CLEAN Detection of Dark Matter & Low-Energy Neutrinos





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Dark Matter in the Coming Decade – Complementary Paths to Discovery arXiv:1305.1605





Conclusions

° We likely need to get to very large (> 10 tonne) target masses whilst maintaining ever smaller levels of radioactive background (<0.1 events/tonne/year) to discover WIMP dark matter.

° Intrinsic neutrino backgrounds limit how far existing technologies can go (eg. elastic scattering of pp-solar neutrinos limit LXe to $\sim 10^{-47}$ cm²). Pulse-shape discrimination in LAr avoids this problem.

° Target exchange from LAr to LNe *in the same detector* might prove vital in verifying a WIMP discovery.

° LNe might be the only viable means to provide a precision measurement of the *pp*-solar neutrino flux and thus θ_{12} .

° A massive, single-phase detector capable of target exchange between LAr and LNe could achieve all of the above.





Experimental Measurements of PSD in LAr

microCLEAN

DEAP-1







Extrapolating ³⁹Ar Leakage is Challenging

With a likelihood of particle type based on photon arrival times, we can do much better than simple " F_{prompt} ".





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Three Noble Liquids

Parameter	LNe	LAr	LXe
Light Yield	25 photons/keV	40 photons/keV	42 photons/keV
Prompt Time Constant	2.2 ns	6 ns	2.2 ns
Late Time Constant	16 µs	1.6 µs	21 ns
Peak Wavelength	77 nm	128 nm	174 nm
Rayleigh Scattering Length	60 cm	90 cm	30 cm
Density (g/cm ³)	1.20	1.40	2.95
Boiling Point (K)	27.1	87.3	165.1
Electron Drift Velocity at 1kV/cm	2 cm/s	2 x 10 ⁵ cm/s	2 x 10 ⁵ cm/s

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Dual-Phase



DarkSide

ZEPLIN XENON LUX



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Charge & Scintillation Yield in LAr









MiniCLEAN – Photon Budget

Parameter	Value	Light Yield p.e. / <u>keVee</u>	Note
Scintillation Yield (photons/keVee)	46.2±5.2		
PMT Efficiency	19±2 %	8.8±1.3	R5912-02MOD
TPB Coverage	93.4	8.2±1.2	Viewing 500 kg Target
TPB Re-Emission Efficiency	1.2±0.1	9.8±1.5	128 nm
Absorption in TPB	2 to 19 %	7.9 to 9.8	
Absorption in Acrylic	11.3 %	7.0 to 8.7	Attenuation Length is ~1 m at 400 nm
Absorption in Light Guide	12.3 %	6.1 to 7.6	Reflectivity is 98% at 420 nm
Resulting Light Yield		6.1 to 7.6	

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Absorption in Light Guide	12.3 %	6.1	< 2 %	12.7



MiniCLEAN Modular Design

• 4π coverage to maximize light-yield at threshold ...

- 3D Position Reconstruction
- Particle-ID via Pulse-shape discrimination
- Radon-reduced assembly ...
- "Cold" design allows both LAr & LNe ...
- No electric fields ... PMTs only active component ...
- Fast signals ($\tau_3 = 1.6 \mu s$) avoid pulse-pileup in LAr ...





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Model for a 45 tonne CLEAN Detector





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Hamamatsu R5912-02MOD



Raw Yield	499,000 yr⁻¹	1100 PMTs
Reconstructed	386,997 yr⁻¹	
Energy ROI	10,424 yr ⁻¹	12.5 – 25 keV _{ee}
Fiducial Volume	421 yr ⁻¹	d _{wall} > 55 cm M = 15,000 kg LAr
F _{prompt} + Timing	5.9 yr ⁻¹	
Active Veto	0.53 yr ⁻¹	Irreducible BGND

³⁹Ar Spike & Target Exchange in CLEAN



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