# Dark matter

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### Outline

- 1) Motivation for dark matter
- 2) DM production: Weakly-Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs)
- 3) DM (WIMP) detection
  - Indirect searches
  - direct searches
    - Searches in SuperCDMS)
    - o reconstruction of DM parameters
  - collider searches

#### Dark Matter is a necessary (and abundant) ingredient in the Universe

#### Galaxies

- Rotation curves of spiral galaxies
- Gas temperature in elliptical galaxies



# It is also one of the clearest hints to look for Physics Beyond the SM

#### Clusters of galaxies

- Peculiar velocities and gas temperature
- Weak lensing
- Dynamics of cluster collision

#### Cosmological scales

Through the study of the anisotropies in the Cosmic Microwave Background the fundamental components of the Universe can be determined

$$\Omega_{CDM} \ h^2 = 0.1196 \ \pm \ 0.003$$



Planck 2013

#### Rotation curves of spiral galaxies become flat for large distances



Galaxies contain vast amounts of non-luminous matter

 $M \gg M_*$ 

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From the luminous matter of the disc one would expect a decrease in the velocity that is not observed

$$rac{v_{
m rot}^2}{r} = rac{G \ M(r)}{r^2} 
ightarrow {
m v}_{
m rot} = \sqrt{rac{G \ M(r)}{r}}$$

$$M(r) = cte 
ightarrow v_{
m rot} \propto rac{1}{\sqrt{r}}$$

Is there more matter than the one we can see?

#### Non-luminous (DARK MATTER)

Measurements of the gas temperature in elliptical galaxies provide further support for the Dark Matter hypothesis

Galaxies contain vast amounts of non-luminous matter

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#### Rotation curves have also been measured for a large number of spiral galaxies



Figure 2 Rotation curves of 25 galaxies of various morphological types from Bosma (1978).

The main questions concerning dark matter are whether it is really present in the first place and, if so, <u>how much</u> is there, <u>where</u> is it and <u>what</u> does it consist of.

<u>How much</u>. In general one wants to know the amount of dark matter relative to luminous matter. For cosmology the main issue is whether there is enough dark matter to close the universe. Is the density parameter  $\Omega$  equal to 1?

<u>Where</u>. The problem of the distribution of dark matter with respect to luminous matter is fundamental for understanding its origin and composition. Is it associated with individual galaxies or is it spread out in intergalactic and intracluster space? If associated with galaxies how is it distributed with respect to the stars?

What. What is the nature of dark matter? Is it baryonic or nonbaryonic or is it both?

#### van Albada, Sancisi '87

Observations of the Milky way are also consistent with the existence of DM at our position in the Galaxy

400 V<sub>cir</sub> estimates based on contracted NFW Simulation I bulge circular velocity (km s<sup>-1</sup>)  $M_{ut} = 1.0 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$ disk The rotation curve is known up to large =275 kpc bulge+disk+contracted NFW 300 c=6.6 B = 0distances 0.37 200 Observations show that there is need for dark matter in the solar neighbourhood 100 Bovy, Tremaine 2012 0 40 20 0 60 Uncertainties in the parameters defining r (kpc) the halo: Xue et al. 2008 local DM density •  $\rho_{DM}(R_0) = 0.43(0.11)(0.10) \,\text{GeV/cm}^3$ Nesti, Salucci 2012  $\rho_{DM}(R_0) = 0.385 \pm 0.027 \, \text{GeV cm}^{-3}$ Catena, Ullio 2010

$$ho_{DM}(R_0) = 0.32 \pm 0.07 ~{
m GeV/cm^3}$$
 Strigari, Trotta 2009

$$\rho_{DM}(R_0) = 0.40 \pm 0.04 \,\mathrm{GeV \, cm^{-3}}$$

$$\rho_{DM}(R_0) = 1.3 \pm 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$$

De Boer, Webber 2011

McMilan 2011

(possible enhancement due to ring-like structures)

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- DM density profile (DM density at the galactic centre)

crucial for indirect detection!



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- velocity distribution function

Central and escape velocities Deviations from Maxwellian distribution



Vogelsberger et al. 2008

#### Galaxy clusters also contain large amounts of non-luminous matter



Weak lensing techniques also allow to "weigh" galaxy clusters by measuring the distortion (shear) of distant galaxies behind the cluster.

Peculiar motions of galaxies in the Coma cluster show that the total mass is much larger than the luminous one

Zwicky 1933, '37



Gavazzi et al 2009 Kubo et al. 2007<sub>11</sub>

#### The bullet cluster (a.k.a. merging galaxy cluster 1E0657-56)



Hot gas (luminous matter) observed by Chandra

Clowe, González, Markevitch 2003 Clowe et al. 2006 Bradac et al. 2006

The observed displacement between the bulk of the baryons and the gravitational potential favours the dark matter hypothesis versus modifications of gravity.

Numerical simulations reproduce the filamentary structure of the Universe at large scale

It provides the gravitational "seeds" for the formation of galaxies



#### ... and in fact dark matter filaments might have been recently observed

Using weaklensing techniques

Dark matter filament between two galaxy clusters



Dietrich et al. 2012

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#### Dark Baryons and MACHOs

 Part of the budget of dark matter is baryonic, in the form of faint objects which escape astronomical observation

- Hydrogen (frozen, cold gas)
- Low mass stars/Jupiters
- Remnants of massive stars (white dwarfs, neutron stars, black holes)

MACHOS

In almost every case there are theoretical or observational problems

- Microlensing experiments (Alcock et al. MACHO coll. '01; Alfonso et al. EROS coll. '04)
- Effects on the halo and disk distributions

• Acretion on black holes implies emmission of X-rays which cannot exceed the Xray background. Also metals produced in stars prior to the formation of Black Holes cannot exceed the observed metallicity of the galactic disk.

(Hegyi, Olive '96)

#### Non-relativistic at the epoch of structure formation (a.k.a. cold)?

of subhaloes.

Relativistic (hot) dark matter (with a large free-streaming length) damp the power spectrum of density fluctuations at large scales (for neutrinos this corresponds to the scale of superclusters)

Hot dark matter predicts a top-down hierarchy in structure formation (small structures forming by fragmentation of larger ones). Observation shows that galaxies are older than superclusters.

N-body simulations usually predict many more satellites of galaxies than are observed...

Solutions include strongly interacting DM or warm dark matter with masses around 1 keV.

Or maybe subhaloes do not contain enough visible matter



Numerical simulations with warm dark matter show the reduction in the number

Structure of a DM distribution in a simulated halo comparable to the Milky Way. Left) Halo formed assuming that DM is made of cold, massive particles. Right) The same halo simulated from same initial cosmological parameters and resolution, but assuming that DM is made of warm, light particles with rest mass = 3 keV

#### The Standard Model does not contain any viable candidate for dark matter



Neutrinos constitute a tiny part of (Hot) dark matter

$$\Omega_{\nu}h^2 = \frac{\sum_i m_{\nu_i}}{91.5 \text{eV}} \lesssim 0.003$$

Hot dark matter not consistent with observations on structure formation.

#### Dark Matter is one of the clearest hints of Physics Beyond the SM

#### We don't know yet what DM is... but we do know many of its properties

Good candidates for Dark Matter have to fulfil the following conditions

- Neutral
- Stable on cosmological scales
- Reproduce the correct relic abundance
- Not excluded by current searches
- No conflicts with BBN or stellar evolution

Many candidates in Particle Physics

- Axions
- Weakly Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs)
- SuperWIMPs and Decaying DM
- WIMPzillas
- Asymmetric DM
- SIMPs, CHAMPs, SIDMs, ETCs...



... they have very different properties

WIMPs can be thermally produced in the early universe in just the right amount

# The freeze-out temperature (and hence the relic abundance) depends on the DM annihilation cross-section



$$\Omega_{\chi} h^2 \simeq const. \cdot \frac{T_0^3}{M_{\rm Pl}^3 \langle \sigma_A v \rangle} \simeq \frac{0.1 \ {\rm pb} \cdot c}{\langle \sigma_A v \rangle}$$

$$T_o \approx 10^{-13} \,\text{GeV}$$
  
 $H_{100} = 100 \,\text{km sec}^{-1} \,\text{Mpc} \approx 10^{-42} \,\text{GeV}$   
 $M_{Planck} = 1/G_N^{1/2} = 10^{19} \,\text{GeV}$ 

A generic (electro)Weakly-Interacting Massive Particle can reproduce the observed relic density. However....

• Not applicable to non-thermal candidates (for which the relic abundance is calculated differently, such as decays of heavier particles) (e.g., gravitinos and axinos)

Non-standard Cosmology, e.g.,

The presence of scalar fields in the Early Universes may induce a period of a much higher expansion rate. WIMPs decouple earlier and have a much larger relic abundance (by several orders of magnitude).

(Catena, Fornengo, Masiero, Pietroni, Rosati, '04)

Changes in the cosmology also affect the calculation of relic abundance for non-thermal dark matter. E.g., quintessence-motivated kination models.

(Gómez, Lola, Pallis, Rodríguez-Quintero '08)

Late entropy production which dilutes the DM density

See, e.g., (Giudice, Kolb, Riotto '01)

E.g., decay of heavy sterile neutrinos

(Abazajian,Koushiappas '06) (Asaka, Shaposnikov, Kusenko '06)

#### Minimal SUSY extension

Squarks	$ ilde{u}_{R,L}$ , $ ilde{d}_{R,L}$
	$ ilde{c}_{R,L}$ , $ ilde{s}_{R,L}$
	${ ilde t}_{R,L}$ , ${ ilde b}_{R,L}$
Sleptons	$ ilde{e}_{R,L}$ , $ ilde{ u}_e$
	${ ilde \mu}_{R,L}$ , ${ ilde  u}_\mu$
	$ ilde{ au}_{R,L}$ , $ ilde{ u}_{ au}$
Neutralinos	$ ilde{B}^{0},  ilde{W}^{0},  ilde{H}^{0}_{1,2}$
Charginos	$ ilde{W}^{\pm}$ , $ ilde{H}^{\pm}_{1,2}$
Gluino	Ĩ

#### Sneutrino

They annihilate very quickly and the regions where the correct relic density is obtained are already experimentally excluded Ibáñez '84 Hagelin, Kane, Rabi '84

Neutralino

Good annihilation cross section. it is a WIMP

Goldberg '83 Ellis, Hagelin, Nanopoulos, Olive, Srednicki '83 Krauss '83

Gravitino (Superpartner of the graviton) Axino (Superpartner of the axion)

Extra-weakly interacting massive particles

#### Dark matter can be searched for in different ways



#### probing different aspects of the DM interactions with ordinary matter

Accelerator (DM production) LHC (ILC) Searches

#### Direct Detection (DM-nuclei scattering) DAMA/LIBRA CDMS, SuperCDMS XENON KIMS COUPP PICASSO ZEPLIN CoGeNT CRESST SIMPLE ZEPLIN ANAIS XMASS

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> Indirect Detection (DM annihilation)

PAMELA	ANTARES
Fermi	IceCube
MAGIC	CTA
AMS	

Many DM models can be probed by the different experimental techniques

Constraints in one sector might affect observations in the other two.

"Redundant" detection can be used to extract DM properties

> COMPLEMENTARITY of DM searches

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## Indirect detection

## Indirect detection, signals or backgrounds?

Observe the products of Dark Matter annihilation (or decay!)



Subject to large uncertainties and very dependent on the halo parameters

#### The antimatter puzzle...

PAMELA satellite revealed an excess in the positron fraction but no excess in the antiproton signal.



Is this an evidence of DM annihilation?

Even Decaying DM could account for it

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Energy (GeV)

The interpretation in terms of DM is very complicated

#### Too small signals in canonical models (WIMP)

- boost factors (inhomogeneities? IMBH?)
- play with propagation parameters
- non-thermal DM
- decaying dark matter

#### Why are there no antiprotons?

- Majorana fermions disfavoured (neutralino)
- Leptophilic dark matter

#### No evidence for associated gamma ray excess

decaying dark matter

Astrophysical explanation in terms of pulsars is plausible. See e.g., Delahaye et al. 2010

#### The antimatter puzzle...

New AMS results up to 500 GeV shows a "plateau" (or is it starting to decrease??)



#### Fermi data on total flux of positrons and electrons came as a further constraint



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#### Antiproton searches show no hint for DM



The antiproton data is good enough to constrain very light WIMPs

Bottino, Donato, Fornengo, Salati 2005 Salati, Donato, Fornengo 2010

The predicted flux for a very light WIMP annihilating into quarks may exceed observations

Lavalle 2010

Light WIMPs annihilating in scalar particles?

DGC, Delahaye, Lavalle 2012

See also latest results by BESS-II

BESS-II '11

... also a potentially promising future in antideuteron searches...

Donato et al. 2008 Salati, Donato, Fornengo 2010

#### Gamma rays from DM annihilation



#### Fermi-LAT can provide constraints for light WIMPs



Dwarf spheroidal galaxies are ideal objects to look for dark matter

- They are nearby
- Largely dark matter dominated systems
- Relatively free from gamma-ray emission from other astrophysical sources

 $10^{3}$ 

#### Fermi-LAT `11

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#### Fermi-LAT observation of Dwarf Spheroidals

Fermi-LAT `11

Thermal cross-section excluded for some channels (bb and  $\tau\tau)$ 

Bounds are normally expressed for "pure" annihilation channels.





"Thermal" DM might have a smaller  $\langle \sigma v \rangle$  in the halo

Coannihilation effects, velocity-dependent cross-section resonances

#### Abdo et al. 1001.4531

#### Fermi-LAT `11


#### Very light DM can be further constrained with data from the Galactic Centre



### These bounds depend significantly on the properties of the DM halo

It has been argued that the DM density in the Galactic Centre can be enhanced due to the effect of baryons, in a process known as "adiabatical contraction".



These bounds are enough to start constraining the parameter space of some very light WIMP models





This assumes a large boost factor coming from the contributions due to subhaloes

$$b(M_{200}) = \mathcal{J}_{sub} / \mathcal{J}_{NFW} = 1.6 \times 10^{-3} (M_{200} / M_{\odot})^{0.39}$$

Gao et al., 1107.1916

TAE Benasque 2014





### How to explain this with particle DM models?

Some common models cannot account for this (e.g. neutralino)

$$R_{\rm wino}^{\rm th} \simeq 200$$
 and  $R_{\rm Higgsino}^{\rm th} \simeq 700$ .

Currently looking for models with "enhanced gamma-lines"



 $10^{-8}$ 

### There can also be surprises in Fermi LAT data at low energy

#### An excess at low masses?



Millisecond pulsars seem to produce a softer spectrum...

 $4.0.10^{-6}$ NGC 6266 47 Tuc 3.0·10<sup>−6</sup>  $E^2$  dN/dE (Arb. Units) Terzan 5 All MSPs Dark Matter  $2.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$  $1.0.10^{-6}$  $-1.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$ 0.5 1.0 5.0 10.0 50.0  $E_{\gamma}$  (GeV) Daylan et al. 1402.6703 Compatible with the annihilation of a light WIMP ~10 GeV

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Hooper, Goodenough 2010
Hooper, Linden 2011
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or due to millisecond pulsars, cosmic ray effects or different spectrum at galactic centre.

Abazajian 1011.4275 Chernyakova 1009.2630 Boyarsky, Malyshev, Ruchayskiy, 1012.5839

 $10^{-25}$ 1 CI, this work Inner slope:  $\gamma = 1.3$  $2\sigma$  CI, this work Hooper & Linden (2011) [cm<sup>3</sup>/s] 50% bb. 50% leptons ∧<sup>10-26<sup>1</sup></sup> 8 10% bb. 100% bb 90% leptons Gordon, Macas 1306.5725 10-27 20 10 15 2530 35 4045 M<sub>DM</sub> [GeV]

### Predictions for indirect detection (gamma-ray searches)

For subdominant DM we assume that the DM haloes preserve the ratio in its abundance

 $\xi = \min[1, \Omega_{\tilde{N}_1} h^2 / 0.13]$ 

Excludes some points for low mass (especially in tau channels)

Some examples could account for the excess in gamma ray in the GC

 $\xi^2 \langle \sigma v \rangle_0 (\mathrm{cm}^3/\mathrm{s})$ 

 $2.10 \times 10^{-26}$ 

 $1.72 \times 10^{-26}$ 

 $1.71 \times 10^{-26}$ 

 $\% b \overline{b}$ 

79.76

66.26

90.54

 $m_{\tilde{N}_1}(\text{GeV})$ 

 $23.60^{*}$ 

27.35

35.62\*\*





# **Direct Detection of Dark Matter**



- Ionization
- Scintillation
- Phonons
- Bubble nucleation

#### Detection rate

$$R = \int_{E_T}^{\infty} dE_R \frac{\rho_0}{m_N m_{\chi}} \int_{v_{min}}^{\infty} v f(v) \frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R}(v, E_R) dv$$

For a 100 GeV WIMP, this implies

recoil energies of order  $E_{R} \sim 10 \text{ keV}$ 

#### Experimental setup

Target material (sensitiveness to spin-dependent and –independent couplings)

Detection threshold

#### Astrophysical parameters

Local DM density Velocity distribution factor

#### Theoretical input

Recoiling

Nucleus

Scattered

WIMP

Differential cross section (of WIMPs with quarks)

Nuclear uncertainties

The WIMP-nucleus cross section has two components

$$\frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R} = \left(\frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R}\right)_{SI} + \left(\frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R}\right)_{SD}$$

Spin-independent contribution: scalar (or vector) coupling of WIMPs with quarks

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \alpha_q^S \bar{\chi} \chi \bar{q} q + \alpha_q^V \bar{\chi} \gamma_\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q$$

Total cross section with Nucleus scales as A<sup>2</sup> Present for all nuclei (favours heavy targets) and WIMPs

Spin-dependent contribution: WIMPs couple to the quark axial current

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \alpha_q^A (\bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \chi) (\bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 q)$$

Total cross section with Nucleus scales as J/(J+1)Only present for nuclei with  $J \neq 0$  and WIMPs with spin





... however other experiments (CDMS, Xenon, CoGeNT, ZEPLIN, Edelweiss, ...) did not confirm (its interpretation in terms of WIMPs).

DAMA (DAMA/LIBRA) signal on annual modulation

cumulative exposure 427,000 kg x day (13 annual cycles) DAMA/LIBRA Coll. `10

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Possible explanations in terms of "exotic" dark matter also constrained

- Spin-dependent WIMP couplings
- Pseudoscalar DM
- Inelastic Dark Matter
- Very light WIMPs
- Isospin Violating DM



Freese, Lisanti, Savage '12

### More hints for very light WIMPs...?

- DAMA/LIBRA (NaI) region extended to very light WIMPs (channelling, quenching factors, ...) Bottino, Fornengo, Scopel '09, DAMA/LIBRA '11
- CoGeNT (Ge) finds irreducible background that can be compatible with 7-12 GeV WIMPs ... annual modulation (2.8 $\sigma$  in 15 months data) in CoGeNT Collar et al. '10, '11
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Angloher et al. '11

Collar et al. '10, '11



#### However very light WIMPs did not show up in other experiments

• XENON finds no light WIMPs: issues with scintillation efficiency  $(L_{eff})$ ?

XENON10, XENON100 `11-12

• CDMS II: A low-energy reanalysis of the data is incompatible with CoGeNT region

CDMS '11

• **SIMPLE**: (C<sub>2</sub>ClF<sub>5</sub>) Further constraints on DAMA/LIBRA and CoGeNT regions



DAMA-LIBRA interpretation in terms of channelling is challenged



#### XENON 2012 (224.6 live days)

Gelmini, Gondolo, Bozorgnia, '09 '10

CRESST: backgrounds from <sup>210</sup>Po underestimated?

Kuzniak, Boulay, Pollmann '12

#### CDMS did not see annual modulation

An analysis of CDMS II (Ge) data has shown no evidence of modulation.

This means a further constraint on CoGeNT claims



### The light DM puzzle



CDMSlite: Phys.Rev.Lett. 112 (2014) 041302



#### Feng, Kumar, Marfatia, Sanford 2011

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m<sub>x</sub> (GeV)

<sup>10</sup> 1 m<sub>x</sub> (GeV)

11

11

9

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#### Isospin-Violating Dark Matter

$$R = \sigma_p \sum_{i} \eta_i \frac{\mu_{A_i}^2}{\mu_p^2} I_{A_i} \left[ Z + (A_i - Z)^{-1} \right] = 0$$

The scattering amplitudes for proton and neutrons may interfere destructively

Complete destructive interaction

$$f_n/f_p = -Z/(A$$

For Xe (Z=54, A~130) 
$$\rightarrow f_n/f_p = -0.7$$

-Z)



XENON100 (Xe) and CDMS II (Si) results can be "reconciled"

NZ 0

10<sup>-5</sup>

 $10^{-6}$ 

10

10<sup>-2</sup>

σ<sub>p</sub> (pb)

7

8

8

TAE Benasquerandsen et al. 2013

CDMS-Si (SL CDMS-Ge (SUF) CDMS-Ge (Soudan)

XENON100 (2011) XENON10 (2011) DAMA (Savage et al.

CoGeNT (2010)

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### The experimental setup



# CDMS II

4.6 kg Ge (19 x 240 g) 1.2 kg Si (11 x 106g)

3" Diameter 1 cm Thick

2 charge + 4 phonon





# SuperCDMS Soudan

9.0 kg Ge (15 x 600g)

3" Diameter 2.5 cm Thick

2 charge + 2 charge 4 phonon + 4 phonon





# SuperCDMS SNOLAB

100 kg Ge (72 x 1.4 kg) (also ~10 kg Si)

4" Diameter 3.3 cm Thick

2 charge + 2 charge 6 phonon + 6 phonon





### The detection principle in CDMS

The scattering of an incident particle can induce a recoil of a nucleus (neutrons and WIMPs) or an electron (elecrons and gammas)



The recoiling particle produces

- Lattice vibrations (Phonons)
- Electron-hole pairs (Ionization)

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### Results from the silicon detectors in CDMS II

Three WIMP-like events in the Si run that could correspond to ~9 GeV WIMP



Results from the last SI data-taking period

Phys.Rev.Lett. 111 (2013) 251301

- Jul. 2007 - Sep. 2008 (8 Si ZIPs, 140.2 kg days) - 3 EVENTS OBSERVED (~0.7 expected)

WIMP+background hypothesis favoured over the known background estimate at the 99.81% confidence level (~ $3\sigma$ , p-value: 0.19%).

Can this result be tested with the new Ge detectors?

The search for low-mass WIMPs is challenging

• The signal is expected at very low recoil energies

Favours light targets Low-threshold searches

 Ge is relatively heavy so the threshold has to be just above the noise to be sensitive to 5 GeV WIMPs



 Backgrounds are more difficult to discriminate due to a degradation in the resolution (this is not a background free search)



# SuperCDMS at SOUDAN

Operational since March 2012

# iZIP

interleaved Z-sensitive Ionization & Phonon detectors



Instrumented on both sides with 2 charge+ 4 phonon sensors





### Data for this analysis:

577 kg-days taken from Mar 2012 – July 2013 7 iZIPs with lowest trigger threshold iZIP discrimination of surface events

In the new iZIPs the ionization lines ( $\pm$ 2V) are interleaved with phonon sensors (0V) on a ~1mm pitch

#### Bulk events:

charges (e,h) drift to **both sides** of the crystal

#### Surface events:

charges (e,h) drift to **only one side** of the crystal

Z-PARTITION: The resulting **symmetry/asymmetry** in charge collection in sides 1 and 2



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## Sidewalls

Surface events on the sides of the detector leave more energy in the outer sensors.

RADIAL PARTITION: division of energy between inner and outer sensors The rejection of surface events with the new iZIPs using Z-partition has been demonstrated with data from exposure to betas from <sup>210</sup>Pb sources

In ~800 live hours, no events leaked into the 8-115 keV signal region

Rejection at > 1.7x10<sup>-5</sup>

This could allow a background free search for 5 yr of operation in SuperCDMS @ SNOLAB (~100 kg)



(the low threshold analysis corresponds to smaller energies and some leakage is expected)

# Sources of background

• Bulk electron recoils

Compton background 1.3 keV activation line



Yield = Ionization/phonon helps discriminating NR from ER

• Sidewall & surface events

betas and x-rays from <sup>210</sup>Pb, <sup>210</sup>Bi, recoils from <sup>206</sup>Pb, outer radial Comptons, ejected electrons from Compton scattering Z-Partition and Radial partition define a fiducial volume

 Neutrons (cosmogenic & radiogenic)



Use active and passive shielding. Simulation determines remaining irreducible rate
# Analysis: Selection criteria and efficiencies

We carry out a blind analysis, with all singles in energy range removed from study, except data following <sup>252</sup>Cf calibration due to activation

Efficiency 8.0

0.6

0.4

0.2

0.0<u>∟</u>

Quality

4

+ Preselection

6

# Data Quality:

Reject periods with poor detector performance Remove misreconstructed and noisy pulses Measure efficiency with pulse MC

#### Trigger and analysis threshold:

Select periods with stable well-defined trigger threshold

Measure efficiency from <sup>133</sup>Ba calibration data

#### **Preselection:**

Single-detector scatter Remove events coincident with muon veto Ionization fiducial volume Ionization and phonon partitions consistent with NR

#### **Boosted Decision Tree:**

Optimised cut on the phonon fiducial volume and ionization yield at low energy Efficiency estimated from fraction of <sup>252</sup>Cf passing

scattering with Geant



+ BDT

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Lindhard nuclear-recoil energy [keVnr]

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Total phonon energy [keV]

+ Thresholds

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# Boosted Decision Tree (BDT)

## Inputs (per detector)





**Background**: Modelled with simulated data on sidebands and calibration.

**WIMP Signal**: Modelled with NR data from <sup>252</sup>Cf, then rescaled for WIMPs with mass 5, 7, 10, 15 GeV

Unblinding: Before BDT cut

Events passing all the cuts prior to applying BDT



Unblinding: After BDT cut



Unblinding: After BDT cut



95% CL intervals for WIMPS with

m=5 GeV m=7 GeV m=10 GeV m=15 GeV

# New limit for low-mass WIMPs

## 90% C.L. optimal interval method (no background subtraction)

systematics (efficiency, energy scale, trigger efficiency)



 SuperCDMS-SNOLAB (with ~100 kg Ge and ~10kg Si) will extend the sensitivity by over an order of magnitude with an excellent coverage of the light mass window.



## Neutralino in the MSSM

Linear Superposition of Bino, Wino and Higgsinos

$$\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{\chi}^{0}} = \begin{pmatrix} M_{1} & 0 & -M_{Z}s_{\theta}c_{\beta} & M_{Z}s_{\theta}s_{\beta} \\ 0 & M_{2} & M_{Z}c_{\theta}c_{\beta} & -M_{Z}c_{\theta}s_{\beta} \\ -M_{Z}s_{\theta}c_{\beta} & M_{Z}c_{\theta}c_{\beta} & 0 & -\mu \\ M_{Z}s_{\theta}s_{\beta} & -M_{Z}c_{\theta}s_{\beta} & -\mu & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Its detection properties depend crucially on its composition

$$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 = \underbrace{N_{11} \tilde{B}^0 + N_{12} \tilde{W}_3^0}_{\text{Gaugino-content}} + \underbrace{N_{13} \tilde{H}_d^0 + N_{14} \tilde{H}_u^0}_{\text{Higgsino-content}}$$

# **Spin-independent cross section**

#### • Contributions from squark- and Higgs-exchanging diagrams:



#### Neutralino in the (Constrained) MSSM



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# Neutralino in the MSSM



Very light neutralinos are viable (though quite fine-tuned) in the Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model.

## Neutralino in the MSSM – Unconstrained scenarios



<sup>\*</sup> without constrains on the Higgs sector

#### Neutralino in the Next-to-MSSM

Extensions of the MSSM are well motivated from the theoretical point of view and potentially very interesting from the point of view of dark matter.

In the NMSSM the field structure of the MSSM is modified by the addition of a new superfield  $\hat{S}$ , which is a singlet under the SM gauge group:

$$NMSSM = MSSM + \hat{S} \begin{cases} 2 \text{ extra Higgs (CP - even, CP - odd)} \\ 1 \text{ additional Neutralino} \end{cases}$$
Interesting Collider & DM Phenomenology

• This leads to the following new terms in the superpotential

$$W = Y_u H_2 Q u + Y_d H_1 Q d + Y_e H_1 L e - \frac{\lambda}{3} S H_1 H_2 + \frac{1}{3} \kappa S^3$$

• When Electroweak Symmetry Breaking occurs the Higgs field takes non-vanishing VEVs:

$$\langle H_1^0
angle=v_1$$
 ;  $\langle H_2^0
angle=v_2$  ;  $\langle S
angle=s\,(=rac{\mu}{\lambda})$ 

EW-scale Higgsino-mass parameter

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\* without constrains on the Higgs sector



The light WIMP region becomes more populated: an excellent motivation for lowthreshold experiments. Right-handed sneutrino in the NMSSM

• Addition of TWO new superfields, *S*, *N*, singlets under the SM gauge group

$$\begin{split} \text{NMSSM} &= \text{MSSM} + \hat{S} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2 \text{ extra Higgs (CP - even, CP - odd)} \\ 1 \text{ additional Neutralino} \end{array} \right. \\ &+ N \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \text{ additional (right-handed) Neutrino} \\ &\text{and sneutrino} \end{array} \right. \end{split}$$

• New terms in the superpotential

$$W = Y_{u} H_{2} Q u + Y_{d} H_{1} Q d + Y_{e} H_{1} L e - \lambda S H_{1} H_{2} + \frac{1}{3} \kappa S^{3}$$

$$W = W_{\text{NMSSM}} + \lambda_{N} SNN + y_{N} L H_{2}N$$
• After Radiative Electroweak Symmetry-Breaking
$$\langle H_{1}^{0} \rangle = v_{1} \quad ; \quad \langle H_{2}^{0} \rangle = v_{2} \quad ; \quad \langle S \rangle = s$$

$$m_{N} NN$$
EW-scale Higgsino-mass parameter & M\_{N} NN H\_{1} H\_{2}
$$M_{1} H_{1} H_{2} = v_{1} \quad ; \quad \langle H_{2}^{0} \rangle = v_{2} \quad ; \quad \langle S \rangle = s$$

## EW-scale see-saw mechanism implies very small yukawa couplings

$$m_{\nu_L} = \frac{y_N^2 v_2^2}{M_N} \longrightarrow y_N = \mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$$

Since this determines the LR mixing of the neutrino/sneutrino sector one is left with pure Right and Left fields



The correct relic density can be obtained for  $\lambda$ N~0.1 (it is a WIMP) and a wide range of sneutrino masses

Cerdeño, Muñoz, Seto 0807.3029 Cerdeño, Seto 0903.4677

Other solution for sneutrino dark matter consists in considering LR-sneutrinos

Arina, Fornengo 0709.4477



BUT COUPLED TO THE HIGGS (and therefore to SM particles)

# Right-handed sneutrino in the NMSSM

The predictions span many orders of magnitude.



Indirect detection constraints remove some areas but have no impact on the lower mass of the RH sneutrino



The predictions fill up the whole parameter space with  $m_{\tilde{N}}$ >2 GeV and a scattering cross section within the reach of second generation experiments.

This is a good motivation for low-threshold detectors.

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# WIMPs behave very similarly (not surprisingly)

There can be correlations in the "phenomenological parameters"

Information on spin-dependent WIMP couplings can prove important to distinguish models



"Advance in both fronts" (spin-dependent and -independent) to gain discriminating power

# Can we determine to which DM model it corresponds?

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Determining the full set of parameters provides crucial information

 $m_X$ 

Can we determine the DM model from future data?

All WIMPs behave very similarly (not surprisingly)

The complete identification of the WIMP may not be possible from just the phenomenological parameters

# Combination direct/indirect searches with LHC results

Determining the full set of phenomenological parameters

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$$m_X \quad \sigma_p^{SI} \quad \sigma_p^{SD}$$

Is nevertheless important to distinguish between different WIMP models

Direct searches with different targets

Combination from different experiments

If there is a positive detection the DM parameters can be determined

$$R = \int_{E_T}^{\infty} dE_R \frac{\rho_0}{m_N m_\chi} \int_{v_{min}}^{\infty} v f(v) \frac{d\sigma_{WN}}{dE_R} (v, E_R) dv$$

From the observed rate and differential rate the cross section and mass of the WIMP can be determined

Green '07-10; Drees et al. '08'09

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}R}{\mathrm{d}E_R} \approx \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}R}{\mathrm{d}E_R}\right)_0 F^2(E_R) \exp\left(-\frac{E_R}{E_c}\right)$$
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Direct detection can only determine "phenomenological" WIMP parameters

$$m_X \sigma_p^{SI}$$



Example:  $m_{\chi}$ =100 GeV Exposure: 3000 kg day (Ge target)

The determination is affected by uncertainties

#### Astrophysical uncertainties in direct DM searches

For example, on the central velocity of the DM halo



#### Astrophysical uncertainties in direct DM searches



Bottino, Donato, Fornengo, Scopel 2008 TAE Benasque 2014

# Parameterizing astrophysical uncertainties

Generalization of the SHM for the velocity distribution function

Based on Binney, Tremaine '08

$$f(w) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N_f} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{v_{esc}^2 - w^2}{kv_0^2}\right) - 1 \right]^k & \text{if } w \le v_{esc} \\ 0 & \text{if } w > v_{esc} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|}\hline \text{Nuisance parameter} & \text{Range} \\ \hline \rho_{\text{WIMP},\odot} & [0.2,\,0.6] \; \text{GeV cm}^{-3} \\ \hline v_{\text{esc}} & [478,\,610] \; \text{km s}^{-1} \\ \hline v_{\odot} & [170,\,290] \; \text{km s}^{-1} \\ \hline k & [0.5,\,3.5] \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Lisanti et al. '10



Uncertainties in the hadronic matrix elements can also be responsible for a large uncertainty in the predicted cross-section. E.g., the n-nucleon sigma term

$$\Sigma_{\pi N} = \frac{1}{2} \left( m_u + m_d \right) \left\langle N | \bar{u}u + \bar{d}d | N \right\rangle = (64 \pm 8) \,\mathrm{MeV}$$

#### Leads to an uncertainty of ~ a factor 4 in the s-quark composition in nucleons



(Ellis, Olive, Santoso, Spanos '05)

# Uncertainties in the spin-dependent form factors





There are degeneracies in reconstructing the phenomenological parameters.

The same detected rate can be due to different combinations of SI-SD interactions

Integrating in energies and velocities

$$R_1 = A_1 \sigma_0^{SI} + \left( B_1^p \sqrt{\sigma_0^{SD,p}} + B_1^n \sqrt{\sigma_0^{SD,n}} \right)^2$$

Target-dependent

A single experiment cannot determine the three WIMP couplings (the shape of the differential rate allows a determination of the WIMP mass)

$$R_{1} = A_{1}\sigma_{0}^{SI} + \left(B_{1}^{p}\sqrt{\sigma_{0}^{SD,p}} + B_{1}^{n}\sqrt{\sigma_{0}^{SD,n}}\right)^{2}$$

Determir ation of both SD and SI cross section



The same rate can be explained by a candidate with

Mostly spin-dependent interactions

Mostly spin-independent interactions

NB: in fact we should take into account SDinteractions with protons and neutrons separately (i.e. 3D plots) – not in this talk.
$$R_{1} = A_{1}\sigma_{0}^{SI} + \left(B_{1}^{p}\sqrt{\sigma_{0}^{SD,p}} + B_{1}^{n}\sqrt{\sigma_{0}^{SD,n}}\right)^{2}$$
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Determination of both SD and SI cross section



Complementarity of targets

 One target mostly SI and the other mostly SD

Bertone, DGC, Collar, Odom 2007

• Large exposure  $\rightarrow$  smaller area

Analytical determination of the parameters without uncertainties (ideal)

Cannoni, Gómez, Vergados 2010 Cannoni 2011

$$R_{1} = A_{1}\sigma_{0}^{SI} + \left(B_{1}^{p}\sqrt{\sigma_{0}^{SD,p}} + B_{1}^{n}\sqrt{\sigma_{0}^{SD,n}}\right)^{2}$$
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#### Determination of only the SI cross section



#### The most common situation

- Most targets are more sensitive to the SI component (e.g. Ge, Xe, I)
- Heavy targets or heavy WIMPs
- Small SD cross section

## The inclusion of uncertainties is CRUCIAL

Astrophysical uncertainties

#### Nuclear uncertainties:

Uncertainties in the Spin-dependent form factor can lead to a misreconstruction of WIMP parameters

D.G.C. Fornasa, Huh, Peiro 2012

### Varitions in

• Zero-momentum value

 $\sigma_0^{SI} = 10^{-9} \, \mathrm{pb}$ 

 $\sigma_0^{SD} = 10^{-3} \,\mathrm{pb}$ 

 $m_W = 100 \,\mathrm{GeV}$ 

- Slope
- Plateau



$$S_{ij}(u) = N\left((1-\beta)e^{-\alpha u} + \beta\right)$$

	N	α	eta
<sup>73</sup> Ge	0.12 - 0.21	0.020 - 0.042	5.0 - 6.0
$^{129}\mathrm{Xe}$	0.029 - 0.052	4.2 - 4.7	$1.0 \times 10^{-3} - 7 \times 10^{-3}$
<sup>131</sup> Xe	0.017 - 0.027	4.3 - 5.0	$4.2\times 10^{-2} - 6.1\times 10^{-2}$

-2 -3 log(a<sup>SD</sup>/pb) -6-BM3 Data: R / Scan: R -9 -10 -8  $log(\sigma^{SI}/pb)$ 

Reconstruction with a fixed model for the SD form factor

### Variations in

- Zero-momentum value
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 $\sigma_0^{SI} = 10^{-9} \,\mathrm{pb}$ 

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BLACK = Reconstruction with uncertainties in the SD form factor

BLUE = Astrophysical uncertainties

Effects are only important when the SD contribution is sizable



#### duce a 3-dimensional parametrization

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Quantitatively similar for XENON or CDMS

## Detection with one experiment

$$R_{1} = A_{1}\sigma_{0}^{SI} + \left(B_{1}^{p}\sqrt{\sigma_{0}^{SD,p}} + B_{1}^{n}\sqrt{\sigma_{0}^{SD,n}}\right)^{2}$$

## Ge detector (e.g. SuperCDMS)





_	<sup>3</sup> He	$^{19}\mathrm{F}$	$^{29}\mathrm{Si}$	<sup>23</sup> Na	$^{73}\mathrm{Ge}$	$^{127}I^{*}$	$^{127}I^{**}$	$^{207}\mathrm{Pb}^+$
$\Omega_{0}(0)$	1 9/1	1 616	0 /55	0 601	1 075	1 815	1 220	0 552
$\Omega_1(0)$	-1.527	1.010 1.675	-0.461	0.031 0.588	-1.003	1.015 1.105	1.220	-0.480
$\Omega_p(0)$	-0.141	1.646	-0.003	0.640	0.036	1.460	1.225	0.036
$\Omega_n(0)$	1.386	-0:030	0.459	0.051	1.040	0.355	-0.005	0.516
$\mu_{th}$		2.91	-0.50	2.22	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
$\mu_{exp}$		2.62	-0.56	2.22				
$\frac{\mu_{th}(spin)}{\mu_{exp}}$		0.91	0.99	0.57				

From Vergados '09

Ideally one also wants to further discriminate SD-proton and SD-neutron

Fluorine? - e.g., used in COUPP





In progress: testing other possible targets and the whole parameter space

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We have scanned the parameter space looking for the regions in which each target provides complementarity

300 kg yr of Ge + 300 kg yr of Xe + 300 kg yr of (LiF,  $Al_2O_3$  or CaWO<sub>4</sub>)  $m_{WIMP} = 50 \text{ GeV}$ 



# CaWO<sub>4</sub> is more sensitive to the SI contribution

It provides more information in those points in which the scattering in Ge or Xe is mostly SD  $\ensuremath{\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3}$  and  $\ensuremath{\text{LiF}}$  are more sensitive to the SD contribution

They are ideal in points in which the scattering in Ge or Xe is mostly SI (more often)

# Dark matter in colliders

# Current BSM-specific searches help constrain some DM candidates

#### Searches for BSM physics

(e.g., SUSY) constrain the parameter space and have implications on the nature of the DM





#### Higgs searches

A determination of the Higgs mass also has implications for the DM annihilation and detection processes

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## Muon anomalous magnetic moment

## The SUSY contribution to the muon (g-2) decreases if the spectrum is heavy



## Muon anomalous magnetic moment



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LHC constraints INDIRECTLY lead to constraints on the DM model



## Constraints from rare decays

LHCb has obtained an unprecedented upper bound on the rare decay of Bs into muons

BR(
$$B_s \to \mu^+ \mu^-$$
) < 4.5 × 10<sup>-9</sup>  
BR(B<sub>s</sub>→µµ)<sub>SM</sub> = (3.2 ± 0.2) × 10<sup>-9</sup>



mixing is sizable. This affects:

- Regions with heavy Higgs mass (typically maximal stop mixing normally large tanb)
- Models for very light neutralino dark matter (small  $m_{A}$ , large tanb) ٠

# Constraints from rare decays

• Models for very light neutralino dark matter (small m<sub>A</sub>, large tanb)



No more annihilation mediated by the pseudoscalar – now the relic density is obtained by lightsquark exchange

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## Mono-jet and Mono- $\gamma$ (plus MET) searches constrain the region of light WIMPs



LHC data (see also previous results from Tevatron)



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## Direct DM searches

No detection of WIMP DM lead to upper bounds on the WIMP-nucleus cross-section

Hints for very light WIMPs (7-10 GeV) (DAMA/LIBRA, CoGeNT, CRESST, CDMS-II)

## Indirect DM searches

Gamma ray searches:

- No clear evidence of DM from the continuum emission in the Galactic Centre or Dwarf Spheroidals
- Hints for a 130 GeV gamma "line"

Antimatter searches:

Compatible with astrophysical background – constrain very light WIMPs

However...

• Possible hints for very light DM in the study of the WMAP Haze and synchrotron emission from radio filaments in the inner galaxy.

## Low energy observables

The muon (g-2) and rare decays set further constraints on physics BSM and affect the predictions for DM detection

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Advances in direct DM detection leave room for OPTIMISM:

direct detection experiments are getting more sensitive possible hints in indirect searches LHC further constraining the parameter space for new physics

In all these UNCERTAINTIES play an important role:

To conclusively determine claim DM detection we will need observation using different experimental techniques. Direct detection is needed

Dark matter IDENTIFICATION requires combination of data from different sources

LHC alone cannot determine the DM properties (or if it is the DM at all), need combination with direct or/and indirect searches

Combination of Direct Detection experiments seems promising to determine DM phenomenological parameters

## Hints for very light DM?

#### Gamma rays from the Galactic centre (Fermi LAT data)

Favours light dark matter:





Hooper, Goodenough 2011; Hooper, Linden 2011

# Hints for very light DM?

# Synchrotron emission from radio filaments in the inner galaxy

Seem to contain spectrum of  $e^+e^-$  peaked at 10 GeV

Consistent with thermal very light WIMPs?





Linden, Hooper, Yusuf-Zadeh 2011

#### WMAP Haze

Could be further evidence of light (thermally produced) DM ( $m \sim 10$  GeV) annihilating mostly into leptons.







• LHC alone might be unable to determine the nature of the dark matter

Failing to unambiguously reconstruct the relic density

Combination with Dark Matter experiments provides complementary information

Results from 1 tonne experiments can be combined with LHC data to determine the DM relic abundance

• Spin-dependent sensitive targets can provide complementary information to determine the WIMP phenomenological parameters

The inclusion of uncertainties (especially those in spin form factors) is important to assess complementarity of targets

Relatively small targets  $\sim$ 50-100 kg (LiF, Sapphire) can be complementary to 1 tonne (Ge, Xe) experiments

Example: Two targets in COUPP

The detection rate for a given target is a function of the spin-dependent and independent couplings of the WIMP

$$R_{I} \sim A_{I} \sigma^{SI}_{p} + B_{I} \sigma^{SD}_{p}$$

(use WIMP relation among  $\sigma_n^{SD}$  and  $\sigma_p^{SD}$ )

WIMP detection in two complementary targets can be used to discriminate WIMP models

Bertone, D.G.C, Collar, Odom '07

E.g., for COUPP with  $CF_3I$ 



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E.g., for COUPP with  $CF_3I$  and  $C_4F_{10}$ 

(See also Belanger, Nezri, Pukhov '08)

(use WIMP relation among  $\sigma_n^{SD}$  and  $\sigma_p^{SD}$ )



# Can we determine to which DM model it corresponds?

There can be, however, correlations in the "phenomenological parameters"

Information on spin-dependent WIMP couplings can prove important to distinguish models



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Determining the full set of parameters provides crucial information  $\sigma^{SI}$ 

 $m_X$ 

# DM signals in colliders (LHC)

Direct DM production (pp  $\rightarrow$  XX) does not leave a good signal



Does not leave a good signal (no hard energy deposition for detectors to trigger upon)

We might not be able to test directly the DM couplings to SM matter (problem for estimating the relic abundance)

#### MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO TAKE A MODEL INDEPENDENT APPROACH.

# DM signals in colliders (LHC)

Direct DM production (pp  $\rightarrow$  XX) does not leave a good signal

## Look for jets + extra leptons

New coloured particles are produced through the interaction with quarks and gluons

E.g., in SUSY dominant production will be in

$\sim \sim$	$\sim \sim$	$\sim$ $\sim$
gg	gq	qq

These subsequently decay in lighter particles and eventually in the LSP



Spin-dependent WIMP-nucleus interaction

Matrix element of the axial-vector current

Parametrization of the form factor

$$S(q) = a_0^2 S_{00}(q) + a_0 a_1 S_{01}(q) + a_1^2 S_{11}(q) \qquad a_0 = a_p + a_n$$
$$a_1 = a_p - a_n$$

Nuclear Physics

## Mono-jet and Mono- $\gamma$ (plus MET) searches constrain the region of light WIMPs



Observations of the Milky way are also consistent with the existence of DM at our position in the Galaxy

The rotation curve is known up to large distances





And, despite some recent flawed analysis Bidin, Carraro, Méndez, Smith 2012

Observations show that there is need for dark matter in the solar neighbourhood Bovy, Tremaine 2012



# However very light WIMPs have not shown up in other experiments



• DAMA-LIBRA interpretation in terms of channelling is challenged

Gelmini, Gondolo, Bozorgnia, '09 '10

• CoGeNT: smaller amplitude of the DM modulation signal in second year of data

Collar in IDM 2012

• CRESST: backgrounds from <sup>210</sup>Po underestimated?

Kuzniak, Boulay, Pollmann '12

## Neutralino in the MSSM

The theoretical predictions can be within the range of future experiments

Large cross section for a wide range of masses

Ellis, Ferstl, Olive 2005 Baek, D.G.C., Kim, Ko, Muñoz 2005

Very light Bino-like neutralinos with masses  ${\sim}10~\text{GeV}$  could account for the DAMA signal

Bottino, Donato, Fornengo, Scopel 2008

This region is currently extremely constrained (if not ruled out) by current LHC bounds

LHCb 2012

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \to \mu^+ \mu^-) < 4.5 \times 10^{-9}$$


## Axions



Axions with a mass of order  $m_a = 10^{-5} eV$  can reproduce the correct relic density

Very weakly interacting, can only be detected through conversion into photons in large magnets (e.g., CAST experiment)

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