Calorimeter for BDX@LNF

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Detecting Accelerated Light Dark Matter



SCATTERING OF χ TROUGH A' EXCHANGE INSIDE THE DETECTOR -> DETECT THE RECOIL

χ - electron scattering

χ - nucleon scattering



Production of an high energy (~ GeV) recoil electron



Production of a low energy (~ MeV) recoil nucleon

Different signals depending		
on the scattering process		
+		
Low interaction probability		

BDX inner detector: concept design

Requirements

✓ Sensitivity to GeV electrons -> EM showers detection capability

✓ Sensitivity to MeV nucleons → Low energy thresholds

✓ Compact detector → <u>High density material</u>

ELECTROMAGNETIC CALORIMETER OF

SCINTILLATOR CRYSTALS

χ Beam



Easy-handling and very well known detection technology

Detector size for BDX@LNF

The front face dimensions depend on how large is the χ -beam at the entrance of the detector

Closely related to the kinematics governing the **X** production

Kinematics is strongly peaked forward: compact detector front face



Most of the produced χ cross entirely a <u>detector 2.2 m long with a 50x50 cm² front face</u>



MODULAR DETECTOR : POSSIBILITY TO OPTIMIZE ITS DIMENSIONS DEPENDING ON BEAM ENERGY / PARAMETER SPACE ($M_{A'}, M_{\varkappa}$) TO EXPLORE

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Radiation length	1.85 cm
Molière radius	3.8 cm
Density	4.53 g/cm^3
Light yield	$50,000 \gamma/\text{MeV}$
Light yield temp. coeff.	0.28%/°C
Peak emission λ_{max}	565 nm
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The detector length depends on the density of the scintillating material

The relatively high density of CsI results in a compact detector



- easier to find enough space to install the detector in the proper place
- easier to move the whole setup once in place (e.g. for off-axis measurements)
- more compact passive shielding
- smaller number of internal and external veto detectors (reduced complexity and costs)
- short detector: most of the χ will cross it entirely increasing the possibility of χ scattering processes

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One of the highest Light Yield among scintillating materials

 χ - nucleon scattering

CsI(Tl) has an high efficiency for converting ionization energy to light output : potential advantage for detecting recoil protons at low energies (~ MeV)



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Radiation length and Molière radius

EM showers produced in the χ -electron scattering are contained within a relatively small volume

Advantage: even if the shower is generated near the detector borders a significant fraction of its energy can be likely detected (most of the detector volume is "active")

χ - electron scattering



An upper limit case for LNF: shower produced by IGeV electron

Longitudinal dimension

Transverse dimension

maximum number of particles at ~ $6.5X_0$ (~ 12 cm) and most of the energy absorbed in ~ $15X_0$ (~ 28 cm)

90 % of the shower energy contained in I MR = <u>3.8 cm</u>

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A potential drawback related to time resolution

Continuous beam: the uncorrelated background reduction factor is dominated by the detector time resolution Beam structure Detector Time Res . σ $\uparrow \delta T \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \circ 0.1-0.2 \text{ ns}$

Continuous beam: detector time resolution is a mandatory requirement. $R\simeq \frac{\delta T}{3\sigma}<\simeq 100$

Not a problem for BDX@LNF !

Pulsed beam: detector time resolution is not critical, if smaller than the bunch length.

$$R = \frac{1}{f \cdot \delta} = 2 \cdot 10^5 \ @ 50 \, Hz, 100 \, ns$$



50 Hz @ 10 ns (LNF today) Background reduction factor = 2*10⁶

50 Hz @ 100 ns (possible upgrade) Background reduction factor = 2*10⁵

An array of thallium-doped cesium iodide CsI(Tl) crystals meets the needs of BDX@LNF

Other scintillating materials with comparable/better performances could be potential candidates however ...

ⓒ The CsI(TI) solution could allow to save ~ O(M€)

RE-USE PART OF THE BABAR ELECTROMAGNETIC CALORIMETER CRYSTALS

Preliminary contacts with the BaBar management for using the <u>820 Csl (Tl) crystals</u> from the Endcap

Yesterday one BaBar crystal has been shipped to us: it will be used during the cosmogenic background measurements at LNS-CT



Crystal shape and dimensions

Trapezoidal cross-section



Front face : 4.7 x 4.7 cm² Back face : 6 x 6 cm² Crystal length (from Endcap): 30.5 cm/16.5 X₀ (80 crystals) and <u>32.4 cm</u>/17.5 X₀







BDX@LNF: a possible layout



7 blocks ~ 2.2 m of <u>active</u> detector

Layout of the EMC for BDX@LNF ✓~800 BaBar crystals to make the detector ✓ Simple geometry: easy to assemble and simple mechanical supports ✓ Modular detector: change front face dimensions and length by easily rearranging crystals, e.g. 9x9 crystals (~40x40 cm²) - 10 blocks (~3.2 m)



Crystals already equipped with readout electronics

Crystals read out with silicon photodiodes matched to the spectrum of scintillation light

Signals from the diodes amplified and shaped by custom preamplifiers mounted at the rear of each crystal

The entire readout system enclosed by an aluminum frame electrically coupled to an aluminum foil wrapped around the crystal and thermally coupled to the support frame to dissipate the heat load from the preamplifier

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On-crystal readout

Photodiodes

S-2744-08 by Hamamatsu



PIN SILICON PHOTODIODES

- Photosensitive area 2 x 1 cm²
- 85% quantum efficiency at the peak light emission for CsI(TI) of 565 nm
- Operational voltage : 50 V
- Dark current and capacitance of 4 nA and 85 pF at 70 V
- Light yield crystal+diode 7300 γ/MeV (1.836 MeV ⁸⁸Y source 2μs gaussian shaping time)

Two identical photodiodes installed on each crystal: to achieve the required operational reliability for the inaccessible front-end readout components

Diodes glued to a transparent 1.2 mm thick polystyrene substrate that in turn is glued to the center of the rear face by an optical epoxy to maximize light transmission.

The surrounding area of the back face covered by a plastic plate coated with white reflective paint



Preamplifiers



CUSTOM AMPLIFIER INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

- Custom amplifier chips mounted on a printed circuit board which comprises also biasing resistors for the diodes and filters for the supply voltages
- Low-noise charge sensitive preamplifiers acting as band-pass filter to remove high- and low-frequency noise component
- Shaping time < I µsec
- Two independent signal channels (A and B) are instrumented for each crystal.
- A and B provide EACH amplification factors of x1 and x32



What else ?

Apart from crystals many other components of the experimental setup needed

- Mechanical structure for the whole setup: supports for crystals, internal shielding, veto detectors
- Cooling system
- If for some reasons we can't use the existing on-crystal readout we need to replace it with other solutions (e.g. SiPM)
- > Electronics after the preamps up to the front-end
- Internal and the external veto detectors + readout electronics

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Measurements with a BDX prototype @ LNS

A campaign of cosmogenic background measurements will start this year at LNS: test of BaBar and other crystals for backup solutions

- Quantify background rates vs energy thresholds
- Test of different veto solutions
- Measure of veto efficiencies
- Shielding optimization





Mechanical structure





for the external veto ...



Veto detectors

Internal veto: between the inner detector and lead shielding



Extruded plastic scintillator (paddles top and foils lateral) + Wave Length Shift fibers + single SiPM readout







Conclusions

Scintillator crystals represent a realistic solution for the calorimeter of BDX@LNF

- Compact detector
- EM shower detection
- Low energy thresholds

A concrete and convenient option is re-using CsI(TI) crystals from the dismissed BaBar calorimeter (preliminary contacts)

- CsI(TI) properties fit well the BDX@LNF needs
- O(800 crystals) to build the detector easy to assemble
- Crystals already equipped with readout electronics
- Minimized costs
- Minimized time-line: detector assembled and ready for measurements in O(1 year)

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BDX@LNF: a possible layout l

Layers of crystals arranged face-to-face



2 m of detection material = \sim 41 layers

TOT = 41 layers x 20 crystals = <u>820 crystals</u>



A potential advantage: χ particles cross a thicker volume of CsI in the middle of the EMC where their flux is maximum