IEU and International Research

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Outline

- Introduction to IEU
- What Goes on at the IEU?
- What is Different about the IEU and International Research?
- What is Professional Work in Cosmology and Astrophysics?

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- George Smoot leveraged expertise in Experimental Cosmology and Changrim Ahn experience in Theoretical Astroparticle Physics to be Director and P.I.
 - laboratory facilities, projects
 - powerful simulation computers
 - Theory faculty
 - Most Important: funds to hire faculty, postdocs, students, selection of the best people

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- Black Holes & neutron stars have extreme gravity, particle acceleration (Maybe origin of highest energy cosmic ray particles.)

IEU Projects

- UFFO
- BigBOSS
- Cosmology Simulations
 - Cosmological simulations
 - Simulations of observations
- Astro-Particle Theory

UFFO

- Ultra-Fast Flash Observatory
 - X-ray and fast beam-steered optical telescope to make rapid optical measurements of Gamma-Ray Bursts (GRBs)
- To Fly on Lomonosov Spacecraft ~2013 June



BigBOSS - Instrument



BigBOSS



Science Goals: BAO from 20+ million redshifts

Sensitivity to new physics scales as volume surveys -- # of modes



Automation for 5000 Binned Radial Profile of image 200 150 Original Intensity(ADU) "Custom" Instrument 100 50 20 0 40 Appearance

BigBOSS in IEU Lab

Precision Testing of optical Fibers





Cosmology and Simulations

- Eric Linder works on Cosmology theory and the interaction of that theory with measurements, in particular Dark Energy and cosmology.
- Uros Seljack works on Galaxy Clustering, Lensing, CMB anisotropies, and developed a code for perturbing standard CMB theory for predictions.



Yang / Cream / AMD

High-Energy Cosmic Rays and Particles

 Jongman Yang is involved in Cream, the Sam Ting Experiment (AMD) on the ISS, and high-altitude cosmic ray balloon measurements.



Figure 1. Photo of the CREAM Instrument during integration.



Figure 2. Schematic cross section drawing of major CREAM detector systems.



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