The Current and Future Status of the Search for Dark Matter
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Summary
Search for Supersymmetry in pp Collisions at 7 TeV in Events with Jets and Missing Transverse Energy

The CMS Collaboration*

Abstract

A search for supersymmetry with R-parity conservation in proton-proton collisions at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV is presented. The data correspond to an integrated luminosity of 35 pb$^{-1}$ collected by the CMS experiment at the LHC. The search is performed in events with jets and significant missing transverse energy, characteristic of the decays of heavy, pair-produced squarks and gluinos. The primary background, from standard model multijet production, is reduced by several orders of magnitude to a negligible level by the application of a set of robust kinematic requirements. With this selection, the data are consistent with the standard model backgrounds, namely $t\bar{t}$, $W + \text{jet}$ and $Z + \text{jet}$ production, which are estimated from data control samples. Limits are set on the parameters of the constrained minimal supersymmetric extension of the standard model. These limits extend those set previously by experiments at the Tevatron and LEP colliders.

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Figure 5: Measured (red line) and expected (dashed blue line) 95% CL exclusion contour at NLO in the CMSSM $(m_0, m_{1/2})$ plane for $\tan \beta = 3$, $A_0 = 0$ and $\text{sign}(\mu) > 0$. The measured LO exclusion contour is shown as well (dot-dashed green line). The area below the curves is excluded by this measurement. Exclusion limits obtained from previous experiments are presented as filled areas in the plot. Grey lines correspond to constant squark and gluino masses. The plot also shows the two benchmark points LM0 and LM1 for comparison.
SUSY: Prospects for direct detection

Bayesian analysis, MCMC scan of 8 params (4 SUSY+4 SM)

CMSSM: global scan

CDMS-II (Dec 09): \( \sigma_p^{SI} \lesssim 10^{-7} \text{ pb} \)
also XENON and Zeplin-III
\[ \Rightarrow \text{already explore 68\% region} \]
(large \( m_0 \gg m_{1/2} \) \( \Rightarrow \) heavy squarks)
largely beyond LHC reach

\[ \Rightarrow \text{DD: prospects look very good} \]
SUSY and positron flux

Bayesian posterior probability maps

CMSSM, flat priors, NFW

NUHM, flat priors, NFW

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Dark Matter Results from 100 Live Days of XENON100 Data

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We present results from the direct search for dark matter with the XENON100 detector, installed underground at the Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso of INFN, Italy. XENON100 is a two-phase time projection chamber with a 62 kg liquid xenon target. Interaction vertex reconstruction in three dimensions with millimeter precision allows to select only the innermost 48 kg as ultra-low background fiducial target. In 100.9 live days of data, acquired between January and June 2010, no evidence for dark matter is found. Three candidate events were observed in a pre-defined signal region with an expected background of $1.8 \pm 0.6$ events. This leads to the most stringent limit on dark matter interactions today, excluding spin-independent elastic WIMP-nucleon scattering cross-sections above $7.0 \times 10^{-45} \text{cm}^2$ for a WIMP mass of 50 GeV/c$^2$ at 90% confidence level.

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Figure 6: TPC schematic view

Table 1: XENON1T TPC characteristics
Limit calculation

- Yellin $p_{\text{max}}$ in $E_R$
  - Test statistic is energy interval least likely to contain as few events as observed
- Single-sided limit: no discovery potential
- ...but no background model required.
Figure 10. The correlation between the spin-independent dark matter scattering cross section $\sigma_p^{SI}$ and $m_{\chi}^2$ prior to the inclusion of the current Xenon100 results in the CMSSM (upper left panel), in the NUHM1 (upper right panel), in the VCMSSM (lower left panel) and in mSUGRA (lower right panel). In each panel, we show the 68 and 95% CL contours (red and blue, respectively), the dotted curves correspond to our pre-2010 LHC results, and the solid lines include the 2010 LHC results. Results assuming $\Sigma_{pN} = 50$ MeV are shown as brighter coloured curves and $\Sigma_{pN} = 64$ MeV as duller coloured curves, in each case disregarding uncertainties. The green ‘snowflakes’ (open stars) (filled stars) are the best-fit points in the corresponding models. Also shown is the 90% CL Xenon100 upper limit [24] and its expected sensitivity band.
Spin-Dependent Projected Sensitivity

SD (neutron) XENON1T Sensitivity

- XENON10 Limits (Maximum Gap Method)
- XENON10 Limits (New Quenching Factor)
- CDMS Limits (2009)
- CDMS Limits (Combined)
- ZEPLIN III
- XENON100 (6000 kg*days, BG Free)
- XENON1T (1ton x year, $E_m = 8$ keVr, BG free)

WIMP-Neutron Cross Section (cm$^2$)

Mass (GeV)$^{10^3}$

Roszkowski et al.
Fig 1.2 Main parameters of the 10-ton/50-ton (fiducial) G3 system

Fig 1.3 G2 system (1: Xe/5: Ar) in water and liquid scintillator shields
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Fig 1.1  Main parameters of the 1-ton/5-ton (fiducial) G2 system
The expected background spectrum in NaI dark matter detectors and the DAMA result

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**Abstract**

Detailed Monte Carlo simulations of the expected radioactive background rates and spectra in NaI crystals are presented. The obtained spectra are then compared to those measured in the DAMA/NaI and DAMA/LIBRA experiments. The simulations can be made consistent with the measured DAMA spectrum only by assuming higher than reported concentrations of some isotopes and even so leave very little room for the dark matter signal. We conclude that any interpretation of the annual modulation of the event rate observed by DAMA as a dark matter signal, should include full consideration of the background spectrum. This would significantly restrict the range of dark matter models capable of explaining the modulation effect.

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Fig. 3. Energy spectra of single hit events as reported by the DAMA/Nal [2] (open circles) and DAMA/LIBRA [3] (filled circles) experiments. The spectrum of events expected from 60 GeV WIMP interactions with the spin-independent cross-section of $7 \times 10^{-6}$ pb in the isothermal halo model is shown as example by the solid curve (labeled as '60 GeV WIMPs'). The difference between the measured DAMA/LIBRA spectrum and the WIMP signal is plotted as filled squares (labeled as 'LIBRA-WIMPs'). An example spectrum from one of the NAIAD crystals is shown by filled triangles.
ICARUS neutron time dependence...

predicts DAMA/LIBRA time dependence...


curve: icarus phase points: Dama/Libra data
The Search for Dark Matter (WIMPS) at Low Mass

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Abstract

We review the constraints on the search for low mass wimps (< 15 GeV) and the various experimental methods. These experiments depend on the response of detectors to low energy signals (less than 15 KeV equivalent energy). We then describe recent fits to the data and attempt to determine $L_{\text{eff}}$, the energy response at low energy. We find that the use of a liquid Xenon 2-phase detector that employs the $S_2$ data near threshold is the most sensitive
Figure 1. WIMP masses and spin-independent (SI) cross-sections compatible with the DAMA modulation signal and total number of events, determined with (dashed green) and without (solid orange) the channeling effect included. The largest channeling fractions shown in Figure 1 (taken from Ref. [3]) are used here for the channeling case. Comparing the cases with or without channeling, we find negligible difference in the DAMA modulation regions at the 90%, 3σ, and 5σ levels; only the 7σ contours differ and only for WIMP masses below 4 GeV. The lower and higher mass DAMA regions correspond to parameters where the modulation signals arise from scattering predominantly off of NA and I, from Reference 2.
Figure 2. XENON10 (green) and XENON100 (purple) 90% C.L. constraints for a constant $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}$ at recoil energies below 3.9 KeVnr. The solid curves are the constraints using the central values of $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}$ as described in the text; dashed curves and lighter filled regions indicate how these 90% constraints vary with the 1σ uncertainties in $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}$. The blue region indicates an overlap between the XENON10 (green) and XENON100 (purple) 1σ regions. Also shown are the CDMS constraint (orange curve), DAMA modulation compatible regions (gray contours/region), and the CoGeNT 7-12 GeV region (pink contour/region). The lower and higher mass DAMA regions correspond to parameters where the modulation signals arise from scattering predominantly off of Na and I, from Reference 4.
Figure 6. Study of Savage et al on $L_{\text{eff}}$. 
Figure 7 (Reference 6). Exclusion plot of Savage et al.
Figure 8. Study of $Q_y$ by Sorensen using $S_2$ signal data.
Figure 9. Study of Sorensen using $S_2$ to determine $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}$. 
Giving up S2/S1 discrimination in exchange for a lower energy threshold

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Talk Overview

• the XENON10 direct detection experiment
• limitations of S1 (scintillation signal) threshold
• new analysis of S2 (electron signal) energy scale
• using S2 width to obtain approximate z coordinate
• S2-only (no discrimination) dark matter limits
(preliminary) dark matter exclusion limits

Notice: this S2-only exclusion limit curve is preliminary, and has not been fully reviewed by the XENON10 collaboration. Pending review it is subject to change.

- Max Gap 90% C.L. upper limit between 1.6 keVr and 3.8 keVr
- 12.5 live days
- 1.2 kg target
- conservative -1σ Qy energy calibration
- no account of resolution (this would improve limits)
Figure 10. Curves indicate 90% C.L. exclusion limits on spin-independent $\sigma_n$ for elastic dark matter scattering, obtained by CDMS (dotted [11] and dashed [12]), XENON100 (dash-dot [39]). 99% C.L. allowed regions consistent with the assumption of a positive detection are also shown, for signals from DAMA (with ion channeling) [4], and CoGeNT (assuming 30% exponential background) [4].
Figure 9. A new result from SIMPLE (Ref. 14), showing various spin-independent contours for SIMPLE, together with those of the leading [21-28] spin-independent search results; shown are both previous and reanalyzed Stage 1 results, Stage 2, and a merging of the two.
Low-threshold analysis of CDMS shallow-site data


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Data taken during the final shallow-site run of the first tower of the Cryogenic Dark Matter Search (CDMS II) detectors have been reanalyzed with improved sensitivity to small energy depositions.

Four $\sim 254$ g germanium and two $\sim 106$ g silicon detectors were operated at the Stanford Underground Facility (SUF) between December 2001 and June 2002, yielding 118 live days of raw exposure. Three of the germanium and both silicon detectors were analyzed with a new low-threshold technique, making it possible to lower the germanium and silicon analysis thresholds down to the actual trigger thresholds of $\sim 1$ keV and $\sim 2$ keV, respectively. Limits on the spin-independent cross section for weakly interacting massive particles (WIMPs) to elastically scatter from nuclei based on these data exclude interesting parameter space for WIMPs with masses below $9$ GeV/$c^2$. Under standard halo assumptions, these data partially exclude parameter space favored by interpretations of the DAMA/LIBRA and CoGeNT experiments’ data as WIMP signals, and exclude new parameter space for WIMP masses between $3$ GeV/$c^2$ and $4$ GeV/$c^2$.

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