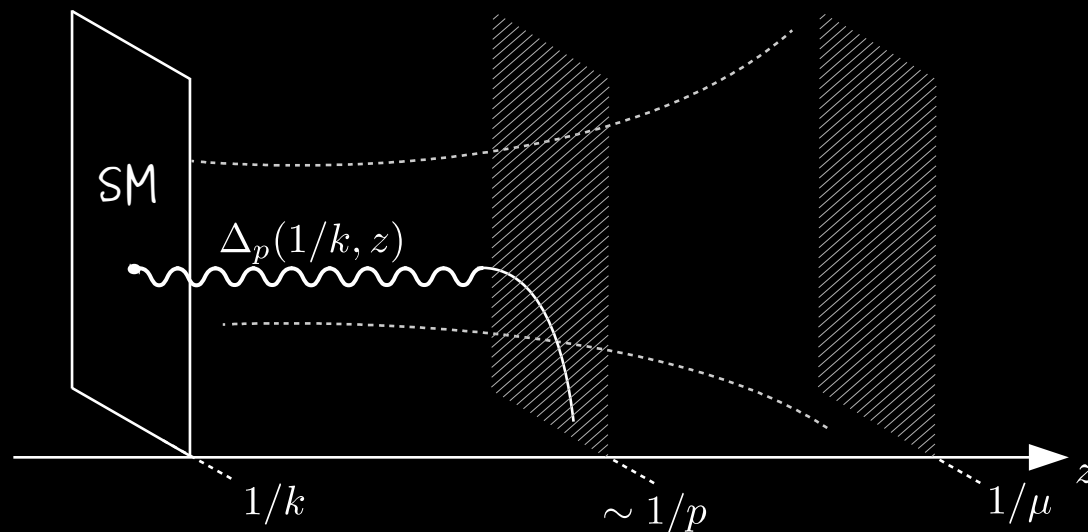
Opacity

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Conclusion (near strong coupling, $\kappa \sim 1$, $\lambda \sim (24)^{1/3}\pi$):

$$z_{>} > 1/p \quad \Delta_p(z, z') \sim \begin{cases} e^{-Cpz_{>}} & \text{if } p^\mu \text{ timelike} \\ e^{-pz_{>}} & \text{if } p^\mu \text{ spacelike} \end{cases} \quad C = O(0.1 - 1)$$

(At weaker coupling, similar results are expected but a numerical solving of the dressed EOM would be needed.)

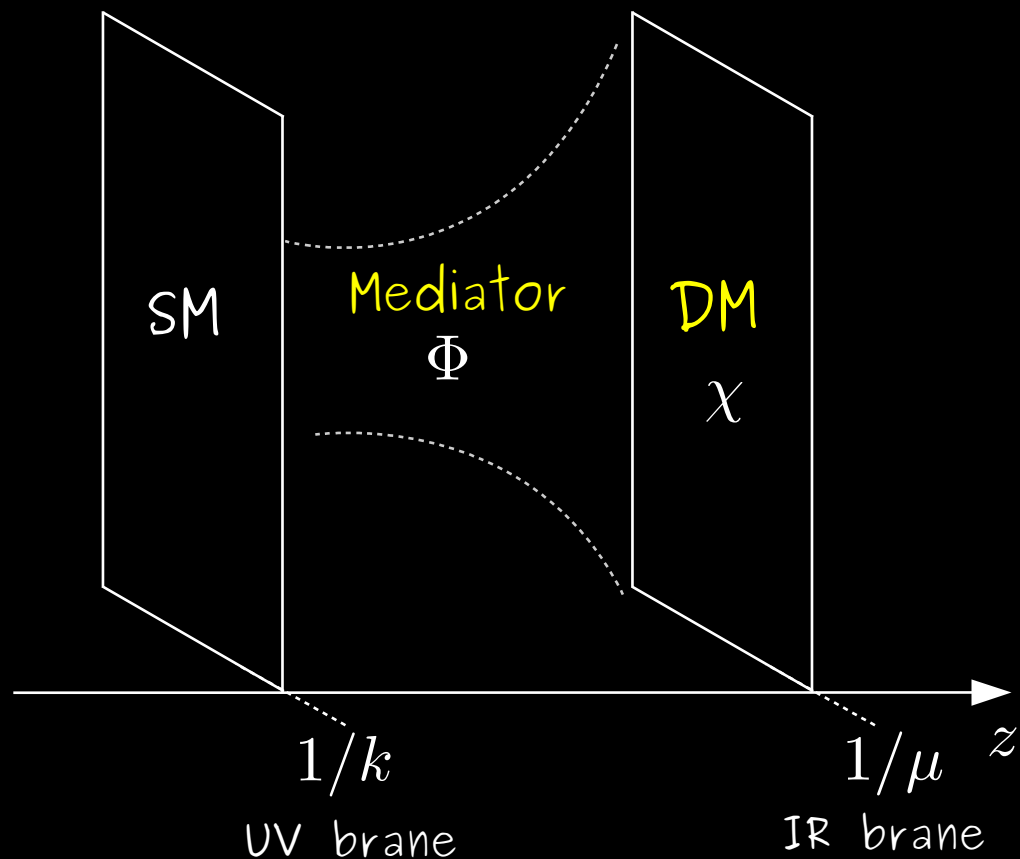


Any field/operator localized near the IR brane is effectively “**emergent**” for a UV-brane observer. There is no similar effect in flat space.

3. Some phenomenology

[Brax/SF/Tanedo 1906.02199] + upcoming works

A dark sector model



To be concrete:

SM = quarks

Φ = scalar

χ = Dirac

$\mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}} = \bar{N}N(\bar{q}q)$

$\mathcal{O}_{\text{D}} = \bar{\chi}\chi$

$m_\chi \sim 4\pi\mu$

$k \sim M_{\text{Pl}}$

$$S \supset \int_{\text{bulk}} d^5 X \sqrt{|g|} \left(\frac{1}{2} \partial_M \Phi \partial^M \Phi - \frac{m_\Phi^2}{2} \Phi^2 \right) + \int_{\text{UV}} d^4 X \sqrt{|\gamma|} \left(\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{k}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}} \Phi - \frac{m_{\text{UV}}}{2} \Phi^2 \right) + \int_{\text{IR}} d^4 X \sqrt{|\gamma|} \left(\mathcal{L}_{\text{IR}} + \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{k}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{D}} \Phi - \frac{m_{\text{IR}}}{2} \Phi^2 \right)$$

Parameters

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μ

IR scale

Sets dark sector mass scale
(Not O(TeV) !)

$$\alpha = \sqrt{4 + m_{\Phi}^2/k^2}$$

Controls localization of bulk field
and thus how strong it couples to SM

m_{UV}

UV brane mass is set to the special value $(2 - \alpha)k$
Implies an exponentially light mode for $\alpha > 1$
No light mode for $\alpha < 1$ (our focus today)

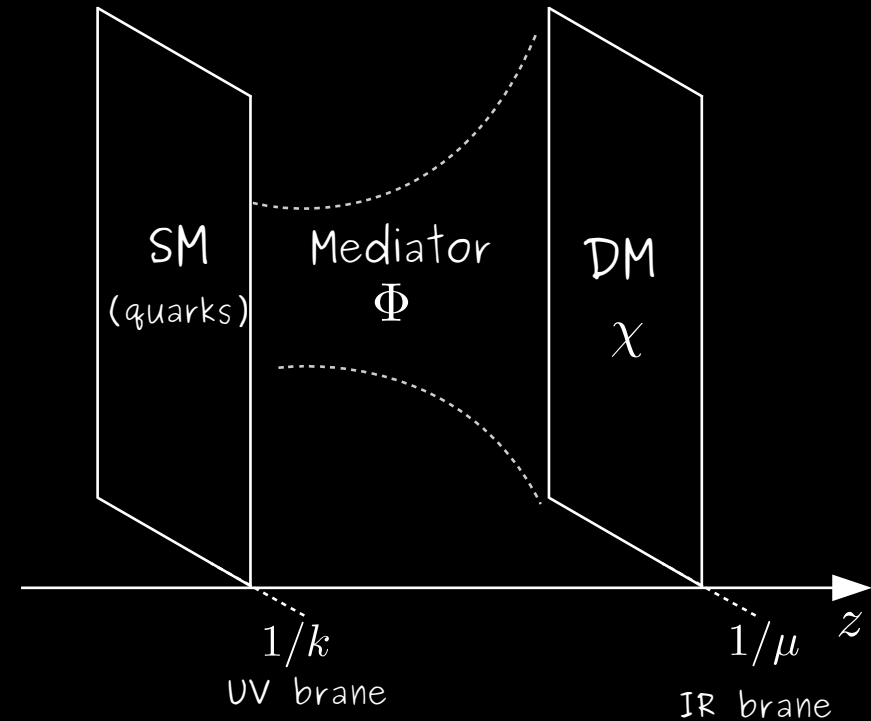
m_{IR}

IR brane mass is left free
(and is mostly irrelevant)

4D regime

- Low-energy regime $|p| < \mu$

KK modes of Φ are integrated out, giving a familiar 4d **DM effective theory**, with $O(\mu)$ cutoff.



$$\mathcal{L}_{4d} \sim \kappa^2 \frac{1}{\mu^2} (\mathcal{O}_D)^2 + \lambda \kappa \frac{\varepsilon^{1-\alpha}}{\mu^2} \mathcal{O}_{SM} \mathcal{O}_D + \lambda^2 \frac{\varepsilon^{2-2\alpha}}{\mu^2} (\mathcal{O}_{SM})^2 \dots$$

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Strong self-interactions

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Exponentially small coupling
Ideal for DM freeze-in

$$\mathcal{O}_{SM} = \bar{N}N, \dots$$

$$\mathcal{O}_D = \bar{\chi}\chi, \dots$$

$$\alpha \in [0, 1]$$

$$\lambda, \kappa = O(1)$$

$$\varepsilon \equiv \mu/k \ll 1$$

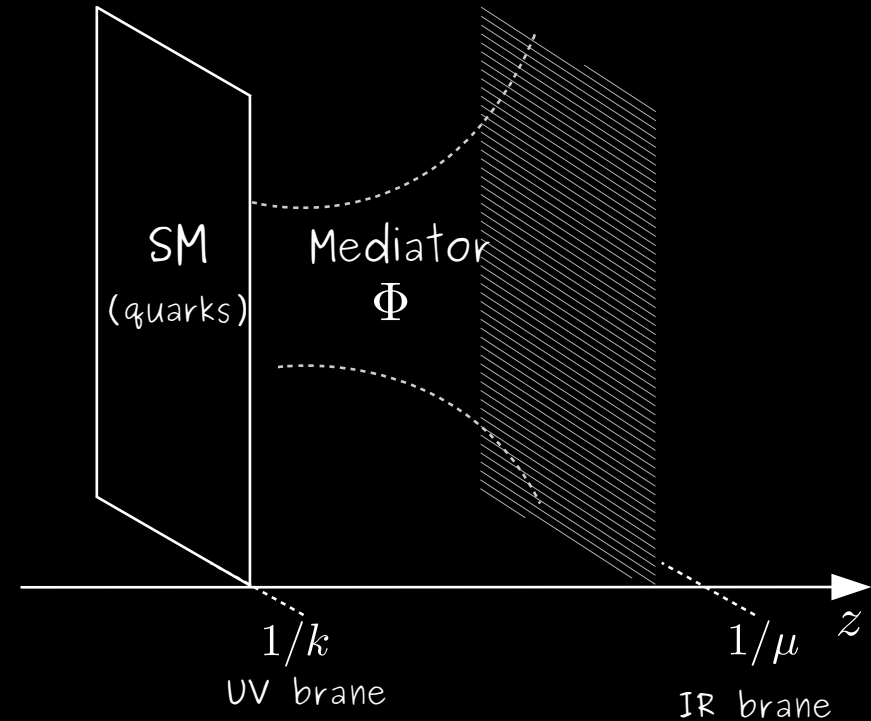
(warp factor)

5D regime

- High-energy regime $|p| > \mu$

DM **vanishes** from the amplitudes.
Amplitudes can be described by pure AdS
with only mediator and SM as dofs,

E.g. $\mathcal{A}(N\chi \rightarrow N\chi) \sim e^{-|p|/\mu}$
for $|p| > \mu$



Exact holographic dual:
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{CFT}} + \frac{1}{M^{\Delta_{\text{CFT}}-1}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{CFT}}$$

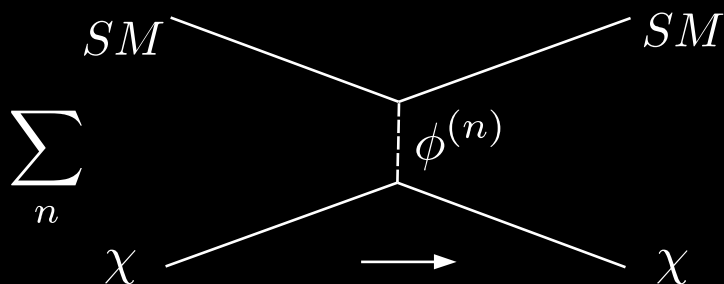
with $\Delta_{\text{CFT}} = 2 - \alpha$

(Δ^- branch, valid for $\alpha \leq 1$)

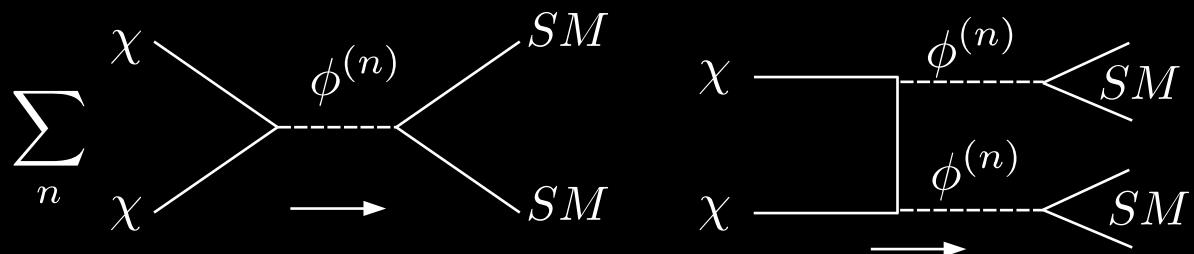
Dark matter complementarity

Dark matter is effectively **emergent**. DM complementarity gets modified.

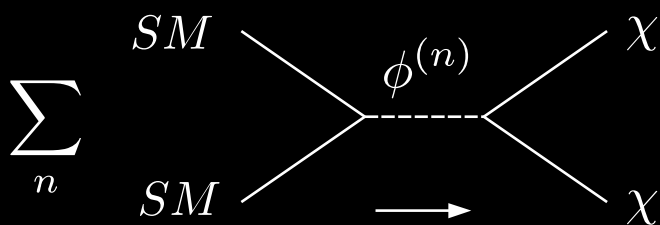
Direct detection $\sqrt{|t|} < \mu$



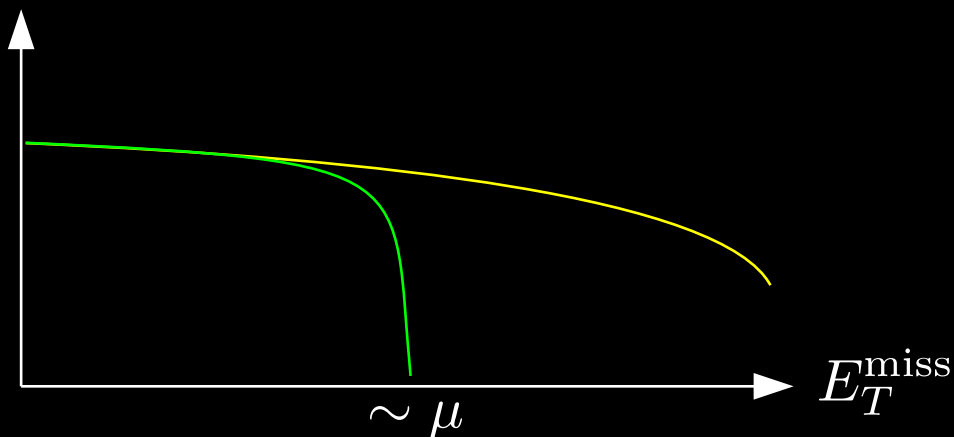
Indirect detection / relic density $\sqrt{s} \sim \mu$



DM production (colliders)



For $\sqrt{s} > \mu$, the mediators conspire such that the **full amplitude is exponentially suppressed**. Hence one expects suppression of missing energy above the IR scale μ



Some generic signatures

Phenomenology of the warped model is rich and only partly familiar.

Some features:

- Exotic fifth force
- Non-standard momentum losses
(meson decays, star cooling)
- Periodic signals at colliders
- Dark radiation
- Soft spherical events (“soft bombs”)
- Dark phase transition around $T \sim \mu$

TODAY:

Quantitative

Qualitative

Not discussed

Exotic fifth force

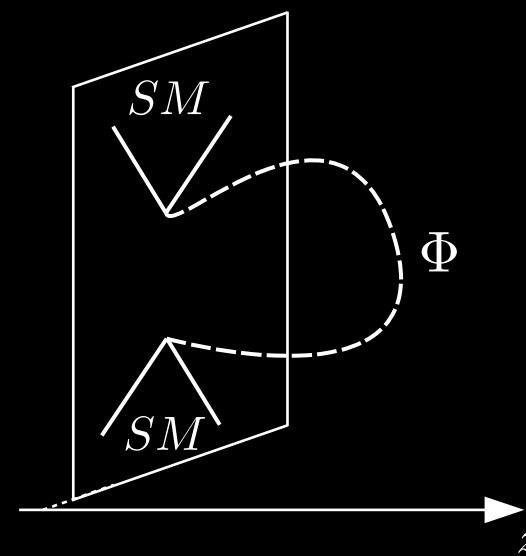
Exchange of a bulk field in the 5d regime leads to a fifth force with **non-integer behaviour**

$$V(r) \propto \int d^3 q e^{iqr} \Delta_{i|q|}(z_0, z_0) \propto \int d^3 q |q|^{-2\alpha}$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{r} \frac{1}{(kr)^{2\alpha-2}}$$

(Behaviour can be exactly reproduced by CFT model)

Bounds from torsion pendulum, Casimir, molecules, neutrons experiments...



Can interpolate with other behaviour in 4d regime.

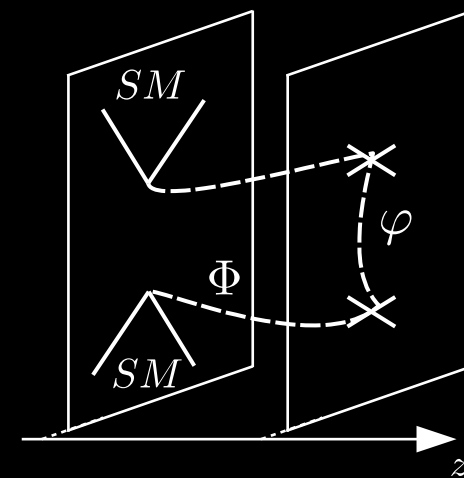
Gives an “emergent” force. [Costantino/SF/Tanedo '19, soon]

E.g. mixing with IR brane scalar φ ,

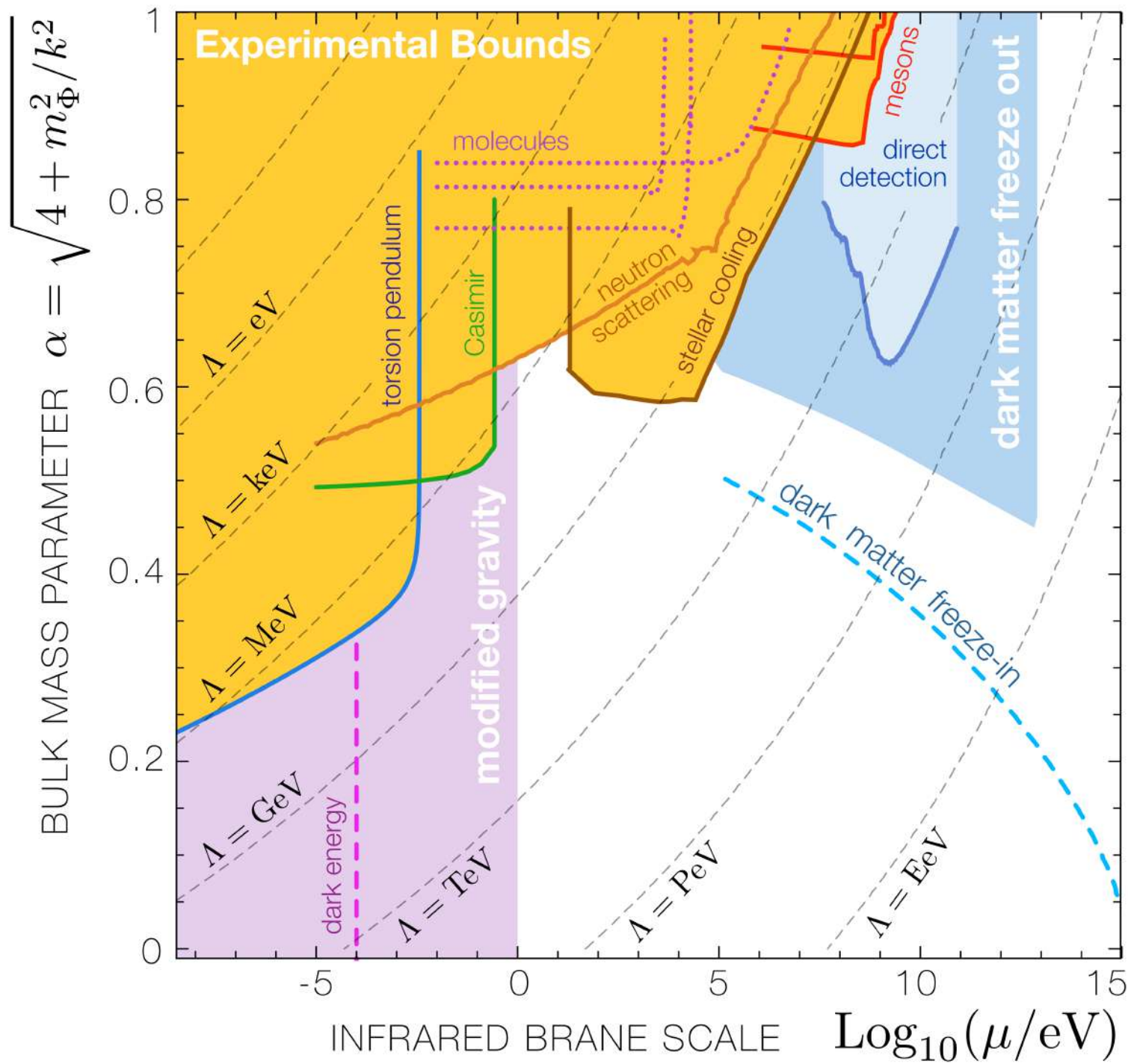
$$\mathcal{L} \supset \delta(z - z_1) (\mathcal{L}_\varphi + \omega \Phi \varphi)$$

(Exact result using dressing)

$$V(r) \propto \int d^3 q e^{iqr} \left[\Delta_{i|q|}(z_0, z_0) + \left(\Delta_{i|q|}(z_0, z_1) \right)^2 \frac{i\omega^2}{p^2 - m_\varphi^2 + i\omega^2 \Delta_{i|q|}(z_1, z_1)} \right]$$



Parameter space



Λ^{-2} is the low-energy SM-DS effective coupling

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \bar{N} N \bar{\chi} \chi$$

μ and Λ can be very low and still evade bounds

Can UV-complete a very low-energy 4d EFT (cutoff $\sim \mu$)

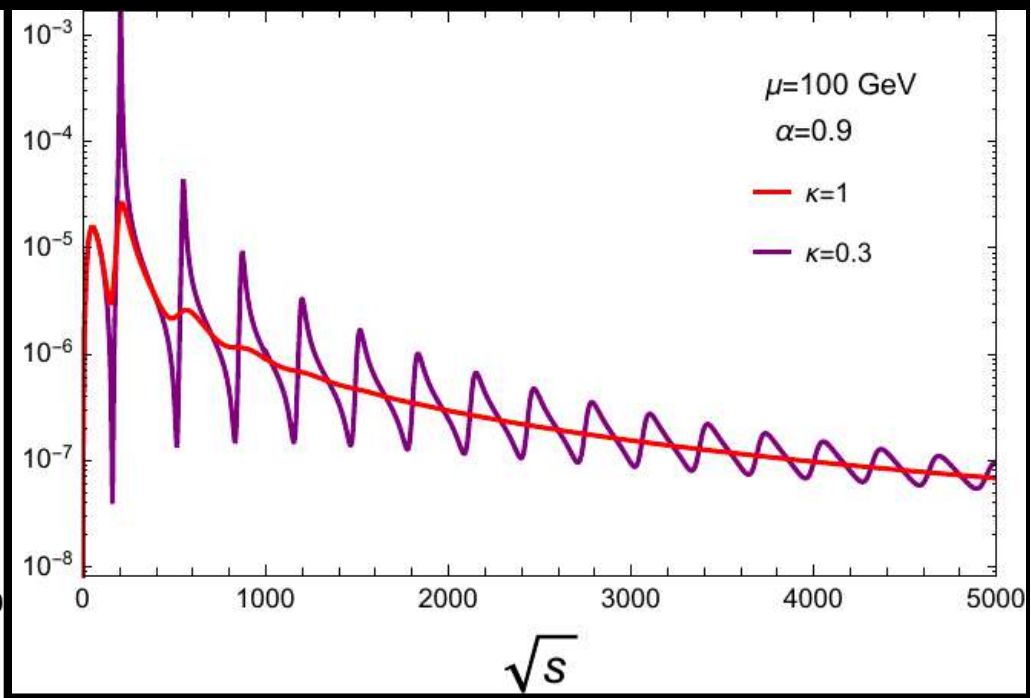
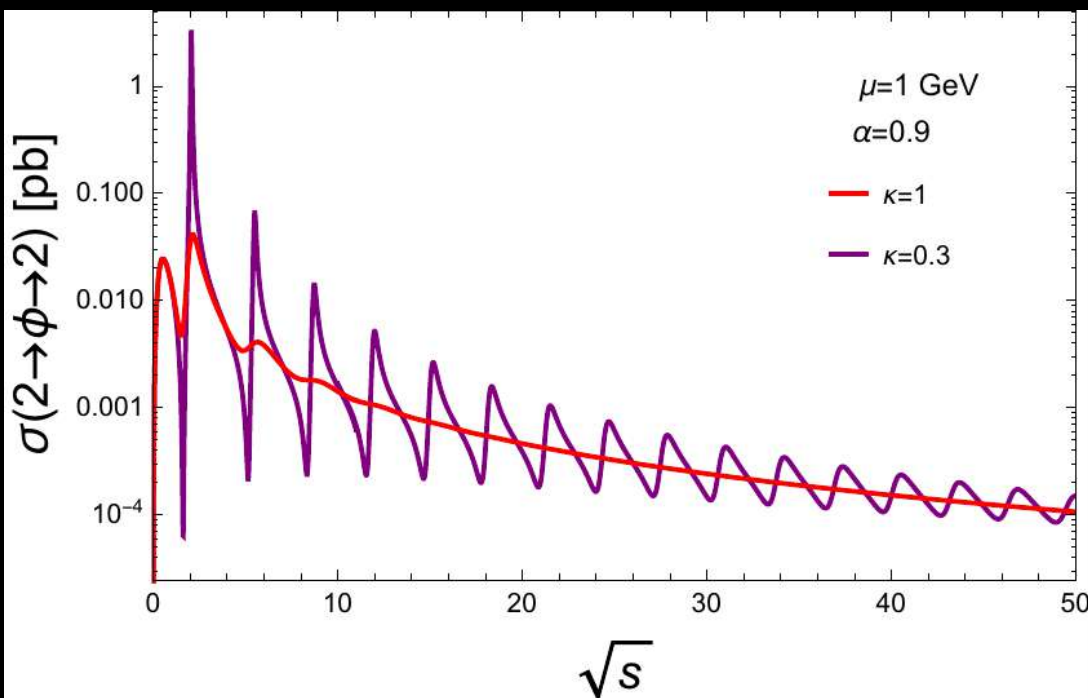
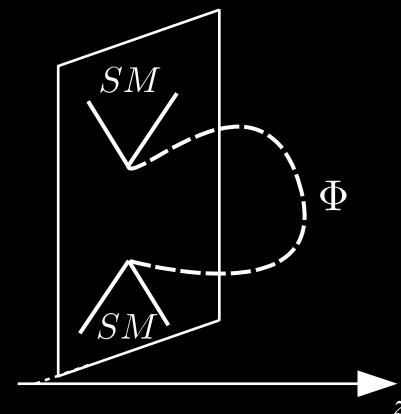
Periodic signals at colliders

- Collider signals with periodic bumps and dips

(Similar signal pointed out in linear dilaton model [Giudice et al '18])

- Smearing depends on details of bulk and brane dressing
- Here only the cross section for $|\mathcal{M}_{\text{BSM}}|^2$ is shown
- Search for signal by taking the Fourier transform of the lineshape

(recent technical developments in [Beauchesne/Kats '19] and [Lillard/Plehn/Romero/Tait '19])



Dark radiation

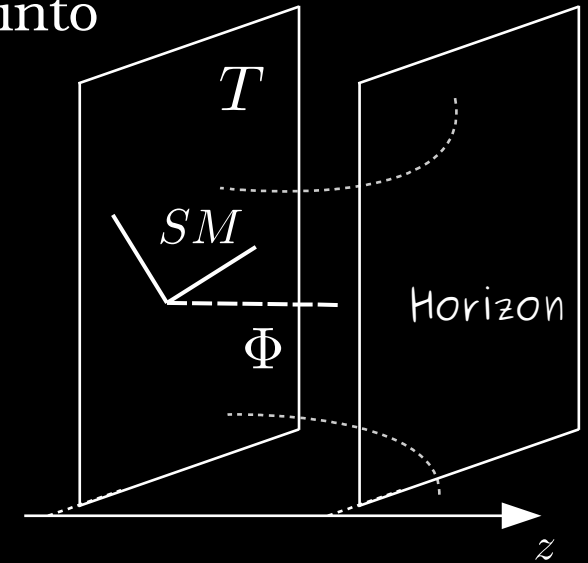
At finite temperature, metric is AdS-Sch, energy leaks into the bulk and equilibrate with the bulk black hole

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} + 3H(\rho + p) = -\sigma \equiv -\sum_n \sigma_n$$

Calculation has been made for gravitons in

[Hebecker/March-Russel '02], [Langlois/Sorbo/Rodriguez '02]

giving $\sigma \propto T^8 / M_5^3$



But approximation of the KK mode profiles was not so appropriate. Using KK continuum trick, calculation doable with exact profiles, giving $\sigma \propto T^9 / k M_5^3$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{32\pi^3} \int dE_1 \int dE_2 (E_1 + E_2) f_1 f_2 \sum_{n=0}^{\tilde{n}} |\overline{\mathcal{M}_n(m_n^2)}|^2$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\tilde{n}} |\overline{\mathcal{M}_n(m_n^2)}|^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\tilde{n}} \frac{1}{M_5^3} f_n^2(z_0) A \frac{m_n^4}{8} = \frac{A}{8M_5^3} \int_{C[\tilde{n}]} \frac{d\rho}{-2\pi} \Delta_{\sqrt{\rho}}(z_0, z_0) \rho^2 \approx A \frac{E_1^3 E_2^3}{3M_5^3}$$

$$\sigma = A \frac{\pi \zeta(5) T^9}{60k}$$

Dark radiation

Technique can be applied similarly for leak into Φ , giving

$$\sigma \propto T^6 \left(\frac{T}{k} \right)^{1-2\alpha}.$$

(and more generally into any bulk matter fields)

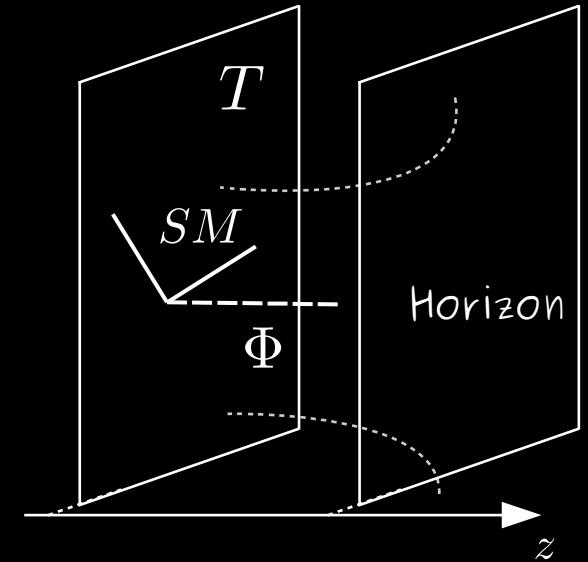
For gravitons and for Φ with $\alpha < 1/2$, an estimate

$$\Omega_D = \int_{\tau_{\text{in}}}^{\infty} d\tau \frac{\sigma}{\rho_{\text{tot}}} \quad (\text{\`a la HMR})$$

typically gives $\Omega_D \lesssim 1\%$ at BBN time.

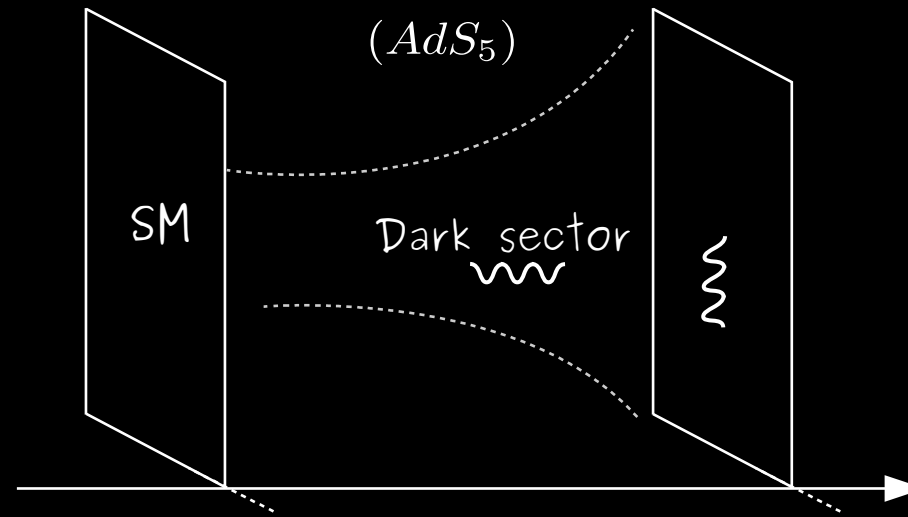
Hence:

- Too small to be constrained by present measurement.
- Might be probed in future



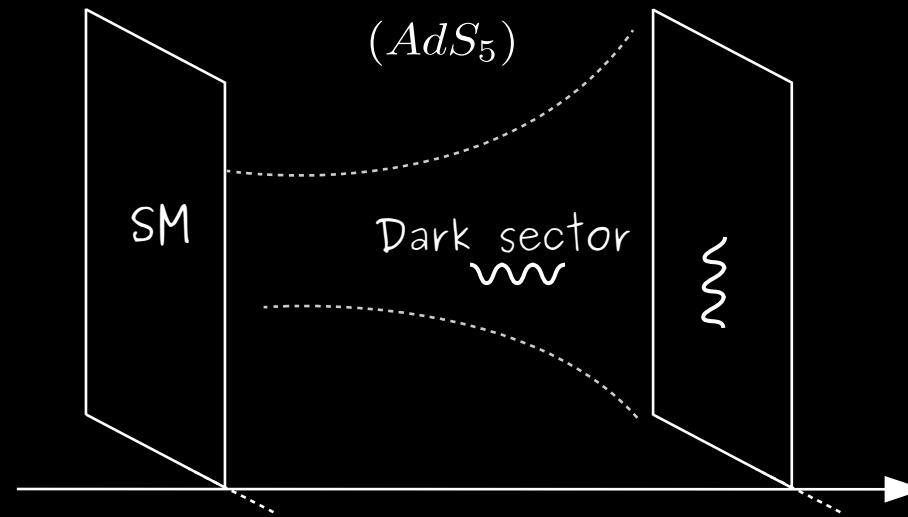
- This property of the old braneworld is very nice for recent sub-GeV dark sector model-building, to alleviate dark radiation constraints
- Many cases to analyze, numerical study probably needed.
- Topic of future work

Summary and outlook



- A warped extradimension naturally gives rise to dark sector physics. A conceptually simple possibility, which is further motivated as the AdS dual of a composite dark sector.
- If DM is on IR brane, it is effectively “emergent”: At high-energy it vanishes from all amplitudes as a result of IR opacity. This implies non-standard DM complementarity.
- Model features a variety of “exotic” signatures. Fifth forces, non-standard stellar cooling and invisible meson decays, etc. At the LHC, expects periodic signals and vanishing of E_T^{miss} above IR scale

Summary and outlook

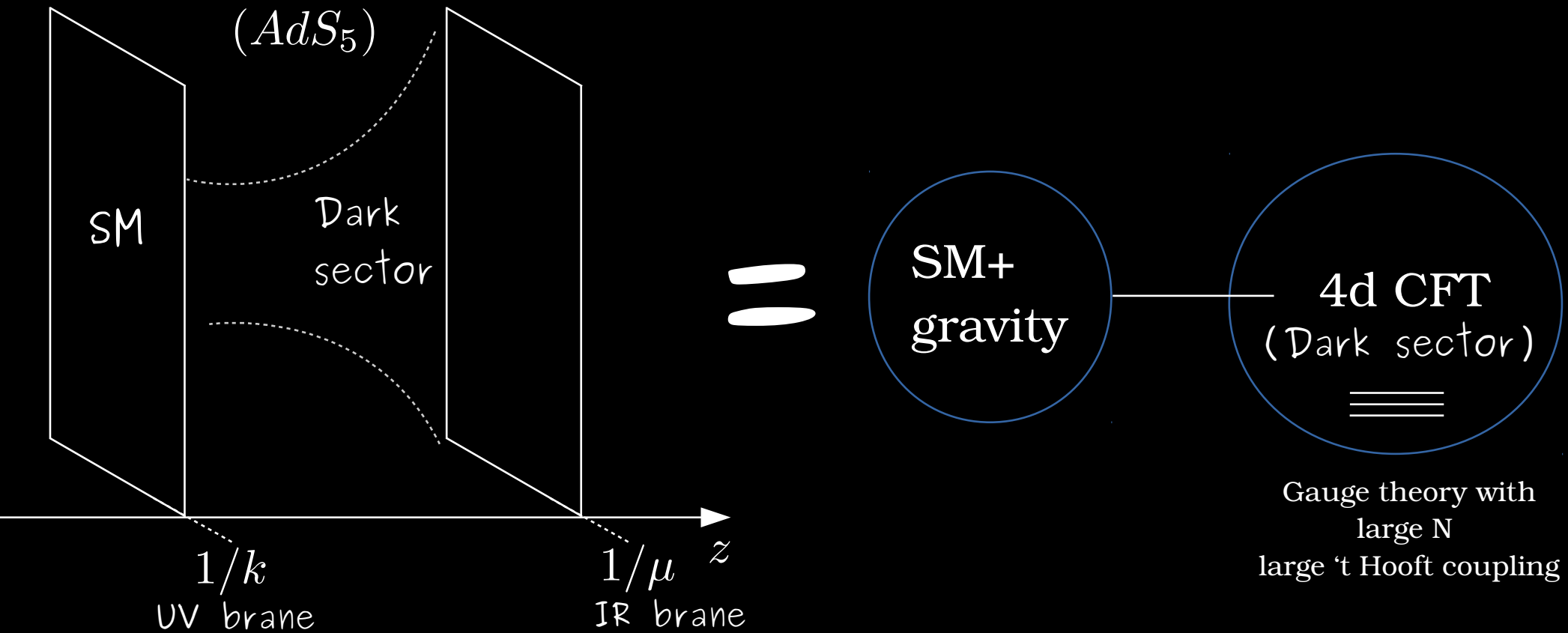


- Many important developments remain to be done, both on theoretical and phenomenological sides. The next papers on our to-do list are about
 - Bulk cascade decay rates
 - Dark radiation
 - Screened modified gravity
- Collaborations welcome, e.g. for a cosmological study of emergent DM or for a collider-oriented study
Let me know if you are interested!

THANKS

More

Duality



AdS model is the holographic description of a strongly interacting dark sector with IR confinement scale at $\sim \mu$.

Some formalism

5d action (an exact slice of AdS):

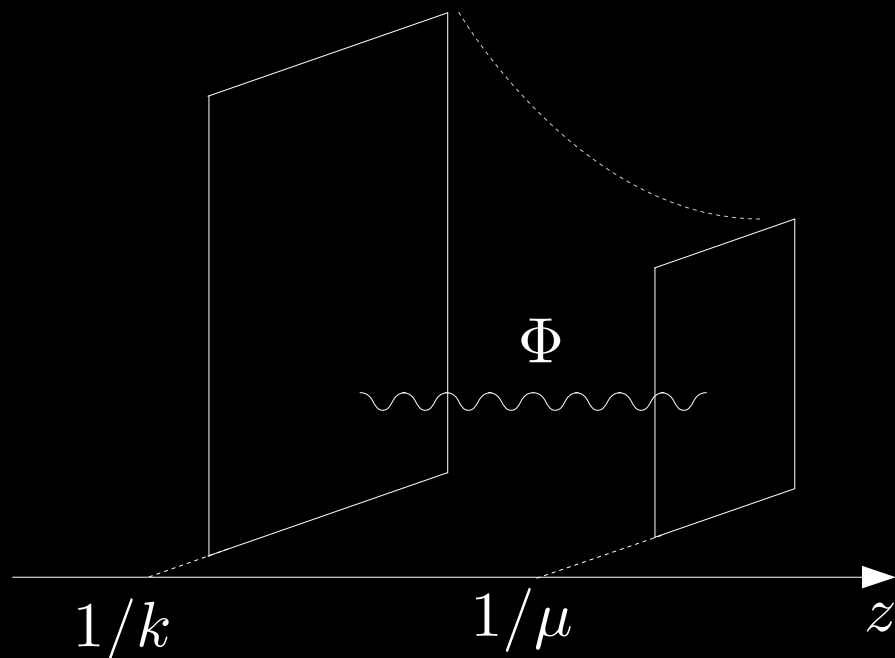
$$S_{\text{AdS}} = \int d^5 x^M \sqrt{g} \left(\frac{1}{2} \nabla_M \Phi \nabla^M \Phi - \frac{1}{2} m_\Phi^2 \Phi^2 \right) + S_{\mathcal{B}} + S_{\text{int}}$$

Metric (conformal coordinates):

$$ds^2 = g_{MN} dx^M dx^N = (kz)^{-2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} x^\mu x^\nu - dz^2)$$

Brane mass terms:

$$S_{\mathcal{B}} = \int d^5 x^M \sqrt{g} \frac{1}{2} (\delta(z - z_0) M_{\text{UV}} - \delta(z - z_1) M_{\text{IR}}) \Phi^2$$



Some definitions:

$$z_0 = 1/k, \quad z_1 = 1/\mu$$

$$M_{\text{UV}} = (\alpha - 2)k - b_{\text{UV}}k,$$

$$M_{\text{IR}} = (\alpha - 2)k + b_{\text{IR}}k.$$

spectrum has a massless mode for

$$b_{\text{UV}} = b_{\text{IR}} = 0, \quad 2\alpha$$

Derivative expansion

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_M (g^{MN} \sqrt{g} \partial_N \Delta(X, X')) + \int dY \Pi(X, Y) \Delta(Y, X') = -i \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \delta^{(d)}(X).$$

In the EOM, Π is a distribution convoluted with the EOM solution.

Π can formally be expanded as

$$\Pi(z, z') = F_0(z) \delta(z, z') - F_1(z) \delta^{(1)}(z, z') + \frac{1}{2} F_2(z) \delta^{(2)}(z, z') + \dots$$

where $F_i(z) = \int dz' z'^i \Pi(z, z')$. Note $F_i(z)/F_0(z)$ are the moments of Π

(Note the Laplace transform amounts to the moment-generating function)

Series can be truncated when distribution is narrow wrto test function

(when keeping leading term, it's just usual approximation as a Dirac peak)

In the case of the AdS propagator, truncation goes as $O(pz >)$

$$F_0(z) = \lambda^2 k C_0 \frac{1}{(kz)^5}, \quad F_1(z) = \lambda^2 C_1 \frac{1}{(kz)^4}, \quad F_2(z) = \frac{\lambda^2}{k} C_2 \frac{1}{(kz)^3}$$

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Contributes to
imaginary bulk mass

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+ harmless phases

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Contributes to
imaginary 4-momentum

Cascade decays

Even though the propagators with timelike momentum cannot access the deep IR, another possibility may be the **cascade decay** of the continuum.

As the field fragments, p reduces and the daughters progressively reach further in the IR.

One finds an approximate recursion relation

$$\int dz dz' d\Phi_3 \left| \text{Diagram 1} \right|^2 \approx a \int d\Phi_2 \left| \text{Diagram 2} \right|^2$$

$$a = \frac{\lambda^2}{k} \frac{\Gamma(-\alpha)^2}{(\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(\alpha+2))^2} \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{1}{(3\alpha+1)^2} \frac{1}{4^{5\alpha+4}} \ll 1$$

λ is cubic scalar coupling
Uncertainty is likely $O(1)$

This can be used to estimate the rate of a cascade decay:

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2(1 \rightarrow n) \sim a^{2^n - 1}$$

Cascade decays

Moreover, from the KK continuum trick, one has

$$\frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\mathcal{C}_{[n_{\text{th}}]}} d\rho \Gamma(\sqrt{\rho}) \underbrace{G_{\sqrt{\rho}}(z, z')}_{\propto \rho^\alpha} \quad \text{which means that decays into heaviest modes are preferred.}$$

(Implies that events will tend to be spherical and soft, same conclusion as [Csaki/Reece/Terning '08])

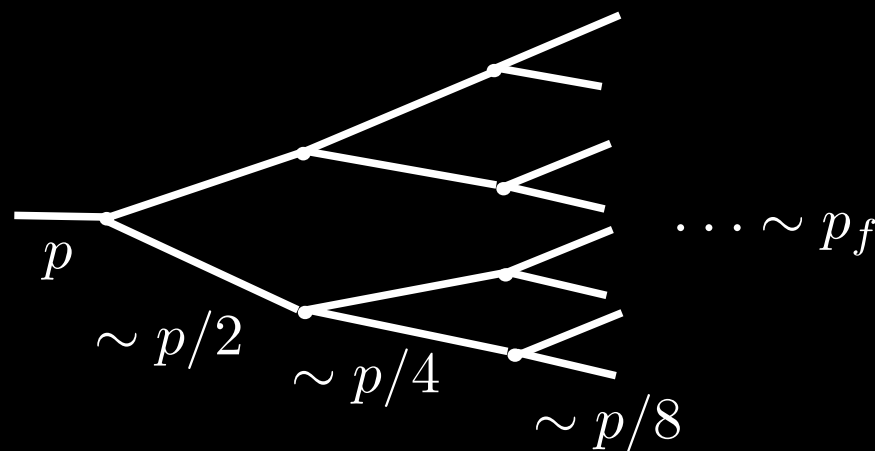
To make a gross estimate, let us consider the most likely phase space configuration,

For final states with momentum $p_f = p/2^n$ we have thus

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 \sim a^{p/p_f - 1}$$

Since $a \ll 1$, this is a strong exponential suppression.

(The value chosen for p_f depends on the other scales of the object considered (detector, star...), because lifetime of final states depends on p_f)



Stellar cooling

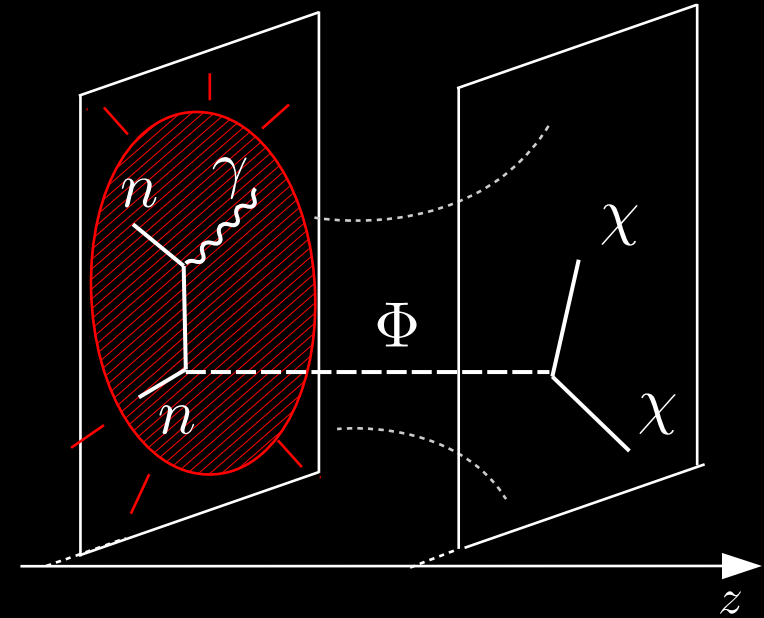
Stellar energy can leak into the IR brane

Known 4d results can be **recast** using phase space recursion and KK representation,

$$R^{(n)}(m_n^2) = \frac{1}{2m_N} \int_0^\infty \frac{dq q^2}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{e^{q/T} - 1} \sigma_{\text{Compton}}^{(n)}(q^2, m_n^2) q$$

$$L^{(n)}(m_n^2) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dq^2}{\pi} R^{(n)}(q^2) \left| \frac{i}{q^2 - m_n^2 + iq\Gamma_{\text{tot}}^{(n)}(q)} \right|^2 q \Gamma^{(n)}(q^2)$$

$$L = \int_0^\infty \frac{dq^2}{\pi} R(q^2) |\Delta(q; z_0, z_1)|^2 q \Gamma_{\Phi \rightarrow \chi \bar{\chi}}(q^2)$$



IR opacity implies that for $\mu \ll T_{\text{star}}$ the process vanishes because IR states are not reached anymore. Such behaviour differs from a simple 4d mediator.

Bound from red giants ($T \sim 10^8$ K): $L_{\text{RG}}^{\text{an}} < 100 \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{g}^{-1}$

Meson invisible decays: Same spirit