



# MAGIC searches for Dark Matter

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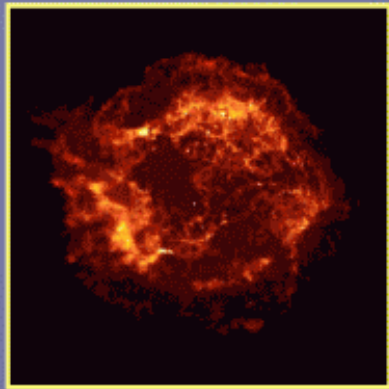
- Roque de los Muchachos (La Palma, Canary Islands), 2200m asl
- 17m dish with active mirror control,  $f/d=1.0$ , 3.5deg FoV
- analog signals transferred to counting house (fibres)
- regular data taking:
  - first telescope since 2004
  - second telescope/stereo since Sept. 2009

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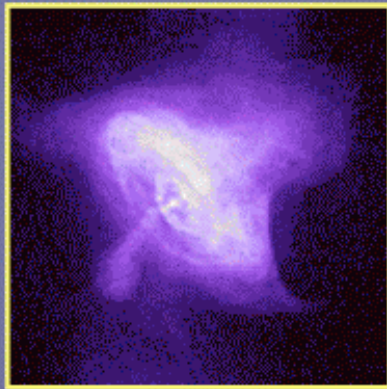


- Trigger threshold  $\sim 50$  GeV ( $\sim 25$  GeV for Pulsars only)
- Analysis threshold  $>60$  GeV ( $\sim 50$  GeV stereo)
- Energy resolution  $\sim 20\%$  ( $\sim 15\%$  stereo)
- Integral sensitivity 50h: 1.6% Crab (1% Crab stereo)
- Fast repositioning:  $<20$ s

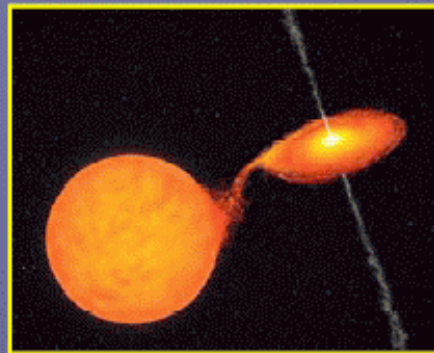
# Some Physics Objectives



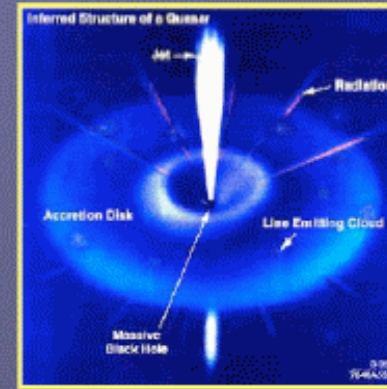
SNRs



Pulsars  
and PWNe



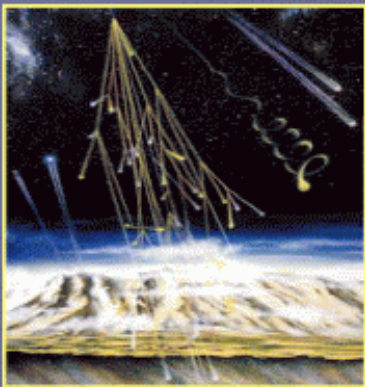
Micro quasars  
X-ray binaries



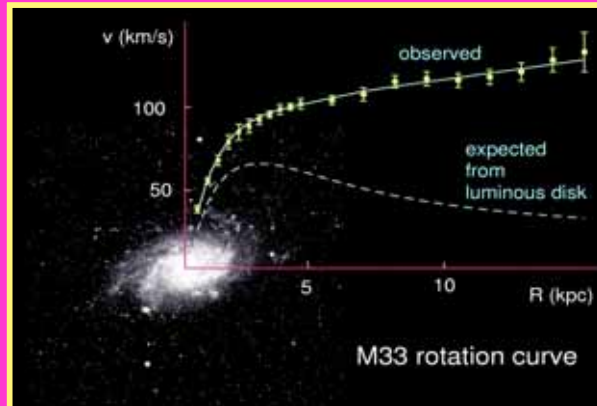
AGNs



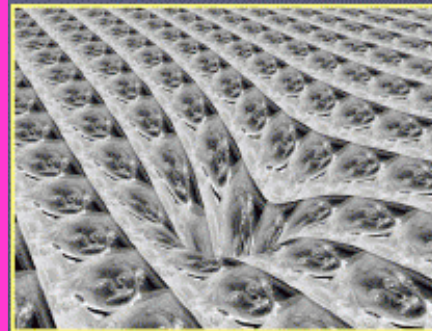
GRBs



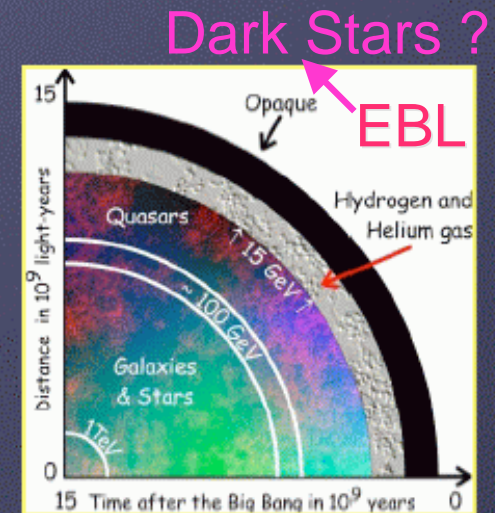
Origin of  
cosmic rays



Dark matter



Space-time  
& relativity

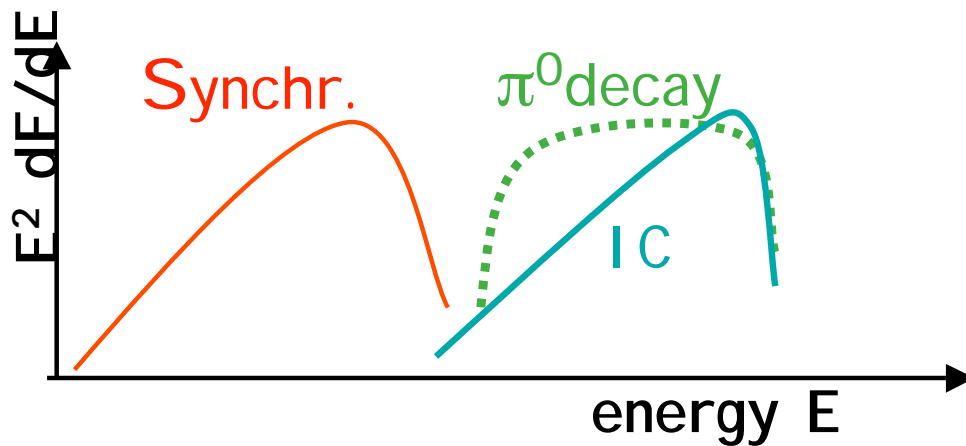


Cosmology

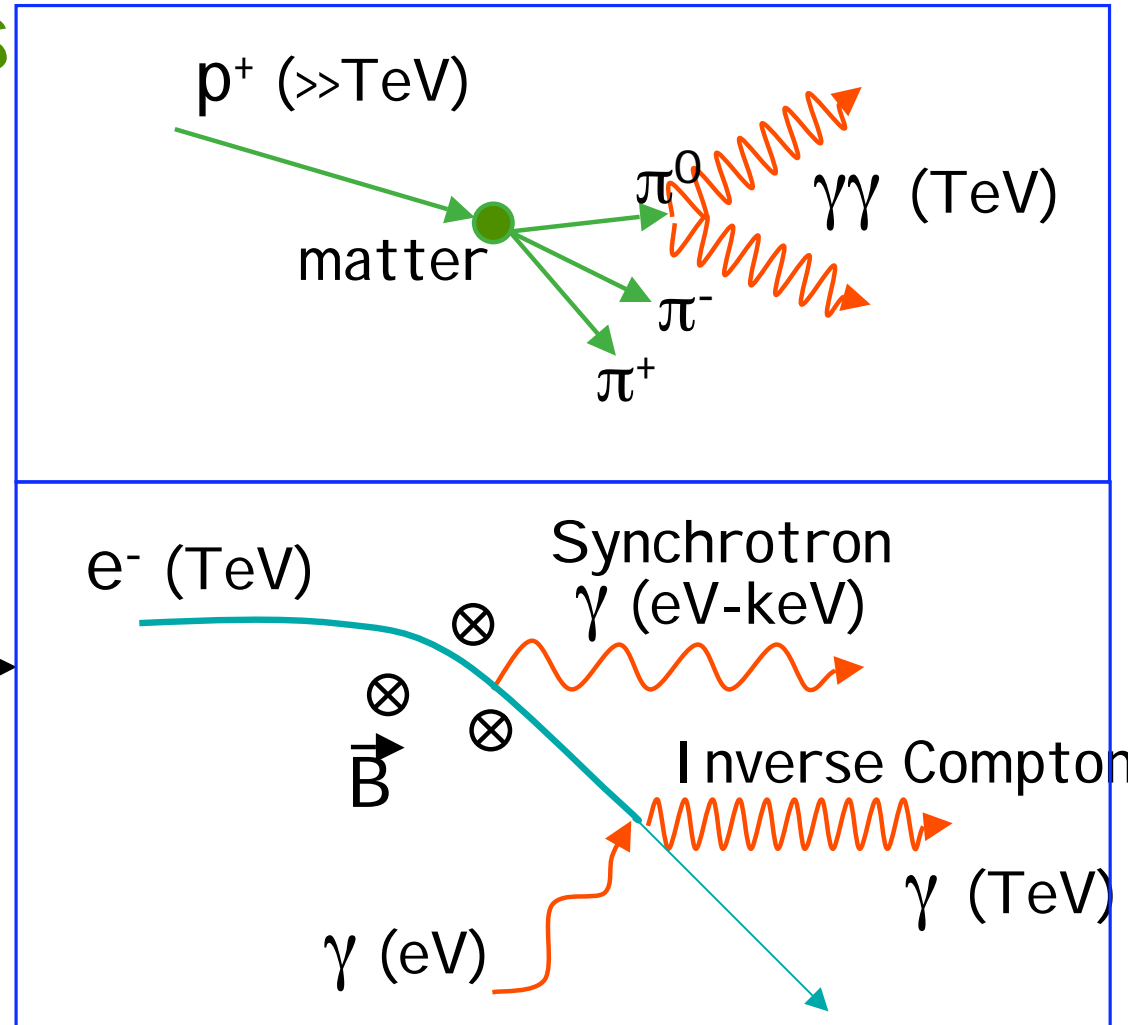
# 'Standard' Origins of VHE- $\gamma$

VHE photons do have non-thermal origin(s)

Do  $p$  or  $e^-$  act as seed particles?

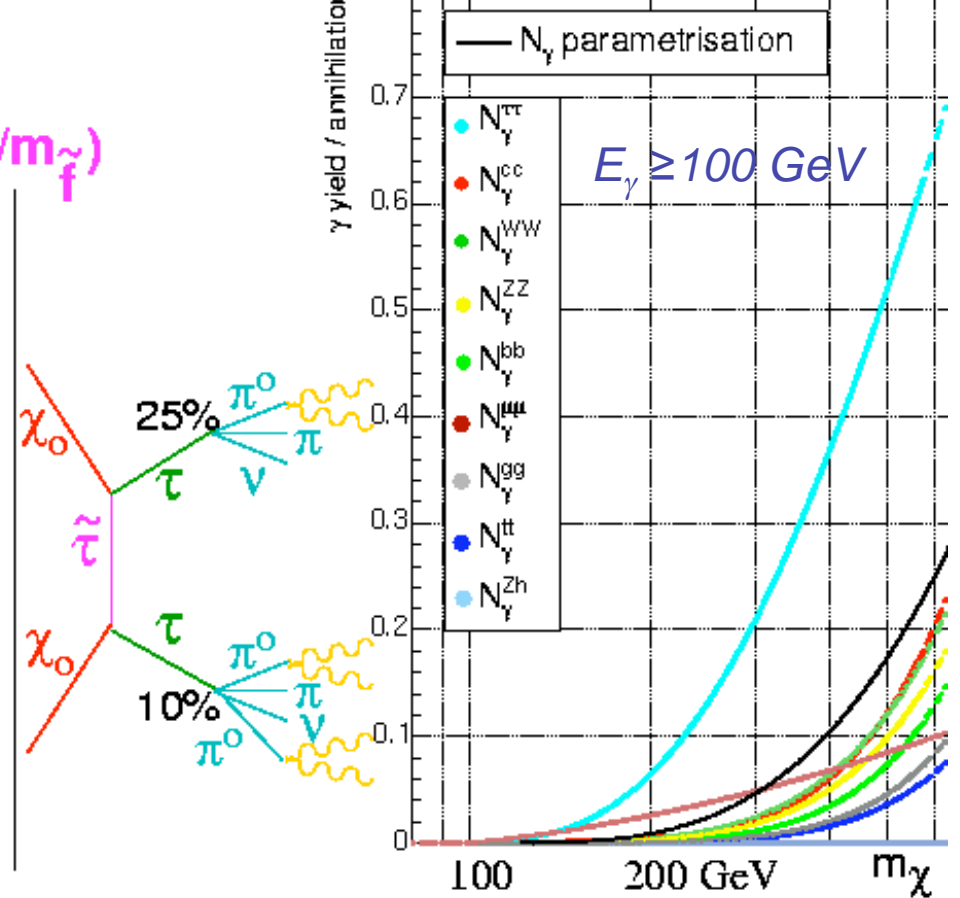
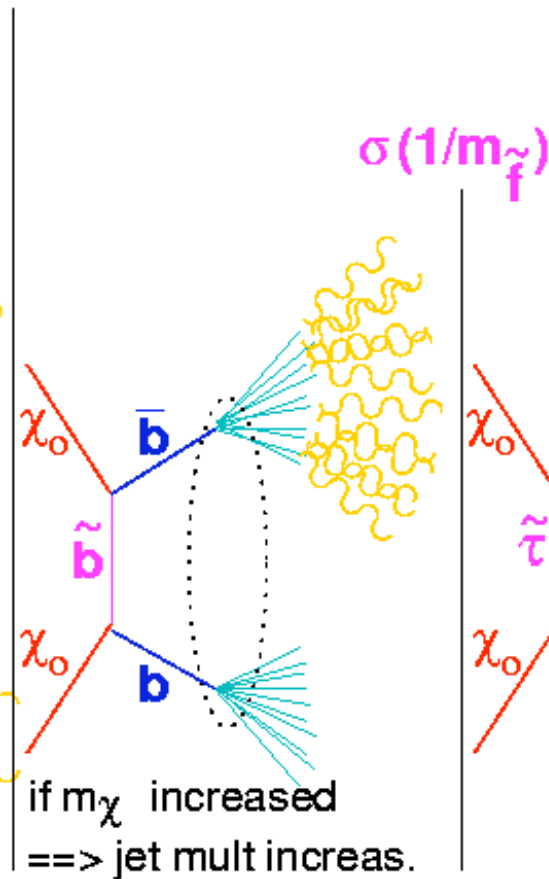
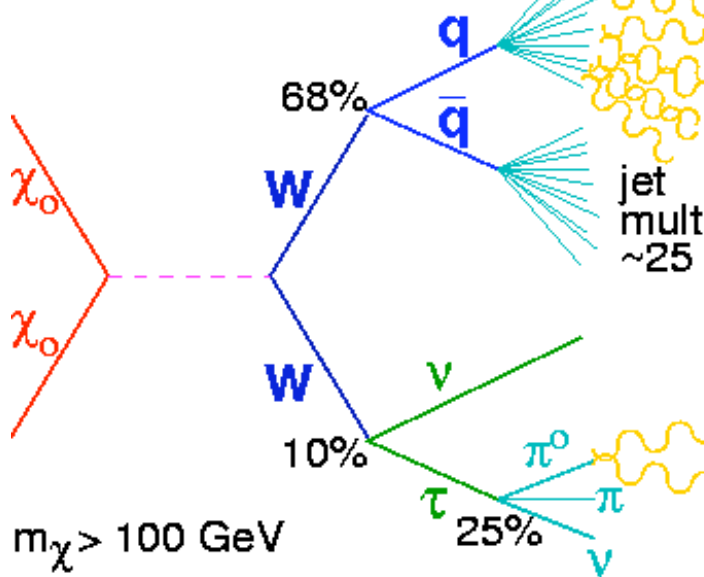
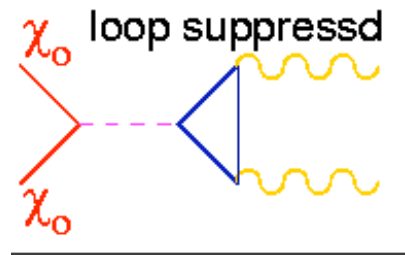


distinguish hadronic vs. leptonic 'acceleration':  
 => shape of spectrum;  
 Multi-wavelength



# VHE- $\gamma$ from e.g. $\chi_0$ -annihilation

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# Where to look for DM ?

Flux calculation:

$$\Phi = \frac{N(\sigma v)}{2 \pi m_{\chi}^2} \times \frac{1}{\Delta\Omega} \int d\Omega \int \rho^2 ds$$

uncertainties  $O(10^x)$

Particle physics

CDM density distribution

## Particle Physics:

in this talk concentrate on 'mSUGRA'  
(subset of SUSY parameter space)

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Via Lactea II (Diemand et al. 2008)

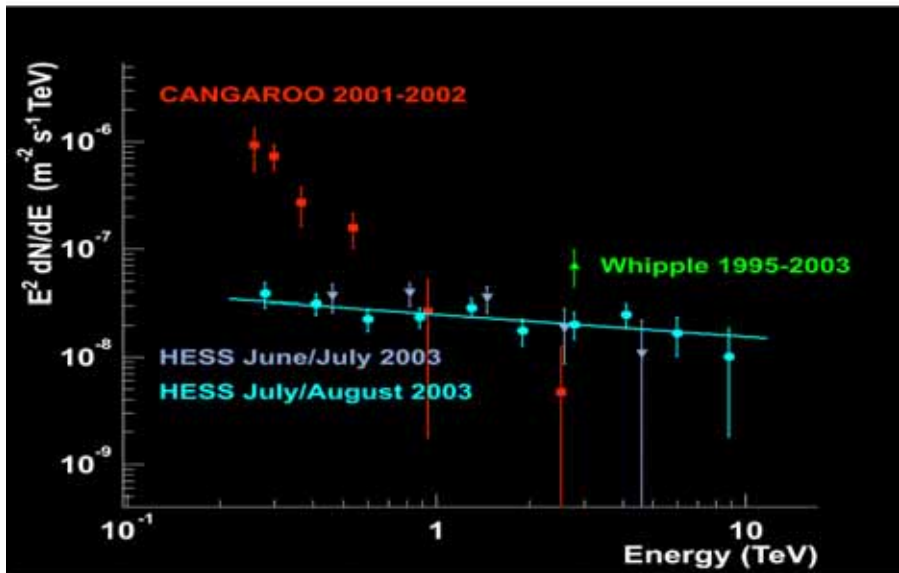
Need region with high  $\rho_{\text{DM}}^2$





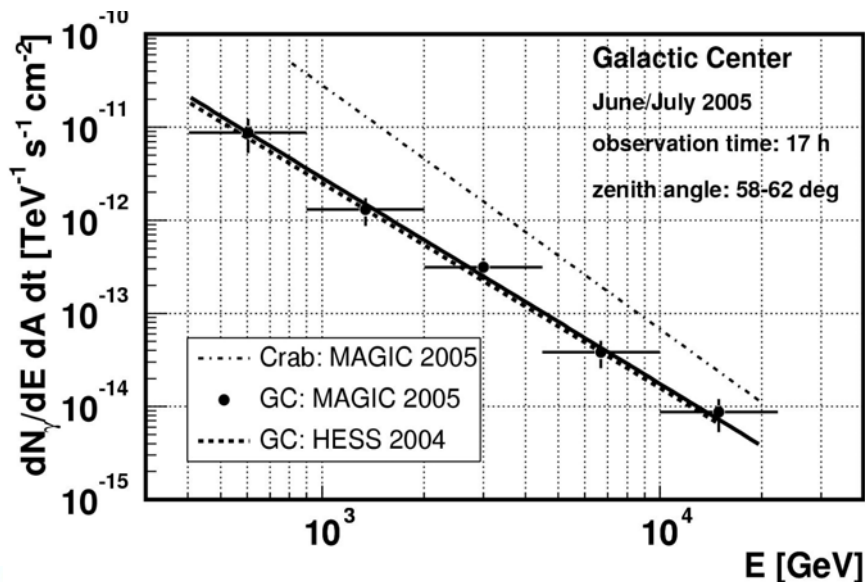
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existed contradicting measurements  
CANGAROO vs. H.E.S.S.

CANGAROO looked more DM-like,  
but (unfortunately) MAGIC showed  
H.E.S.S. to be correct ...



Observed for 17h Jul/Aug.05; **ZA:58°-63°**

- $6\sigma$  signal
- $\alpha = -2.2 \pm 0.2$
- 600-15000 GeV
- Excellent agreement with H.E.S.S. ;  
incompatible with CANGAROO

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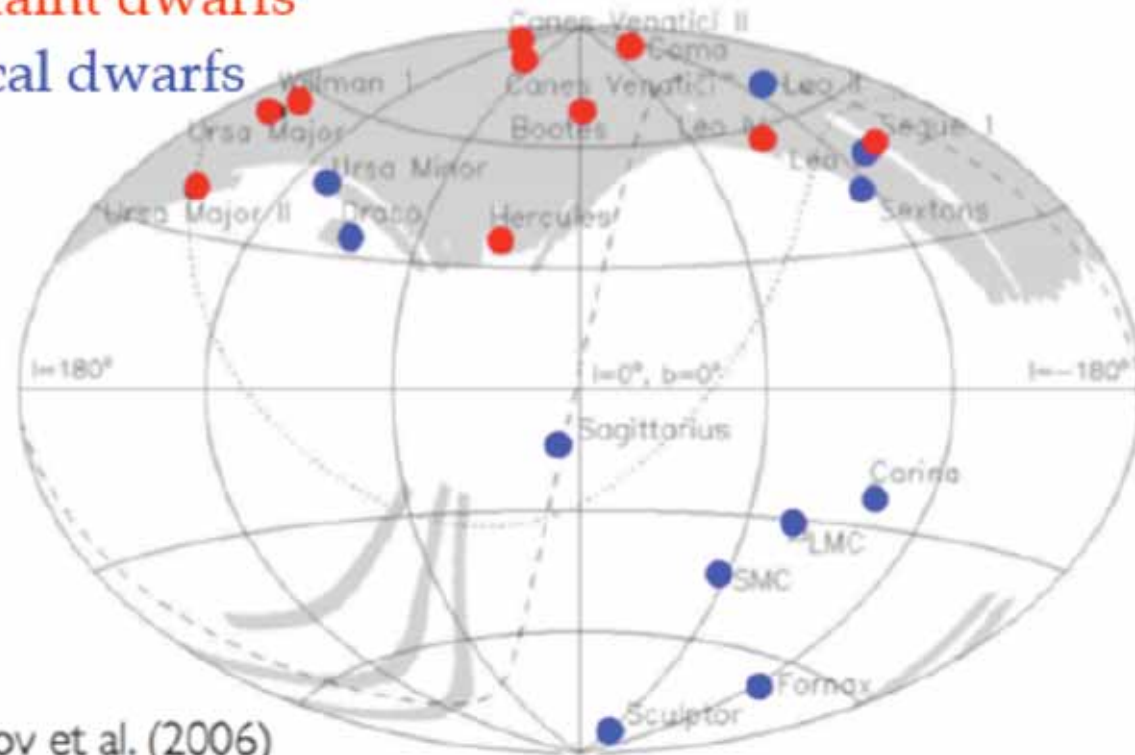
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# Spheroidal Dwarf Galaxies

- small companion galaxies of Milky Way
  - ==> rather nearby
- usually have very large M/L ratio
  - ==> high  $\rho_{DM}^2$

● ultra-faint dwarfs

● classical dwarfs



Belokurov et al. (2006)



# e.g. DRACO ('classical Dwarf')

MAGIC: ApJ 679, 428 (2008)

7.8h good observation data in 2007

large zenith angle ( $37^\circ$ )  $\Rightarrow$  high  $E_{\text{threshold}}=140\text{GeV}$

u.l.  $\sim 10^{-11}\gamma\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  (assuming spectral index -1.5)

But upper limit depends on expected spectra  
(spectral index and cutoff energy)

$\Rightarrow$  different for each mSUGRA model

$\Rightarrow$  not very useful to give a global u.l. value

Better: u.l. for predefined benchmark points

[ Battaglia et al., Eur.Phys.J., C33, 273 ]

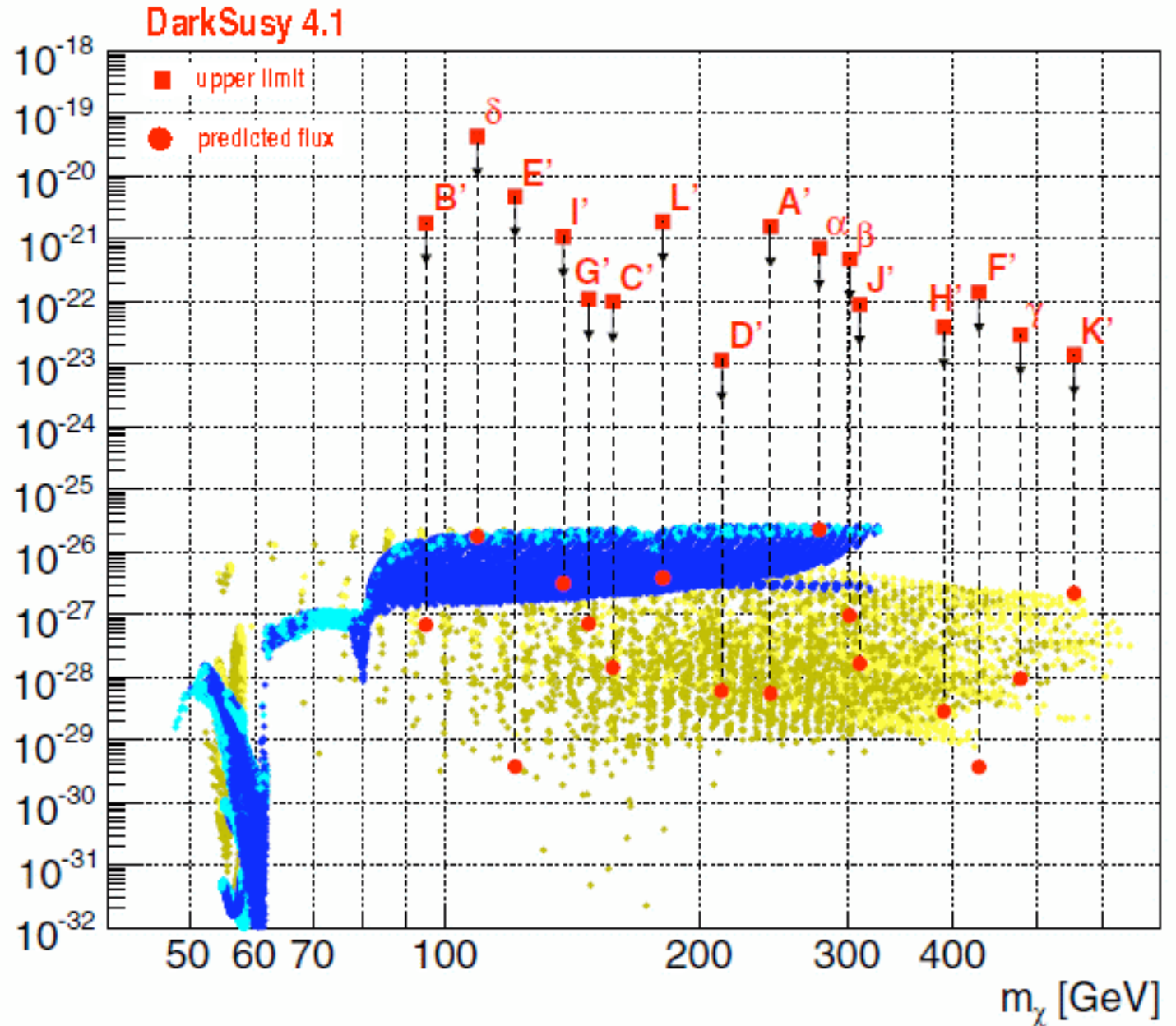
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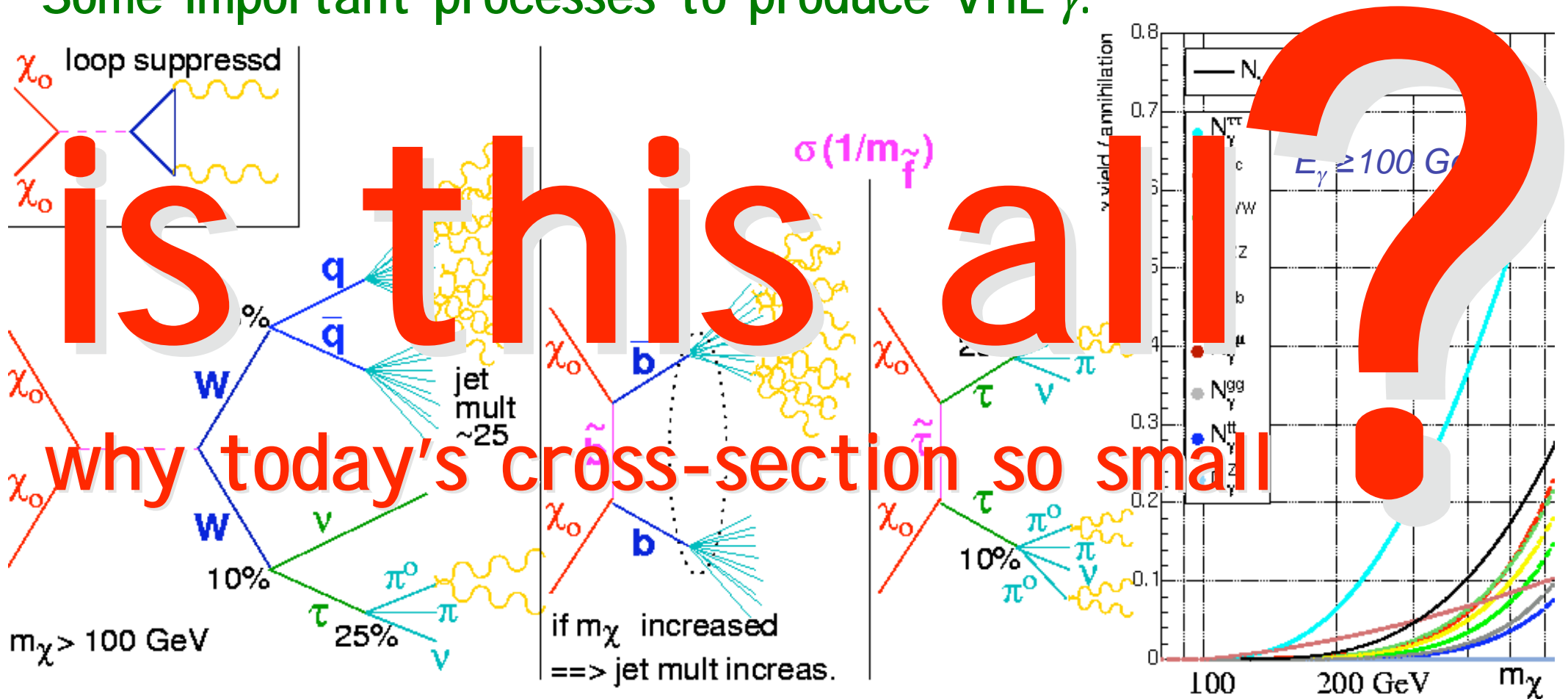
[Sanchez-Conde et al., Phys Rev D76]

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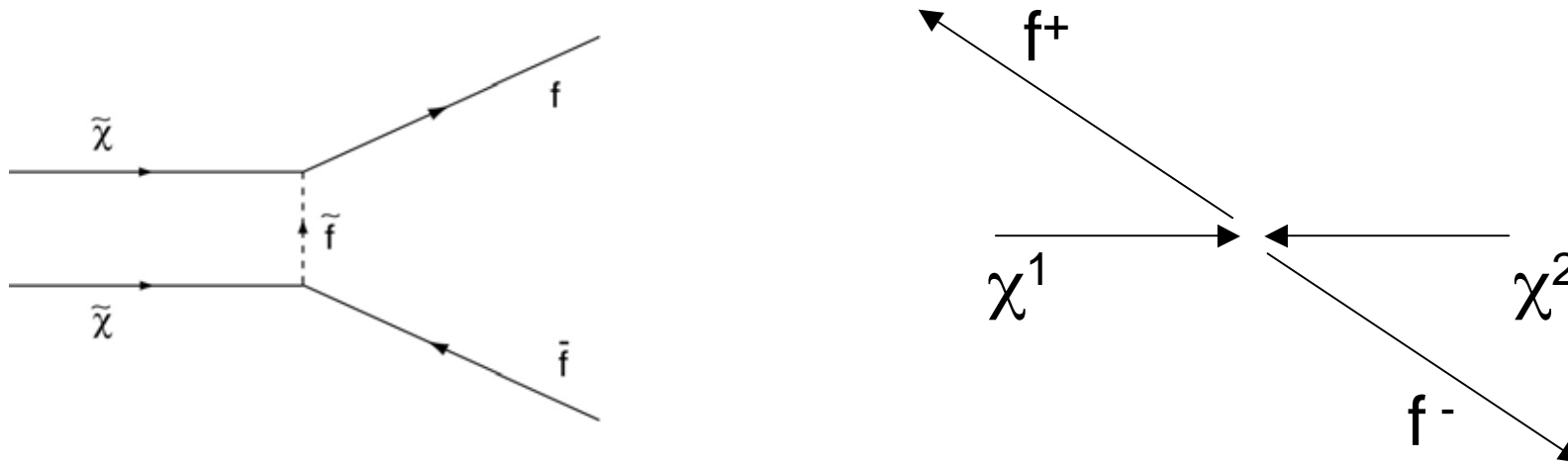
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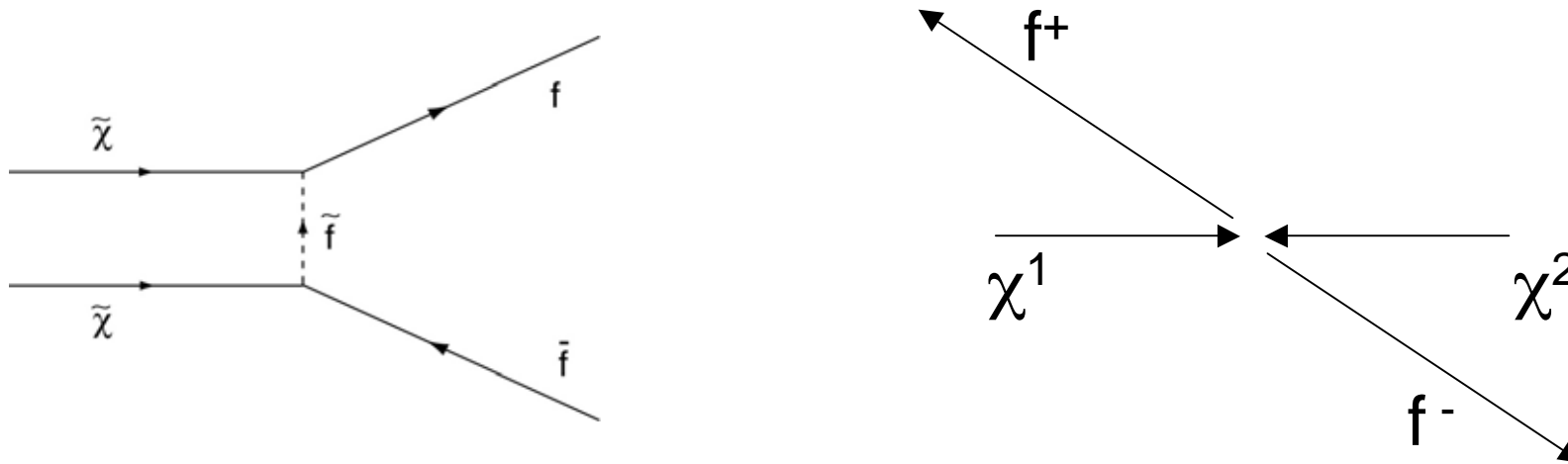


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Early Universe ( $\implies$  relic density): no problem

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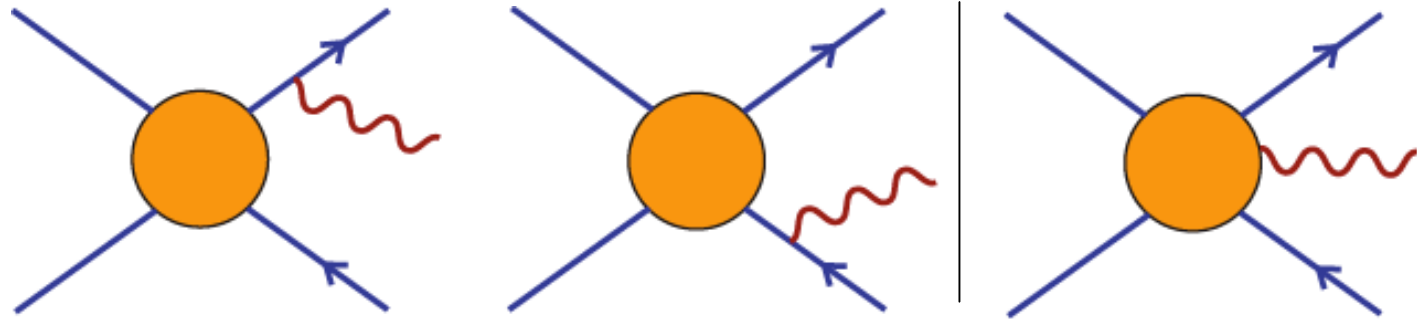
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identical quantum state  $\implies$  annihilation  
 suppressed by Pauli-Principle

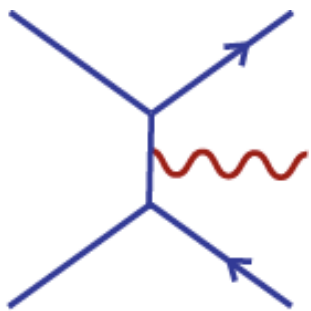
# VHE- $\gamma$ from e.g. $\chi_0$ -annihilation

Bringmann, Bergstrom, Edsjo; JHEP 0801,049 (2008)



Bremsstrahlung: does not help

YES !!!



photon has  $s_\gamma = 1 \Rightarrow s_{\chi_1} = -s_{\chi_2} \Rightarrow$  allowed  
 $\Rightarrow$  much higher cross-section  
*QED correction  $O(10^6)$  instead  $O(10^{-2})$*

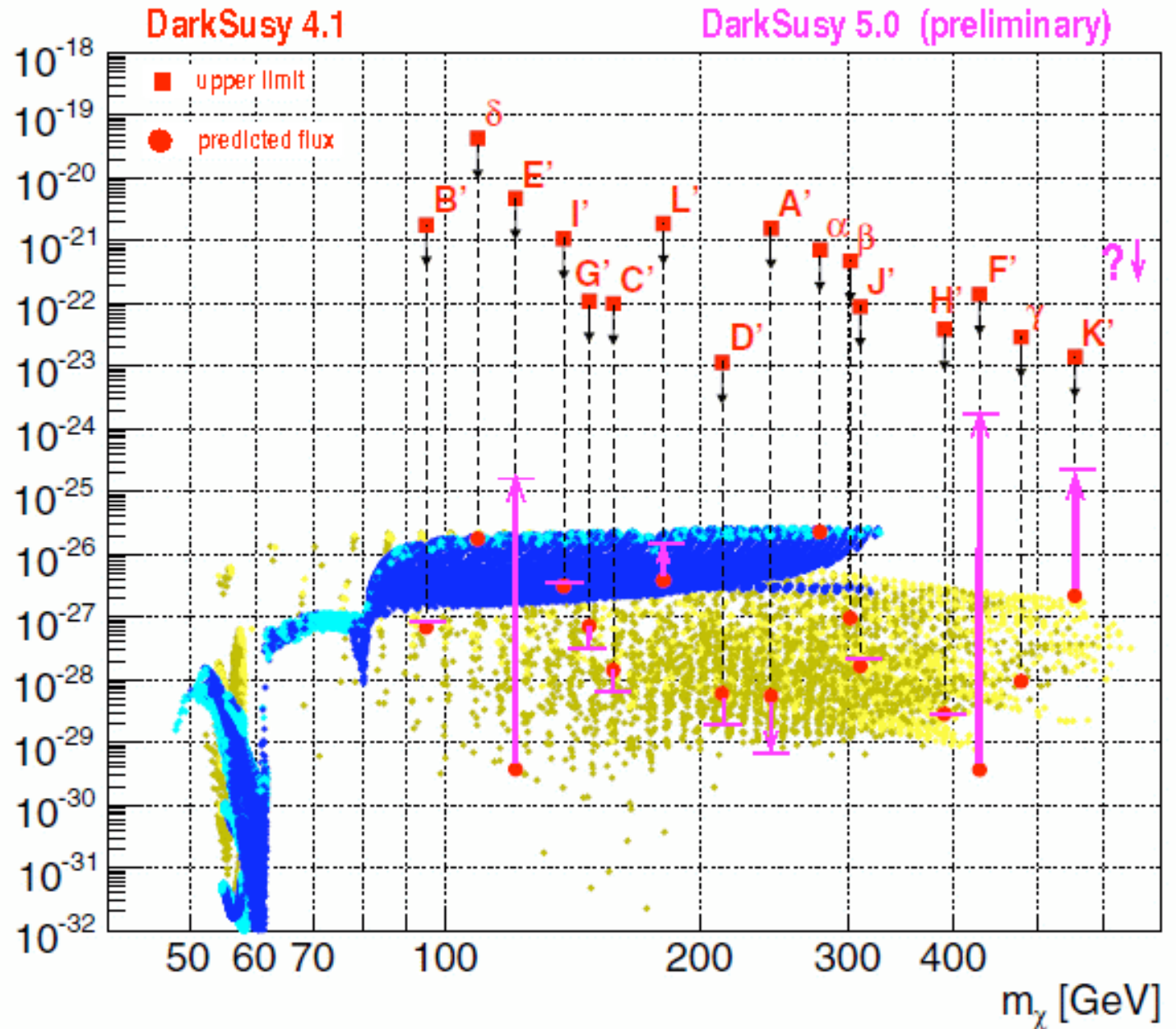
Additionally: typical  $E_\gamma > 0.5 m_\chi$   
 (perfect for Cherenkov Telescopes)

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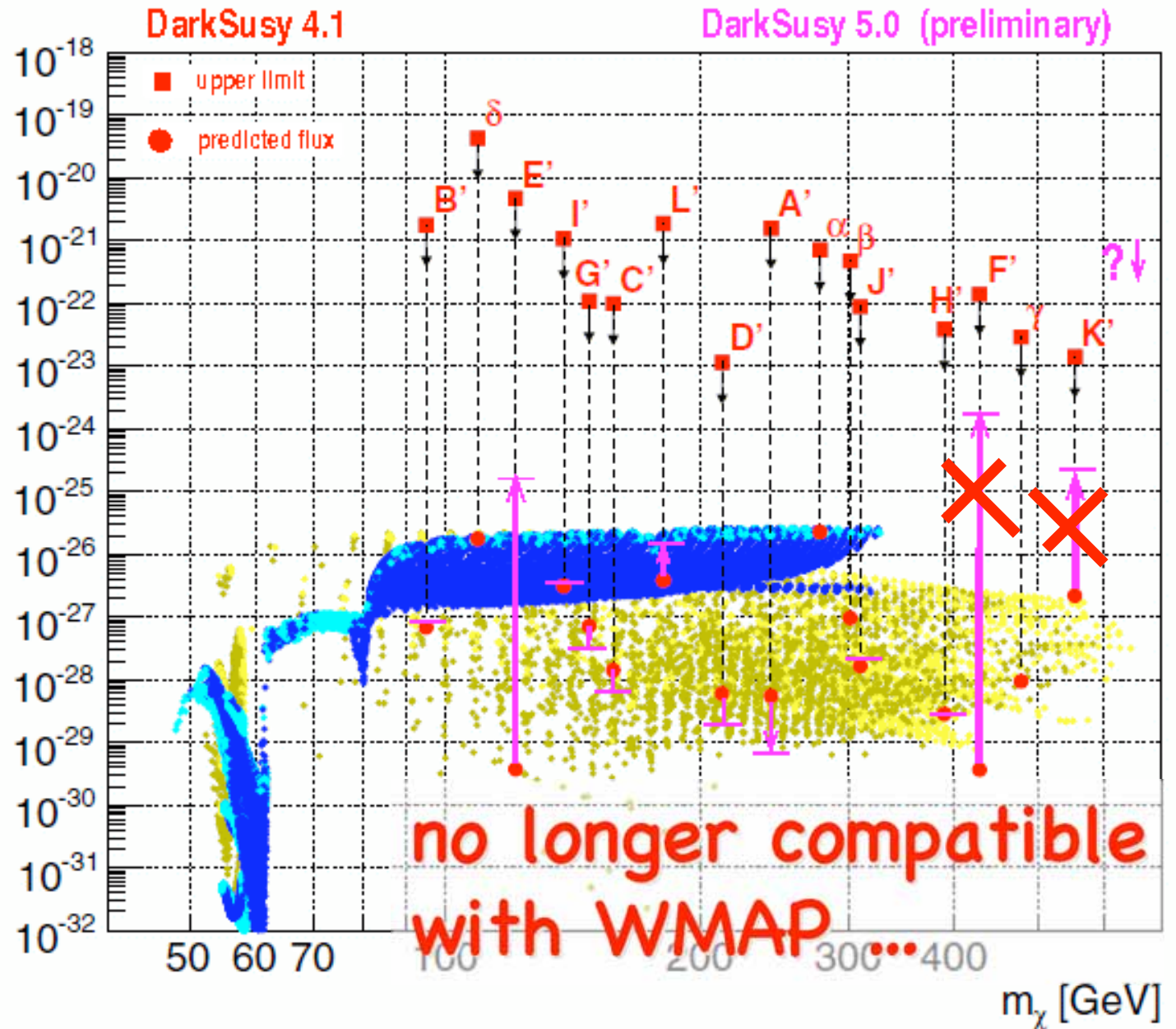


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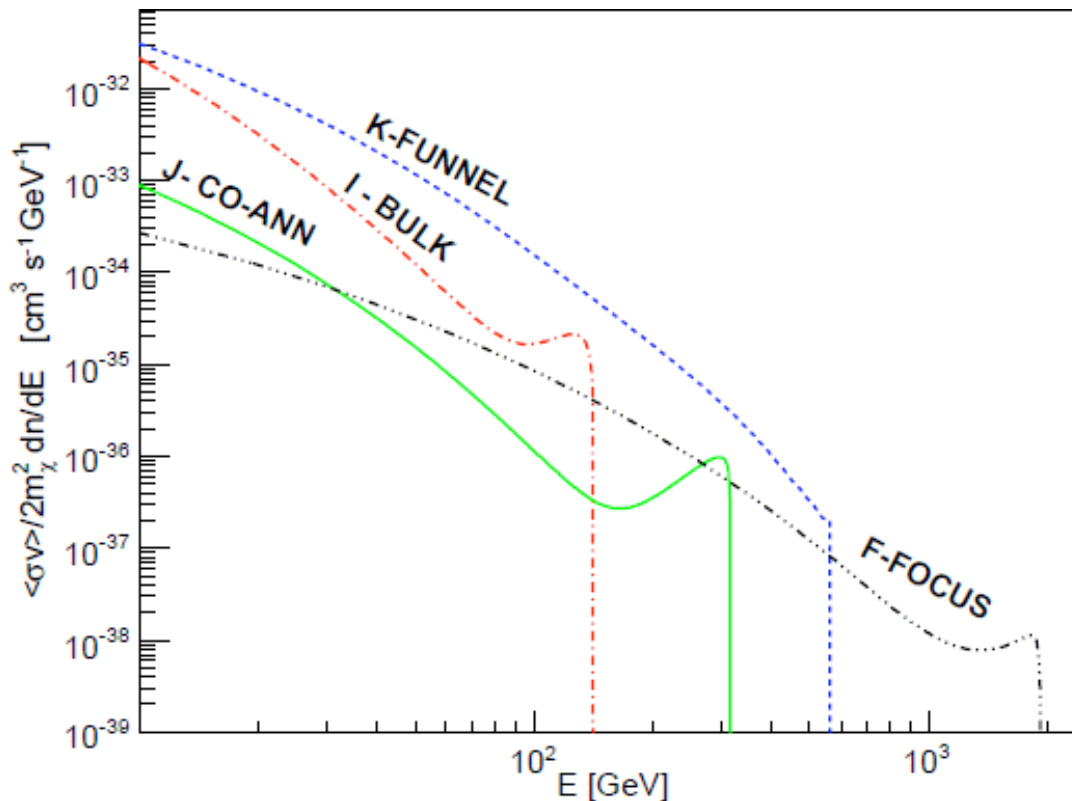
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# Other Benchmark Points ...

Bringmann, Doro, Fornasa; JCAP01, 016 (2009)

BM	$m_{1/2}$	$m_0$	$\tan \beta$	$A_0$	$sign(\mu)$	$m_\chi$	$\langle \sigma v_{\chi\chi} \rangle$	$\Phi^{PP}(> 100)$
$I'$	350	181	35	0	+	141	$3.62 \times 10^{-27}$	$7.55 \times 10^{-34}$
$J'$	750	299	35	0	+	316	$3.19 \times 10^{-28}$	$1.23 \times 10^{-34}$
$K'$	1300	1001	46	0	-	565	$2.59 \times 10^{-26}$	$6.33 \times 10^{-33}$
$F^*$	7792	22100	24.1	17.7	+	1926	$2.57 \times 10^{-27}$	$5.98 \times 10^{-34}$



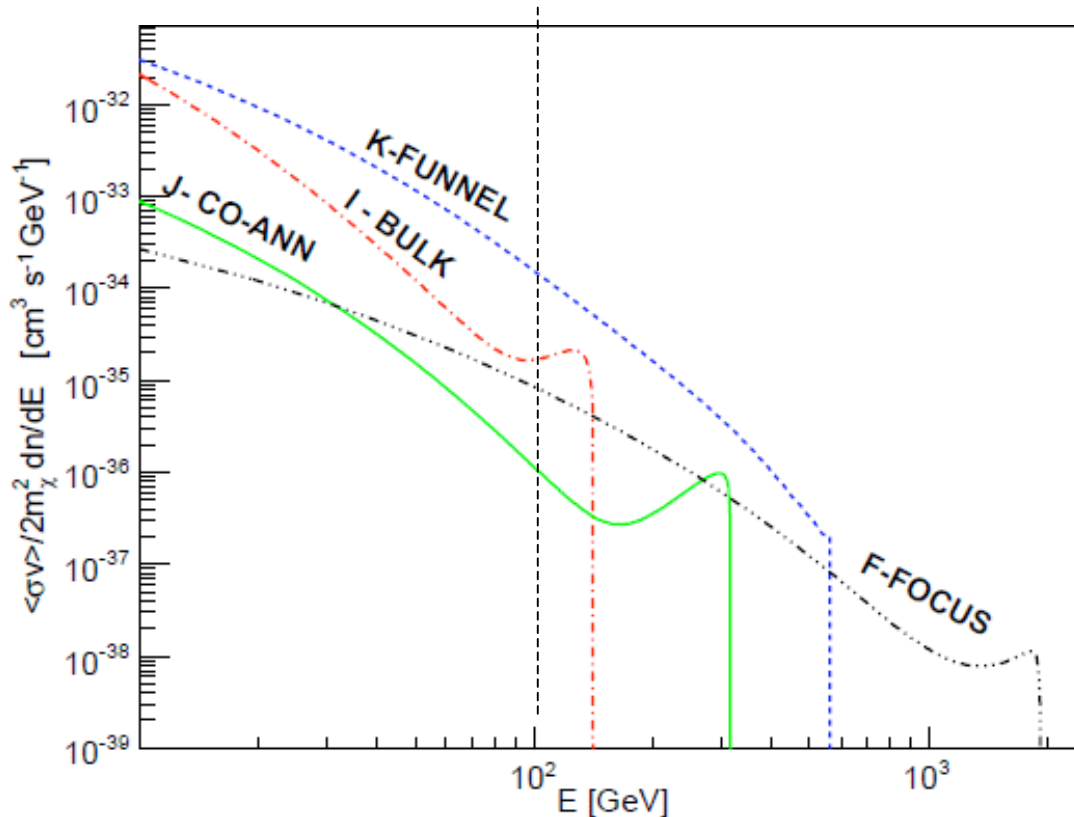
taking into account  
'internal Bremsstrahlung'

# Willman-I ('ultra-faint Dwarf')

MAGIC: ApJ 697,1299 (2009)

Observed for 15.5h in 2008

==> upper limit  $10^{-12}$  ph  $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  above 100 GeV



$\Phi^{model}(> 100 \text{ GeV})$	$\Phi^{u.l.}(> 100 \text{ GeV})$	$B^{u.l.}$
$2.64 \times 10^{-16}$	$9.87 \times 10^{-12}$	$3.7 \times 10^4$
$4.29 \times 10^{-17}$	$5.69 \times 10^{-12}$	$1.3 \times 10^5$
$2.32 \times 10^{-15}$	$6.83 \times 10^{-12}$	$2.9 \times 10^3$
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again, can only  
exclude boosts  
>1000 ...

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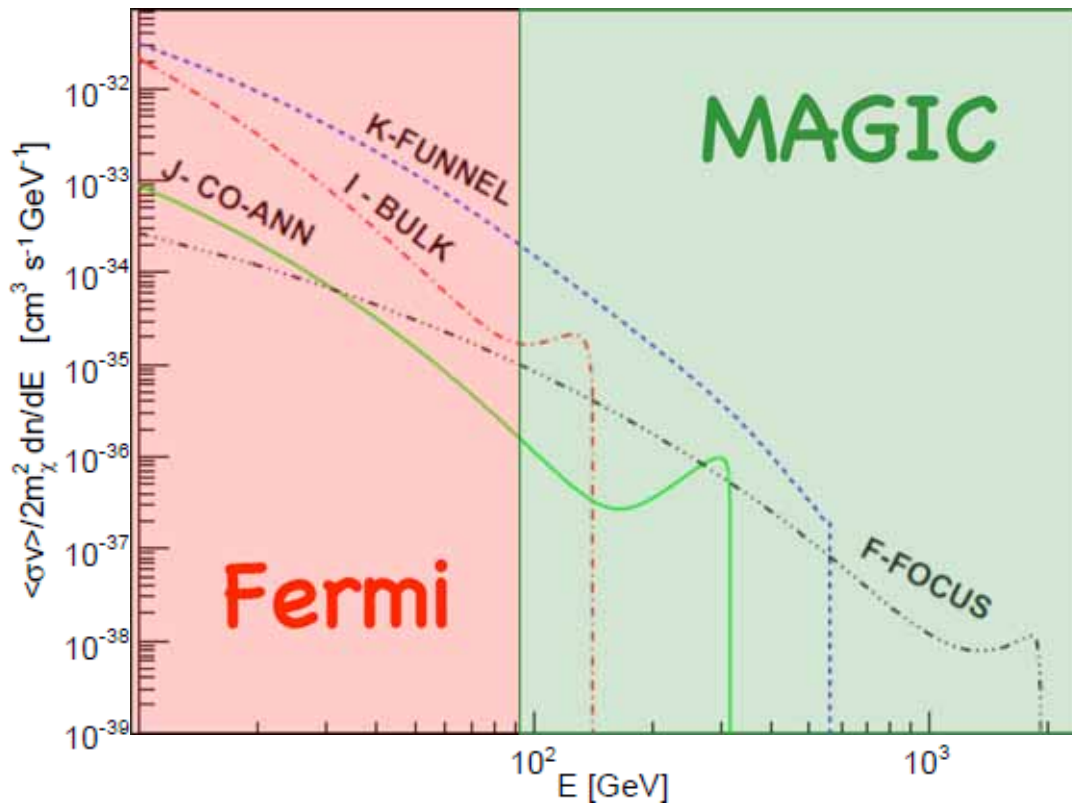
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- Predicted existence of DM-clumps within our galaxy (smaller version of Dwarf Gal.)
- Hypothetical Intermediate Mass Black Holes within our galaxy could have accreted large amount of DM

==> could be very nearby ==> very bright

But only significant emission from DM  
==> invisible to 'ordinary Astronomers'  
but bright(?) for Fermi or AGILE

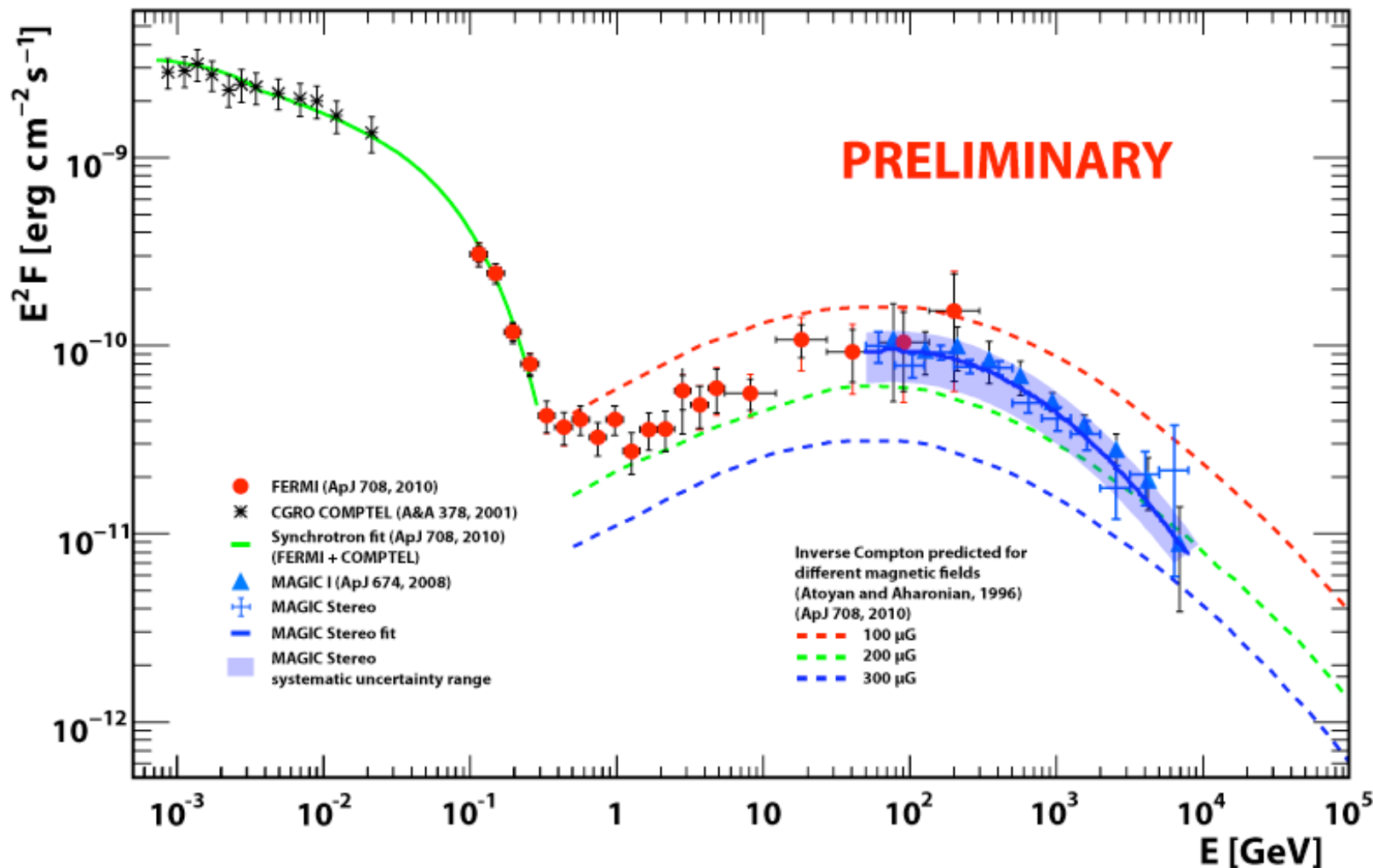
- smoking gun: Fermi finds several objects
- without counterpart in other wavelengths
  - all having same spectrum
- ( spectrum compatible with a DM model ? )



Most probably,  
Fermi energy range  
not sufficient to  
measure spectrum  
(especially cutoff)

## Crab Nebula Spectrum

MAGIC Stereo in combination with neighbouring wavelengths



The low energy threshold makes MAGIC ideal partner...



# UFOs

Unidentified  
Fermi  
Objects

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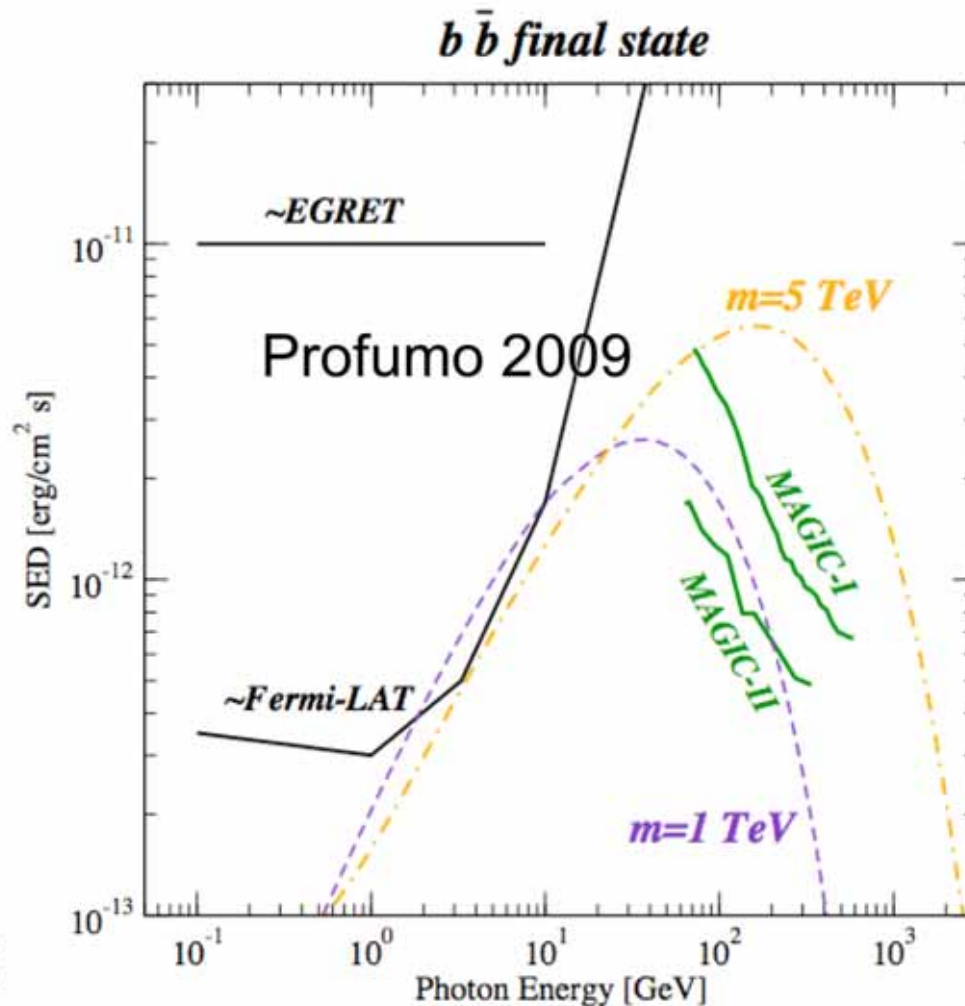
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[see talk R.Wagner]

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but:



Maybe we have  
to wait for CTA  
all-sky scan ???  
**UFO -> UCO**  
(or serendipity  
detections...)

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# Galaxy Clusters

(Zwicky 'invented' DM in 1933 because Coma Cluster has *not enough mass to be bound ...*)

Some clusters do not have a bright AGN in the center ==> expect less BG

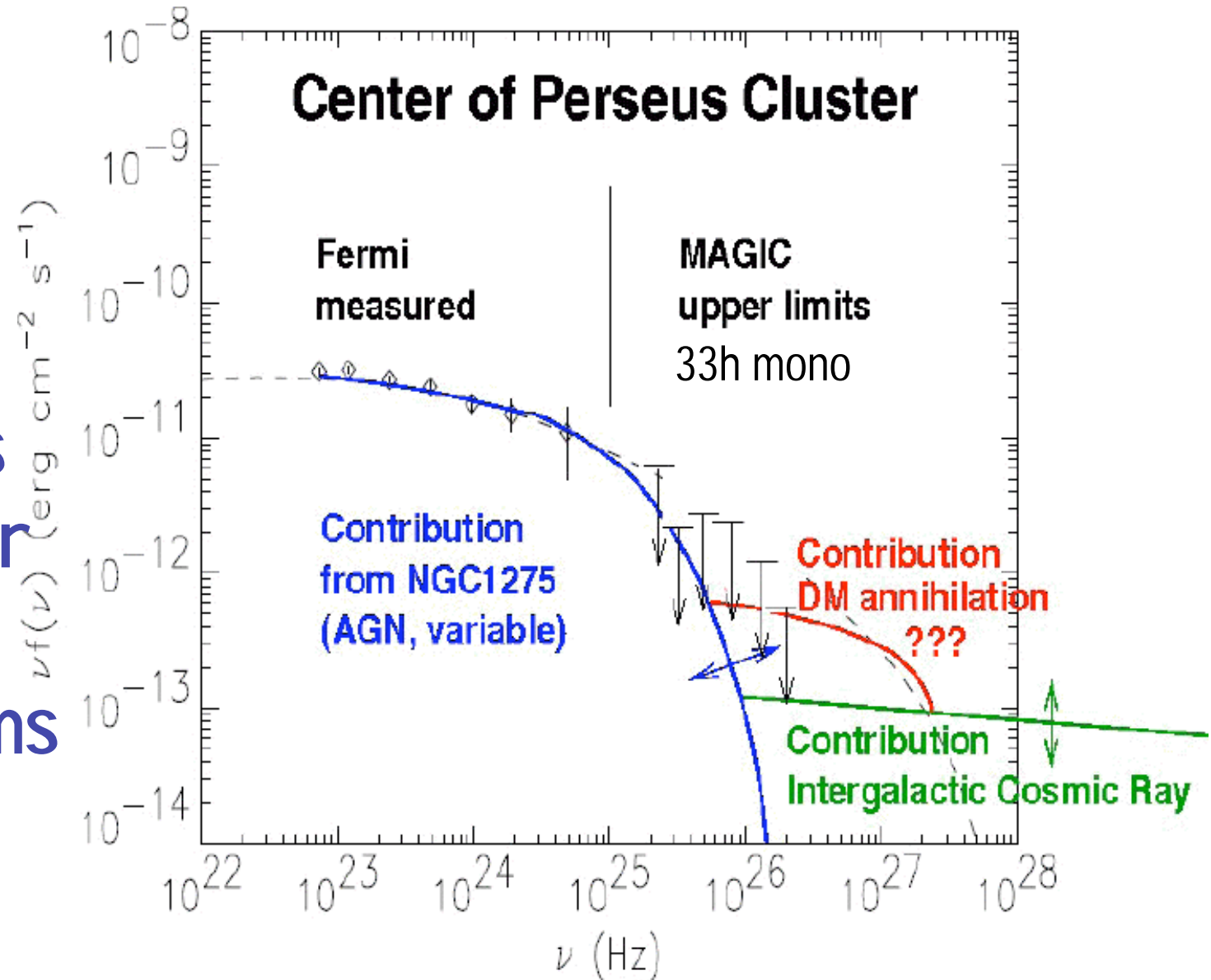
but difficult to get obs. time ?

Cluster	RA	Dec.	z
Fornax	54.6686	-35.3103	0.0046
Ophiuchus	258.1115	-23.3634	0.0280
Coma	194.9468	27.9388	0.0231
Centaurus (A3526)	192.1995	-41.3087	0.0114
Norma (A3627)	243.5546	-60.8430	0.0157
M49	187.4437	7.9956	0.0033
A1060	159.1784	-27.5212	0.0126
NGC 4636	190.7084	2.6880	0.0031
AWM 7	43.6229	41.5781	0.0172

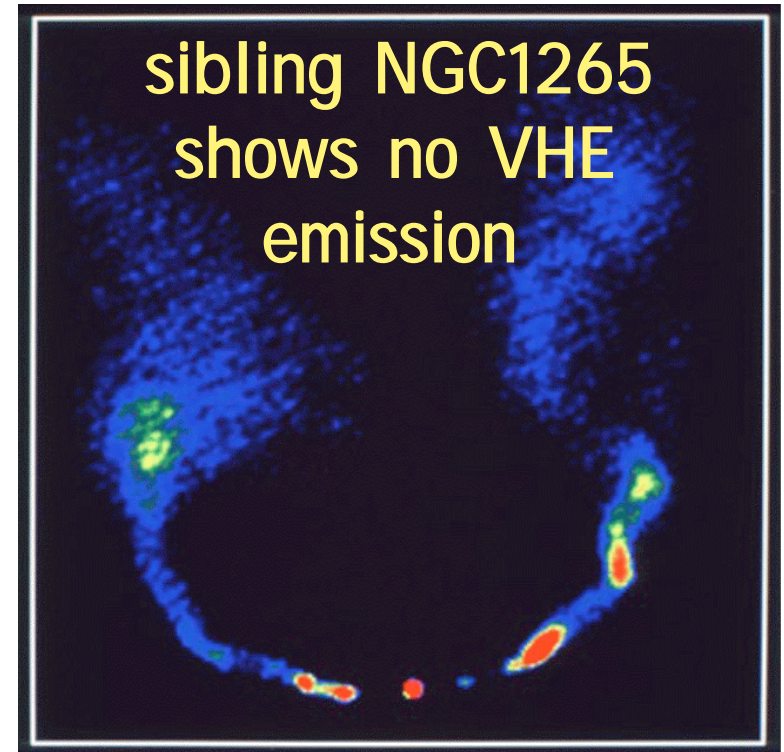
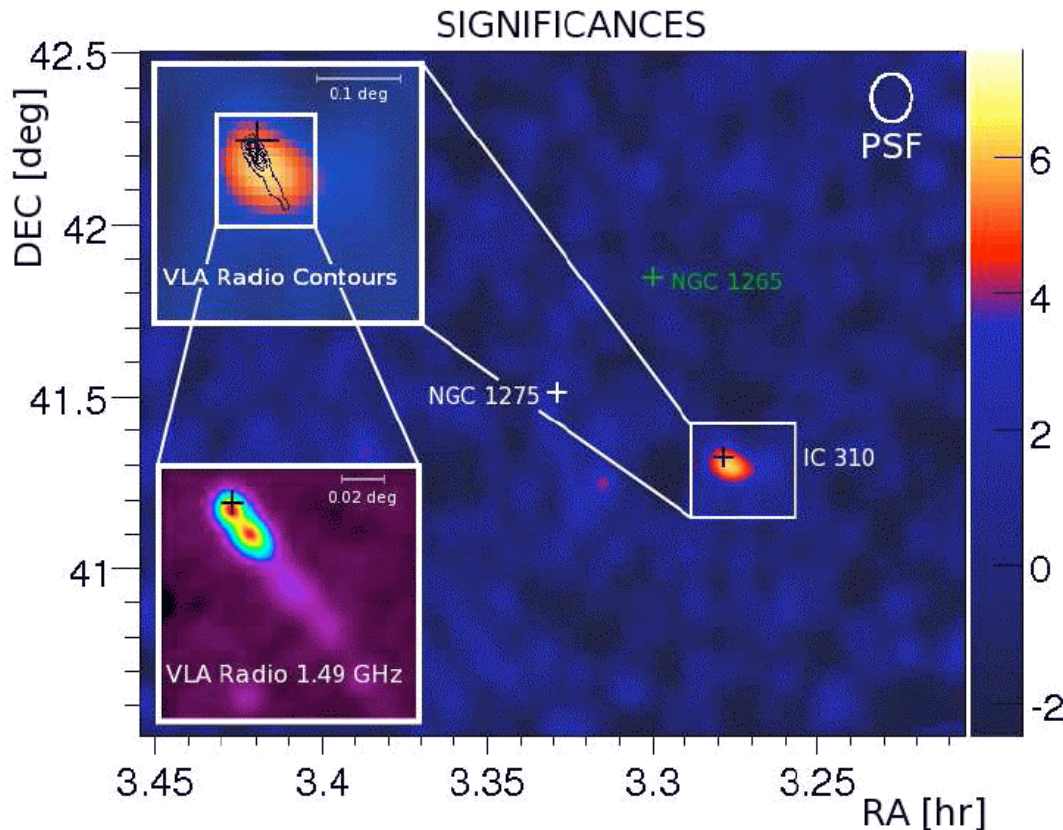
Or try to disentangle signal from

- AGN
- Cosmic Rays
- Dark Matter

NGC1275 seems to have soft spectrum ...



## 2010 Stereo Observation:



serendipity detection of first head-tail galaxy  
(VHE emission from shock-waves or AGN ?)



# Perseus Cluster / NGC1275

## Discovery of Very High Energy Gamma-Ray Emission from NGC1275 by MAGIC

ATel #2916; *Mosè Mariotti (INFN and Univ. of Padova) on behalf of the MAGIC Collaboration*

*on 10 Oct 2010; 15:00 UT*

*Distributed as an Instant Email Notice (Request for Observations)*

*Password Certification: Mosè Mariotti (mariotti@pd.infn.it)*

**Subjects: Gamma Ray, >GeV, TeV, VHE, AGN, Blazars, Cosmic Rays**

The MAGIC Collaboration reports the detection of Very High Energy (VHE) gamma-ray emission from a position consistent with NGC 1275, the central radio galaxy of the Perseus cluster of galaxies.

The MAGIC observations were carried out in stereoscopic mode starting from August 2010, accumulating 14 h of good quality data. Preliminary analysis using the standard analysis chain with a energy threshold of 100 GeV, shows an excess of 280 gamma-rays, corresponding to a statistical significance of 5.2 standard deviations. The observed flux is estimated to be ~3% of the Crab nebula flux above 100 GeV, and it decreases rapidly with energy. No signal is detected above 400 GeV.

The MAGIC VHE detection happened during a period of increased high gamma-ray activity of NGC 1275, as reported in July 2010 by the Fermi/LAT collaboration, ATel#[2737](#), and continuing until October, according to an analysis of public Fermi/LAT data.

MAGIC will continue observations of NGC1275. Observations at other wavelengths are encouraged.

**==> will 'soon' know spectrum of NGC1275**

# Summary

- MAGIC has not yet found any indication of a Dark-Matter signal
- Since one year significantly improved sensitivity by stereo observations

**We will not give up !!!**

# backup

