

Indirect detection of dark matter

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Indirect *adj* (a) not direct; (b) not going straight to the point; (c) not straightforward and open, deceitful.

Searching for dark WIMPs

- **direct detection**
- **neutrinos from Sun/Earth**
- **anomalous cosmic rays
from galactic halo**
- **neutrinos, gamma-rays, radio waves
from galactic center**

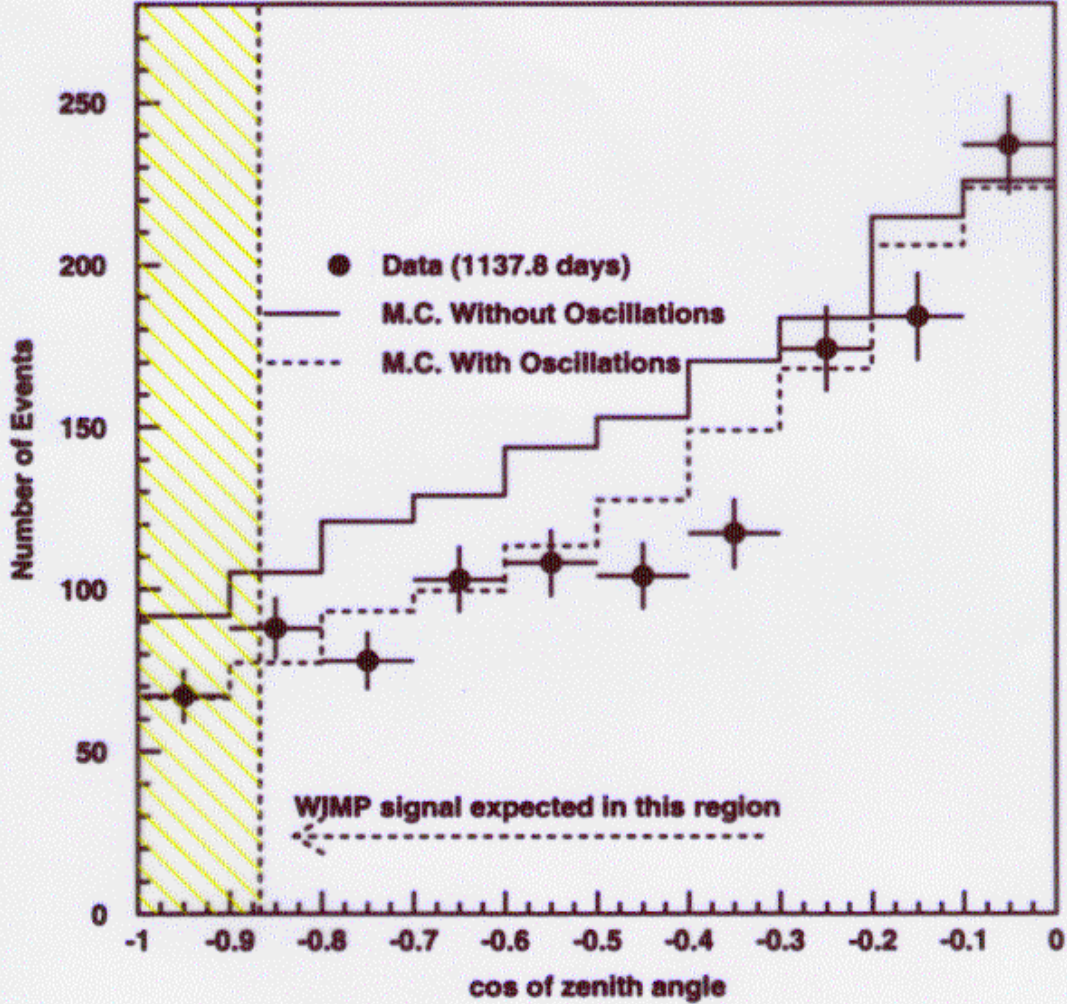
Neutrinos from Sun/Earth

Earth: Freese 1986, Krauss, Srednicki, Wilczek 1986

Sun: Silk, Olive, Srednicki 1986

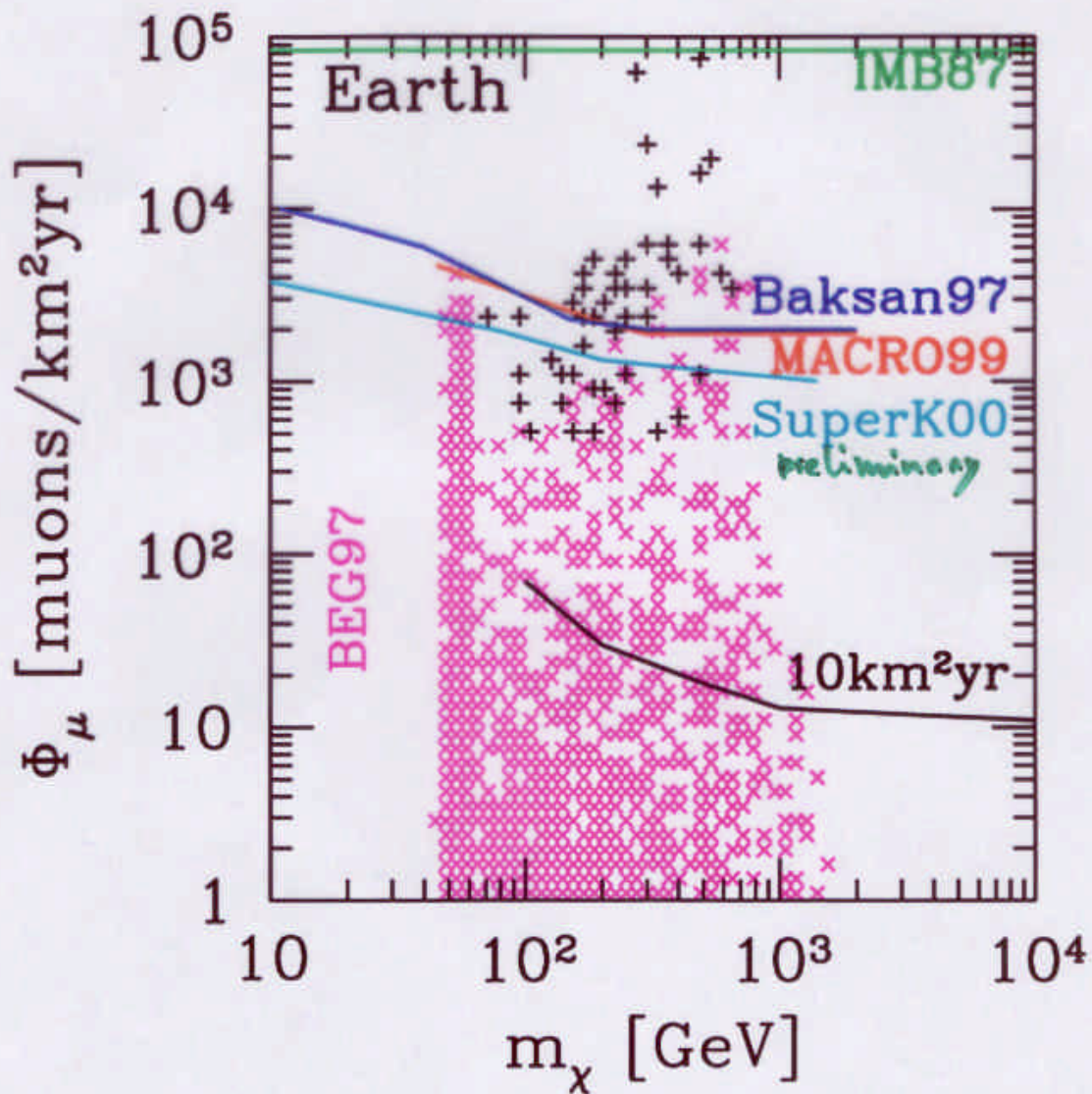


Upward Throughgoing Muons

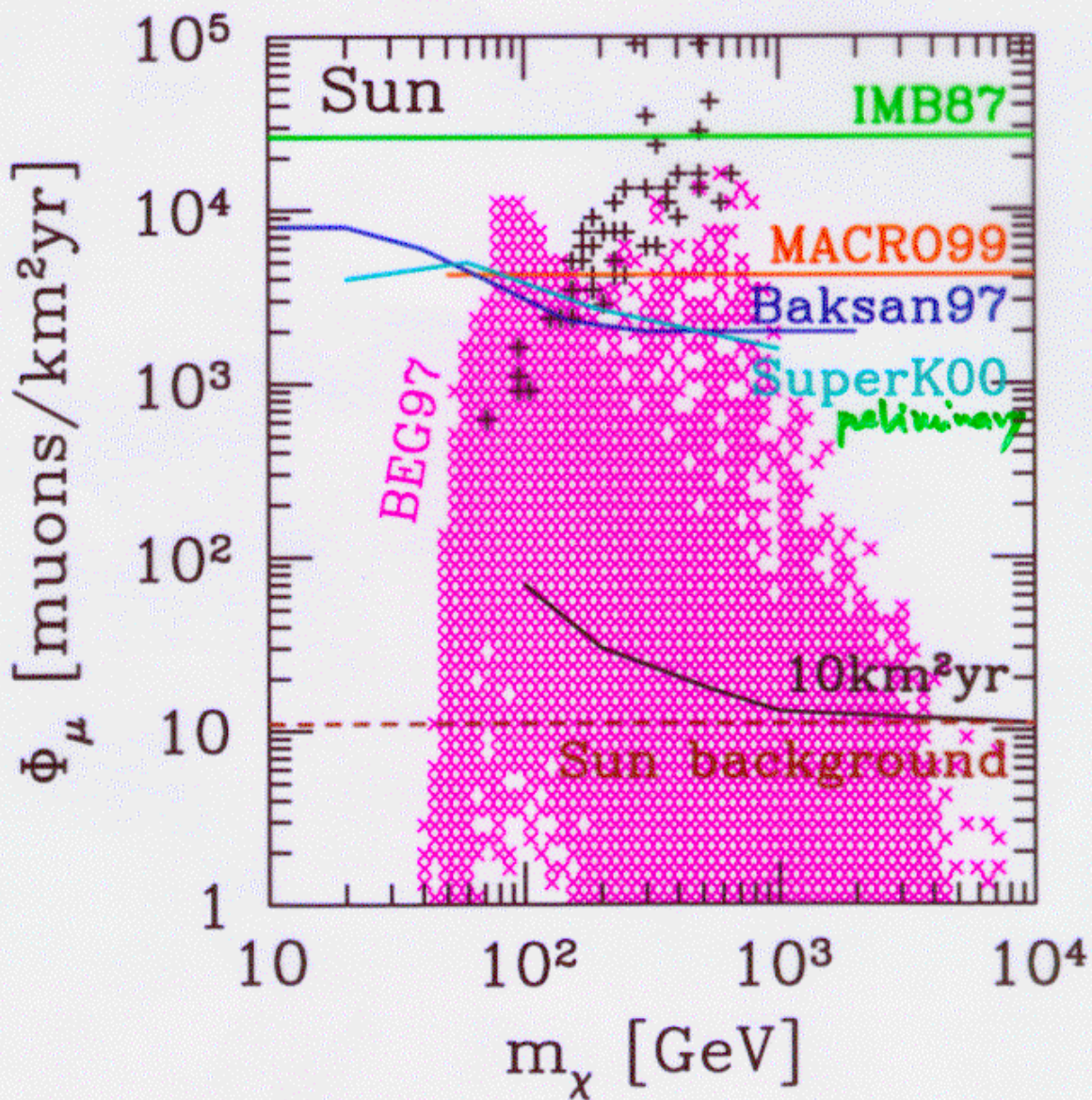


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PRELIMINARY

WIMP neutrinos from Earth



WIMP neutrinos from Sun



Anomalous cosmic rays from annihilation in galactic halo

Gunn et al 1978, Stecker 1978



Annihilation rate per unit volume

annihilation cross section

$$\Gamma_{\text{ann}} = \frac{\sigma v}{m^2} \rho^2$$

relative velocity

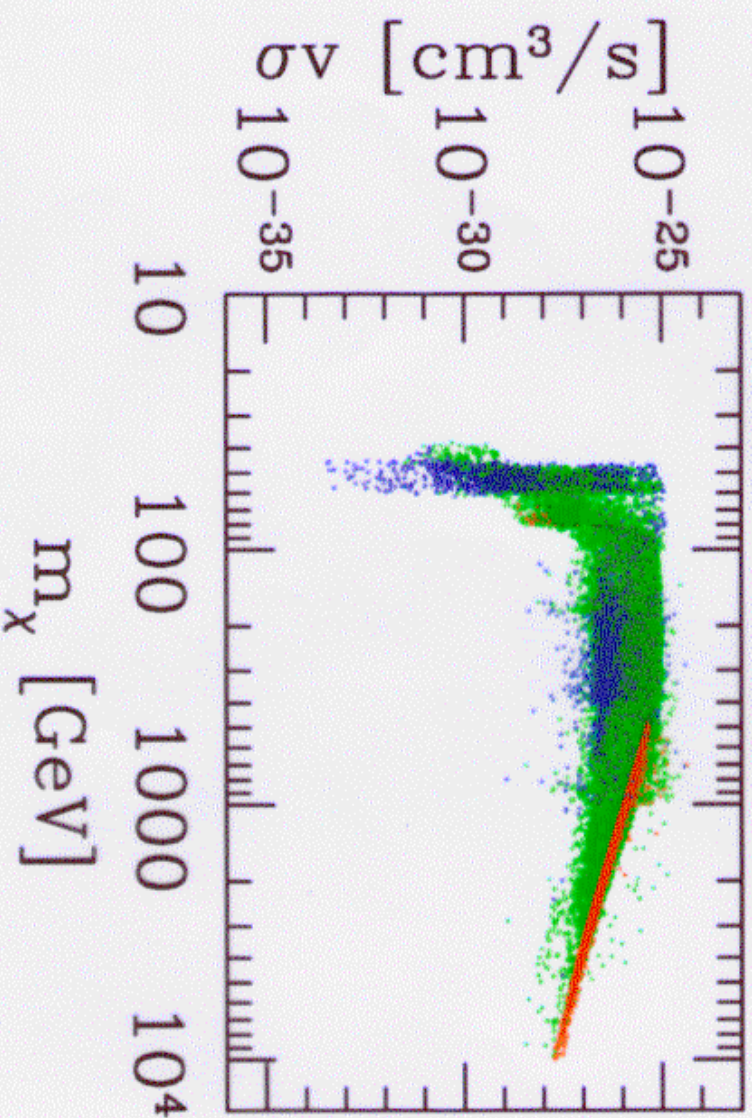
mass

dark matter density

Anihilation cross section

- $\sigma v \rightarrow \text{const}$ for $v \rightarrow 0$
- in general, not function of mass only

example: neutralino



Density profile of dark halo

with cores (empirical)

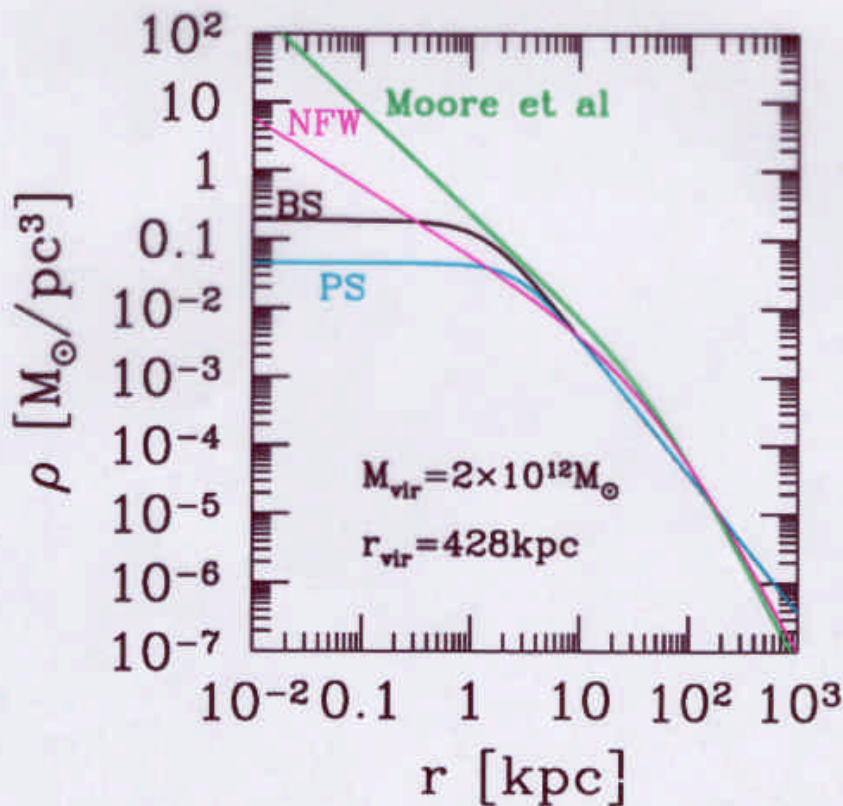
$$\rho \sim \text{const at } r \rightarrow 0$$

e.g. Bahcall, Soneira 1980; Persic, Salucci 1996

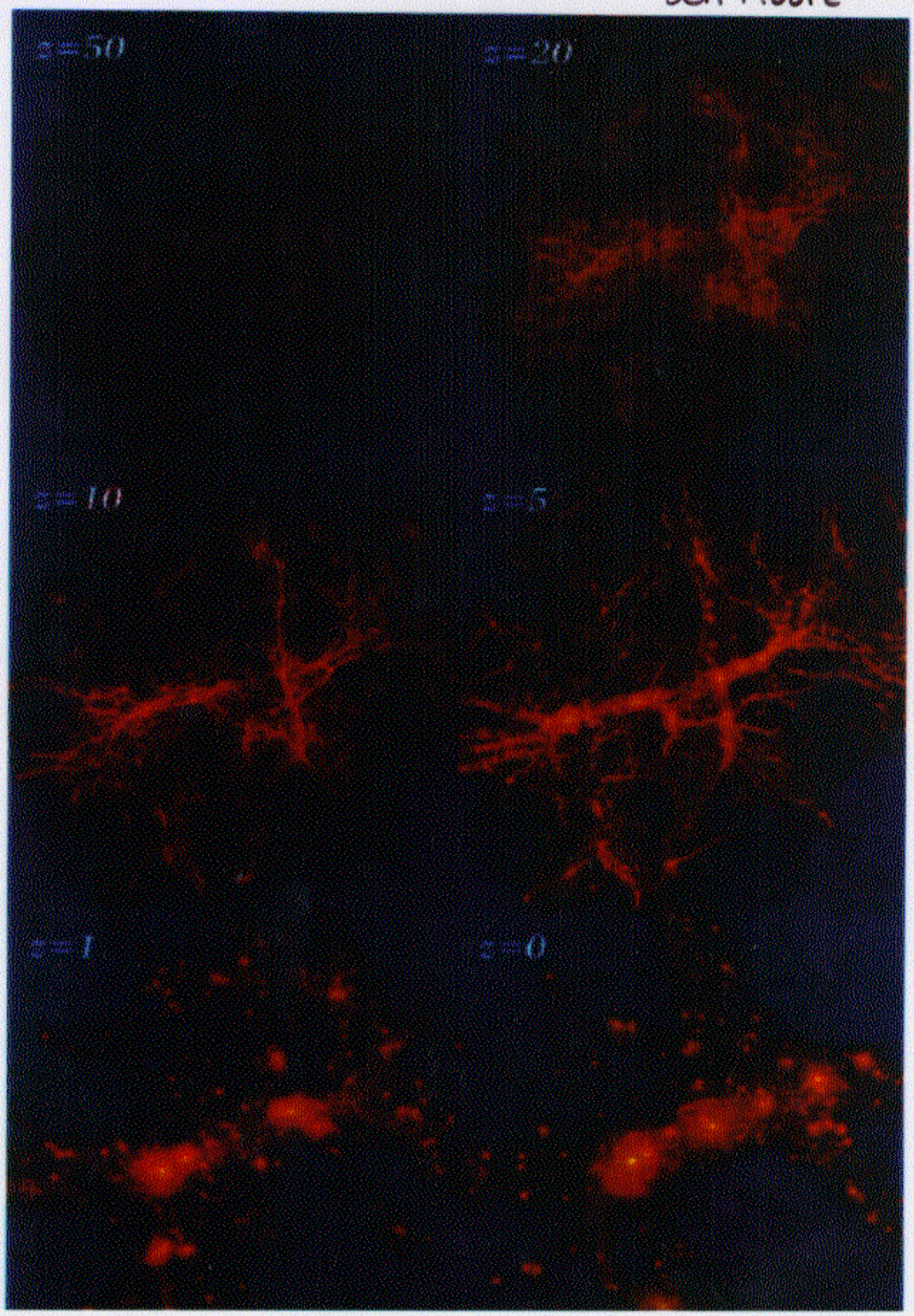
with cusps (from theory of galaxy formation)

$$\rho \sim r^{-\gamma} \text{ at } r \rightarrow 0$$

e.g. Navarro, Frenk, White 1996; Moore et al. 1999



Ben Moore



Cold dark matter models predict cuspy dark halos

$$\rho \propto r^{-\gamma}$$

Semi-analytical

(self-similar evolution)

$2 \leq \gamma < 2.25$ Hoffman, Shaham 1985

$\gamma \simeq 1$ Subramanian 1999

N-body simulations

(do not extend to center)

$\gamma = 0.3$ Kravtsov et al 1998

$\gamma = 1.0$ Navarro, Frenk, White 1996

$\gamma = 1.5$ { Fukushige, Makino 1997

Moore et al 1998

Ghigna et al 1999

- **origin of cusps is not well understood**
- **existence of cusps in real galaxies and galaxy clusters is unclear**

The community is divided!

Gamma-rays from galactic halo

Gunn et al & Stecker 1978

Continuum from hadrons

Silk, Srednicki 1984

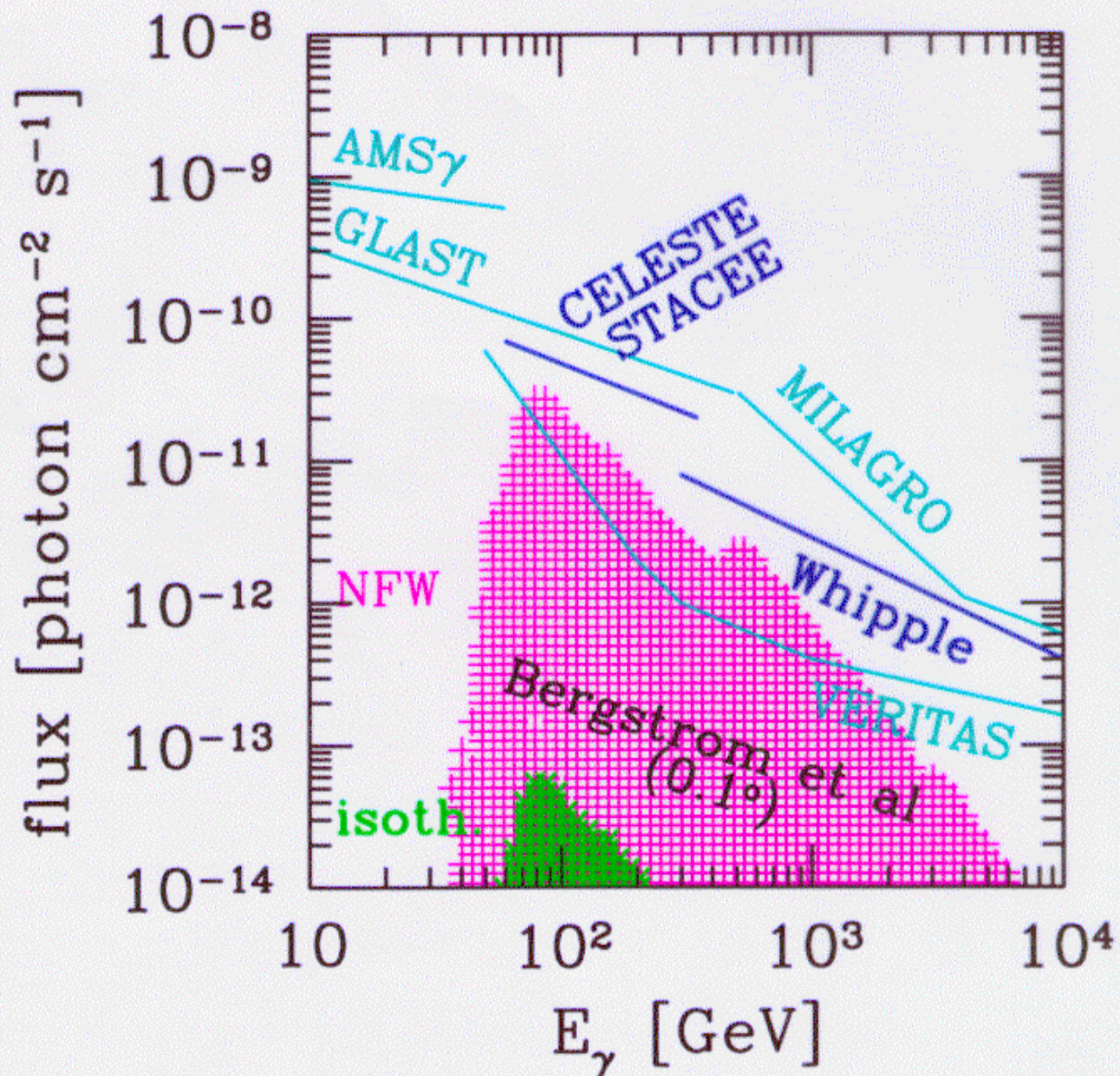
- sky distribution similar to inverse Compton emission
- spectral shape may help

Line from $\gamma\gamma$, $Z\gamma$

Srednicki, Theissen, Silk 1986

- no known astrophysical background
excellent signature!!
- need good energy and angular resolution
- need cuspy halos

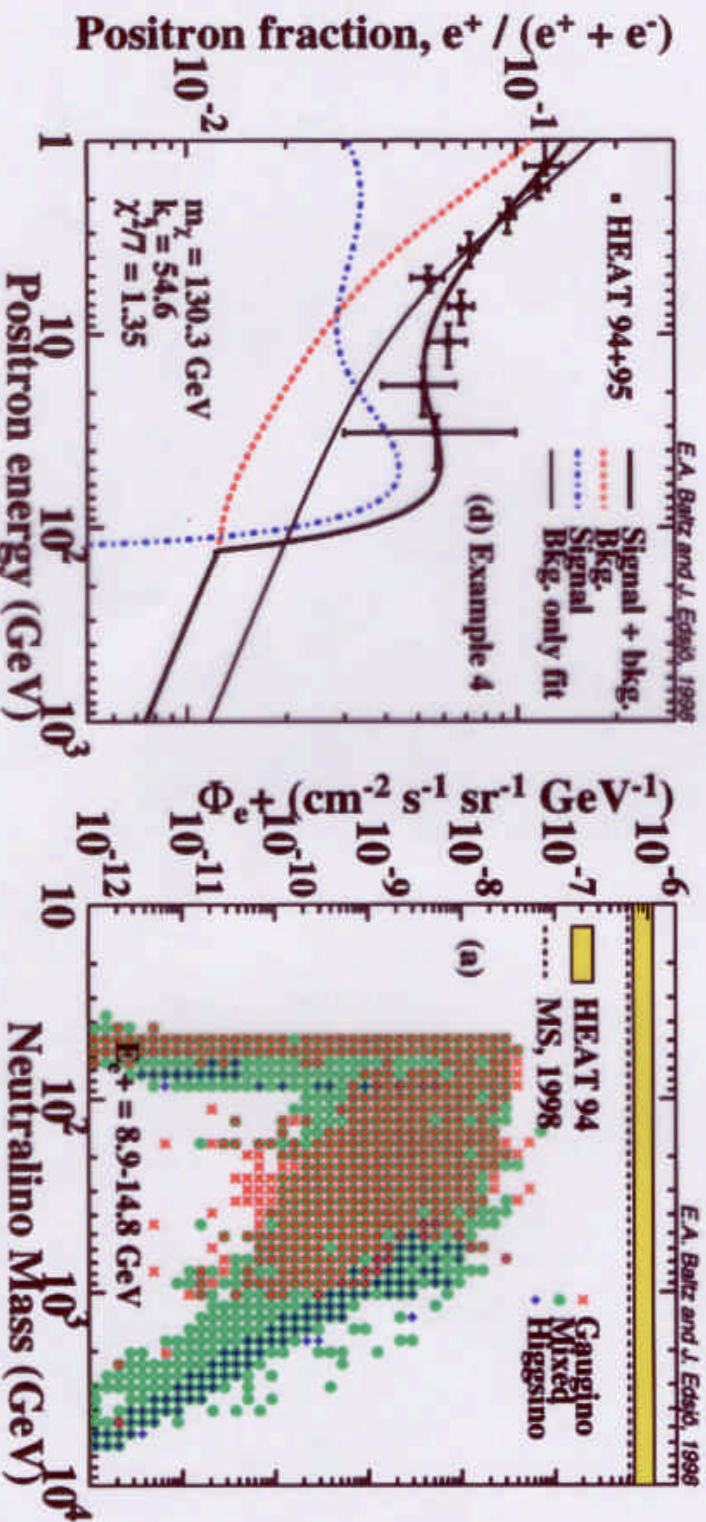
Gamma-ray line from neutralino annihilation



Cosmic-ray positrons

Silk, Srednicki 1984

Excess in data has right shape for dark matter but fluxes in MSSM are too small (Baltz, Edsjö 1999)

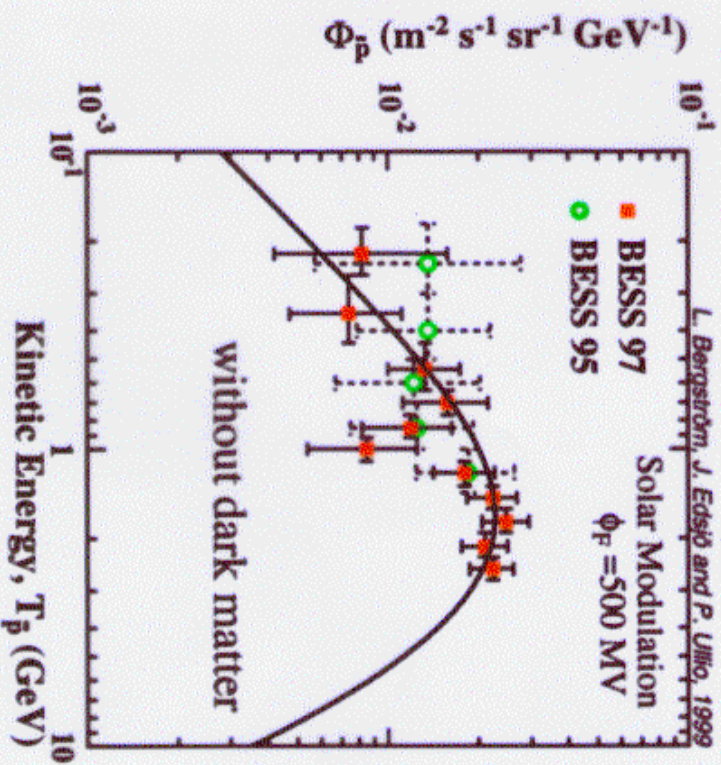
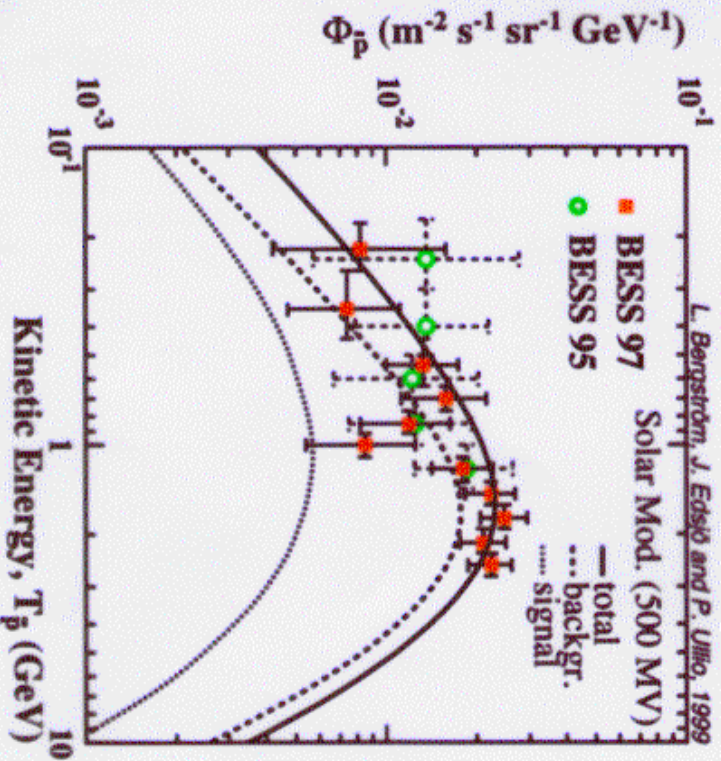


Cosmic-ray antiprotons

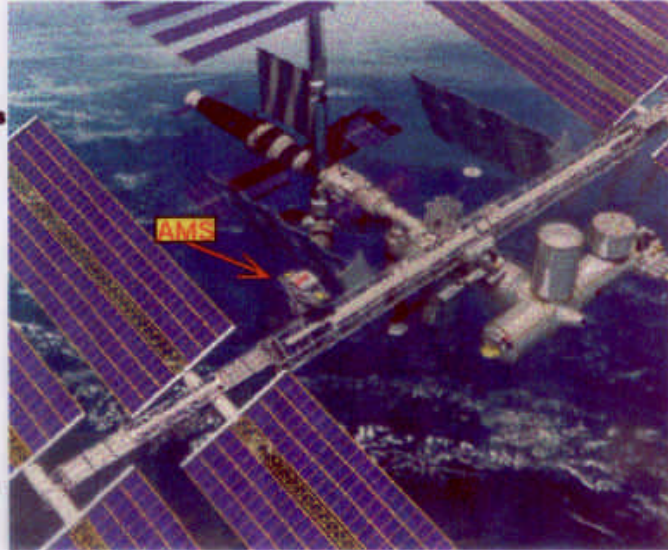
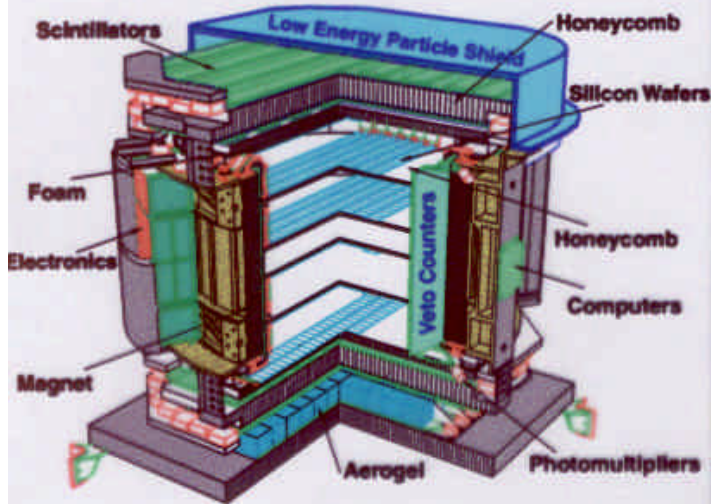
Silk, Srednicki 1984

Data can be explained both with and without dark matter (Bergström, Edsjö, Ullio 1999)

\bar{p} production off He in interstellar medium



AMS



In 3 years on the International Space Station

$\approx 10^7$ electron events, $E > 10\text{GeV}$

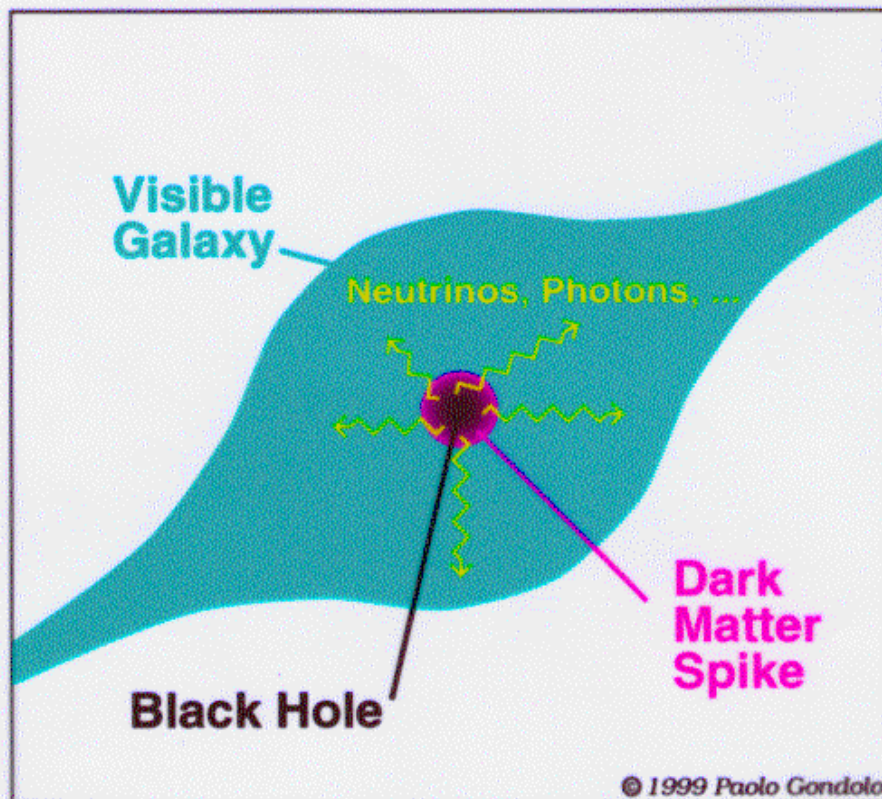
$\approx 4 \times 10^6$ positron events, $E > 5\text{GeV}$

$\approx 10^6$ proton events, $E > 1\text{TeV}$

$\approx 10^6$ antiproton events, $E > 5\text{GeV}$

Neutralinos at the galactic center

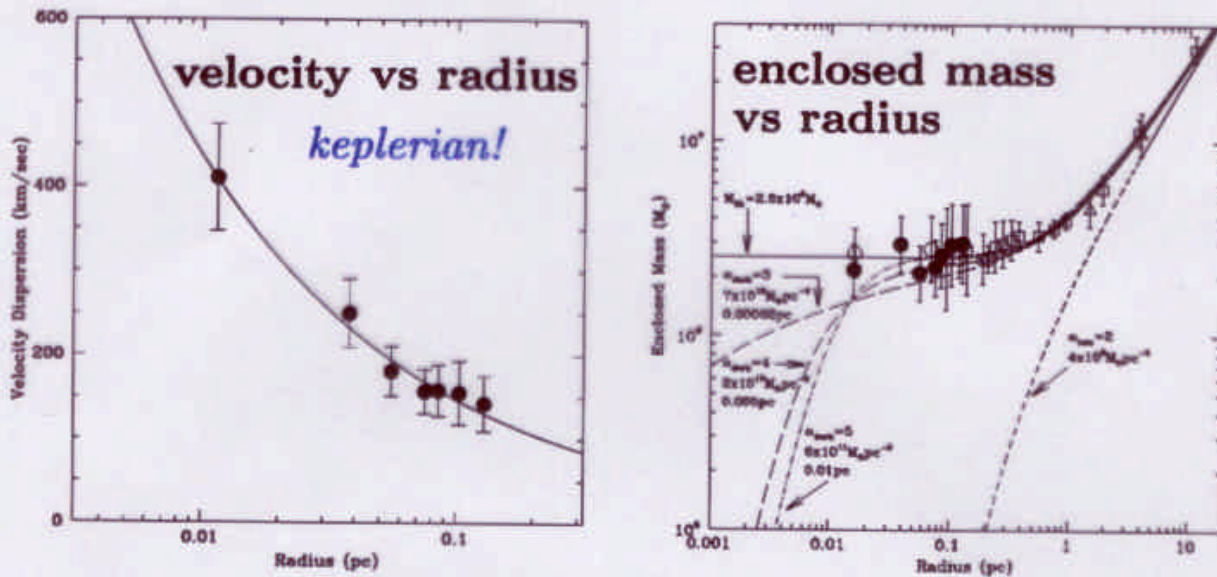
Gondolo Silk 1999, Gondolo 2000



- new source of neutrinos and γ -rays
- either neutralino dark matter or cuspy dark halos

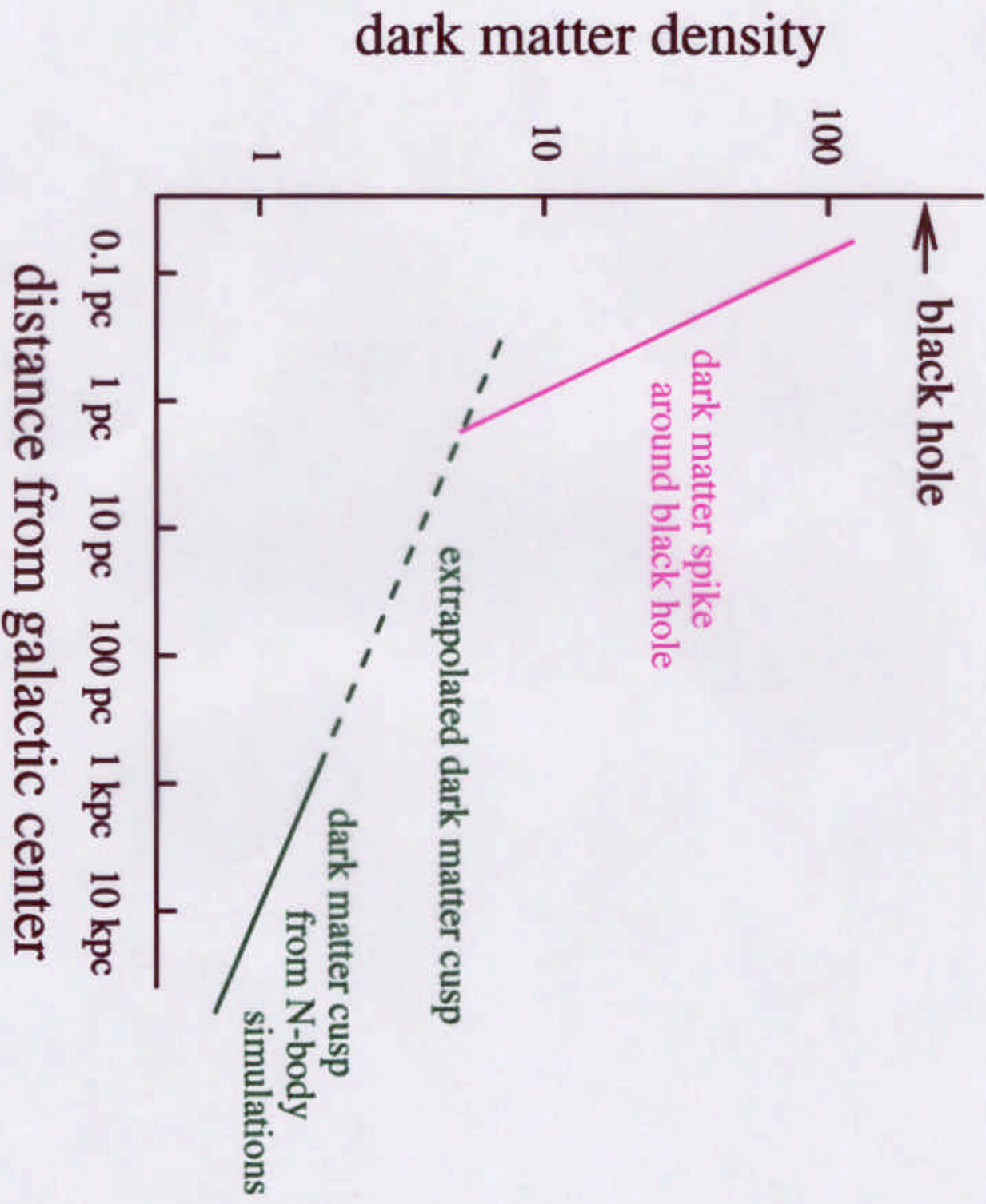
Black hole at galactic center

Kinematics of stars in central region
(Eckart, Genzel 1996, 2000; Ghez et al. 1998)



Black hole mass $(2.6 \pm 0.2) \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$

**If dark matter fell
into a black hole,
would anybody notice?**



Dark matter signals from galactic center

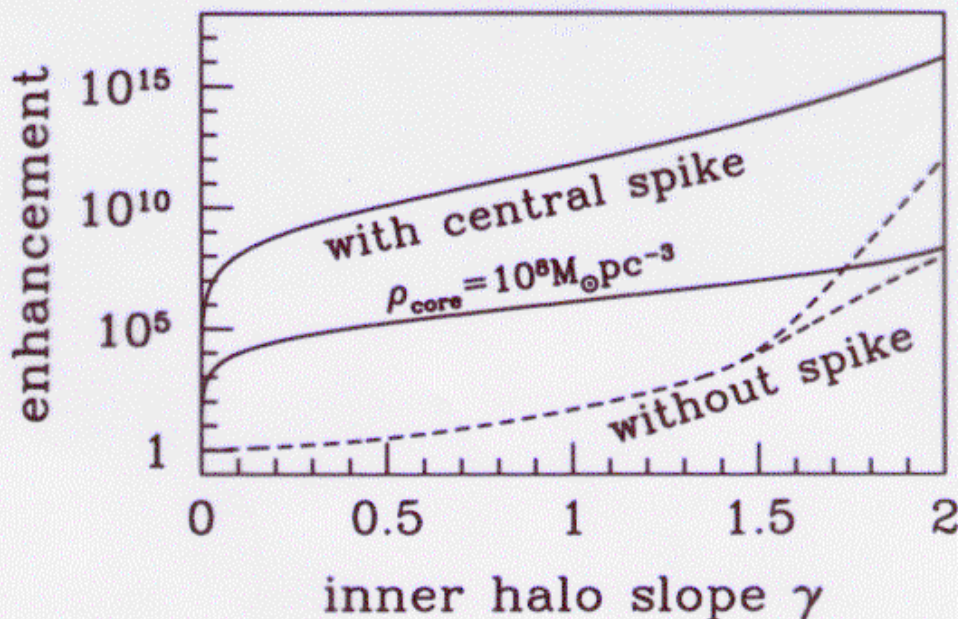
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Photons, positrons, antiprotons, neutrinos

$$\text{flux} = \text{flux}(\text{halo}) + \text{flux}(\text{spike})$$

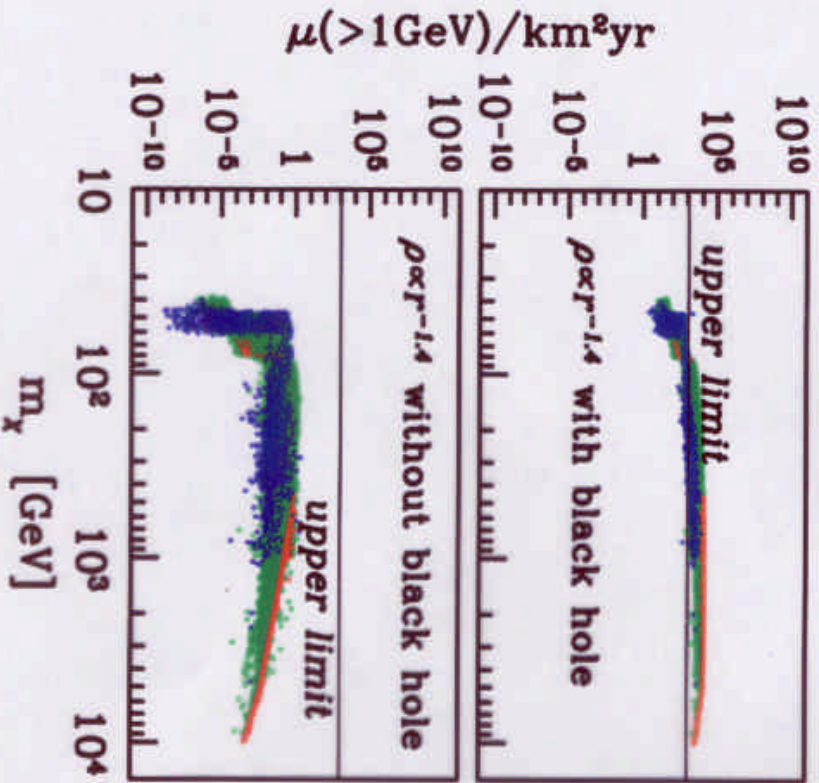
Halos with cusps: big enhancement.

Halos with cores: no enhancement.

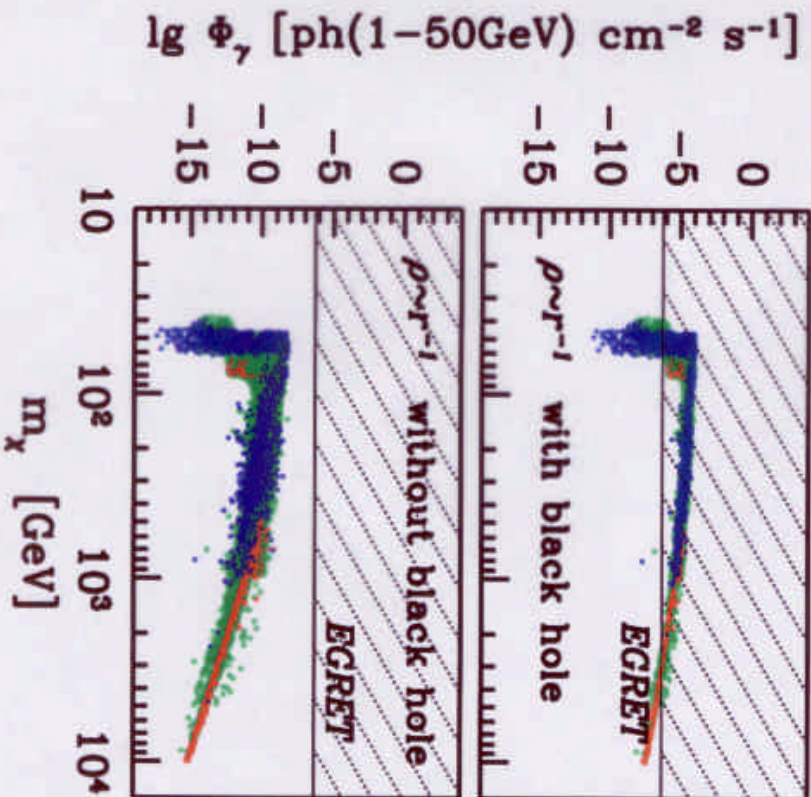


Limits on neutralino dark matter in cuspy halos

Cuspy halo plus central spike
neutrinos



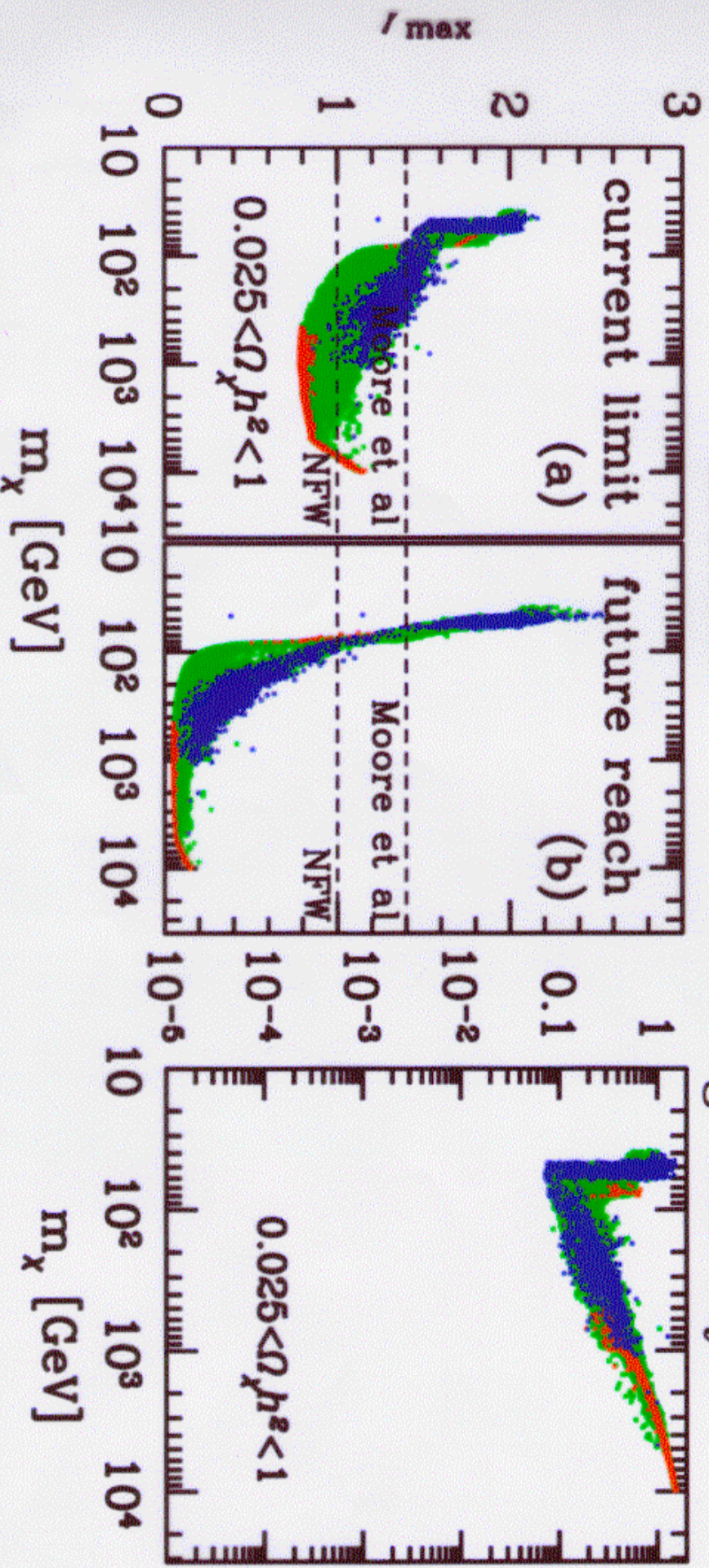
gamma-rays



Information on inner dark halo

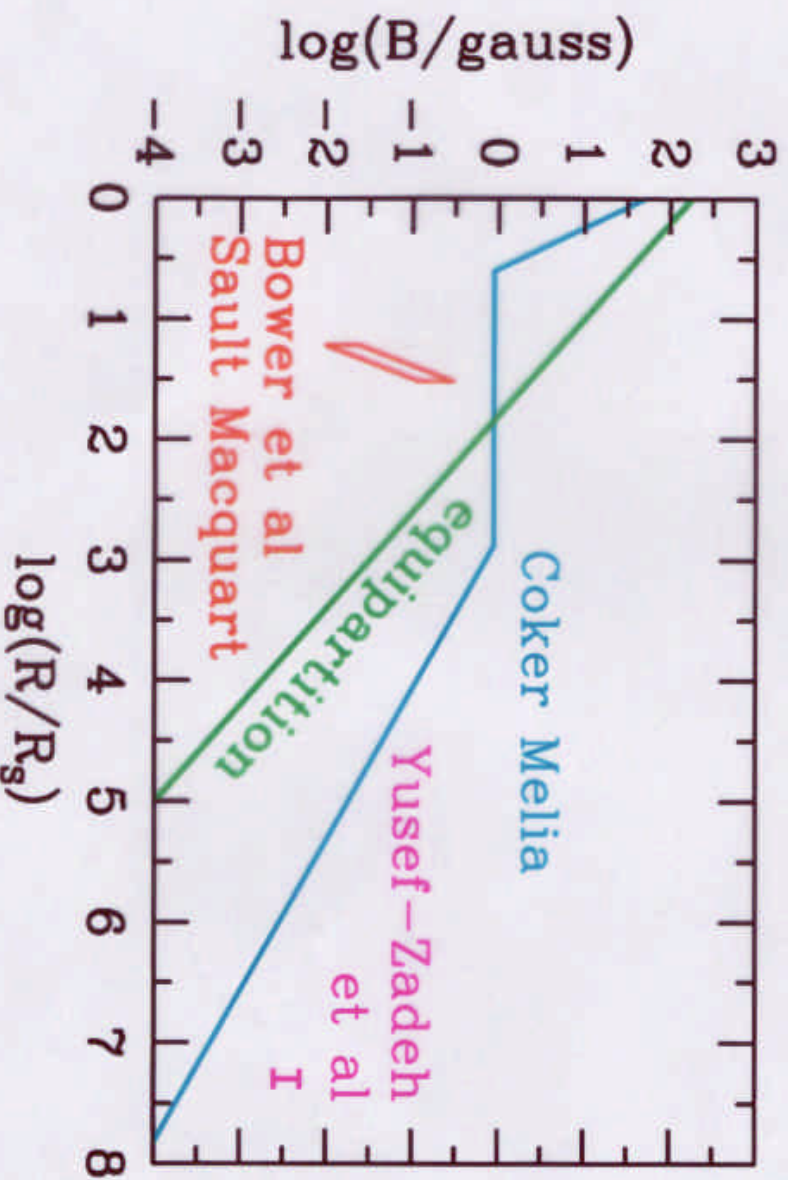
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No signals \Rightarrow upper limit on inner halo slope γ
neutrinos



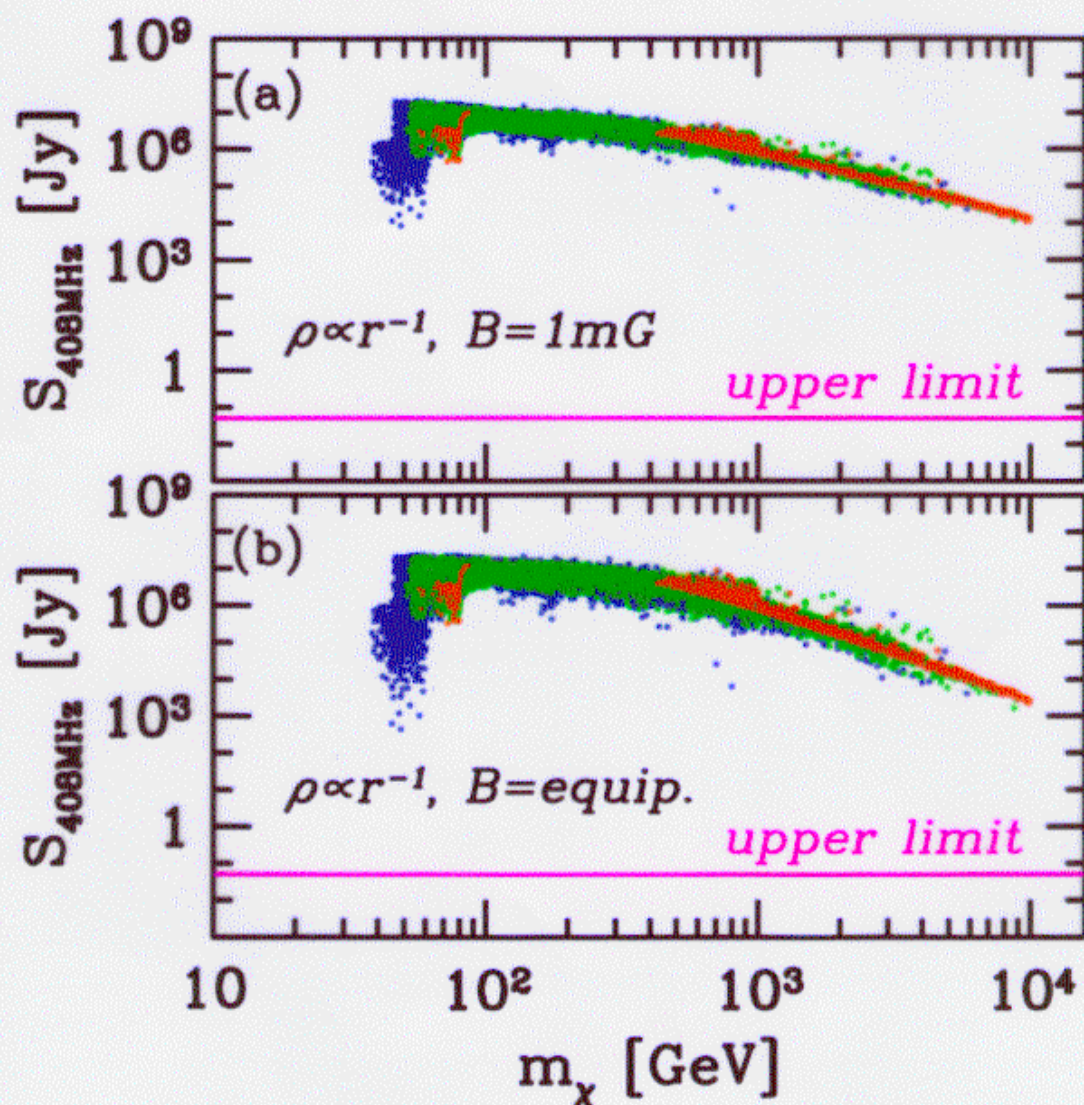
Magnetic field around Sgr A*

- few milligauss at ~ 5 pc (Zeeman splitting in OH emission)
- tenths of a milligauss at $\sim 20 R_g$ (circular polarization)
- accreting plasma carries magnetic field



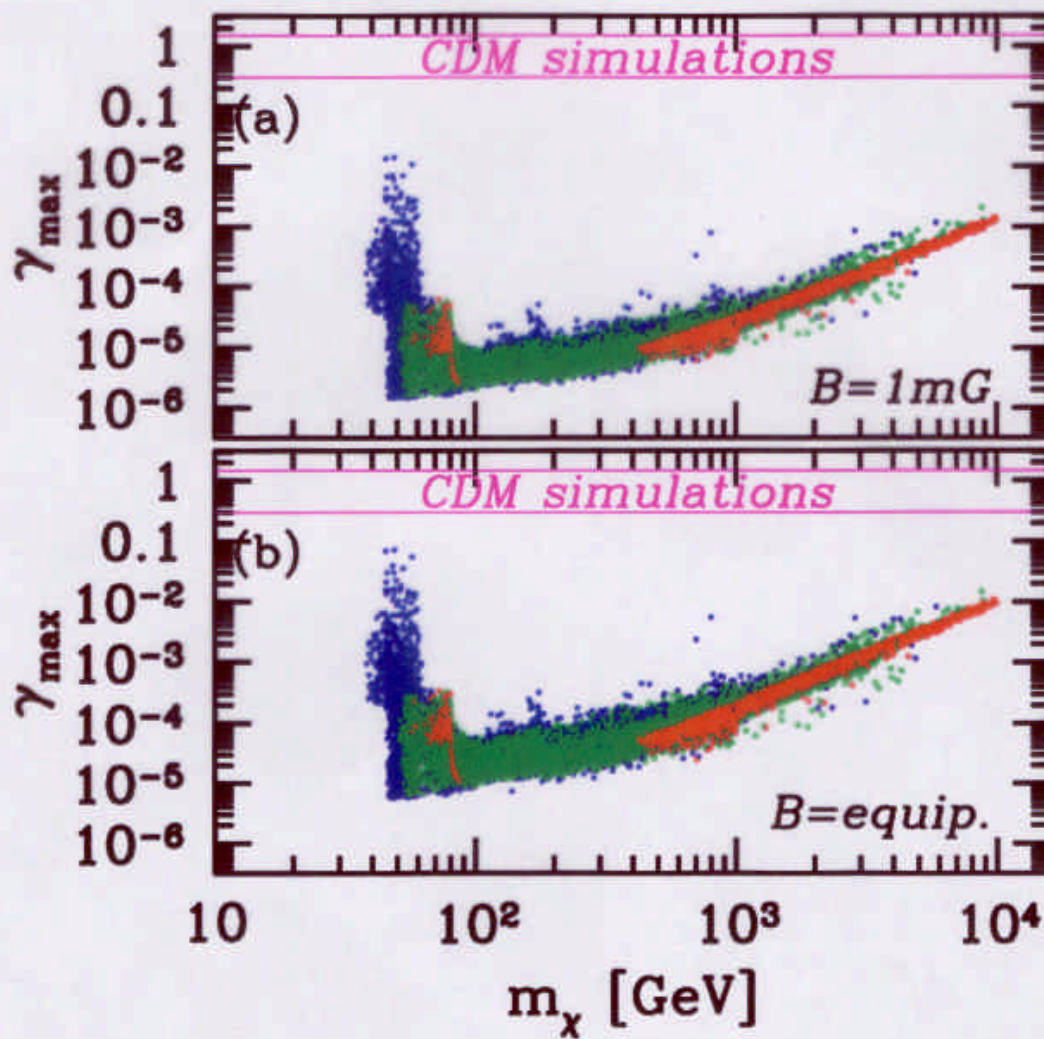
If the dark halo is cuspy,
dark matter is not neutralinos

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If dark matter is neutralinos,
the dark halo is not cuspy

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Summary

- neutrinos from Sun/Earth
 - looking forward to a km³ detector
- cosmic rays from galactic halo
 - γ : spectral signatures, fluxes depend on halo model
 - e^+ : right spectrum but low intensity
 - \bar{p} : uncertain astrophysical fluxes
 - many experiments to come (VERITAS, MAGIC, AMS, PAMELA, ...)
- neutrinos, gamma-rays, and radio waves from galactic center
 - new adventure