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DEAP 3600









The standard model of astronomy puts the composition of the universe at 23% Dark Matter.





DEAP is a **direct detection** experiment, looking for scintillation light produced when an argon nucleus recoils after scattering on a Dark Matter particle.







The challenges of **direct detection**: low energy, small signal rate



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The argon scintillation pulseshape differs by exciting particle type, allowing PSD against electron-recoil events projected to reach 10⁻¹⁰ at 60 keVr, 8PE/keV.



DEAP-3600

2 km (6800 ft) deep. 0.27 $\mu/\text{m}^2/\text{day}$.

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DAQ racks

Process systems -

Calibration source deployment system

LN₂ cryocooler





Liquid Argon (84 K, -188°C) single-phase 3.6 tonnes (total) 1 tonne (fiducial)



Acrylic vessel.









<10⁻¹⁹g/g ²¹⁰Pb, ~ppt U and Th







AV from clean acrylic, assembled underground.





AV annealed at ~85 C, 5 times.





Radon monitored and controlled.



Once AV is radon-tight, residual deposits are removed.



Resurfacer takes fraction of a mm off the AV's inside.



TPB wavelength shifter.

TPB under UV and visible light. ~µm thickness.

– Light guide.

Acrylic vessel.

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Specular and white reflector covers all surfaces.

– Filler block. **n** – Light guide. **n**

Acrylic vessel.

Filler-blocks for extra neutron and heat shielding.

_ Photo multiplier.

– Filler block. **(n)** – Light guide. **(n**)

-Acrylic vessel.

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FINEMET magnetic shield Copper thermal short PMT T > -40 C Mount LG

T ~ -184 C 255 Hamamatsu 5912 PMTs, oil coupled to LG faces. 71% coverage.

Cables, insulation.

Photo multiplier.

- Filler block. **n** - Light guide. **n**

Acrylic vessel.

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Steel shell.

Cables, insulation.

Photo multiplier.

– Filler block. **n** – Light guide. **n**

Acrylic vessel.

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Veto PMTs detect Cherenkov light from muons passing through the water thank.

Neck, cooling coil.

Steel shell.

Cables, insulation.

Photo multiplier.

- Filler block. **n** - Light guide. **n**

Acrylic vessel.

Liquid nitrogen storage, gas scrubber and cooling coil.

LED light injection system used to commission PMTs and DAQ system.

plot: J Cooley, arXiv: 1410.4960v2 prediction: C. Strege, arXiv:1212.2636v1

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