Particle Physics: Hints from Cosmology

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COSMOLOGY

• Consistent picture of present and early Universe

 But to large extent orthogonal to existing knowledge in particle physics

Major problems with the Standard Model:

Dark Matter and Baryon Asymmetry of the Universe

Dark matter:

"Seen" in galxies, galaxy clusters

Has strong effect on Cosmic Microwave Background anisotropies

Bottom line

 $\rho_{DM} = (0.2 - 0.25) \cdot \rho_{total}$

Dark matter absolutely crucial for structure formation

CMB anisotropies: baryon density perturbations at recombination, T = 3000 K

$$\delta_B \equiv \left(\frac{\delta \rho_B}{\rho_B}\right)_{rec} \simeq \left(\frac{\delta T}{T}\right)_{CMB} = (a \text{ few}) \cdot 10^{-5}$$

Matter perturbations grow as $\frac{\delta \rho}{\rho}(t) \propto T^{-1}$

Perturbations in baryonic matter grow after recombination only. If not for dark matter,

$$\left(\frac{\delta\rho}{\rho}\right)_{today} = 1100 \times (a \text{ few}) \cdot 10^{-5} = (a \text{ few}) \cdot 10^{-2}$$

No galaxies, no stars...

Perturbations in dark matter start to grow much earlier

Growth of perturbations (linear regime)



Baryon asymmetry of the Universe

- There is matter and no antimatter in the present Universe.
- Baryon-to-photon ratio, almost constant in time:

$$\eta_B \equiv \frac{n_B}{n_\gamma} = 6 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

What's the problem?

Early Universe ($T > 10^{12}$ K = 100 MeV): creation and annihilation of quark-antiquark pairs \Rightarrow

 $n_q, n_{\bar{q}} \approx n_{\gamma}$

Hence

$$\frac{n_q - n_{\bar{q}}}{n_q + n_{\bar{q}}} \sim 10^{-9}$$

How was this excess generated in the course of the cosmological evolution?

Sakharov'67, Kuzmin'70



Best guess for dark matter: WIMP

• New neutral stable (on cosmological scale) heavy particle

- Does not exist in the Standard Model
- Stability: new conserved quantum number
 mew symmetry

• Pair produced in early Universe at $T \simeq M$, pair-annihilate at T < M, freeze out at $T \sim M/30$

• Calculable in terms of mass (log dependence) and annihilation cross section (1/ σ dependence)

• To have right present abundance:

- Mass range: (10-1000) GeV
- Strength of interactions \simeq weak force: annihilation cross section = $(1 \div 2) \cdot 10^{-36}$ cm²

Just in LHC range

Life may not be that simple

Clouds over CDM

Numerical simulations of structure formation with CDM show

 Too many dwarf galaxies
 A few hundred satellites of a galaxy like ours — Much less observed so far

> Kauffmann et.al.'93; Klypin et.al.'99; Moore et.al.'99;...; Madau et.al.'08

- Too low angular momenta of spiral galaxies
- Too high density in galactic centers ("cusps")
- Not crisis yet

But what if one really needs to suppress small structures?

High initial velocities of DM particles \implies Warm dark matter

Free streaming

At time t free streaming length

$$l_{fs}(t) \sim v(t) \cdot t$$
, $v = \frac{p}{m}$

At radiation-matter equality (beginning of rapid growth of perturbations),

$$l_{fs}(t_{eq}) \sim \frac{p}{T} \frac{T_{eq} t_{eq}}{m}$$

Perturbations at smaller scales are suppressed.

- $\frac{p}{T} \simeq 3$ (if relativistic thremal-like distribution at decoupling)
- $z_{eq} \simeq 3000$, $T_{eq} \simeq 1$ eV, $t_{eq} \simeq 60$ kyr $\simeq 20$ kpc \Longrightarrow

Suppression of objects of mass

$$M \lesssim \rho_{DM} \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi l_0^3 \sim 10^9 M_{\odot} \cdot \left(\frac{1 \text{ keV}}{m}\right)^3$$

Power spectrum of perturbations



Assuming thermal primordial distribution normalized to $\Omega_{DM} \simeq 0.2$.

Warm dark matter: additional argument

Tremaine, Gunn Hogan, Dalcanton; Boyanovsky et.al., ...

Initial phase space density of dark matter particles: $f(\vec{p})$, independent of \vec{x} .

Fermions:

$$f(\vec{p}) \leq rac{1}{(2\pi)^3}$$
 by Pauli principle

Not more than one particle in quantum unit of phase space volume $\Delta \vec{x} \Delta \vec{p} = (2\pi\hbar)^3$.

NB: Thermal distribution: $f_{max} = \frac{1}{2(2\pi)^3}$

Expect maximum initial phase space density somewhat below $(2\pi)^{-3}$

Non-dissipative motion of particles, gravitatonal interactions only: particles tend to penetrate into empty parts of phase space > coarse grained distribution decreases in time; maximum phase space density also decreases in time.

But not by many orders of magnitude

 $\frac{\text{initial phase space density}}{\text{present phase space density}} = \frac{f}{f_0} = \Delta$

with

 $\Delta \simeq 10 \div 1000$



$$Q(\vec{x}) = \frac{\rho_{DM}(\vec{x})}{\langle v_{||}^2 \rangle^{3/2}}$$

 $ho_{DM}(\vec{x}) \iff$ gravitational potential $\langle v_{||}^2 \rangle \iff$ velocities of stars along line of sight.

Assume dark matter particles have same velocities as stars (e.g., virialized)

$$Q \simeq m^4 \frac{n(\vec{x})}{\langle \frac{1}{3}p^2 \rangle^{3/2}} \simeq 3^{3/2} m^4 f_0(\vec{x}, \vec{p})$$

Estimator of primordial phase space density:

$$f \simeq \Delta \frac{Q}{3^{3/2} m^4}$$

Largest observed: dwarf galaxies

$$Q_{max} = (3 \cdot 10^{-3} \div 2 \cdot 10^{-2}) \frac{M_{\odot}/\text{pc}^3}{\text{km/s}}$$

With $M_{\odot} \simeq 1 \cdot 10^{63}$ keV, 1 pc= $1.5 \cdot 10^{26}$ keV⁻¹, km/s= $3 \cdot 10^{-6}$

$$Q_{max} = 0.2 \text{ keV}^4$$

 $\simeq 3^{3/2} \Delta^{-1} \cdot m^4 f_{max} \simeq 3^{3/2} \Delta^{-1} \cdot m^4 \frac{\#}{(2\pi)^3}$

If maximum observed *Q* indeed estimates the largest phase space density of DM particles in the present Universe, then

 $m \sim (1 \div 10) \cdot \text{keV}$

Gravitinos as WDM candidates

Gorbunov, Khmelnitsky, VR' 08

- - \sqrt{F} = SUSY breaking scale. \implies Gravitinos light for low SUSY breaking scale. E.g. gauge mediation
- Decay width of superpartners into gravitino + SM particles

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{S}} \simeq \frac{M_{\tilde{S}}^5}{F^2} = \frac{M_{\tilde{S}}^5}{6m_{3/2}^2M_{Pl}^2}$$

 $M_{\tilde{S}}$ = mass of superpartner \tilde{S}

Heavy superpartners => gravitinos overproduced in the Universe

Need light superpartners

Superpartner mass range



M, GeV

To summarize:

- Gravitinos are still warm dark matter candidates
- Possible only if superpartners are light,

 $M \lesssim 300 \; {\rm GeV}$

Will soon be ruled out (or confirmed) by LHC

Competitor: strile neutrino

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Simplest production mechanism: via active-sterile mixing.

Dodelson, Widrow; Dolgov, Hansen; Asaka et.al.

Almost thermal primordial spectrum normalized to $\Omega_{DM} \simeq 0.2$

$$f(p) = \frac{g_{\nu_s}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\beta}{\mathbf{e}^{p/T_\nu} + 1}$$

 $\Omega_{v}=\Omega_{DM}\Longrightarrow$

$$\beta = 10^{-2} \left(\frac{1 \text{ keV}}{m} \right) \propto \sin^2 2\theta$$

Phase space bound:

Also: Boyarsky et. al.

$$m^4 f_{max} > \# \cdot Q_{max} \implies$$

 $m > 5.7 \text{ keV} \implies \sin^2 2\theta = (a \text{ few}) \cdot 10^{-9}$

Similar to, and independent from Ly- α bounds.

Ly- α : Abazajan; Seljak et.al.; Viel et.al. $m > 10 \div 28 \text{ keV}$

Tension with X-ray limits:

 $v_s \rightarrow v \gamma$ in cosmos

m < 4 keV

Boyarsky et. al.; Riemen-Sorensen et.al., Watson et.al.; Abazajan et.al.

X-ray astronomy: way to discover sterile neutrinos, if they are dark matter particles

Baryon asymmetry: Sakharov conditions

To generate baryon asymmetry, three necessary conditions should be met at the same cosmological epoch:

B-violation

- C- and CP-violation: microscopic physics discriminates between matter and antimatter
- Thermal inequilibrium

Conservation laws in the Standard Model



Matter-antimatter asymmetry cannot be explained within the Standard Model

BUT

Baryon number is violated in electroweak interactions.

Non-perturbative effect, requires large fluctuations of *W*-and *Z*-boson fields

At zero temprature rate suppressed by tunneling exponent:

$$e^{-rac{16\pi^2}{g_W^2}} \sim 10^{-165}$$

High temperatures: large thermal fluctuations ("sphalerons").

B-violation rapid as compared to cosmological expansion at high temperatures, $T \gtrsim 100$ GeV.

PROBLEM:

Universe expands slowly. Expansion time at $T \sim 100$ GeV

$$H^{-1} \sim 10^{-10} \text{ s}$$

Too large to have deviations from thermal equilibrium?

The only chance: 1st order phase transition, highly inequilibrium process

Electroweak symmetry is broken in vacuo, restored at high temperatures

Transition may in principle be 1st order

1st order phase transition occurs from supercooled state via spontaneous creation of bubbles of new (broken) phase in old (unbroken) phase.

Bubbles then expand at $v \sim 0.1c$

Bubbles born microscopic, $r \sim 10^{-16}$ cm, grow to macroscopic size, $r \sim 0.1 H^{-1} \sim$ mm, before their walls collide

Boiling Universe, strongly out of thermal equilibrium



Does this really happen?

Not in Standard Model

Standard Model fully calculable

- No phase transition at all; smooth crossover
- Also: way too small CP-violation

What can make EW mechanism work?

- Extra fields/particles
 - Should interact strongly with Higgs(es)
 - Should be present in plasma at $T \sim 100$ GeV ⇒ not much heavier than 300 GeV
- Plus extra source of *CP*-violation.
 Better in Higgs sector => Several Higgs fields

More generally, electroweak baryogenesis at $T \sim 100$ GeV requires complex dynamics in electroweak symmetry breaking sector

at $E \sim (a \text{ few}) \cdot 100 \text{ GeV}$, LHC range

Is EW the only appealing scenario?

By no means!

- Leptogenesis

Key: neutrino oscillations



Lepton numbers are not conserved

In principle, this is sufficient to generate baryon asymmetry.

Scenario:

Generation of lepton asymmetry due to new interactions at temperatures $10^8 - 10^{10}$ GeV

reprocessing of lepton asymmetry into baryon asymmetry in interactions of leptons and quarks at high temperatures within the Standard Model.

Neutrino masses in right ballpark

Prospects

- Neutrino masses \iff role of neutrino in the Universe

To conclude

Particle physics may well discover things crucial for our existence

Dark matter Dynamics behind baryon asymmetry

Quite possibly not particular ones discussed here

May find something even more profound Like extra dimensions/TeV-scale gravity Quite possibly something else

And in any case the landscape of physics, cosmology included, will change in near future

Warning: supersymmetric models are already constrained experimentally



mSUGRA at fairly low $\tan \beta$



Larger $\tan \beta$ is better



Bullet cluster 1E0657-558





But cosmology may be telling us something different — and unpleasant

Both particle physics and Universe appear heavily fine tuned

Friendly fine-tunings

- Dark energy density $\sim (10^{-3} \text{ eV})^4$ Just right for galaxies to get formed
- Primordial density perturbations $\frac{\delta \rho}{\rho} \sim 10^{-5}$

Just right to form stars but not supermassive galaxies w/o planets

Dark matter sufficient to produce structure

Also

• Light quark masses and α_{EM} Just right for $m_n > m_p$

but stable nuclei

Many more...

Is the electroweak scale a friendly fine-tuning?

Anthropic principle/environmentalism

"Our location in the Universe is neccessarily priviledged to the extent of being compatible with our existence as observers" Brandon Carter'1974

Fig

Recent support from "string landscape"

We exist where couplings/masses are right

Problem: never know which parameters are environmental and which derive from underlying physics

Disappointing, but may be true

May gain support from LHC, if not enough new physics to solve the gauge hierarchy problem

