



Theoretical APP and Cosmology in the Netherlands

- 5 - 10 permanent staff in universities and research institutes
- 10 - 15 non-permanent staff
- interactions with astronomers + experimental APP



APP experiments

- Antares/KM3Net: ν astrophysics
- LOFAR: VLF radio array
- Auger: UHE cosmic rays
- Virgo: gravitational wave interferometer
- Mini-Grail: resonant mass g.w. detector
- HiSPARC: school-based air shower array



Research topics in theoretical APP and cosmology

APP

- Neutrino physics: production, masses, mixing
(VU Amsterdam, Groningen, Nikhef)
- Gravitational waves: production, signals
(Leiden, Nijmegen, Nikhef)



Research topics in theoretical APP and cosmology

Cosmology

- Baryogenesis, phase transitions
(Amsterdam, Leiden, Utrecht)
- Inflation, dark energy
(Amsterdam, Groningen, Leiden, Nikhef, Utrecht)
- Cosmic strings and defects (Leiden, Nikhef)
- Quantum cosmology (Amsterdam, Utrecht)



Some recent publications

- A. Achúcarro et al.

Helical magnetic fields from sphaleron decay and baryogenesis

- E. Bergshoeff et al.

Stringy cosmic strings in matter coupled to $N=2$, $d=4$ supergravity

- H. Koers and R. Wijers

Enhanced high-energy neutrino emission from choked GRB's due to meson and muon acceleration

- S.C. Davis and M. Postma

SUGRA chaotic inflation and moduli stabilisation

- B. Garbrecht and T. Prokopec

Baryogenesis from the amplification of vacuum fluctuations during inflation

- M. v.d. Meulen and J. Smit

Classical approximation to quantum cosmological correlations



Funding

- Universities: staff, PhD positions (few)
- Funding agency (FOM):
 - a. personal grants (PhD's, post-docs, travel, PC's)
 - b. theory programs:
 - *String Theory and Quantum Gravity (2002-2009)*
 - *Theoretical Particle Physics in the Era of the LHC (2008-2013)*
- Experimental projects: occasional PhD positions
- European networks



Collaborations / networks

National:

- FOM theory programs
- national astroparticle physics meetings (CAN)

International:

European networks:

- *Constituents, fundl. forces and symms. of the universe* (2004-2008)
- *Superstring theory* (2005-2009)
- *Random Geometry* (2005-2009)



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