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Seminar Notice

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Title:	Two new avenues in dark matter indirect detection
Speaker:	Ranjan Laha, Kavli Institute for Particle Astrophysics and Cosmology, Stanford University and SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, USA
Date:	February 27, 2017 (Monday)
Time:	03:00 p.m.
Venue:	Theoretical Physics Seminar Room (R/No.-C406), 3rd Floor, Centenary Building, IACS
Abstract:	Indirect detection is one of the major ways to search for dark matter. However, backgrounds have been a major problem for these searches. In this talk, I will introduce two new techniques to distinguish signal from background. Firstly, I will show how telescopes with $\sim 0.1\%$ energy resolution can exploit the Doppler shift of sharp photon features arising from dark matter interactions and separate the signal from background. The technique is general and I will give an example of this search strategy with the 3.5 keV line. In the second half of my talk, I will show how limits from the searches for very high energy photons can be used to constrain dark matter interactions. Using this observable, I will constrain very heavy dark matter which is very difficult to constrain using other means.

All are cordially invited to attend the seminar