

TOWARDS THE MEASUREMENT OF THE HYPERFINE STRUCTURE OF ANTIHYDROGEN AT CERN



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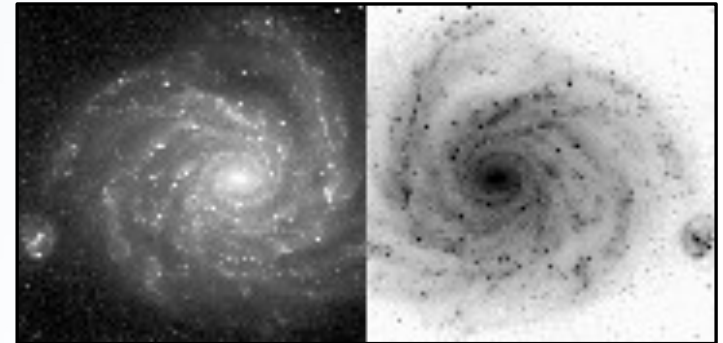


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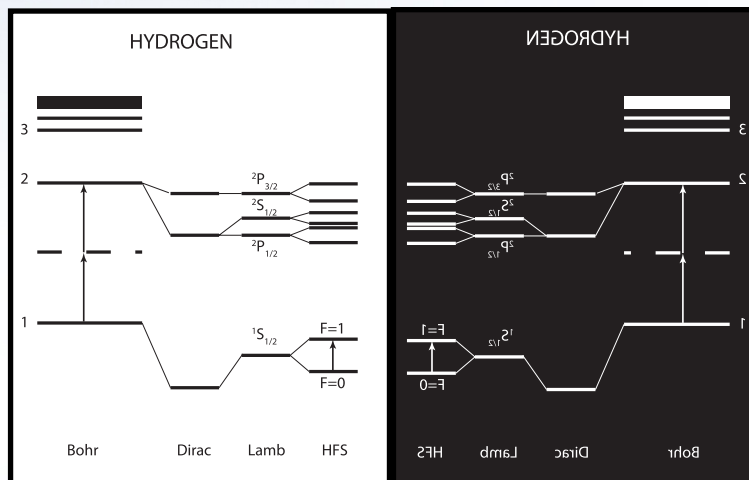
MOTIVATIONS

No observation of antimatter universe:
asymmetry at the cosmological scale

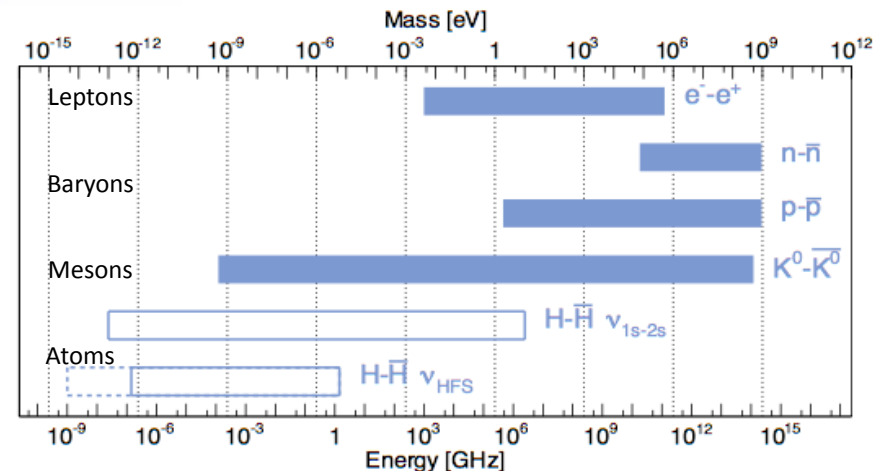


CPT Theorem

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



High absolute precision (potential high sensitivity: Standard Model Extension)



GROUND STATE HYPERFINE SPLITTING

$$\nu = 1.420405751768(1) \text{ GHz}$$

S. G. Karshenboim, Precision Physics of Simple Atomic Systems,
pages 142–162, Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg, 2003, hep-ph/0305205.

Leading term: **Fermi contact term**

has been measured to 5ppm

DiSciaccia et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 13 (2013)

$$\nu_F = \frac{16}{3} \left(\frac{M_p}{M_p + m_e} \right)^3 \frac{m_e}{M_p} \frac{\mu_p}{\mu_N} \alpha^2 c R_y$$

Finite electric and magnetic radius (**Zemach corrections**): ~-41ppm

access to the electric and magnetic form factors of the antiproton

$$\Delta\nu(\text{Zemach}) = \nu_F \frac{2Z\alpha m_e}{\pi^2} \int \frac{d^3p}{p^4} \left[\frac{G_E(p^2)G_M(p^2)}{1 + \kappa} - 1 \right]$$

e.g Friar et al. Phys.Lett. B579 (2004)

Polarizability of p(bar) = 1.88±0.64 ppm

Carlson, Nazaryan, and Griffioen PRA 78, 022517 (2008)

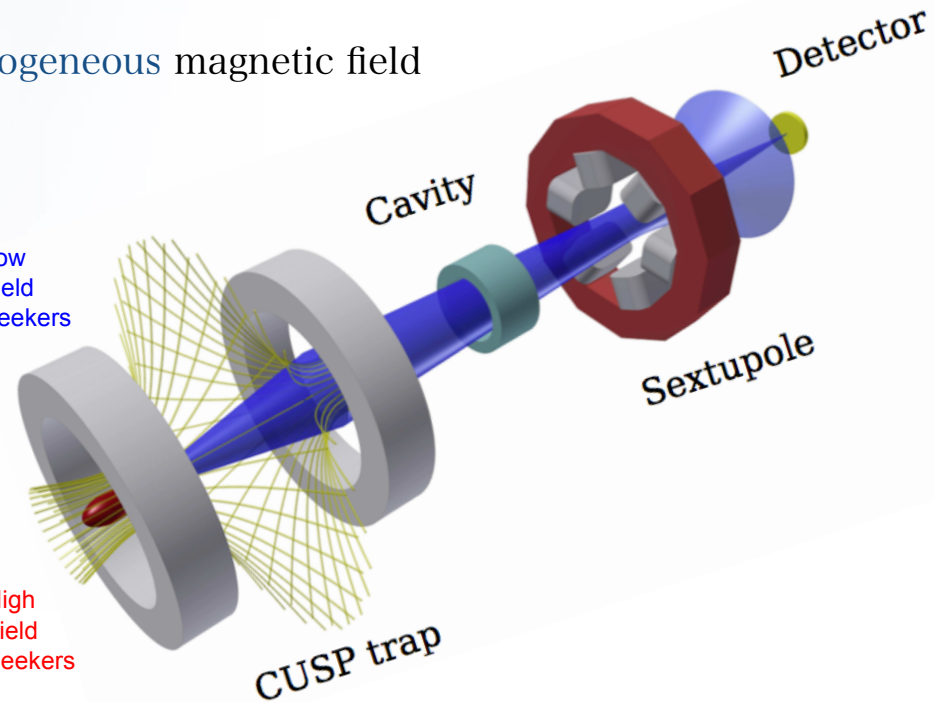
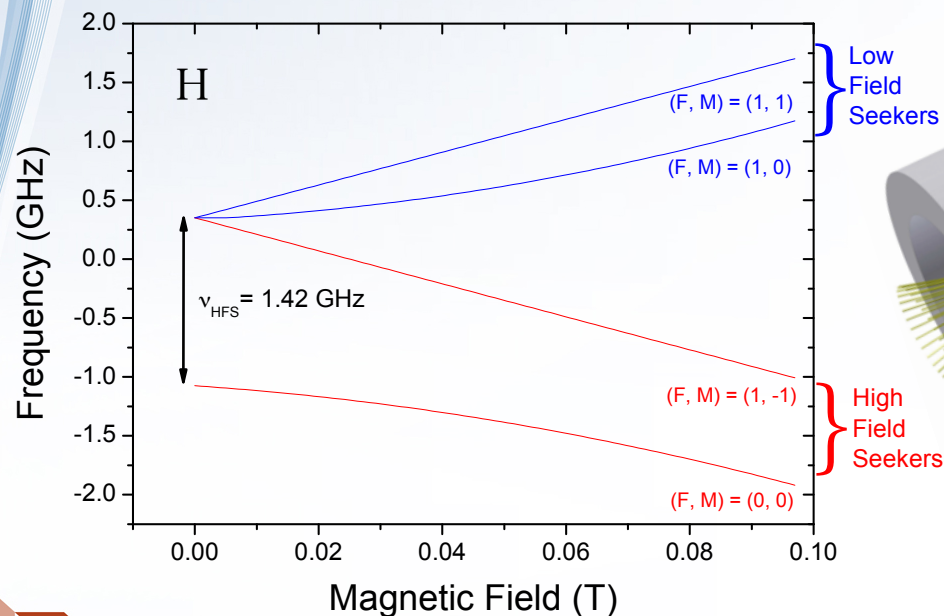
Remaining deviation theory-experiment: **0.86±0.78 ppm**

MEASUREMENT PRINCIPLE

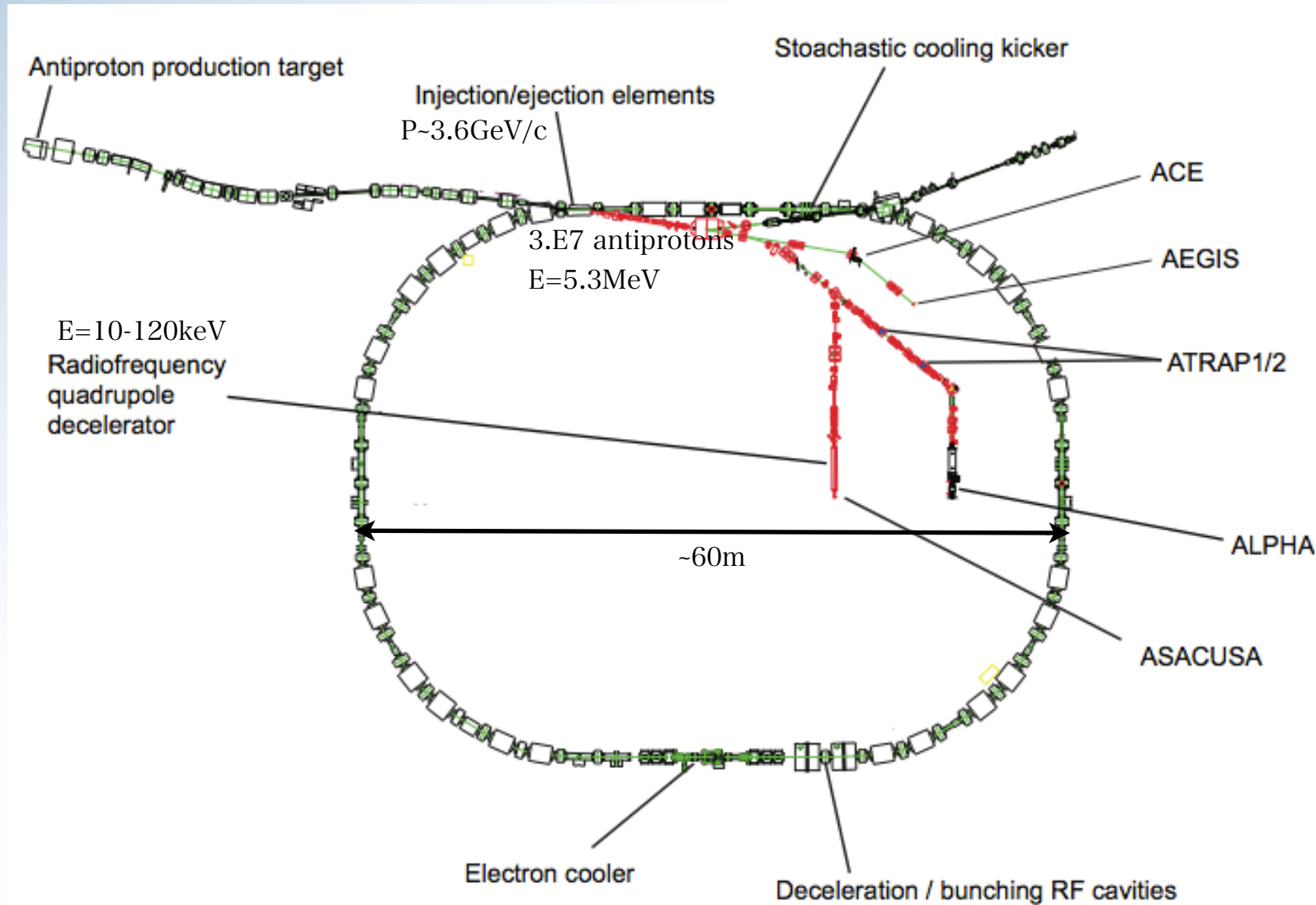
Spectroscopy with trapped antihydrogen: lower precision due to strong confining field

Good candidate: atomic beam with RF resonance

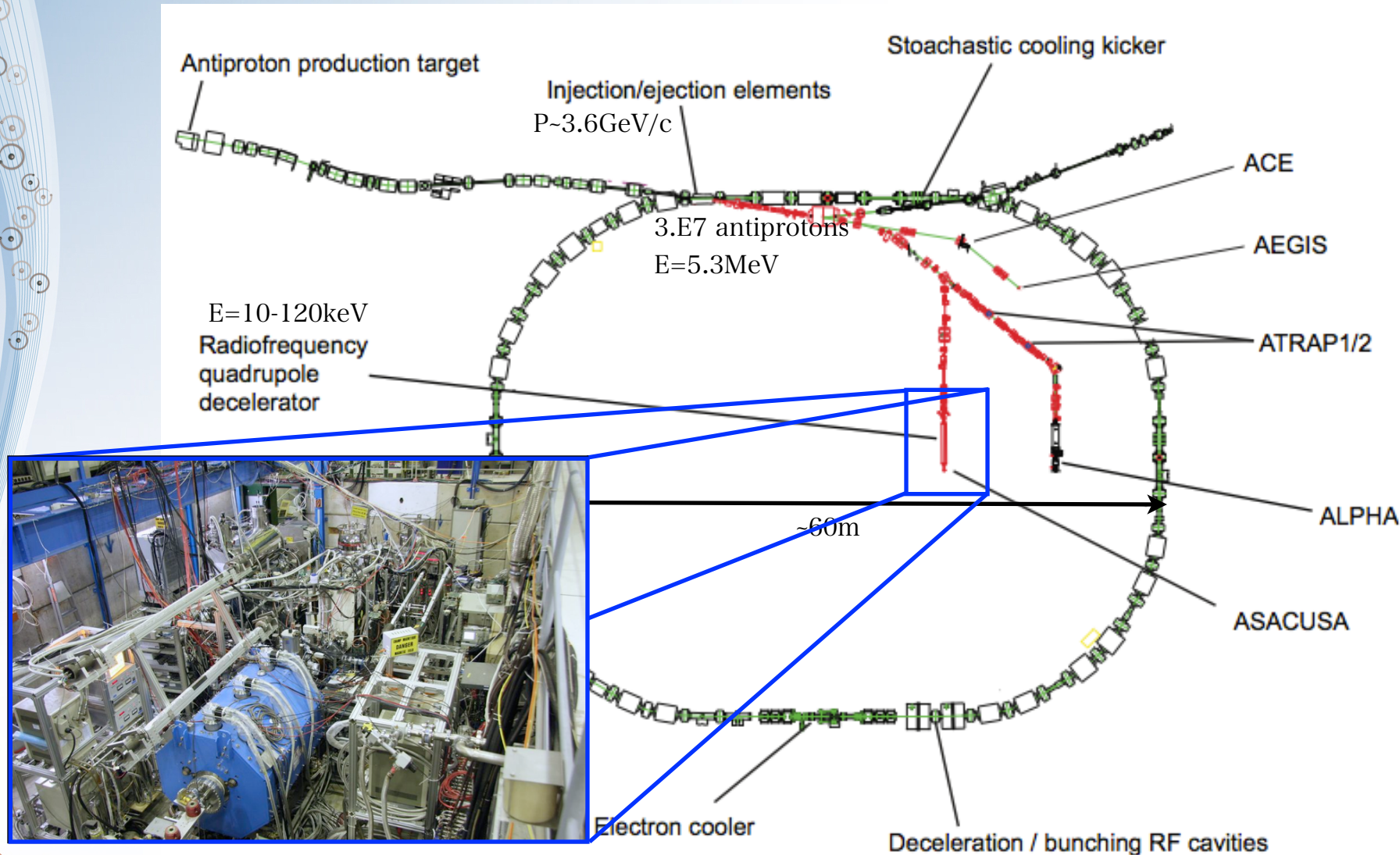
- 1) no $\bar{\text{H}}$ trapping needed $\rightarrow$ no need for ultra-cold (< 1 K) $\bar{\text{H}}$
- 2) atomic beam method can work up to 50-100 K
- 3) $\bar{\text{H}}$ atoms can be guided with inhomogeneous magnetic field



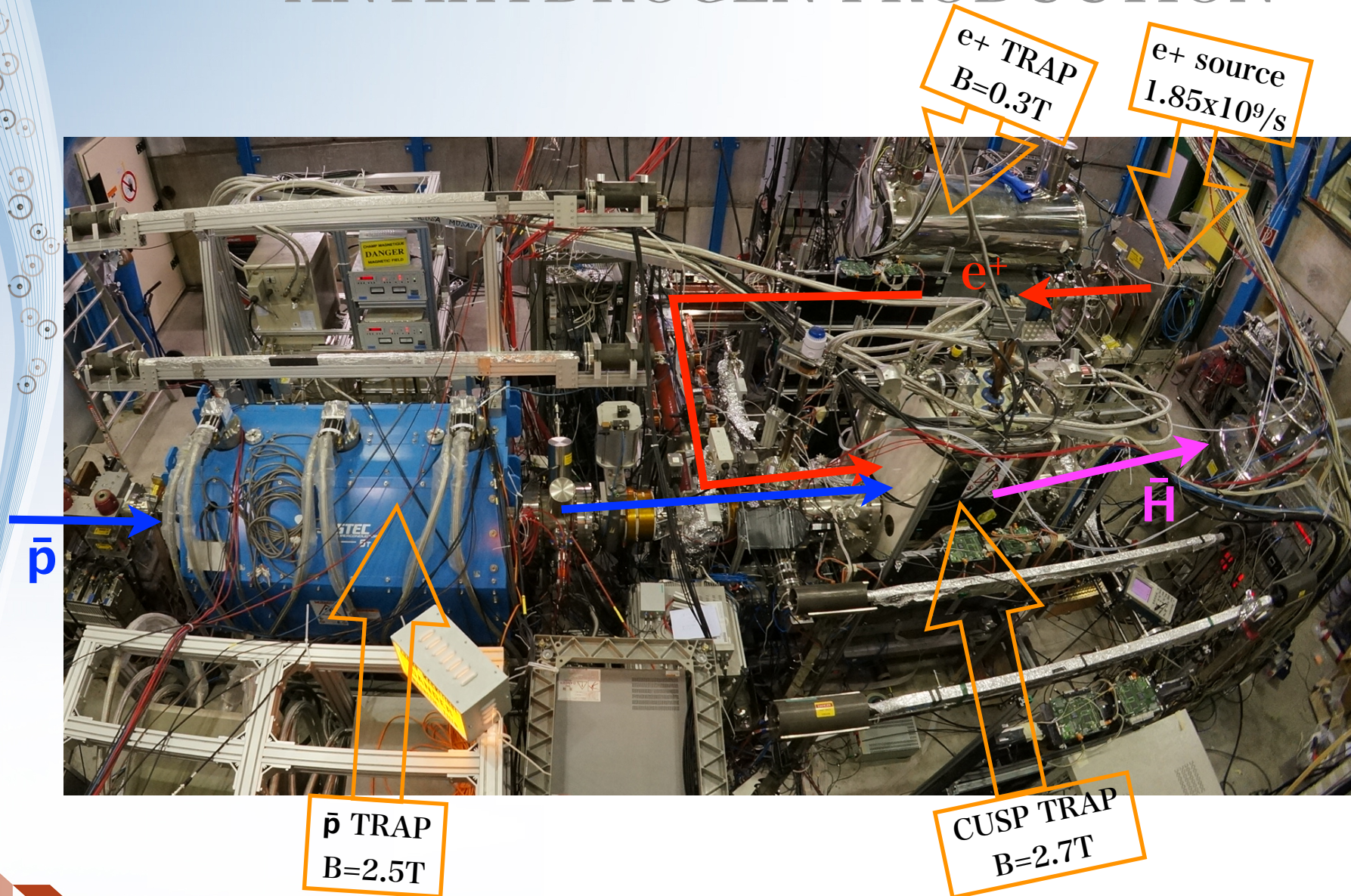
CERN'S ANTIPROTON DECELERATOR



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ANTIHYDROGEN PRODUCTION



ANTIHYDROGEN PROPERTIES

Ultra-low temperature antihydrogen are not necessary for a beam experiments (unlike trap experiments).

BUT cold antihydrogen is better for:

- 1) **Polarisation intensity**
- 2) **Cascading time: lower n state**
- 3) **Interaction time** with the microwave field in the cavity



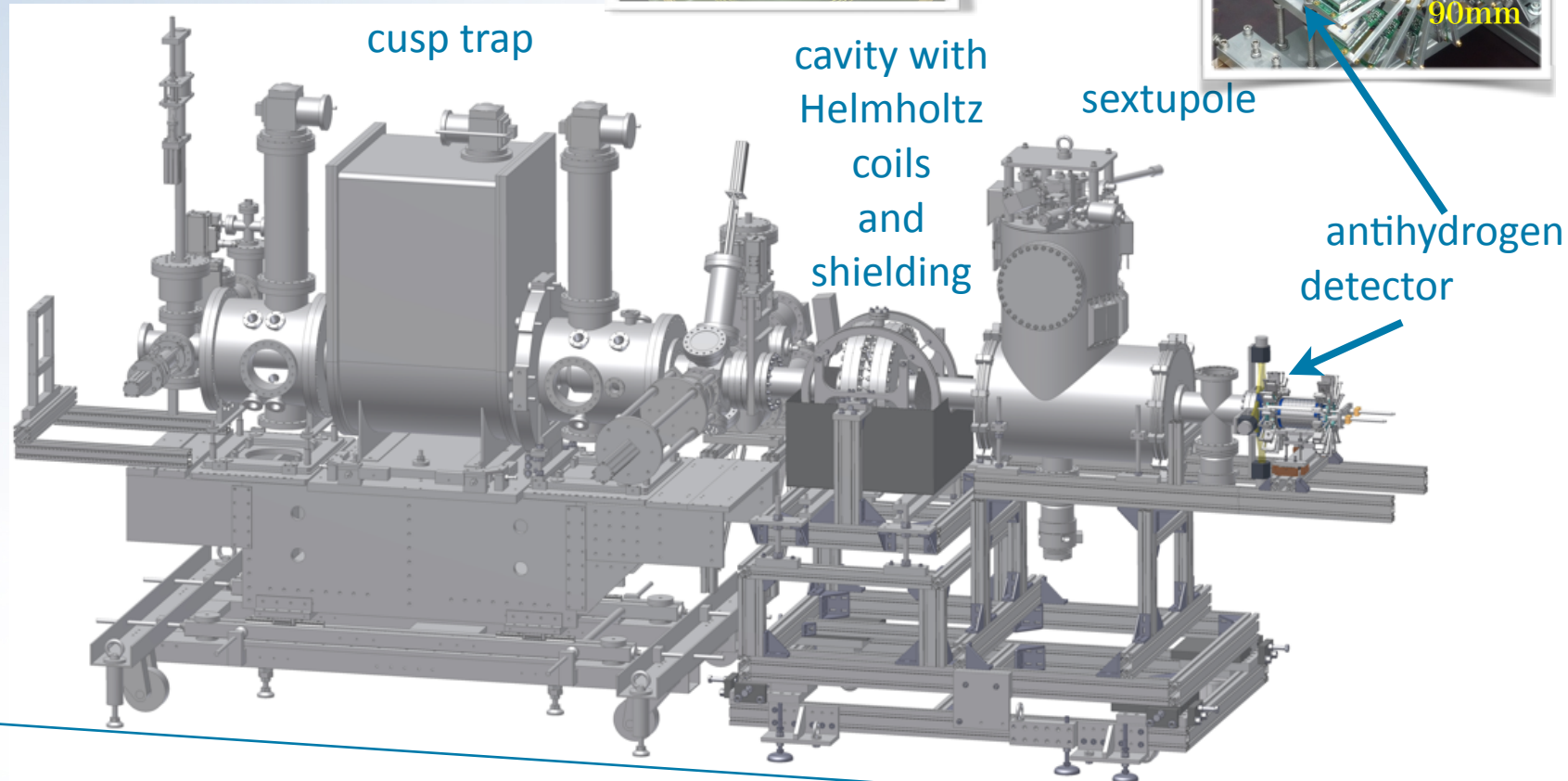
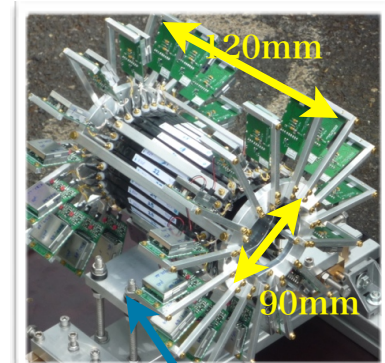
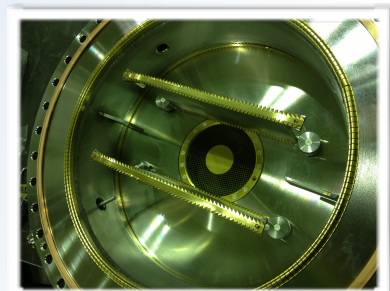
**SIMULATION
WITH GEANT 4**

Behaviour of antiproton and positron plasmas simulated using **SIMBUCA**

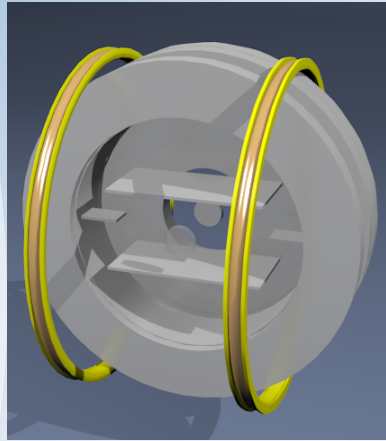
Formation of antihydrogen simulated CTMC

Pipeline between these simulations and Geant4

THE SPECTROMETER LINE (2012)



THE MICROWAVE CAVITY



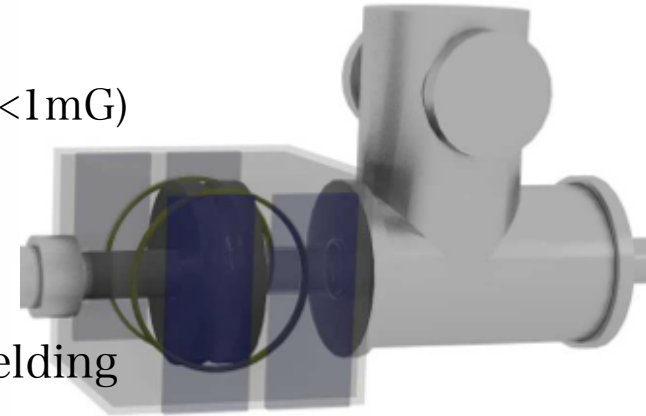
Helmholtz coils 0-10G static field
high stability power supply
Field Stability $<0.025\%$ @ 4G ($<1\text{mG}$)

beam stopper: stop particles
coming from the center of the CUSP

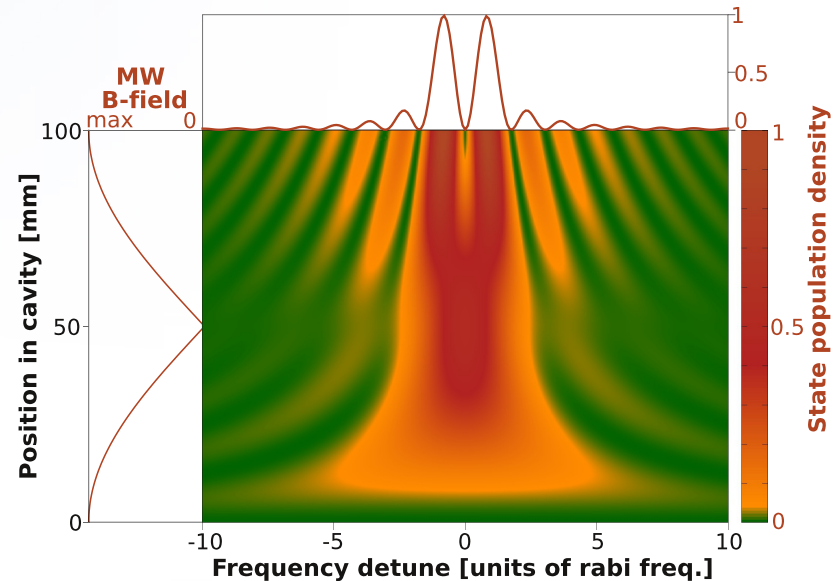
cavity length 10 cm

MW frequency: 1.42GHz

$Q \sim 100$

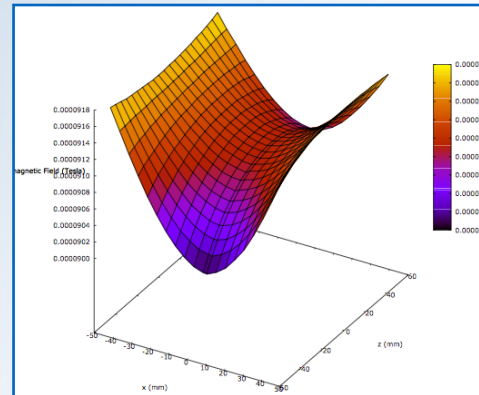
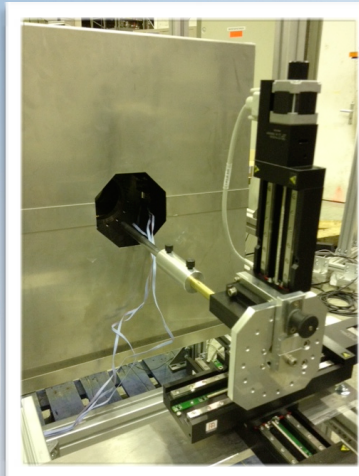


shielding



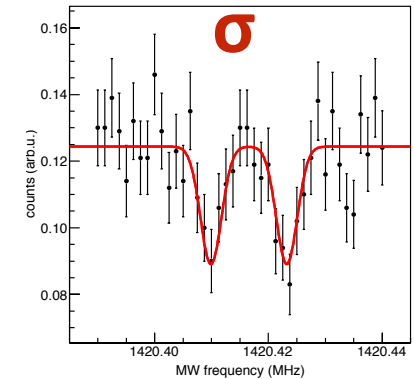
Numerical solving of the Bloch equations

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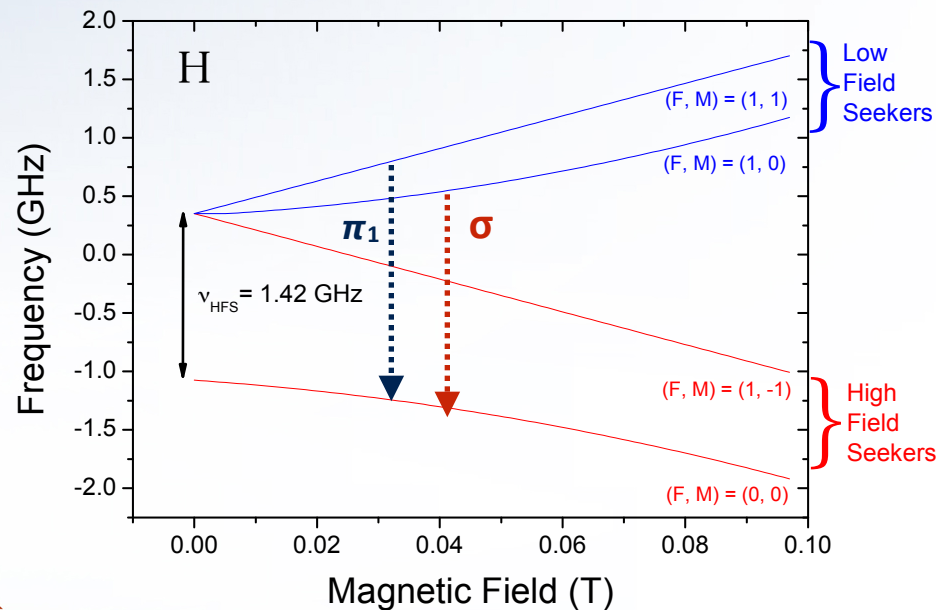


precise static field characterization

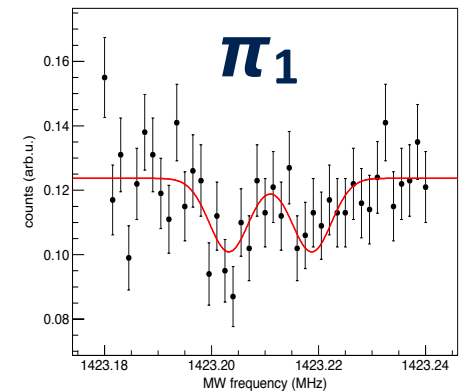
$$\frac{\Delta B}{B} = 1\%$$



simulation done at 2G, T=50K



$$\frac{\Delta B}{B} = 0.1\%$$



DETECTOR IMPROVEMENTS

Detector:

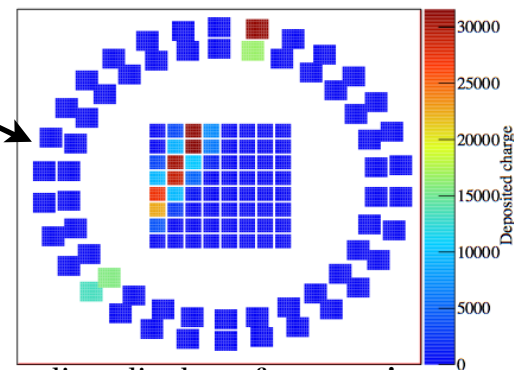
- combination of calorimeter (distinction between $\bar{H}$ and $\bar{H}$ annihilation products) and tracking detector
- addition of a 2nd layer of hodoscope (vertex reconstruction)

SIMULATION:

cosmics simulated with CRY 1.7 in G4

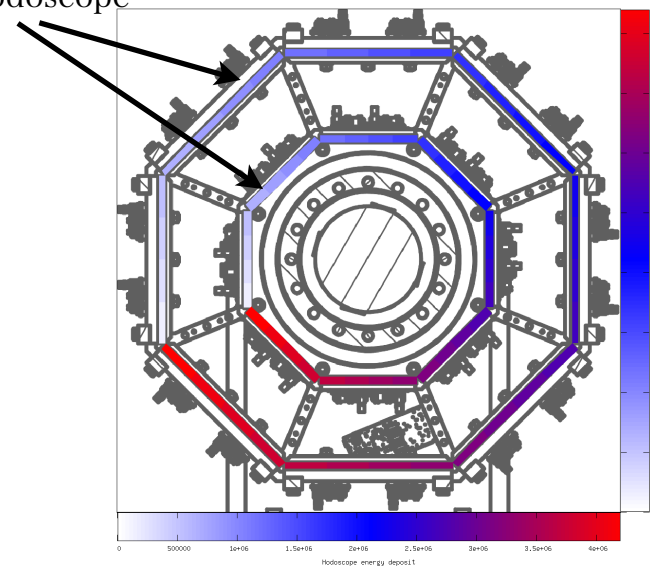
Assuming 2012 experimental conditions, S/N ratio of ~ 10
 $\sim 50\%$ detection efficiency

1 layer of hodoscope.
Read out on both side

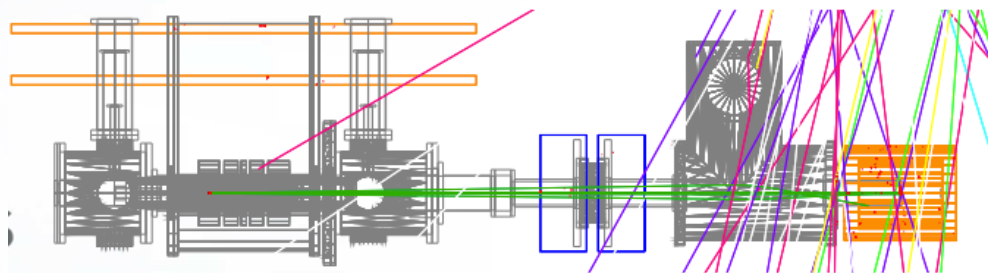


online display of a cosmic events in the detector (2012)

2 layers of hodoscope



online display with simulated $\bar{H}$ annihilation



SILICON PM DEVELOPMENTS

Read-out:

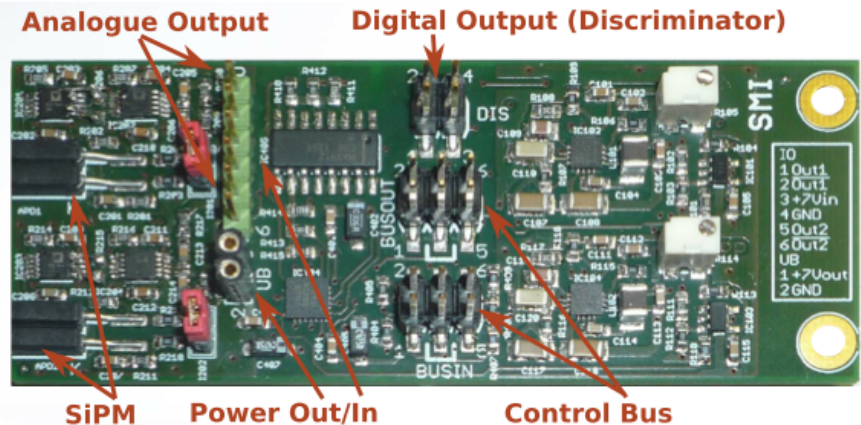
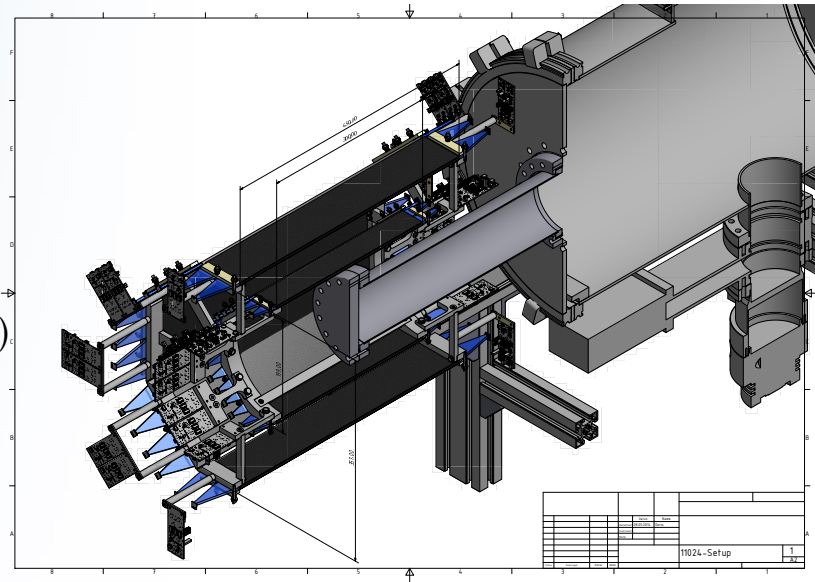
Faster read-out, improvement of the SiPM read-out electronics

- computer controlled gain
- each channel self triggering (e.g for calibration)
- computer controlled trigger threshold for each SiPM channel
- differential digital and analogue signal transmission

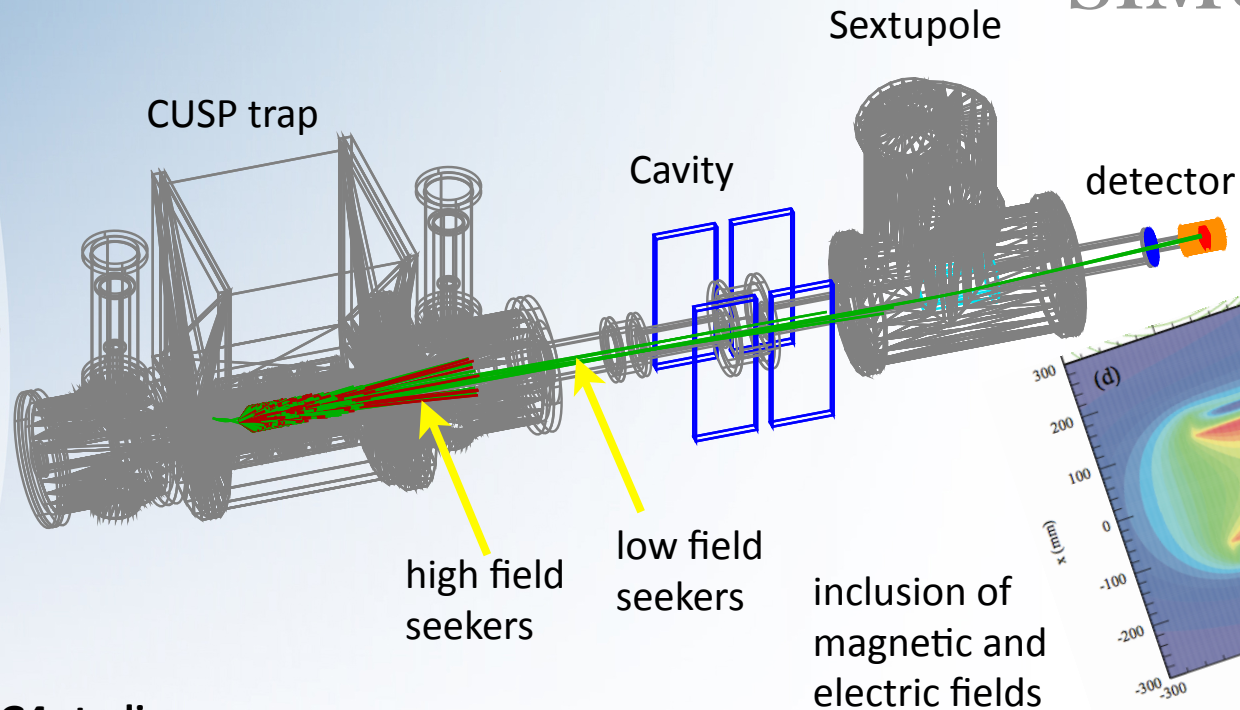


Timing resolution including scintillator response ~600ps FWHM

Further S/N enhancement using timing cut

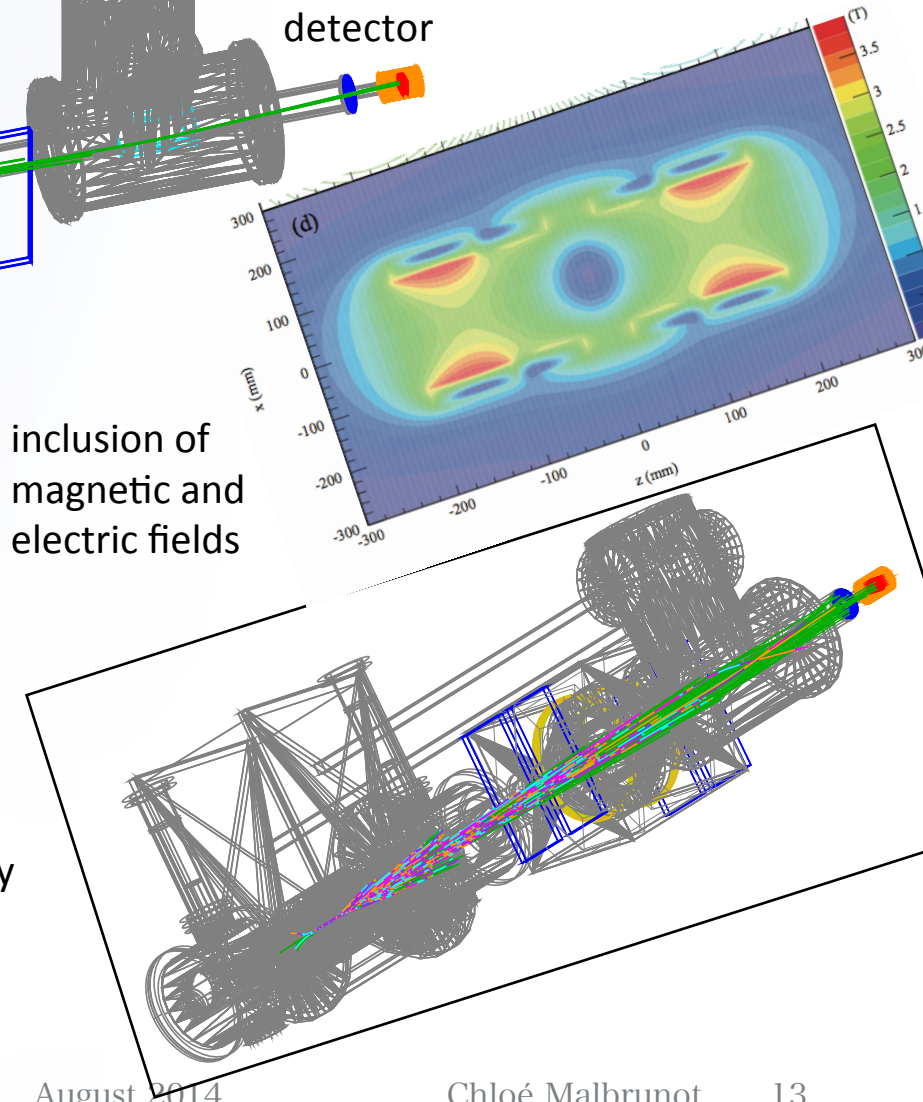


SIMULATION

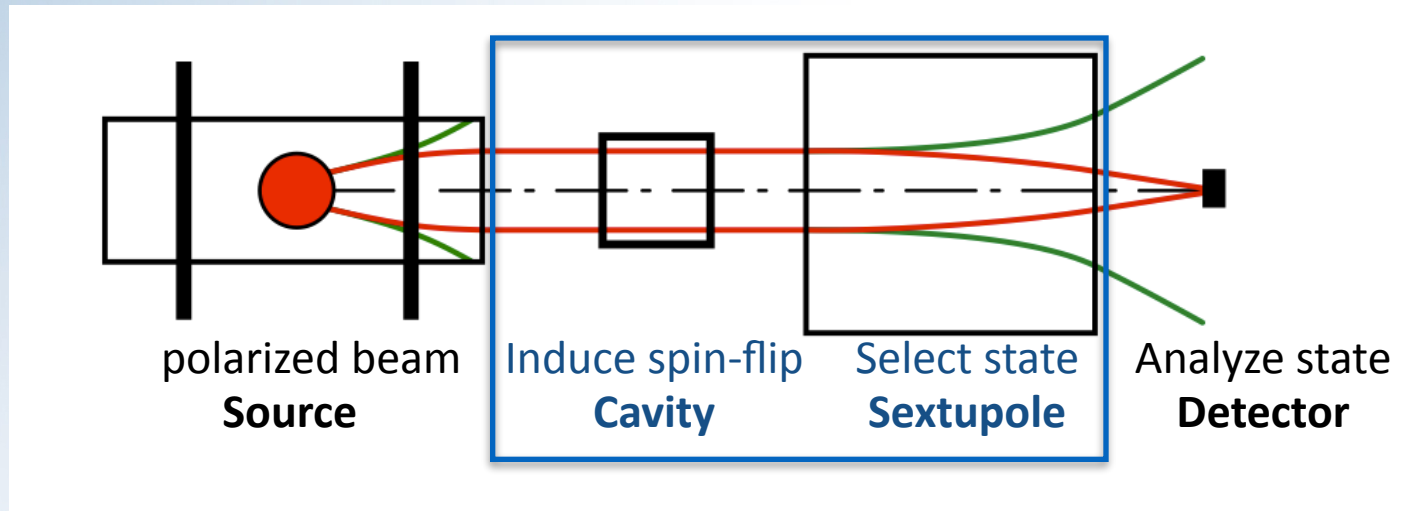


G4 studies:

- simulation of $\bar{H}$ trajectories in field (tracking neutral particle)
- inclusion of radiative decay
- background simulation
- cosmoics
- estimation of transition probabilities in cavity
- effect of inhomogeneities of static field
- benchmarking of physics lists



TEST SETUP WITH HYDROGEN BEAM (LS1)



	$\bar{\text{H}}$ beam	H beam
Beam rate at production (4π)	small ($\approx 10^3/\text{minute}$)	high ($\approx 10^{19}/\text{minute}$)
Quantum state	broad distribution	GS
Detection efficiency	detector 0.4 to 0.6 solide angle ($\approx 10^{-4}$)	detector ($\approx 10^{-8}$) solide angle ($\approx 10^{-6}$)
Detection method	Energy deposit, tracking	ionization and single ion counting
Background	cosmics, upstream annihilation	residual gas background $\gg$ signal (LIA)

TEST SETUP WITH HYDROGEN BEAM (LS1)

atomic H source

ON $\rightarrow$ H and H₂
OFF $\rightarrow$ H₂ only

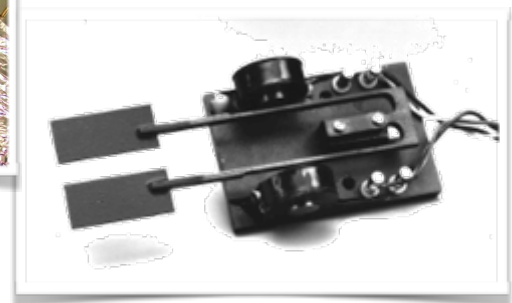
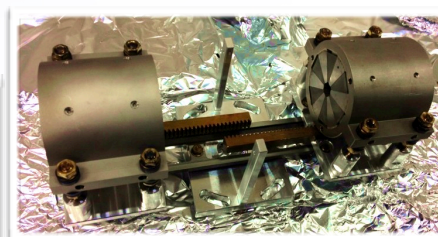
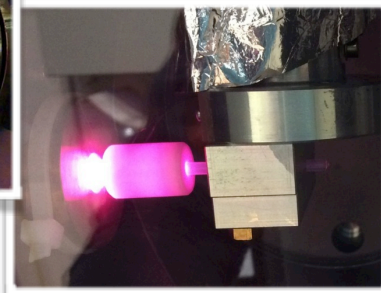
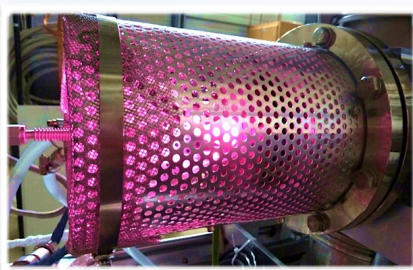
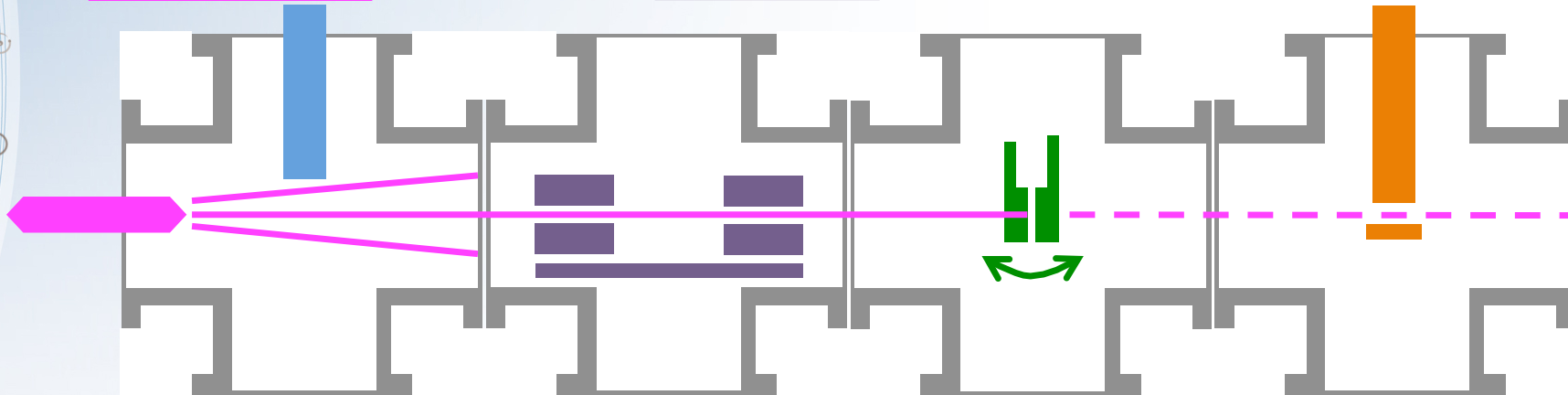
Cryogenic
(cold head)
for 50-100K
beam

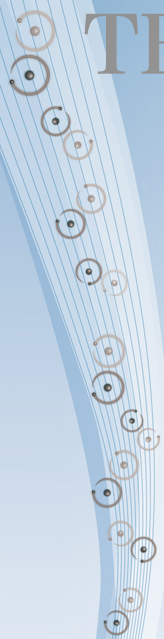
Sextupole
for polarized
beam

Fork-Chopper
 $f \approx 178$ Hz
50% duty cycle

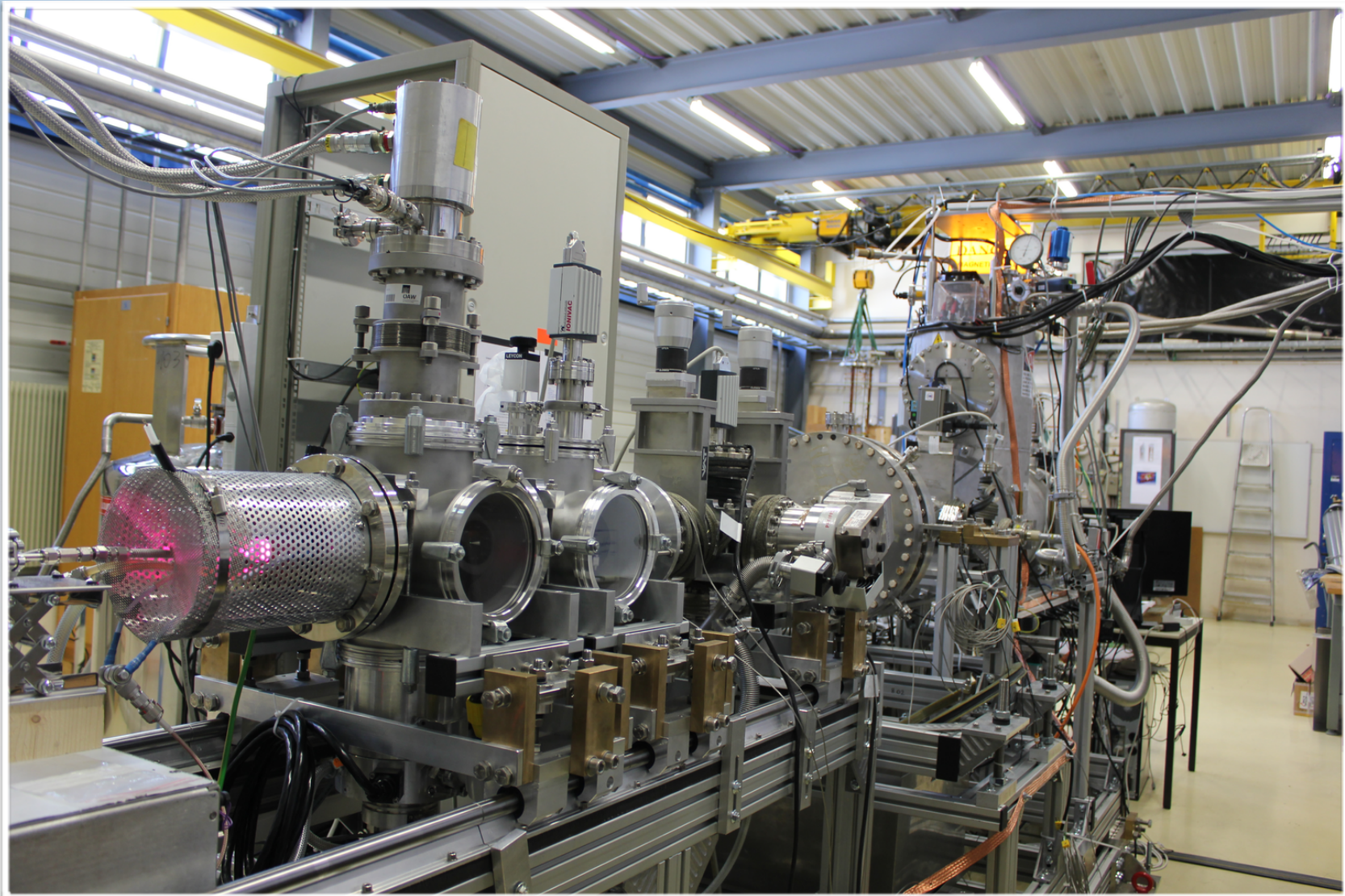
Quadrup. Mass Spec.

detects mass=1 H₁⁺
or mass=2 H₂⁺





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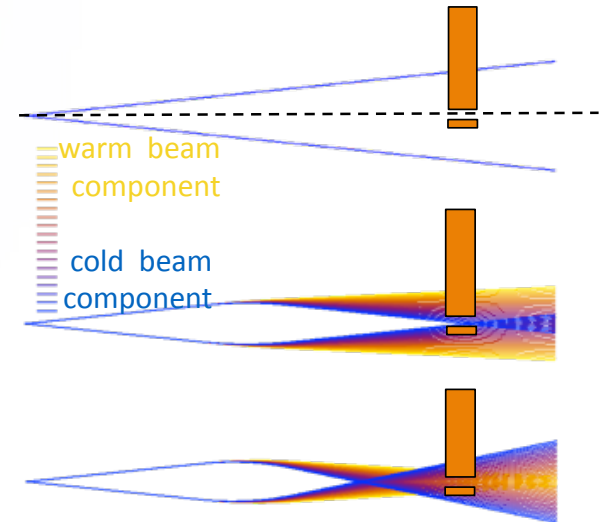
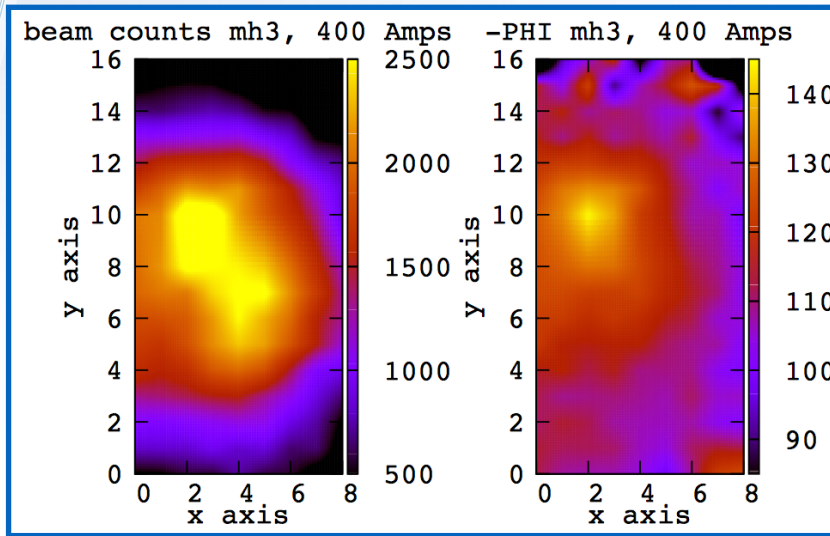
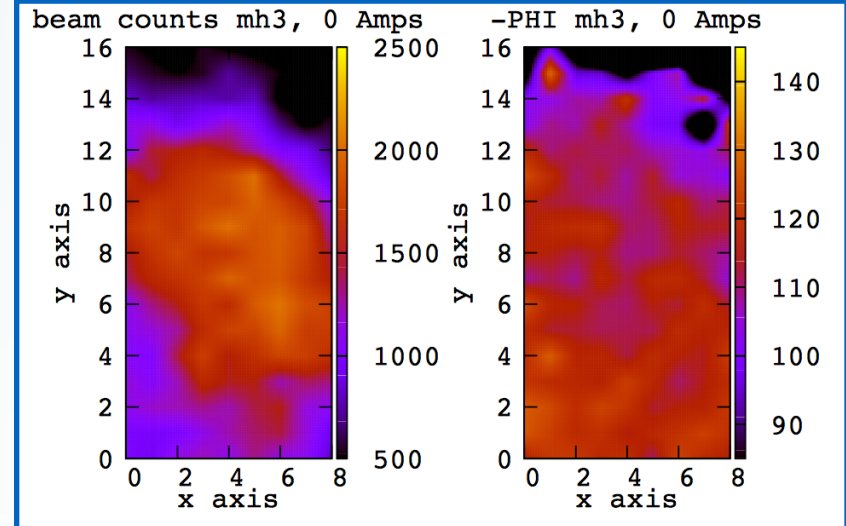
HYDROGEN BEAMTEST

Polarized beam:

focusing effect of cold atoms

Phase can be compared to a laser beam

Estimation of the temperature of the beam



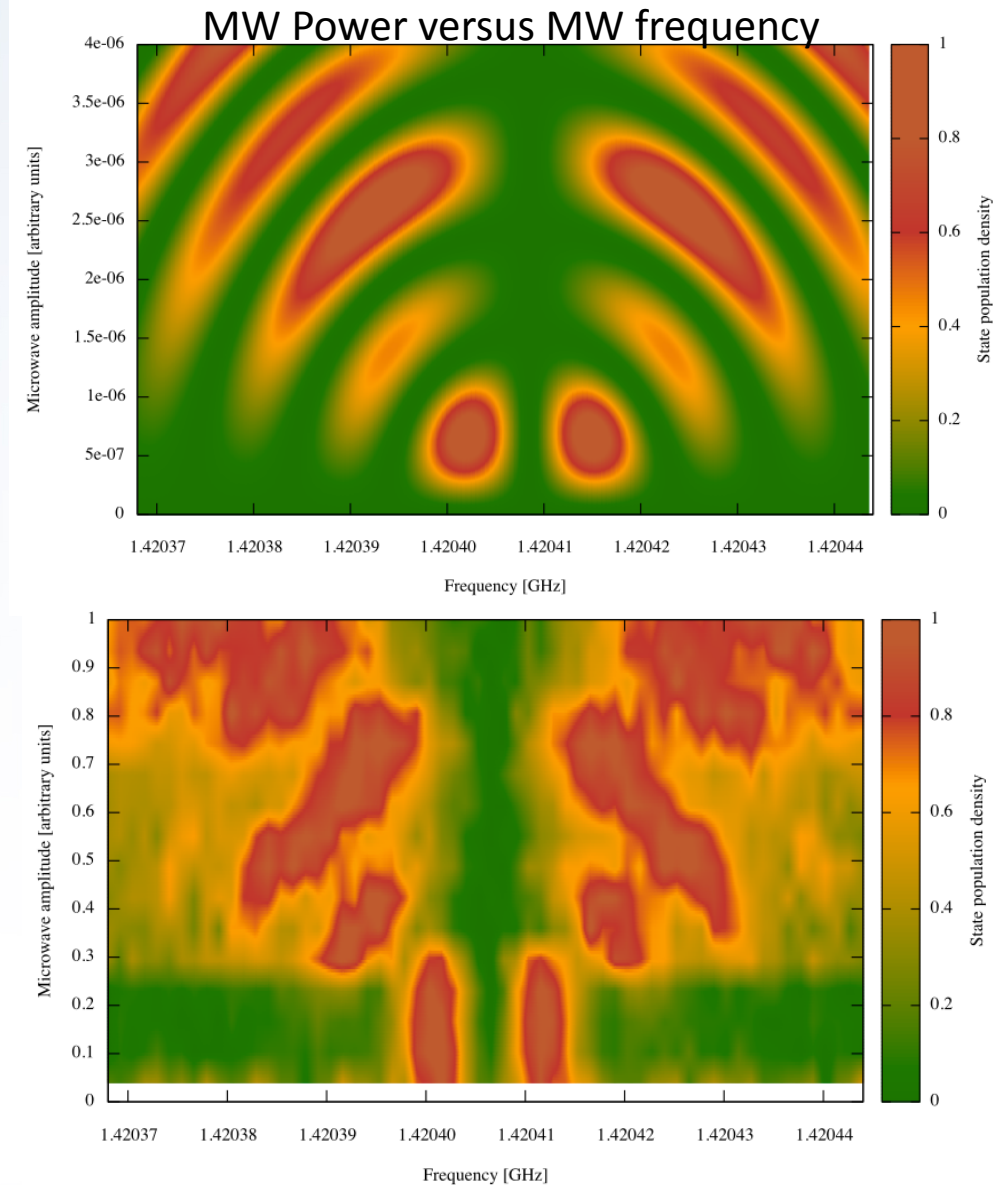
HYDROGEN BEAMTEST

Simulation:

- Numerical solving of optical Bloch equ.
- Single velocity
- No field inhomogeneity
- Theoretical lineshape: input for the spline fit

Measurements:

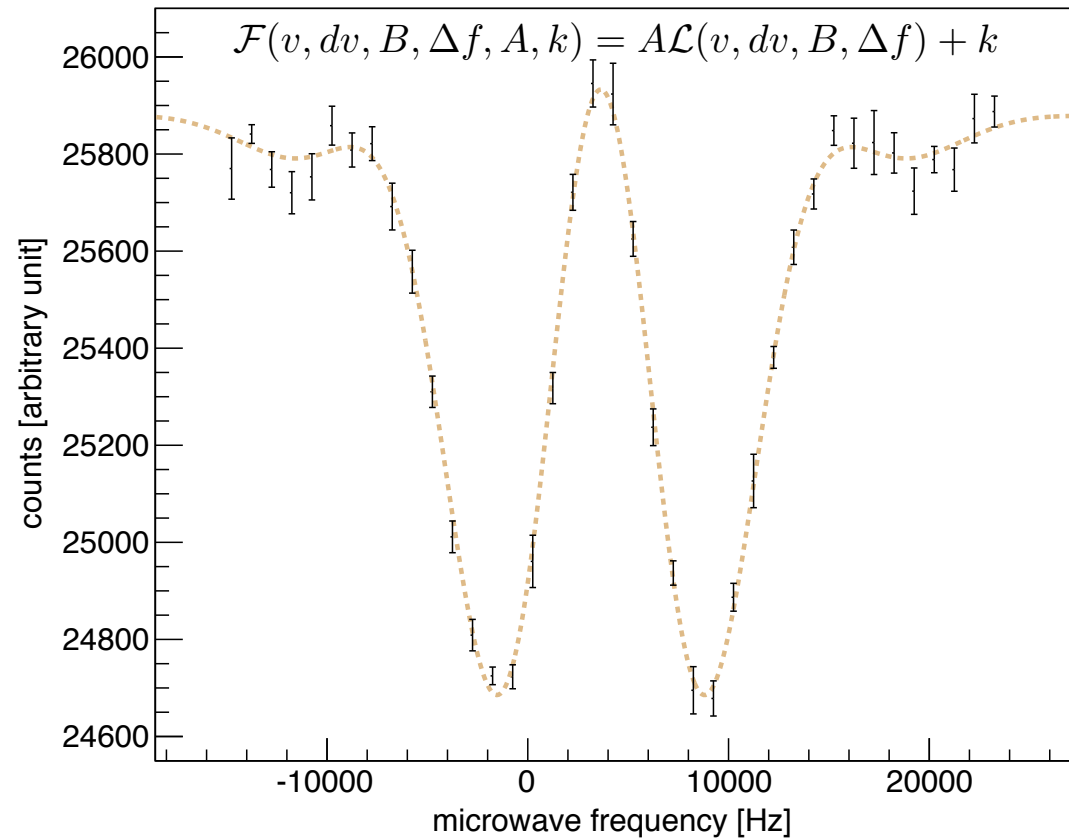
- Source temperature at 50K
- Finite velocity distribution



HYDROGEN BEAMTEST

Illustration of a measurement and spline fit

Fit parameters	results
Microwave amplitude [mG]	4.83 ± 0.70
f_0 [Hz]	1420407663 ± 30
central velocity [m/s]	835.3 ± 6.5
Velocity spread [m/s]	80.0 ± 7.4
χ^2/nod	30.1/33

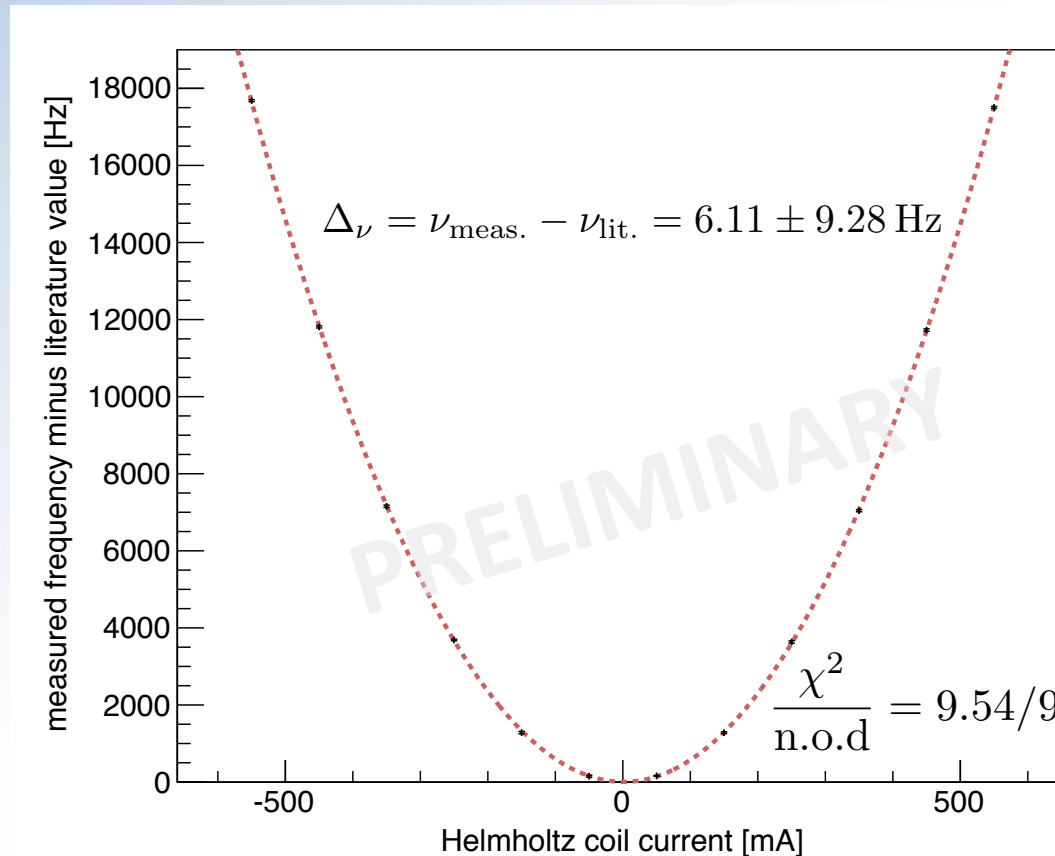


Velocity consistent with temperature of the source: 50K

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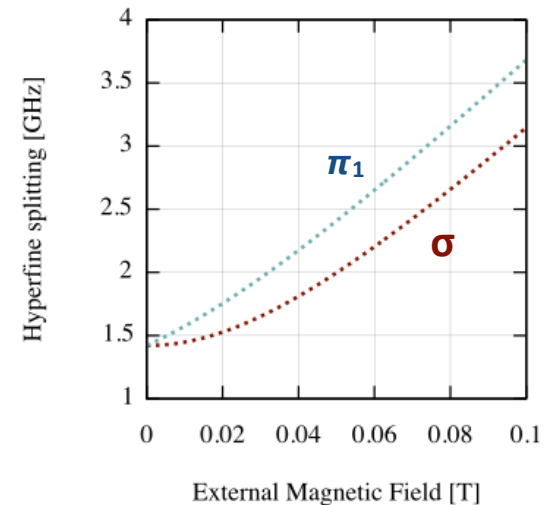
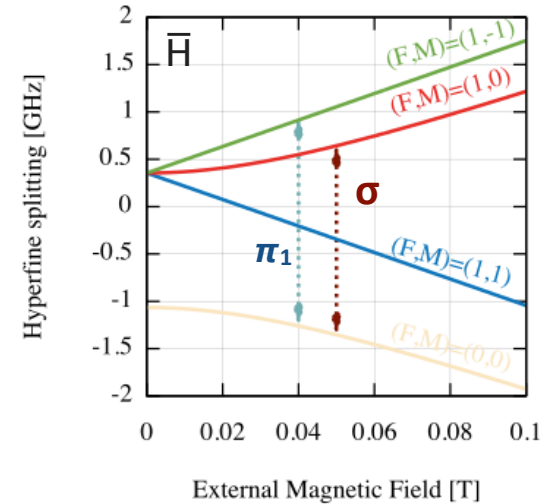
Fitting the theoretical curve to the data

Helmholtz coil currents: external B field is a fit parameter



Error bars included

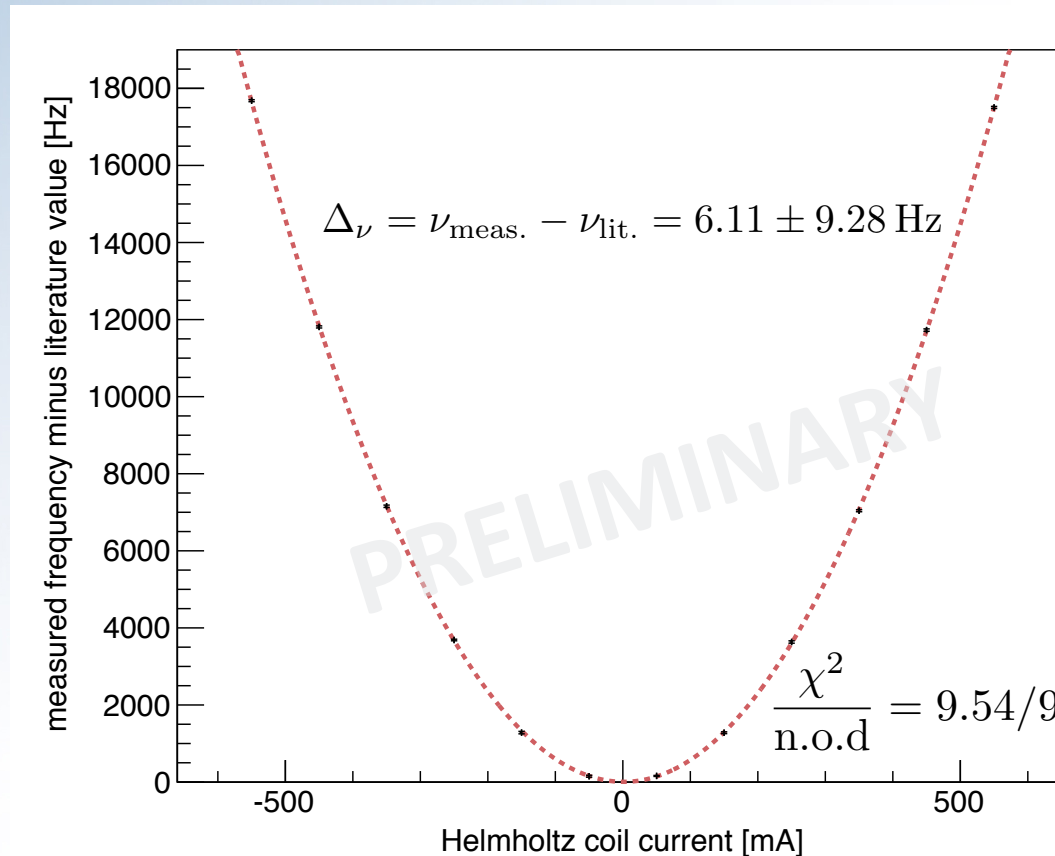
B field are consistent (within 1 sigma) with flux gate readings



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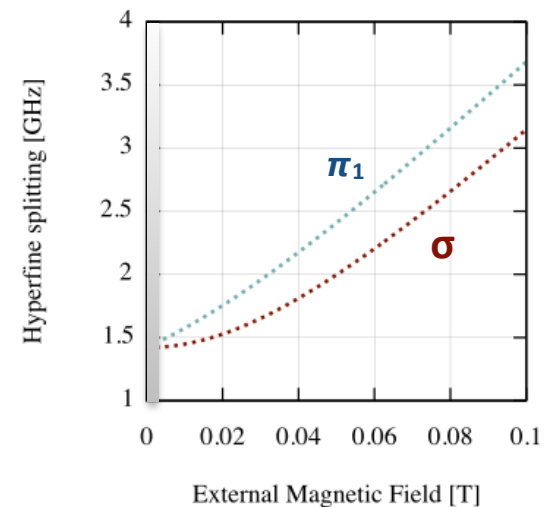
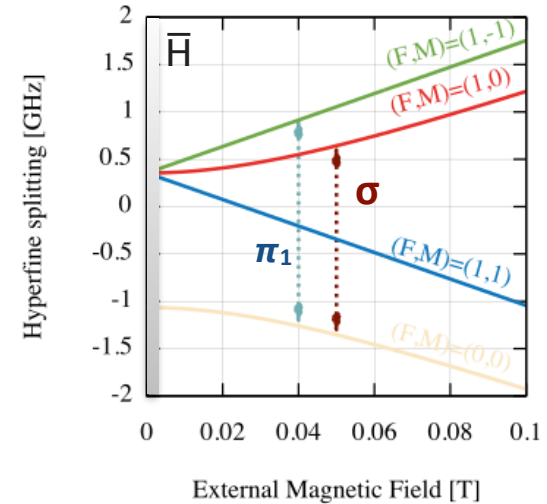
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HYDROGEN BEAMTEST

- Best beam measurement

$$\nu = 1420.40573(5) \text{ MHz}$$

$$\frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu} = 3.5 \times 10^{-8}$$

Kusch. Physical Review. 100, 4 (1955)

- Maser experiments

$$\nu = 1420.405751768(1) \text{ MHz}$$

$$\frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu} = 7 \times 10^{-13}$$

N.F. Ramsey et al., Quantum Electrodynamics,
World Scientific, Singapore, 1990, p. 673

$$\nu = 1420.405757(9) \text{ MHz}$$

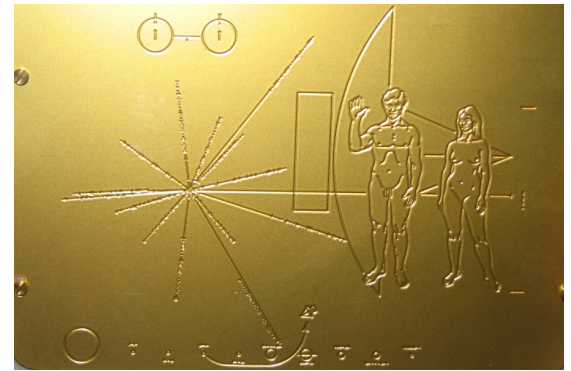
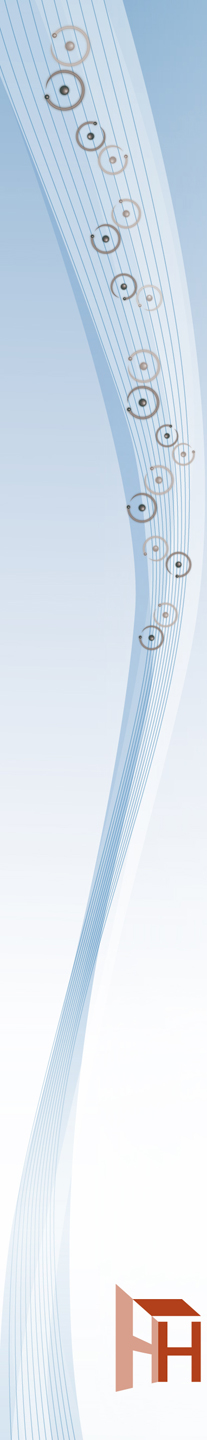
$$\frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu} = 6.5 \times 10^{-9}$$

This work

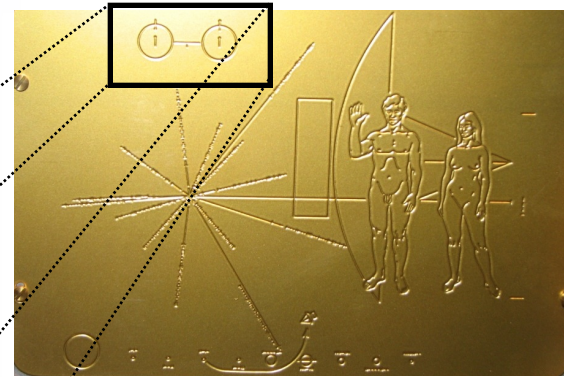
Observation of π transition in Earth magnetic field
Further measurements with π planned

SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

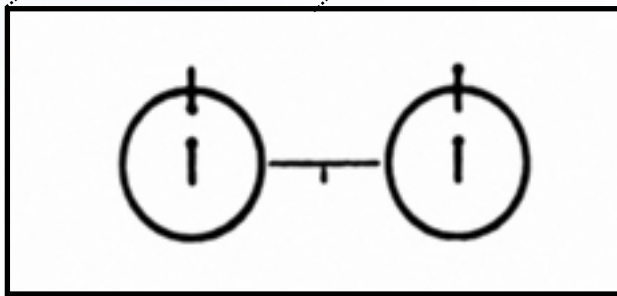
- Construction of a antihydrogen **detector** ongoing. Ready for 2014 beamtime
- Extensive **Monte Carlo** simulation done/ongoing
- Full **spectroscopy beamline** is ready for the beamtime
- Precise **σ Resonance** (ppb) measured in Hydrogen
Majorana spin flip is not affecting the signal
Resonance width is small
 π resonance to be measured
- **Systematics study** being finalized
- ppm precision measurement of **$\nu_{\bar{H}}$** in sight
“cold” beam
Ground state at the cavity
Factor ≈ 10 more statistics

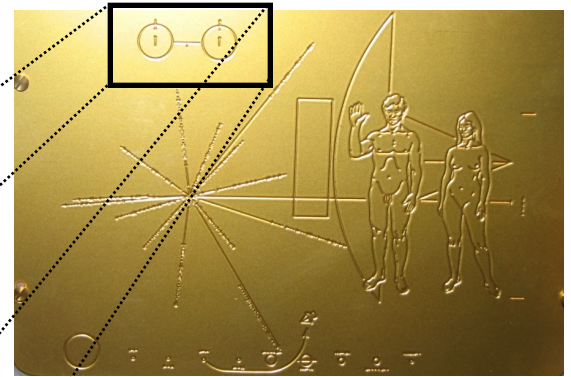


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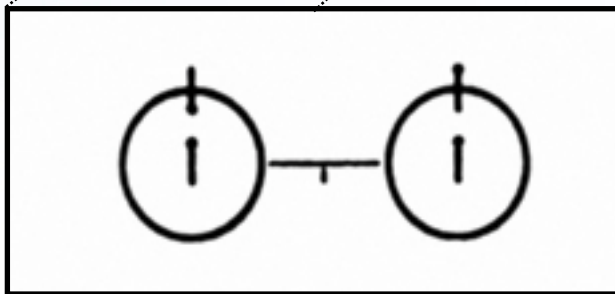


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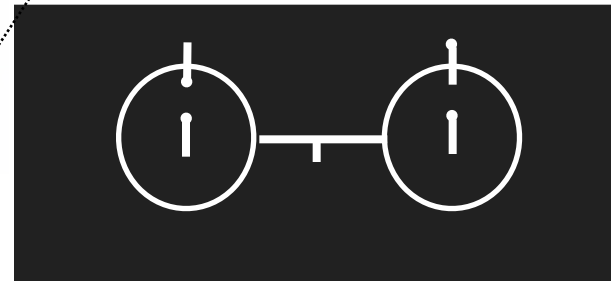




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ASACUSA Scientific project

- (1) Spectroscopy of $\bar{p}\text{He}$
- (2) $\bar{p}$ annihilation cross-section
- (3) $\bar{H}$ production and spectroscopy

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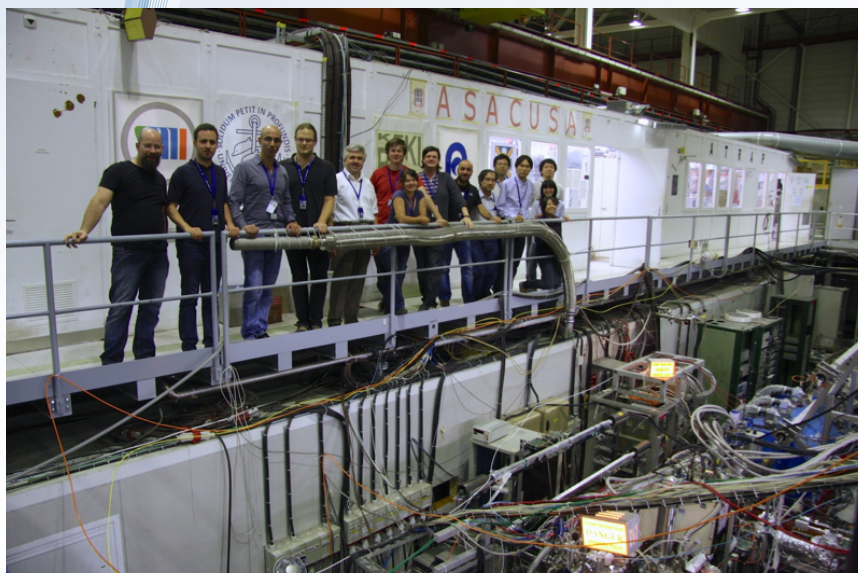
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