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Light Thermal Dark Matter and MeV Gamma-ray Detection arXiv:2410:xxxxx

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90 orders of magnitudes…

DM candidates Mass range spans almost

- Def: Experienced equilibrium with SM particles in the early universe. Motivation: • Free from the initial condition problem of the DM density today. • ∃Various candidates, and one of the most attractive candidate is the thermal DM.
	- Detectable based on the interaction dependable on maintaining equilibrium.
	- DM density today can be from the freeze-out mechanism.

Motivation of light thermal DM

m_{DM} Hermal DM WIMP

• From the COSI view point, it is important to study light thermal DM complehensively and

- WIMP has been intensively searched for due to the 'WIMP miracle' and the connection to the EWSB (SUSY, UED, Little Higgs), however not found.
- Different mass region, light and heavy thermal DMs, are getting more attention.
- Many experiments are being planned to search for the light thermal DM.
- The light thermal DM is expected to produces MeV γ -ray signal, and the COSI has a chance to detect the signal.
- figure out whether the COSI can prove them.

- \bullet What model is favored with the minimlaity, renormalizability and Z_2 symmetry?
- DM should be singlet under SM gauge group. (Relic abundance)
- Minimal model (SM + scalar DM: Higgs portal) was already excluded.
- Next minimal model is SM + DM + mediator.
- We consider the extention of SM with singlet DM and singlet mediator, where DM $(m_{\rm DM} \lesssim$ 100 MeV) is a scalar or fermion and the mediator is a scalar or vector. We consider the dark photon and $U(1)_B$ boson scenarios for the vector mediator.
- We name these models as:

• We investigated all the models to figure out viable model parameter regions.

Light thermal DM models

Constraint on ⟨*σv*⟩ **from CMB**

- not observed, resulting in $\langle \sigma v \rangle \lesssim 10^{-27} \text{cm}^3/\text{s}$ ($\text{m}_{\text{DM}}/\text{GeV}$) @ recommbination
- \leftrightarrow relic abundance: $\langle \sigma v \rangle \approx 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3/\text{s}$ @ freeze-out.
- Simple s-wave annihilaltion is not good.
- Several mechanisms can be utilized to overcome this.
	- Annihilations into harmless particles (neutrino)
	- Different proceses (Co-annihilation, SIMP, ADM….)
	- Non-standard cosmology (late-time inflation)
	- Velocity-dependent annihilation
- We focus on the last one.

• DM annihilations into primordial plasma may modify the anisotropy of the CMB, which is

∃**velocity-dependent annihilation?**

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- ∃ many constraints... We implemented all the constraints.
- CMB
	- Constraint on ⟨*σv*⟩
	- Relic abundance
	- Constraint on m_{DM} asymmetrical entropy injection into EM-plasma and ν alters expansion rate of universe. $m_{\text{DM}} \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ MeV}$
- BBN
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	- element abundances. $m_{\rm DM} \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(0.1)\,\rm{MeV}$
- Lyman *α*
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• Constraint on $\langle \sigma v \rangle$: Photons emitted by DM annihilations may destroy the light elements. Deutrium abundance results in $\langle \sigma v \rangle \lesssim 10^{-24}$ cm³/s ($m_{\rm DM} \gtrsim 2$ MeV) @ $T_v \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ keV. • Constraint on $m_{\rm DM}$: Light thermal particle affects $T_{\gamma(\nu)}$ and the expansion rate, then light $\langle \sigma v \rangle \lesssim 10^{-24}$ cm³/s ($m_{DM} \gtrsim 2$ MeV) ωT_{γ} $\thicksim \mathcal{O}(1)$

• Late kinetic decoupling of DM suppresses the structure formation,resulting in $T_{\rm kd} \gtrsim 200$ eV.

Constraints from cosmology

● ∃3 types of DM-SM interaction, and ∃appropriate searching strategy for each.

- Traditional experiments (Xenon, etc.) lose the sensitivity for the light DM, as the recoil energy is small then falls below the detector threshold.
- Several strategy are being considered to overcome this: detector with low threshold, Migdal effect, electron scattering.

Direct detection (Observation of DM-SM scatterings at underground laboratories)

Accelerator (Production of DM by high energy SM particles collisions)

- Emany constraints from accelerator experiments.
- 3many types (collider, fixed target, beam dump) and accelarating SM particles (e and p).
- 3many signals (Higgs invisible decay, MED production (invisible decay, visivle decay)).

- DM can produce cosmic-ray and y-ray.
- Cosmic-ray is the low energy e^{\pm} , which cannot enter the heliosphere by the solar magnetic field. Only Voyager I can detect this.
- γ-ray has energy of MeV. This is known to be difficult to detect ('MeV gap'), resulting in usage of only old experiments (COMPTEL, INTEGRAL).
- We assume NFW profile considering these uncertainties at 2σ.
- COSI(2 years observations of the GC (| θ | < 20°)) improves sensitivity by several orders of magnitude.

surviving from all mentioned constraints and conditions. 8/18

Indirect detection (Observation of SM particles produced by DM annihilations in the universe)

Ex. Forbidden DM

- As an example, we consider SS model, whose Lagrangian is following.
- MED mixes with Higgs and behaves as a light Higgs boson. ∃interactions among DM, MED, Higgs.
- annihilates into a pair of MED. MED subsequently decays into SM particles.

We find out viable parameter region and compare its prediction of the MeV γ -ray **signal to the COSI sensitivities.**

• We parametrize $m_{DM} \lesssim m_{\text{MED}} \equiv m_{DM}(1 + v_{th}^2/8)$. DM with v_{DM} >(<) v_{th} can(cannot)

Prediction of SS-F model

- COSI is expected to detect continuum $γ$ -ray.
- COSI may probe line γ -ray with a more cuspy DM density profile.
- \bullet Direct detection is not effective due to the tiny y_e .
- Future accelerator KLEVER can detect some parameters.

S-channel (visible)~ p-wave+resonance

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- MED mixes with Z boson. DM annihilates into ee via MED in s-channel.
- approaching the resonance, with cutoff, $\sqrt{\delta}$.

We find out viable parameter region and compare its prediction of the MeV γ -ray **signal to the COSI sensitivities.**

• As an example, we consider SV(DP) model, whose Lagrangian are following.

• We parametrize $2m_{DM} \ge m_{MED} \equiv 2m_{DM}(1-\delta/8)$. As v_{DM} decrease, $\langle \sigma v \rangle$ enhances

- COSI is expected to detect continuum $γ$ -ray.
- No γγ ∵ vector mediator
- Future direct detections have the potential to detect some points.
- Future accelerator can detect almost all of the parameters.

Prediction of SV(DP)-R(vis) model

S-channel (invisible)

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\mathcal{L} \supseteq \mathcal{L}_{SM} + |(\partial_{\mu} + i g_V q_{\varphi} V_{\mu}) \varphi|^2 - m_{\varphi}^2 |\varphi|^2 - g_V
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- \frac{1}{4} (V_{\mu\nu})^2 + \frac{1}{2} M_V^2 (V_{\mu})^2 - \frac{\xi}{2} V_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}
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- As an example, we consider SV(DP) model, whose Lagrangian are following.
- MED mixes with Z boson. DM annihilates into ee via MED in s-channel.
- resonance.

• We parametrize $2m_{DM} \le m_{MED} \equiv 2m_{DM}(1+v_R^2/8)$. At $v_{DM} = v_{th}$, the annihilation the

- COSI is expected to detect continuum $γ$ -ray.
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- Future accelerator can detect visible mediator.
- Future accelerator cannot detect invisible mediator.

Prediction of SV(DP)-R(inv) model

• Direct detection is not effective due to the suppression of t,u-channel diagrams.

S-channel(invisible)

- We consider $SV(U(1)_B)$ model, which is similar to the SV(DP) model. • Charge asignments are $q_l = 0$, $q_q = 1/3$. • Strong line signal is expected by the $\pi^0\gamma$ annihilation mode.
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- COSI cannot efficiently detect continuum *γ*-ray.
- COSI is expected to detect also line γ -ray in $\pi^0\gamma$ modes.
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- Future accelerator KLEVER can detect some points.

- Direct detection Accelerator
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• Direct detection is not effective due to the suppression of t,u-channel diagrams.

Prediction of SV(U(1)_R)-R(inv) model

• Indirect detection (continuum)

• Indirect detection (line)

Summary

- **Light Thermal DM** is getting more and more attention. Many experiments are being
- and resonance) are viable.
- We for the first time calculated the sensitivities and detectability of these regions.

planed to search for them, and **COSI** is the only approved indirect detection experiments. • We for the first time consider all possible light thermal DM models. EMany constraints different from WIMP case, and only regions with velocity dependent $\langle \sigma v \rangle$ (Bulk, forbidden

○ 3 surviving parameters

- \bigcirc COSI can detect continuum γ-ray
	- COSI can detect continuum and line *γ*-ray

