



Indirect Dark Matter searches with H.E.S.S.

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High Energy Stereoscopic System

System of four Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes designed for very high energy ($E_\gamma > 100$ GeV) γ -ray astronomy

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~30 institutes

130 physicists and astrophysicists

Indirect dark matter search

Gamma-ray flux from WIMP annihilation:

$$\frac{d\Phi_{\gamma}(\Delta\Omega, E)}{dE} = F_0 \frac{dN_{\gamma}}{dE} \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{ref}} \left(\frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{m_{DM}} \right)^2 \frac{1}{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\Delta\Omega} d\Omega \int_{l.o.s} \rho^2(r[s]) ds$$

Angular acceptance

$$\Delta\Omega_{\text{HESS}} = 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ sr}$$

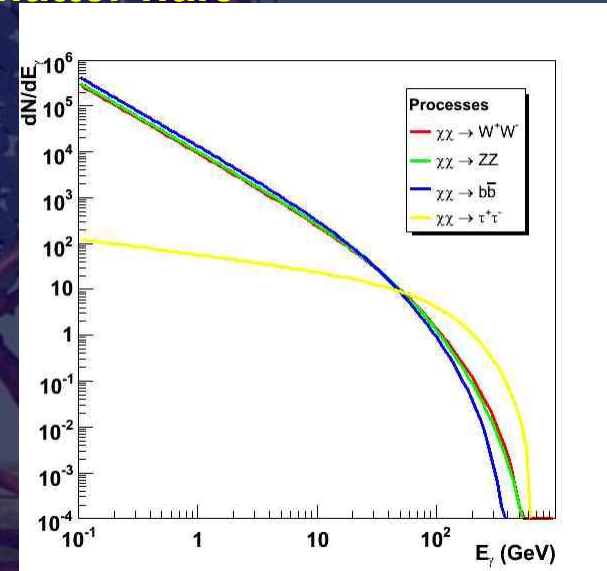
Particle Physics :

Astrophysics : Dark matter halo

- Cross sections
- Branching ratios
- Differential photon yield
- Mass of the DM particle

strong dependence on the spatial distribution
 → model required for density profile

Gamma spectrum: typically a continuum with an exponential cut-off at the DM particle mass



Dark Matter candidates

- Lots of candidates satisfy WIMP requirements...
- Here, we study two well-known cases:
 - neutralino (SUSY)
 - Kaluza-Klein (UED) particles

The lightest neutralino (LSP):

$$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 = Z_{11}\tilde{B} + Z_{12}\tilde{W} + Z_{13}\tilde{H}_1^0 + Z_{14}\tilde{H}_2^0$$

- stable if R-parity conserved
- relic density can accommodate WMAP constraints on CDM
- annihilation spectrum:
 - gamma-ray lines suppressed
 - continuum from W^\pm , Z, b, \bar{b} hadronisation

The lightest Kaluza-Klein particle (LKP):

$$B^{(1)}$$

- first KK excitation of the photon
- stable if K-parity conserved
- mass in the range 400-1200 GeV to satisfy WMAP constraints
- annihilation spectrum:
 - continuum from charged leptons and quarks

The H.E.S.S. telescope array

Array of four Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes
located in Namibia (1800m a.s.l.)



- 13 m diameter telescopes : 107 m² each
- Stereoscopic reconstruction
- Cameras equipped with 960 PMTs
- Large field of view 5°
- Observations on moonless nights, ~1000h/year

- Angular resolution < 0.1°/γ
- Energy threshold (zenith) ~ 100 GeV
- Energy resolution ~ 15%
- Sensitivity: 1% Crab in 25 hours

Potential targets for H.E.S.S.

Searches performed on amplification sites:

$$\Gamma_{\chi} \sim \sigma v \frac{\rho_{\chi}^2}{m_{\chi}^2}$$

Galactic Centre:

- distance : 8.5 kpc
- standard γ -ray emitters \Rightarrow astrophysical background
- diffuse emission along the galactic plane

Galaxy cluster centres:

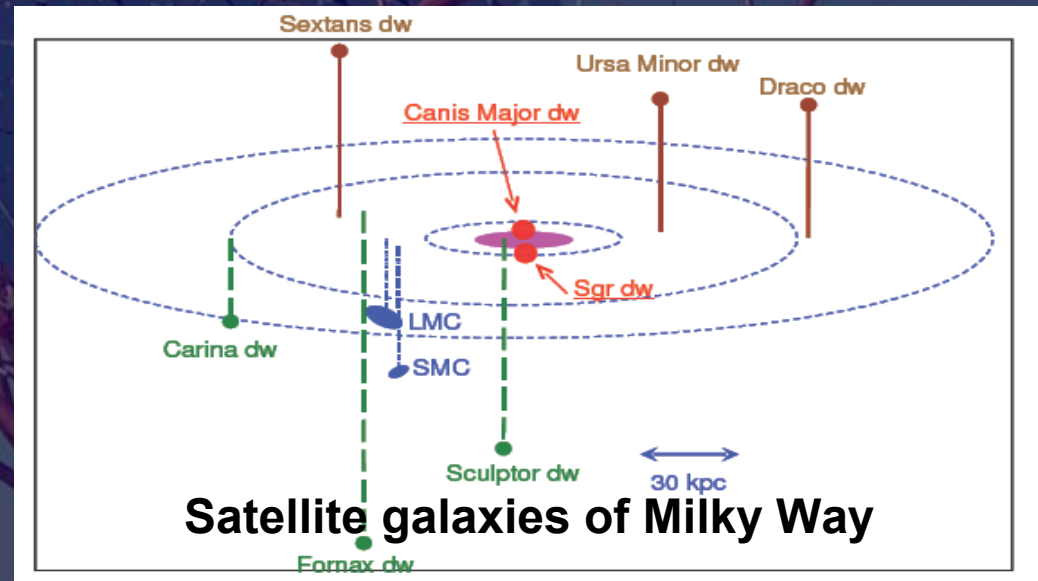
- Virgo (M87), 16.3 Mpc

Dwarf spheroidal galaxies:

4 in 100 kpc

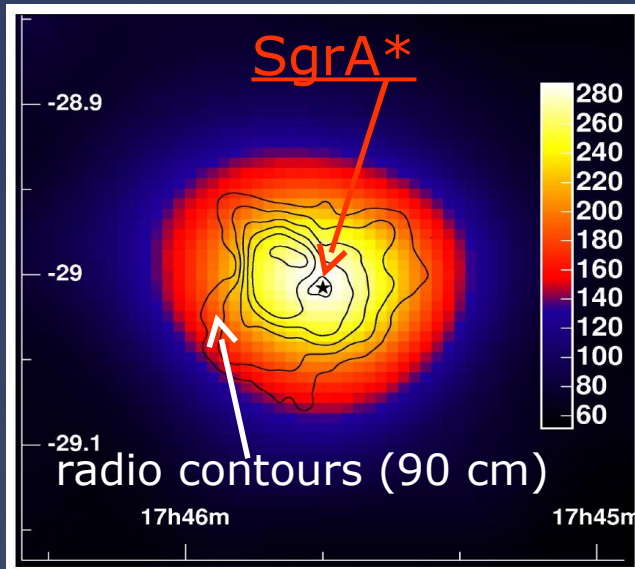
Other potential targets:

- LMC: $d=50\text{kpc}$, $\Phi(\text{LMC})/\Phi(\text{GC}) \sim 4 \times 10^{-8}$
- Coma: $d=120\text{Mpc}$, $\Phi(\text{Coma})/\Phi(\text{GC}) \sim 3 \times 10^{-4}$



The Galactic Centre: HESS J1745-290

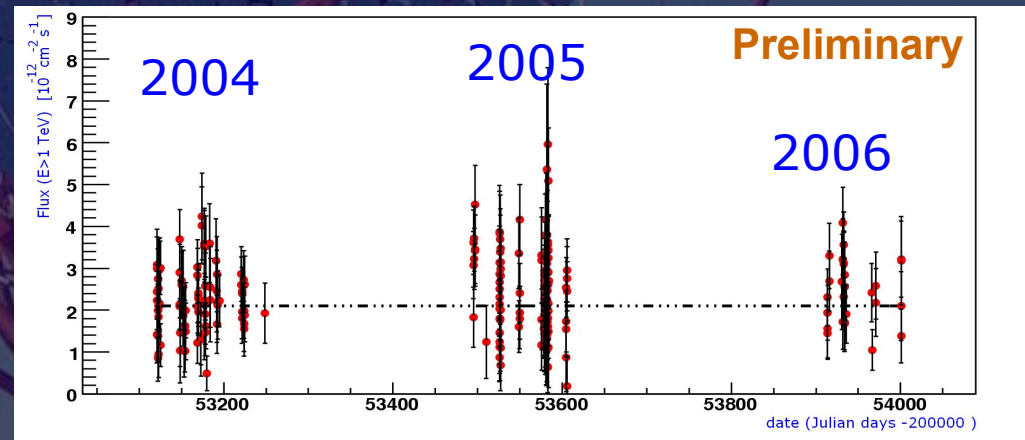
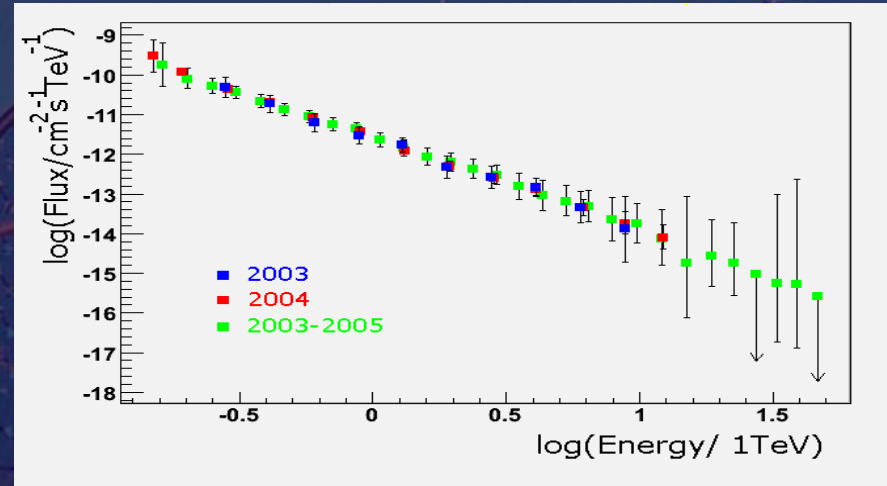
- ~ 100 h of data taking 2003 → 2005
- excess ~ 60σ
- compatible with a point-like source



Position relative to SgrA*

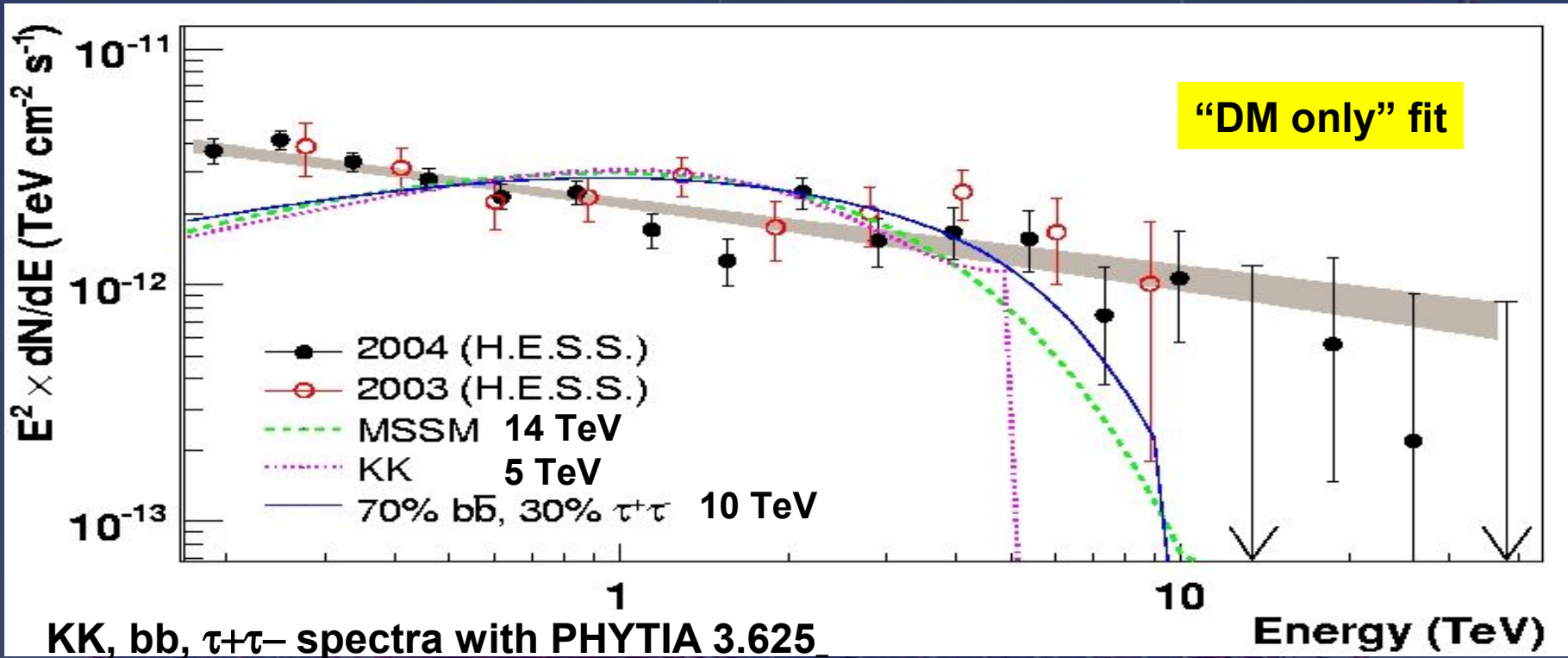
$$\delta\theta = 5'' \pm 10'' \text{ (stat)} \pm 20'' \text{ (syst)}$$

compatible with SgrA* or the
centre of SgrA East SNR



- constant flux: **1 γ /minute**
- no significant fluctuation (10 mn → 1 year)
- flare sensitivity: 2.5 (6hours) → 0.75 (1month)
- **no significant periodicity** (28mn → 1year)

HESS J1745-290: spectral constraints

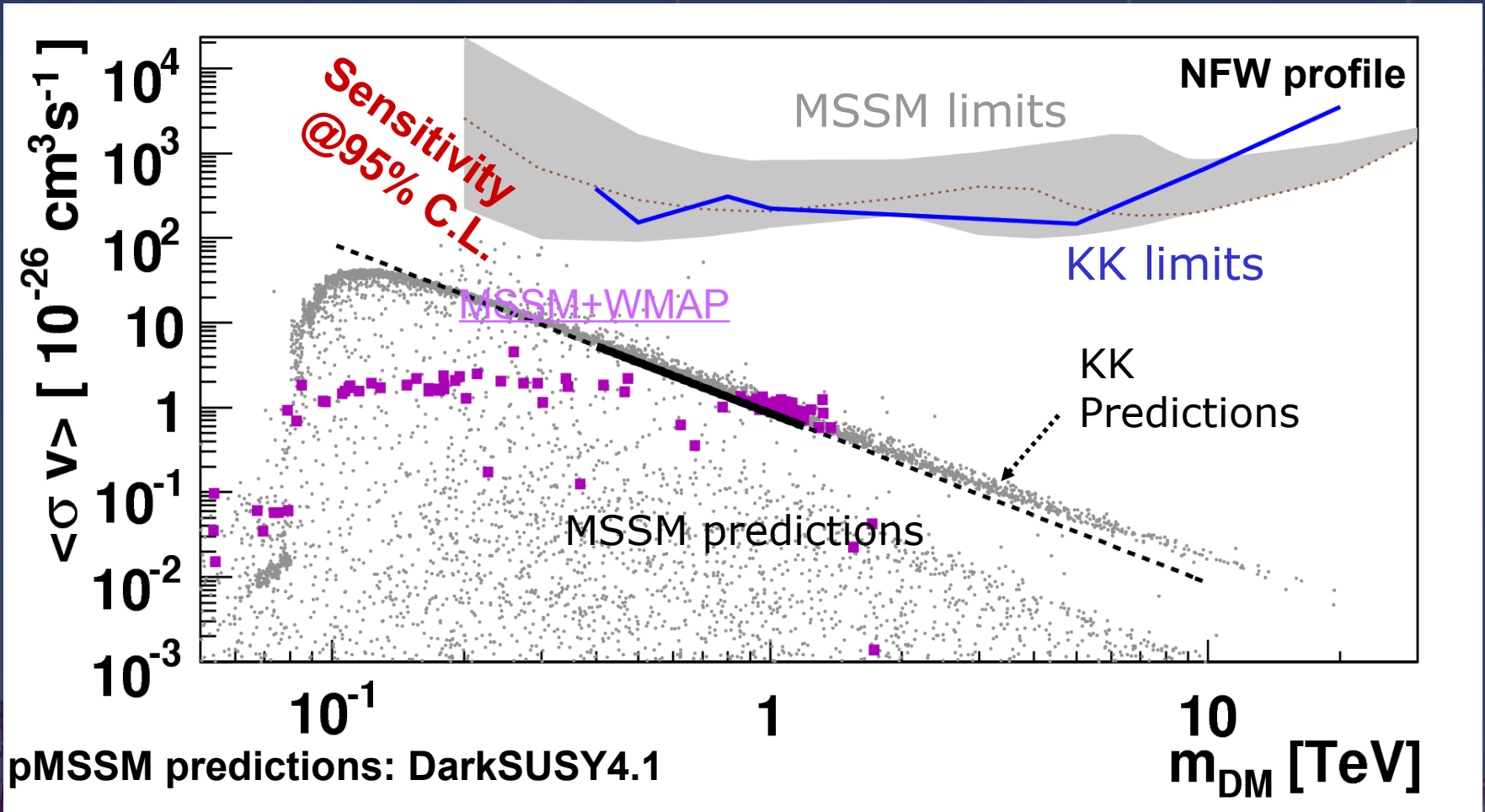


2004 data :

- Power-law spectrum : $\Gamma = 2.29 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.15$
- Exponential cut-off limit : $E_{\text{cut}} > 6\text{TeV}$ (95% C.L.)

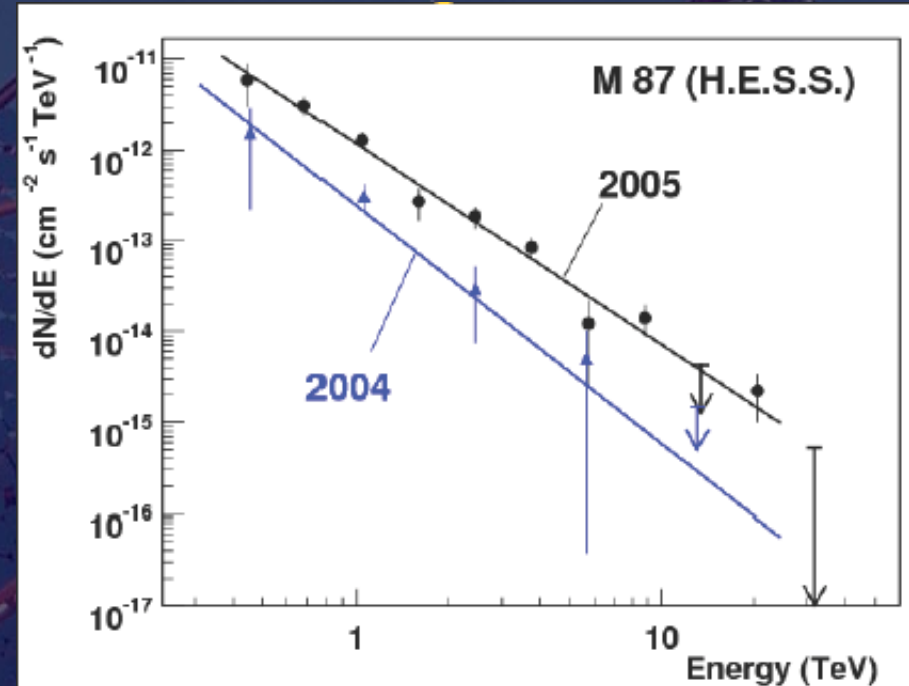
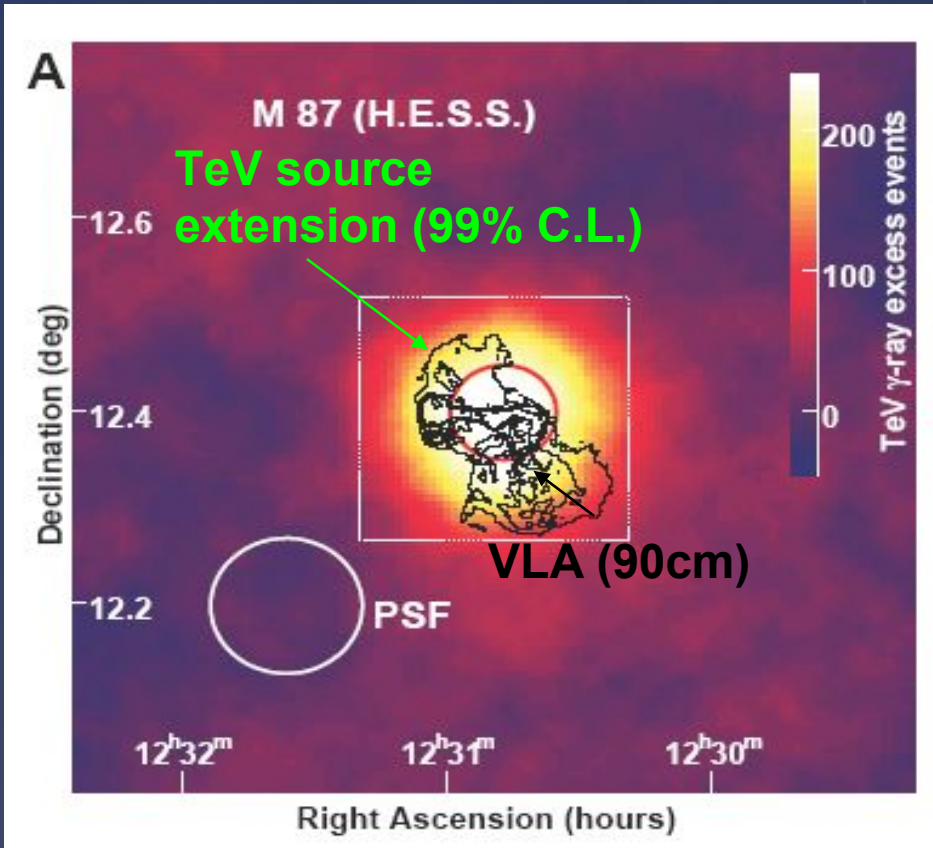
⇒ Heavy WIMPs required, not favored by theory
⇒ Low energy data not well fitted

HESS J1745-290: exclusion plots



- MSSM limit : $\langle\sigma v\rangle \leq (1-10) 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- KK limit : $\langle\sigma v\rangle \leq 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$

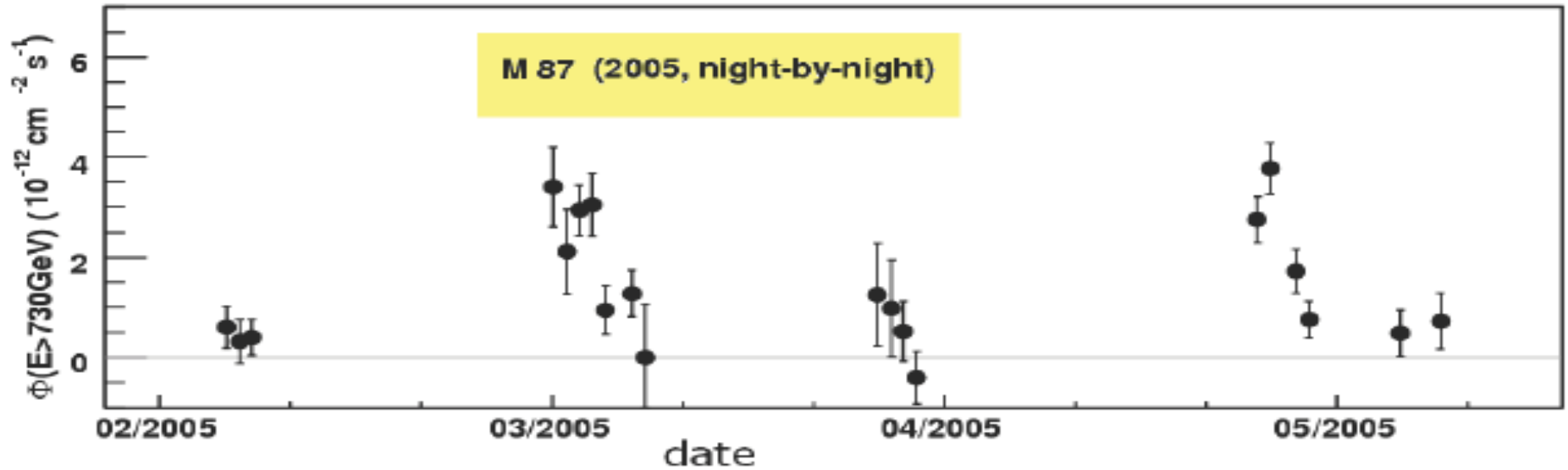
A TeV signal from M87 (Virgo cluster)



- ☐ Active galaxy, black hole $3.2 \times 10^{-9} M_{\text{sun}}$
- ☐ Distance: 16.3 Mpc
- ☐ Jet axis 20-40 deg. from line of sight
- ☐ Detected by HEGRA (2003)

- 13σ detection in 89h (2003-2006)
- Point-like source: $< 3'$ (99% C.L.)
- Power law spectrum:
 $\Gamma = 2.22 \pm 0.25$ (2005)
 $\Gamma = 2.62 \pm 0.35$ (2004)
- Temporal variability

Variability of the TeV signal from M87



- Long term variability ~ 1 year (3.2σ)
- Short term variability ~ 2 days (4σ)
- Emission region size $< \sim 50 R_s \Rightarrow$ production site: black hole?

Dark matter predictions:

- $m\chi = 1$ TeV, MSSM, $\chi\chi \rightarrow WW$

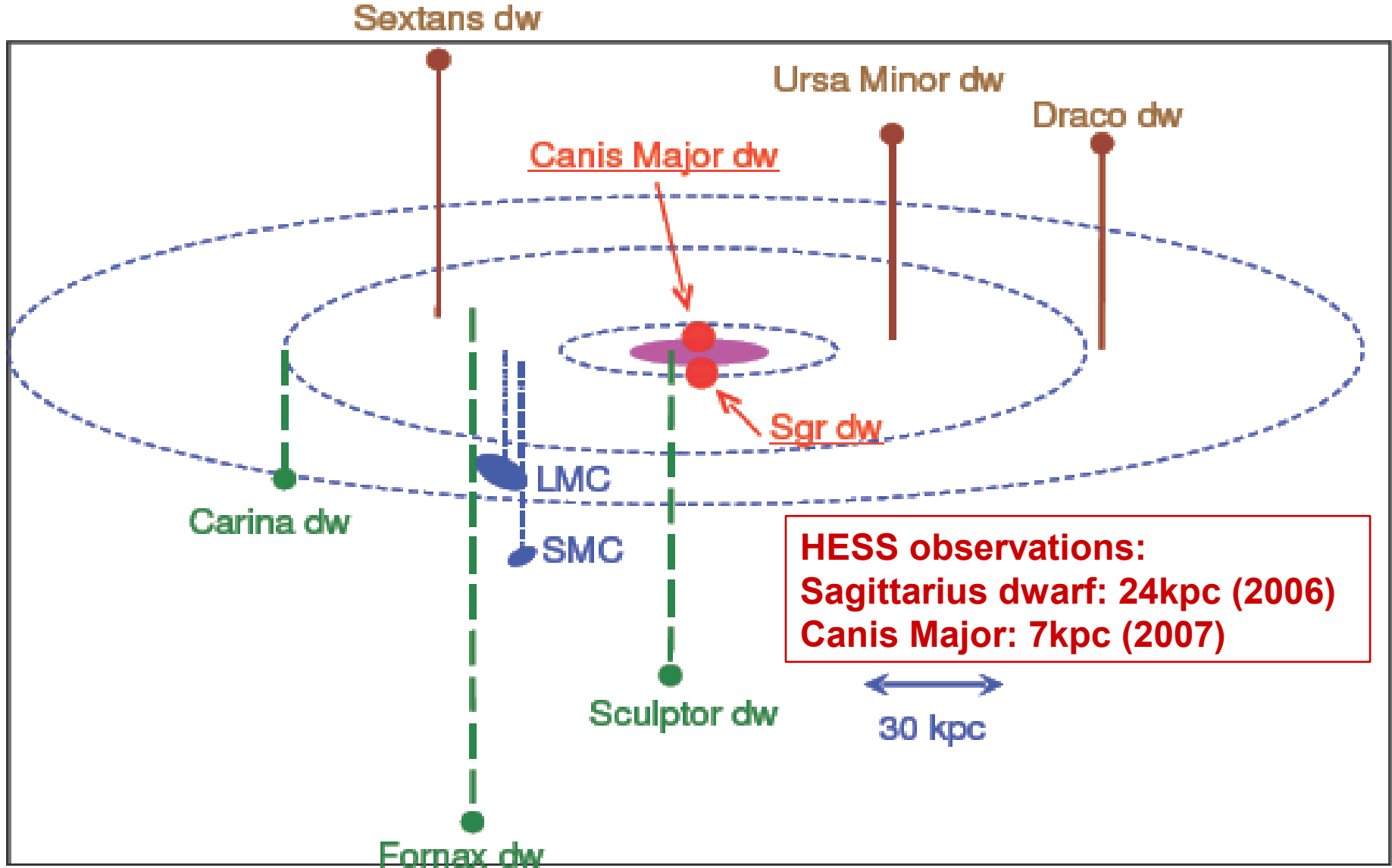
with Moore profile:

$$\Phi(>730 \text{ GeV}) \sim 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

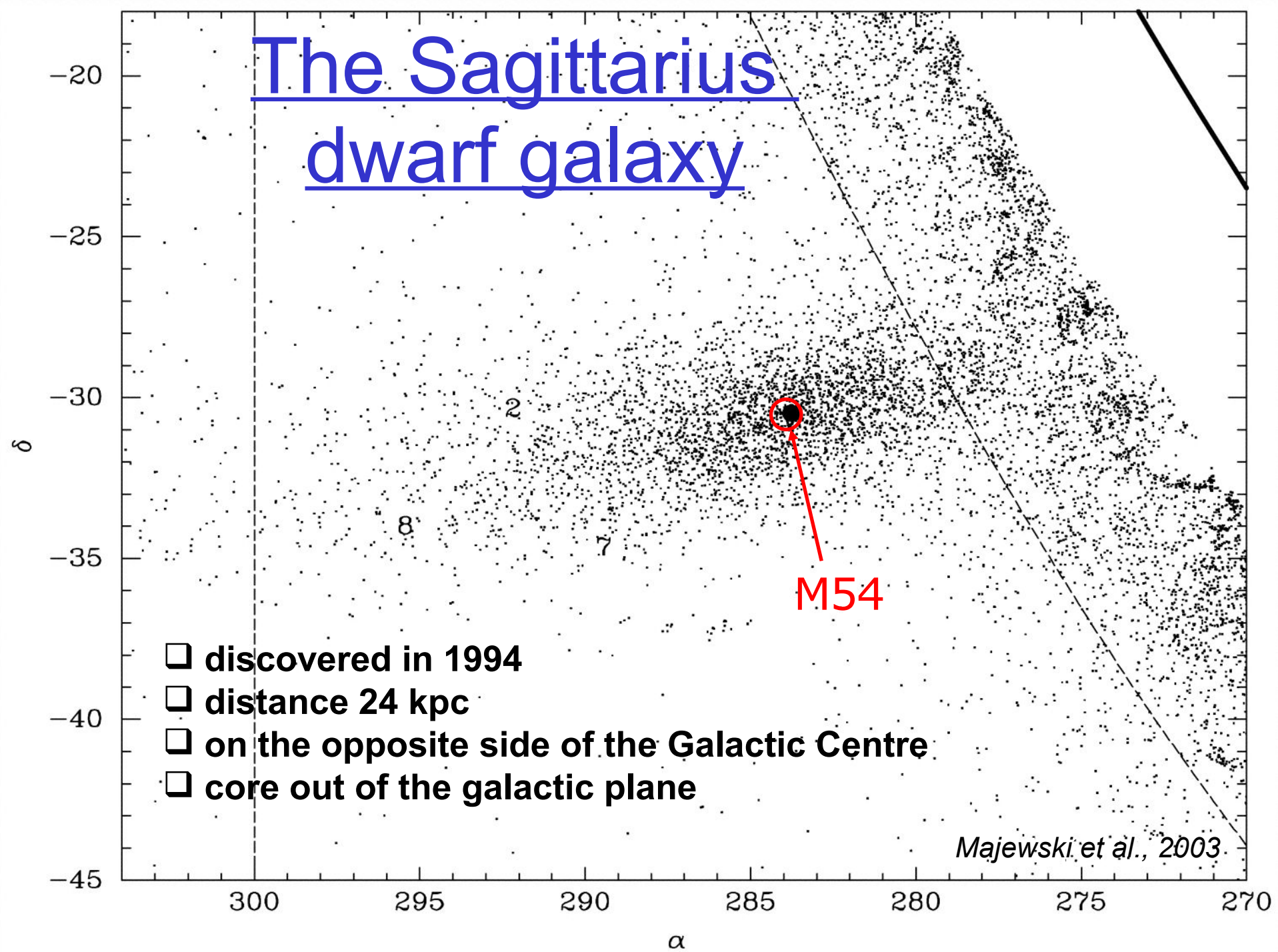
- 1000 times lower than observed...

Short term and long term variability exclude the whole signal to be of Dark Matter origin

Satellite galaxies of the Milky Way



The Sagittarius dwarf galaxy

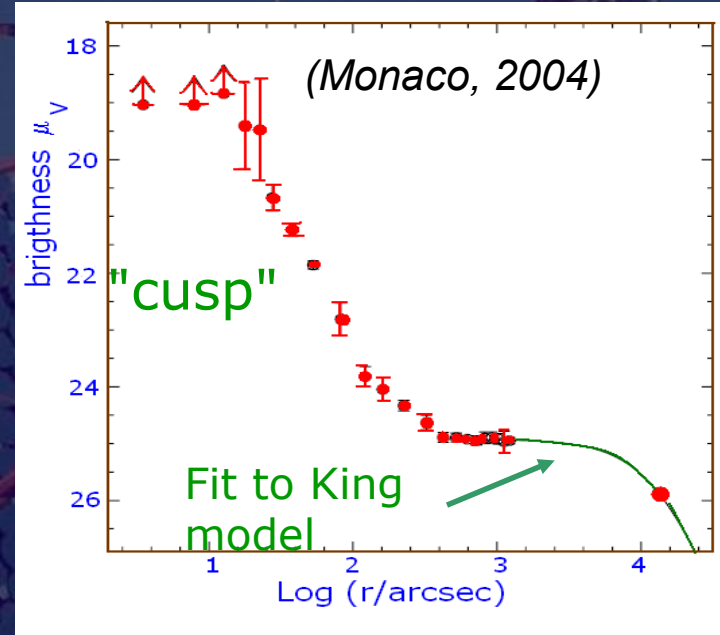


The Sagittarius dwarf galaxy

- Spheroidal galaxy with nucleus
- Coincidence in position with the globular cluster M54
- Tidally distorted
- $M/L > 50$ in outer part of galaxy

2 components in the luminous profile

- compact component : «cusp»
 - core size : $r_c = 1.5$ pc
 - fit to density $\rho \propto r^{-\alpha} \Rightarrow \alpha = 2.68$
too large for a black hole ($\alpha = 1.75$)
- large scale component :
King model $r_K = 1.6$ kpc



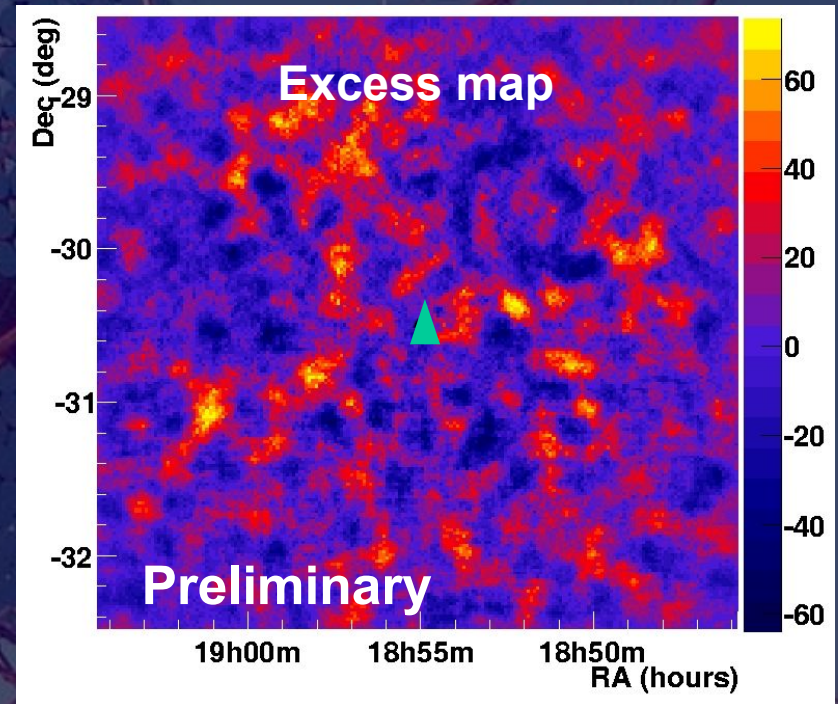
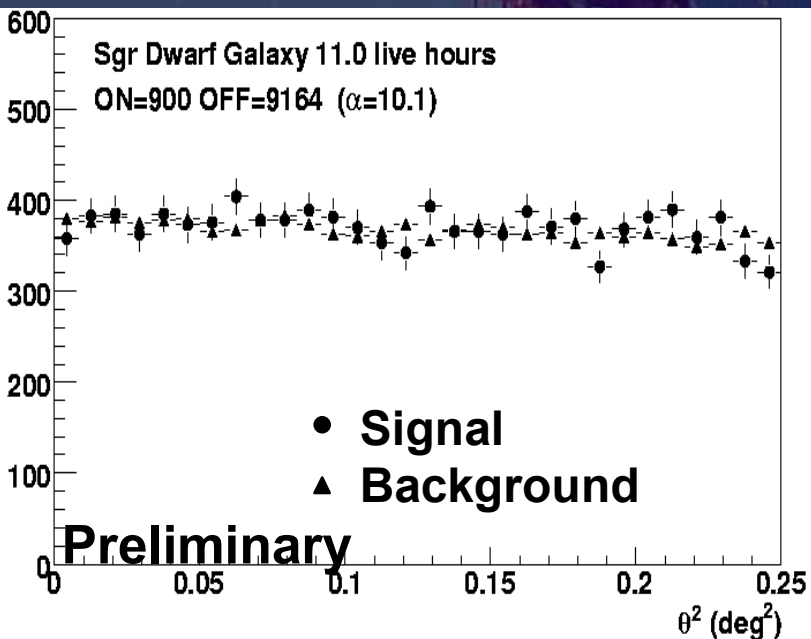
- Velocity dispersion roughly constant over scales of degrees:
 - Central value $(11.4 \text{ km/s})^2$
 - Recent measurement: $(8 \text{ km/s})^2$ (Saggia 2005)

The signal is expected to come from the region of 1.5 pc
 \Rightarrow much smaller than the H.E.S.S. PSF : search for a point-like signal

Sagittarius dwarf: data analysis

- Target position : RA = 18h54m40s Dec = -30d27m05s (J2000)
- Centre of the globular cluster M54

- 25 runs after data selection in 2006
- Mean zenith observation angle : 19°
- 11 live hours after quality checks
- Combined (Hillas+Model) analysis



**No significant γ excess
at the target position**

Limits on the γ -ray flux from Sagittarius dwarf and sensitivity calculation

- No significant γ -ray excess at the target position

⇒ 95% C.L. upper limit on the number of γ -ray above 250 GeV
(Feldman & Cousins method)

with $N_{\text{ON}} = 437$ $N_{\text{OFF}} = 4270$ $\alpha=10.1$

$$N_{\gamma}^{95\% \text{ C.L.}} = 56.$$

- Given the acceptance of the detector for Sgr dwarf observations :

$$\Phi_{\gamma}(E_{\gamma} > 250 \text{ GeV}) < 3.6 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ (95\% C.L.)}$$

- The 95% C.L. limit on N_{γ} provides a 95% C.L. limit on the velocity-weighted cross section for a given DM profile

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\min}^{95\% \text{ C.L.}} = \frac{4\pi}{T_{\text{obs}}} \frac{m_{\text{DM}}^2}{\bar{J}(\Delta\Omega)\Delta\Omega} \frac{N_{\gamma}^{95\% \text{ C.L.}}}{\int_0^{m_{\text{DM}}} A_{\text{eff}}(E_{\gamma}) \frac{dN_{\gamma}}{dE_{\gamma}} dE_{\gamma}}$$

Modelling Sagittarius dwarf dark matter halo

Start from Jeans equation:

Method based on Evans, et al., 2004

Observables:

ρ luminous density,
 $\langle v_r^2 \rangle$ radial velocity dispersion

Unknown: M total mass, β anisotropy

2 widely different types of DM halo profiles:

- **NFW profile:** fit of (A, r_s) parameters to $\langle v_r^2 \rangle$ observed on Draco...
 - **cored profile:** $\langle v_r^2 \rangle$ assumed to be flat, (8 km/s)² (Saggia et al. 2005)
- ⇒ analytic resolution of the Jeans equation

$$M(r) = r \langle v_r^2 \rangle \left(\frac{d \ln \rho}{d \ln r} + \frac{d \ln \langle v_r^2 \rangle}{d \ln r} - 2\beta \right)$$

Assume anisotropy $\beta = 0$

- solve for $M(r)$ to get ρ_{dark}

OR

- fit DM halo parameters to $\langle v_r^2 \rangle$

$$\rho_{\text{NFW}}(r) = \frac{A}{r(r + r_s)^2}$$

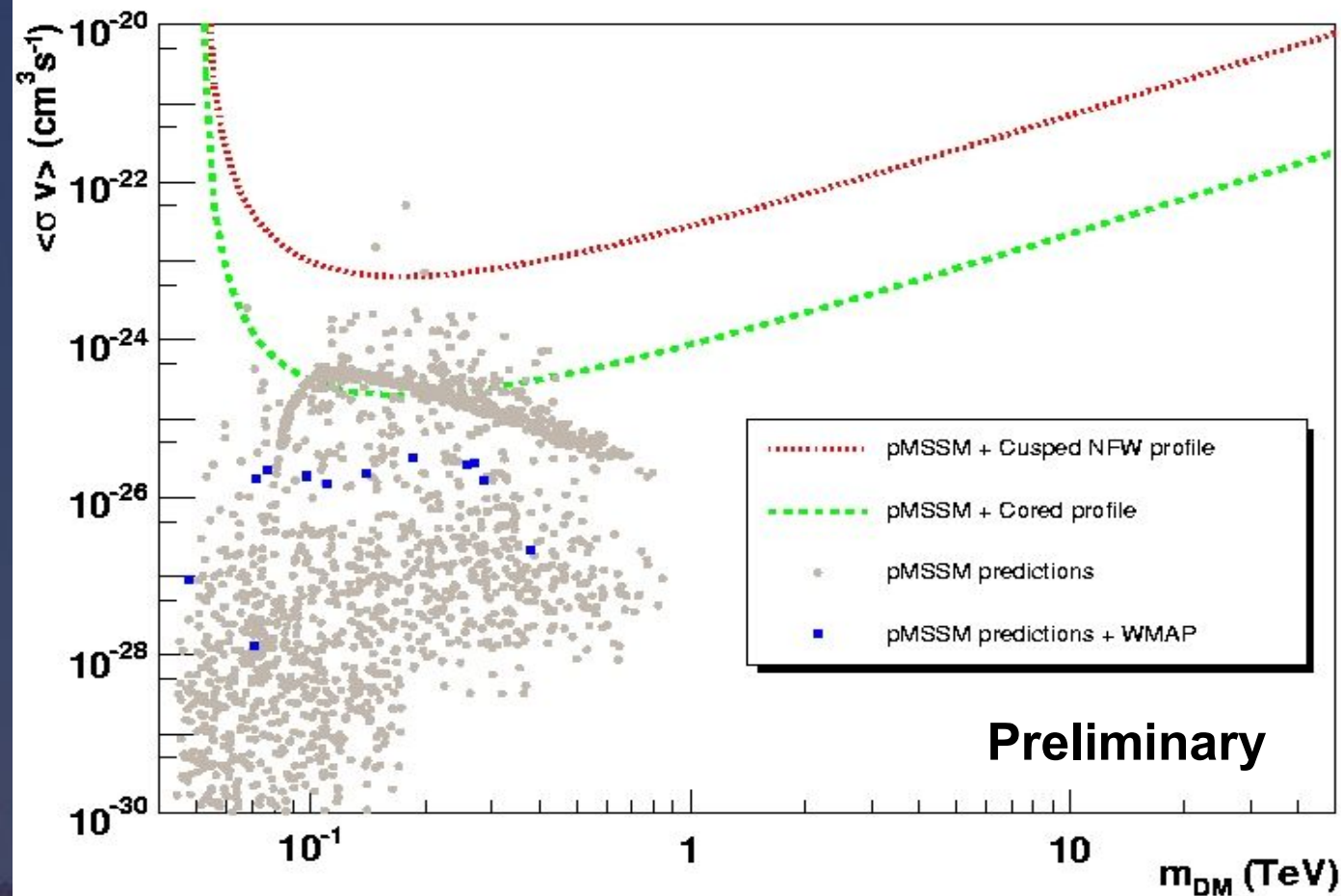
$$\rho_{\text{core}}(r) = \frac{v_a^2}{4\pi G} \frac{3r_c^2 + r^2}{(r_c^2 + r^2)^2}$$

Halo type	Parameters	\bar{J} ($10^{24} \text{GeV}^2 \text{cm}^{-5}$)	Fraction of signal in $\Delta\Omega = 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{sr}$
Cusped NFW halo	$r_s = 0.2 \text{ kpc}$ $A = 3.3 \times 10^7 M_\odot$	2.2	93.6%
Cored halo	$r_c = 1.5 \text{ pc}$ $v_a = 13.4 \text{ km s}^{-1}$	75.0	99.9%

Table 1

Constraints on neutralino dark matter: exclusion plots

Sensitivity curve at 95% C.L.

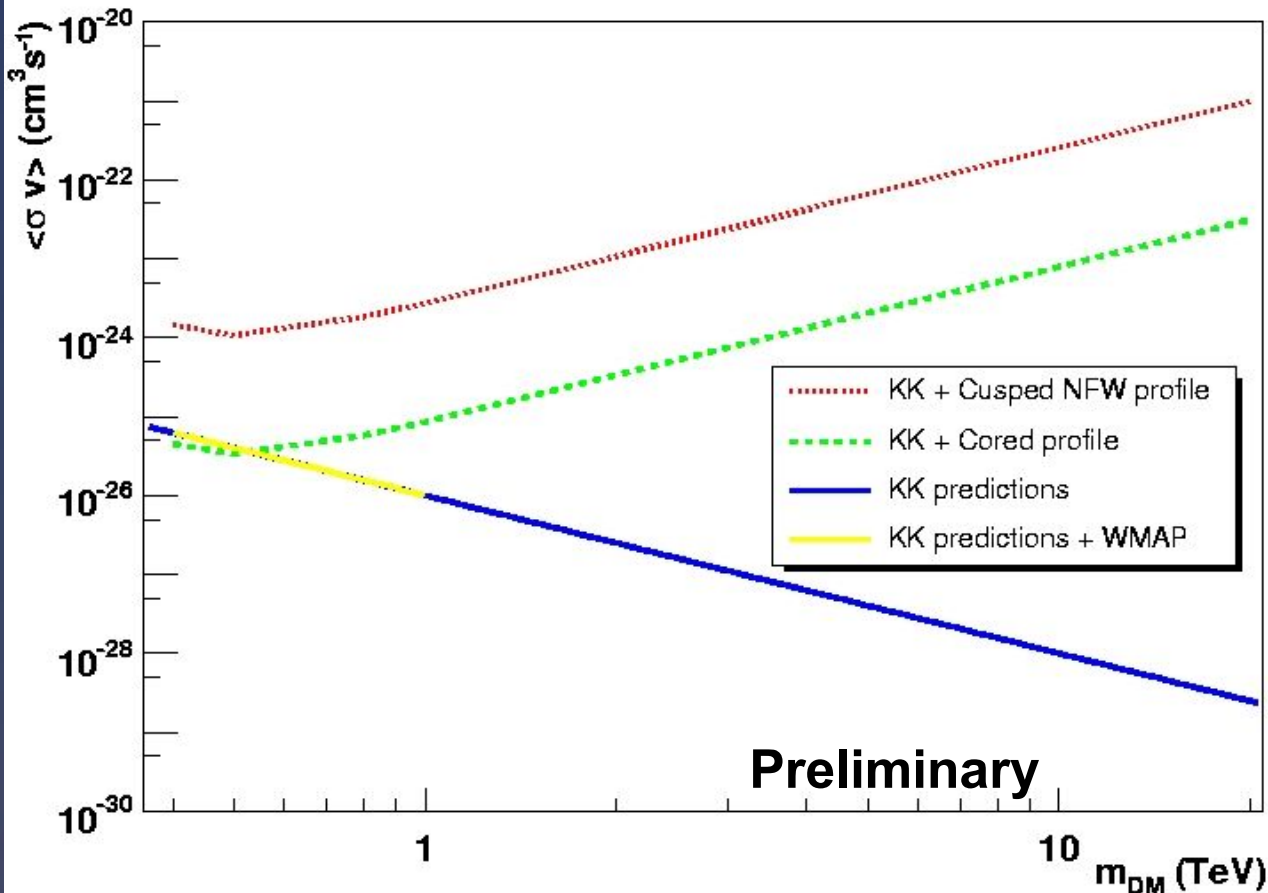


- pMSSM models obtained with DarkSUSY4.1
⇒ large scan of the parameter space

Some pMSSM models with higgsino-like neutralino excluded in the case of the cored profile

Constraints on Kaluza-Klein dark matter: exclusion plots

Sensitivity curve at 95% C.L.



- Kaluza-Klein model predictions : analytic

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \frac{95g_1^4}{324\pi m_{\text{LKP}}^2}$$

$$\simeq \frac{1.7 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}}{(m_{\text{LKP}}/\text{TeV})^2}$$

Some KK models providing a relic density compatible with WMAP constraints are excluded in the case of the cored profile

Conclusions

□ Present dark matter searches:

- **Galactic Centre:** strong signal, probably not dark matter origin
- **M87:** strong variable signal, dark matter origin excluded
- **Sagittarius dwarf:** strong constraints for a cored profile
 - on pMSSM models : $\langle\sigma v\rangle \sim 2 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^3\text{s}^{-1}$
 - on Kaluza-Klein models : $\langle\sigma v\rangle \sim 4 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3\text{s}^{-1}$

□ Future searches with H.E.S.S. 2 (2008)

- large telescope: $\text{Ø}28\text{m}$
- lower energy threshold: $\sim 20 \text{ GeV}$

⇒ Access to large part of MSSM models

