

Light Inflaton – hunting for it from CMB through the Dark Matter and down to the colliders

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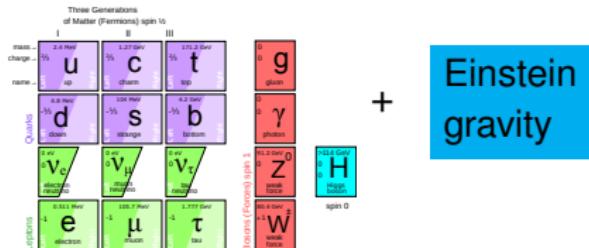


Outline

- 1 Minimally extending the Standard Model
- 2 Light Inflaton and cosmological constraints
 - The model and its parameters
 - Inflationary properties (tensor-to-scalar ratio)
 - Dark Matter generation
- 3 Search in the laboratory
 - Direct inflaton search
 - Is the Higgs compatible?



Standard Model – describes nearly everything



Einstein
gravity

Describes

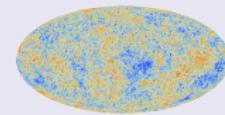
- all laboratory experiments – electromagnetism, nuclear processes, etc.
- all processes in the evolution of the Universe after the Big Bang Nucleosynthesis ($T < 1 \text{ MeV}$, $t > 1 \text{ sec}$)

Experimental problems:

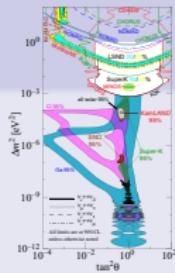
- Laboratory
 - ? Neutrino oscillations
- Cosmology
 - ? Baryon asymmetry of the Universe
 - ? Dark Matter



? Inflation



? Dark Energy



Standard Model and nothing else up to Planck scale?

No heavy particles/scales

- no physical high scale quadratic contributions to the Higgs boson vev
- hierarchy problem may be addressed by starting from a scale invariant theory
- Processes at the highest energy (inflation) may be directly related to the low energy properties

Should explain everything

- Inflation
 - Dark Matter
 - Neutrino oscillations
 - Baryon asymmetry of the Universe
- $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{this talk} \\ \text{vMSM} \end{array} \right\}$

Light Inflaton model essentials—one new scalar

- Supports inflation for large ϕ
 - Generates Higgs vev $\langle HH^\dagger \rangle = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} \langle \phi \rangle$
 - Produces DM sterile neutrino N_1 in decays $\phi \rightarrow NN$
 - Gives mass to DM sterile neutrino $M_{N_1} = f \langle \phi \rangle$

Light Inflaton model essentials—one new scalar

Parameter counting:

SM and ν MSM

Higgs mass, N masses, $\langle H \rangle$

ξ fixed by CMB normalization

2 added *free* parameters

α and β , or:

inflaton mass $m_\chi = m_h \sqrt{\beta/2\alpha}$

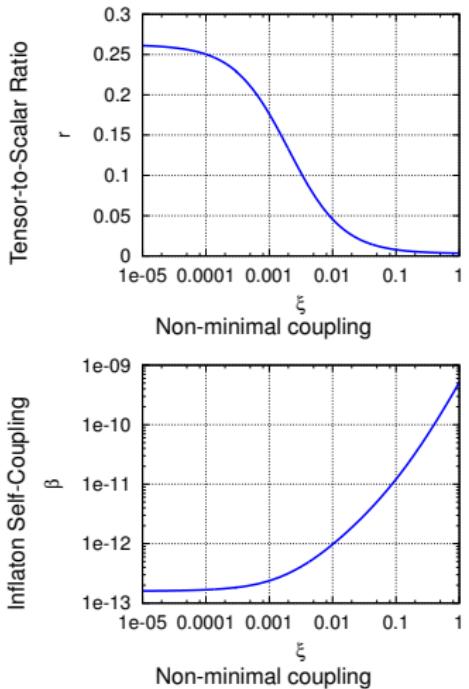
Higgs-inflaton mixing $\theta^2 = 2\alpha/\lambda$

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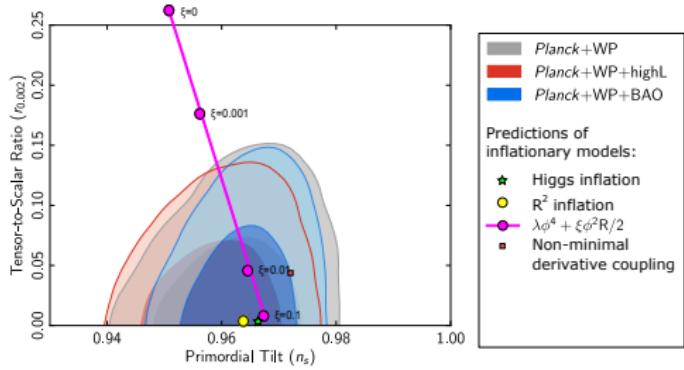
Scale symmetry breaking

- Explicit μ^2 only in the inflaton sector

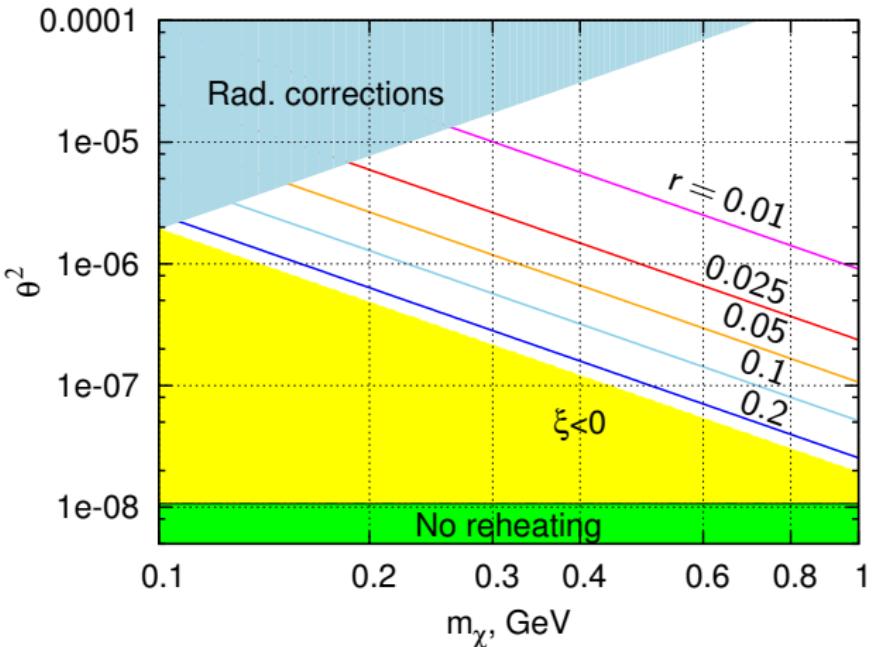
The tensor perturbations are suppressed, inflaton self-coupling β is increased by non-minimal coupling ξ



- Measurement of r is a measurement of ξ



Parameters can be determined from cosmology



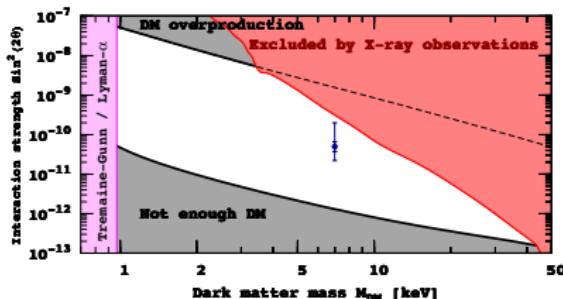
- Measuring tensor-to-scalar ratio r – one constraint
- Production of DM of a given mass (7 keV) – one constraint

Sterile-active mixing θ_1 is bound (discovered?!) in X-ray observations

- N_1 – keV scale sterile neutrino DM
- Can be seen in X-rays from decay $N \rightarrow \gamma\nu$ (Was seen? [Bulbul et.al.'14, Boyarsky et.al.'14])
- Produced in decays of the inflaton $\rightarrow NN$
- Amount of DM produced

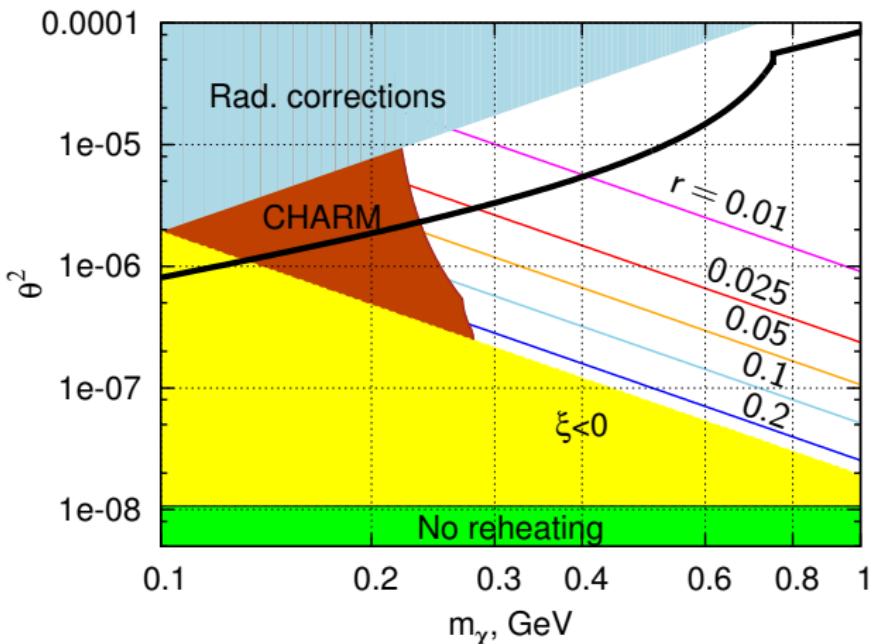
$$\Omega_{DM} \propto \frac{\Gamma_{\chi \rightarrow N_1 N_1} M_1}{m_\chi^2} \propto \frac{f_1^3 \theta^2}{m_\chi}$$

One more constraint for m_χ, θ^2



- 3.5 keV X-ray hint—mixing θ_1^2 (Dirak Yukawa F) too small mixing to produce DM via non-resonantly enhanced oscillations

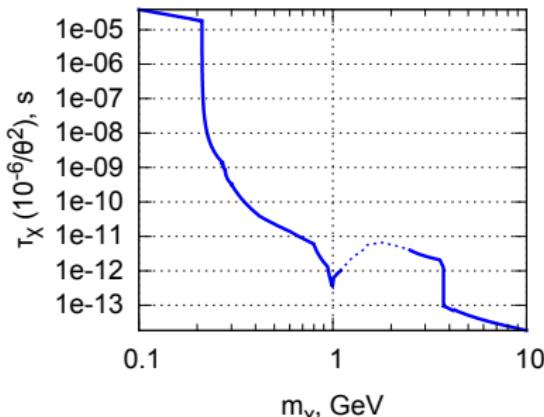
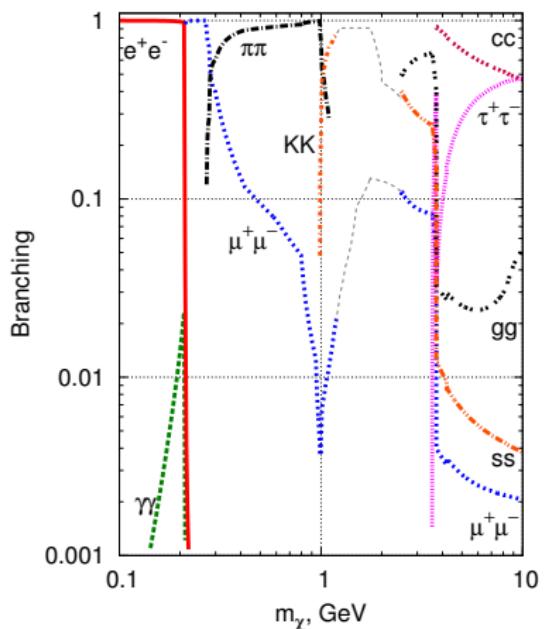
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Inflaton decays and lifetime

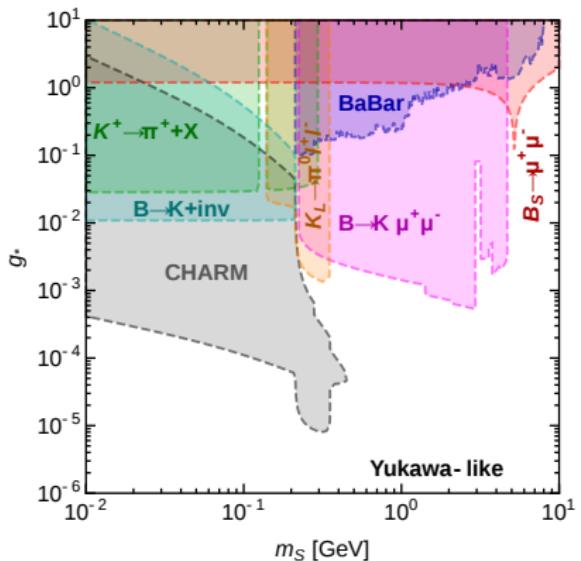
Coupled to everything proportional particle mass



Created in meson decays:

$$\text{Br}(B \rightarrow \chi X_s) \simeq 10^{-6} \frac{\beta(\xi)}{1.5 \times 10^{-13}} \frac{300 \text{ MeV}^2}{m_\chi}$$

Experimental searches are possible



Behaves as light “Higgs” boson, suppressed by

$$\theta = \sqrt{2\beta} v / m_\chi$$

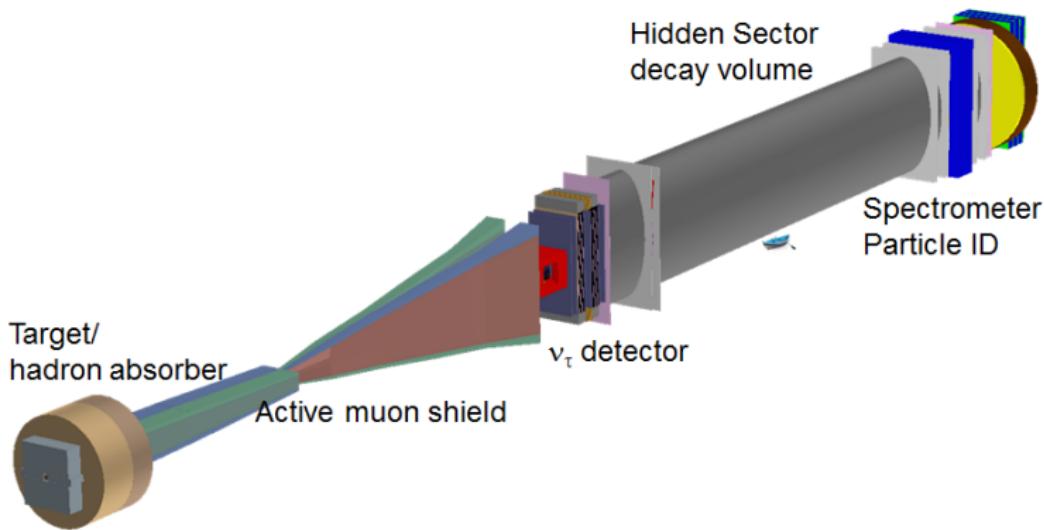
- Created in meson decays
- Decays: KK , $\pi\pi$, $\mu\mu$, ee , ...
- Interacts with media: extremely weakly

Search (LHCb, Belle)

- Events with offset vertices in B decays
- Peaks in Daltiz plot of three body B decays

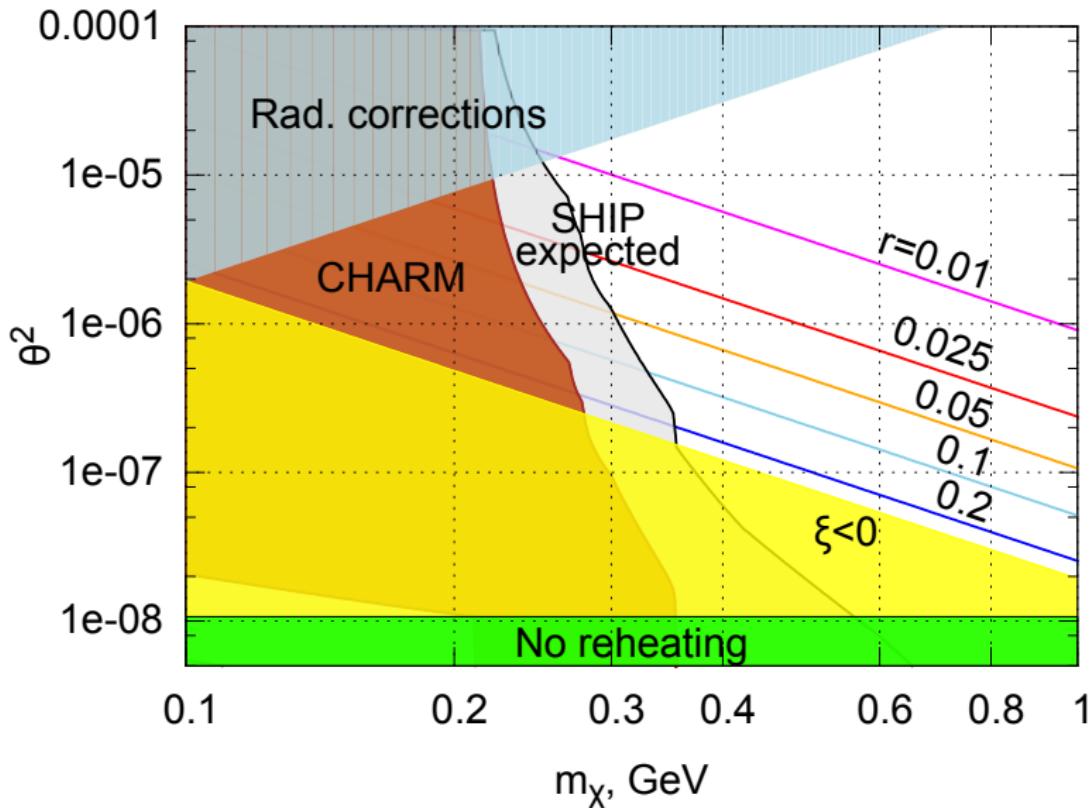
Search in beam target SHiP facility

proposed in CERN using SPS beam



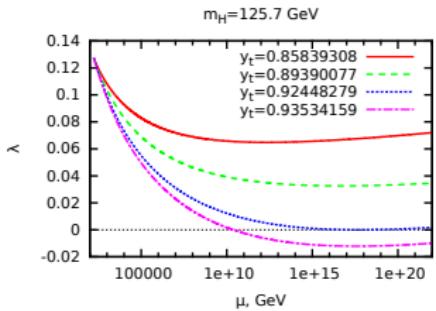
Search for decays of produced particle in empty volume
Existing bounds – CHARM (similar experiment at SPS)

Longer lifetimes are excluded by CHARM

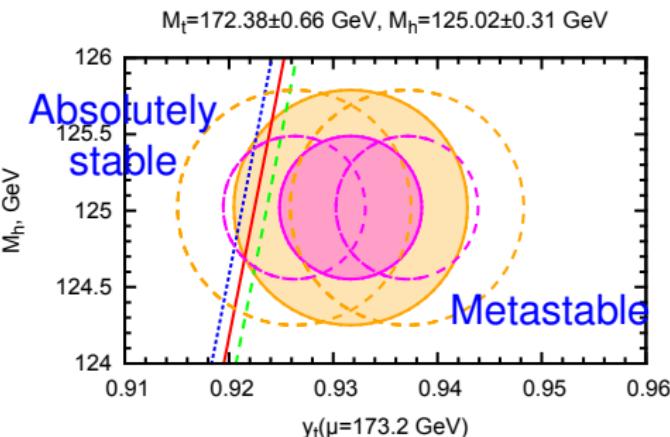


Another prediction: EW vacuum should be stable

- Inflation proceeds along $H^\dagger H = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} X^2$
- The Higgs self-coupling λ : must be positive up to inflationary scales



Experimental values for y_t



- Measurement of top quark Yukawa is needed!
 - Lepton collider – TLEP, ILC?

[FB, Kalmykov, Kniehl,, Shaposhnikov'12,
Degrassi, Di Vita, Elias-Miro, Espinosa, Giudice, Isidori,, Strumia'12]

Conclusions

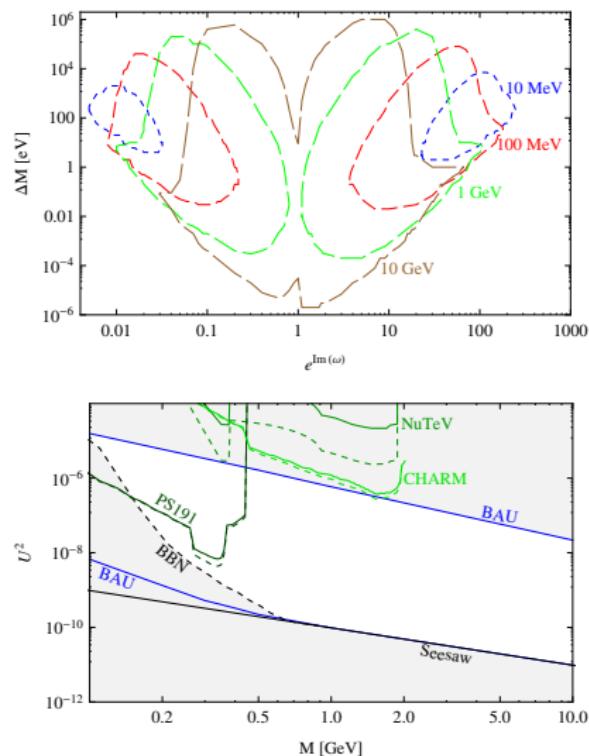
- A minimal model without any new scales can
 - Fully describe the Universe
 - Can be constrained from a *combination* of cosmological and laboratory experiments
- Example: light non-minimally coupled inflaton
 - Searches in cosmology and astrophysics:
 - measurement of r (many experiments out there)
 - search for DM decays in X-rays (ASTRO-H)
 - Searches in the laboratory
 - Inflaton – search in rare decays of B (LHCb, SHIP)
 - Sterile neutrinos – no large neutrinoless double beta decay, search in rare decays, SHIP
 - Top quark Yukawa (and Higgs boson mass) – TLEP, ILC

Constraints and searches for heavier sterile $N_{2,3}$

ν MSM with inflaton decay into DM

- Leptogenesis by $N_{2,3}$
 $\Delta M/M \sim 10^{-3}$
- Experimental searches
 - $N_{2,3}$ production in hadron decays:
 - Missing energy in K decays
 - Peaks in Dalitz plot
 - $N_{2,3}$ decays into SM
 - Beam target experiments – SHIP

[Gorbunov, Shaposhnikov'07]



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