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Precision measurements of the (anti)proton mass and magnetic moment



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BASE – Collaboration

- Mainz: Measurement of the magnetic moment of the proton, implementation of new technologies.
- **CERN Antiproton Decelerator:** Measurement of the magnetic moment of the antiproton and proton/antiproton q/m ratio

• Hannover/PTB:

Laser cooling project, new technologies





Institutes: RIKEN, MPI-K, CERN, University of Mainz, Tokyo University, GSI Darmstadt, University of Hannover, PTB Braunschweig







C. Smorra et al., EPJ-Special Topics, The BASE Experiment, (2015)





WE HAVE A PROBLEM



mechanism which created the obvious baryon/antibaryon asymmetry in the Universe is not understood



One strategy: Compare the fundamental properties of matter / antimatter conjugates



with ultra-high precision









Limits on Exotic Physics

• Experiments test the Standard Model for exotic interactions

$$i\gamma^{\mu}D_{\mu}-m-a_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu}-b_{\mu}\gamma_{5}\gamma^{\mu})\psi=0$$

Dirac equation CPT-odd modifications

$$b_{\mu}\gamma_{5}\gamma^{\mu} \rightarrow b_{\chi}\begin{pmatrix} -\sigma_{\chi} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \sigma_{\chi} \end{pmatrix} + b_{y}\begin{pmatrix} -\sigma_{y} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \sigma_{y} \end{pmatrix} + b_{z}\begin{pmatrix} -\sigma_{z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \sigma_{z} \end{pmatrix}$$

Boson field exclusively coupling to antimatter

$$\Delta V_{int} = b_{z,D} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \pm \boldsymbol{\sigma}_z \end{pmatrix}$$

 $H\psi = (H_0 + V_{exotic})\psi$

 $\Delta E_{exotic} = \langle \psi | V_{exotic} | \psi \rangle$

V. A. Kostelecky, N. Russell,

0801.0287v10 (2017).



Single particles in Penning traps test the SM at an energy resolution of 10⁻²⁴ to 10⁻²⁶ GeV

sensitive: comparisons of particle/antiparticle magnetic moments in traps





- -> Degrader -> 1keV
- -> Electron cooling -> 0.1 eV
- -> Resistive cooling -> 0.000 3 eV
- -> Feedback cooling -> 0.000 09 eV

Within a production/deceleration cycle of 120s + 300s of preparation time we bridge 14 orders of magnitude



The BASE Apparatus at CERN





RT: Reservoir trap PT: Precision trap CT: Cooling trap AT: Analysis trap





BSE Proton/Antiproton Charge-to-Mass Comparison





S. Ulmer et al., Nature 524, 196 (2015)

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Measurements in Penning traps

Cyclotron Motion





Larmor Precession



S. Ulmer, A. Mooser *et al.* PRL 106, 253001 (2011)

Determinations of the q/m ratio and g-factor reduce to measurements of frequency ratios -> in principle very simple experiments -> full control, (almost) no theoretical corrections required.

g: magnetic moment in units of

SE Frequency Measurements

• Measurement of tiny image currents induced in trap electrodes



- In thermal equilibrium:
 - Particles short noise in parallel
 - Appear as a dip in detector spectrum
 - Width of the dip -> number of particles

$$\Delta \nu = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{R}{m} \left(\frac{q}{D}\right)^2 \cdot N$$



H. Nagahama et al., Rev. Sci. Instrum. 87, 113305 (2016)



SE Measurement configuration

Extract antiprotons and H⁻ ions, compare cyclotron frequencies





Proton to Antiproton Q/M: Physics



$$\frac{(q/m)_{\overline{p}}}{(q/m)_{p}} + 1 = 1(69) \times 10^{-12}$$

- In agreement with CPT conservation
- Exceeds the energy resolution of previous result by a factor of 4.

S. Ulmer, et al., Nature 524, 196 (2015)





Larmor Frequency – extremely hard

Measurement based on continuous Stern-Gerlach effect.

Energy of magnetic dipole in magnetic field

$$\Phi_M = -(\overrightarrow{\mu_p} \cdot \overrightarrow{B})$$

Leading order magnetic field correction

$$B_z = B_0 + B_2 \left(z^2 - \frac{\rho^2}{2} \right)$$

This term adds a spin dependent quadratic axial potential -> Axial frequency becomes a function of the spin state

$$\Delta v_z \sim \frac{\mu_p B_2}{m_p v_z} := \alpha_p \frac{B_2}{v_z}$$

$$B_2 \sim 0.3 \ T/mm^2$$

 $\Delta v_z \sim \frac{\mu_p D_2}{m_p v_z} := \alpha_p \frac{D_2}{v_z}$ - Very difficult for the proton/antiproton system. $B_2 \sim 0.3 T/mm^2$ - Most extreme magnetic conditions ever applied to single particle. particle.

$$\Delta v_z \sim 170 \ mHz$$





Frequency Measurement

Spin is detected and analyzed via an axial frequency measurement





Single Penning trap method is limited to the ppm level



The holy-grail: single antiproton spin flips



• First non-destructive observation of single antiproton spin quantum transitions.



The Magnetic Moment of the Antiproton







G. Schneider *et al.*, Science **358**, 1081 (2017)
$$\frac{g_p}{2} = 2.792\ 847\ 344\ 62\ (82)$$
$$\frac{g_{\overline{p}}}{2} = 2.792\ 847\ 344\ 1\ (42)$$

C. Smorra et al., Nature 550, 371 (2017)



3000-fold improvement in g factor difference

$$f_p^{\,0} = \left(\frac{g_{\bar{p}}}{2} - \frac{g_p}{2}\right) \frac{\mu_N}{2}$$



The Antiproton Magnetic Moment

A milestone measurement in antimatter physics

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A parts-per-billion measurement of the antiproton magnetic moment

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Experiment of the moment

The BASE collaboration at CERN has measured the antiproton magnetic moment with extraordinary precision, offering more than 100-fold improved limits on certain tests of charge-parity-time symmetry.

The enigma of why the universe contains more matter than intimatter has been with us for more than half a century. While charge-parity (CP) violation can, in principle, account for the existence of such an imbalance, the observed matter excess is about nine orders of magnitude larger than what is expected from known CP-violating sources within the Standard Model (SM). This striking discrepancy inspires searches for additional mechanisms for the universe's buryon asymmetry, among which are experiments that test fundamental charge-parity-time (CPT) invariance by comparing matter and antimatter with great precision. Any measured difference between the two would constitute a dramatic sign of new physics. Moreover, experiments with antimatter systems provide unique tests of hypothetical processes beyond the SM that cannot be uncovered with ordinary matter systems

The Baryon Antiburyon Symmetry Experiment (BASE) at CERN, in addition to several other collaborations at the Antiproton Decelerator (AD), probes the universe through exclusive ntinutter "microscopes" with ever higher resolution. In 2017, following many years of effort at CERN and the University of Mainz in Germany, the BASE team measured the mannetic moment of the antiproton with a precision 350 times better than by any other experiment before, reaching a relative precision of 1.5 parts per billion (tigare 1). The result followed the develop-

ment of a multi-

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two-particle measurement method and, for a short period, represented the first time that antimatter had been measured mor precisely than matter

Non-destructive physics

The BASE result relies on a quan observe soin transitions of a single antiproton in a non-destructive manner. In experimental physics, non-destructive observations of quantum effects are usually accompanied by a tremendous increase in measurement precision. For example, the non-destructive observation of electronic transitions in atoms or ions led to the development of optical frequency standards that achieve fractional precisions on the 10⁻¹⁴ level. Another example, allowing one of the most precise tests of CPT invariance to date, is the comparison of the electron and positron g-factors. Based on quantum nondemolition detection of the spin state, such studies during the 1980s reached a tractional accuracy on the parts-per-trillion level. The latest BASE measurement follows the same scheme but tar gets the magnetic moment of protons and antiprotons instead of electrons and positrons. This opens tests of CPT in a totally difterent particle system, which could behave entirely differently. In ractice, however, the transfer of quantum measurement methods from the electron/positron to the proton/antipro ton system constitutes a considerable challenge owing to the

CERN COURIER, 3 / 2018.

detect the spin-flips of single trapped protons and antiproton

Penning-trap system used by BASE to



C. Smorra et al., Nature 550, 371 (2017).



BASE achievements since 2011







Partly comparable work by J. DiSciacca, G. Gabrielse et al.. (ATRAPT

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Thanks for your attention!



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Planned Developments – Sympathetic Cooling of pbars

- Current antiproton magnetic moment measurements are limited by particle preparation time and particle mode temperature
- Expect: With traditional methods another 50-fold improvement is possible, afterwards: limit of traditional methods will be reached!



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Summary and Outlook

- Performed a 69 p.p.t. test of CPT invariance with baryons by comparing proton/antiproton charge-to-mass ratios
- Performed the most precise measurement of the proton magnetic moment with a fractional precision of 0.3 p.p.b.
- Performed the most precise measurement of the antiproton magnetic moment with a fractional precision of 1.5 p.p.b.







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BASE 2017: µ = -2.792 847 344 1 (42) µ ,uc

What inspires experiments with antimatter?

- 1. Big Bang scenario supported by
 - 1. Hubbles law
 - 2. Discovery of CMWB with a black body spectrum of 2.73(1)K, by far too intense to be of stellar origin.
 - 3. BBN scenario describes exactly the observed light element abundances as found in «cold» stellar nebulae.
- 2. Using the models which successfully describe 1., 2. and 3.:

| Prediction | | Observation | |
|-------------------------|-------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Baryon/Photon Ratio | 10-18 | Baryon/Photon Ratio | 10 ⁻⁹ |
| Baryon/Antibaryon Ratio | 1 | Baryon/Antibaryon Ratio | 10000 |



Following the current Standard Model of the Universe our predictions of baryon to photon ratio are wrong by about 9 orders of magnitude while our baryon/antibaryon ratio is wrong by about four orders of magnitude.



Antimatter and Dark Matter

- Given our current understanding of the Universe there are several problems
 - Energy content of the universe has **yet to be understood**.
 - We even **do not understand** why these 5% of baryonic matter exist.

Could these problems be related?



Search for time-base signatures in antimatter data, mediated by axion / antiproton coupling:

$$H_{\text{int}}(t) \approx \frac{C_{\bar{p}}a_0}{2f_a} \sin(m_a t) \,\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\bar{p}} \cdot \boldsymbol{p}_a$$

Single Trap – Double Trap – Triple Trap





two years compared to two months...



BSE Systematics

Table 1 | Error budget of the antiproton magnetic moment measurement

| Effect | Correction (p.p.b.) | Uncertainty (p.p.b.) | |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Image-charge shift | 0.05 | 0.001 | calculate |
| Relativistic shift | 0.03 | 0.003 | measure T / calculate |
| Magnetic gradient | 0.22 | 0.020 | measure / calculate |
| Magnetic bottle | 0.12 | 0.009 | measure / calculate |
| Trap potential | -0.01 | 0.001 | measure / calculate |
| Voltage drift | 0.04 | 0.020 | measure / calculate |
| Contaminants | 0.00 | 0.280 | measure / constrain |
| Drive temperature | 0.00 | 0.970 | measure / constrain |
| Spin-state analysis | 0.00 | 0.130 | measure / simulate / constrain |
| Total systematic shift | 0.44 | 1.020 | |

The table lists the relative systematic shifts (column 2) by which the measured magnetic-moment value was corrected; column 3 is the uncertainty of the correction. Details of these systematic effects and their quantification are given in Methods.

classical trap shifts

shifts induced by 2 particle approach

this dominant error is not present in double trap measurements. Has been estimated with the conservative 95% Conservative