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NEUTRINOLESS DOUBLE BETA DECAY

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Angel Morales and I created the IGEX **Collaboration and Experiment in 1987.** We started by having meetings with a number of colleagues at the Moriond Conference at Les Arcs in February. We had already begun to collaborate in neutrinoless double-beta decay earlier that year in the Canfranc Underground Laboratory. The following is a photo taken on top of Condonchu above the lab



Notice the brown hair on the speaker

On this visit to Canfranc, Angel told me his dream of a full laboratory in galleries cut from the railway tunnel. This dream has come to pass as Julio Morales will show next.

Now on to DOUBLE-BETA DECAY!



WHAT COULD WE LEARN IF OBSERVED

- NEUTRINOS ARE MAJORANA
 PARTICLES (Leptogenesis is possible)
- A MEASURE OF THE MAJORANA MASS OF THE ELECTRON NEUTRINO
- HENCE, THE NEUTRINO MASS EIGENVALUES
- ARE NEUTRINOS A COMPONENT OF THE DARK MATTER?





Neutrino Mass-Eigenstate Mixing

$$\begin{bmatrix} |\nu_e\rangle \\ |\nu_\mu\rangle \\ |\nu_\tau\rangle \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{e1} & u_{e2} & u_{e3} \\ u_{\mu1} & u_{\mu2} & u_{\mu3} \\ u_{\tau1} & u_{\tau1} & u_{\tau1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} |\nu_1\rangle \\ |\nu_2\rangle \\ |\nu_3\rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} c_3 c_2 & s_3 c_2 & s_2 e^{-i\delta} \\ -s_3 c_1 - c_3 s_1 s_2 e^{i\delta} & c_3 c_1 - s_3 s_1 s_2 e^{i\delta} & s_1 c_2 \\ s_3 s_1 - c_3 s_1 s_2 e^{i\delta} & -c_3 s_1 - s_3 c_1 s_2 e^{i\delta} & c_1 c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Decay Rate

 $\frac{1}{T_{1/2}^{0\nu\beta\beta}} = G^{0\nu}(E_0, Z) \left(\frac{\langle m_\nu \rangle}{m_e}\right)^2 |M_f^{0\nu} - (g_A/g_V)^2 M_{GT}^{0\nu}|^2$

Oscillations





Neutrino Mass Eigenstates

Normal Hierarchy

$$|\langle m_{\nu} \rangle| = \left| c_2^2 c_3^2 m_1 + c_2^2 s_3^2 e^{i\phi_2} \sqrt{\delta m_s^2 + m_1^2} + s_2^2 e^{i\phi_3} \sqrt{\delta m_{AT}^2 + m_1^2} \right|$$

Inverted Hierarchy

$$|\langle m_{\nu}\rangle| = \left|s_{2}^{2}m_{1} + c_{2}^{2}c_{3}^{2}e^{i\phi_{2}}\sqrt{\delta m_{AT}^{2} - \delta m_{s}^{2} + m_{1}^{2}} + c_{2}^{2}s_{3}^{2}e^{i\phi_{3}}\sqrt{\delta m_{AT}^{2} + m_{1}^{2}}\right|$$

Useful Approximations

 $c_2^2 c_3^2 \approx 0.75 \quad c_2^2 s_3^2 \approx 0.25 \quad s_2^2 \approx 0 \quad \delta m_s^2 \ll \delta m_{AT}^2$

A General Approximation

Normal Hierarchy

$$\left|\langle m_{\nu} \rangle\right| = \left|m_1 \left\{ 0.70^{+0.02}_{-0.04} + e^{i\phi_2} \left(0.30^{+0.03}_{-0.03}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\delta m_s^2}{2m_1^2}\right) \right\}\right|$$

Inverted Hierarchy

 $|\langle m_{\nu} \rangle| \cong \left| \sqrt{\delta m_{AT}^2 + m_1^2} \right| \left[e^{i\phi_2} \left(0.07^{+0.02}_{-0.04} \right) + e^{i\phi_3} \left(0.30^{+0.03}_{-0.02} \right) \right]$

Note here that $|\langle m_{\nu} \rangle| \approx 0.045 \ eV \ if \ \phi_2$ and ϕ are in phase, even when $m_1 \equiv 0$.

It is absolutely necessary to consider what ever knowledge of the nuclear matrix elements we have in evaluating the discovery potential of a given technique.

$\bigcirc \bullet \bullet \mathsf{Parameters} \text{ of } \mathcal{T}_{1/2}^{\mathsf{ov}} \mathsf{Sensitivity}$

$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \simeq \frac{\ln 2Nt\epsilon}{\gamma\sqrt{bMt\ \delta E}}$$
$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \simeq \frac{\ln 2(A_0/W) \times 10^3(Mat\epsilon)}{\gamma\sqrt{bMt\ \delta E}}$$
$$T_{1/2}^{0\nu} \propto \frac{a\epsilon}{W}\sqrt{\frac{Mt}{b\ \delta E}}$$

 $a \equiv isotopic \ abundance$ $b \equiv background \ rate \ in \ c/(keV \cdot kg \cdot y)$ $M \equiv source \ mass$ $\delta E \propto energy resolution$ $\epsilon \equiv detection \ efficiency$ $W \equiv molecular \ weight$



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Neutrinoless Double-Beta Decay Experimental Figure of Merit

$$f \equiv \frac{\overline{\eta}a\epsilon}{W} \sqrt{\frac{M}{b\delta E}}$$
$$\eta \equiv G^{0\nu} |\mathcal{M}^{0\nu}|^2 \times 10^{13} = F_N \times 10^{13}$$

 $\overline{\eta} \equiv \langle \eta \rangle_{nuclear\ models}$

Available Experimental Techniques

Cryogenic Bolometry Ionization Detectors Scintillation Detectors Time Projection Chambers Tracking Chambers

Available Enriched Isotopes

⁴⁸Ca - AVLIS[†] (USA
⁷⁶Ge - Centrifuge (Russia)
⁸²Se - Centrifuge (Russia)
¹⁰⁰Mo - Centrifuge (Russia) & AVLIS[†] (USA)
¹¹⁶Cd - Centrifuge (Russia) & AVLIS[†] (USA)
¹³⁰Te - Centrifuge (Russia)
¹³⁶Xe - Centrifuge (Russia)
¹⁵⁰Nd - AVLIS[†] (USA)

^T Technology available at LLNL. No known production program.

Average Theoretical Nuclear Structure Factors

Parent Isotope	$\left\langle F_{N}\right\rangle \equiv \left\langle G^{0\nu} \left M^{0\nu} \right ^{2} \right\rangle y^{-1}$
⁴⁸ Ca	$(5.4^{+3.0}_{-1.4}) \times 10^{-14}$
⁷⁶ Ge	$(7.3 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-14}$
⁸² Se	$(1.7^{+0.4}_{-0.3}) \times 10^{-13}$
100 Mo	$(1.0 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-12}$
116 Cd	$(1.3^{+0.7}_{-0.3}) \times 10^{-13}$
¹³⁰ Te	$(4.2 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-13}$
¹³⁶ Xe	$(2.8 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-14}$
¹⁵⁰ Nd	$(5.7^{+1.0}_{-0.7}) \times 10^{-12}$

\circ Table of Values of $\overline{\eta}$

 $\overline{\eta} \equiv \langle G^{0\nu} | \mathcal{M}^{0\nu} |^2 \rangle \times 10^{13}$

Isotope	$\overline{\eta}$
⁴⁸ Ca	0.54
⁷⁶ Ge	0.73
⁸² Se	1.70
¹⁰⁰ Mo	10.0
¹¹⁶ Cd	1.30
¹³⁰ Te	4.20
¹³⁶ Xe	0.28
¹⁵⁰ Nd	57.0

NEW VALUES OF $\langle \eta \rangle$ USING Rodin et al.

ISOTOPE

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⁴⁸ Ca	0.71	0.74
⁷⁶ Ge	1.00	1.00
⁸² Se	3.06	2.32
¹⁰⁰ Mo	1.72	6.84
¹¹⁶ Cd	1.78	1.78
¹³⁰ Te	1.65	5.85
¹³⁶ Xe	1.14	0.38
¹⁵⁰ Nd	20.6	78.1

O Proposed Experiments

CAMEO	¹¹⁶ Cd	CdWO ₄ crystals in liq. scint.
CANDLES	48Ca	CaF ₂ crystals in liq. scint.
COBRA	¹¹⁶ Cd	CdTe semiconductors
CUORE	¹³⁰ Te	TeO ₂ bolometers
DCBA	150Nd	Nd foils & tracking chambers
EXO	¹³⁶ Xe	Xe TPC
GEM	⁷⁶ Ge	Ge detectors in LN
GENIUS	⁷⁶ Ge	Ge detectors in LN

O Proposed Experiments

GSO	¹⁶⁰ Gd	Gd ₂ SiO ₅ crystals in liq. scint.
Majorana	⁷⁶ Ge	Segmented Ge Detectors
MOON	¹⁰⁰ Mo	Mo foils & plastic scint.
GERDA	⁷⁶ Ge	Ge detectors in LN
SUPER NEMO	⁸² Se	Foils with tracking
Xe	¹³⁶ Xe	Xe dissolved in liq. scint.
XMASS	¹³⁶ Xe	Liquid Xe



CUORE:

high sensitive Double Beta Decay cryogenic Experiment



Cryogenic Detector

CUORE/CUORICINO (Gran Sasso) 760 kg of TeO₂ (nat. abundance = 33.8%) 988 bolometers at ~ 8 mK 19 Towers of 52 bolometers per tower CUORICINO ~ 1 tower, operating with result

 $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} = 1.8 \times 10^{24} y$

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CUORICINO





CUORICINO



Cuoricino sensitivity





Cuoricino is presently the most sensitive DBD-0n running experiment, capable to confirm the KK-HM "evidence".

Cuoricino demonstrates feasibility of a large scale bolometric detector (CUORE) with good energy resolution and bkg on many detectors.

CUORE, a second generation detector developed on this new approaches, will be build and start up in the next 5 years.

Recent results on background suppression confirm the capability to explore the inverse hierarchy mass region.





CUORE expected sensitivity



A.Strumia and F.Vissani.: hep-ph/0503246



In five years:

B(counts/keV/kg/y)	$\Delta(\text{keV})$	$T_{1/2}(y)$	$ \langle m_{\nu} \rangle $ (meV)
0.01	10	1.5×10^{26}	23 - 118
0.01	5	2.1×10^{26}	19 - 100
0.001	10	4.6×10^{26}	13-67
0.001	5	$6.5 imes 10^{26}$	11-57



Spread in <m > from nuclear matrix element uncertainty





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Ionization Detectors

COBRA - CdTe GEM - (Ge Crystals in LN) GENIUS - (Ge Crystals in LN) Majorana - (Ge Crystals in Cryostat) GERDA- (Ge Crystals in LN)

COBRA

10 kg of CdTe (CdZnTe) Detectors Measure Several double-beta isotopes at once Systematic studies of Cd and Te isotopes Rare beta decays of ¹¹³Cd and ¹²³Te Dark matter search

Slide adapted from presentation of K. Zuber at DESY Zeuthen, 19-21 June 2001

COBRA



Majorana







Individual crystal within electrical contact enclosure

Copper support materials

Part of external vacuum jacket (copper) enclosing pre-amplifier front ends behind lead screen

Figure 3-25. Highly-schematic view of close-packed arrangement of 57 germanium crystals inside a modular Majorana cryostat. Outer vacuum jacket is removed for clarity.



Figure 3-2. Majorana apparatus.

Majorana





keV





Figure 2 Proposed Schedule for Phase 1 Majorana

⁷⁶Ge Proposal for Gran Sasso GERDA

Bare Ge detectors in pure LN/LAr Phase 1: ~ 20 kg, HM/IGEX; 86% ⁷⁶Ge Phase 2: Add 20 kg new enriched detectors **Physics Reach** Phase 1: refute claim at 99.6% or confirm at 5σ Phase 2: 10% measurement if KKDK correct. Push limit to 2×10^{26} years if not. Start construction early 2005 **Begin data acquisition 2006**

MPI '6Ge Proposal









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Germanium Detectors I



Phase I:

- p type crystals
- <2 kg per detector





Prototype

Phase II:

- n type crystals
- "true-coaxial" geometry
- ~2.1 kg per detector
- lithographic

segmentation

- $3 z x 6 \varphi = 18$
- Light holders

(~31+6 g)







GERDA = GERmanium Detector Array

- Hexagonally placed detectors
- 3 5 levels





The GERDA Experiment II





Kevin Kröninger, MPI München

VIDMAN Students Workshop

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The Super-NEMO Double-Beta Decay Expression of Interest

At least 10 times the capacity of NEMO-3 ~ 100 kg of enriched isotopes Sensitivity $\langle m_{\nu} \rangle \sim 30 \text{ meV}$ ⁸²Se, ¹⁰⁰Mo, ¹¹⁶Cd, ¹³⁰Te, ¹³⁶Xe

Sample Figures of Merit

 $\epsilon = 0.8$ b = 0.005500 kg of Ge enriched to 86% ⁷⁶Ge $f = \frac{(0.73)(0.86)(0.8)}{76} \sqrt{\frac{500}{(0.005)(4)}} \simeq 1.05$ 760 kg of TeO₂ nat. ab. 33.8% ¹³⁰Te $\epsilon = 0.84$ $b \simeq 0.01$ f = 0.89122 kg of TeO₂ enriched to 85% ¹³⁰Te $\epsilon = 0.84$ $b \simeq 0.01$ f = 0.90

Large Tracking Detector (Super NEMO?)

 $M = 100 \ kg \quad a = 0.9 \quad \epsilon = 0.3 \quad b = 0.003 \quad \delta E = 125 \ keV$

$$f = \frac{\overline{\eta}a\epsilon}{W} \sqrt{\frac{M}{b\,\delta E}} = \frac{\overline{\eta}}{W} (4.4)$$
⁸²Se: $\frac{\overline{\eta}}{W} = \frac{1.7}{82} = 0.002$ $f \simeq 0.09$
¹⁵⁰Nd: $\frac{\overline{\eta}}{W} = \frac{57}{150} = 0.38$ $f \simeq 1.7$

Target Half-Lives for $\langle m_{\nu} \rangle = 0.04 \text{ eV}$

Isotope	$T_{1/2}^{0\nu}$
48Ca	3.0×10 ²⁷
⁷⁶ Ge	2.3×10 ²⁷
⁸² Se	9.4×10 ²⁶
¹⁰⁰ Mo	1.6×10 ²⁶
¹¹⁶ Cd	1.3×10 ²⁷
¹³⁰ Te	3.9×10 ²⁶
¹³⁶ Xe	5.8×10 ²⁷
¹⁵⁰ Nd	2.9×10 ²⁵

Table of Decay Rates for Various Candidate NuclidesFor an Effective Majorana Mass $|\langle m_{\nu} \rangle| = 40$ milli eV

ISOTOPE	$\lambda_{0\nu\beta\beta}(y^{-1})$	$N\lambda_{\beta\beta}$ (ton ⁻¹ y ⁻¹)	Abund.(%)
FORM			

⁴⁸ CaWO ₄	2.3(-28)	0.31	80 %
⁴⁸ CaF ₂	2.3(-28)	0.0033	0.187 %
⁷⁶ Ge	3.0(-28	3.0	86%
⁸² SeO ₂	7.4(-28)	3.4	85 %
¹⁰⁰ Mo	2.1(-27)	11.0	90 %
¹¹⁶ CdWO ₄	5.3(-28)	0.7	80 %
¹³⁰ TeO ₂	1.8(-27)	2.3	33.8 %
¹³⁰ TeO ₂	1.8(-27)	5.8	85%
¹³⁶ Xe	1.2(-28)	0.43	80%
¹⁵⁰ NdO ₃	2.4(-26)	35.0	85%

RECENT NUCLEAR STRUCTURE CALCULATIONS BY V. RODIN, A. FAESSLER, F. SIMKOVIC AND PETR VOGEL arXiv:nucl-th/0503063 v1 25 March 2005 QRPA (RQRPA) setting g_{pp} to the value that correctly predict the experimental $2\nu\beta\beta$ – decay half-life.

Predicted ratios of decay rates, Γ , for $0\nu\beta\beta$ – decay for a given value of $\langle m_{\nu} \rangle$:

 $\Gamma(^{130}\text{Te}/^{76}\text{Ge}) = 1.65 \qquad \Gamma(^{100}\text{Mo}/^{76}\text{Ge}) = 1.72$ $\Gamma(^{82}\text{Se}/^{76}\text{Ge}) = 3.06 \qquad \Gamma(^{150}\text{Nd}/^{76}\text{Ge}) = 20.6$ $\Gamma(^{150}\text{Nd}/^{76}\text{Ge}) = 12.5 \qquad \Gamma(^{100}\text{Mo}/^{130}\text{Te}) = 1.04$ $\Gamma(^{136}\text{Xe}/^{76}\text{Ge}) = 1.14 \qquad (\text{ These values are for } g_A = 1.00)$ $For \langle m_{\nu} \rangle = 50 \text{ milli Volts}, \quad \mathcal{T}^{-1}(^{76}\text{Ge}) = 2.78 \times 10^{-27} \text{ y}^{-1}$

COMPARRISON WITH RODIN et al.

	New Values	Average Values
130 Te/ 76 Ge	1.65	5.53
82 Se/ 76 Ge	3.06	2.33
¹⁰⁰ Mo/ ⁷⁶ Ge	1.72	6.84
¹⁵⁰ Nd/ ⁷⁶ Ge	20.6	78.1
¹³⁶ Xe/ ⁷⁶ Ge	1.14	0.74

New $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ =50 meV, T^{1/2}(0v, ⁷⁶Ge)= 2.5x10²⁶ y Old T^{1/2}= 2.7x 10²⁷ y

Conclusions (cont.)

- Many good ideas of a few years ago are out of date.
- The target Mass is now 55 meV to cover the inverted hierarchy.
- Only experiments that can do this will be competitive, but,
- This is a worse case scenario!

• A More Positive View

We do not really know the mass of the lightest neutrino mass eigenstate !

Just the observation of the neutrinoless doublebeta decay process would have great impact !

Could KKDK be correct ? Test it!

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Angel is no longer with us but he has made a lasting list of contributions while working with many of us throughout the world.We all miss him. Next we will hear from Julio Morales about what I would call:

the "ANGEL MORALES CANFRANC UNDERGROUND LABORATORY"?







