# Cosmic ray antiprotons as a dark matter probe

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#### Outline

- Basic facts about Galactic cosmic rays and their propagation
- Secondary antiprotons: main uncertainties
- Is there a AMS-02 antiproton excess ?
- Antiprotons from dark matter annihilation: astrophysical uncertainties
- Antiproton constraints on the Galactic center GeV excess
- Conclusions and few personal considerations

#### Few basic facts about cosmic rays



#### Cosmic-ray flux

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- Energy density in equipartition with starlight, turbulent gas motions and magnetic fields.



### The SN paradigm



Aharonian et al., Nature, 2007

 $L_{\rm SN} \sim R_{\rm SN} E_{\rm kin} \sim 3 \times 10^{41} \, {\rm erg/s}$ 

hadronic:  $p p_{ISM} \rightarrow \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ or leptonic:  $e^- \gamma_{ISRF} \rightarrow e^- \gamma$ 



Fritz Zwicky

#### The Galactic CR pool



Our position:  $R \approx 8.3$  kpc  $z \approx 0$ 

#### The CR transport equation

CRs obey essentially a diffusion equation (Ginzburg & Syrovatsky, 1964)



#### A large number of parameters to be fixed against data !

#### Cosmic-ray primary and secondary components

- Li, Be and B as well sub Fe elements must be produced by spallation of heavier primaries
- Secondary/primary (B/C most importantly) provide valuable information about propagation ( barring degeneracies, possible sec. production in the acceleration sites, ..)
- Once constrained in that way the same parameters can be used to compute other secondaries (  $e^+, \overline{p}$ ) or to model Dark Matter products propagation



Abundance

### Solar modulation

- The magnetized solar wind advects CRs reducing their energy
- The effect is relevant below 10 GV and it temporally anti-correlated with solar activity
- Neglecting charge-dependent drifts (see below) in the heliosphere (pure adiabatic cooling) the effect can be treated in terms of a single time dependent parameter Φ: force field approximation

$$J(E_k, Z, A) = \frac{(E_k + m)^2 - m^2}{\left(E_k + m + \frac{Z|e|}{A}\Phi\right)^2 - m^2} J_{\text{LIS}}(E_k + \frac{Z|e|}{A}\Phi, Z, A)$$

Gleeson & Axforfd 1968



¢ /GV

1.8

1.6

1.2

0.8

0.6

0.4

0.2

#### Secondary Antiprotons



Main processes:  $p + p_{gas} \rightarrow p + p + p + \bar{p}$ 

tertiary  $\bar{p}$  (produced by scattering of secondaries onto the ISM), as well as inelastic scattering and annihilation are accounted

#### Secondary Antiprotons

Main approaches

Analytical (solve transport eq. under simplified conditions). Less realistic but faster it allows to perform statistical analysis . See e.g. Donato et al. astro-ph/0103150 Bringmann & Salati astro-ph/0612514 ➡ Donato et al. astro-ph/0810.5292

**Numerical** (solve transport equation numerically with codes like GALPROP or DRAGON) More realistic physical conditions but slower

(not a serious problem anymore !)

Moskalenko, Strong, Ormes & Portgetier astro-ph/0106567 Di Bernardo, Evoli, Gaggero, D.G. & Maccione 0909.4548



#### A very stable prediction !

C. Evoli, I.Cholis, D.G., L.Maccione & P.Ullio, PRD, 2012, 1108.0664



Modal	z (kna)	8	$D_{10^{28}} am^2/a$	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	(1 m/s)	<b>A</b> /	$\frac{dv_c}{dz}$	$\nu^2$	v <sup>2</sup>	ф (CV)	× <sup>2</sup>	Color
	$z_t$ (kpc)	0	$D_0(10 \text{ cm}/8)$	η	$v_A$ (km/s)	Ŷ	(KIII/S/KPC)	$X_{B/C}$	<i>Xp</i>	$\Psi(\mathbf{UV})$	$X\bar{p}$	
KRA	4	0.50	2.64	-0.39	14.2	2.35	0	0.6	0.47	0.67	0.59	Red
KOL	4	0.33	4.46	1.	36.	1.78/2.45	0	0.4	0.3	0.36	1.84	Blue
THN	0.5	0.50	0.31	-0.27	11.6	2.35	0	0.7	0.46	0.70	0.73	Green
THK	10	0.50	4.75	-0.15	14.1	2.35	0	0.7	0.55	0.69	0.62	Orange
CON	4	0.6	0.97	1.	38.1	1.62/2.35	50	0.4	0.53	0.21	1.32	Gray

#### The problem of degeneracies



#### Particle physics uncertainties

R. Kappl & M.W. Winkler, 1408.0299

Data driven (NA49) approach using established scaling relation. With respect to previous work they

- account for hyperon (A and  $\Sigma$  ) decay
- account for isospin asymmetry (more  $\bar{n}$  than  $\bar{p}$  produced by pp scattering)
- use improved model for p-He and He-He scattering based on p-C NA49 data

Dominant uncertainties for the  $\bar{p}$  source terms:

 ~ 20% due to isospin factor for T ~ 10 GeV up to 50 % at lower T due to breaking of scaling at low energy



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Di Bernardo, Evoli, Gaggero, D.G, & Maccione JCAP 2010



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- We use CR data from the same experiment (PAMELA) to reduce systematics and uncertainties due to solar modulation
- We vary all relevant, propagation and modulation parameters (10<sup>4</sup> DRAGON runs)
- We require that primary spectra (protons and Heliums) and B/C are reproduced



#### Propagation vs nuclear uncertainties

C. Evoli, E, D.Gaggero & D.G, 1504.05175



No evidence of an excess !

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### Antiproton from DM

#### M. Cirelli courtesy



#### Antiproton from DM: how it may look like



## Antiproton from DM

Electroweak corrections have to be taken in account for large WIMP masses



Ciafaloni *et al.,* JCAP 03 (2011) 019

## In the following we use the PPPC4DMID Cirelli et al. 2011 and upgrades

DarkSUSY can also be used and interfaced with CR codes , Ullio et al

Ciafaloni,Cirelli,Comelli,De Simone,Sala, Strumia, Riotto,Urbano, 1009.0224, 1104.2996

- naively might expect electroweak corrections to be negligible:  $\alpha_2 \ln M^2/M_W^2$  or  $\alpha_2 \ln^2 M^2/M_W^2$ 
  - for 100 GeV typically of  $\mathcal{O}(0.1)$  % even at a few TeV only  $\mathcal{O}(30)$  %
- but:
  - evade helicity suppression see e.g. Bell, Dent, Jacques, Weiler
  - prevents leptophilic or hadrophobic models
  - changes spectral shape

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The DM density profile (estimated on N-body simulations) strongly affects the annihilation rate (J fact.)



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Relative  $\bar{p}$  flux from a source at R

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#### Antiproton constraints on DM

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#### Antiproton constraints on DM

#### G. Giesen & M.Cirelli, 1301.7079



#### Cosmic-ray clocks

In principle remove the degeneracy between the diffusion coefficient and halo height determined from the B/C in practice provide only a very weak constraint on  $z_t$ 





#### The Galactic Center (GC) GeV excess

Template fitting analysis of Fermi-LAT favor the presence of a DM comp.





#### DM interpretation of the GC GeV excess

Calore, Cholis, McCabe, Weniger 1411.4647

A detailed study of the uncertainties of Galactic diffuse background is performed.

A larger set of DM annihilation channels is allowed

It was checked that constraints from Dwarf Spheroidal galaxy emissions are not violated



#### Astrophysical interpretations of the GC GeV excess

#### Main interpretations:

a population of milli-second pulsars Wang et al. 2015; Gordon & Macias 2013; Lee et al. 2015; Bartels et al 2015

transient phenomena (SMBH outburst)

Carlson et al. 2014; Petrovic et al. 2015 Cholis et al. 1506.05119

a peaked SNR density in the GC Gaggero et al. 1507.06129



## Antiproton constraints on the DM interpretation of the GC GeV excess - propagation uncertainties

Cirelli, Gaggero, Giesen, Taoso, Urbano, 1407.2173



#### Charge dependent solar modulation





Dedicated codes treating propagation in the heliosphere by means of stochastic differential equations have been developed

L. Maccione PRL (HelioProp code)

This was shown to work for the positron fraction

We used HelioProp to modulate antiprotons as well.



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Warning: the background is kept fixed here !

## DM bounds after PAMELA data

C. Evoli, E, D.Gaggero & D.G, 1504.05175

Upper limits obtained taking

- $z_t = 2 \text{ kpc}$  (minimal CR halo height compatible with radio obs.  $\Rightarrow \max \overline{p}$  flux from DM annihilation )
- minimal secondary antiproton spectrum at  $E \sim m_X$  compatible with PAMELA B/C data
- minimal  $\bar{p}$  production cross-section compatible with NA49 data Kappl & Winkler 1408.0299



#### Constraints from $\gamma$ -rays



#### Constraints from the CMB



#### Conclusions

- The secondary antiproton spectrum can be computed with good accuracy (30 % unc. at most) on the basis of CR nuclear data
- Present data (including preliminary AMS data) do not show any presence of an excess respect to that background
- Antiprotons from dark matter annihilation are subject to much larger uncertainties mainly due to the poorly known diffusive halo height. Gamma ray and radio/microwave observation may help to reduce this uncertainty.
- The DM interpretation of the GC GeV excess is still compatible with antiproton (as well as gamma and CMB) constraints