

Minimal Asymmetric Dark Matter

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Motivation

How is dark matter produced in the early universe?

WIMP scenario:

Thermal freez-out of weakly interacting massive particle.

ADM scenario:

Asymmetry between DM particle χ and its antiparticle $\bar{\chi}$.

Relic density due to χ excess (similar to baryogenesis).

Usually requires new symmetries.

→ Minimal asymmetric dark matter (MADM):

use SM gauge symmetries to transfer asymmetry to multiplet DM

The MADM model

- Particle content: SM + $SU(2)_L$ multiplet χ
(c.f. Minimal Dark Matter [Cirelli, Fornengo, Strumia (2006)])
- Non-zero hypercharge y
- Not self-conjugate \rightarrow can carry asymmetry
- Neutral component with $t_3 = -y$ if isospin $t = y + k$,
for non-negative integer k
- Non-minimal multiplets for $k > 0$
- Neutral component has to be the lightest state
- Matter parity to stabilize χ

Asymmetry transfer

Transfer operator

$$\mathcal{O}^\phi = \frac{1}{\Lambda^{4y-x}} \chi \chi \phi^{4y}$$

$x = 1$ (2) if χ is fermion (boson)

The operator \mathcal{O}^ϕ plays two roles:

- At $T > T_{EW}$: Enforces chemical equilibrium between ϕ and χ , communicates asymmetry
- At $T < T_{EW}$: Generates mass splitting

$$\delta m_0^x = \frac{v^{4y}}{\Lambda^{4y-x}}$$

between the two real degrees of freedom $\chi_{1,2}^0$ of the neutral χ component

[Asymmetry transfer also possible via, e.g., $\frac{1}{\Lambda^{3y-x}} \chi \chi (e_R e_R)^y$.]

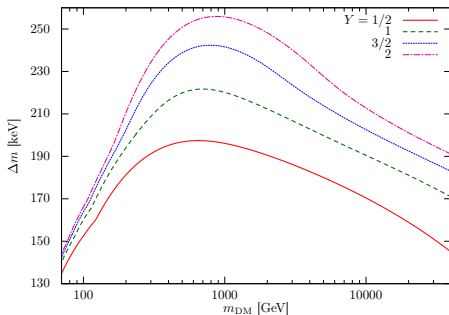
Mass splitting of χ^0

Consequences of splitting:

- χ_1^0 does not couple to Z boson
- Inelastic transition $\chi_1^0 \rightarrow \chi_2^0$ kinematically forbidden if

$$\delta m_0 = 2m_\chi \left(\frac{v}{\Lambda}\right)^{4y} \left(\frac{\Lambda}{2m_\chi}\right)^x \gtrsim \delta m^{\min}$$

- $\delta m^{\min} \sim (1 + 0.2y) \times 175 \text{ keV}$ for m_χ of order few TeV



[Nagata, Shirai (2015)]

Charged/neutral mass splitting

Two contributions to charged-neutral splitting:

Splitting from EW breaking

Breaking via $\mathcal{O}^{\vec{t}} = \lambda_v (\chi^\dagger \vec{t} \chi) (\phi^\dagger \frac{\vec{t}}{2} \phi)$,

$$\delta m^v = -(t_3 - t'_3) \frac{\lambda_v v^2}{4m_\chi} \approx -151 (t_3 - t'_3) \lambda_{0.02}^{1\text{TeV}} \text{ MeV}, \quad \lambda_{0.02}^{1\text{TeV}} = \frac{\lambda_v}{0.02} \frac{1\text{TeV}}{m_\chi}$$

and

Splitting from gauge boson loops

$$\begin{aligned} \delta m^{\alpha_2} &= \frac{\alpha_2}{2} (t_3 - t'_3) \left\{ (t_3 + t'_3) (M_W - c_W^2 M_Z) + 2y s_W^2 M_Z \right\} \\ &= 152 (t_3 - t'_3) \left\{ 1.1(t_3 + t'_3) + 4.6y \right\} \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$

Non-minimal DM neutral for $\lambda_{0.02}^{1\text{TeV}} = 2.5y \pm 1.1$

Timeline

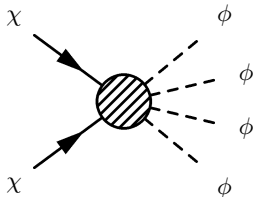
Steps required to produce DM:

- For $T \gg T_{EW}$ in-equilibrium reactions via \mathcal{O}^ϕ feed asymmetry between SM and χ sector
- At $T_a > T_{EW}$ chemical decoupling of χ , the asymmetry in the abundances $Y_{\Delta\chi} \equiv Y_\chi - Y_{\bar{\chi}}$ remains conserved ($T_a \sim \frac{m_\chi}{10}$)
- Symmetric component annihilates via $\chi\bar{\chi} \rightarrow SM$ until $T_s < T_a$ ($T_s \sim \frac{m_\chi}{25}$)
Asymmetric component can restart annihilation after EWPT $\rightarrow T_s > T_{EW}$.
 $Y_{\bar{\chi}} \ll Y_{\Delta\chi} \approx Y_\chi$ at $T_s \rightarrow$ relic abundance dominated by initial asymmetry.
- At $T \ll T_{EW}$ all χ components will decay to χ_1^0
- Present DM density is then

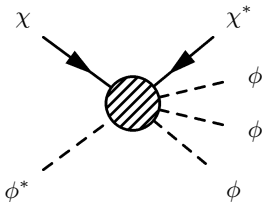
$$\rho_{DM} = s m_\chi Y_{\Delta\chi}$$

Chemical decoupling

Equilibrium via $\chi\chi \rightarrow \phi^{4y}$
(s-channel)



and $\chi\phi^* \rightarrow \chi^*\phi^{4y-1}$
(t-channel)



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Reaction rates

$$\Gamma_{\chi\chi} = n_{\chi}^0 \langle \sigma |v| \rangle_{\chi\chi}, \quad \Gamma_{\chi\phi} = n_{\phi}^0 \langle \sigma |v| \rangle_{\chi\phi}$$

$$\langle \sigma |v| \rangle_{\chi\chi} \sim \eta_{\text{PS}}^{(n)} m_{\chi}^{-2} \left(\frac{m_{\chi}}{\Lambda} \right)^{2(4y-x)},$$

$$\langle \sigma |v| \rangle_{\chi\phi} \sim \langle \sigma |v| \rangle_{\chi\chi} \left(\frac{T}{m_{\chi}} \right)^{4(2y-1)},$$

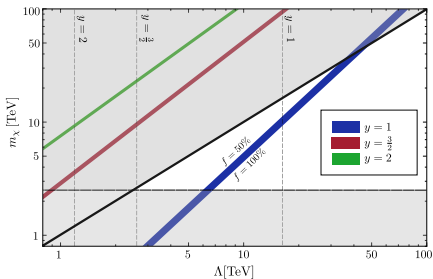
For $y > \frac{1}{2}$ the relevant contribution is $\Gamma_{\chi\chi}$ ($T_a \sim \frac{m_{\chi}}{10}$)

After decoupling ($\Gamma_{\chi\chi}, \Gamma_{\chi\phi} \lesssim H(T_a)$):

$$Y_{\Delta\chi} = -2y \frac{n_{\chi}^0}{n_{\phi}^0} Y_{\Delta\phi} \Big|_{T=T_a}$$

MADM with different hypercharge I

Fermions

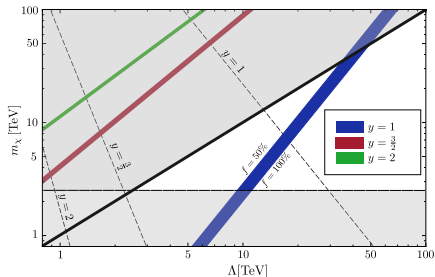


$$f = \Omega_\chi / \Omega_{\text{DM}}$$

- For $y = 1$: $\Lambda \lesssim 17 \text{ TeV}$ from DD constraints, and $m_\chi \lesssim 10 \text{ TeV}$ ($T_s \sim \frac{m_\chi}{25} \gtrsim T_{\text{EW}}$).
- $y = \frac{3}{2}$ and $y = 2$ the allowed bands are in the $m_\chi > \Lambda$ region \rightarrow effective theory breaks down
- For $y = \frac{1}{2}$:
DD limit: $\Lambda \lesssim 1.5 \times 10^5 \text{ TeV}$
correct abundance requires $\Lambda \gtrsim 4.1 \times 10^5 \left(\frac{T_a}{100 \text{ GeV}}\right)^{1/2} \text{ TeV}$.
 \rightarrow disagreement for $T_a > T_{\text{EW}}$
- Viable DM candidate for $y = 1$
 \rightarrow minimal choice is SU(2) triplet

MADM with different hypercharge II

Scalars



- Scalar multiplet with hypercharge $y = 1$ viable:

$$\Lambda \approx 18 \left(\frac{10}{z_a} \right)^{1/8} \text{ TeV}$$

$$\text{and } 2.5 \text{ TeV} \lesssim m_\chi \lesssim 6.7 \text{ TeV}$$

- Higher hypercharge
→ EFT breakdown
- For $y = 1/2$ transfer operator is renormalizable
DD limit $\frac{m_\chi}{\lambda} \lesssim 8 \times 10^4 \text{ TeV}$
Decoupling requires
 $\frac{m_\chi}{\lambda} \gtrsim 4.1 \times 10^5 \left(\frac{T_a}{100 \text{ TeV}} \right)^{1/2} \text{ TeV}$

Symmetric annihilation

Efficient $\chi\bar{\chi}$ annihilation \rightarrow symmetric component remains subdominant

$$\Omega_{\bar{\chi}} \ll \Omega_{\chi} \sim \Omega_{DM}$$

- Sizable suppression of symmetric relic density due to Sommerfeld enhancements
- $y = 1$ fermionic triplet relic density completely symmetric for $2.7 \text{ TeV} \lesssim m_{\chi} \lesssim 2.8 \text{ TeV}$
- relevant contribution from asymmetry marginally allowed
- $y = 1$ scalar triplets similar
- higher multiplets \rightarrow enhanced cross section \rightarrow larger masses required without asymmetry
- Thermally produced fermion quintuplet with $m_{\chi} \ll 10 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow$ contributes whole DM only with asymmetry

Phenomenological implications

Searches at colliders:

- LHC reach up to few hundred GeV \rightarrow too low for MADM
- Future e^+e^- and pp colliders probe multi TeV region only marginally

Direct detection:

- Z mediated interactions kinematically forbidden
- Loop level interactions with $\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-47}) \text{ cm}^2$ far below current bounds

Indirect detection:

- heavily depends on DM halo model
- Most relevant bounds from antiproton measurements and absence of γ -ray lines towards the galactic center
- $y = 0$ fermion triplet (wino-like) DM excluded for $1.8 \text{ TeV} \lesssim m_{\tilde{W}} \lesssim 3.5 \text{ TeV}$
- Similar expected for $y = 1$, since m_χ close to $M_W/\alpha_2 \sim 2.4 \text{ TeV}$

Conclusions

- Any new $SU(2)_L$ multiplet with $y \neq 0$ and in chemical equilibrium at $T > T_{EW}$ inherits asymmetry from SM sector
- Neutral component ADM candidate, if stable and lightest member
- Transfer operator:
 - enforces chemical equilibrium
 - mass splitting of neutral component, Z interactions kinematically forbidden
- Decoupling before EWPT
- Allows to exclude all MADM candidates except $y = 1$ scalar/fermion multiplets
- Minimal multiplets disfavoured by symmetric annihilation and indirect detection
- Quintuplets less constrained due to enhanced annihilation
- Relaxing minimality criteria can avoid constraints
(e.g. additional DM singlet as in Higgsogenesis [[Servant, Tulin \(2013\)](#)])