STATUS OF THE LZ EXPERIMENT

Dual Phase Noble Liquid TPC

- Excellent 3D imaging capability
 - Z position from SI S2 timing
 - XY positions from S2 light pattern
- charge / light ratio
 => Signal vs Background discrimination





LZ Detector Overview



Xenon TPC

- 1.5 m diameter x 1.5 m height
- 7T active LXe (5.6T fiducial)
- 50 kV cathode HV
 - See talk by J.Watson! (April 19, H14, at 11:21am)
- 494x 3" PMTs
- Gas circulation @ 500 slpm (turnover full mass in 2.5 days)
- Instrumented Xe skin region, outside the field cage



PMT arrays

Hamamatsu R11410 (3")

- Top array: 252 PMTs
- Bottom array: 241 PMTs



Assembled TPC





Insertion into inner cryostat vessel



Transport of TPC Underground

October 2019



Expected backgrounds for 5.6 T fiducial - 1000 days



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Xe Procurement and Kr Removal

- I0 tonnes of Xe in hand
- Chromatography to separate Kr from Xe.
 - Demonstration of 0.06 ppt (g/g) in R&D at SLAC
 - Designed for 0.015 ppt (g/g)
- Production in progress
 - See talk from A.Ames! (April 20, R13, at 2:54pm)





Xenon "Skin" veto



- Detection of scattered gamma rays
- Optically segregated from TPC
- TPC top skin: 93 I" PMTs
- TPC bottom skin and lower dome: 38 2" PMTs



OD

PMT

water

Outer Detector

• Suppression of neutron-induced nuclear recoil rate \Rightarrow maximize fiducial volume.





- Segmented acrylic tanks
- 120 8" PMTs
- Liquid scintillator: Gd-loaded (0.1%)
 LAB (linear alkyl benzene)
- Total LAB mass: ~17 tonnes

See talk by B. Penning! (April 20, RI3, at 3:06 pm)



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Xe Circulation System & Cryogenics



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Current Status

- We have made significant progress in the assembly of the TPC and associated systems.
 - TPC complete, moved underground and currently at vacuum
 - + HV cathode connection installed
- Out of concern for the health of our scientists and staff members and to slow the spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus:
 - + We are following DOE, Berkeley Lab, and Sanford Lab protocols and guidelines in response to this situation
 - + We have secured the experiment in a safe and stable configuration
 - We await the reduction of risks associated with the virus and updated guidance from the DOE and the Laboratories to complete our assembly and advance to commissioning.



Projected Sensitivity (5.6 T exposure, 1000 live days)

Approaches coherent neutrino scattering background!



D.S. Akerib et al. (LZ collaboration) Phys. Rev. D 101, 052002 (2020)

Thank You!

LZ Collaboration: 36 Institutions: 250 scientists, engineers, and technical staff

- Black Hills State University
- Brandeis University
- Brookhaven National Laboratory
- Brown University
- Center for Underground Physics, Korea
- Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory
- Imperial College London
- LIP Coimbra, Portugal
- Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory
- Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
- Northwestern University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory
- South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
- South Dakota Science and Technology Authority
- STFC Rutherford Appleton Laboratory
- Texas A&M University
- University at Albany, SUNY
- University College London
- University of Alabama
- University of Bristol



LZ Collaboration meeting at Rutherford Appleton Laboratory, UK (January 2020)

- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Liverpool
- University of Maryland
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- University of Michigan
- University of Oxford
- University of Rochester
- University of Sheffield
- University of South Dakota
- University of Wisconsin Madison
- Yale University

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