## Direct Dark Matter Search in China Jinping Underground Laboratory

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## Available hiding space for DM



a few events/100kg/year

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2400 m

Co-developed by Tsinghua University and Yalong River Hydropower Inc.





XMASS: Xe detector for weakly interacting massive particles; LUX: Large Underground Xenon detector; PANDAX: Particle and Astrophysical Xenon Time Projection Chamber

Google

## 1st generation of DM experiments in China

- CDEX Project (Point-contact Ge)
- PandaX Project (LXe)



# CDEX: China Dark matter EXperiment

#### Established in 2009.

- Tsinghua University, THU
- Sichuan University, SCU
- Nankai University, NKU
- China Institute of Atomic Energy, CIAE
- Yalong River Hydropower Company, EHDC
- Collaborate with TEXONO and KIMS group.









# CDEX development stages

- <u>CDEX-1</u>: Development of HPGe detector, its background understanding and the studies of its performances based on 1kg-scale-mass HPGe detector.
- <u>CDEX-10</u>: Performances of HPGe array detector system and its passive/active shielding systems.
- <u>CDEX-10X</u>: Fabrication of HPGe detector and Germanium crystal growth by CDEX.
- <u>CDEX-1T</u>: Multi-purpose experiment for dark matter and double beta decay.
- <u>CDEX@CJPL</u>





## CDEX-1A 2016 results From: Q Yue

- CDEX-1A run > 500 day, totally ~336 d·kg dataset;
- Flat background level decay from ~10 to ~3 cpkkd;
- ~2 times more sensitive than 2014 SI result and best sensitivity at 4-7 GeV region for SD;
- Axion detection new results: 2-3 times better than CoGeNT results below 1keV;
- AM analysis with >1 year data going on.



#### CDEX: PRD95, 052006, 2017





#### From: Q Yue

#### CDEX on OvDBD

- Published the first Ge-76 0vbb result of CDEX based on the high energy spectra
- Special method developed to estimate the cosmogenic background of Ge based on ultra-low energy spectrum with energy lower than 10keV





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#### CDEX-10 Array detectors From: Q Yue





#### CDEX-10 to CDEX-1T

#### Key HPGe technologies development

- HPGe crystal growth;
- HPGe detector fabrication;
- ULB-VFE including substrate and cables;
- ULB-Copper production in underground



#### Dual phase xenon experiments



LUX, 250 kg, concluded 2016, Sanford Lab LZ(7-ton) in preparation

# XENON1T

#### largest LXe TPC ever built cylinder: 96 × 97 cm active LXe target: 2.0t (3.2t total) 248 PMTs (Hamamatsu R11410-21)

#### Dual phase xenon experiments



#### PandaX Experiments









PandaX-I: 120 kg DM experiment 2009-2014

PandaX-II: 580 kg DM experiment 2014-2018

PandaX-xT: multi-ton (~4-T) DM experiment Future PandaX-III: 200 kg to 1 ton HP gas <sup>136</sup>Xe 0vDBD experiment Future

PANDAX = Particle and Astrophysical Xenon Experiments

#### PandaX collaboration

#### Started in 2009, ~50 people



- Shanghai Jiao Tong University (2009-)
- Peking University (2009-)
- Shandong University (2009-)
- Shanghai Institute of Applied Physics, CAS (2009-)
- University of Science & Technology of China (2015-)
- China Institute of Atomic Energy (2015-)
- Sun Yat-Sen University (2015-)
- Yalong Hydropower Company (2009-)
- University of Maryland (2009-)
- Alternative Energies & Atomic Energy Commission (2015-)
- University of Zaragoza (2015-)
- Suranaree University of Technology(2016-)

#### **Results from PandaX-I**



- Completed in Oct. 2014, with 54.0 x 80.1 kg-day exposure
- Data strongly disfavor all previously reported claims
- Competitive upper limits for low mass WIMP in xenon experiments

#### PandaX-II Detector



- 60 cm x 60 cm
   cylindrical TPC
- 580-kg of LXe in sensitive region, 1.2ton LXe in total
- 55 top + 55 bottom R11410 3" target
   PMTs (split -ve and +ve HV
- 24 top + 24 bottom
   R8520 1" VETO PMTs

#### PandaX-II run history



- Run9 = 79.8 days, exposure: 26.2 ton-day
- Run10 = 77.1 days, exposure: 27.9 ton-day
- Largest reported DM exposure to date

#### Run8+9 SI and SD results

33,000 kg-day exposure

#### PRL 117, 121303 (2016)





#### Minimum elastic SI exclusion: 2.5x10<sup>-46</sup> cm<sup>2</sup> @ 40 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

Minimum  $\chi$ -n SD cross section limit: 4.1x10<sup>-41</sup> cm<sup>2</sup> at 40 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

#### Run9 axion search results

#### arXiv:1707.07921



Among the leading axion search on axion-electron coupling using DD experiments

#### New preliminary results

SI DM search results from Run10 released at TeVPA, Aug. 7 2017



- Improved trigger threshold
- Channel-by-channel SPE efficiency ( $\varepsilon_{zLE}$ )
- Improved detector ER/NR response model
- 2.5 times reduction in total background
  - > Kr85  $\downarrow$  6 times
  - Accidental ↓ 3 times
    Xe127 ↓13 times

#### Electron-recoil (ER) calibration



July – Oct, performed ER calibration using tritiated methane (a technique pioneered by LUX collaboration)



- Selected data with electron lifetime ~700  $\mu s$ , ~8000 low energy ER events
- Events leaked below the NR median: 0.53(8)%
- Consistent with Gaussian estimate

#### Comparison in different S1 slices



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Distillation Campaign

 After ER calibration, realized that the getter could not remove tritium background effectively

- Suspected tritium attached to wall, emanation rate balance with removal rate
- ⇒ 2<sup>nd</sup> distillation campaign (for Kr and tritium)

Nov. – Mar 2017: recuperate → distillation → refill, flush (closed) detector with warm xenon

#### First beneficial occupancy of CJPL-II!



## Background budget table

	Run9	Run10
Xe127	0.42	0.033
Tritium	0	0.22
Kr85	1.19	0.20
Rn222	0.13	0.10
Rn220	0.01	0.02
Detector ER	0.20	0.21
Solar neutrino	0.01	0.01
Xe136	0.0022	0.0023
Total	1.95	0.79

Original <sup>127</sup>Xe gone, additional introduced by a bottle of surface xenon during distillation Based on best fit to data (later)

Rest are consistent between Run 9 and Run 10

#### Vertex distribution

**Noisy PMT** 



- Events @ large radius with suppressed S2: electron loss on the wall due to field irregularity.
- One noisy outer PMT caused biased reconstructed position, particularly for suppressed S2 (deeper in the TPC).
- Residual events are uniformly distributed in the detector

#### Distribution of events (run10)



All high level cuts remained identical in Run9 and Run10 except the vertical drift time cut (400 V/cm to 310 V/cm) FV = 361.5 kg of LXe

#### Total events: 177

- Expected background below NR median: 2.05 evts with ~20% uncertainty
- Observed: 0
- Appears to have a downward fluctuation of background

## E<sub>comb</sub> spectrum



- MC: expected background spectra fixed to low energy best fit
- Data and expected background in good agreement

#### Results on elastic SI DM-nucleon scattering



- Profile likelihood fits made to the data in grids of (m<sub>χ</sub>, σ<sub>χ</sub>).
   90% upper limits produced by comparison of test statistic to toy MC, and power-constrained to -1σ, but conservatively power
  - constrained to  $-1\sigma$
- Improved from PandaX-II 2016 limit about 4 time for mass>30 GeV.
- More constraining than LUX and XENON1T 2017

#### CJPL-II



## **CDEX Space at CJPL-II**

CDEX



- The pit ( $\phi$ 18m $\times$ D18m) ready!
- LN2: φ13m × H13m;
- LN2 tank design finished and plan to install in 2017.

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## CDEX Space at CJPL-II

#### PandaX-xT

- Preparing new experiments in CJPL-II, hall #B2
- Intermediate stage:
  - PandaX-4T (4-ton target) with
     SI sensitivity ~10<sup>-47</sup> cm<sup>2</sup>
  - On-site assembly and commissioning: 2019-2020
- Eventual goal: G3 xenon dark matter detector (~30T) in CJPL to "neutrino floor" sensitivity



## PandaX-III: High pressure <sup>136</sup>Xe TPC

- 0vDBD signal: two electrons emitting from the same vertex with a summed energy at the Q value (tracking essential)
- TPC: 200 kg, 10 atm, symmetric, double-ended charge readout plane with micromegas module with cathode in the middle
- Four more upgraded modules for a ton scale experiment
- Published CDR recently: <u>ArXiv:1610.08883</u>





#### Summary and outlook

- CJPL-I has produced excellent science on DM direct search (CDEX, PandaX)
  - PandaX-II reached and remains at the forefront of the DM search
- Exciting upgrade plans and future opportunities at CJPL-II
- A bright future ahead!