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INVISIBLES-Madrid:

a bunch of physicists.... who want to do physics !



The background: very large group ~130 170

In spite of its name the "Department of Theoretical Physics" (and IFT) includes:

-- **Particle theory**: Gravitation -> Strings -> BSM -> DM -> neutrino physics -> SM -> LHC phenom.

-- Particle physics experiments: ATLAS, CMS, SuperKamiokande, NEXT

-- Theoretical Nuclear Physics

-- Theoretical Astrophysics and Cosmology (computational and inflationary)

-- Observational Astrophysics (Galactic, Planets)

-- Neuroscience, Quantum computing...



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Michele Maltoni

Research activity and interests

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- A key feature of our research activity is its deep connection with the experimental results, which are coming <u>right now</u>.
- Two complementary directions: neutrino phenomenology and neutrino astrophysics.

Neutrino phenomenology

- Aims at providing theoretical support for the upcoming generation of v experiments;
- goals: { reconstruct the neutrino mass matrix in the standard scenario;
 - \int search for New Physics beyond three-neutrino oscillations;
- solid and well-tested, and lots to do

Neutrino astrophysics

- Aims at fully exploiting the p-tentialities of forthcoming neutrino telescopes;
 - understand the detectors; recognize key features for each task;
 - study the potentialities of atmospheric neutrinos (guaranteed signal);
- approach: - learn about ν properties using astro- ν from diffuse fluxes; - use collected data to learn about the sources;
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Enrique Fernandez-Martinez

Research Interests

- Neutrino phenomenology
 - Measurement of unknown neutrino parameters
 - Phenomenology of models of neutrino masses
 - New physics in neutrino interactions
- Dark Energy
 - Extracting info on the DE eos from SN and BAO
- Dark Matter
 - "Alternative" (non WIMPy) models of DM (ADM, v...)
 - DM probes (collider, direct, indirect and new!)

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Maria José Herrero

-->Main motivations in research:

I am interested in:

** Understanding the origen of mass and Exploring the Higgs sector within and beyond the Standard Model

** Understanding the origen of the flavor structure of quarks and leptons within and beyond the Standard Model

** Exploring the phenomenological consequences of flavor in present and future experiments.

** Understanding the connection, if any, between flavor oscillations in neutrino physics and Lepton Flavor Violation.

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At present I am working on the various subjects above, with more emphasis on models beyond SM that are based on

SUSY. On one hand I am exploring the constraints to new physics from the present data on rare B-decays and B-Bbar mixing. On the other hand I am studying some implications of the heavy Majorana neutrinos on Higgs physics and on Lepton Flavor Violation within a context of SUSY-seesaw models. In the future I will continue exploring these SUSY models but also plan to treat the flavor issues with the use of a more general effective lagrangian approach, that could be used to analize other Non-SUSY models. In particular I would like to explore the connection between neutrino oscillations and Lepton Flavor Violation using a model independent approach, i.e, by means of effective lagrangian tools, etc.

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Luis Labarga

We are most interested in *a*) proton-decay physics, *b*) the nature of the *neutrino* and its interactions, particularly CP violation in the leptonic sector, *c*) Dark Matter searches via *neutrinos*.

FOR THAT:

1. The UAM is member of the Super-Kamiokande experiment. Among other works it is fully involved in its R&D program on neutron tagging which will hopefully convert water Cerenkov detectors in the best devices for measuring relic or nearby Core Collapse Supernova *neutrinos* and Nuclear Reactor *neutrinos* and, in general, for matter-flavor tagging of the detected *neutrino*. In this meeting, it is worth mentioning its radio-purity campaign being carried out in the "Canfranc Underground Laboratory" (LSC).

2. In a fully synergic activity, the UAM is member of the NEXT experiment at LSC to study the Wajorana nature of the *neutrino*; its main responsibility is its corresponding radio-purity program.

3. The UAM is pursuing a next generation *neutrino* and proton-decay experiment. It has contributed very much to LAGUNA; it has lead a thorough Feasibility Study for the LSC to host such experiment.

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Alfredo Poves

The goal of this line of research is to improve the reliability of the nuclear matrix elements for the neutrinoless double beta decay in the framework of the Interacting Shell Model. For that we need to benchmark our nuclear wave functions with other observables, among them:

- The half-lives of the two neutrinos mode
- The Gamow-Teller strength functions of the participant nuclei as measured in charge exchange reactions
- The occupation numbers of the relevant orbits around the Fermi surface, which are obtained in stripping and pick-up reactions
- The pair transfer amplitudes, in particular for J=0⁺ pairs which explore the degree of superfluidity of the nucleus

In view of the plans to measure the decay of 150 Nd at SNO, t is crucial to explore the influence in the NME of the difference in deformation between the initial and final nucleus, because 150 Sm is much more deformed than 150 Nd

The ultimate goal is to be able to reduce the present uncertainties and the dispersion of the NME's calculated with different methods agreeing a protocol of quality marks related to the previous list of observables. The present status of the NME's is shown in the graph below. The shadowed areas give an idea of the present uncertainties.



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Alexander Knebe

Alexander Knebe (RyC Investigator)

Alternative Cosmologies

MW

WDM

CDM

Near-Field Cosmology



- · Warm Dark Matter (right) · Vector Dark Energy
- · Coupled Dark Matter-Dark Energy
- · Modified Newtonian Dynamics

High-Performance Computing

· galaxy finder for simulations (left) · parallel algorithms · code verification projects



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E.A: Present activities

Vacuum energy decay : does Λ has an imaginary part ?

Transverse gravity: different weight for kinetic and potential energy

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Conformal invariance

Enrique Alvarez



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> * **LHC phenomenology**: Alvaro de Rujula

Alvaro de Rujula

Recent Interests of Alvaro De Rújula

The extraction of the spin, parity and coupling properties of a Higgs-Boson candidate particle in the "golden" channel: H to ZZ to leptons [1]

The alleged violation of QED in muonic Hydrogen [2]

Phase-space techniques to optimize the measurement of the mass of a W in a hadronic collider [3]

Phase-space techniques to maximize the information on a Higgs-Boson candidate in the "workhorse" channel: H to WW to leptons [4]

Current Interests, a continuation of [1,3,4]

The construction of a "Sieve": an optimized multi-dimensional filter of signal vs backgrounds for a Higgs-Boson candidate in the channel WW to leptons

The development of similar sieves to the search for dark-matter candidates at the hadron colliders

in **Pisibles** neutrinos, dark matter & dark energy physics



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