





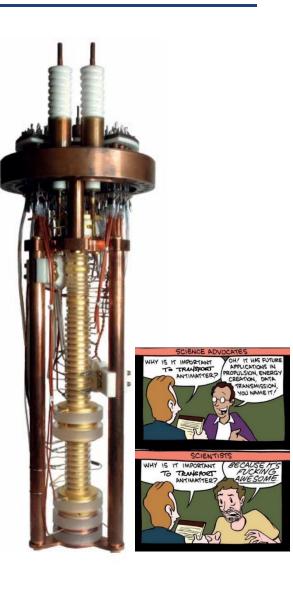


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Progress 2024

BASE Collaboration

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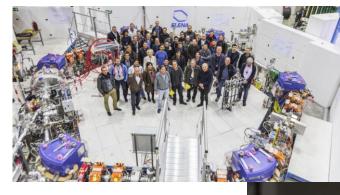


BASE uses single particles in advanced Penning trap systems, to study the fundamental properties of protons and antiprotons with high precision.

SE Dedication

- To Walter Oelert + 25.11.2024 (affiliated to Jülich, Bochum, Mainz)
 - First detection of 11 antihydrogen atoms with an energy of 1GeV
 - Chair of CERN's antimatter program until 2017
 - Instrumental role in establishing the Extra Low Energy Antiproton Synchrotron ELENA
- Mail from 17.10.2024 on p-transport:
- "Wow!!! That's fantastic! Congratulations! Those were already old plans back in the LEAR days, but they were never realized. Now you've made it happen for protons, and I think that's just amazing!
- My heartfelt congratulations to you and your team.
- ...

Once again, congratulations! Walter"





Production of antihydrogen

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ANTIMATTER | FEATURE Setting the record straight 25 November 2005

Walter Oelert, leader of the team that 10 years ago obtained the first antimatt atoms, talks to Tomasz Rozek about the fact and fiction surrounding the discovery.

Dan Brown's novel Angels and Demons has been enormously popular. A secre brotherhood murders a physicist who managed to produce the first antimatte on Earth. You have surely heard about the book? I have even read it. Indeed the author has me killed at the very beginning.



Correct. You die and the antimatter stolen from CERN is used to blackmail the Vatican. CERN does produce antimatter, and the contact of antimatter with ordinary matter results in annihilation where large quantities of energy appear. Aren't you scared that one day Brown's scenario may become real?

No, since there is no way to produce a store a large quantity of antimatter.



First atoms of antimatter produced at CERN

4 JANUARY, 1996

Geneva, 4 January 1996. In September 1995, Prof. Walter Oelert and an international team from Jülich IKP-KFA, Erlangen-Nuernberg University, GSI Darmstadt and Genoa University succeeded for the first time in synthesising atoms of antimatter from their constituent antiparticles. Nine of these atoms were produced in collisions between antiprotons and xenon atoms over a period of three weeks. Each one remained in existence for about forty billionths of a second, travelled at nearly the speed of light over a path of ten metres and then annihilated with ordinary matter. The annihilation produced the signal which showed that the anti-atoms had been created.

SE BASE – Collaboration

- **Mainz:** Measurement of the magnetic moment of the proton, implementation of new technologies.
- CERN-AD: Measurement of the magnetic moment of the antiproton and proton/antiproton q/m ratio
- **BASE-STEP:** Development of transportable antiproton traps
- Hannover/PTB: BASE-LOGIC / QLEDS-laser cooling project, new technologies
- **BASE-HHU:** Offline antiproton studies
- **BASE-CDM:** Axion Haloscope at HHU
- More to come BASE-Lepton / BASE Deuteron / BASE MCP...



Six experiments, 11 institutes, about 30 collaborators



Institutes: RIKEN, MPIK, CERN, HHU, University of Mainz, Tokyo University, GSI Darmstadt, University of Hannover, PTB Braunschweig, ETH Zuerich, ICL



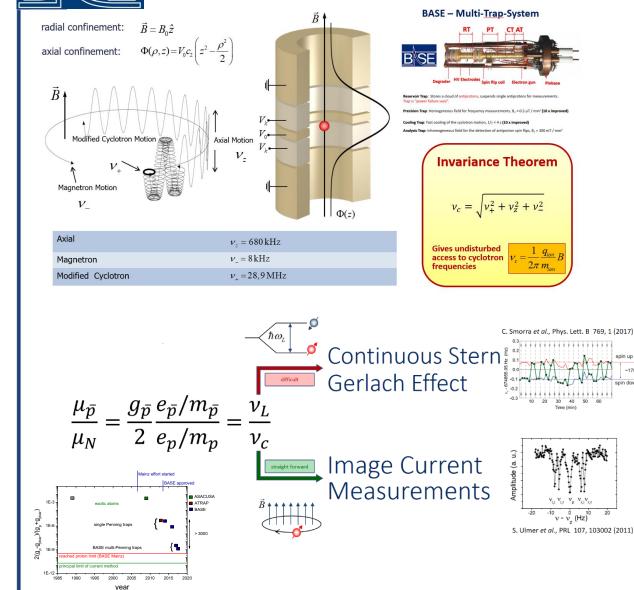




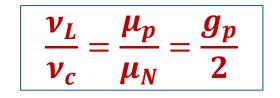


BASE/BASE -STEP Team at CERN, HHU, Mainz

BASE in a Nutshell



Axial detectors a) Axial detector Reservoir B **Cyclotron Particle** Larmor Particle Antiprotons Analysis Trap $B_2 = 300 \, \text{kT/m}$ Cooling Trap **Reservoir Trap** Parking **Cyclotron Detector** Cyclotron detector 10 mm Electrode T = 5 KPrecision Trap $B_2 = 0.05 \,\mathrm{mT/m}$ New antiproton catching Magnetic shimming Upgraded AT electronics for Cooling trap with 80 system and low energy system for magnetic error-free nondestructive times improved cooling field gradient Spin Quantum Transition antiproton vacuum time. technology. compensation. Spectroscopy First Non-Destructive Coherent Quantum Transition Spectroscopy with a Single Antiproton Spin

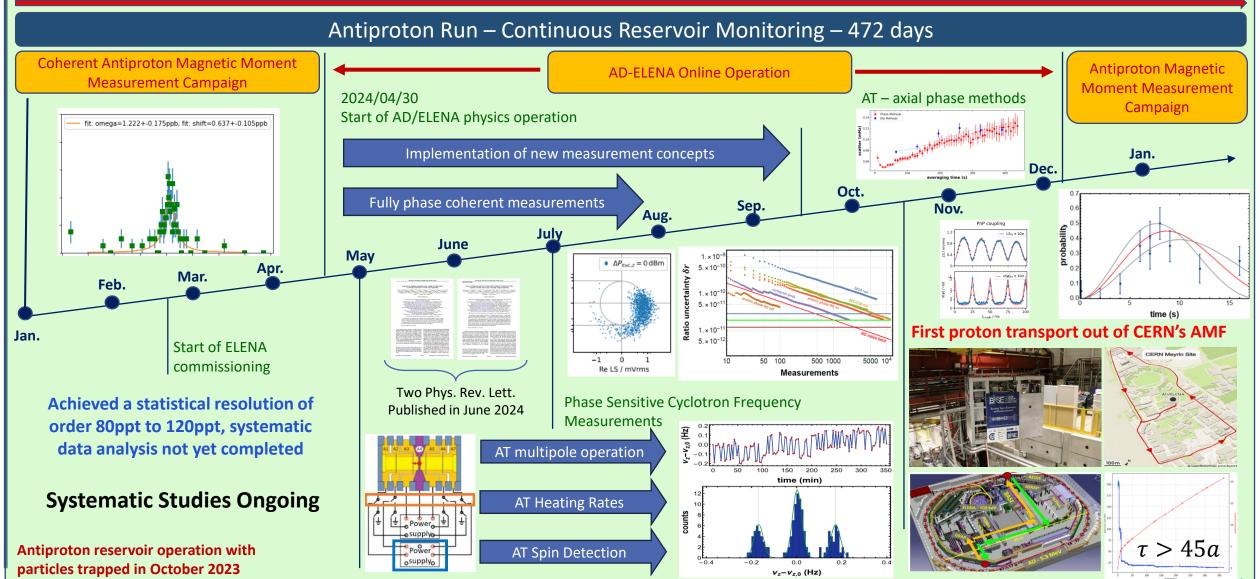


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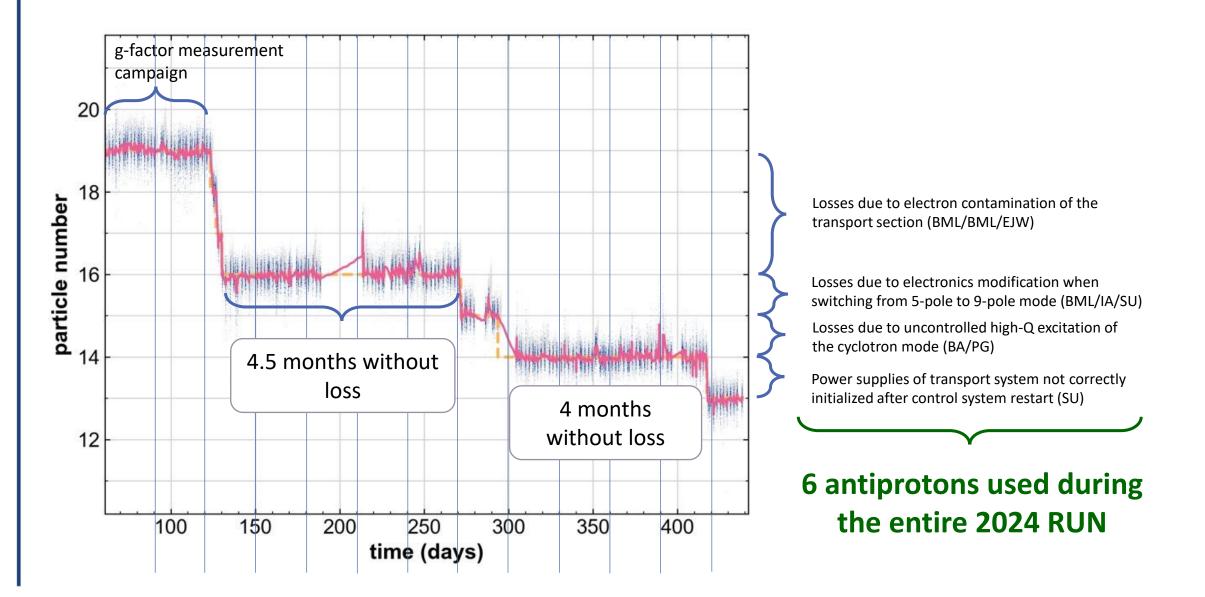
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BASE Annual Summary 2024

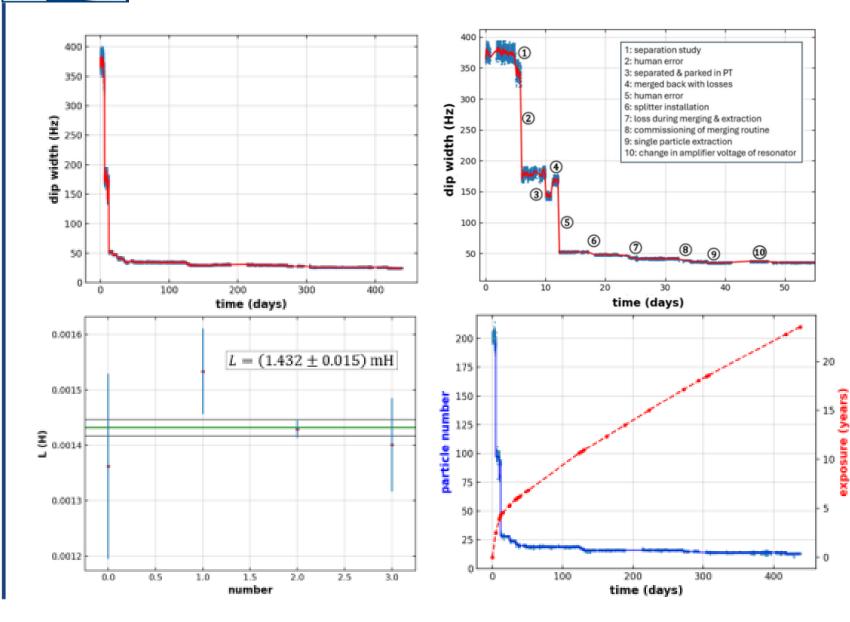
Experiment ONLINE throughout entire year 2024



SE 2024 Particle Consumption



SE Updated Antiproton Lifetime



Based on an antiproton reservoir trapped on 27th of October 2023

Experiments with these particles still ongoing after **472 day**s of trapping.

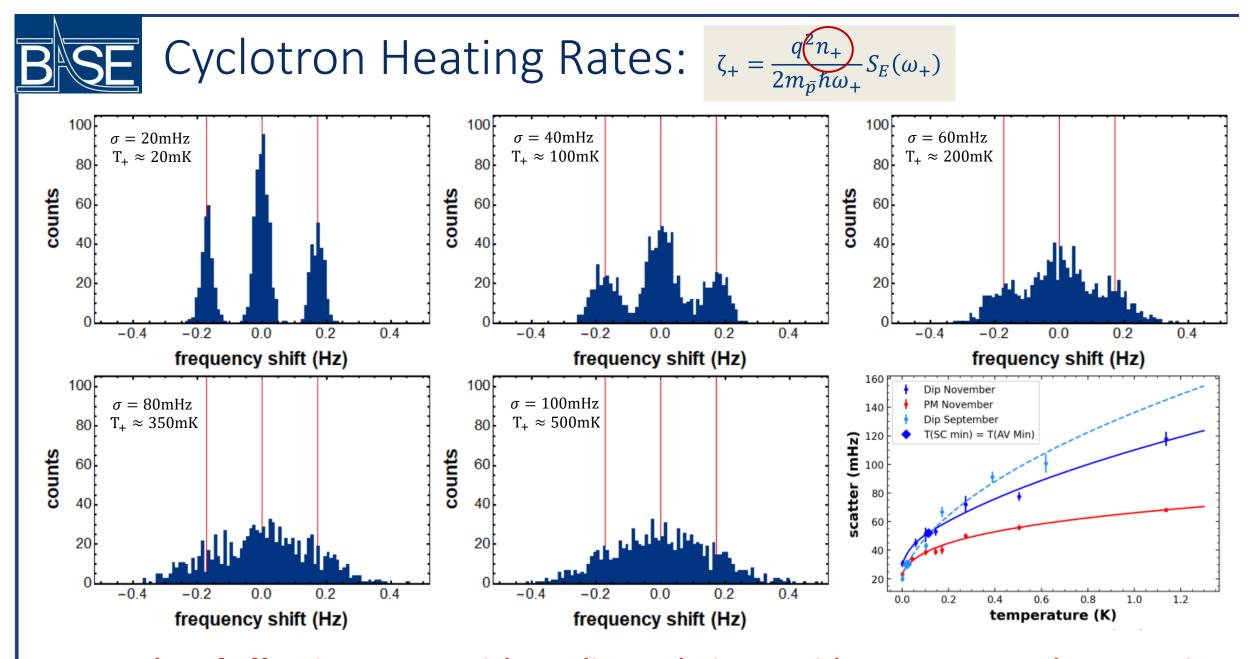
Initially trapped: 25 particles

Still in the reservoir: 18 particles

Lost in 2024 a total 7 particles

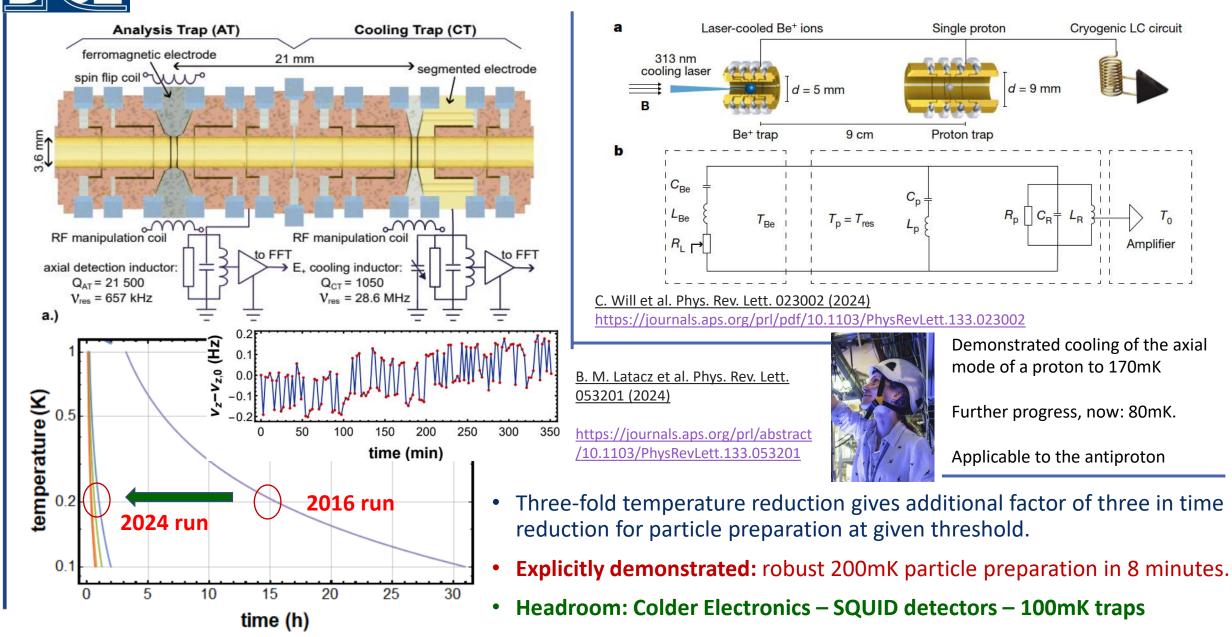
Lifetime update: > 46.8y





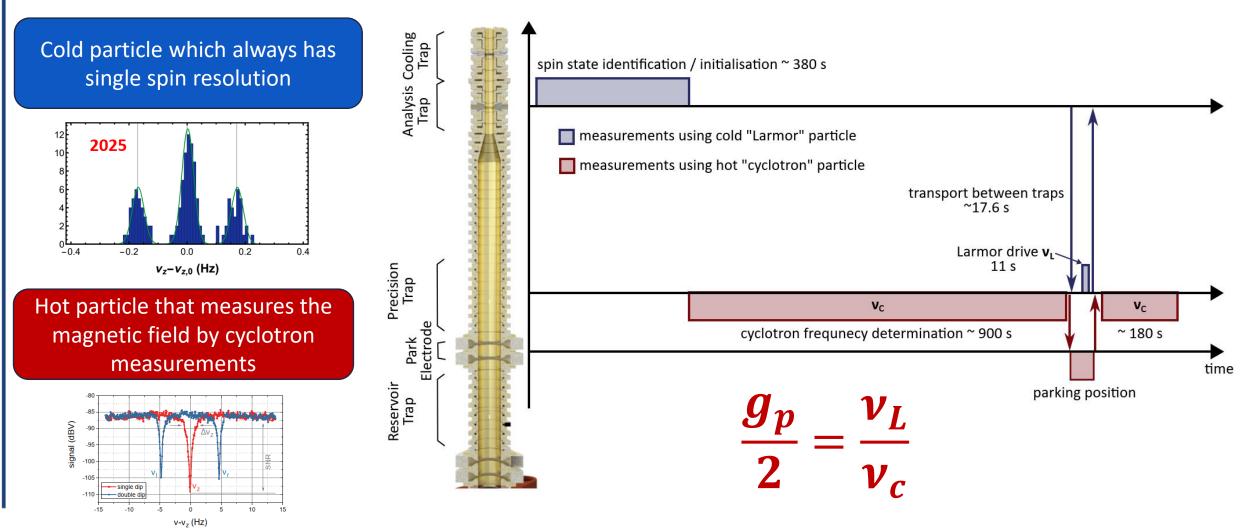
Put a lot of effort into our particle cooling techniques with CT at CERN and SC at Mainz

Improved Cooling Techniques / Maxwell Deamon / Sympathetic



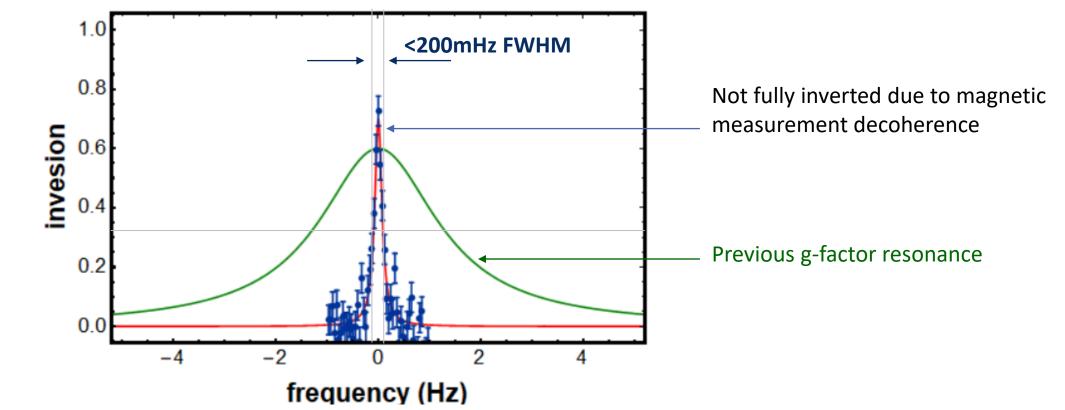


• At CERN, we are using a two-particle/three-trap technique to sample the magnetic moment resonance



Antiproton Magnetic Moment Measurements

- Antiproton: data collected between 28.12.2023 and 26.01.2024
- Proton: measurement carried out May to July 2023



- Statistical resolution for both antiproton and proton at about 80 ppt (6.4mHz) to 100 ppt (8.1mHz line center).
- Systematic studies ongoing (tough at this accuracy in the AD).

BSE Systematic Frequency Shifts

Question: How well does the invariance theorem meet our assumptions, and how large are the deviations?

$$\nu_{c} = \sqrt{\nu_{+}^{2} + \nu_{z}^{2} + \nu_{-}^{2}}$$



• Elliptic disturbances in trapping potential cancel out.

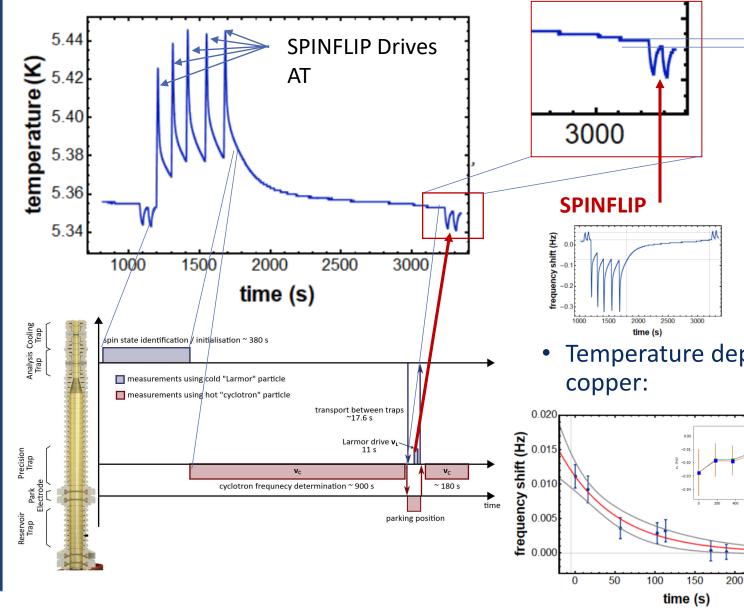
	tilted trap	
drifts B(t)		potential
contaminants <		B2 and B1
shift in B1	image charge / current	relativistic shifts

In addition to this: trap related technical shifts.

shift	shift with uncertainty (p.p.t.) for g-factor
Image Charge Shift Trap misalignment	43.6 (< 0.1) 3.12 (0.1)
Relativistic Shift	36.1(4.0)
C_4 shift	10.1 (1.1)
C_6 shift	< 5
B_1 shift	6.5(0.6)
Magnetic bottle shift	< 1
Axial magnetic bottle shift	< 1
B_4 Shift	< 1
C_3/B_1 Shift	0.13(0.01)
Dip and Axial resonator shift	24.3(23.3).
Particle Identicality	0(16)
PT Spinflip Drive Shift (axial resonator)	
AT Spin flip fidelity shift	0(3)
DT Sninflin Duive Shift (thermal)	17.4(1.4)
PT Spinflip Drive Shift (thermal) Drift of the particle due to transport procedure	17.4(1.4) under evaluation
Spin flip identification uncertainties	under evaluation
Lineshape	under evaluation
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Currently, these systematic studies are still ongoing.

SE Dominant Systematic Uncertainty



This discrepancy bothers us, since different trap temperatures during cyclotron frequency measurements and spinflip drive, so the basic assumption of the gfactor measurement

$$\frac{g_p}{2} = \frac{v_L}{v_c} = \frac{g_p}{2} \cdot \frac{\frac{q}{m}}{\frac{q}{m}} \cdot \frac{B_{SF}}{B_{cyc}}$$

where $B_{SF} = B_{cyc}$ is not necessarily given.

Temperature dependent paramagnetic susceptibility of

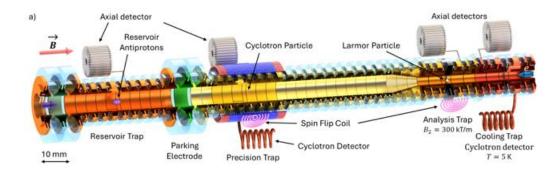
250

300

- Explicit shift measurements with uncertainty of 70ppt to 100ppt. (dominant systematics)
- Trap of silver and titanium
- Develop techniques towards single particle measurements.

Towards a Single Particle Measurement

- Did one of these measurements already 10 years ago at Mainz resonance sampling took 1.5 years – here at CERN, in the AD during yets, it would take 6 years.
- Optimization towards higher performance:
 - Cooling trap (PRL Latacz)
 - Implement real time cooling (part of the YETS program)
 - Higher temperature acceptance (great progress in the last run)
 - Better analysis trap with high multipole suppression

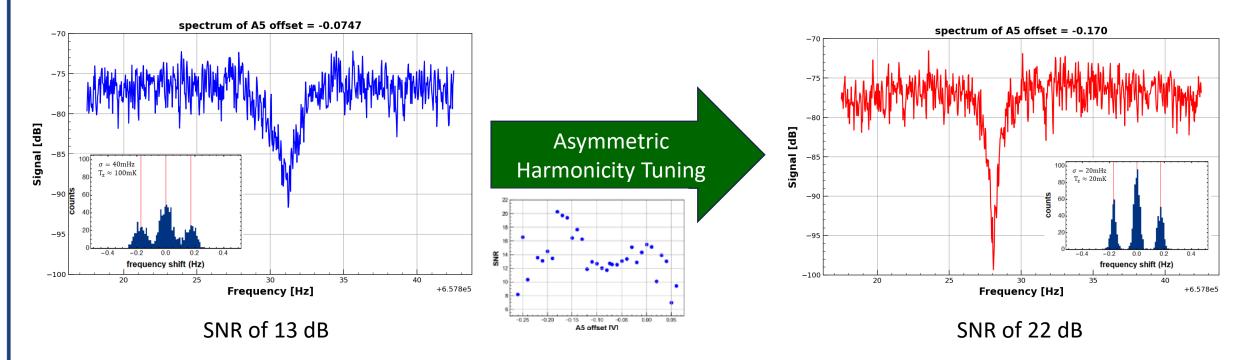


SE Analysis Trap Optimization

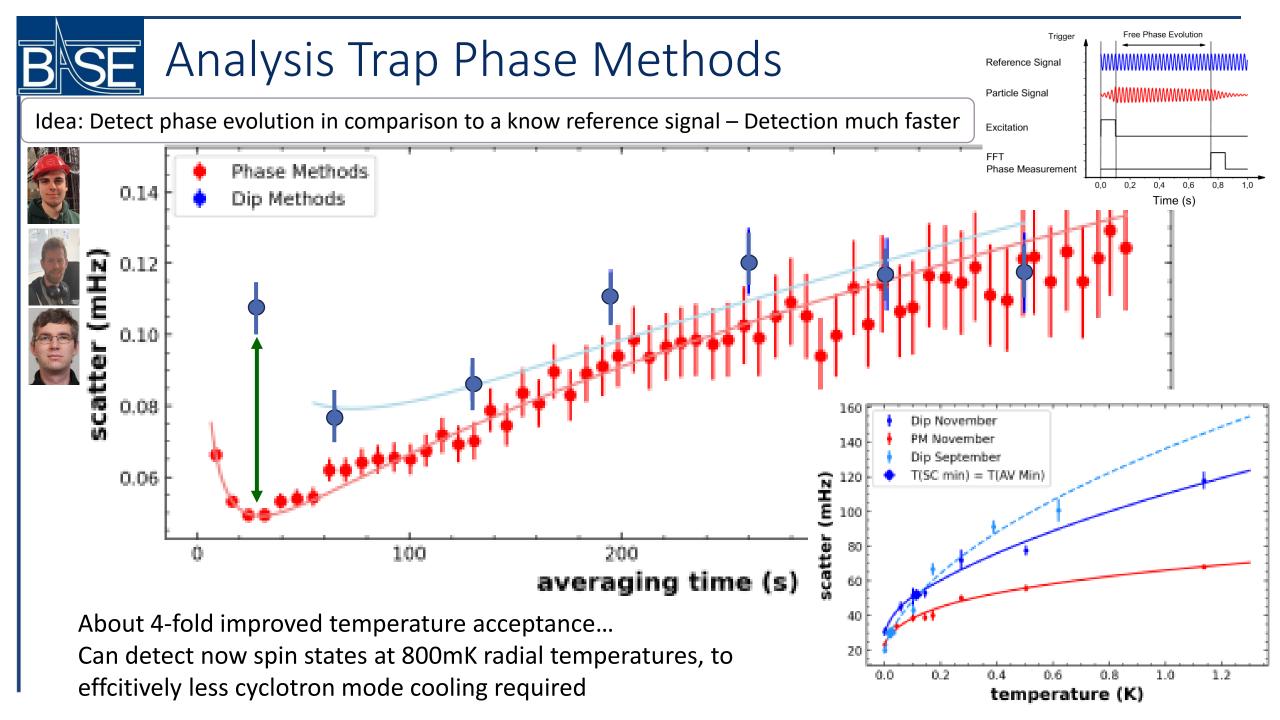
- Smallest trap used in precision Penning trap physics, with an inner diameter of only 3.6mm.
- Sensitive to disturbance of trapping potential due to interaction with the thermal axial detection reservoir.

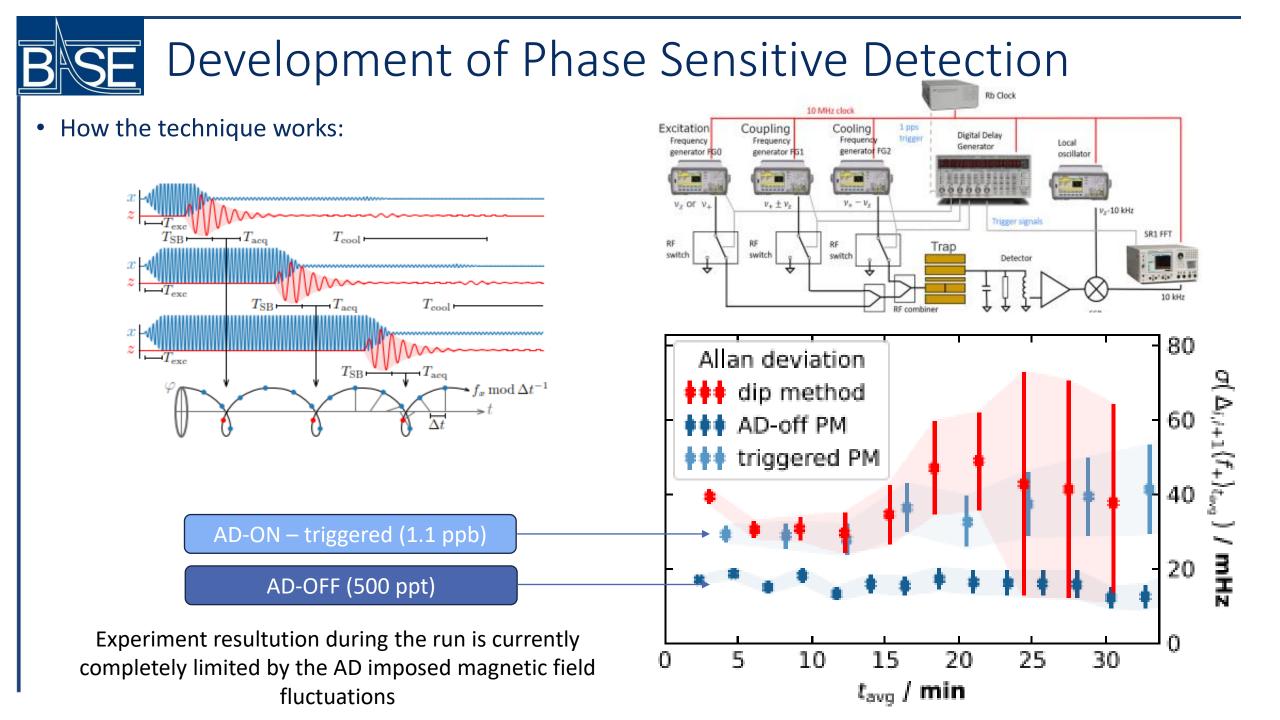
$$\nu_{z} = \nu_{z,0} \left(1 + \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{C_4}{C_2^2} - \frac{5}{4} \frac{C_3^2}{C_2^3} \right) \left(\frac{E_z}{qV_0} \right) \right)$$

$$\chi(T_z, C_4, C_6, \nu_z) = \frac{1}{T_z} \int dT \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{T}{T_z}\right) \chi_0(T_z, C_4, C_6, \nu_z)$$



Much more harmonic trap -> Improved spin state detection / phase detection possible / higher temperature acceptance -> important step todwards single particle measurement



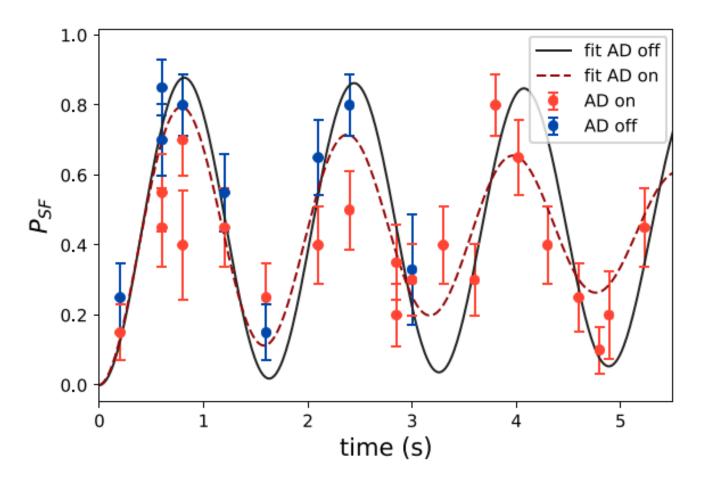


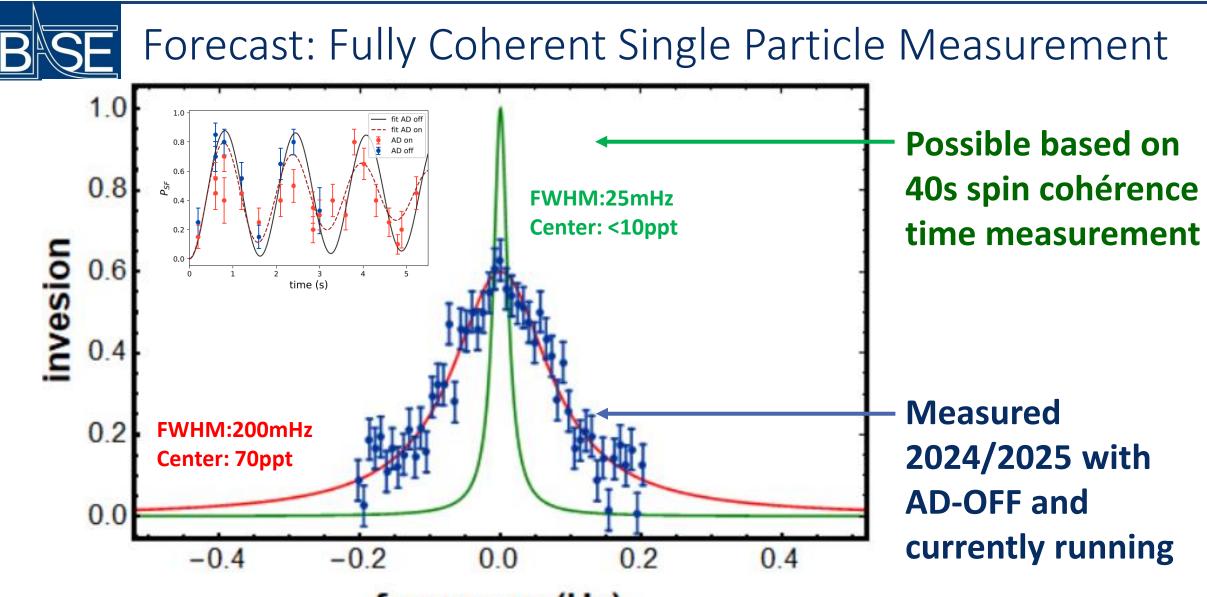


- Demonstrated for the first time with antiprotons.
- Derived spin-coherence times of order 40s!

$$P_{SF} = \frac{\Omega^2}{\Omega^2 + \Delta^2} \sin^2\left(\pi\sqrt{\Omega^2 + \Delta^2}t\right)$$

Estimated Full-Width-at-Half-Maximum of the Rabi-resonance width is at 25mHz or at 300 p.p.t.

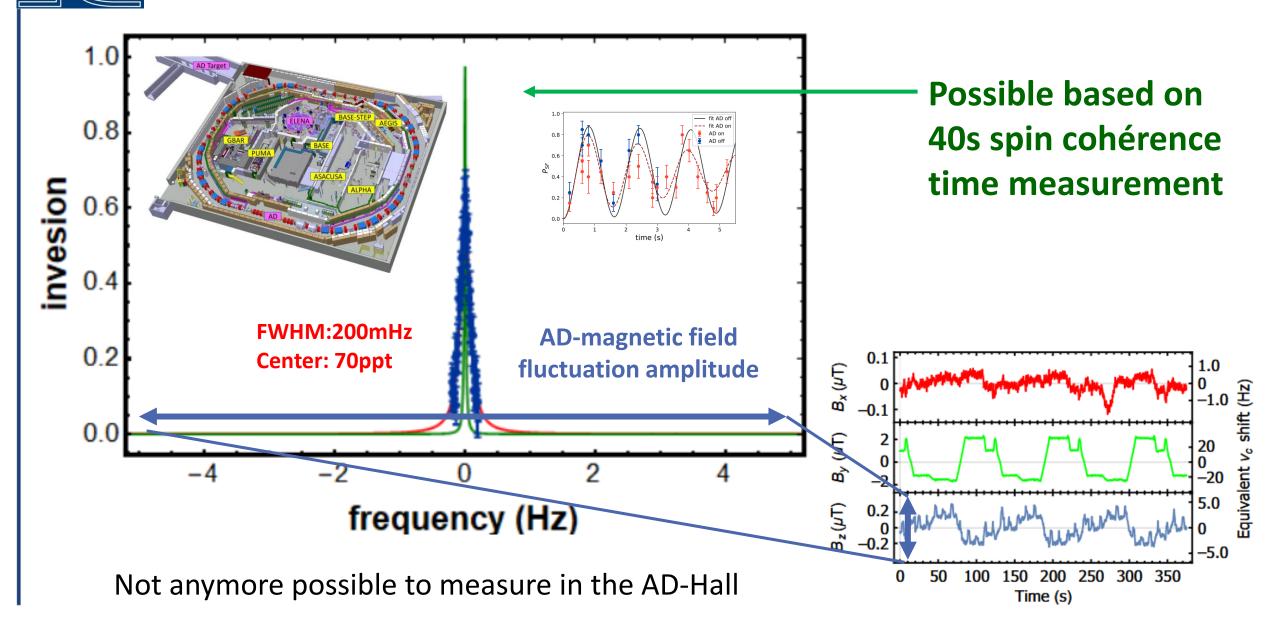




frequency (Hz)

Possible to improve the antiproton magnetic moment value by another factor of 10 in statistics (10 ppt) at reduced systematic uncertainty (but didn't have time to implement it)

Problem: AD Fluctuation



SE Charge-to-Mass Ratio Measurements

- Status: Measurement at 16ppt resolution (420uHz line-center) exists.
- Perspective: Next precision goal would be the p.p.t. level



	AD/ELENA-ON	BASE best (AD/ELENA OFF)	BASE best (OFFLINE)	Best Penning Traps (MPIK)
Fluctuation	2000ppt / 60mHz / 4nT (shielded)	200ppt / 6mHz / 0.4nT	200ppt / 6mHz / 0.4nT	70ppt / 2.2mHz / 0.13nT
Precision goal	2ppt	2ppt	2ppt	2ppt
Measurements	1.000.000	10.000	10.000	820
Continuous Sampling	7.5 years	28 days	28 days	2.5 days
Realistic Sampling	23 years	3 months	3 months	2.5 days
Total measurement time	> 1 lifetime of an Exp.Phys.	3 years (AD)	9 months	2 weeks?

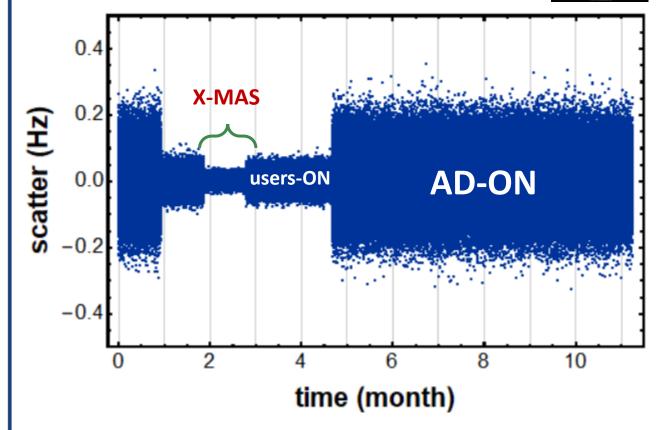
If CPT-V: Noone would ever be able to confirm! (and we would likely not trust ourselves...)

Not possible to optimize, due to bckgrnd noise

How can we make these experiments better?

- Situation in AD/ELENA
- BASE frequency fluctuation

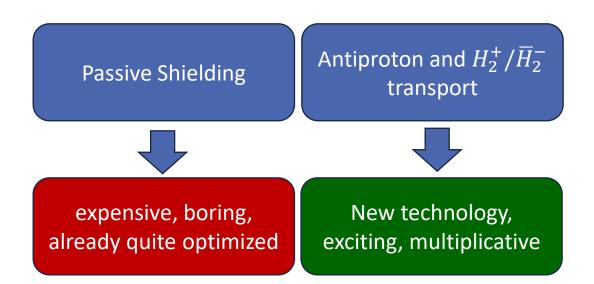


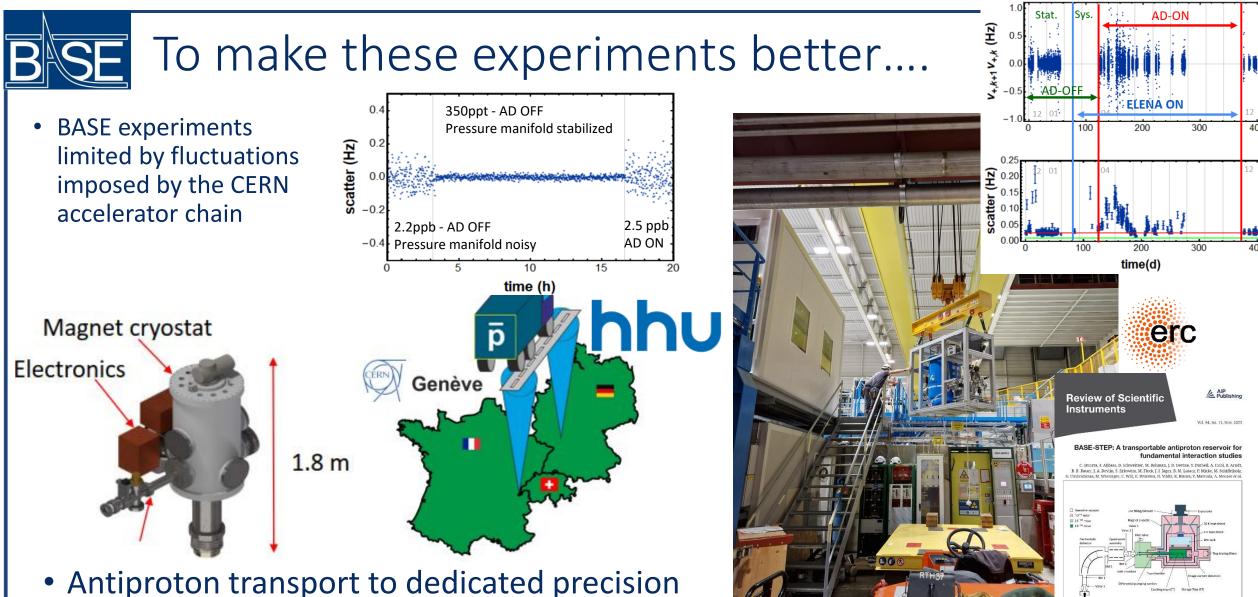


 If you want to be 50 years old, and still as happy about christmas as a 5 year old child – JOIN BASE!

	BASE-CERN	State of art (other exp.)
Frequency ratio scatter	1700 ppt	50 ppt
(AD shutdown)	250 ppt – 800 ppt	
Quality measurement time	Nights & weekends in shutdown periods (5 months/year) 15% duty cycle	24/7 100% duty cycle

Are not anymore naturally progressing along physics ideas, and spend a good amount of time «waiting» for the accelerator to shut-off.





- Antiproton transport to dedicated precision laboratory space at HHU Düsseldorf.
- New chair to support BASE Physics created at HHU in 2022 clear long-term perspective of BASE Physics program
- SFB-TR (DFG), with several BASE-related projects involved, in preparation (HHU/Mainz).





Transport of Protons



Task List

1.) Load protons into an open trap system

2.) Observe the particles and check the vacuum (no loss detected)

3.) Disconnect the device from the installation in the zone

4.) Crane out of the hall

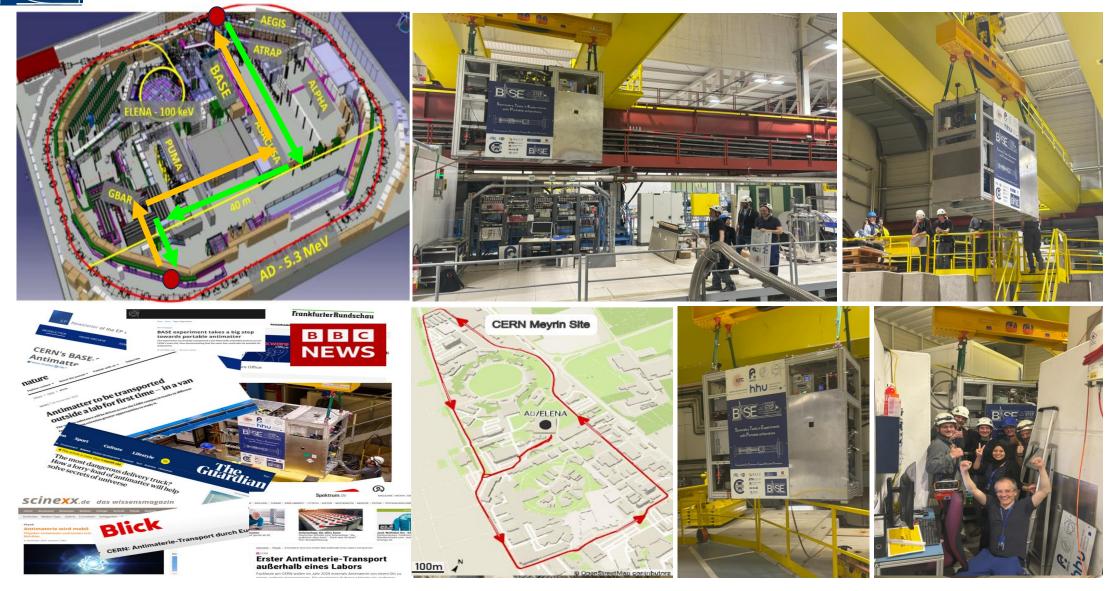
5.) Drive it around on a truck at CERN

6.) Move back to experiment zone

7.) Continue experiments

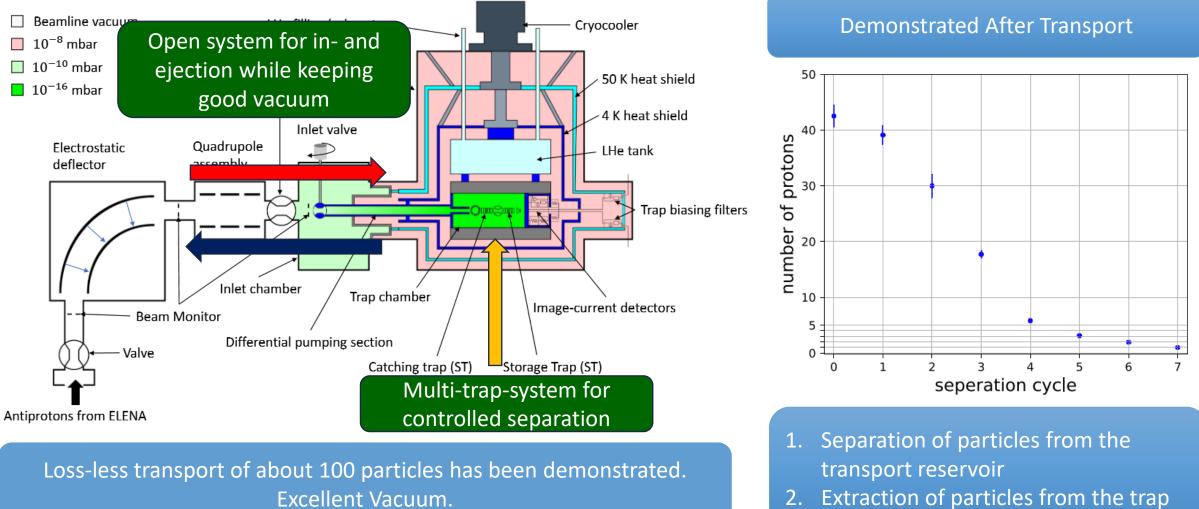
8.) Extract particles

BSE BASE-STEP-Transport – Loaded with Protons



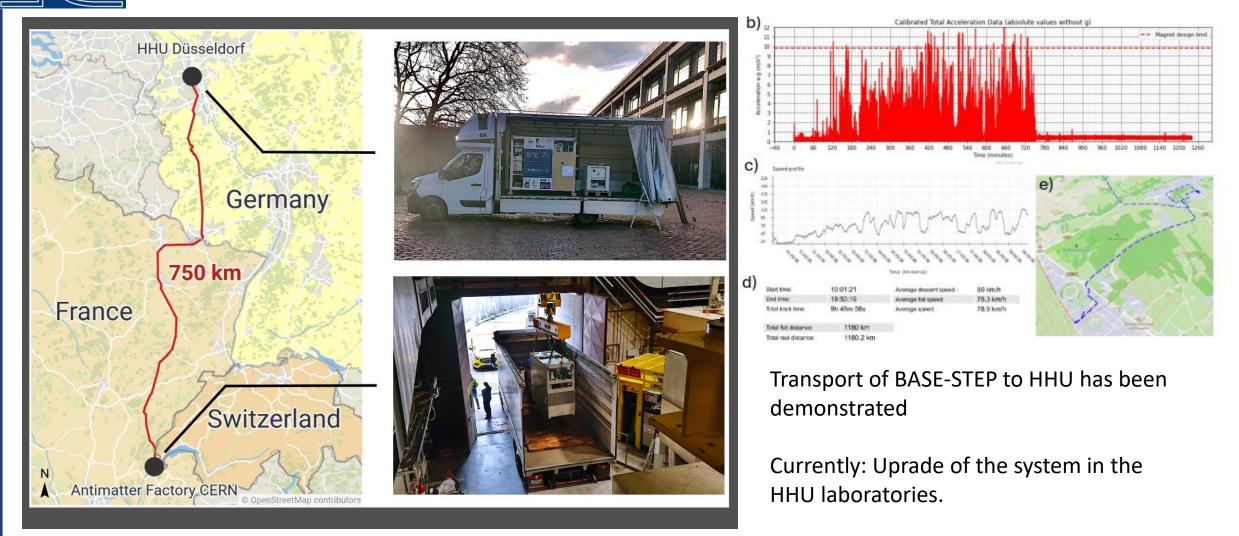
Particle Extraction

• Gabrielse transported electrons in a **closed and pinched single-trap** in 1993.



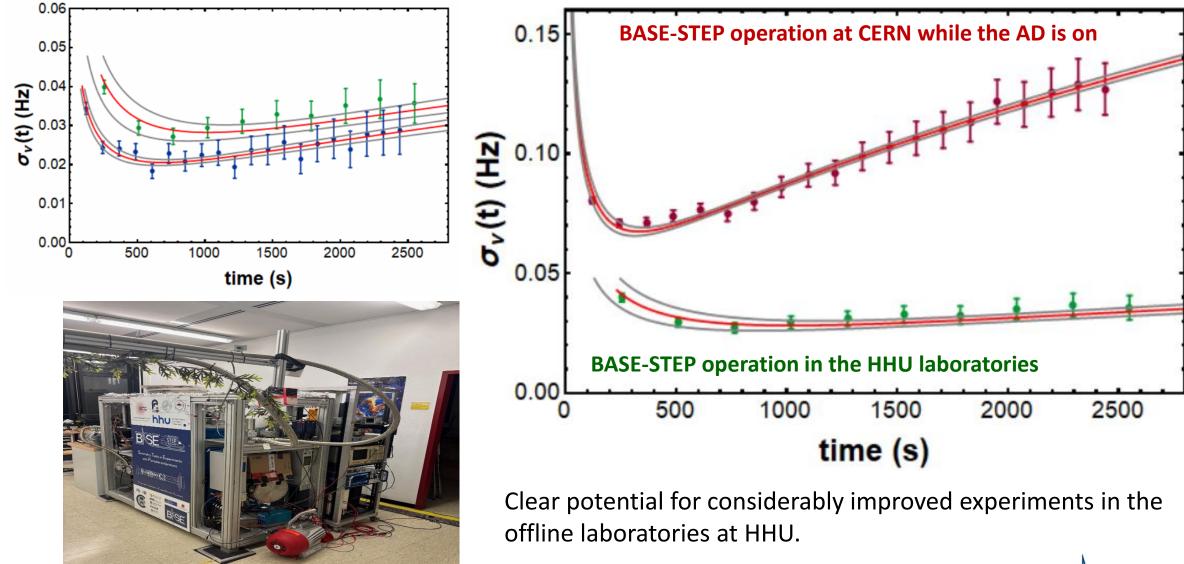
Excellent Vacuum.

Transport of STEP to HHU Düsseldorf



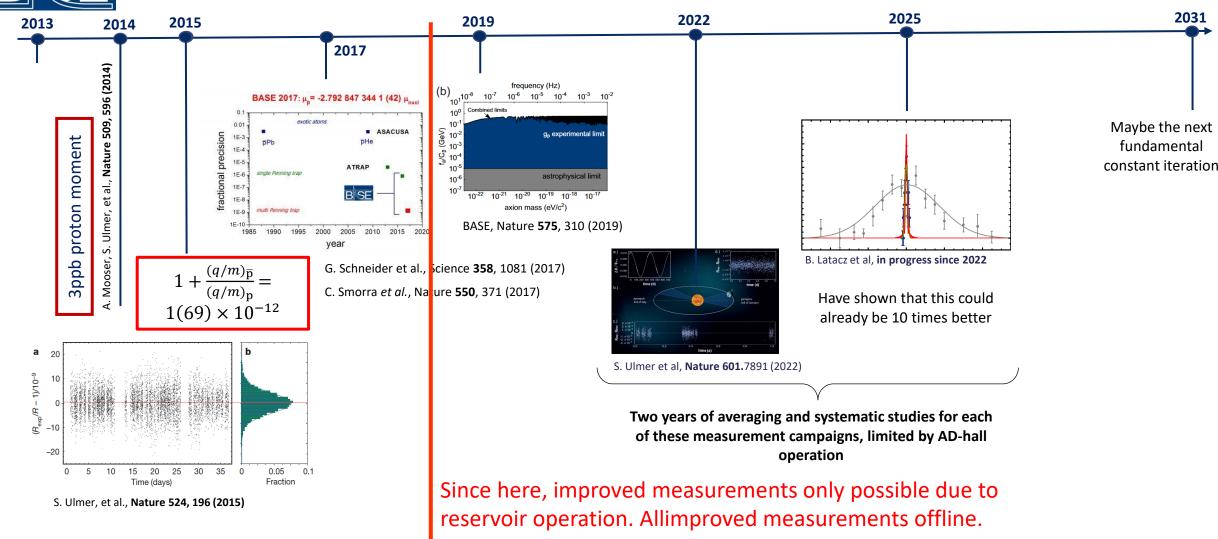
Plans: First antiproton transport in 2025

Performance of STEP at HHU





BASE Tracking Record – Fundamental Constants



BASE getting slower – in particular due to AD operation in the background.

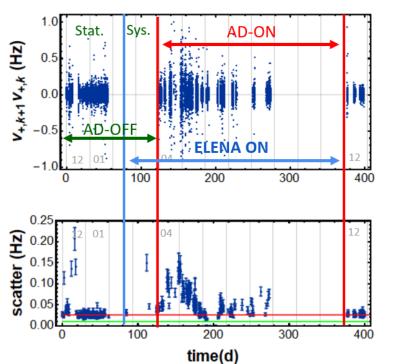
SE Reason: BASE/AD Interaction

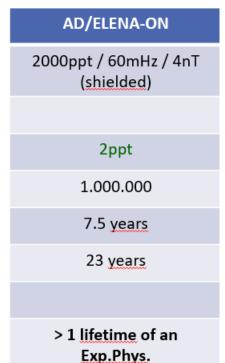






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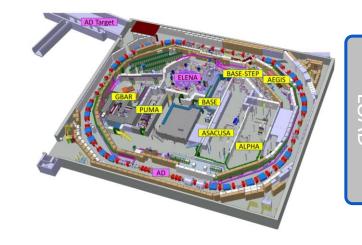
Operating BASE in the AD/ELENA Facility feels a bit like owning a 300PS sports-car with engine throttled to 50PS

BASE-CERN – Offline Laboratory

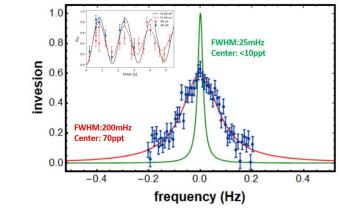
- We request an offline laboratory for BASE-CERN, on the CERN campus, to be supplied with antiprotons from the AD-hall.
- Plan: Move BASE from the AD into this offline laboratory.
- Wish List:
 - At least 70 m^2 , better 100 m^2 of space.
 - Air conditioning and temperature stabilization to fluctuations below 200 mK during the day.
 - Magnetic background fluctuations at amplitudes below 10 nT or better.
 - Connection to the LHe recovery-manifold of CERN.
 - Optimal would be a space, that has access to an industry crane for dewar handling and to place the large equipment.
 - A total hight of >4.5 m to be able to take care of the cryo-liquid maintenance with the existing flexible transfer-lines.

Guaranteed: 100-fold improved measurements of the antiproton fundamental properties at much improved iteration rate.

A lot of headroom for additional ideas: operation of two experiments to synchonuously measure moments and mass ratios, antihydrogen molecular ion







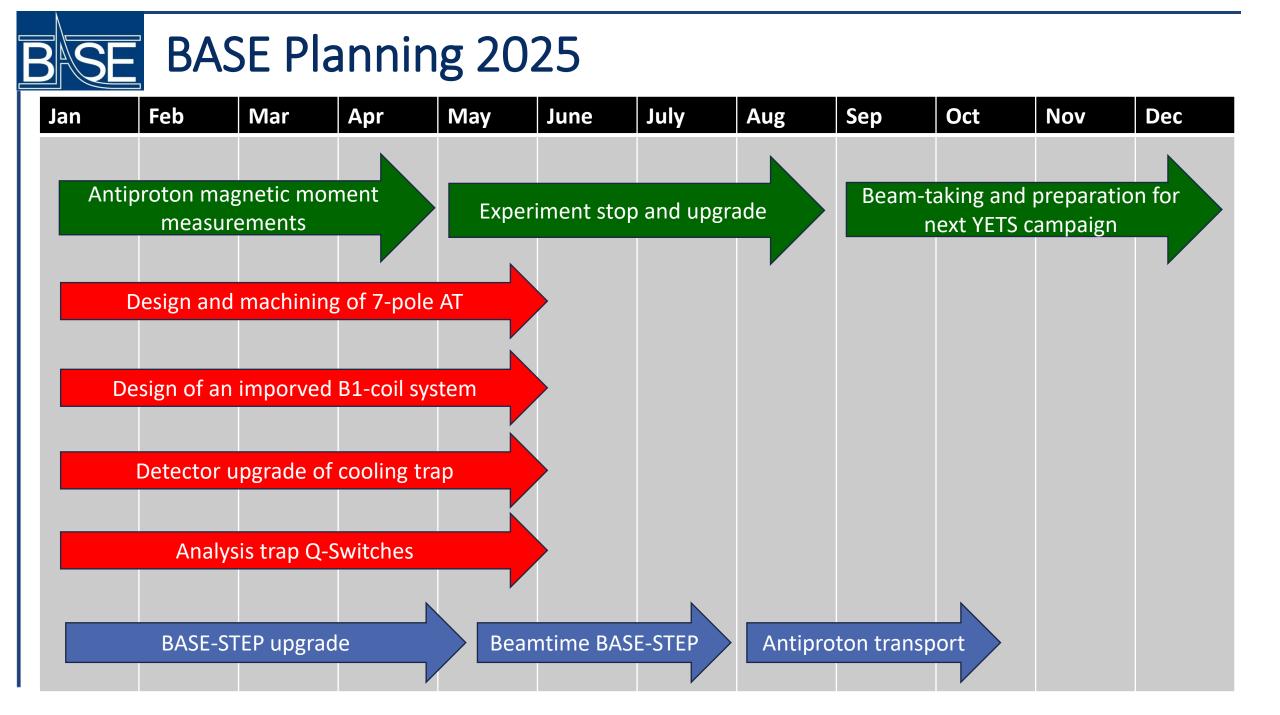
E Precision Offline Laboratory at CERN

- If space for not only one trap experiment operate magnetic moment and charge to mass ratio measurements in parallel
- Place an antiproton container in the corner loaded with 100000 pbars and sample lifetime to millions of years...
- Parallelled measurements in different orientations
- Open an exotic physics program beyond antiproton, e.g. do spectroscopy on Pb^{81+} and U^{91+}
- Place in parallel a lepton moment experiment there to perform most precise tests of the SM at CERN (QED sector)

- **Guaranteed:** 100-fold improved measurement of the antiproton fundamental properties.
- Multiplicative impact to many additional antimatter experiments, opening new branches of physics:

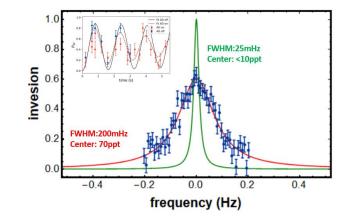
Antimatter Molecule Spectroscopy Muonic Antihydrogen Antihydrogen transport Quantum Logic

Of course – if we talk about an offline laboratory for BASE, why not talking about an offline building for the entire AD community and other ultra-highprecision efforts that could be attracted to CERN???





- Measurement of the antiproton magnetic moment with a statistical resolution of about 100ppt. Systematic studies ongoing.
- Great progress with phase sensitive detection of the axial oscillator in the AT, which is an important step towards a double trap measurement.
- Great progress in phase sensitive detection of the cyclotron oscillator for a fully coherent single particle measurement of the antiproton moment.
- Spin cohérence equivalent to 24mHz line-width has been demonstrated.
- First proton transport in BASE STEP demonstrated. Goal: Transport pbars in 2025.



All methods to measure the green resonance demonstrated: Not implemented into the experiment scheme, due to a lack of calm offline time – we would anyway not be able to do all the systematic studies at the required resolution in the only 3 calm months per year which we have available



We request an offline laboratory at CERN, please support this request...

