

# THE NAKED SINGULARITY

## Test Week Test Week Spring Break

It's the new game thats sweeping the nation. Sit three weeks in a circle and walk around them saying this phrase. If you had played the game before this week it would have made more sense. Now there's just one week left. Some teachers just realized they have to give you a test before the drop date. Other's are on round two and trying their hardest to make you work over break. Either way, you get donuts!

### TSHIRT NEWS

We still have shirts! You ordered them! Don't you want them?!? If you want one and didn't order one talk to us, we may have extras

thanks everybody,

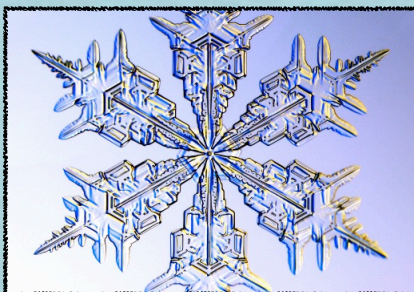
-Sam Rosenkrantz



## Scientific Method Takes Time

The scientific team stationed at CERN who first reported on their faster-than-light neutrino findings last September have come forward with a report stating that there may in fact be problems with their experimental set-up. Namely, some of the cables used may be

faulty, and a mechanism used for the timing of the events may not be calibrated as precisely as previously thought. The timestamps of the events were generated by an oscillator, which, you can imagine, can be hard to tune spot-on. (continues on next page)



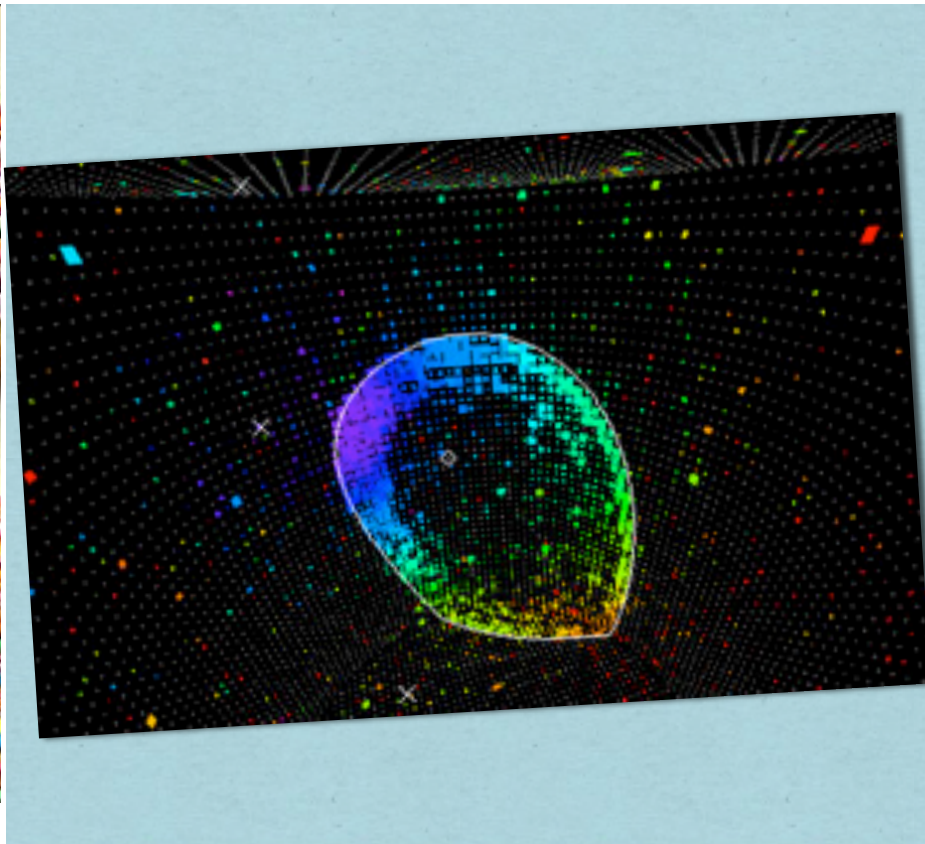
**WE SAW A FEW OF THEM!** The snow didn't stick around long but it was pretty awesome right. Maybe again tomorrow? I'll be wearing my pajamas inside out!



**SAME FRIDGE!** Keep it clean keep it nice. Sodas seem to be dead. Don't unplug it. Love it like your own. Don't hate it too much cause it makes noise



**BRAIN TEASER!** Can the Capitals make the playoffs? Nobody but me and Peebles care but the rest of you should. Hockey is awesome.



These results are not exactly seen as surprising by the vast majority of the physics community; many had speculated that a problem would inevitably be found in the timing between the two locations, which are separated by more than 400 miles. A few others took the opportunity to explain the initial findings with exotic and esoteric theories involving higher spatial dimensions. With the new results, these theories may remain unproven.

This whole episode has showcased the extreme care that must be taken when dealing with cutting-edge physics experiments.

Measuring differences in timing of only a few nanoseconds reliably, consistently, and repeatedly is a markedly difficult feat, no matter how much your equipment costs. It should be noted, however, that the recent report does not conclusively prove or rule out the original findings, although it does cast significant doubt upon them. Remember kids, before you conduct an experiment, closely check your oscillators!

-Kyle Novak