

# Expected exclusion limits to TeV dark matter from the Perseus Cluster with CTA

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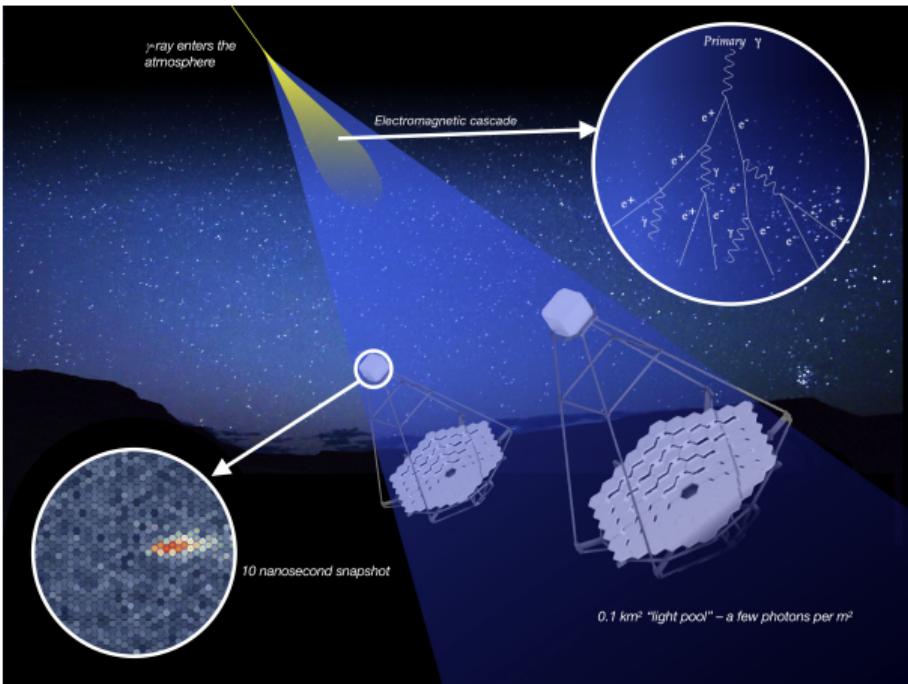
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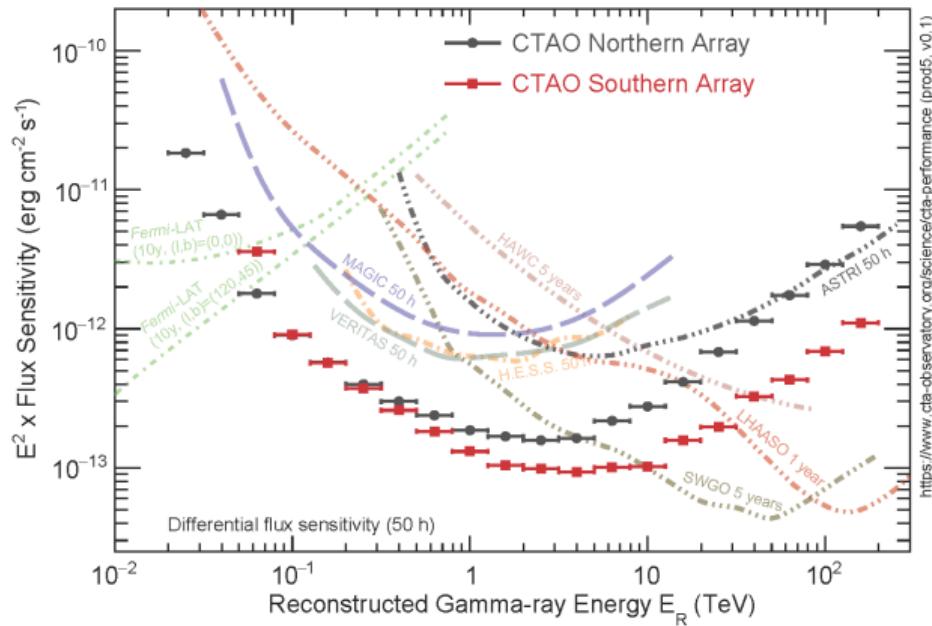


CTA is one of the next generation ground-based gamma-ray observatories

1. Energy range from 20GeV up to 300TeV
2. All-Sky Coverage: Two arrays of Imaging Air Cherenkov Telescopes (IACTs)
  - 1) CTA North [La Palma, Canary Islands, Spain]
  - 2) CTA South [Cerro Paranal, Chile]



# CTA Performance

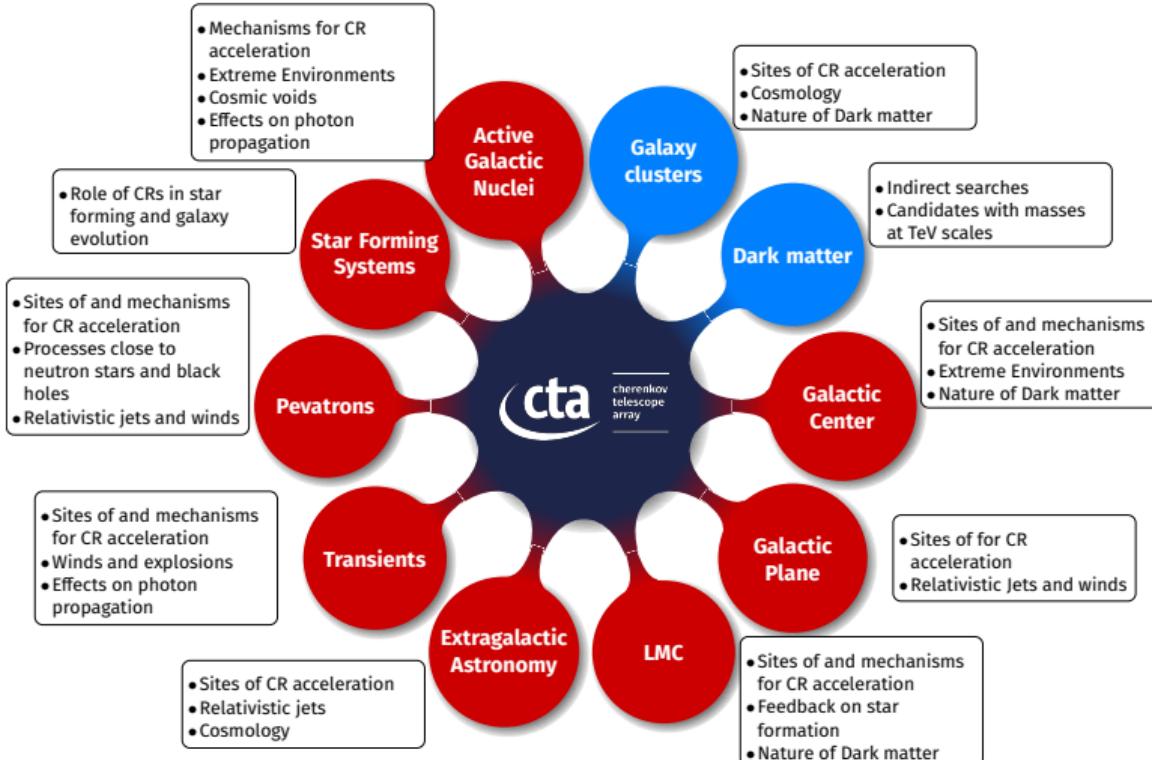


1. Better energy resolution
2. 10× improvement in Sensitivity
3. Rapid response to follow up of transients
4. Large Field of View
5. Better Angular resolution

# CTA Key Science Programs



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# Dark matter

# Dark Matter

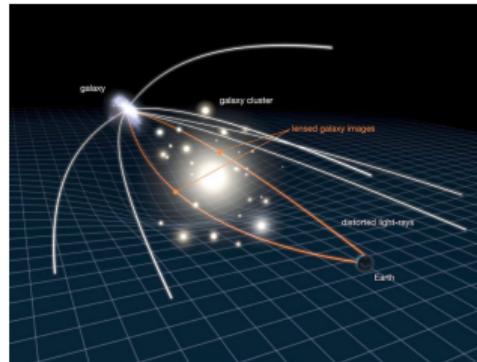


There is a lot of evidence pointing to the existence of dark matter, but the nature of dark matter is still unknown

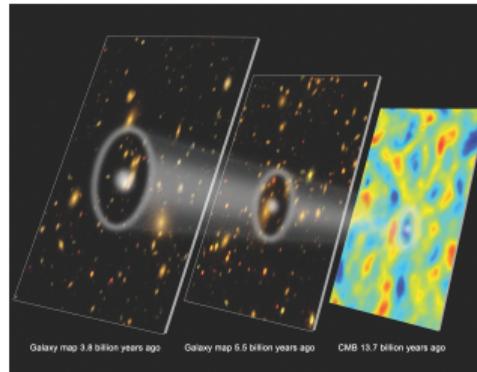
1. Rotation curve of galaxies
2. Gravitational lensing
3. Acoustic oscillations

It is estimated that dark matter represents  $\approx 27\%$  of the content of the Universe

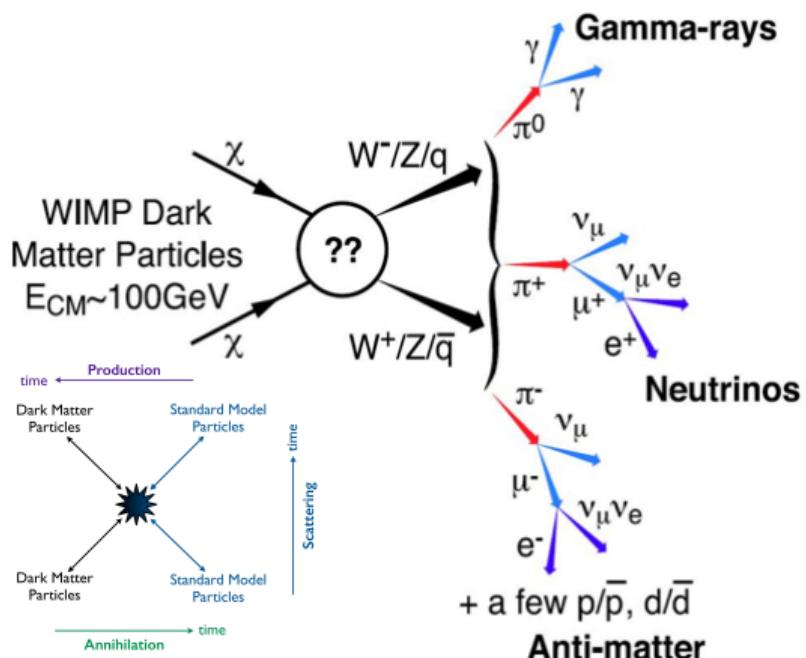
NASA; ESA



[SDSS-III;  
South Pole  
Telescope;  
Zosia Rosto-  
mian.]



# Indirect Searches



[Fermi Space Telescope; NASA]

1. Weakly Interactive Massive Particles (WIMPs)
2. Candidates with masses at TeV scales
3. Annihilation and decay of WIMPs
4. Continuum and line-emission spectra

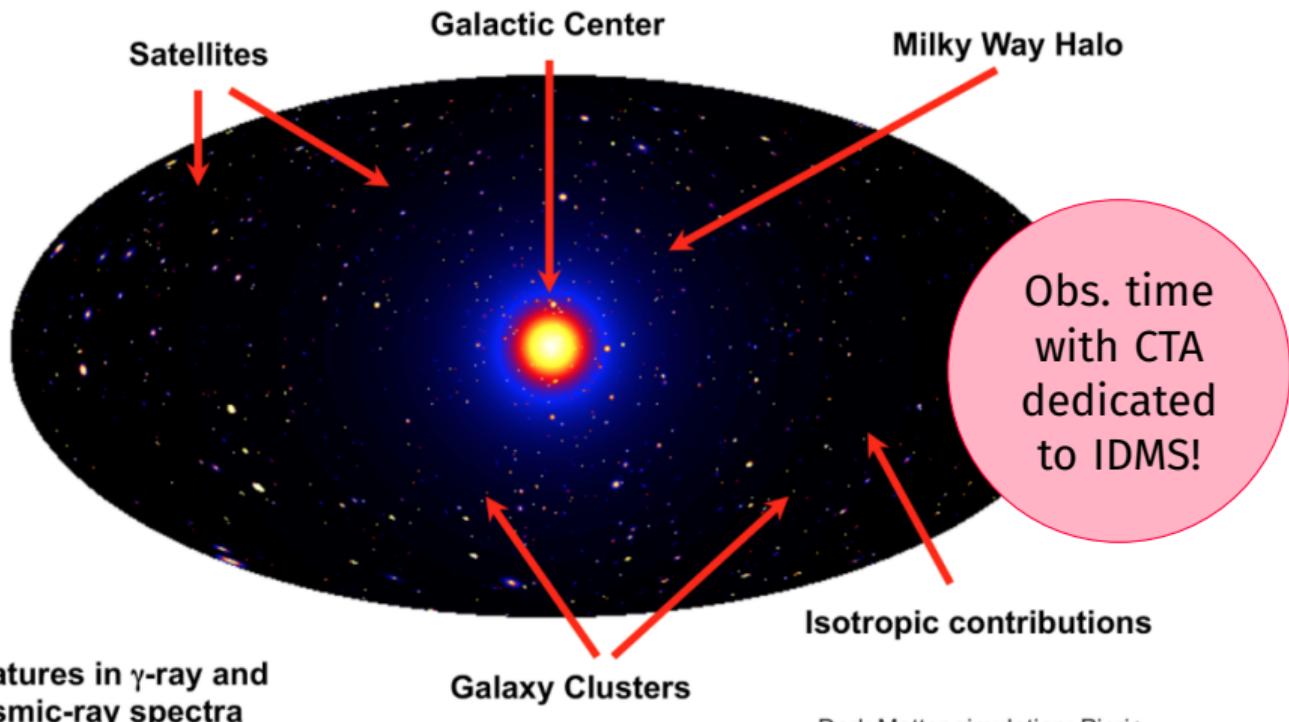
$$\frac{d\Phi^{\text{ann}}}{dE} = \underbrace{\frac{\langle\sigma v\rangle}{8\pi m^2} \frac{dN}{dE}}_{\text{P.P. term}} \underbrace{\int \int \rho_{\text{DM}}^2 dl d\Omega}_{\text{J factor}}$$

$$\frac{d\Phi^{\text{dec}}}{dE} = \underbrace{\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi m} \frac{dN}{dE}}_{\text{P.P. term}} \underbrace{\int \int \rho_{\text{DM}} dl d\Omega}_{\text{D factor}}$$

# Where to look for dark matter



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Dark Matter simulation: Pieri+  
[2011PhRvD..83b3518P](#)

# **Perseus Cluster**

# Perseus Cluster



$z$	0.01784	$d_{\text{L}}$	75.01 Mpc
$M_{200}$	$7.5 \times 10^{14} M_{\odot}$	$(l, b)$	(150.5, 13.26)
$r_s$	370.8 kpc	$\theta_{200}$	1.42 deg



[Gendron-Marsolais et al.; NRAO/AUI/NSF;  
NASA; SDSS]

NGC 1275	IC 310
$l = 150.58$ deg	$l = 150.18$ deg
$b = -13.26$ deg	$b = -13.74$ deg



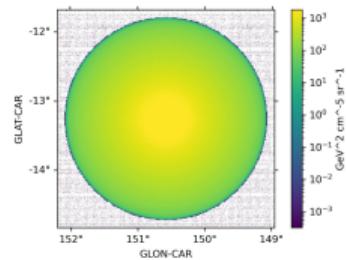
[L. Frattare; Fabian et al;  
NRAO/VLA/NSF; NASA; SDSS]

# Dark matter Modelling

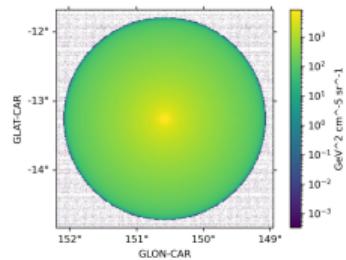


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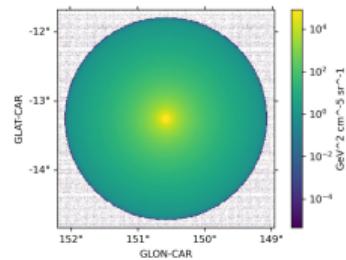
[J. Pérez-Romero & M. A. Sánchez-Conde, IFT-UAM]



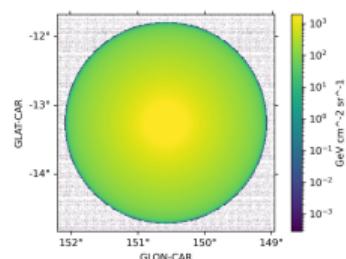
J-Max



J-Med



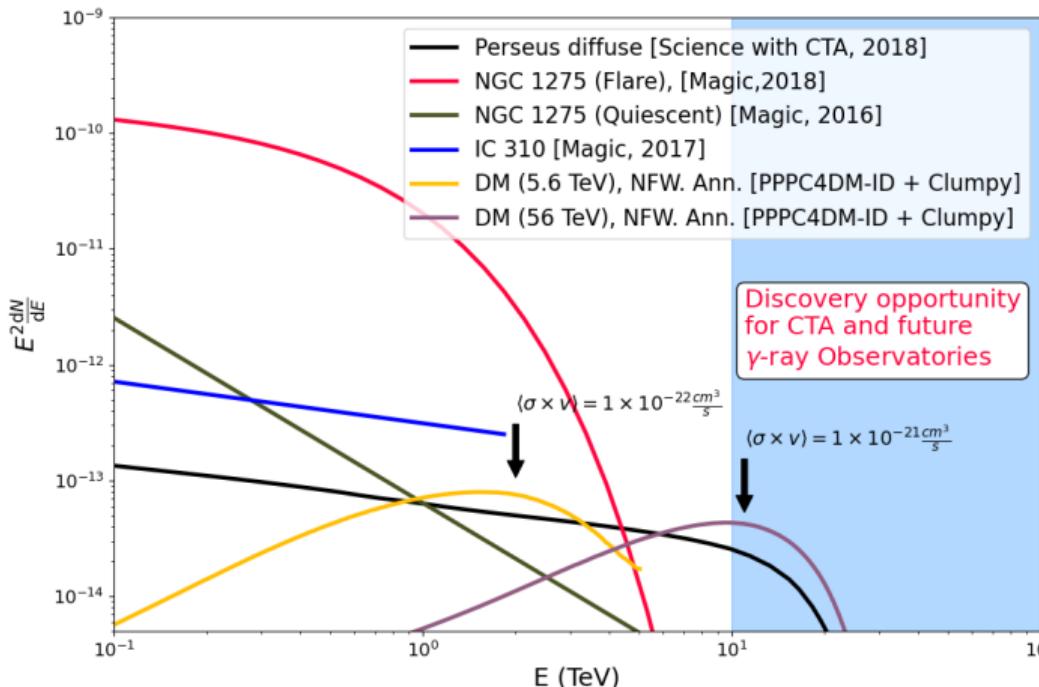
J-Min



Decay

1. J and D factors computed using Clumpy [Hütten+18]
2. DM candidates with masses in [50 GeV, 100 TeV]
3. Photon spectra for channels  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $\tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $W^+W^-$  [Cirelli+2012, PPPC4DMID]
4. EBL attenuation: Dominguez+11

# Gamma-Ray Emission



Different components  
of the total gamma-ray  
emission @ TeV energies  
in the Perseus cluster

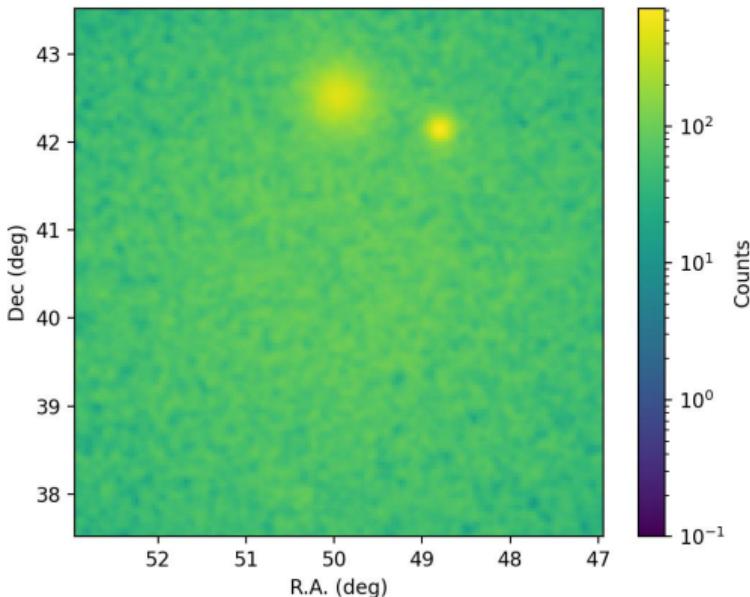
# Analysis

# Observation setup



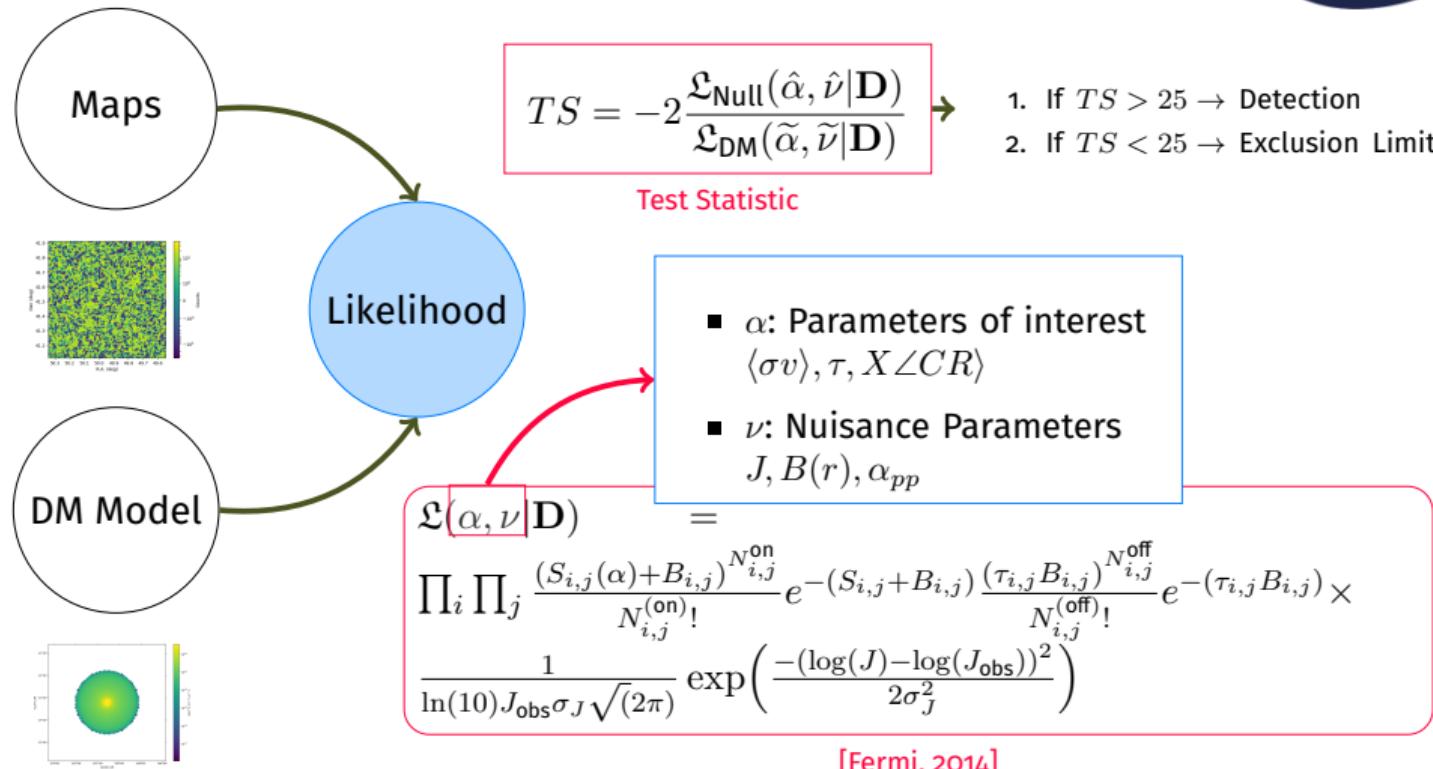
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- Deep Observation: 300 h (100 reps.)
- Energy range: [30 GeV, 120 TeV]
- Software: ctools
- Gamma-Ray emission
  - 1. NGC 1275 & IC 310
  - 2. Cosmic Rays  
(MINOT [R. Adam 2020])
  - 3. BKG (IRF)
  - 4. Dark Matter  
(PPPC4DMID [Cirelli, 2012])
    - 1) Annihilation
    - 2) Decay



Counts Map of one observation  
of Perseus, simulated with ctools

# Analysis and calculation of ULs



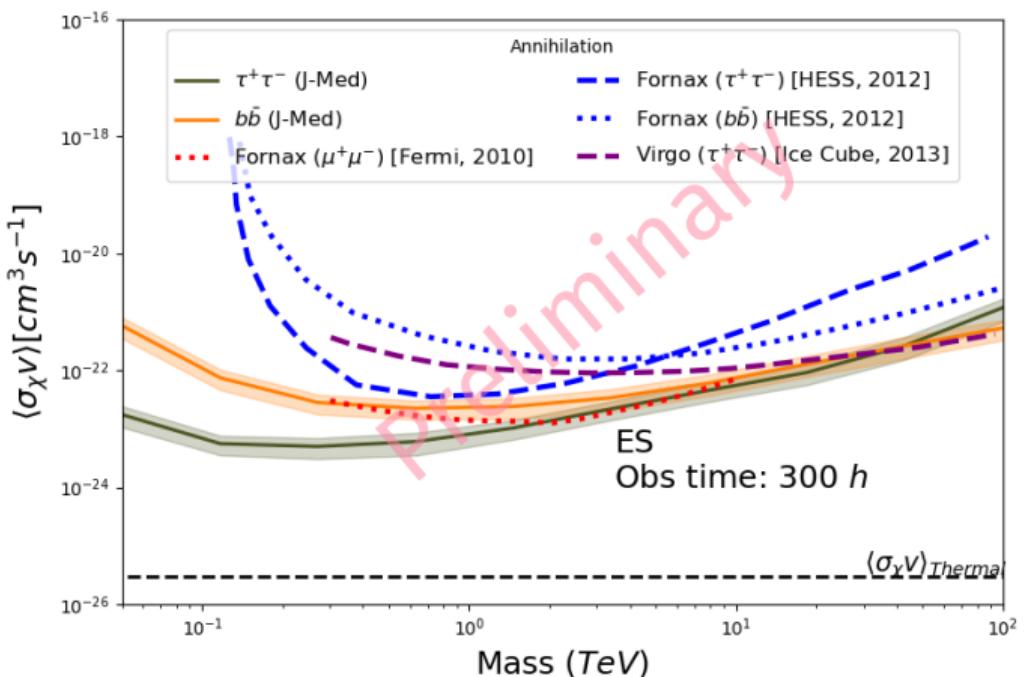
[Fermi, 2014]

1. Based on ctools
2. Calculation of gamma-ray flux induced by annihilation or decay of DM
3. Calculation of best fit parameters
4. (If not detection) Calculation of ULs for a range of masses
5. Results saved to a fits file
6. Public repository (Github):

<https://github.com/sergiohcdna/ctadmtool>

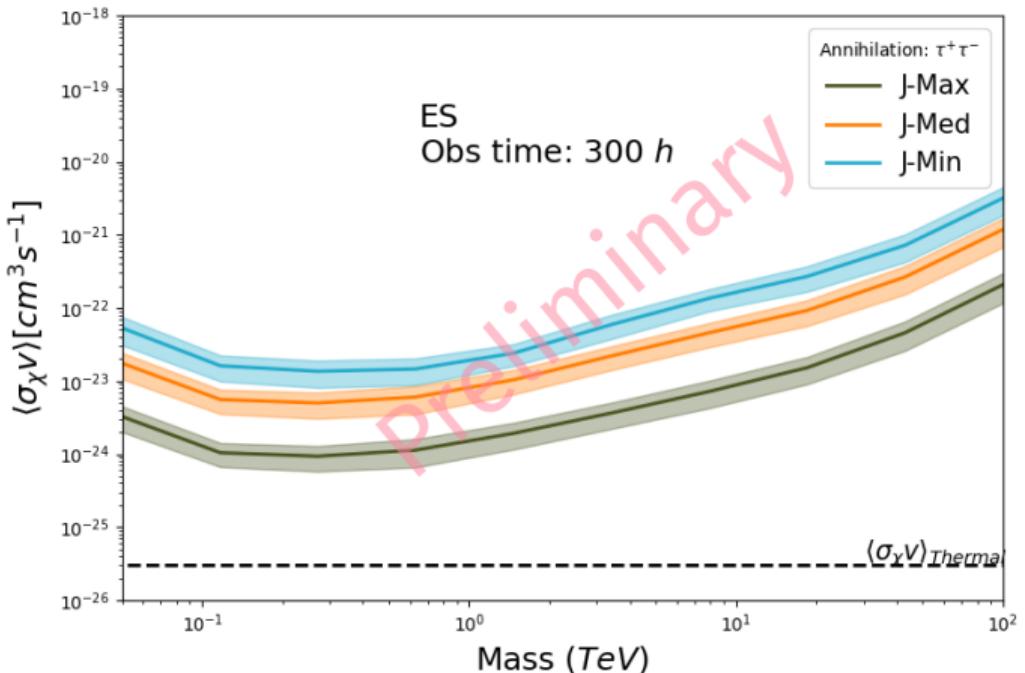
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# Annihilation



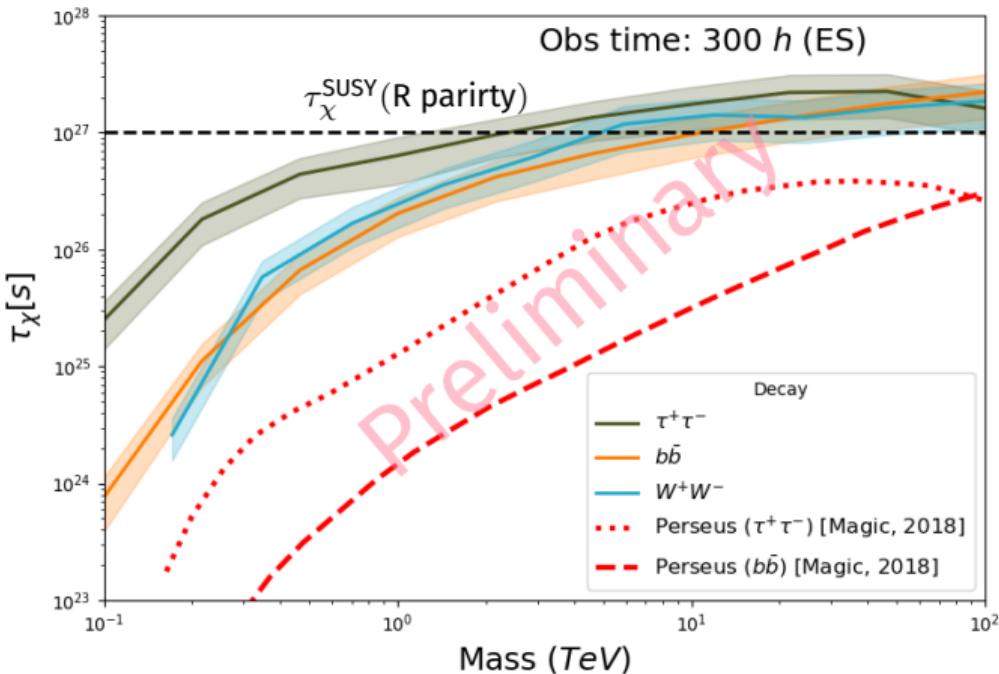
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- Average value for  $\tau_\chi$  (~ 100 realizations)
- $1\sigma$  band. Effect of Bkg fluctuations.
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- ES: Extended search

# Summary



1. CTA has a unique chance of discovery for DM candidates with masses @TeV scales and close to the unitarity-limit
2. Results by CTA, even in the case of null detection, will complement direct and collider searches
3. CTA will be able to put restrictive constraints to annihilation  $\langle \sigma_\chi v \rangle$  and decay  $\tau_\chi$  using deep observations of the Perseus Cluster

**Thanks!**