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"High-precision Penning trap experiments with exotic ions"







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Setup and measurement procedure



Precision mass and g-factor measurements





Part I

High-precision mass measurements





Applications of precision masses

High-accuracy mass measurements allow one to determine the atomic and nuclear binding energies reflecting all forces in the atom/nucleus.





Requirements for mass spectrometry

K. B., Phys. Rep. 425, 1-78 (2006)	δm/m
General physics & chemistry	≤ 10 -5
Nuclear structure physics - separation of isobars	≤ 10 -6
Astrophysics - separation of isomers	≤ 10 -6
Weak interaction studies	≤ 10 ⁻⁸
Metrology - fundamental constants	≤ 10 ⁻⁹
CPT tests	≤ 10 -10
QED in highly-charged ions	≤ 10 -11



A brief history of mass spectrometry





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CPT, ISOLTRAP, JYFLTRAP, LEBIT, SHIPTRAP

Facilities for mass spectrometry



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Principle of Penning trap mass spectrometry



TOF cyclotron resonance detection





The ISOLTRAP experiment





Investigation of nuclear halos

... via nuclear mass (binding energy) and charge radii measurements!



Applications in astrophysics



First results from TRIGA-TRAP







Isobaric Multiplet Mass Equation

Mass formula for multiplets of nuclear states with same mass and isospin





Most stringent test of IMME



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Determination of the ${}^{3}T \rightarrow {}^{3}He$ Q-value

Important parameter for the determination of the electron neutrino rest mass.

18 615 18 610 зн [Counts ³He 18 605 $m_{\nu}^{2} = 0$ 18 600 Q-Value [eV] VanDyck 18 595 $m_{z} < 0$ $m_{\nu} > 0$ Penning Traps 18 keV 18 590 e⁻ energy FTICR Q-value of Tritium beta decay 18 585 $^{3}_{1}H \rightarrow ^{3}_{2}He + e^{-} + \overline{\nu}$ **B-Spectrometers** (Curie plots) 18 580 Q=18 589.8 (1.2) eV SMILETRAP SMILETRAP: Sz. Nagy et al., Europhys.Lett. 74, 404 (2006) 18 575



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The KATRIN spectrometer



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Recent results of fundamental studies

V_{ud} – is unitarity violated in quark mixing?

F. Herfurth *et al.*, Eur. Phys. J. A 15, 17 (2002)
A. Kellerbauer *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 072502 (2004)
M. Mukherjee *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 150801 (2004)
S. George *et al.* Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 162501 (2007)

Are there scalar currents present in the Weak Interaction? K. Blaum *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 260801 (2003)

Stringent test of the isobaric multiplet mass equation (IMME)

F. Herfurth *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 87, 142501 (2001) K. Blaum *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 260801 (2003)

Population inversion of nuclear states, nuclear halos, and drip lines:

J. Van Roosbroeck *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 92, 1112501 (2004)
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M. Dworschak *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 072501 (2008)
R. Neugart *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 132502 (2008)
W. Geithner *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 252502 (2008)
S. Baruah *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 262501 (2008)

Does QED fail in strong fields?

I. Bergström et al., Eur. Phys. J. D 22, 41 (2003)

$$M = a + bT_z + cT_z^2 + dT_z^3$$

Commonly used form ?





Part II

High-precision *g*-factor measurements



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The g-factor







free lepton: $g_s = g$ -factor of the spin

g-factor of the proton and antiproton

Test of CPT invariance

- Currently believed to hold
- CPT transforms particle into its antiparticle (P. Dirac 1928)



$$g_p = 2 \cdot \frac{\omega_L}{\omega_c}$$

 ω_c : cyclotron frequency ω_L : Larmor frequency

PDG: $g_{D} = 2 \times 2.792847337(29)$

 $g_{\overline{p}} = 2 \times 2.800(8)$

With our double Penning-trap technique we aim for $\delta g/g = 10^{-9}$.

Measurement principle



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Non-destructive ion detection



Operation of traps and electronics at cryogenic (4 K) temperature.



C. Weber, PhD thesis, University of Heidelberg (2004) and C. Weber et al., Eur. Phys. J A 25, 65 (2005)



Hybrid analysis trap





Manufactured at the Institute for <u>M</u>icrotechnique <u>M</u>ainz (IMM).



J. Verdú et al., AIP Conference Proceedings 796, 260-265 (2005)

J. Verdú et al., New J. Phys. 10, 103009 (2008)





Single proton signals





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Future Penning trap facilities at FAIR





Summary

High-accuracy experiments with stored ions in Penning traps have a broad range of applications!

- Fundamental tests:
 - Unitarity test of the CKM quark-mixing matrix
 - Test of weak interaction
 - Test of CPT invariance
 - Test of bound-state QED
- Determination of fundamental constants:
 *m*_e, *m*_p, α, *N_ah*, μ, …



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