





#### Assumptions for this talk: Dark Matter Exists. (At least some of) It is a WIMP.









## A Multimessenger Search



Galactic Center: High flux, astrophysical background. Dwarf Galaxies: Low flux, low/no background.

#### atmospheric background.



Many pathways, different backgrounds



# Antiprotons (p)











# Why Antideuterons?





 $\rightarrow$  No kinematic threshold.



## Why Antideuterons?



# GAPS - General Antiparticle Spectrometer

- \* Antinucleons provide an excellent window for dark matter searches.
- \* With an almost background free signal they provide a very "clean" window.
- However, existing techniques (rigidity based) have problems:
  - \* Energy threshold.
  - \* (Anti)proton suppression.
- \* Solution:
  - \* Exotic atom technique  $\rightarrow$  no background.
  - \* Antarctic balloon  $\rightarrow$  low energy threshold.





# Stopping Depth

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### Pion & Proton Production



Annihilation!  $\pi$ 's + p's + stuff



# Putting It All Together





Aramaki+15



## (It works in simulations too ...)

#### 60 MeV p̄ 4 pions produced



#### 120 MeV d 10 pions produced

#### antideuteron

 $blue = \overline{p}$   $green = \overline{d}$  white = pion yellow = electron purple = other

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# Predicted Sensitivity

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# Status Update

- \* NASA funding started 2017.
- \* Strong and welcome involvement from INFN joining GAPS.
- \* First flight austral summer 2020-21.
- \* Now the fun begins:
  - \* 1350 silicon detectors.
  - \* ~200 ToF paddles (~400 ends to read out).
  - \* Trigger & readout electronics.
  - \* Cooling.

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\* Mechanical design.

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- Process developed in partnership with Shimadzu Corp. (Japan).
- \* Readout ASIC designed by **INFN**

	High Gain	Low Gain	10 1 144 d
Timing Resolution	100 ns		
Energy Resolution	4 keV	10%	
Energy Range	20 - 80 keV	0.1 - 100 MeV	
Operating Temperature	< -40 °C		
Leakage Current	< 10 nA		

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# Time of Flight (ToF)

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#### Timing Resolution = $(T_A - T_B)/\sqrt{2}$

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## **Cooling System**

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## Cooling & Mechanical

With a low astrophysical background they have exciting potential for a clean signal.

Scheduled to fly in the austral summer of 2020-21 significant progress has been made.

Antinucleons provide a complementary channel for indirect dark matter searches.

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GAPS will search for low energy antinucleons and provide the best measurement to date of low energy p.

> The exotic atom technique increases signal purity over rigidity searches.

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### Pion Production

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#### Number of $\pi/p$ depend upon nucleon annihilating

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# X-Rays

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### dE/dX

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## Cosmic Rays - Primary Sources

# Cosmic Rays - Propagation

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- Boron-to-Carbon ratio,
- Radioactive isotopes,
- Diffuse radio & γ-rays

# H Leaky Box Model → need size of box and diffusion coefficient

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## Diffusion Coefficient

- \* Principle constraint comes from boron-to-carbon ratio ( $\propto H^2/D$ ).
- H has a strong impact upon relative strength of dark matter signal.
- Typically 3 bounding cases of H, D considered: MIN (H = 1 kpc), MED (4 kpc), MAX (15 kpc).
  - \* MIN is now largely excluded using positron data.

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## Solar Modulation

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## Cosmic Rays - Secondary Production

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## Why Antarctic Balloon?

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#### ToF

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#### Hamamatsu S13360–6050CS (LCT5-6050)

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#### PMT or SiPM?

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# Low Energy Antinucleons

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Rigidity  $\propto$  gyro radius

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### Coalescence Momentum

Fitting  $p_0$  to data on  $\overline{d}$  production

${f Herwig}++~({f tune}) {f CLEO},~{f ALEPH},$	ed) ZEUS
ALICE $(pp)$	
ZEUS $(e^-p)$	F—
ALEPH ( $Z$ deca	y)
ISR $(pp)$	
BaBaR $(e^+e^-)$	⊦
CLEO ( $\Upsilon$ decay	
	50 100
	Coalescence momen

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# pGAPS (2012)

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# Grasp

## anti-<sup>3</sup>He Sensitivity?

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### Primordial Black Holes

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