

Asymmetric Dark Matter from a GeV Hidden Sector

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- We all know the well motivated (dare I say miraculous?) example of the WIMP.
- Are there other canonical paradigms we should be exploring as well? Maybe we should hold a workshop on this subject.

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I will argue that a supersymmetric model of a dark sector with a dark photon which has kinetic mixing with the SM photon satisfies all of these conditions.

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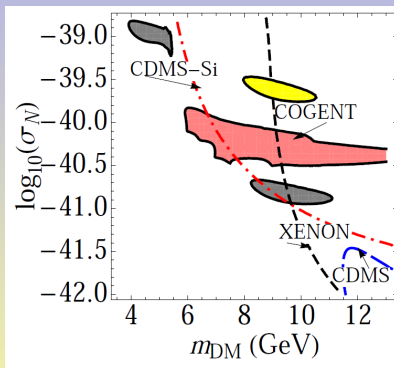
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Is there a consistent dark matter interpretation? Have we in fact discovered dark matter?!?

- One analysis (L. Fitzpatrick, D. Hooper, K. Zurek [arXiv:1003.0014]) claims that there is a consistent picture where DAMA and CoGeNT (and CDMS?) can all be consistent with the null results.
- Requires assumptions about \mathcal{L}_{eff} for Xenon10 and the fraction of channeling in DAMA.



- (See, e.g. (S. Chang, J. Liu, A. Pierce, N. Weiner, I. Yavin [arXiv:1004.0697]) for another analysis.)

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$$E_{\text{nr}} \sim \frac{S1}{\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}},$$

$$E_{\text{nr}} = \frac{S2}{Q_y}.$$

- Signals are normally reported in terms of $\ln(S1/S2)$ vs $S1$.
- Note: There is a large experimental uncertainty in \mathcal{L}_{eff} for low energies.

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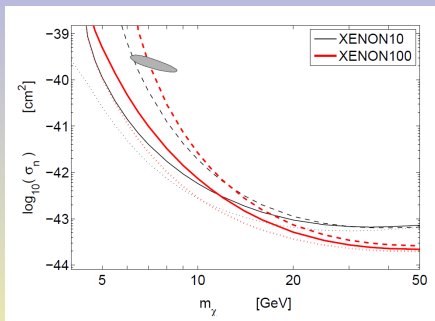
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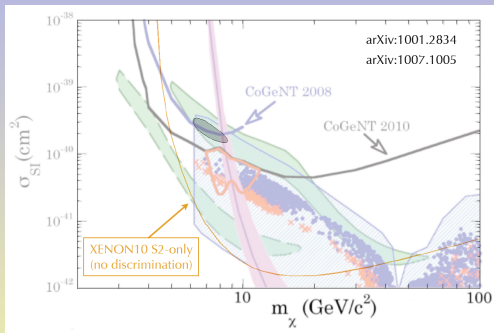
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- The shaded ellipse is the DAMA-CoGeNT allowed window.
- The solid lines are claimed to be the best fit for \mathcal{L}_{eff} and Q_y using this updated analysis.

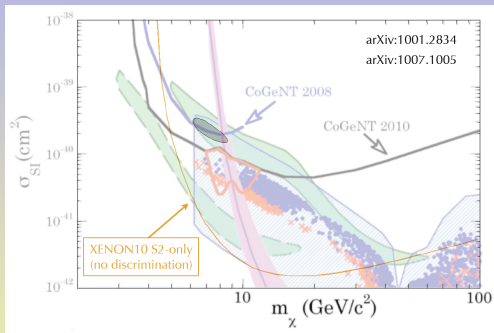
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- Both analyses look bad for the DAMA-CoGeNT window.
- **BUT** our model provides a near-term probeable window for light dark matter direct detection experiments.

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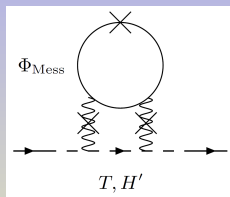
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- We require $\sqrt{2} g_d < \lambda \Rightarrow m_{\gamma_d} < m_{\text{DM}}$. This allows the symmetric component of the DM to annihilate efficiently to dark photons.

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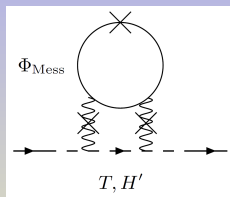
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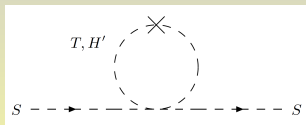
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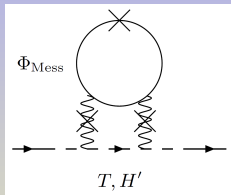
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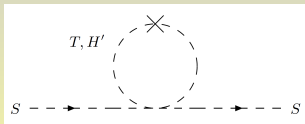
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- For canonical parameters:

$$\Delta \tilde{m}_{T, H'}^2 \simeq (0.05 \text{ GeV})^2 \text{ and } \Delta \tilde{m}_S^2 \simeq -(0.02 \text{ GeV})^2 \lambda^2.$$

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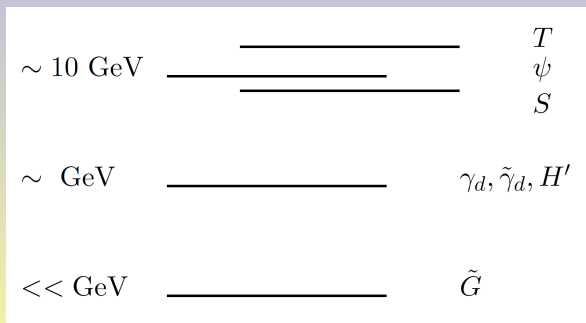
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Summary of all contributions to the spectrum:



- Note that S is the *lightest* state of the massive chiral superfield. Therefore, it is the DM.

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$$m_{\text{DM}} = \frac{158}{33} \frac{p}{|Q_{B-L}|} \frac{\Omega_{\text{DM}}}{\Omega_B} \frac{B}{B-L} m_p \simeq (7.1 \text{ GeV}) \frac{p}{|Q_{B-L}|},$$

where $B/(B-L) \simeq 0.35$ with $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ uncertainty due to the details of the sphalerons decoupling and electroweak phase transition temperature.

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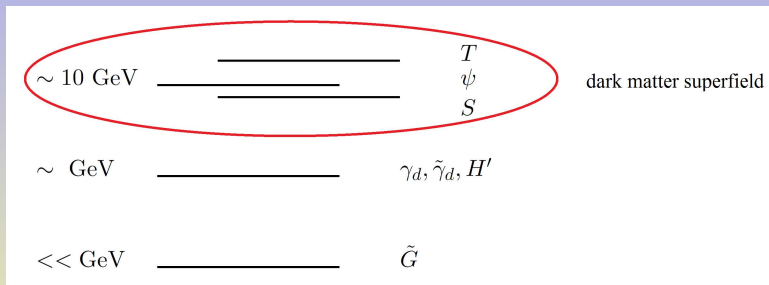
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Now let us analyze the cosmology of the dark matter:



The **asymmetric** DM abundance:

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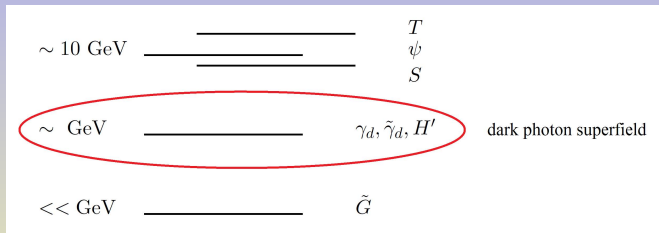
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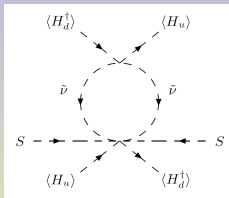
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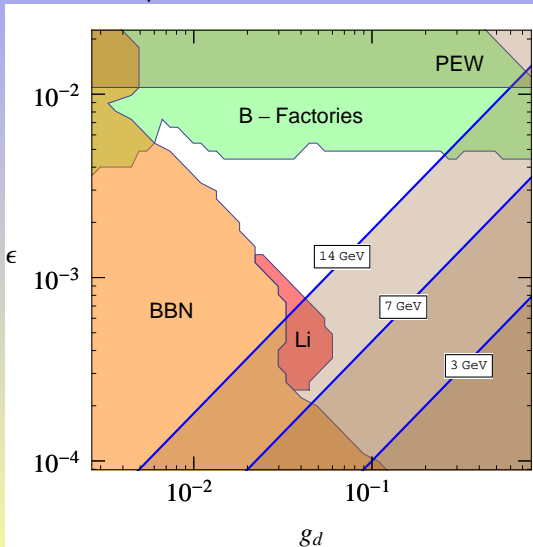
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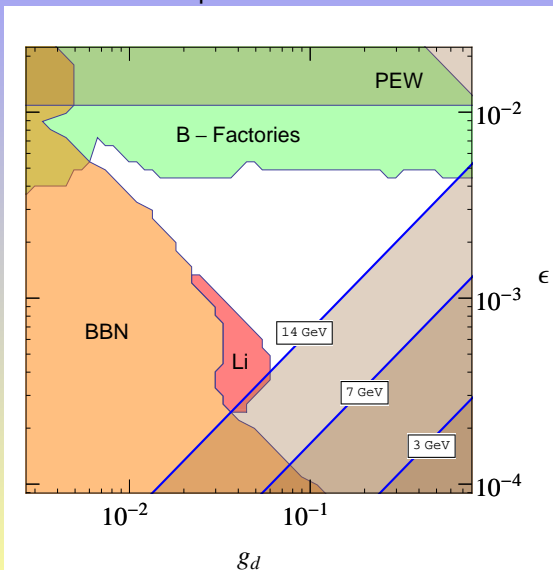
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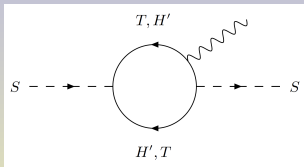
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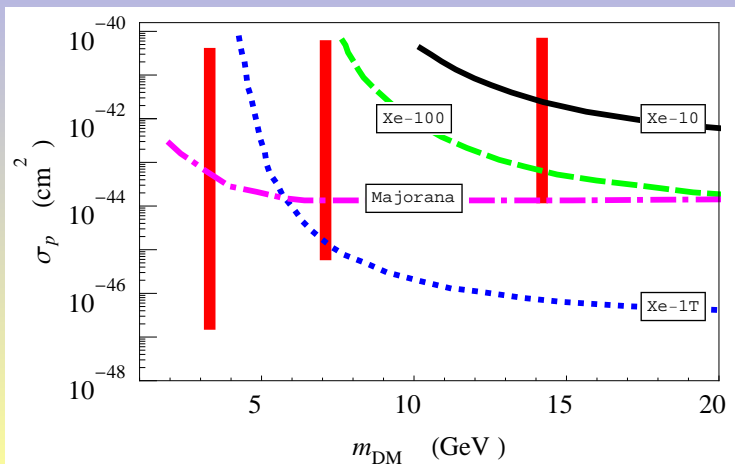


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