Indirect searches with Galactic Cosmic Rays

I – Galactic cosmic rays (GCR)
II – GCR phenomenology: basics
II – Status of recent measurements
III – Conclusions

N.B.: dark matter candidate in the GeV-TeVmass range







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1. Source injection







Particles reaching Earth come from:

- whole diffusive volume for stable species
- small volume (~ 100 pc) for radioactive nuclei and high energy electrons
- \rightarrow different species sample different regions of the Galaxy

Taillet & Maurin (2003) Maurin & Taillet (2003)



(astrophysics + particle physics)



Indirect detection







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- \rightarrow Calibrate transport (model vs data): B/C, ¹⁰Be/⁹Be
- \rightarrow Calculate rare secondary fluxes (e⁺, anti-p, anti-d, diffuse γ -rays)
- \rightarrow Excess from DM annihilation?

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- 3. Earth magnetic shield \rightarrow Spectra and abundances (acceleration and transport) \rightarrow Cut-off rigidity for detectors size ~ 30 kpc size $\sim 10^4$ km <t> ~ 20 Myrx 10⁷ k A. Garlick / space-art.co.u x 10⁵ size ~ 100 AU <t> ~ a few years 2. Transport in the Solar cavity
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A brief history of cosmic-ray measurements



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Transport equation: ingredients and solutions

1. Transport equations

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial N^{j}}{\partial t}}_{i} + \underbrace{\left(-\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(K(E,\vec{r})\vec{\nabla}\right)\right) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{V}(\vec{r})\right)}_{K^{j}} N^{j} + \underbrace{\left(\Gamma_{rad} + \Gamma_{inel}\right)}_{inel} N^{j} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial E}\left(b^{j}N^{j} - c^{j}\frac{\partial N^{j}}{\partial E}\right)}_{i} = \underbrace{Q^{j}(E,\vec{r}) + \sum_{m_{i} > m_{j}} \Gamma^{i \to j}N^{i}}_{m_{i} > m_{j}}$$

- Coupled set of second order differential equation (space and momentum)
- All nuclear species to consider

2. Ingredients

- Nuclear physics
- Solar physics [same transport equation, different environment/geometry/boundary conditions]
- Astrophysics environment [sources, gas distribution, radiation field in Galaxy, magnetic fields]

3. How to solve the transport equation?

- Numerical solution [discretisation using explicit or implicit schemes]
- Monte Carlo diffusion [forward and backward stochastic equation]
- Semi-analytical solutions [solve for simplified geometry: Green functions, Bessel expansion,...]

GALPROP: Strong et al. (1998) DRAGON: Evoli et al. (2008)

Faharat et al. (2008)

USINE: Maurin et al. (2001)

Transport equation: typical timescales

Adapted from Taillet (2010)



 \rightarrow "Local" origin (~ 100 pc) [local source or production]

Transport equation: 2 zone (thin disc+thick halo) model



Webber, Lee & Gupta (1992)



$$-\frac{d}{dz}\left\{K(z)\frac{dN}{dz}\right\} + \frac{d}{dz}[V_{\text{gal}}(z)N] + nv\sigma 2h\delta(z)N = q(z, E)$$

 \rightarrow simple, but captures all the physics

K0/L degeneracy: impact on dark matter signal



Transport parameters from B/C analysis

 $-KN'' + nv\sigma 2h\delta(z) \times N = 2h\delta(z)Q(E)$



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Coste et al. (2012)



Results and issues

- **Solution considered**
- 1. Degenerate transport parameters
- Use radioactive clocks ¹⁰Be
- Use secondary e⁺

Ptuskin et Soutoul '98 Donato et al. '03, Putze et al. '10

Lavalle et al., in prep

2. Systematic errors from nuc. phys.
Improve cross-sections
Use of quartet ratio
Use AMS Li flux

- \rightarrow Hard to achieve
- \rightarrow Works well!
- \rightarrow In progress...

\rightarrow B/C: better data from AMS-02 (preliminary) + CREAM high energy data



Anti-matter from dark matter: antiprotons

Previous B/C transport parameters (no free parameters) + nuclear X-sections



- 1. Good agreement between model and data (no dark matter needed)
- 2. Small propagation uncertainties (similar history as B/C)
- 3. Nuclear physics uncertainties > propagation uncertainties
- → Even with AMS-02 data, constraints on non-detection difficult to improve (still a window at high energy, i.e. TeV dark matter candidates)

Anti-matter from dark matter: antideuterons



- 1. Nuclear physics uncert. > propagation uncert. (worse than for antiprotons)
- 2. Propagation uncertainties for 'exotic' contrib. >> prop. uncert. 'standard' contrib.
- \rightarrow Antideuterons can exclude more DM models than antiprotons

[However, AMS-02 limits have to be reconsidered (with permanent magnet)]

 \rightarrow My favoured choice for DM constraints (~ 100 improvement w.r.t. current limits)

Anti-matter from dark matter: positrons

Positron fraction: origin of the rise at high energy



 \rightarrow 'Natural' astrophysical prediction (local SNRs, pulsars)

Anti-matter from dark matter: positrons



'Natural' astrophysical prediction [Delahaye et al. (2010)] VS

"fine-tuned" leptophilic boosted dark matter post-diction

[N.B.: no boost from dark matter substructures [Lavalle et al. 2008]] \rightarrow maybe worse place to look for dark matter (local sources): no control on astro. background!

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Indirect dark matter crisis?

No signal yet! And we are reaching limitations in many channels...

- \rightarrow Still room for high mass candidates in antiproton flux
- \rightarrow Antideuterons best target left for DM discovery
- \rightarrow If large L favoured, stronger constraints on DM candidates

[not discussed: multi-wavelength and multi-messenger studies]

Larger perspective: why so many improper claims for DM discovery?

Scarce data, data in extreme range of instrument capabilities, detector issue

- 1 GV & 10 GeV antiproton excess (in the 80's and 90's)
- 10 GeV HEAT positron fraction bump (in the 90')
- 10 GeV EGRET excess (in the 00')
- 500 GeV ATIC excess (in 2008)

Correct data, but too biased to see the astrophysics

- 511 keV annihilation line (INTEGRAL/SPI)
- Rise of the positron fraction (PAMELA/AMS-02)

Correct, but too much data for our own good (Fermi-LAT, AMS-02 era)

- 10 GeV annihilation line in the galactic centre
- 130 GeV line in the Galactic center
- 110 and 130 GeV line in galaxy cluster

Exquisite AMS-02 data in the coming years...