Dark matter annihilation and decay factors in the Milky Way's dwarf spheroidal galaxies

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Dwarf spheroidal galaxies

- Dwarf spheroidal galaxies (dSphs) are Milky Way satellites:
 - Highly **dark matter dominated**: *M/L* > 10-1000 *Mo*/*Lo*
 - → Largest DM clumps in which baryonic matter collapsed.
 - ~30 were discovered, ranging from very bright (« classical ») to ultra-faint objects.
 - Free of astrophysical γ-ray emission.

 \rightarrow Among the best targets for searching γ -ray emission from dark matter annihilation.

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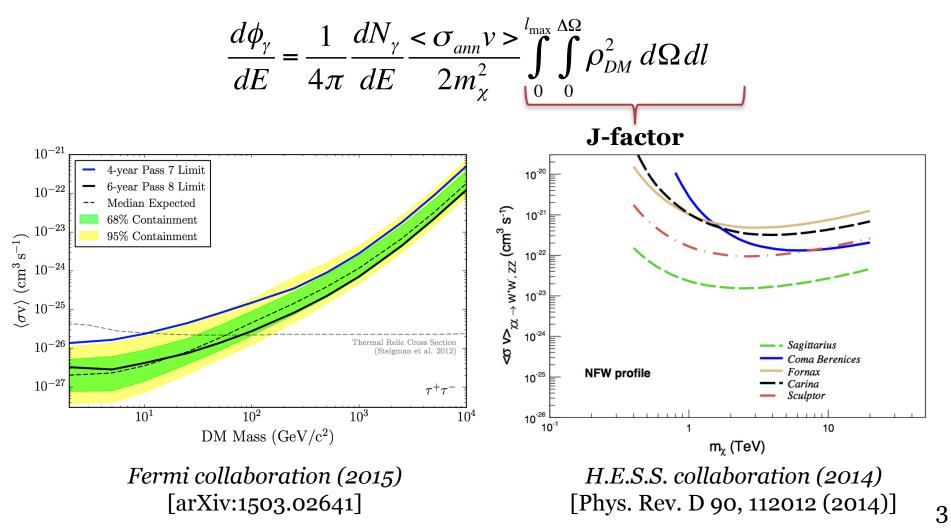
Leo I dSph. Credit: WikiSky (SDSS) $d \sim 250 \text{ kpc}; M \sim 10^7 M \circ$

- dSphs are primary targets of γ-ray observatories:
 - Fermi-LAT;
 - H.E.S.S., MAGIC, and VERITAS

J-factors

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- Absence of γ -ray emission: constraints on DM properties.
- γ-ray differential flux coming from dark matter annihilation:

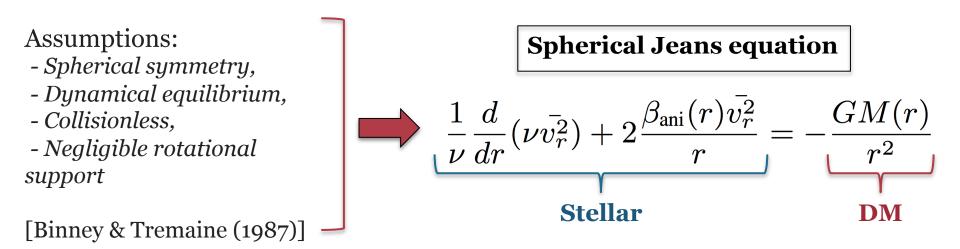


Jeans analysis (1)

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• J-factor: requires the DM density profile

 \rightarrow Use the stellar population of the dSph as tracer of its gravitational potential: **Jeans analysis**

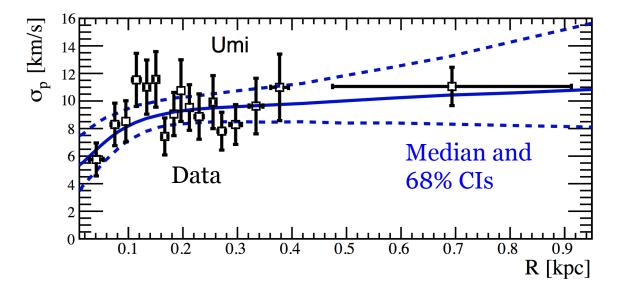


• From the solution, we can compute the stellar velocity dispersion along the line of sight: $\sigma_p(R)$

$$\sigma_p^2(R) = \frac{2}{I(R)} \int_R^\infty \left(1 - \beta_{\rm ani}(r) \frac{R^2}{r^2} \right) \frac{\nu(r) \, \bar{v_r^2}(r) \, r}{\sqrt{r^2 - R^2}} \mathrm{d}r$$

Jeans analysis (2)

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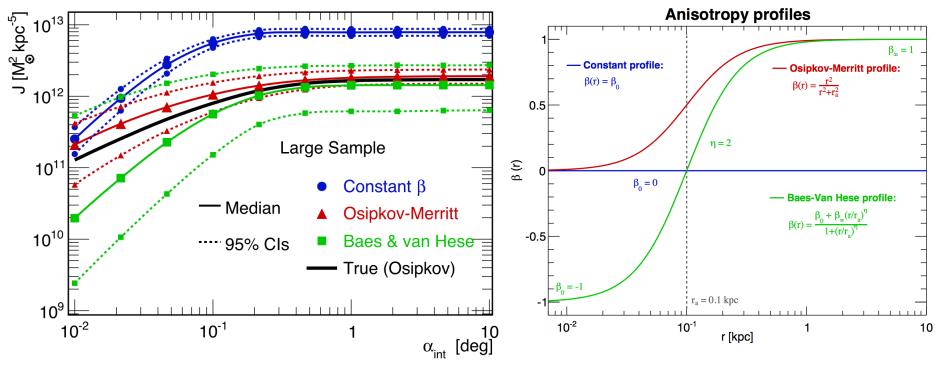
Velocity dispersion profile of the « classical » dSph Ursa Minor.

- Method:
 - Assume parametric models for $\beta_{ani}(r)$ and $\rho_{DM}(r)$ [4 7 free parameters]
 - Compute $\sigma_p(R)$
 - Compare to the measured velocity dispersion [MCMC analysis GreAT: http://lpsc.in2p3.fr/great]
 - Compute J-factor from $\rho_{DM}(r)$ [CLUMPY: http://lpsc.in2p3.fr/clumpy]



Jeans analysis: uncertainties

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- Using **simulated dSphs** for which the DM and anisotropy profiles are known, we found that several ingredients can **bias** the J-factor reconstruction:
 - Too specific anisotropy parametrizations,

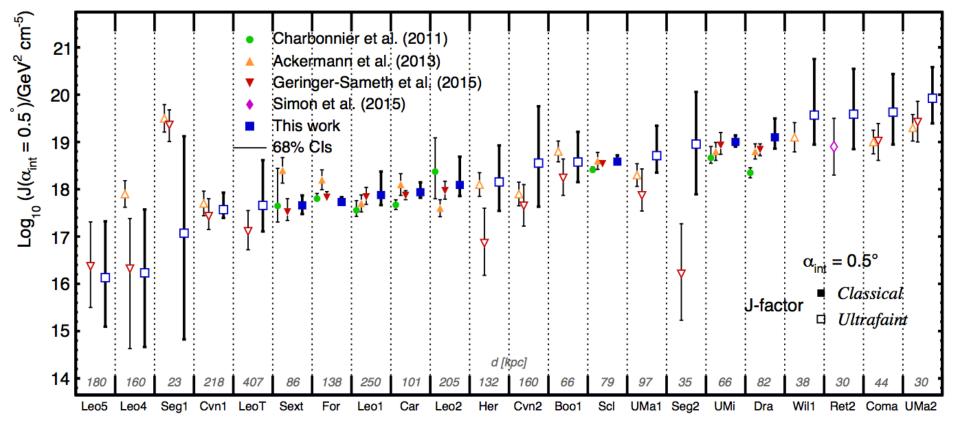


- Fitting of the stellar number density \rightarrow external part has an impact.
- Non-sphericity of the DM halo (triaxiality) \rightarrow 0.4 dex systematic error.
- → We proposed an « optimised » setup in Bonnivard et al. (2015) [MNRAS 446, 3002]

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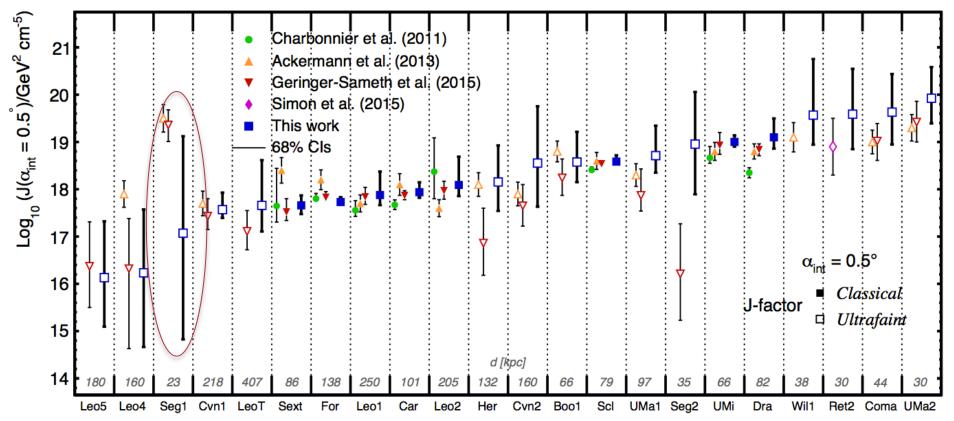


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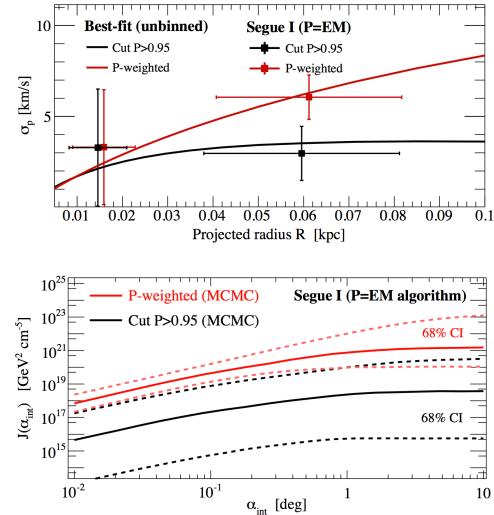


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The Segue I case

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- The ultrafaint **Segue I** is often promoted as the « best target » among the dSphs.
- However, its kinematic sample might be contaminated by Milky Way foreground stars.
- \rightarrow Our analysis is very sensitive to these ambiguous stars.
- Segue I's behaviour is very similar to what we observed in contaminated mock dSphs.
- → Its J-factor might be not reliable (Bonnivard et al. 2015, arXiv:1506.08209).



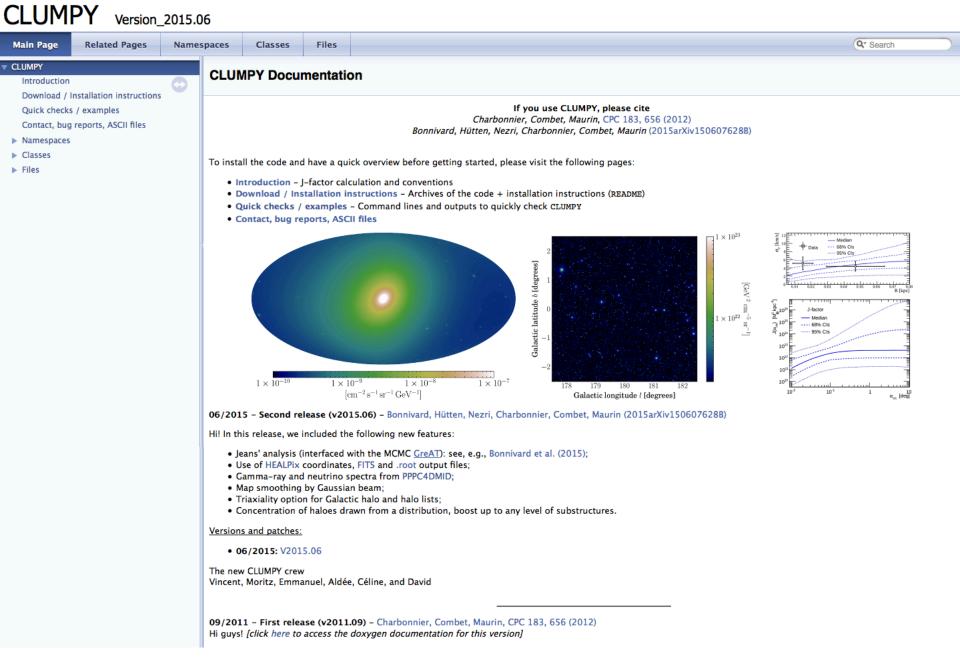
Conclusions

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- dSphs for DM indirect detection:
 - Among the **best targets** for searching γ-rays from DM annihilation or decay;
 - Used to put strong constraints on the DM particle properties.
- J-factor reconstruction:

 - Application to 22 dSphs, including the recently discovered Ret II [arXiv:1504.02048, 2015 ApJL 808 36],
 - Segue I's J-factor might be **not reliable** because of Milky Way contamination [arXiv:1506.08209].

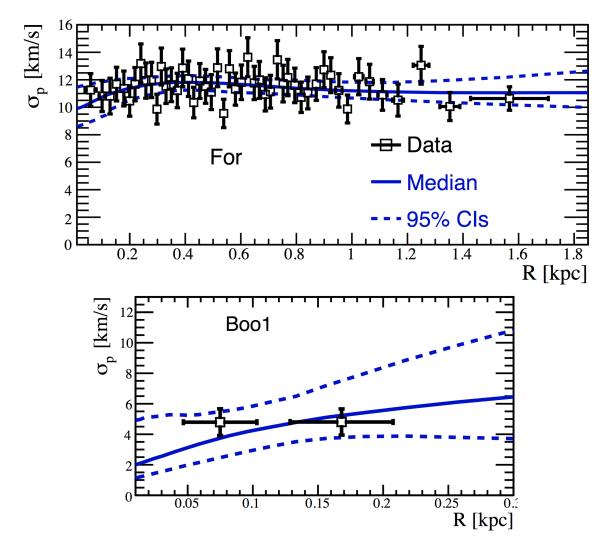
All these analyses were done with the new version of the CLUMPY code! [arXiv:1506.07628]



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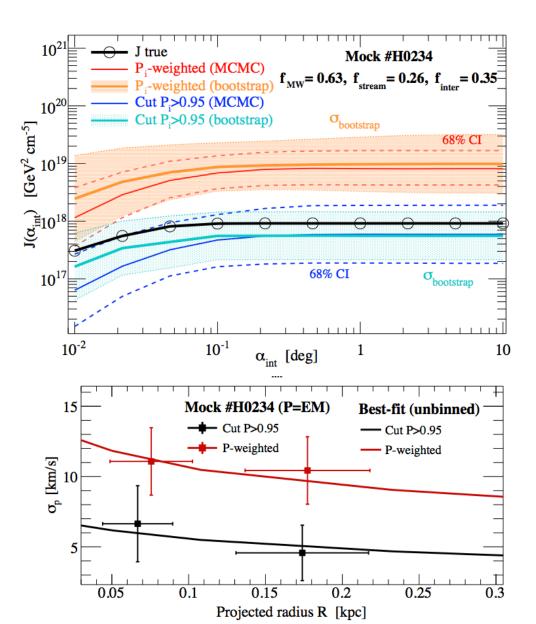


Velocity dispersion profiles



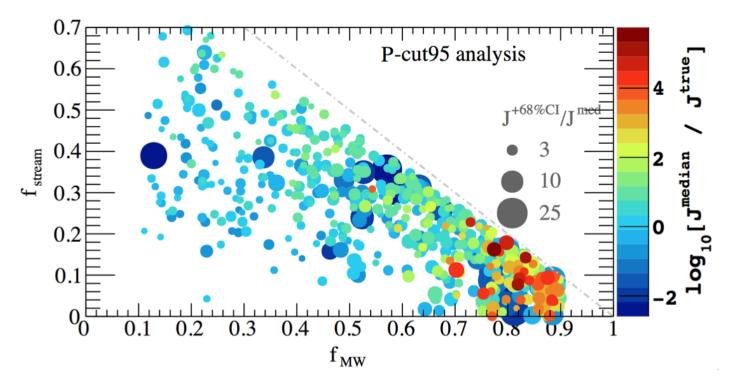
Velocity dispersion for the classical dSph Fornax

Velocity dispersion for the ultrafaint dSph Bootes 1 Segue I

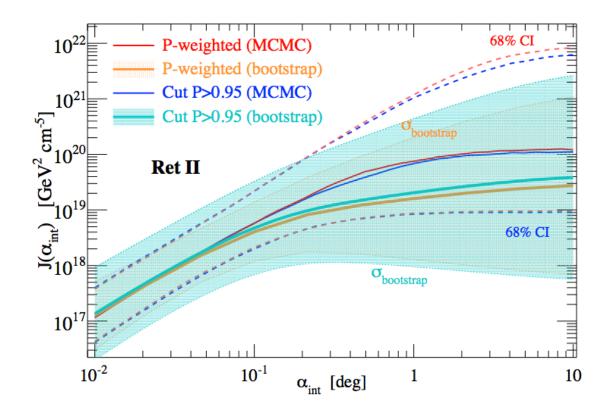


Mock contaminated dSph similar to Segue I

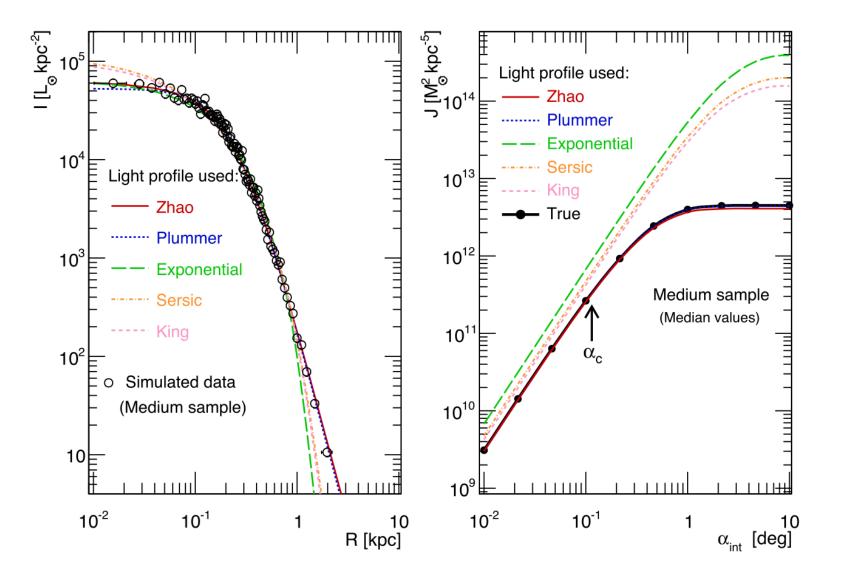
Velocity dispersion profile of the mock Segue I



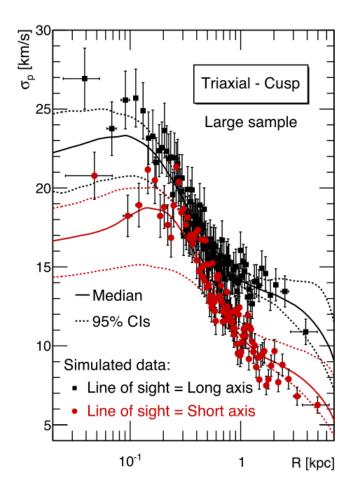
Impact of contamination on J-factor reconstruction Ret II

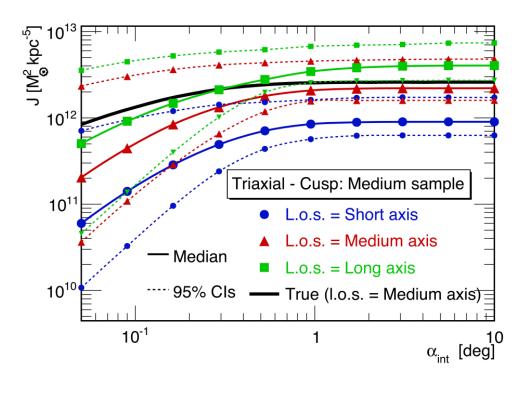


No impact of contamination on Ret II Light profile



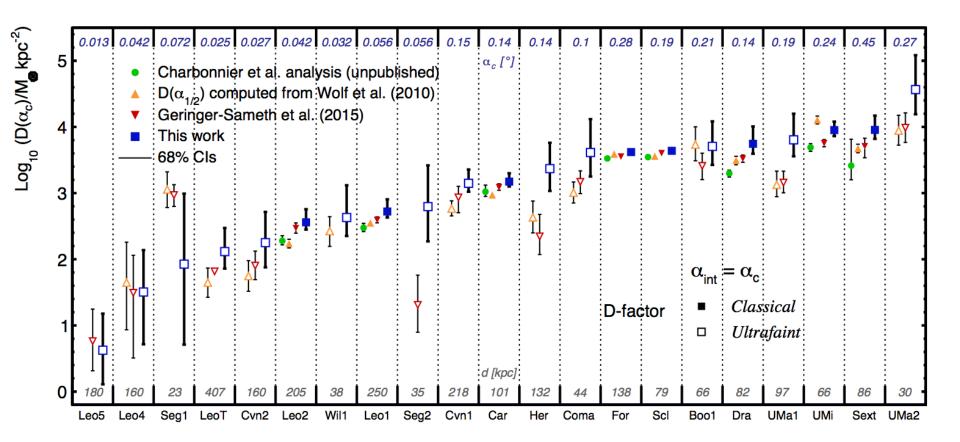
Triaxiality





Decay

 $\frac{d\phi_{\gamma}}{dE} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{dN_{\gamma}}{dE} \frac{1}{\tau} \int_{0}^{l_{\text{max}}} \int_{0}^{\Delta\Omega} \rho_{DM} \, d\Omega \, dl$



J vs background

