Confronting Dark Matter Freeze-In during Reheating with Constraints from Inflation

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Motivation.



Why dark matter?







Bullet Cluster

Different qualitative and quantitative evidence for the existence of Dark Matter!

 $\Omega_{\rm CDM} h^2 = 0.120 \pm 0.001$

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Freeze-in vs Freeze-out



(1) Thermal equilibrium regime (T >> m)

annihilation and production of DM in thermal equilibrium $Y \approx {\rm const.}$

(2) Annihilation regime (T ~ m/10)

SM particles not energetic enough to create DM particles $Y\approx \exp(-m_{DM}/T)$

(3) Freeze-out (T ~ m/30)

Annihilation rate falls behind expansion rate → DM abundance

$$\Omega_{\chi} h^2 = \frac{n_{\chi} m_{\chi}}{\rho_{\rm crit}} \propto \frac{1}{<\sigma_{\rm eff} v>}$$



Freeze-in vs Freeze-out



(1) DM not in thermal equilibrium with SM bath

DM is feebly interacting with the SM bath; $\lambda \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-7})$ abundance negligible

(2) DM production

DM gets produced via decay of a heavier particle Y that is in equilibrium with the SM bath $Y \to SM \chi$

(3) Freeze-in

when T falls below mass of parent particle Y, production gets Boltzmann suppressed $n_Y \approx \exp(-m_Y/T)$

$$\Omega_{\chi}h^2 \sim 4.48 \times 10^8 \frac{g_Y}{g_*^S \sqrt{g_*}} \frac{m_{\chi}}{\text{GeV}} \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}\Gamma_Y}{m_Y^2}$$



Why Inflation?

• Horizon problem:

At recombination photons could have had causal contact only up to $\theta \sim 3.5^\circ$

 \rightarrow why so homogeneous?



• Flatness problem:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\Omega_k) = -2\frac{\ddot{a}}{\dot{a}}\Omega_k$$

for radiation or matter domination $\ddot{a} < 0$ \rightarrow unstable fixed point

→ why is the Universe so flat? Extreme fine-tuning would have been required!

Introduce accelerated expansion $\ddot{a} > 0$ before radiation domination



Inflation and reheating

Introduce scalar inflaton field

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{\varPhi}^2+V(\varPhi)=3H^2$$

with

$$\rho_{\Phi} = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\Phi}^2 + V(\Phi) \qquad p_{\Phi} = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\Phi}^2 - V(\Phi) \qquad \omega =$$

Such that the flatness and horizon problem is solved:

$$H^{2} + \dot{H} = \frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{1}{6} \left(\rho + 3p \right) > 0$$



 $\underline{p_{\Phi}}$

 ρ_{Φ}





Inflation and reheating

Slow-roll parameters define the end of inflation:

$$\epsilon_V \equiv \frac{M_{\rm Pl}^2}{2} \left(\frac{V'}{V}\right)^2 < 1 \qquad \qquad \eta_V \equiv M_{\rm Pl}^2 \left(\frac{V''}{V}\right) < 1$$

Length of inflation measured by numbers of efolds:

$$N(\Phi) = \int_{t_i}^{t_{\rm end}} H dt$$



At end of inflation, inflaton oscillates and transmits energy to SM particles = reheating

$$\Gamma_{\Phi \to F\bar{F}} = \frac{y^2}{8\pi} m_{\Phi} \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{\Phi \to XX^{\dagger}} = \frac{g^2}{8\pi m_{\Phi}}$$

The reheating temperature ${\sf T}_{\sf rh}$ is defined as $ho_{arPsi}(a_{
m rh})=
ho_R(a_{
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Dark Matter production during reheating.



The model set-up

Heavier parent particle P carries SM gauge charges, with DM (SM) odd (even) under Z, symmetry

	I	Majorana DM model	Scalar Singlet DM model
$y_{ m DM}P\chif_{ m SM}$	 Interaction	$y_{\rm DM} X \overline{\chi} f_R$	$y_s s \overline{F} f_R$
	Spin DM χ	1/2	0
	 Spin parent P	0	1/2

Relevant for reheating

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Phi X} \supset -\mu_X \Phi |X|^2 \quad \mathcal{L}_{\Phi F} = -y_F \Phi \bar{F} F$$

For this work, we neglect non-thermal production of DM via the inflaton

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk.}} \supset -y_{\chi} \Phi \bar{\chi} \chi \qquad \mathcal{L}_{\Phi s} = -\mu_{s} s \Phi^{2} - \frac{\sigma_{s}}{2} s^{2} \Phi^{2}$$

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And neglect Higgs interactions (\rightarrow flatness inflaton potential, stability of EW vacuum)

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possibilities!

$\dot{n}_{\rm DM} + 3Hn_{\rm DM} = \frac{g_P}{2\pi^2} \Gamma_P m_P^2 T K_1 \left(\frac{m_P}{T}\right)$

Freeze-in Dark Matter Production



Standard case, $T_{rh} > T_{fi}$

$$Y_{\rm DM}^{\rm RD}(T) \sim \frac{\Gamma(T)}{H(T)} \sim \Gamma_P \frac{m_P M_{\rm Pl}}{T^3}$$
$$Y_{\rm DM}^{\rm RD}(z_{\rm fi}) \sim z_{\rm fi}^3 \frac{\Gamma_P M_{\rm Pl}}{m_P^2}$$



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Pre-thermalization effects

Requiring fast thermalization, we find the following condition for k=2:

$$z_{\rm th} \equiv \frac{m_P}{T_{\rm th}} = 3 \times 10^{-3} \left(\frac{g_s(T_{\rm rh})}{106.75}\right)^{\frac{1}{20}} \left(\frac{m_P}{1 \text{ TeV}}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} \left(\frac{m_P}{T_{\rm rh}}\right)^{\frac{4}{5}} \left(\frac{\lambda}{10^{-12}}\right)^{\frac{1}{10}} \left(\frac{\alpha_g}{10^{-2}}\right)^{-\frac{4}{5}} \ll 1$$

such that

$$\frac{m_p}{T_{\rm rh}} \lesssim 10^3 \left(\frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{m_P}\right)^{1/5}$$

We assume that gauge charged parent particle P thermalizes rapidly and is in equilibrium with SM bath, as long as m_P/T_{rh} not to huge.



Reheating phase

Starting from a generic reheating potential at the end of inflation

$$V(\varPhi) = \lambda \frac{|\varPhi|^k}{M^{k-4}}$$

$$\ddot{\varPhi} + (3H + \Gamma_{\varPhi}) \dot{\varPhi} + V'(\varPhi) = 0$$

One can derive the evolution of the energy density of the inflaton and radiation

$$\langle \rho_{\Phi} \rangle = \left(\frac{k}{2} + 1\right) \lambda \frac{\langle \Phi^k \rangle}{M_{\rm Pl}^{k-4}} , \qquad \dot{\rho}_{\Phi} + \frac{6k}{k+2} H \rho_{\Phi} = -\frac{2k}{k+2} \Gamma_{\Phi} \rho_{\Phi}$$

$$\langle P_{\Phi} \rangle = \left(\frac{k}{2} - 1\right) \lambda \frac{\langle \Phi^k \rangle}{M_{\rm Pl}^{k-4}} , \qquad \dot{\rho}_R + 4H \rho_R = \frac{2k}{k+2} \Gamma_{\Phi} \rho_{\Phi}$$

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$$\langle P_{\Phi} \rangle = \left(\frac{k}{2} - 1\right) \lambda \frac{\langle \Phi^k \rangle}{M_{\mathrm{Pl}}^{k-4}}, \qquad \dot{\rho}_{R} + 4H \rho_{R} = \frac{2k}{k+2} \Gamma_{\Phi} \rho_{\Phi} \qquad \dot{\rho}_{R}(a) \simeq \frac{2\sqrt{3} k}{k+2} \frac{M_{\mathrm{Pl}}}{a^{4}} \int_{a_{\mathrm{end}}}^{a} a' \Gamma_{\Phi}(a') \rho_{\Phi}^{1/2}(a') (a')^{3}$$

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Bosonic and Fermionic Reheating





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Bosonic and Fermionic Reheating

 $\mu_X \Phi |X|^2$

Bosonic reheating

$$\Gamma_{\varPhi \to XX^\dagger}(t) = \frac{\mu_{\rm eff}^2(k)}{8\pi m_\varPhi(t)}$$

$$y\Phiar{F}F$$

Fermionic reheating

$$\Gamma_{\Phi \to F\bar{F}}(t) = \frac{y_{\text{eff}}^2(k)}{8\pi} m_{\Phi}(t)$$

$$T_{\max,b}^{4} = \frac{15}{4\pi^{3}g_{s}} \frac{k}{\sqrt{3k(k-1)}} \frac{M_{P}^{\frac{2k-4}{k}}}{\lambda^{\frac{1}{k}}} \mu_{\text{eff}}^{2} \rho_{\text{end}}^{\frac{1}{k}} \left(\frac{3}{2k+4}\right)^{\frac{2k+4}{2k+1}}$$
$$T_{\text{rh},b}^{4} = \frac{30}{\pi^{2}g_{s}} \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{8\pi(1+2k)} \sqrt{\frac{k}{k-1}} \lambda^{-\frac{1}{k}} \frac{\mu_{\text{eff}}^{2}}{M_{\text{Pl}}^{2}}\right]^{\frac{k}{k-1}} M_{\text{Pl}}^{4}$$

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$$T_{\mathrm{rh},f}^{4} = \frac{30}{\pi^{2}g_{s}} \left[\frac{k\sqrt{3k(k-1)}}{7-k} \lambda^{\frac{1}{k}} \frac{y_{\mathrm{eff}}^{2}}{8\pi}\right]^{k} M_{\mathrm{Pl}}^{4}$$



Evolution of energy densities and temperature





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Freeze-in Dark Matter Production

$$\dot{n}_{\rm DM} + 3Hn_{\rm DM} = \frac{g_P}{2\pi^2} \Gamma_P m_P^2 T K_1 \left(\frac{m_P}{T}\right)$$

Non-standard case, T_{ri} > T_{rh}

- Production of entropy during reheating
- Altered expansion rate

$$\begin{split} Y_{\rm DM}^{\rm RH}(T) &\sim \frac{\Gamma\left(T\right)}{H\left(T\right)} D(T) \\ Y_{\rm DM}^{\rm RH}\left(\frac{m_P}{z_{\rm fi}}\right) &\sim z_{\rm fi}^3 \frac{\Gamma_P \, M_{\rm Pl}}{m_P^2} \times \begin{cases} \left(\frac{z_{\rm fi} T_{\rm rh}}{m_P}\right)^{4k-1} & {\rm BR} \\ \left(\frac{z_{\rm fi} T_{\rm rh}}{m_P}\right)^{\frac{9-k}{k-1}} & {\rm FR} \end{cases} \end{split}$$



$$D(T) \simeq \frac{S(T)}{S(T_{\rm rh})} = \frac{s(T)a(T)^3}{s(T_{\rm rh})a(T_{\rm rh})^3}$$
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$$H(a) = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_{\Phi}(a) + \rho_{\rm R}(a)}}{\sqrt{3} M_{\rm Pl}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{\rm rh,b} &= \int_{z_{\rm end}}^{z_{\rm rh}} z' z'^{2+4k} K_1(z') \,, \\ \mathcal{I}_{\rm rh,f} &= \int_{z_{\rm end}}^{z_{\rm rh}} z' z'^{\frac{2k+6}{k-1}} K_1(z') \,, \\ \mathcal{I}_{\rm RD}^0 &= \int_{z_{\rm rh}}^{z_0} z' z'^3 K_1(z') \,. \end{aligned}$$



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Constraints on decay length from relic abundance

 $\frac{\varOmega_{\rm DM}h^2}{0.12}\simeq$

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		Type	$T_{\rm rh} \; [{\rm GeV}]$	$c\tau$ [m]
$(100.75)^{3/2}$		k = 2 $k = 4 BR$ $k = 4 FR$	$10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 10$	$\begin{array}{c} 2.2 \times 10^{-7} \\ 2.2 \times 10^{-11} \\ 2.0 \times 10^{-3} \end{array}$
$\frac{35 \text{ m}}{c\tau} \left(\frac{106.75}{g_s} \right)^{4} \left(\frac{m_{\rm DM}}{100 \text{ keV}} \right) \left(\frac{200 \text{ GeV}}{m_P} \right)$ $\frac{2k+4}{3} \left(\frac{T_{\rm rh}}{m_P} \right)^{4k-1} \mathcal{I}_{\rm rh,b} + \mathcal{I}_{\rm RD}^0 \text{ in BR}$	-	k = 2 $k = 4 BR$ $k = 4 FR$	20 20 20	2.6×10^{-5} 4.3×10^{-7} 5.6×10^{-3}
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		k = 2 $k = 4 BR$ $k = 4 FR$	${10^4} \\ {10^4} \\ {10^4} \\ {10^4}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.15 \\ 0.15 \\ 0.15 \end{array}$

 $m_{DM} = 12 keV, m_{P} = 500 GeV$



Collider Constraints.





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Long lived particle searches at the LHC







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Heavy Stable Charged Particles (HSCP)

Recast for Majorana DM model (Calibbi, Lopez Honorez et al. 2021)

Recast for scalar singlet DM model (Belanger, JH et al. 2019)

- parent particle is sufficiently long lived such that it decays outside the detector
 → ionizing tracks
- higher ionization energy loss / larger time-of-flight (TOF) than SM particles (as heavier)
- decay outside the tracker → *tracker-only analysis*
- decay outside the muon chamber \rightarrow tracker + TOF analysis (ct > 10m)
- comparison with upper limits obtained by production of **staus** in a gauge mediated SUSY breaking model
- F has smallish life time → re-scale the efficiency of particles that surpasse the tracker (L = 3m) / detector (L = 11 m)

$$\sigma_{eff} = \sigma \times f_{LLP}(L,\tau)$$

CMS Coll., Searches for long-lived charged particles in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s}=7$ and 8 TeV, JHEP 07 (2013) 122 CMS Coll., Search for heavy stable charged particles with 12.9 fb-1 of 2016 data, CMS-PAS-EXO-16-036 (2016).



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Displaced Leptons (DL)

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Recast for scalar singlet DM model (Belanger, JH et al. 2019)

- F can decay into **both muon and electron**
- CMS search for non-prompt RPV violating SUSY decays into e/µ final state

 $\tilde{t}_1 \to b\ell$

 search optimized for lifetimes longer than prompt searches, but shorter than long-lived BSM signatures



CMS Coll., Search for Displaced Supersymmetry in events with an electron and a muon with large impact parameters, Phys. Rev. 1240 Lett. 114 (2015), no. 6 061801

CMS Coll., Search for displaced leptons in the e-mu channel, CMS-PAS-EXO-16-022 (2016).



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Displaced Leptons (DL)





Disappearing Tracks (DT)

Recast for Majorana DM model (Calibbi, Lopez Honorez et al. 2021)

Recast for scalar singlet DM model (Belanger, JH et al. 2019)

- **isolated track** reconstructed in the pixel and strip detectors without any hit in the outer tracker (CMS) or a track with only pixel hits (ATLAS)
- ATLAS can reconstruct tracks down to 12 cm, CMS 25-30 cm
- CMS has better coverage for longer life times cτ > 1m
- AMSB motivated scenario with mass degenerate lightest chargino and neutralino
- **Recasting** of two analyses of ATLAS and CMS

$$\mathcal{N} = \sigma_{\mathrm{pp} \to \mathrm{F}\bar{\mathrm{F}}} \times \varepsilon(m,\tau) \times \mathcal{L}$$

ATLAS Coll., Search for long-lived charginos based on a disappearing-track signature in pp collisions at \sqrt{s} = 13TeV with the ATLAS detector, JHEP06 (2018) 022

CMS Coll., Search for disappearing tracks as a signature of new long-lived particles in proton-proton collisions at √s=13 TeV, arXiv:1804.07321



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disappearing track

Disappearing Tracks (DT)







Constraints from LLP searches at the LHC

Leptophilic scalar singlet DM model



Constraints from LLP searches at the LHC

Muonphilic Majorana DM model

Constraints from Inflation.

Linking to inflationary models

$$V(\Phi) = \lambda \frac{|\Phi|^k}{M^{k-4}}$$

Reheating potential can be obtained ($\Phi < M_{Pl}$), e.g. from

E-model:

T-model:

$$V(\Phi) = \Lambda^4 \left[\tanh\left(\frac{\Phi}{\sqrt{6\alpha}M_{\rm Pl}}\right) \right]^{2n}$$

$$V(\Phi) \simeq \Lambda^4 \left(\frac{2}{3\alpha}\right)^n \left(\frac{\Phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}\right)^{2n} \equiv \frac{\lambda}{M_{\rm Pl}^{k-4}} \Phi^k$$

 $V(\Phi) = \Lambda^4 \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3\alpha}}\frac{\Phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} \right)^{2n}$

$$V(\Phi) \simeq \frac{\lambda}{M_{\rm Pl}^{k-4}} \Phi^k \qquad \qquad k = 2n$$

 $\lambda = \left(\frac{\Lambda}{M_{\rm Pl}}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{6\alpha}\right)^n$

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Linking to inflationary models

End of inflation if slow roll conditions are fulfilled:

$$\epsilon_V \equiv \frac{M_{\rm Pl}^2}{2} \left(\frac{V'}{V}\right)^2 < 1 \qquad \qquad \eta_V \equiv M_{\rm Pl}^2 \left(\frac{V''}{V}\right) < 1$$

Experimental constraints can be evaluated by

$$r = 16\epsilon_V \qquad \qquad n_s = 1 - 6\epsilon_V + 2\eta_V$$

$$A_{s,\star} = \frac{V}{24\pi^2 \epsilon_V M_{\rm Pl}^4}$$

and compared with

$$A_{s,\star} = (2.1 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-9}$$
 $n_s = 0.9659 \pm 0.0040$ $r_{0.05} < 0.035, \quad 95\% \,\mathrm{C.L.}$

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$$n = 1$$

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Experimental status: PLANCK+BICEP/Keck Array

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Reheating temperature from inflation

From slow roll conditions, field value at the end of inflation can be evaluated

 $\rho_{\Phi,\mathrm{end}} = rac{3}{2}V(\Phi_{\mathrm{end}})$

Derive expression for T_{rh} by relating different epochs and cross-link to observables

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Constraints on reheating temperature from inflation

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Combining results.

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Future prospects.

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Future prospects: CMB-S4

- CMB-S4 has potential to rule out α =2
- E- and T-model for α=1 give similar results
- Kink due to change in scaling moves to larger m_p
- Constraints from inflation reach high m_p

For $m_p > T_{rh}$

- $\rightarrow\,$ lower reheating temperatures imply smaller decay lengths
- $\rightarrow\,$ minimal decay length from Lyman- α moved to smaller values

Conclusions

- Freeze-in during reheating leads to smaller parent particle decay lengths required for not overproducing DM
- Constraints from inflation in particular relevant for large parent particle masses
- reheating potential, nature of inflaton-matter coupling, as well as magnitude of reheating temperature can have significant impact on FIMP DM production and interpretation of collider limits
- Long-lived DM parent particle can shed light on reheating dynamics
- Too small T_{rh} could rule out many popular high-scale baryogenesis/leptogenesis models

→ Complementary insights from early Universe and laboratory experiments!

Thank you for your attention!

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Comparison

