Particle Physics at the NSF

HEPAP Meeting
Gaithersburg, MD
June 5, 2017

Mark Coles, Jean Cottam, Keith Dienes, Saúl González, Randy Ruchti, Jim Shank, Jim Whitmore
About one third of Physics Division funding is in Particle Physics or related programs.
## FY 2018 President’s Budget Request

**National Science Foundation**

**Summary Table**

**FY 2018 Budget Request to Congress**

(Dollars in Millions)

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## FY 2018 MPS Budget Request

### MPS Funding

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FY 2018 PBR
Elementary Particle Physics

EPP EXPERIMENT

Jim Shank, Randy Ruchti, Saul Gonzalez
Snapshot: FY 2016 EPP

Total Funding = $19.4 million

Includes: eEDM, Belle II, E&O, Einstein, Tevatron legacy, etc.
EPP Funding History

EPP Total Funding by Fiscal Year

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ARRA
EPP Highlight: LHCb

• Recent physics highlights from US groups:
  • Observation of exotic-like particles (Tetraquarks)
    • $B^+$ meson decays into $J/\psi$, $\phi$ and $K^+$ mesons.
    • The plot shows the $J/\psi$, $\phi$ mass spectrum which can only be fit with the inclusion of the four exotic particles at 4140, 4274, 4500 and 4700 MeV. See [https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.07898](https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.07898)
  • Ongoing Lepton Universality test probes physics beyond the Standard Model
EPP Highlight: CMS Phase 1 Upgrade

• Phase 1 upgrade goal: enhance pixel detector to maintain high efficiency at $\mathcal{L}=2\times10^{34}/\text{cm}^2/\text{sec}$ and $\eta<2.5$.

• NSF scope: replaced the three end-cap disks during the 2016 LHC shutdown (FPIX)

• Verification of operation after resumed LHC operation

FPIX Occupancies in Collisions
Particle Astrophysics

EXPERIMENT

Jean Cottam, Jim Whitmore
PA Program Scope & Currently Supported Projects

- Direct Dark Matter Detection – WIMP and non-WIMP experiments
  SuperCDMS at SNOLAB, XENON100/1T, LUX, DArkSide-50, PICO, DRIFT, DM-Ice, SABRE, DAMIC, HAYSTAC (ADMX-HF), ALPS2 and Light mass DM experiments

- Indirect Dark Matter Detection
  VERITAS, HAWC, IceCube

- Cosmic Ray, Gamma Ray, and UHE Neutrino Observatories
  IceCube, VERITAS, HAWC, Auger, Telescope Array, CTA, ARA, ARIANNA

- Cosmic Microwave Background
  SPT and BICEP

- Neutrino Properties
  Double Chooz, Project 8, IceCube, IsoDAR, CHANDLER

- Solar, SuperNova and Geo-Neutrinos
  Borexino, SNEWS

- Detector R&D
  NaI/CsI, LiSc/QuDots
Particle Astrophysics Proposals (FY02-17)

Number of PA Proposals (UG+CP)

Fiscal Year

- Other
- Neutrino
- UHE CR-GR
- Dark Matter

(“Neutrino” includes 0νββ for <2015)
34.2 live days of data acquired between November 2016 and January 2017. They achieved the lowest electronic recoil background in a dark matter detector. The experiment resumed operation shortly after the January 18, 2017 earthquake and continues to record data. [arXiv:1705.06655v2 May 23, 2017]
A comparison of the unfolded spectrum with theoretical predictions for a purely atmospheric flux shows good compatibility up to energies of $E \sim 126\text{TeV}$. For energies above $126\text{TeV}$, however, a flattening of the spectrum is observed, consistent with an astrophysical contribution to the overall spectrum of muon neutrinos. [arXiv:1705.07780v1 (May 22, 2017)]
Look at lower masses for Dark Sector

As WIMPs remain elusive, there is a growing interest in alternatives:

**Purple** indicates FY2017 awards

### Coherent/Resonant Detection
- feV
- peV
- neV
- μeV
- meV
- eV

### Electron Recoils
- keV
- MeV
- GeV
- TeV
- Pe

### Nuclear Recoils

#### Dark Matter Mass

- QCD axion excluded

#### Projects
- GNOME: 1 feV to 0.1 neV
- GPS:DM: 10 feV to 0.1 neV
- ABRACADABRA: 10 feV to 0.1 μeV
- ALPS-II: 1 neV to 10 meV
- ARIADNE: 1 μeV to 10 meV

#### Other
- ADMX-HF: 20 to 100 μeV
- Opt. levitating spheres: 0.1 meV to 1 eV
- ISOxAR: 0.3 eV to 1 keV
- SuperCDMS: 0.5 to 10 GeV
- DAMIC: 1 to 20 GeV
- DArkSide-50: > 10 GeV
- XENON-100/1T: > 10 GeV
- SABRE: 30 to 100 GeV
- COSINE-100: 30 to 100 GeV

#### Axions “Theory?”
- 50 to 1500 μeV

#### Hi QCD: Borsanyi et al., Nature 539, 69 (Nov 2016)
Elementary Particle Physics
THEORY

Astrophysics and Cosmology
THEORY

Keith Dienes
A vibrant, intellectually diverse Theory program is vital to the success of the entire Particle Physics mission. We therefore strive to capitalize on the immense talents and creativity of the Theory community by supporting the best, most cutting-edge investigator-driven research in two programs:

- Theoretical High-Energy Physics
- Theoretical Particle Astrophysics and Cosmology

These two theory programs interface regularly with many other programs at NSF (EPP, PA, Gravity Theory, Nuclear Theory, Astronomy, Materials Research, Mathematical Sciences, etc.). We also coordinate, as needed, with DOE.

Approximately 110 separate active grants supporting ~180 PIs; ~30 large university groups.

Supporting individuals, RUI's, and special facilities or initiatives (Aspen Center for Physics, TASI summer school, LHC Theory Initiative, etc.)
Theory Trends

• FY15-17: three-year absorption of string-theoretic portion of former Mathematical Physics program. Now nearly complete.

• FY16: NSF renews Aspen Center for Physics grant for next five years, expands support and scope into Atomic Physics.

• Numbers of proposals received is currently twice what it was only 3-4 years ago.

• Increasing numbers of RUI proposals, particularly in FY17.

• One major challenge affecting Theory is the entrance of non-traditional (private philanthropic) funding sources. NSF has developed new procedures for evaluating overlapping sources of funding and introducing such evaluations into the proposal review process.

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Facilities and Scientific Infrastructure

Mark Coles, Jean Cottam, Saul Gonzalez, Bogdan Mihaila, Jim Shank, Randy Ruchti, Jim Whitmore
High Luminosity LHC Planning

- Conceptual Design (approved initiation Nov 2015)
- Preliminary Design (approved initiation August 2016)
  - “pre-PDR” snapshot review of ATLAS and CMS plans (April 2017)
  - Preliminary Design Reviews in December/17-January/18
- CERN’s LHC schedule → ATLAS, CMS schedules → HL LHC (if approved) in 2020
  MREFC budget request (2018)
Computing

• We issued a Software Institute Conceptualization award: “Conceptualization of an S2I2 Software Institute for High Energy Physics” Award 1558216 (Elmer, Princeton) / 1558233 (Sokoloff, Cincinnati) / 1558233 (Neubauer, UIUC)

• Sponsors community workshops and conceptual work to take advantage of the significant data and computing requirements of the Large Hadron Collider as a science driver for next generation high-performance software and sustainability developments. Working together with the HEP Software Foundation to produce a Community White Paper.

• Next meeting: 26-30 Jun, 2017 - HEP Software Foundation Workshop LAPP (Annecy)

• This effort will inform the future of computing and various software development needs for the HL-LHC era

• We are partnering with NSF’s Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure

• Working with ATLAS, CMS, and OSG to minimize disruption to U.S. LHC
Major Research Instrumentation (MRI)

- Up to $4 million from NSF for development or acquisition proposals
- Cost-sharing at the level of 30% of the total project cost is required for Ph.D.-granting institutions and non-degree-granting organizations. Cost-sharing is not required for non-Ph.D. granting institutions.
- Submission limit - Three (3) per organization: *If three proposals are submitted, at least one of the proposals must be for instrument development.*
- Merit Review - At the time of submission, PI’s are asked to identify an NSF division(s) to review proposal. NSF reserves the right to place proposals in the appropriate division(s) for review.
- Very competitive and supported mostly with non-PHY funding
- EPP and PA communities have leveraged many $million over the years
- MRI solicitation is evolving
Midscale Instrumentation

• Design and Construction or Acquisition of Instrumentation
• ~ $4M < TPC < ~ $15M; PHY funding over multiple years
• Currently 6 Midscale projects (see PHY Solicitation 17-561)
Update: Major Research Equipment & Facilities Construction

National Science Foundation
Office of the Director
Arlington, VA 22230

Notice No. 138
November 30, 2016

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO
PRESIDENTS OF UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES
AND HEADS OF OTHER NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
GRANTEE ORGANIZATIONS

SUBJECT: Revision of the Major Research Equipment and Facilities Construction (MREFC) Eligibility Threshold.

Following open discussion at the National Science Board meeting on November 8th and 9th, NSF has established the Total Project Cost (TPC) eligibility threshold for potential inclusion in the Major Research Equipment and Facilities Construction (MREFC) account at $70M. This adjustment responds to emergent scientific research opportunities and addresses the gap that previously existed between smaller instrumentation and major facility projects. Further details on MREFC account eligibility will be included in the FY 2017 revision of NSF’s Large Facilities Manual which will be published in December and made available on the Large Facilities Office website (https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/lfo/index.jsp). The scientific community should incorporate this change in their long range portfolio planning and prioritization efforts.

France A. Córdova
Director

~$130 million threshold (MPS) → $70 million
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“midscale”

Now $70 million across NSF

(10-15)% of TPC

(10-15)% of TPC per year
Outlook

• Particle Physics at the NSF moves forward mindful of the P5 recommendations and aligned to the post-P5 MPS Advisory Committee recommendations

• PHY and the EPP program are committed—to the best of our ability—to the success of the HL LHC. This requires
  • Significant additional research contributions to planning activities
  • Additional reductions to EPP beyond nominal budget envelope
  • Essential to keep the LHC program viable beyond 2025
  • Close coupling between Research and Upgrade programs an issue

• But we are also committed to a diverse scientific portfolio that advances multiple frontiers

• FY18 Budgets imply a re-baselining of Research Programs
New 2016 STC at Cornell U.

- CBB’s goal is to increase the intensity ("brightness") of beams of charged particles by two orders of magnitude while decreasing the cost of key accelerator technologies.

- CBB will promote significant advances in scientific disciplines ranging from physics to chemistry to biology by enhancing the capabilities of the accelerators essential to research in these fields.

- It will conduct collaborative research with national laboratories and companies, leveraging their diverse expertise, and will transfer technology to them.

- It will help integrate the research into instruments that advance the frontiers of knowledge in life sciences, materials science, condensed matter physics, particle physics, and nuclear physics.
Other Items

• Workshop on “Table-top experiments with Skyscraper reach” (Aug 9-11, MIT): “...to bring together a diverse set of scientists from the particle physics, nuclear physics, and AMO communities to discuss new ideas for small-scale experiments that can search for new physics beyond the Standard Model"

• CPAD 2017, University of New Mexico, October 12-14

• NSF Physics Division Solicitation (Investigator-initiated Research Projects) 17-561 Deadlines:
  • October 25, 2017 (EPP-experiment, PA-experiment)
  • December 7, 2017 (EPP-Theory, PA&Cosmology-Theory)

• Career Program Solicitation 17-537 Deadline: July 21, 2017
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