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Search for anti-matter in the universe

The tentative detection of a few anti-Helium nuclei [1] is presently revitalising the discussion on the existence of baryonic antimatter in the Universe. As "the discovery of a single anti-helium nucleus in the cosmic ray flux would definitely point toward the existence of stars and even of entire galaxies made of anti-matter" [2] it has been proposed that the anti-Helium nuclei could originate from anti-clouds or anti-stars in the solar vicinity [3]. We discuss possible entities of antimatter in the Universe that would be probed through ordinary matter, with annihilation-radiation providing indirect evidence for their presence [4]. The observations of high energy (~ 100 MeV) gamma-rays sets limits on the fraction of nuclear antimatter contained in our local and Galactic neighbourhood. We review recent gamma-ray [5] observations that set upper limits on such emissions.

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