Probing interacting dark sectors with cosmology

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Dark Matter

Galactic (rotation curves) [kpc]

Freeman, Rubin, Ford,... 1970s

e.g. Genzel et al Nature 543 (2017) 397

Galaxy clusters [Mpc]

Fritz Zwicky 1933

Bullet Cluster, Clowe et al AJ 648 (2006) L109

 Cosmic microwave background (CMB)/large-scale structure (LSS) [100 Mpc – Gpc]

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \Omega_{DM} h^2 & = & \frac{\rho_{DM}}{10.50 \, {\rm GeV/m^3}} \\ & = & 0.120 \pm 0.001 \end{array}$$

Planck Mission (ESA) 1807.06209 SDSS/BOSS 1909.11006, DESI 2404.03002 2411.12022







Balazs et al 2411.05062



Production mechanism?

Is DM cold and collisionless?

What is the Dark Sector?



The Waning of the WIMP: Endgame?

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New Physics in the Dark Sector?







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Kuhlen, Vogelsberger, Angulo 1209.5745

$$\delta(\mathbf{x}, z) =
ho(\mathbf{x}, z)/ar{
ho}(z) - 1$$

 $\langle \delta(\mathbf{k}, z) \delta(\mathbf{k}', z)
angle = \delta_D(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}') P(k, z)$
 $\Delta^2(k, z) = 4\pi k^3 P(k, z)$







DESI Arizona (yr1 results 2024)



DESI one-year data 2404.03002



DESI, from O. Lahav

DESI 2024 VII: Cosmological Constraints from the Full-Shape Modeling of Clustering Measurements arXiv:2411.12022



H_0 ?





Riess et al 2408.11770

Freedman et al 2408.06153

Sytematics or Beyond-ACDM Physics?

Indirect measurements set by the ratio of the sound horizon at recombination, and the angular diameter distance

$$\begin{array}{lll} r_s(z_{rec}) & = & \int_{z_{rec}}^{\infty} dz' \frac{c_s(z')}{H(z')} \propto 1/\sqrt{\rho_{\mathsf{total}}(z \sim z_{rec})} \,, \\ d_A(z_{obs}) & = & \int_0^{z_{obs}} dz' \frac{1}{H(z')} \propto 1/H_0 \end{array}$$

Increasing the inferred value of H₀ from CMB and galaxy surveys (BAO) requires to lower the sound horizon, e.g. via additional (dark sector) energy around recombination

[.. and changing ω_m , ..., see e.g. Poulin et al 2407.18292]

Extra (self-interacting) dark radiation?





Rompineve, Hertzberg, Poulin, Simon, Schöneberg ...

Extra (early) dark energy?



Poulin, Smith, Karwal, Kamionkowski 18,...





Poulin, Smith, Karwal, Kamionkowski 18

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Vey (4, X) 7=72 Φ



cold NEDE

hot NEDE (this talk)

Niedermann, Sloth 19+

Niedermann, Sloth 21

MG, Niedermann, Rubira, Sloth 24

New Physics in the Dark Sector?



Example: weakly coupled non-Abelian gauge symmetry with dark Higgs

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + (D_{\mu}\phi)^{\dagger}D^{\mu}\phi - \mu^{2}\phi^{\dagger}\phi - rac{\lambda}{4}(\phi^{\dagger}\phi)^{2} - rac{1}{4}F^{\mu
u}_{a}F^{a}_{\mu
u}F^{a}_{\mu
u}$$

• Dark gauge bosons $A^{\mu}_{a} = \text{dark radiation DR}$

• Dark Higgs $\phi = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N)^T$ leads to spont. symmetry breaking

$$SU(N) \rightarrow SU(N-1)$$

Parameters: $\alpha_d \equiv \frac{g_d^2}{4\pi}, \mu^2, \lambda, \xi \equiv \frac{T_{DR}}{T_{SM}}$

Assume Debye length $\sim 1/(g_d\,T_{DR}) \ll$ confinement length scale $1/\Lambda_c \propto e^{-1/g^2}$

(similar to quark-gluon plasma phase in QCD at high-T)

Coleman-Weinberg mechanism for classically scale-inv. theory with VEV $\langle \phi \rangle = (0, .., 0, v)^T$ generated by dimensional transmutation

$$\lambda(\mu_{\overline{MS}} = v) = \mathcal{O}(g_d^4)$$

Light Higgs compared to dark gauge bosons that acquire mass $m_A \sim g_d v$

$$rac{m_{\phi}}{m_A} \sim \mathcal{O}(g_d)$$

Coleman, E. Weinberg 73

Can allow for soft breaking of class. scale inv. by mass term in Higgs potential as long as

$$\gamma \equiv rac{|\mu^2|}{g_d^4 v^2} \ll 1$$

 \Rightarrow Parameters: $\alpha_d \equiv rac{g_d^2}{4\pi}, v^2, \gamma, \xi \equiv rac{T_{DR}}{T_{SM}}$

Symm. breaking via supercooled phase transition at $z = z_*$

$$\Delta V = V_{CW}(0) - V_{CW}(v) \sim g_d^4 v^4 \gg T_{DR}(z_*)^4$$

Witten 1981

Transition temperature* (unless for exp. small γ)

 $T_{DR}(z_*)\sim \sqrt{\gamma}g_dv$

(*) small negative μ^2 -term; barrier in eff. pot. vanishes at z_*

- $z>z_*\,$ Vacuum energy $\Delta V=$ "early dark energy"
- $z < z_*$ Thermalization heats dark sector (DR = remaining massless SU(N-1) gauge bosons and light Higgs)

 \Rightarrow increase of $\Delta N_{
m eff} \propto \Delta V$ at $z=z_{*}$

 $z < z_t$ Mass threshold of light Higgs leads to further (small) increase at

$$z_t \sim z_* rac{m_\phi}{m_A} \sim g_d z_*$$

analogous to step model, see Schmaltz, Weiner, Joseph, Aloni, Allali Rompineve, Hertzberg, Poulin, Simon, Schöneberg ...

In summary: two "steps" in $\Delta N_{
m eff}$ at z_* and $z_t \sim g_d z_*$



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	Base + BBN					$+ H_0$					/0 ^{H0}
	H_0	$\Delta N_{\rm IR}$	χ^2	$\Delta \chi^2$	ΔAIC	H_0	$\Delta N_{\rm IR}$	χ^2	$\Delta \chi^2$	ΔAIC	V QDMAP
ΛCDM	68.13 ± 0.42	-	3810.5	-	-	68.81 ± 0.39	-	3829.7	-	-	4.3σ
SIDR	$68.77^{+0.52}_{-0.73}$	$0.094^{+0.024}_{-0.093}$	3810.5^{a}	0.0	2.0	70.37 ± 0.72	0.27 ± 0.10	3825.7	-4.0	-2.0	3.9σ
Hot NEDE	$69.13^{+0.62}_{-1.0}$	$0.151^{+0.041}_{-0.15}$	3810.4	-0.1	1.9	71.17 ± 0.83	0.42 ± 0.13	3818.3	-11.4	-9.4	2.8σ

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image: Dodelson, Modern Cosmology



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 \Rightarrow suppression of P(k) over wide range of scales (ETHOS n = 0)

(note: different for Abelian (dark photon) or contact interaction)

Moore, Teaney hep-ph/0412346; Buen-Abad, Lesgourgues, Marquez-Tavarez, Schmaltz 1505.03542, 1507.04351; Cyr-Racine, Sigurdson, Zavala, Bringmann, Vogelsberger 1512.05344; ...; Rubira, Mazoun, MG 2209.03974



• Dark sector temperature $\xi = T_{DR}/T_{\gamma}$: scale of suppression

DM+DR interaction strength: amount of suppression

fig. from Mazoun, Bocquet, MG, Mohr, Rubira, Vogt 2312.17622



cf. also Euclid weak lensing shear forecast Euclid coll. 2406.18274

21cm forecast Plombat, Simon, Flitter, Poulin 2410.01486

Simon++, Joseph++

Chacko++, Rompineve+

dark SU(N), *m*_x=1000 GeV, N=3, f=100%



Rubira, Mazoun, MG 2209.03974



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