

Neutrino Dark Matter and the 3.5 keV Line

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- "Precision" Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter & <u>Proposal for X-ray</u> <u>Detection</u> [Abazajian, Fuller & Patel 2001; KA 2005]: Full momentum-space production description with QCD transition corrections, resonant to non-resonant solutions as a continuum in lepton number.

Observing the Sterile Neutrino in the X-ray: Chandra & XMM-Newton X-ray Space Telescopes





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Virgo Cluster: 10⁷⁸ DM particles

Slíde from 2001: Vírgo Cluster



+ Future Detection?

Best constraints are from Horiuchi+ 2013



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Horiuchi, Humphrey, Abazajian & Kaplinghat, PRD arXiv:1311.0282

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Bulbul et al. ApJ arXiv:1402.2301

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- Those that could be close, Ar XVII DR, would have accompanying lines that make its flux a factor of 30 too low

CX lines at ~3.5 keV?



Betancourt-Martinez+ 2014; Gu+ 2015; Shah+ arXiv:1608.04751

CX line(s) at 3.44 - 3.47 keV while unidentified line at 3.57±0.025 keV (Perseus) 3.57±0.02 keV (MOS stack) 3.51±0.03 keV (PN stack)

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Following

Richard Kelley: #Hitomi X-ray Astronomy Recovery Mission (#XARM) approved in Japan and USA! Launch ~03/2021. Remarkably quick turnround.

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Hitomi X-ray Telescope: Few Days of Data

Unprecedented energy resolution: factor ~50 higher



Hitomi X-ray Telescope: Expected line or not?



NuSTAR: **11***o* detection!!??



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Chandra Deep Fields: 10 Ms of data



Cappelluti+ 2017: see the line at 3σ in ~10 Ms of COSMOS Legacy and Chandra Deep Field South observations, Rule out instrumental feature based on detailed characterization of response, Rule out CX & Ar lines due to lack of partner lines (K shown to be incompatible in 2014) arXiv:1701.07932

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The 7 keV Region Today



1508.05186**Cluster search: Iakubovskyi+**

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Future Space X-ray Astronomy

Athena



about 2028

Goals:

 Microcalorimeter spectroscopy (R≈1000)

$$R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta \lambda} \bigg)$$

Chandra

Wide, medium-sensitivity surveys

Area is built up at the expense of coarser angular resolution (10×) & sensitivity (5x)



Lynx X-ray Surveyor



- 50× sensitivity
- R≈1000 spectroscopy on 1" scales adds 3rd dimension to the data
- $R \approx 5000$ spectroscopy for point sources
- ✓ Area is built up while preserving Chandra angular resolution (0.5")
- ✓ 10× field of view with fine imaging

[Courtesy Alexey Vikhlinin]

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Confirmation Method #4: full kinematic reconstruction of K-capture nuclear decay



Original studies: Finocchiaro & Schrock 1992

CACHE (Cesium Atomic-electron Capture with Heavy neutrino Emission)

¹³¹Cs Ion trap proposal:
Peter Smith at UCLA Dark Matter
Conference, Feb. 2016
[Martoff, Napolitano, Hudson, Wang, Smith, Renshaw, Fuller, Grohs]



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 Yves Klein (1962)

Issues in Cosmological Small-scale Structure? And is Warm Dark Matter a Solution?



Dwarf galaxies around the Milky Way are less dense than they should be if they held cold dark matter

Too Big Too Fail: Feedback does not work at all scales



Bullock & Boylan-Kolchin, Ann Rev A&A (2017)



Anderhalden et al. arXiv:1212.2967



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7 keV Resonant Sterile Neutrino: Free streaming cutoff is very different, even for the same particle mass



Most recent detailed production calculations: A tale of weak interactions in the strong coupling epoch

Latest production calculations include

- 1. Redistribution of lepton asymmetry in collisional processes
- 2. More accurate inclusion of neutrino scattering on leptons, hadrons, quarks
- 3. Updated time-temperature evolution of the plasma, and more robust numerics

Venumadhav, Cyr-Racine, Abazajian & Hirata (2016) arXiv:1507.06655

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THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL, 812:30 (15pp), 2015 October 10



Figure 1. Projected density distributions of gas (left) and dark matter (right) at z = 3 in our fiducial simulation, showing pressure smoothing of gas relative to dark matter. The density at each point is an average for a column approximately $5 \text{ Mpc}/h \log$.

Kulkarni et al. arXiv:1504.00366: First hydro resolution simulation of pressure free streaming scale at high z.

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Kulkarni+: "The structure of the IGM in hydrodynamical simulations is very different from linear theory expectations at redshifts probed by the Ly α forest."... "the temperature-density relation should be augmented with a third pressure smoothing scale parameter λ_F "

Oñorbe et al. arXiv:1703.08633: use Lyα to probe reionization (not DM)

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Communication anomaly of X-ray Astronomy Satellite "Hitomi" (ASTRO-H) - March 26

JAXA Press Releases:

- loss of orbit altitude
- loss of communication
- debris reported by JSpOC (Joint Space Operations Center)
- estimated rotation period calculated from the light curve is about 5.2 seconds



 JAXA: "cause for this fast rotations is anomaly in attitude control system. Based on information from several overseas organizations indicating the separation of the two SAPs from ASTRO-H, JAXA concluded that the functions of ASTRO-H could not be restored. Accordingly, JAXA ceased efforts to recover the satellite and turned to investigating the cause of the anomaly."





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Inconsistent T? Potassium Line? (JP)





Bulbul+: "An independent consideration is the observed absolute line fluxes. Because the Ca XX, Ca XIX and S XVI emissivities drop steeply at low temperatures (lower panel in Fig. 3), any cool component would have to have a very high abundance of those elements to contribute significantly to the observed line fluxes. For example, to produce all of the observed Ca XX line in the Perseus MOS spectrum with a T = 1 keV plasma, the Ca abundance would have to be over 100 times solar (which is unlikely given the observed values of 0.3 - 2 solar in clusters, including their cool cores)."

No detection in M31? Consistent with K? (JP)



Boyarsky+ 2014: "The observation of the line at 3.53 keV in the center of M31 is in stark contradiction with its interpretation as a K XVIII atomic transition – it would require an extremely super-solar abundance of K XVIII and a super-solar ratio of abundance of K XVIII relative to AR XVII and CA XIX. The presence of this line in different types of objects – galaxy clusters, M31, and the Galactic Center – makes it challenging to explain all these signals together by emission from K XVIII, even if this interpretation is hard to exclude from the GC data only."

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Constraints from Energy Loss in Supernovae





Hidaka & Fuller (2006): Active-sterile conversion on collapse alters the electron fraction profile, temperature, etc. Cases were found with double resonances, re-converting steriles produced deep into active neutrinos and below the neutrino sphere, so the steriles never even exit the core

Argüelles, Brdar & Kopp (2016) arrive at stronger limits from energy loss, but do not address issues raised in previous work, both during collapse and later in the core energy loss: degeneracy pressure, rapid timescale evolution of ρ , multiple resonances.