Quantum Technologies for Neutrino Mass



Physics Objective

Neutrino mass measurement from atomic ³H β-decay via Cyclotron Radiation Emission Spectroscopy using latest advances in quantum technologies.



 $\overline{10^{-3}} m^3 \rightarrow 1 y_{ear}, \sigma_B / B = 10^{-6}$ 0.05 m3 3 *1 year, OB/B = sensitivity on m_{eta} [eV/ c^2] 10⁰ 10-6 KATRIN (current) KATRIN (final sensitivity) 10 m³ \rightarrow 10 years, $\sigma_B/B = 10^{-10}$ 10⁻¹ $m_{\beta}^{\min}(IO)$ 90% CL 10 m³ \rightarrow 10 years, $\sigma_B/B = 10^{-7}$ 10⁻² 10^{10} 10¹¹ 10^{12} 10¹³ 108 10⁹ 10¹⁴ T atom number density [cm⁻³]

Exposures and sensitivity

- Eventually targeting lower bound of N.O. ~10 meV
- BSM physics using full spectrum

QTNM Schematics and Exposure Scalability





beam source



Technology Demonstration (2021-2025): <u>CRESDA</u>-0 = <u>CRES</u> <u>D</u>emonstration <u>Apparatus</u>

- Quantum noise limited microwave sensors at TRL7/8 for CRES at ~18GHz (corresponding to 0.7T field)
- 3D B-field mapping with ≤1 μT precision, using H-atoms as quantum sensors (Rydberg Magnetometry)
- Production and confinement of H-atoms, $\geq 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- Modelling tools for CRES and neutrino mass

Preferred Location: Culham Centre for Fusion Energy





Project Phases

<u>CRESDA0</u> \rightarrow CRESDA-Tritium \rightarrow 100 meV \rightarrow 50 meV \rightarrow 10 meV

Current (2021-2025) 2026-2030

- Cost of ultimate experiment to be estimated in next phase. O(£100M) expected
- UK to lead across all major activities with biggest contributions using its strengths in quantum tech:

quantum noise limited SC-electronics, Magnetometry, Cold atom source

2030......2040

Ultimate experiment by joint international collaboration

Competition and Partnership

- Project-8 first proposed CRES, demonstrated feasibility and produced 1st T₂ spectrum measurement
- Project-8 and QTNM pursue different avenues for atomic source and CRES detection
- QTNM has competitive edge in quantum tech aspects: Rydberg magnetometry and quantum amplifiers. Competitive results in producing and controlling atomic H.
- Project-8 and QTNM signed Consortium Agreement outlining vision for a joint ultimate experiment taking best developments from both projects
 - QTNM, Project-8 and KATRIN++ established Joint Atomic Tritium Working Group
- PTOLEMY (aim: Cosmic Neutrino Background)
- Calorimeter experiments with ¹⁶³Ho, ECHo, HOLMES. Complementary to ³H experiments but sensitivity is still far off

Key Challenges

- Scaling up technology to large volumes/exposures mitigated by phased approach
- Uniformity of B-field in large volumes QTNM holds a competitive edge in magnetometry