Coannihilation without chemical equilibrium

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Dark Matter

Galactic (rotation curves)

Vera Rubin, Kent Ford 1970 Pato, locco, Bertone 1504.06325

Galaxy clusters

Fritz Zwicky 1933

Bullet Cluster, Clowe et al astro-ph/0608407

Cosmic microwave background

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \Omega_{cdm} h^2 & = & \frac{\rho_{cdm}}{10.50 \, {\rm GeV/m^3}} \\ & = & 0.1198 \pm 0.0015 \end{array}$$



Planck 1502.01589

Testing the WIMP hypothesis

Fermi, H.E.S.S., AMS02, IceCube, Planck..., CTA



XENON1T LUX

XENONnT DARWIN LZ





production at colliders



LHC, HL-LHC



More possibilities

interaction	mass				
with SM					
	Super Light	Light	Heavy		
Strong	x	x	MACHOs, black holes		
Weak	x	WIMP	WIMPZILLA		
Super Weak	Axion, sterile	gravitino, FIMP	PIDM		

not complete!

credit M. Sloth

FIMP vs WIMP



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Can we be in between?

Freeze-out



Lee-Weinberg equation for a single dark matter species $\chi\chi \rightarrow SM+SM'$

$$\dot{n}_{\chi} + 3Hn_{\chi} = -(n_{\chi}^2 - n_{eq}^2)\langle \sigma v \rangle$$

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- Annihilation $\chi_i + \chi_j \rightarrow SM + SM'$
- Conversion via (inverse) decay $\chi_i \leftrightarrow \chi_j + SM$
- Conversion via scattering $\chi_i + SM \leftrightarrow \chi_j + SM'$

$$\begin{split} \dot{n}_{i} + 3Hn_{i} &= -\sum_{j} (n_{i}n_{j} - n_{i}^{eq}n_{j}^{eq}) \langle \sigma_{ij} v_{ij} \rangle \\ &- \sum_{X \in \text{SM}, j} \Gamma_{i \to jX} n_{i}^{eq} \left(\frac{n_{i}}{n_{i}^{eq}} - \frac{n_{j}}{n_{j}^{eq}} \right) - (i \leftrightarrow j) \\ &- \sum_{X, Y \in \text{SM}, j} \sigma_{iX \to jY} n_{i}^{eq} n_{X}^{eq} \left(\frac{n_{i}}{n_{i}^{eq}} - \frac{n_{j}}{n_{j}^{eq}} \right) \end{split}$$

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$$\sum_{j} n_{i}^{eq} n_{j}^{eq} \langle \sigma_{ij} v_{ij} \rangle \propto \exp\left(-\frac{m_{i} + m_{j}}{T}\right)$$
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If conversion rates > Hubble expansion \Rightarrow chemical equilibrium

$$\frac{n_i}{n_j} = \frac{n_i^{eq}}{n_j^{eq}}$$

Coannihilation in chemical equilibrium

Reduce effectively to single Lee-Weinberg equation for $n = \sum_{i} n_i$

$$\dot{n} + 3Hn = -(n^2 - (n^{eq})^2)\langle \sigma v_{eff} \rangle$$

Effective annihilation cross section

$$\sigma v_{eff} = \sum_{ij} \sigma_{ij} v_{ij} \frac{n_i^{eq} n_j^{eq}}{(n^{eq})^2}$$

Conversion terms dropped out, not sensitive as long as rates are large enough

$$\sum_{j} n_{i}^{eq} n_{j}^{eq} \langle \sigma_{ij} \mathbf{v}_{ij} \rangle \propto |\mathcal{M}|_{ij \to SMSM'}^{2} \exp\left(-\frac{m_{i} + m_{j}}{T}\right)$$
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Rates depend also on matrix elements \Rightarrow chemical equilibrium not guaranteed in general

Example

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- Coupling to RH quark q_R (e.g. bottom b_R)
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- Contains MSSM with bino-like neutralino, $\tilde{b} = squark$

$$\lambda_{\chi} = \sqrt{2}g' Y_{\tilde{b}} \approx \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 0.33 & \text{up-type} \\ 0.16 & \text{down-type} \end{array} \right.$$

DM coupling to u-quarks



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DM coupling to u-quark (prospects)



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(Co-)annihilation processes

initial state		final state		scaling
χ	χ	b	Б	λ_{χ}^4
X	ĩ	b W ⁻	g, γ, Z, H t, u, c	$\lambda_{\chi}^2 g_s^2$
ъ	\widetilde{b}^{\dagger}	V 9 Z 1	V	g_s^4

Relic density if chemical equilibrium holds

$$\Omega_{\chi}h^2 \sim \frac{1}{\sigma v_{eff}} = \frac{m_{\chi}^2}{\lambda_{\chi}^4 C_{\chi\chi} + \lambda_{\chi}^2 g_s^2 C_{\chi\widetilde{b}} + g_s^4 C_{\widetilde{b}\widetilde{b}}}$$

QCD-mediated channel $\propto g_s^4$ can lead to $\Omega_\chi h^2 < 0.12$ even for $\lambda_\chi \ll 1$

Conversion processes

initial state		final state		scaling
χ	$ \begin{array}{c} b \\ g, \gamma, Z, H \\ W^{-} \\ t, u, c \end{array} $	b	$ \begin{array}{c} g, \gamma, Z, H \\ \hline b \\ \hline \overline{t}, \overline{u}, \overline{c} \\ W^+ \end{array} $	λ_{χ}^2
		χ	b	λ_{χ}^2

Conversions become inefficient for $\lambda_{\chi} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ deviation from chemical equilibrium needs to be taken into account for $\Gamma_{conv} \sim H$

Rates vs
$$x = m_{\chi}/T$$



x

 $m_\chi = 500$ GeV, $m_{\widetilde{b}} = 510$ GeV

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Relic density vs coupling λ_{χ}



Measured abundance can be obtained by allowing the 'right' amount of contact between χ and \widetilde{b} $$_{\rm MG,\ Heisig,\ Lilf,\ Vogl\ 1705.09292}$$

Freeze-out w/o chemical equilibrium



x

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Independence of initial condition



Very weakly coupled, but still thermalized at early times \Rightarrow no dependence on initial abundance MG, Heisig, Lülf, Vogl 1705.09292

kinetic equilibrium





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Signatures

- Small coupling avoids constraints from DD, ID
- \blacktriangleright Coloured mediator \widetilde{b} produced at LHC, macroscopic decay length $\widetilde{b} \to \chi b$
- Ionizing track in detector (R-hadron)
- For $\Omega_{\chi} = 0.12$, decay length of order *cm* to *m*
- $\blacktriangleright \Rightarrow$ need to re-interpret R-hadron analyses to account for decay inside detector

R-hadron LHC constraints



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Conclusion

- Usual treatment of coannihilations relies on assumption of chemical equilibrium
- Often justified, but not always
- ► Freeze-out w/o chemical equilibrium can explain dark matter abundance for very weakly coupled dark matter particle, and strongly coupled mediator ⇒ Long-lived states at LHC, no signal in DD/ID
- Required coupling lies between typical FIMP and WIMP
- Preserves predictivity of WIMPs (independence of ICs)
- ► Not limited to example shown here, 'co-scattering' (see e.g. D'Agnolo, Pappadopulo, Ruderman 1705.08450)

BE w/o chemical and kinetic equilibrium



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CMS R-hadron reinterpretation



BE w/o chemical equilibrium

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}Y_{\chi}}{\mathrm{d}x} &= \frac{1}{3H} \frac{\mathrm{d}s}{\mathrm{d}x} \quad \left[\begin{array}{c} \left\langle \sigma_{\chi\chi} \nu \right\rangle \left(Y_{\chi}^{2} - Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}\,2}\right) + \left\langle \sigma_{\chi\tilde{b}} \nu \right\rangle \left(Y_{\chi}Y_{\tilde{b}} - Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}}Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}}\right) \right. \\ &+ \frac{\Gamma_{\chi \to \tilde{b}}}{s} \left(Y_{\chi} - Y_{\tilde{b}}\frac{Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}}}{Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma_{\tilde{b}}}{s} \left(Y_{\tilde{b}} - Y_{\chi}\frac{Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}}}{Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}}}\right) \\ &+ \left\langle \sigma_{\chi\chi \to \tilde{b}\tilde{b}^{\dagger}} \nu \right\rangle \left(Y_{\chi}^{2} - Y_{\tilde{b}}^{2}\frac{Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}\,2}}{Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}\,2}}\right) \right] \\ \\ \frac{\mathrm{d}Y_{\tilde{b}}}{\mathrm{d}x} &= \frac{1}{3H} \frac{\mathrm{d}s}{\mathrm{d}x} \quad \left[\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \sigma_{\tilde{b}\tilde{b}^{\dagger}} \nu \right\rangle \left(Y_{\tilde{b}}^{2} - Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}\,2}\right) + \left\langle \sigma_{\chi\tilde{b}} \nu \right\rangle \left(Y_{\chi}Y_{\tilde{b}} - Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}}Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}}\right) \\ &- \frac{\Gamma_{\chi \to \tilde{b}}}{s} \left(Y_{\chi} - Y_{\tilde{b}}\frac{Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}}}{Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}}}\right) + \frac{\Gamma_{\tilde{b}}}{s} \left(Y_{\tilde{b}} - Y_{\chi}\frac{Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}}}{Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}}}\right) \\ &- \left\langle \sigma_{\chi\chi \to \tilde{b}\tilde{b}^{\dagger}} \nu \right\rangle \left(Y_{\chi}^{2} - Y_{\tilde{b}}^{2}\frac{Y_{\chi}^{\mathrm{eq}\,2}}{Y_{\tilde{b}}^{\mathrm{eq}\,2}}\right) \right] \end{split}$$