

Candidates for Inelastic Dark Matter

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Toto, we're not at SPS1a' anymore

Surprises in Dark Matter

- DAMA observes an annual modulation signal.
- PAMELA, ATIC, PPB-BETS, INTEGRAL, and WMAP find signals above the expected astrophysical background.

Dark matter in our galaxy?

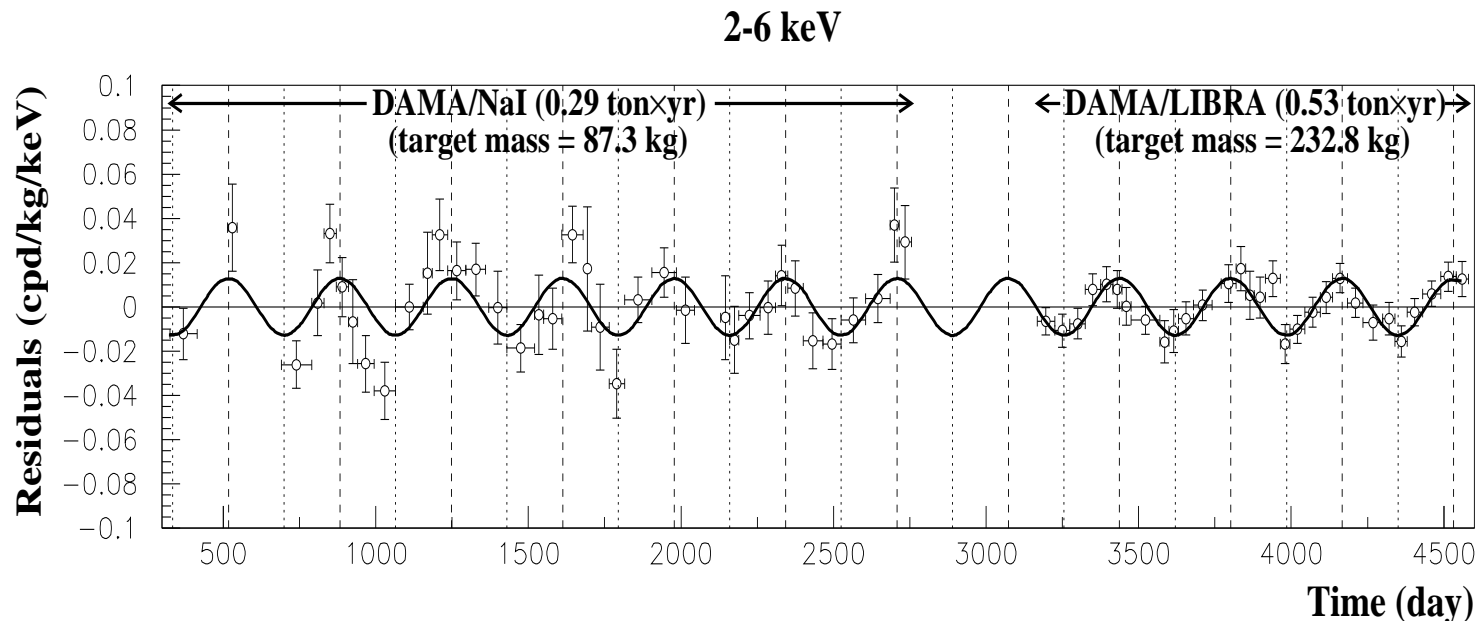
- None of these signals is what we were expecting:
 - DAMA “seems” inconsistent with CDMS.
 - PAMELA *et al.* need a high annihilation rate and leptons.
 - INTEGRAL requires very light or exciting DM.

Annual Modulation at DAMA

- The Earth encounters a varying DM flux due to its annual motion around the Sun. [Drukier, Freese, Spergel '86]

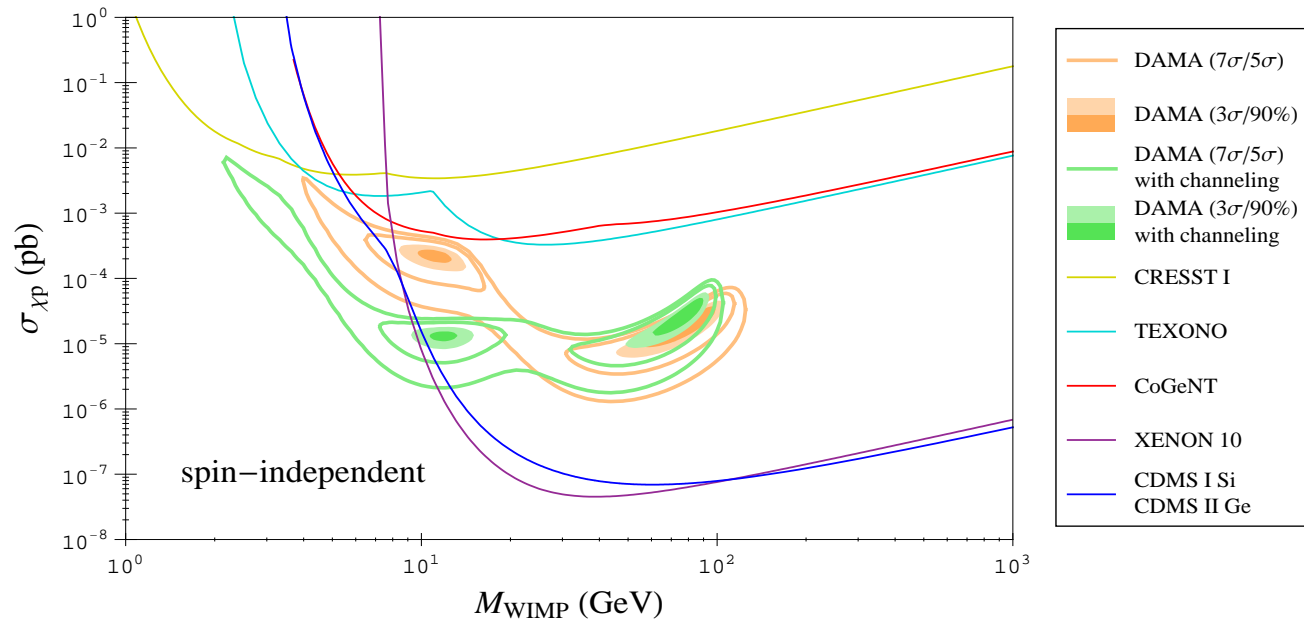
DM-nucleus recoil rate \propto DM flux.

- DAMA/NaI and DAMA/LIBRA searched for an annual variation in nuclear recoils using NaI-based detectors.



Explanations for DAMA

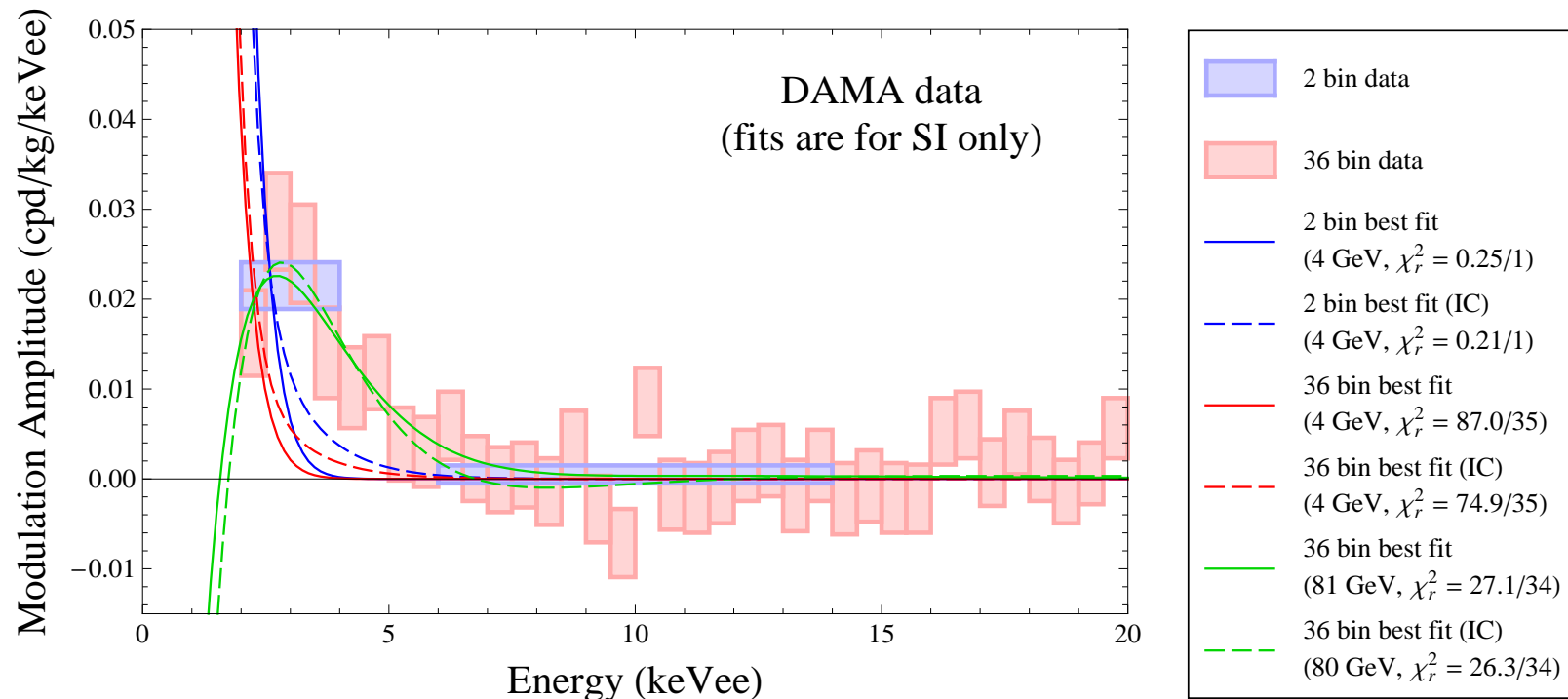
- Focus exclusively on DAMA, assume it is DM.
What does this imply about the DM properties?
- Ordinary coherent DM scattering off Iodine is ruled out.
Light DM scattering off Sodium is strongly constrained.



[Freese, Gelmini, Gondolo, Savage '08]

- Light DM is constrained by the shapes of the DAMA modulated and unmodulated energy spectra.

[Chang,Pierce,Weiner '08]

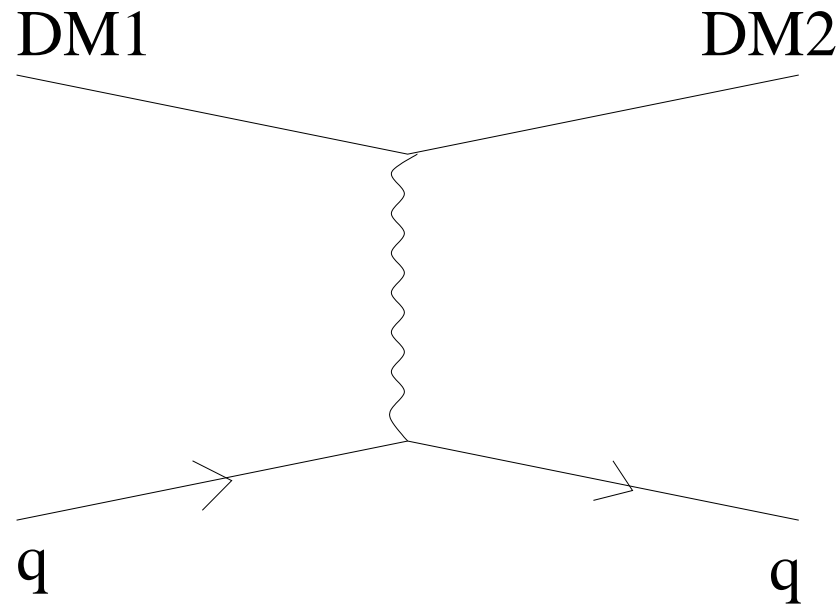


[Freese,Gelmini,Gondolo,Savage '08]

- Scattering of DM off detector electrons? [Bernabei *et al.* '07]
- Also very constrained by the DAMA spectral shape.

Inelastic Dark Matter (IDM)

- Assumption: DM scatters coherently off nuclei preferentially into a slightly heavier state. [Tucker-Smith+Weiner '01]



$$M_{DM2} - M_{DM1} = \delta > 0$$

- Modified scattering kinematics enhances the modulated signal at DAMA and fixes the spectrum.

- To produce a nuclear recoil with energy E_R , the minimum DM velocity is

$$v_{min} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m_N E_R}} \left(\frac{m_N E_R}{\mu_N} + \delta \right).$$

- Signal Rate:

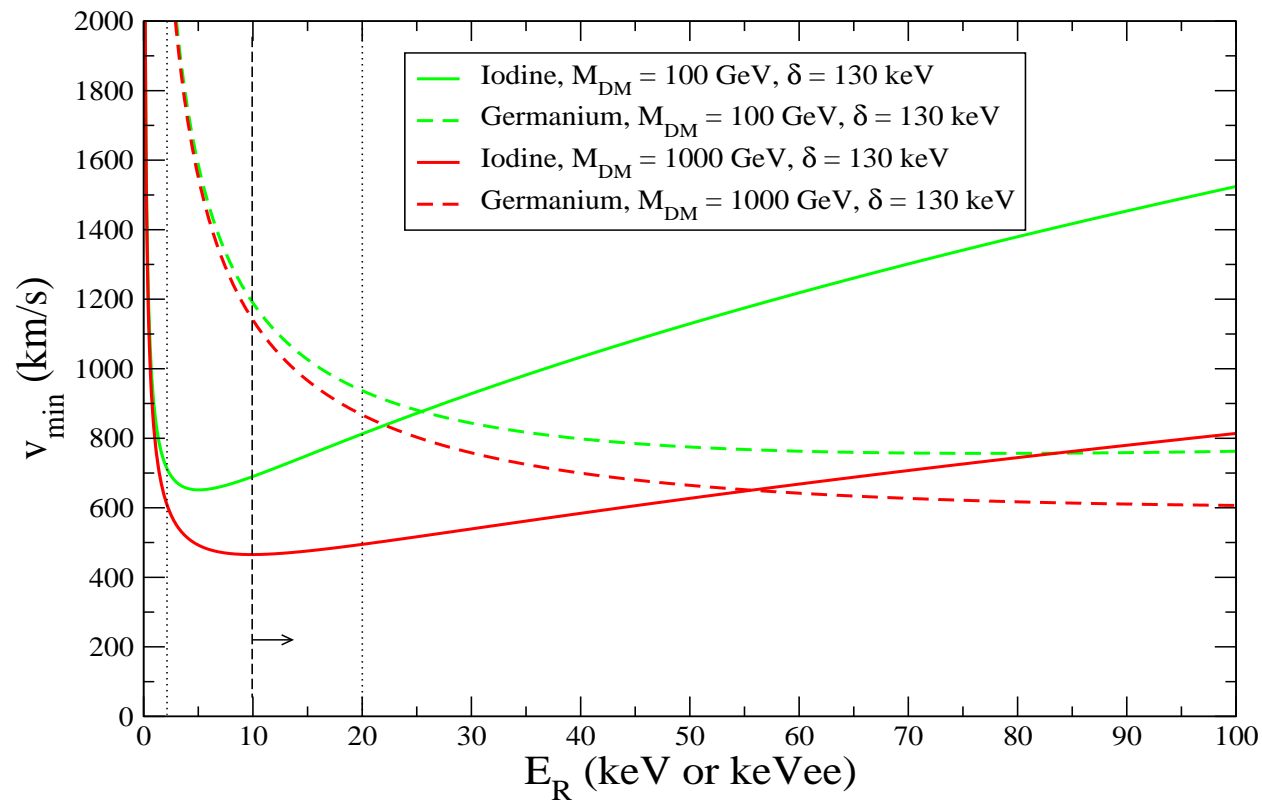
$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} \propto \int_{v_{min}} d^3v f(\vec{v}, \vec{v}_e) v \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R}.$$

- DM velocities are \sim Maxwellian with a cutoff v_{esc} , with a net boost from the motion of the Earth:

$$f(\vec{v}, \vec{v}_e) = 0 \quad \text{unless} \quad |\vec{v} + \vec{v}_e| < v_{esc}.$$

- IDM: v_{min} is less for **I** ($A \simeq 127$) than for **Ge** ($A \simeq 72$).
 \Rightarrow enhancement at DAMA relative to CDMS.

- IDM kinematics enhances the annual modulation.
- The signal is cut off at low E_R .



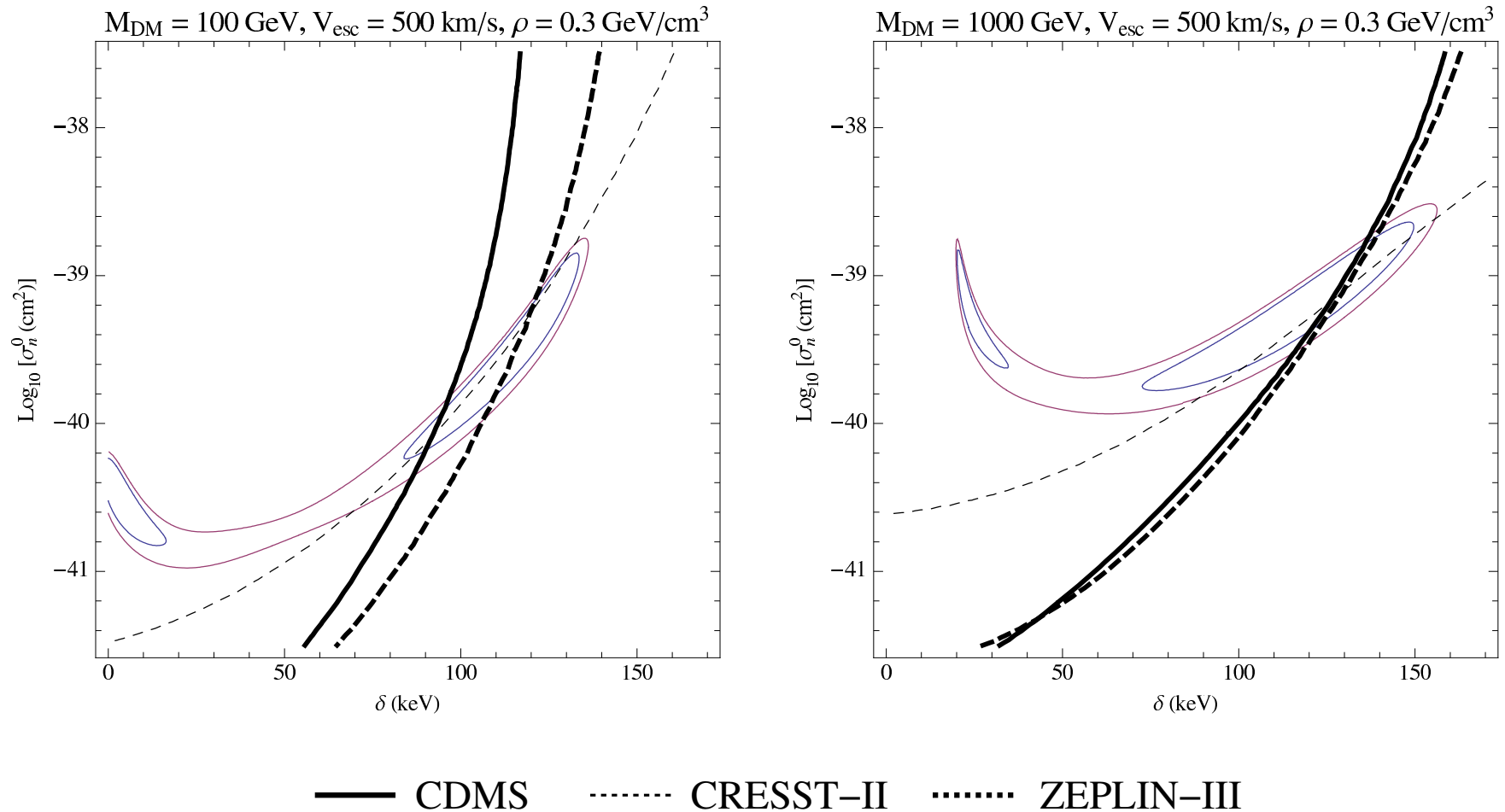
- Which IDM parameters fit the data?
- Where could IDM come from? LHC implications?

IDM vs. Data

IDM Fits

- DAMA (I)
 - lowest twelve 2-8 keV bins only
 - χ^2 *goodness of fit* estimator
- CDMS II (Ge)
 - combine 3 runs
 - treat events (2) in 10-100 keV as signal
- CRESST-II (W)
 - use latest commissioning run only
 - treat events (7) in 12-100 keV as signal
- ZEPLIN-III (Xe)
 - treat events (7) in 2-16 keV as signal
- XENON, KIMS, *etc.* are less constraining.

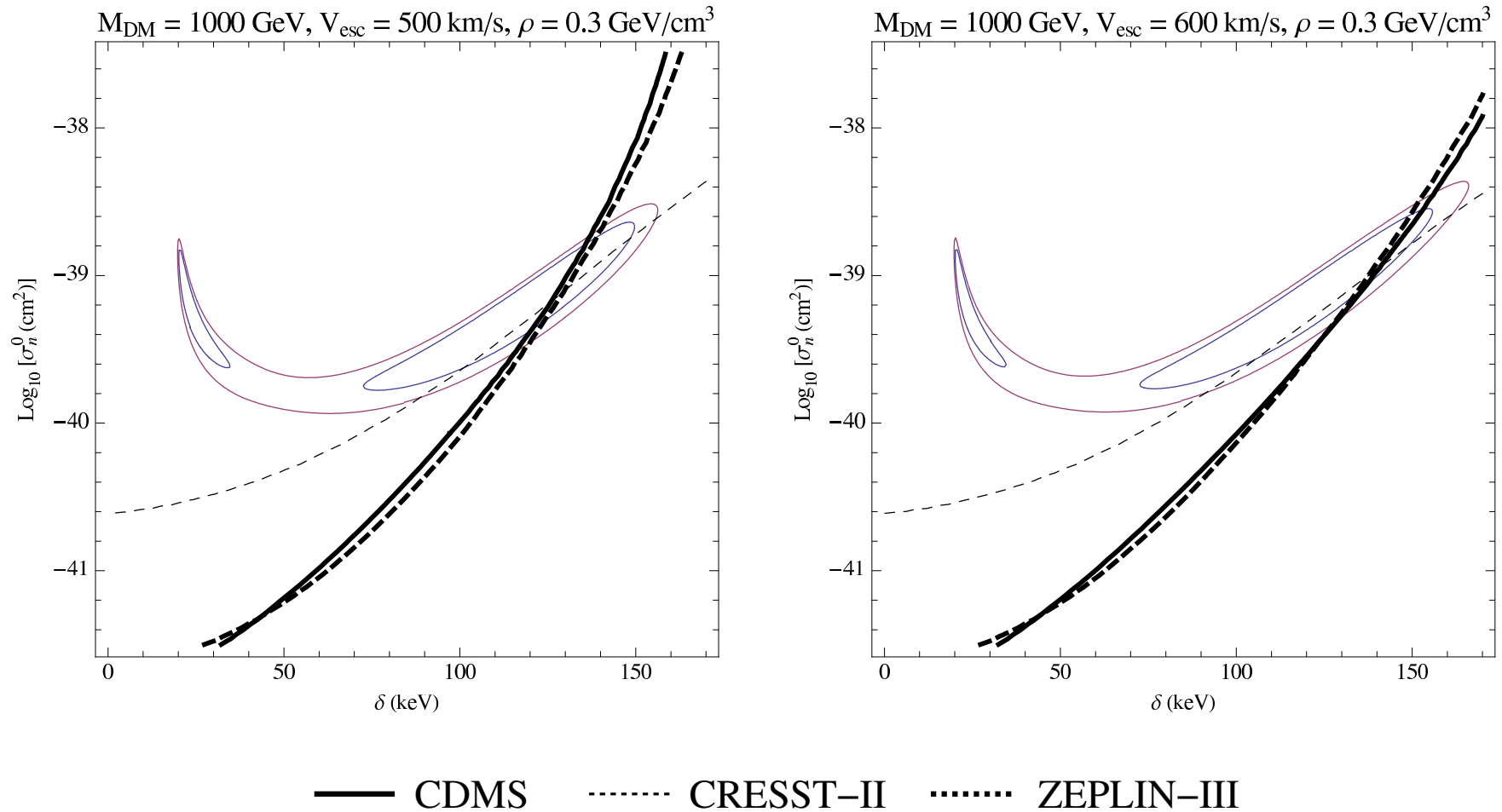
- $M_{DM} = 100 \text{ GeV}, 1000 \text{ GeV}, 99\% \text{ c.l.}$ exclusion curves.



- Heavier IDM might work but is more constrained.

Note: $v_{min}(E_R) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m_N E_R}} (E_R + \delta)$ for $M_{DM} \gg m_N$

- $v_{esc} = 500 \text{ km/s}, 600 \text{ km/s}, 99\% \text{ c.l.}$ exclusion curves.



- Strong dependence on the DM velocity distribution.

[March-Russell, McCabe, McCullough '08]

General IDM Properties

General IDM Properties

- Inelastic nuclear recoils can arise naturally if:
 - nuclear scattering is mediated by a massive gauge boson
 - DM is a nearly Dirac fermion or complex scalar
 - a small mass splits the two components of the DM

e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} -\mathcal{L}_{mass} &= M \bar{\psi}\psi + \frac{1}{2}m \bar{\psi}^c\psi, \quad \text{with } M \gg m \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(M - m)\bar{\Psi}_1\Psi_1 + \frac{1}{2}(M + m)\bar{\Psi}_2\Psi_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$-\mathcal{L}_{int} = -g Z'_\mu \bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi = ig Z'_\mu \bar{\Psi}_2\gamma^\mu\Psi_1$$

- The complex scalar story is similar.

Nucleon Scattering from Gauge Bosons

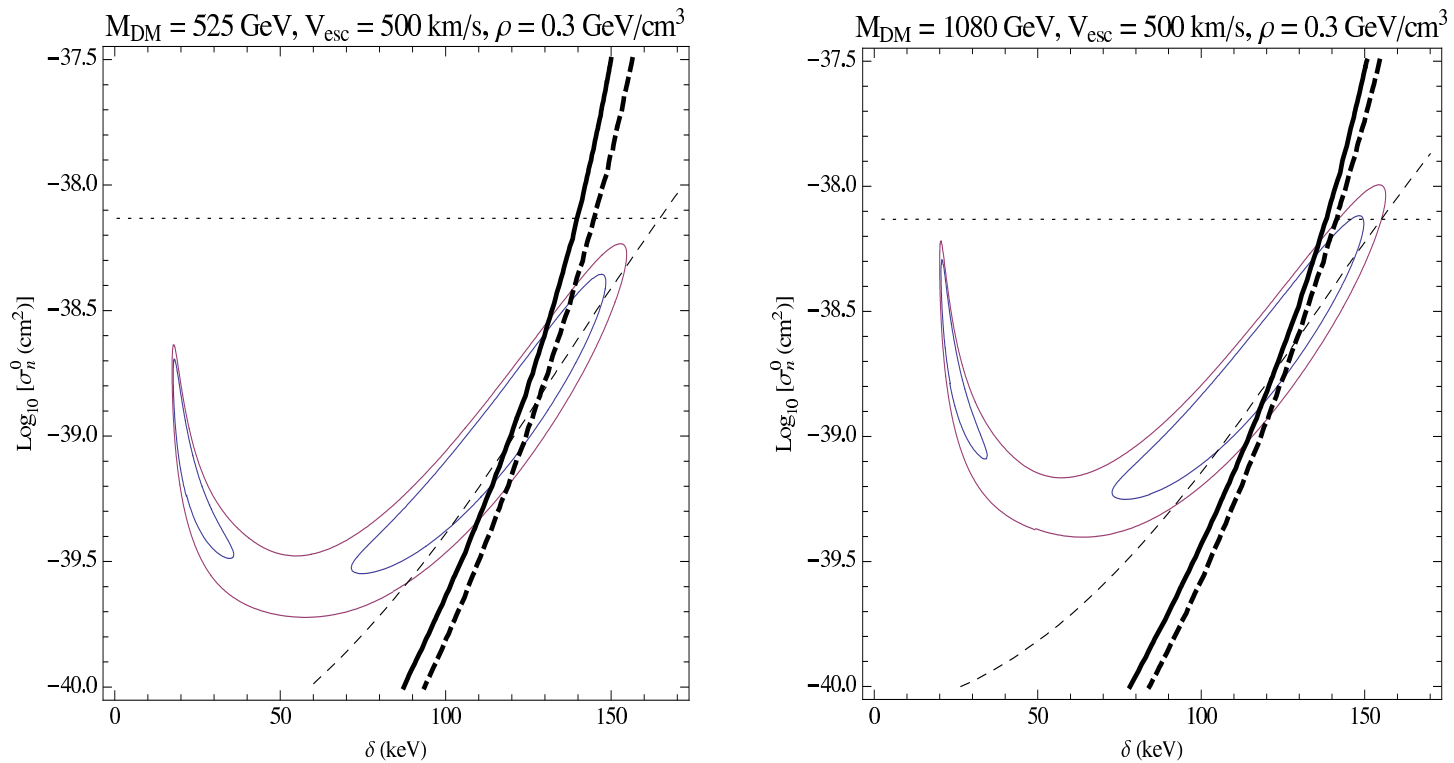
- Elastic DM scattering mediated by the SM Z^0 is ruled out.
→ effective nucleon cross-sections $\sigma_{n,p}^0$ are too big:

$$\sigma_n^0 = \frac{G_F^2}{2\pi} \mu_n^2 \simeq 7.44 \times 10^{-39} \text{ cm}^2 \quad (\text{vector doublet})$$

- IDM can only scatter in a limited region of phase space.
→ need a large nucleon cross-section $\sigma_{n,p}^0$.
- Three ‘Abelian’ possibilities:
 1. SM Z^0
 2. Heavy visible $U(1)_x$
 3. Light hidden $U(1)_x$

1. IDM Scattering through the SM Z^0

- Dirac Doublet: $M_{DM} \simeq 1080 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow \Omega_{DM} h^2 \simeq 0.1$.
- Scalar Doublet: $M_{DM} \simeq 525 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow \Omega_{DM} h^2 \simeq 0.1$.

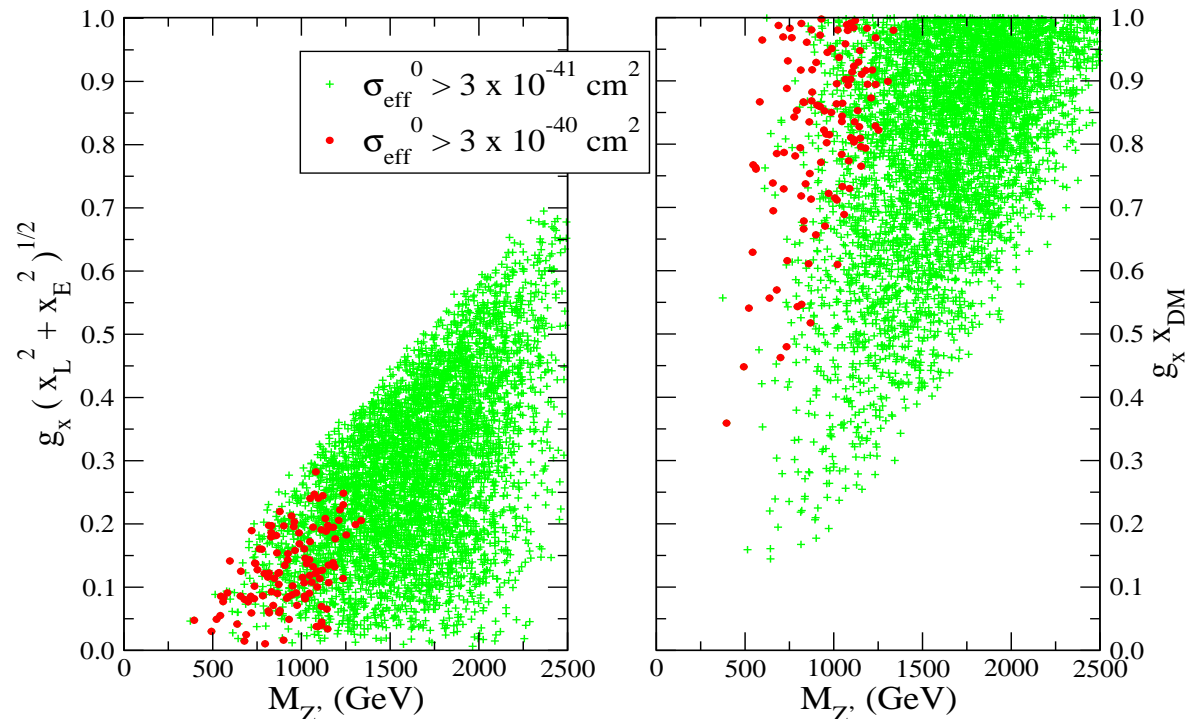


— CDMS - - - - CRESST-II ····· ZEPLIN-III

- DAMA-allowed region is close to σ_n^0 for a doublet.

2. IDM Scattering through a Visible $U(1)_x$

- Visible Z' 's constrained by Tevatron, Precision Electroweak.
→ heavier $M_{Z'}$ is preferred
- But $\sigma_{n,p}^0 \propto \left(\frac{g_x}{M_{Z'}}\right)^4$
→ $M_{Z'}$ cannot be too large for IDM scattering



3. IDM Scattering through a Light Hidden $U(1)_x$

- Can arise if SM couplings come only from kinetic mixing,

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon B_{\mu\nu} X^{\mu\nu}.$$

$\epsilon \sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-2}$ from integrating out heavy states. [Holdom '86]

- $U(1)_x$ effectively mixes with $U(1)_{em}$ for $M_{Z'} \ll M_{Z^0}$.

SM states acquire Z' couplings of $-e c_W Q \epsilon$.

$$\sigma_p^0 = \left(\frac{g_x x_{DM}}{0.5} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\text{GeV}}{M_{Z'}} \right)^4 \left(\frac{\epsilon}{10^{-3}} \right)^2 (2.1 \times 10^{-36} \text{ cm}^2)$$

- A multi-GeV mass Z' is allowed for $\epsilon \lesssim 10^{-2}$ [Pospelov '08]

Some IDM Models

Candidates for IDM

- Need a large “Dirac” mass $M \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$, and a small “Majorana” mass $m \sim 100 \text{ keV}$.
- Technically Natural: m breaks a global $U(1)_{DM}$ symmetry.
- Can arise from sneutrinos with small L violation.

[Tucker-Smith+Weiner '01]

- Some Other Candidates:

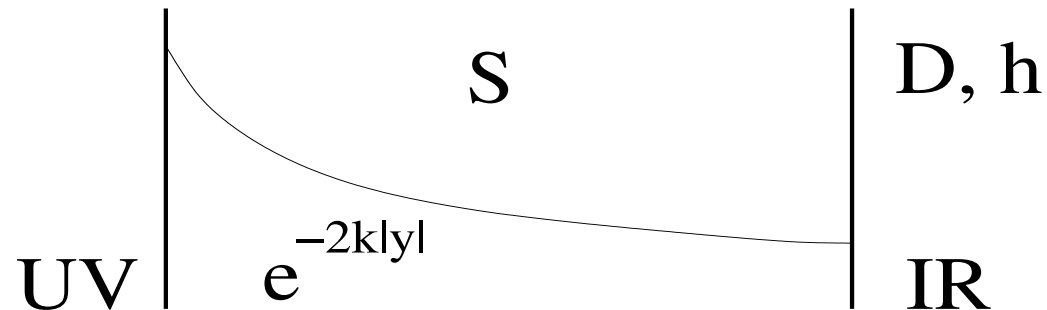
1. Warped fermion seesaw IDM

2. Warped scalar IDM

3. Supersymmetric Doublet IDM

4. Hidden Sector $U(1)_x$ IDM [Arkani-Hamed+Weiner '08, I.Yavin's talk]

1. Warped Fermion Seesaw



- Dirac Doublet $D = (D_L, D_R)$ on the IR brane.

Dirac Singlet $S = (S_L, S_R)$ in the bulk.

Both are odd under a \mathbb{Z}_2 .

- Couplings:

$$\text{Bulk: } ck\bar{S}S$$

$$\text{IR Brane: } \lambda(\bar{D}_R S_L h + h.c.) + M\bar{D}D$$

$$\text{UV Brane: } \frac{d_{UV}}{2}(\bar{S}_L^c S_L + h.c.)$$

- $U(1)_{DM}$ is broken only on the UV brane.

- Choose B.C.s such that S_L has a zero mode for $d_{UV} = 0$.
- Zero mode gets mass from the UV brane mass.
KK modes get mass primarily from the Dirac bulk mass.
 \Rightarrow integrate out S_L^0 to get the inelastic splitting:

$$-\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{\lambda^2}{2d_{UV}} e^{-(c-1/2)\pi k R} hh \bar{D}_R^c D_R + h.c.$$

- With natural values $\lambda^2 = 1/M_{Pl}$, $c = 0.13$, $d_{UV} = 2$, we find $\delta \simeq 100$ keV, mostly doublet DM.
- This model is similar to warped neutrino mass models.

[Huber+Shafi '03, Perez+Randall '08]

2. Warped Scalar IDM

- Scalar Doublet $D = (D_R + iD_I)/\sqrt{2}$ on the IR brane.
Scalar Singlet $S = (S_R + iS_I)/\sqrt{2}$ in the bulk.
Both are odd under a \mathbb{Z}_2 discrete symmetry.

- Couplings:

$$\text{Bulk: } a k |S|^2$$

$$\text{IR Brane: } (\lambda e^{2\pi k R} D S^* h + h.c.) + M^2 |D|^2$$

$$\text{UV Brane: } \frac{m_{UV}}{2} (S^2 + h.c.)$$

- $U(1)_{DM}$ is broken only on the UV brane.

- No scalar zero mode in general.
- UV brane mass modifies the B.C.s:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_y S_I \mp m_{UV} S_I &= 0|_{y=0} \\ \partial_y S_I &= 0|_{y=\pi R}.\end{aligned}$$

⇒ splits the masses and profiles of S_R , S_I .

- Integrating out S KK modes yields a mass splitting for D .

From the n -th KK mode:

$$\Delta m_D \sim \frac{v^2}{M} \left(\frac{1}{kR} \right) e^{-2\pi kR(2+\sqrt{4+a})} f_n^2(\pi R).$$

- Inelastic splitting requires $kR \sim 2$.

⇒ Little RS [Davoudiasl, Perez, Soni '08; McDonald '08]

3. Supersymmetric Fermion Doublet IDM

- Idea: gauge $U(1)_{DM} \rightarrow U(1)_z$.

- Chiral Doublets D, D^c

Chiral SM Singlets S, N

$$W \supset \lambda N H_u \cdot H_d + \lambda' S H_d \cdot D + \frac{\xi}{2} N S^2 + \zeta N D D^c.$$

Only these couplings are allowed by $U(1)_z$ charges.

- $N \rightarrow \langle N \rangle \sim \text{TeV}$ induced by SUSY breaking.

Integrate out S :

$$W_{eff} \supset -\frac{\lambda'^2}{2\xi \langle N \rangle} (D \cdot H_d)^2$$

- Fermion splitting for $\lambda' \sim 0.1$, $\tan \beta \sim 30$, $\xi \langle N \rangle \sim \text{TeV}$.
- Scalar mass splitting is a bit too big.

4. Hidden $U(1)_x$ SUSY IDM

- Models #1.–3. carry over to heavy visible $U(1)_x$ models.
- SUSY is a natural setting for a light hidden $U(1)_x$.
Gauge mediation in the visible sector breaks SUSY in the hidden sector through kinetic mixing, [Zurek '08]

$$m_{hid} \sim \epsilon m_{Ec},$$

$$M_{\tilde{Z}'} \sim \epsilon^2 M_1.$$

- $U(1)_x$ breaking can be induced by soft masses, D -terms ($\sim \sqrt{\epsilon} v$) naturally on the order of a GeV.
- D -terms can also contribute to hidden SUSY breaking.

[Baumgart *et al.* '09, talks by L.-T. Wang, I. Yavin]

- Minimal hidden $U(1)_x$ IDM Model:

$$W \supset \mu' H H^c + M_a a a^c + \frac{1}{2} M_s S^2 + \lambda_1 S a^c H + \lambda_2 S a H^c,$$

- IDM from a, a^c if $M_s \sim M_a \sim \text{TeV}$, $\langle H^{(c)} \rangle \sim \mu' \sim \text{GeV}$.
- a, a^c, S must be stabilized by a new symmetry.
Residual unbroken \mathbb{Z}_2 subgroup of $U(1)_x$? [Hur, Lee, Nasri '07]
- Multi- μ Mystery: $\mu' \ll M_s, M_a$?
 - $\mu' \sim \text{GeV}$ from an NMSSM-mechanism in hidden sector.
[Zurek '08, Chun+Park '08]
 - $M_a \sim M_s \sim \text{TeV}$ from an NMSSM in the visible sector.
→ additional contributions to hidden SUSY breaking

Summary

- Inelastic DM can be consistent with the DAMA signal and other direct detection experiments.
- Heavier DM masses can also work, but are more constrained.
- IDM scattering can be mediated by the Z^0 , a heavy visible Z' , or a light hidden Z' .
- Reasonable models for IDM can arise in RS, SUSY.

Extra Slides

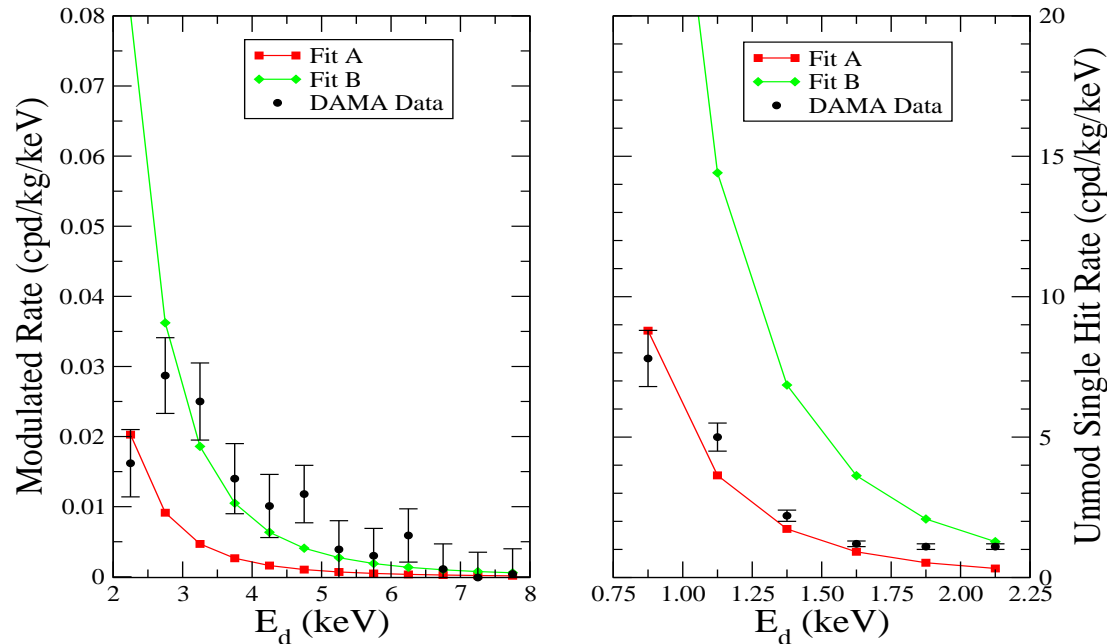
DM Scattering off Electrons

- DM scattering off detector *electrons*? [Bernabei *et al.* '07]
Would generate a signal at DAMA.
Other DM detectors filter out electromagnetic events.
- $E_R \sim \text{eV}$ for Halo DM scattering off an electron at rest.
- $E_R \sim \text{keV}$ possible if the electron is boosted: $p_e \sim \text{MeV}$.
At large p_e , $P(p_e) \propto p_e^{-8}$ in atoms.

$$\left. \frac{dR}{dE_R} \right|_{tot} = \int dp P(p) \frac{dR}{dE_R}(p_e = p)$$

$$v_{min}^{DM} \simeq \frac{E_R}{2p}$$

- Signal falls quickly with E_R , like light DM. [Chang,Pierce,Weiner '08]
- For fermion DM with $(V \pm A)$ couplings to quarks:



- Using 12 lowest (2-12 keVee) modulated bins, 6 lowest (0.875-2.125 keVee) unmodulated bins, fit is very poor. ($> 99\%$ exclusion using χ^2)
- Similar conclusion for other Dirac structures, scalar DM.