The WIMP Forest

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Direct Detection



Colliders **LHC** *Alive!* (?)

Seeing the Light... from Dark Matter

- One way to (indirectly) detect Dark Matter is via annihilations into photons.
 - Searches performed with Fermi/GLAST and/or ground-based ACT's.
 - Advantage of γ's → travel in straight lines w/o much energy loss... identify sources and/or trace dark matter distribution?
- Expected spectrum of γ 's from DM annihilation has two main components:
 - "Secondary" γ 's from annihilation into charged SM particles which then radiate γ 's OR hadronize and decay into γ 's ($\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$).

The result is a CONTINUUM of γ 's.

• "Primary" γ 's from LOOP-LEVEL annihilations into final states involving γ 's (DM + DM $\rightarrow \gamma$ + X).

The result is (are) mono-energetic line(s) super-imposed onto continuum.

- Generally, lines are expected to be small (loop-suppressed) compared to the continuum.
- However, if observable, lines provide a nice discriminant against astrophysical backgrounds.

The WIMP Forest

- What if the nature of DM is such that continuum emission is suppressed while production of "direct" photons is via "large-ish" couplings?
 - The former can occur if DM annihilates mainly into "photon-unfriendly" states (such as Z's or Higgs)
 - The latter can occur, for example, in models where the WIMP is related to the SM hypercharge gauge boson.
- The position/strength of lines can provide a wealth of information about DM.



• If there are other particles in the "dark sector" with masses appreciable to the WIMP mass (but $\leq 2m_{DM}$), you could possibly observe a SERIES of LINES... i.e., a WIMP FOREST!!!

Case Study: The Chiral Square

- Model of Universal Extra Dimensions (UEDs) with TWO extra dimensions (Dobrescu & Ponton, JHEP 0403 (2004) 071)
- Identify adjacent sides of square:

$$(y,0) \equiv (0,y)$$
 $(y,L) \equiv (L,y)$

• Kaluza-Klein (KK) modes identified by TWO indices (j,k)

$$k \ge 0$$
 , $j \ge 1 - \delta_{k,0}$

• Mass eigenvalues:

$$M_{(j,k)}^2 = M_0^2 + \pi^2 \frac{j^2 + k^2}{L^2},$$

• <u>Important for us</u>: the lightest (non-SM) modes are the (1,0) modes, while the next-to-lightest modes are the (1,1) with masses $\approx \sqrt{2}$ times heavier!

(Compare to 5-d model where level-2 modes are TWICE as heavy)



The WIMP Candidate

(Dobrescu et al., JCAP 0710:012,2007)

• Residual spacetime symmetry \rightarrow lightest KK particle (LKP) is stable (j + k = odd (even) \rightarrow state is odd (even) under symmetry)

- LKP expected to be SCALAR partner of the hypercharge gauge boson (a.k.a. "spinless photon") $B^{(1,0)}\equiv B_{\rm H}$
- Scalar LKP = suppressed annihilation to fermions... annihilates mainly into W's, Z's and Higgs.
- \bullet Thermal relic abundance very sensitive to $B_{\rm H}$ mass... as well as Higgs mass...



• WMAP constraints:

 $200 \text{ GeV} \lesssim M_B \lesssim 500 \text{ GeV}$



Gamma Ray Continuum

- In general, continuum consists of two components:
 - quark fragmentation/decay ($\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$): featureless, SOFT spectrum
 - final-state radiation: harder component of the form...

$$\frac{dN_{X\bar{X}}}{dx} \approx \frac{\alpha Q_X^2}{\pi} \mathcal{F}_X(x) \log\left(\frac{s(1-x)}{m_X^2}\right) \qquad \longleftrightarrow \qquad \qquad \mathcal{F}_{\text{fermion}}(x) = \frac{1+(1-x)^2}{x} \\ \mathcal{F}_{\text{boson}}(x) = \frac{1-x}{x}$$

- Scalar nature of LKP suppresses continuum...
- Annihilation into
 "photon-unfriendly" states
 (ZZ + HH) 50% of the time.
- Continuum spectrum reminiscent of neutralino



Calculation of the "Lines"

• Annihilation to γ + V final states proceed via box diagrams:



where V = γ , Z or B^(1,1) mode.

• In general, the amplitude takes the form:

$$\mathcal{M} = \epsilon_A^{\mu*}(p_A)\epsilon_B^{\nu*}(p_B)\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2, p_A, p_B) \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu} = A_1 g^{\mu\nu} + B_1 p_1^{\mu} p_1^{\nu} + B_2 p_2^{\mu} p_2^{\nu} + B_3 p_1^{\mu} p_2^{\nu} \\ + B_4 p_1^{\nu} p_2^{\mu} + B_5 p_A^{\nu} p_B^{\mu} + B_6 p_1^{\mu} p_A^{\nu} + B_7 p_1^{\nu} p_B^{\mu} \\ + B_8 p_2^{\mu} p_A^{\nu} + B_9 p_2^{\nu} p_B^{\mu}.$$

- Use the fact that WIMPs are non-relativistic (NR): $p_1 \approx p_2 \approx p \equiv (M_B, \mathbf{0})...$ and other tricks... A_1 is the dominant contribution.
- "NR-ness" of WIMPs causes problems when computing the loops... specifically the Passarino-Veltman (PV) TENSOR coefficients.
- <u>Reason</u>: PV coefficients depend INVERSELY on Gram Determinant (GD):

$$GD = det(p_i \cdot p_j)$$

Line Cross Sections

• Used technique developed by R. Stuart (Comput. Phys. Commun. 48, 367 (1988))

 $D_{27} = \alpha_{123}C_{24}(123) + \alpha_{124}C_{24}(124)$ $+ \alpha_{134}C_{24}(134) + \alpha_{234}C_{24}(234),$

and α 's are solved for assuming GD exactly vanishes.



Putting it All Together

• The differential flux (@ angle ψ w.r.t. GC) :

 $\frac{d\Phi_{\gamma}}{d\Omega dE}(\psi, E) = \frac{r_{\odot}\rho_{\odot}^2}{4\pi M_{B_H}^2} \frac{dN_{\gamma}}{dE} \int_{\text{l.o.s.}} \frac{ds}{r_{\odot}} \left[\frac{\rho[r(s,\psi)]}{\rho_{\odot}}\right]^2 \longrightarrow \frac{dN_{\gamma}}{dE} = \sum_f \langle \sigma v \rangle_f \frac{dN_{\gamma}^f}{dE},$

• Separate particle physics from astrophysics:

$$J \equiv \int_{1.o.s.} \frac{ds}{r_{\odot}} \left[\frac{\rho[r(s,\psi)]}{\rho_{\odot}} \right]^2 \longrightarrow \bar{J}(\Delta \Omega) = \frac{1}{\Delta \Omega} \int_{\Delta \Omega} J(\psi) \, d\Omega.$$

• Consider two profiles: Navarro-Frenk-White (NFW) and "Adiabatic"

Model	$\overline{J}(10^{-5})$
NFW	1.5×10^{4}
Adiabatic	4.7×10^{7}

- Good news: signals like the ones considered here will "trace" DM distribution!
- To account for detector resolutions, convolve "signal" with Gaussian:

$$S_M(E_0) = \int dE \, G(E, E_0) \, S(E). \longrightarrow \quad G(E, E_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}E_0\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{(E - E_0)^2}{2\sigma^2 E_0^2}\right]$$

Setting the Stage



Results for the Chiral Square

- "WIMP Forest" characterized by 3 lines (and suppression of continuum)
- $\gamma\gamma$ line (@ E_{γ} = M_B), $Z\gamma$ (very close to M_B) and $B^{(1,1)}\gamma$ line
- Detector resolution ($\Delta E/E = 10\%$) effects smear $\gamma\gamma$ and $Z\gamma$ lines into one "bump"
- Distinctive feature of the Chiral Square model is the $B^{(1,1)}\gamma$ line!
- Since $B^{(1,1)}$ mass is comparable to WIMP mass...

$$E_{\gamma} = m_{DM} \left(1 - \frac{M_X^2}{4m_{DM}^2} \right)$$

is well-separated from $\gamma\gamma$ + $Z\gamma$ bump and distinguishable... even after detector resolution effects are accounted for!



Data = HESS point source J1745-290 (foreground for our signal)

Large Boost Factors?



<u>Conclusions</u>

- I can't believe I made it this far in 13 minutes!
- Search for DM via annihilation into photons:
 - Particle physics: information on DM properties(?)
 - Astrophysics: trace out DM distribution!
- <u>WIMP Forest</u>": if there are other particles in the "dark sector" with masses appreciable to the WIMP mass (but ≤ 2m_{DM}), you could possibly observe a SERIES of lines!
- Case study: 6-d UED "Chiral Square"
 - WIMP = scalar ("spinless") photon
 - Relic Density: $200 \text{ GeV} \leq M_B \leq 500 \text{ GeV}$
- Gamma-ray Spectrum:
 - Suppressed continuum spectrum
 - VERY DISTINCTIVE TWO-BUMP FEATURE!