Indirect dark-matter searches with γ-rays

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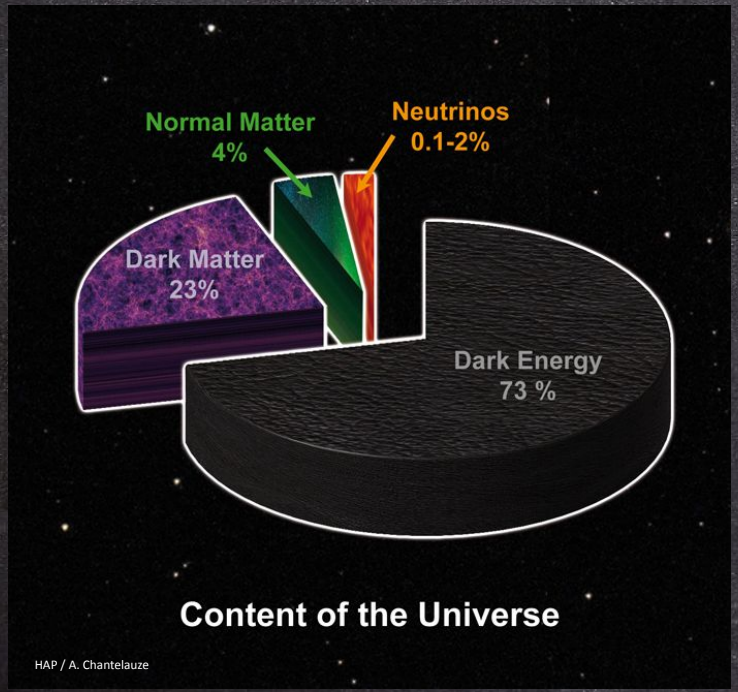
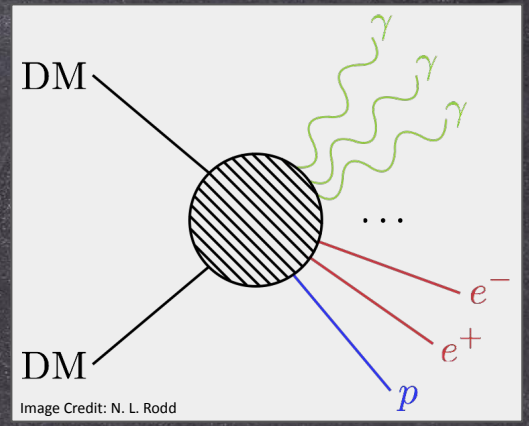
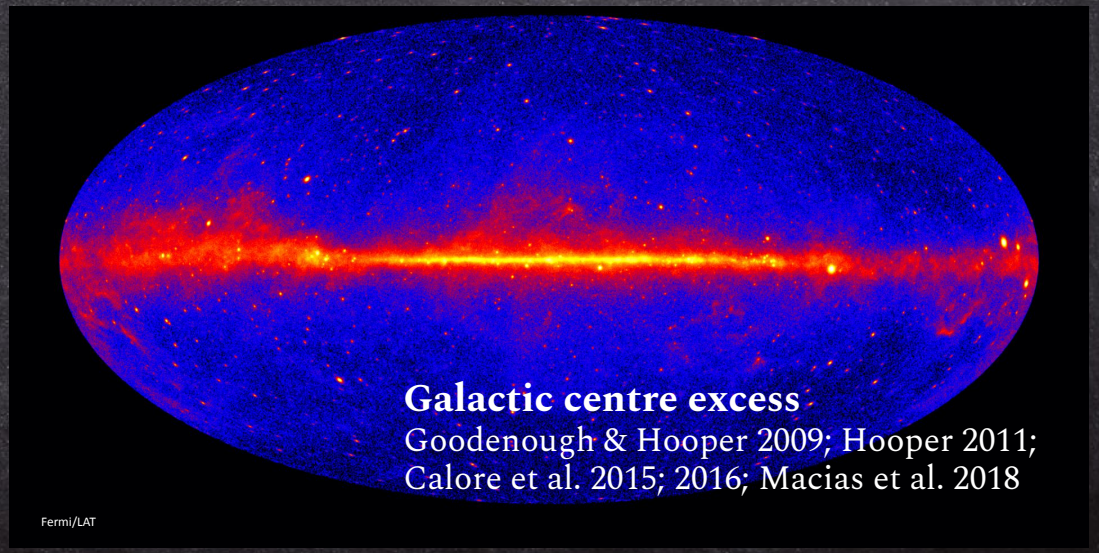
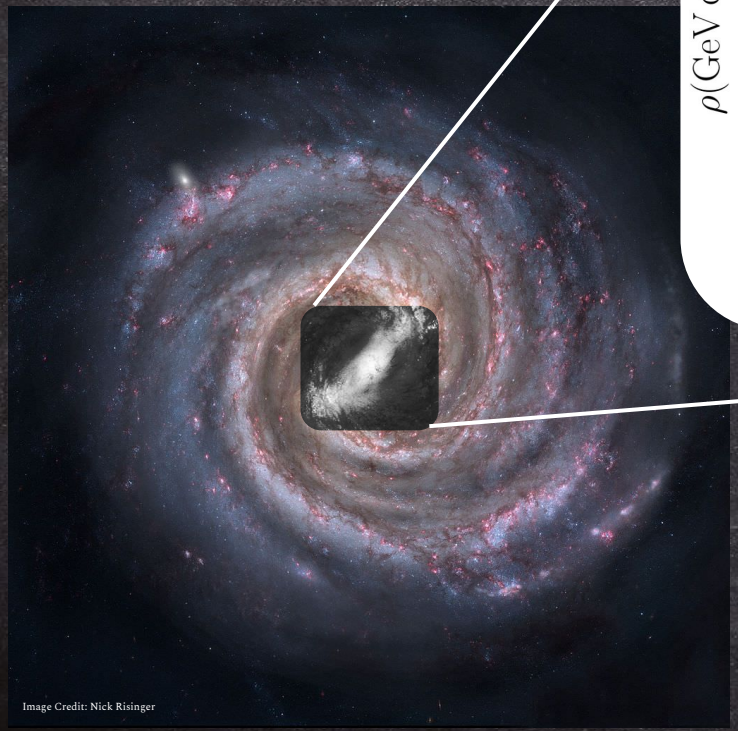


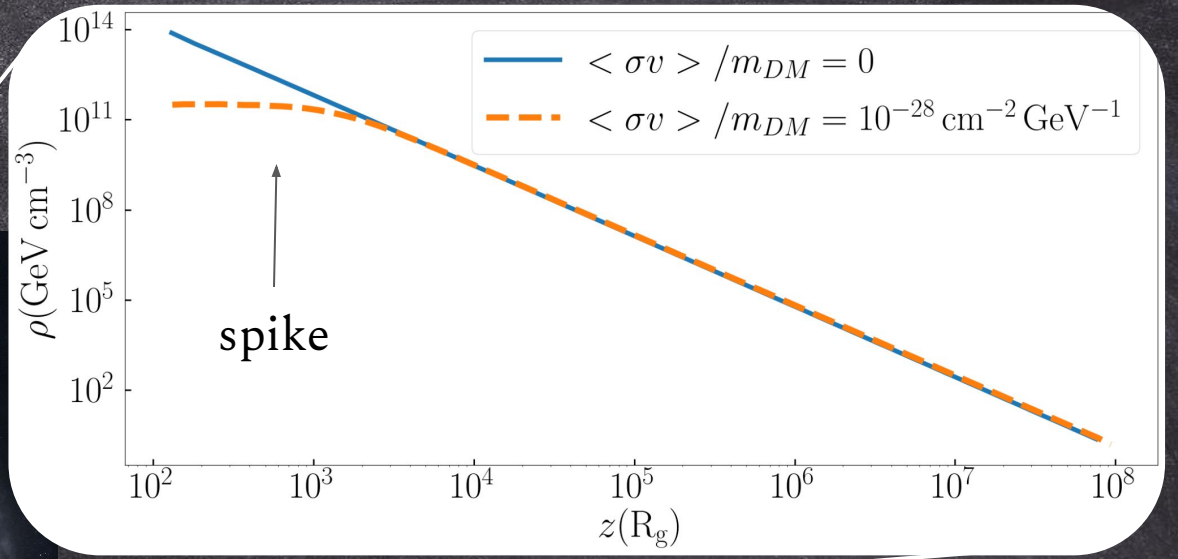
m_{DM} & $\langle\sigma v\rangle$





DM spikes

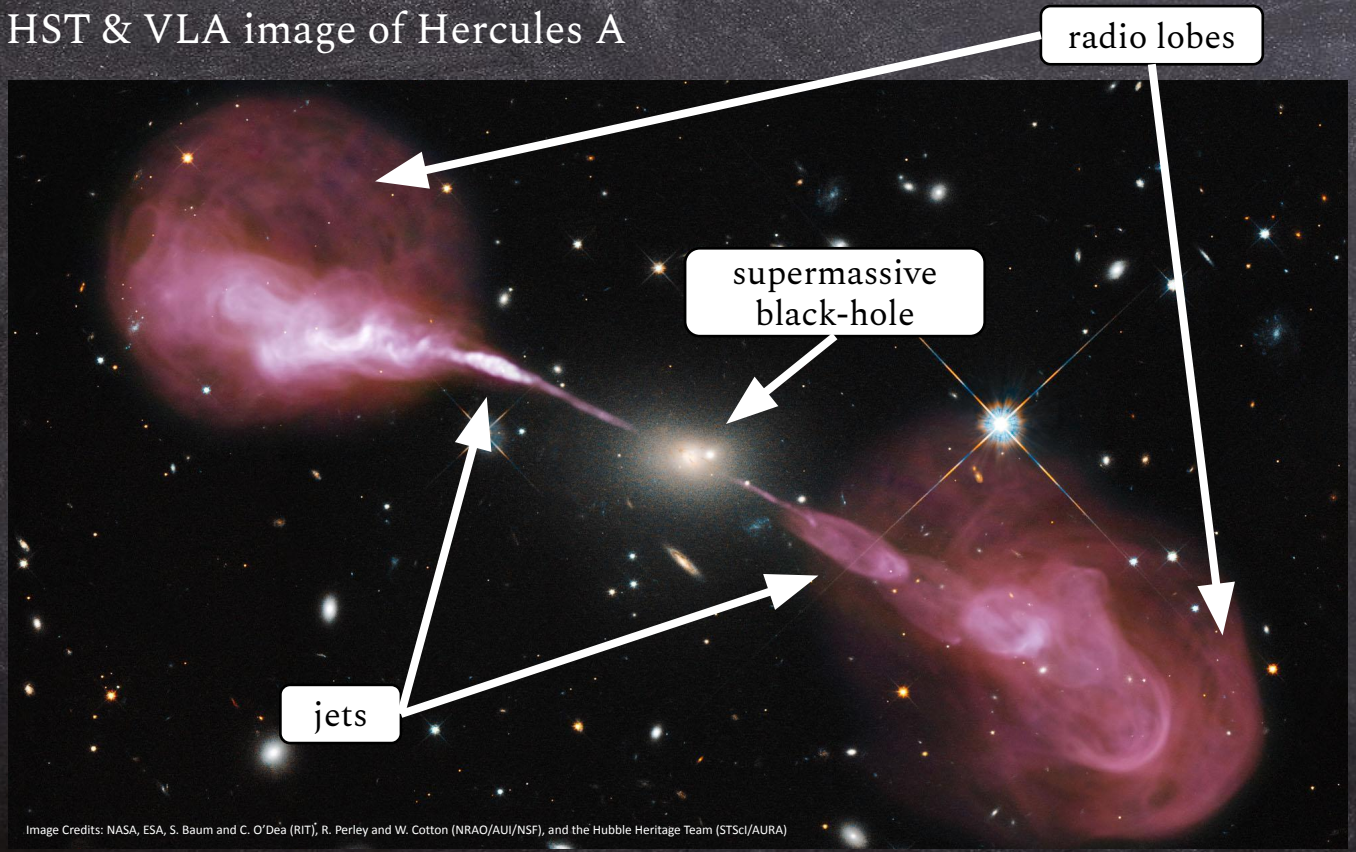




see e.g., Quinlan et a. 1995;
Gondolo & Silk 1999;
Gorchtein et al. 2010

Active galactic nuclei (AGN)

HST & VLA image of Hercules A

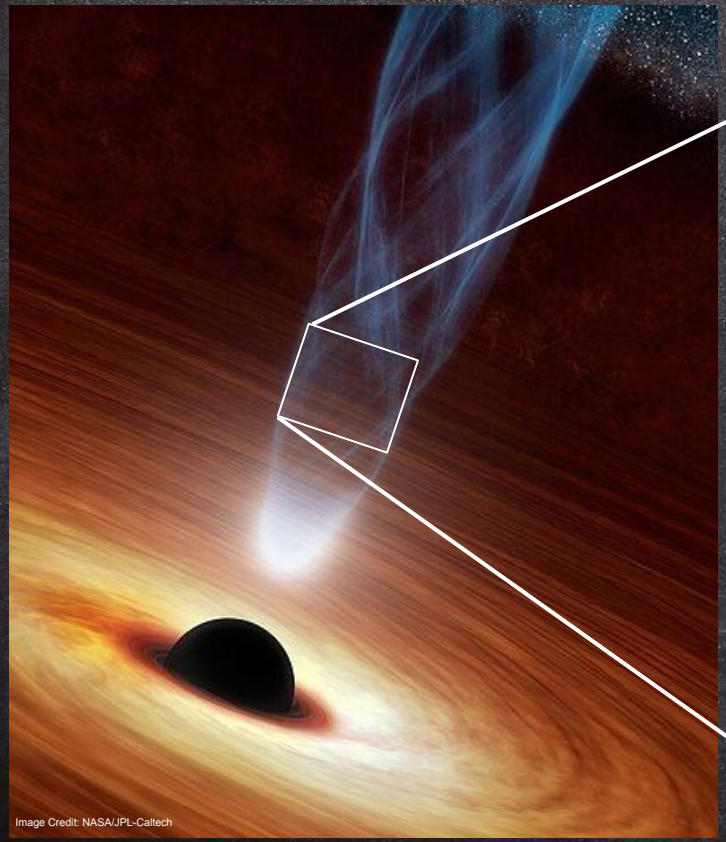


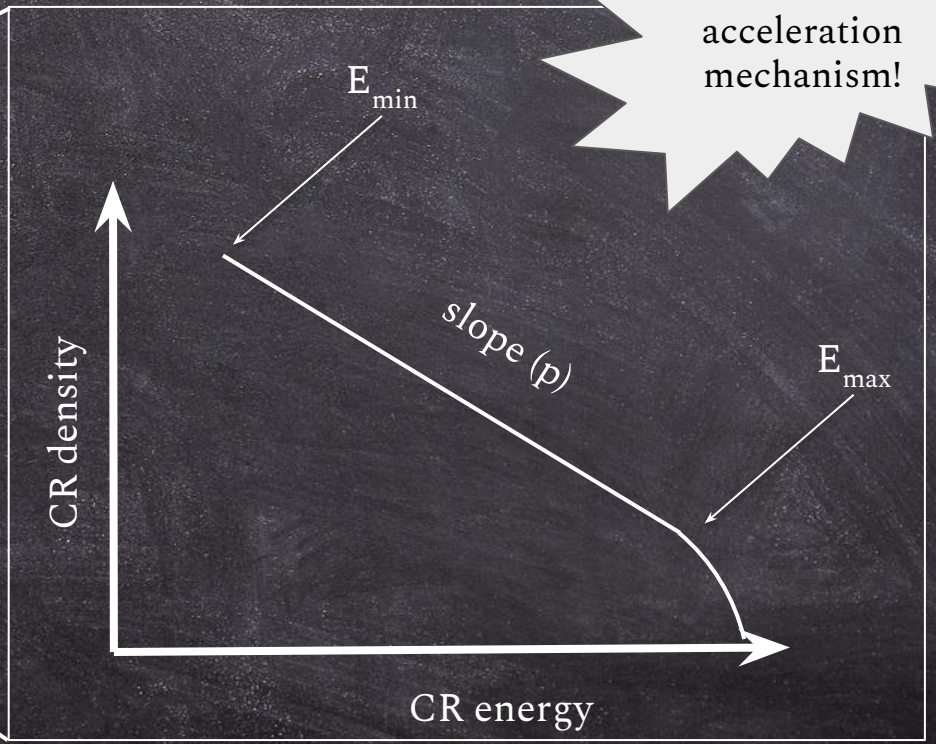
Supermassive BH
- powers jets

Jets
- accelerate CRs

Radio lobes
- feedback

Cosmic ray (CR) acceleration in AGN jets





CR acceleration mechanism!

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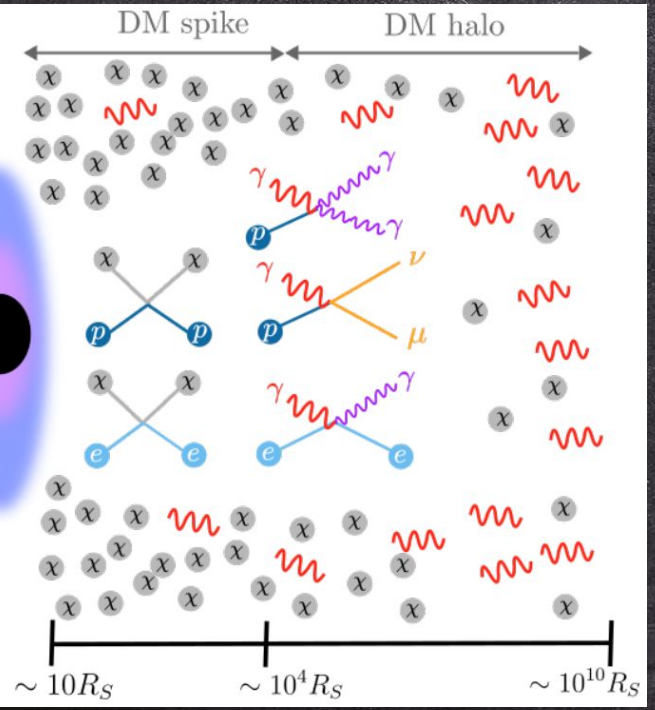

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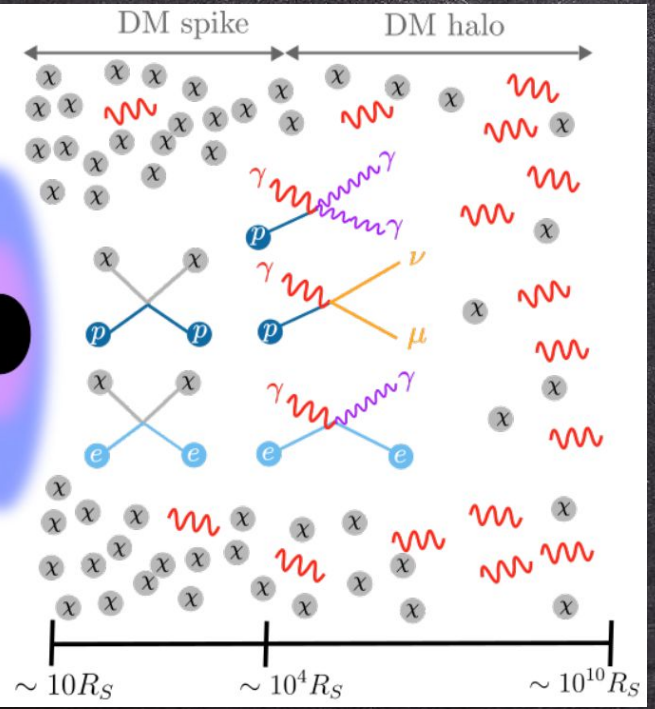

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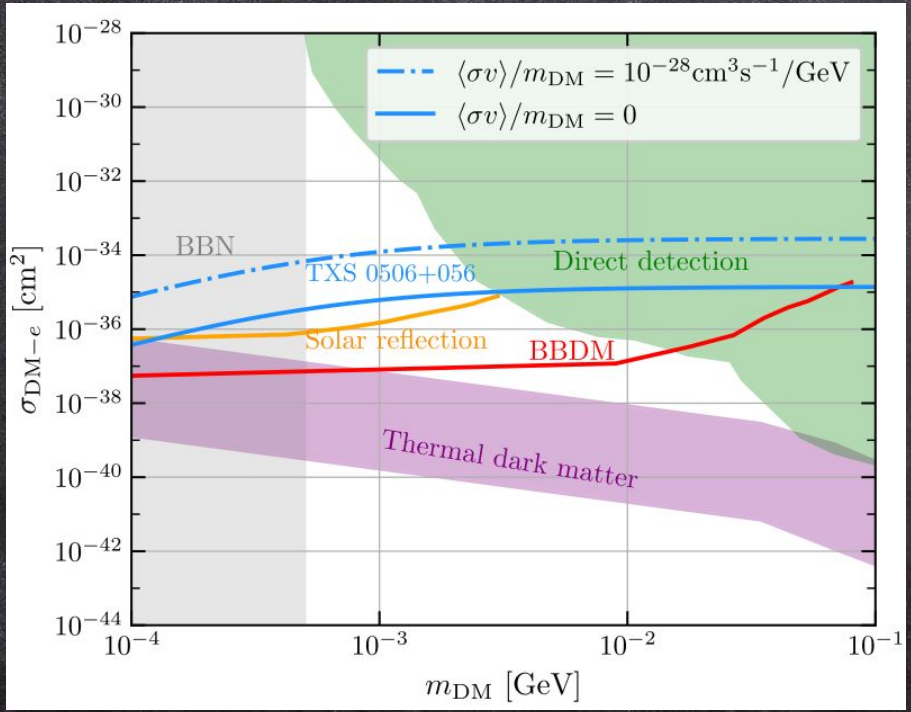

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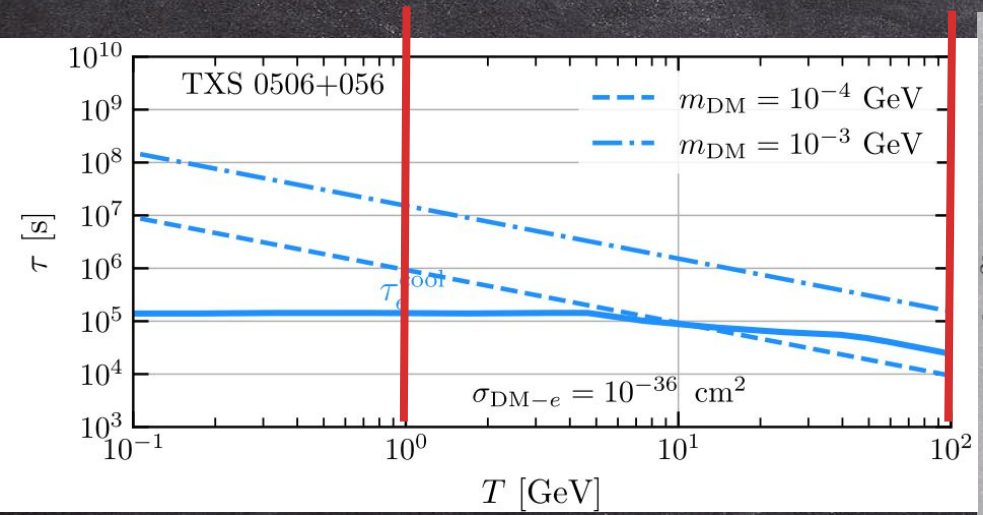

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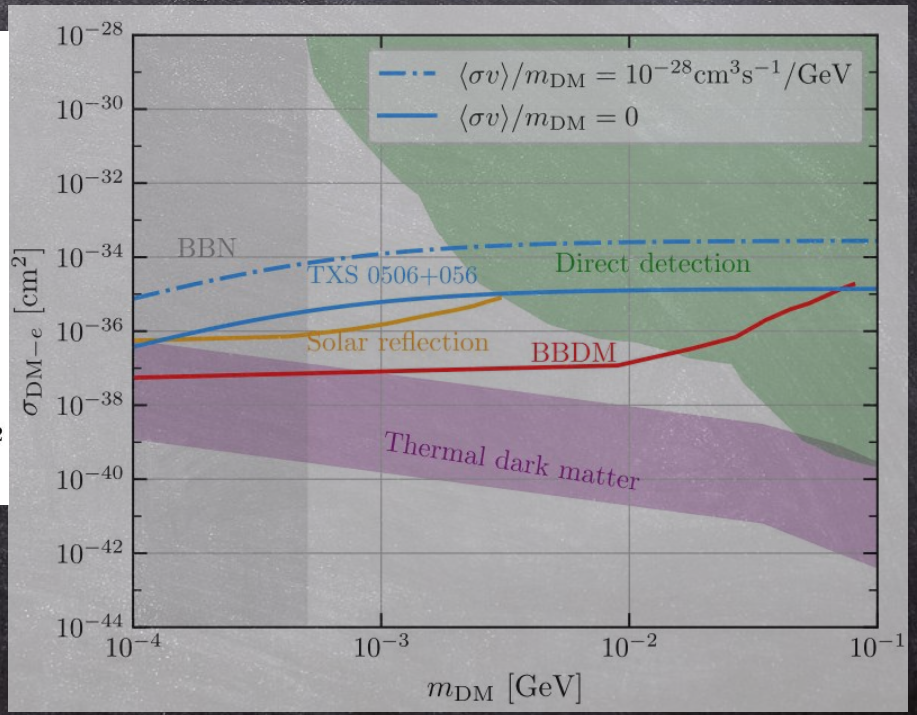

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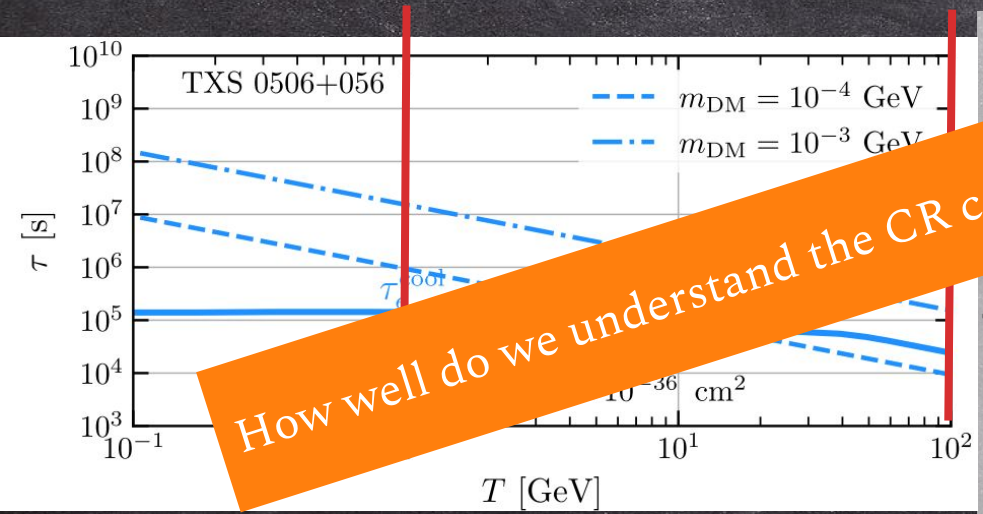

How well do we understand the CR cooling?

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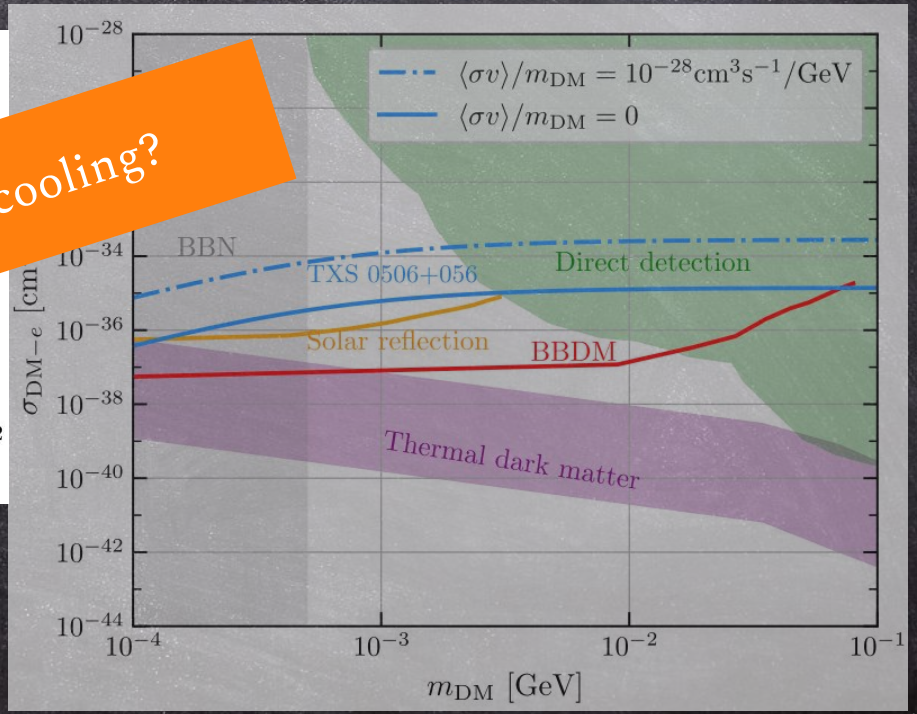
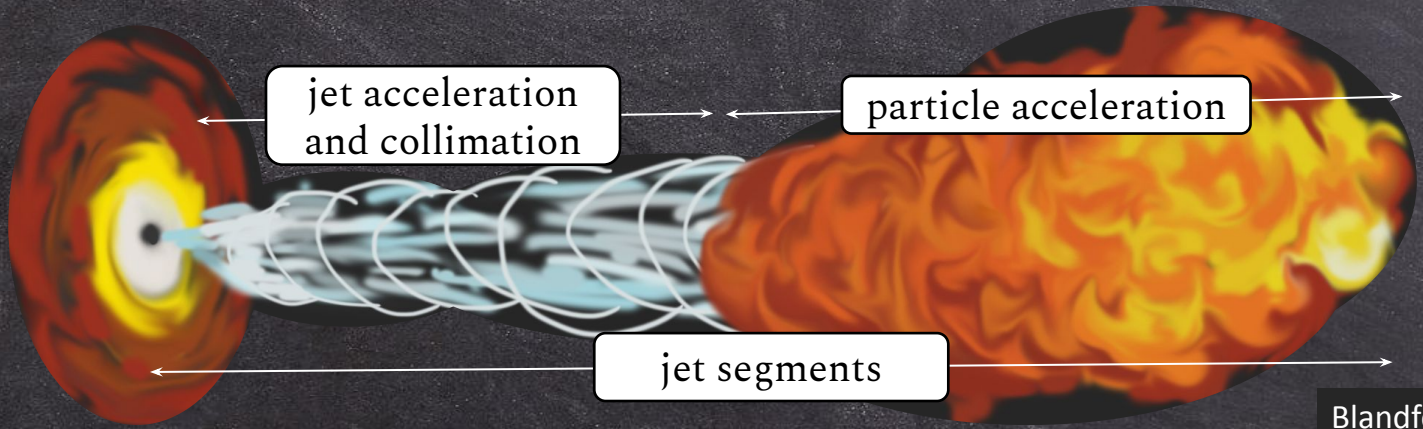


Semi-analytical, multi-zone jet model

`BHJet`: a multi-zone model (Lucchini..., **DK** et al. 2022)



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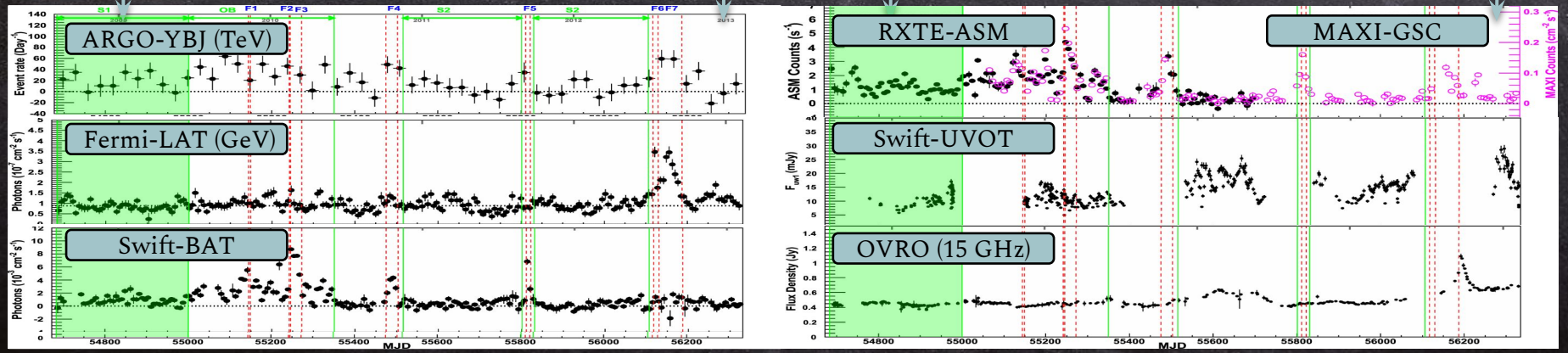
Blandford & Königl 1979;
Hjellming & Johnston 1988;
Falcke & Biermann 1995;
Markoff et al. 2001, 2005;
Maitra et al. 2009;
Crumley et al. 2017;
Lucchini et al. 2019, 2022**;**
Kantzas et al. 2021, 2022, 2023a

The study case of Markarian 421

- BL Lac object
- @122Mpc (z=0.0308)
- The 1st extragalactic TeV source (Punch et al. 1992)
- One of the brightest quasars

2009 2013 2009 2013

Bartoli et al. 2016



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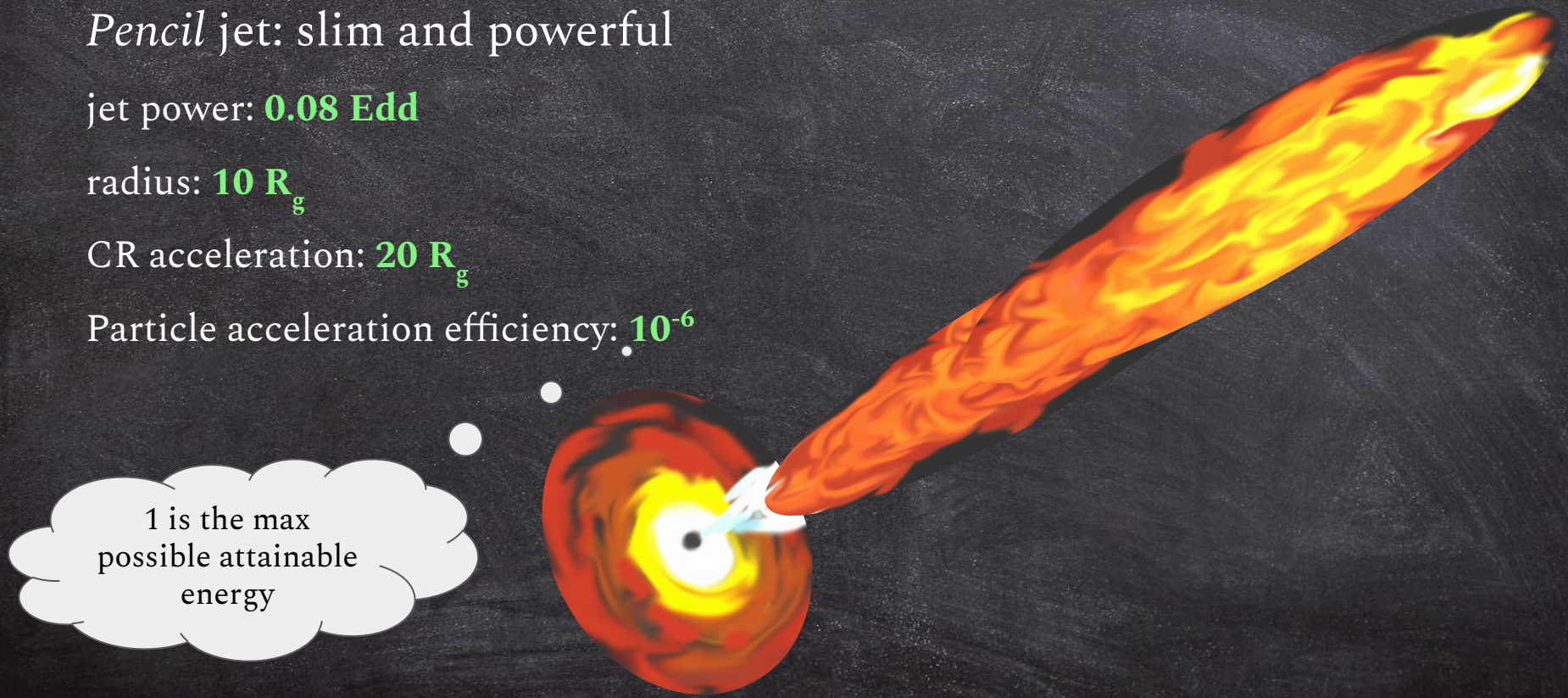

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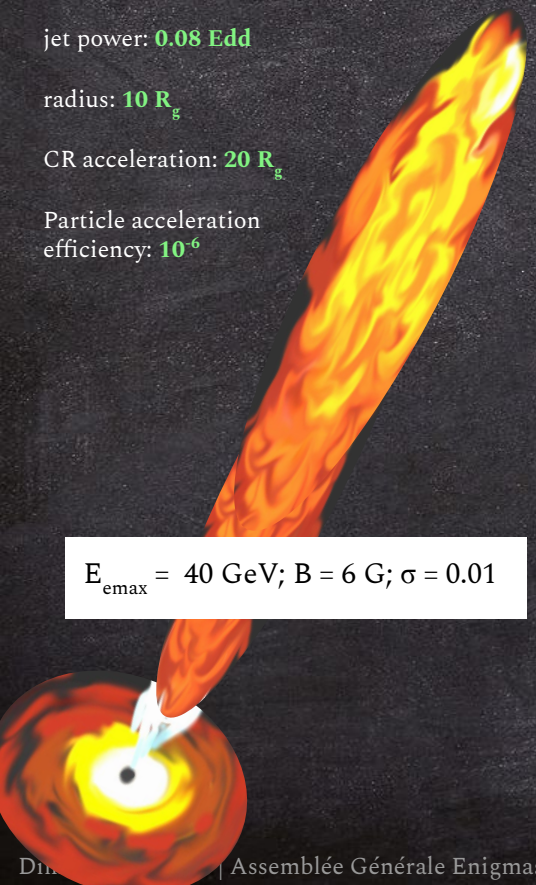

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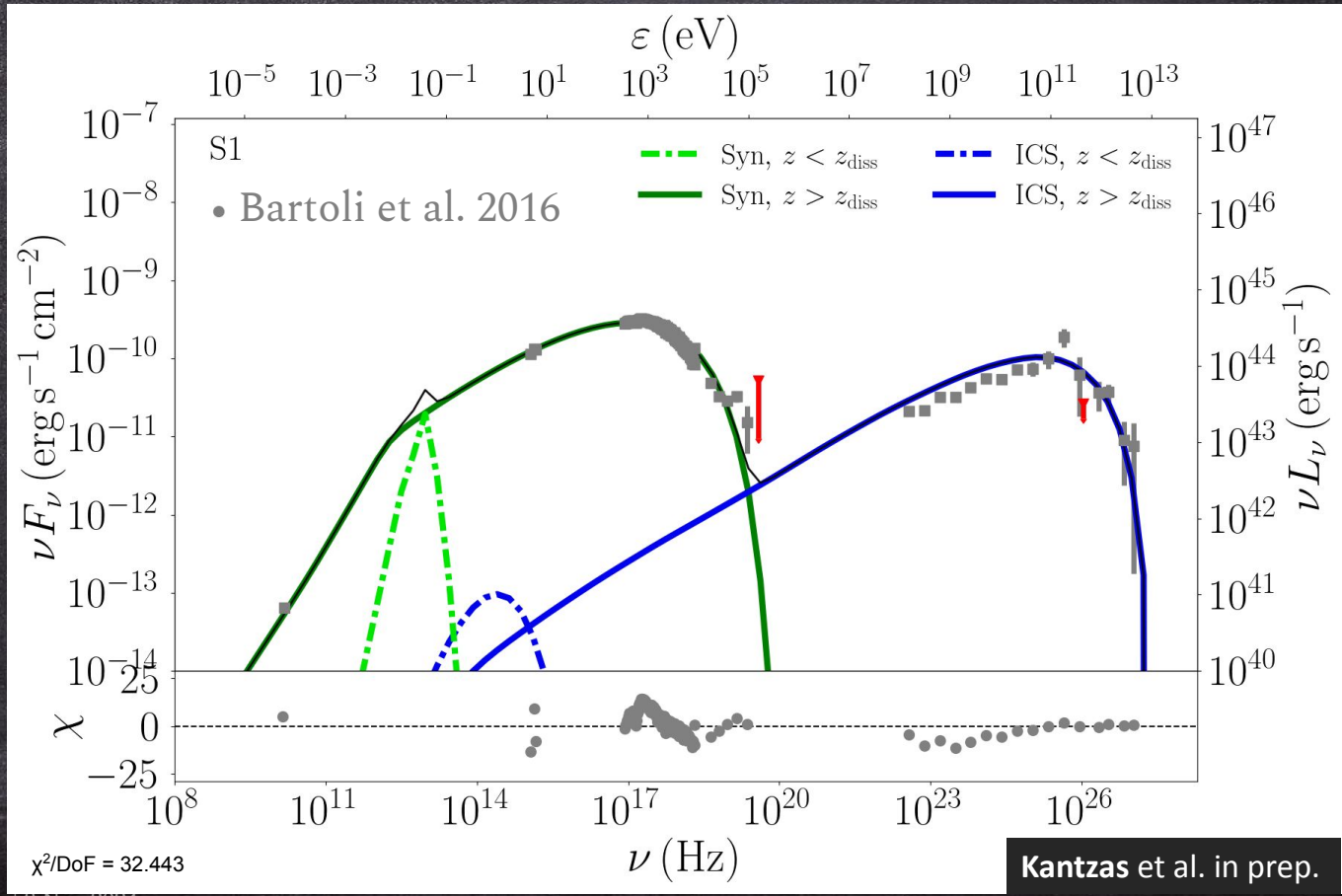

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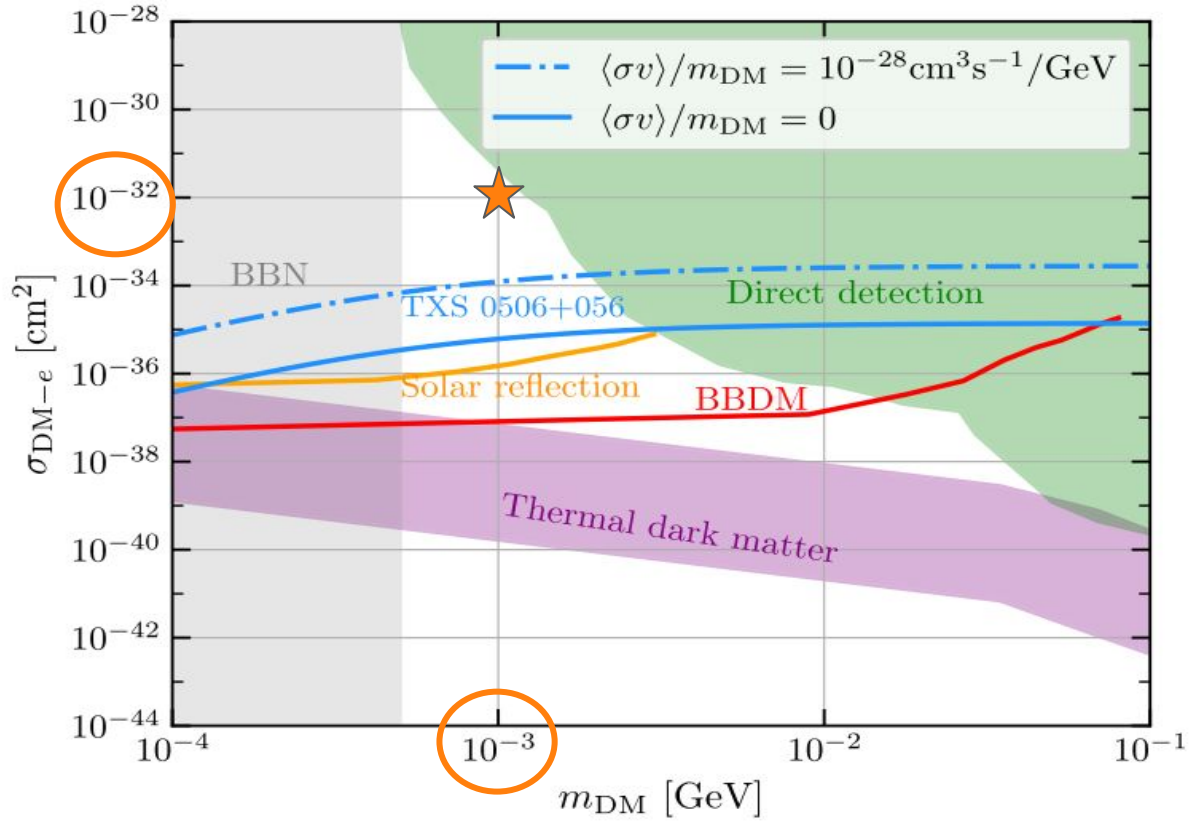

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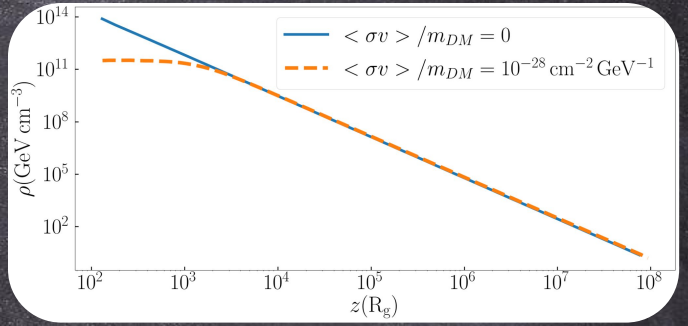

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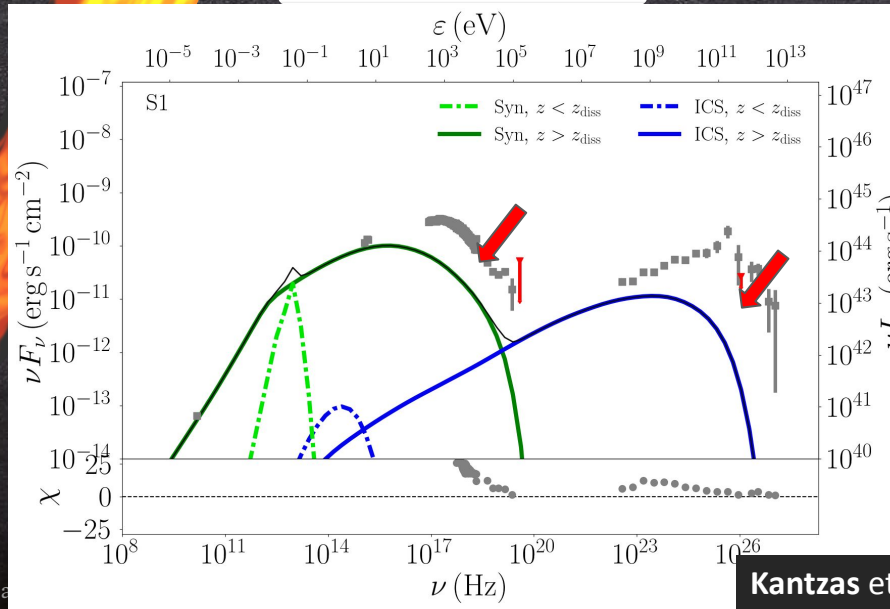

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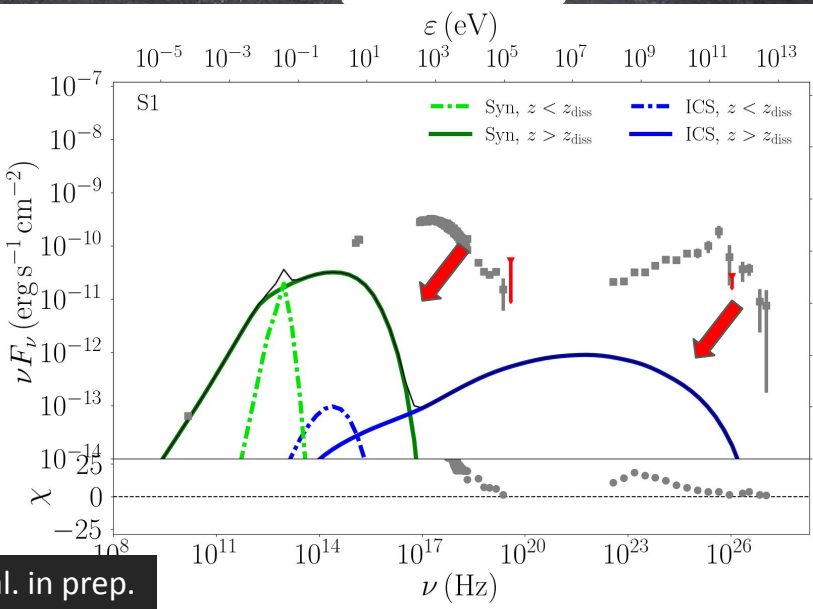

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The cooling timescales

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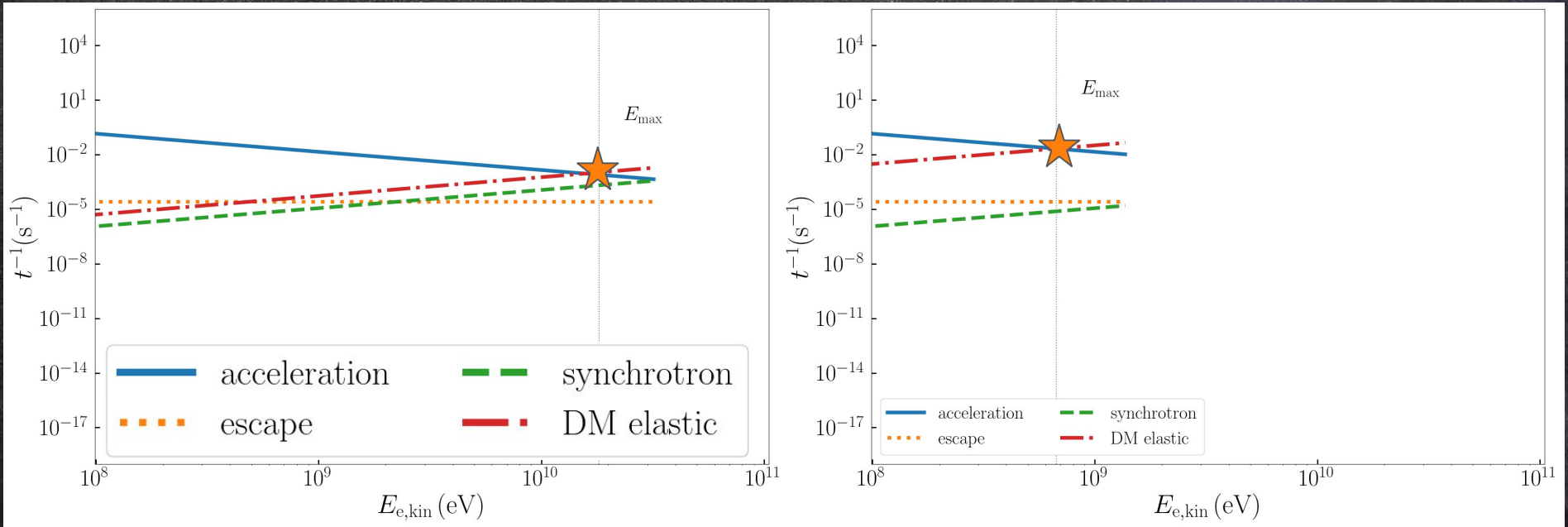

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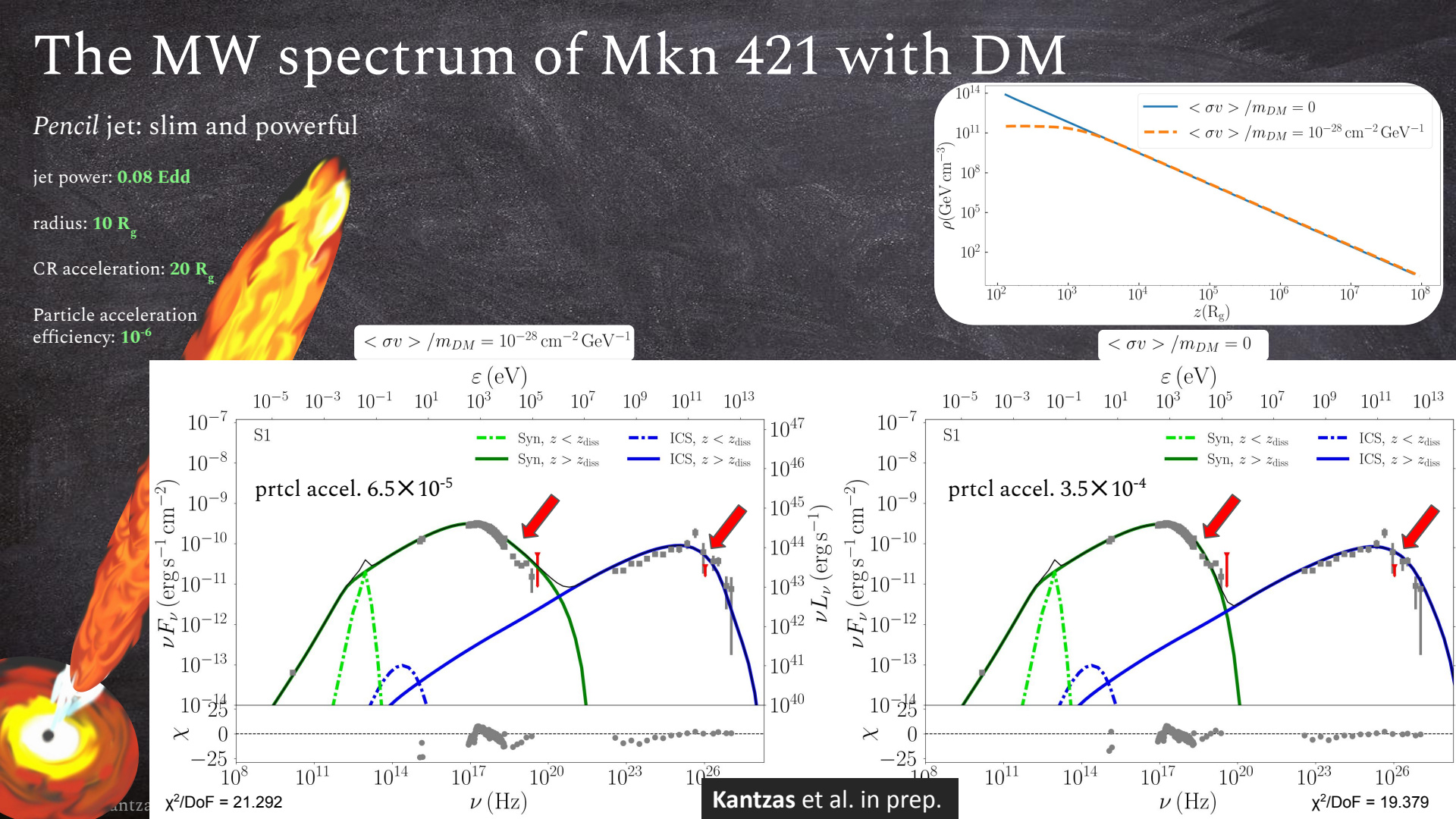

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Conclusions

- CRs may cool due to CR-DM collisions !
- We cannot draw conclusions on the DM nature unless we better constrain jet physics !!
- More physically driven jet models are required !!!