



DATA ANALYSIS IN CRESST

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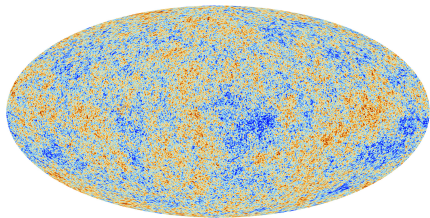
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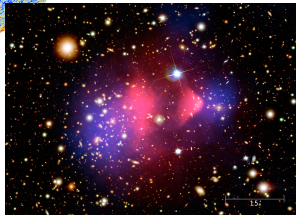
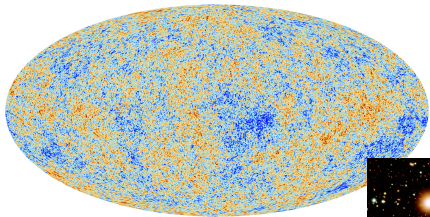
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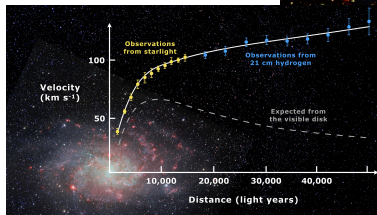
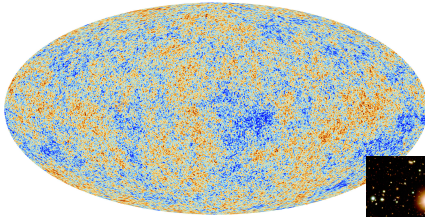


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WIMPs

Weakly Interacting Massive Particles

- ▶ Interactions with SM particles only on the weak scale or below
- ▶ Stable on cosmological time scale
- ▶ Lee-Weinberg-bound excludes WIMP masses below $\sim 2\text{-}3 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- ▶ Sub-GeV masses: light dark matter
- ▶ **A**symmetric **D**ark **M**atter models are not bound to the Lee-Weinberg limit

Dark Matter Halo Model



- ▶ Spherical halo of DM around center of Milky Way
- ▶ DM particles thermalized \rightarrow Maxwellian velocity distribution
- ▶ Local DM density: $\rho_{\text{DM}} = 0.3 \text{ GeV}/\text{cm}^3$
- ▶ Rotation of Milky Way \rightarrow WIMP Wind

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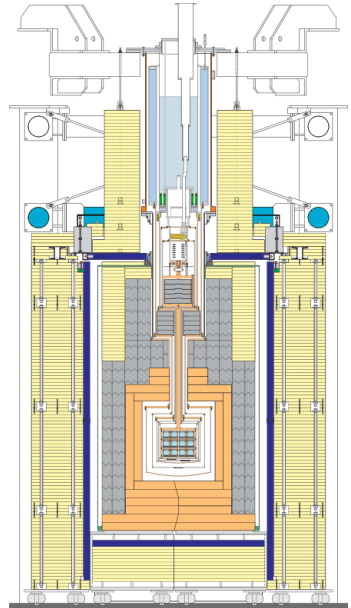


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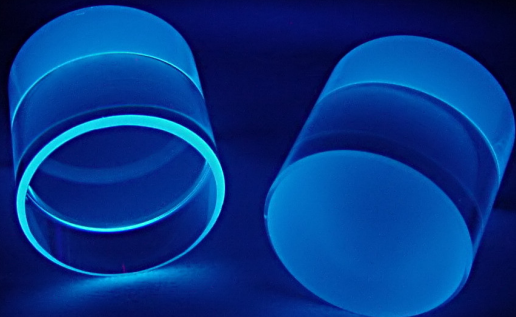
CRESST Setup

Shielding:

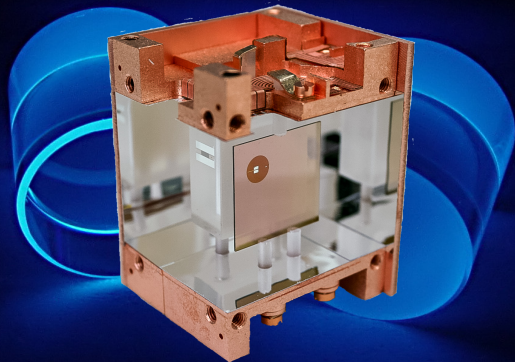
- ▶ polyethylene
- ▶ muon veto system
- ▶ lead
- ▶ copper
- ▶ polyethylene



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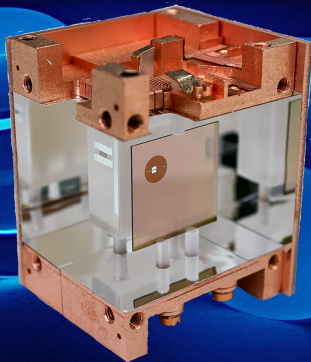
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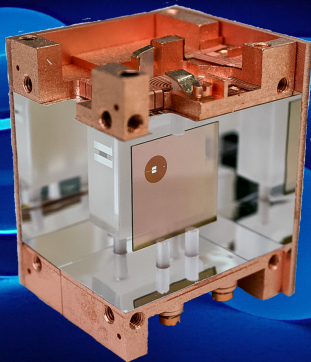
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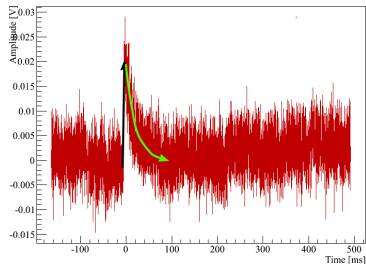
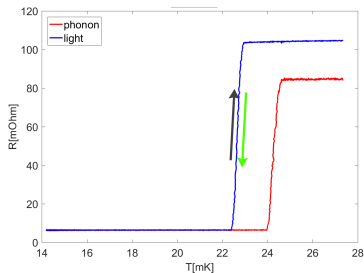


Particle discrimination:

- ▶ Light detector
- ▶ Light Yield characteristic of type of recoil

Signal

- ▶ Nuclear Recoil heats up crystal $\mathcal{O}(\text{mK})$
- ▶ Change of resistance in bias current \rightarrow SQUID readout

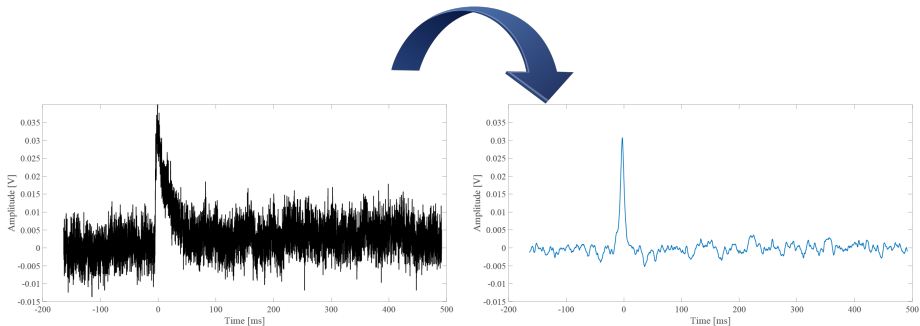


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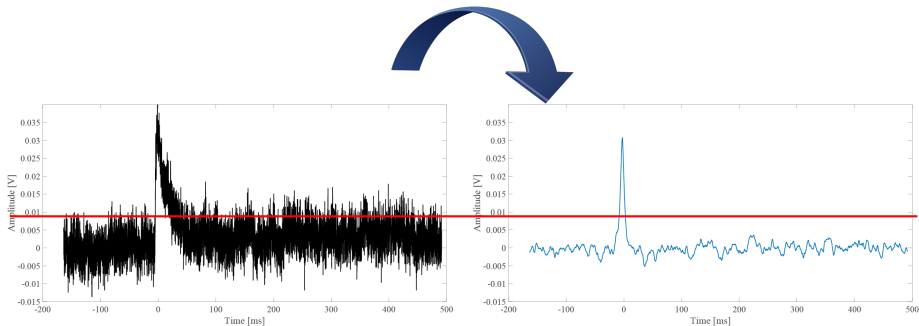
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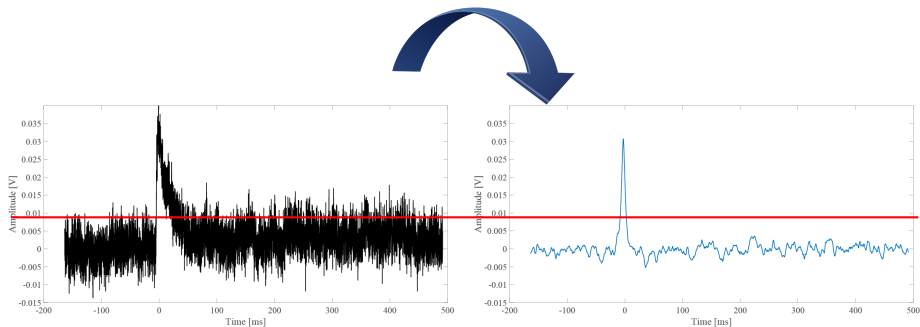
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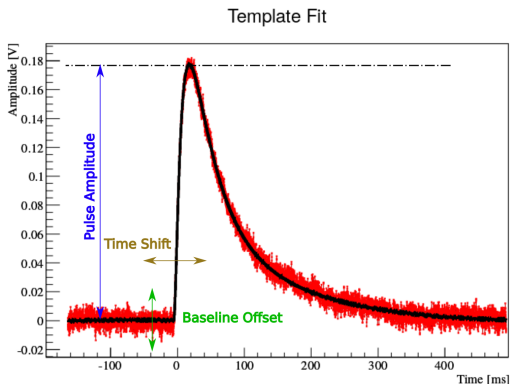
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- ▶ Save Events above threshold



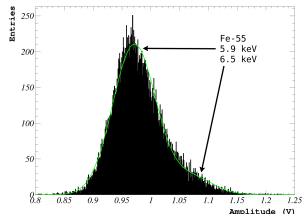
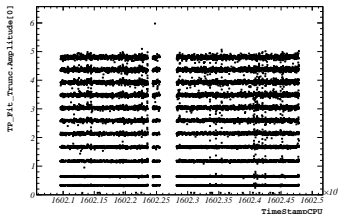
Template Fits

- ▶ Clean triggered events from artifacts (pile-ups, electronic disturbances, etc.)
- ▶ Fit model to cleaned List
- ▶ Spectrum of Amplitudes (V)



Energy Calibration

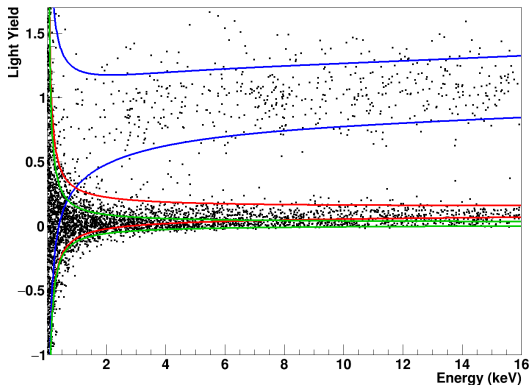
- ▶ Calibration source with known energy
- ▶ Regular heater pulses injected → time dependence of detector response
- ▶ Correct reconstructed Amplitudes by detector response
- ▶ Convert spectrum of amplitudes from volt to energy



Neutron Calibration

Light Yield: $LY = E_L/E_{Ph}$

Band Fits QF



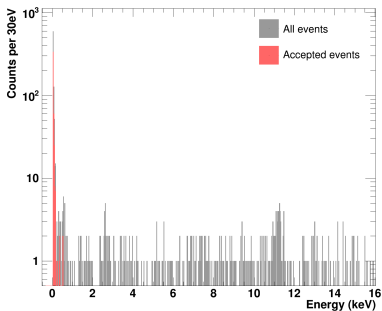
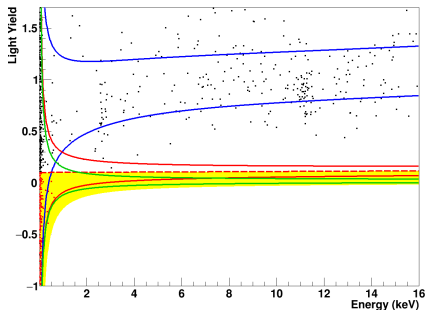
e/γ events

oxygen nuclear recoils

Tungsten nuclear recoils

Light Yield Plot + ROI

Region of Interest: From mean of oxygen band down to 99.5% lower boundary of Tungsten band



Expected Recoil Spectrum

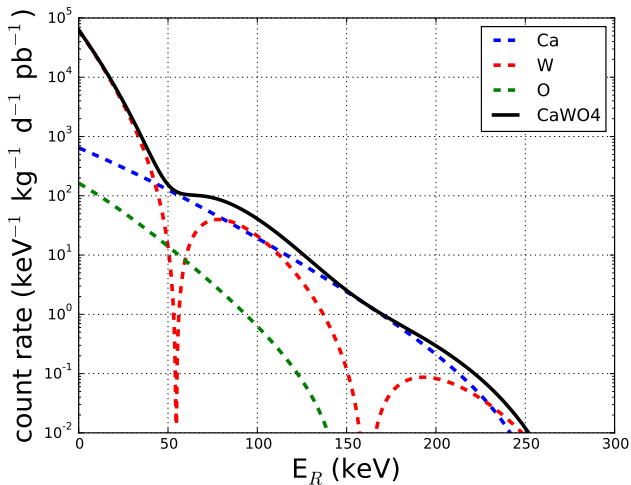
Recoil Rate

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{\rho_\chi}{2m_\chi\mu_N^2} \cdot \sigma_{WN} \cdot A^2 \cdot F^2(E_R) \cdot \int_{v_{min}(E_R)}^{v_{esc}} d^3v \frac{f(\vec{v})}{v}$$

- ▶ $v_{min} = \sqrt{\frac{E_R m_N}{2\mu_N^2}}$
- ▶ Dark Matter Mass and interaction Cross section
- ▶ Dark Matter Halo Model

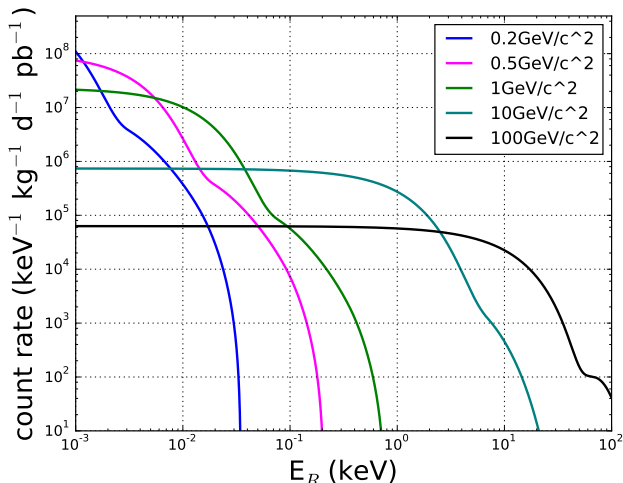
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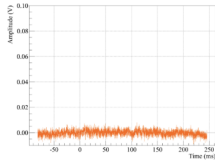


Expected Recoil Spectrum

$$m_\chi = 0.2 - 100 \text{ GeV}$$

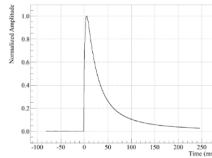


Efficiency



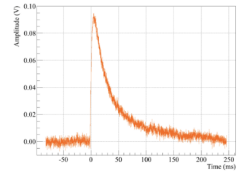
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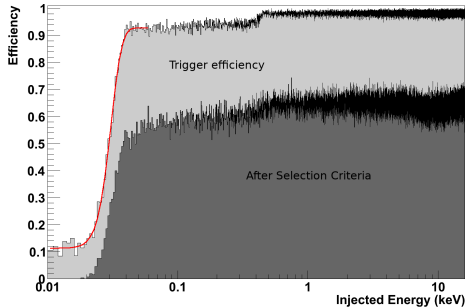


Averaged pulse

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Simulated pulse



Limit Calculation

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Yellin method:

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Yellin method:

- + More conservative
- + No information about background needed
- Hard to include information about background
- Only limit calculation

Likelihood based method

For each dark matter mass:

Likelihood ratio

$$\lambda(\sigma_\chi) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\sigma_\chi = \text{fixed}, \hat{\hat{\Theta}})}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\sigma}_\chi, \hat{\Theta})}$$

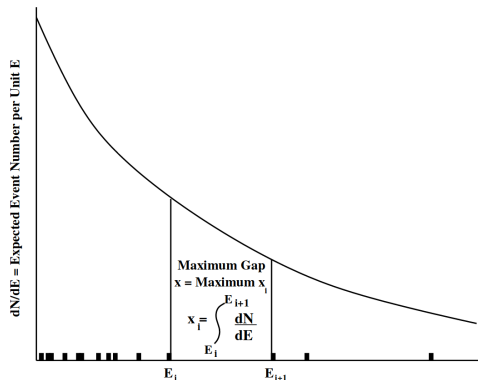
Test statistic

$$q_{\sigma_\chi} = \begin{cases} -2 \cdot \ln(\lambda(\sigma_\chi)) & , \hat{\sigma}_\chi > 0 \\ 0 & , \hat{\sigma}_\chi < 0 \end{cases}$$

Find fixed cross section σ_χ such that the significance of the test statistic excludes the observed data to the desired confidence level

Yellin maximum gap method

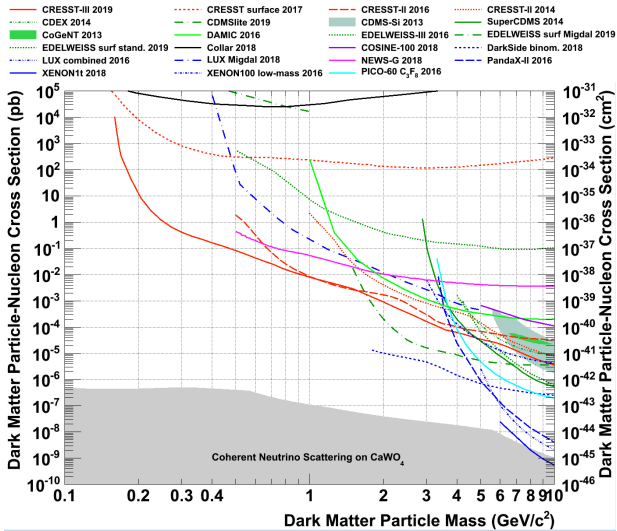
$$x_i(\sigma, m_\chi) \equiv \int_{E_i}^{E_{i+1}} \frac{d\Gamma(\sigma, m_\chi)}{dE} dE$$



S. Yellin, "Finding an upper limit in the presence of an unknown background"

- ▶ Simulate spectra for different masses
- ▶ Use maximum gap between two events to determine limits on cross-section
- ▶ For each mass calculate cross-section which excludes observed data with certain confidence level
- ▶ Extend to Yellin optimum interval method

Dark Matter Limits



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