etc. Axions and defects in the early Universe

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Astroparticle Physics



What is the energy budget of the Universe?







What are the fundamental constituents of matter?



Standard Model

Cosmology

• 2013: Planck CMB sky map



- Cosmological puzzles
 - ? Matter-Antimatter Asymmetry
 - ? Particle Identity & Origin of Dark Matter
 - ? Dark Energy = Cosmological Constant

Particle Physics

• 2012: LHC Higgs-boson discovery



- Intrinsic fine tuning problems
 - ? Hierarchy Problem (m_H << M_{Planck})
 - ? Strong CP Problem ($\Theta_{QCD} \ll I$)
 - ? Small Neutrino Masses ($m_v \ll m_H$)

\rightarrow Physics beyond the Standard Model

Properties of Dark Matter

• stable or lifetime well above

the age of our Universe

- electrically neutral
- clusters —
- cold / warm
- dissipationless
- color neutral





Dark matter



galaxies - rotation velocities

galaxy clusters - gravitational lensing

large scale structure

→ Particle Identity of Dark Matter



Dark Matter Candidates





EWIP - Extremely Weakly Interacting Particle



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Dark Matter Candidates

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extremely weak	Gravity	Supergravity			
	G graviton	G gravitino EVVIP			
Peccei-Quinn (PQ) Symmetry					
w¥8	axion EVVIP	axino EWIP			

Why Supersymmetry?



R-Parity Conservation

- superpotential: $W_{\text{MSSM}} \leftarrow W_{\Delta L} + W_{\Delta B}$
- non-observation of L & B violating processes (proton stability, ...)
- postulate conservation of R-Parity \leftarrow multiplicative quantum number



The lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP) is stable!!!

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Standard Thermal History of the Universe







WIMP paradigm & prospects



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Neutralino DM Production at the LHC



Collider Dark Matter Searches: Limits Only



Direct neutralino WIMP dark matter searches



Higgs discovery



! very impressive !

Higgs discovery



Signal strengths & Standard Model expectations



- m_h contours
- sparticle searches
- (g-2)_µ anomaly



1500

500

4

 $b \rightarrow s\gamma$

6

 $(\mu^2 + m_0^2)^{1/2}$

m_{1/2}

• m_o

18

squarks

16

 $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

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8 10 12 Log₁₀(Q/1 GeV)

sleptons

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Standard Model after the Higgs discovery



Dark Matter Candidates



New Class → Extremely Weakly Interacting Particles (EWIPs)

[Cremmer, Ferrara, Girardello, Van Proeyen, '83]

$$\begin{split} & \textbf{Supergravity} \left(\textbf{N=I}, \textbf{d=4}\right) \\ \frac{1}{e} \mathcal{L} = -\frac{M_{P}^{2}}{2} R + g_{ij} * \mathcal{D}_{\mu} \phi^{i} \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \phi^{*j} - \frac{1}{2} g^{2} \left[(\text{Ref})^{-1} \right]^{ab} D_{a} D_{b} \\ & + i g_{ij} * \overline{\chi}_{L}^{j} \gamma^{\mu} \mathcal{D}_{\mu} \chi_{L}^{i} + \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \overline{\psi}_{L\mu} \gamma_{\nu} \mathcal{D}_{\rho} \psi_{L\sigma} \\ & -\frac{1}{4} \text{Re} f_{ab} F_{\mu\nu}^{a} F^{b,\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{8} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \text{Im} f_{ab} F_{\mu\nu}^{a} F_{\rho\sigma}^{b} \\ & + \frac{i}{2} \text{Re} f_{ab} \overline{\chi}^{a} \gamma^{\mu} \mathcal{D}_{\mu} \lambda^{b} - e^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \text{Im} f_{ab} \mathcal{D}_{\mu} \left[e \overline{\chi}_{R}^{a} \gamma^{\mu} \lambda_{R}^{b} \right] \\ & + \left[-\sqrt{2} g \partial_{i} D_{a} \overline{\chi}^{a} \chi_{L}^{i} + \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{2} g \left[(\text{Ref})^{-1} \right]^{ab} \partial_{i} f_{bc} D_{a} \overline{\chi}^{c} \chi_{L}^{i} \\ & + \frac{i}{16} \sqrt{2} \partial_{i} f_{ab} \overline{\chi}^{a} [\gamma^{\mu}, \gamma^{\nu}] \chi_{L}^{i} F_{\mu\nu}^{b} - \frac{1}{2M_{P}} g D_{a} \overline{\chi}_{R}^{a} \gamma^{\mu} \psi_{\mu} \\ & - \frac{i}{2M_{P}} \sqrt{2} g_{ij*} \mathcal{D}_{\mu} \phi^{*j} \overline{\psi}_{\nu} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^{\nu} \chi_{L}^{i} + \text{h.c.} \right] \\ & \textbf{Planck scale} \left[\frac{i}{4M_{P}^{2}} \mathcal{W}^{*} \overline{\psi}_{R\mu} [\gamma^{\mu}, \gamma^{\nu}] \psi_{L\nu} + \frac{1}{2M_{P}} \sqrt{2} D_{i} W \overline{\psi}_{\mu} \gamma^{\mu} \chi_{L}^{i} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}_{i} D_{j} W \overline{\chi}_{L}^{ci} \chi_{L}^{j} + \frac{1}{4} g^{ij*} D_{j*} W^{*} \partial_{i} f_{ab} \overline{\lambda}_{R}^{a} \lambda_{L}^{b} + \text{h.c.} \right] \\ & - e^{K/M_{P}^{2}} \left[g^{ij*} (D_{i} W) \left(D_{j*} W^{*} \right) - 3 \frac{|W|^{2}}{M_{P}^{2}} \right] + \mathcal{O}(M_{P}^{-2}) . \end{split}$$

Supersymmetric Hadronic Axion Model

$$\mathcal{L}_{PQ}^{int} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}\alpha_s}{8\pi f_{PQ}} \int d^2\theta A W^b W^b + h.c.$$
Peccei-Quinn (PQ) scale
$$\frac{a_{axion} a_{xion} a_{xion}}{A = (\sigma + ia)/\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}\theta\tilde{a} + F_A\theta\theta} PQ$$

$$\frac{g|uino}{W^b = \tilde{g}^b + D^b\theta - \sigma^{\mu\nu}\theta G^b_{\mu\nu} + i\theta\theta\sigma^{\mu}D_{\mu}\bar{g}^b \text{ field strength}}{\int squark}$$

$$D^b = -g_s \sum_{\tilde{q}} \tilde{q}^* t^b \tilde{q} \qquad \alpha_s = g_s^2/4\pi$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{PQ}^{int} = \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi f_{PQ}} \left[\sigma \left(G^{b\,\mu\nu}G^b_{\mu\nu} - 2D^bD^b - 2i\bar{g}^b_M\gamma^{\mu}D_{\mu}\bar{g}^b_M \right) + a \left(G^{b\,\mu\nu}\tilde{G}^b_{\mu\nu} + 2\bar{g}^b_M\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^5D_{\mu}\tilde{g}^b_M \right) - i\bar{a}_M \frac{[\gamma^{\mu}, \gamma^{\nu}]}{2}\gamma^5 \tilde{g}^b_M G^b_{\mu\nu} + 2\bar{a}_M D^b \tilde{g}^b_M \right]$$

Supersymmetric Hadronic (KSVZ) Axion Model



KSVZ [Kim '79; Shifman, Vainshtein, Zakharov '80]

Constraints on the Peccei-Quinn (PQ) scale f_{PQ}



Bounds from Axion Searches Cosmological Axion Bounds Astrophysical Axion Bounds





Extremely Weakly Interacting Particles (EWIPs)

well-motivated candidates for **dark matter**



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High Reheating Temperature Scenarios





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[Graf, FDS, 1008.4528]

Thermal Axion Production in the Hot QGP



Axion Dark Matter



Axion Condensate: CDM

$$\begin{split} \Omega_a^{\rm MIS} h^2 &\sim 0.15 \, \theta_i^2 (f_{\rm PQ}/10^{12}\,{\rm GeV})^{7/6} \\ & [\dots, \text{Sikivie}, \text{'08; Kim, Carosi, '08, ...]} \end{split}$$

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Axino LSP Case



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Upper Limits on the Reheating Temperature T_R



Thermal Leptogenesis requires T > 10⁹ GeV

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Dark Radiation

• Radiation content of the Universe at BBN and later

$$\rho_{\rm rad} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \frac{7}{8} \left(N_{\nu} + \Delta N_{\rm eff} \right) \left(\frac{T}{T_{\nu}} \right)^4 \end{bmatrix} \rho_{\gamma} \overset{\text{photon energy}}{\leftarrow} density$$

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- More radiation \rightarrow faster expansion \rightarrow more efficient BBN of ⁴He
- More radiation \rightarrow later mat-rad eq \rightarrow visible in CMB + LSS

Data	p.m./mean	upper limit	
$Y_{\rm p}^{\rm IT}$ [1] + [D/H]_{\rm p} [49]	0.76	$< 1.97~(3\sigma)$	
$Y_{\rm p}^{\rm Av}$ [2] + [D/H]_{\rm p} [49]	0.77	$< 3.53 (3\sigma)$	
CMB + HPS + HST [6]	1.73	$< 3.59 (2\sigma)$	•
Planck+WP+highL+BAO [8]	0.25	$< 0.79 \ (2\sigma)$	CMB + LSS
$Planck+WP+highL+H_0+BAO [8]$	0.47	$< 0.95 \ (2\sigma)$)

BBN

CMB + LSS



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[Planck Collaboration, 1303.5076]

Planck 2013 results XVI: Cosmological Parameters

Combining *Planck*, *WMAP* polarization and the high- ℓ experiments gives

 $N_{\rm eff} = 3.36^{+0.68}_{-0.64}$ (95%; *Planck*+WP+highL). (74)

The marginalized posterior distribution is given in Fig. 27 (black curve).

Increasing N_{eff} at fixed θ_* and z_{eq} necessarily raises the expansion rate at low redshifts too. Combining CMB with distance measurements can therefore improve constraints (see Fig. 27) although for the BAO observable $r_{\text{drag}}/D_V(z)$ the reduction in both r_{drag} and $D_V(z)$ with increasing N_{eff} partly cancel. With the BAO data of Sect. 5.2, the N_{eff} constraint is tightened to

$$N_{\rm eff} = 3.30^{+0.54}_{-0.51}$$
 (95%; *Planck*+WP+highL+BAO). (75)

Our constraints from CMB alone and CMB+BAO are compatible with the standard value $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.046$ at the 1 σ level, giving no evidence for extra relativistic degrees of freedom.

Since N_{eff} is positively correlated with H_0 , the tension between the *Planck* data and direct measurements of H_0 in the base Λ CDM model (Sect. 5.3) can be reduced at the expense of high N_{eff} . The marginalized constraint is

$$N_{\rm eff} = 3.62^{+0.50}_{-0.48} \quad (95\%; Planck+WP+highL+H_0). \tag{76}$$

For this data combination, the χ^2 for the best-fitting model allowing N_{eff} to vary is lower by 5.0 than for the base $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.046$ model. The H_0 fit is much better, with $\Delta \chi^2 = -4.0$, but there is no strong preference either way from the CMB. The low- ℓ temperature power spectrum does mildly favour the high N_{eff} model ($\Delta \chi^2 = -1.6$) since N_{eff} is positively correlated with n_s (see Fig. 24) and increasing n_s reduces power on large scales. The rest of the *Planck* power spectrum is agnostic ($\Delta \chi^2 = -0.5$), while the high- ℓ experiments mildly disfavour high N_{eff} in our fits ($\Delta \chi^2 = 1.3$). Further including the BAO data pulls the central value downwards by around 0.5 σ (see Fig. 27):

$$N_{\rm eff} = 3.52^{+0.48}_{-0.45}$$
 (95%; *Planck*+WP+highL+H₀+BAO). (77)

The χ^2 at the best-fit for this data combination ($N_{\text{eff}} = 3.37$) is lower by 3.6 than the best-fitting $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.046$ model. While the high N_{eff} best-fit is preferred by *Planck*+WP ($\Delta\chi^2 = -3.3$) and the H_0 data ($\Delta\chi^2 = -2.8$ giving an acceptable $\chi^2 = 2.4$ for this data point), it is disfavoured by the high- ℓ CMB data ($\Delta\chi^2 = 2.0$) and slightly by BAO ($\Delta\chi^2 = 0.4$). We conclude that the tension between direct H_0 measurements and the CMB and BAO data in the base Λ CDM can be relieved at the cost of additional neutrino-like physics, but there is no strong preference for this extension from the CMB damping tail.

$\Delta N_{eff} = 3.62 + 0.5 - 3.046 = 1.074 @ 95\% CL$

Dark Radiation → SUSY + PQ

• Axions from decays of thermal saxions \rightarrow extra radiation

$$\mathcal{L}_{PQ}^{kin} = \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{v_{PQ}}\sigma\right) \left[\frac{1}{2}\partial^{\mu}a\partial_{\mu}a + \frac{1}{2}\partial^{\mu}\sigma\partial_{\mu}\sigma + i\bar{a}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\tilde{a}\right] + \dots$$

$$x = \sum_{i} \frac{q_{i}^{3}v_{i}^{2}}{v_{PQ}^{2}}, \quad v_{PQ} = \sqrt{\sum_{i} v_{i}^{2}q_{i}^{2}} \qquad f_{PQ} = \sqrt{2}v_{PQ}$$
• $\Delta N_{eff} \propto \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{m_{\sigma}}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{f_{PQ}}{10^{11} \text{ GeV}}\right) \left(\frac{Y_{\sigma}^{eq/TP}}{10^{-3}}\right)$
[Graf, FDS, '12]

High Reheating Temperature Scenarios



Gravitino Dark Matter Scenario

- Gravitino is the stable LSP (R-parity conservation is assumed)
- Axino is heavy & unstable (decays prior to LOSP decoupling)
- Saxion decays into axion dark radiation
- Axion contributes to dark radiation and dark matter
- Sneutrino NLSP case allows for thermal leptogenesis



Gravitino Dark Matter Scenario



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 $T_{
m R} \,\, [{
m GeV}]$

Gravitino Dark Matter Scenario



Gravitino LSP Case with a Charged Slepton NLSP



Particle Physics

• 2016: Large Hadron Collider (14 TeV) sneutrino discovery at ATLAS & CMS



 $m_{sneutrino} = 415 \text{ GeV}$

- Intrinsic fine tuning problems
 - Hierarchy Problem (m_H << M_{Planck})
 supersymmetry
 Strong CP Problem (Θ_{QCD} << I)
 - Peccei-Quinn symmetry
 - Small Neutrino Masses (m_v << m_H) See-saw mechanism

Cosmology

• 2013: Planck sky map of the CMB radiation





• Cosmological puzzles

Matter-Antimatter Asymmetry
 thermal leptogenesis
 Particle Identity & Origin of Dark Matter
 thermally produced gravitinos

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Axion Dark Matter Scenario

- Axino is a very light stable LSP (R-parity conservation)
- Gravitino is the NLSP and decays into axion & axino dark radiation
- Saxion decays into axion dark radiation
- Axion contributes to dark radiation and dark matter
- Stau NLSP case & thermal leptogenesis is possible



Lee-Weinberg Curve for Axions



Axion Dark Matter Scenario



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maxino, **m**gravitino < **m**stau



[Freitas, Tajuddin, FDS, Wyler, '09]

Axion Dark Matter Scenario



CHArged Massive Particles (CHAMPs)



additional detector material EWIP Key questions on CHAMP properties

Stable? Lifetime? Decay products?

New detector concepts

- → stop/collect CHAMPs
- → study CHAMP decays

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Conclusions

- Cosmological observations still call for new physics
- Hierachy problem & strong CP problem \rightarrow SUSY axion models
- EWIPs are a new well-motivated class of particles
- EWIP can explain dark matter and dark radiation (?)
- High-reheating temperature scenarios \rightarrow thermal leptogenesis
 - \rightarrow Gravitino dark matter with sneutino LOSPs
 - \rightarrow Axion dark matter with stau LOSPs
- Various cosmological aspects & promising collider propects