

# Goldstino Production with Low Reheating Temperatures

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# Introduction

- review: thermal history of the universe
- dynamics of reheating; what is  $T_R$ ?
- processes during matter-domination
- freeze-in vs. freeze-out
- (lack of) kinetic equilibrium
- consequences for Dark Matter, BBN and LHC
- conclusions

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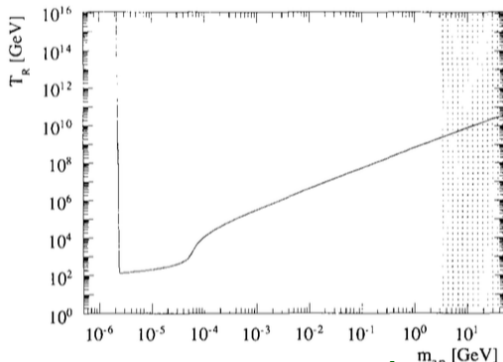
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## Reheating and Super-Weakly interacting particles

As example, goldstino production dominated by highest temperatures

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{\tilde{m}^2}{F^2} \zeta \psi \phi - i \frac{m_\lambda}{\sqrt{2}F} \zeta \sigma^{\mu\nu} \lambda^a F_{\mu\nu}^a$$

For high  $T_R \gg \text{TeV}$ , goldstino production through  $gg \rightarrow \lambda\zeta$ ,  $\lambda\lambda \rightarrow \zeta\lambda \dots$



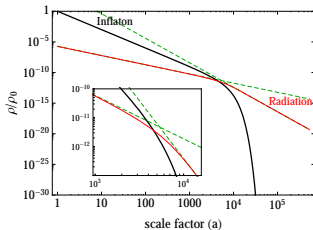
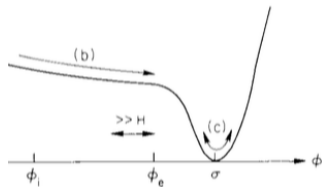
$$\Omega_{3/2} \sim 0.2 \left( \frac{T_R}{10^{10} \text{ GeV}} \right) \times \left( \frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{m_{3/2}} \right) \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{g}}}{1 \text{ TeV}} \right)^2$$

(cutoff at  $T_R$ )

[Moroi, Murayama, Yamaguchi, Phys. Lett. 1993]

[Bolz, Brandenburg, Buchmüller, Nuc1. Phys. 2001]

## More on Reheating



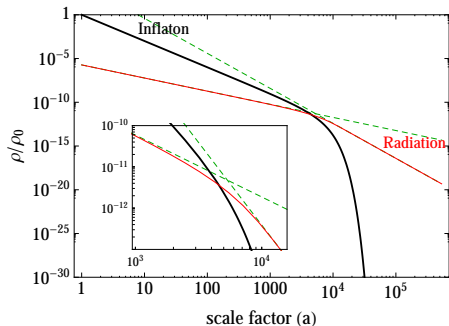
After (slow-roll) inflation, the inflaton field  $\Phi$  coherently oscillates around the minimum of its potential, damped by decays into SM particles. Universe is *matter-dominated* until the inflaton has decayed away.

The reheating temperature is the maximum temperature of the plasma in (our) radiation-dominated era.

Low scale of inflation typically gives low  $T_R$ :

$$\text{e.g. if } \Gamma_I = \frac{m_\Phi^3}{M_P^2} \quad \rightarrow \quad T_R \sim 1 \text{ GeV} \left( \frac{m_\Phi}{10^6 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{3/2}$$

(\*\* similar if other source of matter-domination, e.g. **unstable moduli** \*\*)



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_{MD} \propto a^{-3} \\ \rho_{MD}^{rad} \propto a^{-3/2} \\ T_{MD} \propto a^{-3/8} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_{RD} \sim a^{-4} \\ T_{RD} \propto a^{-1} \end{array} \right.$$

The radiation bath reaches a higher temperature during matter-domination: in particular, the highest temperature ever reached is

$$T_{MAX} \sim \left( \frac{V_I^{1/4}}{T_R} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} T_R \gg T_R$$

Between  $T_{MAX}$  and  $T_R$ , entropy injection by inflaton decay  $\implies$  Early processes diluted away and remnants are dominated by the lowest temperature at which the processes are still relevant (e.g. WIMP production with low  $T_R$ ).

# Super-Weakly interacting particles & matter domination

[AM,C.S.Shin, 1505.03149, PRD]

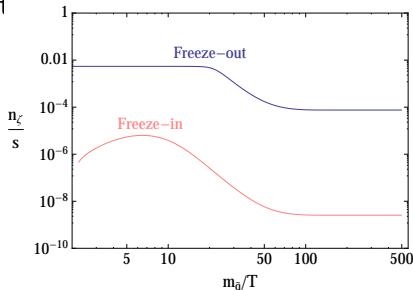
As example, goldstino in MSSM (also multiple goldstini)

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{\tilde{m}^2}{F^2} \zeta \psi \phi - i \frac{m_\lambda}{\sqrt{2}F} \zeta \sigma^{\mu\nu} \lambda^a F_{\mu\nu}^a$$

For  $T_R \ll T < m_{\tilde{q}}$ , consider decay of squarks or gauginos into goldstinos:

$$\tilde{q} \leftrightarrow \zeta q, \quad \lambda^a \leftrightarrow \zeta A_\mu^a.$$

SUSY breaking  $F$ -term determines interaction strength: either freeze-in or freeze-out



$$\leftarrow F = (100 \text{ TeV})^2$$

$$\leftarrow F = (5000 \text{ TeV})^2$$



## Chemical freeze-out and kinetic equilibrium

If  $\zeta$  in kinetic equilibrium ( $f_\zeta \propto \exp(-p/T)$ ), the Boltzmann equation is

$$\dot{n}_\zeta + 3Hn_\zeta = \left( \langle \Gamma \rangle_{\tilde{q}} n_{\tilde{q}}^{eq} - \langle \sigma v \rangle_{\zeta q} n_\zeta n_q^{eq} \right) = \langle \Gamma \rangle_T n_{\tilde{q}}^{eq} \left( 1 - \frac{n_\zeta}{n_\zeta^{eq}} \right)$$

where the second term represent inverse decays (relevant when  $n_\zeta \simeq n_\zeta^{eq}$ ).  
e.g. for WIMPs,  $\chi + SM \rightarrow \chi + SM$  stays in equilibrium long after  $\chi + \chi \rightarrow SM + SM$  freezes out.

Different for superWIMPS:

$$\mathcal{M}(\zeta + \psi \rightarrow \zeta + \psi) \propto 1/F^4, \quad \mathcal{M}(\tilde{q} \rightarrow q\zeta) \propto 1/F^2 \implies f_\zeta(p) \neq f_\zeta^{eq}(p).$$

The Boltzmann equation for the distribution function is

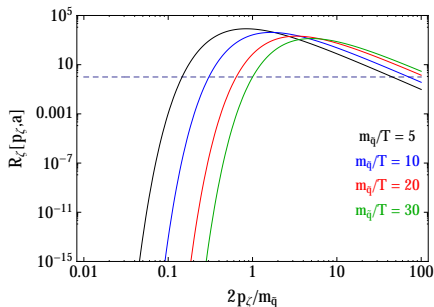
$$\frac{df_\zeta}{dt} = \frac{\partial f_\zeta}{\partial t} - Hp \frac{\partial f_\zeta}{\partial p} = C[f_\zeta],$$

$$\frac{\partial f_\zeta}{\partial \ln a} - \frac{\partial f_\zeta}{\partial \ln p} = \left( 1 - \frac{f_\zeta}{e^{-p/T}} \right) \left( \frac{\Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow \zeta \psi} \tilde{m}_\phi T}{Hp^2} \right) \exp \left\{ -\frac{p}{T} \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{m}_\phi^2}{4p^2} \right) \right\}$$

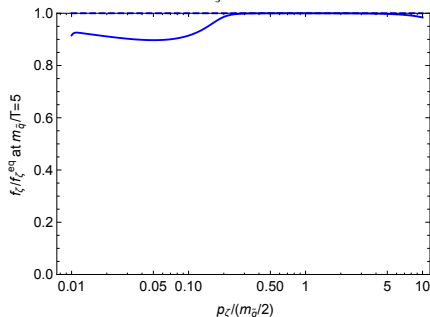
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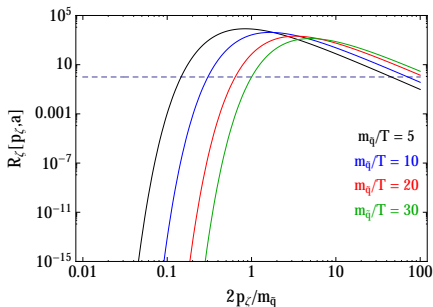
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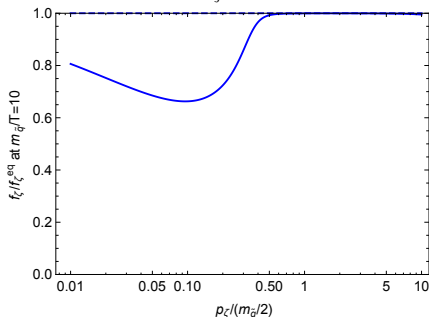
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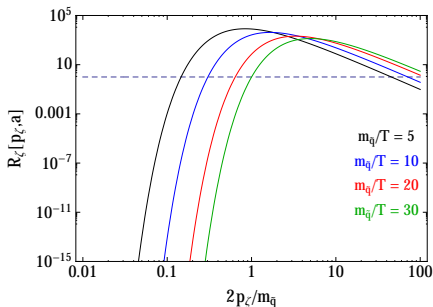
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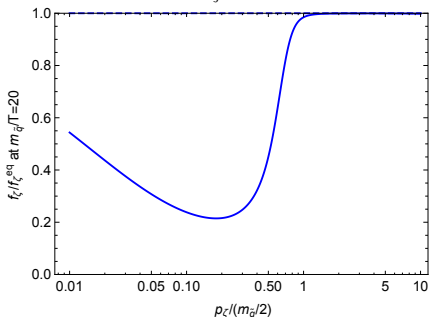
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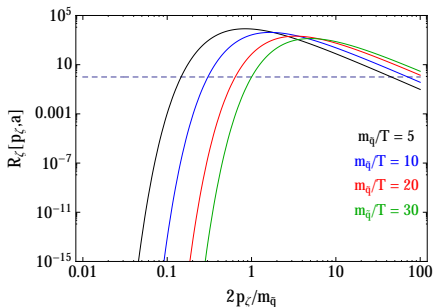
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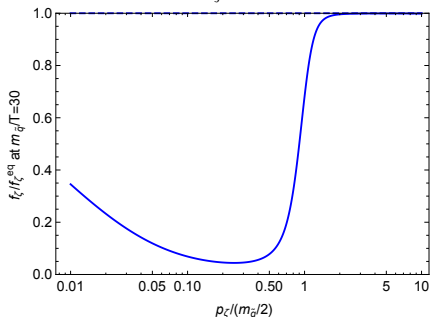
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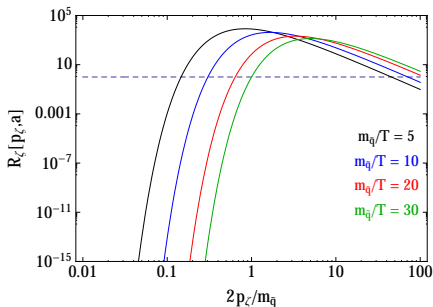
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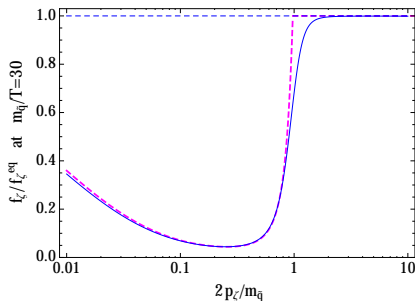
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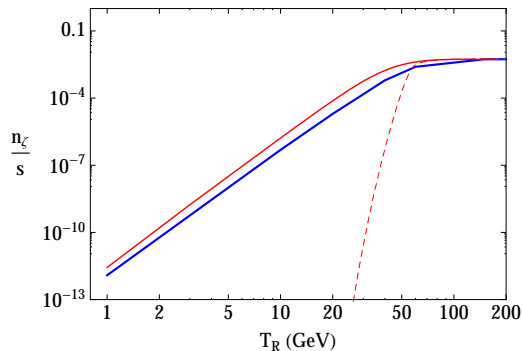
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For example, for  $m_{\tilde{q}} = 1$  TeV,  $F = (100 \text{ TeV})^2$ , the resulting yield is:



blue: our results.

red: assuming kinetic equilibrium (overestimates by a factor of  $\sim 4$ ).

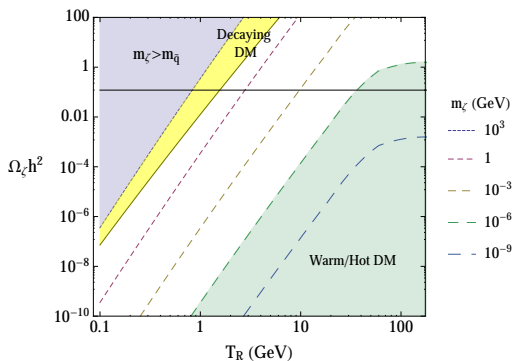
dashed red: neglecting matter-dominated era before  $T_R$ .

## Late-Time Implications: Dark Matter

$$(\Omega_\zeta h^2)_{FO} \simeq 0.19 \left( \frac{m_\zeta}{1 \text{ MeV}} \right) \left( \frac{T_R}{10 \text{ GeV}} \right)^5 \left( \frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{m_{\tilde{q}}} \right)^5$$

$$(\Omega_\zeta h^2)_{FI} \simeq 0.11 \left( \frac{m_\zeta}{2 \text{ MeV}} \right) \left( \frac{T_R}{10 \text{ GeV}} \right)^7 \left( \frac{(500 \text{ TeV})^2}{F_\zeta} \right)^2 \left( \frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{m_{\tilde{q}}} \right)^4$$

For example, for  $F = (100 \text{ TeV})^2$  (corresponding to freeze-out), we have





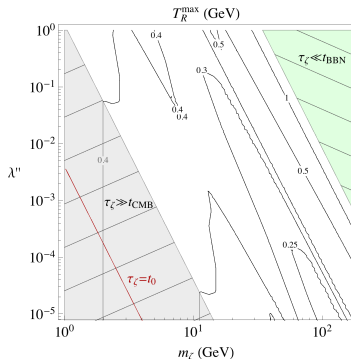
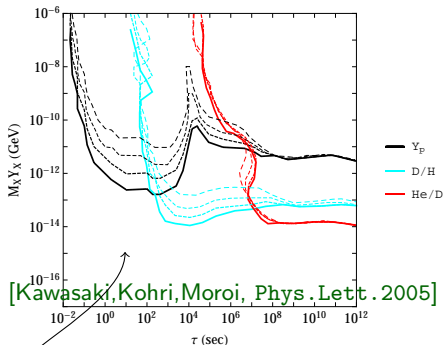
# Late-Time Implications: RPV

With baryonic RPV,  $W_{BRPV} = \frac{\lambda''_{ijk}}{2} u_i^c d_j^c d_k^c + h.c.$

Proton decay  $p \rightarrow \zeta K$  forces  $m_\zeta > m_p$ .

Goldstino Decay  $\zeta \rightarrow u_i d_j d_k$  disintegrates light elements:

$$\tau_\zeta = 1.57 \times 10^3 \text{ sec} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda''_{ijk}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{10 \text{ GeV}}{m_\zeta} \right)^9 \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{q}}}{1 \text{ TeV}} \right)^4 \left( \frac{F_\zeta}{(100 \text{ TeV})^2} \right)^2$$



## Very-Late-Time Implications: LHC

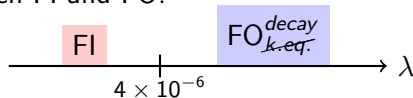
More generally, freeze-in during matter-dominated era (almost always) predicts displaced vertices at the LHC in most of the parameter space (in our case, long lifetime of the squark decaying to goldstino).

[Co,D'Eramo,Hall,Pappadopulo, 1506.07532]

If  $B \rightarrow X + SM$  with  $\Gamma_B = \lambda^2 \frac{m_B}{8\pi}$ , fitting the observed DM abundance gives, for  $m_X = 100$  GeV and  $m_B = 300$  GeV:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= 2 \times 10^{-8} & \text{if } T_R &= 4.6 \text{ GeV} \\ &= 2 \times 10^{-7} & \text{if } T_R &= 2.4 \text{ GeV}\end{aligned}$$

Demarcation between FI and FO:



$$\begin{aligned}\text{Lifetime at the LHC: } c\tau_B &\simeq 10^{-5} m \left( \frac{10^{-6}}{\lambda} \right)^2 \left( \frac{300 \text{ GeV}}{m_B} \right) \\ &\simeq 10 m \left( \frac{T_R}{10 \text{ GeV}} \right)^7 \left( \frac{300 \text{ GeV}}{m_B} \right)^9 \left( \frac{m_X}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right)\end{aligned}$$

## Conclusions

I have discussed the possibility of super-weakly interacting particles thermally produced during an early matter-dominated era. If the Universe never reheated at high energies, this was the only chance!

The correct dark matter density can be reproduced for reheating temperatures as low as 1 GeV (even for much heavier, TeV-scale, squarks)

If the interaction strength is not too small, *thermal equilibrium* of the goldstinos can be maintained **by chemical interactions only**, and this is *momentum-dependent*. Kinetic interactions are frozen out at low momentum and the distribution function acquires a non-standard form.

Thank you!

...questions?

## Extra slides

## Example: WIMP freeze-out in matter-domination

Decoupling during RD era, for  $T_R \gg T_{FO}$ :

$$(\Omega_X h^2)_0 \sim 0.1 \left( \frac{M_X / T_{FO}}{10} \right) \frac{10^{-8} \text{ GeV}^{-2}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle}$$

For example, implies unitarity bound  $M_X \lesssim 300 \text{ TeV}$ .

Decoupling during MD era, for  $T_R \ll T_{FO}$ :

[Giudice, Kolb, Riotto, PRD 64 023508]

$$T_{FO} \gg T_{MAX} : \quad \Omega_X h^2 \sim 10^2 \left( \frac{10^3 T_R}{M_X} \right)^7 \left( \frac{\alpha}{0.01} \right)$$

$$T_{FO} \ll T_{MAX} : \quad \Omega_X h^2 \sim (\Omega_X h^2)_0 \left( \frac{T_R}{T_{FO}} \right)^3$$

Removes unitarity bound. Lower cross section, higher mass range allowed (e.g. WIMPzillas).

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