Making and Detecting Dark Matter Particles

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- Evidence for $\Omega_{DM} \gtrsim 0.2$ much more robust than that! (Does, however, assume standard law of gravitation.)

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Right diagram gives only way to detect ν_s : monochromatic (X–ray) photon at $E_{\gamma} = m_{\nu_s}/2$.

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Loophole: Use non–standard production mechanism: large lepton asymmetry ($\Delta L \sim 0.1$), ν_s coupling to inflaton, ...

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- Allow charged NLSP, e.g. *τ*₁. In this case, scenario might be testable if NLSP is sufficiently long–lived, by collecting NLSPs producted at colliders and carefully measuring their decays. Hamaguchi et al., hep-ph/0409248; Feng & Smith, hep-ph/0409278; Brandenbyrg et al., hep-ph/0501287; Baltz et al., hep-ph/0602187. However, BBN?? (→ talk Olive)

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$$\frac{dn_{\chi}}{dt} + 3Hn_{\chi} = -\langle \sigma_{\rm ann} v \rangle \left(n_{\chi}^2 - n_{\chi, \rm eq}^2 \right) + \sum_{X, Y} n_X \Gamma(X \to \chi + Y)$$

 $H = \dot{R}/R$: Hubble parameter $\langle \dots \rangle$: Thermal averaging $\sigma_{ann} = \sigma(\chi \chi \rightarrow SM \text{ particles})$ v: relative velocity between χ 's in their cms $n_{\chi, eq} : \chi$ density in full equilibrium

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Using explicit form of H, $Y_{\chi,eq}$, Boltzmann eq. becomes $\frac{dY_{\chi}}{dx} = -f\left(a + \frac{6b}{x}\right)x^{-2}\left(Y_{\chi}^2 - cx^3e^{-2x}\right).$ $f = 1.32 \ m_{\chi}M_{\rm Pl}\sqrt{g_*}, \ c = 0.0210 \ g_{\chi}^2/g_*^2$

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Following examples from Djouadi, MD, Kneurr, hep-ph/0602001

Example: $m_t = 172.7$ **GeV,** $\tan \beta = 10, A_0 = 0, \mu > 0$



Effect of varying $\tan \beta$







Mass Bounds

More meaningful than "size of allowed parameter space" mSUGRA, all parameters scanned over allowed region

particle	minimal mass [GeV]			min, max mass	
	basic	incl. $b \rightarrow s\gamma$	incl. DM	aggr. a_{μ}	incl. DM
$ ilde{\chi}^0_1$	52	52	53	53, 359	55, 357
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H^{\pm}	128	128	128	128, 979	128, 960
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