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Physics at the interface: Energy, Intensity, and Cosmic frontiers

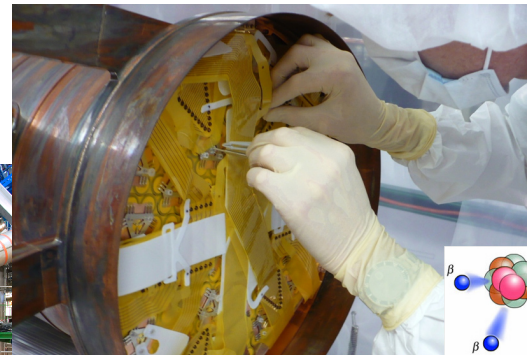
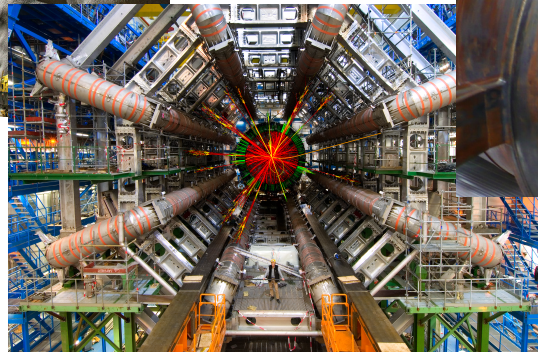
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Welcome to the ACFI !



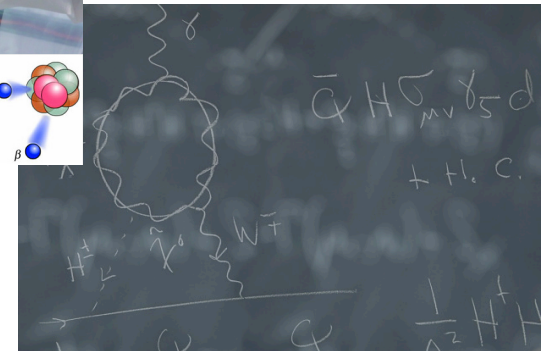
**LUX/LZ &
DarkSide**

ATLAS



EXO

Theory





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We seek answers to key open questions about nature's fundamental interactions, such as:

Why is there more matter than anti-matter in the Universe?

What additional forces were active during the first moments after the Big Bang?

How are protons and neutrons put together?

Our mission:

Advancing research in theoretical and experimental physics at the interface of the Energy, Intensity, and Cosmic frontiers.

<http://www.physics.umass.edu/acfi/>



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Activities

- **Core Research (in house):** *ATLAS, EXO, LUX/LZ, DarkSide, J Lab parity & chiral, RHIC Spin, Borexino, Theory*
- **Targeted Workshops:** *Hadronic Probes, Lambda & Quasi Lambda, Higgs Portal,...*
- **Visiting Researchers:** *Ph.D. students (Australia, China), post-docs, faculty & senior researchers*



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Past Workshops

- *Hadronic Probes of Fundamental Symmetries*
- *Lambda and Quasi-Lambda*
- *Unlocking the Higgs Portal*
- *Measuring the Neutron Lifetime*
- *Fundamental Symmetry Tests w/ Rare Isotopes*
- *Time-Reversal Tests in Nuclear & Hadronic Processes*
- *Hadronic Matrix Elements for Probes of CP-Violation*
- *The CP Nature of the Higgs Boson*
- *Probing the EW Phase Transition at a Next Gen PP Collider*
- *LHC Searches for Long-Live BSM Particles*
- *Neutrino Mass: From the Terrestrial Laboratory to the Cosmos*
- *Recent Developments in Semiclassical Probes of QFT's*
- *Northeast Gravity Workshop*
- *Making the EWPT (Theoretically) Strong*
- *Neutrinos at the High Energy Frontier*
- *The Electroweak Box*



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Neutron Lifetime

arXiv:1410.5311

Determination of the Free Neutron Lifetime

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Hadronic Probes



J Lab proposal & Physics Reports



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EWPT @ 100 TeV
arXiv: 1606.09408

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Unlocking the Higgs Portal
arXiv: 1604.05324

Physics at a 100 TeV pp collider: Higgs and EW symmetry breaking studies

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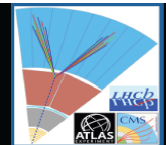


Long Lived Particles @ LHC

LHC **LLP** Community White Paper

Collecting the efforts of several workshops

- “LLP Signatures” — UMass — Nov. 2015
- “Experimental Challenges” — KITP — May 2016
- LHC LLP Mini-Workshop — CERN — May 2016 & April 2017





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Other Meetings & Events

- **International Workshop on Baryon & Lepton Number Violation: 2015**
- **School on the Physics of Electric Dipole Moments: 2016**
- **Nuclear Theory Topical Collaboration: Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay & EDMs: 2017**



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Upcoming Workshops & Schools

- **School on Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay (November 1-4, 2017)**
- **Testing Baryogenesis (Spring 2018)**



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Support

- *Seed funding from UMass Amherst*
- *Department of Energy Office of Nuclear Physics (2018+)*
- *National Science Foundation (NLDBD School)*



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Meeting Logistics

- **Wireless Network: UMASS (usr & pw in packet)**
- **Lunch: on campus**
- **School Dinner: Tues @ Monkey Bar Bistro, 6:30 pm**
Wed-Thurs: on own in Amherst Center
- **Schedule: online**
- **People: students, post-docs, staff (Brittany Bonenfant)**
- **Espresso !**



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This School: Motivation & Goals

- **Provide experimentalists an opportunity to go more deeply into the physics of $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decay**
- **Provide an opportunity to ask lots of questions**
- **Provide some background on connections to other areas of research: nuclear & hadronic structure, high energy physics, cosmology**
- **Challenge you to sharpen your presentation of the theoretical side (homework exercise)**