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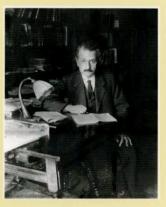
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# The Life and Work of Dr. Albert Einstein

★ Theoretical Physicist ★

#### Dr. Albert Einstein: Biography



Dr. Albert Einstein at the age of 40 in his study in Berlin, Germany, 1919\*



Dr. Einstein writes out an equation for the density of the Milky Way, Carnegie Institute, Mt. Wilson Observatory, Pasadena, California, January 14, 1931\*



Einstein's Adirondacks vacation at Saranac Lake, New York, July 3, 1936\*



Einstein playing violin in his study, August 23, 1944\*

"Above all it is my individual disposition for abstract and mathematical thought, my lack of imagination and practical talent...one always likes to do things for which one has talent. And then there is a certain independence in the scientific profession which greatly pleases me." –Einstein, age 16

Theoretical physicist, Albert Einstein was born March 14, 1879 to parents Pauline Koch and Herman Einstein (a featherbed salesman who later ran an electrochemical works) at Ulm in Württemberg, Germany, spending only one year of his life there before his family, of Jewish origin, moved to the predominately Catholic community of Munich after his father's unsuccessful business venture. Einstein grew up with a younger sister, Maja with whom he remained close throughout his life until he lost her at the age of seventy. Despite, his Jewish origins, Einstein attended a Catholic elementary school near his home from the ages of five to ten, later transferring to Luitpold Gymnasium, a strict British public secondary school in Munich. Attending the Catholic school was out of practicality as the Jewish school was expensive and quite a distance away from the Einstein home. Einstein did not grow up in a strict Jewish background; his father believing most of the customs and traditions of the Jewish faith to be 'ancient superstition,' the family did not attend the local synagogue.

Although a proven genius in physics, no early indications remained until the age of sixteen when he began formulating ideas concerning physics in a paper he wrote to his Uncle Cäsar. Despite Einstein's later developments, his potential remained and lobbied

unrecognized as a boy. When his father asked Einstein's elementary school headmaster what profession would best suit his son, the headmaster's reply was: "It doesn't matter; he'll never make a success of anything." However, Einstein later proved otherwise and displayed strength in math and physics at Luitpold, gaining early exposure from his uncle's and father. His Uncle Jackob, a sound engineer, described algebra as a "merry science," explaining mathematical theories to young Einstein through the use of playful analogies—a trait Einstein later used when describing his theory of relativity to non-mathematicians. His exposure to science came at age 5 when he received a model of a steam engine from his Uncle Cäsar Koch and a pocket compass from his father, with the compass introducing a curiosity for astrophysics (young Einstein was fascinated by that 'something' in empty space that acted upon the needle). At age twelve, while at Luitpold, Einstein's interests were further fostered through. Max Talmey, a Jewish medical student who became a mentor of sorts, giving Einstein books on science and mathematics and reviewing Einstein's math problems he solved. Einstein's mother also played a role of influence, insisting that her son take violin lessons from age six to age thirteen. Thus, Einstein also received exposure to the mathematical rules that govern musical harmony,

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<sup>1</sup>Paper titled, "Concerning the Investigation State of Ether in Magnetic Fields" outlined the relationship between electricity, magnetism and ether (hypothetical non-material entity that as presumed to fill all space and to transmit the electromagnetic waves. In the paper Einstein considered what he would be able to see if he were to follow a beam of light at its own velocity through space.

although unbeknownst to him until age thirteen, when his awareness led to his fascination with the instrument.

In 1894, just shy of graduating from Luitpold, the family's electrochemical business failed and Einstein's parents and sister moved to Pavia, Italy (near Milan). Einstein stayed in a boardinghouse under the care of a distant relative to finish school. However, six months later, disliking his high school, he was easily convinced to leave at mid-term when suggested to do so by his teacher under the premises that his 'very presence destroyed the other students respect for the teacher.' Einstein joined his family in Italy, enjoying freedom from academic schooling for a half of year. In 1895 sixteen year-old Einstein left Milan for Zurich, Switzerland, attempting to bypass finishing out his secondary education by taking an entrance exam to the top technical university in central Europe, the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (E.T.H.) with plans to study electrical engineering. Einstein failed the liberal arts portion and thus finished out his secondary education at the cantonal school in Aarau, Switzerland, where he graduated in 1896 as stateless person, having renounced his German citizenship.<sup>2</sup>

Upon graduating from secondary school, Einstein passed the entrance examination to the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (E.T.H.). Despite his father's earlier push for electrical engineering, Einstein chose coursework in mathematics and physics to become a professional teacher. During his university years Einstein reflected a demeanor of one who was absentminded, moodily aloof, arrogantly impatient and uncannily charismatic. Einstein often left behind his key to his lodging and forgot other personal items at various locations, leading others to conclude that his absentmindedness would result in little success. Dr. Bucky (knew Einstein for many years) noted Einstein's aloofness in his avoidance to spend his energy focusing on personal matters, describing him as "...devoid of the human feelings that can cause trouble and misery." Those Einstein deemed inattentive to his musical performance got a taste of his impatient arrogance when he would stop playing his violin and make a coarse comment. Although aloof and arrogant, he also revealed a compassionate nature in many letters to his friends Max and Hedi Born and a charisma in his interactions with others. As a college student, Einstein was not afraid to challenge accepted beliefs in physics, and sought self-education versus college coursework, studying the works of Kirchhoff, Helmholtz, Hertz, Mach and Maxwell while working in the library or laboratory instead of attending university lectures. Before examinations Einstein would review his friend Marcel Grossmann's lecture notes, however his independent study resulted in an undistinguished student record, graduating in 1900 with his teaching diploma in mathematics and physics with a 4.91 grade point out of 6.00.

<sup>2</sup>Einstein's German citizenship ceased on January 28, 1896 when his father yielded to his son's wishes and wrote a letter to German officials requesting his son's denunciation of German citizenship.

Aside from his studies at the Zurich Polytechnic (E.T.H.), he not only picked up a passion for sailing, he also met his future wife—a Serbian woman, Mileva Marić, in his physics class. Mileva was the 5th woman to be accepted to the E.T.H., a sign of her intellect, but once she began her love affair with Einstein in 1899 she abandoned her studies and failed her final exam. The couple coined each other with the nicknames "Dollie" and "Johnny." Despite their affections, Einstein's family opposed their marriage and the birth of their first daughter, Lieserl, whose fate is unknown (speculations are that she either died in infancy or was given up for adoption). It has been reported that Einstein never saw his child. The couple married on January 6, 1903 (Mileva 28 and Einstein 24) and shared the birth of two sons, Hans Albert (1904-1973) who became a hydraulic engineer (professor at the University of California, Berkeley) and Eduard (1910-1965) who became ill with schizophrenia, dying in an asylum. As a mathematician, Marić shared an intellectual commonality with Einstein and a relationship that ended with their separation in 1914 and ultimately divorce in 1919.

After graduation Einstein published "Deductions from the Phenomena of Capillarity" on December 13, 1900; and although unsuccessful in obtaining a university position, he gained a few temporary teaching positions in Switzerland—an assistant to a professor of astrophysics and astronomy in 1900, a math teacher at the Technical High School in Winterthur and as a tutor in a private school in Schaffhausen in 1901. On February 21 of the same year, he received his Swiss citizenship and did not serve the obligatory three-month military service, being rejected for his flat feet and varicose veins. Meanwhile, Shortly before leaving Schaffhausen, Einstein applied for a position at the Swiss Patent Office in Bern and sent his thesis "A new determination of molecular dimensions" (covered the kinetic theory of gases) to the University of Zurich for his Ph. D. Einstein was successful in both ventures—gaining a probationary appointment with the patent office in 1902 and earning his doctorate in 1905. Einstein's appointment with the patent office turned permanent in 1904, resulting in a seven-year career as a technical expert, utilizing his knowledge of physics examining inventors' patent applications.

In 1905 while evaluating patent claims, Einstein wrote a series of theoretical physics publications on the photoelectric effect, Brownian motion, electromagnetism and motion, and special relativity. 1905 is commonly referred to as the Annus Mirabilis (The Miracle Year) of Einstein, as it was in this year, at the mere age of twenty-six, that he formulated theories that were published in the leading German physics journal, "Annalen der Physik," which led to his fame as a theoretical physicist.

In March 1905 Einstein sent to the journal his first paper, "On a Heuristic Viewpoint ways

<sup>3</sup>Einstein dedicated this thesis to his friend Marcel Grossmann

Concerning the Production and Transformation of Light," introducing his quantum theory of light, a feat which later earned him a Nobel Prize. In this paper Einstein explained the photoelectric effect by describing light as consisting of discrete particles of energy or quanta (photons) that carry a fixed amount of energy proportional to the frequency. Using statistical analysis, Einstein showed that very high frequency light kicked electrons out of a chunk of metal, while low frequency light did not liberate any electrons regardless of intensity. The experimental result was explained by the fact that low frequency photons did not carry the minimum energy required to liberate an electron. Up to this point, the photoelectric effect had not been adequately explained. 4 Although, experiments supported Einstein's theory as correct, the possibly of light quanta was not universally accepted by most until after the discovery of the Compton effect<sup>5</sup> in 1922, the year he received his 1921 Nobel Prize award for his equation on the photoelectric effect.

In April 1905 Einstein completed his Ph.D. dissertation, "A new determination of molecular dimensions" which was published later that year. The paper revealed a new method of counting and determining the size of the atoms or molecules in a given space. It showed how to obtain Avogadro's number and the sizes of ions in solution from measurements of osmotic pressure and the coefficient of diffusion.

In May 1905 Einstein published "On the Motion—Required by the Molecular Kinetic Theory of Heat—of Small Particles Suspended in a Stationary Liquid," covering his study on Brownian motion . Brownian motion is the empirical observation that tiny specs of dust suspended in a liquid shake back and forth when viewed under a microscope. Einstein's work explained that this movement is caused by the dust particle's continuous bombardment by water molecules, and assumed that the liquid is made up of atoms that randomly collide with the specs of dust. This provided empirical evidence for the existence of atoms and the validity of statistical mechanics to describe atomic behavior, both of which were controversial at the time.<sup>8</sup> Einstein's quantitative theory of Brownian motion was the first to obtain decisive results, predicting motions of magnitudes that a microscope could observe.

In June 1905, "On the Electrodynamics of Moving Bodies" introduced the Special Theory of Relativity—a theory of time, distance, mass and energy. Einstein's March paper explained light as particles and in this paper he explained light as a continuous filed of waves. Thus, he sees light as wave and particle. Einstein introduced the theory by forming two postulates: one that all physical laws are the same either at rest or moving at a pacifist

<sup>4</sup>Maxwell's electromagnetic theory of light, had asserted that when light, thought to be composed of waves, strikes substances the energy of the liberated electrons ought to be proportional to the intensity of the light. These results were at odds with experimental evidence.

<sup>5</sup>The discovery of Compton scattering of x-rays provided direct support that light consists of point like quanta of energy called photons PNA the number 6.02 x 1023 (the calculated value of the number of atoms, molecules, etc. in a gram mole of any chemical substance) RNamed for the Scottish botanist Robert Brown, the first to study various physical phenomena in which some quantity is constantly undergoing small, random fluctuations

<sup>8</sup>Jean-Baptiste Perrin verified Einstein's analysis and established a physical theory of Brownian motion that ended the skepticism about the existence of atoms and molecules as actual physical entities

constant speed in a straight line, and as a consequence of the first, the second that the speed of light is the same regardless of the motion of the light source and the observer. Einstein thus concluded that the velocity of light was a constant that was independent of the uniform motion of the bodies emitting it or receiving it, in other words, the speed of light was fixed and not relative to the movement of the observer. These results have been verified experimentally many times since his discovery and have altered beliefs in the nature of time, where time and space are almost interchangeable concepts.

In September 1905 Einstein explored the consequences of Special Relativity further in his paper, "Does the Inertia of a Body Depend upon Its Energy Content?," revealing his famous equation that the energy of a body at rest (E) equals its mass (m) times the speed of light (c) squared: E = mc2. In other words, an object accelerates by gaining energy (it gains mass). As the object approaches the sppeed of light, its mass approaches infinity. An infinite amount of energy is required to accelerate an object to the speed of light, so the speed of light acts as a speed limit for matter. This equation was centeral to understanding many early experiments in particle physics and ultimatly the development of quantum field theory, which is the framework for describing the itneractions of most known forms of matter.

Einstein's discoveries built on the work of Galileo, Isaac Newton, James C. Maxwell, and Hendrik A. Lorentz, and others who set the foundation from which he constructed his theory of relativity. Special Relativity was incomplete in that it did not allow for accelerating observers or gravitation, thus Einstein spent the next ten years working on General Relativity to address these issues. 9 In 1915 he presented a paper on his new theory of gravity 10 to the Prussian Academy of Science. General Relativity improved on Newton's description of gravity, considering all observers equivalent regardless of whether they are accelerating or moving at constant velocities. In this framework gravity is no longer a force field surrounding a massive body, it is a consequence of the curvature of space-time (space and time, matter and energy are locked together). Many scientists were skeptical of Einstein's general relativity theory of gravity until 1919 when Arthur Eddington's experiment during the May 29 solar eclipse proved Einstein's theory worked. Eddington's measurements confirmed that light rays from distant stars were deflected by the gravity of the sun in just the amount Einstein predicted in his theory of gravity, General Relativity. However, despite the application a few scientists remained unconvinced and later resentful when Einstein stated their skepticism resulted from their inability to understand the mathematics involved.

Meanwhile, Einstein was promoted to technical examiner second class at the patent

and F is a measure of the energy (or mass) located in this space-time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Part of the reason it took so long to formulate was that at the time the mathematical language of General Relativity was known to only a few mathematicians, thus Einstein had to discover this branch of mathematics and learn how to use it before he could make further progress.

10 The theory of gravitation is explained by the equation G=8 pi F, where G is a measure of the curvature of space-time

office in 1906 before receiving his license in Bern, Switzerland as an unsalaried teacher and becoming a lecturer at the University of Bern in 1908. In 1911, Einstein's teaching career flourished, serving as the first associate professor at the University of Zurich, and full professor at the University of Prague, and gaining a full professorship of theoretical physics at the ETH Zurich the following year.

While Einstein's success in physics and his teaching career flourished, his success with relationships floundered, Mileva took their two sons, one aged ten and the other four, back to Zurich and left him in 1914. Their separation ended in divorce upon the insistence of Einstein on February 14, 1919 and Einstein married his first cousin (maternally) and his second cousin (paternally), Elsa Einstein Löwenthal several months later on June 2. Elsa had nursed Einstein back to health when he suffered a partial nervous breakdown combined with a severe stomach ailment in 1917. The couple shared no children, Einstein gaining two stepdaughters, Margot, who helped with housekeeping when Elsa died in 1936, and llse.

Einstein served as director of the Kaiser Wilhelm Institute for Physics in Berlin from 1914 to 1933. World War I began in 1914, which led to the five-year testing delay of his General Relativity Theory. During the war, Einstein revealed his pacifist sympathies by serving as a leading member of the German League for Human Rights, helping to form a nonpartisan coalition that promoted peace. He also signed a manifesto that created a progressive middle-class party—the German Democratic Party, and thus, as a gesture of support, resumed his German citizenship.

After the war, Einstein continued in his political and scientific contributions. In the 1920's, he traveled extensively as a spokesman for liberal causes and as a representative of the physics community and made further research breakthroughs. With his work on relativity still in dispute, in 1922 he received the 1921 Noble Prize for his work on the photoelectric effect. Two years after Einstein's Noble Prize, Louis de Broglie discovered that light was a stream of particles guided by waves, and extended this wave-particle nature to all electrons, protons, and all other matter. The dual nature of light as asserted by Einstein in 1905 was just beginning to gain scientific acceptance when Broglie extended the idea of such duality to matter and that particles actually move in a wavelike manner. Einstein endorsed the idea and the discovery led to the 'quantum world.' In 1924, Einstein published an article explaining and contributing to Indian physicist Sateyendra Nath Bose's description of light as a gas of photons. Einstein posed that Bose's statistics could also describe light as a gas of atoms. A consequence of these ideas formed what became

Several years following his diagnosis, Adolf Hitler came into power in 1933. Despite his success, Nazi physicists attempted to discredit his theories, denouncing his theory of relativity as "Jewish-Communist physics." Such anti-Semitism pushed Einstein to support Zionism, <sup>12</sup> although he believed in a world government versus nationalism, and to once again renounce his German citizenship. Einstein moved to the United States and accepted a position at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton Township, New Jersey. He established permanent residency in the United Sates, becoming an American citizen in 1940, never again to return to Germany. <sup>13</sup> Interestingly, although not enforced, the U.S. FBI recommended against Einstein's entrance into the United States under the Alien Exclusion Act, alleging his service as honorary chairman for three communist organizations, his affiliation with thirty-four communist fronts and his avocation of a doctrine that permitted anarchy. <sup>14</sup> Deemed a communist by U.S. authorities, Einstein considered himself a pacifist and later a socialist.

Although a pacifist, Einstein opposed tyranny and thus, the Nazi regime and initially favored the U.S. construction of the atomic bomb to ensure Hitler did not do so first. He helped write a letter to President Roosevelt at the start of World War II warning the administration to prepare the United States for nuclear warfare as the technology of other nations could lead to the creation of a nuclear bomb. The Roosevelt administration responded to the warning by initiating a nuclear weapon program—the Manhattan Project. The project created the first atomic bomb, producing clear evidence of E = mc2; and lending futher support that this mass-energy relation may be used to predict how much energy in the form of light or heat will be released or consumed by chemical and nuclear reactions. Einstein played no other role in the nuclear bomb project outside of serving as a consultant for the United States Navy's Bureau of Ordnance, as he was denied security clearance for his support of left-wing causes. However, after the war, Einstein resumed his

known as the Bose-Einstein condensate. This condensate constituted a new state of matter at very low temperatures that was just recently created in laboratory experiments. Two years later he also co-invented a refrigerator with Leó Szilárd that used a thermodynamic refrigeration cycle using ammonia, butane, and water that provided cooling at a constant pressure with no moving parts, using only heat as an input. The pair received a US. Patent on November 11, 1930 for the refrigeration cycle that produced a refrigerator commonly called the Einstein Refrigerator. In 1928, Einstein was diagnosed with a serious heart condition and was warned that his aorta may burst if he did not take care, so he took time to recuperate on the Baltic coast north of Hamburg before resuming his work on science and pacifist causes.

<sup>11</sup> The Noble Prize money went to Mileva, as was agreed upon at the time of their divorce two years earlier.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> A political movement among Jews formally founded in 1897 (although supported by some non-Jews and not supported by some Jews) which maintains that the Jewish people constitute a nation and are entitled to a national homeland.
<sup>13</sup> Still retained Swiss citizenship

<sup>14</sup>http://foia.fbi.gov/foiaindex/einstein.htm

for nuclear disarmament, becoming the chairman of the newly formed Emergency Committee of Atomic Scientists in May 1946. He also supported the black civil rights movement, a homeland in Palestine for Jews, and the creation of a Jewish university in the United States. Einstein also served on the original committee that founded Brandeis University and was offered the post as second president of Israel by the Israeli government in 1952, which he declined.

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In the last years of his life, Einstein continued in his attempts to fill the gap in quantum theory. 15 Though, Einstein's discoveries were instrumental to the birth of quantum mechanics, he spent most of his remaining scientific career attempting to absolve its probabilities that had given rise to the incorrect notion that there is no clear connection between cause and effect. Einstein's distaste for modern quantum theory was due to its lack of complete knowledge about nature. Thus, he spent the last fourteen years of his life in Princeton attempting to formulate a unified field theory of matter that would unify the laws of physics. He proposed numerous theories in various mathematical forms, all of which were flawed. In the end, Einstein's quest to form a generalized theory of gravitation to unify nuclear forces remained unsuccessful until fifteen years after his death, which the String theory successfully accomplished mathematically in 1970. Although there is no experimental evidence for String Theory at this point, it continues to be the only theory that provides a quantum description of gravity.

Einstein died from heart failure 16 on April 18, 1955 at a hospital in Princeton, New Jersey. Upon his wishes, he was cremated and his brain preserved for research. Albert Einstein's work as a theoretical physicist from 1905 to 1955 contributed to the development of quantum mechanics<sup>17</sup>, statistical mechanics, and cosmology. The quantum theory and his theory of relativity, form the theoretical basis of modern physics.

#### Dr. Albert Einstein: His Great Discoveries

#### 1905 (The Miracle Year)

- Quantum Theory of Light
- \* Invented a new method of counting and determining the size of atoms or
- Proved the existence of atoms and the validity of statistical mechanics through his explanation of Brownian motion
- Explained light as both a wave and a particle
- Special Theory of Relativity: proved that the energy content of a body is equal to the mass of the body times the speed of light squared (E=mc2)

#### 1907

Proved Gravity and acceleration are equivalent, two facets of the same

#### 1910

Answered question: "Why is the sky blue?" in his paper on critical opalescence: examined the cumulative effect of the scattering of light by individual molecules in the atmosphere

#### 1911

- First to recognize dualism in nature—the co-existence of particles and waves at the level of quantum
- Addressed the need to resolve the quantum issue in physics

#### 1913

- Theory of relativity predicted that when ray of light passes near a massive body, the ray should be bent
- Showed how gravity should deflect light near the sun, making the stars appear to shift their positions

#### 1915

- Completed theory of gravity: General Relativity
- Matter and energy mold the shape of space and the flow of time
- What is felt as the 'force' of gravity is the sensation of following the shortest path we can through curved, four-dimensional space-time

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>Quantum theory successfully describes the properties of atoms, yet it poses problems regarding its interpretation. In particular,

the wave-particle duality produces uncertainties that can't be explained.

16 Einstein opposed surgery to repair a small leakage of blood form a hardening of his aorta (during this time chances of survival) during such operation were low)

The final mathematical formulation of the Quantum theory that was developed during the 1920's Quantum theory was developed over a period of thirty years through the efforts of many scientists

#### 1917

Published a paper on cosmology

#### 1919

Revealed the probabilistic nature of Quantum theory in it's inability to completely describe cause and effect

Posed problem with the classical notion of cause and effect: Given the dual nature of quanta as both waves and particles it may be impossible to tie effects to their causes

#### 1924-1925

\* Last work predicted a new state of matter to add to list of solid, liquid and gas called Bose-Einstein condensate16

Continued in his quest to unify the laws of physics as to address the problems with quantum theory

#### Dr. Albert Einstein: Personal Trivia

Birth Name: Albert Einstein Birth Date: March 14, 1879 Birthplace: Ulm, Württemberg, Germany Hometown: Munich Parents: Pauline Koch and Hermann Einstein Childhood and Youth Activities: Building models and mechanical devices Hobbies: Sailing Education: Luitpold Gymnasium Secondary school; Cantonal School; Federal Institute of Technology; University of Zurich Career: Technical assistant examiner at the Swiss Patent Office; Physics Tutor; Professor; Theoretical Physicist Spouse(s): Mileva Maric (married 1903-1914); Elsa Einstein Löwenthal (married 1919-1936) Children: Hans Albert, Eduard Religion: Raised Jewish, yet did not practice Judaism; religion described as pantheism<sup>19</sup> Died: April 18, 1955

#### Key Establishments/Notable Facts

Theory of Relativity: E = mc2

\* Significant contributions to the development of quantum mechanics, statistical mechanics, and cosmology

Youngest to attend the invitation-only Solvay Conference in Brussels (the first

world physics conference)

President of the German Physical Society

Chairman of Emergency Committee of Atomic Scientists Named "Person of the Century" in 1999 by Time Magazine

Only United States citizen to be offered a position as a foreign head of state<sup>20</sup>

### Awards

\* 1921 Nobel Peace Prize for his work on the photoelectric effect

\* Copley Medal of the Royal Society

\* Foreign Fellowship of the Royal Society

\* Royal Astronomical Society's Gold Medal

Max Planck Medal

Received several honors in the scientific community: The Einstein is a unit used in photochemistry, Einsteinium coined as a chemical element' and the asteroid 2001 Einstein was also named in his honor

#### Interesting Facts

\* Applied to the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology twice: failed entrance exam first time

\* Retained German. Swiss and American citizenship<sup>21</sup>

\* Shared the birth of a daughter with Mileva Maric before their marriage in

\* German by nationality and Jewish by origin

\*\*\* Was not present to receive Nobel Prize in 1921 being on a voyage to Japan

Second marriage was to his cousin

Skepticism of medicine arose from the inability to express biological procedures mathematically \*

Saved by a classmate when he slipped on a steep slope while climbing the Santis mountain

Co-founder of the liberal German Democratic Party

Injured his hand in 1899 after tearing up instructions on how to do an experiment one way and attempting to do it another way

Formed Olympia Academy with friends, meeting to read and discuss books \*

on science and philosophy Recent theory concerning the unusual structure of his brain reveals that he \* may have suffered from Asperger's syndrome, a condition related to autism

\* Active in the establishment of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem

- \* Fame has exceeded that of any other scientist in history
- Face remains the most recognizable in the world

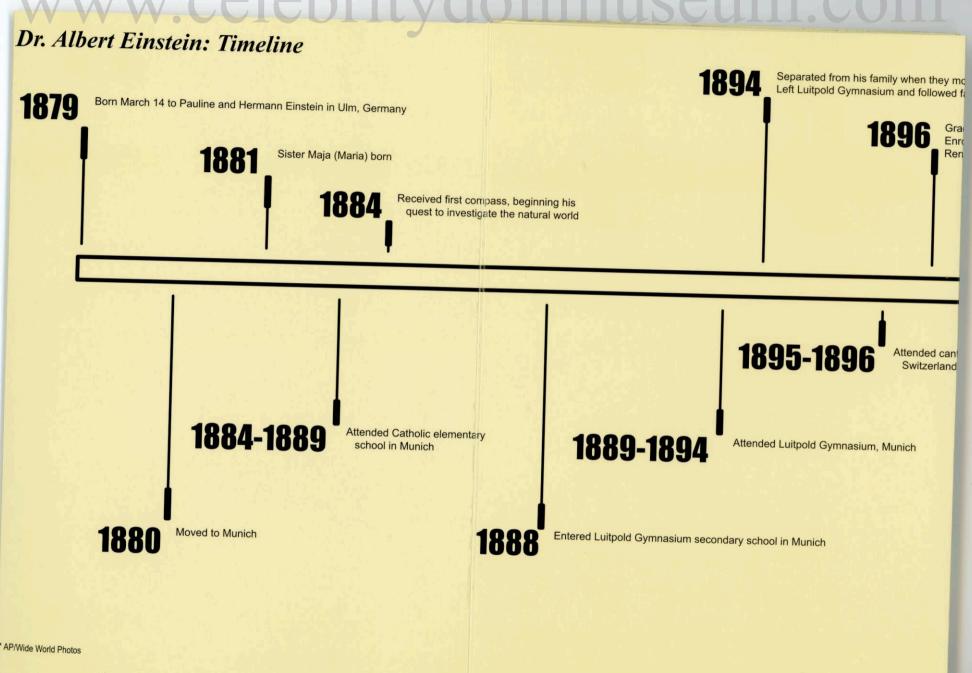
22 Fate of daughter unknown

<sup>8</sup> Condensate was finally created (at exceptionally low temperatures) last year

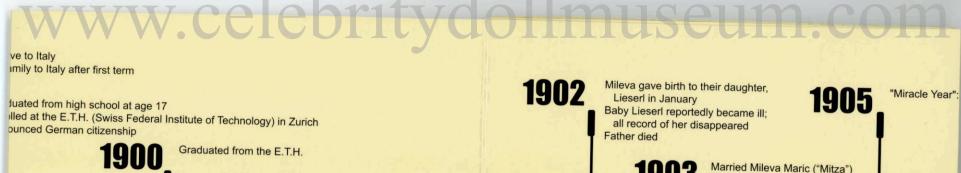
For information, http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/pantheism

Israeli government offered Einstein a post as second president in 1952

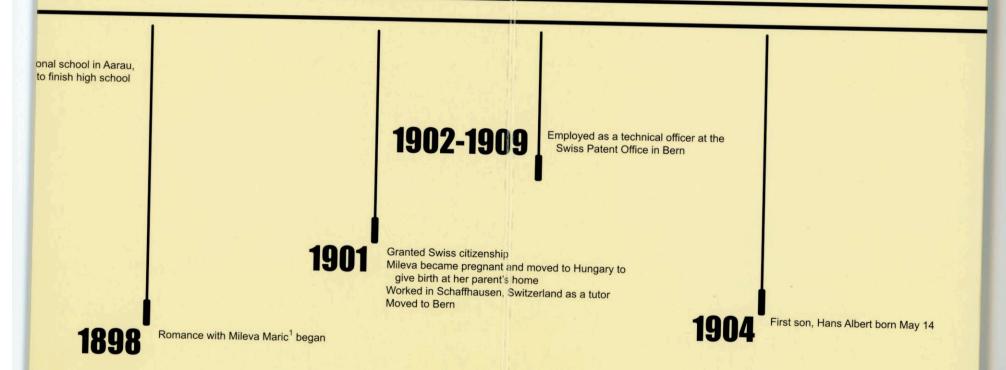
Renounced German citizenship in 1869 and resumed in 1914, renounced again in 1933 permanently







1901-1902 Private tutor at Schaffhausen School Married Mileva Maric ("Mitza") January 6 1900



<sup>1</sup>Hungarian physics classmate at the E.T.H.

his Special Theory of Relativity born June 30th

1911-1912

Professor of Physics at Prague University

1914-1918

1909

Resigned from the Swiss Patent Office Professor of Physics at the University of Zurich Further work on quantum theory

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1913

Worked on his new Theory of Gravity

Promoted to technical examiner second class at the Swiss Patent Office

1907

1910

Son Eduard ("Tete") born July 28

1908 Lecturer at the University of Bern

Began applying the laws of gravity to his Special Theory of Relativity

Published quantum theory for solids (specific heats)
Published the principle of general relativity:
gravitation is equivalent to acceleration

1914-1933

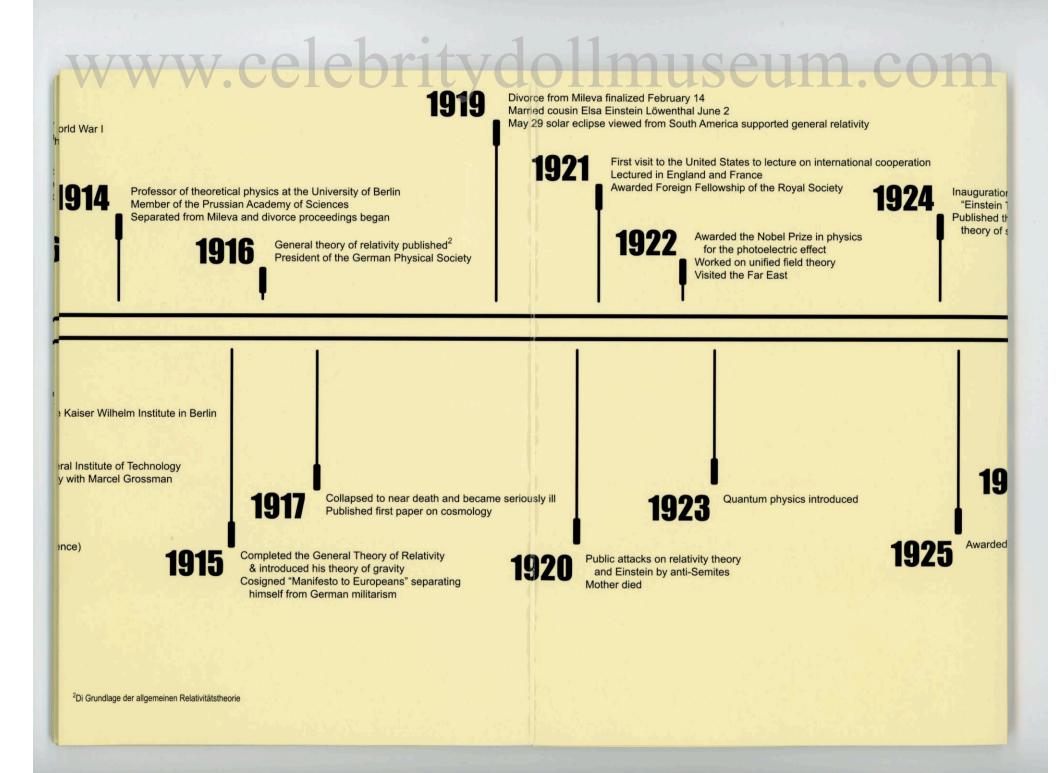
Director of the

1912

Professor of Theoretical Physics at the Swiss Federal Co-published preliminary paper on general relative

1911

Associate professor at the University of Zurich
Full professor at Karl-Ferdinand University in Prague
Attend the Solvay Conference in Brussels (the first world physics conference predicted bending of starlight at eclipses (gets magnitude wrong)



1927

Attended fifth Solvay Conference Began developing the foundation of quantum mechanics with Bohr

of Einstein Institute with ower" in Potsdam e "Bose-Einstien" quantum tatistical fluctuations 1929

Publicized attempt to unify gravitational and electromagnetic field theories

1932

Appointed professor at the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton

1933

Adolf Hittler became chancellor of Germany, giving rise to the Nazi party Moved to the United States

Assumed a post at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton

1935

Continuing debate over quantum mechanics

1936

Elsa died in December

1939

Wrote famous letter to Franklin D. Rooseve

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Awarded the Royal Astronomical Society's Gold Medal

Royal Society's Copley Medal

1930

Extended visit to the United States at the California Institute of Technology

Einstein began pursing his idea of a unified field theory Diagnosed with a serious heart condition



Professor Einstein with wife Elsa on the deck of a ship while enroute from Panama to California, 1931



Dr. Albert Einsteil

1939-1945

World War II

