### Detecting Weakly Interacting Massive Particle (WIMP) Dark Matter





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### Make It!



### Colliders as DM Hunters

- WIMPs do not interact in LHC detectors.

- Signature is missing transverse energy in the detector.
- DM can be produced directly or in decays.



Steven Lowette, Rencontres de Blois 2017

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- Missing energy (dark matter) escaping the detectors
- Dark matter mediator searches in di-jet events



#### So far, no evidence of dark matter has been found!

### Break It!

Credit: NASA; A. Mellinger/Central Michigan University; T. Linden/University of Chicago



Credit: Sky & Telescope / Gregg Dinderman

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## Gamma Rays







- Photons detected via pair production in high Z converter material.
- Cosmic rays are tagged by anticoincident detector.
- Detects energies ~ 20 MeV to more than 300 GeV.

### Gamma Rays







- Flux decreases quickly with energy for gamma rays.
- To reach the highest energy gamma rays large area Cherenkov detectors are necessary.
- Pros: point back to source and spectral information.
- Cons: backgrounds & attenuation

## Neutrinos



- Detect neutrinos produced in dark matter annihilations in the sun, center of Earth or galactic center.
- Pros: point back to source and spectral information, more directly comparable to direct detection  $\sigma$ s.
- Cons: backgrounds & low stats

# Cosmic Rays

 Detect charged particles produced in dark matter annihilations and decays in the cosmos.





- Pros: spectral information and low background for antimatter searches.
- Cons: diffusion and do not point back to sources.

### Current Limits in a Nutshell

- Thermal annihilation cross-section benchmarks either rule out or are in tension with dark matter with masses below 10 - 100 GeV (depends on final state).
- Decay lifetimes below ~ 10<sup>27-28</sup>s ruled out for most final states and keV - EeV dark matter masses; for MeV-GeV dark matter decaying to e+e- lifetimes can be as short as 10<sup>24-25</sup>s.

Tracy Slatyer, Rencontres de Blois 2017

### Anomalies in a Nutshell

- The 3.5 keV Line:
  - First seen in XMM-Newton data at ~4 $\sigma$  level (*PRL 113, 251301*)
  - Simplest DM solution is 7 keV sterile neutrino, in tension with some observations.
  - Possible astrophysics backgrounds: atomic lines (K,Cl, Ar, ?), charge exchange with heavy nuclei and neutral gas. Future instruments (MacroX) may help resolve situation.
- The GeV excess @ Galactic Center:
  - First claimed in 2009 with Fermi data (arXiv:0910.2998)
  - Many studies suggesting ~10-100 GeV DM
  - Tension with non-detection in dwarf galaxies
  - Mounting evidence of large contribution from pulsars (arXiv:1706.01199, PRL 116, 051102, arXiv:1412.6099)

### More Anomalies in a Nutshell

#### - AMS Antiprotons

- Excess ~4.5σ possibly attributed to DM (*PRL 118, 191102; PRL 118, 191101*)
- Significant uncertainties: modeling of antiproton production cross section, cosmicray propagation, solar modulation.



#### - AMS Positrons



- Large excess of e<sup>+</sup> > 10 GeV inconsistent with expectations for secondary e<sup>+</sup> from proton collisions with interstellar medium.
- DM interpretation of signature for annihilation or decay in tension with other measurements.
- Potential for large pulsar contribution to signal. (arXiv:1702.08436)

## WIMP Interactions



#### direction of Cygnus

- Dark Matter exists in a halo around our galaxy.
- Our speed relative to the dark matter halo is ~220 km/s.
- If the dark matter is a WIMP, ~ 10 million would go through a hand each second.



### Shake It!



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#### Noble Liquid Time Projection Chambers



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### Solid State Devices



#### SuperCDMS Detector

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#### Edelweiss Detector

#### CRESST III Detector



#### Cosmic Rays:

Experiments are sited underground to reduce the number of cosmic ray particles that reach detectors.



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Gran Sasso, Italy

#### Underground Facilities



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LUX/LZ Muon Veto



DarkSide Neutron Veto



Edelweiss Active Muon & Passive Shield



XENON1T water shield & infrastructure

#### Natural Radioactivity:



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### Community Assays Database

#### **Use Clean Materials**

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• EXO (2008)	Copper tubing, Metallica SA	Th	< 2 ppt	U	< 1.5 ppt	30
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> XENON100 (2011)	Copper, Norddeutsche Affiinerie	Th-228	< 0.33 mBq/kg	U-238	< 11 mBq/kg	 22
▶ EXO (2008)	Copper gasket, Serto	Th	6.9() ppt	U	12.6() ppt	 ×
EXO (2008)	Copper wire, McMaster-Carr	Th	< 77 ppt	U	< 270 ppt	 ж

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In most cases, looking for materials at levels of < 1 ppb.

### Make what you can't find!

#### Cryogenic distillation column for purification of <sup>39</sup>Ar





### Make what you can't find!

Future experiments will require a massive effort to extract and distill <sup>39</sup>Ar — plans are underway.





### Current Landscape



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### Panda-X

#### New Experiment Hall at CJPL-II





### LZ

5.6 ton fiducial mass LXe TPC detector to be sited in the Davis Cavern at SURF, South Dakota.



Year	Month	Activity
2012	March	LZ (LUX-ZEPLIN) collaboration formed
2014	July	LZ Project selected in US and UK
2015	April	DOE CD-1/3a approval, similar in UK
		Conceptual Design Report arXiv: 1509.02910
2016	August	DOE CD-2/3b approval
2017	February	DOE CD-3c approval
		Technical Design Report arXiv: 1703.09144
2017	March	LUX removed from underground
2017	June	Begin preparations for surface assembly
2018	July	Begin underground installation
2020		Begin commissioning
2021		Begin data taking for WIMP search
2024+		5+ years of operations

### XENONnT

XENONnT proposal to LNGS submitted, work on site at LNGS to start in late 2018.



8 ton total LXe mass, 6 ton active (x3 compared to XENON1T)

# DARWIN



- International collaboration (previously a consortium) of 24 groups.
- 40 ton LXe TPC detector with a goal of being sensitive to the coherent neutrino background.
- Plan to begin after completion of XENONnT
- Active R&D supported by the ERC.

#### The Global Argon Dark Matter Collaboration

ArDM DarkSide DEAP MiniCLEAN

- A Single Global Program for Direct Dark Matter Searches
  - Currently taking data: ArDM, DarkSide-50, DEAP-3600
  - Next step: DarkSide-20k at LNGS (2021-)
  - Last Step: 300 tonnes detector, location t.b.d (2027-)
- Status:
  - DarkSide-20k approved by INFN and LNGS in April 2017 and by NSF in Oct 2017
  - Officially supported by LNGS, LSC, and SNOLAB
  - 30 tonnes (20 tonnes fiducial) of low-radioactivity underground argon
  - 14 m<sup>2</sup> of SiPM coverage

# SuperCDMS



SuperCDMS SNOLAB
 cryostat designed to hold 31
 towers.



Initial Payload:
1 Ge iZIP tower (6 Ge)
1 Ge/Si iZIP tower (4 Ge/ 2 Si)
2 HV towers (4 Ge/ 2 Si each)





HV detector

iZIP detector

## SuperCDMS R&D

- Seeing e-h quantization: proof of principle in Si detector
- Enables thresholds down to one e-h pair enabling future searches down to solar neutrino background!





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## Conclusions

- There is a very large world-wide, multi-pronged approach for experimentally trying to detect the constituents of dark matter that includes direct detection of DM-nucleon scattering, indirectly detecting products of annihilation or decay of DM and producing DM in a collider.
- Dark matter search experiments have been very successful in ruling out a number of favored candidates. No compelling evidence for the detection of DM currently exists. However, there are perhaps tantalizing "hints" from indirect detection searches and the DAMA/LIBRA anomaly is not yet fully explained.
- A diverse set of experiments and target materials are needed. All three approaches are complementary and are making fast headway in exploring new parameter space.
- Stay tuned! Current experiments are producing results at a fast pace and larger, more sensitive experiments are soon to come online.

#### Back-up Slides

### Simulated Spectra for HV Ge & Si detectors – showing future reach to solar neutrino floor enabled with e-h quantization



# CMS & Direct Detection

