

Phase Transitions & Gravitational Waves in the \mathbb{Z}_3 Pseudo-Goldstone Dark Matter

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2 Dark Matter Exists...

- Dark matter constitutes 27% of the energy content of the Universe
- Plenty of evidence: rotation curves of galaxies, the CMB, cosmological large scale structure, Bullet Cluster

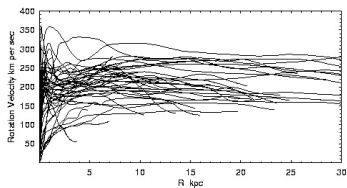
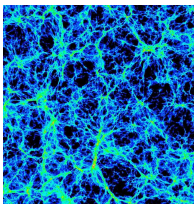
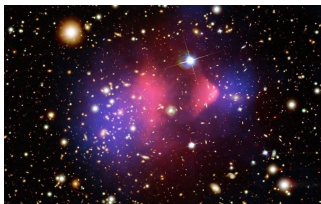


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Sofue et al. (1999)

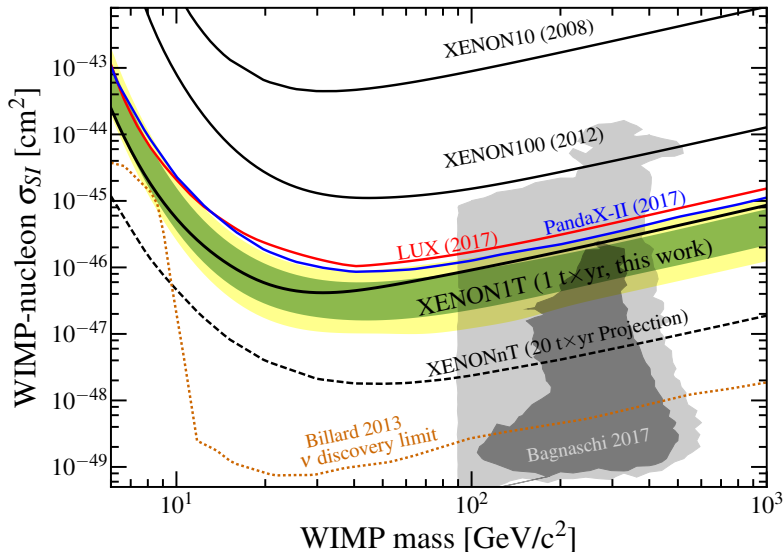


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3 ...But Has Not Been Detected



4 Motivation

- Direct detection puts strong bounds on usual WIMP dark matter
- Is there something else or does the WIMP still work?
- Pseudo-Goldstone dark matter produces a negligible direct detection signal
Gross, Lebedev, Toma, arXiv:1708.02253
- Can it produce gravitational wave signals via first-order cosmic phase transitions?

5 Pseudo-Goldstone Dark Matter

- Higgs boson H and complex singlet S
- V is invariant under $U(1)$ symmetry $S \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} S$,
broken only softly (e.g. into \mathbb{Z}_2)
- Breaking $U(1)$ by a vacuum expectation value for s produces a pseudo-Goldstone particle
Chiang, Ramsey-Musolf, Senaha, arXiv:1707.09960;
Gross, Lebedev, Toma, arXiv:1708.02253
- Lots of phenomenological interest
Alanne, Heikinheimo, Keus, Koivunen, Tuominen, arXiv:1812.05996;
Huitu, Koivunen, Lebedev, Mondal, Toma, arXiv:1812.05952

6 Pseudo-Goldstone Dark Matter

$$V = V_0 + V_{\text{soft}}$$

with

$$V_0 = \frac{1}{2}\mu_H^2|H|^2 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_S^2|S|^2 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_H|H|^4 \\ + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_{HS}|H|^2|S|^2 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_S|S|^4$$

- For explicit $U(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$ breaking,

$$V_{\text{soft}} = \frac{1}{4}\mu_S'^2(S^2 + S^{*2})$$

- This \mathbb{Z}_2 is $S \rightarrow -S$
- *Another* \mathbb{Z}_2 symmetry: $S \rightarrow S^\dagger$

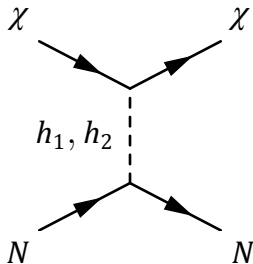
7 Pseudo-Goldstone Dark Matter

In our vacuum, we decompose the fields as

$$S = \frac{v_s + s + i\chi}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{v_h + h}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

- \mathbb{Z}_2 symmetry $S \rightarrow S^\dagger$ the same as $\chi \rightarrow -\chi$
- Pseudo-Goldstone χ is dark matter
- h and s mix into $h_1 \equiv h_{\text{SM}}$ and h_2
- $v_h = v = 246.22 \text{ GeV}$, $m_1 = m_h = 125.09 \text{ GeV}$

8 Direct Detection



$$\propto \sin \theta \cos \theta \left(\frac{m_2^2}{t - m_2^2} - \frac{m_1^2}{t - m_1^2} \right) \simeq 0$$

- Dark matter χ interacts with SM particles *only* via h_1 and h_2
- Amplitude suppressed by small transfer momentum t

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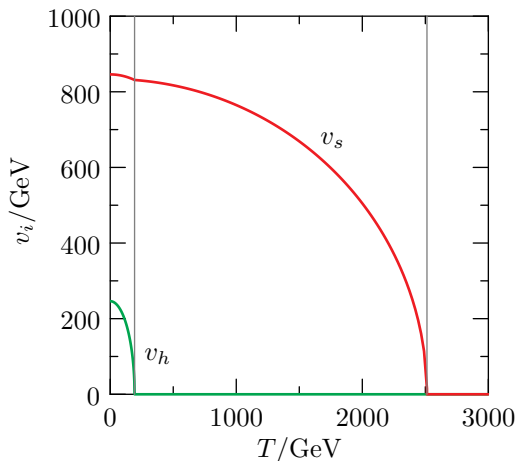
- Amplitude suppressed by small transfer momentum t
- Small contribution at one-loop level

Ishiwata & Toma, arXiv:1810.08139;

Azevedo, Duch, Grzadkowski, Huang, Iglicki, Santos, arXiv:1810.06105

IO Pseudo-Goldstone Dark Matter

- In the original pseudo-Goldstone dark matter model, all phase transitions are *second-order*



II \mathbb{Z}_3 Complex Scalar Singlet Model

The scalar potential

$$V = \mu_H^2 |H|^2 + \lambda_H |H|^4 + \mu_S^2 |S|^2 + \lambda_S |S|^4 \\ + \lambda_{SH} |S|^2 |H|^2 + \frac{\mu_3}{2} (S^3 + S^{\dagger 3})$$

is invariant under the \mathbb{Z}_3 transformation

- The Higgs doublet $H \rightarrow H$
- $S \rightarrow e^{i2\pi/3} S$

and also under $S \rightarrow S^\dagger$

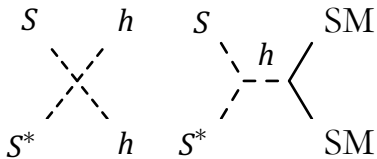
- Explicit breaking $U(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_3$

Ma, arXiv:0708.3371; Bélanger, K.K., Pukhov, Raidal, arXiv:1211.1014; Arcadi, Queiroz & Siqueira, arXiv:1706.02336; Cai & Spray, arXiv:1807.00832; Hektor, Hryczyk, K.K., arXiv:1901.08074

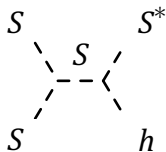
I2 \mathbb{Z}_3 Complex Scalar Singlet Model

- Two phases that produce a dark matter candidate
- \mathbb{Z}_3 symmetry stabilises S as a dark matter candidate
- If \mathbb{Z}_3 is broken, the $S \rightarrow S^\dagger$ symmetry still stabilises the imaginary part χ of S

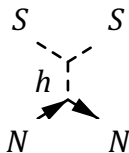
I3 Phenomenology with *Unbroken* \mathbb{Z}_3



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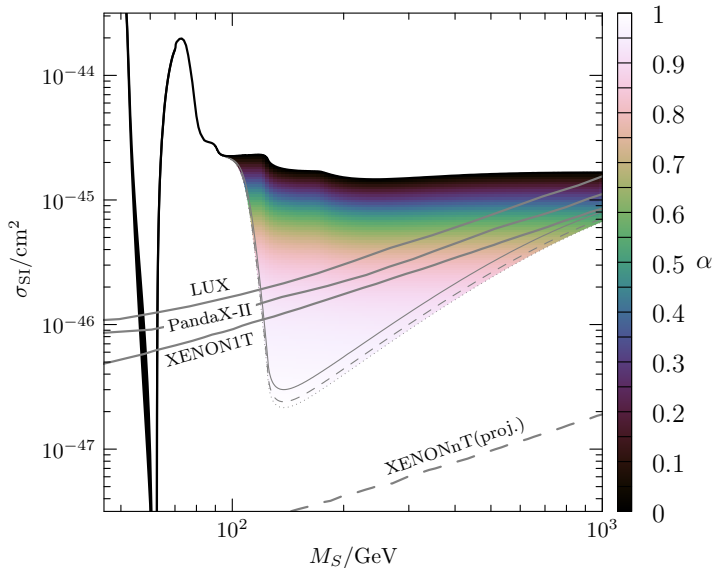


semi-annihilation



direct detection

I4 Direct Detection with *Unbroken* \mathbb{Z}_3



15 Minima & Masses

The stationary point conditions are

$$\begin{aligned}h(2\lambda_H h^2 + 2\mu_H^2 + \lambda_{SH} s^2) &= 0, \\s(4\lambda_S s^2 + 3\sqrt{2}\mu_3 s + 4\mu_S^2 + 2\lambda_{SH} h^2) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- Fully symmetric $(0, 0)$
- EW-symmetry-breaking $(v_h, 0)$
- $U(1)$ -breaking $(0, v_s)$
- Mixed (v_h, v_s)

I6 Minimum & Masses

- h and s mix into $h_1 \equiv h_{\text{SM}}$ and h_2
- $v_h \equiv v = 246.22 \text{ GeV}$, $m_1 = m_h = 125.09 \text{ GeV}$
- The mass of the pseudoscalar χ is

$$m_\chi^2 = -\frac{9}{2\sqrt{2}}\mu_3 v_s$$

I7 Constraints

- Unitarity & perturbativity
- Vacuum stability
- Globality of the (v_h, v_s) vacuum
- Dark matter relic density

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} = 0.120 \pm 0.001$$

Planck Collaboration, arXiv:1807.06209

- Higgs invisible $BR_{\text{inv}} < 0.17$ from
 $h_1 \rightarrow \chi\chi$ and $h_1 \rightarrow h_2 h_2$

- Mixing angle of h and s
 $|\sin \theta| < 0.5$ for $m_2 < m_1$ and
 $|\sin \theta| < 0.36$ for $m_2 > m_1$

Robens & Stefaniak, arXiv:1601.07880

I8 Higgs Invisible Width

If $m_x \leq m_h/2$, then Higgs invisible width

$$\Gamma_{h_1 \rightarrow xx} = \frac{g_{hxx}^2}{32\pi m_h} \sqrt{1 - 4 \frac{m_x^2}{m_h^2}}$$

and

$$\text{BR}_{\text{inv}} = \frac{\Gamma_{h_1 \rightarrow \chi\chi} + \Gamma_{h_1 \rightarrow h_2 h_2}}{\Gamma_{h_1 \rightarrow \text{SM}} + \Gamma_{h_1 \rightarrow \chi\chi} + \Gamma_{h_1 \rightarrow h_2 h_2}}$$

with

$$g_{h_1 \chi\chi} = \frac{m_h^2 + m_\chi^2}{v_S}, \quad g_{h_1 h_2 h_2} = \frac{1}{v v_S} \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} m_h^2 + m_2^2 \right) \right. \\ \left. \times (v \cos \theta + v_S \sin \theta) + \frac{1}{6} v m_\chi^2 \cos \theta \right] \sin 2\theta$$

I9 Globality of the (ν_h, ν_s) Vacuum

Globality of the (ν_h, ν_s) vacuum implies that

$$m_\chi^2 < \frac{9m_1^2 m_2^2}{m_1^2 \cos^2 \theta + m_2^2 \sin^2 \theta}$$

- For $\sin \theta \approx 0$, $m_\chi \lesssim 3m_2$

20 Thermal Corrections

In the high temperature approximation, the mass terms acquire thermal corrections:

$$\mu_H^2(T) = \mu_H^2 + c_H T^2, \quad \mu_S^2(T) = \mu_H^2 + c_S T^2$$

with the coefficients

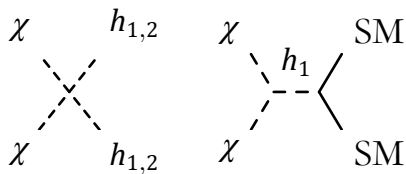
$$c_H = \frac{1}{48}(9g^2 + 3g'^2 + 12y_t^2 + 24\lambda_H + 4\lambda_{SH}),$$

$$c_S = \frac{1}{6}(2\lambda_S + \lambda_{SH})$$

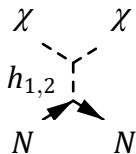
2I Parameter Space Scan

- Free parameters m_χ , m_2 , $\sin \theta$ and v_s
- Fix v_s by relic density
- $m_\chi \in [25, 1000]$ GeV
- $m_2 \in [25, 4000]$ GeV
- $\sin \theta \in [-0.5, 0.5]$ GeV
- We use micrOMEGAs for relic density and CosmoTransitions for phase transitions

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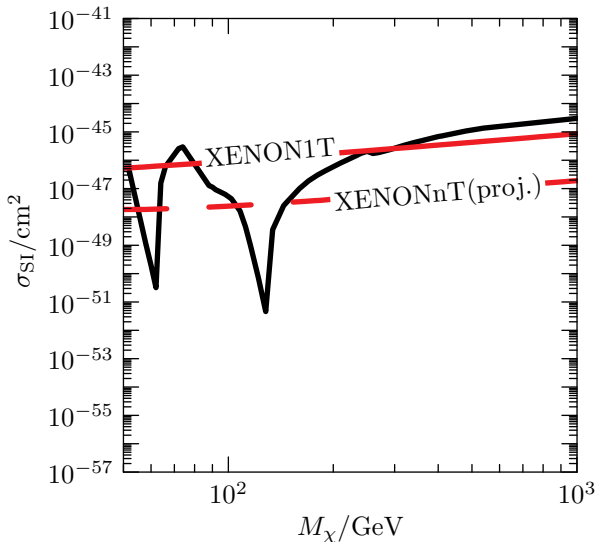


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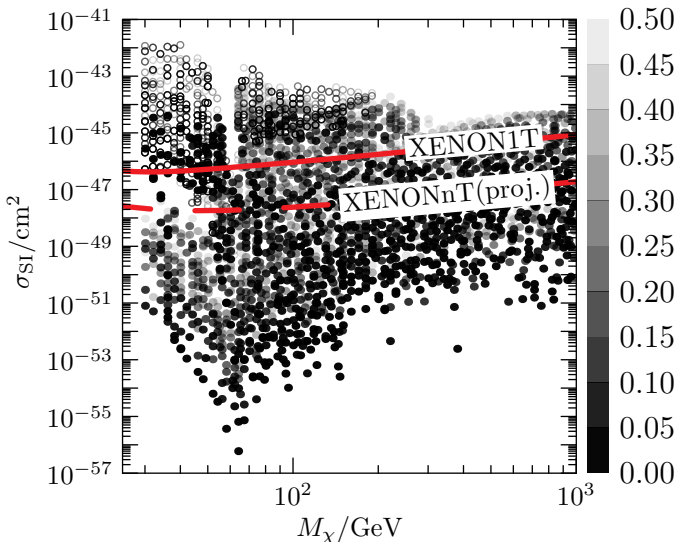
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- $m_2 = 250$ GeV, $\sin \theta = 0.2$
- Resonances at $m_h/2$ and $m_2/2$

24 Direct Detection



- σ_{SI} roughly proportional to μ_3

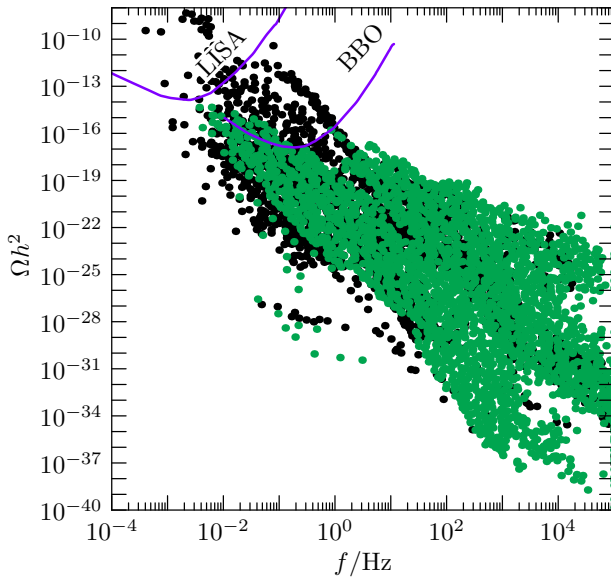
25 Gravitational Wave Signals

- First-order phase transitions produce a gravitational wave signal

E.g. Weir, arXiv:1705.01783

- Largest signals due to the $(0, 0) \rightarrow (0, v_s)$ transition because of the cubic barrier

26 Gravitational Wave Signals



27 Conclusions

- Direct detection puts strong bounds on WIMP dark matter
- Pseudo-Goldstone dark matter has a suppressed direct detection cross section
- \mathbb{Z}_3 pseudo-Goldstone model has first-order phase transitions and can produce a potentially measurable stochastic gravitational wave background