

ANTIMATTER IS SENSITIVE TO LIGHT AND VIBRATIONS

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR PHONES AND AVOID FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY IF POSSIBLE









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2011 - 2012 KAUST (Saudi Arabia)



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ANTIMATTER FACTORY





WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ANTIMATTER?

VIDEO OF THE FIRST DISCOVERY OF ANTIMATTER



Highlights

- Antimatter is real
- We can create and trap antimatter
- We can see and study antimatter (with our detectors)
- We can use antimatter (for example in medical imaging)
- Antimatter physics is really cool and really fun!

WHAT IS MATTER?

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SO, WHAT IS ANTIMATTER?

Paul Dirac (1928)



Quantum Theory + Special Relativity $(i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m)\Psi = 0$



SO, WHAT IS ANTIMATTER?

Paul Dirac (1928)

Carl Anderson (1932)



2 solutions!

+ solution -> electron

- $sc(i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m)$ the hysical distribution of the second

...this means anti-electron!







Matter particles have "twins" with same mass, but opposite charge Electron
Matter:



SO, WHAT IS ANTIMATTER?



same mass same spin opposite charge

SO, WHAT IS ANTIMATTER?



WHEN MATTER MEETS ANTIMATTER...

Watch Out!





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- Annihilation!
- Conversion to Energy γ γ $E = mc^2$

WHEN MATTER MEETS ANTIMATTER...

- Positron / Electron: photons (511 keV)
- Antiproton / Proton: Many possibilities Pions, etc.





proton / antiproton Annihilation

HOW MUCH ENERGY IS THERE IN ANTIMATTER?



HOW TO USE ENERGY FROM ANTIMATTER?

- Starships? need "only" 1 ton to go to alpha centauri!
- Bombs? need "only" 1/4 g to blow up the Vatican!





HOW MUCH ENERGY IS THERE IN ANTIMATTER?

10 grains of (anti)rice = 0.25 grams

 $E = 2 \text{ mc}^2 = 2 (0.25 \times 10^3)(3 \times 10^8)^2 = 45 \text{ Trillion Joules}$

1 kiloton of TNT = 4.2 Trillion Joules

10 grains of rice + 10 grains of anti-rice = 10 kiloton of TNT

atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima = 14 kiloton of TNT and contained 64kg of enriched uranium!

More than enough to destroy the Vatican City! How long before we have an Antimatter Bomb?

TIME AND COST OF PRODUCING ANTIMATTER

~30 Million antiprotons every 2 minutes

In order to create 0.25 grams, we just need to wait...



WHAT IS ANTIMATTER USED FOR?

POSITRON EMISSION TOMOGRAPHY (PET) SCAN





ANTIPROTON RADIATION THERAPY

Antiproton Cell Experiment (ACE) at CERN



Plot of energy deposited by different forms of radiation

- antiprotons four times as potent as protons
- clinical applications still many years away

CAN WE ALSO USE ANTIMATTER TO SOLVE SOME OF THE PUZZLES OF THE UNIVERSE?

THE PUZZLE

- Annihilation is symmetric like a mirror image.
- So is pair-production (the opposite process).



 The Universe started from energy, the big bang... so there should be equal amounts matter & antimatter... but there isn't... and it's worse...

Fraction of Antimatter in the Visible Universe?



On the big Bang theory: For every one billion particles of antimatter there were one billion and one particles of matter. And when the mutual annihilation was complete, one billionth remained - and that's our present universe.

(Albert Einstein)

Going through the looking glass...

We need to determine what, if anything is different about antimatter...



INVESTIGATING THE ANTIMATTER WORLD

- Scientists are looking at antiparticles individually, like positrons, antiprotons, etc.
- But we are also looking at more complex antimatter systems, like anti-atoms...

THE SIMPLEST (ANTI)ATOM



WHY IS ANTIHYDROGEN IMPORTANT?

- Only pure antimatter system so far
- Antihydrogen is neutral
- High-precision comparisons with hydrogen
ANTIHYDROGEN SPECTROSCOPY



 H-H comparison by 1s-2s two photon spectroscopy.

Motivation for 1S-2S Spectroscopy

The 1S-2S transition frequency in hydrogen is one of the most precisely measured numbers in physics:

f_{1S-2S} = 2466061413187035(10) Hz

LET'S MAKE SOME ANTIHYDROGEN!

- Positrons: β^+ decay from a radioactive source
- Antiprotons: high-energy collisions in a particle accelerator



WHERE TO MAKE ANTIPROTONS?



Antiproton Decelerator (AD) at CERN



Maury. S. et al. Hyp. Int. 109 43 (1997)

THE ANTIPROTON DECELERATOR



ANTIPROTON PRODUCTION

- Energetic proton creates Proton/Antiproton pair
- Charge/Mass selected



Cern Proton Synchrotron



+



3.7 GeV/c

(and other stuff)



Making antiprotons at the AD

$p+N \to N^* + \bar{p} + p + X$





Ref. :C. Torregrosa, A. Perillo-Marcone, M. Calviani, CERN-ACCC-NOTE-2015-0004

ANTIPROTON COOLING



ELECTRON COOLING

Scheme of the electron cooling

<u>The energy transfer</u> <u>from the hot ions to</u> <u>the cold electrons</u>



ELECTRON COOLING

- Superposition of cold intense e-beam with pbarsat same velocity
- Momentum transfer by Coulomb collisions
- Cooling results from energy loss in co-moving gas of free electrons



$$v_e = \beta_e c = \beta_p c = v_p$$
$$E_e = \frac{m_e E}{m_p} p$$

 m_e ...electron mass m_p ...pmass E_e ...electron kinetic energy E_p ...Pbar kinetic energy

e.g. 220 keV electrons cool 400 MeV pbars

STOCHASTIC COOLING



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Tested first time 1977 together with electron cooling at CERN in the ICE (initial cooling experiment)



Stochastic cooling invented at CERN by Simon van der Meer

Nobel Prize 1984



Btw. Stochastic cooling system at AD completely renovated during LS2

momentum





AD Experimental Area

BASE

SACUS

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ARD

ATRAP





How are we holding on to this "stuff" !?





Atoms are Neutral



Atoms are tiny magnets...



Suspending magnets by magnets...



Antihydrogen trapping



Antihydrogen trapping



EVOLUTION OF ANTIHYDROGEN PRODUCTION

Quick History Lesson

1995

first antihydrogen atoms created at LEAR facility at CERN

2002

ATHENA and ATRAP created thousands of "cold" antihydrogen atoms

2010 first "trapped" antihydrogen made at ALPHA

2011 ALPHA traps antihydrogen for 1,000 seconds

> 2014 ALPHA-2 goes online!

EVOLUTION OF ANTIHYDROGEN TRAPPING



Antihydrogen Trapping in ALPHA

Magnetic Traps



anti-parallel field -> trapped

Magnetically Trapped Atoms



FIRST QUANTUM TRANSITIONS

- A trapped atom in the ground state, even if there is only one, is a platform for starting to compare antihydrogen and hydrogen.
- Diagnostic of one H

 Annihilation detection
- Method : Lose H
 resonantly
 from the trap by inducing a
 spin flip





microwave spectroscopy



1S - 2S Excitation

1s-2s Setup



Experimental Procedure 2016

- Create trapped antihydrogen atoms by mixing antiproton and positron plasmas (about 20 atoms)
- * Clear out any remaining charged particles
- * 300s laser exposure
- Ramp down magnets to detect remaining atoms
- Stypes of trials:
 - On Resonance
 - Off Resonance
 - No Laser
- 11 repetitions of each trial were conducted

Results: Disappearance Mode

* Count the atoms left in the trap after laser exposure

Туре	Detected Event	Background	Uncertainty	
On Resonance	67	0.7	8.2	
Off Resonance	159	0.7	13	
No Laser	142	0.7	12	

(detector efficiency: 0.688)

On and Off Resonance differ by 92 ± 15 counts

Results: Appearance Mode

* Look for annihilations during the 300s laser exposure times

Detected Event	Background	Uncertainty
79	28.4	8.9
27	28.4	5.2
30	28.4	5.5
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(detector efficiency: 0.376)

Milestone achieved after 30 years of hard work! LETTER

Observation of the 1S–2S transition in trapped antihydrogen

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2016 Result





Experimental Procedure 2017

- Trap antihydrogen (about 40 atoms)
- Clear out any remaining charged particles
- * 300s laser exposure at fixed frequency near transition
- Ramp down magnets to detect remaining atoms
- Interspersed trials of 4 different laser frequencies in a frequency "set"
- * 4 sets of 4 frequencies completed over 10 weeks
- % 9 unique laser frequencies used on ~15,000 atoms

2016 Result





2017 Result



Characterization of the 1S–2S transition in antihydrogen

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"Media" Coverage

Science

In breakthrough experiment, scientists shine a light on antimatter



Physicist Jeffrey Hangst in the ALPHA-2 lab at CERN, where researchers are probing antimatter with laser beams to illuminate its secrets. (CERN)

Laser Cooling Antimatter



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Laser Cooling Setup



2021 Result



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Dr Muhammed Sameed, Life Member of KSS: An Integral Part of the Recent Groundbreaking Experiment on Antimatter at CERN



T-MAGAZINE NEXT STORY WHERE DID THE ANTIMATTER GO?

A young Pakistani scientist at CERN explores the fundamental questions about the mysterious elusive material



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eed, Life Member of Khwarizmi Science Society and a Pakistani physicist working xperiment team members for achieving the groundbreaking laser cooling of antion the cover of Nature magazine, issue April 2021! This is the first time in history novement in atoms with the use of photons, has been successfully applied to unterpart to matter.



Motivation for Antimatter Gravity

Hydrogen

Antihydrogen

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Antihydrogen





Earth



Anti-Earth





ALPHA-g

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- * Conceptually simple experiment:
 - 1. Create and trap antihydrogen atoms in a vertical trap
 - 2. Release the atoms
 - 3. Observe the annihilation distribution of the released atoms

* ALPHA-g features

- Sm long, 50cm bore superconducting solenoid to provide background magnetic field
- Two independent and identical antihydrogen traps to cancel systematics
- One analysis trap in the center for precision measurements
- A radial time-projection chamber (rTPC) annihilation detector

ALPHA-g Status (Jan 2018)





e+

Positron accumulator not shown

ALPHA-g Target (Sep 2018)



ALPHA-g Completed (Nov 2018)



ALPHA-g Upgrades (2019 - 2021)



ALPHA-g Restart (April 2022)



ALPHA-g Restart (April 2022 - Now)



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ALPHA-g Restart (April 2022 - Now)



ALPHA-g Restart (April 2022 - Now)

Results Coming Soon!

Where does this leave us ?

- We have created and trapped antihydrogen - an atom Nature has never made.
- We have had the first quantum jumps and now additionally a glimpse (~10⁻¹²) inside...
- We have chilled antihydrogen atoms to less than 1 mK above absolute zero!!!
- We are now ready to make measurements on antimatter gravity... finally! :)





And the missing antimatter ?

- It's still gone.
- We have seen no difference between the anti-world and the normal world so far
- But we are getting very very close to finding out where it is hiding! :)

WHAT'S IN A BANANA?



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K⁴⁰ is unstable ar

1 out of every 100

of potassium

n: K³⁹, K⁴⁰, and K⁴¹

17 ppm is K⁴⁰

of 3.938 x 1016 s

oduces a positron

Bananas => Potassium => Antimatter!!!

WHAT'S IN A BANANA?

Bananas => Potassium => Antimatter!!!

1 banana = 450mg of potassium

- $= 6.93 \times 10^{21}$ atoms of potassium
- $= 8.11 \times 10^{17}$ atoms of K⁴⁰
- = 21 decays of K^{40} per second

DURING A 1-HOUR LECTURE

POSITRONS EMITTED BY A BANANA

- = 1 positron produced every 81 minutes

WHAT'S THE ANTIMATTER WITH YOU?



I'M GOING BANANAS!

Summary

- Antimatter is real
- We can create and trap antimatter
- We can see and study antimatter (with our detectors)
- We can use antimatter (for example in medical imaging)
- Antimatter physics is really cool and really fun!

Thank You!

Questions?

ALPHA-2 EXPERIMENT





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ANTIMATTER VS DARK MATTER





Energy Budget of The Universe



Known [normal matter] Known unknowns [dark matter] Unknown unknowns [dark energy] Antimatter ? : 0%





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Dark Matter !?



Thank you for listening!