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# Probing dark matter with spectral distortions (and other probes)

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Did LIGO detect dark matter? Bird et al.

The clustering of massive PBHs as Dark Matter: Measuring their mass distribution with advanced LIGO. Clesse & Garcia-Bellido

PBH Scenario for the Gravitational-Wave Event GW150914. Sasaki et al.



Possible interaction between baryons and DM particles revealed by the first stars Barkana

Insights on Dark Matter from Hydrogen during Cosmic Dawn Muñoz & Loeb

Signs of Dark Matter at 21-cm? Barkana et al.

#### Interacting dark matter as a heat sink: 21-cm signal

Tashiro, Kadota and Silk 2014





## Strong dependence of interaction on relative motion implies large-scale fluctuations on ~BAO scales



#### Interacting dark matter as a heat sink: spectral distortions



#### Can spectral distortions say anything about millicharge DM?

- scattering with baryons:  $\sigma \sim 1/v^4$ , heat and momentum exchange more important at low-z
- scattering with photons:
- low-mass limit from SD:

$$\sigma_{\chi\gamma} = \epsilon^4 \left(\frac{m_e}{m_\chi}\right)^2 \sigma_{\rm T}$$
$$\frac{\sigma_{\chi\gamma}}{\sigma_{\rm T}} \lesssim 10^{-12} \frac{m_\chi}{m_e}$$



#### For constant cross section with protons, CMB anisotropy do better



## Dark-y distortion for chromatic DM-photon scattering, e.g. dipolar dark matter σ~ E<sup>2</sup>

different from standard energy injection through heating of baryons



#### **Primordial Black Holes**

Mon. Not. R. astr. Soc. (1971) 152, 75-78.

#### GRAVITATIONALLY COLLAPSED OBJECTS OF VERY LOW MASS

Stephen Hawking

It is suggested that there may be a large number of gravitationally collapsed objects of mass  $10^{-5}$  g upwards which were formed as a result of fluctuations in the early Universe.

measurements indicate that the average density of the Universe cannot be greater than about  $10^{-28}$  g cm<sup>-2</sup>. Since the average density of visible matter is only about  $10^{-31}$  g cm<sup>-2</sup>, it is tempting to suppose that the major part of the mass of the Universe is in the form of collapsed objects. This extra density could stabilize clusters of galaxies which, otherwise, appear mostly not to be gravitationally bound. PBHs are one of the very few (model-dependent) probes of the **ultrasmall-scale primordial power spectrum.** 



It's a nutty idea. But every idea of what dark matter might be is a nutty idea. Marc Kamionkowski, Science Magazine 2/17



## Underlying physics for CMB bounds

Carr 1981, Ricotti et al. 2008, YAH & Kamionkowski 2017

- 1. PBHs accrete baryons
- 2. a fraction of the accreted mass is re-radiated
- 3. a fraction of this luminosity is deposited into the plasma
- 4. some is deposited as heat => CMB spectral distortions
- 5. some leads to extra ionizations
  => change the recombination history and visibility function
  => affects CMB temperature and polarization anisotropies

Our philosophy: (i) first-principles, low-fudge-number calculation (ii) estimate the minimal physically plausible effect in order to set conservative upper limits

### 1. Accretion rate: Bondi-Hoyle-Lyttleton with a few twists



## 2. Radiative efficiency: Shapiro (1973) with a few twists





## Luminosity



## Baryon-dark matter relative velocity

Baryons and dark matter have large-scale relative motions (see e.g. Tseliakhovich & Hirata 2010 for effect on small-scale structure)

- before recombination  $v_{\rm rel} \approx 30 \ {\rm km/s} \approx 5 \ c_s$
- after recombination: baryons become cold like DM.  $v_{
  m rel} \propto 1/a$

Ricotti et al. 2008 assumed  $v_{\rm rel} \approx 4 \text{ km/s} \lesssim c_s$ 



Ruffert's website

## Baryon-dark matter relative velocity

Simple fudge (à la Bondi-Hoyle):  $c_s \rightarrow (c_s^2 + v_{rel}^2)^{1/2}$ 

in the simple Bondi case:  $L \propto \dot{M}^2 \propto \frac{1}{(c_s^2 + v_{\rm rel}^2)^3}$  $\langle L \rangle \propto \left\langle \frac{1}{(c_s^2 + v_{\rm rel}^2)^3} \right\rangle \approx \frac{1}{c_s^3 \langle v_{\rm rel}^2 \rangle^{3/2}}, \quad \langle v_{\rm rel}^2 \rangle \gg c_s^2$  $\frac{\langle L \rangle}{L(v_{\rm rel} = 0)} \sim 10^{-2}$ 

See also Horowitz 2016, Aloni, Blum & Flauger 2017

Notes: (1) detailed suppression is not highly relevant: average luminosity is dominated by subsonically accreting BHs.

(2) there are small-scale motions due to non-linear clustering. *We do not account for those*.

## 3. Energy deposition into the plasma

Mostly through Compton scattering of ~ 0.1-10 MeV photons



#### 4-CMB spectral distortions

$$\begin{split} u &\approx 1.4 \int_{5 \times 10^4}^{2 \times 10^6} d\ln(1+z) \frac{\dot{\rho}_{\rm dep}^{\rm heat}}{H \rho_{\rm cmb}}, \\ y &\approx \frac{1}{4} \int_{200}^{5 \times 10^4} d\ln(1+z) \frac{\dot{\rho}_{\rm dep}^{\rm heat}}{H \rho_{\rm cmb}} \\ \mu &\leq 6 \times 10^{-8} f_{\rm pbh} \, \max_{z \geq 5 \times 10^4} \left( \frac{\langle L \rangle}{L_{\rm Edd}} \right). \\ y &\approx 0.02 \, f_{\rm pbh} \frac{\langle L \rangle}{L_{\rm Edd}} \Big|_{z \approx 200} \end{split}$$

Undetectable by FIRAS ( $\mu$ ,  $y \sim 10^{-5}$ ), or even by PIXIE ( $\mu$ ,  $y \sim 10^{-8}$ )

5. Effect on recombination history and CMB anisotropies







(Blas, Lesgourgues & Tram 2011)



#### Bounds to be taken at the order-of-magnitude level only.

Rely on very simplified modeling of complex physics, but ought to be conservative. e.g., disk accretion would imply higher luminosity hence stronger possible bounds.



## Does LIGO rule out PBH-dark matter?

Ali-Haïmoud, Kovetz & Kamionkowski [1709.06576]



#### Basic idea: Nakamura, Sasaki, Tanaka & Thorne 1997



On small enough scales, PBHs are randomly distributed (or maybe not quite!)

Some PBH pairs happen to be close enough that they decouple from the Hubble flow deep in the radiation era.

As they fall towards one another, torqued by other PBHs result in a non-zero (but small) angular momentum

Inspiral through GW radiation, some merge at the present time.





$$t = \frac{3}{170} \frac{a^4}{M^3} j^7$$

and *j*, get ;er rate





PBH binaries are typically highly eccentric. Merger timescale strongly depends on eccentricity.  $\frac{1}{5}$   $\frac{10^5}{2}$ 

#### Do binaries that form at $z \sim 10^4$ - 10<sup>5</sup> evolve only through GW radiation until the present time?

• Gravitational interactions with other PBHs and rest of dark matter

Using <u>simple analytic estimates</u> of the properties of the first structures, we found that torques due dark matter (PBHs or WIMPs) do not significantly affect PBH binaries.

• Exchange of energy and angular momentum with accreting baryons



Most uncertain piece. Estimated that torques <u>could be marginally relevant.</u> Subject of active research (e.g. Tang, Haiman & MacFadyen 2018).

## Does LIGO rule out PBH-dark matter?

It *might*, but more checks are needed



#### **Simulations produced by Derek Inman (NYU)**



$$M_{
m pbh} = 30 M_{\odot}$$
  
 $f_{
m pbh} = 0.1$