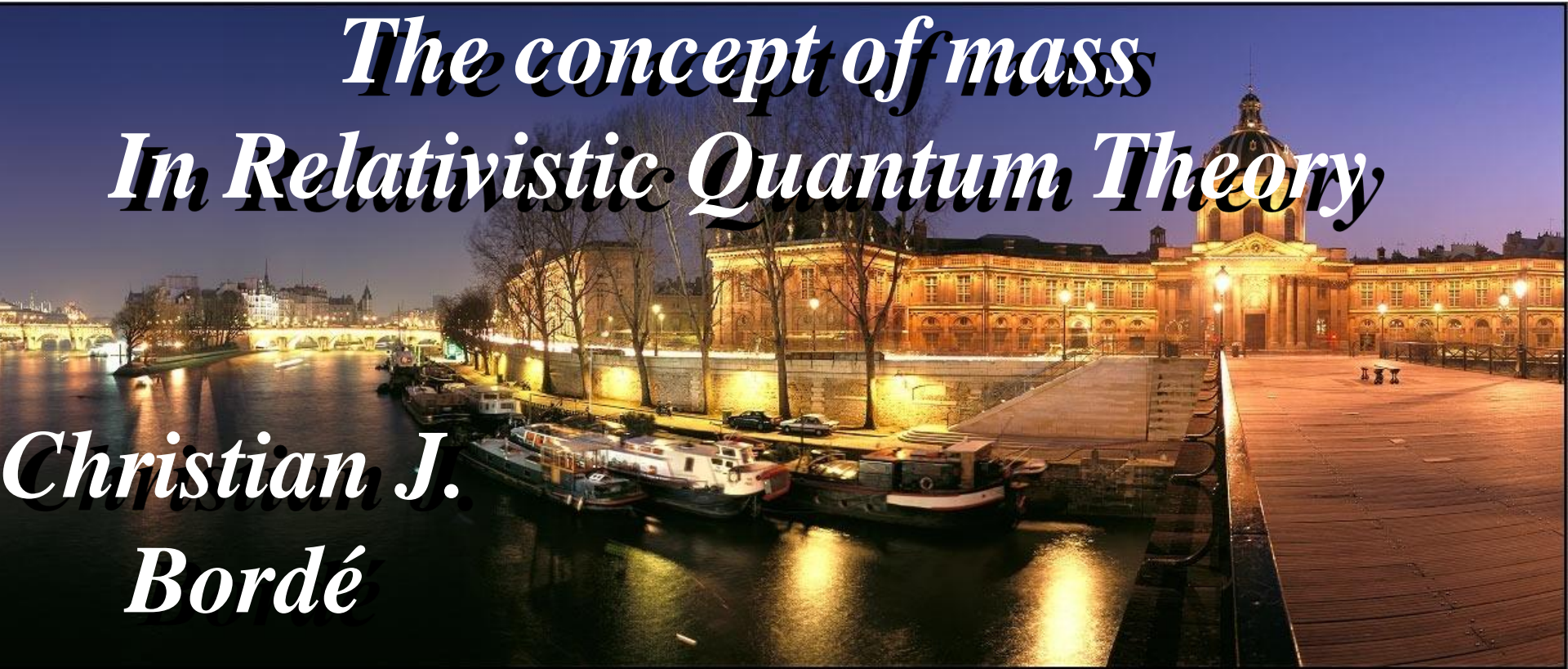


From strings to the \mathbb{R}

*The concept of mass
In Relativistic Quantum Theory*

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h or m_e ?

The mass-time connexion

$E = mc^2$ and $E = h\nu$

wrong!

ENERGY

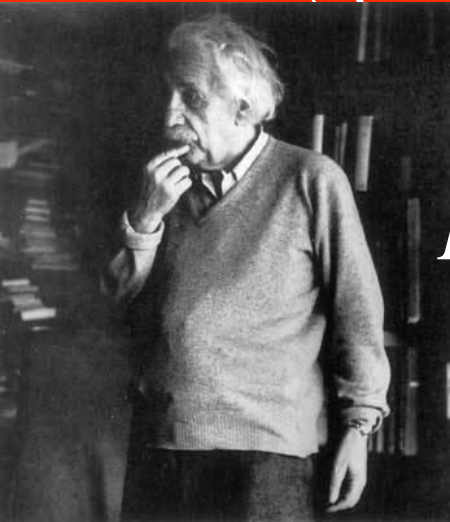
$E(p)$

$$p^\mu = (E/c, p_x, p_y, p_z)$$

$$p_\mu = (E/c, -p_x, -p_y, -p_z)$$

$$p^\mu p_\mu = E^2/c^2 - p^2 = m^2 c^2$$

$$E(\vec{p}) = \sqrt{m^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2} = m_R c^2$$



1905

Mass

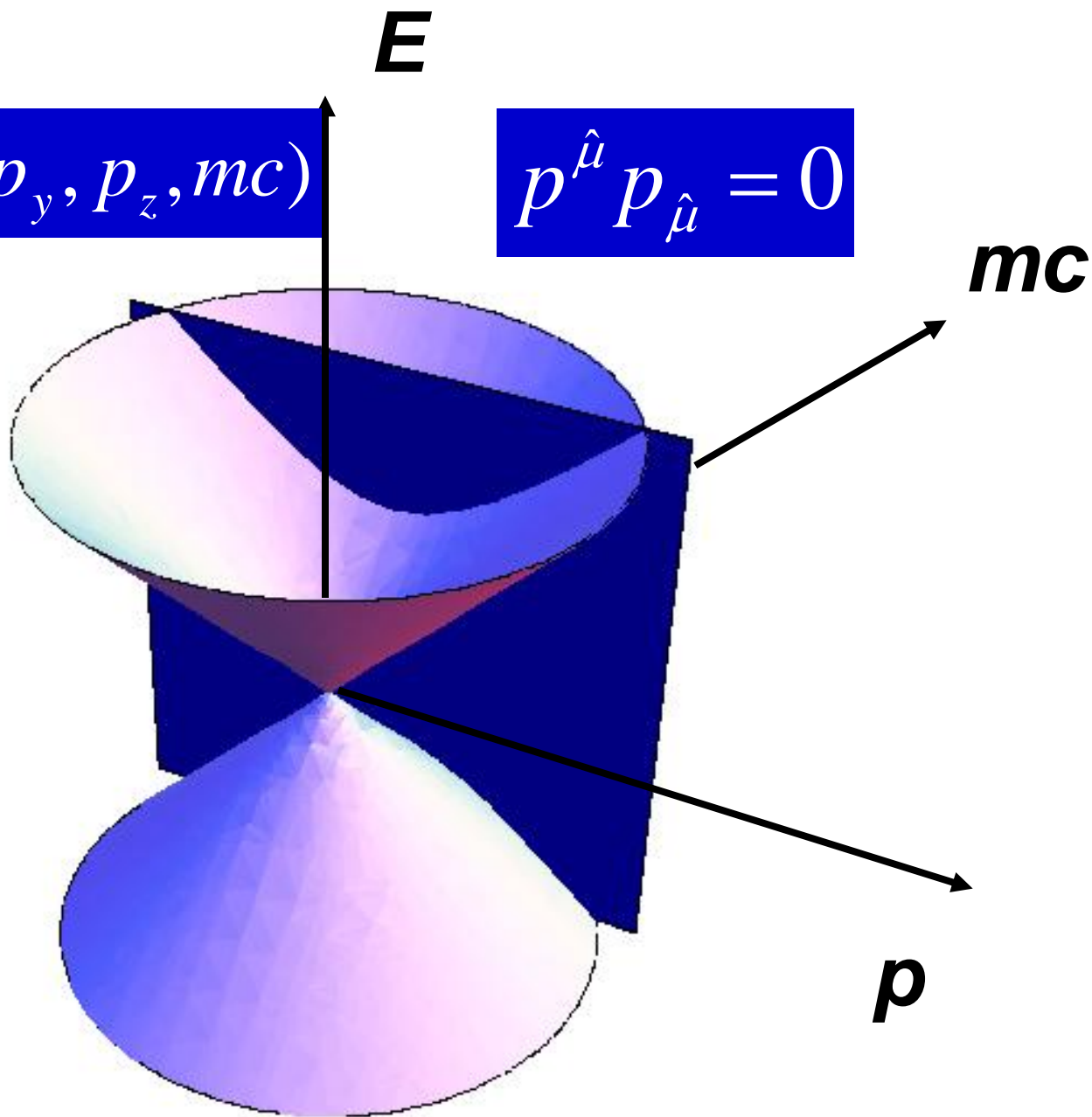
MOMENTUM

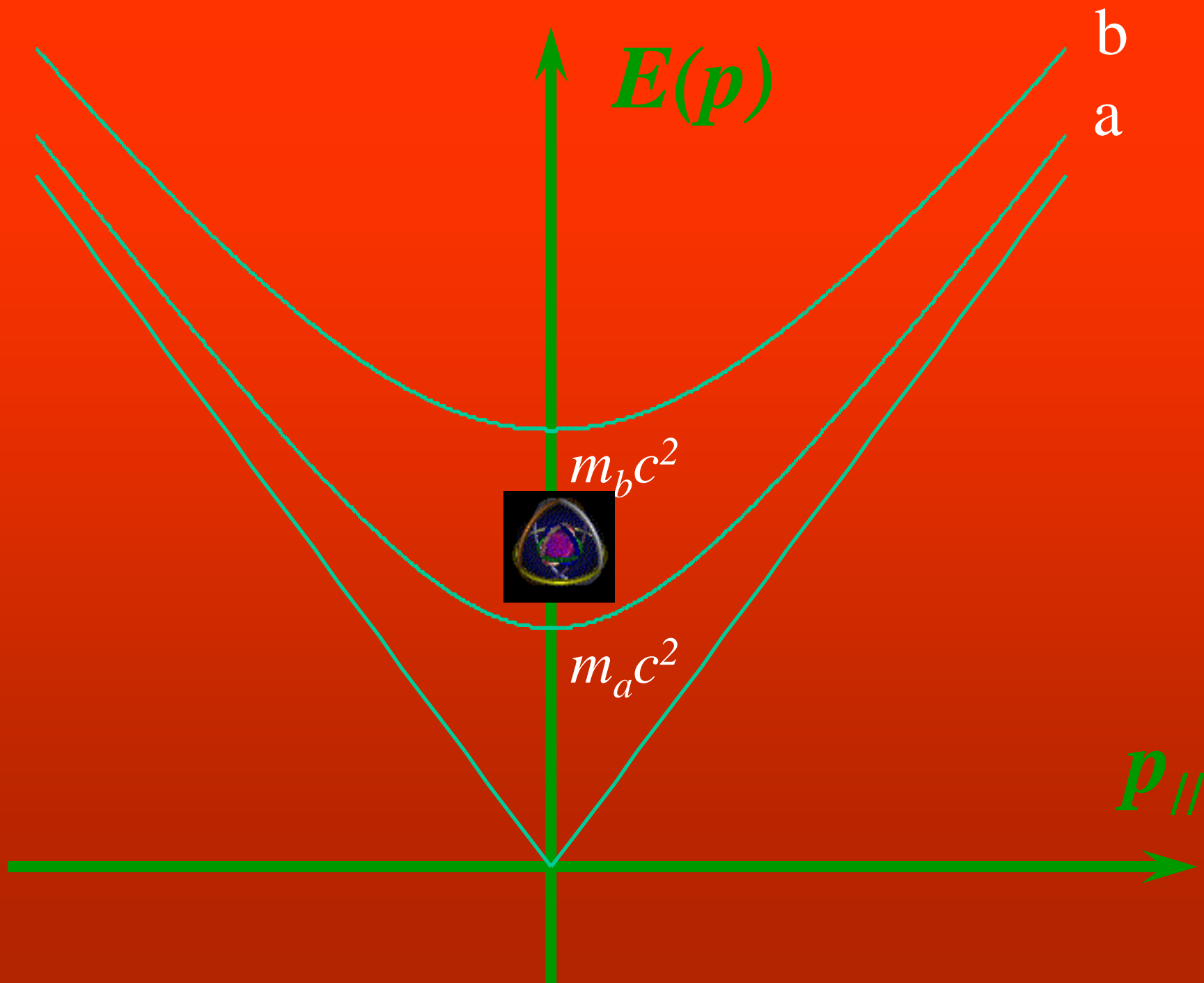


$$p^{\hat{\mu}} = (E/c, p_x, p_y, p_z, mc)$$

$$\hat{\mu} = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$p^{\hat{\mu}} p_{\hat{\mu}} = 0$$





$$x^{\hat{\mu}} = (ct, x, y, z, c\tau)$$

$$dx^{\hat{\mu}} dx_{\hat{\mu}} = c^2 dt^2 - dx^2 - ds^2 = 0$$

$$S = c\tau$$

$$v^{\mu} = \frac{dx^{\mu}}{dt} = \frac{p^{\mu}}{m_R}$$

$$v^4 = \frac{dc\tau}{dt} = \frac{mc}{m_R}$$

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - dx^2 = 0$$

$$p^{\hat{\mu}} = (E/c, p_x, p_y, p_z, mc)$$

$$\hat{S} = -\int p_{\hat{\mu}} dx^{\hat{\mu}}$$

$$\hat{S} = \hbar\phi \rightarrow g^{\hat{\mu}\hat{\nu}} \partial_{\hat{\mu}}\phi \partial_{\hat{\nu}}\phi = 0$$

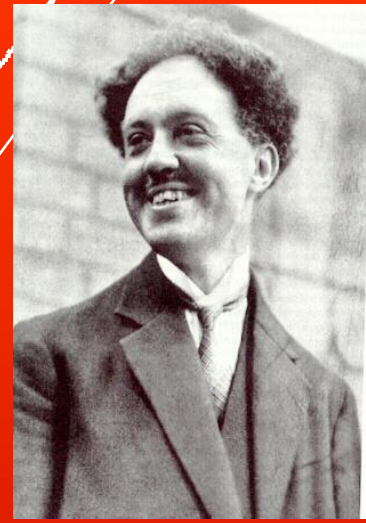
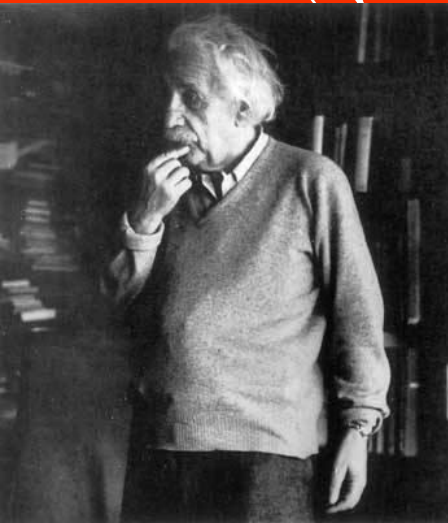
ENERGY

$E(p)$

$\rightarrow \hbar\Omega$

$$p^\mu \rightarrow i\hbar \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_\mu} = p_{op}^\mu \varphi$$

$$h\nu_{dB} \leftarrow \mu$$



$$\square \equiv \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \Delta$$

Mass

1905

$$p^\mu p_\mu = m^2 c^2$$

\rightarrow

\square

φ

$$+ \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2}$$

$\varphi = 0$

$\varphi = 0$

1923

\hbar^2 / λ_{dB}

MOMENTUM

p

$\rightarrow \hbar K$

— *Ondes et quanta* (1). Note de M. **LOUIS DE BROGLIE**,
présentée par M. Jean Perrin.



Considérons un mobile matériel de masse propre m_0 se mouvant par rapport à un observateur fixe avec une vitesse $v = \beta c$ ($\beta < 1$). D'après le principe de l'inertie de l'énergie, il doit posséder une énergie interne égale à $m_0 c^2$. D'autre part, le principe des quanta conduit à attribuer cette énergie interne à un phénomène périodique simple de fréquence ν_0 telle que

$$h\nu_0 = m_0 c^2,$$

c étant toujours la vitesse limite de la théorie de relativité et h la constante de Planck.

Pour l'observateur en mouvement, la fréquence $\nu = \frac{m_0 c^2}{h}$ correspondra une fréquence ν_0 relative au phénomène périodique interne. On attribuera une fréquence ν_0 au phénomène périodique interne.

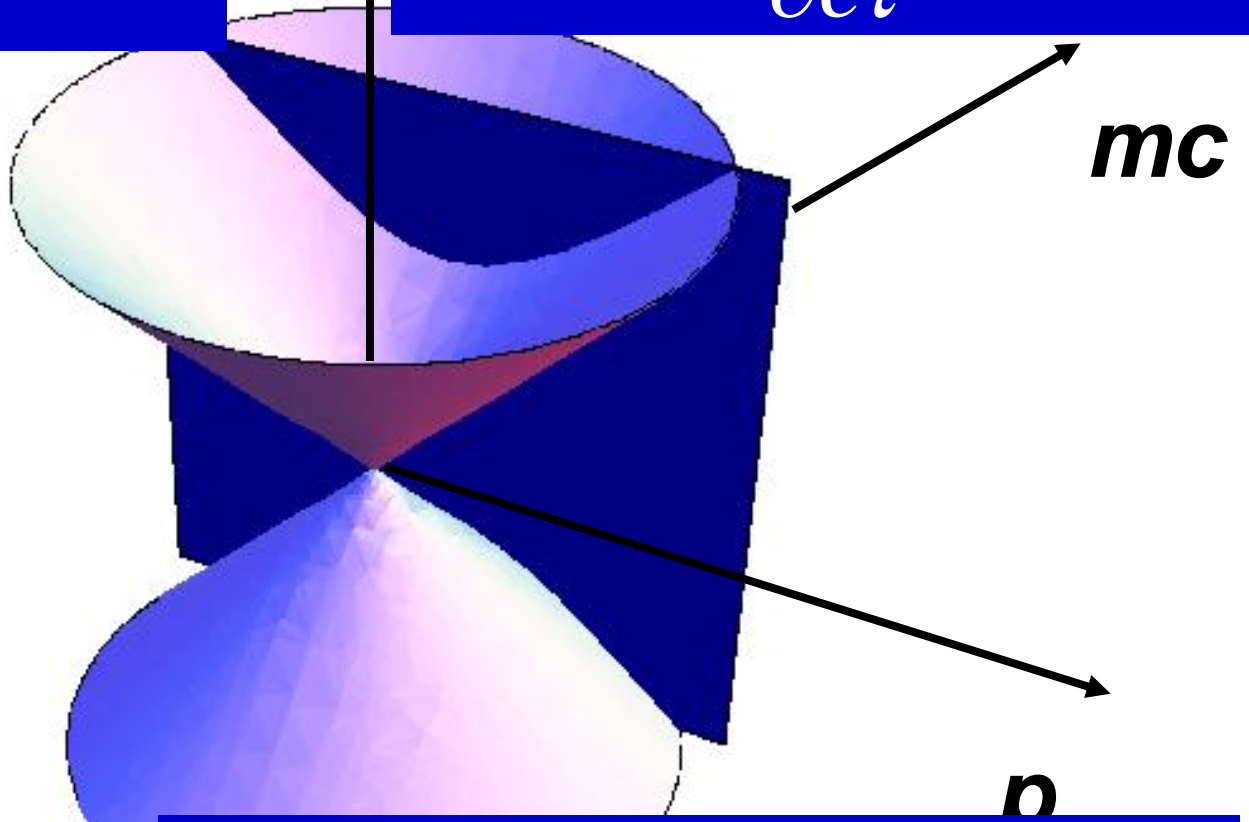
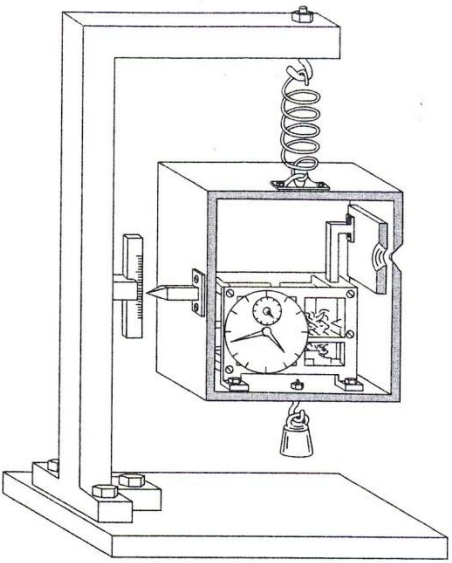
de Broglie - Compton frequency

$$\nu_0 = \frac{mc^2}{h}$$

FROM 3 TO 4 SPATIAL DIMENSIONS

$$p^\mu \rightarrow i\hbar \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_\mu} = p_{op}^\mu \varphi$$

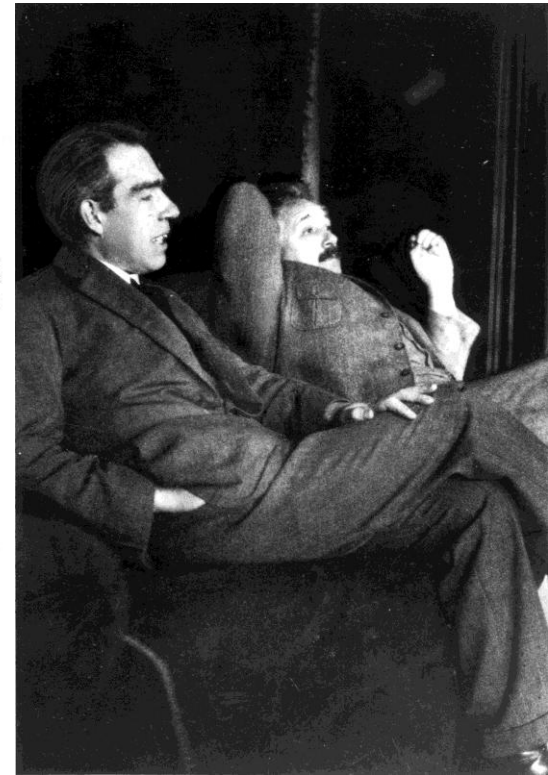
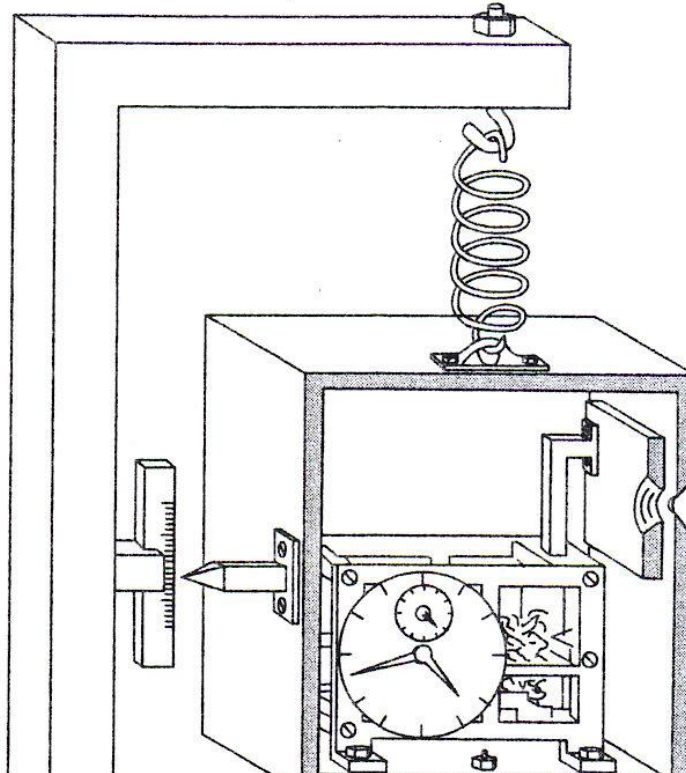
$$p^4 \rightarrow i\hbar \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial c\tau} = -m_{op} c \varphi$$



$$p^{\hat{\mu}} p_{\hat{\mu}} = 0 \rightarrow$$

$$\hat{\square} \varphi \equiv \square \varphi - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial \tau^2} = 0$$

Solvay-1930



$$\left[c\tau_{op}, m_{op}c \right] = i\hbar$$

$$\Delta(mc)\Delta(c\tau) \geq \hbar/2$$

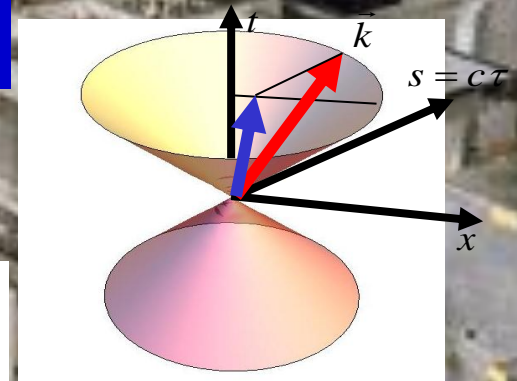
de Broglie wavelength and de Broglie-Compton frequency

$$\hat{\square}\varphi \equiv \square\varphi - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial \tau^2} = 0$$

$$k^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \left(\frac{E}{\hbar c} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda_{dBC}^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{dB}^2}$$

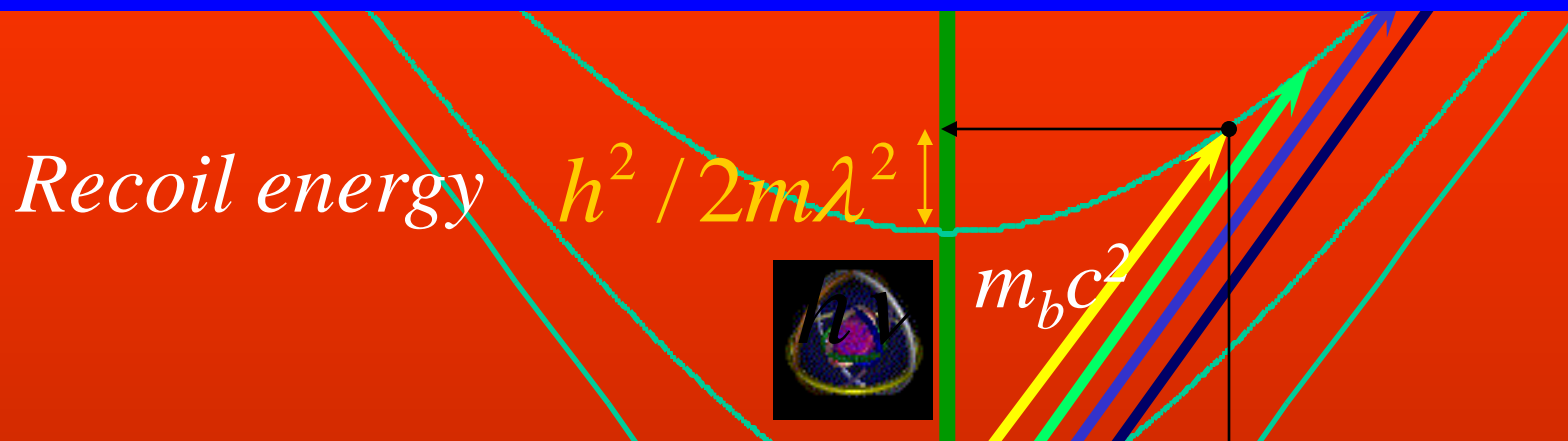
$$\lambda_{dBC} = \frac{h}{mc} \quad \lambda_{dB} = \frac{h}{p}$$

No clock at the de Broglie-Compton frequency
(possible in the future)



The Bohr frequency of the transition is the difference between the de Broglie - Compton frequencies of both states

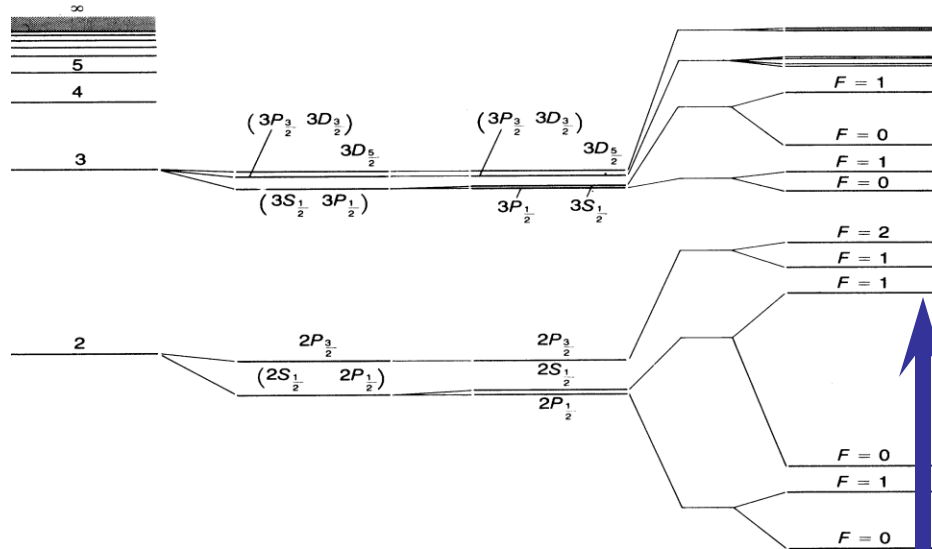
$$\nu_{ba} = \frac{m_b c^2}{h} - \frac{m_a c^2}{h}$$



"The kilogram is the unit of mass, it is the mass of $c^2 / h\nu_{\text{Bohr}}$ massive particles without mutual interactions with a mass equal to the mass difference between the two internal states which define the unit of time"

This definition has the effect of fixing the value of the Planck constant, h , to be $6.626\ 069\ 3 \times 10^{-34}$ joule second exactly.

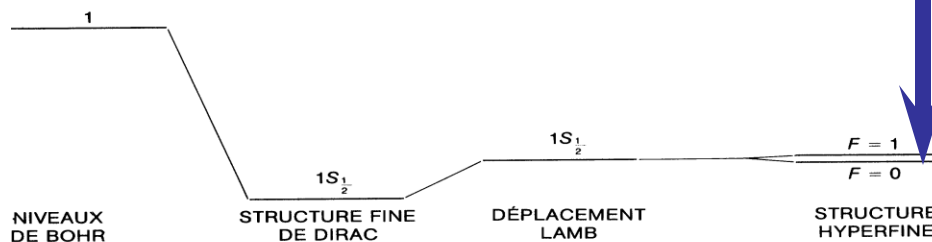
HYDROGEN ATOM



$$R_{\infty} = \frac{1}{2} \alpha^2 \frac{m_e c}{h}$$

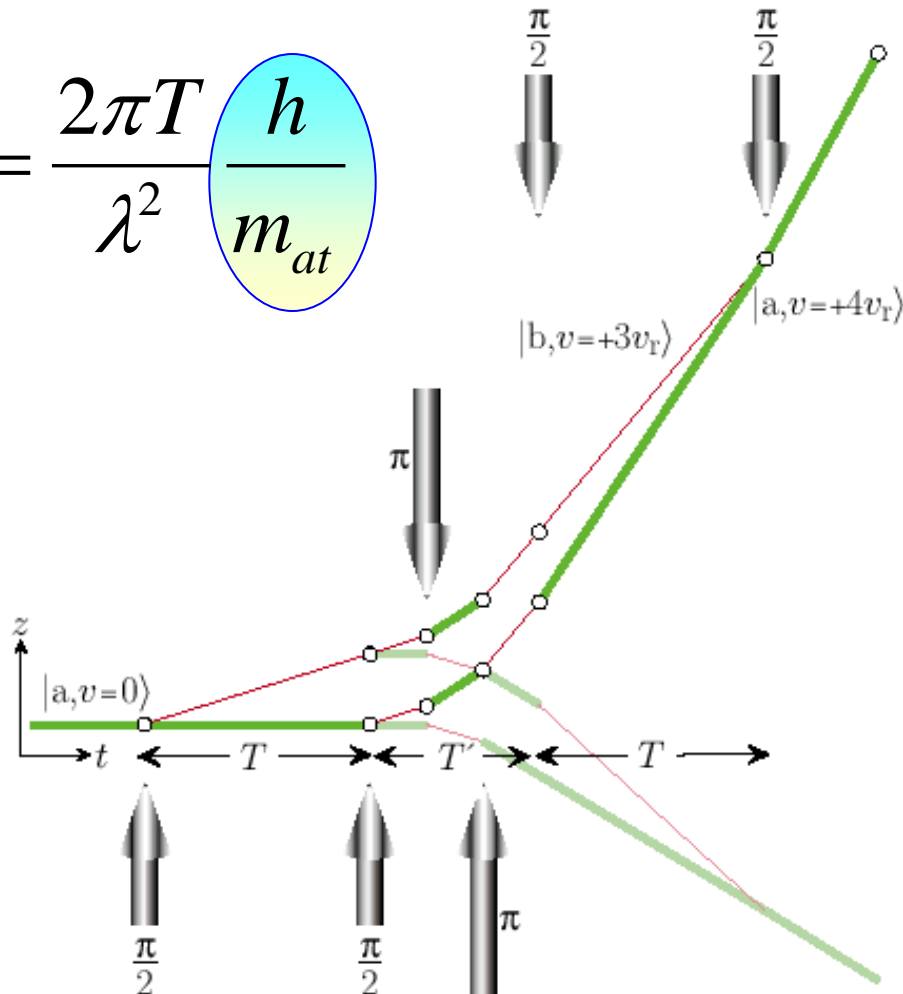
$$\nu_H (1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2}) = \frac{3}{4} R_{\infty} c \left[1 - \frac{m_e}{m_p} + \frac{11}{48} \alpha^2 - \frac{28}{9} \frac{\alpha^3}{\pi} \ln \alpha^{-2} - \frac{14}{9} \left(\frac{\alpha R_p}{\lambda_c} \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

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Determination of h/m_{at} by Bordé-Ramsey atom interferometry

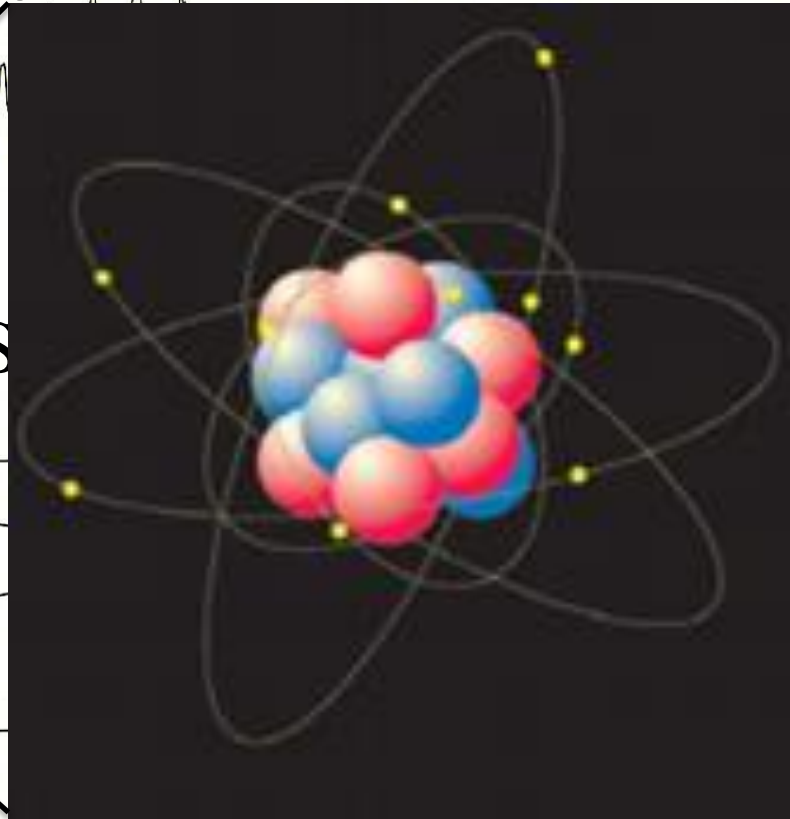
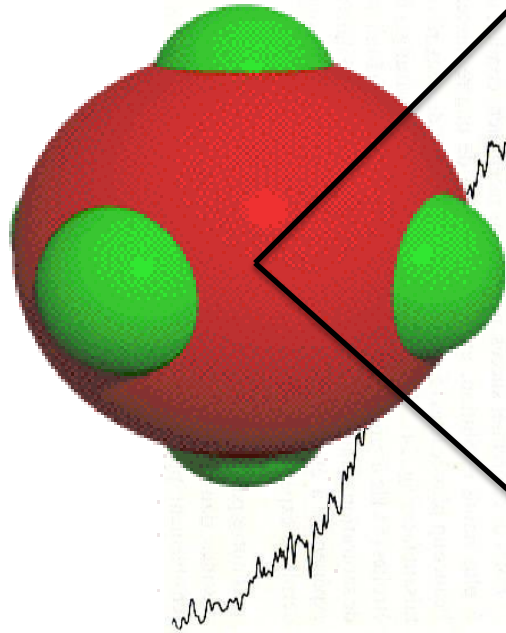
$$\Delta\varphi = \frac{2\pi T}{\lambda^2} \frac{h}{m_{at}}$$



Atomic recoil: Hall and Bordé, Chu, Biraben

MOLECULAR INTERFEROMETRY

$$m = \text{Tr}(\rho m_{\text{op}}) = \text{Tr}(\rho H_{\text{int}}) / c^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} \hbar\varphi &= \sum_j \left[- \int p_{j\mu} dx_j^\mu + c^2 \int \mu_j d\tau_j \right] \\ &= - \int P_\mu dX^\mu + \int Mc^2 d\tau = - \int P_{\hat{\mu}} dX^{\hat{\mu}} \end{aligned}$$

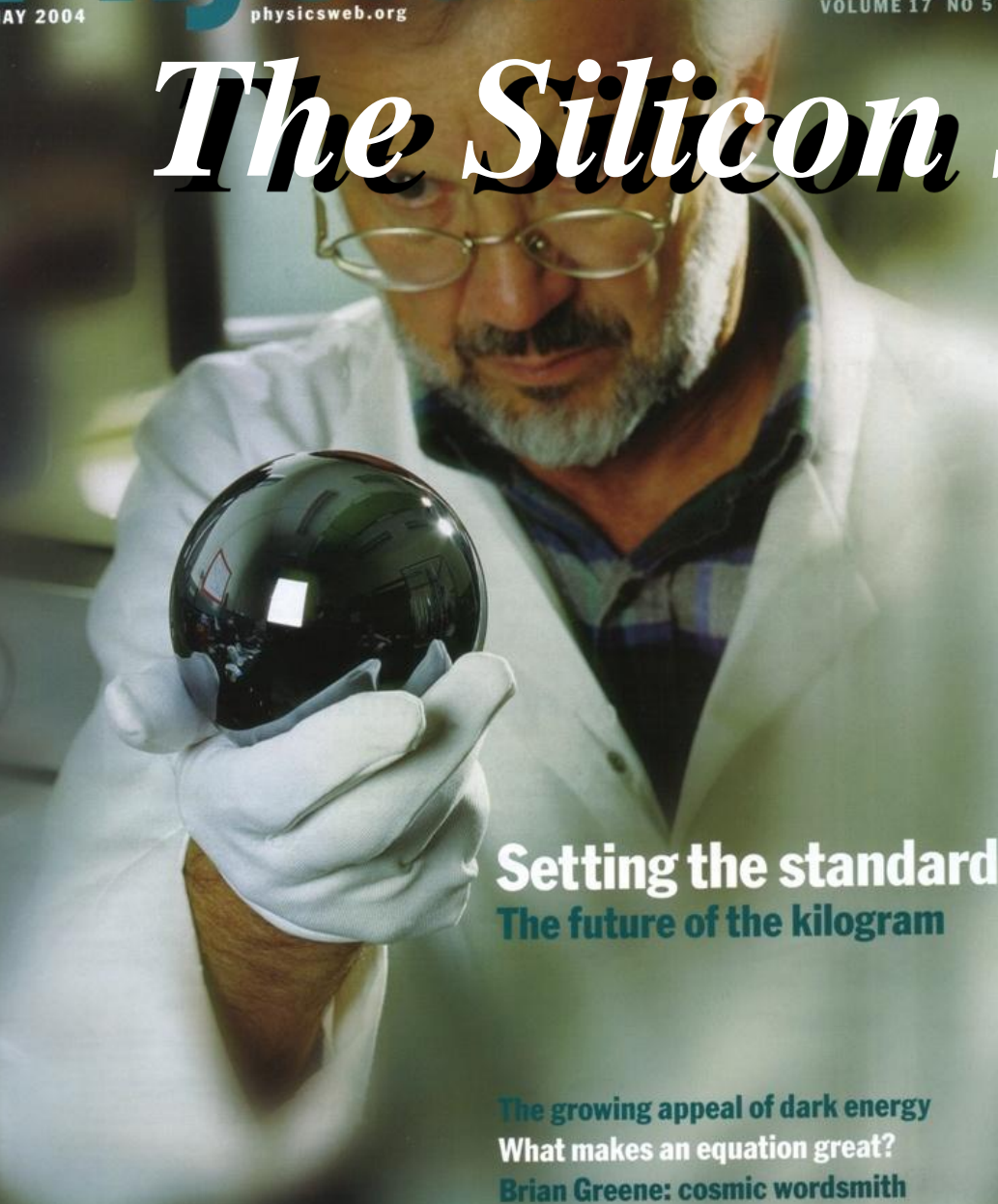
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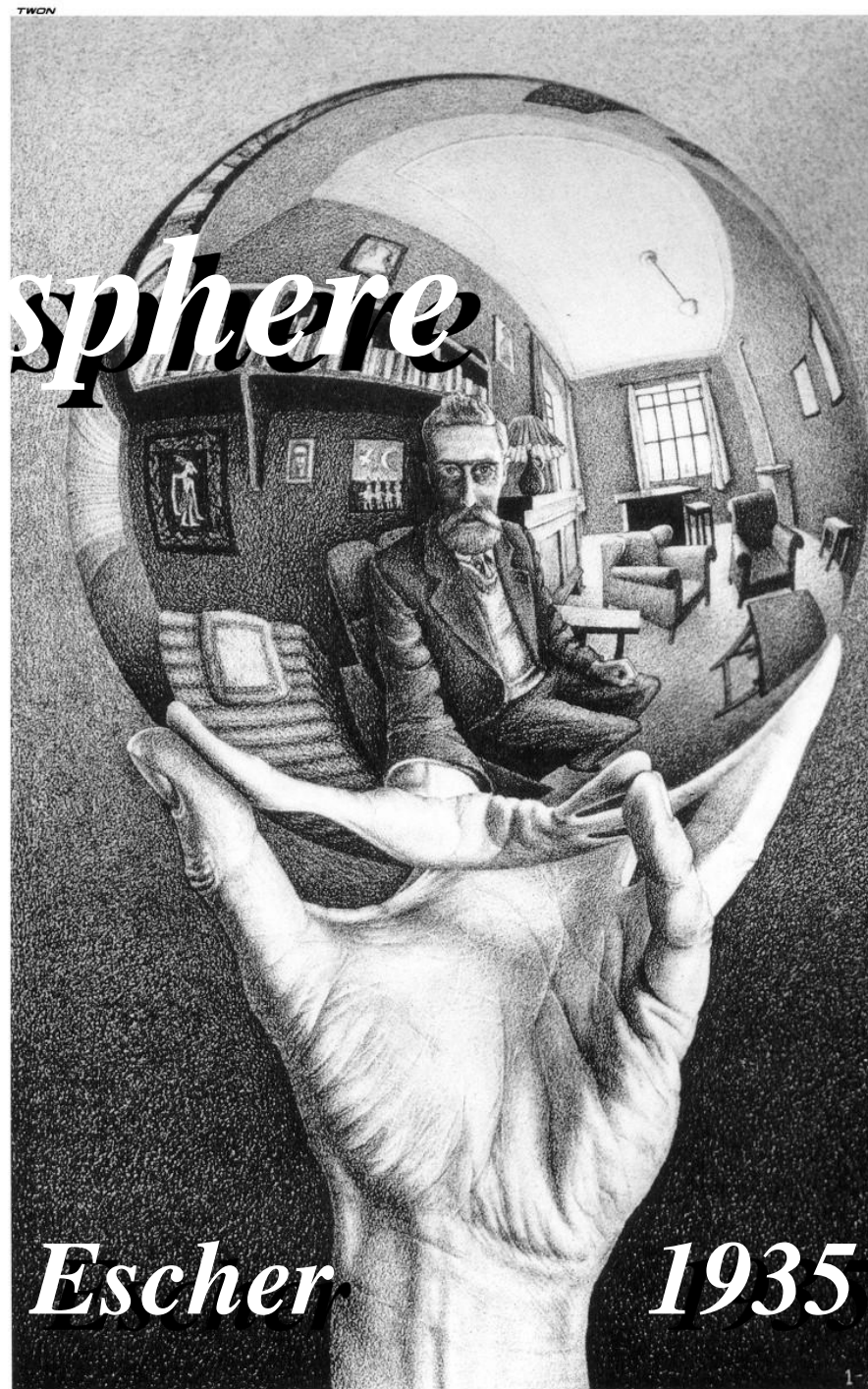


The Silicon sphere



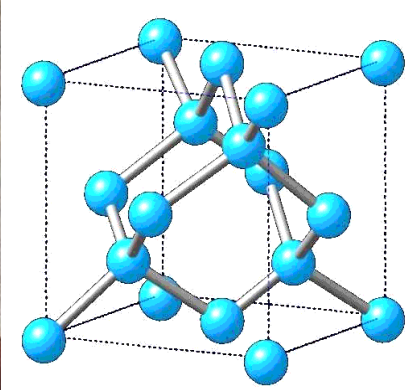
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1935



The Garden of the Hesperides First Silicon spheres?

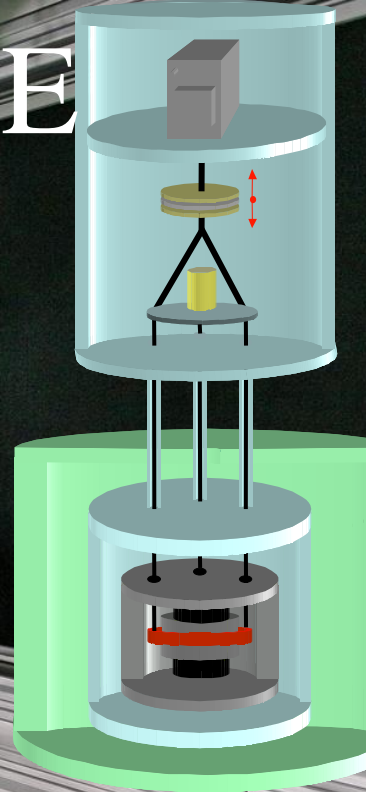
$$\left(\frac{Mc^2}{h} \right) = N_{Si} \left(\frac{m_{Si}c^2}{h} \right)$$

The Three Graces
RAFFAELLO Sanzio
1504-05
Oil on panel, 17 x 17 cm
Musée Condé, Chantilly

BIPM WATT BALANCE

$$M_{\kappa} g v = IU$$

$$M_{\kappa} c^2 \left(\frac{g v T}{c^2} \right) = N_{2e} h f_J$$





CONCLUSION



Mass and proper time are entangled concepts which correspond to conjugate variables in classical mechanics and to non-commuting observables in quantum mechanics.

Their respective units thus require a joint definition in which the unit of mass is defined from the mass difference of the two levels involved in the definition of the unit of time. A compatible *mise en pratique* requires to associate a quantum clock with a mass through a phase measurement either by atom interferometry and atom counting or in the watt balance.

The Avogadro number is then obtained directly from the measurement of the de Broglie-Compton frequency of the carbon atom