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DISCRIMINATING THE SOURCE OF HIGH-ENERGY POSITRONS WITH AMS-02

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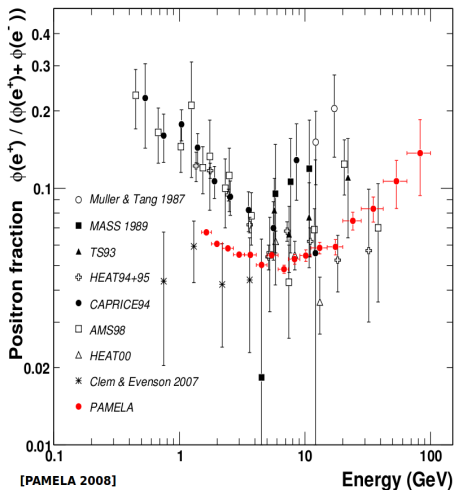


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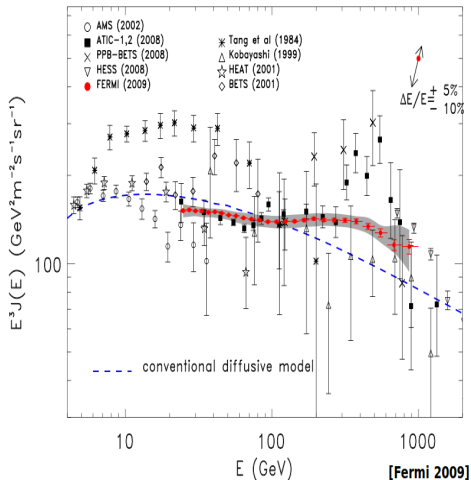
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THE FACTS: COSMIC-RAY $e^\pm$

positron fraction
 $e^+/(e^+ + e^-)$



electron+positron flux
 $e^+ + e^-$



INTERPRETING PAMELA $e^+/(e^+ + e^-)$

spectacular rise in $e^+/(e^+ + e^-)$

hint for nearby source of high-energy $e^\pm$

pulsars [Hooper et al '08, ...]

annihilations/decays of DM [everybody!]

secondary injection at CR sources [Blasi & Serpico '09]

open questions

is the DM annihilation hypothesis feasible?

can we distinguish the DM and pulsar hypotheses?

[MP, Lattanzi & Bertone, JCAP 1012:020 2010]

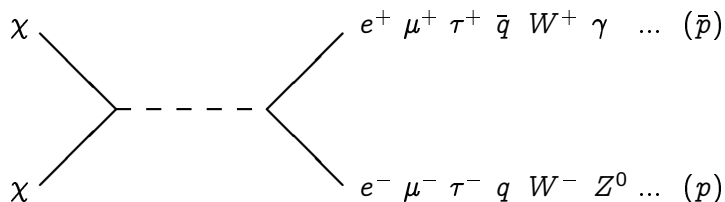
disclaimer: the CR-induced background is

rather uncertain (injection+propagation parameters unknown)

not fully understood yet (e.g. p , He hardenings at $\sim$ TeV)

INDIRECT DARK MATTER DETECTION

driving idea: detect subproducts of annihilation/decay of DM



$$Q_{ann,i}(E, \vec{x}) \equiv \frac{\langle \sigma_{ann} v \rangle}{2m_\chi^2} \frac{dN_i}{dE}(E) \times \frac{\rho^2(\vec{x})}{\rho^2(\vec{x})}$$

- step 1. particle physics
- step 2. astrophysics
- step 3. propagation until the Earth

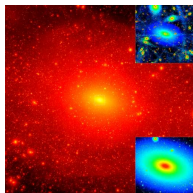
dark matter parameters: $\langle \sigma_{ann} v \rangle$, m_χ , # annihilation

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step 2. astrophysics: modelling galactic dark matter

rely on simulations of Milky Way-like halos: Via Lactea II & Aquarius

Via Lactea II
[Diemand et al. 2008]

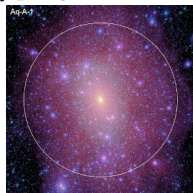


$$\rho_{sm} \sim \text{NFW}$$

$$\rho_{cl} \sim \text{NFW}$$

$$dN/dM \propto M^{-2}$$

Aquarius
[Springel et al. 2008]



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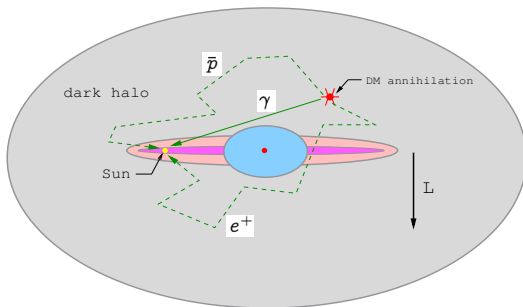
$$dN/dM \propto M^{-1.9}$$

many clumps + significant mass in clumps

$$\frac{d^2 N_{sh}}{dM dV} = N_{cl} \frac{dP_M}{dM} \frac{dP_V}{dV}$$

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step 3. propagation until the Earth



electrons/positrons:

$$-D_{e^+}(E_{e^+})\nabla^2 n_{e^+} - \frac{\partial}{\partial E_{e^+}}(b(E_{e^+})n_{e^+}) = Q_{e^+}(\mathbf{x}, E_{e^+})$$

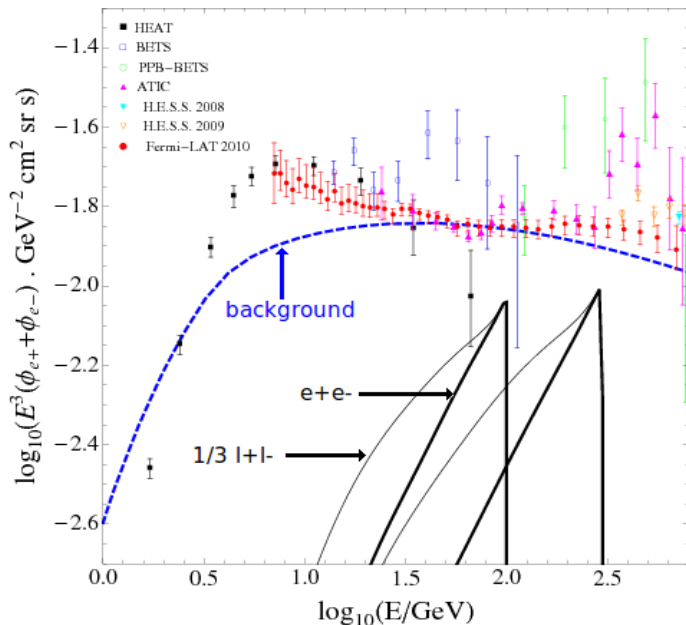
.. use semi-analytical methods to compute DM-induced $e^\pm$

	L [kpc]	D_0 [cm ² /s]	α
model 1	4	3.6×10^{28}	0.33

(tuned to match Fermi-LAT)

bottomline: DM can produce significant $e^\pm$ but uncertainties are crucial

INDIRECT DARK MATTER DETECTION



PULSAR PHENOMENOLOGY

pulsars are highly magnetised, rotating neutron stars
spin-down due to magnetic braking (among others)

$$\Omega(t) = \Omega_0 \left(1 + \frac{t}{\tau_0}\right)^{-1/2} \quad t_{ch} = -\Omega / (2\dot{\Omega})$$

$e^\pm$ output of mature pulsars (i.e. $t \gg \tau_0$)

$$E_{e^\pm}(t_{ch}) \simeq \eta_{e^\pm} |\dot{E}| \frac{t_{ch}^2}{\tau_0}$$

$$Q_{e^\pm}(E) = Q_{e^\pm}^0 (E/\text{GeV})^{-\Gamma} \exp(-E/E_{cut})$$

propagation until the Earth

$$n_{e^\pm}(d, E, t_{ch}) = \frac{Q_{e^\pm}(E') b(E')}{b(E) \pi^{3/2} r_{dif}^3(E, t_{ch})} \exp\left(-\frac{d^2}{r_{dif}^2(E, t_{ch})}\right)$$

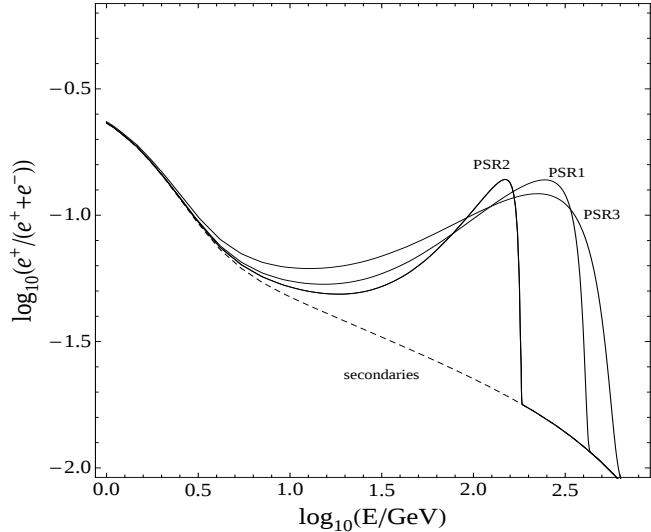
pulsar parameters

spin-down luminosity $|\dot{E}|$

distance d

age t_{ch}

PULSAR PHENOMENOLOGY



	Γ	E_{cut} [GeV]	$ \dot{E} $ [erg/s]	t_{ch} [yr]	E_{max} [GeV]	d [kpc]	f
PSR1	1.7	1000	10^{35}	5×10^5	453	0.75	0.9
PSR2	1.3	1000	4×10^{34}	12×10^5	189	0.4	0.9
PSR3	1.7	500	8×10^{34}	3×10^5	755	0.2	0.9

DISTINGUISHING DM AND PULSARS WITH AMS-02

motivation: AMS-02 is at the ISS!



Ten seconds after the liftoff - Credit: Michael Struik - CERN

DISTINGUISHING DM AND PULSARS WITH AMS-02

key question

can we distinguish DM and pulsars with future $e^\pm$ data?

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AMS-02 has good capabilities to measure GeV-TeV $e^\pm$

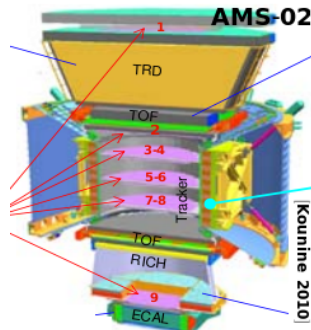
$$E = 1 - 800 \text{ GeV} \quad \Delta t = 18 \text{ yr (!)}$$

$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} = \sqrt{(0.106/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}})^2 + (0.0125)^2}$$

$$A_{e^-} = A_{e^+} = 0.045 \text{ cm}^2\text{sr}$$

$$e^- : p = 3 \times 10^5$$

$$e^+ : p = 3 \times 10^5 \quad e^+ : e^- = 10^4$$



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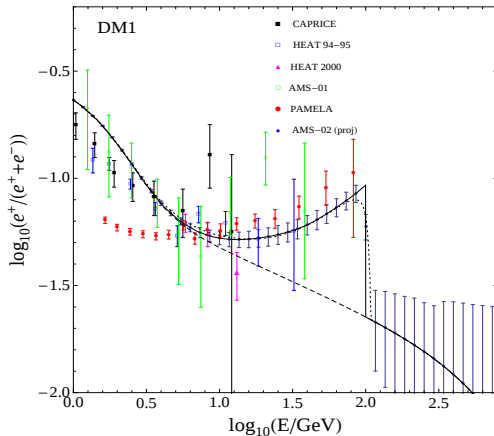
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	m_{DM} [GeV]	$\langle \sigma_{ann} v \rangle$ [cm^3/s]	f
DM1	100	5.0×10^{-26}	0.97
DM2	300	3.5×10^{-25}	0.87
DM3	500	9.0×10^{-25}	0.83

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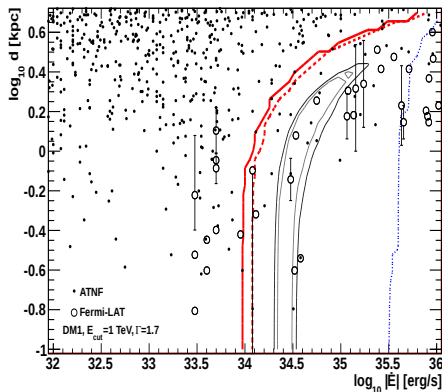
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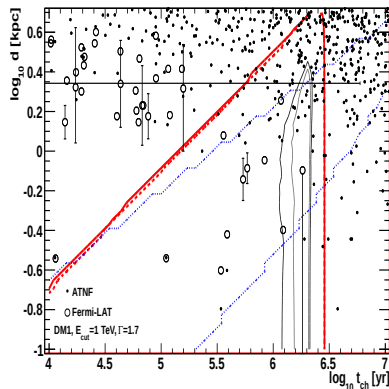
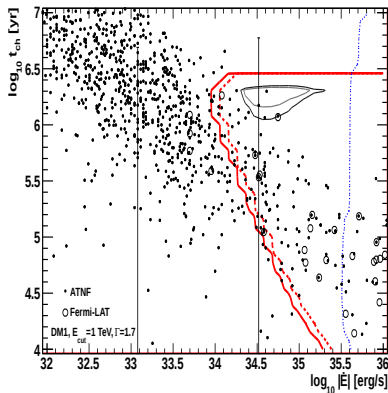
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benchmark	Γ	E_{cut} [GeV]	N_1^{50}	N_1^{99}	N_2	N_3
DM1	1.3	1000	0	0	5	3
DM1	1.5	1000	0	0	5	5
DM1	1.7	1000	0	0	5	3
DM1	1.9	1000	0	0	1	1
DM1	1.7	500	0	1	4	4
DM1	1.7	5000	0	0	1	1
DM1	1.7	10^4	0	0	1	1
DM2	1.5	1000	0	0	8	6
DM2	1.7	1000	0	0	6	5
DM2	1.9	1000	0	0	3	1
DM3	1.5	1000	0	0	8	6
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DM3	1.9	1000	0	0	4	2

bottomline:

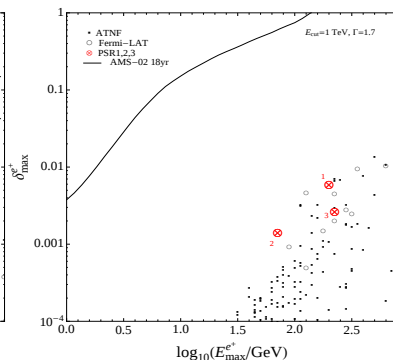
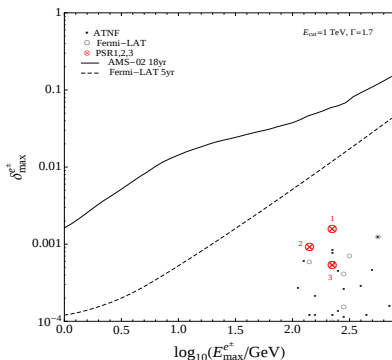
- .. no known pulsar within contours (but catalog is incomplete)
- .. many known pulsars contributing $>50\%$ (but $\eta_{e^\pm}$ high)

if sharp cutoff is seen by AMS-02, pulsar spectra cannot be discarded

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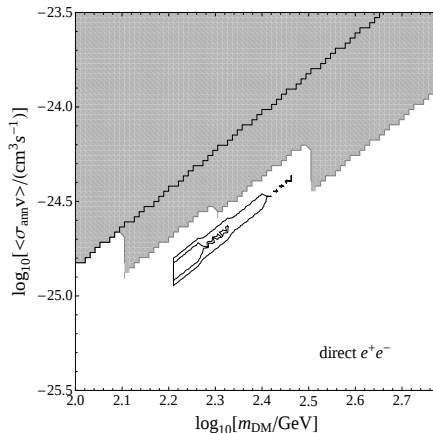
what about anisotropies?

... way out of reach

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challenging to distinguish DM/pulsar hypotheses

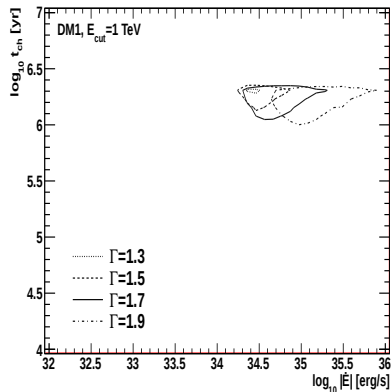
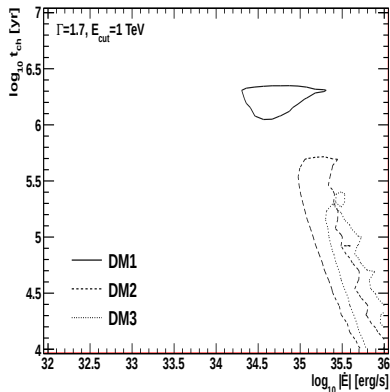
precise $e^\pm$ is not enough to settle this issue

complementary data or better understanding of sources needed

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