

Antimatter in the Laboratory 1/2

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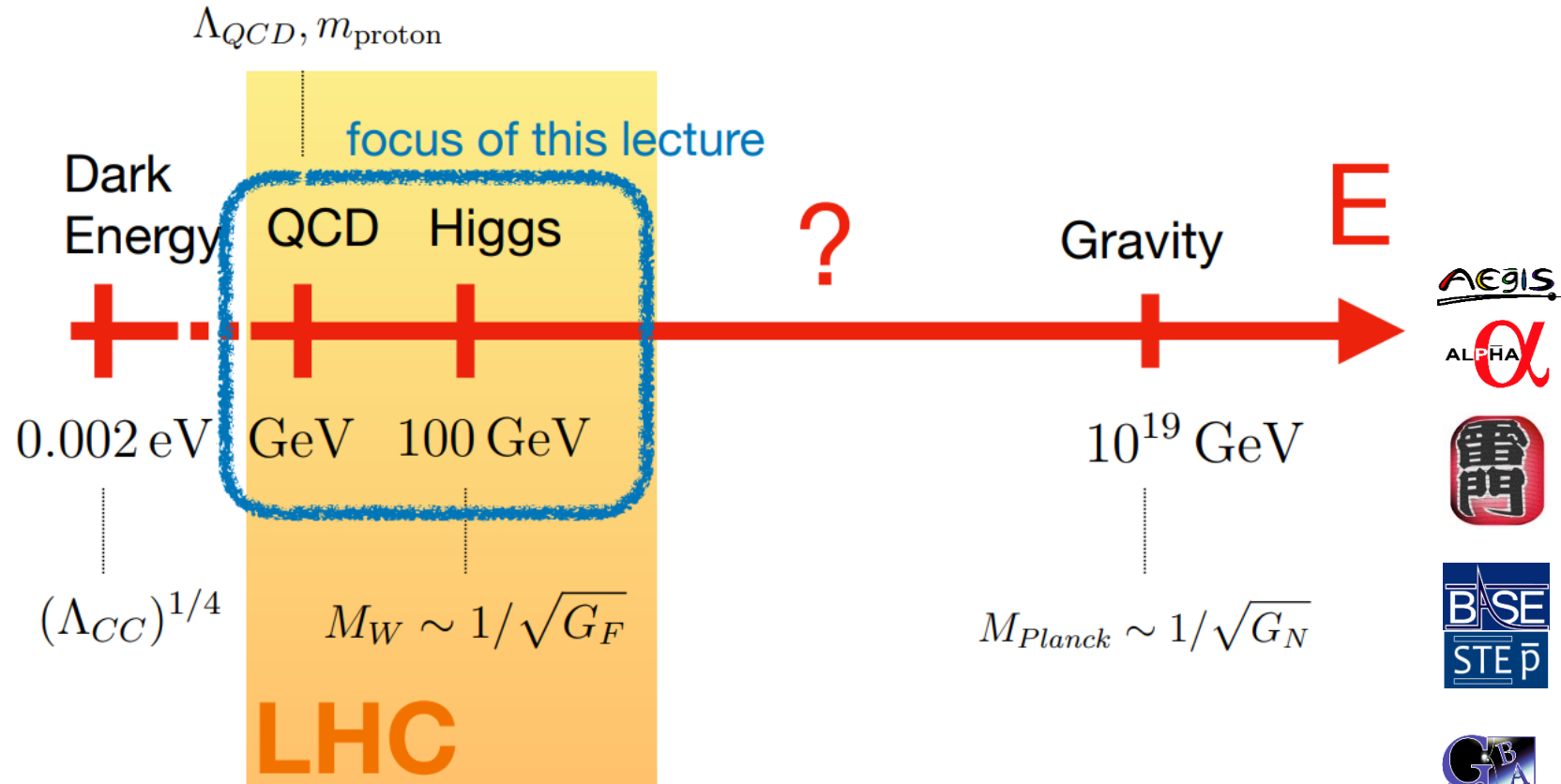


Introduction





Fundamental scales



Screen from the lecture „Standard Model ¼”, Andreas Weiler (TU Munich)



Fundamental scales

Ultra-high precision tests of the Standard Model by measurements of fundamental properties of matter // antimatter.

$10^{-27} - 10^{-20}$ GeV

Experiments in AD/ELENA facility.

Dark Energy

0.002 eV

$$(\Lambda_{CC})^{1/4}$$

$\Lambda_{QCD}, m_{\text{proton}}$

focus of this lecture

QCD Higgs

GeV 100 GeV

$M_W \sim 1/\sqrt{G_F}$

LHC

?

Gravity

10^{19} GeV

$$M_{\text{Planck}} \sim 1/\sqrt{G_N}$$

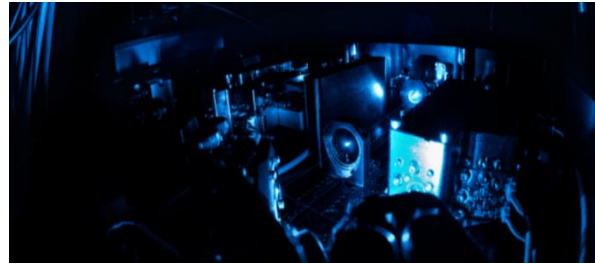
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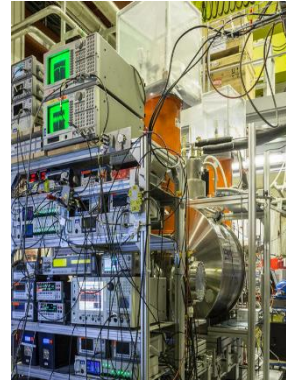
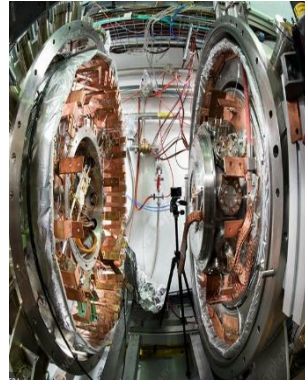


Used Techniques: Classical AMO Methods

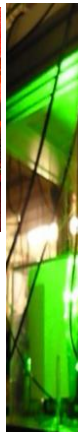
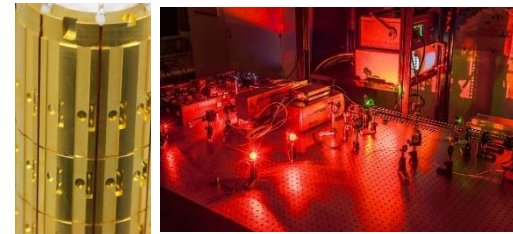
Clocks



Traps



Lasers



Innovation and Technology

- Trapping of particles
- Penning Traps
- Cooling
- Lasers
- Spectroscopy

matter sector 2016

proton lifetime (direct)	>1.67 e34 y
proton m	90 p.p.t.
proton magn. moment	3.3 p.p.b.
hydrogen 1S/2S	0.004 p.p.t.
hydrogen GSHFS	0.7 p.p.t.

antimatter sector 2016

antiproton lifetime	>1.2 y
antiproton m	120 p.p.t.
antiproton m. moment	4.4 p.p.m.
antihydrogen 1S/2S	?
antihydrogen GSHFS	?

matter sector 2021

proton lifetime (direct)	>1.67 e34 y
proton m	30 p.p.t.
proton magn. moment	0.3 p.p.b.
hydrogen 1S/2S	0.004 p.p.t.
hydrogen GSHFS	0.7 p.p.t.

antimatter sector 2021

antiproton lifetime	>30 y
antiproton m	30 p.p.t.
antiproton m. moment	1.5 p.p.b.
antihydrogen 1S/2S	2 p.p.t.
antihydrogen GSHFS	400 p.p.m.





Physics Motivation





Is this interesting?

A skeptical voice:

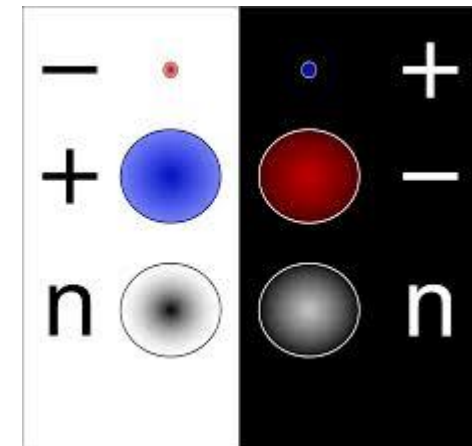
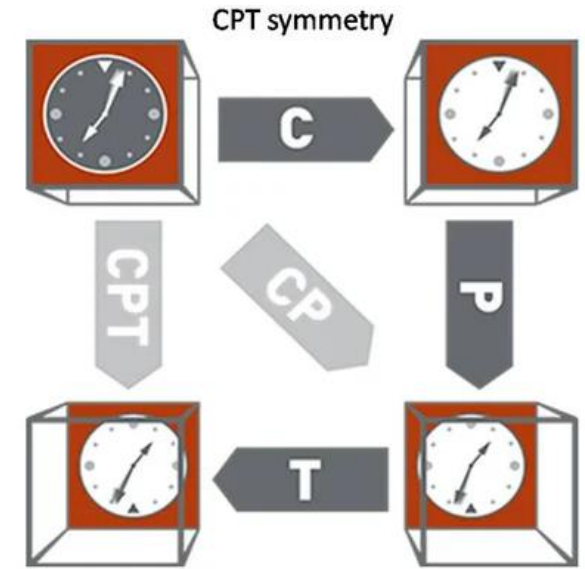
Is it possible for matter and antimatter properties to differ?

A skeptical voice with extensive physics training:

Any “reasonable”, Lorentz-covariant quantum field theory will be CPT symmetric.

CPT symmetry means matter and antimatter properties are the same.

... but it also says...





Why do we want to study antimatter?

- Combining the Λ -CDM model and the SM, our predictions of the baryon to photon ratio are **inconsistent by about 9 orders of magnitude**

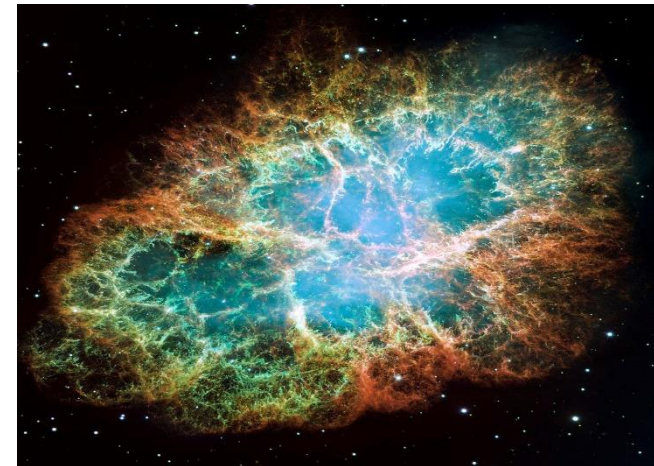
Naive Expectations	
Baryon/Photon Ratio	10^{-18}
Baryon/Antibaryon Ratio	1

Observations	
Baryon/Photon Ratio	0.6×10^{-9}
Baryon/Antibaryon Ratio	10 000

Sakharov conditions (1967):

- 1.) B-violation (plausible)
- 2.) CP-violation (observed / too small)
- 3.) Arrow of time (less motivated)

Maybe lack of thermal equilibrium?



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BSE
STEP

GBAR



... so maybe the „final” field theory is „not reasonable”?
Or maybe there is much more?



Tackling these problems...

- We need probes for new physics and new discoveries, to get a deeper, additional, complementary understanding.
- **We should look where noone has looked before!**
 1. Conduct experiments with exotic systems.
 2. Develop new techniques with higher sensitivity.
 3. Scale experiments up.



High Energy Physics
=
Upscaling / Higher Energy

Low Energy Physics
=
New Methods / Better Resolution

We will see in this lecture, that here, trapped antimatter, play a crucial role !!!

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 1. Conduct experiments with exotic systems. => systems with baryons and antibaryons, trapped particles.
 2. Develop new techniques with higher sensitivity. => The most sensitive antiproton detector (BASE experiment) has 120 neV sensitivity! This is the most sensitive spectrometer ever built.
 3. Scale experiments up. => Make more antihydrogen atoms, make more complex systems, be creative...

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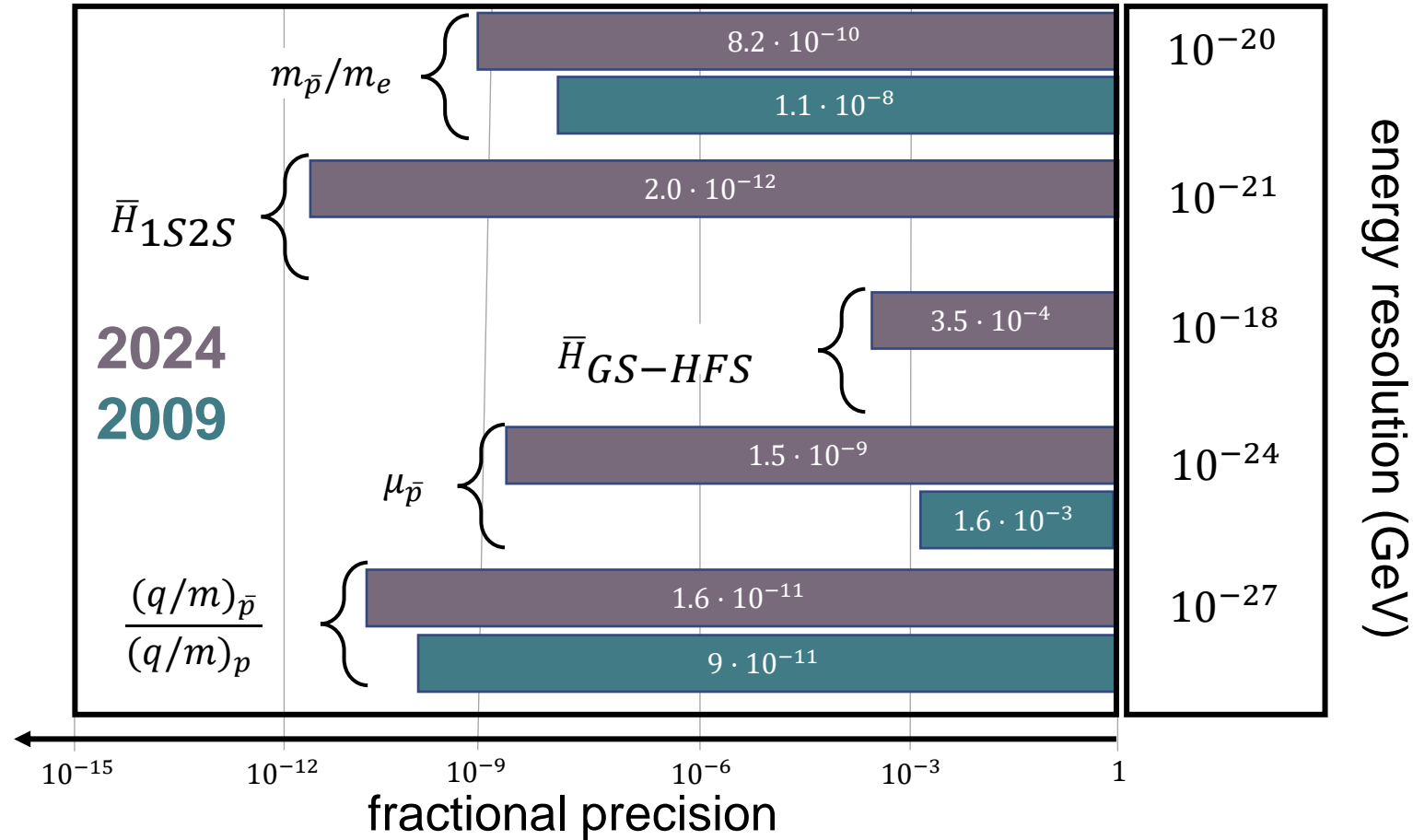
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Subject of this lecture -> how to get these numbers?

- AD -> measure fundamental properties of antimatter systems and compare them with theory // matter.



Question to all of you:
What kind of antimatter system would
you propose to study and why?





What are the simple systems in antimatter physics

What do we study in the context of antimatter:

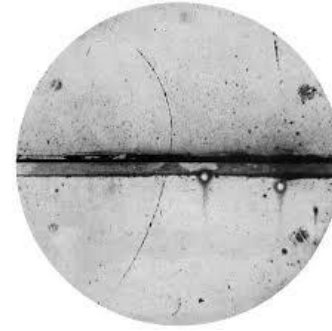
- Single particles:

- AntiElectron -> positron -> antilepton
- AntiProton -> antibaryon
- ~~Neutron~~

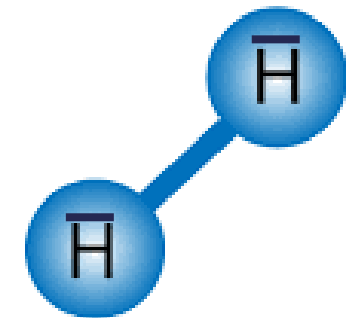
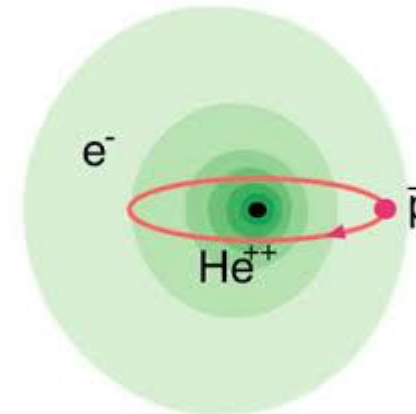
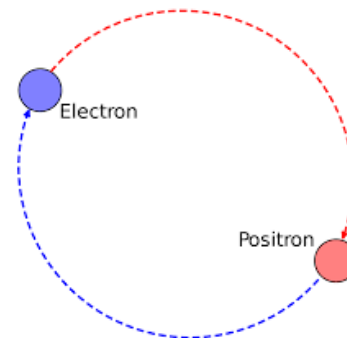
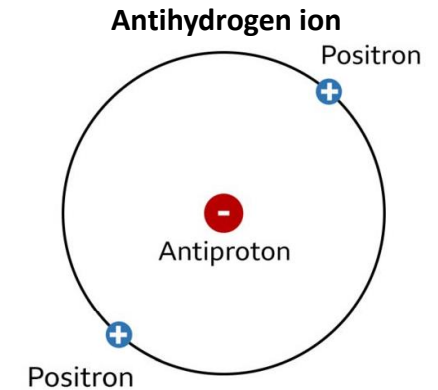
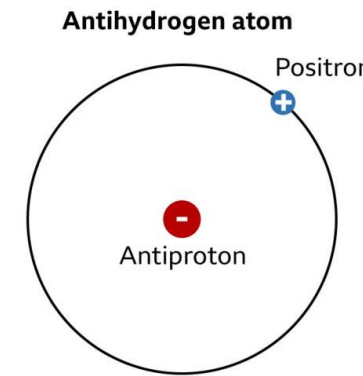
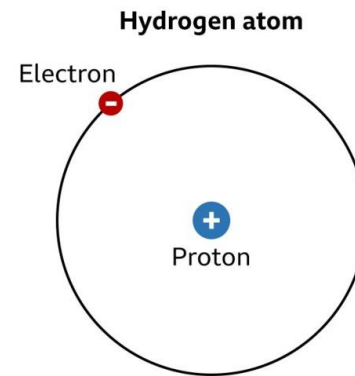
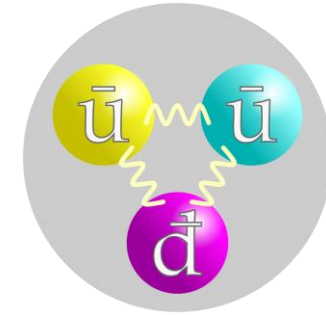
- Complex systems:

- Hydrogen-like system:
 - AntiHydrogen
 - AntiHydrogen Ion
 - Positronium
 - Antiprotonic helium

- AntiHydrogen molecule



Antiproton

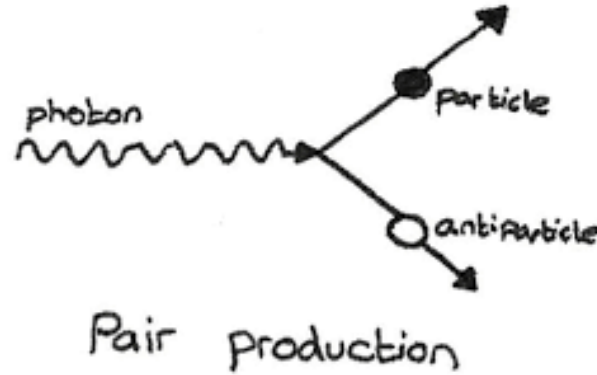
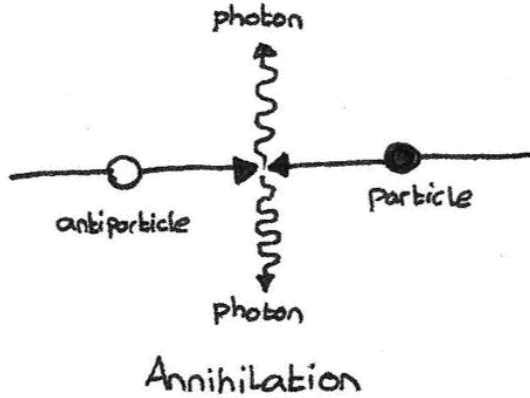




How can we produce antimatter?



Antimatter production

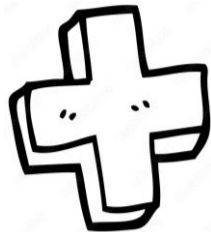


$$\sigma_{\text{pair production}} \sim Z^2$$

Z - atomic number

- Aniparticles (natural units $c=1$):

- Neutrino: < 1 eV
- Electron: 511 000 eV
- Muon: 105 000 000 eV
- Proton: 938 000 000 eV
- Higgs Boson: 125 000 000 000 eV

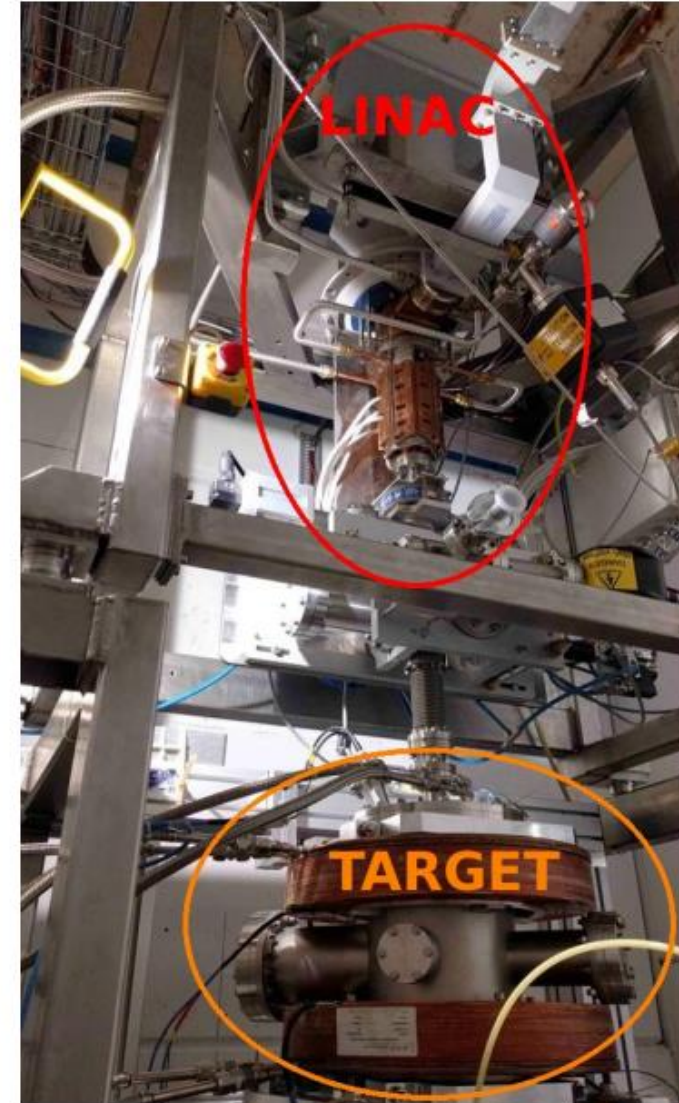


... all the energy needed for particle to go out of the material
 // to be moderated // to be prepared to be useful.

- Positron production:
 - Production using high intensity electron sources:
 - $10^7 - 10^{10}$ e⁺/s

Linac	beam energy	current	Number of positrons
Giessen (shut down)	35 MeV	160 mA	10^8 e ⁺ /s
Livermore (shut down)	100 MeV	400 mA	10^{10} e ⁺ /s
Oak Ridge	180 MeV	300 mA	10^8 e ⁺ /s
AIST, Japan	70 MeV	3 mA	2.5×10^7 e ⁺ /s
GBAR, CEA	4.3 MeV	140 mA	3×10^6 e ⁺ /s
GBAR, CERN	9 MeV	330 mA	5×10^7 e ⁺ /s

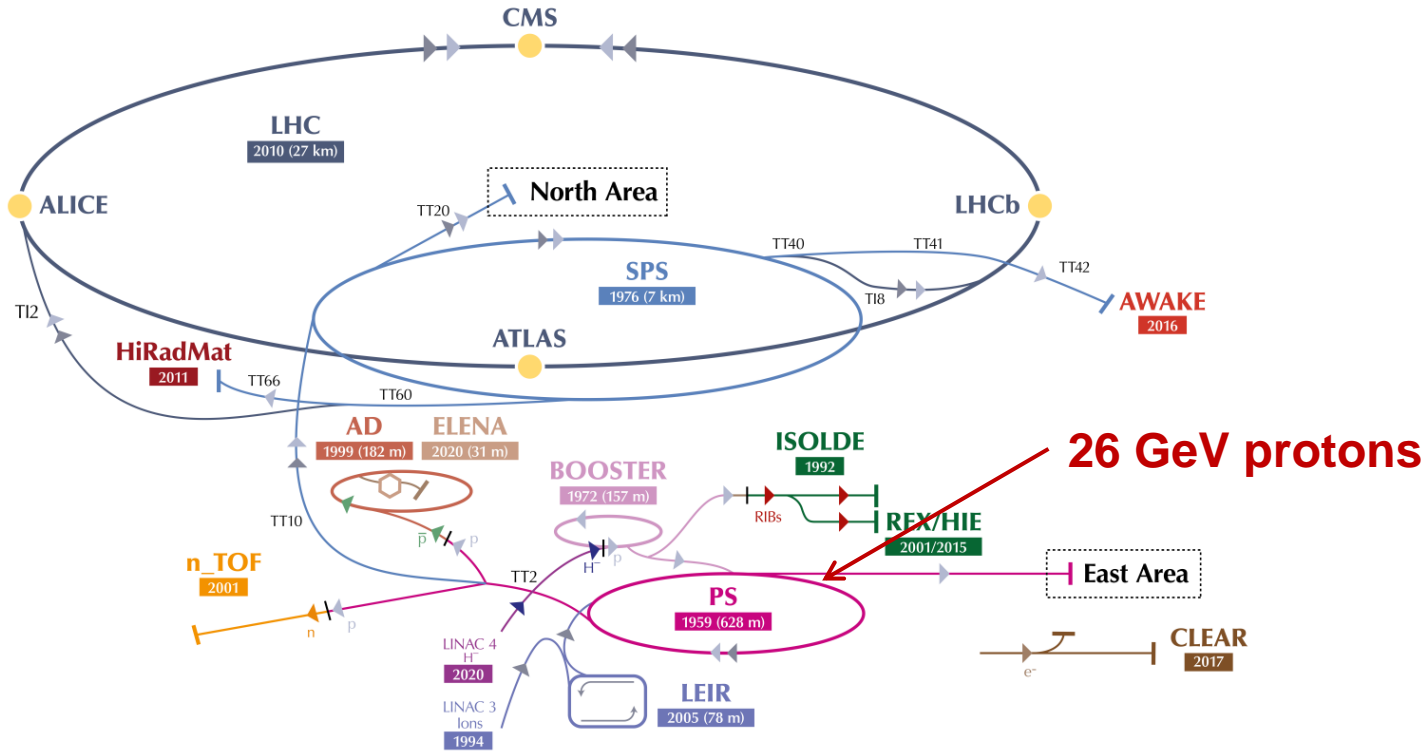
- Catching particles from natural sources
 - $^{22}\text{Na} < 10^7$ e⁺/s
- Catching particles from nuclear reactors:
 - $^{113}\text{Cd} + n \rightarrow ^{114}\text{Cd} + \gamma, 10^9$ e⁺/s





Antiproton production

- CERN's antimatter factory – the only place on Earth where low-energy antiprotons are available for research.



▶ H^- (hydrogen anions) ▶ p (protons) ▶ ions ▶ RIBs (Radioactive Ion Beams) ▶ n (neutrons) ▶ \bar{p} (antiprotons) ▶ e^- (electron)

LHC - Large Hadron Collider // SPS - Super Proton Synchrotron // PS - Proton Synchrotron // AD - Antiproton Decelerator // CLEAR - CERN Line: Electron Accelerator for Research // AWAKE - Advanced WAKEfield Experiment // ISOLDE - Isotope Separator OnLine // REX/HIE - Radioactive Experiment/High Intensity and Energy ISOLDE // LEIR - Low Energy Ion Ring // LINAC - LINear ACcelerator // n_TOF - Neutrons Time Of Flight // HiRadMat - High-Radiation to Materials

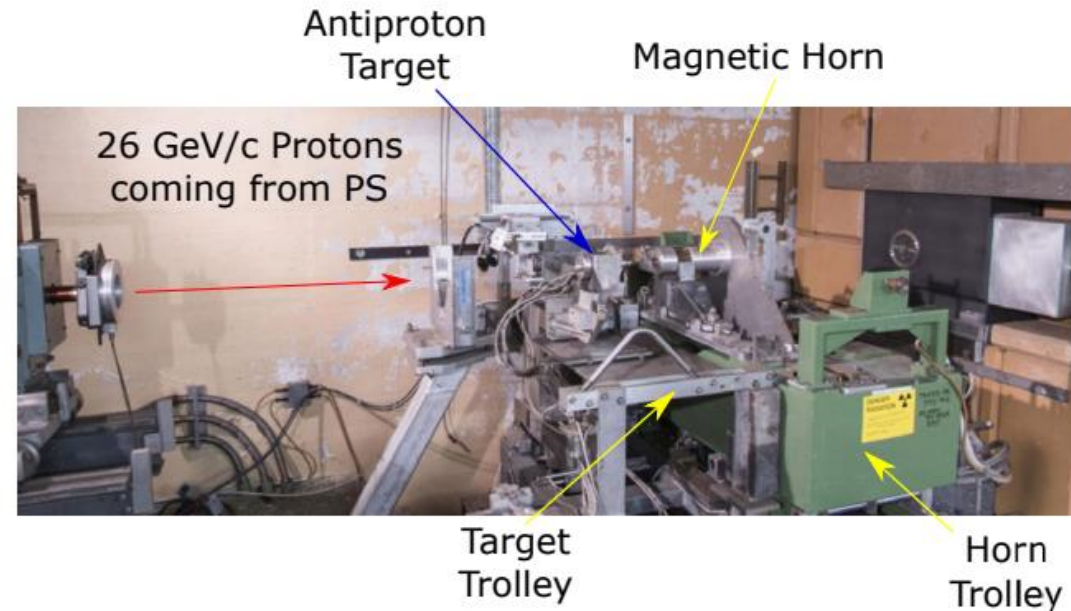
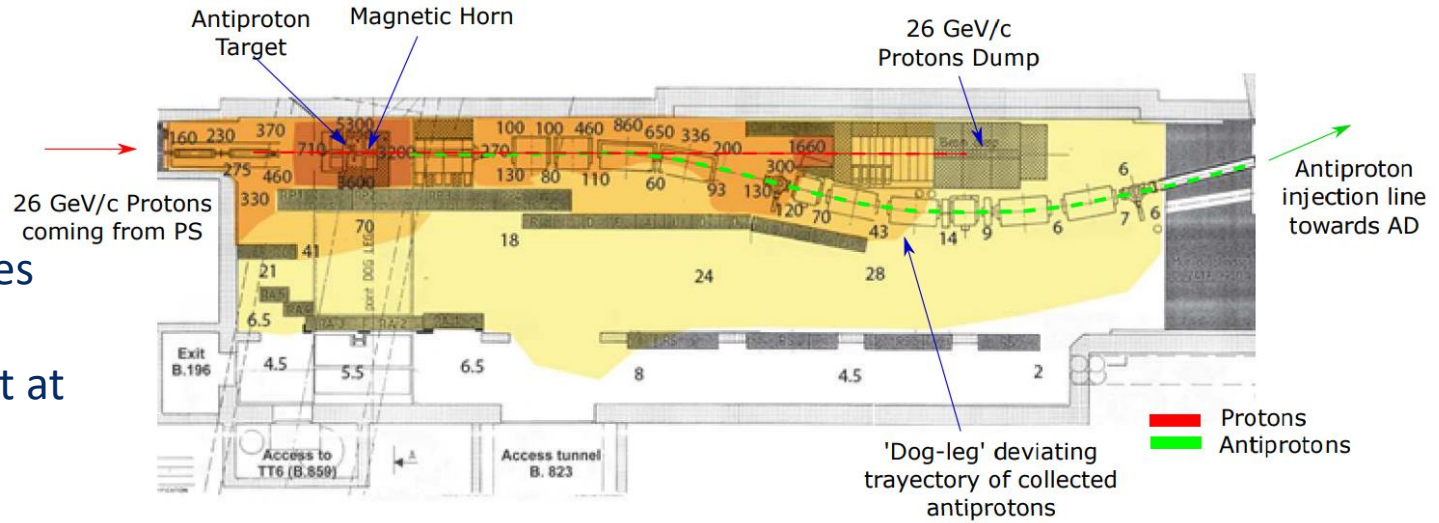


Antiproton production

- Production mechanism:
 $p + \text{nucleus} \rightarrow \text{Excited nucleus} + p + \bar{p} + \text{other particles}$

Threshold for this reaction is at 5.6 GeV, carried out at 26 GeV.

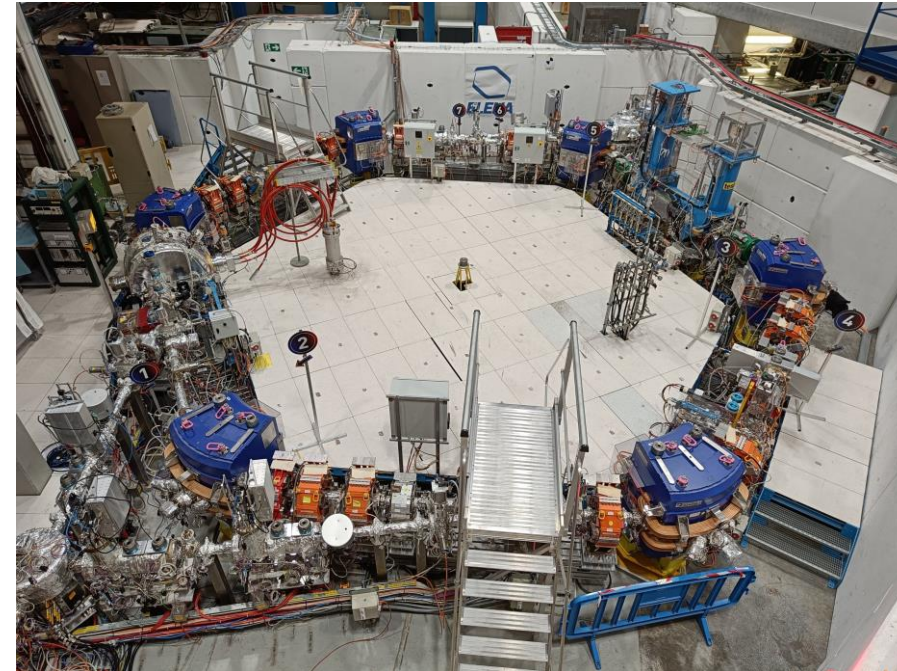
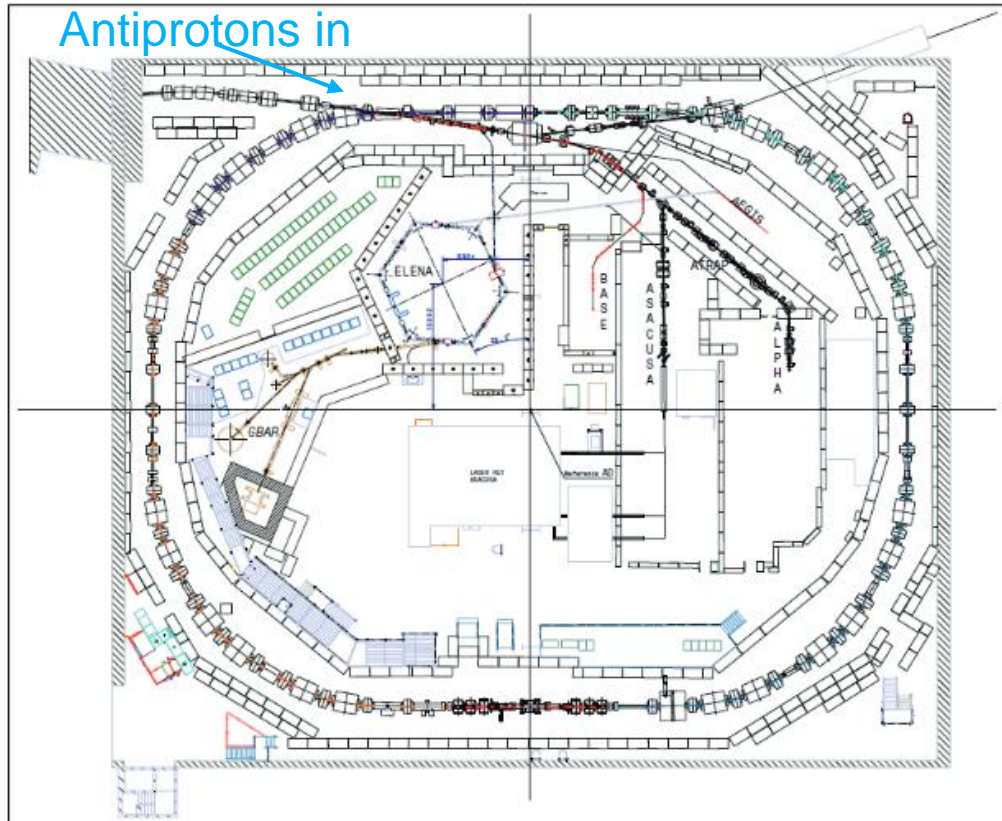
- 1.5×10^{13} protons with 26 GeV energy are used to produce 5×10^7 antiprotons.
- Indium rod of 5.5 cm length.
- Extreme temperatures: 2000 degrees rise in 0.5 microseconds
- We collect 3.6 GeV antiprotons with momentum spread of $\frac{\Delta p}{p} = 6\%$.
- One bunch every 2 minutes.





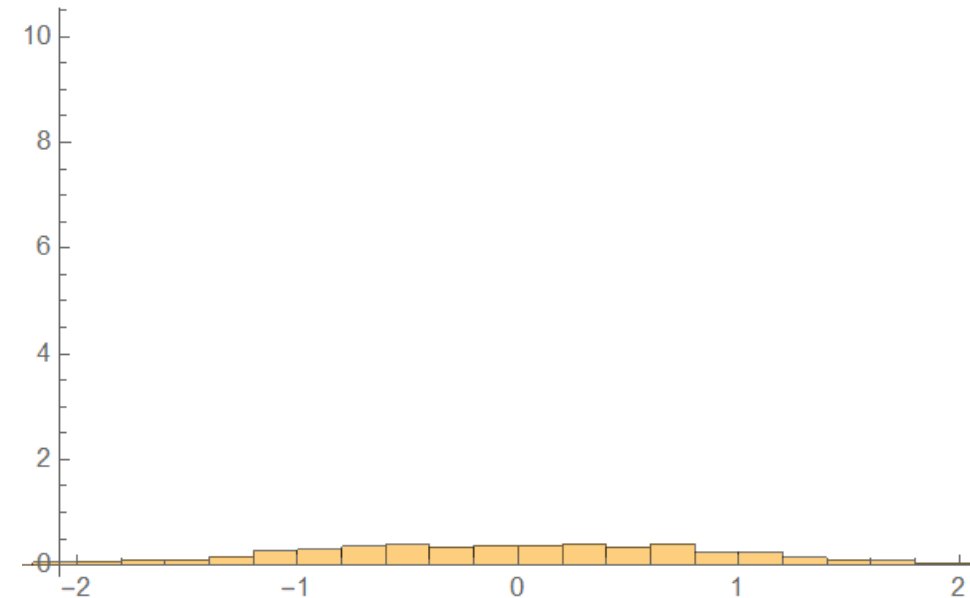
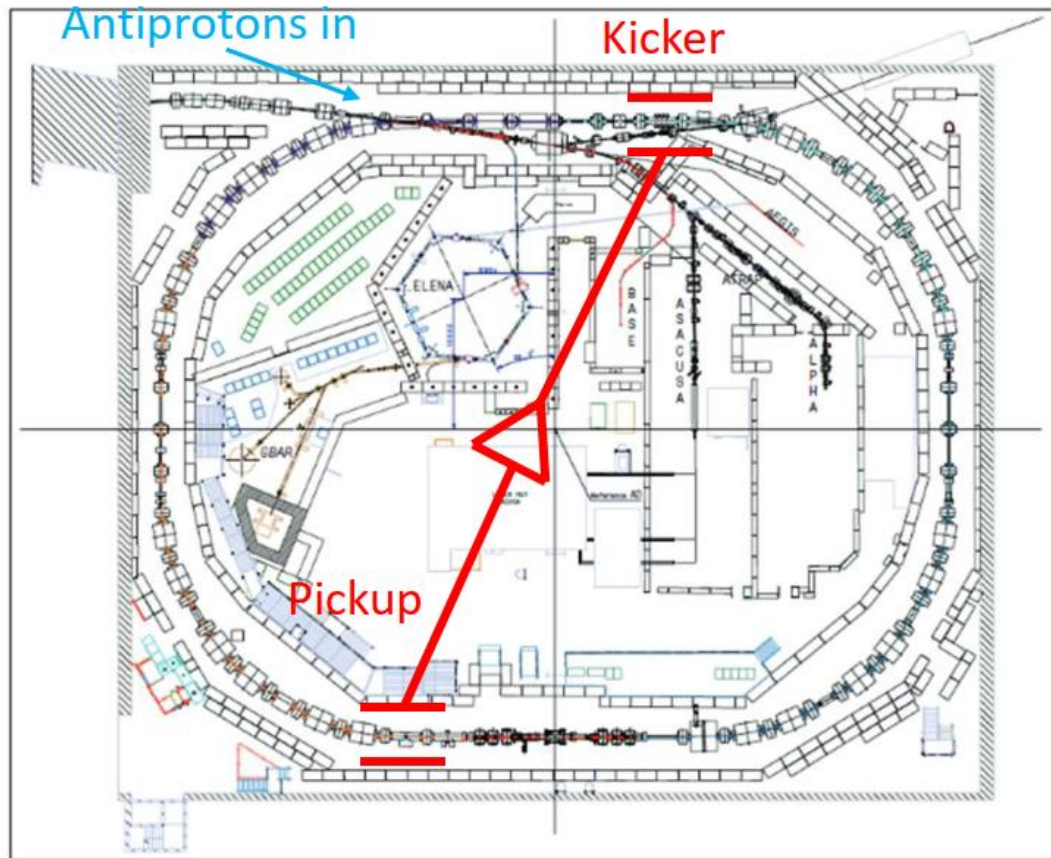
The AD and ELENA Decelerators

- Antiproton Decelerator:
 - Slows from 3.6 GeV to 5.3 MeV energy
- ELENA - The Extremely Low Energy Antiproton Synchrotron (2018)
 - Slows from 5.3 MeV to 100 keV



1984 - Nobel Prize for antiproton cooling for Simon van der Meer

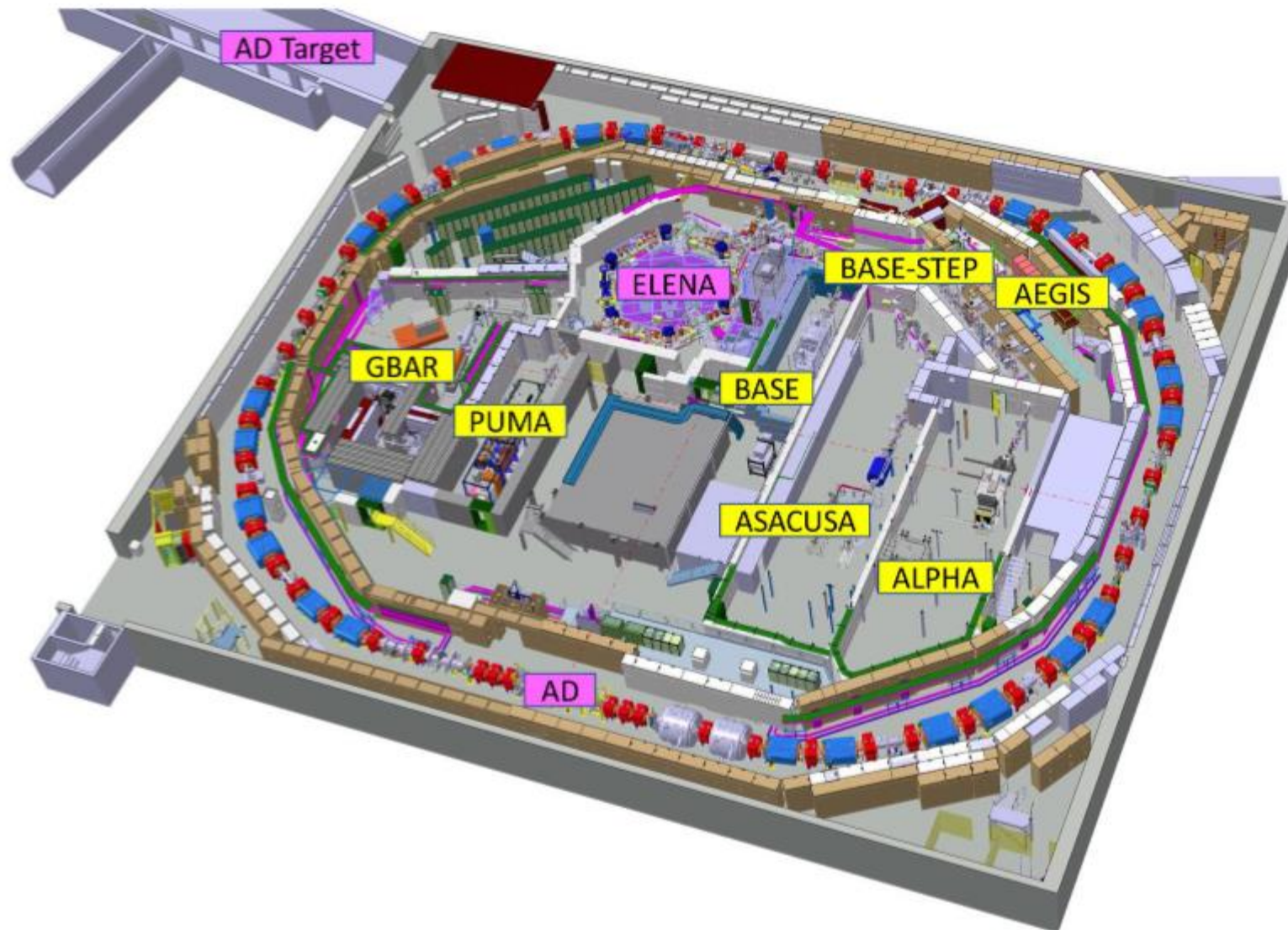
- The purpose of **stochastic cooling** is to reduce the energy spread and angular divergence of a beam of charged particles. During this process, the particles are “compressed” into a finer beam with less energy spread and less angular divergence. By increasing the particle density to close to the required energy, this technique improved the beam quality.



- 2 stages of stochastic cooling reduces momentum spread (4σ) from 1% \rightarrow 0.1% \rightarrow 0.015%



The AD/ELENA-Facility

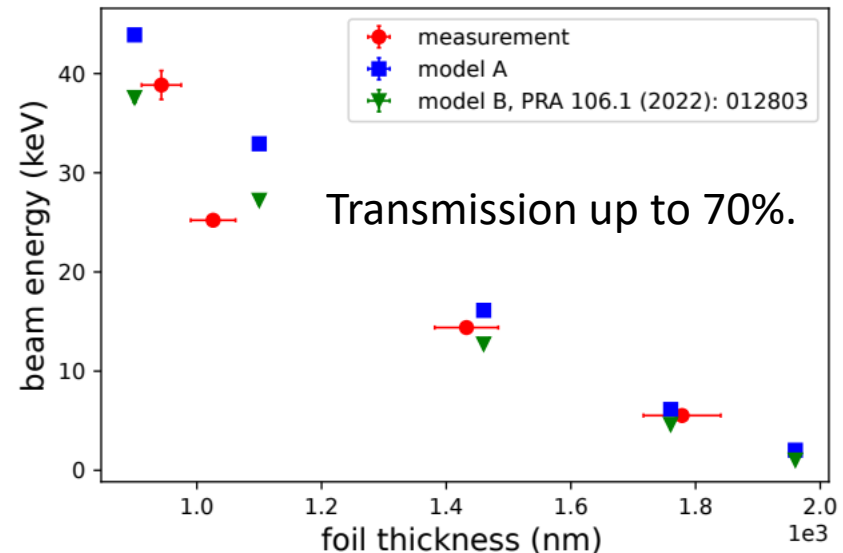
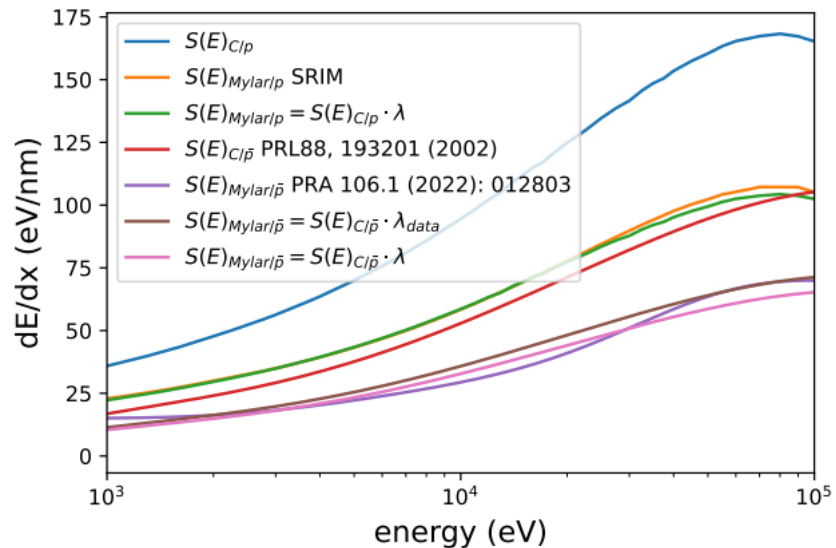
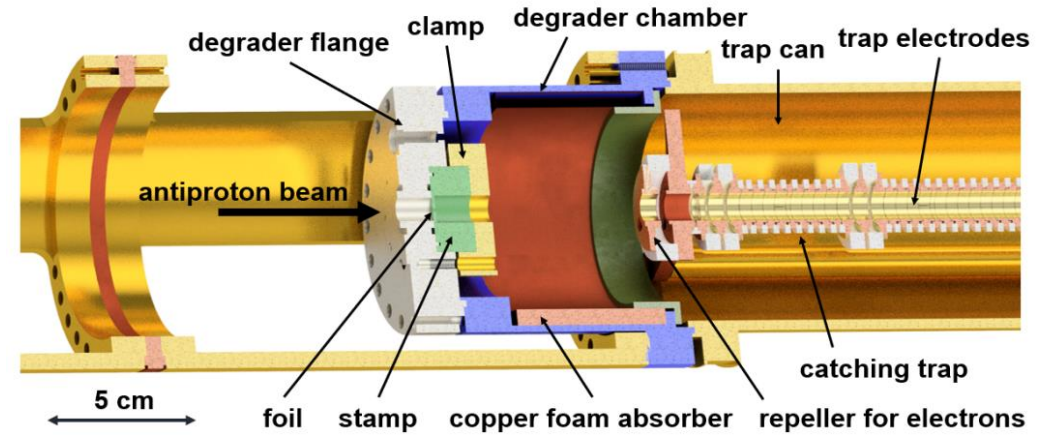
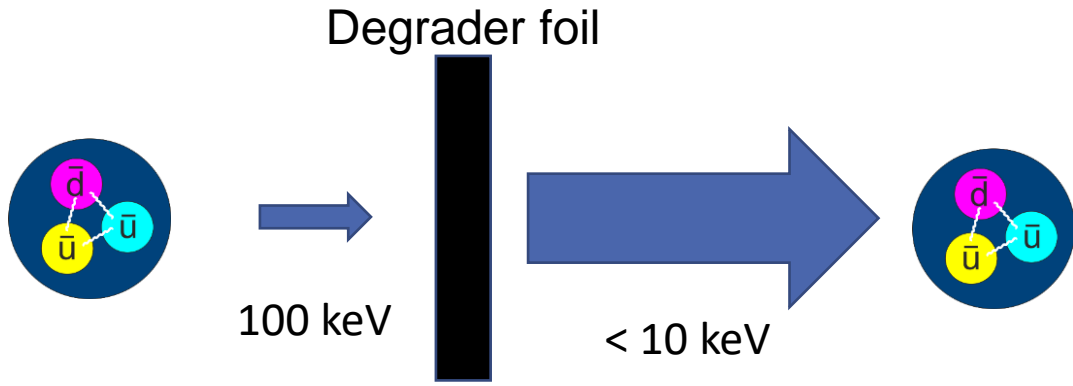


60 Research Institutes/Universities – 350 Scientists – 6 Active Collaborations



Final step of slowing

- 100 keV energy is still too high to be able to trap antiprotons.
- Final stage of deceleration is done using the degrader foil.
- Loss of energy comes from the sum of scattering from electrons and Rutherford scattering from nuclei





What's the cost of a gram of antimatter?

In 2018

Electricity used cost 67 million Swiss Franc, and uses 1.25 TWh per year when running

10% spent on Proton Synchrotron, AD takes ~2.4 s/112 s= 2% of cycles

Costs ~130,000 CHF in electricity per year to produce antiprotons

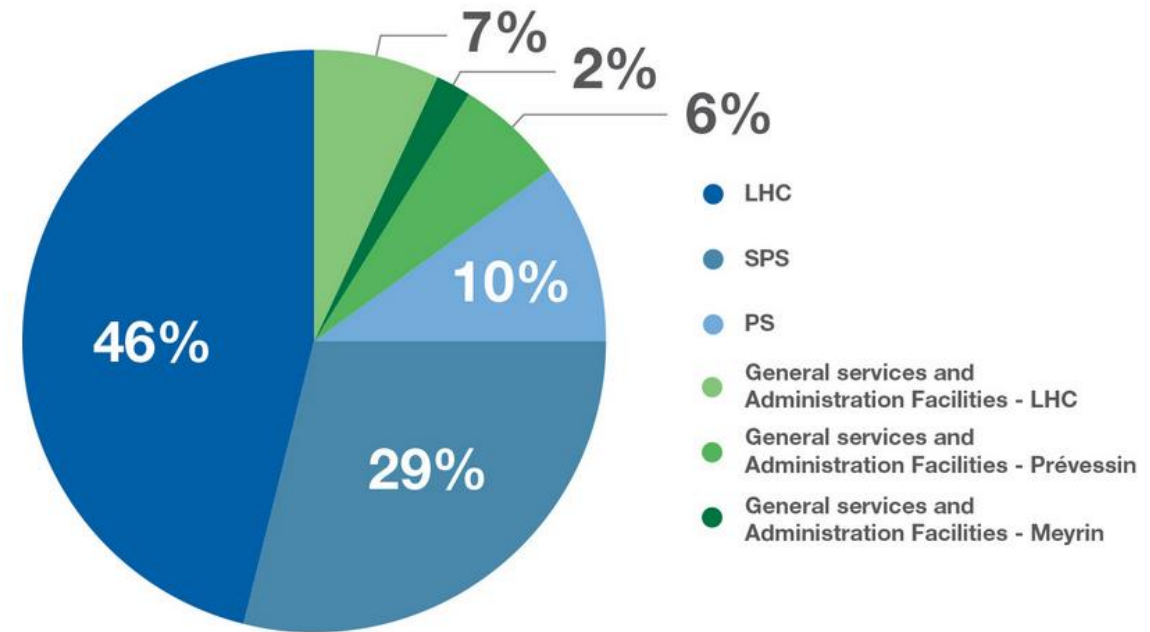
~10 trillion antiprotons produced per year ~12 picograms

Cost per gram ~**8000 trillion Swiss Franc (100x world GDP/y)**

- Not including people to operate the machine!

Not a cheap way to make lots of antimatter

Or looking at it another way – cost per particle
12 nano Swiss Francs or 40 cents per shot





Trapping antimatter



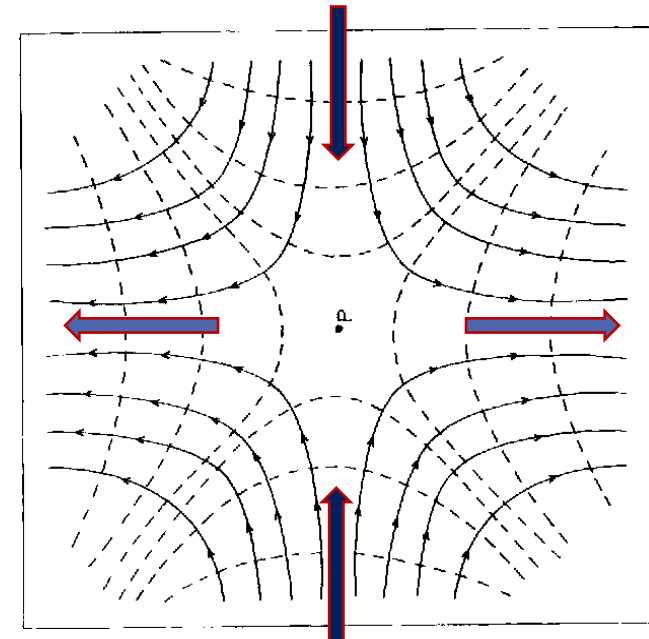
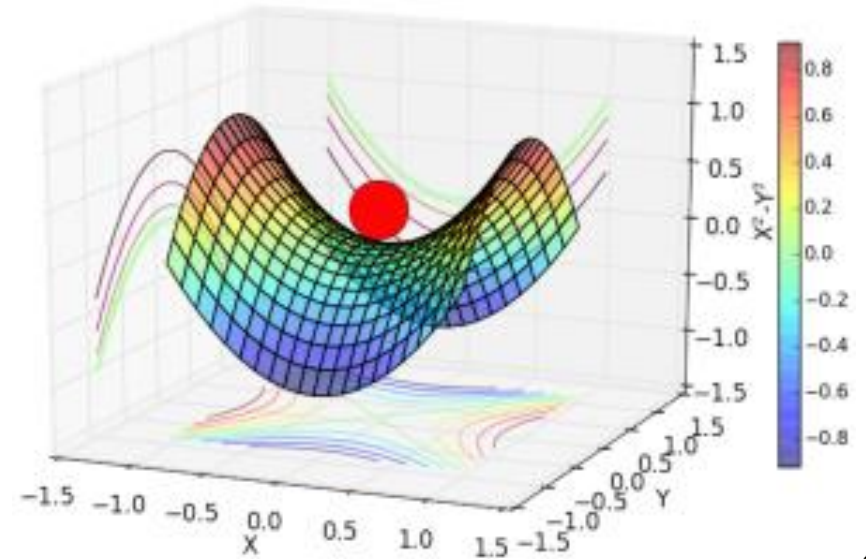
The Earnshaw Theorem

- **Earnshaw's theorem** -A charged body cannot be held in stable stationary equilibrium by electrostatic forces from other charged bodies. This was first proven by British mathematician Samuel Earnshaw in 1842.
- **Earnshaw's theorem** in its simplest shape:

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(x, y, z) = 0$$

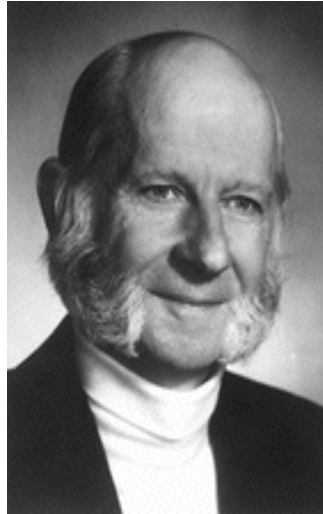
Therefore, there are no local minima or maxima of the field potential in free space, only saddle points.

- Simplest solution would be harmonic: $\Phi(x, y, z) = C_2 \left(z^2 - \frac{x^2+y^2}{2} \right)$
- The electric quadrupole potential is the simplest harmonic, stationary solution to the Laplace equation, and **fulfils the Earnshaw theorem**.



Static

Hans Dehmelt
(1922 - ...)



Dynamical

Wolfgang Paul
(1913 - 1993)



**Nobel Prize in Physics in 1989 to
Hans Dehmelt und Wolfgang Paul**

„for the development of the ion trap technique“.

Penning Trap

Paul Trap



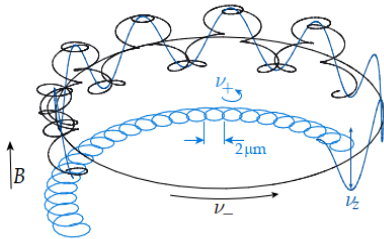
The Two Solutions

- The Penning Trap
- Static potential

$$\phi(z, \rho) = V_0 C_2 \left(z^2 - \frac{\rho^2}{2} \right)$$

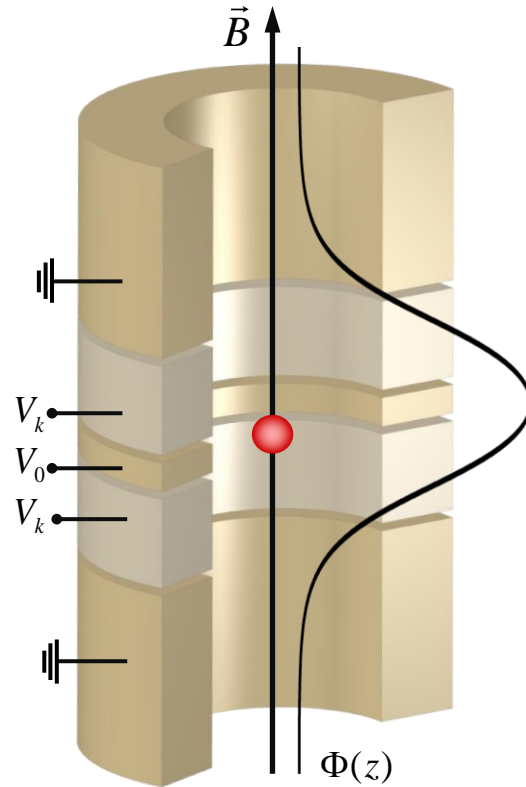
- Static magnetic field

$$\mathbf{B} = B_0 \mathbf{e}_z$$



- Used in measurements of fundamental properties such as masses, magnetic moments, etc...

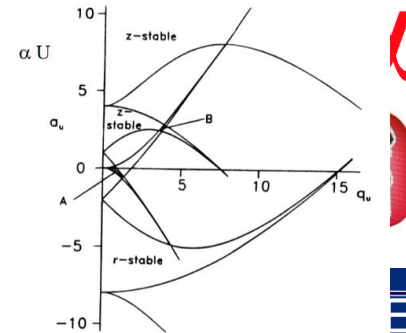
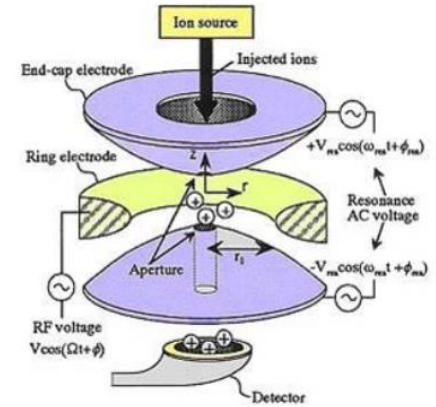
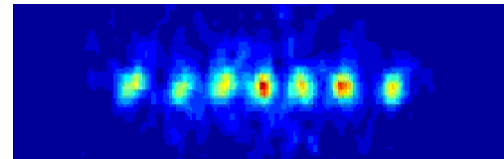
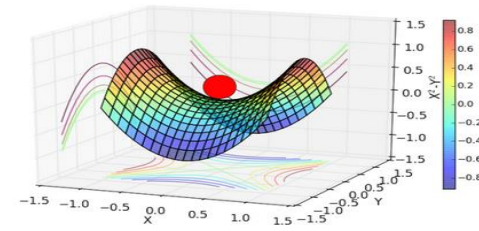
EXPENSIVE



- The Paul Trap
- Dynamical potential

$$\phi_0(z, \rho) = C_2 \left(z^2 - \frac{\rho^2}{2} \right)$$

$$\phi(z, \rho, t) = \phi_0(z, \rho) (V_0 + U_0 \cos(\Omega t))$$



- Used in measurements and manipulations, where intrinsic degree of freedom of the trapped particle is of interest.

CHEAP





Penning trap

$$\vec{F} = m\ddot{\vec{r}} - q_0(\vec{\nabla}\Phi(\vec{r}) + \dot{\vec{r}} \times \vec{B}) = 0$$

- Penning trap with:**

- > radial confinement: $\vec{B} = B_0\hat{z}$

- > axial confinement: $\Phi(\rho, z) = V_0 C_2 \left(z^2 - \frac{\rho^2}{2} \right)$

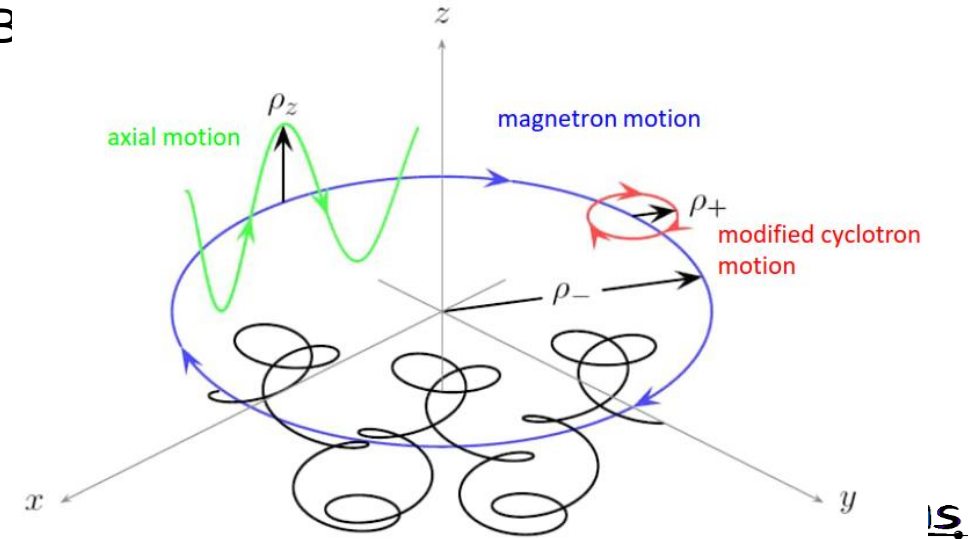
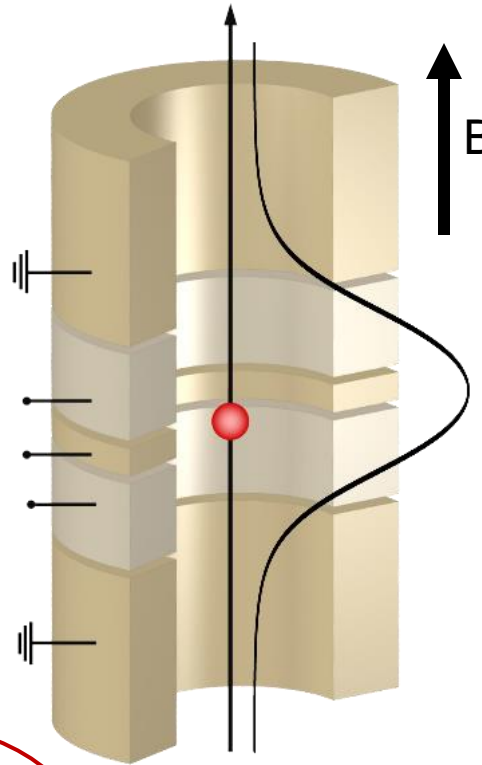
- Invariance theorem:**

- Cyclotron frequency of a particle

$$v_c = \sqrt{v_+^2 + v_z^2 + v_-^2} \longleftrightarrow v_c = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{q_{ion}}{m_{ion}} B$$

which is correct also for any small angle misalignment of the trap or quadratic imperfections of the field (G. Gabrielse)!

A single fundamental particle in a Penning trap is one of the simplest systems you can think of!

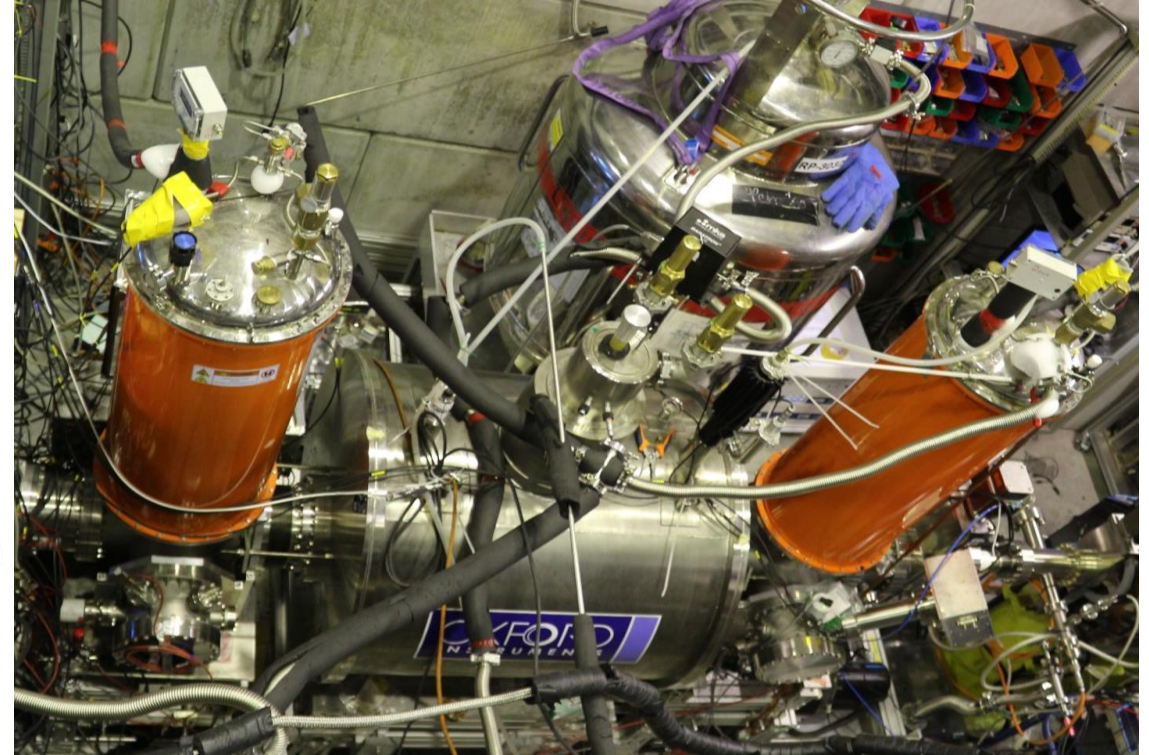
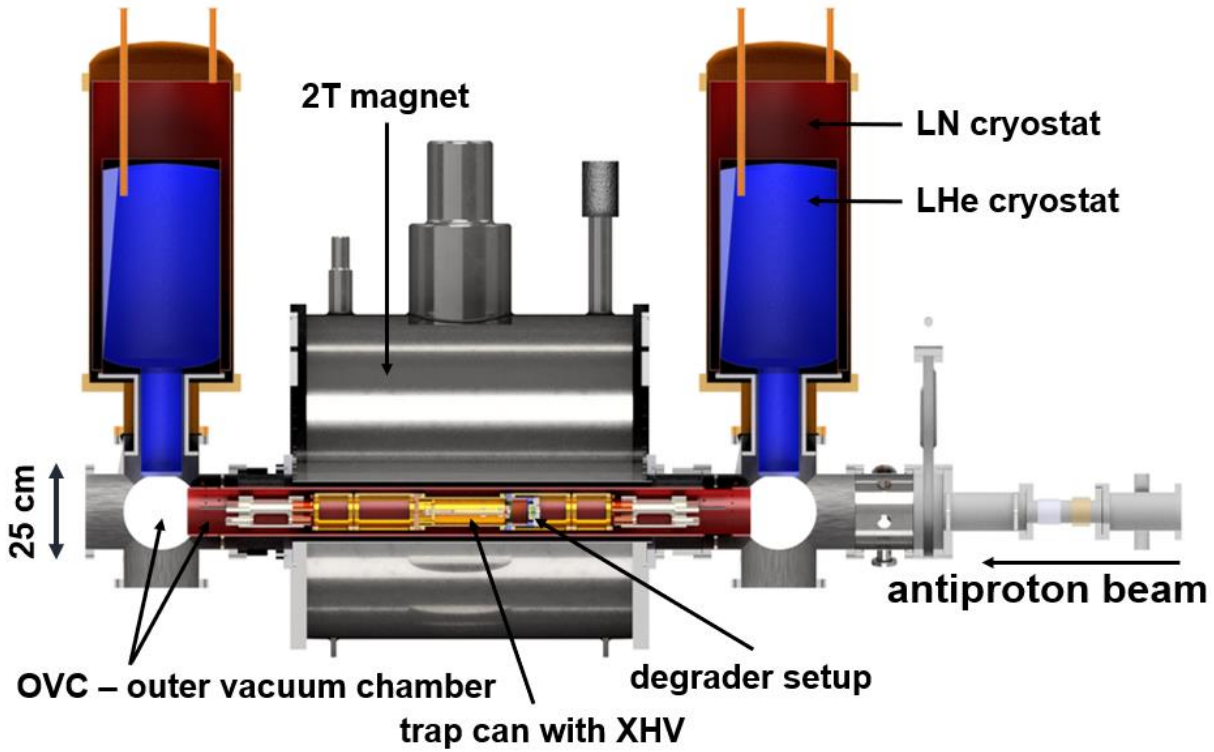


Axial	680 kHz	$v_z = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2C_2 q V_0}{m}}$
Magnetron	8 kHz	$v_- = \frac{1}{2} \left(v_c - \sqrt{v_c^2 - 2v_z^2} \right)$
Modified Cyclotron	28.9 MHz	$v_+ = \frac{1}{2} \left(v_c + \sqrt{v_c^2 - 2v_z^2} \right)$



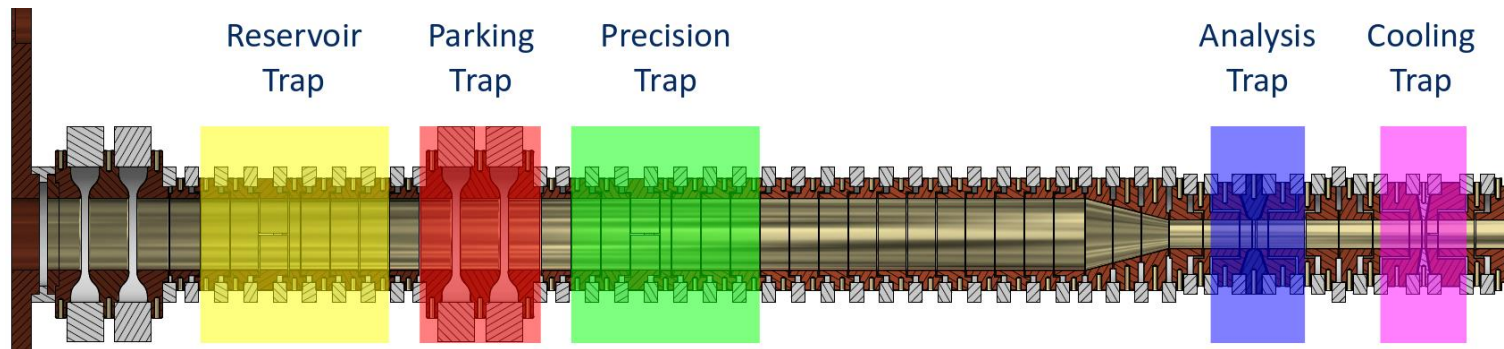
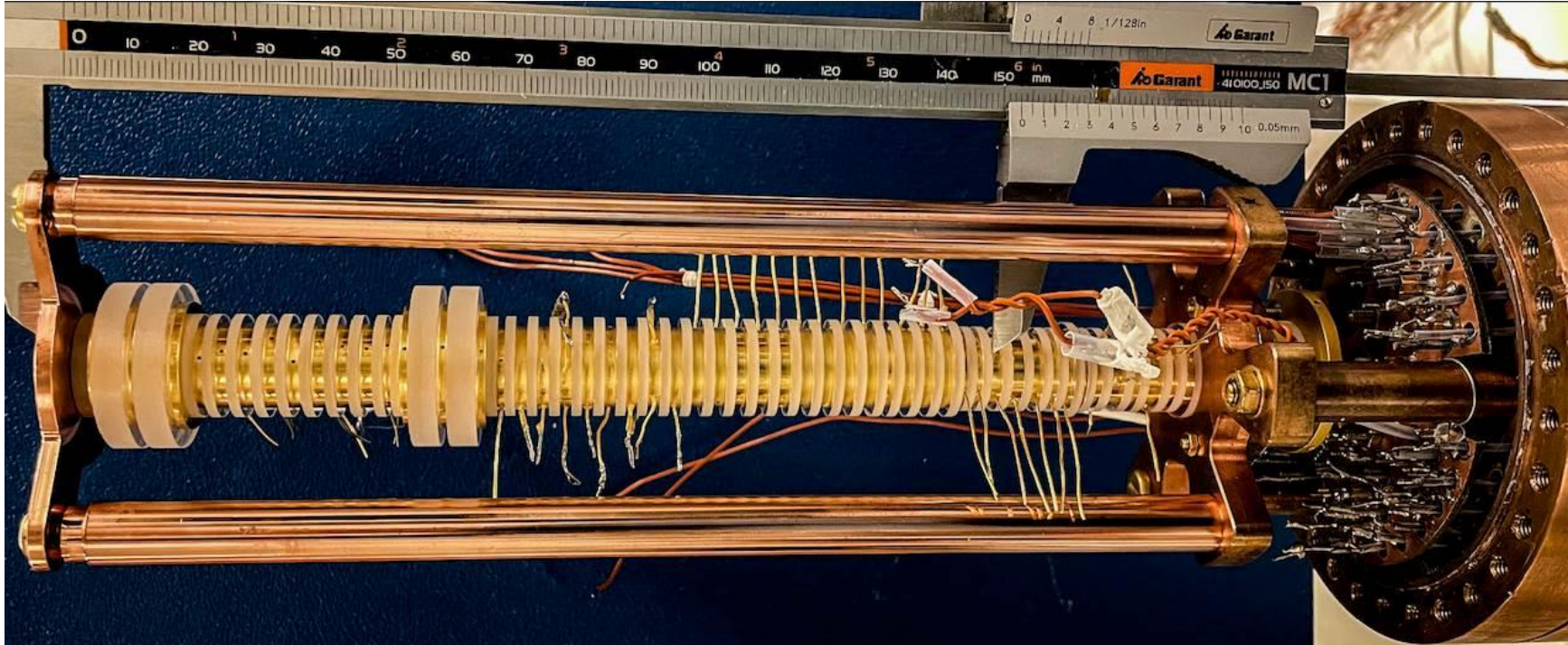


Penning Trap – superconducting magnet





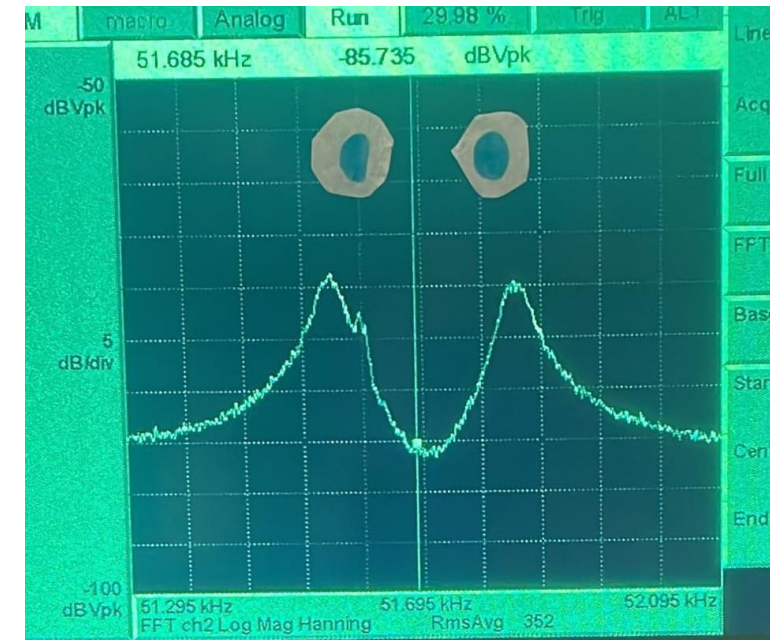
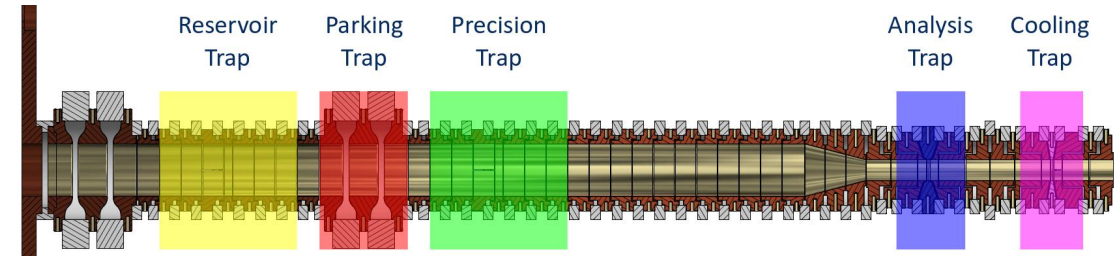
Typical precision Penning Trap System





A special place (in the Universe?) – BASE Reservoir trap

- BASE Reservoir trap:
 - Pressure: $p_H < 0.46 \times 10^{-18}$ mbar and $p_{He} < 1.04 \times 10^{-18}$ mbar.**
 - best characterized vacuum on Earth, comparable to pressures in the interstellar medium
 - Antiproton storage time is 10s of years -> 405 days.
 - Not more than 3000 atoms in a vacuum volume of 0.5 l
 - Order 100 to 1000 trapped antiprotons
 - A local inversion of the baryon asymmetry

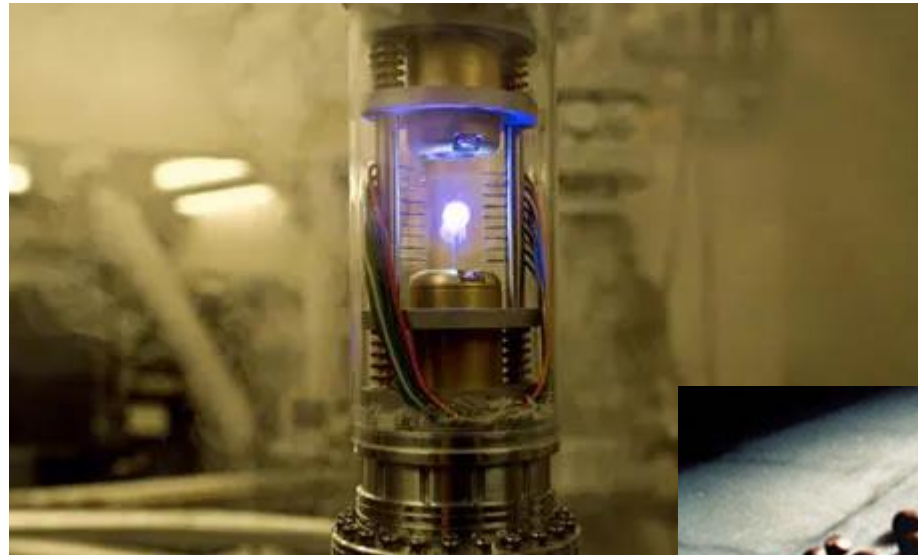
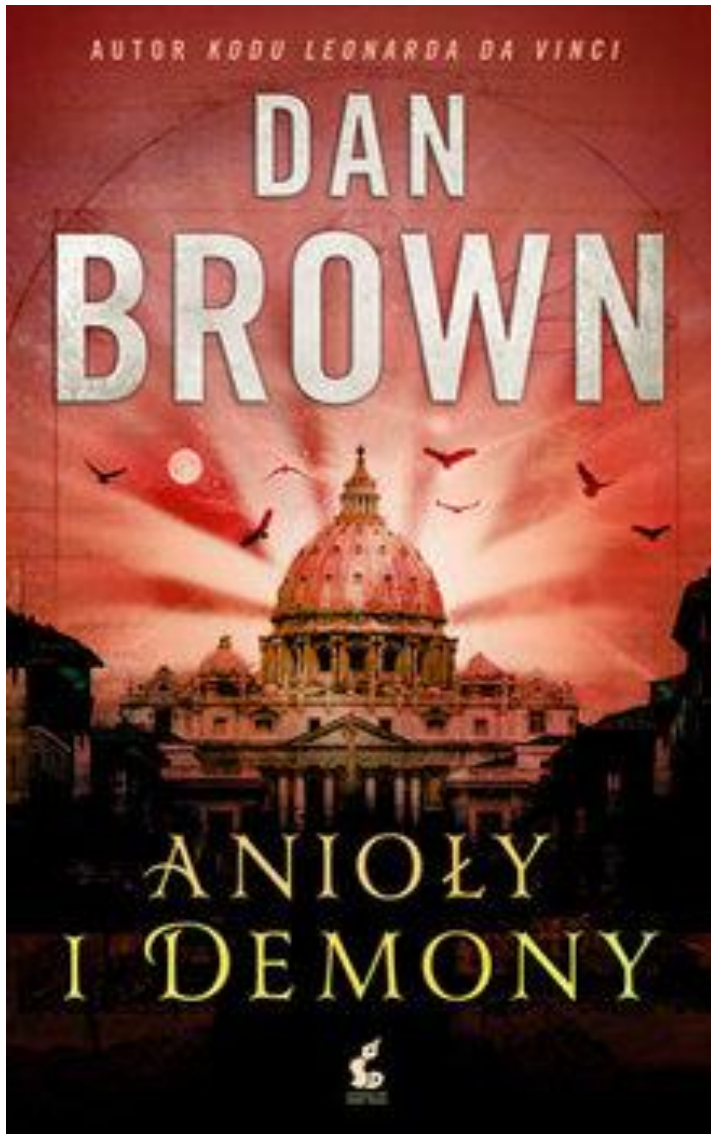


BASE ANTIMATTER INVERSION	
local volume	0.0001^3 m^3
Baryons in local trap volume	$1.65 \cdot 10^{-7}$
Antibaryon in local trap volume	100
Antibaryon/Baryon Ratio	$5.9 \cdot 10^8$





„Angels and Demons” Dan Brown



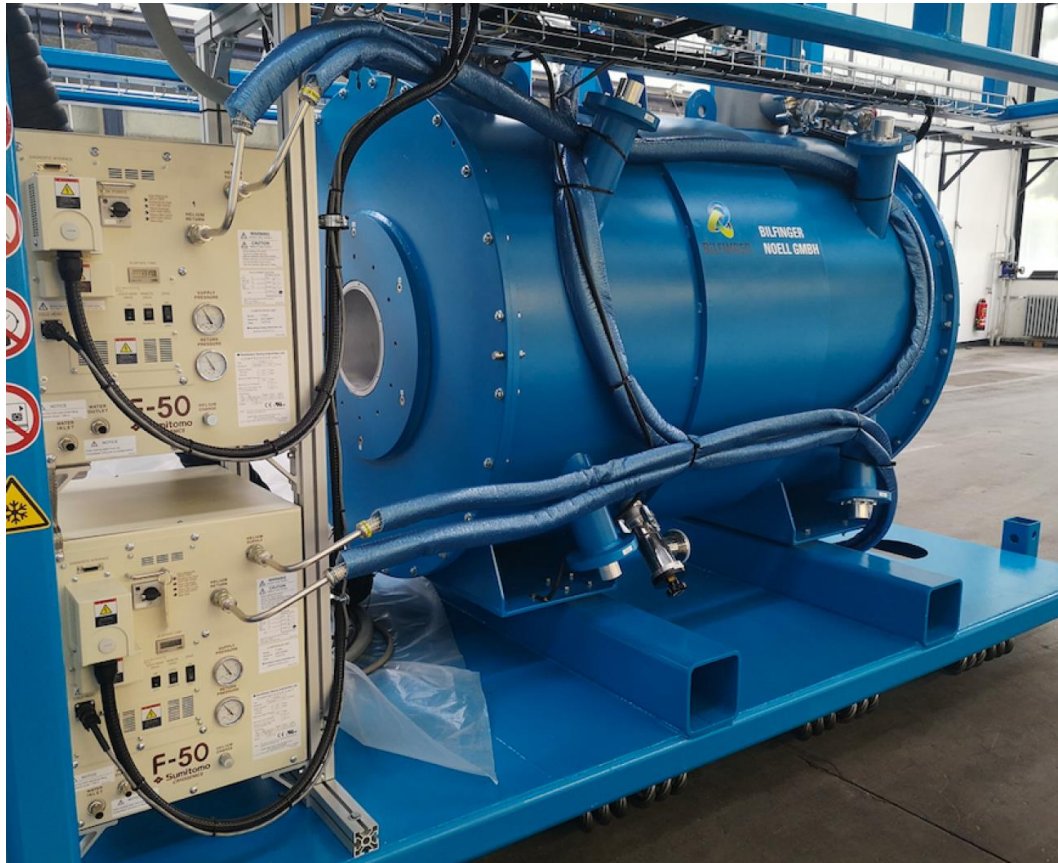
... but actually all the antimatter produced so far would heat only one cup of coffee by 1 degree Celsius.





Antimatter transport

- BASE-STEP and PUMA experiments



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... it was made in a Penning Trap...
Think about this until tomorrow!





Thank you for your attention!

- Summary of Lecture 1:
 - Baryon-antibaryon asymmetry as a motivation to measure fundamental properties of antimatter.
 - High-energy physics vs Low-energy physics approach.
 - Different „simple” antimatter system.
 - Production of positrons.
 - Production of antiprotons.
 - Antiproton decelerators.
 - Antiproton trapping, in particular Penning Trap.
 - Antiproton storage.
 - Antiproton transport.
 - BASE-STEP.
 - Nuclear physics with antimatter with PUMA experiment.
- Lecture 2:
 - Precision measurements with antimatter systems.

