Searches for Cold Relics of the Early Universe



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The Cosmic Food Chain

Matter 1/3

ordinary matter: 4% 0.4% stars, hot/cold gas, people, etc 3.6% intergalactic gas

dark matter: 23%

dark energy:

73%

Energy 2/3

Dark Matter in Galaxies

Star in central region: $M \sim r^3 \Rightarrow v \propto r$ Star outside: $M \sim ct \Rightarrow v \propto 1/\sqrt{r}$



Dark Matter in Galaxies

Observations of interstellar gas a large radii => the rotation velocity is constant!

=> about 10 x more matter than can be directly seen ($\Omega_{Halo} \cong 0.1$)





Dark Matter in Clusters

First observations – Fritz Zwicky 1933: measurements of the velocity dispersion of galaxies in the Coma cluster

-> by applying the virial theorem

$$M \approx \frac{2\langle r \rangle \langle v^2 \rangle}{G}$$

-> by measuring r and v $\implies M$

For the Coma cluster:

 $\frac{M}{L} \approx 300 \frac{M_{\odot}}{L}$



Dark Matter in Clusters

study of X-ray emission tracing the distribution of hot intra-cluster gas



HydraA X-ray

From Chandra observations:

$$\frac{\Omega_B}{\Omega_M} \simeq 0.065 h^{-3/2}$$
$$\Omega_M \simeq 0.3 h^{-1/2} \simeq 0.3$$

Dark Matter in Clusters

Gravitational lensing: light propagates along geodesics which deviate from straight lines when passing near intense grav fields => the distortion of images of background objects due to the grav mass of a cluster can be used to infer the mass of the cluster





HST picture (1994)

(Dark Matter) Mass reconstruction

Cosmological Scales

CfA survey of LSS (each point = 1 galaxy)



WMAP picture of the CMB sky



Local Dark Matter Density

Measured rotation curve of the Milky Way: flat out to \approx 50 kpc



Acceptable range: $\rho_0 = 0.2 - 0.8 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$

(Klypin, Zhao & Somerville 2002)

Motivation from Particle Physics

Standard Model extremely successful ... but incomplete!

Neutrinos change flavor -> are massive! Hierarchy problem: 10³ GeV << 10¹⁹ GeV -> we expect new physics at the weak scale!

Popular extensions:

Supersymmetry (bosons <-> fermions) LSP (neutralino)

Extra dimensions $(3 + \delta + 1)$ LKP (first KK excitation of the photon)

Cold Thermal Relics

If a massive, weakly interacting particle (WIMP) existed in the early Universe:

 $\chi + \overline{\chi} \leftrightarrow X + \overline{X}$

it was in equilibrium as long as its reaction rate $\Gamma = n\sigma v$ was $\Gamma \gg H$ After the reaction rate drops below the expansion rate H => `freeze-out' and we are left with a `relic' density

$$\Omega_{\chi} h^2 \approx 3 \times 10^{-27} \, cm^3 s^{-1} \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_A | v | \rangle}$$



x=m/T

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If

$$\Omega_{\chi} \sim 0.2 \Longrightarrow \langle \sigma_A v \rangle \sim 1 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{\rm A} \sim \frac{\alpha^2}{m^2} \Rightarrow m \sim 100 \; {\rm GeV}$$

α=hypercharge finestructure constantm=mass of DM particle

=> the relic density and mass point to the weak scale!

=> the new physics responsible for EWSB likely gives rise to a dark matter candidate (WIMP)

=> such a candidate can be explored in astrophysics experiments and in current
+ future accelerators

Supersymmetry

New fundamental space-time symmetry: fermions <=> bosons => SM particles get superpartners (differ in spin by 1/2 and same quantum numbers)

To prevent rapid proton decay, a discrete symmetry (R-parity) is imposed R = (-1) ^{3B+L+2S}, B = baryon number, L = lepton number, S = spin R = +1 for SM particles; R = -1 for SUSY particles => Sparticles can only decay into an odd number of sparticles (+SM part.) => The lightest sparticle (LSP), R=-1, is stable and naturally becomes a dark matter candidate

$$\chi_1^0 = \alpha_1 \tilde{\boldsymbol{B}} + \alpha_2 \tilde{\boldsymbol{W}} + \alpha_3 \tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}_u^0 + \alpha_4 \tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}_d^0$$

Universal Extra Dimensions

Appelquist, Cheng, Dobrescu, Phys.Rev. D64 (2001) 035002

All SM particles propagate into flat ED ($R^{-1} \sim TeV$)

=> for each SM particle -> infinite tower of partner states with the same quantum numbers (n²/R², n=0 are SM particles)



Translational invariance along the 5th dimension

=> discrete symmetry called Kaluza-Klein parity $P_{kk}=(-1)^n$

=> the lightest KK-mode is stable

=> the LKP excellent dark matter candidate





WIMPs:

10⁶ per second through your thumb without being noticed!

10¹⁵ through a human body each day: only < 10 will interact, the rest is passing through unaffected!

If their interaction is so weak, how can we detect them?

Make them in Accelerators



Image the Sun's Core, the Galactic Halo or Center



Or go to Minnesota





X

... to get rid of COSMIC RAYS



X

deep down an old iron mine...

Direct WIMP Detection

WIMP

Every liter if space: 10–100 WIMPs moving with 10⁻³c X^0

v0

WIMPs scatter with nuclei:

Rate ~ N $\rho_{\chi}/m_{\chi} < \sigma_{\chi-N}$ >

N = number of target nuclei in detector ρ_{χ} = local WIMP density $\langle \sigma_{\chi-N} \rangle$ = scattering cross section

WIMP

Direct WIMP Detection

Elastic scattering: extreme NR limit

 \Rightarrow spin-spin interaction (coupling to the spin)

 \Rightarrow scalar interaction (coupling to the mass of the nucleus) $f(v)dv = \frac{4v^2}{v_0^3 \sqrt{\pi}} e^{-v^2/2}$

Event rate: depends on local WIMP

density and nucleus:

$$\frac{dR}{dQ} = \frac{\sigma_0 \rho_0}{\sqrt{\pi} v_0 m_{\chi} \mu^2} \exp\left(-\frac{Qm_N}{2\mu^2 v_0^2}\right) F^2(Q)$$

$$Q = \frac{|\vec{q}|^2}{2m_N} = \frac{\mu^2 v^2}{m_N} (1 - \cos\theta) \le 100 \text{ keV}$$



Direct WIMP Detection

Differential rate

A^2 x Form Factor



The form factor is the Fourier transform of the nucleon density (or of the `scattering centers')

$$F(\boldsymbol{Q}) = \left[\frac{3\boldsymbol{j}_1(\boldsymbol{q}\boldsymbol{R}_1)}{\boldsymbol{q}\boldsymbol{R}_1}\right]^2 e^{-(\boldsymbol{q}\boldsymbol{s})^2}$$

Direct detection techniques



World Wide WIMP Search



Where Do We Stand?



SUSY models

Current: < 0.2 event/kg/day or 2x10⁻⁷ pb (2x10⁻⁴³ cm²)

Most advanced experiments are testing the predicted SUSY parameter space

One evidence for a positive WIMP signal

Not confirmed by other experiments

DATA listed top to bottom on plot Heidelberg Moscow, 1998

IGEX 2002 limit DAMA 2000 58k kg-days Nal Ann.Mod. 3sigma,w/o DAMA 1996 limit Edelweiss 1 final limit, 62 kg-days Ge 2000+2002+2003 limit ZEPLIN 1 First Limit (2005) CDMS (Soudan) 2004 + 2005 Ge (7 keV threshold) Bottino et al. Neutralino Configurations (OmegaWIMP < OmegaCDMmin) Chattopadhyay et. al Theory results - post WMAP Baltz and Gondolo 2003 051109111701

Cryogenic Experiments

Phonon mediated detectors: detect thermal or fast phonons, after a WIMP interact in an absorber

A deposited energy => T-rise of absorber:

 $\Delta T = \overline{\frac{E}{C(T)}} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}, \qquad \tau = \overline{\frac{C(T)}{G(T)}}$

C(T) = heat capacity G(T)=thermal conductance link between the absorber and the reservoir at T_0

=> for pure dielectric crystals and superconductors at $T << T_c$:

$$C(T) \sim \frac{m}{M} \left(\frac{T}{\Theta_D}\right)^3 JK^{-1}$$

m = absorber mass, M = molecular weight Θ_D = Debye temperature

=> the lower the T, the larger ΔT per unit of absorbed energy

Transition Edge Sensors with Electrothermal Feedback

 $T_0 \ll T_c$; V_B is placed across the film (TES) => equilibrium: when ohmic heating balanced by heat flow into the absorber \wedge

When an excitation reaches the TES



=> R increases => I decreases by $\Delta I => P$ decreases

=> feedback signal = change in Joule power heating the film ($P=IV_B=V_B^2/R$)

The deposited energy:

$$\boldsymbol{E} = -\boldsymbol{V}_B \int \Delta \boldsymbol{I}(t) \mathrm{d}t$$

Transition Edge Sensors with Electrothermal Feedback

By choosing the voltage and the film resistivity properly

=> stable operating T on the steep portion of the transition edge



ET-feedback: leads to a thermal response time 10^2 faster than the thermal relaxation time + a large variety of absorbers can be used

The CDMS Experiment

At the Soudan lab in Minnesota, about 2090 mwe. Neutron background reduced from 1/kg/day to 1/kg/year.





Depth [meters water equivalent]

CDMS Detectors



Absorber:

250 g Ge or 100 g Si crystal 1 cm thick x 7.5 cm diameter T-sensor:

photolithographic patterned thin Al+W films



passive tungsten grid

low-field (~volts/cm) with segmented contacts to allow rejection of events near outer edge

Measure ionization in

3552 QETs

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Particles (electrons) that interact in surface "dead layer" of detector result in reduced ionization yield



¹³³Ba and ²⁵²Cf Calibrations

Use phonon risetime and charge to phonon delay for discrimination of surface events ("betas")

Ionization yield alone: Ionization+phonon timing: Rejects >99.9% of gammas, >75% of betas Rejects >99.9999% of gammas, >99% of betas



Phonon delay [µs]



Ionization Yield

CDMS II at Soudan





5 towers in Soudan icebox: 19 Ge (4.75 kg) and 11 Si (1.1 kg) detectors

CDMS Icebox and Shield



First Runs at Soudan

October 2003 - January 2004 one tower = 4 Ge and 2 Si detectors 62 raw livedays, 53 after cuts of poor noise etc 22 kg d Ge exposure (10-100 keV recoil) first results in 2004



March 2004 - August 2004 two towers = 6 Ge and 6 Si detectors 76 raw livedays, 74 after cuts of poor noise etc **38 kg d Ge exposure** (10 -100 keV recoil) first results in 2005



WIMP Search Data

Prior to timing cuts

After timing cuts



0.4 ± 0.2 (stat) ± 0.2 (syst) Ge background expected -> 1 event seen 0.6 ± 0.2 (stat) ± 0.2 (syst) Si background expected -> 0 events seen
Spin-Independent Limits and SUSY Predictions



WIMP Mass [GeV/c²]

ZEPLIN EDELWEISS CDMS 2004

DMS 2005

Spin-Dependent Limits

Pure neutron coupling

Pure proton coupling



⁷³Ge, spin-9/2, 7.73%, ²⁹Si, spin-1/2, 4.68%; both single unpaired n

SUSY Reach with 5 Towers

Installed 3 additional towers: 30 detectors: 4.75 kg of Ge, 1.1 kg of Si





25 kg 150 kg 1 ton

Other improvements: cryogenics, backgrounds, DAQ

Currently commissioning: => run through 2006 => improve sensitivity x10

Where Do We Stand?



 event/kg d: EDELWEISS, CRESST, ZEPLIN
 0.1 events/kg d: CDMS
 1 event/kg yr: CDMSII, CRESSTII, EDELWEISSII, ZEPLINII
 1 event/100 kg yr: future projects!

Predictions: Bottino & al, Ellis & Olive, Baltz & Gondolo

> 1 ton is needed in order to detect 10 events per year at $\sigma = 10^{-46}$ cm²

Proposed Projects

Project	Discrimin	Туре	Mass	Location
SuperCDMS	Yes	Ge/Si phonon/ioniz	1 ton	SNOLab
EUREKA	Yes	Ge, CaWO ₄ phonon/ion/scint	100 kg – 1†	Gran Sasso?
ZEPLIN-MAX	Yes	LiXe ioniz/scint 2 phase	1 ton	Boulby
XENON	Yes	LiXe ioniz/scint 2 phase	1 ton (10 x 100 kg)	Gran Sasso
DRIFT3	Yes + direction	TPC (CS ₂) negative ion	100 kg	Boulby
WARP/ArDM	Yes	LiAr ioniz/scint 2 phase	100 kg –1 ton	Gran Sasso
PICASSO	Yes	Superheated droplets (C ₄ F ₁₀), ¹⁹ F	1 kg	SNOLab

Liquid Xenon

High atomic mass (A ~ 131): favorable for SI case (σ~A²)
High atomic number (Z=54) and density (3 g/cm³)
=> self-shielding, compact geometry

Available in large quantities at reasonable costs

'Easy' cryogenics at -100 °C

No long lived radioactive Xe (except ¹³⁶Xe), can be easily purified

High photon yield (~NaI(Tl)) and high charge yield

Can separate spin/no spin isotopes: ¹²⁹Xe, ¹³⁰Xe, ¹³¹Xe, ¹³²Xe, ¹³⁴Xe, ¹³⁶Xe

Basic Processes in LiXe



Excitation: 175 nm singlet (3ns), triplet (27ns)

Ionisation: recombinations 15 ns

NR: strong recombination ER: good charge collection



A Two-Phase Liquid Xe Detector

n, WIMPs: slow nuclear recoils Strong columnar recombination Ionization (S2) strongly suppressed

e-, γ: fast electron recoils Stronger S2 signal

Ionization signal from nuclear recoils too small to be detected directly Extract charges from liquid to gas Detect proportional signal

(S2/S1)_{electron} >> (S2/S1)_{nuclear} event-by-event discrimination

Time Photomultipliers ~1 µs width $E_{\rm c}$ 5 us/cm Primarv -40 ns width E_d E_S>E_D

Challenge: ultra-pure liquid and high drift field to preserve small electron signal (~ 20 electrons); efficient extraction into gas phase, efficient detection of small primary light signal (~ 200 photons) associated with 16 keV nuclear recoil energy

The XENON Proposal



Modular design: 1t active Xe target distributed in an array of 10 3D position sensitive dual-phase (liquid/ gas) XeTPCs, actively shielded by 5 cm LXe veto.

R&D for XENON funded by NSF. Testing concept feasibility/capabilities with various prototypes. Construction and underground deployment of a 10 kg detector (XENON10) in 2006 approved.

1st 100 kg module (XENON100) to be ready for data taking by end of 2007. After 3 months at a background < 1×10^{-4} cts/keV/kg/day after rejection, the sensitivity of XENON-100 would be σ ~2×10⁻⁴⁵ cm².

10 kg Prototype for Gran Sasso

Goal: commission beginning 2006 10 kg, 3D dual-phase detector 10 cm drift gap Detector is being assembled now Gas purification/recirculation system exist Shield in construction DAQ: CAEN 8 channels FADCs





Hamamatsu R8520 QE>20% at 178 nm U/Th = 13/3 mBq Rb-Cs-Sb photocathode



Direct Detection and LHC/ILC



LHC: 2 TeV limit for gluino, squark, slepton m_X ~1/6 m_c = 300 GeV in most SUSY models

LHC: hard to tell the nature of the WIMP => need ILC (Battaglia, Peskin hep-ph/0509135)

Direct detection: cross section limited, but can go to higher masses

=> complementarity between LHC/ILC and SuperCDMS/XENON

Direct Detection and LHC/ILC



UED and Direct Detection

Spin-independent cross sections

5 100% B SuperCDMS 10^{-1} Excluded Xenor $/\mathrm{m}_{\gamma_1}$ by WMAP 5 $=\Delta m/$ CDMS 5-10⁻² ⊲ Excluded Ge by CDMS 2005 5 Si 1% 10% 10^{-3} 100 200 300 500 700 1000 2000 (GeV) m_{γ_1}

Baudis, Kong, Matchev, 2005 preliminary

Cross section on quarks depends on $\Delta_{q1}=(m_{q1}-m_{Y1})/m_{Y1}$ (LKP=Y1)

Take Δ_{q1} as free parameter => translate direct detection limits/predictions on cross section into (m_{Y1}- Δ_{q1})-plane

100% (red) curve corresponds to $\Omega_{\text{WIMP}(Y1)} \approx 0.27$ (from WMAP)

Indirect Detection

Observe the radiation produced in dark matter annihilation

The flux is proportional to the annihilation rate:

$$\Gamma_A = \rho_{DM}^2 \sigma_{ann} v m_{\chi}^{-2}$$

=> look at regions where large dark matter densities accumulate ('amplifiers') in the galactic halo and center: e^+ , \overline{p} , γ and v's in the Sun, Earth core: high-energy v's

Indirect Detection

 $\chi \chi \rightarrow bb, WW, \dots \rightarrow e^+, e^-, p, \overline{p}, \gamma$ $\chi \chi \rightarrow Z\gamma, \gamma\gamma$

 $\phi_{\text{prod}} \propto \langle \sigma_{\text{ann}v} \rangle \rho_{\chi}^2 / m_{\chi}^2 \times g \text{ (propagation)}$

particle physics parameters:

flux decreases with high χ mass flux increases with σ_{ann}

astrophysics/cosmology:

dark halo profile presence of clumps propagation parameters

Gamma Ray Detection

Ground-based telescopes: detect Cerenkov light in atmosphere (ACTs):

HESS (2004), MAGIC (2003), CANGAROO (2004), VERITAS (2006),...



Space-based telescopes: detect gamma's via e⁺e⁻ production

EGRET (on CGRO): 1991-2000, observed Universe from 30 MeV-30 GeV

GLAST: scheduled to launch in 2007, up to 100s of GeV

The Galactic Center

Excess of gamma rays from the galactic center region observed by:

EGRET (3EG J1746-2851)

WHIPPLE

CANGAROO

HESS

Before HESS: -



The Galactic Center

After HESS:



W. Hofmann, MPIK Heidelberg



Could It Be Dark Matter?

CANGAROO and HESS data: could be fit by neutralinos but very heavy ones in the case of HESS: M≈18 TeV (CANGAROO: M≈1.1 TeV)

Acceleration associated with SMBH nearby SN can not be ruled out Important to establish: source location time variability energy spectrum D. Horns, Phys. Lett. B 625, 225, 2005





The Diffuse Gamma Ray Sky

EGRET: large catalogue of gamma ray sources above 100 MeV (~60% unidentified)

Galactic plane emission (Milagro)



EGRET Excess of Diffuse Gammas

Diffuse component: excess by x2 above expected background

Interpreted as from Dark Matter Annihilation in the halo



Predicted EGRET Region and CDMS

EGRET gammas as DM annihilation

W. de Boer astro-ph/0408272 astro-ph/0508617



WIMP annihilation in Sun/Earth

PMTs

 μ^{-}

WIMPs will scatter with nuclei in the Sun and get trapped when $V < V_{escape} =>$ settle to the core => annihilate

Neutrinos ($\approx 1/3-1/2 \text{ m}_{WIMP}$) can escape and be detected in neutrino telescopes via muon tracks produced in CC interactions below the detector

Underground Detectors (MACRO, Super-K, ...) Arrays of PMTs deep in ice, lake, sea (AMANDA, Baikal, ANTARES, NESTOR, NEMO, IceCube, Km3Net)

SuperK WIMP Search Results

Earth

Sun



No excess seen above atmospheric neutrino background Phys. Rev. D70, 2004 SuperK Collaboration

Limits: Neutrinos from Sun/Earth

Sun





Green points: excluded CDMS 2004

J. Edsjö 2004, with DarkSusy

Summary

Direct detection discover relic particle constrain $(m, \rho \times \sigma)$

with input from LHC/ILC determine Plocal Indirect detection discover relic particle constrain $(m^2, \sigma \times \int \rho^2)$

with input from LHC/ILC determine PGC/halo

LHC/ILC

discover new particles determine physics model and MWIMP predict direct/indirect cross sections

Conclusions

Dark matter: very exciting field! Many ideas, many experiments...

Direct detection: 10⁻⁷ pb level reached for the first time (CDMS 2005) => test some SUSY and UED models

Indirect detection: several possible signals; predicted WIMP masses from 60 GeV – 18 TeV! (astrophysical uncertainties much higher)

LHC/ILC: will hopefully discover new particles and provide the microscopic properties of possible dark matter candidates.

GOAL: study the distribution of dark matter in the galaxy, understand how the galaxy formed

More slides...

Halo profile from N-body simulations

N-body simulations suggest a universal dark matter profile, with the same shape for all masses. The parameterisation for a dark matter halo density is:

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \rho_0 \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}}{\mathbf{R}}\right)^{\gamma-1} \left[1 + \frac{\mathbf{r}}{\mathbf{R}}\alpha\right]^{(\gamma-\beta)/o}$$

different groups => different results for the spectral shape in the innermost regions of galaxies and clusters namely for the parameter γ

	α	β	γ	R(kpc)
Kravtsov	2.0	3.0	0.4	10.0
NFW	1.0	3.0	1.0	20.0
Moore	1.5	3.0	1.5	28.0
Iso	2.0	2.0	0	3.5

The Density of Baryons

Strongest constraint comes from measurements of the D abundance by absorption of quasar light as it passes through gas clouds at high z

These absorption lines have been measured with the Keck telescope and the HST Since there are no known astrophysical sites producing D, all observed D is

=> $0.016 \leq \Omega_{\rm B}h^2 \leq 0.024$

=> Strong support for non-baryonic dark
 matter!
(yellow = CMB)



Predicted Signature: Annual Modulation



The diurnal modulation

In direction:



The mean recoil direction rotates over one sidereal day

The distribution of the angle α between the solar motion and recoil directions: peaks at α =180°

Quenching Factor and Discrimination

WIMPs (and neutrons) scatter off nuclei

Most background noise sources (gammas, electrons) scatter off electrons Detectors have a different response to nuclear recoils than to electron recoils! Quenching factor = describes the difference in the amount of visible energy in a detector for these 2 classes of events

charge and phonons in Ge $E_{visible} \sim 1/3 E_{recoil}$ for NR

(=> QF ~ 30% in Ge)

ER = background

NR = WIMPs or neutrons (background)



Recoil energy

Neutron Background

neutrons generated by muon interactions in the shield: tagged by muon veto `punch through' neutrons: HE n's produced by muon interactions in rock look at ratio of multiple scatters vs single scatter compare 2 different materials WIMPs: Ge has ~6x higher interaction rate per kg than Si



WIMPS 40 GeV

Background neutrons

The DAMA Experiment

500 ns

At LNGS (3800 mwe) 9 x 9.7 kg low activity NaI crystals, each viewed by 2 PMs (5-7 pe/keV) QF on I: ~ 8%



background level: ~1-2 events/kg/d/keV E_{threshold} ≈ 2 keV_e ≈ 25 keV_r End of data taking 2002 PSD: statistical analysis of pulse time constant => limit from 1996

100 ns



astro-ph/0307403, Riv. N. Cim. 26, 2003

The DAMA Signal

Annual modulation analysis:

-> 7 annual cycles:

107800 kg x days -> positive signal (6.3 σ CL)

Studied variations of: Τ, P(N₂), radon, noise, energy scale, efficiencies, n-background, μ-background



Day 1 = Jan 1, 1995; A = 0.0192 +/- 0.0031 c/d/kg/keV


Technical questions on DAMA

Claimed

signal

Efficiency?

the signal is in a region of sharply decreasing efficiency method of determining and monitoring efficiency local source spectrum of gammas

cpd/kg/keV Shape of the spectrum? spectrum before cut Energy (keV) detailed explanation of shape (why does it decrease at threshold?) MC simulations of backgrounds

Stability?

is threshold stability sufficient (<1%)? monitoring of other qualities (noise, etc)

DAMA energy calibration



"DAMA energy resolution at low energies is better than the resolution measured for much smaller crystals and better than the poissonian limit with a light yield of 10 p.e./keV"

(UKDM, Robinson et al., 2002)

The LIBRA Experiment

update to LIBRA:

250 kg of radio-pure NaI new electronics and DAQ

improved background (~few)

improved light yield

installation completed end 2002 runs since March 2003



Cryogenic Experiments

Principle: phonon mediated detectors

Motivation: increase the energy resolution + detect smaller energy depositions

Remember:

$$\Delta E \sim \sqrt{\varepsilon E}$$

In Si: ϵ = 3.6 eV /electron-hole pair.

Max phonon energy = 60 meV => many more phonons than e-hole pairs will be produced!

As dark matter detectors

thermal phonon detectors (measure an increase in T)

athermal phonon detectors (detect fast, nonequilibrium phonons)

Cryogenic Detectors

A deposited energy E will produce a temperature rise ΔT :

$$\Delta T = \frac{E}{C(T)} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}, \qquad \tau = \frac{C(T)}{G(T)}$$

C(T) = heat capacity G(T)=thermal conductance link between the absorber and the reservoir at T_0



Normal metals: the electronic part of $C(T) \sim T$, and dominates C at low T

Superconductors: the electronic part is ~ $exp(-T_c/T)$, $T_c = SC$ transition temperature negligible compared to lattice contributions for T<<T_c

Basic Principles

=> for pure dielectric crystals and superconductors at $T << T_c$:

$$C(T) \sim \frac{m}{M} \left(\frac{T}{\Theta_D}\right)^3 JK^{-1}$$

m = absorber mass, M = molecular weight Θ_D = Debye temperature

=> the lower the T, the larger ΔT per unit of absorbed energy

=> in thermal detectors: E is measured as the temperature rise ΔT

Example: at T = 10 mK, a 1 keV energy deposition in a 100 g detector

$$W \approx 2.35 \sqrt{k_B T^2 C(T)}$$

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TES with Electrothermal-Feedback

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When an excitation reaches the TES => the resistance increases => the current decreases by ΔI , as well as the Joule heating



the feedback signal = the change in Joule power heating the film P=IV=V²/R the energy deposited is:

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The Phonon Signal



Interaction creates THz (~ 4meV) phonons Phonons propagate to SC Al-fins on the surface, break Cooper pairs and create quasiparticles

Quasiparticles diffuse in 10 μ s through the Al-fins and are trapped in the W transition-edge sensors (TES) where they release their binding energy to the W electrons

The electron system T is raised increased R

The TES is voltage biased and operated in the Electro-Thermal Feedback (ETF) mode, $P_J = V_B^2/R$: when R increases, I decreases

 $\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{TES}}(\Omega)$



W Transition-Edge Sensor: a

really good thermometer

~ 10mK

€--->

Current change is measured by SQUIDs

The Ionization Signal

An interaction breaks up the electron-hole pairs in the crystal An electric field through the crystal separates the electrons and holes The charge is collected by electrodes on the surface of the crystal Two charge channels:

Main electrode: a disk in the center of the crystal surface

Second electrode: a ring at the edge of the crystal surface Events within few µm of the surface: deficit charge collection (`dead layer")



Goal of XENON



1t liquid xenon experiment in the Gran Sasso lab/Italy:

XENON10: 10 kg prototype, in GS beginning of 2006

XENON100: first 100 kg module, in GS in 2007/2008

XENON1t: 1 ton (10 x 100 kg modules), in GS in 2010-2015

Test a large part of the predicted parameter space

Discover WIMPs!

The Extragalactic Spectrum

D. Elsaesser, K. Mannheim Phys. Rev. Lett 94 (2005) 171302



EG WIMP Signal and Direct Detection



CDMS 2005 CDMS 2007

> EG WIMP M>500 GeV σ<10⁻⁷ pb

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LB, Kong, Matchev, 2005 preliminary