

GBAR and Antimatter Gravity measurement

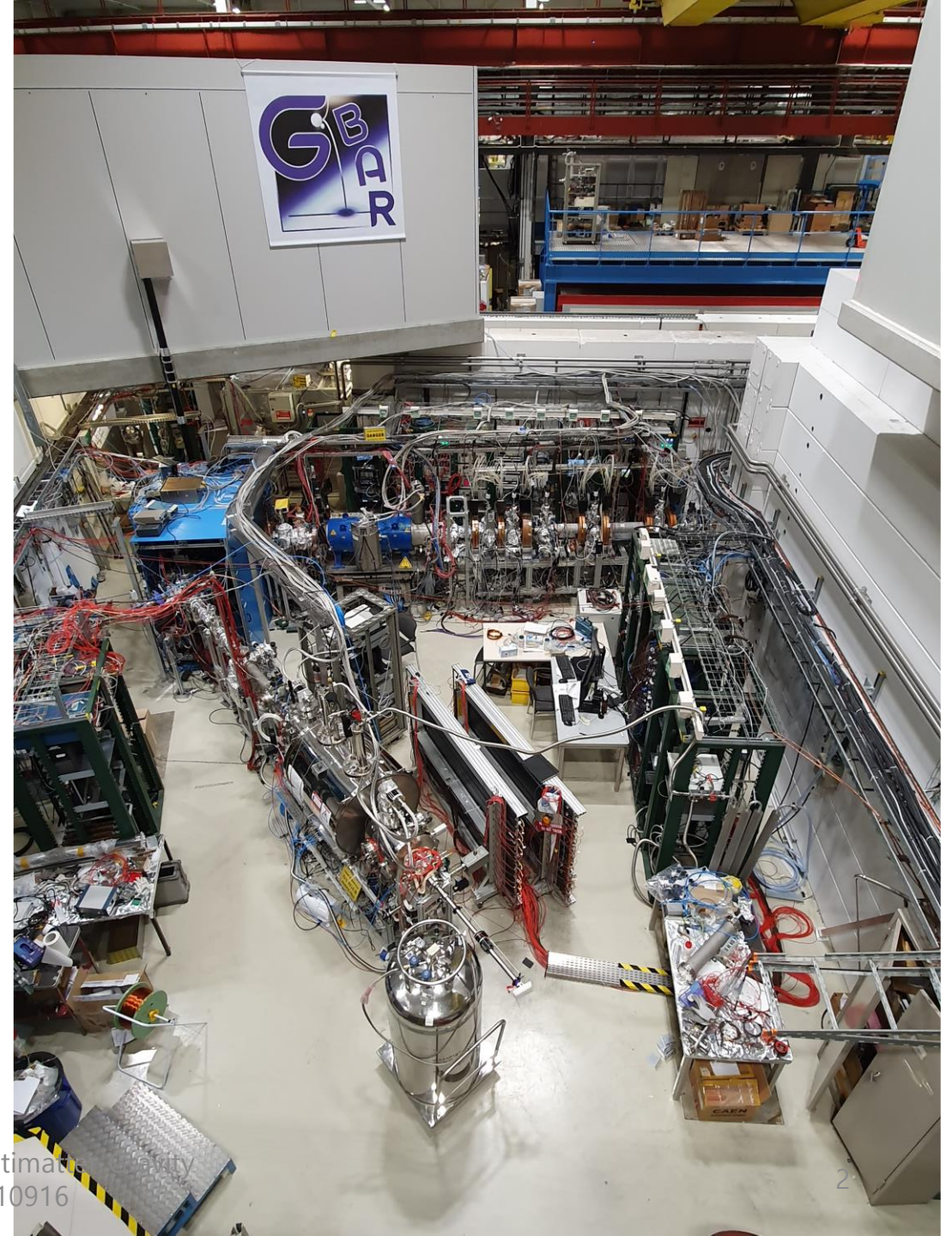
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Antimatter



- Just after the discovery of electron by J. J. Thomson, there was questions why there's no negative gold although there's negative electricity (1898)..
- After prediction by Dirac equation in 1927, antiparticles as a pair of particle had detected (positron 1932, antiproton 1955...)
- The question of anti-gravity raised at 1950s and have continuing interests about antimatter's gravity..
- For a period of 100 years, the tested properties and interactions of antimatter are agreed with the standard model which based on CPT symmetry.
- But the universe near neighborhood is totally matter dominant without any trace or remnant of antimatter and shows no proof of symmetry.
- : We are not worried about antimatter comet for example..
- With hardness of production and cooling of antimatter, there can be unknown properties of antiparticles.
- This mysterious status attracts much attention from the public. (with huge applications and fictions)

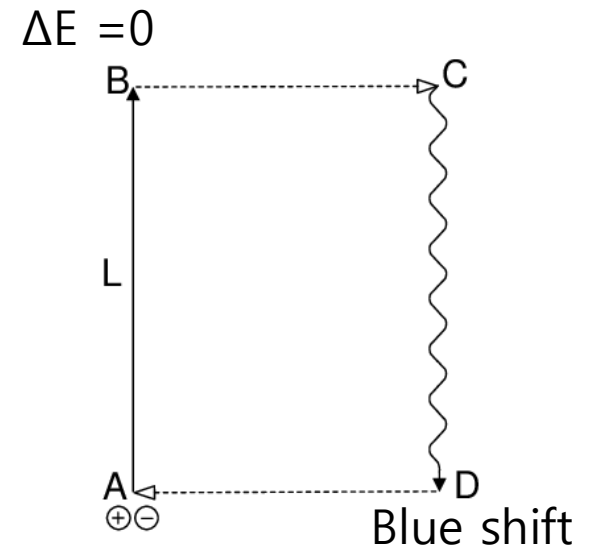


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Antimatter gravity

- Arguments about antigravity were started about 1960
 - P. Morrison (1958) : violation of energy conservation
 - ← not only tensor but with scalar and vector (component of repulsive gravity) may required..
 - other arguments by L.I. Schiff(1959), M.L. Good(1961) (M. M. Nieto and T. Goldman, Physics Reports, Volume 205, Issue 5, p. 221-281)
 - Villata "General relativity and CPT are compatible only with repulsive gravity" M. Villata, *EPL* **94**, 20001 (2011).
- Above arguments are mainly about antigravity..



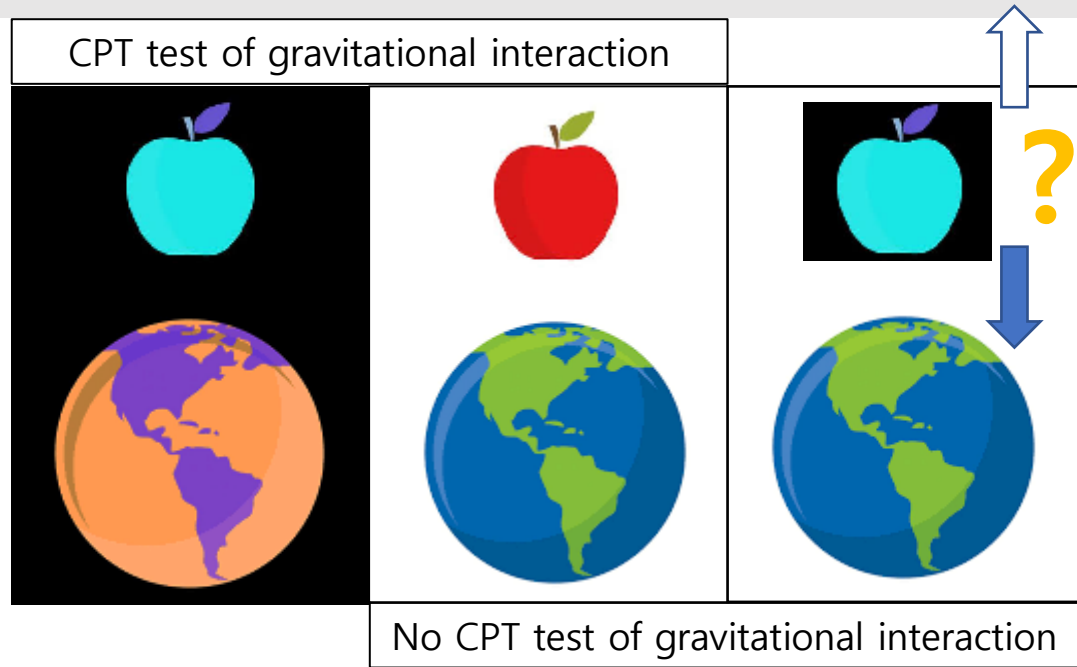
Motivation : Cosmological mysteries

★ Our understanding is very incomplete and limited..

- Matter and antimatter asymmetry
 - Matter domain in observable Hubble volume : $n_B \gg n_{\bar{B}}$
 - The standard model predicts equal amount of matter and antimatter in the universe after Bigbang..
- Unknown nature for most energy contents of universe
 - Dark energy : 69.4%, Dark matter : 26.1%, Ordinary matter : 4.5%...
 - Hard to link dark energy to particle physics, no measurement of dark matter..
- Some attempts to make a cosmological model to explain the asymmetry and to keep them apart by gravitational repulsion..

A. Benoit-Levy and G.Chardin, A&A 537, A78(2012), M.Villata, Astrophys. Space Sci. 339, 7 (2012), D. S. Hajdukovic, Int. J. Theor. Phys. 49, 1023 (2010)) can give new sight related to Dark energy and Dark matter..

Test of Weak Equivalence Principle



- $m_I = m_G$ ($F = m_I a = -G m_G m'_G / r^2$),
- $m_I = \overline{m_I}$ (by CPT)
- $m_G = m_I = \overline{m_I} = ? \overline{m_G}$

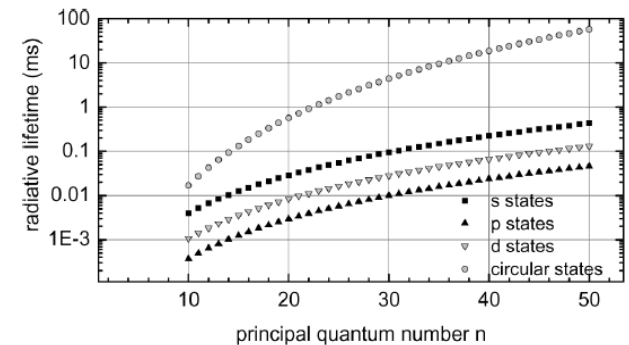
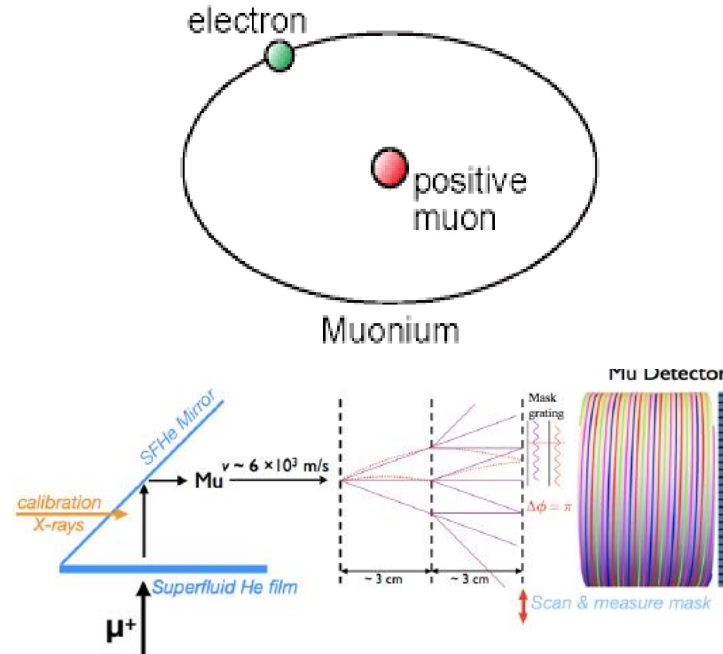
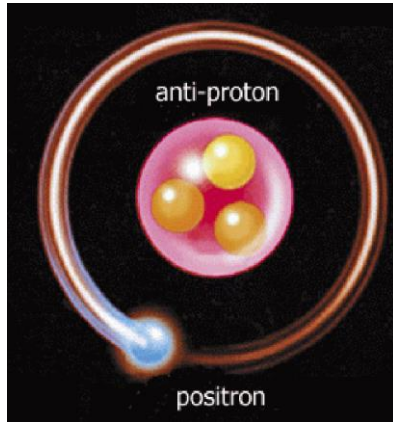
- Weak Equivalence Principle :

"The trajectory of a point mass in a gravitational field depends only on its initial position and velocity, and is independent of its composition and structure"

: The gravitational acceleration is not distinguishable with other acceleration locally **<math>m_g = m_i> equivalence between the inertial mass and the gravitational mass**

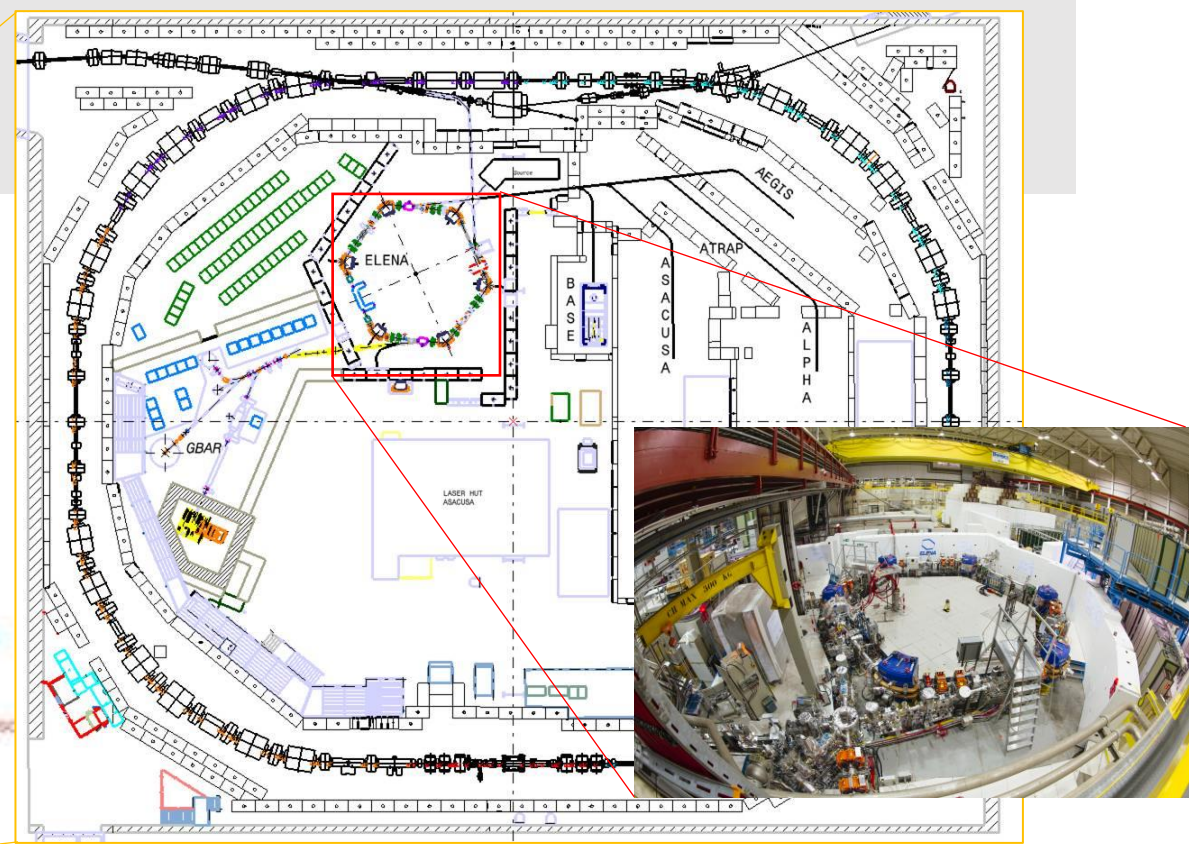
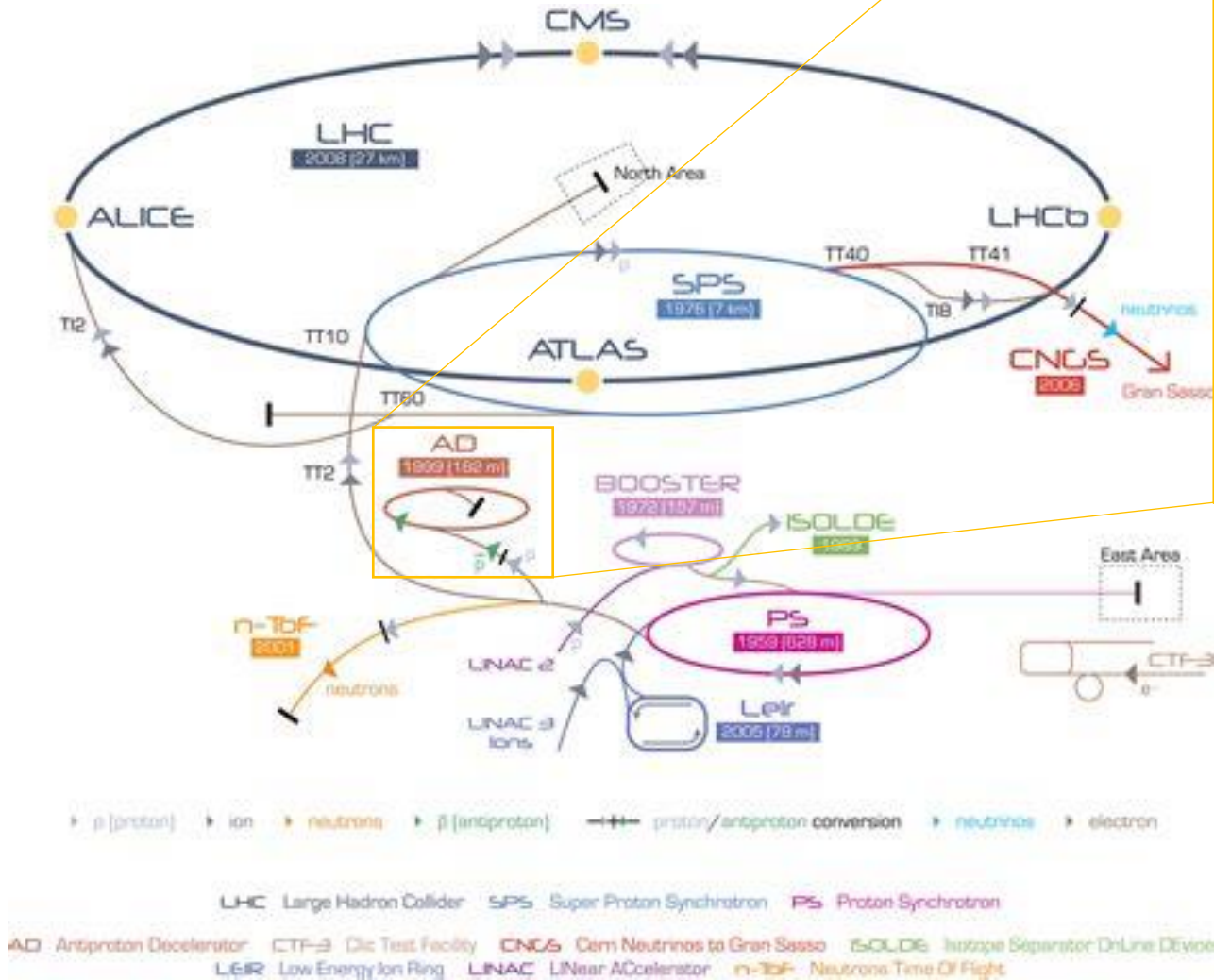
- Test between matter and earth has upper limit $\Delta(m_g/m_i)/(m_g/m_i)_{\text{Be/Ti}} = (0.3 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-13}$ (Eötvös)
- Previous attempts (positron, antiproton..) are failed because of relatively small interaction compared with effects by electric charge (patch effect, gas charges..)

Test of WEP by neutral exotic atom



- Neutral exotic atom-based experiment has been prepared : Positronium (e^+e^-), Muonium(μ^+e^-) and Antihydrogen(\bar{H}).
- Three constructing experiments using \bar{H} will be compared.
- Conceptual design of gravity measurement by muonium atom at Mage collaboration(muonium beam by superfluid He film to get monochromatic direction (1% precision goal) T. J. Philips, *EPL Web of Conferences* **181**, 01017 (2018)
- Positronium atom with long-lived Rydberg states (D. B. Cassidy and S. D. Hogan, *Int. J. Mod. Phys.: Conf. Ser.* **30**, 1460259 (2014))

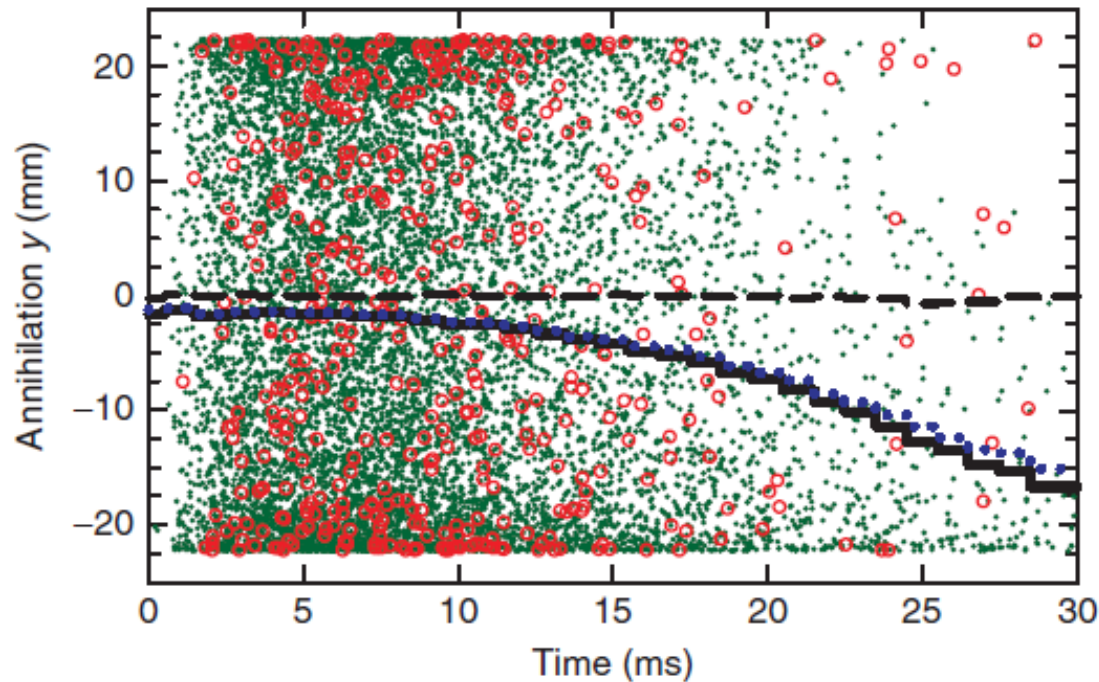
AD & ELENA



- Unique facility : low energy antiproton beam provider
- 26 GeV/c proton + Iridium target \rightarrow 3.5 GeV/c antiproton.
- 5.3 MeV (100 MeV/c) antiproton beam $2 \times 10^7 \# / 120 \text{ s}$
- ELENA : 100 keV antiproton beam ($\sigma < 100 \text{ ns}$, $0.5 \times 10^7 \# / 120 \text{ s}$: $\frac{1}{4}$ bunches) (commissioning during last beam time with GBAR experiment)

Previous measurement of antimatter gravity

Nature communications, 4, 1785 (2013)



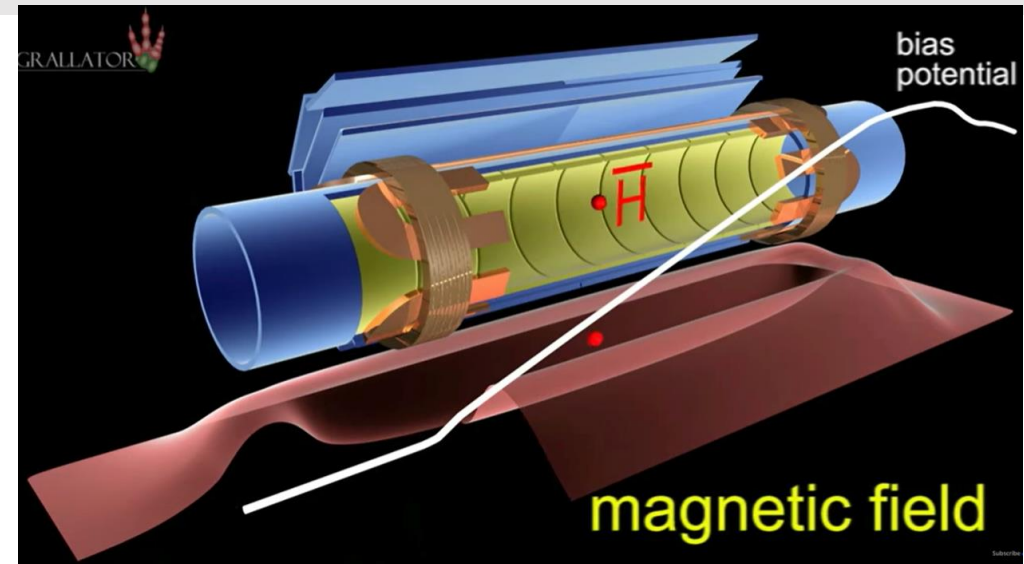
Red circle : real data (434 annihilation points)

Green point : simulation

Black solid line : averaged simulation (F=100)

Blue dotted line : averaged simulation with detector smearing (F=100)

Black dashed line : averaged simulation (F=1)

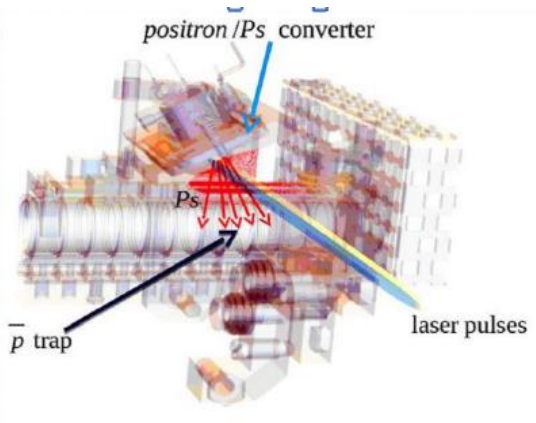


- Only one anti-hydrogen experiment was done - ALPHA experiment
- : $-65 < F (= m_g/m_i) < 110$ (95% significance level)
- The apparatus is not for gravity measurement : no control for vertical direction.
- : Too high temperature (0.5K at 0ms), vertical trapping is not optimized
- Need to cool down & make better magnetic field

Gravity test approaches

AEGIS

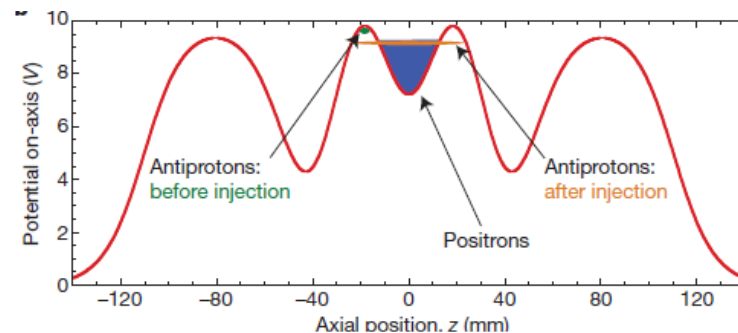
- Antihydrogen production : cold antiproton + excited o-Ps
 $\bar{p} + \text{Ps}^* \rightarrow \bar{H} + e^-$
- The antihydrogen production cross section is proportional to n_{ps}^4 (=quantum number).
- The Rydberg Ps has longer lifetime than o-Ps ($\tau=142\text{ns}$)



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ALPHA-g

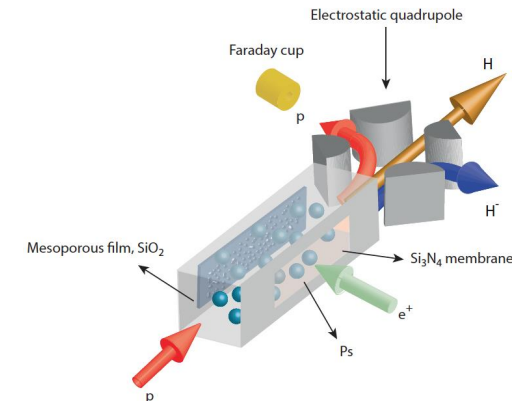
- Antihydrogen production : cold antiproton + positron
 $\bar{p} + e^+ \rightarrow \bar{H} + \gamma$
 $\bar{p} + e^+ + e^+ \rightarrow \bar{H} + e^+$
- Nested-well potential for mixing.
- Antihydrogen production & trapping ($\Delta E = -\mu \cdot B$) by octupole field in same trap



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GBAR

- Antihydrogen ion production : antiproton + positronium x 2
 $\bar{p} + \text{Ps}^{(*)} \rightarrow \bar{H} + e^-$
 $\bar{H} + \text{Ps}^{(*)} \rightarrow \bar{H}^+ + e^-$
- The antihydrogen ion production cross section is proportional to ρ_{ps}^2 .
- Produce dense o-Ps cloud by cavity shaped positronium target.

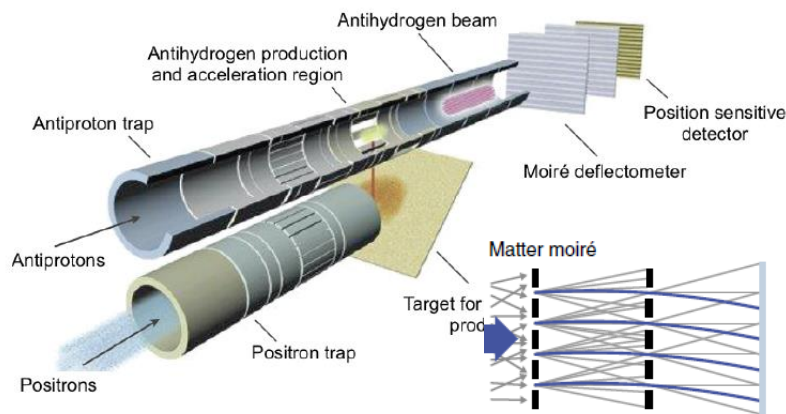


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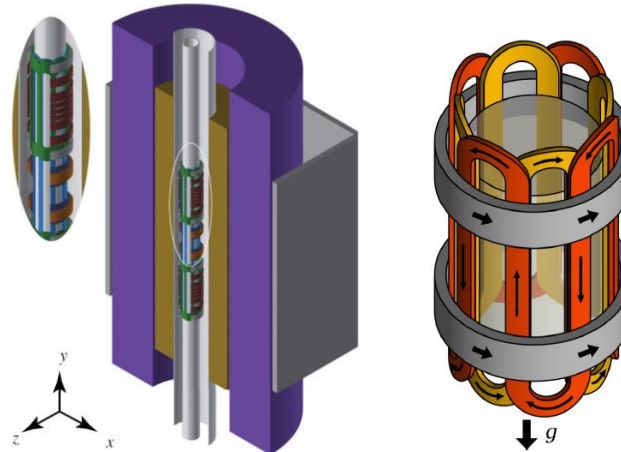
AEGIS

- Pulsed Antihydrogen beam (2021)
- Moiré deflectometer tested by \bar{p} . (nature communications 5, 4538 (2014))
→ Pattern will be compared with one from light
- Aim : $\sim 100\text{mK}$ ($v \sim 40\text{m/s}$)
- 1% precision with 1000# \bar{H} .



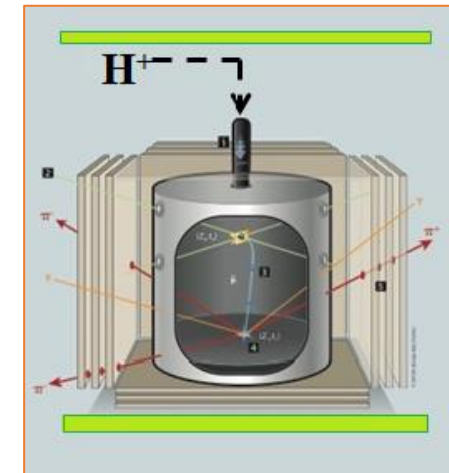
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- Antihydrogen trapping (0.5K)
- + Vertical trap (280mm long)
- Aim (1%) : **sub-50mK** ($v \sim 28\text{m/s}$) temperature by extra cooling by laser & precise measurement of magnetic field

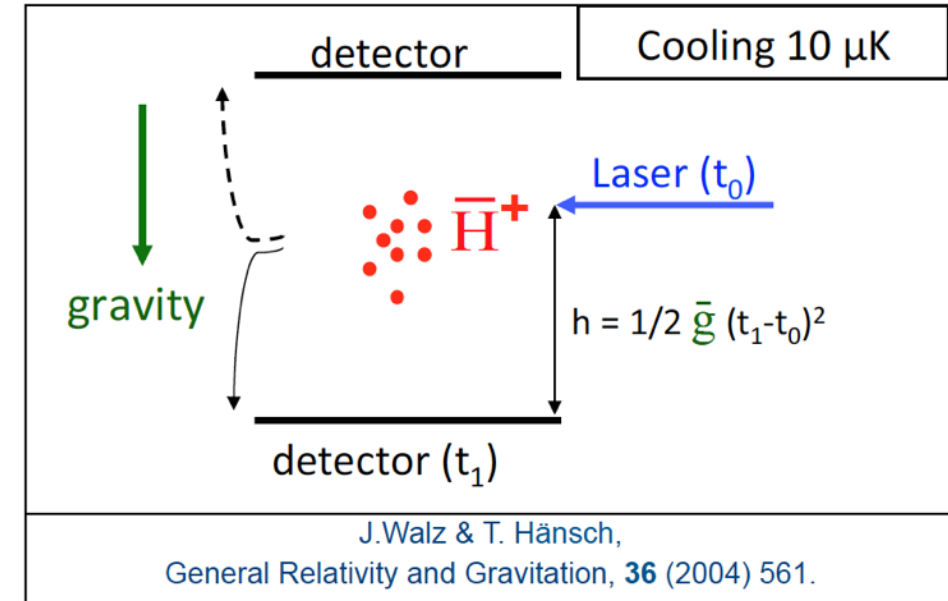
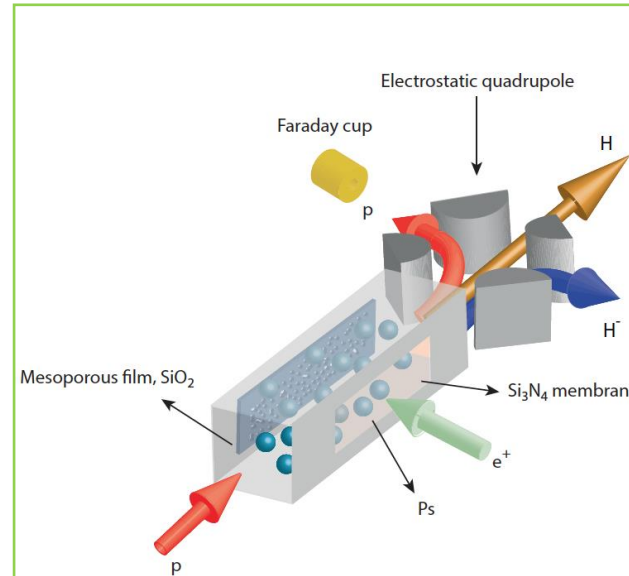
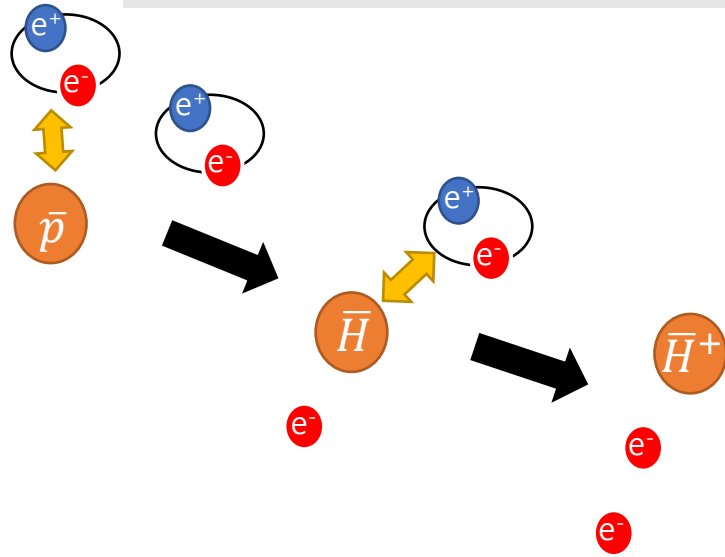


GBAR

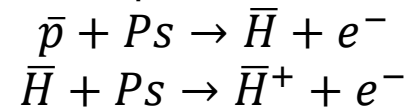
- Antihydrogen ion production
- Trapping and cooling antihydrogen ion.
- Classical Freefall test ($z=0.25\text{m}$)
- Aim : **10uK** ($v \sim 0.4\text{m/s}$)
- 1% precision with 1500# \bar{H} .



GBAR experiment approach

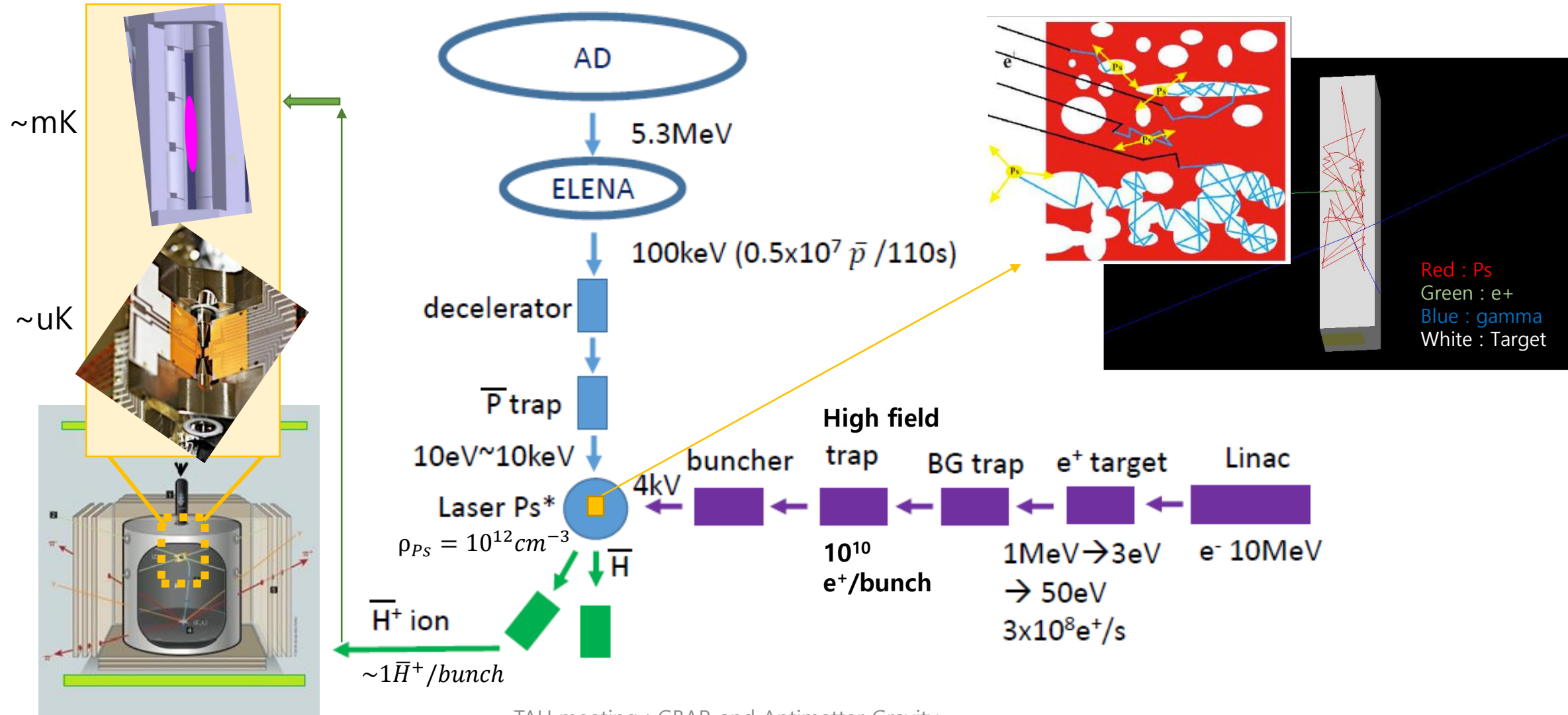


- GBAR (Gravitational Behaviour of Antihydrogen at Rest) experiment aims a direct measurement of the gravitational acceleration of antihydrogen at terrestrial gravitational field by a classical freefall test.
- Antihydrogen ion production is required to get ultra-cold antihydrogen.
- Double charge exchange process between antiproton beam and dense positronium cloud

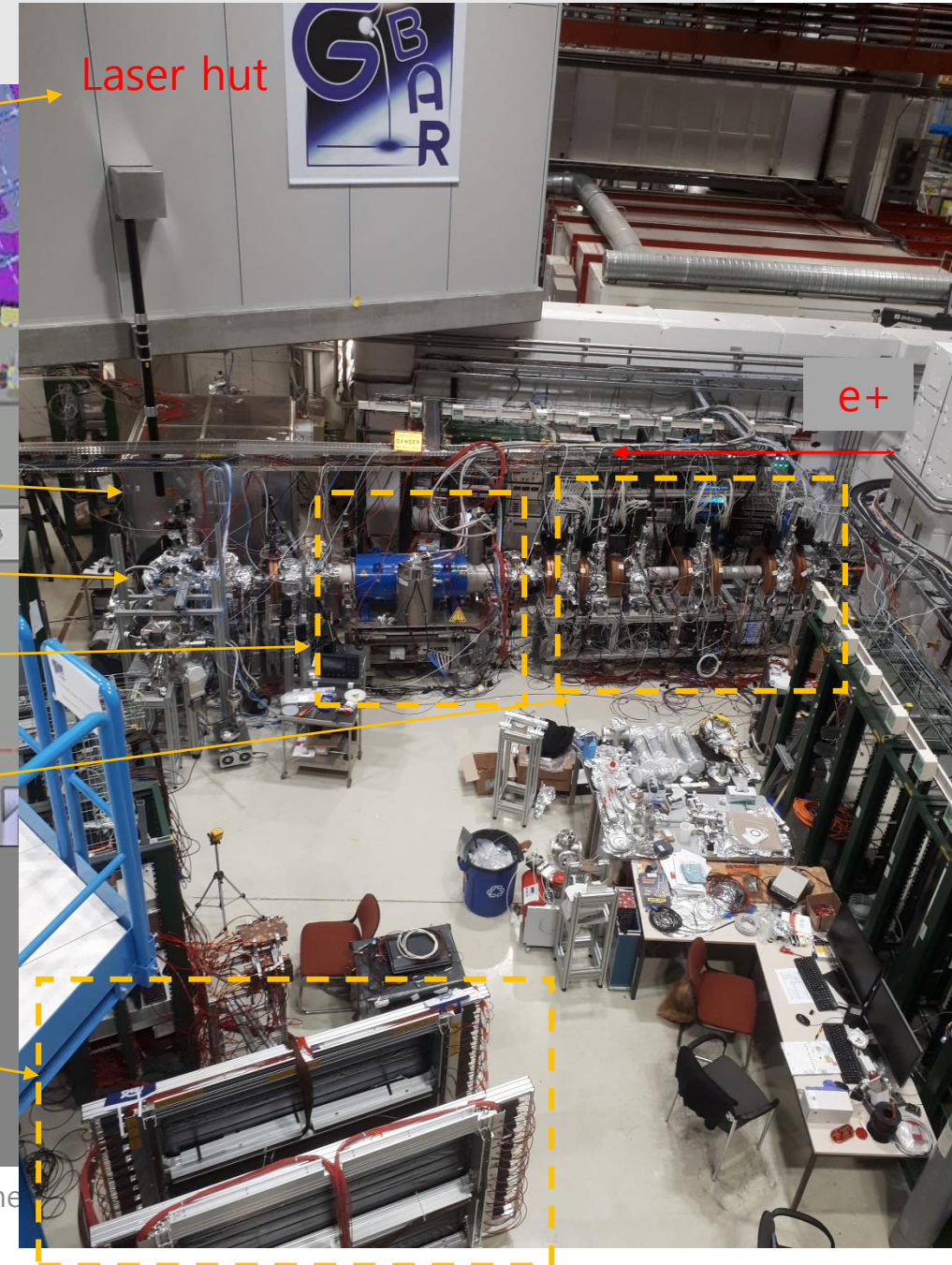
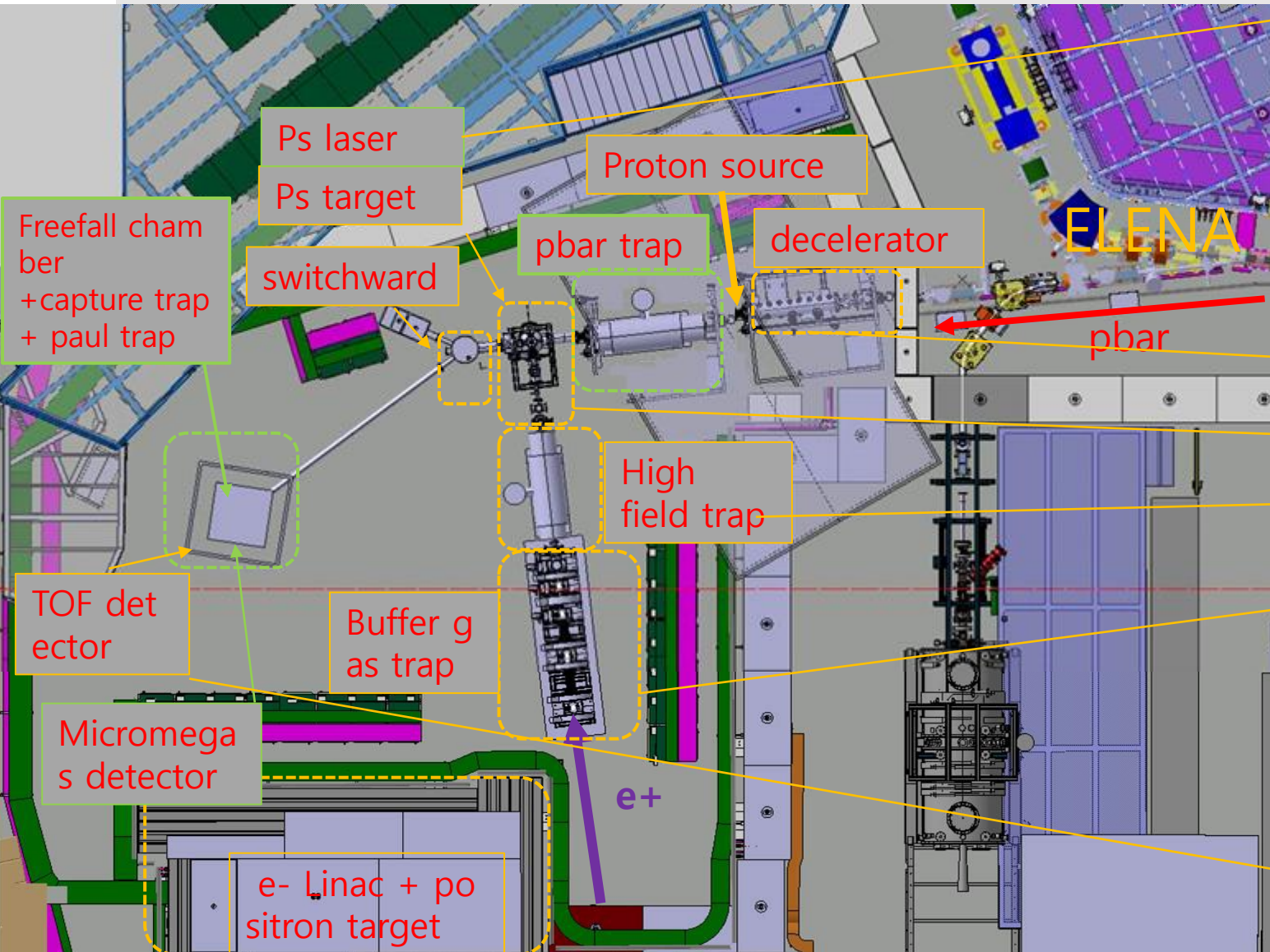


- Cooling antihydrogen ion down to 10uK range (ultra-cold) with Be^+ to get extremely slow velocity.
- After dropping (by photo-detachment laser) one positron, let the ultra-cold antihydrogen **freefall**.

Experiment Scheme



Apparatus

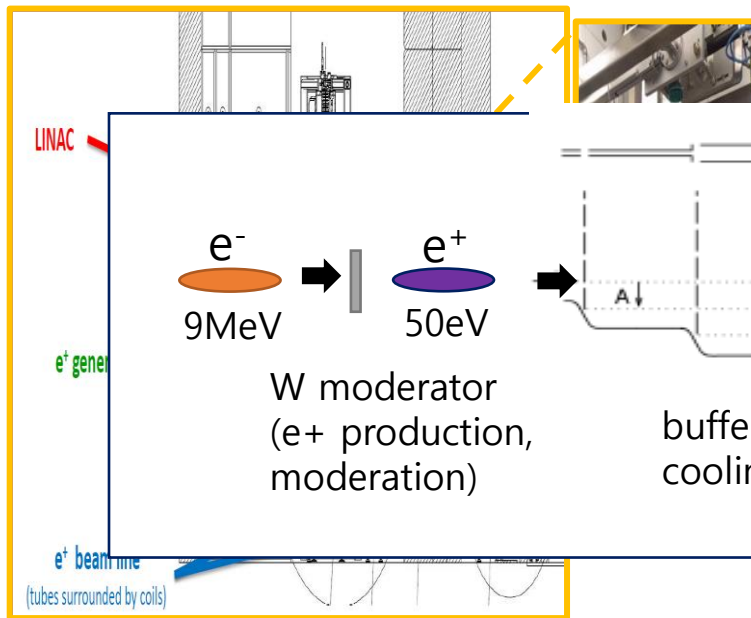


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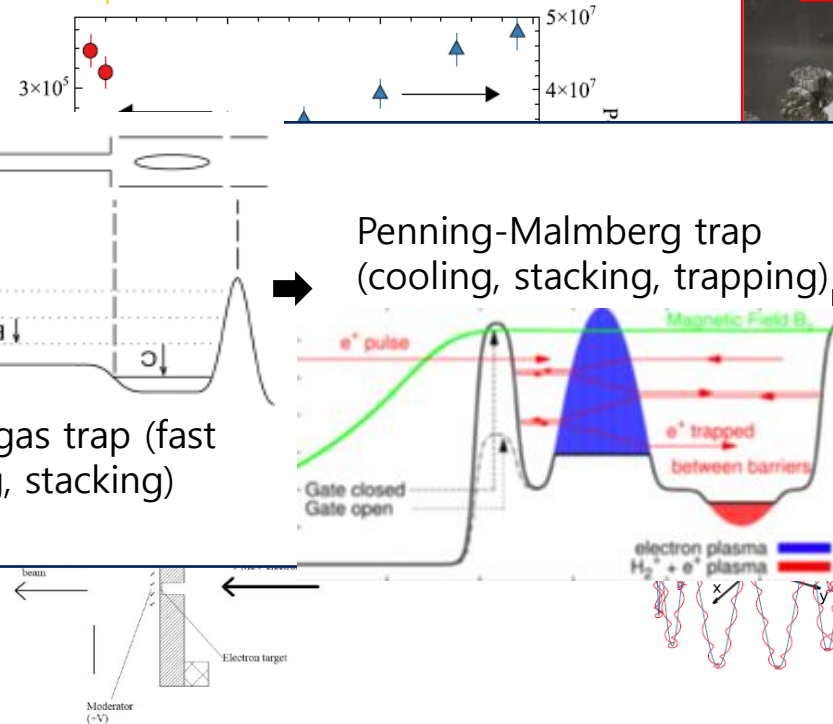
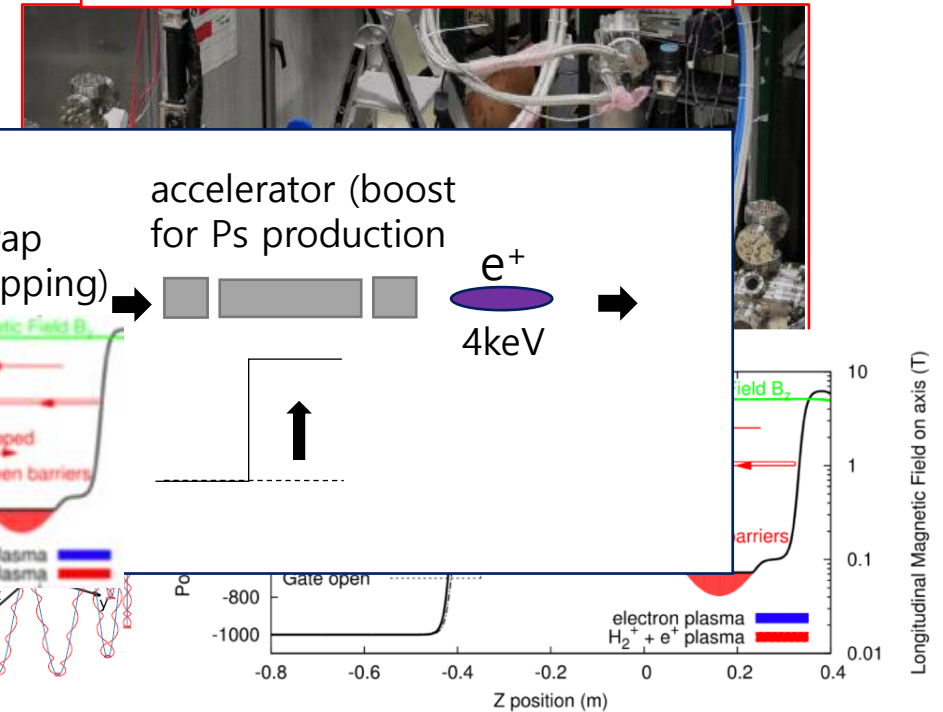
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Positron beam for Ps production

Linac and positron target

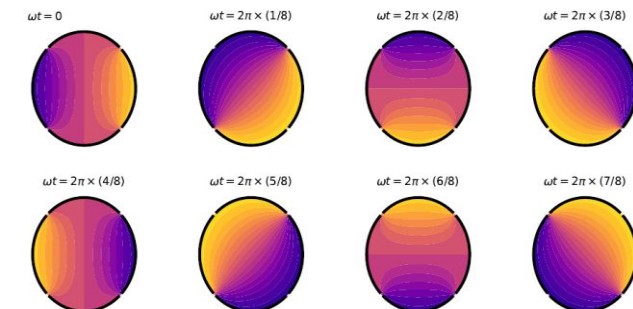


Positron high field trap



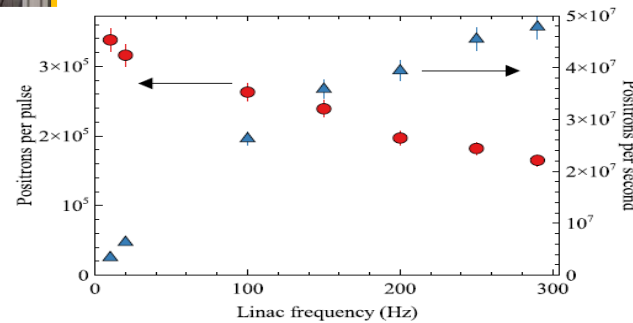
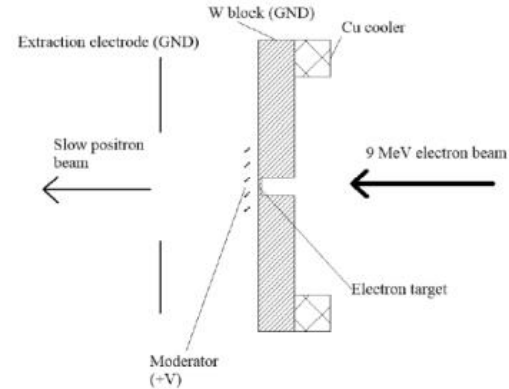
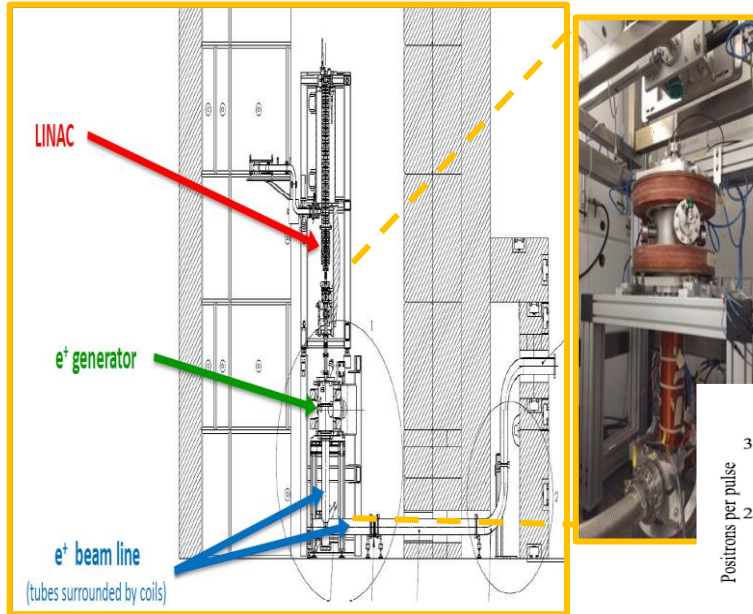
- Positron beam : (Near monoenergetic low energy by W moderator) positron beam generated from bremsstrahlung-induced pair production by 300Hz 9MeV e- linac with a goal to $3 \times 10^8 \text{ e}^+/\text{s}$ ← To achieve above radioactive sources ($< 10^7 \text{ e}^+/\text{s}$)
- Buffer-gas trap for positron accumulation with small energy spread
- Positron accumulation by high field trap : goal to $1 \times 10^{10} \text{ e}^+$ (110s) with electron cooling
- Positron acceleration & bunching by electrostatic lenses with resistor chain

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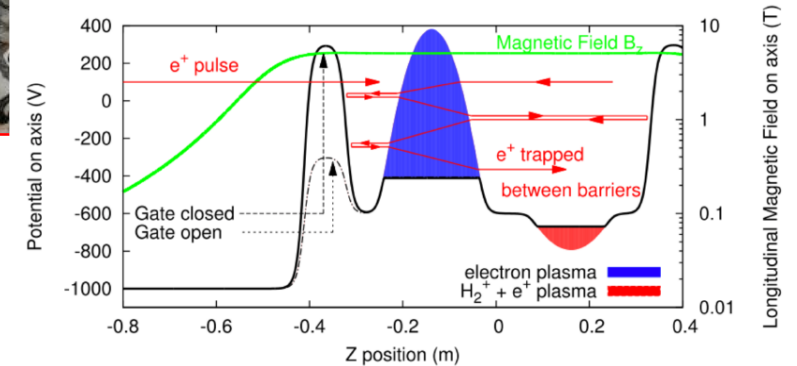
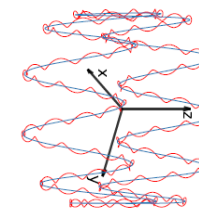


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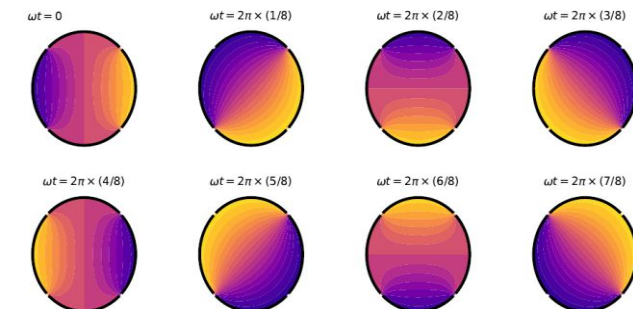


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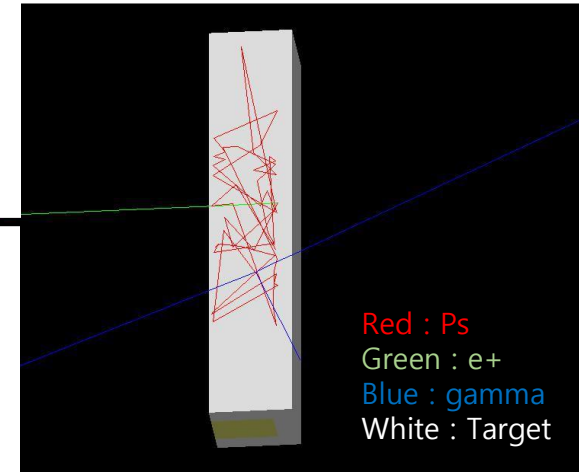
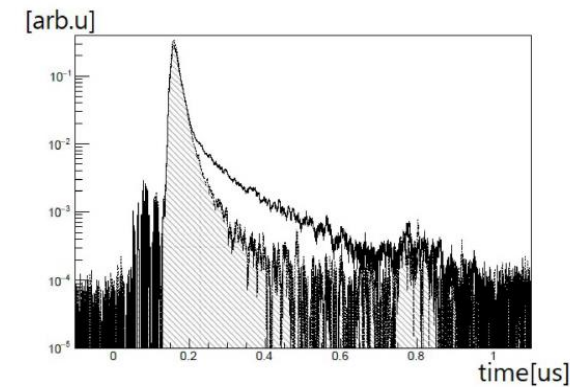
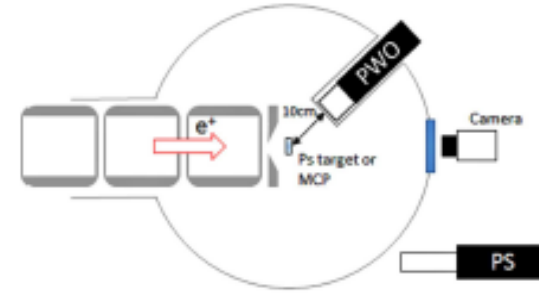
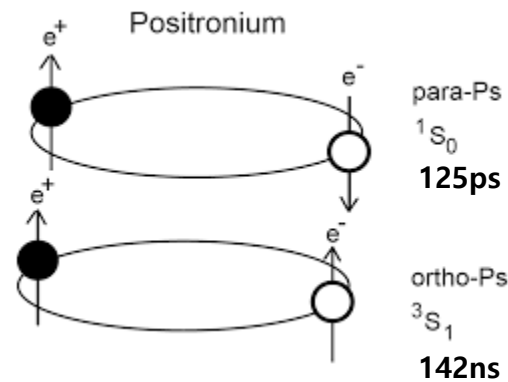
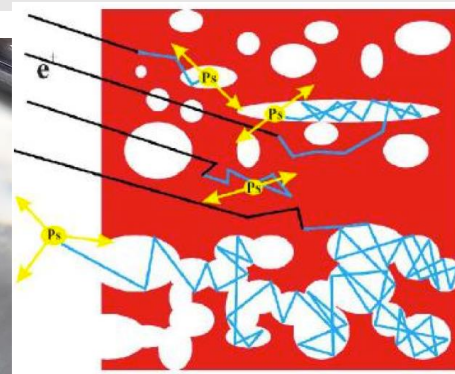
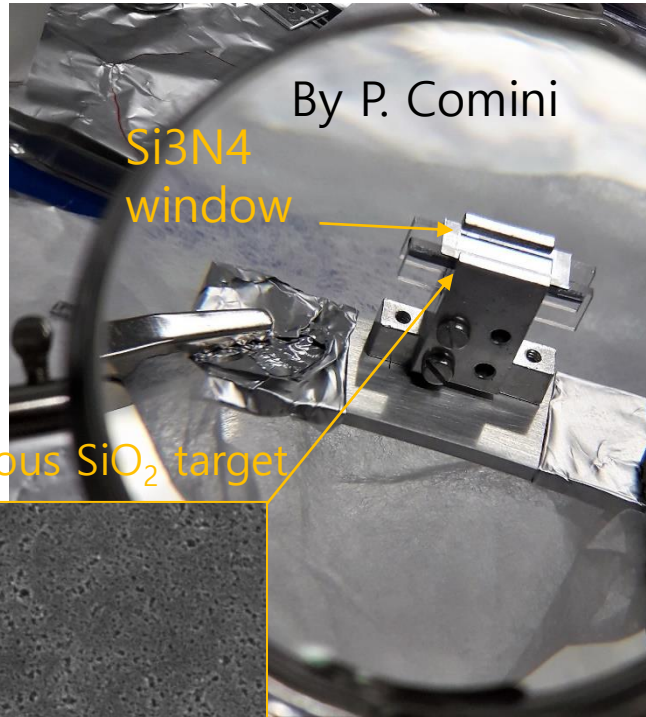


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- Positron acceleration & bunching by electrostatic lenses with resistor chain

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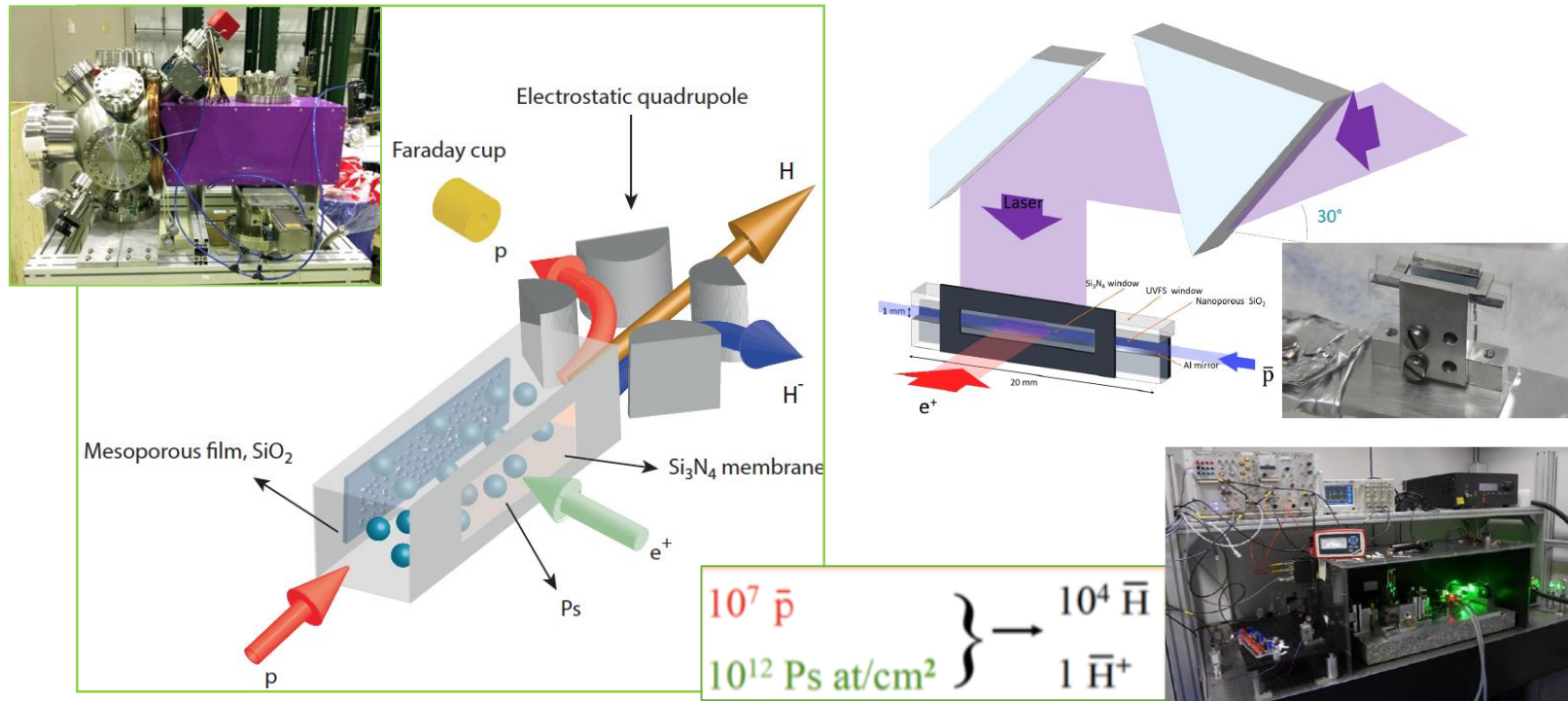


o-Ps production for antihydrogen production

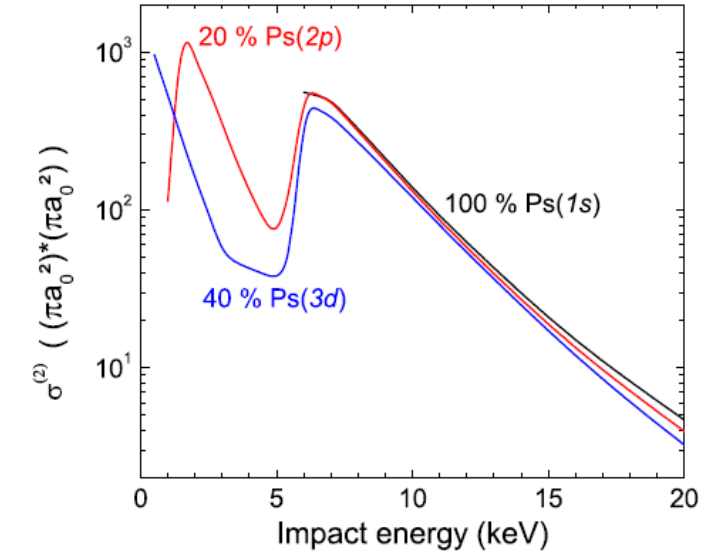
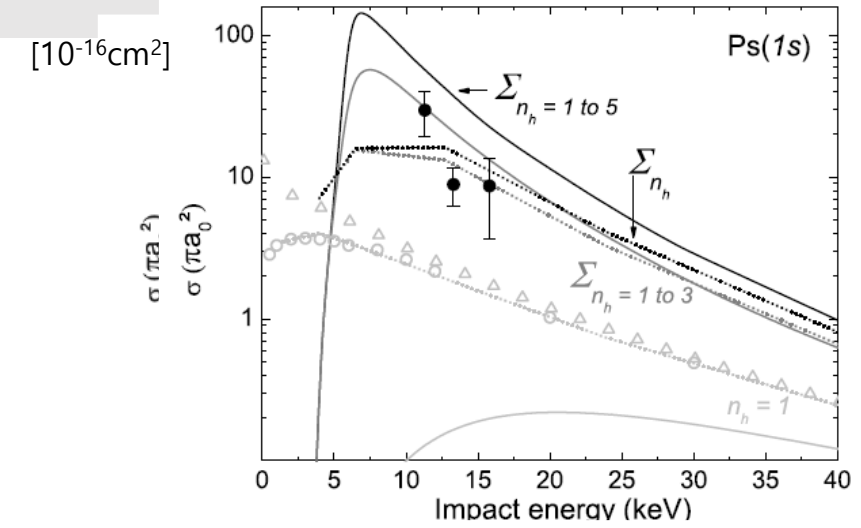


- collision of positron to mesoporous silica target SiO₂ generates positronium(30% o-Ps production rate, 48±5meV energy (PRA81, 052703))
- Ortho-positronium with 142 ns lifetime can be used for interaction with p-bar beam
- Positronium target with cavity shape (1x1x10mm³) is prepared to make high density (10¹²cm⁻³ density required) positronium cloud.
- SSPALS based on PbWO₄ crystal detector for pulse beam detection

Antihydrogen production

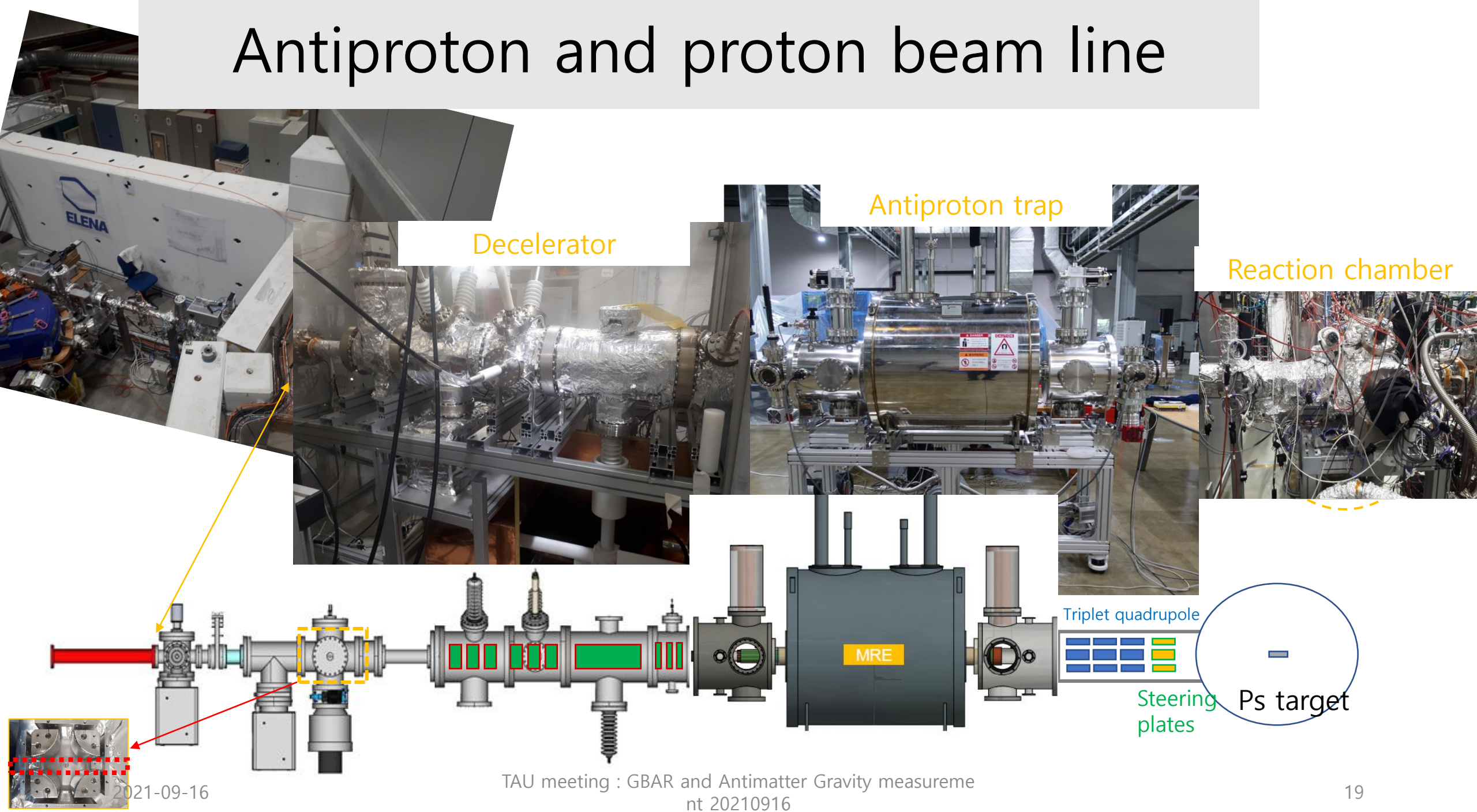


- \bar{H}^+ production can be maximized with Ps(2p, 3d or 1s)
- $10^{12}\text{Ps}/\text{cm}^3$ inside of target cavity
- About 1# \bar{H}^+ expected for every 2 minute (1 cycle of AD)
- Study to optimize the production is ongoing for double charge exchange.
- The expected \bar{H} number will be changed by new paper of cross-section : New J. Phys. 23 (2021) 029501
- A main goal of GBAR in this year is the production of \bar{H} and H.

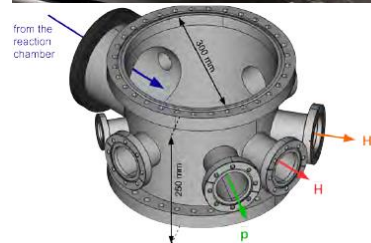
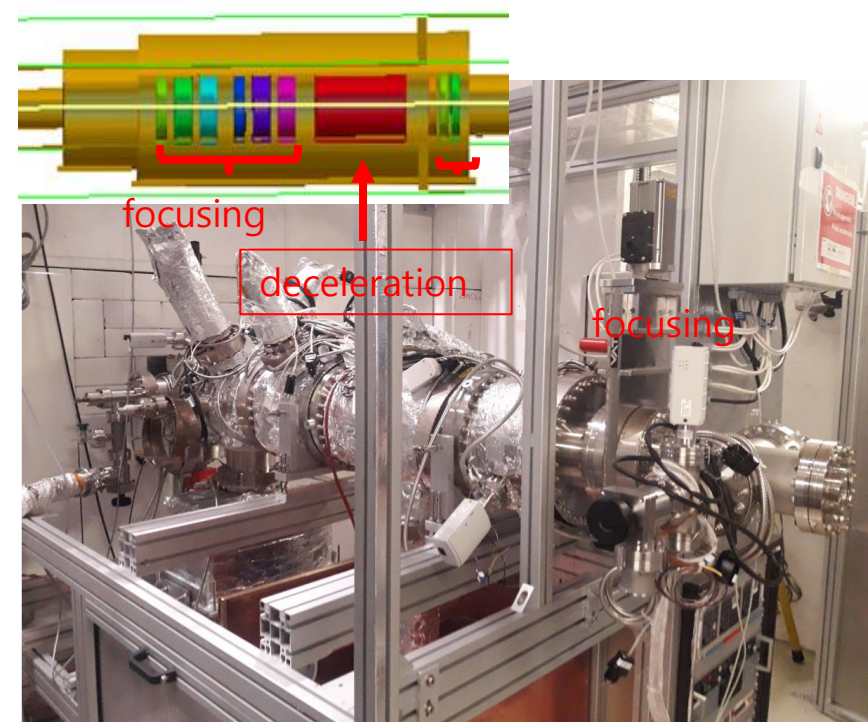


P.Comini et. al, Hyperfine Interactions, 228, 159-165 (2014)

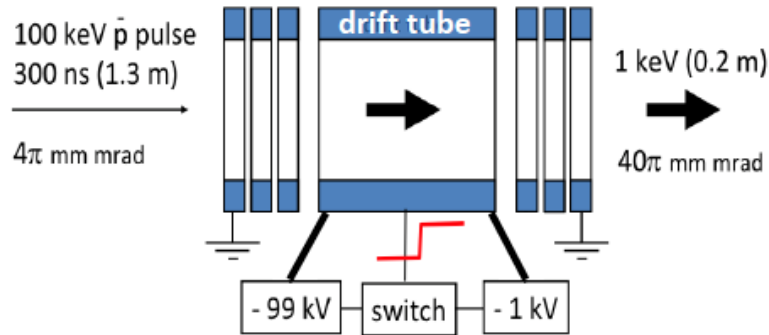
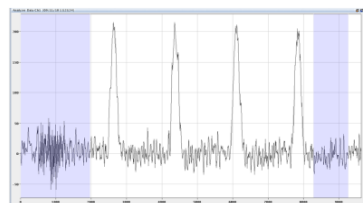
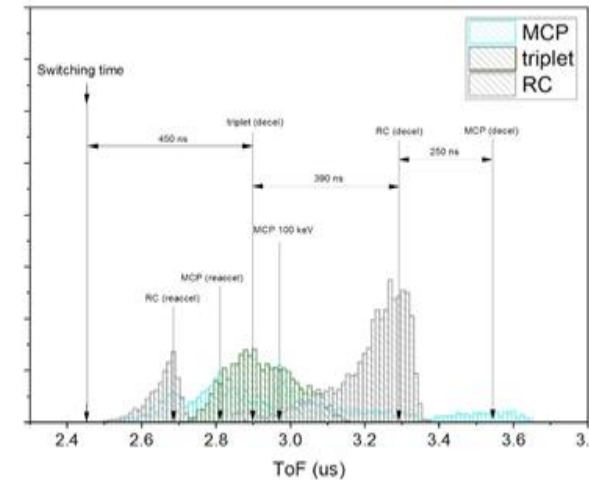
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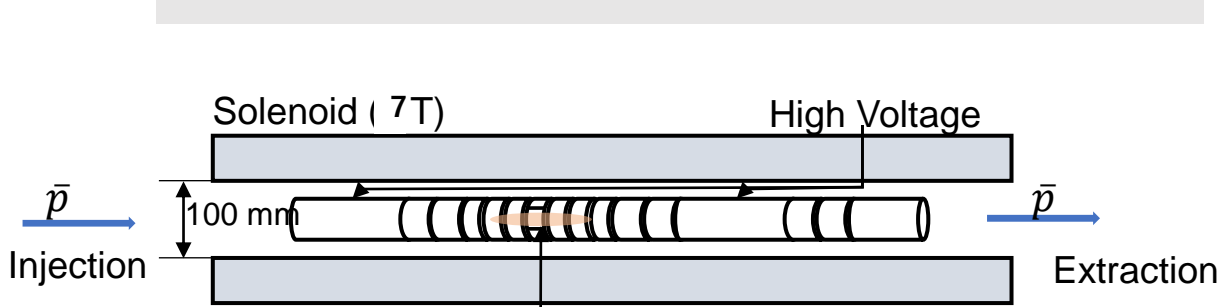


Antiproton beam deceleration test& simulation

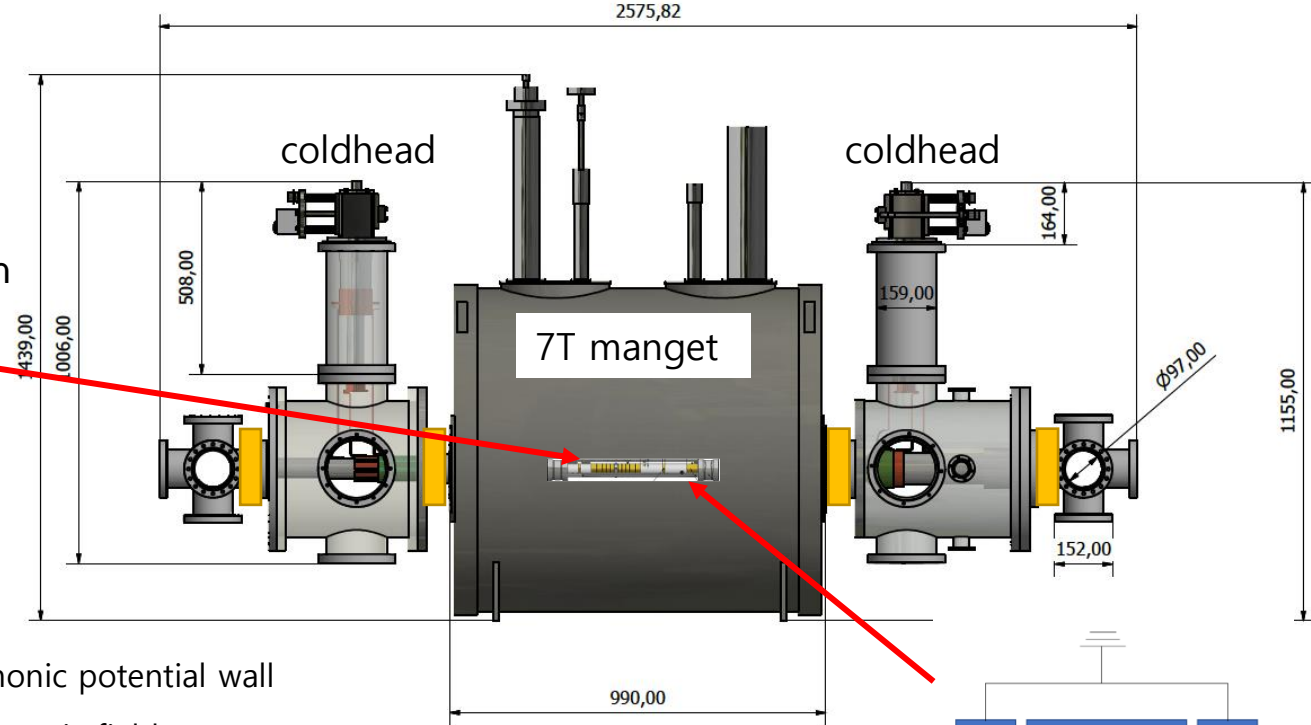
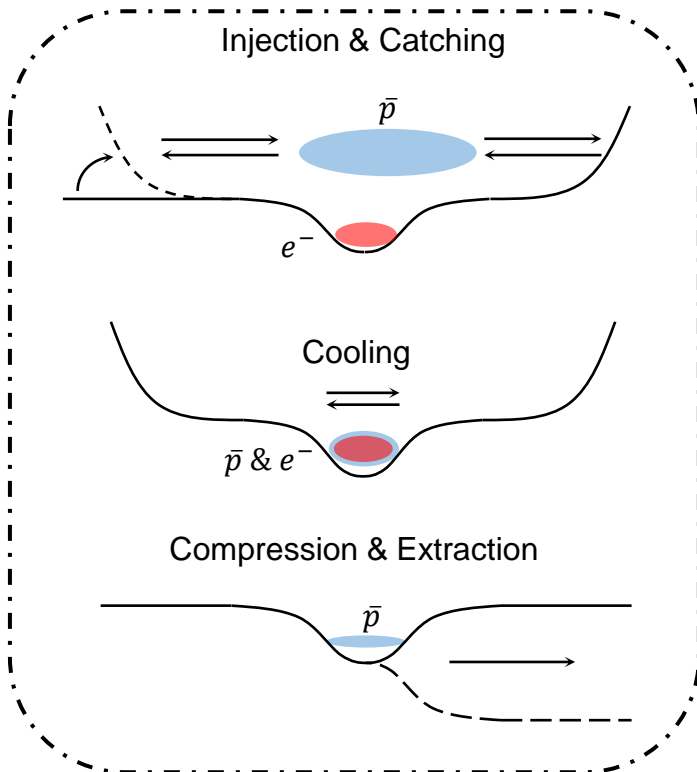


- First beam from ELENA was tested with decelerator in the GBAR line before LS2. A. Husson et al., [Nuclear Inst. and Methods in Physics Research, A 1002 \(2021\) 165245 A \(2021\)](#)
- Deceleration by electrostatic tube with switching circuit from 100keV (300ns) to 1~10keV with high efficiency: Has been tested now.
- Switchward to separate antihydrogen ion from antihydrogen and antiproton

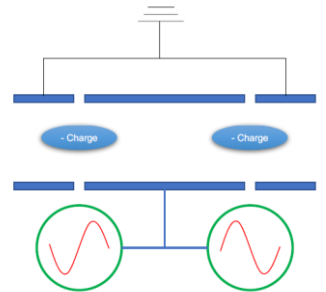
Antiproton trap



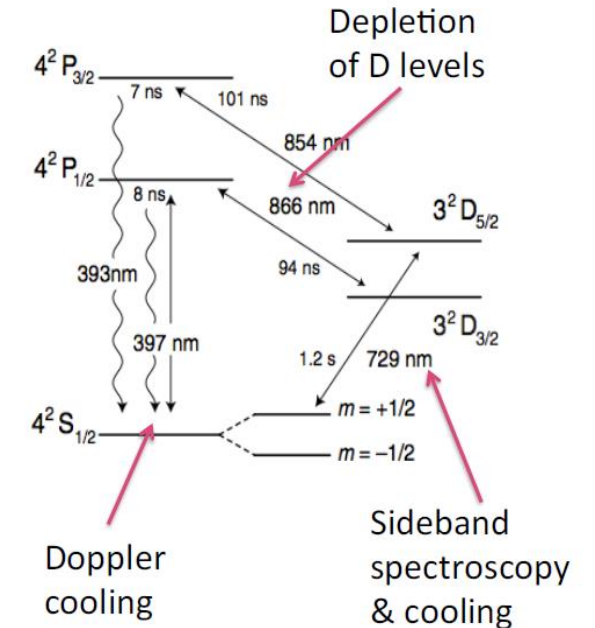
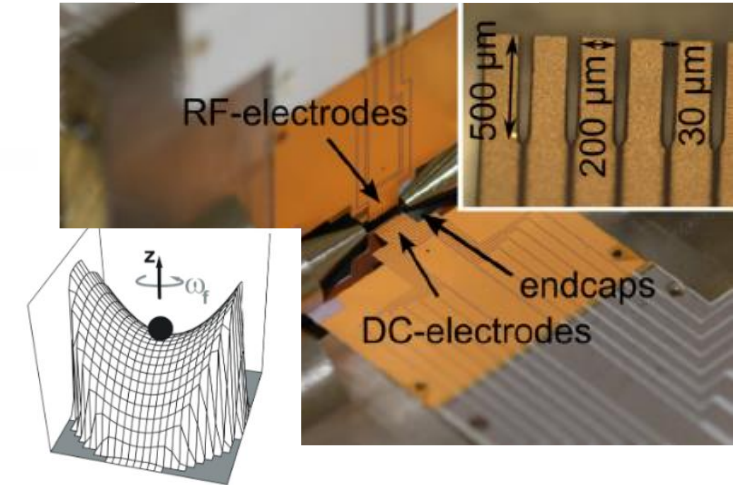
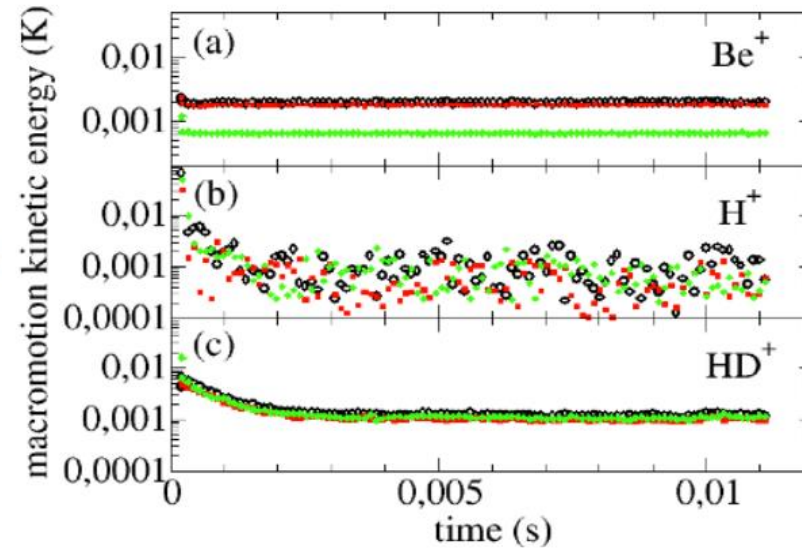
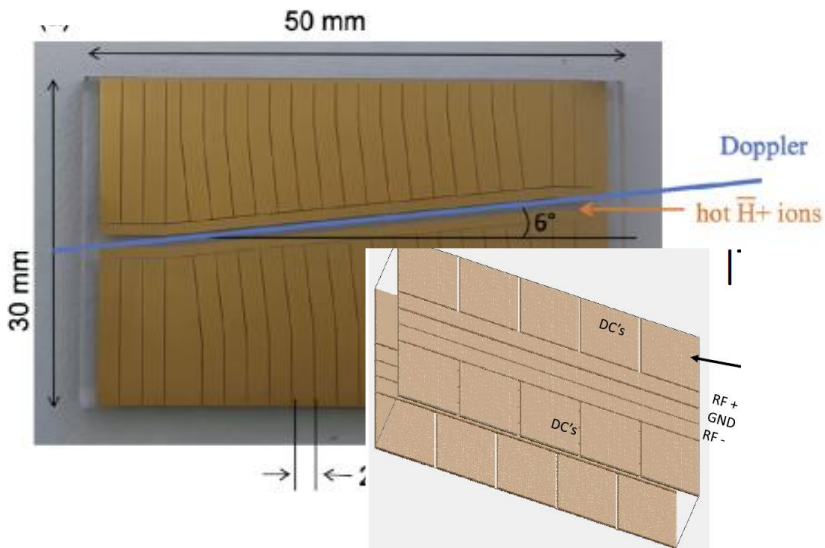
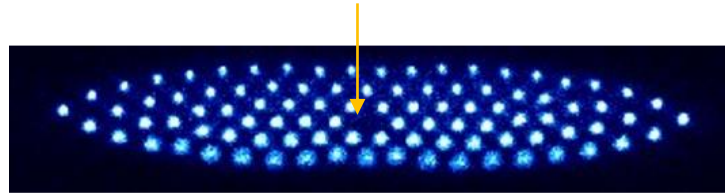
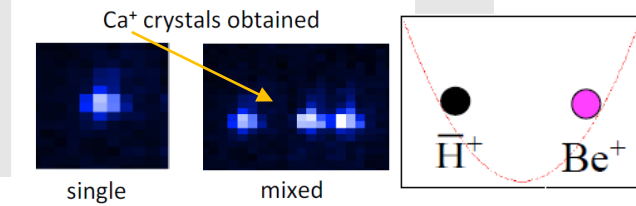
Catching, Cooling & Compression



- Axial trapping by harmonic potential wall
- Radial trapping by magnetic field up to 7T
- Cooling by cyclotron radiation + electron cooling
- Compression by cylindrical electrodes and rotating wall
- Acceleration with bunching by inner double gap bunching system : test setup in IBS
- Beam size $<1\text{mm} \times 1\text{mm}$ in reaction target with length $<100\text{ns}$, $\Delta E < 25\text{eV}$
- Electron trapping has been studied currently.
- Trap + recycler can improve antihydrogen production



Cooling traps



1. Capture trap (ITO trap) : capturing by DC switching+ rf voltage electrodes

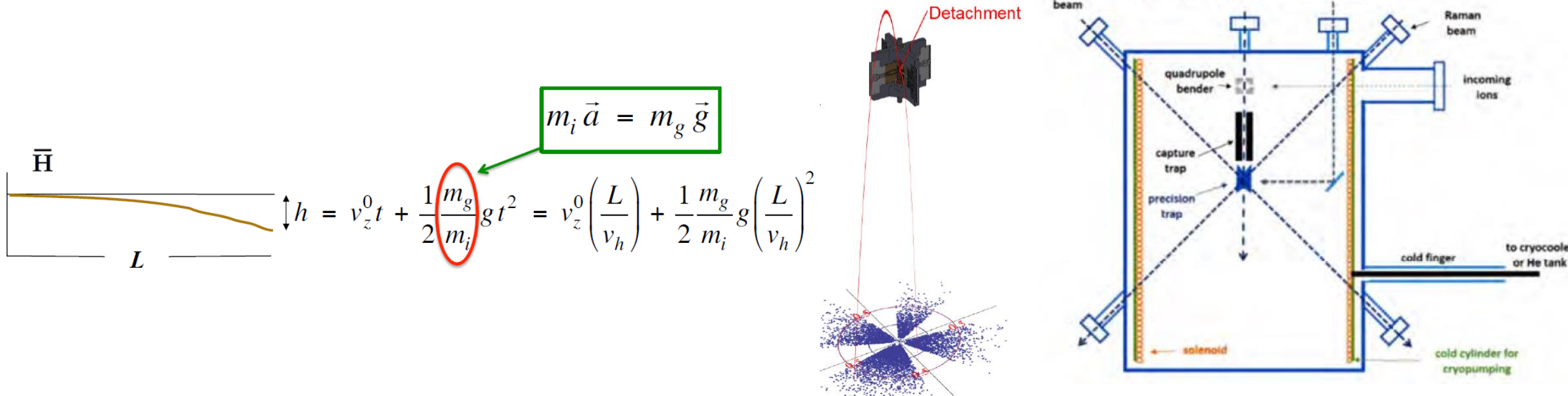
Sympathetic Doppler cooling by cooled Be⁺ ions (>10,000 laser(313nm) cooled Be⁺/HD⁺ ions (Wigner crystal), 100 neV, T~mK by rf heating)

(L. Hilico et. al., Int. J. Mod. Phys. Conf. Ser. 30, 1460269 (2014))

← HD⁺ to reduce mass ratio for better coupling in simulation (similar charge to mass ratio required)

• 2. Precision trap : ion as a quantum harmonic oscillator, Raman sideband cooling for Be⁺/ \bar{H} ion pair to T~10uK. (W. Schnitzler et. al, Physical Review Letters 102, 070501 (2009).)

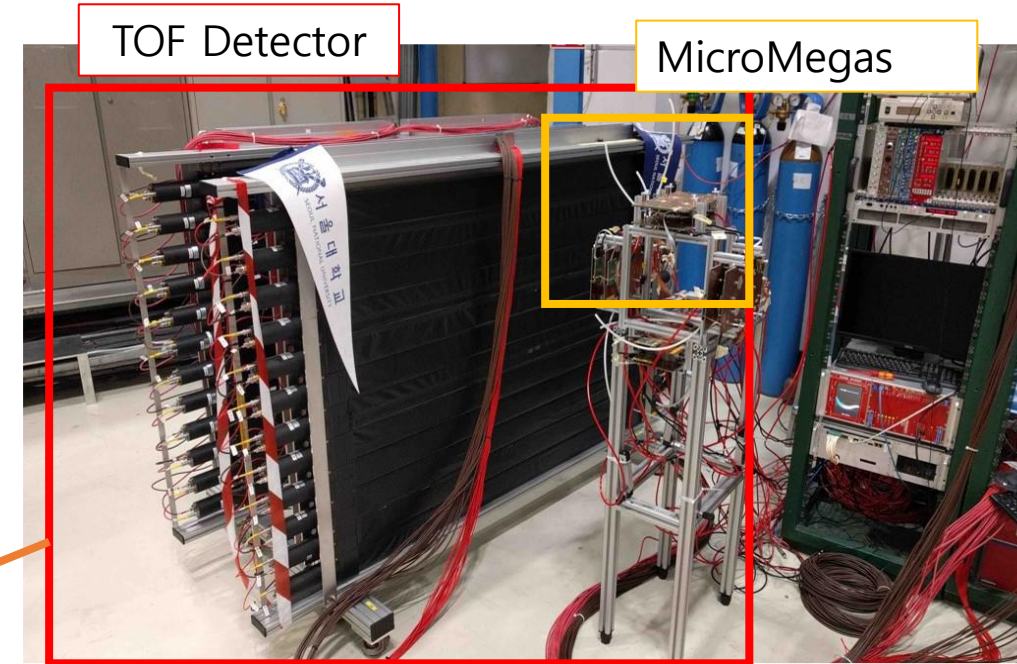
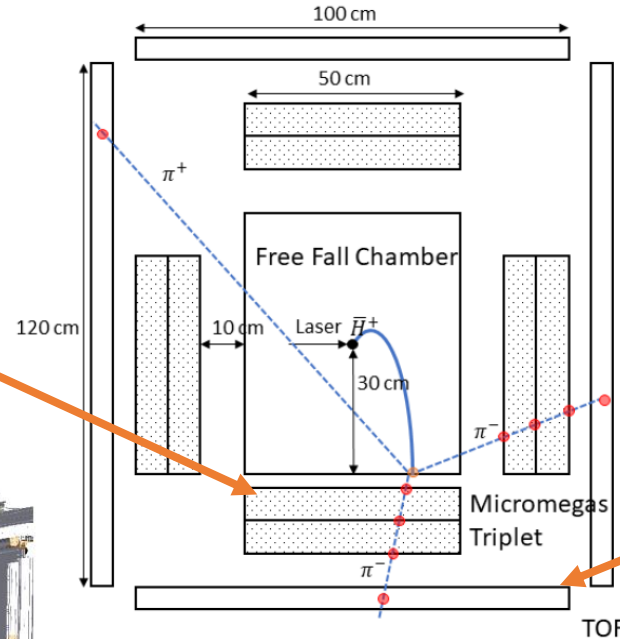
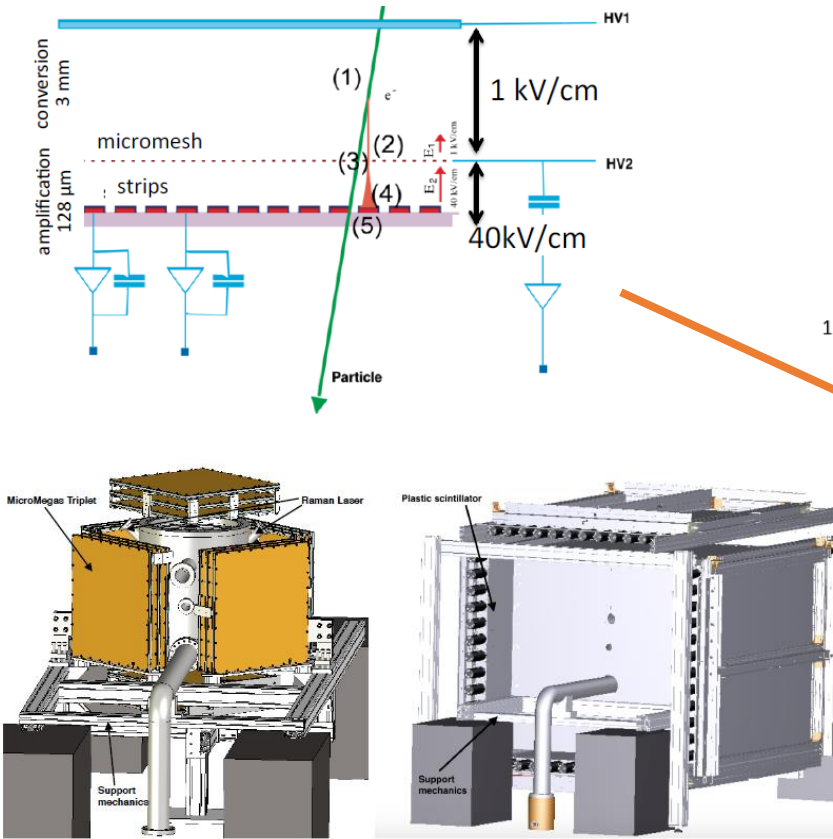
Freefall measurement



- Initial direction : temperature (0.44m/s for 1MHz) + photon recoil(0.24m/s) + positron emission ($\sim 0.3\text{m/s}$ for $E_c = 1\text{ueV}$)
- Length :10cm, height : 30cm (cf Aegis : $L = 1\text{m}$, $h = 20\mu\text{m}$)
- Small magnetic field gradient, UHV, etc for systematic uncertainties have been studied
- Freefall time : about 500ms for $|\bar{g}| = g$
- uncertainty : $(\Delta z_0, \Delta v_{z0} t \ll z), \frac{\Delta \bar{g}}{\bar{g}} \cong \sqrt{\left(\frac{\Delta z}{z}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2\Delta t}{t}\right)^2} \sim 0.4$ (for single \bar{H}), $\Delta z(T(10\text{uK}), \Delta E(1\text{ueV})$:positron emission)

better description in G. Dufour et. al., Eur. Phys. J. C (2014) 74:2731

Freefall measurement

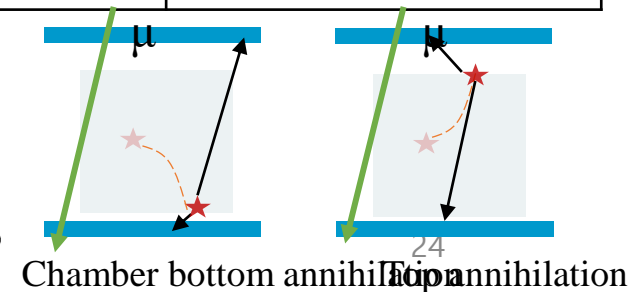
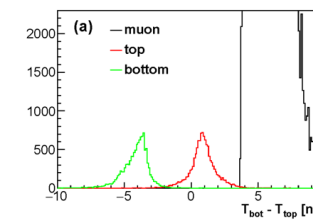


Temperature	Sign decision
10uK	~30 events
1mK	~6000 events

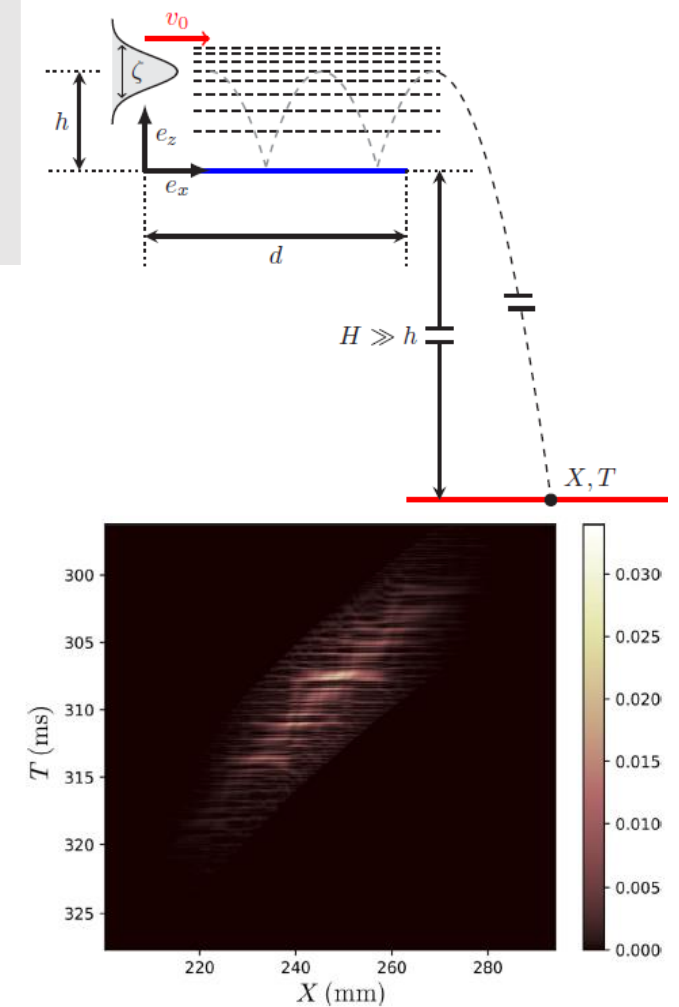
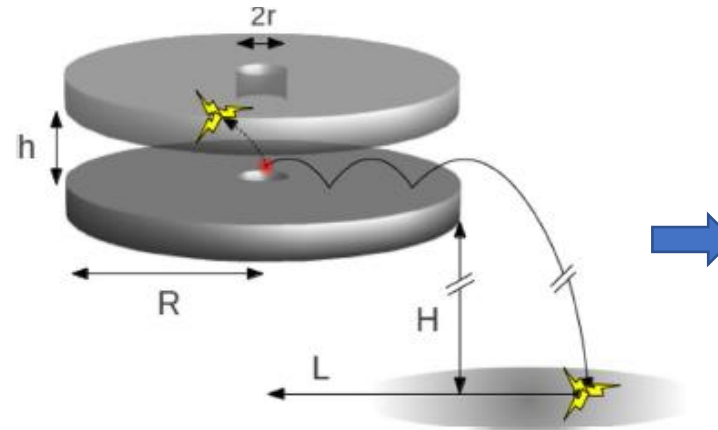
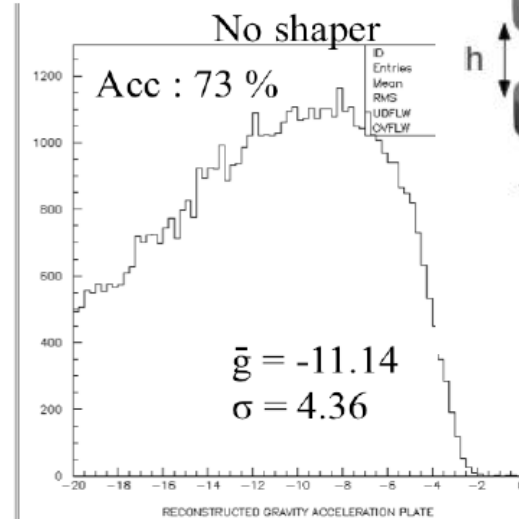
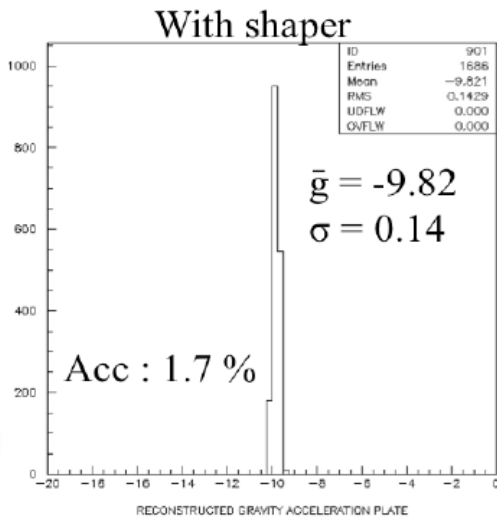
- Estimated number to measure 1% precision is 1500# detection of freefall antihydrogen (10uK)
- Simulation with deep learning has been studied
- Almost all cosmic ray background can be removed.

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Further improvement



- Can be improved with proper shaper
- Quantum bouncing of antihydrogen (by Casimir-polder force) : demonstrated with ultra cold neutron ([V. V. Nesvizhevsky et. al., Nature volume 415](#), pages 297–299 (2002)) :
- + shaping the distribution of velocity : precision below 10^{-3} (G. Dufour et. al., Eur. Phys. J. C (2014) 74:2731)
- Quantum interference to improve the accuracy (10^{-5}) : detail is in P.-P. Crepin, Phys. Rev. A 99,042119

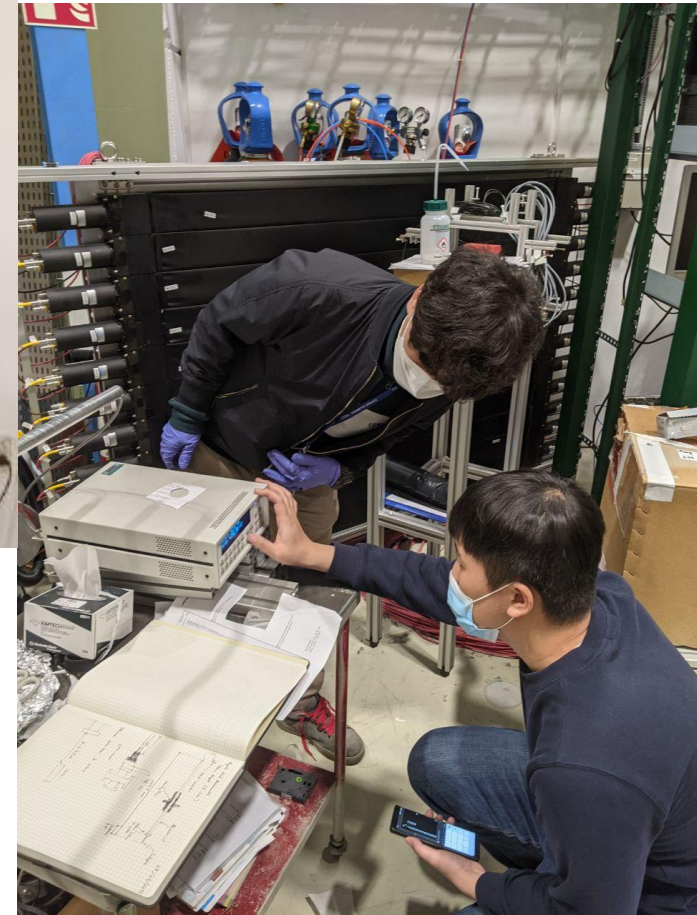
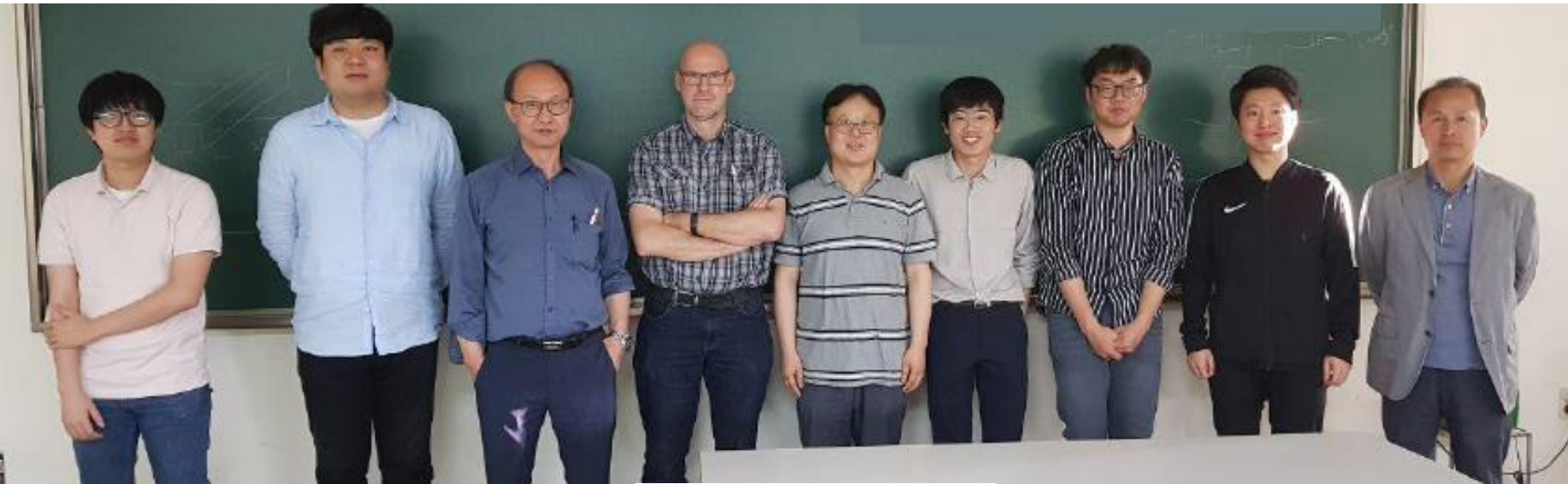
GBAR collaboration

70 members
18 institutes
8 countries



Korean group
4 Institutes
6 Ph. D
7 GS

GBAR Korean collaboration



conclusion

- After the discovery of antimatter, there was arguments about antigravity.
- Recently, unprecedented experimental efforts are arose and the oretical rebellion started.
- Currently, experiments to measure the antihydrogen gravitational acceleration with 1% precision have competed.
- GBAR experiment will measure gravitational acceleration by cl assical freefall test using ultra-cold antihydrogen.

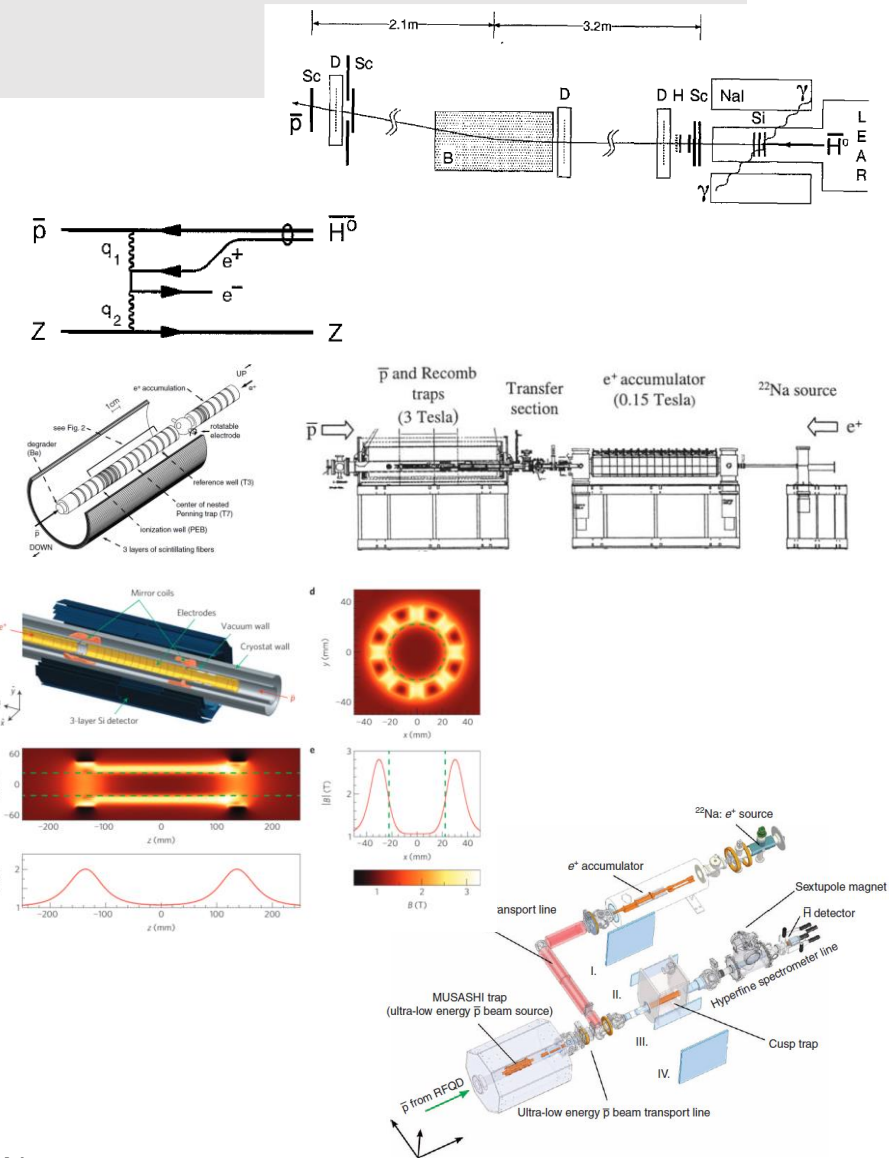
Thank you

Motivation to study antihydrogen

- One of the best particle for fundamental physics as a direct tool of comparison
 - : neutral antimatter composed of only antiparticles
 - CPT test between matter and antimatter
 - : Can extend Standard model
- Weak equivalence principle (WEP) test by antimatter
 - : The gravitational interaction between matter and antimatter (antimatter and antimatter) has never been tested. → WEP is only proven between matter and matter.

Recent breakthroughs of $\bar{\text{H}}$

- 1995 : First production of antihydrogen at LEAR (Phys. Lett. B 368, 251) with stochastic cooling and electron cooling
- 2002 : Cold antihydrogen production at ATHENA (Nature 419, 456-459), ATRAP (Phys. Rev. Lett 89, 213401)
- 2010~2011 : Trapping antihydrogen (Nature 468, 673) up to 1000s (Nature physics, 7, 558-564) at ALPHA
- 2013 : Antihydrogen gravity test by ALPHA (Nature communications 4, 1785)
- 2014 : antihydrogen beam source by ASACUSA (Nature communications 5, 3089)
- 2021 : Antihydrogen laser cooling by ALPHA (Nature 592, 35-42)



CPT test

- Spectroscopy of antihydrogen

1S-2S transition : hydrogen 4.2×10^{-15}

– antihydrogen 2×10^{-10} (2017) $\rightarrow 2 \times 10^{-12}$ (2018)

Hyperfine splitting : observed 2% ($2P_{1/2}$ - $2P_{3/2}$)

(nature 548, 66-69 (2017), nature 578, 375 (2020)) by ALPHA

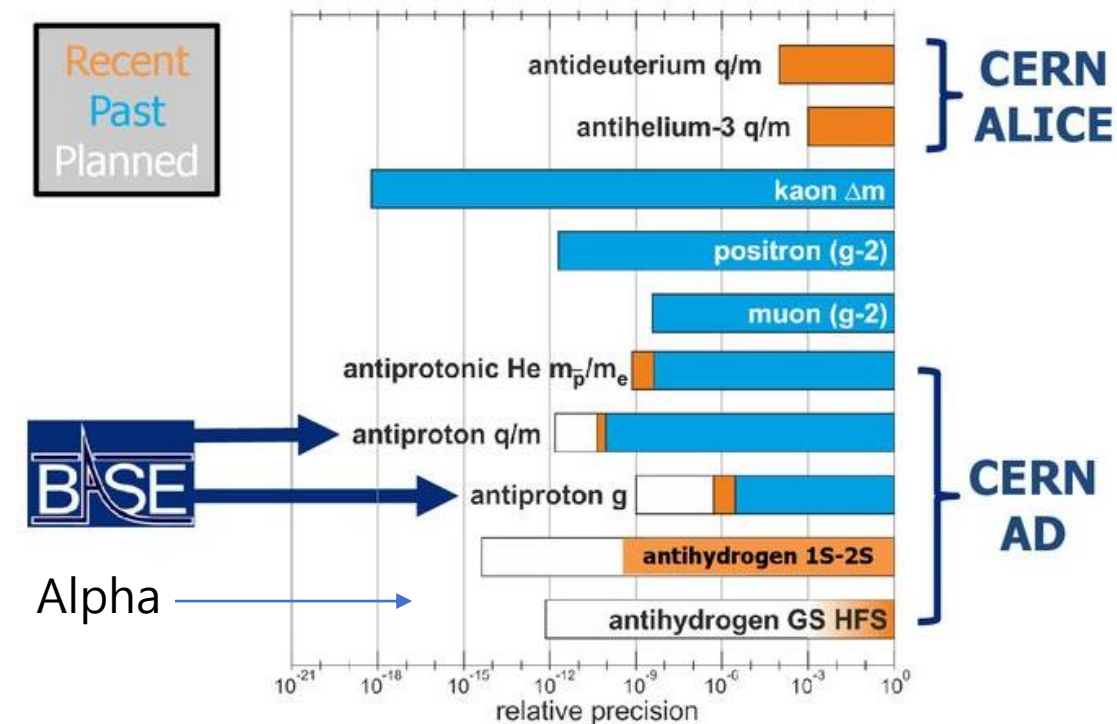
- Lamb shift : agreed a level of 11% ($2S_{1/2}$ - $2P_{1/2}$) (nature 578, 375 (2020)) by ALPHA

- Proton & antiproton CPT test by BASE

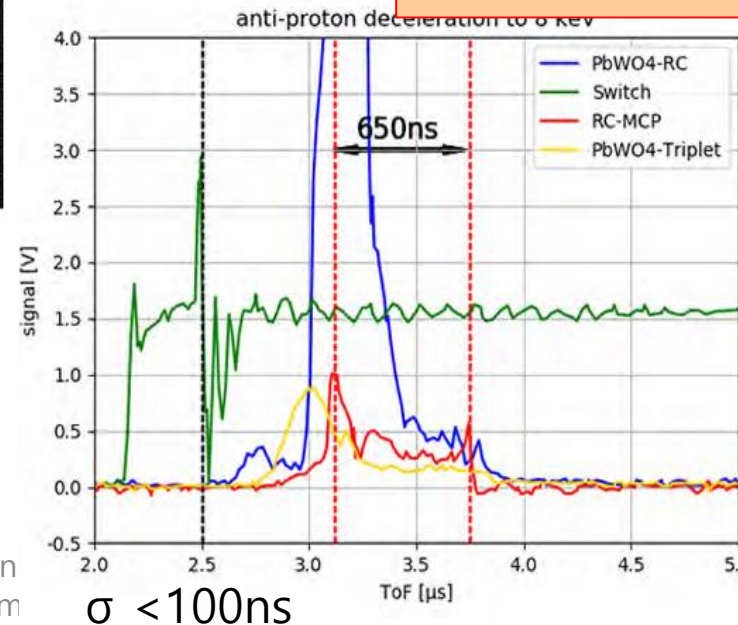
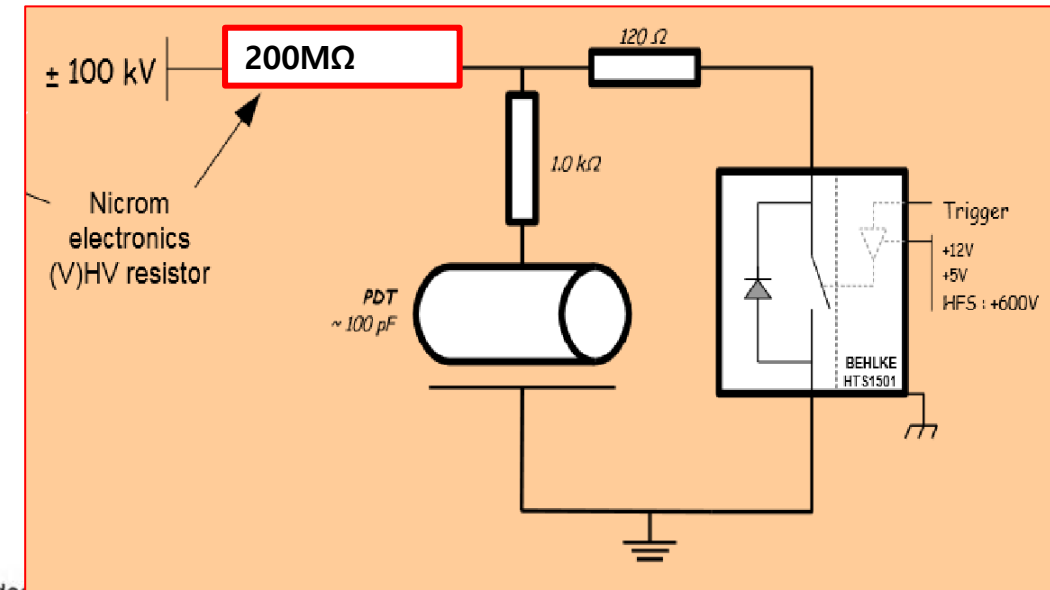
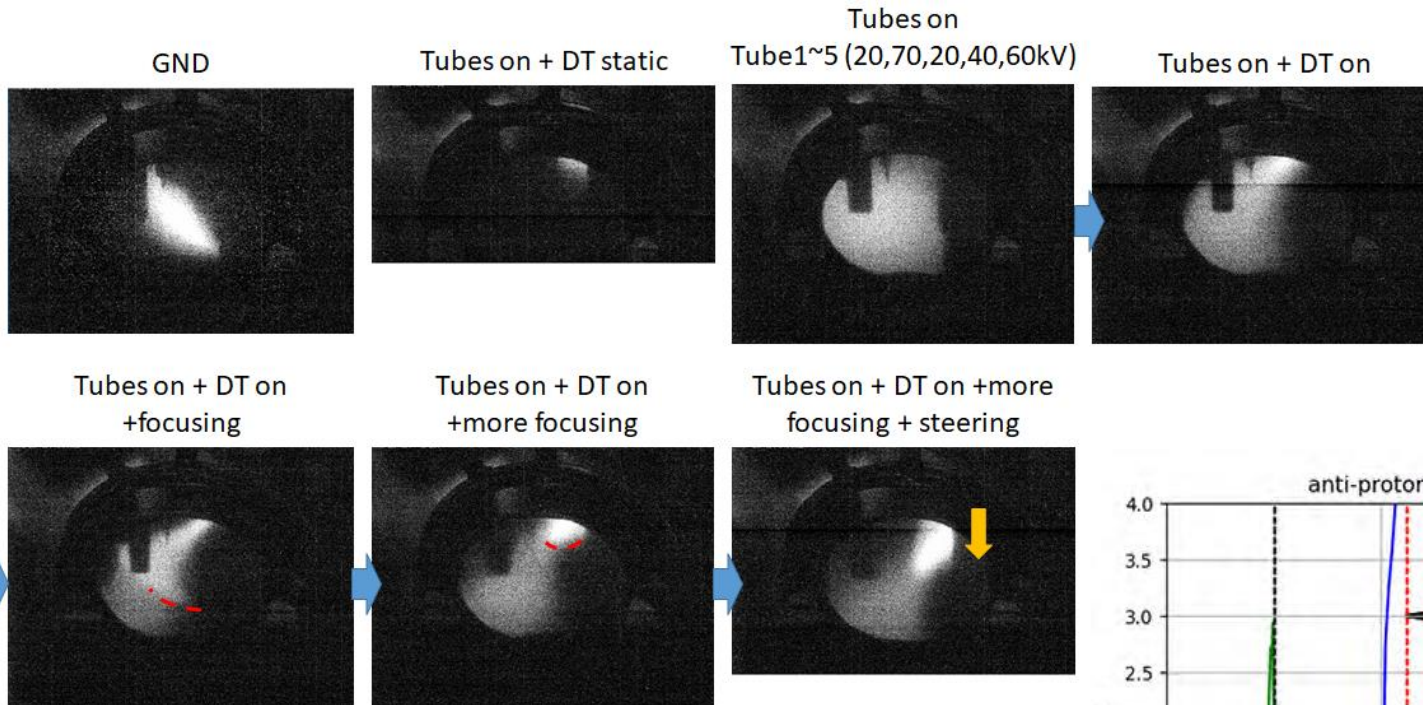
(nature 524, 196-199 (2015)) and updated information is not in the slide.

- Antideuteron, antihelium, muon, positron, kaon..

- (There's also many fantastic results for exotic antiprotonic helium, etc..)



Elena beam test before LS2



- Elena beam test without antiproton trap : 3m tube without any optics

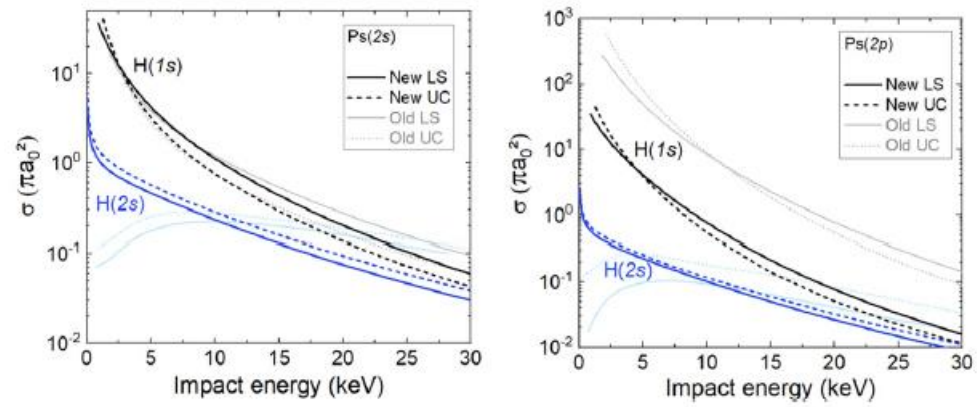


Figure 2. Antihydrogen ion production cross sections from positronium excited in a state $n_p = 2$ as a function of antihydrogen impact energy. See the caption of figure 1 for the detailed legend of the graph.

