

Title: Cosmology and Astrophysics of the Twin Higgs

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Abstract: <p>The Twin Higgs model is an attractive solution to the little Hierarchy problem with top partners that are neutral under SM gauge charges. The framework is consistent with the null result of LHC colored top partner searches while offering many alternative discovery channels. Depending on model details, the phenomenology looks very different: either spectacular long-lived particle signals at colliders, or a plethora of unusual cosmological and astrophysical signatures via the existence of a predictive hidden sector. I will examine the latter possibility, and describe how the asymmetrically reheated Mirror Twin Higgs provides a predictive framework for a highly motivated and highly non-trivial interacting dark sector, with correlated signals in the CMB, Large Scale Structure, and direct detection searches, as well as higgs precision measurements at colliders. This provides a vivid example of the collider-cosmology complementarity, and motivates a variety of new astrophysical searches that are motivated by the hierarchy problem.</p>

# Cosmology and Astrophysics of the Twin Higgs

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Based on 1803.03263, 1812.xxxxx Chacko, DC, Geller, Tsai  
& ongoing work with Jack Setford, Shayne Gryba, ...

# There has to be new physics...

The usual **fundamental mysteries** (Hierarchy Problem, DM, Baryogenesis, Neutrinos, ...) aren't going anywhere.

*Higgs discoveries and DM astro measurements sharpen these questions!*

**Canonical solutions** (SUSY, WIMP DM, ...) generally involve IR-minimal models, where the **new degree of freedom** which solves the mystery has **sizable direct coupling to the SM**.

**This leads to irreducible signatures that haven't shown up so far.**

**... where is it?**

# Hidden Sectors

Particles & forces hidden from us due to small coupling, not high mass.

Generically arise due to the grammar of QFT.

Confirmed examples:  $\nu$ 's, DM

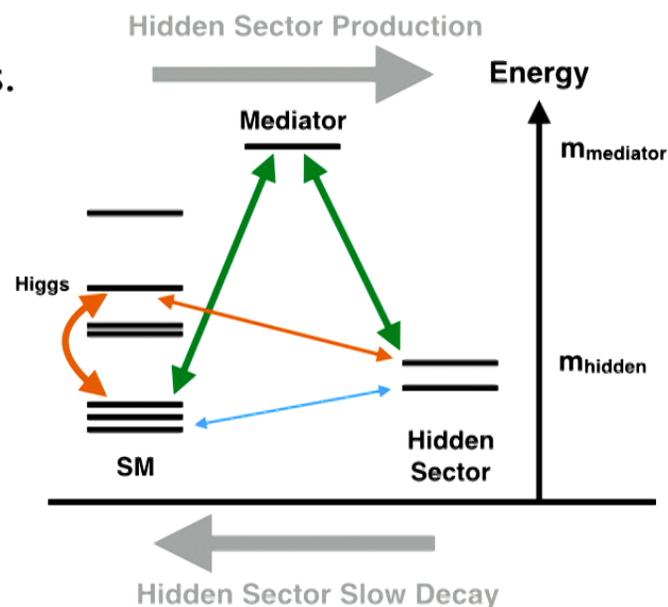
Give non-minimal IR spectra from minimal theory input (e.g. QCD cousins like Hidden Valleys)

Can couple to SM via small portal couplings, e.g.

**Heavy Mediators**

**Higgs Portal**

**Photon Portal**



## 1. Exotic Higgs Decays as probes

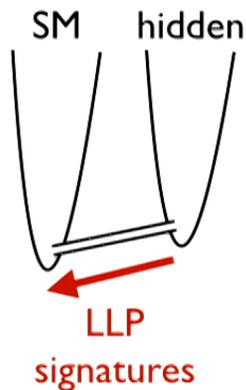
LHC can probe tiny exotic branching ratios if decays spectacular.  
Sizable Higgs Portal couplings to new physics are generic.

## 2. Long Lived Particles (LLPs) are generic

Once produced, Hidden Sector states can only decay back to SM via small portal couplings, generically leading to long lifetimes.

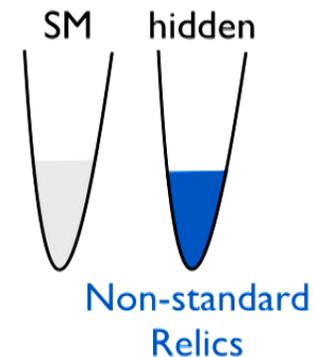
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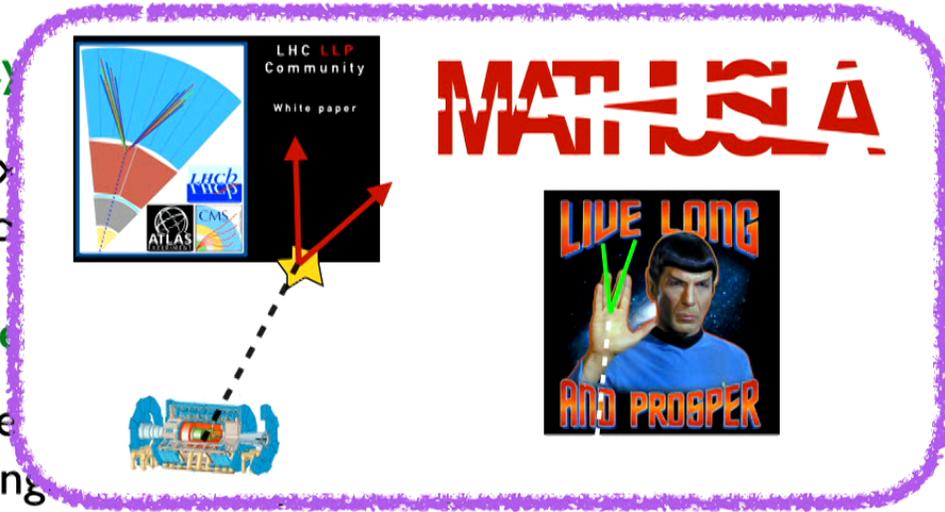
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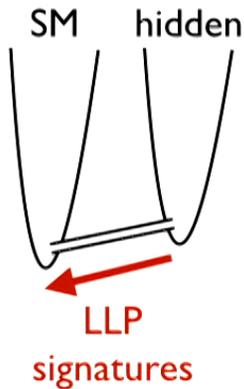
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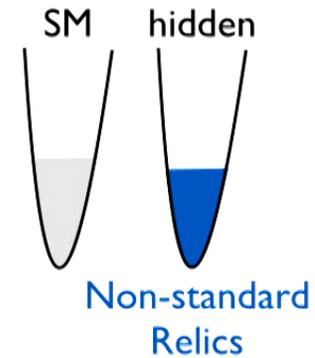


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Hidden sectors can give rise to  
“arbitrarily” rich cosmology and astrophysics.

**Can we make this predictive?**

**Yes: make the hidden sector solve some of  
these fundamental mysteries.**

→ “signature generator” of  
complex hidden sector phenomena

# Neutral Naturalness

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Solves the (little) Hierarchy Problem without colored top partners to explain LHC null results.

Example of a particularly motivated hidden sector.

Solution to the hierarchy problem that is discoverable via non-standard searches and demonstrates collider-cosmo complementarity: either get

**LLP signals**

or

**very rich cosmology and astrophysics**

hep-ph/0609152 Burdman, Chacko, Goh, Harnik

hep-ph/0506256 Chacko, Goh, Harnik

# Minimal Twin Higgs (MTH)

$SM_A \times SM_B$  (mirror sector) particle content with  $Z_2$  symmetry

Higgs sector:  $SU(4)$ , broken by Gauge + Yukawa interactions to  $SU(2)_A \times SU(2)_B \times Z_2$ , which generate mass for goldstone boson.

$$\Delta V = \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \Lambda^2 (\lambda_A^2 H_A^\dagger H_A + \lambda_B^2 H_B^\dagger H_B) \quad \xrightarrow{\lambda_A = \lambda_B \equiv \lambda} \quad \Delta V = \frac{3\lambda^2}{8\pi^2} \Lambda^2 (H_A^\dagger H_A + H_B^\dagger H_B) = \frac{3\lambda^2}{8\pi^2} \Lambda^2 H^\dagger H$$

$Z_2$  symmetry of quadratically divergent contributions mimics full  $SU(4)$  symmetry, protects pNGB Higgs mass @ 1-loop.

This is an IR model up to few TeV.  
Have to UV complete.

O(dozen) examples in literature

$Z_2$  symmetry  $\rightarrow$  hidden sector copy of SM [a complicated hidden valley!]

Strassler, Zurek 2006

Soft  $Z_2$  breaking to make hidden higgs vev higher than SM to avoid Higgs bounds:  $v_B/v_A > \sim 3$

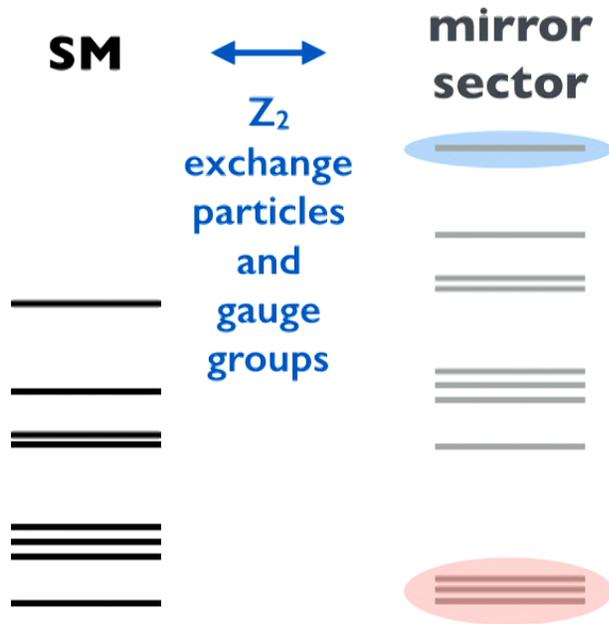
This requires tuning  $\sim (v_B/v_A)^2 \sim \text{Br}(h \rightarrow \text{mirror})$

Uncolored top partners.

Massless degrees of freedom: (twin photon, neutrinos)

$\Rightarrow \Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 5$

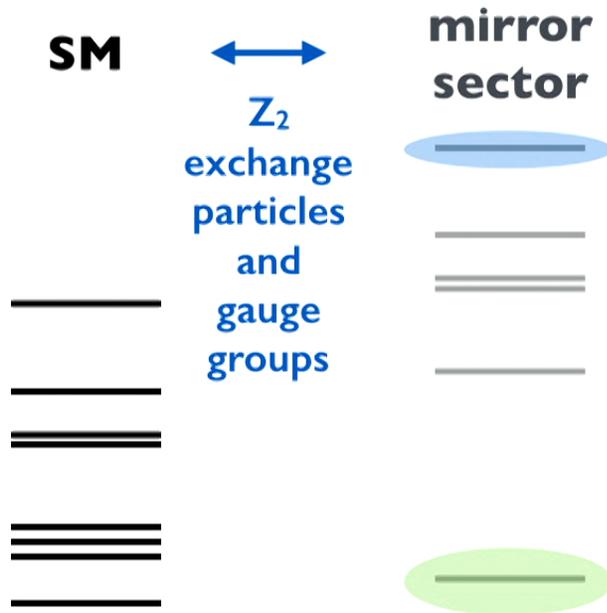
**Minimal model incompatible with cosmology.**



Fix I: *Hard*  $Z_2$  breakings  
e.g. Fraternal Twin Higgs

Craig, Katz, Strassler, Sundrum 1501.05310

→ mirror QCD  
gives rise to light LLPs  
produced via Higgs portal



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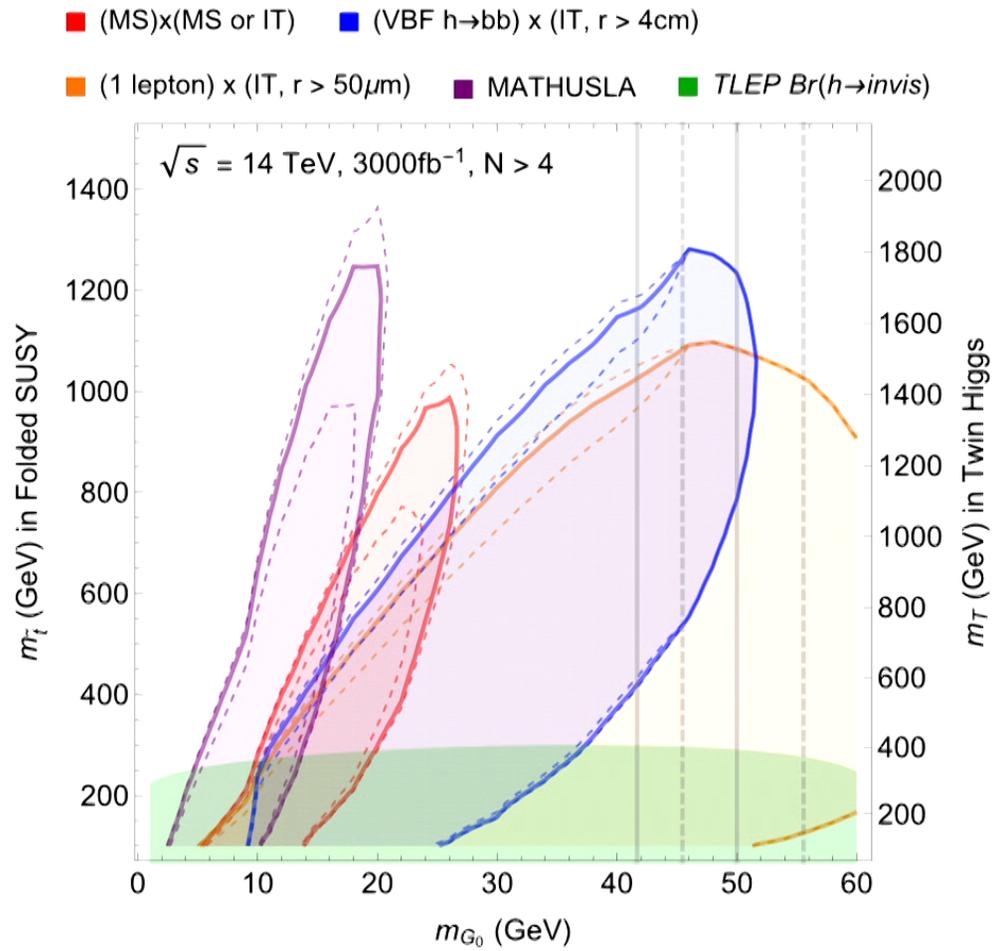
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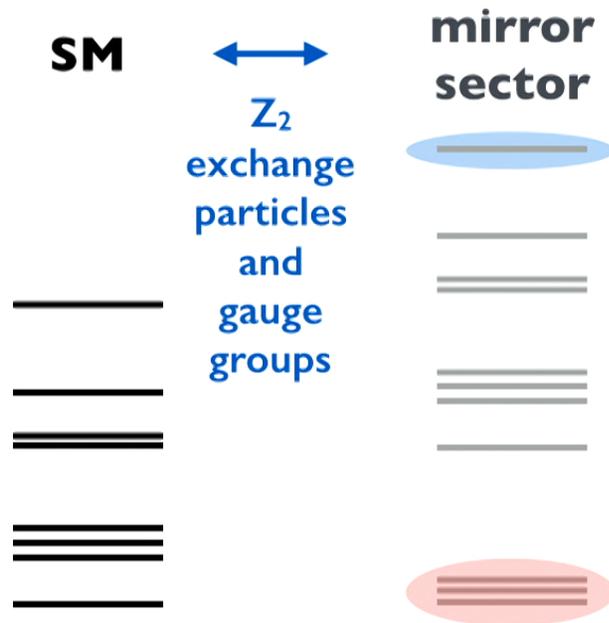
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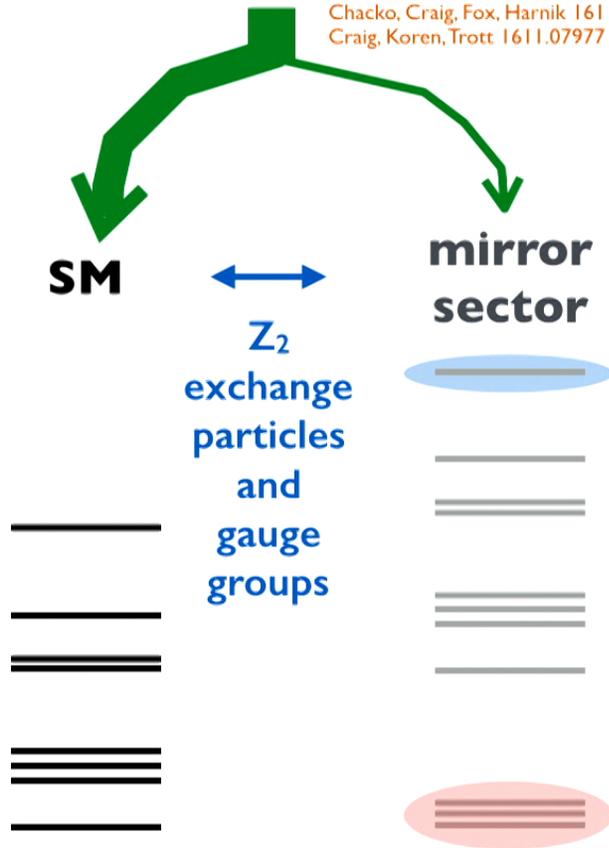
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Fix 2: dilute mirror sector  
cosmological abundance:  
**Asymmetric Reheating!**

Chacko, Craig, Fox, Harnik 1611.07975  
Craig, Koren, Trott 1611.07977



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Br(h → mirror)

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# Asymmetrically Reheated Mirror Twin Higgs

# Example: $\nu$ MTH

Let's also solve the Neutrino Mass problem: add RH neutrinos to MTH and implement type-I See-saw

Toy model with 1 RH neutrino **without  $Z_2$  breaking**  
(can extend to 3 & various realistic flavor models):

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -y(L_A H_A N_A + L_B H_B N_B) - \frac{1}{2} M_N (N_A^2 + N_B^2) - M_{AB} N_A N_B + \text{h.c.}$$

RH-neutrino mass eigenstates live in both sectors:

$$N_+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (N_A + N_B)$$
$$N_- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (N_A - N_B)$$

# Example: $\nu$ MTH

Only source of  $Z_2$  breaking is larger mirror Higgs vev, but this causes lightest RH neutrino to decay preferentially to SM (heavier mirror  $W$  boson):

$$\epsilon = \frac{\Gamma_{N \rightarrow B}}{\Gamma_N} \approx \frac{v^2}{f^2}$$

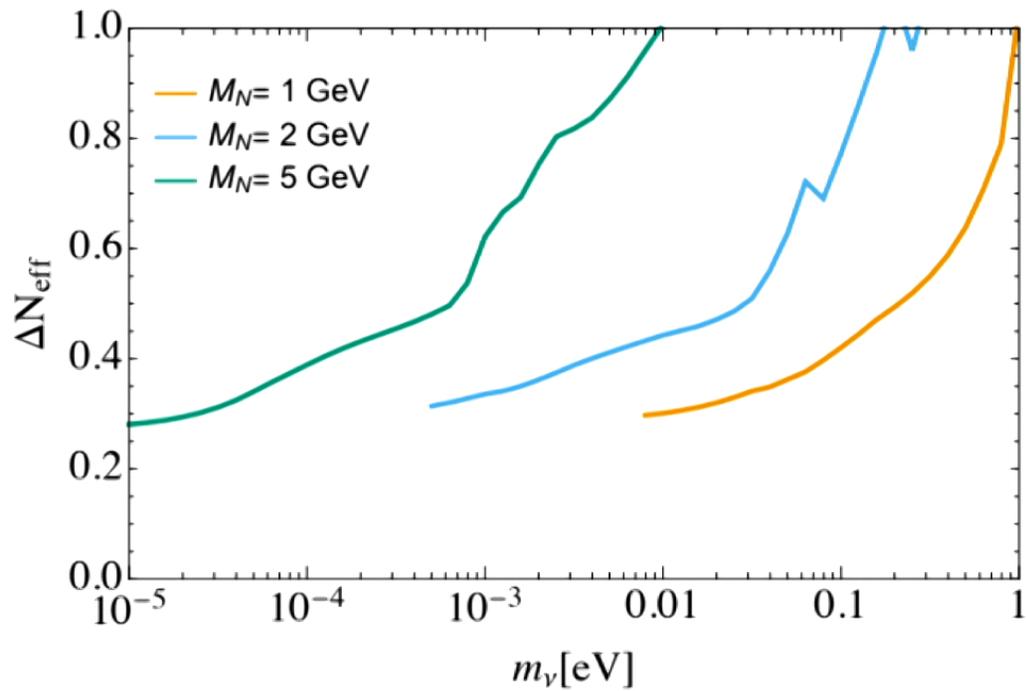
If the Neutrinos have mass at GeV scale, decay out of equilibrium AFTER the higgs portal freezes out (mirror & visible sector decoupled). → **Dilute mirror sector!**

$$M_N < 1 \text{ GeV} \left( \frac{0.01 \text{ eV}}{m_\nu} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 5 \epsilon = 5 (v/f)^2$$

# Example: $\nu$ MTH

More realistic three-flavor  $Z_2$ -respecting model with  $\nu/f \sim 4$ :



# Phenomenology

In the VMTH, the dilution is dictated by  $(v_A/v_B)^2$ , which is the tuning of the model and also measurable at colliders via  $\text{Br}(h \rightarrow \text{invis})$ .

Long-lived RH neutrino might also be detectable.

**But let's focus on cosmology and astrophysics.**

Choose a general parameterization of the Asymmetric Reheating mechanism within the MTH framework:

$$\Delta N_{eff}, \quad v_B/v_A, \quad r_{\text{all}} = \Omega_{\text{all mirror baryons}}/\Omega_{\text{DM}}.$$

*model like  
VMTH connects  
these two*

*any mirror-baryogenesis  
mechanism will give some  
asymmetric mirror relic abundance*

1803.03263 Chacko, DC, Geller, Tsai

Three parameters determine a rich hidden sector dictated by the hierarchy problem.

$$\Delta N_{eff}, \quad v_B/v_A, \quad r_{\text{all}} = \Omega_{\text{all mirror baryons}}/\Omega_{\text{DM}}^*$$

What does the cosmology and astrophysics look like?

We have to recalculate all of cosmological history...

*\*For now, no assumptions on what the majority of DM is made of... [work in progress with Shayne Gryba]*

Asymmetrically Reheated MTH:

# Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

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# Mirror Nuclear Physics

Only difference to SM is  $v_B/v_A$

proton mass: ~30-50% higher than SM

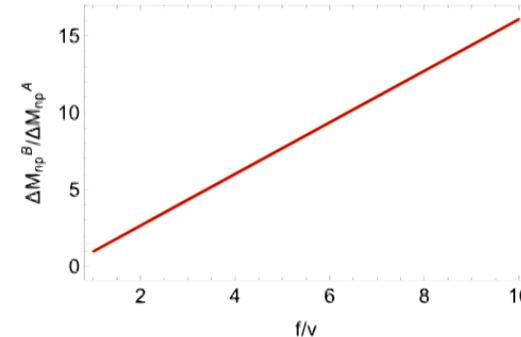
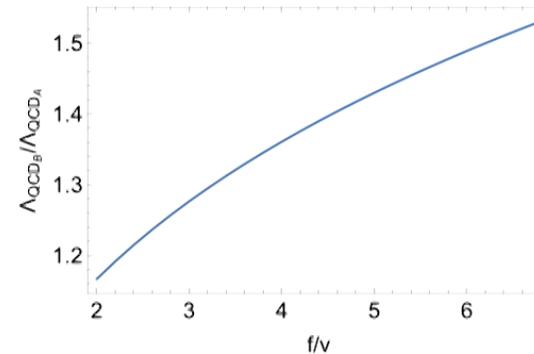
$$\frac{m_{\hat{p}}}{m_p} \approx \frac{m_{\hat{n}}}{m_n} \approx \frac{\Lambda_{QCD_B}}{\Lambda_{QCD_A}} \approx 0.68 + 0.41 \log(1.32 + v_B/v_A)$$

proton-neutron mass difference:  
~5x SM

$$\Delta M_{np} \approx C(m_d - m_u) - D\alpha_{EM}\Lambda_{QCD}.$$

get coeffs from lattice 1406.4088 & rescale by  $\Lambda_{QCD_B}$

$$\frac{\Delta M_{\hat{n}\hat{p}}}{\Delta M_{np}} \approx 1.68 v_B/v_A - 0.68, \quad \Delta M_{np} = 1.29 \text{ MeV}.$$



# Mirror Deuteron Binding Energy

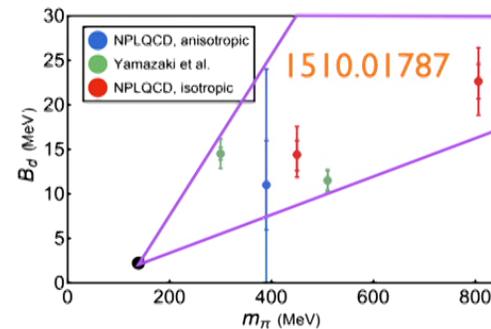
Deuteron binding energy is important for BBN.

SM Deuteron is “unnaturally” unstable (small binding energy  $B_D$ ) due to “accidental” cancellation of pion vs 4-fermi term

Lattice: Deuteron remains stable at heavier pion masses!

$$B_D^{\min} = -(0.66 \text{ MeV}) + 0.021 m_\pi,$$

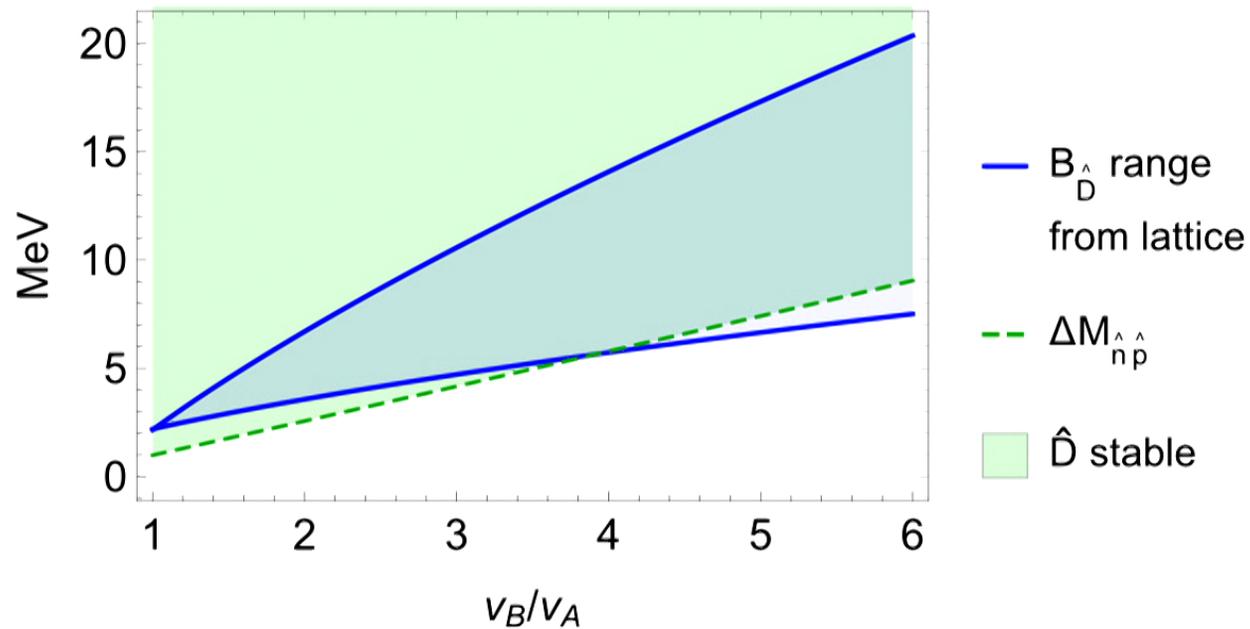
$$B_D^{\max} = -(9.2 \text{ MeV}) + 0.084 m_\pi,$$



Rescaling by mirror pion mass and  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ , we can estimate mirror Deuteron binding energy!

$$m_{\hat{\pi}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\Lambda}_{\text{QCD}} v_B}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} v_A}} m_\pi \approx \sqrt{[0.68 + 0.41 \log(1.32 + v_B/v_A)] \frac{v_B}{v_A}} m_\pi$$

# Mirror Deuteron Binding Energy



**Accidental Aside: disproves “atomic principle”?**

(Agrawal, Barr, Donoghue, Seckel hep-ph/9707380)

*Come back to this*

# BBN in the SM

Want to compute n/p ratio. This determines Helium Fraction.

$$X_n \equiv n_n / (n_n + n_p)$$

Neutron-Proton weak conversion freezes out at 0.2 MeV ( $t \sim 20s$ )

$$X_n^{\text{FO}} = 0.15 \quad T = T_n^{\text{FO}} \approx 0.2 \text{ MeV}$$

Deuterium bottleneck:

Helium doesn't form until  $T < \sim 0.1 \text{ MeV}$  around  $t = t_{\text{ns}} = 180s$ .

This causes some neutrons to decay ( $\tau_n = 880s$ ):

$$X_n(t_{\text{ns}}) \approx X_n^{\text{FO}} e^{-t_{\text{ns}}/\tau_n} \approx 0.122 \quad \Rightarrow \quad Y_p(\text{He}) = \frac{\rho_{\text{He}}}{\rho_{\text{H}} + \rho_{\text{He}}} \approx 0.24$$

# BBN in the mirror sector

Mirror sector temperature colder as dictated by  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$ ,

$$\frac{\hat{T}}{T} = \left( \frac{g_{\star A}}{g_{\star B}} \right)^{1/3} \left( \frac{\Delta N_{\text{eff}}}{7.4} \right)^{1/4} < 1.$$

Neutron-proton freeze-out modified due to heavier W-mass and larger mass difference:

$$\Gamma_{\hat{n}} = \Gamma_n \left( \Delta M_{\hat{n}\hat{p}} / \Delta M_{np} \right)^5 (v_B / v_A)^{-4}$$

$\Rightarrow$  obtain prediction for  $X_{\hat{n}}^{\text{FO}}$

**Deuteron bottleneck is less severe in mirror sector!**

*Assuming the ratio of mirror temperature / mirror Deuteron binding energy is the same when mirror Deuteron bottleneck resolves, neutron decay only reduces FO abundance by  $\sim 10\%$ , can ignore it here.*

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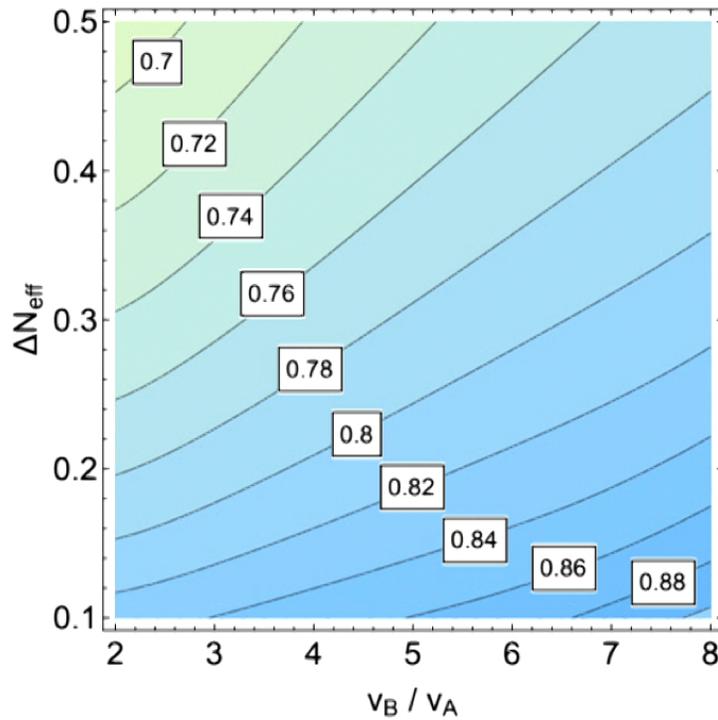
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$$\hat{Y}_p(^4\hat{\text{He}}) = \rho_{\hat{\text{He}}} / (\rho_{\hat{\text{He}}} + \rho_{\hat{\text{H}}})$$



(SM: 0.245)

**MTH BBN  
Prediction:**

**~75% Mirror Helium  
Mass Fraction**

Asymmetrically Reheated MTH:

# Large Scale Structure

*(Slides by  
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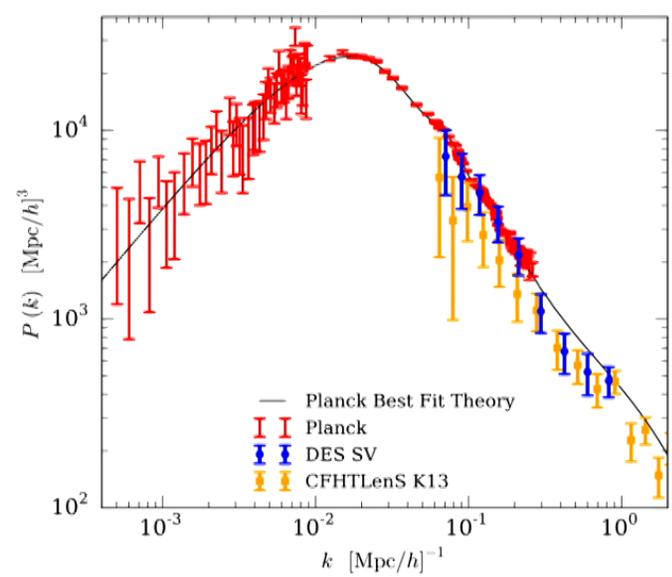
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# Large Scale Structure of the Universe

$$P(k)_s \propto k^{-3} \langle \delta_s(k, a)^2 \rangle$$

Density Perturbation

$$\delta_i \equiv \frac{\delta \rho_i}{\bar{\rho}_i} \quad i = \text{DM}, \gamma, b, \nu$$



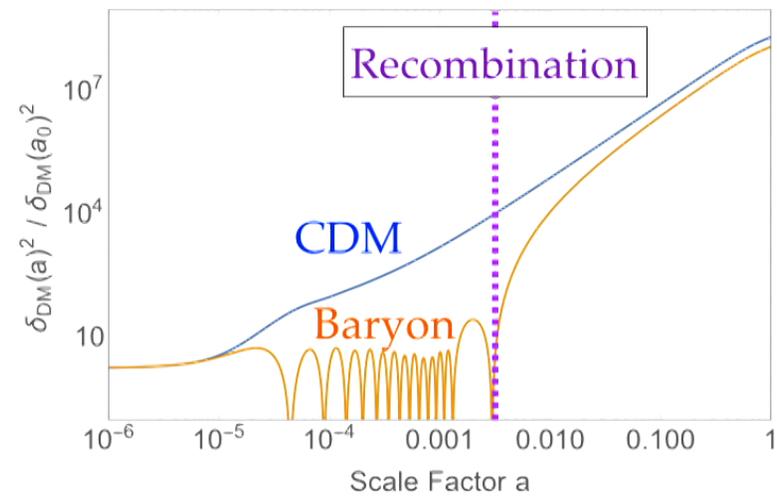
Fourier transform into  
frequency modes

$$\delta_i(x, a) \rightarrow \delta_i(k, a)$$

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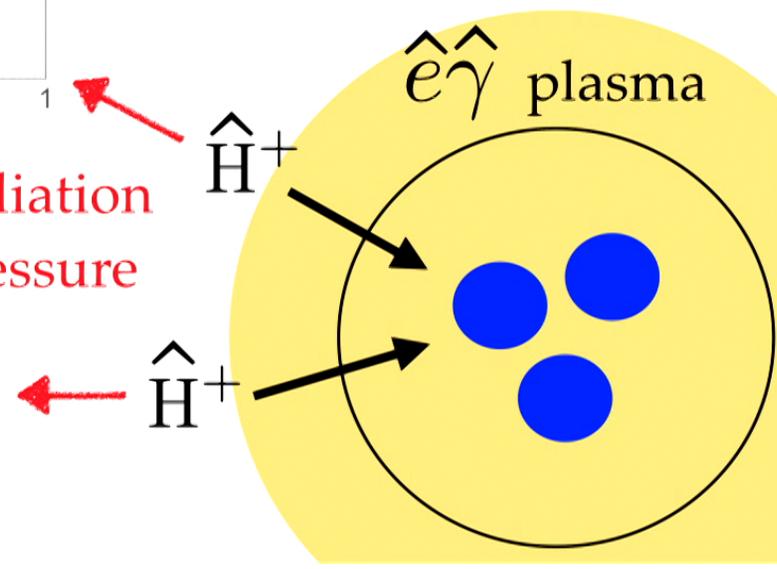
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# Mirror Baryon Acoustic Oscillation (BAO)



The scattering forbids mirror baryons to form structure

radiation pressure

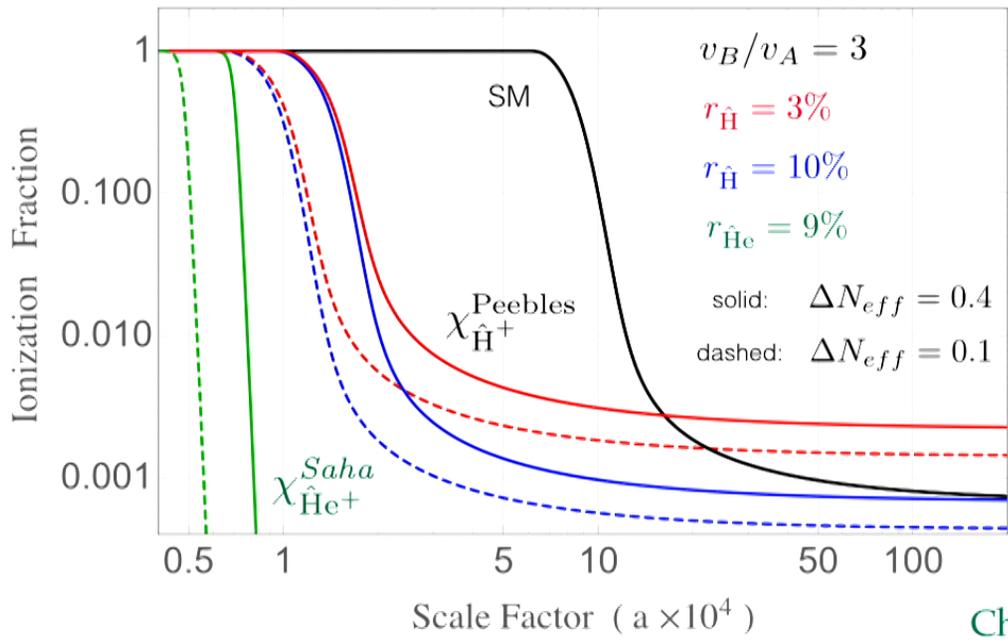


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# Oscillation stops after recombination

$$\text{H}^+ + e^- \rightarrow \text{H}^0 + \gamma + (\gamma) \quad \frac{n_{\text{H}^+} n_{e^-}}{n_{\text{H}^0}} \sim \left( \frac{m_e T}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{T}}$$

Saha's eq

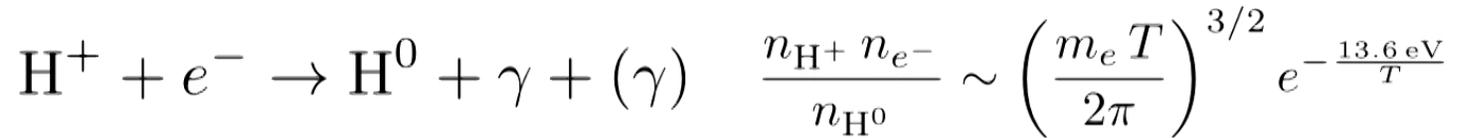


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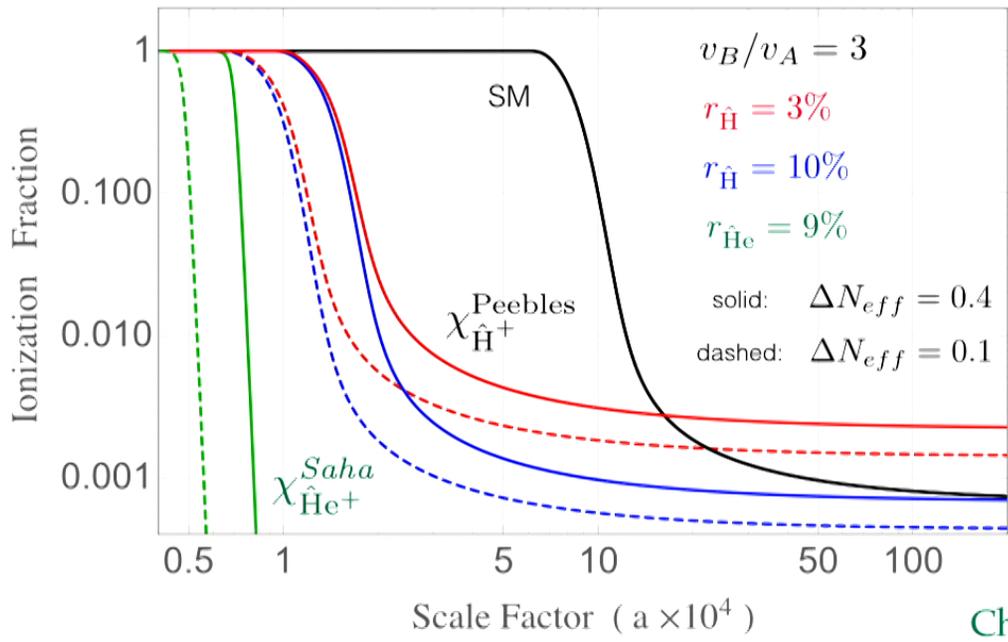
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# Quantify the suppression of matter structure

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$$\delta_{tot}(k) = \sum_{i=\chi, \hat{b}, p} (\Omega_i / \Omega_m) \delta_i(k),$$

With mirror oscillations

$$\text{P.S. Ratio}(k) \equiv \frac{\delta_{tot}^2(k) \Big|_{\Lambda\text{CDM+MTH}}}{\delta_{tot}^2(k) \Big|_{\Lambda\text{CDM+DR}}}$$

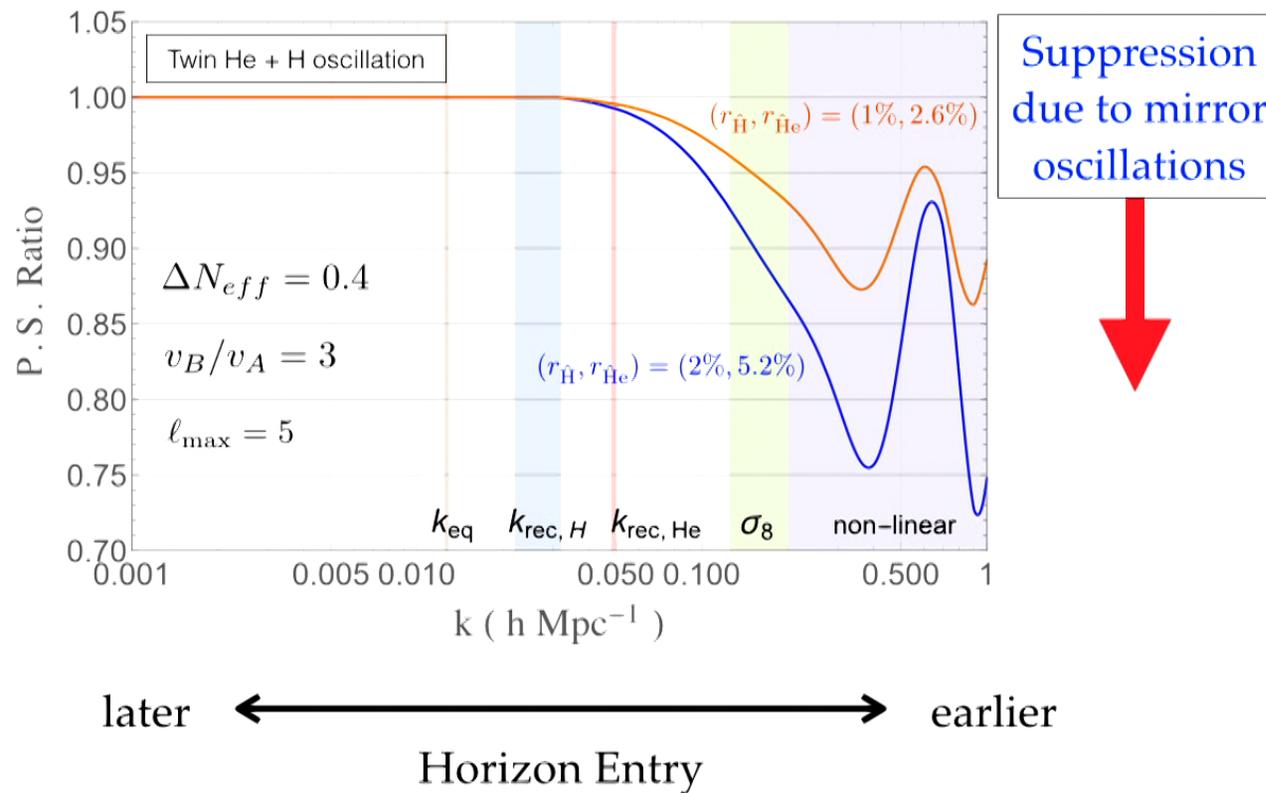
Without mirror oscillations

Twin acoustic oscillations  $\longrightarrow$  P.S. Ratio  $< 1$

**Can LSS Measurements give a constraint  
on the mirror DM fraction  $r_{\text{all}}$ ?**

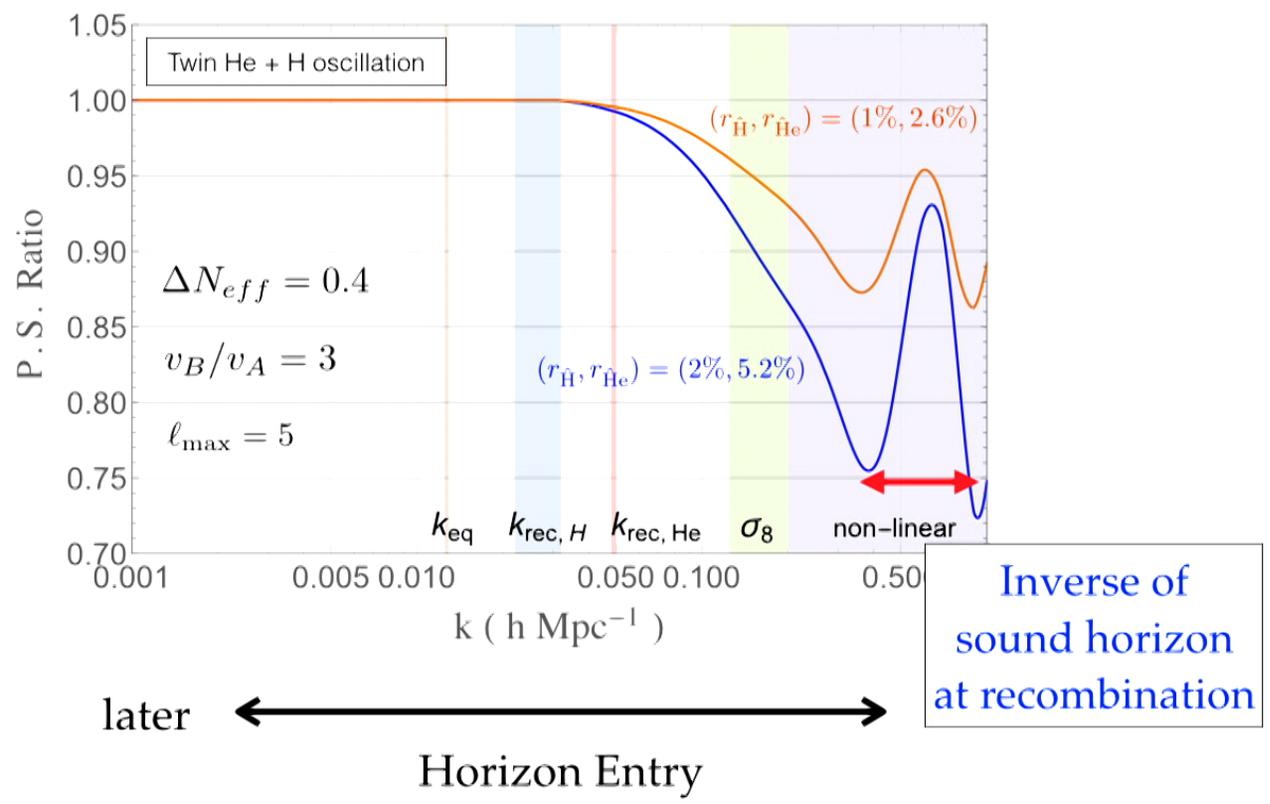
# Suppression of the Large Scale Structure

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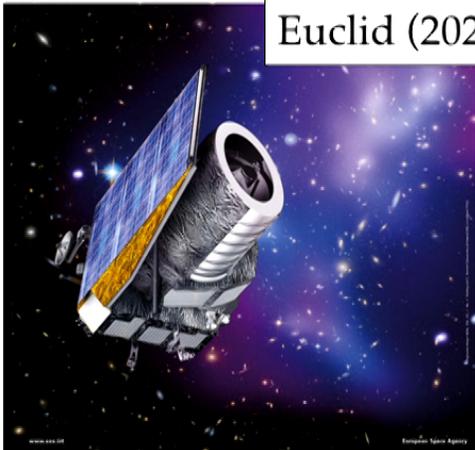
# Oscillation pattern



# Precision measurement of the LSS

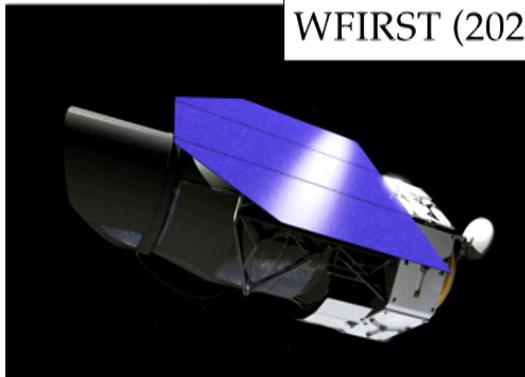
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Euclid (2020')



Present level precision  
in ~ 10 years

WFIRST (2020')

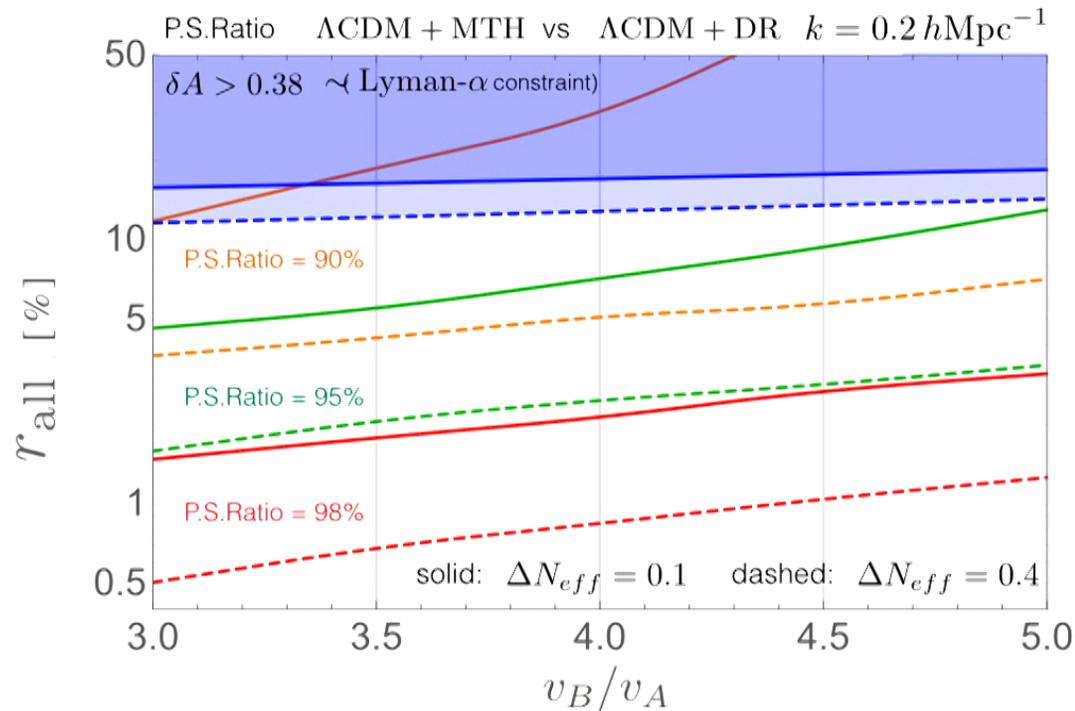


LSST (2019')



# LSS constraint on mirror particle density

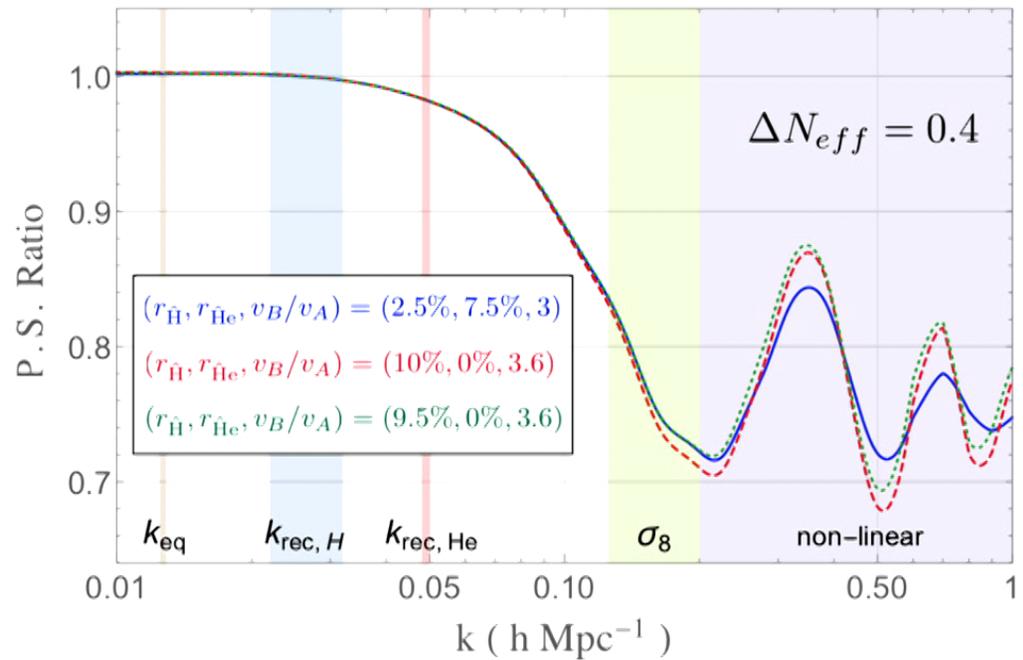
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Current bound  $\Omega_{\hat{H}+\hat{H}_e}/\Omega_{\text{DM}} < 10\%$  Future bound,  $< 1\%$

# Large Scale Structure as dark atom spectroscopy

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**Would need additional data (collider, direct detection, ...) to break degeneracy of precise atomic composition**

later ←————→ earlier  
Horizon entry

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# CMB Signals

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# CMB Signals

1.  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$  is reduced by asymmetric reheating. Precise dilution is model-dependent and can be correlated with collider measurements, e.g.  $\nu\text{MTH: dilution} \sim (v_A/v_B)^2 \sim \text{Br}(h \rightarrow \text{invis})$
2. Irreducible signature of unbroken  $Z_2$ : free-streaming vs scattering ratio of additional radiation has SM-like ratio:

$$\frac{\Delta N_{eff}^{\hat{\nu}}}{\Delta N_{eff}^{\hat{\gamma}}} = \frac{3}{4.4}$$

**MTH Smoking Gun accessible with CMB Stage-IV!**

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# Mirror Baryons in our Galaxy

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Where are the mirror baryons today?

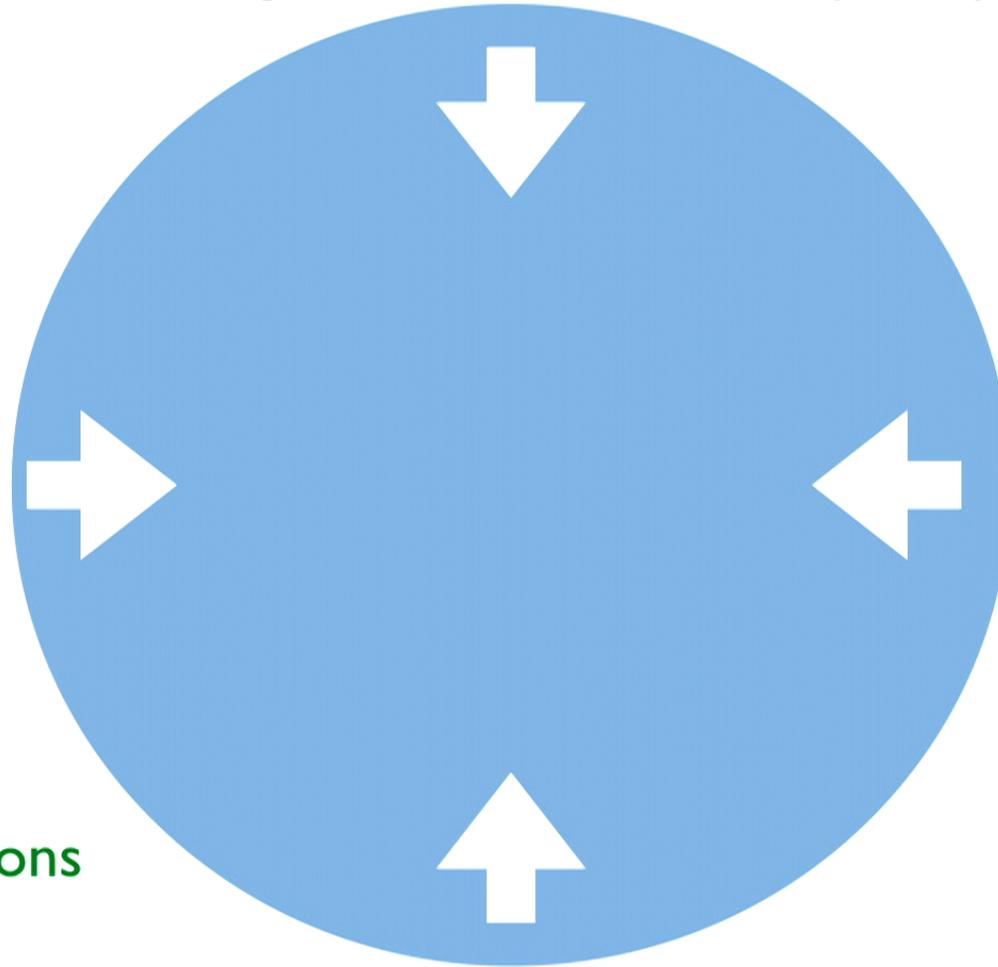
Can we detect them in DM direct detection experiments?

Could they give rise to novel astrophysical phenomena?

see also “Double Disk DM” (Fan, Katz, Randall, Reece 1303.1521), but we solve for distribution of dissipative DM component and have to worry about nuclear physics

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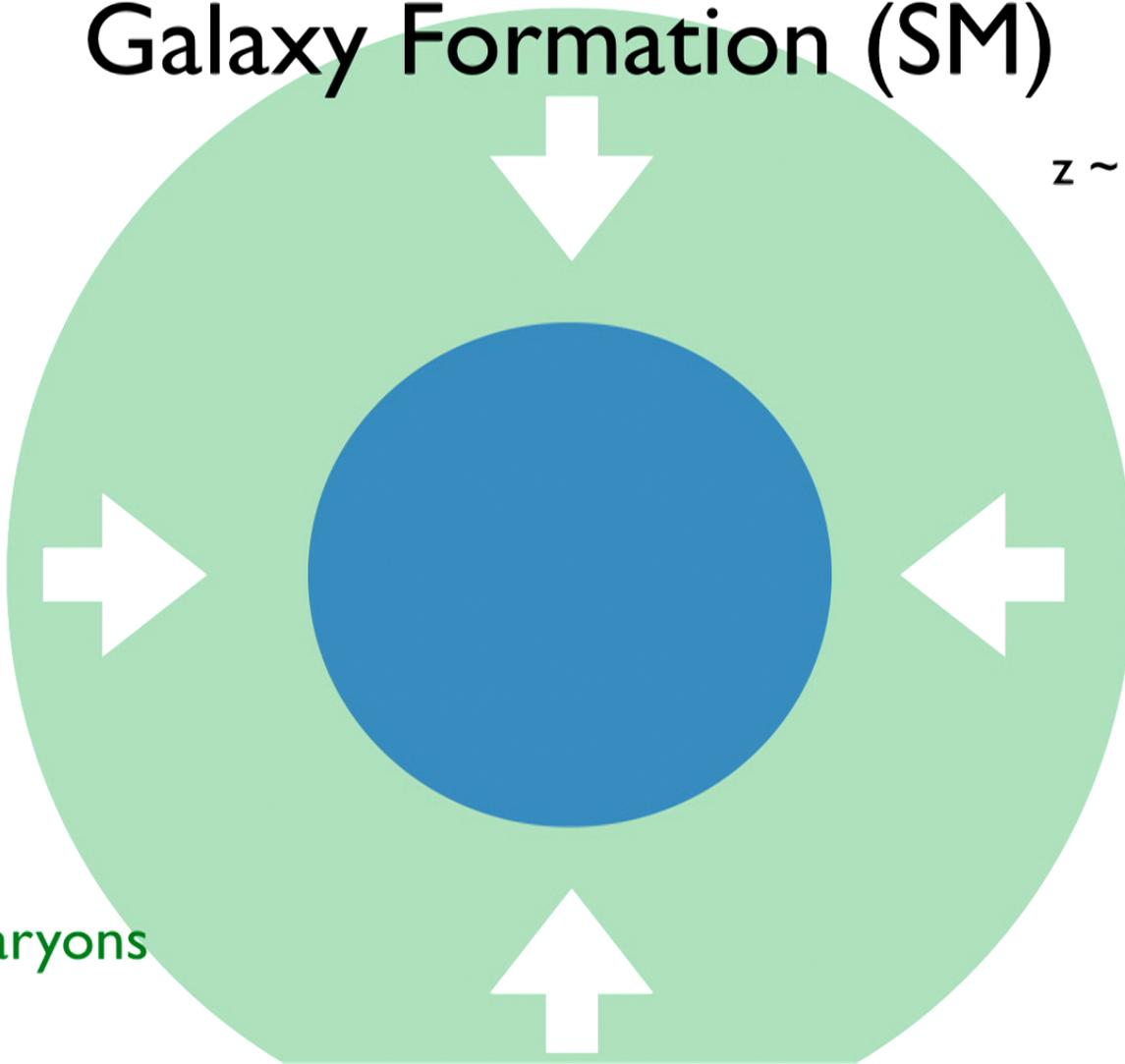
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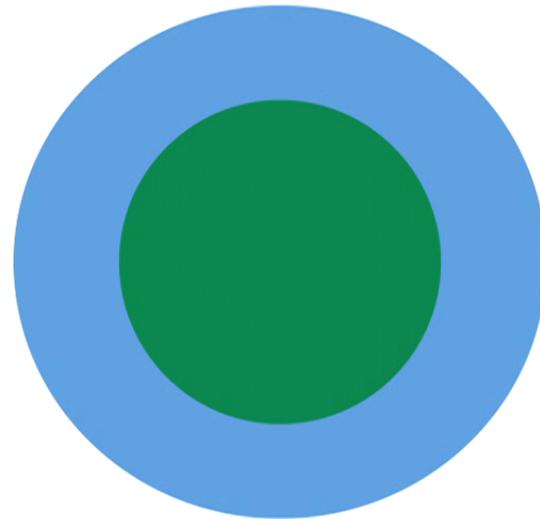
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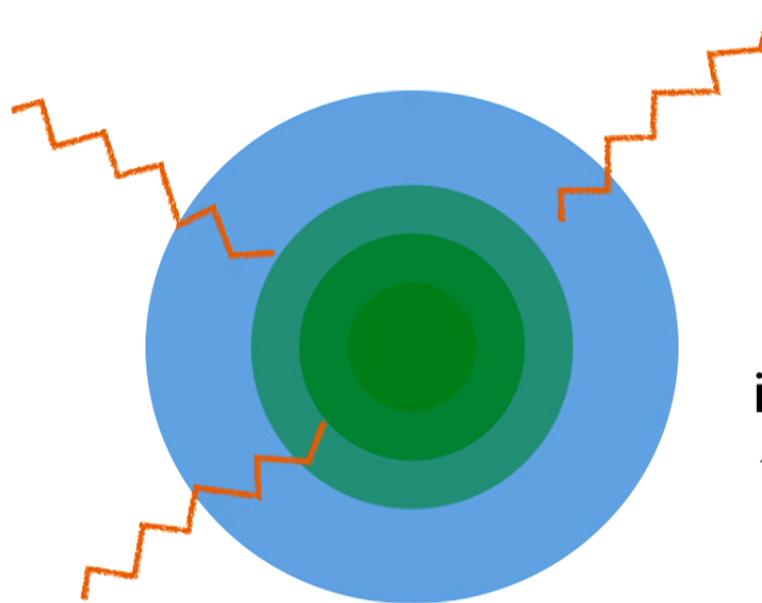
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# Galaxy Formation (SM)

SM baryons  
settle into  
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and start  
COOLING

$z \sim O(10)$



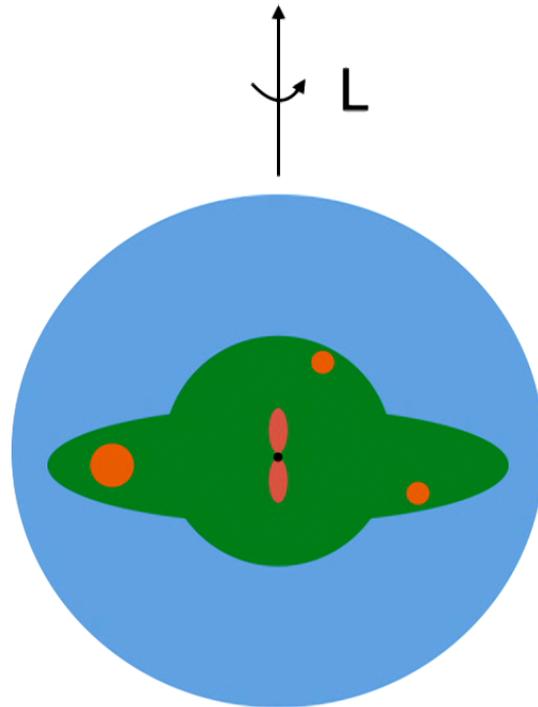
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if cooling faster  
than dynamical  
timescale, lose  
pressure  
support and  
collapse

# Galaxy Formation (SM)

If halo has sufficient angular momentum and is not disrupted, can form a **disk**



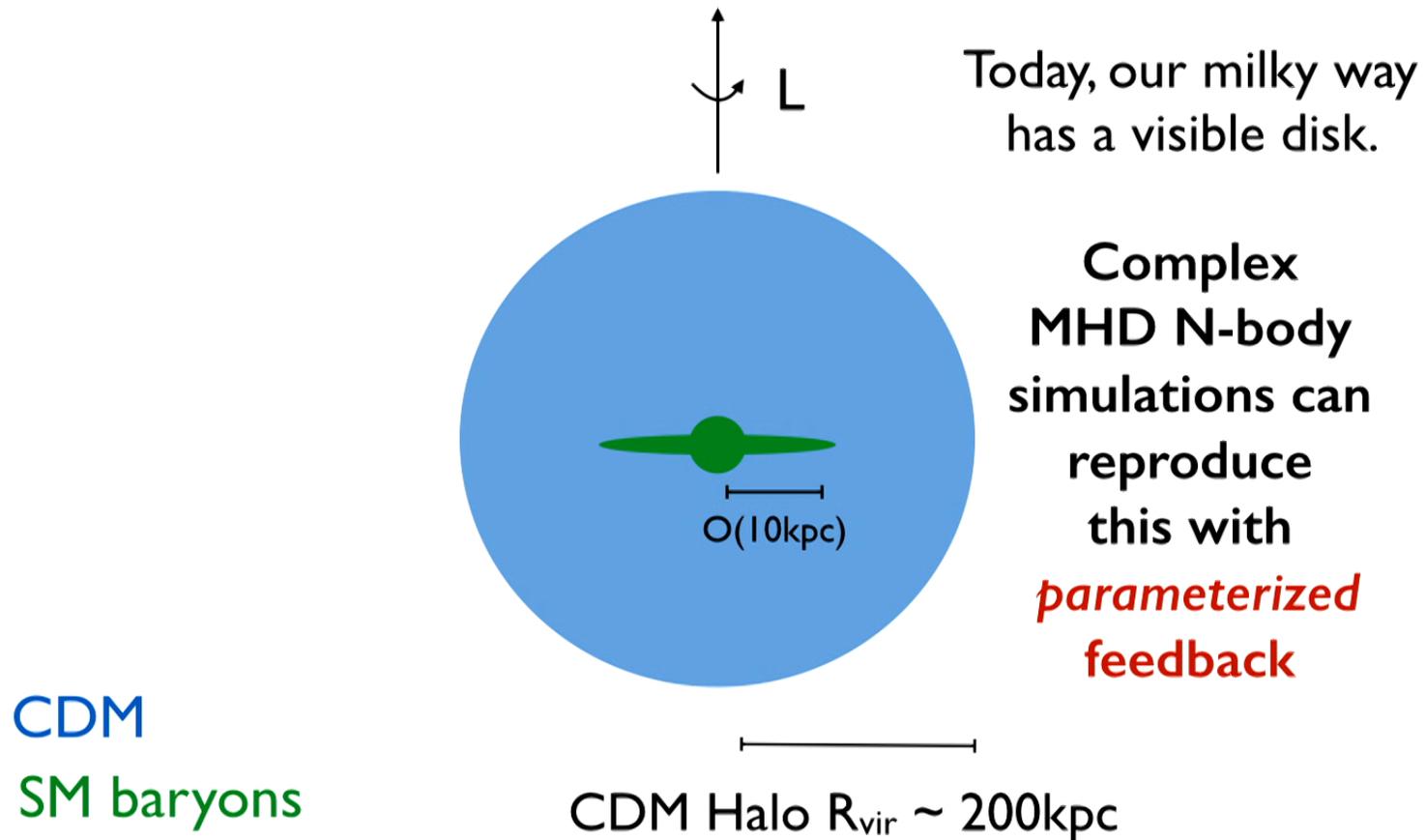
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**Feedback** from star formation, **Supernovae** and **central black hole** drastically slows cooling, moves around material, etc

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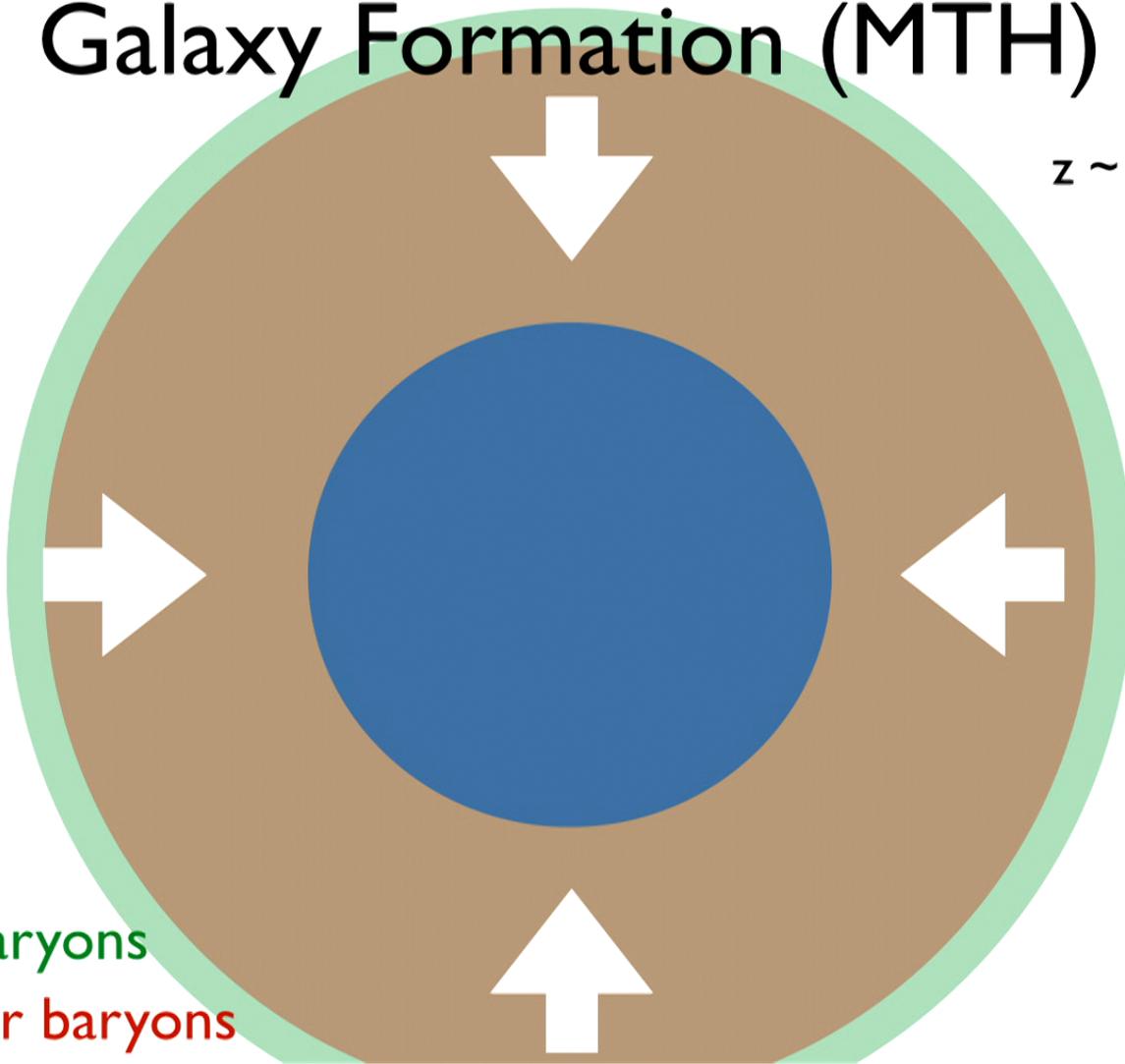
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# Galaxy Formation (MTH)

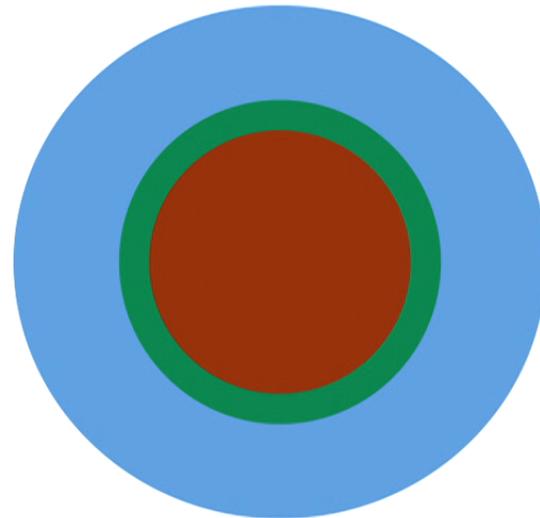
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CDM  
SM baryons  
mirror baryons



# Galaxy Formation (MTH)

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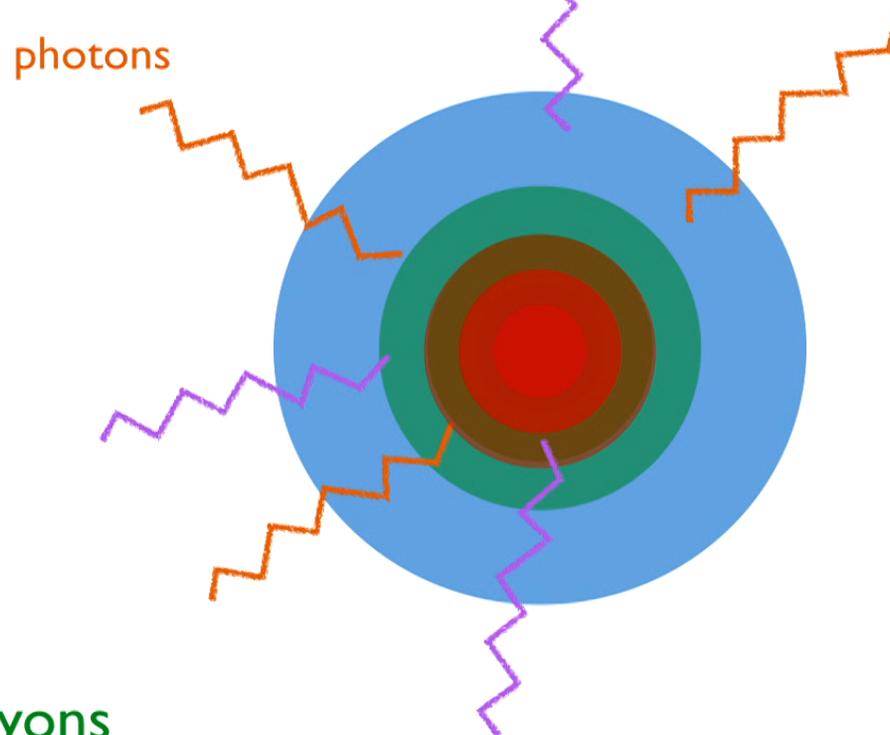
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# Hydrostatic Equilibrium

Assume CDM Background (NFW or Burkert Profile).

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{GM_{\text{CDM}}(r)\rho(r)}{r^2}$$

HS EQ

$$\bar{m}P(r) = \rho(r)T(r)$$

ideal gas law

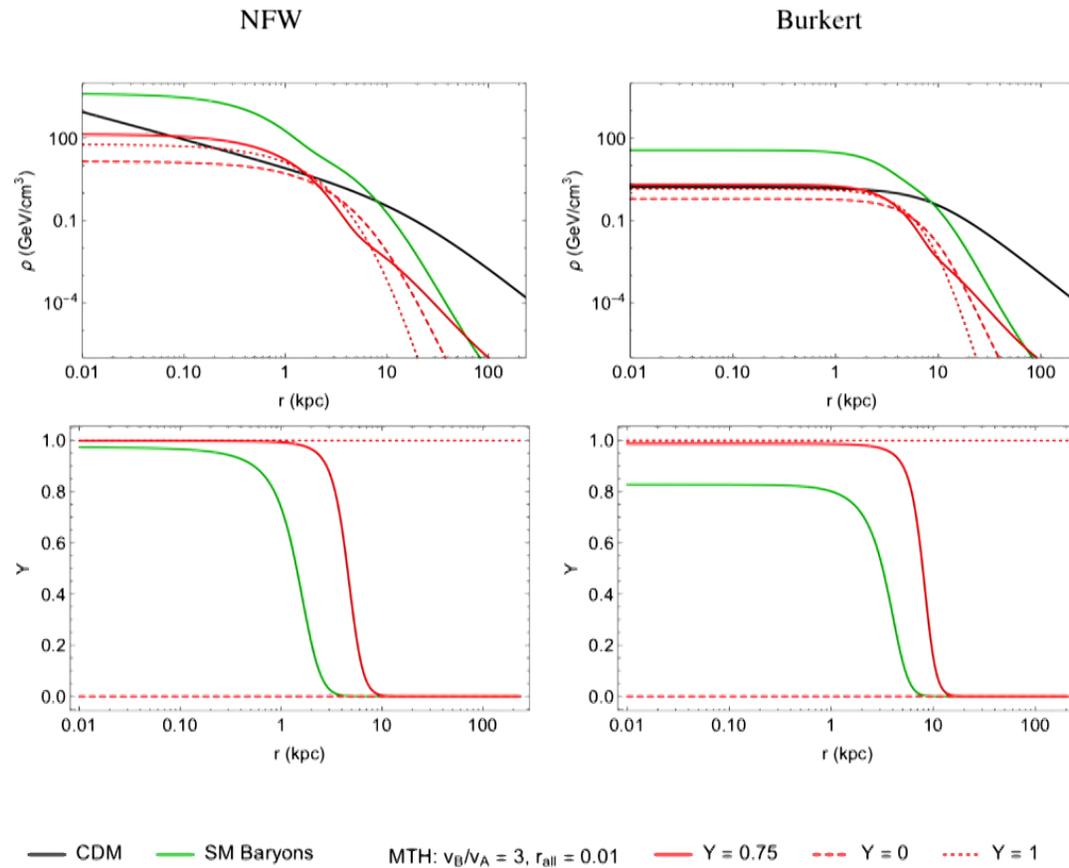
CDM halo sets  $T_{\text{gal}} = T_{\text{vir}}$ .

Assuming given ionization to set  $\bar{m}$  (solve iteratively for consistent solution) we can solve for numerically for **isothermal** mirror baryon profiles.

Do same for SM baryons.

What can we learn from the **comparison?**

# Mirror & SM Baryon Profiles



# Mirror & SM Baryon Profiles

Scenario (NFW)	$\frac{T}{\text{eV}}$	$\frac{v_0}{\text{km/s}}$	$(\chi_{\text{H}^+}, \chi_{\text{He}^+}, \chi_{\text{He}^{++}})$	$\frac{\rho_{\text{CDM}}}{\text{GeV/cm}^3}$	$\frac{\rho_{\text{mirror}}}{\text{GeV/cm}^3}$	$\frac{1}{r_{\text{all}}} \frac{\rho_{\text{mirror}}}{\rho_{\text{CDM}}}$	$Y(R_{\text{sun}})$
SM Baryons	76.7	190.6	$(1, 7 \times 10^{-7}, 1)$	0.5	0.51	5.05	$3 \times 10^{-6}$
$\frac{v_B}{v_A} = 3, r_{\text{all}} = 0.01, Y = 0.75$	152.2	190.6	$(1, 2 \times 10^{-6}, 1)$	0.5	0.0075	1.5	$2 \times 10^{-2}$
$\frac{v_B}{v_A} = 3, r_{\text{all}} = 0.01, Y = 0$	80.8	190.6	$(1, -, -)$	0.5	0.024	4.7	0
$\frac{v_B}{v_A} = 3, r_{\text{all}} = 0.01, Y = 1$	215.3	190.6	$(-, 8 \times 10^{-7}, 1)$	0.5	0.0040	0.79	1

Scenario (Burkert)	$\frac{T}{\text{eV}}$	$\frac{v_0}{\text{km/s}}$	$(\chi_{\text{H}^+}, \chi_{\text{He}^+}, \chi_{\text{He}^{++}})$	$\frac{\rho_{\text{CDM}}}{\text{GeV/cm}^3}$	$\frac{\rho_{\text{mirror}}}{\text{GeV/cm}^3}$	$\frac{1}{r_{\text{all}}} \frac{\rho_{\text{mirror}}}{\rho_{\text{CDM}}}$	$Y(R_{\text{sun}})$
SM Baryons	68.6	180.3	$(1, 9 \times 10^{-7}, 1)$	0.5	0.59	5.9	$4 \times 10^{-3}$
$\frac{v_B}{v_A} = 3, r_{\text{all}} = 0.01, Y = 0.75$	136.2	180.3	$(1, 2 \times 10^{-6}, 1)$	0.5	0.011	2.2	$5 \times 10^{-1}$
$\frac{v_B}{v_A} = 3, r_{\text{all}} = 0.01, Y = 0$	72.3	180.3	$(1, -, -)$	0.5	0.037	7.5	0
$\frac{v_B}{v_A} = 3, r_{\text{all}} = 0.01, Y = 1$	192.7	180.3	$(-, 1 \times 10^{-6}, 1)$	0.5	0.021	4.2	1

at  $R = R_{\text{sun}} = 8\text{kpc}$

# Cooling Processes

A variety of cooling processes are active in the mirror (& SM) plasma.

Most important: bremsstrahlung cooling

$$\hat{e}\hat{X}_i \rightarrow \hat{e}\hat{X}_i\hat{\gamma}, \text{ where } \hat{X}_i = (\hat{H}^+, \hat{He}^+, \hat{He}^{++}).$$

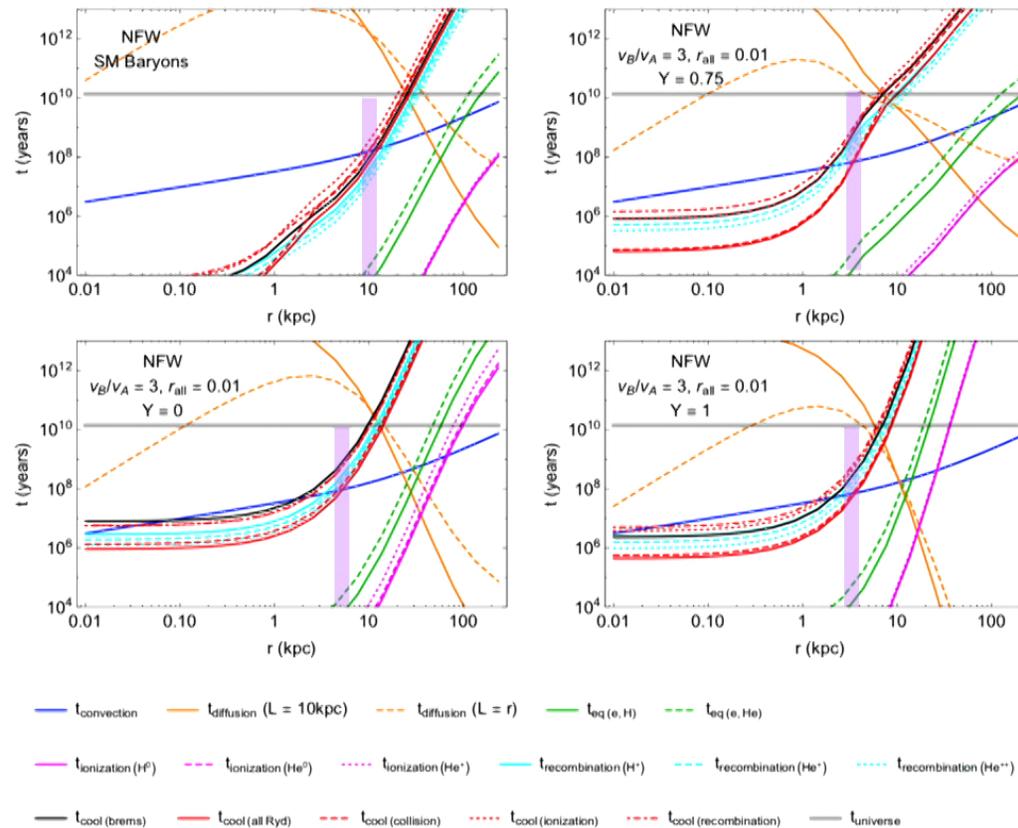
and collisional excitation

$$\hat{e}^- + \hat{X}_i \rightarrow \hat{e}^- + \hat{X}_i^* \rightarrow \hat{e}^- + \hat{X}_i + \hat{\gamma}$$

Can get cross sections and rates by rescaling SM quantities by larger mirror electron mass.

Lots of helpful dissipative DM xsecs: Rosenberg, Fan 1705.10341

# Timescales



mirror/SM baryons lose pressure support if  $t_{\text{cool}} \sim t_{\text{dyn}}$

# What can we learn?

Mirror sector  $t_{\text{cool}} \sim 1/r_{\text{all}}$

For  $r_{\text{all}} \sim \%$  or less, mirror sector baryons cool  
**LESS EFFICIENTLY** than visible sector baryons.

If  $r_{\text{all}} > 10^{-6}$ , \*maybe\* mirror baryons form a dark disk?

(for such low abundances, mirror helium formation might not be efficient, so  $Y$  could be lower than 0.75)

If so, mirror disk might be a bit smaller than visible disk?  
(mirror halo loses pressure support at smaller  $r$ )

If there was no nuclear physics in our mirror sector, we could try and solve for final distribution after cooling.

However, because we have nuclear physics, there will be **mirror stars** and hence **feedback**.

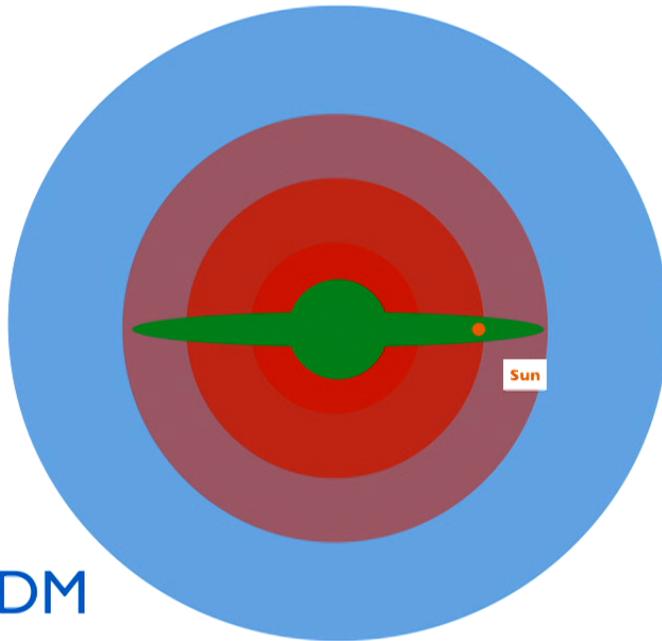
Qualitatively similar to SM but **very different in its details (which are ~ unknowable!)**

Simulations hardly make contact with “microphysics” on stellar astrophysics level, let alone fundamental physics.

**No fundamental understanding of feedback  $\longleftrightarrow$  cannot predict mirror baryon distribution in detail for  $r_{\text{all}} \sim \%$**

# Today?

Local Mirror Baryon Distribution could be ***halo-like***



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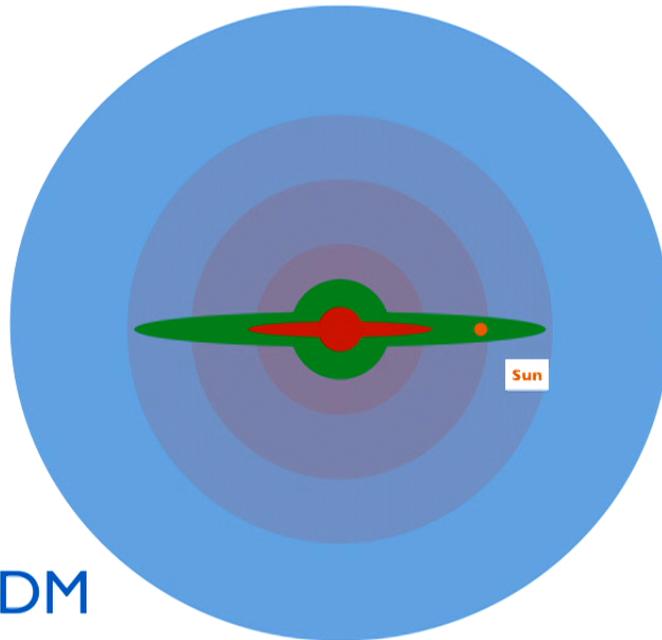
SM baryons

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If there is no collapse due to **slow cooling** or **strong feedback**..

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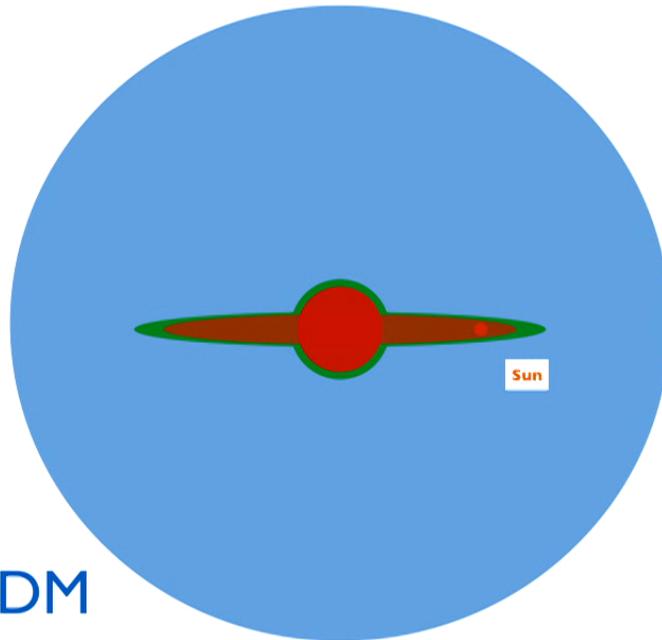
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If mirror disk radius is  $< R_{\text{sun}}$  and mirror baryons in “outskirts” are still arranged in halo distribution (could be similar in SM)

Either way, we can assume a local CDM-like distribution with  $v_0 \sim 220\text{km/s}$  as an optimistic scenario for direct detection

# Today?

Local Mirror Baryon Distribution could be **disk-like**



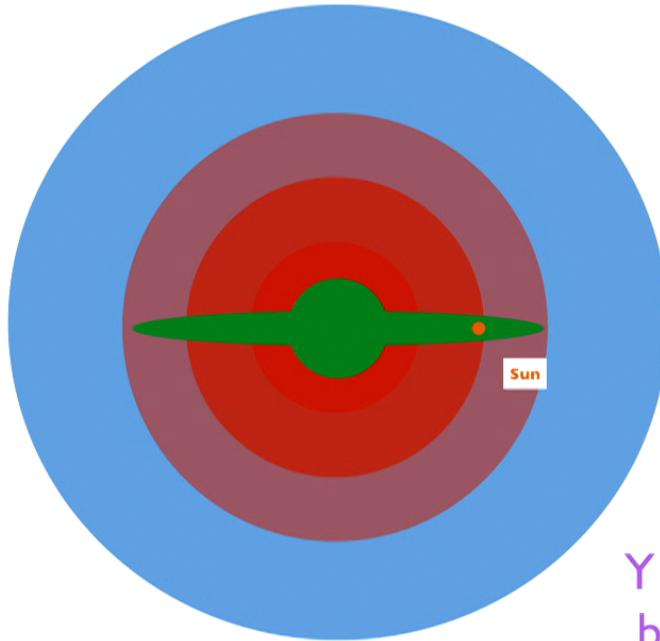
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In that case, a pessimistic assumption for direct detection is  $v_0 \sim$  local stellar velocity dispersion  $\sim 20\text{km/s}$ ,

and only relative velocity of earth comes from motion around sun  $\sim 30\text{km/s}$

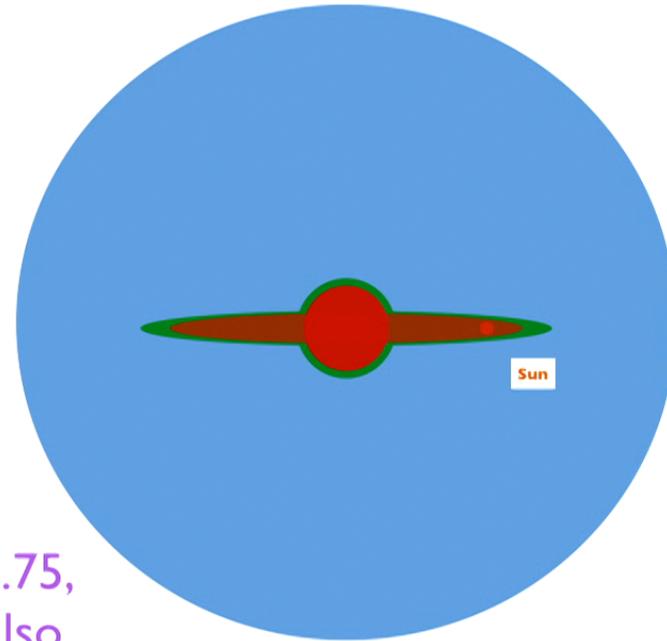


$v_0 \sim 220 \text{ km/s}$   
 $v_e = 233 \text{ km/s}$

Probably ionized,  
 but also consider neutral

Local mirror DM fraction distinct from cosmic average  $r_{\text{all}}$ ,  
 but probably within same order of magnitude.

$Y = 0.75$ ,  
 but also  
 pure H &  
 pure He



$v_0 \sim 20 \text{ km/s}$   
 $v_e = 30 \text{ km/s}$

Could be ionized  
 or neutral

Asymmetrically Reheated MTH:

# Mirror Baryon DM Direct Detection

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# Direct Detection

## Higgs Portal:

- guaranteed to be there in MTH model
- too small for direct detection rate above neutrino floor

## Photon Portal

- generically expected to be generated at loop level by MTH UV completion

$$\frac{\epsilon}{2\cos\theta_W} B_{\mu\nu} B'^{\mu\nu}$$

- $\epsilon \lesssim 10^{-9}$  to avoid mirror and visible sector equilibrating after dilution → **nano-charged GeV-scale DM**
- in the MTH model, accidental symmetries prevent  $\epsilon$  from being generated at 3-loop order, so could be right size naturally

# Nuclear Recoil

Massless dark photon mediator: collisions have lower recoil than equivalent collision via contact term

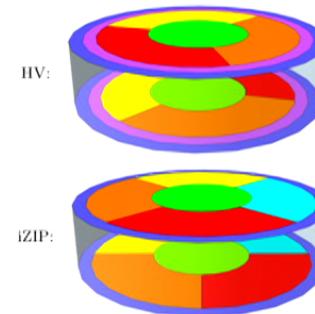
$$\frac{d\sigma_p}{dE_r} = \frac{2\pi\alpha_{em}^2\epsilon^2 Q_X^2}{m_p v_X^2 E_r^2} \cdot \quad E_r^{max} = \frac{2m_p m_X^2 v_X^2}{(m_p + m_X)^2}$$

To detect nano-charged GeV-scale DM, need very low nuclear recoil thresholds  $< \sim 0.1$  keV.

⇒ **SuperCDMS SNOLAB**

Detector	$7\sigma_{Ph}$		$e\Delta V$ Analysis threshold (eV)	
	(eV)	(eV)	$E_{Ph}$	$E_{nr}$
Si HV	35	100	100	78
Ge HV	70	100	100	40
Si iZIP	175	8	175	166
Ge iZIP	350	6	350	272

	iZIP		HV	
	Ge	Si	Ge	Si
Number of detectors	10	2	8	4
Total exposure (kg-yr)	56	4.8	44	9.6
Phonon resolution (eV)	50	25	10	5
Ionization resolution (eV)	100	110	-	-
Voltage Bias (V)	6	8	100	100



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# Electron Recoil

Very different kinematics since SM electron is *bound* in the atom and is the lightest and fastest particle in the collision. Details depend on complicated form factors.

$$\Delta E_e = \vec{q} \cdot \vec{v}_X - \frac{q^2}{2\mu_{XN}} \quad v_e \sim 1/\alpha_{em} > v_{DM} \quad q_{\text{typ}} \sim \mu_{Xe} v_{\text{rel}} \sim m_e v_e \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{few} - 10 \text{ keV})$$

Mirror H, He :  $E_e \sim \text{few eV}$ .

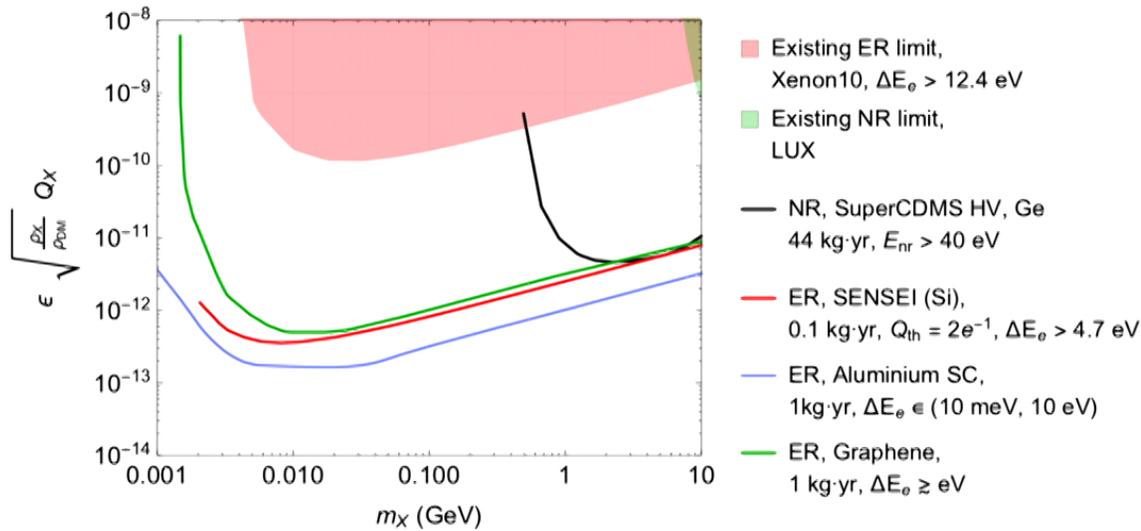
Mirror e:  $E_e \sim 0.1 \text{ eV}$

How to detect such small recoils?

- **ionization in noble gases**: **Xenon10**. threshold **12.4 eV**
- **ionization in semiconductors**: **SENSEI** (Si)  $Q_{\text{th}} = 2$ .  $E_e > 4.7 \text{ eV}$
- **Superconductors**: disrupt cooper pairs, create quasi-particle excitations.  $E_e > \sim 10^{-3} \text{ eV!}$  (more futuristic)

# Comparison

For comparison, here are sensitivities to standard CDM with single particle X with  $v_0 = 220$  km/s. (NOT MTH)



NR is comparable in GeV range but ER is only choice at MeV

# Mirror Baryons: Now

Consider our halo- and disk-like benchmark distributions.

Consider  $Y = 0.75$  MTH prediction but also  $Y = 0, 1$ .

Consider both ionized and not ionized.

## **Xenon 10 supplies current constraints:**

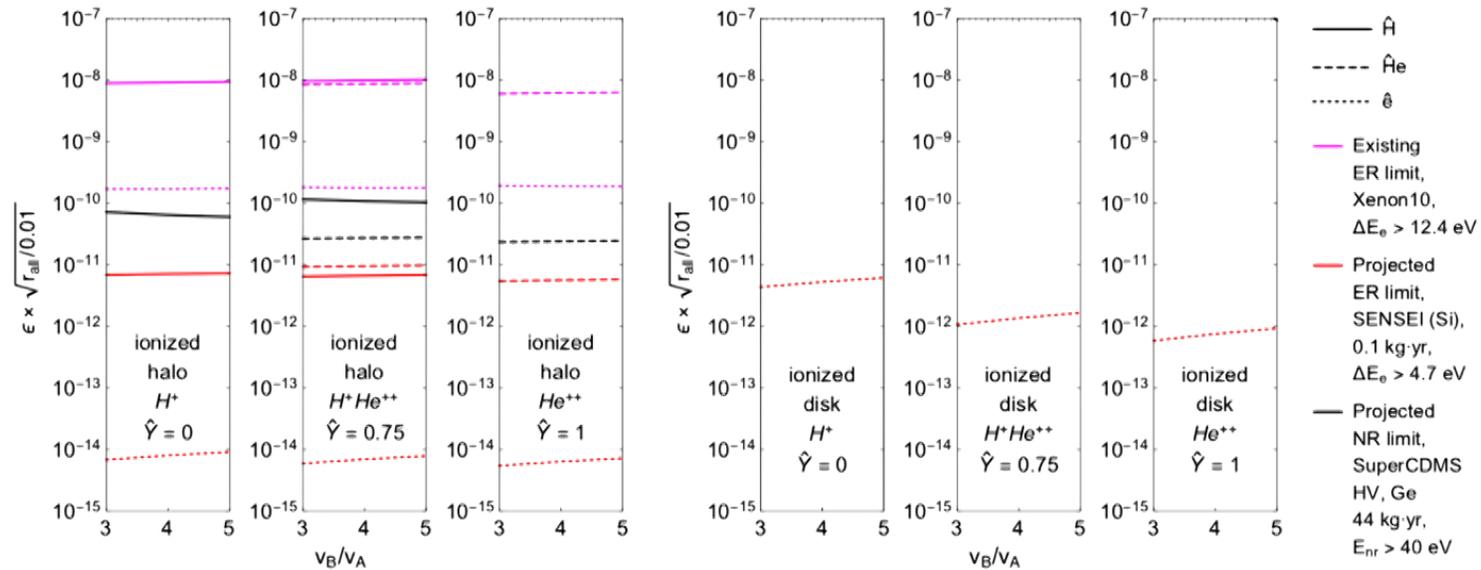
assuming local  $r_{\text{all}} \sim \%$ :

	ionized halo	ionized disk	atomic halo	atomic disk
ER $\tilde{H}, \tilde{\text{He}}$	$\epsilon \sim 10^{-8}$	no signal	AFF: $\epsilon \sim 10^{-7}$	no signal
ER $\tilde{e}$	$\epsilon \sim 10^{-10}$	no signal	no signal	no signal

nano-charged regime is barely probed.

# Mirror Baryons: Future

SuperCDMS is taking data, SENSEI is approved.



**\*Any\* ionization: fast mirror electrons provide excellent discovery channel!**

Non-ionized case: NR unchanged, ER only on mirror H, He with  $\sim 1/10$  sensitivity due to form factors.

# Probing the mirror baryon distribution

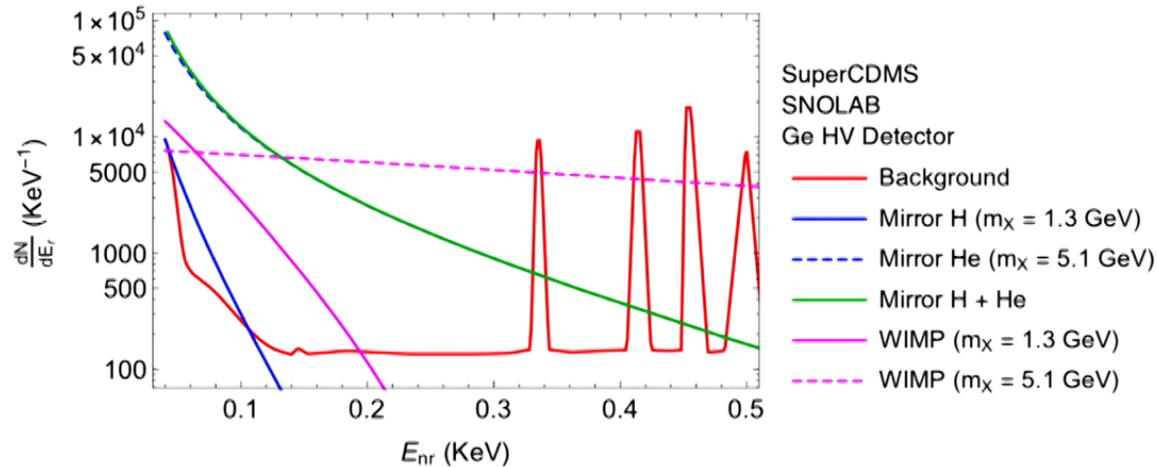
Each mirror baryon distribution gives unique correlated signals in different detectors.

For  $r_{\text{all}} \sim \%$ :

	ionized halo	ionized disk	atomic halo	atomic disk
NR $\hat{H}, \hat{He}$	$\epsilon \sim 10^{-11}$	RR: no signal	$\epsilon \sim 10^{-11}$	RR: no signal
ER $\hat{H}, \hat{He}$	$\epsilon \sim 10^{-11}$	RR: SC only?	AFF: $\epsilon \sim 10^{-10}$	RR and AFF: SC only?
ER $\hat{e}$	$\epsilon \sim 10^{-14}$	$\epsilon \sim 10^{-12}$	no signal	no signal

*RR = reduced recoil. AFF = atomic form factor*

# Probing hidden sector composition



**Figure 7.** Recoil spectrum in the SuperCDMS SNOLAB Ge HV detector assuming ionized halo dark matter distribution. For mirror H and He, assume  $r_{\text{all}} = 0.01$ ,  $v_B/v_A = 4$ ,  $\rho_{\text{He}}/\rho_{\text{H}} = 0.75$ , and  $\epsilon = 3 \times 10^{-10}$ . For WIMP with  $m_X = 1.3(5.1) \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\sigma_{n,X} = 0.6(1.1) \times 10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2$ .

Detailed analysis of recoils will probe multi-component nature of this hidden sector

# More probes of the hidden sector

# More things

What about the rest of the DM?

(DC, Shayne Gryba)

What do mirror stars look like, and could we see them?

(DC, Jack Setford)

What does modern lattice data teach us about mirror nuclear physics?

Aside: consequences for anthropics?

(DC, Josh Rudermann, Jack Setford, ... )

**Concrete example of complicated but highly motivated hidden sector lets us ask very detailed questions and think of new searches!**

# Conclusions

Hidden sectors are motivated from bottom-up and top-down.

Collider (LLP) vs Cosmology (stable)

Top-down formulations give complicated *predictive* hidden sectors with rich cosmo + astro that you can interrogate in detail.

Asymmetrically reheated MTH:

- solves the little hierarchy problem
- if no LLP signatures, can still measure  $\text{Br}(h \rightarrow \text{invis}) \sim v_B/v_A$
- this parameter is correlated with many cosmo+astro observables ( $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$ , LSS deviations, direct detection, ...???) that could provide smoking gun of these hidden sectors.