# Direct Detection of momentum-suppressed operators

Connections with Gauge Invariant Simplified Models

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- In Direct Detection one tries to detect DM scattering off some detector on Earth
- Scatterings may deposit  $\mathcal{O}(\mathrm{KeV})$  energy in the detector
- Scattering is well described by EFTs
- Dimension 6: 10 operators. However, we usually consider just 2 cases: SI, and SD
- SI: scattering does not depend on spin, so at low energy the amplitude for each nucleon sums up coherently, leading to large enhancements for heavy nuclei
- SD: scattering depends on spin, so the contributions of all nucleons except the unpaired one (odd A) cancel out
- What about the other operators?



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- Other Operators are q<sub>tr</sub> or v<sub>rel</sub> suppressed
   dσ/d cos θ ∝ v<sup>2n</sup><sub>rel</sub>, q<sup>2n</sup><sub>tr</sub>, n > 0
   q<sub>tr</sub> ∼ v<sub>rel</sub>μ → v<sub>rel</sub> ≪
- $q_{tr} \sim v_{rel} \mu \rightarrow v_{rel} \ll 1, \quad q_{tr} \ll \mu$
- This results in a suppression of a factor  $v_{rel}^{2n} \ll 1$  comparing to the SI and SD, where n = 0

Name	Operator	Interaction
D1	$\bar{\chi}\chi \ \bar{q}q$	SI
D2	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi\ \bar{q}q$	SI, $q^2$
D3	$\bar{\chi}\chi \ \bar{q}\gamma^5 q$	SD, $q^2$
D4	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi\ \bar{q}\gamma^5q$	SD, $q^4$
D5	$\bar{\chi}\gamma_{\mu}\chi \ \bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}q$	SI
D6	$\bar{\chi}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma^{5}\chi \ \bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}q$	SI, $q^2 + v^2$
D7	$\bar{\chi}\gamma_{\mu}\chi\;\bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5}q$	SD, $q^2 + v^2$
D8	$\bar{\chi}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma^{5}\chi \ \bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{5}q$	SD
D9	$\bar{\chi}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\chi\ \bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu}q$	SD
D10	$\bar{\chi}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma^5\chi\;\bar{q}\sigma^{\mu\nu}q$	SI, $q^2 + v^2$

- Those are not the only energy-suppressed interactions
- Inelastic Dark matter: 2 states of similar masses, separated by small mass splitting
- Lighter state  $\chi_1$  builds up the observed DM abundance
- For some reason, elastic scattering  $\chi_1 N \rightarrow \chi_1 N$  not possible
- Instead, it can upscatter to  $\chi_2$ :  $\chi_1 N \rightarrow \chi_2 N$
- This is however possible only if allowed kinematically
- $\delta m < \frac{1}{2}\mu v_{rel}^2$
- Note that  $v_{rel}$  is limited by the galaxy escape speed, so there is a maximum  $\delta m/\mu$  testable on Earth

• If allowed, 
$$\sigma_{inel} \sim \sigma_{el} \sqrt{1 - rac{\delta m}{rac{1}{2} \mu v_{rel}^2}}$$



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- Option 1: Increase the Energy!
- $v_{rel} \sim 10^{-3}$  on Earth
- $v_{rel} \sim few \times 10^{-3}$  in the Sun
- $v_{rel} \sim 1$  on Neutron Stars!
- In [1704.01577] is suggested how to use convert lower limits on observed NS to upper limits on DM-matter interactions
- In [1707.09442] follows up in the idea for q<sup>2</sup> and q<sup>4</sup> operators
- In [1807.02840] we study elastic and inelastic EFT operators limits arising from neutron star temperatures



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- Option 2: Check if corrections, expected to be sub-leading, are instead dominant
- To compare with LHC results, LHC operators usually associated to Simplified Models, where additional particlea appear
- q<sup>4</sup> suppressed operator is usually associated with the model where a PS mediators mediates interactions between the Dark and Visible sectors
- However such simple model is not suitable to be used for such comparison
- The Minimal UV completion embeds the PS mediators in a 2HDM+P model, as described in [1701.07427] [1404.3716]
- Such model is Gauge Invariant, and once calculating the loop corrections, it generated not only the  $q^4$  operator at tree level, but also the standard SI operator

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- DM loses energy during capture
- Remaining energy lost during thermalization
- $\approx$  the whole kinetic energy is transferred to the NS
- Inelastic DM: maximum mass splitting depends on target
- NS allows much larger  $\delta m$  than on earth
- At high DM mass,  $\delta m < 330 MeV$



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For the Scalar, the Lagrangian is

$$\begin{split} V_{2HDM} &= M_{11}^2 \Phi_1^{\dagger} \Phi_1 + M_{22}^2 \Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_2 + (M_{12}^2 \Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_1 + h.c.) \\ &+ \frac{\lambda_1}{2} (\Phi_1^{\dagger} \Phi_1)^2 + \frac{\lambda_2}{2} (\Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_2)^2 + \lambda_3 (\Phi_1^{\dagger} \Phi_1) (\Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_2) \\ &+ \lambda_4 (\Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_1) (\Phi_1^{\dagger} \Phi_2) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \lambda_5 (\Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_1)^2 + h.c. \right), \\ V_S &= \frac{1}{2} M_{SS}^2 S^2 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_S S^4 \\ V_{12S} &= \frac{\lambda_{11S}}{2} (\Phi_1^{\dagger} \Phi_1) S^2 + \frac{\lambda_{22S}}{2} (\Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_2) S^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_{12S} \Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_1 S^2 + h.c.) \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{DM}} &= -y_\chi S \bar{\chi} \chi. \end{split}$$

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## The Models Scalar and PseudoScalar Gauge-Invariant Extensions

The fields are

$$\Phi_h = \cos\beta\Phi_1 + \sin\beta\Phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} G^+ \\ \frac{v+h+iG^0}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix},$$
  
$$\Phi_H = -\sin\beta\Phi_1 + \cos\beta\Phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} H^+ \\ \frac{H+iA}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$H = \cos\theta S_1 - \sin\theta S_2,$$
  

$$S = v_S + \sin\theta S_1 + \cos\theta S_2,$$

and the resulting mixing is

$$\sin 2\theta = \frac{2\hat{\lambda}_{hHs}vv_S}{M_{S_1}^2 - M_{S_2}^2}.$$

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## The Models Scalar and PseudoScalar Gauge-Invariant Extensions

For the PseudoScalar, the Lagrangian is similar, the only difference being

$$\begin{split} V_{12P} &= \lambda_{P_1} (\Phi_1^{\dagger} \Phi_1) P^2 + \lambda_{P_2} (\Phi_2^{\dagger} \Phi_2) P^2 + i \mu_P (\Phi_1^{\dagger} \Phi_2 + h.c.) P \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{DM}} &= -y_{\chi} S \bar{\chi} \gamma_5 \chi. \end{split}$$

and the definition of the fields, where A in the doublet gets relabeled  $\eta,$  and

$$\eta = \cos \theta A - \sin \theta a,$$
  
$$P = \sin \theta A + \cos \theta a,$$

and the mixing angle is

$$\sin 2\theta = \frac{2vb_P}{M_a^2 - M_A^2}.$$

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An example where one obtains (only) inelastic interactions is Pseudo-Dirac DM:

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi}(i\partial \!\!\!/ - M_D)\Psi - \frac{m_L}{2} \left(\overline{\Psi^c} P_L \Psi + \text{h.c.}\right) - \frac{m_R}{2} \left(\overline{\Psi^c} P_R \Psi + \text{h.c.}\right) + Q_{\Psi} g \bar{\Psi} \gamma^{\mu} \Psi Z'_{\mu} + Q_q g \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q Z'_{\mu}$$

Taking  $m_L = m_R = \frac{1}{2} \delta m$ , the Majorana mass eigenstates become

$$\chi_1 = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \Psi - \Psi^c \right)$$
$$\chi_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \Psi + \Psi^c \right) \,.$$

#### The DM Lagrangian effectively reads

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\chi}_1 (i\partial \!\!\!/ - m_1) \chi_1 + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\chi}_2 (i\partial \!\!\!/ - m_2) \chi_2 + i Q_\Psi g \bar{\chi}_2 \gamma^\mu Z'_\mu \chi_1 + i Q_\Psi g \bar{\chi}_1 \gamma^\mu Z'_\mu + Q_q g \sum_q \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q Z'_\mu \chi_2$$

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SI cross section is generated at 1-loop.  $lim_{M_A \to M_a} \sigma = 0$ , as in the scalar case. The main difference is the loop factor and the  $m_{\chi}$  dependance coming from the loops functions.



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#### DD for the PseudoScalar



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DD for the PseudoScalar: Tree vs Loop Level



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- Neutron Stars: an interesting possibility to place upper bounds on DM cross sections
- EFT good for DD, but validity issues at collider: move towards Simplified Models for collider searches
- Recasting collider results in the DD exclusion plane requires renormalizable models and to check 1-loop effects
- The low energy phenomenology of the 2HDM+P model is dominated by 1-loop processes
- Results hold for any Yukawa sector, even for inhert doublet (no yukawa couplings for second doublet)
- DD constraints comparable with collider ones
- For  $\delta m \gtrsim 100 \,\mathrm{KeV}$ , the 1-loop elastic cross section can dominate DD, and for  $\delta m \lesssim \,\mathrm{GeV}$  one can compare with monojet, and constraints are complementary
- DMWG whitepaper coming out soon

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