# Direct dark matter searches: status and implications

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#### **Direct WIMP searches**

- Fifty shades of dark
- The forbidden fruit
- Confusion of the mind
- Treason and murder
- That which does not kill us makes us stronger

# Fifty shades of dark



vacuum  $p = -\rho$ 

Planck (2015) TT,TE,EE+lowP+lensing+ext  $1 \text{ pJ} = 10^{-12} \text{ J}$  $\rho_{\text{crit}} = 1.68829 \ h^2 \text{ pJ/m}^3$ 



Large Scale Structure

**Cosmic Microwave Background** 

**Galaxy Clusters** 



Galaxies spin faster or are hotter than gravity of visible mass can support (rotation curves, velocity dispersion)



Large Scale Structure

**Cosmic Microwave Background** 

Galaxy clusters are mostly invisible mass (motion of galaxies, gas density and temperature, gravitational lensing)





Markevitch et al. 2004, Clowe et al. 2004





Cosmic Microwave Background

Galaxy Clusters



An invisible mass makes the Cosmic Microwave Background fluctuations grow into galaxies (CMB and matter power spectra, or correlation functions)

#### Is dark matter an elementary particle?



#### No known particle can be cold dark matter!

#### The simplest and most elegant idea

The Magnificent WIMP (Weakly Interacting Massive Particle)

Lee, Weinberg; Vysotski, Dolgov, Zeldovich 1977

 One naturally obtains the right cosmic density of WIMPs

Thermal production in hot primordial plasma.



• One can experimentally test the WIMP hypothesis

The same physical processes that produce the right density of WIMPs make their detection possible

\* wimp = a weak and cowardly person



# The forbidden fruit

#### **Galactic dark matter**

#### Rotation curve (Clemens 1985)



 $1 \text{ kpc} = 2.06 \times 10^{11} \text{ AU}$ 

Image by R. Powell using DSS data

#### The principle of direct detection

# Dark matter particles that arrive on Earth scatter off nuclei in a detector

Goodman, Witten 1985



Dark matter particle

Low-background underground detector

#### **Direct dark matter searches**



### **Direct dark matter searches**

 $10^{3}$ 

Time-to-previous-non-timeout, TPNT (s)

 $10^{2}$ 

Platonic ideal: a simple binary indicator that only registers dark-matter-induced nuclear recoils and nothing else



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Amole et al (PICO) 2/27/2015

#### **Background discrimination**

#### Finding the dark matter particles is a fight against background



From Sanglard 2005

#### **Direct WIMP searches**

# First publication of an underground experimental search for WIMP cold dark matter (Ahlen et al 1987)



#### DM Direct Search Progress Over Time (2009)



### **Direct dark matter searches**

#### Background (electron recoil)



David Malling, Uwe Oberlack

#### **Expected event rate is small**

#### Expected WIMP spectrum



~l event/kg/year (nuclear recoils)

#### **Expected event rate is small**

#### Measured Expected WIMP spectrum banana spectrum 1 × 10<sup>-3</sup> Hoeling et al Am.J.Phys. 1999, 67, 440. 1200 Mass = 20 GeVWith Banana 1000 $\sigma_{N,SI} = 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$ <sup>40</sup>K 0.8 10 zeptobarn dR/dE [ kg keV d ]<sup>-1</sup> 6 70 800 Counts 600 400 200 0.2 Without Banana 0 00 720 760 800 600 680 640 10 20 30 40 E [keV] **Channel Number**

~I event/kg/year (nuclear recoils) ~100 events/kg/second (electron recoils)

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# **Confusion of the mind**







#### Bernabei et al (DAMA) 1997-15

**sent** -0.02 -0.04



#### Annually modulated.....

#### .....and unmodulated



Anglehor et al (CRESST) 2011





### **Evidence for light dark matter particles?**



No significant modulation

Same target material Ahmed et al (CD/VS) 1203.1309



Not so many events

Akerib et al (LUX) 2013

#### **DM-nucleus elastic scattering**



Nuclear recoil

$$\begin{pmatrix} event \\ rate \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} detector \\ response \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} particle \\ physics \end{pmatrix} \times (astrophysics)$$

#### Is a nuclear recoil detectable?

Counting efficiency, energy resolution, scintillation response, etc.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{detector} \\ \text{response} \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{G}(E, E_R)$$

Probability of detecting an event with energy (or number of photoelectrons) E, given an event occurred with recoil energy  $E_R$ .

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A common model for  $\mathcal{G}(E, E_R)$  is a Gaussian with mean value



and standard deviation equal to the energy resolution (but there are exceptions, e.g., the XENON experiments)

event`

rate

detector

particle



Compilation of measurements of the quenching factor Q in germanium

 $\times$  (astrophysics)

New efforts to measure quenching factors

Lin et al (TEXONO) 2007



Compilation of measurements of the light efficiency factor *L*<sub>eff</sub> in liquid xenon







Aprile et al (XENON100), 1104.2549

### **Particle physics model**



#### What force couples dark matter to nuclei?

Coupling to nucleon number density, nucleon spin density, ...



### **Particle physics model**

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Spin-independent



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#### How much dark matter comes to Earth?

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Local halo density}\\ (\text{astrophysics}) = \eta(v_{\min}, t) \equiv \rho_{\chi} \int_{v > v_{\min}} \frac{f(\mathbf{v}, t)}{v} \, \mathrm{d}^{3}v\\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Minimum WIMP speed to impart recoil energy } E_{R}\\ v_{\min} = (ME_{R}/\mu + \delta)/\sqrt{2ME_{R}} \end{array}$$
## **Annual modulation**



$$\eta(v_{\min}, t) = \eta_0(v_{\min}) + \eta_1(v_{\min}) \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$$



## **Astrophysics model: velocity distribution**

## Standard Halo Model

truncated  
Maxwellian 
$$f(\mathbf{v}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N_{\rm esc}\pi^{3/2}\bar{v}_0^3} e^{-|\mathbf{v}+\mathbf{v}_{\rm obs}|/\bar{v}_0^2} & |\mathbf{v}| < v_{\rm esc} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



The spherical cow of direct WIMP searches (Gelmini)

## **Direct dark matter searches (2014)**



Billard et al 2013, Snowmass 2013, LUX 2013, SuperCDMS 2014

# **Treason and murder**

## **DAMA** modulation

## Model Independent Annual Modulation Result

**DAMA/Nal + DAMA/LIBRA-phase1** Total exposure: 487526 kg×day = 1.33 ton×yr





No systematics or side reaction able to account for the measured modulation amplitude and to satisfy all the peculiarities of the signature

Comparison between **single hit residual rate (red points)** and **multiple hit residual rate (green points)**; Clear modulation in the single hit events; No modulation in the residual rate of the multiple hit events **A=-(0.0005±0.0004) cpd/kg/keV** 



The data favor the presence of a modulated behaviour with all the proper features for DM particles in the galactic halo at about  $9.2\sigma$  C.L.

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No systematics or side processes able to quantitatively account for the measured modulation amplitude and to simultaneously satisfy the many peculiarities of the signature are available.

## **DAMA** modulation

## Model Independent Annual Modulation Result



- No
- Nd
- Nc ev
- R(t)
- here





## "Public? What does it mean?"

#### Pierluigi Belli at IDM2014

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 $-t^*$ 

0.03 0.04

## **CoGeNT made their data public**

Annual modulation in 3.4 yr of CoGeNT

Annual modulation exclusively at low energy and for bulk events.

Best-fit phase consistent with DAMA/LIBRA

Unoptimized frequentist analysis yields  $\sim 2.2\sigma$  preference over null hypothesis

Modulation amplitude is 4-7 times larger than in the standard halo model

Collar (CoGeNT) at TAUP 2013



## **CoGeNT made their data public**

CoGeNT decided to publish energy and time of their events

Independent groups reanalyzed the CoGeNT data Pulse-shape discrimination of surface/bulk events

No significant modulation found

The CoGeNT region of interest results from a biased analysis, and has no statistical meaning.

Davis, McCabe, Boehm 1405.0495

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Bellis, Collar, Field, Kelso at IDM2014

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## **News from CRESST**

The CRESST-TUM40 upgrade rules out the CRESST low-mass WIMP solution



CRESST-TUM40 upper limit

Strauss at **IDM2014** 

## **News from CDMS II**

## CDMS II Ge rules out the CDMS II Si low-mass WIMP solution

#### Agnese et al (CDMS) 2014



# That which does not kill us makes us stronger

Write down and analyze all possible WIMP-nucleus currents

## **Recoil spectrum**

The recoil spectrum (scattering rate per unit target mass)

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{1}{m_T} \frac{\rho_{\chi}}{m_{\chi}} \int_{v > v_{\min}} v^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R} \frac{f(\mathbf{v})}{v} d^3 \mathbf{v}$$

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Traditionally,  $v^2 d\sigma/dE_R = \text{const} \times (\text{nuclear form factor})$ , with the same coupling to protons and neutrons (spin-independent case)

$$\frac{dR}{dE_R} = \frac{A^2 F^2(E_R)}{2\mu_{\chi p}^2} \,\tilde{\eta}(v_{\min})$$

with 
$$\tilde{\eta}(v_{\min}) = \frac{\sigma_{\chi p}}{m_{\chi}} \eta(v_{\min}) = \sigma_{\chi p} \frac{\rho_{\chi}}{m_{\chi}} \int_{v_{\min}}^{\infty} \frac{f(\mathbf{v})}{v} d^3 v$$

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In trying to explain the data, modify the cross section

- set different couplings to neutrons and protons ("isospin-violating")
- put additional velocity or energy dependence in  $v^2 d\sigma/dE_R$

## Isospin-violating (nonisoscalar) dark matter

Spin-independent couplings to protons stronger than to neutrons may allow modulation signals compatible with other null searches

Kurylov, Kamionkowski 2003; Giuliani 2005; Cotta et al 2009; Chang et al 2010; Kang et al 2010; Feng et al 2011; Del Nobile et al 2011; .....

Why  $f_n/f_p = -0.7$ suppresses the coupling to Xe



## **Particle physics model**

Energy and/or velocity dependent scattering cross sections

nucleus	DM	$v^2  d\sigma/dE_R$	
		light mediator	heavy mediator
"charge"	"charge"	$1/E_R$	$1/M^4$
"charge"	dipole	$1/E_R$	$E_R/M^4$
dipole	dipole	$\operatorname{const} + E_R / v^2$	$E_R^2/M^4$

All terms may be multiplied by nuclear or DM form factors  $F(E_R)$ 

See e.g. Barger, Keung, Marfatia 2010; Fornengo, Panci, Regis 2011; An et al 2011

#### All short-distance operators classified

#### Fitzpatrick et al 2012

#### All nuclear form factors classified

Response $\times \left[\frac{4\pi}{2J_i+1}\right]^{-1}$	Leading Multipole	Long-wavelength Limit	Response Type
$\sum_{J=0,2,\dots}^{\infty}  \langle J_i  M_{JM}  J_i\rangle ^2$	$M_{00}(q\vec{x}_i)$	$rac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}}1(i)$	$M_{JM}$ : Charge
$\sum_{J=1,3,\dots}^{\infty}  \langle J_i     \Sigma_{JM}''     J_i \rangle ^2$	$\Sigma_{1M}^{\prime\prime}(q\vec{x}_i)$	$rac{1}{2\sqrt{3\pi}}\sigma_{1M}(i)$	$L_{JM}^5$ : Axial Longitudinal
$\sum_{J=1,3,\dots}^{\infty}  \langle J_i     \Sigma'_{JM}     J_i \rangle ^2$	$\Sigma'_{1M}(q\vec{x}_i)$	$rac{1}{\sqrt{6\pi}}\sigma_{1M}(i)$	$T_{JM}^{\rm el5}$ : Axial Transverse Electric
$\sum_{J=1,3,\dots}^{\infty}  \langle J_i   \frac{q}{m_N} \Delta_{JM}   J_i\rangle ^2$	$\frac{q}{m_N}\Delta_{1M}(q\vec{x}_i)$	$-rac{q}{2m_N\sqrt{6\pi}}\ell_{1M}(i)$	$T_{JM}^{\text{mag}}$ : Transverse Magnetic
$\sum_{J=0,2,\dots}^{\infty}  \langle J_i   \frac{q}{m_N} \Phi_{JM}''  J_i\rangle ^2$	$\frac{q}{m_N}\Phi_{00}''(q\vec{x}_i)$	$-rac{q}{3m_N\sqrt{4\pi}}ec{\sigma}(i)\cdotec{\ell}(i)$	$L_{JM}$ : Longitudinal
$\left  \sum_{J=2,4,\ldots}^{\infty}  \langle J_i   \frac{q}{m_N} \tilde{\Phi}'_{JM}   J_i\rangle ^2 \right $	$\frac{\frac{q}{m_N}\Phi_{2M}''(q\vec{x}_i)}{\frac{q}{m_N}\tilde{\Phi}_{2M}'(q\vec{x}_i)}$	$\begin{vmatrix} -\frac{q}{m_N\sqrt{30\pi}} [x_i \otimes (\vec{\sigma}(i) \times \frac{1}{i}\vec{\nabla})_1]_{2M} \\ -\frac{q}{m_N\sqrt{20\pi}} [x_i \otimes (\vec{\sigma}(i) \times \frac{1}{i}\vec{\nabla})_1]_{2M} \end{vmatrix}$	$T_{JM}^{\rm el}$ : Transverse Electric

## nuclear oscillator model *Fitzpatrick et al 2012*

Combined analysis of short-distance operators

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} &= \sum_{i} \left( c_{i}^{0} + c_{i}^{1} \tau_{3} \right) \mathcal{O}_{i} & \mathcal{O}_{1} = \mathbf{1}_{\chi} \mathbf{1}_{N} & \mathcal{O}_{7} = \vec{S}_{N} \cdot \vec{v}_{\chi N}^{\perp} \\ \mathcal{O}_{3} = -i\vec{S}_{N} \cdot \left( \frac{\vec{q}}{m_{N}} \times \vec{v}_{\chi N}^{\perp} \right) & \mathcal{O}_{8} = \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \vec{v}_{\chi N}^{\perp} \\ \mathcal{O}_{4} = \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \vec{S}_{N} & \mathcal{O}_{9} = -i\vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \left( \vec{S}_{N} \times \frac{\vec{q}}{m_{N}} \right) \\ \mathcal{O}_{5} = -i\vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \left( \frac{\vec{q}}{m_{N}} \times \vec{v}_{\chi N}^{\perp} \right) & \mathcal{O}_{10} = -i\vec{S}_{N} \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_{N}} \\ \mathcal{O}_{6} = \left( \vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_{N}} \right) \left( \vec{S}_{N} \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_{N}} \right) & \mathcal{O}_{11} = -i\vec{S}_{\chi} \cdot \frac{\vec{q}}{m_{N}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} P_{\text{tot}}(v^{2},q^{2}) &= \frac{4\pi}{2j_{N}+1} \sum_{\tau=0,1} \sum_{\tau'=0,1} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} R_{M}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{M}^{\tau\tau'}(y) \\ &+ R_{\Sigma''}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Sigma''}^{\tau\tau'}(y) + R_{\Sigma'}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Sigma'}^{\tau\tau'}(y) \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}} \begin{bmatrix} R_{\Phi''}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Phi''}^{\tau\tau'}(y) + R_{\Phi''M}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Phi''}^{\tau\tau'}(y) \\ &+ R_{\Phi''}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Phi''}^{\tau\tau'}(y) + R_{\Delta''}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Phi''}^{\tau\tau'}(y) \\ &+ R_{\Phi''}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Phi''}^{\tau\tau'}(y) + R_{\Delta'}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Delta''}^{\tau\tau'}(y) \\ &+ R_{\Delta'\Sigma'}^{\tau\tau'}(v_{\chi T}^{\perp 2},\frac{q^{2}}{m_{N}^{2}}) \ W_{\Delta''}^{\tau\tau'}(y) \end{bmatrix} \\ \end{bmatrix} . \end{split}$$

## Combined analysis of short-distance operators



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Experimental limits on single operators...

Schneck et al (SuperCDMS) 3/11/2015



#### ... and sensitivity of different targets

Schneck et al (SuperCDMS) 3/11/2015



Compare experiments without assuming a local WIMP density or velocity distribution

## **Astrophysics model**

#### Rotation curve (Clemens 1985)



 $1 \text{ kpc} = 2.06 \times 10^{11} \text{ AU}$ 

Image by R. Powell using DSS data

## **Astrophysics model: local density**



Read at IDM 2014

## **Astrophysics model: velocity distribution**

We know very little about the dark matter velocity distribution near the Sun





#### Read et al 2009

Cosmological N-Body simulations including baryons are challenging

## The usual approach







Agnese et al (SuperCDMS) 2014



Fox, Liu, Wiener 2011; Gondolo, Gelmini 2012; Del Nobile, Gelmini, Gondolo, Huh 2013-14



Fox, Liu, Wiener 2011; Gondolo, Gelmini 2012; Del Nobile, Gelmini, Gondolo, Huh 2013-14

Fox, Liu, Weiner 2011

Original idea referred to the recoil spectrum  $dR/dE_R$ , which is not accessible to experiments because of energy-dependent efficiencies and energy resolution, and the fact that often only part of the recoil energy is actually measured.







#### Fox, Kopp, Lisanti, Weiner 2011

Frandsen et al 2011

Use quantities accessible to experiments, i.e., include the effective energy response function. *Gondolo Gelmini* 2012



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And integrate over measured energy intervals:

$$R_{[E_1, E_2]} = \int_{E_1}^{E_2} dE \, \frac{dR}{dE}$$
#### **Astrophysics-independent approach**

Use quantities accessible to experiments, i.e., include the effective energy response function. *Gondolo Gelmini 2012* 

• The measured rate is a "weighted average" of the astrophysical factor.



• Every experiment is sensitive to a "window in velocity space" given by the response function.

$$\mathcal{R}_{[E_1,E_2]}(v) = \int_{E_1}^{E_2} dE \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \int_0^{2\mu_T^2 v^2/m_T} dE_R \mathcal{G}(E,E_R) \frac{v^2}{\sigma_{\mathrm{ref}} m_T} \frac{d\sigma}{dE_R}$$

#### **Astrophysics-independent approach**

Examples of response functions ("windows in velocity space")



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Measure or bound astrophysics factor in velocity interval  $[v_1, v_2]$ 

$$\overline{\tilde{\eta}}_{[v_1,v_2]} = \frac{R_{[E_1,E_2]}^{\text{measured}}}{\int_0^\infty \mathcal{R}_{[E_1,E_2]}(v_{\min}) \, dv_{\min}}$$

$$\tilde{\eta}(v) < \frac{R_{[E_1,E_2]}^{\text{upper limit}}}{\int_0^v \mathcal{R}_{[E_1,E_2]}(v_{\min}) \, dv_{\min}}$$

#### Spin-independent isoscalar interactions

$$\sigma_{\chi A} = A^2 \sigma_{\chi p} \mu_{\chi A}^2 / \mu_{\chi p}^2$$



Astrophysics-independent approach

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CDMS-Si event rate is similar to yearly modulated rates

Still depends on particle model

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The CDMS-Si events lie "below" the CoGeNT/DAMA modulation amplitudes

> Still depends on particle model

# In the next episodes

#### In the next episodes..... Revenge



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#### In the next episodes..... Giant detectors

#### SuperCDMS, XENON1T, XENONnT, Darwin, .....



### In the next episodes..... All interactions

WIMP-nucleus effective theory

- Analyze all WIMP-nucleus currents in the spirit of the 1960's analysis of weak currents (Haxton)
- Velocity- and momentum-dependent operators
- Expected developments
  - long-distance operators
  - improved nuclear physics
  - improved comparison to data
  - astrophysics-independent analysis





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#### al direct detection e direction of nuclear recoil

#### &D efforts

- DRIFT
- Dark Matter TPC
- NEWAGE
- MIMAC
- D3
- Emulsion Dark Matter Search
- Columnar recombination



DMTPC

Only  $\sim 10$  events needed to confirm extraterrestrial signal

#### In the next episodes..... WIMP astronomy



# Synopsis

- Fifty shades of dark
  - WIMPs are testable candidates for cold dark matter
- The forbidden fruit
  - WIMP interaction rates in direct searches are very small.
  - No bananas in the lab.
- Confusion of the mind
  - Some experiments claim WIMP detection while others exclude it.
- Treason and murder
  - Analysis of CoGeNT's public data disagrees with official result.
  - Improved CRESST-II data reject previous CRESST excess.
- That which does not kill us makes us stronger
  - Move to consider all possible WIMP-nucleus currents.
  - Do not assume any specific dark halo model.