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Nicht viel.

Fünf Prozent des Universums besteht aus "normaler", sichtbarer Materie, wie wir sie auch von der Erde kennen.

Doch darüber hinaus ist der Kosmos gespickt mit Rätseln: Was ist Dunkle Materie,

NOT MUCH.

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Dark Matter







Fritz Zwicky

Die Rotverschiebung von extragalaktischen Nebeln von F. Zwicky. (16. II. 33.)

Scheinbare Geschwind	igkeiten im Comahaufen.
v = 8500 km/se	k 6900 km/sek
7900	6700
7600	6600
7000	5100 (?)

Zwicky, F. (1933) Helvetica Physica Acta, Vol. 6, p. 110-127



 \rightarrow 400 x more dark matter!

Um, wie beobachtet, einen mittleren Dopplereffekt von 1000 km/sek oder mehr zu erhalten, müsste also die mittlere Dichte im Comasystem mindestens 400 mal grösser sein als die auf Grund von Beobachtungen an leuchtender Materie abgeleitete¹). Falls sich dies bewahrheiten sollte, würde sich also das überraschende Resultat ergeben, dass dunkle Materie in sehr viel grösserer Dichte vorhanden ist als leuchtende Materie.



ApJ, vol. 159, p.379, 02/1970

EXTENDED ROTATION CURVES OF HIGH-LUMINOSITY SPIRAL GALAXIES. IV. SYSTEMATIC DYNAMICAL PROPERTIES, $Sa \rightarrow Sc$

VERA C. RUBIN, *† W. KENT FORD, JR., * AND NORBERT THONNARD Department of Terrestrial Magnetism, Carnegie Institution of Washington Received 1978 June 7; accepted 1978 July 18

ApJ, 225:L107-L111, 1978 Nov. 1



Fto. 1.—Identification chart for emission regions in M31 for which velocities have been obtained. Palomar 48-inch Schmidt ultraviolet photograph, 103aO plate + UG 1 filter, courtesy of Dr. S. van den Bergh.

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The Bullet Cluster: "A Direct Empirical Proof of the Existence of Dark Matter"



Clowe D. et al. The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 648, Issue 2, pp. L109-L113. 09/2006

Red: x-ray ← gas ← matter Blue: grav. lensing ← mass

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Planck 2015 results XIII. Cosmological parameters A&A 594, A13 (2016)



Fig. 1. Planck 2015 temperature power spectrum. At multipoles $\ell \ge 30$ we show the maximum likelihood frequency-averaged temperature spectrum computed from the PL1k cross-half-mission likelihood, with foreground and other nuisance parameters determined from the MCMC analysis of the base ACDM cosmology. In the multipole range $2 \le \ell \le 29$, we plot the power spectrum estimates from the Commander component-separation algorithm, computed over 94 % of the sky. The best-fit base ACDM theoretical spectrum fitted to the Planck TT+lowP likelihood is plotted in the upper panel. Residuals with respect to this model are shown in the lower panel. The error bars show $\pm l \sigma$ uncertainties.

Parameter	[1] Planck TT+lowP
$\overline{\Omega_b h^2}$	0.02222 ± 0.00023
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.1197 ± 0.0022
100θ _{MC}	1.04085 ± 0.00047
τ	0.078 ± 0.019
$\ln(10^{10}A_s)$	3.089 ± 0.036
<i>n</i> _s	0.9655 ± 0.0062
$\tilde{H_0}$	67.31 ± 0.96
Ω _m	0.315 ± 0.013
σ ₈	0.829 ± 0.014
$10^9 A_s e^{-2\tau}$	1.880 ± 0.014





Temperature map of the

(CMB)

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Cosmic Microwave Background

Dark Matter - what could it be?

Modified gravity?

- MOND works well for galaxy rotation curves, not so well on larger scales
- Community motivated by many topics other than DM
- Many theories under tension from GW170817



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...an undiscovered elementary particle?

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Axion



- (almost) massless Goldstone Bosons of a new spontaneously broken symmetry
- Axion DM: coherent oscillations of axion field
 - → Coherent detection methods

Light shining through walls (e.g. ALPS II):





Haloscopes (e.g. MADMAX):



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		Production by freeze-out
Axion	Weakly Interacting Massive Particle	0.001
WIMP	"WIMP miracle":	10^{-6} 10^{-6} 10^{-7} Increasing $\langle \sigma_A v \rangle$
	New weak-scale particles with (sub-)weak interactions (like LSP)	uper 10-10 m per 1
	are thermally produced in the early universe at the right relic density!	N 10 ⁻¹² 80 10 ⁻¹³ 10 ⁻¹⁴ 10 ⁻¹⁴
	→ Motivation coupled to SuSy	10 ⁻¹⁶ N _{EQ}
	"Lee-Weinberg bound" m _{DM} > 2-10 GeV (else overproduced)	10^{-20} 1 10 10 100 1000 x=m/T (time →)



Baryon asymmetry in the early universe





Baryon asymmetry in the early universe Similar mechanism on the dark side

→ changes production mechanism expected to be lighter than WIMP

Axion

WIMP

Asymmetric DM **SIMP**

Strongly Interacting Massive Particle

Self-interacting dark matter: depleted by $3 \rightarrow 2$ annihilations

Can interact "stronger than weak"

Can be much lighter than WIMP (sub-GeV)



Feebly Interacting Massive Particle

Axion

WIMP

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Asymmetric DM SIMP **FIMP** Production by "freeze-in"



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Dark Matter Particles - so what?



"triad" of detection possibilities



Depending on the high-energy theory, each of these can be suppressed relative to the others.

Direct Detection - History

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LIMITS ON COLD DARK MATTER CANDIDATES FROM AN ULTRALOW BACKGROUND GERMANIUM SPECTROMETER

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First dark matter exclusion plot using a Germanium detector

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Direct Detection - Signal Rate



minimum velocity to deposit recoil energy E_R

nuclear-, particle- and astrophysics!

Astrophysical input



Local dark matter density

Global methods: Fit a model of Milky Way + DM halo to astronomical observations

(0.2-0.6) GeV/cm³

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Infer density from stellar velocity distributions in the solar neighborhood

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Near future: ESA's Gaia Astrometry mission will provide significant improvement



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Some Simple Assumptions

Astrophysics: "Standard Halo Model"





Maxwellian velocity distribution

Nuclear/particle physics: "Spin-Independent interaction" (inspired by SuSy neutralino)

 DM interacts predominantly with nuclei

 DM couples to total nucleon content of the target ~A²

 Nuclear response function becomes the Fourier Transform of the nucleon density



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How to observe that?

Possible excitations in matter:

Phonons/Heat

largest signal (but hardest to detect) nearly full primary energy

Charge (e.g. in semiconductors) ~20% of primary energy in e-h pairs Particle dependent!

Light (in scintillators) ~few % of primary energy in photons Particle dependent!





PICO

• (Super)CDMS

• CDEX

(Ge)

+ (+ 00, 10)

(Ge,Si) • EDELWEISS

(Ge)

 $(C_{3}F_{8}, CF_{3}I)$

superheated liquids

• NEWS-G

CoGeNT

(Ge)

• DAMIC

(Si)

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(noble gas)

The "playing field"





The "playing field"



Cryogenic detectors

Dual-phase liquid noble gas TPCs

The "playing field"





Detector performance (energy threshold)



Exposure (Target mass + radiopurity)

Liquid Xenon Time Projection Chambers





- S2/S1 different for nuclear recoils and electrons recoils
- XY from top PMT array (few mm)
- Z from timing difference (fraction of mm)

Liquid Xenon Time Projection Chambers



Pros:

- Fiducialization (self-shielding via event location)
- Scalable to large target masses
 - long attenuation length
 - long charge drift length
- Constant purification

Cons:

- "Rather high" energy thresholds (few keV for nuclear recoils)
- Calibration

- energy scale for nuclear recoils derived from S1 using an independently measured scintillation efficiency


The "playing field"





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The CRESST collaboration

Cryogenic Rare Event Search with Superconducting Thermometers







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CRESST @ Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso (LNGS)





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The experimental setup





The experimental setup



cryostat

³He-⁴He dilution refrigerator

- lowest indefinitely sustainable temperatures (<10mK)
- no moving parts at the cold end

The experimental setup



cryostat

outer polyethylene (n moderator)



lead shielding (high Z)

clean inner copper

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Cryostat The experimental setup





Cryogenic Calorimeters



Cryogenic Calorimeters



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Scintillating Cryogenic Calorimeters



• **Particle identification** given by the measurement of the scintillation light (Light yield).

Event Discrimination



CRESST Modules: scintillating cryogenic calorimeters

Crystals operated as cryogenic calorimeters (~15mK)

Target crystal (phonon signal): Scintillating CaWO₄, 2x2x1 cm³

Light detector:

Silicon on Sapphire (SOS) detects scintillation light signal

Tungsten **Transition Edge Sensors** (TES) detect temperature fluctuations





Most sensitive module (Lise): CR Detector mass: 300g CaWO₄ Phonon detector threshold: 307eV Background level: ~8.5 cts/ (keV kg d) Exposure: 52 kg d



CRESST-II results (2015)

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Layout optimized for low-mass dark matter

Radical reduction of dimension (300g \rightarrow 24g)

Threshold design goal **100 eV**





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First Run of CRESST-III





- Gamma calibration (350h)
- Neutron calibration (840h)

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x10

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Detector thresholds



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Detector thresholds



Threshold set as a function of accepted noise trigger rate

5 detectors reach/exceed the CRESST-III design goal

Mancuso, M. et al. (CRESST collaboration) J Low Temp Phys (2018). https://doi.org/10.1007/s10909-018-1948-6

First Data Analysis: Detector A



Detector A - 100 eV events

Raw signals: no filtering, fitting etc.



100eV pulses are no challenge for amplitude determination

Detector A – 100eV threshold analysis Neutron calibration data



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Dark Matter data



Unblinded: Det. A E>100eV

Still blinded: Det. A <100eV Other detectors

Dark Matter data - Energy spectrum



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Detector A – 100eV threshold analysis Dark Matter data – Energy spectrum



Acceptance region fixed before unblinding

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Dark Matter data - Accepted Events



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Statistical analysis - Yellin method

"Finding an Upper Limit in the Presence of Unknown Background"

- Conservative approach: all events are considered DM candidates
- Maximum Gap: Search for largest gap without events (N = 0)
- Find largest signal normalization statistically compatible with observed largest gap (at 90% C.L.)

 \rightarrow no background model needed

 \rightarrow still makes use of known spectral shape of signal









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First CRESST-III Run: Analysis ongoing

- **3** times lower optimum threshold for detector A
- **3** other detectors with thresholds << 100eV
- 3 times more statistics \rightarrow deeper understanding of backgrounds

Second CRESST-III run 07/2018: starting now

Key innovation

Dedicated hardware changes to understand backgrounds:

- Target materials
- Supporting structures
- Surrounding material


CRESST-III: waiting for signals from the dark universe

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Status

- The cryostat is cold
- First pulses measured
- Commissioning phase



How small can we go: gram-scale detector

 Al_2O_3 0.49g 5x5x5mm³



Trigger Efficiency



Measured above ground



How small can we go: gram-scale detector

Al₂O₃ 0.49g 5x5x5mm³







Measuring time 5.3h, no data quality cuts



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