



20 Years of Stefan Meyer Institute for subatomic Physics

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Symposium 20 Years of SMI

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Historical note

Boltzmannngasse 3



Stefan Meyer



HISTORIC SITE
EUROPEAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY (EPS)
INSTITUTE FOR RADIUM RESEARCH

In 1910, in this building, the "Institute for Radium Research" of the Imperial Academy of Sciences was established and inaugurated as the first of its kind worldwide. Under Stefan Meyer, the new institute dedicated extensive research into the physical properties of the radioactive element radium.

The major contributions of Victor Franz Hess, the discoverer of cosmic radiation, George de Hevesy and Friedrich Paneth, inventors of the use of isotopic tracers in the study of chemical processes, as well as those of Marietta Blau, pioneer in nuclear-emulsion detectors, and of Karl Przibram, leader in radiation-induced luminescence and colour change of glass and minerals, were achieved here.

HISTORISCHE STÄTTE
EUROPÄISCHE PHYSIKALISCHE GESELLSCHAFT (EPS)
INSTITUT FÜR RADIIUMFORSCHUNG

Im Jahre 1910 wurde dieses Gebäude als „Institut für Radiumforschung“ der Kaiserlichen Akademie der Wissenschaften errichtet und als weltweit erste Forschungseinrichtung ihrer Art eröffnet. Unter Stefan Meyer wurden an dem neuen Institut die physikalischen Eigenschaften des Elements Radium umfassend erforscht.

Hier vollbrachten Victor Franz Hess, Entdecker der kosmischen Strahlung, George de Hevesy und Friedrich Paneth, Erfinder der Methode der radioaktiven Tracer, sowie Marietta Blau, Pionierin der Aufzeichnung von Teilchenspuren mittels fotografischer Emulsionen, und Karl Przibram, Wegbereiter für strahleninduzierte Lumineszenz und Verfärbung von Glas und Mineralien, ihre bahnbrechenden Arbeiten.

Wien -
28. Mai 2015



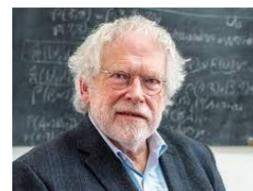
*Viktor Franz Hess
Nobelpreis 1936*



*Georg v. Hevesy
Nobelpreis 1943*



*A. Zeilinger
Nobelpreis 2022*



- 1910 „Institut für Radiumforschung“
 - Boltzmannngasse 3
 - Stefan Meyer was first director
 - Nobel prizes

- V. Hess (physics): cosmic rays
- G.v. Hevesy (chemistry): tracer method
- **A. Zeilinger, IQOQI (physics): quantum physics**

- 1987 Renamed to „Institute for Medium Energy Physics“
- 2004: Institute renamed to “Stefan Meyer Institute for Subatomic Physics”
- **2024: Symposium 20 years**

2021 → Kegelgasse



2023 → PSK



Beginning of SMI: renaming ceremony 29 Oct 2004

- Symposium in Theatersaal
 - In presence of Pierre Radvanyi, H el ene Langevin-Curie and many colleagues
- Unveiling of Honour Plaque in Boltzmannngasse 3



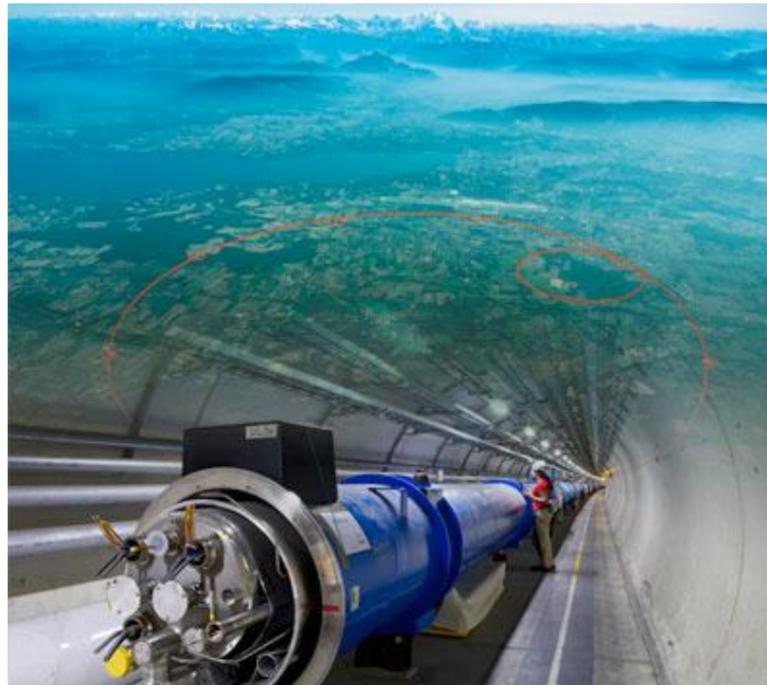


SMI Physics Programme

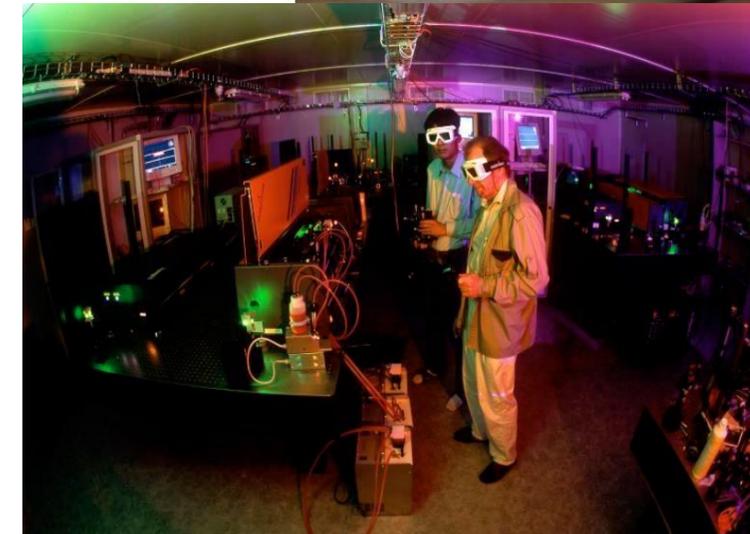
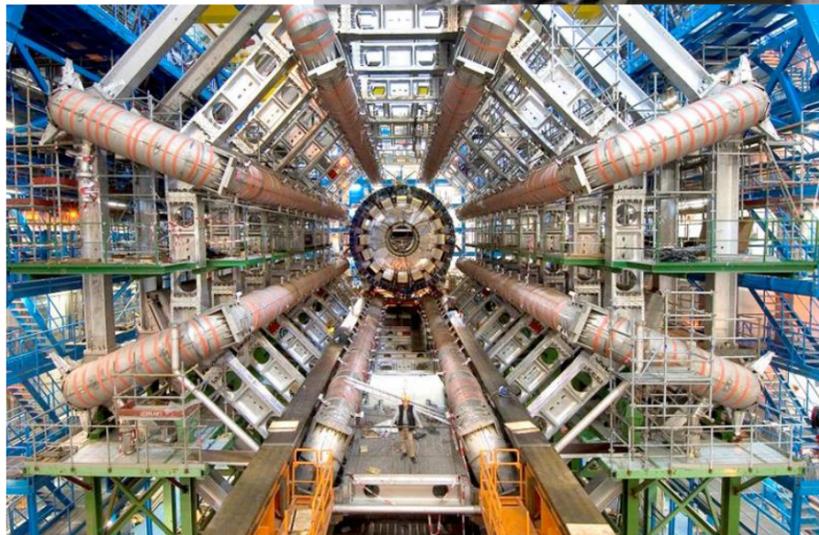
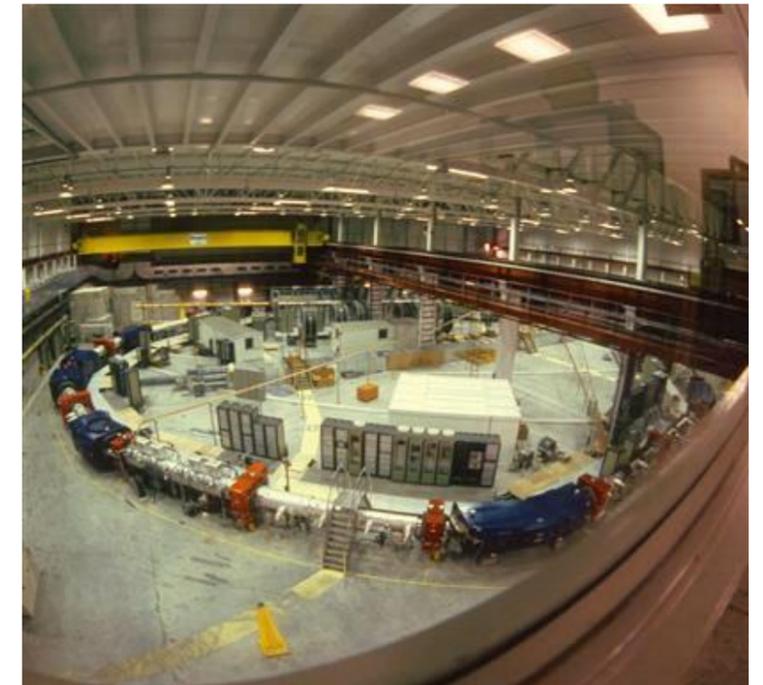
Fundamental Interactions and Symmetries

New knowledge in subatomic physics

- High energies
 - *Direct observation*

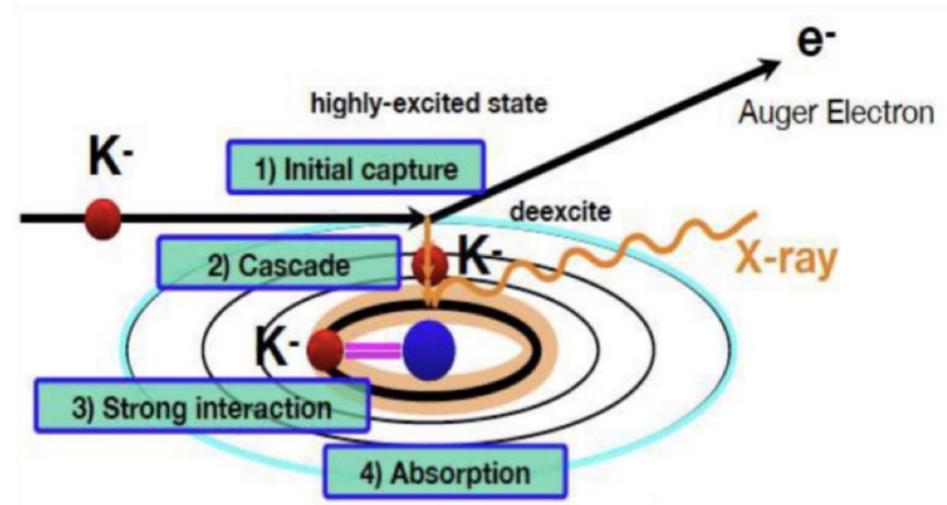


- Low energies
 - *Precision experiments*

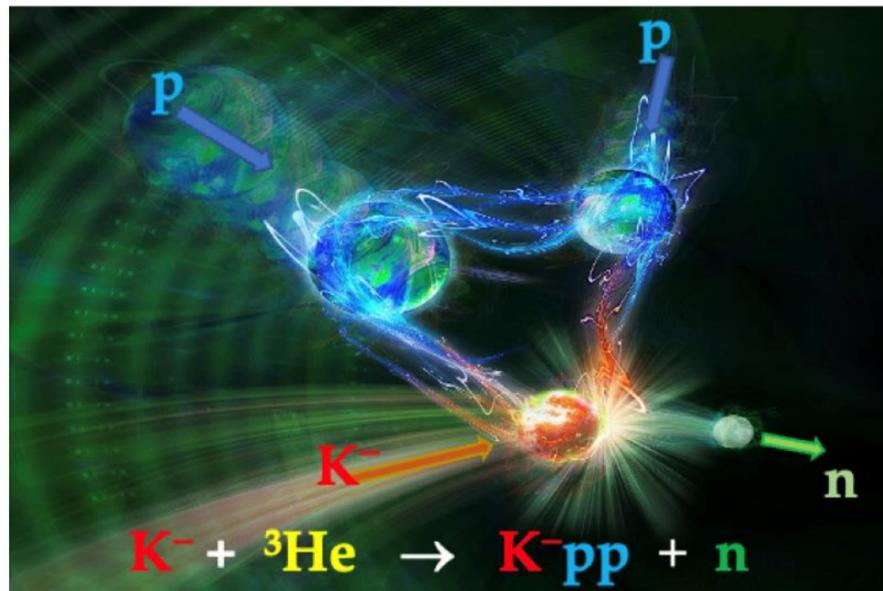


Strong interaction in the non-perturbative regime

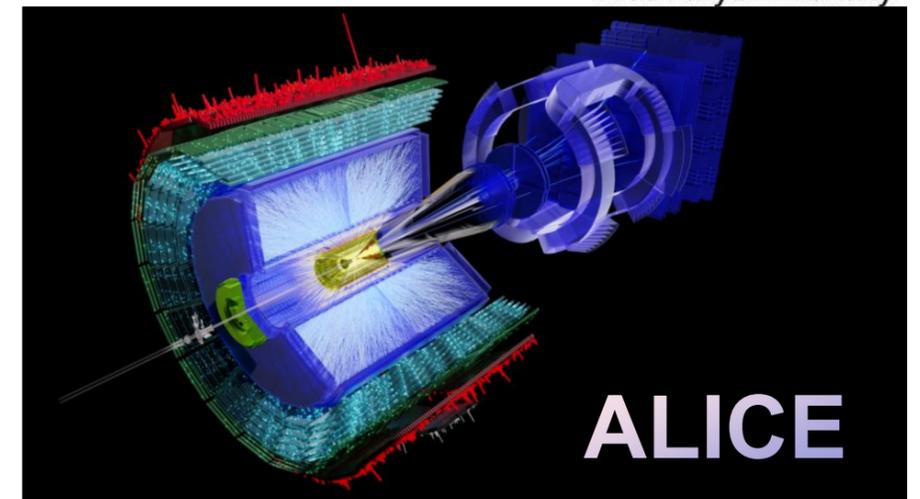
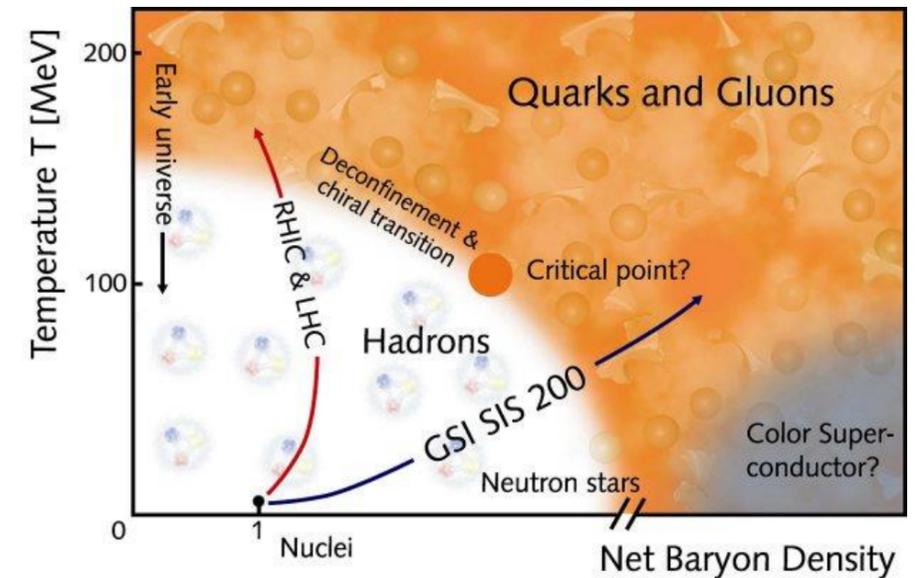
- Kaonic atom



- Kaon nucleon bound states

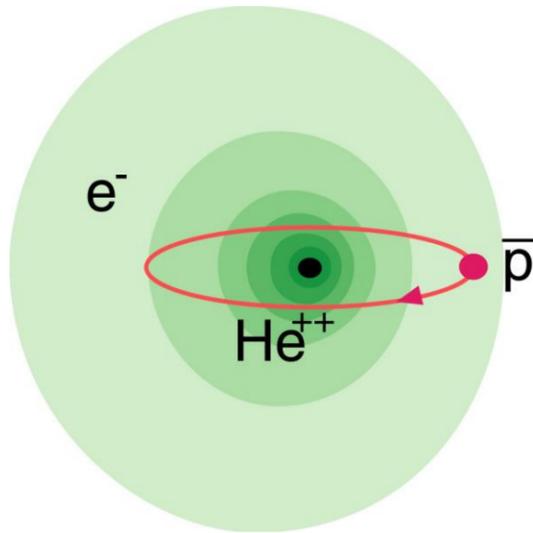


- Phase diagram of strongly interacting matter



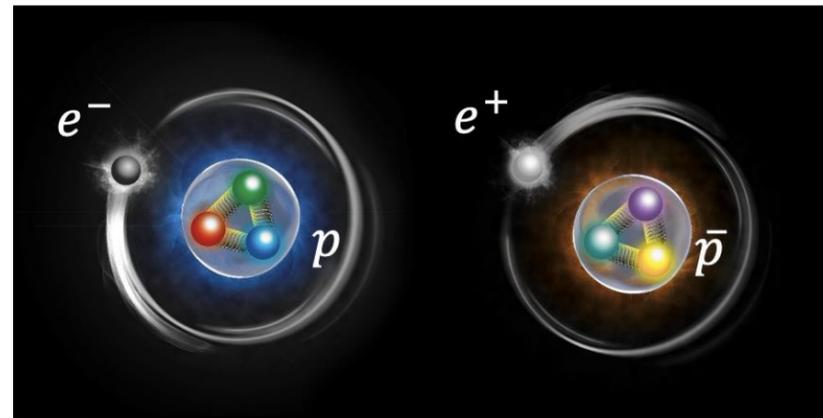
SMI: exotic atoms to study fundamental symmetries and interactions

Antiprotonic helium



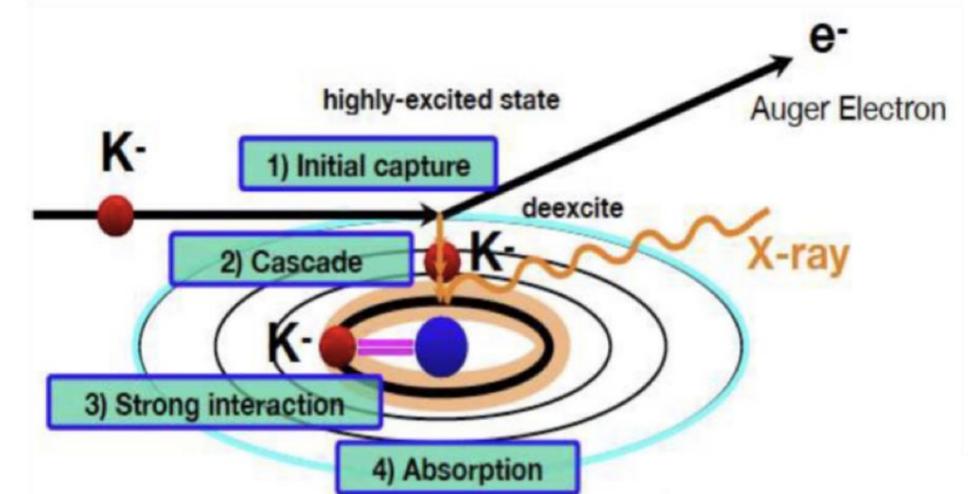
Three-body matter-antimatter system
Easy to make, difficult to calculate
No strong interaction: QED
laser spectroscopy: $m_{\bar{p}}/m_e$, CPT

Antihydrogen



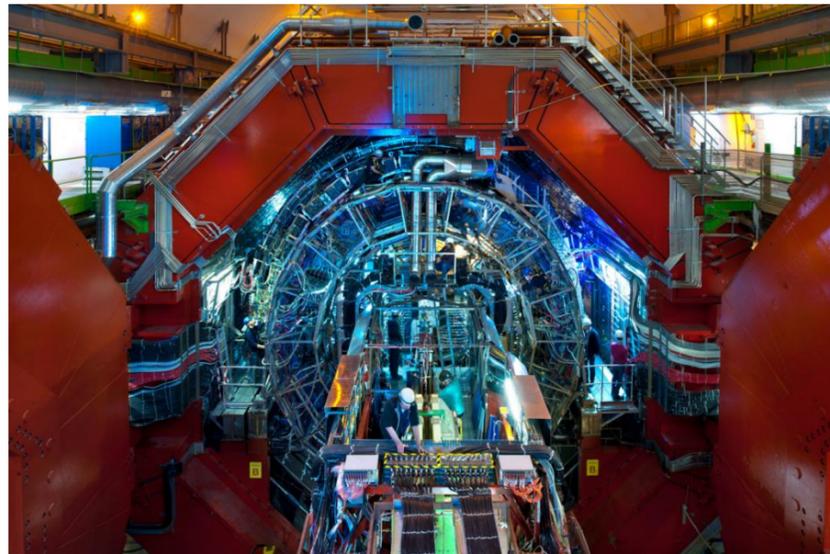
Two-body pure antimatter system
Difficult to make, easy to calculate
Laser & microwave spectroscopy
CPT, QED

Kaonic hydrogen



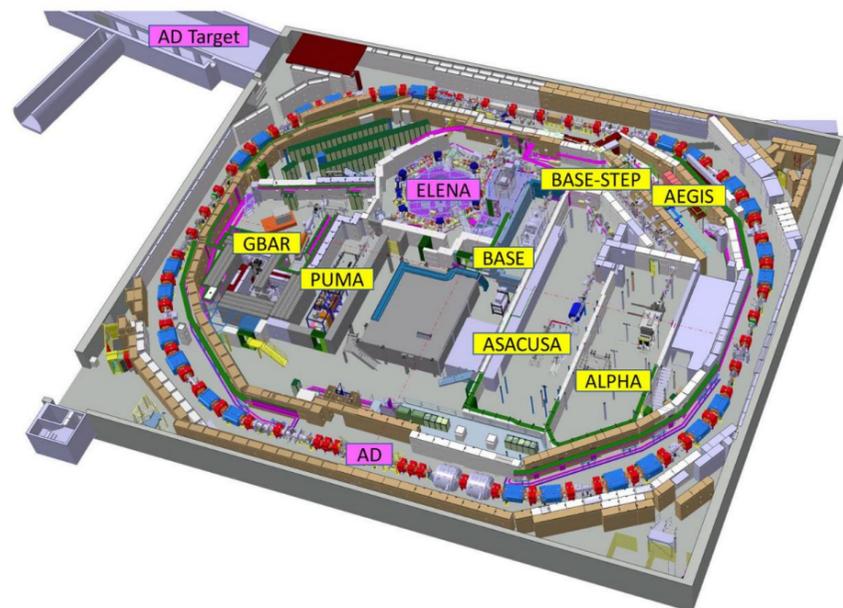
Two-body matter-antimatter system
Easy to make, difficult to calculate
X-ray spectroscopy
QCD

International accelerator labs



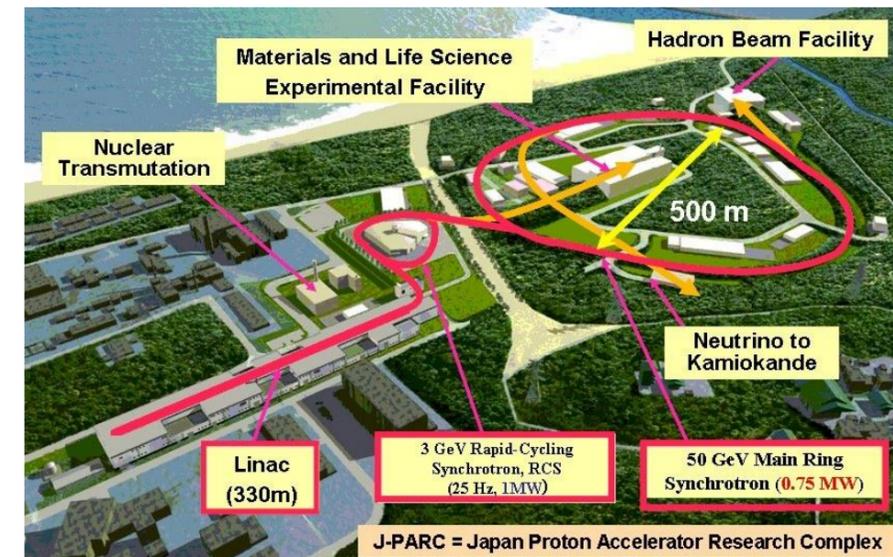
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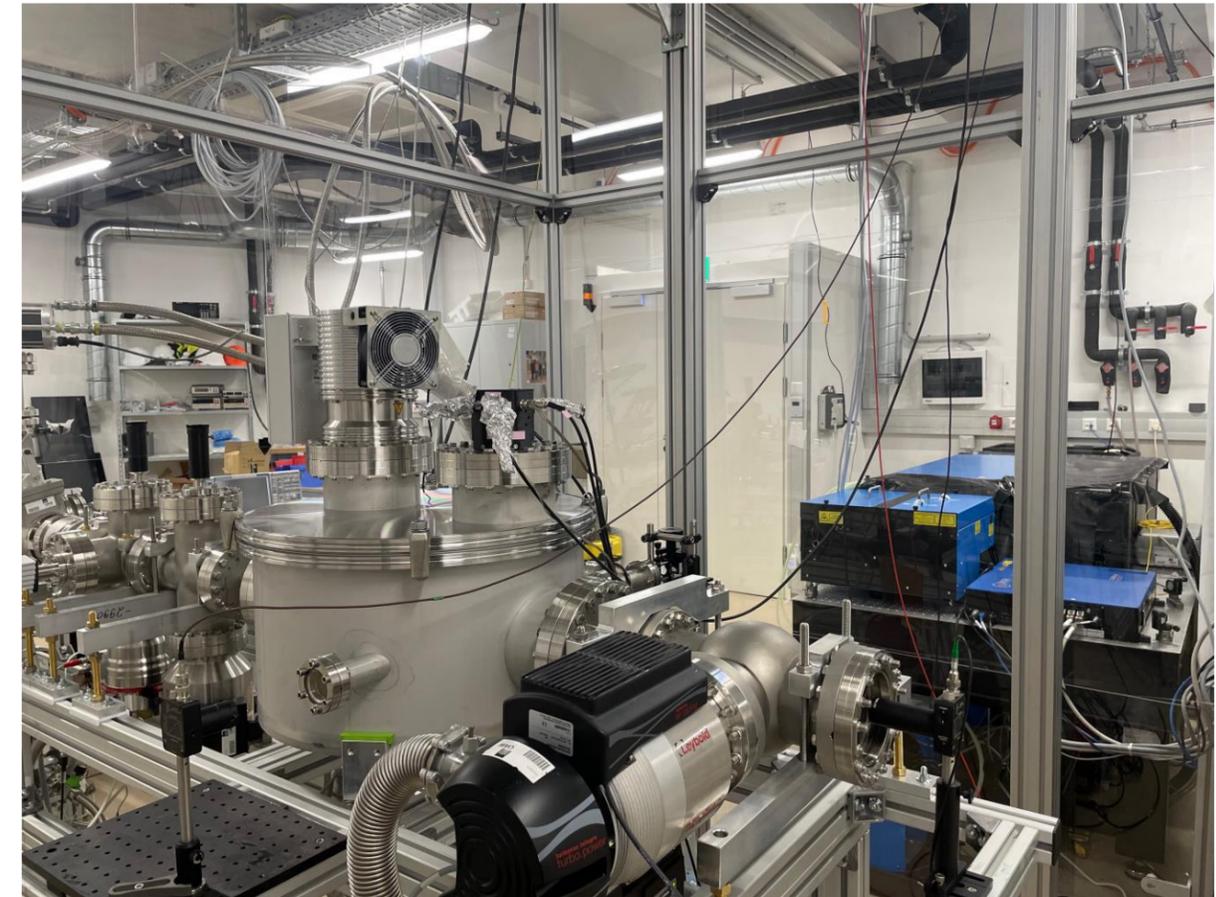
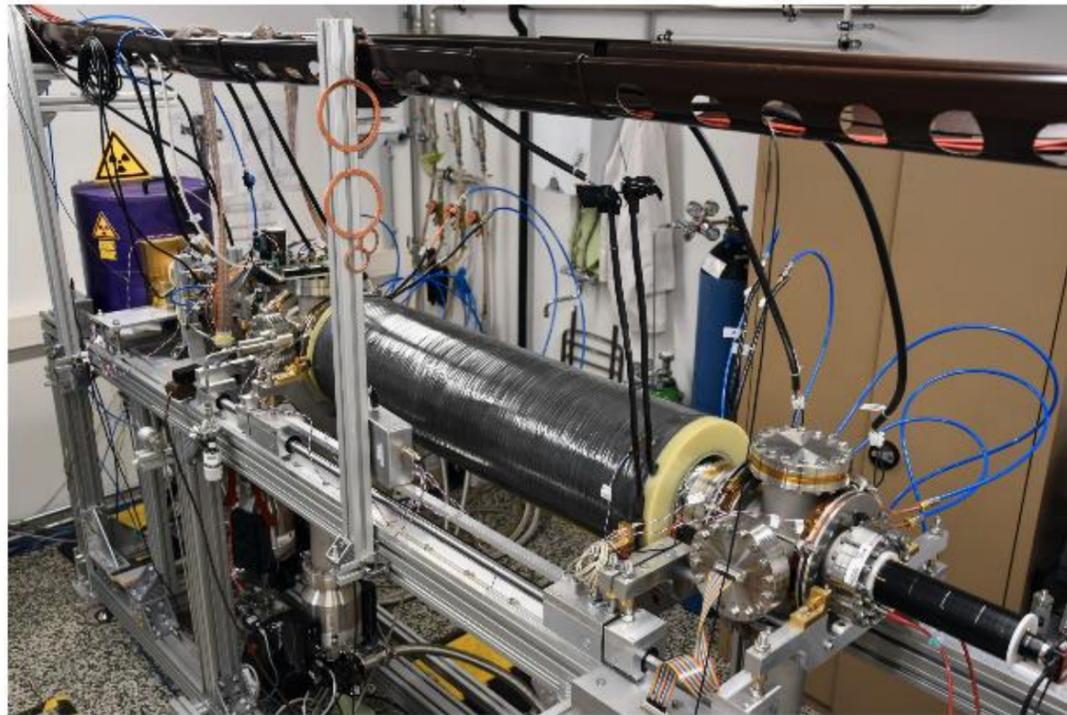
AD/ELENA
@CERN

J-PARC
@Tokai



Since move to Kegelgasse: on site experiments

- Positron lab
 - Still located in Kegelgasse
- Hydrogen and deuterium beams



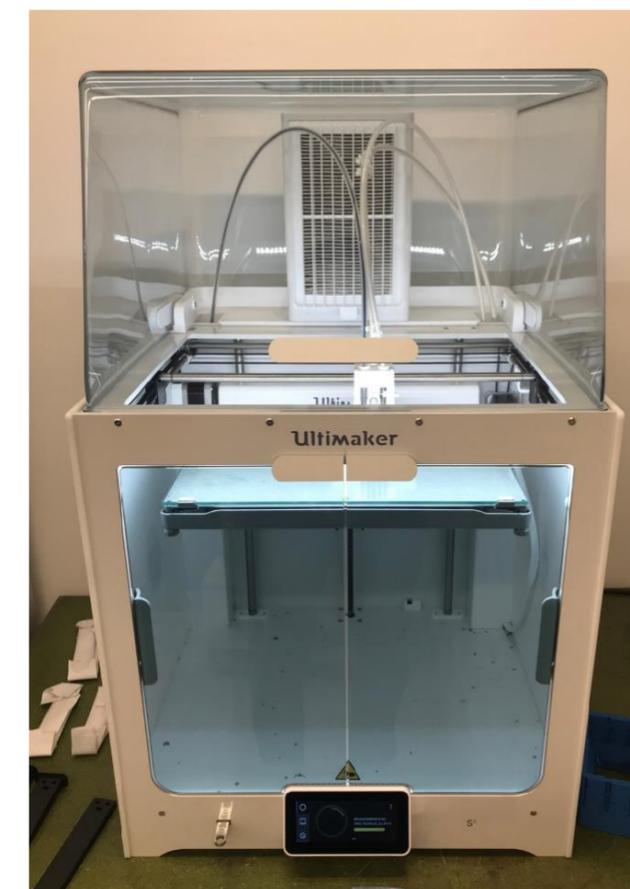
PSK: joint Cryolab with HEPHY

Advanced instrumentation: infrastructure

Mechanical workshop



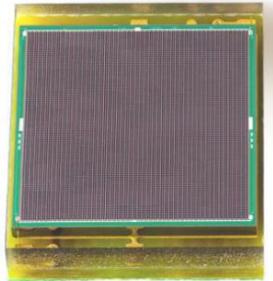
Additive manufacturing



Still in Boltzmannngasse 3
to move 2025 to PSK

Advanced instrumentation: detectors and experimental setups

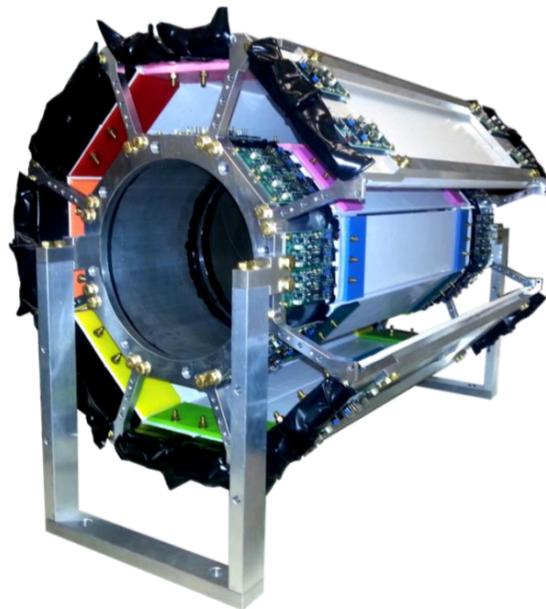
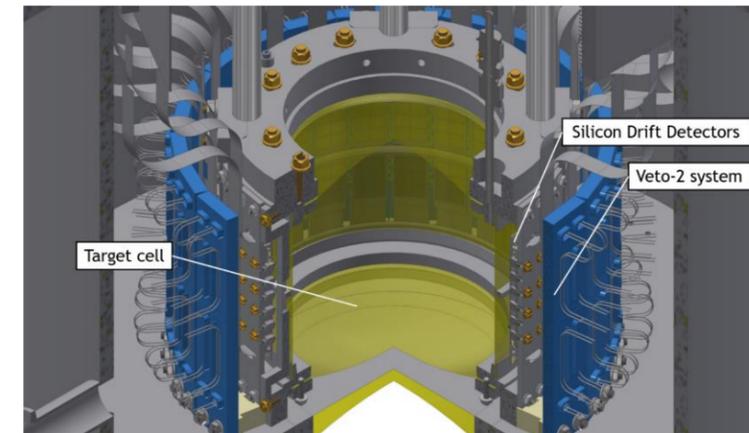
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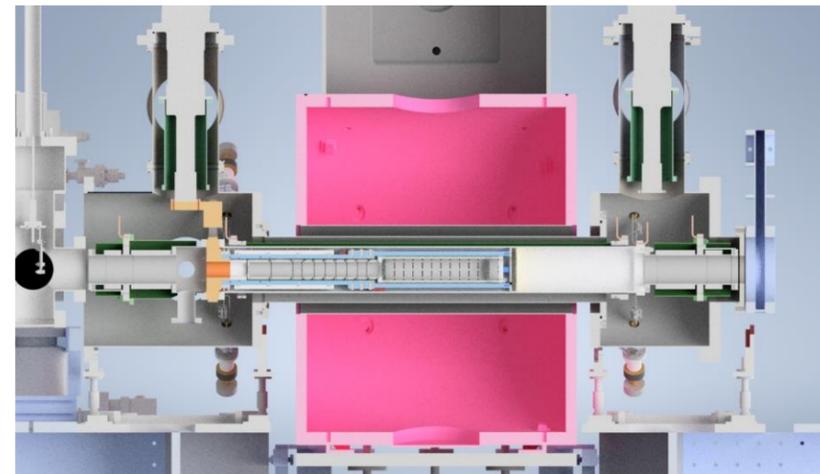
SiPM electronics



SDD



Hodoscope



ASACUSA cold bore

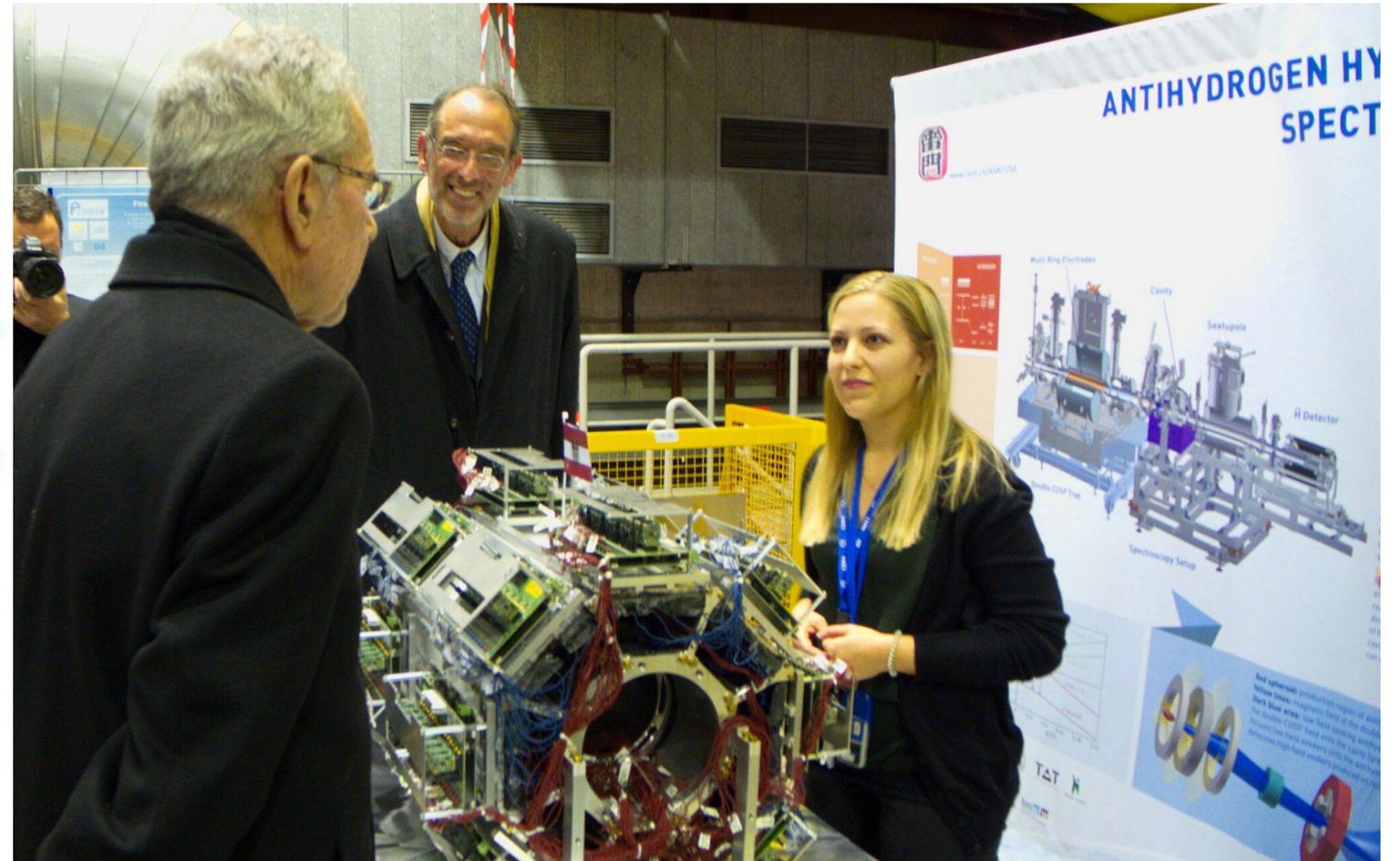
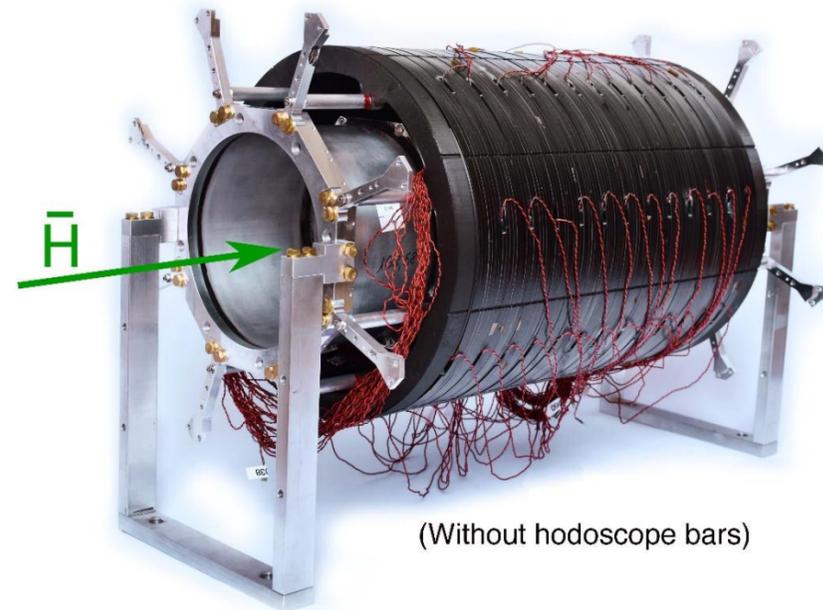
SIDDHARTA-2



ASACUSA Penning trap

Advanced instrumentation

- Asacusa hodoscope
 - Scintillators, scint. Fibers, SiPM
- Central BGO disk
- Machine learning:
 - Cosmics rejection 99,7%
 - False positive rate: 0.0039 s^{-1}
 - \bar{p} efficiency $\sim 80\%$





Physics program overview

- **Low energy precision experiments** EW, D. Murtagh, M. Simon (50%)

- **ASACUSA@CERN**: Antihydrogen hyperfine structure, H and D beams:
CPT & Lorentz invariance tests

ERC 2012

- 2017~ • **GRASIAN**: GRAvity, Spectroscopy and Interferometry with ultra-cold Atoms and Neutrons: *ultra-cold H: short-range forces, precision laser and microwave spectroscopy*

- 2018~ • Positron laboratory: *molecular states involving positronium, move to PSK in Dec 2024*

- **Hadron physics**

D. Dobrigkeit Chinnellato, P. Bühler

- 2015~ • **ALICE**: *Quark Gluon Plasma,*

NFG 2015

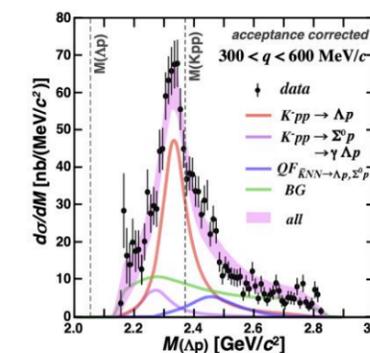
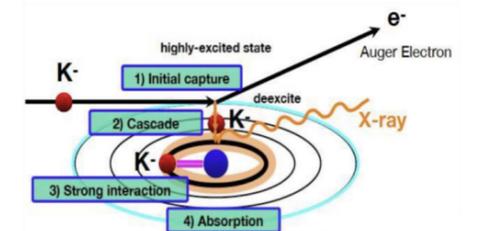
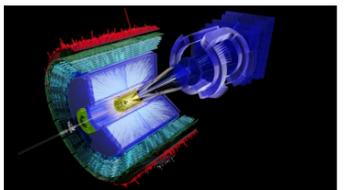
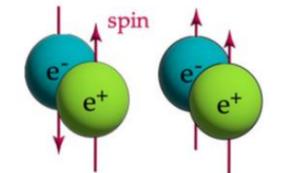
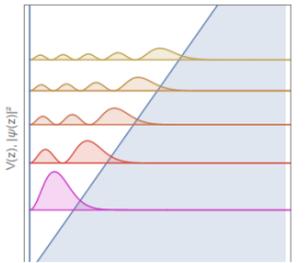
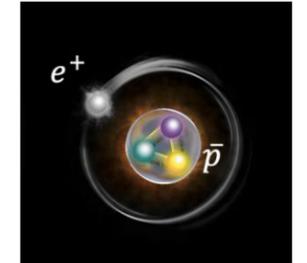
- **SIDDHARTA-2@LNF**, *strong interaction studies at low energies,*

J. Zmeskal †

- E57@J-PARC: *K⁻d X-rays,*
- J-PARC E31 $\Lambda(1405)$, E15 *K⁻pp* finished, E80@J-PARC $\bar{K}NNN$

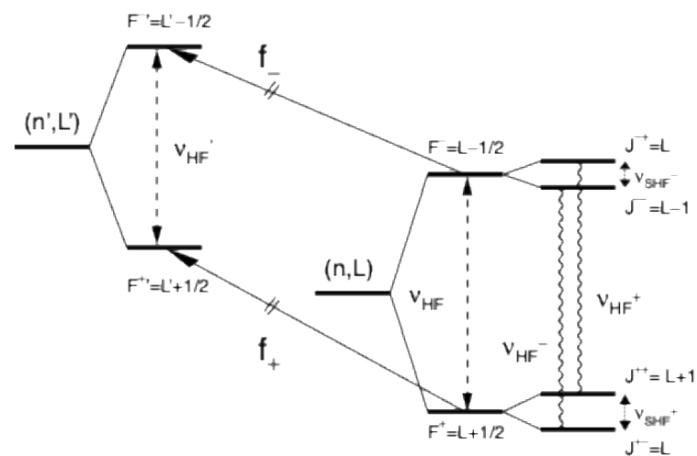
- **Advanced Instrumentation (service unit)** M. Simon (50%)

Projects since 2004, others (PANDA, VIP, NoMoS NFG 2015 discontinued)

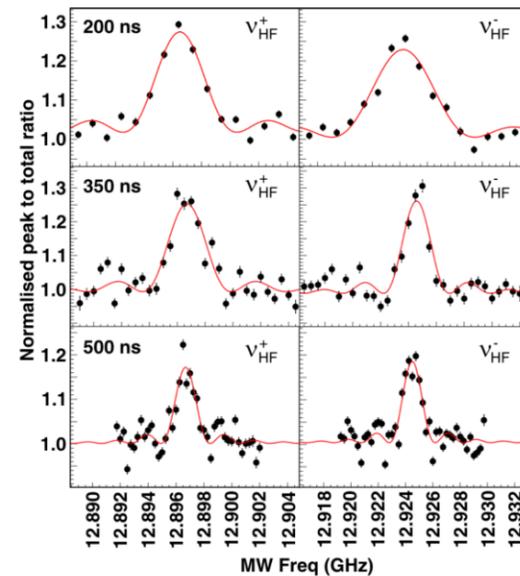


ASACUSA: antiprotonic He hyperfine spectroscopy

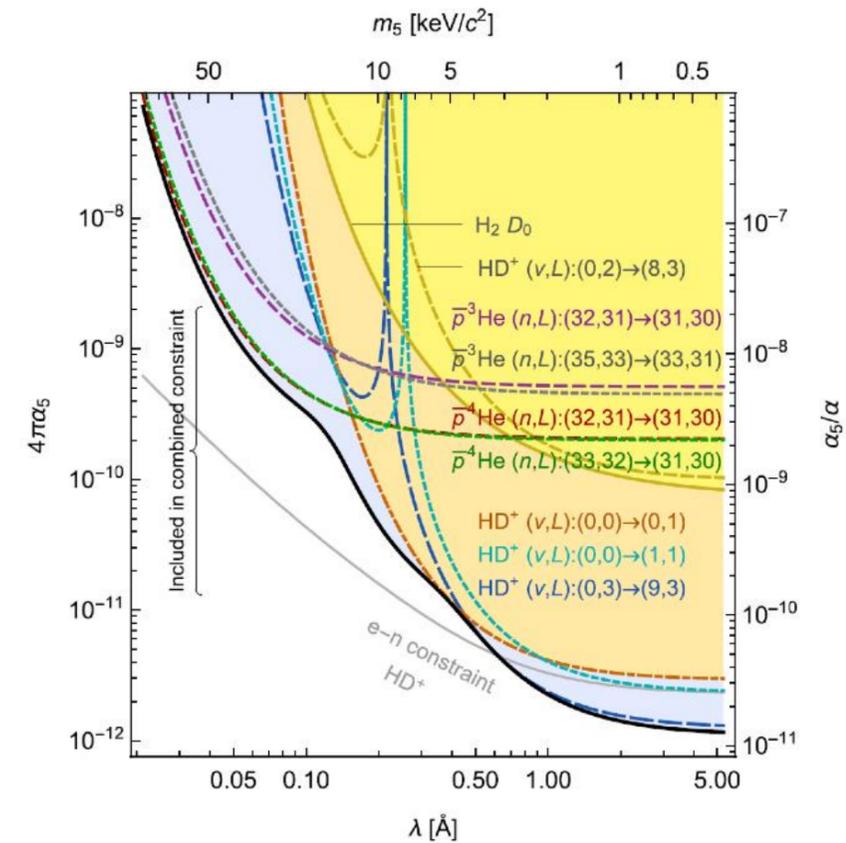
- $\bar{p}^4\text{He}$: determination of \bar{p} magnetic moment (2009)



$$\frac{\mu_p - |\mu_{\bar{p}}|}{\mu_p} = (2.4 \pm 2.9) \times 10^{-3}$$



- Limits on 5th force



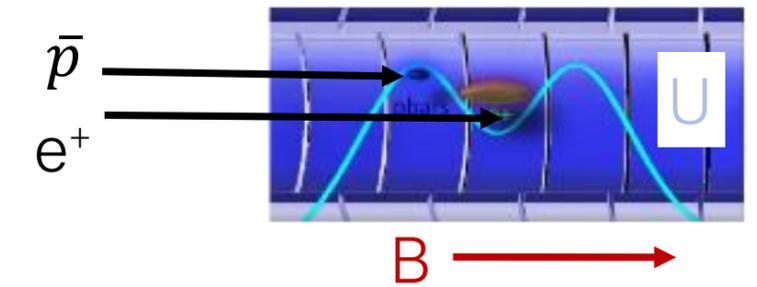
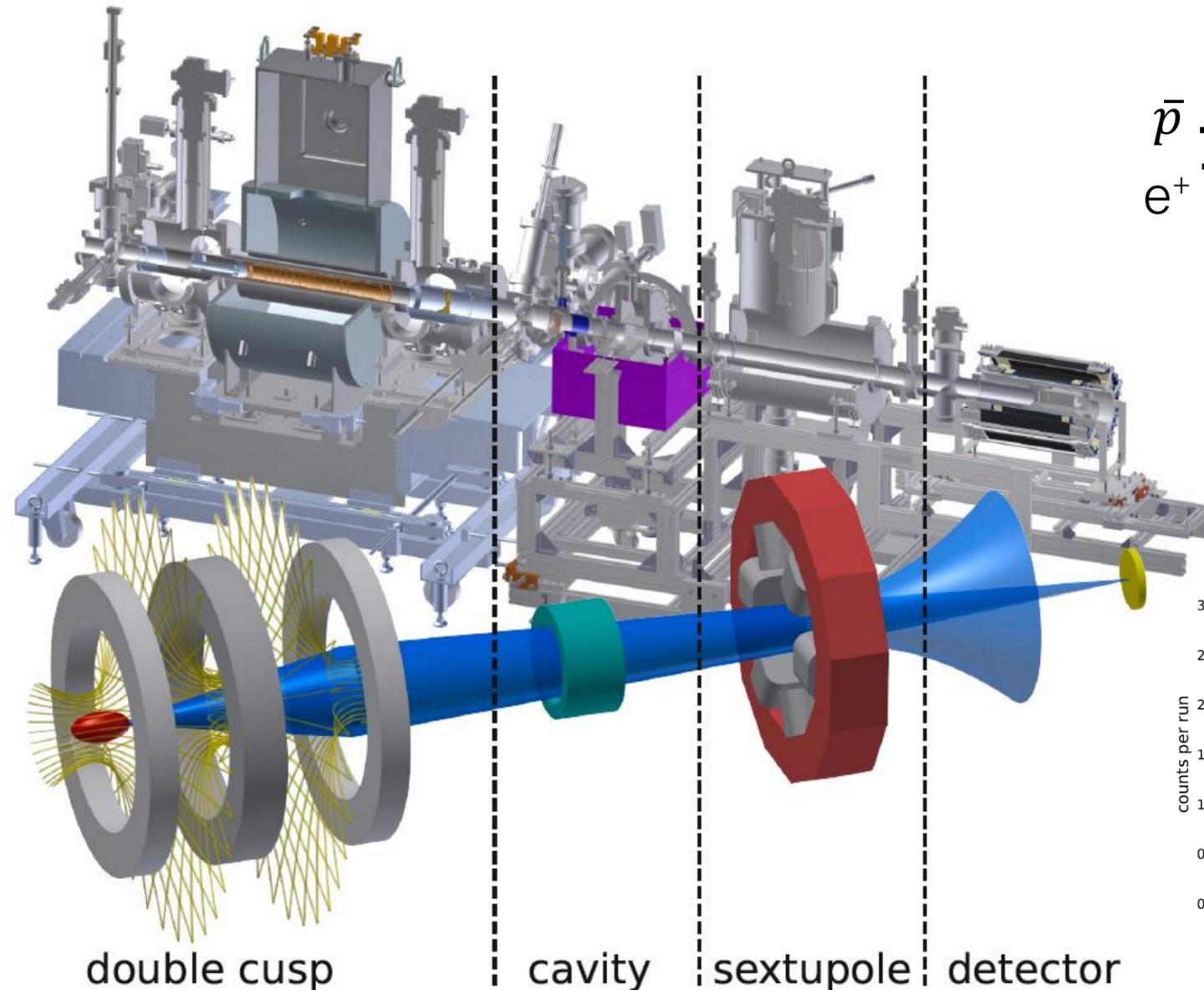
- $\bar{p}^3\text{He}$ (2011)
 - Limits on spin-dependent exotic forces

F. Ficep et al., PRL 120, 183002 (2018)

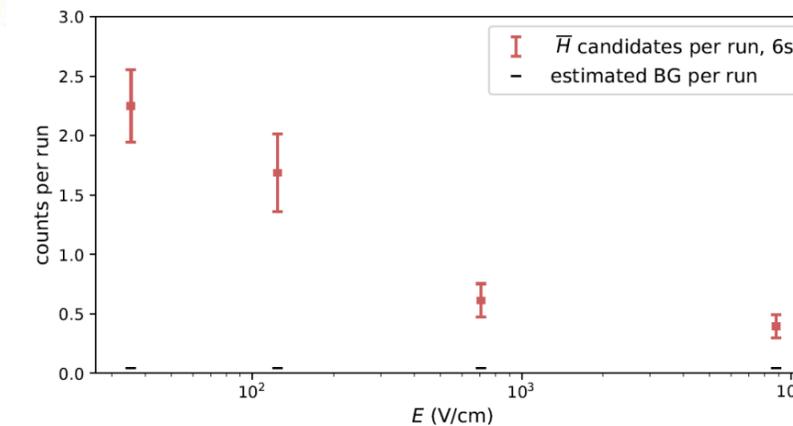
M. Germann et al., Phys Rev Research 3, L022028 (2021)

ASACUSA antihydrogen beam for HFS

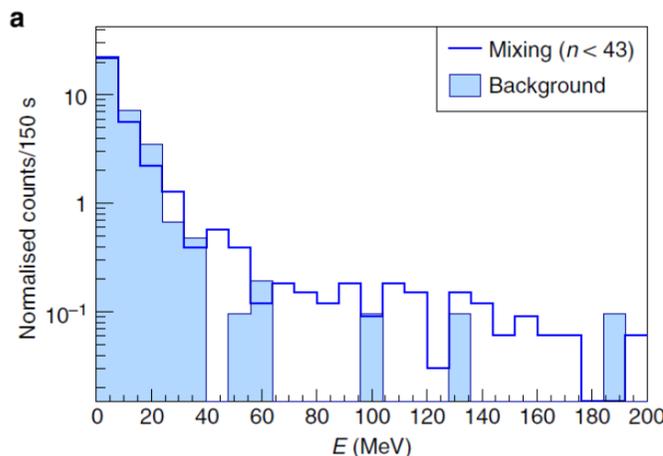
- \bar{H} production 1st time in 2010 in nested Penning trap
 - Three body recombination (\rightarrow Rydberg states)
- 1st observation of beam in field free region 2014
 - $n \leq 43$: 6 \bar{H} /15 min
 - $n \leq 29$: 4 \bar{H} /15 min



- Measurement of n distribution 2021



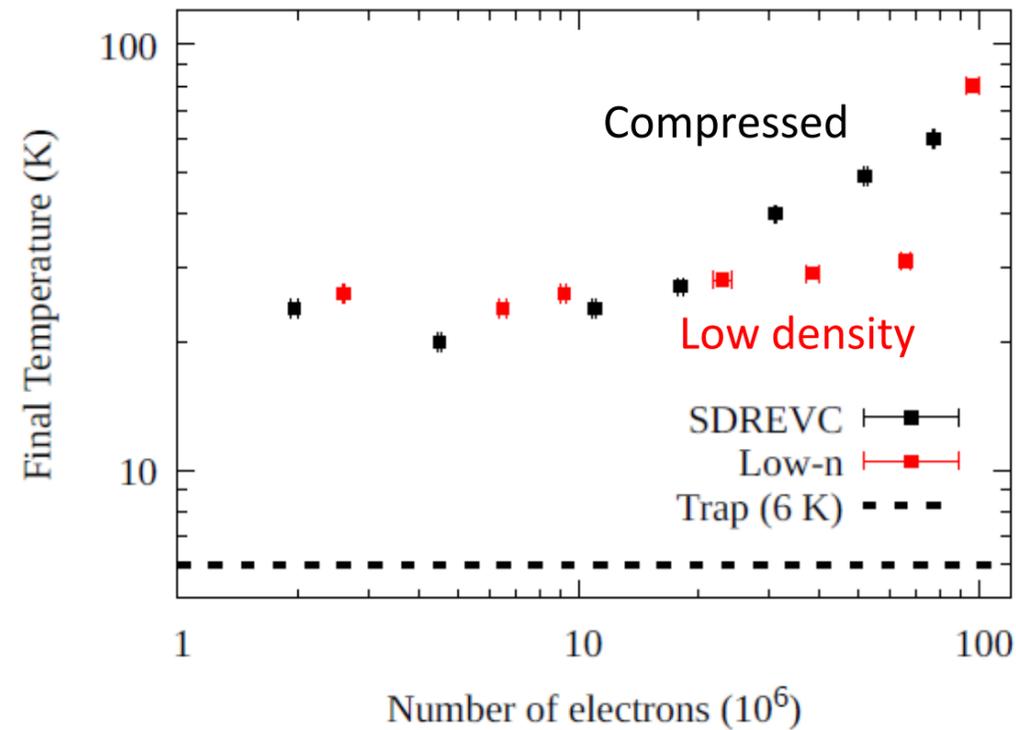
B. Kolbinger et al.
EPJ D 75, (2021) 91.



N. Kuroda et al,
Nat. Commun. 5,
3089 (2014).

Recent milestones

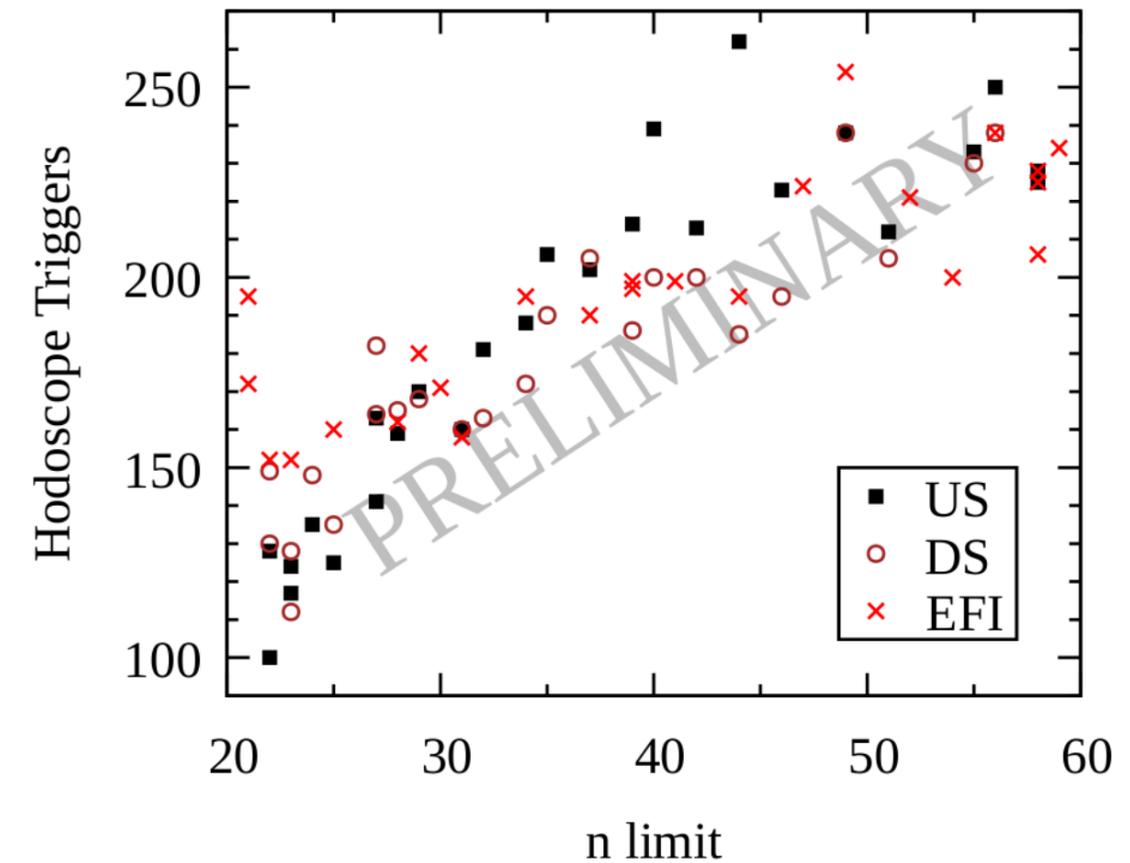
- 100 K colder electron plasmas compared to before



E. Hunter et al. EPJ Web Conf. 262 01007 (2022)
C. Amsler et al. arXiv:2203.14890 [physics.plasm-ph]

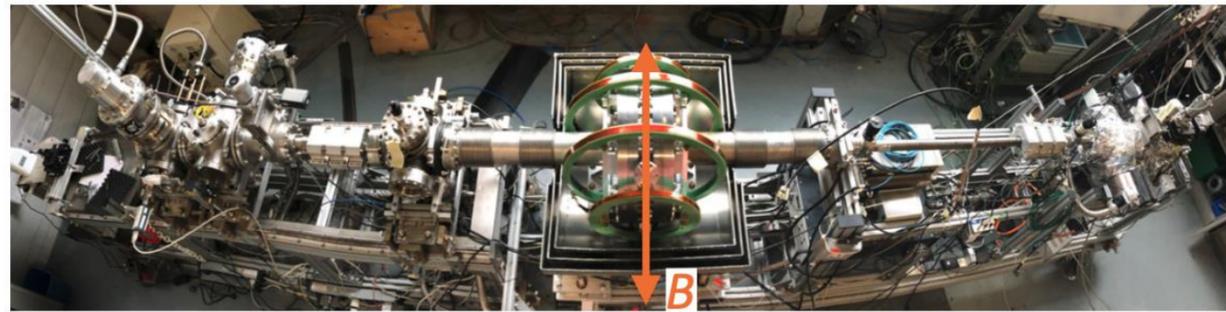
- Quantum number distribution of \bar{H}

- Factor 100 increase
- Clear beam component observed



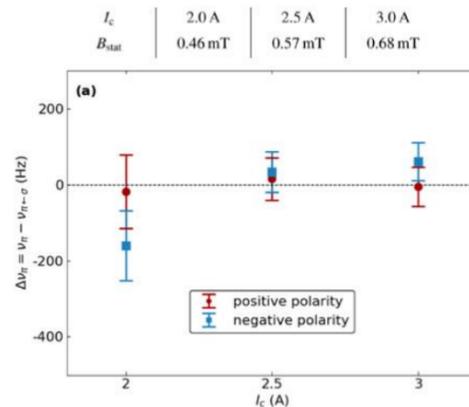
Hydrogen and Deuterium beam experiments

Hydrogen beam: orientation dependence



π transition

- $\nu_\pi(\vec{B}) - \nu_\pi(-\vec{B})$ is proportional to SME coefficients
V.A.Kostelevy & A.J. Vargas, PRD 92, 056002, (2015).
- Error 51 Hz
- Simultaneous measurement of ν_σ, ν_π yields improved value for zero field hyperfine splitting
• $\delta\nu_{HF} = 0.63$ Hz (440 ppt)



Coefficient \mathcal{K}	Constraint on $ \mathcal{K} $
proton	
$H_{NR(0B),Sun}^{NR(0B),Sun}, \delta_{p010}$	$< 1.2 \times 10^{-21}$ GeV
$H_{NR(1B),Sun}^{NR(1B),Sun}, \delta_{p010}$	$< 5.8 \times 10^{-22}$ GeV
$H_{NR(0B),Sun}^{NR(0B),Sun}, \delta_{p210}$	$< 8.4 \times 10^{-11}$ GeV ⁻¹
$H_{NR(1B),Sun}^{NR(1B),Sun}, \delta_{p210}$	$< 4.2 \times 10^{-11}$ GeV ⁻¹
$H_{NR(0B),Sun}^{NR(0B),Sun}, \delta_{p410}$	< 1.2 GeV ⁻³
$H_{NR(1B),Sun}^{NR(1B),Sun}, \delta_{p410}$	< 0.6 GeV ⁻³
electron	
$H_{NR(0B),Sun}^{NR(0B),Sun}, \delta_{e010}$	$< 7.7 \times 10^{-19}$ GeV
$H_{NR(1B),Sun}^{NR(1B),Sun}, \delta_{e010}$	$< 3.8 \times 10^{-19}$ GeV
$H_{NR(0B),Sun}^{NR(0B),Sun}, \delta_{e210}$	$< 5.5 \times 10^{-8}$ GeV ⁻¹
$H_{NR(1B),Sun}^{NR(1B),Sun}, \delta_{e210}$	$< 2.8 \times 10^{-8}$ GeV ⁻¹
$H_{NR(0B),Sun}^{NR(0B),Sun}, \delta_{e410}$	$< 8.0 \times 10^2$ GeV ⁻³
$H_{NR(1B),Sun}^{NR(1B),Sun}, \delta_{e410}$	$< 4.0 \times 10^2$ GeV ⁻³

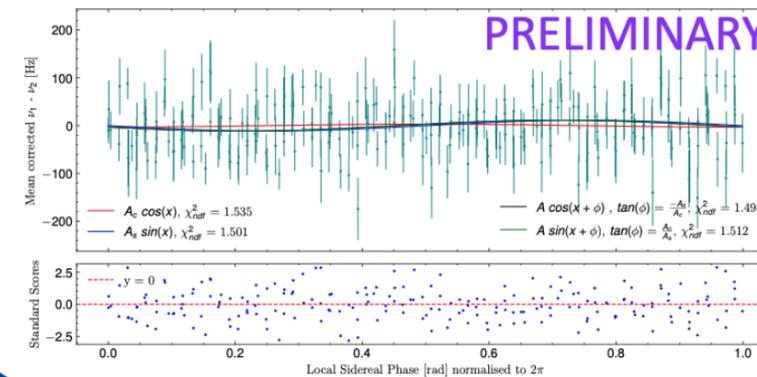
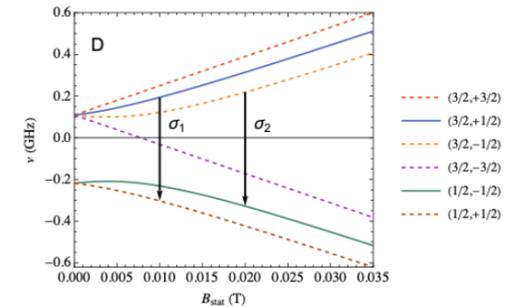
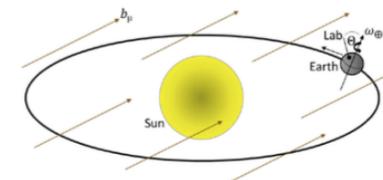
First limits on this type of coefficients
Nowak, L. et al. arXiv.2403.17763

Deuterium beam: sidereal variations



Deuterium hyperfine structure

- Increased sensitivity due to relative momentum p-n in d
- Important for coefficients at higher order in momentum



Coefficient \mathcal{K}	Constraint on $ \text{Re } \mathcal{K} , \text{Im } \mathcal{K} $
$H_{w011}^{NR(0B),Sun}, g_{w011}^{NR(0B),Sun}$	$< 4 \times 10^{-22}$ GeV
$H_{w011}^{NR(1B),Sun}, g_{w011}^{NR(1B),Sun}$	$< 2 \times 10^{-22}$ GeV
$H_{w211}^{NR(0B),Sun}, g_{w211}^{NR(0B),Sun}$	$< 3 \times 10^{-20}$ GeV ⁻¹
$H_{w211}^{NR(1B),Sun}, g_{w211}^{NR(1B),Sun}$	$< 6 \times 10^{-20}$ GeV ⁻¹
$H_{w411}^{NR(0B),Sun}, g_{w411}^{NR(0B),Sun}$	$< 7 \times 10^{-20}$ GeV ⁻³
$H_{w411}^{NR(1B),Sun}, g_{w411}^{NR(1B),Sun}$	$< 2 \times 10^{-19}$ GeV ⁻³
$c_{w221}^{NR,Sun}, a_{w221}^{NR,Sun}$	$< 4 \times 10^{-20}$ GeV ⁻¹
$c_{w222}^{NR,Sun}, a_{w222}^{NR,Sun}$	$< 6 \times 10^{-20}$ GeV ⁻¹
$c_{w421}^{NR,Sun}, a_{w421}^{NR,Sun}$	$< 2 \times 10^{-19}$ GeV ⁻³
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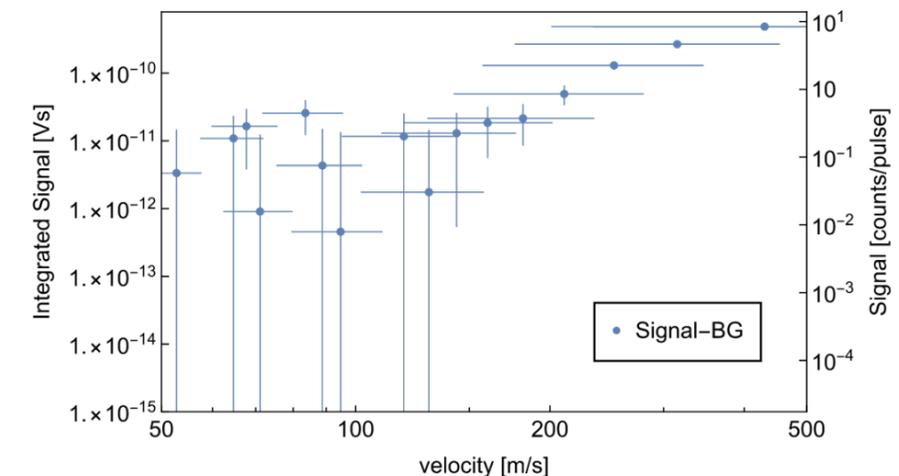
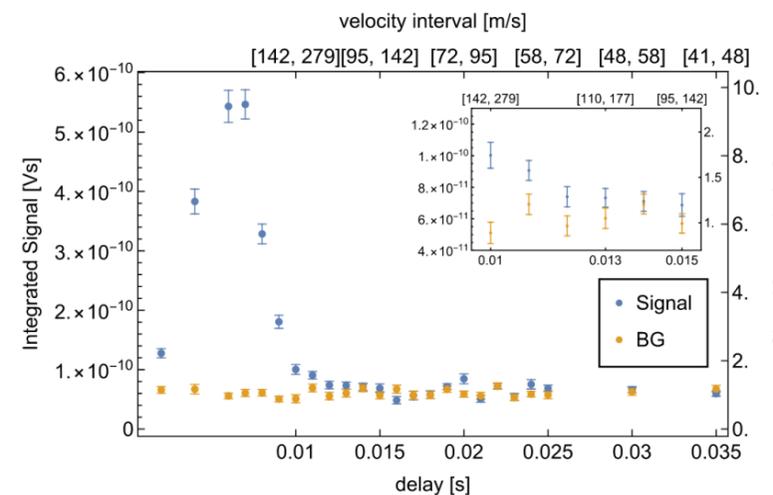
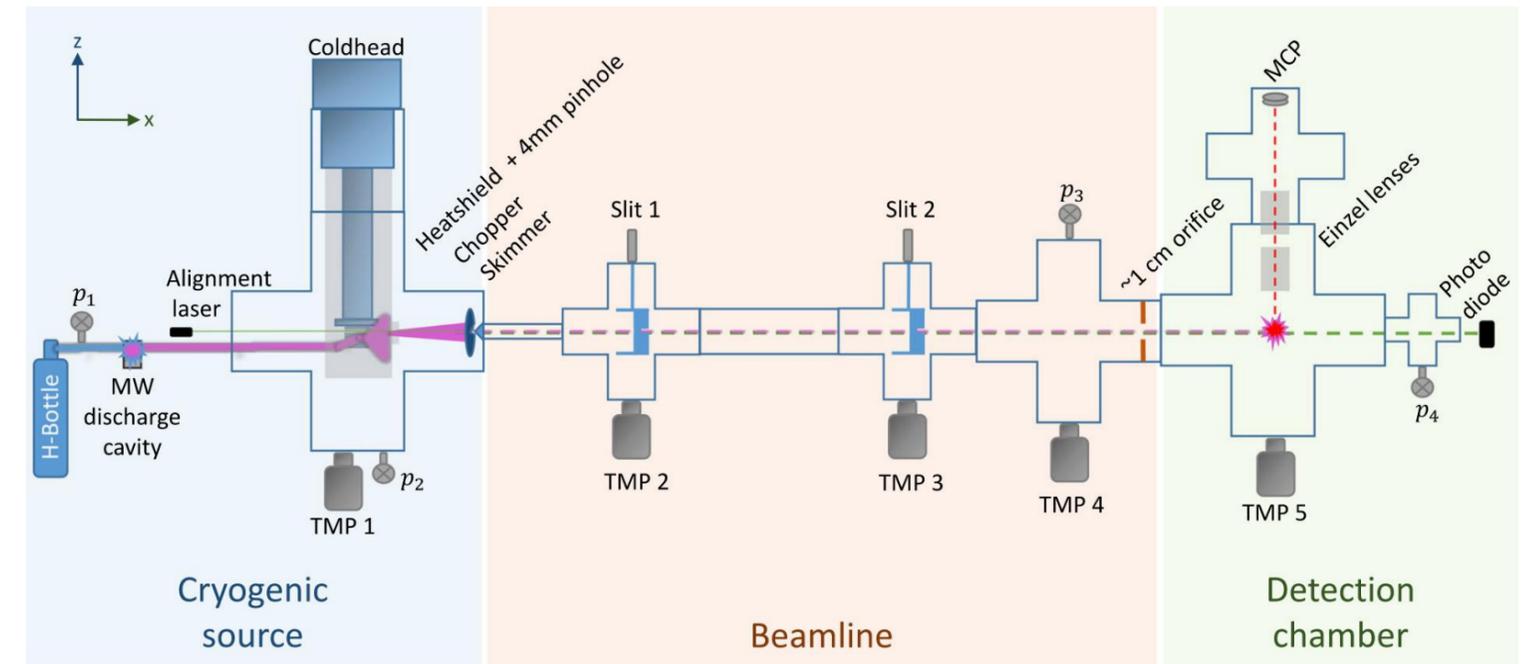
Expected sensitivity for $\Delta\nu \sim 10$ Hz
A.J. Vargas, Phys. Rev. D 109, 055001 (2024)

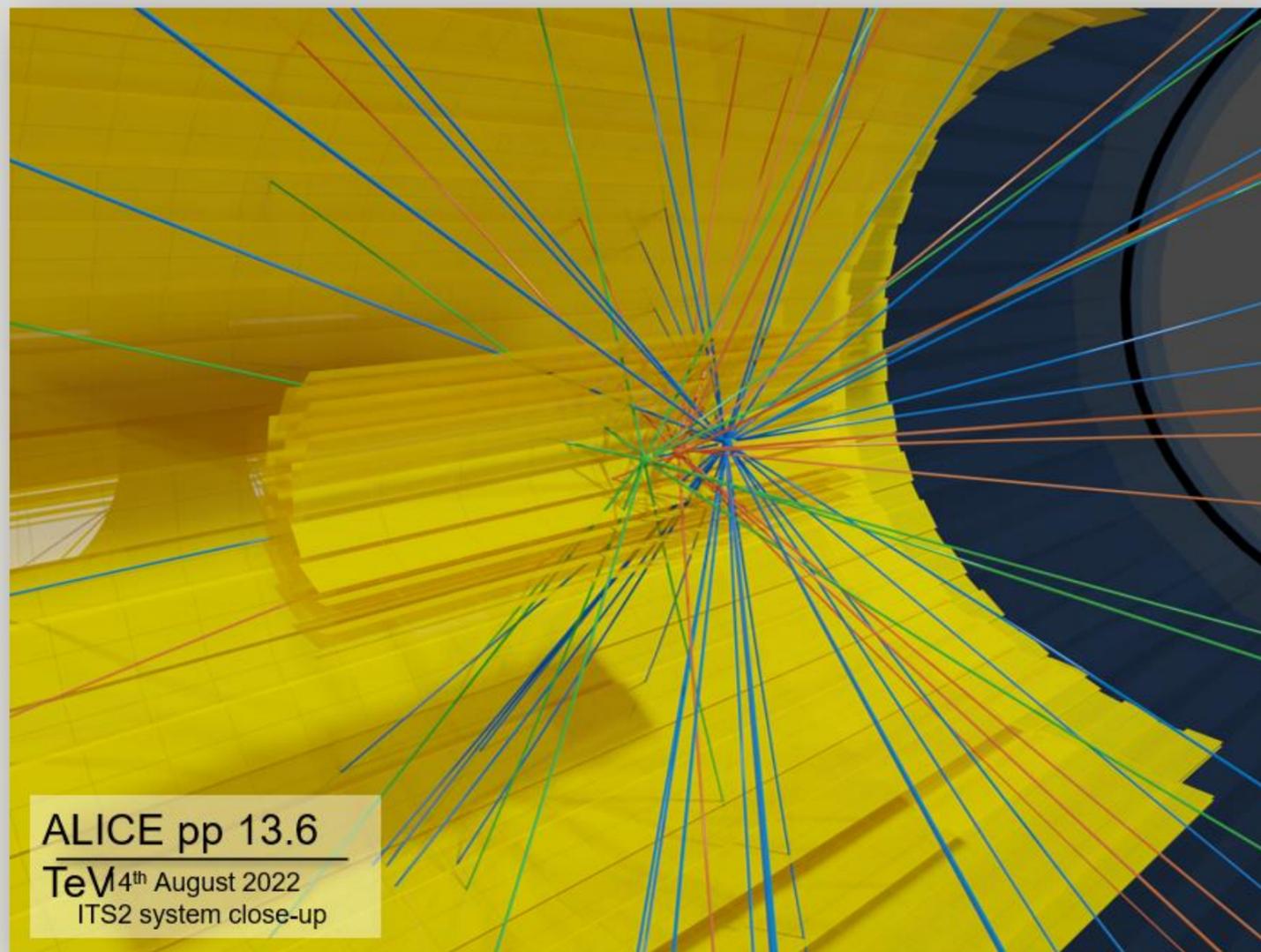
Nowak, L., et al. *Physics Letters B* 858 (November 1, 2024): 139012.

GRASIAN *GRA*vity, *S*pectroscopy and *I*nterferometry with ultra-cold *A*toms and *N*eutrons

- Quest for coldest hydrogen source
 - Longer interaction time → higher precision in laser or microwave spectroscopy
 - Lowest energies: gravitational quantum states (analogy neutrons): $v \sim \text{cm/s}$
 - Quantum reflection from van der Waals/Casimir-Polder potential
 - Also possible for antihydrogen
 - Other applications: search for short-range forces

Killian, Carina, et al.
The European Physical Journal D 78(2024): 132.

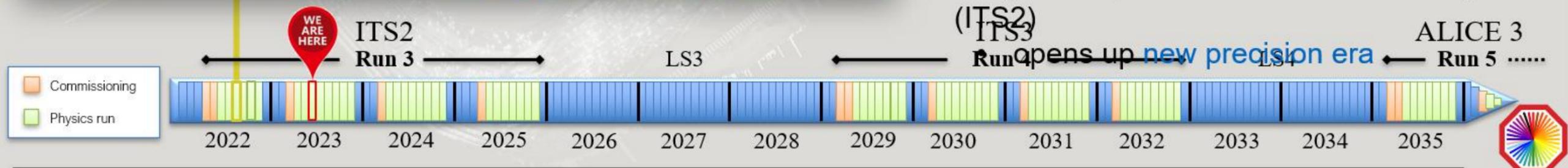




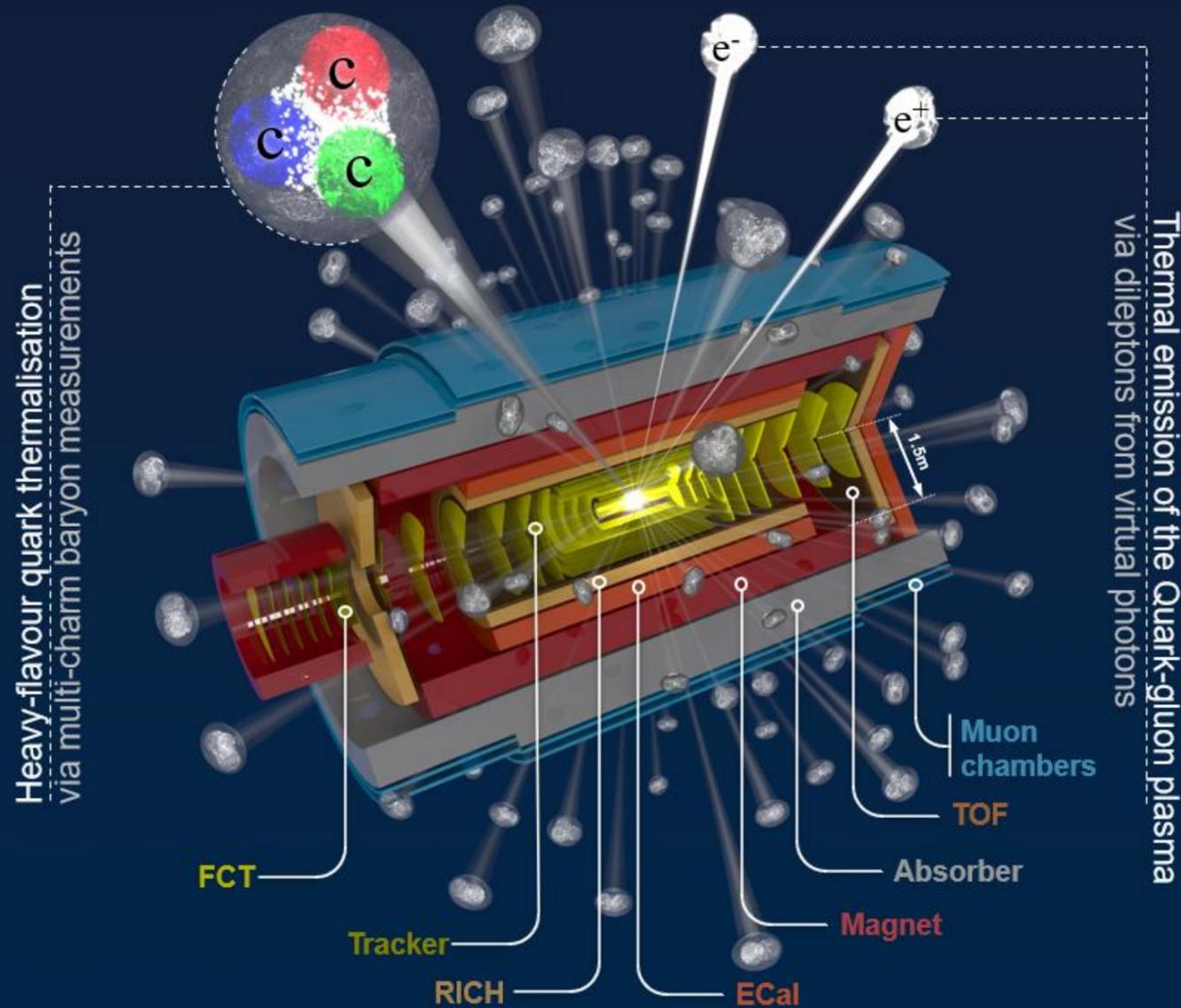
A bright future ahead at the LHC

- Run 3: **detector redesigned** for very high rates
 - **500 kHz** in pp
 - **50 kHz** Pb-Pb
- Completely **redesigned software**: O²
 - Necessary to meet new challenges
 - Powering the **next generation of analyses!**
 - SMI has leading roles:
 - Paul Bühler: PWG-UD convener
 - David Chinellato: Analysis Coordinator

- Fully silicon-pixel-based inner tracker system (ITS2) **opens up new precision era**
- **ITS3**
- **ALICE 3**



ALICE 3: a next-generation experiment for the 2030s

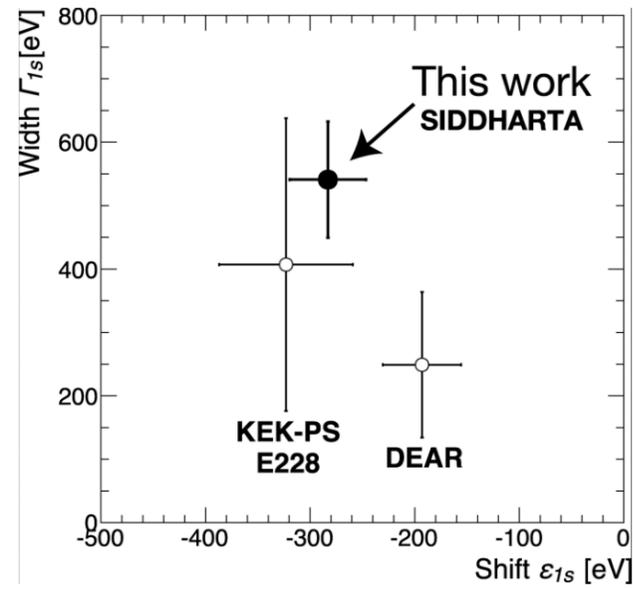
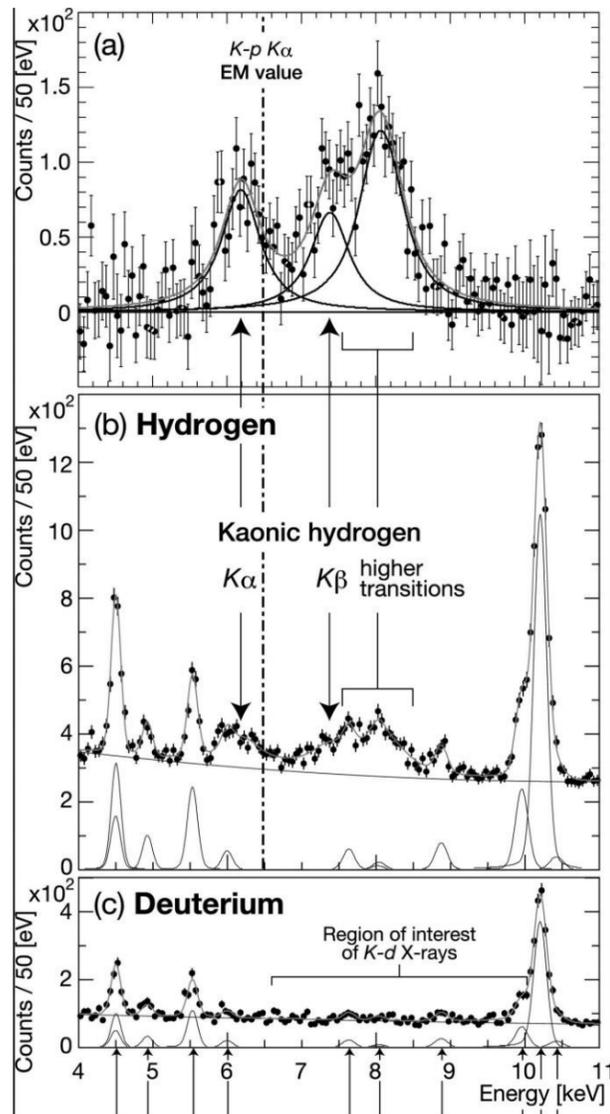


- All-silicon, large-acceptance tracker
 - High rate: 5x bigger luminosity, exploit LHC
 - Momentum precision of $\sigma_p/p \sim 1\%$
 - $\sim 10\%$ X_0 overall material budget
- State-of-the-art particle identification
 - Silicon-based TOF and RICH
 - Muon identification
- Very high vertexing precision
 - First layer at 5 mm from interaction point
 - Impact parameter resolution:
 - $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$ at $p_T \sim 200 \text{ MeV}/c$
 - $\sim 3 \mu\text{m}$ at $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$

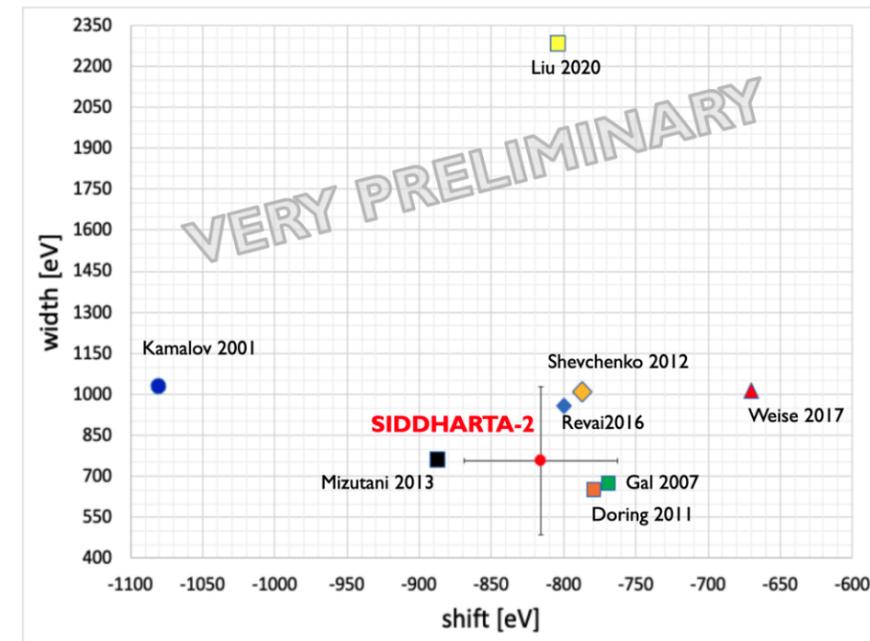
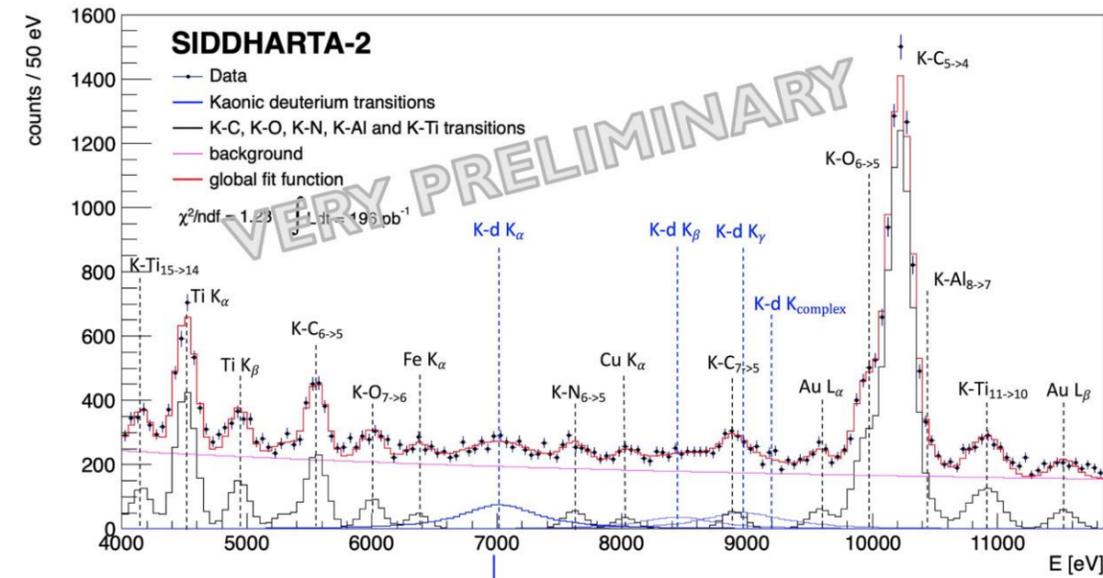
The heavy flavour angle: new frontier beyond simple thermalization
 Required: state-of-the-art detector and analysis techniques \Leftrightarrow **new opportunities!**



SIDDHARTA: X-ray measurement of K-p and K-d



Bazzi, M., et al. *Physics Letters B* 704, (2011): 113–117

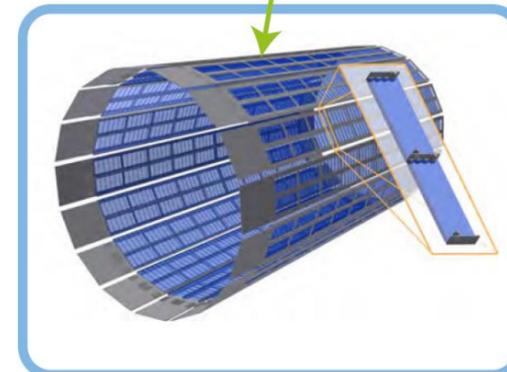
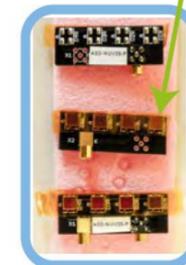
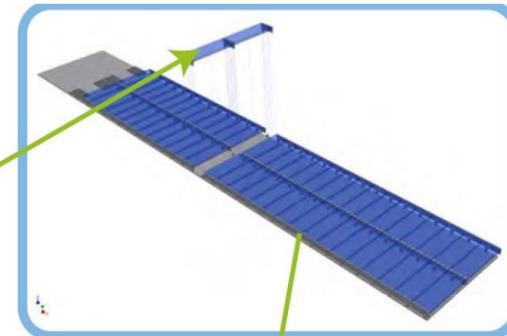
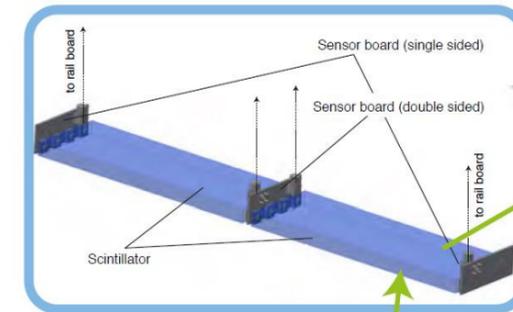
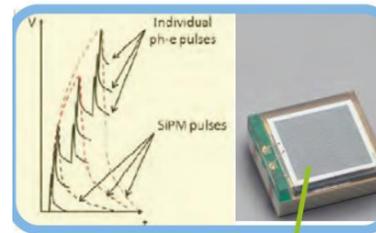
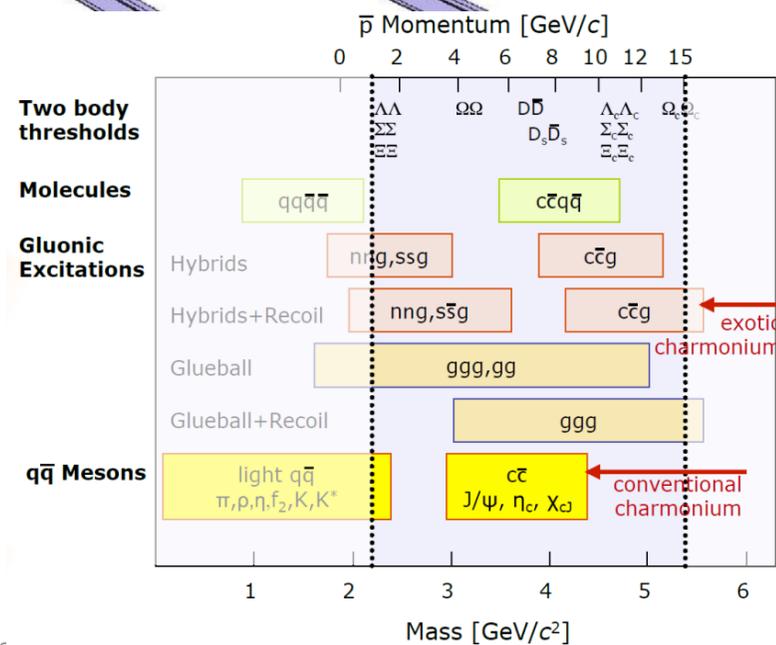
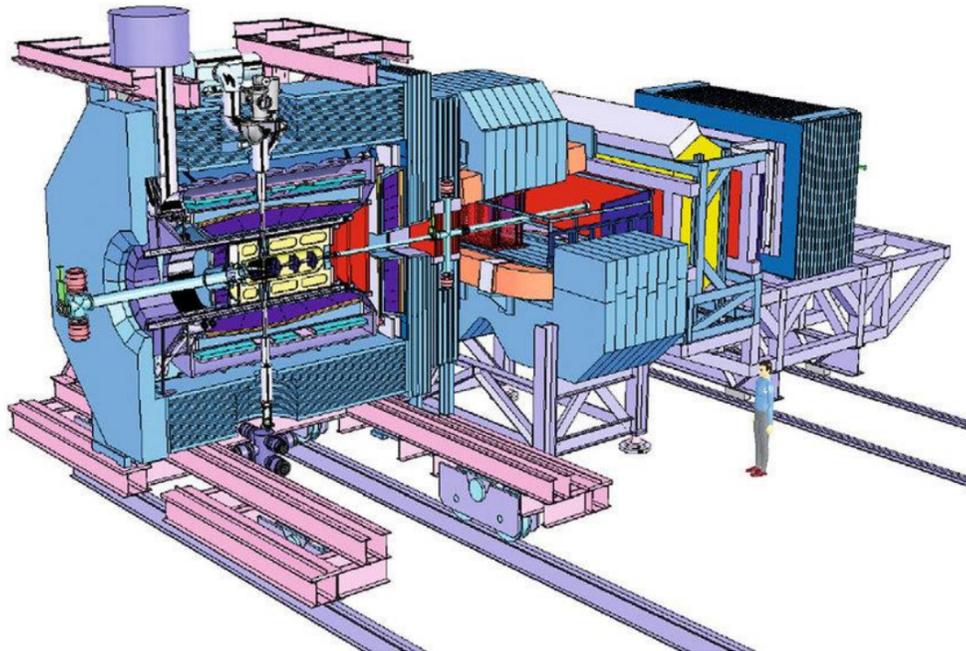


F. Sgaramella, talk at EXA/LEAP2024

PANDA@FAIR: *discontinued at SMI*

Start delayed to 203x

- Barrel TOF detector:
 - Time resolution < 100 ps
 - TDR written at SMI, approved
 - Construction funding pending





EXA and other conferences

after 2021

The collage displays a series of conference posters from the Stefan Meyer Institute for Subatomic Physics (SMI) and the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW). The posters include:

- EXA02 (2002):** International Workshop on Exotic Atoms - Future Perspectives.
- EXA05 (2005):** International Conference on Exotic Atoms and Related Topics.
- LEAP'08 (2008):** IXth International Conference on Low Energy Antiproton Physics.
- SSP 2022 (2022):** 8th International Symposium on Symmetries in Subatomic Physics.
- FFK 2023 (2023):** International Conference on Precision Physics and Fundamental Physical Constants.
- EXA 2011 (2011):** International Conference on Exotic Atoms and Related Topics.
- EXA2014 (2014):** International Conference on Exotic Atoms and Related Topics.
- EXA2017 (2017):** International Conference on Exotic Atoms and Related Topics.
- EXA2020 (2020):** International Conference on Exotic Atoms and Related Topics (online).
- EXA/LEAP 2024 (2024):** International Conference on Exotic Atoms and Related Topics and Conference on Low Energy Antiprotons.
- VCES'22 (2022):** 16th Vienna Central European Seminar on Particle Physics and Quantum Field Theory.
- FuPhy 2024 (2024):** Future Nuclear and Hadronic Physics at the CERN-AD.

2021 (online)

Staff members 2004 and 2024



What's next

- ASACUSA

- 1st sign of antihydrogen beam
- Rabi hyperfine spectroscopy
- Ramsey hyperfine spectroscopy
- New beam creation schemes

- GRASIAN

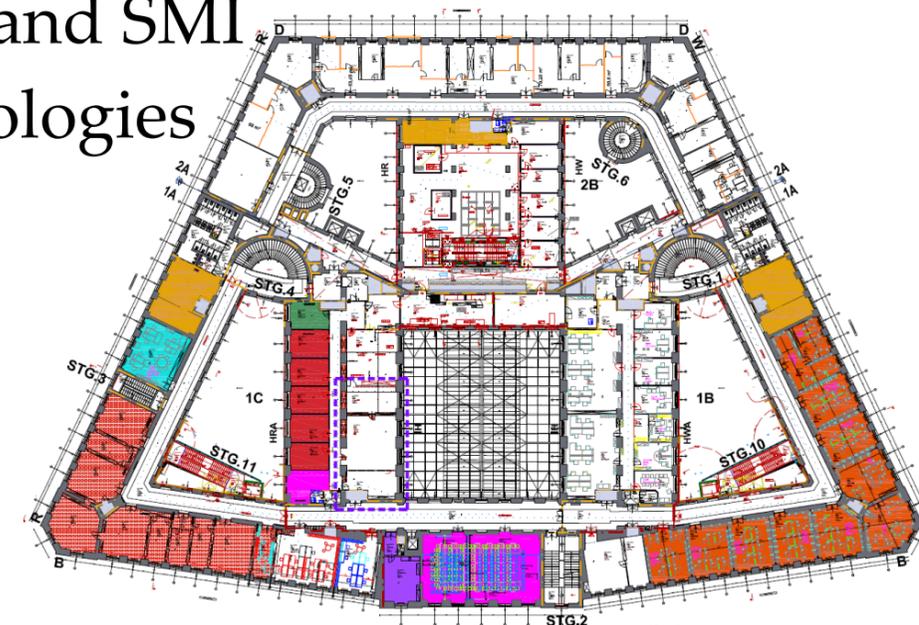
- First experiments with slow beam imminent
- Towards ultra-cold hydrogen ($v < 1$ m/s)
- Precision spectroscopy and gravity
- Application to antihydrogen

- ALICE

- Current experiment runs until LS4
- Upgrade to ALICE-3

- Institutional

- Fusion of HEPHY and SMI
- Synergies in technologies and physics



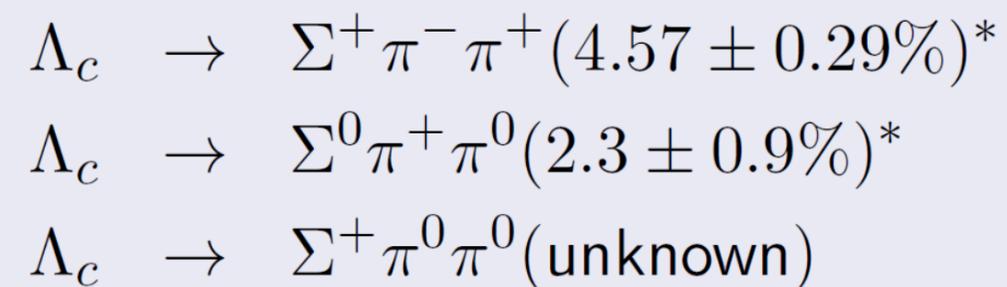


Spare

Hadron Physics at Belle

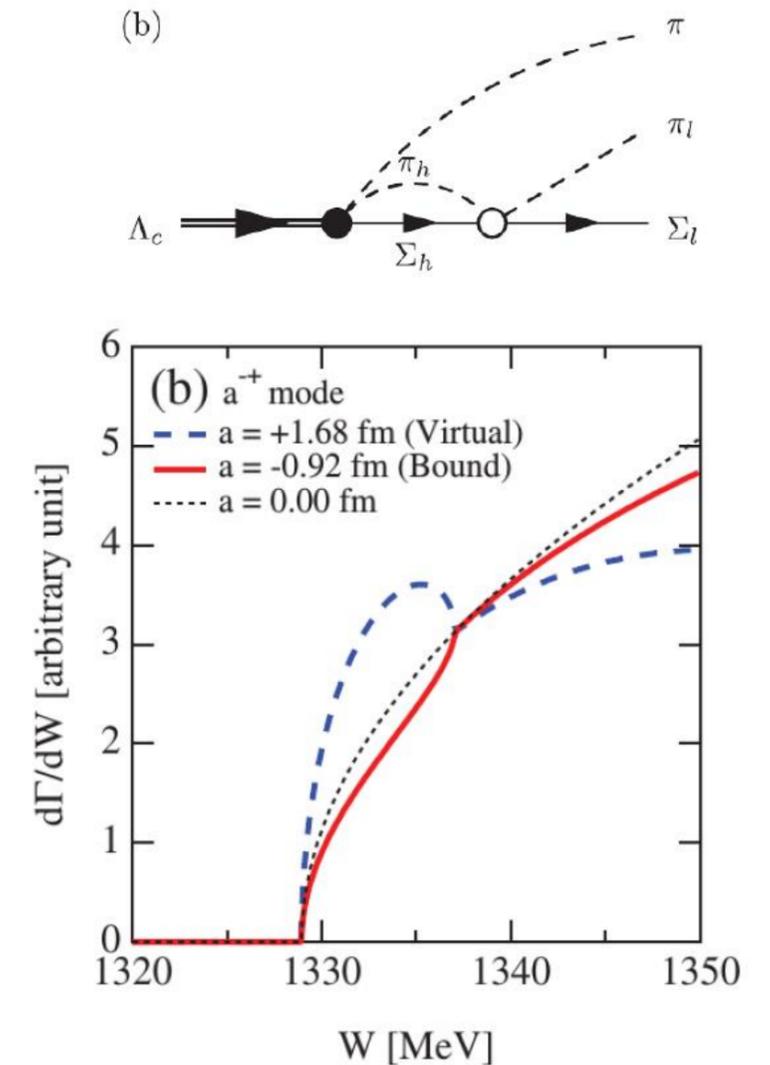
- $\Sigma\pi$ scattering lengths based on "Cabibbo's method"
- Measure the $\mathcal{B}(\Sigma\pi\pi)$ relative to $pK^-\pi^+$
- Study intermediate resonances.

Visible decay modes at Belle:



- Goal: $\Sigma\pi$ scattering length
- 1st step: determination of $B(\Sigma\pi\pi)$

M. Berger et al. arXiv:1802.03421
(submitted to PRD)

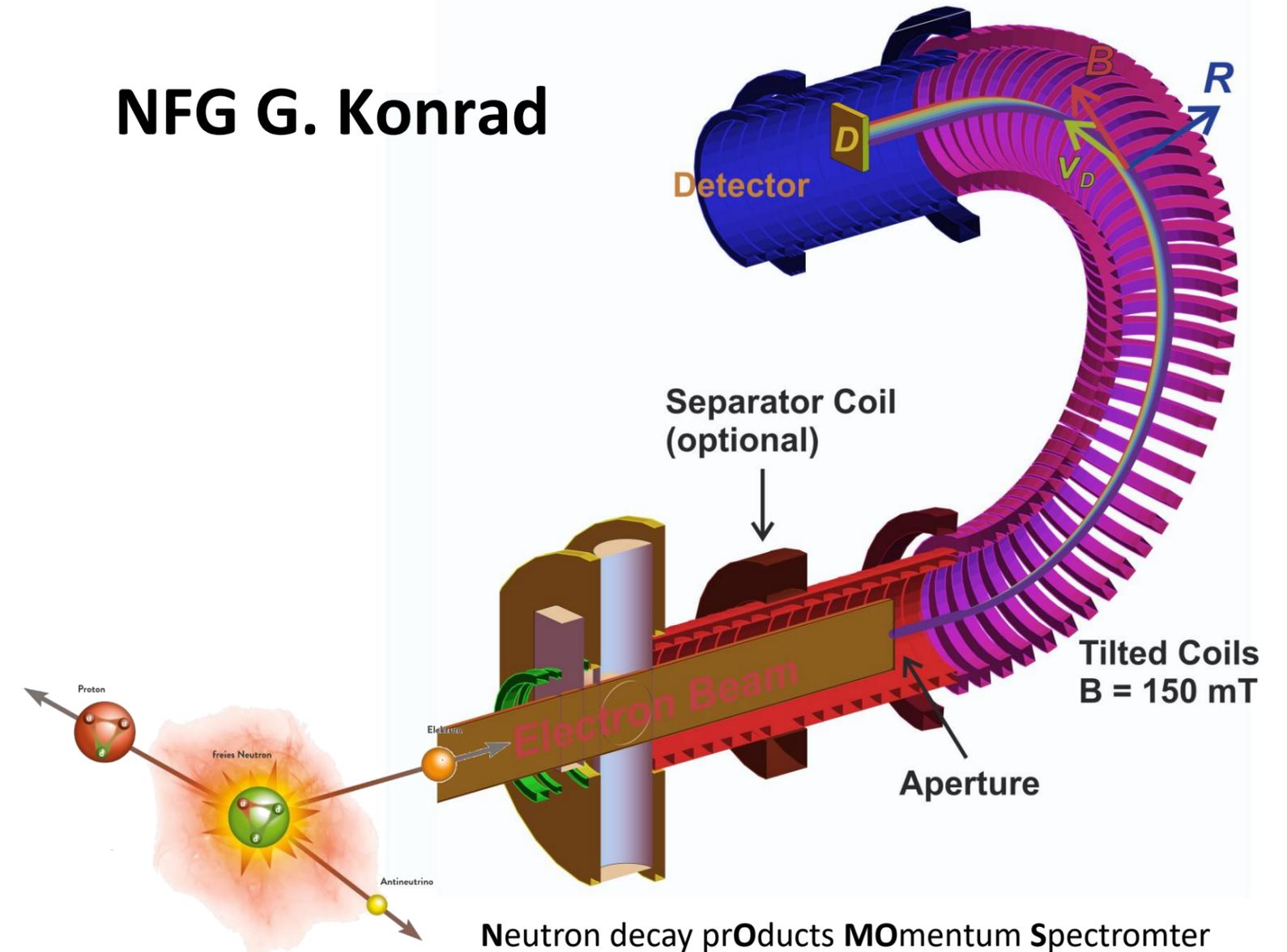


K. Miyahara, T. Hyodo, E. Oset, Phys. Rev. C. 92, 055204 (2015)

NoMoS – Beyond the Standard Model in Neutron Decay (FRM-II/ILL)

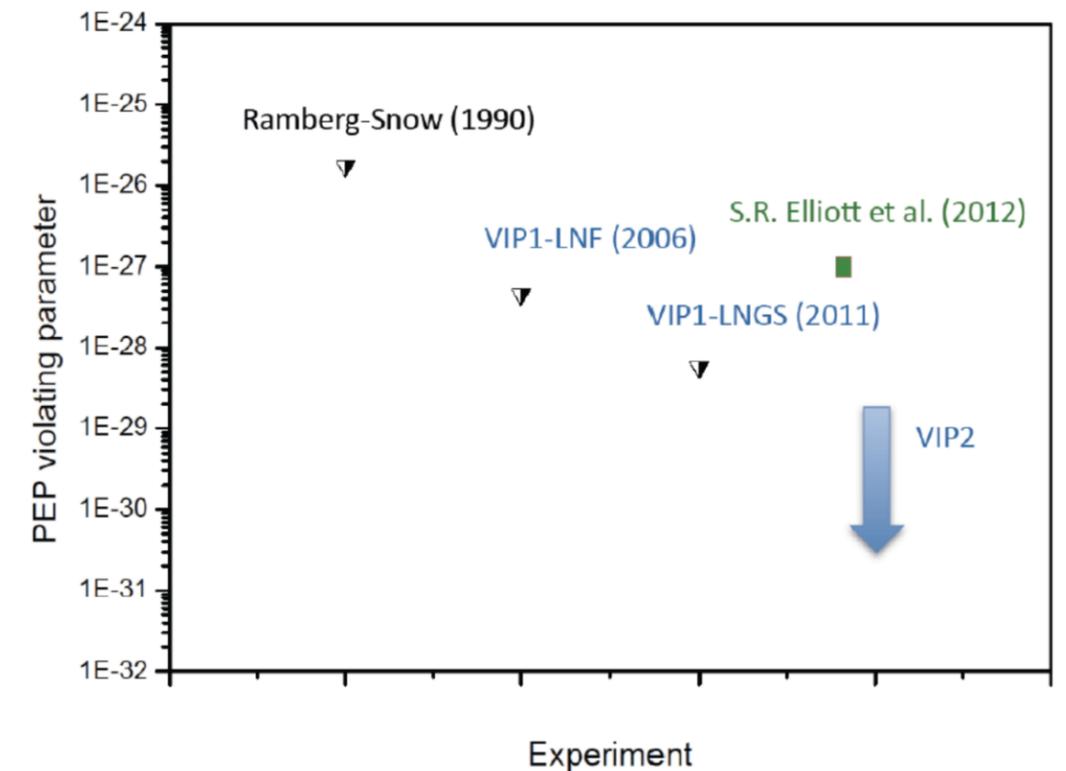
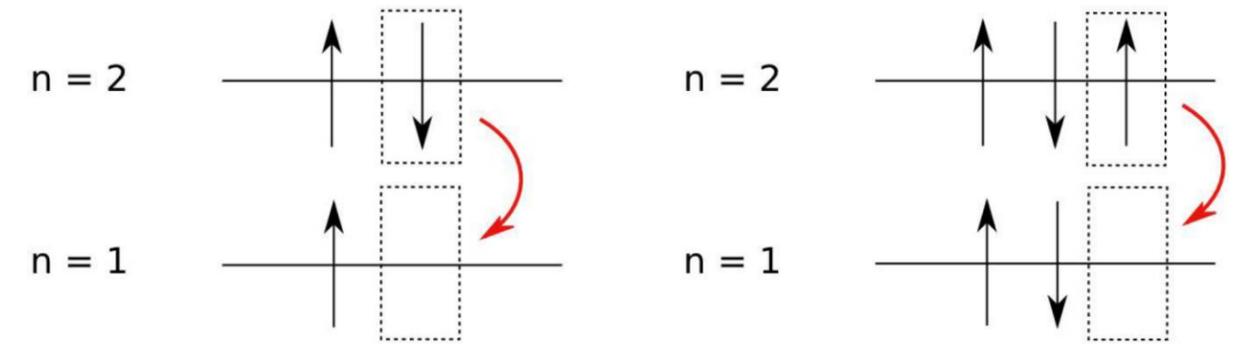
- Comprehensive physics programme:
 - Study structure of weak interaction
 - Test unitarity of CKM matrix
 - Search for new physics beyond Standard Model
 - Test Lorentz invariance
- Goal:
 - Electron and proton spectroscopy on 10^{-4} - respectively 10^{-3} -level
- Further activities:
 - aSPECT experiment @ ILL Grenoble
 - PERKEO III-C experiment @ ILL Grenoble
 - New PERC facility @ FRM II Munich (under construction)
 - Proposed ANNI instrument @ ESS Lund (resubmission planned)

NFG G. Konrad



VIP – VIolation of thr Pauli principle (LNGS)

- Tests the Pauli Exclusion Principle (PEP) and thereby the Spin-Statistics connection
- PEP governs the behaviour of fermions
- Search for atomic states in copper, which violate PEP
 - These states are not completely antisymmetric, but have a symmetric admixture with respect to the exchange of two particles
- The states can be identified by PEP-forbidden transitions, which have a slightly different energy than normal transitions
- Photons from these transitions are recorded by Silicon Drift Detectors
- The VIP2 experiment will lower the upper limit on the probability that the PEP is violated by two orders of magnitude





Highlights

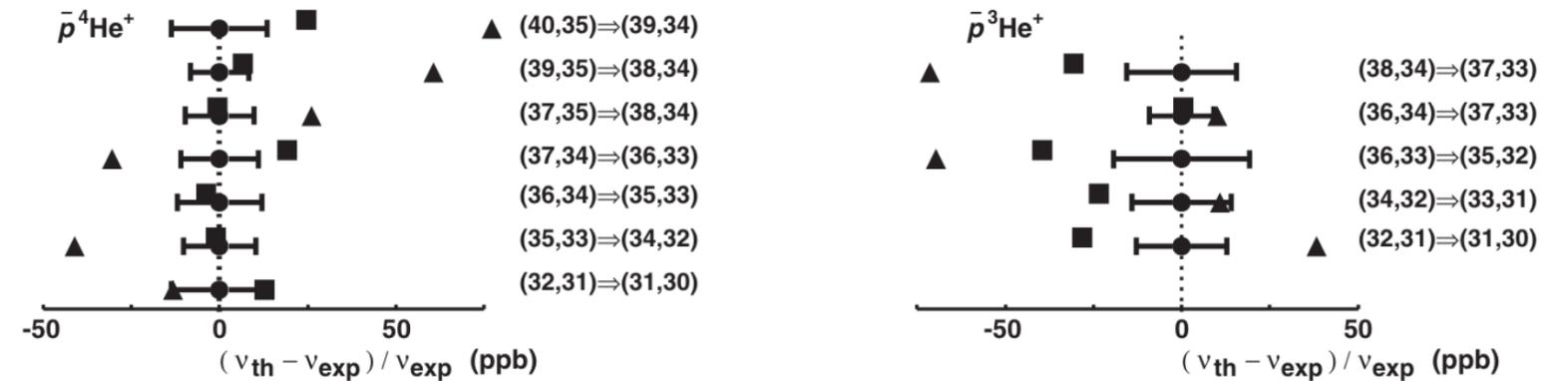
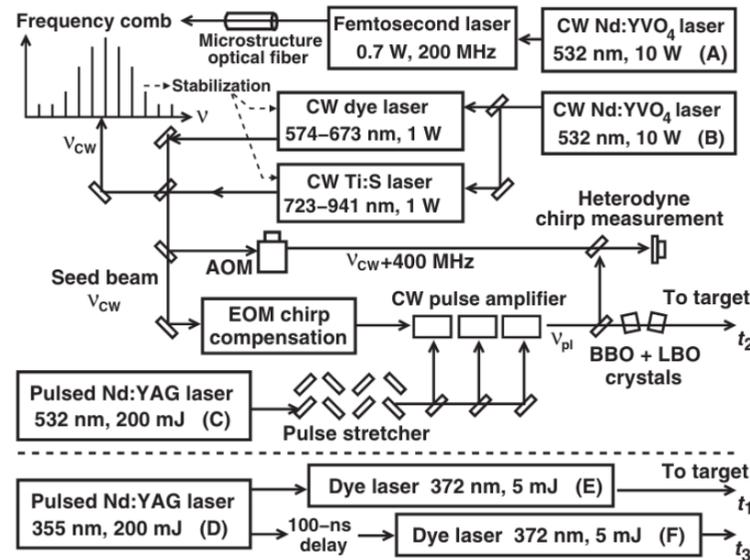
- 2012: ERC AdG HbarHFS for ASACUSA
- 2015: 2 NFG Groups: ALICE, NoMos
 - One became a permanent topic of SMI



Time lines

- 2004 – 2011
 - ASACUSA: antiprotonic helium spectroscopy
 - SIDDHATA: K^-p
- After
 - ASACUSA: antihydrogen
 - SIDDHARTA-2
- 2015 –
 - ALICE
 - NoMoS till 2020
- 2004 – 2018
 - PANDA, BELLE, FLAIR
 - AEgIS

ASACUSA: antiprotonic He laser spectroscopy



PRL 96, 243401 (2006)

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

week ending
23 JUNE 2006

$$\frac{m_{\bar{p}} - m_p}{m_p} = \frac{q_{\bar{p}} - q_p}{q_p} < 2 \times 10^{-9}$$

Current level (2016): 5×10^{-10}

Determination of the Antiproton-to-Electron Mass Ratio by Precision Laser Spectroscopy of $\bar{p}\text{He}^+$

M. Hori,^{1,2} A. Dax,² J. Eades,² K. Gomikawa,² R. S. Hayano,² N. Ono,² W. Pirkl,² E. Widmann,³ H. A. Torii,⁴
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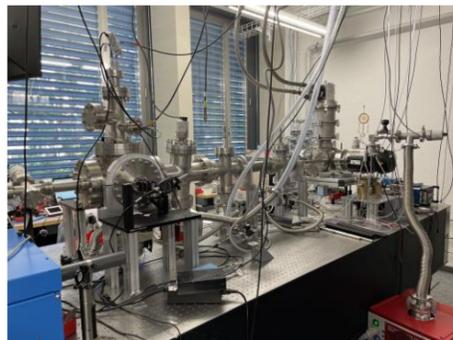


Narrative

- History
 - Umbenennung
 - IMEP: SIDDHARTA, PANDA, piH
 - New: ASACUSA, KNN, FLAIR
 - Later more ...
 - J-PARC, FOPI, AEgIS, NoMoS, Hydra, GRASIAN,
- Physics
 - Start: exotic atoms - > slide
 - Fundamental symmetries: $p\bar{p}$ He, Hbar, Hydra, GRASIAN
 - Strong interaction πp , Kp, Kd
 - Later: higher energy strong interaction
 - J-PARC, PANDA@FAIR, ALICE
- Define phases?
 - Exotic atoms
 - Exotic nuclear matter
 - Stop of PANDA
 - ERC grant for ASACUSA: move to Hbar
 - H, D beams
 - Positron lab
 - GRASIAN
- Highlights
 - 2012 ERC AdG EW
 - 2015 2 NFGs, 1 remained

Experimental infrastructure

- Activities at partner institution
 - H beam at ETH Zürich



- Local activities at PSK

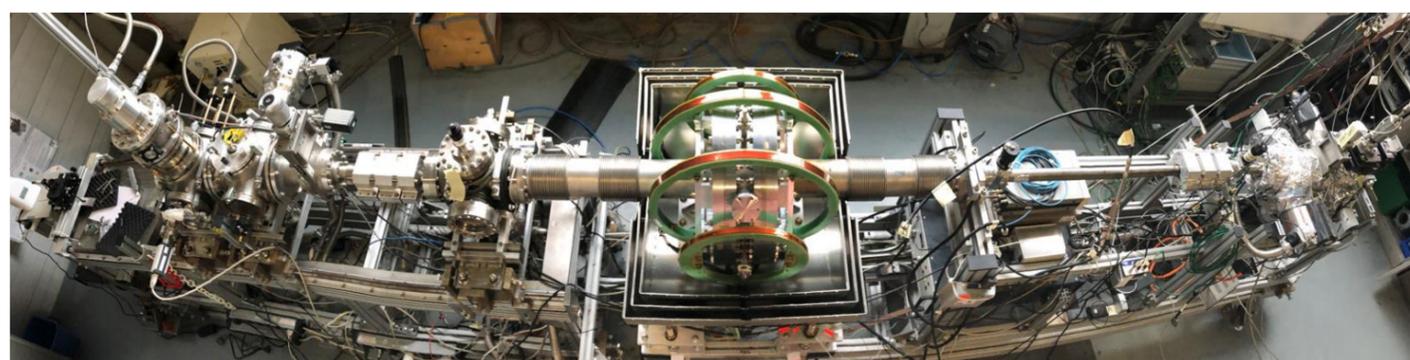
Detector lab TP



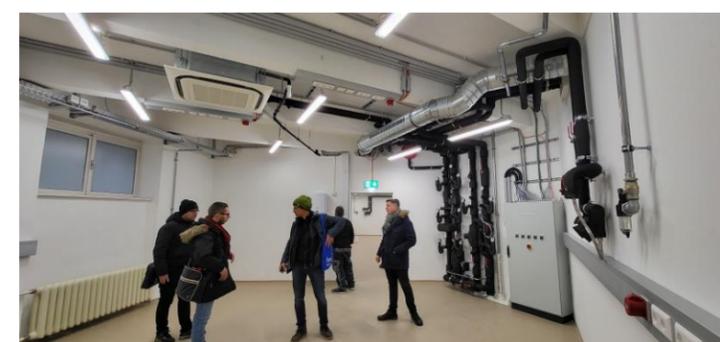
Laser lab TP



- D beam at LAC Paris-Saclay



Positron lab Kegelgasse -> PSK



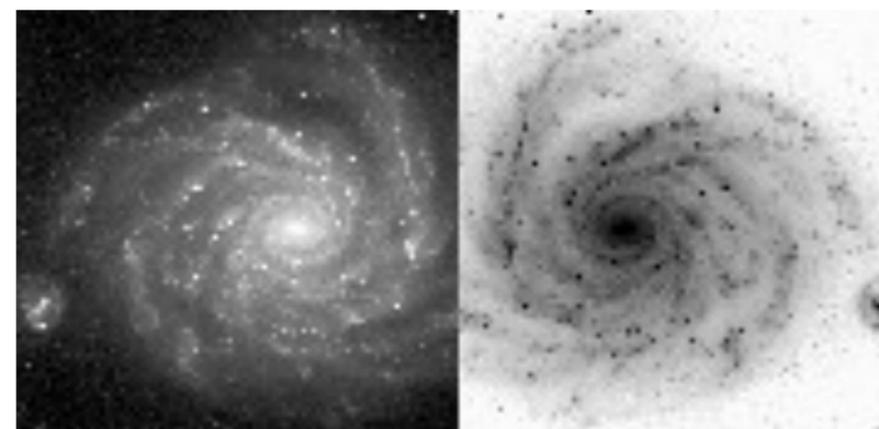
Cryolab with HEPHY OK



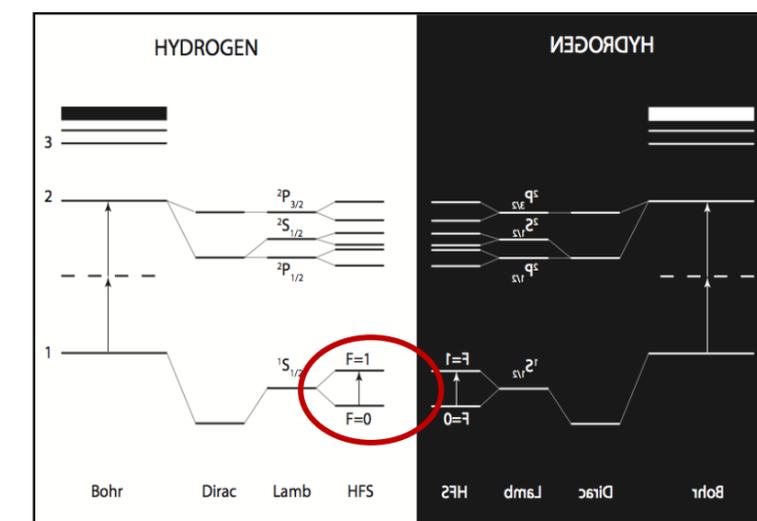
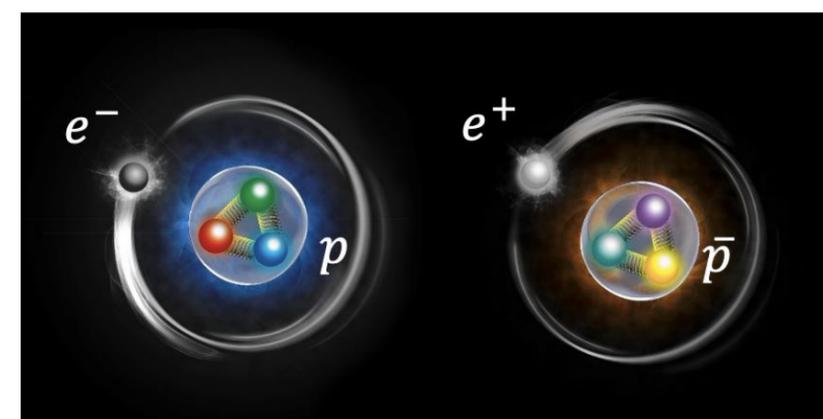
Laser lab OK

Matter-antimatter symmetry

- **Baryon Asymmetry** in the observable universe: almost everything we see is matter. Where did all the antimatter go?
- **Standard Model:** CPT and Lorentz symmetry
- **Antihydrogen:** H is one of the best measured matter systems



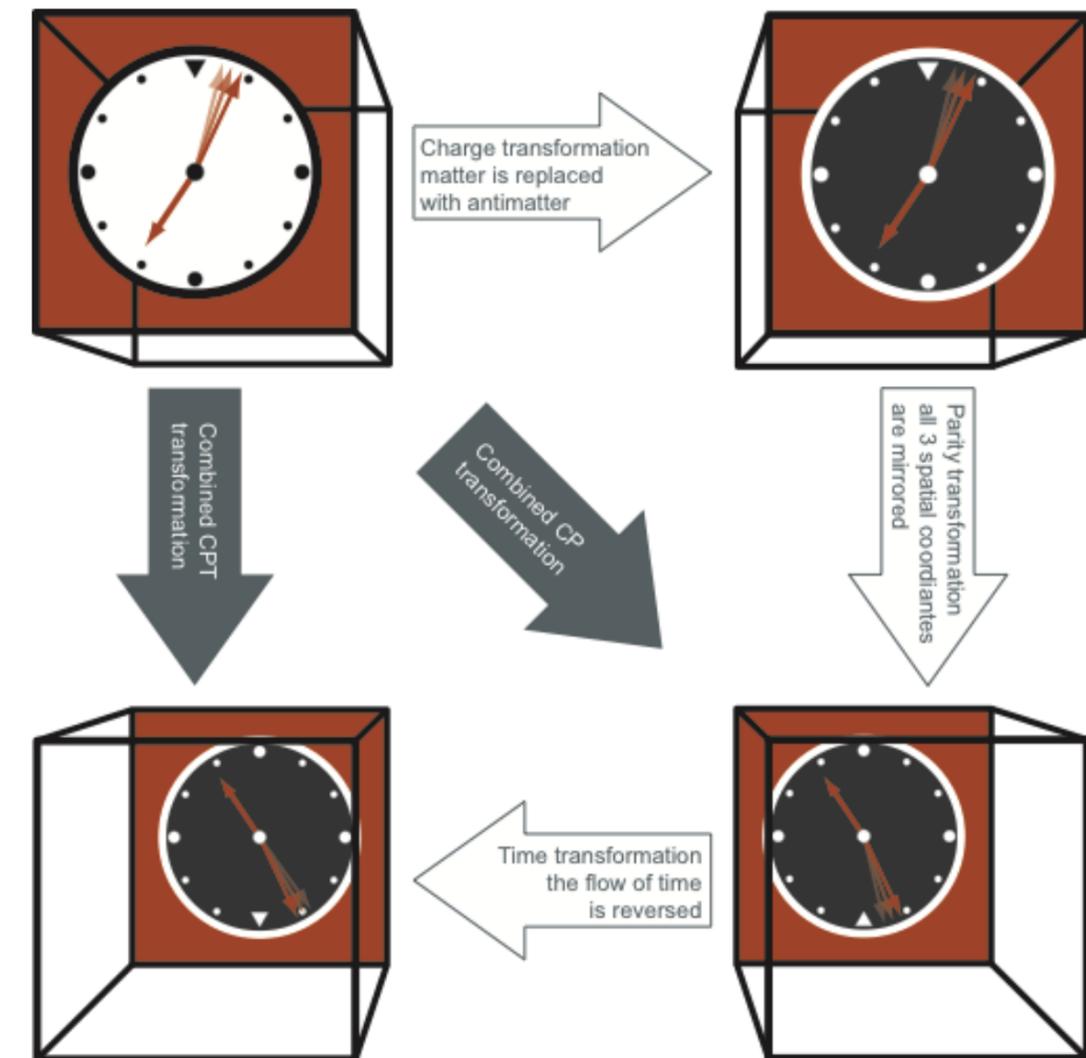
$$\eta = \frac{n_b - n_{\bar{b}}}{n_\gamma} \sim 6.1 \times 10^{-10}$$



$$\frac{\Delta\nu_{HF}}{\nu_{HF}} < 10^{-12}$$

Fundamental symmetries C, P, T

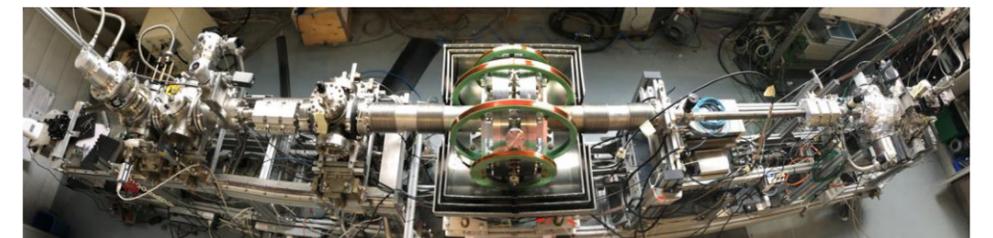
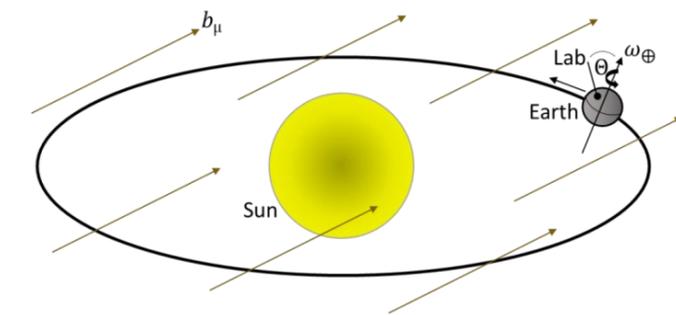
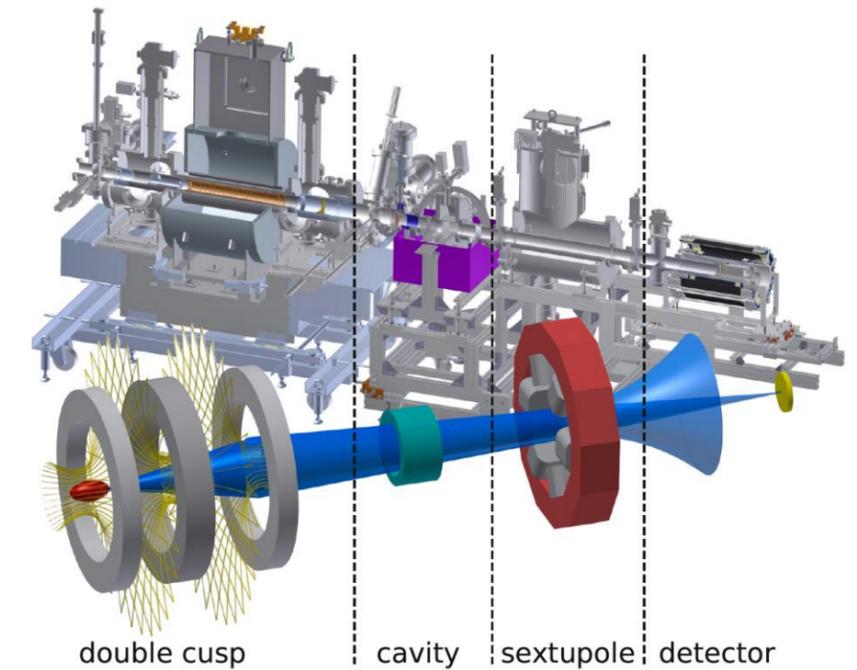
- **C**: charge conjugation particle - antiparticle
- **P**: parity: spatial mirror
- **T**: time reversal
- **CPT theorem**: consequence of
 - Lorentz-invariance
 - local interactions
 - unitarity
 - Lüders, Pauli, Bell, Jost 1955
- all QFT of SM obey CPT
- not necessarily true for string theory: CPT tests are sensitive tests of BSM physics



CPT → particle/antiparticle: same masses, lifetimes, g-factors, |charge|, ...

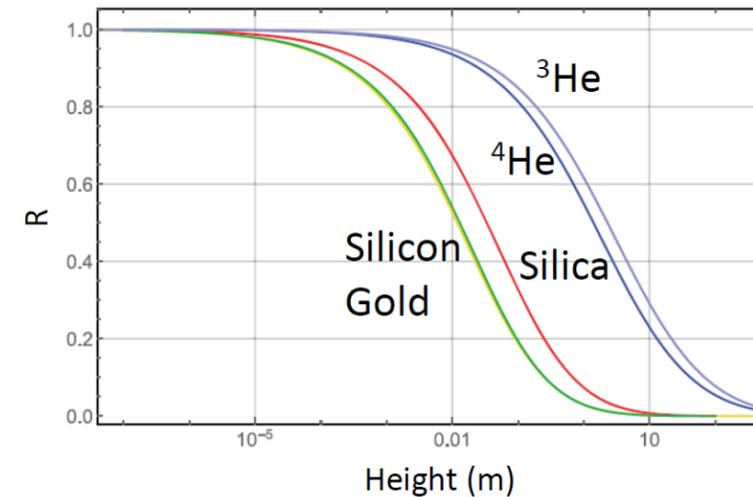
ASACUSA@CERN-AD

- Test of CPT and Lorentz invariance
- Antihydrogen hyperfine structure measurement in a beam
 - No stray fields: highest precision
- \bar{H} production greatly improved, beam production, rate and quantum state needs improvement
- e^+ conditions essential, recent progress
- H-HFS done with same apparatus with 2.7 ppb accuracy
- 1st goal for \bar{H} : ppm measurement
- Continuation of H,D beam spectroscopy
 - Standard Model Extension (SME)

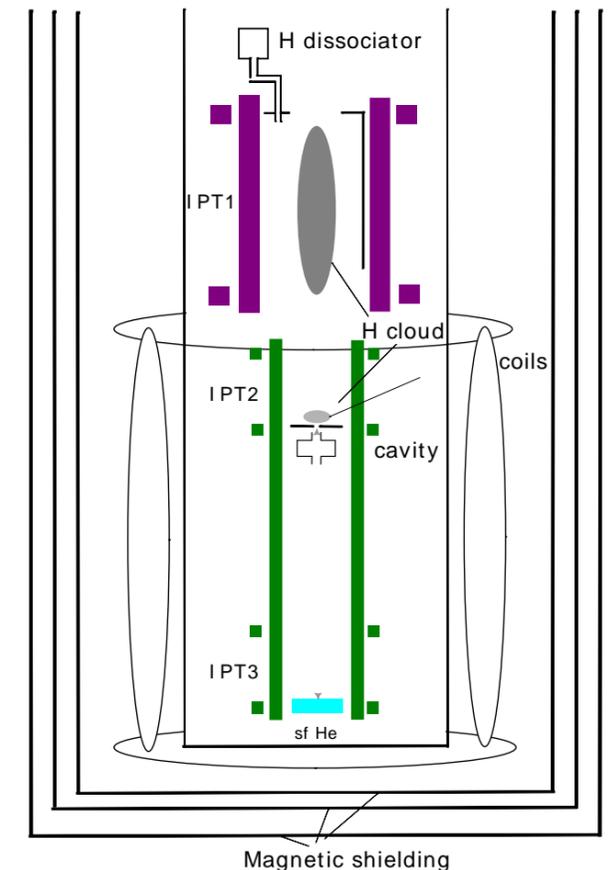
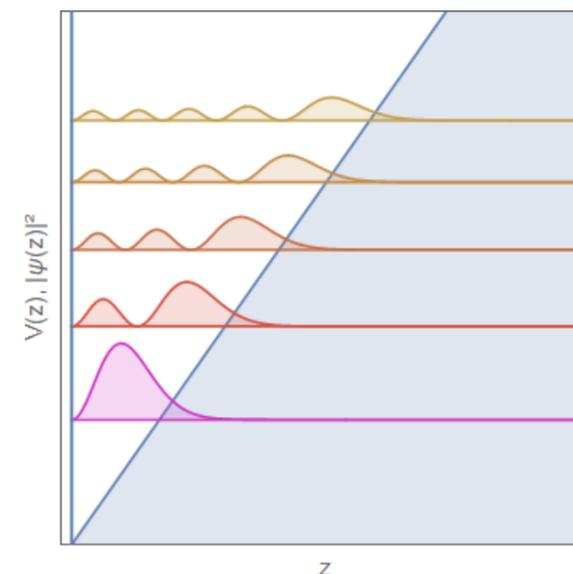


GRASIAN *GRA*vity, *SP*ectroscopy and *INT*erferometry with ultra-cold *AT*oms and *NE*utrons

- Quest for coldest hydrogen source
 - Longer interaction time → higher precision in laser or microwave spectroscopy
 - Lowest energies: gravitational quantum states (analogy neutrons): $v \sim \text{cm/s}$
 - Quantum reflection from van der Waals/Casimir-Polder potential
 - Highest reflectivity: superfluid He
 - Bouncing H: Ramsey hyperfine spectroscopy, 1s-2s laser spectroscopy
 - Also possible for antihydrogen
 - Other applications: short-range forces

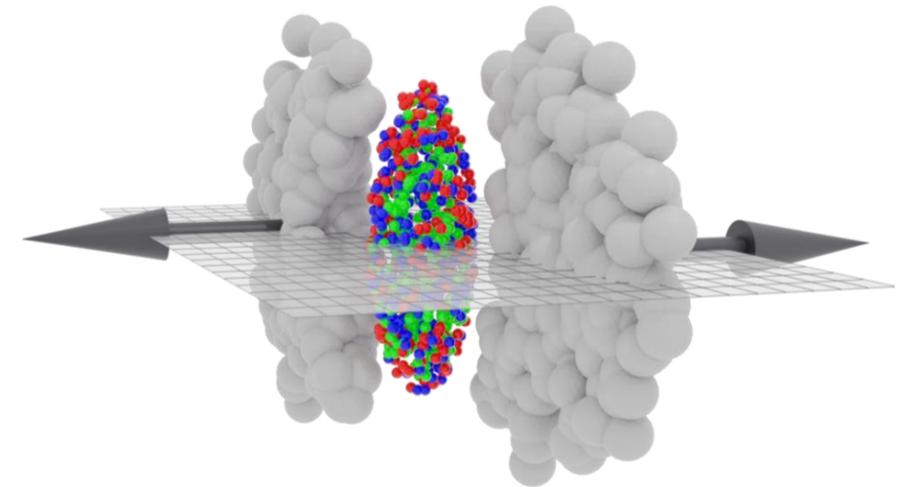
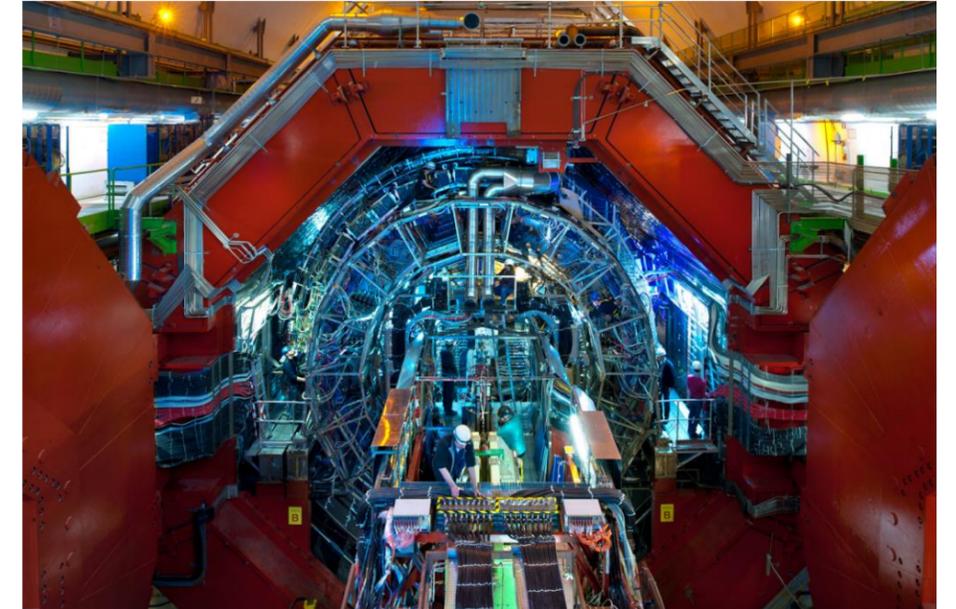


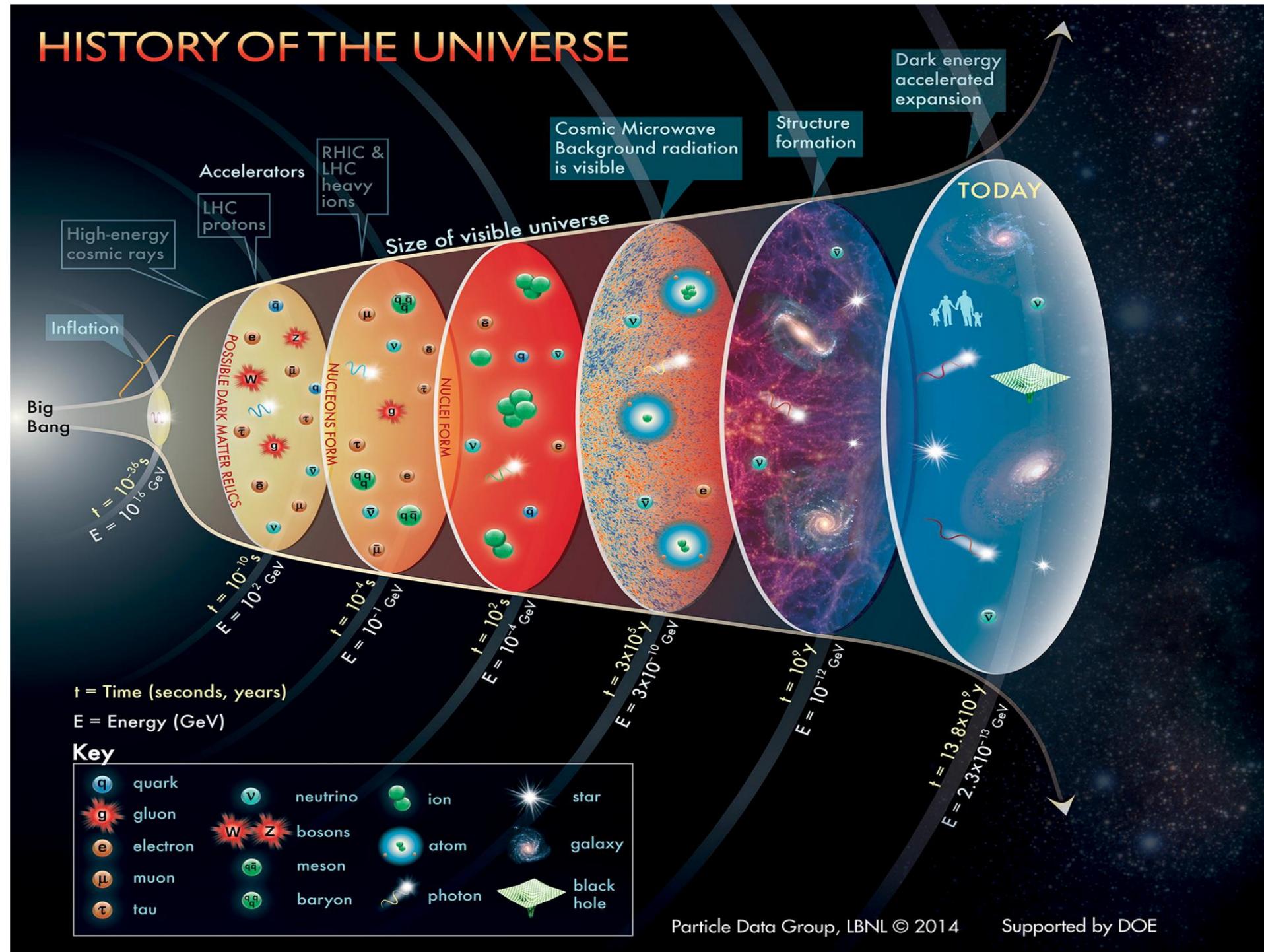
Crépin, P. P. *et al.* *EPL* **119**, 3301–3301 (2017).



ALICE@CERN-LHC

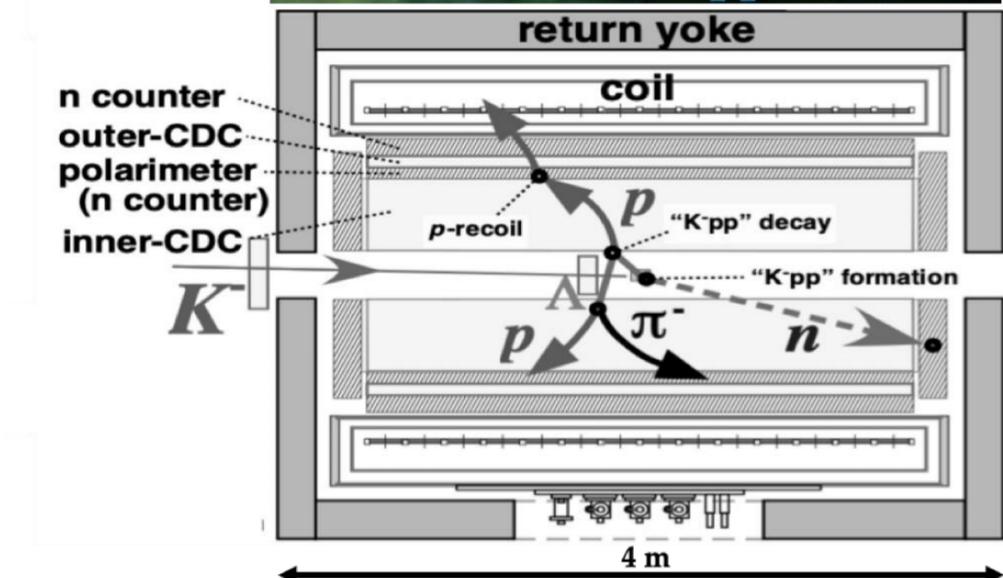
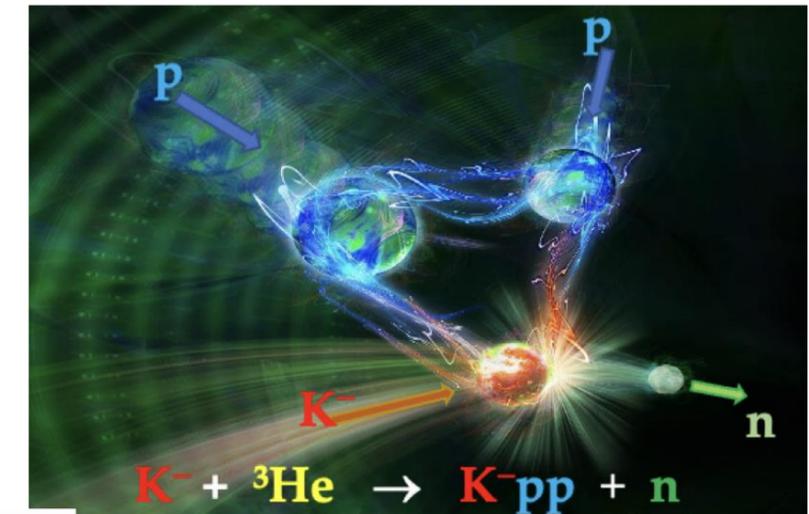
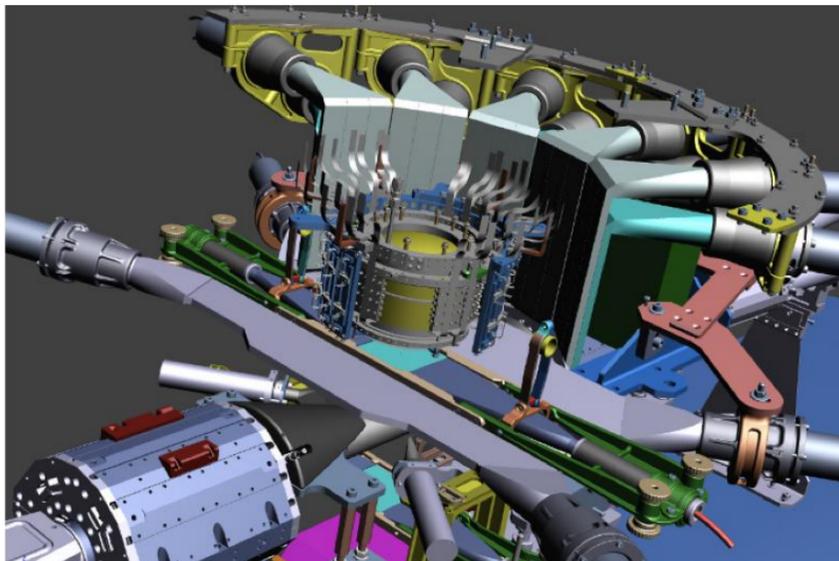
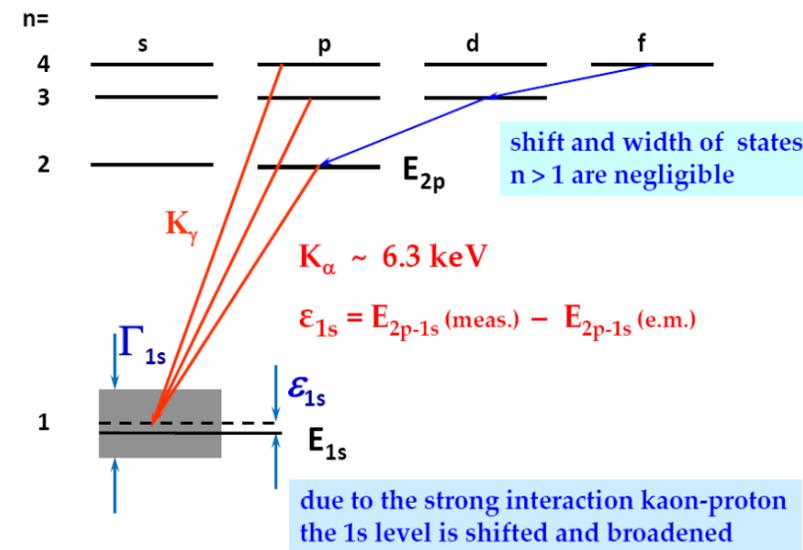
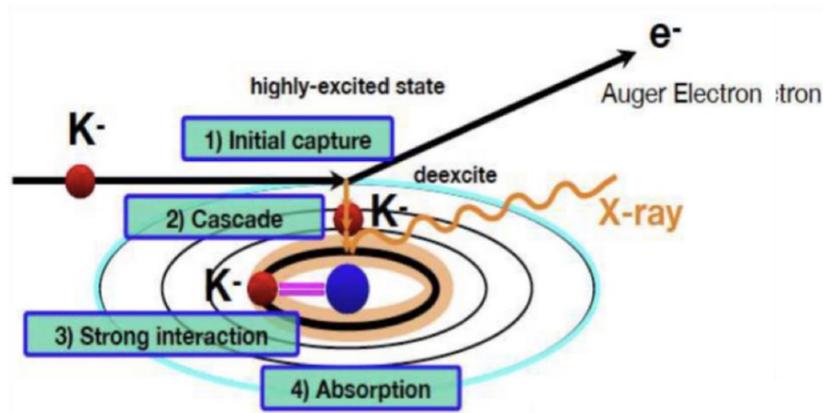
- **High-density QCD matter studies** using the large hadron collider (LHC)
 - Do we understand the strongest force in the universe and how it confines quarks and gluons?
 - Under which conditions do we recover a primordial soup such as the one created in the big bang?
- **ALICE@SMI expertise:**
 - **Identified particle production measurements** from light to heavy flavour hadrons allow to understand system evolution and hadronisation
 - **Ultrapерipheral collisions** literally shine light inside protons and lead nuclei and allow for direct studies of nuclear inner structures of gluons at energies never seen before, testing nuclear PDFs, perturbative QCD and Beyond Standard Model theories.





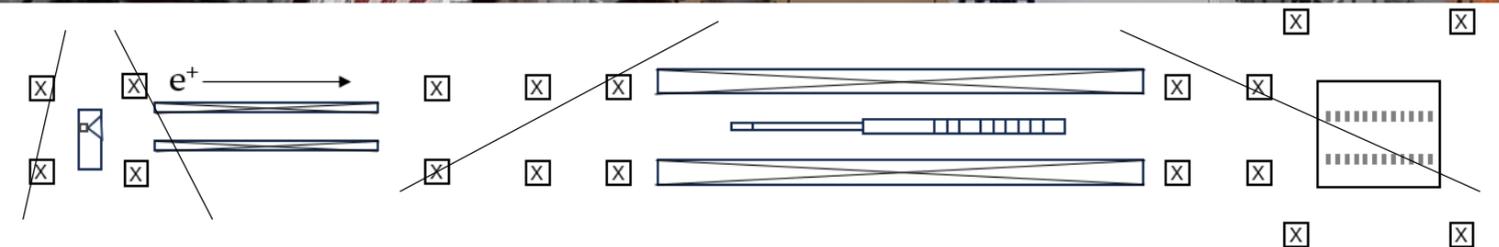
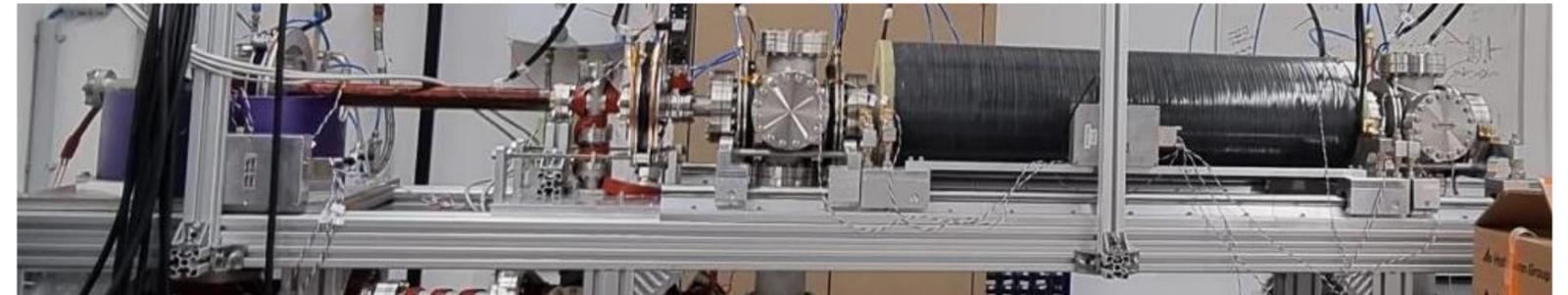
Exotic kaonic bound states: strong interaction

- Kaonic atom: X-ray spectroscopy
- Kaonic nuclear bound states



Positron Lab at SMI Kegelgasse (*until May/June*)

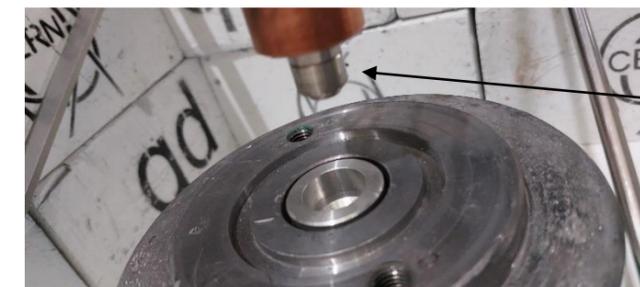
- A new Ne moderated positron beam and buffer gas trap apparatus have been constructed at SMI
- We will soon be producing positron bunches with thermal energy spreads
- The first planned experiments will measure the binding energy of molecular states involving positronium atoms (e.g. PsH, PsOH)
- For this measurement an ion spectrometer is currently under final simulation and will be constructed soon.



Moderator cone



Trap stack



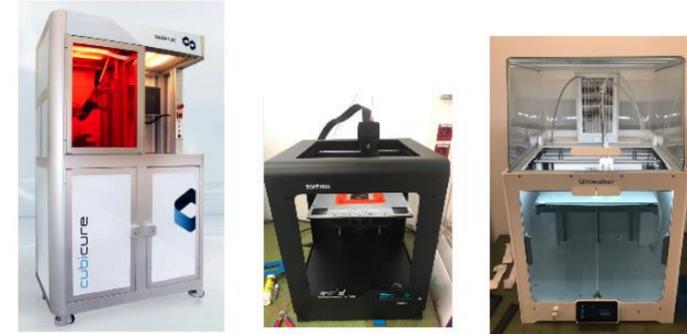
Sodium-22
Source

Advanced Instrumentation

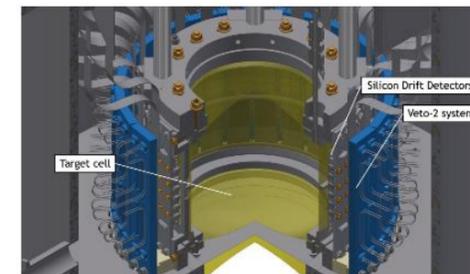
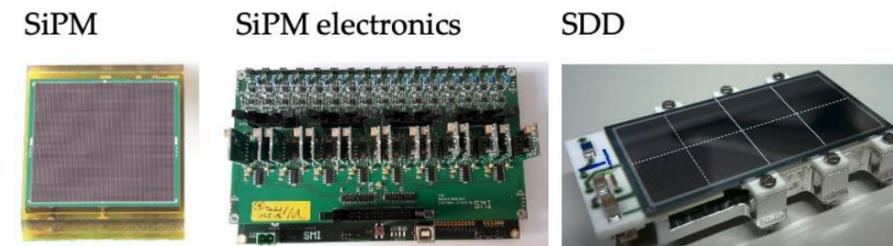
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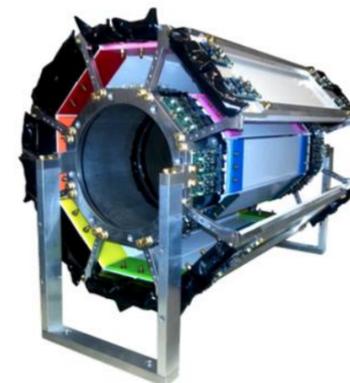
Additive manufacturing



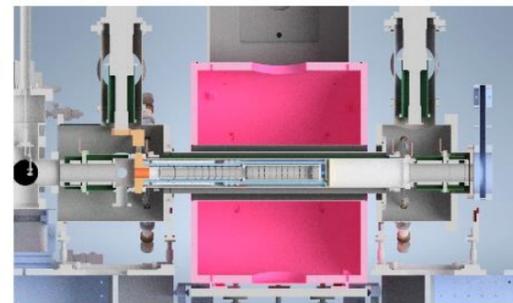
Detectors and experimental setups



SIDDHARTA-2



Hodoscope



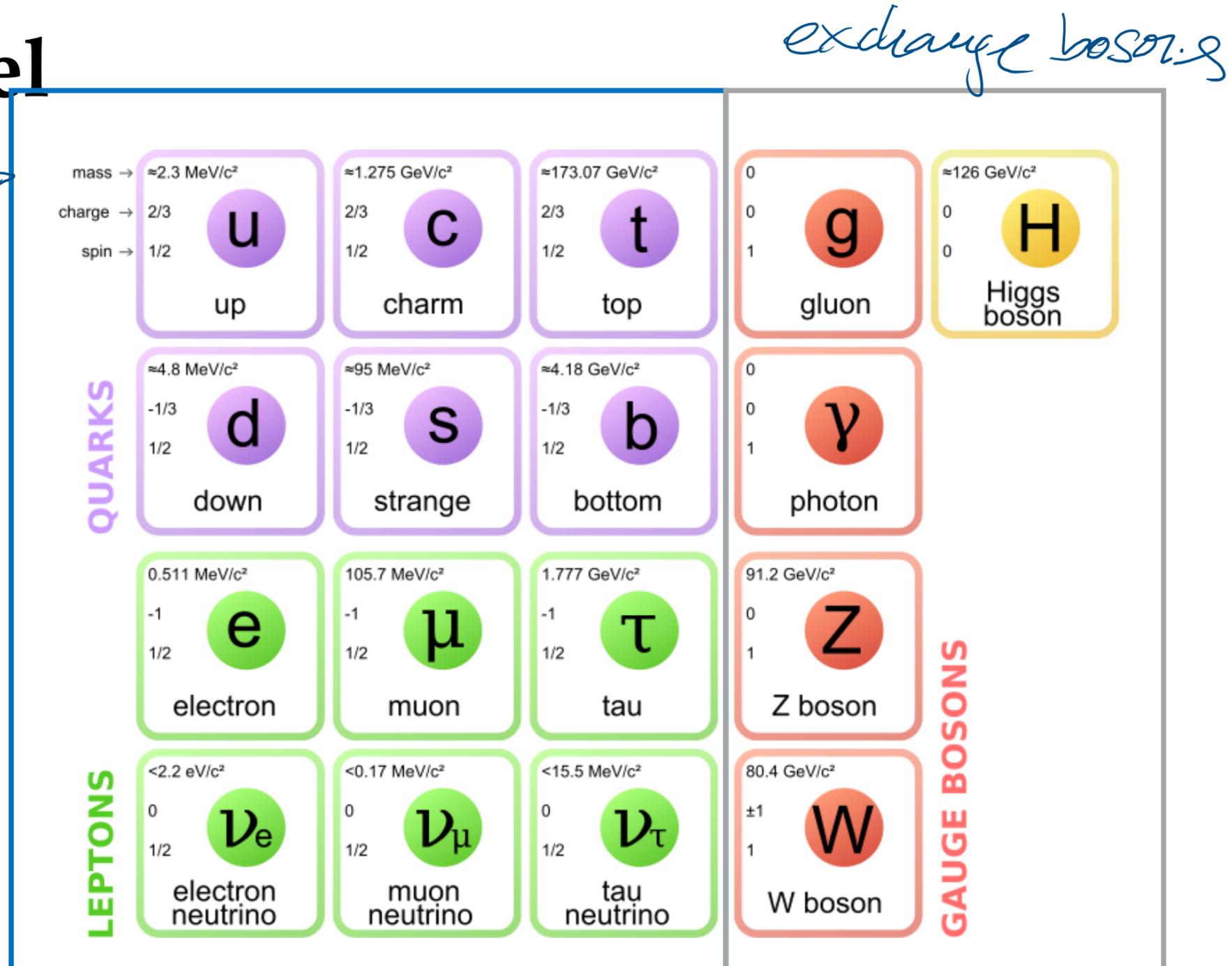
ASACUSA cold bore



ASACUSA Penning trap

1.3 The standard model

- fundamental fermions
- Leptons
 - e: stable
 - μ : $2.2 \mu\text{s}$
 - τ : $2.9 \times 10^{-13}\text{s}$
 - ν : $m=0$ (not true!)
- quarks
 - fractional charges
 - 3 colors
 - no free quarks
 - p: uud, n: ddu
- universe: e, u, d



Antimatter

- Matter definition

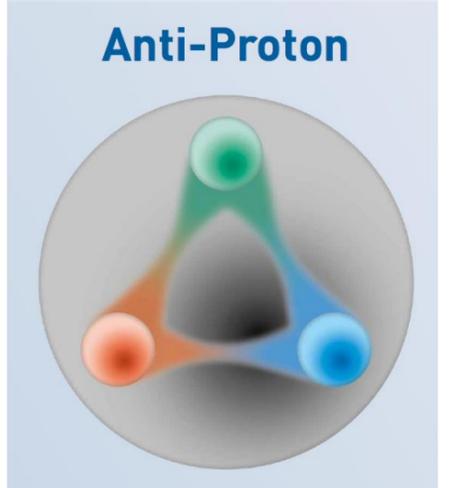
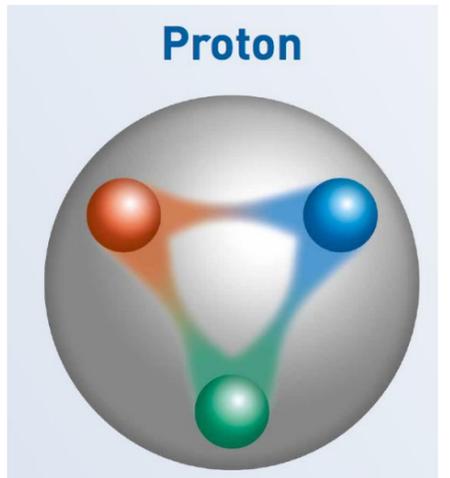
- Positive hadron

- Negative lepton

- For this lecture:

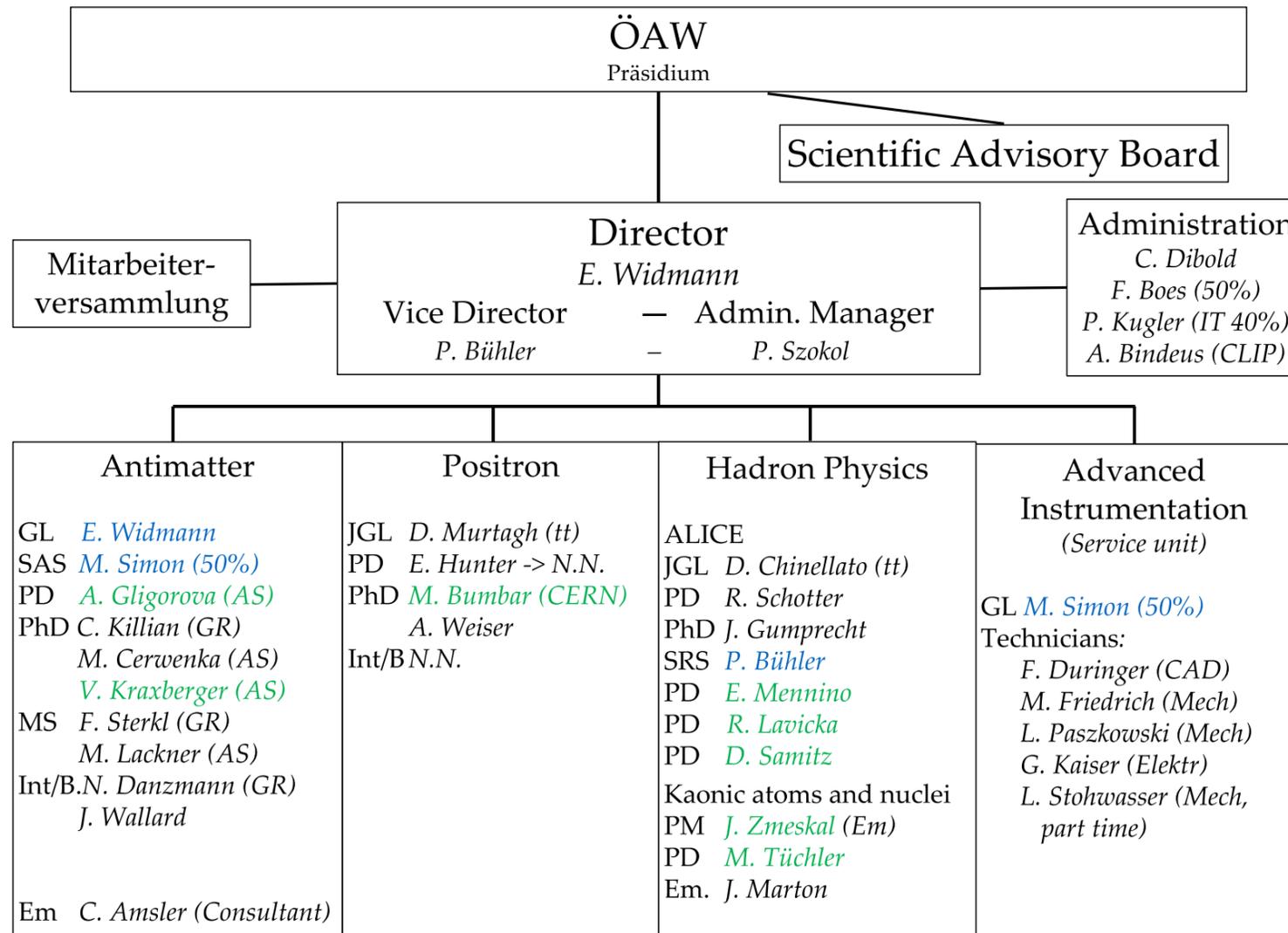
- **Neutral** antimatter

t top	c charm	u up	Quarks	u up	c charm	t top
d down	s strange	b bottom		d down	s strange	b bottom
ν_e e neutrino	ν_μ μ neutrino	ν_τ τ neutrino	Leptons	e electron	μ muon	τ tau
e electron	μ muon	τ tau				





SMI structure and staff



AS: ASACUSA, GR: GRASIAN, tt: tenure track

Scientists permanent / third-party funded

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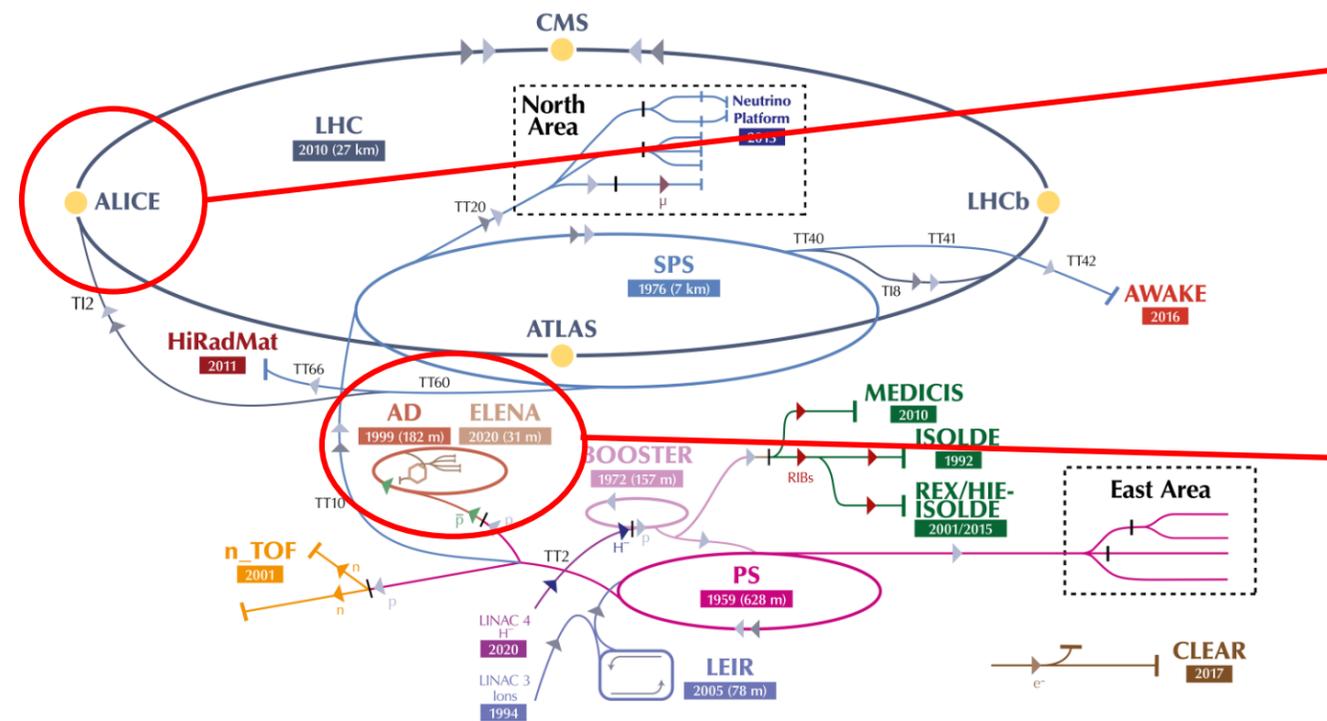
Senior scientists/GL	3	3 permanent, EW → EoS
JGL (<i>tenure track</i>)	2	Positron group, ALICE
Postdoc	7	1 JG positron (open), 1 JG ALICE, 5 FWF
Ph.D. students	7	5 intern (2 finishing 2024), 1 FWF, 1 CERN
M.Sc. Students	2	Number fluctuates, from both Uni & TU Wien
B.Sc. Students and interns	3	Number fluctuates
Administration	2.5 FTE	
IT support	1.4 FTE	1 first level, 1 CLIP
Technicians	4	2 mechanical, 1 electronics engineer, 1 drafts(wo)man
Emeriti, Consultants	3	1 PI FWF grant (JZ)

25 FTE without undergrad students, emeriti

As of Feb 2024

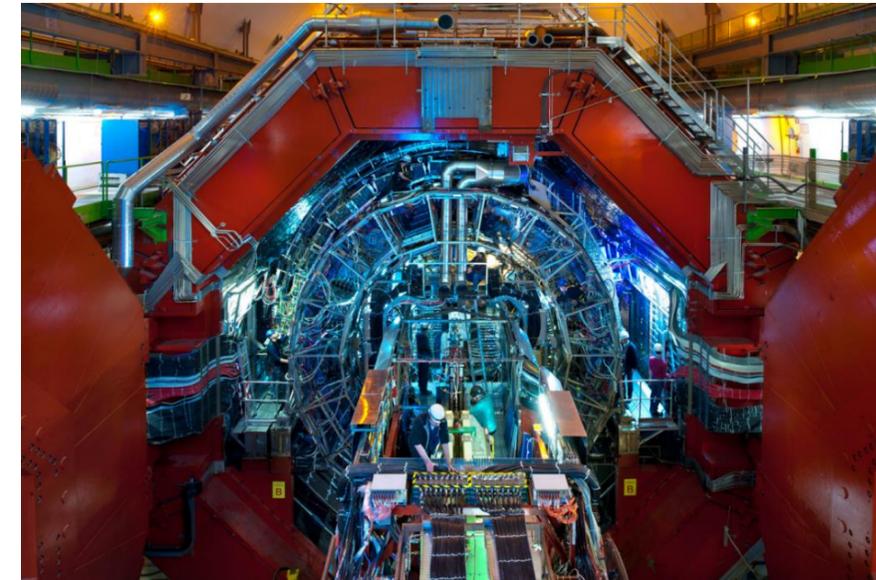
Infrastructures: CERN

The CERN accelerator complex
Complexe des accélérateurs du CERN

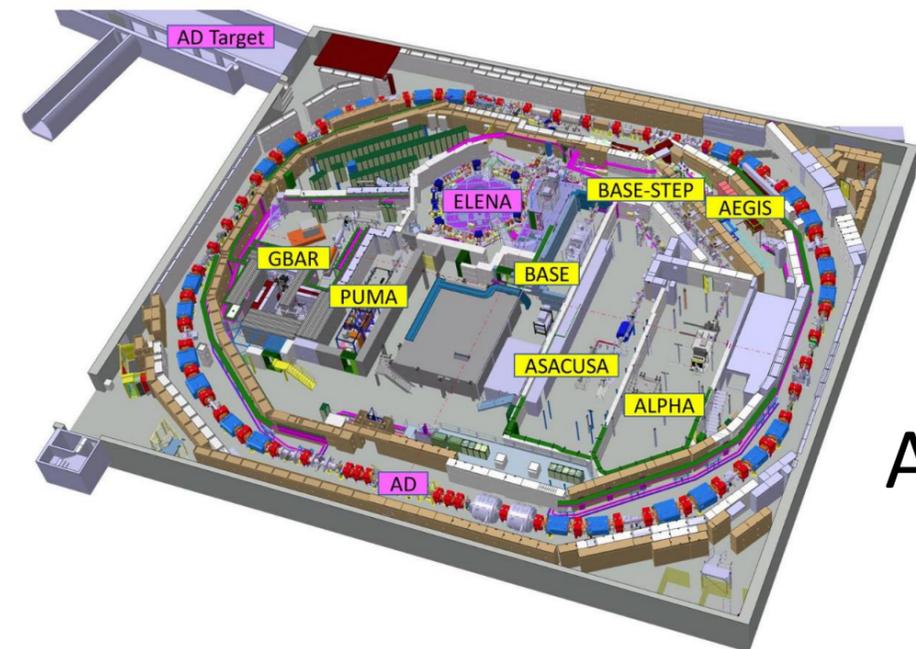


▶ H^- (hydrogen anions) ▶ p (protons) ▶ ions ▶ RIBs (Radioactive Ion Beams) ▶ n (neutrons) ▶ \bar{p} (antiprotons) ▶ e^- (electrons) ▶ μ (muons)

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



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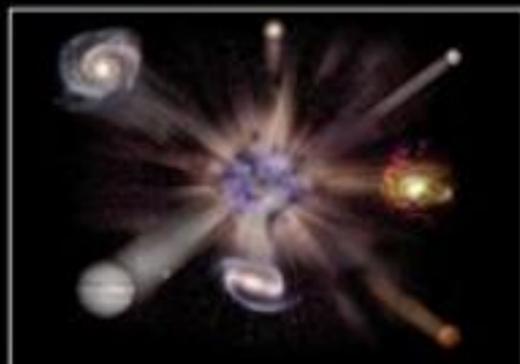
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Big open questions in particle physics

Unsolved Mysteries

Driven by new puzzles in our understanding of the physical world, particle physicists are following paths to new wonders and startling discoveries. Experiments may even find extra dimensions of space, microscopic black holes, and/or evidence of string theory.

Why is the Universe Accelerating?



The expansion of the universe appears to be accelerating. Is this due to Einstein's Cosmological Constant? If not, will experiments reveal a new force of nature or even extra (hidden) dimensions of space?

Why No Antimatter?



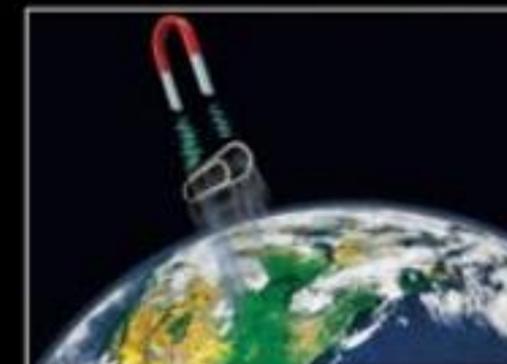
Matter and antimatter were created in the Big Bang. Why do we now see only matter except for the tiny amounts of antimatter that we make in the lab and observe in cosmic rays?

What is Dark Matter?



Invisible forms of matter make up much of the mass observed in galaxies and clusters of galaxies. Does this dark matter consist of new types of particles that interact very weakly with ordinary matter?

Are there Extra Dimensions?



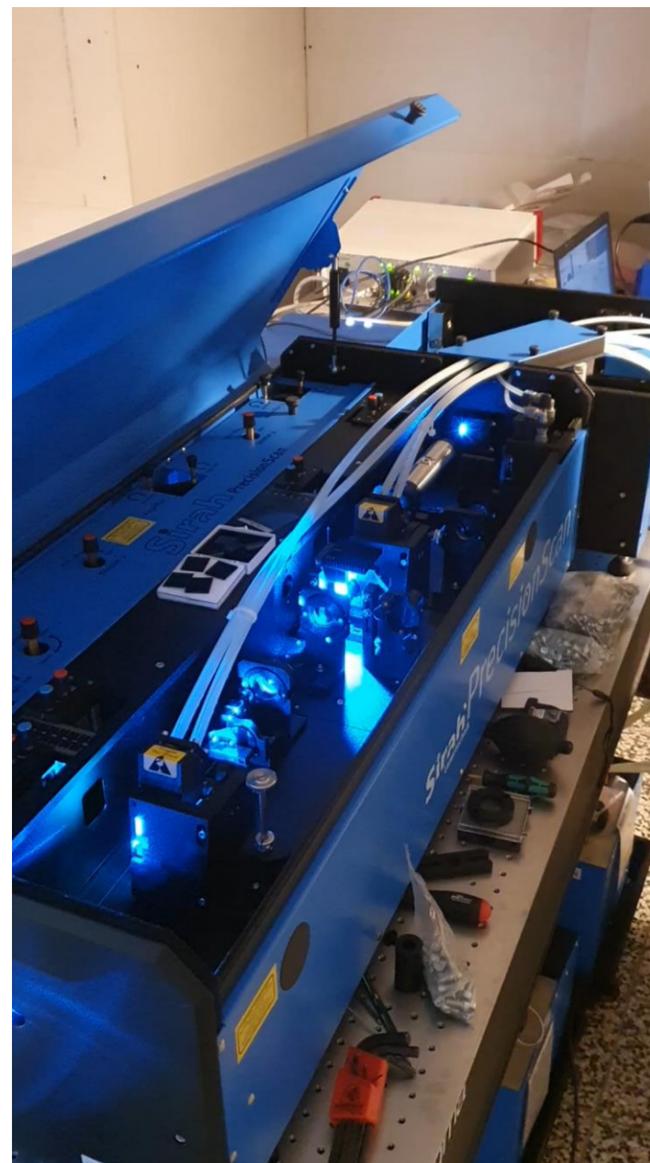
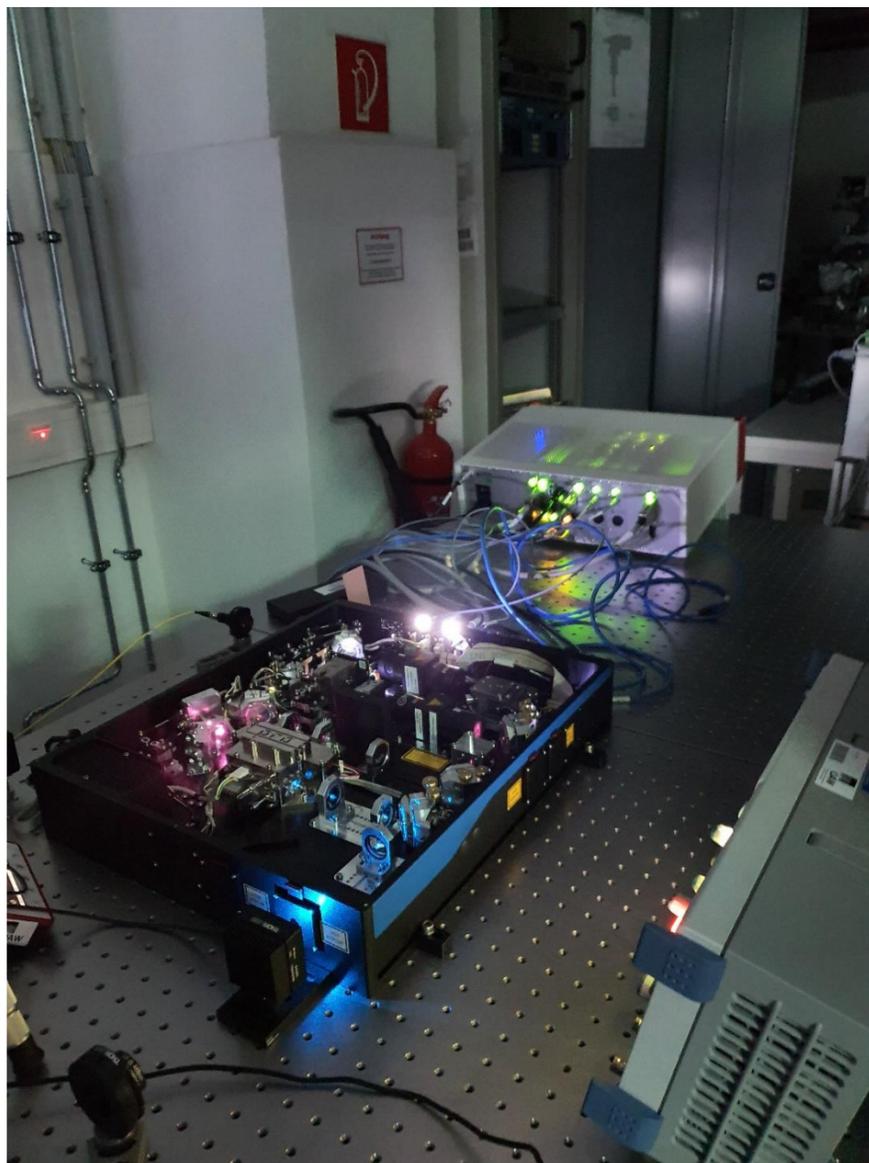
An indication for extra dimensions may be the extreme weakness of gravity compared with the other three fundamental forces (gravity is so weak that a small magnet can pick up a paperclip overwhelming Earth's gravity).



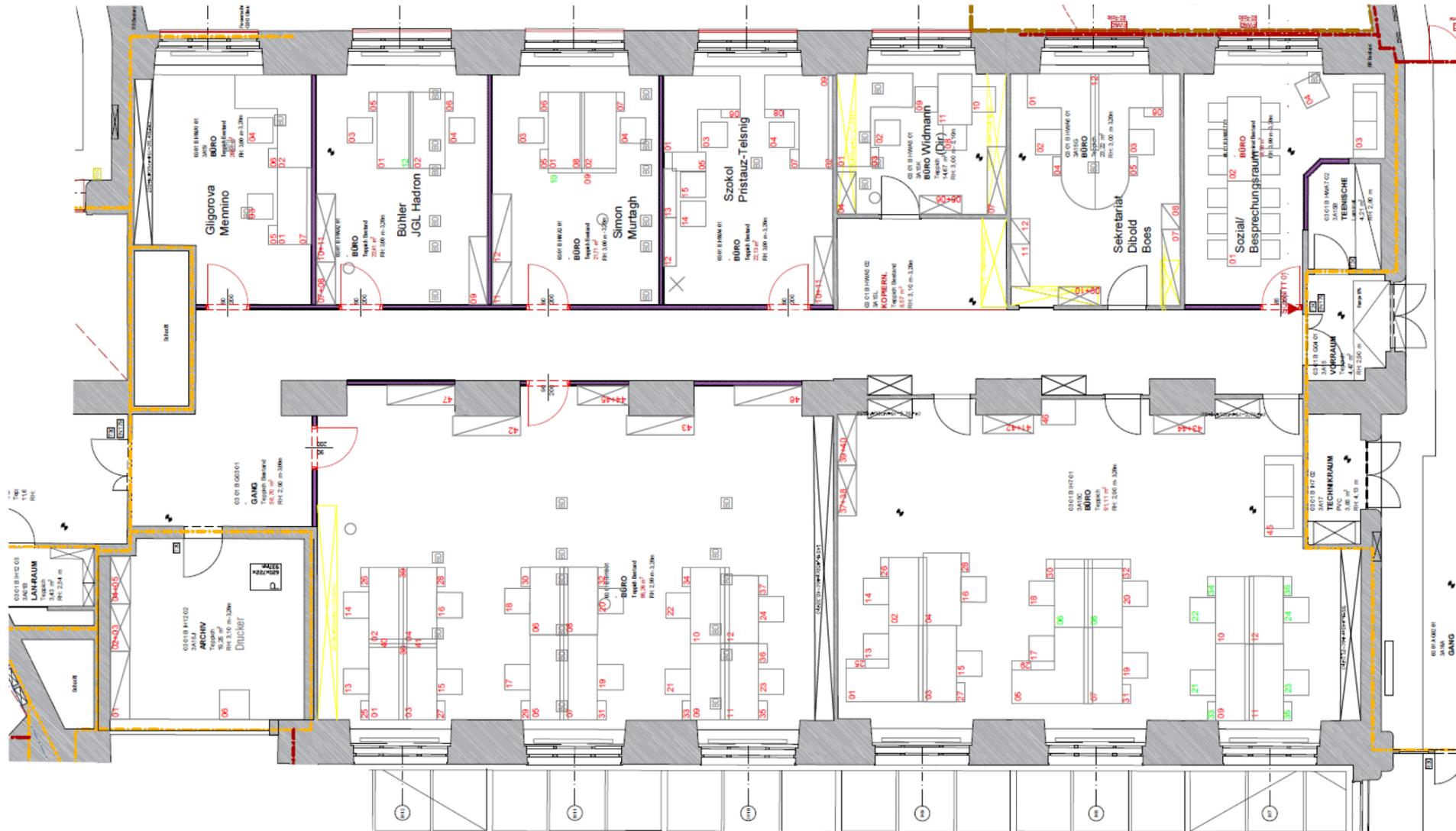
Situation of experiments, labs, workshop

- Move to **Kegelgasse** during Covid
- slow setup of labs due to restrictions of people present, delivery times
 - Delay in installation of new laser system and laser hut
 - ^{22}Na source availability delays ASACUSA and positron lab
- Ps lab to stay in KG → end 2023
- Move to **PSK**
- Two H/D beam setups needed to be installed outside SMI
 - ETH: Laser system for H detection, return 2024
 - LAC Paris-Saclay: D beam, longer lasting collaboration envisaged
- Mechanical workshop to stay in Boltzmannngasse (IQOQI) until HEPHY moves (end 2024/25)

Laser system for H/D detection



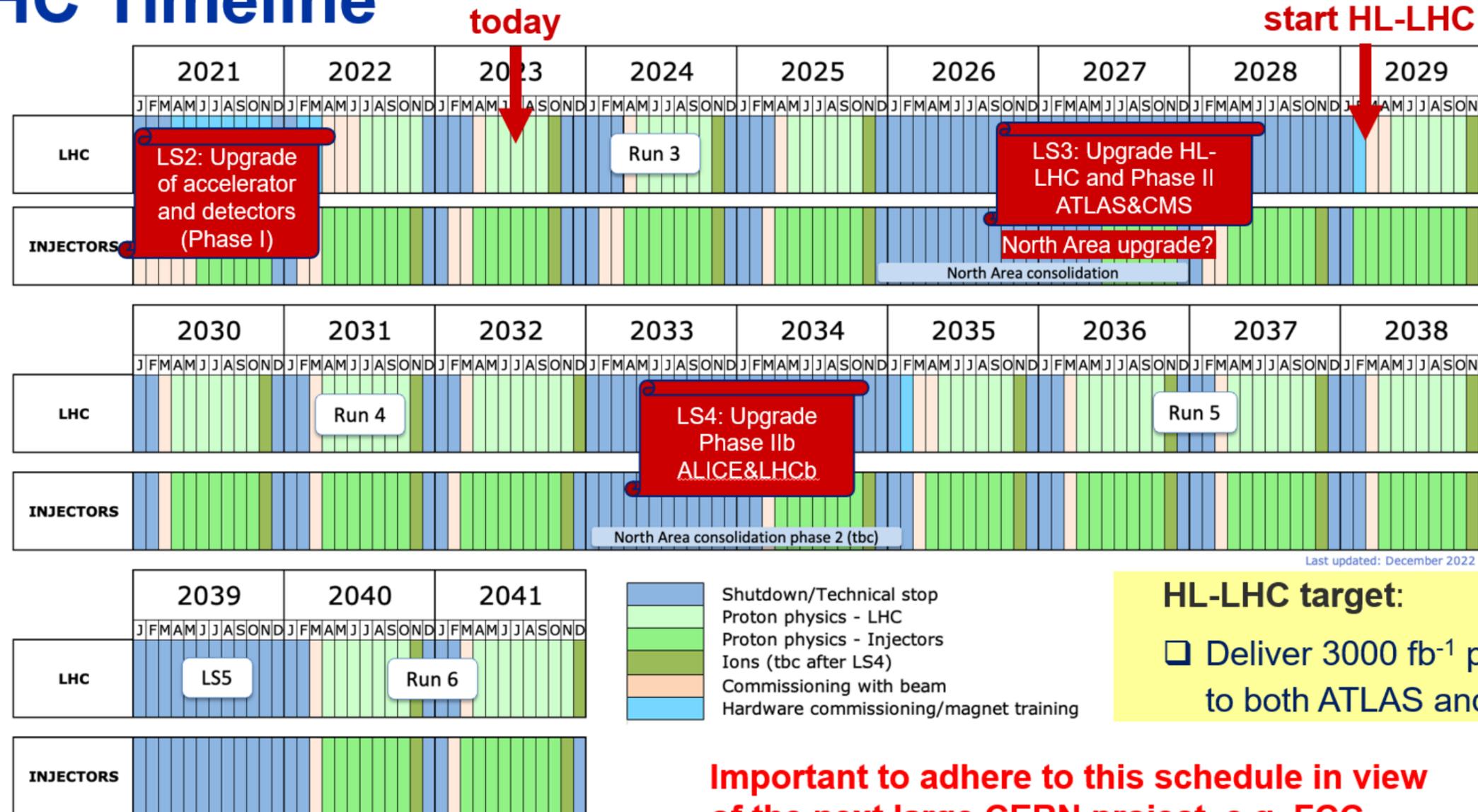
Office layout



- GL/JGL/PDs in 2-room offices
- Two offices with 12+ persons each
 - Acoustic separation needed (“zoom boxes”)
- Only one social / meeting room, others shared



LHC Timeline



New grant scheme excellent = austria

- Custers of Excellence
- **Cosmic Matters:**
 - ÖAW, Uni Wien, TU Wien, U Graz, U Innsbruck
 - 35 M€ / 5 years, additonal 5 years possible after evaluation
 - All particle physics and astrophysics groups in Austria
 - 30+ key researchers
 - CERN, ESO, ESA
 - *Director of Research EW*
- SMI contributions
 - ASACUSA: RA A
 - ALICE: RA B
 - GRASIAN: RA A, B, C
- Infrastructure
 - Cryolab
 - Austrian Silcion Lab (CMOS det.)
- Procedure
 - 15 Dec 2021 pre-proposal
 - *If successfull*
 - 17 Oct 22 full proposal
 - Final decision end of Mar 2023



Cluster of Excellence *Cosmic Matters*

A: space-time structure

B: particles and forces

C: nature of dark matter

D: formation of astronomical structures

E: emergence of habitable environments

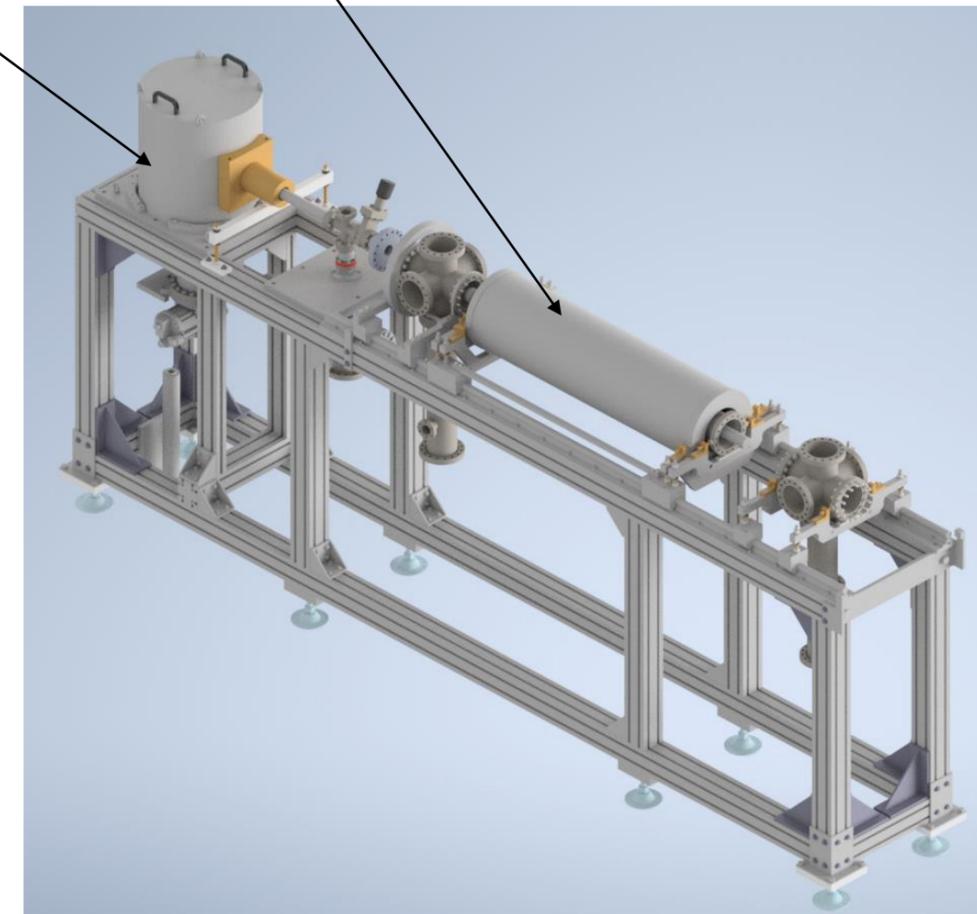
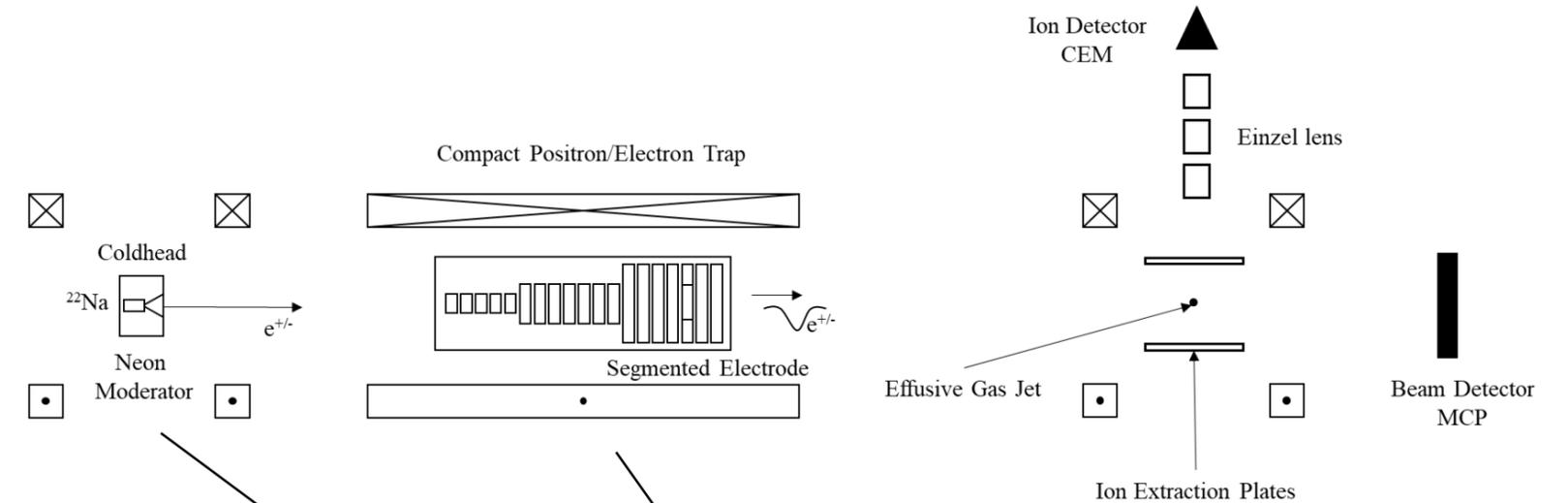


Physics program overview

- Introduction
- Low energy precision experiments
 - ASACUSA@CERN
 - NoMoS (*in collaboration with ATI*)
 - VIP@LNGS
- Hadron physics
 - Kaon-nucleon interaction
 - Belle (*in collaboration with HEPHY*) and PANDA
 - ALICE
- Advanced Instrumentation

Positron Lab at SMI

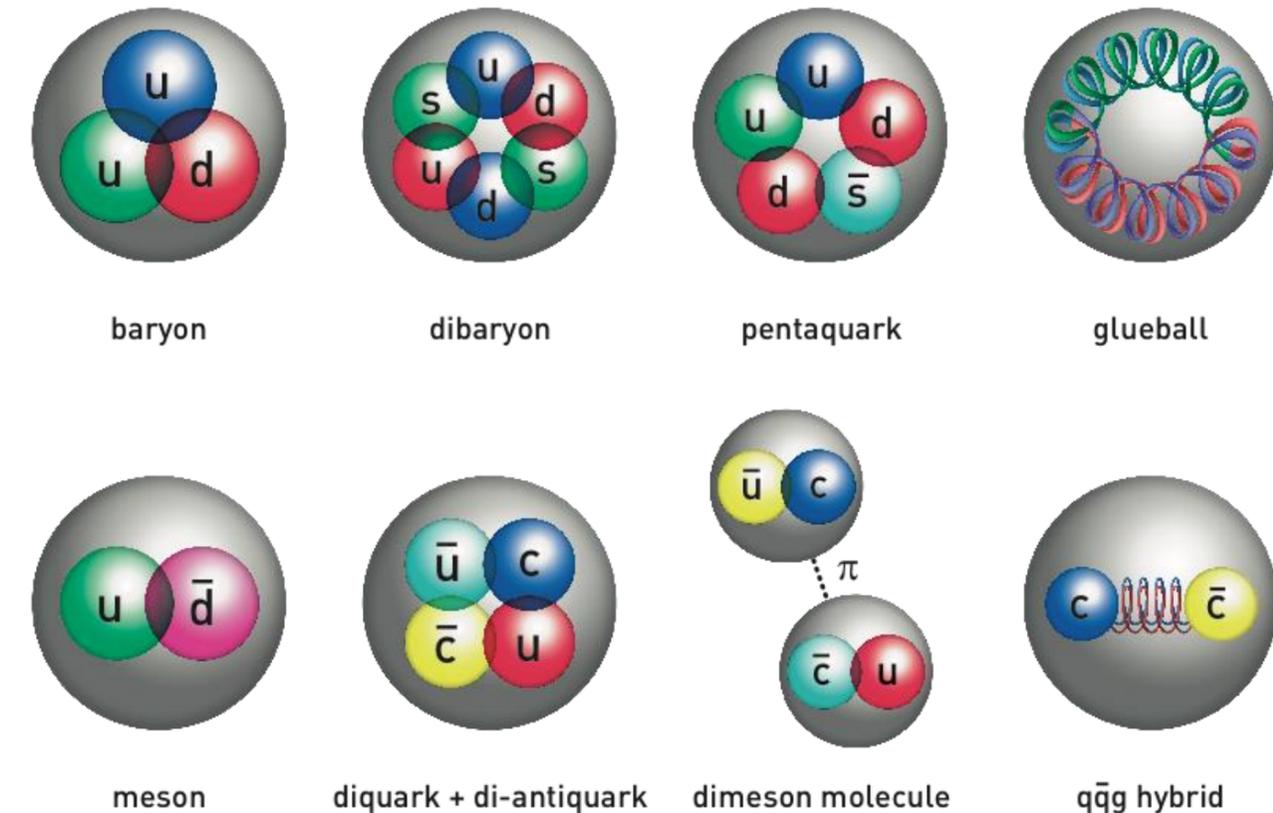
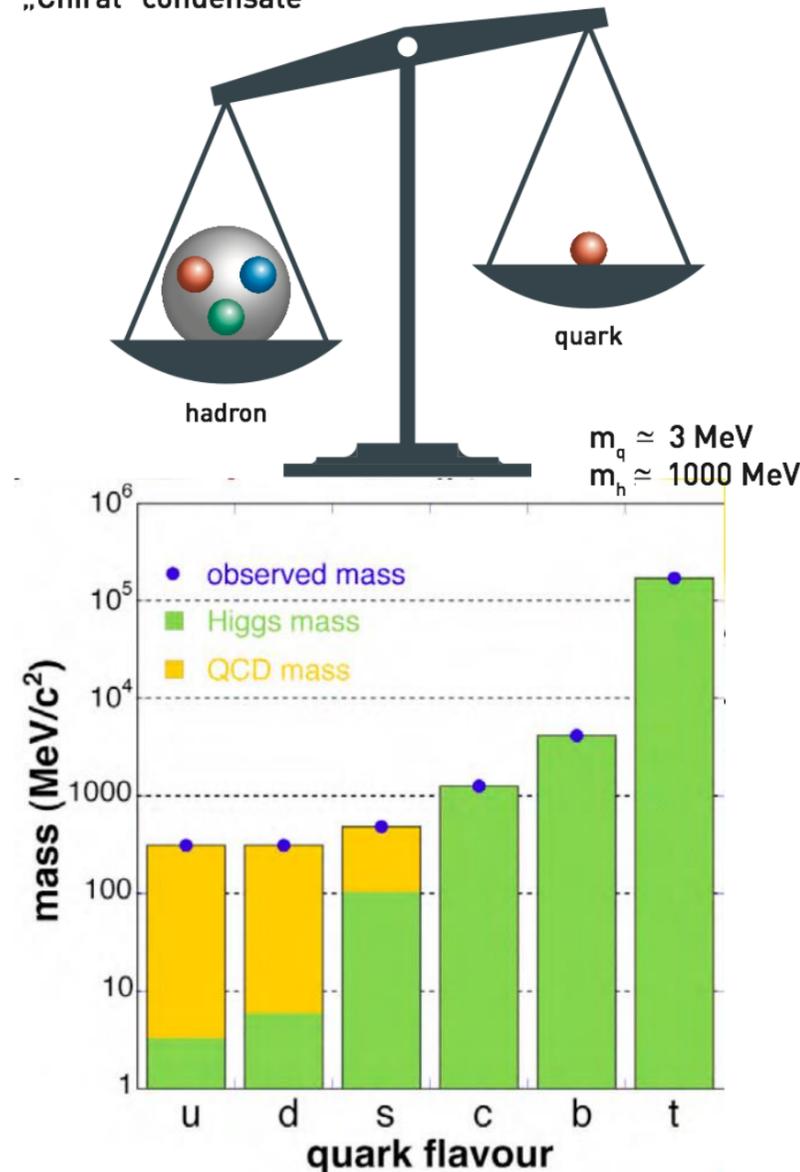
- A new Ne moderated positron beam and buffer gas trap are under construction at SMI
- By the end of 2021 we will be producing pulses of positrons with thermal energy spreads for experiments here at the institute
- The first planned experiments will look for the formation of molecular states involving positronium such as positronium hydride (PsH), positronic water (PsHO) and positronium sulphide (PsS)
- The binding energy of these systems will be investigated using ion spectroscopy to identify the production of dissociation fragments below their formation energy



Hadron physics in non-perturbative regime

- Hadrons: first level of complexity
- Mass generation by dynamic processes
- Not all predicted states are observed
- New states so far unexplained

„Chiral” condensate

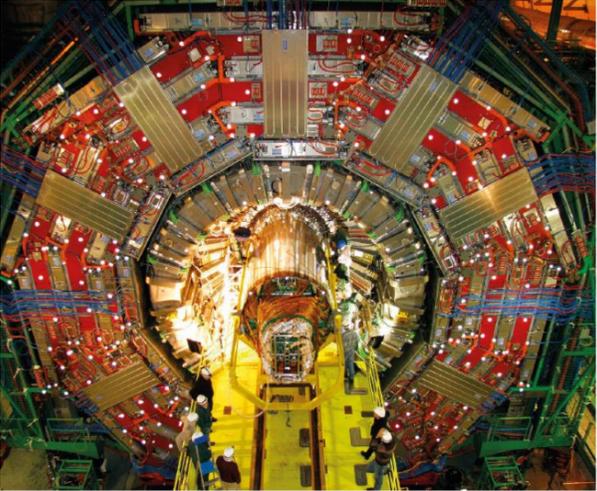


Summary

- Subatomic physics at accelerators and underground labs
- Mostly long-term projects
- Subjects in NuPECC LRP
- Funded by
 - ÖAW
 - FWF
 - ERC
 - Marie Curie (IF, ITN)
 - IA HadronPhysics 1-3 (FP6,7), Strong2020 (H2020, submitted)
 - bmbwf
 - ffg, COST
- Funding scheme for contributions to large experiments missing
 - ÖAW: commission GROFO

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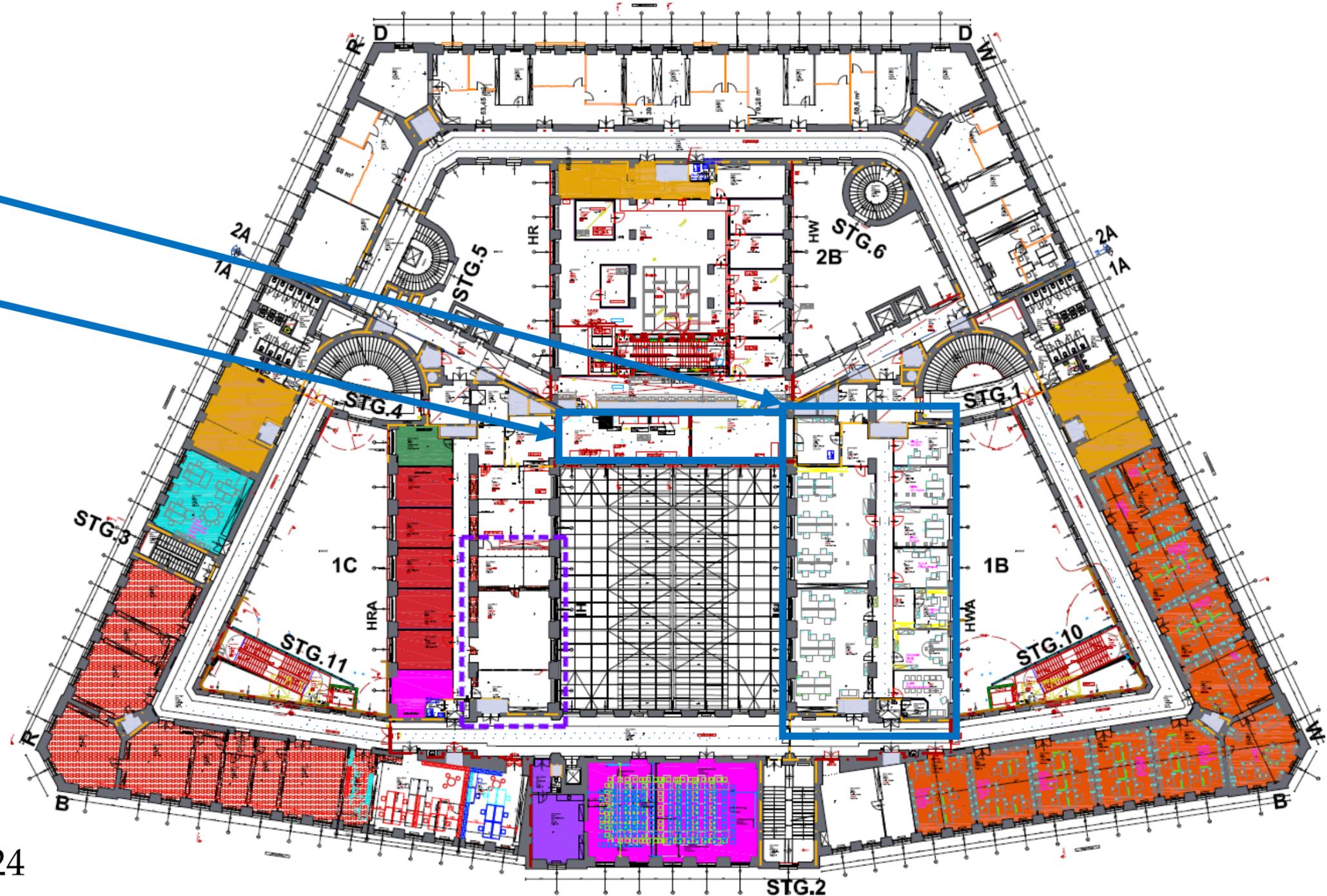
Grants – active

- FWF
 - FWF stand-alone projects
 - SIDDHARTA-2, E57 (*Zmeskal*) →11/24
 - ASACUSA \bar{p} annihilation (*Gligorova*) →06/24
 - ALICE dileptons (*Meninno*) →10/25
 - ALICE tau magnetic moment (*Bühler*) →07/25
- Horizon2020
 - Strong2020 (*Zmeskal*) →07/24
- ÖAW Innovation Fund
 - *D-Rabi approved (Simon, one-time invest)*
- In evaluation
 - FWF Start QGP (*K. Boguslavski, theory TU Wien*)
 - ANR-FWF joint project GRASIAN (*EW*)
 - Marie Curie Doctoral Network ALICE (*Chinellato*)

others

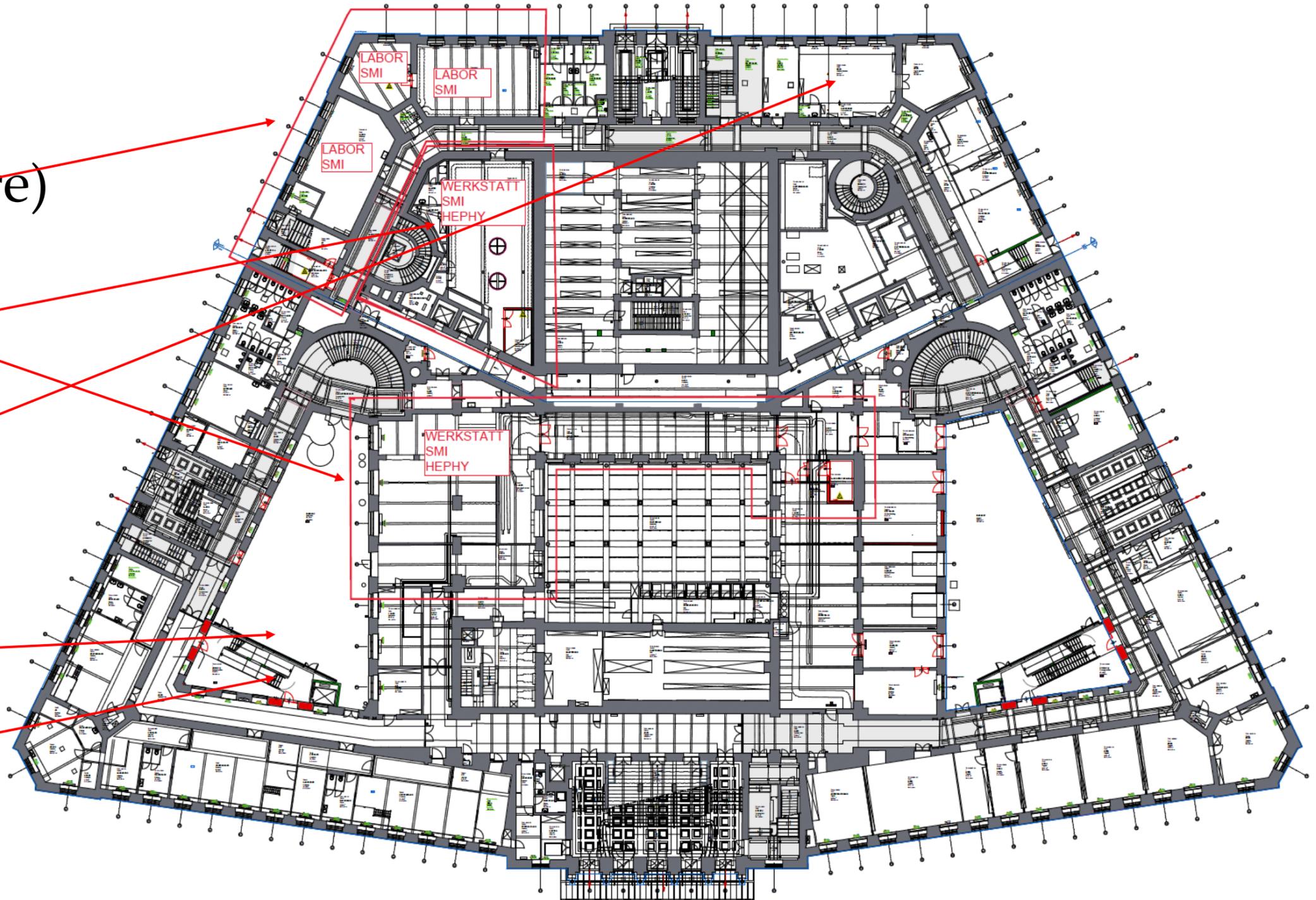
- Planned
 - FWF Stand-alone project for J-PARC (*Zmeskal*)
 - FWF Schrödinger Fellowship (*F. Hechenberger, theory TU Wien*)
 - FWF Stand-alone project ALICE (*Chinellato*)
 - FWF Stand-alone project for Ramsey spectroscopy with hydrogen and antihydrogen (*Simon*)
 - FWF Stand-alone project ALICE (*Bühler*)
 - ERC Synergy Grant GRASIAN (*EW*)
 - 2019 approved but not funded, resubmission planned for 2024/2025
 - ERC Consolidator Grant (*Chinellato, 2024/2025*)
 - Cryo4ppp infrastructure call FFG together with HEPHY
 - *once on reserve list but not selected, resubmission planned*
 - PhD student cotutelle SMI/LKB Sorbonne funded, 2nd cotutelle in preparation (GRASIAN)
- Graduate school
 - *Vienna Doctoral School in Physics VDSP (EW)*

- Moved in Sep 2023
- Offices on 3rd floor
 - Electronics lab, small mechanical workshop
- Labs on ground floor
 - Same as Kegelgasse
- Common workshop with HEPHY (*during 2024*)
- Cryolab in basement
 - New; jointly used with HEPHY
- Main issues
 - Acoustic cross-talk between offices
 - Seminar room infrastructure
 - *Financing of safety installations in labs, zoom boxes (solved?)*
 - Workshop stays in BG till middle 2024



Labs

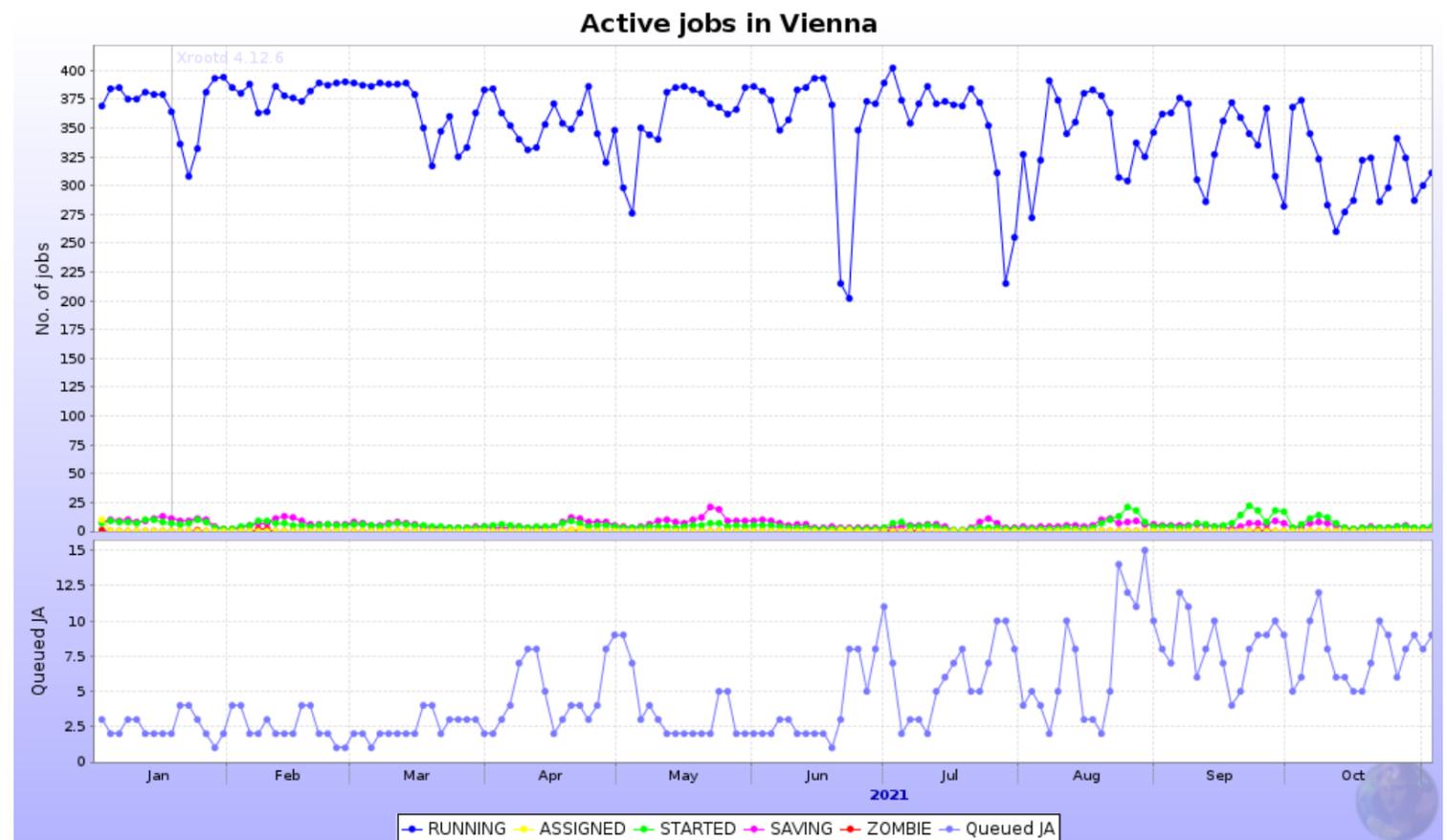
- Ground floor (Tiefparterre)
 - Labs
 - Mechanical workshop
 - Jointly with HEPHY
 - Offices of technicians
- Basement (Oberkeller)
 - CNC milling machine
 - Cryolab
 - Jointly with HEPHY
 - Laser lab



CLIP

- High Performance Data Analysis infrastructure: *CLIP – Center for Life Science and Physics*
 - GMI, IMBA, IMP, HEPHY, SMI
 - Grid (CMS, Belle, ALICE) working since summer 2020
 - Non-grid usage still weak
 - Usage will increase because of ALICE expansion
 - Additional invest: disks, CPUs

ALICE grid jobs (predominantly)



Renaming ceremony 29 Oct 2004

- *Jean-Pierre Blaser*, Cooperation of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and the Swiss Institute for Nuclear Research
- *Carlo Guraldo*, Kaon Physics at Laboratori Nazionale di Frascati (LNF)
- *Carlo Guaraldo*, The DEAR-SIDDHARTA Project at Laboratori Nazionale di Frascati (LNF)
- *Sydney Gales*, The FAIR-Project at GSI-Darmstadt - A European Perspective
- *Volker Metag*, Perspectives of Hadron Physics at FAIR
- *Paul Kienle*, Our fields of research

