



Improving Data Accessibility and System Performance Using PI at SNOLAB

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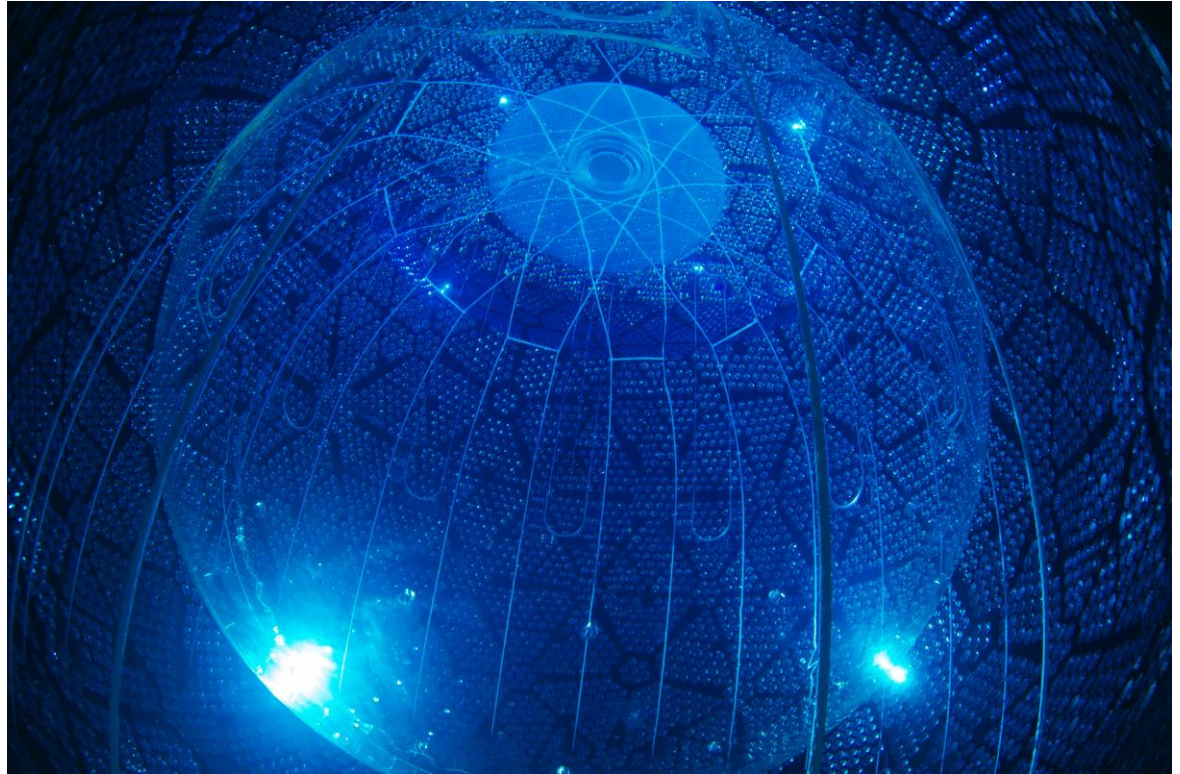
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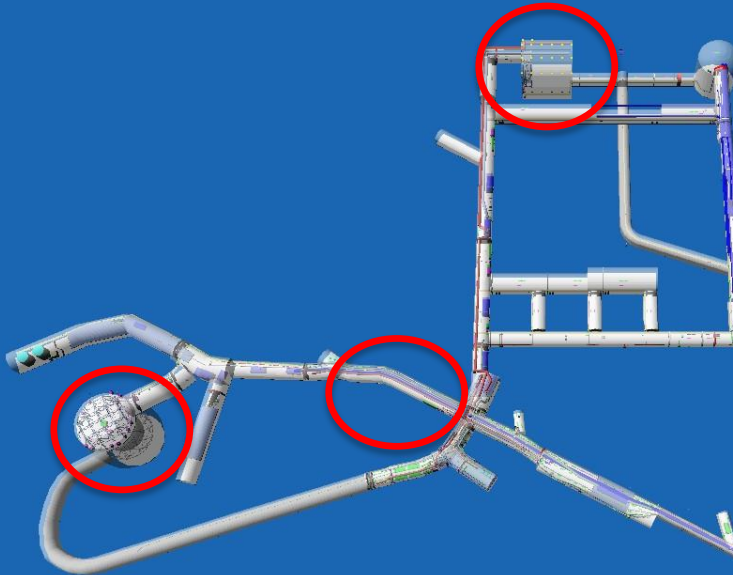
SNOLAB OVERVIEW



- SNOLAB is a deep underground science research laboratory
- Located 2km underground in Vale's Creighton Mine near Sudbury, Ontario
- Operated as a Class 2000 clean lab
- Focus is to conduct physics experiments exploring the fundamental make up of the universe.
- Carried out by constructing and operating 'industrial scale' detectors
- Science program focused on Dark matter searches, Neutrino science, Supernova



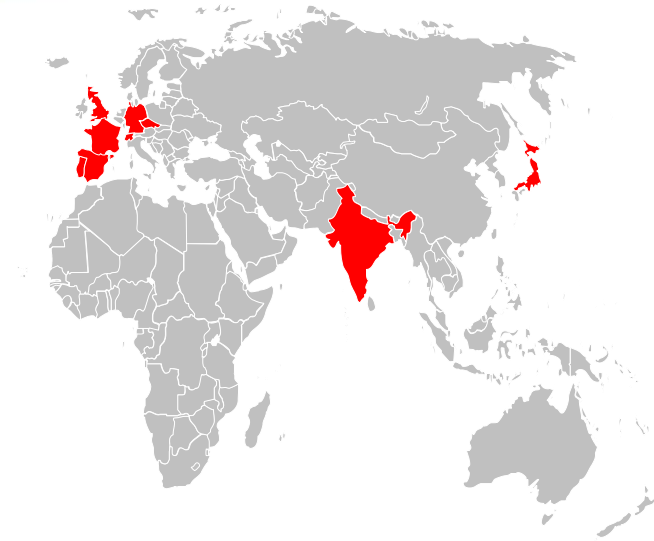
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- Governed by a board represented by 5 Canadian universities
- SNOLAB consists of ~100 staff
 - Scientists, engineers, cleaners, trades, support services
 - ~40 staff underground everyday
- User base of ~500
 - International collaborations of physicists
 - Technical support staff (engineers, technicians)



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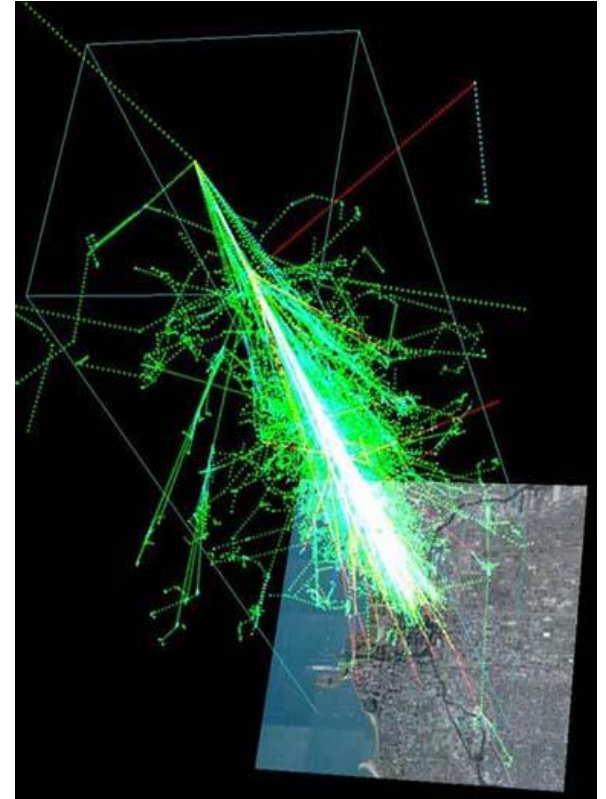


Why Underground

- Experiments are very sensitive
- Background radiation (cosmic) introduces unacceptable 'noise'
- 2km of rock acts as a filter to screen out cosmic radiation
- Neutrinos, dark matter – will essentially pass through unaffected.

Why Clean

- Mine rock contains trace amounts of radiation (U, Th)
- Operate as a large clean room to prevent contamination of experimental components



Sudbury Neutrino Observatory (SNO)

- Designed and constructed throughout the 90's
- Experimental operation began in 1999 and ran until 2006
- Purpose built to solve the solar neutrino problem
 - Allowed detection of all types of neutrinos – past experiments were unable to do this
 - Used 1000 tonnes of heavy water (\$300M worth)
- Resulted in Dr. Art MacDonald being awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 2015
- Success of experiment led to the application to expand the existing facility



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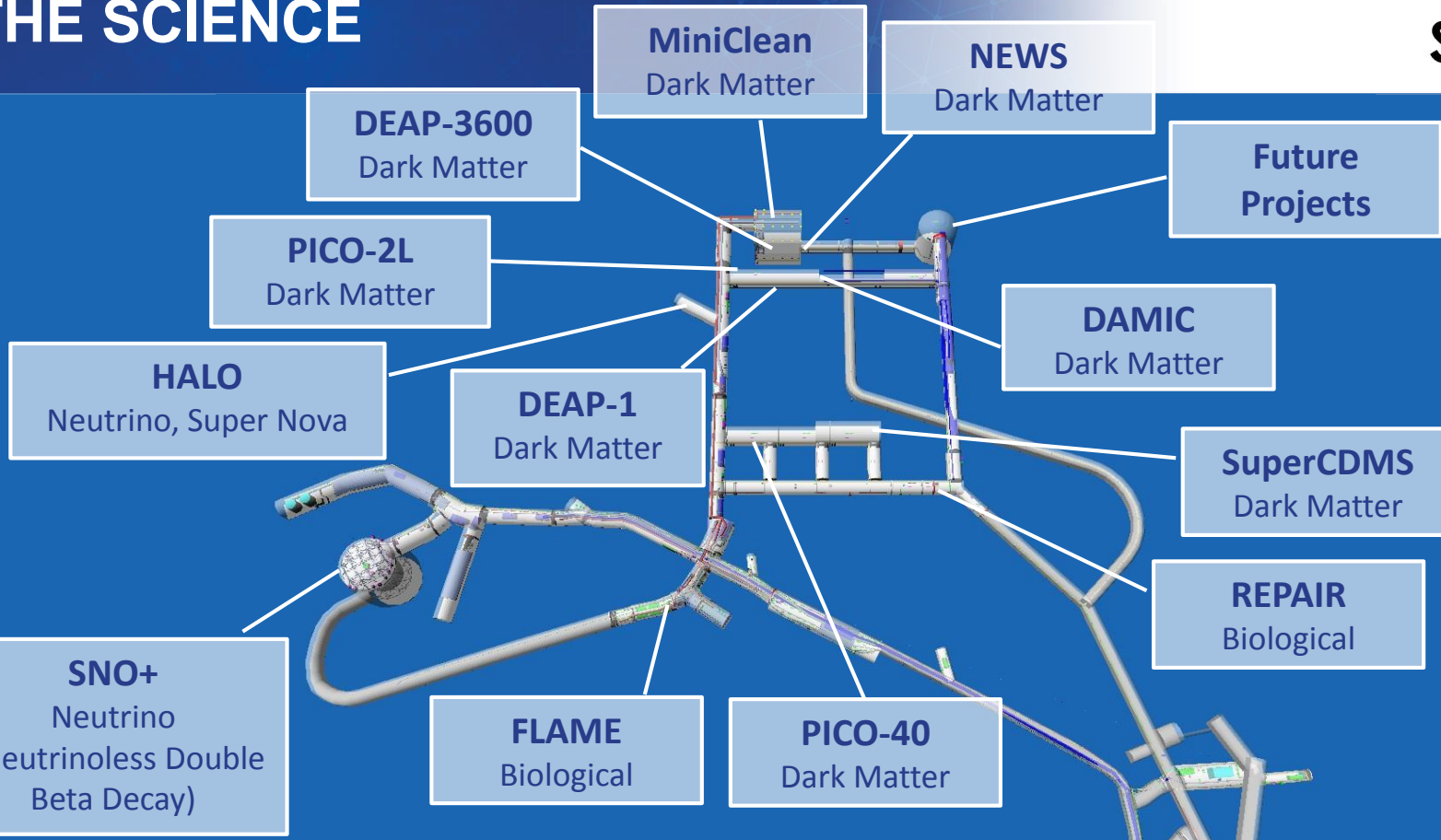


SNOLAB

- Evolution from a single experiment into a host facility for multiple international experiments
- Included an expansion of existing facilities
 - Excavation started in 2006
 - New spaces 'went clean' by 2010
 - Increased clean space from:
 - 12,196ft² to 53,180ft²
 - 470,360ft³ to 1,314,973 ft³
- Currently host to a suite of experiments in various phases of design, construction and operation



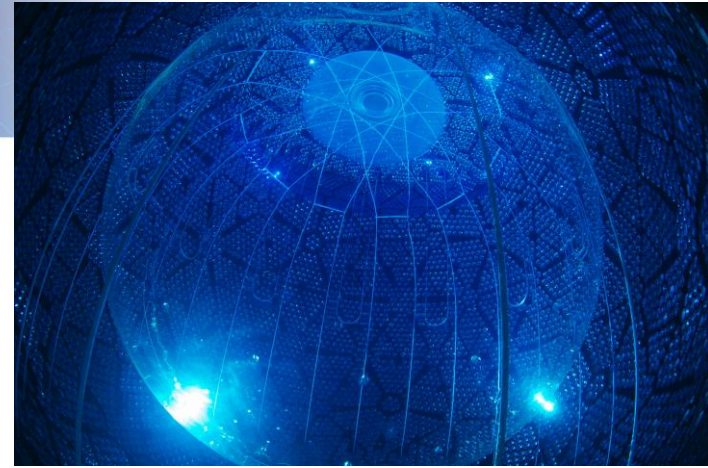
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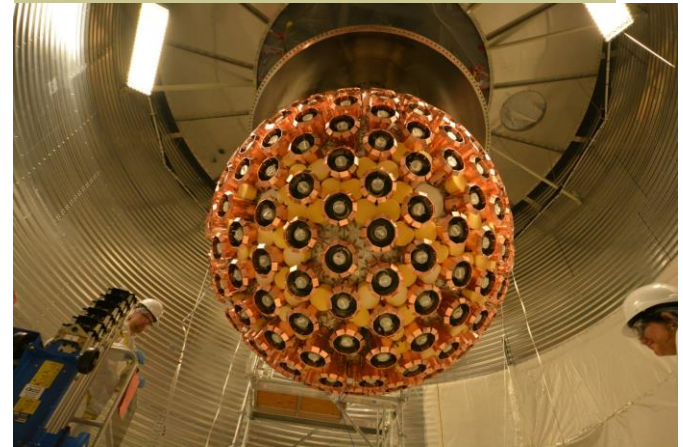
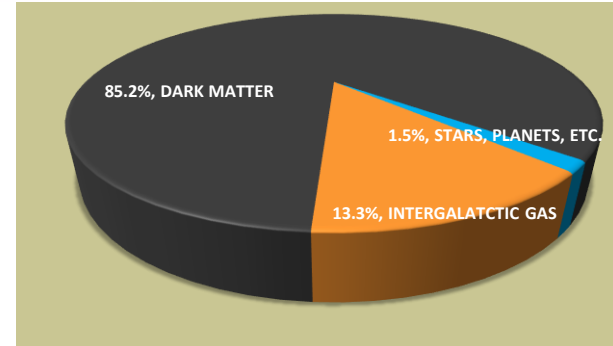
Neutrino Physics

- Original SNO experiment confirmed models of how the Sun burns
- Determined that the Neutrino has a mass – added new physics to the standard model
- Going forward
 - What is the neutrino mass
 - Why is the earth hot – geo neutrinos
 - How do stars explode – supernovas
 - Precision measurements on solar neutrinos
 - Are neutrinos there own anti-particle (neutrinoless double beta decay)



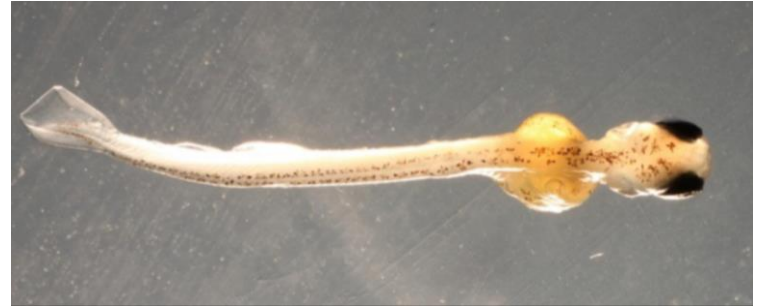
Dark Matter Searches:

- Seeks to answer what the Universe is made of
- Evidence shows that only a small fraction of the Universe consists of standard ‘glowing’ matter.
- Unaccounted for mass is termed ‘Dark Matter’ – doesn’t emit or reflect light
- Candidate particle is termed the **W**eakly **I**nteracting **M**assive **P**article or WIMP for short
- By building large detectors – hope that particles will strike targets and produce detectable signals



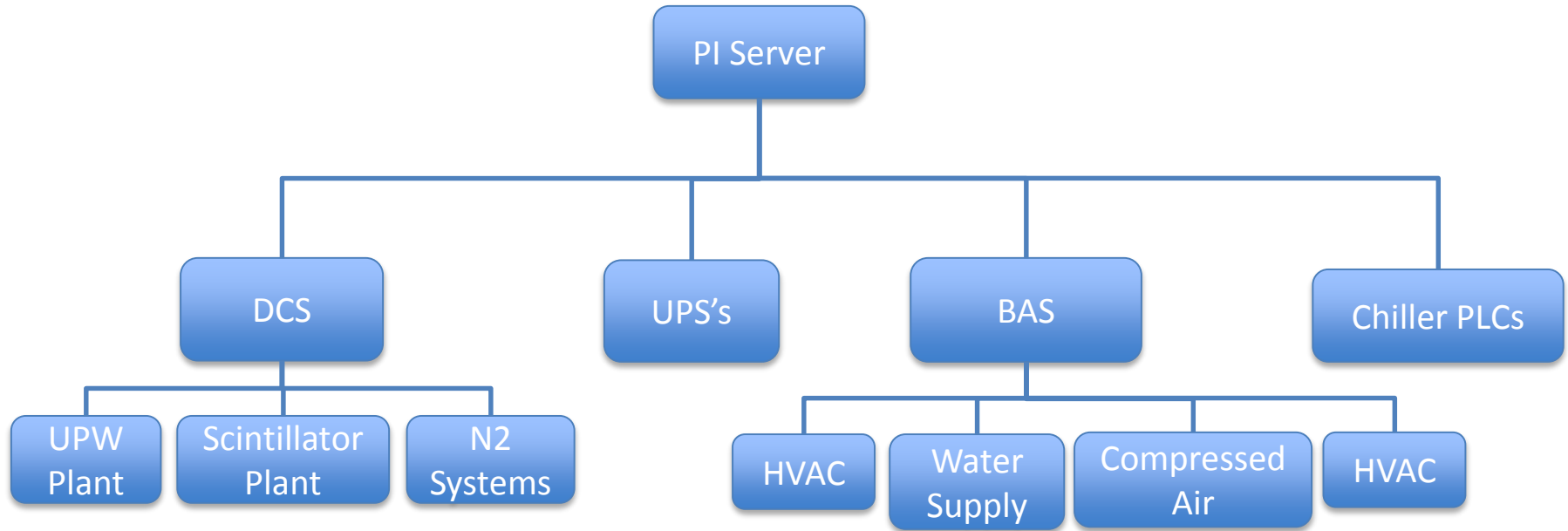
Biomedical Studies:

- Effect of background radiation on cancer rates in cells
 - Studies shown that lose doses of radiation actual provide resiliency against cancerous growths during high dose radiation
 - Extrapolating hypothesis to cells grown in radiation free environments
- Study impacts of travelling underground on fruit fly metabolism – study possible relation to miners



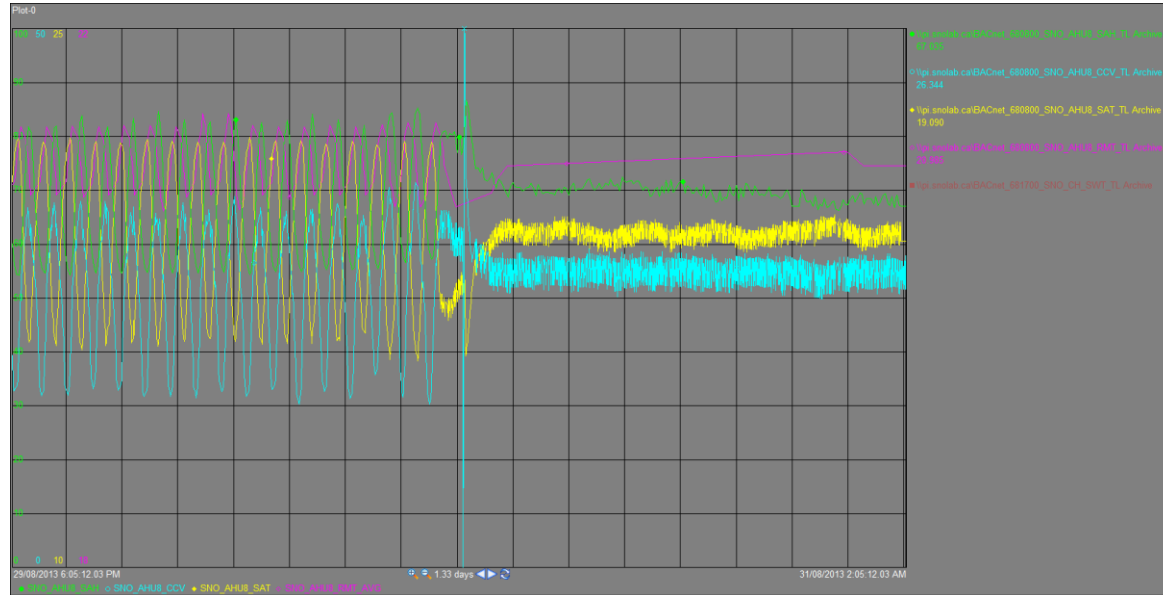
- SNOLAB is a sizeable facility with multiple control systems collecting data (BAS, DCS, PLCs, UPSs) in different locations (surface, underground)
- We used to have no easy way to integrate data from all of different systems
- Creating trends or correlations would take hours if not days
- Reached out to OSIsoft in 2012 - Provided a PI Server – currently running at around 2000 tags
- Two main exploitations of our PI systems
 - Process control, optimization and troubleshooting
 - Data availability to experiments





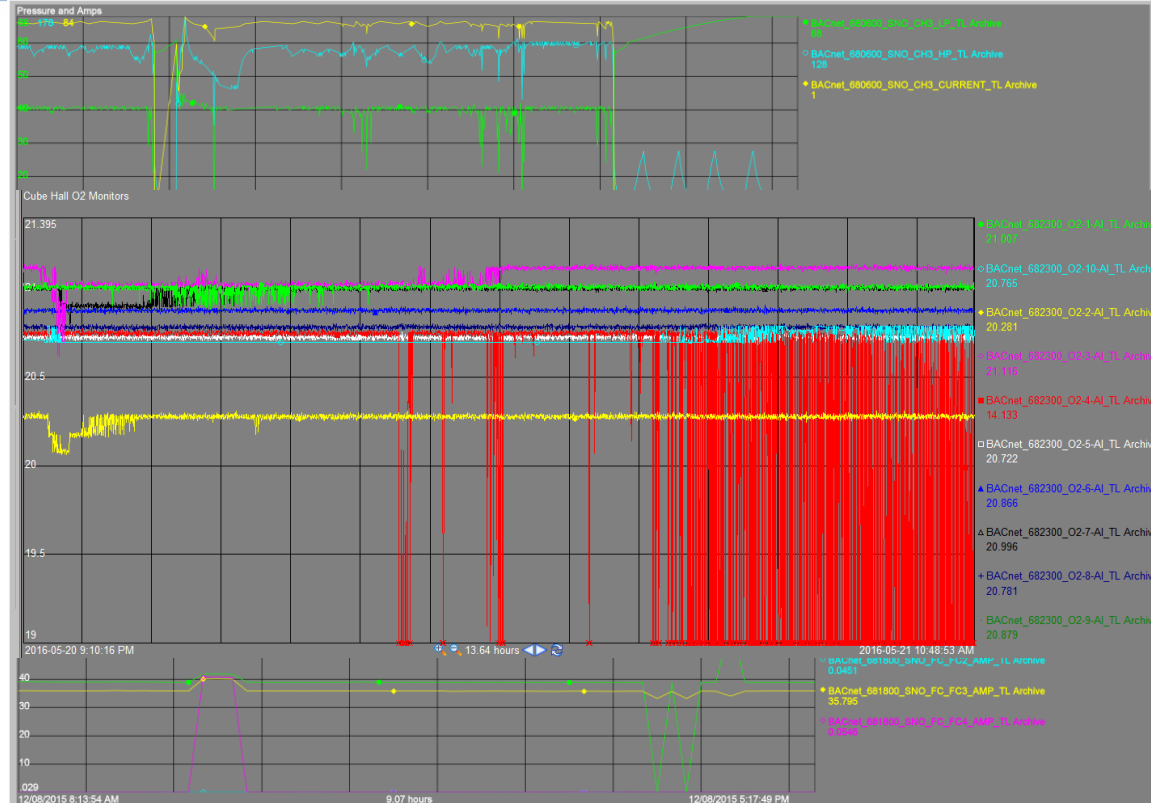
Process Optimization

- Use PI ProcessBook and PI DataLink
- The ease of access leads to
 - Noticing problems
 - Solving Problems
 - Increasing system performance and reliability



System Troubleshooting

- Diagnosing problems - allow easy preparation of trends
- Off-hour analysis order of magnitude easier
- No remote access to system necessary
- Easily layer relevant tags
- Solve issues or come to conclusions in minutes not hours
- Back to bed sooner than later



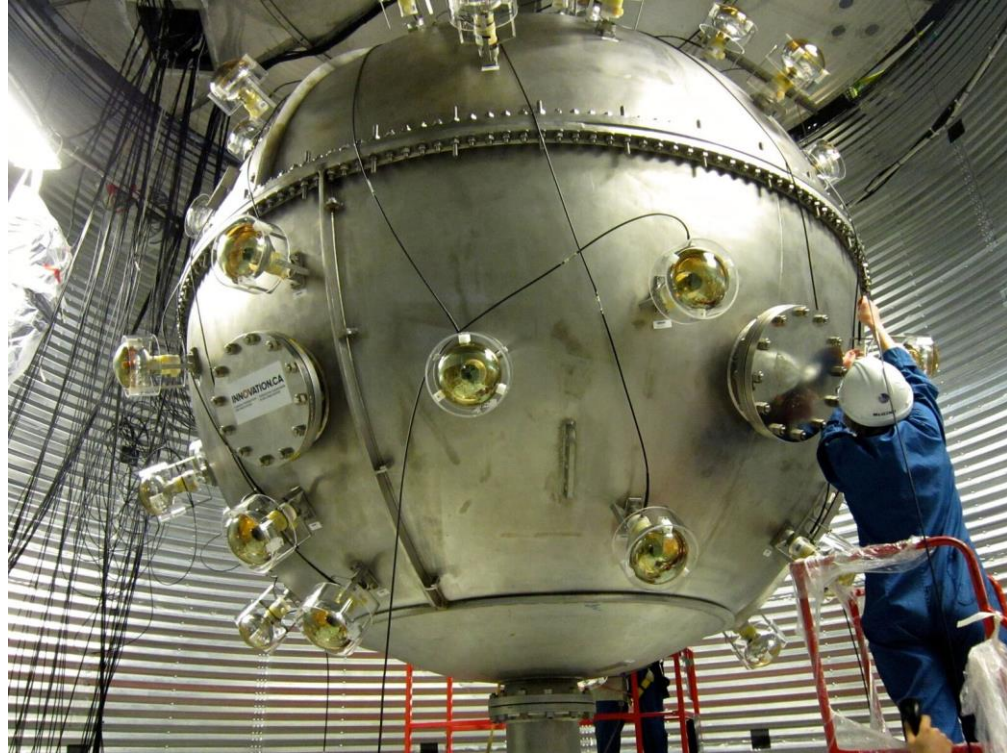
Data Availability

- Experiments are extremely sensitive
- Need to be able to cross reference detector performance to environmental and process data
- Required a solution that provides “Professor Proof” access to data
- Flexible enough to pull data in a specific manner for data analysis
- No drain on SNOLAB resources

```
30 def Close(self):
31     self.fout.Close()
32
33 def Done(self):
34     self.fout.Close()
35     print "Thank you for using PiReader. All data read in as been saved in\n"
36     exit()
37
38 def GetAllTags(self):
39     # Doesn't display anything to the user. It simply loads the information i
40     logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO)
41     search_url = 'http://pi.snolab.ca/PiWebServices/PISearch.svc?wsdl'
42     search_client = Client(search_url)
43     # All available PI Tags
44     pi_paths = search_client.service.FindPIPathsBasic('pi.snolab.ca', '*', '')
45     # don't care of this is deep or shallow copy. Check if you do.
46     self.pi_path_list = pi_paths.Path
47
48 def FilterTags(self, filter):
49     # Gets all the tags and then runs them through a case INsensitive
50     # comparison with the filter.
51     # Example: r.FilterTags("Cube") will find all tags with "Cube" in the nam
52     self.GetAllTags()
53     for tag in self.pi_path_list:
54         if (str.lower(str(filter)) in str.lower(str(tag)) ):
55             print tag[18:]
56
57 def PrintAllTags(self):
58     # A straight dump to screen of every single available tag.
59     self.GetAllTags()
60     for tag in self.pi_path_list:
61         print tag[18:]
62
63
64 def ReadTag(self, tagName):
65     rootTagName = re.sub(" ", "", tagName)
66     rootTagName = re.sub("-", "", rootTagName)
67     rootTagName = re.sub("/", "", rootTagName)
68
69     # Set up ntuple - set name fixme
70     # Use URL parser
71     nt = NTupleD(rootTagName, rootTagName, "Y:M:D:h:m:s:d:r:val")
72     nt.SetMarkerStyle(20+self.readCounter)
73     nt.SetMarkerColor(self.readCounter+1) #+1 avoids white
74     # set up pi read
75     logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO)
76     timeseries_url = 'http://pi.snolab.ca/PiWebServices/PITimeSeries.svc?wsdl'
77     timeseries_client = Client(timeseries_url)
78     piarcdatarequest = timeseries_client.factory.create('PIArcDataRequest')
79     stringStart = self.startTime.strftime("%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
80     stringStop = self.stopTime.strftime("%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
81     piarcdatarequest.TimeRange.Start = stringStart
82     piarcdatarequest.TimeRange.End = stringStop
83     piarcdatarequest.PIArcManner_NumValues = '1000000' # Max number of point
84     sensorName = self.pi_url + tagName
85     piarcdatarequest.Path = sensorName
86     requests = timeseries_client.factory.create('ArrayOfPIArcDataRequest')
87     requests.PIArcDataRequest = [piarcdatarequest]
88     returned_arcddata = timeseries_client.service.GetPIArchiveData(requests)
89     icount = 0
90     if not hasattr(returned_arcddata.TimeSeries[0], '_UCN'):
91         returned_arcddata.TimeSeries[0]._UCN = ''
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Summary

- Our mission is to deliver world class science
- PI facilitates this by:
 - Allowing us to improve the performance and reliability of our systems
 - Minimize the resource load for troubleshooting issues
 - Providing facility and process data to experiments



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Questions?

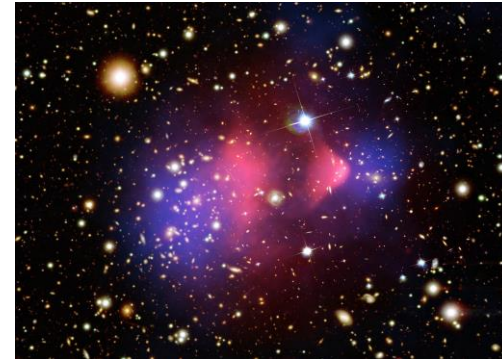
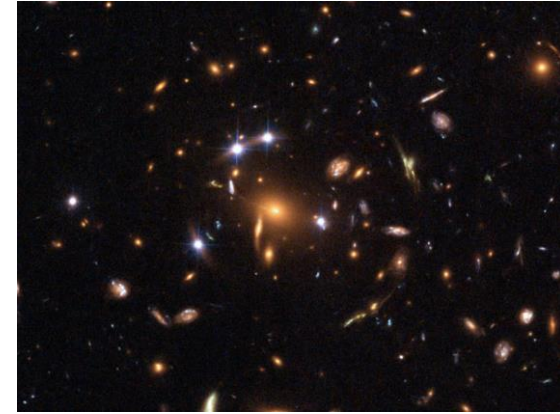
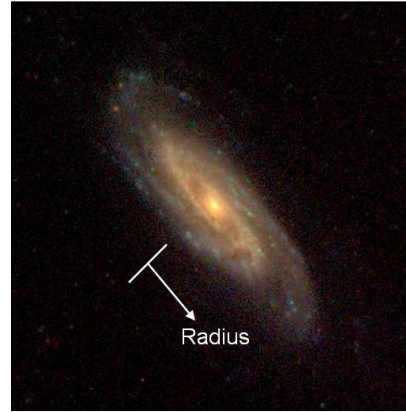
BACKUP SLIDES

EVIDENCE FOR DARK MATTER



Substantial evidence that dark matter exists:

- Rotational Speed of Galaxies
 - Spinning faster than it should
- Gravitational Lensing
 - Bending light more than it should
- Bullet Cluster
 - After effects of galaxy clusters colliding
 - Visible matter showed signs of collision – gravity centers did not

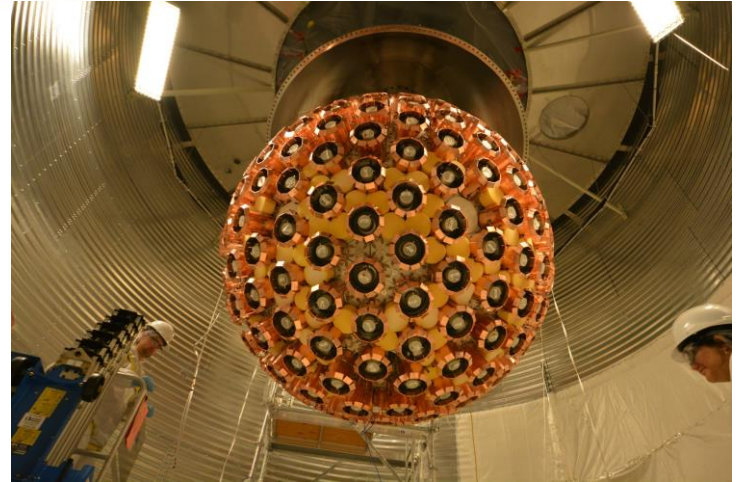


DARK MATTER DETECTION @ SNOLAB



Liquid Argon Target (DEAP/MiniCLEAN)

- Dark Matter collision produces nucleous recoil
- Recoil produces light
- Detector surrounded by sensitive light detectors
- Use signal characteristics to screen out background events

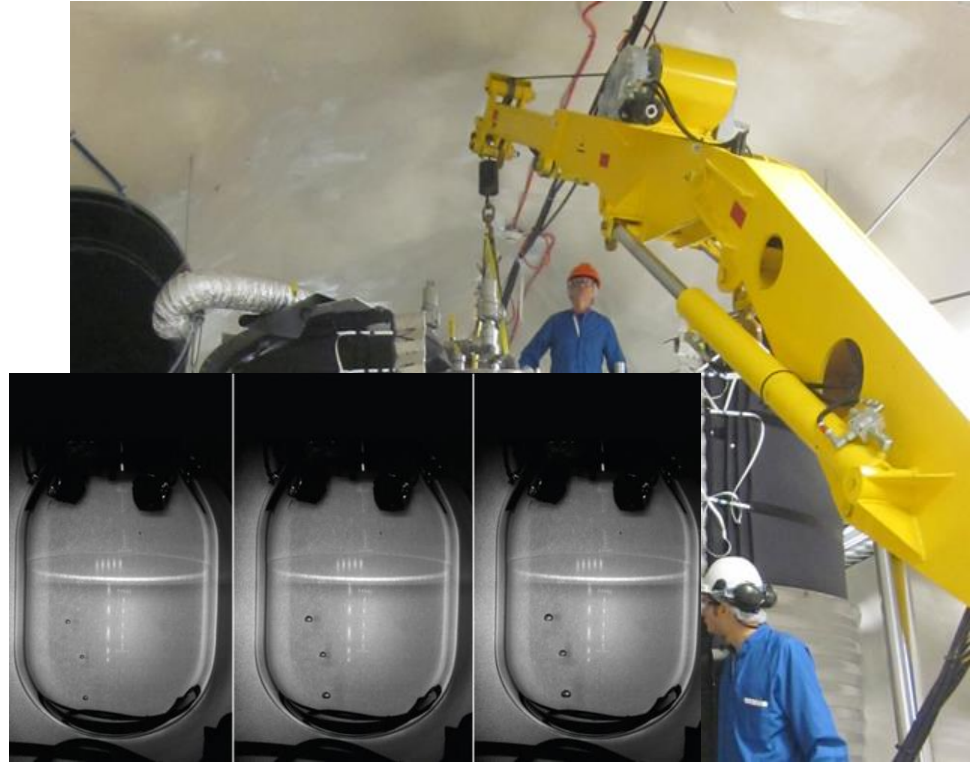


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Bubble chambers (PICO)

- Superheated fluid in extremely pure container
- Temperature and pressure controlled to bring into superheated state
- The 'kick' to cause bubble nucleation comes from dark matter or neutron collision
- Look and listen for bubble formation



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Ge and Si Crystals (SuperCDMS)

- Extremely pure Ge and Si act as radiation detectors
- Cool to near absolute zero, shield, and monitor
- Record electrical signal generated

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CCD Technology (DAMIC)

- Take pictures of nothing
- Cool to near absolute zero, limit all light and radiation
- In theory the only thing creating tracks is something you don't understand