

# 1-minute Colloquium Sep 26, 2019

# University of Hawaii at Manoa Physics & Astronomy Department



# WATCHMAN (WATer CHerenkov Monitor for ANtineutrinos)

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- ~1kt fiducial volume
- ~3600 PMT's
- Using rat-pac for detector simulations:
- ✓IBD events
- Backgrounds (muons, radioactivity, etc.)
- Supernova IBD's
- Looking for more grad students
- Photo courtesy of Morgan Askins via the SAS Workshop: 30 June – 3 July, 2019 at LLNL.



Simulated Cherenkov Light Cone from Inverse Beta Decay

# **Data Acquisition for WATCHMAN Project**

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## IDLAB HAWAII

**TARGETC.** Multichannel **1 GSPS ADC** developed by **IDLAB** at Astronomy and Physics Department, UH-MANOA.





# Jose Duron – IDLAB Readout Electronics for WATCHMAN Cherenkov Anti-Neutrino Detector

Electronics Design
 -Simulation/Schematics
 -PCB Layout
 -Assembly/Testing



Assembly/lesting Firmware (FPGA) Software

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# NuLat: A Compact, Segmented, Mobile Anti-neutrino Detector

Presented by Ryan Dorrill for the NuLat Collaboration: www.phys.hawaii.edu/~nulat/ dorrill@hawaii.edu

## Key Features:

- Lithiated plastic scintillator(2.5" cubes) for strong neutron capture signals
- Fast-timing electronics and readout developed at UH and tested with miniTimeCube
- The segmented design aids in event localization and reconstruction and was proven by LENS
- Relative small size and portability compared to conventional neutrino detectors (Super-K is > 50,000 tons)
- Pulse shape discrimination helps reject background signals (cosmic muons, gammas, etc)













# **Instrumentation Development LAB**

Application Specific Integrated Circuit Design (ASIC)Ehsan Yavariehsan@Hawaii.edu





First transistor Bell Labs, 1948

# First IC, Texas Instruments 1958

Samsung's (1 TB) flash memory chip, 2T transistors, 2019

ASIC Design (Target X) IDL lab









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#### **Department of Physics & Astronomy**

Instrumentation Development Lab (IDL)

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## **Application Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC)**

## IC dedicated for one specific application ASIC Examples





Machine Learning (Google TPU) Bitcoin Miner (Samsung)

Readout Chip (LHC @ CERN)

## ID Lab ASIC Chips: ASoC, AARDVARC

- Data acquisition
- Particle detection and tracking applications
- Waveform sampling, self-calibration, signal processing

## **Delay Line**

- Control clock signal
- Deterministic delay





# THE <u>Q-PIX</u> INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

- A PIXELATED READOUT FOR CRYOGENIC TIME PROJECTION CHAMBERS (DUNE FAR DETECTOR)
- Wires  $\rightarrow$  Pixels for high fidelity record of each event.
- ... BUT THAT'S A HUGE NUMBER OF CHANNELS (10<sup>8</sup>)! HOW DO WE KEEP POWER/COMPLEXITY TRACTABLE?
  - READ TIME PER CHARGE INSTEAD OF FULL WAVEFORM.
  - ALL Q-PIX ICS OPERATE INDEPENDENTLY AVOID POWER DRAW FROM DISTRIBUTED CLOCK NETWORKS.
  - ASICS FORM A SELF-ASSEMBLING NETWORK TO RELAY DATA BACK TO CENTRAL SYSTEM.
  - NETWORK IS ALSO SELF-REPAIRING!
  - DIGITAL DESIGN STUDIES JUST STARTING NOW...

## LOOKING FOR GRADUATE STUDENT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DIGITAL DESIGN!

CONTACT: KURTIS NISHIMURA (KURTISN@PHYS.HAWAII.EDU)





# SoC & Challenges

- HW/SW Co-design
- Mix signal integration
- High density & low power
- Yield & Productivity

## **Q-Pix collaboration**

- Kiloton scale LarTPC
- Pixel based readout
- Hundred million channels
- Electronic principle of least action



# Instrumentation Development LAB

ASIC Design - Application Specific Integrated Circuit Gang Liu : liugang@hawaii.edu





# TCAD Detector Simulations at UH

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- Technology CAD software are used to simulate the silicon detectors electrostatic and transient response.
- Radiation damage resistant detector design and semiconductor detectors with onboard amplification and other readout electronics are of particular interest.
- Currently charge collection and radiation damage simulations for the X-ray monitor at KEK is underway here at the UH.

## **Resources in Hawaii:**

- A multi-use academic license **SYNOPSYS**<sup>\*</sup> software suite is purchased by IDLAB.
- TCAD software can be installed and run from the HPC.



# Noha Mohammed noha@hawaii.edu

MSc student in Electrical Engineering, UH Manoa

Radio-Frequency Application-Specific Integrated Circuits (RF ASIC) Design for Particle Collider Experiment chips, Belle II KEK, Japan, in collaboration with Nalu Scientific company.











Travel around the world! Particle accelerators! High voltage! Radioactivity! Lasers! Rockets! working on it

Join our group!



# $K_L^0$ and Muon Detector (KLM)

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Scintillator Strip Detector



Aushev, T. et al. "A Scintillator Based Endcap KL and Muon Detector for the Belle II Experiment." Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research Section A: Accelerators, Spectrometers, Detectors and Associated Equipment 789 (2015): 134–142. Crossref. Web.



K0 L identification studies for Belle II | Jo-Frederik Krohn

# Search for $B^+ \to K^+ \tau^+ \tau^-$ @ Belle

- § Chris Ketter § 26 September 2019 § cketter@hawaii.edu §
- Flavor-changing neutral current (forbidden at tree level)
- Involves W<sup>+</sup>W<sup>-</sup> box diagrams or electroweak penguin diagrams
- Third in the family B<sup>+</sup> → K<sup>+</sup> ℓ<sup>+</sup> ℓ<sup>-</sup>
   which has shown SM tension
- R<sub>K</sub> anomaly in tau mode may reveal more SM tension







- Heavy τ mass provides larger couplings to new particles
- SM branching fraction prediction is 1-2 x 10<sup>-7</sup> (but any non-SM couplings would enlarge actual branching fraction)

 Belle recorded 772×10<sup>6</sup> BB pairs, so should have several dozen, but tau reconstruction is hard

## **Discovery Flavor Physics at Belle II**

- <u>b→sl+l</u> is a FCNC SM process forbidden at tree-level which proceeds via one-loop radiative and electroweak penguin diagrams, as well as through W<sup>+</sup>W<sup>-</sup> box diagrams. These SM processes are both theoretically and experimentally clean.
- Since BSM particles can enter the diagrams at the same order as SM processes, <u>these</u> <u>transitions are ideal for new physics</u> <u>searches</u>.
- <u>Belle II</u> is an ideal environment for studying these processes, with excellent charged hadron ID (<u>UH lead</u>), charged lepton ID, precision photon reconstruction, and excellent charged particle tracking and vertexing.

SuperKEKB/Belle II Luminosity Profile





- Three families of  $b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$  Belle II analyses:
  - <u>Exclusive modes</u>, B->K(\*)l<sup>+</sup>l<sup>-</sup> (e/mu, ~1-10 ab<sup>-1</sup>)
  - <u>Semi-inclusive</u>, B->X<sub>s</sub>l<sup>+</sup>l<sup>-</sup> (e/mu, ~1-10 ab<sup>-1</sup>)
  - <u>Fully inclusive</u>, tagged B->Xl<sup>+</sup>l<sup>-</sup> (e/mu, >10 ab<sup>-1</sup>)
- Rate and angular observables to be <u>differen-</u> <u>tially measured</u> in bins of di-lepton mass<sup>2</sup>.
- B->J/psi + X dataset provides comparatively <u>huge data control samples</u> in precisely the same final states as b→sl+l- penguin decays.



## Cosmic-ray Antinuclei

- Measurement of cosmic-ray antinuclei is a promising way to search for "new" physics
- Detection of cosmic-ray antinuclei is experimentally challenging

   → multiple experiments needed
  - AMS-02 on the ISS since 2011
  - GAPS first balloon flight in 2021
- cross section measurements needed to improve understanding of antinuclei production: NA61/SHINE



Ground-based measurements with NA61/SHINE





GAPS from Antarctica



P. von Doetinchem

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## **P. von Doetinchem Associate Professor**

# **Search for Cosmic Ray Antinuclei**

**Indirect detection of Dark Matter** 

## **Data analysis from AMS experiment**

Antinuclei identification using TOF/RICH (β) and Tracker/Magnet (R, Z)

# **Modeling antinuclei production**

Nucleon collisions experiments and coalescence model.





D. Gomez-Coral et al., PHYS REV D 98, 023012 (2018).



# Anirvan Shukla

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I am a graduate student, and I work with Philip on:

- Understanding the production of light nuclei in p-p collisions at the NA61 experiment at CERN.
- Simulating the production of light antiparticles in the interstellar medium, and their propagation through our galaxy.







## **Achim Stoessl**

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Postdoctoral researcher, GAPS experiment, Philip von Doetinchem



## GAPS experiment



GAPS - *General AntiParticle Spectrometer* Balloon experiment to study antimatter in cosmic rays

GAPS has two major detectors: Time of flight and Si(Li) tracker

Dark matter models predict hadronic antimatter from annihilations

## Personal work focused on:

Software development & coordination

Participation in analysis

Detector testing and calibration



Si(Li) detector



This year's effort: Build up a Si(Li) test/calibration facility at UH

# The General Anti-Particle Spectrometer (GAPS)

Cory Gerrity cgerrity@hawaii.edu Professor Philip von Doetinchem's group











#### Detector Mounted with Preamp



A Lab!



A Muon!

# AMS analysis & Space radiation modeling Claudio Corti – Postdoc (Prof. Bindi's group)





Heil/NASA

## **Dr. Bindi's Heliophysics Group SEPs and CMEs**

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## Solar Energetic Particle (SEP) event measured by AMS

## September 2017

- Most recent Ground Level Enhancement • (GLE) SEP event.
- X8.2 Flare at 16:06 on the 10<sup>th</sup> of Sept.
- Fast (2868 km/s) Halo CME associated with this event.



## **Coronal Mass Ejection (CME)** measured by Thule neutron monitor and multiple instruments from NASA satellites

## December 2006

- This CME caused a • significant Forbush decrease
- The event is visible here • during an otherwise relatively quiet period.





03:00

06:00

09:00

12:00

15:00

18:00

21:00

00:00 GMT Time

## Normalized Average FTZ for Unbiased Events

## Calculating the Geomagnetic Cutoff

Effective Cutoff





https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Timo\_Pitkaenen/pub lication/233742440/figure/fig1/AS:298554611519498@1448 192375014/Schematic-illustration-of-the-magnetospherein-the-noon-midnight-meridional-plane-drawn.png



https://i.stack.imgur.com/y45wc.jpg



D. J. Cooke, J. E. Humble, M. A. Shea, et al. On cosmic-ray cut-off terminology. *Il Nuovo Cimento C*, 14(3):213–234, May 1991. URL: https://doi.org/10.1007/BF02509357, doi:10.1007/BF02509357.

R. Bütikofer. Cosmic Ray Particle Transport in the Earth's Magnetosphere, pages 79–94. Springer International Publishing, Cham, 2018. URL: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-60051-2\_5, doi:10.1007/978-3-319-60051-2\_5.

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# The ANtarctic Impulsive Transient Antenna (ANITA)

Presented for the ANITA Collaboration by John Russell (jwruss@hawaii.edu) P.I. Peter Gorham

A balloon-borne antenna array which floats ~37 km above the Antarctic ice sheet, ANITA is designed to detect radio pulses produced either from within the ice through the Askaryan effect with UHE (10<sup>18</sup>-10<sup>23</sup> eV) neutrinos, or in the atmosphere by cosmic rays and then reflected off the ice.



# DarkSide 20k Victor Goicoechea Casanueva - victorgc@hawaii.edu

DARKSIDE

- Latest experiment of the DarkSide Project @ Gran Sasso, Italy
- Two phase Time Projection Chamber filled with liquid Argon for dark matter (WIMP) direct detection
- 20 ton of fiducial volume, projected sensibility in the order of 10<sup>-47</sup> cm<sup>2</sup> for WIMP mass of 1TeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Argon extracted from underground (Urania) and depleted for higher purity (Aria)
- Background free







Lateral view



# Precision Reactor Oscillation and Spectrum Experiment (PROSPECT)

- PROSPECT is a Neutrino Experiment at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL)
- Detector is a 11x14 grid of Lithium-loaded Liquid Scintillators
- PROSPECT seeks to explain the anomaly between predicted models of reactor neutrino flux and observations
- Maybe Sterile Neutrinos?
- I'm working on calibration measurements and modelling detector efficiency







# matter in the lab?

# **Can we produce dark Can we detect the dark** matter wind?





## Undergraduates wanted! Contact Sven Vahsen, sevahsen@hawaii.edu













# Beams collide and produce B-meson pairs:



## **Testing Quantum Mechanics at Belle** Jeff Schueler - Email *jschuel@hawaii.edu* PI: Sven Vahsen - Email *sevahsen@hawaii.edu*



When B-mesons are produced, mixing can occur, causing a  $B^0$  to turn into a  $\overline{B^0}$ and vice-versa.

Quantum mechanics predicts that the *flavor asymmetry* due to mixing depends on  $cos(\Delta m_d \Delta t)$ 

# WE CAN TEST THIS!





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# Beginning and End of the Bomb Exhibition

The role of nuclear weapons since 1945 and reducing the threat in the future.



Photo: Hiroshima and Nagasaki peace bells in Honolulu.

**SPRING 2020 EXHIBITION Monday, March 2 - Thursday, April 30 UH Mānoa, Hamilton Library**, Bridge Gallery

#### **FALL 2020 PARTIAL EXHIBITION Monday, August 3 - Friday, September 25 UH Mānoa, Hamilton Library,** Elevator Gallery

EXHIBITION HOURS Monday - Thursday: 8 AM - 10 PM Friday: 8 AM - 6 PM Saturday: 9 AM - 5 PM Sunday: 12 PM - 10 PM Closed on Holidays

#### **EXHIBIT STATEMENT**

The false alarm in Hawaii of an incoming missile on 13 January 2018 is a reminder of the threat posed by nuclear weapons. It is also a reminder that we all need to become better informed about the origins, history, and possible solutions to this existential threat. The goal of the "Beginning and End of the Bomb" exhibit is to illustrate the role of nuclear weapons since 1945 and to stimulate critical thinking about reducing the threat in the future.

This year is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the development and use of nuclear weapons during World War II. The exhibit originated in 1995 as "Fifty Years with the Bomb" to mark the 50th anniversary of the development and use of nuclear weapons during World War II. It included sections on the first nuclear test in New Mexico in July 1945, the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945, newspaper reports near war's end, and nuclear tests on the U.S. mainland, in the Pacific, and near Hawaii. The final section looked to the next fifty years and presented different perspectives. The current exhibit includes most of these materials plus some new features. In particular, it includes an interactive simulation of the effects of a nuclear explosion on Oahu. The partial exhibit in Fall 2020 will feature only newspaper front pages from August 1945 and documents highlighting recent developments.

While the "beginning" of the bomb is clear, the "end" is not. Efforts to bring about nuclear disarmament continue but so do modernizations of existing arsenals. Many important questions remain. Can this threat be ended? Will it continue indefinitely? Will nuclear weapons be used by countries or terrorists? What can people in Hawaii do? We hope this exhibit will be the catalyst for informed dialogue on these questions.

For more information, contact Matsunaga Institute for Peace at uhip@hawaii.edu.









BAL quasars and starburst quenching



## **Community Activities**

- Member: JWST Users Committee please come rant to me about anything JWST related
- Co-Chair: FIR Science Interest Group activities that promote the FIR community in the USA and beyond

Symmetries imply properties of different objects/various states are related.

We understand some symmetries (isospin, C or P as accidental symmetries of <u>some</u> interactions) and others (Lorentz and gauge invariance) as fundamental.

 $\star$  Local symmetries lead to dynamics (gravity, gauge interactions).

However, all <u>known</u> symmetries relate bosons to bosons and fermions to fermions. In the early 1970's <u>a novel symmetry relating bosons to fermions</u> was discovered (supersymmetry, or SUSY)....a new level of synthesis! Unfortunately, the known bosons and fermions are not related by SUSY.

Either (softly broken) SUSY is not realized, or there are as yet undiscovered SUSY partners of <u>all</u> known particles, with <u>predicted</u> spins and gauge interactions, but <u>unknown</u> masses. None have been found at the LHC.

The discovery of the Higgs boson accentuates the need for SUSY. I believe SUSY remains the best answer to key theoretical issues, and is phenomenologically perfectly viable. DoE, and some colleagues, do not agree.

 $\star$  Discovery of SUSY would be a paradigm shift in fundamental physics.



#### Quantum computing



Lattice models of classical and quantum field theories

#### Spin-2 Bose-Einstein condensate:

- Non-Abelian BEC superfluidity
- Spin-2 Fermi condensate model (mitigate BCH catastrophe by splitting kinetic and interaction operators into distinct subgroups)
- Energy functional of a *d*-wave superconductor (e.g. planar YBCO high-*T<sub>c</sub>* superconductor)
- Scattering of quantum vortices in a spin-2 superfluid:



#### Research goals:

- New quantum algorithms for gauge field theories developed for future scalable Feynman quantum computers and (with approximations) implemented on supercomputers today
  - Quantum entanglement in nonlinear many-fermion systems
  - Strongly-correlated fermionic matter with applications related to quantum simulation
    - topological quantum computing
    - ultracold quantum gases (spinor Bose-Einstein condensates and Fermi condensates)
    - non-Abelian superfluiduity and superconductivity in Fermi condensates
    - quark condensates in quantum chromodynamics
    - non-Abelian Higgs model

Superconductive quantum gravity:

 Approach: Fermionic gauge field theory that is dual to the Einstein-Hilbert Lagrangian can serve as a quantum computational model of quantum gravity

• Lagrangian: 
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{-g}\nabla^{\mu} \operatorname{Tr}[\phi_{\circ}g^{\alpha\beta}]\nabla_{\mu}\operatorname{Tr}[\phi_{\circ}g^{\gamma\delta}] + \sqrt{-g}\operatorname{RTr}[\phi_{\circ}g^{\alpha\beta}]$$
  
 $\mathcal{L}^{\text{dual}} = \sqrt{-g}\left[i\overline{\epsilon}\hat{g}^{\mu\nu}\gamma_{\mu}(\partial_{\nu} + i\epsilonA_{\nu}^{\phantom{\nu}a}\hat{\Upsilon}^{(1)}_{a})\varepsilon - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu a}F^{\mu\nu a}(\operatorname{Tr}[\phi_{\circ}g^{\alpha\beta}] - 2\phi_{\circ})\right]$ 

Estimate of the Higgs boson mass in arXiv:1907.13427 [gr-qc]



#### Quantum computing



Simulating spin-2 BECs

$$i \frac{\partial \psi_m(r)}{\partial t} = \left( -
abla^2 + g_0 \, |\psi(r)|^2 
ight) \psi_m(r) + g_1 \hat{m{F}} \cdot m{f} \psi_m(r) + g_2 \, |A_{00}|^2 \, \psi^*_{-m}(r), \, ext{for } m = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2$$



(a) The colormap used for the 3D quantum simulations

(b) Combinations of the paths *a*, *b*, *c* and *d* taken around the two linear quantum vortices A and *B* correspond to topological charges AB, BA,  $AB^{-1}$ ,  $A^{-1}B$ ,  $B^{-1}A$ ,  $A^{-1}B^{-1}$  and  $B^{-1}A^{-1}$ 



#### Quantum computing



Probing two-fermion Schrödinger dynamics with a quantum lattice gas



$$p = Tr(\hat{\rho}_r^2) = \sum_{x_i=0}^{L-1} \psi(x_1, x_2)\psi^*(x_3, x_2)\psi(x_3, x_4)\psi^*(x_1, x_4)$$
$$\mathcal{E} = 1 - 2p$$

# Nanophysics Klaus Sattler <u>sattler@hawaii.edu</u>

## **Production of novel Metastable Nanomaterials**

Ultralight Carbon Nanofoam Colloids of Carbon Micropearls



- Density: ~5% of graphite
- Composed of Micropearls
- 2D-3D Graphene Network
- Highly Porous on Nanoscale
- Very High Storage Capacity
- Fluid Dynamics in Nanochannels
- Colloidal Pearl Stability (by DLS)

## Methods used: SEM, TEM, HIM, XPS, Raman, FTIR, DLS

Collaborations with Japan, Germany and Switzerland. We are part of the UH Materials Science Consortium. <u>Many applications: NASA space missions, supercapacitors, hydrogen storage, cancer</u> <u>cell labeling, drug delivery to brain tumor cells, ...</u>

# David Rubin: (Mostly) SN Cosmology drubin@hawaii.edu

# Cosmology Surveys

- E.g., SUbaru Supernovae with *Hubble* Infrared, (SUSHI)
- Ground and Space-Based Observations







# SN Standardization and Cosmology Analyses

- Unified Nonlinear Inference for Type Ia cosmologY
- Twin SN Statistics
- Union Cosmology Analyses
- Blinded Analysis



# Calibration

- Photometry methods
- Calibration methods
- Flux scale





## **Optically-segmented Single-Volume Scatter Camera (SVSC)**



# SVSC Simulations

- Modeling Detector Efficiency Given:
  - Geometry Length, Width, Spacing, Source Position
  - Materials Scintillator, Reflective Coatings
- Determining Efficiency Metrics
  - Light Yield, Energy Deposition, Timing Resolution, Double Scatter Probability
- Testing Model Robustness
  - Comparison Between Experimental Lab Results and Simulation Predictions



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## **Neutron Time Camera Development Process:**



2 8x8 SiPM arrays & 2 DRS4s daisy chained



2 8x8 SiPM arrays & 1 IRS3D module

- WS1 Single bar & individual component characterization
- WS2 Multi-bar & crosstalk investigation
- WS3 Full array & system testing
- Open space Assembly, temp. staging, Tranloc testing

Andrew Druetzler adruetzl@hawaii.edu

2 SiPM eval. boards & 1 DRS4

## **SVSC Prototype Development in Solid Edge:**

## Current Prototype Design:

- 8x8 array
- Ultralytics Slow Ouput Card
- ON Semiconductor's J-Series silicon photomultiplier (SiPM) sensors

## New Prototype Design:

- 2x8 array
- Increased spacing between SIPMs
- 26 pin Digi-Key connectors
- SIPMs bonded onto the scintillator.



### Theory:

#### Anderson Localization:

- Wave-Interference effect
- Not wavelength dependent?





From: A. Mafi, Transverse Anderson localization of light: a tutorial review

General Material properties:

refraction

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Random array of two

Larger difference of index

different indices of

of refraction yields stronger localization

What is the Right Theory for Anderson Localization of Light? An Experimental Test

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS 120, 067401 (2018)

## Experiment:



Localizing Scintillator (LS) Example:

#### Sample Comparisons:

LS (50/50):







Pure Scintillator (PS) Example

#### PS array:



#### "Average Trigger Camera" Results For Cosmic Muon Tracks:







#### Kevin Keefe kevinpk@hawaii.edu

#### (Waveform analysis coming soon)

### 50

photons)

Identical isotropic

photon events.

(Green paths are

PS:



# Jason Kumar

- HEP theory group, jkumar@hawaii.edu
- I work on dark matter theory
- since the 1930's, astronomical evidence has suggested that most of the mass in the universe (~80%) is of a type different than found here
  - dark matter ... doesn't interact (much) with light
  - the idea I focus on -> it is a new particle

Sculptor, believed to be a dark matterdominated dwarf galaxy

- my work mostly focused on two prongs
  - developing new models for what dark matter could be
    - developing new ways of testing with experiments
- this field has great overlap between theory, experiment and observation, and between cosmology, particle physics and astrophysics