

A Consistent Calculation of Sommerfeld Effect

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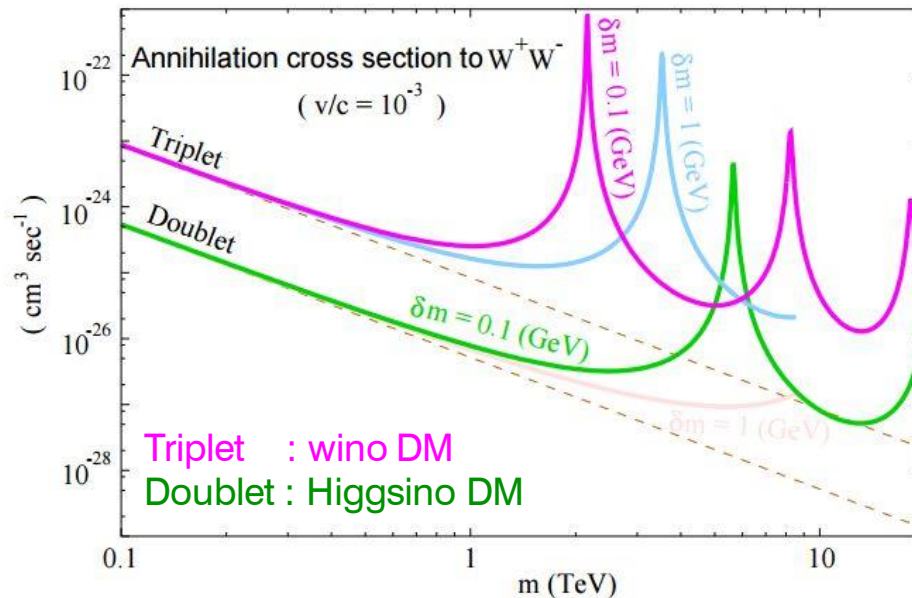
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Sommerfeld enhancement

[Sommerfeld (1931)]

[Hisano, Matsumoto, Nojiri (2003)]

If dark matter couples with a **light force carrier** ($m_{force} \ll m_{DM}$),
There is **large enhancement** of the cross section in non-relativistic regime.



Dotted lines : LO results
Solid lines : Resummed results

[Hisano, Matsumoto, Nojiri (2003)]

Non-perturbative resummation is required to calculate this effect.

“Usual” way to calculate and its problem

See, e.g., [Hisano, Matsumoto, Nojiri, Saito (2004)], [Cirelli, Strumia, Tamburini (2007)]

Long range force distorts wave function from plane-wave.

1. Solve Schrodinger Eq. with long-range force ($V(r) \sim \exp(-m_{force}r)/r$)

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu}\nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{p^2}{2\mu}\right)\psi(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \psi \rightarrow e^{ipz} + f(\theta)\frac{e^{ipr}}{r}$$

2. Compare the result with $V(r) = 0$ \longrightarrow $\sigma = \sigma_0 \times S(v)$

LO cross section : σ_0

Enhancement factor : $S(v) = |\psi(\mathbf{0})|^2/|\psi_0(\mathbf{0})|^2$ with $\psi_0(x) = e^{ipz}$

σ_0 and $S(v)$ are irrelevant each other.



Could be inconsistent in some cases

Unitarity bound on s-wave : $\sigma \leq \frac{\pi}{p^2}$ [Griest, Kamionkowski (1992)]
[Landau-Lifshits's textbook]

What is a formula which is consistent with unitarity bound?

Our calculation

Correct calculation in QM gives consistent answer.

1. Annihilation effect is taken as delta function potential with complex coefficient u .

$$V_{eff}(\mathbf{x}) = V(\mathbf{x}) + u\delta^3(\mathbf{x})$$

2. Solve the Schrodinger equation:

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu}\nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{x}) + u\delta^3(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{p^2}{2\mu}\right)\psi(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

3. Determine asymptotic form ($r \rightarrow \infty$) of s-wave solution :

$$\psi(r) \rightarrow S_0 \frac{e^{ipr}}{r} - \frac{e^{-ipr}}{r}$$

4. Calculate the cross section from the above S_0 .

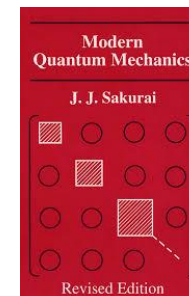
$$\sigma_{sc} = \frac{\pi}{p^2} |S_0 - 1|^2, \quad \sigma_{ann} = \frac{\pi}{p^2} (1 - |S_0|^2)$$

DM-DM elastic scattering

DM-DM annihilation

What we need is s-wave solution.

See also



etc.

Solving the Schrodinger equation

c.f. [Jackiw (1992)]

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu}\nabla^2 + V(|\mathbf{x}|) + u\delta^3(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{p^2}{2\mu}\right)\psi(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

Wave function w/o short range effect :

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu}\nabla^2 + V(|\mathbf{x}|) - \frac{p^2}{2\mu}\right)\psi_0(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$



Write ψ by ψ_0 and Green's function $G(\mathbf{x}, 0)$

Green's function :

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu}\nabla^2 + V(|\mathbf{x}|) - \frac{p^2}{2\mu}\right)G_p(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \frac{1}{2\mu}\delta^3(\mathbf{x}), \quad G_p(\infty, 0) \propto \frac{e^{ipr}}{4\pi r}$$

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}) = \psi_0(\mathbf{x}) - 2\mu u G_p(\mathbf{x}, 0)\psi(0)$$



solve a consistency condition at $x = 0$.

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}) = \psi_0(\mathbf{x}) - G_p(\mathbf{x}, 0)\psi_0(0)\left(\frac{1}{2\mu u} + G_p(0, 0)\right)^{-1}$$



Renormalize coupling u ($G_p(0, 0)$ is divergent)

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}) = \psi_0(\mathbf{x}) - G_p(\mathbf{x}, 0)\psi_0(0)\left(\frac{k_{p_0}}{4\pi} - \text{Re}G_{p_0}(0, 0) + G_p(0, 0)\right)^{-1}$$

Asymptotic behavior and cross sections

$$\psi(\infty) \propto \frac{1}{r} \left(\underbrace{\frac{d_p k_{p_0} - \operatorname{Re} g'_{p_0}(0) + g_p'^*(0)}{d_p^* k_{p_0} - \operatorname{Re} g'_{p_0}(0) + g_p'(0)}} e^{ipr} - e^{-ipr} \right)$$

amplitude of DM-DM s-wave scattering S_0



$$G_p(x, 0) = \frac{g_p(x)}{4\pi x} \quad \text{with } g_p(0) = 1, \quad g_p(x) \rightarrow d_p e^{ipx}$$

We can take $\psi_0(x) = c \operatorname{Im} G_p(x, 0)$

$$\sigma_{sc} = \frac{4\pi}{p^2} \left| \frac{1 - S_0}{2i} \right|^2, \quad \sigma_{ann} = \frac{4\pi}{p^2} \frac{1 - |S_0|^2}{4}$$

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We have checked our formula is consistent with

- $\sigma_{ann} = \sigma_0 \times S(v)$ at the leading order of σ_0
- $\sigma_{sc} \propto v^0, \sigma_{ann} \propto v^{-1}$ for large v .

A formula of annihilation cross section

$$\sigma v \simeq \frac{\sigma v_0 S(v)}{\left| 1 + \left(\eta \sqrt{\frac{\mu^2 \sigma_{sc,0}}{4\pi} - \left(\frac{\mu^2 \sigma v_0}{4\pi} \right)^2} - i \frac{\mu^2 \sigma v_0}{4\pi} \right) (T(v) + iS(v)) v \right|^2}$$

Short-range physics

σv_0 : LO annihilation cross section

$\sigma_{sc,0}$: LO DM-DM elastic scattering cross section

$$\eta = \text{sgn} k_{p_0}^{-1}$$

It is determined by matching the scattering amplitude
It is relevant that short-range force is attractive / repulsive.

Long-range physics

$$S(v) = \frac{1}{p} \text{Im} g'_p(0) \quad (\text{"usual" Sommerfeld factor})$$

$$T(v) = \frac{1}{p} [\text{Re} g'_p(0) - \text{Re} g'_{p_0}(0)]$$

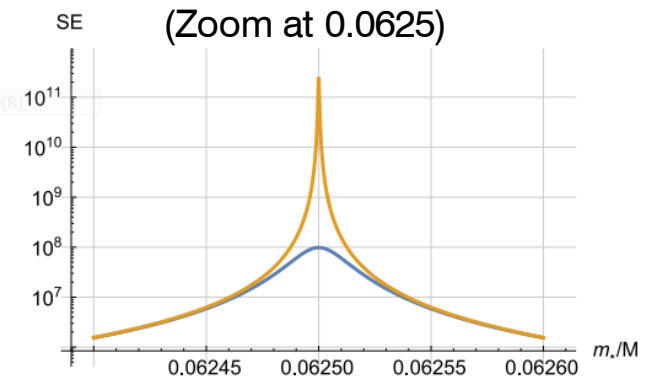
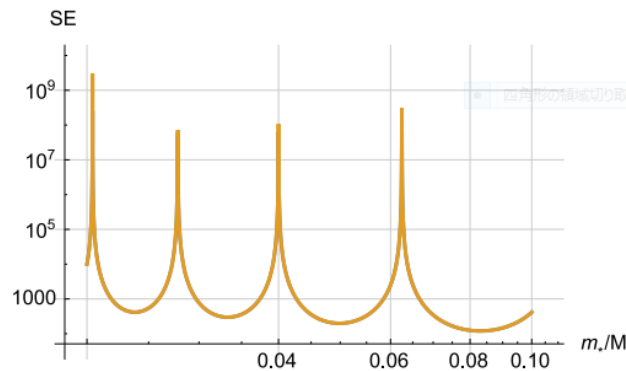
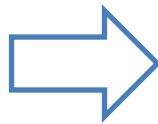
$$\text{where } \left(-\frac{1}{2\mu} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + V(r) - \frac{p^2}{2\mu} \right) g_p(r) = 0, \quad g_p(0) = 1$$

Example 1 (small bare cross section)

Hulthen potential : $V(r) = -\frac{\alpha m_* e^{-m_* r}}{1 - e^{-m_* r}}$ (Good approximation of $V(r) = -\frac{\alpha e^{-mr}}{r}$, $m_* = \frac{\pi^2}{6} m$)

$$\alpha = 1, \quad \sigma_{ann} v = \frac{1}{32\pi M^2}, \quad \sigma_{sc} = \frac{\mu^2}{4\pi} (\sigma_{ann} v)^2$$

$$v = 10^{-6}$$



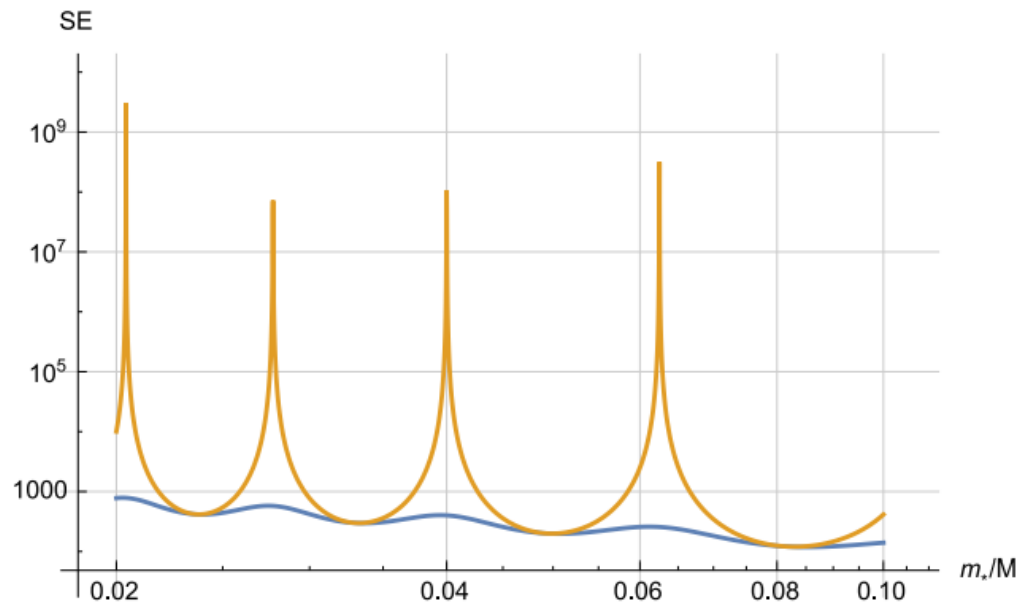
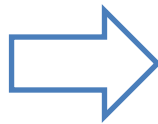
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Example 2 (large bare cross section)

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$$\alpha = 1, \quad \sigma v = \frac{2\pi}{M^2}, \quad \sigma_{sc} = \frac{\mu^2}{4\pi} (\sigma v)^2$$

$$v = 10^{-6}$$



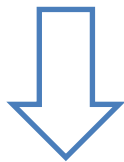
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Summary

- Solved Schrodinger Eq with **long-range potential** and **delta function potential**.
- Constructed DM annihilation cross section from non-relativistic QM.
- Our formula satisfies the unitarity bound.

$$S_0 = \frac{d_p k_{p_0} - \text{Re} g'_{p_0}(0) + g_p'^*(0)}{d_p^* k_{p_0} - \text{Re} g'_{p_0}(0) + g_p'(0)}$$

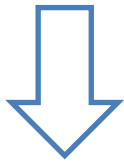


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Backup

Large momentum limit (determination of k)

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$$\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + V(r) - \frac{p^2}{2\mu} \right) g_p(r) = 0$$

$$g_p(0) = 1, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} e^{-ipr} g_p(r) = d_p$$

Large momentum limit ($p^2 \gg |2\mu V|$)

$$d_p \rightarrow 1, \quad g_p' \rightarrow ip$$

and for small coupling ($|k_{p_0}^{-1}| \ll p^{-1}, p_0^{-1}$),

$$\sigma_{sc} \rightarrow 4\pi |k_{p_0}^{-1}|^2, \quad \sigma_{ann} \rightarrow \frac{4\pi}{p} \frac{\text{Im}k_{p_0}}{|k_{p_0}|^2}$$

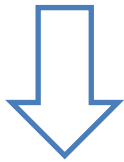


$$\text{Re}k_{p_0}^{-1} \simeq \pm \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{sc}}{4\pi} - \left(\frac{\mu\sigma_{ann}v}{4\pi} \right)^2}$$

$$\text{Im}k_{p_0}^{-1} \simeq -\frac{\mu\sigma_{ann}v}{4\pi}$$

Relation with conventional formulae

$$S_0 = \frac{d_p k_{p_0} - \text{Re}g'_{p_0}(0) + g_p'^*(0)}{d_p^* k_{p_0} - \text{Re}g'_{p_0}(0) + g_p'(0)}$$



$$\sigma_{ann} = \frac{4\pi}{p^2} \frac{1 - |S_0|^2}{4} = \frac{4\pi}{p^2} \frac{\text{Im}k_{p_0} \text{Im}g'_p(0)}{|k_{p_0} - \text{Re}g'_{p_0} + g'_p(0)|^2}$$

At the leading order of k^{-1} (or u),

$$\sigma v \simeq \frac{4\pi}{\mu} \frac{\text{Im}k_{p_0}}{|k_{p_0}|^2} \times \frac{\text{Im}g'_p(0)}{p}$$



$$\sigma v \simeq (\sigma v)_0 \times S(v)$$

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$$g_p(0) = 1, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} e^{-ipr} g_p(r) = d_p$$

$$W_p(r) \equiv \frac{1}{2i} (g_p^*(r) g'_p(r) - g_p(r) g_p'^*(r))$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} W_p'(r) = 0 \\ W_p(0) = \text{Im}g'_p(0) \\ W_p(\infty) = p|d_p|^2 \end{array} \right. \rightarrow \frac{1}{p} \text{Im}g'_p(0) = |d_p|^2 = S(v)$$

Finite piece of Green function

$$G_p(r, 0) = \frac{g_p(r)}{4\pi r} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left(-\frac{d^2}{dr^2} + 2\mu V(r) - p^2 \right) g_p(r) = 0 \\ g_p(0) = 0, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} g_p(r) e^{-ipr} = d_p \end{array} \right.$$

$$2\mu V(r) = \frac{V_{-1}}{r} + V_0 + V_1 r + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} g_p(r) = (1 + g_1 r + \dots) + V_{-1}(r + h_2 r^2 + \dots) \log r \\ G_p(r, 0) = \frac{1}{4\pi r} + \frac{V_{-1}}{4\pi} \log r + \frac{g_1}{4\pi} + \dots \end{array} \right.$$

Divergent parts Finite parts

Finite part of $G_p(0, 0)$ is only in real part and it is independent on p .

$G_p(0, 0) - \text{Re}G_{p_0}(0, 0)$ is finite for any p and p_0

Regularization velocity

Full Sommerfeld factor is approximated by shifting velocity.

$$\frac{\sigma v}{\sigma v_0} \simeq S(v + v_c),$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_c &= \frac{\alpha m M \sigma v_0}{4\pi} \\ &\approx 2 \times 10^{-3} \alpha \left(\frac{M}{10 \text{ TeV}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{m/M}{0.1} \right) \left(\frac{\sigma v_0}{3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}} \right) \end{aligned}$$