

#### Mesure gravitationnelle de l'antimatière

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### Plan

- Motivations et buts
- Principe
- État de l'art
- Premiers résultats
- Futur proche ELENA

#### Matière-Antimatière et Univers



L. Willmann, K. Jungmann arXiv:1506.03001

#### Antimatière & (anti ?) gravité



- Contraintes exp. : M. Nieto & al. Phys. Rep. 205 (1991)
- Motivation pour l'antigravité : G. Chardin, Hyp. Int. 109, 83 (1997)
- Violations de Lorentz & CPT : V.A. Kostelecky et al., Phys. Rev. D83 (2011)
- DM & DE : gravitation. pol. & dipole of vaccuum : D.S.Hajdukovic, Astro Space Sciences 338, (March 2012)
- Nouvelles expériences :
  - ALPHA (CERN-AD 2013) ; AEGIS (CERN-AD6 -2012) ; Gbar (CERN-AD 2016)



## Goals and Motivations

- Measure  $\vec{P}=\vec{m}\times\vec{g}$  to 1% – Looking at free fall of cold  $\vec{H}$  atoms
- Test of WEP on antimatter in the Earth gravitational field
  - First (?) direct measurement
  - Need a large number of atoms (10<sup>5</sup>)
- Extra
  - Spectroscopy, Ps physics, H-Hbar comparison,...



# Gravitational acceleration of antimatter

• No direct CPT test

– Weak Equivalence Principle

- No precise experimental test yet
- Highest precision
   With neutral
  - antimatter



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year	investigator	accuracy	method
500	Philoponus	"small"	drop tower
1585	Stevin	5 10 <sup>-2</sup>	drop tower
1590	Galileo	2 10 <sup>-2</sup>	pendulum,drop tower
1686	Newton	1 10 <sup>-3</sup>	pendulum
1832	Bessel	2 10 <sup>-5</sup>	pendulum
1910	Southerns	5 10 <sup>-6</sup>	torsion balance
1918	Zeeman	3 10 <sup>-8</sup>	torsion balance
1922	Eotvos	5 10 <sup>-9</sup>	torsion balance
1923	Potter	3 10 <sup>-9</sup>	pendulum
1935	Renner	2 10 <sup>-9</sup>	torsion balance
1964	Dicke et al	3 10 <sup>-11</sup>	torsion balance
1972	Braginski,Panov	<b>1 10</b> <sup>-12</sup>	torsion balance
1976	Shapiro	<b>1 10</b> <sup>-12</sup>	lunar laser ranging
1987	Niebauer et al.,	<b>1 10</b> <sup>-10</sup>	drop tower
1989	Heckel	<b>1 10</b> <sup>-11</sup>	torsion balance
1990	Adelberger	<b>1 10</b> <sup>-12</sup>	torsion balance
1999	Baebler	1 10 <sup>-13</sup>	torsion balance
2016	Microscope	1 10 <sup>-15</sup>	space
20??		1 10 <sup>-18</sup>	space



Equivalence Principle Tests for Matter systems



#### Limites indirectes

Gravitational Clock Redshift for p/pbar



#### Limites directes actuelles

- Antimatière
  - « Limites » ALPHA

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• Expérience de sédimentation to measure the gravitational mass of antihydrogen

The ALPHA Collaboration & A. E. Charman



Pas de contrainte très forte !





#### Antihydrogène : production



#### Cold pbar : AEgIS recipe

$$\overline{p} + (Ps)^* \rightarrow \overline{H}^* + e^-$$

: Charge exchange reaction



## AEgIS $\overline{H}$ production way

• Antiprotons:

$$\overline{p} + (Ps)^* \rightarrow \overline{H}^* + e^-$$

- $-\overline{p}$  (5 MeV) from CERN AD
- Degrade & keep E<10 keV</p>
- Cool down (5T trap)
- Positronium

 $Ps^* = (e^+e^-)$ 

- e<sup>+</sup> on nano-porous SiO<sub>2</sub>, Rydberg states (n)
- Form  $\overline{\mathbf{H}}$  by interaction of Ps with  $\overline{\mathbf{p}}$  cloud – Xsection:  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \propto n^4$

### **AEgIS H production way**

- Adding a p beam gives C-conjugate:
   p (2 keV)
   p+(Ps)<sup>\*</sup> → H<sup>\*</sup> + e<sup>+</sup>
- Form H by interaction of Ps with p cloud
- Comparison H-Hbar
- Extra needs
  - P beam, H-detector
  - Installed in 2014

$$Ps^* = (e^+e^-)$$

#### Measurement sensitivity



- 1% sensitivity achievable with ~ 600 annihilations
- Measurement
   resolution ~ 3 μm
- Cold antihydrogen necessary for bigger deflection and lower beam divergence.

#### Experimental site CERN Anti Decelerator(AD) area



#### **Experimental setup**



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#### pbar degrader





**CERN AD area** 

#### **Trapping antiprotons**



#### Antiproton trapping



Anti-p catching after Al degrader in the 5T trap

**Cooling by electrons** 



### (anti)hydrogen detector

• Tune/Analyse traps





HDetCCD - image n. 1 [Run 10289]





Commissioned (2014) with e-,

pbar,

## Radial compression of the Trapped plasma with RF field: Rotating Wall 1



#### Positrons line

Trapping:  $\varepsilon = 0.14$ Accumulator Transfer line OE OB 4. 10<sup>7</sup> e<sup>+</sup>  $\varepsilon = 0.9$ Surko type e<sup>+</sup> accumulator N<sub>2</sub> in Ience Principl beam will be deflectomete ΤT T III d position reso 800 10<sup>-3</sup> torr 10<sup>-4</sup> torr 10<sup>-6</sup> torr. OVC 700 UHV Jump amplitude (a.u.) B=0 151 600 base pressure  $\overline{H}$ Lifetime = 120 Moiré deflect 4.2 10^7 e+ 500 A Fig.1 Left: Schema 400 particles for a posi В base pressure 3 10^-9 mbar С 300 Lifetime =  $31 \pm 1$  s Nuclear emulsions ar base pressur "fill" 1.1 10^7 e+ resolution, better that Lifetime = 16200 <sup>22</sup>Na source: > 50 - 100 mC 6.8 10^6 e+ area nuclear emulsion phase base pressure 1 10^-8 mbar in automated scannin 100 Moderation through solid neon Lifetime = 7 ± 1 s 2.8 10^6 e+ emulsions which can Accumulation in trap This opens new appl Buffer gas cooling 500 1000 15( Pulses from the tr

<sup>22</sup>Na (14 mCi)

Solid Ne moderator:  $\varepsilon = 2.10^{-2}$ 

#### Positronium formation

- Implantation of e<sup>+</sup> in nano-porous target
  - $-SiO_2 8-14$  nm pores;T~75 K oPs
  - Tune pore size to tune Ps temp.



Positronium emission



Nanochannels size #0:4-7 nm #3:10-16 nm #1:8-12 nm #4:14-20 nm #2:8-14 nm #5:80-120 nmin silicon reach the silicon/silive interfate 8 (2008) silicon oxide layer because energetically ariazzi fet al., Phys. Rev. B 81, 2354 8 (2010)



#### Ps excitation

Two stages excitation

 − UV (205 nm): n=1→ 3
 − IR (1650-1700 nm): n=3→25-3



Phys. Rev. A 78 (2008) 052512; NIM B 269 (2011) 1527







#### **Rydberg** excitation



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#### Hbar atoms Production

Charge exchange reaction: P+C

$$\overline{p} + (Ps)^* \rightarrow \overline{H}^* + e^-$$



– large xsection:  $a_0 n^4$ 

- V(Hbar)=45m/s @T=100nK, n=30

#### **Production zone**





G. Consolati et al., Chem. Soc. Rev. 42, 3821 (2013)

#### Plasma manipulations in traps



#### Anti-H monitoring







400 scintillating fibers

Constraints:

- operate at 4 K, in high vacuum
- inside 1 T
- power dissipation < 10 W.

Fast Annihilation Particle Tracking resolution ~ 2 mm

Tests with cosmic rays  $\rightarrow$  almost no degradation

Nucl Instr. Meth A 732 (2013) 437

#### Hbar beam

 Accelerate an electric dipole (H\*) by an electric field gradient

– Hbar bea along z axis @ 100 m/s

• Demonstrated with hydrogen



$$\vec{F} = -\frac{3}{2}ea_0 n \text{ (n-1) } \nabla \vec{E}$$

- n = 22, 23, 24
- Acceleration up to 2 x 10<sup>8</sup> m/s<sup>2</sup> achieved

E. Vliegen and F. Merkt, J. Phys. B. 39 (2006) L241.

#### Gravity measurement

- Using a moiré deflectometer + position sensitive detector
- Detection a periodic shift (due to gravity)



## Moiré deflectometer

- Proof of principle tested with pbar
  - D=25 mm, pitch=40um
  - Beam (pbar) 100-150 keV
  - Laser beam reference







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#### Moiré deflectometer

• First demonstration of a moiré deflectometer technique with pbar



#### Detection

• We have tested (2012/2014)

emulsions



Prepare hybrid
 (emulsion+Si)
 detector



Silicon detector

Timepix3





## AEGIS - current status

#### Achieved so far:

- Antiprotons (compression and fast transfer in 1 Tesla) + electron manipulation
- Positron transfer
- oPs, n=1; n=3; n>15 (Rydberg)
- H acceleration (Stark)
- Silicon sensor and emulsion detector tests
- Moiré deflectrometer and time resolution tests

#### **To be done (in situ): 2015/16**

- The first goal is to produce pulsed antihydrogen formation at 4 K
- Ps\* spectroscopy

#### Further improvements (in situ & test labs): 2016/2017

- Ps formation, anti-H beam formation,
- Gravity setup **First measurement**
- Increase e+ (new source)
- Improve pbar cooling (C<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> cooling)
- New pbar beam (ELENA)



## Colder pbar

- Cold pbar to maximize flux
  - T~100 mK (7K now)
- Sympathetic laser cooling with negative ions



5. Sympathetic cooling of antiprotons by anions



Difficult to produce + Low cooling rate + spectroscopy unknown +photodetachement



Why not molecules!



2010: DeMille's group demonstrates laser collimation with a radiative force on SrF 2014: Show 3D cooling and trapping: Nature 512, 286–289 (21 August 2014)

#### LETTER

doi:10.1038/nature09443

#### Laser cooling of a diatomic molecule

E. S. Shuman<sup>1</sup>, J. F. Barry<sup>1</sup> & D. DeMille<sup>1</sup>

*Like a 2 level atom: 98% of branching ratio* 



## Example (best known molecule) C<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>



10 lasers 10 K → 100mK in 100 ms 30% losses (photodetachment) 2 possible cooling schemes

• 
$$X^2 S_g^+ \rightarrow B^2 S_u^+$$

541, 598, 667, 753 nm probability (Franck-Condon) 72, 23, 3, 0.8

Ultra fast cooling : lifetime 70ns

high photodetachement s ~  $10^{-17}$  cm<sup>2</sup>  $\rightarrow$  rate I s/h n=1/s for I = 30mW/cm<sup>2</sup>

- $X^2 S_g^+ \rightarrow A^2 P_u$
- $2.53\ \mu m$  and  $4.50\ \mu m$

Less laser needed slower cooling (100µs) No photodetachement

Easy to produce + Fast cooling rate + spectroscopy known + no-photodetachement

#### **Extremely Low Energy Antiproton area**



#### Pbar 100 keV En //

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#### Matter wave interferometer and deflectometer

$$\delta arphi_{
m beam} < arphi_{
m diffr} = \lambda_{
m dB}/d$$

v = 1000 m/s $d = 0.1 \ \mu\text{m}$  $\partial \varphi_{\text{beam}} < 4 \ \text{mrad}$  $T < 1 \ \text{mK}$ 



- diffraction requirement on angular beam divergence:



#### Interferences quantiques



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