Minimal dark matter in SU(5) grand unification

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Introduction

Minimal dark matter

M. Cirelli et al., Nucl.Phys.B (2005) [hep-ph/0512090] Farina et al., JHEP (2013) [arxiv:1303.7244]

Quantum numbers			DM could	DM mass	$m_{\rm DM^{\pm}} - m_{\rm DM}$	$\sigma_{ m SI}$ in
$\mathrm{SU}(2)_L$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_Y$	Spin	decay into	in TeV	in MeV	$10^{-46} {\rm cm}^2$
5	0	1/2	stable	$4.4 \rightarrow 14$	166	1.0 ± 0.2
7	0	0	stable	$8 \rightarrow 25$	166	4 ± 1

• Lagrangian:
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \overline{\chi} \left(i D - M_5 \right) \chi$$
 or $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left(D_\mu \chi \right)^* \left(D^\mu \chi \right) - \frac{1}{2} M_7 \chi^2$

- No other interactions $\Rightarrow \chi^0$ is stabilized (Thermal relic via by $\chi\chi \rightarrow$ gauge bosons, mass $M_5 \sim 14 \text{ TeV}$)
- Sommerfeld enhancement and bound state formation



Motivation

Fermionic MDM can achieve gauge coupling unification?

- Big change of the running at $\mu = M_5$ \Rightarrow need to add colored fields with non-zero Y, but singlet for $SU(2)_L$.
- Assumptions (Requirements)
 - No additional scale other than $\mathcal{O}(10)$ TeV
 - No Landau pole up to Planck scale
 - Extra fields have to be embedded in SU(5).
 ⇒ possible reps. are limited. 5-plet ⊂ 200



MDM in SU(5)

$$200 = (6,3)_{-5/3} + (15,2)_{-5/6} + (3,4)_{-5/6} + (3,2)_{-5/6} + (27,1)_0 + (8,3)_0 + (8,1)_0 + (1,5)_0 + (1,3)_0 + (1,1)_0 + (\overline{6},3)_{5/3} + (\overline{15},2)_{5/6} + (\overline{3},4)_{5/6} + (\overline{3},2)_{5/6}$$

- Only $(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{5})_0$ is light.
- Other states cannot be light.

Otherwise Landau pole for g_2 appears below Planck scale.



Rough estimate at one-loop level (> 10000 pages)

 \blacksquare β functions:

$$\frac{dg_i}{dt} = \frac{b_i g_i^3}{(4\pi)^2} \text{ where } b_1 = \frac{41}{10}, \ b_2 = -\frac{19}{6}, \ b_3 = -7 \text{ in SM}$$

and $\Delta b_2 = \frac{20}{3}$ from 5-plet MDM
Requirement for gauge coupling unification ($q_1 = q_2 = q_3$ and $q_3 = -7$).

Requirement for gauge coupling unification $(g_1 = g_2 = g_3 \text{ at } \mu = M_U)$, $\Rightarrow -2.9 \leq \Delta b_1 - \Delta b_3 \leq -1.6$ (additional contribution)

■ Look for possible states $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{-1/3}, \ (\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{1/3} \subset \mathbf{5}, \overline{\mathbf{5}}, \qquad (\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{-2/3}, \ (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{2/3} \subset \mathbf{10}, \overline{\mathbf{10}}, \\ (\mathbf{6}, \mathbf{1})_{-2/3}, \ (\overline{\mathbf{6}}, \mathbf{1})_{2/3} \subset \mathbf{15}, \overline{\mathbf{15}}, \qquad \cdots$ If two pairs of $(\mathbf{6}, \mathbf{1})_{-2/3}, \ (\overline{\mathbf{6}}, \mathbf{1})_{2/3} = -2.4 \iff \mathsf{added}$ $\Rightarrow \Delta b_1 - \Delta b_3 = -\frac{12}{5} = -2.4 \iff \mathsf{likely to work}$

Two-loop calculation

Gauge coupling unification



Unification scale M_U is close to the reduced Planck scale M_P
 No proton decay, \(\tau_p \ge > 10^{39}\)yrs \(\simes \tau_{exp} = 10^{34}\)yrs

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Gauge coupling unification 2



Define criterion of unification (complete unification if \Delta = 0) \Delta(\mu) \equiv \sqrt{\Delta\alpha_{12}^{-2}(\mu) + \Delta\alpha_{23}^{-2}(\mu)}, \Delta\alpha_{ij} = \alpha_i^{-1} - \alpha_j^{-1}

1.6 TeV \le M_6, \tilde{M}_6 \le 20 TeV

Mass splitting

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{M_{200}}{2} \mathbf{200}_F \mathbf{200}_F + \frac{Y_{200}}{2} \mathbf{24}_H \mathbf{200}_F \mathbf{200}_F$$
5-plet:

$$M_{200} - Y_{200} \langle \mathbf{24}_H \rangle = 14 \text{ TeV}$$

Other states:

$$M_{200} - C_i Y_{200} \langle \mathbf{24}_H \rangle \sim M_U$$

Same for $(15, \overline{15})$ pairs.

Dimopoulos-Wilczek mech. \rightarrow no fine-tuning? $(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{5})_0 \subset \mathbf{2640}$ in SO(10)

	C_i		
24_{H}	200_F	200_F	
$(1,1)_0$	$({f 6},{f 3})_{-5/3}$	$(\overline{f 6},{f 3})_{5/3}$	1/6
$(1,1)_0$	$({f 15},{f 2})_{-5/6}$	$(\overline{f 15},{f 2})_{5/6}$	1/4
$(1,1)_0$	$({f 3},{f 4})_{-5/6}$	$(\overline{f 3},{f 4})_{5/6}$	-7/12
$(1,1)_0$	$({f 3},{f 2})_{-5/6}$	$(\overline{f 3},{f 2})_{5/6}$	-19/84
$(1,1)_0$	$({f 27},{f 1})_0$	$({f 27},{f 1})_0$	2/3
$(1,1)_0$	$({f 8},{f 3})_0$	$({f 8},{f 3})_0$	1/6
$(1,1)_0$	$({f 8},{f 1})_0$	$({f 8},{f 1})_0$	1/14
$(1,1)_0$	$({f 1},{f 5})_0$	$(1,5)_0$	1
$(1,1)_0$	$(1,3)_0$	$(1,3)_0$	11/21
$(1,1)_0$	$(1,1)_0$	$(1,1)_0$	-2/7
$(1,1)_0$	$(\overline{f 3},{f 2})_{5/6}$	$({f 3},{f 2})_{-5/6}$	-19/84
$(1,1)_0$	$(\overline{f 3},{f 4})_{5/6}$	$({f 3},{f 4})_{-5/6}$	-7/12
$(1,1)_0$	$(\overline{f 15},{f 2})_{5/6}$	$({f 15},{f 2})_{-5/6}$	1/4
$(1,1)_0$	$(\overline{f 6},{f 3})_{5/3}$	$({f 6},{f 3})_{-5/3}$	1/6

Exotic colored fermion search

Carpenter et al., arXiv:2110.11359, ATLAS Coll., arXiv: 1606.05129





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$$\Psi = ({\bf 6}, {\bf 1})_{-2/3}$$
, $\overline{\Psi} = (\overline{{\bf 6}}, {\bf 1})_{2/3}$

Metastable sextet production at LHC

- Mass bound is 1.6 TeV for metastable gluino.
- R-hadrons are produced (bound state of Ψ , $\overline{\Psi}$ and quarks)
- Detectable via large ionization losses and slow propagation velocities



Gamma-ray search Lefranc et al., arXiv:1608.00786, CTA Collaboration, arXiv:2007.16129

- CTA prospect (expected to start in 2026)
 Energy range: 20 GeV 300 TeV
- Line (left) and continuum (right)



Implication to string theory

- String endpoints correspond to fundamental indices of gauge groups. Ex. symmetric $ij \Rightarrow$ adjoint
- Maximally three indices even if strongly coupled strings are considered.



Open Strings



M. Baumgart et al., arXiv: 2412.13192

Strongly Coupled Bound States

- Any examples with four indices are not known so far, and such construction seems to be difficult.
- Isolation of high dimensional reps is also difficult.
 - \Rightarrow Once 5-plet MDM with exotic colored fermions is experimentally confirmed, most of known string theories have to be falsified.

Summary

- **1** 5-plet MDM is phenomenologically promising DM candidate. The mass = 14 TeV.
- The model can accommodate gauge coupling unification at the reduced Planck scale by adding 2 pairs of SU(3)_c 6-plet fermions.
- **3** The model can be tested via searching for the exotic 6-plet fermions at TeV scale, and MDM through gamma-ray observation.
- If the isolated MDM is found by experiments, most of known string theories are excluded, and need to be modified.

Backup

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Thermal dark matter



Thermalized with SM particles in early universe.

To get $\Omega_{\chi}h^2 = 0.12$, roughly $\sigma \sim 1 \text{pb} \sim 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3/\text{s} \sim 10^{-36} \text{cm}^2$ (only log dependent on DM mass) Backup

Status of direct detection experiments

