The CERN Scientific Program

A tour around the laboratory

CERN is the largest laboratory in the world for particle physics CERN has the world's highest energy accelerator (the LHC) CERN has a very broad scientific program

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CERN was founded 1954: 12 European States "Science for Peace" Today: 23 Member States

- ~ 2600 staff
- ~ 1800 other paid personnel
- ~ 12500 scientific users

Member States: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom

Associate Member: Cyprus, India, Lithuania, Pakistan, Slovenia, Turkey, Ukraine

Applicant States for Membership or Associate Membership: Brazil, Croatia

Observers to Council: Japan, Russia, United States of America; JINR, European Commission and UNESCO

CERN attracts scientists from all over the world

Distribution of All CERN Users by Nationality on 10 October 2019





The mission of CERN

Push back the frontiers of knowledge

Studying the structure of matter on the smallest distances/highest energies... what was the matter like in the first moments of the Universe's existence?

Develop new technologies for accelerators and detectors

Benefits for society: e.g. accelerator technology, detectors for medicine, the WWW and the GRID

Train scientists and engineers of tomorrow

Unite people from different countries and cultures























Composition of Matter



- All matter built from Atoms
- Atoms consist of a Nucleus and Electrons
- The Nucleus consist of Neutrons and Protons
- Neutrons and Protons consist of Up and Down Quarks

Fundamental Matter Particles: Electrons, Up Quarks, Down Quarks



The Standard Model of Particle Physics



Fermions (spin 1/2) quarks and leptons: the building blocks of matter

Bosons (integer spin) carry the forces: electromagnetic (Photon), weak force (W, Z) and strong force (Gluons)

Higgs Boson (spin 0), gives mass to particles

 Sufficient to explain the matter around us

Plus antimatter partners of each particle.



What is missing?

Several observations and mysteries point to the fact that the Standard Model is not the final theory:

- Dark matter (as "seen" in Astrophysics) not explained: need new particles? 5x more dark matter than "standard" matter.
- Matter Antimatter asymmetry: Why is the Universe made of matter, when matter and antimatter would be equally produced in the Big Bang?
- Mass of the neutrinos not explained by the SM: 3 different "flavour" of neutrinos – changing flavour, hence have to have mass.
- And finally, inclusion of Gravity in the final theory.

Still a lot to explore, to measure and to collect Nobel prizes!





Research in Particle Physics needs:

- Theories
- Accelerators Engineering
- Experiments Computing
- People
- People
- People
- People



CERN Accelerators



The Large Hadron Collider

Search for the Higgs Boson, study Standard Model particles and search for physics beyond the Standard Model Exploration of a new energy frontier in p-p and Pb-Pb collisions



Experiments at the LHC

CMS

+ TOTEM, LHCf, MoEDAL, Faser



Experiments at the LHC Four major experiments





ATLAS

ALICE

Dedicated to heavy ion physics ~ 1 month/year Pb-Pb collisions





LHCb

Dedicated to flavour physics (b and c quarks)



Experiments at the LHC

Brilliant performance of the LHC, the experiments and the Grid computing: Run1 2011-2012: $E_{cm} = 7-8$ TeV Run2 2015-2018: $E_{cm} = 13$ TeV Preparing for Run3 2022-2024: $E_{cm} = 13$ -14 TeV (to be determined) LHC operation approved until 2037







CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN Data recorded: 2012-May-13 20:08:14.621490 GMT Run/Event: 194108 / 564224000

H →γγ candidate



July 2012: "ATLAS and CMS observe a new particle compatible with the Higgs Boson"







Photo: A. Mahmoud

Peter W. Higgs



The Nobel Prize in Physics 2013 was awarded jointly to François Englert and Peter W. Higgs "for the theoretical discovery of a mechanism that contributes to our understanding of the origin of mass of subatomic particles, and which recently was confirmed through the discovery of the predicted fundamental particle, by the ATLAS and CMS experiments at CERN's Large Hadron Cottider"





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CERN is not only the LHC !



SPS: Injector for the LHC and accelerator for experiments in the North Area





Fixed Target Physics

Lower energy experiments at PS or SPS (in 1 - 400 GeV range) allow precision measurements and comparison with theory Deviations can be sign of new physics at higher energies



Super Proton Synchrotron (1976) Protons up to 400 GeV, max. 9.5x10⁹ p per bunch

> COMPASS in North Hall 60 m long)



Fixed Target Physics

6 approved experiments:

- NA58 (COMPASS): muon spin physics, hadron spectroscopy
- NA61 (SHINE): strong interaction, quark gluon plasma, neutrino and cosmic ray program
- NA62: rare K decays $BR(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu \nu)$
- NA63: electromagnetic processes in strong crystalline fields
- NA64: search for dark sectors in missing energy events
- NA65 (DsTau): study of v_{τ} production



Example NA62:

Neutrino Platform (new extension of North Area)

Like quarks, neutrinos exist in different flavors $v_e v_\mu v_\tau$

but their flavour oscillates $\nu_{\mu} \Leftrightarrow \nu_{\tau} \qquad \nu_{\mu} \Leftrightarrow \nu_{e}$ Has been studied with ν_{μ} beam sent from CERN to Gran Sasso in Italy (CNGS).

Neutrino platform as a test area with charged beams for neutrino detectors (e.g. R&D for large liquid argon detectors). The experiments will take place in the US and Japan.





LBNF/DUNE in the US:





ISOLDE and nTOF





Nuclear Physics: ISOLDE & nTOF

ISOLDE: radioactive ion beams

1000 nuclides of over 75 elements produced, about 50 experiments every year

- Nuclear physics
- Fundamental interactions
- Nuclear Astrophysics
- Applications (Medicine, Material Science)

Over 20 Target materials:

carbides, oxides, solid metals, molten metals and molten salts (U, Ta, Zr, Y, Ti, Si, ...)
3 types of ion sources: surface, plasma, laser
HIE-ISOLDE (post acceleration up to 10 MeV/nucleon)



nTOF (neutron time-of-flight)

Neutron cross-section measurements

- Astrophysics
- Nuclear Physics
- Medical Applications
- Nuclear Waste Transmutation





Antiproton & Antihydrogen Physics





Antiproton & Antihydrogen Physics

Matter-Antimatter comparison

- Test CPT invariance, the most fundamental Symmetry in relativistic quantum field theory
- Test of the Weak Equivalence Principle by measuring the gravitational behavior of antimatter
- Measurements of "antihydrogen"-like systems: antiprotonic helium, positronium, protonium





In commissioning ELENA Extra Low Energy Antiprotons at 100 keV \rightarrow 10-100 x larger trapping efficiency \rightarrow Parallel running of experiments

The Antiproton Decelerator (AD): antiprotons at 5.3 MeV

Antiproton & Antihydrogen Physics

Matter-Antimatter comparison Fundamental in the current theory of physics: $m = \overline{m}$, $g = \overline{g}$

5 experiments:

- ASACUSA spectroscopy of exotic atoms (antiprotonic Helium), and nuclear collision cross section
- BASE magnetic moment of the antiproton
- ALPHA/ALPHA-g spectroscopy and gravity
- AEgIS spectroscopy, antimatter gravity experiment
- **GBAR** antimatter gravity experiment

New experiments under discussion







PS East Hall





Environmental Physics

CLOUD - Study effect of cosmic rays on cloud formation

Clouds created in a large climatic chamber

Study influence of natural and man made aerosols on the development of clouds, cosmic rays "simulated" by PS beam,



CLOUD breakthrough:

Cloud formation was higher than expected in pre-industrial times and influenced by cosmic rays. Result important to reduce uncertainties in current climate model.



Non Accelerator Experiments

CAST: The CERN Axion Solar Telescope

- Search for solar axions completed in 2015
- New search for dark matter axions
- New search for solar chameleons

Using a LHC test magnet



Constraints on Axion-Photon coupling:



Nature Physics 13, 584-590 (2017)

OSQAR: Search for Axions through "Light shining through wall experiments" Using LHC prototyp dipol magnet



Future accelerators

LHC, and its upgrade to higher luminosity, is central to CERN program for next decade(s) But need to prepare for what will come after, so future accelerators are under study:

- CLIC Compact Linear Collider
 Study of the design for a possible
 future e⁺e⁻ linear collider up to 3 TeV
- FCC Future Circular Collider
 Study of a 100 km circumference machine for pp collisions at 100 TeV, as well as e⁺e⁻
- Physics beyond Colliders
 - Study to explore possibilities using the non-collider part of the CERN accelerator complex

Direction will be given by the Update of the European Strategy for Particle Physics.







Expected by CERN Council during June 2020 Session.



The CERN scientific program is:

- Rich and diverse
- Covers a wide range of energies from atomic physics to the highest energy frontier
- Strong in transfer of technology, education and relevance to issues in wider society (information, health, climate, energy, ...)

CERN's success is built on its personnel

Welcome, to join the adventure! *Bienvenu!*





Thank you for your attention !