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Astro-connections to lepton flavor and universality violation

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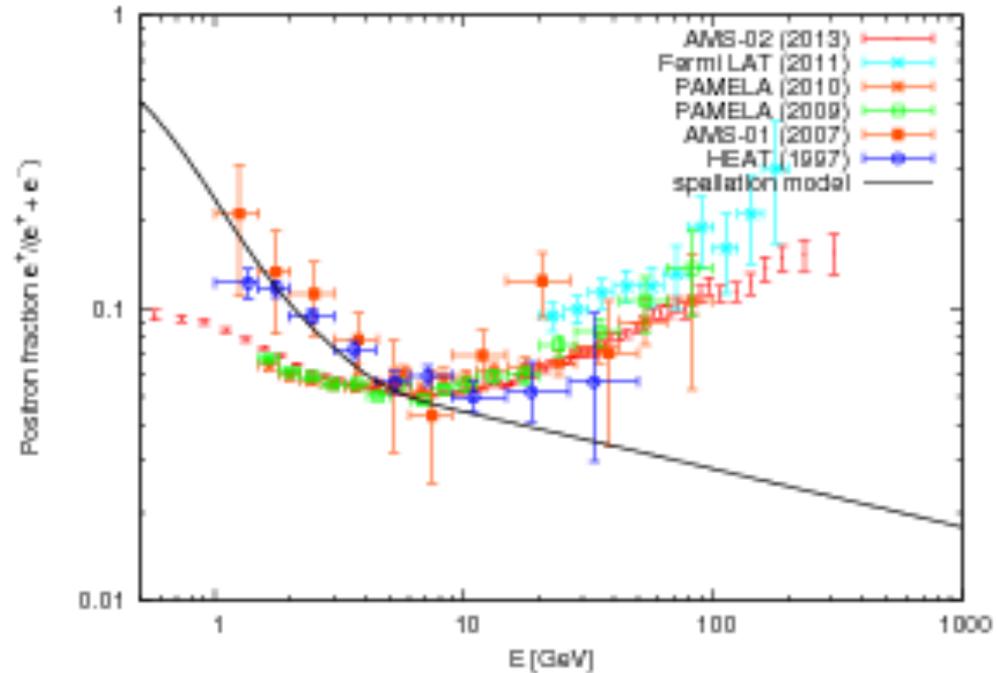
Most “famous” charged leptons
in Astrophysics:
Anomalous HE Positrons

Rising Positron Fraction with energy cut-off at Dark Matter particle mass, envisioned ~30 years ago, as smoking gun for Dark Matter searches

[Tylka 1989, Turner and Wilczek, 1990]

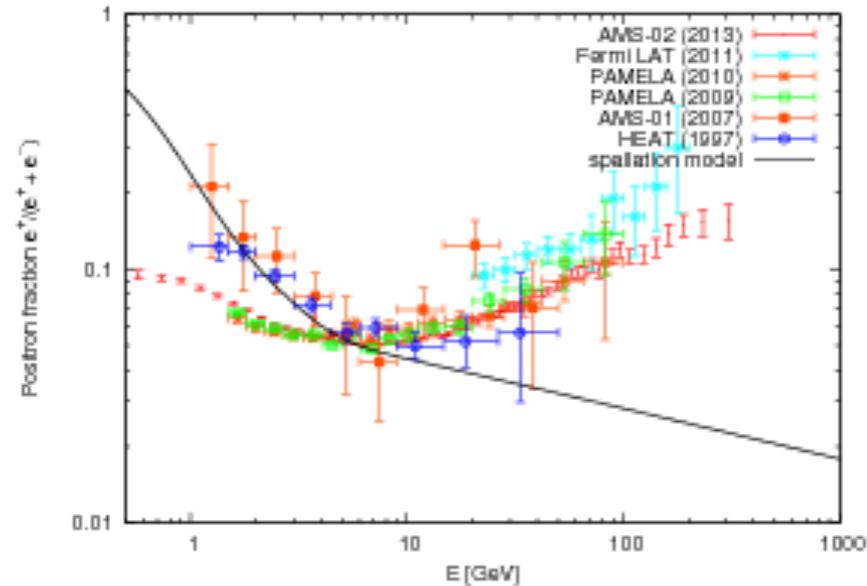
First hint of a rising positron fraction >20 year old!

- ✓ **HEAT 1997**
- ✓ **Pamela 2009**
- ✓ **Fermi 2010**
- ✓ **AMS 2013, 2015**



Decreasing positron fraction assumes
exclusive secondary origin

[*Physics: $D(E) \sim E^\delta$*]

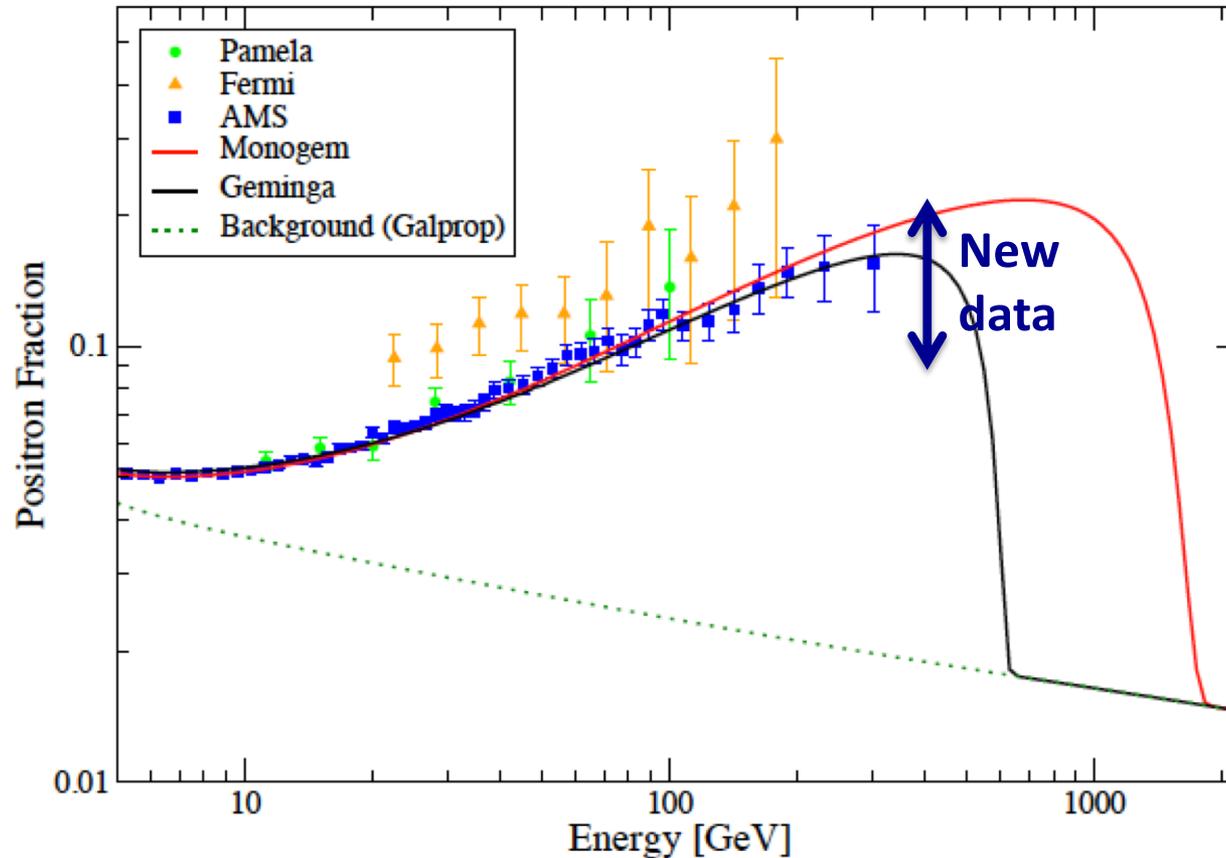


Hence **rising** fraction = **excess**

Caveats:

- in-source secondary **reacceleration**
(**ruled out** by B/C)
- **primary** production (e.g. PSR)

PSRs work perfectly well



hardly any free parameter!

Cutoff, in fact, is **not** a smoking gun for DM!

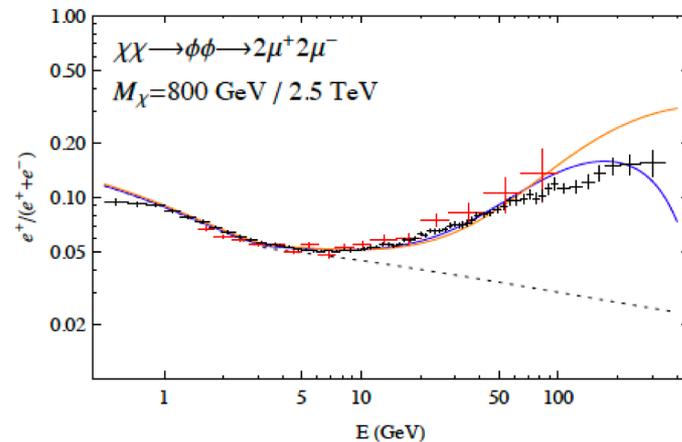
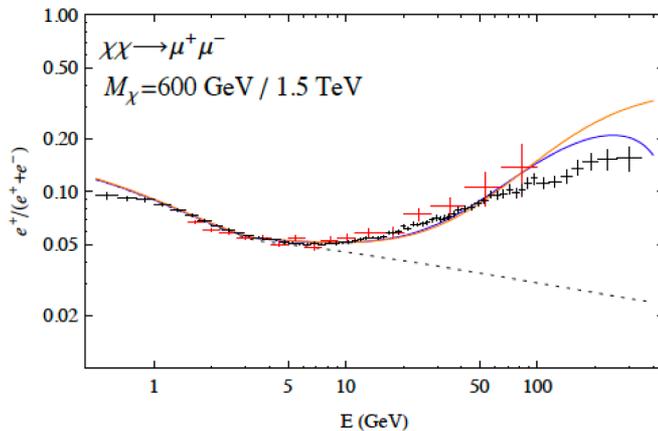
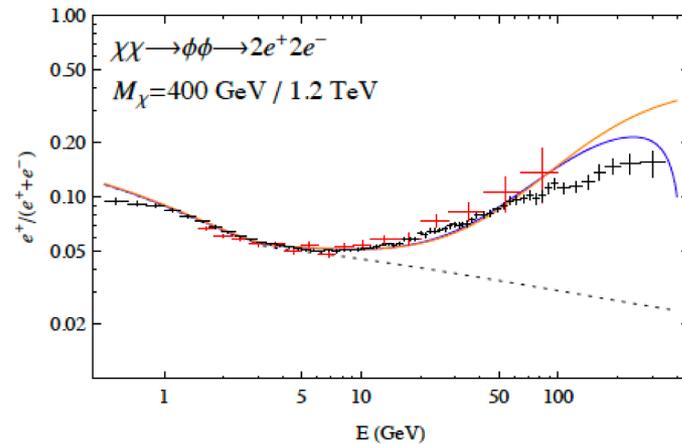
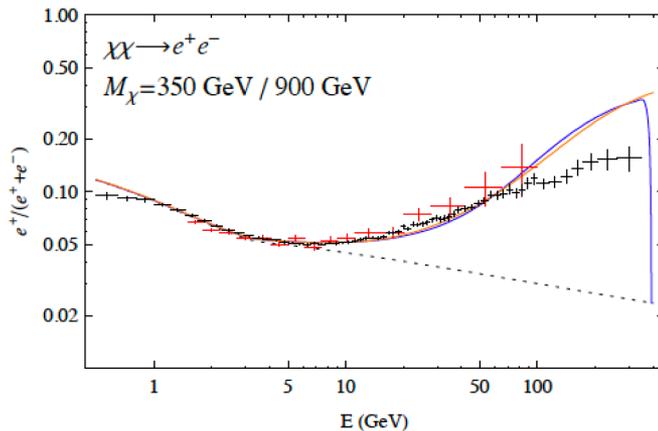
$$\frac{dE}{dt} = -bE^2 \quad \int_{\infty}^{E_{\max}} \frac{dE}{E^2} = -bT_{PSR} \quad E_{\max} = \frac{1}{bT_{PSR}}$$

Observing a **cutoff** will likely
help pinpointing **relevant PSR(s)**

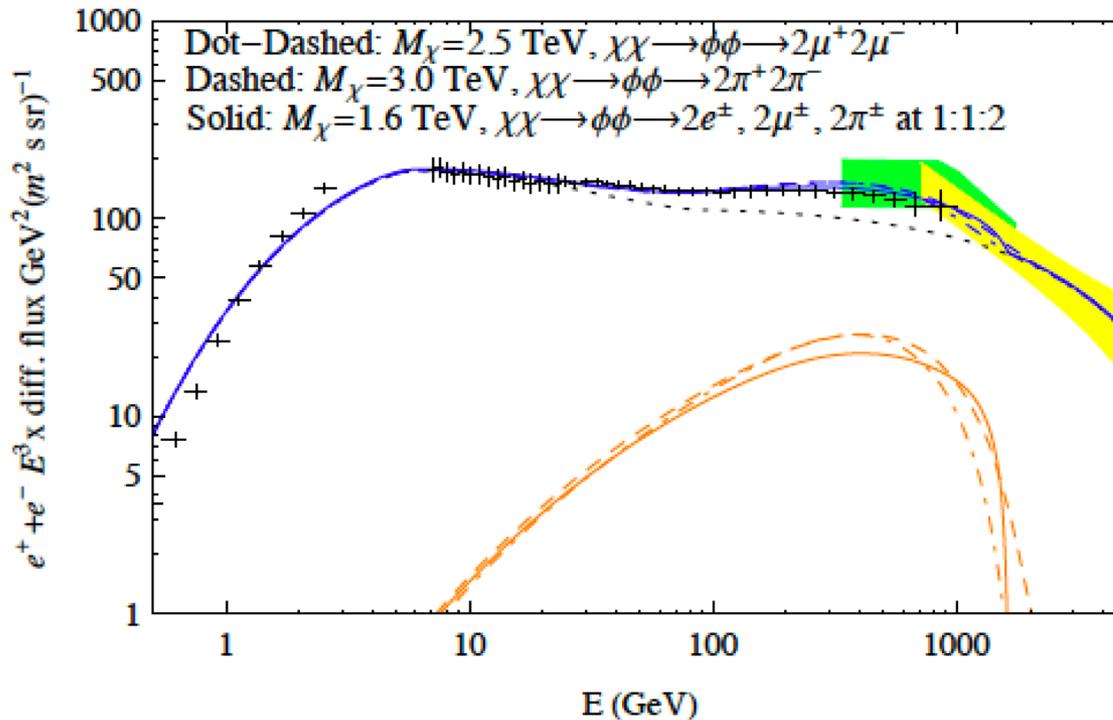
Known **PSR** OK

[new e.g. gamma-ray PSR also important, Gendeleev+Profumo 2010]

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While **AMS** continues to increase
statistics, a **new** high-impact
observational **result** appeared!



Moon (To Scale)

Geminga

PSR B0656+14

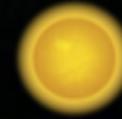




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demonstrate that these pulsars are indeed local sources of accelerated leptons, but the measured tera-electron volt emission profile constrains the diffusion of particles away from these sources to be much slower than previously assumed. **We demonstrate that the leptons emitted by these objects are therefore unlikely to be the origin of the excess positrons, which may have a more exotic origin.**



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The nature of dark matter remains elusive, but astronomers are now one step closer to the answer.

By Robert Naeye | Published: Thursday, November 16, 2017

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Pulsars out for positrons leaving dark matter

New modelling discounts a leading theory on anti-matter production
Andrew Masterson reports.

Sky-high observatory sheds light on origin of excess anti- matter

New study excludes nearby pulsars, points to dark matter as possible culprit

Chris Cesare, Miguel Mostafá, Gail McCormick
November 16, 2017

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — The High-Altitude Water Cherenkov (HAWC) Observatory in Mexico, built and operated by an international team that

from dark matter after all

My key **problem**: (while writing numerous papers on the dark matter interpretation) I have a **decade-old emotional attachment** to the **pulsar** interpretation, that **named names...**

Dissecting Pamela (and ATIC) with Occam's Razor: existing, well-known Pulsars naturally account for the "anomalous" Cosmic-Ray Electron and Positron Data

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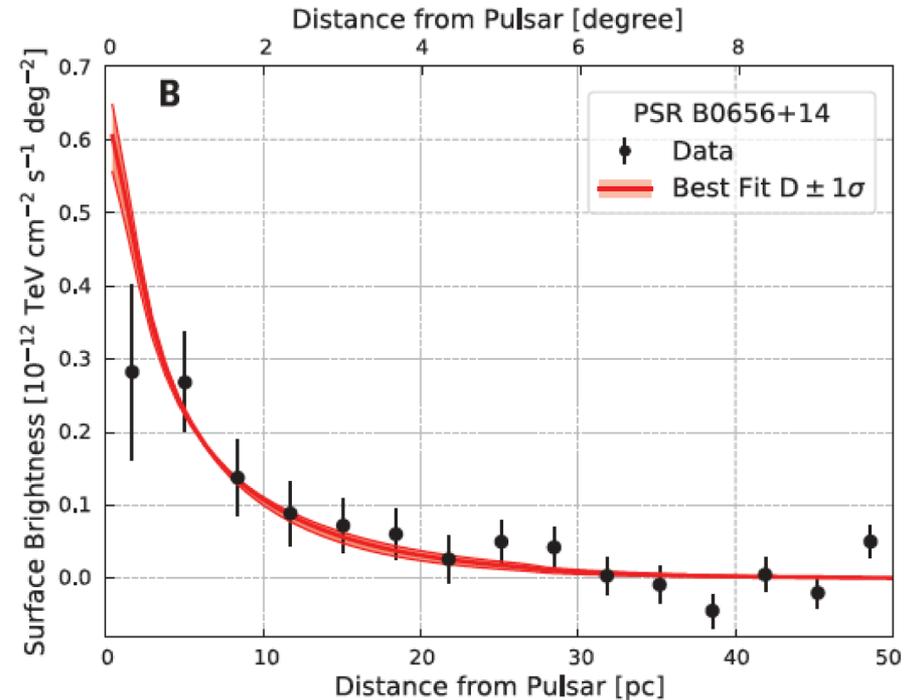
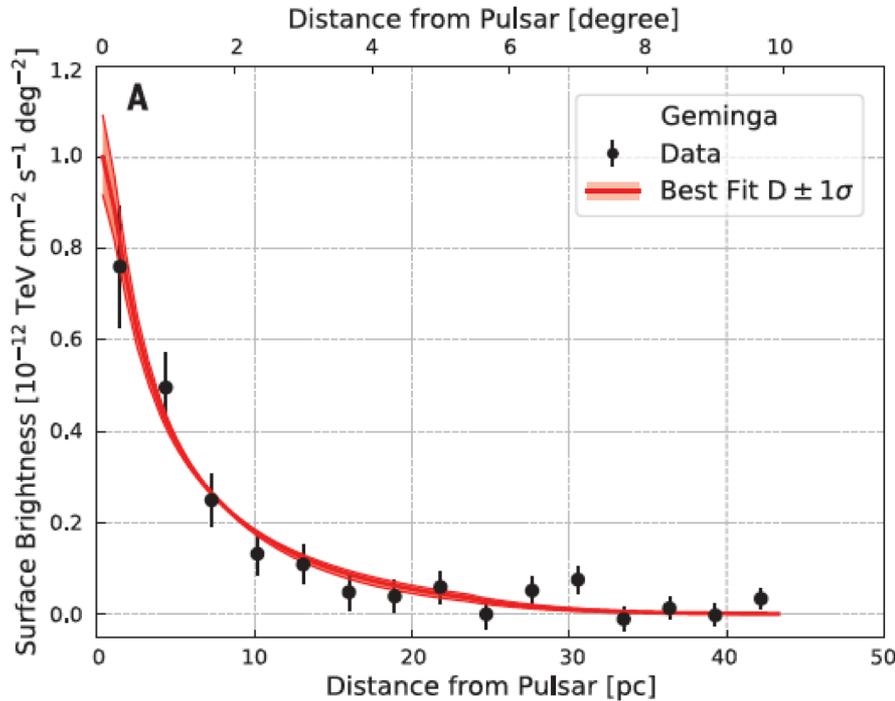
We argue that both the positron fraction measured by PAMELA and the peculiar spectral features reported in the total differential electron-positron flux measured by ATIC have a very natural explanation in electron-positron pairs produced by nearby pulsars. While this possibility was pointed

Name	Distance [kpc]	Age [yr]	\dot{E} [ergs/s]	E_{out} [ST]	E_{out} [CCY]	E_{out} [HR]	E_{out} [ZC]	$f_{e\pm}$	g
Geminga [J0633+1746]	0.16	3.42×10^5	3.2×10^{34}	0.360	0.344	0.013	0.053	0.005	0.70
Monogem [B0656+14]	0.29	1.11×10^5	3.8×10^{34}	0.084	0.456	0.004	0.372	0.015	0.14

simple theoretical models for estimating the energy output, the diffusion setup and the injection spectral index of electron-positron pairs, and by (2) considering all known pulsars (as given in the ATNF catalogue). It appears unlikely that a single pulsar be responsible for both the PAMELA result and for the ATIC excess, although two sources are enough to naturally explain both of the experimental results. The PAMELA data favor mature pulsars (age $\sim 2 \times 10^6$ yr), with a distance of 0.8-1 kpc, or a younger and closer source like Geminga or the SNR Loop I. The ATIC data require a larger (and marginally unlikely) energy output, and favor an origin associated to powerful, more distant (1-2 kpc) and younger (age $\sim 5 \times 10^5$ yr) pulsars. We list several candidate pulsars that can

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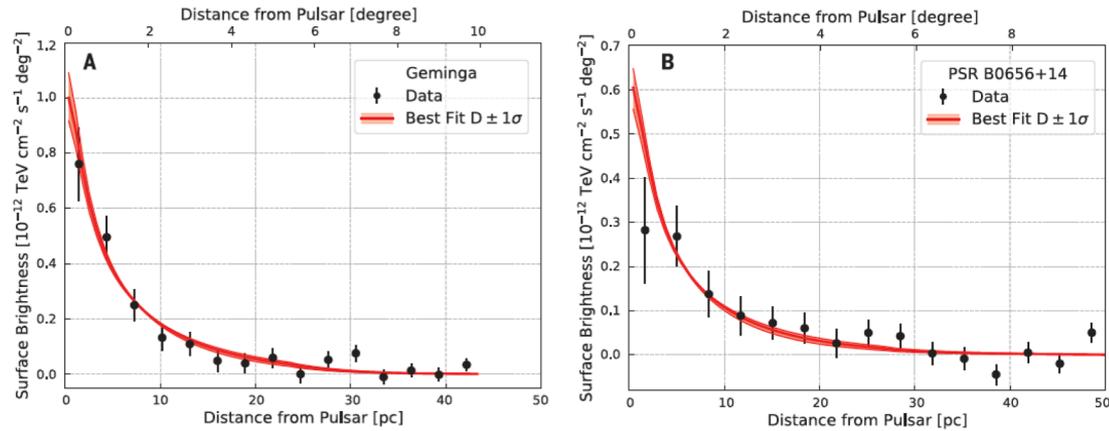
Key observational result: angular surface brightness



Gamma-ray energies as large as 20 TeV \rightarrow e^+e^- as energetic as **100 TeV**

100 TeV is deep in **KN regime** for starlight

\rightarrow only relevant photons: **CMB**



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$$E_{\gamma}^{\text{stars}} \sim 1 \text{ eV}, \quad \gamma_e = \frac{10 \text{ TeV}}{m_e} \sim 2 \times 10^7, \quad E_{\gamma} \gg \frac{m_e}{\gamma_e} \sim 0.03 \text{ eV}$$

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\rightarrow only relevant photons: CMB

\rightarrow Mean free path \gg 10 pc

\rightarrow Direct measurement of e+e- diffusion!

Inferred **diffusion** coefficients:

	Geminga	PSR B0656+14
D_{100} (diffusion coefficient of 100-TeV electrons from joint fit of two PWNe) ($\times 10^{27}$ square centimeters per second)	4.5 ± 1.2	4.5 ± 1.2
D_{100} (diffusion coefficient of 100-TeV electrons from individual fit of PWN) ($\times 10^{27}$ square centimeters per second)	$3.2^{+1.4}_{-1.0}$	$15^{+4.9}_{-9}$

...versus **ISM** diffusion coefficient (GALPROP, AMS-02...)

$$D_{100}^{\text{ISM}} \simeq 3.86 \times 10^{28} \left(\frac{E_e}{\text{GeV}} \right)^{0.33} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s} \rightarrow 1,720 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$$

...thus the inferred diffusion coefficient is **100-500 times larger** than the ISM effective value!

(notice also the injected **power** in electrons is consistent with being a fraction of O(0.1) of spin-down power)

What does this mean?

Go back to electron **transport**

Transport model: diffusive (**Brownian**) motion + energy losses

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot (D(\vec{x}, E) \vec{\nabla} \psi) + \frac{\partial}{\partial E} (P(E) \psi) + Q$$

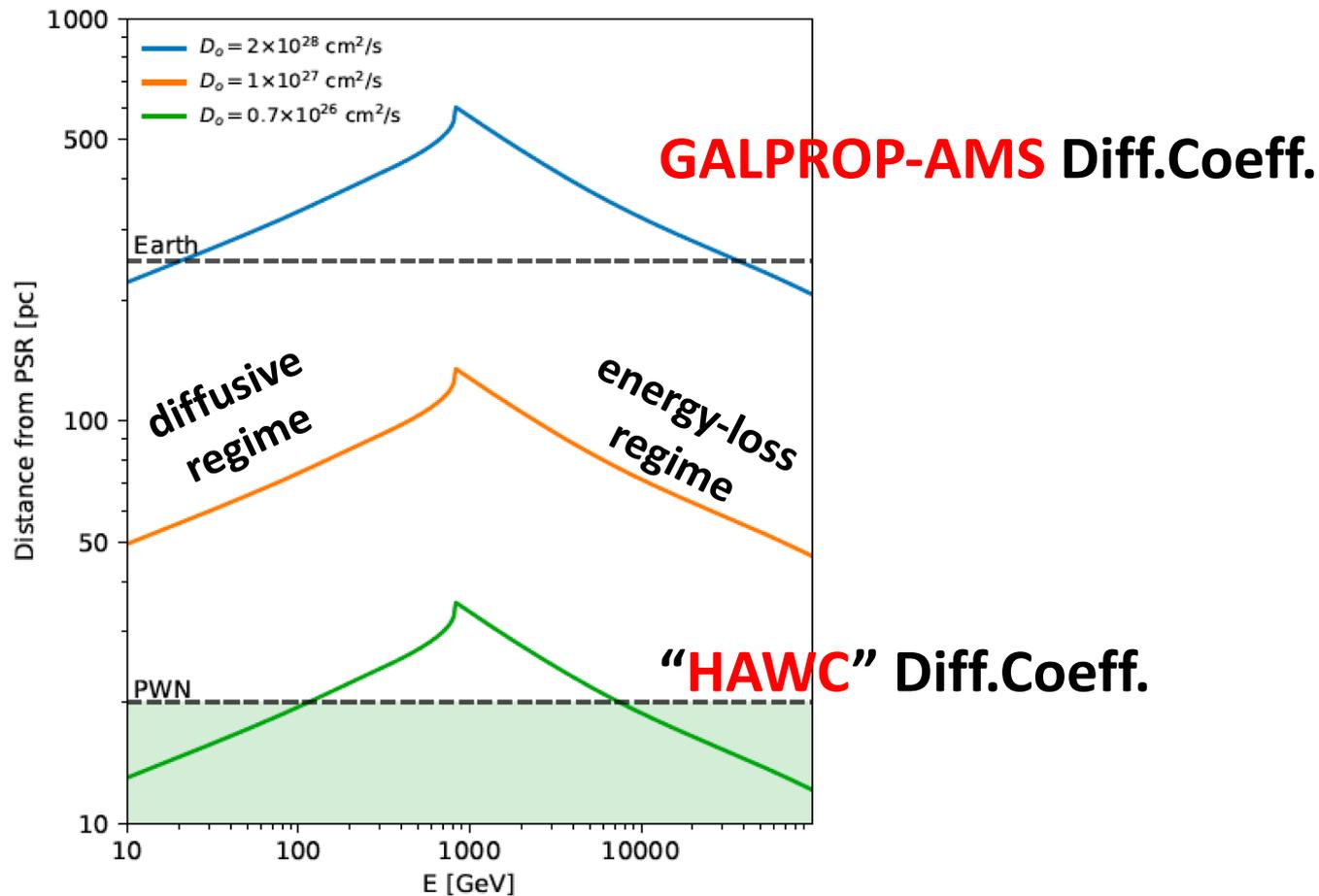
This PDE has a known **Green** function

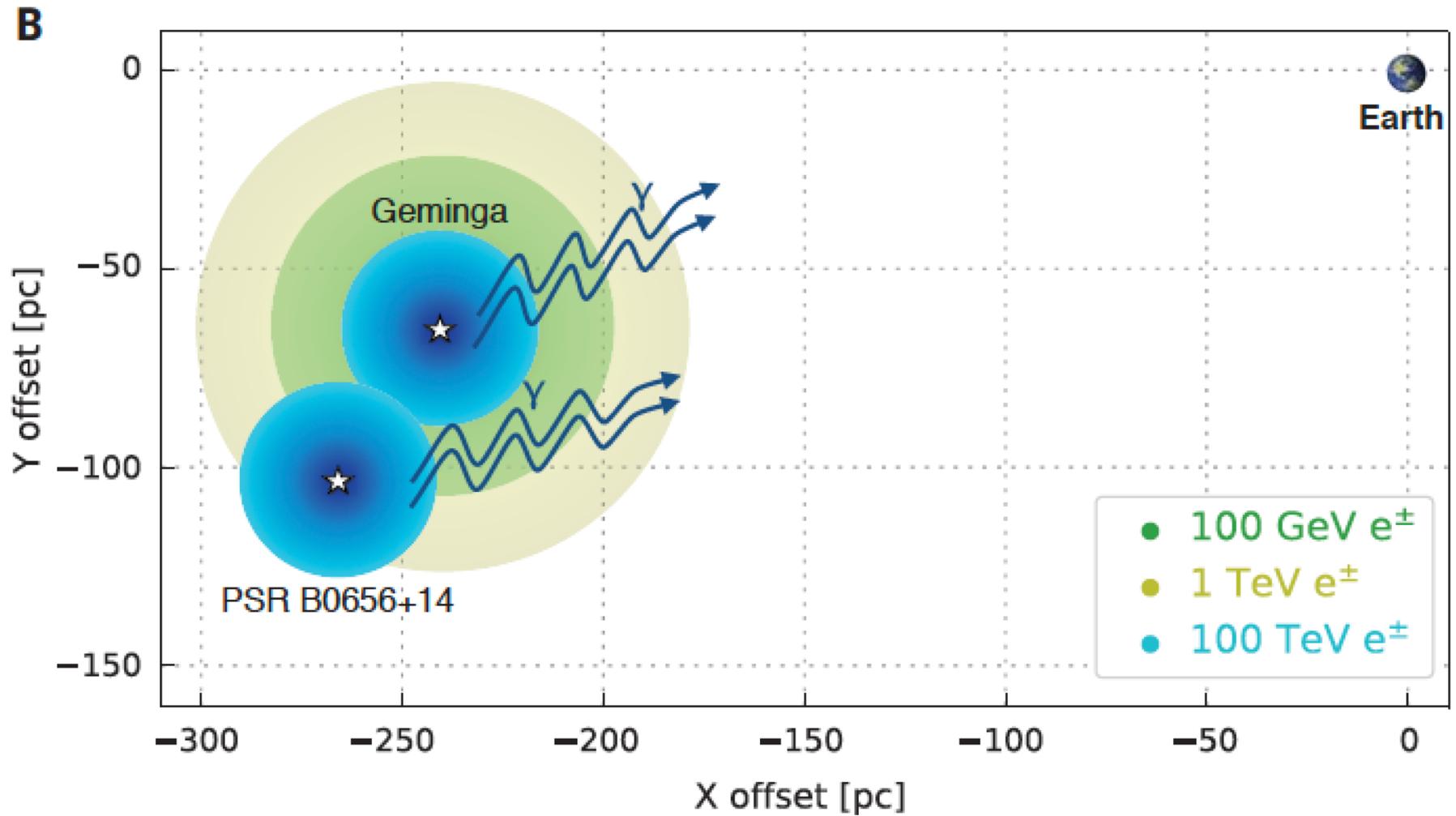
$$\psi(t, r, E) = \frac{N_o(E_o) P(E_o)}{\pi^{3/2} P(E) r_{\text{diff}}^3} e^{-r^2/r_{\text{diff}}^2}, \quad r_{\text{diff}}^2 = \int_E^{E_o} D(x)/P(x) dx.$$

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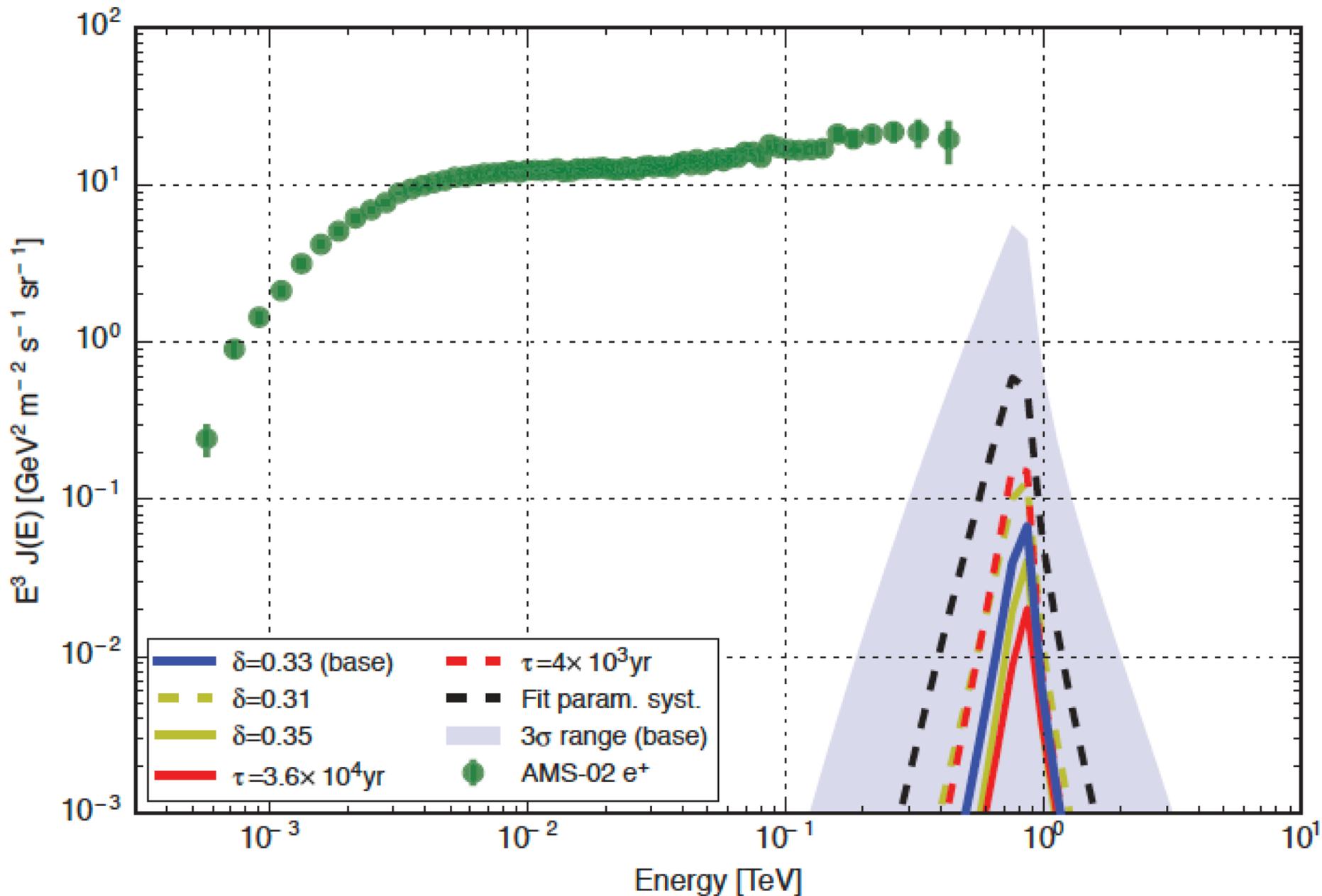
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What is the **diffusion radius** for relevant electron energies?





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Geminga and PSR B0656+14 are the oldest pulsars for which a tera-electron volt nebula has so far been detected. Under our assumption of isotropic and homogeneous diffusion, the dominant source of the positron flux above 10 GeV cannot be either Geminga or PSR B0656+14. Under the unlikely situation that the field is nearly

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Pulsars out for positron count, leaving dark matter in the frame

New modelling discounts a leading theory on antimatter particles hitting Earth. Andrew Masterson reports.

Is this conclusion **plausible?**

Very probably **NO**.

Two **key** arguments:

1. **Lifetime** of TeV electrons is **short**: $\tau_e \sim 3 \times 10^5 \text{ yr} \times (1 \text{ TeV}/E_e)$.

We observe directly CR electrons with energies >20 TeV

$$d \lesssim \sqrt{D\tau_e}$$

for HAWC Diff.Coeff., this means a source within 10-20 pc.

Such a source however **doesn't exist!**

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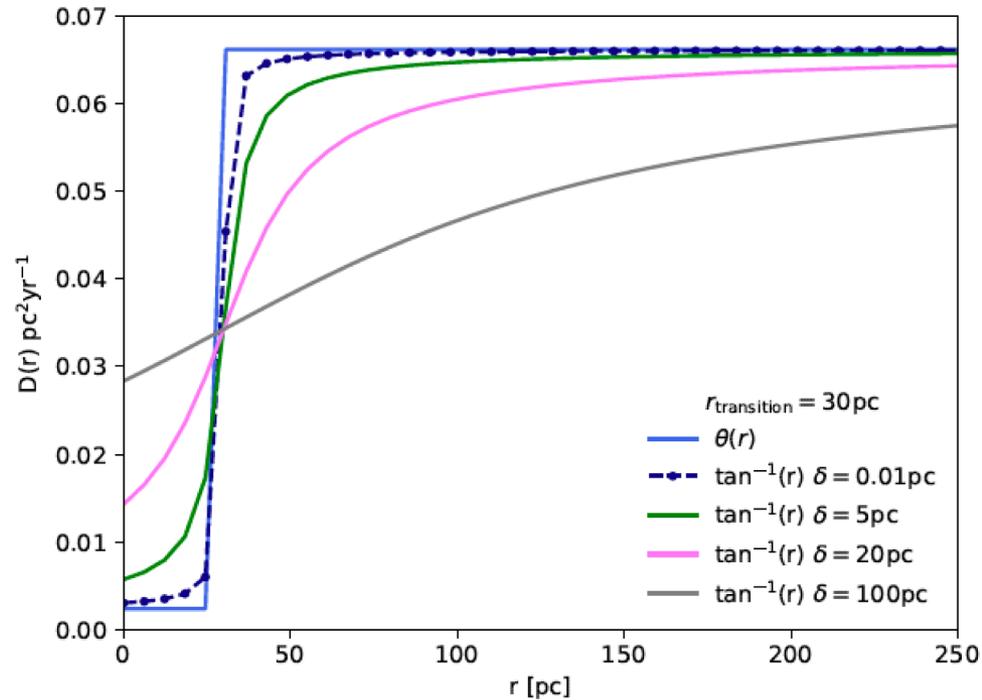
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Two key arguments:

2. Models of CR emission **predict inefficient diffusion near sources**

Alfven waves generated by cosmic rays induce a net force that suppresses diffusion near the sites of cosmic-ray acceleration and, more generally, where cosmic-ray fluxes are larger

What happens to the local electron flux if indeed **diffusion** is **not homogeneous**?



$$D_{\theta}(r) = D_1 \theta(r_T - r) + D_2 \theta(r - r_T) \qquad D_T(r) = D_1 + \frac{(D_2 - D_1)}{\pi} \left(\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{r - r_T}{\delta} \right) + \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

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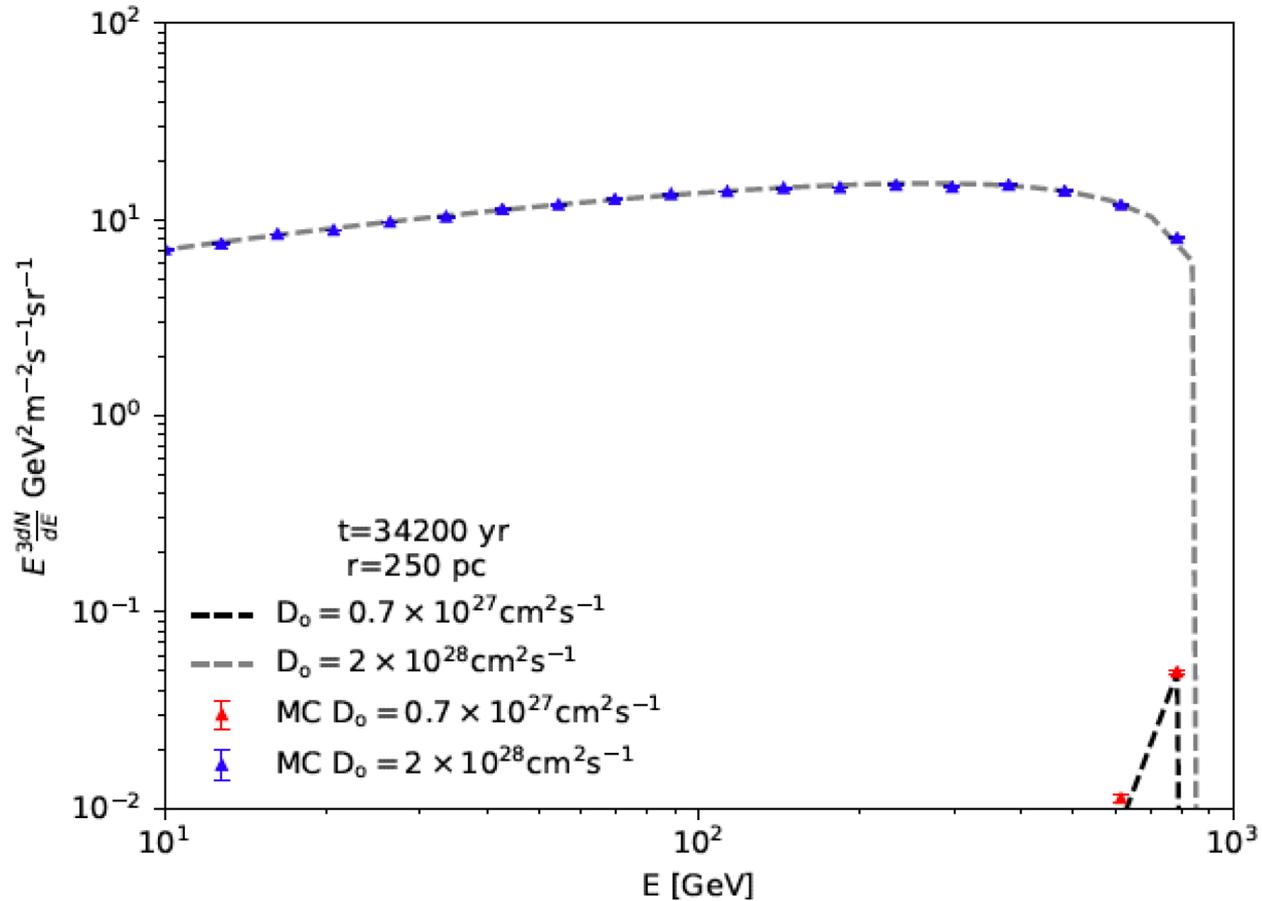
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$$

$$f(t, x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx' f_o(x') \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}} e^{-\frac{(x-x')^2}{4Dt}} \right\}$$

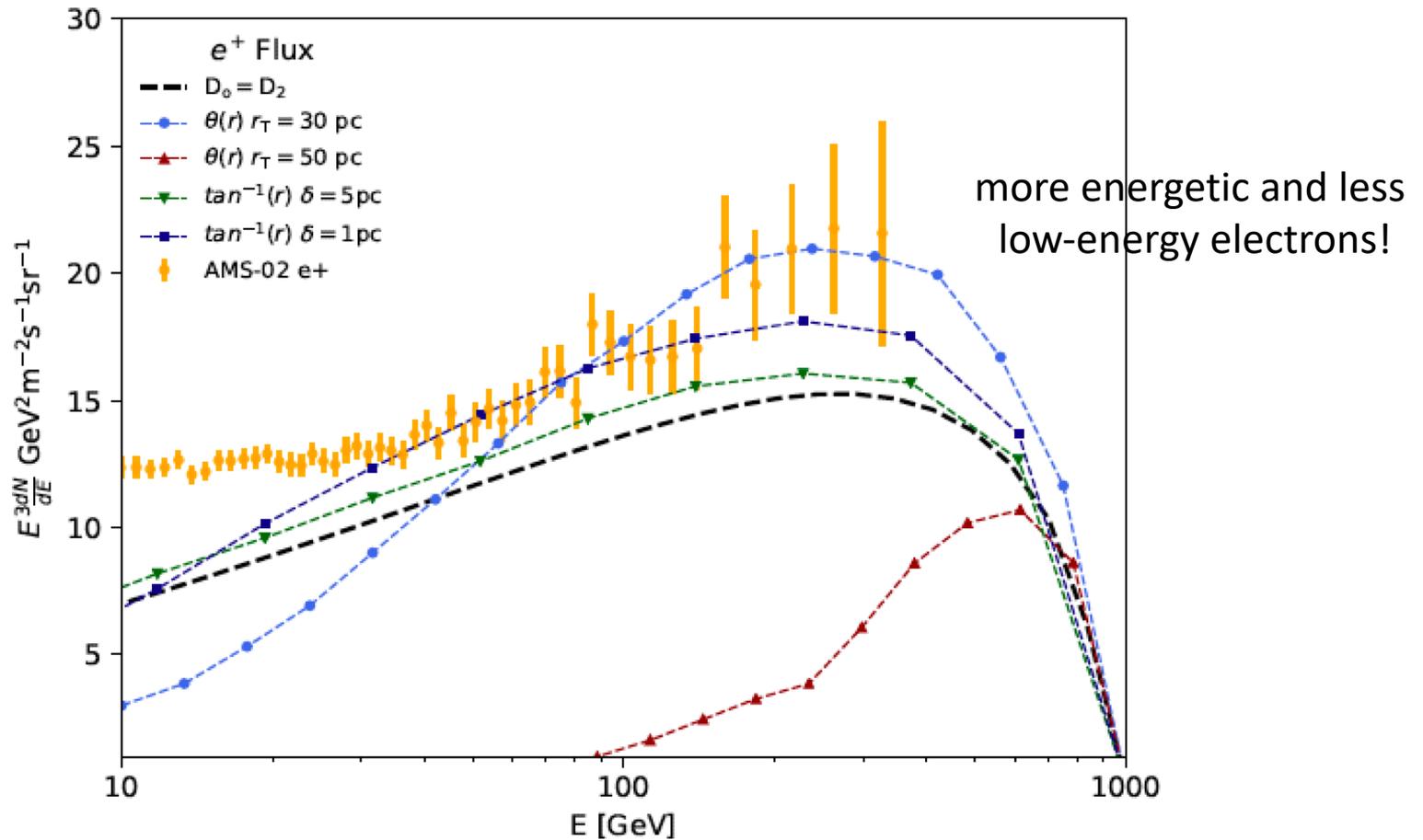
$$x = x_o + \eta \sqrt{2D\Delta t},$$

$$\Delta t \rightarrow \Delta u(E) \quad \Delta u(E_i) = \int_{E_i + \Delta E}^{E_i} \frac{D(x)}{P(x)} dx,$$

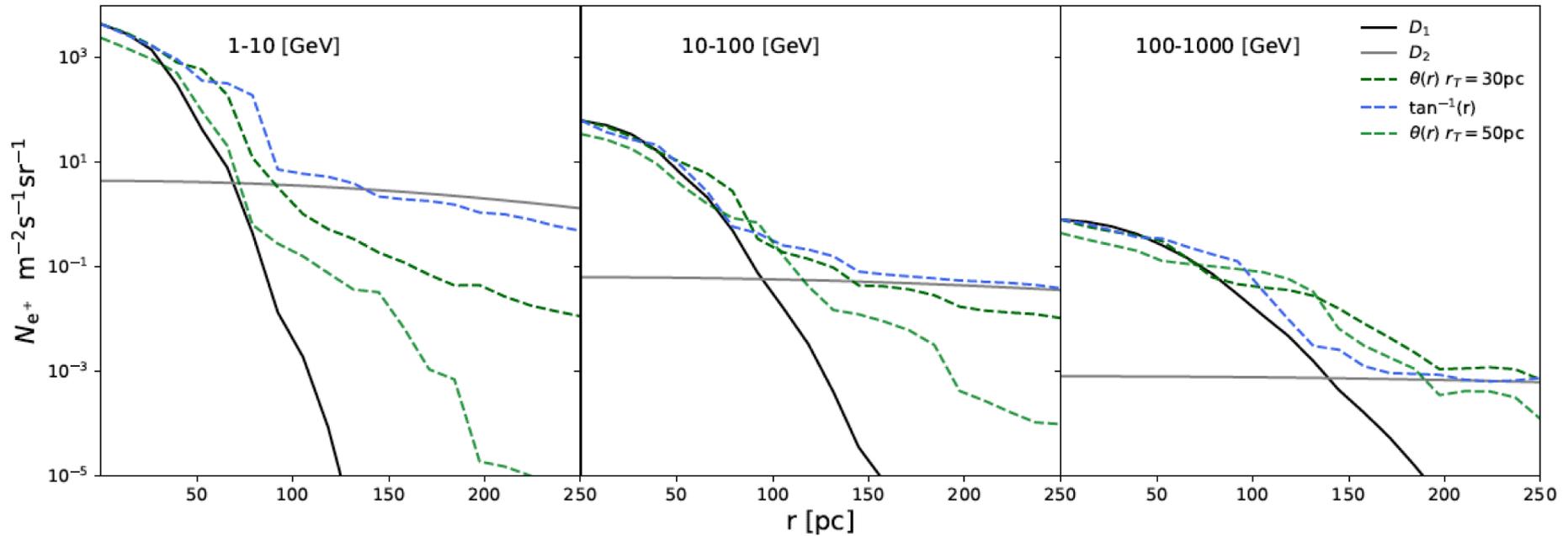
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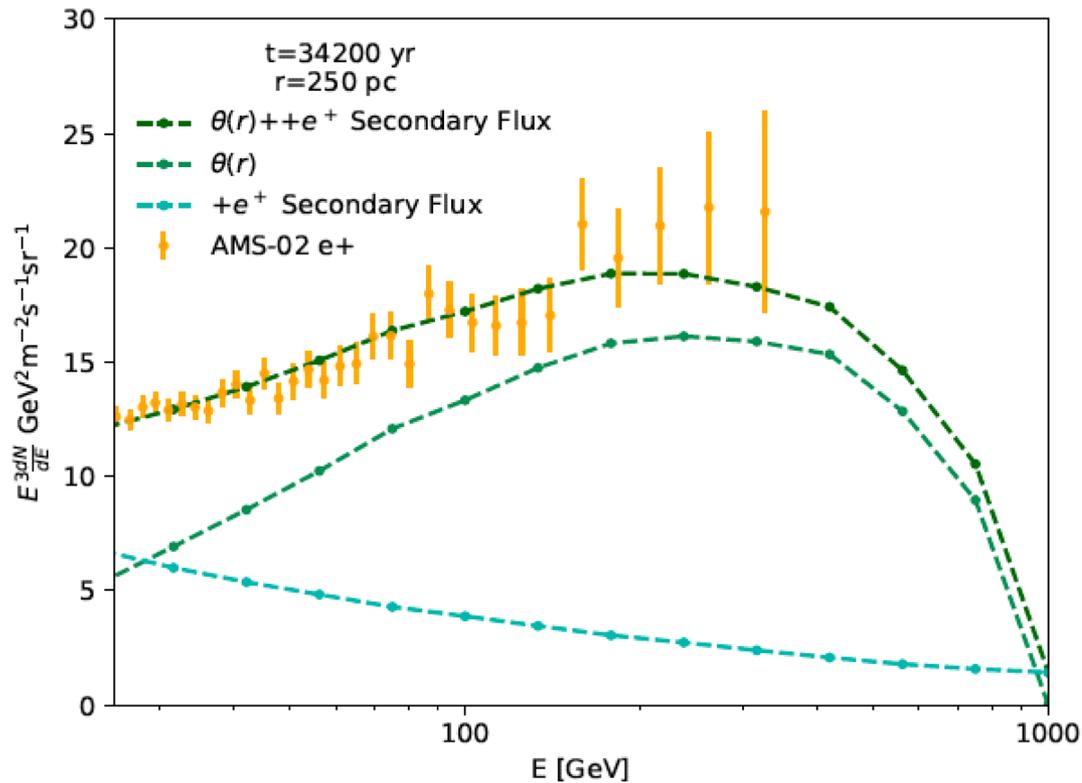
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In reality: source **time-dependence**,
additional contributions from **other sources**....

How can we **test** inhomogeneous diffusion? Does it **matter**, globally on Galactic scales?

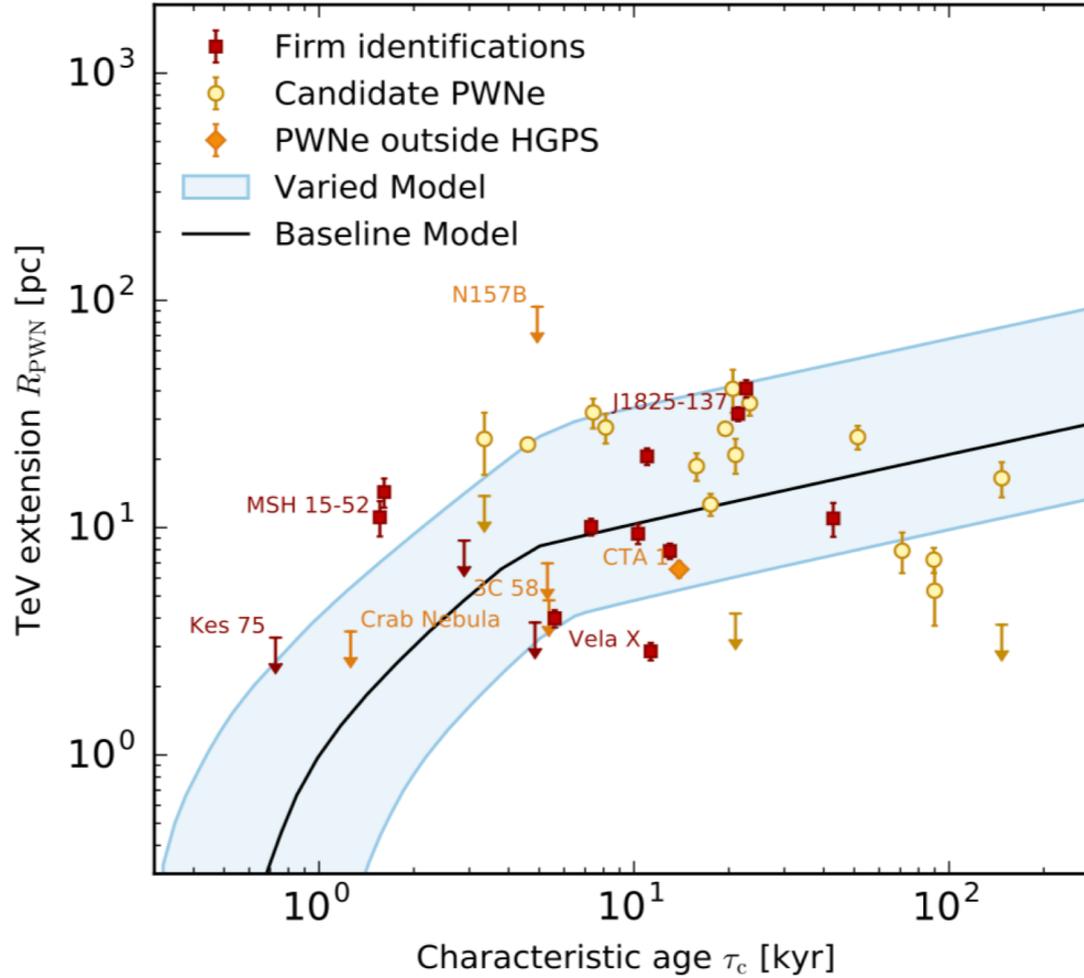
Estimate the **volume** of regions of inefficient diffusion

1. How **big** is a **PWN** as a function of time?

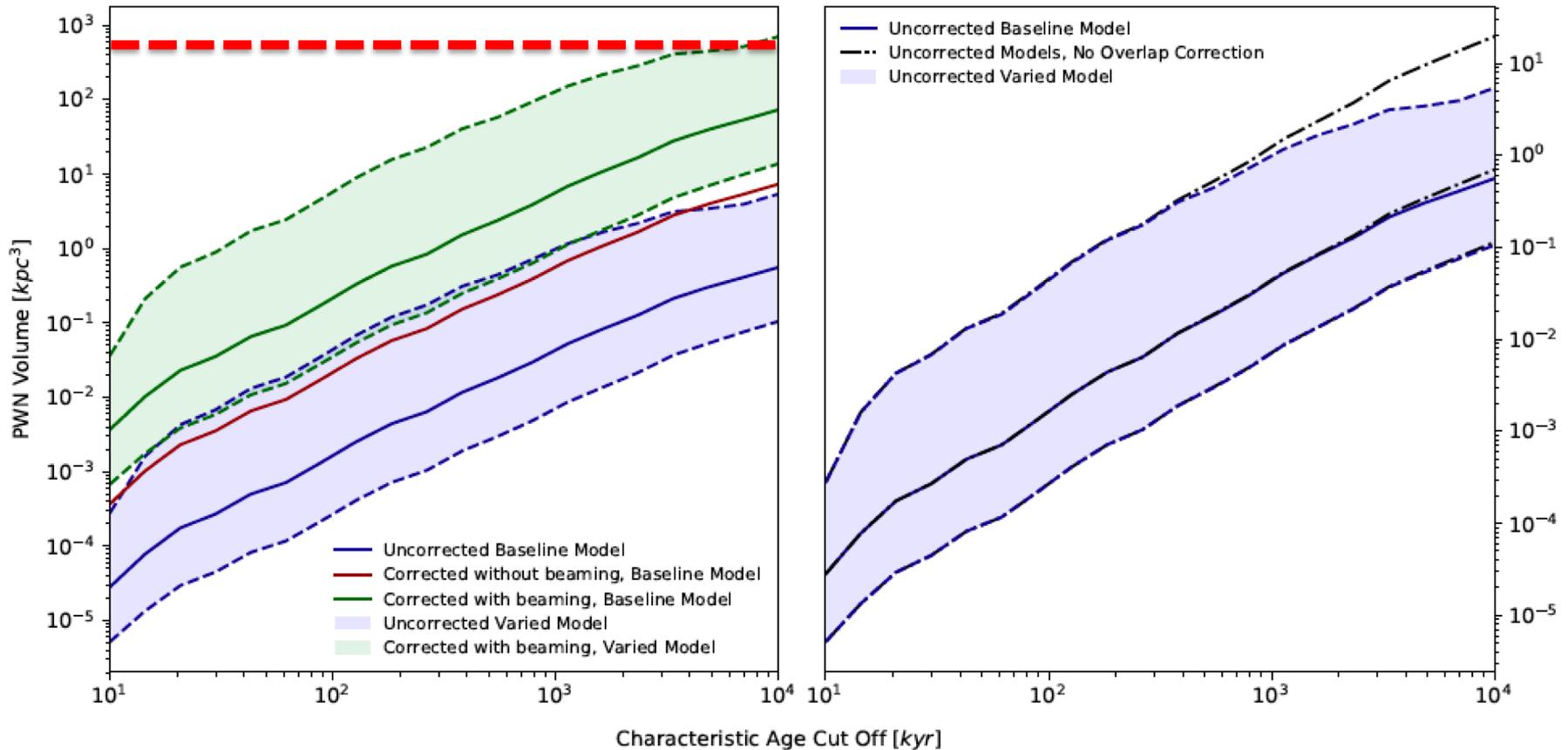
The population of TeV pulsar wind nebulae in the H.E.S.S. Galactic Plane Survey

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1. How big is a PWN as a function of time?



...but of course the sample is **incomplete**... (beaming+detectability)
 ...and we don't know when PWN run out of steam...



$$\langle V \rangle_{\text{ISM}} \simeq 500 \text{ kpc}^3 \left(\frac{R_h}{20 \text{ kpc}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{z_h}{0.2 \text{ kpc}} \right)$$

so, does this **matter**?

well, the time spent in inefficient diffusion pockets is potentially **much larger** than volume ratios!

$$\langle L \rangle \sim \sqrt{D \cdot t},$$

$$\frac{t_{\text{PWN}}}{t_{\text{ISM}}} \sim \left(\frac{\langle V \rangle_{\text{PWN}}}{\langle V \rangle_{\text{ISM}}} \right)^{2/3} \frac{D_{\text{ISM}}}{D_{\text{PWN}}} \sim 10^{-2} \left(\frac{\langle V \rangle_{\text{PWN}}}{\langle V \rangle_{\text{ISM}}} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$\langle V \rangle_{\text{PWN}} \gtrsim 0.5 \text{ kpc}^3$$

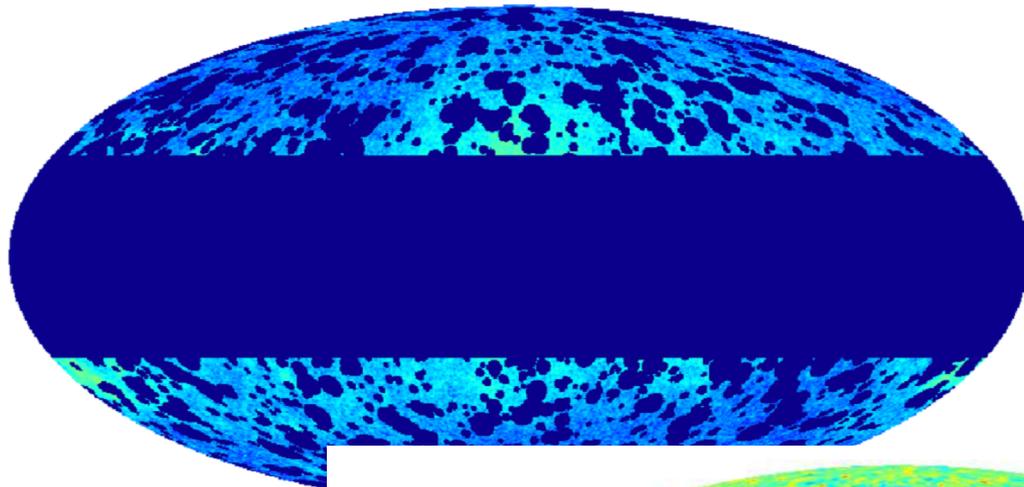
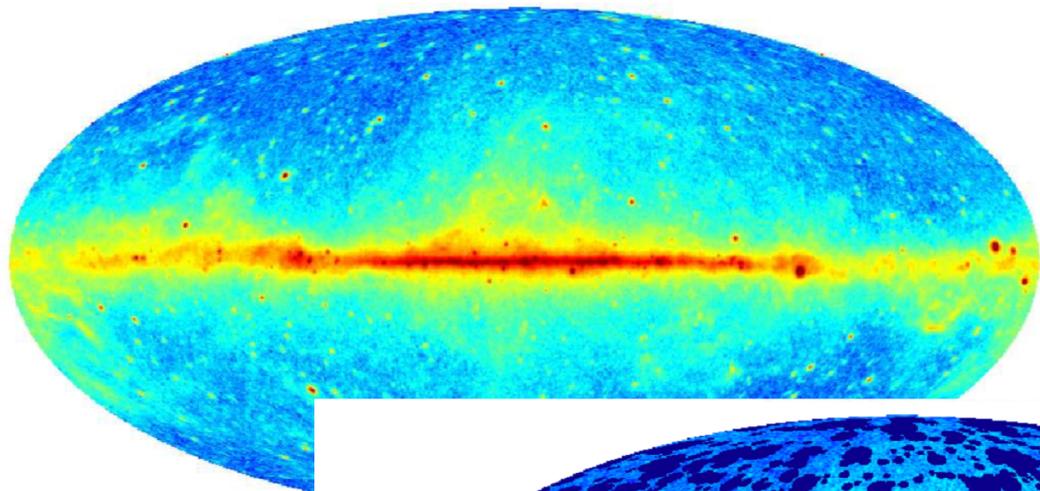
...OK, but how can we **test** this?

if a large fraction of CR electrons are **trapped** in inefficient diffusion pockets, those pockets will be **illuminated** by energy-loss radiative processes (radio, IC, brems)

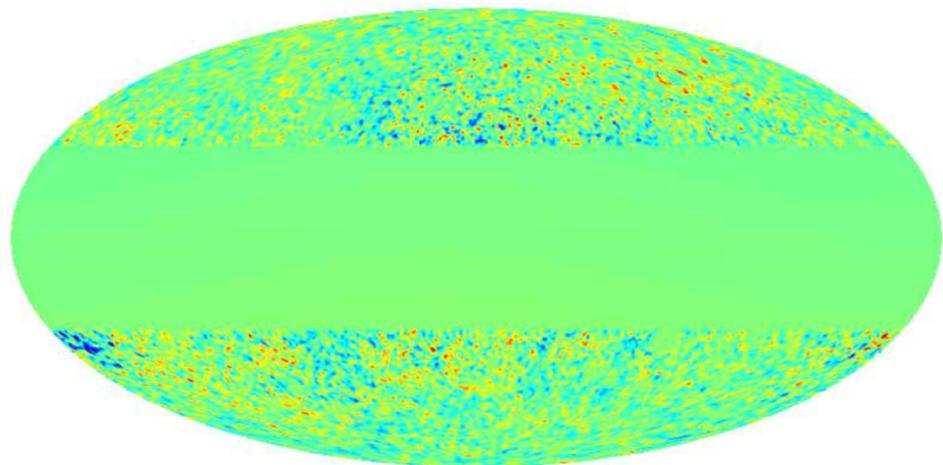
$$\theta \sim \frac{R_{\text{PWN}}}{d_{\text{PWN}}}, \quad \text{theta ranges from **few degrees** to **0.1** degrees}$$

can use any frequency from **radio** (with additional B uncert.) to **X-ray** to **gamma rays**

Can use simple **angular power spectrum**, or **wavelet** transforms, **Poissonian** noise analysis



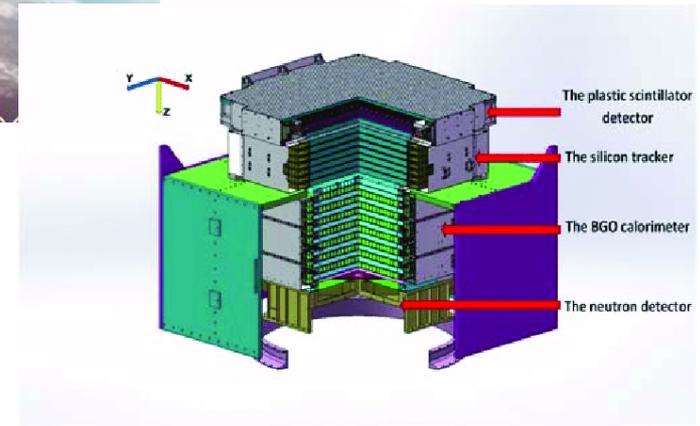
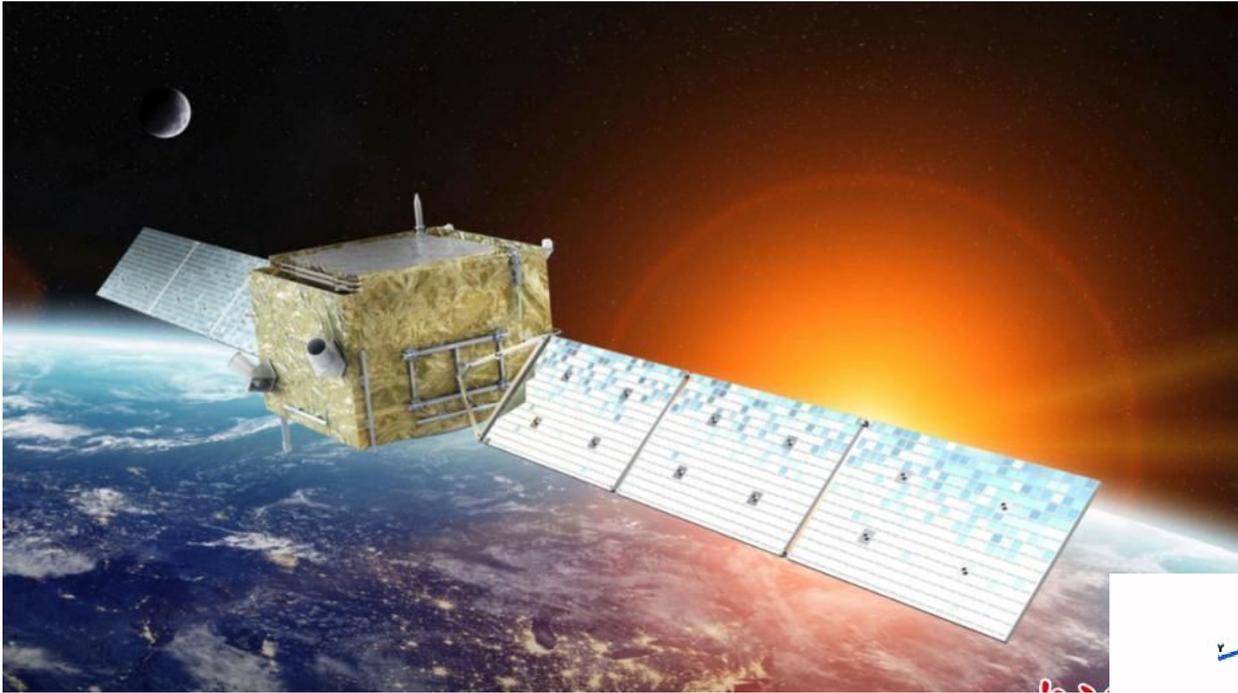
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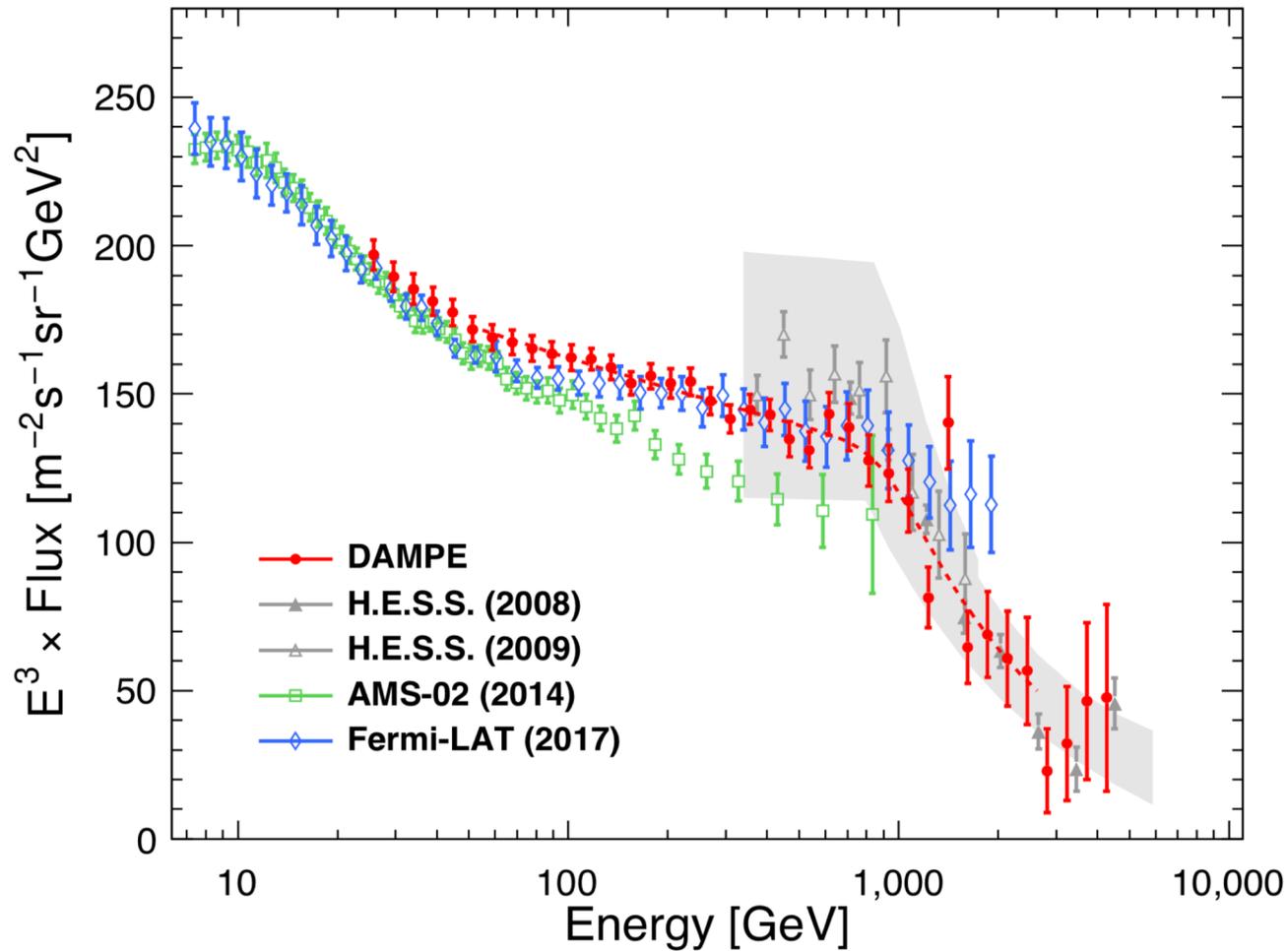
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* Fornasa et al

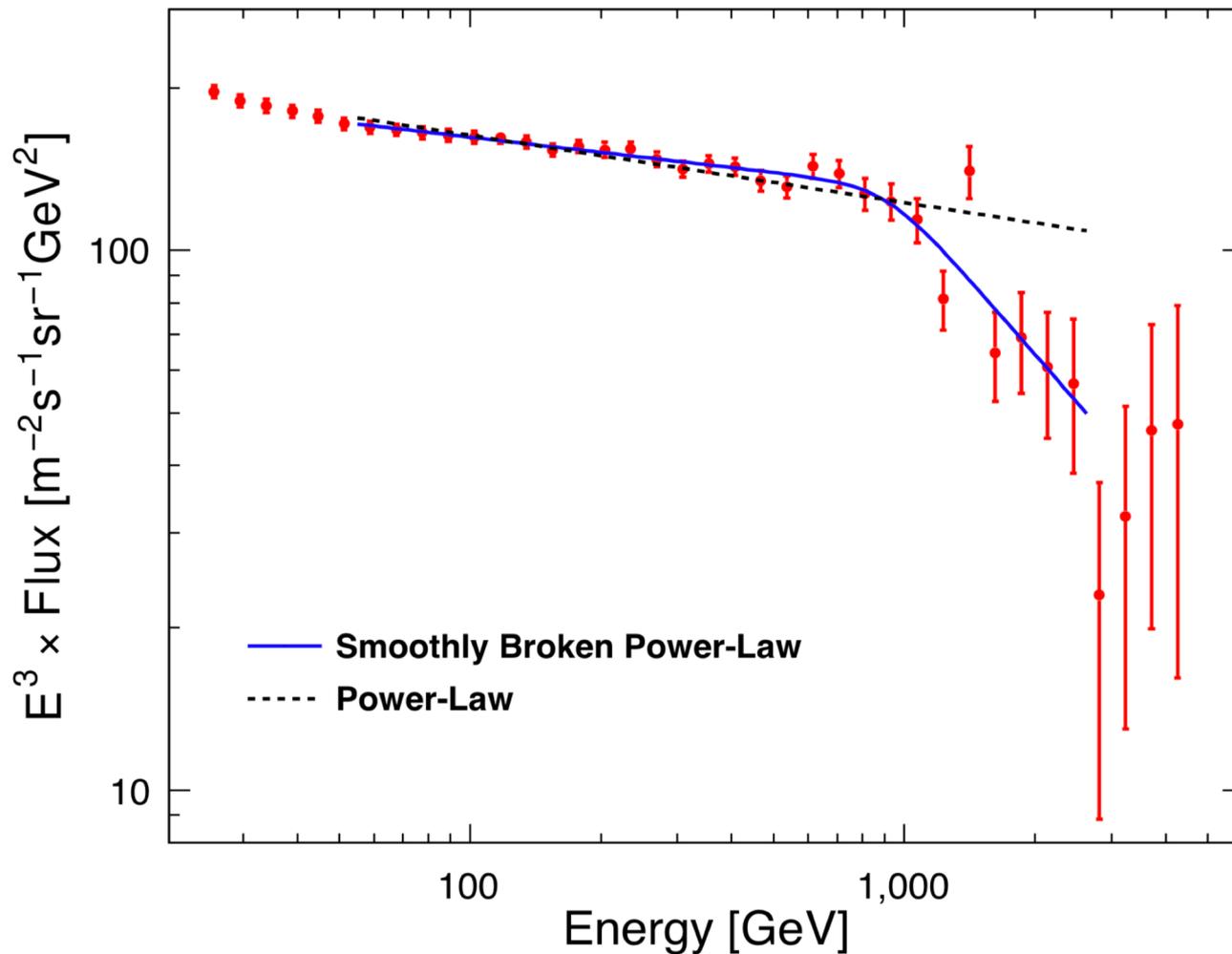
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The Dark Matter Particle Explorer, or **DAMPE**, is a Chinese Academy of Sciences satellite launched on 17 **December 2015**



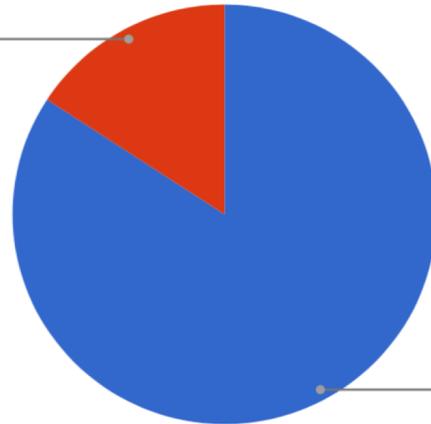
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...and prompted an interesting **socio-nationalistic** phenomenon

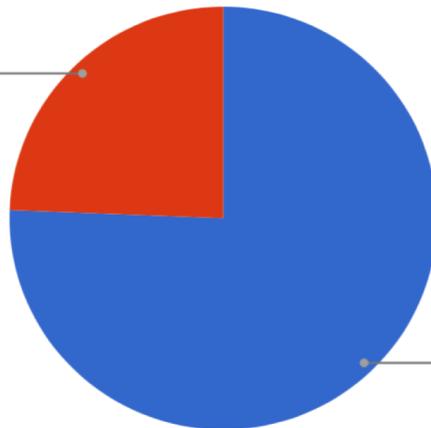
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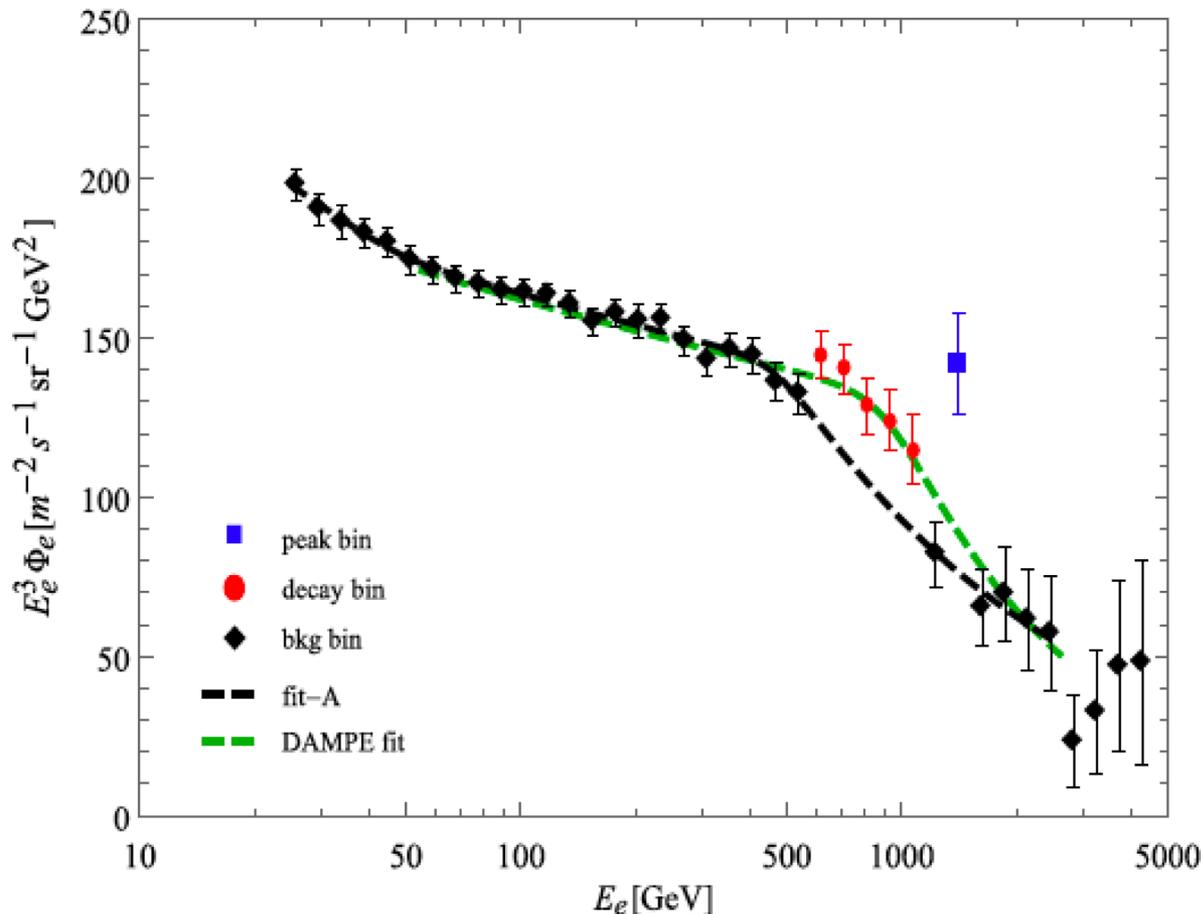
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Ge et al (2018) pretend there's a line+bump

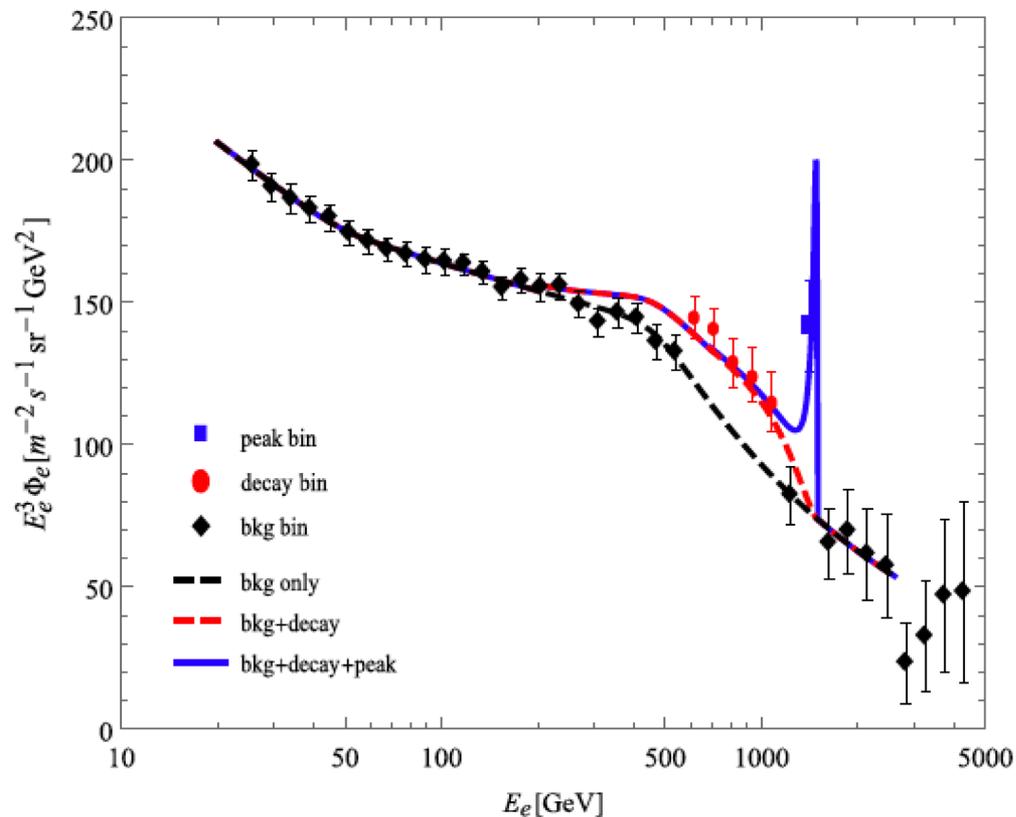
background: double-broken power law



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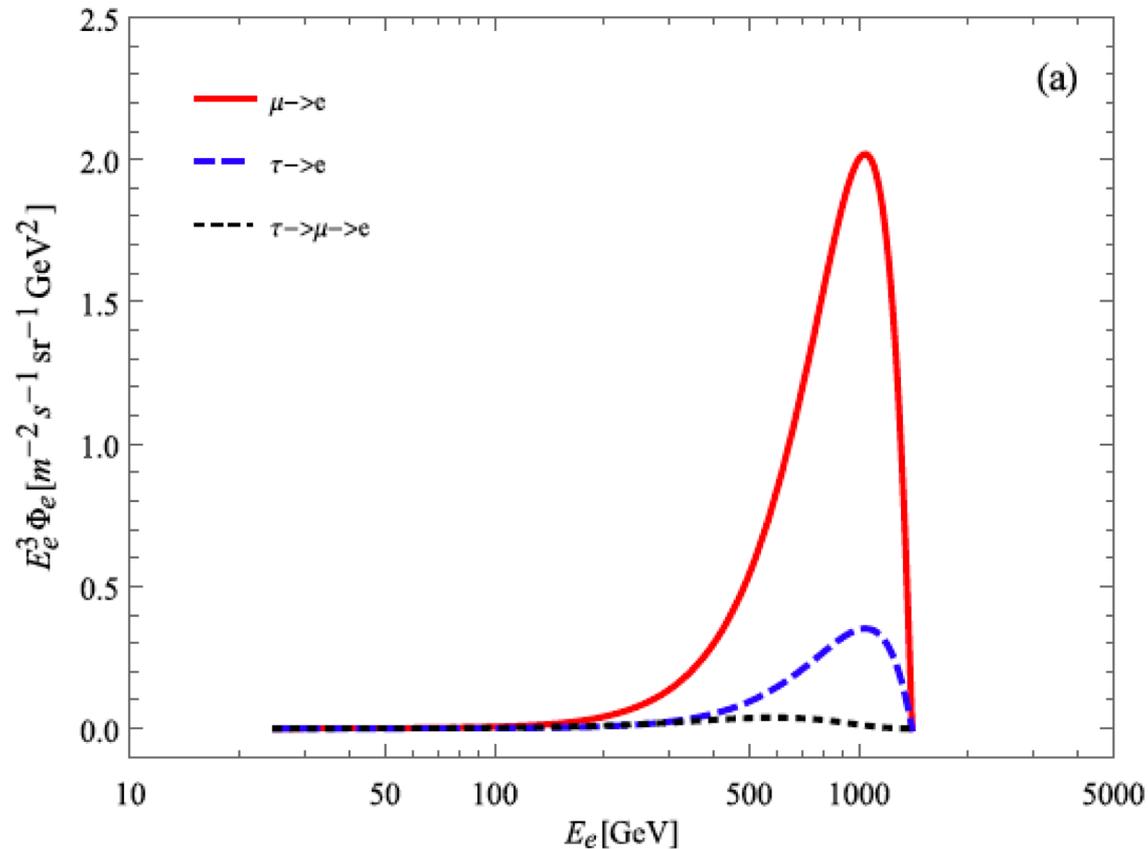
signal: **lepto-philic 1.4 TeV DM** annihilation in a nearby clump, with **some non-flavor universal BR** into **e:μ:τ**



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τ decay produces much fewer and softer electrons than μ decay – hard to constrain/negligible:

use $N_e:N_\mu:N_\tau=1:y:0$, fit for y

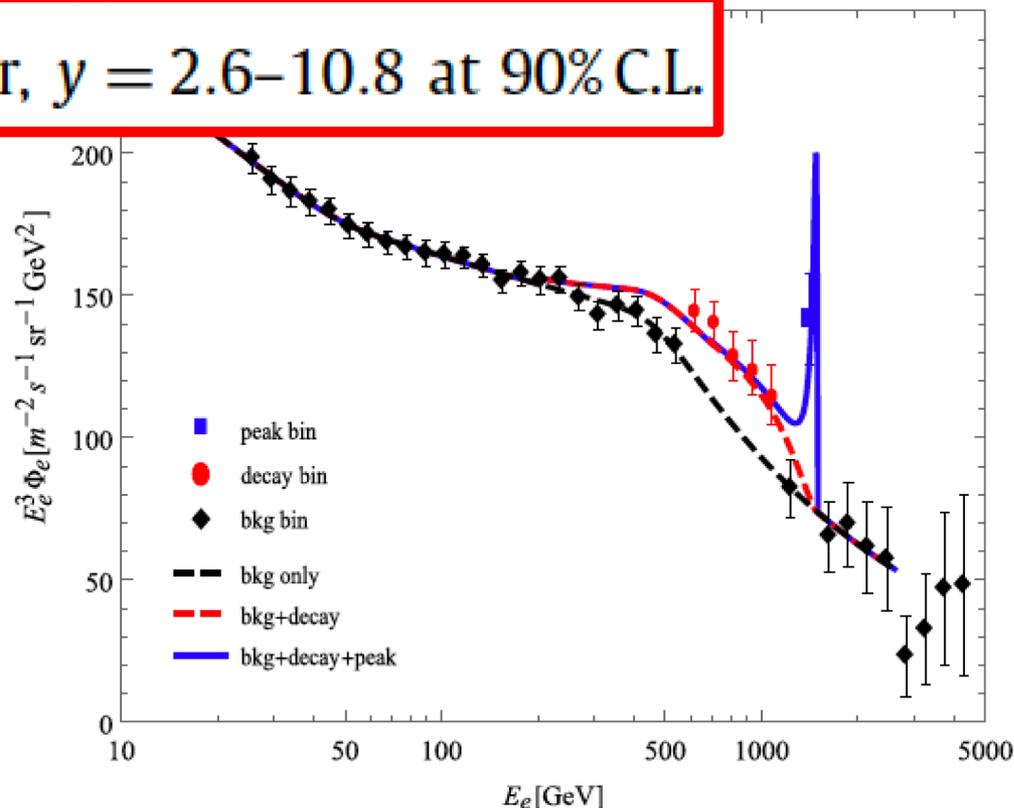


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$$y = 8.6^{+1.4}_{-2.5}, \text{ or, } y = 2.6-10.8 \text{ at } 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$



Assume indeed there is a bump + line – so what?

What do we **learn**?

1. **Flavor structure**: e.g. implemented by Dirac fermion DM with scalar mediator,

$$\mathcal{L}_\chi \supset \lambda_j S_j \overline{\chi}_L \ell_{Rj} + \text{h.c.},$$

2. **Distance** to the **clump** fixed by **width** of the “line”, density distribution fixed by height of line

$d \sim 200$ pc, $r_s \sim 100$ pc (we are partly within clump!)

[I think this clump would be ruled out by Fermi-LAT!]

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Augment L_μ - L_τ Z' model for B anomalies with a DM particle

Dressing $L_\mu - L_\tau$ in Color

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$$\mathcal{L}_{Z'} = -\frac{1}{4} (Z')_{\alpha\beta} (Z')^{\alpha\beta} + |D_\alpha \Phi|^2 + V(\Phi) + g' Z'_\alpha J_{Z'}^\alpha .$$

$$J_{Z'}^{\alpha (\text{lep})} = Q_\ell \left(\bar{\ell}_2 \gamma^\alpha \ell_2 - \bar{\ell}_3 \gamma^\alpha \ell_3 + \bar{\mu}_R \gamma^\alpha \mu_R - \bar{\tau}_R \gamma^\alpha \tau_R \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_m = m_Q \bar{Q}_L \tilde{Q}_R + m_D \bar{\tilde{D}}_L D_R + m_U \bar{\tilde{U}}_L U_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}} = & \Phi \bar{\tilde{D}}_R (Y_{Qb} b_L + Y_{Qs} s_L + Y_{Qd} d_L) \\ & + \Phi \bar{\tilde{U}}_R (Y_{Qt} t_L + Y_{Qc} c_L + Y_{Qu} u_L) \\ & + \Phi^\dagger \tilde{U}_L (Y_{Ut} t_R + Y_{Uc} c_R + Y_{Uu} u_R) \\ & + \Phi^\dagger \tilde{D}_L (Y_{Db} b_R + Y_{Ds} s_R + Y_{Dd} d_R) + \text{h.c.} \end{aligned}$$

Augment $L_\mu - L_\tau$ Z' model for B anomalies with a DM particle

Dressing $L_\mu - L_\tau$ in Color

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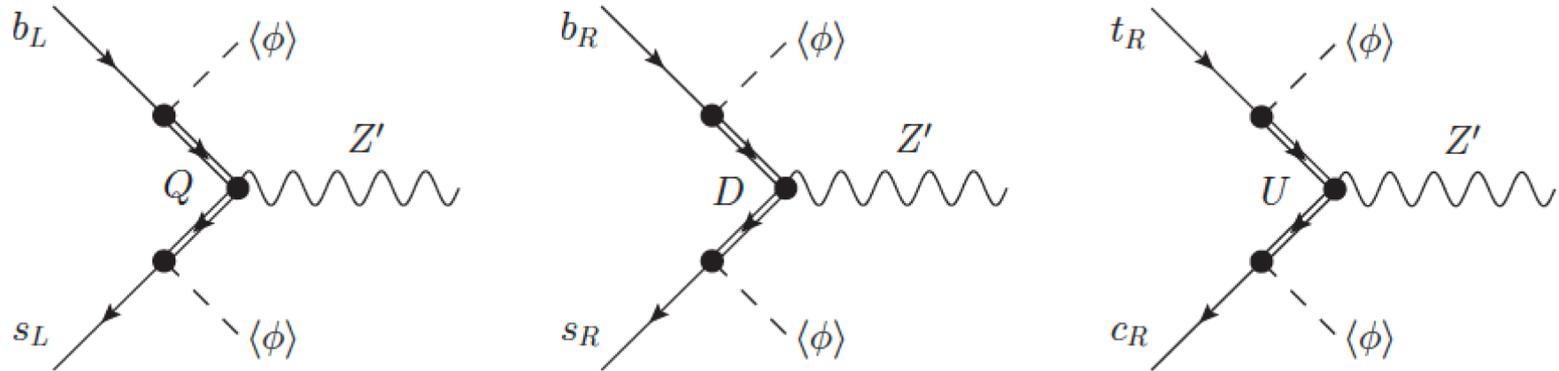


FIG. 1. Example diagrams in the high energy theory that lead to flavor-changing effective couplings of the Z' to SM quarks.

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Explaining Dark Matter and B Decay Anomalies with an $L_\mu - L_\tau$ Model

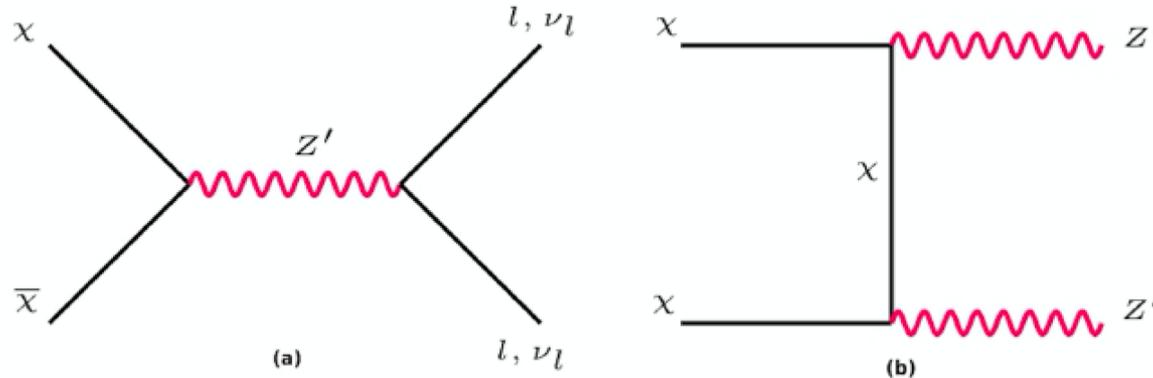
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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{fermions}} \supset q_l g' (\bar{\mu} \gamma_\alpha \mu - \bar{\tau} \gamma_\alpha \tau + \bar{\nu}_\mu \gamma_\alpha P_L \nu_\mu - \bar{\nu}_\tau \gamma_\alpha P_L \nu_\tau) Z'^\alpha$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{dark}} \supset q_\chi g' \bar{\chi} \gamma_\alpha \chi Z'^\alpha$$

Consider $q_l = q_\chi$ and $q_l \gg q_\chi$ limits; without loss of generality, set $q_l = 1$

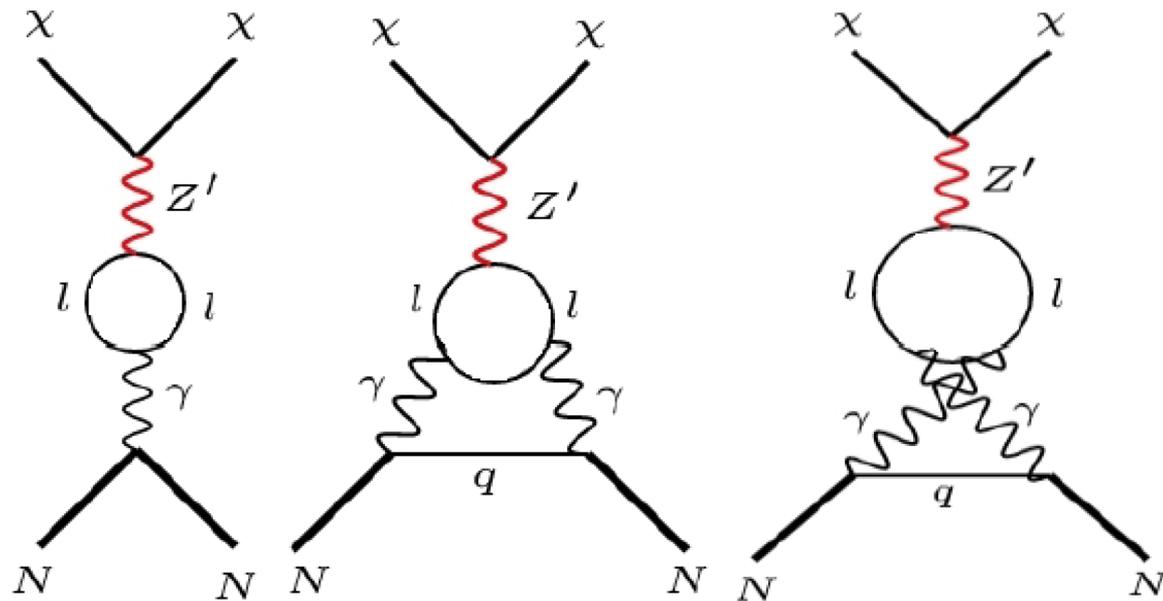
DM Phenomenology: indirect/relic density and direct detection



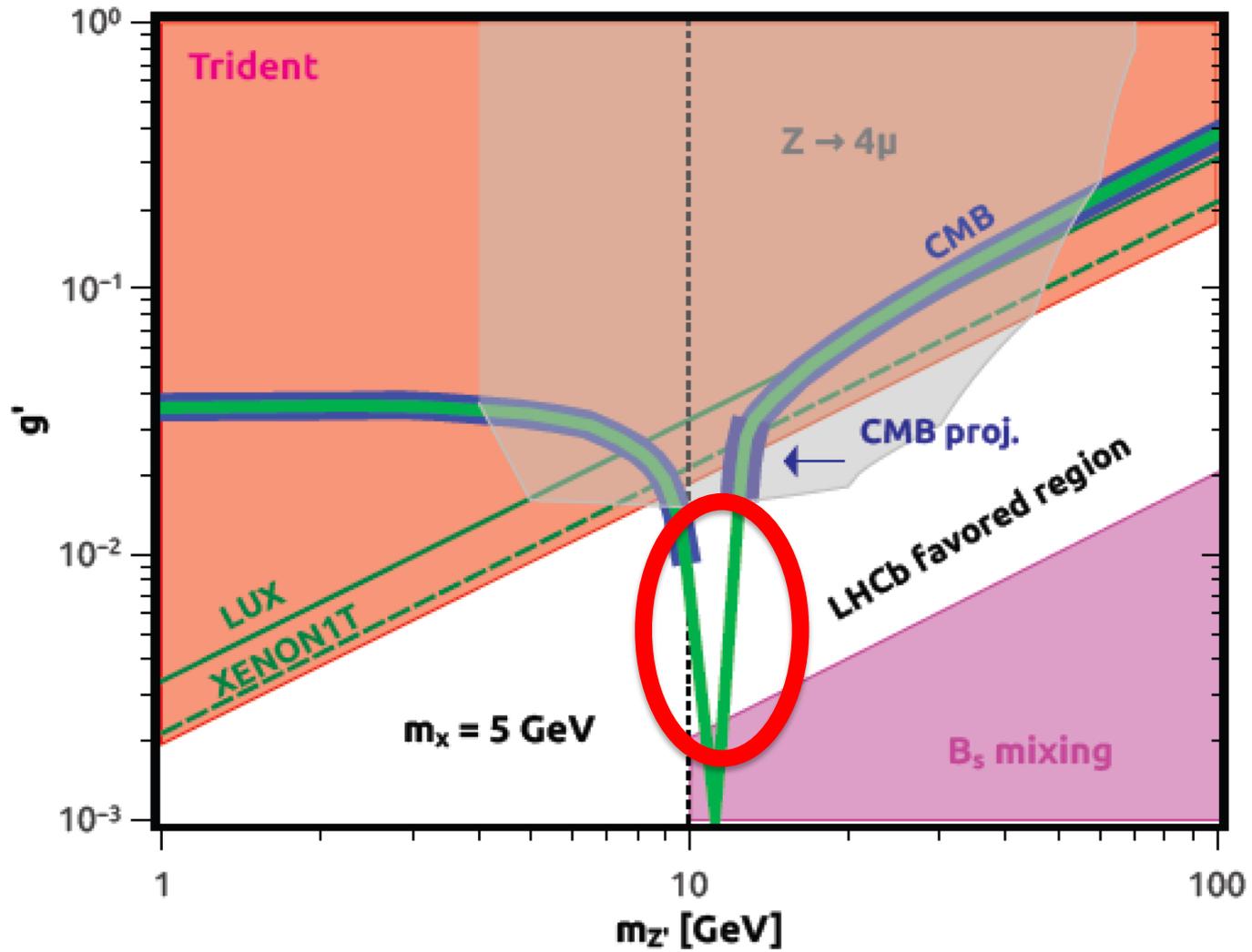
$$\sigma v (\chi \bar{\chi} \rightarrow l^+ l^-) \approx \frac{q_\chi^2 q_l^2 g'^4}{2\pi} \frac{m_\chi^2}{(4m_\chi^2 - m_{Z'}^2)^2}$$

...expect **3 regimes** depending on m_χ , $m_{Z'}$ hierarchy

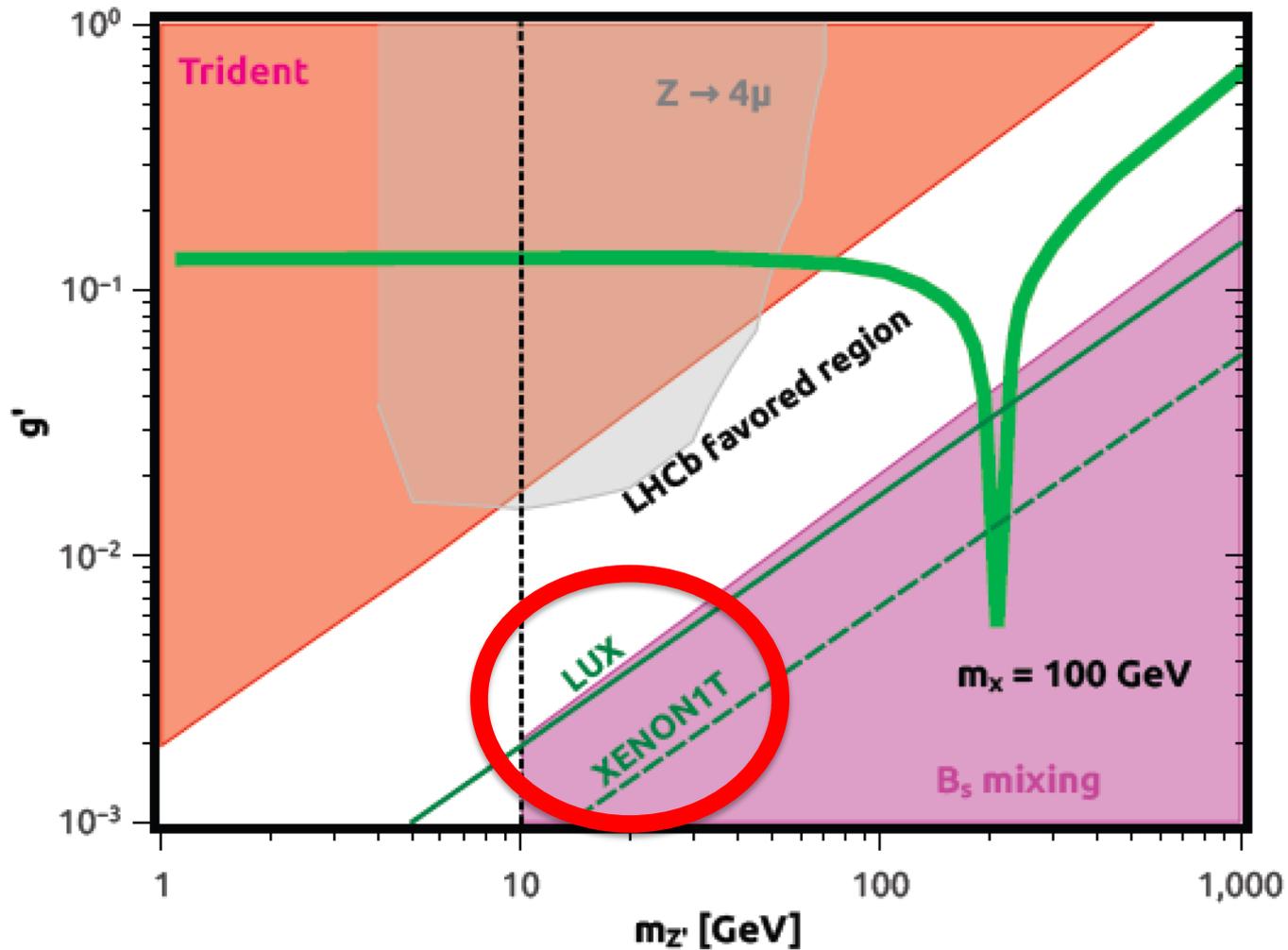
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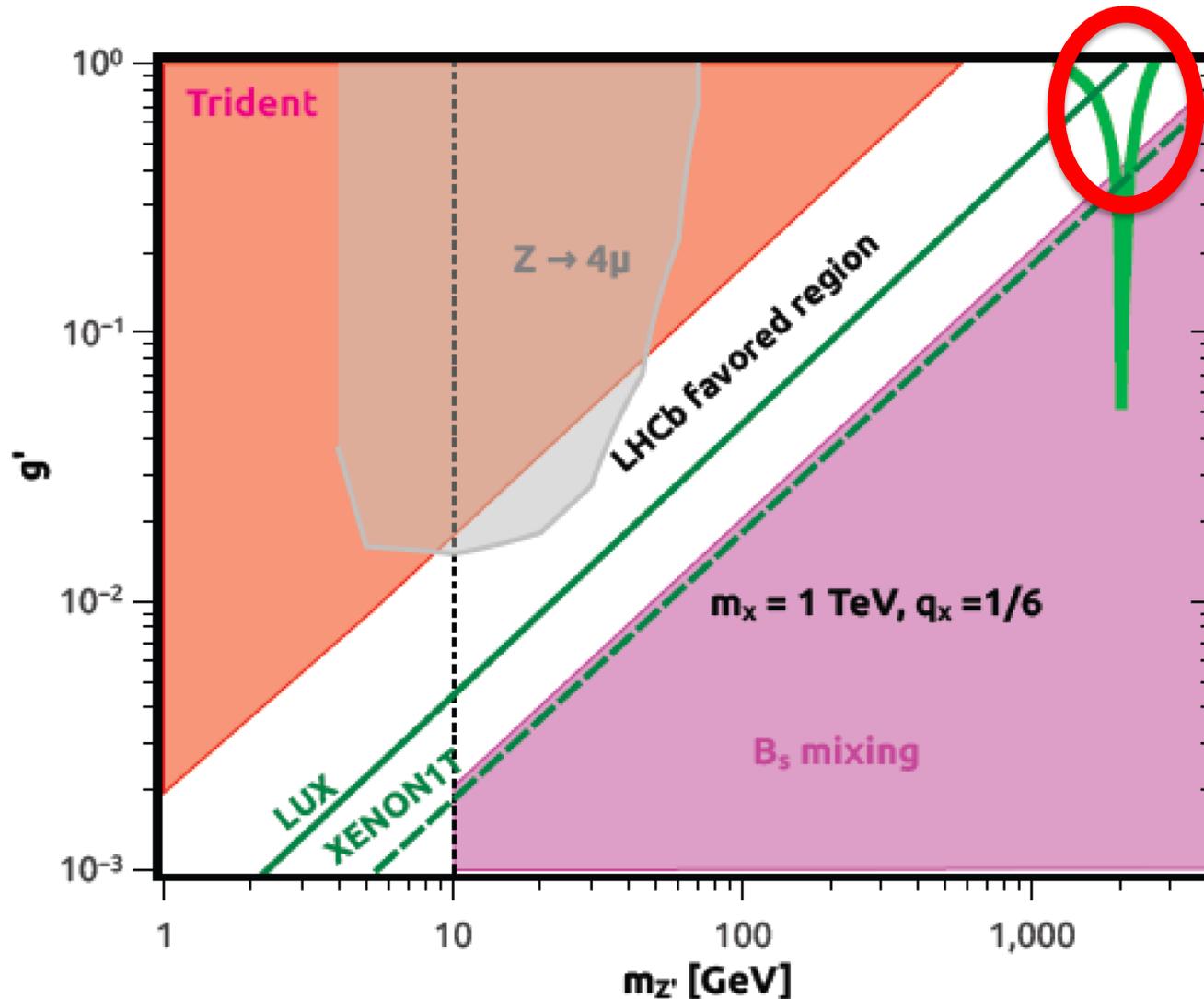
Light DM, large DM charge, $q_\chi = 1$



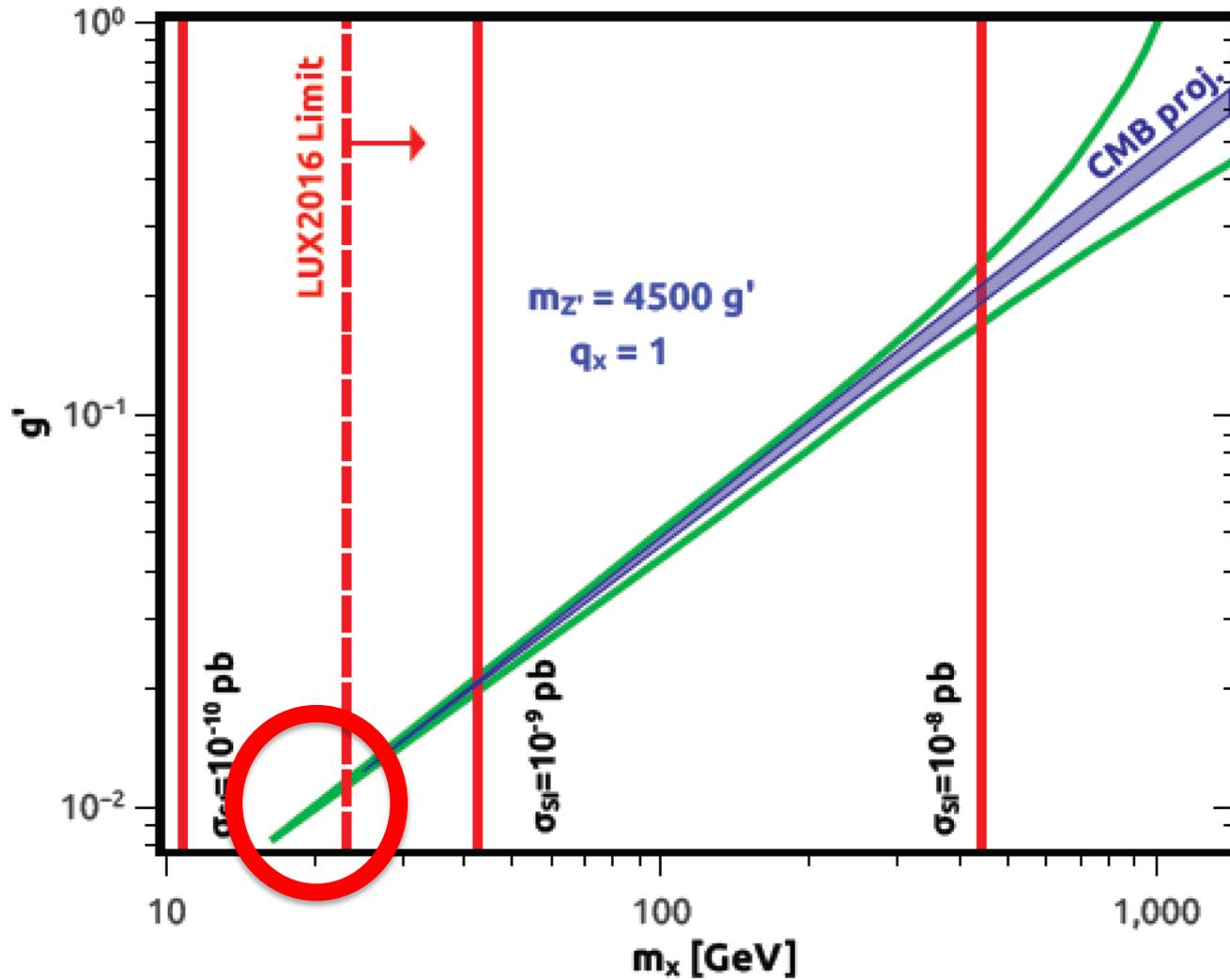
Heavy DM, large DM charge, $q_\chi = 1$: tough luck!



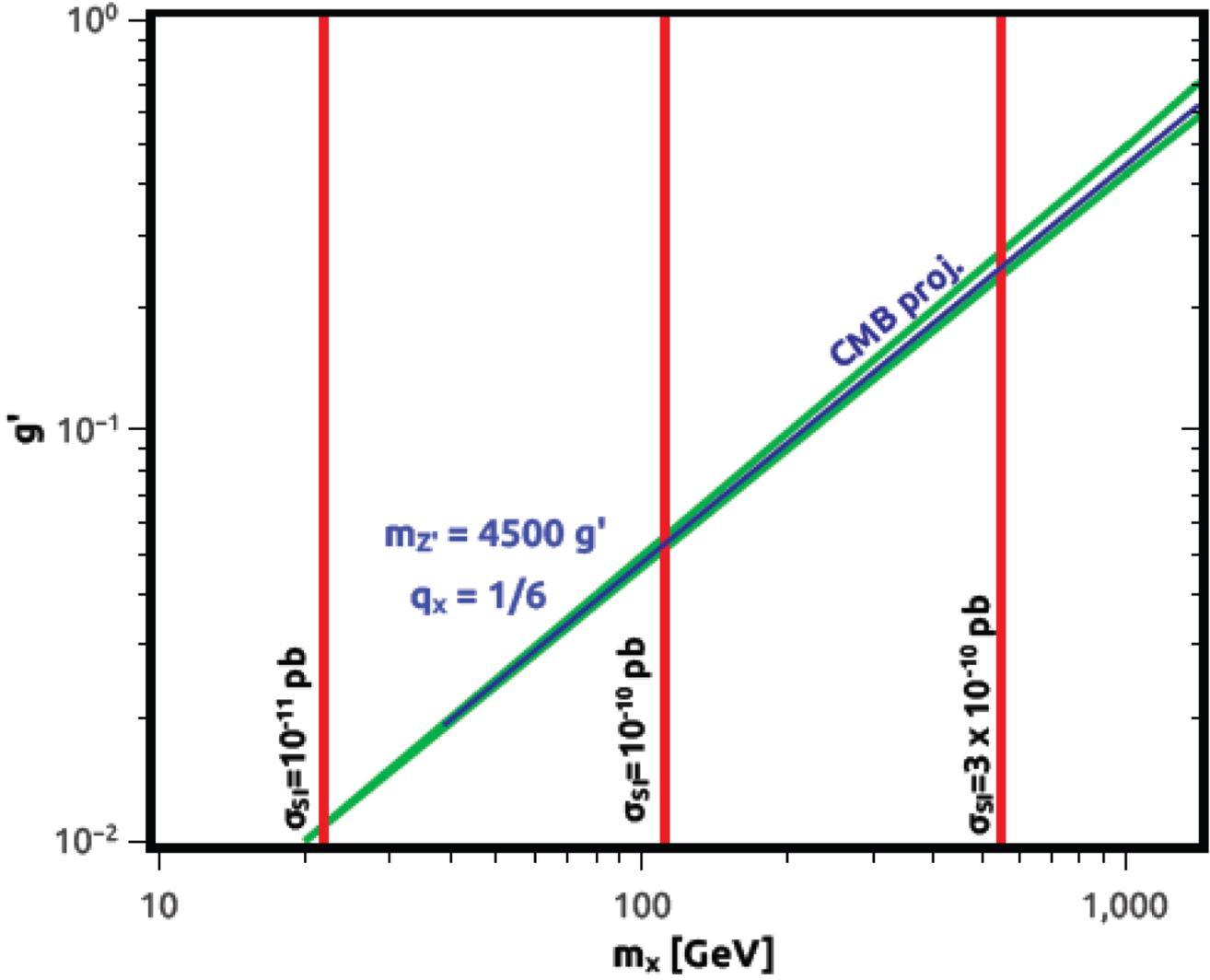
Even **Heavier** DM, **smaller** DM charge, $q_\chi = 1/6$: barely OK (for now)



Orthogonal view, large DM charge $q_\chi = 1$: ouch!



Orthogonal view, small DM charge $q_\chi = 1/6$



➤ Lepton flavor physics with cosmic rays: (1) the positron excess

- ✓ nearby **pulsars** are the **likely source** of anomalous CR positrons
- ✓ if so, **diffusion is not homogeneous**; we know how to test it!

➤ Lepton flavor physics with cosmic rays: (2) DAMPE

- ✓ premature, but proof of principle of **flavor physics model building** from **astro data!**

➤ Dark matter and lepton flavor universality violation

- ✓ if Z' from L_μ - L_τ is the right explanation to B anomalies, and if Z' is the portal for DM, **very predictive scenario, testable** with direct detection