

THE CONTINUING QUEST FOR THE MAGNETIC MONOPOLE



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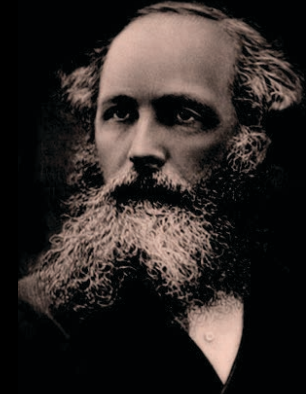
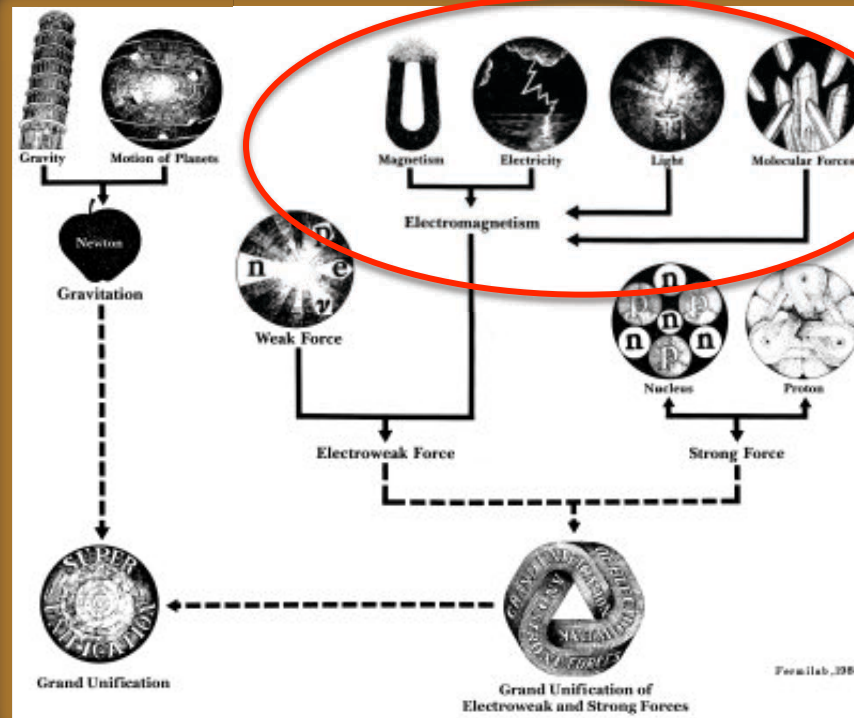
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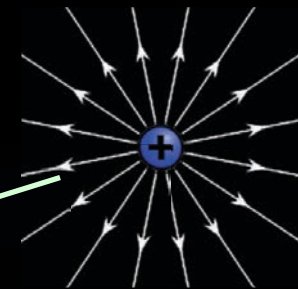


Maxwell's Grand Unification



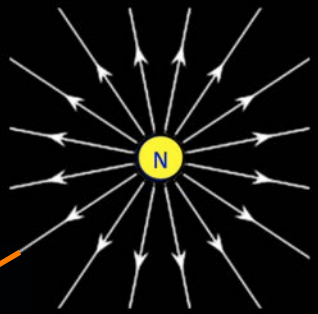
- *Maxwell, in 1873, makes the connection between electricity & magnetism – the Victorian Grand Unified Theory!*
- *The theoretical work that led him to this unification was mostly carried out King's College London*

Monopoles Symmetrize Maxwell's Eqns



ELECTRIC CHARGE

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} &= \rho_E \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} &= \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \vec{j}_E\end{aligned}$$



MAGNETIC CHARGE

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} &= \rho_E \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} &= \rho_M \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} - \vec{j}_M \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} &= \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \vec{j}_E\end{aligned}$$

- *The symmetrized Maxwell's equations are invariant under rotations in the plane of the electric and magnetic field*
- *This symmetry is called Duality - the distinction between electric and magnetic charge is merely one of definition*



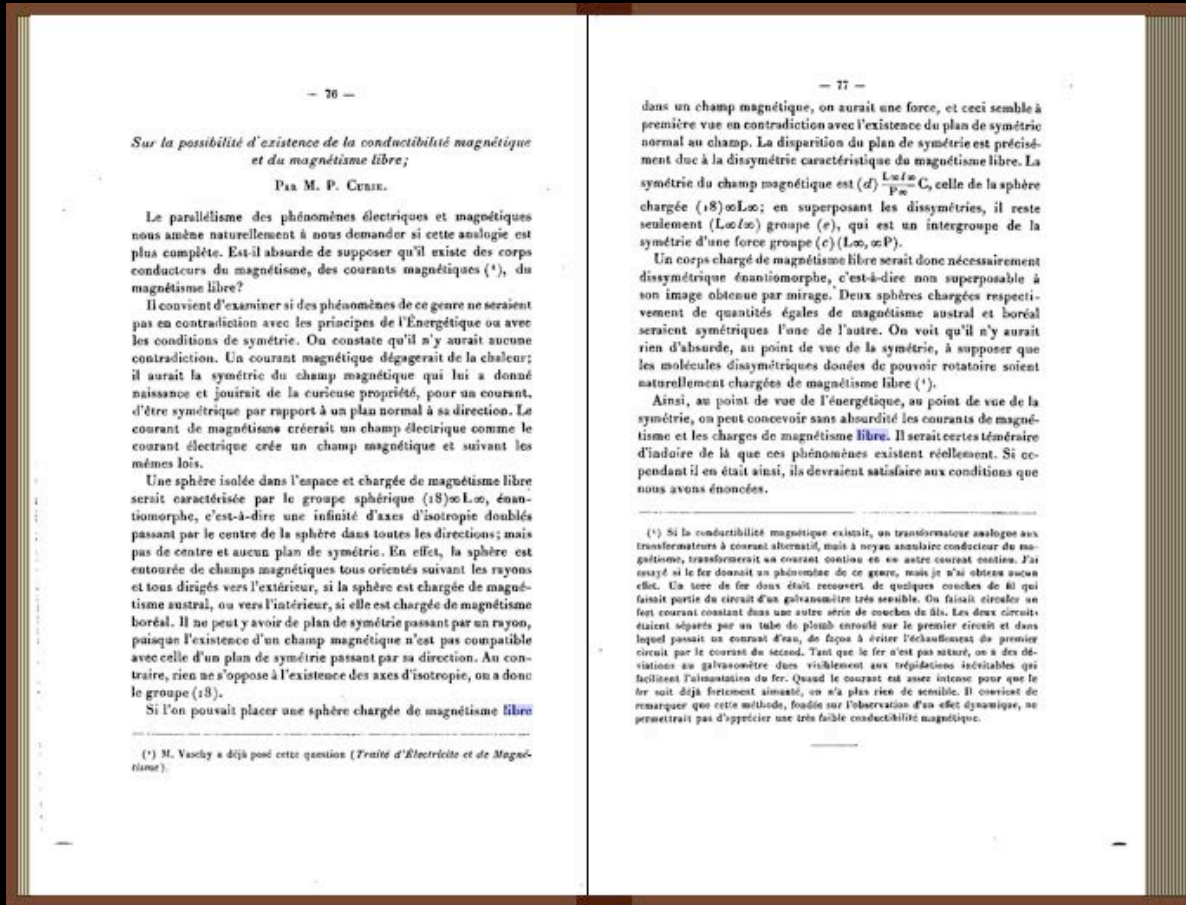
Oliver Heaviside's Magnetons

- *Maxwell's formulation of EM consisted of 20 equations in 20 variables!*
 - *Oliver Heaviside replaced Maxwell's EM potential by 'force fields' as the centerpiece of EM theory.*
 - *He used vector calculus to reformulate these equations into 4 equations in 4 variables (B , E , J , and ρ), the form we use today*
 - *Heaviside used the idea of magnetic charges called magnetons but as a construction only*
- *Dirac became familiar with Heaviside's work while he was training to be an electrical engineer*





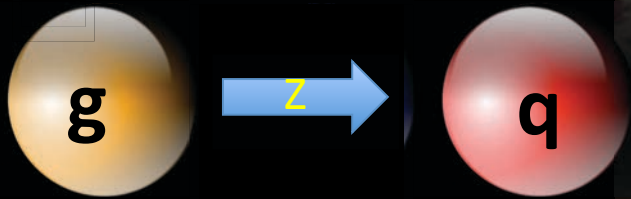
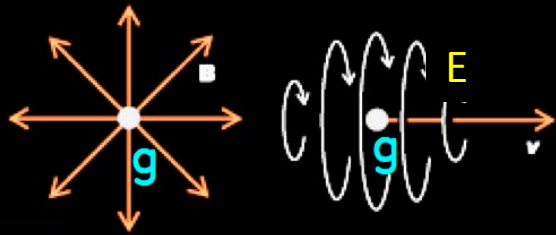
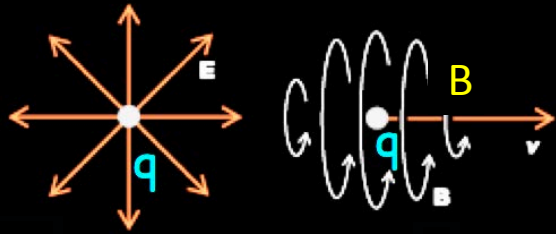
Maxwell's Asymmetric Equations



- Pierre Curie was the first to suggest that Magnetic Monopoles could exist (Seances, Société Française de Physique, 1894)
- We are now at the 120th anniversary of the monopole search!



Thomson's & Poincare's Monopole

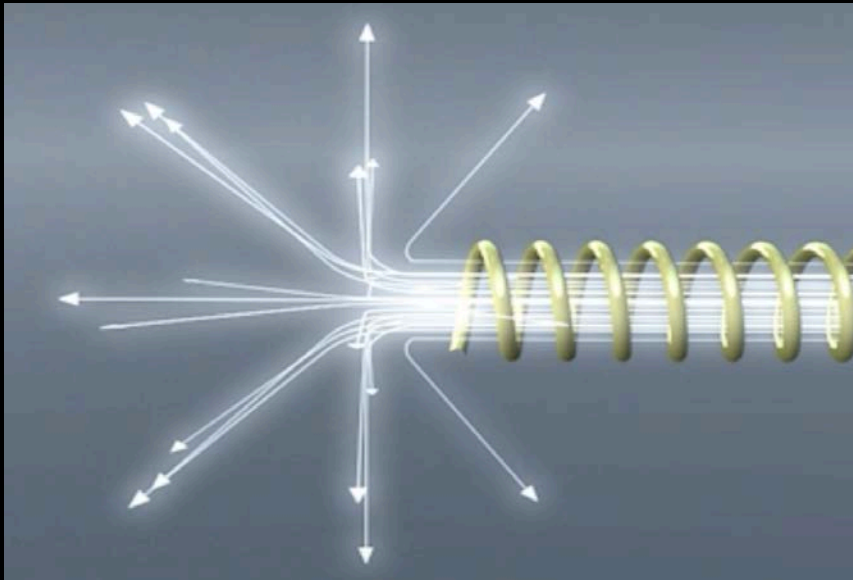


In 1904 Thomson published a paper in which he considered an electric charge (e) – magnetic monopole (g) system

- He found the angular momentum of the EM field of this system in the direction shown $J_z = eg/c$*
- By invoking the quantization rule for angular momentum we can write $eg/c = n\hbar/2 \rightarrow$ Dirac's quantization rule!*



Dirac's Monopole



- In 1931 Dirac hypothesized that the Monopole exists as the end of an infinitely long and thin solenoid - the “Dirac String”
- Requiring that the string is not seen gives us the Dirac Quantization Condition & explains the quantization of charge!

$$ge = \left[\frac{\hbar c}{2} \right] n \text{ OR } g = \frac{n}{2\alpha} e \text{ (from } \frac{4\pi e g}{\hbar c} = 2\pi n \text{ } n = 1, 2, 3..)$$



Schwinger's Dyon

22 August 1969, Volume 165, Number 3895

SCIENCE

A Magnetic Model of Matter

A speculation probes deep within the structure of nuclear particles and predicts a new form of matter.

Julian Schwinger

And now we might add something concerning a certain most subtle Spirit, which pervades and lies hid in all gross bodies.

—Newton

and hypercharge, which serve also to specify the electric charge of the particle. What is the dynamical meaning of these properties that are related to but distinct from electric charge? In

never seriously doubted that here was the missing general principle referred to in 2). And Dirac himself noted the basis for the reconciliation called for in 1). The law of reciprocal electric and magnetic charge quantization is such that the unit of magnetic charge, deduced from the known unit of electric charge, is quite large. It should be very difficult to separate opposite magnetic charges in what is normally magnetically neutral matter. Thus, through the unquestioned quantitative asymmetry between electric and magnetic charge, their qualitative relationship might be upheld.

What is new is the proposed contact with the mysteries noted under 3) and



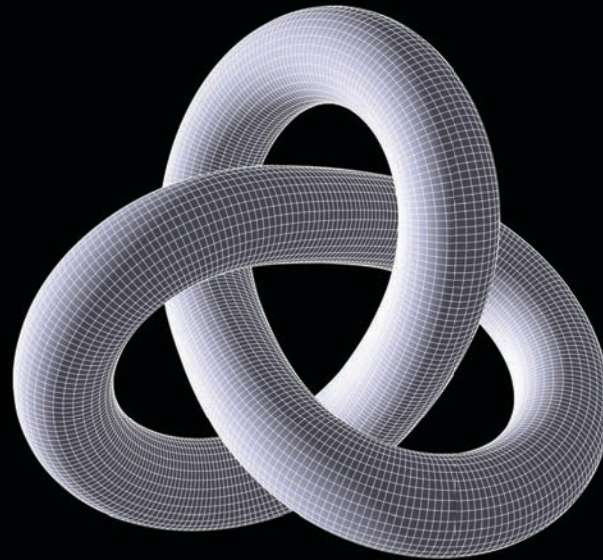
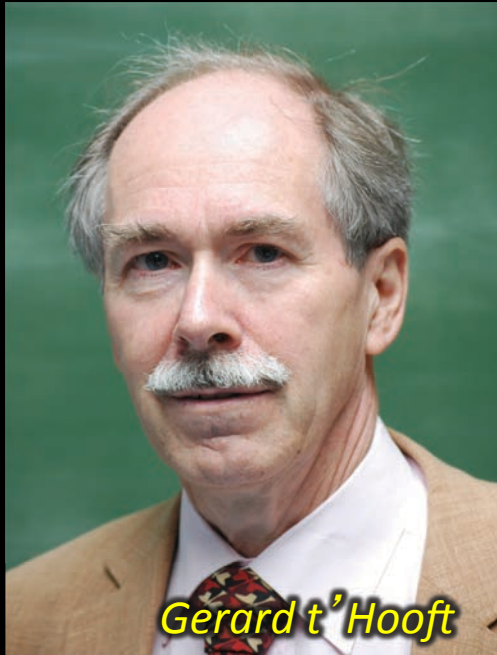
- Postulated a “dyon” that carries electric & magnetic charge
- Quantisation of angular momentum with two dyons (q_{e1}, q_{m1}) and (q_{e2}, q_{m2}) yields

$$(q_{e1}, q_{m1}) - (q_{e2}, q_{m2}) = 2nh/m_0 \quad (n \text{ is an integer})$$

- Fundamental magnetic charge is now $2g_D$
 - If the fundamental charge is $1/3$ (d-quark) as the fundamental electric charge then the fundamental magnetic charge becomes $6g_D$



The 't Hooft-Polyakov Monopole



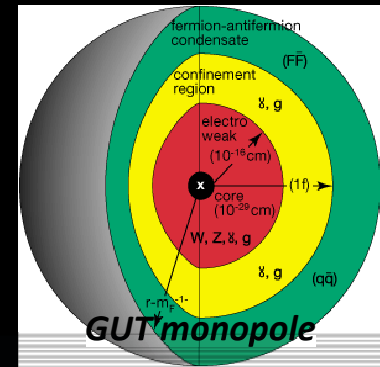
Topological soliton



- In 1974 't Hooft and Polyakov showed that monopoles exist with the framework of Grand Unified Theories
 - Such monopoles are topological solitons (stable, non dissipative, finite energy solutions) with a topological charge
 - The topology of the soliton's field configuration gives stability EG like a trefoil knot



The GUT Monopole



- **A symmetry-breaking phase transition caused the creation of topological defects as the universe froze out at the GUT trans.**
 - The GUM is a tiny replica of the Big Bang with mass $\sim 0.2 \mu\text{g}$ (10^{17} GeV)
 - GUT monopoles should comprise $10^{11} \times \rho_{\text{critical}}$ of the Universe !!
 - Guth introduced the inflationary scenario to dilute the monopoles to an acceptable level and also solve the horizon and flatness problems.
- **Lighter “Intermediate Mass Monopoles” can be produced at later Phase Transitions – mass 10^{10} GeV or lower**

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 SO(10) & \xrightarrow{10^{15} \text{ GeV}} & SU(4) \times SU(2) \times SU(2) & \xrightarrow{10^9 \text{ GeV}} & SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1) \\
 & & 10^{-35} \text{ g} & & 10^{-23} \text{ g}
 \end{array}$$



GUT Monopole Catalysis of p -Decay

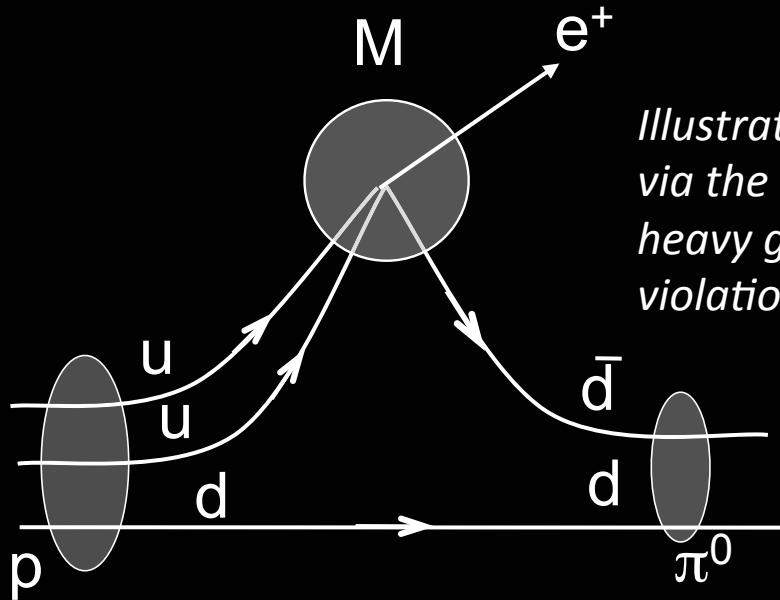
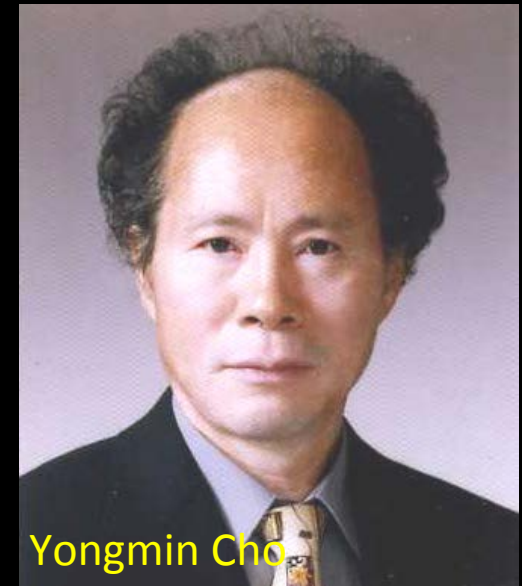


Illustration of monopole catalysis of proton decay via the Rubakov-Callan Mechanism via super heavy gauge bosons that mediate baryon number violation

- *The central core of the GUT retains the original symmetry containing the field of the superheavy “X” all quarks and leptons are here essentially indistinguishable*
- *Protons can be induced to decay with $\sigma_B \beta \sim 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^2$ - giving a line of catalyzed proton decays on the trail of the monopole*
- *One can search for non relativistic monopoles at water/ice detectors (IceCube, KamioKande, etc.) using catalysis*



The Cho-Maison Magnetic Monopole



Yongmin Cho



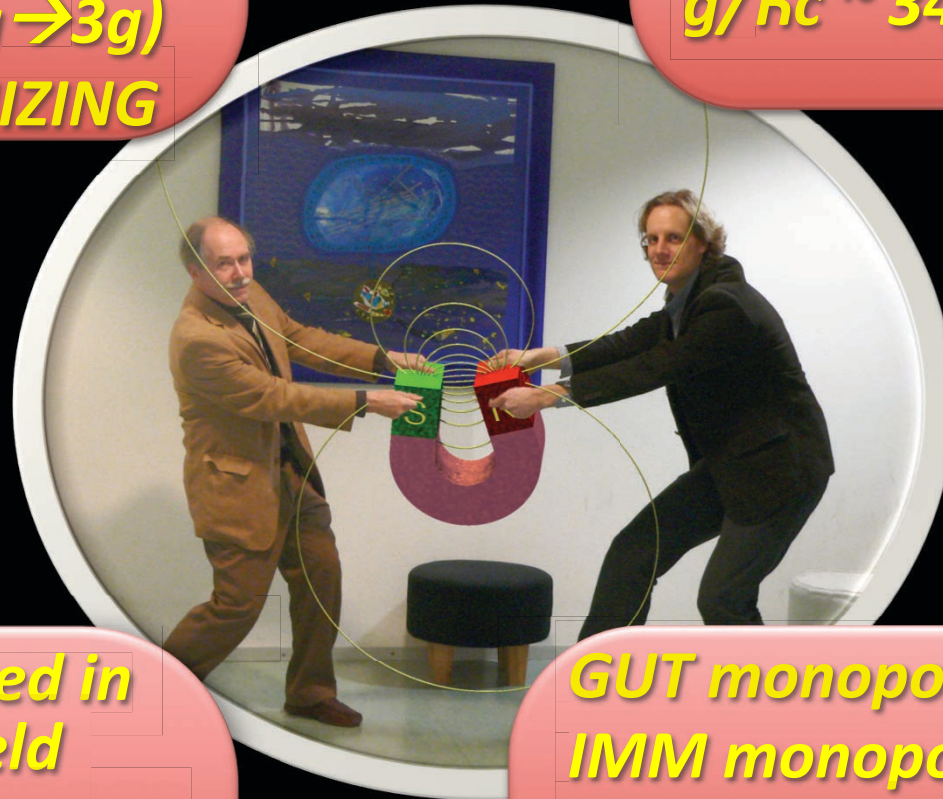
- *Yongmin Cho's pioneering paper in 1986 envisioned a spherically symmetric Electroweak Monopole, with:*
 - *Magnetic charge $2g_D$ & mass potentially in the range $4 \rightarrow 7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$*
 - *The Cho monopole is a non-trivial hybrid between the abelian Dirac monopole & the non-abelian 't Hooft-Polyakov monopole*
 - *The Cho-Maison monopole would be detectable by MoEDAL*



Magnetic Monopole Properties

Magnetic charge
 $= ng = n68.5e$
(if $e \rightarrow 1/3e$; $g \rightarrow 3g$)
HIGHLY IONIZING

Coupling constant =
 $g/\hbar c \sim 34$. Spin $1/2$?



Energy acquired in
a magnetic field
 $= 2.06 \text{ MeV/gauss.m}$
 $= 2 \text{ TeV in a } 10 \text{ m,}$
10T LHC magnet

GUT monopoles $\sim 10^{17} \text{ GeV}$
IMM monopoles mass as
low as 10^7 GeV
4-7 TeV EW monopole



The Ways to get High Ionization

- **Electric charge** - ionization increases with increasing charge & falling velocity β ($\beta=v/c$) – use Z/β as an indicator of ionization

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = K z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{\max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta}{2} \right]$$

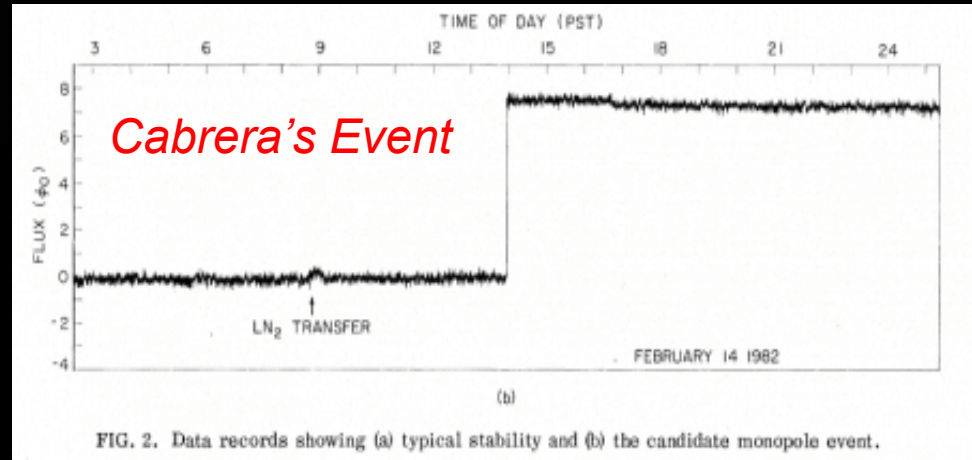
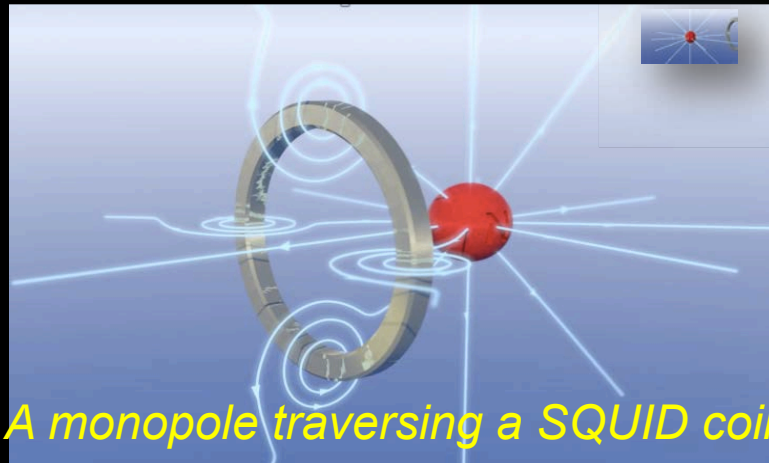
- **Magnetic charge** - ionization increases with magnetic charge and decreases with velocity β – a unique signature

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = K \frac{Z}{A} g^2 \left[\ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{I_m} + \frac{K |g|}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - B(g) \right]$$

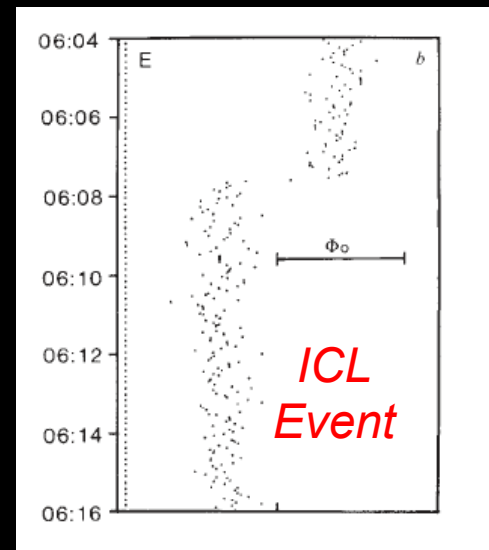
- The velocity dependence of the Lorentz force cancels $1/\beta^2$ term
- The ionization of a relativistic monopole is $(ng)^2$ times that of a relativistic proton i.e $4700n^2!!$ ($n=1,2,3...$)



Induction Experiments - Evidence?



- *Data from Cabrera's apparatus taken on St Valentine's day in 1982 ($A=20 \text{ cm}^2$).*
- *The trace shows a jump – just before 2pm - that one would expect from a monopole traversing the coil.*
- *In August 1985 a groups at ICL reported the: "observation of an unexplained event" compatible with a monopole traversing the detector ($A= 0.18 \text{ m}^2$)*
- *SAME TECHNOLOGY IS UTILIZED BY MoEDAL*



Looking for Monopoles at the LHC



MoEDAL the 7th LHC Experiment

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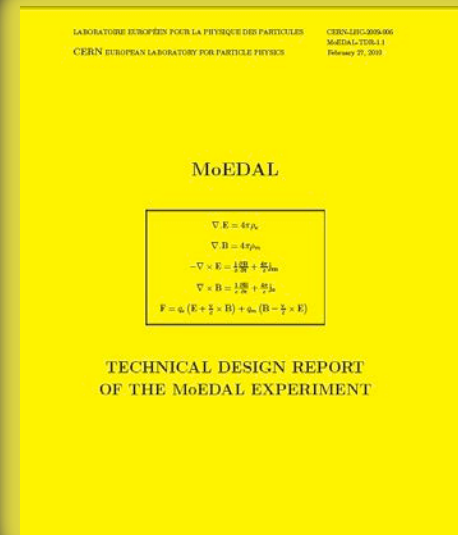
May 5, 2010

MoEDAL becomes the LHC's magnificent seventh

A new experiment is set to join the LHC fold. As James Pinfold explains, MoEDAL will conduct the search for magnetic monopoles.

Résumé

MoEDAL devient la septième expérience du LHC



- The MoEDAL experiment the 7th LHC experiment was officially approved by the CERN Research Board on March 3rd 2010
- MoEDAL shares the 8th LHC IP with the LHCb experiment
- MoEDAL is an array of passive Nuclear Track-Etch Detectors & Trapping Detectors - with a MediPix chip online radiation monitor system
- MoEDAL will start taking data at the LHC in the Spring 2015



Where is the MoEDAL Experiment?

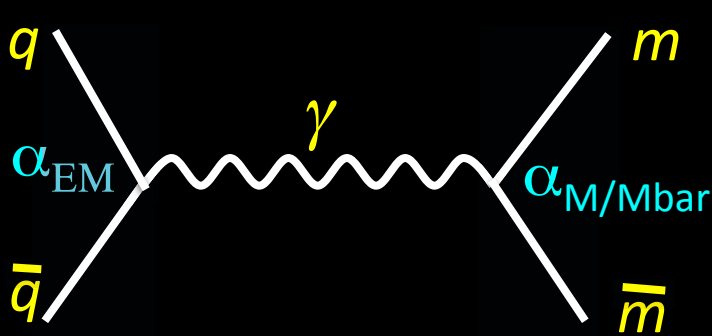


MoEDAL shares intersection point 8 on the LHC ring with LHCb

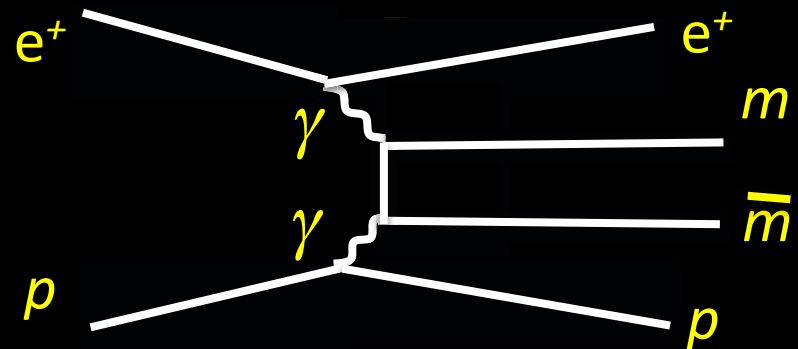


Monopole Production at Colliders

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow M\bar{M}, pp \rightarrow M\bar{M}, e^+p \rightarrow e^+pM\bar{M}, \text{ etc.}$$

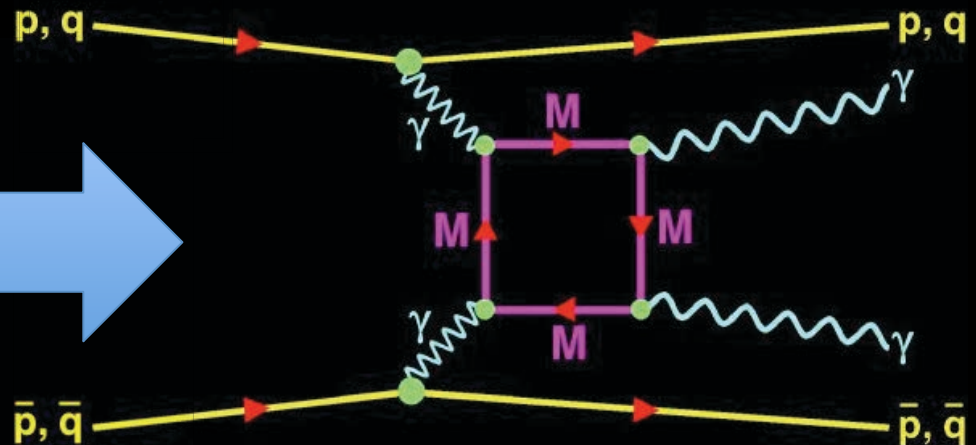


Drell-Yan Production



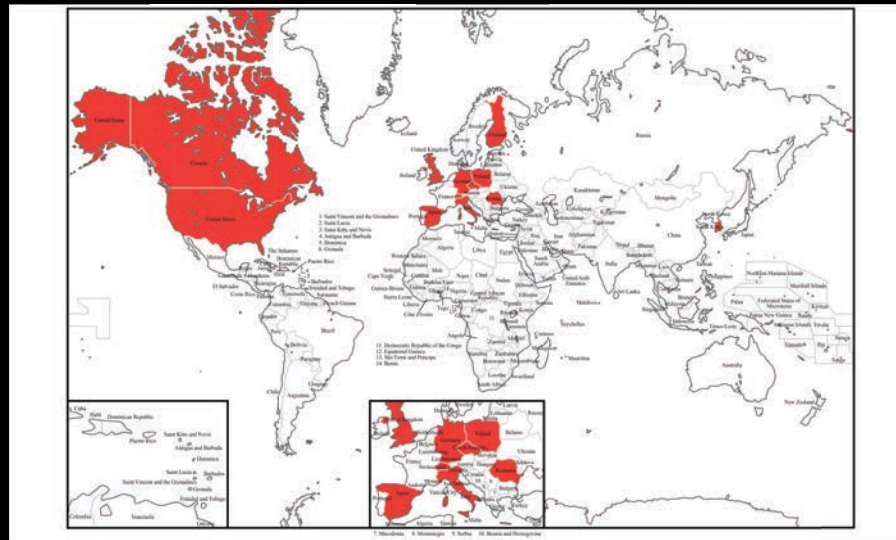
Two-photon production

Indirect search using virtual monopole box diagrams allow – observable two high energy gammas.





The Collaboration



● **Now 64 physicists from 12 countries and 21 institutions:**

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Physics Program (34 Scenarios)

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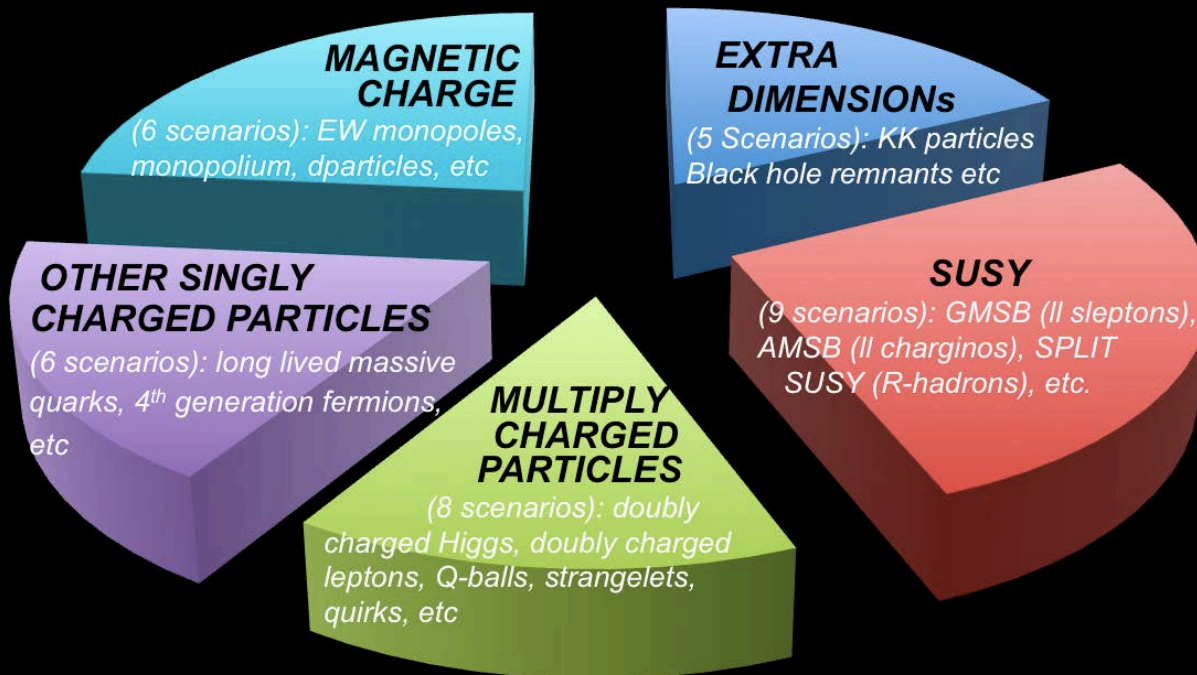
The Physics Programme Of The MoEDAL Experiment At The LHC

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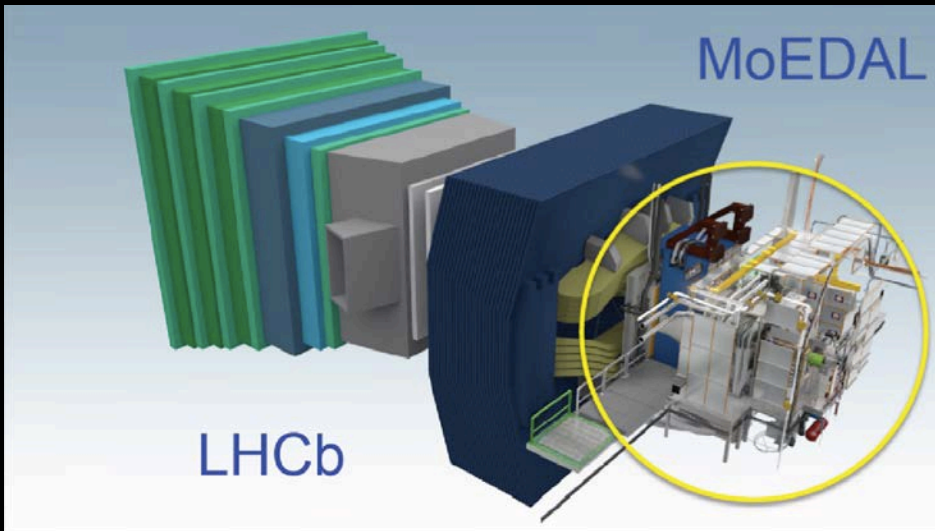
The MoEDAL experiment at Point 8 of the LHC ring is the seventh and newest LHC experiment. It is dedicated to the search for highly ionizing particle avatars of physics beyond the Standard Model, extending significantly the discovery horizon of the LHC. A MoEDAL discovery would have revolutionary implications for our fundamental understanding of the Microcosm. MoEDAL is an unconventional and largely passive LHC detector comprised of the largest array of Nuclear Track Detector stacks ever deployed at an accelerator, surrounding the intersection region at Point 8 on the LHC ring. Another novel feature is the use of paramagnetic trapping volumes to capture both electrically and magnetically charged highly-ionizing particles predicted in new physics scenarios. It includes an array of TimePix pixel devices for monitoring highly-ionizing particle backgrounds. The main passive elements of the MoEDAL detector do not require a trigger system, electronic readout, or online computerized data acquisition. The aim of this paper is to give an overview of the MoEDAL physics reach, which is largely complementary to the programs of the large multi-purpose LHC detectors ATLAS and CMS.



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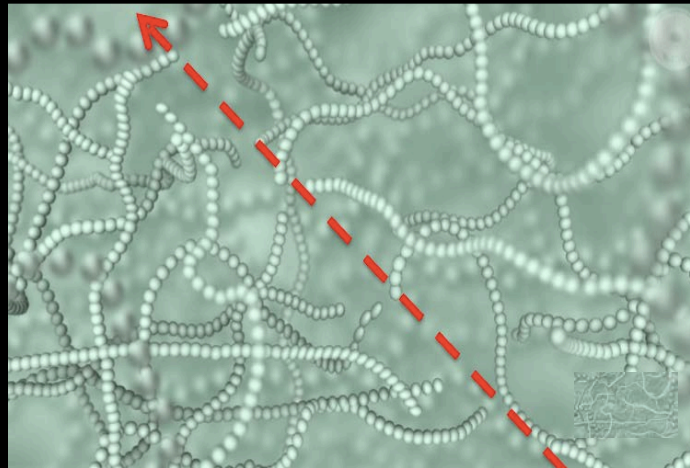
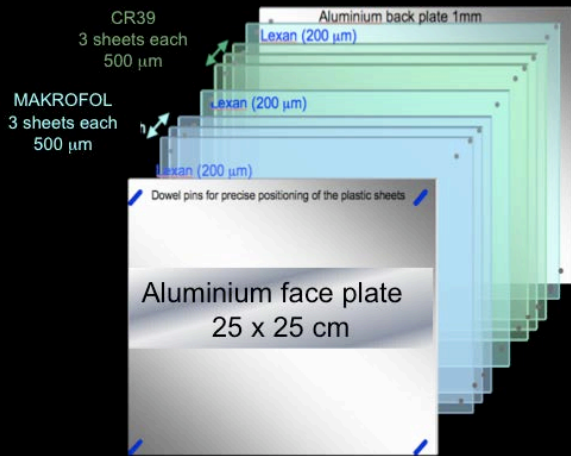
The MoEDAL Experiment



- *The MoEDAL detector design consists of 4 subdetectors, the:*
 - *Low Threshold ($\geq 5xMIP$) Nuclear Track Detector (LT-NTD) system*
 - *High Charge Catcher (HCC) NTD array ($\geq 50 xMIP$)*
 - *Magnetic Monopole/Exotics Trapper (MMT) Al trapping volumes*
 - *TimePix pixel device (TMPX) array online radiation monitoring system*



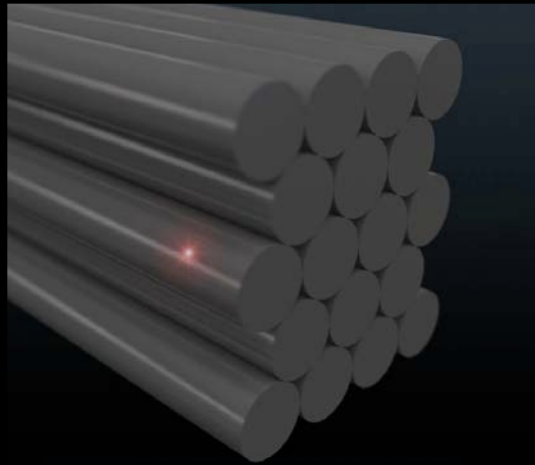
The Nuclear Track Detector System



- **Largest array (150 m² of NTDs every deployed at an accelerator**
 - Plastic NTD stacks consist of CR39 (threshold 5 MiPs) and Makrofol (50 MiPs) – that are “damaged” by the highly ionizing particle
 - The damage is revealed by controlled etching in a hot Sodium Hydroxide solution – etch pits are formed
 - Charge resolution is $\sim 0.1 |e|$, where $|e|$ is the electron charge
- **NTD system acts like a giant camera that is only sensitive to new physics - no known SM backgrounds**



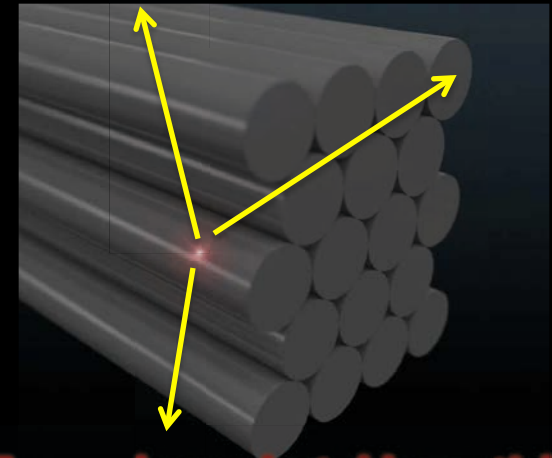
The Trapping Detector System



Trapped monopole



SQUID magnetometer (ETH Zurich)



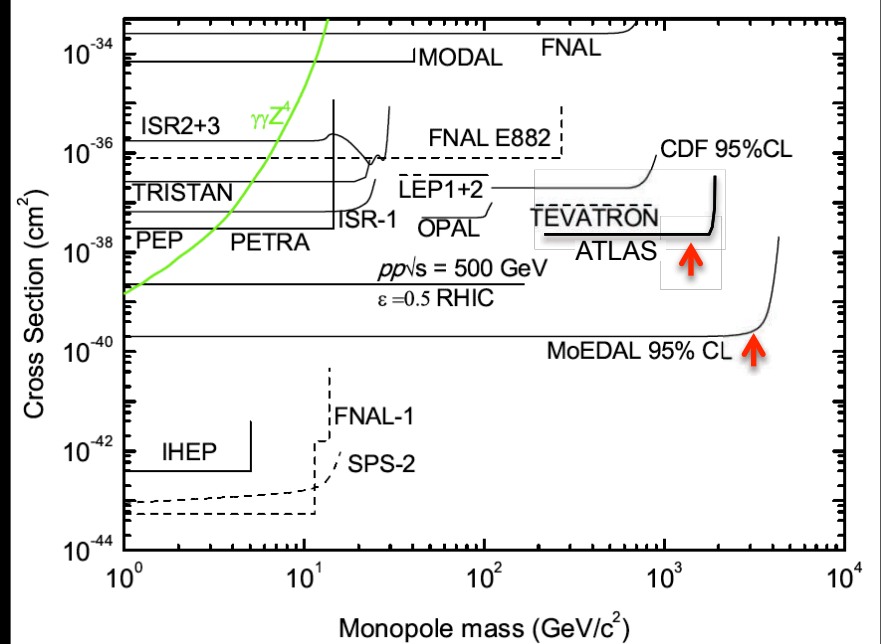
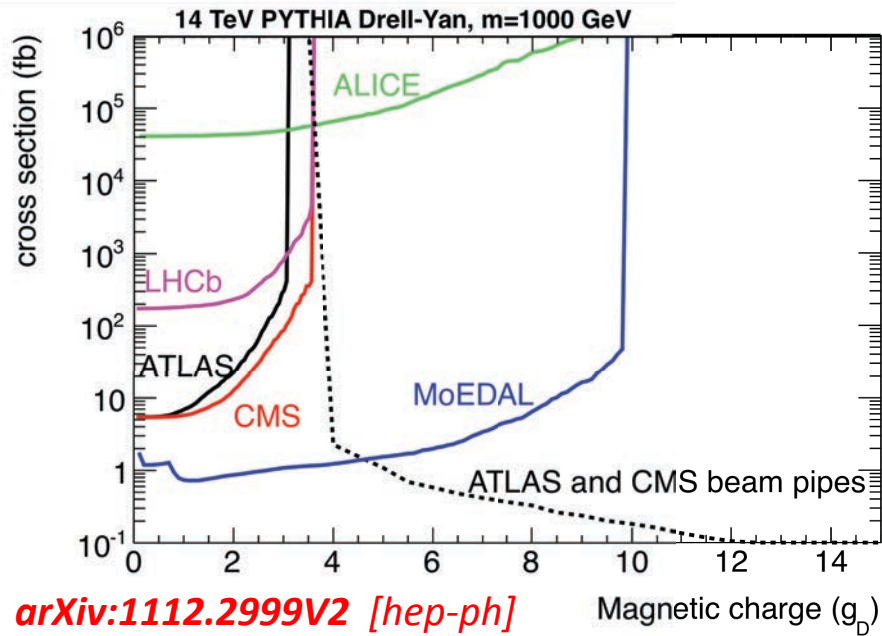
Trapped pseudostable particle decaying to charged particles

- *We will deploy trapping volumes (~1 tonne) in the MoEDAL/VELO Cavern to trap highly ionizing particles*
 - *The binding energies of monopoles in nuclei with finite magnetic dipole moments are estimated to be hundreds of keV*
- *After exposure the traps are removed and sent to:*
 - *The SQUID magnetometer at ETH Zurich for Monopole detection*
 - *Underground lab to detect decays of MSPs*



MoEDAL Sensitivity

detector	energy threshold	angular coverage	luminosity	robust against timing	robust efficiency
ATLAS	medium	central	high	no	no
CMS	relatively low	central	high	no	no
ALICE	very low	very central	low	yes	no
LHCb	medium	forward	medium	no	no
MoEDAL	low ✓	full ✓	medium ✓	yes ✓	yes ✓





MoEDAL's Complementarity

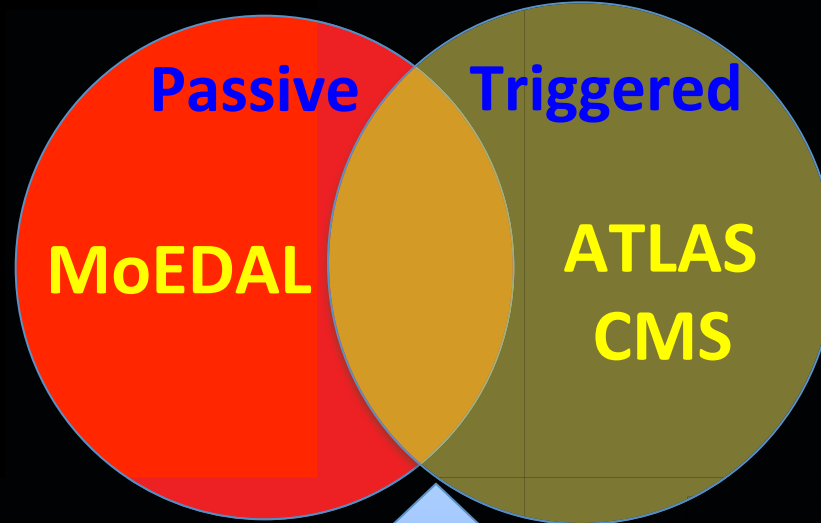
Optimized for highly ionizing particles

Insensitive to SM particles

Sensitive to very long-lived particles

Can directly detect & trap magnetic charge

Calibrated by heavy-ions



Optimized for SM relativistic MIPs & photons

Difficult to measure every slow decays

Cannot detect magnetic charge

Cannot be directly calibrated for highly ionizing particles

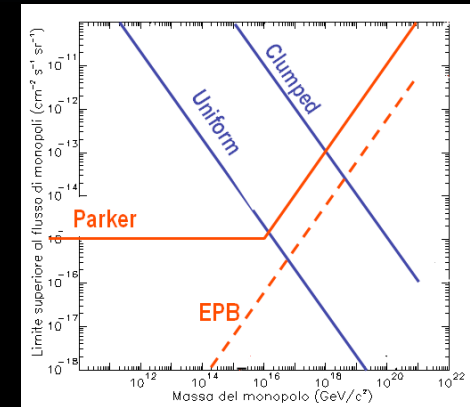
The totally different systematics and mode of detection of MoEDAL compared to the ATLAS/CMS experiments will yield important validation of and insights into a joint observation of new physics that we hope to see starting in 2015

Searching for Primordial Magnetic monopoles

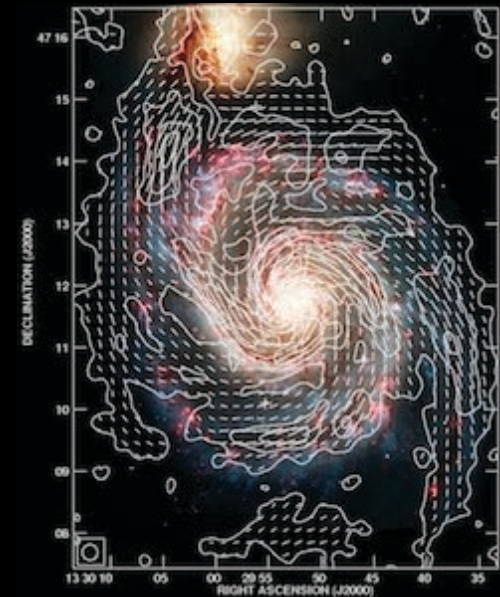


Primordial Monopoles

- **Primordial Monopoles:**
 - GUT monopoles - $m \sim 10^{17}$ GeV
 - IM Monopoles— made in later phase transitions of early universe $m \sim 10^9$ GeV
- **Monopoles accelerate to relativistic speeds in galactic B-fields $\rightarrow \sim 10^{20}$ eV**
- **Parker Bound is an upper limit on the density of magnetic monopoles based on the existence of a galactic B-field.**
 - This bound can be evaded if monopole anti-monopoles pairs are bound
- **Extended Parker Bound - a more stringent limit.**
 - Based on the survival of the small seed field of the protogalaxy



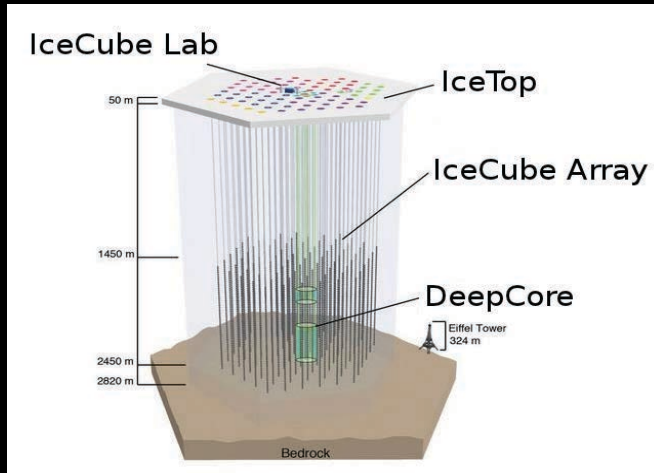
$$F < 10^{-15} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ for } \beta < 3 \times 10^{-3}$$



B-field in spiral galaxies is of order $10 \mu\text{G}$ (microGauss) (Earth's field of order 0.1G)



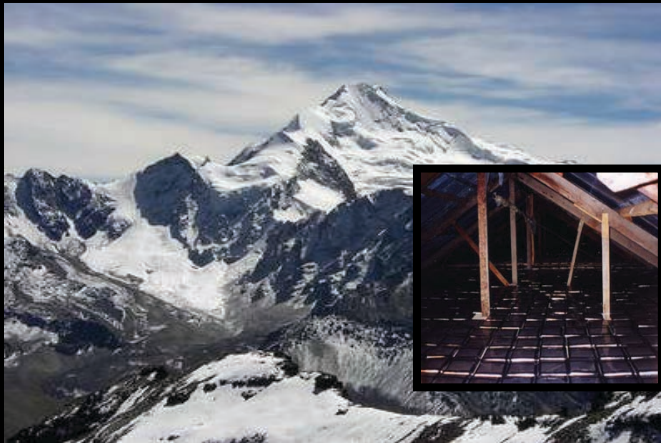
Major Cosmic Monopole Searches



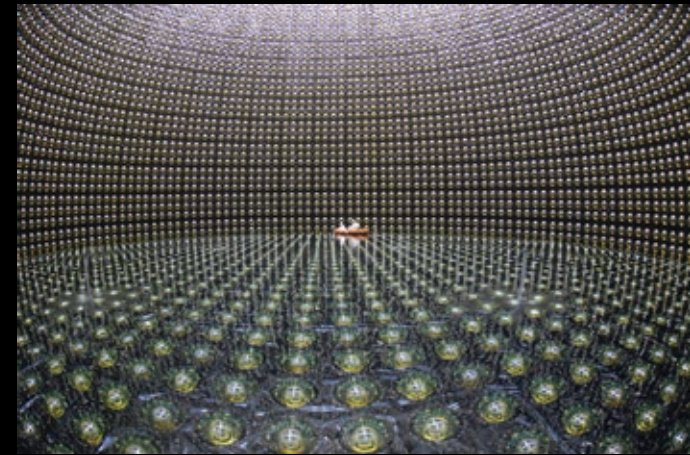
*IceCube (Antarctica: -2.4km) -
Cerenkov emission & catalyzed p-decay*



*MACRO (Gran Sasso: -1400m) -
high ionization*



*SLIM (Chacaltaya: +5200m) -
high ionization*



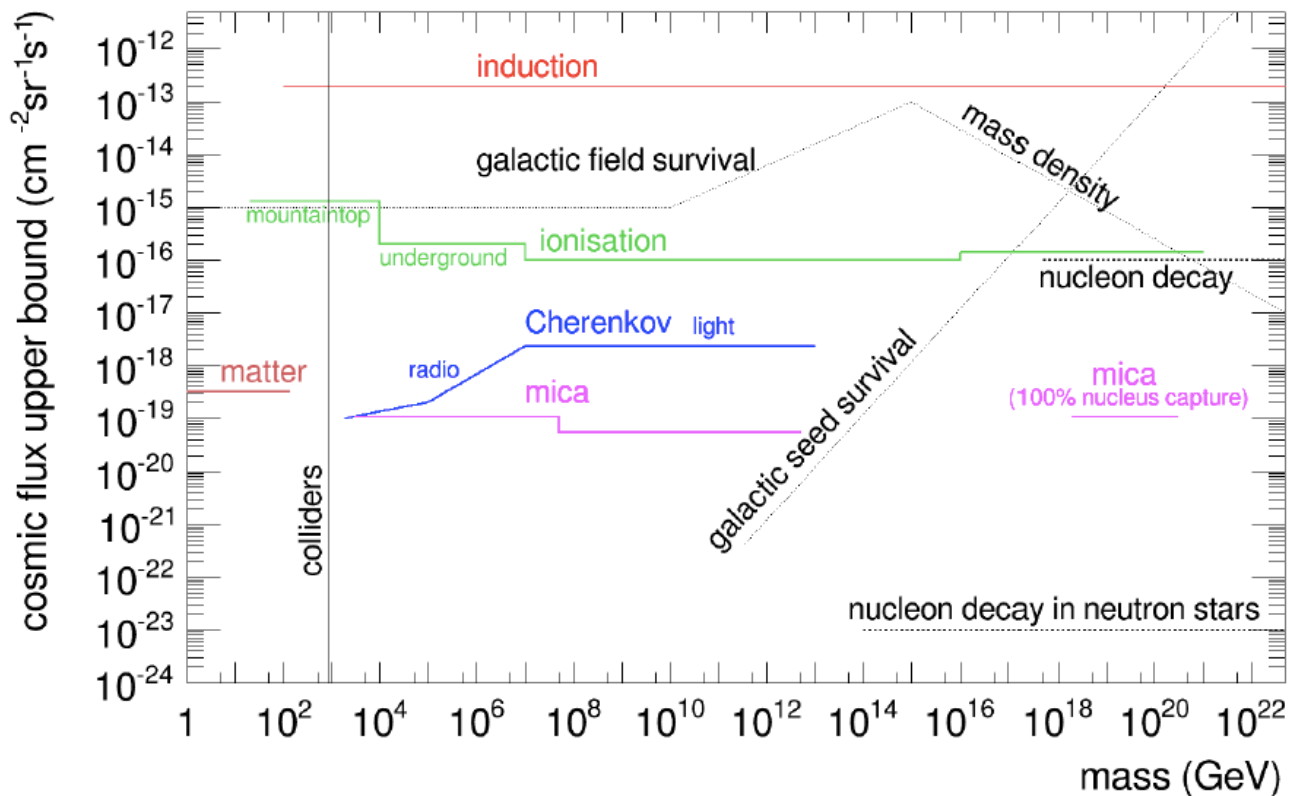
*Super-K (Kamioka: -1000m) -
catalyzed p-decay*



Cosmic Monopole Flux Limits

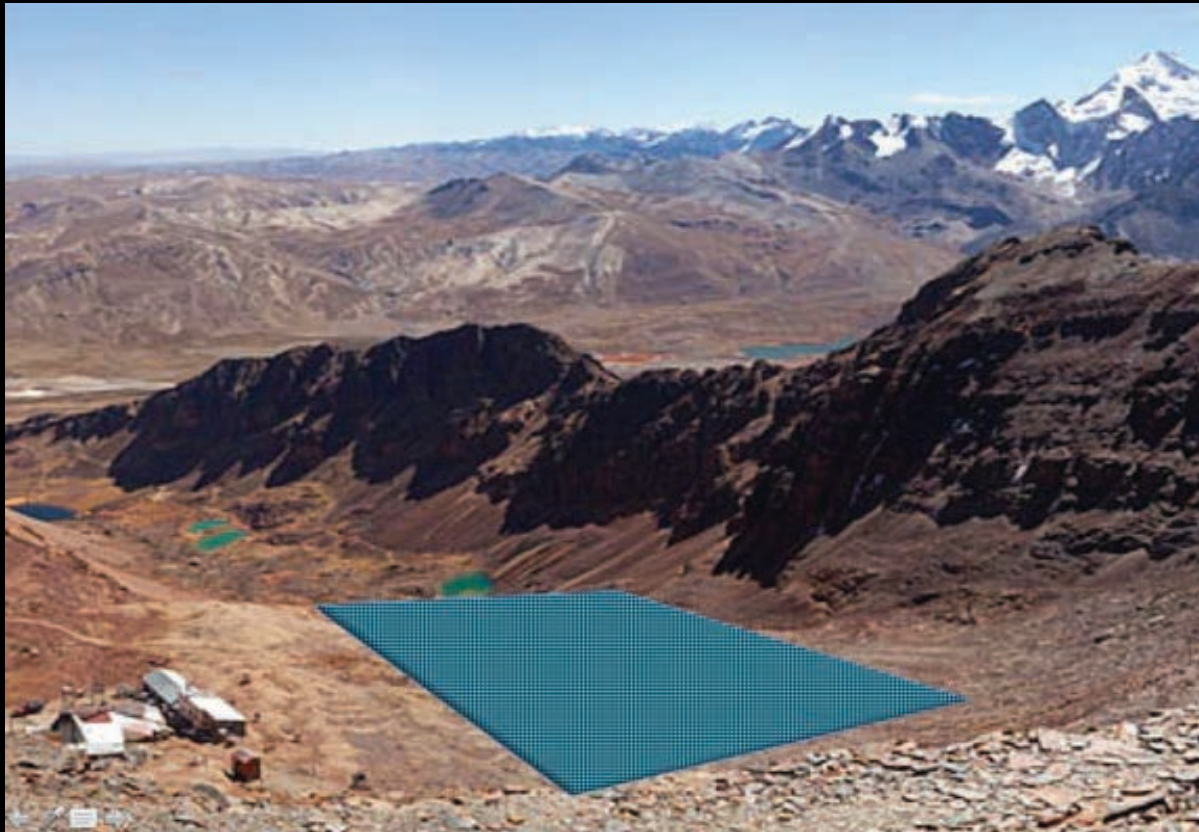
Cosmic monopole flux limits

assuming $E_{\text{kin}} = 10^{13}$ GeV, expected from acceleration in galactic magnetic fields





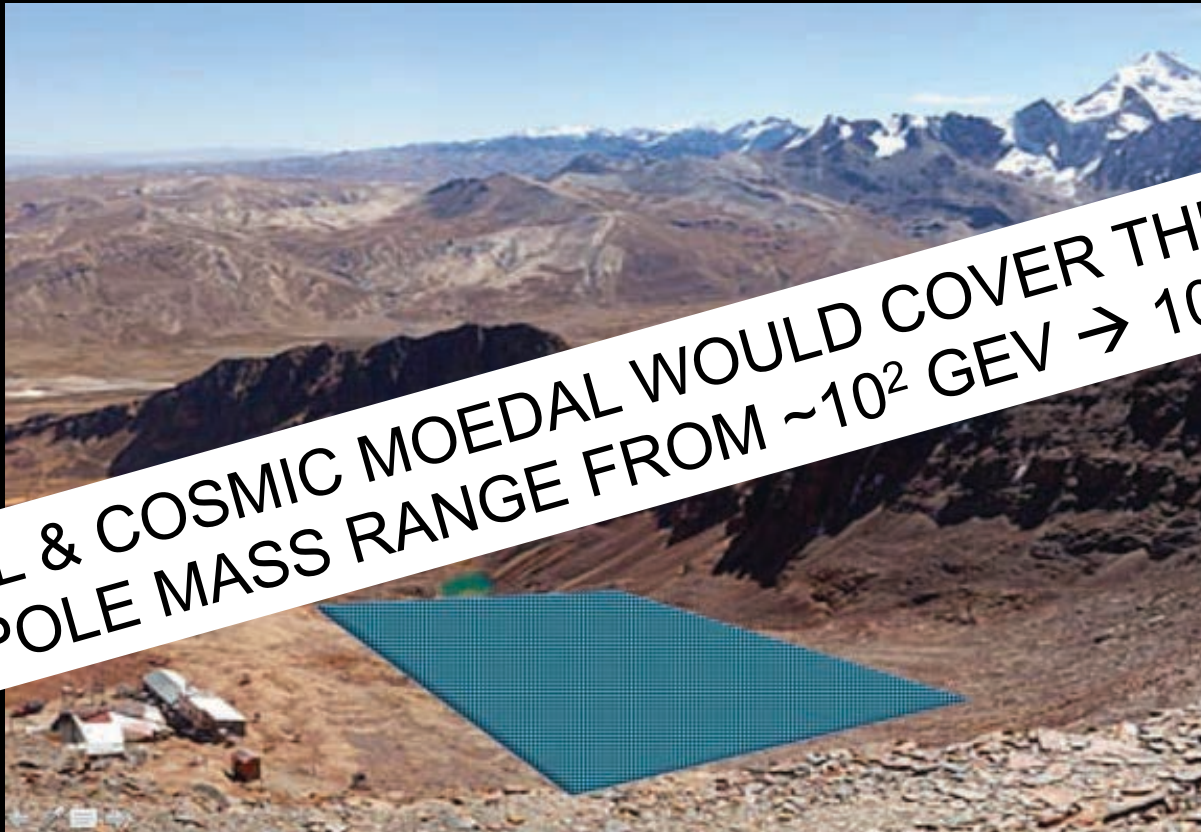
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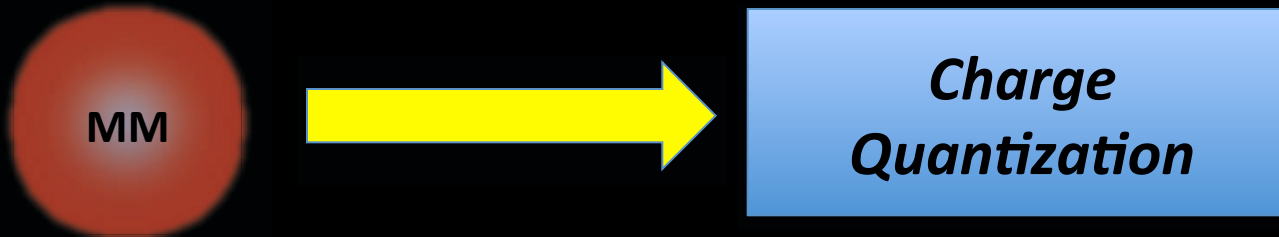
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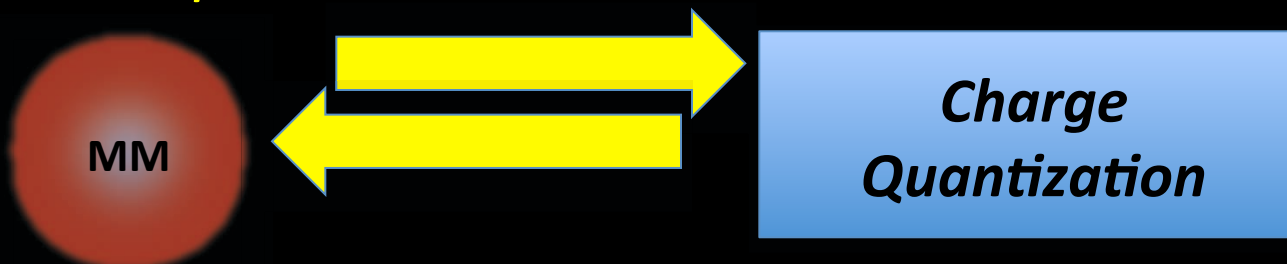
Last Words

The Polchinski Conjecture

- *Dirac showed that the existence of at least one magnetic monopole would explain charge quantization*



- *Thus, the leading string theorist Joseph Polchinski conjectured, any theory requiring charge quantization must have a monopole*

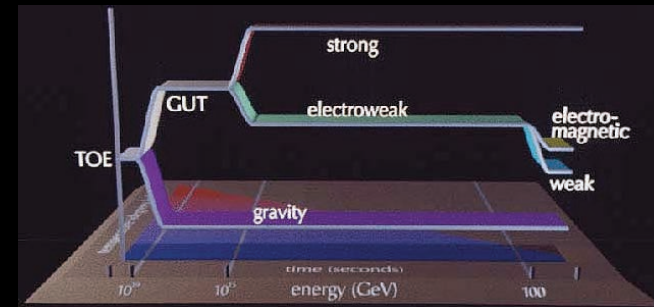


- *He also maintains that in any fully unified theory, for every gauge field there will exist electric and magnetic sources.*



On the Existence of the Monopole

- *The existence of magnetic monopoles is suggested by Electromagnetic theory. But, Grand unified and superstring theories, predict the existence of the monopole.*
- *Dirac felt that he "would be surprised if Nature had made no use of it". It, being the Magnetic Monopole.*
- *Ed Witten once asserted in his Loeb Lecture at Harvard, "almost all theoretical physicists believe in the existence of magnetic monopoles, or at least hope that there is one."*



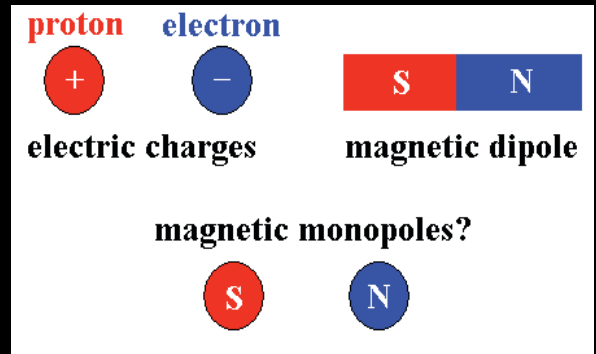
MoEDAL Addresses Fundamental Questions:



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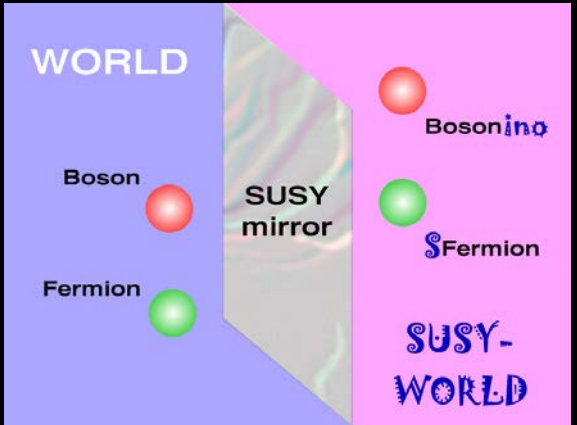
What happened just after the big bang?



Does magnetic charge exist?



What is the nature of Dark matter?



Are there new symmetries of nature?

A new LHC discovery frontier will open at 13-14 TeV in 2015
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