



Search for Solar B8 Neutrinos with XENON1T

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S1

GXe

LXe

particle

 γ, β

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- Energy from S1 and S2 area
 - Recoil type discrimination from ratio of charge (S2) to light (S1)



Development of XENON Program

XENON10 XENON100 XENON1T XENONnT



2005-20072008-20162012-20182019-202x25 kg - 15cm drift161 kg - 30 cm drift3.2 ton - 1 m drift8.6 ton - 1.5 m drift~10-43 cm2~10-45 cm2~10-47 cm2~10-48 cm2

Gran Sasso: The XENON1T Shield



What do We Search in XENON1T?



Dark Matter Search Results - 2018

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Constrains on Dark Matter



Neutrino sources: Solar neutrinos, atmospherical neutrinos, supernova





How far are We from the Neutrino Floor?

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XENON1T WIMP search analysis has low detection efficiency 0.01%

Can we increase the detection efficiency?



How XENON1T Detect Solar B8 Neutrinos?



Ionization Yields for Nuclear Recoils



compared with other factors

Lower the Energy Threshold: S2-only



Have we Detected B8 CEvNS?



S2 [PE]

3000

Scintillation Yields for Nuclear Recoils



A large uncertainty bands is used, which can accommodate the measurements

Search for CEvNS with both S1 and S2?

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arXiv:2012.02846

Can we increase the detection efficiency to ~1%? o(5) CEvNS

S2 threshold: S2 > 200 120PE

S1 threshold: Three Two PMTs seeing light within 50ns

Additional cuts not optimized for CEvNS-



How does Background Change?



Unblinding of Validation Data

Data consistent with AC background (p > 0.05)



GoF Scores:

Continuous Axes: p = 0.33

Six HC + LHA bins: p = 0.95

НС	LHA	Expected	Observed
0	≥2	0.23	0
0	< 2	9.37	10
1	≥ 2	0.07	0
1	< 2	3.93	4
2	≥2	0.00	0
2	< 2	0.03	0
- 11-19	Total:	13.63	14

Unblinding of Science Data

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GoF Scores:

Continuous Axes: p = 0.72

Six HC + LHA bins: p = 0.64

arXiv:2012.02846

HC	LHA	BG	Signal	Observed
0	≥2	0.10	0.13	0
0	< 2	3.58	0.46	4
1	≥ 2	0.06	0.25	0
1	< 2	1.58	0.84	2
2	≥2	0.02	0.18	0
2	< 2	0.05	0.39	0
1.20	Total:	5.38	2.25	6

What can We Learn from XENON1T Data?



New constraints on light Dark Matter



How to Find More CEvNS?

Discovery potential scales with exposure at the XENON1T signal to background ratio. LZ, PandaX-4T and XENONnT all have significant discovery potential!





Increasing light and charge detection efficiency is critical (e.g. electron lifetime)

Precision of LXe response calibration is important to constrain the flux of solar neutrinos and other new physics (nonstandard interactions and dark matter)

What's Next? - XENONnT

- ~4 times larger fiducial mass
- ~1/6 background level
- Now: Under Commissioning!





XENONnT: Prospect on Supernova



R. Lang et al, PRD 94, 103009, 2006

XENON has a close collaboration with SNEWS-2.0, and will receive trigger from it.

XENON has sensitivity to single electrons, and can record most of CEvNS interactions from supernova

We'd like to provide a flavor blinded measurement of neutrino flux for the community



Summary

XENON1T is the most sensitive dark matter experiment to date

The XENON1T data is used to search for Coherent Elastic Scattering of Solar B8 neutrinos.

Future experiments such as PandaX4T, LZ and XENONnT have high discovery potential of Solar Neutrinos.

And we are prepared for a supernova too!

Thanks for your attention!



A XENON1T Waveform



Modeling Efficiency through Waveform Simulation



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Modeling the Detection Efficiencies

S1 efficiency is well validated

CEvNS will produce mostly 2 and rarely 3 photons. Our S1 ROI is defined by Photons (hits) instead of PE

S2 efficiency is well validated by Surface events, down to 80PE! Our CEvNS S2 threshold is 120PE.





AC Background Suppression: I

High energy events induce large AC background afterwards

- S1: higher rate of lone-hits (unclear why)
- S2: More single electron emissions
 - Suppressed by a position correlation cut





Reduce the impact of a high energy event, we define a cut on: $S2_{prev}/\Delta t_{prev}$

- S1: 65% reduction ->11.2 Hz
- S2: 1.0mHz, ~1/3 of XENON1T SR1
- Ensure no correlations of S1 and S2s

Reduced the exposure to 0.6 ton-year

AC Background Suppression: II

AC events has different distributions in spaces like: S2, S2 width, S2 Top/Total, depth (Z)

Gradient Boosted Decision Tree ensemble classifier for an optimal discrimination

GBDT significantly (~65%) reduced the AC background, while keeping ~85% of CEvNS

CEvNS rarely has S2s below 120PE: data with S2 below 120PE is used as a Control region

AC Background Suppression: III

Isolated S1s rarely contain >2 PE hits

 $\begin{array}{l} \mu_{DC} = 1.00 \pm 0.02 \\ \sigma_{DC} = 0.32 \pm 0.01 \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{l} \mu_1 = 0.94 \pm 0.02 \\ \sigma_1 = 0.32 \pm 0.01 \end{array}$ 50 100 $\chi^2 = 0.8$ $\mu_2 = 1.87 \pm 0.07$ $\sigma_2 = 0.45 \pm 0.05$ $R = (20.8 \pm 3.0)\%$ 40 80 $\chi^2 = 1.9$ Counts / bin 30 60 40 10 20 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 pulse area (phe) pulse area (phe)

LUX, PRD 101, 042001 (2020)

Signal S1s have a ~20% DPE probability per hit

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Two "Largest Hit Area" Bins

LHA < 2 PE; LHA \ge 2 PE

3.0 3.5

Isolated S1s are roughly evenly distributed across PMTs, and rarely contain three **PMTs**, Signal S1s are larger and prefer bottom PMTs

Three "Hit Category" Bins

- HC0: 2 Hits, 1+ in the top array Very AC-like
- HC1: 2 Hits, 0 in the top array

HC2: 3 Hits (anywhere)

- - More Signal-like
 - Very Signal-like

Constraints on the "Standard" Physics

Constraints on the solar B8 neutrino flux and the response of LXe to nuclear recoils

(Use Single-Valued Ly)

Yield data (LUX / Livermore)
+ XENON1T → Flux < 1.4e7 / cm² s
first independent constraint on solar B8
neutrino flux through CEvNS process

Flux (Borexino/SNO) + Qy (Livermore) + XENON1T → Ly < 8.5 ph / keV