





KATRIN: from Neutrino Mass to Dark Matter

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Who am I?

- New comer to the IJCLab as maître de conférence.
- Joining the DUNE experiment and Fabien Cavalier's team.
- 2014-2017: PhD between APC/CEA about solar and sterile neutrinos with the SOX project and the Borexino experiment.
- 2018-2021: **Postdoc in Susanne Mertens' group** in Max Planck Institute for Physics, Munich about KATRIN.
- Mostly working on neutrino/dark matter physics with an experimental taste.
- During my studies on Orsay's campus: internship @ CSNSM, lecture @ IPNO, Englert's conference on Higgs @ LAL ...
- Looking forward to collaborating with you all!

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This talk is about:



Do sterile neutrinos exist?



What is dark matter?



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Neutrino mass status



Lower bound

from oscillation experiments

Neutrino mass hierarchy



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Neutrino mass measurements



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Determining m, from B-decay: KATRIN

General Idea



Determining m, from B-decay: KATRIN

General Idea Ultra-strong β -source 10¹¹ decays/s Low background level < 0.1 cps Excellent energy resolution ~ 1 eV Precise understanding of spectrum 3H region close to ß end point 0.8 rel. rate [a.u.] ³He 1.0 entire 0.6 $m(v_e) = 0 eV$ spectrum 0.8 0.4 only 2 x 10⁻¹³ of all 0.6 decays in last 1 eV 0.2 0.4 $m(v_e) = 1 eV$ 0 0.2 KARLSRU -3 -2 2 6 10 14 18 E - E₀ [eV] electron energy E [keV] PITIUM NEUTRINO Séminaire PHE, IJCLab -Thibaut Houdy 11/10/2021



• Design sensitivity: 0.2 eV (90% CL)

KArlsruhe TRItium Neutrino Experiment : KATRIN



Design sensitivity: 0.2 eV (90% CL)





- molecular tritium in closed loop system
- 10¹¹ decays/s













Systematic uncertainties



Key Monitoring Devices

Laser Raman system: monitoring of tritium purity and gas composition at the 0.1% level Forward beam monitor: monitoring of activity at the 0.1% level High voltage system: monitoring of high voltage at the ppm level (20 mV)



First tritium campaign



• First operation of the KATRIN experiment with tritium. Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 264 (2020)

1 st neutrino mass campaign



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Model













Gas density :84 %Sensitivity : $m_v < 0.7 \text{ eV} (90\% \text{ CL})$ Electrons in ROI : $4.2 \cdot 10^6$ Scan time :31 days

$$\begin{array}{l} \sigma_{_{stat}} \sim 0.28 \ eV^2 \\ \sigma_{_{syst}} \sim 0.15 \ eV^2 \\ \sigma_{_{tot}} \sim 0.35 \ eV^2 \end{array}$$

Results: $m_v^2 = 0.26 \pm 0.05 eV^2$ $m_v < 0.9 eV (90\% CL)$



Combining the two campaigns : m_v < 0.8 eV (90% CL)

First direct neutrino-mass measurement with sub-eV sensitivity

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(submitted arxiv: 2105.08533.pdf)

Next neutrino mass campaigns



Conclusion



- 1st tritium campaign :
 → very good stability
- 1st mass campaign

 → best limit on the m_v from direct measure (m_v<1.1 eV)
- 2nd mass campaign
 → sub-eV regime

How to generate mass from the SM ?

- In the SM, fermions masses = Yukawa coupling between RH-LH and Higgs field
- No RH neutrinos exist in SM \rightarrow neutrino massless
- To generate mass : need of RH partners
- A lot of different models all must extend SM

$$-\mathcal{L}_{M_{\nu}} = M_{Dij}\bar{\nu}_{si}\nu_{Lj} + \frac{1}{2}M_{Nij}\bar{\nu}_{si}\nu_{sj}^{c} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\mathbf{Dirac}_{\text{mass term}}$$

$$\mathbf{Majorana}_{\text{mass term}}$$



RH neutrinos \rightarrow Sterile neutrinos

Is there a sterile neutrino ?



eV-scale: Resolve anomalies in oscillation experiments



keV-scale: Dark Matter candidate





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eV-sterile signature in β -decay



Sterile hunt with KATRIN



- Unique large window at high mass
- Complementary with Reactor experiments
- Exclude most of the favored phase-space in the next years

Retarding energy - 18574 (eV)

Is there a sterile neutrino ?



eV-scale: Resolve anomalies in oscillation experiments







WDM

CDM

keV-scale: Dark Matter candidate

keV-sterile neutrinos as Dark Matter



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keV-sterile signature in β -decay







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Silicon Drift Detectors

Capability of handling high rates (> 3 x 10⁸ cps) + Excellent energy resolution (300 eV @ 20 keV)

- Silicon Drift Detector (SDD) Technology
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TRISTAN Project

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TRISTAN Project

TRISTAN : Development of a large area SDD array and read-out system to look for keV-sterile neutrino with the KATRIN experiment





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Staged approach



Staged approach





Prototype results

Photon response

- 130 eV (FWHM) at 6 keV
- <150 eV (FWHM) for <1 us shaping time
- 0.1 % linearity over 60 keV range



Electron response

- Semi empirical model in construction
- Dead-layer measurements using e-gun (tilting the detector) and ²⁴¹Am sources



Prototype applications

2017-2019: **TRISTAN 7**-pixels prototype implemented in **Troitsk** nu mass spectrometer \rightarrow differential and integral measurements







2019-2020: **TRISTAN 7-pixels prototype implemented in KATRIN** as Forward Beam Monitor. **Monitoring since KNM2**



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Staged approach



 TRISTAN module
 166-pixels with integrated JFET

Optimized design









Design of the TRISTAN Module



a) Copper column



g) 100-pin FPCs

f) ASIC boards

e) ASIC protective cap



d) Rigid-flex detector board

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Operating 166-pix SDD in UHV (10⁻⁸ mbar), cool (-80°C), intense B field (~1 T), low noise (<300 eV FWHM)

- Large SDD matrix with • integrated FET
- CeSiC : carbon-fiber reinforced silicon carbide
- Rigid-flex with high density •
- **Dedicated ASIC** •
- 1-m long Kapton flex cable •





b) CeSiC bloc

TRISTAN Module



TRISTAN Module Integration



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^{83m}Kr electrons from MoS

- •
- Monoenergetic Vacuum (10⁻⁸ mbar) •
- Operating at -50°C •



1st electron light with a 47-pix TRISTAN inside MoS KATRIN on April 2021

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TRISTAN Module Integration



- Studying of the electron response
- Analyzing plane HV to 30 kV to focus on L32 line
- Size of the source ~ size of the detector



200

Rate (Hz)

100 🖉

Staged approach





TRISTAN Final Detector



Next milestones :

- New DAQ system
- Full model of the tritium spectrum
- First physics runs with 9 modules in the KATRIN beamline (~ 2022)

Integration in KATRIN Beam-line





Deep Tritium Model



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Deep Tritium Model

Each physical effect described with a response matrix



input energy



Combined responses





Deep Tritium Model : effects to consider

Detector

Effect can be different for differential and integral mode



- all these effects have been estimated individually
- Global model on construction

Deep Tritium Model : effects to consider

Effect can be different for differential and integral mode



• Global model on construction

Deep Tritium Model : illustration

- Development of a full model for complete sensitivity studies
- 1h of nominal mass campaign
- Total countrate: 16079 cps
- Countrate in ROI: 7496 cps
- Counts : 2.3 10⁶ electrons



Conclusion

Sterile neutrinos with KATRIN

KATRIN has now presented a first study on eV sterile neutrinos

KATRIN with TRISTAN :

- feasability of the SDD technology for the keV-sterile neutrino search has been demonstrated
 - with photons and electrons
 - with tritium in realistic conditions (Troitsk)
- A first TRISTAN module is being commissioned in KATRIN
- First physics run with 9 module expected 2022
- A complete **deep tritium model** is being built. New sensitivity studies will be done to reduce systematics.





Thank you all



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