

# Constraining annihilating Dark Matter with the Cosmic Microwave Background

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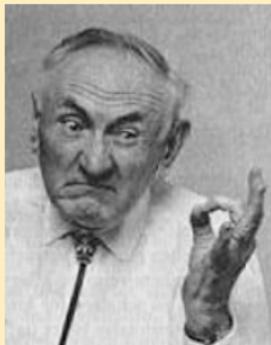
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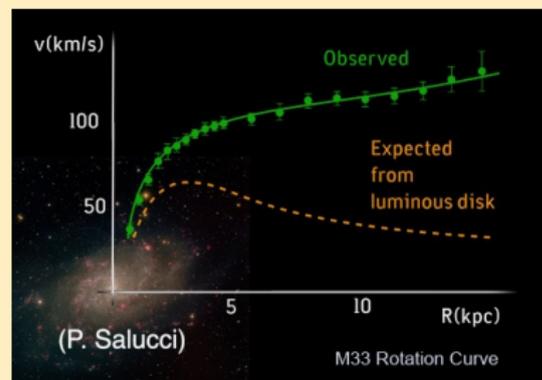
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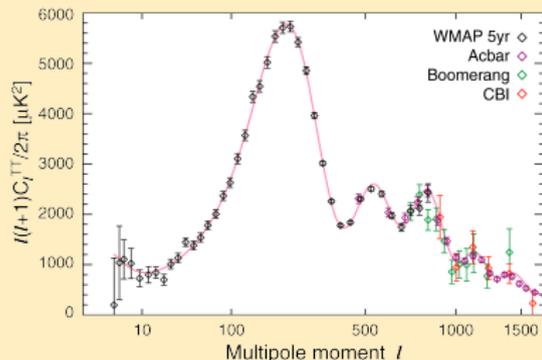


1970's: Ruben et al. find that rotation curves of gases in **galaxies** are too fast for visible mass



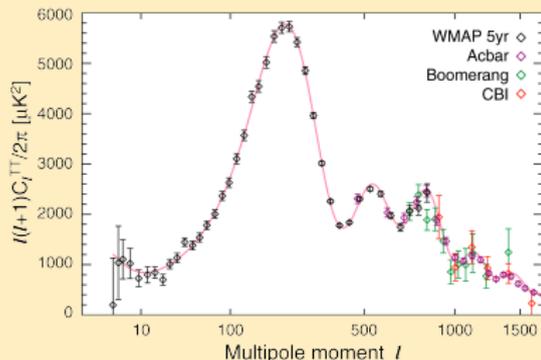
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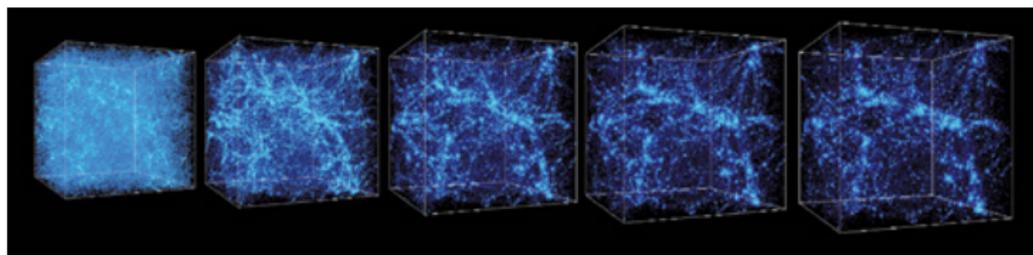
(image: not the bullet cluster!)

# What is dark matter?

From gravity, we know it must have

- Galaxies + CMB: very **small self-interaction** cross-section (to form “fluffy” structures);
- CMB, lensing: Very **small interaction with the SM** ;
- CMB, LSS: Massive enough to be **non-relativistic** (CDM) or **mildly relativistic** (WDM) at decoupling;
- Abundance (where  $\Omega_i = \rho_i/\rho_c$ ):

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Omega_{DM}}{\Omega_{SM}} = \frac{0.111h^{-2}}{0.0226h^{-2}} = 4.9$$



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Whatever the channel, a thermal origin implies ongoing interaction between WIMPs, from decoupling to the present-day halos.

**Could we see such a signature?**

# what do we know about DM's particle properties?

- **Direct detection** experiments search for nuclear recoils caused by DM-SM collisions
- **Collider searches** (i.e. LHC) look for missing energy from collisions
- **Indirect searches** give us a multitude of opportunities:
  - Direct annihilation signals: dwarf galaxies, the GC (e.g. Fermi line)
  - Diffuse gamma rays
  - Neutrinos from the sun
  - Intergalactic heating
  - Excess antimatter (positrons, anti-deuterons, etc.)
  - the CMB...

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- As expansion forces the fluid to cool, hydrogen recombines. Once  $T \sim 0.1 \times 13.6$  eV, photons can no longer excite H atoms. They **decouple**, streaming away until the present.

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CMB photons have a **long way** to travel from last scattering. What if there's an extra source of energy along the way from DM? Will it increase their chance of rescattering? **Can we detect it?**

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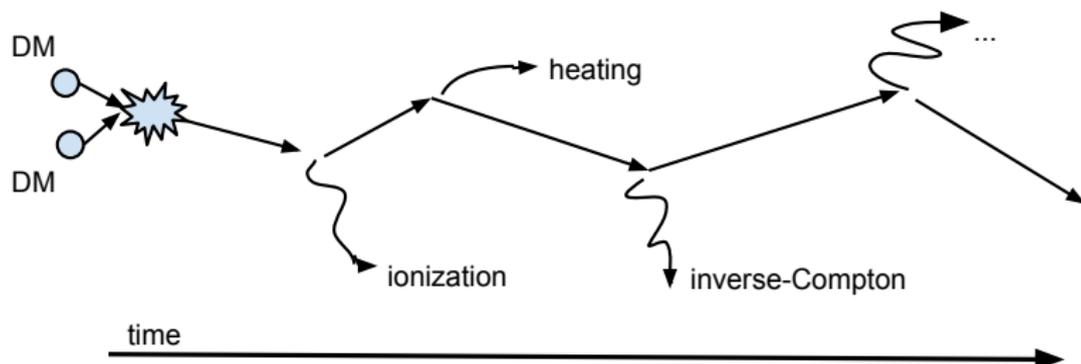
**Deposited** energy is a different story

- Final-state invisible particles (e.g. **neutrinos**) do not heat the IGM
- Deposition efficiency will depend on the transparency of the IGM to the daughter particles  $i$  at each redshift  $z$  and energy  $E_i$ .
- Heating and ionization are due to electromagnetic processes. Therefore the final states that matter are **electrons**, **positrons** and **photons**.

# Energy deposition into the IGM

## Proper calculation of the deposition efficiency

- 1 At a given redshift  $z$ , calculate the final-state spectrum  $dN_i/dE_i$  for  $i = \{e^+, e^-, \gamma\}$
- 2 Calculate the energy loss to (inverse) Compton scattering, Coulomb scattering, (photo) ionization or pair-production for each species.
- 3 Step forward to the next value of  $z$ , given the new  $E_i = E_{i,0} - E(z)'dz$ , including loss to **IGM** and to **redshift**.
- 4 Repeat.



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Numerator: properly computed energy deposition.

Denominator: normalization to (1).

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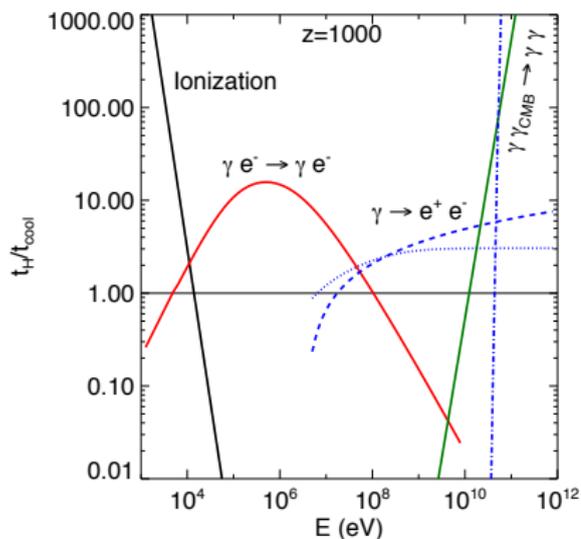
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Physics of the intergalactic medium.

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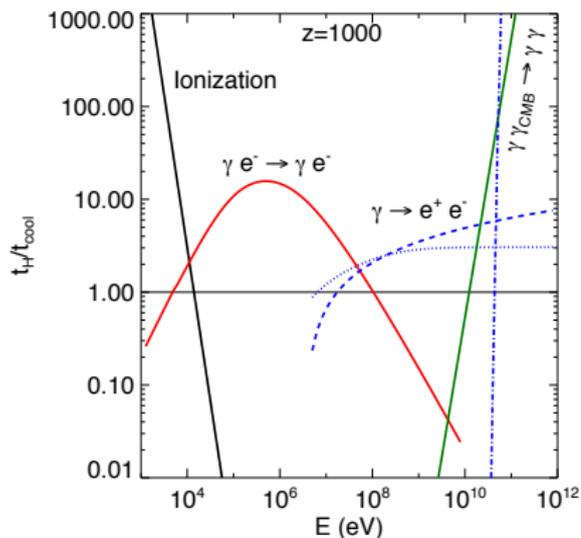


*Slatyer et al. 2009*

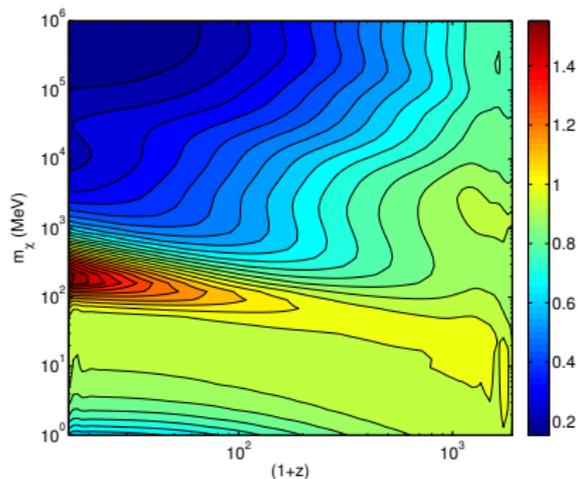
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# Energy injection effect on CMB photons

Extra deposited energy causes **heating** and **ionization**:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dT_m}{dz} &= -\frac{1}{(1+z)H(z)} \frac{2}{3k_B} \frac{g_h(z)}{N_H(z)[1+f_{\text{He}}+X_e]} \left(\frac{dE}{dtdV}\right)_{\text{deposited}} ; \\ \frac{dN_{\text{Is}}^{\text{HI}}}{dz} &= \frac{1}{(1+z)H(z)} \frac{1}{N_H(z)[1+f_{\text{He}}]} \frac{\tilde{g}_{\text{ion}}^{\text{H}}(z)}{E_{\text{ion}}^{\text{HI}}} \left(\frac{dE}{dtdV}\right)_{\text{deposited}} ; \\ \frac{dN_{\text{Is}}^{\text{HEI}}}{dz} &= \frac{1}{(1+z)H(z)} \frac{f_{\text{He}}}{N_H(z)[1+f_{\text{He}}]} \frac{\tilde{g}_{\text{ion}}^{\text{He}}(z)}{E_{\text{ion}}^{\text{HEI}}} \left(\frac{dE}{dtdV}\right)_{\text{deposited}} .\end{aligned}$$

$f_{\text{He}}$  Helium fraction;  
 $E_{\text{ion}}^i$  ionization potential;  
 $g_h, g_{\text{ion}}^i$  heating and ionization efficiencies.

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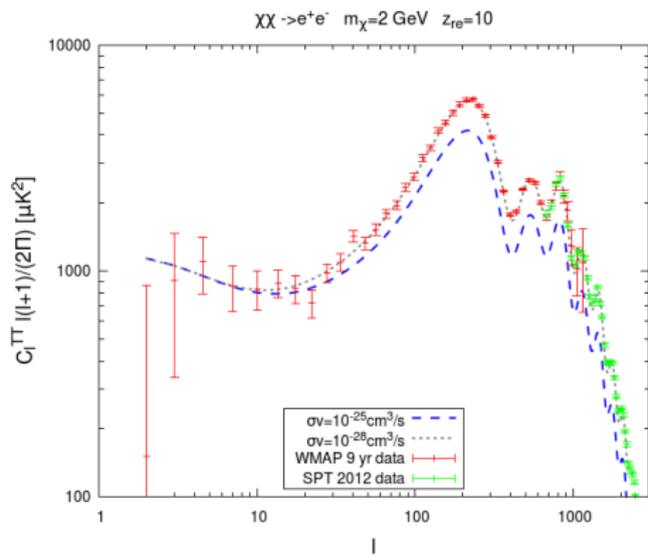
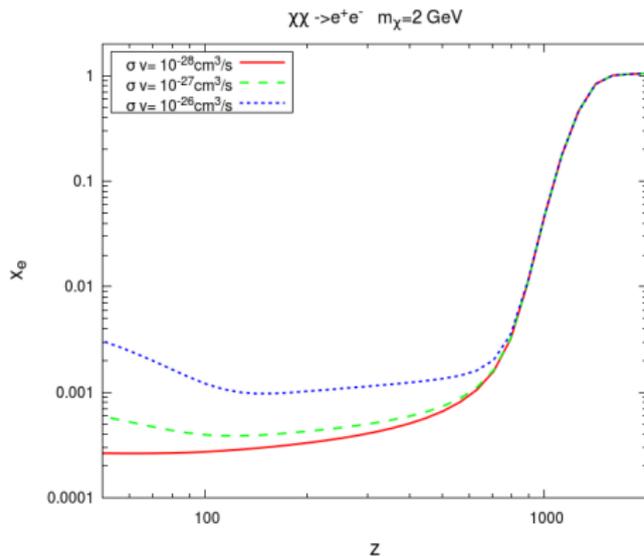
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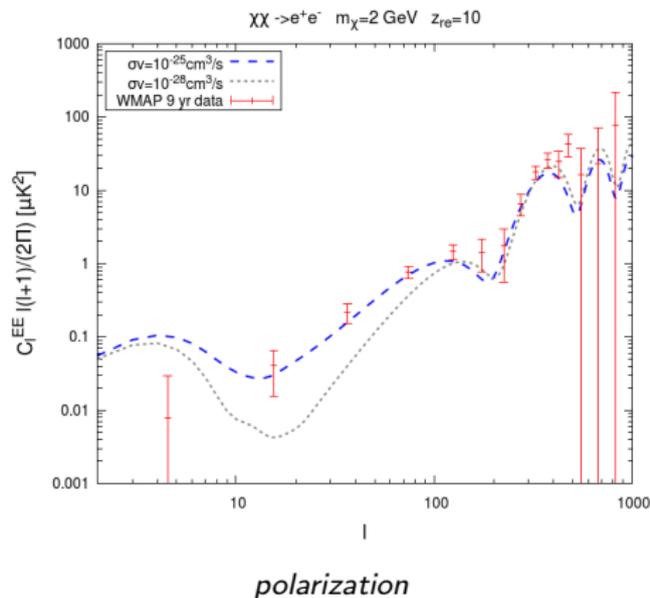
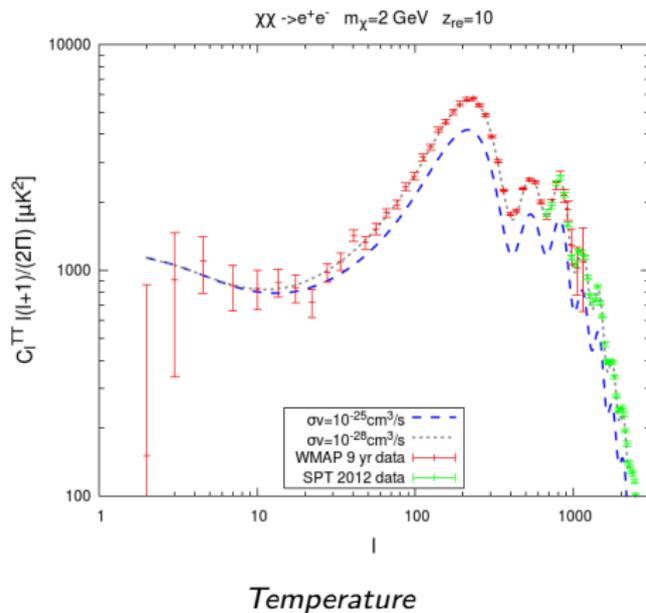
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  - Decreases polarization (as well as temperature) correlations on small scales (large  $l$ )
  - Increases polarization correlations on large scales ( $l \sim 2 - 200$ ) since only certain polarizations are rescattered toward us (like the sky).

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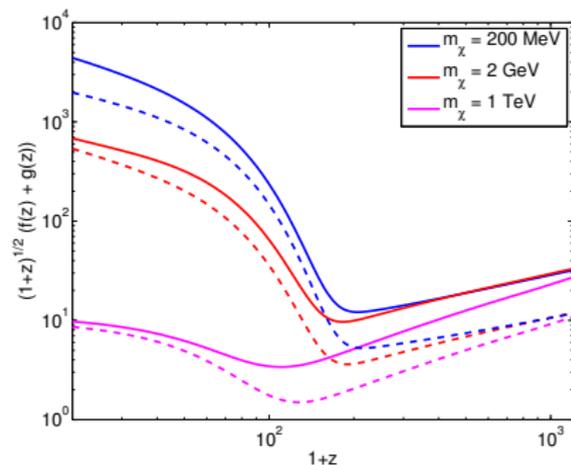
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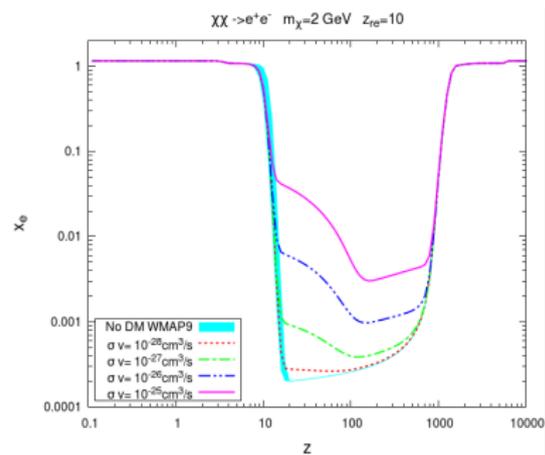
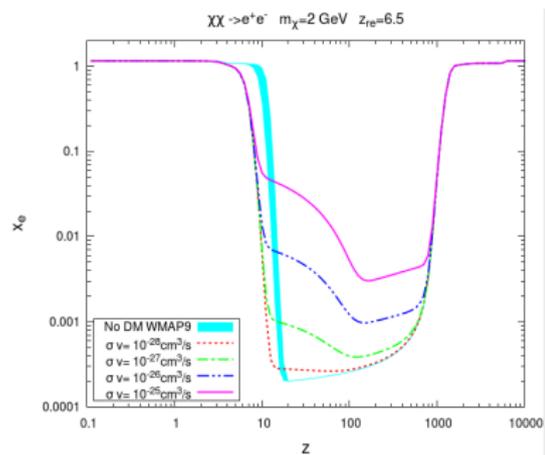
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# Full effect on the ionization history



## IV: Analysis

To properly constrain the DM cross-section, we perform a full Monte-Carlo for each  $m_\chi$  over:

$\Omega_b$	the baryonic content of the Universe;
$\Omega_{\text{CDM}}$	the dark matter content of the Universe;
$z_{\text{reio}}$	the time of reionization;
$n_s$	the scalar spectral index;
$A_s$	the primordial power spectrum;
$\langle\sigma v\rangle$	the DM self-annihilation cross-section.

For the numerics, we use CAMB, CosmoRec with CosmoMC for the Monte-Carlo.

**This allows us to extract  $2\sigma$  (95% c.l.) constraints on the thermally-averaged cross-section.**

## We use the following data:

- Nine-year WMAP CMB data;
- South Pole Telescope (Dec. 2012) CMB data;
- BAO measurements from BOSS DR9, LRG (DR7) 6dF Galaxy Survey and WiggleZ (different redshifts);
- Hubble Space Telescope (constraints on  $H_0$ ).

## ...and nuisance parameters:

- Sunyaev–Zel'dovich contribution  $A_{SZ}$ ;
- Amplitude of clustered point-source contribution  $A_C$ ;
- Amplitude of Poisson-distributed point sources  $A_P$ .

# The Model

We consider two channels of self-annihilating dark matter:

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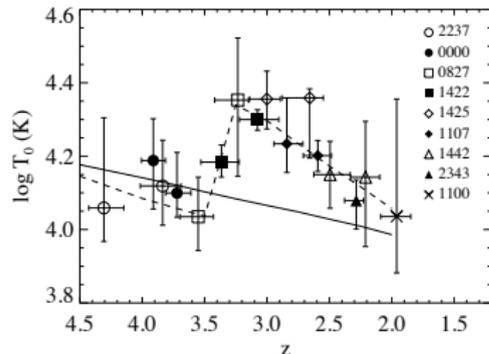
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These “leptophilic” channels will be the **most constrained**, since IGM heating is an **electromagnetic** process. Also interesting because they have been invoked to explain “anomalies” observed by PAMELA (high-E  $e^+$ ), INTEGRAL (low-E  $e^+$ ) and ARCADE (excess diffuse radio from synchrotron).

For many more channels see *e.g.* estimates by Cline & Scott 2013.

## Further constraints: $T_{IGM}$

The matter temperature of the intergalactic medium at redshifts 2 – 5 has been measured by Ly- $\alpha$  observations:



*Schaye et al. 2000*

This can be used (e.g. *Cirelli et al 2009*) to constrain the amount of energy injected by DM.

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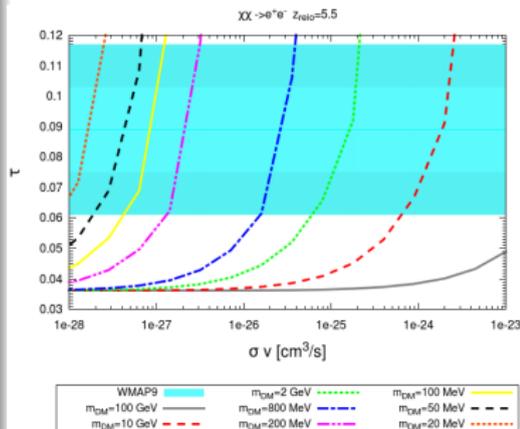
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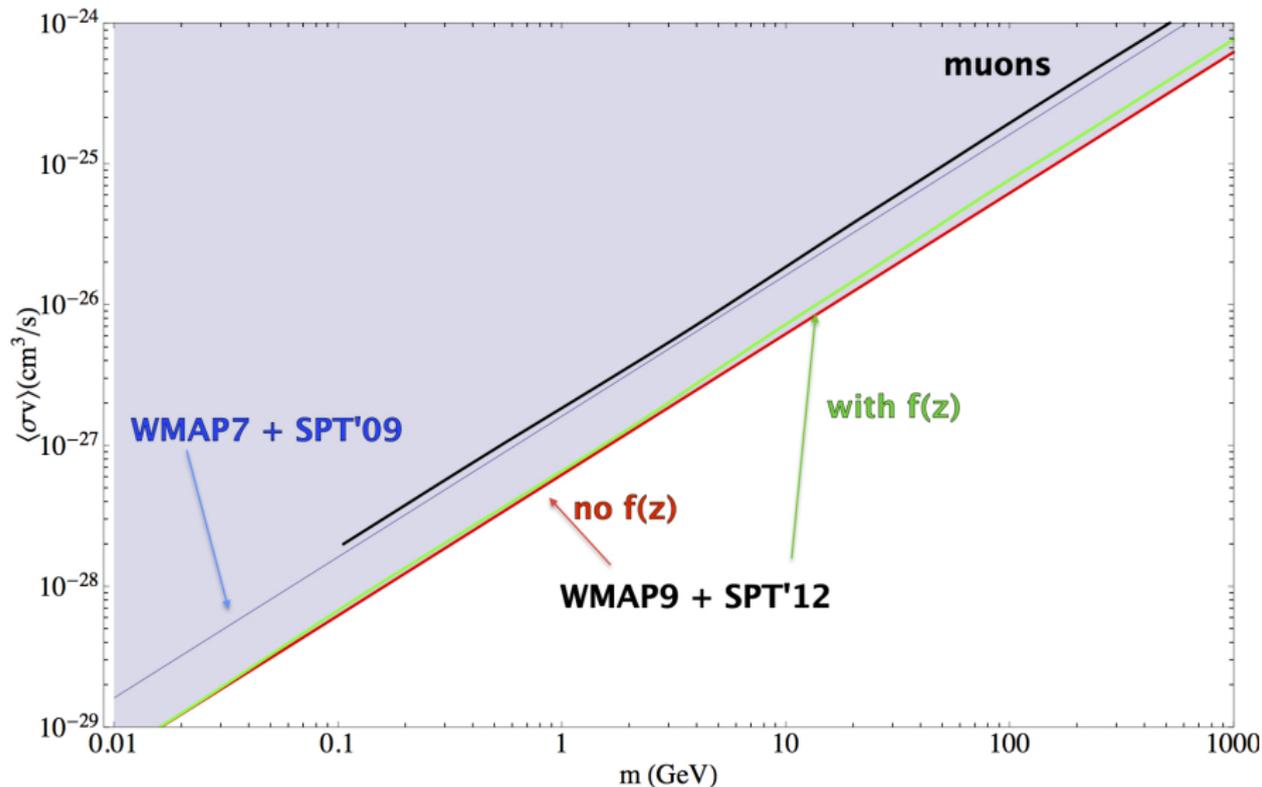
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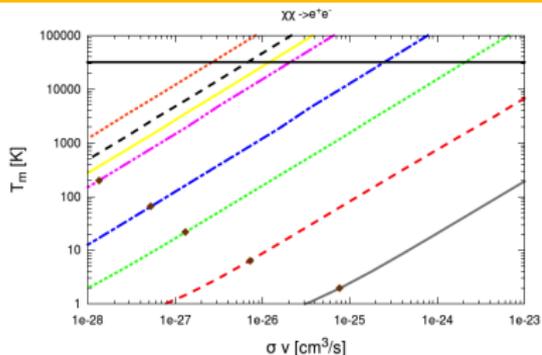
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(see *e.g.* *Lesgourgues 2012*)
- Unfortunately, the values of  $\langle \sigma v \rangle$  required to do so are, we will see, **badly excluded**



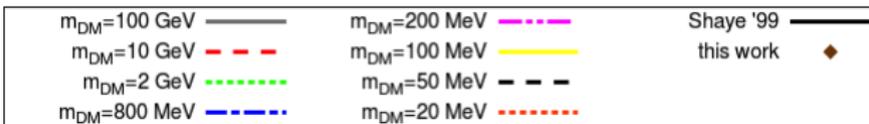
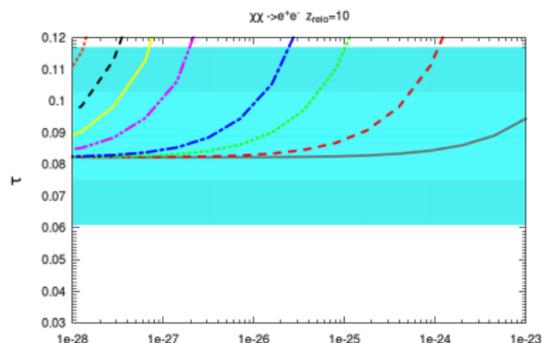
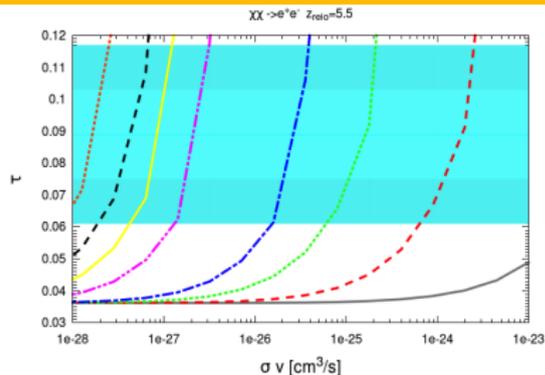
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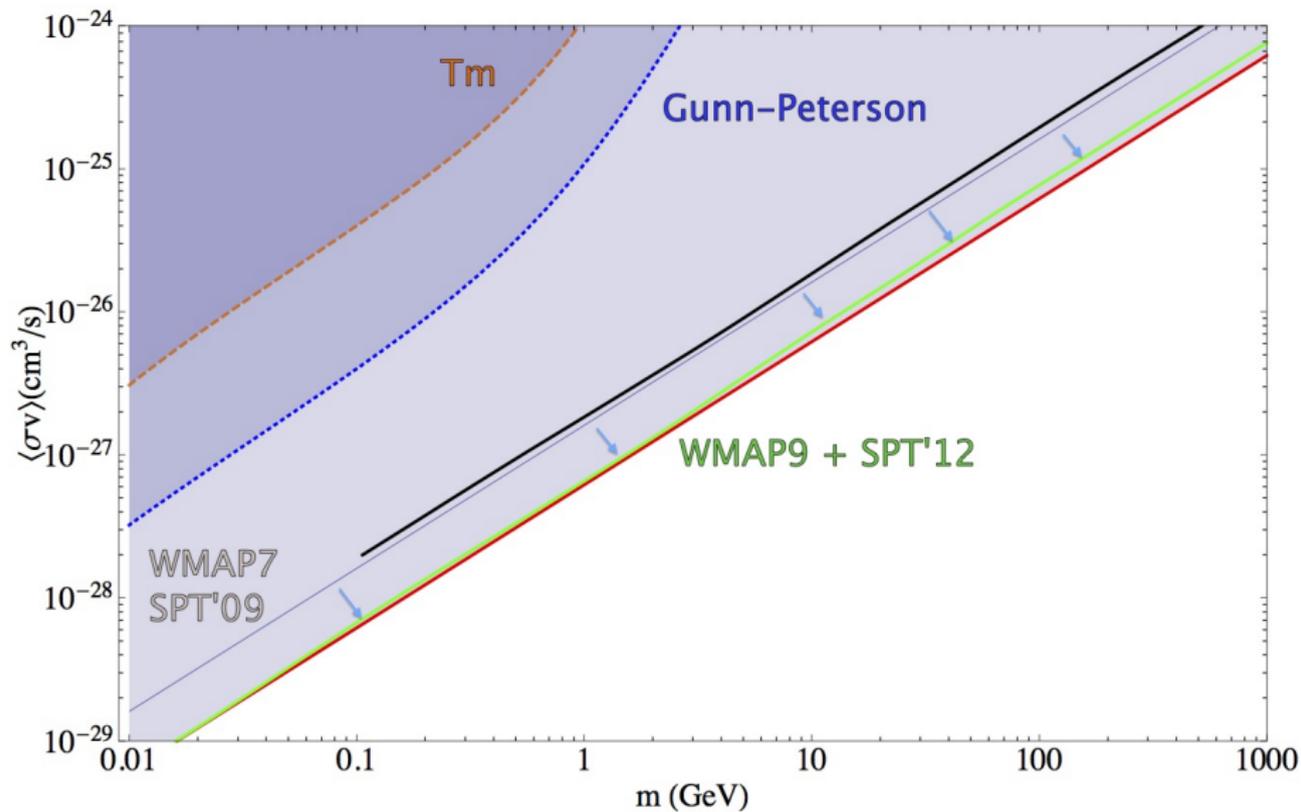
# Results: $T_m$ and $\tau$ (Top: $z_{\text{reio}} = 5.5$ ; Bottom: $z_{\text{reio}} = 10$ )



( $T$  from reionization not included)



# Results: all together



## Results: Salient points

- Improvement by a factor of  $\sim 3$  over WMAP7/SPT'09 bounds.
- $T_m$ , Gunn-Peterson bounds less constraining than CMB temperature and polarization data
- This means that early universe (broadening of last scattering surface) effects dominate over late-time (halo formation) effects
- Gunn-Peterson and WMAP cannot be brought back into agreement by using allowed  $(m_\chi, \langle\sigma v\rangle)$  combinations.

## V. Conclusions

- We have explored the effect of annihilating dark matter on the CMB temperature and polarization power spectra.
- We have included a full description of time- and energy-dependent deposition of DM energy into the IGM.
- Improved constraints by using CMB (WMAP9 + SPT), Ly- $\alpha$  ( $T$  and  $\tau$ ) and BAO surveys.
- Excluded annihilating  $\chi\chi \rightarrow e^+e^-$  with the thermal abundance cross-section for  $m_\chi \lesssim 30$  GeV.
- Ibid. for  $\chi\chi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  for  $m_\chi \lesssim 10$  GeV.
- $t$  minus 1 week for Planck data: let's see what they have in store for us!

Parameter	Prior
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.005 $\rightarrow$ 0.1
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.01 $\rightarrow$ 0.99
$\Theta_s$	0.5 $\rightarrow$ 10
$z_{\text{reio}}$	6 $\rightarrow$ 12
$n_s$	0.5 $\rightarrow$ 1.5
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$	2.7 $\rightarrow$ 4
$\langle \sigma v \rangle / (3 \cdot 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3/\text{s})$	$10^{-5} \rightarrow 10^{2.5}$

**Table:** Uniform priors for the cosmological parameters considered here.

# halo mass function

