

Gravitino Thermal Production

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[Helmut Eberl, Ioannis Gialamas, VCS, arXiv 2010.14621 (to appear in PRD)]

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Gravitino as DM

- **Gravitino is the $s=3/2$ superpartner of graviton. Naturally is in the spectrum of any SUGRA model** [Ellis, Hagelin, Nanopoulos, Olive, Srednicki (1983), Khlopov, Linde (1984)]
- **The “classic” freeze-in DM candidate particle**
- **Naturally escapes all the direct and indirect DM searches**
- **Can be produced non-thermally: (i) inflaton decays** [Giudice, Riotto, Tkachev (1999); Kallosh, Kofman, Linde, Van Proeyen (2000); Nilles, Peloso, Sorbo (2001), Endo, Kawasaki, Takahashi, Yanagida (2006)] **(ii) decays from unstable particles, eg NLSP decays in GDM models** [Cyburt, Ellis, Field, Olive, VSC (2006); Kawasaki, Kohri, Moroi, Yotsuyanagi (2008)]
- **In the later case the BBN constraints should be applied** [Cyburt, Ellis, Field, Luo, Olive, VSC (2012)]
- **In any case the thermal gravitino production rate is vital to apply cosmological constraints**

Background of the calculation

- **Effective theory of light gravitinos, only 1/2 goldstino components**, [Ellis, Kim, Nanopoulos (1984); Moroi, Murayama, Yamagushi, Kawasaki (1993,1994)]
- **Use of Braaten, Pisarski, Yuan method, including 3/2 components** [Ellis, Nanopoulos, Olive, Rey (1996); Bolz, Buchmuller, Plumacher, Brandenburg (1998,2001); Pradler, Steffen (2007)]
- **Full 1-loop beyond HTL approximation** [Rychkov, Strumia (2007)]
- **Our calculation: corrections of errors and proper parametrisation of the result** [Eberl, Gialamas, VCS, arXiv 2010.14621 (to appear in PRD)]

The setup of the calculation

The Braaten-Yuan prescription

[Braaten, Pisarski, Yuan (1990,1991)]

$$\gamma = \gamma|_{\text{hard}}^{k^* < k} + \gamma|_{\text{soft}}^{k^* > k}$$

where $gT \ll k^* \ll T$ assuming $g \ll 1$

Hard part is calculated from squared matrix elements

$$|\mathcal{M}(ab \rightarrow c\tilde{G})|^2$$

Soft part is calculated from Imaginary part of the gravitino self-energy

$$\gamma|_{\text{hard}}^{k^* < k} = A_{\text{hard}} + B \ln\left(\frac{T}{k^*}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma|_{\text{soft}}^{k^* > k} = A_{\text{soft}} + B' \ln\left(\frac{k^*}{m_{\text{thermal}}}\right)$$

Thus

$$\gamma_{\text{BY}} = \frac{3\zeta(3)}{16\pi^3} \frac{T^6}{M_{\text{P}}^2} \sum_{N=1}^3 c'_N g_N^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_{\lambda_N}^2}{3m_{3/2}^2} \right) \ln \left(\frac{k'_N}{g_N} \right)$$

$$c'_N = (11, 27, 72) \quad , \quad k'_N = (1.266, 1.312, 1.271) \quad \text{[Pradler, Steffen (2007)]}$$

Analytical result, but valid only for $g \ll 1$

where $\gamma|_{\text{soft}}$ is calculated in the Hard Thermal Loop (HTL) approx

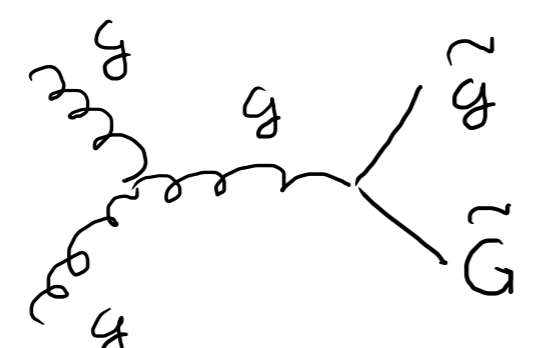
The condition $g(T) \ll 1$ is not satisfied in the whole temperature range
especially if $g = g_3$

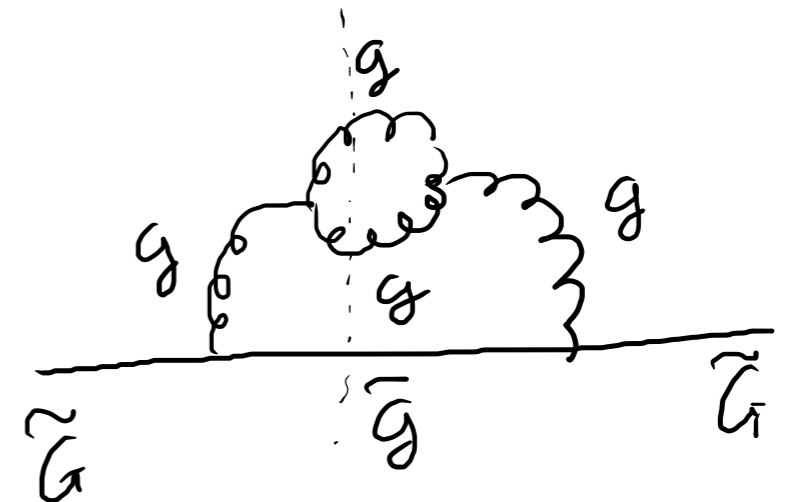
Beyond the HTL approx

- ▶ **Calculate the full 1-loop gravitino self-energy beyond HTL approximation**
- ▶ **Calculate the so-called subtracted part of the $|\mathcal{M}|^2$** [Rychkov, Strumia (2007)]

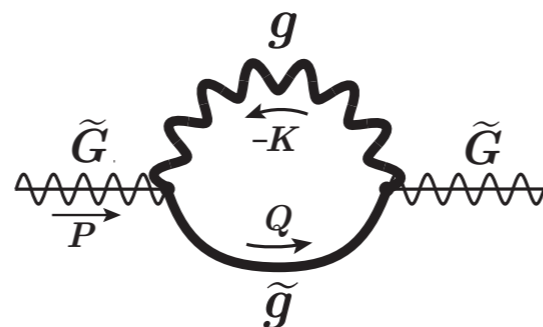
The subtracted part of the squared amplitude is this that cannot be part of the gravitino self-energy

For example if $X: gg \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{G}$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{X,s}|^2 = \left| \text{diagram} \right|^2 \text{ related to}$$




which is part of



(D-graph)

where thick lines denote resummed thermal propagators

Thus $\gamma_{3/2} = \gamma_{\text{sub}} + \gamma_{\text{D}} + \gamma_{\text{top}}$

X	process	$ \mathcal{M}_{X,\text{full}} ^2$	$ \mathcal{M}_{X,\text{sub}} ^2$
A	$gg \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{G}$	$4C_3(s + 2t + 2t^2/s)$	$-2sC_3$
B	$g\tilde{g} \rightarrow g\tilde{G}$	$-4C_3(t + 2s + 2s^2/t)$	$2tC_3$
C	$\tilde{q}g \rightarrow q\tilde{G}$	$2sC'_3$	0
D	$gq \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{G}$	$-2tC'_3$	0
E	$\tilde{q}q \rightarrow g\tilde{G}$	$-2tC'_3$	0
F	$\tilde{g}\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{G}$	$8C_3(s^2 + t^2 + u^2)^2/(stu)$	0
G	$q\tilde{g} \rightarrow q\tilde{G}$	$-4C'_3(s + s^2/t)$	0
H	$\tilde{q}\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{G}$	$-2C'_3(t + 2s + 2s^2/t)$	0
I	$q\tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{G}$	$-4C'_3(t + t^2/s)$	0
J	$\tilde{q}\tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{G}$	$2C'_3(s + 2t + 2t^2/s)$	0

Squared matrix elements for gravitino production in $SU(3)_c$ in terms of $g_3^2 Y_3/M_{\text{P}}^2$

$$Y_3 = 1 + m_{\tilde{g}}^2/(3m_{3/2}^2), \quad C_3 = 24 \text{ and } C'_3 = 48$$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{X,\text{full}}|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_{X,s} + \mathcal{M}_{X,t} + \mathcal{M}_{X,u} + \mathcal{M}_{X,x}|^2$$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{X,D}|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_{X,s}|^2 + |\mathcal{M}_{X,t}|^2 + |\mathcal{M}_{X,u}|^2$$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{X,\text{sub}}|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_{X,\text{full}}|^2 - |\mathcal{M}_{X,D}|^2$$

$$\gamma_{\text{sub}}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^8} \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}_a}{2E_a} \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}_b}{2E_b} \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}_c}{2E_c} \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}_{\tilde{G}}}{2E_{\tilde{G}}} |\mathcal{M}|^2 f_a f_b (1 \pm f_c) \times \delta^4(P_a + P_b - P_c - P_{\tilde{G}}) \quad f_{B|F} = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{E}{T}} \mp 1}$$

$$|\mathcal{M}_{A,\text{sub}}|^2 + |\mathcal{M}_{B,\text{sub}}|^2 = \frac{g_N^2}{M_{\text{P}}^2} \left(1 + \frac{m_{\lambda_N}^2}{3m_{3/2}^2} \right) C_N(-s+2t) \quad \text{as taken from the Table with the amplitudes}$$

Performing numerical integration

$$\gamma_{\text{sub}} = \frac{T^6}{M_{\text{P}}^2} \sum_{N=1}^3 g_N^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_{\lambda_N}^2}{3m_{3/2}^2} \right) C_N(-\mathcal{C}_{\text{BBF}}^s + 2\mathcal{C}_{\text{BFB}}^t)$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{\text{BBF}}^s = 0.25957 \times 10^{-3}$$

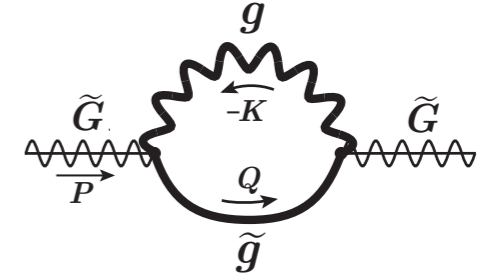
$$\mathcal{C}_{\text{BFB}}^t = -0.13286 \times 10^{-3}.$$

γ_D

$$\Pi^<(P) = \frac{1}{16M_P^2} \sum_{N=1}^3 n_N \left(1 + \frac{m_{\lambda_N}^2}{3m_{3/2}^2} \right) \int \frac{d^4K}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr} \left[\not{P} [K, \gamma^\mu] * S^<(Q) [K, \gamma^\nu] * D_{\mu\nu}^<(K) \right]$$

$$* S^<(Q) = \frac{f_F(q_0)}{2} [(\gamma_0 - \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{q}/q) \rho_+(Q) + (\gamma_0 + \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{q}/q) \rho_-(Q)]$$

$$* D_{\mu\nu}^<(K) = f_B(k_0) \left[\Pi_{\mu\nu}^T \rho_T(K) + \Pi_{\mu\nu}^L \frac{k^2}{K^2} \rho_L(K) + \xi \frac{K_\mu K_\nu}{K^4} \right]$$



$$\gamma_D = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{2p_0(2\pi)^3} \Pi^<(p)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_D = & \frac{1}{4(2\pi)^5 M_P^2} \sum_{N=1}^3 n_N \left(1 + \frac{m_{\lambda_N}^2}{3m_{3/2}^2} \right) \int_0^\infty dp \int_{-\infty}^\infty dk_0 \int_0^\infty dk \int_{|k-p|}^{k+p} dq k f_B(k_0) f_F(q_0) \\ & \times \left[\rho_L(K) \rho_-(Q) (p-q)^2 ((p+q)^2 - k^2) + \rho_L(K) \rho_+(Q) (p+q)^2 (k^2 - (p-q)^2) \right. \\ & + \rho_T(K) \rho_-(Q) (k^2 - (p-q)^2) \left((1 + k_0^2/k^2) (k^2 + (p+q)^2) - 4k_0(p+q) \right) \\ & \left. + \rho_T(K) \rho_+(Q) ((p+q)^2 - k^2) \left((1 + k_0^2/k^2) (k^2 + (p-q)^2) - 4k_0(p-q) \right) \right], \end{aligned}$$

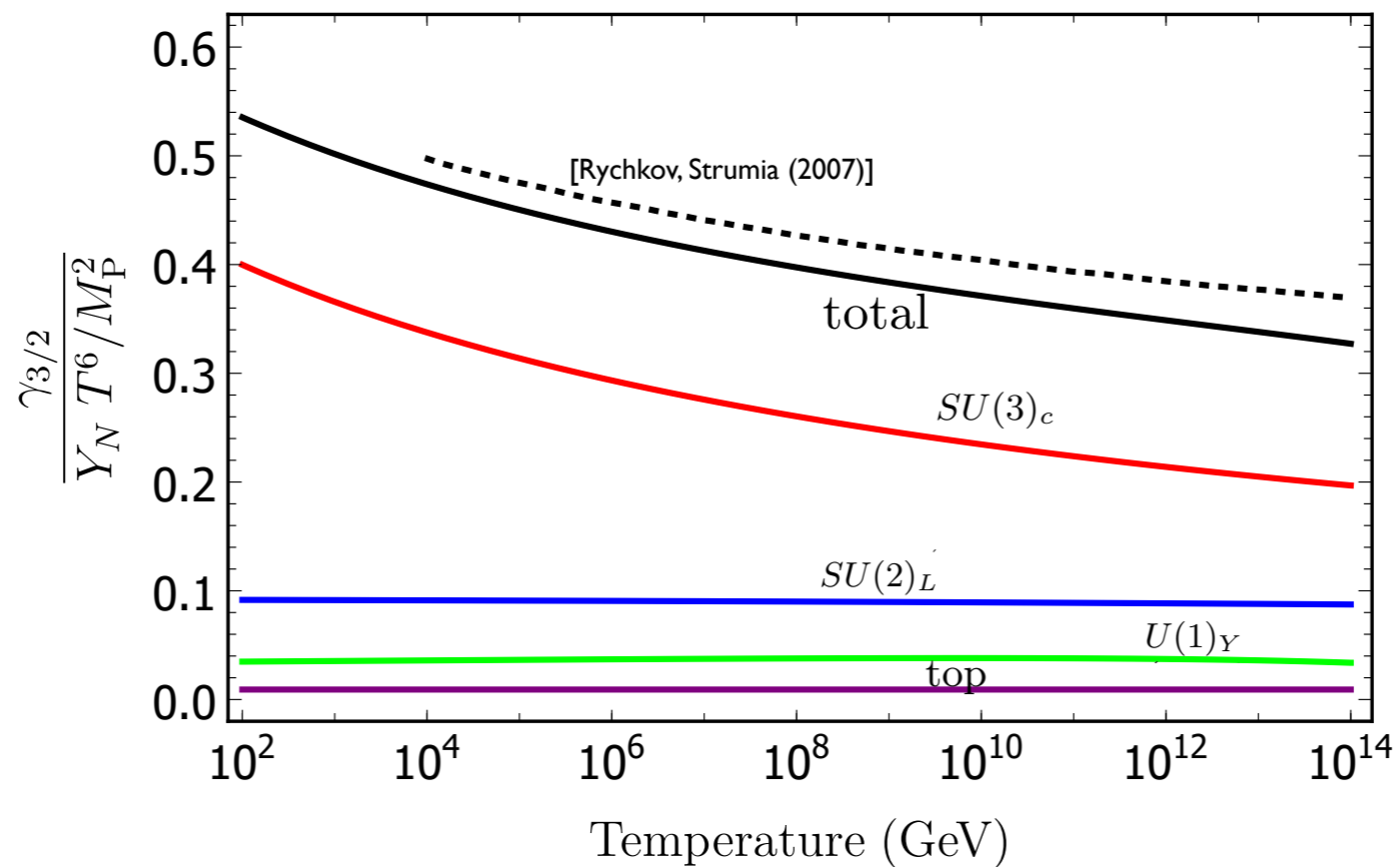
γ_{top}

$$\gamma_{\text{top}} = \frac{T^6}{M_P^2} 72 C_{\text{BBF}}^s \lambda_t^2 \left(1 + \frac{A_t^2}{3m_{3/2}^2} \right) \quad C_{\text{BBF}}^s = 0.25957 \times 10^{-3}.$$

Result and cosmological consequences

$$\gamma_{\text{sub}} + \gamma_{\text{D}} = \frac{3\zeta(3)}{16\pi^3} \frac{T^6}{M_{\text{P}}^2} \sum_{N=1}^3 c_N g_N^2 \left(1 + \frac{m_{\lambda_N}^2}{3m_{3/2}^2} \right) \ln \left(\frac{k_N}{g_N} \right)$$

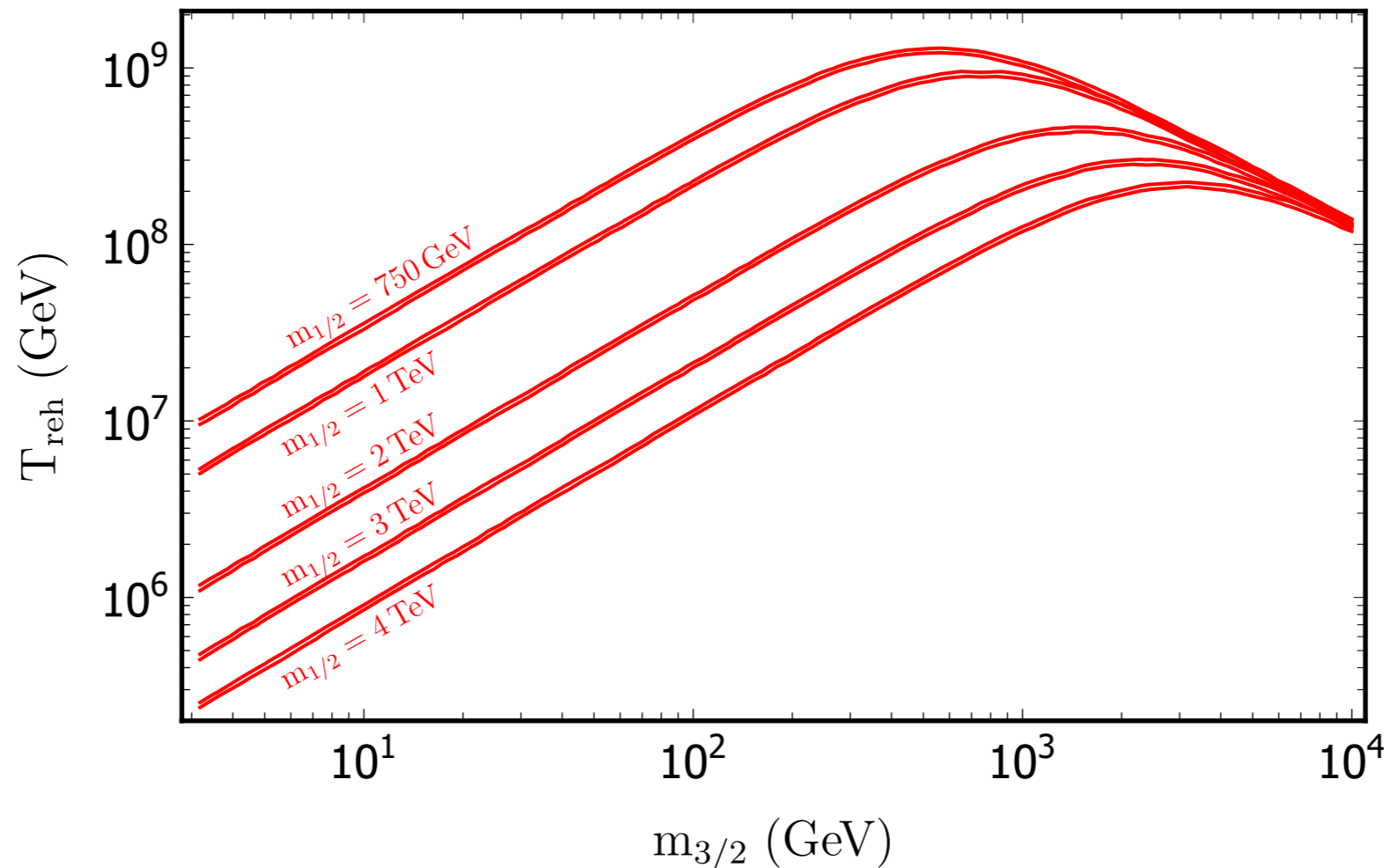
Gauge group	c_N	k_N
$U(1)_Y$	41.937	0.824
$SU(2)_L$	68.228	1.008
$SU(3)_c$	21.067	6.878



Gravitino abundance

$$Y_{3/2}(T) \simeq \frac{\gamma_{3/2}(T_{\text{reh}})}{H(T_{\text{reh}}) n_{\text{rad}}(T_{\text{reh}})} \frac{g_{*s}(T)}{g_{*s}(T_{\text{reh}})}$$

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 = \frac{\rho_{3/2}(t_0) h^2}{\rho_{\text{cr}}} = \frac{m_{3/2} Y_{3/2}(T_0) n_{\text{rad}}(T_0) h^2}{\rho_{\text{cr}}} \simeq 1.33 \times 10^{24} \frac{m_{3/2} \gamma_{3/2}(T_{\text{reh}})}{T_{\text{reh}}^5}$$



Summary

- * Gravitino is natural candidate in SUGRA models for DM.
- * We calculated the gravitino thermal production rate beyond the HTL approximation.
- * Assuming $m_{1/2} > 750$ GeV (\sim LHC current bound), for the maximum value of $T_{\text{reh}} \sim 10^9$ GeV, we get $m_{3/2} \sim 550$ GeV. If $T_{\text{reh}} \sim 10^8$ GeV for the same $m_{3/2}$, $m_{1/2} \sim 3\text{-}4$ TeV.
- * No-thermal gravitinos should be taken into account, but for this a particular inflation model has to be assumed.