

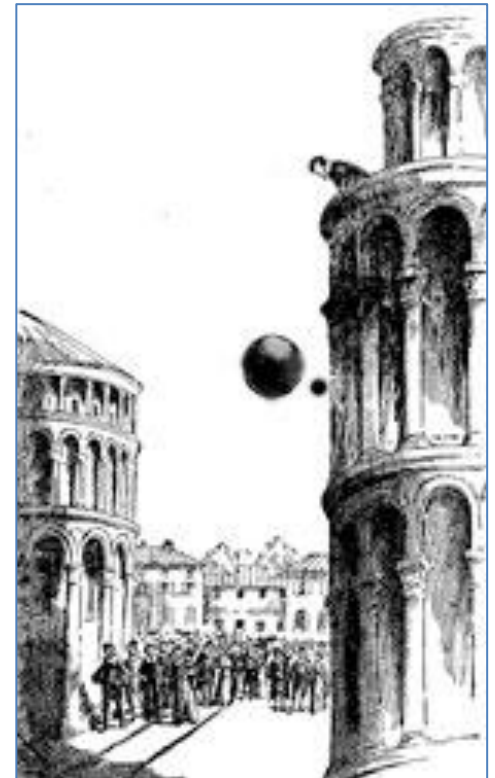
# Verification of the Equivalence Principle for antimatter and anti-hydrogen spectroscopy : the AEGIS experiment

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## AEGIS collaboration (about 60-70 people)

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- CERN
- INFN (Genova, Milano, Pavia-Brescia, Tranto-Padova, Bologna)
- IPNL Lyon
- MPI-K Heidelberg
- University of Heidelberg
- INR Moscow
- University of Bergen
- UCL College (London)
- Lab. Aime' Cotton Orsay (France)
- Czech Tech. Univ. (Prague)
- University of Bern
- ETH Zurich

# AEGIS at AD@CERN

AEGIS: Antimatter Experiment gravity Interferometry Spectroscopy

## AEGIS goals

- 1) Verification of equivalence principle for antimatter: measure the Earth acceleration  $g$  on a beam of ultracold (100 mK) Hbar
- 2) Antihydrogen spectroscopy (HFS, 1S-2S) (CPT and Lorentz Invariance tests)

AD: Antiproton Decelerator : pbar@5MeV

From 1999:

Cold antihydrogen formation & physics

2002: ATHENA (and then ATRAP)

millions of Hbar

temperature few 10K-100K

Athena Collaboration Nature 419, 456-459 (2002)

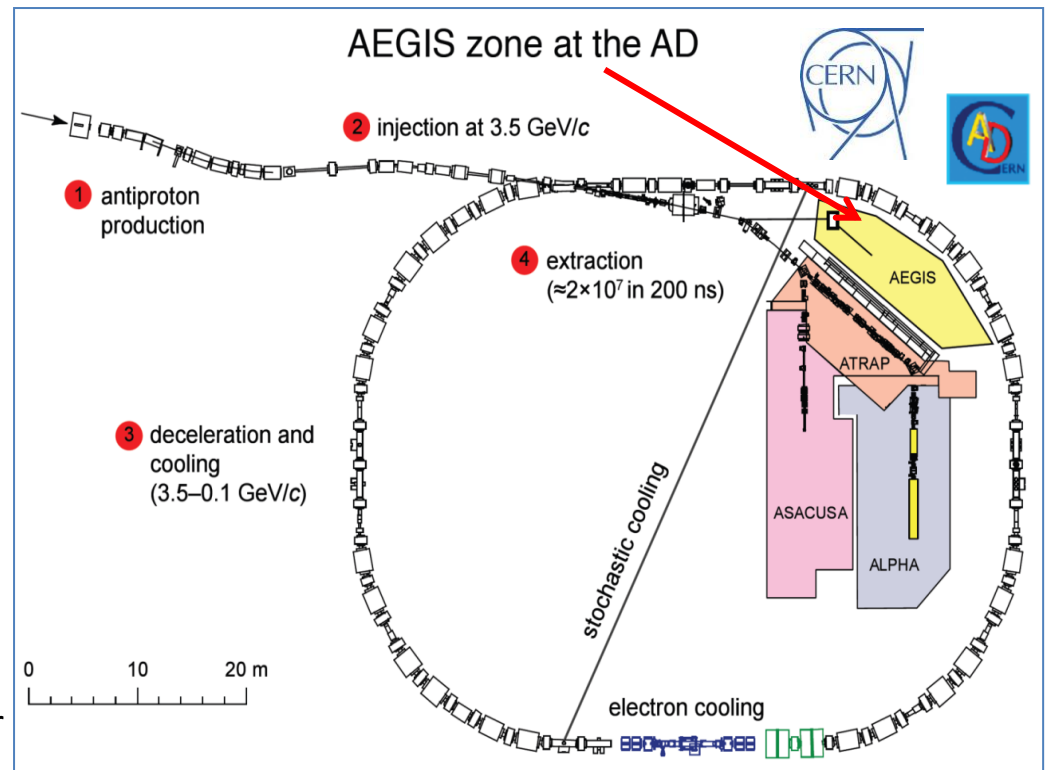
Now running:

ATRAP, ALPHA : trapping Hbar for spectroscopy

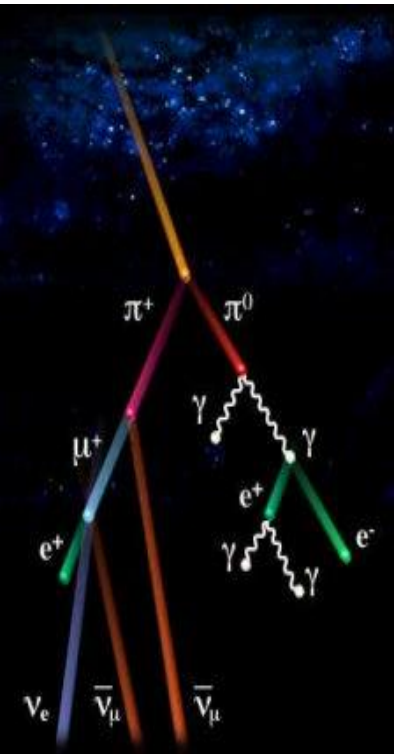
ASACUSA : beam for HFS measurement  
exotic atoms, nuclear physics

AEGIS : cold Hbar beam for  $g$   
measurement (and spectroscopy)

GBAR : approved (it will be installed after  
2015)



# Antimatter history



- 1928 P. Dirac : antimatter must exist
- 1932 : C. Anderson discovers **positrons** in cosmic rays
- 1954 : E. Segre' discover s **antiprotons** (Bevatron)
- 1960 : detection of **antineutrons**.
- 1965 : Zichichi, Lederman detect : **antimatter nuclei**
- Antimatter particles are routinely produced at accelerators;  
there are many experiments studying antimatter particles at accelerator or in space
- 1995 : CERN , FERMILAB: few antihydrogen atoms (relativistic velocity)
- 1999 : at CERN the AD machine starts working: devoted to cold antihydrogen
- 2002 : ATHENA al CERN (e ATRAP) : millions of cold (tens, hundreds K)  
antihydrogen atoms
- From 2006 on: new experiments to produce and study very cold  
antihydrogen atoms (ALPHA, ATRAP, ASACUSA, **AEGIS**, (GBAR))



## AEGIS experimental challenge

- Formation of “cold” beam of antihydrogen : temperature in the 100mK range and manipulation of antiprotons, positrons and electrons with very low energies
- methods: particle physics + atomic physics

$$1 eV = 1.16 10^4 K$$

$$8.6 \mu eV = 100 mK$$

## Summary of the talk

- Motivation: -WEP and antimatter  
-Antihydrogen and CPT (and Lorentz Invariance)
- Description of the AEGIS experiment

# WEP and EEP: from Newton to General Relativity

Newton



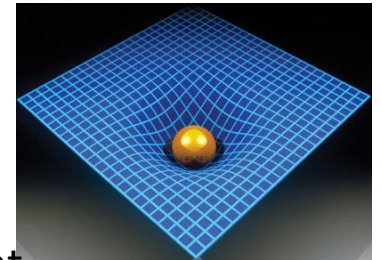
$$\vec{F} = m_i \vec{a} \quad \vec{F}_g = m_g \vec{g}$$

Weak Equivalence Principle (WEP)

$$m_i = m_p$$

Einstein Equivalence Principle = WEP (Weak Equivalence Principle) +  
LLI (Local Lorentz Invariance) +  
LPI (Local Position Invariance)

Einstein General Relativity



EEP

1) WEP is valid

The outcome of any local non-gravitational experiment is independent

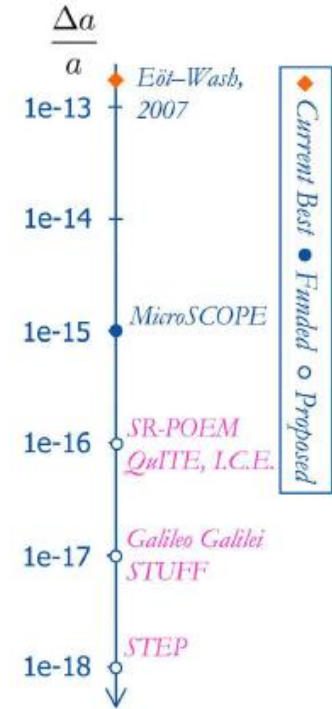
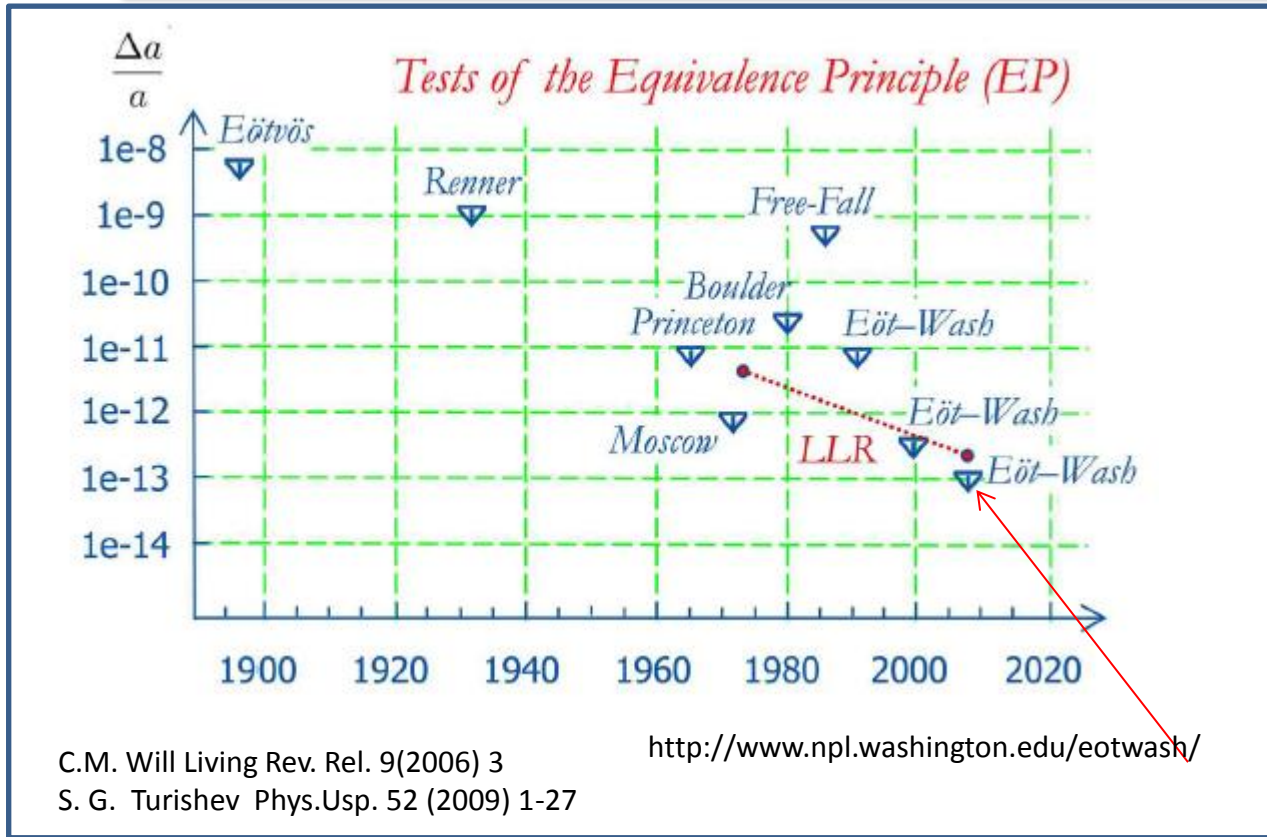
2) of the velocity of the freely-falling reference frame in which it is performed (LLI)

3) of where and when in the universe it is performed (LPI)

EEP tests : WEP tests + LLI tests + LPI tests

$$\eta = \frac{\Delta a}{a} = \frac{a_1 - a_2}{(a_1 + a_2)/2}$$

WEP tests: Universality of Free Fall (UFF)



Anticipated progresses in the test accuracy

$$m_G(A, Z) = m_I(A, Z) + \eta_e Z m_e + \eta_p Z m_p + \eta_n (A - Z) m_n + \eta_E E(A, Z)$$

$$|\eta_e| < 4 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

WEP is valid for e,p,n ...

$$|\eta_n| = |\delta_p| < 5 \cdot 10^{-9}$$

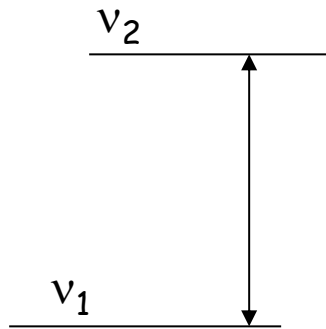
$$|\eta_E| < 5 \cdot 10^{-9}$$

R. J. Hughes, Cont. Phys. 34,177 (1993)

Only for matter

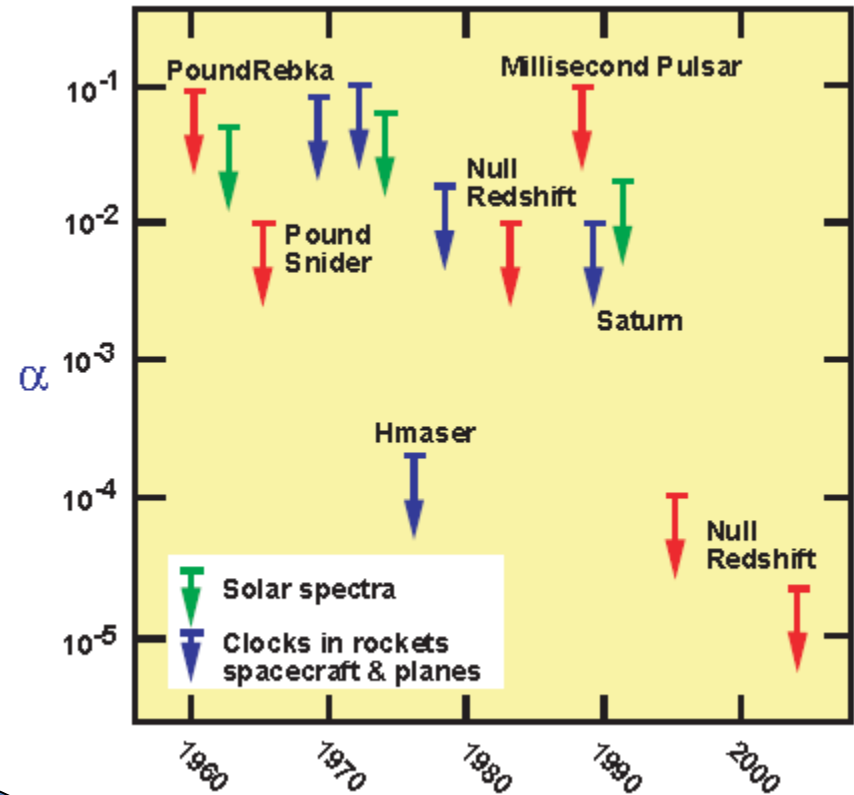
# Local Position Invariance Tests

## 1) Gravitational red shift



$$\frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu} = \left( (1 + \alpha) \frac{\Delta U}{c^2} \right)$$

Only for matter





# There are not direct tests of the equivalence principle for antimatter

$$m_i^{antimatter} \stackrel{?}{=} m_g^{matter}$$

- No direct experimental tests
- Main reason for making the experiment!

- Attempt with  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  : dominated by systematic effects; test with  $e^+$  never performed

F. C. Witteborn and W. M. Fairbank, Phys. Rev. Lett. 19, 1049 (1967).

- Experiment with antiprotons PS200@LEAR (CERN) : never completed  
control stray electric field  $10^{-7}$  V/m;  
development of many basic technologies later used in the antihydrogen experiments

- Cold Antihydrogen @ AD : 2002 ATHENA and ATRAP

- Alpha recent exp. limit:  $m_g/m_i$  for antihydrogen cannot be larger than 110

## AEgIS @ CERN: Antimatter Experiment gravity Interferometry Spectroscopy

- produce cold (100 mK) antiH beam
- measure the Earth acceleration  $g$ : initial accuracy 1% (more precision later)
- + antiH spectroscopy

“Indirect” arguments:

- Controversial
- model dependent
- large differences between matter and antimatter unexpected

# Equivalence principle for antimatter ( $\nu$ – anti $\nu$ ) and SN1987A

## SN1987A

- 11 (Kamiokande II) + 8 (IMB) + 5 (Baksan) = 24 (anti)neutrino events
  - burst duration <13 sec
  - $T_{\text{light}} - T_{\nu} = 6$  hours
  - Time delay generated by the field in our Galaxy: 4.8 months (Shapiro delay)
  - $\nu$  and light experience the same time delay within 6 hours/4.8 months  $\rightarrow$  0.5%
- $\nu$  satisfy EEP

- If there was at least one neutrino detected then S. Pakvasa et al., Phys. Rev. D 39 ,6, 1989 pag 1761  
 $\nu$  and anti  $\nu$  satisfy EEP within 13 sec/4.8 months  $\rightarrow 1.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$

BUT

- 1) **There is no signature for  $\nu$  and anti  $\nu$ :** unclear if there are  $\nu$  events
- 2) **Shapiro delay of relativistic particles is not a EEP test:**

“.. due to the overwhelming contribution of the kinetic energy to the effective passive gravitational mass, Shapiro delay neither tests the equivalence principle nor anomalous long-range couplings related to the intrinsic properties and quantum numbers of the particles...”

G.T. Gillies Class. Quantum Grav. **29** (2012) 232001

Sensitivity to any violation is suppressed by relativistic factors



# Equivalence principle for antimatter and frequency measurements

"Red shift type" argument : clock frequency is influenced by the gravitational field

PRL 66,7 (1991) R. J. Hughes et al

Cyclotron frequency of protons and antiprotons in the same magnetic field

$$\left| \frac{\omega_c - \bar{\omega}_c}{\omega_c} \right| < 9 \cdot 10^{-11}$$

G. Gabrielse et al PRL 82 (3198) (1999)

Assumptions

- 1) Protons do not violate the Equivalence Principle
- 2) EEP violation for antiprotons parametrized by  $\alpha$
- 3) At "infinity" by CPT symmetry  $\omega_{c0} = \bar{\omega}_{c0}$

Gravitational potential

$$\frac{\omega_c - \bar{\omega}_c}{\omega_c} = (3\alpha - 1) \frac{U}{c^2}$$

$\alpha < 3 \cdot 10^{-6}$  if matter and antimatter are coupled to a same tensor field

$\alpha < 10^{-1}$  for anomalous interaction with limited range

$$\frac{U}{c^2} = 3 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

$$\frac{U}{c^2} = 6 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

Model dependent, CPT symmetry is assumed, absolute potential ....

# Equivalence principle for antimatter and scalar-vector forces

- General relativity is a classical (non quantum) theory;
- Theoretical difficulties in building a unified quantum field theory including gravity;
- New quantum scalar and vector fields (in addition to the tensor gravitational field) are allowed in some models (Kaluza Klein ....)
- These fields may mediate interactions violating the equivalence principle

**Scalar:** “charge” of particle equal to “charge of antiparticle” : attractive force

**Vector:** “charge” of particle opposite to “charge of antiparticle” : repulsive/attractive force

Phys. Rev. D 33 (2475) (1986)

$$V = -\frac{G_{\infty}}{r} m_1 m_2 \left( 1 \mp a e^{-r/v} + b e^{-r/s} \right)$$

M. Nieto and T. Goldman, Phys. Rep. 205, 5 221-281,(1992)

Bellucci & Faraoni, Phys. Lett. B 377 (1996) 55

J. Scherk, Phys. Lett. B 88 (1979) 265.

# Limits on vector forces from torsion balance experiments

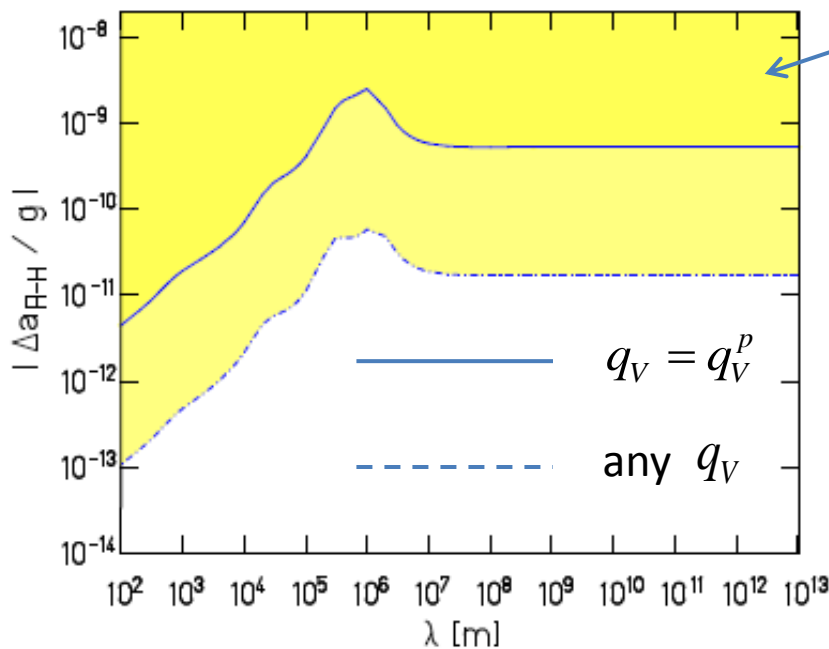
<http://www.npl.washington.edu/eotwash/>

$$\mathbf{q}_V = \mathbf{q}_V^p \mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{q}_V^e \mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{q}_V^n (A - \mathbf{Z})$$

$$\frac{\Delta a_{1,2}}{a} \propto \left( \mathbf{q}_V^p + \mathbf{q}_V^e \right) \left( \frac{\mathbf{Z}_1}{\mu_1} - \frac{\mathbf{Z}_2}{\mu_2} \right) + \left( \mathbf{q}_V^n \right) \left( \frac{(A - \mathbf{Z})_1}{\mu_1} - \frac{(A - \mathbf{Z})_2}{\mu_2} \right)$$

Where

$$\mu = \frac{m}{\text{atomic mass}}$$



T.A. Wagner et al., Class. Quantum Grav. 29 (2012) 184002

Updated of previous results

E. Adelberger et al, PRL 66,7 (1991) 850

Criticism by

M. Nieto et al Phys. Rep. 205 (5) 221 (1991)

T. Goldmann et al, PRL 67,8 (1048) 1991

M. Charlton et al Phys. Rep 241 65 (1994)

R. Hughes Hyp. Int.76 3 (1996)

- The analysis is model dependent
- Cancellation between scalar and vect. contributions are possible

See also:

M. Fischler et al., arXiv:0808.3929 [hep-th] (2008)

D. S. Alves et al., 0907.4110v1 [hep-ph] (2009)

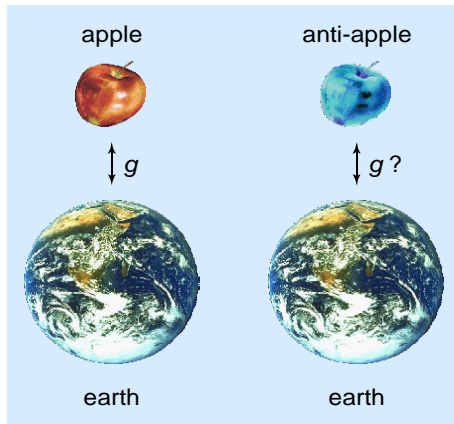
# Symmetries and CPT

- Symmetries: operations leaving theory and experiment unchanged
- Symmetries are associated to operators in quantum field theory whose values do not change as result of the interaction
- P (parity- change of sign in coordinates ): em and strong interaction are P invariant
- Until 1956 P was considered fundamental like energy conservation
- 1956 : Lee and Yang suggest that there is no evidence that weak interaction respect parity
- 1956: Wu et al.: study of angular distribution of electrons in  $\beta$  decay of spin polarized nuclei : evidence of P violation
- P Violation was a revolution: CP must be conserved
- But also CP is violated!
- We do not detect until now any process where CPT is violated (T:Time reversal)

# Equivalence principle for antimatter and CPT

- 1) CPT :  $m_i^{particle} = m_i^{antiparticle}$
- 2) General Relativity is “classic”: it does not know CPT
- 3) Attempt to construct quantum gravity theories: effort in progress.....  
no final theory until now....
- 5) Anyway : CPT will eventually tell us  
that the force between **anti Apple** and **anti Earth**  
is equal to that between **Apple** and **Earth** .....

What about anti Apple and Earth??



- CPT is related to basic principle of quantum field theory: not to one particular theory
- CPT proof only needs
  - Lorentz invariance
  - local field concepts
- Consequences :
  - equality of mass of particles and antiparticles
  - equality of energy levels of systems made by matter and antimatter
  - .....

# Standard Model Extension (SME) and Lorentz Invariance Violation

<http://people.carleton.edu/~jtasson/>  
<http://www.physics.indiana.edu/~kostelec/>  
<http://physics2.nmu.edu/~nrussell/>

SME: (Standard Model Extension) it is an effective field theory which contains

- General Relativity
- Standard Model
- Possibility of Lorentz Invariance Violation
- CPT violation comes with Lorentz violation

Violation of Lorentz invariance in several class of theory appears as effect of spontaneous breaking of the symmetry: SME accounts for this in very general way

It contains parameters allowing to make comparison with experiments

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left( m + \frac{5}{3} N^w m^w \bar{c}_{TT}^w \right)}_{m_{i,\text{eff}}} v^2 - gz \underbrace{\left( m + N^w m^w \bar{c}_{TT}^w + 2\alpha N^w (\bar{a}_{\text{eff}}^w)_T \right)}_{m_{g,\text{eff}}}$$

CPT odd  
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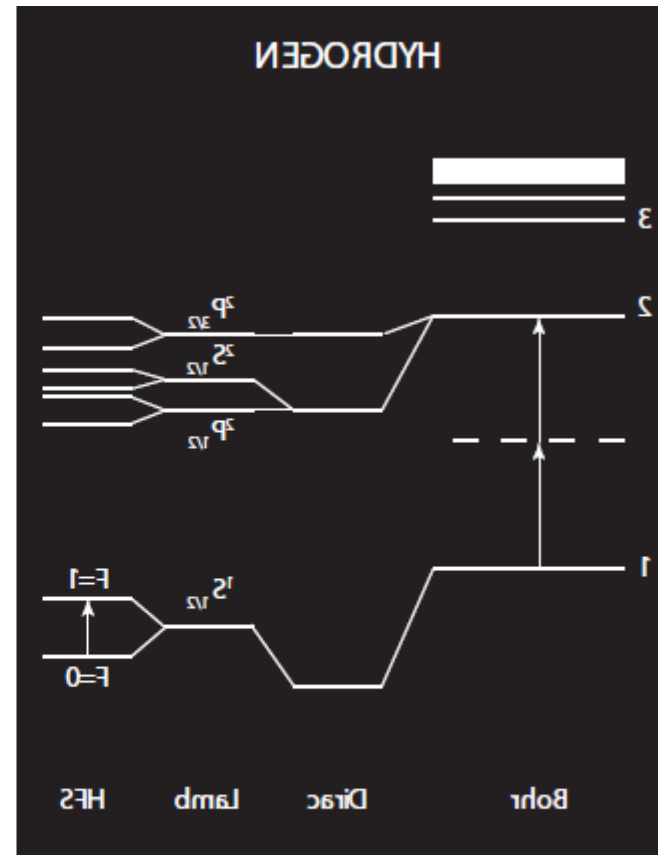
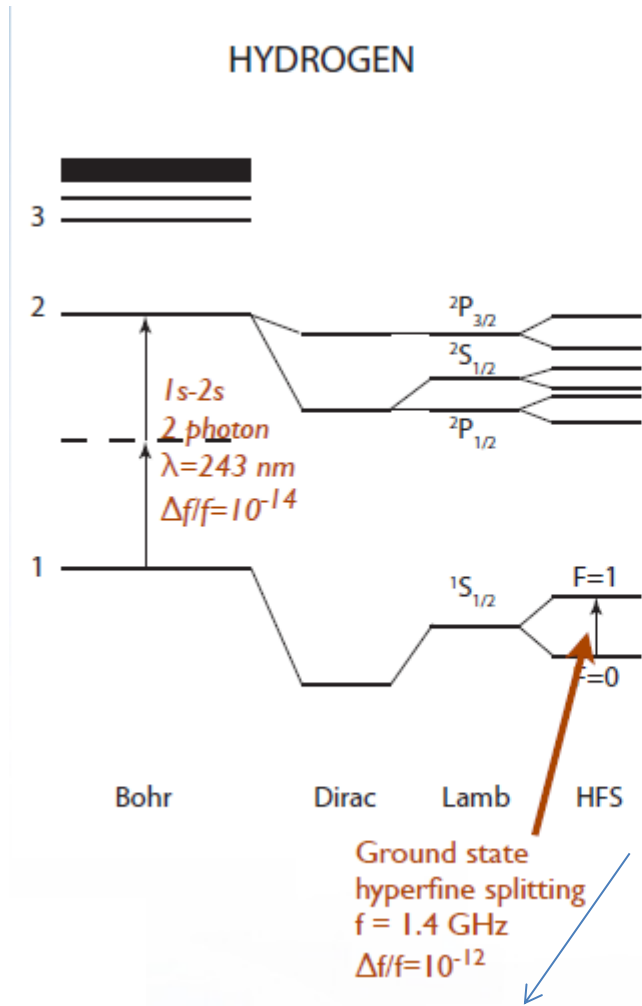
$m_i = m_g$  for matter

$m_i \neq m_g$  for antimatter

Model allowing a different inertial and gravitational mass for antimatter are “possible”

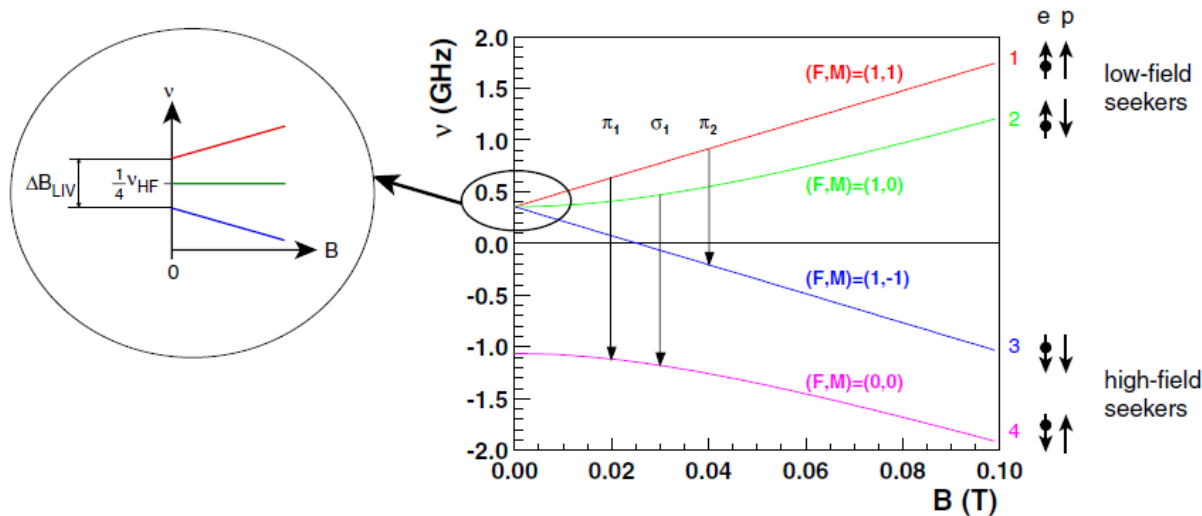


# AntiHydrogen HFS: Hyperfine structure of the fundamentele state



$$\nu_{HF} = 1\,420\,405\,751.766\,7 \pm 0.0009 \text{ Hz}$$

# AntiHydrogen HFS: CPT and Lorentz violation



Correction to the energy levels:

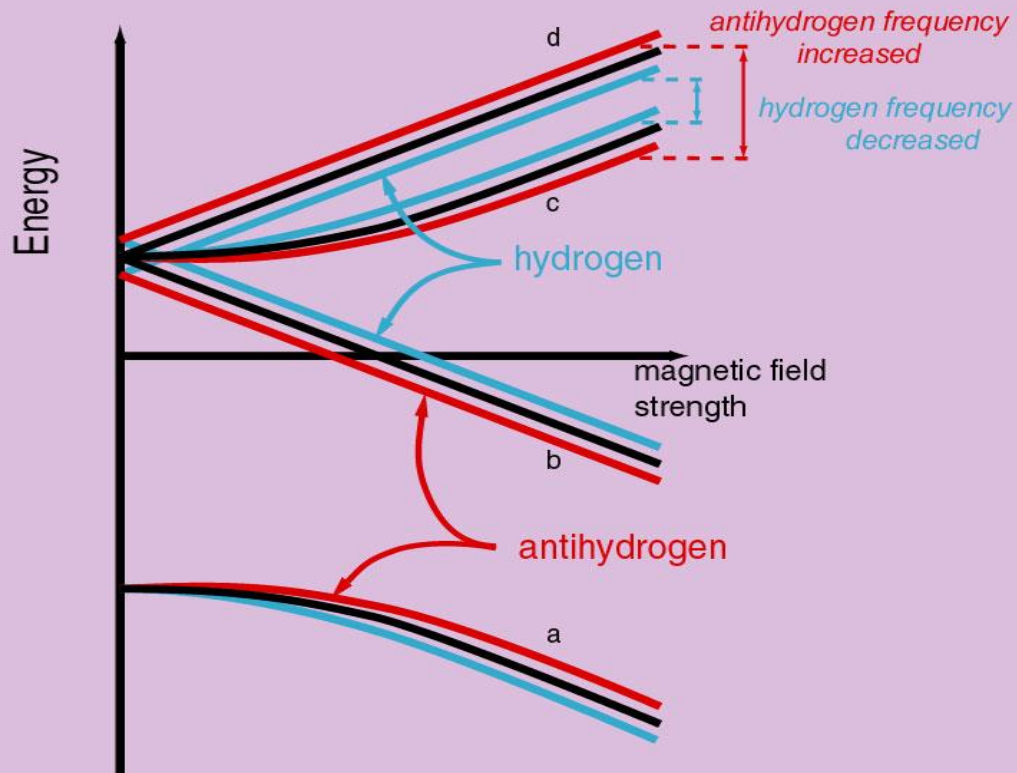
SME:

#1	$(F, M) = (1, 1) :$	$\Delta E_1^H = -b_3^e - b_3^p + d_{30}^e m_e + d_{30}^p m_p + H_{12}^e + H_{12}^p$
#2	$(F, M) = (1, 0) :$	$\Delta E_2^H = -\cos 2\theta [b_3^e - b_3^p - d_{30}^e m_e + d_{30}^p m_p - H_{12}^e + H_{12}^p]$
#3	$(F, M) = (1, -1) :$	$\Delta E_3^H = -\Delta E_1^H$
#4	$(F, M) = (0, 0) :$	$\Delta E_4^H = -\Delta E_2^H,$

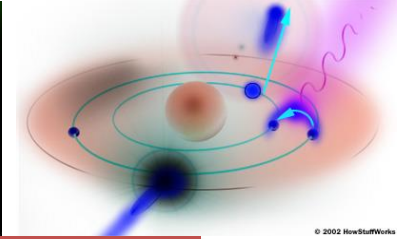
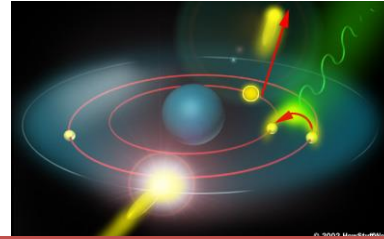
R. Bluhm, V. A. Kosteleck, and N. Russell, Phys. Rev. Lett. 82 (1999) 2254.

Lorentz invariance violation, CPT violation will show up as anomalous HFS frequency for Hbar: low energy signal of new physics at GUT scale....

## Shifts in the hydrogen and antihydrogen ground-state energy levels



# CPT and Hbar spectroscopy



1S-2S in hydrogen

..... $\Delta\nu/\nu < 10^{-15}$   
Natural width

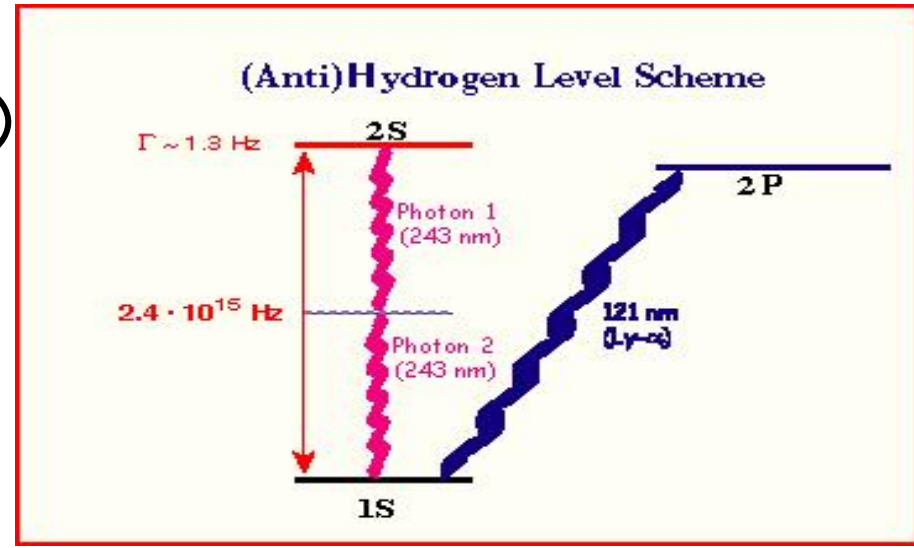
2 466 061 413 187 103 (46) Hz

$$\Delta\nu/\nu = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-14}$$

Cold beam  $E \approx 100 \text{ mK}$

[M. Niering et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 84 (2000) 5496]

Measure 1S-2S of H and antiH in two period of the year: the gravitation field change by  $\Delta U$



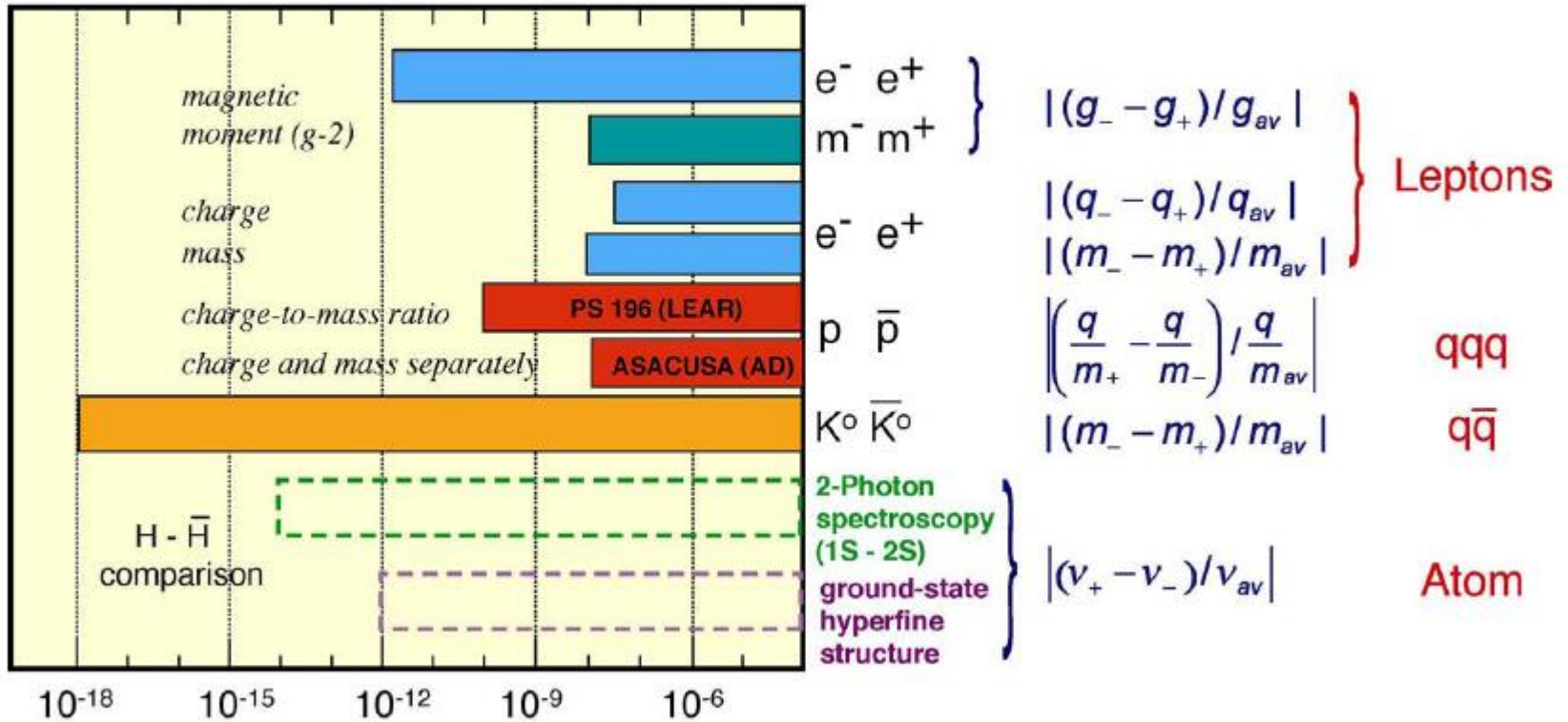
WEP  $\rightarrow \Delta\omega = \frac{\Delta U}{c^2}$

Null red shift experiment" : CPT independent

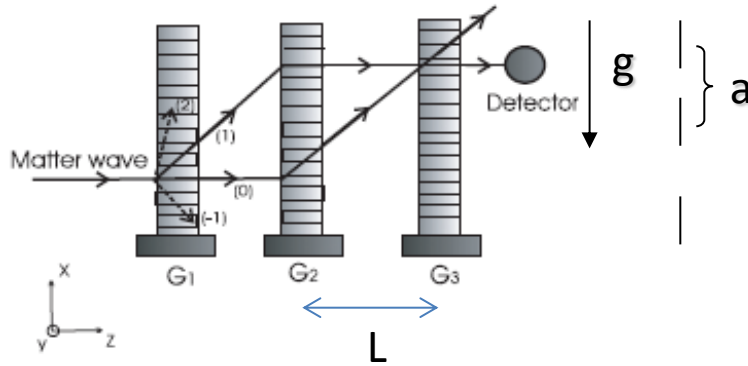
$$\frac{\Delta\omega_{1S-2S}^H - \Delta\omega_{1S-2S}^{\bar{H}}}{\Delta\omega_{1S-2S}^H} \approx 10^{-15} \Rightarrow (\alpha_{\bar{H}} - 1) \approx 10^{-6}$$

# CPT tests

Precision of some CPT Tests



# Atom interferometry and high precision gravity measurements on cold atoms



T: flight time between  $G_1$  and  $G_2$

- Split and recombine the atomic wave function in presence of gravity
- Interference pattern with phase shift sensitive to  $g$

$$\Delta\phi_g = kgT^2 = \frac{2\pi}{a}gT^2$$

Quantum interference if  $a = \frac{2\pi}{k} \ll \sqrt{\lambda_{DB}L} = \sqrt{\frac{h}{mV}}L$

Very cold (anti)atoms are needed  
We need a beam very collimated

Matter wave interference:

- material grating: period 100-200 nm for Hbar with  $T \ll 100$  mK
- Light
- light and change of internal state population

$$\frac{\Delta g}{g} \propto 10^{-10} \propto T^2$$

Very cold Cs atoms:  $\mu\text{K}$  nK launched in a atomic fountain

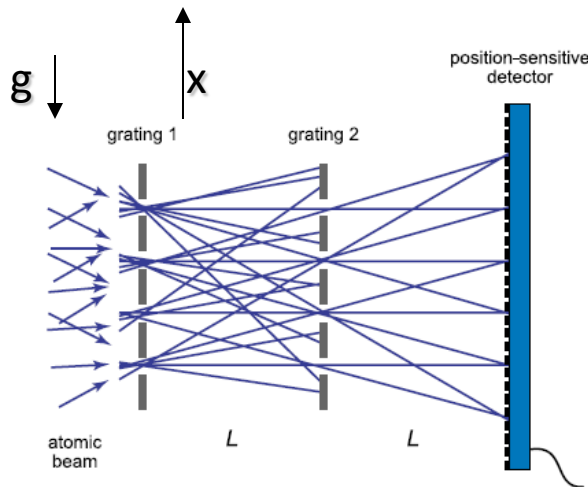
## The first goal of AEgIS: gravity measurement with a classical Moire' Deflectometer

- It is very difficult to obtain very cold antihydrogen
- The antihydrogen beam will be poorly collimated
- Difficult to observe quantum effect with material gratings ( poor beam collimation)
- Difficult to build a (anti)atomic fountain

First goal:

- use two gratings with classical paths (no quantum interference)
- Moire' deflectometer
- Initial accuracy 1% (even reaching this accuracy is challenging!!)
- It works with non collimated beam
- grating period 40 micron

# The AEGIS Moire' deflectometer



- Antihydrogen can pass only through holes in the grating
- Observe the number of particles arriving at a distance L from second grating
- $N(x)$  shows a periodical structure with period a
- Gravity effect: “fall” of the pattern by  $\Delta x$
- No collimated beam
- Classical paths
- Large dimension gratings

$$\Delta x = gT^2 = g \left( \frac{L}{v_h} \right)^2$$

Grating distance L    40 cm

Grating size:        20 x 20 cm<sup>2</sup>

Grating period:     a=40 μm

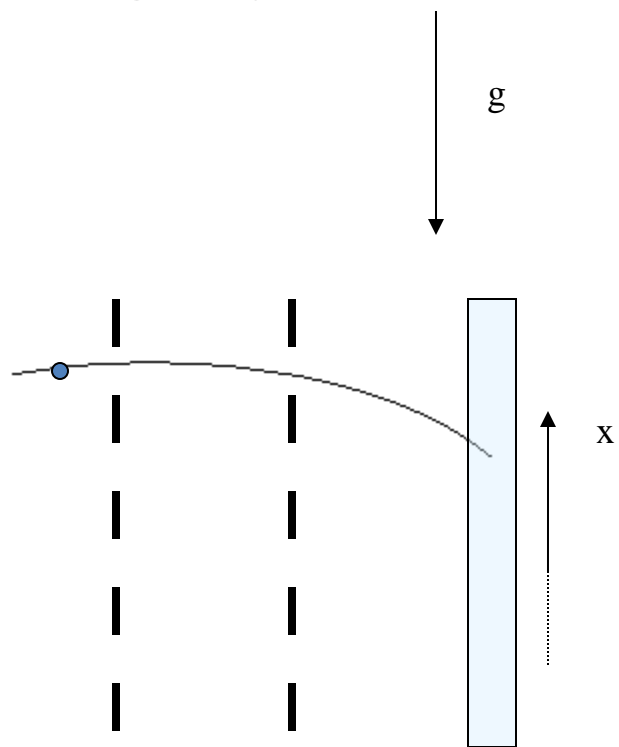
Opening fraction:    30%

Δx:                    17.4 μm (  $v_h=300$  m/s)

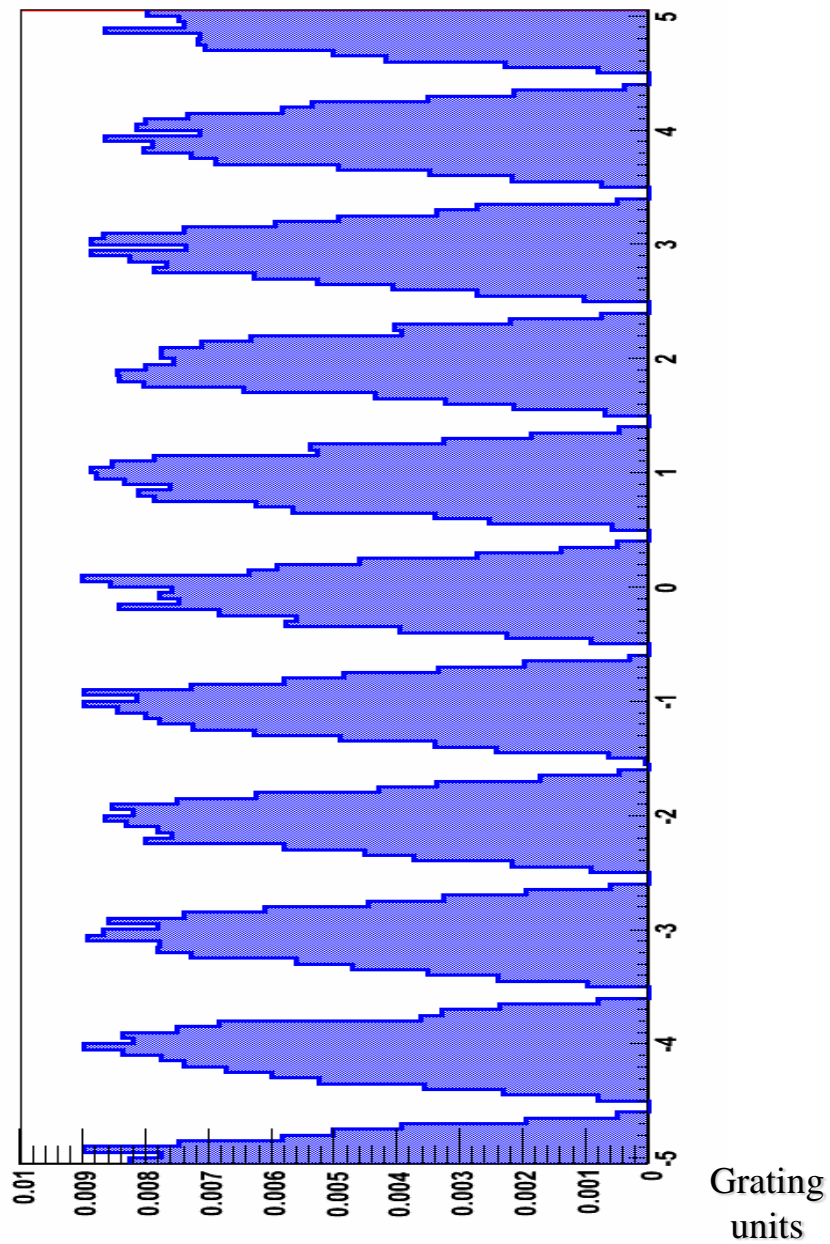
Pos. resol.            10 μm in the proposal    (1 μm seems possible with emulsions.. see later)



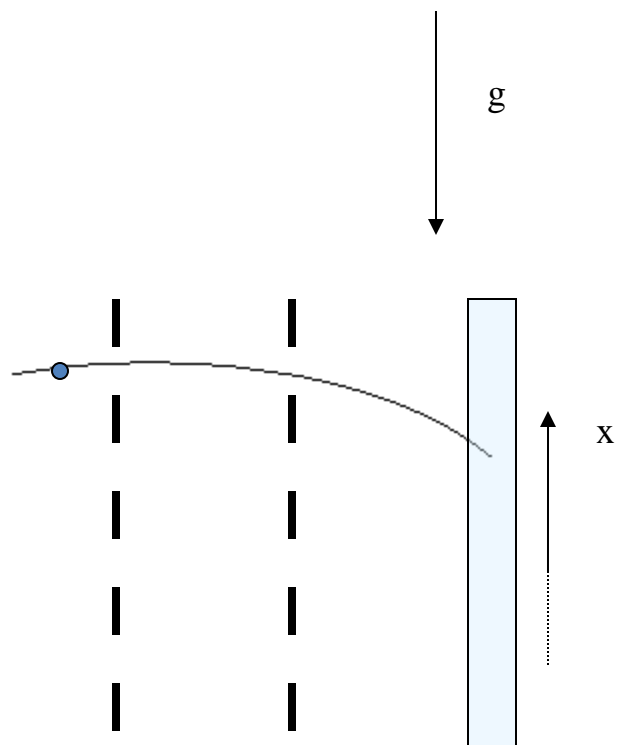
With gravity force



$$V_h = 600 \text{ m/s}$$

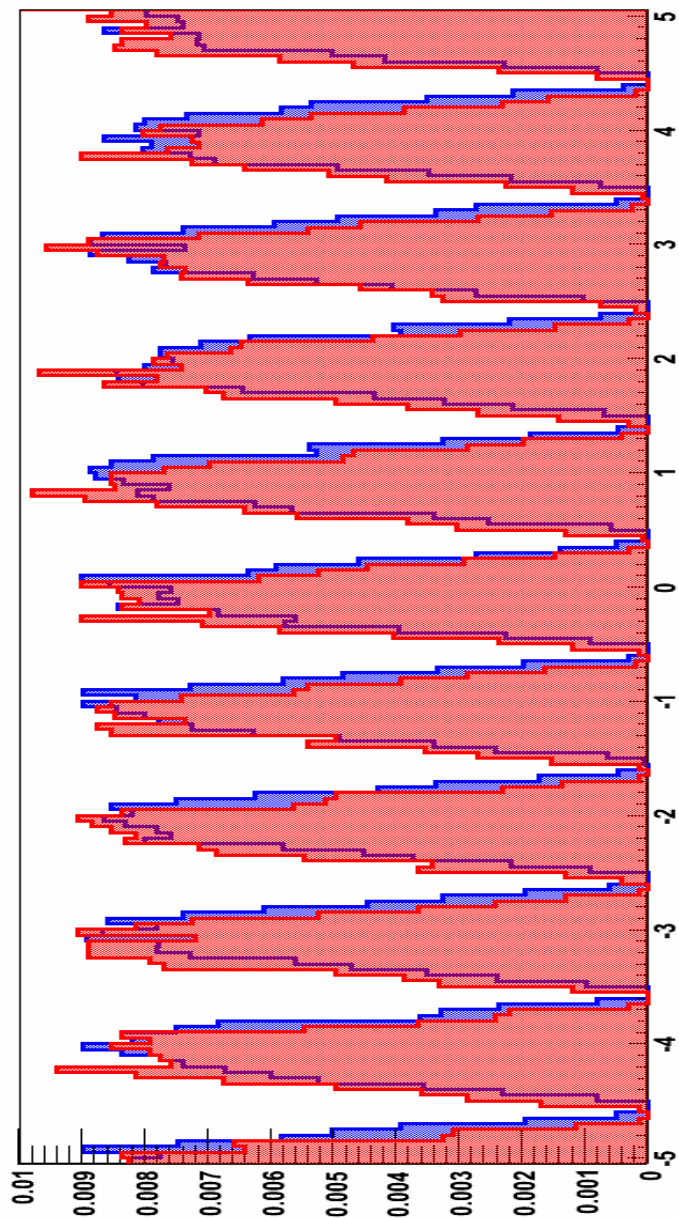


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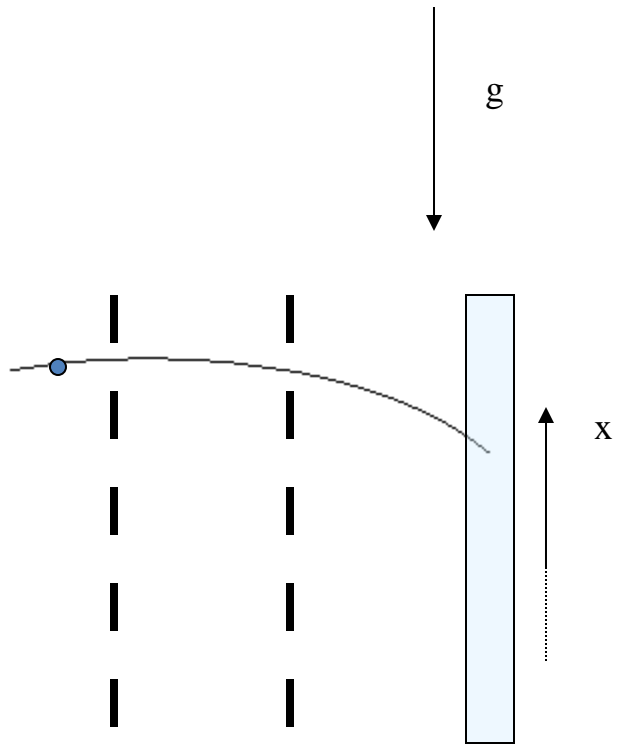


$$V_h = 600 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_h = 400 \text{ m/s}$$



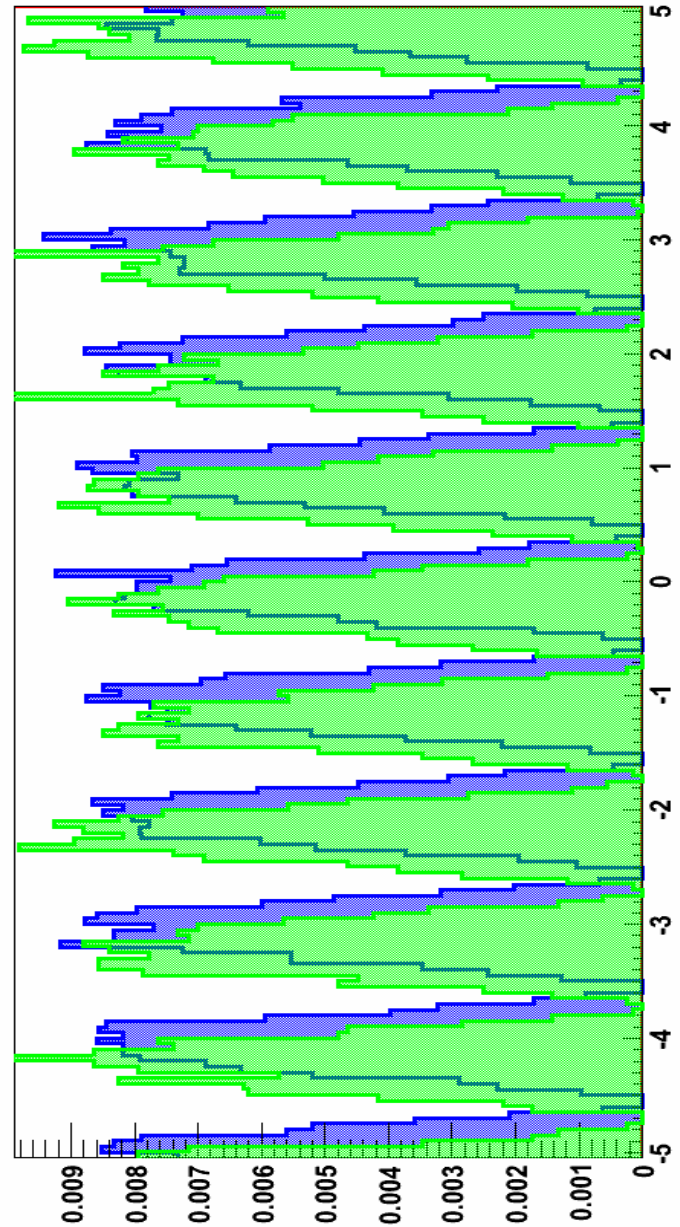
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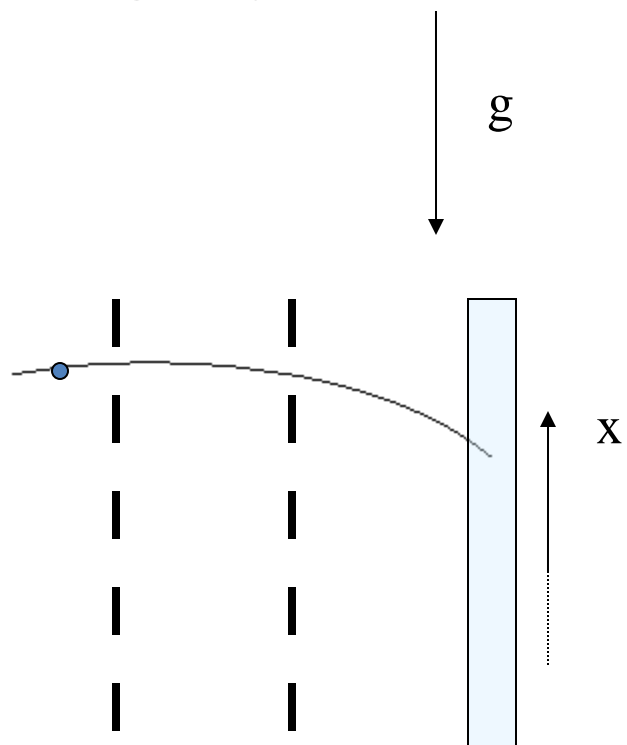
$$V_h = 600 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_h = 300 \text{ m/s}$$

Gratin  
units

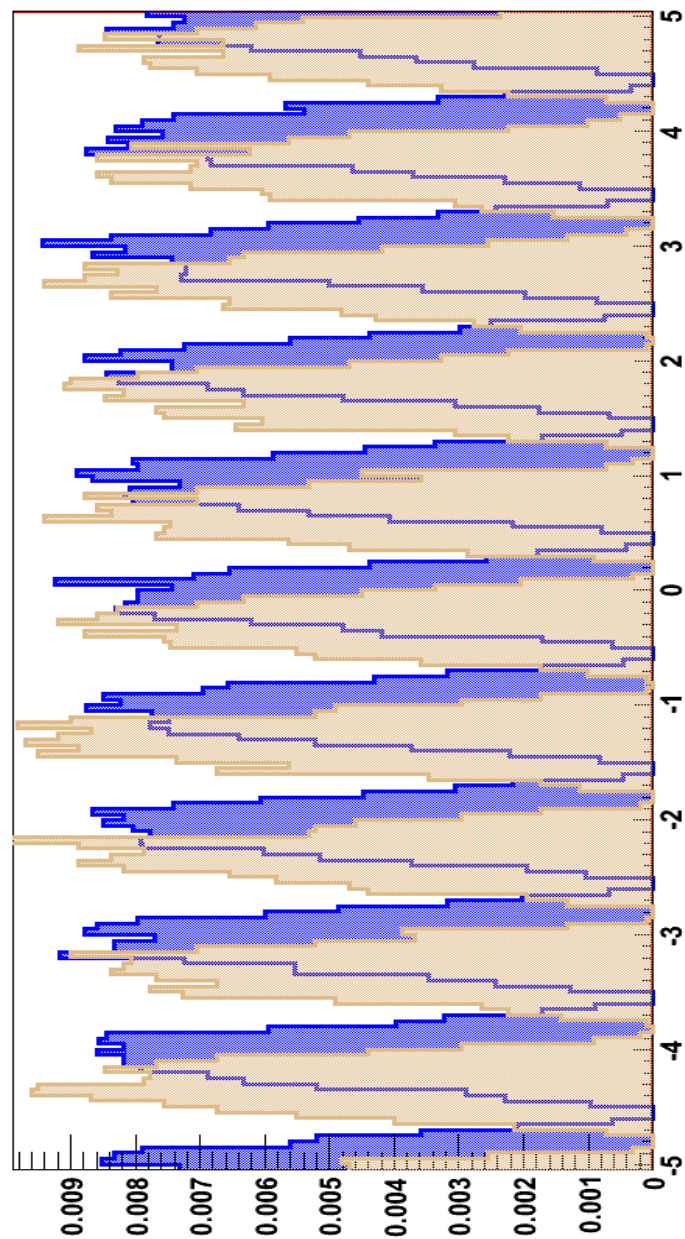


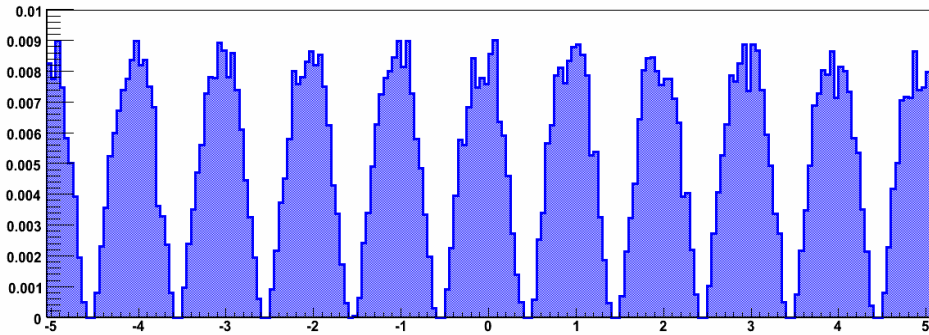
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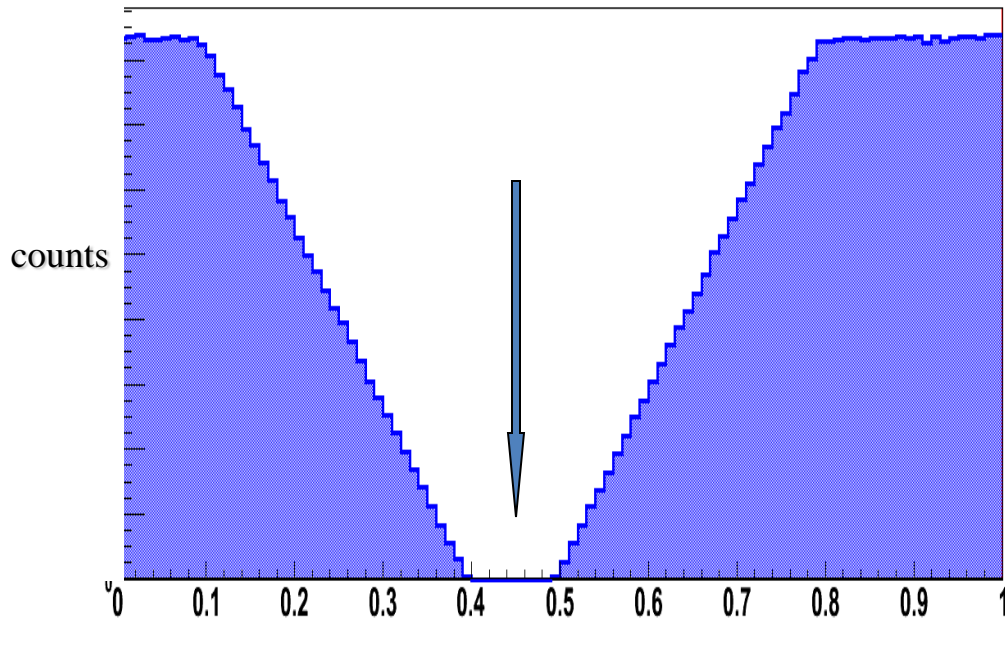
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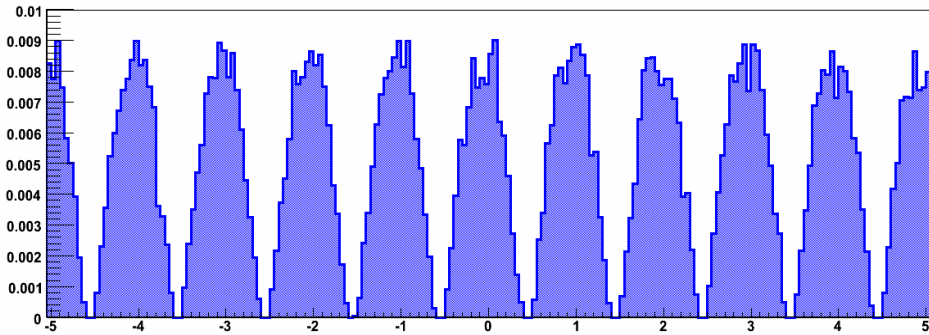


Plot the hit position along the detector modulo the grating period  $a$

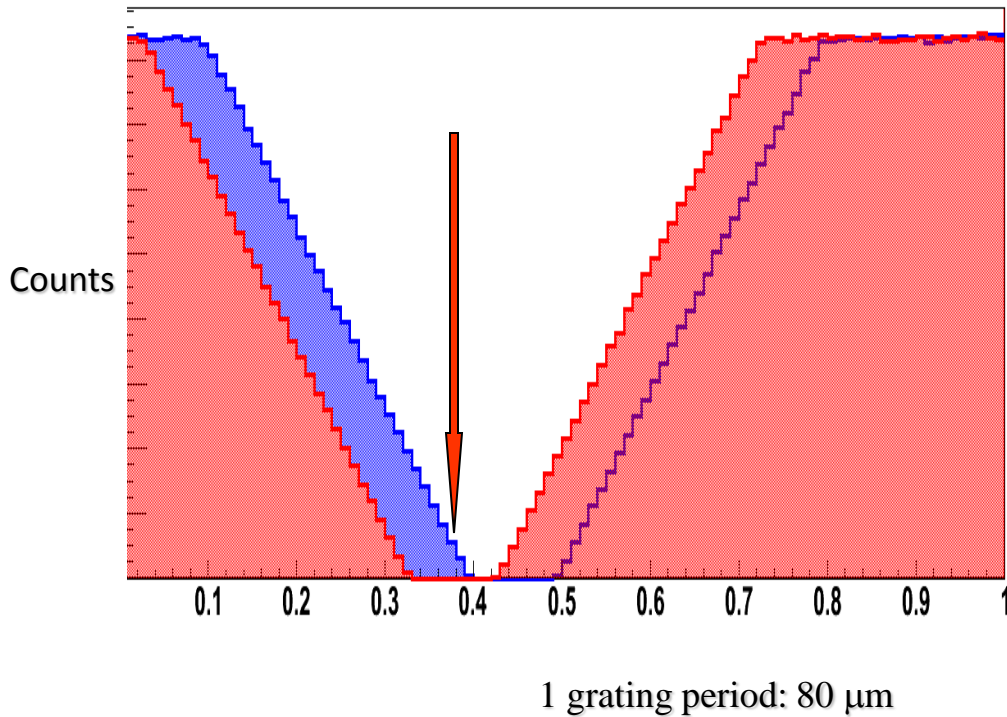


$V_h = 600$  m/s

$X$  (grating units)



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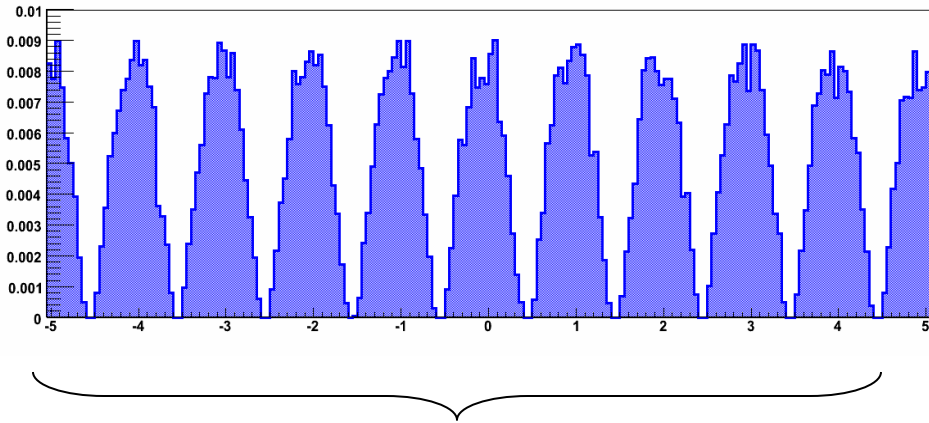


$V_h = 600$  m/s

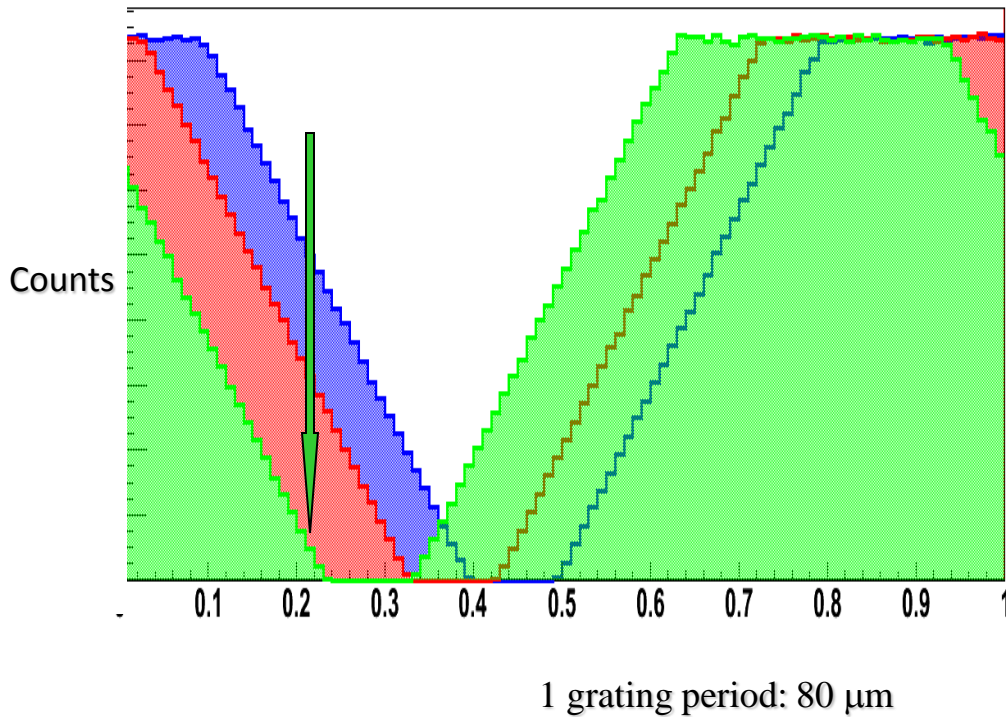
$V_h = 400$  m/s

X (grating units)

1 grating period:  $80 \mu\text{m}$



Plot the hit position along the detector modulo the grating period  $a$



$$V_h = 600 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_h = 400 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_h = 300 \text{ m/s}$$

$X$  (grating units)

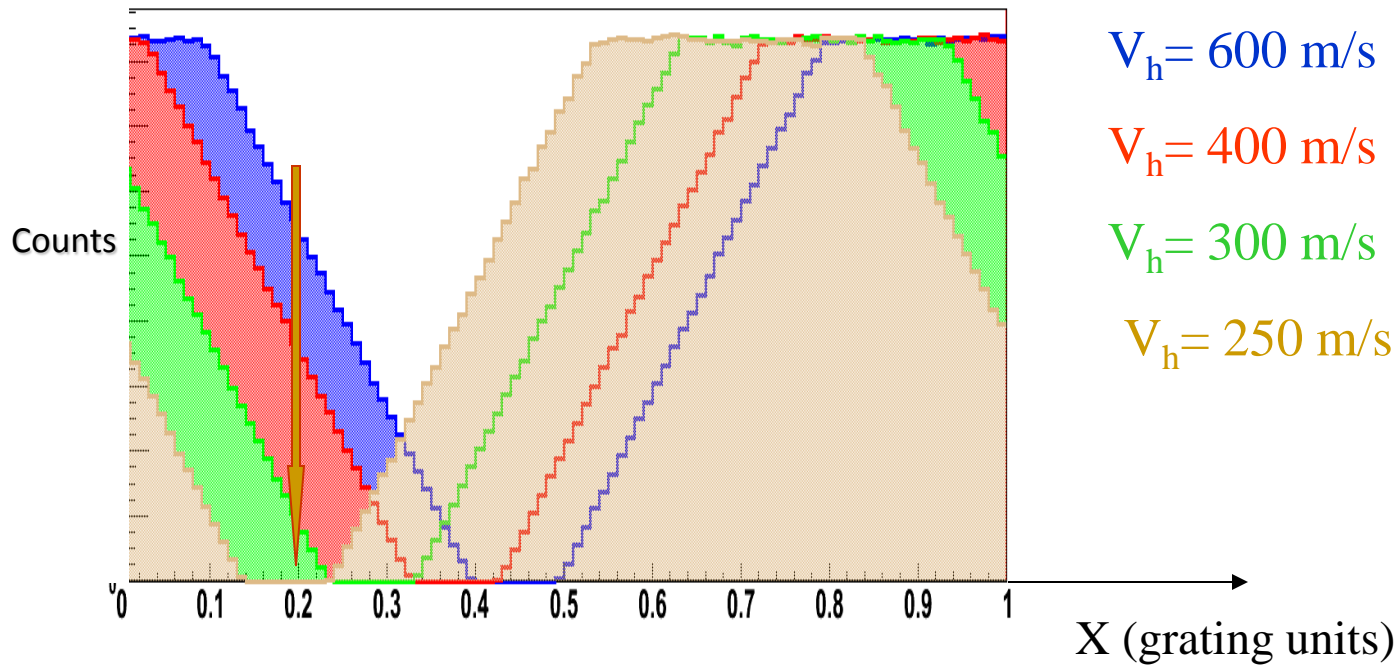
1 grating period:  $80 \mu\text{m}$

Gravity induced vertical shift of the pattern (grating units)

$a$ : grating period

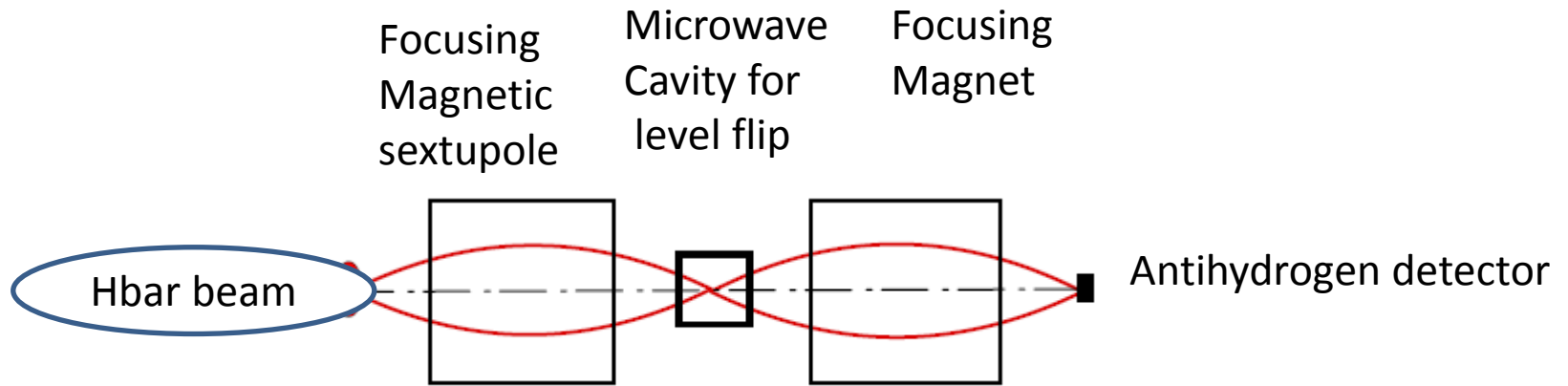
$T$ : time of flight between the two gratings

$$\delta = \frac{gT^2}{a}$$





## The HFS measurement with the Hbar beam



Expected sensitivity:  $10^{-6}$

# The AEgIS experiment

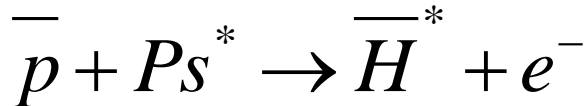
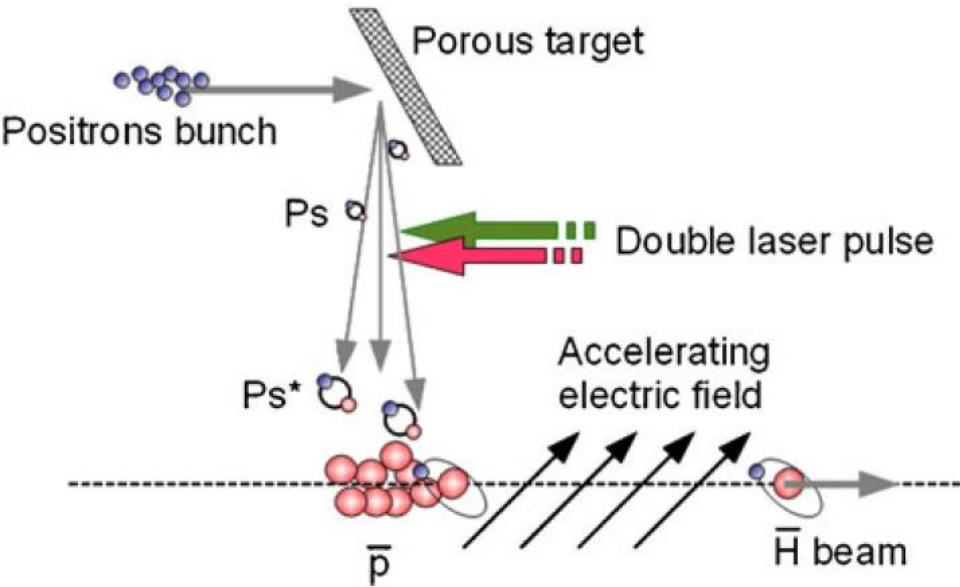
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- How anti-hydrogen is made in AEgIS?
- How the beam is formed?

Many different technologies are integrated in AEgIS:

- atomic physics
- non neutral plasma physics
- detectors typical of particle physics
- XHV
- Cryogenics

# Pulsed antihydrogen formation in AEGIS



- It is very hard to get extremely cold antiprotons
- Beam collimation: related to antiproton temperature
- 100 mK: never reached until now!

- Prepare ultracold antiprotons

$$100 \text{ mK} \approx 8 \mu\text{eV}$$

Some  $10^5$ , 1 mm radius, 1 cm length

- Prepare a bunch of positrons

$10^8$ , 1 mm radius

- Launch  $e^+$  toward a nonporous target

$\Delta t < 10 \text{ ns}$

- Positronium is formed with 30% eff.

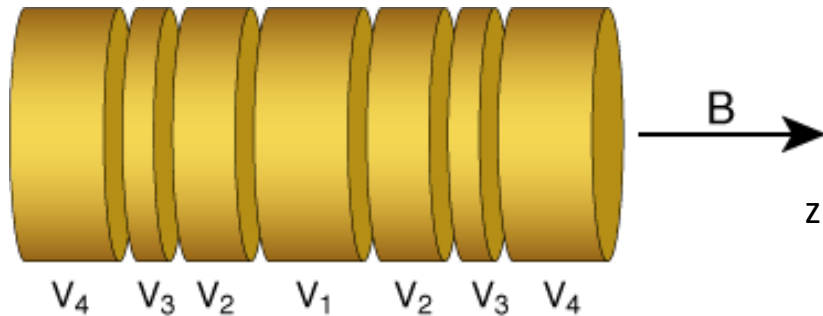
- Excite Ps to selected Rydberg states:  $n = 18-22$  with two laser pulses

- Form antihydrogen by charge exchange; formation time known within few  $\mu\text{s}$

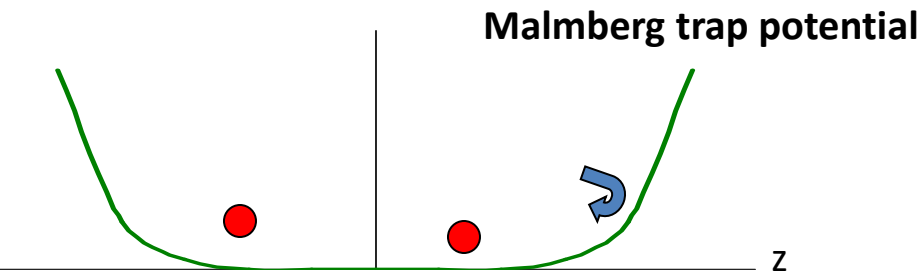
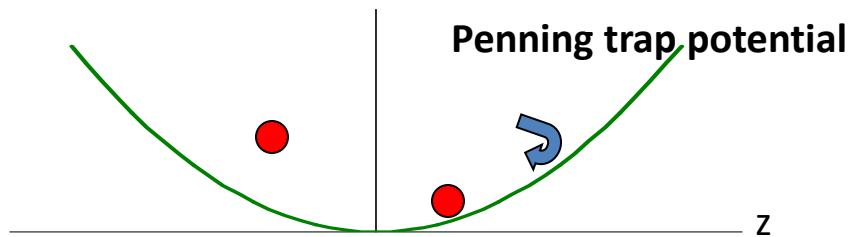
- Accelerate antiH toward the grating using non homogeneous electric fields

- Repeat every few minutes

# Trapping, long term storage and cooling charged particles

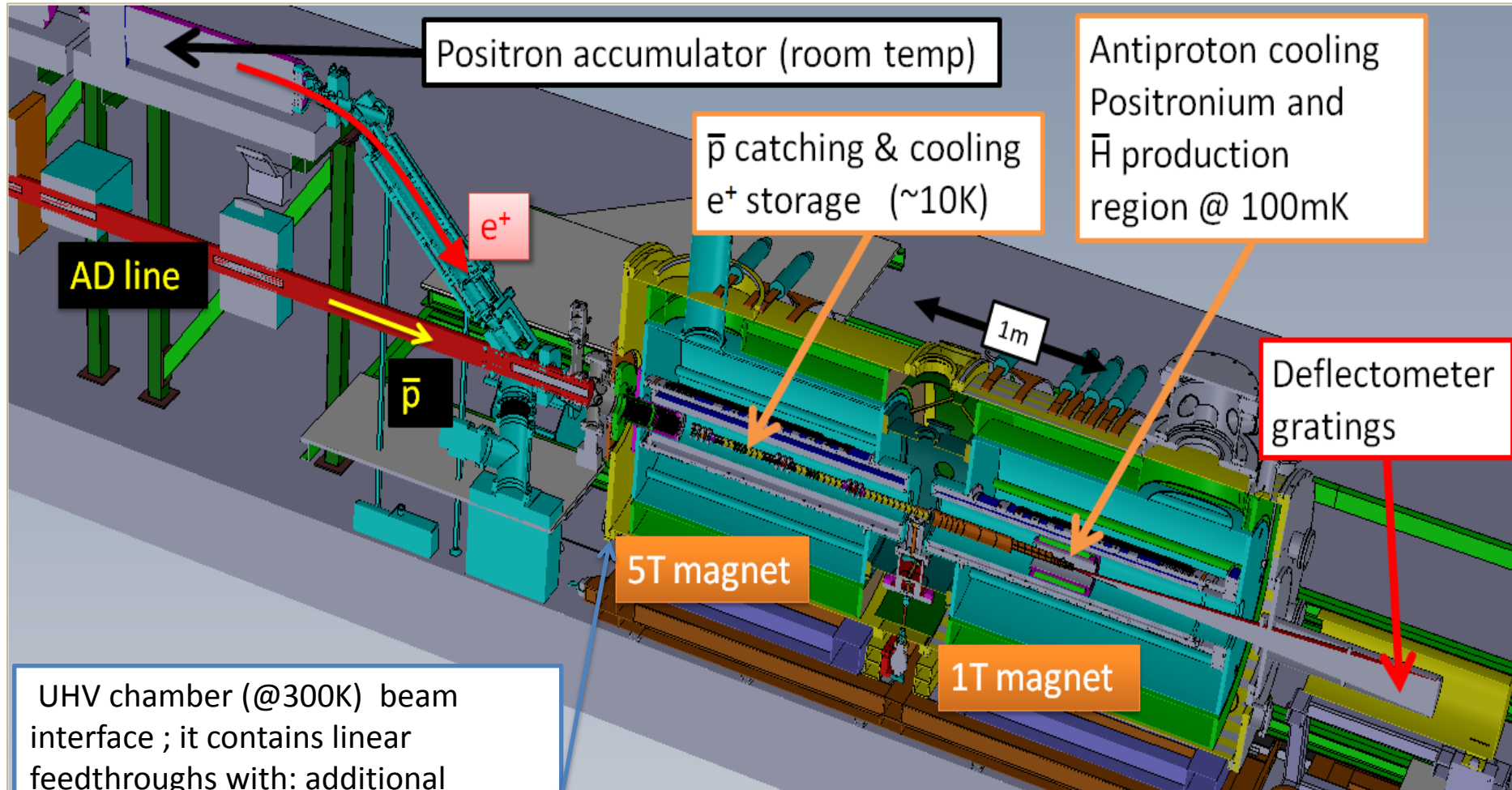


- Radius : 0.5-2 cm
- Length : 2 m in AEGIS
- more than 100 electrodes
- B = 5 Tesla , 1 Tesla
- 0.1 T in e<sup>+</sup> accumulator
- V = Volts or KV
- Pressure << 10<sup>-12</sup> mb XHV  
cryogenic environment



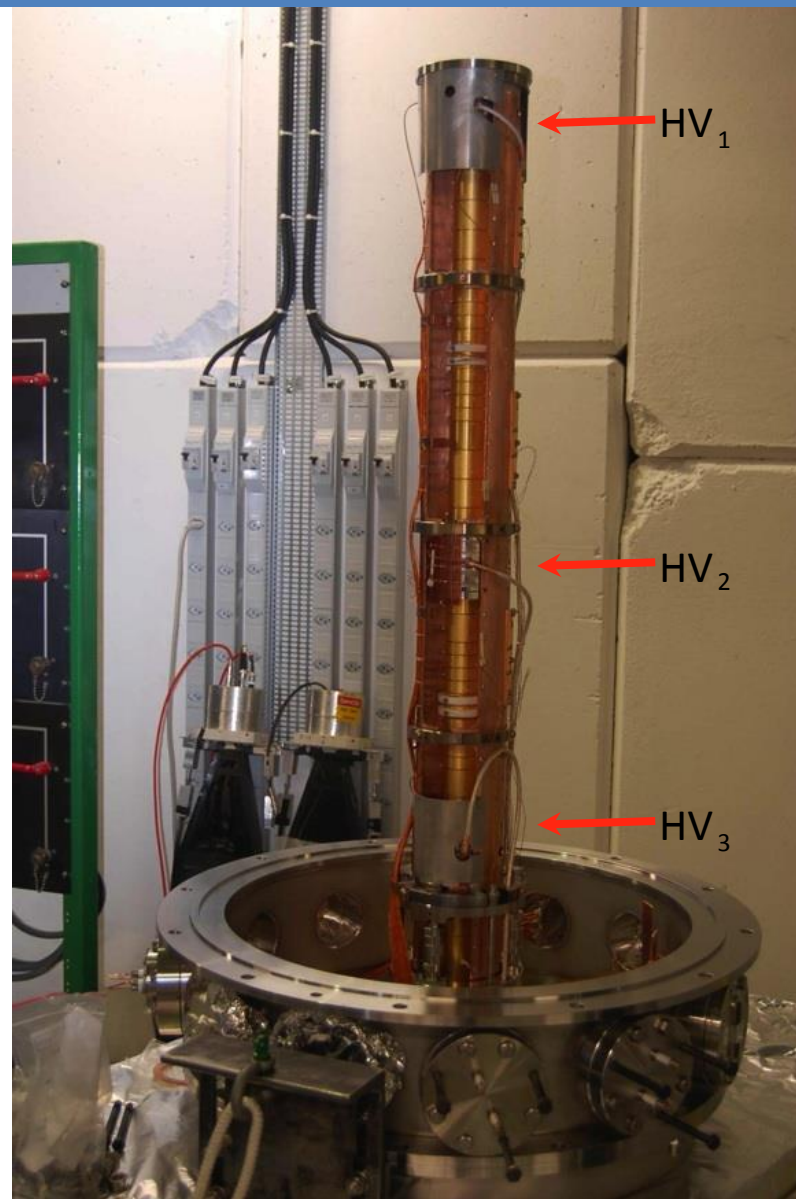
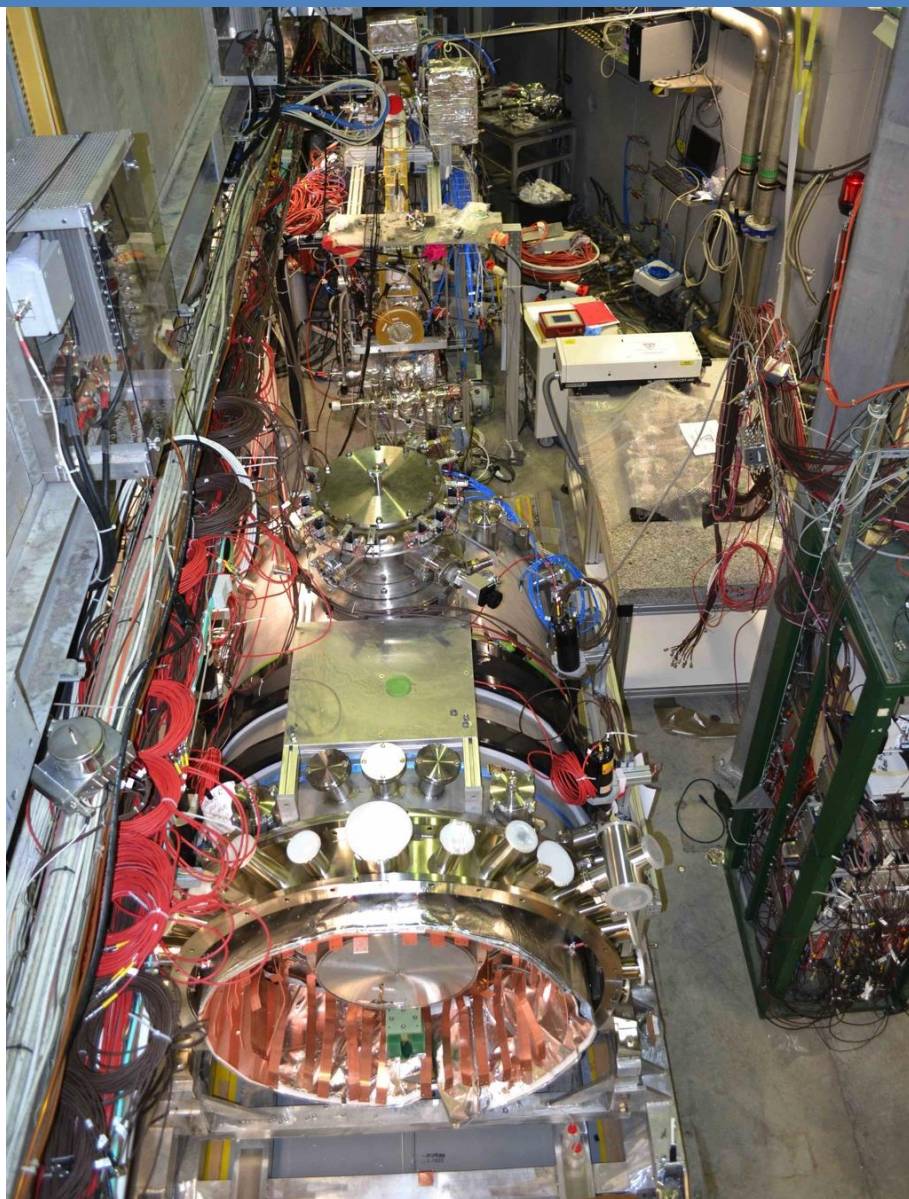
- Cold non neutral plasma
- Collective effect
- Dynamics determined by space charge

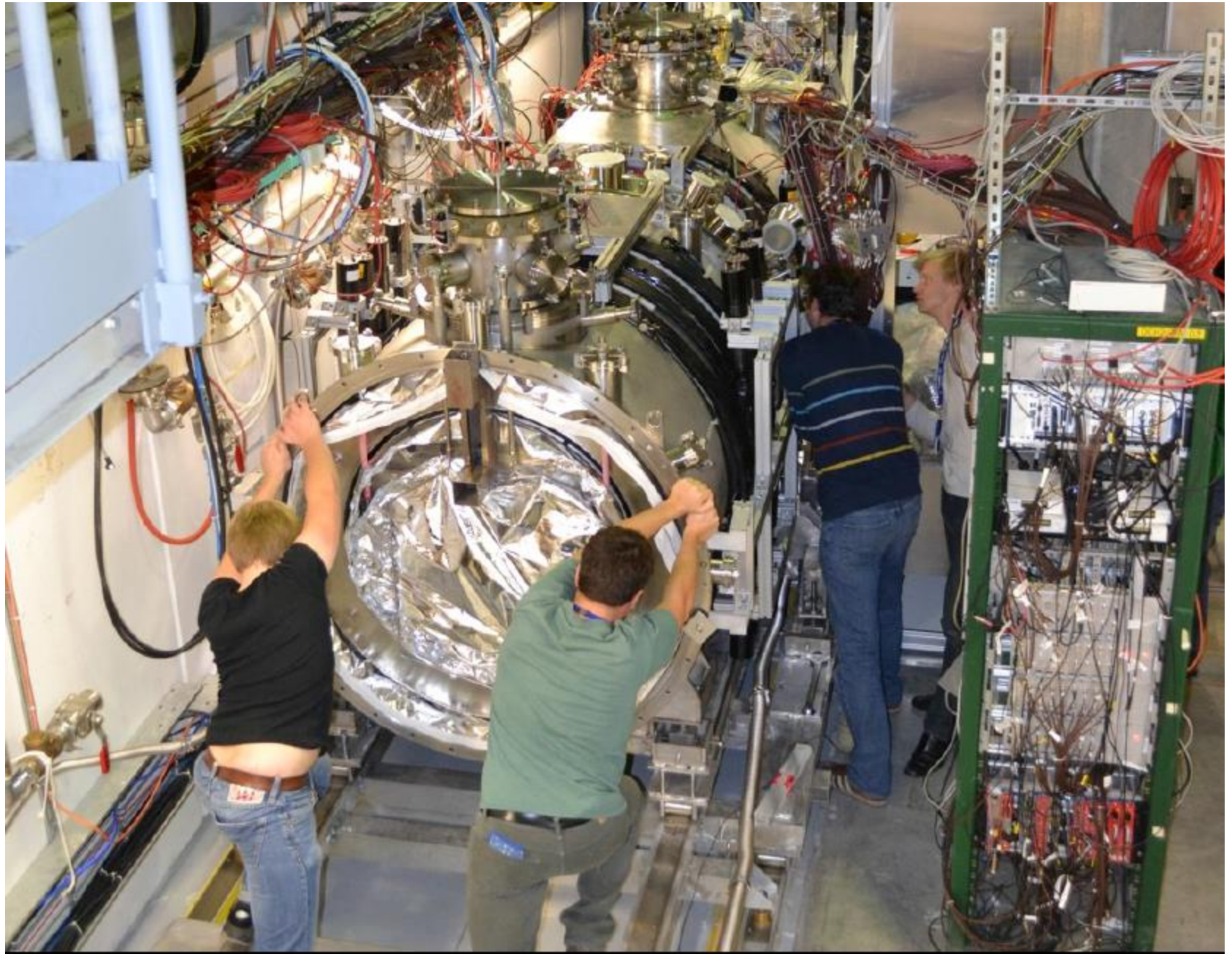
# AEgIS experimental apparatus



UHV chamber (@300K) beam interface ; it contains linear feedthroughs with: additional degrader foils;  $e^-$  gun; mirror for CCD; MCP and final degrader movement

AEgIS has been mounted in 2012: first data with antiprotons in May and Dec. 2012



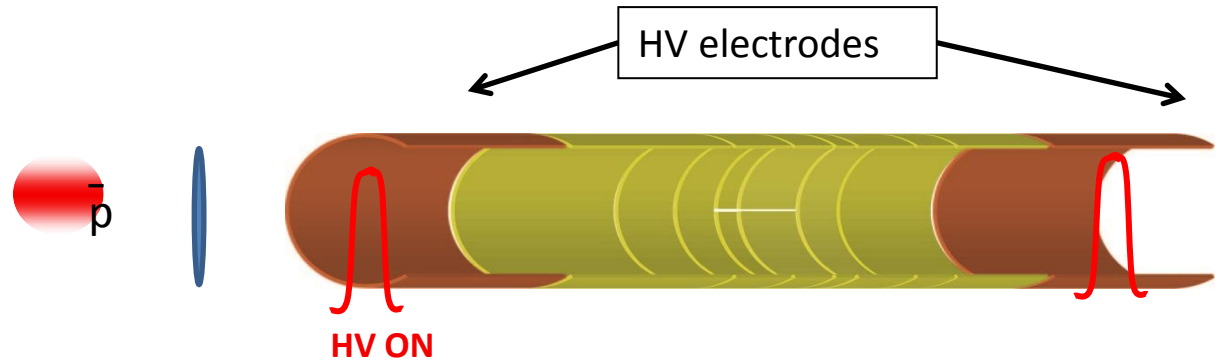




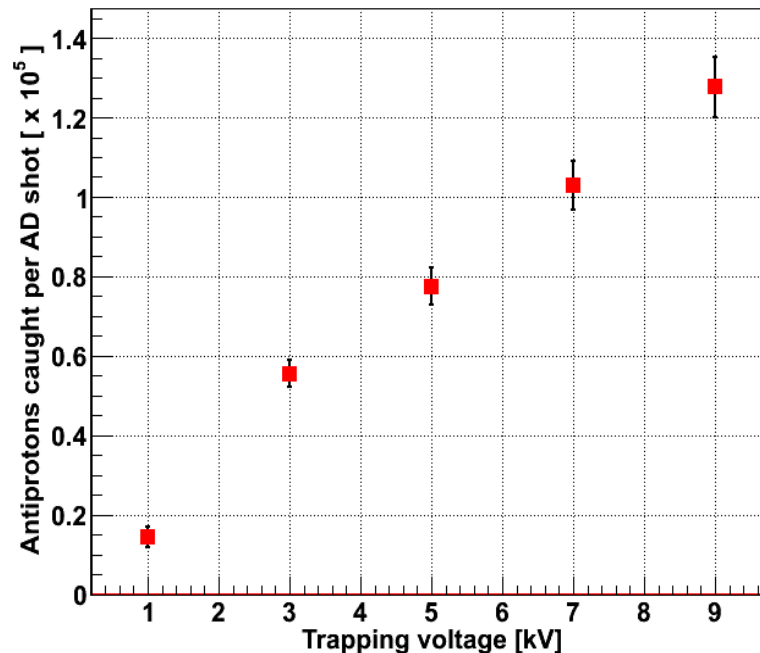


# Antiproton catching in AEGIS: from 5 MeV to 9 KeV

- $3.5 \cdot 10^7$  antiproton/shot
- about 120 ns length
- every 100 sec
- 5 MeV kinetic energy
- $Dp/p = 10^{-4}$
- catch in flight after deceleration through material foils of proper thickness



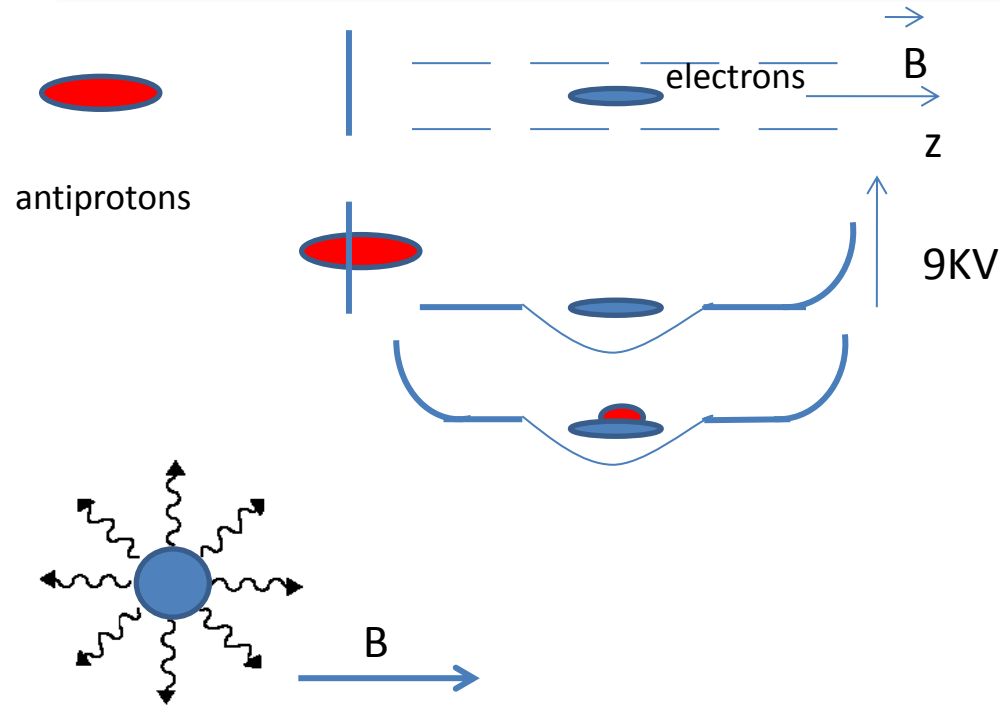
Antiproton catching vs applied high voltage



$$1.3 \cdot 10^5 \bar{p} / \text{shot}$$

Preliminary AEGIS results  
May-Dec2012 antiproton run

# Antiproton cooling in AEGIS: from 9 KeV to about 100 meV (about 100K)



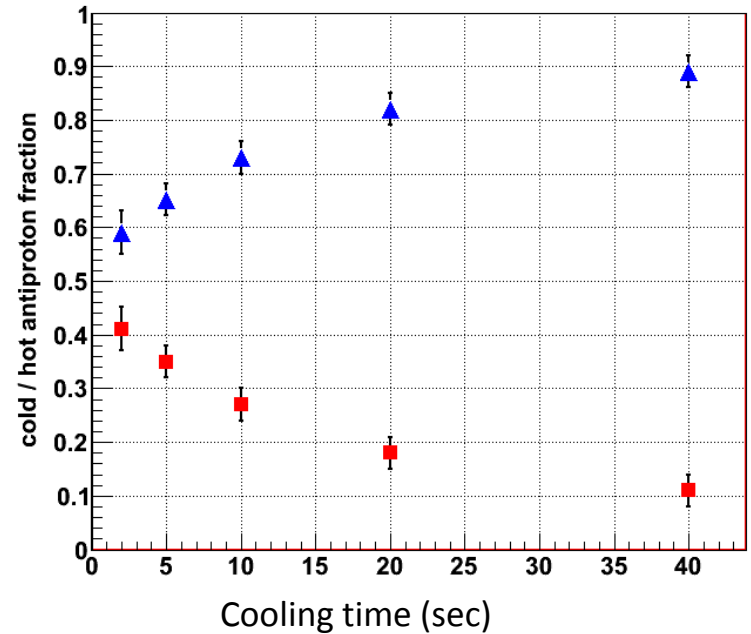
$e^-$  ( and also positrons)  
Radiation in high magnetic field (cyclotron cooling)

$$T = T_{iniz} e^{-t/\tau_{rad}} + T_{trap}$$

$$\tau_{rad} \propto \frac{m^3}{B^2}$$

$e^-, e^+$	$\tau_{rad} \cong 0.1 \text{ sec@ } 5T$
$\bar{p}$	$\tau_{rad} \cong 10^9 \text{ sec@ } 5T$

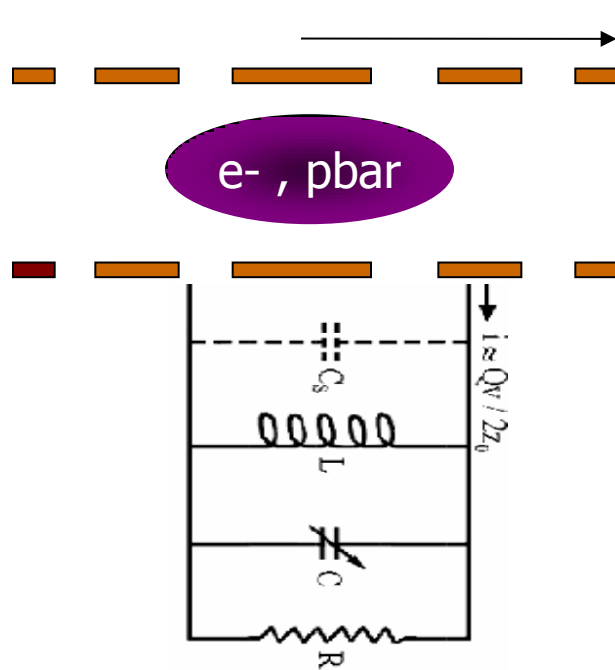
Cold and hot antiproton fractions vs time of cooling



Cyclotron radiation + Coulomb collisions  
= thermal equilibrium for  $e^-$  and  $\bar{p}$

Final energy estimation: about 100 K

## Antiproton ultra-cooling in AEGIS: toward 100 mK



$$T = T_{iniz} e^{-t/\tau_{rad}} + T_{trap}$$



Make the trap colder and colder

Traps in 100 mK region (dilution refrigerator)

e- radial energy: quantum limit 800 mK@ 1 T

400 mK@ 0.5 T

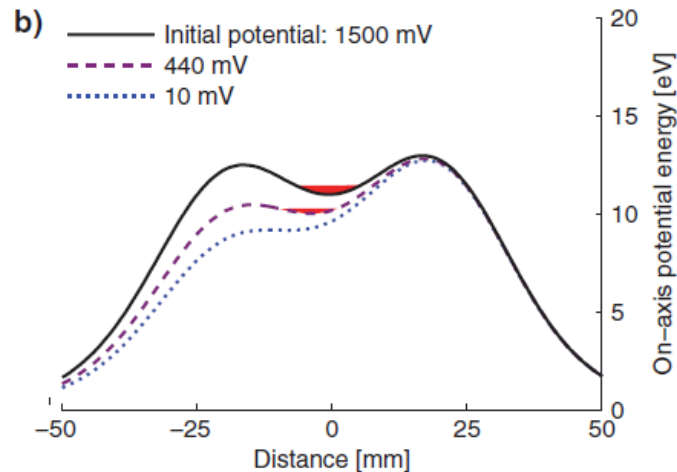
$$n_c + \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega_c$$

### Add an additional cooling mechanism:

- Resonant circuit removing energy from the axial electron motion of the electrons
- The axial temperature of the electron reach 100 mK
- Antiprotons cooled by Coulomb collision
- Tech development: high noise and low power cryo-amplifier
- Plasma physics: energy exchange at low energy in magnetic field
- Plasma equilibrium: radial separation between heavy and light particles

## Antiproton ultra-cooling in AEGIS: toward 100 mK

**Evaporative cooling** of antiprotons:  
recently (2010) demonstrated by ALPHA  
(PRL 105,013003 2010)



Final antiproton temperature: 9 K

Can we get lower temperature?  
What about the radial temperature?

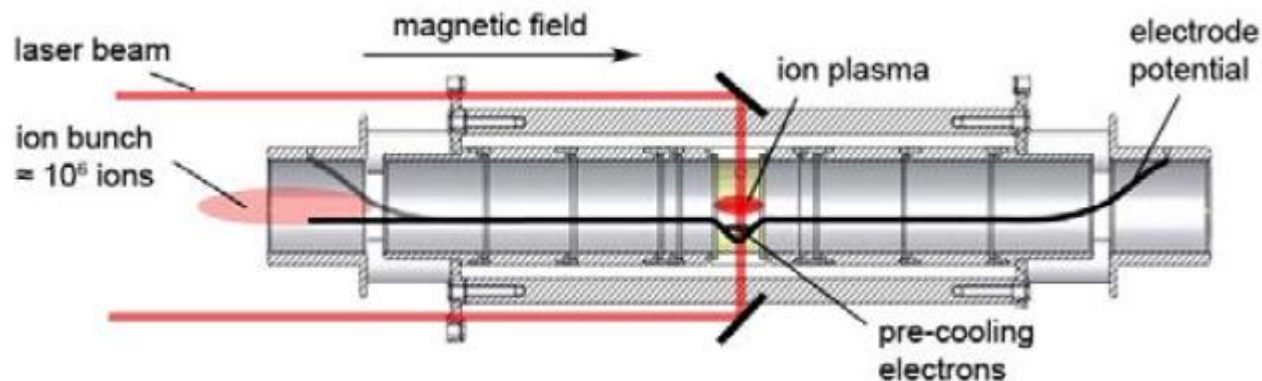
**Adiabatic cooling** of antiprotons (2011)  
With embedded electrons  
demonstrated by ATRAP  
(PRL 106, 073002 2011)

- Final antiproton temperature: 3.5 K
- No losses of antiprotons
- Can we get lower Temperature ?
- What about the radial one

How to measure the charged particles  
temperature in reliable way at  
such low temperature?

## Antiproton ultra-cooling in AEGIS: below 100 mK ??

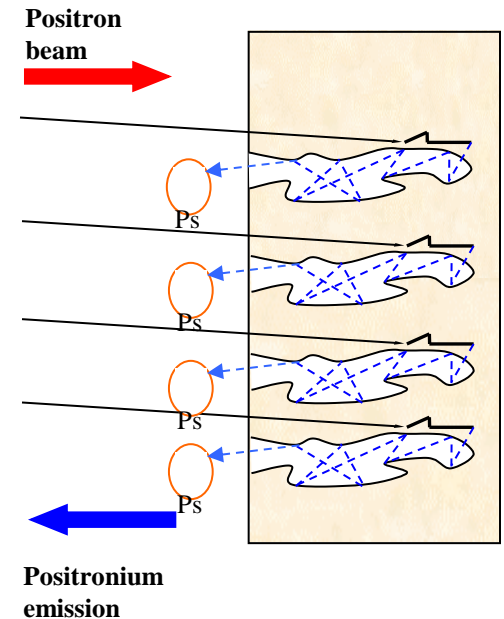
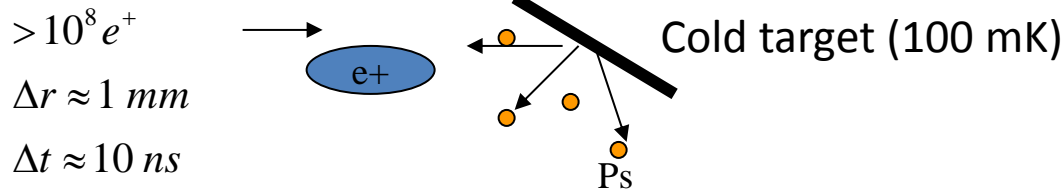
- Load negative ions in the trap
- Load antiprotons together with ions
- Laser cooling of negative ions: final  $T \ll \mu\text{eV}$
- Cooling of antiprotons by collisions with the negative ions



Experiment on laser cooling of  $\text{La}^-$  in progress by members of AEGIS

# Accumulation of $e^+$ and formation of positronium

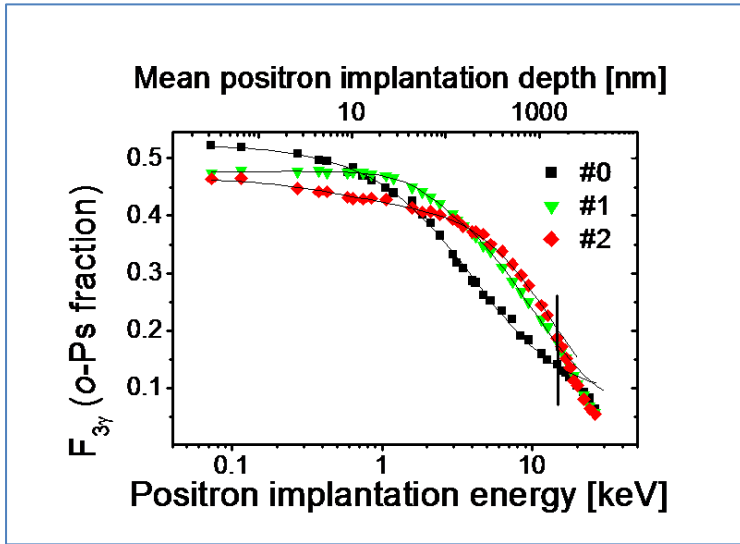
- $^{22}\text{Na}$   $\beta^+$  source
- Accumulation: a known technology
- Transfer into the main magnet and AEGIS trap system
- $10^8$  positrons ready to form Ps



## Ps formation

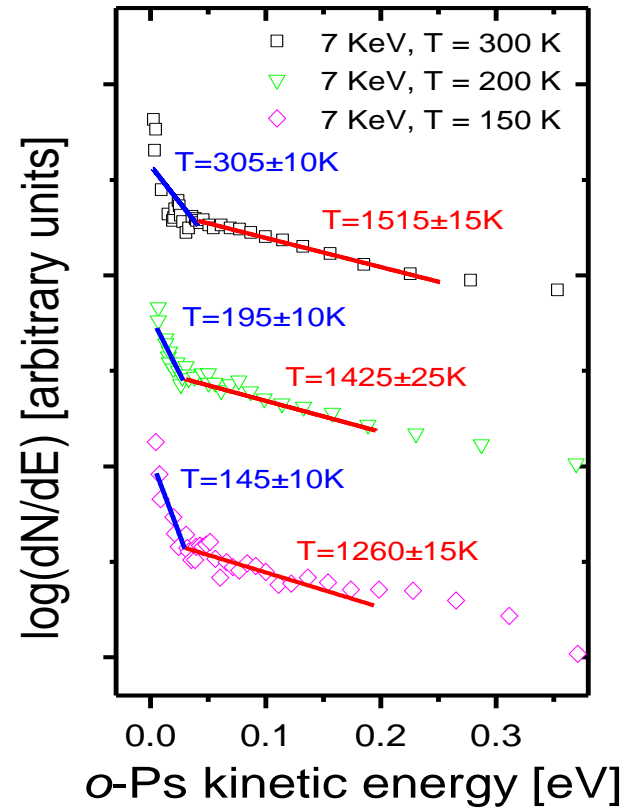
- Ps slowing down by collisions with the pore walls
- “Cold” positronium: we need Ps with about  $v = 10^4 \text{ m/s}$  (0.25 meV)
- Cold positronium: important to maximize the cross section for Hbar production

# Formation of positronium and cooling

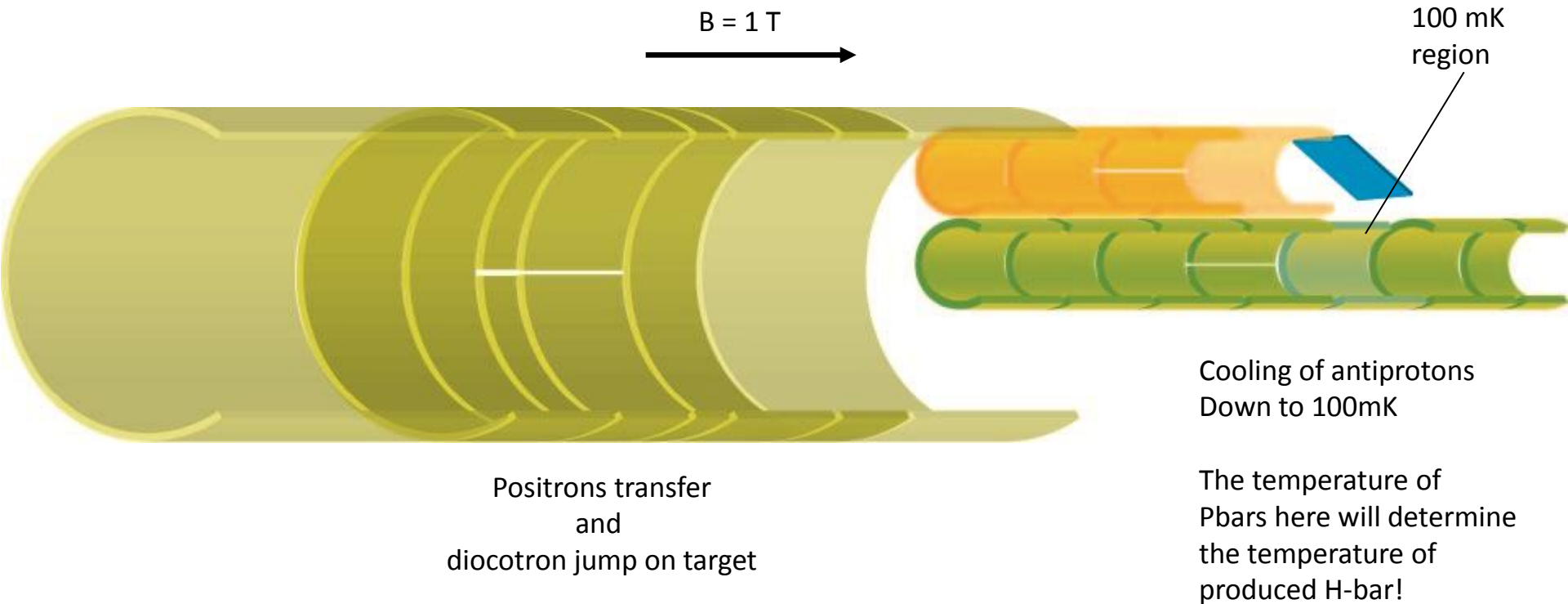


- ORDERED nanochannels  $\text{SiO}_2$  on Si substrate
- Nanochannel size 5-8 nm

at 7 keV 27 % of implanted positrons escape into the vacuum as o-Ps



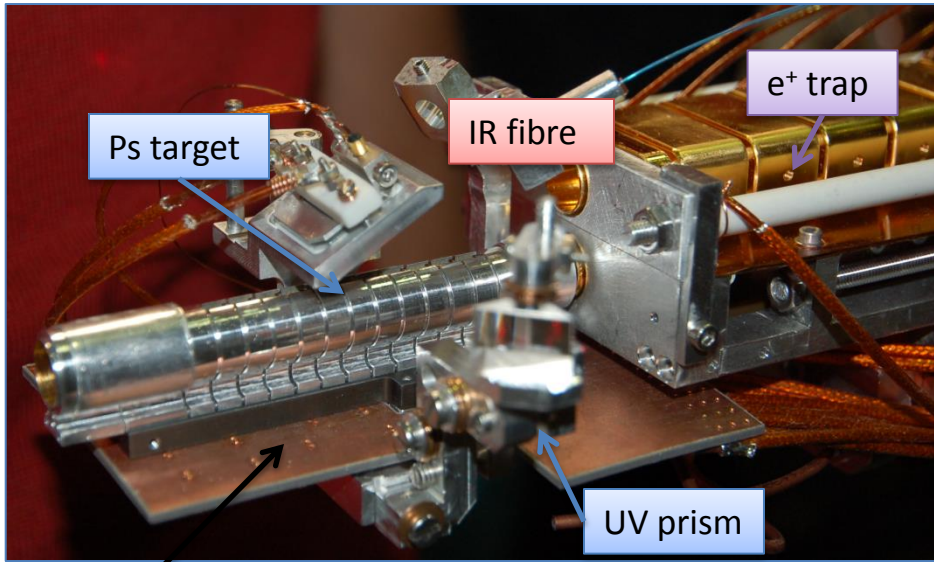
# Positronium production in AEgIS



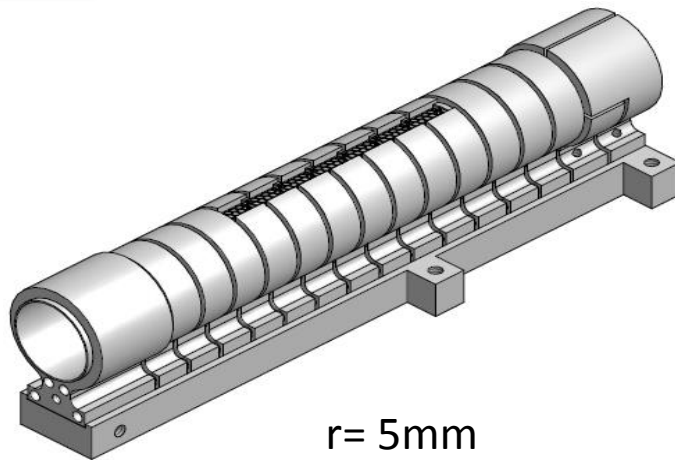
Movement of the  $e^+$  cloud off axis across the magnetic field: excitation of a plasma mode



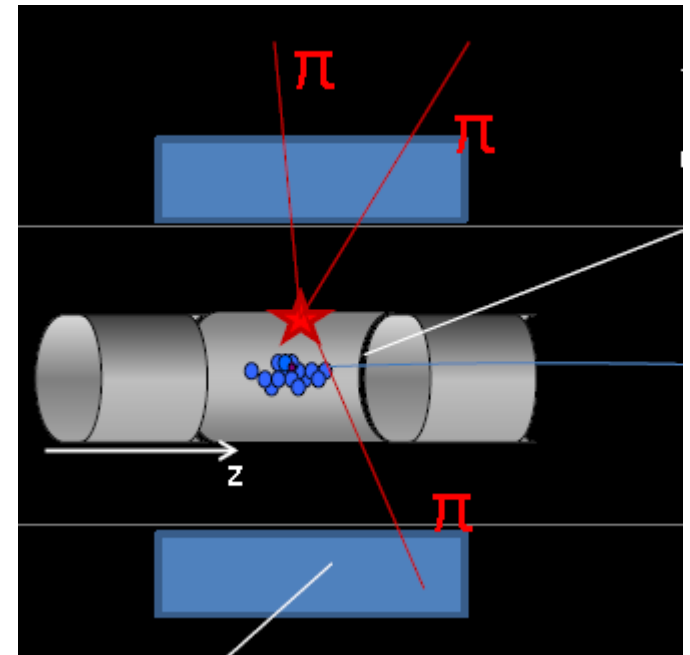
# The antihydrogen formation region mounted at CERN (4 K cryostat)



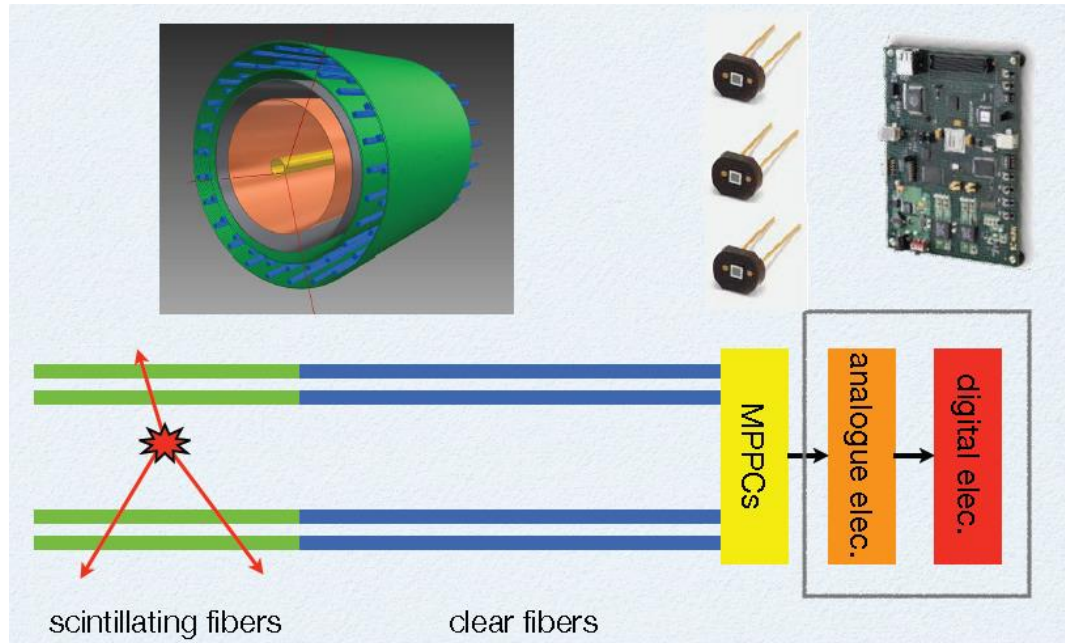
$\bar{H}$  prod. trap



Antihydrogen detector  
around the formation region  
Scintillating fibers  
The best method to measure the  
antiproton temperature!! (TOF)

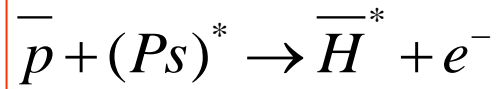


# AntiHydrogen detector



- Detect beam formation (z resolution 2.5 mm from simulation)
- **Measure Hbar energy** (time resolution)
- Work @4 K : vacuum vessel separated from the UHV
- Around the Hbar formation trap
- Two double layers of scintillating fibers read by da Hamamatsu MultiPixel Si PMT
- 800 fibers, detector length 20 cm
- Read with Fast FPGA

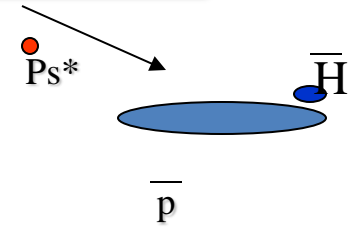
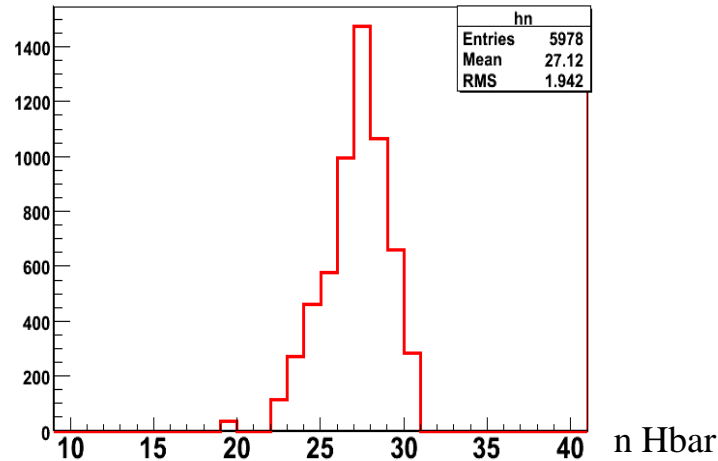
# Charge exchange



cross section  $\sigma \propto n_{Ps}^4$

$$\sigma \approx 10^{-8} - 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^2$$

n state of antiH (n (Ps\*)=20)



Rydberg (anti)hydrogen is accelerated or decelerated by electric field gradients

Experimentally demonstrated with hydrogen by members of AEGIS

Energy level in presence of electric field  $F$

$$Force = -\frac{3}{2} nk \vec{\nabla} F$$

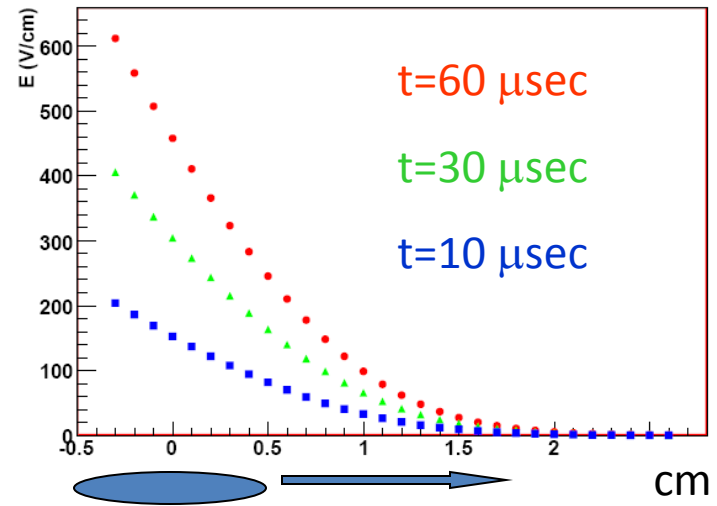
$$E = -\frac{1}{2n^2} + \frac{3}{2} nkF$$

$n, k$ : quantum number

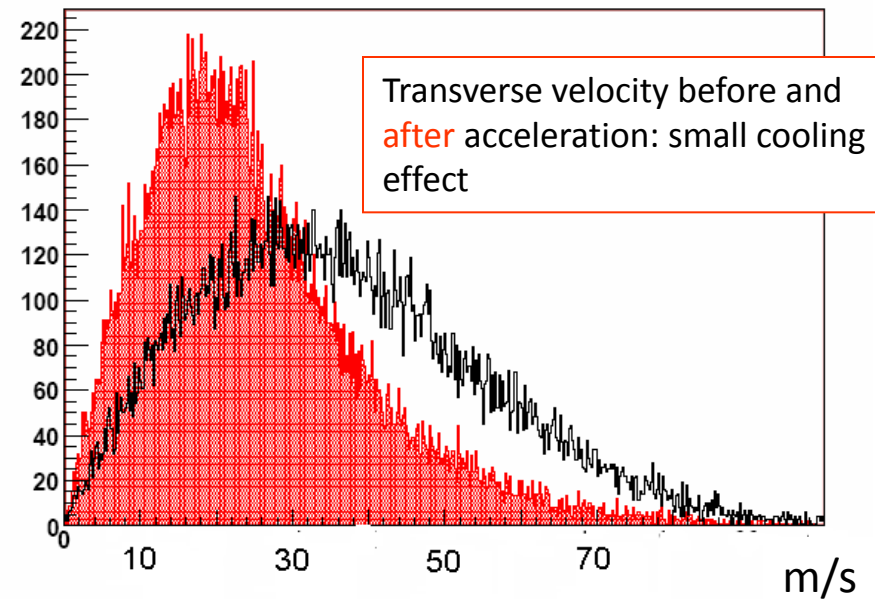
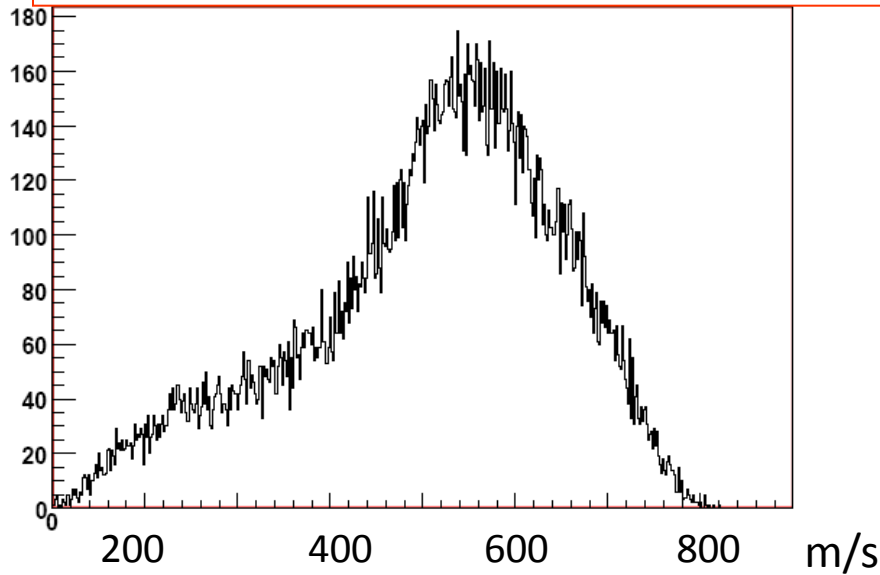
# Making the beam

- Trap voltages fast switched from Penning trap to “Rydberg accelerator”
- Voltages of few 100 V applied to trap sectors
- Electric field with space and time gradient
- Duration: 70-80  $\mu\text{sec}$

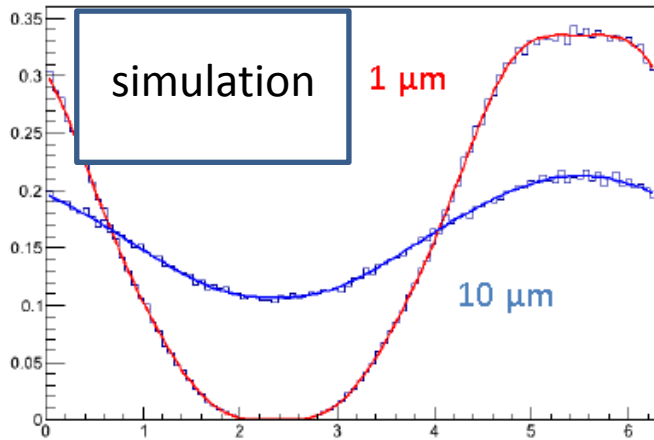
Electric field modulus on trap axis



Simulated antihydrogen horizontal velocity  
 $n(\text{Ps}^*) = 20$



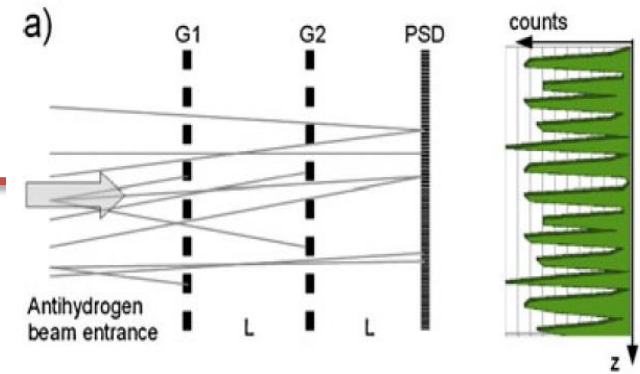
# Position sensitive detector after the two gratings



Example of simulated distribution  
of the reconstructed  $p\bar{p}$  annihilation points

Counts folded in one grating period

Resolution of the detector included

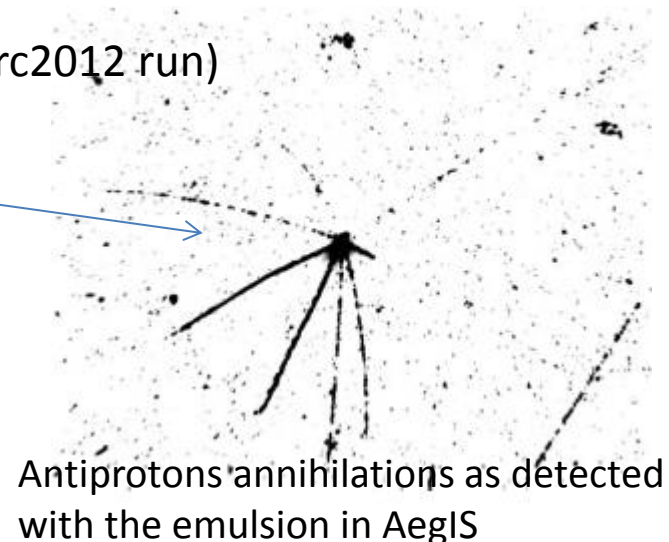


- New developments and tests with antiprotons (May-Dec 2012 run)

- Emulsion : 1  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution seems possible

- A factor 4 gain compared with the original proposal

- !!!!!!! 1% measurement with 500 Hbar detected !!!!!

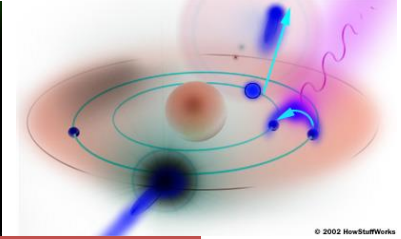
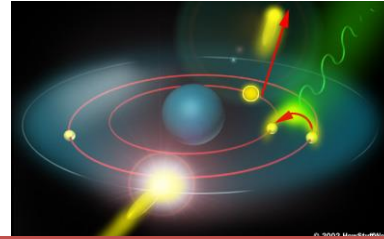


## Summary

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- AEGIS is installed at CERN
- First run with antiprotons in 2012
- Large area grating development and tests with Argon by collaborators in Heidelberg
- Many experimental challenges
- Exciting developments in progress
- No antiprotons in 2013 (CERN shutdown)
- Work with  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$  (and protons)
- First results about gravity expected in few years from now
  
- A cold antihydrogen beam will allow spectroscopy too!!

# CPT and Hbar spectroscopy



1S-2S in hydrogen

..... $\Delta\nu/\nu < 10^{-15}$   
Natural width

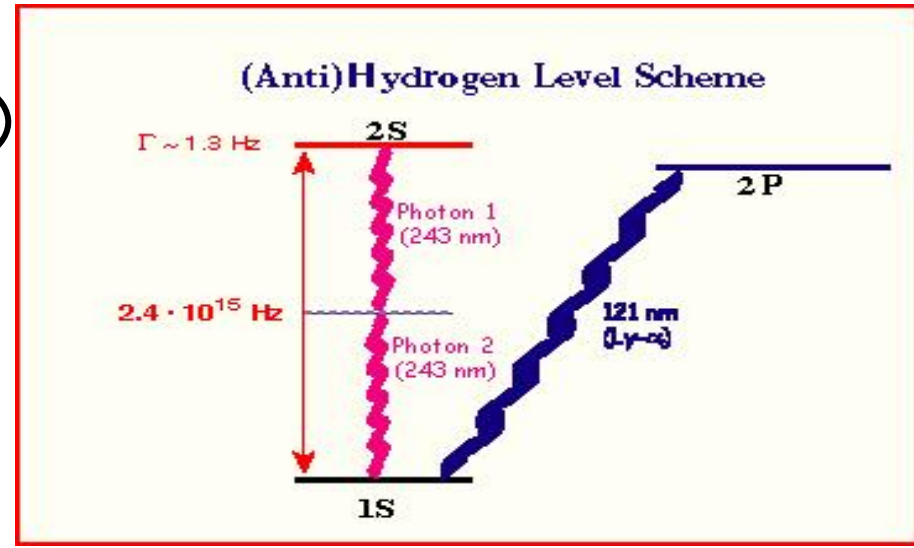
2 466 061 413 187 103 (46) Hz

$$\Delta\nu/\nu = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-14}$$

Cold beam  $E \approx 100 \text{ mK}$

[M. Niering et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 84 (2000) 5496]

Measure 1S-2S of H and antiH in two period of the year: the gravitation field change by  $\Delta U$



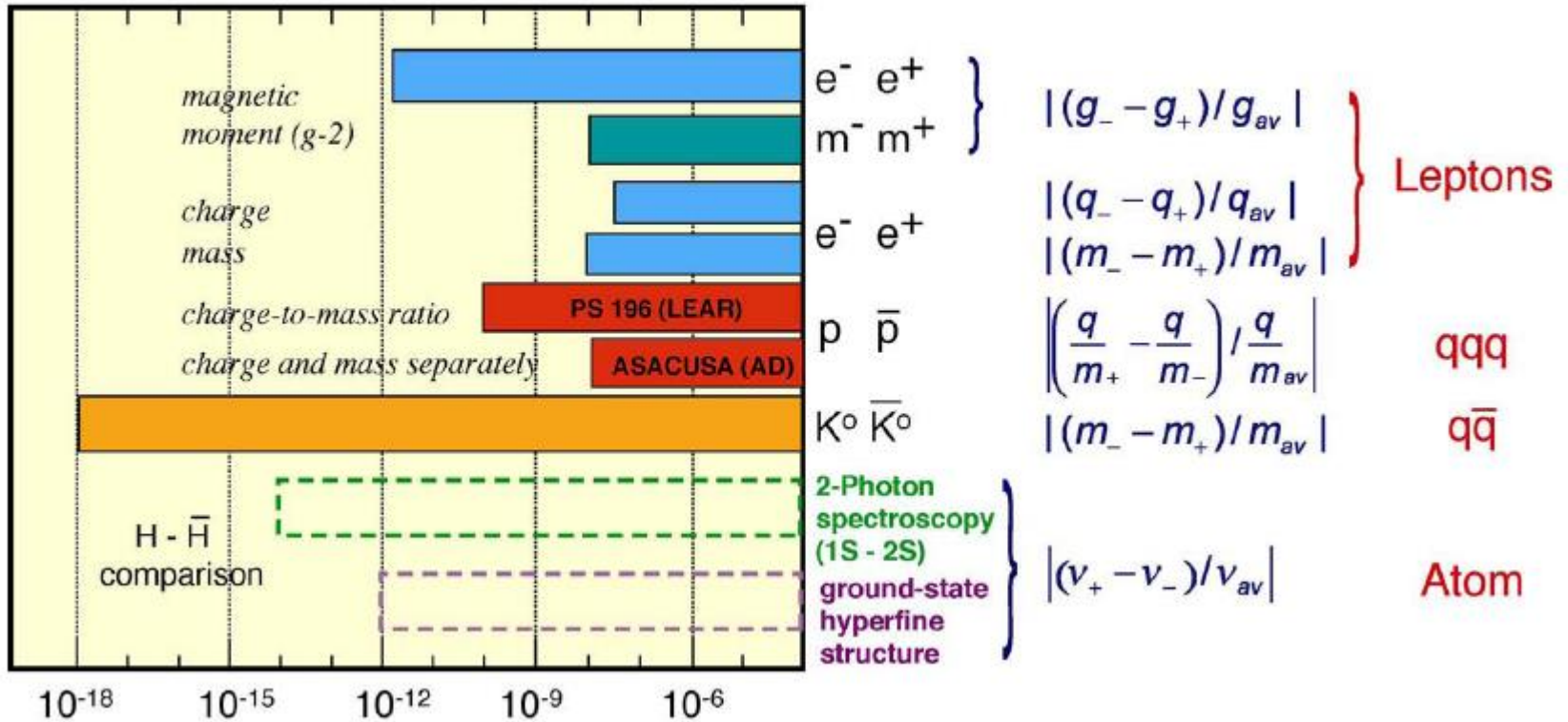
WEP  $\rightarrow \Delta\omega = \frac{\Delta U}{c^2}$

Null red shift experiment" : CPT independent

$$\frac{\Delta\omega_{1S-2S}^H - \Delta\omega_{1S-2S}^{\bar{H}}}{\Delta\omega_{1S-2S}^H} \approx 10^{-15} \Rightarrow (\alpha_{\bar{H}} - 1) \approx 10^{-6}$$

# CPT tests

Precision of some CPT Tests





## Cold non neutral plasma at $T=0$ are not at rest

What is limiting the antihydrogen minimal temperature?

- Antiproton temperature before recombination
- Antiproton recoil
- It is difficult to get antihydrogen temperature below some 10 mK
  
- Future developments: cool the antihydrogen beam (laser cooling....)

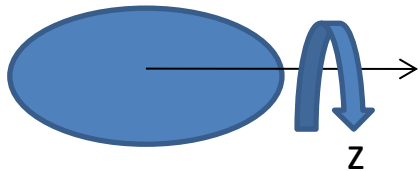
Debye Length  $\ll$  plasma size

Uniform density and sharp boundary

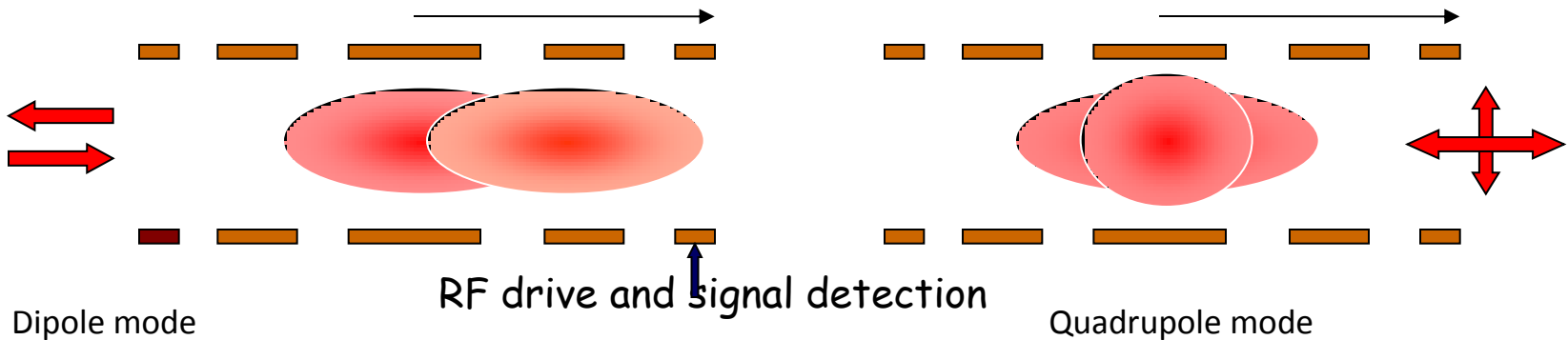
Space charge electric fields compensate trap field in the axial direction (free particles!)

Rigid body rotation : LIMIT THE MINIMUM TEMPERATURE to 100 mK

Radial temperature is defined in this rotating frame

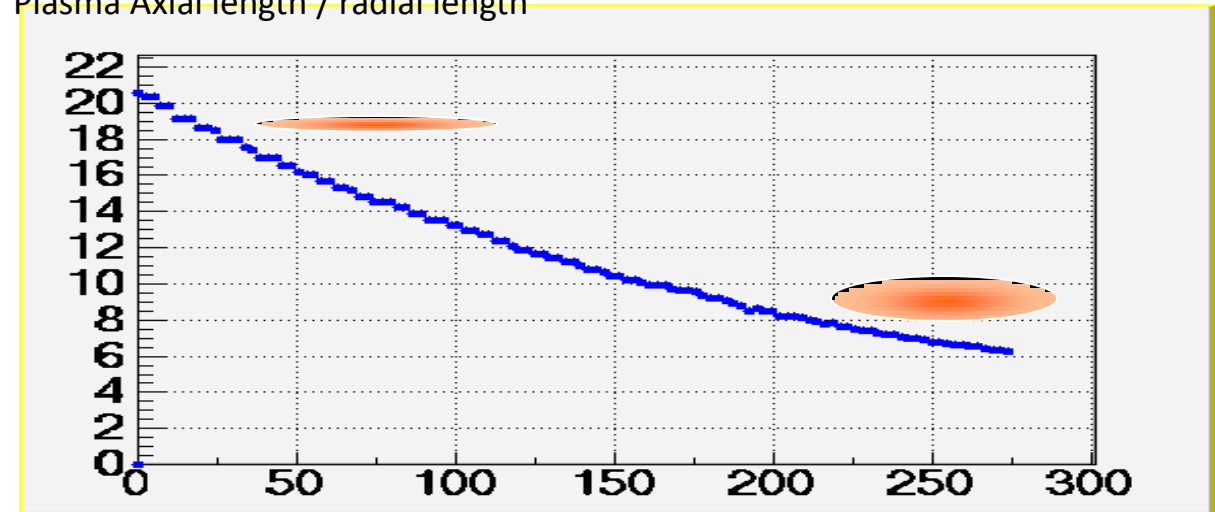


# Plasmi freddi completamente carichi confinati



e-, e+  
 $n=10^8 - 10^9/\text{cm}^3$

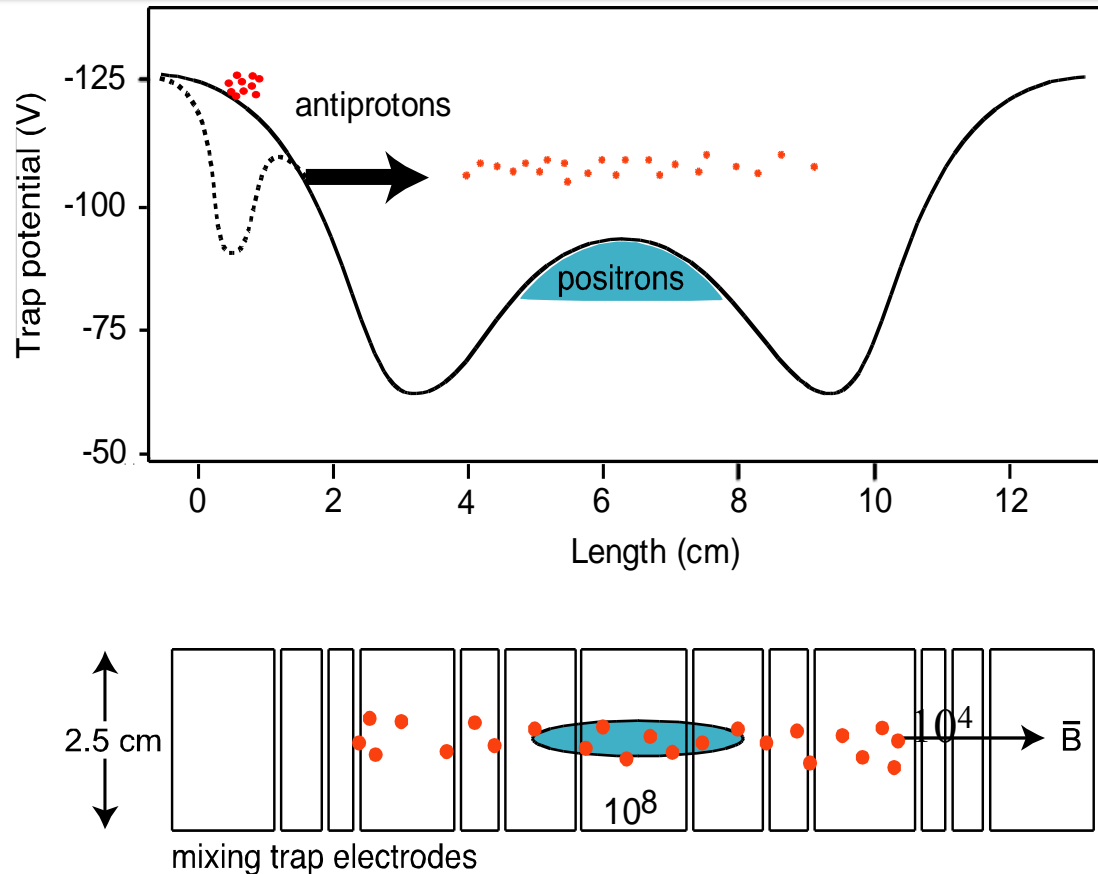
Plasma Axial length / radial length



time sec

Misura non distruttiva della forma e della densita' del plasma attraverso la rivelazione dei modi di plasma

# Mixing di positroni e antiprotoni in trappole nested



- Competizione tra cooling di antiprotoni su positroni e ricombinazione
- Energia dell'antidrogeno prodotto: dipende da energia antiprotone
- Se la ricombinazione e' dominata dal processo a 3 corpi puo' avvenire prima che gli antiprotoni siano termalizzati

# Processi di ricombinazione

Ricombinazione radiativa



Ricombinazione a 3 corpi



$$\frac{dN_{H\bar{p}}}{dt} = N_{p\bar{p}} \Gamma_{rad/3bodies}$$

$$\Gamma_{rad} (s^{-1}) = 3 \cdot 10^{-11} \sqrt{\frac{4.2}{T_{eff} (K)}} n_{e^+} (cm^{-3})$$

$$\Gamma_{3bodies} (s^{-1}) = 6 \cdot 10^{-12} \left( \frac{4.2}{T_{eff} (K)} \right)^{9/2} \left( n_{e^+} (cm^{-3}) \right)^2$$

Antiprotoni e positroni in equilibrio termico  $T = T_{eff}$

Altrimenti  $T_{eff} \propto \left( v_{antiprotoni} - v_{positrone} \right)^2$

# Confinamento di antidrogeno

B disomogeneo

Con un minimo non nullo  $B_{\min}$

$$U = \pm \mu (B - B_{\min}) \quad \mu = 670 \text{ mK} / T$$

$$F = \mp \mu \vec{\nabla} B$$

$$B - B_{\min} \approx 1 T$$

$$\Delta r \approx 1 \text{ cm}$$

1) Anti-idrogeno viene prodotto nella trappola magnetica in cui sara' confinato  
Deve essere prodotto freddo

1) Regione di produzione e di confinamento sono spazialmente separate  
Formazione di un fascio freddo

Nessuna evidenza di confinamento di anti-idrogeno

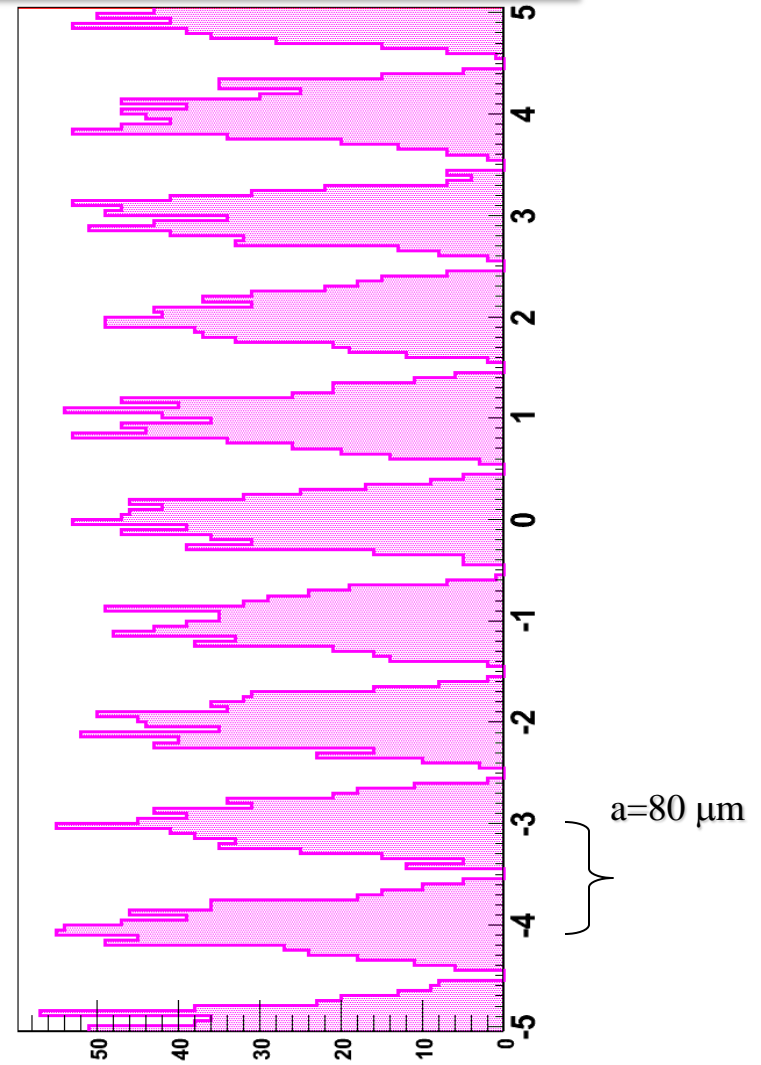
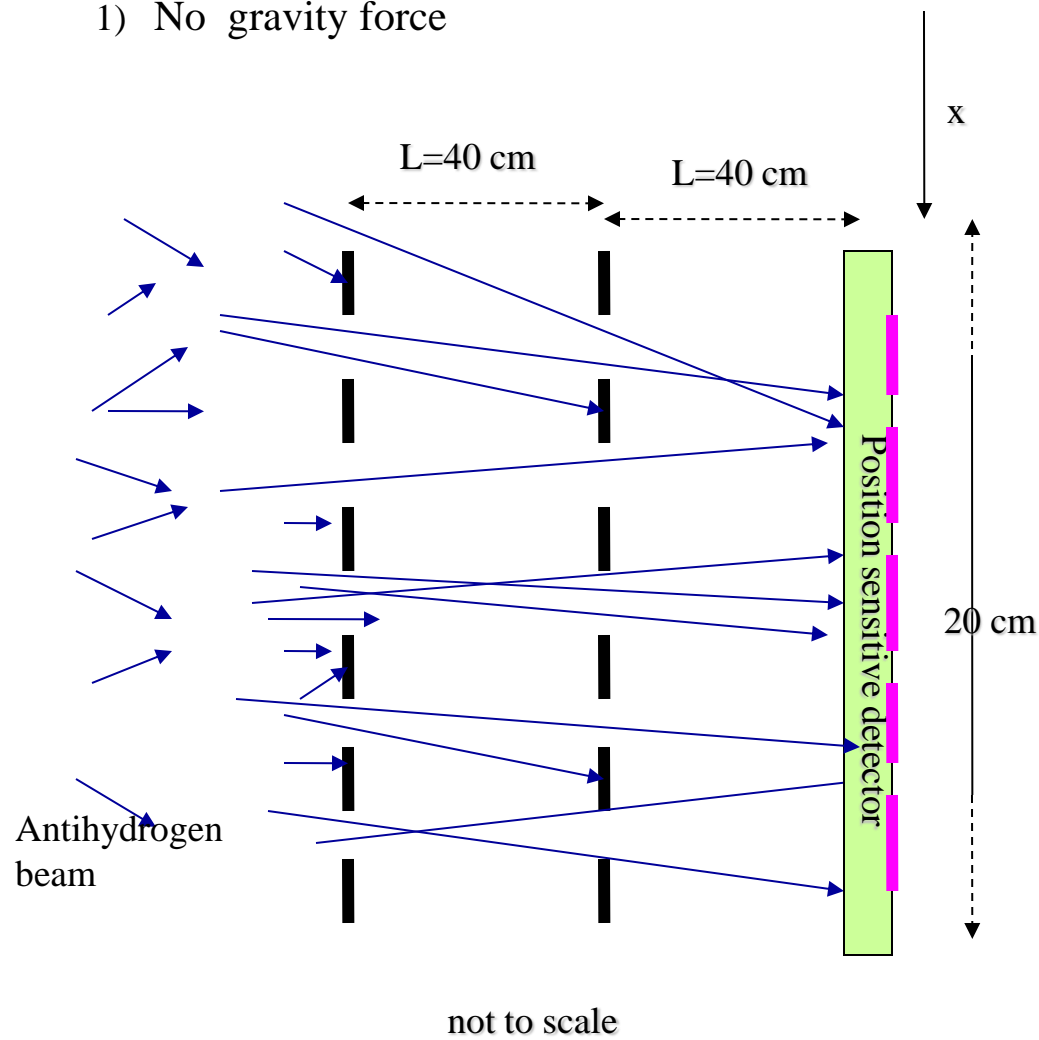
L'opzione 1) e' quella in fase di studio da ATRAP e ALPHA dal 2006

L'opzione 2) e' quella di AEgIS

# La misura di gravita': deflettometro di Moire'

x/a

1) No gravity force



# Indirect limits on EEP validity for antimatter systems

## “Red shift type” argument”

R. J. Hughes et al., PRL 66,7 (1991)

Cyclotron frequency of p and pbar in the same magnetic field

$$\left| \frac{\omega_c - \bar{\omega}_c}{\omega_c} \right| < 9 \cdot 10^{-11}$$

G. Gabrielse et al PRL 82 (3198) (1999)



If matter and antimatter are coupled to the same tensor field  
For anomalous interaction coupling to antimatter with  
 $R_{\text{Earth}} < \text{range} < \text{Distance Earth-Sun}$

$$\alpha_{pp}^- < 3 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

$$\alpha_{pp}^- < 10^{-1}$$

- The limit is model dependent
- Exact CPT is assumed

## SN1987A

$$\alpha_{\nu\nu^-} < 10^{-5} - 10^{-6}$$

Neutrino-antineutrino arrival time difference

- Only one  $\nu_e$  detected, several caveats
- Model dependent

S. Pakvasa et al., Phys. Rev. D 39 (1989) 176

## The “Schiff argument”

S.I. Schiff PRL 1 254 (1958)

Virtual  $e^+ e^-$  pairs in the atoms

WEP violation for  $e^+$   $m_I - m_G$  should depend on Z

$$\alpha_{e^+e^-} < 10^{-6}$$

- Several criticisms
- Uncorrected renormalization procedure...

M. Nieto et al Phys. Rep. 205 (5) 221 (1991)

M. Charlton et al Phys. Rep 241 65 (1994)

R. Hughes Hyp. Int.76 3 (1996)

## $K_0 \bar{K}_0$

CPLEAR coll. Phys. Lett. B 452 (1999) 425

Very stringent limits

$$\alpha_{K_0 \bar{K}_0} < 10^{-9} - 10^{-14}$$

Depending on the range of the anomalous interaction

## WEP and antihydrogen

...accepting all the previous hypothesis (gravitational shift of clock and anticlock frequency)

$$\frac{\omega_{1S-2S}^H - \omega_{1S-2S}^{\bar{H}}}{\omega_{1S-2S}^H} \cong 10^{-15} \Rightarrow (\alpha_{\bar{H}} - 1) \cong 10^{-11}$$



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Direct measurements : time of flight

atom interferometry  $10^{-6}, 10^{-9}, 10^{-?}$



# $K_0 - \overline{K_0}$ and the equivalence principle

- Anomalous (Yukawa) vector, scalar or tensorial interactions produced by astronomical sources can couple to  $K_0$  and  $\overline{K_0}$  with different strength

- They produce an apparent mass variation and not zero  $g_{K_0} - g_{\overline{K_0}}$ .

- The source distance change with time

$$K_0 - \overline{K_0}$$

- Limits on the range of the anomalous force from time variation of the measured parameters

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