



Constraints on dark matter annihilation and decay in the Milky Way halo

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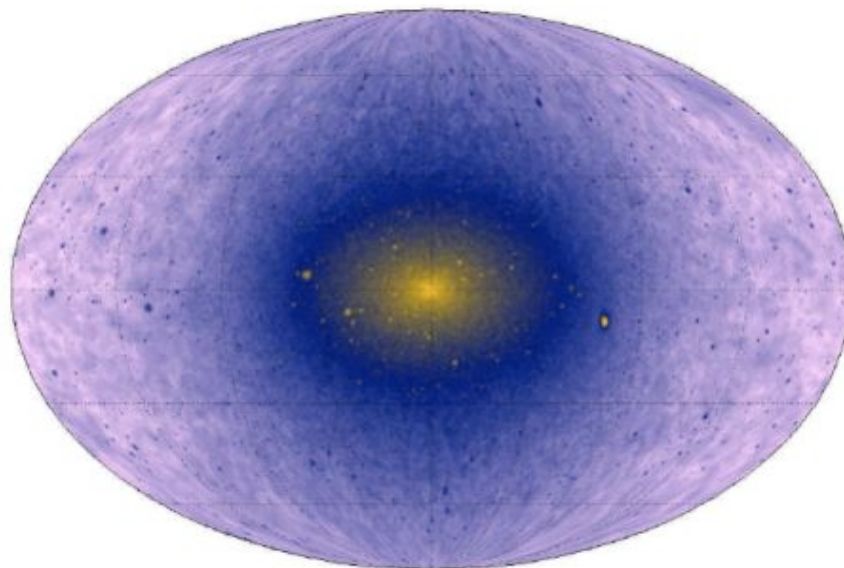
[Ackermann et al., *Apj*, 2012; 1205.6474]

WIMP annihilations



- **Self annihilations of Weakly Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs) expected to produce γ rays detectable by the Fermi LAT.**
→ reviewed by **L. Bergstrom and S. Profumo**
- Focus on **continuum** emission from WIMP annihilations.
- Explore representative channels to follow **phenomenological approach**, independent of any specific Beyond the Standard Model physics

Predicted DM signal



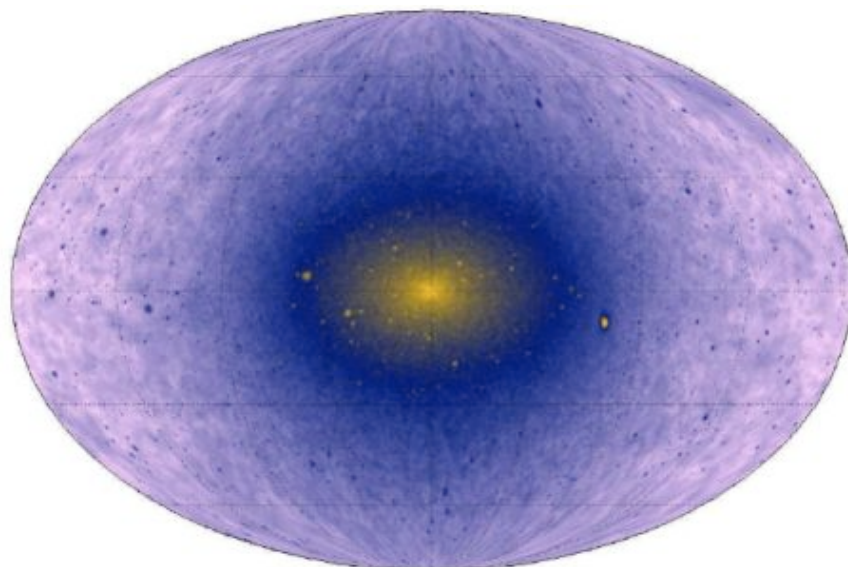
Diemand et. al, APJ, 2006.

MW halo as a DM target



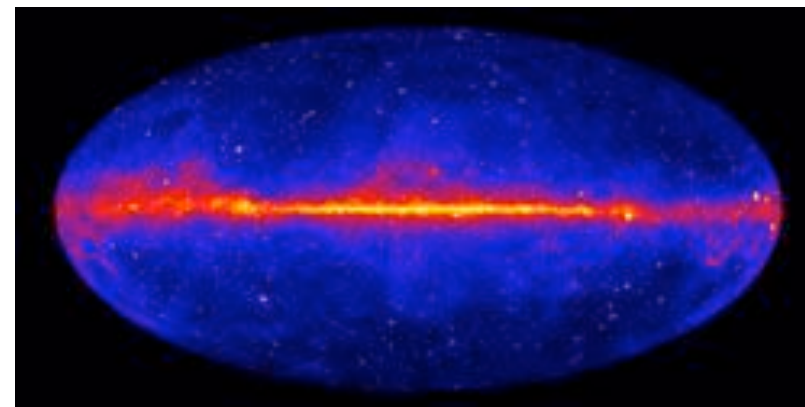
- DM annihilation **signal** is expected to be **high** in the inner regions of our halo
 - Sun is ‘only’ ~8 kpc away from the GC
 - DM content of the Milky Way is high
- However, diffuse gamma-ray emission presents **strong background**
+ there are no spectral or morphological smoking guns in this analysis!

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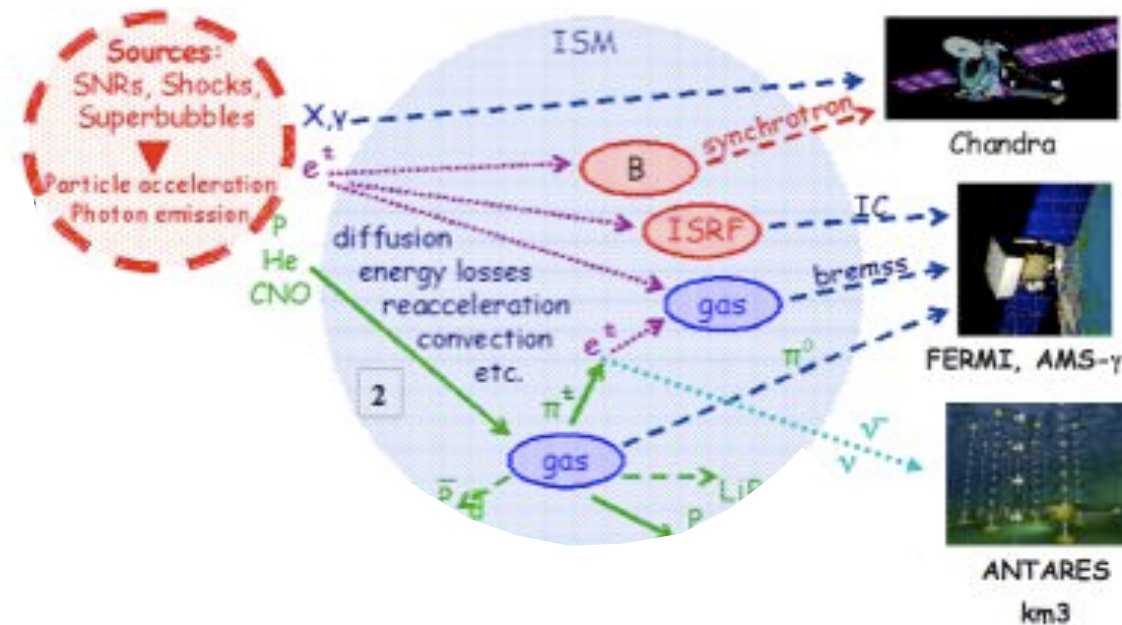
Fermi sky map - three year data.



γ ray diffuse emission as measured by Fermi-LAT



- Majority of the diffuse emission is due to CR interacting with the ISM
 - three component in the LAT energy range: **Inverse Compton** and **bremsssthalung** emission from cosmic ray electrons and **decay of pions** (produced in CR proton scatterings with the gas).
 - many parameters needed to describe it: **distribution of CR source, injection spectra, gas maps, CR propagation parameters...**



DM limits

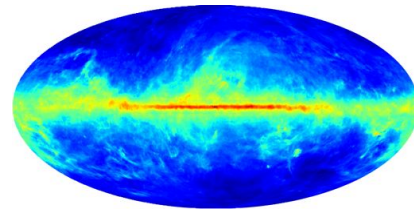


Idea: fit the data in spatial and energy bins to break degeneracy among the two signals.

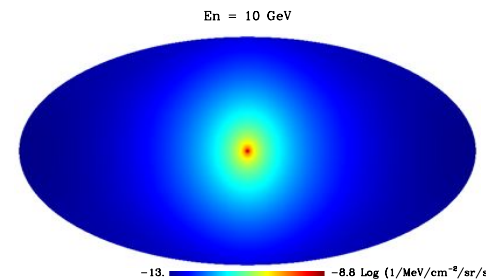
→ model **simultaneously** the conventional and DM induced diffuse emission while scanning over many parameters.

- at this stage we set DM limits rather than look for its signatures
→ conservative choices made.

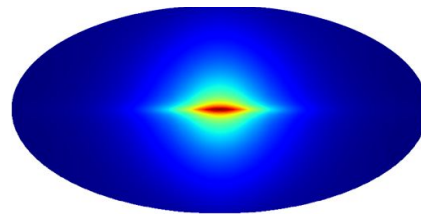
π^0 , bremss



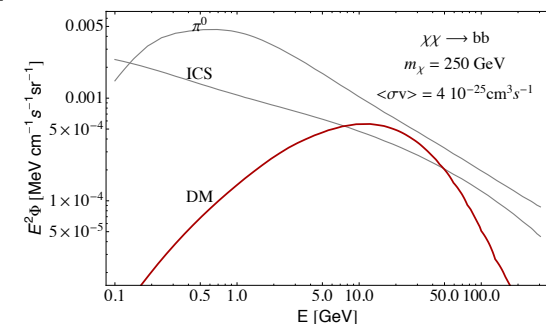
DM



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$E^2 \Phi$



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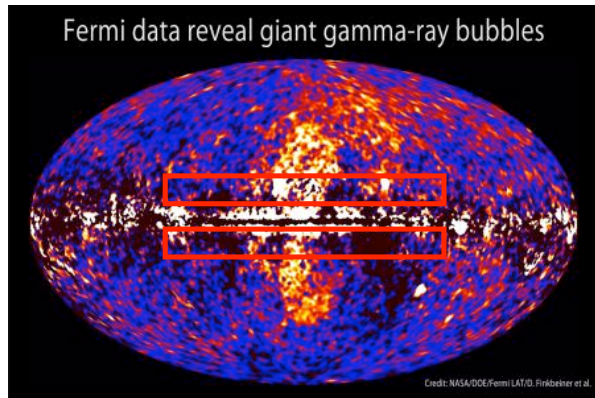
E [GeV]

Data set and Region of interest



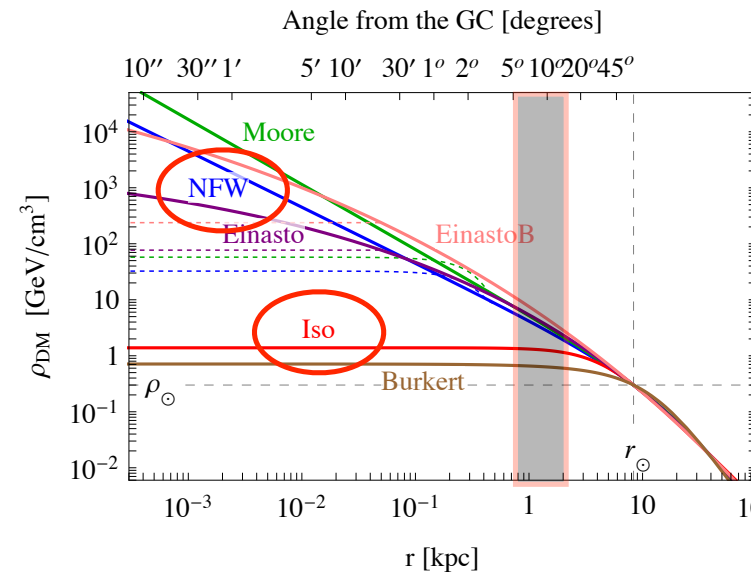
- Astrophysical emission strong along the plane + Fermi LAT data revealed large scale structures at high latitudes (Fermi bubbles and Loop I)
- ROI: $5^\circ < |b| < 15^\circ$ and $|| < 80^\circ$:
 1. limit astrophysical uncertainty by masking out the Galactic plane and by cutting-out high latitude emission from Fermi lobes/Loop I
 2. minimize DM profile uncertainty (the highest at the Galactic Center region)
- 24 months data, p7CLEAN_v6 event selection in the 1-100 (400) GeV energy range.

Fermi bubbles



Su et al, 2010.

Talk by D. Finkbeiner & posters by
A. Franckowiak, D. Malishev, M. Su.





- Signal and background modeling is based on a series of physically-motivated parametrized template maps of the diffuse emission derived with the GALPROP code.
- We sample a grid of nonlinear astrophysical parameters while fitting a set of linear parameters of the diffuse emission.
 - Non-linear (grid) parameters: chosen among the ones expected to be the most degenerate with DM component.

Non linear Parameters	Symbol
index of the injection CRE spectrum	$\gamma_{e,2}$
half height of the diffusive halo	z_h
dust to HI ratio	d2HI

1.925 - 2.8

2 - 15 kpc

$12-17 \times 10^{17} \text{mag cm}^2$



- For each grid model we produce template maps which are then rescaled by linear parameters in the fit. Template maps:
 - Galactic emission template maps (**bremss**, π^0 , **IC**) produced assuming CR sources to be distributed as a step function in Galacto-centric rings
 - **CR source distribution: poorly constrained in the inner Galaxy** → **CRe and CRp source distributions are free linear parameter in each ring**
 - DM template maps
 - Isotropic (extra Galactic emission)

Linear Parameters	Symbol
eCRSD and pCRSD coefficients	c_i^e, c_i^p
local H ₂ to CO factor	X_{CO}^{loc}
IGB normalization in various energy bins	$\alpha_{IGB,m}$
DM normalization	α_χ

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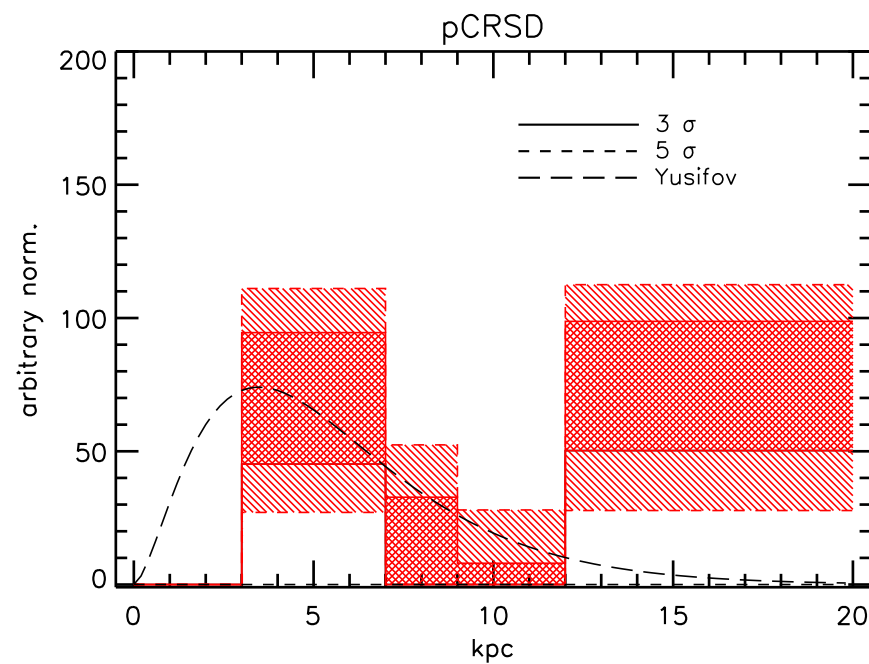
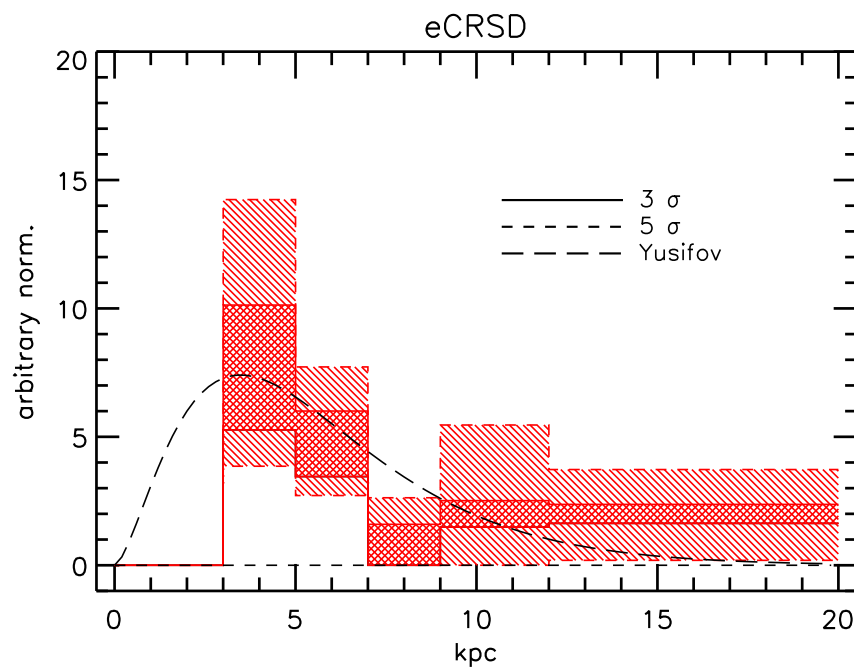
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CR source distribution



- In addition we impose a constraint: $c_i^e=c_i^p=0$, for $R<3$ kpc.
 - determination of the source distribution is not reliable in the inner Galaxy region in this analysis due to the limited ROI and grid parameters.



Fitting procedure

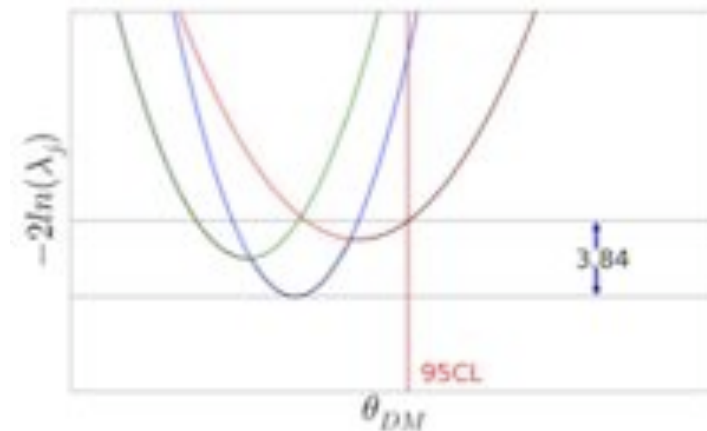


- Fits at different grid points are compared using the **profile likelihood method**.
 - for each grid point (different parabolas) we find a **likelihood function** L_k ; maximized over all linear parameters α , for every value of the DM norm, θ_{DM} .
 - we construct test statistics (TS) wrt to the best overall likelihood
 - The **profile likelihood** is the curve that follows the minima of all grid/GALPROP models.
 - assuming it behaves as a χ^2 with one degree of freedom, we set the limits using the value of a DM normalization for which its value raises by 9/25 from the minimum.
 - **Minima of LogL functions is well populated, making it possible to set 3(5) σ DM limits marginalizing over many astrophysical models.**

LogLikelihood vs DM normalization for a fixed DM model and mass.

$$L_k(\theta_{DM}, \hat{\vec{\alpha}}) = \max_{\vec{\alpha}} \prod_i P_{ik}(n_i; \vec{\alpha}, \theta_{DM})$$

$$TS = 2\Delta \ln(\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L}_0)$$

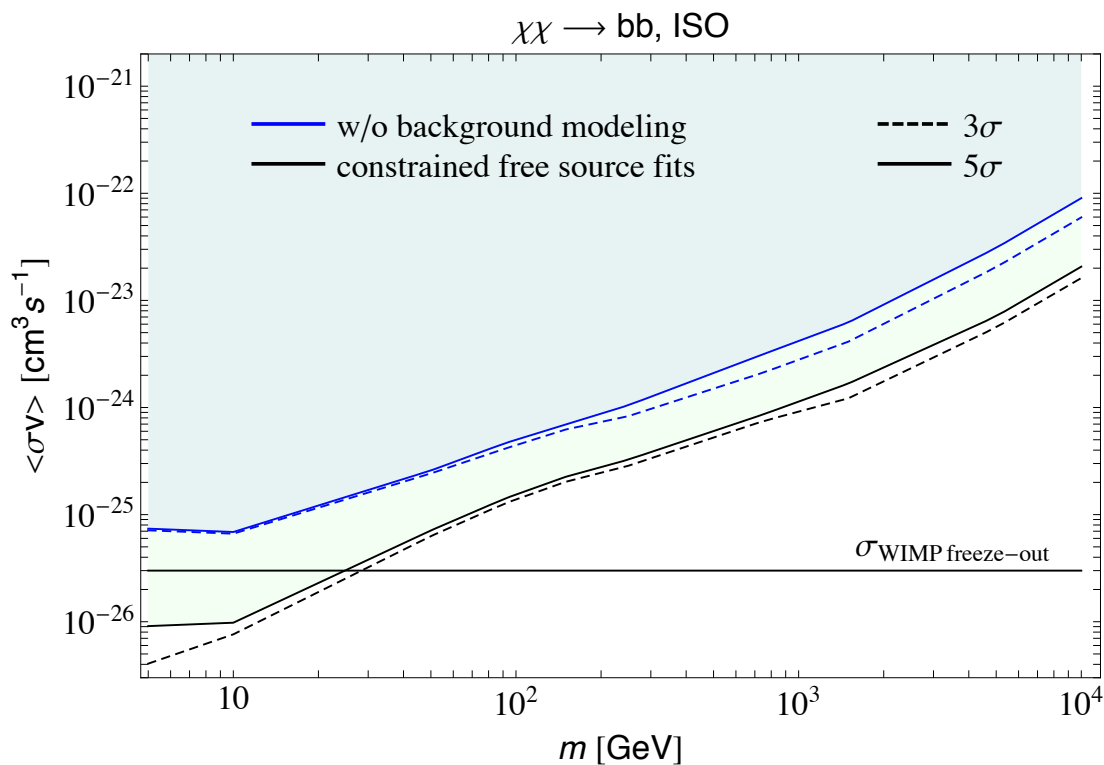


Results - DM limits



Limits on DM **annihilation cross section**, for ISOthermal DM profile and $b\bar{b}$ channel (**generic** for most of particle physics models).

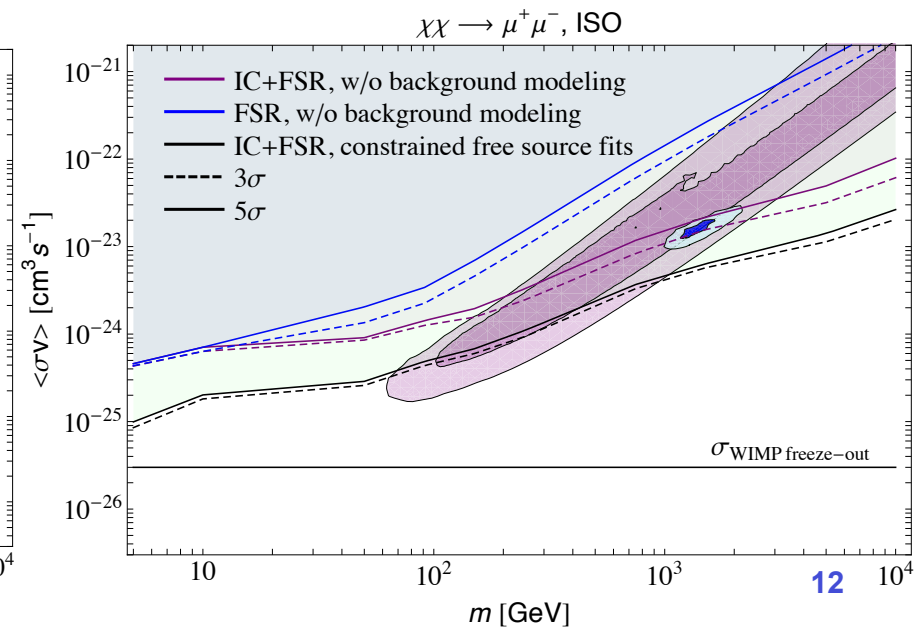
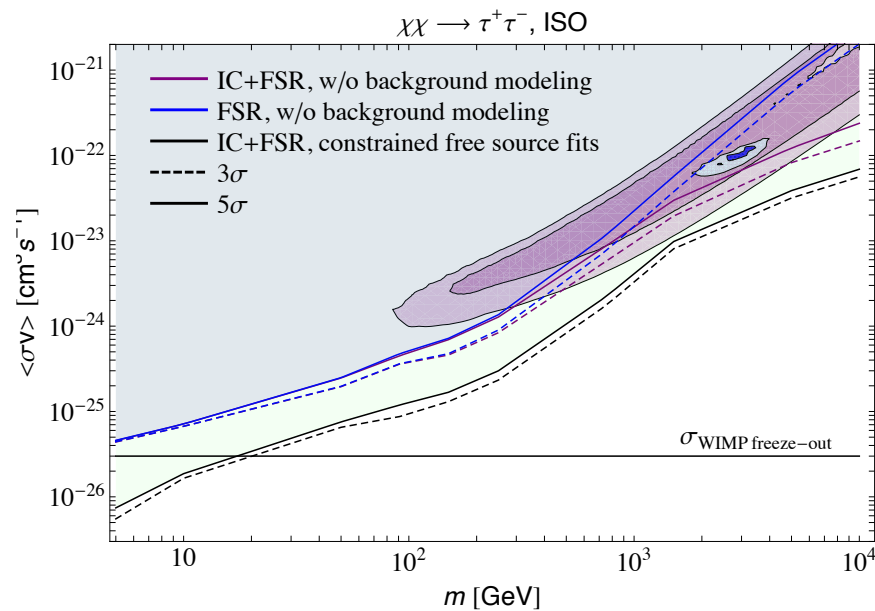
- Blue: limits obtained without any modeling of conventional astrophysical emission.
- generic WIMP models constrained below ~ 20 GeV.





Limits on DM annihilation cross section, for ISOthermal DM profile.

- leptonic final states: purple lines: limits derived by modeling only the direct photon emission. Purple regions: fit to PAMELA and Fermi LAT electron/positron data, [Cirelli et al., Nucl. Phys. B, 2010]. -> covered in S. Profumo's talk.



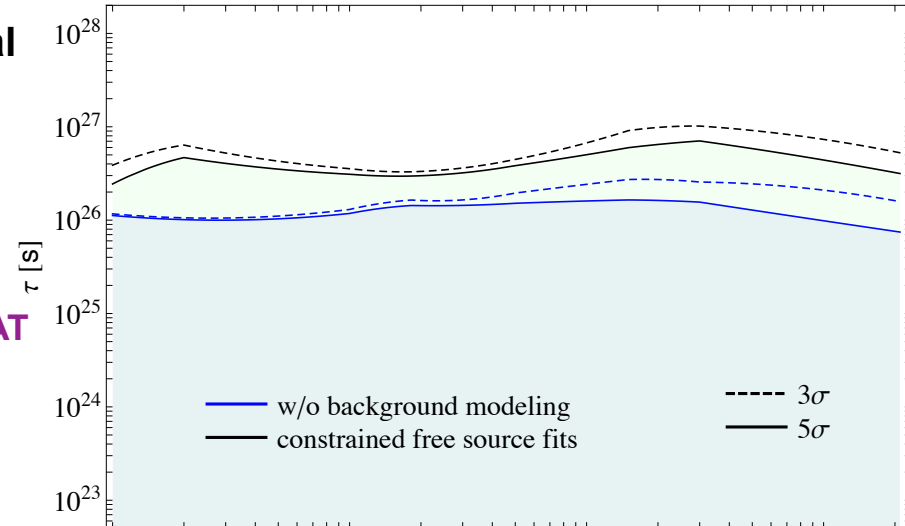
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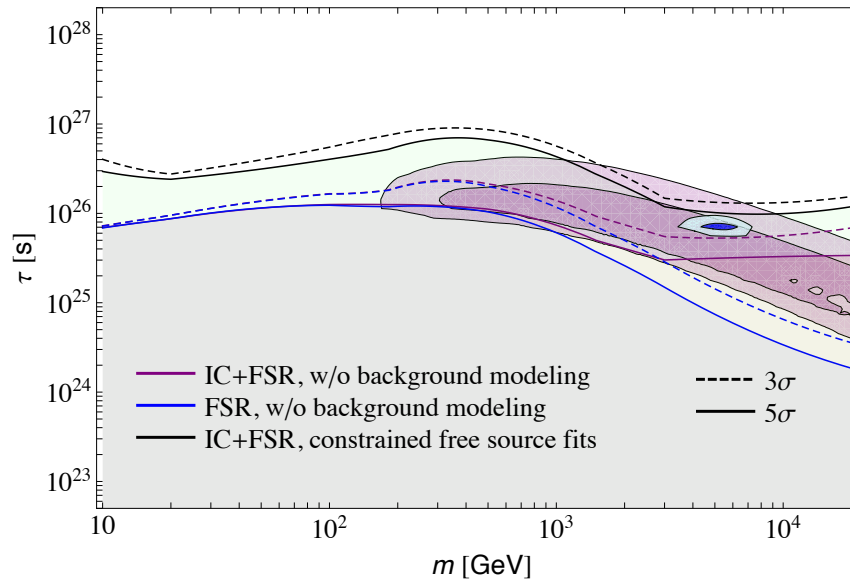
Limits on DM **decay lifetime**, for ISOthermal DM profile.

- Blue: “no-background limits”.
- leptonic final states: purple lines: limits derived by modeling only the direct photon emission.
- Purple regions: fit to PAMELA and Fermi LAT electron/positron data, [Cirelli et al., 2010].

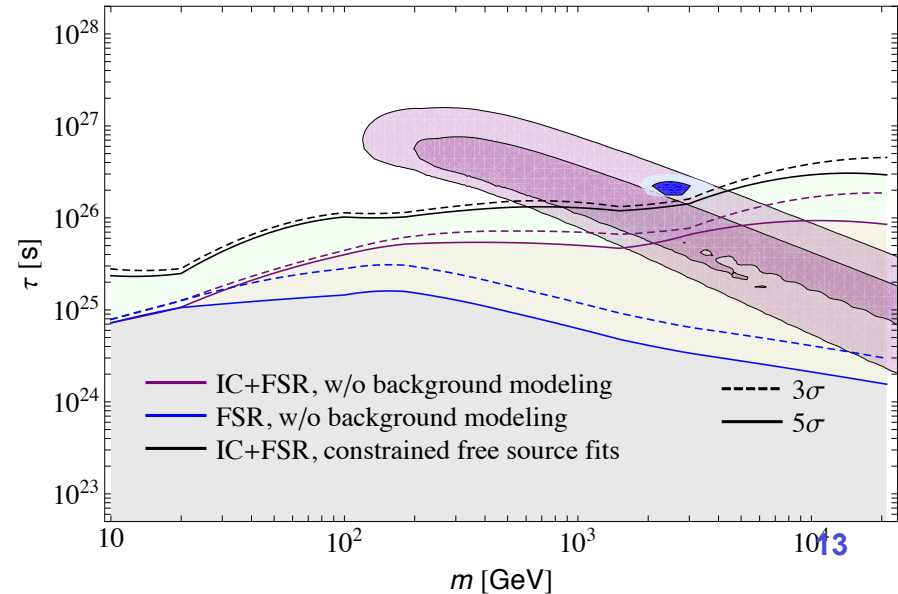
$\chi \rightarrow b\bar{b}$, ISO



$\chi \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$, ISO



$\chi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$, ISO



DM limits - additional uncertainties



- **Remaining parameters of the diffuse emission.**
 - **Alfven speed, Galactic winds, ...**
 - **estimated to be at the level of 10%.**
- **DM density profile and its overall normalization.**
 - **sensitivity both on the DM density profile (probed)**
 - **and its overall normalization (factor of ~2).**

Parameter			
v_A [30; 36 ; 45] km s ⁻¹			<~ 10%
$\gamma_{p,1}$ [1.8; 1.9 ; 2;]			<~ 3%
$\gamma_{p,2}$ [2.35; 2.39 ; 2.45]			<~ 3%
$\rho_{br,p}$ [10; 11.5 ; 12.5] GV			<~ 2 %
d2HI [0.0110, 0.0140 ; 0.0170] 10 ⁻²⁰ mag cm ²			<~ 10 %
KRA($\delta = 0.5$); KOL ($\delta = 0.3$); PD($\delta = 0.6$)	[4.0; 0 ; 3.0]	[1.0; 0 ; 5]	<~ 5%
V_c [0 ; 20] km s ⁻¹	[0 ; 6]	[0 ; 4]	<~ 6%
GMF [Conf 1 , Conf 2]	[0 ; 3]	[0 ; 8]	<~ 10%



- **DM signal in our Galaxy high, but searches challenging due to bright diffuse emission signal degenerate with that of a DM.**
- **Several conservative choices in the analysis:**
 - **consider intermediate latitudes where uncertainty due to the profile is smaller.**
 - **model and subtract astrophysical signal only at >3 kpc from the GC, which is relatively well modeled (compared to inner Galaxy).**
- **Derived competitive DM limits (comparable to those of dwarf Galaxies & with different type of uncertainties) and demonstrated a method which could be used to study presence of additional components in the diffuse emission.**
- **To come: improved modeling of astrophysical mission (finer grid, more propagation models, Fermi bubbles) & inclusion of uncertainty in the DM density profile.**



BACKUP SLIDES

Full parameter tables



Non linear Parameters	Symbol	Grid values
index of the injection CRE spectrum	$\gamma_{e,2}$	1.925, 2.050, 2.175, 2.300, 2.425, 2.550, 2.675, 2.800
half height of the diffusive halo ^a	z_h	2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 15 kpc
dust to HI ratio	d2HI	(0.0120, 0.0130, 0.0140, 0.0150, 0.0160, 0.0170) $\times 10^{-20}$ mag cm ²

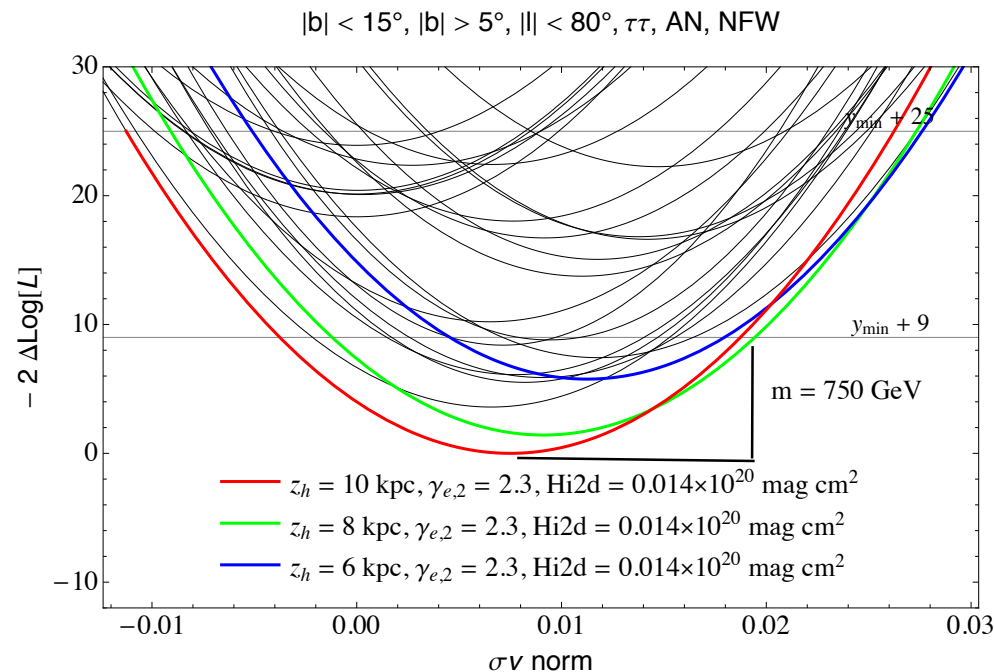
eCRSD and pCRSD coefficients	c_i^e, c_i^p	0, + ∞
local H ₂ to CO factor	X_{CO}^{loc}	0-50 $\times 10^{20}$ cm ⁻² (K km s ⁻¹) ⁻¹
IGB normalization in various energy bins	$\alpha_{IGB,m}$	free
DM normalization	α_χ	free

Parameter	$ \delta\sigma/\sigma $ [%], $b\bar{b}$	$ \delta\sigma/\sigma $ [%], $\mu^+\mu^-$
v_A [30; 36 ; 45] km s ⁻¹	[6; 0 ; 11]	[4.; 0 ; 9]
$\gamma_{p,1}$ [1.8; 1.9 ; 2;]	[1.0; 0 ; 2.5]	[1.5; 0 ; 2.0]
$\gamma_{p,2}$ [2.35; 2.39 ; 2.45]	[2.5; 0 ; 1.5]	[2.5; 0 ; 1.5]
$\rho_{br,p}$ [10; 11.5 ; 12.5] GV	[0.5; 0 ; 1.0]	[0.9; 0 ; 1.5]
d2HI [0.0110, 0.0140 ; 0.0170] 10 ⁻²⁰ mag cm ²	[3; 0 ; 12]	[3; 0 ; 9]
$\gamma_{e,2}$ [2.0; 2.45 ; 2.6]	[17; 0 ; 7]	[18; 0 ; 5]
(D_0, z_h) [(5.0e28 , 4); (7.1e28, 10)] cm ² s ⁻¹	[0 ; 10]	[0 ; 7]
CRSD [SNR ; Pulsar]	[0 ; 61]	[0 ; 59]
KRA($\delta = 0.5$); KOL ($\delta = 0.3$); PD($\delta = 0.6$)	[4.0; 0 ; 3.0]	[1.0; 0 ; 5]
V_c [0; 20] km s ⁻¹	[0 ; 6]	[0 ; 4]
GMF [Conf 1 , Conf 2]	[0 ; 3]	[0 ; 8]

Profile likelihood method



- Fits at different grid points are compared using the Profile likelihood method.
 - Minima of LogL functions is well populated, making it possible to set $3(5)\sigma$ DM limits marginalizing over many astro models.
 - The envelope of all LogL curves represents the final profile likelihood over which we set limits.



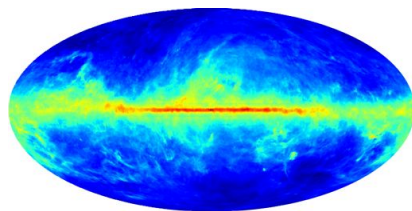
LogLikelihood vs DM normalization for a fixed DM model and mass.

Fitting procedure - linear fits



- For each DM model and each point on a grid we fit such whole sky maps to the data:
 - fitting components: three components of the astrophysical emission, dark matter maps and an isotropic map representing extragalactic emission.
 - We leave the overall normalizations (in each galactocentric ring) as a free parameters of a fit, incorporating both morphology and spectra.

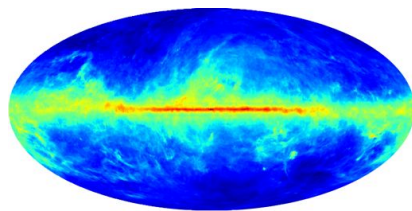
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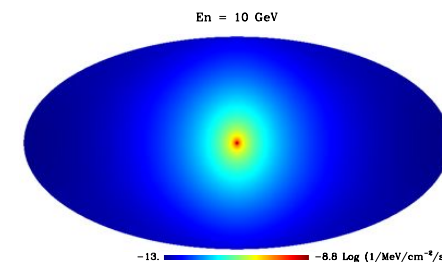
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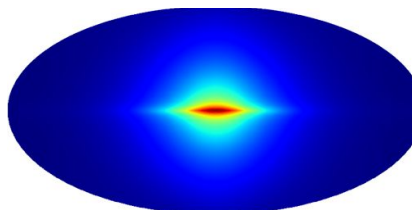
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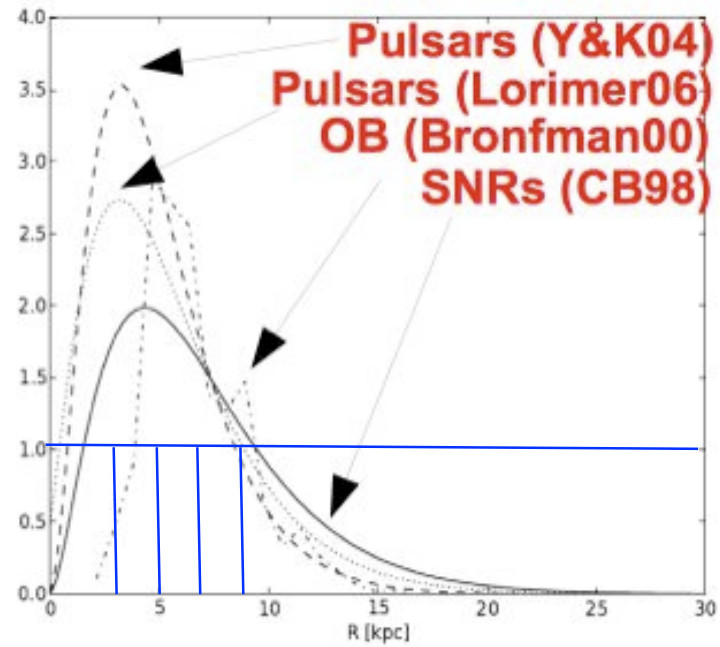
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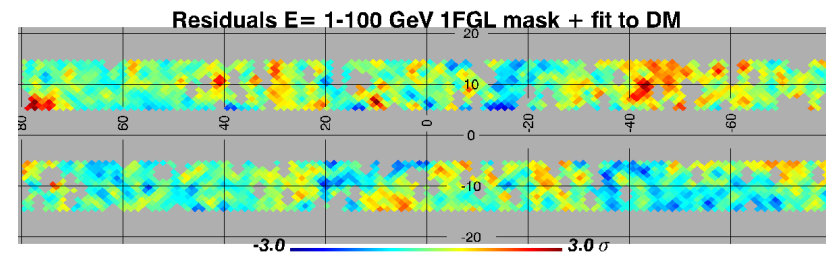
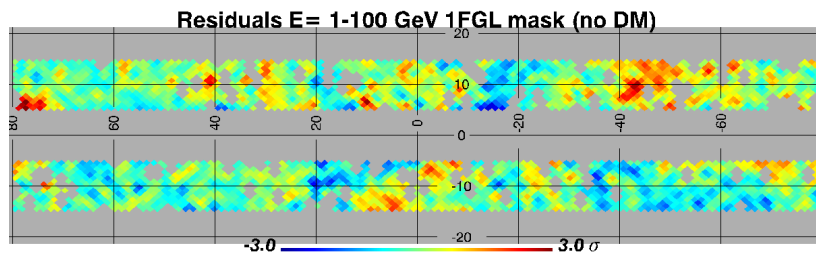
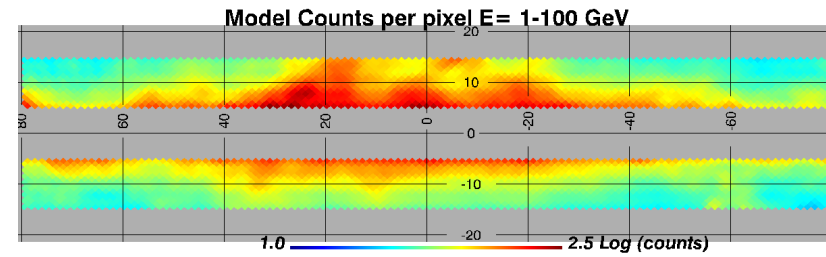
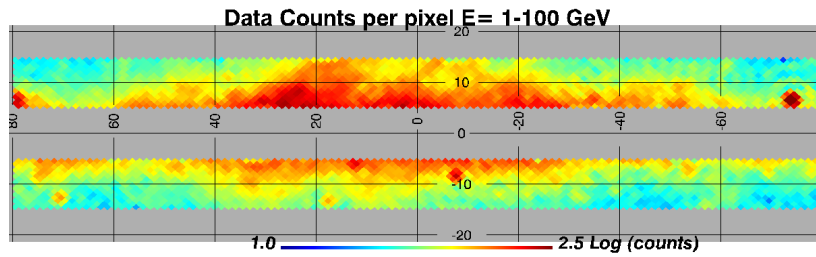
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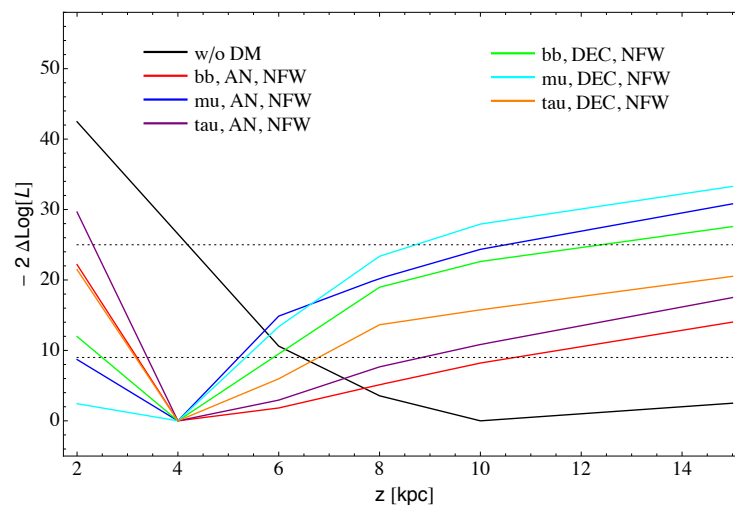
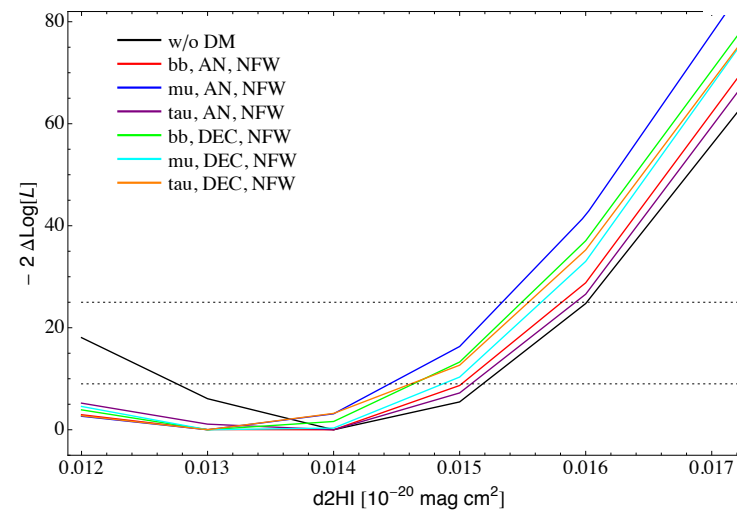
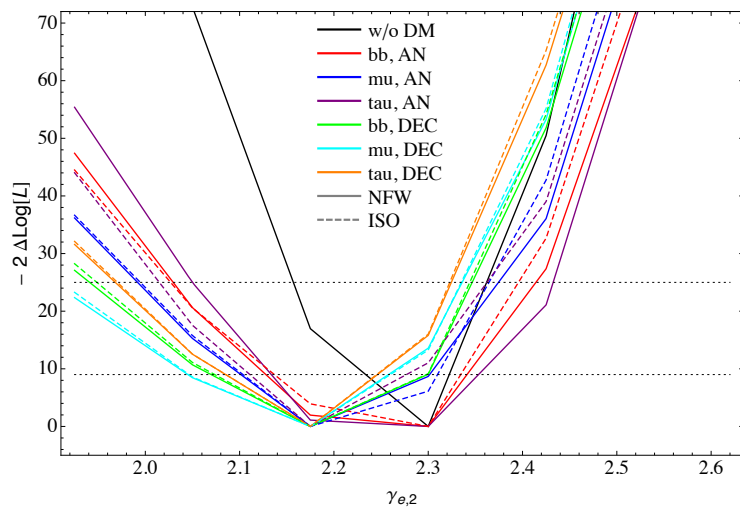
CR source distribution



Residuals



Non linear parameters



$$\begin{aligned}
 I = & \sum_i \left\{ c_i^p \left(H_{\pi^0}^i + \sum_j X_{\text{CO}}^j H_{2\pi^0}^{ij} \right) + \right. \\
 & \left. c_i^e \left(H_{\text{bremss}}^i + \sum_j X_{\text{CO}}^j H_{2\text{bremss}}^{ij} + IC^i \right) \right\} + \\
 & \alpha_\chi (\chi_\gamma + \chi_{ic}) + \sum_m \alpha_{IGB,m} IGB^m.
 \end{aligned}$$