

Towards the production of an anti-hydrogen beam

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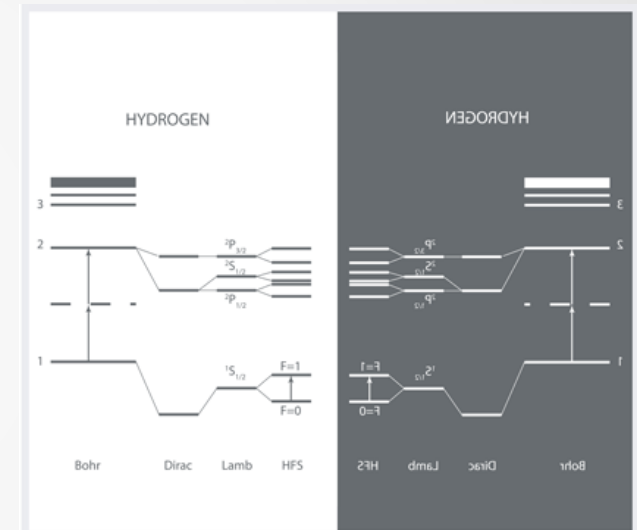
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Why Antihydrogen ?

- *Antihydrogen is the **simplest atom** consisting entirely of antimatter.
- *Hydrogen counterpart is one of the **best understood** and most precisely measured atoms in physics.
- *A comparison of antihydrogen and hydrogen offers one of the most **sensitive tests** of CPT symmetry.



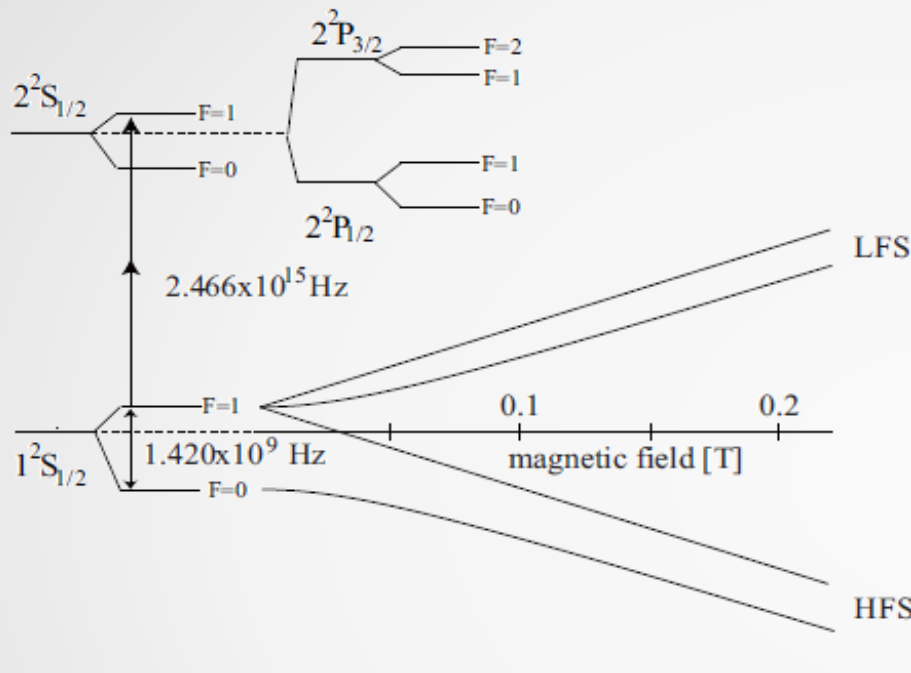
What ?

High precision spectroscopy of the ground state hyperfine splitting of antihydrogen.

How ?

Creation of a spin-polarized anti-hydrogen beam

Low energy anti-hydrogen atoms (Level diagram)



$e^+ \bar{p}$

Low Field Seekers (LFS)

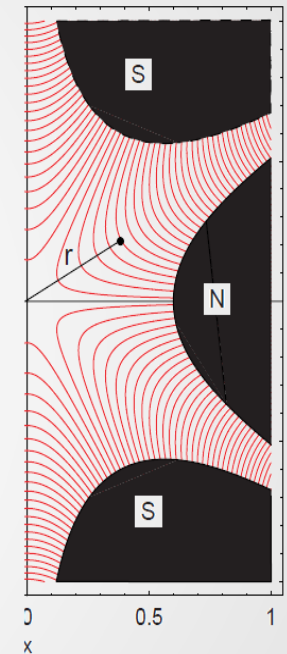
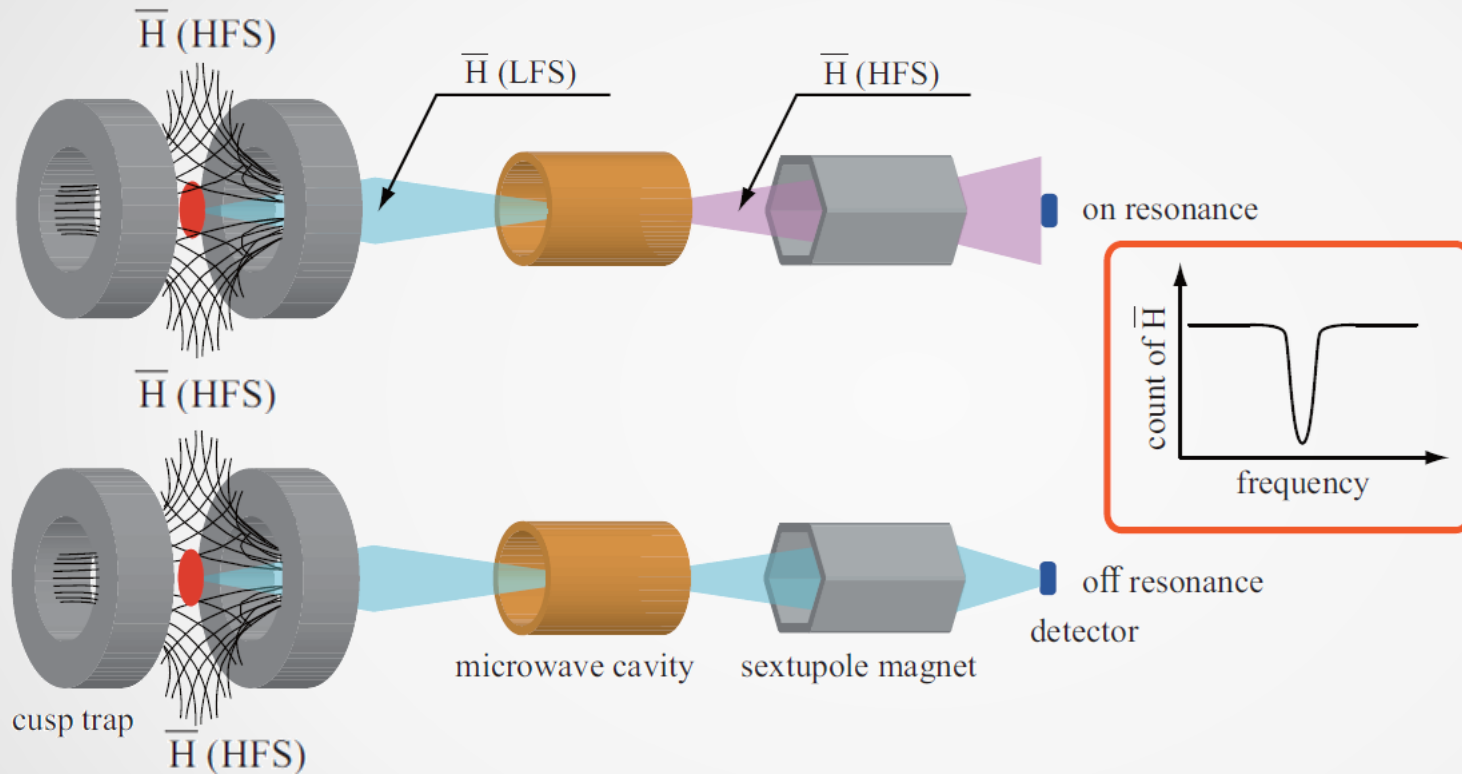
$$\nu_{HFS} = \frac{16}{3} \left(\frac{m_p}{m_p + m_e} \right)^3 \frac{m_e \mu_p}{m_p \mu_N} \alpha^2 c R y + \Delta$$

High Field Seekers (HFS)

	experiments (Hz)	$\Delta v_{\text{exp}} / \nu$	$ \nu_{\text{theory}} - v_{\text{exp}} / \nu$
ν_{1S-2S}	2,466,061,413,187,103(46)	1.7×10^{-14}	1×10^{-11}
ν_{HFS}	1,420,405,751.768(1)	6.3×10^{-13}	$(3.5+0.9) \times 10^{-6}$

Aim to measure ν_{HFS} with a precision of 1.8×10^{-6}
 Measure antihydrogen under field-free conditions!

Measuring the hyperfine structure



Anti Helmholtz configuration:

HFS-states: de-focused

LFS-states: focused

We require an antihydrogen beam!

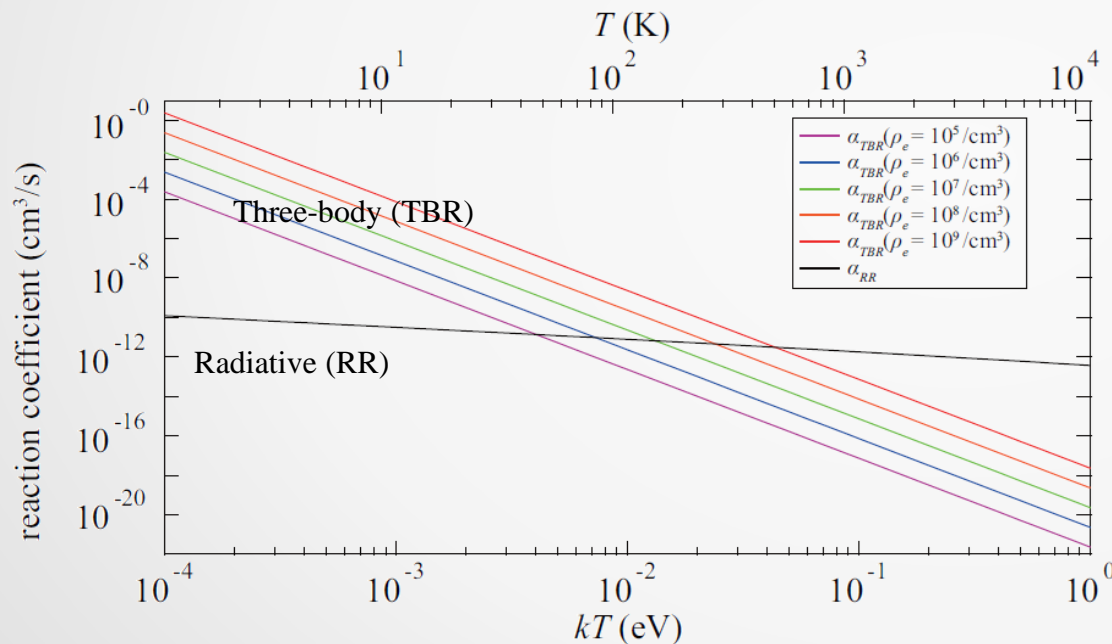
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Cold = ☺ (1)

(a) \bar{H} formation rate

$$\bar{p} + e^+ \rightarrow \bar{H} + h\nu \quad \alpha_{RR} = 1.92 \times 10^{-13} \frac{1}{\sqrt{kT}} \left\{ \ln \left(\frac{5.66}{\sqrt{kT}} \right) + 0.196(kT)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right\} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s} \quad \sigma \propto n_{e^+} T^{-1/2}$$

$$\bar{p} + e^+ + e^+ \rightarrow \bar{H} + e^+ \quad \alpha_{TBR}(n, E_{cm}, \rho_e) = 1.96 \times 10^{-29} \rho_e \frac{1}{kT} n^6 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s} \quad \sigma \propto n_{e^+}^2 T^{-9/2}$$

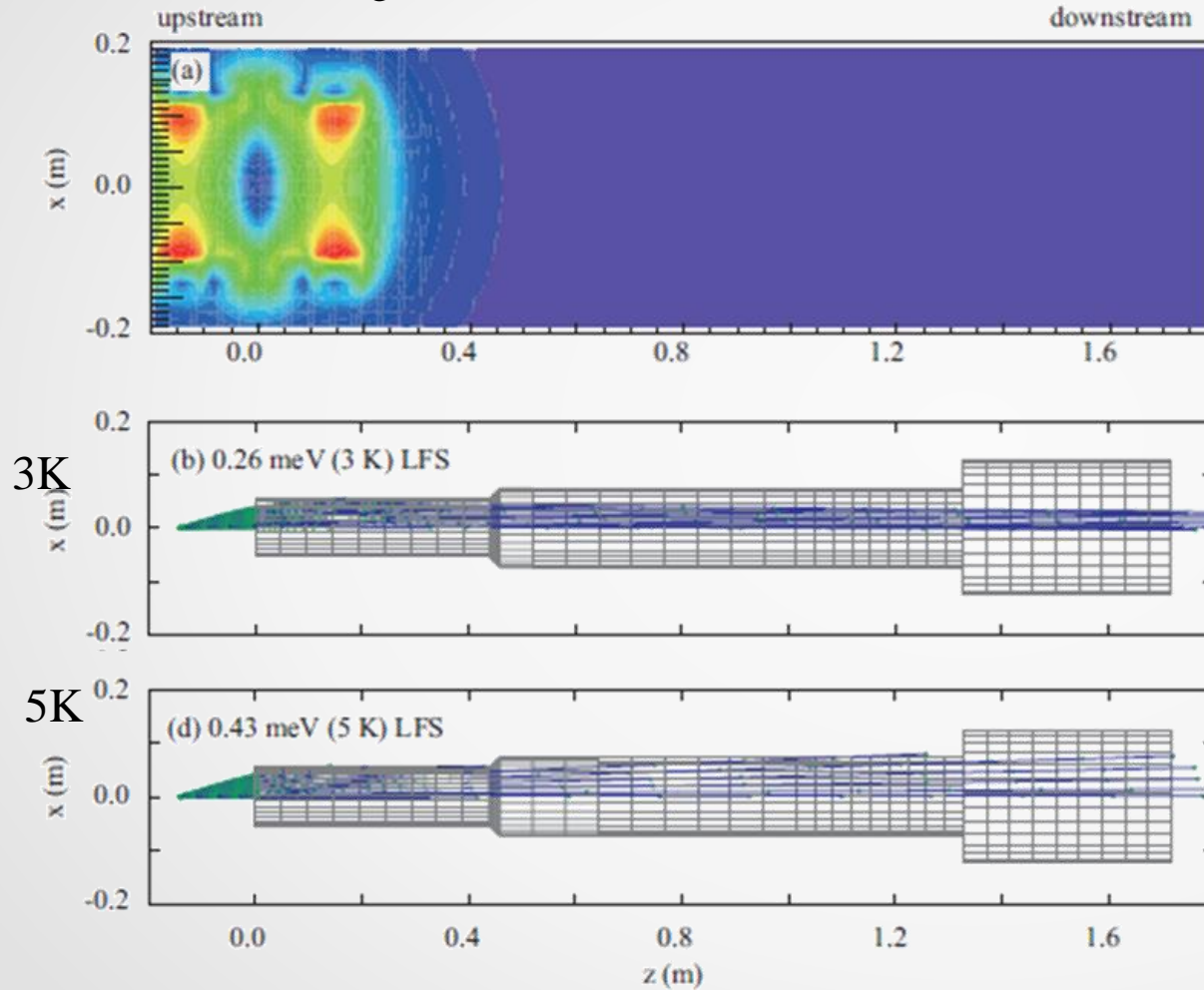


Due to the strong dependence on the density and temperature of e^+ , three body recombination is the dominant process at $\sim 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $\sim 10 \text{ K}$

At a low temperature, a high density positron plasma is favorable for the effective production of anti-hydrogen atoms

Cold = ☺ (2)

2) \bar{H} focusing



The intensity of LFS \bar{H} from CUSP to detector is much enhanced when the temperature is reduced

For 3K compared to the solid angle, the intensity changes:

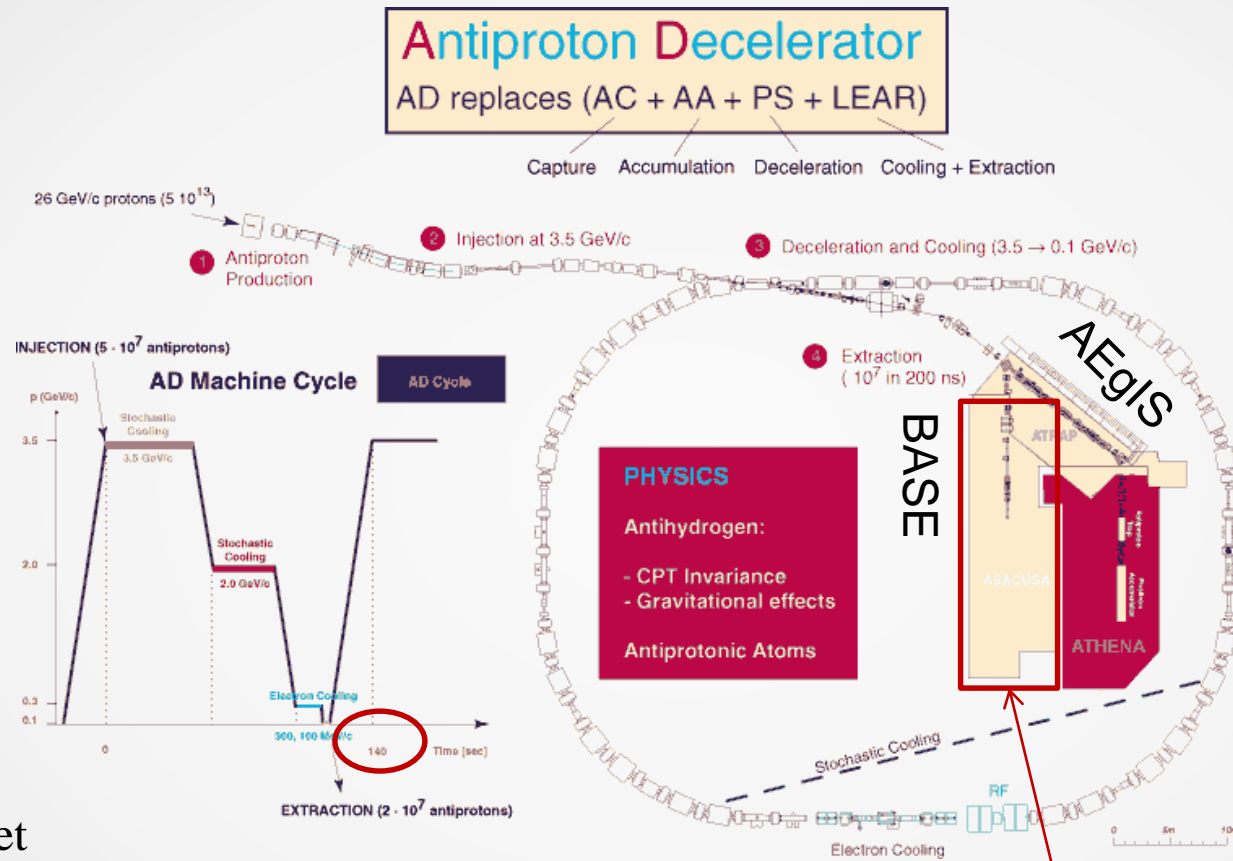
→ LFS x 50 !!

→ HFS suppressed to 1/100

3) Interaction time with u-wave radiation in the cavity

4) Longer TOF -> lower n-state

Antiproton creation (AD)

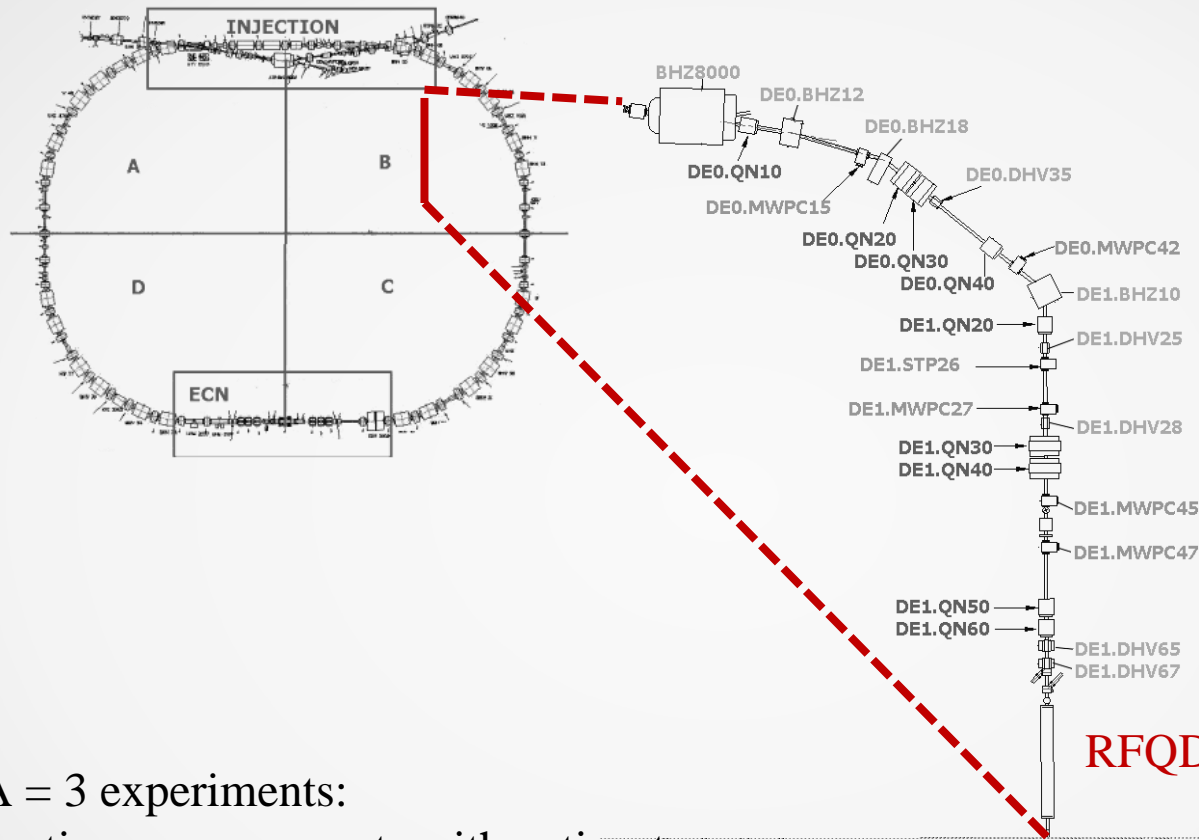


Production target

- 1) **3.5 GeV/c** $\sim 5 \times 10^7 \bar{p}$ stochastic cooling
 - 2) **2 GeV/c** stochastic cooling
 - 3) **300 MeV/c** e^- cooling
 - 4) **5.3 MeV** (100 MeV/c) e^- cooling
- $\sim 10^7 \bar{p}$ pulse from AD (~ 100 s cycle)**
- a) **110 keV** $< 5 \times 10^6$ pbar with RFQD

ASACUSA area

ASACUSA collaboration:



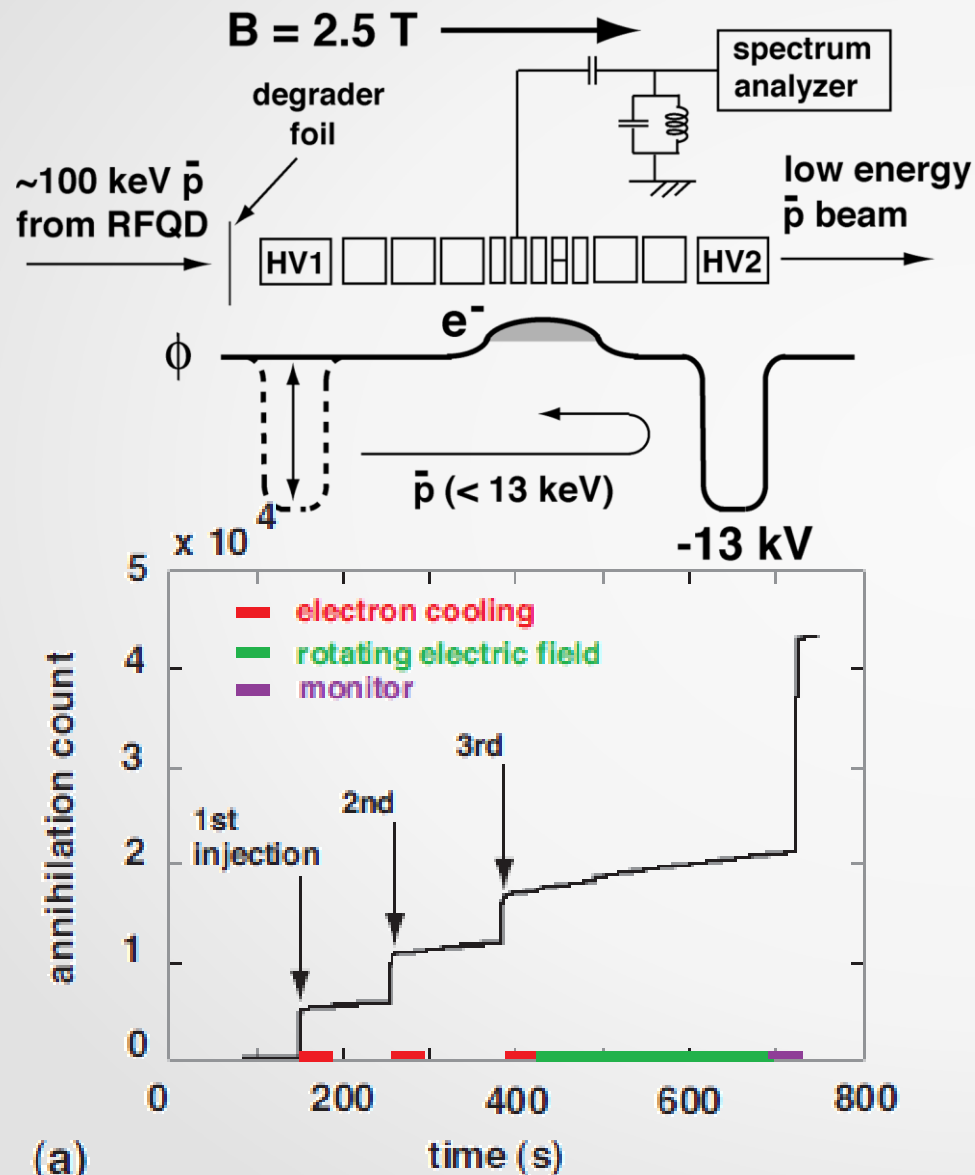
RFQD: 200 MHz / 1.1 MW

ASACUSA = 3 experiments:

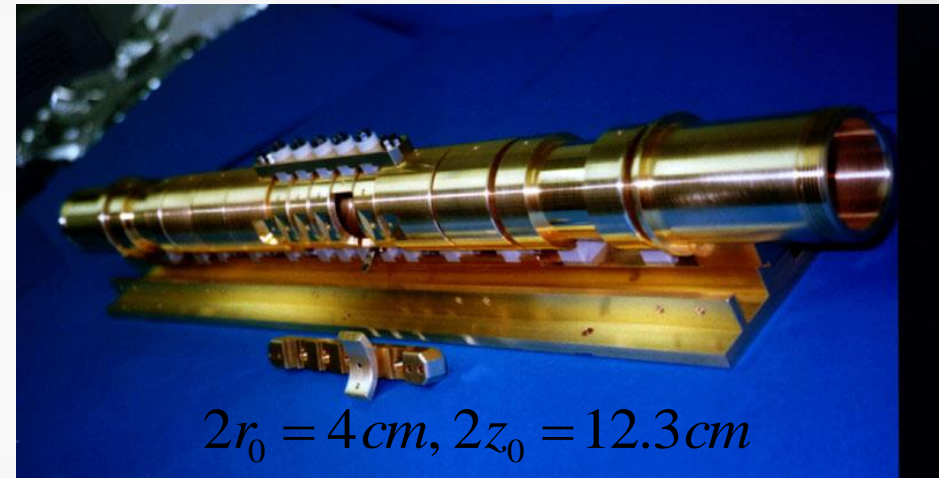
- 1) Cross section measurements with antiprotons
 - 2) \bar{p} -Helium
 - 3) Antihydrogen: ASACUSA-CUSP experiment
- > 3 months/experiment

5-50 times more \bar{p} /AD cycle compared to other AD experiments

Antiproton accumulator + buncher (MUSASHI trap)



< 13 keV pbar confined in the trap
 10^6 \bar{p} / AD shot

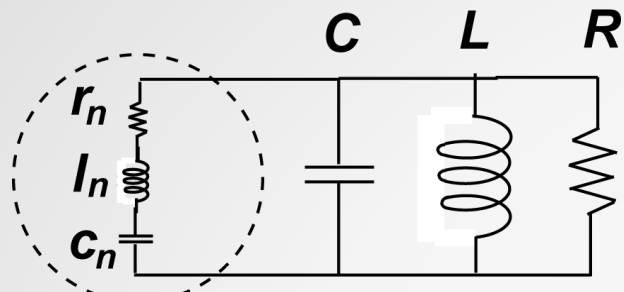


Sympathetically cooled with 3×10^8 e^- s

A rotating wall electric field is superimposed on the trap ring electrodes to control the \bar{p} density

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Resonant detection of antiproton number ~ Schottky pickup



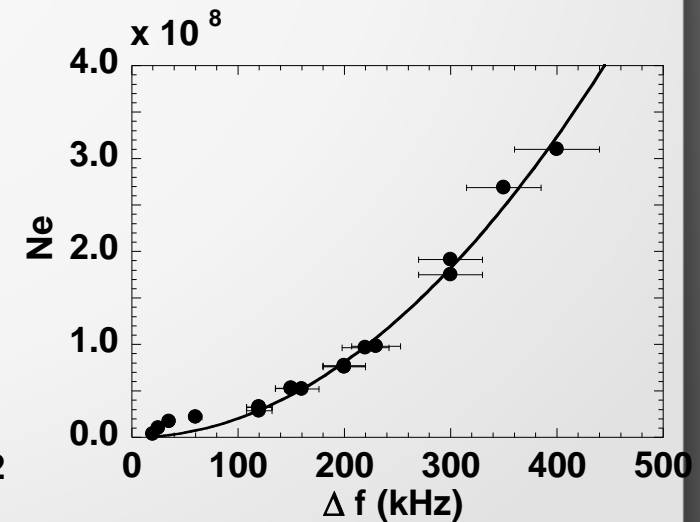
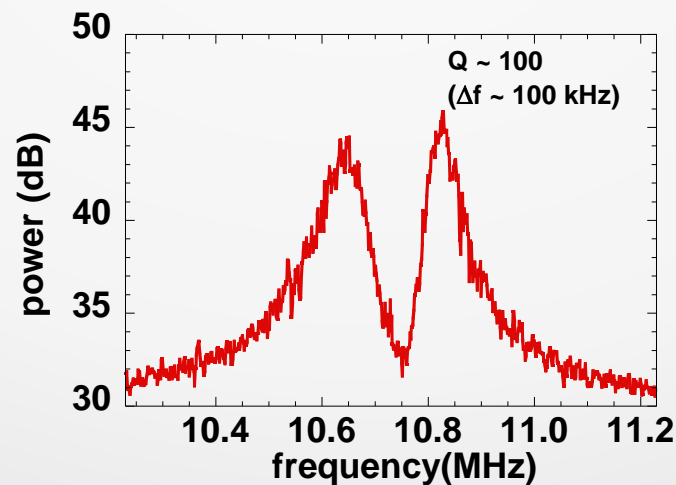
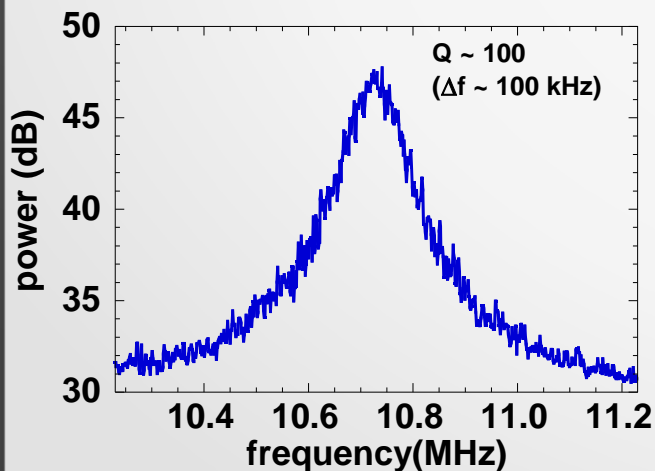
Particle moves axially in a harmonic well. Connect a resonant LC circuit to it to monitor the number density.
 Particles effectively short the noise to ground.

$$V = l_s \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{c_s} \int i dt + r_s i$$

$$I = ni, l_n = l_s / n, c_n = c_s n, r_n = r_s / n$$

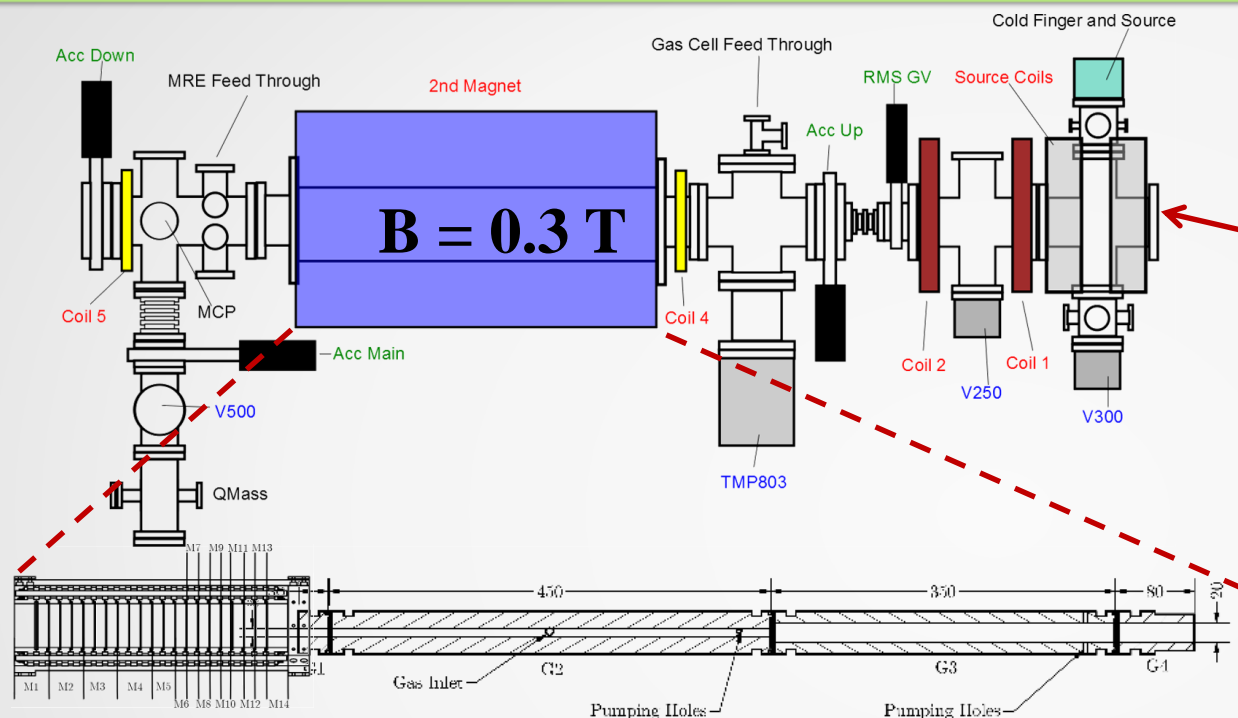
$$l_s = \frac{4mz_0^2}{e^2 d_1^2}, c_s = \frac{e^2 d_1^2}{4m\omega_z^2 z_0^2}, r_s = \frac{4\gamma m z_0^2}{e^2 d_1^2}$$

$$n \propto |(\Delta f)^2|$$



[7] D. J. Wineland and H. G. Dehmelt, *J. Appl. Phys.* **46**, 919 (1975) [8]: X.Feng, M.Charlton, M.Holtzscheiter, *et al.*, *J. Appl. Phys.* **79**, 8 (1996)

Positron trap



$^{22}\text{Na } \beta^+$ source (1.7 GBq) +
RGS (Rare gas moderator)
= $2.3e^6$ e+/s

N_2 pressure section

MRE trap + RW electrode

Gas cell: **Positrons** interact with N_2 and CF_4 and excite discrete, rotational and vibrational states of CF_4 and N_2 losing energy in this process.

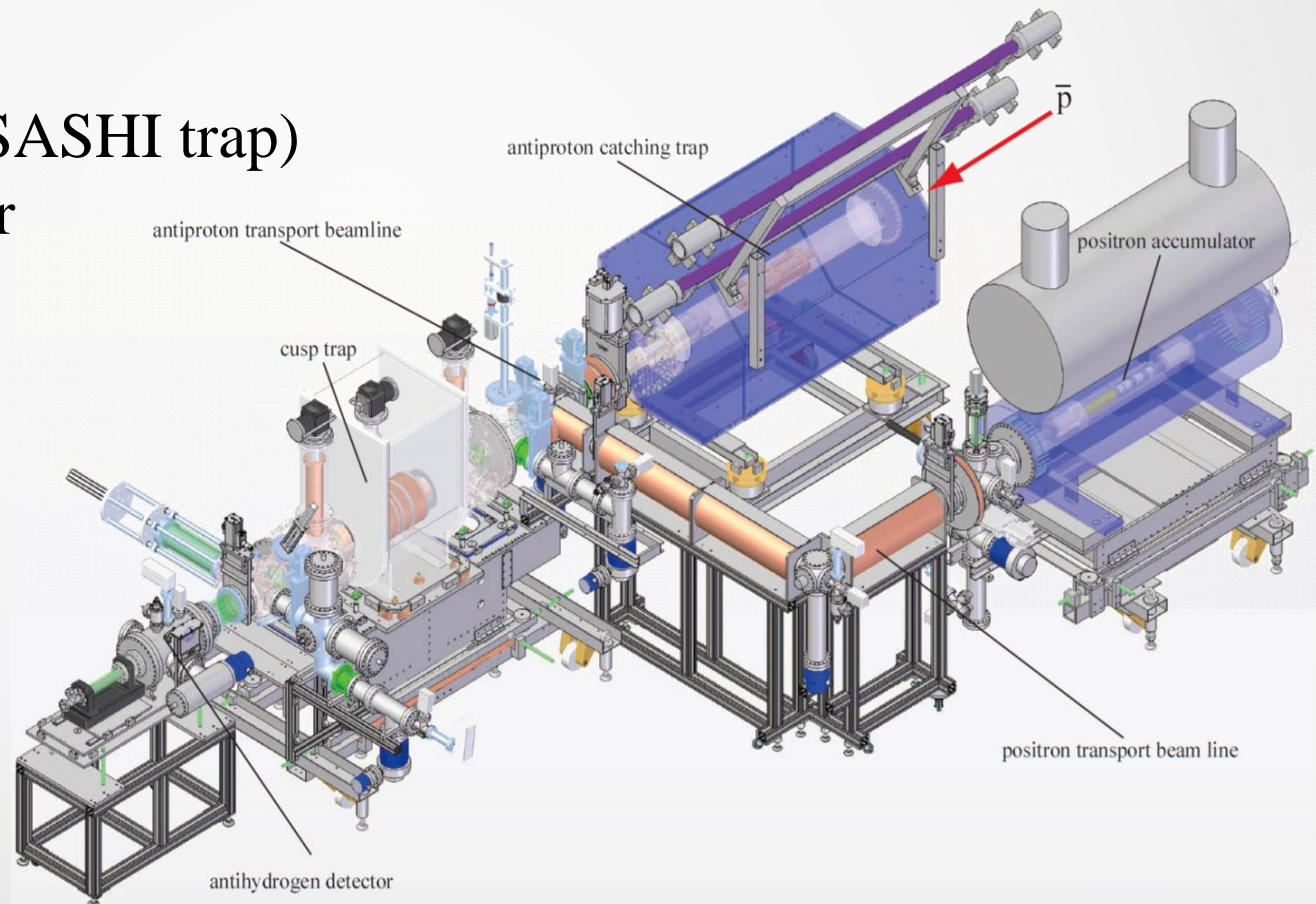
Tuning of gas cell (1V range) potentials according to competition with the positronium formation cross-section (=loss mechanism)

10^6 e+/15s

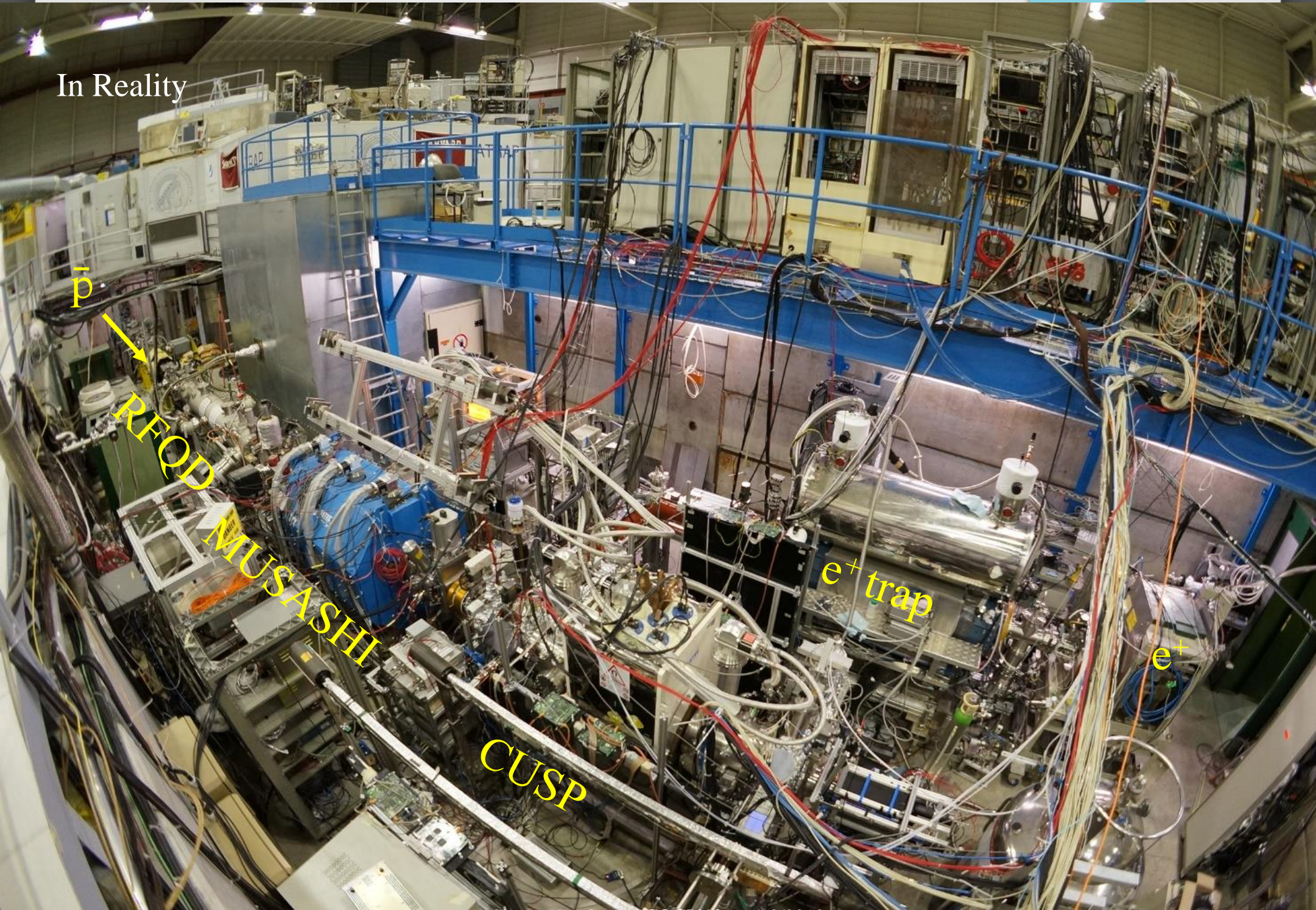
From 5.3 MeV \bar{p} to sub eV \bar{H} : the ingredients!

We need antihydrogen \rightarrow has to be synthesized first

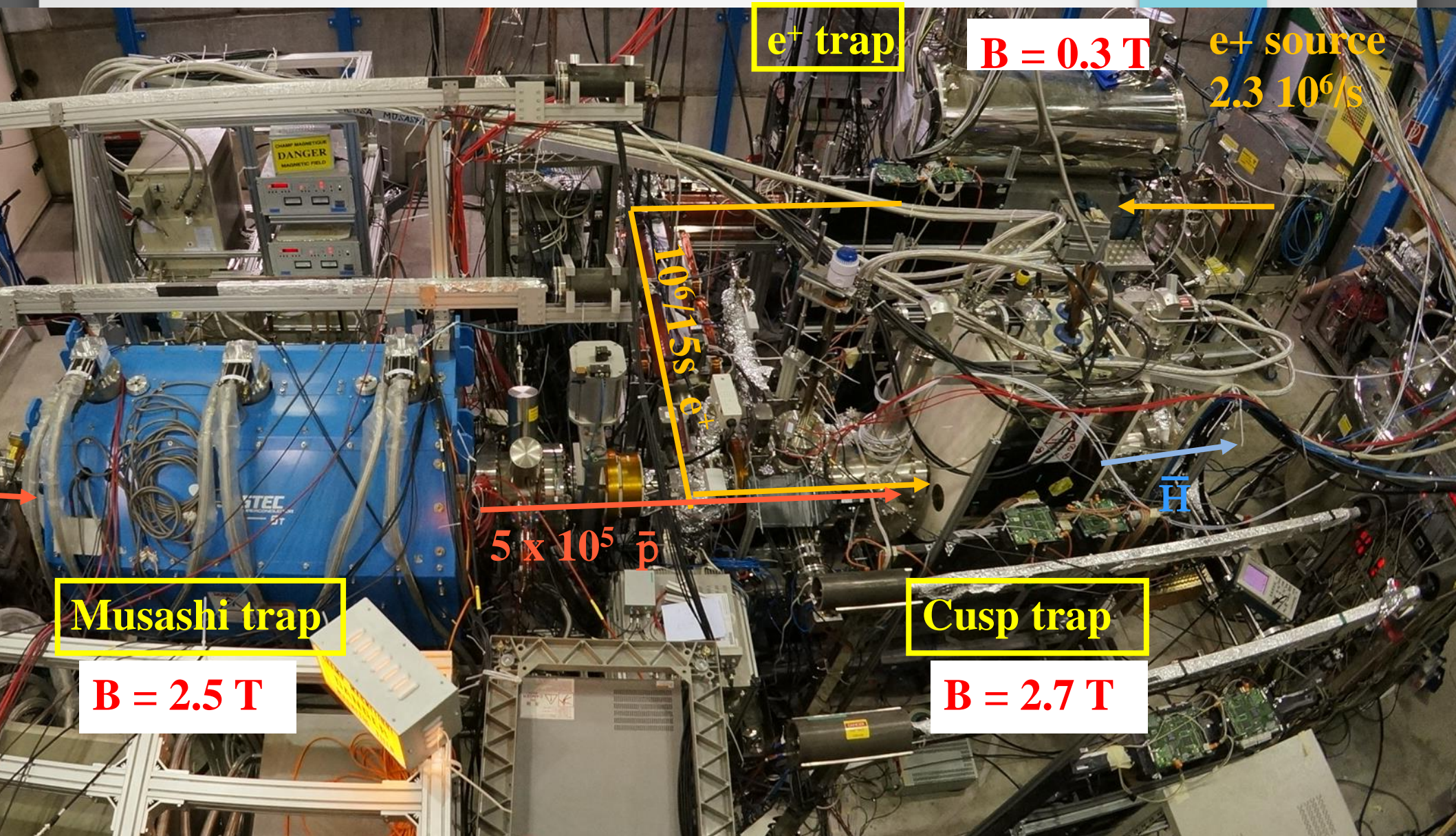
- 1) \bar{P} accumulator (MUSASHI trap)
- 2) Positron accumulator
- 3) CUSP trap
- 4) Spin flip cavity
- 5) Sextupole Magnet
- 6) Detectors



In Reality



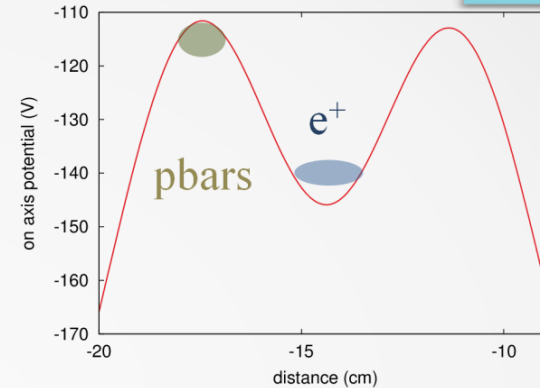
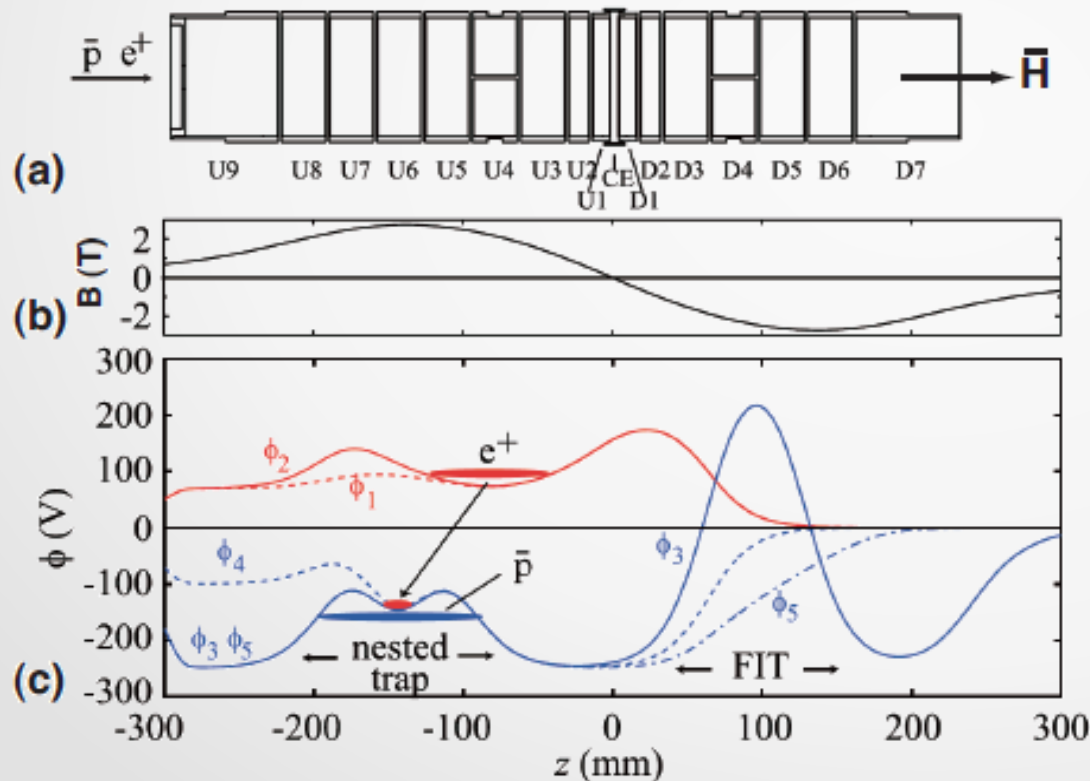
Experiment layout



How to create antihydrogen ?

Recipe

- 1) Load positrons ($6 \times 10^6 e^+$ /30 shots)
- 2) Bring positrons in a nested potential
- 3) Inject antiprotons (5×10^5)



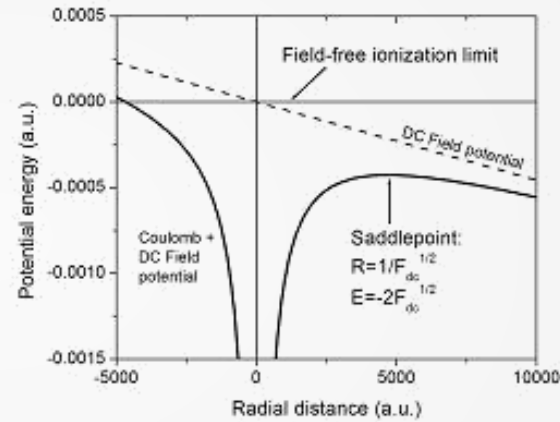
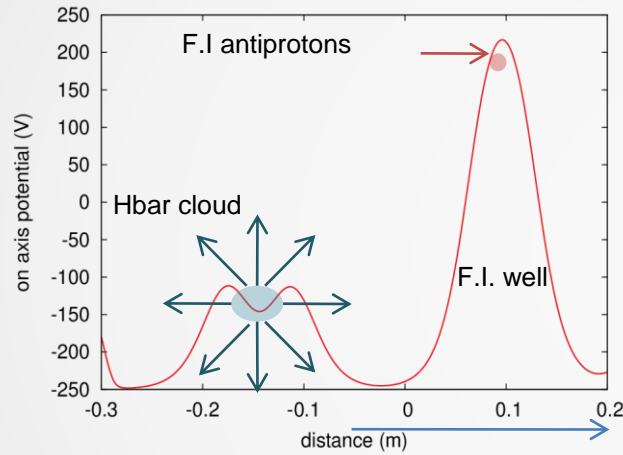
Antihydrogen production rate
 Stops after ~ 10 s since:

- 1) \bar{P} cools down with secondary e^- s from \bar{p} annihilations
- 2) \bar{P} loses energy from scattering in e^+ cloud

\rightarrow \bar{p} cloud axially separated from e^+ cloud \rightarrow no \bar{H} formation

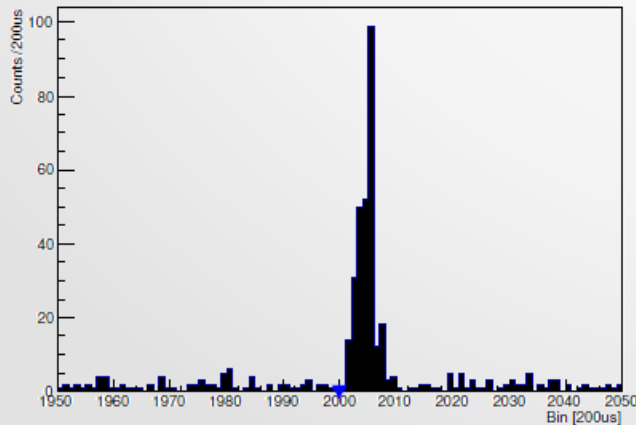
Detection of Antihydrogen

- 1) Neutral \bar{H} escapes from trap
- 2) Apply **field ionization** well \rightarrow strip positron, catch \bar{p}
- 3) Release field ionization well



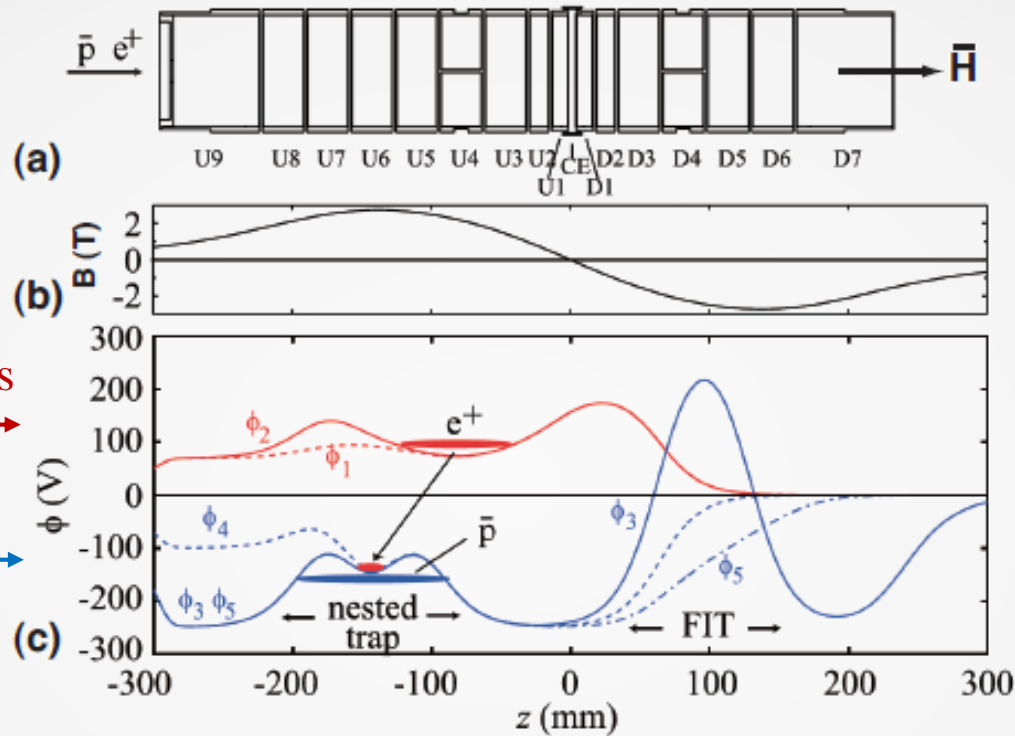
$$F = \frac{3.2 \cdot 10^8}{n^4} V/cm$$

Scintillator module counts (sum up 15 dumps) #2299



Result after release
 No peak without positrons
 Clear indication for production of \bar{H}

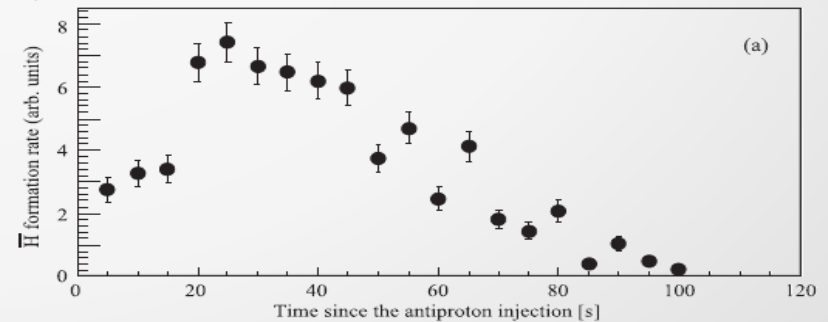
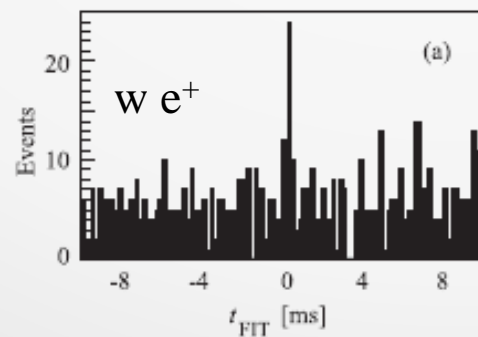
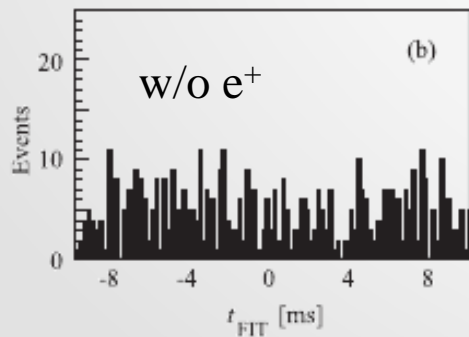
Antihydrogen production in 2010



Direct injection of Antiprotons to mix With positrons

$6 \times 10^6 e^+ / 30$ shots

$5 \times 10^5 \bar{p} - 5$ AD shots

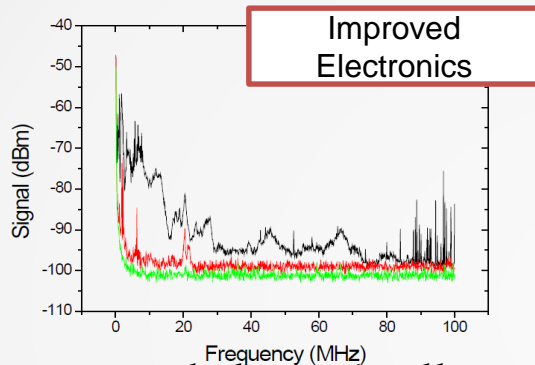


First \bar{H} results! Proof of principle of the CUSP field

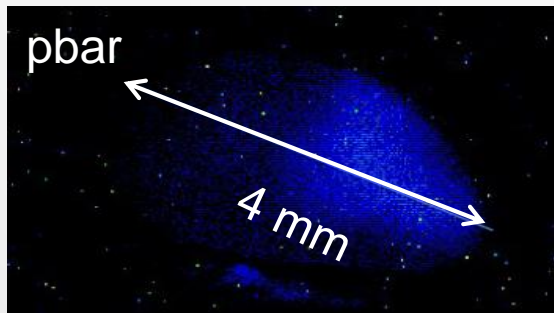
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Improvements since 2010

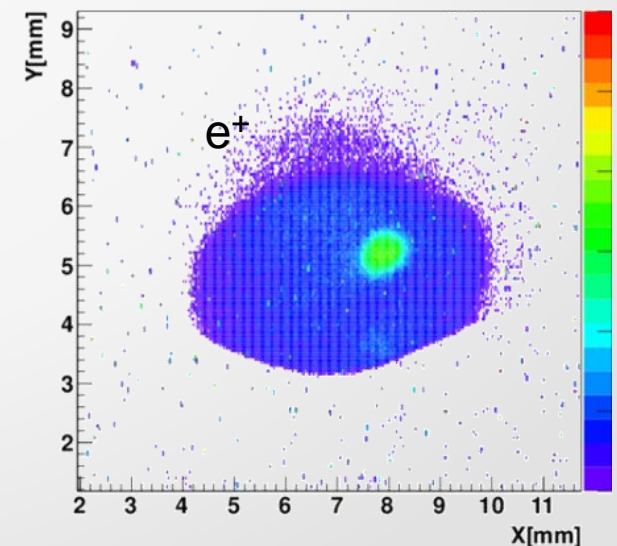
- 1) Better thermal contact (MRE: 18.5 K \rightarrow 12 K)
- 2) Extra aperture ($\varnothing = 50$ mm) to reduce thermal radiation
- 3) Electronic noise filters for the CUSP



- 4) Second RW segmented electrode allowed direct \bar{p} compression (100 kHz \rightarrow 200 kHz in 200 s)



- 5) Rare Gas moderator for positrons 60 million e^+ in 45 minutes (factor 15-20 improvement)
- 6) New \bar{H} detector
- 7) ...



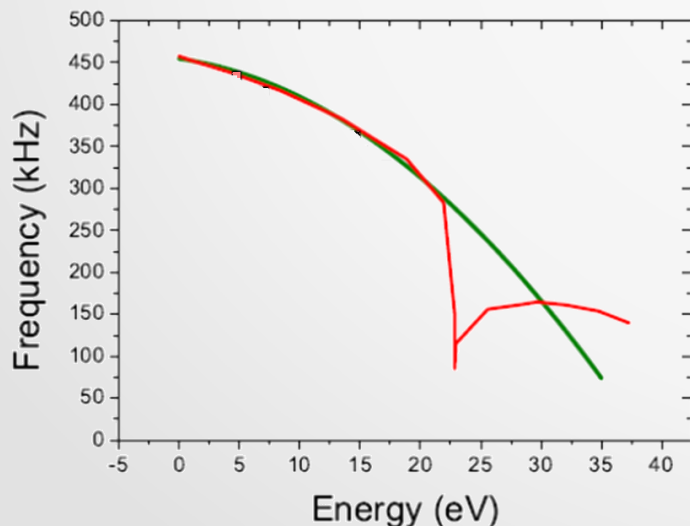
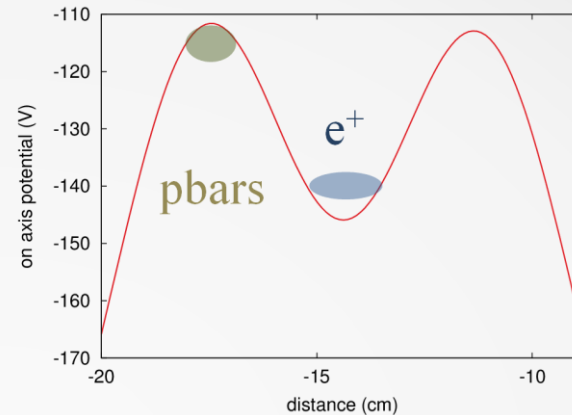
How to improve on the \bar{H} yield? \rightarrow Autoresonant (AR) Excitation

Sweep the axial frequency to catch pbars and “park” them into e^+ cloud

Note: E_{kin} is unaffected

Potential
$$\phi(z) = V_0 \sum_{k=0} C_k z^k$$

Axial Frequency Scaling
$$\frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{C_4}{C_2^2} + \frac{5 C_6}{4 C_2^3} \frac{E_z}{qV_0} \right) \frac{\omega_p}{qV_0}$$

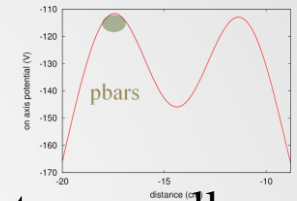
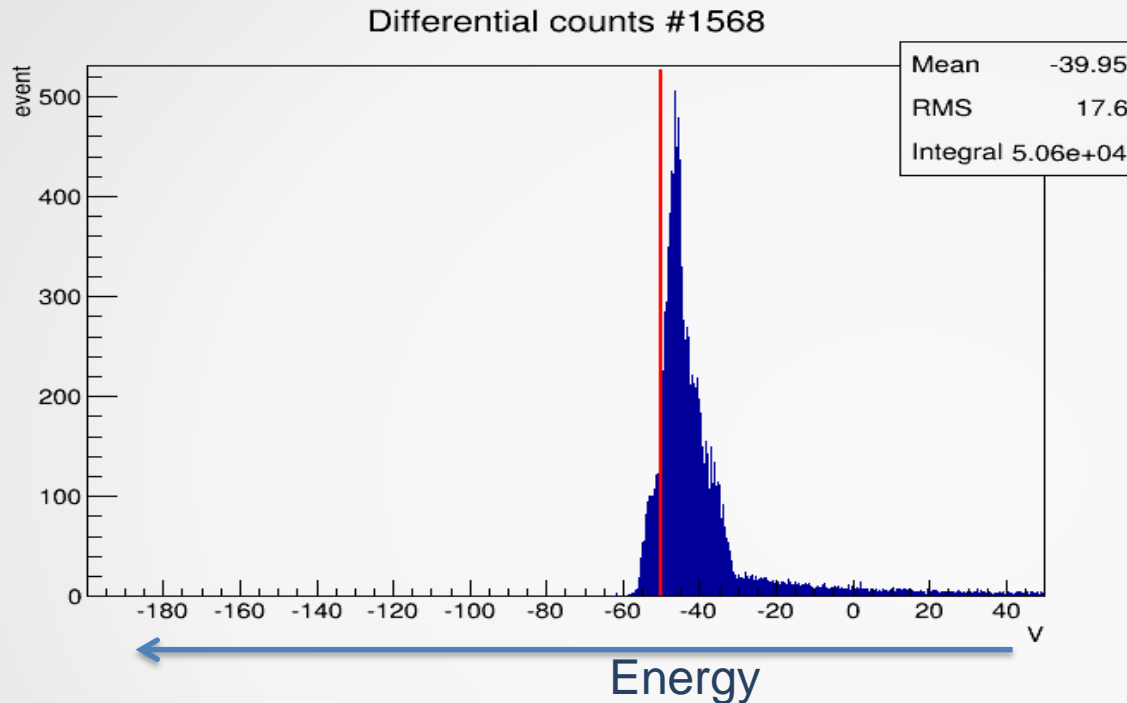


Exciting the particles as by a swept rf with a certain stop frequency: **Definition of interaction energy**

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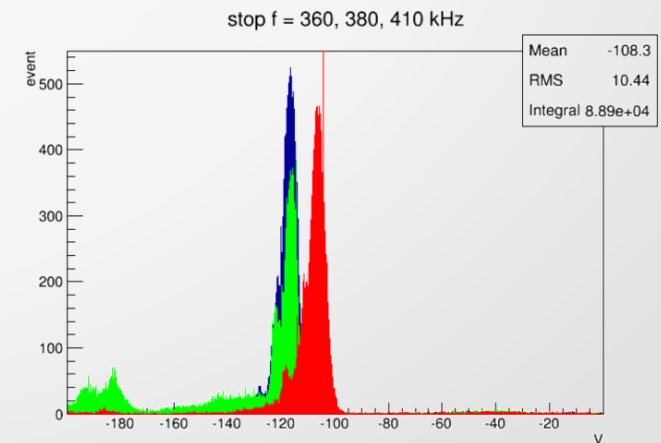
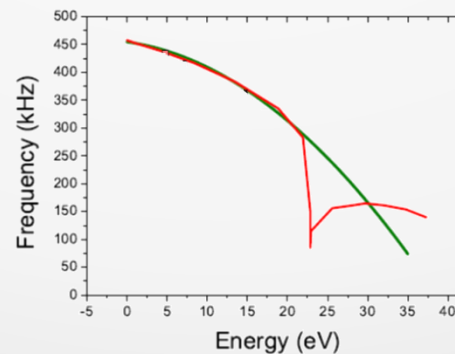
Autoresonance excitation (II)



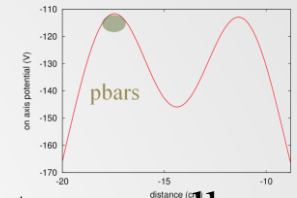
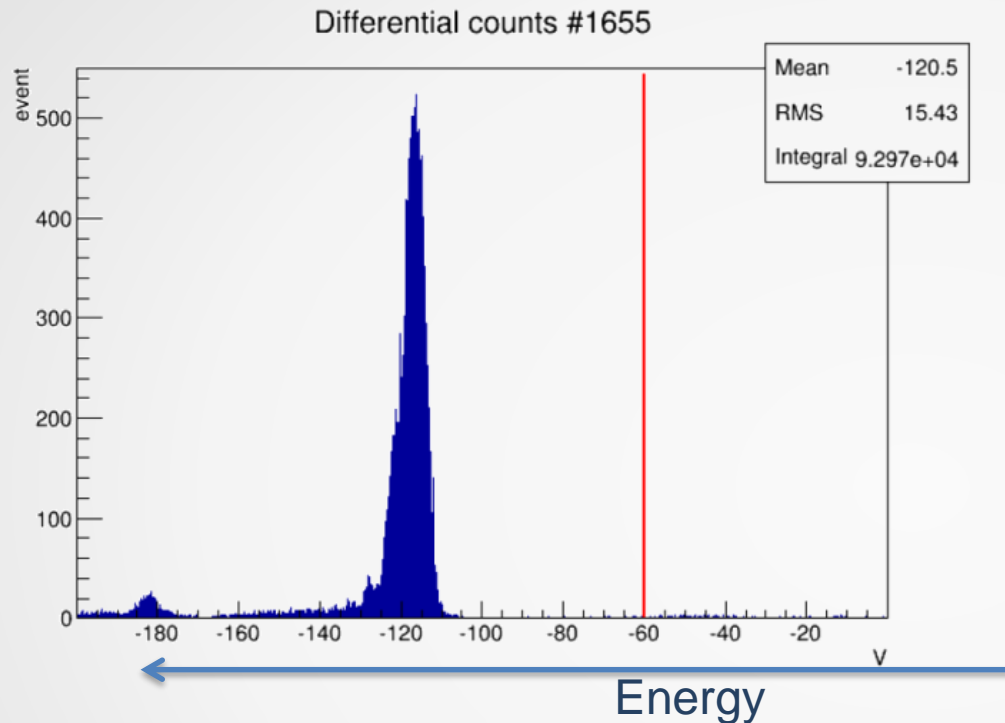
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AR recipe

- 1) e^- cooling (30s)
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- 3) \bar{p} compression
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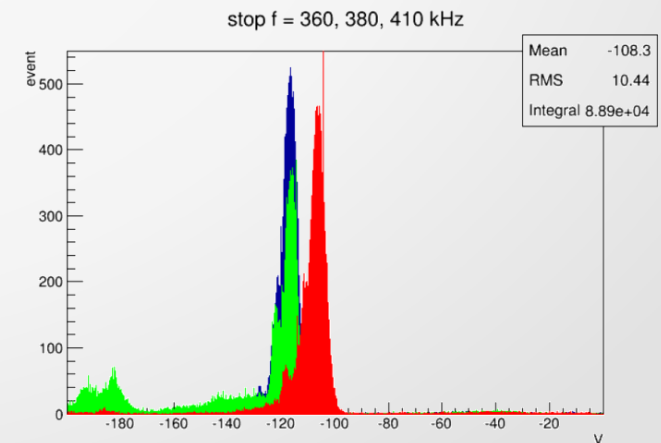
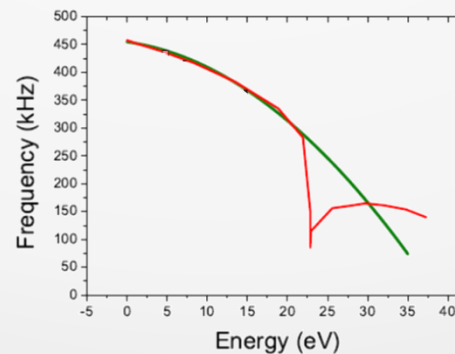
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Summary

Production of antihydrogen demonstrated.
Several major improvements resulted in a higher antihydrogen yield ...

Analysis of the 2012 data is being finalized and results will be presented soon !

Stay tuned!

Thank you + Special thanks to the AD operators/... for their support and \bar{p}

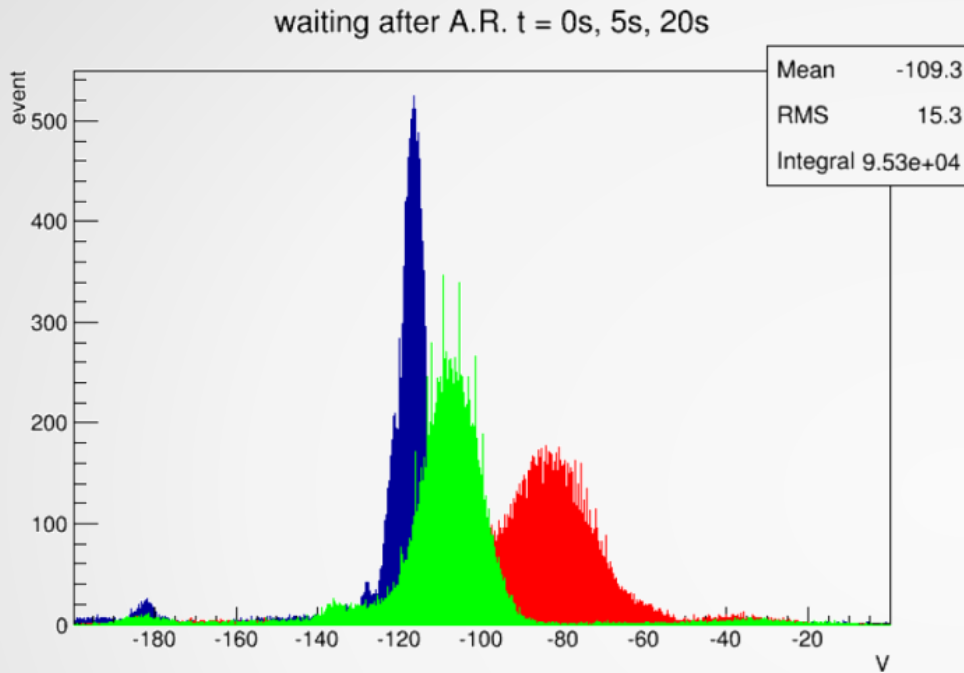


Antiproton trap
Positron trap
CUSP trap
 \bar{H} detector
CUSP detectors
SMI cavity
+sextupole
+ hodoscope

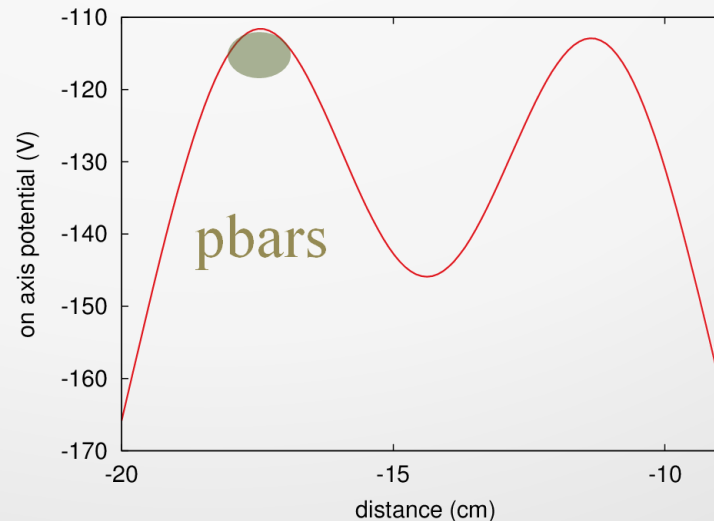
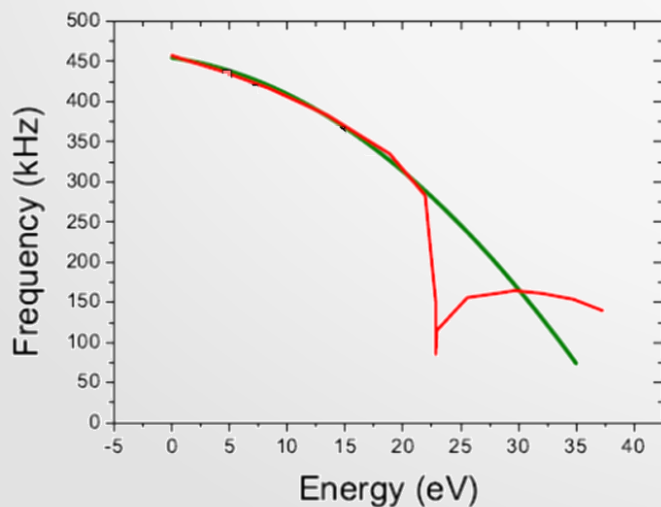
The boss

Backup slides

A.R. : wait time after A.R.

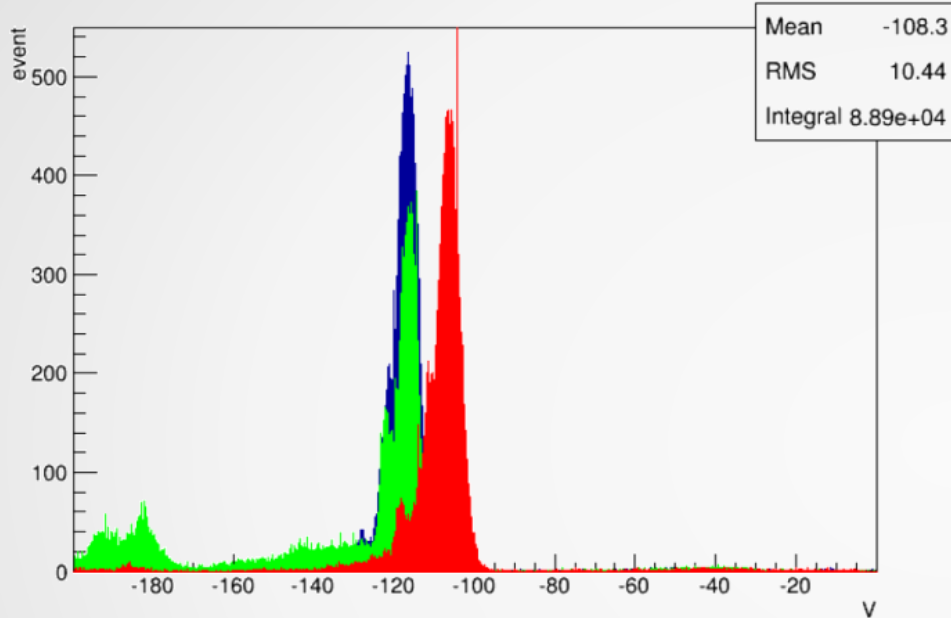


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targeted slightly lower than the level of e^+
Well. wait: 0 s, 5 s, 20 s after AR
 \rightarrow Pbars cool again and fall again in the well



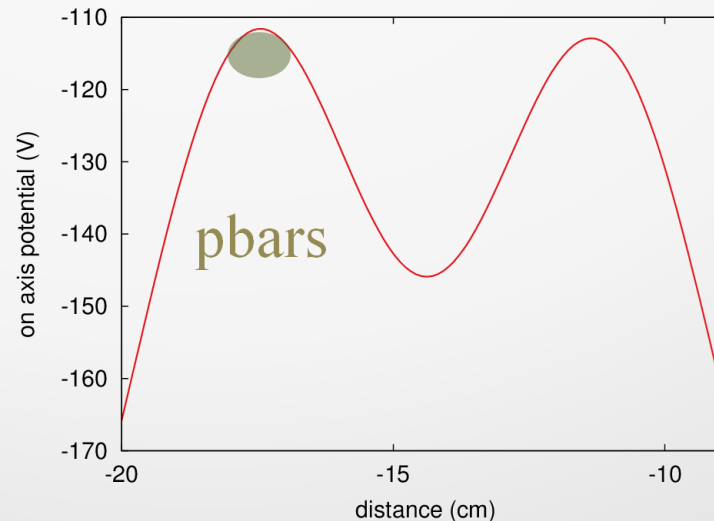
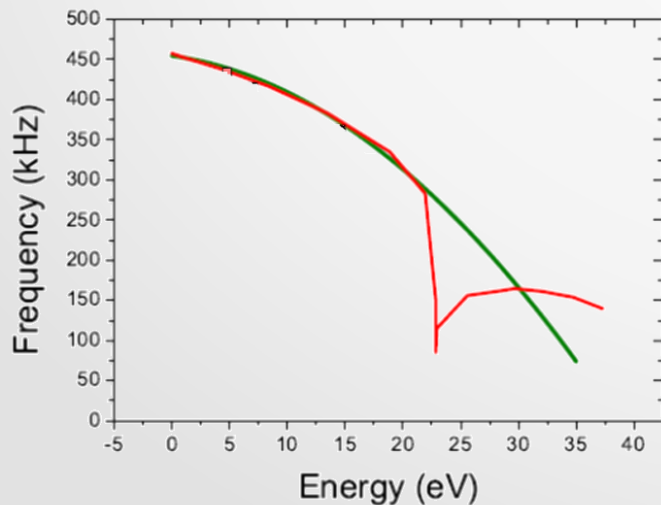
A.R.

stop $f = 360, 380, 410$ kHz



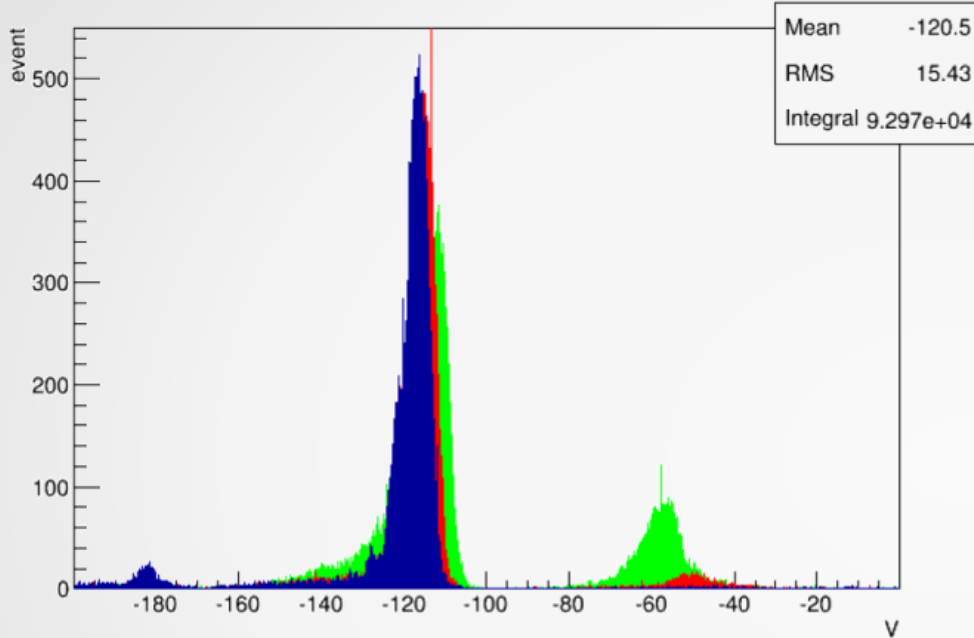
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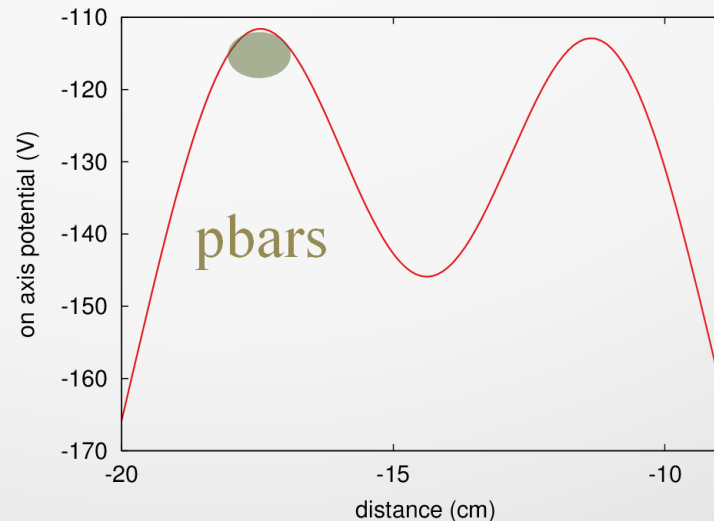
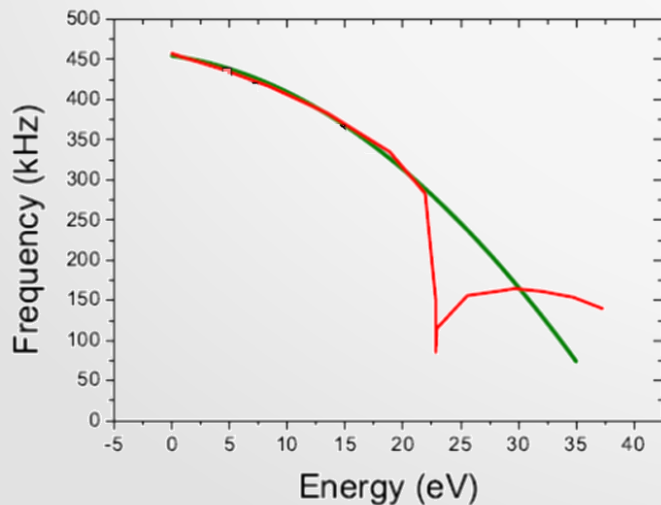
A.R. : change start frequency

Start f = 490, 530, 600 kHz

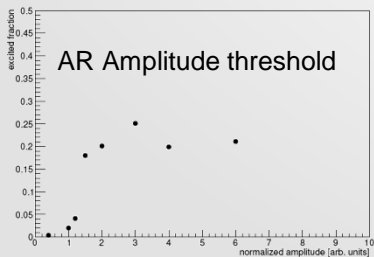
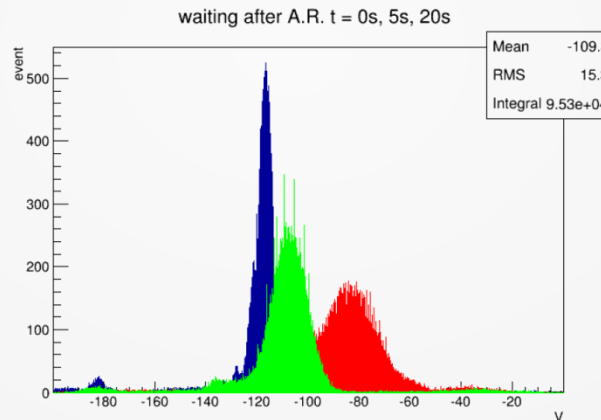
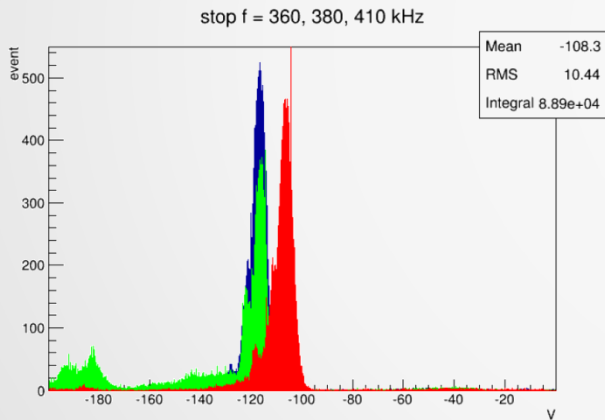
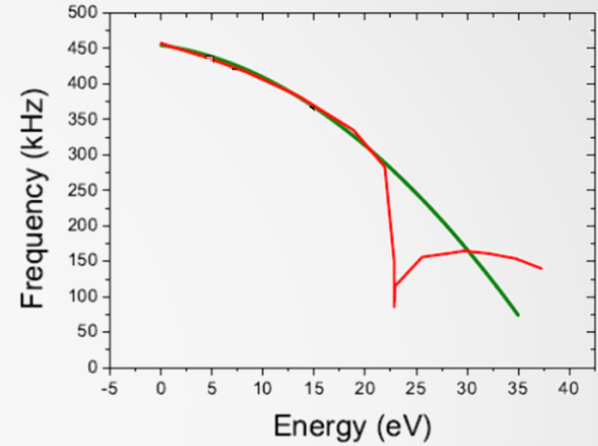
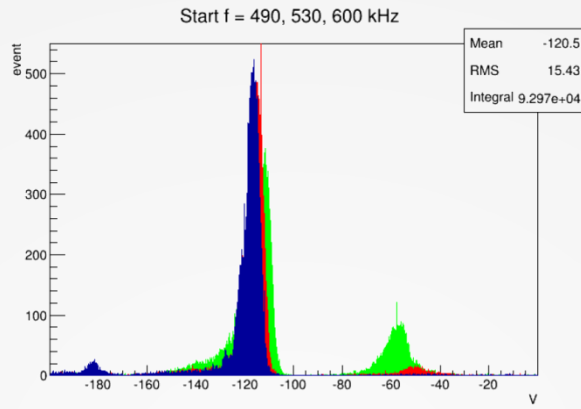
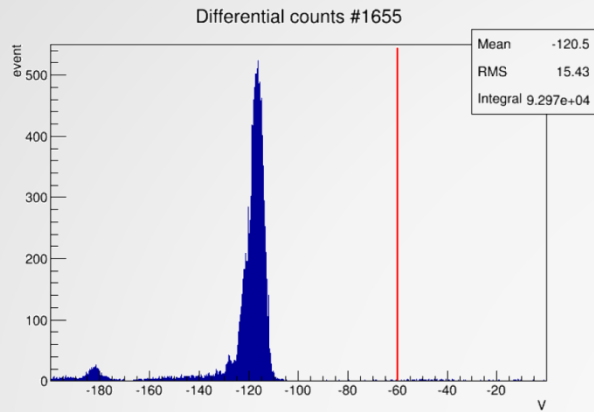


AR recipe

- 1) e⁻ cooling (30s)
- 2) e⁻ kickout
- 3) Pbar compression
(100 -> 250 kHz, 200s, 10 V
+ 220 kHz, 200 s, 10 V)
- 4) AR: $f \rightarrow 380$ kHz, 22 ms, 4 V
scanned start frequency $f = 490, 530, 600$ kHz

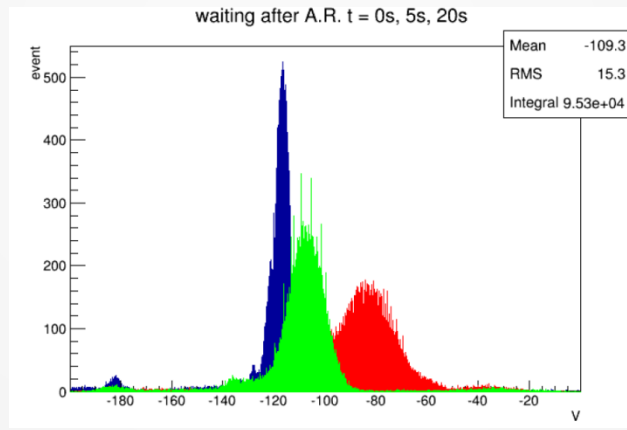
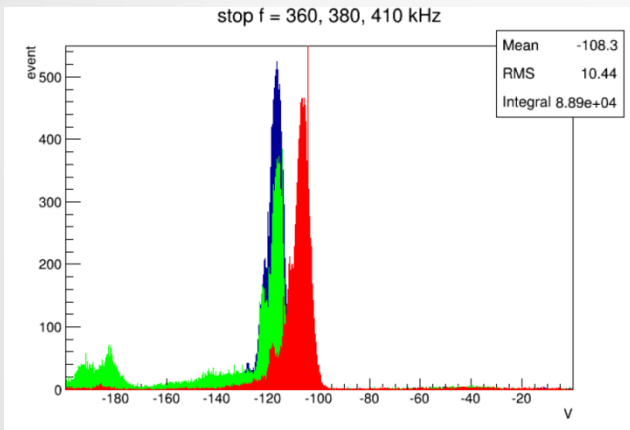
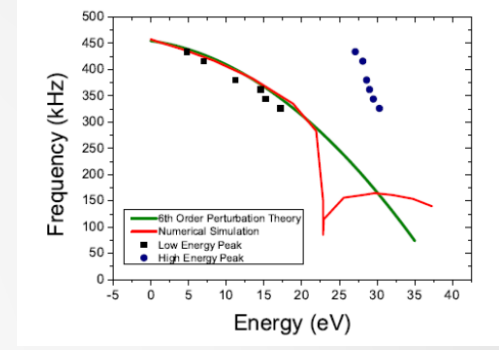
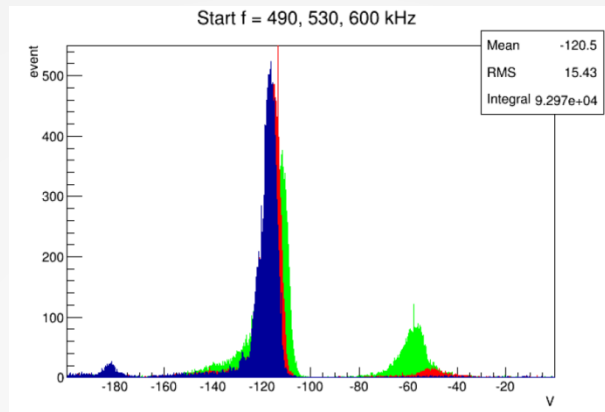
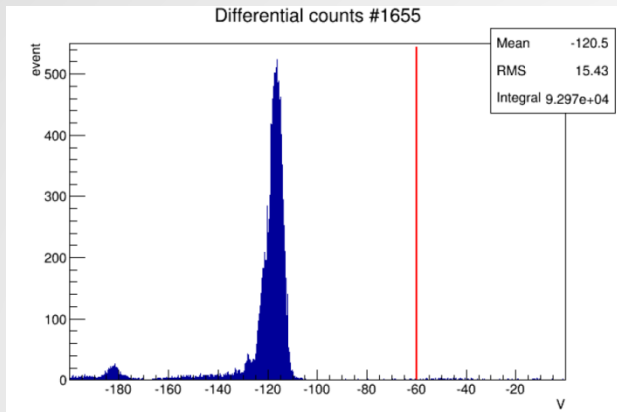


A.R is understood.



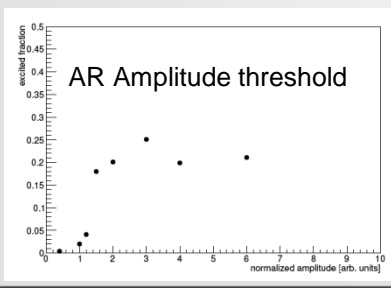
AR works as expected theoretically and is a tool that can be used to produce \bar{H}

A.R.



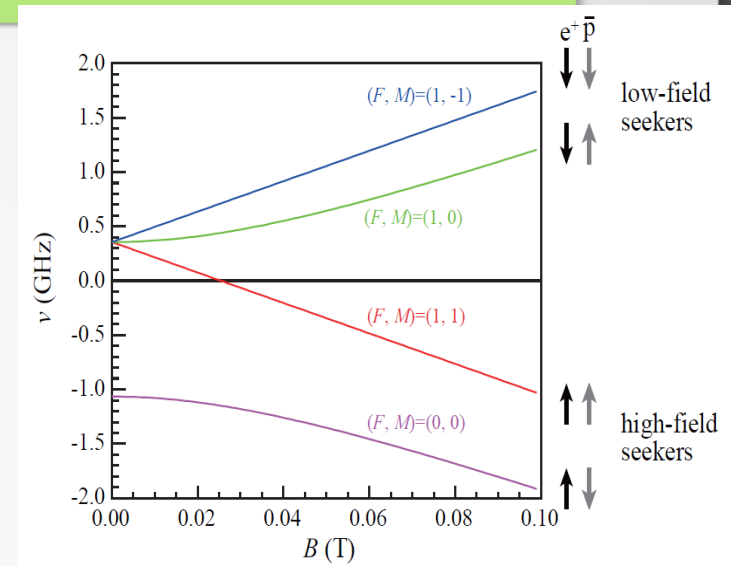
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Observations: as expected!



Spectroscopy

□ 1.420 405 751 766 7(9) GHz



□ Correction: QED and proton/antiproton structure – level 10^{-6} .

□ high precision proton g-factor measurement: constraints on antiproton

□ We aim at 10^{-6} or better.

Limitations

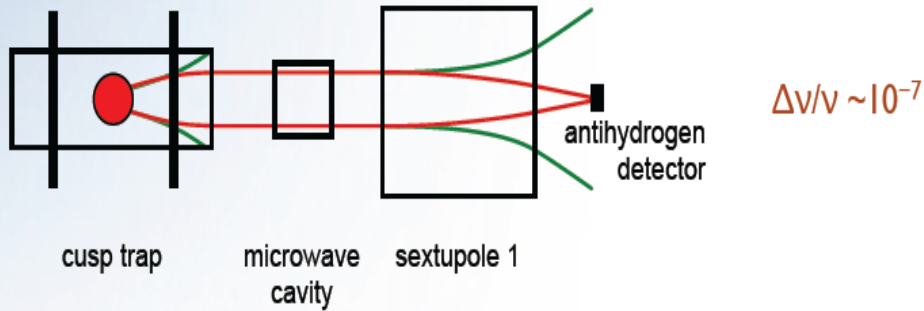
What limits the resolution of a Rabi type experiment?

- 1.) TOF
- 2.) Magnetic field homogeneity
- 3.) ...thus beam profile

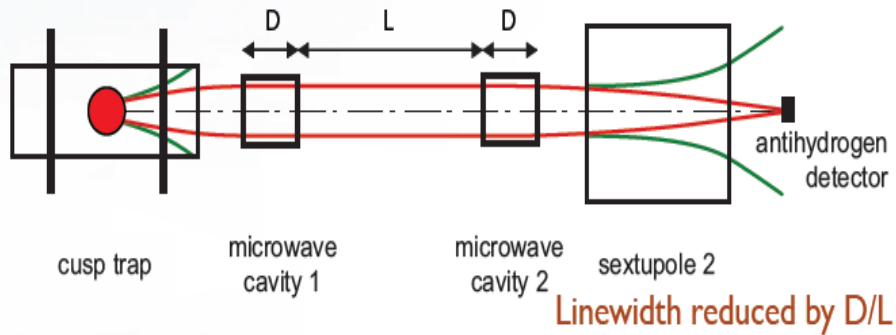
Experiment: Just limited by TOF (averaging over inhomogeneity) which can be arbitrarily long (

Proposals to measure more precisely

• Phase I (ongoing): Rabi method

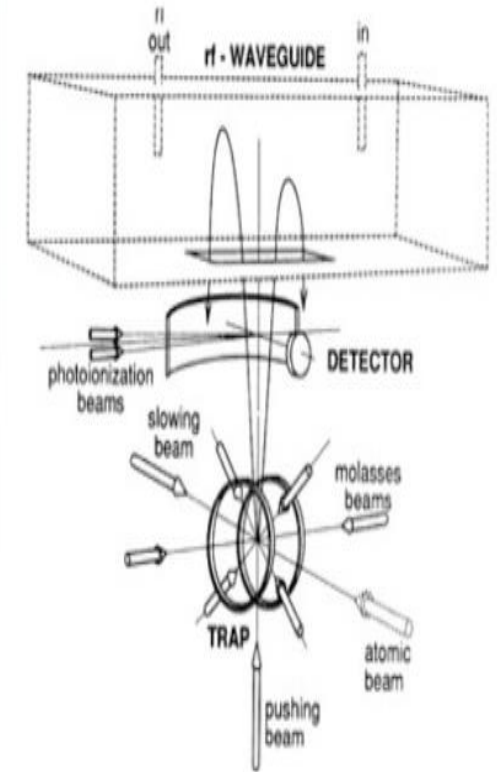


• Phase 2: Ramsey separated oscillatory fields



• Phase 3: trapped H^{bar}

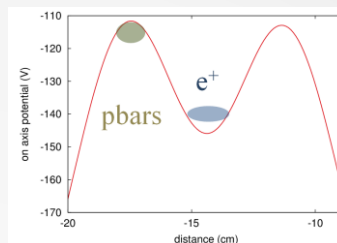
- Hyperfine spectroscopy in an atomic fountain of antihydrogen
- needs trapping and laser cooling outside of formation magnet
- slow beam & capture in measurement trap
- Ramsey method with $d=1\text{m}$
- $\Delta f \sim 3\text{ Hz}$, $\Delta f/f \sim 2 \times 10^{-9}$



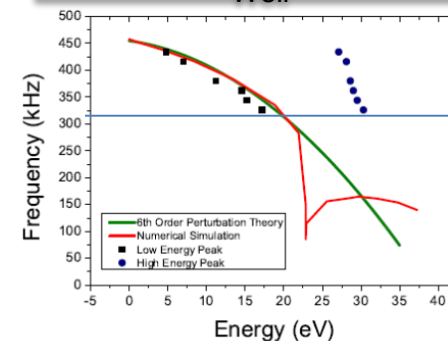
Far Future !

RF Assisted Direct Injection

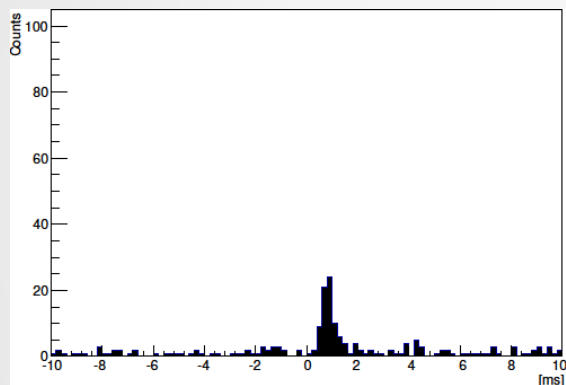
- 1) $40 \times 10^6 e^+ / 5 \times 10^5$ pbars
- 2) Inject directly from MUSASHI trap
- 3) Apply RF during interaction



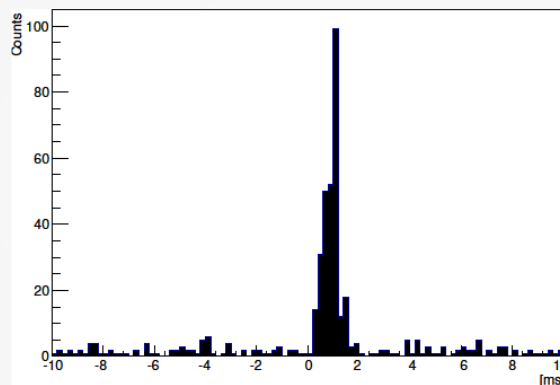
Frequency Scaling in Nested Well



No RF

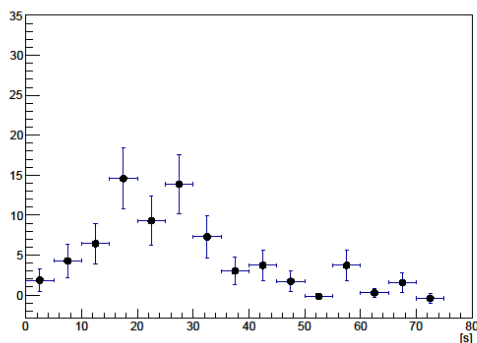


+ RF

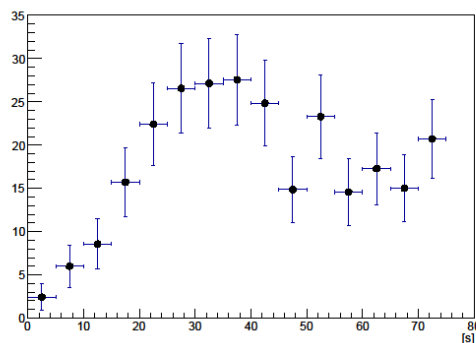


4 fold improvement in Hbar counts

Field Ionized \bar{H}



Field Ionized \bar{H}



Hbar production continues after 30 seconds

Produced encouraging results – further evaluation in progress

How to produce Specifications

positron

^{22}Na

(<100keV, ~10⁹ /s)

W moderator, N₂buffer gas

(<3 eV, ~10⁶ /s)

Pre-accumulator

(130eV, 2 x 10⁵ /30s)

antiproton (pbar)

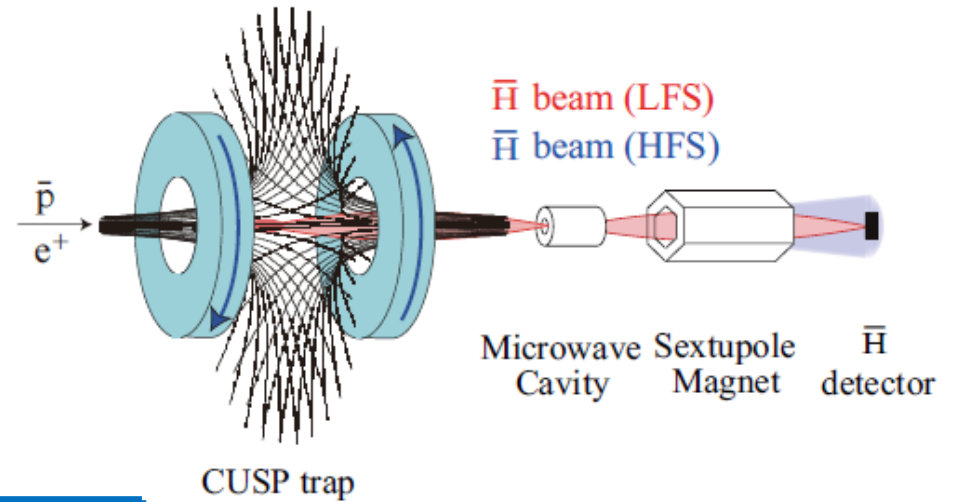
CERN PS (3.5GeV/c, 5 x 10⁷)

AD (5MeV, 10⁷)

RFQD (100keV, 5 x 10⁶)

MUSASHI

(150eV, 5 x 10⁵)

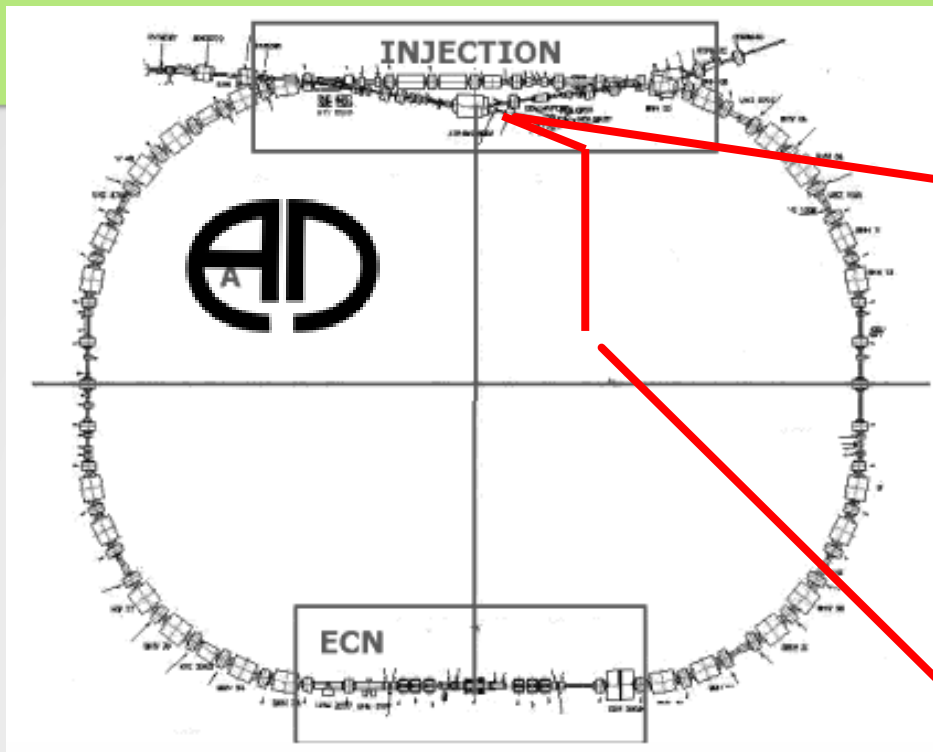


CUSP trap

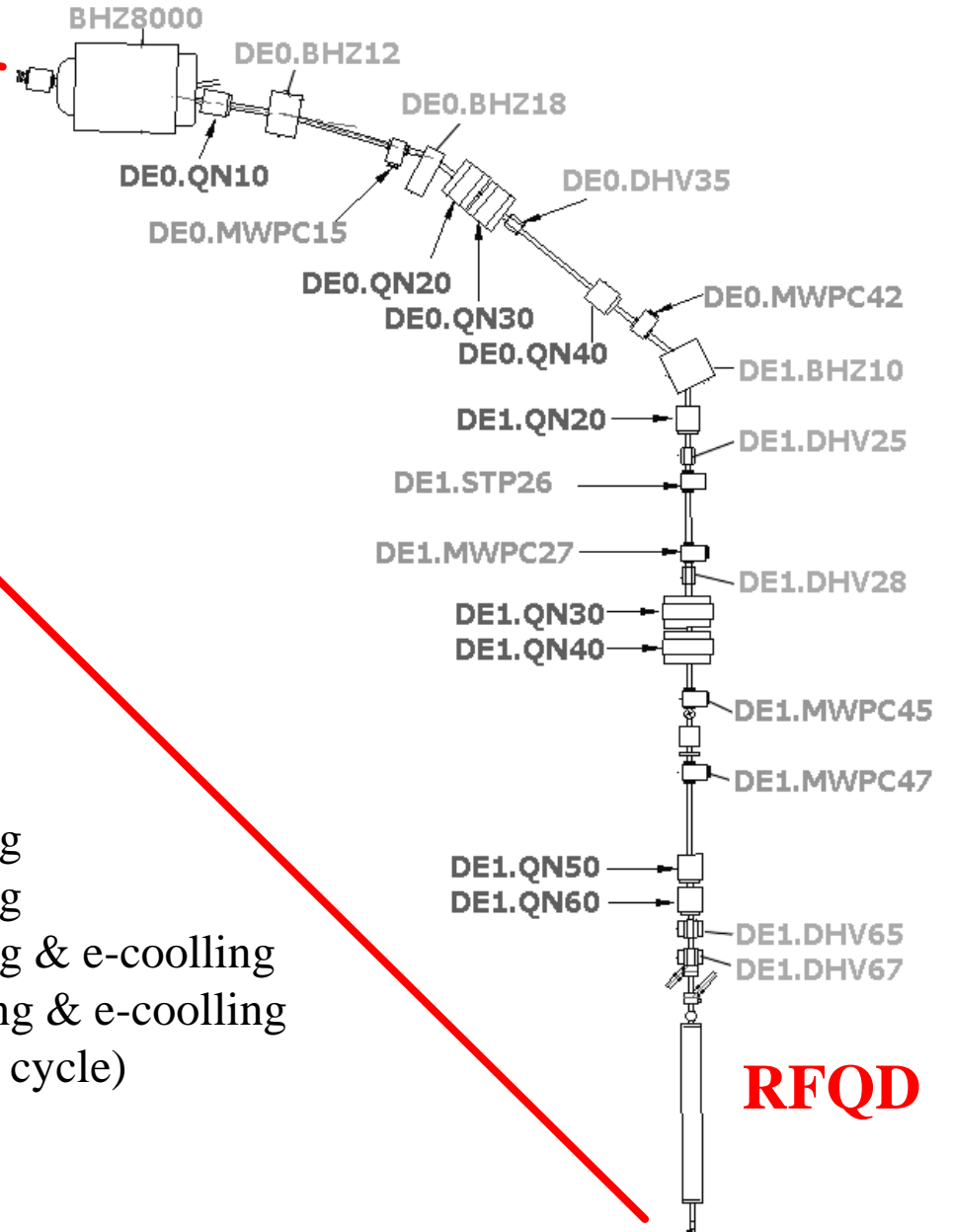
6 x 10⁶ positron
(<0.1eV, ne+~10⁸cm⁻³)

3 x 10⁵ pbar
(< 20 eV)

Low energy anti-proton beams (AD to RFQD)

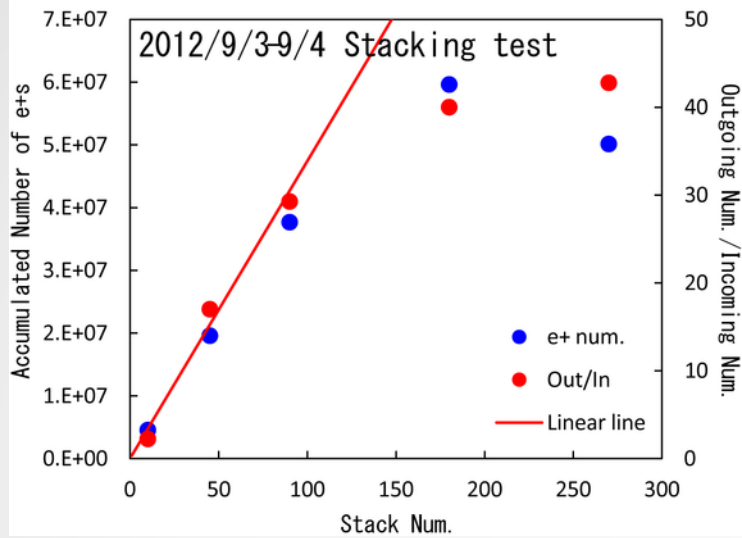


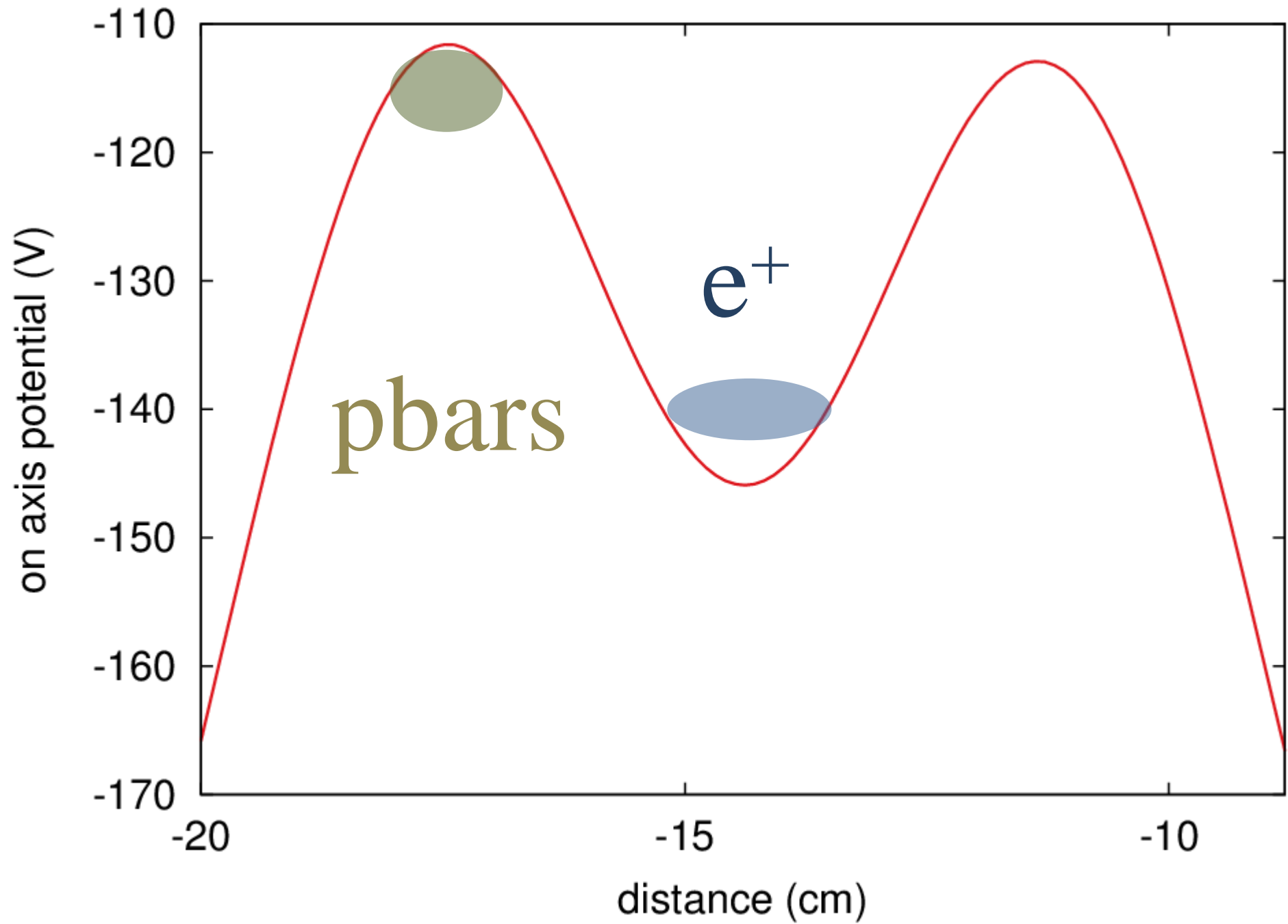
ASACUSA extraction line



Production target

- 3.5 GeV/c $\sim 5 \times 10^7$ pbar stochastic cooling
- 2 GeV/c stochastic cooling
- 300 MeV/c stochastic cooling & e-cooling
- 100 MeV/c (~ 5 MeV) stochastic cooling & e-cooling
- ~ 10^7 pbar pulse from AD (~ 100 s cycle)
- **100 keV $< 5 \times 10^6$ pbar with RFQD**





How to produce \bar{H} (Low energy antiproton beam)

Tank circuit signal with 3AD shot accumulated in MUSASHI

