Search for dark matter annihilations around Intermediate Mass Black Holes with the H.E.S.S. experiment

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Definition of black holes

Stellar mass black holes: M_• < 10² M

- endpoint of stellar evolution
- indirectly observed

• Supermassive black holes: $M_{\bullet} \in [10^6, 10^9] M$

- ubiquitous
- unknown origin
- mass correlated with host halo

• Intermediate mass black holes: $M_{\bullet} \in [10^2, 10^6] M$

- maybe form in globular clusters
- maybe observed as ULXs
- seed for SMBHs?



More Speculative!

IMBH formation scenarios



DM mini-spikes around Intermediate Mass Black Holes



- ~100 IMBHs de ~10⁵ M_☉
 in the Galactic halo
 (Koushiappas, 2004)
- Accumulation of DM around these objetcs (Bertone, 2005)
- Plausibly present in Galactic globular clusters : NGC6388, NGC6266, Ω Centauri,...
- Objects of the IMBH size predicted by N-body simulations

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Gamma-ray luminosity from IMBH scenarios

Scenario A

Scenario B



- Scenario A is out of reach for H.E.S.S.
- H.E.S.S. sensitivity can put strong constraints on particle physics models in scenario B

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IMBHs in scenario B (1)

Dark matter distribution around a IMBH :



IMBHs in scenario B (2)

Mass distribution

Cumulative radial distribution



- Masses ~ $10^5 M_{sun}$
- Increase of IMBH density towards the Galactic Center
- Point-like sources for H.E.S.S. (~10⁻³pc at ~10 kpc from Galatic Centre)

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Gamma-ray luminosity from IMBHs in scenario B



- Dependence on the neutralino mass
- The maximum integrated flux is obtained well above the energy threshold

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Candidates within H.E.S.S. sources ?

No plausible IMBH candidate within the H.E.S.S. data e.g. unidentified sources do not show the expected features :

- intrinsic spatial extension
- pure power-law spectrum up to ~10 TeV

Ex: HESS J1427-608

- Detection > 7σ
- Extension : 5'
- Power-law spectrum
 Γ =2.2±0.1_{stat}±0.2_{svst}
- No plausible
- counterpart



H.E.S.S. unidentified sources: morphology and search for counterparts (1)



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H.E.S.S. unidentified sources: morphology and search for counterparts (2)





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H.E.S.S. unidentified sources

Source	Right Ascension	Declination	l(°)	$b(^{\circ})$	Time (hrs)	$S(\sigma)$	Excess (cts)
HESS J1427-608	14 ^h 27 ^m 52 ^s	-60°51′00"	314.409	-0.145	21	7.3	197
HESS J1626-490	16 ^h 26 ^m 04 ^s	-49°05′13"	334.772	0.045	12	7.5	153
HESS J1702-420†	17 ^h 02 ^m 44 ^s	-42°00′57"	344.304	-0.184	9	12.8	412
HESS J1708-410†	17 ^h 08 ^m 24 ^s	-41°05′24"	345.683	-0.469	39	10.7	513
HESS J1731-347	17 ^h 31 ^m 55 ^s	-34°42′36"	353.565	-0.622	14	8.1	218
HESS J1841-055	18 ^h 40 ^m 55 ^s	-05°33′00"	26.795	-0.197	26	10.6	346
HESS J1857+026	18 ^h 57 ^m 11 ^s	02°40′00"	35.972	-0.056	21	8.7	223
HESS J1858+020	18 ^h 58 ^m 20 ^s	02°05′24"	35.578	-0.581	25	7.0	168

- Discovered in the Galactic plane survey
- No counterpart from radio to X wavelengths
- All are extended sources!
- Spectrum compatible with pure power-law spectrum

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Source	σ_1 (°)	σ_2 (°)	Angle (°)
HESS J1427-608	0.04 ± 0.02	0.08 ± 0.03	80 ± 17
HESS J1626-490	0.07 ± 0.02	0.10 ± 0.05	3 ± 40
HESS J1702-420	0.30 ± 0.02	0.15 ± 0.01	68 ± 7
HESS J1708-410	0.06 ± 0.01	0.08 ± 0.01	-20 ± 23
HESS J1731-347	0.18 ± 0.07	0.11 ± 0.03	-89 ± 21
HESS J1841-055	0.41 ± 0.04	0.25 ± 0.02	39 ± 6
HESS J1857+026	0.11 ± 0.08	0.08 ± 0.03	- 3 ± 49
HESS J1858+020	0.08 ± 0.02	0.02 ± 0.04	4 ± 17

H.E.S.S. flux sensitivity map in the Galactic plane survey

- Data analysis on a large field of view
- \Rightarrow H.E.S.S. data in the Galactic plane survey : ~400 h
 - pointing on identified sources excluded (ex: runs son the Galactic Center)
- Computation of H.E.S.S. sky maps within the field of view
- \Rightarrow H.E.S.S. flux sensitivity map in [-3,3]x[-30,60] deg²
- Constraints within a specific clump scenario : the IMBH scenario
- \Rightarrow Exclusion limits within the IMBH scenario

Computation of sky maps in the survey range:

- gamma map
- normalized background map
- acceptance map
- exposure map

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H.E.S.S. flux sensitivity map to Dark Matter annihilations



• H.E.S.S. flux sensitivity map in a large field of view: [-30,60] x[-3,3] deg.² \Rightarrow at the level of 10⁻¹² cm⁻²s⁻¹

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Exclusion limits for SUSY models



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Exclusion limits for Kaluza-Klein and AMSB models



 Strong constraints on the particle physics models in the TeV range within the scenario B

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Summary

- H.E.S.S. flux sensitivity map to a dark Matter annihilation flux in the Galactic plane survey :[-3,3] deg. x [-30,60] deg.
 ⇒ ~10⁻¹² cm⁻²s⁻¹ in a large field of view
- No plausible candidate for IMBHs within H.E.S.S. data so far
- First experimental constraints from IACTs in a Dark Matter clump scenario (albeit optimistic)
- Strong constraints on particle physics models in the scenario B for IMBH masses of ~ $10^5 M_{sun}$