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MEASUREMENT OF HYPERFINE STRUCTURE OF ANTIHYDROGEN AT CERN

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MOTIVATION

No observation of antimatter universe: asymmetry at the cosmological scale



No violation of CPT observed to date: symmetry at the microscopic scale



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STANDARD MODEL EXTENSION

Standard Model extension (SME)

Bluhm, Kostelecky and Russel (PRL 82)

D. Colladay and V. A. Kostelecky, Phys. Rev. D 55 (1997) 6760

$$(i\gamma^{\mu}D_{\mu} - m_{e} - a^{e}_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu} - b^{e}_{\mu}\gamma_{5}\gamma^{\mu})$$
CPT and Lorentz violation
$$\frac{1}{2}H^{e}_{\mu\nu}\sigma^{\mu\nu} + ic^{e}_{\mu\nu}\gamma^{\mu}D^{\nu} + id^{e}_{\mu\nu}\gamma_{5}\gamma^{\mu}D^{\nu})\psi = 0$$
Lorentz violation

includes

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- Lorentz invariance (LI) violating
- Charge-Parity-Time invariance (CPT) (& LI) violating

terms in the Lagrangian

Parameters a, d, and H reverse sign for antihydrogen

Parameters a and b have a dimension of energy

Not relative, but **absolute** precision matters

STATUS OF CPT TESTS



• "Best CPT test": $K^0-K^0 \Delta m/m \sim 10^{-18} \Leftrightarrow 10^5 \text{ Hz}$

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- Relatively accuracy of 10^{-4} of \overline{H} GS-HFS (~1 GHz × $10^{-4} = 10^5$ Hz) can already be competitive
- CPT violation might appear in one physical system, but not in another



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Measured CPT quantities:

quantity	value
$\Delta_{\rm CPT}(m_{\rm e})$	$< 8 \times 10^{-9}$
$\Delta_{\rm CPT}(m_{\rm p})$	$< 2 \times 10^{-9}$
$\Delta_{\rm CPT}(g_{\rm e})$	$(-0.5 \pm 2.1) \times 10^{-12}$
$\Delta_{\rm CPT}(\mu_{\rm p})$	$(-0.1 \pm 2.1) \times 10^{-3}$

THEORETICAL INTRODUCTION

Interaction between (anti)proton and electron (positron) magnetic moments



Between F = 1 and F = 0:

$$\nu_{\rm HF} = \frac{16}{3} \left(\frac{m_p}{m_p + m_e}\right)^3 \frac{m_e}{m_p} \frac{\mu_p}{\mu_N} \alpha^2 c R_\infty (1+\delta) \simeq 1.42 \text{ GHz}$$

 ν HF is appr. proportional to the (anti)proton magnetic moment $\mu_{\bar{p}}$

- δ : higher-order QED & strong interaction corrections: ~10⁻³
- Theoretical uncertainty on δ : ~10⁻⁶

MEASUREMENT PRINCIPLE

- Highest precision for hydrogen: 10⁻¹² with hydrogen maser
- But maser is not possible for antihydrogen

- Spectroscopy with trapped antihydrogen: lower precision due to strong confining field
- Good candidate: atomic beam with RF resonance
- 1) no \overline{H} trapping needed \rightarrow no need for ultra-cold (< 1 K) \overline{H}





MEASUREMENT PRINCIPLE



- 1.an inhomogeneous magnetic field \rightarrow a "cusp field" selects spin state
- 2. a microwave cavity flips the spin

3. a sextupole magnetic field analyzes spin state

INGREDIENTS FOR \overline{H}



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CUSP "TRAP"

Anti-Helmholtz coil

- Multi-ring electrodes
- axially symmetric B and E
- **H** are formed in a nested well







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Detector: hodoscope read-out by SiPM, central detector records annihilation

Trigger is based on a hit over threshold in the central segmented scintillator

Signal filtering based on the # of hits in the hodoscope Good (5Gbs/s) timing resolution can discriminate between out-of coincidence hits in detector from background annihilations)







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STRATEGY

Goal: determine $\nu_{\rm HF}$ at B = 0

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but we can only measure $\nu \sigma \& \nu \pi$ at $B \gtrsim 1$ G

Two methods to obtain $\nu_{\rm HF}$ if $\Delta B \leq 0.02$ G: measure $\nu_{\sigma} \& \nu_{\pi}$ at one B, and calculate $\nu_{\rm HF}$ Experimentally more challenging But higher precision: ~10⁻⁷

> if $\Delta B \gtrsim 0.1$ G: measure $\nu_{\sigma} \& B$ at several B's, and extrapolate to B = 0Easier to realize But lower precision: $\sim 5 \times 10^{-7}$



SIMULATION & DATA



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simulation done at 1G, T=5K

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cosmic events in the CPT detector



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FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS

Upgrade:

- Detector (addition of calorimeter, second layer of hodoscope, new silicon boards)
- CUSP (new MRE)
- New positron source

Hydrogen beam:

- permanent sextupoles create polarized hydrogen beam
- QMS detect GS hydrogen







FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS

Ongoing: Rabi method





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Antihydrogen promises one of best CPT tests in baryon sector but high-precision experiments need Care, Particles and Time!

CERN-AD is unique in the world

More low-energy antiprotons needed

- ELENA upgrade at CERN (recently approved, start 2017)
- FLAIR at FAIR (next decade)

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