

# Hidden Charged Dark Matter and Its Relics

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# Outline

- Review of WIMPlless miracle
- Thermal relics in hidden sectors
- Cosmological bounds on hidden charged dark matter
- Summary

For **experimental signals**, see

Feng, Kumar and Strigari arXiv:0806.3746 [hep-ph]

Feng, Kumar, Learned and Strigari arXiv:0808.4151 [hep-ph]

# Expect new physics at TeV scale

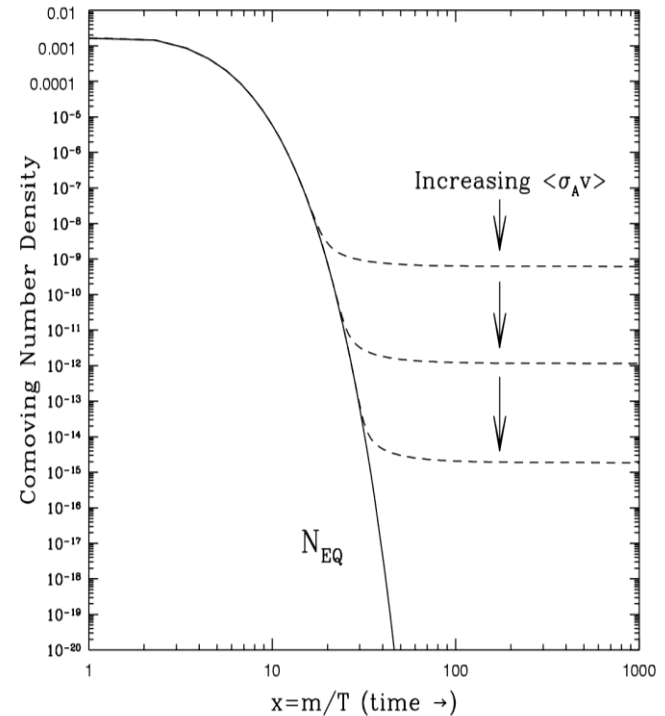
- Gauge hierarchy problem  
weak scale vs. Planck scale
- Dark Matter  
~20% of total mass budget of the Universe

WIMP miracle: 
$$\Omega h^2 \sim \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_A v \rangle} \sim \frac{m^2}{g^4}$$

$g \sim g_w, m \sim m_w, \Omega h^2 \sim 0.11$

## Supersymmetry

- Weak scale is stabilized by SUSY.
- MSSM has new particles (LSPs) for dark matter candidate.



Kolb and Turner (1990)

# Hidden sectors?

- But what do we really know about dark matter?
  - Gravitational
  - No strong, EM interactions
  - Dark matter could be SM neutral, i.e. **hidden**.
- The idea of hidden sector has long history.

Lee, Yang (1956); Gross, Harvey, Martinec, Rohm (1985), Schabinger, Wells (2005); Patt, Wilczek (2006); Strassler, Zurek (2006); Georgi (2007); Kang, Luty (2008), March-Russell, West, Cumberbatch, Hooper (2008); McDonald, Sahu (2008); Kim, Lee, Shin (2008); Krolkowski (2008); Foot (2008); ...
- Hidden sector dark matter?
  - WIMP miracle?
  - connection to the gauge hierarchy problem?
  - prediction?

# WIMPIless Miracle

- the **ratio** is important

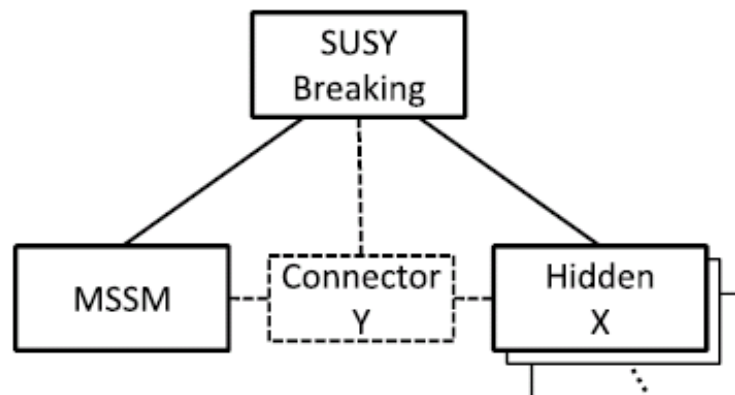
$$\Omega h^2 \sim \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{Av} \rangle} \sim \frac{m^2}{g^4}$$

- SUSY partner mass of GMSB

$$m \sim \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{F}{M} \quad m_X \sim \frac{g_X^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{F}{M}$$

- The ratio is determined **solely** by the SUSY breaking factor

$$\frac{m_X}{g_X^2} \sim \frac{m}{g^2} \sim \frac{F}{16\pi^2 M}$$



Feng, Kumar (2008)

One can rescale ( $m_X$ ,  $g_X$ ) simultaneously while keep the ratio unchanged.

# Thermal relics in the hidden sectors

- A **GMSB-inspired** concrete model for hidden sector DM.
- BBN and CMB constraints on the hidden sectors.
- Thermal dynamics with **two independent thermal baths** in the expanding universe.
- Lower mass limit from the thermal consideration.

# A GMSB-inspired model

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- SM gauge group  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$
- One generation of matter fields, flavor-free model
- Assume gauge coupling unification  $\tan \theta_W^h = \sqrt{3/5}$
- 2mx: others  
1.5mx: Z  
mx: stau (DM candidate),  
Massless: photon, (anti-)neutrino, gluon,
- Model parameters:  $m_X, g_X, m_Z, \xi_{RH} \equiv \frac{T_{RH}^h}{T_{RH}}$

Note there is no good DM candidate in the usual MSSM with GMSB.

This scenario also works for **AMSB**. No good DM candidate in the MSSM with AMSB.

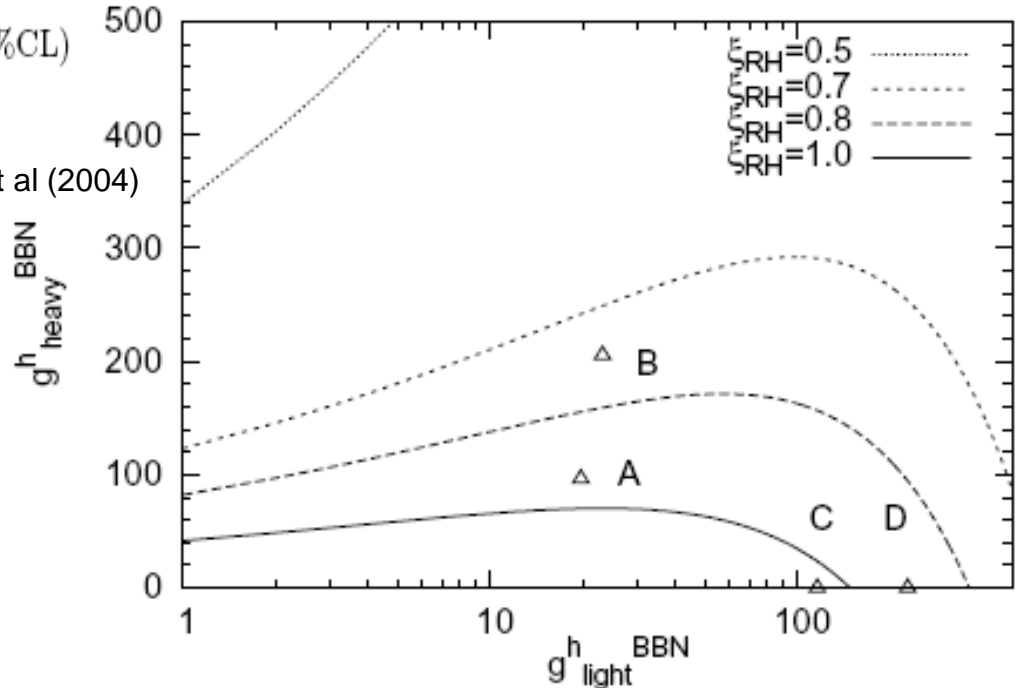
# BBN constraints on light degree of freedom

$$g_*^h(T_{\text{BBN}}^h) \left( \frac{T_{\text{BBN}}^h}{T_{\text{BBN}}} \right)^4 = \frac{7}{8} \cdot 2 \cdot (N_{\text{eff}} - 3) \leq 2.52 \text{ (95\%CL)}$$

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.24 \pm 1.2 \text{ (95\% CL)} \quad \text{Cyburt et al (2004)}$$

---Very small number of light degree of freedom if two sectors have the same T at BBN.

---Hidden sector is colder at BBN. Two ways: colder reheating temperature; more light d.o.f in the hidden sector.



Feng, Tu and Yu (2008)

$$g_*^h(T^h) = g_{*S}^h(T^h) = \begin{cases} 116.25 \text{ (228.75)}, & T^h \geq 2m_X \\ 19.75 \text{ (23.25)}, & T^h \leq m_X \end{cases}$$

A, B  $T_{\text{BBN}}^h < m_X < T_{\text{RH}}^h$

$$g_{*S} T^3 R^3 = \text{Constant}$$

C, D  $m_X < T_{\text{BBN}}^h/2$



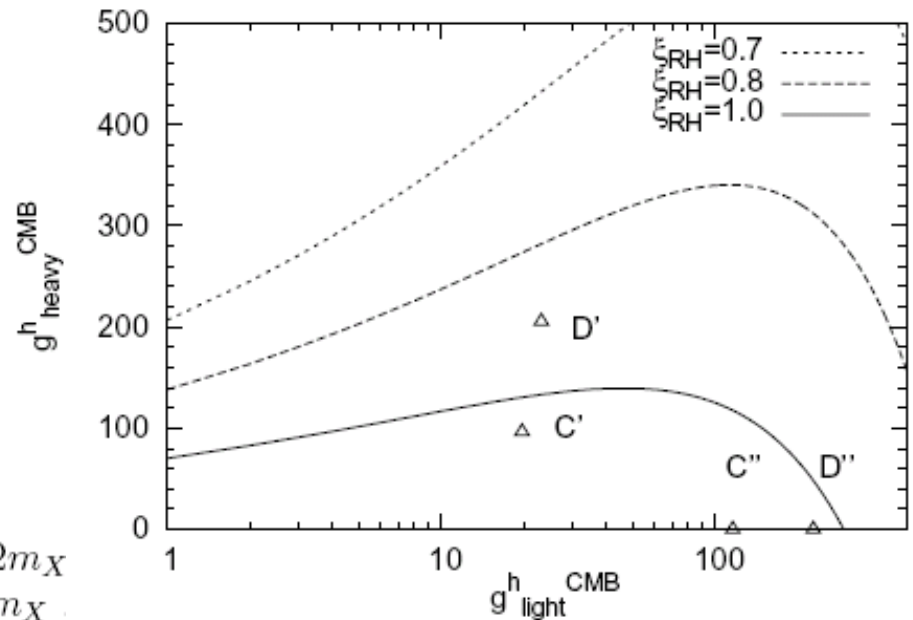
# CMB constraints

$$g_*^h(T_{\text{CMB}}^h) \left( \frac{T_{\text{CMB}}^h}{T_{\text{CMB}}} \right)^4 = \frac{7}{8} \cdot 2 \cdot (N_{\text{eff}} - 3.046) \left( \frac{T_\nu}{T_\gamma} \right)^4 \leq 1.30 \text{ (68\% CL)}$$

$$T_\nu/T_\gamma = (4/11)^{1/3}$$

$$g_{\text{heavy}}^h \leq \left( \frac{4.14}{\xi_{\text{RH}}} \right)^3 \left( g_{\text{light}}^h \right)^{3/4} - g_{\text{light}}^h$$

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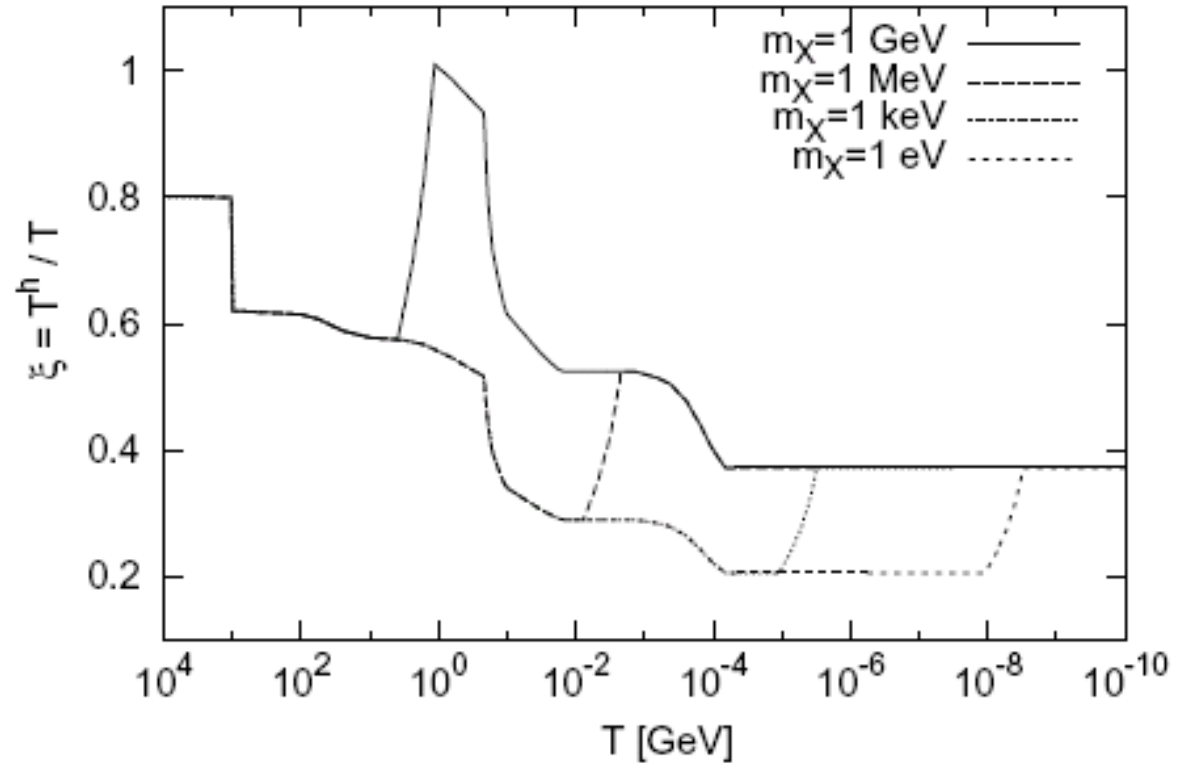
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# Temperature evolution of hidden sectors

Assume entropy is conserved in both sector independently

$$g_{*S} T^3 R^3 = \text{Constant}$$

$$\frac{g_{*S}^h(T_{\text{BBN}}^h) T_{\text{BBN}}^{h3}}{g_{*S}^h(T_{\text{RH}}^h) T_{\text{RH}}^{h3}} = \frac{g_{*S}(T_{\text{BBN}}) T_{\text{BBN}}^3}{g_{*S}(T_{\text{RH}}) T_{\text{RH}}^3}$$



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# Boltzman equations with two thermal baths

$$\frac{dn}{dt} = -3Hn - \langle \sigma_{Av} \rangle (T^h) \left[ n^2 - n_{\text{eq}}^2(T^h) \right]$$

$$H(T) = \left[ \frac{4\pi^3 G_N}{45} g_*^{\text{tot}}(T) T^4 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad g_*^{\text{tot}}(T) = g_*(T) + g_*^h(T^h) \left( \frac{T^h}{T} \right)^4$$

---Both sectors have contributions to the Hubble expansion rate.

---The thermally-averaged product of cross section and Moller velocity and the number density are only determined by the hidden sector temperature.

Use visible sector T as  
“Clock”

$$t \rightarrow x \equiv \frac{m_X}{T} \quad n \rightarrow Y \equiv \frac{n}{s}$$

Sit in the hidden sector

$$t \rightarrow x^h \equiv \frac{m_X}{T^h} \quad n \rightarrow Y^h \equiv \frac{n}{s^h}$$

# Annihilation Channels

$$\tilde{\tau}\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}, \gamma\gamma, \gamma Z$$

$$\langle\sigma_{Av}\rangle(T^h) = \frac{g_X^4}{m_X^2} \left[ a_0 + a_1 \left(\frac{m_X}{T^h}\right)^{-1} + a_2 \left(\frac{m_X}{T^h}\right)^{-2} + \dots \right],$$

$$a_0 = \left[ \frac{1}{8\pi} + \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( 1 - \frac{m_{Z^h}^2}{4m_X^2} \right) \tan^2 \theta_W^h \right] \sin^4 \theta_W^h$$

$$a_1 = \frac{3}{2} \left[ -\frac{1}{6\pi} - \frac{1}{3\pi} \tan^2 \theta_W^h + \frac{1}{12\pi} \frac{1}{\cos^4 \theta_W^h \left[ \left( -4 + \frac{m_{Z^h}^2}{m_X^2} \right)^2 + \frac{m_{Z^h}^2 \Gamma_{Z^h}^2}{m_X^2} \right]} \right] \sin^4 \theta_W^h$$

---Photon channel has overall  $\frac{1}{2}$  smaller than photon Z channel due to the identical final states.

---Neutrino channel is **P-wave suppressed**. Not surprise.

---Accuracy of the dimensional analysis  $\langle\sigma_{Av}\rangle \sim \frac{g_X^4}{m_X^2}$

# Approximation formulas

$$Y_{\text{eq}} = 0.145(g/g_{*S})x^{3/2}\xi^{3/2}e^{-x/\xi}$$

$$x_f \approx \xi \ln \left[ 0.038 M_{\text{Pl}} m_X \sigma_0 (g/\sqrt{g_*^{\text{tot}}}) \xi^{3/2} \delta(\delta + 2) \right] \\ - \frac{1}{2} \xi \ln \left\{ \xi \ln \left[ 0.038 M_{\text{Pl}} m_X \sigma_0 (g/\sqrt{g_*^{\text{tot}}}) \xi^{3/2} \delta(\delta + 2) \right] \right\}$$

$$Y_0 \approx \frac{3.79 x_f}{(g_{*S}/\sqrt{g_*^{\text{tot}}}) M_{\text{Pl}} m_X \sigma_0} \quad \sigma_0 = a_0 g_X^4 / m_X^2$$

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- Set xi to 1, we get formulas for one thermal bath case.
- delta takes 0.2-0.5 from the fitting.
- This approximation yields agreements typically better than 3%.

# Freezeout behavior with different reheating temperature of hidden sectors

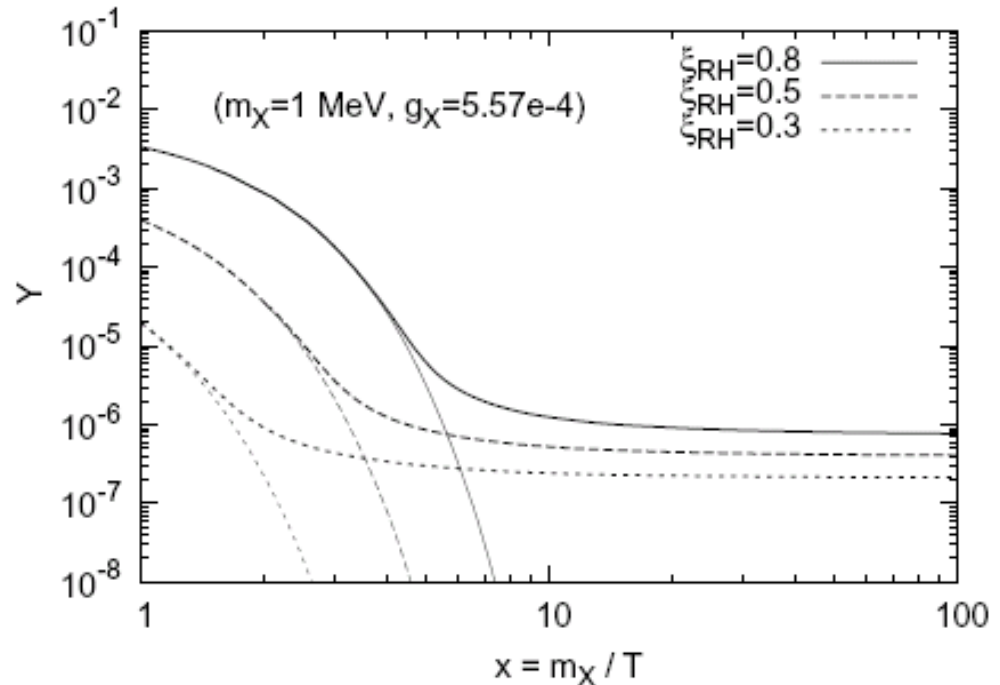
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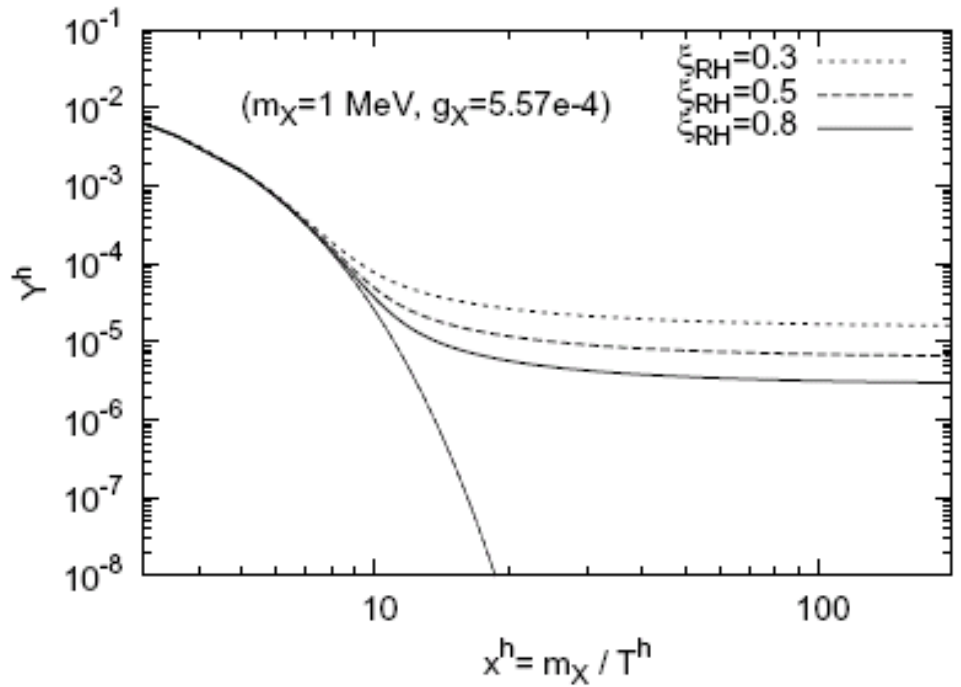
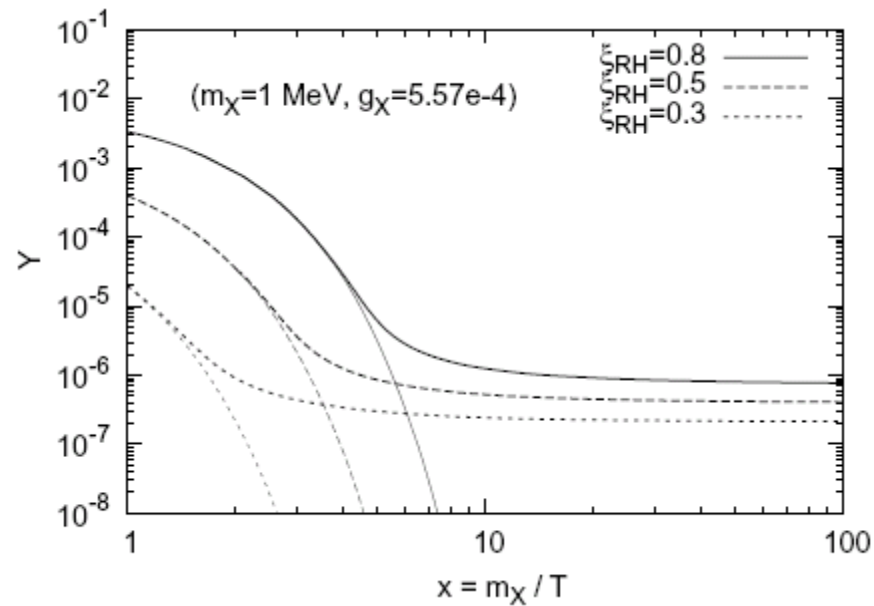
$$\Gamma = n \langle \sigma_{AV} \rangle$$

For different reheating temperature, averaged cross section is nearly the same due to S-wave dominance.



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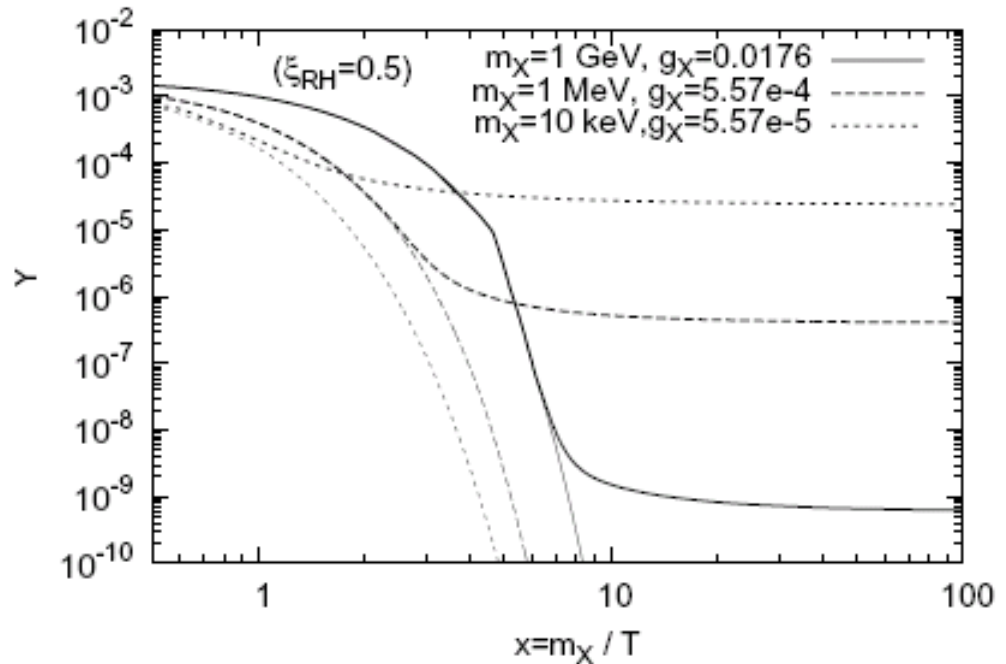
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Inconsistent?

$$n_0 = Y s_0 = Y^h s_0^h$$

# Freezeout with different mass

---Larger mass,  
smaller number  
density at present  
time, freezout occurs  
later, larger coupling.





# Relics in the hidden sector

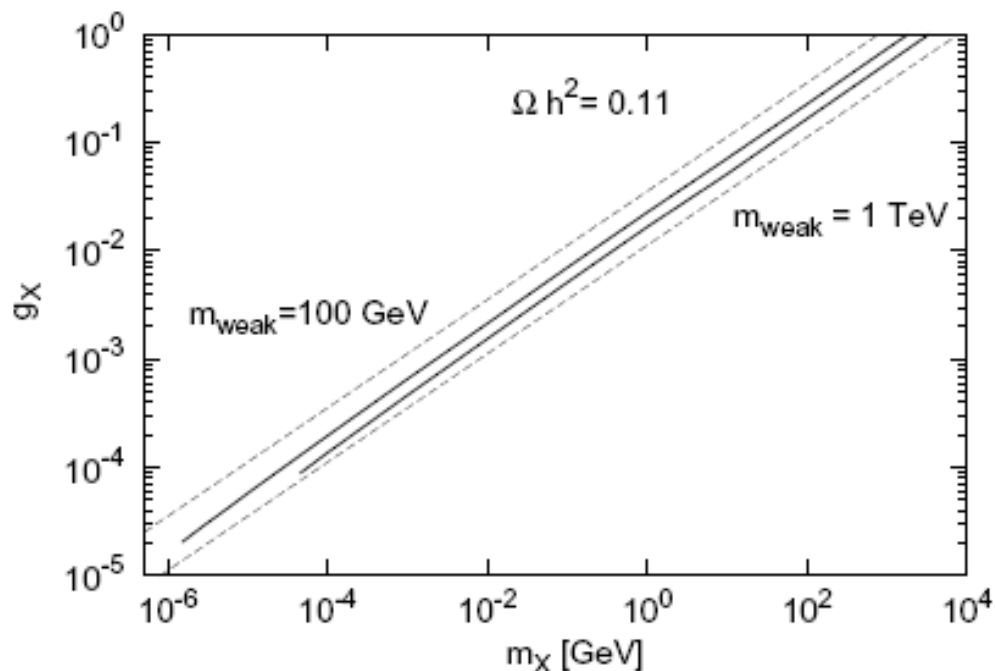
Numerically solving Boltzmann equations to get  $(m_X, g_X)$ .

---Two solid contours essentially follow the scaling relation  $m_X \sim g_X^2$ .

---The parameters that give correct relic density are those that give weak scale MSSM masses (**WIMPLess miracle**).

---The dimensional analysis is confirmed in this concrete model.

---Colder hidden sector requires smaller coupling to get correct relic abundance for given mass.



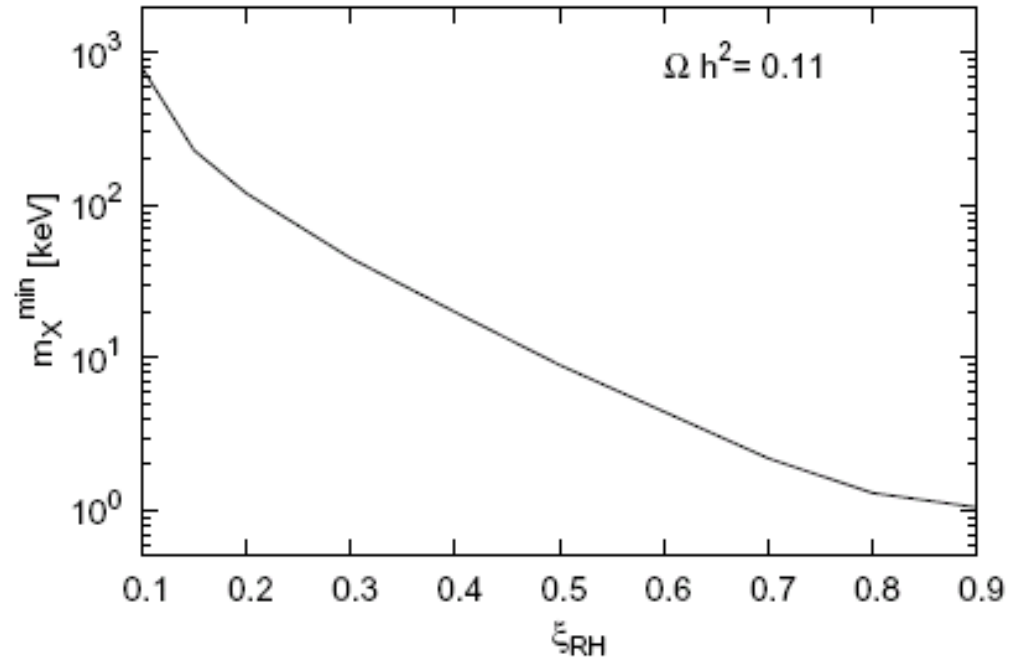
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# Lower mass limit

---The lower mass limit is derived by requiring freezeout  $x_{\text{fh}} = m_X/T_{\text{h}} > 3$  and correct relic abundance.

---Lower mass limit goes up with colder hidden sector.

---The WIMPlless framework **may be** valid at least down to dark matter masses of  $m_X \sim \text{keV}$ .



Feng, Tu and Yu (2008)

WIMP scenario mass range (100GeV, TeV)

WIMPlless scenario mass range (keV, TeV)

# Some Comments

- We present a concrete example for WIMPless DM scenario.
- The choice of the hidden stau as the DM candidate is motivated by the **stability** of DM.
- We should check cosmological bounds on it. Hidden stau is charged under the **unbroken** hidden  $U(1)$ !

# Effects of the long range interaction

- Long range interactions lead to the exchange of the kinetic energy between DM particles. DM has collision.
- The annihilation cross section is enhanced in small velocity regime due to the Sommerfeld effect.
- DM particles may form bound state. The rate goes  $\sim 1/v$ .
- Kinetic decoupling occurs later, DM has longer free-streaming length.

# Scattering due to the Coulomb interaction

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha_X^2}{4m_X^2 v^4 \sin^4(\theta/2)}$$

- The cross section has  $1/v$  dependence. For our Galaxy  $V \sim 10^{-3}$ , a huge factor!
- The elastic scattering due to the Coulomb force causes the energy and momentum exchange between DM particles. **DM has collision**. [L. Ackerman, M. R. Buckley, S. M. Carroll and M. Kamionkowski arXiv:0810.5126 [hep-ph] ]
- However observations suggest that DM is **effectively collisionless**. The collision of DM cause the more **spherical** halo. [J.~Miralda-Escude arXiv:astro-ph/0002050 ]
- Galactic dynamics set the bound on the parameter space ( $m_X$ ,  $\alpha_X$ ).

# The rate of energy transfer

$$\dot{E}_k = \int dv d\Omega \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right) v n f(v) \delta E_k$$

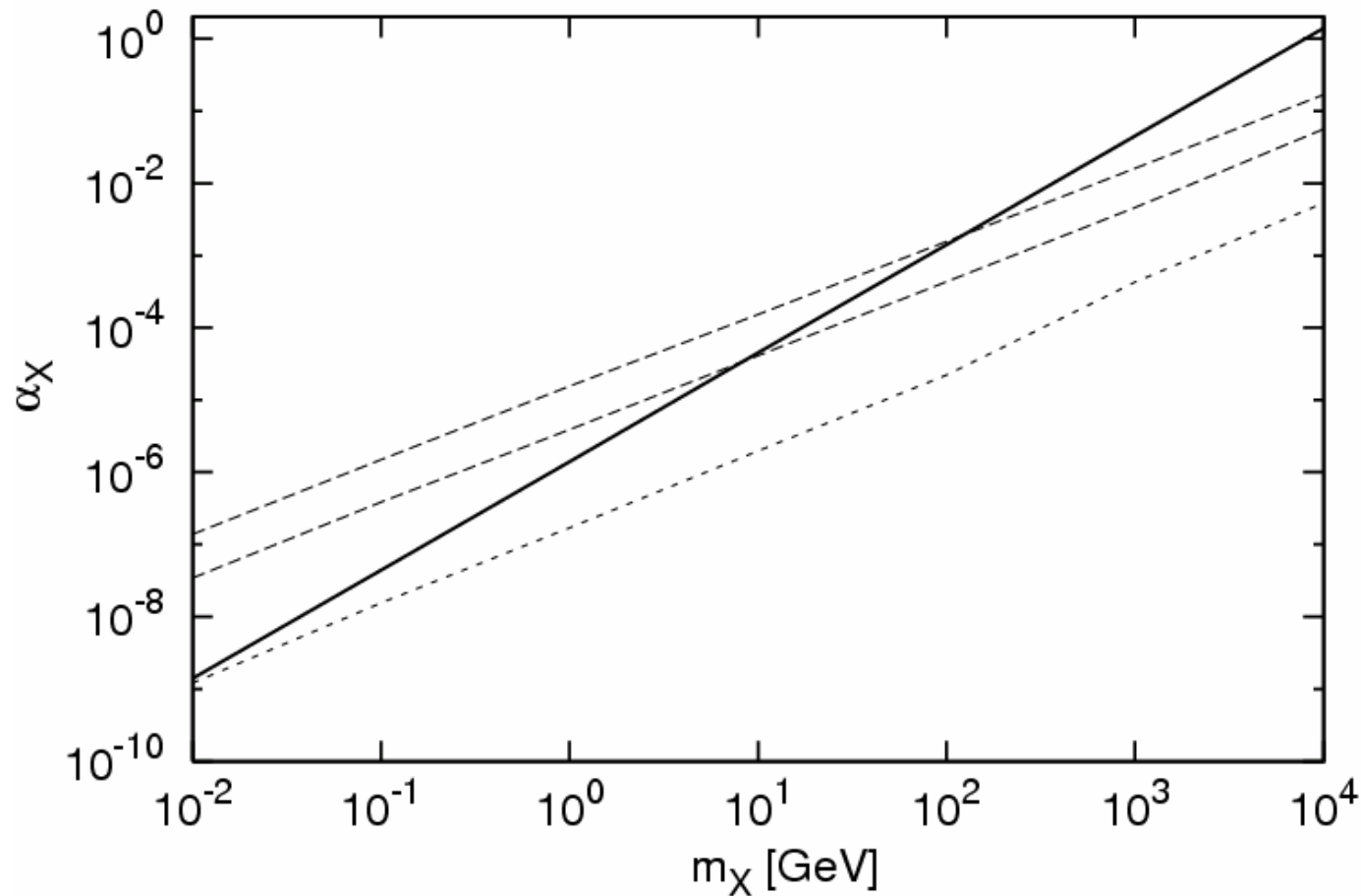
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- Energy exchange in the each collision

$$\delta E_k = E_k (1 - \cos \theta)$$

- $f(v)$  is the velocity distribution, and  $n$  is the number density of the DM particle  $n = \text{density} / \text{DM mass}$ . We take  $f(v)$  as Maxwellian distribution.
- We demand the **mean free time** greater than the age of the Universe and set bounds on coupling and mass

$$\tau \equiv E_k / \dot{E}_k \sim \frac{m_X^3 v_0^3}{4\sqrt{\pi} \alpha_X^2 \rho_X} \ln^{-1} \left( \frac{(b_{\max} m_X v_0^2 / a_X)^2 + 1}{2} \right) \geq 10^{10} \text{ years}$$



- Galactic dynamics in fact **allows** hidden charged dark matter, and the allowed parameter space is quite reasonable.
- Typically for DM particle mass 100GeV, the hidden fine structure constant should be smaller than  $\sim 0.001$  to satisfy the bound.

Feng, Tu, Kaplinghat and Yu in the preparation.

- We find this is the strongest bound.

# Sommerfeld effect

- If there is long range attraction force between two particles, the annihilation cross section will be enhanced.

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$$S_k \sim \frac{\alpha_X}{v} \quad \sigma_{\text{ann}} \rightarrow \sigma_{\text{ann}} S_k$$

- This enhancement is **not** important in the early Universe.



# Small velocity dispersion in Protohalos

- Protohalos have masses around

$$M_c \sim 33(T_{\text{kd}}/10\text{MeV})^{-3} M_{\oplus}$$

- Protohalos collapse to  $\rho \sim 178\bar{\rho}(z_c)$

- The velocity dispersion is

$$v \sim G^{1/2} M_c^{1/3} \rho^{1/6} \simeq 6.0 \times 10^{-9} (M_c/M_{\oplus})^{1/3} (z_c/200)^{1/2}$$

- Annihilation cross section is **strongly enhanced** due to the **small** velocity dispersion.

# Bounds from CMB

$$f \simeq \Gamma_{\text{ann}} t \sim \frac{178 \Omega_m \rho_{\text{crit}} (1 + z_c)^3}{m_X} \langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} S_k v \rangle t \leq 0.1$$

$$t \simeq 2 \times 10^{14} (z_c/200)^{-3/2} s$$

- The fraction is  $f \sim 10^{-6} - 10^{-4}$  for the allowed mass range.
- The annihilation generate photon. However it will not distort the CMB spectrum because it is hidden.
- Otherwise the fraction has to be smaller than  $10^{-9}$ . [M, Kamionkowski and S. Profumo, arXiv:0810.3233 [astro-ph] ]

# Bound state formation

- Positive/negative charged staus can form **bound states**.
- Staus has to lose their kinetic energy by radiating away photon and fall to some energy level of the bound state.
- And due to the ionization process, the bound state formation issue is more important when the temperature is **smaller** than the binding energy.

$$\sigma_{\text{rec}} = \frac{2^8 \pi^2}{3} \frac{\alpha_X}{m_\chi} \frac{1}{m_\chi} \frac{B_n}{m_\chi v^2} \left( \frac{B_n}{B_n + \frac{1}{2} m_\chi v^2} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{e^{-4 \sqrt{\frac{2B_n}{m_\chi v^2}} \tan^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{m_\chi v^2}{2B_n}}}}{1 - e^{-2\pi \sqrt{\frac{2B_n}{m_\chi v^2}}}}$$

$$E_n = -\alpha_X^2 m_\chi / 4n^2 \equiv -B_n$$

# Bounds from the Galaxy and early Universe

- For the Galactic Halo, the bound state formation rate is order magnitude  $10^{-31}$  per second.
- For the early Universe,

$$\Gamma_{\text{Bound}}(T \sim B_1) \ll H(T \sim B_1)$$

- The bound state formation rate is **small** if parameters satisfy the **galactic dynamics bound** (they also should give correct relic abundance. ).
- Compare to the scattering process, bound state formation is a higher order process

$$\sigma_{\text{Scattering}} \sim \frac{\alpha_X^2}{m_X^2} \qquad \sigma_{\text{Bound}} \sim \frac{\alpha_X^3}{m_X^2}$$

# Kinetic equilibrium

- After freezeout, the DM particle still keep contact with thermal bath through **elastic scattering with the relativistic degree of freedom**.
- Elastic scattering does not change the number density of DM particle while transfers **momentum** to DM and keep it in the **kinetic equilibrium**.
- When the Universe cools down, the kinetic decoupling occurs, DM particle begins **free-streaming**.
- Decoupling temperature is critical for small structure formation.

# Kinetic decoupling

- Processes keep stau in the **kinetic equilibrium**

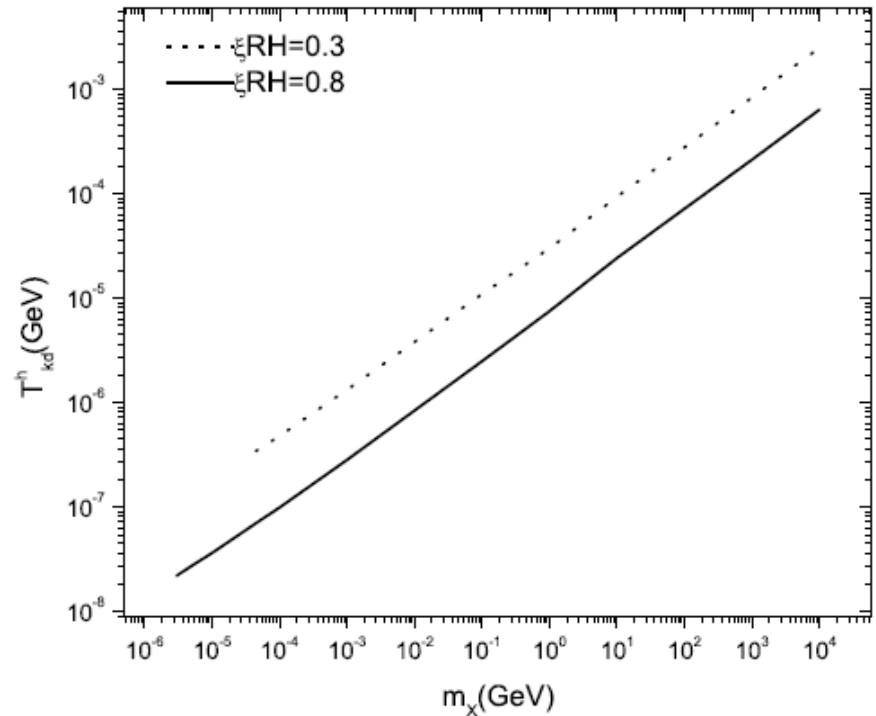
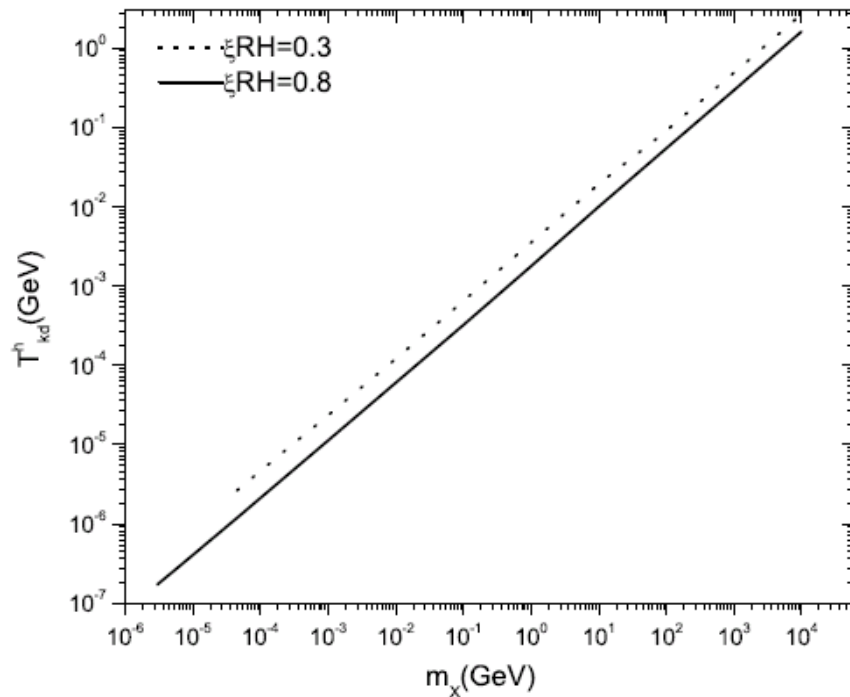
$$\tilde{\tau}\nu \leftrightarrow \tilde{\tau}\nu \quad \tilde{\tau}\gamma \leftrightarrow \tilde{\tau}\gamma$$

- Decoupling occurs when  $\Gamma_{\text{kd}} \lesssim H$   
 decoupling temperature  $\Gamma_{\text{kd}}(T_{\text{kd}}) = H(T_{\text{kd}})$

- Kinetic decoupling happens in **two stages**,  
 neutrino process decouples first, then photon  
 process.

$$|\mathcal{M}(\tilde{\tau}\nu \leftrightarrow \tilde{\tau}\nu)|_{t=0}^2 = \frac{4g_X^4 m_X^4 \tan^4 \theta_W^h}{m_Z^2(m_Z^2 + \Gamma_Z^2)} \left(\frac{E}{m_X}\right)^2 \quad |\mathcal{M}(\tilde{\tau}\gamma \leftrightarrow \tilde{\tau}\gamma)|_{t=0}^2 = 4g_X^4 \sin^4 \theta_W^h$$

# Decoupling temperature



---Larger mass, decouple earlier.

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---Neutrino channel decouples earlier. (For the usual WIMP,  $T_{kd} \sim$  order 10MeV.)

---Colder hidden sector, decoupling occurs earlier.

---Free-streaming length  $\lambda_{FS} \propto m_X^{-1/2} T_{kd}^{-1/2}$  which sets more correct lower mass bound.

# Summary

- WIMPless framework keeps **WIMP miracle** for hidden sector DM.
- **Two thermal baths** have interesting implications on thermal behaviors of the DM particle .
- We study variant bounds on the hidden charged DM. Hidden charged DM is **allowed**.
- Hidden charged DM has consequence on the small structure formation.