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## EUROv Super Beam studies

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## Super Beam studies

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# $\theta_{13}$ limit expectations up to 2016





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## Take profit of an upgrade of CERN accelerator complex



#### **Motivation**

1.Reliability: Present CERN accelerators too old ⇒ need for new accelerators designed for the needs of SLHC

H<sup>-</sup> linac 2 GeV, 4 MW

Magnetic

Target

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2.Performance: Increase of brightness of the beam in LHC to allow for phase 2 of the LHC upgrade. ⇒ need to increase the injection energy in the synchrotrons

LP-SPL: Low Power-Superconducting Proton Linac (4-5 GeV) PS2: High Energy PS (~ 5 to 50 GeV – 0.3 Hz) SPS+: Superconducting SPS (50 to1000 GeV) sLHC: "Super-luminosity" LHC (up to 10<sup>35</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>) DLHC: "Double energy" LHC (1 to ~14 TeV)



• CDR for 2.2 and 3.5 GeV HP-SPL already published (CERN 2000-012, CERN 2006-006)

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Accumulator

Target

Magnetic horn capture





## Super Beam: conventional MW power neutrino beam





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## Fréjus underground laboratory



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### The MEMPHYS Project (within FP7 LAGUNA DS)



Mainly to study:

•Proton Decay (GUT)

• up to  $\sim 10^{35}$  years lifetime

•Neutrino properties and Astrophysics

- Supernovae (burst + "relics")
- Solar neutrinos
- Atmospheric neutrinos
- Geoneutrinos
- neutrinos from accelerators (Super Beam, Beta Beam)

Water Cerenkov Detector with total fiducial mass: 440 kt:

- 3 Cylindrical modules 65x65 m
- Readout: 3x81k 12" PMTs, 30% geom. cover. (#PEs =40% cov. with 20" PMTs).

(arXiv: hep-ex/0607026)





#### for a Hg target, 30 cm length, $\varnothing$ 15 mm (N<sub>particles</sub>×10<sup>16</sup>/sec, FLUKA)

$E_k$ (GeV)	р	n	$\gamma$	$e^+$	$e^-$	$\pi^+$	$\pi^{-}$	$\mu^+$	$\mu^{-}$	$K^+$	$K^0$
2.2	1.4	17	5.0	0.08	0.17	0.24	0.18	4	1	7	6
3.5	1.8	23	7.0	0.15	0.28	0.41	0.37	10	3	35	30
4.5	2.3	25	7.7	0.21	0.35	0.57	0.39	11	3.3	93	68
8	3.1	33	11.0	0.41	0.63	1.00	0.85	30	9.5	413	340

#### the target must be inside the horn



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Accumulator Magnetic

Target

horn capture

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## Horn prototype (CERN)



First studies with old SPL characteristics:

• 2.2 GeV proton beam





For the horn skin AA 6082-T6 / (AlMgSi1) is an acceptable compromise between the 4 main characteristics:

- Mechanical properties
- Welding abilities
- Electrical properties
- Resistance to corrosion
- Same for CNGS

#### initial design satisfying both, Neutrino Factory and Super Beam

(see S. Gilardoni's thesis)

#### ...but Al is not compatible with Mercury!

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### Sensitivity 3.5 GeV



no strong dependence on proton energy for 2.2 GeV

Minimum: θ<sub>13</sub>= 1.2° (90%CL)

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θ<sub>13</sub> (deg.)



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## Performance and Comparisons





#### arXiv:hep-ph/0603172v3

	$\beta \mathrm{B}$	$\operatorname{SPL}$	T2HK
Detector mass	$440 \mathrm{~kt}$	$440~\mathrm{kt}$	$440~{\rm kt}$
Baseline	$130 \mathrm{~km}$	$130 \mathrm{~km}$	$295 \ \mathrm{km}$
Running time $(\nu + \bar{\nu})$	5 + 5  yr	2 + 8  yr	2 + 8  yr
Beam intensity	$5.8(2.2) \cdot 10^{18}$ He (Ne) dcys/yr	$4 \ \mathrm{MW}$	$4 \mathrm{MW}$
Systematics on signal	2%	2%	2%
Systematics on backgr.	2%	2%	2%









## From BENE (FP6) to EUROv (FP7, 2008-2012)



## The WP2 team



- · Cracow University of Technology
- . STFC RAL
- . IPHC Strasbourg
- . Irfu-SPP, CEA Saclay
- external partners



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## EURUv-WP2 studies



Accumulator ring

Target

Magnetic horn capture

Decay tunne

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- · Beam simulation and optimization, physics sensitivities
- . Beam/target interface
- . Target and target station design
- · Horn design
- Target/horn integration
- . Cost
- · Safety



## Technological Challenge

- Can we conceive a neutrino beam based on a multi-MW proton beam ?
- At the start of EUROv, no proven solution for the target and collector was proposed for this facility !
- Can we design a target for a multi-MW proton beam ?
- Can we do it with a reliable design without compromising the physics reach ?
- Target
  - . 300-1000 J/cm<sup>3</sup>/pulse
  - · Severe problems from: sudden heating, stress, activation
  - Solid versus liquid targets
  - · cooling
- . Horn
  - horn+reflector integration
  - pulser (up to 600 kA)
- . Safety

Lifetime (supposed to run for 10 years)





## Studies on Hg targets



#### Contained mercury



Cavitation damage in wall of Hg target container after 100 pulses of 19 J/cc proton beam (WNR facility at LANL)

#### Free mercury jet



MERIT experiment: Beam-induced splashing of mercury jet (c.200 J/cc)

• Damping of splashes due to magnetic field observed as predicted

#### no problem with target cooling but...

- Magnetic horns are typically manufactured from aluminium alloy not compatible with Hg (severe and rapid erosion in addition to the shock wave problem).
- Necessity to protect the horn with a layer of material compatible with liquid Hg (lifetime?).
- B=O inside horn, ie no magnetic damping of mercury jet as in MERIT experiment.
- Combination of a mercury jet with a magnetic horn appears to be extremely difficult.







- Easier to combine with a magnetic horn (e.g. T2K target)
- Questions:
  - How does particle production for C compare with Hg?
  - Can a static graphite target dissipate heat from a 4 MW beam?
  - What is the expected lifetime for a graphite target in a 4 MW beam?
  - According to studies done at BNL, no problem with 1-1.5 MW proton beam.

### cooling is a main issue...





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## Main Collector Challenges

- Horn : as thin as possible (few mm) to minimize the energy deposition.
- Pulsing repetition rate: 50 Hz (vs a few Hz up to now).
- Large electromagnetic wave, thermo-mechanical stress, vibrations, fatigue, radiation damage (multiphysics studies needed).
- Currents: 300 kA (horn) and 600kA (reflector),
  - design of a high current pulsed power supply.
- Cooling system in order to maintain the integrity of the horn.
- Definition of the radiation tolerance.
- Integration of the target and horn.
- Longevity in a high power beam.



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# How to deal with all these problems?



### **Present Collectors**



Experiment	Current	Rep. Rate	Pulses per time period	Beam ►►►
Numi (120 GeV)	200 kA	0.5 Hz	6 Mpulses 1 year	NuMi horn 1 NuMi horn 2 NuMi horn 2
MiniBoone (8 GeV)	170 kA	5 Hz	11 Mpulses 1 year	MiniBooNE In operation
к2к (12 GeV)	250 kA	0.5 Hz	11 Mpulses 1 year	KEK horn 1 completed KEK horn 2 Small size
<i>Super-Beam</i> (3.5 GeV)	300 kA	50 Hz	200 Mpulses 6 weeks	CERN horn prototype for SPL
cngs (400 GeV)	150 kA	2 pulses/ 6 sec	42 Mpulses 4 year	CNGS horn 1 CNGS horn 1 CNGS horn 2
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## How to mitigate the power effect

4 target/horn system (4x4 m<sup>2</sup>) with single decay tunnel (~30 m)



back to solid targets able to afford up to ~1.5 MW proton beam

- 2 options (only one pulser?):
- send at the same time 1 MW per target/ horn system
- send 4 MW/system every 50/4 Hz
  - in case of failure of one horn/target, continue with the 3 remaining ones sharing the 4 MW power

we get rid of Hg, but what about particle production?

more expensive but more reliable system



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- neutrino intensities are comparable despite non optimized focusing for long Graphite target (very promising)
- high energy tail for Graphite is slightly more important (not optimized focusing)
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### The Bonus...





Released power:

- Hg: ~ 1 0.6 MW
- C:~0.8-0.1 MW
- Iower for Carbon !

neutron flux dramatically reduced wrt Hg! (~ x15)



## Can we optimize the horn shape for the solid target?





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## Can we get rid of the reflector?





#### simple shape with reduced current!

(see N. Vassilopoulos' presentation)



### **Physics Performance**



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## Neutrino Spectra









## Cost of the facilities (CERN tool for project costing)



- The cost evaluation and safety issues of the proposed facilities are part of the design study.
- A first two days costing workshop has been organized at CERN in March 2010 (<u>http://indico.cern.ch/event/EuroNuCostingMar2010</u>)
  - presentation of the cost management techniques to the EURO  $\nu$  participants towards defining a strategy for what needs to be done within the design study.
- Definition of the WP2 WBS underway (EUROv has also to cost HP-SPL, hopefully with the CERN help)

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Project Costing Tool

### CERN costing tool

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### Safety (workshop at CERN, 9-10 June)

## Identify safety issues in the project

- Safety of **personnel** during installation, operation, maintenance and dismantling actions.
- Safety to materials/equipment assure their operation as required by the specs.
- Impact to the environment during installation, operation and dismantling of the facility.
- Do risk analysis for each identified safety issue
  - Ways to mitigate the risk → incorporate in the design, include in the cost estimate.
  - Classify the risks  $\rightarrow$  setup the project risk register.



**Risk analysis** 





## After EUROv

- R&D is needed for:
  - target
  - horn
  - horn pulsing system
- When?
  - next relevant EU call?





## Conclusions



- The SPL to Fréjus Super Beam project is under study in FP7 EUROnu WP2:
  - Conventional technology
  - "Short" schedule
  - Cost effective
  - Many synergies with other projects
  - Competitive CP sensitivity down to  $\sin^2(2\theta_{13}) \sim 10^{-3}$
- Work in EUROv:
  - physics performance has been improved (still room for improvements?).
  - the proposed system is now feasible and reliable
- We have started freezing all elements of this facility.
- Cost estimation soon.
- The physics potential of this project is very high (also for astrophysics) especially in case of SB/BB combination.
- R&D is needed.





# End