

ANTIMATTER IN THE LAB

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Content

LECTURE # 1 (This lecture)

- What is antimatter?
- Some historical reminders
- Discrete symmetries
- Primordial antimatter search

LECTURE # 2 (This lecture)

- Antiprotons at low energies : cooling and trapping
- Experiments at the AD : exotic atoms made of antimatter
- Antihydrogen : a tool to study matter-antimatter asymmetry
- Everyday's application of antimatter

Production of antimatter

The case of antiprotons

$$p + p \to \bar{p} + p + p + p$$

$$\sqrt{s} = \sqrt{2m_p^2 + 2E_p m_p}$$

Pair production : Threshold energy at 5.6 GeV

Bevatron was right at threshold when producing the first antiprotons !

Need higher proton energies to produce more antiprotons

Antiproton Cooling



Production at 26 GeV/c

Maximum production at 3.7 GeV/c (~ collection momentum) Sharp fall-off around the peak

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FIG. 1. Normalized antiproton yield (antiprotons per proton) at 26 GeV/c proton-beam momentum. The normalization is chosen so that the yield is one at the maximum.

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Antiproton Cooling

Cooling : reduce phase space and increase phase-space density



 E_h , E_v : horizontal, vertical emittances L: longitudinal spread N: number of particles $\Delta p/p$: momentum spread

Cooling methods :

- Stochastic cooling
- Electron cooling



Electron cooling



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Stochastic cooling

Measure beam center by pick-ups Correction signal to opposite kicker

Pioneered at CERN for discovery W,Z bosons

Nobel Prize S. van der Meer

Cooling power decreases with decreasing energy

Cooling time ~ number of particles

 $\frac{\Delta p/p \sim 0.07\%}{\epsilon = 3-4~\pi \mathrm{mm.mrad}}$

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The AD Facility

The AD complex

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Penning traps

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AD experiments

Proton

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Antihydrogen experiments

 $\begin{array}{c} \bar{p} + e^+ \rightarrow \bar{H} + \gamma \\ \bar{p} + e^+ + e^+ \rightarrow \bar{H} + e^+ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Asacusa} \\ \text{Alpha} \\ \text{Atrap} \end{array}$

P

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 π^+

Production and detection of cold antihydrogen atoms

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Spectroscopy of \overline{H}

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Hyperfine splitting

21cm line

Hyperfine splitting

EXPERIMENTAL CONCEPTS

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<u>In a BEAM:</u>

Precision of ~3Hz on HYDROGEN 70 ν - ν_{lit} (kHz) Data 30 -10 10 20 60 Simulation 25.0 M. Ahmadi et al. 50 countrate (kHz) Counts 40 Nature 548, 66–69 (2017) 24.5 30 24.0 20 10 0.0 spin flip prob. 0 0.5 1,420.4 -1.20 1.2 1.419.2 2.4 1.422.8 3.6 1.421.6 1.424 b) 1.0 Relative frequency (MHz) 20 Trappable low-field-seeking states -0.5 $|c\rangle = |\downarrow \uparrow\rangle$ $|d\rangle = |\downarrow \downarrow\rangle$ 15 10 felative energy (GHz) c) 5 I_{HC} (A) 0.0 0 -5 -10 0.5 -15 C) Untrappable high-field-seeking states M. Diermaier et al. Nature $|a\rangle = |\uparrow |\rangle$ $|b\rangle = |\uparrow \uparrow\uparrow\rangle$ -20 0 5 15 20 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0 1.2 1.4 0 Communications 8, v_{c} - v_{lit} (kHz) Magnetic field, B (T) 15749 (2017)

STATUS OF 1S-2S OF H

In a TRAP: Relative precision obtained : 2 × 10⁻¹² (~ 5 kHz)

Comparison to H in the same apparatus

- Constraints for further precision
- More **H**
- Control the QS (for beam)
- Colder \overline{H} :
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Observation of the 1S–2P Lyman- α transition in antihydrogen M. Ahmadi et al., Nature 561, 211-215 (2018)

ON THE GRAVITY SIDE

STATUS OF THE FIELD

Green dots---simulated annihilations

Red circles---434 Observed annihilations

Vertical position of annihilation vertex during release of trapping field

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RECENT GRAVITY HIGHLIGHTS

New antimatter gravity experiments begin at CERN

The ALPHA-g and GBAR experiments have received their first beams of antiprotons

2 NOVEMBER, 2018 | By Ana Lopes

GBAR & ALPHA-g getting their first beam

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FUTURE GRAVITY GOALS

Plurality of approaches

VERTICAL TRAP - increase up/down sensitivity (up to 1.3m trapping range) - much improved field control

Sign measurement planned soon 1% targeted \overline{H} cooling to ~20 mK and advanced magnetometry

H⁺ BEAM

- Cooling below 1 m/s : Sympathetic cooling of \overline{H}^+ - opens new horizons

<u>1% measurement</u> targeted

Some numbers to set the scale

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ANTIPROTON EXPERIMENTS

 $v_c^2 = v_{-}^2 + v_{z}^2 + v_{+}^2$ superposition В reduced cyclotron motion Inject antiprotons along magnetic field axis end cap B Energy ~ few keV magnetron m axial motion compensation electrode С R Precisions measurement : only 1 p ring electrode U = IRcompensation Detect image current in resonance electrode circuit due to charge movement in $dE_p/dt = P_{cool} = -I^2R$ the Penning trap end cap →cooling Detection by cryogenic resonance circuit (low noise)

G. Gabrielse, W. Quint (LEAR)

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 $\frac{g_{p,\bar{p}}}{2} = \frac{\nu_L}{\nu_c} = \frac{\mu_{p,\bar{p}}}{\mu_N}$

 $\frac{g_p}{2}$ = 2.792 847 344 62 (82)

G. Schneider et al., Science 358, 1081 (2017)

 $\frac{g_{\overline{p}}}{2} = 2.792\ 847\ 344\ 1\ (42)$

C. Smorra et al., Nature 550, 371 (2017)

Previous work by the ATRAP collaboration Di Saccia et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 130801 (2013)

first measurement more precise for antimatter than for matter

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ANTIPROTONIC HELIUM

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Your body produces antimatter:

The body of an 80 kg individual produces 180 positrons per hour! These come mostly from the disintegration of potassium-40, a natural isotope which is absorbed by drinking water, eating and breathing.

10 e+/s !

" **DAILY**" **Applications of antimatter - PET**

Antiprotons in accelerators! Antiprotons for nuclear studies (PUMA)

Antiproton Therapy (under study)

Medical imaging : PET

100 minutes)

positron lifetime spectroscopy : positron wavefunction can be localized in the attractive potential of a defect Check material structure, defects etc

A fuel?

Most powerful fuel you can imagine.

1g would be enough to drive a car around the earth for 1000 times or bring the space shuttle into orbit BUT

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a year of \bar{p} trapped and annihilating would illuminate a light bulb for 5s

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ENTERING PRECISION AREA WITH ANTIHYDROGEN

MANY OTHER IDEAS : CHARGE NEUTRALITY, PROTONIUM SPECTROSCOPY, PORTABLE PBAR TRAP ...

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