

Light Dark Matter and Indirect Detection

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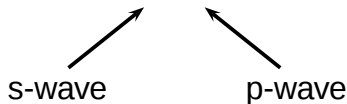
Thermal WIMPs

- Dark Matter relic density: $\Omega_\chi h^2 \simeq 0.1$ (WMAP)

- Thermal WIMPs

$$\Omega_\chi h^2 \simeq \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle}$$

- Velocity expansion: $\sigma v = a + bv^2$

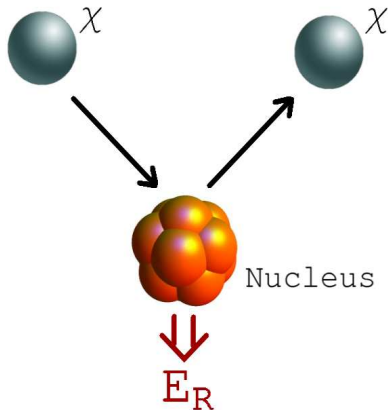


- Freeze-Out: $\langle v^2 \rangle \sim 1/10$

Direct Detection of WIMPs

- WIMP χ passes detector
→ liquid noble gas (Xenon...)
→ crystal (CRESST...)
- scatters off target nucleus
- $E_R \rightsquigarrow$ Light, Heat

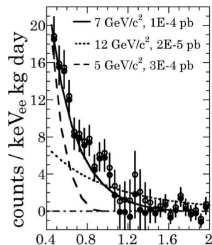
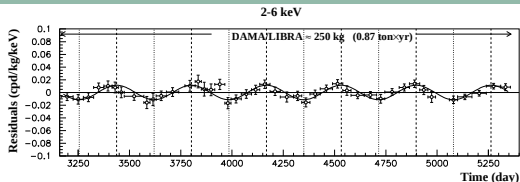
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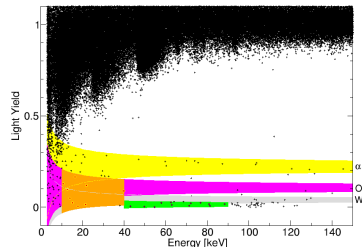
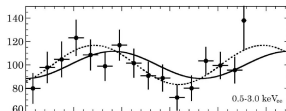
Possible Signals

- modulation signal at **DAMA**

Bernabei et al., Eur. Phys. J. C67 (2010)



Aalseth et al., arXiv:1106.0650 [astro-ph] (2011)

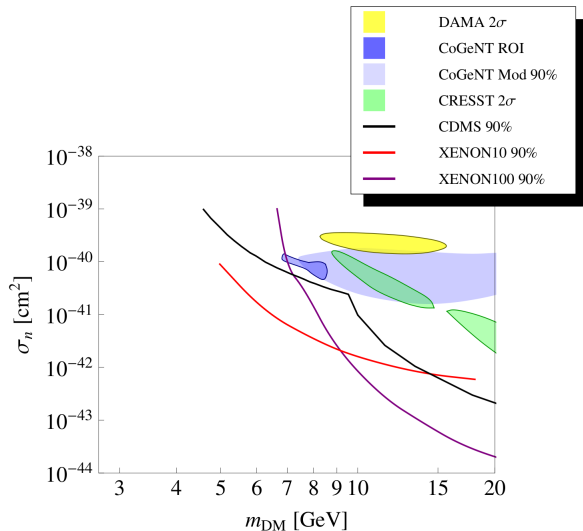


Angloher et al., arXiv:1109.0702 [astro-ph] (2011)

- **CoGeNT**: exponential rise modulation

- **CRESST**: event excess

Direct Detection of WIMPs



- DAMA, CoGeNT, CRESST close
- Tension with XENON, CDMS

XENON 10/100, CDMS, CoGeNT rate, CRESST from official papers,
CoGeNT modulation from Fox et al. arXiv:1107.0717

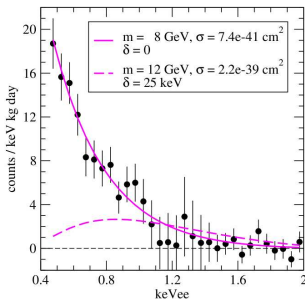
Attempts

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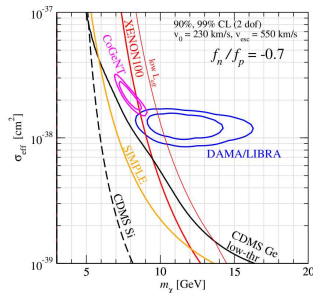
Ralston, [arXiv:1006.5255](#) [hep-ph] (2010)

- Inelastic Dark Matter, isospin violation, ...

Smith et al., Phys. Rev. **D64** (2001), Feng et al., Phys. Lett. B703 (2011)



Schwetz et al., JCAP **08** (2011)



- More exotic dark matter

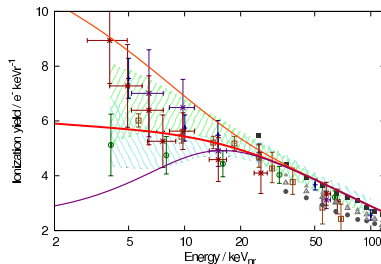
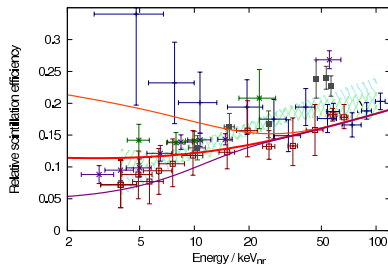
Attempts

- Non-standard astrophysics

Frandsen et al., [arXiv:1111.0292](#) [hep-ph] (2011)

- Xenon uncertainties L_{eff} , Q_y

Collar, [arXiv:1106.0653](#) [astro-ph] (2011)



Bezrukov et al., *Astropart. Phys.* **35** (2011)

What can we learn from indirect detection?

Indirect Detection of Light Dark Matter: Possible Weak Hints

- Gamma ray excess from the galactic center

Hooper et al., [arXiv:1110.0006](#) (2011)

- Radio filament structures near the galactic center

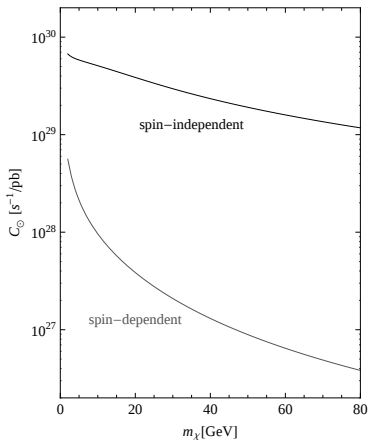
Hooper et al., *Astrophys. J.* **741** (2011)

- Isotropic radio emission

Fornengo et al., [arXiv:1108.0569](#) (2011)

astrophysics?

WIMP Capture in the Sun



- WIMPs scatter, get trapped in the gravitational potential of the sun
- Capture rate on element i

$$\frac{dC_i}{dr} \sim \text{Flux} \cdot \text{Kinematics} \cdot \rho_i(r) \cdot \sigma_i$$

- Spin-dependent:
Only H

- Spin-independent:
 $\sigma \propto A^2$, kinematics $\Rightarrow$ H, **He**, ..., Ni

Annihilation in the Sun

- Captured WIMPs thermalize

$$f(v) \propto \exp\left(\frac{-m_\chi v^2}{2T_\chi}\right)$$
$$n(r) \propto \exp\left(\frac{-m_\chi \phi(r)}{T_\chi}\right)$$

with $T_\chi \sim T_{\odot, \text{core}}$

- Annihilation rate $\Gamma_\odot = A_\odot N^2$ with

$$A_\odot = \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_\odot}{V_{\text{eff}}}$$

- Careful with p-wave: $\langle v^2 \rangle_\odot \sim 10^{-6}$

WIMP Evaporation

- By scattering $v > v_{\text{esc}} \rightarrow$ escape from sun
- Relevant for light WIMPs
- Evaporation rate per particle

$$E_{\odot} \simeq \frac{1}{t_{\odot}} \exp \left(\frac{-30 (m_{\chi} - m_{\text{evap}})}{m_{\text{evap}}} \right)$$

- evaporation mass:

$$m_{\text{evap}} \simeq 3.5 \text{ GeV} + 0.32 \text{ GeV} \cdot \log_{10} \left(\frac{\sigma_p}{10^{-40} \text{ cm}^2} \right)$$

Total Annihilation Signal

- WIMP number

$$\dot{N} = C_{\odot} - 2A_{\odot} N^2 - E_{\odot} N$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{ann}} = \frac{C_{\odot}}{2} \cdot \tanh\left(\sqrt{2C_{\odot}A_{\odot}} t_{\odot}\right) \quad (\text{evaporation neglected})$$

- For $\sqrt{2C_{\odot}A_{\odot}} t_{\odot} \gg 1$ equilibrium:

$$\Gamma_{\text{ann}} = C_{\odot}/2$$

- Example: thermal WIMP ($m_{\chi} = 10 \text{ GeV}$, $\sigma_p = 10^{-40} \text{ cm}^2$):

$$\sqrt{2C_{\odot}A_{\odot}} t_{\odot} \simeq \begin{cases} 400 & (\text{s-wave}) \\ 0.7 & (\text{p-wave}) \end{cases}$$

Neutrinos from Dark Matter

- Model-independent approach

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow c\bar{c}, b\bar{b}, \tau\bar{\tau}, \nu\bar{\nu}$$

- Neutrino spectrum

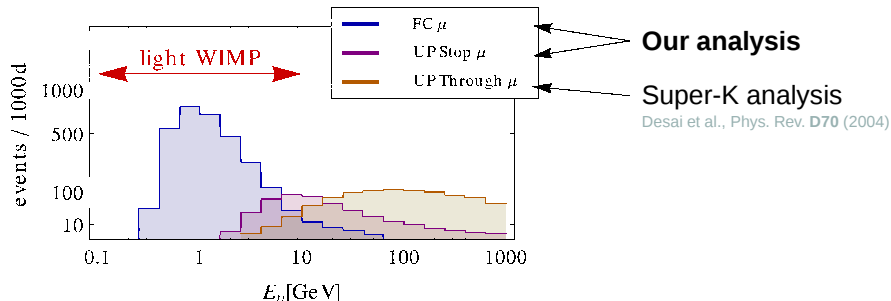
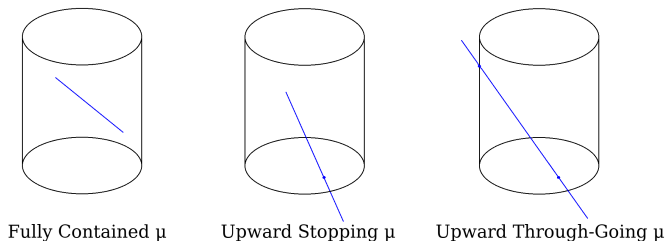
$$\left. \frac{dN_{\nu}^{f\bar{f}}}{dE} \right|_{\odot} \xrightarrow{\text{matter-, vacuum oscil., absorption}} \left. \frac{dN_{\nu\mu}^{f\bar{f}}}{dE} \right|_{\text{earth}}$$

- Neutrino Flux

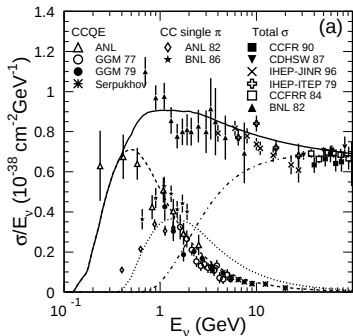
$$\Phi_{\nu} = \frac{\Gamma_{\odot}}{4\pi d_{\odot}^2} \left. \frac{dN_{\nu\mu}^{f\bar{f}}}{dE} \right|_{\text{earth}}$$

- Angular distribution from position of the earth

Event Types at Super-Kamiokande



Event Rates



Super-Kamiokande, Phys. Rev. D **71** (2005)

- $E_\nu > 10 \text{ GeV}$: νDIS

- $E_\nu < 10 \text{ GeV}$: $\nu\text{QE}, \nu\pi$

$$\nu_\mu + p \rightarrow \mu + \Delta^{++} \rightarrow p + \pi$$

- Monte Carlo: NEUGEN

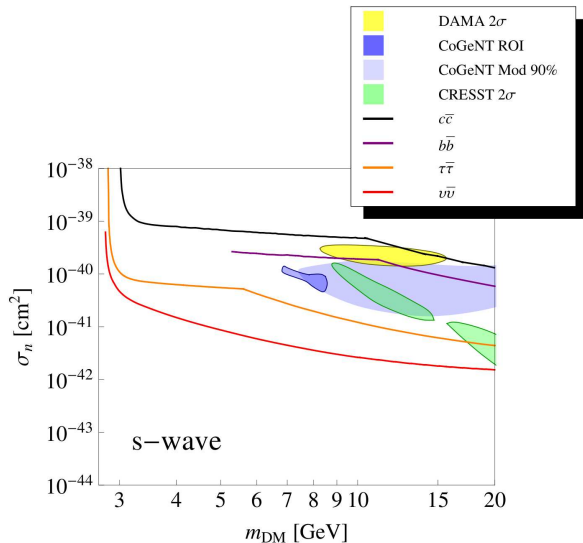
Gallagher, Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl. **112** (2002)

- Rate for FC events

$$R^{\text{FC}} \propto \int dE_\nu d\cos\theta_\nu dx^3 \frac{d\Phi_\nu}{d\cos\theta_\nu} \sigma_{\text{cc}} p_{\text{stop}}(E_\nu, \theta_\nu, \mathbf{x})$$

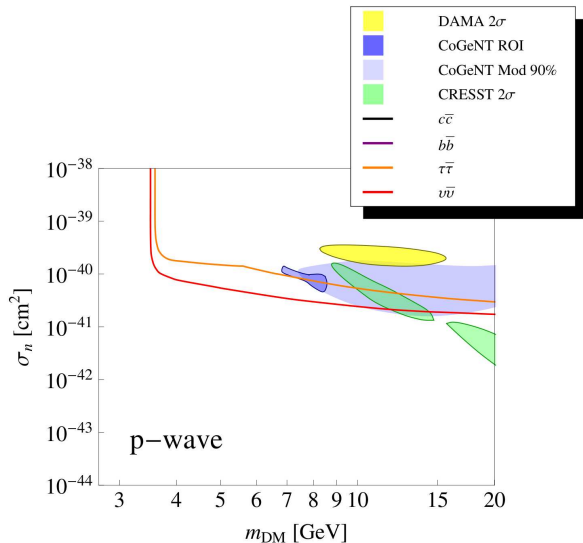
- analysis: $\nu\text{DM} + \nu\text{Atm} < \nu\text{Measured} + \text{error}$

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- DAMA, CoGeNT, CRESST not from WIMPs annihilating into τ , ν pairs

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Antiprotons in Cosmic Rays

- New precision measurement by BESS-Polar II

Abe et al., [arXiv:1107.6000](#)

⇒ Consistent with background? Exotic sources?

- Secondary antiproton background

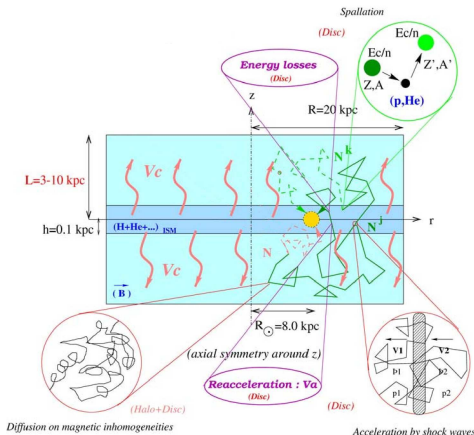
$$p, He + H_{\text{ISM}}, He_{\text{ISM}} \rightarrow \bar{p} + X$$

- Source term

$$q^{\text{sec}}(T) \sim \int dT' \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dT} \right)_{\bar{p} \text{ prod}} n_{\text{H}_{\text{ISM}}} \Phi_p$$


DTUNUC model or
Fit to experimental data

Antiproton Propagation I



from D. Maurin

Diffusion equation:

$$\nabla(-K \nabla N_{\bar{p}} + \mathbf{V}_c N_{\bar{p}}) + \partial_E (b_{\text{loss}} N_{\bar{p}} - K_{EE} \partial_E N_{\bar{p}}) + \Gamma_{\text{ann}} N_{\bar{p}} = q_{\bar{p}} + q_{\bar{p}}^{\text{ter}}$$

Antiproton Propagation II

- 2 Zone diffusion model

Maurin et al. *Astrophys. J.* **555** (2001)

- Five propagation parameters: K_0 , δ , L , V_c , V_A .

- (Partly) fixed by B/C analysis

Putze et al., *A & A* **516** (2010)

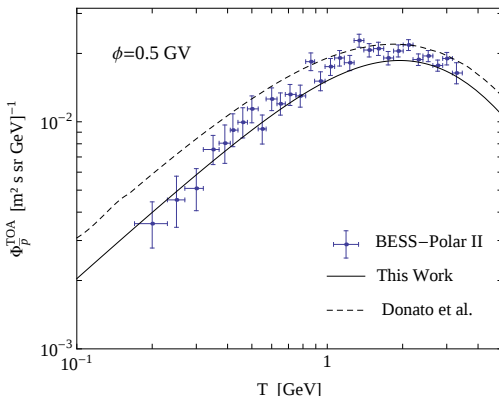
- Solar Modulation:

→ Complicated

→ Force-field approximation (solar minimum):

$$\Phi_{\bar{p}}^{\text{TOA}}(T) = \frac{p^2}{p_{\text{IS}}^2} \Phi_{\bar{p}}^{\text{IS}}(T_{\text{IS}}) \quad \text{with} \quad T_{\text{IS}} = T + \phi .$$

Comparison with Experiment



- Reduced flux compared to Donato et al.

Donato et al., *Astrophys. J.*
563 (2001)

- BESS-Polar II consistent with pure secondary background

Antiprotons from Dark Matter

- Model-independent approach

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow u\bar{u}, d\bar{d}, s\bar{s}, c\bar{c}, b\bar{b}, WW, ZZ$$

- Primary source term

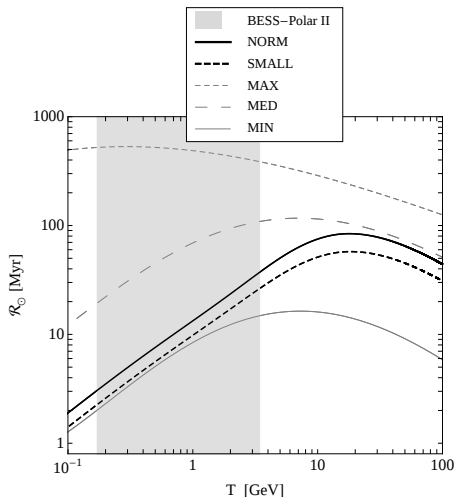
$$q_{\bar{p}}^{\text{prim}}(\mathbf{r}, T) = \frac{\rho_{\chi}^2}{m_{\chi}^2} \frac{\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v \rangle}{2} \frac{dN_{ff}}{dT}$$

- neglecting low energy effects (energy losses, reacceleration, tertiaries)

$$\Phi_{\bar{p}} \sim q^{\text{prim}} \cdot R_{\odot}$$

- Higher sensitivity to propagation parameters

Propagation Parameters



- K_0 , δ , V_c , V_A from B/C

- several hints for
 $L \gtrsim 4$ kpc

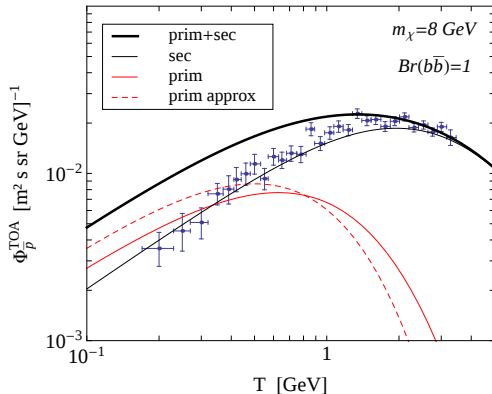
- New B/C: Higher V_c

Putze et al., A & A 516 (2010)

- comparison with earlier work:

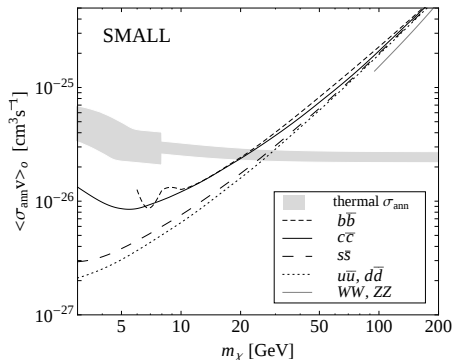
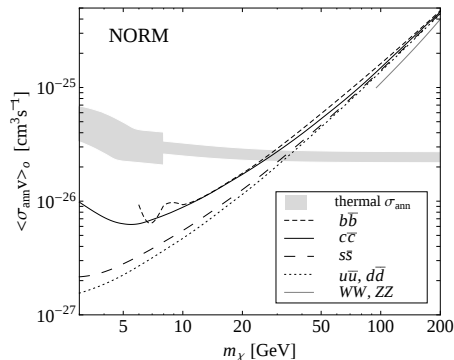
model	δ	$K_0 [\frac{\text{kpc}^2}{\text{Myr}}]$	$L [\text{kpc}]$	$V_c [\frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}}]$	$V_A [\frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}}]$
MIN	0.85	0.0016	1	13.5	22.4
MED	0.70	0.0112	4	12	52.9
MAX	0.46	0.0765	15	5	117.6
NORM	0.86	0.0042	4	18.7	35.5
SMALL	0.86	0.0031	3	18.6	30.5

Primary Flux



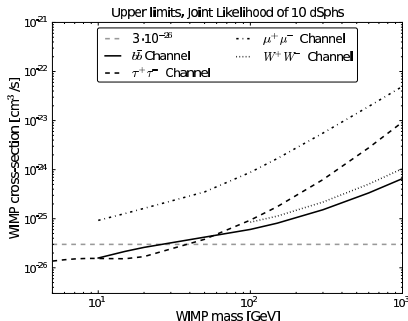
- Primary flux for 8 GeV WIMP
- Low energy effects non-negligible

Constraints from BESS-Polar II



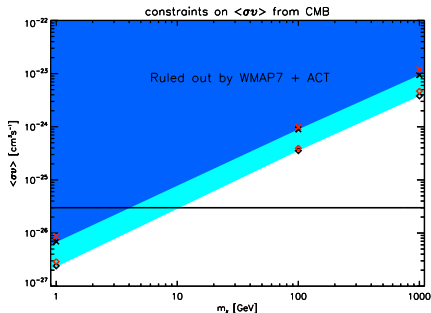
- Stronger limits for annihilation into light quarks
- Thermal WIMPs with $m_\chi = 3 \dots 20$ GeV disfavored unless annihilation is non-hadronic or p-wave suppressed

Other Indirect Searches



● Limits from Dwarfs

Fermi-LAT, [arXiv:1108.3546](#) (2011)



● Limits from WMAP

Galli et al., *Phys. Rev. D*84 (2011)

Hutsi et al., [arXiv:1103.2766](#) (2011)

⇒ Relatively robust exclusion light WIMPs with hadronic annihilation (s-wave)

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Belikov et al., [arXiv:1009.0549](#) [hep-ph] (2010)

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A Supersymmetric Model

- introduce one singlet superfield S
- new particles: singlino $\tilde{S}$, singlet scalar h_s , pseudoscalar a_s
- most general superpotential (including S^2 -term)

Drees, Int. J. Mod. Phys. **A4** (1989)

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{W}_{\text{MSSM}} + \lambda S H_u H_d + \frac{\mu_s}{2} S^2 + \frac{\kappa}{3} S^3$$

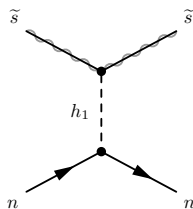
- + corresponding soft terms
- interaction between singlet and MSSM controlled by λ
- interaction in singlet sector controlled by κ

Towards light WIMPs

Assumption	Effect
all singlet mass terms $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ GeV})$	$m_{\tilde{S}, h_S, a_S} \sim 10 \text{ GeV}$
suppressed λ	MSSM and Singlets “almost decouple” $h_1 = h_S + \sin \theta h$
sizeable κ	significant singlet self-interactions

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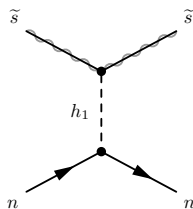


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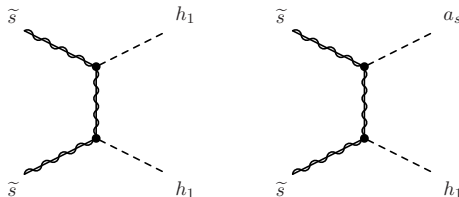
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$\Rightarrow$ CRESST & Co explanation for sizeable κ , small m_{h_1}

Singlinos as Thermal Relics

- thermal relic density $\Omega \propto \langle \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \rangle^{-1}$
- sizeable κ , small m_{h_1} opens annihilation channel(s)



$$\sigma v_{\text{rel}} \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \frac{\kappa^4}{16\pi} \frac{1}{m_{\tilde{s}}^2} \times \begin{cases} v_{\text{rel}}^2 & (h_1 h_1\text{-channel}) \\ 1 & (h_1 a_s\text{-channel}) \end{cases}$$

- $\Omega_{\tilde{s}} = \Omega_{\text{DM}}$ for $\kappa = 0.01 \dots 0.1$

A Benchmark Scenario

Input Parameters

Quantity	Value
μ	370 GeV
$\langle S \rangle$	163 GeV
A_κ	-9 GeV
μ_S	-19 GeV
$B\mu_S$	0
λ	-0.003
κ	0.08

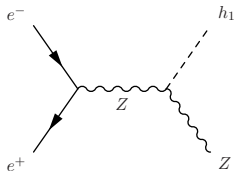
Predictions

Quantity	Value
m_{a_s}	28 GeV
$m_{\tilde{S}}$	7 GeV
m_{h_1}	4 GeV
$\sin \theta$	0.03
σ_p	$\sim 10^{-40} \text{ cm}^2$
Ωh^2	~ 0.1

- CoGeNT, DAMA, CRESST $\sim \checkmark$ (not XENON)
- Relic density $\checkmark$
- Indirect detection constraints $\checkmark$
- Experimental constraints ?

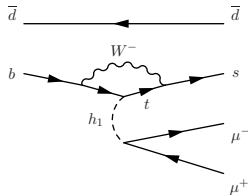
Experimental Constraints on Light Scalar

Higgs-like particles at LEP



L3-limit $ZZ h_1$ -coupling

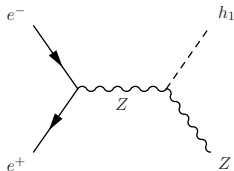
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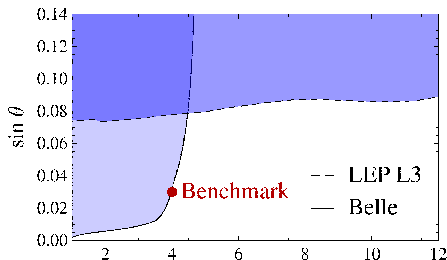
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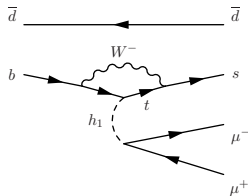
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- can be translated into limits on $\sin \theta$
- benchmark point viable

Conclusion

- Signals at several DM direct detection experiments might hint at light WIMPs (but tension)
- Such WIMPs can be strongly constrained by indirect detection
- Super-Kamiokande disfavors annihilation into neutrinos and taus
- BESS-Polar disfavors annihilation into quarks
- Exception: p-wave annihilation
- A simple singlet extension of the MSSM offers a promising light dark matter candidate