Exploring the smallest things with the largest microscopes

Particle Physics: the Smallest to the Largest
Past 100 Years in Scientific Innovation and Outlook

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The Smallest Things play a crucial role to understand how the world works

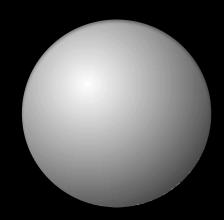
fundamental entities building blocks elementary particles

interactions among them their laws

Democritus's atom (400 BC)

Indivisible and Invisible





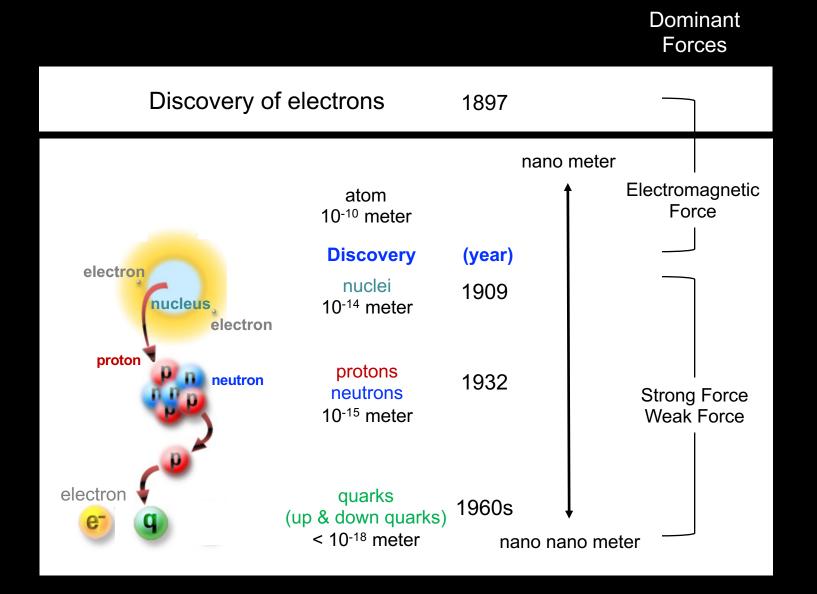
Democritus (460 BC – 370 BC, Greece)

The universe is composed of the atoms and the void

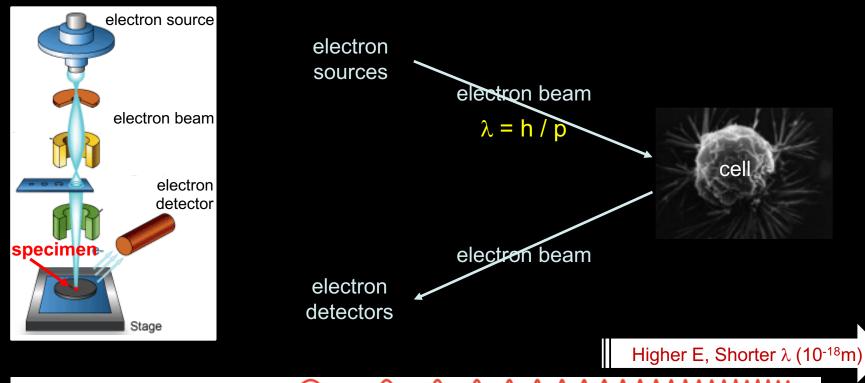
Atoms were thought to be building blocks of the world.

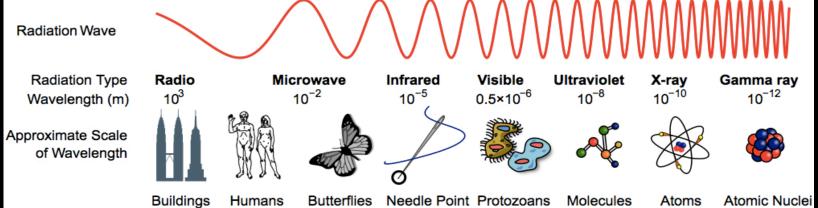
The conception of the atom has been modified in several essential respects, but the philosophy remains the foundation of modern science.

Building Blocks

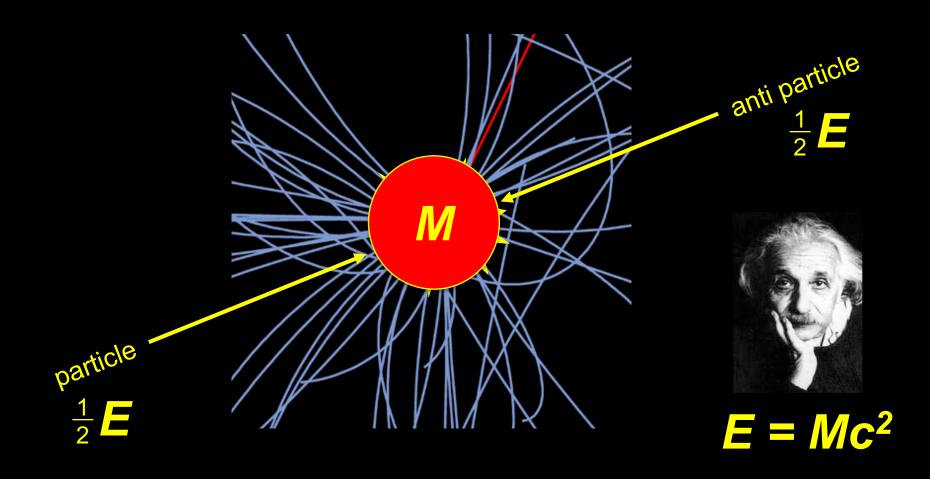


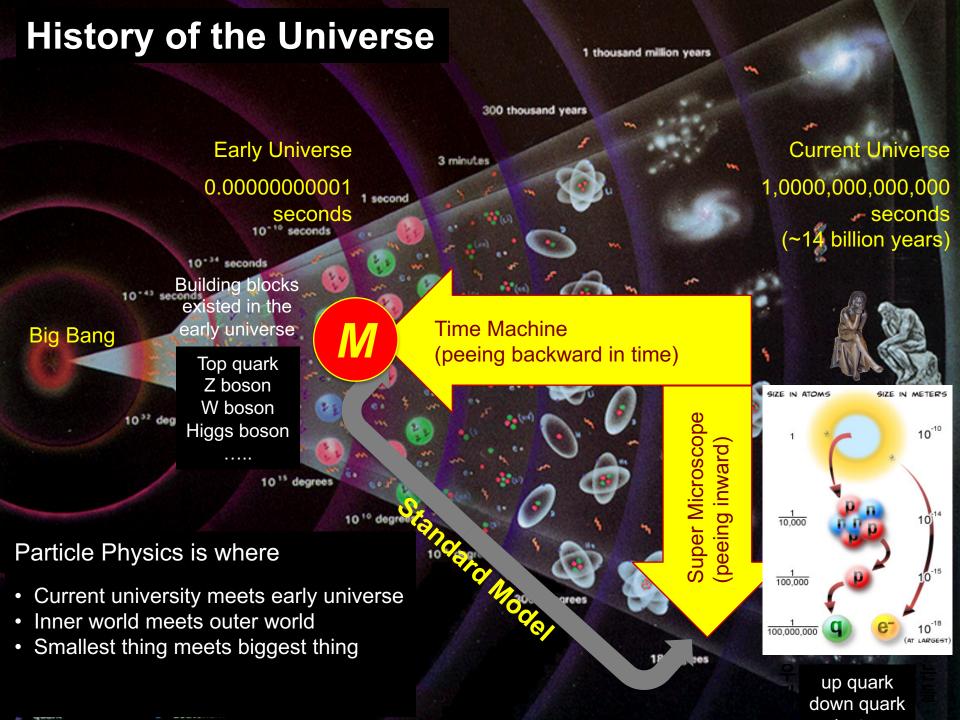
Seeing the "small" invisible by a "high" energy beam produced by particle accelerators ("super microscope")



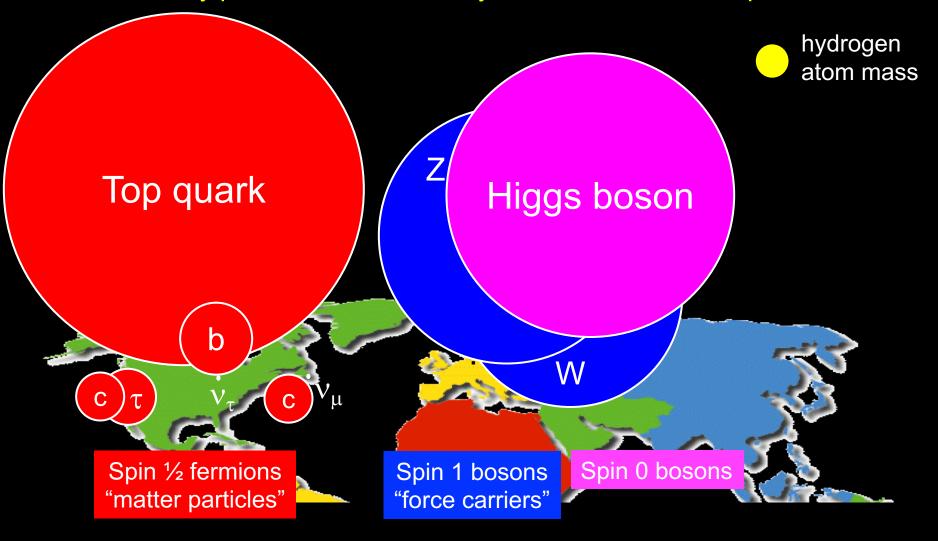


Producing particles last seen in the earliest moments of the universe with a high energy collider ("time machine")





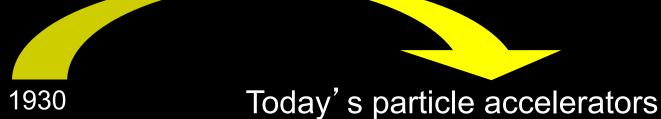
Elementary particles discovered by accelerator-based experiments

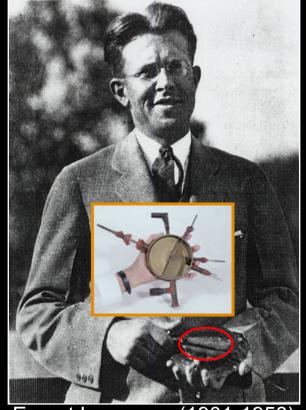


Particles are messengers: through them, we understand laws of nature

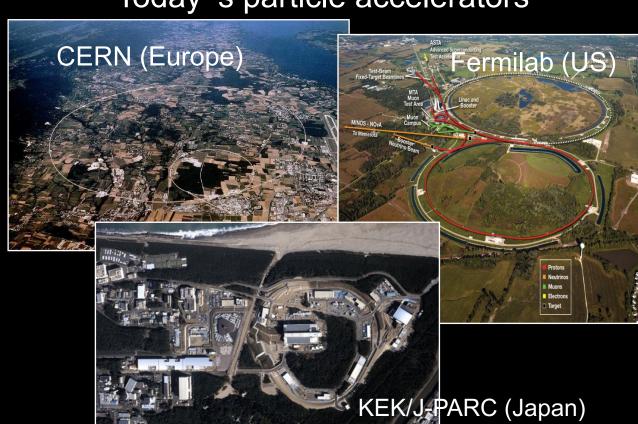
Discoveries made by their stories (non accelerator-based & accelerator based)

~100 Year History: Accelerators

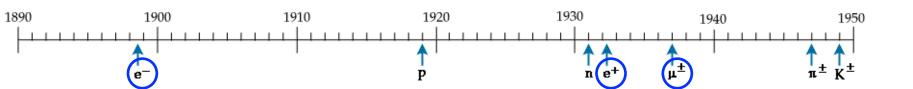


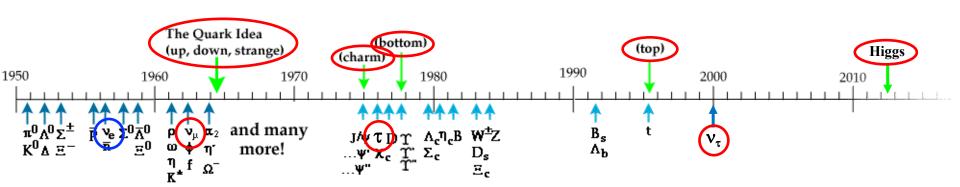


Ernest Lawrence (1901-1958)



Discovery of Particles





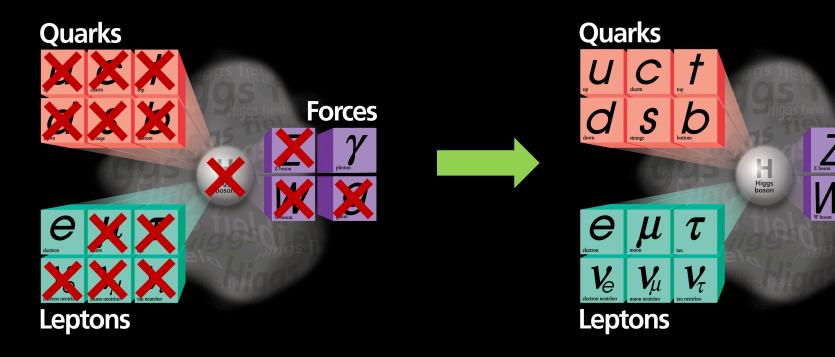
Global

Last 100 Years

1922

2022 Standard Model of Particle Physics

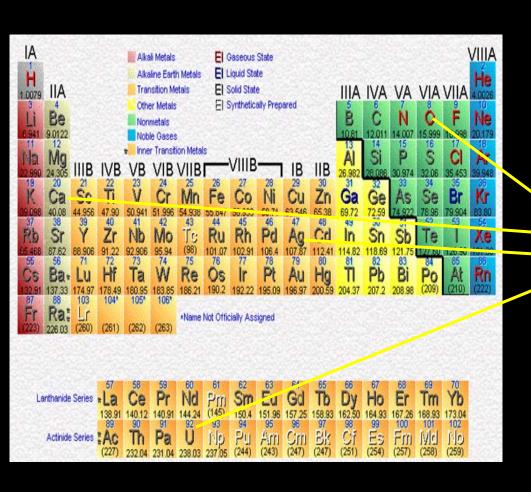
Forces



Remarkable Achievements!!

Accomplishment of the 19th Century

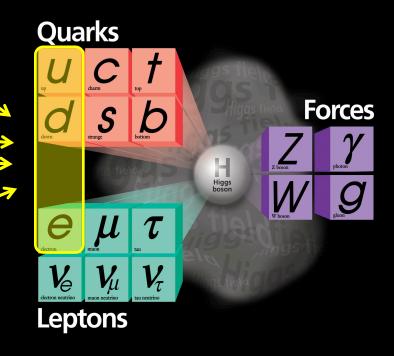
Periodic Table of Elements



Accomplishment of the 20th Century

Table of Elementary Particles

Standard Model

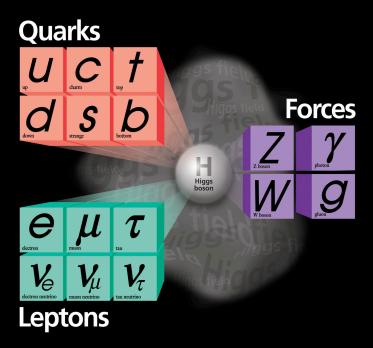


Remarkable Achievements!!

Standard Model & The Mysteries

Standard Model of Particle Physics Working beautifully!

Phenomena in nature that the Standard Model cannot explain.



Remarkable Achievements!!

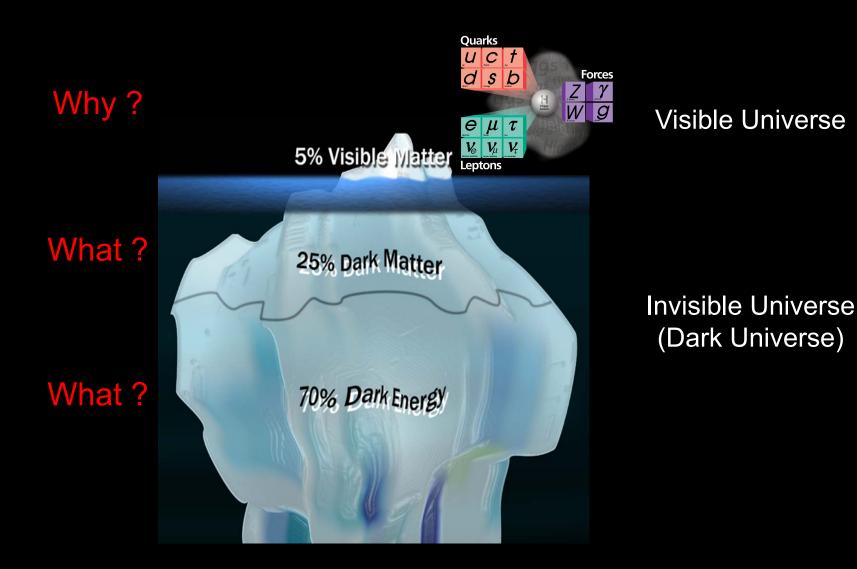
WHY?

- mass
- 6 quarks
- 3 families
- forces
- anti-matter
- neutrinos
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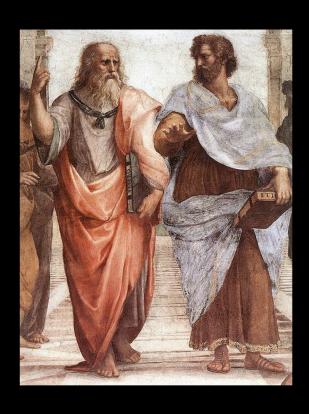
WHAT? • dark matter

dark energy

Standard Model & The Mysteries



"The more you know, the more you know you don't know."



Aristotle
Greek philosopher & scientist
(384 – 322 BC)

Intertwined Science Drivers in Particle Physics

Use the Higgs boson as a new tool for discovery

Pursue the physics with neutrinos

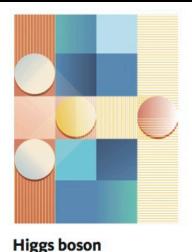
Identify the new physics of dark matter

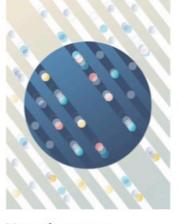
Understand cosmic acceleration (dark energy & inflation) and explore uncharted discovery space (gravitational waves)

Explore the unknown: new particles, interactions, phys. principles

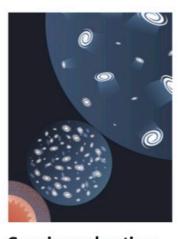














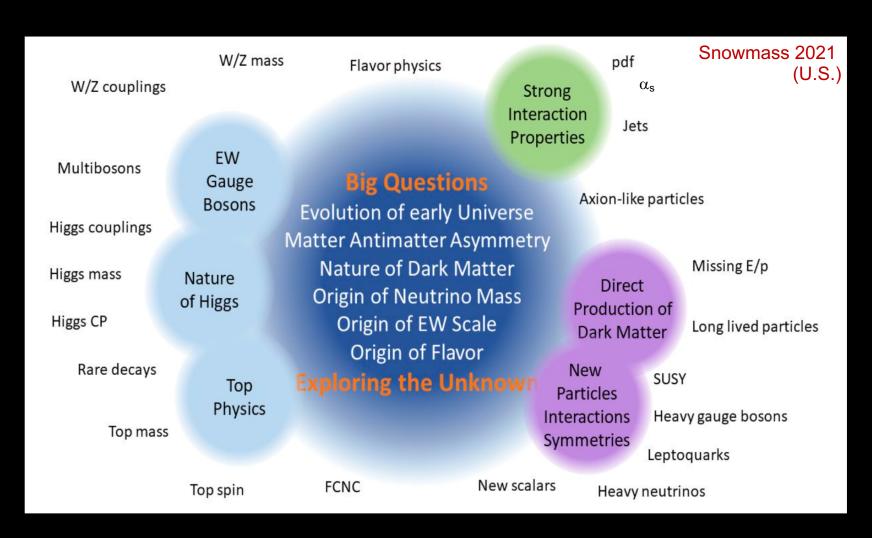
Neutrino mass

Dark matter

Cosmic acceleration

Energy Frontier

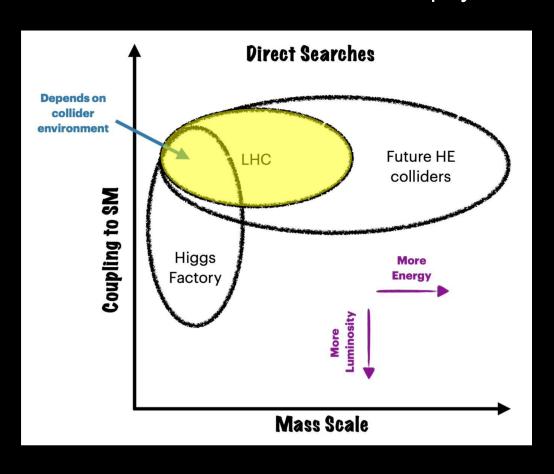
Explore the TeV energy scale and beyond through the breadth and multitude of collider physics signatures



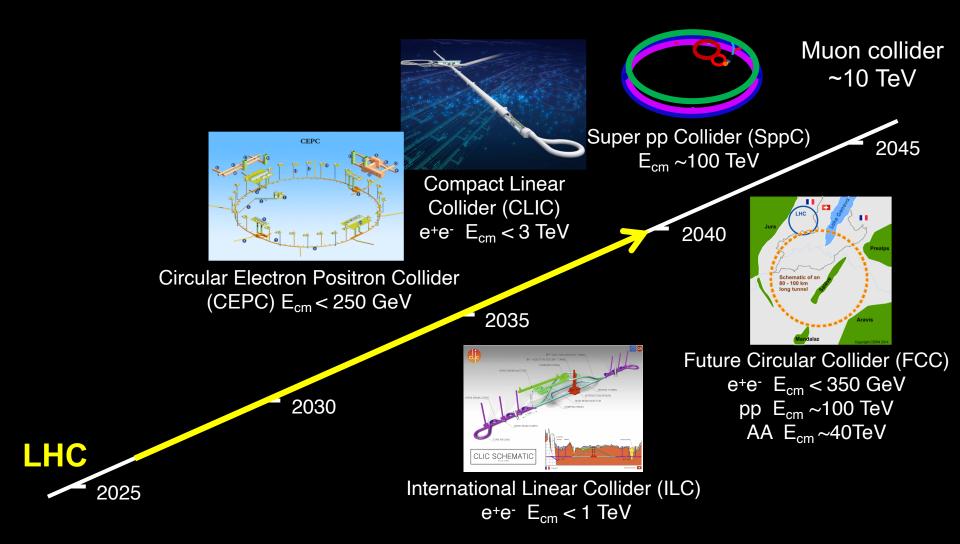
Energy Frontier Beyond LHC

Search for direct evidence of new physics

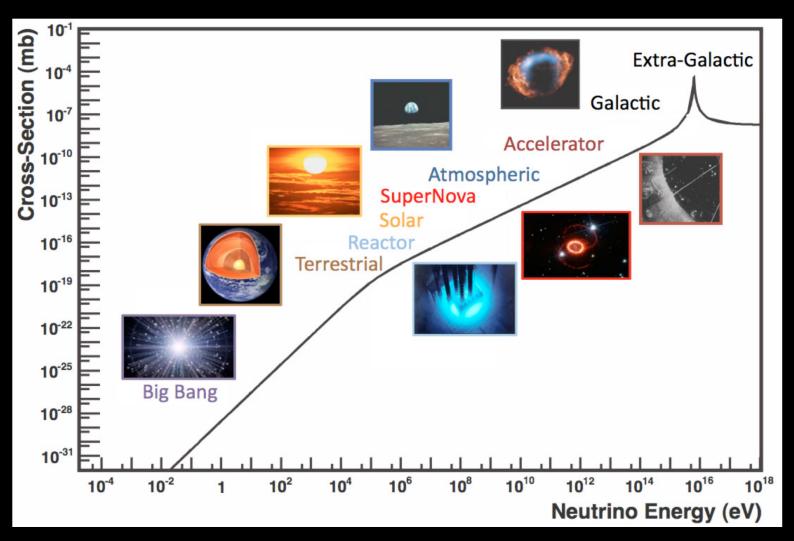
Search for indirect evidence of new physics via precision measurements (e.g., Higgs Factory)



Energy Frontier Beyond LHC



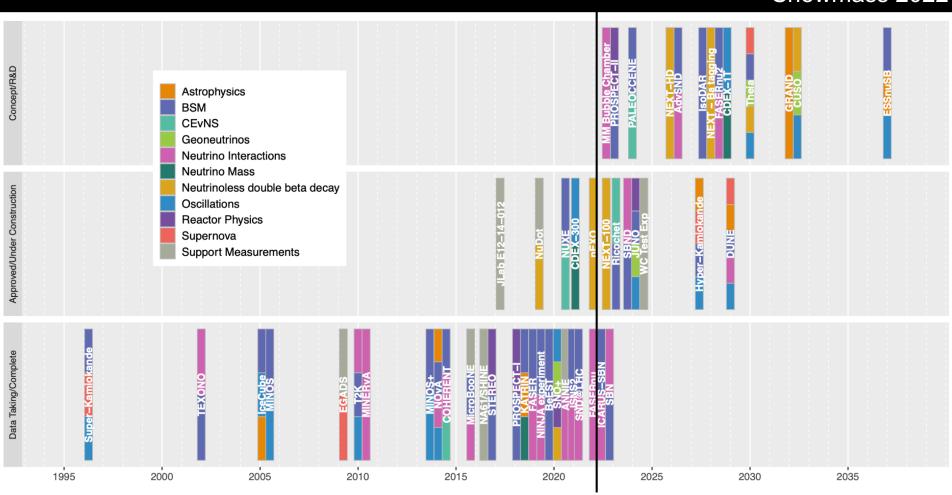
Neutrino Frontier



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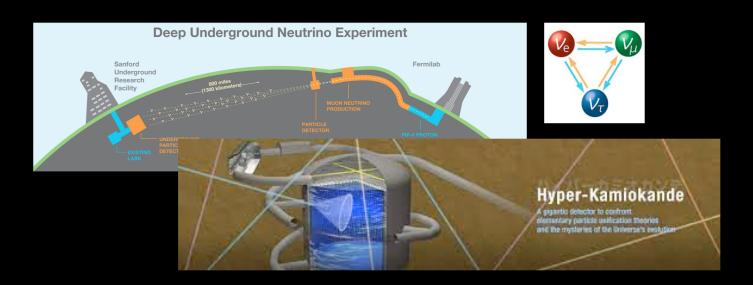
Neutrino Frontier

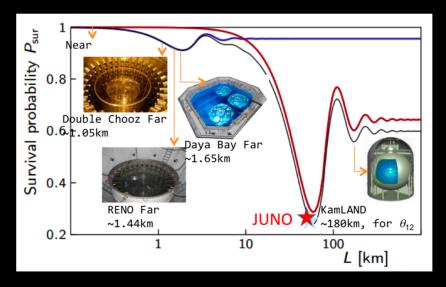
Snowmass 2022

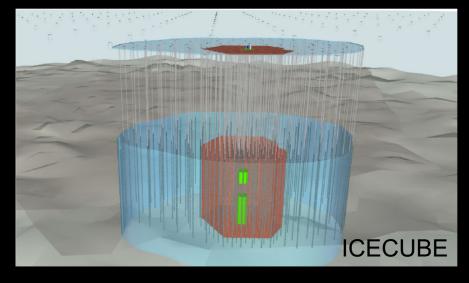


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Neutrino Frontier





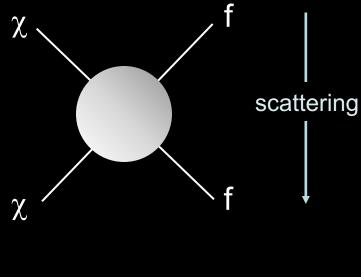


Dark Matter Searches

Indirect detection (space telescopes)

— annihilation →

Complementary to each other



Direct detection (underground experiments)

← production —

Particle accelerators (collider experiments)

Dark Matter Searches

The Space of Dark Matter models encompasses a dizzying array of possibilities, representing many orders of mass and couplings

Snowmass 2022 (US) Tim Tait Dark Matter Mass peV neV μ eV meV eV keV MeV GeV TeV PeV 10M o Supersymmetry Strength" classic macroscopic DM compact objects "Interaction WIMP thermal DM Solitonic DM Theories of $\nu_s {\rm DM}$ Sterile Neutrinos Dark Matter Warped Extra Dimensions axion-like particles / dark sectors scalar-vector light DM G_N self-interactions, dark radiation, light relics, etc. secluded dark sectors Little Higgs bosons QCD Axions fermions Axion-like Particles T Tait wave-like DM particle-like DM

Cosmological Probes



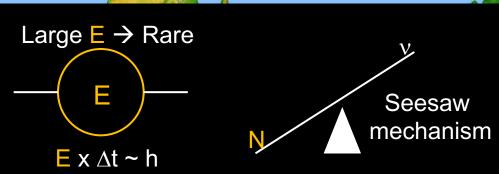
Searches for New Particles and New Phenomena Direct (Energy Frontier)

Indirect (Neutrinos, Precision Measurements, Rare Processes)



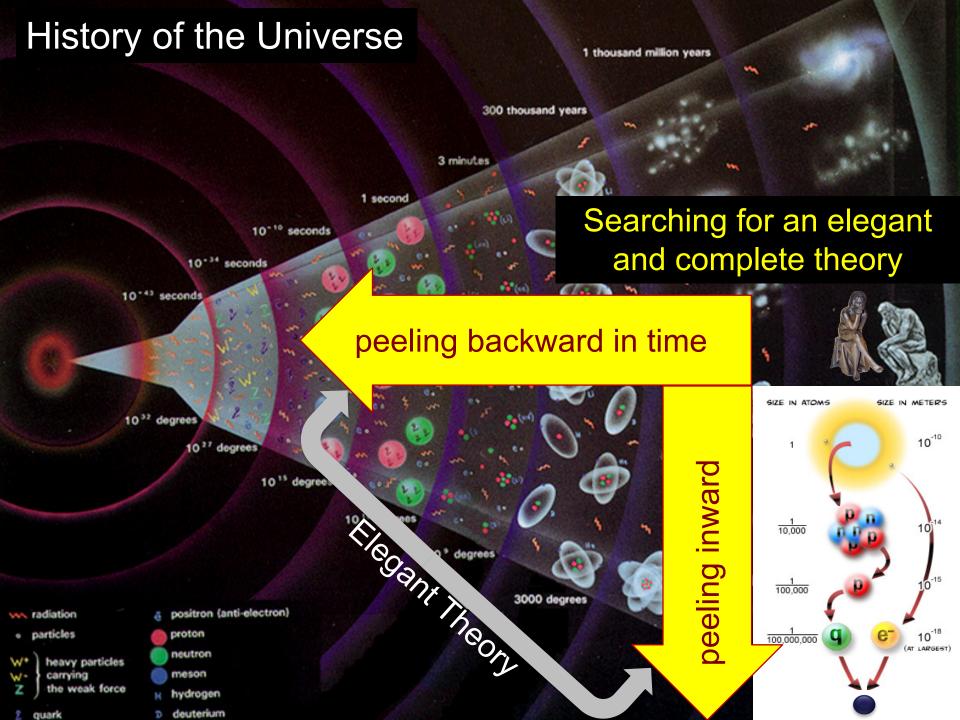
Other accelerators: VEPP-2000, VEPP-4M, BEPC-II, DAΦNE, PSI, TRIUMF Cyclotrons, ...

Intensity Frontier:
Extremely high intensity beams
Probe high energy indirectly



Conclusions

- Over 100 years in particle physics
 - The Standard Model has been constructed and is complete
 - Our knowledge of the Standard Model and our knowledge of the cosmos and its connection to particle physics have increased tremendously.
 - Remarkable achievements!
 - Move to deeper questions
- New Discoveries
 - Dark Matter exists, its grav. interactions being mapped by a host of cosmic probes
 - Neutrinos have unusually small mass; we are measuring their interactions and generational properties and narrowing down their masses.
 - Our Universe has an anti-matter deficit, and is accelerating
 - Gravitational waves, connection to fundamental questions in particle physics
 - These discoveries will enlarge our model of the Universe.
- Huge New Opportunities (Now and Future), Exciting Time!
 - We have new tools to measure matter, energy and space-time at all epochs

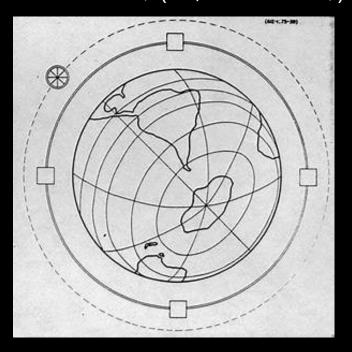


Science & Technology Breakthroughs



APS President in 1953

The only way to access new physics is through the development of higher- and higher-energy accelerators Fermi's Globatron (Projection): ~1 TeV, ~40,000 km, ~1994, ~170B 1954 \$ (~1,000B 2022 \$)



Actual ~1 TeV Accelerators: Tevatron: ~10 km, ~1985, ~a few B 2022 \$

Dramatically smaller and cheaper thanks to Science & Technology Breakthroughs

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion for Better Science and Technology

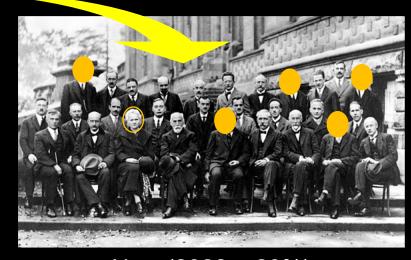
Gender Gap

The Nobel Prize in Physics has been awarded to 221 individuals until 2022
4 women received the Nobel Prize in Physics (2%)
Marie Curie (1903) → 60 years later: Maria Goeppert-Mayer (1963)
→ 55 years later: Donna Strickland (2018) → 2 years later: Andrea Ghez (2020)

Progress in gender balance in the last 100 years



Solvay Conference (1927)



Now (2022: ~20%)

Racial and Regional Gap

"Particle Physics is Global!" Opportunities to Reduce Gaps



The International Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development



The UN adopted 2022 as the International Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development, recognizing that basic sciences are vital to attain sustainable development and to improve the quality of life for people all over the world.

Globalization has been an influential development in recent decades as science and technology have enabled people to work and communicate across great distances and as the pace of the international economy has accelerated.

The pandemic highlighted how inter-connected the world is right now and how science, technology, society, policy, and politics are all connected. However, it has widened the gap between regions and countries, and erected walls between them. Geopolitical tensions further raised these walls. We are at a critical juncture, when the world faces major global challenges and needs global collaborative responses to meet them.

Basic science can play towards global collaboration for the emerging sustainability sciences during this era of gaps and tensions and on how our past experiences can help guide us for the future.