

# Imprints of $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$ in Dirac-Scotogenic framework

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Hunting Invisibles: Dark sectors, Dark matter and Neutrinos

- We study a Dirac Scotogenic model. This allow us to connect
  - Neutrino mass generation at one loop level
  - A viable Dark matter candidate
- Dirac nature allows right-handed neutrinos ( $\nu_R$ ) to be very light.
- Thermalization of  $\nu_R$  lead to additional contribution to dark radiation.
- The effective number of neutrino species is defined as:

$$N_{\text{eff}} = \left(\frac{7}{8}\right) \left(\frac{11}{4}\right)^{4/3} \left[ \frac{\rho_{\text{rad}} - \rho_\gamma}{\rho_\gamma} \right]$$

- For instantaneous neutrino decoupling,  $N_{\text{eff}} = 3$ , else  $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.046^1$
- We will be looking for the parameter  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} (\equiv N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{new}} - 3.046)$
- Current CMB bound at  $2\sigma$  CL:  $N_{\text{eff}} = 2.99_{-0.33}^{+0.34}$

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<sup>1</sup> *Nucl. Phys. B* 729, pp. 221–234

# Components of the model

We have **three sets of VLFs** ( $N_{1,2,3}$ ), **three  $\nu_{RS}$** , **one doublet scalar** ( $\phi$ ) and **a singlet scalar** ( $\chi$ ).

|          | $L$            | $H$           | $\nu_R$  | $N$      | $\phi$        | $\chi$ |
|----------|----------------|---------------|----------|----------|---------------|--------|
| $SU(2)$  | 2              | 2             | 1        | 1        | 2             | 1      |
| $U(1)_Y$ | $-\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0        | 0        | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0      |
| $Z_3$    | 0              | 0             | $\omega$ | $\omega$ | $\omega$      | 0      |
| $Z_2$    | +              | +             | +        | -        | -             | -      |

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} \supset (y_\phi)_{ij} \bar{L}_i \tilde{\phi} N_j + (y_\chi)_{ij} \bar{\nu}_{Ri} N_j \chi + (M_N)_{ij} \bar{N}_i N_j + \text{h.c.} \quad (1)$$

The scalar potential of the model can be written as follows,

$$V = -\mu_H^2 H^\dagger H + \mu_\phi^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \frac{1}{2} \mu_\chi^2 \chi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_1 (H^\dagger H)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_2 (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{4!} \lambda_3 \chi^4 + \lambda_4 (H^\dagger H) (\phi^\dagger \phi) + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_5 (H^\dagger H) \chi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_6 (\phi^\dagger \phi) \chi^2 + \lambda_7 (H^\dagger \phi) (\phi^\dagger H) + \mu (\phi^\dagger H + H^\dagger \phi) \chi. \quad (2)$$

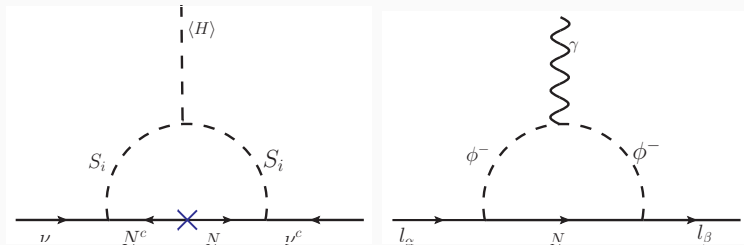
Mixing between  $\phi_R$  and  $\chi$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} S_1 \\ S_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \chi \\ \phi_R \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where, } \theta = \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{2\sqrt{2}\mu v}{\mu_\phi^2 - \mu_\chi^2 + (\lambda_4 - \lambda_5)v^2} \right]. \quad \text{Pritam, IITG}$$

# Neutrino mass & LFV

The one-loop Dirac neutrino mass [Phys. Rev.D86(2012) 033007]:

$$(M_\nu)_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\sin 2\theta}{32\pi^2\sqrt{2}} \sum_{k=1}^3 (y_\phi)_{\alpha k} (y_\chi^*)_{\beta k} M_{N_k} \left( \frac{M_{S_1}^2}{M_{S_1}^2 - M_{N_k}^2} \ln \frac{M_{S_1}^2}{M_{N_k}^2} - \frac{M_{S_2}^2}{M_{S_2}^2 - M_{N_k}^2} \ln \frac{M_{S_2}^2}{M_{N_k}^2} \right).$$



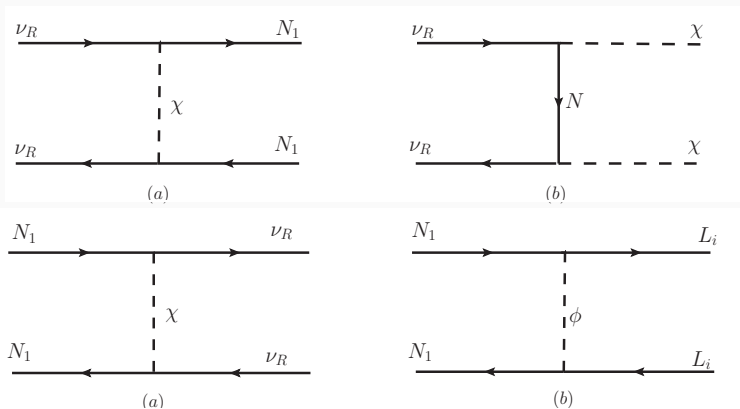
The decay branching ratio for  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  is given by:

$$\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = \text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\nu_\mu\bar{\nu}_e) \times \frac{3\alpha_{\text{EM}}}{16\pi G_F^2} \text{Abs} \left[ \sum_i \frac{(y_\phi)_{\mu i} (y_\phi^*)_{e i}}{M_{\phi^\pm}^2} f\left(\frac{M_{N_i}^2}{M_{\phi^\pm}^2}\right) \right]^2.$$

$$\text{with, } f(x) = \frac{1 - 6x + 2x^3 + 3x^2(1 - \ln x)}{12(1 - x)^2}.$$

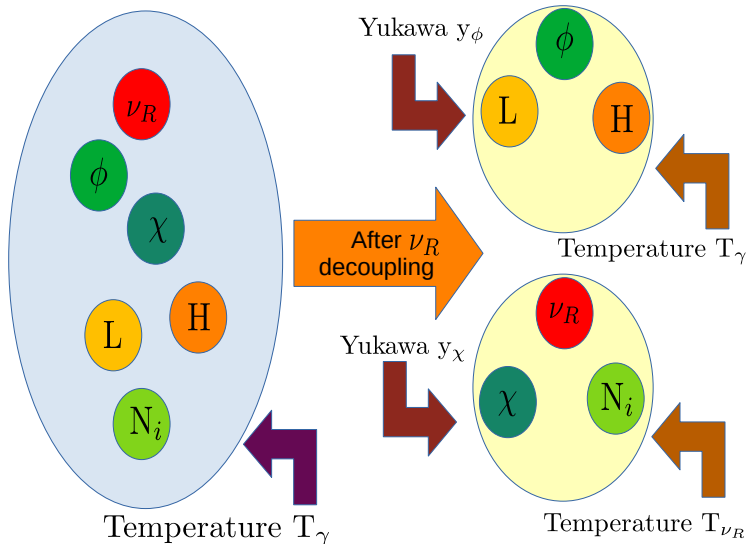
We have studied **three** cases:

- Case-I:  $y_\chi \gg y_\phi$  and the mixing angle is tiny ( $\sin \theta \leq 10^{-4}$ ).
- Case-II: Similar to previous case however, the mixing angle is large ( $\sin \theta \sim 0.7$ ).
- Case-III:  $y_\chi \simeq y_\phi$  and the mixing angle is fixed from neutrino mass bound.



# Scenario for Case-I and Case-II ( $y_\chi \gg y_\phi$ )

$$\mathcal{L} \supset (y_\phi)_{ij} \bar{L}_i \tilde{\phi} N_j + (y_\chi)_{ij} \bar{\nu}_{Ri} N_j \chi + \dots$$



# Working formulas

- **Dark matter:** There are two regions separated by  $T_{\nu_R}^{\text{Dec}}$ .

We defined a quantity  $\xi = \frac{T_{\nu_R}}{T_\gamma}$  and the coupled Boltzmann equations as follows [JCAP 10 (2021) 002]

$$\frac{dY}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\beta s}{\mathbf{H}x} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{eff}} [Y^2 - Y_{\text{eq}}^2], \quad (4)$$

$$x \frac{d\xi}{dx} + (\beta - 1)\xi = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\beta x^4 s^2}{4\alpha \xi^3 \mathbf{H} M_0^4} \langle E \sigma v \rangle_{\text{eff}} [Y^2 - Y_{\text{eq}}^2]. \quad (5)$$

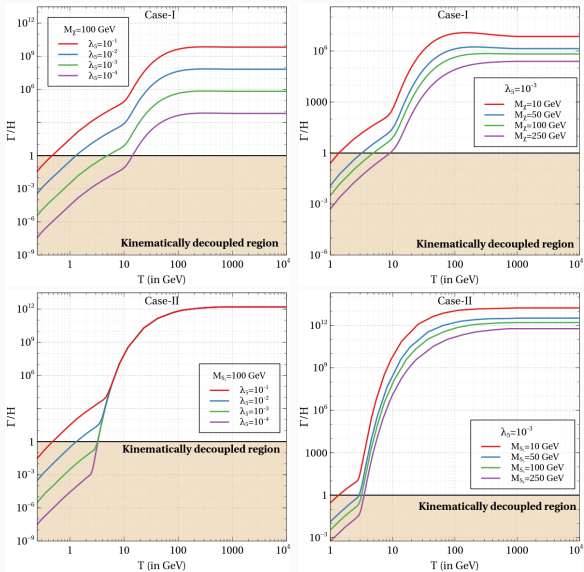
The respective parameters are well defined.

- **For  $N_{\text{eff}}$ :**

$$N_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\rho_{\text{rad}} - \rho_\gamma}{\rho_{\nu_L}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta N_{\text{eff}} &= \frac{\sum_\alpha \rho_{\nu_R}^\alpha}{\rho_{\nu_L}} = 3 \left( \frac{\rho_{\nu_R}}{\rho_{\nu_L}} \right) \Big|_{T > T_{\nu_L}^{\text{Dec}}} = 3 \times \left( \frac{T_{\nu_R}}{T_\gamma} \right)^4 \Big|_{T > T_{\nu_L}^{\text{Dec}}} \\ \implies \Delta N_{\text{eff}} &= 3 \times \xi^4. \quad [\text{since, } \rho \propto T^4] \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

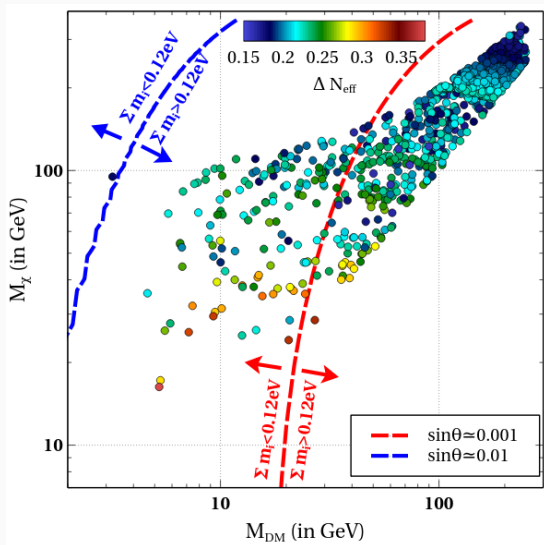
# Thermalization of $\nu_R$



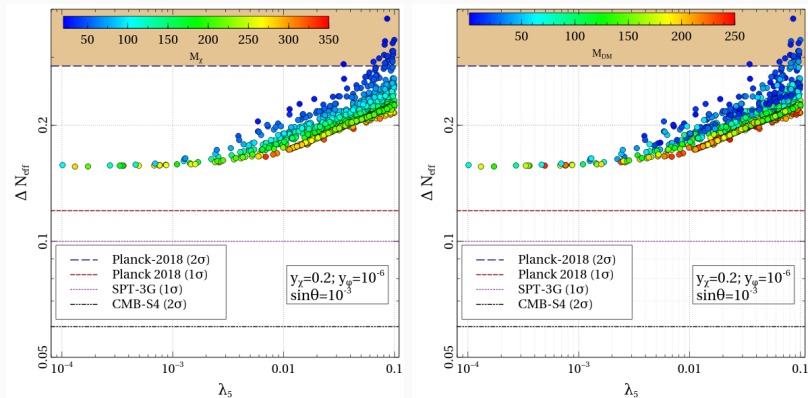
Thermalization profile for **case-I** is more prominent



# Results - Dark matter

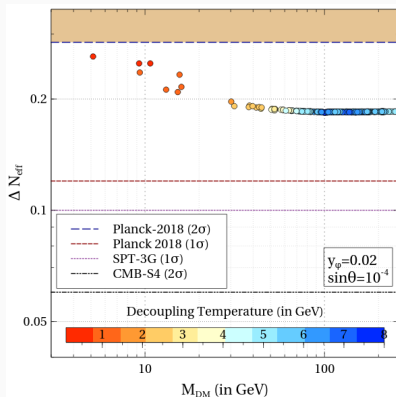
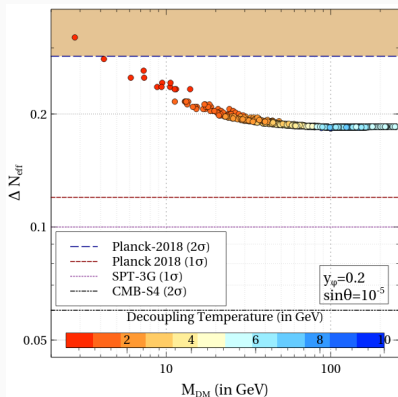


# Results: $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$



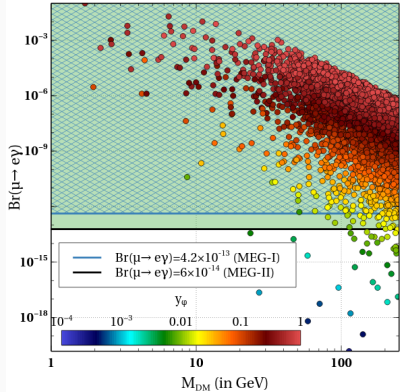
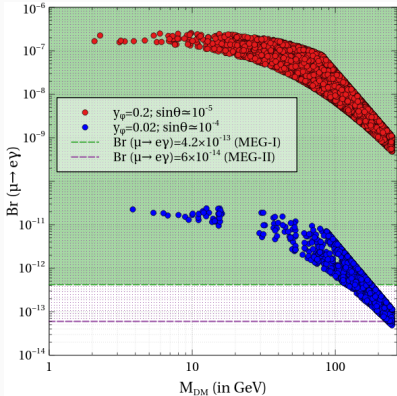
## Cosmological signature of Case-I

# Results: $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$



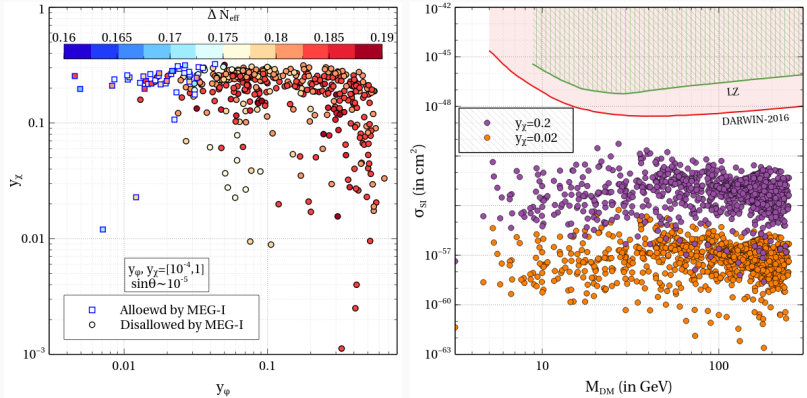
## Cosmological signature of Case-III

# Results: Lepton Flavour Violation



LFV restricts larger  $y_\phi$

# Results: $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$ Direct Detection



Allowed parameter space from  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$  and direct detection bounds

# Conclusion

- A minimal Dirac Scotogenic model was studied with a singlet scalar ( $\chi$ ), a doublet scalar ( $\phi$ ) and three massless right handed neutrinos ( $\nu_R$ ).
- The study was divided into three categories depending on Yukawa couplings and the mixing angle, consistent with neutrino mass.
- In every case, we discuss and show the detection prospects of the model while being consistent with the desired DM phenomenology and neutrino mass constraints.
- While direct detection prospects remain low for such fermion singlet DM due to radiative suppression of DM-nucleon scattering cross-section, some part of the parameter space is already ruled out by constraints from charged lepton flavour violation.

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After electroweak symmetry breaking, can be obtained as follows:

$$M_h^2 = 2\lambda_1 v^2; \quad (7)$$

$$M_{\phi^\pm}^2 = \mu_\phi^2 + \lambda_4 v^2; \quad (8)$$

$$M_{\phi_I}^2 = \mu_\phi^2 + (\lambda_4 + \lambda_7) v^2; \quad (9)$$

$$M_{\chi, \phi_R}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_\chi^2 + \lambda_5 v^2 & \sqrt{2}\mu v \\ \sqrt{2}\mu v & \mu_\phi^2 + (\lambda_4 + \lambda_7) v^2 \end{pmatrix}; \quad (10)$$



The contribution to the spin-independent scattering cross-section for the dark matter-nucleon scattering is given by

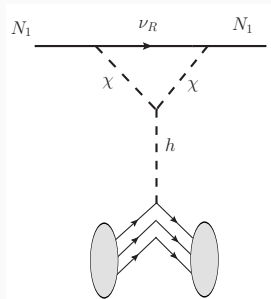
$$\sigma_{\text{SI}} = \left(\frac{m_n}{v}\right)^2 \frac{\mu_{\text{DM}n}^2 g_{\psi\psi h}^2}{\pi M_h^4} f_n^2 \quad (11)$$

where  $f_n = 0.3$  depends on the quark content within a nucleon for each quark flavour,

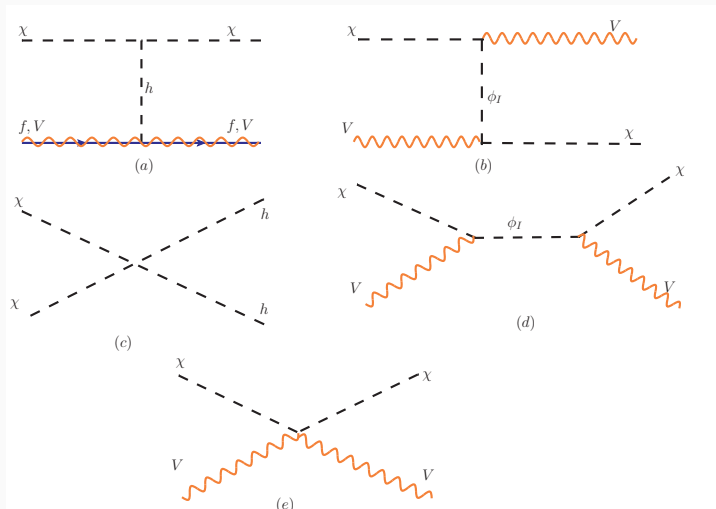
$$\mu_{\text{DM}n} = \frac{M_{\text{DM}} m_n}{M_{\text{DM}} + m_n}.$$

The effective coupling between DM and Higgs can be written as

$$g_{\bar{N}N h} = \frac{i}{16\pi^2} \times \frac{y_\chi \lambda_5 v}{M_{\text{DM}}} \times \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{M_\chi^2}{M_{\text{DM}}^2} - 1 \right) \ln \left( 1 - \frac{M_{\text{DM}}^2}{M_\phi^2} \right) \right]. \quad (12)$$



# Backup slides



**Figure 1:** Scattering processes associated with thermalisation of  $\chi$  with the SM bath.

# Neutrino cosmology

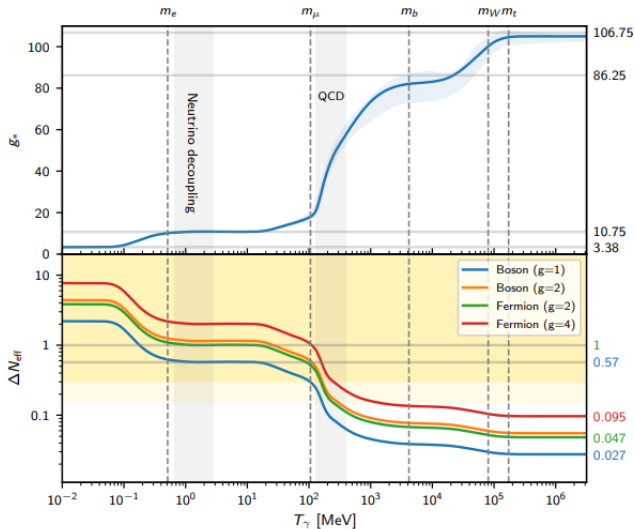
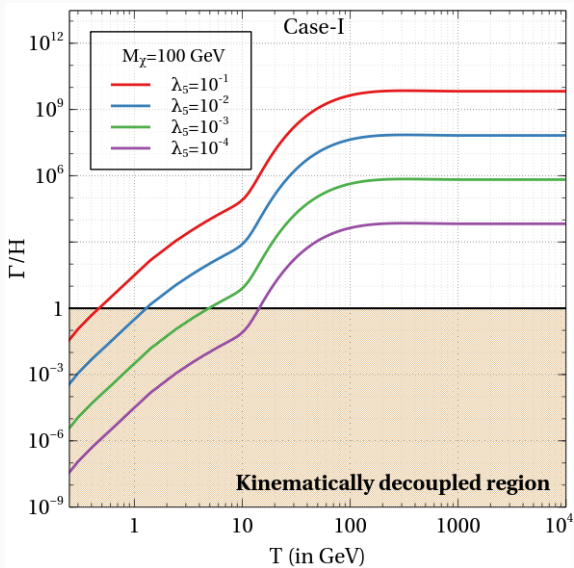
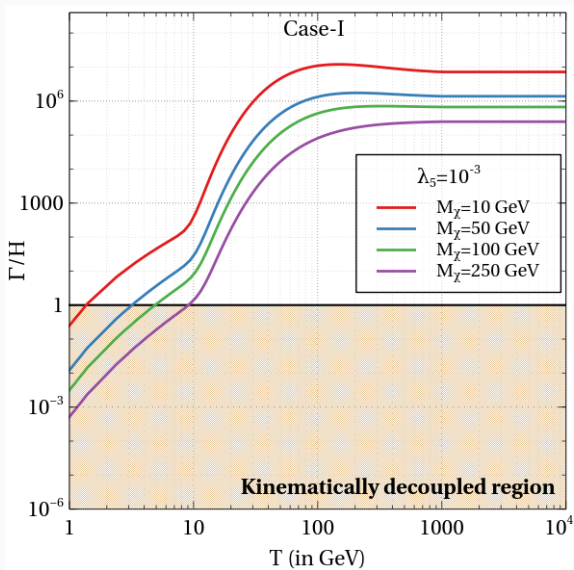


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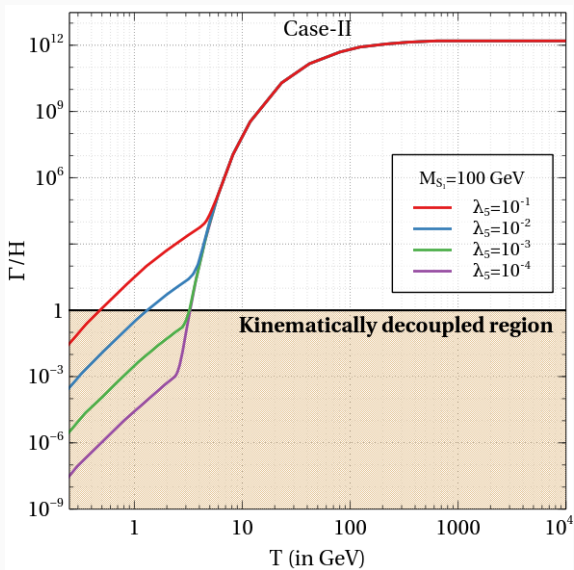
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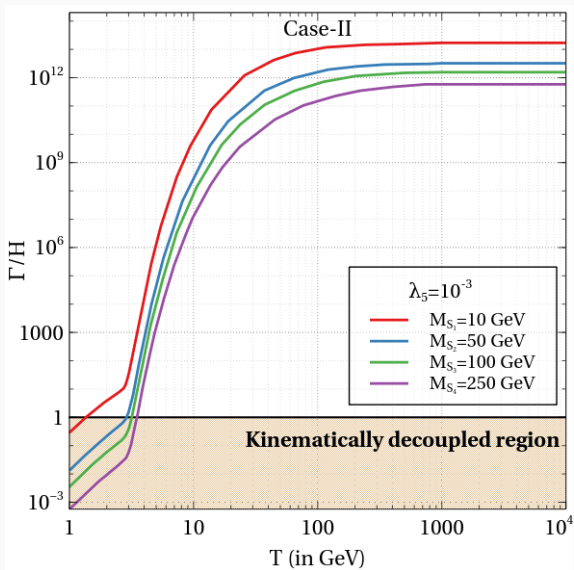
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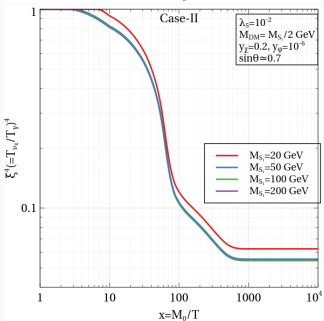
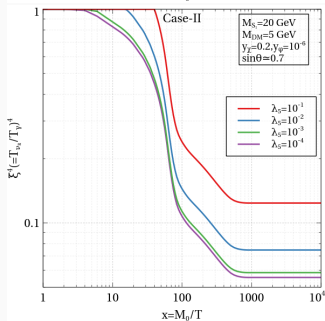
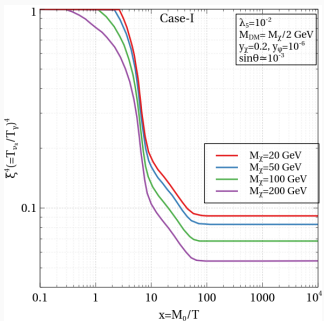
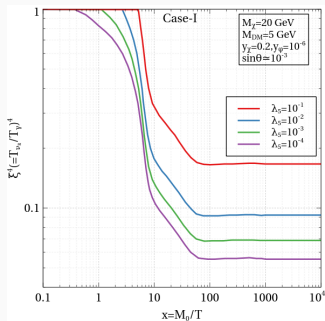
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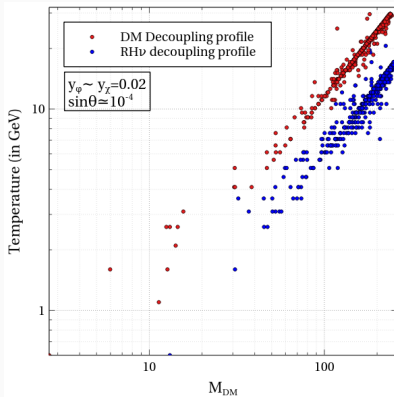
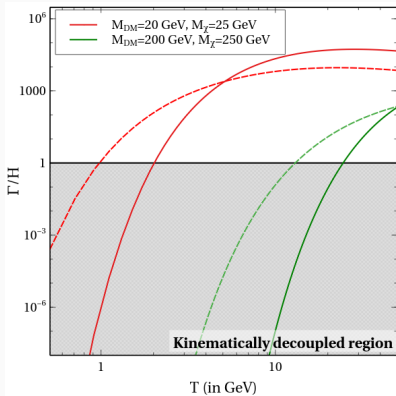


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# Backup slides-Thermalization in case-III



# Backup Slides- parameters in BE

We have defined the effective thermal averaged cross-section as

$$\langle E\sigma v \rangle_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\langle E\sigma v \rangle'_{\nu_R \bar{\nu}_R \rightarrow \text{DMD}\bar{\text{M}}} (Y_{\text{DM}}^{\text{eq}})^2 + \langle E\sigma v \rangle'_{\nu_R \bar{\nu}_R \rightarrow \chi\chi} (Y_{\chi}^{\text{eq}})^2}{(Y_{\text{DM}}^{\text{eq}} + Y_{\chi}^{\text{eq}})^2}, \quad (13)$$

where,  $\langle E\sigma v \rangle'_{x\bar{x} \rightarrow y\bar{y}}$  is the thermal average of  $E \times \sigma v_{x\bar{x} \rightarrow y\bar{y}}$  normalized by the product of equilibrium number densities of the final state particles *i.e.*,  $n_y^{\text{eq}} n_{\bar{y}}^{\text{eq}}$ .

$$\alpha = g_i \frac{7}{8} \frac{\pi^2}{30}; \quad s(T) = g_*(T) \frac{2\pi^2 T^3}{45}; \quad \mathbf{H}(T) = \sqrt{\frac{8g_*(T)}{\pi}} \frac{T^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}};$$

$$\beta(T) = \frac{g_*^{1/2}(T) \sqrt{g_\rho(T)}}{g_s(T)};$$

$$g_*^{1/2} = \frac{g_s}{\sqrt{g_\rho}} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{T}{g_s} \frac{dg_s}{dT} \right).$$

The effective annihilation cross-section for the combined processes are given by [\[Phys. Rev. D 43 \(1991\) 3191\]](#)

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{DMD}\bar{\text{M}} \rightarrow \nu_R \bar{\nu}_R} (Y_{\text{DM}}^{\text{eq}})^2 + \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\chi\chi \rightarrow X\bar{X}, \nu_R \bar{\nu}_R} (Y_{\chi}^{\text{eq}})^2}{(Y_{\text{DM}}^{\text{eq}} + Y_{\chi}^{\text{eq}})^2}. \quad (14)$$

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| Cases              | Parameters  | Chosen range  |
|--------------------|---|---|
| All                | Dark matter mass<br>Singlet scalar mass<br>Doublet masses (For $\phi^\pm, \phi^0$ )<br>Mass separation ( $M_i - M_{\text{DM}}$ )<br>Higgs portal coupling | $M_{\text{DM}} = [1, 250]$ GeV<br>$M_\chi = [1, 350]$ GeV<br>$M_\phi = [1, 350]$ GeV<br>$\Delta M = [1, 100]$ GeV<br>$\lambda_5 = [10^{-4}, 10^{-1}]$ |
| Case-I<br>&Case-II | Yukawa coupling with $\chi$<br>Yukawa coupling with $\phi$<br>Mixing angle (Case-I)<br>Mixing angle (Case-II)   | $y_\chi = 0.2$ (fixed)<br>$y_\phi \simeq 10^{-6}$ (fixed)<br>$\sin \theta \sim 10^{-6}$<br>$\sin \theta \sim 10^{-2}$                                 |
| Case-III           | 1. Yukawa coupling with $\chi$ & $\phi$<br>Mixing angle<br>2. Yukawa coupling with $\chi$ & $\phi$<br>Mixing angle  | $y_\chi \sim y_\phi = 0.2$ (fixed)<br>$\sin \theta \sim 10^{-5}$<br>$y_\chi \sim y_\phi = 0.02$ (fixed)<br>$\sin \theta \sim 10^{-4}$                 |

**Table 1:** The choice of parameter ranges for all three cases in our study.