

Right-Handed Sneutrino as the CDM

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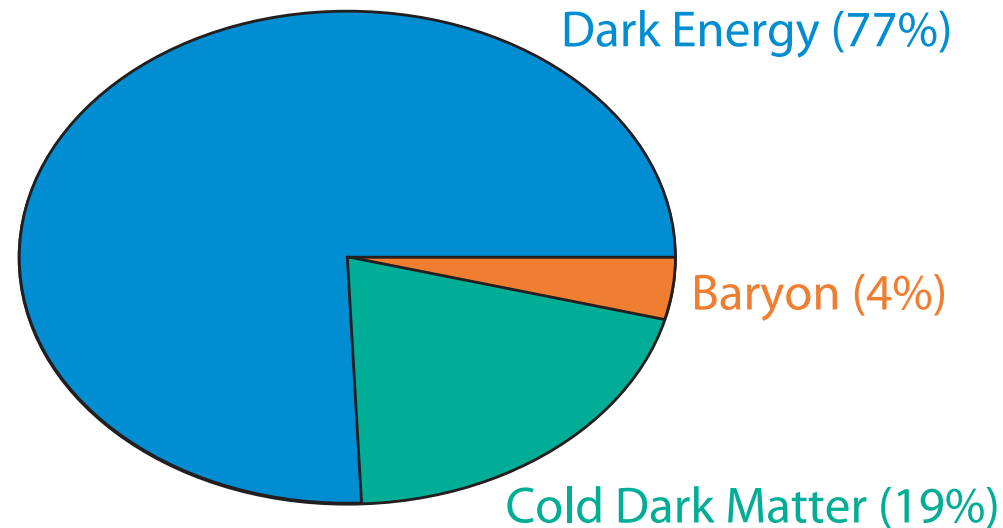
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1. Introduction

Dark matter (DM)

⇒ Dark matter should exist, but we don't know what it is



⇒ Well-motivated candidate: The lightest superparticle

⇒ It is often assumed that thermally-produced lightest neutralino is DM

Today, I consider a DM candidate with non-thermal origin

⇒ Right-handed sneutrino $\tilde{\nu}_R$

Seesaw scenario is usually adopted for small neutrino masses

[Minkowski; Yanagida; Gell-Mann, Ramond & Slansky]

⇒ Neutrino masses are Majorana-type

⇒ Right-handed (s)neutrinos are ultra-heavy, and are irrelevant for low-energy phenomenology

However, neutrino masses may be Dirac-type

⇒ Smallness of the neutrino mass is naturally explained by the (conserved) lepton-number symmetry

⇒ $\tilde{\nu}_R$ can be cold dark matter (CDM)

[Asaka, Ishiwata & TM; See also Gopalakrishna, de Gouvea & Porod]

Today, I consider SUSY cosmology with:

- Dirac-type neutrino mass
- Right-handed sneutrino LSP with $m_{\tilde{\nu}} \sim O(100 \text{ GeV})$

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2. Framework

Superpotential (for Dirac-type neutrino mass):

$$W = y_\nu \hat{\nu}_R \hat{l}_L \hat{H}_u + W_{\text{MSSM}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_\nu = y_\nu \langle H_u \rangle$$

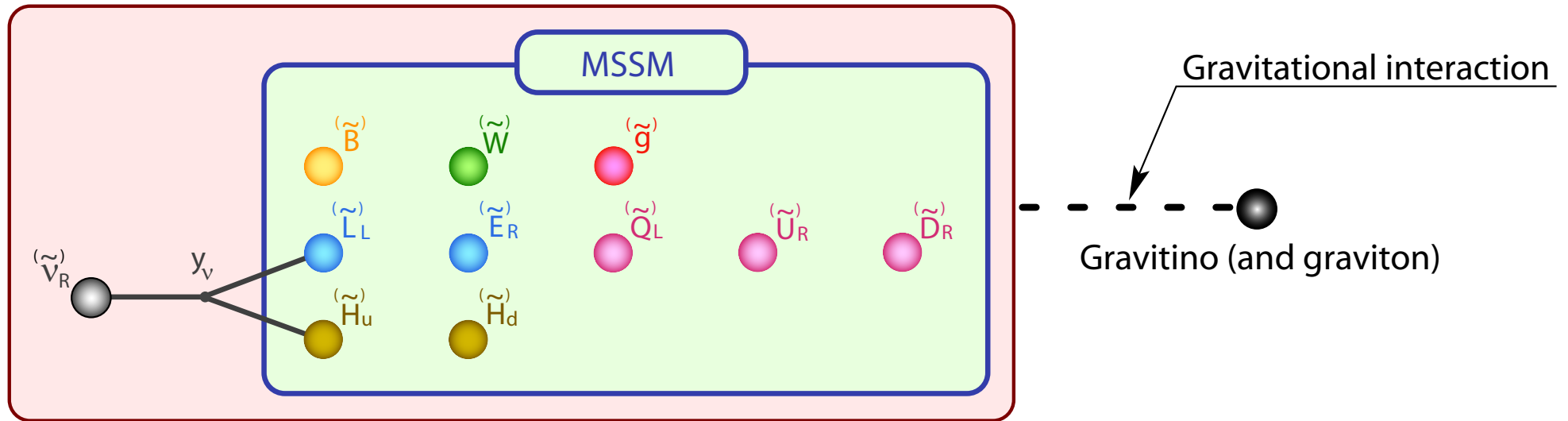
Yukawa coupling constant becomes very small:

$$y_\nu \sin \beta = 2.8 \times 10^{-13} \times \left(\frac{m_\nu^2}{2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2} \right)^{1/2}$$

In SUSY model with the Dirac-type neutrino masses

- Mass of $\tilde{\nu}_R$ is mainly from SUSY breaking effect
 $\Rightarrow m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} \sim O(100 \text{ GeV})$ (in gravity mediation)
 $\Rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R$ may be the LSP
- ν_R and $\tilde{\nu}_R$ are very weakly interacting

$\tilde{\nu}_R$ is very weakly interacting: $y_\nu \sim O(10^{-13})$



- If $\tilde{\nu}_R$ is the LSP, the MSSM-LSP becomes long-lived

MSSM-LSP: LSP in the MSSM sector

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{H}_u \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R l_L}^{-1} \simeq 100 \text{ sec} \times \left(\frac{y_\nu}{10^{-13}} \right)^{-2} \left(\frac{\mu_H}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-1}$$

- Charged (or colored) particle may be the MSSM-LSP

3. Relic Density of $\tilde{\nu}_R$ -LSP

$\tilde{\nu}_R$ in the early universe

- Production rate of $\tilde{\nu}_R$ is very small (because $y_\nu \sim 10^{-13}$)
- $\tilde{\nu}_R$ cannot be thermalized

Possible production processes

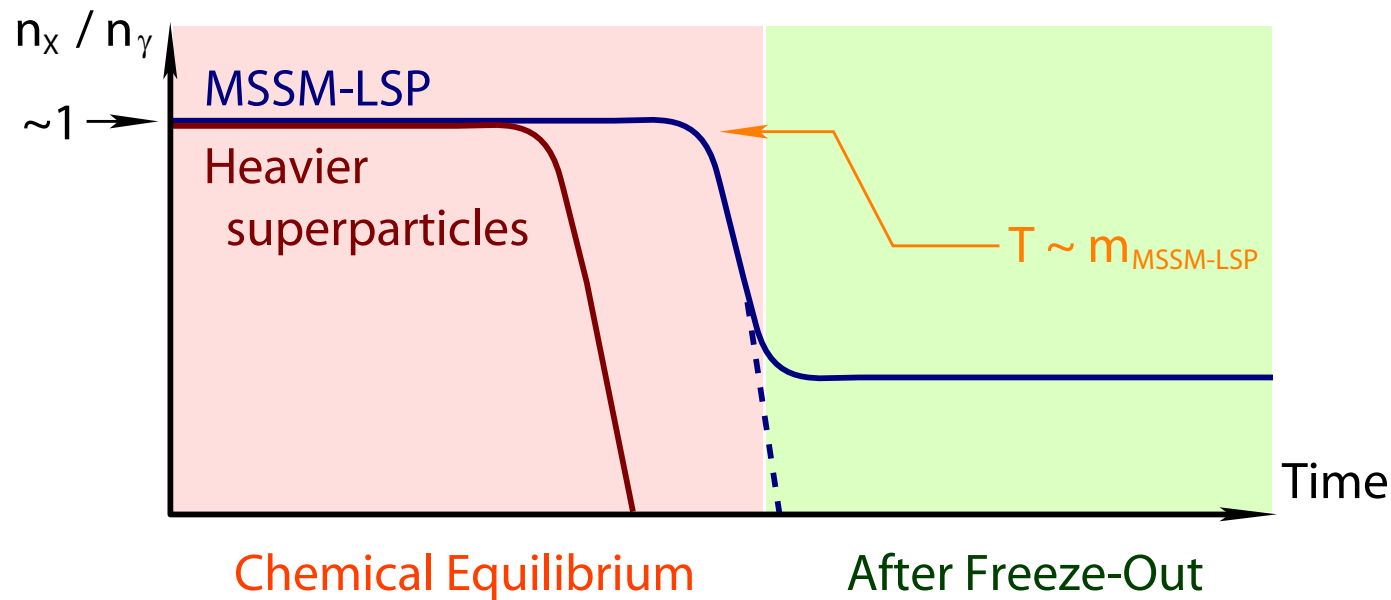
- Scattering and decay of MSSM particles in thermal bath
- Decay of the MSSM-LSP after freeze-out
- Decay of gravitino, axino, ...

I will show that $\Omega_{\tilde{\nu}_R} = \Omega_c$ is realized in wide parameter region

Production from MSSM particles: Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{dn_{\tilde{\nu}_R}}{dt} + 3Hn_{\tilde{\nu}_R} \simeq \sum_x n_x \langle \Gamma_{x \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R + \dots} \rangle + (\text{scattering})$$

n_x : number density of parent particles



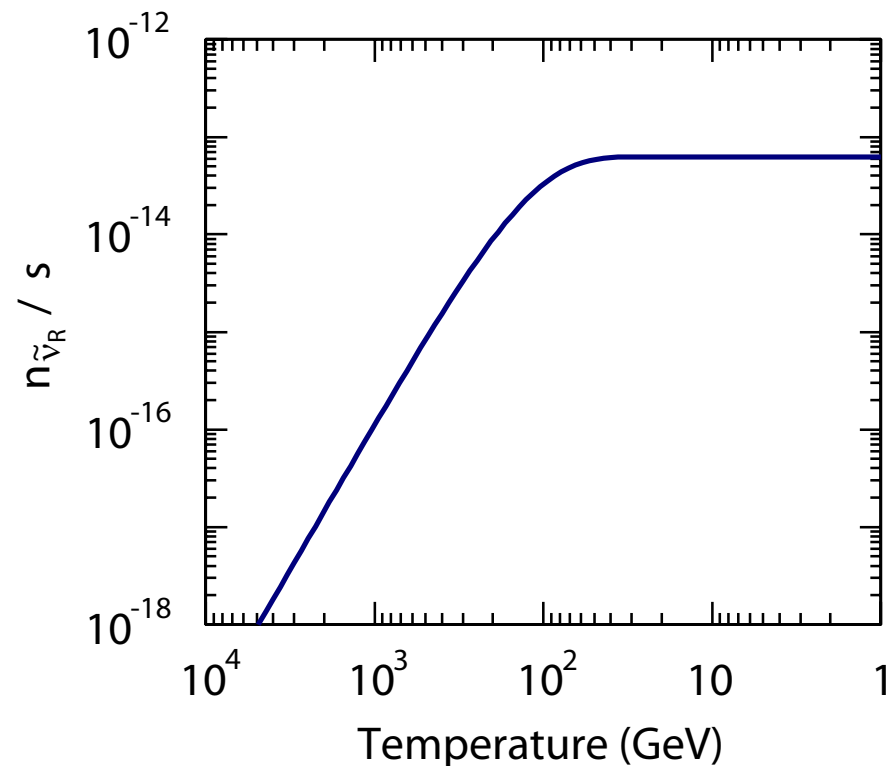
$$\Rightarrow n_{\tilde{\nu}_R} = n_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^{(\text{C.E.})} + n_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^{(\text{F.O.})}$$

$\tilde{\nu}_R$ from the decay of MSSM particles in thermal bath

$\tilde{\nu}_R$ production is dominated at lower temperature

[Asaka, Ishiwata & TM; See also Hall, Jedamzik, March-Russell & West]

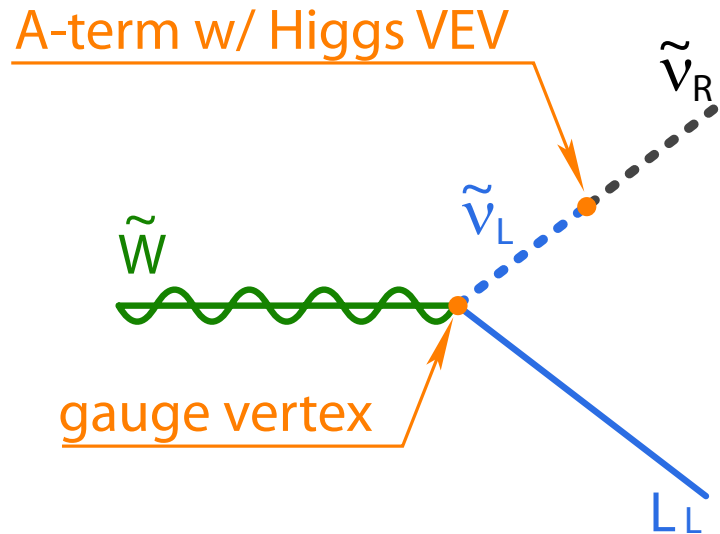
$\Leftrightarrow \langle \Gamma_{x \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R + \dots} \rangle / H$ increases with time



\Rightarrow Relic density is insensitive to the early thermal history

Important decay processes: $\tilde{W}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R \nu$ and $\tilde{W}^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R l^\pm$

$$\mathcal{L}_A = A_\nu H_u \tilde{L} \tilde{\nu}_R + \text{h.c.}$$



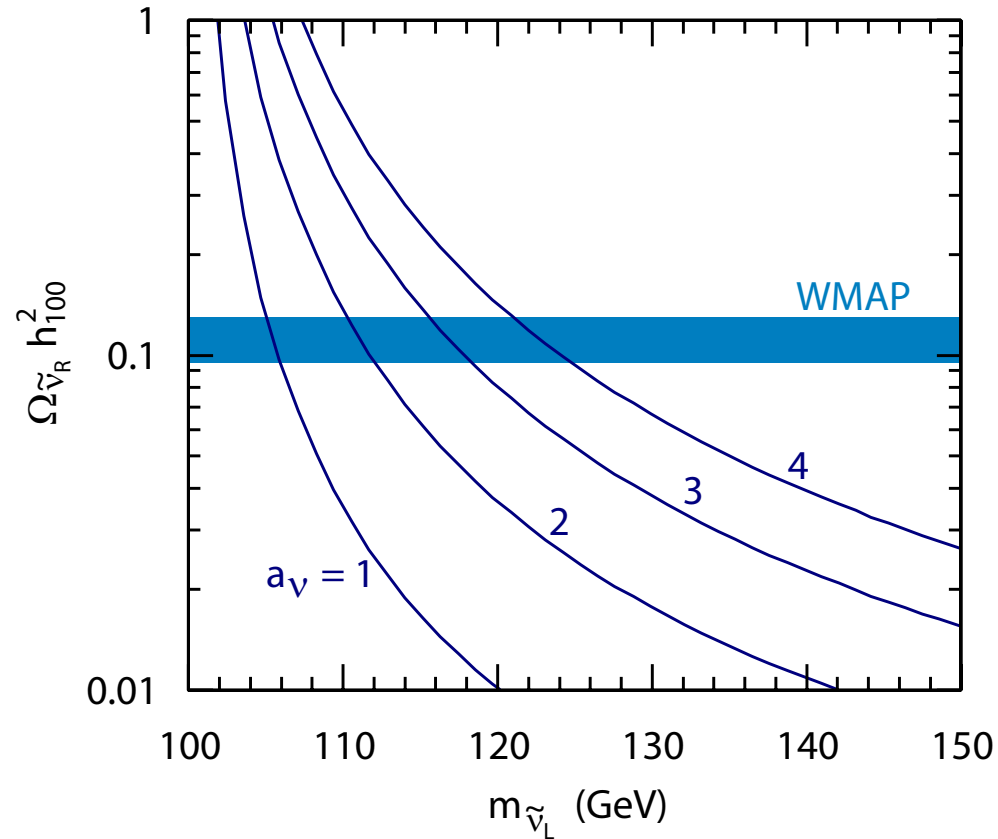
$$\Gamma_{\tilde{W}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R \nu} = \frac{\beta_f^2 g_2^2}{64\pi} \left[\frac{A_\nu v_T}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^2} \right]^2 m_{\tilde{W}}$$

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{W}^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R l^\pm} = \frac{\beta_f^2 g_2^2}{32\pi} \left[\frac{A_\nu v_T}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^2} \right]^2 m_{\tilde{W}}$$

Sneutrino production is enhanced with:

- Large A_ν -parameter
- Degenerate sneutrino masses

Relic density of $\tilde{\nu}_R$ (from MSSM particles in thermal bath)



$$m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} = 100 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{\tilde{W}} = 300 \text{ GeV}$$

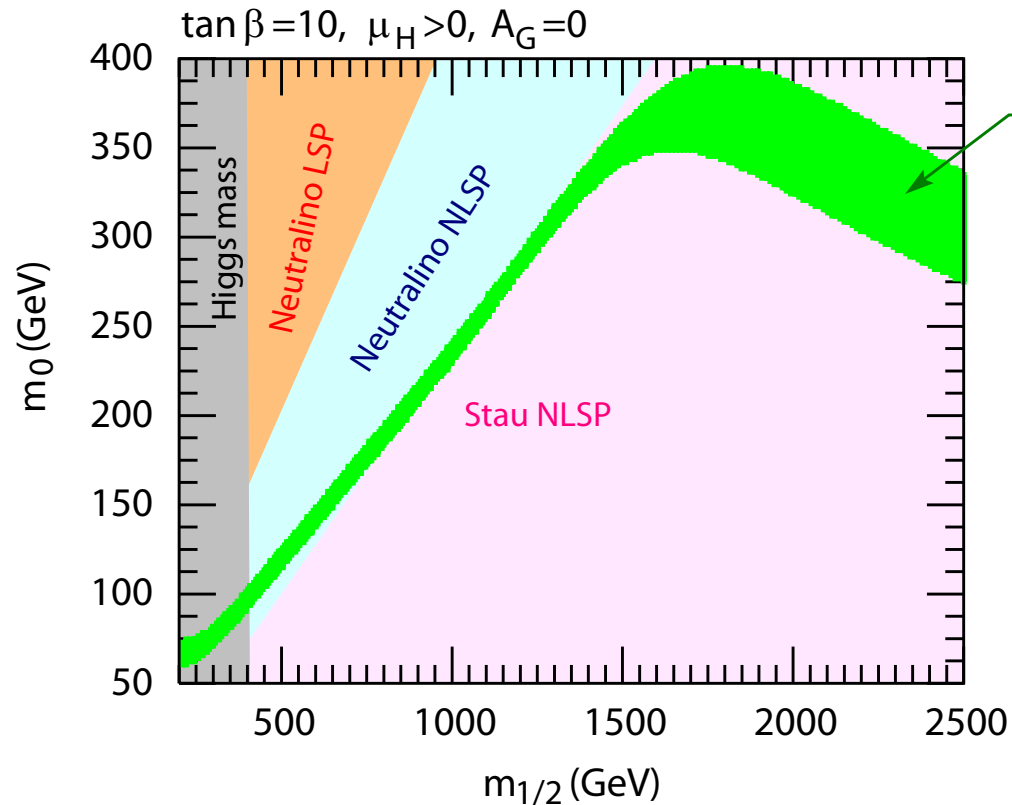
$$A_\nu = a_\nu y_\nu m_{\tilde{l}_L}$$

$\Rightarrow \Omega_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^{(\text{C.E.})} = \Omega_c$ is realized with a mild degeneracy

$\tilde{\nu}_R$ production after the freeze-out of MSSM-LSP

$$\Omega_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^{(F.O.)} \simeq \frac{m_{\tilde{\nu}_R}}{m_{\text{MSSM-LSP}}} \Omega_{\text{MSSM-LSP}}^{(\text{would-be})}$$

CMSSM case: $m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} = m_0$ at the GUT scale



$$\Omega_{\tilde{\nu}_R} = \Omega_{\text{CDM}}^{(\text{WMAP})}$$

$$m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} \simeq m_0$$

Ω_{NLSP} : w/ micrOMEGAS

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^{(F.O.)} = \Omega_c \text{ can be realized}$$

4. BBN Constraints

The MSSM-LSP decays into $\tilde{\nu}_R + X$ with very long lifetime

⇒ Decay products dissociate light elements produced by the BBN reactions, if $\tilde{\nu}_R$ decays after BBN epoch

⇒ The light-element abundances may be significantly affected

Relevant processes:

- Hadrodissociation of ${}^4\text{He}$

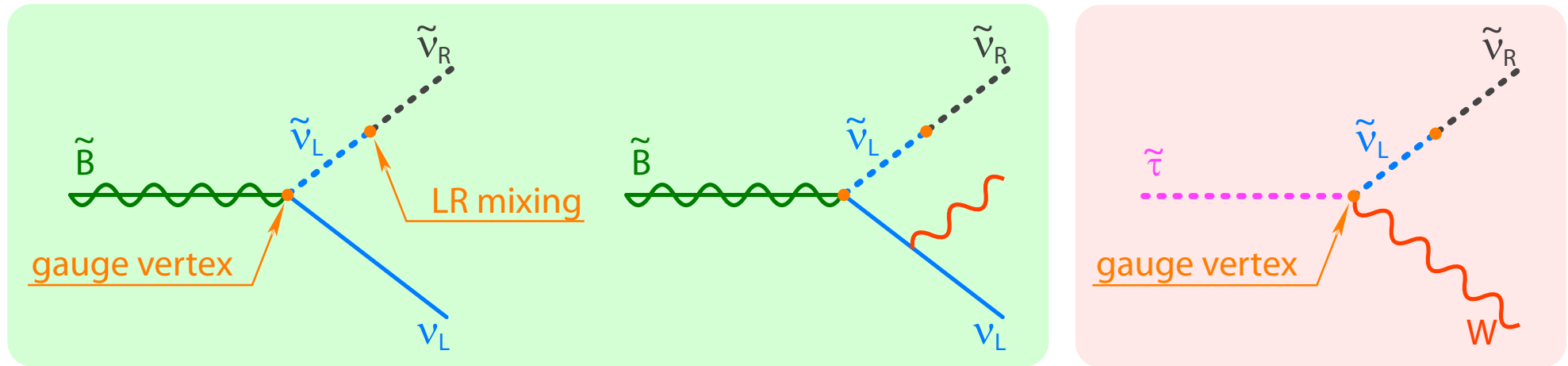
⇒ ${}^4\text{He} + p \rightarrow \text{D} + X$ results in the overproduction of D

- Photodissociation

- $p \leftrightarrow n$ conversion

- $\tilde{\tau}^-$ catalyzed process (if $\tilde{\tau}$ is the MSSM-LSP)

BBN constraints depend on what the MSSM-LSP is



- Lifetime: \tilde{B} -NLSP case:

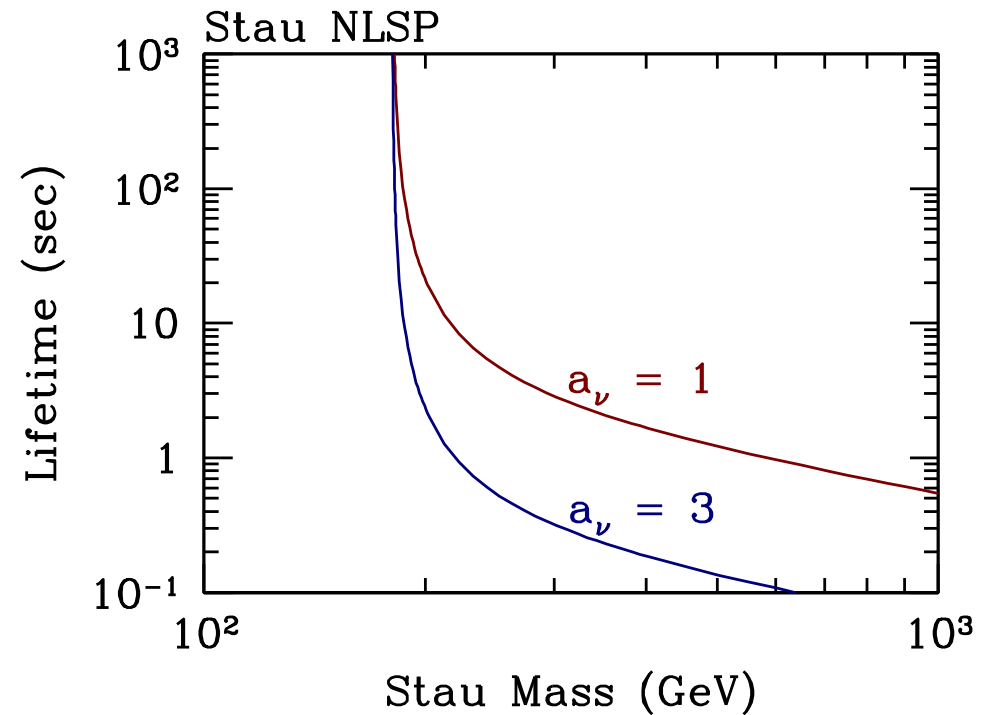
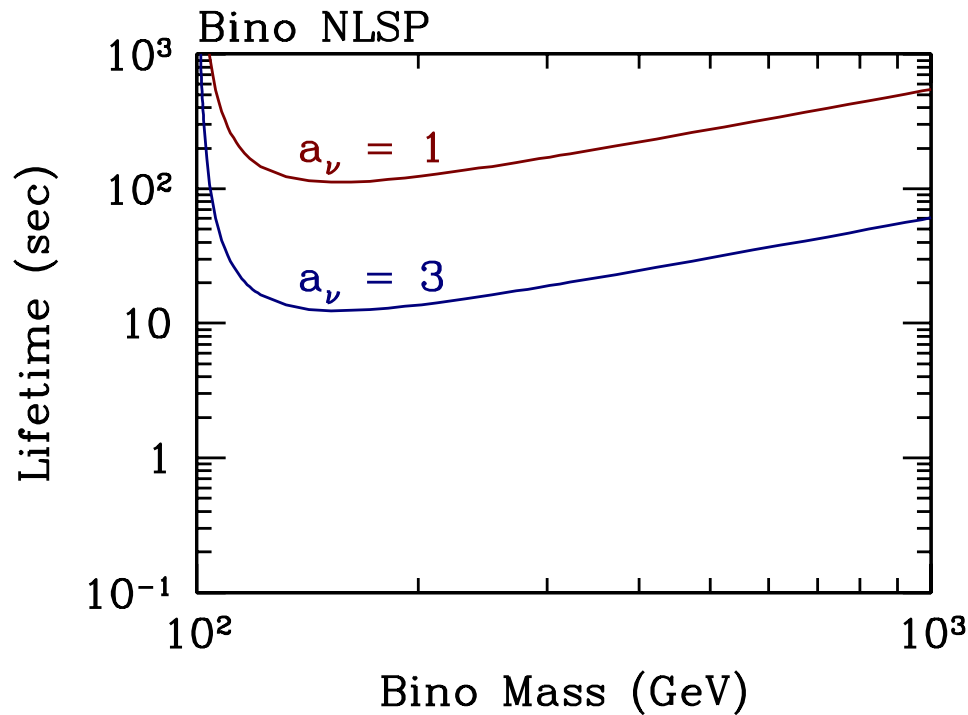
$$\Gamma_{\tilde{B} \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R \bar{\nu}} = \frac{\beta_f^2 g_1^2}{64\pi} \left[\frac{A_\nu v}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^2} \right]^2 m_{\tilde{B}}, \quad B_{\text{had}} \ll 1$$

- Lifetime: $\tilde{\tau}$ -NLSP case (with $m_{\tilde{\tau}} > m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} + m_W$):

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_R W^-} = \frac{\beta_f^3 \sin^2 \theta_{\tilde{\tau}}}{16\pi} \left[\frac{m_{\tilde{\tau}}^2}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\nu}_R}^2} \right]^2 \frac{A_\nu^2}{m_{\tilde{\tau}}}, \quad B_{\text{had}} \sim 1$$

Lifetime of \tilde{B} / $\tilde{\tau}$

⇔ BBN epoch: $\sim 1 - 1000$ sec

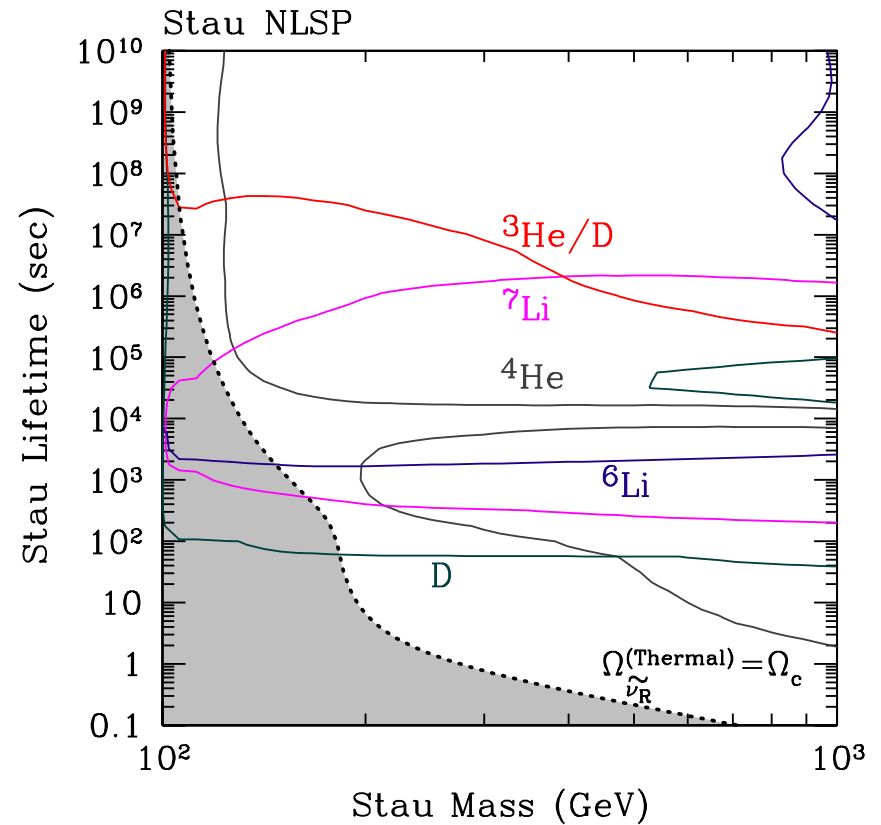
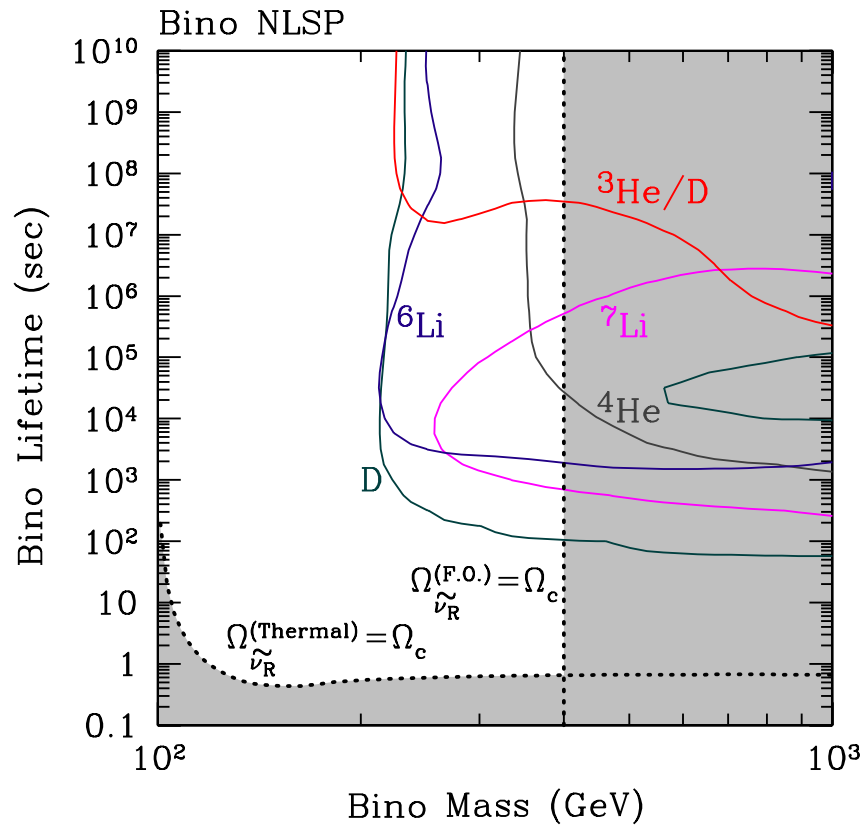


$$m_{\tilde{\nu}_L} = 1.2 m_{\text{MSSM-LSP}}$$

$$\sin \theta_\tau = 0.3 \text{ (for the } \tilde{\tau}\text{-NLSP case)}$$

BBN constraints with $\tilde{\nu}_R$ -LSP (with $m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} = 100$ GeV, ...)

“Typical” relic abundance of the MSSM-LSP is used



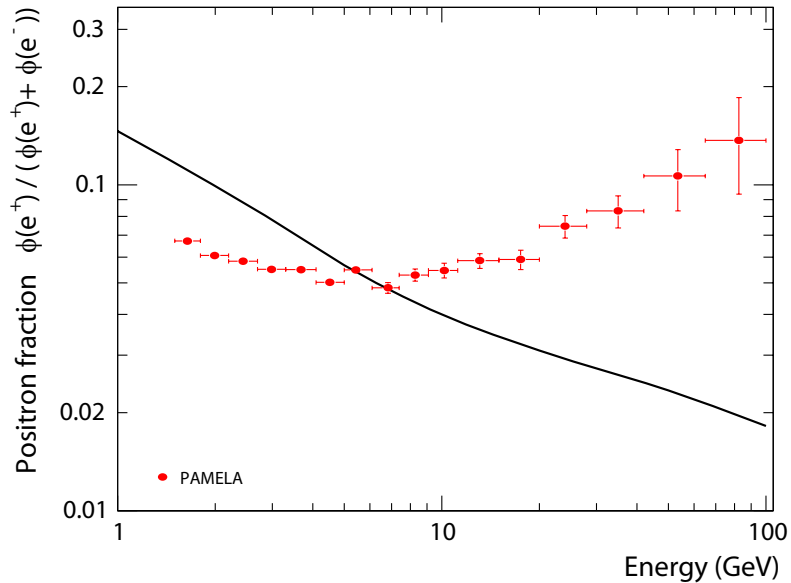
⇒ BBN constraints can be avoided (with $\Omega_{\tilde{\nu}_R} = \Omega_c$)

Notice: $\Gamma_{\tilde{\nu}}$ and $\Omega_{\tilde{\nu}_R}$ are both proportional to A_{ν}^2

5. Implication to PAMELA Anomaly

PAMELA anomaly

⇒ Observed $e^+ / (e^- + e^+)$ ratio is larger than expectation



[PAMELA collaboration]

Possible solutions:

- Decaying dark matter
- Annihilating dark matter
- Pulsar

PAMELA anomaly may be due to the decay of $\tilde{\nu}_R$ -DM

[Ishiwata, Matsumoto & TM; See also Chen & Takahashi]

- $\tilde{\nu}_R$ can be dark matter, because $\tau_{\tilde{\nu}_R} \sim O(10^{26} \text{ sec})$
- $\tilde{\nu}_R$ may decay via a very weak R -parity violation (RPV)

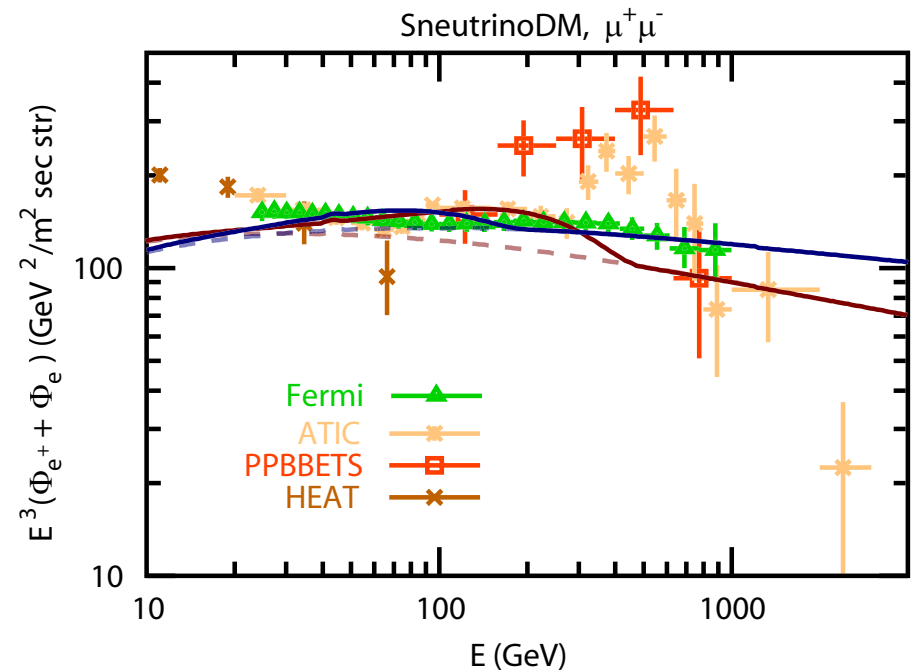
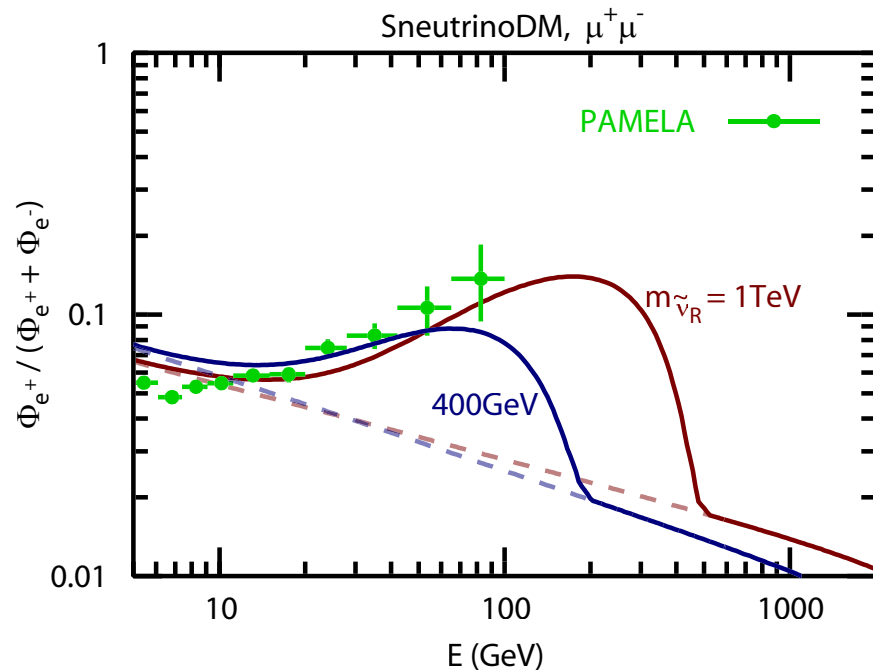
For $\tilde{\nu}_R$ -LSP case, let me introduce:

$$W_{\text{RPV}} = \lambda_{ijk} L_i L_j E_k^c$$

Then, $\tilde{\nu}_R$ decays (using LR mixing):

- $\tilde{\nu}_R \rightarrow l^+ l^-$
 - \Rightarrow Enhancement of positron fraction
- Hadronic branching ratio is negligible
 - \Rightarrow Anti-proton constraint can be avoided

Cosmic-ray fluxes with decaying $\tilde{\nu}_R$ -DM: $\tau_{\tilde{\nu}_R} \sim O(10^{26} \text{ sec})$

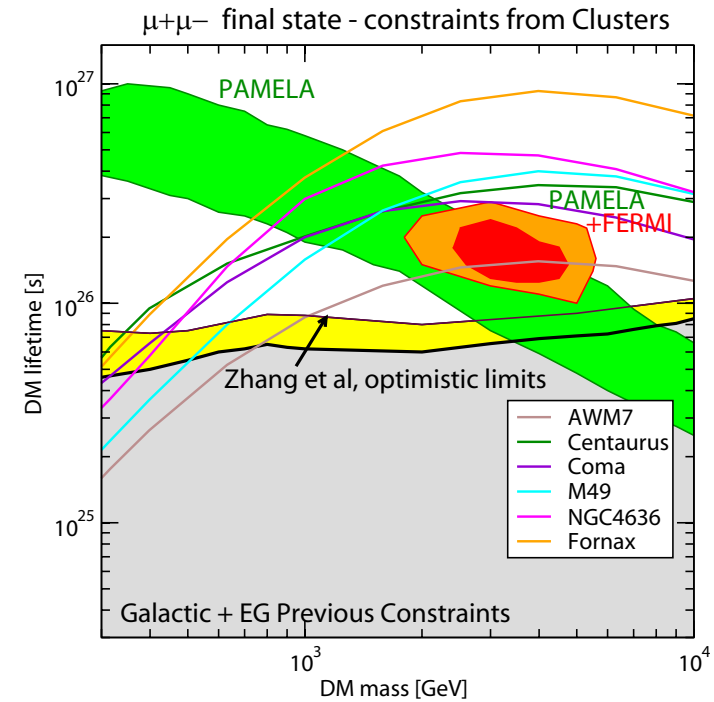
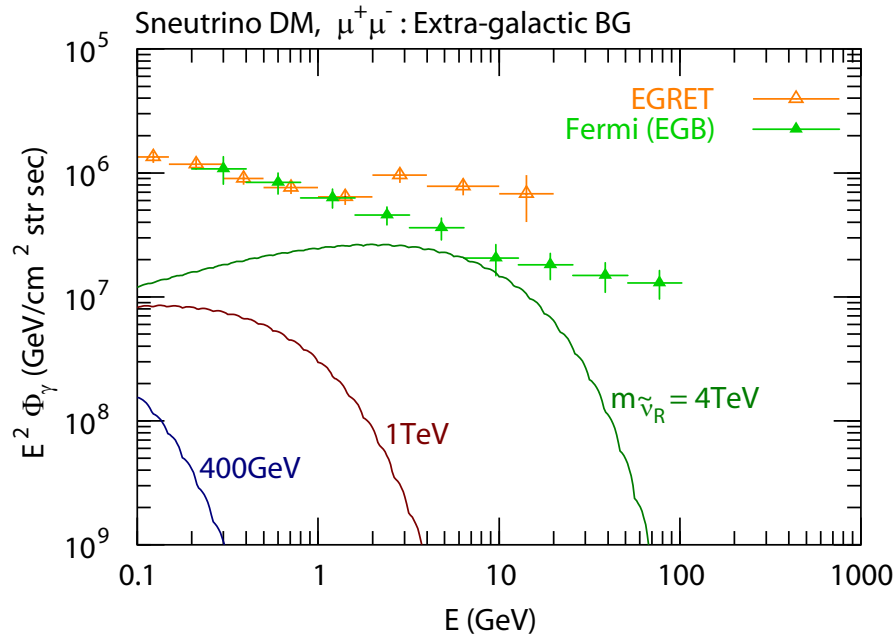


$m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} = 400 \text{ GeV}$ and 1 TeV

BG-parameters and lifetime: best-fit values

$\Rightarrow e^\pm$ fluxes can be consistent with the PAMELA and FERMI results if $300 \text{ GeV} \lesssim m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$

Important check point: γ -ray spectrum



[Left: Ishiwata, Matsumoto & TM; Right: Dugger, Jeltema & Profumo]

$\Rightarrow \gamma$ -ray flux is small enough, if $m_{\tilde{\nu}_R} \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$

6. Summary

I have discussed the possibility of $\tilde{\nu}_R$ -LSP

⇒ Implications to cosmology (dark matter, BBN, ...)

⇒ $\tilde{\nu}_R$ is a viable candidate of dark matter

Rich phenomenology with $\tilde{\nu}_R$ -LSP:

- Baryogenesis (Affleck-Dine mechanism?)

- $\tilde{\nu}_R$ at colliders: MSSM-LSP becomes unstable

 - ⇒ Decay in the detector

 - [Ishiwata, Ito & TM]

 - ⇒ Charged-slepton trapping (if $\tilde{\tau}$ is the MSSM-LSP)

 - [Buchmuller et al.; Feng & Smith; Asai, Hamaguchi & Shirai]

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Back Up

${}^7\text{Li}$ problem:

SBBN value of ${}^7\text{Li}$ abundance may have an inconsistency with observation

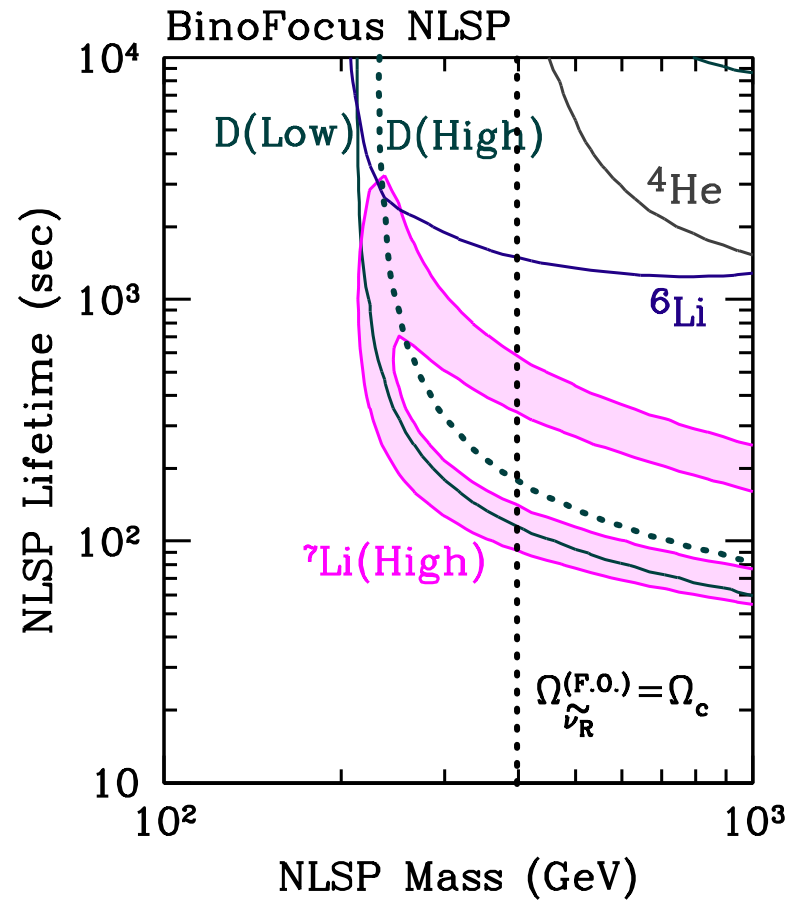
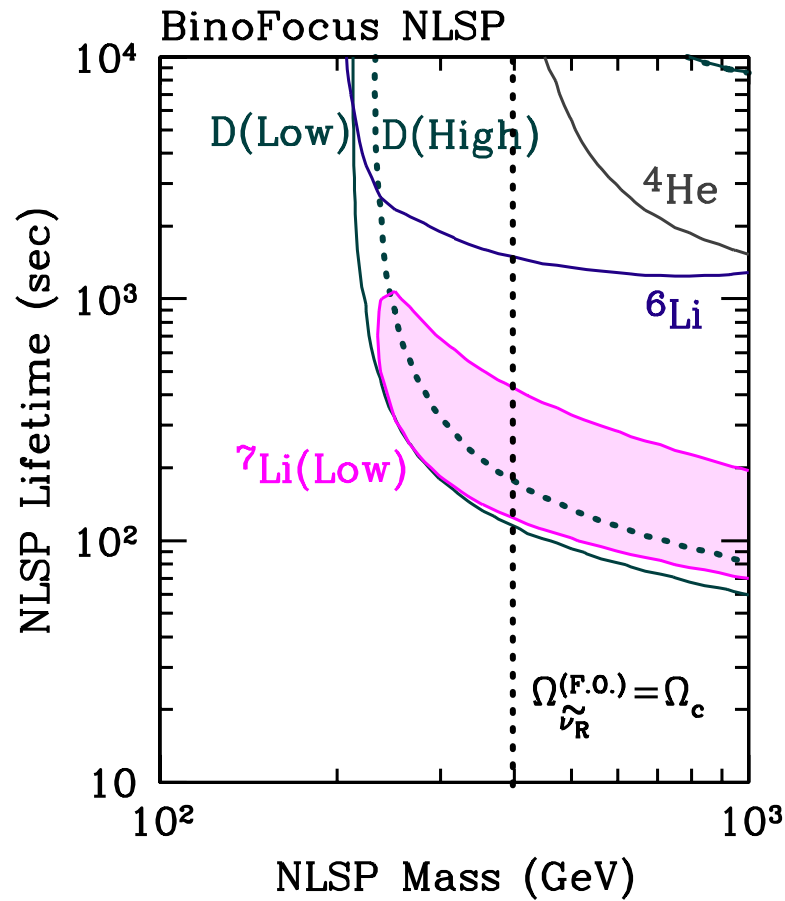
Observational constraints on ${}^7\text{Li}$ abundance

- Low ${}^7\text{Li}$: $\log_{10}(n_{7\text{Li}}/n_{\text{H}})_p = -9.90 \pm 0.09$ (+0.35)
[Bonifacio et al.]
- High ${}^7\text{Li}$: $\log_{10}(n_{7\text{Li}}/n_{\text{H}})_p = -9.63 \pm 0.06$ (+0.35)
[Melendez et al.]

+0.35: systematic error

- This error may be due to depletion in stars or diffusion
- Without this error, the SBBN is inconsistent with observation at $4\text{-}\sigma$ level (with the low value)

With no systematic error in ${}^7\text{Li}$ abundance



[Kawasaki, Kohri, Ishiwata & TM]

⇒ Allowed region shows up without systematic error