

Hidden vector Dark Matter

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Dark Matter: Evidences

↪ Existence of a neutral stable massive particle:

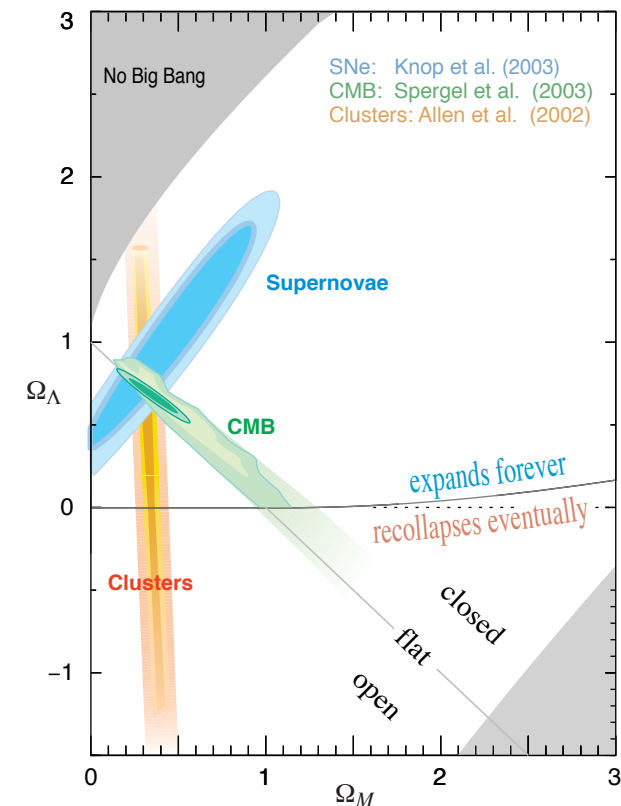
-At galactic scale: velocity distribution of stars

-At galaxy cluster scale: -velocity distribution of galaxies
-bullet cluster

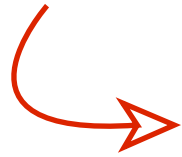
-At cosmological scales: CMB data (WMAP),
supernovae,....

↪ lead consistently to:

$$\underline{\Omega_{DM} = 0.20 \pm 0.03}$$



Dark Matter: 3 main questions



-Nature of DM?

-At which scale?

-Why is it stable?

Dark Matter: WIMP mechanism

Relic density from annihilation freeze out:

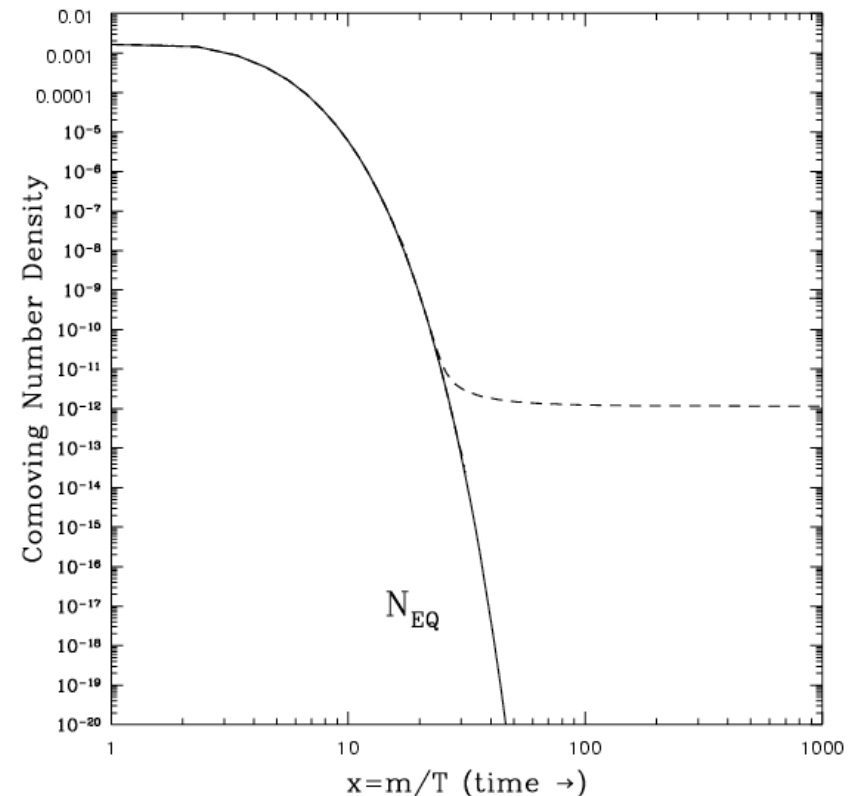
- Down to $T \sim m_{DM}$, DM is in thermal equilibrium: $n_{DM} \simeq n_{DM}^{Eq}$
- For $T < m_{DM}$: $n_{DM} \propto e^{-m_{DM}/T}$ ← Boltzmann suppression

freeze out of the annihilation at $T = T_f$

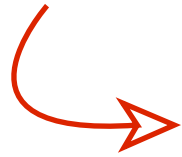
$$\Omega_{DM}(T < T_f) \simeq \Omega_{DM}(T = T_f) \propto \frac{1}{\sigma_{annih.}(T = T_f)}$$

$$\underline{\sigma_{annih.} v_r \simeq 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}}$$

⇒ If $\sigma_{annih.} \simeq g^4/m_{DM}^2$ and $g \sim 0.1 - 1$
one needs $m_{DM} \sim 1 \text{ GeV} - 10 \text{ TeV}$



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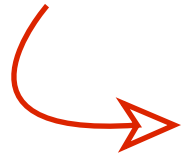


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MSSM:


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 well motivated: superpartner

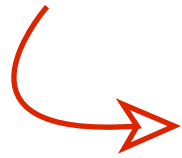
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 well motivated: hierarchy problem...

-Why is it stable?

 not that well motivated:
R-parity put by hand (even if motivated by proton decay)

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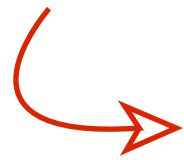
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in contrast with all known stable particles which are stable due to a fundamental reason:

- γ : because massless (due to gauge symmetry)
- lightest ν : because lightest fermion (Lorentz sym.)
- e^- : because lightest charged particle under exact $U(1)_{em}$
- p^+ : accidental sym. due to gauge SM sym. and particle content

Justifying DM stability from gauge sym. and particle content

→ starting point of this talk

Known examples:

- R-parity as remnant of gauge $U(1)_{B-L}$
- $SU(2)_L$ fermion quintuplet or scalar sevenplet: no possible interaction with SM fields causing its decay with $\dim < 6$
⇒ lifetime larger than universe age if $\Lambda \sim M_{GUT}$

Cirelli, Fornengo, Strumia '06

- fermion SM singlet charged under a $U(1)$
(with additional scalar to break it)

Pospelov, Ritz, Voloshin '06

→ in all cases the stability is insured by a remnant Z_2

→ could we have other kinds of global symmetries???

Custodial symmetry \Rightarrow DM stability

\hookrightarrow simplest example: a gauged SU(2) + a scalar doublet ϕ

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu a} F_{\mu\nu}^a + (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger (D_\mu \phi) - \mu_\phi^2 \phi^\dagger \phi - \lambda_\phi (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2$$



ϕ gets a vev v_ϕ

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ (\eta + ia_0 + v_\phi)/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow spectrum: - 3 degenerate massive gauge bosons V_i : $m_V = \frac{g_\phi v_\phi}{2}$
 - one real scalar η : $m_\eta = \sqrt{2\lambda_\phi} v_\phi$

This lagrangian has a custodial symmetry $SU(2)_C$ or equivalently a $SO(3)_C$: $(V_1^\mu, V_2^\mu, V_3^\mu) =$ triplet and $\eta =$ singlet


\Rightarrow the 3 V_i are stable! $\leftarrow V_i \rightarrow \eta\eta, \dots$ forbidden

\hookrightarrow but obviously this cannot work in the SM \leftarrow ($SU(2)_C$ associated to $SU(2)_L$ is broken by Yukawa's and θ_W)

Hidden sector through the Higgs portal

 $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \mathcal{L}_{Hidden\ Sector} + \mathcal{L}_{Higgs\ portal}$

$\mathcal{L}_{Hidden\ Sector} = -\frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu a} F_{\mu\nu}^a + (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger (D_\mu \phi) - \mu_\phi^2 \phi^\dagger \phi - \lambda_\phi (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2$



$\mathcal{L}_{Higgs\ portal} = -\lambda_m \phi^\dagger \phi H^\dagger H$


 $\ni -\lambda_m v_\phi v h \eta \rightarrow \underline{h - \eta\ mixing}$



doesn't spoil the stability of the V_i^μ

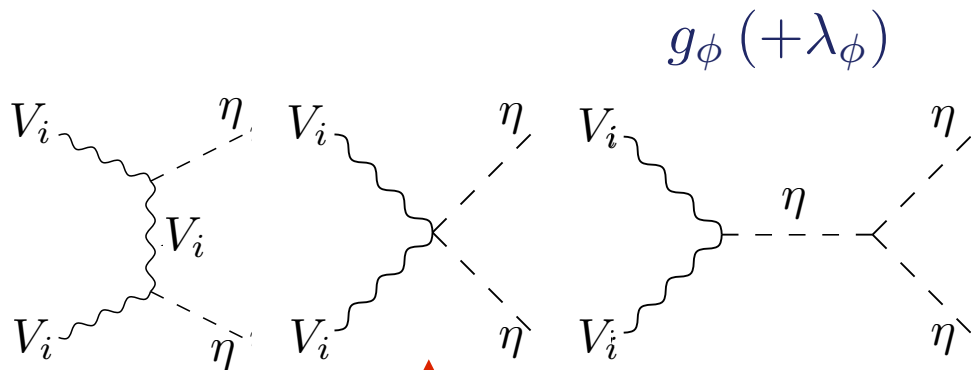
Relic density

- $T \gtrsim m_V : V_{1,2,3}^\mu$ in thermal equilibrium with SM thermal bath


 η with h : due to λ_m coupling
 V_i with η : due to g_ϕ coupling

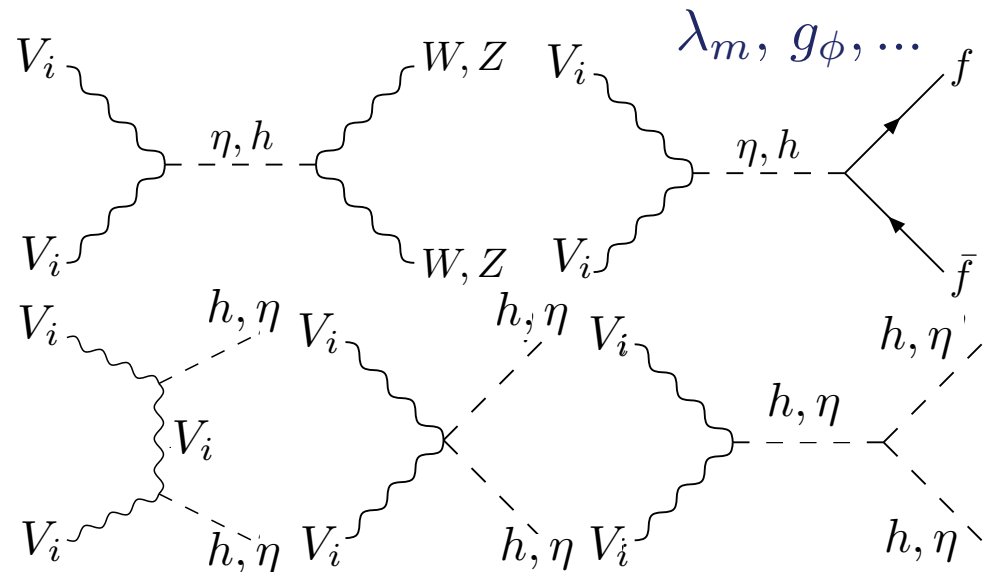
- $T < m_V : n_V^{eq.} \sim e^{-m_V/T} \Rightarrow$ annihilation freeze out (WIMP)

to two real η :



with subsequent decay of η to SM particles via $h - \eta$ mixing

with at least one SM part. in final state:



Relic density: additional new type of contribution

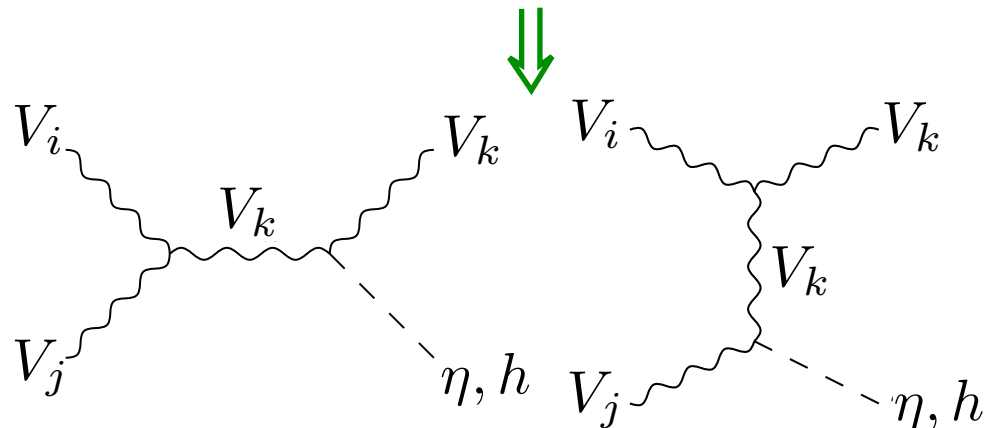
→ non abelian trilinear gauge couplings:

$$F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{\mu\nu a} \ni \varepsilon_{ijk} \partial_\mu A_{i\nu} (A_j^\mu A_k^\nu - A_j^\nu A_k^\mu)$$

do not lead to any V_i decay even if trilinear (carries 3 \neq indices)

but induces two DM to one DM particle annihilation

\neq from the Z_2 case



⇒ no dramatic effect for the freeze out (same order as other diagrams)

Small Higgs portal regime

$\lambda_m \lesssim 10^{-3}$ (but larger than $\sim 10^{-7}$ to have thermalization with the SM bath)

$V_i V_i \rightarrow \eta\eta, V_i V_j \rightarrow V_k \eta$ dominant

depend only on $g_\phi, v_\phi, \lambda_\phi$ with $m_V = \frac{g_\phi v_\phi}{2}, m_\eta \simeq \sqrt{2\lambda_\phi} v_\phi$

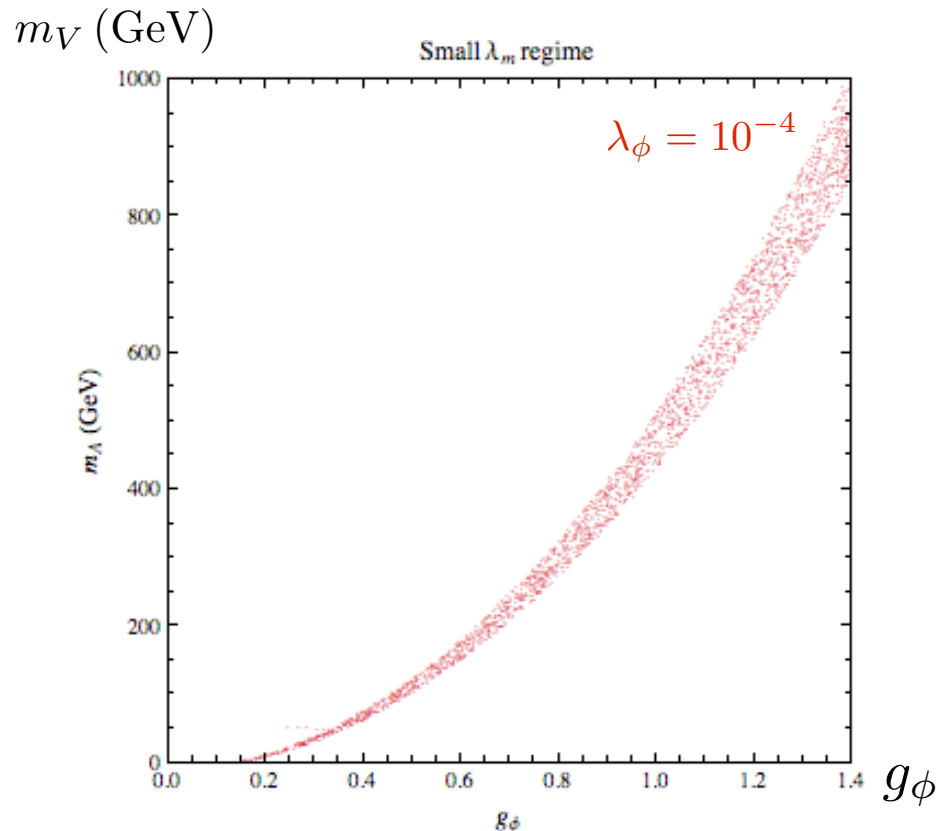
\Rightarrow if λ_ϕ also small:

$$\sigma_{\text{annih.}} \sim \frac{g_\phi^4}{m_V^2} \sim \frac{g_\phi^2}{v_\phi^2}$$



$$m_V \propto g_\phi^2 \quad (\propto v_\phi^2)$$

$\Rightarrow 1 \text{ MeV} \lesssim m_{DM} \lesssim 50 \text{ TeV}$



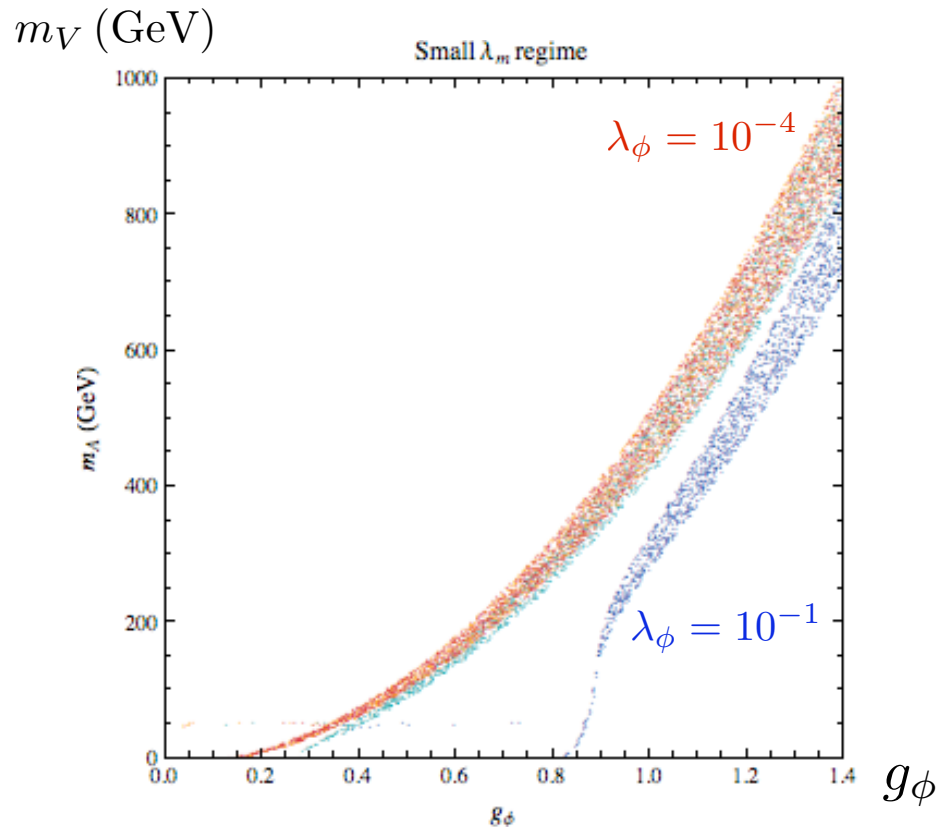
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⇒ if λ_ϕ large:



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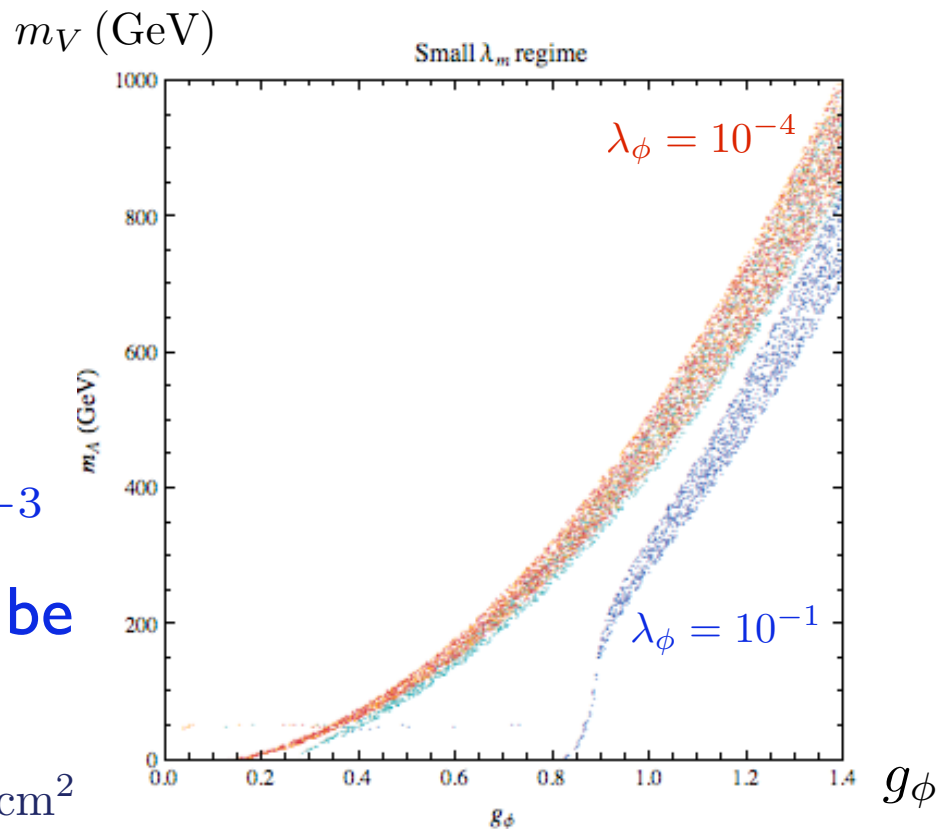
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\Rightarrow works very fine but difficult to test (if λ_m tiny)

\rightarrow but for example for $\lambda_m = 10^{-3}$ the direct detection rate can be of order the experim. bound

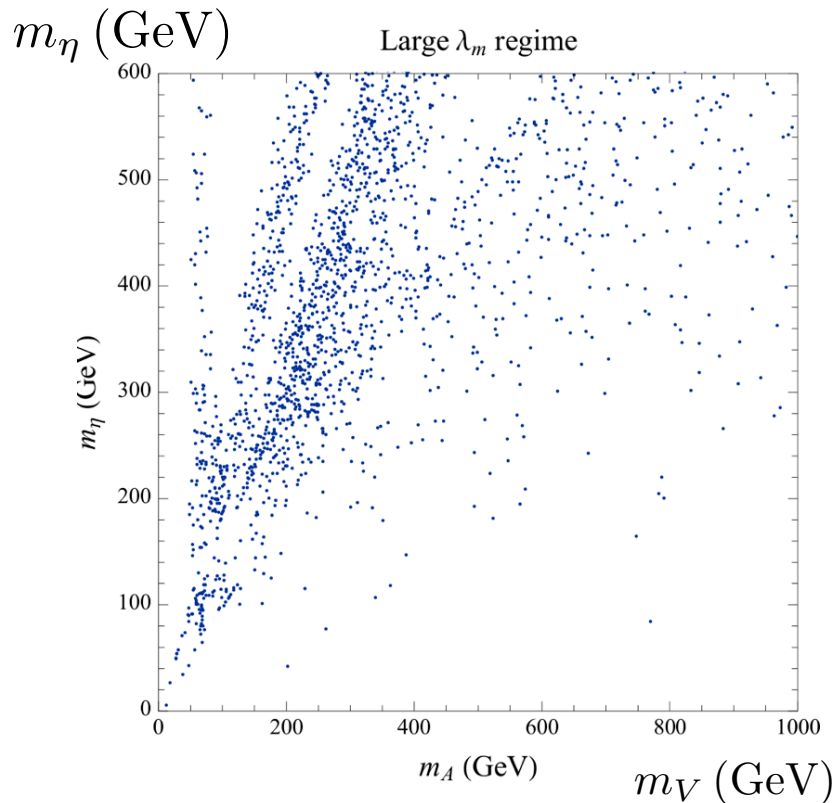
$\rightarrow \sigma(VN \rightarrow VN) \sim 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2$



Large Higgs portal regime

$\lambda_m \gtrsim 10^{-3} \Rightarrow$ large $\eta - h$ mixing \Rightarrow large hidden sector - SM mixing

\Rightarrow can lead to the right Ω_{DM} even for maximal mixing



production at LHC of η just as for the Higgs in the SM but with possibly a larger mass



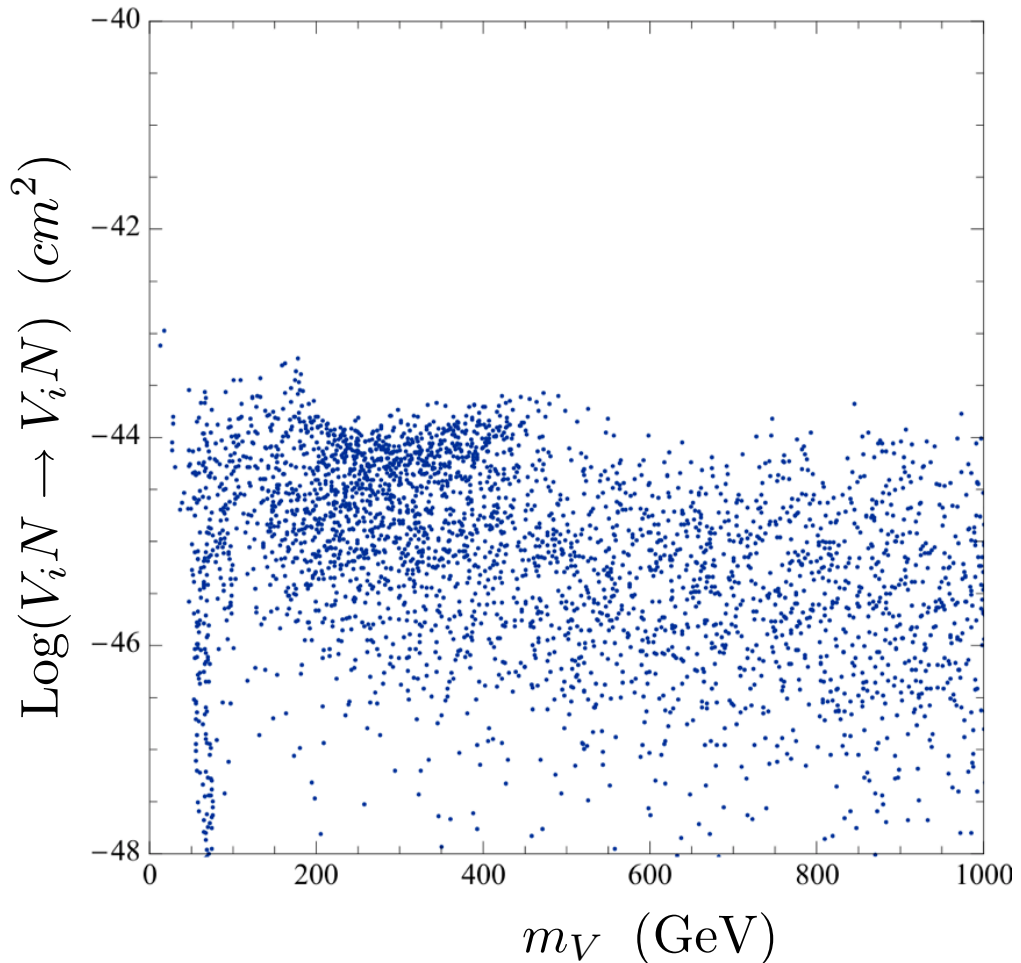
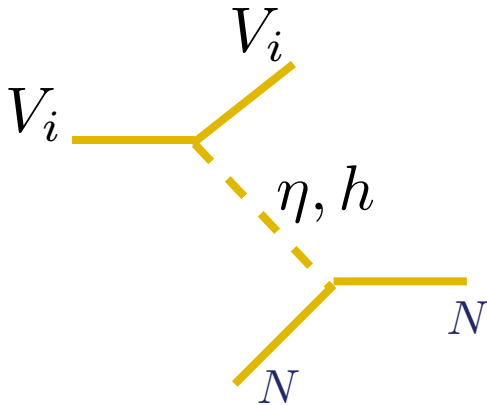
T parameter constraint:

if $m_\eta = m_h \Rightarrow m_h = m_\eta < 154 \text{ GeV} (3\sigma)$

if $m_h = 120 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow m_\eta < \sim 240 \text{ GeV} (3\sigma)$

\Rightarrow or larger if non maximal mixing

Large Higgs portal regime: direct detection



- ⇒ can saturate the experimental bound for $m_V \lesssim 300$ GeV
- ⇒ large Higgs portal regime: very rich phenomenology

Pamela???

→ observed excess of 10-100 GeV cosmic positrons

→ requires an annihilation to positron: $\sigma v_r \simeq 3 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$

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$\sigma_{\text{annih.}} v_r \simeq 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$

→ to get the right Ω_{DM}

⇒ need for a $10^3 - 10^4$ boost of positron production: unlikely (⇒ pulsars??)

→ but if one tries: - astrophysics: a factor 10 boost at most

- particle physics: Sommerfeld enhancement

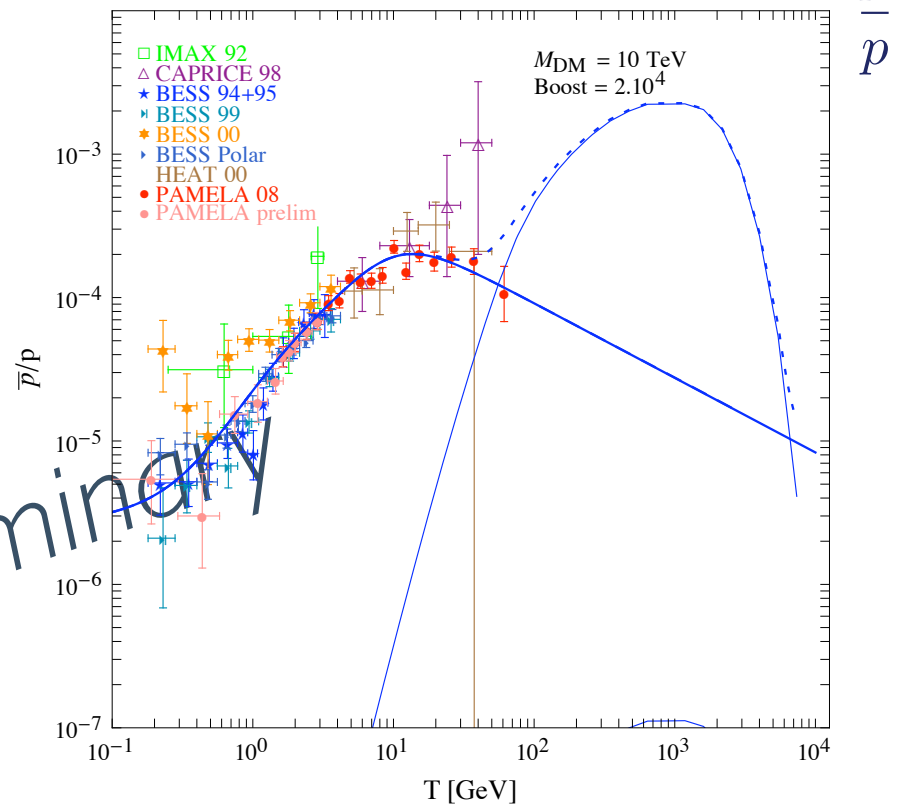
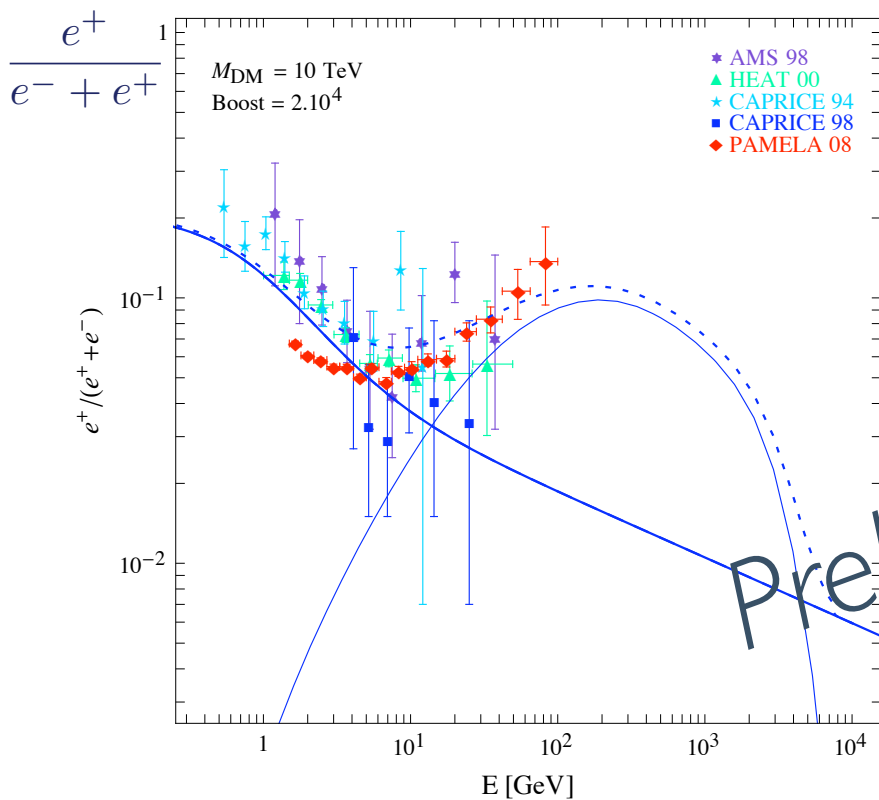
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from attractive long range force

First step: if boost large enough can we reproduce the Pamela spectrum?

yes easily: one example:

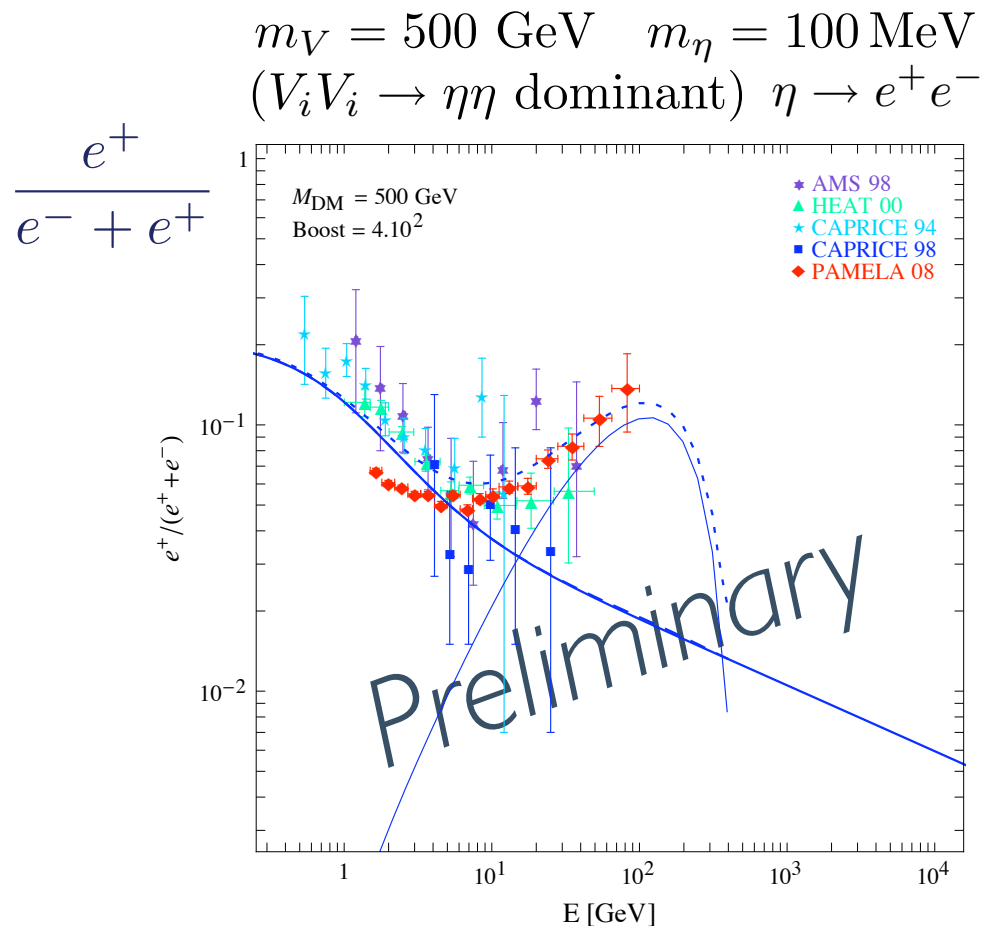
$$m_V = 10 \text{ TeV} \quad (V_i V_i \rightarrow \eta\eta \text{ dominant})$$



thanks to Gilles Vertongen

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yes easily: 2nd example:

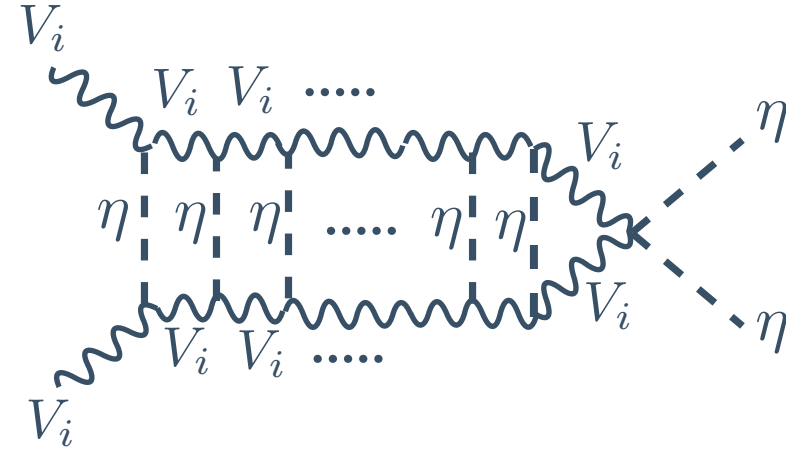


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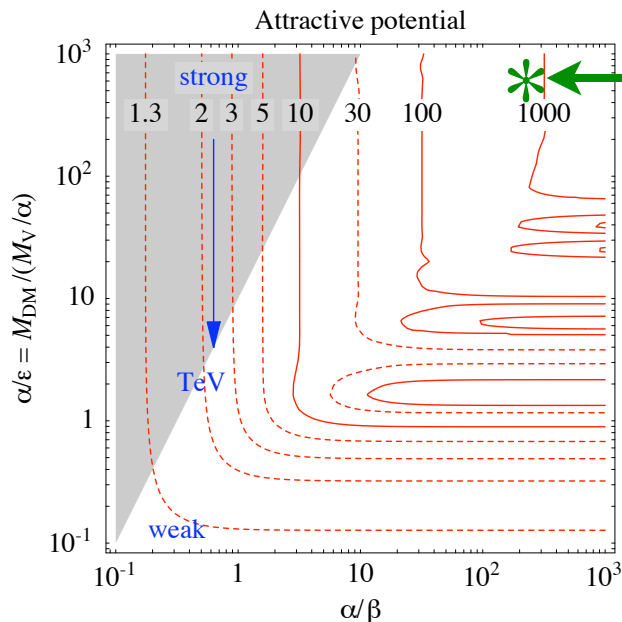
Second step: can we get a large enough Sommerfeld boost?

η mediated between 2 V_i is attractive:

Sommerfeld boost



Cirelli, Strumia, Tamburini '07



where we are for example with:
 $m_V = 500 \text{ GeV}$, $m_\eta = 100 \text{ MeV}$

(in agreement with Ω_{DM} which fixes the Sommerfeld coupling)

⇒ apparently the boost is large enough

explicit realization of Arkani-Hamed, Weiner et al mechanism

What about the non-perturbative regime of this model?

T.H., M. Tytgat, arXiv:0902?

→ $SU(2)_{\text{Hidden Sect.}}$ confines automatically if $\Lambda_{SU(2)} \gg v_\phi$

↓ ↓
dynamical perturbative
scale breaking scale

→ but the custodial symmetry remains exact in this case too

't Hooft '98

⇒ ϕ confines: boundstates are eigenstates of the custodial sym.:

- scalar state: $S \equiv \phi^\dagger \phi$ singlet of $SO(3)$ expected the lightest

- “charged” vector state: $V_\mu^+ \equiv \phi^\dagger D_\mu \tilde{\phi}$

$V_\mu^- \equiv \tilde{\phi}^\dagger D_\mu \phi$

- “neutral” vector state: $V_\mu^0 \equiv \frac{\phi^\dagger D_\mu \phi - \tilde{\phi}^\dagger D_\mu \tilde{\phi}}{\sqrt{2}}$

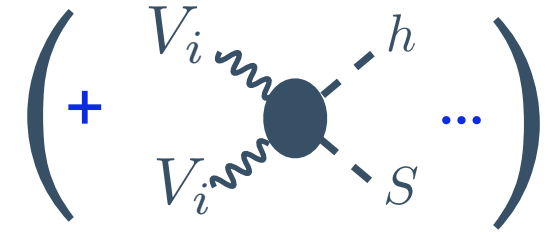
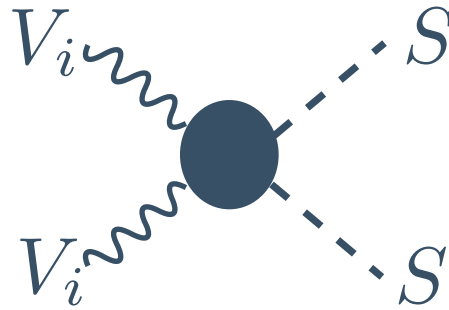
} $SO(3)$ triplet
↓ ↓
stable DM candidates!

Relic density in the confined regime

strongly interactive massive particle (SIMP)

annihilation cross section cannot be calculated perturbatively

expected dominant channel:



if $S - h$ mixing is large (for large λ_m)

$$\sigma_{annih.} \sim \frac{A}{\Lambda_{SU(2)}^2} \xrightarrow{A = 10 - 50} \underline{m_{DM} \simeq 20 - 200 \text{ TeV}}$$

confining non-abelian hidden sector coupled to the SM through the Higgs portal: perfectly viable DM candidate

Higher dimensional operator effects

no possible dim-5 (gauge invar.) operators destabilizing the vector DM particles: only dim-6 operators

$$\Downarrow$$
$$\frac{D^\mu \phi^\dagger F_{\mu\nu} D^\nu \phi}{\Lambda^2}, \dots$$

\Rightarrow for $m_V \simeq 1 \text{ TeV}$ it leads to $\tau_V > \tau_{\text{Universe}}$ for $\Lambda \gtrsim 10^{13} \text{ GeV}$
 $m_V \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}$ $\Lambda \gtrsim 10^9 \text{ GeV}$

Summary

If one tries to justify DM stability from gauge symmetry and particle content (as in the SM) a very simple non Z_2 possibility which emerges is by means of the custodial symmetry:

a hidden sector non-abelian gauge field with a scalar in the fundamental

← communicating with the SM through the Higgs portal

⇒ viable DM candidate within a large parameter range

↳ either in the perturbative regime: DM = gauge bosons

$$1 \text{ MeV} \lesssim m_{DM} \lesssim 50 \text{ TeV}$$

↳ or in the confined regime: DM = vector boundstate in the adjoint

$$m_{DM} \simeq 20 - 200 \text{ TeV}$$

⇒ rich phenomenology: direct detection, LHC (if $h - \eta$ mixing large), Pamela,...

Large λ_m regime

