

# Updated view on WIMP DM

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# **(My) Updated view on WIMP DM**

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# Particle dark matter

## Hot dark matter

- relativistic at kinetic decoupling (start of free streaming)
- big structures form first, then fragment

light neutrinos

## Cold dark matter

- non-relativistic at kinetic decoupling
- small structures form first, then merge

neutralinos, axions, WIMPZILLAs, solitons

## Warm dark matter

- semi-relativistic at kinetic decoupling
- smallest structures are erased

sterile neutrinos, gravitinos

# Particle dark matter

## Thermal relics

in thermal equilibrium in the early universe

neutrinos, neutralinos, other WIMPs, ....

## Non-thermal relics

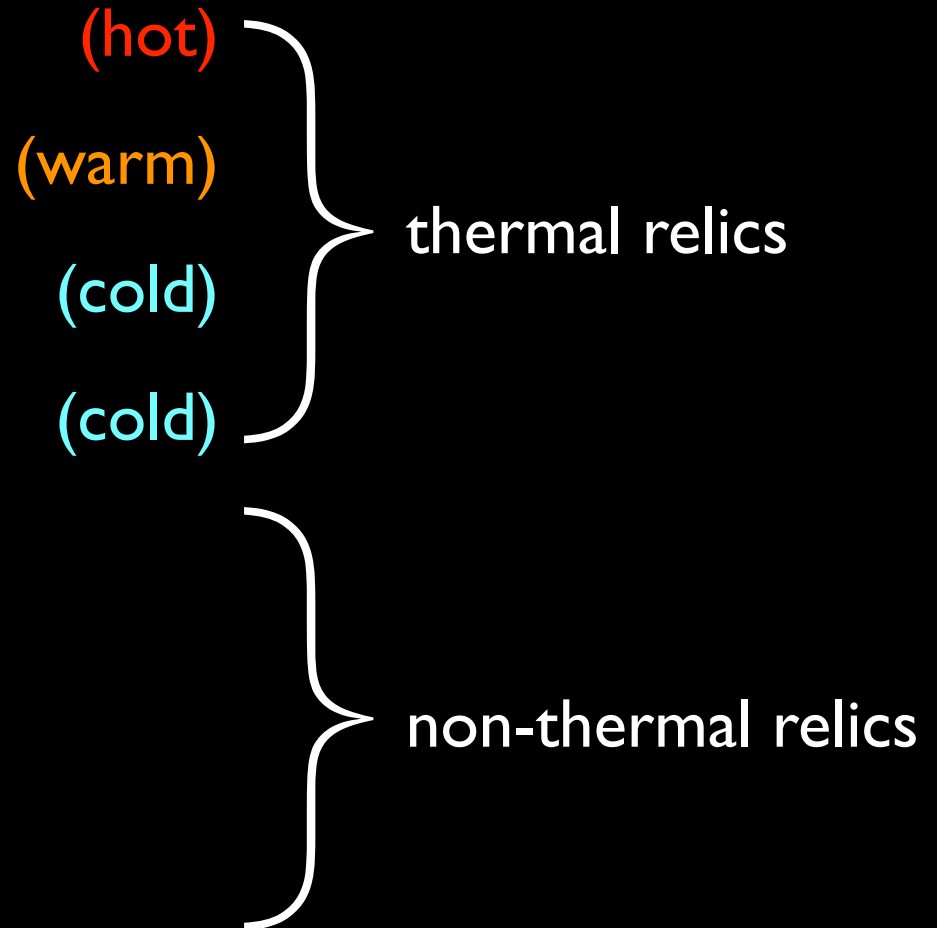
never in thermal equilibrium in the early universe

axions, WIMPZILLAs, solitons, ....



# Particle dark matter

- neutrinos
- sterile neutrinos, gravitinos
- lightest supersymmetric particle
- lightest Kaluza-Klein particle
- Bose-Einstein condensates, axions, axion clusters
- solitons (Q-balls, B-balls, ...)
- supermassive wimpzillas



## Mass range

$10^{-22}$  eV ( $10^{-56}$ g) B.E.C.s  
 $10^{-8} M_{\odot}$  ( $10^{+25}$ g) axion clusters

## Interaction strength range

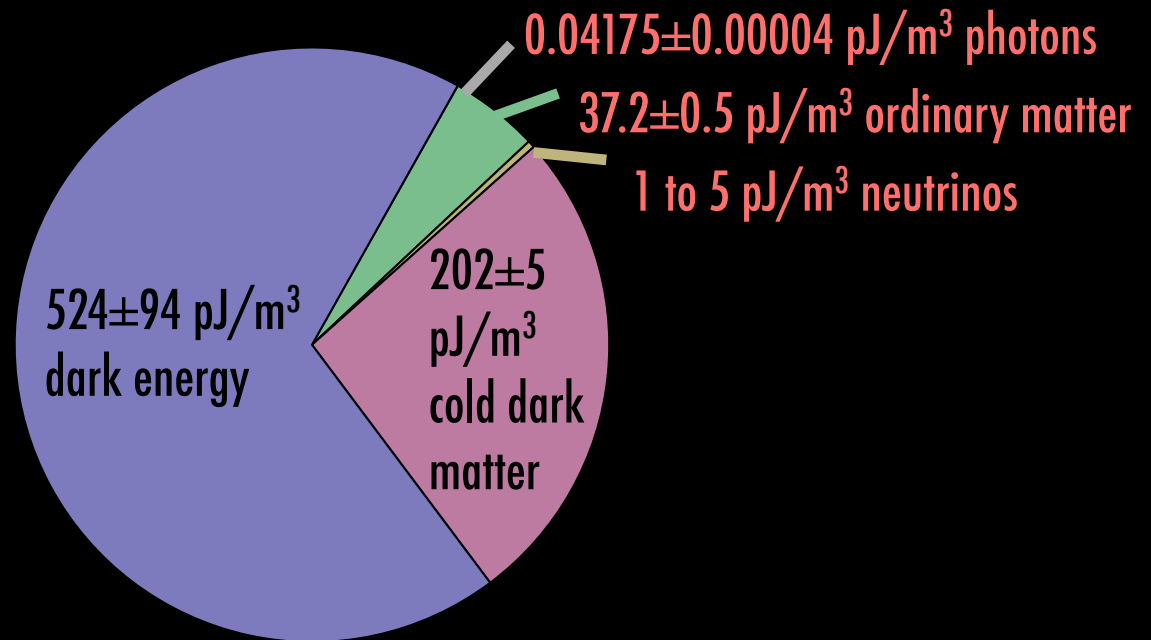
Only gravitational: wimpzillas  
Strongly interacting: B-balls

# The Magnificent WIMP

(Weakly Interacting Massive Particle)

- One naturally obtains the right cosmic density of WIMPs

*Thermal production in hot primordial plasma.*



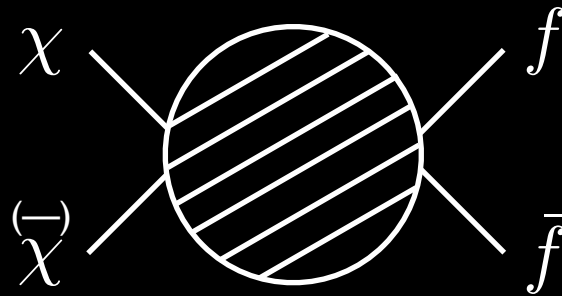
- One can experimentally test the WIMP hypothesis

*The same physical processes that produce the right density of WIMPs make their detection possible*

# Cosmic density of thermal WIMPs

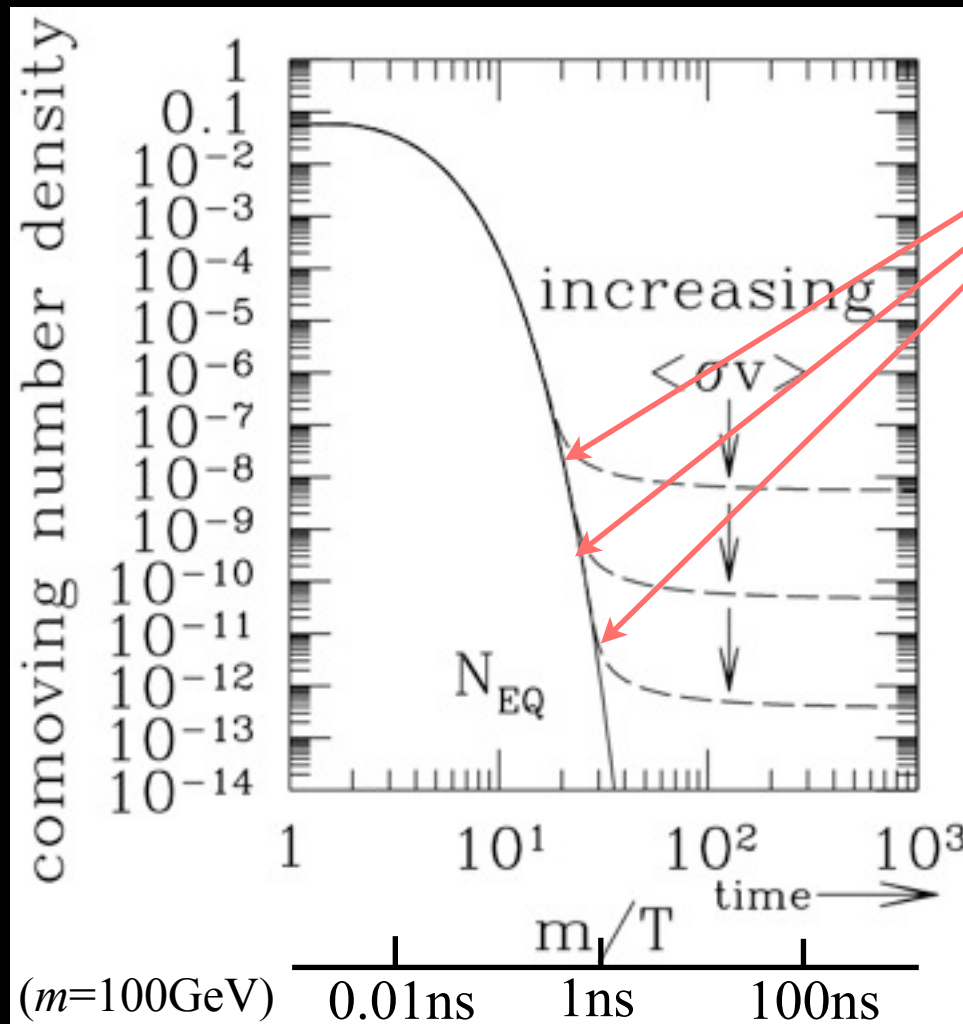
- At early times, WIMPs are produced in  $e^+e^-$ ,  $\mu^+\mu^-$ , etc collisions in the hot primordial soup [*thermal production*].

$$e^+ + e^-, \mu^+ + \mu^-, \text{etc.} \leftrightarrow \chi + \bar{\chi}$$



- WIMP production ceases when the production rate becomes smaller than the Hubble expansion rate [*freeze-out*].
- After freeze-out, there is a constant number of WIMPs in a volume expanding with the universe.

# Cosmic density of thermal WIMPs



freeze-out

$$\Gamma_{\text{ann}} \equiv n \langle \sigma v \rangle \sim H$$

annihilation rate      expansion rate

$$\Omega_{\chi} h^2 \simeq \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{cm}^3/\text{s}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{ann}}}$$

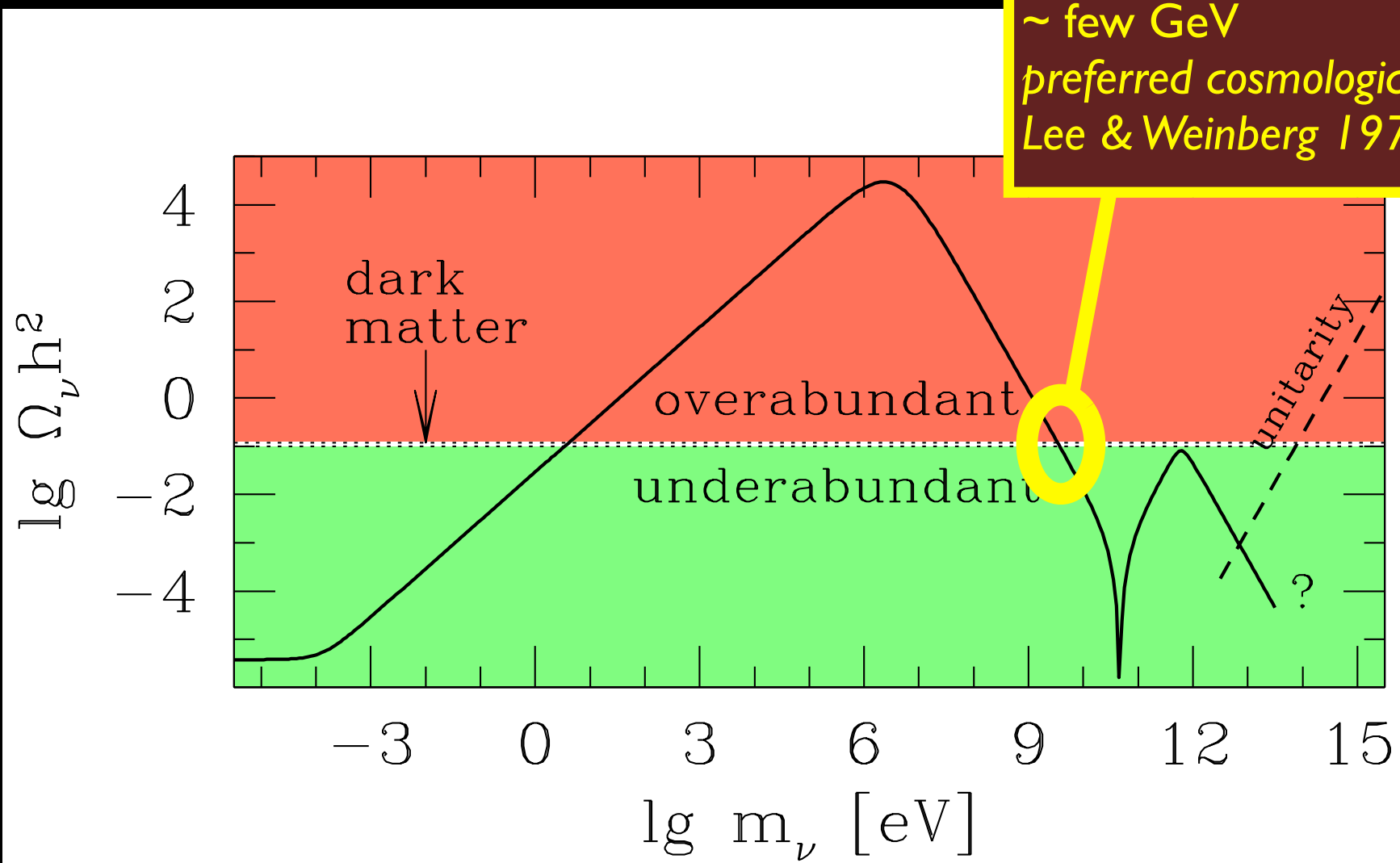
$$\Omega_{\chi} h^2 = \Omega_{\text{cdm}} h^2 \simeq 0.1143$$

for  $\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{ann}} \simeq 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3/\text{s}$

*This is why they are called Weakly Interacting Massive Particles  
(WIMPless candidates are WIMPs!)*

# Cosmic density of thermal WIMPs

Fourth-generation Standard Model neutrino



*~ few GeV  
preferred cosmological mass  
Lee & Weinberg 1977*

# Cosmic density: caveats

- Velocity dependence of cross section
  - p-waves, resonances, Sommerfeld enhancement
- Non-thermal production of dark matter particles
  - from decay of heavy particles
- Non-standard expansion before nucleosynthesis
  - low-temperature reheating, kination

# Cosmic density of thermal WIMPs

- In general,  $\langle\sigma v\rangle$  is a complicated function of the WIMP mass  $m$  and the WIMP velocity  $v$ , including resonances, thresholds, and coannihilations.
- At small  $v$ ,  $\langle\sigma v\rangle$  can be expanded as

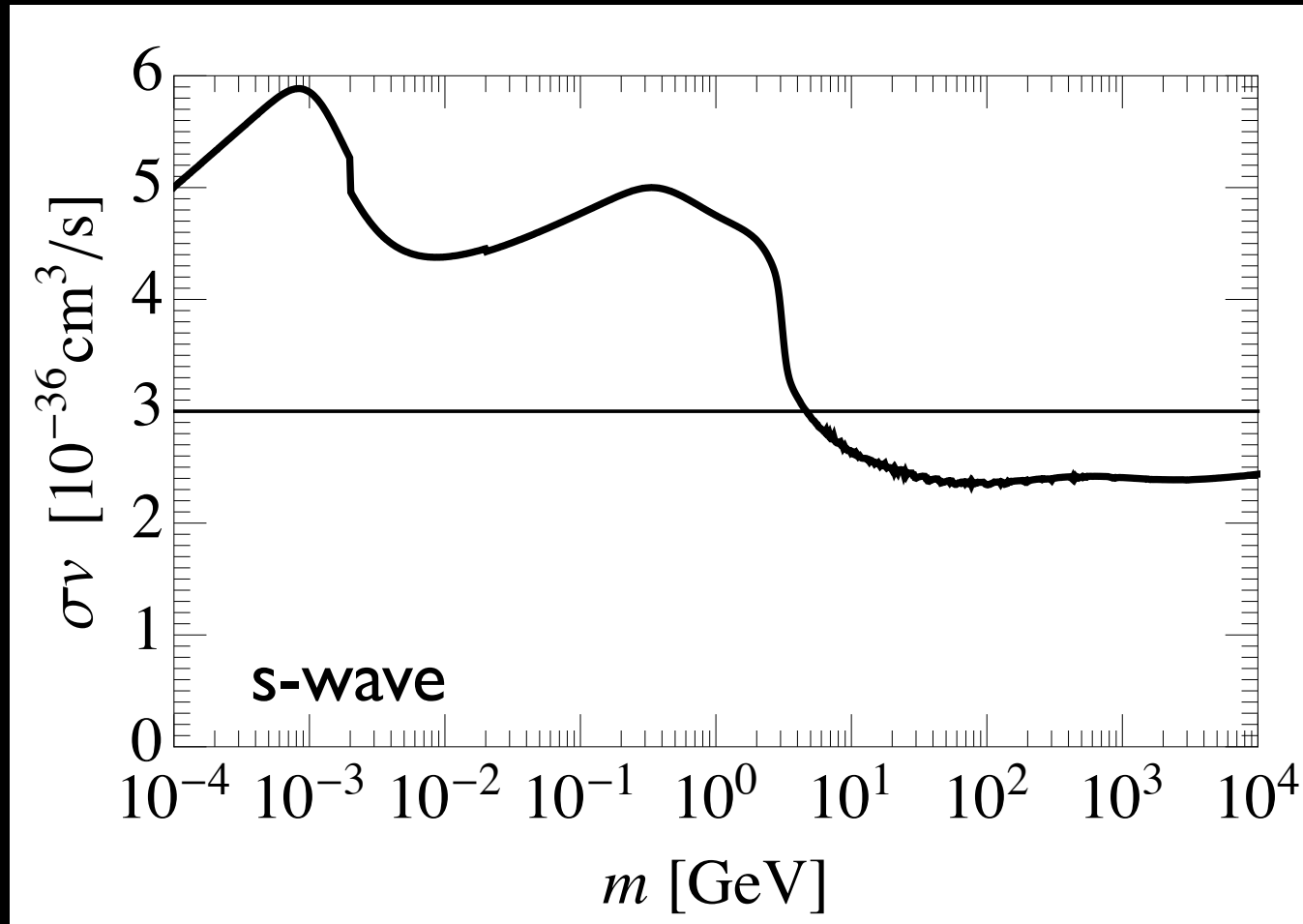
$$\langle\sigma v\rangle = a + bv^2 + \dots \quad \text{s-wave}$$

$$\langle\sigma v\rangle = bv^2 + cv^4 + \dots \quad \text{p-wave}$$

(These expansions are not good near a resonance or threshold.)

# Cosmic density of thermal WIMPs

$\langle\sigma v\rangle=\text{const}$  required for right cosmic density



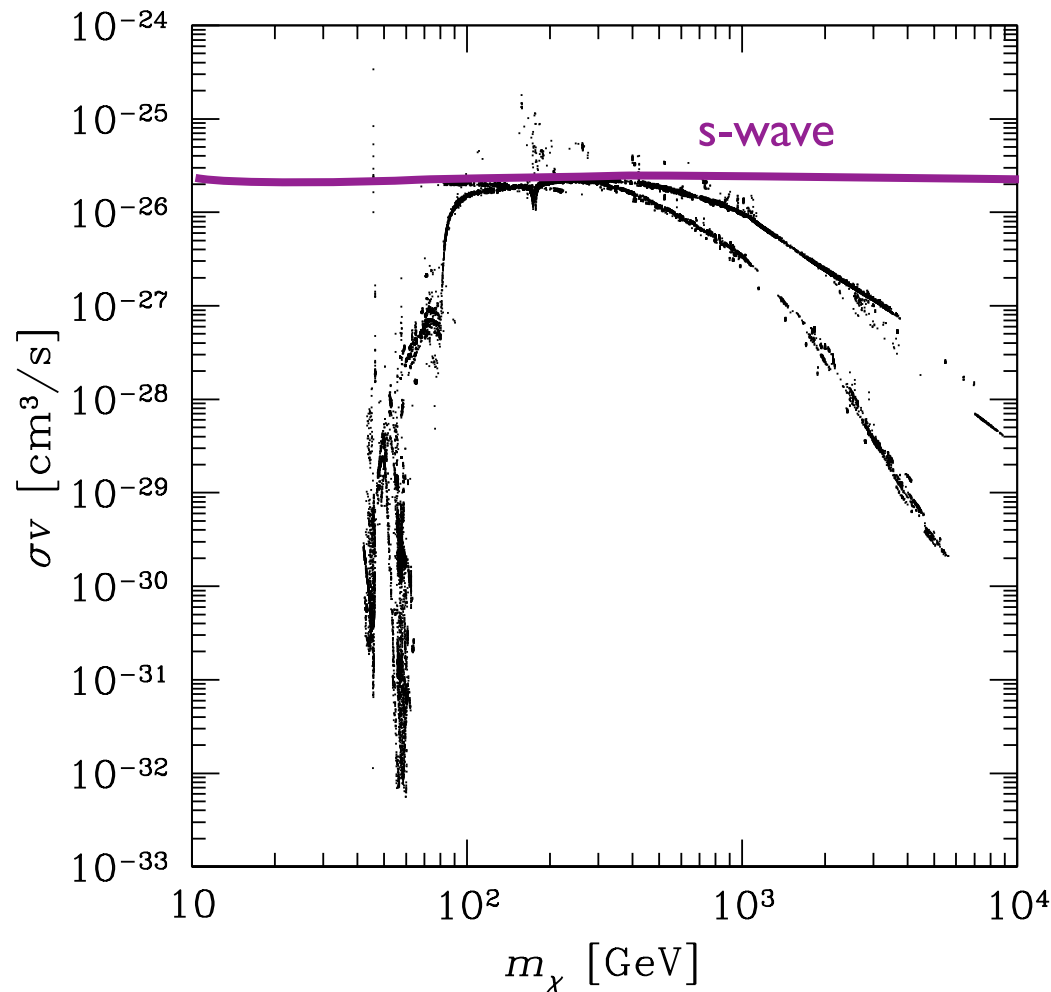
*Steigman, Dasgupta, Beacom 2012*

*Gondolo, Steigman (in prep.)*



# Cosmic density of WIMPs: caveats

$\sigma v$  in galaxies (entering gamma-ray predictions)  
may be different from  $\sigma v \simeq 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$

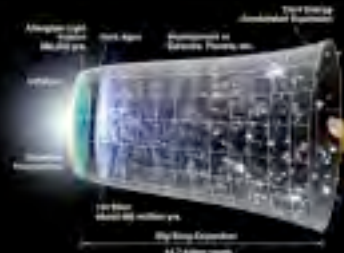


*Example*

lightest neutralino in  
minimal supersymmetric  
standard model

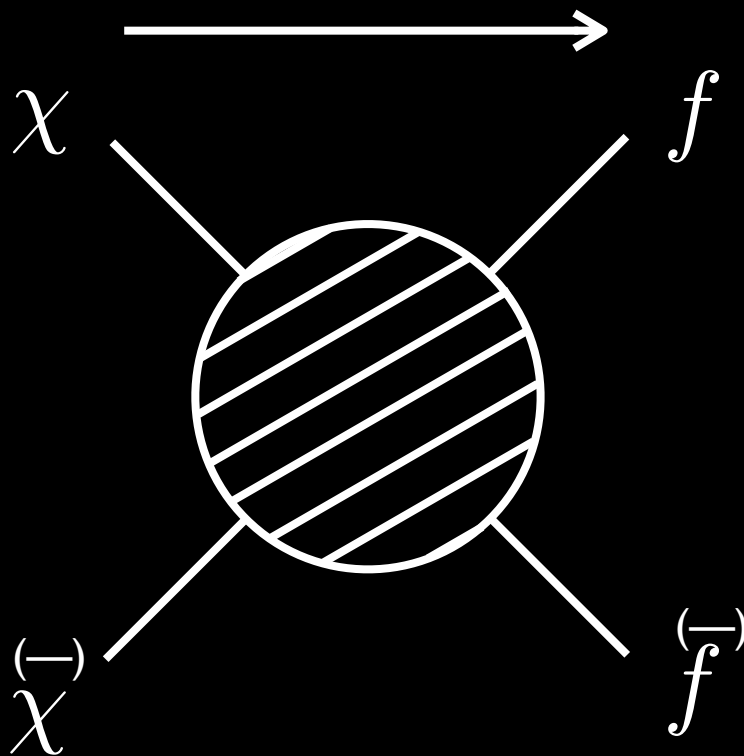
*Resonances, p-waves,  
coannihilations brake simplest  
relation between cosmic density  
and annihilation cross section*

*Indirect detection*

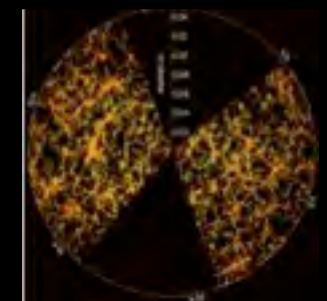


*Cosmic density*

**Annihilation**



*Direct detection*

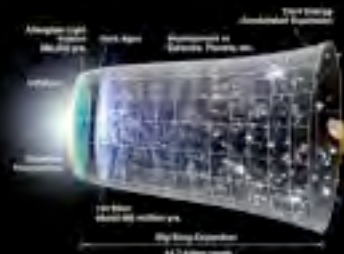


*Large scale structure*

**Scattering**

**Production**

*Colliders*



*Cosmic density*

**The power  
of the WIMP  
hypothesis**

# Minimalist dark matter

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*do not confuse with minimal dark matter*

*“Higgs portal scalar dark matter”*

Gauge singlet scalar field  $S$ , stabilized by  $Z_2$  symmetry ( $S \rightarrow -S$ )

$$\mathcal{L}_S = \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu S \partial_\mu S - \frac{1}{2} \mu_S^2 S^2 - \frac{\lambda_S}{4} S^4 - \lambda_L H^\dagger H S^2$$

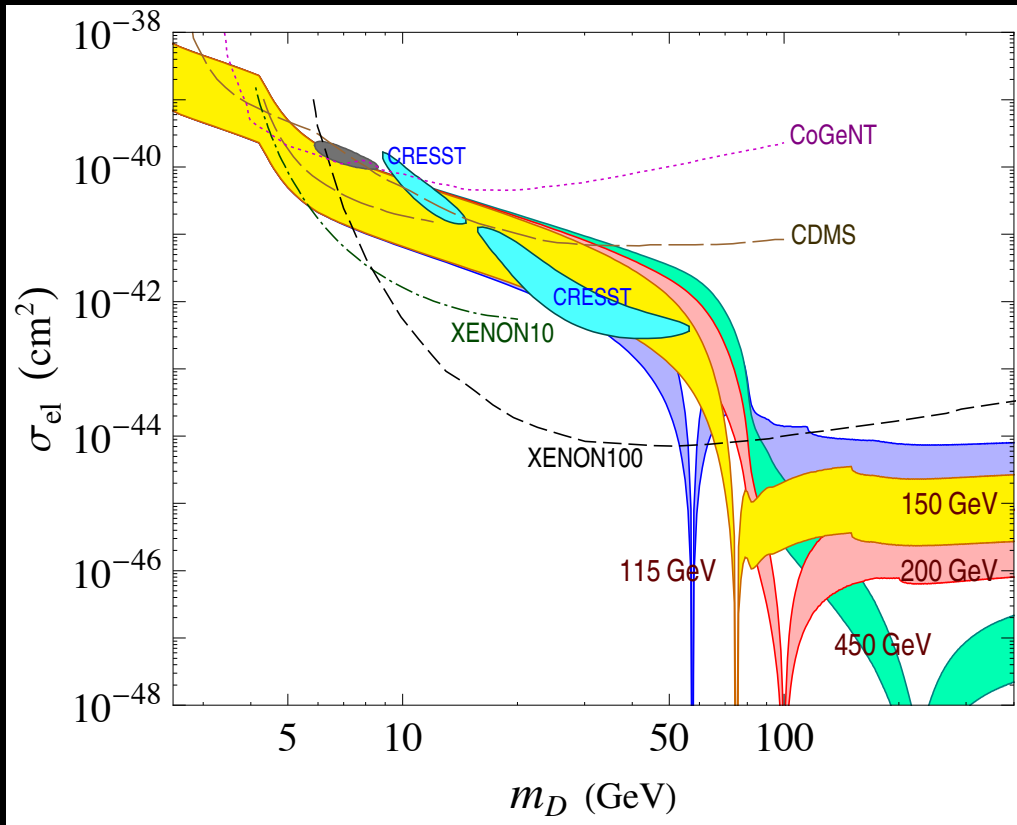
*Silveira, Zee 1985*

*Andreas, Hambye, Tytgat 2008*

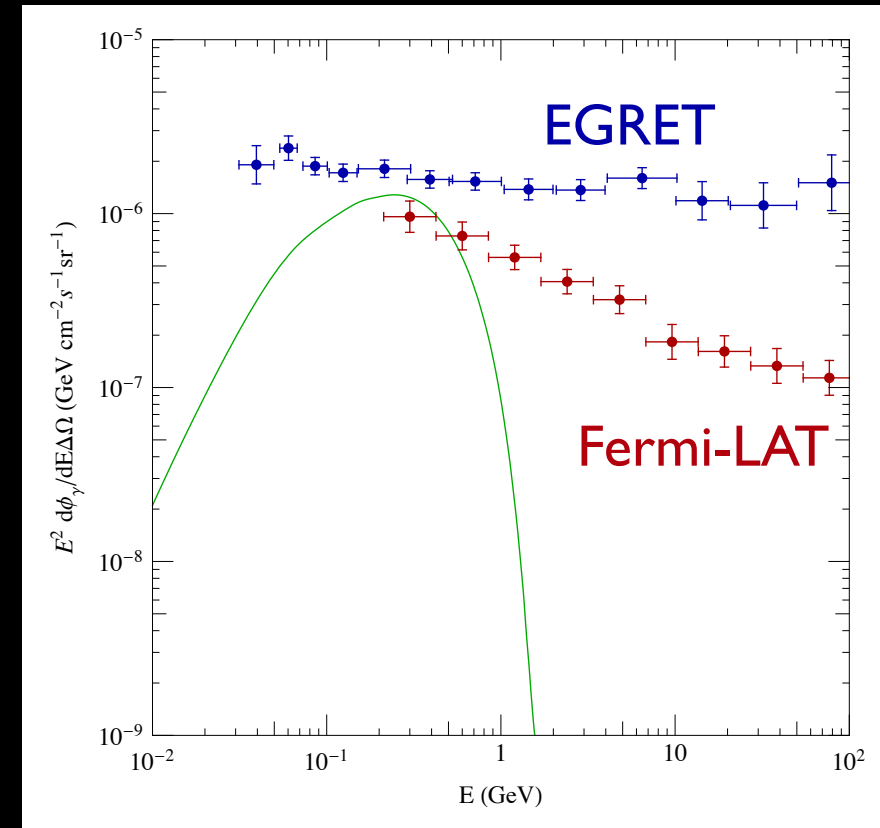
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*Andreas et al 2010; He, Tandeau 2011*



*Arina, Tytgat 2010*



For DM, let Higgs mass  $> 115 \text{ GeV}$ .

If Higgs mass  $< 150 \text{ GeV}$ , Higgs must be 99.2% invisible.

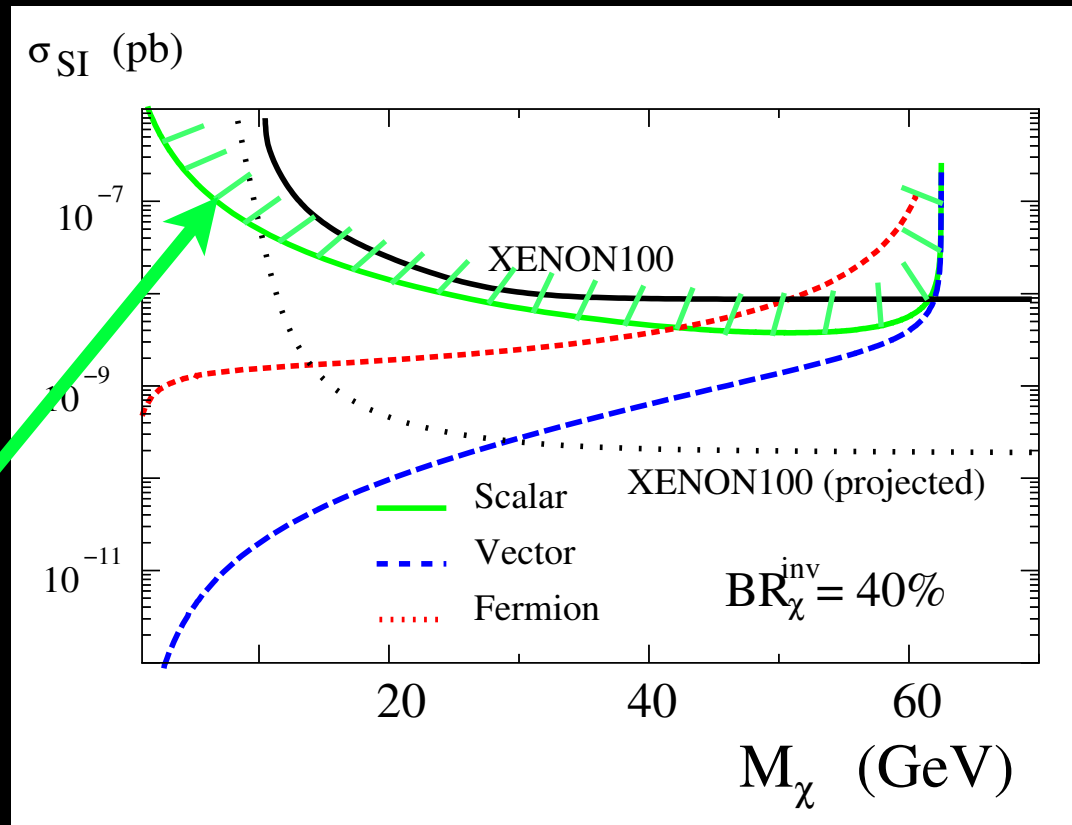
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Constraints from the LHC: a 125 GeV Higgs is not 99.2% invisible

Light  
WIMP  
region

LHC limit

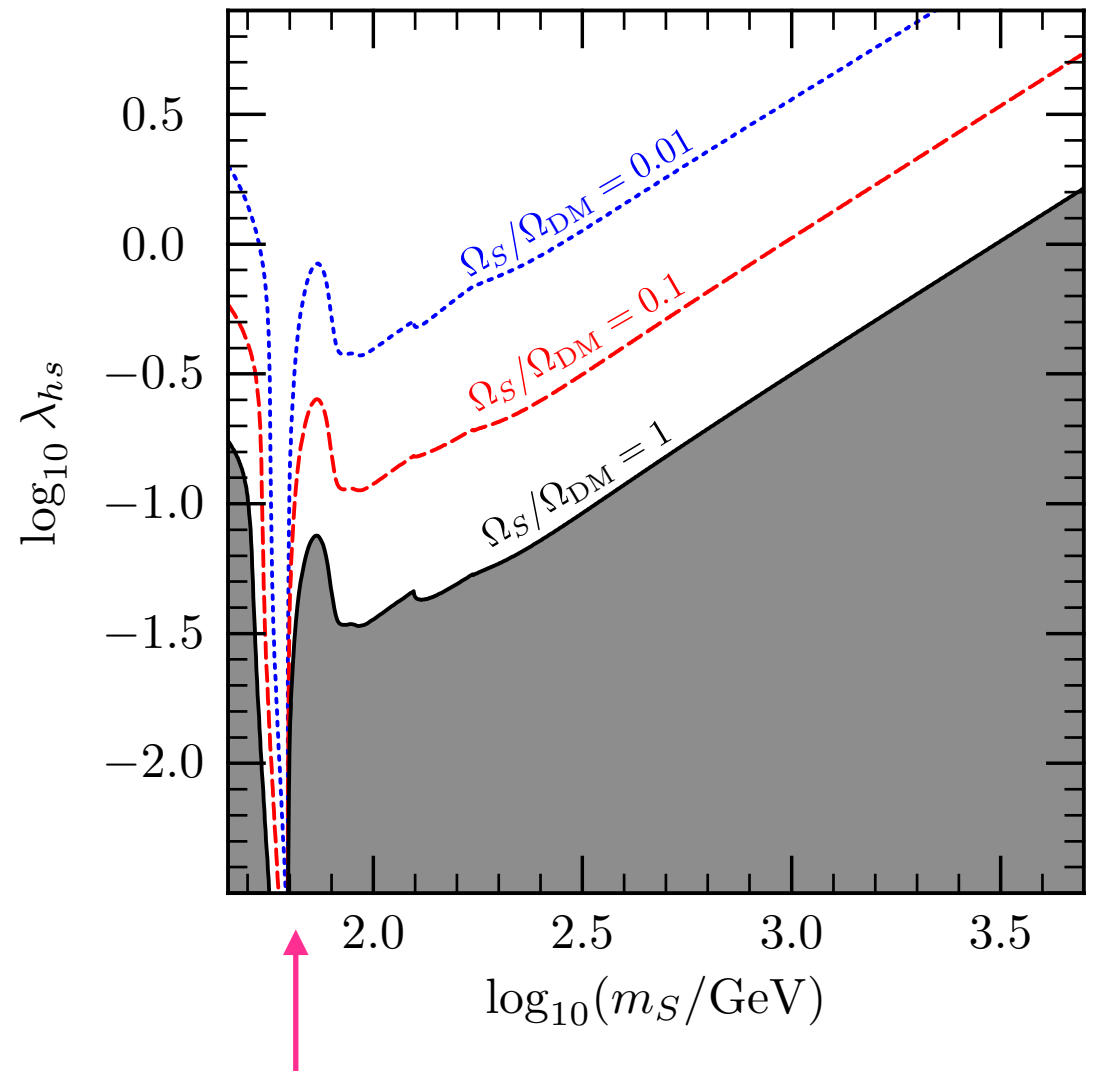


*Djouadi, Falkowski, Mambrini, Quevillon 2012*

# Minimalist dark matter

Cline, Scott, Kainulainen, Weniger 2013

Cosmic density



125 GeV/2=62.5 GeV

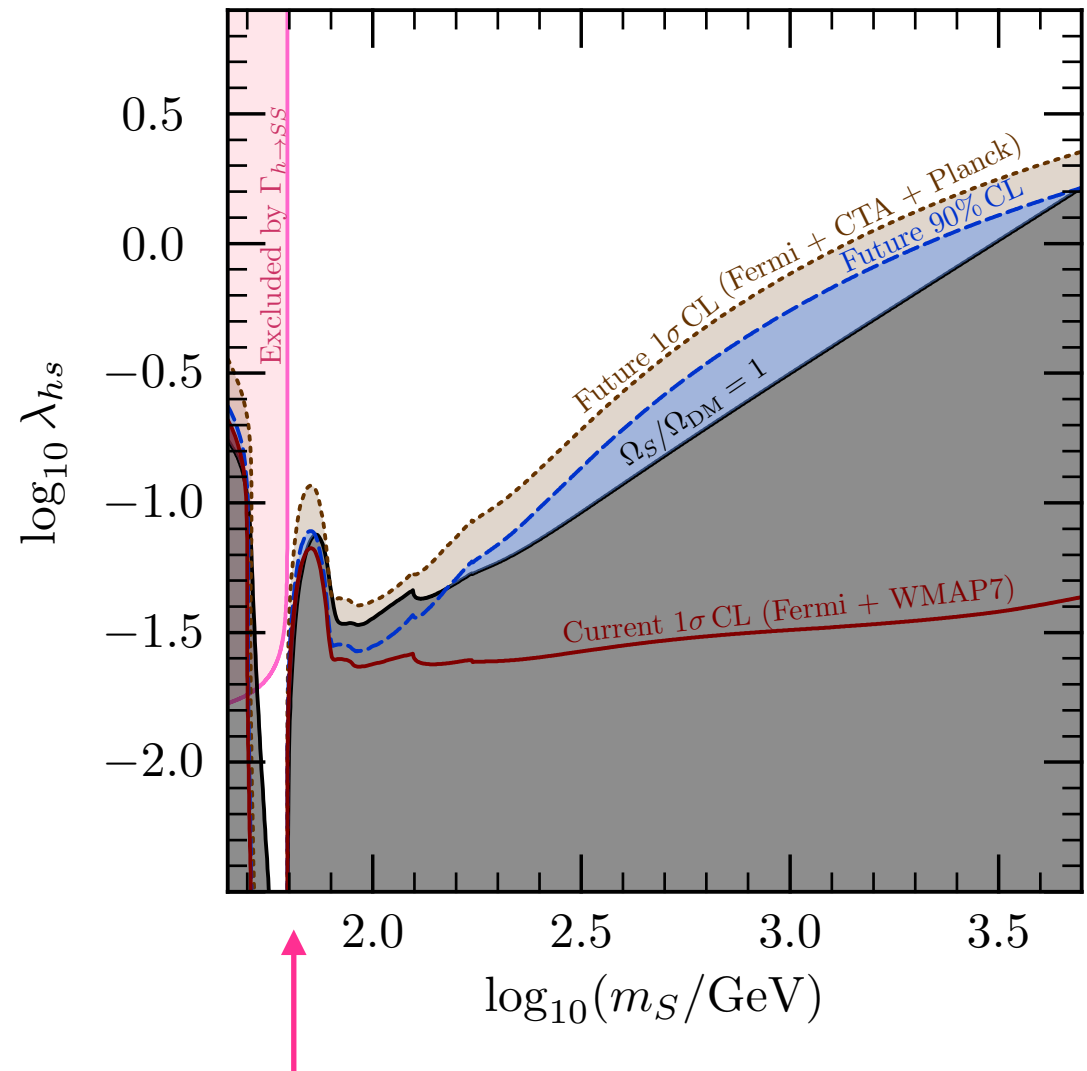
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Cosmic density

Invisible Higgs width

Indirect detection



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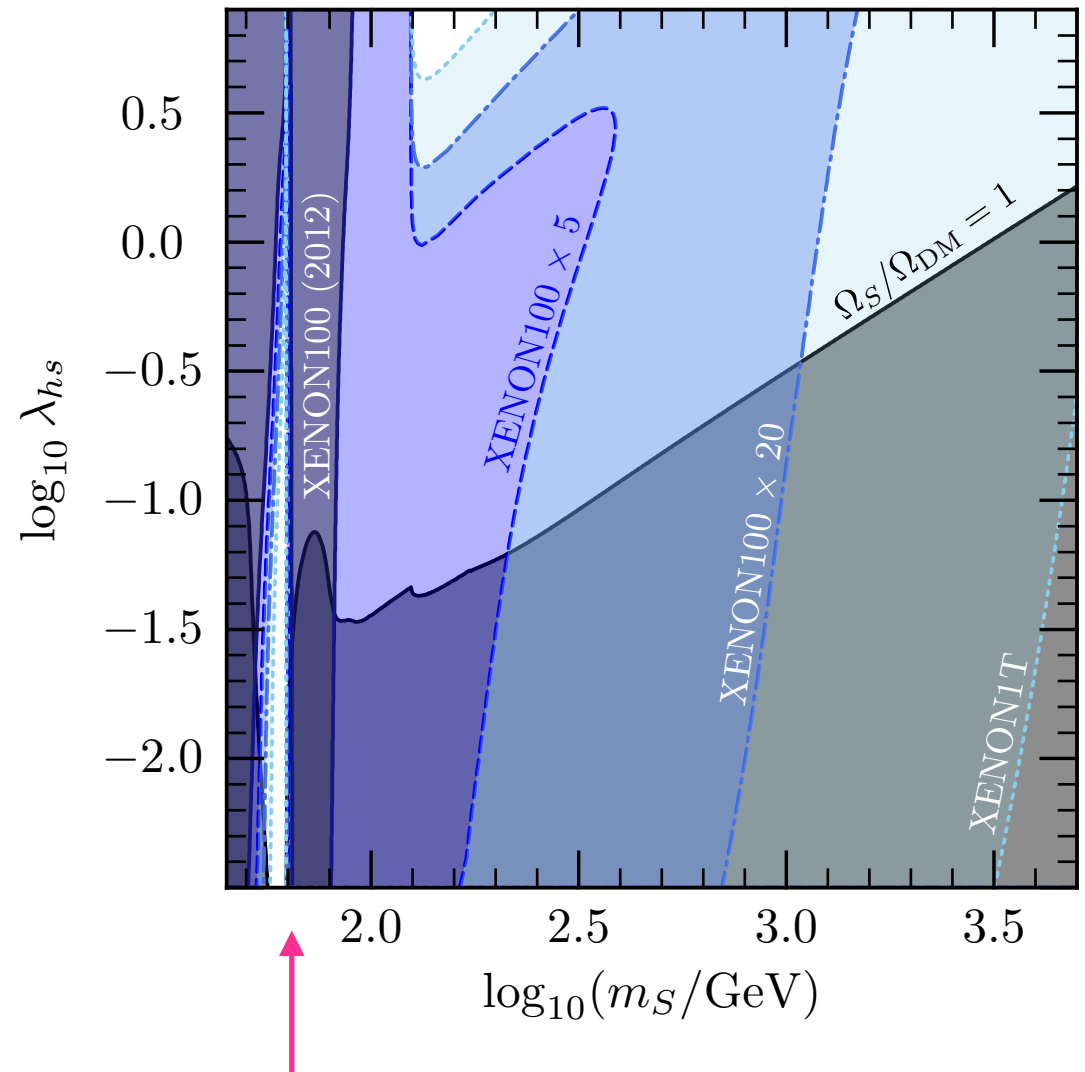
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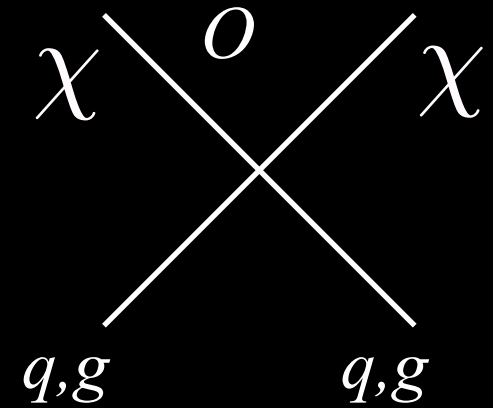
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# Effective operator approach (maverick WIMP)

*For the agnostics and the uncommitted*

# Effective operator approach

*if mediator mass  $\gg$  LHC energy scale*



LHC limits on WIMP-quark and WIMP-gluon interactions are competitive with direct searches

Beltran et al, Agrawal et al., Goodman et al., Bai et al., 2010;  
Goodman et al., Rajaraman et al. Fox et al., 2011; Cheung et al.,  
Fitzpatrick et al., March-Russel et al., Fox et al., 2012.....

***These bounds do not apply to SUSY, etc.***

*Complete theories contain sums of operators  
(interference) and not-so-heavy mediator (Higgs)*

# Effective operator approach

| Name | Operator  | Coefficient        |
|------|---|--------------------|
| D1   | $\bar{\chi}\chi\bar{q}q$  | $m_q/M_*^3$        |
| D2   | $\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}q$                                    | $im_q/M_*^3$       |
| D3   | $\bar{\chi}\chi\bar{q}\gamma^5q$                                    | $im_q/M_*^3$       |
| D4   | $\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}\gamma^5q$                            | $m_q/M_*^3$        |
| D5   | $\bar{\chi}\gamma^\mu\chi\bar{q}\gamma_\mu q$                       | $1/M_*^2$          |
| D6   | $\bar{\chi}\gamma^\mu\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}\gamma_\mu q$               | $1/M_*^2$          |
| D7   | $\bar{\chi}\gamma^\mu\chi\bar{q}\gamma_\mu\gamma^5q$                | $1/M_*^2$          |
| D8   | $\bar{\chi}\gamma^\mu\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}\gamma_\mu\gamma^5q$        | $1/M_*^2$          |
| D9   | $\bar{\chi}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\chi\bar{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}q$              | $1/M_*^2$          |
| D10  | $\bar{\chi}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma^5\chi\bar{q}\sigma_{\alpha\beta}q$ | $i/M_*^2$          |
| D11  | $\bar{\chi}\chi G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$                               | $\alpha_s/4M_*^3$  |
| D12  | $\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$                       | $i\alpha_s/4M_*^3$ |
| D13  | $\bar{\chi}\chi G_{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$                       | $i\alpha_s/4M_*^3$ |
| D14  | $\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi G_{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$               | $\alpha_s/4M_*^3$  |

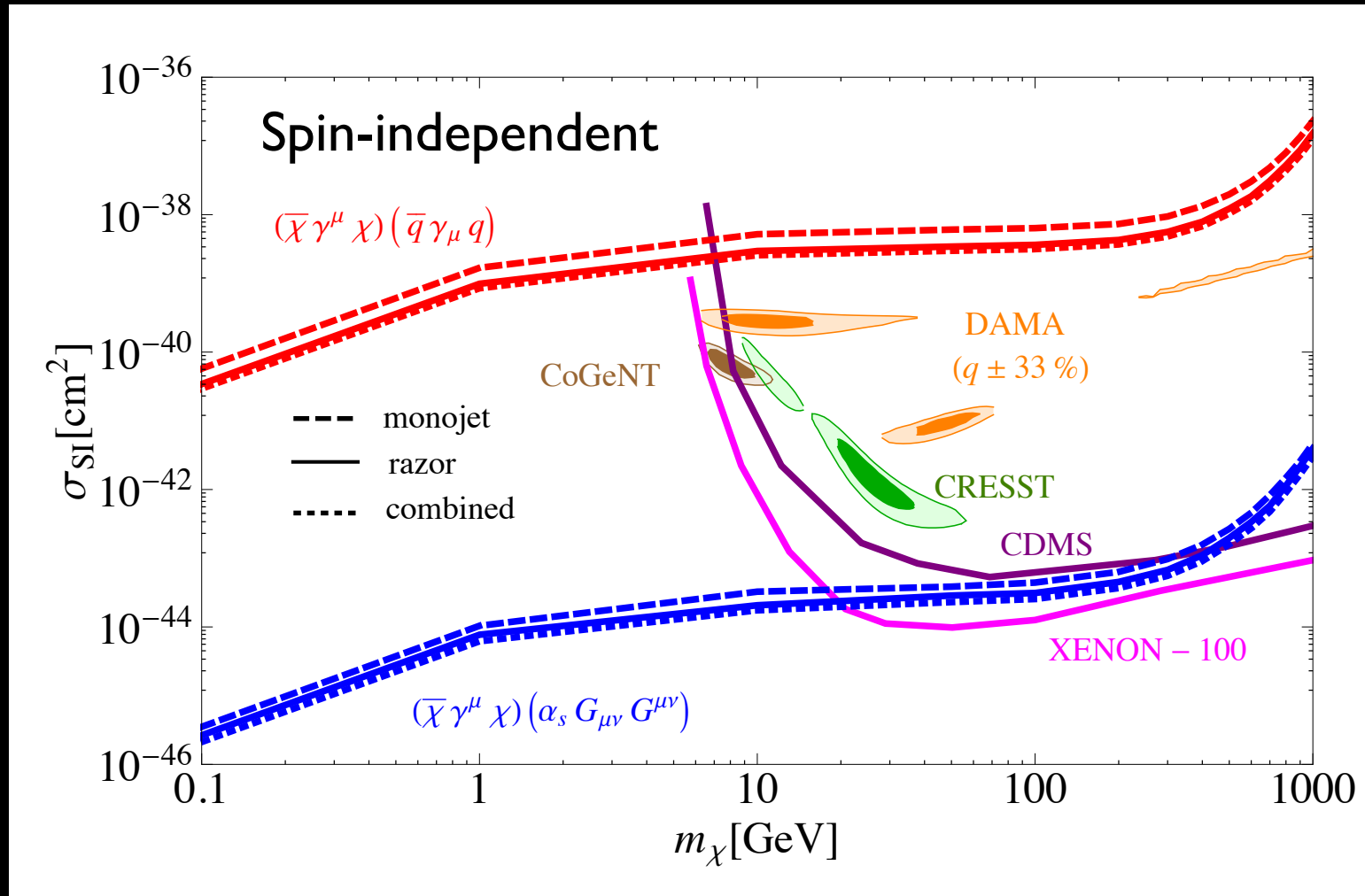
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| C3   | $\chi^\dagger\partial_\mu\chi\bar{q}\gamma^\mu q$        | $1/M_*^2$          |
| C4   | $\chi^\dagger\partial_\mu\chi\bar{q}\gamma^\mu\gamma^5q$ | $1/M_*^2$          |
| C5   | $\chi^\dagger\chi G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$                  | $\alpha_s/4M_*^2$  |
| C6   | $\chi^\dagger\chi G_{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$          | $i\alpha_s/4M_*^2$ |
| R1   | $\chi^2\bar{q}q$   | $m_q/2M_*^2$       |
| R2   | $\chi^2\bar{q}\gamma^5q$                                 | $im_q/2M_*^2$      |
| R3   | $\chi^2 G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$                            | $\alpha_s/8M_*^2$  |
| R4   | $\chi^2 G_{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$                    | $i\alpha_s/8M_*^2$ |

Table of effective operators relevant for the collider/direct detection connection

*Goodman, Ibe, Rajaraman, Shepherd, Tait, Yu 2010*

# Constraints on scattering cross section

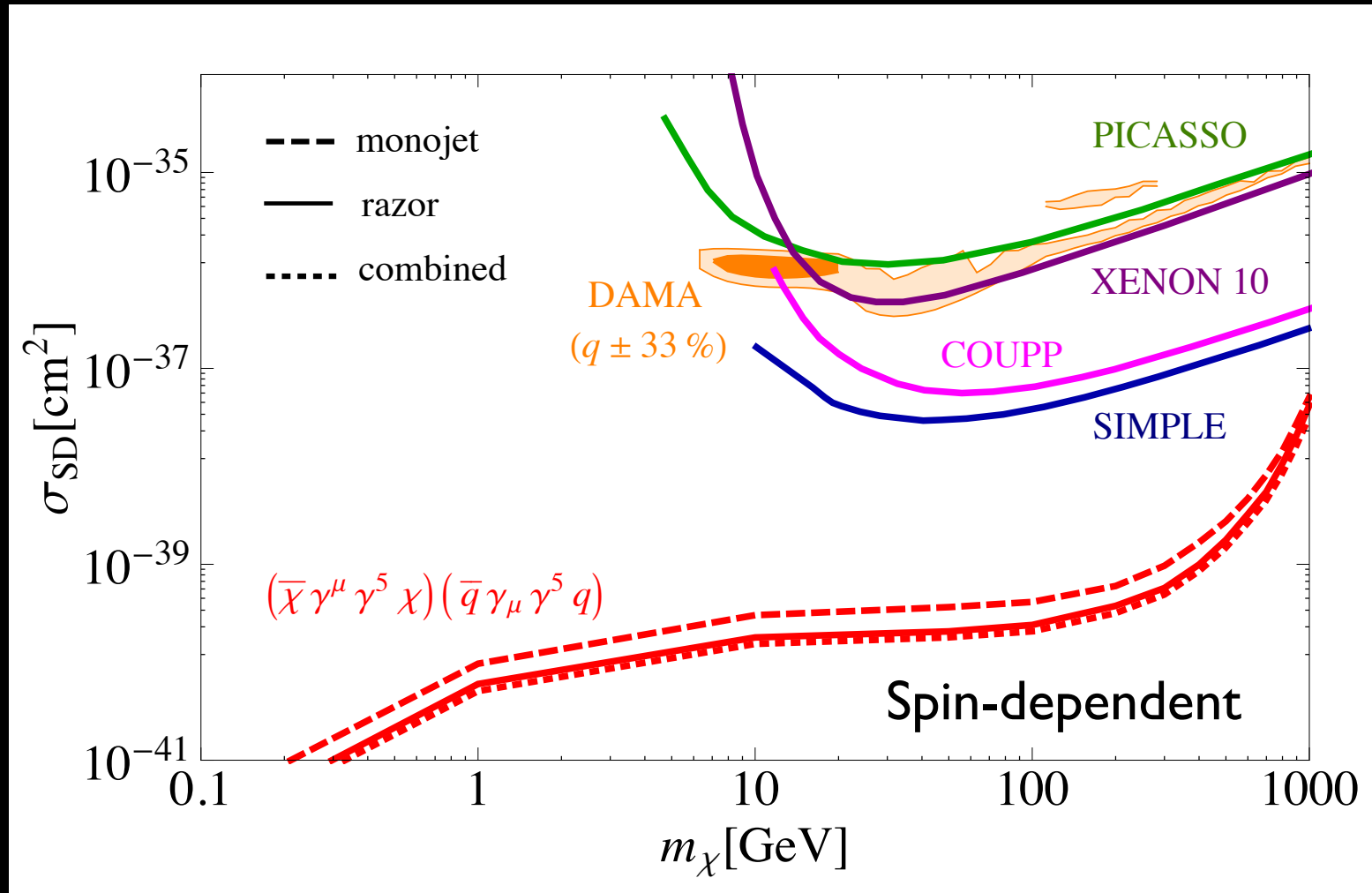
## Direct detection and LHC



Fox, Harnik, Primulando, Yu 2012

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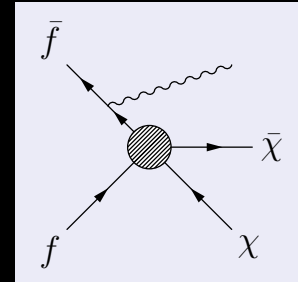
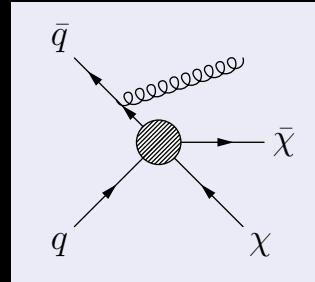
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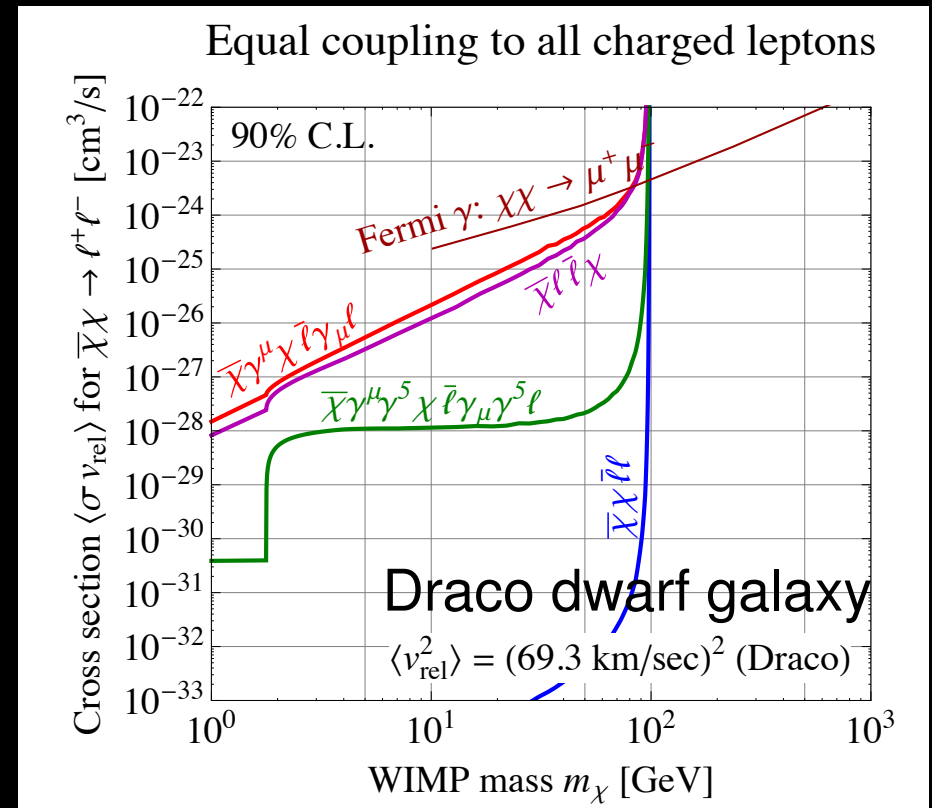
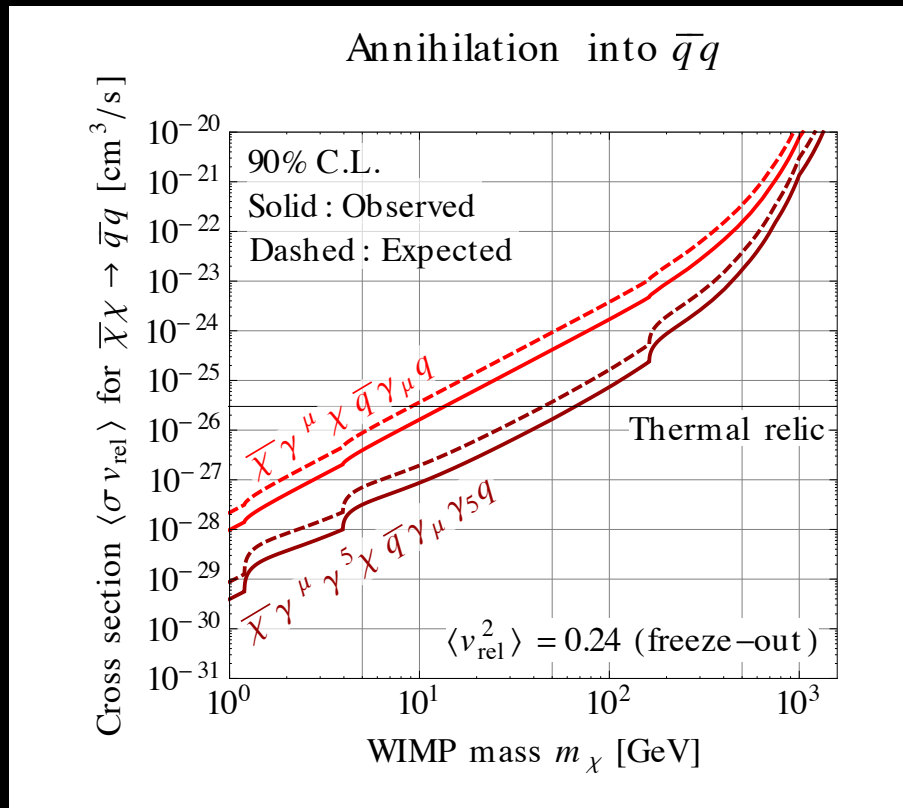
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# Effective operator approach

LHC limits and gamma-rays from dark matter



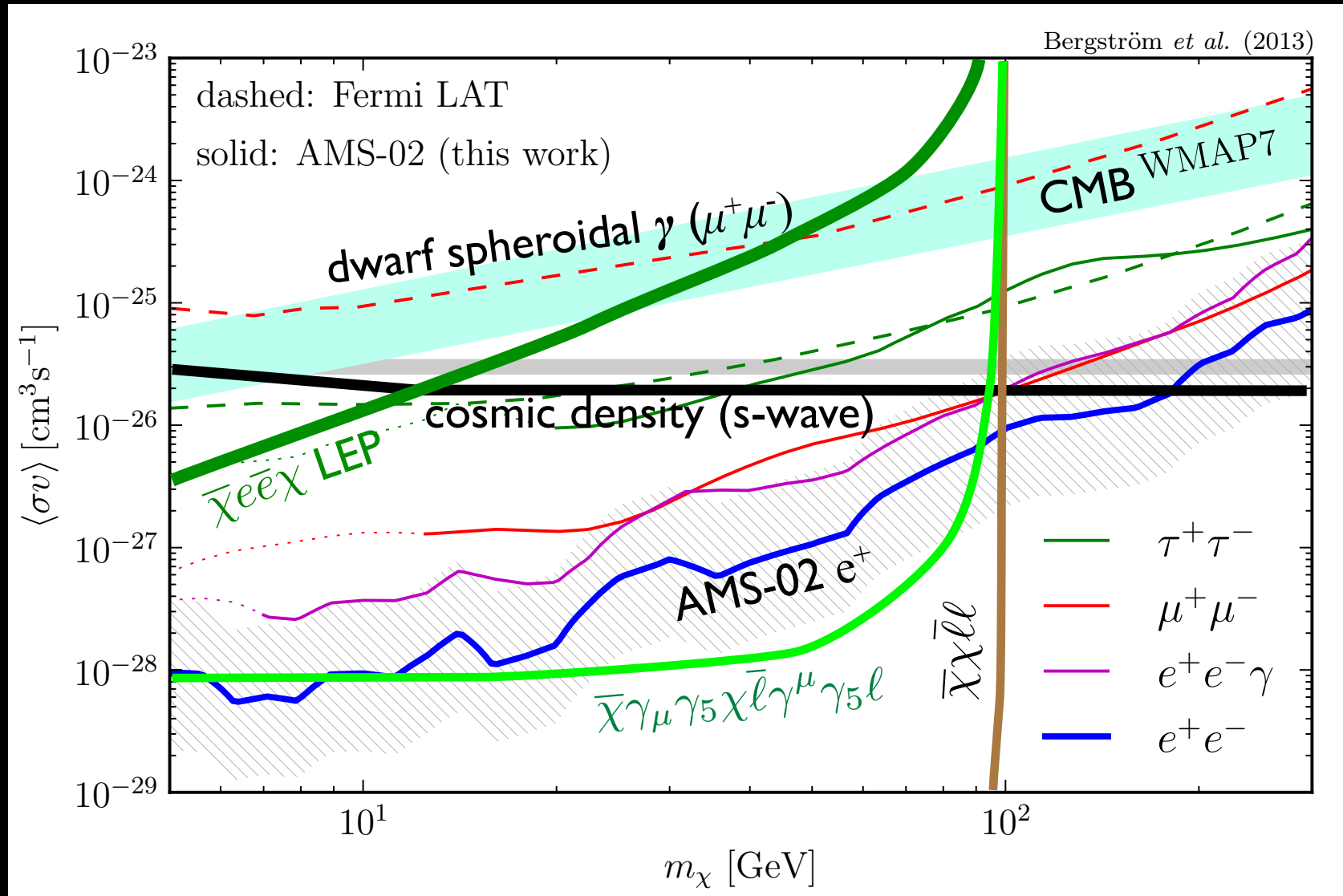
Mono-jet  
Mono-gamma



Kopp, Fox, Harnik, Tait 2011

# Constraints on annihilation cross section

$\gamma$ -rays, cosmological ionization, positrons, and LEP

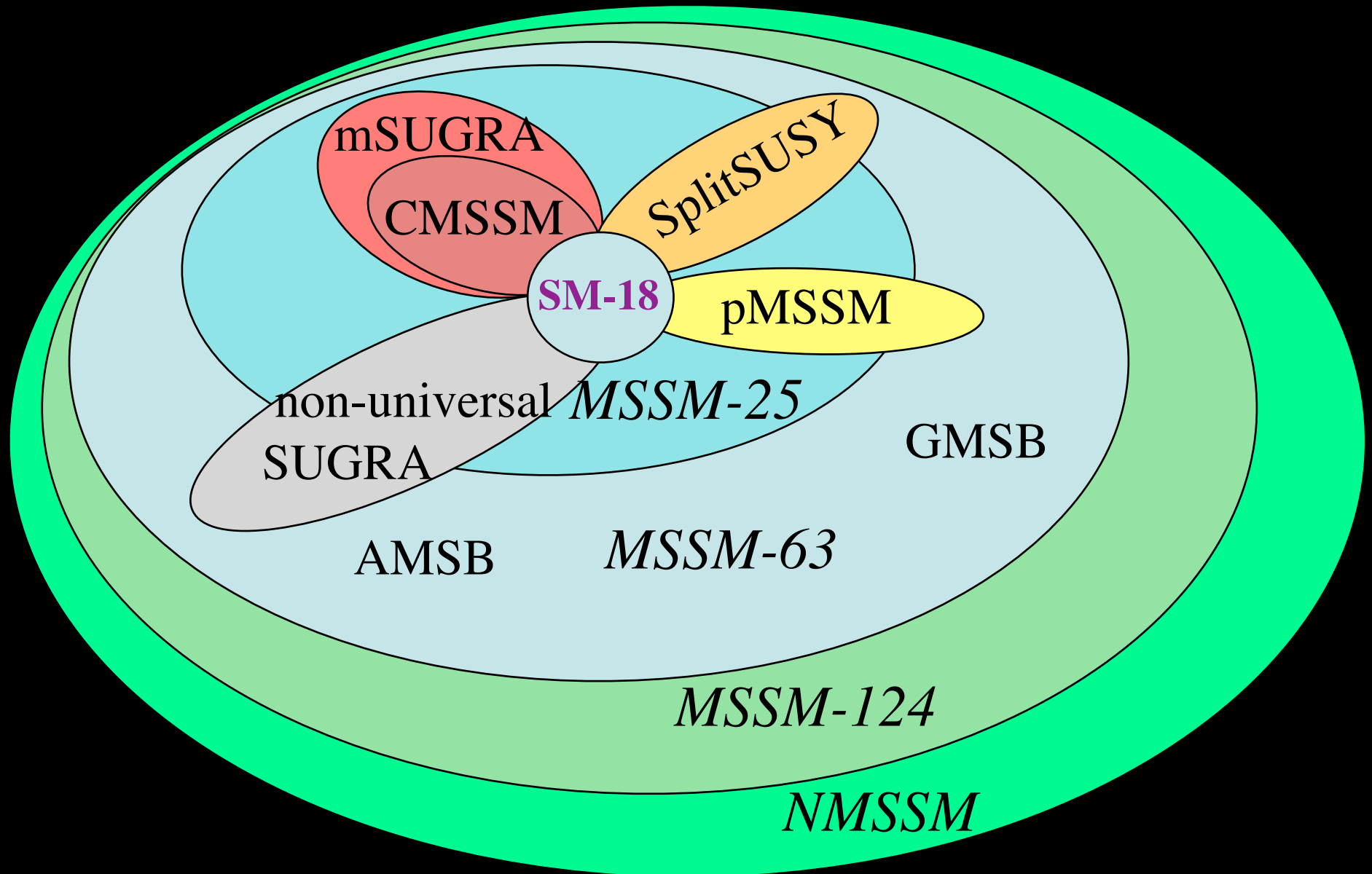


Fox, Harnik, Kopp, Tsai 2011 & Bergström, Bringmann, Cholis, Hooper, Weniger 2013



# Supersymmetric dark matter

# Intersections of supersymmetric models



# Supersymmetric dark matter

Neutralinos (the most fashionable/studied WIMP)

*Goldberg 1983; Ellis, Hagelin, Nanopoulos, Olive, Srednicki 1984; etc.*

Sneutrinos (also WIMPs)

*Falk, Olive, Srednicki 1994; Asaka, Ishiwata, Moroi 2006; McDonald 2007; Lee, Matchev, Nasri 2007; Deppisch, Pilaftsis 2008; Cerdeno, Munoz, Seto 2009; Cerdeno, Seto 2009; etc.*

Gravitinos (SuperWIMPs)

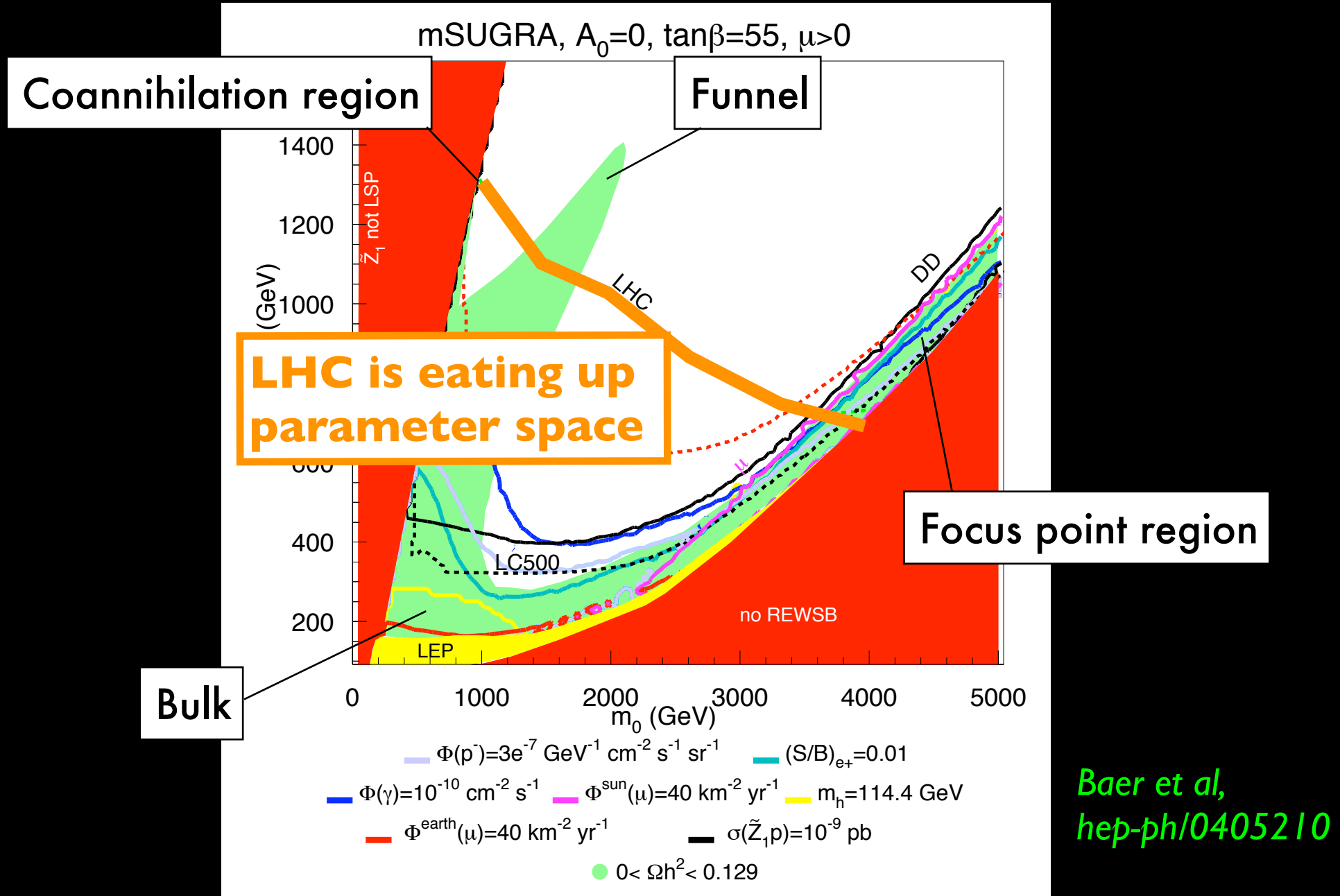
*Feng, Rajaraman, Takayama 2003; Ellis, Olive, Santoso, Spanos 2004; Feng, Su, Takayama, 2004; etc.*

Axinos (SuperWIMPs)

*Tamvakis, Wyler 1982; Nilles, Raby 1982; Goto, Yamaguchi 1992; Covi, Kim, Kim, Roszkowski 2001; Covi, Roszkowski, Ruiz de Austri, Small 2004; etc.*

# Neutralino dark matter: minimal supergravity

Only in special regions the density is not too large.



# Neutralino dark matter: impact of LHC

*Cahill-Rowell et al 1305.6921*

“the only pMSSM models remaining [with neutralino being 100% of CDM] are those with bino coannihilation”

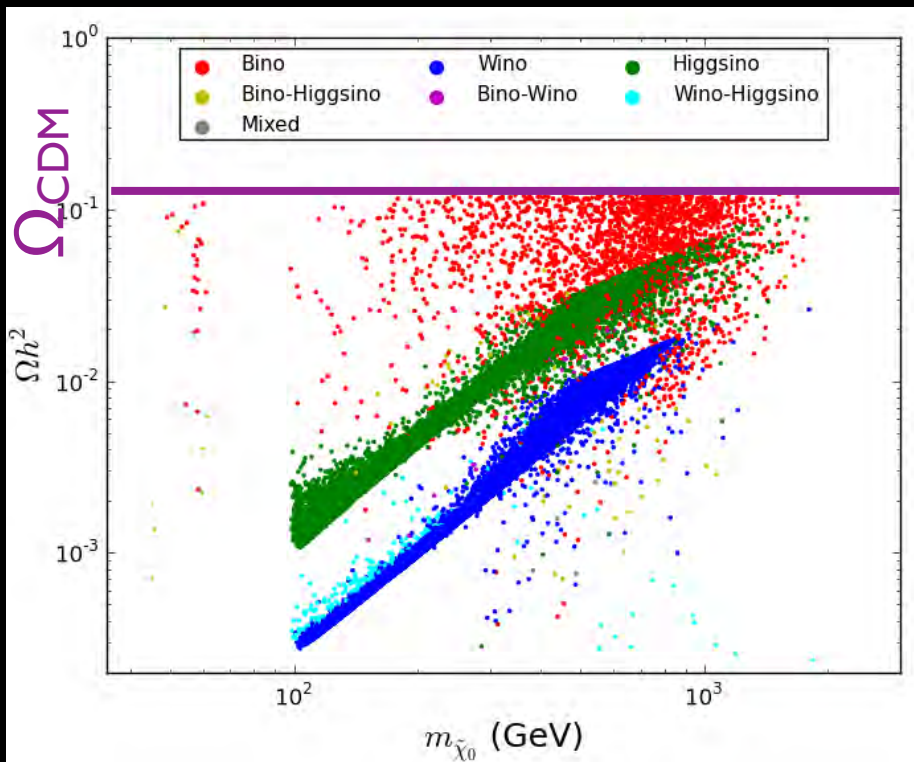
pMSSM (phenomenological MSSM)

$\mu, m_A, \tan \beta, A_b, A_t, A_\tau, M_1, M_2, M_3,$

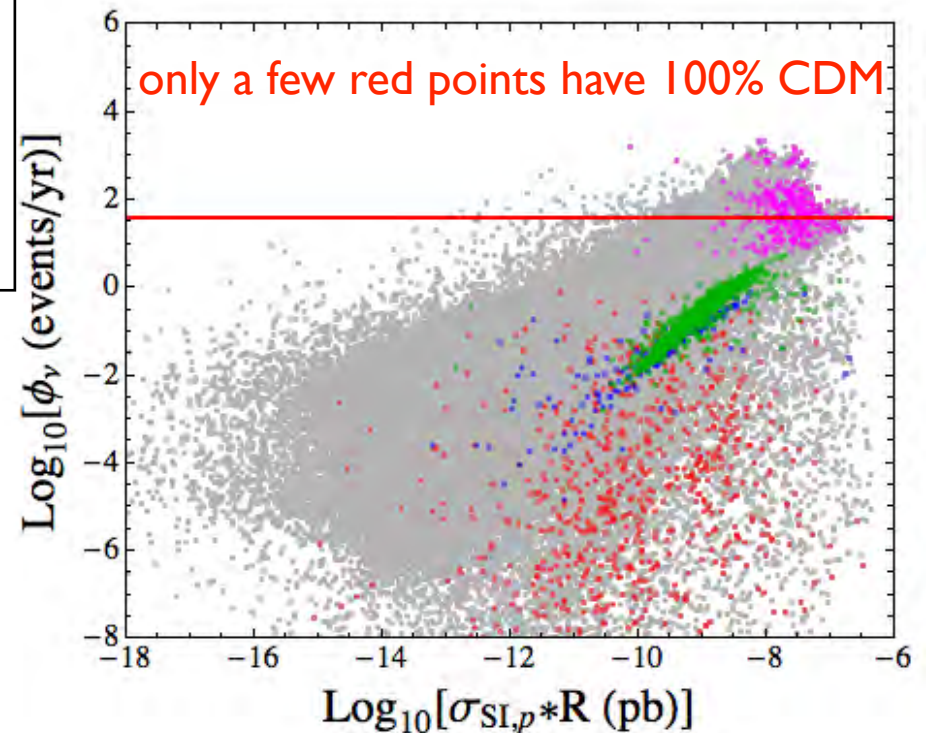
$m_{Q_1}, m_{Q_3}, m_{u_1}, m_{d_1}, m_{u_3}, m_{d_3},$

$m_{L_1}, m_{L_3}, m_{e_1}, m_{e_3}$

(19 parameters)



“IceCube”

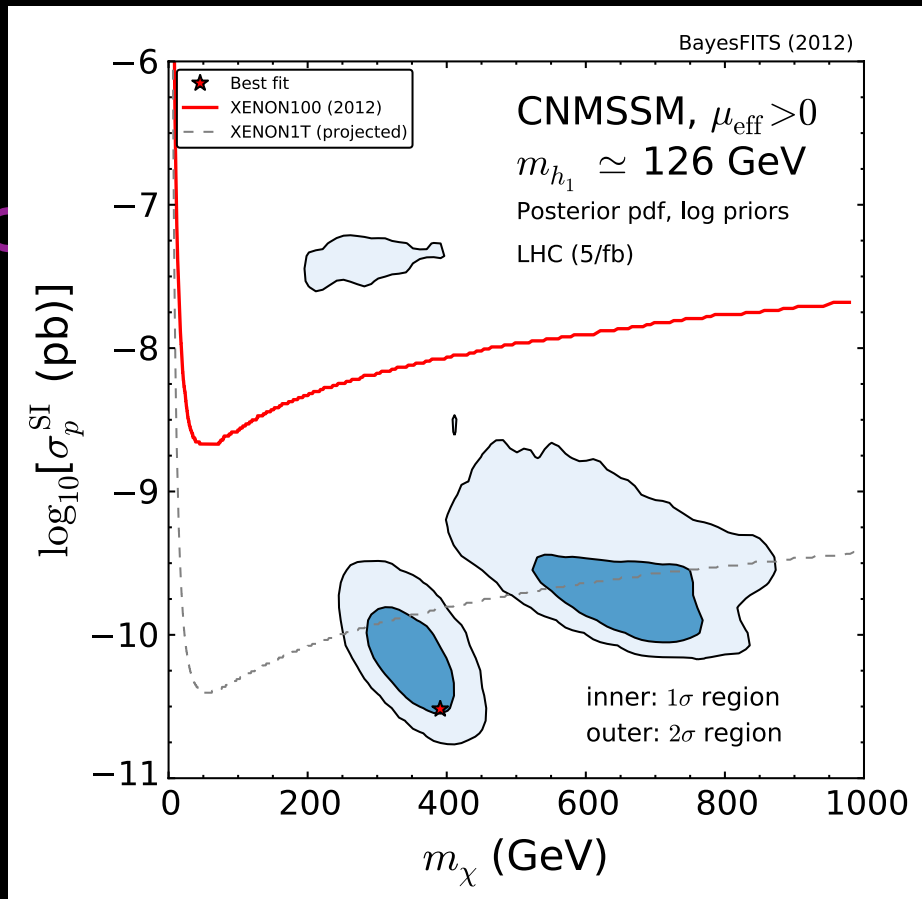


“Direct Detection”

# Neutralino dark matter: impact of LHC

Kowalska et al 1211.1693 [PRD 87(2013)115010]

CNMSSM: Alive and well!



NMSSM (Next-to-MSSM)

$$W = \lambda S H_u H_d + \frac{\kappa}{3} S^3 + (\text{MSSM Yukawa terms}),$$

$$V_{\text{soft}} = m_{H_u}^2 |H_u|^2 + m_{H_d}^2 |H_d|^2 + m_S^2 |S|^2 + \left( \lambda A_\lambda S H_u H_d + \frac{1}{3} \kappa A_\kappa S^3 + \text{H.c.} \right),$$

Constrained NMSSM

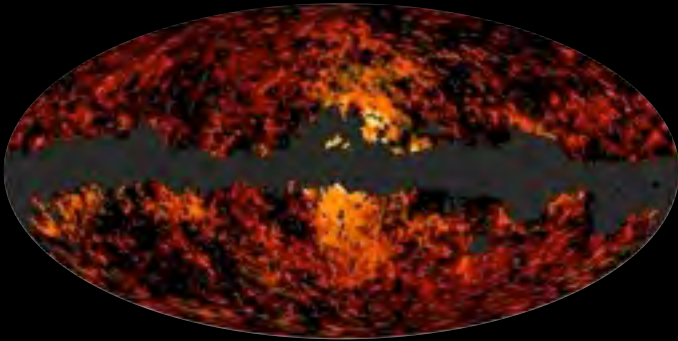
$$m_0, m_{1/2}, A_0, \tan \beta, \lambda, \text{sgn}(\mu_{\text{eff}}),$$

GUT & radiative EWSB

Marginalized 2D posterior PDF of global analysis including LHC, WMAP,  $(g-2)_\mu$ ,  $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  etc.

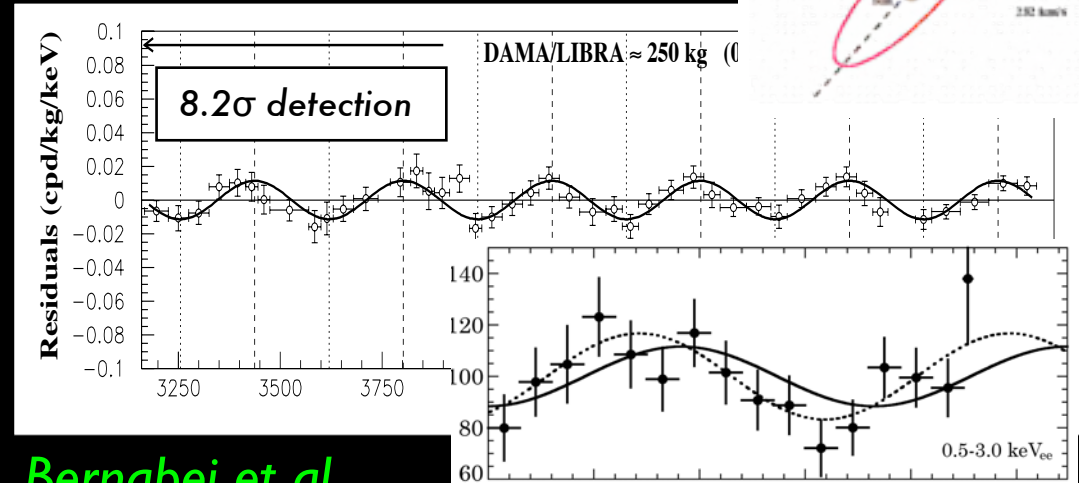
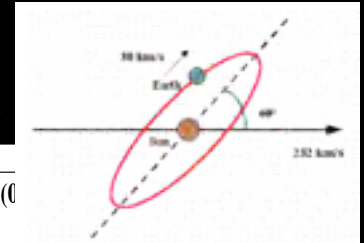
# Evidence for WIMP dark matter?

## WMAP/Planck haze



## Annual modulation

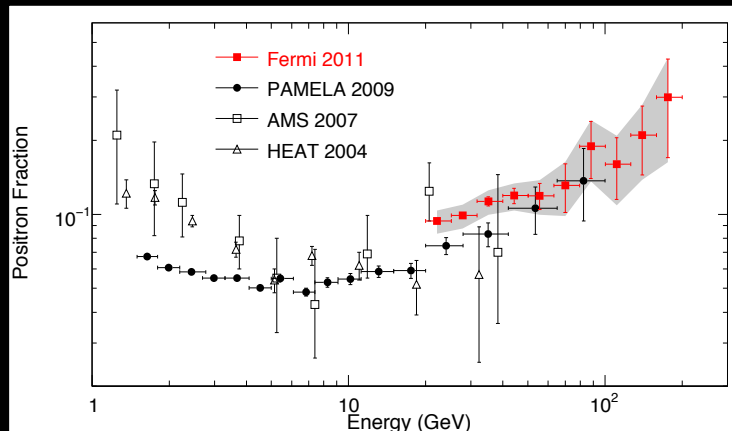
*Drukier, Freese, Spergel 1986*



*Bernabei et al  
1997-2012*

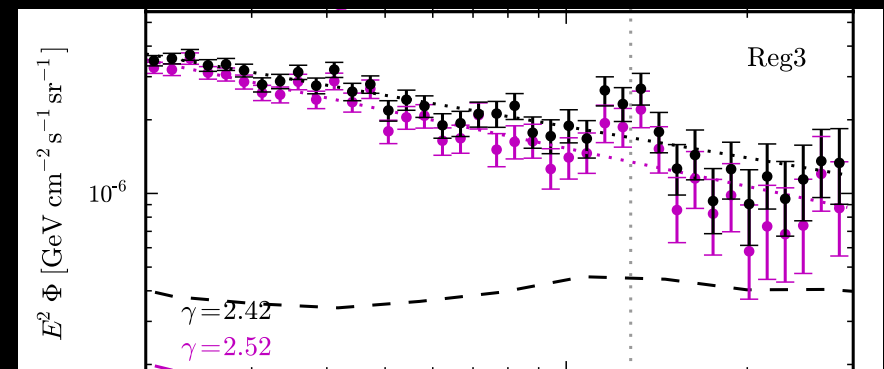
*Aalseth et al 2011*

## Positron excess



*Adriani et al 2009; Ackerman et al 2011; Aguilar et al 2013*

## 130 GeV $\gamma$ -ray line

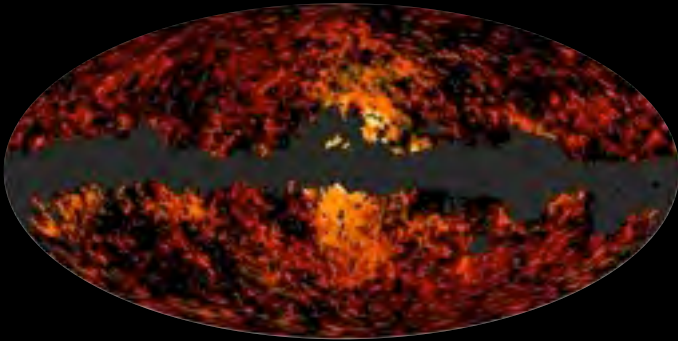


*Weniger 2012*

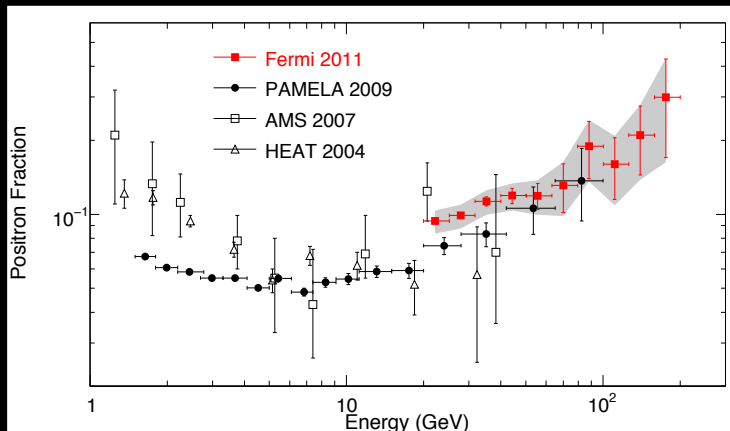


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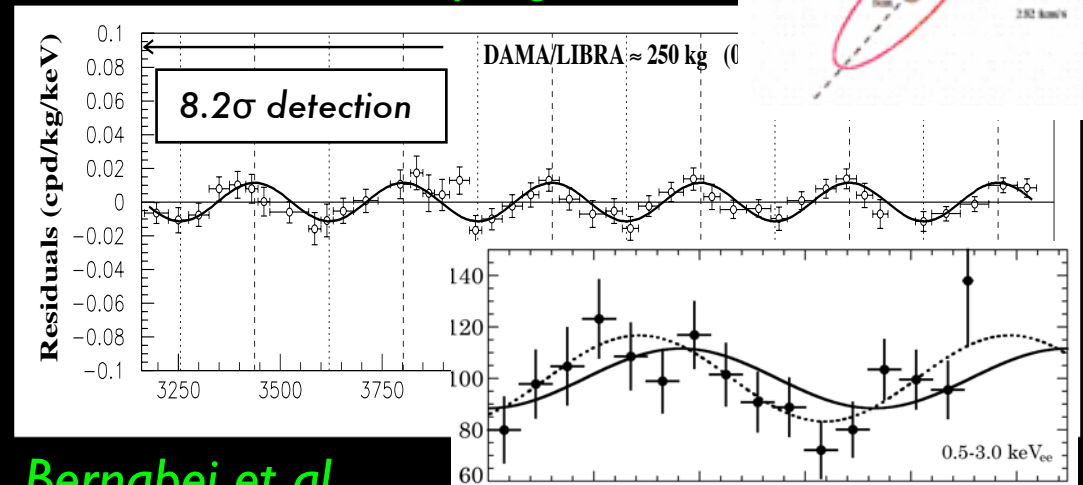
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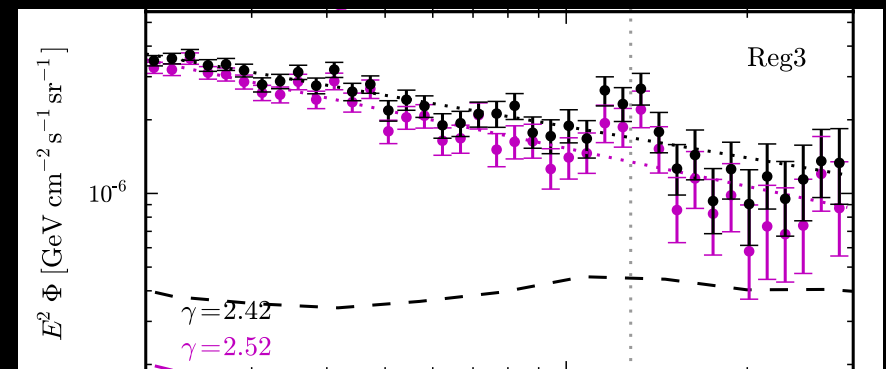
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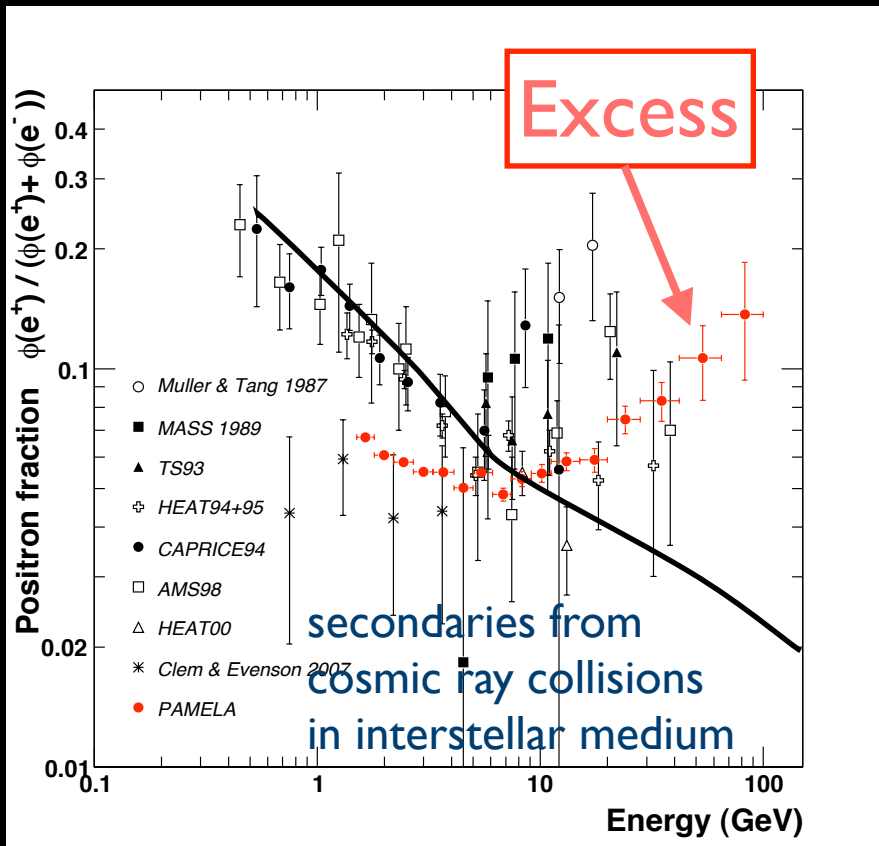
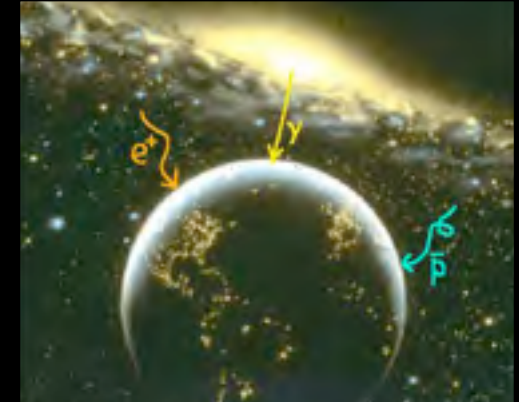


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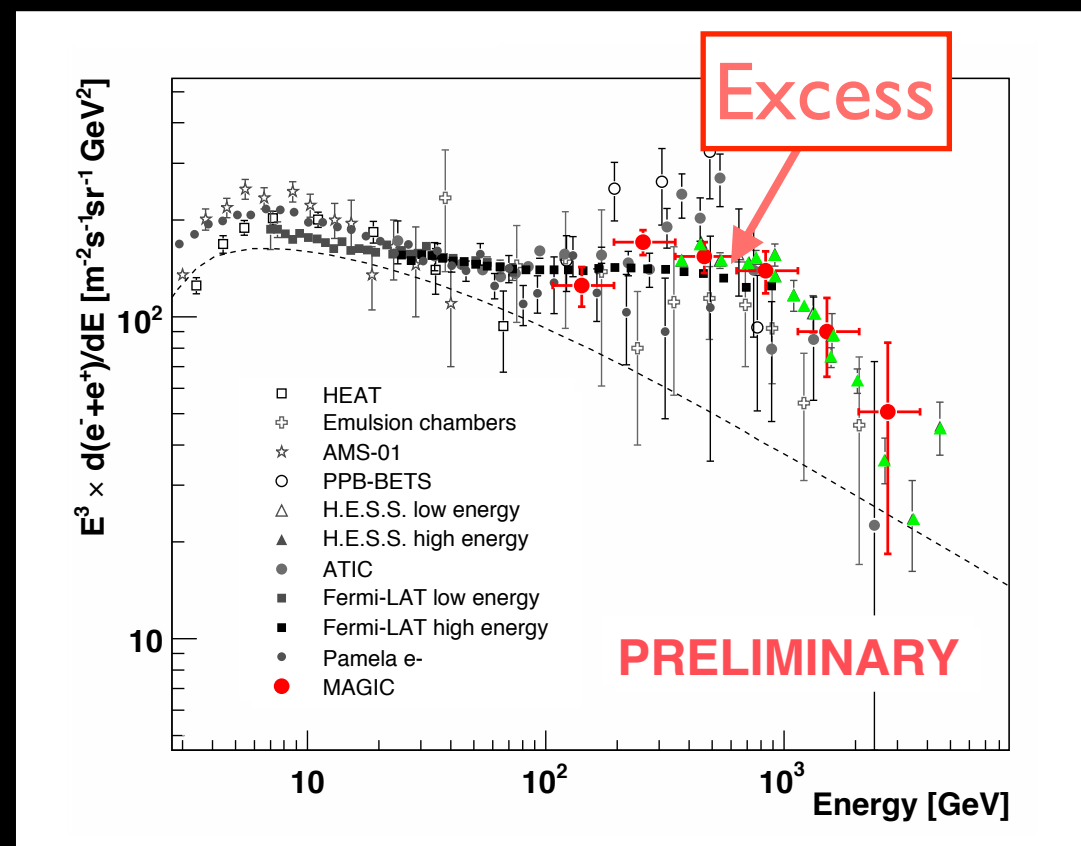


# Excess in cosmic ray positrons

High energy cosmic ray positrons are more than expected



Adriani et al. [PAMELA], arXiv: 0810.4995



Borla Tridon et al [MAGIC], arXiv: 1110.4008

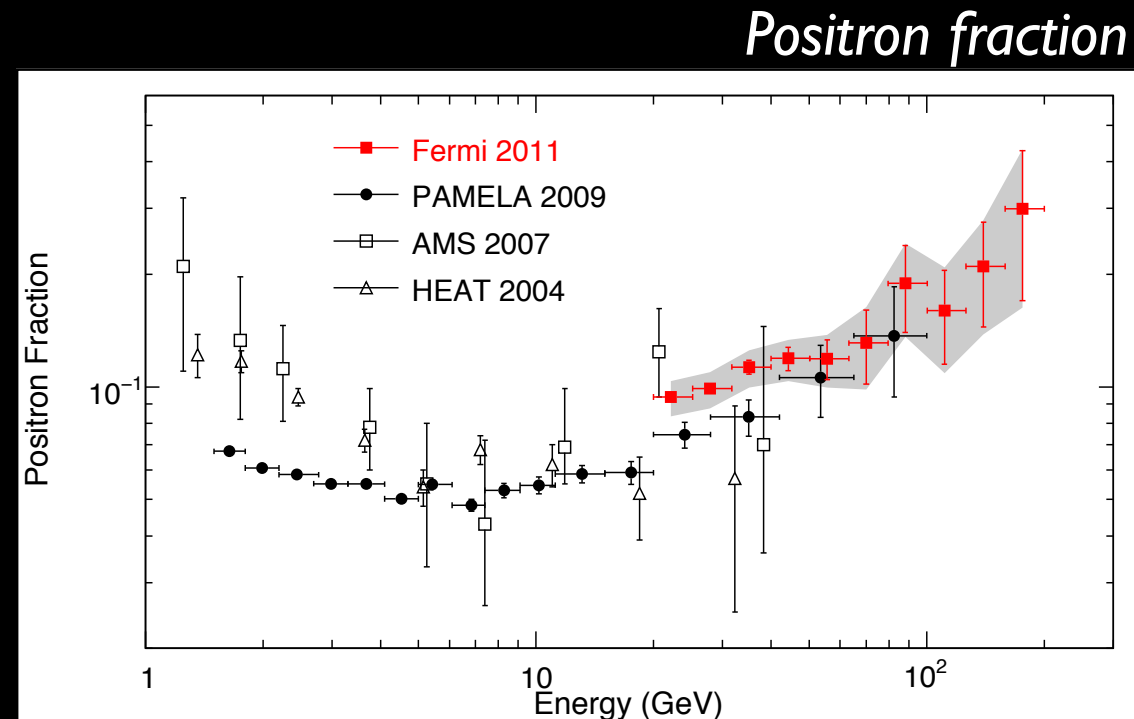
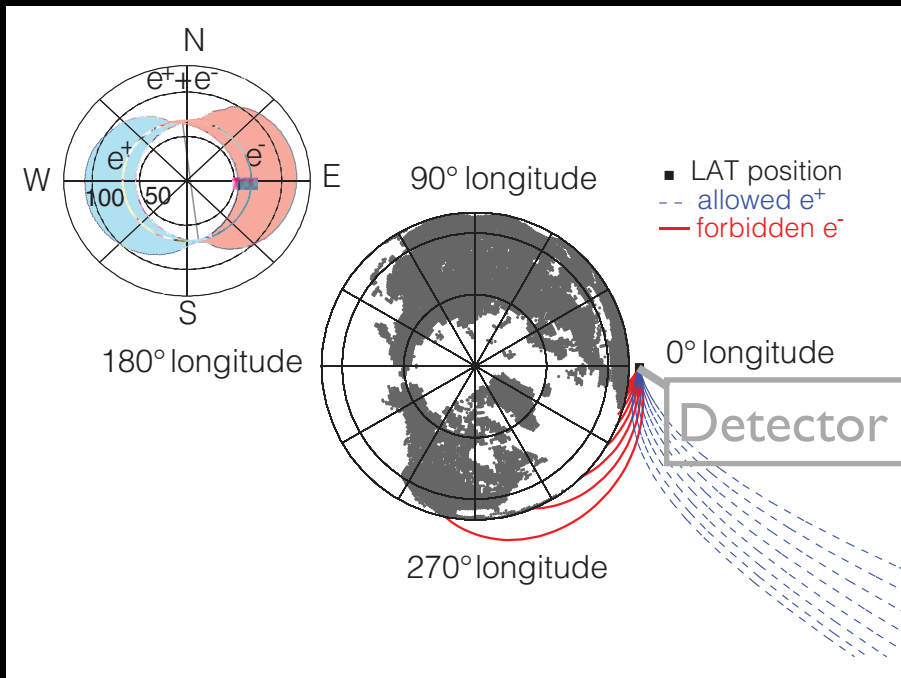
# Cosmic ray positrons

Fermi-LAT confirms and extends the positron excess

*Ackermann et al, 1109.0521*

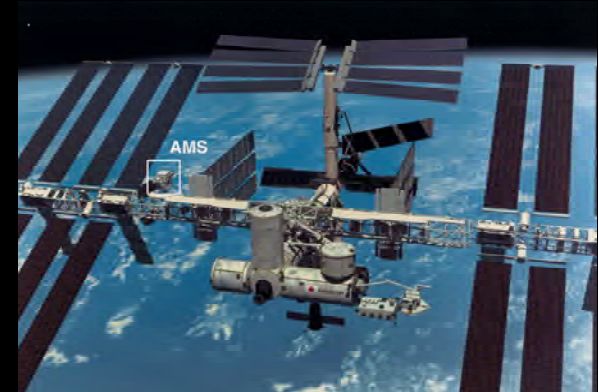
*Use the biggest magnet on Earth: the geomagnetic field!*

*Daniel, Stephens 1965; Müller, Tang 1987*

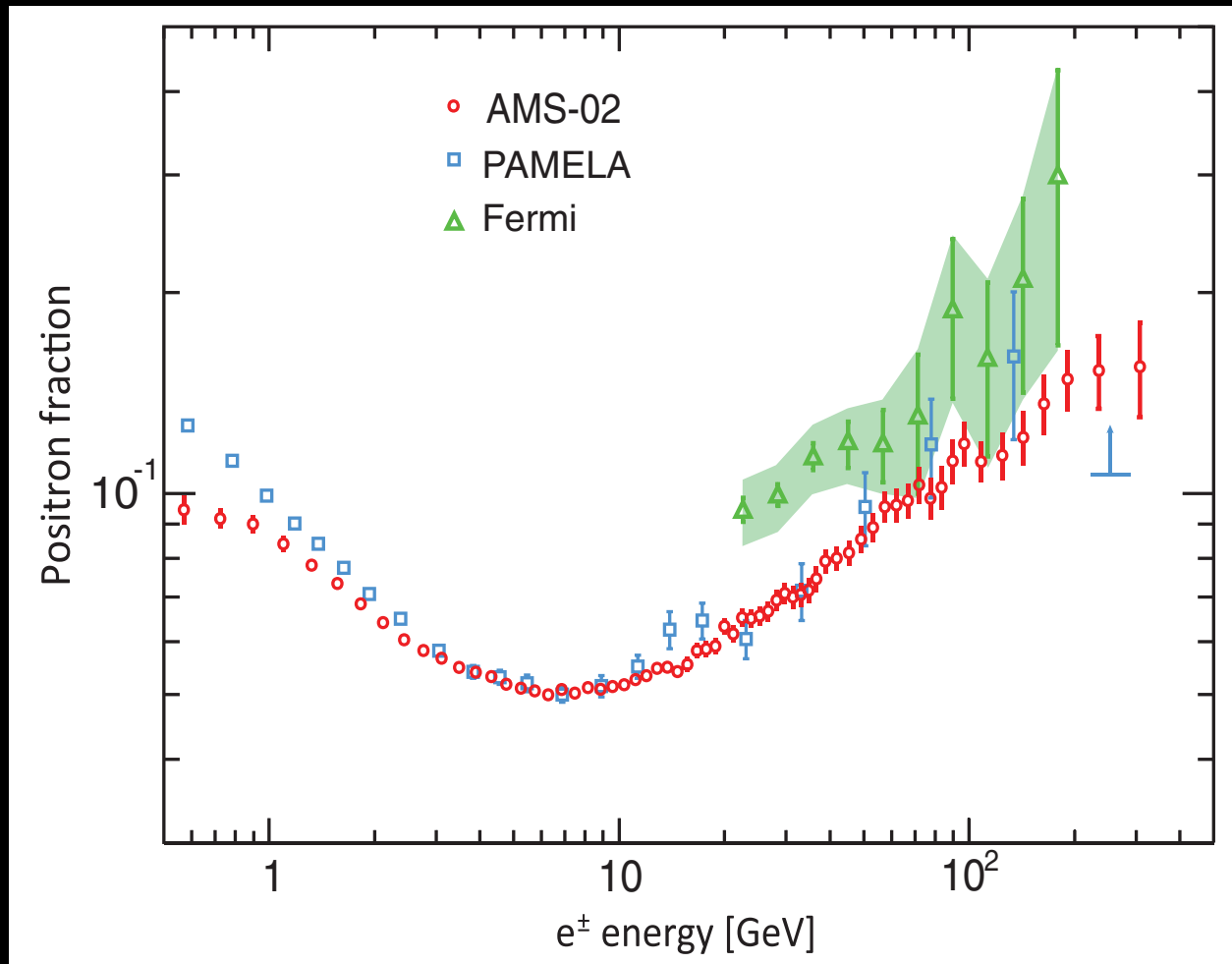


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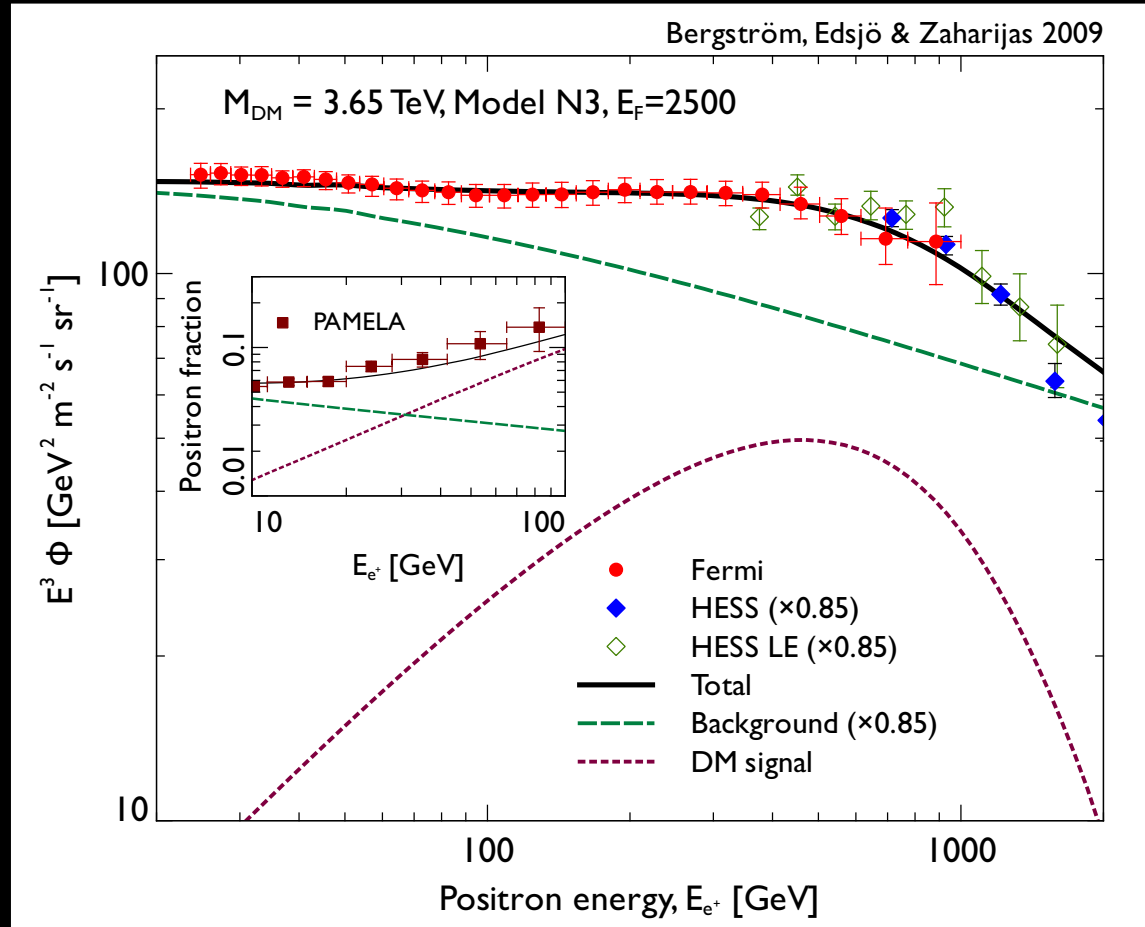
AMS-02 provides data with exquisite precision



*Aguilar et al (AMS-02) 2013*



# Excess in cosmic ray positrons



Nomura-Thaler model:

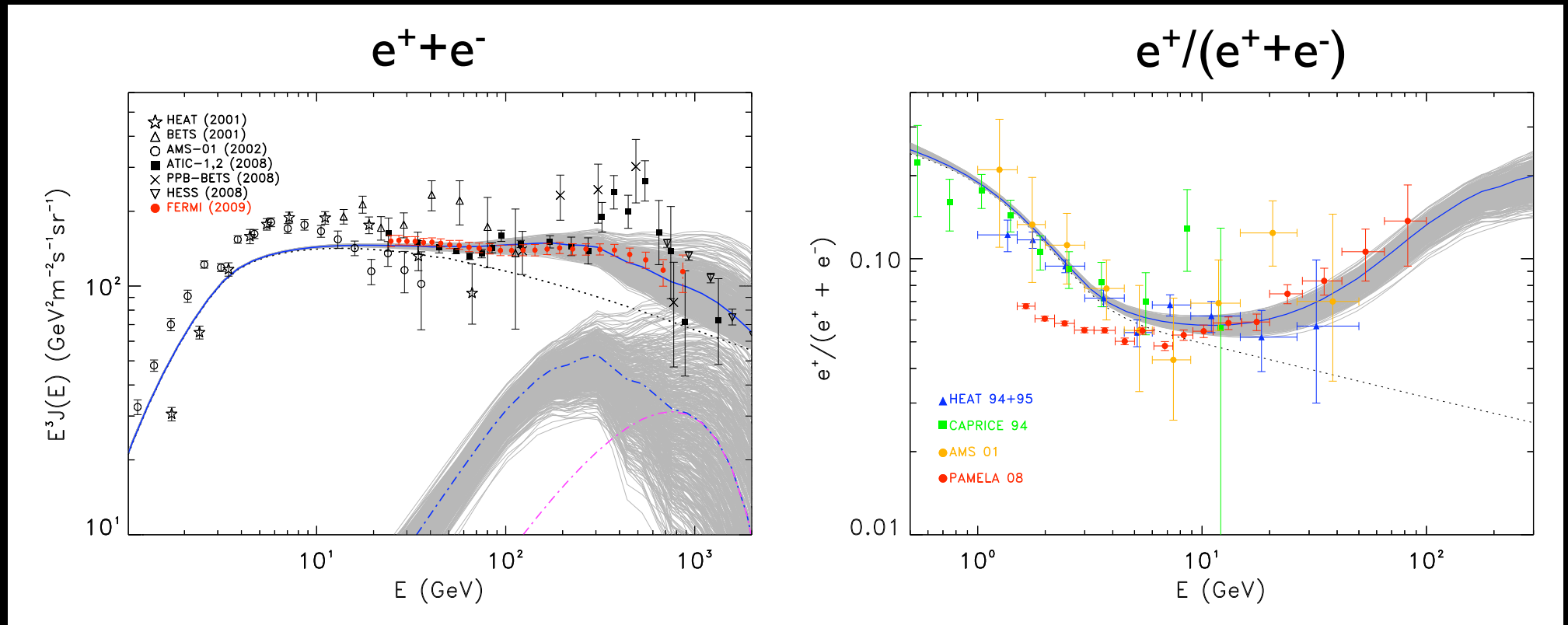
*Bergstrom, Edsjo, Zaharijas 2009*

$$DM + DM \rightarrow s + a, \quad s \rightarrow a + a, \quad a \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$$

$$m_s = 20 \text{ GeV} \quad m_a = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

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## Pulsars



Grasso et al [Fermi-LAT], arXiv: 0905.0636

Many parameters and models to choose from.

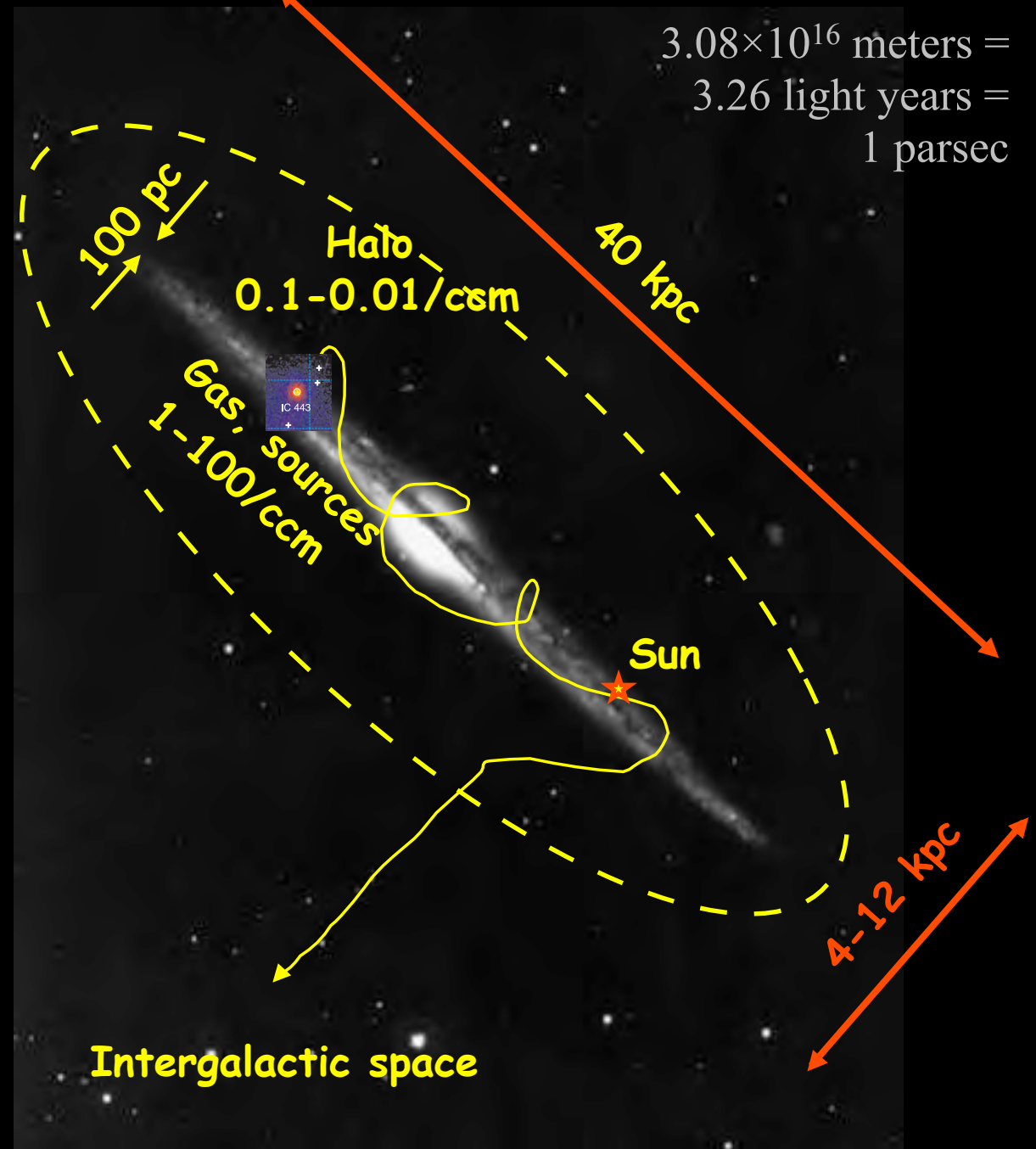
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## Galactic cosmic rays

- Primary cosmic rays (p,  $^4\text{He}$ , C, N, O, ..., Fe,  $^{64}\text{Ni}$ ) are produced in supernova remnants.

*First observational evidence  
Ackermann et al 2013*

- Secondary cosmic rays ( $^2\text{H}$ ,  $^3\text{He}$ ,  $^{6,7}\text{Li}$ ,  $^{7,9,10}\text{Be}$ ,  $^{10,11}\text{B}$ , ...,  $^{26}\text{Al}$ ,  $^{35}\text{Cl}$ ,  $^{54}\text{Mn}$ , ...) are produced in cosmic ray collisions with the interstellar medium (90% H, 10% He).
- Secondary to primary ratio carries information on astrophysical model.



*Background graphics from Moskalenko 2005*

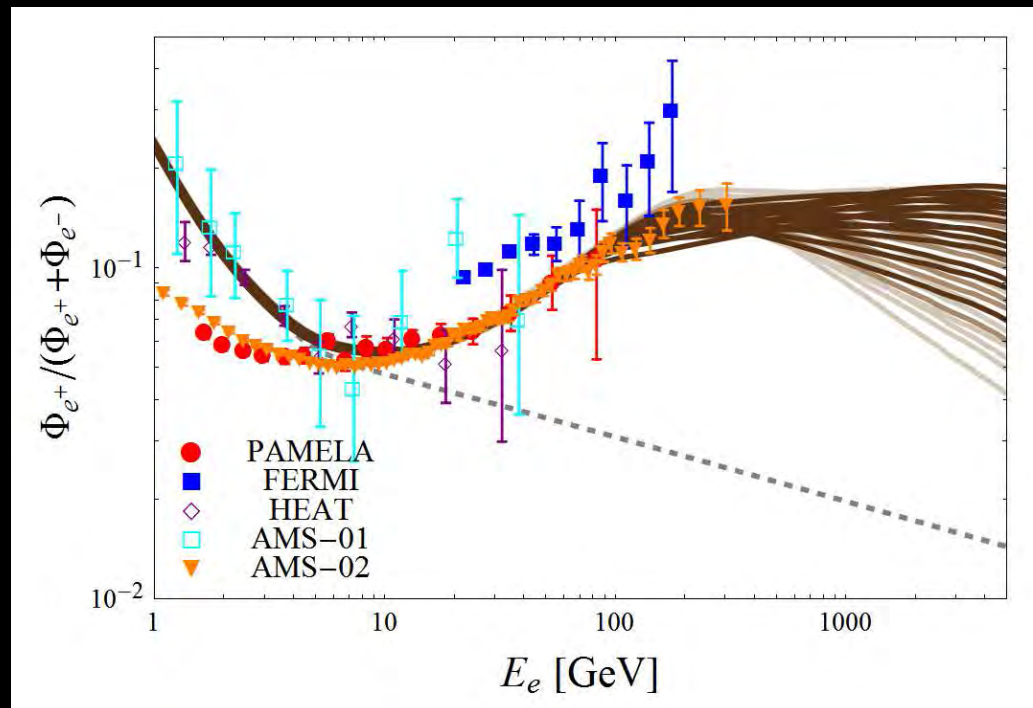
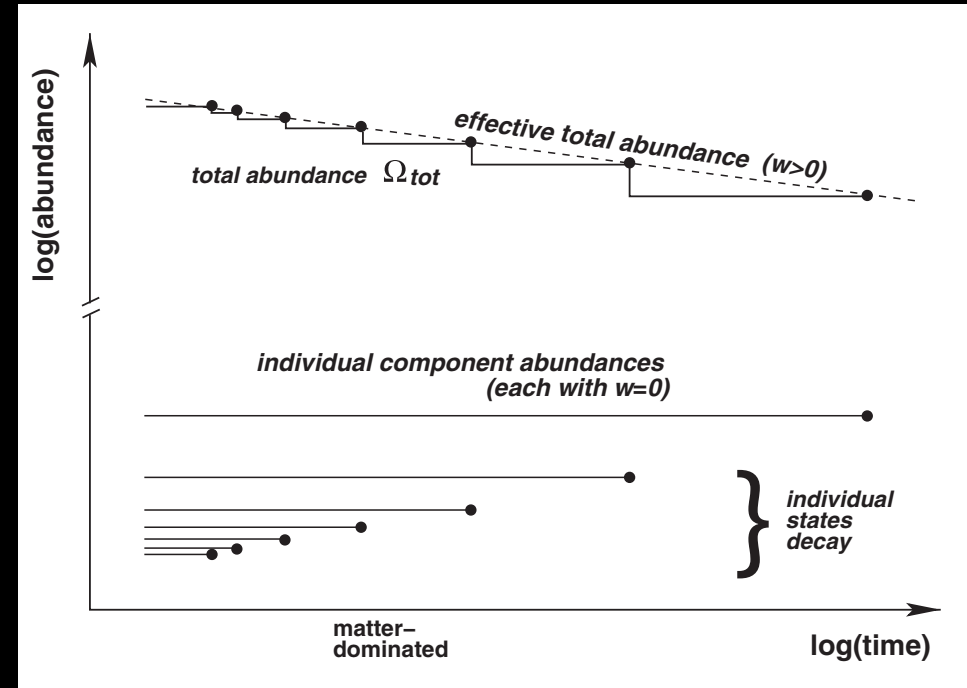
# Dynamical dark matter

Dienes, Thomas 2011, 2012

Dienes, Kumar, Thomas 2012, 2013

A vast ensemble of fields  
decaying one into another

Example: Kaluza-Klein tower  
of axions in extra-dimensions

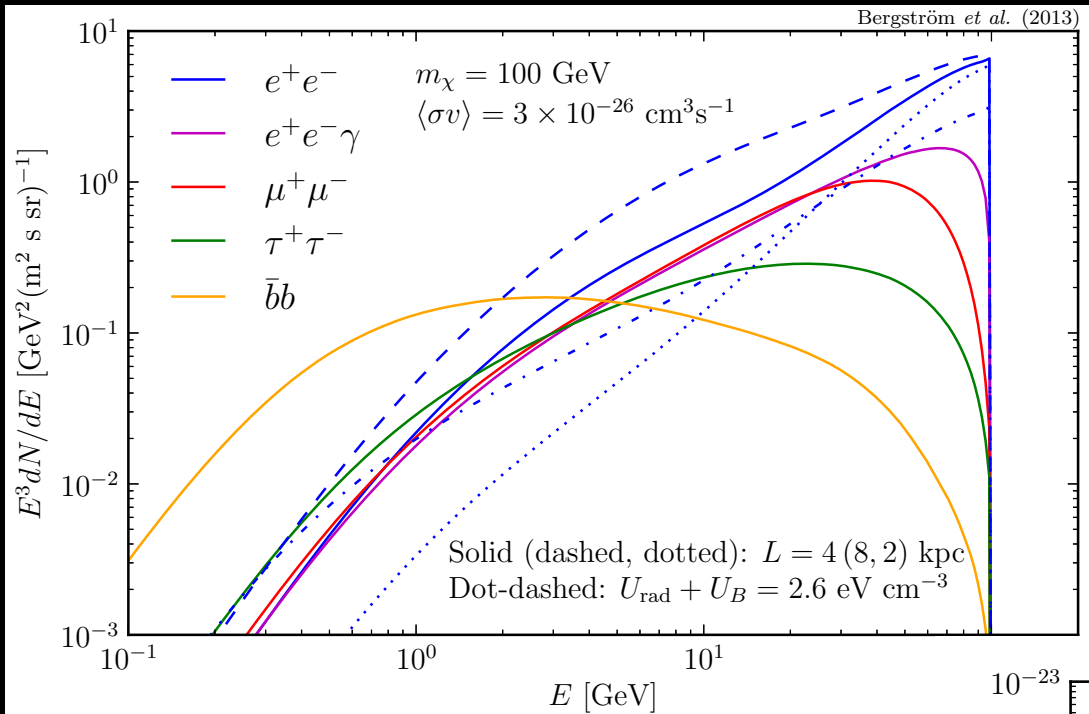


Phenomenology obtained through  
scaling laws

$$m_n = m_0 + n^\delta \Delta m,$$

$$\rho_n \sim m_n^\alpha, \tau_n \sim m_n^{-\gamma}$$

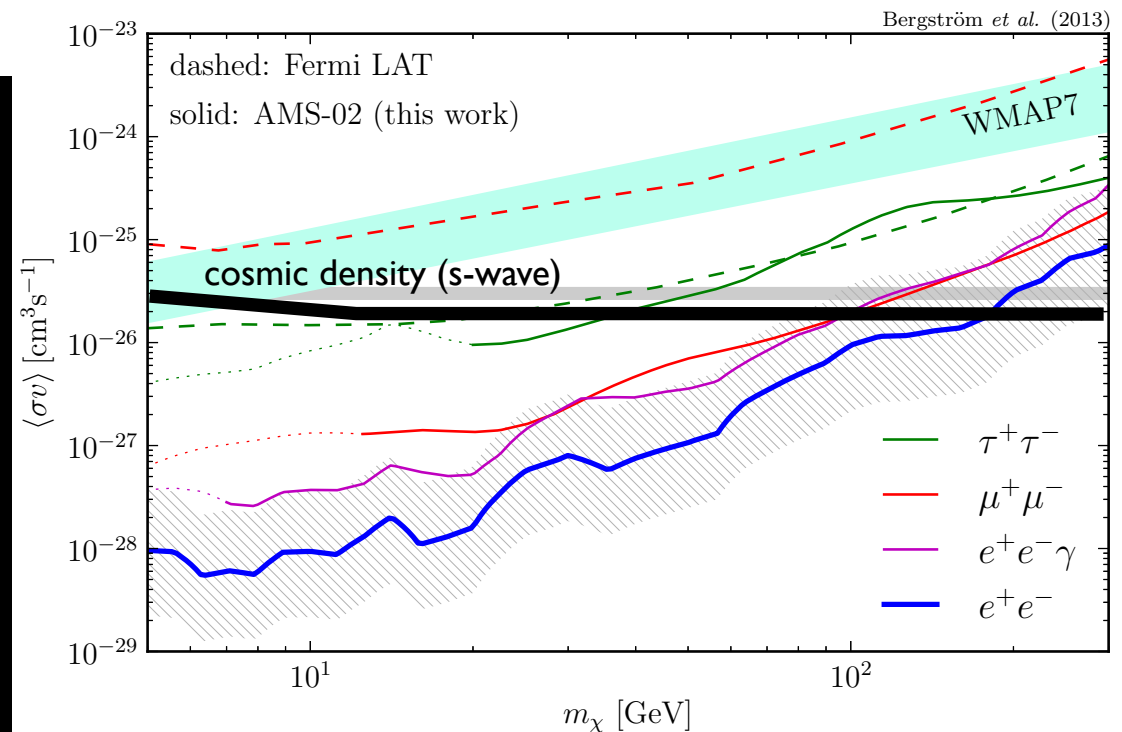
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The safe way: use the AMS spectrum purely as upper limit on positrons from WIMP dark matter.

*Bergstrom et al 2013*

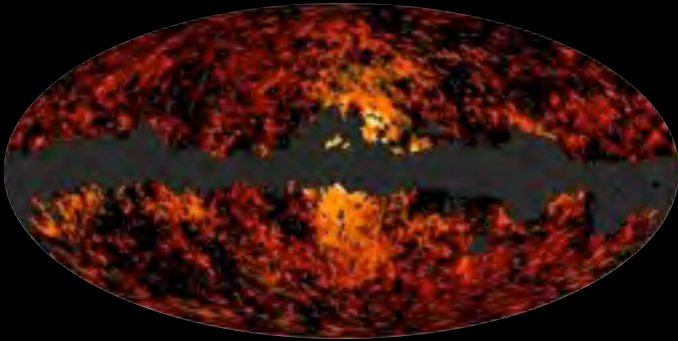
*Spectral features in  $e^+e^-$  spectrum lead to limits on annihilation cross section*





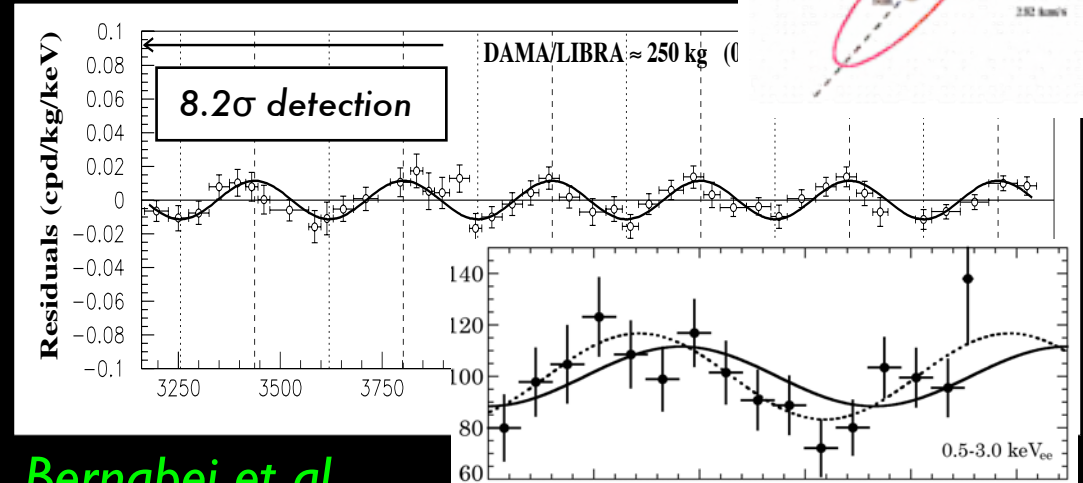
# Evidence for cold dark matter particles?

## WMAP/Planck haze



## Annual modulation

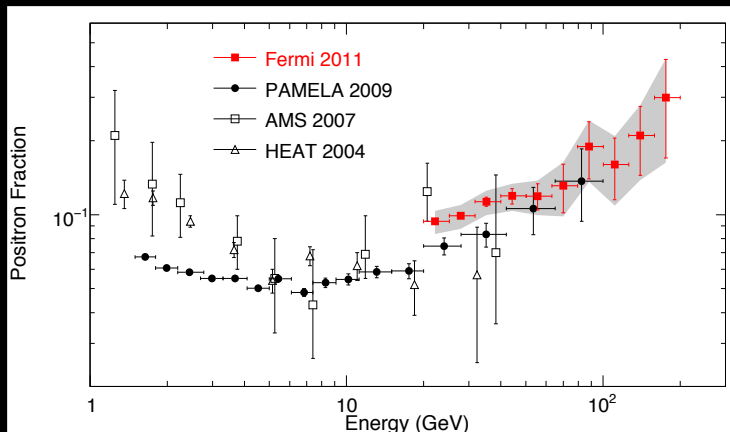
*Drukier, Freese, Spergel 1986*



*Bernabei et al  
1997-2012*

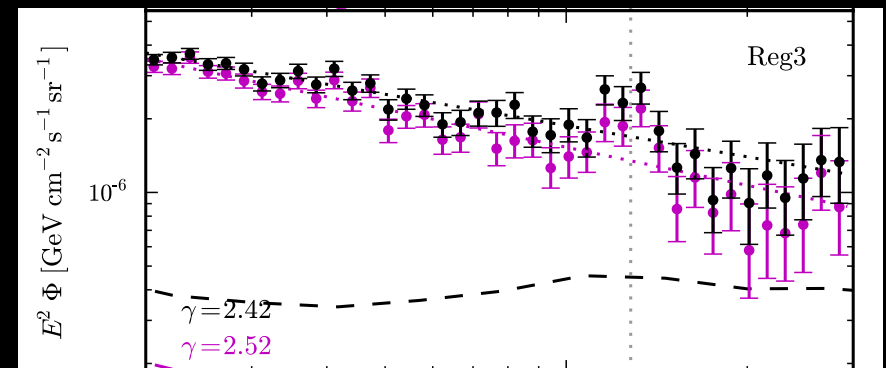
*Aalseth et al 2011*

## Positron excess



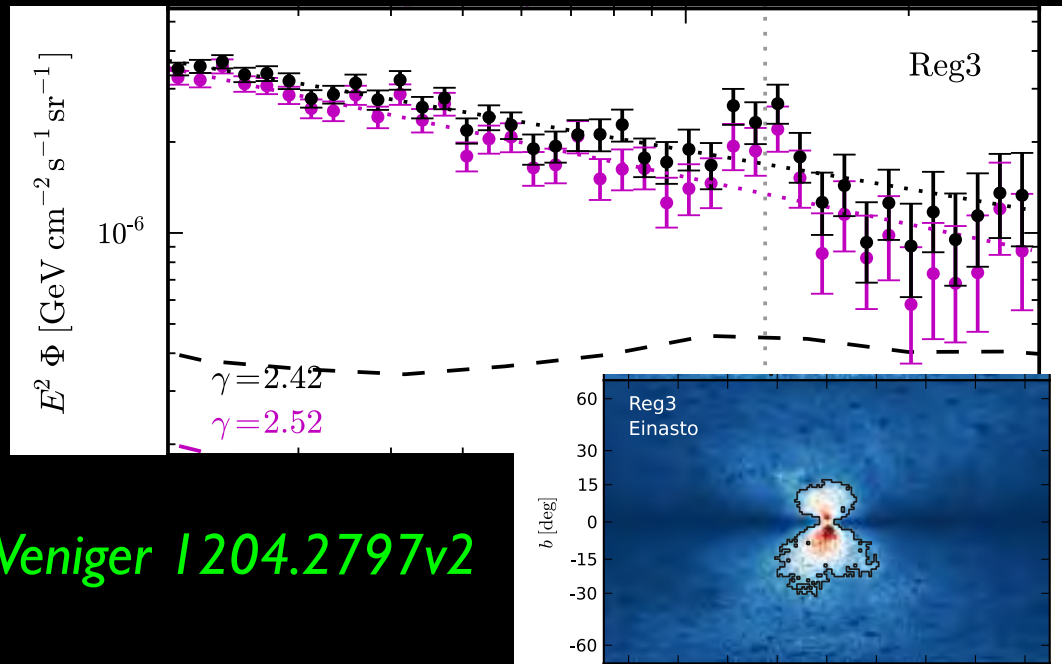
*Adriani et al 2009; Ackerman et al 2011*

## 130 GeV $\gamma$ -ray line



*Weniger 2012*

# 135 GeV gamma-ray line?



*Weniger 1204.2797v2*

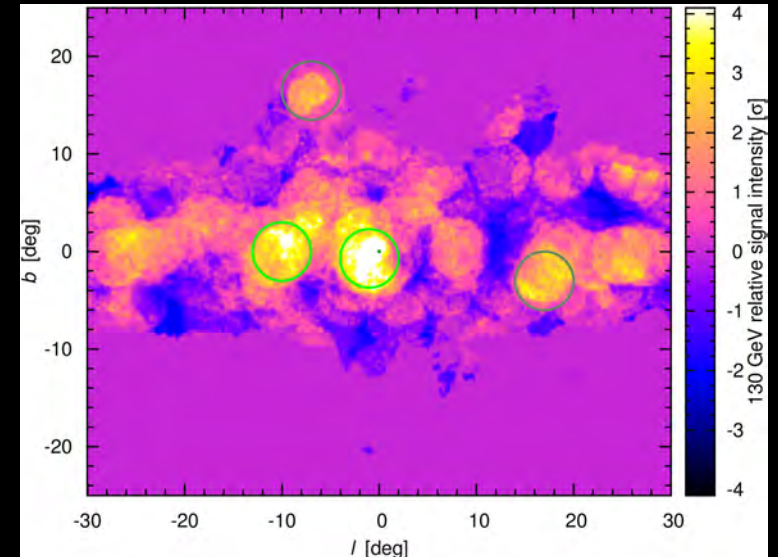
3.2 $\sigma$  effect based on 50 photons

$$m = 129.8 \pm 2.4^{+7}_{-13} \text{ GeV}$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\gamma\gamma} = (1.27 \pm 0.32^{+0.18}_{-0.28}) \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$$

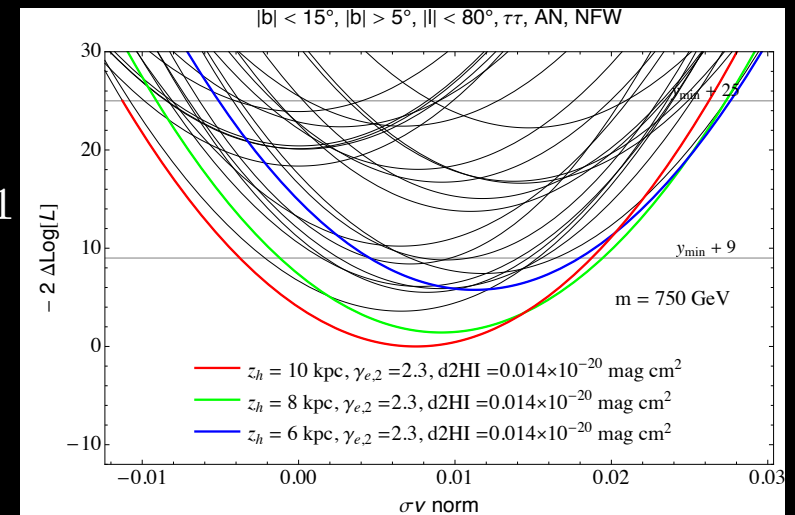
HESS-2 will tell (when?)

found by others



*Tempel, Hektor, Raidal 2012*

Fermi Collab. upper bounds

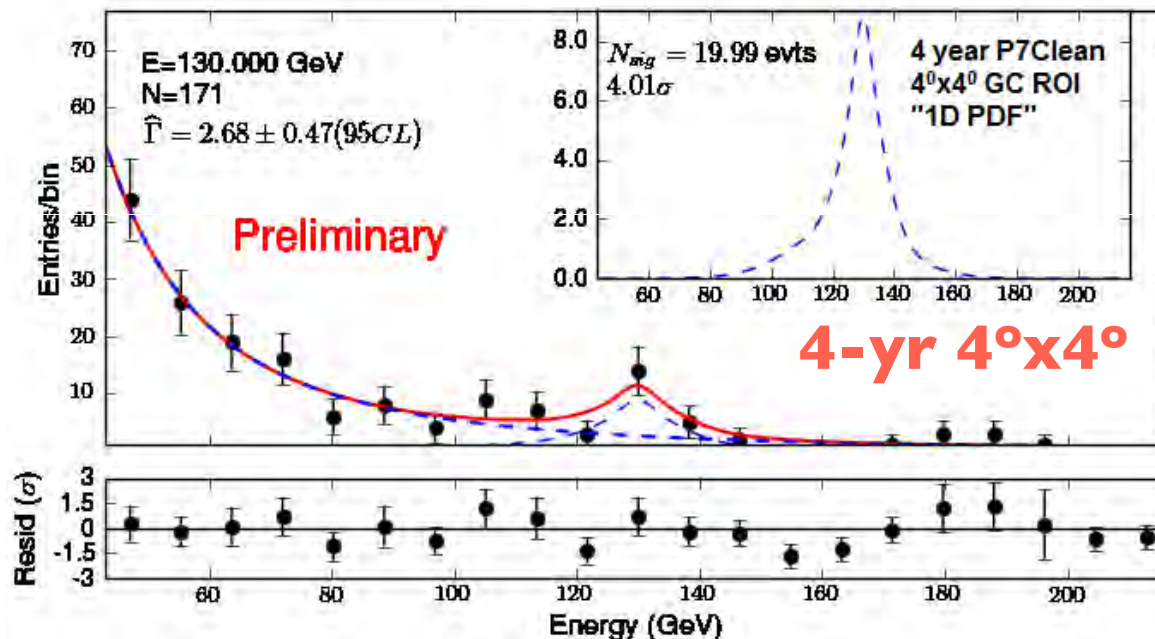
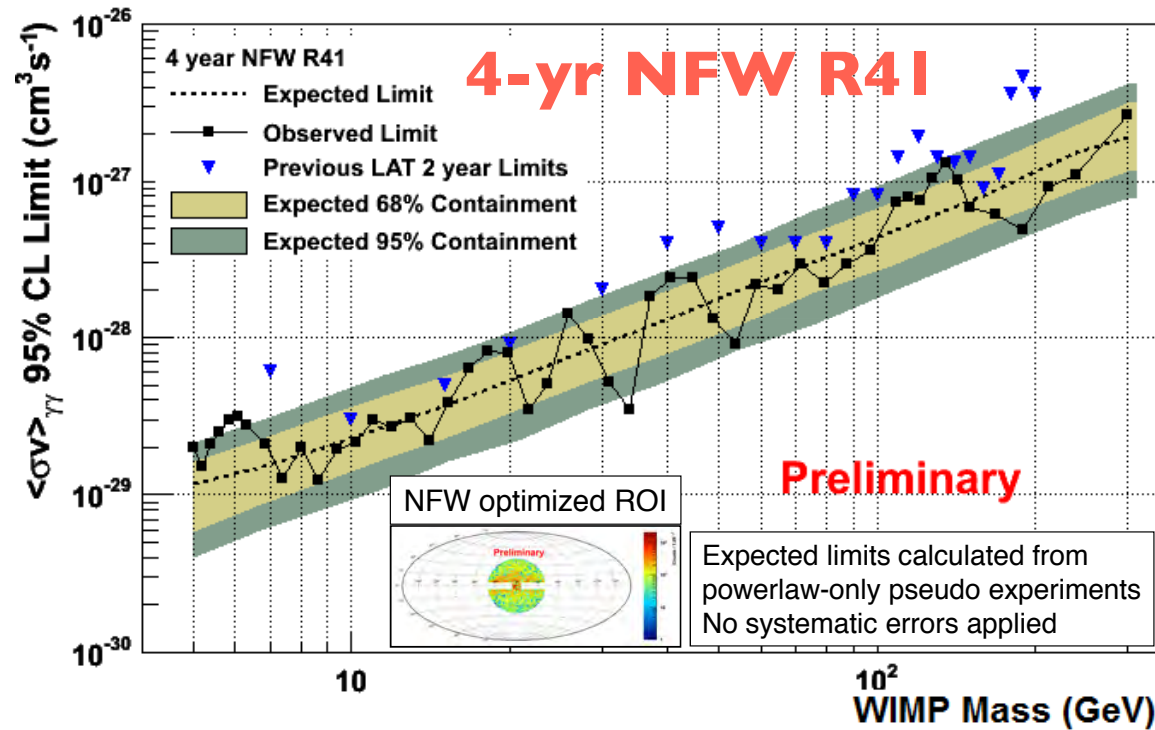


*Ackerman et al (Fermi-LAT) 2012*

# 135 GeV gamma-ray line?

Bloom et al  
(Fermi-LAT)  
2012

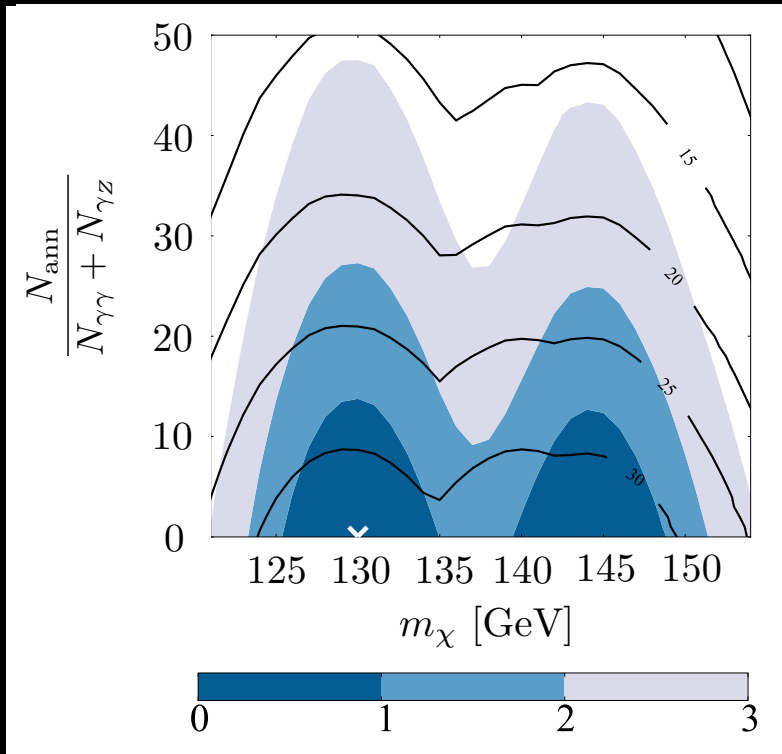
Albert et al  
(Fermi-LAT)  
2012



# 135 GeV gamma-ray line?

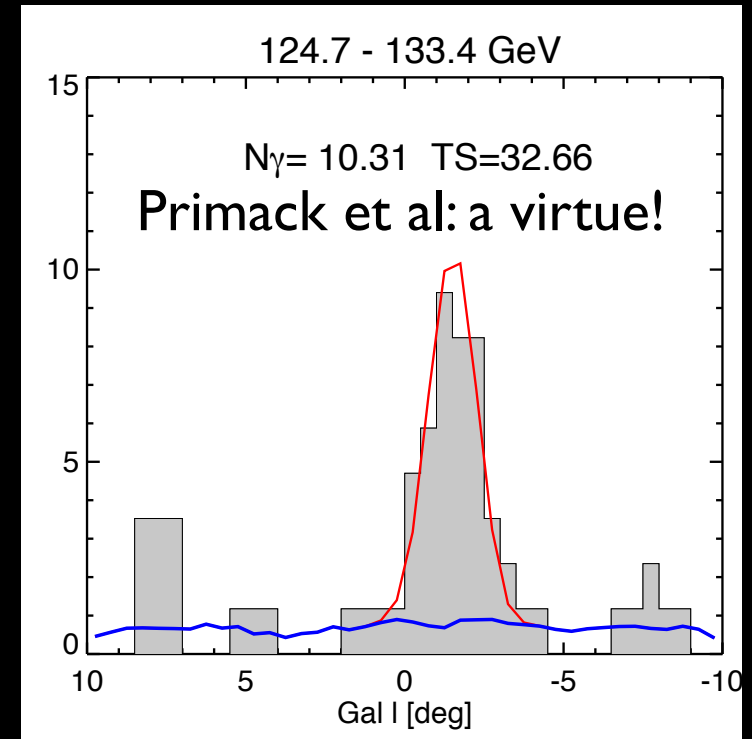
## Difficulties.....

suppressed continuum

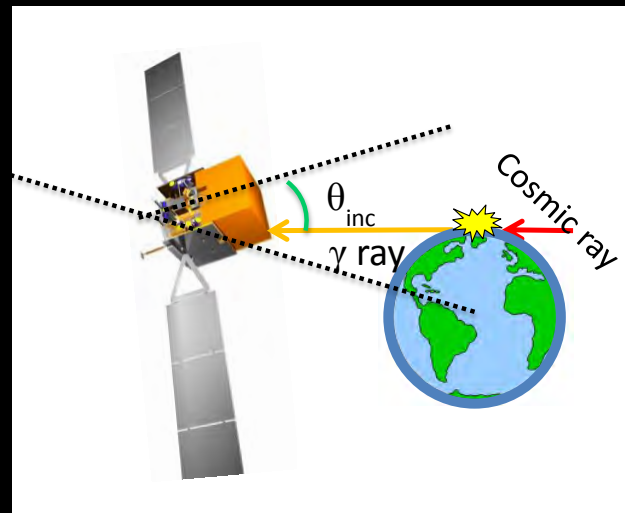


*Cohen, Lisanti, Slatyer, Wacker 2012*

off from Galactic Center



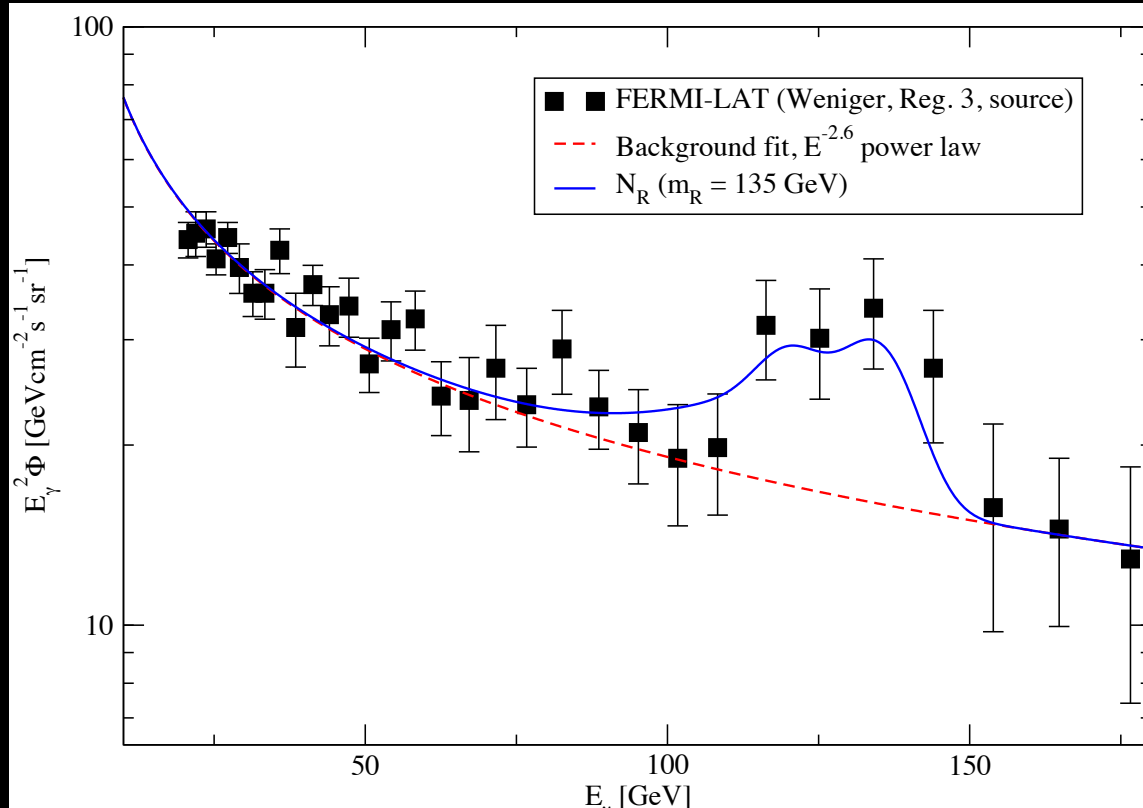
*Su, Finkbeiner 2012*



Earth limb data  
set shows pile-up  
at 130 GeV

# 135 GeV gamma-ray line: particle physics

## Leptonically-Interacting Massive Particles (LIMPs)



*Baltz, Bergstrom 2002;  
Bergstrom 1208.6082*

LIMPs predicted a  
gamma-ray line  
without a continuum

$$\mathcal{L}_{Zee} = f_{\alpha\beta} L_{\alpha}^T C i\tau_2 L_{\beta} S^+ + \mu \Phi_1^T i\tau_2 \Phi_2 S^- + \text{h.c.}$$

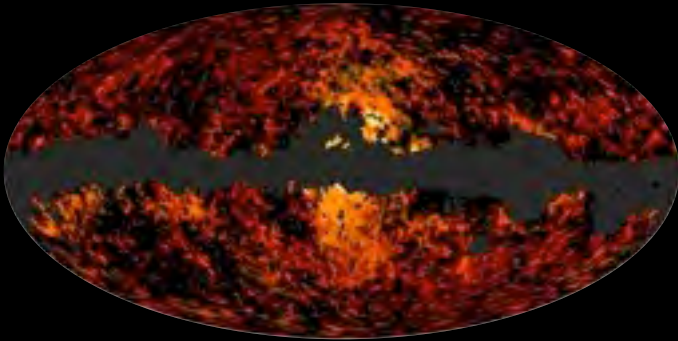
*Zee 1980*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{KNT}} = & f_{\alpha\beta} L_{\alpha}^T C i\tau_2 L_{\beta} S_1^+ + g_{\alpha} N_R S_2^+ l_{\alpha R} \\ & + M_R N_R^T C N_R + V(S_1, S_2) + \text{h.c.} , \end{aligned}$$

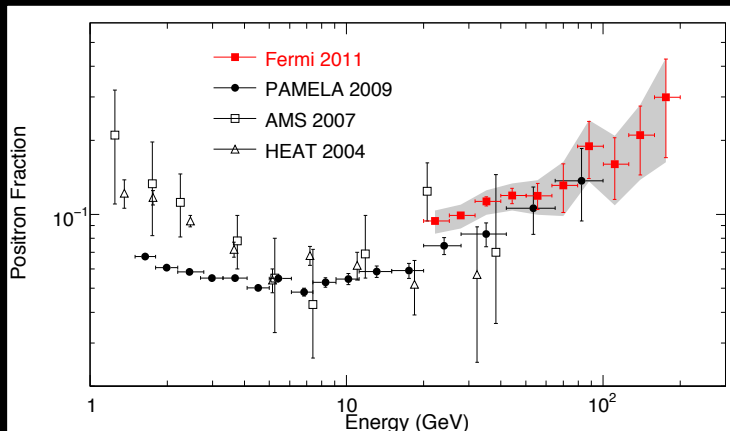
*Krauss, Nasri, Trodden 2002*

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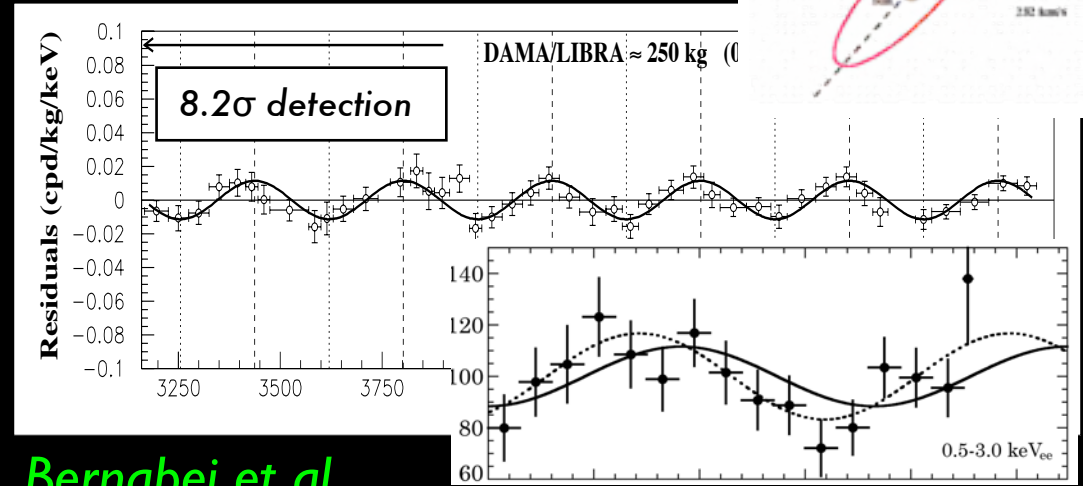
Positron excess



Adriani et al 2009; Ackerman et al 2011; Aguilar et al 2013

Annual modulation

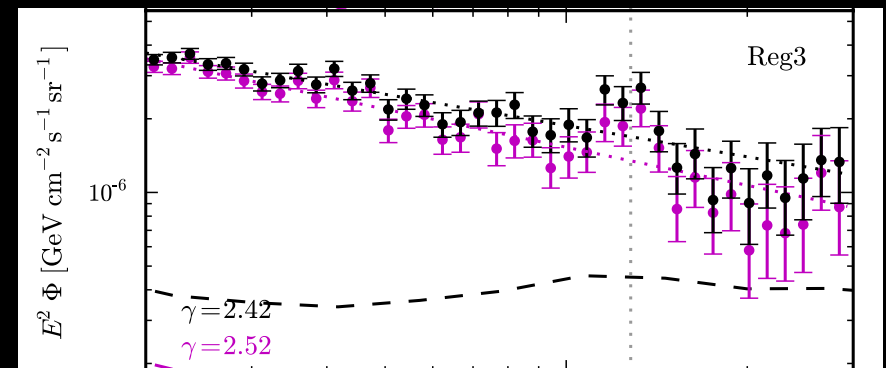
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*Bernabei et al 1997-2012*

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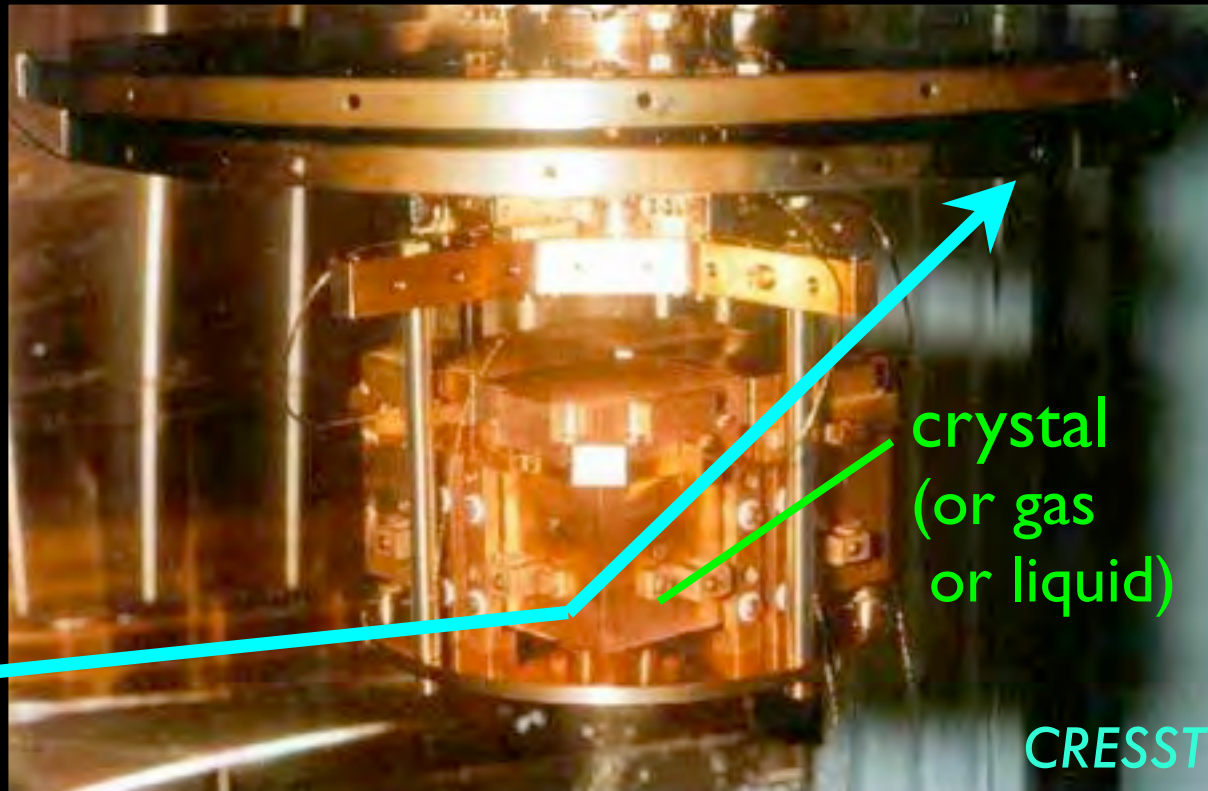


# The principle of direct detection

Dark matter particles that arrive on Earth  
scatter off nuclei in a detector

Goodman,  
Witten  
1985

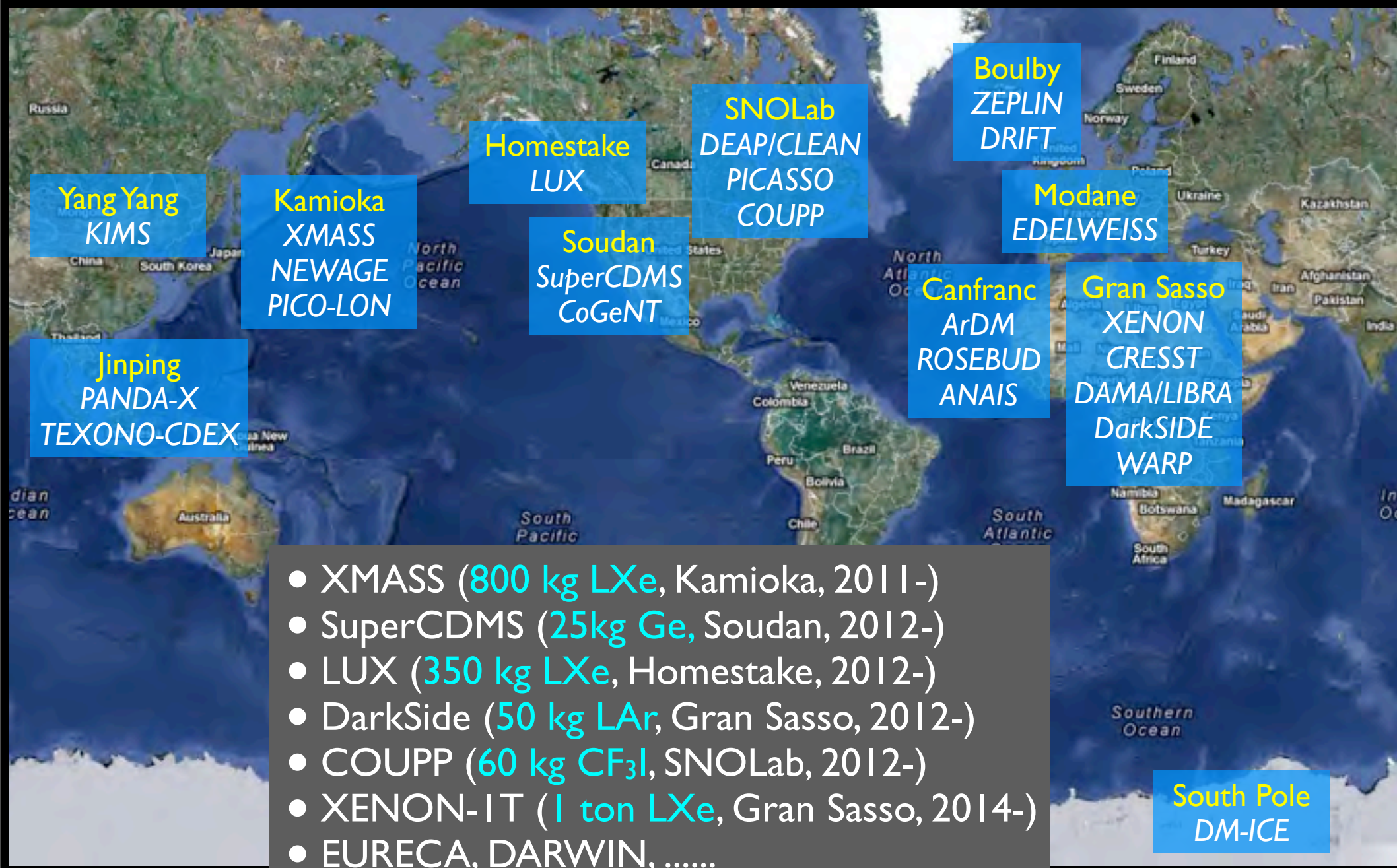
Dark  
matter  
particle



Low-background underground detector

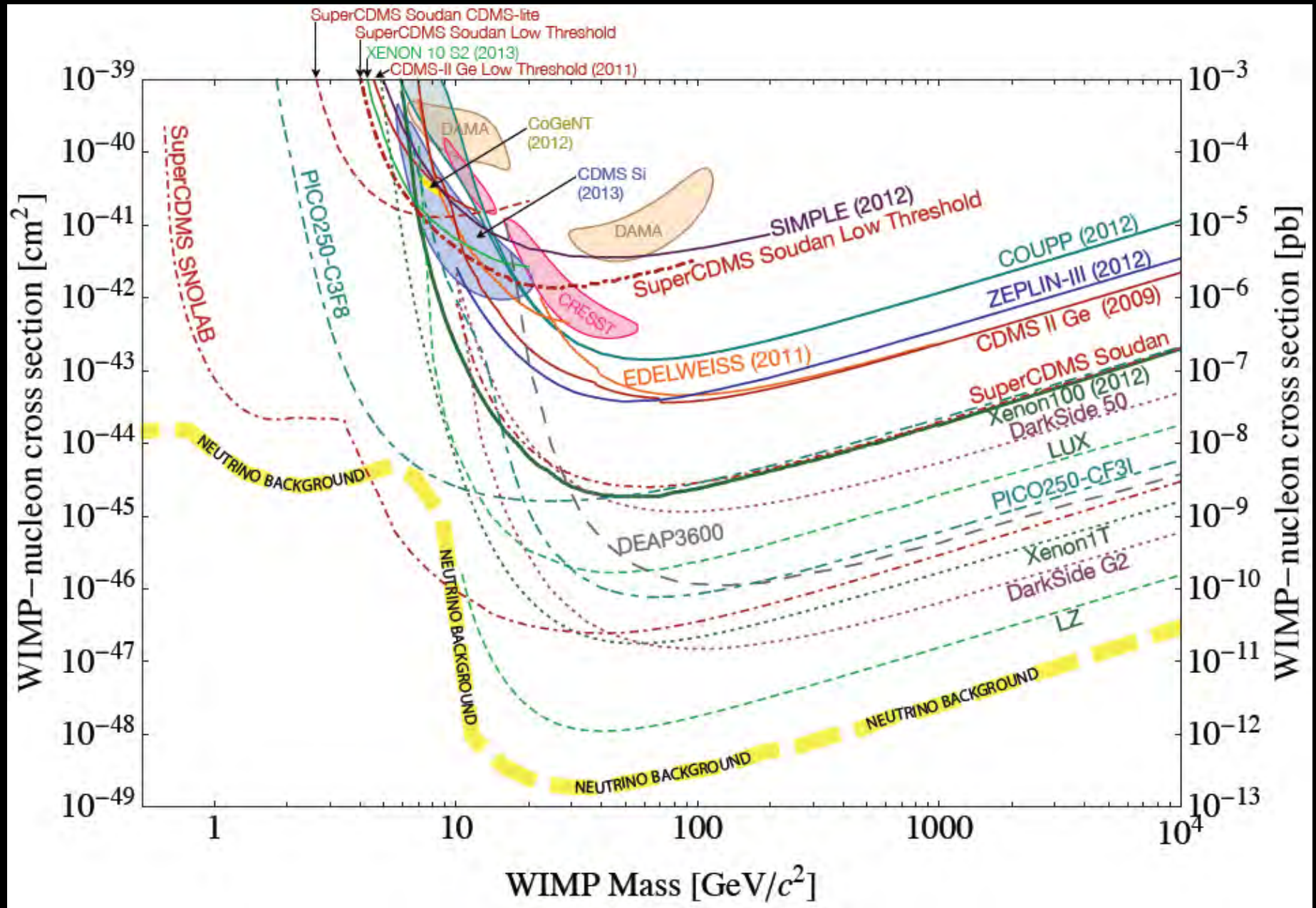
CDMS  
EDELWEISS  
DAMA  
CRESST  
KIMS  
DRIFT  
XENON  
COUPP  
CoGeNT  
TARP  
DMTPC  
TEXONO  
PANDA-X  
.....

# Direct dark matter searches (2013)



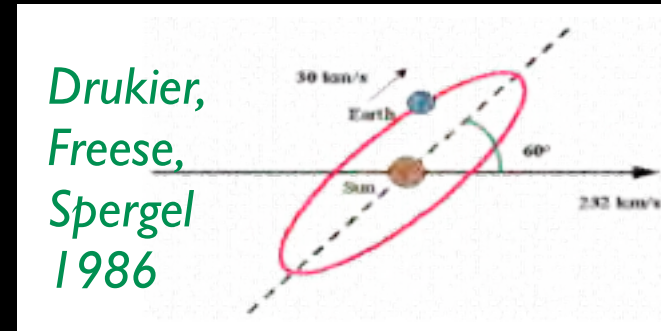
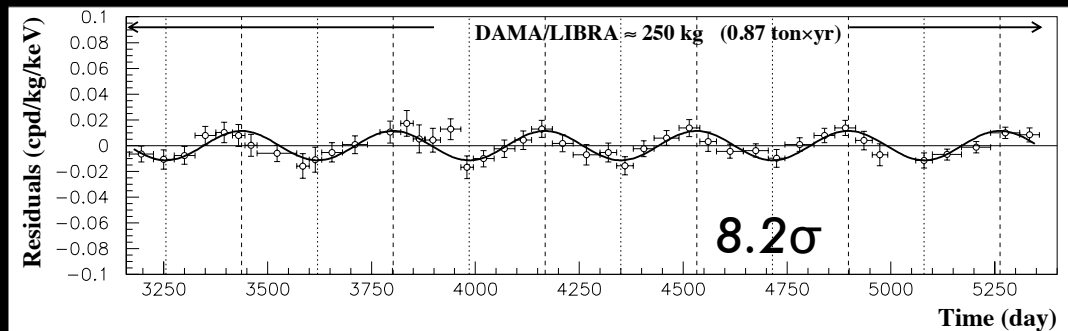


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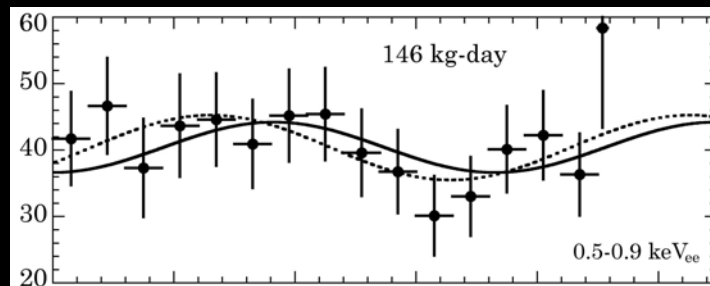
Billard, Strigari, Feliciano-Figueroa 2013 + Feng, Ritz (Snowmass 2013)

# Evidence for light dark matter particles?



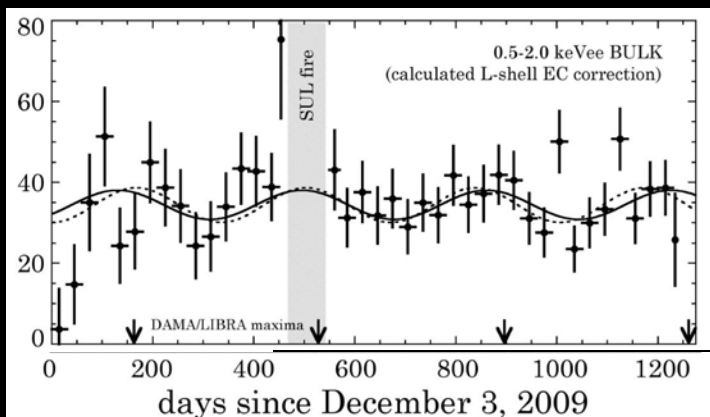
Bernabei et al (DAMA) 1997-10

Annually modulated.....



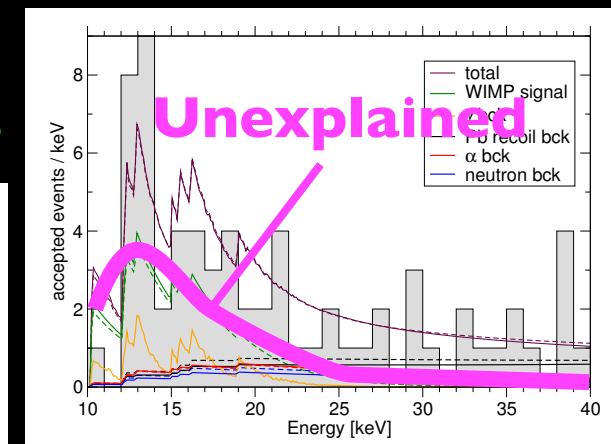
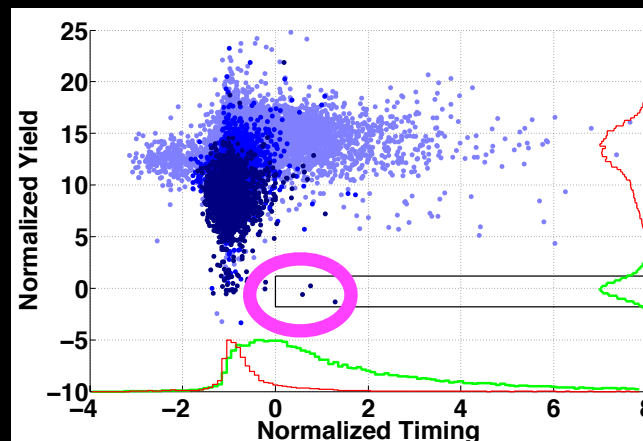
Aalseth et al  
(CoGeNT)  
1106.0650

.....and unmodulated



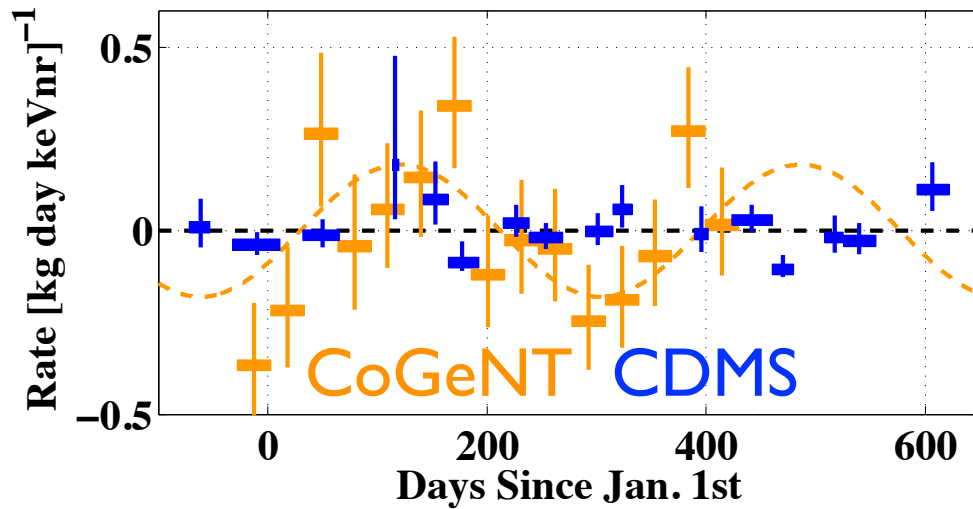
Collar (CoGeNT) 2013

Agnese et al (CDMS) 2013



Anglehor et al (CRESST) 2011

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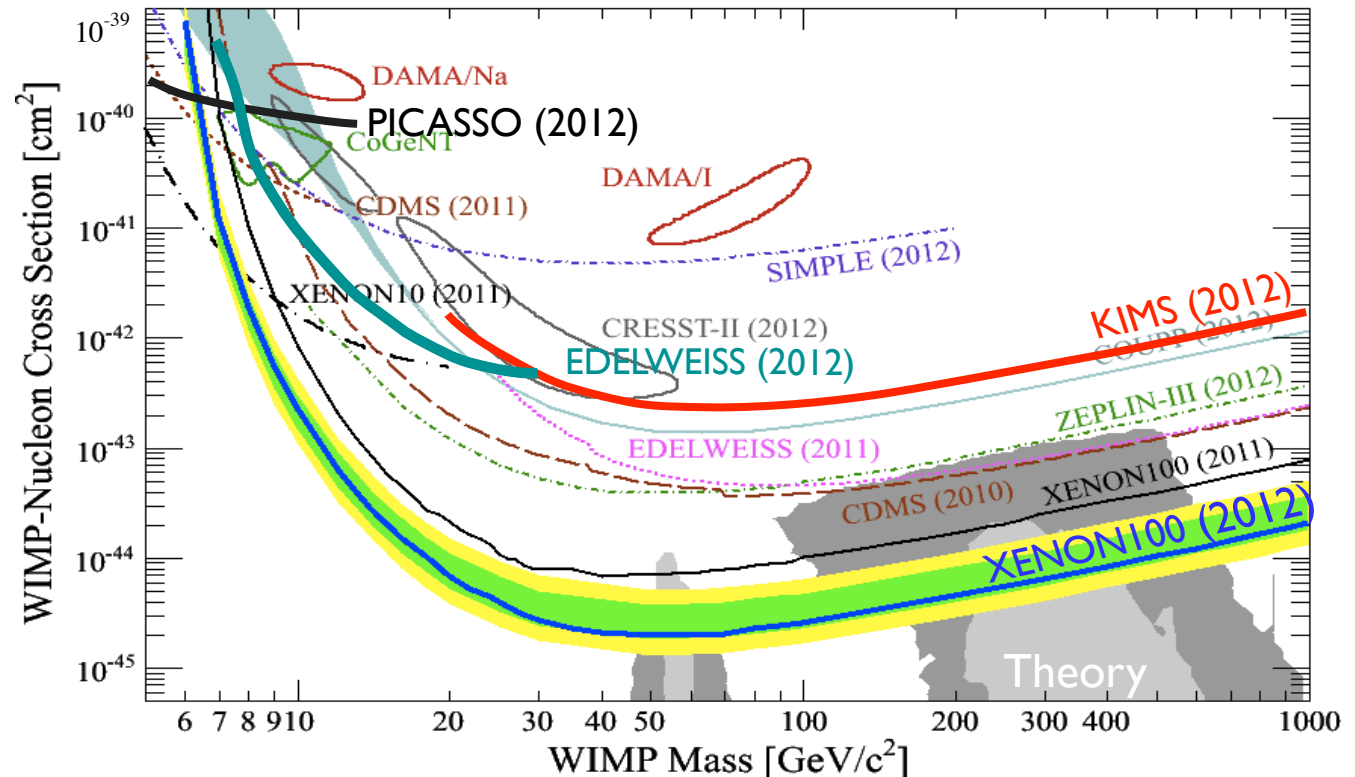
No significant modulation

Same target material

Ahmed et al (CDMS)  
1203.1309

Not so many events

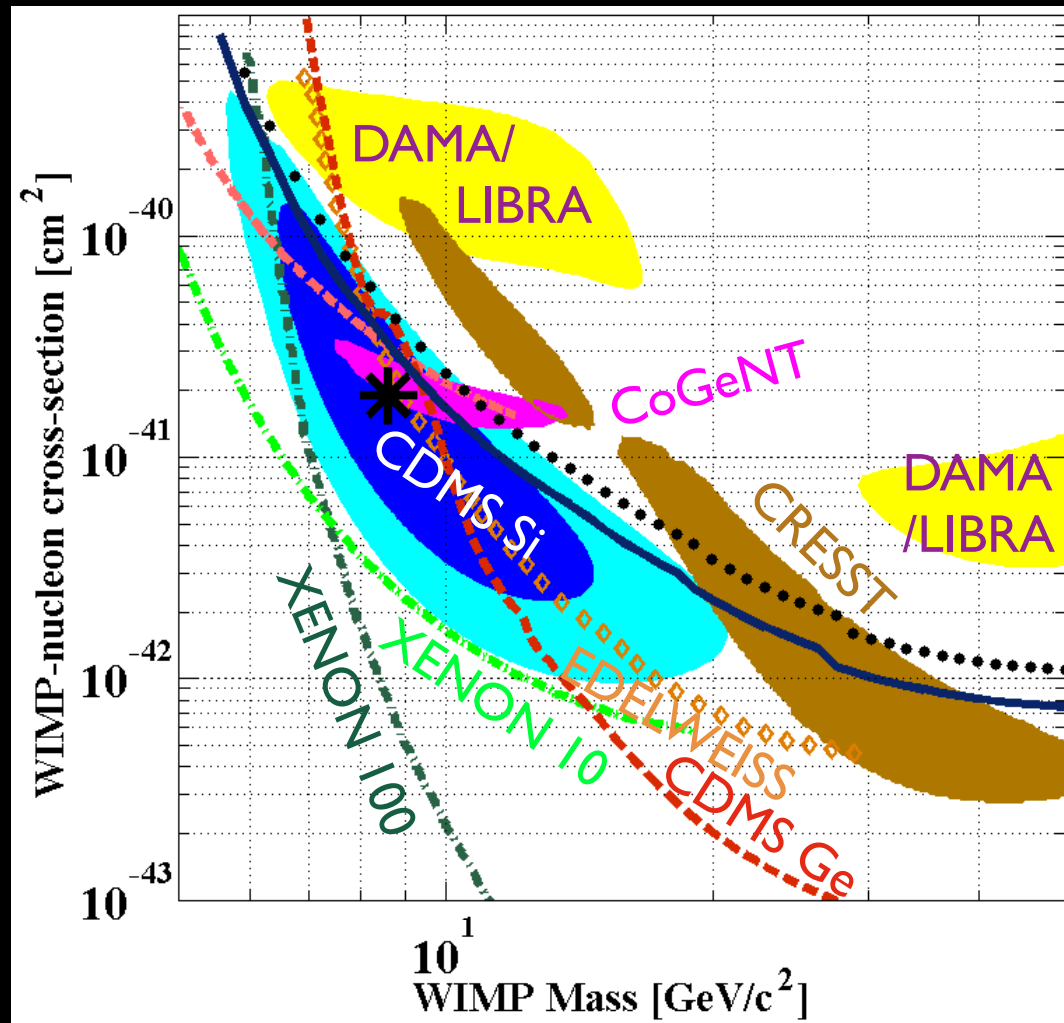
Adapted from Aprile et al (XENON-100) 2012



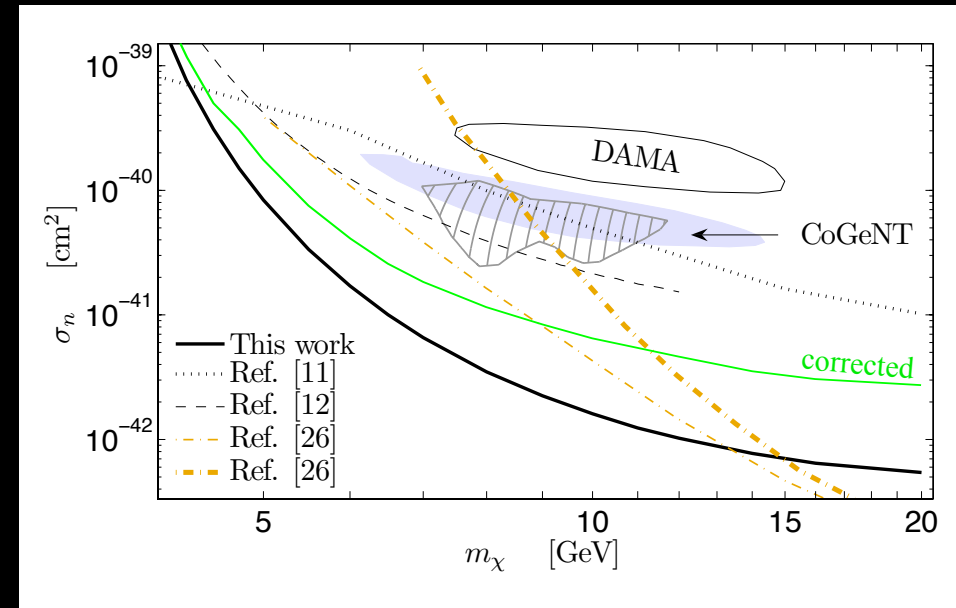
# Evidence for light dark matter particles?

Angle et al (XENON10) 2013

3 events in CDMS-Si



Agnese et al (CDMS) 2013



XENON10 bound weaker

CDMS Si (2013)  
CDMS Si (all)

# Evidence for light dark matter particles?

## Annual modulation in 3.4 yr of CoGeNT

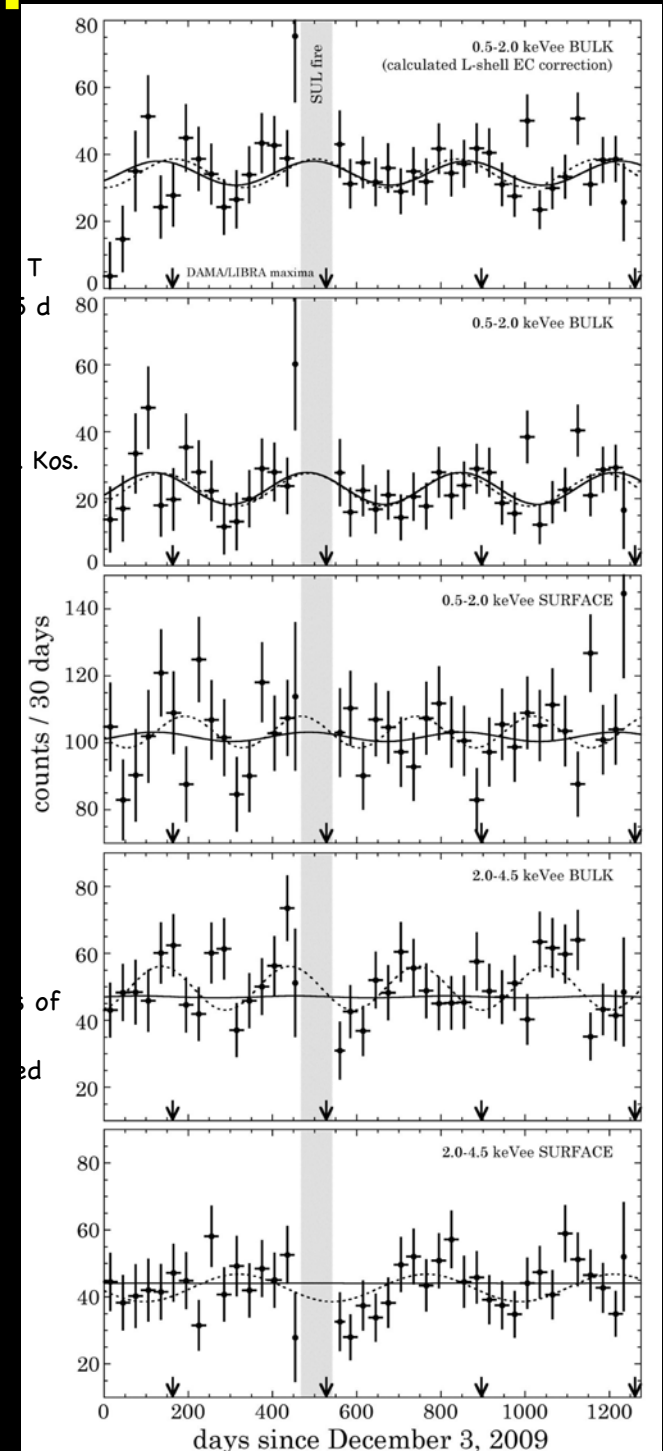
Annual modulation exclusively at low energy and for bulk events.

Best-fit phase consistent with DAMA/LIBRA

Unoptimized frequentist analysis yields  $\sim 2.2\sigma$  preference over null hypothesis

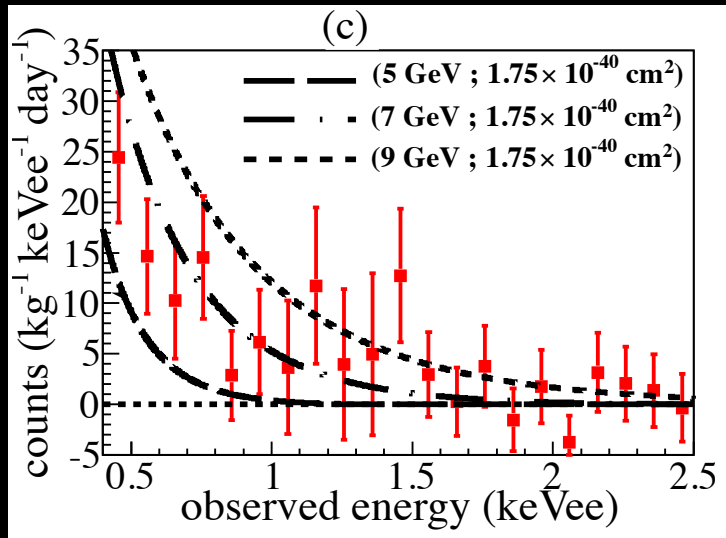
Modulation amplitude is 4-7 times larger than in the standard halo model

*Collar (CoGeNT) at TAUP 2013*



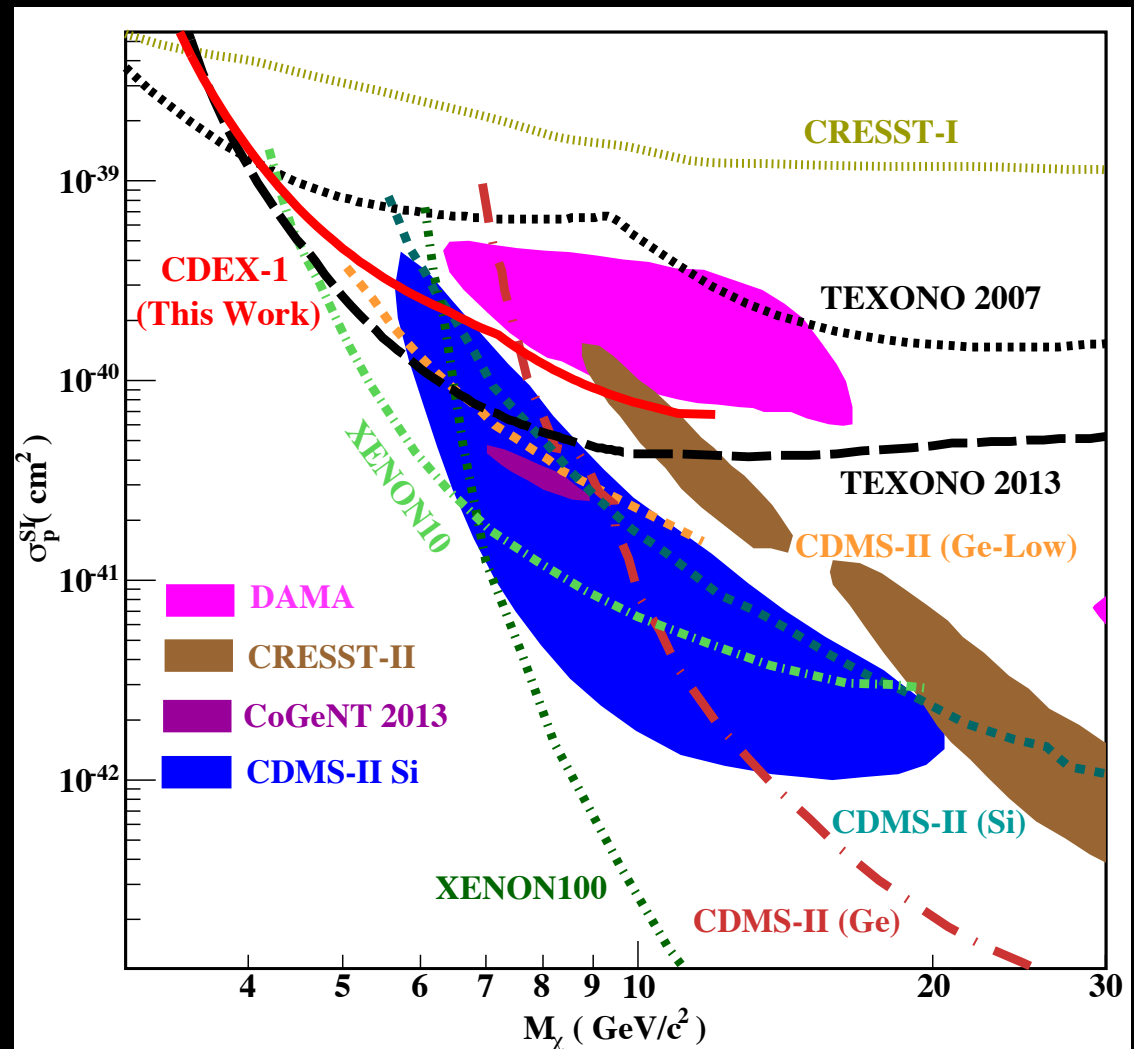


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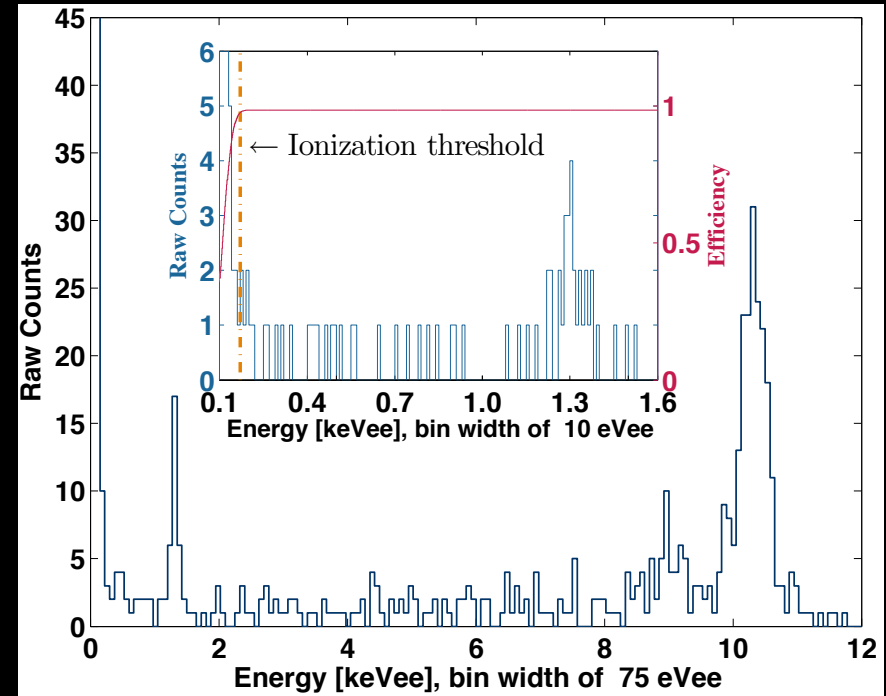
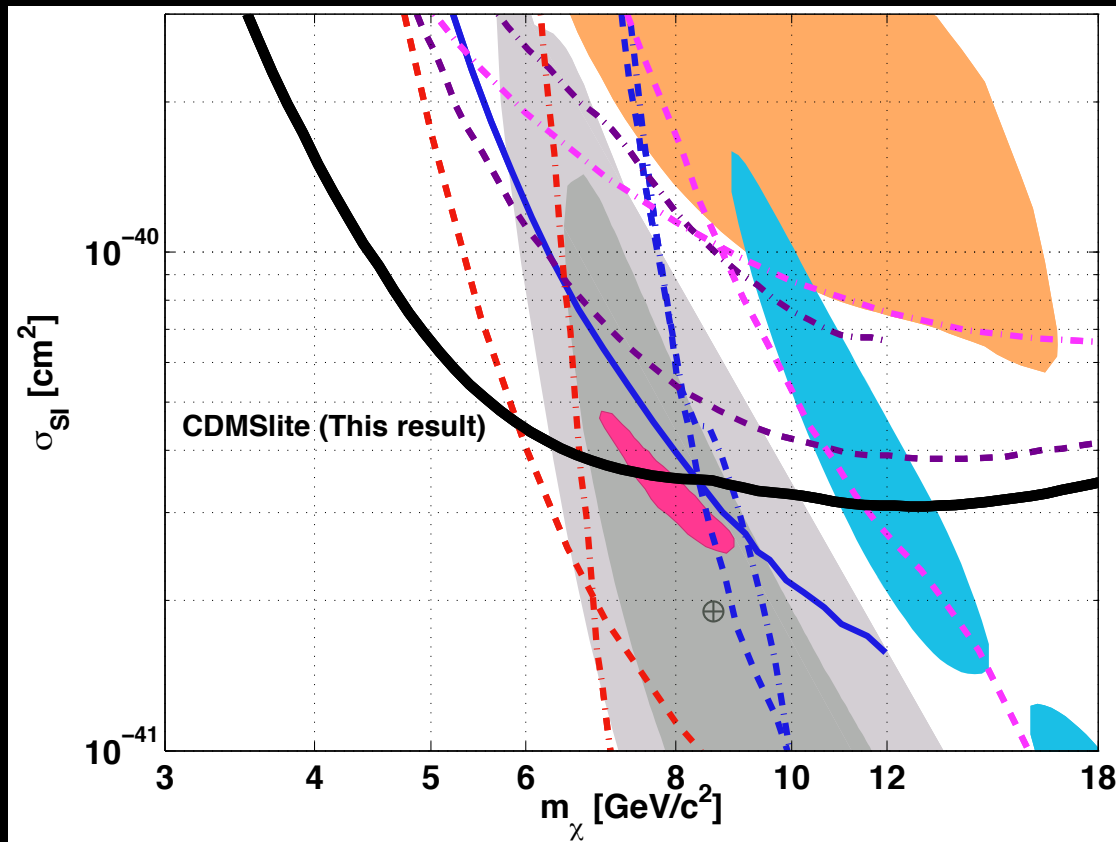
Upper bound  
from CDEX  
(same target as  
CoGeNT and  
CDMS-Ge)

*Zhao et al (CDEX) 2013*



# Evidence for light dark matter particles?

Upper bound  
from CDMSlite  
(low ionization  
threshold experiment)



Hall at TAUP2013

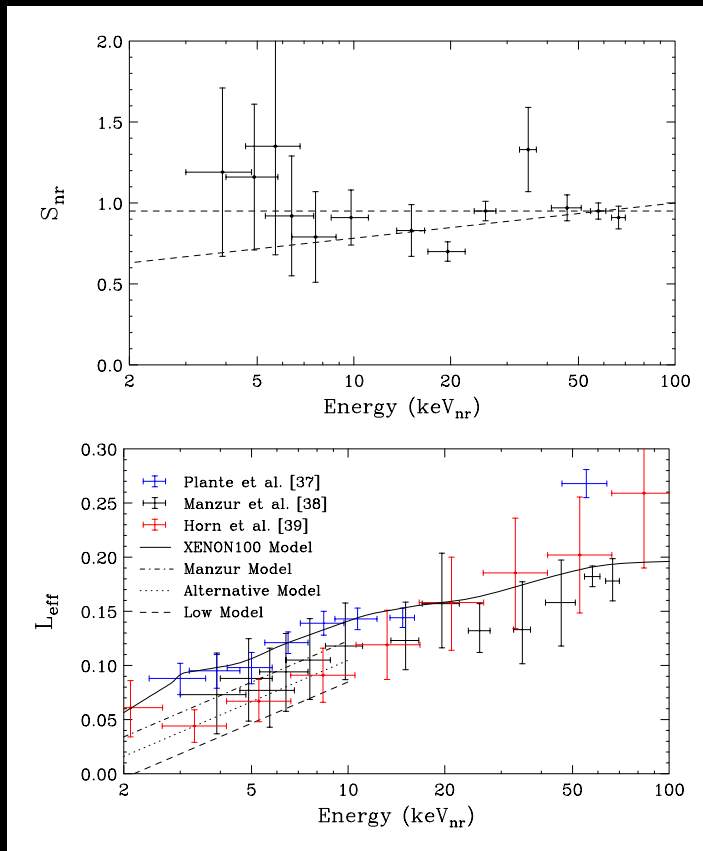
Agnese et al (CDMS) 1309.3259

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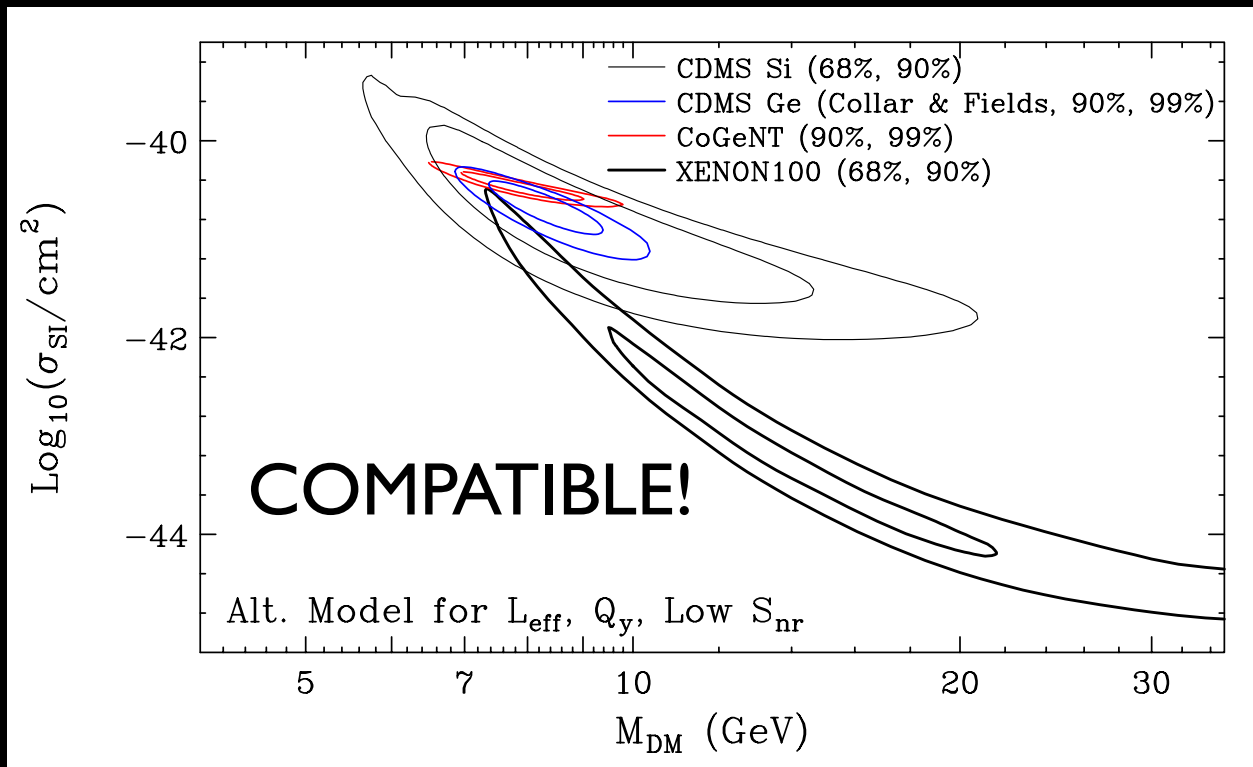
Hooper 2013

XENON100 detects events too!

*Is XENON100's sensitivity overestimated?*



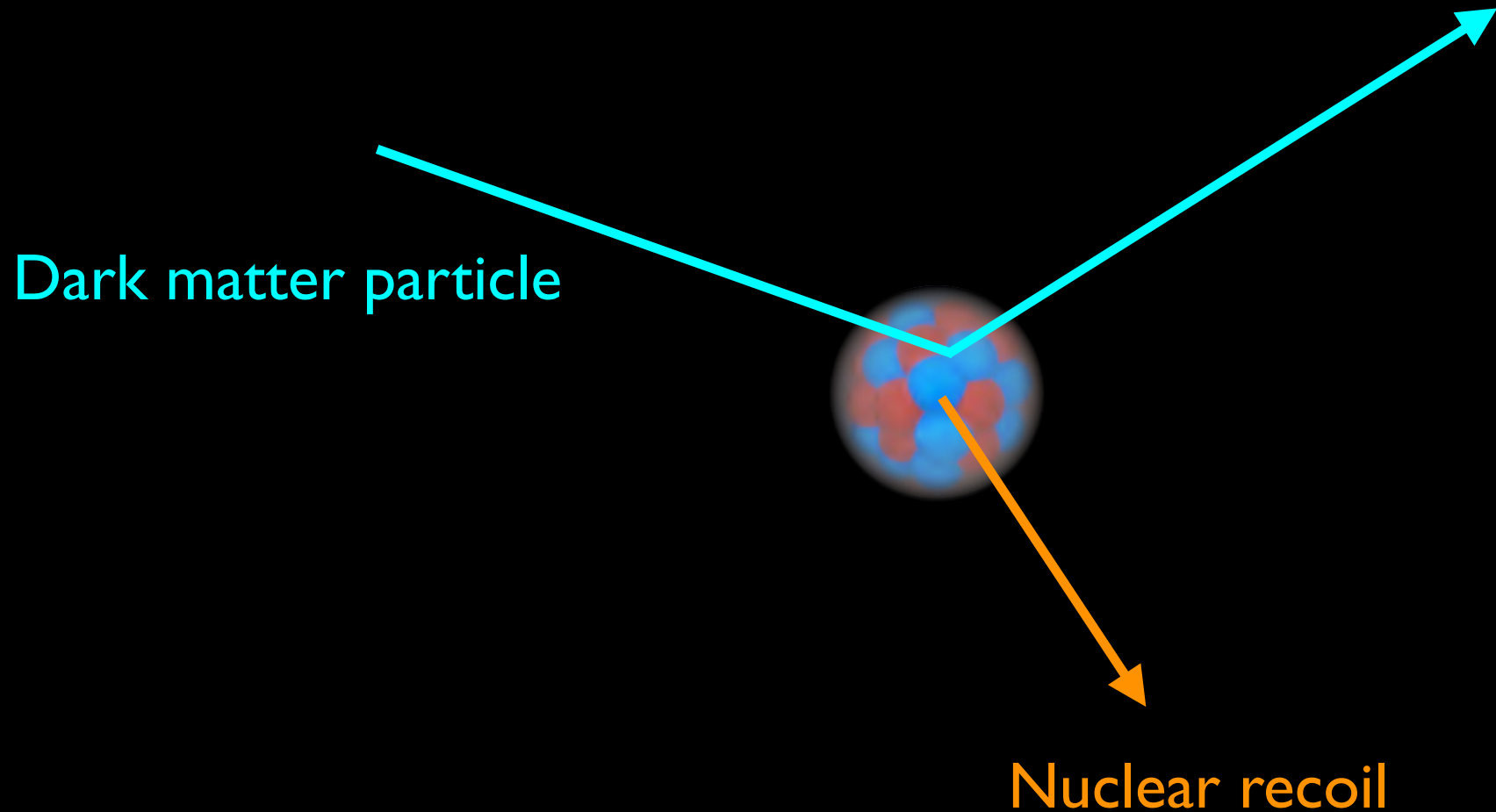
“We consider DAMA/  
LIBRA and CRESST-II  
more difficult to  
interpret at this time”





# DM-nucleus elastic scattering

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{event} \\ \text{rate} \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{detector} \\ \text{response} \end{array} \right) \times \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{particle} \\ \text{physics} \end{array} \right) \times (\text{astrophysics})$$



# Particle physics model

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{event} \\ \text{rate} \end{pmatrix} = \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} \text{detector} \\ \text{response} \end{pmatrix}} \times \begin{pmatrix} \text{particle} \\ \text{physics} \end{pmatrix} \times (\text{astrophysics})$$

***Is a nuclear recoil detectable?***

Counting efficiency, energy resolution, scintillation response, etc.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{detector} \\ \text{response} \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{G}(E, E_R)$$

*Probability of detecting an event with energy (or number of photoelectrons)  $E$ , given an event occurred with recoil energy  $E_R$ .*

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## *What force couples dark matter to nuclei?*

Coupling to nucleon number density, nucleon spin density, ...

The diagram illustrates the components of the particle physics term in the event rate equation. It features the equation  $\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{particle} \\ \text{physics} \end{array}\right) = \frac{v^2}{m} \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R}$  with four callout boxes: 'WIMP speed' pointing to  $v$ , 'WIMP-nucleus cross section: spin-independent, spin-dependent, electric, magnetic, ...' pointing to  $d\sigma$ , 'WIMP mass' pointing to  $m$ , and 'Nucleus recoil energy' pointing to  $E_R$ .

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{particle} \\ \text{physics} \end{array}\right) = \frac{v^2}{m} \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R}$$

*WIMP speed*

*WIMP-nucleus cross section:  
spin-independent, spin-dependent,  
electric, magnetic, ...*

*WIMP mass*

*Nucleus recoil energy*

# Astrophysics model

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{event} \\ \text{rate} \end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{detector} \\ \text{response} \end{array}\right) \times \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{particle} \\ \text{physics} \end{array}\right) \times \boxed{\text{(astrophysics)}}$$

*How much dark matter comes to Earth?*

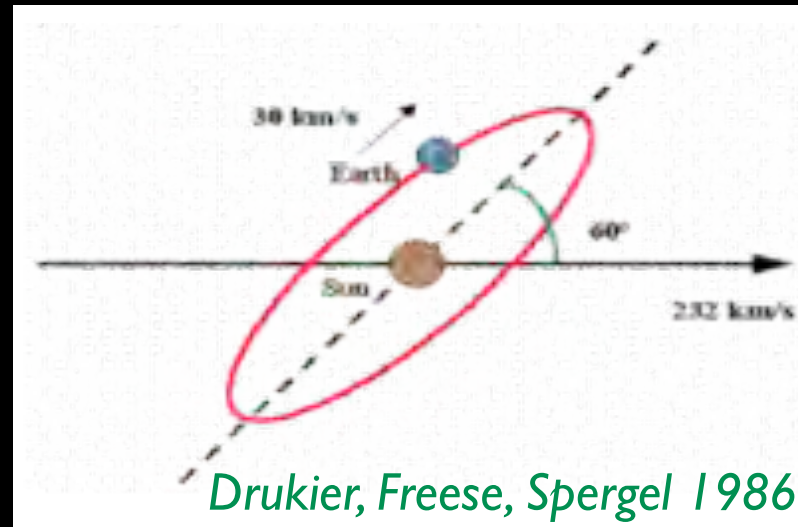
$$\text{(astrophysics)} = \eta(v_{\min}, t) \equiv \rho_{\chi} \int_{v > v_{\min}} \frac{f(\mathbf{v}, t)}{v} d^3v$$

*Local halo density*

*Velocity distribution*

*Minimum WIMP speed to impart recoil energy  $E_R$*   
$$v_{\min} = (ME_R/\mu + \delta)/\sqrt{2ME_R}$$

# Annual modulation



$$\eta(v_{\min}, t) = \eta_0(v_{\min}) + \eta_1(v_{\min}) \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$$

$$\frac{dR}{dE} = S_0(E) + S_1(E) \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$$

Unmodulated signal

Modulation amplitude

# Recoil spectrum

The recoil spectrum (scattering rate per unit target mass)

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{1}{m_T} \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \int_{v > v_{\min}} v^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \frac{f(\mathbf{v})}{v} d^3\mathbf{v}$$

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Traditionally,  $v^2 d\sigma/dE_R = \text{const} \times (\text{nuclear form factor})$ , with the same coupling to protons and neutrons (**spin-independent case**)

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{A^2 F^2(E_R)}{2\mu_{\chi p}^2} \tilde{\eta}(v_{\min})$$

$$\text{with } \tilde{\eta}(v_{\min}) = \frac{\sigma_{\chi p}}{m_\chi} \eta(v_{\min}) = \sigma_{\chi p} \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \int_{v_{\min}}^{\infty} \frac{f(\mathbf{v})}{v} d^3v$$

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In trying to explain the data, **modify the cross section**

- set different couplings to neutrons and protons (“isospin-violating”)
- put additional velocity or energy dependence in  $v^2 d\sigma/dE_R$

or **modify the velocity distribution.**



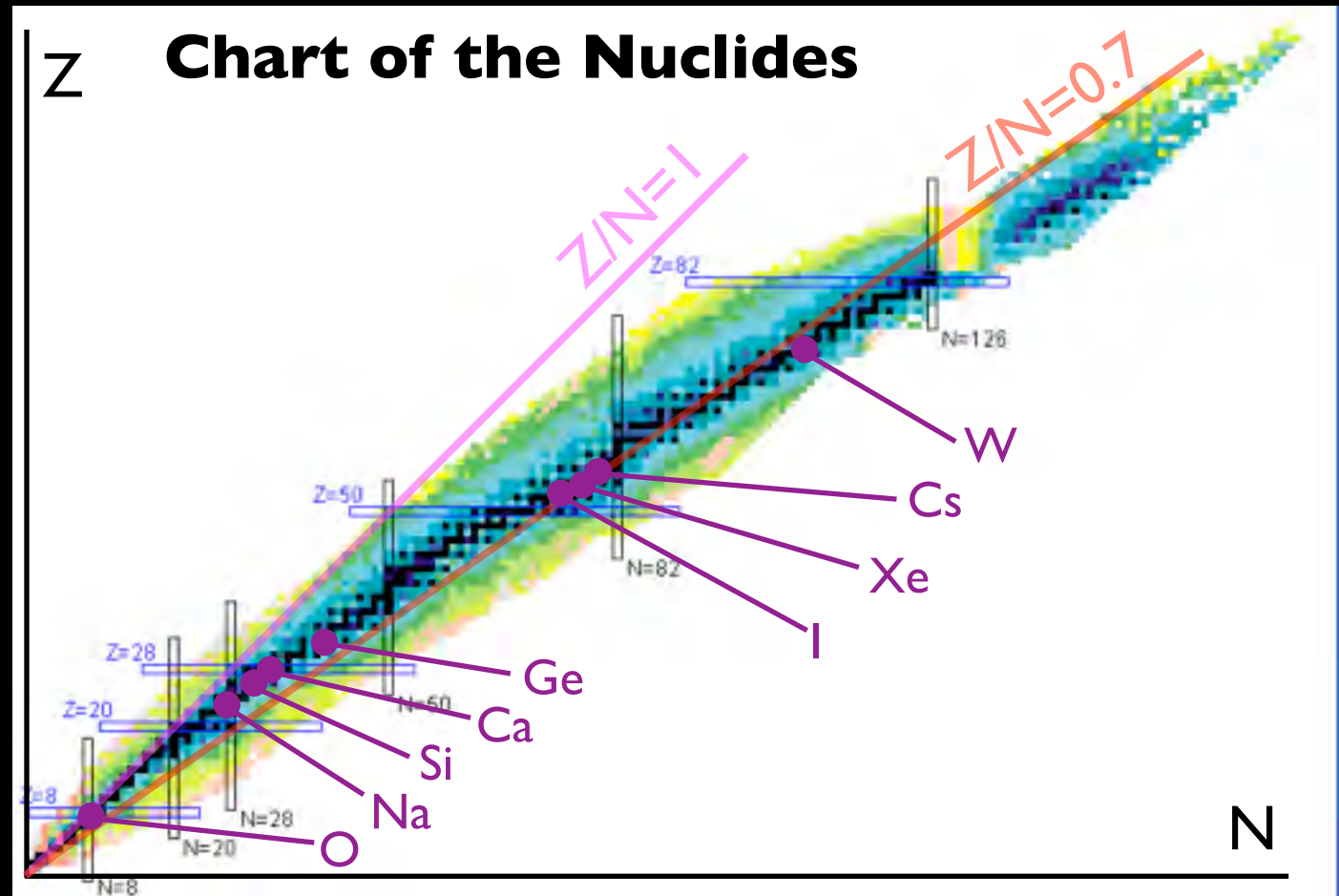
# Isospin-violating dark matter

Spin-independent couplings to protons stronger than to neutrons allow modulation signals compatible with other null searches

Kurylov, Kamionkowski 2003; Giuliani 2005; Cotta et al 2009; Chang et al 2010; Kang et al 2010; Feng et al 2011; Del Nobile et al 2011; .....

coupling  $Nf_n + Zf_p \approx 0$  for  $f_n/f_p \approx -Z/N$

Why  $f_n/f_p = -0.7$  suppresses the coupling to Xe



# Particle physics model

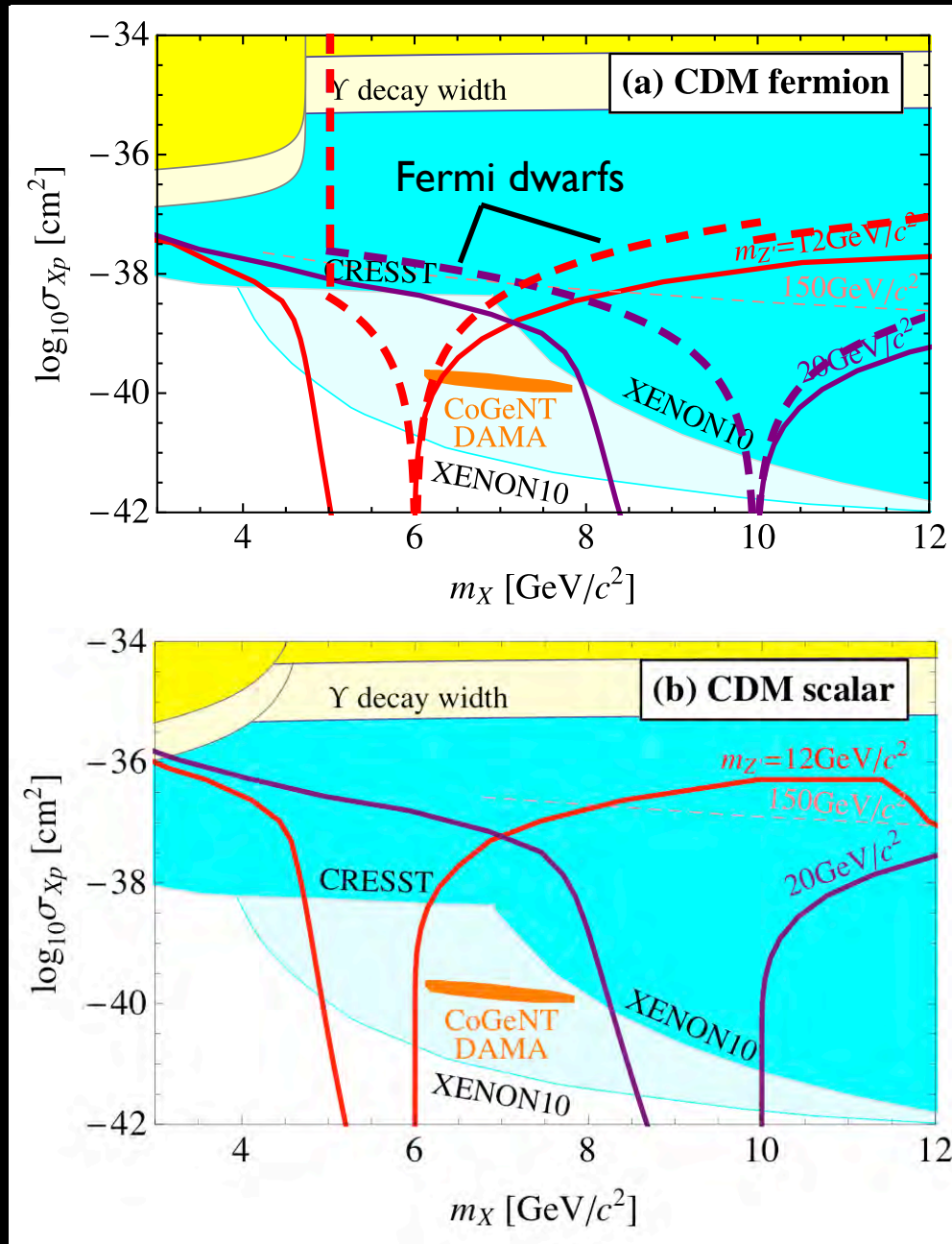
Energy and/or velocity dependent scattering cross sections

| nucleus  | DM       | $v^2 d\sigma/dE_R$       |                |
|----------|----------|--------------------------|----------------|
|          |          | light mediator           | heavy mediator |
| “charge” | “charge” | $1/E_R^2$                | $1/M^4$        |
| “charge” | dipole   | $1/E_R$                  | $E_R/M^4$      |
| dipole   | dipole   | $\text{const} + E_R/v^2$ | $E_R^2/M^4$    |

*All terms may be multiplied by nuclear or DM form factors  $F(E_R)$*

*See e.g. Barger, Keung, Marfatia 2010; Fornengo, Panci, Regis 2011; An et al 2011*

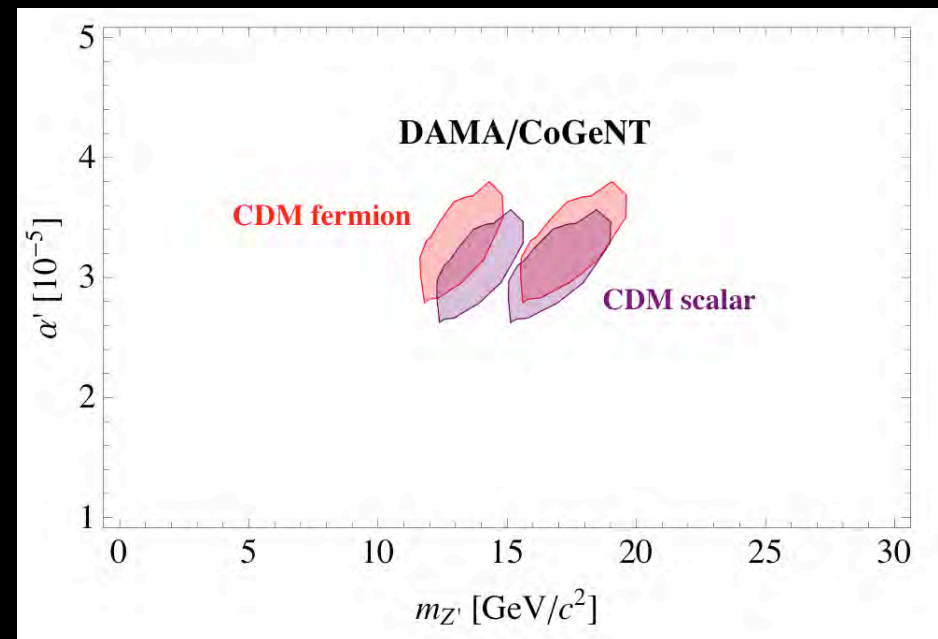
# Light WIMPs with light $Z'$ boson



## Example: Leptophobic $Z'$

- An extra U(1) gauge boson  $Z'$  coupled to quarks but no leptons, with no significant kinetic mixing
- Works for  $m_{Z'} \sim 10\text{-}20 \text{ GeV}$  and  $\alpha' \sim 10^{-5}$

*Gondolo, Ko, Omura 2011*



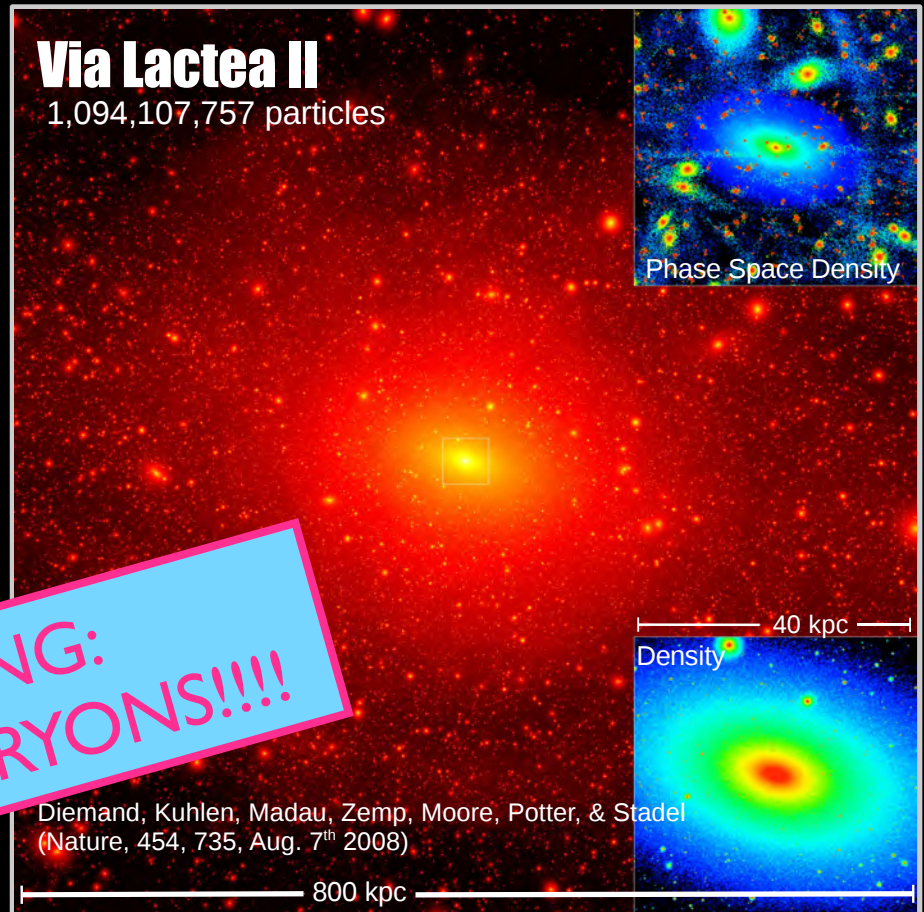


# Astrophysics model: velocity distribution

We know very little  
about the dark matter  
velocity distribution



**WARNING:  
NO BARYONS!!!!**



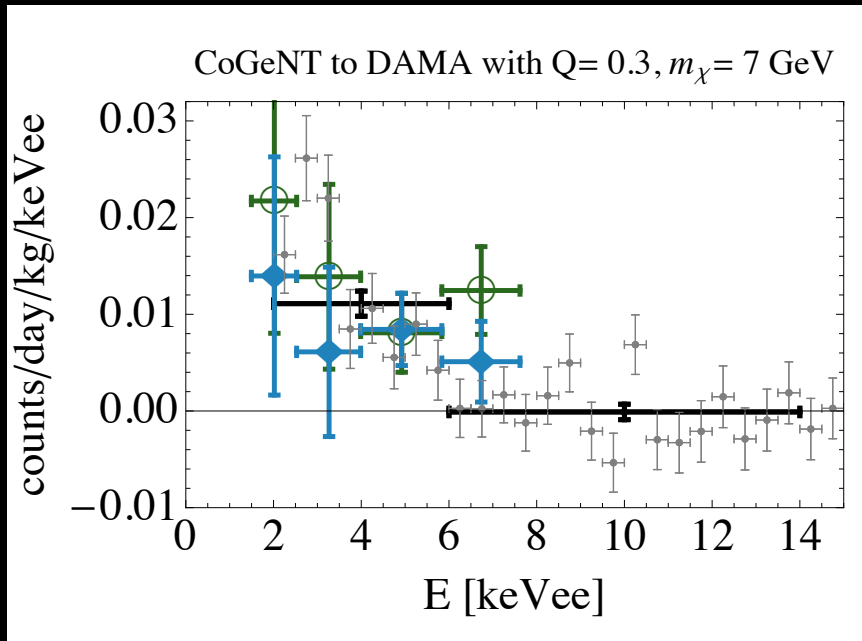
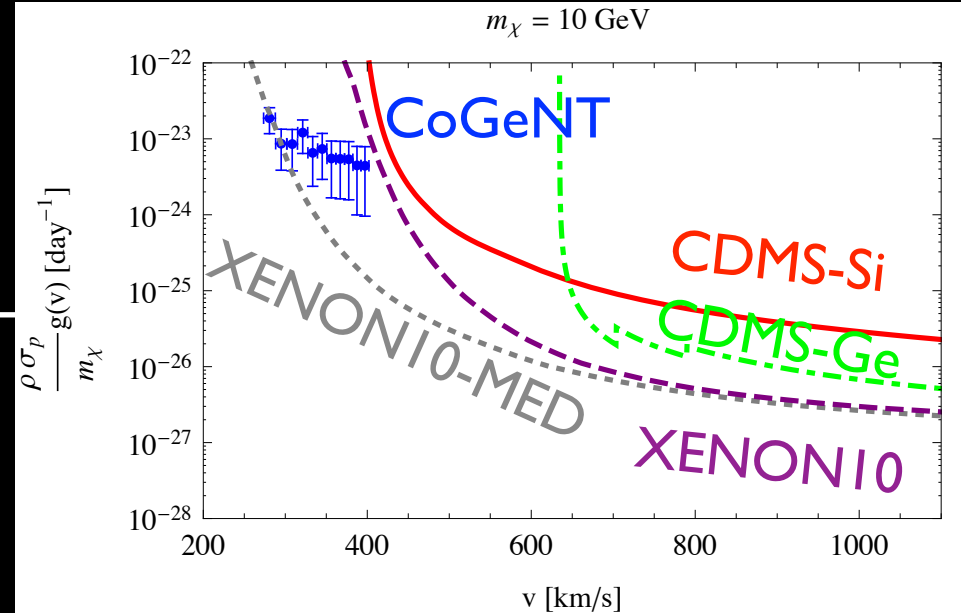
*Cosmological N-Body  
simulations including  
baryons are challenging*

# Astrophysics-independent approach

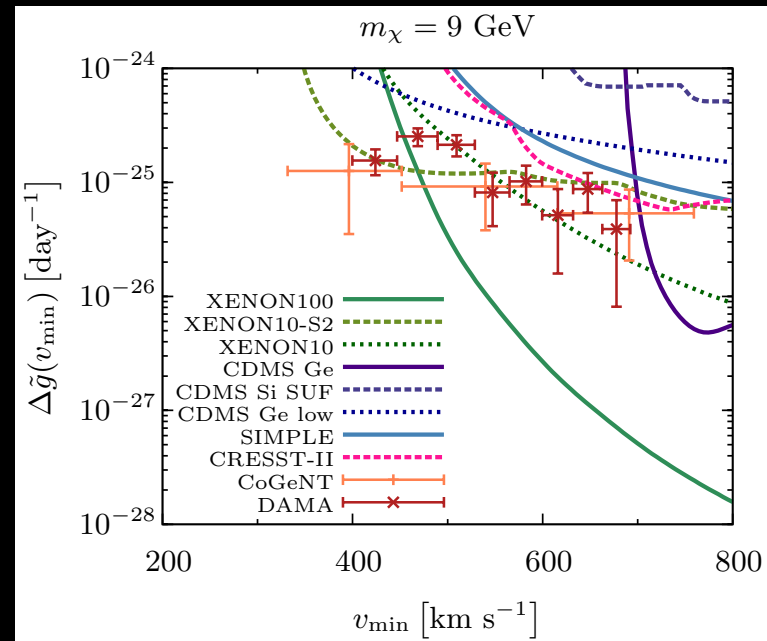
*Fox, Liu, Weiner 2011*

Rescaled astrophysics factor

$$\frac{\rho_\chi \sigma_{\chi p}}{m_\chi} \int_{v_{\min}}^{\infty} \frac{f(\mathbf{v})}{v} dv$$



*Fox, Kopp, Lisanti, Weiner 2011*

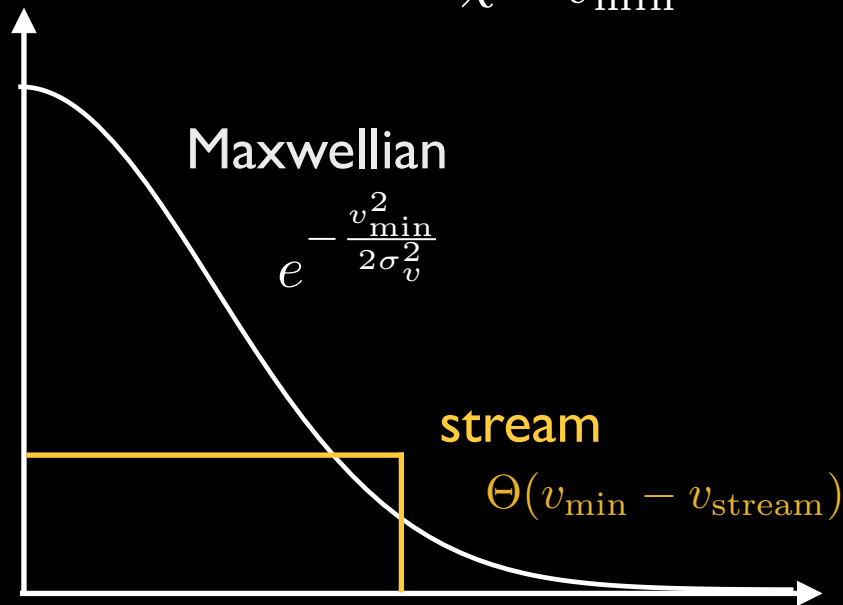


*Frandsen et al 2011*

# Astrophysics-independent approach

Rescaled astrophysics factor  
common to all experiments

$$\tilde{\eta}(v_{\min}) = \sigma_{\chi\text{p}} \frac{\rho_{\chi}}{m_{\chi}} \int_{v_{\min}}^{\infty} \frac{f(\mathbf{v})}{v} d^3v$$



Minimum WIMP speed  
to impart recoil energy  $E_R$

$$v_{\min} = \sqrt{\frac{m_T E_R}{2\mu_T^2}}$$

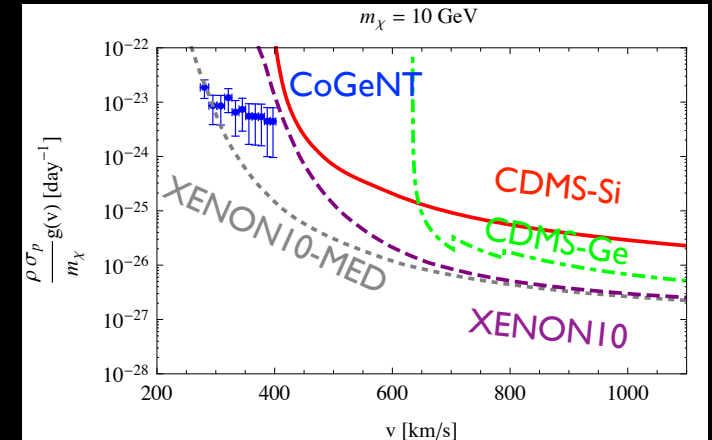
Recoil energy

# Astrophysics-independent approach

Extract  $\tilde{\eta}(v_{\min})$  from  $dR/dE_R$  (both measurements and upper limits).

*Fox, Liu, Weiner 2011*

$$\tilde{\eta}(v_{\min}) = \frac{2\mu_{\chi p}^2}{A^2 F^2(E_R)} \frac{dR}{dE_R}$$



Alternative approach: solve the recoil rate equation for  $f(\mathbf{v})$

*Fox, Kribs, Tait 2010*

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{1}{m_T} \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \int_{v > v_{\min}} v^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \frac{f(\mathbf{v})}{v} d^3\mathbf{v}$$

Requires derivatives of experimentally measured  $dR/dE_R$ , which is a notoriously unstable procedure.

# Astrophysics-independent approach

All these ideas refer to the recoil spectrum  $dR/dE_R$ , which is **not accessible to experiments** because of energy-dependent efficiencies and energy resolution, and the fact that often only part of the recoil energy is actually measured.

$$\frac{dR}{dE} = \int_0^\infty \mathcal{G}(E, E_R) \frac{dR}{dE_R} dE_R$$

*Measured energy*      *Effective energy response function*      *Recoil energy*

Use **quantities accessible to experiments**, i.e., include effective energy response function.

*Gondolo Gelmini 1202.6359*



# Astrophysics-independent approach

Include effective energy response function.

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Change variables:

$$v_{\min} = \sqrt{\frac{m_T E_R}{2\mu_T^2}}$$

*Minimum WIMP speed  
to impart recoil energy  $E_R$*

$$\tilde{\eta}(v_{\min}) = \sigma_{\text{ref}} \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi} \int_{v_{\min}}^{\infty} \frac{f(\mathbf{v})}{v} d^3v$$

*Constant reference cross section*

*Astrophysics factor, same for all  
direct detection experiments*

And integrate over measured energy intervals:

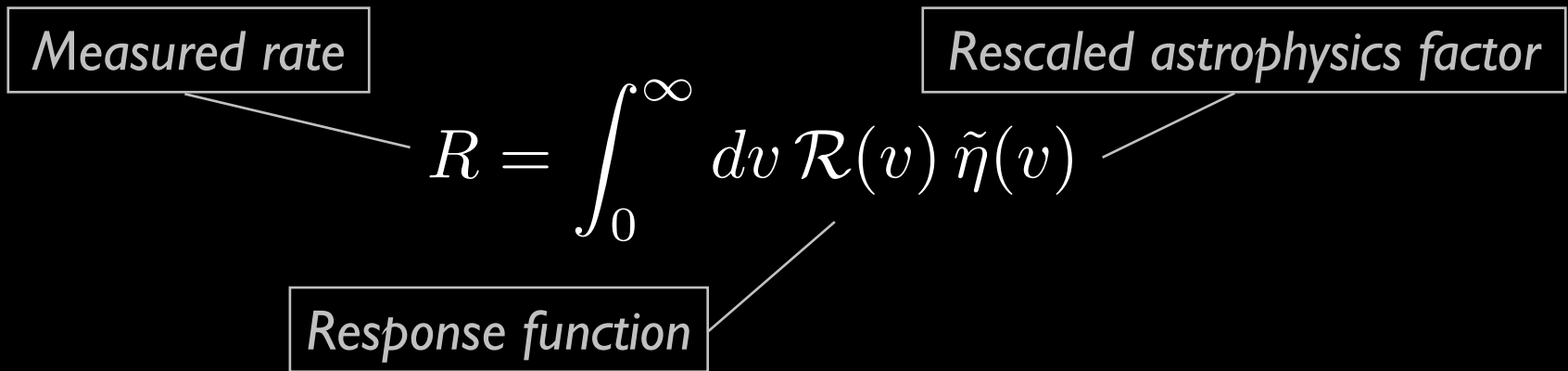
$$R_{[E_1, E_2]} = \int_{E_1}^{E_2} dE \frac{dR}{dE}$$

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- The measured rate is a “**weighted average**” of the astrophysical factor.


$$R = \int_0^\infty dv \mathcal{R}(v) \tilde{\eta}(v)$$

Measured rate

Response function

Rescaled astrophysics factor

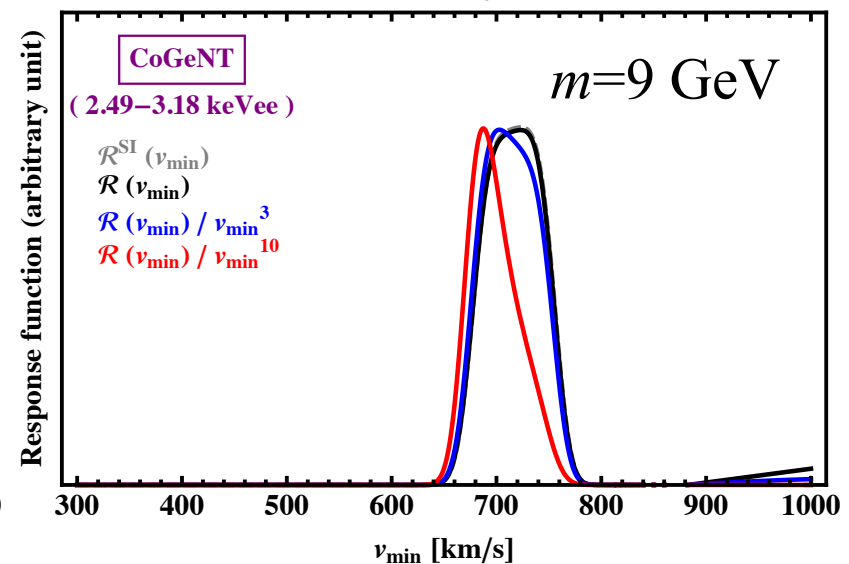
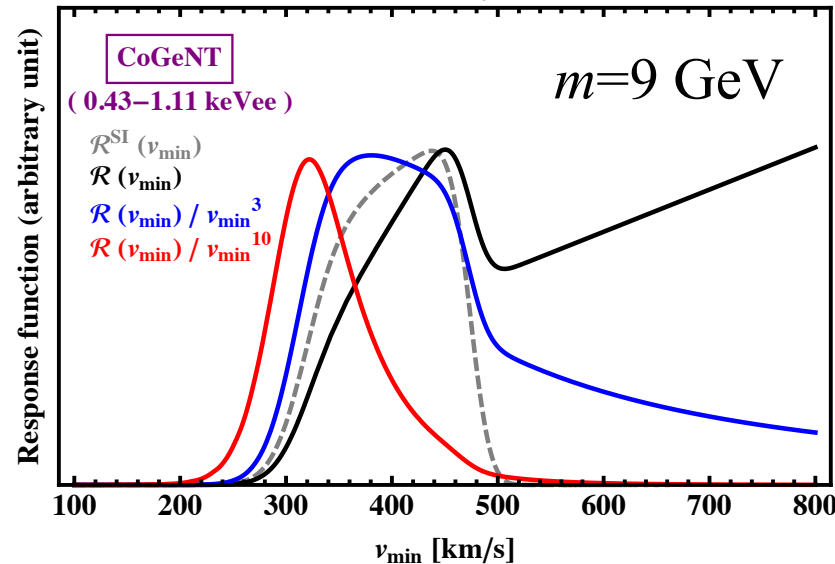
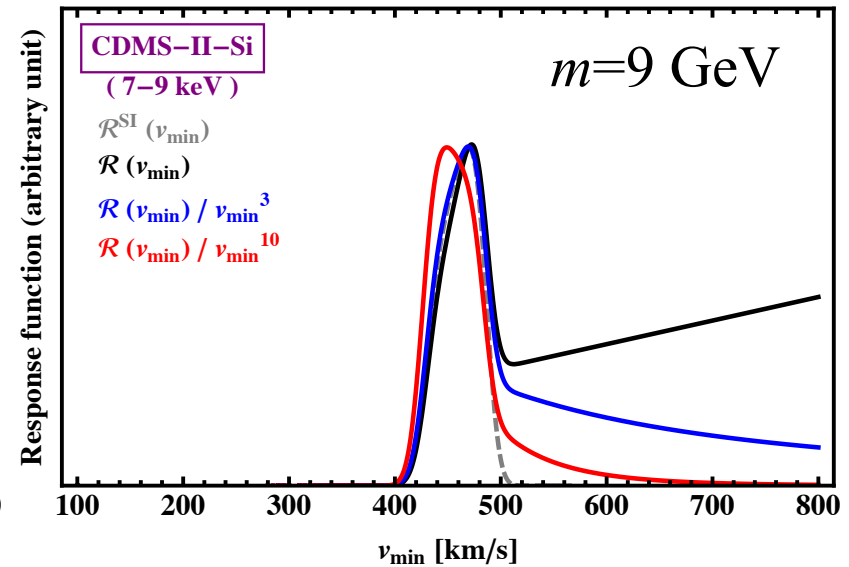
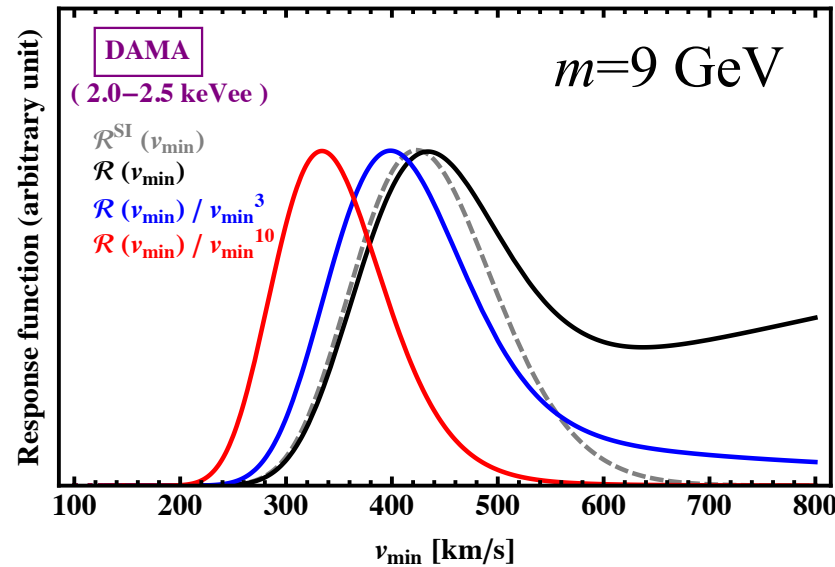
- Every experiment is sensitive to a “**window in velocity space**” given by the response function.

$$\mathcal{R}_{[E_1, E_2]}(v) = \int_{E_1}^{E_2} dE \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \int_0^{2\mu_T^2 v^2 / m_T} dE_R \mathcal{G}(E, E_R) \frac{v^2}{\sigma_{\text{ref}} m_T} \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R}$$

# Astrophysics-independent approach

## Examples of response functions

*Del Nobile, Gelmini, Gondolo, Huh 2013*



# Astrophysics-independent approach

Include effective energy response function.

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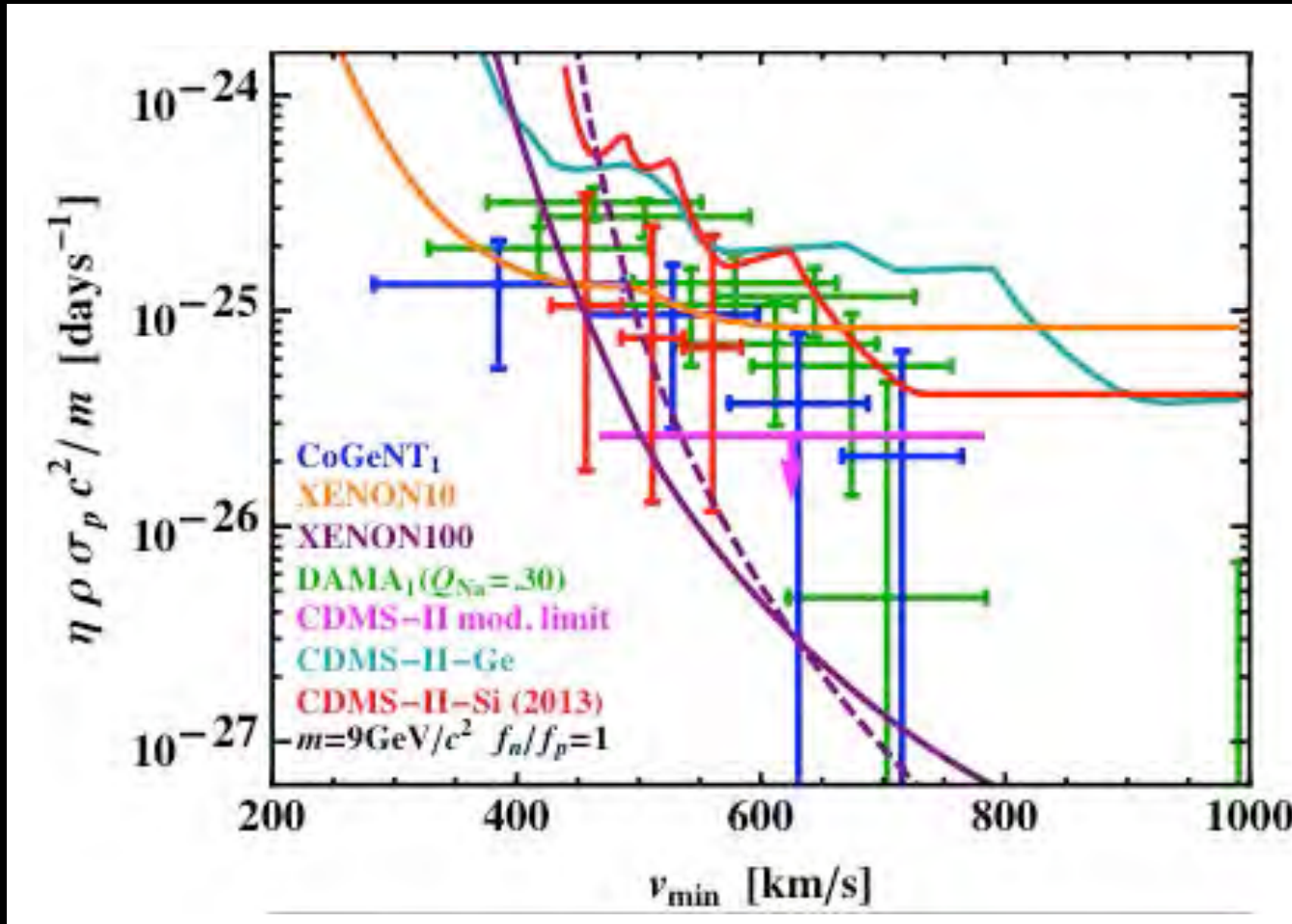
Measure or bound astrophysics factor in velocity interval  $[v_1, v_2]$

$$\bar{\tilde{\eta}}_{[v_1, v_2]} = \frac{R_{[E_1, E_2]}^{\text{measured}}}{\int_0^\infty \mathcal{R}_{[E_1, E_2]}(v_{\text{min}}) dv_{\text{min}}}$$

$$\tilde{\eta}(v) < \frac{R_{[E_1, E_2]}^{\text{upper limit}}}{\int_0^v \mathcal{R}_{[E_1, E_2]}(v_{\text{min}}) dv_{\text{min}}}$$

# Astrophysics-independent approach

Spin-independent interactions  $\sigma_{\chi A} = A^2 \sigma_{\chi p} \mu_{\chi A}^2 / \mu_{\chi p}^2$



*Halo modifications alone cannot save the SI signal regions from the Xe bounds*

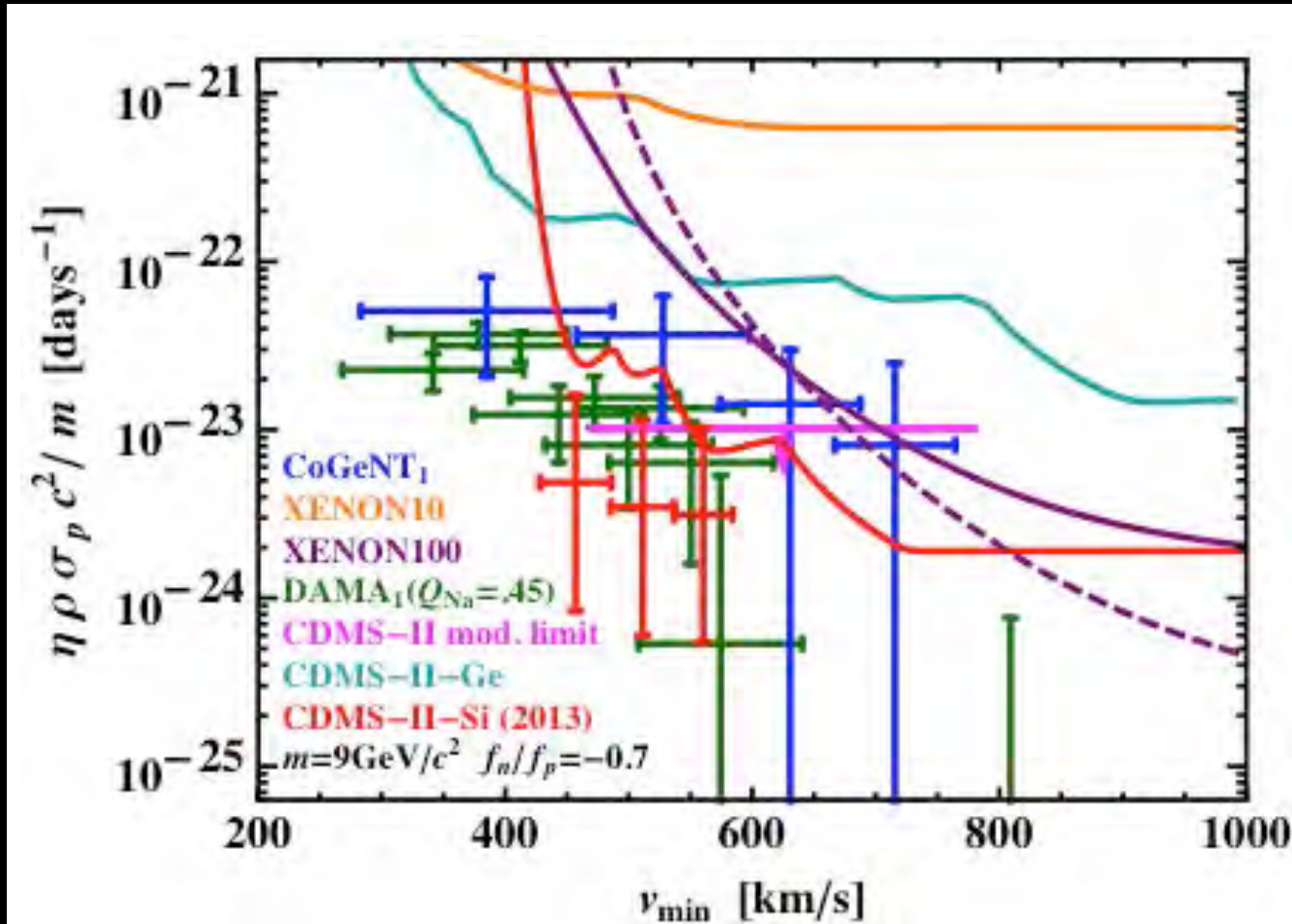
*CDMS-Si event rate is similar to annual modulated rates*

*Del Nobile, Gelmini, Gondolo, Huh 2013*

Still depends on particle model

# Astrophysics-independent approach

## *Isospin-violating dark matter*



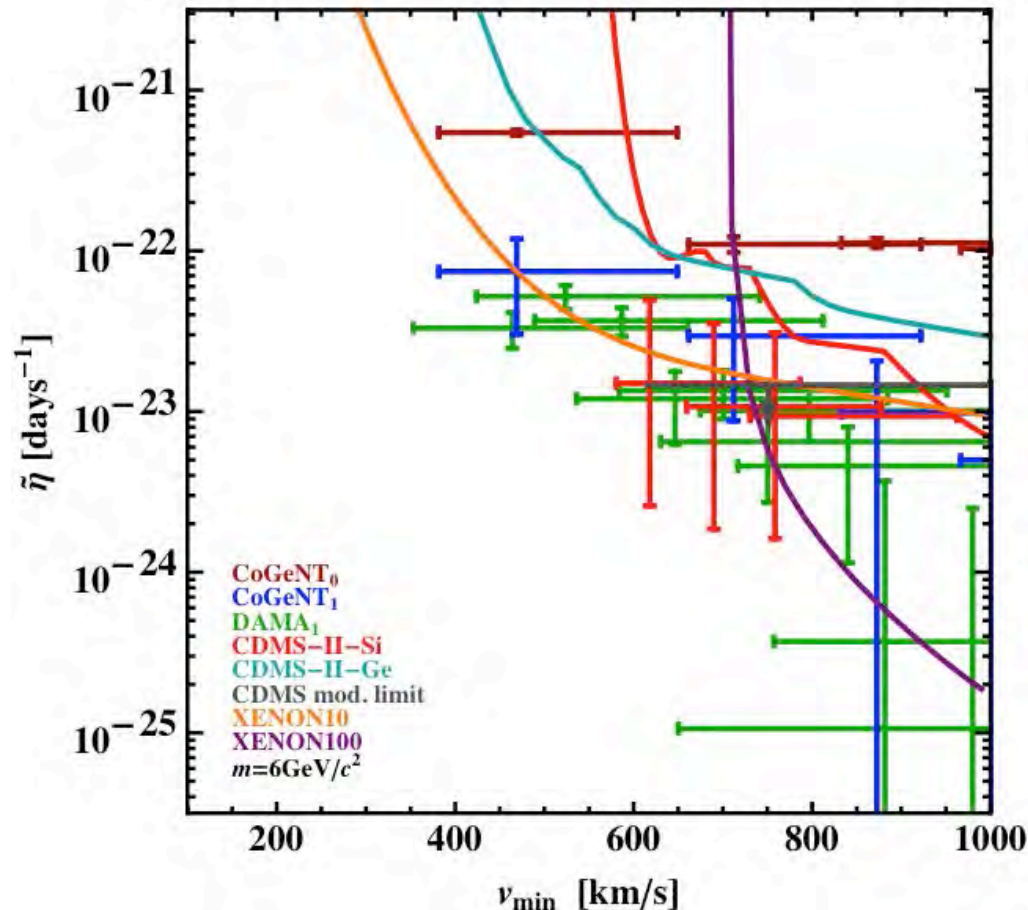
*Dark matter coupled differently to protons and neutrons may have a chance*

Notice that the CDMS-Si events lie “below” the CoGeNT/DAMA modulation amplitudes

*Del Nobile, Gelmini, Gondolo, Huh 2013*

# Astrophysics-independent approach

## *Anomalous magnetic moment dark matter*



*Halo modifications alone cannot save the MDM signal regions from the Xe bounds*

*CDMS-Si event rate is similar to yearly modulated rates*

*Del Nobile, Gelmini, Gondolo, Huh 2013*

Still depends on particle model



# Summary

- The thermal WIMP hypothesis is under strong scrutiny, especially at masses  $\sim 10$  GeV (light dark matter).
- Controversial evidence for direct detection of light dark matter particles (maybe be backgrounds).
  - Halo-independent analyses show that recent CDMS-Si events occur at a rate smaller than the CoGeNT/DAMA modulation amplitudes.
- LHC and indirect searches ( $\gamma$ , CMB,  $e^+$ ) place strong constraints on models of thermal WIMPs.
  - Light supersymmetric particles may still be possible beyond the MSSM. Non-supersymmetric models include minimalist dark matter ( $>60$  GeV), and dark matter coupled to leptophobic light  $Z'$  bosons ( $\sim 10$  GeV).