

ABOUT 14 BILLION YEARS AGOZ























WTHE CREATION OF ALL ENERGY, ALL MATTER, AND ALL OF THE KNOWN UNIVERSE, TOGETHER WITH SPACE AND TIME **ENERGY**, LOTS OF IT, IS WHAT TURNED INTO MATTER AND ANTIMATTER .w

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AS WAS SHOWN IN THE BACKGROUND MATERIAL VCONSERVATION OF ENERGY-REVISITED', MATTER AND ENERGY ARE INTERCHANGEABLE. THEY ARE SIMPLY THE TWO MANIFESTATIONS OF MASS-ENERGY.

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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, UNDER WORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES WITHIS TRANSFORMATION DOES NOT OCCUR SPONTANEOUSLY, BUT REQUIRES THE PRESENCE OF A NUCLEUS FOR THE PHOTON TO INTERACT WITH. THIS IS DUE TO CONSERVATION OF MOMENTUM REQUIREMENTS. THIS IS ALSO WHY ONLY ONE PHOTON, NOT TWO, CAN TRANSFORM INTO THE MASSES OF THE ELECTRON AND POSITRON.













 1.64×10^{-13} J





THE STUDENTS SHOULD REALIZE THAT, IN ORDER TO CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF MASS THAT CAN BE PRODUCED FROM ENERGY, WE HAVE AGAIN USED



BUT THIS TIME, REARRANGED AS:

m = ₣ c 2

FOR EXAMPLE, WITH $3.01\Sigma 10^{-10}$ JOULES OF ENERGY, WE COULD MAKE A TOTAL MASS OF:

$$m = \frac{3.01 \times 10^{-10}}{(3.00 \times 10^{8})^{2}} 3.34 \Sigma 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

NOTICE THAT 3.01∑10 ⁻¹⁰ J IS THE MINIMUM ENERGY REQUIRED FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A PROTON AND AN ANTIPROTON, SINCE THE EACH OF THESE HAS A MASS THAT IS ONE-HALF THAT OF THE TOTAL MASS PRODUCED.

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THE SIMPLE ANSWER IS...





NOT ONLY IS MASS-ENERGY CONSERVED BUT CHARGE HAS TO BE CONSERVED, AS WELL.

A PHOTON, WHICH HAS **ZERO** CHARGE, CANNOT PRODUCE TWO NEGATIVELY CHARGED PARTICLES NOR TWO POSITIVELY CHARGED PARTICLES.











...IS OK, SINCE THE TOTAL CHARGE OF THE ELECTRON PLUS THE POSITRON IS ALSO ZERO (-1 + 1 = 0)







THIS IS AN INESCAPABLE FACT, AND IT REVEALS AN UNDERLYING SYMMETRY BETWEEN MATTER AND ANTIMATTER. YOU CAN'T GET ONE WITHOUT THE OTHER.

YOU CAN THINK OF IT THIS WAY...















WE ALWAYS GET A COIN AND A HOLE.

THINK OF THE COIN AS A PARTICLE OF MATTER, AND THE HOLE AS A PARTICLE OF ANTIMATTER.

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