Dark Matter Direct Detection Experiments II. Specific Experiments and Axions

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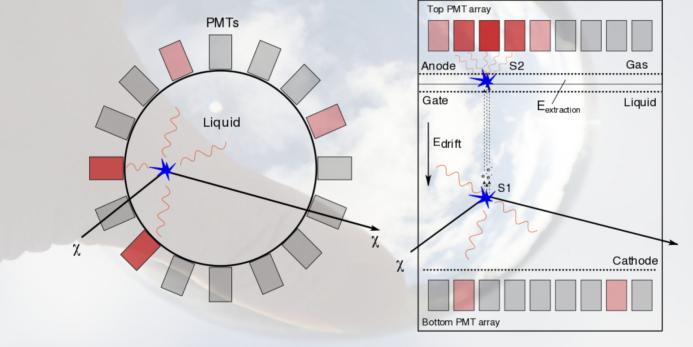


Contents II

- Liquid Noble Elements
- Bubble Chamber
- Crystal detectors
- Electron Scattering
- Axion Detection
 - In DD experiments
 - Axion Haloscope

Liquid Noble Gas detectors

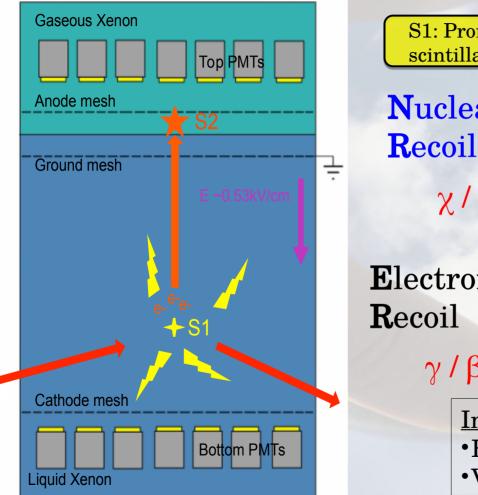
• Currently and in the foreseeable future leading the field for classical WIMPs, >10GeV

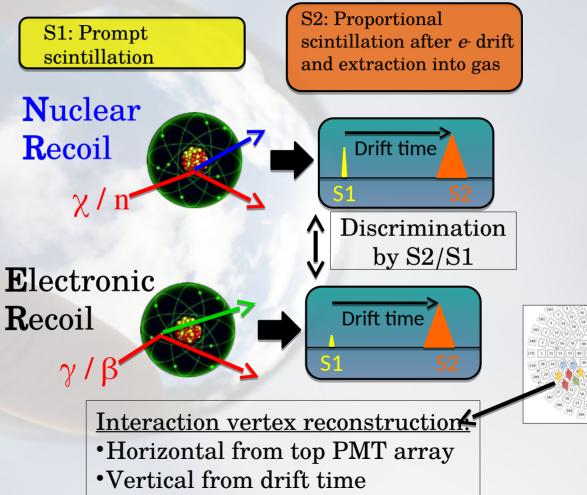


Single phase

Dual phase

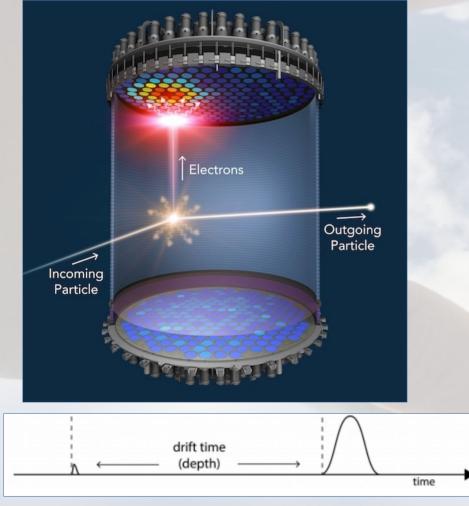
Dual Phase Xenon TPC – AGAIN...



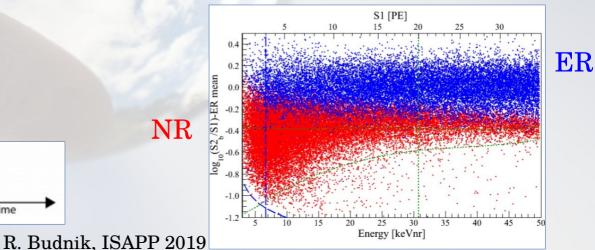




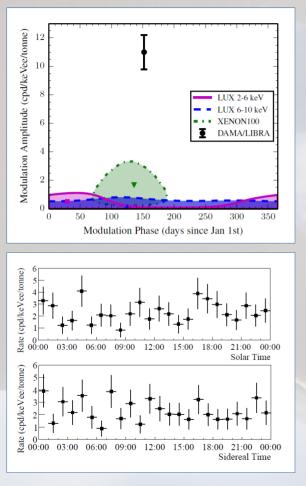
Dual Phase TPC Distributions



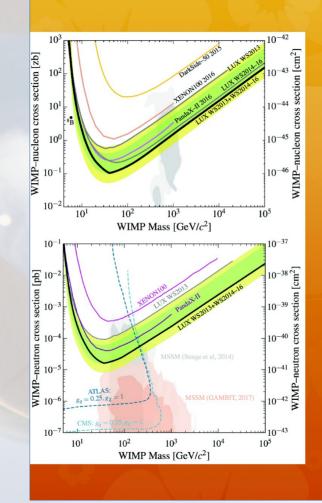
- Prompt scintillation photons give first signal (S1)
- Ionized e⁻ drift up to the anode and amplified, giving S2
- Time difference gives ${\bf Z}$ position
- S2 Hit pattern on top gives XY position
- Ratio S2/S1 indicates type of interaction



LUX – Forerunner Summer 2016



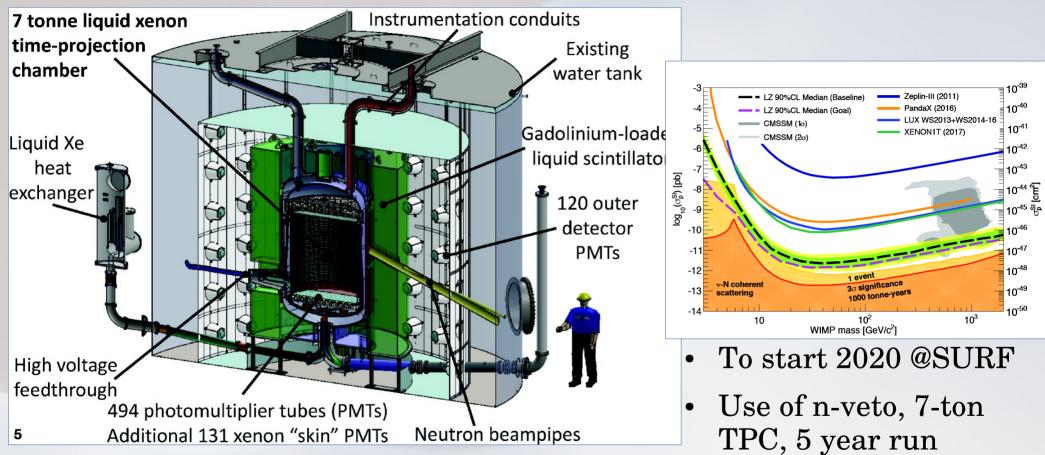
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LUX Impact 2013/17.

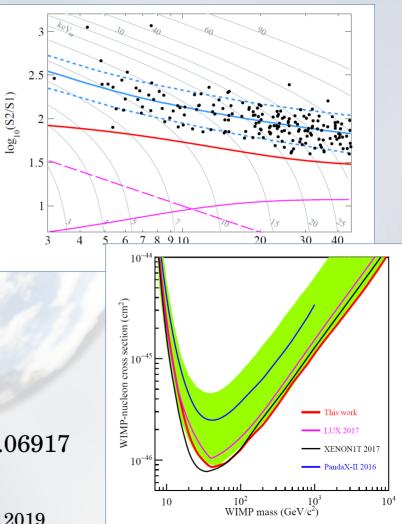
- LUX First Science Run in 2013 Second Science Run 2014-2016 Full exposure: 47.5 tonne.days (427 live-days)
- Improved Spin-Indep. WIMP Sensitivity by Factor 20x since state prior to 2013. Also Neutron Spin-Dep. Sensitivity.
- Axion/ALP Search
- Full self-consistent models for all backgrounds events and detector response
- In parallel: Major program improving LXe ER and NR calibration over wide energy range (including sub keV) with high statistics and low systematics. Allowed significant improvement in accuracy of Xe response models. Also clearly establishes sensitivity to 8B coh. scattering.
- LZ: Kim Palladino LZ: Christine Ignarra, Tues 15:30 LUX: Rick Gaitskell
 Wed 14:00

LZ-LUX+Zeplin



PandaX-II – Just behind

- Combining all runs, 54 ton X day
- Reduced Kr background, plus under-fluctuation
- Future plans for PandaX-4T and PandaX-III $(2\nu 0\beta)$

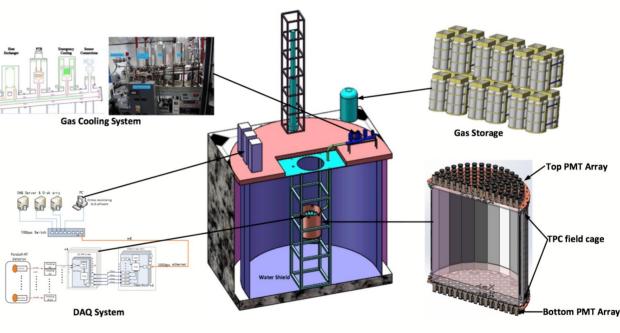


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PandaX-4T: Not wasting time

PandaX – 4t

to be installed at CJPL-II; scaleup by factor 8 4t LXe target with 6×10⁻⁴⁸ cm² sensitivity to SI interactions @ 40 GeV/c² assembly and commissioning: 2019-2020

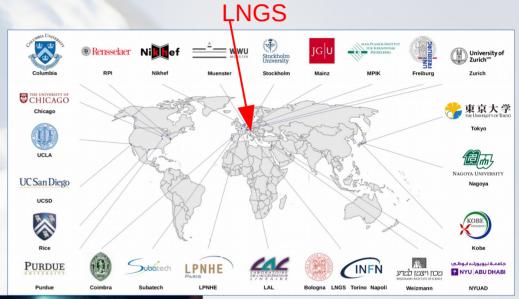


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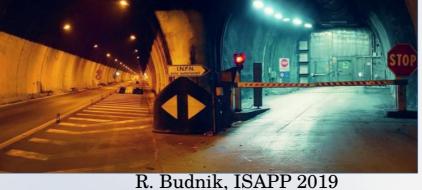


The XENON Collaboration at LNGS









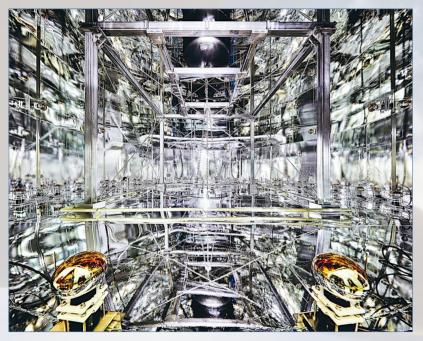
Timeline of the Xenon Program





Keeping XENON1T alive and well

Water Cerenkov Muon Veto





PMTs Top



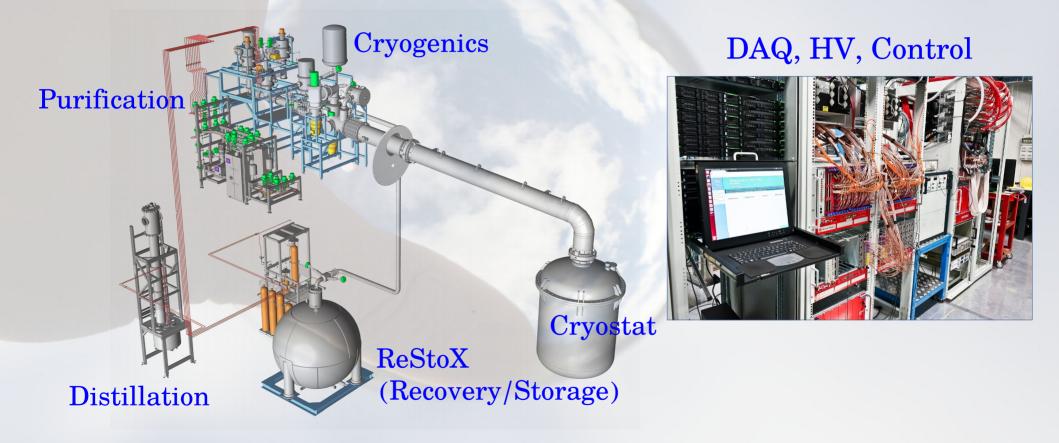




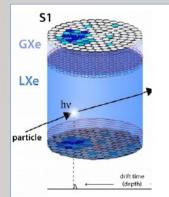
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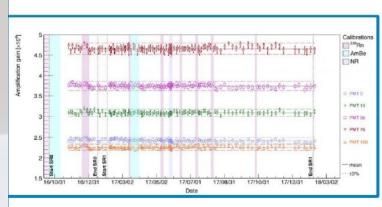


Light collection: S1



Dark Matter Project





PTFE Lining

- High reflectivity
- Low radioactive background
- Covers entire inner volume

Highly sensitive light detection

- 248 Hamamatsu R11410-21 PMTs
- Quantum efficiency: 35% @178nm
- Operating gain 5x10⁶ @ 1.5kV
- Single photoelectron acceptances ~94%
- Gains stable within 1-2%
- Low background design

JINST 12 (2017) no.01, P01024 2017-01-30)

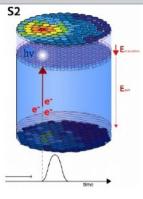
Near-transparent field grids - Transparencies >90%





X E N O N Dark Matter Project

Charge – S2 Energy estimate

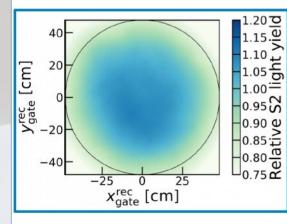


Electron Lifetime

- Ionization e- absorbed by impurities
- Exponential loss w.r.t. drift time
- Monitoring with ²²²Rn alpha decays and ^{83m}Kr calibrations

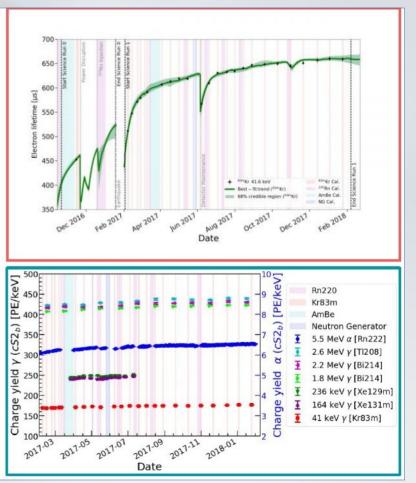
Amplification correction

- x-y dependent amplification correction
- Driven by anode 'sagging' w.r.t. gate



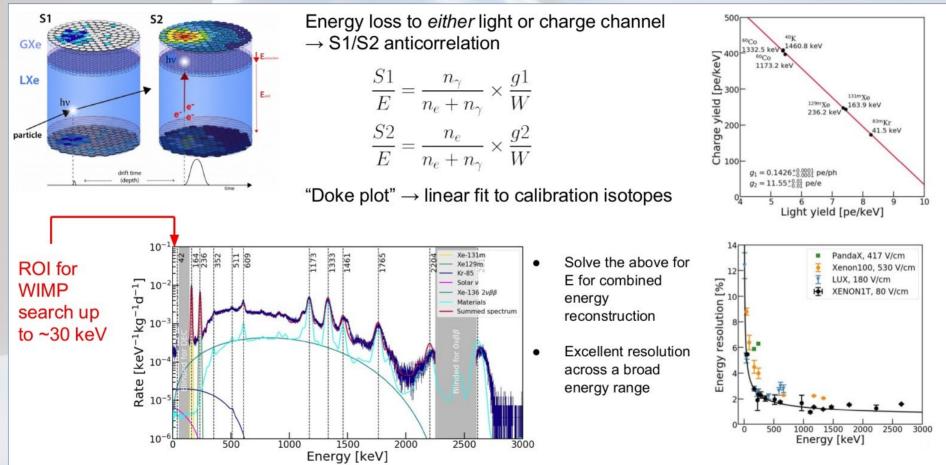
Charge yield

- Monitored with ²²²Rn progeny, activated Xe,
- ^{83m}Kr
- Stable within a few percent
- Slight rise during science run probably driven by improving purity





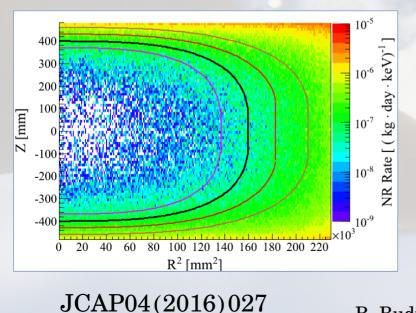
S1+S2 Energy reconstruction



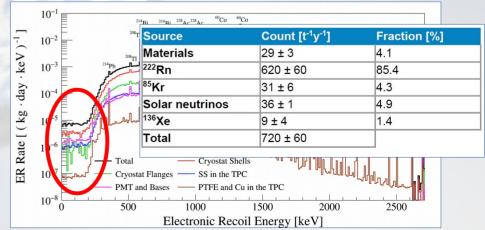


Backgrounds

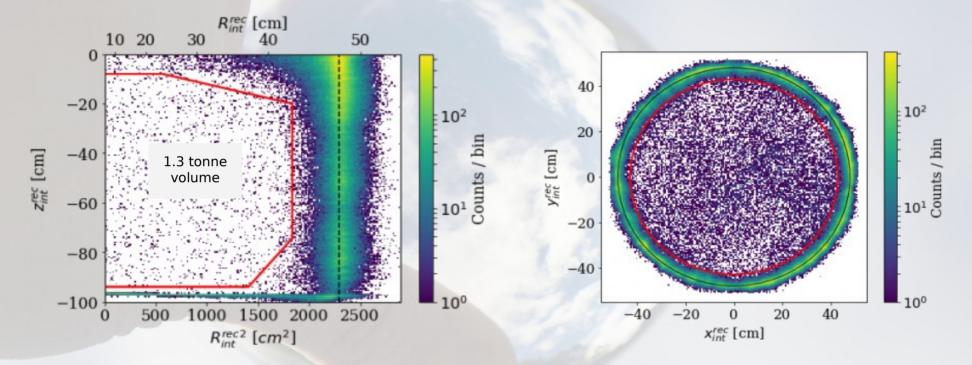
- Nuclear Recoils
 - From U, Th (radiogenic)
 - From cosmic radiation
 - Total <1 for full exposure



- Electron Recoil
 - From internal sources (mostly Rn, Kr)
 - From radioactivity of materials
 - With discrimination o(1) for full exposure

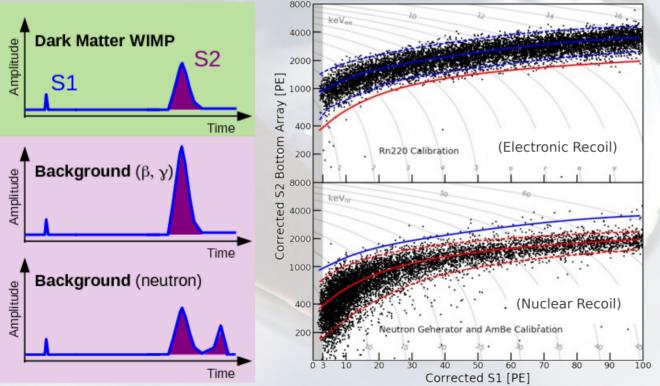


Fiducialization



Removes high rate of events from detector materials

Particle Discrimination



Electronic recoils (ER) and nuclear recoils (NR) give different amounts of scintillation and ionization

Scintillation/Ionization ratio gives particle discrimination

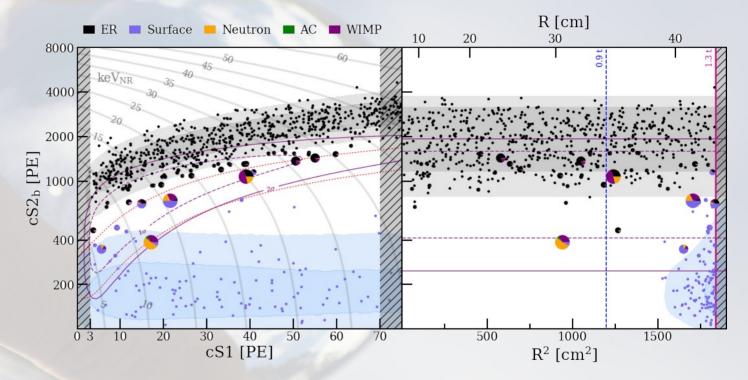
Calibrations to determine ER and NR bands

Spin-independent WIMP search results

278 day live time, 1.3 tonne volume: 1 tonne yr exposure

Background and WIMP distributions are fed into a 4D profile-likelihood fit

Small points show background-like events, larger points show larger WIMP likelihood



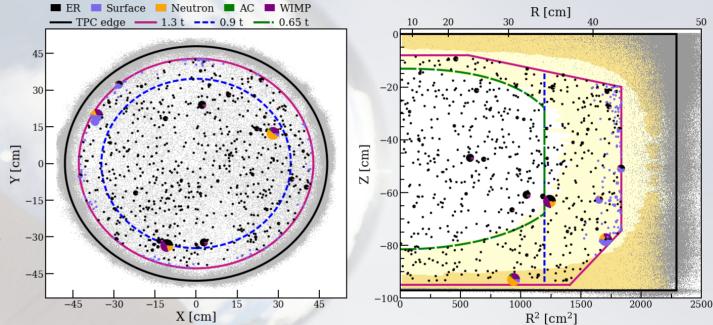
Pie chart color shows the likelihood that each event comes from each source distribution

Spin-independent WIMP search results

Mass	1.3 t	0.65 t
$(cS1, cS2_b)$	Full	Reference
\mathbf{ER}	627 ± 18	$0.60 {\pm} 0.13$
neutron	$1.43{\pm}0.66$	$0.14{\pm}0.07$
$CE\nu NS$	$0.05{\pm}0.01$	0.01
\mathbf{AC}	$0.47\substack{+0.27 \\ -0.00}$	$0.04\substack{+0.02\\-0.00}$
Surface	106 ± 8	0.01
Total BG	$735{\pm}20$	$0.80 {\pm} 0.14$
$\rm WIMP_{best-fit}$	3.56	0.83
Data	739	2

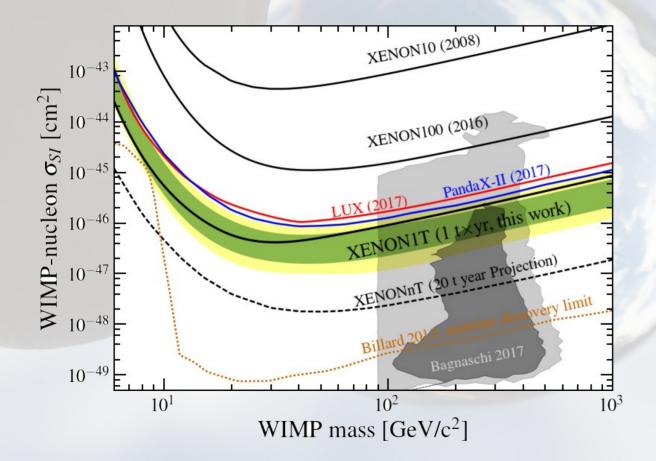
Full likelihood analysis shows no excess over expected background

Events near the surface can be removed using a more stringent fiducial cut



Pie chart color shows the likelihood that each event comes from each source distribution

Spin-independent WIMP Search results

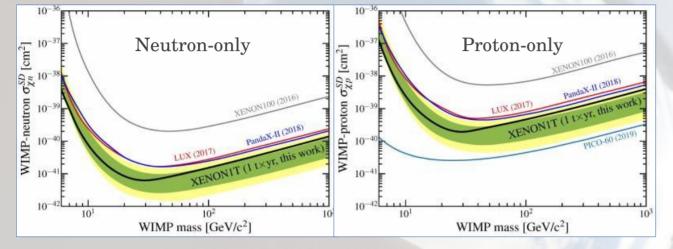


Most stringent limit on WIMP-Nucleon cross-section at all masses above 6 GeV

No excess greater than 2σ over full mass range

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Spin-dependent WIMP Search



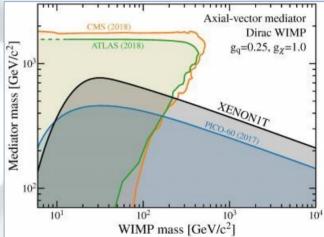
Limits on WIMP interactions with ¹²⁹Xe and ¹³¹Xe

Event selection same as SI WIMP search

Constrain new region in WIMP mass-mediator mass space using a restricted model for comparison with LHC results

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Comparison with LHC limits

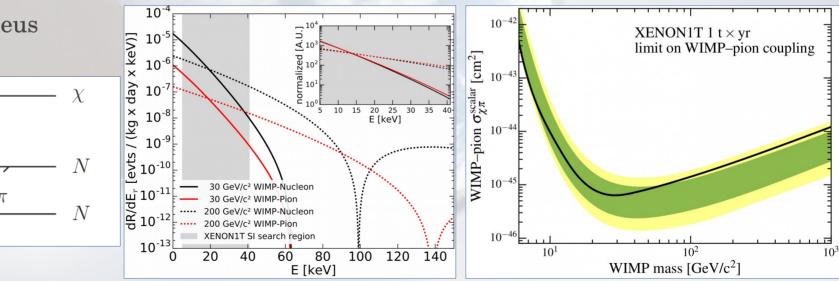


WIMP-pion cross-section limits

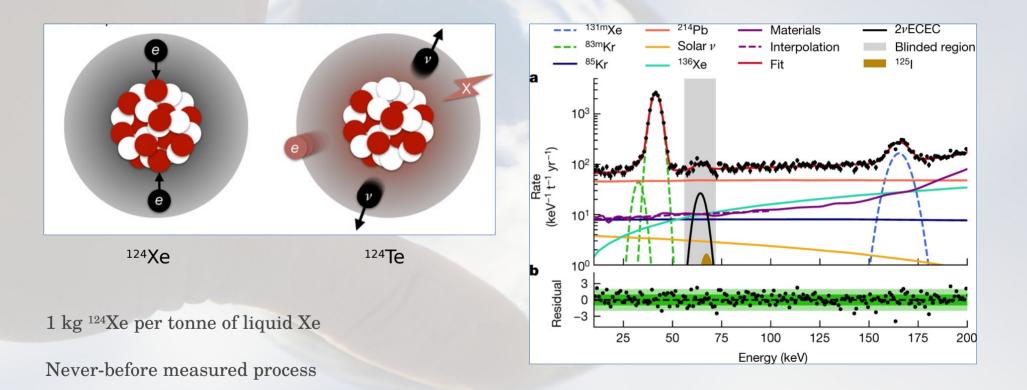
WIMPs could also interact with pions exchanged in the nucleus

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In the case that WIMP-nucleon cross-section is suppressed, can set limit on WIMP-pion interactions

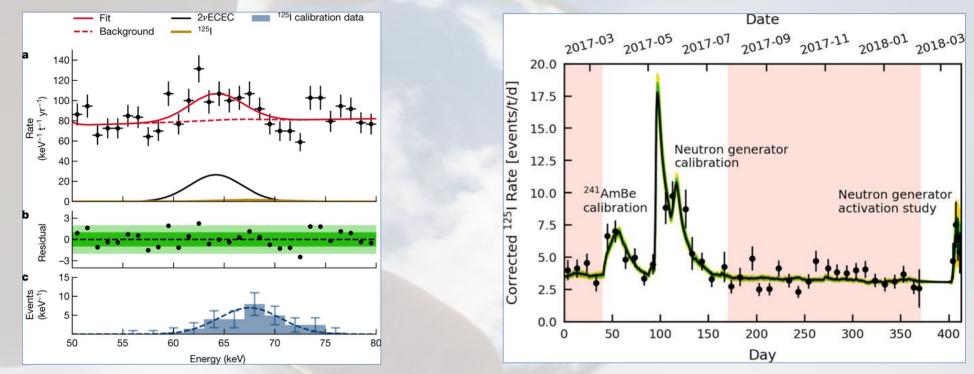


Double Electron Capture in ¹²⁴Xe



XENON, (2019)

Double Electron Capture in ¹²⁴Xe



Half-life of $(1.8 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{22}$ years, longest directly measured half-life to date

Modeled nearby background $^{\rm 125}{\rm I}$ from activation from neutron calibration



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XENONnT – Swift upgrade



MINIMAL UPGRADE

XENON1T infrastructure and sub-systems originally designed for a larger LXe TPC



NEW TPC Larger inner cryostat 476 PMTs

FIDUCIAL XE TARGET

Fiducial mass: ~4 t Target LXe mass: 5.9 t Total LXe mass: 8 t



LXe PURIFICATION

Faster cleaning of large LXe volume (5000 SLPM)

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Identified strategies to reduce ²²²Rn backgorund by a factor ~10



Rn DISTILLATION

Online removal of ²²²Rn emanated inside the detector

FAST TURNAROUND

Installation starts in 2018 Commissioning in 2019



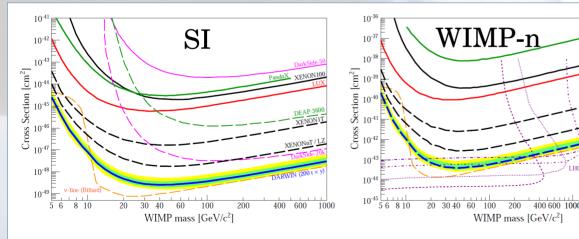
NEUTRON VETO

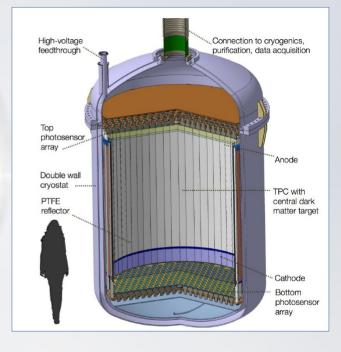
Tagging and in-situ measurement of neutron-induced background – Gd Sulphate in water



DARWIN – The ultimate LXe exp?

- Can we reach the ν floor?
 - Would require O(50t) Xe
 - Backgrounds at unprecedented levels
 - Technology stretching to the end: HV, purity, calibration, stability...
 - Probably means cooperation between long-time competitors
 - PandaX might surprise (again)!





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DarkSide50 and 20k: Argon!

High light yield: LAr Pulse Shape Discrimination >10⁷

ArDM

- Underground Argon: low ³⁹Ar
- TPC 3D event reconstruction
- High-efficiency neutron vetoing

DarkSide-50

150/50/30 kg total/active/fiducial Sensitivity<10-44 cm² Data: 2013-present

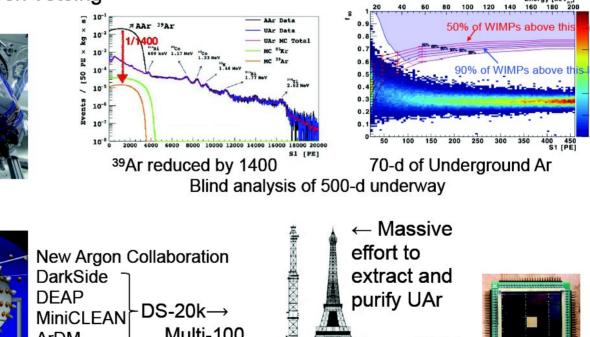
DarkSide-20k

30/23/20 T

tot/act/fiducial Sensitivity<10⁻⁴⁷ cm²

Data: ~2021





SiPMs

PMTs

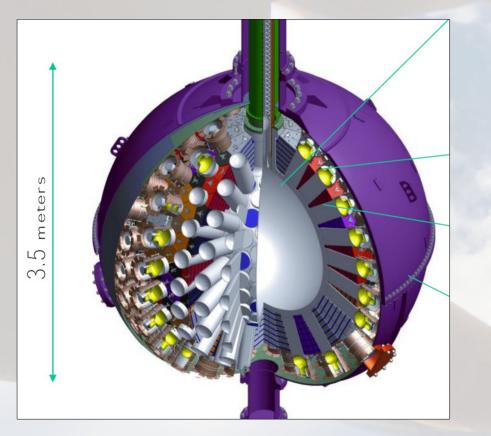
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Multi-100

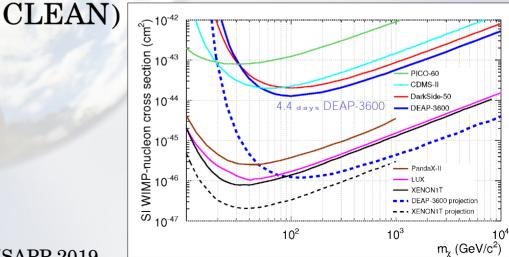
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Single phase - DEAP3600



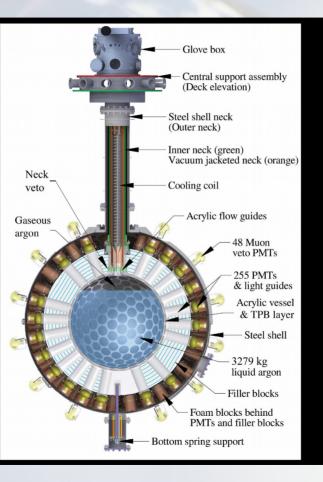
• 3.6t of LAr

- Low radioactivity underground Ar
- Great discrimination, LY, purity
- Has great potential at high masses
- Future prospects for >100t global experiment (with DS, ArDM,



DEAP new results

- 3300 kg single phase LAr in SNOLAB in Canada
- Single acrylic vessel viewed by 255 PMTs
- Filled in 2016, running since then
- Recent result in 1902.04048
 - Largest exposure of dark matter experiment to date
 - Power of PSD
 - Good light collection
 - Low external backgrounds

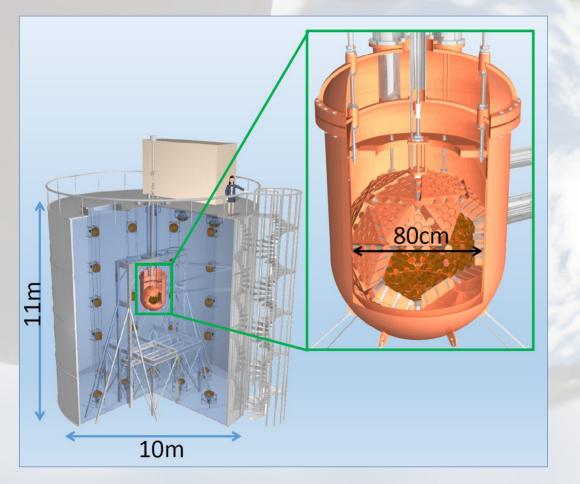


Unexpected background of 210Po in the "neck" caused reduced acceptance

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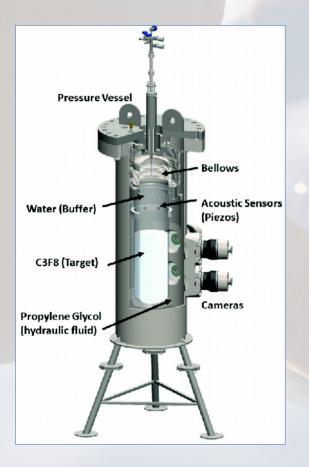
- Eventual limits not world leading
- Largest exposure ≠ Highest sensitivity!

XMASS in a nutshell



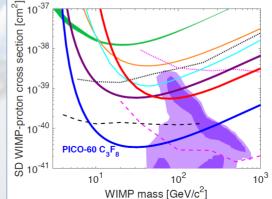
- Single phase Xe detector
- Precise and beautiful technology
- However, without the PSD of Ar proved to be "slower" than competing technologies
- Decommissioned

PICO – Bubble chambers back in the biz



- Using bubble nucleation plus acoustic (to reject α 's)
- PICO60 best in **SD proton cross section**
- PICO500 under construction
- Fight with n-background, water background

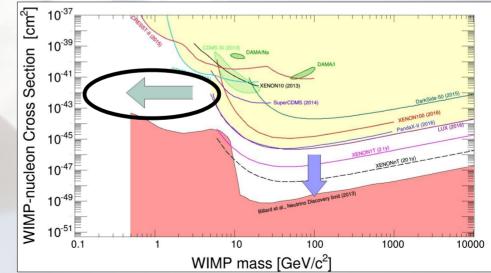
WIMP - Proton Exclusion



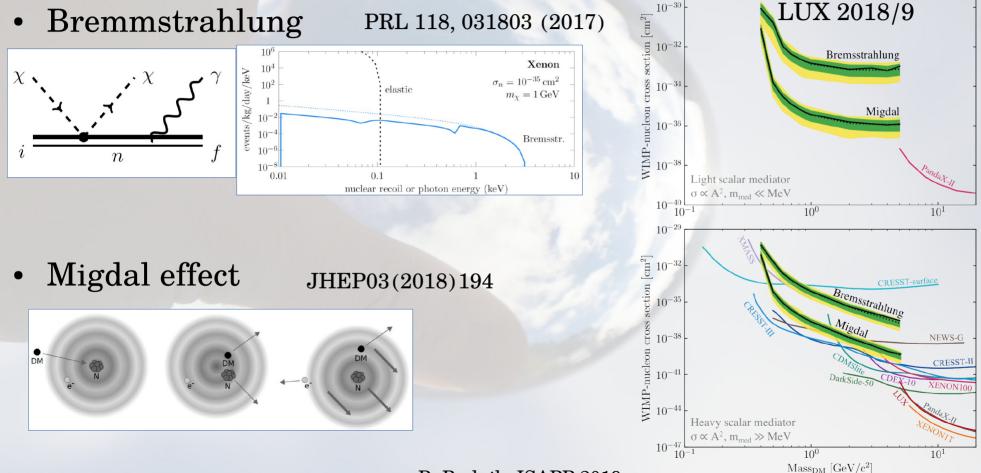
The 90% C.L. limit on the SD WIMP-proton cross section from PICO-60 C_3F_8 blue, along with limits from PICO-60 CF3I (red), PICO-2L (purple), PICASSO (green), SIMPLE (orange), PandaX-II (cyan), IceCube (dashed and dotted pink), and SuperK (dashed and dotted black)

The "Low Mass Frontier"

- Name of the game Lower threshold, control backgrounds
- Main competitors: Crystals with all channels
 - BUT maybe LXe has a say with Migdal or Bremmstrahlung?
- Ongoing R&D efforts for low noise, low T, low background, low threshold



BUT – new ideas for interpretation may bring LXe here as well!



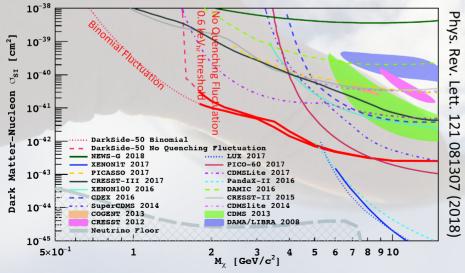
And... Giving up on S1 for low threshold

Ionization signal (S2): threshold < 0.1 keV_{ee} / 0.4 keV_{nr}

Sensitive to low mass WIMPs

Use Ionization (S2) Only.

- PMTs have almost zero dark rate at 88K
- Amplified in the gas region (~23 PE/e⁻)
- Sensitive to a single extracted electron
- Radioactivity rate in the detector is remarkably low
- No need of PSD
- The electron yield for nuclear recoils increases at low energy DS-50 can detect down to **single electron**.



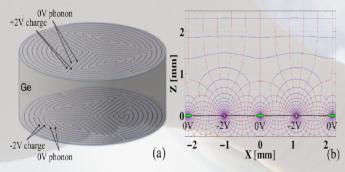
- Both Xe and Ar TPCs can go "S2-Only"
- Much lower threshold, both NR and ER
- Larger backgrounds reduced fiducialization, no discrimination
- Can (mostly) only set limits and not discover
- Here, DS-50 as the latest example

Semiconductor Calorimeters

Phonon + Ionization EDELWEISS, CDMS

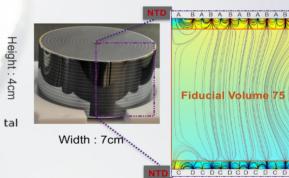
CDMS interleaved Z-sensitive Ionization Phonon (iZIP) detector

- 15 x 600g detectors
- 2 charge + 2 charge
- 4 + 4 TES fast phonon channel



EDELWEISS FID800

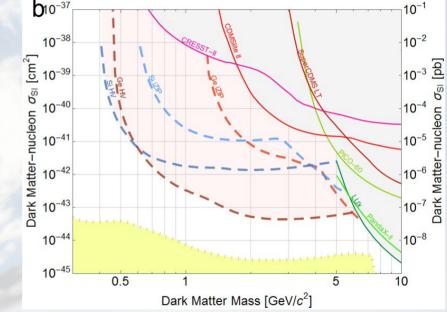
- 36 x 800 g detectors
- 2 charge + 2 charge
- 2 NTD simple phonon channel

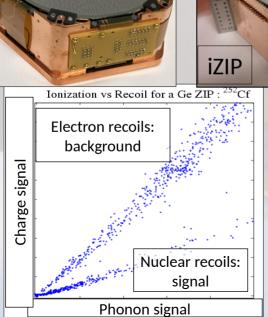


- Cryogenic temperatures (20-50mK)
- Discrimination of e/γ- events via ionization yield
- Low threshold (sub keV)
- Surface events identified thanks to ID electrodes

SuperCDMS

- Ge and Si crystals at 10s of mK using TES for phonons, plus ionization
- The old-time leader, re-invented to lead in the low mass range
- Will start data taking 2020 @SNOLAB



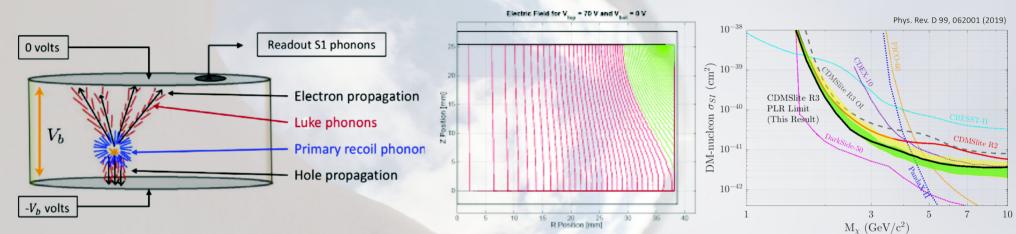


HV

CDMSLite – Aggressively lowering the threshold

Lite/HV-mode

Charge mediated phonon amplification (Neganov-Trofimov-Luke Effect)



- Drifting charges produce large phonon signal proportional to ionization
- Electron recoils much more amplified than nuclear recoils
 - gain in threshold AND dilute background from electron recoil events

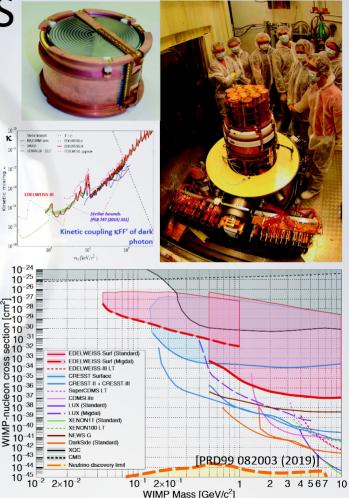
NTL effect mixes charge and phonon signal reducing discrimination Requires Lindhard Model to convert to nuclear recoil equivalent energy

EDELWEISS STATUS AND PLANS

- EDELWEISS-III: operation of largest mass of cryogenic Ge (30 kg) for DM searches
 - Cumulated exposure (2014-2015): 8 kg.y
 - Excellent ID of nuclear recoils and surface events [JINST12 P08010 (2017)]
 - DM searches involving nuclear recoils [EPJC 76 (2016) 548] or electron recoils [PRD 98 082004 (2018)]

Prospects in the sub-GeV-WIMP range:

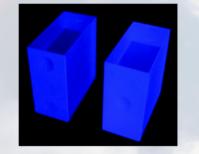
- Limited potential of 860g units in this domain. [PRD 97 022003 (2018)].
- − Sub-GeV goal: keep rejection capabilities \rightarrow 33g units, resolutions 10 eV phonon, 20 eV_{ee} charge
- 2018 surface run with a 33g prototype:
 - 30x improvement in phonon resolution achieved: 18 eV phonon resolution + 60 eV recoil threshold
 - Best surface limit for WIMPs above 0.6 GeV/c²
 - Best surface neutron spin-dependent limits between 0.5 and 1.3 GeV/c²
 - Limits using Migdal effect: best for 45-150 MeV/c²



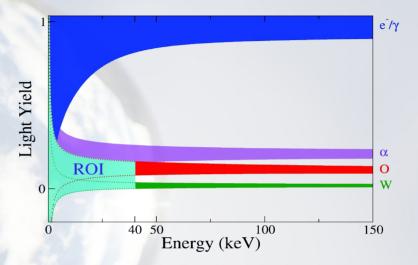
CRESST III – Scintillating Calorimeter

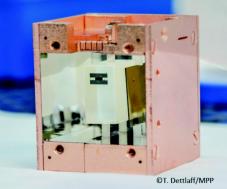
Phonon + Light

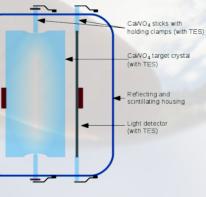
CRESST: Scintillating CaWO₄ crystals as target



- Target crystals operated as cryogenic calorimeters (~15mK)
- Separate cryogenic light detector to detect the scintillation light signal



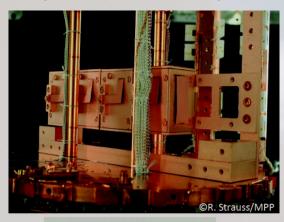




CRESST-III detector layout optimized for low-mass dark matter

CRESST III demonstrating record thresholds

First CRESST-III data taking from May 2016 to February 2018



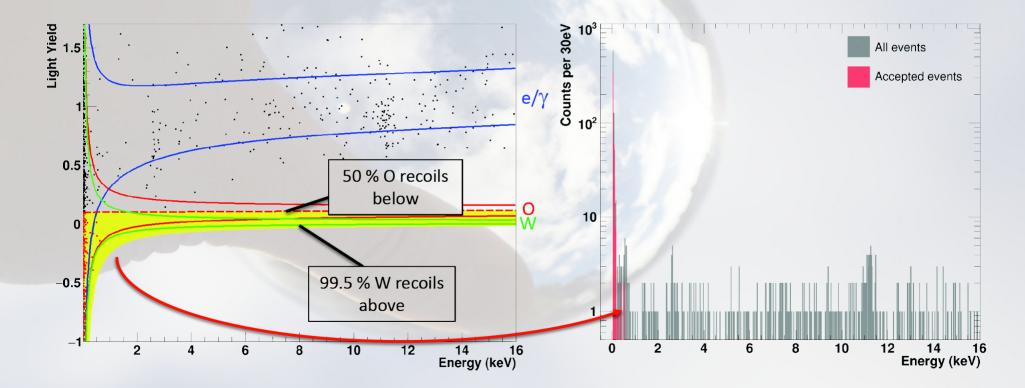




arXiv:1904.00498 One crystal of 23.6g Nuclear recoil threshold of 30.1 eV Resolution at zero energy σ = 4.5eV

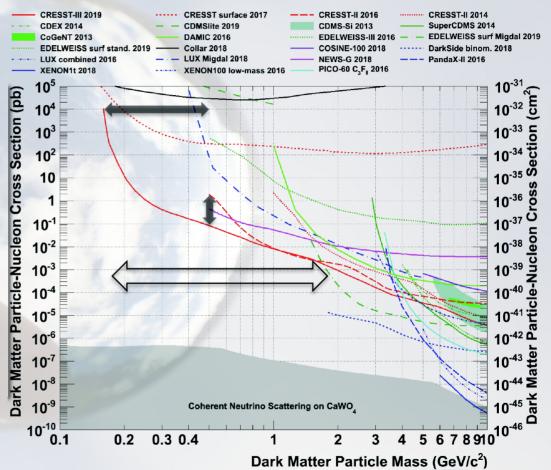
CRESST III demonstrating record thresholds

Analysis optimized for very low energies: $30eV \rightarrow 16keV$

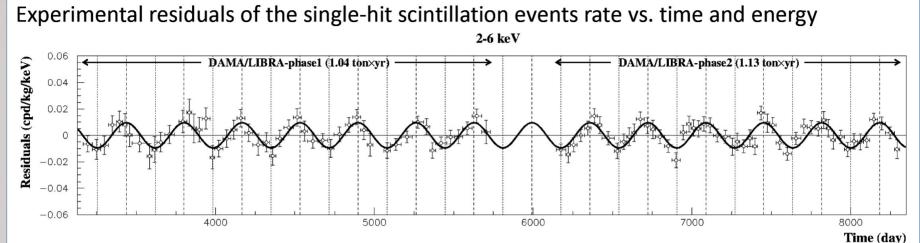


CRESST III results

- Unexpected rise of event rate
 < 200eV
- Unprecedented low nuclear recoil threshold of 30.1eV
- More than one order of magnitude improvement at 0.5 GeV/c²
- Extended reach from
 0.5GeV/c² to 0.16GeV/c²
- Leading sensitivity over one order of magnitude: 160MeV/c² → 1.8GeV/c²
 +Upgrade for 2020!



DAMA/LIBRA – Still unanswered?



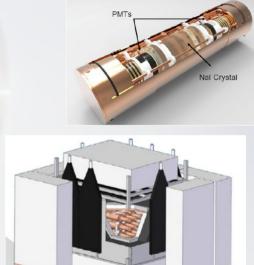
- 250kg of NaI(Ti) with PMTs (scintillation light)
- DAMA/LIBRA Phase 1 + 2 : 2.17 tonne years
- Statistical significance: 11.9σ
- Model independent
- Modulation evident in the lowest energy bins
- Excluded by other DM searches



Can someone finally solve the DAMA/LIBRA conundrum?

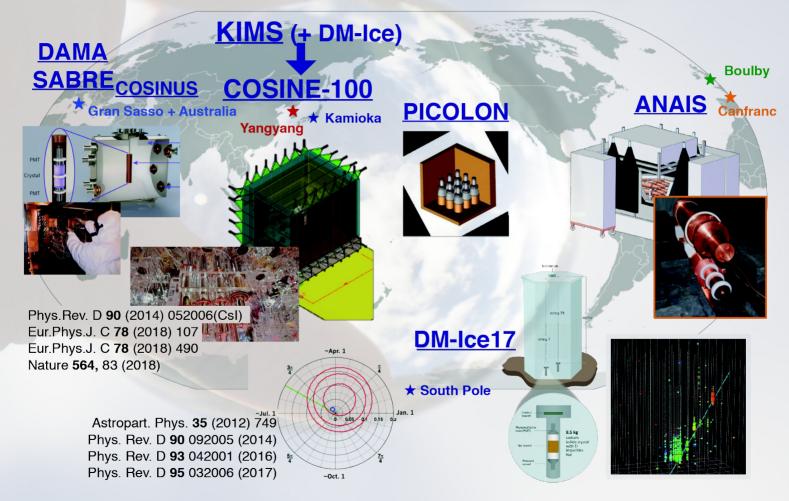
- Can we resolve a two decade old puzzle of disagreement with so many experiments?
 - SABRE
 - ANAIS
 - DM-ICE
 - PICOLON
 - COSINE-100
 - COSINUS



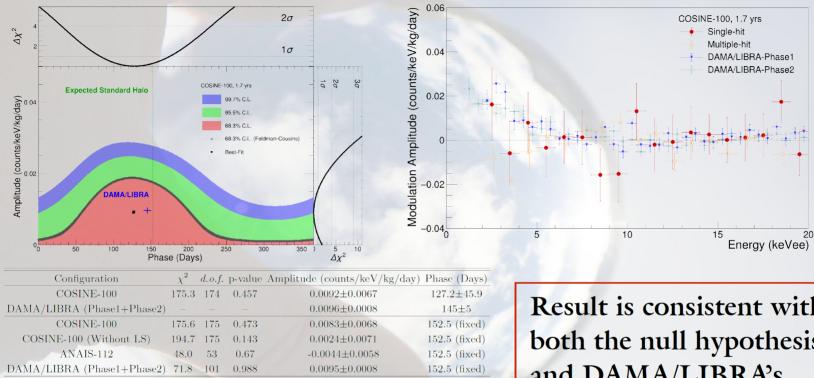


• Efforts should yield an answer is a few years...

DAMA/LIBRA Yay or Nay around the world



COSINE-100 First results – caution!



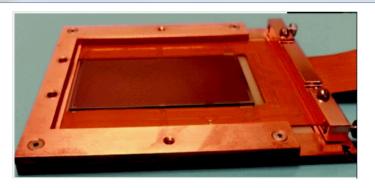
Best fit amplitude and phase for 2–6 keV: $- 0.0092 \pm 0.0067 \text{ cpd/kg/keV}$

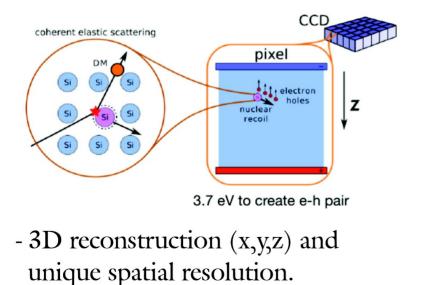
 -127.2 ± 45.9 days

Result is consistent with both the null hypothesis and DAMA/LIBRA's best fit value.

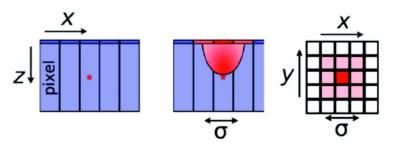
DAMIC

- Silicon ionization device with pixel arrays, much like off the shelf cameras (16 Mpx CCDs)
- 40 g detector commissioned in 2017

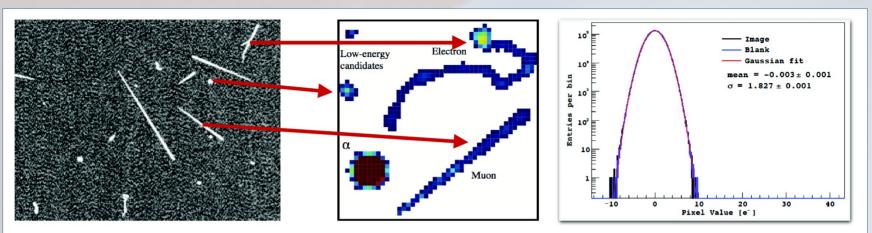




- Detection of point-like energy deposits induced by particle interactions in bulk of detector



DAMIC

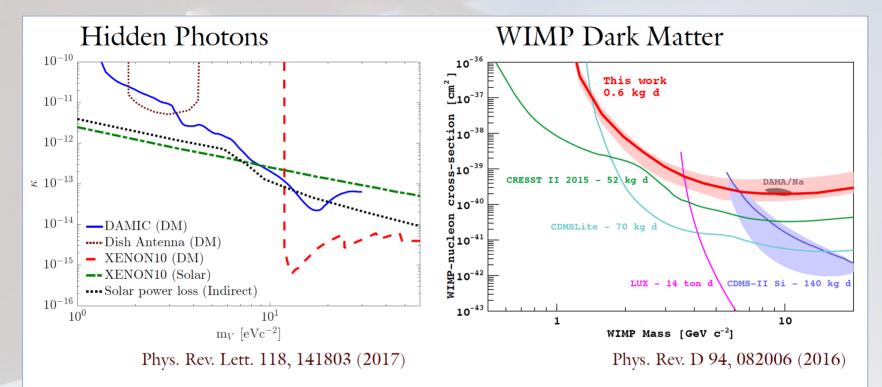


- Powerful ability to "image" particles and discriminate interactions
- Lowest ever measured dark current (~thermal excitations) in a Si detector:
 - <0.001 e-/pix/day (@ 140 K)

allow a very low detection threshold of ~50 eVee

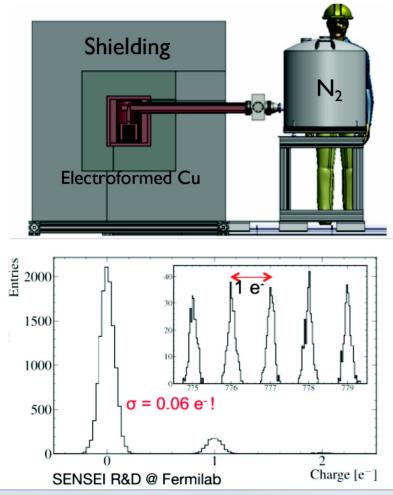
- very low read out noise of ~ 1.6 e-
- Excellent sensitivity to light dark matter candidates!

DAMIC results



- (90% C.L.) for the hidden-photon kinetic mixing \varkappa as a function of hidden photon mass $m_{V_{\rm c}}$
- (90% C.L.) for WIMP dark matter using a likelihood analysis.

DAMIC-M @ Modane – the future



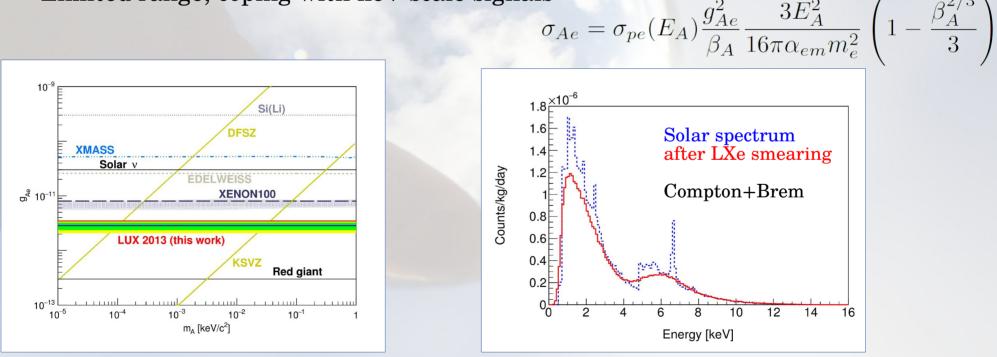
- A kg sized detector at LSM (Laboratorie Souterrain de Modane)
- Largest CCDs ever constructed
 - 36 M pixels, 20 g each - 50 CCDs
- Single e- counting (sub-electron noise resolution)
- Commissioning in 2023

Things we did not cover

- Effective Field Theories (EFT) interpretation
- "Paleo" detectors
- Single channel Ge, Si detectors
- R&D for future LDM experiments
- Up-scattering of LDM in the Sun/halo/Crs
- Indirect searches through neutrinos
- "double scatter" DM
- And more...

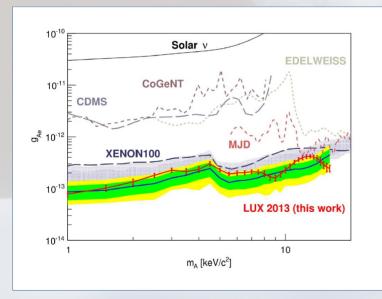
Axions – Solar/ALPs with DD

- Axion or Galactic Axion-Like-Particles (ALPs) can be searched for in the ER data of DM experiments
- The search is for absorption through the "axio-electric" effect
- Limited range, coping with keV scale signals



ALP search with DD experiments

- ALPs move non-relativistically, hence the energy comes from the absorption of the rest mass searches are for keV range of masses
- Cross sections change significantly, following the photoeletric effect



$$\frac{dN}{dE} = \sigma_{Ae} \cdot \frac{d\Phi}{dE}$$

Axion makes the whole of dark matter ($\rho = 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$) => $\Phi = \rho v_A/M_A = 9 \times 10^{15} \beta_A$

$$\frac{evt}{kg \cdot day \cdot E} = \sigma_{Ae} \cdot \left(\frac{1.29 \times 10^{19}}{A}\right) \cdot g_{Ae}^2 \cdot M_A$$

$$g_{Ae} \sim \left(\frac{dN}{Exposure}\right)^{1/4}$$

Axions as cold dark matter

Density

$$\Omega_a \sim \left(\frac{10^{-5} \text{ eV}}{m_a}\right)^{\frac{7}{6}} \alpha(t_1)^2$$

Velocity dispersion

 $\delta v_a(t_0) \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-17} c \left(\frac{10^{-5} \text{ eV}}{m_a}\right)^{\frac{5}{6}}$

Effective temperature

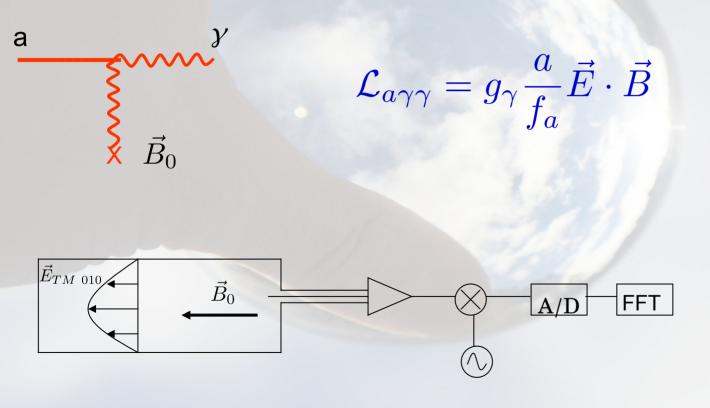
$$T_{a,\text{eff}}(t_0) \sim 10^{-34} \text{ K} \left(\frac{10^{-5} \text{ eV}}{m_a}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Axion Search Techniques

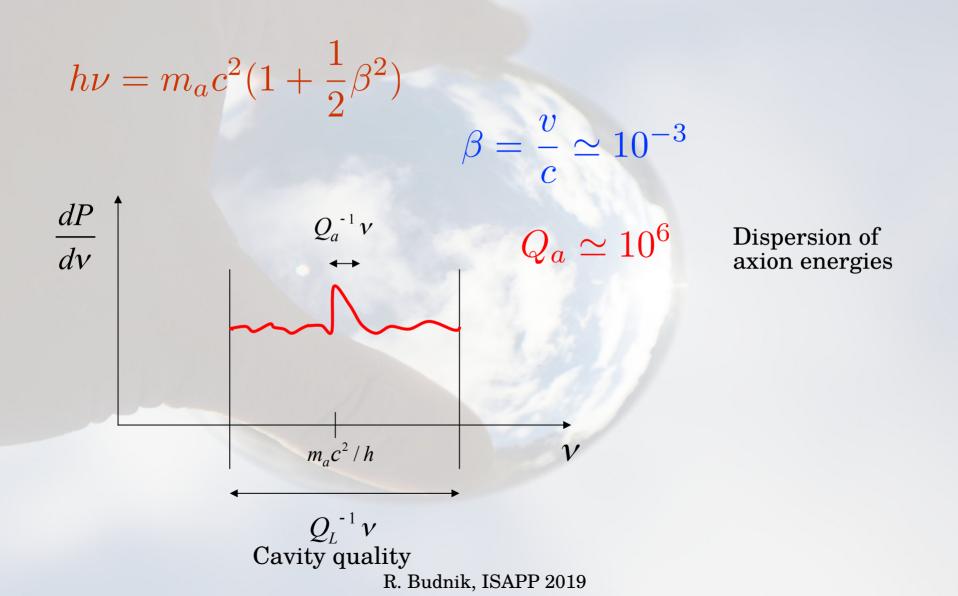
- the cavity haloscope
 - the axion helioscope
 - shining light through wall
 - axion mediated long-range forces
 - NMR methods
 - LC circuit
 - atomic transitions

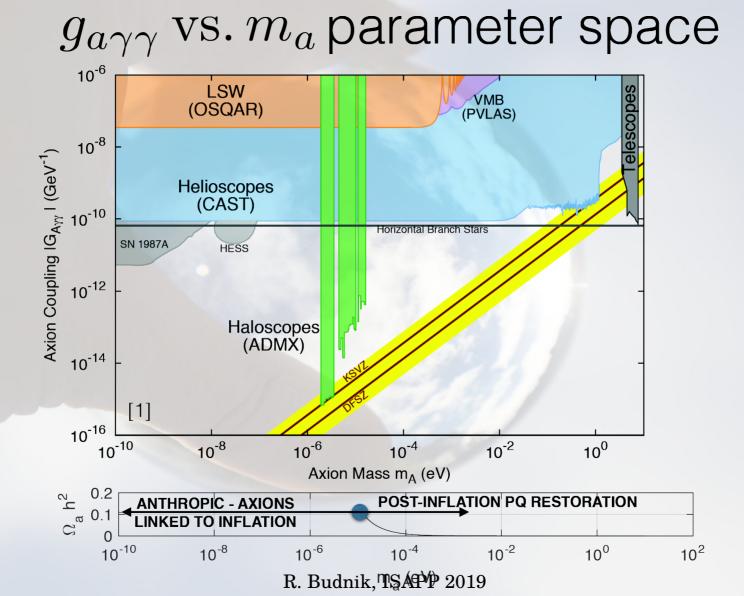
(Taken from Sikivie, Daw)

Axion dark matter is detectable

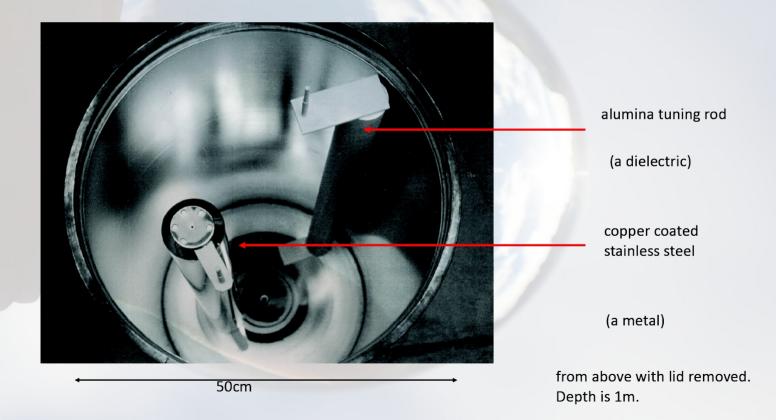


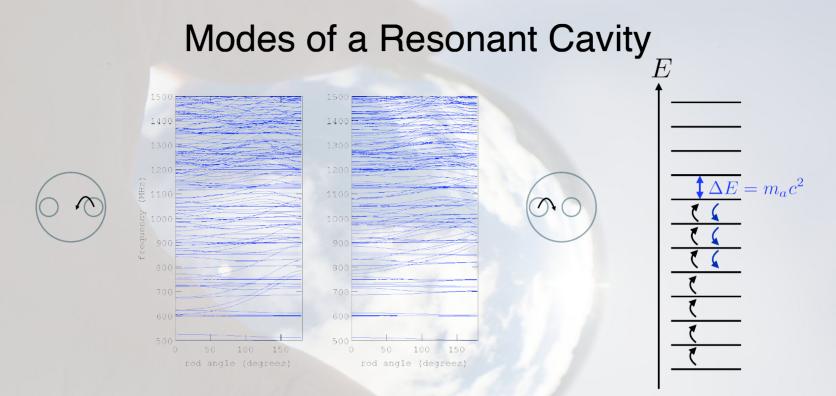
Sikivie '83





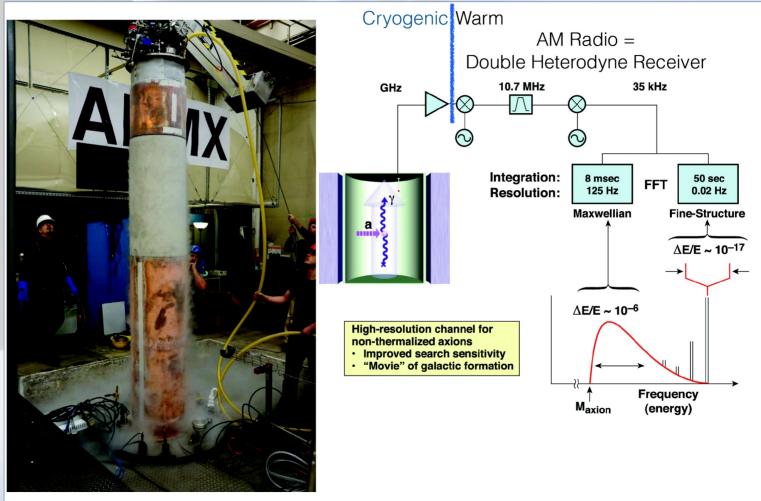
Resonant Cavity Detectors



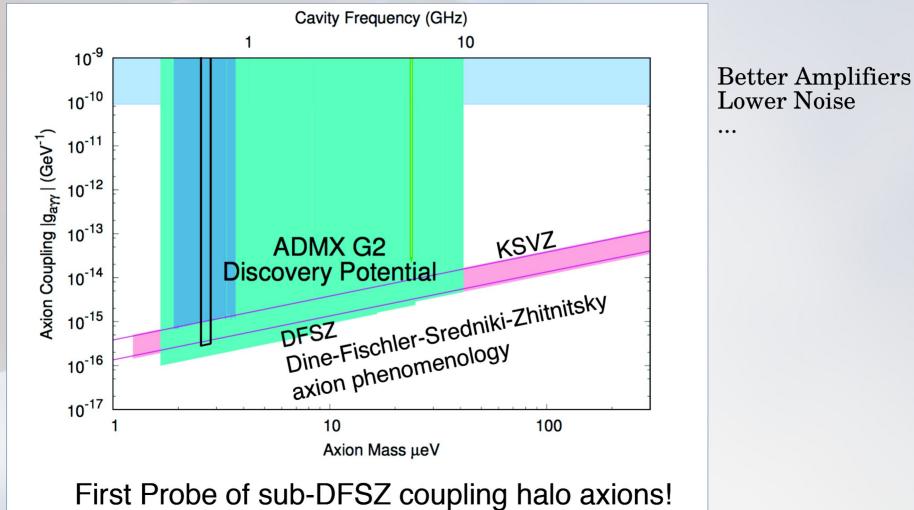


Incoming axions convert into quanta of excitation of TM modes of the cavity. Equilibrium between axionstimulated excitation of the mode and spontaneous de-excitation due to thermal relaxation. Equilibrium population controlled by axion conversion rate, cavity Q R. Budnik, ISAPP 2019

The ADMX experiment



ADMX G2 projected ensitivity



Quick Recap

- We went over concepts of DD for DM
- We have seen a pretty large list of projects, hopefully not confusing to a blurry level
- We even gave a few minutes to Axion Dark Matter Haloscopes
- Take home message:
 - Dark Matter is out there, but out where?