Underground physics

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Topics of discussion

- Underground laboratories
- Dark matter experiments
- Double beta decay searches

Glossary

- MSCA: Marie Sklodowska-Curie actions
- FETs: future and emerging technologies
- RI: research infrastructure
- ERC: European Research Council
- SMEs: Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises
- ESFRI: European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructure
- LEIT: Leadership in Enabling and Industrial Technologies
- 13: Integrated infrastructure (example, old ILIAS)
- PP: priority program

WIMP detectors, world wide



WIMP parameter space



Dark matter experiments with strong European involvement

- Bolometers:
 - ➡ current: CRESST, EDELWEISS
 - ➡ future: EURECA (proposal, CDR), discussions with SuperCDMS towards > 100 kg
- Noble liquids:
 - current: ArDM, DarkSide-50, XENON100, and XENON1T (in construction)
 - future: DarkSide5t (proposal), XENONnT (n=5-7, proposal), DARWIN (design study, funded by ASPERA)
- Room temperature crystals:
 - ➡ DAMA/LIBRA, ANAIS (in construction)
- Directional: R&D, large detector(s) (1 ton CF₄ at 50 torr for 1e-46 cm² ~ 16 x16 x16 m³) once there is a clear discovery
 - ➡ DMTPC, DRIFT, MiMAC

Double beta detectors, world wide



Double beta decay: isotopes and reach

Primary goal of searches: test the nature of neutrinos (Majorana vs. Dirac)

Could also deliver information on effective Majorana neutrino mass



Figures by A. Giuliani, Oct 2013

Double beta experiments with strong European involvements

- Crystals/calorimeters:
 - ➡ CUORE: ¹³⁰Te in TeO₂
 - ➡ GERDA: ⁷⁶Ge in HPGe (MoU with Majorana for larger, ≥ 100 kg, experiment), SILENT study funded by ASPERA
 - ➡ LUCIFER: ⁸²Se, in ZnSe -> ERC funding
 - ➡ LUMINEU: ¹⁰⁰Mo in ZnMoO₄
 - ➡ COBRA: ¹³⁰Te, ¹¹⁶Cd in CdZnTe
- Noble gases (tracker + calorimeter):
 - ➡ NEXT: ¹³⁶Xe HP gas -> ERC funding
- Think foil/tracker
 - ➡ SuperNEMO demo: ⁸²Se, or ¹⁵⁰Nd, or ⁴⁸Ca as thin foils
- Scintillator: SNO+: ¹³⁰Te loaded in scintillator; Borexino loaded with ¹³⁶Xe (?)

Some common issues in direct dark matter and double beta decay searches

- Low radioactivity tracing
- Materials of extreme radiopurity
- Photodetectors
- Cryogenic detectors, bolometers
- Underground infrastructures
- Gas/liquid purification techniques
- Enrichment/depletion processes

Questions we were asked to consider

1) Will we do a MSCA and of which type (ITN, COFUND, RISE) and which perimeter?

ITN underground lab; possibly ITN on dark matter, ITN on double beta decay

2) Can we propose a design study (for a "world class research infrastructure", INFRADEV 1-2014)?

Large noble liquid detector: but as a multi-purpose facility (dark matter, solar neutrinos, solar axions, double beta, other?) -> does it qualify as an ESFRI?

3) Is there a present/future ESFRI link?existing PP, implementation?

Underground lab proposal for 2016 roadmap

4) Can we propose an I3 beyond GW, UL

Dark matter/double beta decay synergies

5) Can we participate in an RI cluster?

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6) Can we bid to an e-infrastructure? (calls 1 and 9)

No

7) Can we apply for FETs, LEITs, societal challenge R&D?

Any ideas?

8) What are the global aspects of our research?

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9) What are the R&D themes that an ERANET+ could support?

Dark matter, double beta decay, synergies (our suggestions)

ITN UG lab proposal

- Deadline is April 2014
- 4 underground labs (Boulby, Canfranc, Gran Sasso, Modane)
 - + other full partners (proposals to be submitted to the lab directors + Ino)
 - ➡ + associate partners
 - + industrial partners
- Immediate actions:
 - ➡ invite colleagues to submit proposals
 - prepare document to send around to the community next week

Existing dark matter + neutrino ITN

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