

Dark Matter & Black Holes 2025

Fermionic Freeze-in from Flavon portal



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Quick Recap: Dark Matter

- Dark Matter is a non-luminous, non-baryonic form of matter which constitutes roughly 26% of the energy density of the Universe.
- Observational evidences only strengthen its existence.
- However the nature of DM is still unknown.
- Our dark matter is a particle, here it is considered to be a fermion.
- Among the production mechanisms of dark matter, Freeze out is the most popular one, the next option is Freeze in.

The problem and the solution

- The problem
 - ▶ The wide range of fermion masses in the Standard Model

$m_u = 2.3 \pm 0.7 \text{ MeV}$	$m_c = 1275 \pm 25 \text{ MeV}$	$m_t = 173210 \pm 510 \text{ MeV}$
$m_d = 4.8 \pm 0.5 \text{ MeV}$	$m_s = 95 \pm 5 \text{ MeV}$	$m_b = 4180 \pm 30 \text{ MeV}$
$m_e = 0.51 \text{ MeV}$	$m_\mu = 105.658 \pm 38 \text{ MeV}$	$m_\tau = 1776.84 \pm 17 \text{ MeV}$

One of the solutions

- Frogatt Nielson Mechanism

Model Set up

- Symmetry:

$$G_{SM} \otimes U(1)_{FN}$$

- Global abelian symmetry

- Particle content:
- S (flavon, a singlet complex scalar)
- χ (a majorana fermion)

FN mechanism in a nut-shell

- Yukawa term in SM
- In FN framework

$$Y^{ij} \bar{Q}_i H d_j \qquad y^{ij} \left(\frac{S}{\Lambda} \right)^{n_{ij}} \bar{Q}_i H d_j$$

Therefore

$$Y^{ij} = y^{ij} \epsilon^{n_{ij}}$$

where

$$\epsilon = \frac{v_s}{\sqrt{2} \Lambda} \approx 0.225$$

Flavon scenario

- The relation to be respected to conserve $U(1)_{\text{FN}}$ symmetry is

$$n_{ij}^d = a_{Q_i} - a_H - a_{d_j}, \quad n_{ij}^u = a_{Q_i} + a_H - a_{u_j}.$$

- The charge assignment of the fermions here are

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{Q_1} & a_{Q_2} & a_{Q_3} \\ a_{u_1} & a_{u_2} & a_{u_3} \\ a_{d_1} & a_{d_2} & a_{d_3} \\ a_{L_1} & a_{L_2} & a_{L_3} \\ a_{e_1} & a_{e_2} & a_{e_3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

DM Phenomenology

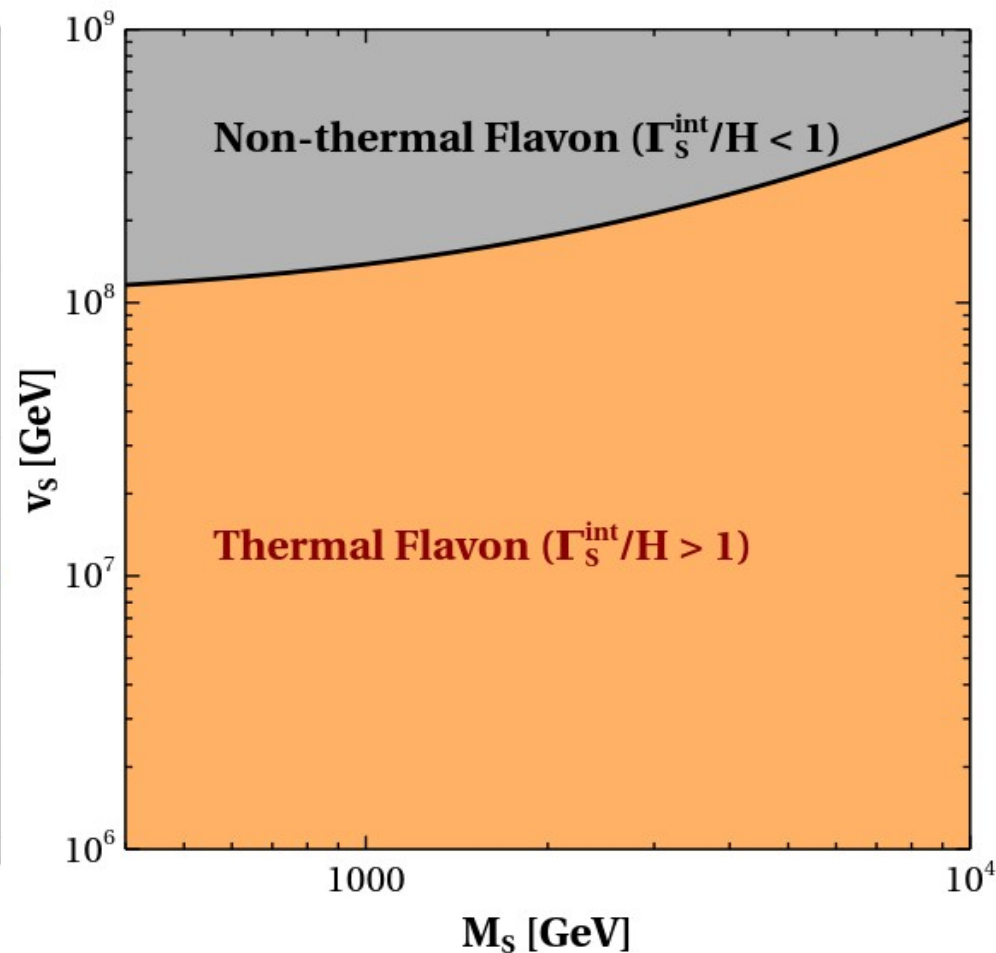
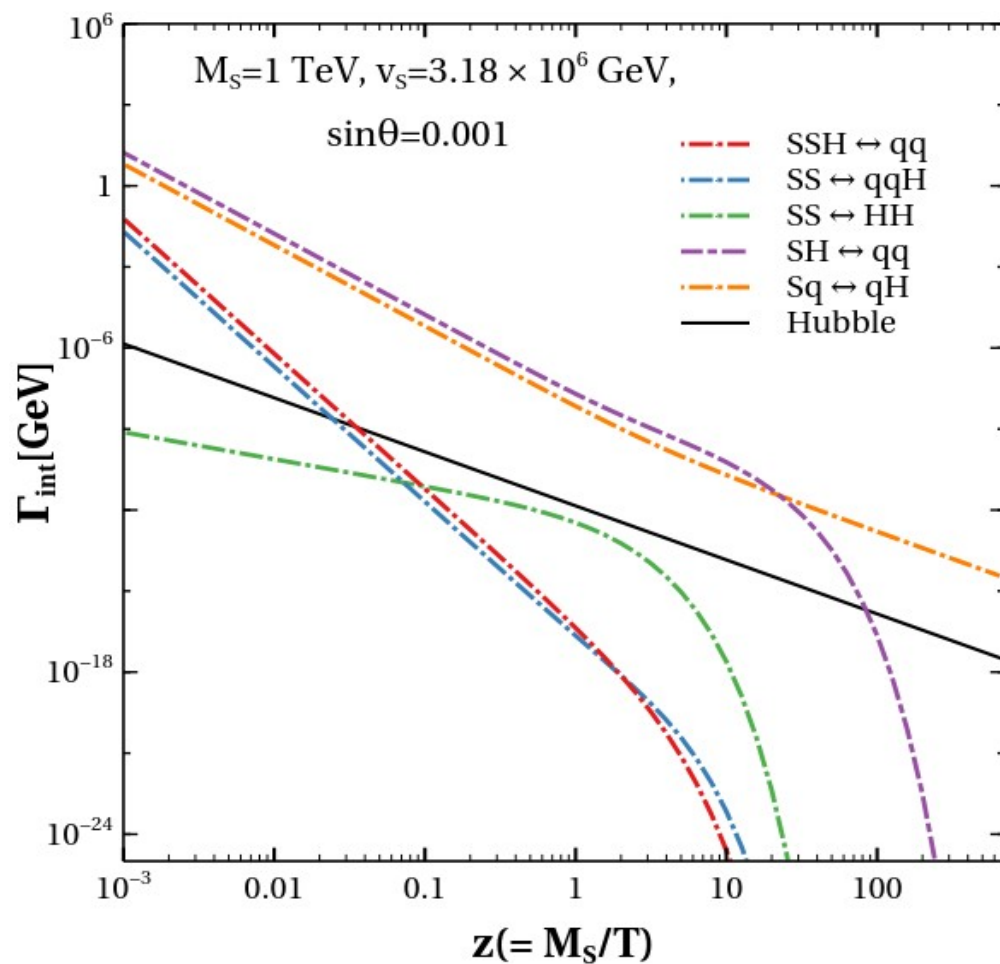
- We want a minimal model for dark matter and we chose a Majorana fermion as our candidate.
- The dark sector Lagrangian looks like

$$L_{DM} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\chi} (i \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu) \chi - y_\chi \left(\frac{S}{\Lambda} \right)^{2n-1} S \bar{\chi}^c \chi + h.c$$

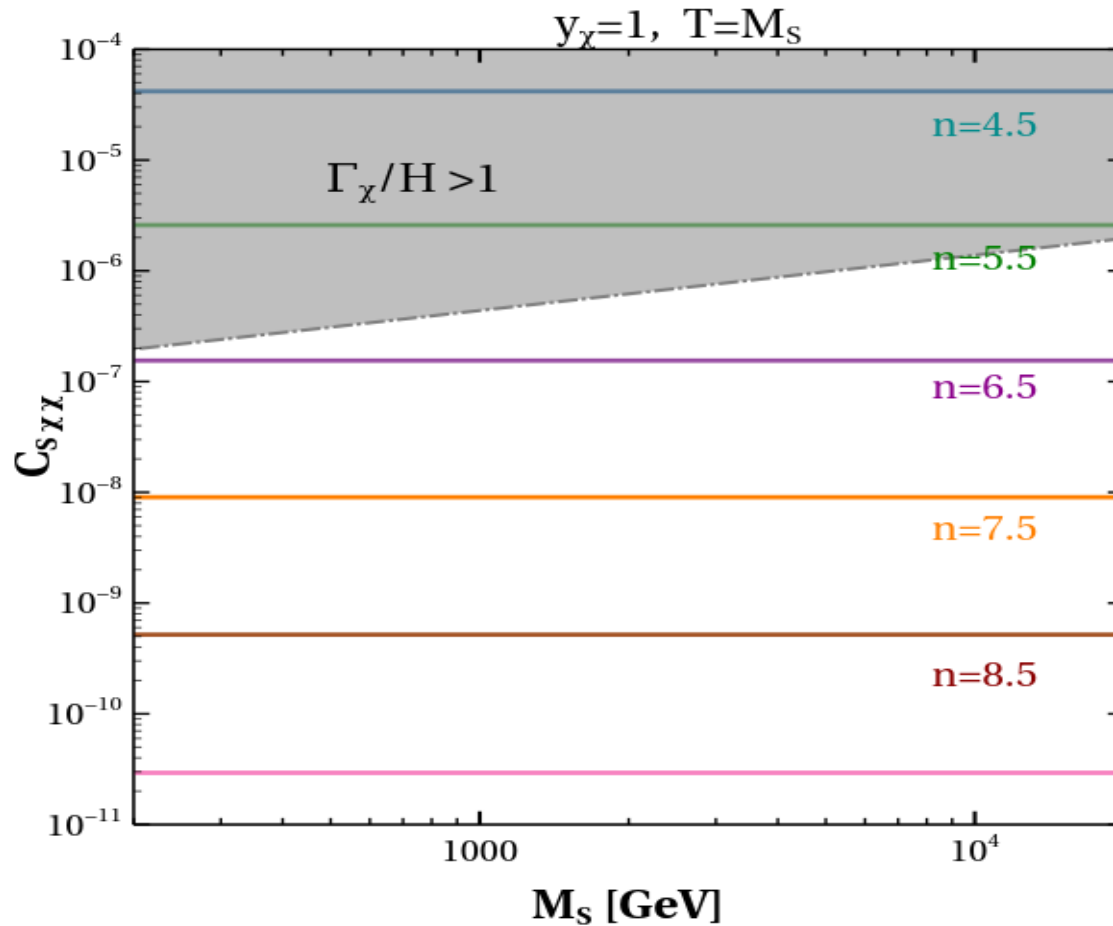
where n is the $U(1)_{FN}$ charge of DM.

- For n being half integer, the dark matter is stable.
- For n being a little high, it can create freeze in coupling naturally.

Thermalisation of S



Condition for non-thermal DM



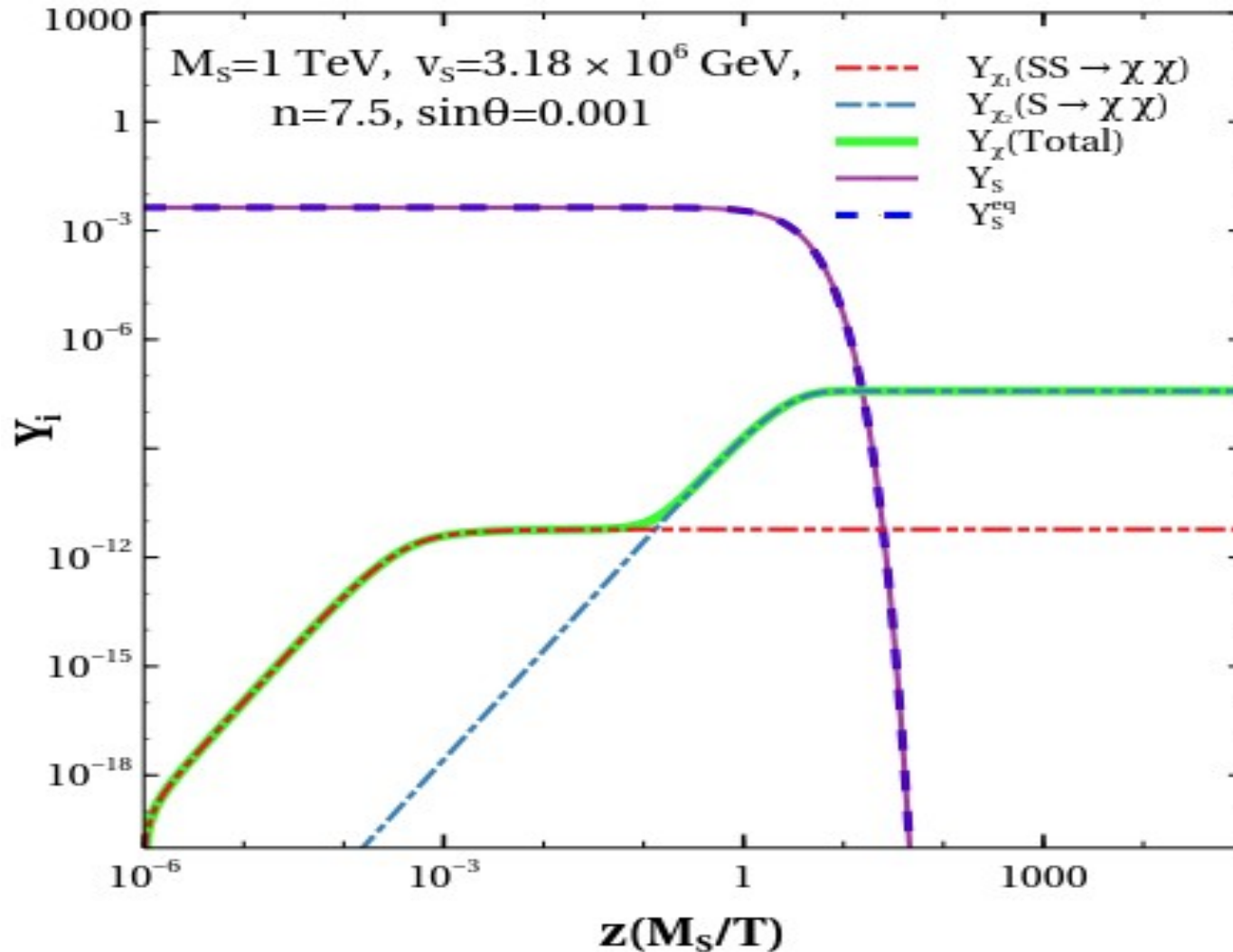
Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{dY_\chi}{dz} = \frac{\langle \Gamma(S \rightarrow \chi\chi) \rangle}{H z} Y_s(z) + \frac{4\pi^2}{45} \frac{M_{Pl} M_S}{1.66} \frac{\sqrt{g(z)}}{z^2} \langle \sigma v_{SS \rightarrow \chi\chi} \rangle Y_s^2(z)$$

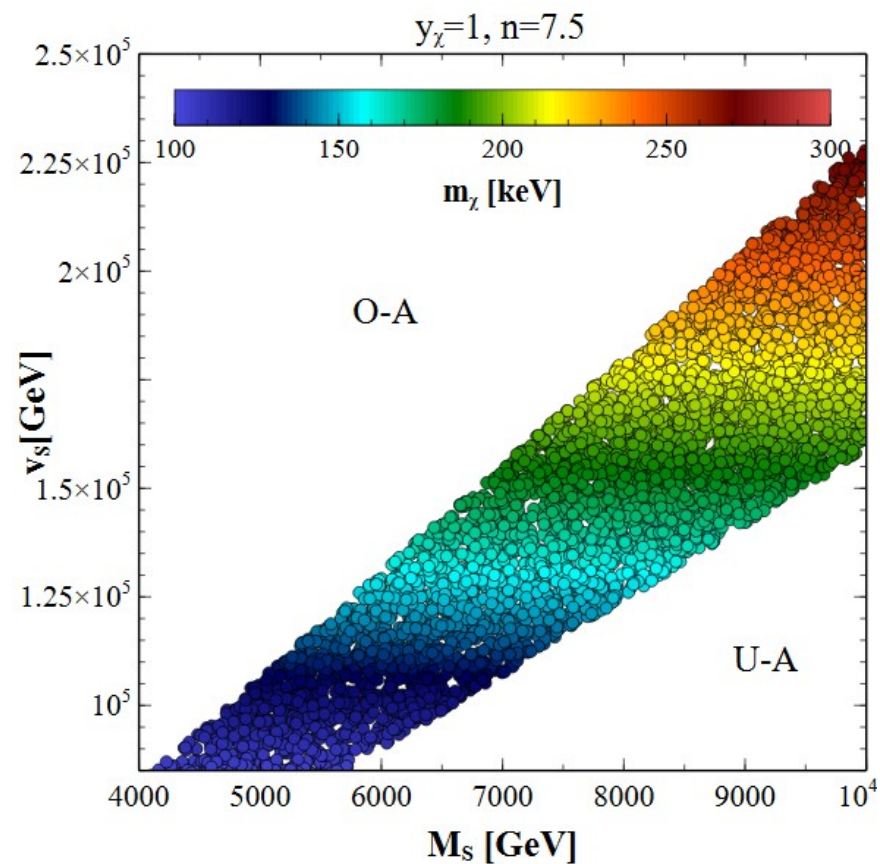
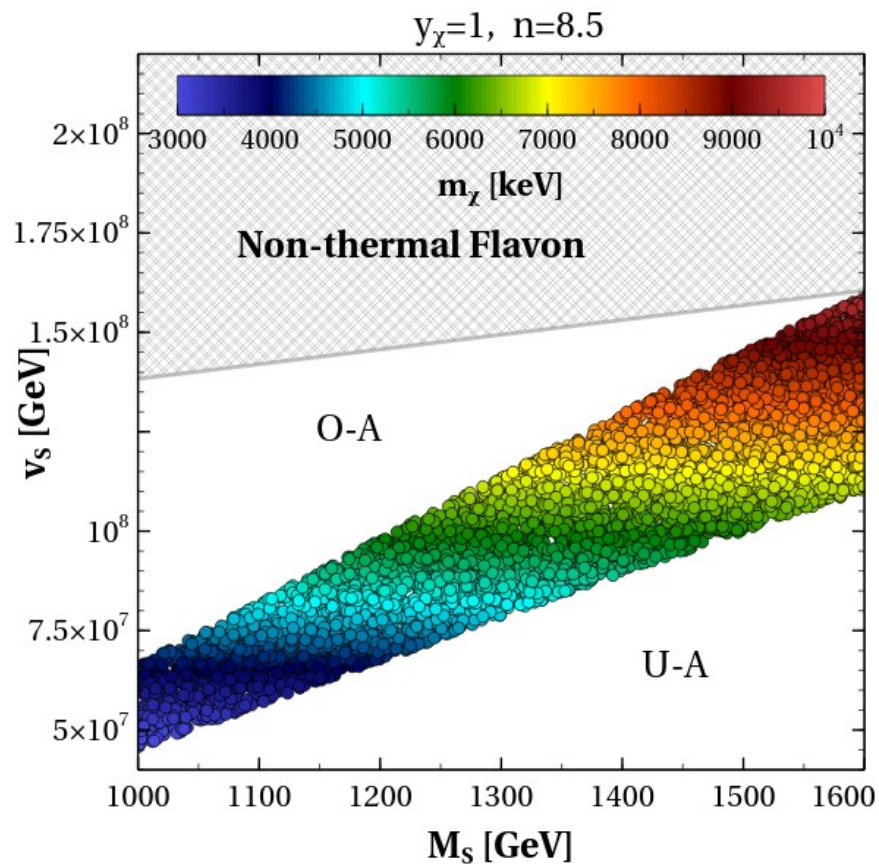
$$\frac{dY_s}{dz} = -\frac{\langle \Gamma(S \rightarrow \chi\chi) \rangle}{H z} Y_s(z) - \frac{4\pi^2}{45} \frac{M_{Pl} M_S}{1.66} \frac{\sqrt{g(z)}}{z^2} \langle \sigma v_{SS \rightarrow \chi\chi} \rangle Y_s^2(z)$$

+ other terms

Evolution under B. Eq.



DM abundance



Summary

- We found a unified solution to fermion mass-hierarchy and dark matter problem.
- For $n=7.5$ and $n=8.5$, we found dark matter in MeV and keV mass range satisfying 100% of relic density.

Based on

- FIMP dark matter from flavon portals

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