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A Vision for Dark Matter and Neutrino physics in Korea





Group

- Chang Hyon Ha: Metal-loaded Liquid scintillator R&D (LSC)
- Jinyoung Kim: Neutron & Dark Matter Annual Modulation (COSINE)
- Yujin Lee: Phoswich—>Pulse-shape discrimination of Dark Matter nuclear recoil (COSINE)
- Byoung-cheol Koh: Neutrino-Nucleus Coherent Scattering (NEON)
- Jong Seok Chung: Cryogenic detection of rare nuclear events (AMoRE)
- Hanl KimKu: CANDY—> IceCube-DeepCore data analysis (IceCube)
- Seong Joon Won: High-purity Germanium detector development (HPGe)
- Jiwon Seo : Position-sensitive detector development (HAWL)
- JoonBomb Lee : AMoRE software development (AMoRE)

Research

- Hardware R&D
- Position-sensitive Scintillator development
- Multi-channel DAQ system
- Improving scintillator Light yield
- Metal doping into Liquid scintillator
- Experimental support
- Software Analysis
- ROOT, GEANT4, Python
- LLH methods and Bayesian Methods for parameter inference.
- Machine Learning and Deep Neural Network for discrimination and reconstruction.
- Other
- Education-based muon detector development.



Publications in Progress

Submitted to Frontiers



Pulse shape discrimination in an organic scintillation phoswich detector using machine learning techniques

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HAWL draft in progress

Hankuk Atmospheric-muon Wide Landscaping : HAWL

 $RESL^1$

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Cosmic ray muons are useful in various fields from particle physics experiments to non-invasive tomography, thanks to their high flux and high penetrating capability. With a plastic scintillator panel detector installed in a car, we map the terrain of mountains above highway tunnels and underground spaces. Depth resolutions for the overburden are found to follow the f(x) form which describes the event rate and speed of the vehicle.

INTRODUCTION

⁴⁹ supporting the detector shape is made with a s ⁵⁰ mm on each side for the space to connect the

PEPV & Electron stability draft in progress

- 1 PREPARED FOR SUBMISSION TO JCAP
- Tests for the electron stability and
 the Pauli Exclusion Principle with
 COSINE-100



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The COSINE-100 detector

Copper Box (3cm)

5-inch

PMT

b)

c)

37 panels of plastic scintillator

Plastic

Panel

Scintillator

Lead(20cm)

JINST13 T02007 (2018)

a)

2-inch

PMT

3-inch PMT



4 X 2 encased crystal array Total mass of 106 kg

Eur. Phys. J. C. 78 107 (2018)

The NEON experiment

Introduction to NEON **Detector Configuration**

Liquid Scintillator

Passive shield Tagging radiations → background reduction 10 5-inch PMTs



Active Target 6 Nal(TI) crystals 16.8 kg of total mass ~24 NPE/keV light yield



Shields 730-cm thick PE (nº) 2.5-cm thick B-PE 10/15-cm thick lead shield (y)

Hanbit Nuclear Power Plant (Yeonggwang)





No. 6 Reactor









The AMoRE Experiment

• Purpose – Check further on detector performance & backgrounds. Upgrades from Pilot

Add 7 more CMO(40Ca100MoO₄)crystals and 5 LMO(Li₂100MoO₄) crystals.

- 13 CMO(4.6 kg) + 5 LMO(1.6 kg) \rightarrow ~3 kg of ¹⁰⁰Mo
- Outer Pb shields 15 cm \rightarrow 20 cm to decrease rock gamma backgrounds.
- Add more neutron shields (boric acid+PE+b.PE)
- MMC sensor upgrade (AuEr \rightarrow AgEr)
- Capton PCB
- SS screws \rightarrow Copper or Brass screws.
- Light Detector wafers are hard glued to holder.

- High Debye temperature:







AMoRE-I



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- 1. Access Tunnel, 782 m long with 12% down slope
- 2. Underground Lab. with 2600 m²
- 3. Person Cage, running vertical 587 m
- Ground Office with 2500 m² 4.



Yemilab







Ground office

Other international activities

Meet at University São Paulo

UCLA DM Conf.



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Fermilab Plastic R&D











Neutron Measurement at KRISS



Phoswich Detector R&D





High Purity Germanium Detectors



R&D Activities

Peltier Effect

Cryogenic Detectors





SiPM-Liquid/Plastic Scintillator R&D





Presentations and Posters

- Publications (12 = 6 COSINE + 5 DUNE + 1 NEON), Under review (1 CAU), Draft (1 CAU + 1 COSINE)
- TAUP 2023, KREONET 2023, IceCube CM, Seminars (3)
- Korean Physical Society Meeting : Spring (2 orals + 2 posters), Fall (1 oral +2 posters)
- CAU BK21+ Workshop (2), Collaboration meetings (4)
- Schools (2), Journal Clubs (2)
- CAU-BSM, PPC2023, K-V, NuFact2023, KPS-DPF, KPS-Spring, KPS-Fall
- Awards (1)



- Jinyoung became Masters in Jan. 2023 and Yujin will become Masters next Month.
- COSINE & NEON pass 0.5 keV threshold barrier with Machines (BDT, NBC, and so on)
- SiPM cable extension verified.
- IceCube full membership.

Milestones











COSINE-100 Experiment

Fast Neutron Analysis

Jinyoung Kim

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Searching for WIMPs **COSINE-100** Experiment

- ~50 collaborators in 17 institutes
- Aims to confirm/refute DAMA/LIBRA, using the same target material (Nal(TI) Crystal) ullet



COSINE-100 Finished!

- Stable runs from Sep 30th, 2016 to Mar. 14th, 2023
- Now preparing COSINE-100 Upgrade





NMD Neutron Monitoring Detector

- Because neutron events can mimic WIMPs behavior.
- Monitoring environmental neutrons as well as muon induced neutrons is necessary
- NMD to monitor the environmental neutrons are installed outside the shielding
- We have ~4 year data (Oct 2018 ~ Mar 2023)



Because neutron events can mimic WIMPs signal, it is important to check environment neutron

l as muon induced neutrons is necessary ons are installed outside the shielding 23)

Fast Neutron Detector

- Ultima GoldF (5.52kg)
- Teflon(400mm x Ø 130mm) having 15mm thickness
- Acrylic Window
- 5" Hamamatsu PMTs

@KRISS Neutron Calibration Data

Detector Set-up



Neutron Selection using Qtail/Qtot parameter







Time

Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) Machine Learning Using the Calibration Data





Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) Applying the Machine on Physics Data

Cf-252 Calibration Data @KR/SS



Decide cut "BDT > 0.2" for γ rejection

Figure of Merit (F.O.M) $2.6\sigma \rightarrow 10.4\sigma$

Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) Applying the Machine on Physics Data





Physics Data @Y2L



After BDT Cut Neutron Data Energy Distribution & Event Rates





Plan

- Efficiency correction on event rate histogram ●
- Searching for the neutron modulation in our data



Summary

- Neutron events can mimic WIMPs signal, so we have installed NMD
- Discrimination of γ from n^0 was tested by using AmBe calibration data at KRISS
- After using BDT, we can distinguish neutron data with FOM >> 5σ
- After BDT cut as γ rejection, data below 1.2 MeV was rejected because it is α -dominant range
- After efficiency correction, we're going to search for the neutron modulation in our data

2023 Research Summary

Yujin Lee

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Violation of the Pauli Exclusion Principle (PEPV) The forbidden electron transition in lodine atom in Nal(Tl) crystals

Violation of the Pauli Exclusion Principle (PEPV) The PEPV Lifetime and strength

Experiment	Target	δ_e^{2*}	C.L.	yea
Ramberg-Snow	Copper	$< 1.7 \times 10^{-26}$	95%	1989
VIP	Copper	$< 4.7 \times 10^{-29}$	95%	2009
VIP-2	Copper	$< 4.3 \times 10^{-30}$	95%	2022
S.R. Elliott et al.	Lead	$< 2.6 \times 10^{-39}$	99.7%	2012
DAMA	Nal (Tl)	$< 1.28 \times 10^{-47}$	90%	2009
- MAJORANA	HPGe	$< 1.0 \times 10^{-48}$	90%	2023

Pulse Shape Discrimination of Organic Scintillations Phoswich detector with the plastic and liquid scintillators

- Machine learning algorithm such as Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) can be used for classifying them

Pulse Shape Discrimination of Organic Scintillations Phoswich detector with the plastic and liquid scintillators

Summary

Violation of the Pauli Exclusion Principle (PEPV)

- ●
- ulletfitting
- Evidence of this phenomenon was not found \bullet
 - A limit on the PEPV lifetime $\tau_{PEPV} > 1.15 \times 10^{23}$ yr at 90% C.L. •
 - $\delta_e^2 < 1.65 \times 10^{-47}$ and $r_0 < 2.55 \times 10^{-18}$ cm at 90% C.L.
- We plan to continue further studies using the final data set and unused crystals •

Phoswich Detector

- with **BDT**
- ullet
- \bullet **DIN-based LS are planned**

We explored the 32 keV PEP-forbidden electron transition in the iodine atoms of the NaI(TI) crystal The Gaussian signal model, 45 background models, 5 kinds of systematics each crystal were used for

A phoswich detector using plastic and liquid scintillators, distinguishing these two kinds of signals

The separation power reaches up to 3.02 σ with eight BDT variables, including likelihood parameter The purification of LS to enhance the light attenuation length and gamma/neutron separation using

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About NEON Experiment

Site : Hanbit Nuclear Power Plant Unit 6 Tendon gallery Reactor power : 2.815 *GW*_{th} Neutrino($\overline{\nu}_e$) flux at NEON site :7.1 × 10¹² cm⁻²s⁻¹ **Detector : Nal(Tl) Crystals, 16.7 kg (Phase-2)**

- Measuring Coherent elastic neutrino-nucleous scattering (CEvNS) has not been achieved by reactor neutrino source & Nal(Tl) crystal.
- Neutrino elastic scattering observation with Nal (NEON) is an experiment that aims to observe CEvNS using reactor antineutrinos.
- **Neutrinos** are produced in **beta decays** of fission fragments.
- Single flavor (\bar{v}_e , electron anti-neutrino)
- High flux : $10^{12} \sim 10^{13} v/cm^2 s$
- $E_{\nu} < 10 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow \text{fully coherent}$ regime
- Clean in background, active and passive shielding
- **Recoil energy** is less than few keV.

[differential cross section]

$$\left| \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \cong \frac{G_F^2}{2\pi} M \left[2 - \frac{MT}{E^2} \right] \frac{Q_W^2}{4} F^2(Q) \to \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \propto \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{M^2}{2\pi} M \left[2 - \frac{MT}{E^2} \right] \frac{Q_W^2}{4} F^2(Q) \to \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \propto \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{M^2}{2\pi} \frac$$

 G_F : Fermi constant *T*: nuclear recoil *M*: mass of nucleus Q = momentum transfer Q_W^2) ~ N^2 : weak nuclear charge $Q_W = (1 - 4sin^2\theta_W)Z - N)$ $F^2(Q)$: Form factor (F = 1, full coherence)

NEON data acquisition(daq) monitoring

DAQ event rate monitoring

Date

RAW data pedestal RMS monitoring

Variable Development for PMT noise

One of the variables currently under development

physics events waveform

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Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) Training for PMT noise

Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) Training for PMT noise

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Summary

- Neutrino elastic scattering observation with Nal (NEON) is an experiment that aims to lacksquareobserve CEvNS using reactor antineutrinos.
- We have been collecting data since April 11, 2022. Currently, we have 399 days of reactor-on data and 144 days of reactor-off data.
- We are creating several variables, and it's an ongoing process. •
- I've informally analyzed up to 0.3 keV using machine learning. Our next step involves lacksquareexploring avenues to improve efficiency.

Plan

- We plan to update the monitoring code to enhance our understanding of the detector. lacksquareWe are developing variables using the Naive Bayes classifier as well as other variables, lacksquarewith plans to apply them to machine learning or deep learning in the future.

Researches in 2023

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Development and testing the SQUID electronics

MCFLL[Multi Channel FLL] Operating 99 SQUID (for AMoRE-II)

Development and testing the heater pulse generation electronics

Previous one

For 12ch Pulse Generator

26th AMoRE Collaboration Meeting

Aug. 16-18. 2023.

New one

For 12ch Pulse Generator

Development of Detectors for measuring radioactivity (²²⁶Ra inside).

- The well-defined energies correspond to the following transitions with their respective Q-values: 4871 keV, 5590 keV, and 6115 keV for ${}^{226}Ra \rightarrow {}^{222}Rn \rightarrow {}^{218}Po \rightarrow {}^{214}Pb$, as well as 5407 keV for $^{210}Po \rightarrow ^{206}Pb.$
- The energy resolutions are 22 keV, 18 keV, 23 keV, and 25 keV at 4871 keV, 5407 keV, 5590 keV, and 6115 keV.
- The discrimination power of nearest two peaks are 14.7 calculated

$$DY DP = \frac{\mu_2 - \mu_1}{\sqrt{\sigma_2^2 - {\sigma_1}^2}}.$$

Development of Detectors for measuring radioactivity (only Au).

We have two kinds of data set : 1. With ²⁴¹Am's gamma (59.5[keV](35.9%)) and ¹⁴⁸Gd's alpha (3186[keV]) source [~4h] (for comparing **positive sig** and **negative sig**)

2. Only Gd source (without Am) [~24h] (for callibrating our region of interest [5-7 MeV])

• The electronics that we will use in AMoRE-II are tested.

- Radioactivity detectors are been developing well. [uBq].
 - Stay tuned!

Considering the results so far, it is possible to measure up to 50

Researches in 2023

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Mini-Candy

Candy : Chung-Ang university Neutrino Detection Yolk Water: Muon veto & background noise shielding **PMT : Event Energy reconstruction**

Mini-Candy

Mini-Candy LS Scintillation PMT charge

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Mini-Candy

Water effect

Summary

MC is a multi-detector using PMT, SiPM, water, and LS

- Checked water Cherenkov light
- Checked water shielding effect
- Checked water veto effect \bullet

Plan

- SiPM will be installed inside the detector \bullet
- We will do event positioning through SiPM •

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Seong Joon Won

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Left) HPGe Detector with Dewer

- Up) Yellow signal signal before passing through amplifier
 - Green signal signal after passing through amplifier

Model	Relative Efficiencv	Full Width Half Max (FWHM) Peak to Resolution (keV) Compton		Full Width Half Max (FWHM) Resolution (keV)		Peak Shape	Endcap diameter
Number	(%)≥	At 122 keV energy	At 1.3 MeV energy	Ratio (P/C)	FWTM/ FWHM	mm (in.)	
GC0518	5	0.825	1.8	32	1.90	76 (3.0)	
GC1018 GC1020	10 10	0.825 1.0	1.8 2.0	38 34	1.90 2.00	76 (3.0) 76 (3.0)	
GC1518 GC1520	15 15	0.825 1.0	1.8 2.0	44 40	1.90 2.00	76 (3.0) 76 (3.0)	
GC2018	20	0.850	1.8	50	1.90	76 (3.0)	
GC2020	20	1.10	2.0	46	2.00	76 (3.0)	

Resolution calculate with FWHM = 0.000588

-0

Resolution calculate after Rebin : Resolution is improved

	rqc[0]	fmax[0]
Resolution	0.00237	0.00098

X c1

Difference between fmax value and pedestal value after Rebin

- lacksquare
- There is a significant difference in fmax values other than pedestal lacksquare
- The difference in fmax can be seen as a problem with the value itself measured by the lacksquaremachine, so it can be said to be the best resolution currently measurable

Events near the 1.3MeV peak(Blue) and away from the peak(Red) were compared

Summary

HPGe Detector Resolution calculate

- Try to calculate Resolution with rqc,fmax
- After Rebin, 0.0009 is best resolution ullet
- ulletcrystal
- It will be useful for future experiment •

The difference from the manual value is assumed to be due to the dead layer of the

2023 Researches

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Muon selection criteria & Height, length relation Korean topographic tomography using a muon detect

Detector Efficiency

Interval2(Inje IC to West Yangyang)

Interval3(Ground Office to Y2L)

Test Development of a compact, portable muon detector for landscaping

Making Development of a compact, portable muon detector for landscaping

SPE

Pedestal rms

	Nopeb	Peb1	Peb2
Mean	5.725	6.743	5.
RMS	6.614	6.453	6.

Peb1	Peb2
0.522	0.499
334.2	334.9

Summary

Korean topographic tomography using a muon detector

- Topography was scanned and reconstructed with high precision(about 50 tunnels).
- Minimum of 2meters for height, and minimum of 34meters for length was achieved.

Development of a compact, portable muon detector for landscaping

- Light efficiency of guiding structure is not better than direct attaching \rightarrow Guiding structure will not use.
- There are no additional noise when Using thin wire.
- For compact detector, Devices located between two PS case.

Extended base2

- Background is generated in the base. When the base is extended, it can be reduced.
- 'Gain', 'light yield' and 'Event by event Pedestal fluctuations' are stable!
- Pedestal fluctuations within events are stable when using PEB2 \rightarrow There are no additional noise(PEB2).

• Noise is occurred more because Gain is greater than before. -> Previous resistance values is applied on new board.

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The AMoRE Experiment [Advanced Mo-based Rare process Experiment] AMORE / SQUID TEST

The purpose of this experiment is to analyze neutrinoless double beta decay (0vßß) of ¹⁰⁰Mo, by using cryogenic particle detector ith highly purified molybdate crystals

Fig. 2. The AMoRE module design with a picture of a light sensor used for simultaneous heat and light detection. This design is for a scintillating crystal in 5 cm diameter and 5 cm height.

SQUID performance test

The AMoRE Experiment Attenuation length Common function develop

Research in Physics (required major course) A study on performance about particle detector using Peltier Module

1. SiPM performance improvement

Research in Physics (required major course) A study on performance about particle detector using Peltier Module

2. Willson's Cloud Chamber

Cloud chamber experiment

Alpha particle detection

Beta particle detection

2023 Research Results Summary

Attenuation length Common function develop

- \bullet erial.
- \bullet (chi-square, maximum likelihood)

A study on performance about particle detector using Peltier Module

- \bullet performance of SiPM
- it can be applied to other studies (Noise can occur in any signal) \bullet

We can get total attenuation length by importing the calculation code with the list of attenuation coefficient of mat

For the further study, we are making the common code to fit several type of gragh with fitting model and methods.

Peltier Module can reduce the noise of sensor signal by lowering the temperature of sensor which can improve the