Cosmological probes of dark matter interactions

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Cosmic direct detection



DM-baryon scattering in the early universe

fluids + gravity = baryonic acoustic oscillations



DM-baryon scattering in the early universe

fluids + gravity + drag = damped baryonic acoustic oscillations



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Observables



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CMB power spectrum



Planck limits on DM-proton scattering

[velocity-independent spin-independent interaction]



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And beyond...

Interactions in cosmological context

momentum-transfer rate



Interactions in cosmological context



Planck limits on EFT



Boddy and VG (2018)

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Age of the Universe ~1000 years:Boddy and VG (2018)less than 1 in 100 000 scatterings is with DM.

Planck limits on DM-electron scattering



Boddy and VG, in prep. (2019)

Planck limits on millicharge





See also: Xu, + (2018); Slatyer, + (2018); Wu, + (2018); Dvorkin, + (2014).

Planck limits on dipole DM



Limits on interacting sub-component



Boddy, VG, + (2018).

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NB: EDGES is inconsistent with Planck, if more than 0.5% of DM is millicharged.

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Next-generation ground-based CMB observatories => high resolution measurements. Next-generation ground-based CMB observatories => high resolution measurements.

CMB-S4 (proposed) and Simons Observatory

Next-generation CMB: Forecasts

velocity-independent scattering









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Near-field cosmology

Many more with galaxy surveys like LSST



c.f. Ethan's talk on Wednesday

Bullock and Boylan-Kolchin (2017)

Limits from Milky Way Satellites



vel-independent scattering: 3 OOM better than Planck.

Work in progress

- Limits on other scattering models
- Simulations in interacting cosmologies
- Projections for LSST etc.
- Understand degeneracies in DM modeling space
- Understand modeling systematics

Broader scope



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Lots of data coming: Simons Observatory, CMB-S4, LSST, DESI, HERA, SKA, EDGES, SARAS, DD experiments,...

Key points







- CMB already probes new parameter space and new paradigms; near-field cosmology is messier, but very promising [e.g. satellites].
- <u>LSST/VRO and other data sets in next decade will be</u> <u>goldmine for tests of new physics.</u>
- <u>Key for discovery</u>: comprehensive searches and joint analyses.
- <u>To-address</u>: non-linearities in non-standard cosmologies, frameworks for joint analyses of multiple observables, assessment of limitations and degeneracies in new data sets.

Towards the future



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Cosmological observations offer unique and robust avenues for probing the fundamental nature of dark matter particles—they broadly test a range of compelling theoretical scenarios, often surpassing or complementing the reach of terrestrial and other experiments. We discuss observational and theoretical advancements that will play a pivotal role in realizing a strong program of cosmological searches for the identity of dark matter in the coming decade. Specifically, we focus on measurements of the cosmic-microwave-background anisotropy and spectral distortions, and tracers of structure (such as the Lyman- α forest, galaxies, and the cosmological 21-cm signal).

