

## From SNO to SNOLAB

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## Outline

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- Sudbury Neutrino Observatory (SNO)
- Results and prospect SNO Phases I (pure  $D_2O$ ) SNO Phase II (salt) SNO Phase III (NCD) SNOLAB Low energy solar neutrinos (SNO+) Dark Matter (Picasso & DEAP)
  - Double beta decay (EXO)
- Summary and Conclusion
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- Laurentian University
- Queen's University
- TRIUMF Laboratory
- University of British Columbia
- University of Guelph
- Oxford University

- Brookhaven National Laboratory
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
- Los Alamos National Laboratory
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Texas at Austin
- University of Washington
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- LIP, Lisbon, Portugal



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#### **Solar Neutrinos**

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1010

10 <sup>9</sup>

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10 <sup>3</sup>

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Neutrino Flux



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10





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Neutrino Energy (MeV)



#### Solar Neutrino Problem (SNP)





Measured *≠* predicted

Neutrino reactions	Experiment	Medium	Threshold	Measured/SSM
$\nu_e + {}^{37}\text{Cl} \rightarrow e^- + {}^{37}\text{Ar}$			(MeV)	
	Homestake	Cl	0.814	[CC]=0.34±0.03
$\nu_e + {}^{71}\text{Ga} \rightarrow e^- + {}^{71}\text{Ge}$	SAGE+GALLEX/GNO	Ga	0.2332	[CC]=0.52±0.03
$\nu_1 + e^- \rightarrow \nu_1 + e^-$	SuperK	H <sub>2</sub> O	7.0	[ES]=0.406±0.013
$\nu_l + \psi_l + \psi_l + \psi_l$				

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#### **The SNO Detector**



View from the bottom of the SNO acrylic vessel and PMT array with a fish-eye lens



View of the SNO detector

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S	Three methods to detect the neutrons from the NC reaction in SNO NC $v_x + d \rightarrow v_x + P + n$				
	Phase I (D <sub>2</sub> O) Nov. 99 - May 01		Phase II (Salt+D <sub>2</sub> O) July 01 - Sep. 03	Phase III ( <sup>3</sup> He+D <sub>2</sub> O) Nov. 04 - Nov. 06	
	n captures on Deuterium ${}^{2}H(n,\gamma){}^{3}H$ $\sigma = 0.0005b$ $6.25 \text{ MeV single } \gamma$ PMT array readout		2t NaCl added n captures on Chlorine ${}^{35}Cl(n,\gamma){}^{36}Cl$ $\sigma = 44b$ 8.6 MeV multiple $\gamma$ s PMT array readout	n captures on <sup>3</sup> He counters <sup>3</sup> He(n, $\gamma$ ) <sup>3</sup> H $\sigma$ = 5330b 0.764 MeV(p, <sup>3</sup> H) Independent readout Event by event separation	
	n $\gamma$ $3H^*$ 3H		n $3^{6}Cl^{*}$ $3^{6}Cl^{*}$ A.Bellerive: Villa como, Oct. 2007	$\begin{array}{c} \overleftarrow{} 5 \text{ cm} \xrightarrow{} n \\ \overbrace{} 5 \text{ cm} \xrightarrow{} n \\ \overbrace{} 3 \text{ He} \xrightarrow{} p \\ 3 \text{ He} \xrightarrow{} p \\ 3 \text{ He} \xrightarrow{} 8 \\ n + ^{3}\text{ He} \rightarrow p + ^{3}\text{ H} \end{array}$	







Total of ~1100 live days

## **Calibration of SNO detector**

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Calibration source	Details	Calibration
Pulsed nitrogen laser	337, 369, 385,	Optical &
	420, 505, 619 nm	timing calibration
<sup>16</sup> N	6.13-MeV $\gamma$ -rays	Energy & reconstruction
<sup>8</sup> Li	$\beta$ spectrum	Energy & reconstruction
<sup>252</sup> Cf	neutrons	Neutron response
Am-Be	neutrons	Neutron response
<sup>3</sup> H(p, γ) <sup>4</sup> He ("pT")	19.8-MeV γ-rays	Energy linearity
U, Th	$\beta - \gamma$	Backgrounds
<sup>88</sup> Y	$\beta - \gamma$	Backgrounds
Dissolved Rn spike	$\beta - \gamma$	Backgrounds
In-situ <sup>24</sup> Na activation	$\beta - \gamma$	Backgrounds



### **Neutrino detection**





#### - Mostly sensitive to $v_e$ , some $v_u, v_\tau$

**Neutrino reactions in SNO detector** 

- Strong directional sensitivity



ES

$$v_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^{-1}$$
  
-Q = 1.44 MeV  
-Measure v\_energy sr

 $\nu_{x} + e^{-} \rightarrow \nu_{x} + e^{-}$ 

-Measure  $v_e$  energy spectrum -Sensitive to  $v_e$  only



$$v_x + d \rightarrow v_x + p + n$$

- Q = 2.22 MeV
- Equally sensitive to 3 active v flavors
- Measures total  $^{8}B \nu$  flux (SNO only)



### **Key signatures for v oscillations of SNO**

#### flavor change?

$$\frac{\Phi_{CC}}{\Phi_{ES}} = \frac{\nu_e}{\nu_e + 0.154(\nu_\mu + \nu_\tau)}$$

ES:

- Strong directional sensitivity,  $\theta_{sun}$
- Super-K precision measurement

$$\frac{\Phi_{CC}}{\Phi_{NC}} = \frac{\nu_e}{\nu_e + \nu_\mu + \nu_\tau}$$

NC:

- Equally sensitive to 3 flavors
- Cross section uncertainties cancel



 $\Phi_{\text{day}}$ 





### Neutrino Signal Extraction from PMT Data

Energy Distribution

Radial Distribution (R<sup>3</sup>, R<sub>AV</sub>=1)

> Solar Direction Distribution



Maximum likelihood

statistical separation of the signals (PMT data).

The energy (top row), radial (middle row), and directional (bottom row) distributions used to build pdfs to fit the SNO signal data D2O A.Bellerive: Villa como, Oct. 2007

Phase



#### Results of the SNO Experiment



#### Phase I

#### Pure $D_2O$

#### Nov. 1999 - May 2001

Shape Constrained Neutrino Fluxes (D<sub>2</sub>O) Signal Extraction in  $\Phi_{CC}$ ,  $\Phi_{NC}$ ,  $\Phi_{ES}$  with  $E_{Theshold} > 5 MeV$  $\Phi_{cc}(v_e) = 1.76^{+0.06}_{-0.05} (stat.)^{+0.09}_{-0.09} (syst.) x10^{6} cm^{-2}s^{-1}$  $\Phi_{es}(v_x) = 2.39^{+0.24}_{-0.23}$  (stat.)  $^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$  (syst.) x10<sup>6</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>  $\Phi_{nc}(v_x) = 5.09^{+0.44}_{-0.43} (stat.)^{+0.46}_{-0.43} (syst.) x10^6 cm^{-2}s^{-1}$ Signal Extraction in  $\Phi_{e}, \Phi_{\mu\tau}$  $\Phi_{e} = 1.76^{+0.05}_{-0.05} \text{ (stat.)}^{+0.09}_{-0.09} \text{ (syst.) x10}^{6} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ 

 $\Phi_{\mu\tau}$  = 3.41<sup>+0.45</sup><sub>-0.45</sub> (stat.) <sup>+0.48</sup><sub>-0.45</sub> (syst.) x10<sup>6</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>





### Phase II

2 tons NaCl added in D<sub>2</sub>O

July 2001 - Sep. 2003

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### Phase II (SALT)

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#### 2 tons NaCl added into the D2O

- Higher neutron capture cross section
- Higher energy release (totally 8.6MeV)
- Multiple gammas (averagely 2.5γs)

 $\sigma = 44 \text{ b}$ 









## Advantages of Salt: more sensitive

- Neutrons capturing on <sup>35</sup>Cl provide higher neutron energy above threshold.
- Higher capture efficiency
- Gamma cascade changes the angular profile.









[similar to thrust in collider physics]

**CC/ES** events



# Charged Current (CC= $v_e$ ) Spectrum



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### Salt results & comparison to SSM

More precise salt results confirm D<sub>2</sub>O results





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### SNO Phase I & II ( $D_2O$ & salt)



Oscillation analysis

SNO-only neutrino oscillation analysis, including pure D2O and salt phase dataset.

The <sup>8</sup>B flux was free in the fit; hep solar neutrinos were fixed at  $9.3 \times 10^3$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>.



Oscillation analysis	$\Delta m^2 \ (10^{-5} \ {\rm eV}^2)$	$\tan^2 \theta$
SNO-only	$5.0^{+6.2}_{-1.8}$	$0.45^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$
Global solar	$6.5^{+4.4}_{-2.3}$	$0.45^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$
Solar plus KamLAND	$8.0^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$	$0.45_{-0.07}^{+0.09}$

•Contains Cl, Sage, Gallex/GNO and SK-1 zenith data •8B flux free in fit, hep flux fixed to  $9:3 \times 10^3$  cm<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>



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## SNO hep and DSNB v analysis

#### **DSNB: Diffuse Supernova Neutrinos**



 $\rightarrow$ Both signals lie in the region between <sup>8</sup>B solar neutrinos and atmospheric neutrinos

→Search by counting number of events within a predefined energy window or signal box ...

#### hep neutrinos

• Dominant background is <sup>8</sup>B solar neutrinos • Normalize with low-energy fit with account for neutrino oscillations ( $6 < T_{eff} < 12 \text{ MeV}$ )

#### **DSNB** neutrinos

 Dominant background is atmospheric neutrinos

• Signal region 21  $< T_{eff} < 35 \text{ MeV}$ 

Pure D2O dataset

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# SNO hep and DSNB v analysis

#### Pure D2O dataset



#### hep neutrinos

- 2 events in signal box
- consistent with expected backgrounds
- $\Phi_{hep}$  < 2.3 x 10<sup>4</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>
  - 90% confidence level upper
  - 2.9 times SSM prediction
  - 6.5 times better than SK limit

#### **DSNB** neutrinos

- 0 events in signal box
- 0.18 background events expected
- $\Phi_{DSNB}$ < 70 cm<sup>-2</sup> for 22.9<E<sub>v</sub><36.9 MeV
  - 90% confidence level upper limit
  - average of 5 models
  - 10<sup>2</sup> better than previous MB limit



### Periodicity Analysis of SNO Data

A periodicity analysis on the D<sub>2</sub>O and salt data sets was performed using both a Lomb-Scargle periodogram and an unbinned maximum likelihood fit (PRD 72 052010, 2005)

For the combined data sets, the largest peak occurs at a period of 2.4 days, with a statistical significance of S=8.8

Monte Carlo shows that 35% of simulated data sets give a peak at least this large

No statistically significant periodicity was found



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### Phase III

<sup>3</sup>He Proportional Counters

Nov. 2004 - Nov. 2006:





#### SNO Phase III (<sup>3</sup>He Proportional Counters )

<sup>3</sup>He Proportional Counters ("NC Detectors")

#### **Detection Principle**

<sup>2</sup>H + 
$$\nu_x \rightarrow p + n + \nu_x - 2.22 \text{ MeV}$$
 (NC)  
<sup>3</sup>He + n  $\rightarrow p + {}^{3}\text{H} + 0.76 \text{ MeV}$ 

40 Strings on 1-m grid 398 m total active length

#### **Physics Motivation**

**Event-by-event separation**. Measure NC and CC in separate data streams.

**Different systematic uncertainties** than neutron capture on NaCl.







	D <sub>2</sub> O unconstrained	D <sub>2</sub> O constrained	Salt unconstrained	<sup>3</sup> He
NC,CC	-0.950	-0.520	-0.521	~0
CC,ES	-0.208	-0.162	-0.156	~-0.2
ES,NC	-0.297	-0.105	-0.064	~0

**Correlation Coefficients between the CC, ES, and NC events** 

## **SNO Phase III (**<sup>3</sup>He Proportional Counters )

#### The positions of the NCD strings projected onto the plane of the AV equator



**36** <sup>3</sup>He Strings and 4 <sup>4</sup>He strings for determination of α background

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- Proportional counters detect neutrons via: n + <sup>3</sup>He  $\rightarrow$  p + <sup>3</sup>H
- Low radioactivity CVD nickel, 5 cm diameter, 0.36 mm thick
- Gas is 85% <sup>3</sup>He and 15% CF<sub>4</sub>, at  $\sim$ 2.5 atm
- Anchored to the bottom of SNO on a 1-meter square grid
- 40 strings, each 9 to 11 meters long, 398 meters total length
- 50  $\mu$ m copper anode wire at 1950 V



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#### **Neutron Capture in the NCDs**

## ~ 1200 n captures per year in NCDs from solar v n + ${}^{3}\text{He} \rightarrow p$ + ${}^{3}\text{H}$ (Q = 764 keV)



End view of an NCD with representative ionization tracks.

### Idealized energy spectrum in a <sup>3</sup>He proportional counter.

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## **SNO Sensitivity**

Future Ratio CC/NC

**Day-night** 

Combination of information from three phases!







# Summary

#### What we have:

- <sup>8</sup>B neutrino results from first two phases, including fluxes, spectrum, D/N asymmetry
- search for periodicity in data
- hep and diffuse SN neutrino results

What is next:

- First results from NCD phase
- Low energy threshold analysis for phase I and II
- muon and atmospheric analysis
- other results
- COMBINATION OF ALL THREE PHASES !



Surface Facility

#### Underground Laboratory

#### 2km overburden (6000mwe)

Fraser Duncan SNOLAB Workshop August 2007



Villa Como October 2007

Phase I

Existing SNO Facility



- -Lab Entry
- -Personnel Facilities

Utility Area

- Chiller
- Generator

#### Phase I

\* Excavation began
Fall 2004, completed
May 2007
\* Outfitting began June
2007

#### Existing SNO Facility

### Phase II

\* Funding announced yesterday.

Utility Area

- Chiller
- Generator

- Relocate
- -Lab Entry
- -Personnel Facilities

## **Laboratory Space**

	Excavation Area	Volume	<b>Clean Rm</b> Area	Volume	<b>Laboratory</b> Area	Volume
Existing	20,049 ft² 1,863 m²	582,993 ft³ 16,511 m³	12,196 ft² 1,133 m²	470,360 ft <sup>3</sup> 13,321 m <sup>3</sup>	8,095 ft² 752 m²	412,390 ft³ 11,679 m³
Existing + Phase I	65,340 ft² 6,072 m²	1,367,488 ft <sup>3</sup> 38,728 m <sup>3</sup>	41,955 ft² 3,899 m²	1,049,393 ft <sup>3</sup> 29,719 m <sup>3</sup>	26,117 ft² 2,427 m²	837,604 ft³ 23,721 m³
Existing	77,636 ft²	1,647,134 ft <sup>3</sup>	53,180 ft²	1,314,973 ft <sup>3</sup>	32,877 ft <sup>2</sup>	1,043,579 ft <sup>3</sup>
+ Phase I&II	7,215 m <sup>2</sup>	46,648 m <sup>3</sup>	4,942 m <sup>2</sup>	37,241 m³	3,055 m²	29,555 m³
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CLASS 2000 Clean Room Laboratory Space

## **Excavation Status: August 2006**



# **Excavation Status: August 2006**



# **Excavation Status: August 2006**

#### Ladder Labs

## **Excavation Status: Today**

#### September 2007

- Phase I excavation complete
- Phase I outfitting underway
- Phase II excavation underway





















## Phase II

# Cryopit



# **SNO**

SNOLAB

- Ended data taking 28 Nov 2006
- Most heavy water returned June 2007
- Finish decommissioning end of 2007









# **Surface Facilities**

- Site: 4,700 ft<sup>2</sup> CLASS 1000 Clean Room Laboratories, IT Infrastructure (high speed off site), Office, Meeting Rms, Control Rms, Material handling.
- Laurentian Water Facility: Intended for spike work not appropriate for site. Will have Ultra Pure Water facility, Low BG counting





# **Material Screening**

#### Ge Gamma Counter

Low Background Counting available for the experiments.

- 1 liter sample sizes
- Presently being used by SNO, EXO, DEAP/CLEAN, PICASSO







# **Material Screening**



#### **ESC (Electrostatic Counter)**

- 8 counters on site.
- Self contained samples connected directly to the recirculating loop.
   Other samples placed in polypropolyne cylinders with N<sub>2</sub> or Ar gas recirculated through chamber.
- Turnaround time 1 month (3 months notice recommended)
  - 2 weeks/sample + 2 weeks for background.

Radionuclide	Sensitivity
<sup>222</sup> Rn (U)	20 atoms/day
<sup>220</sup> Rn (Th)	10 atoms/day
<sup>219</sup> Rn (Ac)	50 atoms/day





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# **Material Screening**

#### Radon Emanation Chambers

- Used extensively for counting materials used in the SNO experiment.
- sensitivity ~50 decays per day.

• ICP-MS

- Association with facility at NRC (National Research Council) ICP-MS facility in Ottawa.
- Tuned to maximize sensitivity to U and Th at sub ppt levels. K limits to > 100 ppb.



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# Scientific Program

# Low Energy Neutrinos SNO+ (SNO filled with liquid scintillator) Search for Cold Dark Matter

- > Picasso
- > DEAP

## **Investigation of Double-Beta Decay**

- > Enriched Xenon Observatory (EXO)
- > SNO+ (upgrade Nd loaded)

# SNO++: Survival Probability

#### pep flux:

Uncertainty ±1.5%

Allows precision test of the Solar Standard Model & the LMA matter enhanced oscillation scenario

Real-time low energy v's experiments are the ultimate probe of the Sun



## **SNO+ liquid scintillator**



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# The Cosmic Connections

#### **Energy budget of Universe**



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## Neutralino Interaction with Matter

**Spin dependent interaction** – axial coupling

#### Small freon droplets in polymerized gel at room T° droplets overheat

≻A particle hit vaporizes the droplet:

- phase transition event
- an acoustic shock wave detected with piezoelectric transducers

Isotope	Spin	Unpaired	$\lambda^2$
<sup>7</sup> Li	3/2	р	0.11
<sup>19</sup> F	1/2	ρ	0.863
<sup>23</sup> Na	3/2	р р	0.011
<sup>29</sup> Si	1/2	n	0.084
<sup>73</sup> Ge	9/2	n	0.0026
127	5/2	р	0.0026
<sup>131</sup> Xe	3/2	n	0.0147







## **Decarso** at SNOLAB









Remotely controled from U de Montréal

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Neutralino Interaction with Matter Spin independent interaction – scalar coupling

 $\Rightarrow$  heavy nuclei



wimp M<sub>WIMP</sub> ~ 100 GeV



Require Low-E Threshold
Require Large Target Mass
Ultra-Low Background

#### DEAP/CLEAN... sensitivity



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### DEAP\_Experimental Hall \_-



#### ββ decay proposals at SNOLAB

### Enriched Xenon Observatory EXO







Summed electron energy in units of the kinematic endpoint (Q)

from S.R. Elliott and P. Vogel, Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci. 52 (2002) 115.

#### The only effective tool here is energy resolution





# Conclusion



What we have:

Great Physics out of SNO

What is next:

Exciting future for SNOLAB





## Thanks



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