

## The ALPHA experiment: Status and Outlook

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Since the first trapped antihydrogen in 2010 [1] and observing its long lifetime in the 0.5 K deep neutral atom trap [2], experiments have been performed on the anti-atom resulting in the observation of resonant transitions between the hyperfine states of the ground state [3], experimental limits on the ratio of the gravitational mass to the inertial mass of antimatter and an experimental limit on the charge of antihydrogen [5].

We will give an overview of the ALPHA experiment [6] and present some the results originating from recent experiments on trapped antihydrogen. Furthermore, a outline of a newly proposed antimatter gravity experiment will be given [7].

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