DARK MATTER PRODUCTION MECHANISMS

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 Dark Matter Production
 Standard production:

 Freeze-out mechanism
 Weakly Interacting Massive Particles: Thermal production

• Alternatives:

- Freeze-in mechanism
- Decays of other particles
- Gravitational production
- Misalignment mechanism
- Spontaneous symmetry breaking
- Asymmetric DM



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Thermal equilibrium density: $n_{DM}^{eq} = g/(2\pi)^3 \int f(p) d^3p$ When $\Gamma = \langle \sigma_A v \rangle n_{DM} \langle H \rangle$, the DM is frozen out.



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w(s) is defined as

$$w(s) = E_1 E_2 \sigma_A v_{rel} = \frac{s\sigma_A}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M^2}{s}}$$

with the invariant Mandelstam variable:

$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = 2(M^2 + E_1 E_2 - |\vec{p_1}| |\vec{p_2}| \cos \theta)$$

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The distribution functions are assumed to be thermal:

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{e^{E/T} + a}$$

and defined the equilibrium number densities:

$$n_{eq} = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} f(E)$$

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The expansion of the universe is driven by the Friedmann equation:

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3M_P^2}\rho$$

It is interesting to parameterize the energy (and entropy) content by the Effective number of relativistic degrees of freedom:



$$\rho = g_{eff}(T)\frac{\pi^2}{30}T^4$$

$$s = h_{eff}(T)\frac{2\pi^2}{45}T^3$$

They run from 106.75 to 3.36 (energy) or 106.75 to 3.91 (entropy)

By rewriting the Boltzmann equation for the new variables:

$$x = M/T$$
 and $Y = n/s$

we can write

$$\frac{dY}{dx} = -\left(\frac{\pi M_P^2}{45}\right)^{1/2} \frac{h_{eff}M}{g_{eff}^{1/2}x^2} \langle \sigma_A v \rangle (Y^2 - Y_{eq}^2)$$

The solutions can be approximated by the thermal distribution at freeze-out: $x = x_f$

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Hot relics:

Estimated freeze-out tempertature:

$$H(T_f) = 1.67 g_{eff}^{1/2}(T_f) \frac{T_f^2}{M_P} = \Gamma_A(T_f)$$

Result:

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$$\Omega_{Br}h^2 = 7.83 \cdot 10^{-2} \frac{1}{h_{eff}(x_f)} \frac{M}{\text{eV}}$$

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Semi-analitical estimated freeze-out tempertature:

$$x_{f} = \ln\left(\frac{0.038 c (c+2) M_{P} M \langle \sigma_{A} v \rangle}{g_{eff}^{1/2} x_{f}^{1/2}}\right)$$

$$\langle \sigma_A v \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^{-n}$$

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$$\Omega_{Br}h^2 = 8.77 \cdot 10^{-11} \text{GeV}^{-2} \frac{x_f}{g_{eff}^{1/2}} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{c_n}{n+1} x_f^{-n}\right)^{-1}$$



Standard active neutrino example:

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Gravitational decays

Planck scale suppressed decay:

$$\tau \simeq \frac{3\pi}{b} \frac{M_P^2}{(\Delta m)^3} \simeq \frac{3.57 \times 10^{22} \text{ s}}{b} \left[\frac{\text{MeV}}{\Delta m}\right]^3$$

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$$b = 10 \cos^2 \theta_W / 3 \simeq 2.54 \qquad B^1 \to G^1 \gamma$$

$$b = 2 \cos^2 \theta_W \simeq 1.52 \qquad G^1 \to B^1 \gamma$$

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$$\gamma = N_{11}(-i\tilde{\gamma}) + N_{12}(-i\tilde{Z}) + N_{13}\tilde{H}_u + N_{14}$$

 $\tilde{H}_{14}\tilde{H}_d$

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Particles are generically produced by a temporal depending geometry

• The number density is related to Bogoliubov coefficients β_k

$$n = \frac{1}{2\pi^2 a^3} \int dk \, k^2 \left| \beta_k \right|^2$$

• Scalar mode wave functions in large k region:

$$\ddot{\phi}_{k} + 3H\dot{\phi}_{k} + \omega_{k}^{2}(a)\phi_{k} = 0$$

• WKB approximation:

$$\phi_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_k a^3}} \left(\alpha_{k,0} e^{-i\int \omega_k dt} + \beta_{k,0} e^{+i\int \omega_k dt} \right)$$

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Chaotic inflation, conformal coupling

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• Abundance: $\Omega \equiv \rho(t_0) / \rho_c(t_0) - \rho_c(t_0) = 3H_0^2 M_{Pl}^2 / 8\pi$

$$\Omega h^2 \approx \Omega_R h^2 \frac{8\pi}{3} \left(\frac{T_{\rm RH}}{T_0}\right) \frac{n(t_e)m}{M_{Pl}^2 H^2(t_e)}$$

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 $|\beta_k|^2 \approx \frac{\pi^2}{9} \exp\left(-4\frac{(k/a_{\text{eff}}(r))^2 + m^2}{m\sqrt{H_{\text{eff}}^2(r) + R_{\text{eff}}(r)/6}}\right)$

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$$\Omega_X h^2 \approx \left(\frac{M_X}{10^{11} \text{GeV}}\right)^2 \frac{T_{RH}}{10^9 \text{GeV}} \left(\frac{M_X}{H_e}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left(-2M_X/H_e\right)$$

Supermassive DM: Mx > 10⁹ GeV

Chung, Crotty, Kolb, Riotto, arXiv:hep-ph/0104100

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Relic Density from symmetry breaking Non-topological and topological solitons are generically formed:

- Strings: Non trivial first homotopy group
- Monopoles: Non trivial second homotopy group
- Skyrmions: Non trivial third homotopy group

They can be classified according to the homotopy of the coset space of the symmetry breaking pattern:

 $G \longrightarrow H$ Coset space: G/H

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Topological defect network formation

If stable: Viable DM candidates

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Particle defects: Monopoles

Kibble mechanism:

- Correlation lenght ξ
- Formation of one monopole per Hubble volume

$$n_M \sim \xi^{-3} \Rightarrow n_M \simeq H^3$$

Universe dominated by radition:

$$H = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi^3 g_*}{45}} \frac{T^2}{M_P} = 1.66\sqrt{g_*} \frac{T^2}{M_P} \qquad s = \frac{2\pi^2}{45} g_{*s} T^3$$

Number density of monopoles:

$$\frac{n_M}{s} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{16\pi^5}{45}} \frac{g_*^{3/2}}{g_{*s}} \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 = 107 \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 \leftarrow \frac{16\pi^5}{g_{*s}} \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 = 107 \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 = 107 \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 \leftarrow \frac{16\pi^5}{g_{*s}} \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 = 107 \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 + \frac{16\pi^5}{g_{*s}} \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 = 107 \left(\frac{T_c}{M_P}\right)^3 + \frac{16\pi^5}{g_{*s}} \left(\frac{T_c}{$$

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 $\begin{cases} \xi = \xi_0 |\epsilon|^{-\nu} \\ \tau = \tau_0 |\epsilon|^{-\mu} \end{cases}$

Kibble-Zurek mechanism:

- The transition takes place in a finite time
- Correlation lenght
- Relaxation time

$$\begin{cases} t - t_c = \tau_Q \ \epsilon(t) \\ \tau(t_*) = t_* - t_c \end{cases} \Rightarrow \xi(t_*) = \xi_0 \left(\frac{\tau_Q}{\tau_0}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{\mu+1}}$$

Quenching time:

$$\tau_Q \xrightarrow[t \to t_c]{} 2t_c = H^{-1}(T_c)$$

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Relaxation time

Landau-

Ginzburg:

Fiducial:

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$$\Omega_M h^2 \sim 2 \cdot 10^{12} \left(\frac{1.97 \cdot 10^{-12}}{x_c} \right)^{\frac{3\nu}{\mu+1}} \left(\frac{m_M}{\text{PeV}} \right)^{\frac{3\nu}{\mu+1}+1}$$

$$x_c = m_M / T_c$$

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Landau-Ginzburg:

$$\Omega_M h^2 \sim \frac{2.30}{x_c} \left(\frac{m_M}{\text{PeV}}\right)^2$$

Fiducial model:

$$\Omega_M h^2 \sim \frac{1.9 \cdot 10^{-2}}{x_c^{6/5}} \left(\frac{m_M}{\text{PeV}}\right)^{\frac{11}{5}}$$

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 $\Omega_{PD}h^2 \approx 1.5 \times 10^9 \left(\frac{x_c T_c}{1 \text{ TeV}}\right) \left(\frac{30 T_c}{M_{-1}}\right)$

 $T_{c} \approx 10^{6}$

Murayama and Shu, arXiv:0905.1720v1

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Topological defect network formation

Topological defects decay

Pseudo-goldstone boson production

Energy

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- Relic Density from Misalignments
 Bosonic particles may have important abundance due to initial displacements.
 - Number density: $n_{\phi} \sim m_0 \phi_1^2/2$
 - Abundance: $\Omega_{\phi}h^2 \simeq \frac{(n_{\phi}/s)(s_0/\gamma_{s1})}{\rho_{crit}}m_0$
 - It oscillates from:

$$T_1 \simeq 15.5 \,\mathrm{TeV} \left[\frac{m_s}{1 \,\mathrm{eV}}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[\frac{100}{q_{s\,1}}\right]^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

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Cold DM Abundance:

$$\Omega_{\phi} h^2 \simeq 0.86 \left[\frac{m_s}{1 \,\mathrm{eV}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[\frac{\phi_1}{10^{12} \,\mathrm{GeV}} \right]^2 \left[\frac{100 \, g_{e\,1}^3}{(\gamma_{s1} g_{s1})^4} \right]^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Cembranos, PRL102:141301 (2009)

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 - Coherent bosonic background violating X and CP (Affleck-Dine mechanism)
 - First order phase transition (X is violated through sphalerons)
 - Spontaneous genesis (CPT violation)

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We have discussed about different DM production mechanisms:

- Freeze-out mechanism
- Freeze-in mechanism
- Decays of other particles
- Gravitational production
- Misalignment mechanism
- Spontaneous symmetry breaking
- Asymmetric DM

Examination sheet

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I.- Estimate the maximum and minimum mass and cross section interaction for the dark matter candidate in order to account for the dark matter abundance of the standard model of cosmology depending on the production mechanism:

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- I.b.- Freeze-in mechanism
- I.c.- Decays of other particles
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- I.e.- Misalignment mechanism
- I.f.- Spontaneous symmetry breaking:
 - I.f.1.- Topological Defects
 - I.f.2.- Pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone bosons
- I.g.- Asymmetric DM

Comment your assumptions and plot the final results in a common figure σ vs m (for example, σ can be defined as $\sigma \equiv \langle \sigma_A v \rangle / \sqrt{\langle v^2 \rangle}$ for the freeze-out mechanism, but other definitions can be used for other types of production).

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Relaxation time

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$$\begin{cases} \xi = \xi_0 |\epsilon|^{-\nu} \\ \tau = \tau_0 |\epsilon|^{-\mu} \end{cases}$$

$$\epsilon \equiv \frac{T_c - T}{T_c}.$$

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