Direct Detection of Hidden Monopole Dark Matter via Axion Portal Coupling



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Outline

- Hidden monopole dark matter
- Model Setup : 't Hooft-Polyakov monopole + ALP
- The Witten effect
- Axion-portal and axion profile around the monopole
- Direct detection searches
- Beam-dump experiments

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It is known that a magnetic monopole can arise when a non-abelian gauge symmetry is spontaneously broken via the Higgs mechanism. 't Hooft, Polyakov '74

$$\begin{split} & \mathrm{SU}(2)_{\mathrm{H}} + \phi = (\phi_{1}, \phi_{2}, \phi_{3}) \\ \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{H}} &= -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mathrm{H}}^{\mu\nu} \cdot F_{\mathrm{H}\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \phi \cdot \mathcal{D}_{\mu} \phi - \mathcal{V}(\phi) \\ F_{\mathrm{H}}^{\mu\nu} &= \partial^{\mu} A_{\mathrm{H}}^{\nu} - \partial^{\nu} A_{\mathrm{H}}^{\mu} + e_{\mathrm{H}} A_{\mathrm{H}}^{\mu} \times A_{\mathrm{H}}^{\nu} \\ \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \phi &= \partial^{\mu} \phi + e_{\mathrm{H}} A_{\mathrm{H}}^{\mu} \times \phi \quad \mathcal{V}(\phi) = \frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\phi} (\phi^{2} - v_{\mathrm{H}}^{2})^{2} \\ & \text{hidden gauge coupling} & \text{vev of the scalar field} \end{split}$$

Particle spectrum

Expand the Lagrangian density around the vacuum state

$$\boldsymbol{\phi} \rightarrow \boldsymbol{\phi} + \langle \boldsymbol{\phi} \rangle \quad \langle \boldsymbol{\phi} \rangle = (0, 0, \upsilon_{\mathrm{H}})$$

One massless hidden photon : $\gamma_{\rm H}$

- One massive hidden scalar field : φ
- Two massive hidden gauge bosons : $W_{
 m H}^{\pm}$

$$\mathrm{SU(2)}_{\mathrm{H}} \xrightarrow{\langle \phi \rangle} \mathrm{U(1)}_{\mathrm{H}}$$

Magnetic Monopole

- Static solution : time-independent solution + $A_{\rm H}^0 = 0$
- Finite-energy field configuration : $|\phi(r \to \infty)| \to v_{\rm H}$



Asymptotic forms

$$m{B}_{
m H}(r
ightarrow\infty)\,=\,rac{\hat{m{r}}}{e_{
m H}r^2}$$

$$\phi(r \to \infty) = v_{\rm H} \frac{r}{r}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{\mu}\boldsymbol{\phi}(r \to \infty) = 0$$

Mass and Charge Bogomol'nyi bound :

f(0) = 1 $f(\infty) \simeq 1.787$

 $\alpha_{\rm H} = e_{\rm H}^2 / (4\pi)$

$$m_{\rm M} \ge m_{W'} / \alpha_{\rm H} f(\lambda_{\phi} / \alpha_{\rm H})$$

E. B. Bogomolny '76

Bogomol'nyi limit : $\lambda_\phi ightarrow 0$

Particle	Mass	Hidden electric charge	Hidden magnetic charge
$\gamma_{ m H}$	0	0	0
φ	$m_{\varphi} = \sqrt{2\lambda_{\phi}} v_{\mathrm{H}}$	0	0
$W_{\rm H}^{\pm}$	$m_{W'} = \sqrt{4\pi\alpha_{\rm H}} v_{\rm H}$	$Q_{\rm E} = \pm e_{\rm H}$	0
$M(\overline{M})$	$m_{\rm M} = \sqrt{4\pi/\alpha_{\rm H}} v_{\rm H}$	$Q_{\rm E}=\pm e_{\rm H}\theta_{\rm H}/(2\pi)$	$Q_{\rm M}=\pm 4\pi/e_{\rm H}$

The Witten effect

Witten '79

The theta term of hidden U(1) gauge symmetry

$$\mathcal{L}_{\theta} = \theta_{\mathrm{H}} \frac{e_{\mathrm{H}}^2}{32\pi^2} F_{\mathrm{H}}^{\mu\nu} \widetilde{F}_{\mathrm{H}\mu\nu} = -\theta_{\mathrm{H}} \frac{e_{\mathrm{H}}^2}{8\pi^2} \boldsymbol{E}_{\mathrm{H}} \cdot \boldsymbol{B}_{\mathrm{H}}$$

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Benchmark point

Combined relic abundance of DM

Khoze & Ro 2014



What we did

Axion portal coupling + Yukawa interaction



Axion portal coupling

Lagrangian density

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mathrm{H}}^{\mu\nu} F_{\mathrm{H}\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} f_a^2 \partial^\mu \theta \partial_\mu \theta - \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 f_a^2 (\theta - \theta_0)^2 + \theta \frac{e_{\mathrm{H}}^2}{32\pi^2} F_{\mathrm{H}}^{\mu\nu} \widetilde{F}_{\mathrm{H}\mu\nu}$$

- Field strength of the hidden photon : $F_{\rm H}^{\mu\nu} = \partial^{\mu}A_{\rm H3}^{\nu} \partial^{\nu}A_{\rm H3}^{\mu}$
- Axion decay constant (PQ breaking scale) : $f_{\rm H}$
- Normalized axion field : $\theta \equiv a/f_a$
- Axion mass : m_a

$$\checkmark$$
 E.g. $ig(heta - heta_0ig)G_{\mathrm{H}'}\widetilde{G}_{\mathrm{H}'}$

Axion-monopole system

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$$\boldsymbol{E}_{\mathrm{H}}(r) = \frac{Q_{\mathrm{E}}(r)}{4\pi} \frac{\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}}{r^{2}} \qquad Q_{\mathrm{E}}(r) = \pm \frac{e_{\mathrm{H}}}{2\pi} \theta_{\mathrm{H}}(r)$$

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Hamiltonian of the axion-monopole system

$$\begin{aligned} H_{a-\mathrm{M}} &= \int d^3 x \left[\frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} f_{\mathrm{H}}^2 (\nabla \theta)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 f_{\mathrm{H}}^2 (\theta - \theta_0)^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{H}}|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{B}_{\mathrm{H}}|^2 \right] \\ &= 2\pi f_{\mathrm{H}}^2 \int_{r_{\mathrm{c}}}^{\infty} dr \left[\left(r \frac{d\theta(r)}{dr} \right)^2 + m_a^2 r^2 \left(\theta(r) - \theta_0 \right)^2 + \frac{r_0^2}{r^2} \theta(r)^2 \right] + \text{ const.} \end{aligned}$$

Axion profile around the monopole

Equation of motion of the axion field

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r}\frac{d\theta}{dr} - \left(m_a^2 + \frac{r_0^2}{r^4}\right)\theta + m_a^2\theta_0 = 0 \qquad r_0 = \frac{e_{\rm H}}{8\pi^2 f_a}$$

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- This differential equation can be solved asymptotically.

$$\theta(z) \simeq \begin{cases} \theta_{>}(z) \equiv \theta_{0} \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{m_{a}r_{0}}}{1 + 2\sqrt{m_{a}r_{0}}} \right) e^{-z + \sqrt{m_{a}r_{0}}} & \text{for } z > \sqrt{m_{a}r_{0}} \\ \theta_{<}(z) \equiv \theta_{0} \left(1 - \frac{z}{1 + 2\sqrt{m_{a}r_{0}}} e^{-m_{a}r_{0}/z + \sqrt{m_{a}r_{0}}} \right) & \text{for } z < \sqrt{m_{a}r_{0}} \\ z = r_{0}/r \end{cases}$$

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Axion-nucleon interaction (Yukawa coupling)

$$H_{a-N} = \frac{C_{N}m_{N}}{f_{a}} \int d^{3}x \left[a(x)\overline{\psi}_{N}(x)i\gamma^{5}\psi_{N}(x)\right]$$

QFT, Peskin

$$H_I = \int d^3x\, e ar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi\, A_\mu$$

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Spin-dependent cross-section

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{N}\rightarrow\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{N}}}{d\Omega} \simeq \frac{\alpha_{\mathrm{H}}\theta_0^2 C_{\mathrm{N}}^2}{16\pi^3} \frac{m_{\mathrm{N}}^2}{m_a^4 f_a^2} |\boldsymbol{q}|^2$$

q = p' - p

Direct detection experiments



Direct search exps. : $m_a vs f_a^{-1}$



Axion decay channels

Hidden photon decay channel

In our model, the axion can decay into the hidden photons

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\alpha_{\rm H}}{8\pi} \frac{a}{f_{\rm H}} F_{\rm H}^{\mu\nu} \widetilde{F}_{{\rm H}\mu\nu} \longrightarrow \Gamma(a \to \gamma_{\rm H}\gamma_{\rm H}) = \frac{\alpha_{\rm H}^2 m_a^3}{256\pi^3 f_{\rm H}^2}$$

Fermion & photon decay channels We assume Yukawa-like coupling for the axion

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{f} \frac{m_f}{f_a} a \bar{f} i \gamma^5 f \longrightarrow \Gamma(a \to f^+ f^-) = \frac{m_a m_f^2}{8\pi f_a^2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_f^2}{m_a^2}} \int \Gamma(a \to \gamma\gamma) \simeq \frac{\alpha^2 m_a^3}{256\pi^3 f_a^2}$$

Axion decay channels without $\gamma_{\rm H}$



Axion decay channels with $\gamma_{\rm H}$



Beam-dump experiments



J.D. Clarke et al. 2014

$$N_{\rm det} \approx N_a \exp\left(-\frac{480\,\mathrm{m}}{\gamma_a \beta_a c \,\tau_a}\right) \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{35\,\mathrm{m}}{\gamma_a \beta_a c \,\tau_a}\right)\right] \sum_{X=e,\,\mu,\gamma} \mathcal{B}(a \to X\bar{X}) < 2.3$$
$$\gamma_a = (1 - \beta_a^2)^{-1/2} \approx 10\,\mathrm{GeV}/m_a \quad \tau_a = \frac{1}{\Gamma_a} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a \to \gamma_{\rm H}\gamma_{\rm H}) + \Gamma(a \to \mathrm{vis})}$$

Beam-dump exps. : m_a vs f_a^{-1}





(II) $m_a = \mathcal{O}(100) \,\mathrm{MeV}$ $f_a = \mathcal{O}(10^4) \,\mathrm{GeV}$

We find two parameter regions where both the hidden monopole DM and the axion are within the reach of the direct search and beam-dump experiments.

Summary

- We have studied the hidden monopole DM via the axion portal.
- We have computed the spin-dependent cross-section of the hidden monopole DM scattering off a nucleon and compare it

to the direct search experiments.

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Back up

Kibble-Zurek mechanism

Second-order phase transition



Benchmark point

