

Exotic Dark Matter Candidates

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Lesson One

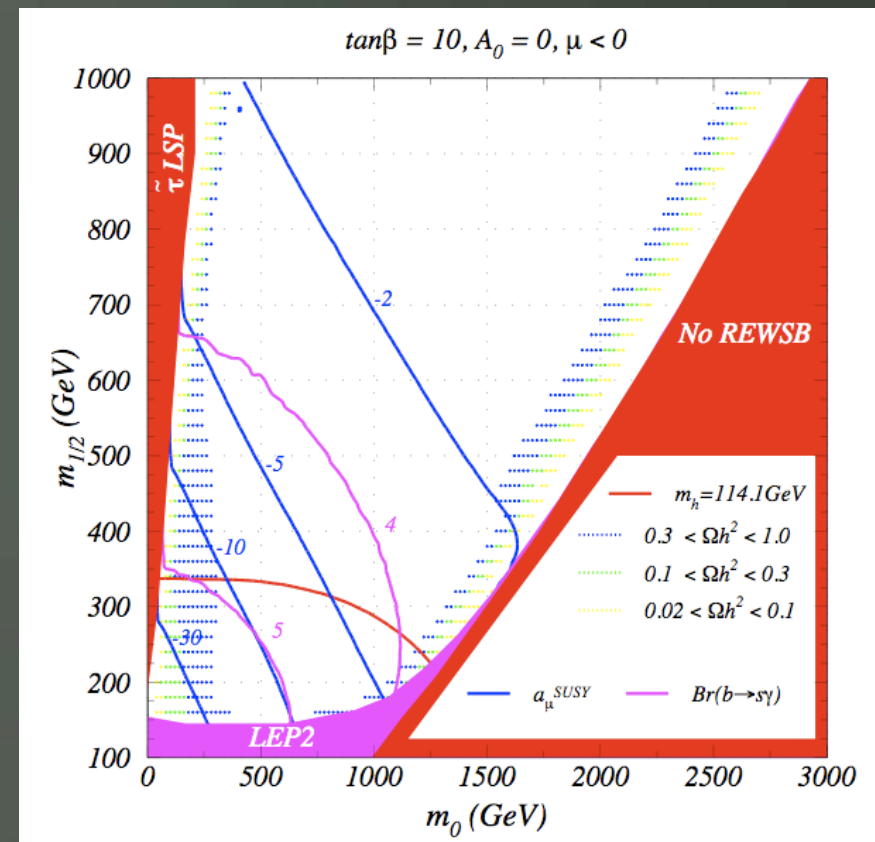
- ALL dark matter candidates are exotic
 - Anyone who tells you differently is selling something

Why Consider Exotica

- Why consider models of DM at all?
 - Direct Detection Predictions:
 - What size, mass, properties for detectors?
 - Detection strategies (primakoff process)
 - Indirect Detection Predictions:
 - Gamma ray spectrum
 - Microwave emission
 - Cosmic Ray Spectrum
 - Neutrino Spectrum (solar or Earth capture)
 - Cosmological Properties
 - Power spectrum
 - Clustering Properties (e.g. from additional forces)
- DM Models give a sense of what to look for and/or what existing hints may be interesting

Why not consider exotica

- DM can limit your parameter range in a particular model
- Of course, your model is wrong*



Stolen from Baer, et al

*Except for the one of you that's right, but everyone else's is wrong

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So what's wrong with SUSY

- Jonathan Feng's talk: "Supersymmetry is the best motivated framework for new particle physics"
- Counter argument: Supersymmetry has made a total of zero verified predictions
- Counter-counter argument: What about SUSY grand unification? That predicts $\sin^2\theta$
- C³A: Sure, but that also predicts that protons decay at rates ridiculously higher than observed
- C⁴A: Wait, wait, no I have a model that evades that!
- C⁵A: Isn't that still a really tuned model?
- C⁶A: Well, sure, but do you have a better one?
- C⁷A: No, but that's not really the point, is it?
- C⁸A: We need some model to address phenomenology, and this is the best one we have
- C⁹A: I'm hungry, do you want to get a snack?
- C¹⁰A: Sure, sounds good!

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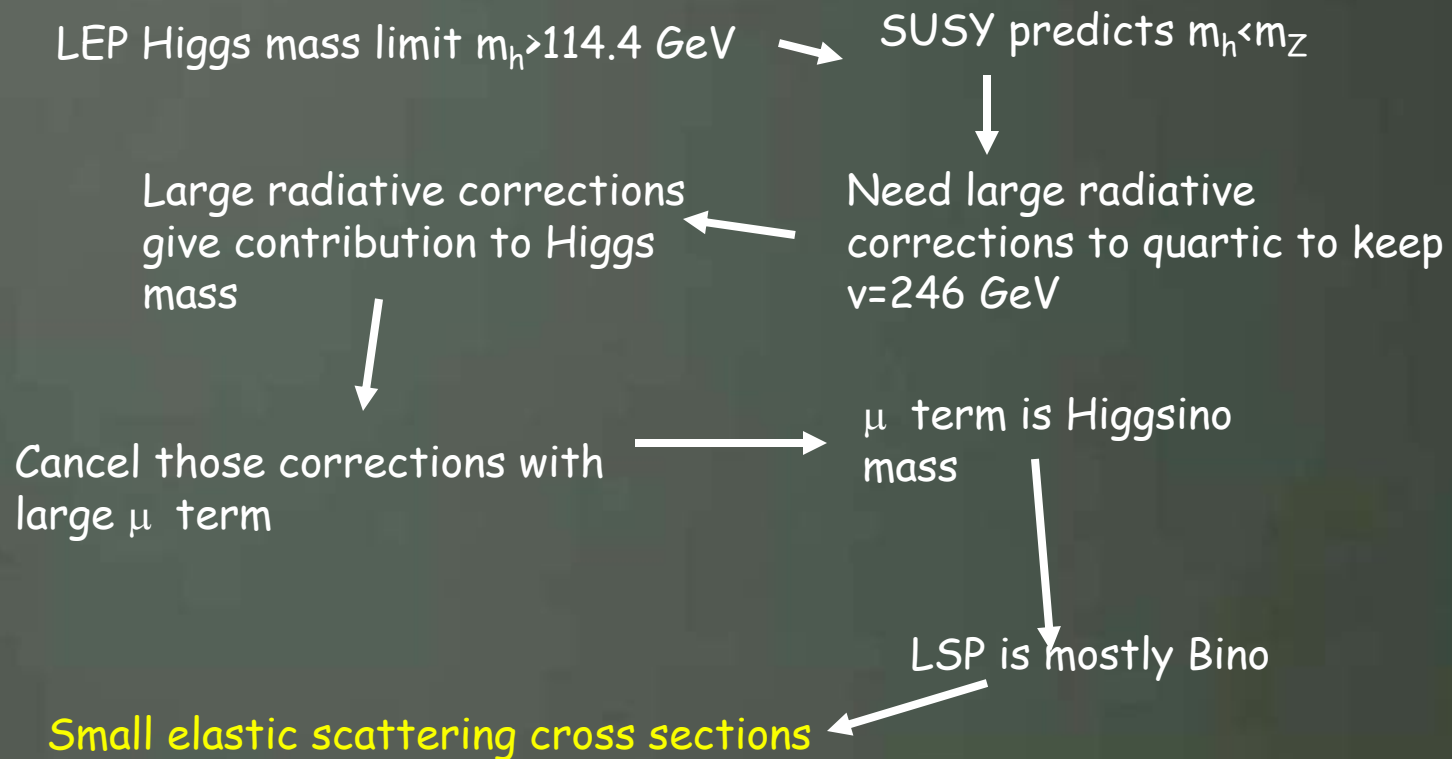
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Wrong SUSY Part 2: SUSY is not a good model for SUSY

- Most popular formulation of SUSY is mSUGRA
 - 5 parameters: $m_{1/2}$, m_0 , A , m , $\tan\beta$
 - A reasonable starting point!
 - But there are built in correlations, and these can cause problems

The CMSSM/mSUGRA neutralino is not your friend

- Common logical path in mSUGRA*



* No, not every point in mSUGRA, this is just an example

Beyond mSUGRA

- Many parameter searches can give broader phenomenology (see e.g., Baltz, Battaglia, Peskin and Wizansky)
- Sometimes new models may capture phenomenology not found in SUSY parameter scans

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	Combinations, silk, muslin or cotton	.40 up			Handkerchiefs, silk	.10	
	Dress Slips	.50 up		2	Hose, cotton, silk or wool (pair)	.10	20
	Dresses	.75 up			Hose, Golf, per pair	.15	
	Gloves	.10			Night Shirts, cotton	.30	
	Handkerchiefs	.05			Night Shirts, silk or flannel	.40	
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	Skirts	.75 up			" " " collar attached	.40	
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	Towels	.10		2	Underdrawers, cotton w	.20	140
	Under-Vests, flannel or silk	.20 up			Underdrawers, silk or flannel	.25	
	Uniforms, Nurses'	.75 up		2	Undershirts, cotton w	.20	40
	Union Suits	.30 up			Undershirts, flannel or silk	.25	
	Wash Cloths	.05			Union Suits, cotton	.35	
					Union Suits, silk or flannel	.40	
					Vests	.50	
				1	Waist Blanket	.50	50
					" Hat	.25	25

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Dark Matter Candidates: Motivated by Theory Issues

- SUSY: neutralino, gravitino, axino, "mixed"/non-standard sneutrino, singlino (really neutralino) (motivated by hierarchy problem)
- Axion (motivated by strong CP problem)
- Lightest T-Odd Particle (LTOP - little Higgs models, generic BSM, motivated by HP+precision electroweak)
- ED: Lightest KK Particle (LKP - motivated by hierarchy problem... sometimes)
- Qballs (motivated by presence of new symmetry groups in BSM theories)
- Fourth generation neutrino (motivated by first three generations)

Dark Matter: Motivated by "Observation"

- Galaxy Structure: strongly interacting DM (not really a theory), warm dark matter (keV sterile neutrino), late forming DM
- INTEGRAL Excess: MeV DM, Decaying DM, "Exciting" DM (XDM)
- DAMA: Light DM, inelastic DM, mirror DM

There is also your, your friend's and/or your advisor's favorite model which I have neglected to mention, for which I apologize

Is DM generic in BSM theories

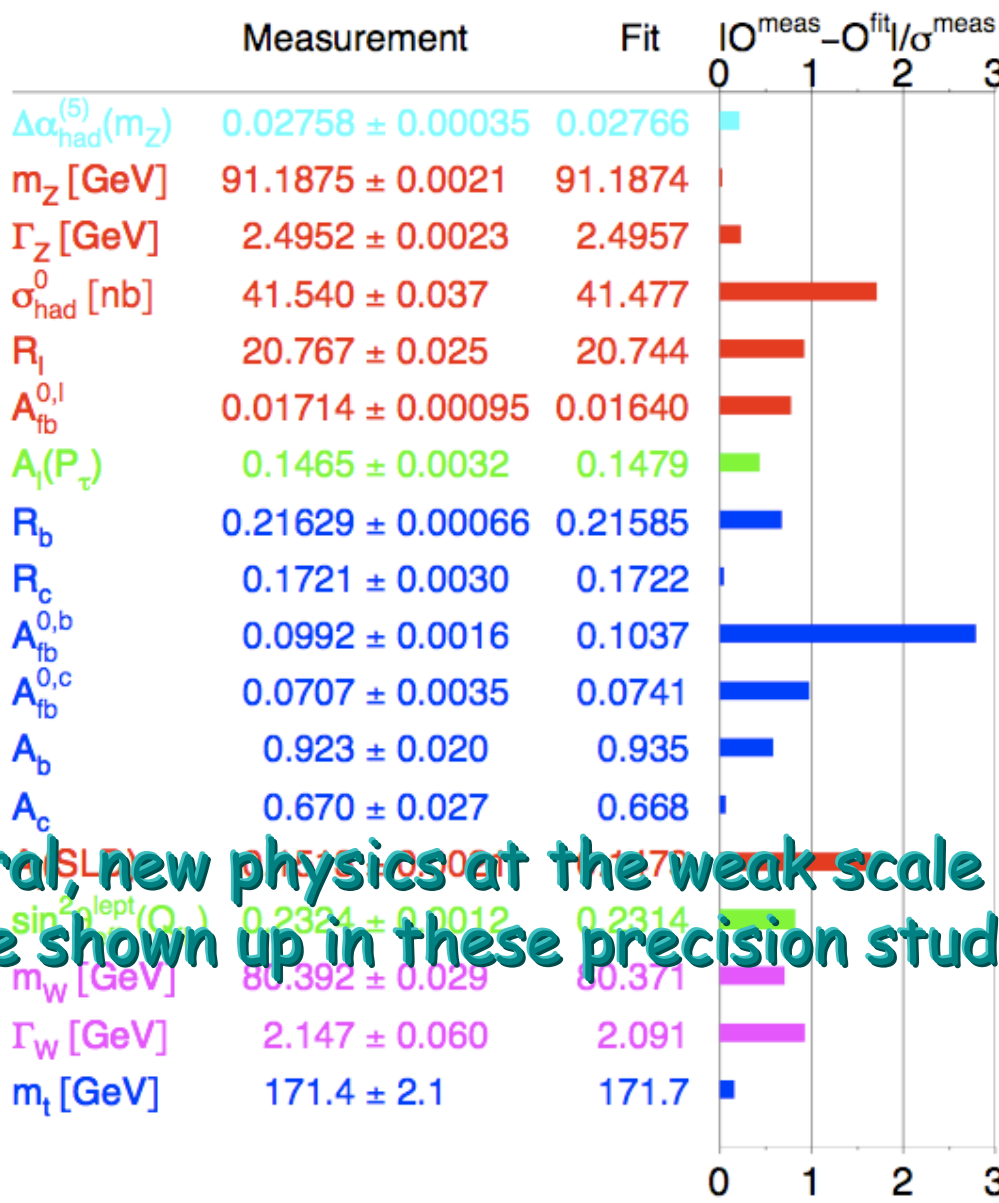
- What do you need to have DM?
 - An annihilation cross section
$$\langle\sigma v\rangle\sim 2\times 10^{-26}\text{cm}^3/\text{s}$$
 - It should be stable
- Almost all particles at the weak scale will have cross section in the roughly appropriate range ($\sigma\sim\alpha^2/M^2$)
- So what about stability?

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- Just part about

studies

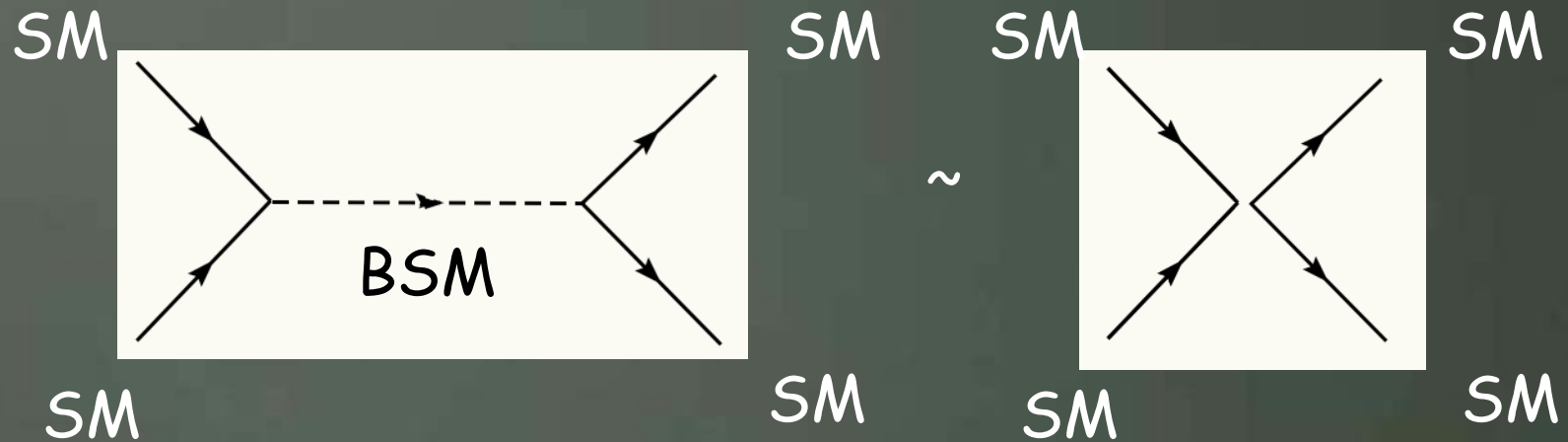
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how much
model



In general, new physics at the weak scale should have shown up in these precision studies

T-Parity (Cheng and Low)

- The problem arises from diagrams like



Need to forbid these diagrams somehow

T-parity, cont

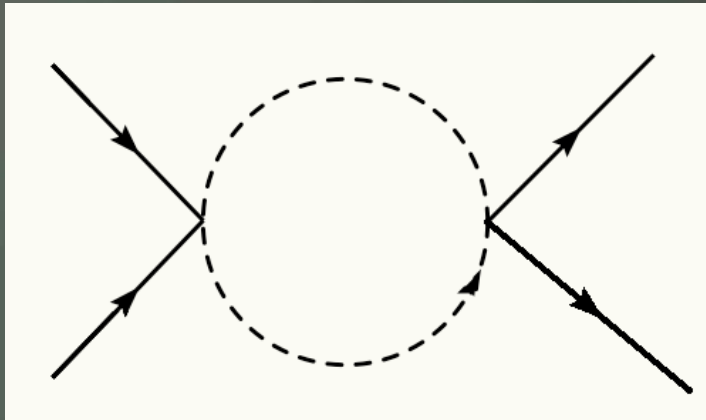
- Vertex comes from Lagrangian term

$$\mathcal{L} \supset SM_1 SM_2 BSM$$

- I.e., problem is presence of single BSM field
 - If only even numbers of BSM fields were allowed, this term is forbidden!

T-parity, cont

- Then process occurs via loop



loops smaller by $\sim 1/16\pi^2$
enough to solve problem

T-parity, cont

- Only even numbers of BSM fields => parity in the theory*

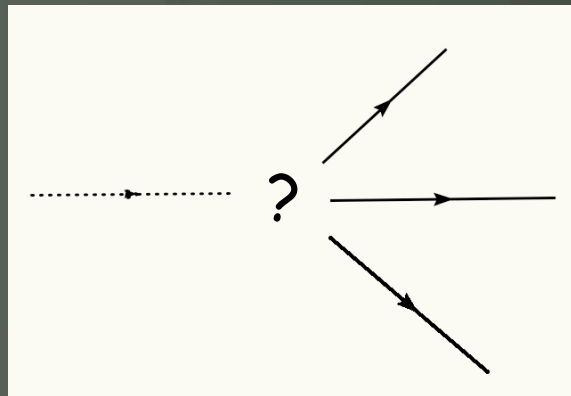
$$\bar{f} f \phi \rightarrow \bar{f} f (-\phi) \quad \text{Not invariant}$$

$$\bar{f} f \phi^2 \rightarrow \bar{f} f (-\phi)^2 \quad \text{invariant}$$

*Not all BSM fields must change sign under this parity, but as long as some do, the relevance for DM is unchanged

Key point

- Consider the lightest T-odd particle, any process like



Such a process cannot occur because there is one LTOP on the left and none on the right, hence the total number is odd, hence forbidden

\Rightarrow LTOP is stable

Intermediate Summary

- New states at the weak scale generically have the appropriate cross sections to yield the observed DM density by thermal freezeout
- Precision electroweak studies strongly motivate presence of parity in theory, which implies lightest T-odd particle is stable
- Dark matter is a generic prediction of solutions to the hierarchy problem (I.e., new physics at 1 TeV)

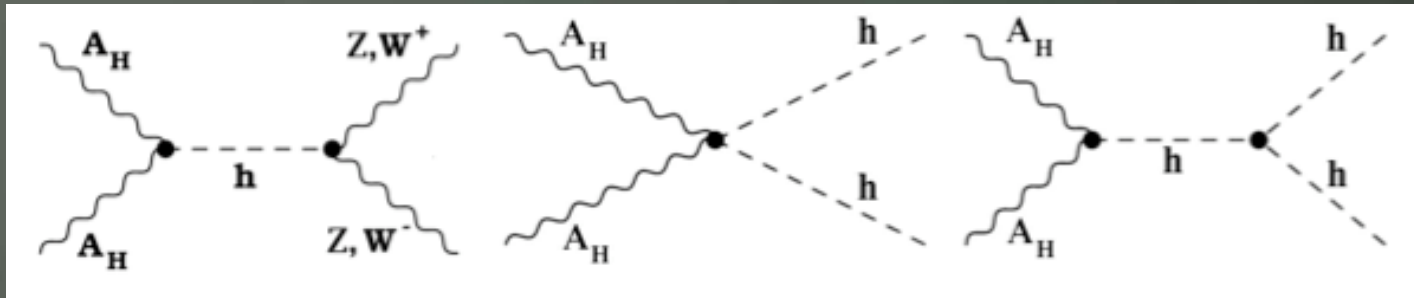
Models

- Consider:
 - SUSY
 - Extra dimensions
 - Little Higgs
- How can we distinguish?
 - Direct Detection cross sections
 - Masses
 - Indirect Detections

Little Higgs

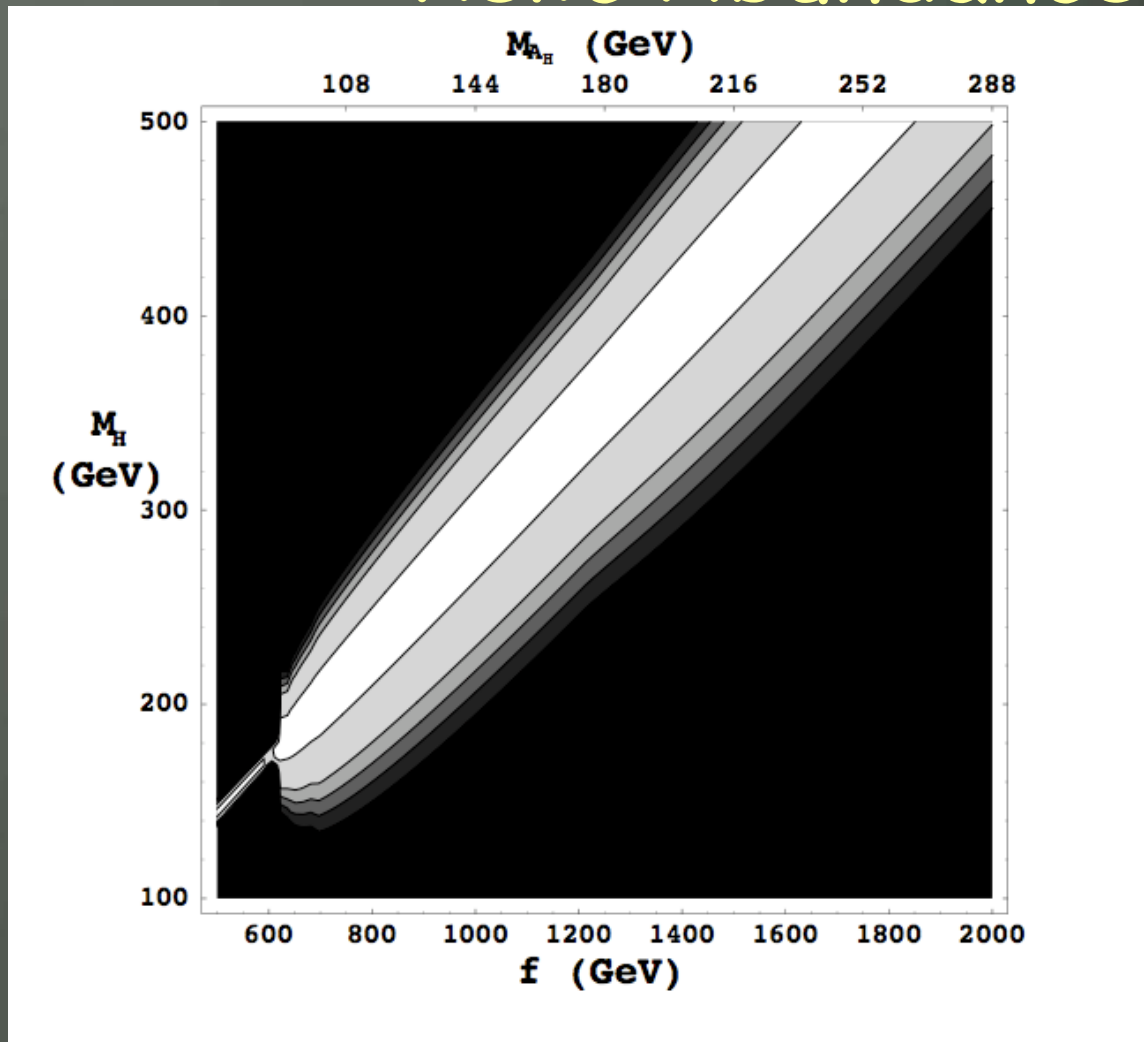
- The Little Higgs Theory (Arkani-Hamed, Cohen, Georgi; Arkani-Hamed, Cohen, Katz, Nelson)
 - Involves embedding the SM gauge group into a larger group
 - Higgs is pseudo-Goldstone boson of the broken larger group
- Dark Matter Candidate is "heavy photon"
(Hubisz & Meade; A. Birkedal, A. Noble, M. Perelstein and A. Spray; Asano, Matsumoto, Okada & Okada; Perelstein & Spray)
 - Partner of real photon, but doesn't couple to electric charge

Annihilates typically into $Z/W/h$ states



Not unlike some SUSY models...

Relic Abundance



Hubisz & Meade

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Lightest Kaluza Klein Particle

(Appelquist, Cheng, Dobrescu; Servant, Tait; also Agashe, Servant; Kakizaki, Matsumoto, Sato, Senami)

- In theories of extra dimensions, there are "Kaluza Klein" states

$$\psi(t, \vec{x}_3, u) = \sum \psi_n(t, \vec{x}_3) e^{inu/R}$$

- Momentum in fifth dimension is quantized
- Energy couples to gravity universally, so 5D momentum looks like mass - mass $1/R$

KK Parity

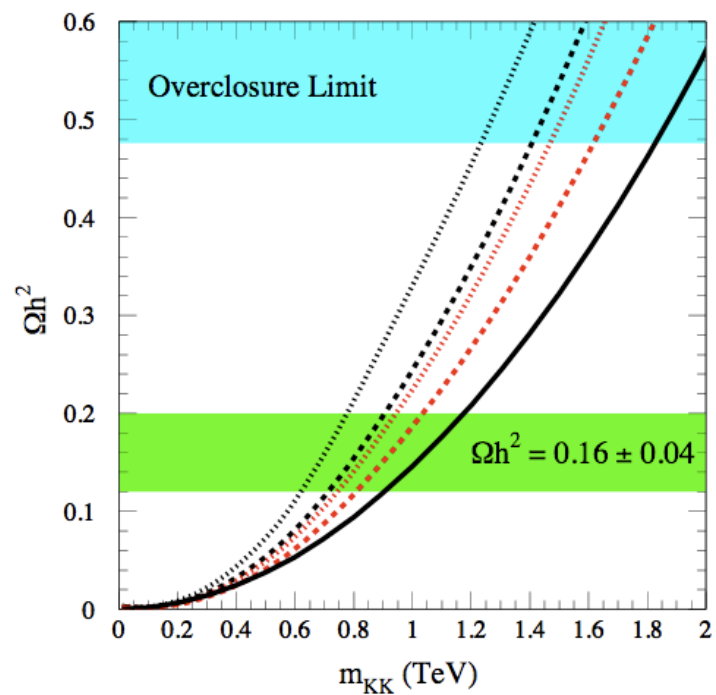
- In extra dimensions, "KK number" is conserved - momentum in fifth dimension
- For viability, $u \rightarrow -u$ must be imposed, leaves a residual parity in the theory ("KK Parity")
- If no violations of that parity exist, LKP stable
 - Candidates: KK B, KK neutrino

Coannihilation important

- KK states are close together

_____ NLKP
_____ LKP Presence of multiple states
_____ can influence relic abundance
_____ calculation ("coannihilation")

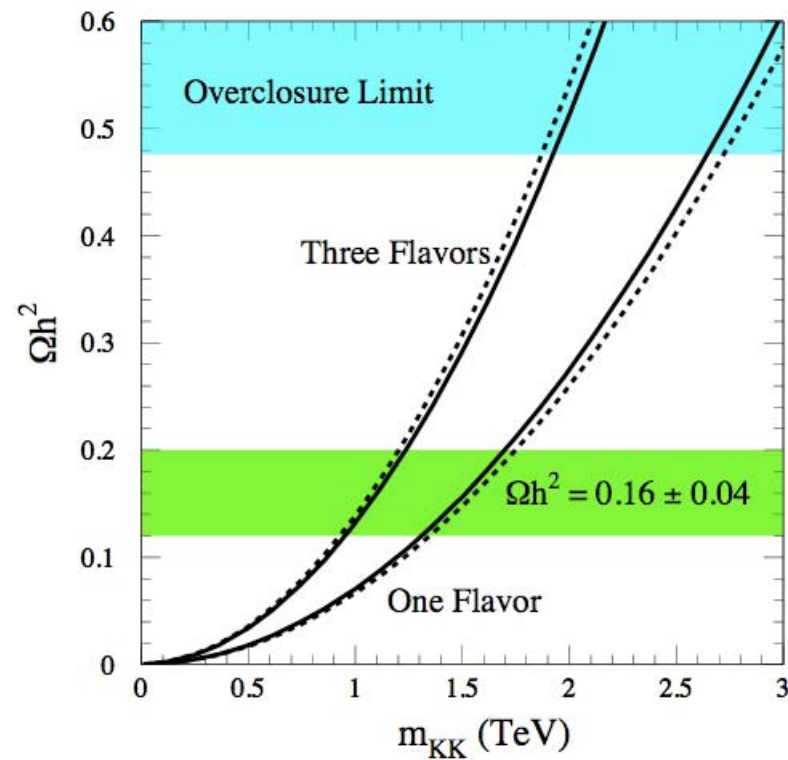
KK "Photon"



Servant &
Tait

Figure 3: Prediction for $\Omega_{B^{(1)}} h^2$ as in Figure 1. The solid line is the case for $B^{(1)}$ alone, and the dashed and dotted lines correspond to the case in which there are one (three) flavors of nearly degenerate $e_R^{(1)}$. For each case, the black curves (upper of each pair) denote the case $\Delta = 0.01$ and the red curves (lower of each pair) $\Delta = 0.05$.

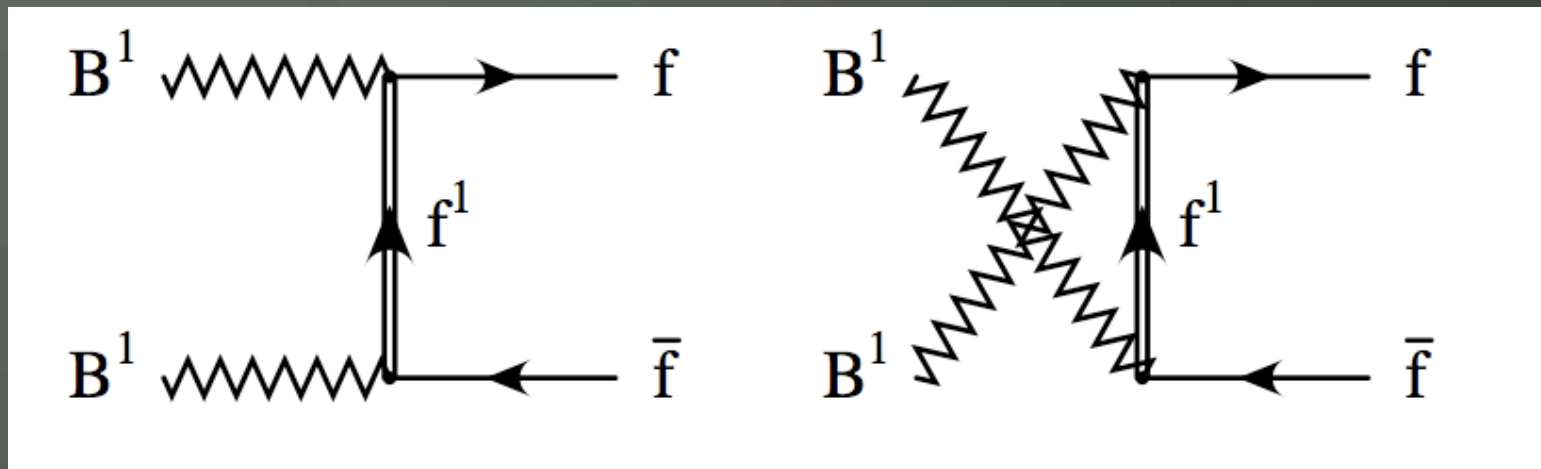
KK neutrino



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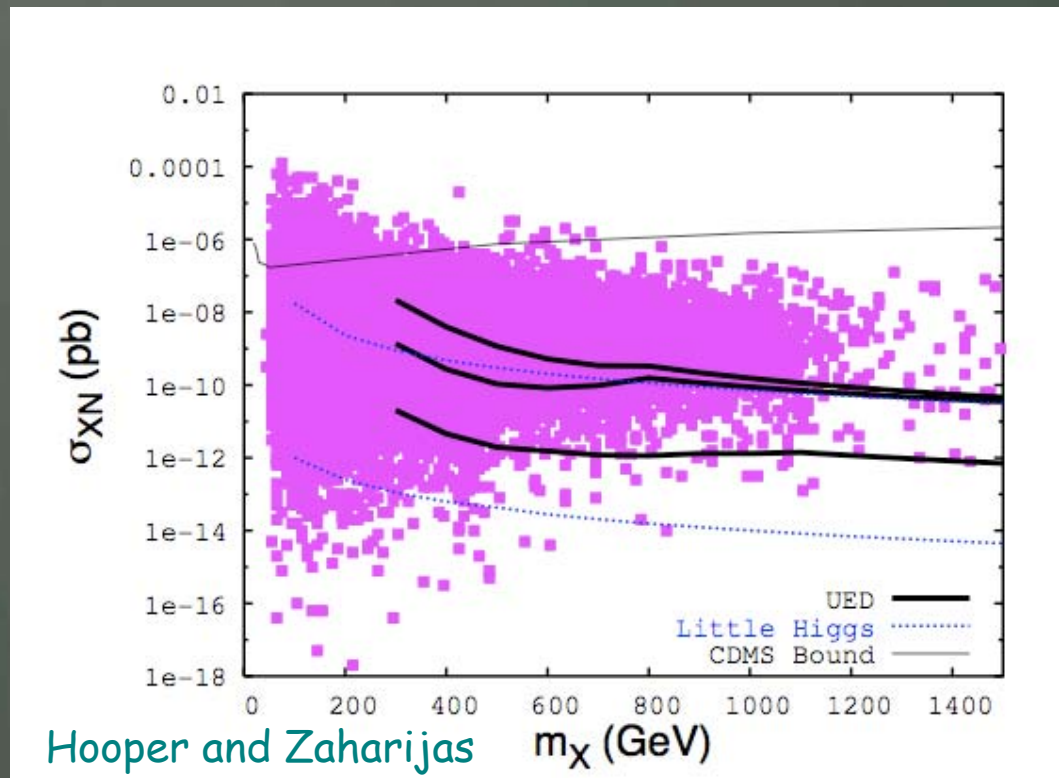
Figure 2: Prediction for $\Omega_{\nu^{(1)}} h^2$ as a function of the KK mass. The solid lines are for $\nu^{(1)}$ alone (in the one and three family cases) and the dotted ones correspond to the cases where coannihilation with degenerate $e_L^{(1)}$ is included.

LKP can annihilate to "hard" leptons



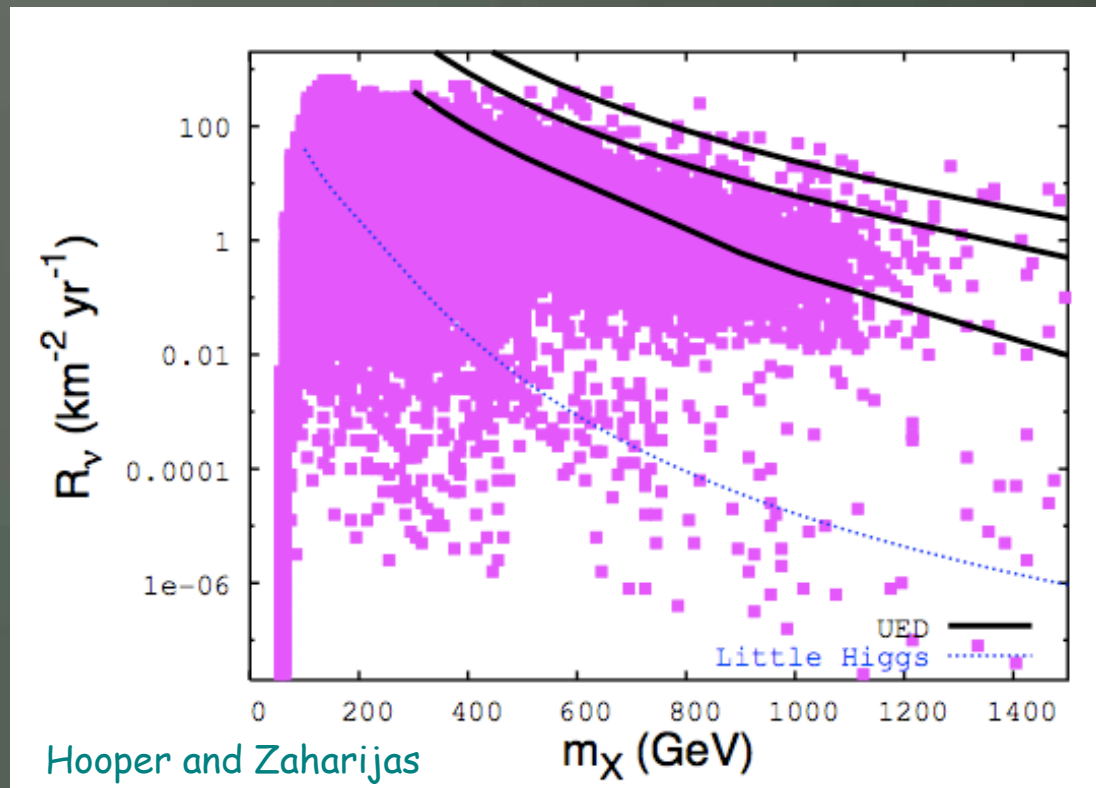
Distinguishing Scenarios (see Hooper and Zaharijas)

- Direct Detection

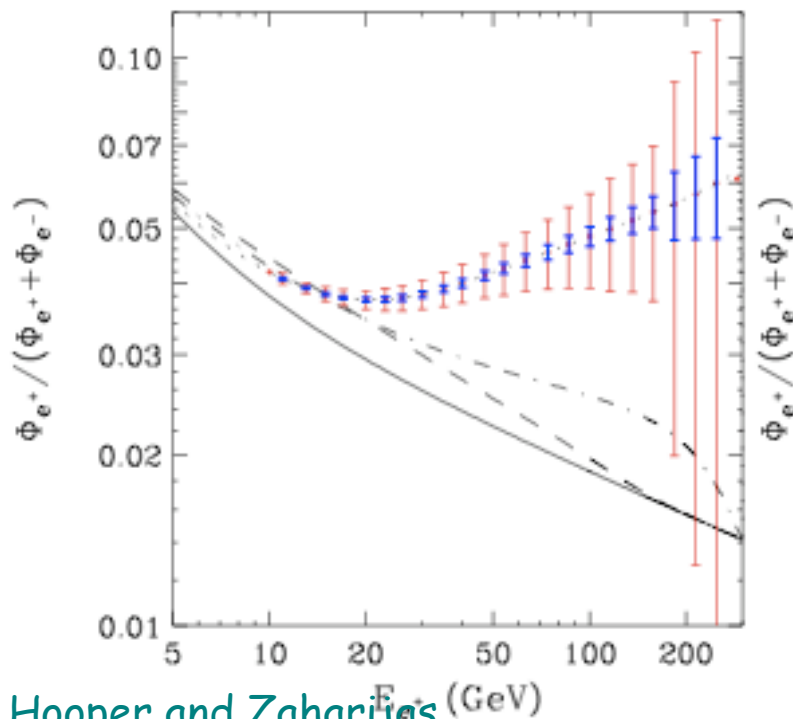


Fairly similar,
But ranges
Somewhat different

Indirect Detection: Neutrinos

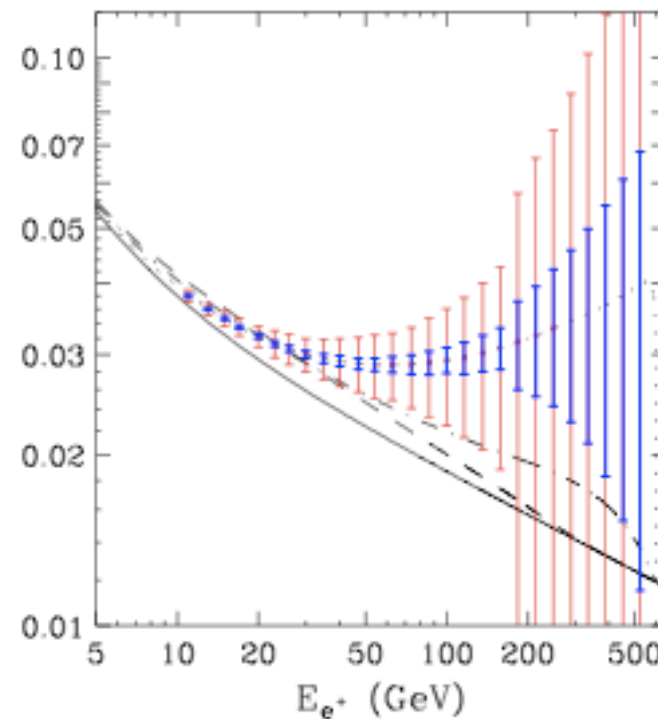


Distinguishing Via Positrons



Hooper and Zaharijas

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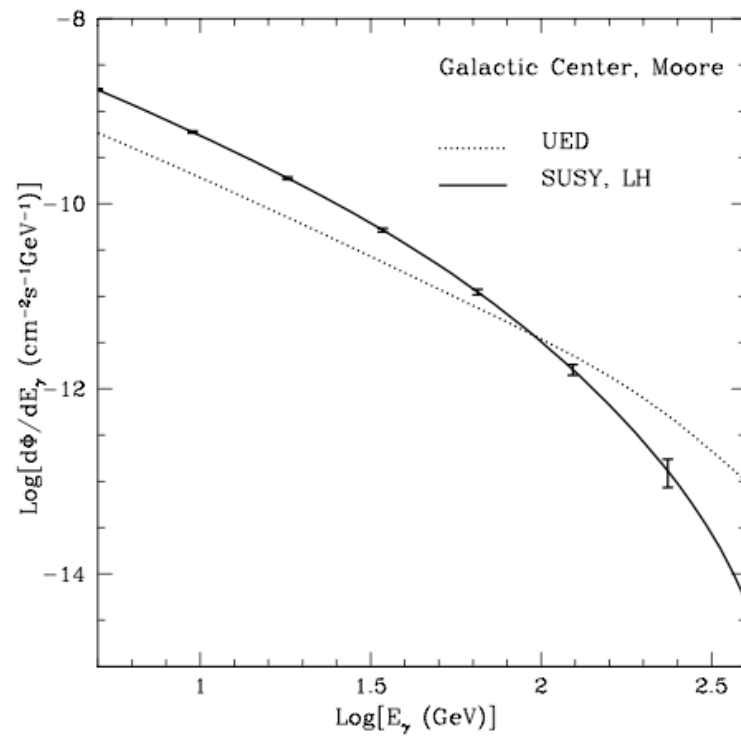
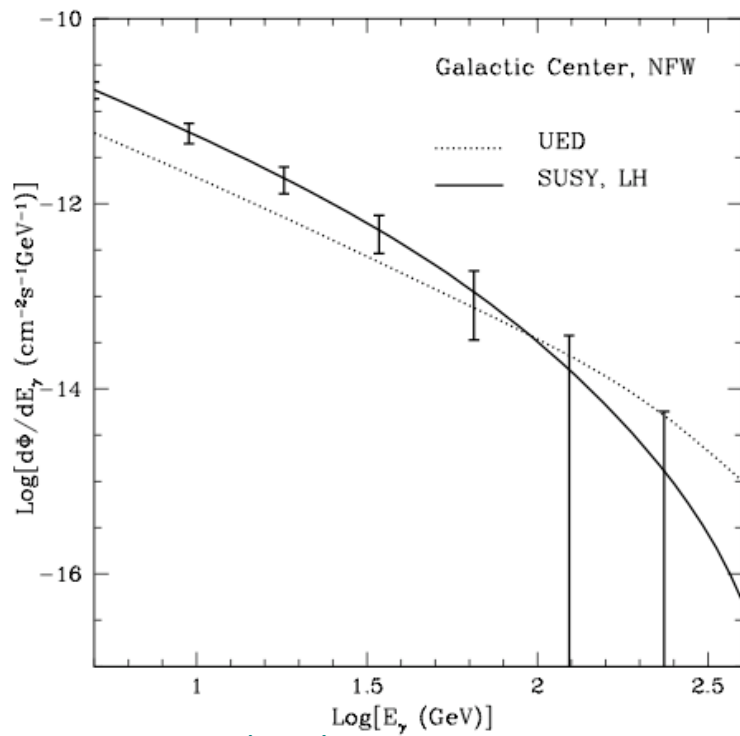
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Requires boost of 30

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Gamma Rays



Hooper and Zaharijas

Intermediate Summary #2: Distinguishing DM Models

- Direct Detection hard to distinguish, but can specify mass ranges (high/low)
- Indirect can be useful:
 - Strong Neutrino Signal
 - Hard Positron spectrum
- Strong interplay with colliders

Motivating Exotica: The INTEGRAL Excess

- Are there things we simply cannot do in the MSSM?
- Yes!

INTEGRAL Line

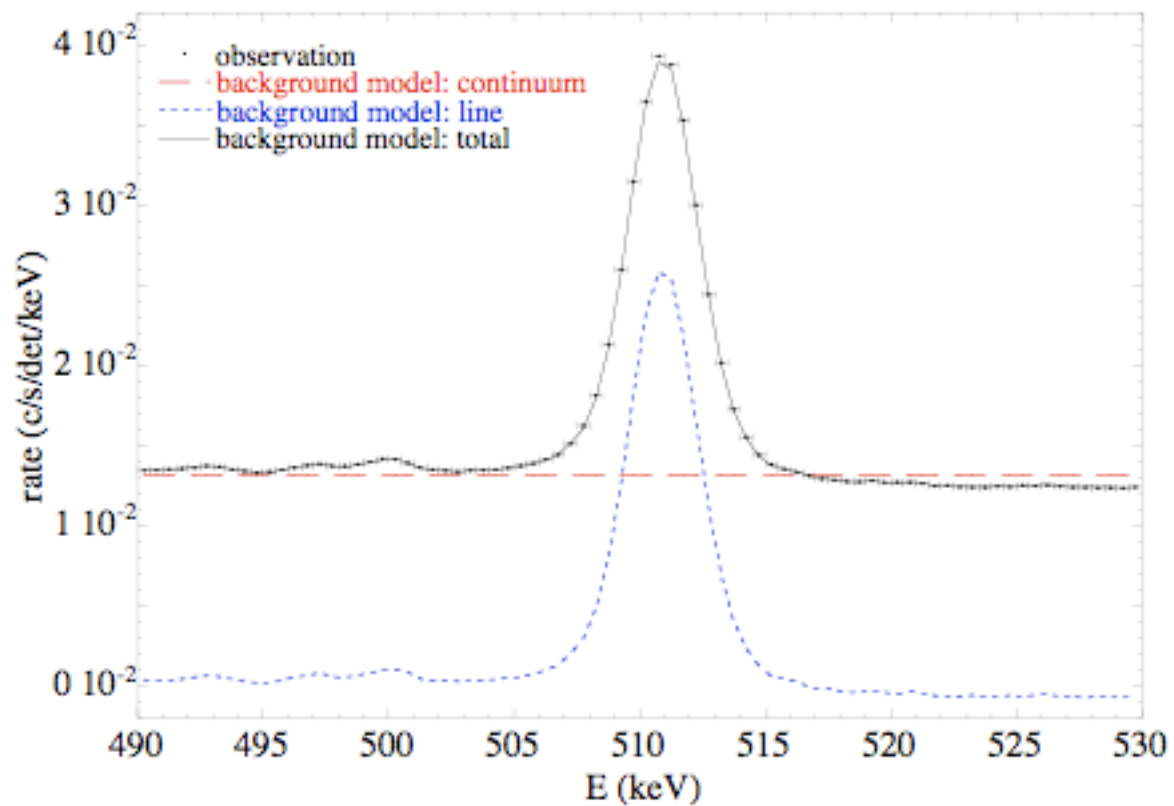
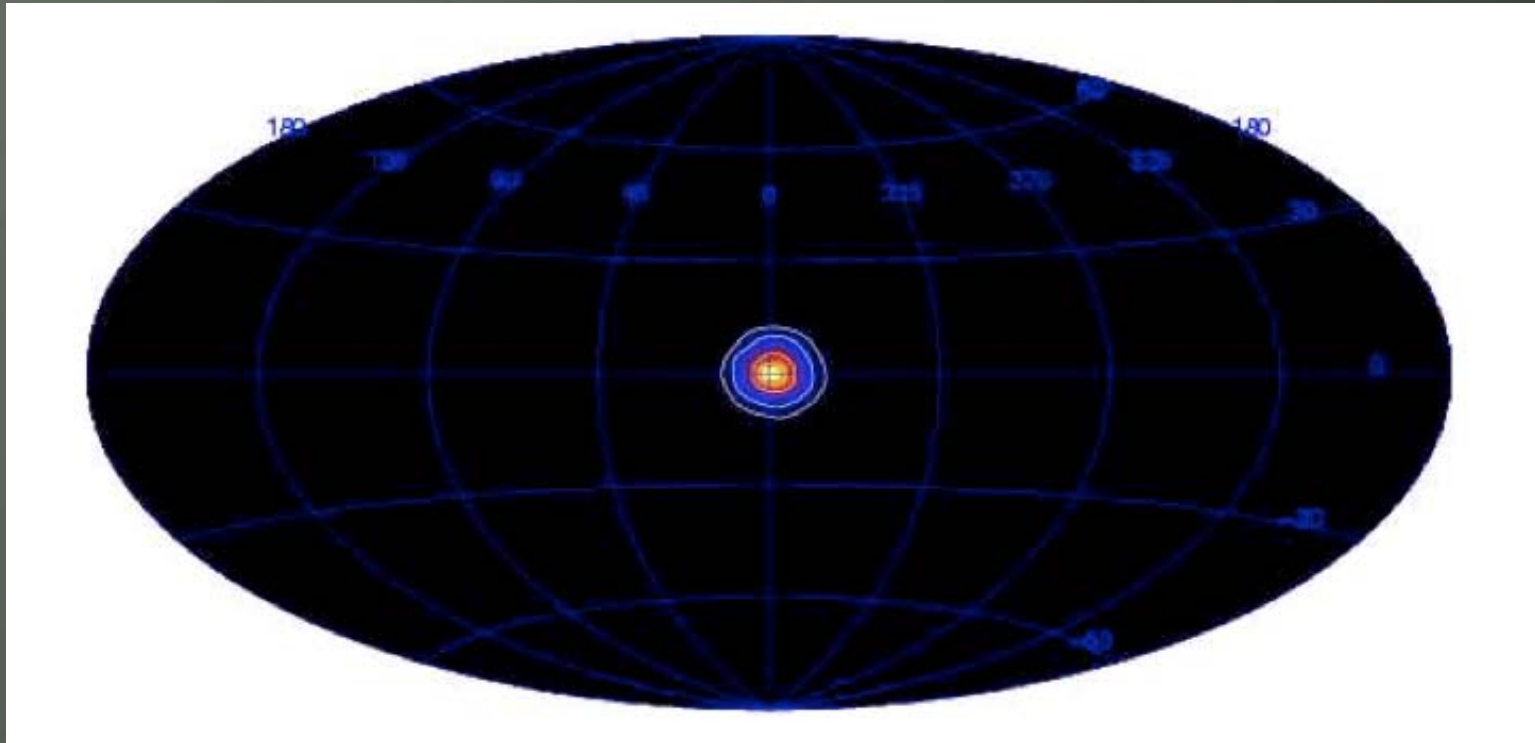


Fig. 1. Raw spectrum and background model components.

INTEGRAL source

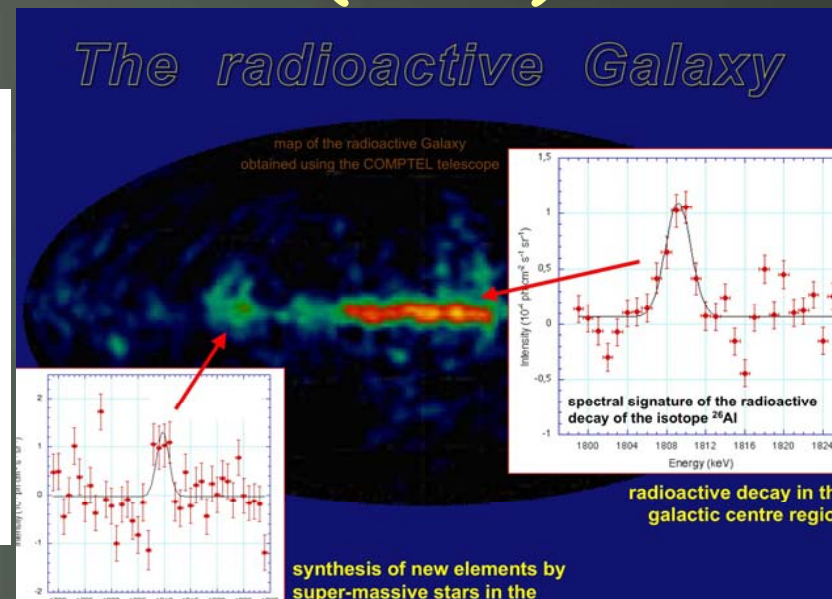
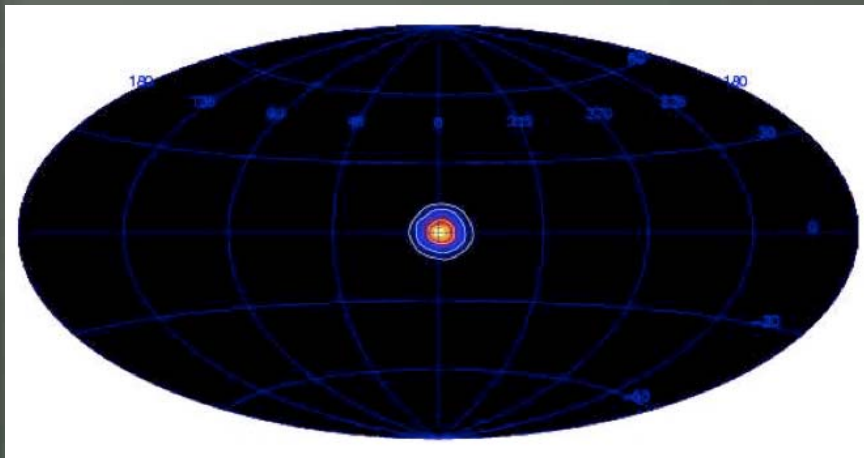


- Not consistent with point source
 - (needed 7 in 1yr data)

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511keV vs 1800keV (^{26}Al)



Doesn't (by eye) appear to correlate with supernovae

What the INTEGRAL signal is NOT

- It is NOT a standard WIMP annihilating into positrons
 - Need cross section ~ 1 mbn
 - Spectrum of line implies positrons produced with at most few MeV energy

What might it be?

- MeV dark matter (LDM - Boehm and Fayet)
 - Dark Matter Annihilates into Positrons
- "Exciting" Dark Matter (XDM - Finkbeiner, NW)
 - Dark matter has an nearby excited state which is excited by collisions in the halo
- Decaying DM? (Hooper and Wang; Pospelov and Ritz)

Not the MSSM for sure!

Real Summary

- SUSY is a popular model, but there's no evidence for it
 - Many models miss important phenomenology
- BSM theories *generically* have DM in the same way that SUSY does
- Astrophysical Studies may distinguish these *if* we get enough positive signals
 - More likely need interplay between collider and astro
- Possible Astrophysical Signals point away from any scenario we've considered so far!

Can we ignore exotic DM?

- After all, we'll do these tests anyway, right?
- Except: Light DM (MeV, 1-10 GeV), should be considered
- Keep an open mind - we don't know as much as we think we do!