

Finally let's consider the cosmological implications of the MSSM. The imposition of R-parity implied that the LSP is stable. Hence it is possible that the relic LSP's left over from the Big Bang could account for most of the matter of the Universe.

Recall the standard cosmology, 3 ingredients are needed

## 1) Einstein equations :

i) Einstein equations :

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = + \frac{8\pi G_N}{c^4} T_{\mu\nu} + \lambda g_{\mu\nu}$$

Newton's constant      cosmological constant

Ricci tensor                  Ricci scalar  
 obtained from Riemann

energy-momentum  
 tensor of matter

2) A metric related to symmetries of physical situation

Homogeneity & isotropy of Universe imply a specific form of The metric

Friedmann-  
Robertson-  
Walker  
models

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - a(t)^2 \left[ \frac{dr^2}{1 - kr^2} + r^2 d\Omega^2 \right]$$

↑  
 Scale factor

where  $k = -1, 0, +1$  describes the spatial curvature.  $k=0$  describes ordinary Euclidean 3-space with "a" giving the overall normalization of physical distances. ( $c=1=k_B$ )

Due to the expansion of the universe  $a=a(t)$  is a function of time with  $\dot{a}/a > 0$  at the present time. The Einstein equation can be solved yielding an equation for "a" the Friedmann eq.

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 + \frac{k}{a^2} = \frac{8\pi G_N}{3} p_{\text{total}} \quad (\text{ignoring } \Lambda)$$

where  $p_{\text{total}} = \text{total energy density}$ . Define the

$$\text{Hubble parameter } H(t) \equiv \frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)}$$

The present value of the Hubble (constant) parameter  $H_0 = H(t_0)$  is

$$H_0 = 73 \pm 3 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s} \cdot \text{Mpc}}$$

The universe is flat ( $k=0$ ) when the energy density equals the critical density  $\rho_c$

$$\rho_c = \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G_N} \left( \approx 10^{-29} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3} \approx 3 \times 10^{-47} \text{GeV}^4 \right)$$

presently

Remark: Often we write  $H_0 \equiv h \cdot 100 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s} \cdot \text{Mpc}}$   
 so that at present  $h \approx 0.73 \pm 0.03$

The present numerical value of  $\rho_c$  is then

$$\rho_c^0 = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G_N} \approx 1.9 \times 10^{-38} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

It is convenient to describe the abundance of a substance in the Universe (matter, radiation or vacuum energy) in units of  $\rho_c$

**density parameter** The  $\Omega_i$  quantity of substance "i" with density  $\rho_i$  is

$$\Omega_i \equiv \frac{\rho_i}{\rho_c}$$

$$\text{and } \Omega = \sum_i \Omega_i = \sum_i \frac{\rho_i}{\rho_c}$$

so that the Friedmann eq. can be written as

$$\Omega - 1 = \frac{k}{H^2 a^2}$$

So sign ( $\rho < \rho_c \Leftrightarrow \Omega < 1$ ,  $k = -1$  open Universe  
 of  $k$  is  $\rho = \rho_c \Leftrightarrow \Omega = 1$ ,  $k = 0$  flat)

determined by  $\Omega$  ( $\rho > \rho_c \Leftrightarrow \Omega > 1$ ,  $k = +1$  closed)

Recall expansion of universe is observed in cosmological redshift of light emitted by distant galaxies. Define redshift parameter  $z$

$$1+z = \frac{\lambda_{\text{observed}}}{\lambda_{\text{emitted}}}$$

for the wavelength of a particular spectral line.

One can derive in the standard FRW model the redshift parameter's relation to the expansion scale factor  $a(t)$

$$1+z = \frac{a(t_{\text{observed}})}{a(t_{\text{emitted}})}$$

3.) Equation of state specifying the physical properties of matter & energy density.

Suppose the equation of state for species  $X$  related the energy density and the pressure according to

$$\rho_X = \alpha_X p_X. \text{ Then we}$$

would find  $\dot{\rho}_X$  would depend on time, and hence  $z$  according to the scaling factor

$$(1+z)^{3(1+\alpha_X)}$$

Recall perfect fluid  $T_{\mu\nu} = (\rho + p)u_\mu u_\nu - p g_{\mu\nu}$   
 So energy-momentum conservation  $T^{\mu\nu}_{;\mu} = 0$   
 implies the rate of change of the total  
 energy in volume element  $V = a^3$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt}(pa^3)$ ,  
 is equal to minus the pressure times  
 the change of volume,  $-p dV$ , that is

$$\frac{d}{dt}(pa^3) = -p \frac{d}{dt}a^3.$$

So if the eq. of state is  $p = \alpha \rho \Rightarrow$

$$\dot{\rho}a^3 = -3(1+\alpha)\rho a^2 \dot{a}$$

$$\frac{\dot{\rho}}{\rho} = -3(1+\alpha)\frac{\dot{a}}{a} = -3(1+\alpha)H$$

So  $\ln \rho = -3(1+\alpha) \ln a + C_{\text{const.}}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\rho = \text{const. } a^{-3(1+\alpha)}}$$

ex. 1) Radiation dominated  $\alpha = \frac{1}{3}$ ;  $\bar{p} = \frac{1}{3}\bar{\rho}$  (pressure is averaged over 3 spatial dim.)  
 $\rho \propto \frac{1}{a^4}$   
 photon energy scales with  $a^{-3}$   
 and is redshifted  $\propto a^{-4}$

2) Matter dominated (non-rel.)  $\alpha = 0$

$$\rho \propto \frac{1}{a^3}$$

matter density scales with volume  $a^3$

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3) Vacuum Energy dominated  $\omega = -1$ ;  $p = -\rho$

$p \propto \text{const.}$

Recall 2 Friedmann eq's:

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 + \frac{k}{a^2} = \frac{8\pi G_N}{3} p_{\text{total}}$$

$$\frac{2\ddot{a}}{a} + \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 + \frac{k}{a^2} = -8\pi G_N p \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Usually use} \\ T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \\ \text{instead} \end{array} \right)$$

Subtract them  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G_N}{3} (\rho + 3p) = -\frac{4\pi G_N}{3} (1+3\omega)\rho$$

$$\text{For small } t \quad a \propto t^\beta \Rightarrow a(t) \propto t^{\frac{2}{3(1+\omega)}}$$

So 1) Radiation dominated.  $a(t) \propto \sqrt{t}$

2) Matter dominated  $a(t) \propto t^{2/3}$ .

3) Vacuum Energy dominated  $a(t) \propto e^{\frac{Ht}{2}}$

Hence we have the density parameters at different times related by their associated redshift

$$\frac{Q_X(t)}{S_{X(t_0)}} = \frac{a(t)^{-3(1+\alpha_X)}}{a(t_0)^{-3(1+\alpha_X)}}$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$Q_X(t) = (1+z)^{3(1+\alpha_X)} Q_X(t_0)$$

Further note for radiation that  $\rho \propto \frac{1}{a^4}$   
 and matter  $\rho \propto \frac{1}{a^3}$ . In either case  
 for early Universe "a" is small so in  
 the Friedmann eq.

$$H^2(t) + \frac{k}{a^2} = \frac{8\pi G_N}{3} \rho$$

one can ignore the  $\frac{k}{a^2}$  term  $\Rightarrow$

$$H^2(t) = \frac{8\pi G_N}{3} \rho$$

$$\text{So for radiation } H = \frac{\dot{a}}{a} = \frac{1}{2t}$$

and the Stefan-Boltzmann Law applies to  
 all relativistic "radiation" ( $m \ll T$ )

$$\rho(T) = \frac{\pi^2}{30} g_{\text{eff}}(T) T^4$$

with  $g_{\text{eff}}(T)$  an effective degeneracy factor counting  
 degrees of freedom for all relativistic  
 particles ( $m \ll T$ ) in thermal equilibrium

For each fermion there is a factor of  $\frac{1}{8}$   
times the number of degrees of freedom due  
to Fermi-Dirac statistics

For example for the SM at  $T_{\text{GeV}} = T$  all  
the particles are relativistic. There are

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{quarks: } 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \times 3^{\substack{\leftarrow \text{spin} \\ \leftarrow \text{color}}} \times \substack{\leftarrow \text{up,down} \\ \nearrow \text{families}} = 36 \\ \text{leptons: } 2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 3 = \frac{9}{45 \times 2} \xrightarrow{\text{antiparticle}} 90 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Gluons: } 8 \times 2^{\substack{\leftarrow \text{color} \\ \leftarrow \text{helicity}}} = 16 \\ W^\pm, Z: 3 \times 3^{\substack{\leftarrow \text{helicity}}} = 9 \\ \gamma: 2 = 2 \\ \text{Higgs: } 1 = \frac{1}{28} \end{array}$$

$$\text{So } g_{\text{eff}} = 28 + \frac{7}{8} \cdot 90 = 106.75 \text{ at } T = T_{\text{GeV}}$$

So we have

$$H = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi G_N}{3}} \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{30}} \sqrt{g_{\text{eff}}(T)} T^2$$

$$= 1.66 \sqrt{g_{\text{eff}}} \frac{T^2}{m_{\text{planck}}}$$

$$T = 0.30 \frac{m_{\text{planck}}}{\sqrt{g_{\text{eff}}}} T^2$$

and from  $H = \frac{1}{2T} \Rightarrow$

Finally

The energy density can be separated into  
3 types

$$\Omega = \Omega_M + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_R \text{ with}$$

$$\Omega_M = \Omega_B + \Omega_{DM} \quad \text{where}$$

$\Omega_\Lambda$  is due to the vacuum energy or cosm. constant  
 $\Omega_R$  is due to radiation energy density  
 $\Omega_B$  is the baryonic matter contribute  
to the energy density

$\Omega_{DM}$  is the non-baryonic, dark matter contribution.

The matter density scales in time as  $(1+z)^3$   
since a constant comoving number density  
causes the physical mass density to be  
diluted with the changing volume.

For large  $z$  radiation will scale as  $(1+z)^4$  but  
for present time we measure  $\Omega_R \sim 10^{-5} - 10^{-4}$ , neglect.

The Cosmo. constant is constant and so does  
not change in time i.e. Scale  $(1+z)^0$ .

Thus we have a general expression for the

expansion rate of the Universe depends on the equations of state of the different species

(Friedmann eq.)

$$\frac{H(z)}{H_0} = \left[ \Omega_\Lambda^0 (1+z)^{3(1+\alpha_\Lambda)} + \Omega_K^0 (1+z)^2 + \Omega_m^0 (1+z)^3 + \Omega_R^0 (1+z)^4 \right]$$

where:

$$\Omega_K^0 = \frac{-k}{a_0^2 H_0^2} \quad \text{and}$$

$\alpha_\Lambda = -1$  for the cosm. constant.

Results of WMAP (Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe)

Age of Universe =  $13.7 \pm 0.2$  Gyr.

Geometry of Universe is flat :  $\Omega_0 = 1$

Dark energy content = 73%

Matter Content = 27%

$$\Omega_B h^2 = 0.0224 \pm 0.0009$$

$$\Omega_{\text{m}} h^2 = 0.135^{+0.008}_{-0.009}$$

and a very low hot dark matter density (relic neutrinos). Hence cold dark matter density

implied.

$$\boxed{\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 = 0.1126^{+0.0161}_{-0.0181}}$$

|| We will see that the LSP neutralino is a good candidate for the CDM in the Universe.

The Boltzmann equation in the FRW model universe governs the number density  $n(t)$  of neutralinos at time  $t$ .

$$\frac{dn(t)}{dt} + 3Hn = -\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{rel.}} [n^2 - n_{\text{eq.}}^2]$$

At thermal equilibrium the number of neutralinos in a comoving volume

$N = a^3 n$  is given by the equilibrium value  $N_{\text{eq}}(T)$

$$n = g \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} f(\vec{p})$$

where  $f(\vec{p}) = \frac{E/T}{e^{E/T} \pm 1}$

where  $E = \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + m^2}$  and - for Bose-Einstein particles and + for Fermi-Dirac particles like the neutrinos and  $g$  = degeneracy.

Note:  $\rho = g \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} E(\vec{p}) f(\vec{p})$

$$\bar{P} = \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{|\vec{p}|^2}{3E(\vec{p})} f(\vec{p})$$

Since  $E^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2 \Rightarrow p dp = E dE$

So

$$d^3 p = 4\pi \sqrt{E^2 - m^2} E dE \text{ after integrating over } d\Omega = 4\pi.$$

Two limits:

1) Non-relativistic:  $m \gg T$

$$n_{NR} = g \left( \frac{mT}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} e^{-m/T}$$

$$P_{NR} = m n_{NR} ; P_{NR} = T \cdot n_{NR} \ll P_{NR}$$

and  $\langle E \rangle = m + \frac{3}{2}T$  [i.e.  $k=1$ ]

2) Ultra-Relativistic:  $T \gg m$

$$P_R = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi^2}{30} g T^4 & \text{Bose-Einstein} \\ \left(\frac{7}{8}\right) \left(\frac{\pi^2}{30} g T^4\right) & \text{Fermi-Dirac.} \end{cases}$$

$$n_R = \begin{cases} \frac{\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} g T^3 & \text{Bose-Einstein} \\ \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} g T^3\right) & \text{Fermi-Dirac} \end{cases}$$

(Recall:  $\zeta(3) = 1.20206\dots$ )

$$\langle E \rangle = P/n = \begin{cases} 2.70 T & \text{B-E} \\ 3.15 T & \text{F-D.} \end{cases}$$

For Photons  $m=0; g=2$   $P_E(T) = \frac{\pi^2}{15} T^4$

The Stefan-Boltzmann law.



This brings us back to the radiation dominated universe where

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G_N}{3} \rho_{\text{rad}} = \frac{8\pi G_N}{3} \frac{\pi^2}{30} g_{\text{eff}} T^4$$

Or  $H = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi G_N}{3} \frac{\pi^2}{30} g_{\text{eff}}} T^2$

If the number density  $n(T)$  is larger than the equilibrium density the particles will annihilate more than they are created. The rate of depletion of neutralinos is

$$\sigma_{N\bar{N} \rightarrow f\bar{f}} |\vec{v}| n^2$$

where  $\sigma_{N\bar{N} \rightarrow f\bar{f}}$  is the annihilation cross-section into  $f, \bar{f}$  SM particles,  $\vec{v}$  is the neutralino's relative velocity and the rate goes like  $n_p$  times  $n_{\bar{N}} = n_N$ , hence  $n^2$ . On the other hand neutralinos are created by the reverse process with a rate proportional to  $n_p^2$ . Hence the rate of change of the number density is

$$\frac{dn}{dt} + 3Hn = - \langle \sigma_{N\bar{N} \rightarrow f\bar{f}} |\vec{v}| \rangle [n^2 - n_{\text{eq}}^2]$$

The LHS is just  $\frac{1}{a^3} \frac{d}{dt} [n a^3]$  so the 3Hn

is just the dilution that comes from the Hubble expansion.  $\langle \sigma_{\text{tot}} v \rangle$  is the thermally averaged cross-section times velocity. The averaging is necessary since the annihilating particles have random thermal velocities & directions. Finally we should sum over all possible annihilation channels to obtain

$$\frac{dn}{dt} + 3Hn = -\langle \sigma_A v \rangle [n^2 - n_{eq}^2]$$

where  $\sigma_A$  is the total annihilation cross-section.

During the early expansion of the universe the neutralino is in equilibrium with the number density of a non-relativistic massive particle ( $g=2$  since it is Majorana)

$$n = T^3 \left( \frac{m}{T} \right)^{3/2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} e^{-M/T}$$

and  $H = \sqrt{\frac{8\pi G_N}{3} \frac{T^2}{30} \sqrt{g_{\text{eff}}}}$

Now in the radiation dominated era  
we have

$$\rho = \frac{\pi^2}{30} g T^4 n a^{-4} \Rightarrow \\ a \sim \frac{1}{T}$$

and so

$$\hat{N} = \frac{n}{T^3} \quad (N = a^3 n \sim \frac{n}{T^3})$$

is the number of neutrinos per unit comoving volume. And we see that in equilibrium

$$\hat{N} = \frac{n}{T^3} = \frac{2}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \left(\frac{m}{T}\right)^{3/2} e^{-m/T}$$

As the universe expands and cools,

The 3 Hm Hubble expansion dominates  
the now too sparse particle annihilation  
and we have flat

$$\frac{1}{n} \frac{dn}{dT} = -3H = -3 \frac{1}{a} \frac{da}{dT}$$

$$\Rightarrow n \sim \frac{1}{a^3} \quad \left( \text{i.e. } \frac{d}{dT}(a^3 n) = 0 \right)$$

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The number density of neutralinos reduces only as the Hubble expansion of space — not an exponential decrease with temperature as in thermal equilibrium. The number of neutralinos is larger than it would be in equilibrium. The neutralinos are said to freeze out at this Number.

$$\hat{N}_{\text{freeze}} = \frac{N(T_{\text{freeze}})}{T_{\text{freeze}}^3} = \frac{2}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \left(\frac{m}{T_{\text{freeze}}}\right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{m}{T_{\text{freeze}}}}$$

where  $\hat{N}_{\text{freeze}}$  remains constant.

To find the freeze out temperature we can estimate the freeze out to occur when the Hubble expansion is equal to the annihilation rate:

$$3Hn_{\text{freeze}} = \langle \sigma_A (\vec{v}) \rangle n_{\text{freeze}}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \sqrt{\frac{8\pi G_N}{3} \frac{T^2}{30}} J_{\text{eff}}(T_{\text{freeze}}) T_{\text{freeze}}^2$$

$$= \langle \sigma_A (\vec{v}) \rangle T_{\text{freeze}}^3 \left(\frac{m}{T_{\text{freeze}}}\right)^{3/2} \frac{2}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{m}{T_{\text{freeze}}}}$$

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⇒

$$e^{\frac{m}{T_F}} = \frac{\zeta \Omega_A(\vec{w}) T_F \left(\frac{m}{T_F}\right)^{3/2} \frac{2}{(2\pi)^{3/2}}}{\sqrt[3]{\frac{(2\pi)^3 G_N}{90}} \sqrt{g_{\text{eff}}(T_F)}}$$

⇒

$$\frac{m}{T_F} = \ln \left[ \frac{\zeta \Omega_A(\vec{w}) m \sqrt[3]{40}}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{G_N g_{\text{eff}}(T_F)}} \sqrt{\frac{m}{T_F}} \right]$$

Solving this equation iteratively typically leads to values of  $\frac{m}{T_F} \approx 20-30$ .

Substituting  $T_F$  into  $\hat{N}_{\text{freeze}}$  we have

$$\hat{N}_F = \sqrt{\frac{(2\pi)^3 G_N}{10}} g_{\text{eff}}(T_F) \left( \frac{1}{\zeta \Omega_A(\vec{w}) m} \right) \frac{m}{T_F}$$

Multiplying by  $T^3$  for  $T < T_F$  and  $m$  for energy density we obtain

$$\rho_N = \left( \frac{(2\pi)^3 G_N}{10} g_{\text{eff}}(T_F) \right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\zeta \Omega_A(\vec{w})} \frac{m}{T_F} T^3$$

Neutralino

$$\text{Recall } p_c^o = \frac{3 h^2}{8\pi G_N} \approx 1.9 \times 10^{-38} h^2 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

So

$$\Omega_N h^2 = \frac{p_N}{p_c^o} h^2 = \frac{p_N}{8.1 \times 10^{-47} G_{\text{e.u}}} \quad \boxed{\text{try m around 200 GeV}}$$

$$\text{Now } G_N = (1.2 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV})^{-2}, \text{ present } T = 2.7 \text{ K} \\ = 2 \times 10^{13} \text{ GeV.}$$

$$\text{Now suppose } T_F \sim \frac{1}{20} \text{ m} \sim 10 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{try m around 200 GeV})$$

Then the # of degrees of freedom are

$$\begin{aligned} \text{quarks } u, d, c, s, b &= (2 \times 3) \times 5 \times 2 = 60 \\ \text{leptons } e, \nu &= (2 \times 3 + 1 \times 3) 2 = 18 \end{aligned}$$

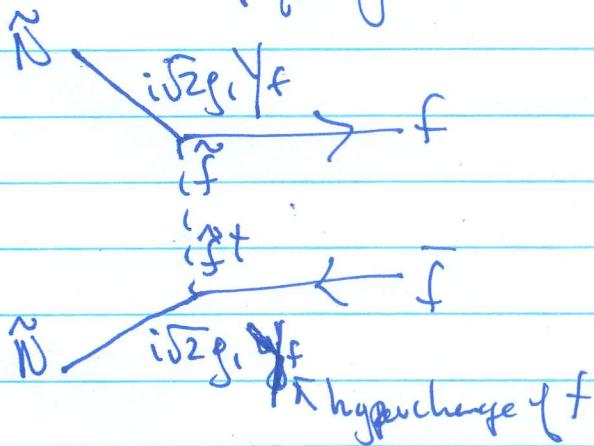
Fermions 78

Bosons 2

$$g_{\text{eff}}(\tau_F) = 2 + \frac{7}{8} 78 \approx 70.3$$

Next consider the annihilation cross-section for neutralinos

The neutralino can be considered mainly a bino  $\tilde{B}$ ,  $\tilde{B} \approx \tilde{B}_1$   
and so it couples through the generalized Yukawa interactions in  $L_Y$  (p.-128-) to yield annihilation into the leptons & quarks (other than top/light)



which gives an amplitude that goes like

$$M \sim \frac{2 g_1^2 Y_f^2}{M_{\text{susy}}^2}; \text{ hence an}$$

annihilation cross-section summed over all fermions coupled to hypcharge

$$\sigma_A \sim 8\pi \alpha^2 \frac{m^2 N_A}{M_{\text{susy}}^4} |\vec{v}|$$

where we ignored  $Y_f^2 \sim 1$  and let the sfermion masses in the propagator all be  $\frac{1}{M_{\text{susy}}}$  and  $\alpha$  is the em fine structure constant.

$N_A$  is the sum over all "light" fermion decay channels

$$N_A = \underbrace{u, d, c, s, b}_{3 \times 5} + \underbrace{e, \mu, \tau}_{3} + \underbrace{\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau}_{3} = 21$$

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and the  $|\vec{\nu}|$  helicity (p-wave) suppression appears since the neutralino is a Majorana fermion (H. Goldberg, Phys. Rev. Lett. 50 (1983), p. 1419).

The thermal average of the non-relativistic neutralinos  $\bar{\nu}^2$  yields

$$\langle \frac{1}{2} m \bar{\nu}^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{2} T_{\text{F}} \text{freeport}$$

So

$$\langle \sigma_A |\vec{\nu}| \rangle = 24\pi \alpha^2 N_A \frac{m}{M_{\text{Susy}}^4} T_F$$

Hence

$$P_N = \left[ \frac{(2\pi)^3 G_F g_{\text{eff}}(T_F)}{10} \right] \frac{1}{24\pi \alpha^2 N_A} \frac{M_{\text{Susy}}^4}{m^2} \left( \frac{m}{T_F} \right)^2$$

Dividing by  $\frac{P_0}{h^2}$  and using  $m/T_F \approx 20$   
we find

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$$\Omega_B^{\sim} h^2 = \frac{P_N}{8.1 \times 10^{-47} \text{ GeV}^4}$$

$$\Omega_B^{\sim} h^2 = 1.65 \times 10^{-6} \left[ \frac{M_{\text{susy}}^4}{m^2} \right] \frac{1}{\text{GeV}^2}$$

⇒ Since WMAP places the bound

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 < 0.129$$

we have

$$\frac{M_{\text{susy}}^4}{m^2} < 0.129 (600 \times 10^3) \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow m > \frac{M_{\text{susy}}^2}{280} \text{ (GeV)}$$

So we see that this is in the right range of masses for the neutralino of  $m \gtrsim 200 \text{ GeV}$  to be a dark matter candidate.

Just as a check consider

$$\frac{m}{T_F} = \ln \left[ \frac{2\pi\alpha' \sqrt{40}}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{G_N g_{eff}(T_F)}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m}{T_F}} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{m}{T_F} \right) + \ln \left[ \frac{24\pi\alpha'^2 N_A \sqrt{40} m^3}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{G_N g_{eff}(T_F)}} \chi_{susy}^4 \right]$$

Try  $\frac{m^3}{M_{susy}^4} \approx \frac{1}{200 GeV} \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{m}{T_F} = -\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m}{T_F} + \ln [1.52 \times 10^{13}]$$

$\approx 30.4$

$\Rightarrow \frac{m}{T_F} \approx 30 \checkmark$