# The status of the GBAR experiment

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## **Introduction : Antimatter**



- In 1928, solution of Dirac equation with negative energy predicts antimatter and the antimatter is experimentally confirmed in 1932
- Antimatter is partner of matter for CPT reversal, but our universe is matter dominant universe
- Currently measure CP violation is not enough to explain this asymmetry
- Efforts to check CPT symmetry have given by measuring fundamental property of matter and antimatter

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#### Low energy Antiproton beam facility





AD : Only existing facility of low energy  $\overline{p}$  (PANDA at FAIR has higher energy)

- Antiproton Decelerator (AD) + ELENA : Antiproton Factory (for high statistics)
- For precision measurement by Electromagnetic and Gravitational property, **deceleration**, **cooling and trapping** techniques are important
- 26GeV/c proton  $\rightarrow$  3GeV/c antiproton to 0.1GeV/c at AD  $\rightarrow$  5.3MeV(0.1GeV/c) to 100KeV at ELENA

# **GBAR experiment**

GBAR needs to **cool** the anti-atom to  $\sim$ **1neV** (10uK)

- GBAR : Gravitational Behaviour At Rest
- Freefalling antimatter (anti-hydrogen) in terrestrial gravitational field
- + CPT test by measuring atomic structure : Lamb shift measurement
- =Check fundamental interaction between matter & antimatter
- Weak Equivalence Principle(WEP) :

$$m_I = m_G \ (F = m_I a = -G m_G m'_G / r^2)$$

$$m_I = \overline{m_I} (by \ CPT)$$

$$m_G = m_I = \overline{m_I} = ? \overline{m_G}$$

(for matter  $\Delta (m_g/m_i)/(m_g/m_i)_{Be/Ti} = (0.3 \pm 1.8)10^{-13}$ )





#### **GBAR experiment**

Velocity fluctuation	100m/s	3m/s	0.1m/s
Temperature	1K	1mK	1uK



- After dropping one of e<sup>+</sup> (by photo-detachment laser), let the ultra-cold anti-hydrogen freefall.
- Direct measurement of the gravitational acceleration  $(m_H g \sim 10^{-7} eV/m)$  of anti-hydrogen (WEP<sub>ff</sub>) below 1%
- $\overline{H}^+$  is required to get ultra-cold  $\overline{H}$  which can go below 10<sup>-5</sup> precision 26th International Conference on Accelerators and Beam Utilizations

# **Quantum reflection and levitation**



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

Sympathetic Doppler cooling by cooled Be<sup>+</sup> ions (>10,000 laser(313nm) cooled Be<sup>+</sup>/HD<sup>+</sup> ions (Wigner crystal), 100 neV, T~mK by rf heating) (L. Hilico et. al., Int. J. Mod. Phys. Conf. Ser. 30, 1460269 (2014))

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

- 3. Photo detachment and free-fall
- 4. Polarization and Shaping with 0.1% uncertainty for 10,000 event (O.Rousselle et al, Eur. Phys. J. D 76, 209 (2022))

5. Quantum bouncing by Casimir-Polder potential vs Gravitational potential 10<sup>-5</sup> precision (G. Dufour et al., Eur. Phys. J. C (2014) 74: 2731) 2024-11-14 26th International Conference on Accelerators and Beam Utilizations Y (mm

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 $J(m^{-2}s^{-1})$ 

- 2500

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### **GBAR collaboration**

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#### Collaboration :

8countries ,18institutes, 64members

#### Korean team

Senior : 6 Students : 3 (+2 : graduated)

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# **Experiment setup (2022)**



# **Positron beam line**













#### **Antiproton beam line**





#### **GBAR Decelerator**







- 100 keV p pulse 300 ns (1.3 m)
- $4\pi$  mm mrad



- GBAR decelerator
  - Drift tube with –HV with fast-switching when pbar beam is in the tube
  - Higher efficiency and mono-energy expected compared with Degrading foil
  - With 100keV $\rightarrow$ 1keV deceleration, emittance is increased about 10 times



- Produced antihydrogen is detected above  $3\sigma$  (which is **1**<sup>st</sup> milestone)
- About  $6.8 \times 10^6$  oPs ( $5 \times 10^7$  e<sup>+</sup>) and  $3 \times 10^6$  pbar
- (First) production of antihydrogen by charge exchange between o-Ps and antiproton beam
- higher intensity with better emittance by pbar trap required  $\overline{H}^+$  production (2<sup>nd</sup> milestone) 2024-11-14 Beam Utilizations

#### **Antiproton trap**







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- Penning-malmberg trap (5T; 7T max) for antiproton beam reprocessing
- Function : Trapping, cooling, compression, acceleration, bunching and accumulation
- Goal : Producing antiproton beam with good beam parameters (higher intensity with accumulation, good phase-space & time spread for double charge reaction, small energy spread, etc)
- Injection and extraction simulation by WARP has been developed (Kyoung-Hun Yoo et al 2022 JINST 17 T10003)

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# Antiproton trap installation (2023)



#### **Antiproton trap operation**

Trapping efficiency : 60% of ELENA injection Prelimina Reprocessed beam from trap : Without RW RW ~ $5x10^{6}$ #( $\bar{p}/2min$ ) 6MHz 10V, 30s Loss Montior Event Rate FADCT 000870 20231105 evrec.root ampl : 18.62 ±0.54 Lifetime ~5x 2min τ: 577.79 ±60.19 Number of e on Number of e on MCP: 1.4E+7 MCP: 1.8E+7 LL ar Gold and the Maller of A -FWHM x = 8.29 mmFWHM v = 9.32 mm

# SUMMARY

- Many efforts are given to study fundamental property of antimatter with possible CPT test
- Deceleration, Cooling and Trapping is important technology for precision measurement
- GBAR aims to make ~10uK anti-hydrogen for WEP test below 1% by free-falling antihydrogen in terrestrial gravitational field
- GBAR produces antihydrogen as first milestone and has improved antiproton beam line and positron beam line for antihydrogen ion production as second milestone

# **THANK YOU VERY MUCH** 감사합니다

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#### Low energy Antiproton beam facility





Production : Linac4(H<sup>-</sup>) → Booster(H<sup>-</sup>) → PS(p, 26GeV/c) → iridium target  $\rightarrow \bar{p}$  (3.5GeV/c)

• Cooling : 3.5GeV/c  $\rightarrow$  100MeV/c $\rightarrow$ 100keV