## **Indirect Searches for Dark Matter**



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## **Evidence for dark matter is omnipresent**

Evidence for the existence of **non-baryonic** dark matter in the Universe comes from gravitational observations at vastly different length scales (galactic to cosmological).



### Galaxy rotation curves



### Galaxy clusters



Large scale structures

### Supernova Type 1A







85% of all matter in the Universe is **dark** and **non-baryonic**.

## What we know

About 80 years after the first discovery of dark matter by Fritz Zwicky and others, we can now bracket its particle mass to within 80 orders of magnitude.



Uncertainty principle (if DM is bosonic) Hu+ 2000  $10^{-22} \text{eV} \lesssim m_{\text{DM}} \lesssim 10^{50} \text{GeV}$ 

MACHO searches (massive compact halo objects)



Tisserand+ 2007

### Up to now, there are only various upper and lower limits:

cold: negligible velocity dispersion

collisionless: negligible self-interaction weakly coupled: negligible interaction with the rest of the world











## The two corner stones of speculation about DM



Main constraint: observed dark matter density and temperature.

### Many ideas for production mechanisms:





DM is still around today

Protected by symmetry in Lagrangian, which might be slightly broken.

### **Self-annihilation**



### Decay on cosmological time-scales

 $\tau_{\rm DM} \gg \tau_{\rm Universe}$ 

### Indirect searches for DM annihilation/decay products

Injection rate of DM annihilation products

$$\frac{d^3 N_X}{dV dt dE} = \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle \rho_{\rm DM}^2}{2m_{\rm DM}^2} \frac{dN_X}{dE}$$

### Charged particles

Spatial diffusion in magnetic turbulent fields
Significant energy losses

DM annihilation

Observer

### Photons & neutrinos

Unperturbed propagation along geodesics
Negligible energy losses

### **Many false alarms?**



Menu

- AMS-02 anti-protons
- AMS-02 positrons
- Fermi LAT lines
- Fermi LAT <u>Galactic center GeV excess</u>
- Fermi LAT dwarf spheroidals
- XMM-Newton & Chandra X-ray lines

## Dark Matter searches with anti-protons





Observed: One antiproton per 100-10000 protons

 Backgrounds extremely\* well understood

Why anti-protons?

• Very low backgrounds

\*up to a factor of two

### The "grammage" matters



### **Predictions for secondary anti-protons**

### Viable parameters for the propagation model: (fit to B/C and p data)

Model	$z_t(\mathrm{kpc})$	$\delta$	$D_0(10^{28} {\rm cm}^2/{\rm s})$	$\eta$	$v_A(\rm km/s)$	$\gamma$	$dv_c/dz({\rm km/s/kpc})$	$\chi^2_{B/C}$	$\chi_p^2$	$\Phi$ (GV)	$\chi^2_{\bar{p}}$	Color in Fig.s
KRA	4	0.50	2.64	-0.39	14.2	2.35	0	0.6	0.47	0.67	0.59	Red
KOL	4	0.33	4.46	1.	36.	1.78/2.45	0	0.4	0.3	0.36	1.84	Blue
THN	0.5	0.50	0.31	-0.27	11.6	2.35	0	0.7	0.46	0.70	0.73	Green
THK	10	0.50	4.75	-0.15	14.1	2.35	0	0.7	0.55	0.69	0.62	Orange
CON	4	0.6	0.97	1.	38.1	1.62/2.35	50	0.4	0.53	0.21	1.32	Gray





### **Recent AMS-02 results**



### Situation:

- No signifciant excess of anti-protons above secondary production
- Future potential:
  - Better understanding of systematics (not easy)
- Potential for observation of a clear excess with characteristic shape at high energies (→ TeV DM)



## **Dark Matter searches with positrons**



• Dark matter could produce spectral

signatures that allow a identification

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### **Extremely sensitive probe for <100 GeV DM**



 $m_{\chi} \; [\text{GeV}]$ 

## Many potential targets in gamma rays

Signal is approximately proportional to column square density of DM



### **Characteristic photon energy spectrum**



**End-point features (x10-1000):** Gamma-ray lines, bremsstrahlung, box-like spectra

### Strong upper limits on annihilation into line photons



### **The Galactic center GeV excess**



Goodenough & Hooper 2009, Vitale+ (Fermi coll.) 2009, Hooper & Goodenough 2011, Hooper & Linden 2011, Boyarsky+ 2011 (no signal), Abazajian & Kaplinghat 2012, Gordon & Macias 2013, Macias & Gordon 2014, Abazajian+ 2014, **Daylan+2014** 

### **First appearance in 2009**

## First clear statements about properties of *excess* emission (morphology, spectrum etc, subject to some changes in later analyses):

Possible Evidence For Dark Matter Annihilation In The Inner Milky Way From The Fermi Gamma Ray Space Telescope

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We study the gamma rays observed by the Fermi Gamma Ray Space Telescope from the direction of the Galactic Center and find that their angular distribution and energy spectrum are well described by a dark matter annihilation scenario. In particular, we find a good fit to the data for dark matter particles with a 25-30 GeV mass, an annihilation cross section of  $\sim 9 \times 10^{-26}$  cm<sup>3</sup>/s, and that are distributed with a cusped halo profile,  $\rho(r) \propto r^{-1.1}$ , within the inner kiloparsec of the Galaxy. We cannot, however, exclude the possibility that these photons originate from an astro-



## First very cautious comments by the LAT team, without any detailed characterization of the *residual*:

2009 Fermi Symposium, Washington, D.C., Nov. 2-5

#### Indirect Search for Dark Matter from the center of the Milky Way with the Fermi-Large Area Telescope

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today, can account for the large majority of the detected gamma-ray emission from the Galactic Center. Nevertheless a residual emission is left, not accounted for by the above models.

An improved model of the Galactic diffuse emission and a careful evaluation of new (possibly unresolved) sources (or source populations) will improve the sensitivity for a DM search.



## **Typical residuals after foreground subtraction**

### Calore, Cholis, CW 2014

40 deg x 40 deg



- Left: Point source mask clearly visible
- Middle: Residuals at the level of <20% are observed
- Right: Readding the DM template clearly shows an extended excess around the GC

### Dark Matter annihilation works just fine



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### Fits with dark matter annihilation spectra



## **Astrophysical interpretations**

### Leptonic activity at the Galactic center:

Petrovic+ 2014

- Recent injection of hard electrons at Galactic center, ~1 Myr ago
- Diffusion  $\rightarrow$  approx. spherical profile & emission
- Can potentially explain peaked spectrum
- The morphology, especially emission above 10 deg (1.5 kpc) is hard to reproduce, since the energy loss time of electrons is < 1 Myr.</li>

### Millisecond pulsars (MSPs):

Wang+ 2005; Abazajian 2011; Gordon & Macias 2013; Hooper+ 2013; Yuan & Zhang 2014; Hooper+ 2013; Calore+ 2014; Cholis+ 2014, Petrovic+ 2014

- Spectrum of known MSPs agrees reasonably well with claimed GCE spectrum (except at sub-GeV energies)
- Observed luminosity function is claimed to be incompatible with GCE (we don't see resolved MSPs at GC) Hooper+, Calore+, Cholis+ 2013
- Compatible with distribution of low-mass X-ray binaries (possible MSP progenitors)





### **One leptonic burst?**





Some tuning is required to make it work reasonably well

- Very hard injection indices (<2)
- One burst around 1 Myr
- O(1) 10^51 erg injected energy
- Still, does not well reproduce the excess at high latitudes

[Cholis, Evoli, Calore, Linden, CW, Hooper 2015]

## **Two leptonic bursts??**



Parameter	Model A	Model B	Model C
$\alpha_1$	1.2	2.0	1.1
$\alpha_2$	NA	NA	1.0
$E_{\mathrm{cut},1}$	$1 { m TeV}$	$1 { m TeV}$	$20 { m GeV}$
$E_{\mathrm{cut},2}$	NA	$\mathbf{N}\mathbf{A}$	$60  {\rm GeV}$
$ au_1 ~(\mathrm{Myr})$	0.83	0.46	0.1
$ au_2 ~(\mathrm{Myr})$	NA	$\mathbf{N}\mathbf{A}$	1.0
$N_1 \ (10^{51} \ {\rm erg})$	2.89	9.87	0.1
$N_2 \ (10^{51} \ {\rm erg})$	NA	NA	0.88
δ	0.20	0.23	0.3
$D_0 \ (10^{28} \ { m cm}^2 { m /s})$	5.08	9.12	9.0
$D_{zz}/D_{xx}$	1.12	0.87	NA
$v_A ~(\rm km/s)$	176	122	150
$B_0~(\mu{ m G})$	11.5	11.5	11.7
$r_c \; (\mathrm{kpc})$	10.0	10.0	10.0
$z_c \; (\mathrm{kpc})$	2.0	2.0	0.5
$dv_c/dz~({\rm km/s/kpc})$	0.0	0.0	0.0
ISRF	1.0,  1.0	$1.0, \ 1.0$	1.8,  0.8
$\chi^2 (p-value)$	277(0.04)	317 (0.0004)	261 (0.14)

### Summary

- It is possible to achieve a reasonable description of the data by using two bursts and tuning injection and propagation parameters
- However, the rise of the emission towards the inner few 10 pc is not predicted
- A series of leptonic bursts are observationally viable, but not likely to explain all of the excess emission

## **Discriminating Millisecond pulsars (MSPs) from DM**







MSPs (or other point sources producing the excess) would produce more "speckled" signal than DM.

 $\rightarrow$  Can be tested with e.g.

- one-point statistics (Lee et al. 2014, **2015**)
- wavelet analysis (next slides)

### **Wavelet analysis**



[Bartels, Krishnamurthy, CW, 2015]

### Wavelet analysis in a nutshell:

• Remove galactic diffuse emission with wavelet transform

$$\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{W}}[\mathcal{C}](\Omega) \equiv \int d\Omega \, \mathcal{W}(\Omega - \Omega') \mathcal{C}(\Omega')$$

- Extract signal-to-noise ratio of peaks  $\mathcal{S}(\Omega) = \frac{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{W}}[\mathcal{C}](\Omega)}{\sqrt{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{W}^2}[\mathcal{C}](\Omega)}}$
- Analyze statistics of these SNR peaks



## **Effective modeling of MSPs**

### Modeling of unresolved sources

- We assume that they are distributed like required to explain the GCE (with a radial index of -2.5 or so)
- We simulate PSCs that follow a luminosity distribution

$$\frac{dL}{dN} \sim L^{-1.5}$$

up to some cutoff  $L_{\max}$ 

• Main uncertainties: Slope, normalization and cutoff of the luminosity function. Here: slope fixed to -1.5



## **Best-fit contours agree with MSP expectations**



# List of unassociated 3FGL sources with spectrum compatible with MSPs:

3FGL Name	$\ell  [^\circ]$	$b[^\circ]$	$\chi^2/{ m dof}$	$\sqrt{TS}$	S
J1649.6-3007	-7.99	9.27	1.07	5.57	3.68
J1703.6-2850	-5.08	7.65	0.48	2.38	4.24
J1740.5-2642	1.30	2.12	0.37	6.37	2.15
J1740.8-1933	7.43	5.83	0.77	1.89	2.11
J1744.8-1557	11.03	6.88	0.40	3.69	1.96
J1758.8-4108	-9.21	-8.48	0.90	5.56	2.91
J1759.2-3848	-7.11	-7.43	0.35	4.64	4.36
J1808.3-3357	-1.94	-6.71	0.40	6.94	5.46
J1808.4-3519	-3.15	-7.36	0.41	4.55	3.51
J1808.4-3703	-4.68	-8.19	0.22	4.95	4.45
J1820.4-3217	0.74	-8.17	1.04	5.74	2.32
J1830.8-3136	2.35	-9.84	0.54	5.92	3.76
J1837.3-2403	9.85	-7.81	0.28	4.03	2.16

This is not a proof that the GCE is due to millisecond pulsars, but it makes this scenario much more likely. There <u>are</u> a number of MSP-like unassociated sources towards the inner Galaxy that could be the "tip of the iceberg" of the O(1000) MSPs required to explain the excess emission.

 $\rightarrow$  Confirmation of these unassociated 3FGL sources being MSPs in the bulge region will be likely decisive!

## Dwarf limits are in mild tension with GC observations



### A 3.5 keV line from decaying DM?



### Boyarsky et al. 2014

• Unidentified line in M31 and Perseus cluster

$$E = 3.52 \pm 0.02 \,\mathrm{keV}$$



### Bulbul et al. 2014

- Unidentified line in stacked XMM spectrum of 73 galaxy clusters
- Too bright in Perseus?

 $E=3.56\pm0.04\,\rm keV$ 

Yes	<b>No</b> (no corroborating evidence in other sources)
Bulbul+ 2014 & Bovarskv+ 2014	Jeltema & Profumo 2014 (Potassium?)
	Carlson+ 2014 (GC, morphology) Anderson+ 2014 (stacked galaxies) Malyshev+ 2014 (stacked dwarfs)

### **XMM-Newton, Astro-H and eROSITA**



Near future: ~1Msec of XMM-Newton data on the Draco dSph. Good chance that this already settles the issue. Data is taken now.





## Long-term: Cross-correlations between eROSITA full-sky survey and DM tracers.



## Indirect detection prospects for the next years



Gamma-ray satellite experiments

- GAMMA-400 (similar to Fermi)
- PANGU (focus on low energies)
- AstroGam
- $\rightarrow$  Help to clarify GC excess





## Conclusions

- Indirect searches benefit from the vast amount of recent cosmic-ray anti-matter, gamma-ray, X-ray, radio etc data
- Anti-protons: No signal, systematics limited
- Positrons: Clear signal, astrophysics unclear
- Gamma-ray lines: Big discovery potential for CTA
- Fermi Galactic center excess: The most "vanilla" signal candidate so far, but unfortunately (spectrally) degenerate with pulsars
- Dwarf spheroidals: No signal right now. Still more dwarfs to come and look at.
- X-ray lines: Several sensitive probes on the way.
- Outlook: multi-wavelength searches, corroborating evidence from colliders and/or direct searches, theoretical studies, ...