Cosmic-ray antideuteron searches







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Cosmic rays as messengers

modulation

by solar wind

deflection in magnetic field

scattering in magnetic fields, interaction with interstellar medium proton > 10MeV red electron > 10MeV green positron > 10MeV blue neutron > 10MeV turquoise muon > 10MeV magenta photon > 10keV yellow

20GeV proton interactions with atmosphere

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zoom

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Cosmic rays 2016



Existence of dark matter

Bullet cluster red: hot X-ray emitting gas blue: distribution of dark matter

dark matter exists, but nature remains unknown!

- luminous matter cannot describe the structure of the Universe
- evidence for dark matter comes from many different type of observations on different distance scales

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rotation curves

Abell 1689: gravitational

PLANCK

lensing

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Why do we need something new?



- dark matter is so far only gravitationally visible and must be a new non-baryonic type of particle
 - neutral
 - with relatively high mass to explain the structure formation of the universe
 - with only very weak interactions with standard particles (if at all)
- discovering the nature of dark matter is one of the most striking problems in physics

How is dark matter interacting?

- **natural assumption:** dark matter was in thermal equilibrium in the early universe expansion led to dark matter freeze-out
- WIMP miracle: weak-scale particles are ideal candidates (~100-1000GeV) to reproduce observed relic dark matter density

→ dark matter must(?) be able to interact with standard model particles

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Direct dark matter searches (scattering)

- direct dark matter search: measure cross-section via nuclear recoil
- typically large, heavy and very pure target materials in deep mines (~10 operating experiments)
- experiments start to reach in theoretically preferred parameter space
- experiments disagree

 some
 experiments claim discovery, some
 set exclusion limits

Dark matter signal in cosmic rays?

Cosmic rays from dark matter annihilation or decay could contribute to the astrophysical cosmic rays

- unexplained features in positrons
- proposed theories:
 - astrophysical origin \rightarrow pulsars
 - SNR acceleration
 - dark matter annihilation
- no (?) excess for antiprotons \rightarrow inconclusive

Galactic gamma-ray excess

Uncovering a gamma-ray excess at the galactic center

Unprocessed map of 1.0 to 3.16 GeV gamma rays

Known sources removed

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Galactic gamma-ray excess

- gamma-ray excess at the galactic center \rightarrow ~30GeV dark matter particle?
- signal in low-energy antiprotons?
- understanding of astrophysical background is a big challenge

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Dark matter interactions

Berlin, Hooper, McDermott: Phys. Rev. D 89, 115022 (2014)

Model	DM	Mediator	Interactions	Elastic	Near Future Reach?	
Number	DW		Interactions	Scattering	Direct	LHC
1	Dirac Fermion	Spin-0	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi, \bar{f}f$	$\sigma_{\rm SI} \sim (q/2m_{\chi})^2 \; ({\rm scalar})$	No	Maybe
1	Majorana Fermion Spin-0 $\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi, \bar{f}f = \sigma_{\rm SI} \sim (q/2m_{\chi})^2 ({\rm scalar})$		No	Maybe		
2	Dirac Fermion	Spin-0	$ar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi,ar{f}\gamma^5f$	$\sigma_{\rm SD} \sim (q^2/4m_n m_\chi)^2$	Never	Maybe
2	Majorana Fermion	Spin-0	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^5\chi,ar{f}\gamma^5f$	$\sigma_{ m SD} \sim (q^2/4m_n m_\chi)^2$	Never	Maybe
3	Dirac Fermion	Spin-1	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\chi,\bar{b}\gamma_{\mu}b$	$\sigma_{\rm SI} \sim \rm loop~(vector)$	Yes	Maybe
4	Dirac Fermion	Spin-1	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}\chi,\bar{f}\gamma_{\mu}\gamma^{5}f$	$\sigma_{ m SD} \sim (q/2m_n)^2 \text{ or}$ $\sigma_{ m SD} \sim (q/2m_\chi)^2$	Never	Maybe
5	Dirac Fermion	Spin-1	$\left \bar{\chi} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^5 \chi, \bar{f} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma^5 f \right $	$\sigma_{ m SD} \sim 1$	Yes	Maybe
5	Majorana Fermion	Spin-1	$\left \bar{\chi} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^5 \chi, \bar{f} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma^5 f \right $	$\sigma_{ m SD} \sim 1$	Yes	Maybe
6	Complex Scalar	Spin-0	$\phi^{\dagger}\phi,ar{f}\gamma^{5}f$	$\sigma_{\rm SD} \sim (q/2m_n)^2$	No	Maybe
6	Real Scalar	Spin-0	$\phi^2,ar{f}\gamma^5 f$	$\sigma_{ m SD} \sim (q/2m_n)^2$	No	Maybe
6	Complex Vector	Spin-0	$B^{\dagger}_{\mu}B^{\mu}, ar{f}\gamma^5 f$	$\sigma_{\rm SD} \sim (q/2m_n)^2$	No	Maybe
6	Real Vector	Spin-0	$B_{\mu}B^{\mu},ar{f}\gamma^5 f$	$\sigma_{ m SD} \sim (q/2m_n)^2$	No	Maybe
7	Dirac Fermion	Spin-0 $(t-ch.)$	$ar{\chi}(1\pm\gamma^5)b$	$\sigma_{\rm SI} \sim \rm loop~(vector)$	Yes	Yes
7	Dirac Fermion	Spin-1 $(t-ch.)$	$\bar{\chi}\gamma^{\mu}(1\pm\gamma^5)b$	$\sigma_{\rm SI} \sim {\rm loop} \ ({\rm vector})$	Yes	Yes
8	Complex Vector	Spin-1/2 (t-ch.)	$X^{\dagger}_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu}(1\pm\gamma^5)b$	$\sigma_{\rm SI} \sim \rm loop~(vector)$	Yes	Yes
8	Real Vector	Spin-1/2 (t-ch.)	$X_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu}(1\pm\gamma^5)b$	$\sigma_{\rm SI} \sim {\rm loop} \ ({\rm vector})$	Yes	Yes

TABLE V. A summary of the simplified models identified in our study as capable of generating the observed gammaray excess without violating the constraints from colliders or direct detection experiments. In the last two columns, we indicate whether the model in question will be within the reach of near future direct detection experiments (LUX, XENON1T) or of the LHC. Models with an entry of "Never" predict an elastic scattering cross section with nuclei that is below the irreducible background known as the "neutrino floor". The "Model Number" given in the first column provides the key for the model points shown in Fig. 9.

Depends on

- type of DM: scalar, fermion, vector
- type of coupling: scalar (1), pseudoscalar (γ⁵), vector (γ^μ), axial (γ^μγ⁵)

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- deuterons are the nuclei of heavy water and antideuterons are the corresponding antimatter (q=-1,m=1876MeV, s=1)
- antideuterons were discovered in 1965 at CERN and Brookhaven and were the first real (bound) antimatter ever discovered
- seen since then at, e.g., LEP, Tevatron, LHC collider experiments
- have never been discovered in cosmic rays (next antinucleus in line after the antiproton and before antihelium)

Status of cosmic-ray antideuterons

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dentification with cosmic-ray antideuterons

Antideuterons are the most important unexplored indirect detection technique!

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Uncertainties

modulation by solar wind

deflection in magnetic field

dark matter annihilation or decay

- dark matter clumping
- antideuteron production
- Galactic propagation
- solar modulation
- geomagnetic deflection
- atmospheric interactions
- interactions in detector

proton > 10MeV red electron > 10MeV green positron > 10MeV blue neutron > 10MeV turquoise muon > 10MeV magenta photon > 10keV yellow

zoom 20GeV proton interactions with atmosphere

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Antideuteron formation

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(Anti)deuterons and NA61/SHINE

- cosmic ray production happens between 40 and 400 GeV \rightarrow SPS energies from 9 to 400 GeV are ideal
- we are working on (anti)deuteron and antiproton analysis

NA49 antideuterons

- NA49 is pre-decessor experiment
- NA49 lead-lead data were already analyzed for antideuterons
- important cross-check for the MC generators: measurement of the yield of antiprotons with the same data

T. Anticic et al., Phys. Rev. C 85, 044913 (2012)

Propagation uncertainty

- propagation is the strongest uncertainty source for primary antideuterons: halo size for diffusion calculation poorly constrained
- more data on various nuclear speces are needed for better constraints

Solar modulation

Geomagnetic cutoff

19-May-2011

Reverse computation of antiproton trajectories starting at the same location in the same direction for two different times

 \rightarrow magnetic environment change changes the trajectories drastically and influences the cutoff values

Red: 0.5GV Blue: 1.0GV Magenta: 1.5GV Green: 2.0GV Cyan: 2.5GV

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5-December-2011

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Geomagnetic cutoff

Geomagnetic cutoff for AMS-02 and GAPS

- geomagnetic environment is influenced by solar activity
- AMS-02 is installed on the ISS (latitude ±52°)
 → understanding of
 - geomagnetic environment crucial for low energies
- GAPS is planned to fly from Antarctica (~-80°)
 - → geomagnetic corrections are minimal

Solar flare event: 7-March-2012

Significant decrease of geomagnetic cutoff

Magnetic field changes since 2011

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Geant4 - Model for *d* simulation

- recent implementation in Geant4: antideuteron simulations
- FTF model (diffractive string excitation with momentum transfer) was extended to handle nucleus-nucleus interaction down to 0GeV
- best model for antiprotons, antineutrons, antideuterons:
 - very little data for validation available
 - needed:
 - antideuteron formation
 - exotic model for antiproton and antideuteron (GAPS)

1000MeV antideuteron silicon TOF silicon TOF silicon pion pion antiproton

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Identification challenge

Required rejections for antideuteron detection:

- protons: > 10⁸ 10¹⁰
- He-4: > 10⁷ 10⁹
- electrons: > 10⁶ 10⁸
- **positrons**: > 10⁵ 10⁷
- antiprotons: > 10⁴ 10⁶

Antideuteron measurement with balloon and space experiments require:

- strong background suppression
- long flight time and large acceptance

AMS-02 on the International Space Station

AMS is a multi-purpose particle physics detector installed on the International Space Station large international collaboration (~600 people from 60 countries involved) AMS collected 10th of billions of events since May 2011

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AMS sub-detectors

AMS antideuteron analysis

	e⁻	р	He,Li,Be,Fe	γ	e⁺	p, d	He, C
TRD γ=E/m		•	Υ		444	Ŧ	r
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antideuteron identification:

- -momentum measured in the form of rigidity
- -charge from TOF, TRD, tracker

- –lower velocities: Time Of Flight scintillator system $m=R\cdot Z\sqrt{rac{1}{\beta^2}-1}$ higher velocities: Ring Image Cherenkov detector
- self-calibrated analysis:
 - -calibrate antideuteron analysis with deuterons and antiprotons (simulations and data)
 - -geomagnetic cut-off location is challenging: study low-energy protons and electrons to calibrate geomagnetic and solar effects

Example for proton and deuteron mass reconstruction

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Deuterons are interesting, too

- available deuteron measurements have mostly large error bars
- RICH energy range (~1-9GeV/n) will be important to constrain propagation models
- d/p, d/He-4, d/He-3 ratios are very important to understand cosmic-ray propagation

GAPS sensitivity

Background rejection:

- stopping protons don't have enough energy to produce pions and cannot form exotic atoms (pos. charge)
- deexcitation X-rays have characteristic energies
- number of annihilation pions and protons
- stopping depth in detector

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GAPS antiproton

Predicted primary antiproton fluxes at TOA from neutralinos, LZPs, gravitinos, or PBHs, along with neutralino signals as seen by 1 GAPS LDB flight

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Prototype GAPS

Goals:

- demonstrate stable operation of the detector components during flight
- study Si(Li) cooling approach for thermal model
- measure background levels

mean TRK T -18.4C

pGAPS flight: June 3rd 2012 from Taiki, Japan

well defined TOF trigger and tracker runs

- time: 19×13min
- ~600,000
 triggers
- carry out in-flight calibration of Si(Li) detectors
 - run X-ray tube
 - time: 13×4min
- trigger on Si(Li) detectors to study incoherent X-ray background
 - time: 9×3min

pGAPS flux measurement

- flux at drift-out "boomerang" altitude (10-15km) is ~30% higher than at float (33km)
- flux as function of velocity compared to simulations with Geant4+PLANETOCOSMICS (incl. geomagnetic, atmospheric effect)
 - β <0.2 (E_{kin,proton}~20MeV) very good agreement
 - $\beta{=}0.3{\text -}0.5$ (E_kin,proton~50-150MeV) within systematic errors
 - β >0.7 (E_{kin,proton}~400MeV) good agreement
 - deviations at 0.3 and 0.6 visible \rightarrow more simulation work at low energies in the future
- α particles constitute about ~10% of the flux at 33km (~9g/cm²) → in good agreement with BESS data

Path forward

- antideuteron searches are experimentally challenging
 → multiple experiments for cross-checks are important
- AMS-02 and GAPS have very different event signatures AND very different backgrounds
 - → very good for independent confirmation
- two independent flight trajectories
 - AMS-02 has a factor of 10 geomagnetic cutoff correction
 - GAPS analysis has nearly no geomagnetic correction
- low-energy antiproton flux measurement will be the most important cross-check between AMS-02 and GAPS

GAPS from Antarctica

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Conclusion & Outlook

- Measurement of antideuterons is a promising way for indirect dark matter search
- AMS-02 and GAPS have for the first time sensitivity to antideuterons from dark matter annhihilation or decay
- Extended models and improved simulation tools needed
- Measurements with NA61/SHINE will improve understanding of antideuteron production and modeling

