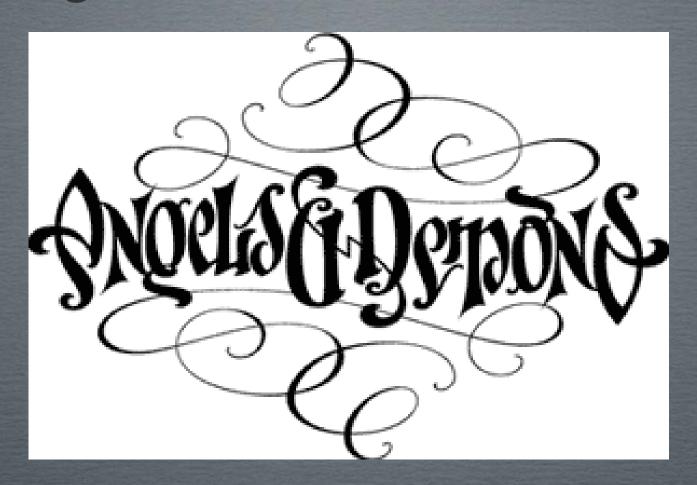
## Angels, demons, CERN



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Research Physicist (antimatter) Head of Education Group

## STORY LINE



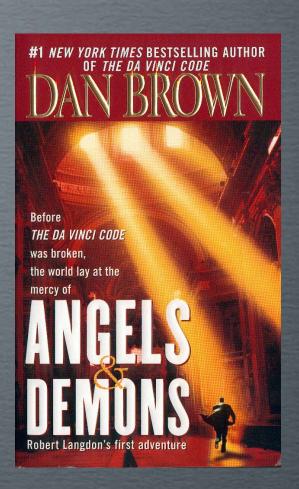
Detective story about a secret society which ...



... steals 1 g of antimatter from a place called "CERN" ...



... to blow up the Vatican, an old "enemy of science and CERN".



A mix of fact and fiction. What is true? What is false?

## Questions

Does antimatter exist?

Is it the energy source of the future?

Is it a dangerous weapon?

Are there other uses of antimatter?

Why does CERN produce antimatter?

## DOES ANTIMATTER EXIST?

Yes:

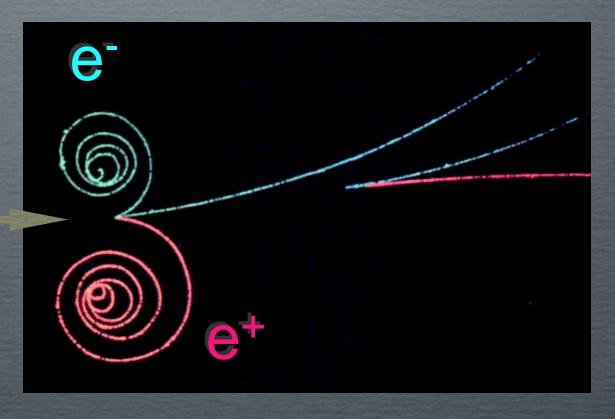
 $E = mc^2$ 

**Quantum Theory** 



Same mass, opposite charge

Energy (e.g. photon)



Mass





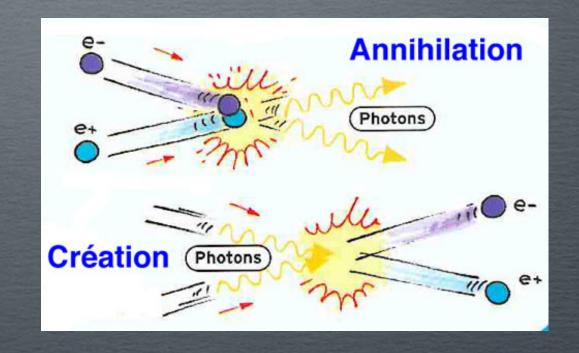




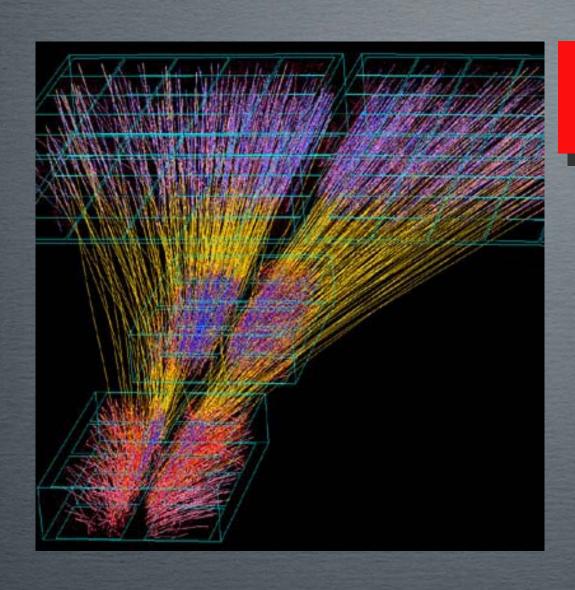








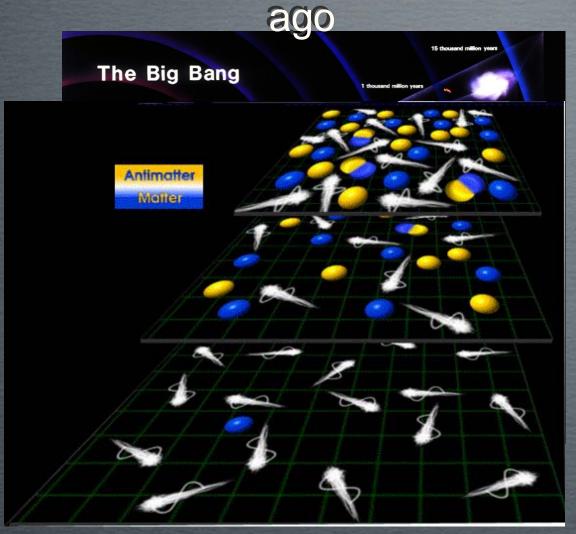
## ANTIMATTER PRODUCTION



When very high energy particles collide, 50% of the newly created mass goes into antiparticles

## WHY STUDY ANTIMATTER?

13,700 million years



Transformation of energy into mass

on a gigantic scale t ~ 0:

equal amounts of matter/antimatter t < 0.001 s :

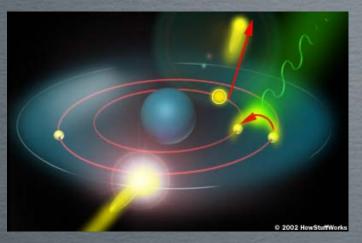
all antimatter has disappeared,

but some matter (us!) left

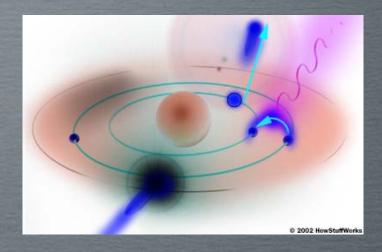
reason?

## IS THERE A DIFFERENCE?

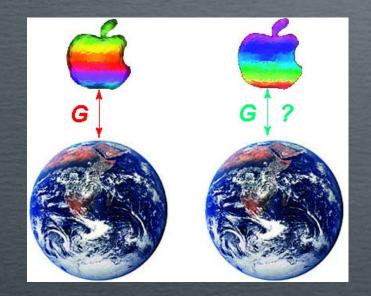
PRECISION STUDIES WITH ANTIHYDROGEN







ATOMIC LEVELS OF HYDROGEN AND ANTIHYDROGEN



ANTIHYDROGEN - GRAVITATION ?

## Two Milestones in Antihydrogen Physics

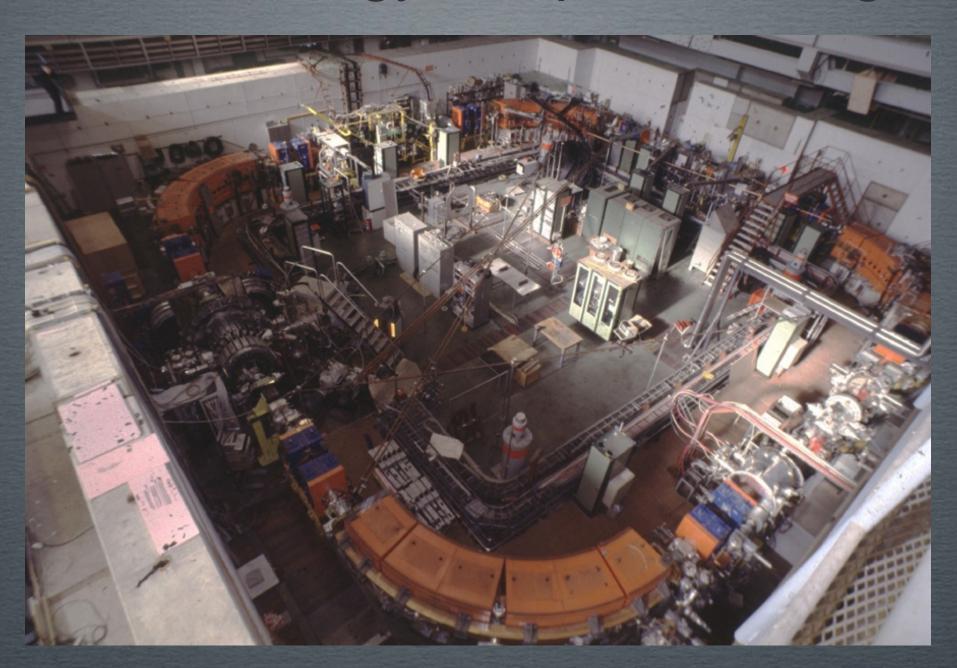
1996:

First production of 9 antihydrogen atoms at LEAR (CERN), moving with 90% of the speed of light

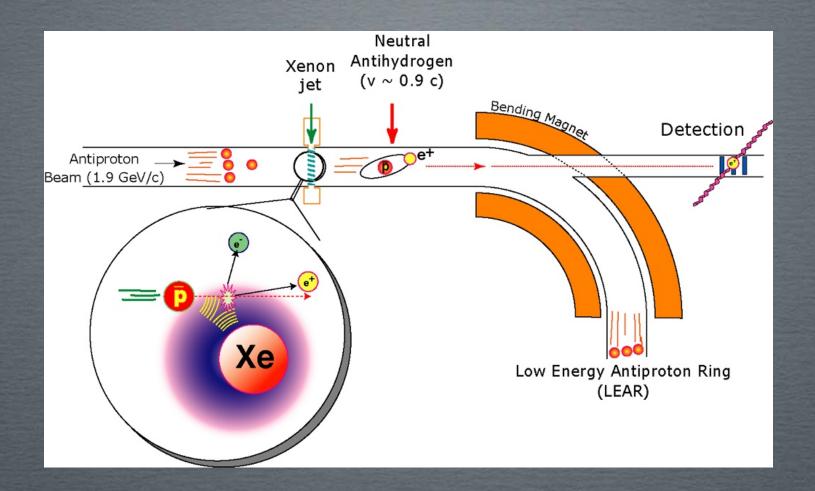
2002:

Production of 1,000,000 antihydrogen atoms at the AD (CERN), moving with 1/1,000,000 of the speed of light

## Low Energy Antiproton Ring



#### 1996: FIRST PRODUCTION AT LEEAR



**VERY EXCITING START OF ANTIHYDROGEN PROGRAM AT CERN** 

NOT VERY USEFUL FOR PRECISION EXPERIMENTS (too fast)

### ES AROUND THE WORLD

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期星/日五月二年五十八國民華中

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健才江〇

義意大重有算不還上學科在但,錄紀先領到得雖



追們他在站 (右) 奎瑪家學論理的學大亞內熱利大意和 (左) 特勒敵

勒特證實

· 前项LEAR的股實行

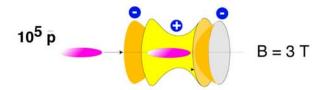
(供題CERN)

# 如何創生?

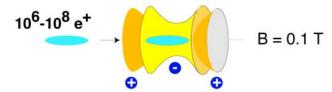
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### How to produce more + colder antihydrogen?

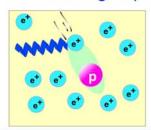
Antiproton Capture into Penning Trap



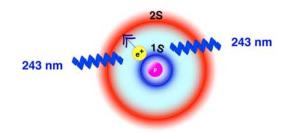
Positron Accumulation from Na-22 source



Positron-Antiproton Recombination in multi-ring trap



- Antihydrogen Detection
  - Annihilation products: 2 layers x 16 Si Strips
  - 511 keV Gammas: 192 Csl Xtals + Photodiodes
- 5 Antihydrogen **Storage** in Magnetic Bottle Magnetic well depth ~ 0.35 K (35 μeV) (PHASE 2)
- 6 2-Photon Laser Spectroscopy: ∆E (1S-2S) (PHASE 2)



Comparison H: H with precision 10<sup>-12</sup> ...10<sup>-15</sup>

## ANTIPROTON DECELERATOR (AD)



188 m long
Antiproton Production,
Storage and Deceleration
3 - 0.005 GeV energy

Original motivation
(~1980):
Make antiproton beams
for acceleration in the
'SPS collider' - to
produce 'vector bosons':
NOBEL PRIZE FOR TWO
CERN PHYSICISTS

### ANTIHYDROGEN PRODUCTION

QuickTime™ and a MPEG-4 Video decompressor are needed to see this picture.

## energy source of the future?

$$E = mc^2$$

1 kg = 
$$9 \cdot 10^{16}$$
 J = 2.9 GW yr

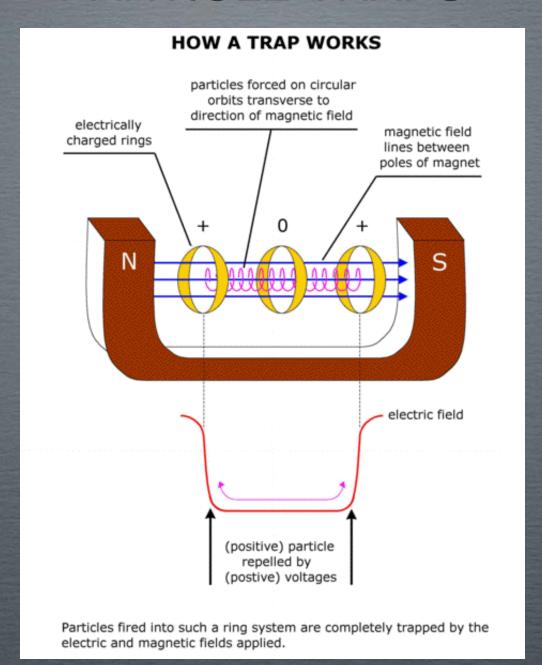


10<sup>12</sup> antiprotons (10<sup>-12</sup> g) ~ 30 MW · day ~ 10<sup>6</sup> kWh ~ 100 k€

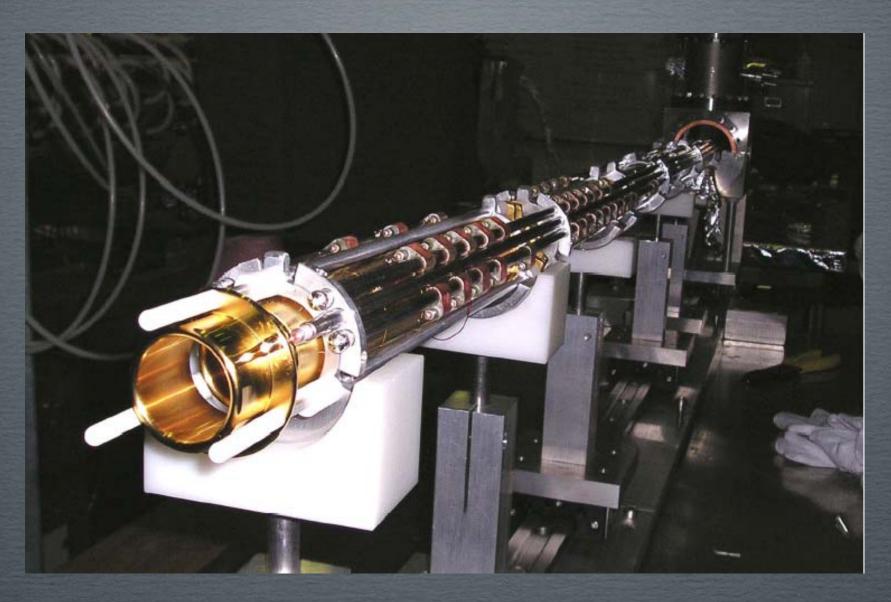
1 g antimatter ~ 100,000,000 billion €

No antimatter mines!

### PARTICLE TRAPS



## 2002 - athena experiment



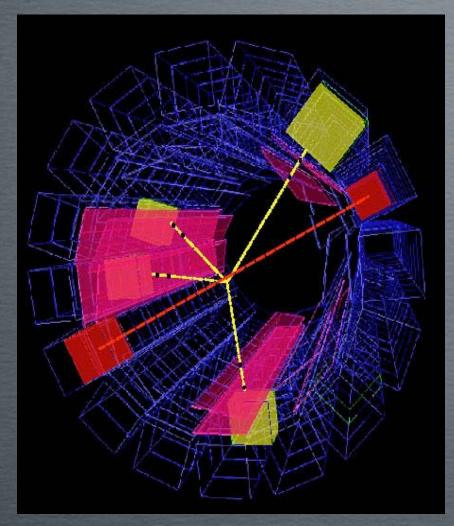
Trap for antiparticle storage

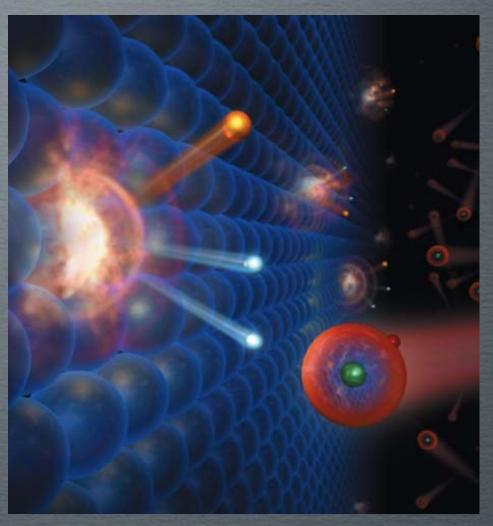
## 2002 - athena experiment



First production of more than 1 million antihydrogen atoms

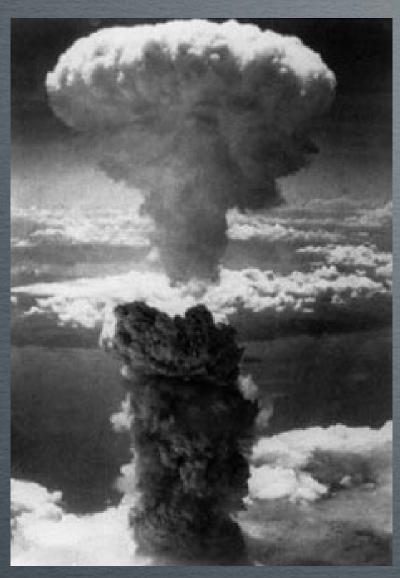
### 2002 - athena experiment produces 1 million antihydrogen atoms





Signature of antihydrogen anti-atoms are not trapped and annihilate at the wall

## ANTIMATTER: A DANGEROUS WEAPON?



 $E = mc^2$ 

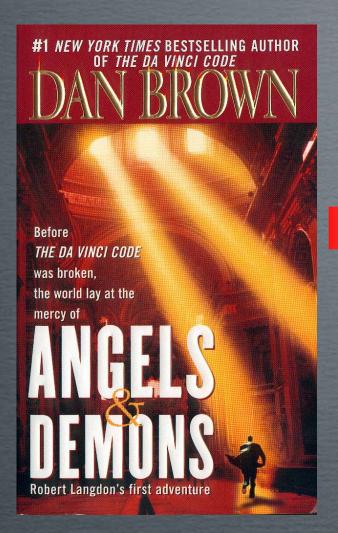
 $20 \text{ kt TNT} = 8.4 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ J}$ 

0.5 g antimatter + 0.5 g matter

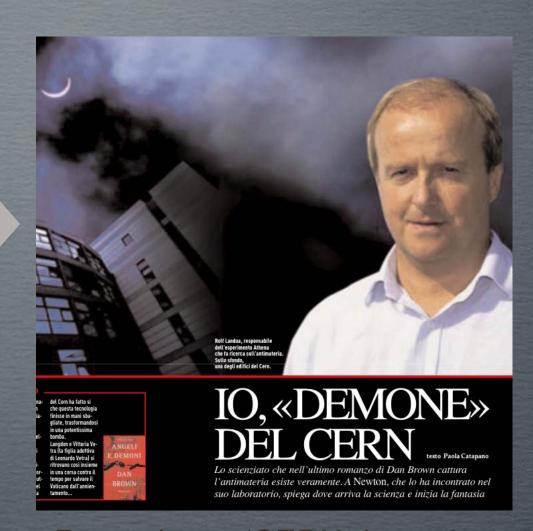
Cost: 50,000,000 billion € Production time: ~ 3 billion years

Hiroshima Atomic Bomb

## 2002: STILL A LOT OF HEADLINES, AND... AS A BY-PRODUCT



LEONARDO VETRA

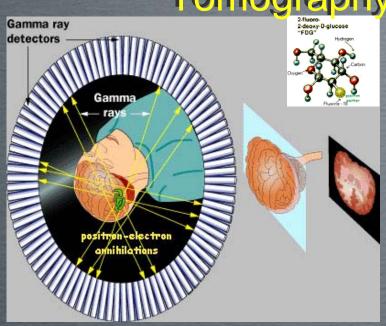


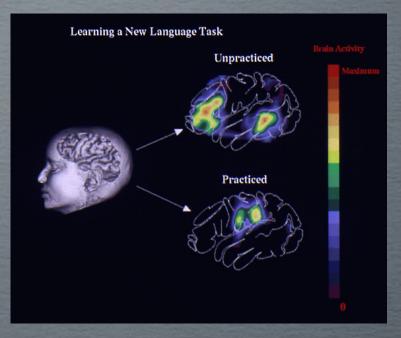
Promotion to 'CERN demon' (thanks, Dan)

## other uses of antimatter

**Positron Emission** 

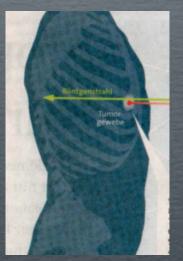
Tomography





Tumour treatment with antiprotons?

(CERN experiment AD-4/ACE)



Thank you for your attention