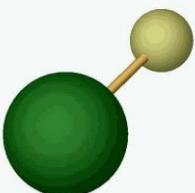


*Experiments using molecules (stable or radioactive)  
to detect P,T-violating new physics  
and measure hadronic P-violation*

- Overview: particle electric dipole moments (EDMs) as probes of high-scale physics
- Polar molecules as amplifiers of EDM signals
- Case study: ACME search for the electron EDM
- Assembled ultracold molecules for EDMs`
- New initiative: nuclear “EDM” search with  $^{223}\text{FrAg}$  molecules
- ZOMBIES: measuring nuclear anapole moments

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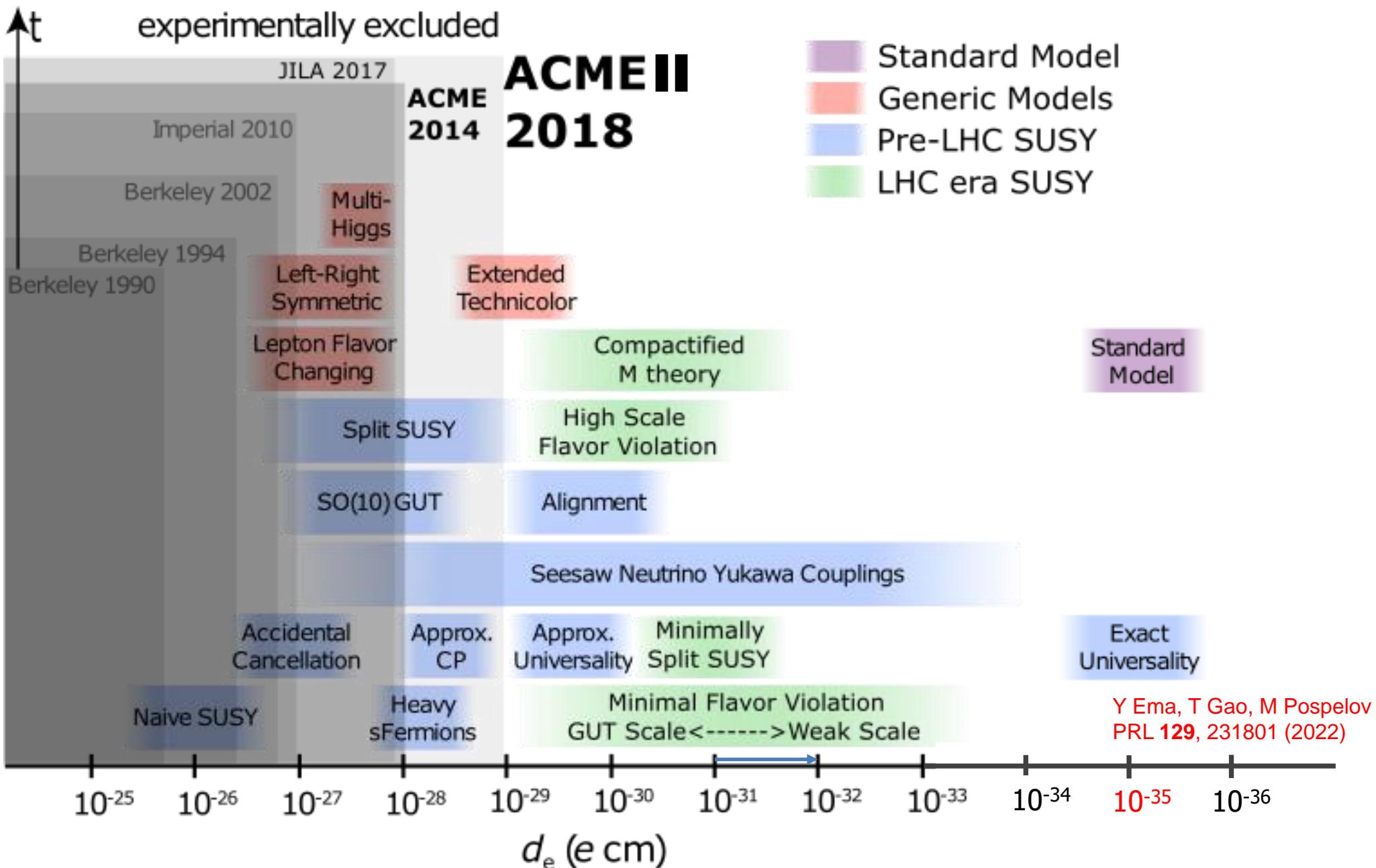
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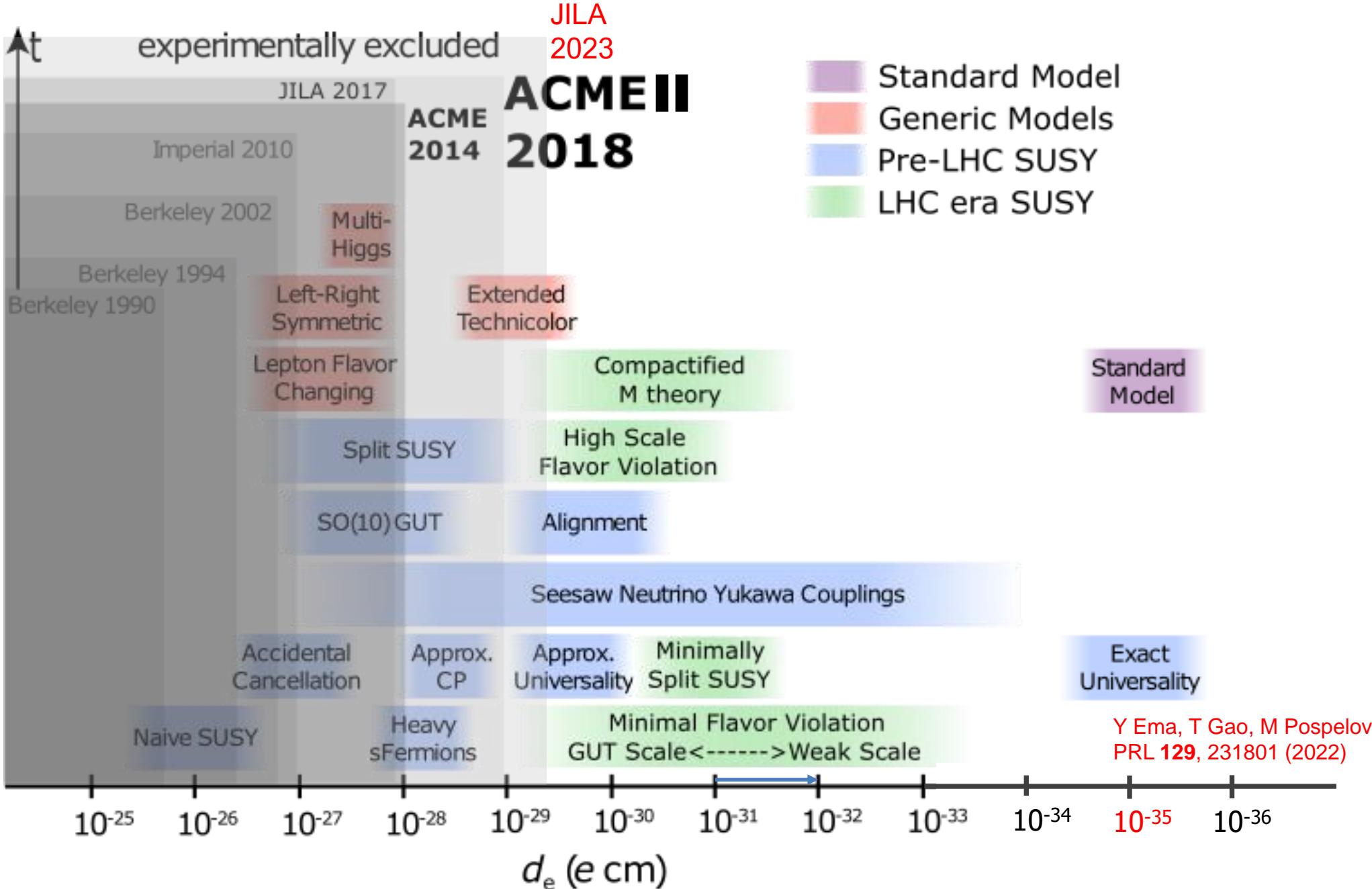
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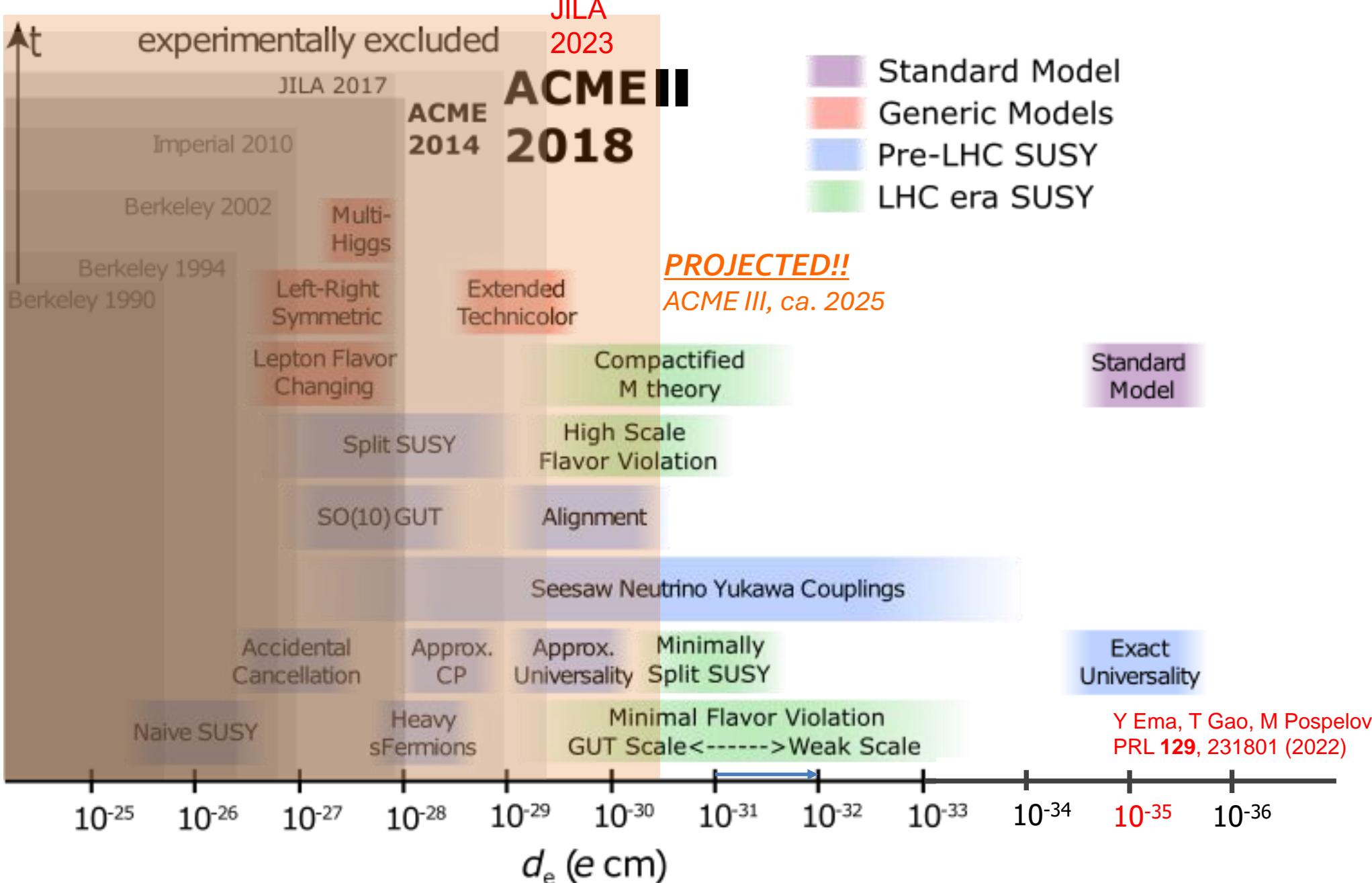
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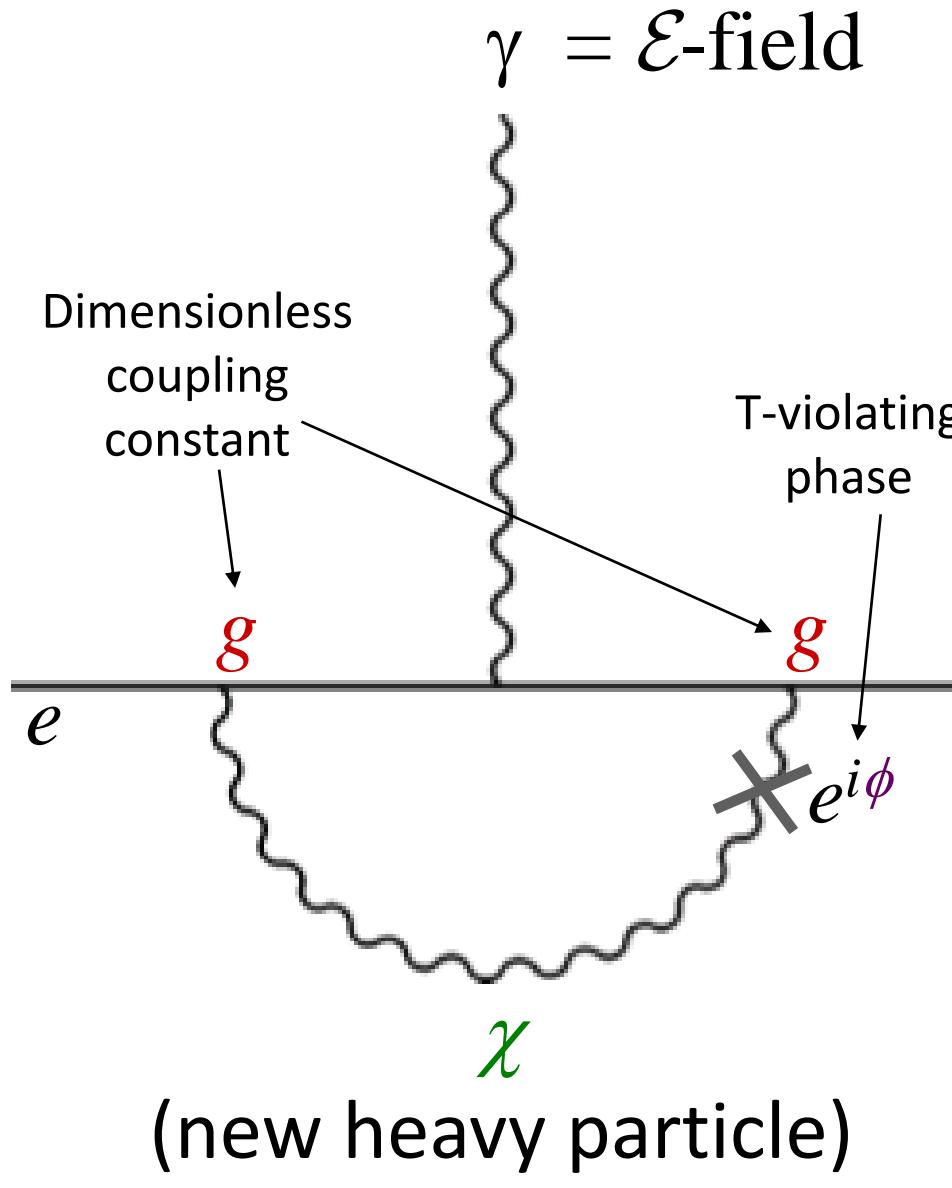
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# Crude dimensional estimates for eEDM



typical e-*EDM*

$$d_e \sim e \left( \frac{g^2}{2\pi} \right)^N \frac{m_e}{m_\chi^2} \sin \phi$$

$N =$   
# loops

“natural” assumptions

$$g^2/\hbar c \approx \alpha$$

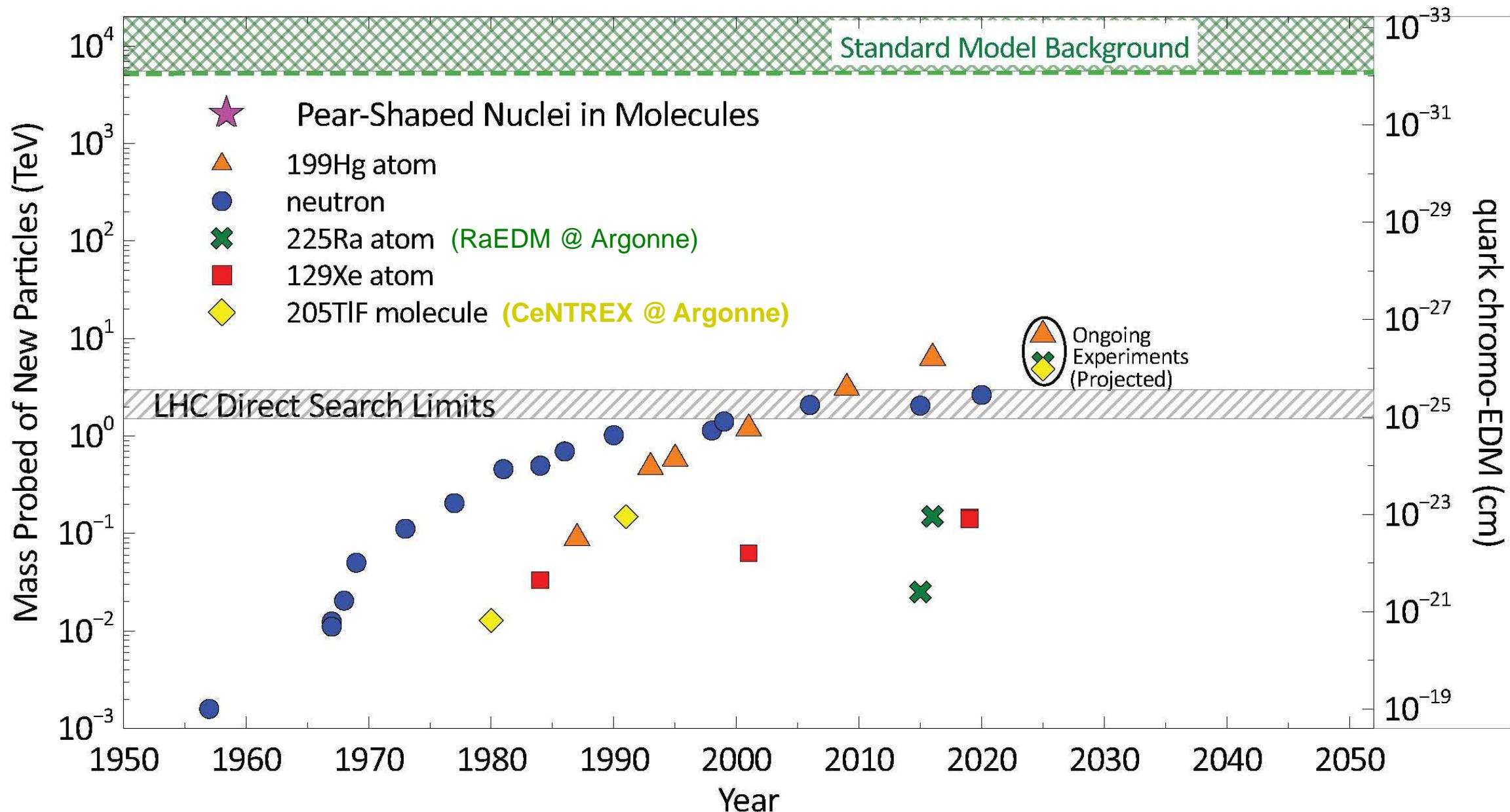
$$\sin(\phi) \sim 1$$

$$m_\chi \sim 50 \text{ TeV}$$



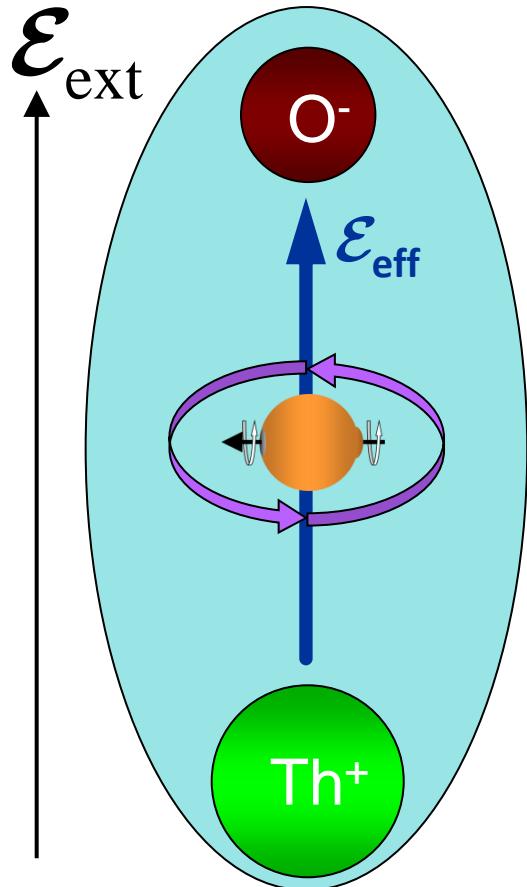
$d_e \sim$  current limit  
( $N = 1$  loop)

# Limits on quark chromo-EDMs from hadronic "EDM" experiments



# Polar molecules amplify observable effect of EDMs

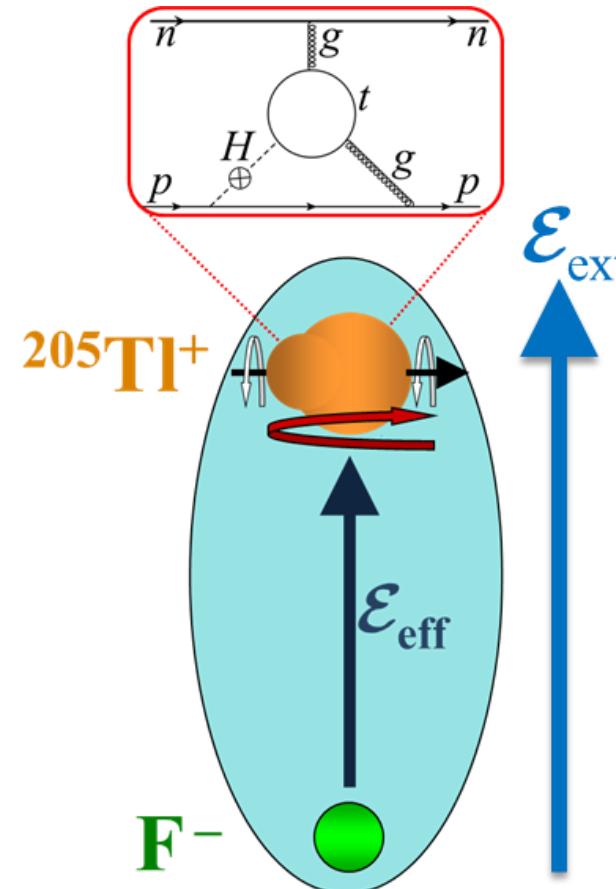
Easily polarized →  $10^3\text{-}10^4\times$  enhanced sensitivity vs. atoms



Electron EDM  
in  $\text{ThO}^*$ ,  $\text{HgF}^*$ ,  $\text{YbF}$ ,  $\text{RaF}$ ,  $\text{YbOH}$ ...

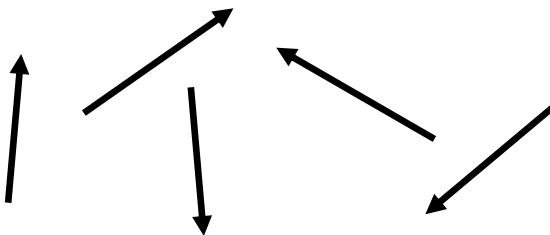
**Observable energy shift**  
 $\Delta E_{\text{P,T}} \propto Z^3$   
in both cases

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}} \equiv \Delta E_{\text{P,T}} / d$$

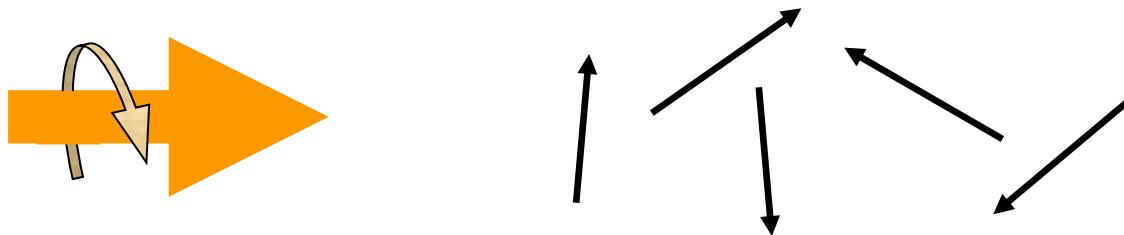


Nuclear Schiff moment ≈ “EDM” in  $\text{TlF}$ , ...  
Magnetic Quad. Moment in  $\text{YbOH}$ , ...

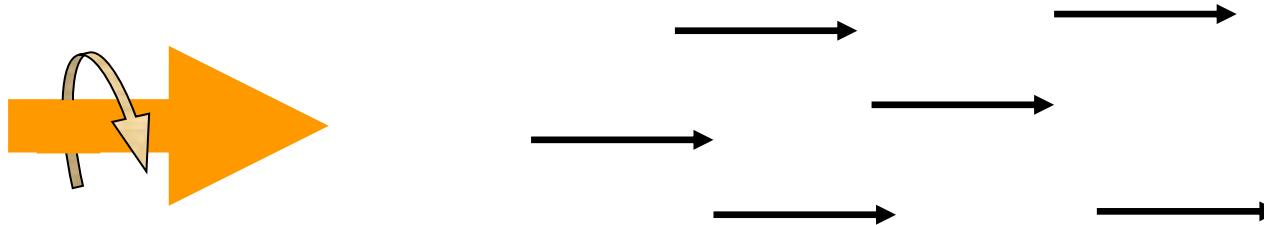
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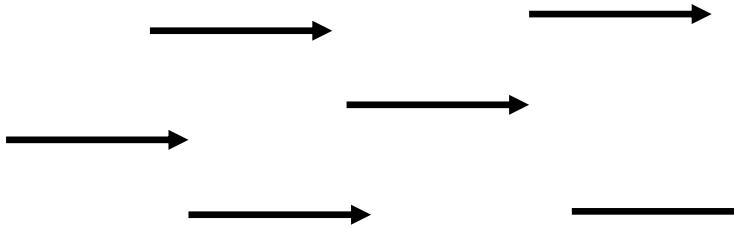
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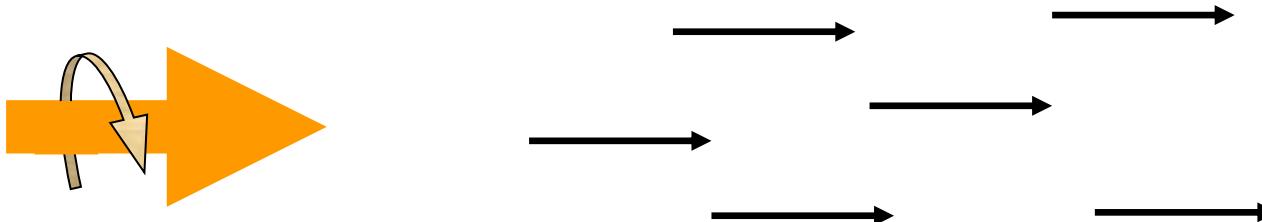
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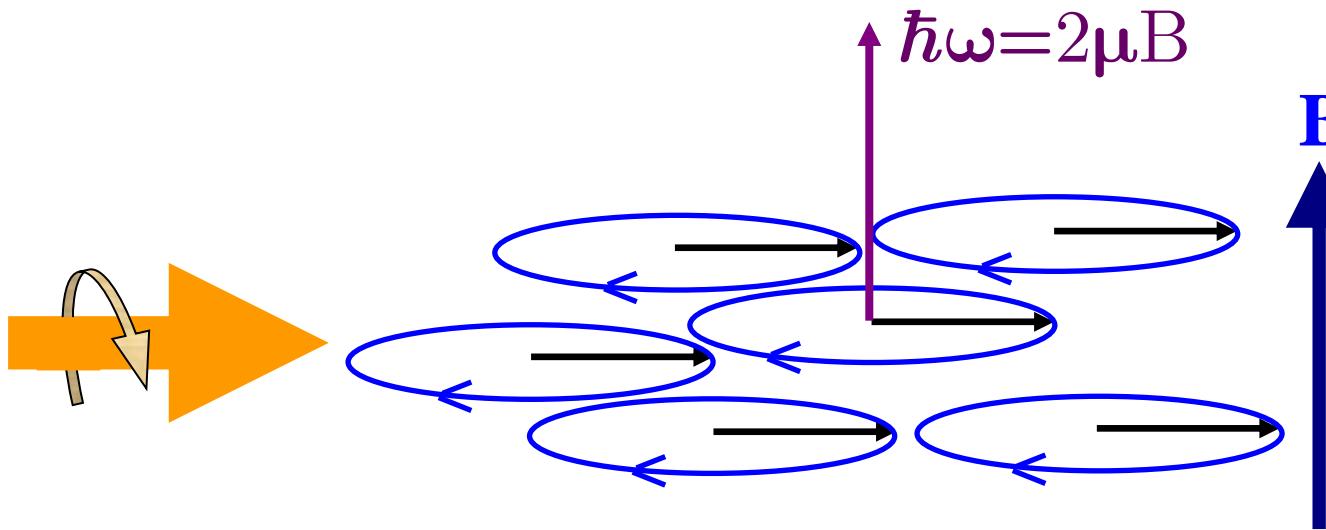
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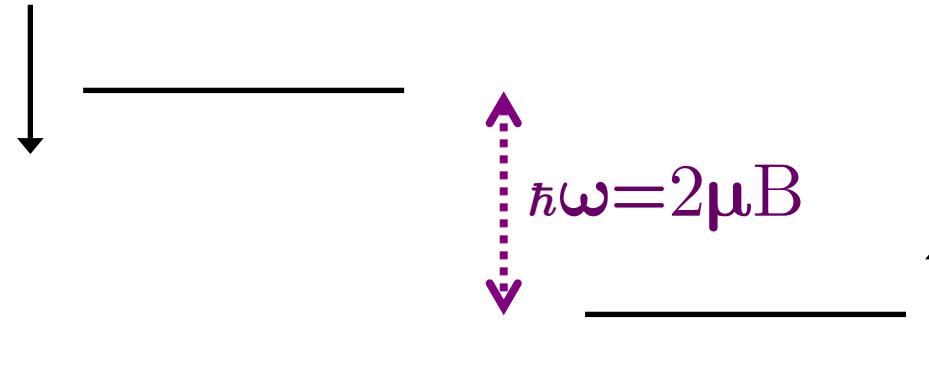
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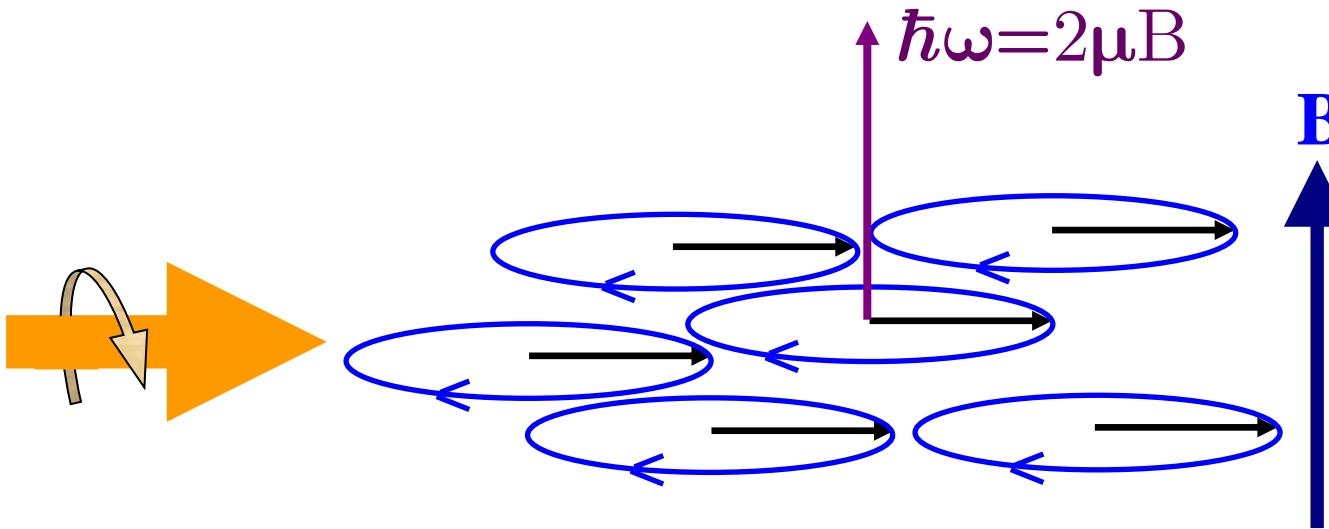
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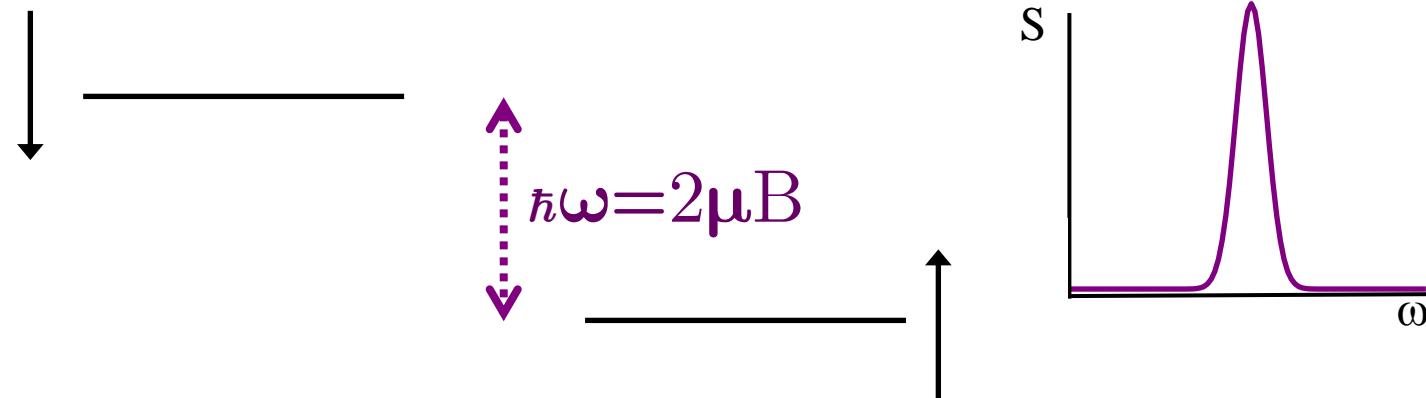
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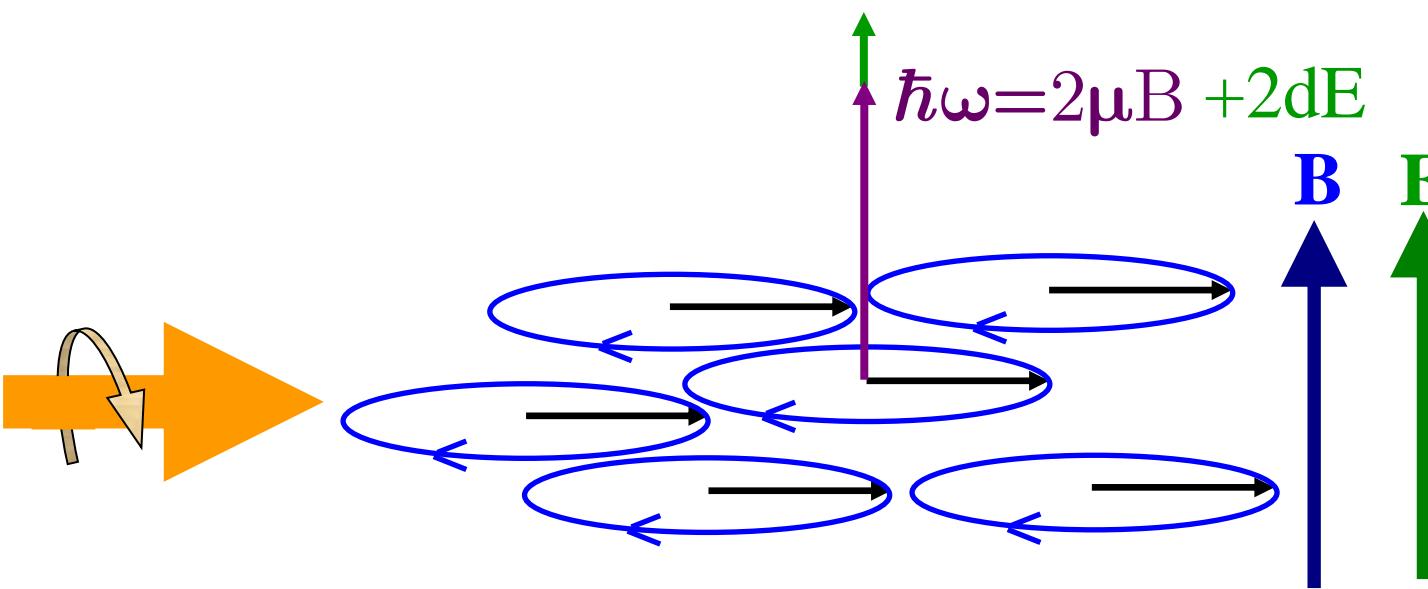
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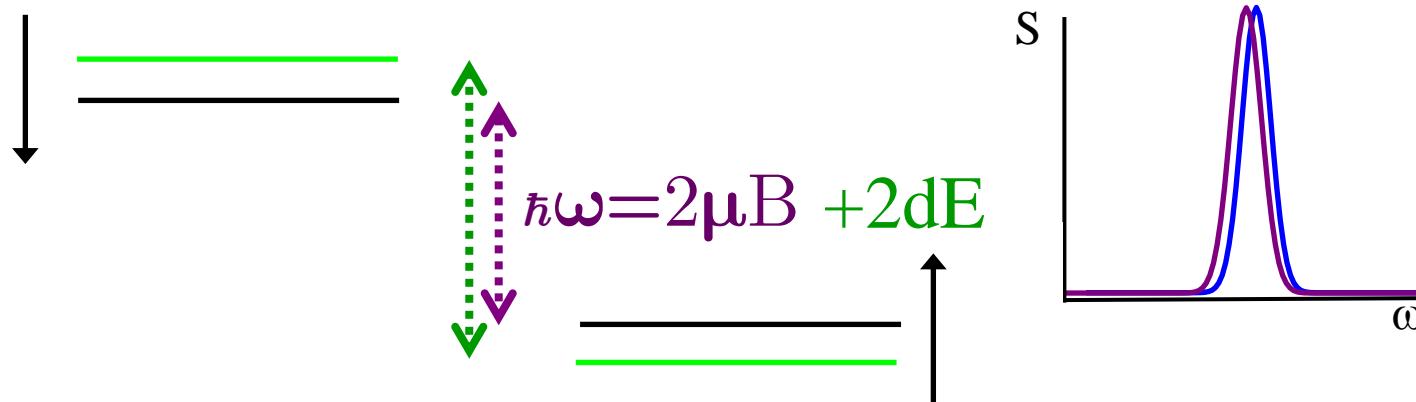
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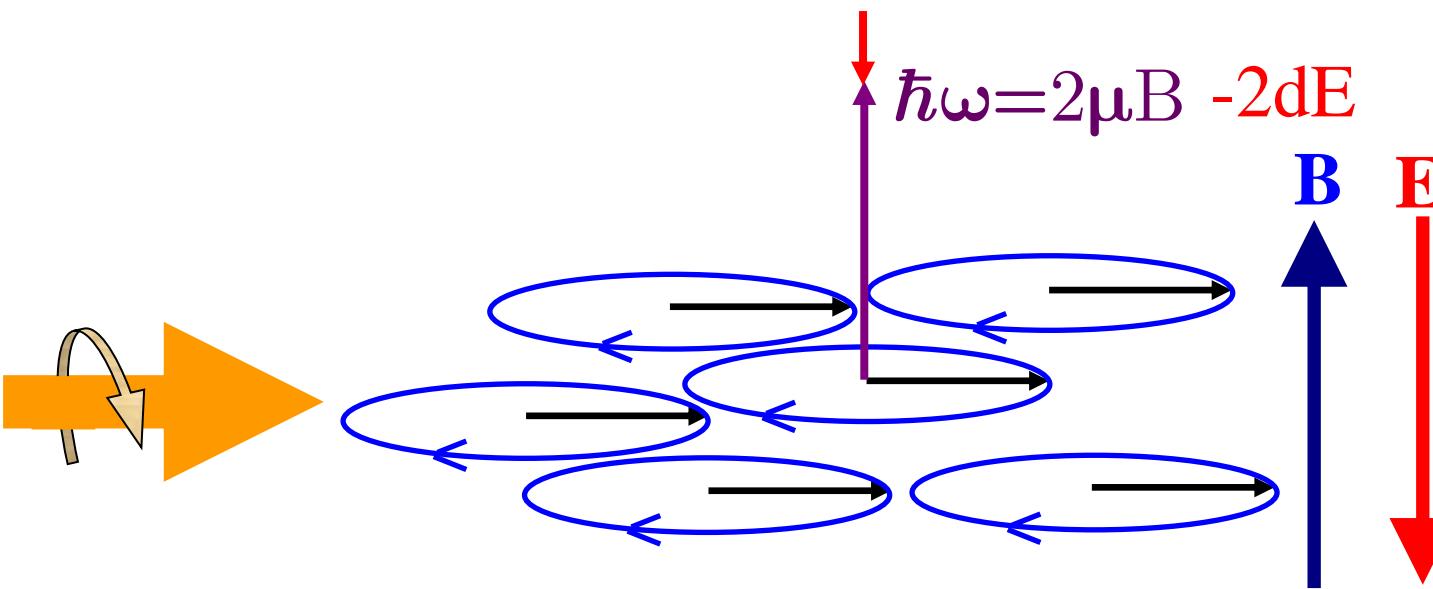
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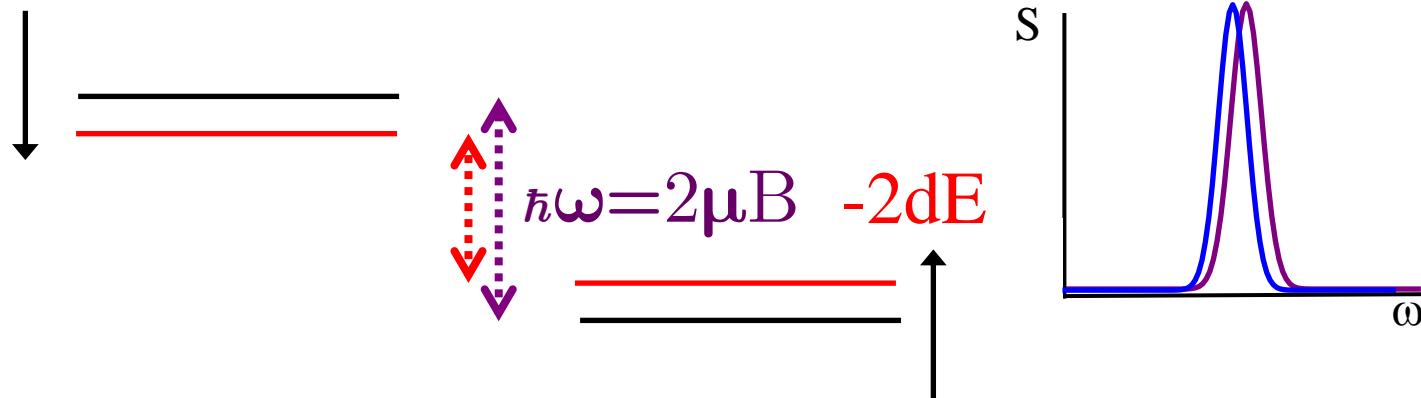
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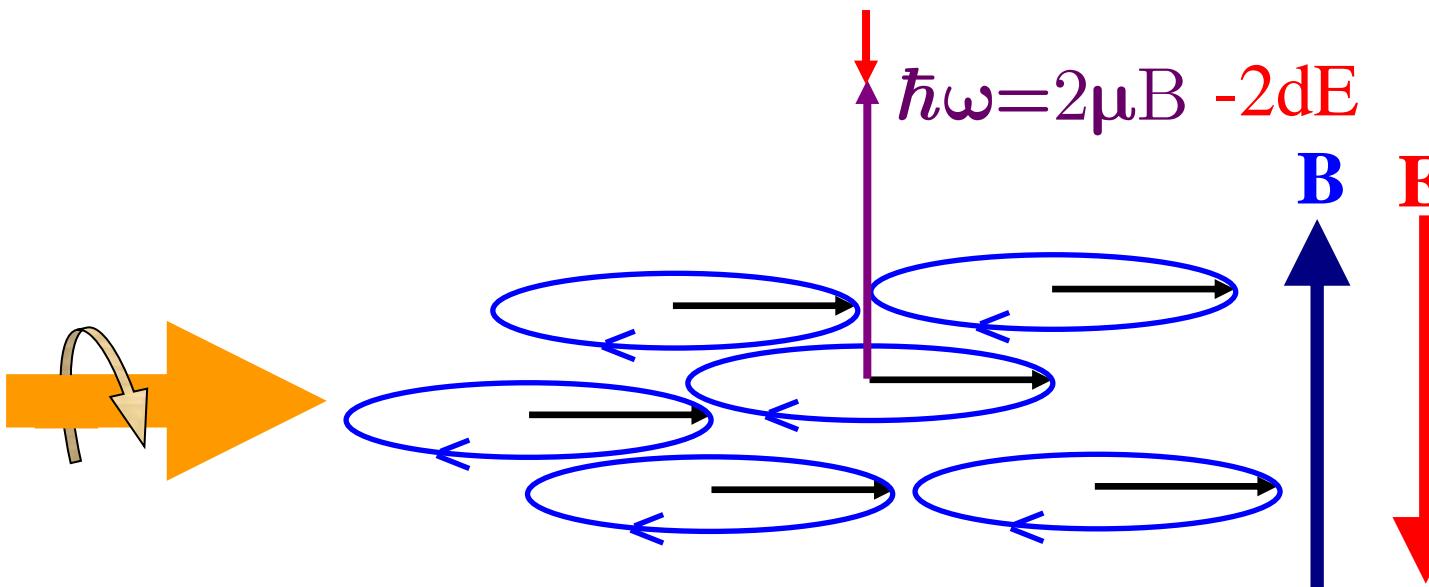
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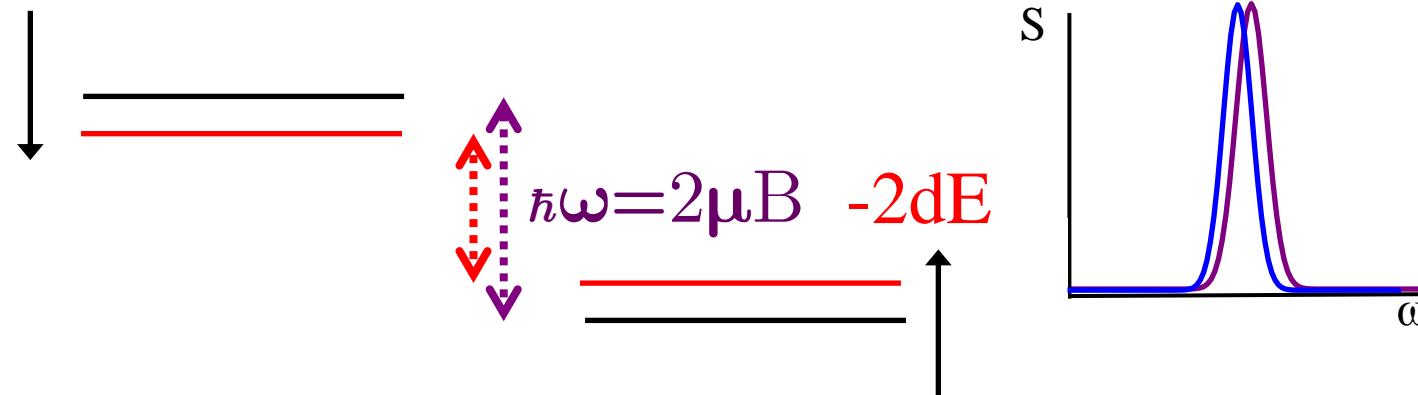


Figure of merit for  
Statistical sensitivity:

$$\frac{\text{shift}}{\text{resolution}} = \frac{d\mathcal{E}}{(\tau_{coh})^{-1} (S/N)^{-1}} \propto \mathcal{E} \cdot \tau_{coh} \cdot \sqrt{\dot{N} \cdot T_{int}}$$

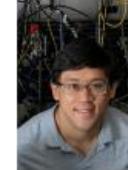
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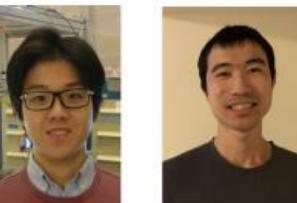
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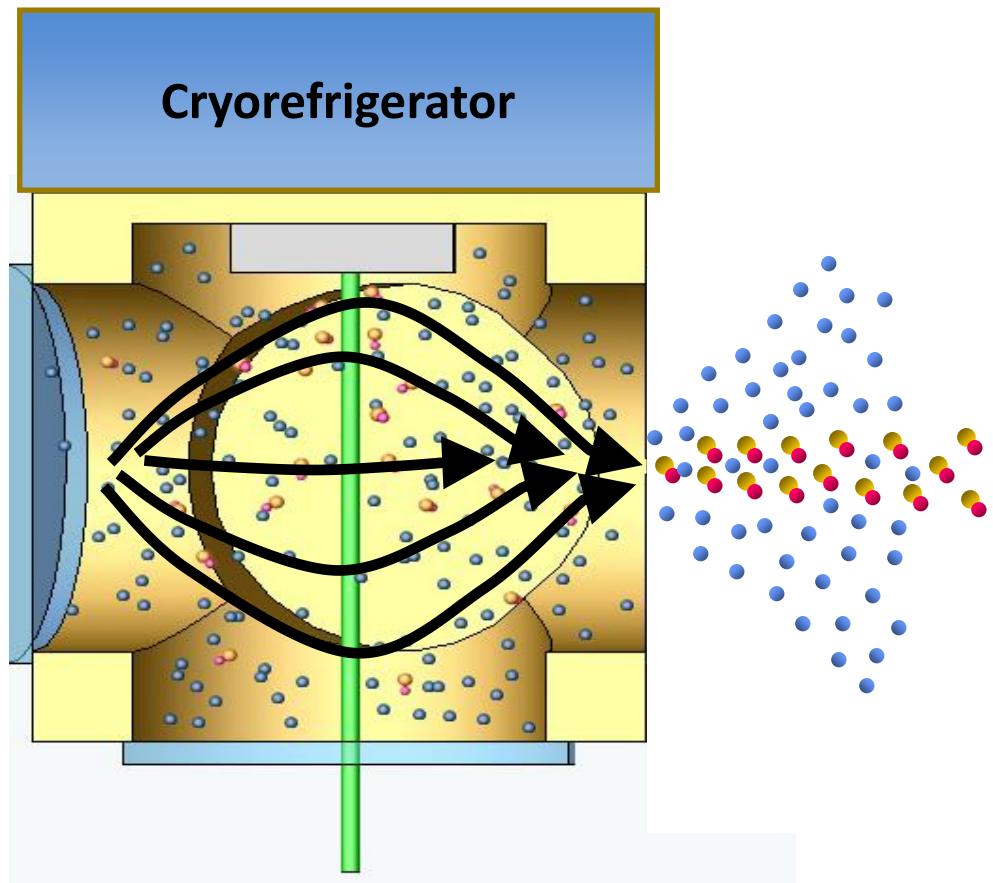
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# New molecular beam technology: hydrodynamically enhanced cryogenic buffer gas beam

[Maxwell *et al.* PRL 2005; Patterson & Doyle JCP 2007;  
Barry *et al.* PCCP 2011; Hutzler *et al.* PCCP 2011]



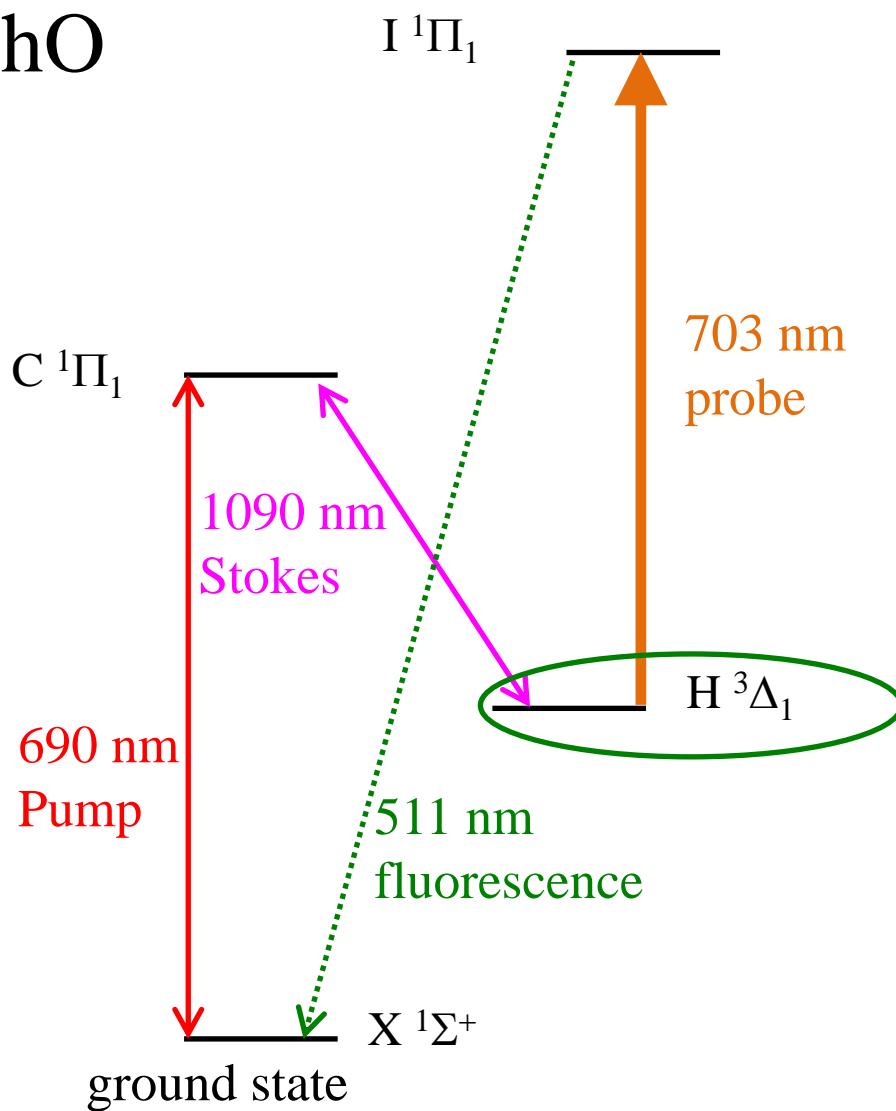
- Inject hot molecules (e.g. via laser ablation)
- Cool w/cryogenic buffer gas @high density
- Efficient extraction to beam  
via “wind” in cell:  $10^{-3} \rightarrow >10\%$
- “Self-collimated” by extraction dynamics
- Rotationally cooled by supersonic expansion
- **Cold** ( $\sim 1\text{-}4\text{ K}$ ) & **moderately slow** ( $v \sim 150\text{-}200\text{ m/s}$ )

Beam brightness  $\sim 10^3 \times$  **larger** than prior sources for refractory/free radical species

# "New" molecular species: ThO\*

[A.C. Vutha *et al.* J. Phys B 2010]

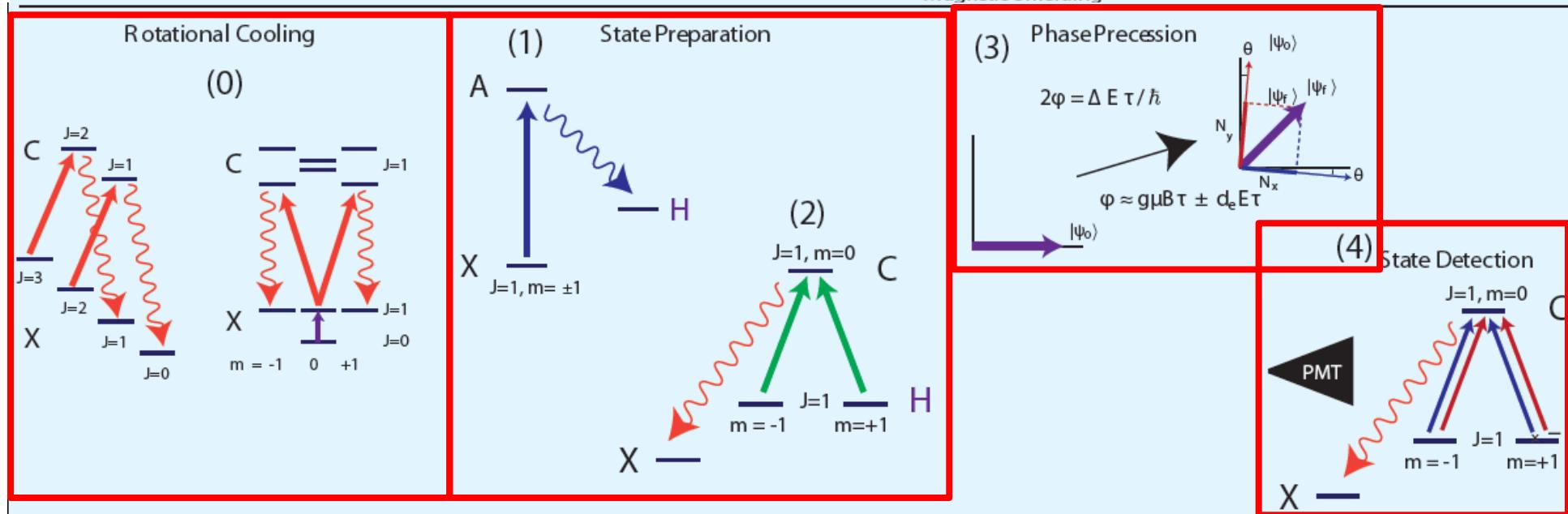
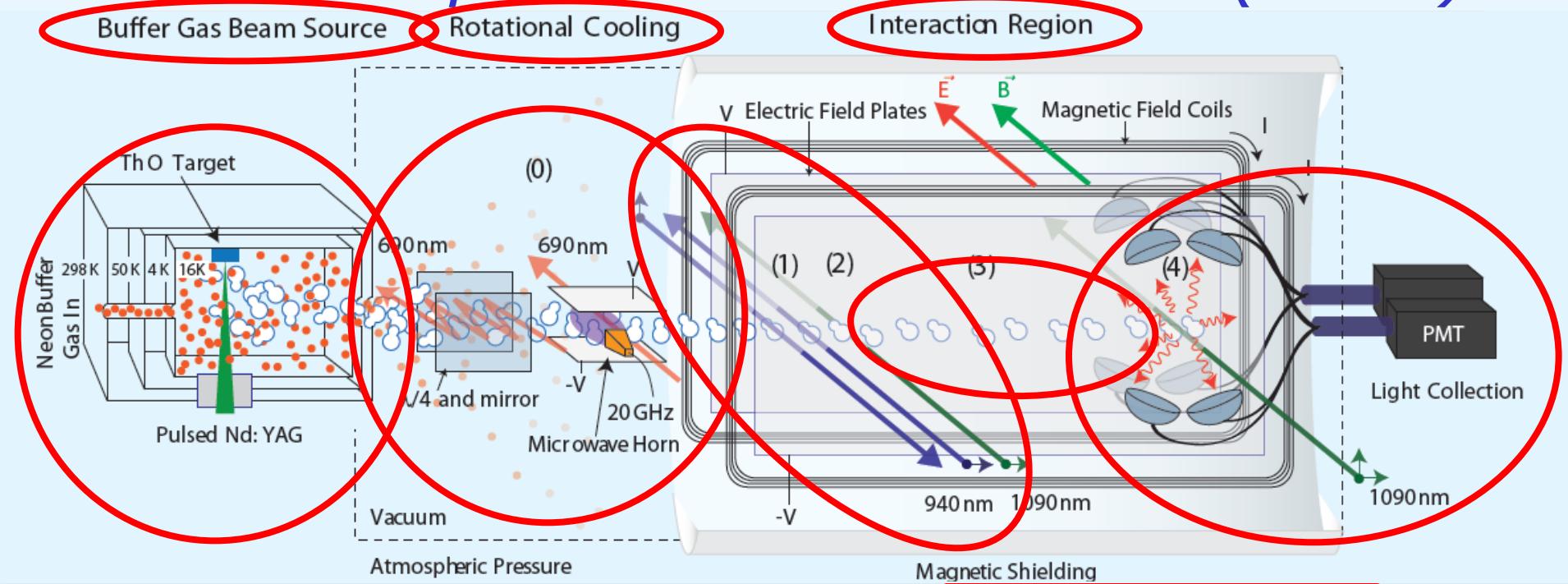
ThO



- **Sufficient coherence time for measurement** in metastable state  $H\ ^3\Delta_1$
- **Largest effective internal  $\mathcal{E}$ :**  $\sim 80 \text{ GV/cm}$   
[Skripnikov et al. (2016), Fleig & Nayak (2016)]
- **Suppressed magnetic moment**  
 $<0.01 \mu_B$  in  $H\ ^3\Delta_1$  reduces  $B$ -field systematics  
[Idea: Meyer, Bohn, Cornell *et al.* (JILA);  
Measured: A.C. Vutha *et al.*, PRA 2011]
- **Omega-doublet co-magnetometer**  
suppresses many possible systematics  
& requires only very modest polarizing  $\mathcal{E}$ -field
  - All spectroscopic data previously known
  - State preparation and readout w/standard, robust diode & fiber lasers
  - Blue-shifted fluorescence from probe laser  
⇒ no problem with backgrounds
- **High beam source yield**

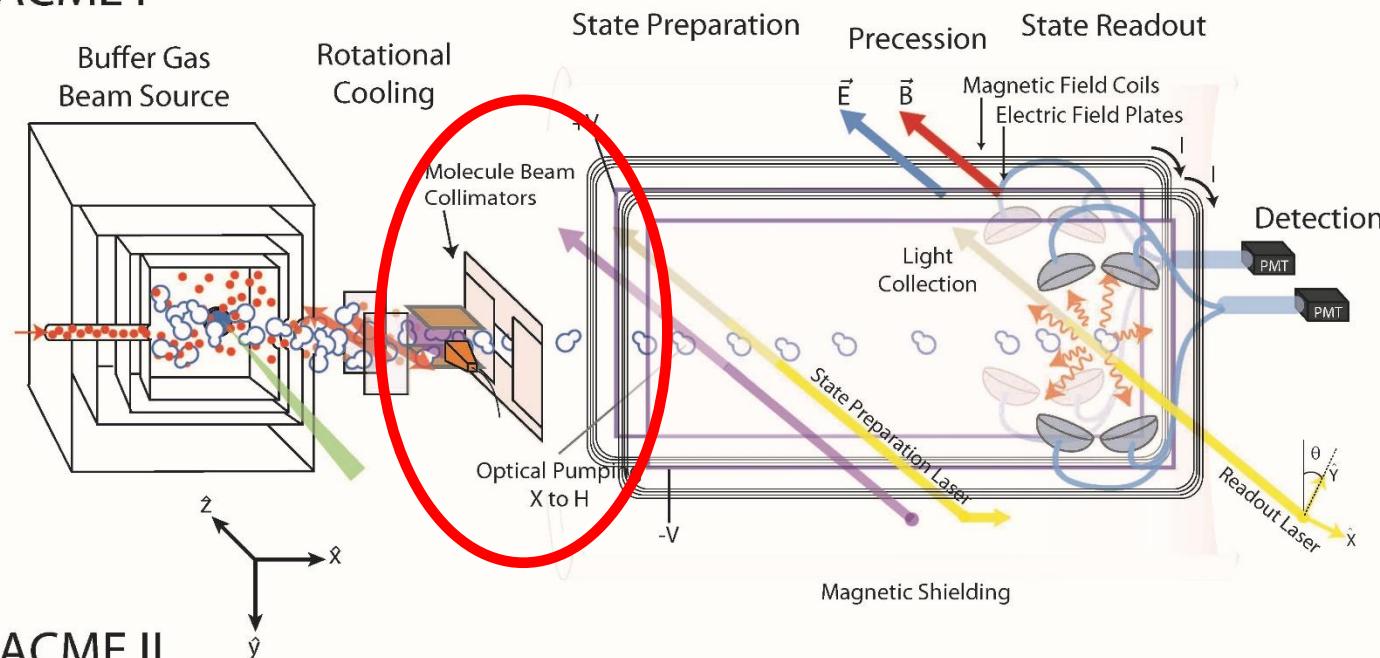


# ACME I experimental schematic (2014)

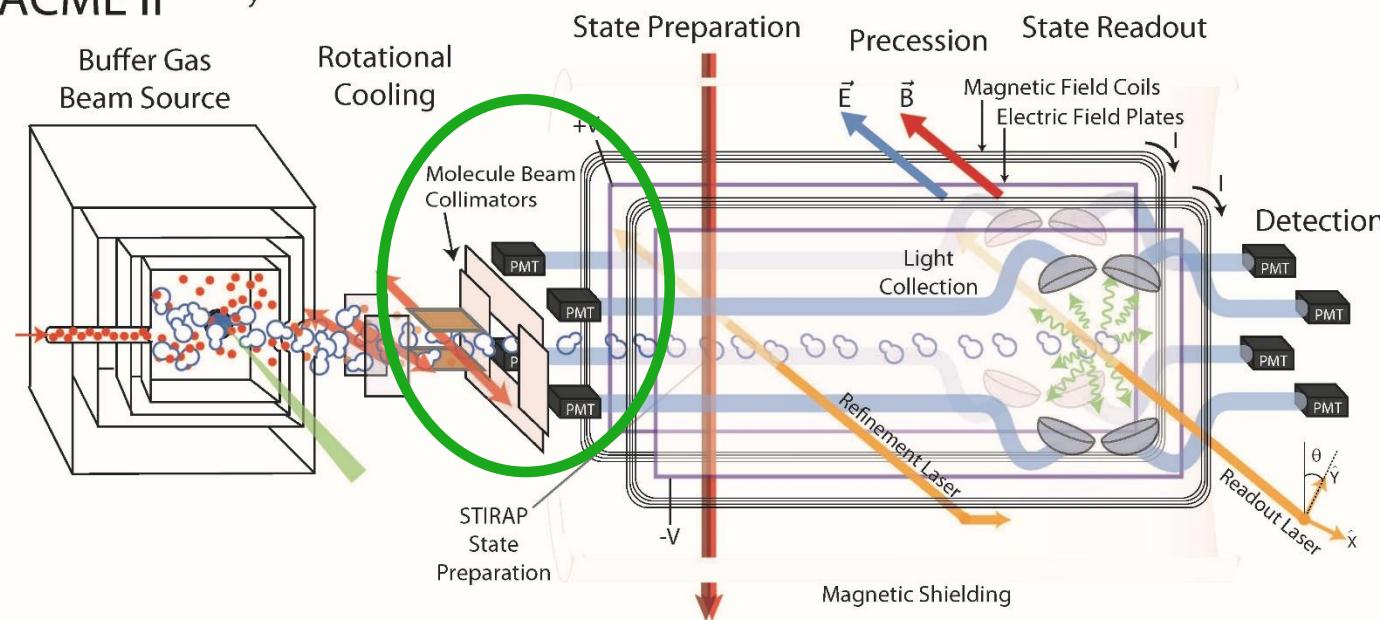


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ACME I



ACME II

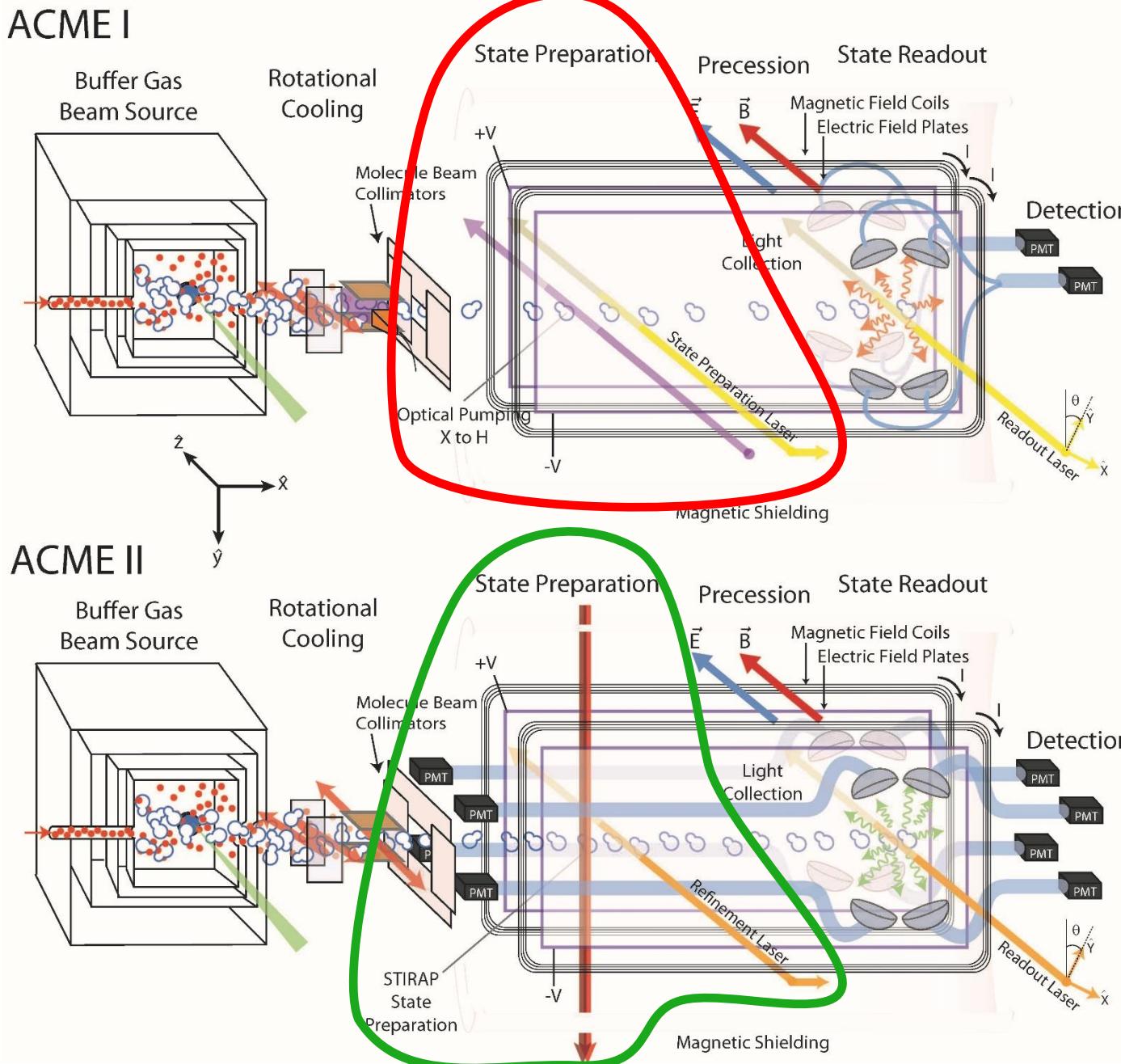


Larger detection region  
+ Increased angular acceptance of  
molecular beam



x8 Signal

# ACME I $\rightarrow$ II upgrades to increase signal



Incoherent  
(opt. pumping)  
state pr

eparation

vs.

Coherent  
(STIRAP)  
state preparation

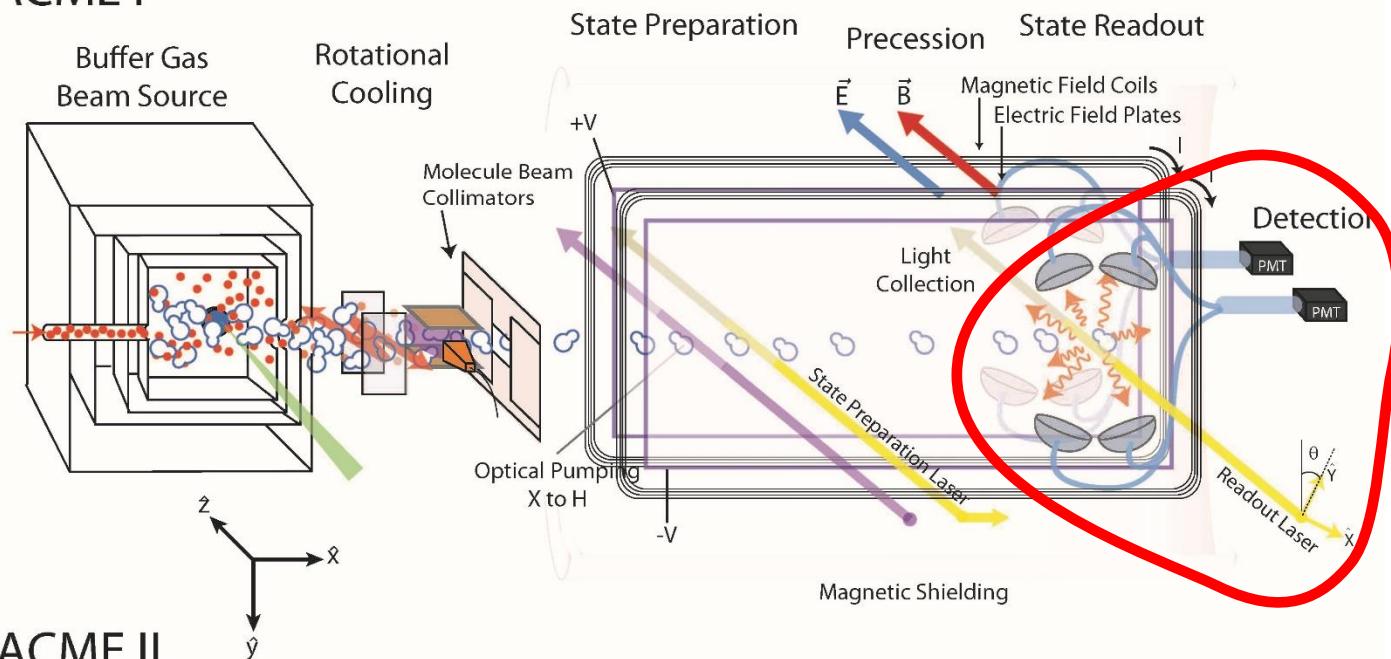


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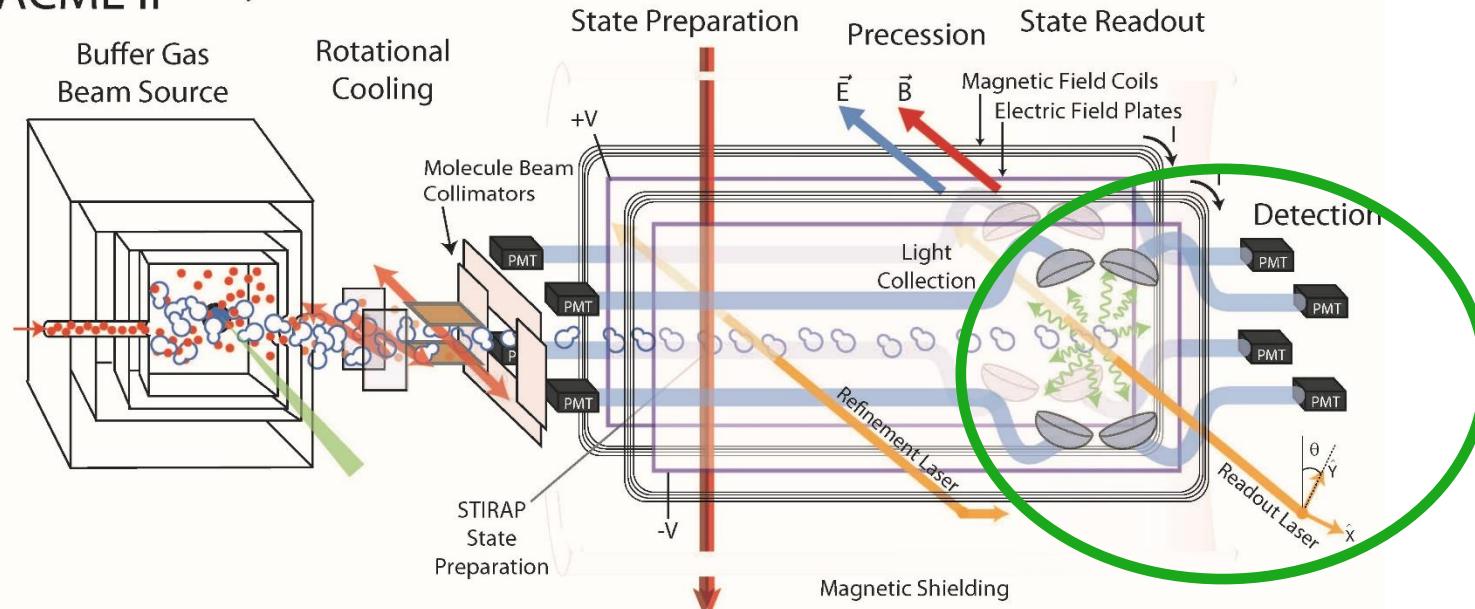
C. Panda *et al.*, PRA (2016)

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ACME II

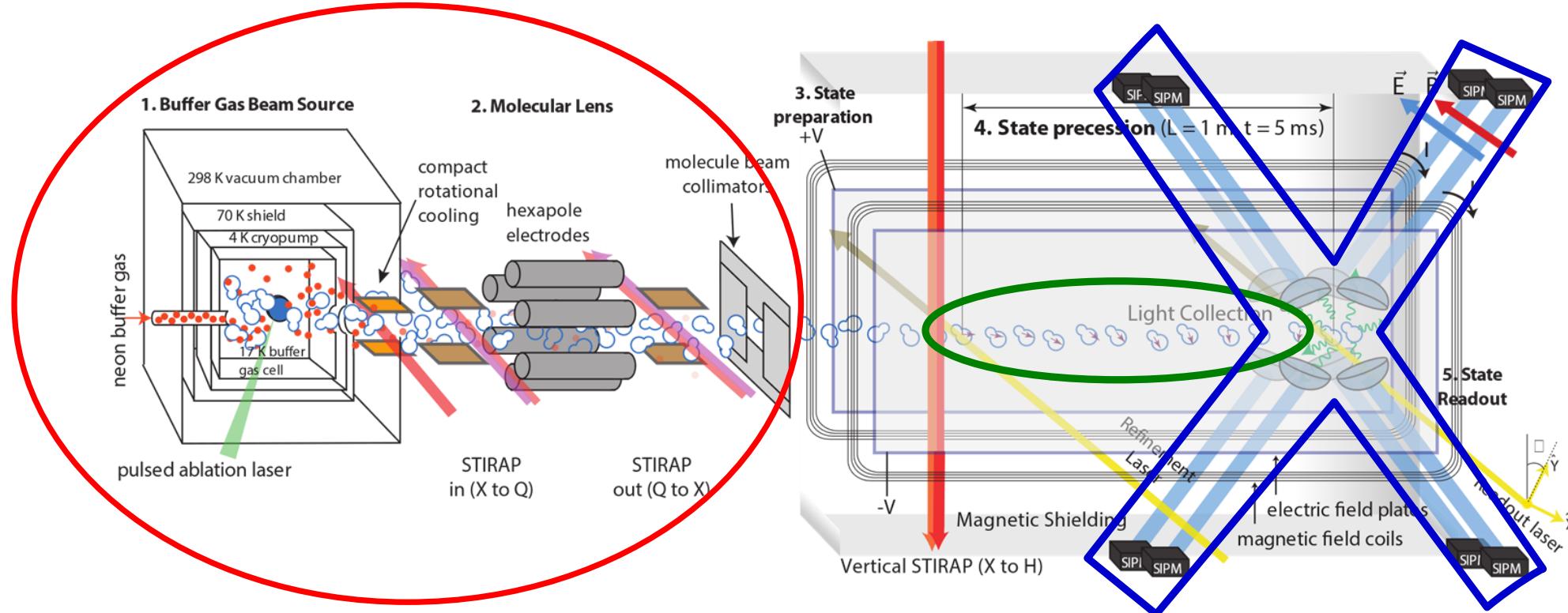


Better detection:  
new probe transition  $\rightarrow$  green vs. red photons,  
better PMTs  
&  
improved optics



x4 Signal

# *ACME III approach*

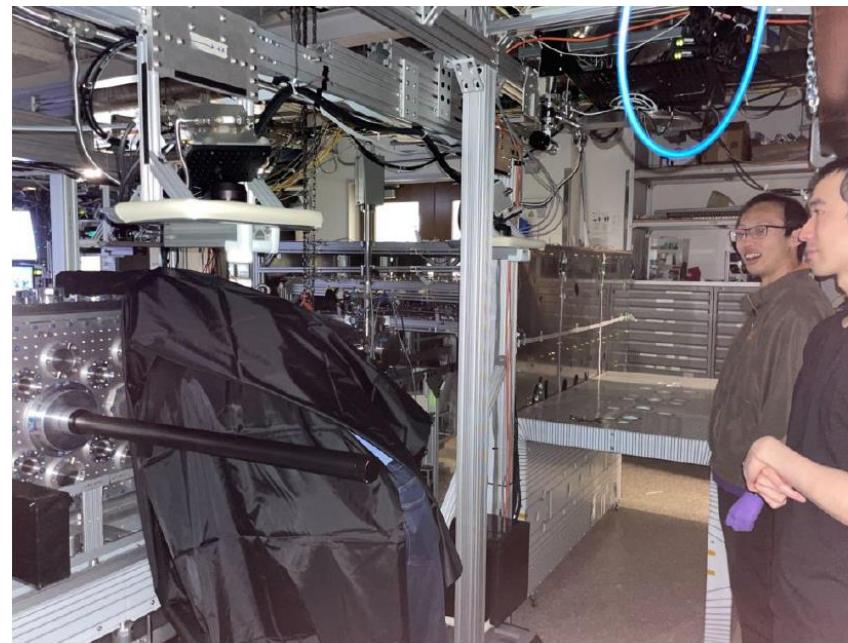
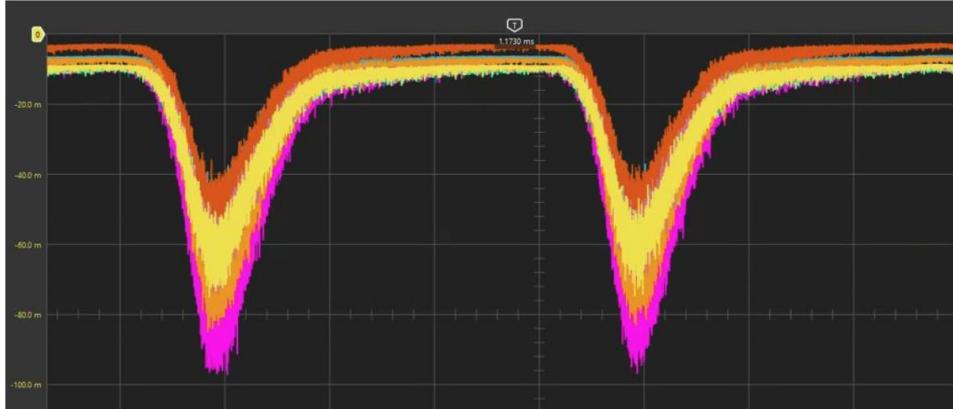


- More useful molecules via molecular lens, improved beam source, etc.
- ~5x longer interaction time via improved state lifetime info
- Better detection efficiency via better detectors & collection optics
- Additional technical improvements to reduce noise & systematic errors

**Bottom line:**  
~30× anticipated improvement in sensitivity

# *Status of ACME III*

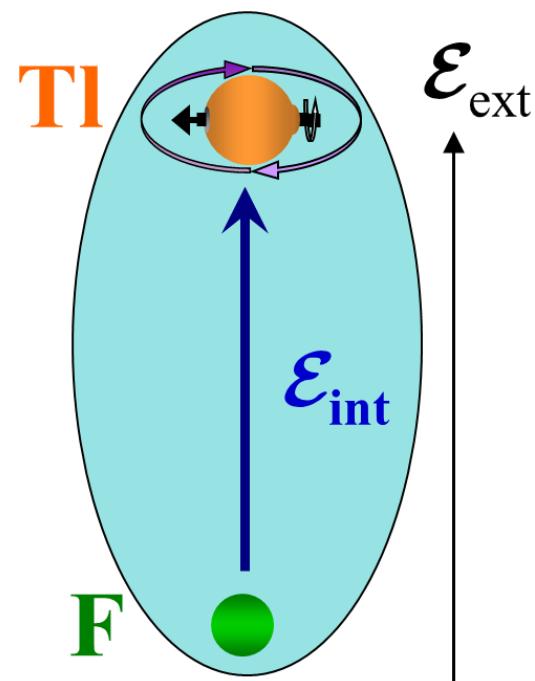
- Critical new subsystems tested at full-scale, full installation nearly complete
- Control of most important known sources of systematics demonstrated at required levels
  - Coming soon: system integration & transition to EDM data taking
  - Excellent prospects to probe electron EDM at level  $d_e < 3 \times 10^{-31} e\cdot\text{cm}$   
**⇒probe scales > 100 TeV** in simple models
- **~4 weeks ago: first signals from ACME III full beamline, detection rate ≥ anticipated!**



# CeNTREX: Cold molecule Nuclear Time-Reversal Experiment

(with T. Zelevinsky [Columbia], D. Kawall [UMass])

New molecule-based search for **nuclear Schiff moment of  $^{205}\text{TI}$**



- State-of-the-art Schiff moment limit from  $^{199}\text{Hg}$  experiment (Seattle)  
***Already sensitive to new physics at ~5 TeV scale***
  - Similar to e-EDM, signals amplified vs atoms  
→ nuclear spin precession in  $^{205}\text{TIF}$  molecules  $\sim 10^4 \times$  **larger than in  $^{199}\text{Hg}$  atoms**
  - $^{205}\text{TI}$  nucleus has unpaired proton  
→ orthogonal sensitivity to new underlying physics vs. other current experiments  
(e.g.  $^{199}\text{Hg}$ ,  $^{171}\text{Yb}$ ,  $^{129}\text{Xe}$  have unpaired neutrons)

**GOAL:** use molecular “enhancement” for  
improved sensitivity to **hadronic** CP-violating interactions at >TeV scale

# CeNTREX Team

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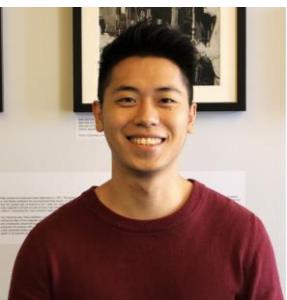
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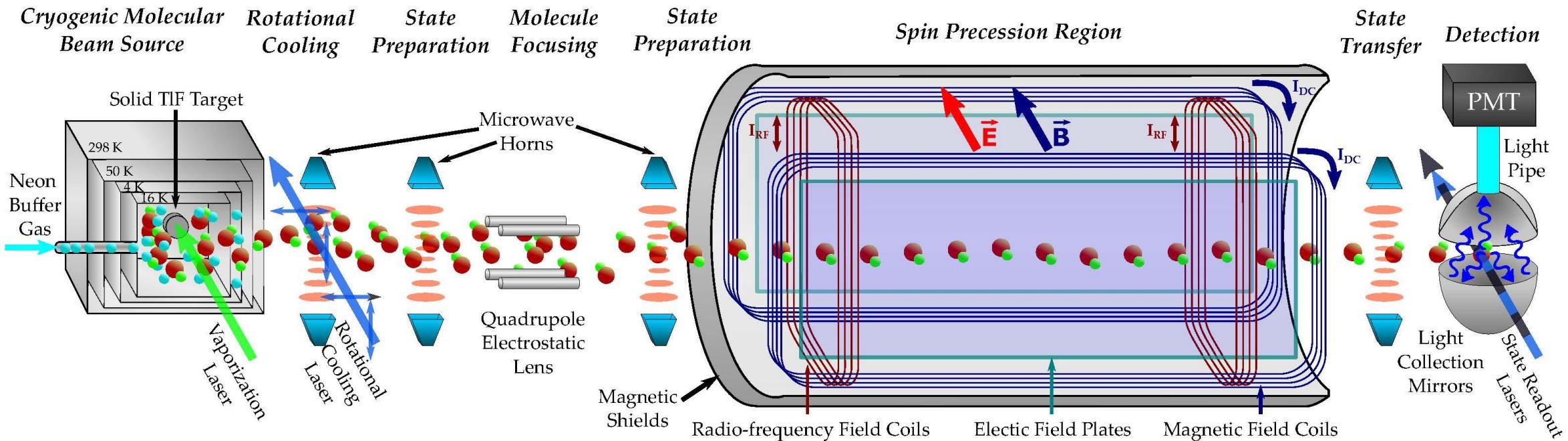


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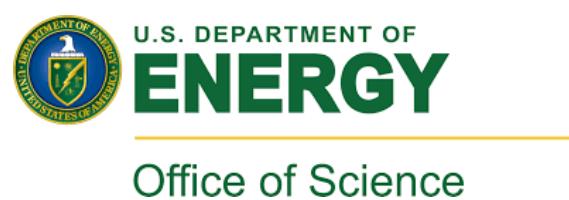
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# CeNTREX "proton EDM" experiment schematic

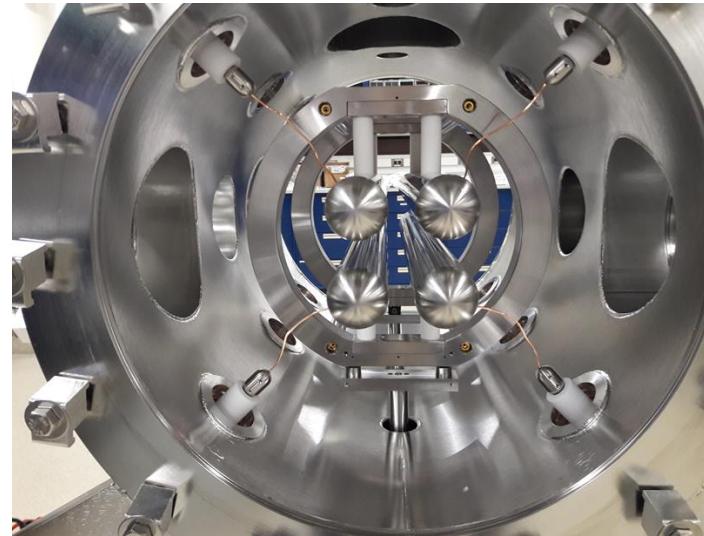
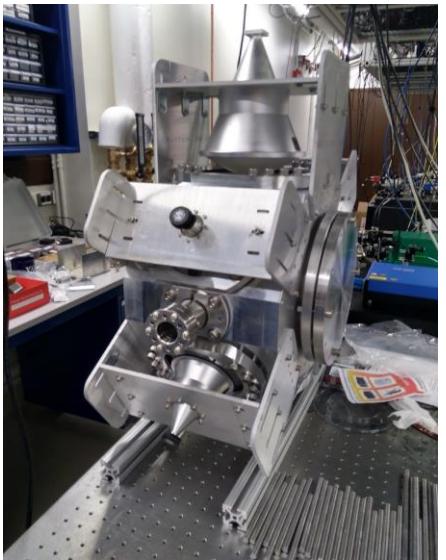
Incorporates **many** methods from ACME III  
(slow molecular beam, rotational cooling, adiabatic state transport, etc.)



Design nearly complete, construction of most functional modules underway or complete  
Conceptual details in J.O. Grasdijk et al., Quant. Sci. Technol. (2021)



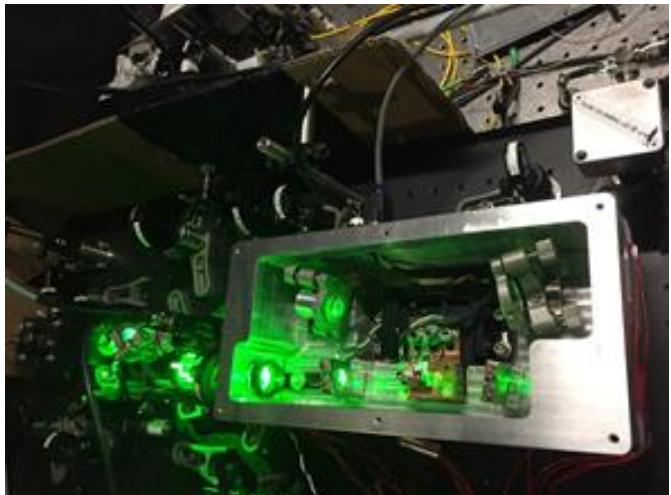
# CeNTREX under construction @ Argonne



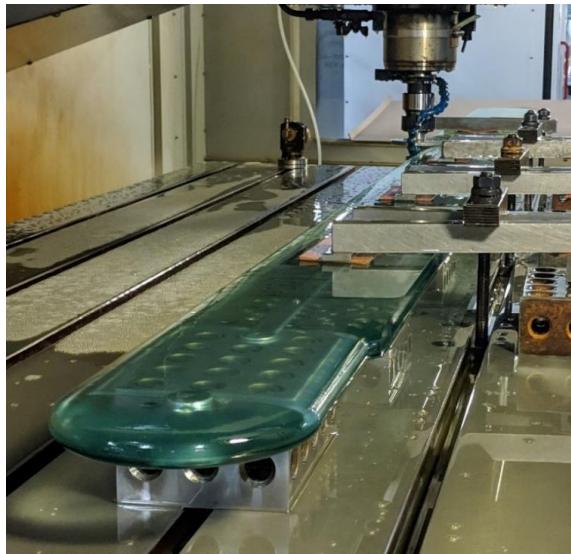
Cryogenic beam source

Rotational cooling

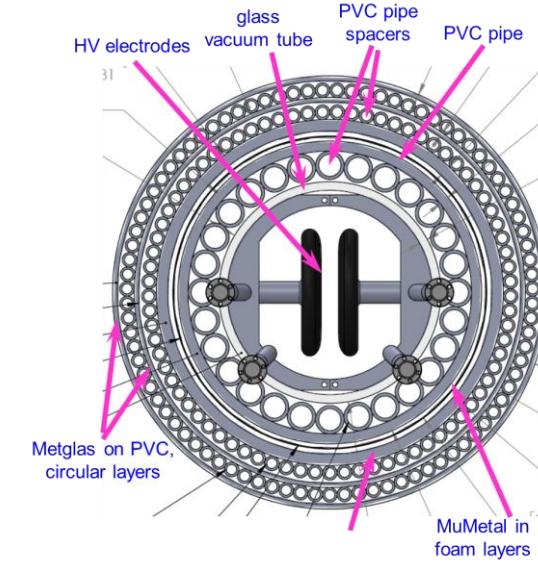
Electrostatic quadrupole lens



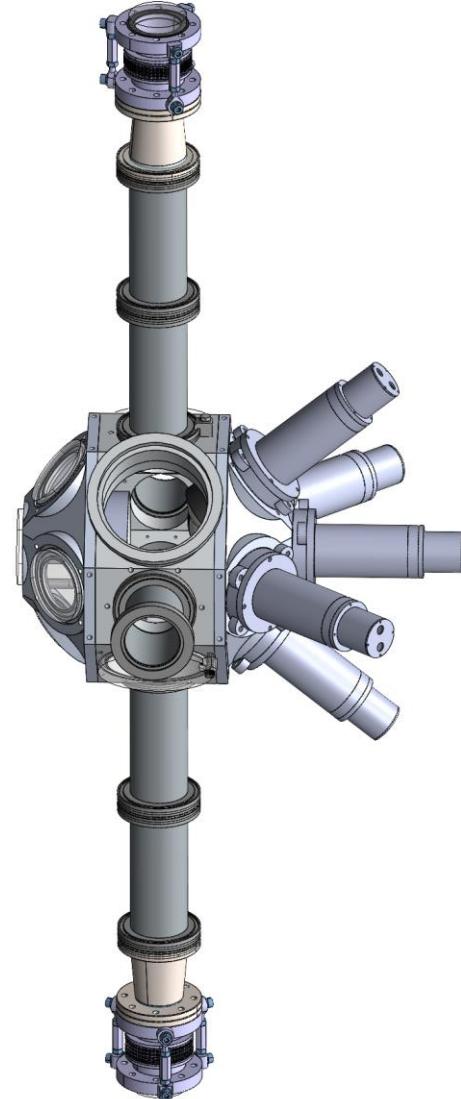
5x tunable UV laser systems



Machined glass electrodes



Magnetic shielding



Detection Region

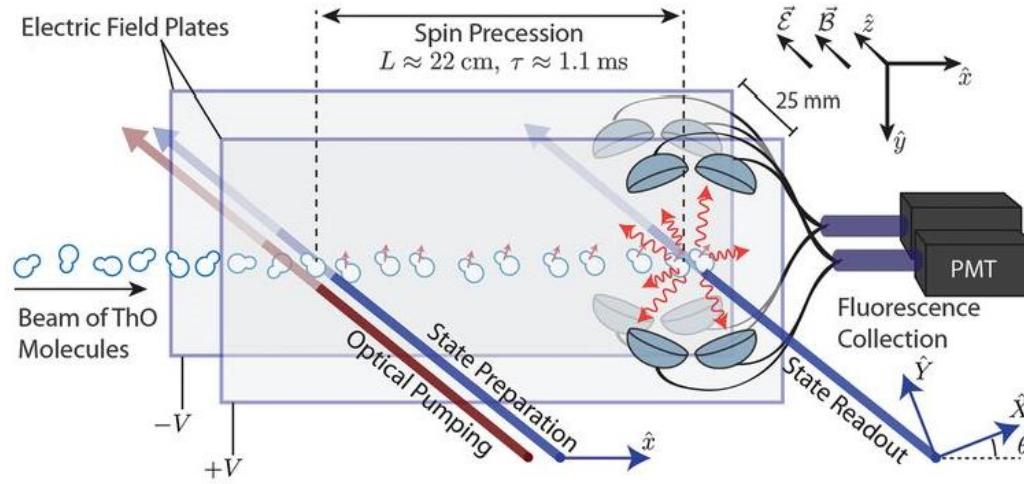
# CeNTREX projected sensitivity vs. state of art hadronic EDMs

System	$^{199}\text{Hg}$	n	$^{205}\text{TlF}$	
Latest result	2016	2020	<i>Projected ~2026</i>	<i>Projected Improvement</i>
Sens. to QCD $\theta$ param. $\partial v/\partial \theta$	0.1 Hz	300 Hz	$10^5$ Hz	
Sens. to quark chromo-EDM $\partial v/\partial \tilde{d}_q$	$1 \times 10^{16}$ Hz/cm	$2 \times 10^{18}$ Hz/cm	$2 \times 10^{20}$ Hz/cm	
Sens. to p/n EDM $\partial v/\partial d_{p/n}$	$1 \times 10^{15}$ Hz/[e·cm]	$2 \times 10^{18}$ Hz/[e·cm]	$6 \times 10^{18}$ Hz/[e·cm]	
Limit on $\theta$	$< 1.5 \times 10^{-10}$	$< 1 \times 10^{-10}$	$< 1 \times 10^{-11}$	$\times 10$ (??)
Limit on $\tilde{d}_q$ (cm)	$\tilde{d}_d$ $< 6 \times 10^{-27}$	--	$0.8\tilde{d}_u + 0.6\tilde{d}_d$ $< 1 \times 10^{-27}$	$\times 5^*$
Limit on $d_n$ (e·cm)	$< 1.6 \times 10^{-26}$	$< 1.8 \times 10^{-26}$	Not competitive	
Limit on $d_p$ (e·cm)	$< 2 \times 10^{-25}$	Not competitive	$< 2 \times 10^{-26}$	$\times 10$

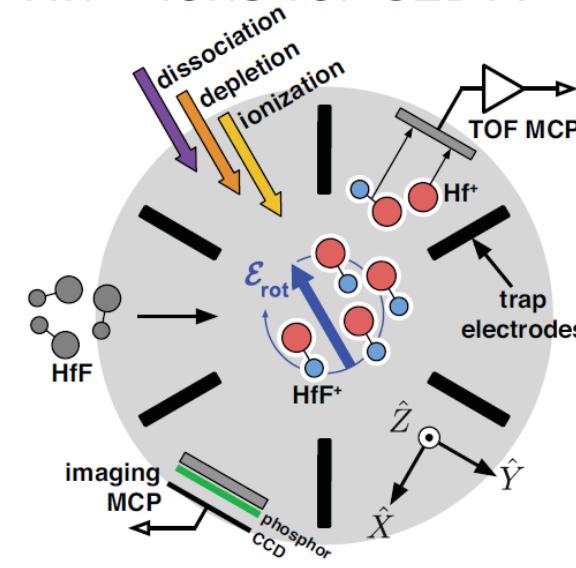
\*sensitive to different linear combination of parameters vs comparisons

# Cold molecules for EDMs now: $\lesssim 10K$ , fairly slow, dilute

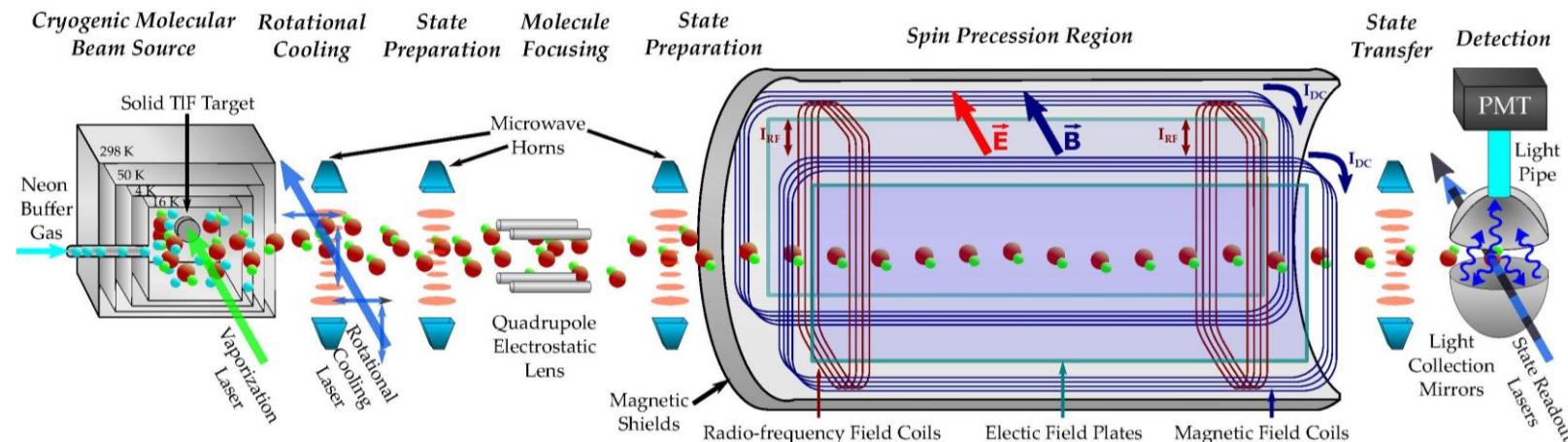
## ACME II ThO cryogenic beam for eEDM



## JILA trapped cryogenic HfF<sup>+</sup> ions for eEDM



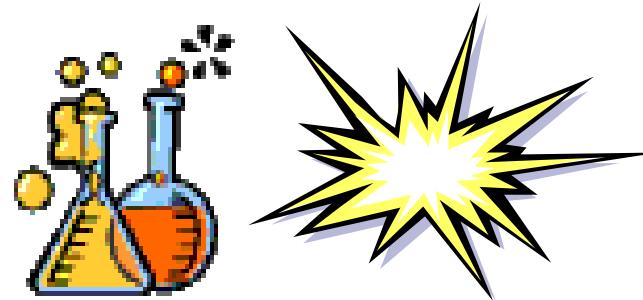
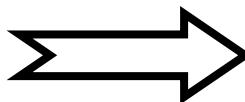
## CeNTREX TlF cryogenic beam for <sup>205</sup>Tl NSM



# *How to make ultracold molecules?*



Cooling

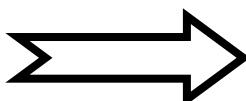


Chemistry  
(make molecules)

**OR**



Chemistry  
(make molecules)



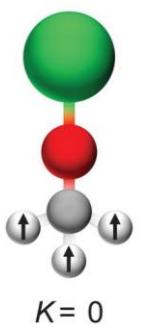
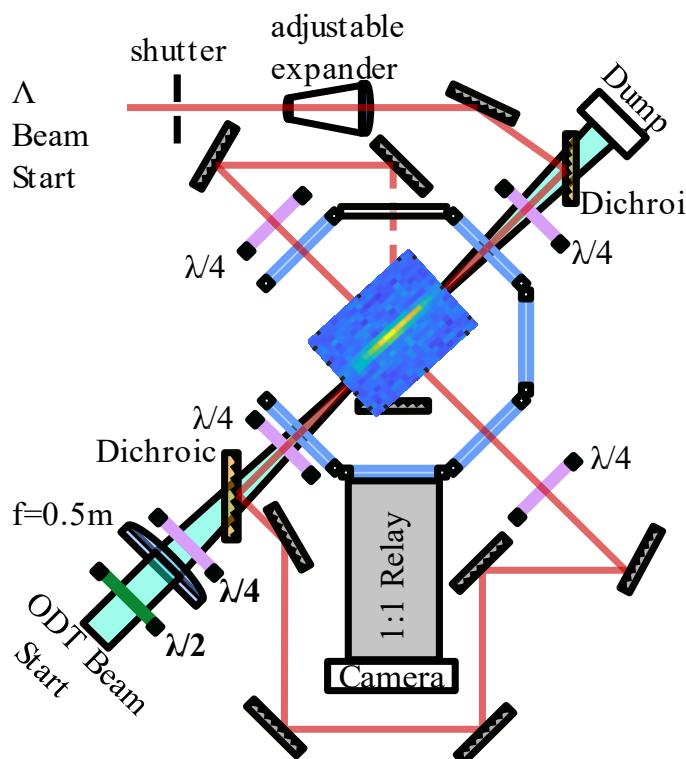
Cooling

Slide from:  
Jun Ye,  
JILA

# Rapidly advancing: direct laser cooling & trapping of molecules

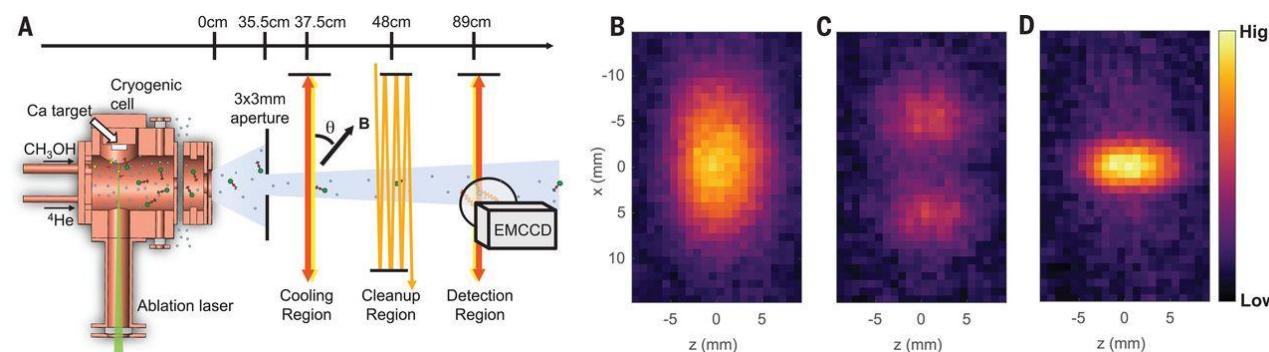
## Optical dipole traps

[Harvard Nat.Phys. 2018;  
JILA PRX 2020;  
UChicago PRL 2021]



## Laser cooling + trapping of polyatomics

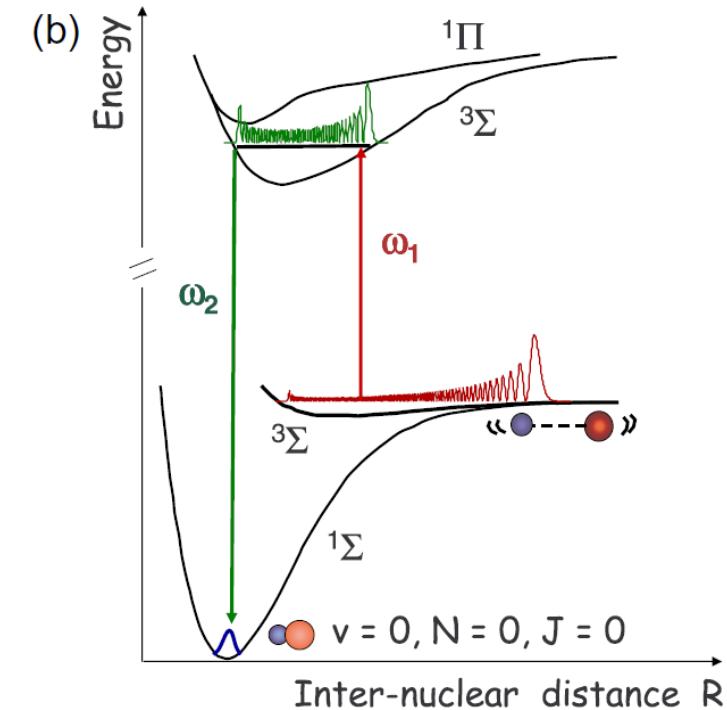
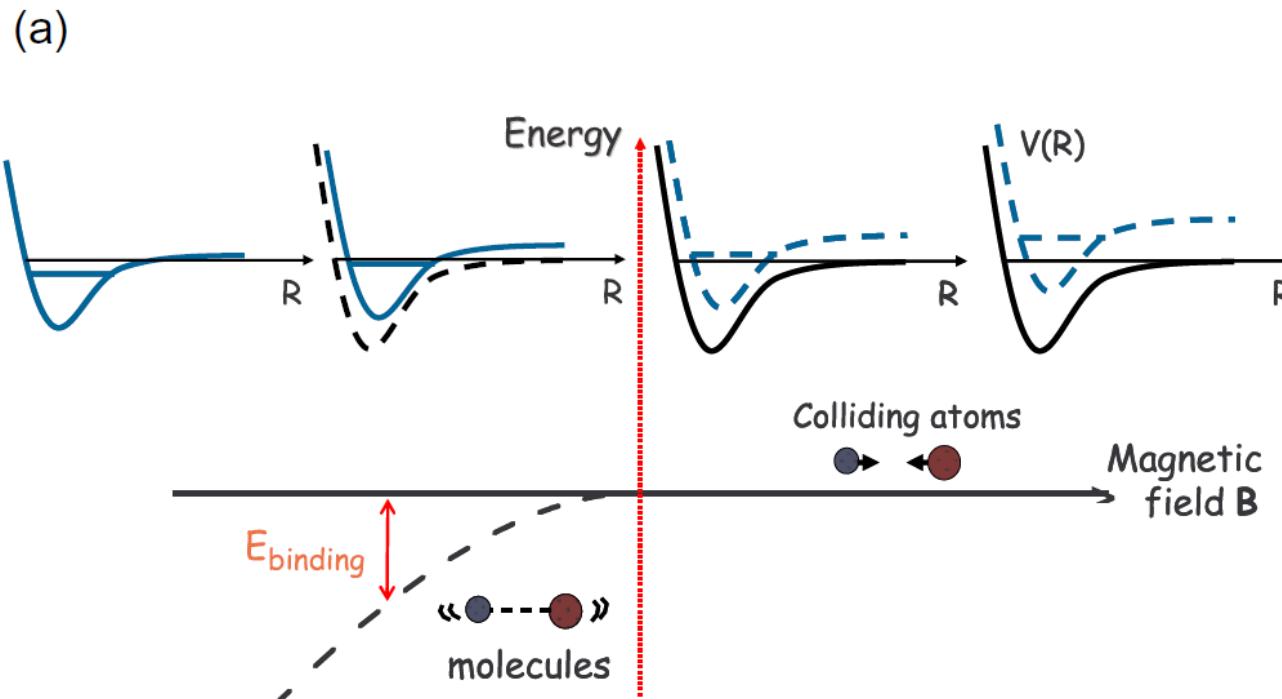
[Harvard Science 2020, Nature 2022, PRL 2023]



Species	PI	Location
SrF/TlF	DeMille	UChicago
CaF/CaOH/YbOH/ SrOH/CaOCH <sub>3</sub>	Doyle	Harvard
CaF/YbF	Tarbutt	Imperial
YO	Ye	JILA
CaF	Cheuk	Princeton
BaH/CaH/CaD	Zelevinsky	Columbia
BaF	Yan	Zhejiang
CaF	Ospelkaus	Hannover
TlF	Hunter	Amherst
AlCl/CH	McCarron	UConn
MgF	Chae	Korea
MgF	Yin	ECN-Shanghai
AlF	Truppe	FHI
AlCl	Hemmerling	UC Riverside
BaF	Langen	Stuttgart
YbOH	Hutzler	Caltech
RaF/RaOH	Garcia-Ruiz, Hutzler, Doyle	

**Status:** 3 molecular species in optical traps,  $T \sim 10 \mu\text{K}$ , no heavy species (yet), only open-shell species (so far)

# Most advanced method: "assembly" from ultracold alkali atoms



**Efficient, coherent transfer with no added entropy/heating**

ultracold atom pairs → weakly-bound molecules → absolute ground state molecules

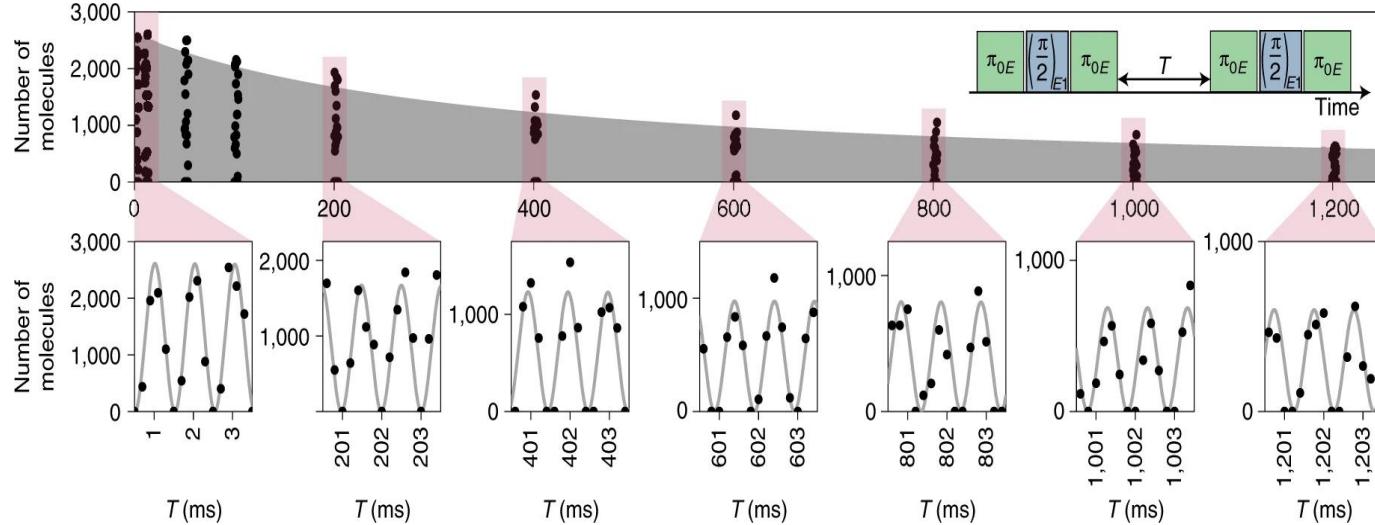
**Most alkali+alkali pairs (closed electron shells) have been assembled:**

KRb, NaK, RbCs, NaRb, LiNa\*, NaCs, ... (BUT no other polar species, e.g. open shell)

# *Advanced control with “assembled” polar molecules*

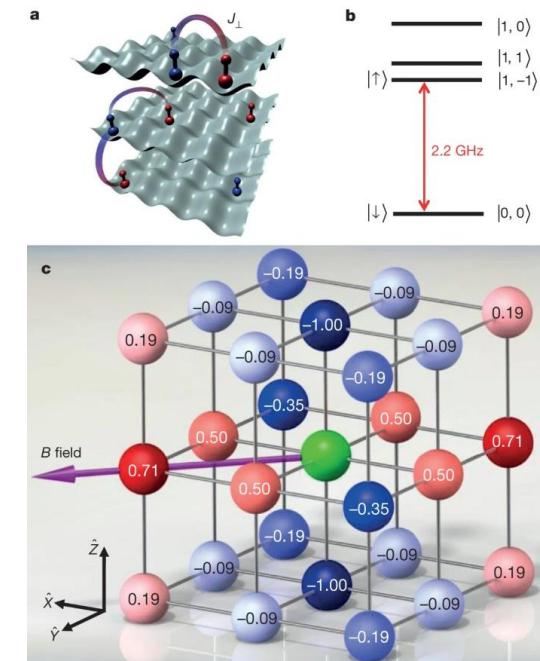
>5s coherence time for nuclear spins

PD Gregory et al., Nat. Phys. 2021



# 3D volume entanglement via dipole-dipole interactions

JILA  
Nature (2013)



**Inherit desirable properties from ultracold atom gases:**

Efficient use of atoms ( $\sim 50\%$  from trapped gas),  $N_{\text{mol}} > 10^4$  typical

## Optically trapped, $T \sim 100$ nK →

# High-fidelity state preparation and readout

# Dense & ultracold

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## Proposals for e-EDM via *direct* laser cooling & trapping

- Laser cooled beam/fountain of YbF  ${}^2\Sigma$  for eEDM [Imperial College]  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}} \sim 24 \text{ GV/cm}$
- Stark-decelerated/laser cooled BaF  ${}^2\Sigma$  beam for eEDM [Groningen]  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}} \sim 8 \text{ GV/cm}$
- Laser-cooled bent polyatomics: YbOH, YbCCCa for eEDM, YbCCAl for SM  
[Caltech + Harvard + Toronto]  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}} \sim 24 \text{ GV/cm}$
- Laser cooled RaF/RaOH  ${}^2\Sigma$  [MIT, Harvard, Caltech...]  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}} \sim 60 \text{ GV/cm}$

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## **An old tale of woe...**

### **Electron electric-dipole-moment searches based on alkali-metal- or alkaline-earth-metal-bearing molecules**

Edmund R. Meyer\* and John L. Bohn

PHYSICAL REVIEW A **80**, 042508 (2009)

Molecule	$\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}}$ (GV/cm)	$\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}}$ ( $\text{\AA}$ )	$\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}}$ (Yb)	$d_m$
YbRb $X\ ^2\Sigma$	-0.70	0.45	-1.15	0.21
YbCs $X\ ^2\Sigma$	0.54	1.42	-0.88	0.24

Yb-alkali species  $\Rightarrow$  tiny  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}}$ ,  $\sim 100x$  smaller than in ThO\* ☹

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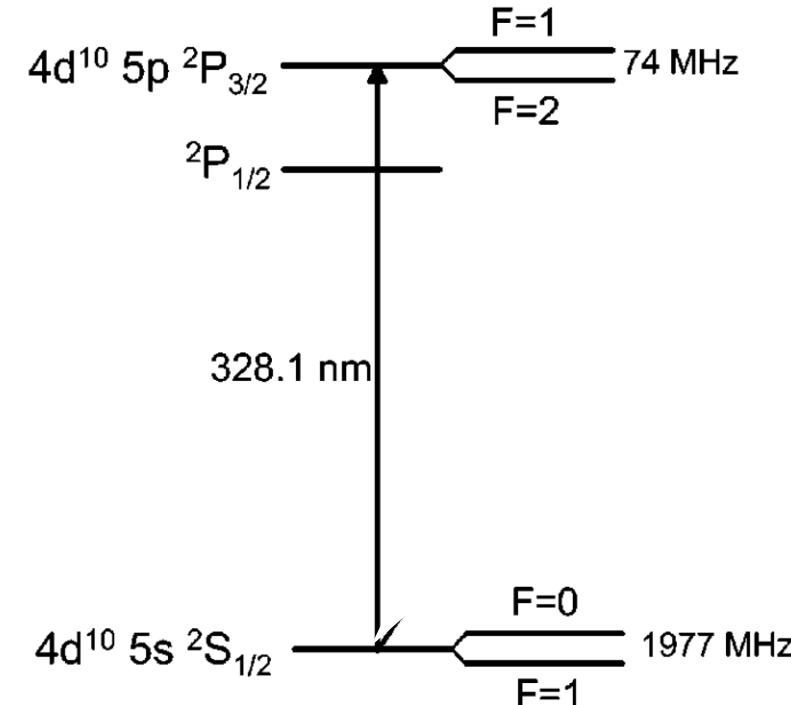
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...but UV lasers ☹

PHYSICAL REVIEW A, VOLUME 62, 063404  
**Magneto-optical trapping of silver atoms**

G. Uhlenberg, J. Dirscherl,\* and H. Walther



# *Enhanced nuclear Schiff moment in pear-shaped nuclei*

Auerbach, Flambaum, Spevak  
PRA 1996



(Image:  
V.V. Flambaum)

## Intrinsic Schiff moment:

$$S_{\text{intr}} \approx eZR_N^3 \frac{9\beta_2\beta_3}{20\pi\sqrt{35}}$$

- $\beta_2 \approx 0.2$  - quadrupole deformation
- $\beta_3 \approx 0.1$  - octupole deformation



- Rotational structure of octupole-deformed nucleus analogous to rotational structure of molecules  
→large polarizability →**enhanced nuclear Schiff moment**

- Compared to  $^{199}\text{Hg}$  (state of the art),  
**~1000x larger signals expected** for a few heavy nuclei:  
 $^{223}\text{Rn}$ ,  $^{223}\text{Ra}$ ,  $^{225}\text{Ra}$ ,  $^{227}\text{Ac}$ ,  $^{223}\text{Fr}$ , ...

# *Assembled silver + alkaline-earth molecules for “ultimate” eEDM search?*

Theoretical aspects of radium-containing molecules  
amenable to assembly from laser-cooled atoms  
for new physics searches

T. Fleig and DD 2021  
*New J. Phys.* **23** 113039



T. Fleig,  
Toulouse

## Existence Proof: RaAg

- Ra (alkaline earth) = heaviest laser-cooled atom ( $Z=90$ ) [Argonne]  
--Long-lived  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  available in macroscopic quantities
- $\text{Ra}^+\text{Ag}^- \ ^2\Sigma$  ground state w/valence electron on  $\text{Ra}^+$  ( $Z=90$ )  
 $\Rightarrow$  Large  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}}$ , similar to 60 GV/cm in RaF
- Large dipole moment [ionic bond] & small rotational constant [Ag is heavy]  
 $\Rightarrow$  Small  $\mathcal{E}$ -field sufficient for polarization

All expectations for AgRa verified:  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}} = 65 \text{ GV/cm}$   
 $\mu = 5.4\text{D}; B_e = 630 \text{ MHz} \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{\text{pol}} = 260 \text{ V/cm}$

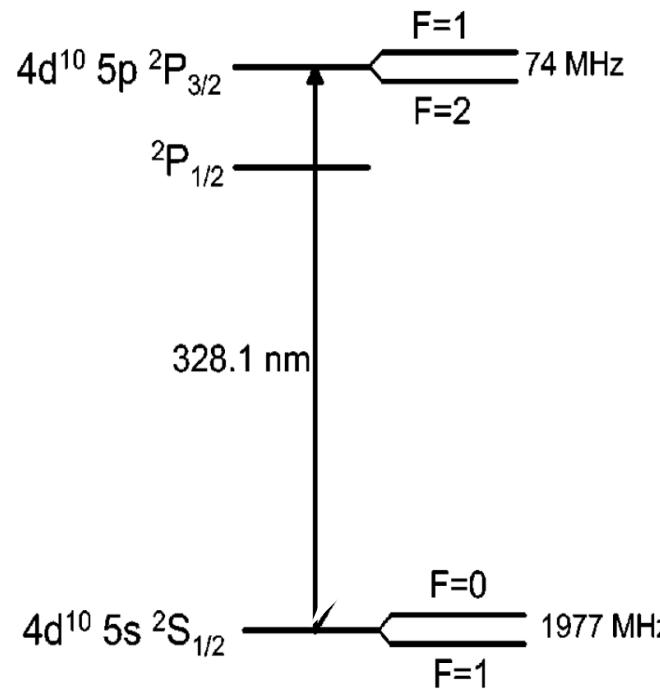
# *Assembled molecules for next-gen nuclear Schiff moment*

## **223FrAg identified as VERY promising**

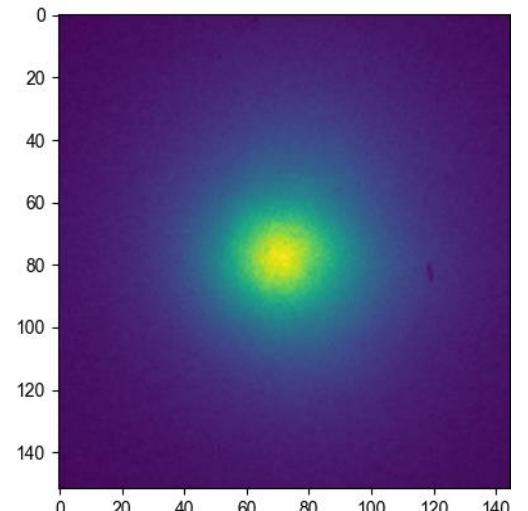
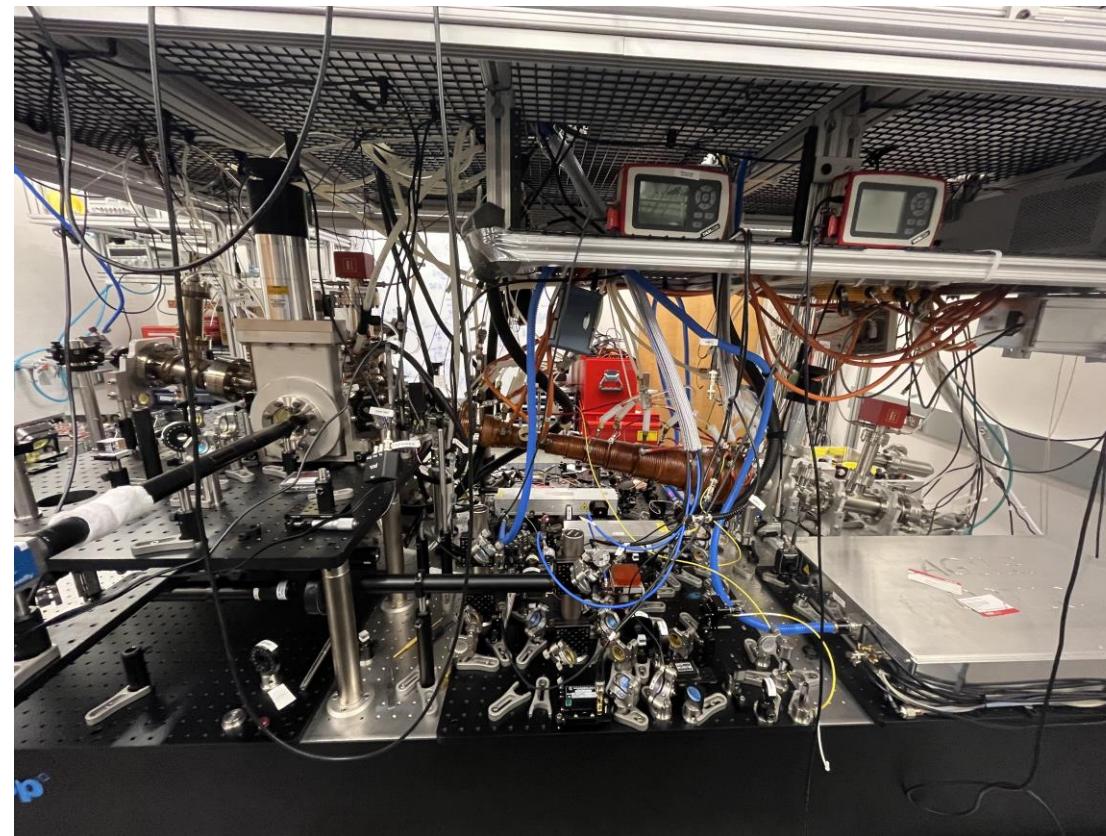
A. Marc, M. Hubert, T. Fleig  
PRA **108**, 062815 (2023)

- Atom cooling & molecule assembly analogous to other bi-alkalis,  **$N \sim 10^4$  ALREADY TYPICAL**
  - In bialkali RbCs: nuclear spin **coherence time  $>5$  s** **ALREADY DEMONSTRATED**
- $^{223}\text{Fr}$  ( $t_{1/2} = 22$  min) has nuclear octupole deformation  $\rightarrow \sim 300\text{-}1000\times$  enhanced **Schiff moment**
  - ***Efficient collection & trapping of radioactive alkalis: established***
  - Can get continuous  $^{223}\text{Fr}$  flux from decay of long-lived  $^{227}\text{Ac}$  (20 yr)  
 $\rightarrow$  ***no online beam time needed***

# *First magneto-optic trap of silver atoms in 20+ years @ UChicago!*



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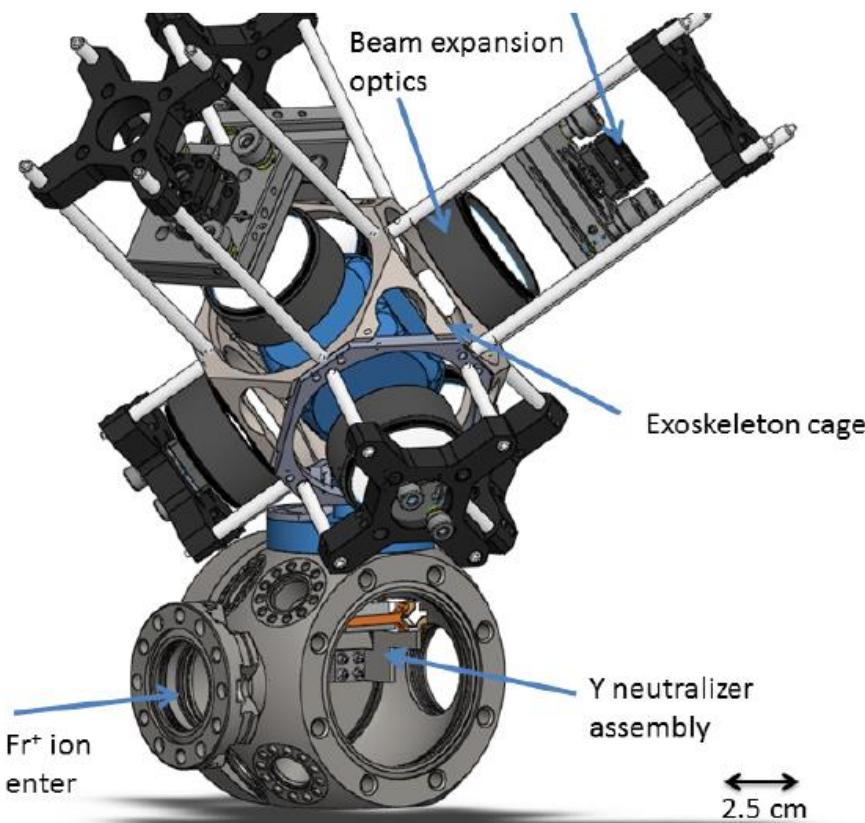
**NEXT:** measure Ag-Ag ultracold scattering properties

**Aside:** Ag-alkali molecules have huge dipole moments: good for qubits, quantum simulation, etc.

# Trapping Fr atoms: a solved problem(!)

## Commissioning of the Francium Trapping Facility at TRIUMF JINST 8 P12006

M. Tandecki,<sup>a</sup> J. Zhang,<sup>b</sup> R. Collister,<sup>c</sup> S. Aubin,<sup>d</sup> J.A. Behr,<sup>a</sup> E. Gomez,<sup>e</sup>  
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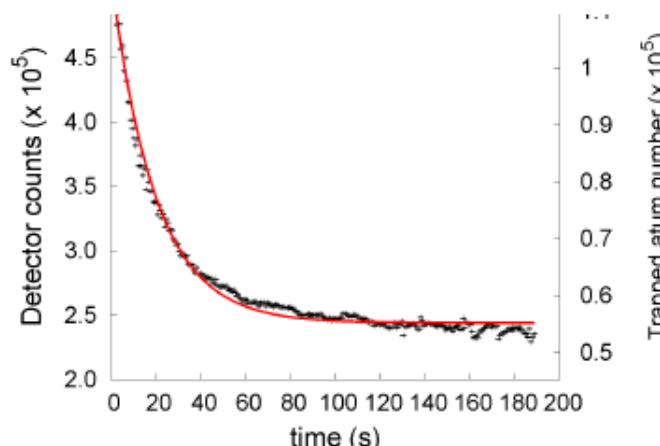
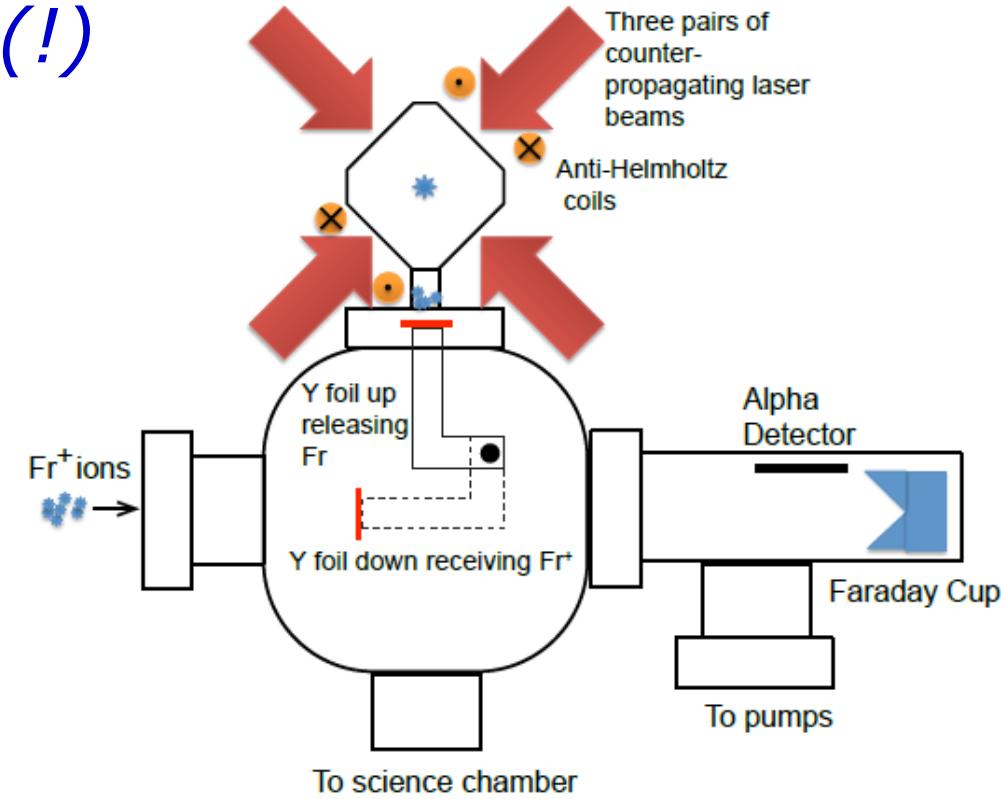
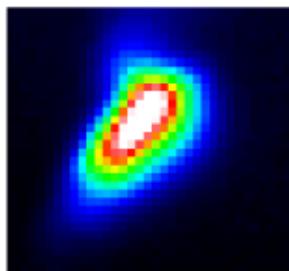


Figure 8. Fr MOT performance. a) False color CCD image of the MOT fluorescence of a cloud of about  $10^5$   $^{209}\text{Fr}$  trapped at the FTF. The pixel size of the camera is  $6.7 \times 6.7 \mu\text{m}^2$ ; an area of  $0.86 \times 0.86 \text{ mm}^2$  is shown.

# *Making $^{223}\text{Fr}$ without accelerator beam time*

## **Approaches to $^{223}\text{Fr}^+$ beam for 1<sup>st</sup>-gen NSM search**

- Demonstrated method with shorter-lived Fr and Rb isotopes:  
Use decay from longer-lived precursor + standard alkali-ion extraction

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SEPTEMBER 1998

### **Magneto-optical trapping of radioactive $^{82}\text{Rb}$ atoms**

R. Guckert,<sup>1,2</sup> X. Zhao,<sup>1</sup> S. G. Crane,<sup>1,3</sup> A. Hime,<sup>1</sup> W. A. Taylor,<sup>1</sup> D. Tupa,<sup>1</sup> D. J. Vieira,<sup>1</sup> and H. Wollnik<sup>1,2</sup>

$10^8/\text{s}$   $^{82}\text{Rb}^+$  ions/s  
from 10 mCi  $^{82}\text{Sr}$

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### **Efficient Collection of $^{221}\text{Fr}$ into a Vapor Cell Magneto-optical Trap**

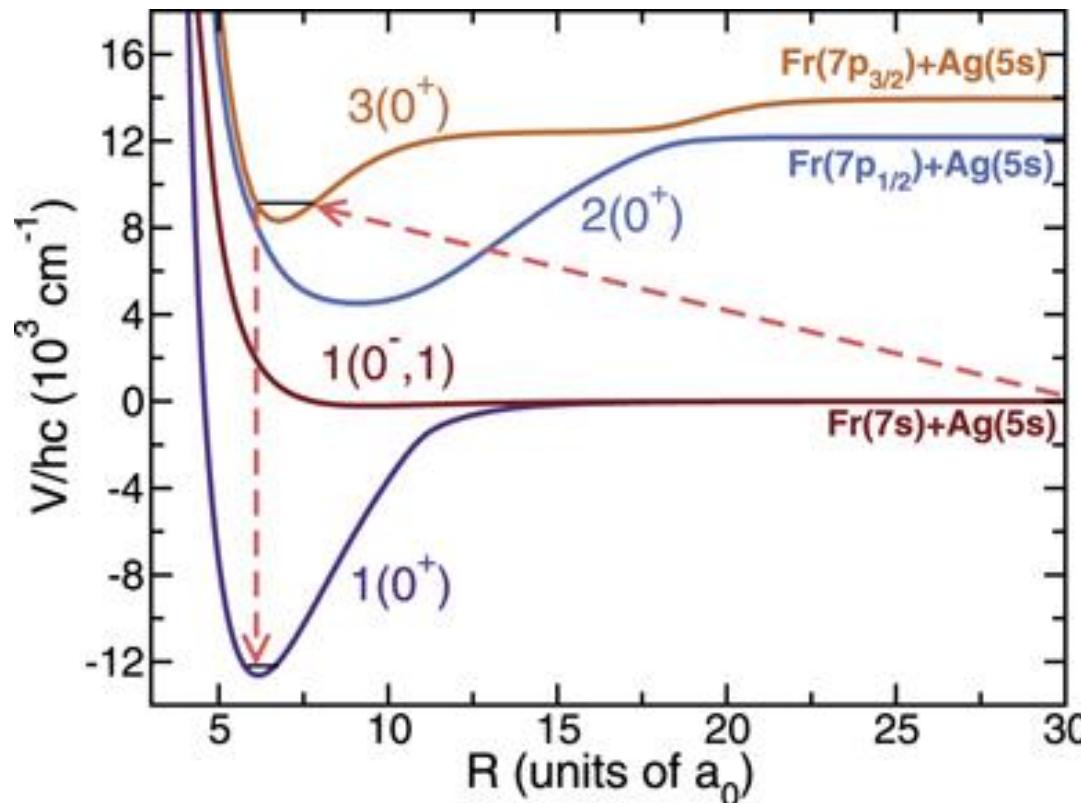
Z.-T. Lu, K. L. Corwin, K. R. Vogel, and C. E. Wieman

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T. P. Dinneen, J. Maddi, and Harvey Gould

$\sim 4 \times 10^4/\text{s}$   $^{221}\text{Fr}$   
atoms/s from  
50  $\mu\text{Ci}$   $^{225}\text{Ac}$

# Theory: assembling $^{223}\text{FrAg}$ molecules is $\sim$ just like other bi-alkalis



- As anticipated, electronic state structure entirely analogous to other bi-alkalis
- Standard Fano-Feshbach resonance structure for “magneto-association”
  - Strong “assembly” transitions with convenient laser wavelengths
- All looks fine, but experimental measurements needed to sort out details

# Projected sensitivity of 1<sup>st</sup>-gen $^{223}\text{FrAg}$ NSM search

	$^{223}\text{FrAg}$ (Projected)	Neutron	$^{199}\text{Hg}$
Energy Shift (Hz), $\delta\nu$	$3 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-8}$ [3]	$6.6 \times 10^{-12}$ [9]
$\kappa_S$ (e fm <sup>3</sup> (Hz) <sup>-1</sup> ) or $\kappa_d$ (e cm (Hz) <sup>-1</sup> )	$2.5 \times 10^{-7}$ [57]	$4.1 \times 10^{-19}$ [60]	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$ [59]
$\Theta_S$ (e fm <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>-1</sup> or $\Theta_d$ (e cm) <sup>-1</sup>	$6.3 \times 10^{-1}$ [40]	$8.3 \times 10^{15}$ [60]	$2 \times 10^2$ [40]
$\Lambda_S$ (e fm <sup>3</sup> cm) <sup>-1</sup> or $\Lambda_d$ (e cm <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>-1</sup>	$6.3 \times 10^{-5}$ [40]	1 [60]	$2 \times 10^{-1}$ [40]
NSM, S (e fm <sup>3</sup> ) or EDM, d (e cm)	$7.5 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-26}$	$9.8 \times 10^{-14}$
Stat. uncert. $\delta\bar{\theta}_{\text{QCD}}$	$4.7 \times 10^{-14}$	$9.2 \times 10^{-11}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-11}$
Stat. uncert. $\delta(\tilde{d}_u \pm \tilde{d}_d)$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	$4.7 \times 10^{-31}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-26}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-27}$

- Included in Estimate:**
  - 300x NSM enhancement
  - near-ideal molecular structure
  - $\tau_{\text{coh}} \sim 10$  s [Cornish, Zwierlein, etc.]
  - ~100% detection efficiency
  - $n = 10^4$  molecules
  - ~10% efficiency  $^{223}\text{Fr}$  atoms into trap

All these parameters  
**ALREADY DEMONSTRATED**  
**with stable bi-alkalis (!)**

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**with radioactive alkali atoms**

⇒ ~4000x projected improvement vs.  $^{199}\text{Hg}$  state of the art

# *What is needed to make $^{223}\text{FrAg}$ NSM search happen?*

## **From the AMO community:**

- Measure & control ultracold scattering properties Ag-Ag
- Measure & control ultracold scattering properties Fr-Fr
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- Assemble excited FrAg\* molecules in optical trap
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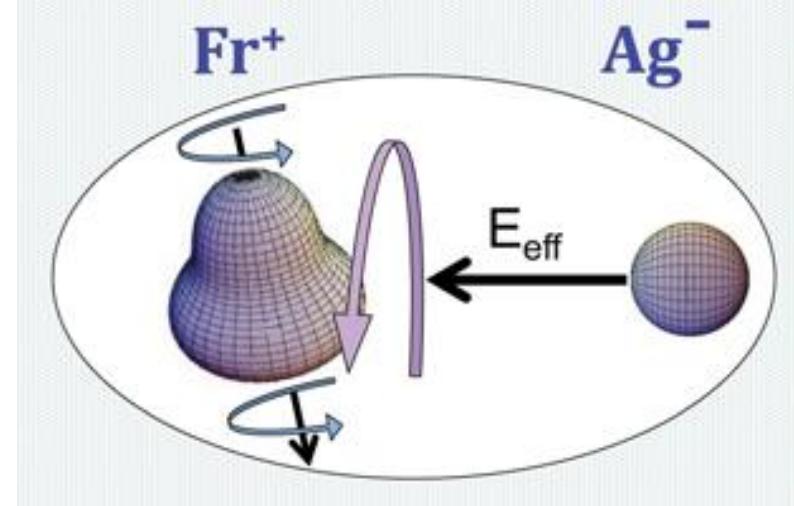
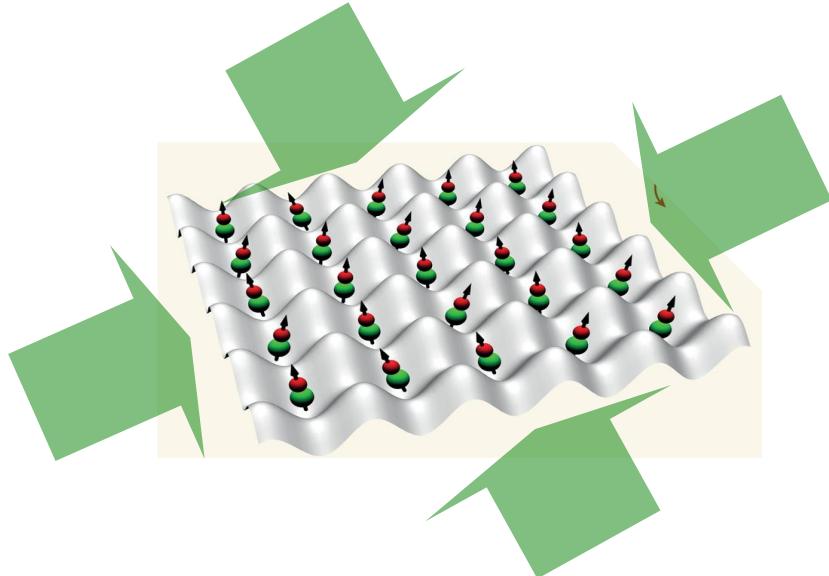
## **From the NP/Isotopes experimental community:**

- Off-line source of  $^{223}\text{Fr}$  for development & first-generation data
- On-line access to Fr isotopes for initial AMO studies (TRIUMF)
- High-flux on-line  $^{223}\text{Fr}$  from ISOL for ultimate EDM statistics?

## **From the NP theory community:**

- Quasi-reliable calculations of Schiff moment in  $^{223}\text{Fr}$ !

# *“Ultimate” Schiff moment experiment with $^{223}\text{FrAg}$ ?*



## REDRUM COLLABORATORS

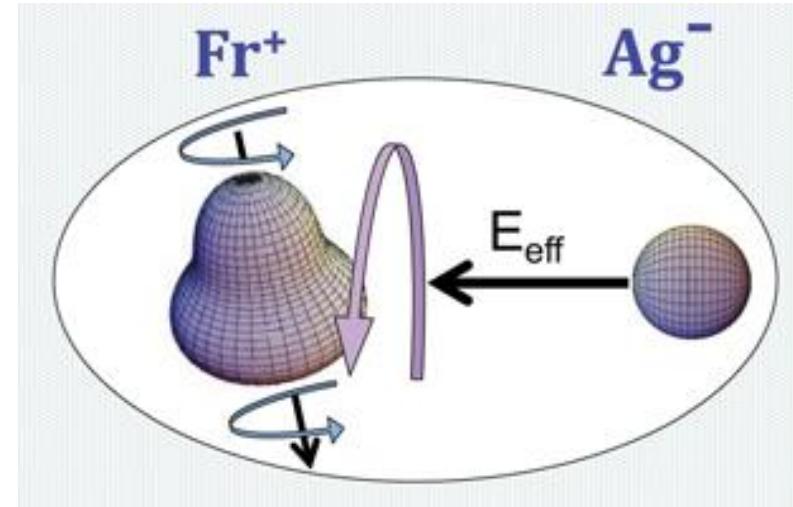
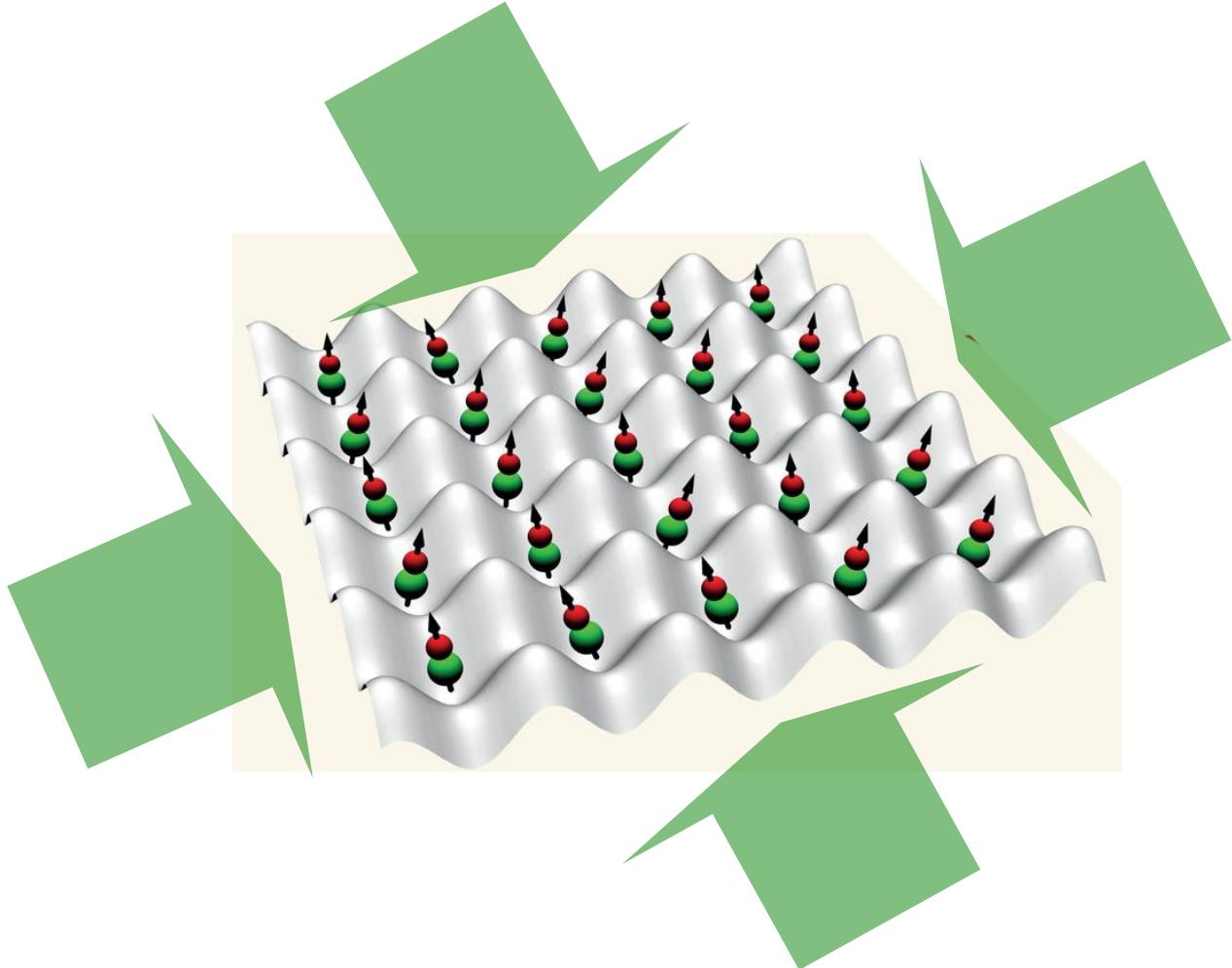
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--Alan Jamison
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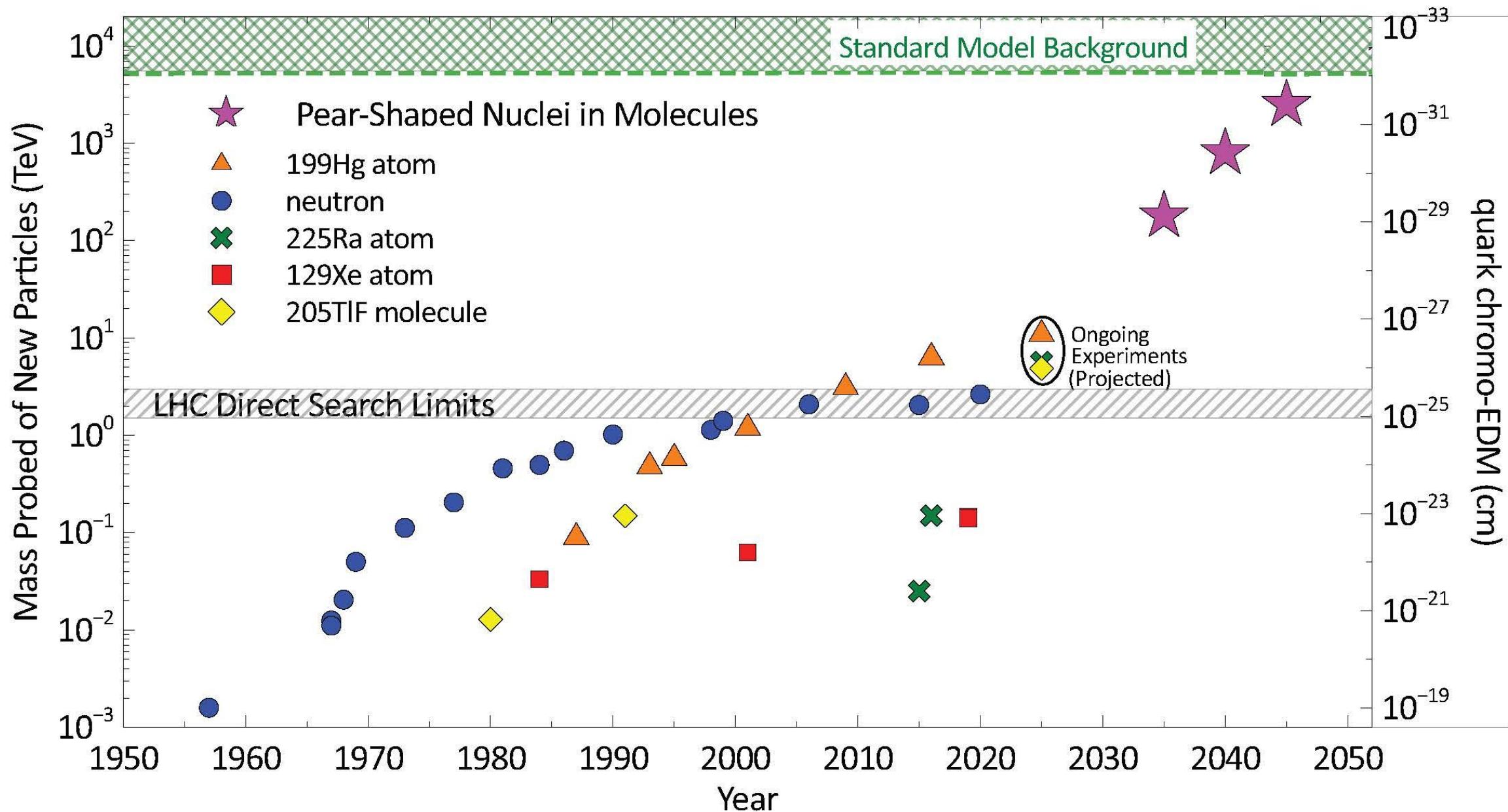


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vs. state of the art  
assuming only demonstrated performance  
parameters from other bi-alkali species  
→ sufficient to probe >100 TeV

**+Long-term potential for dramatic further improvements:**

Longer  $\tau_{\text{coh}}$ , larger  $N$ , ...

# Trajectory: probing >1000 TeV with chromo-EDMs



# ZOMBIES: nuclear spin-dependent parity violation in molecules\*

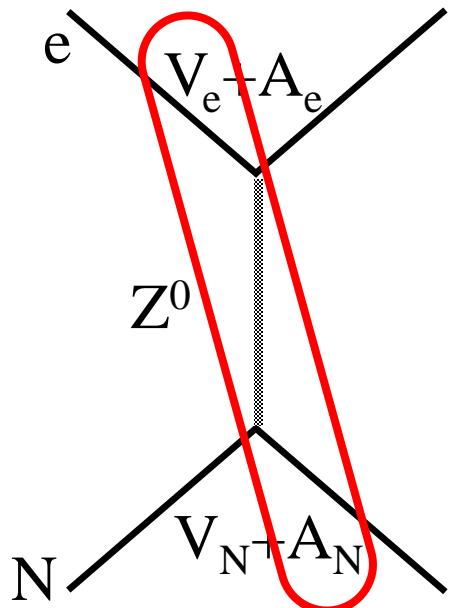
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- Underlying physics of NSD-PV
- ZOMBIES approach & projected sensitivity
- Long term outlook

Postdoc  
Mangesh Bhattarai

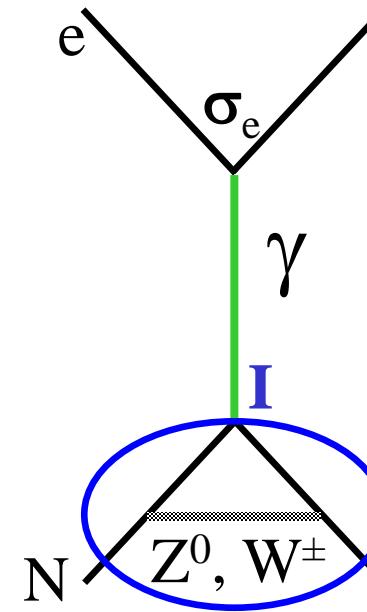


# Mechanisms for NSD-PV in atoms and molecules



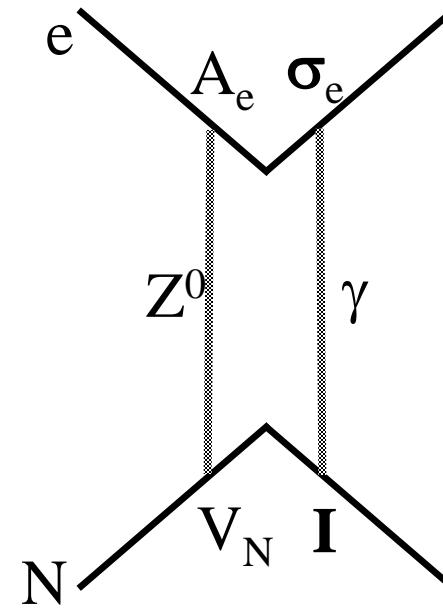
Tree-level  
NSD-PV  
from suppressed  
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 $C_2$  subject to QCD  
renormalization  
similar to  $g_A$

+



HPV interactions  
inside nucleus induce  
**nuclear**  
**"anapole moment"**:  
couples to electron  
magnetically

+



Coherent sum of  
weak charge  $Q_W$   
and  
electromagnetic  
hyperfine interaction

$$H_{NSD-PV} \propto (\kappa'_2 + \kappa'_a + \kappa'_Q) G_F (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{I}) (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) \delta^3(\vec{r})$$

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$$\kappa'_a \approx .05 g_{eff} \left( \frac{A}{50} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$(g_{eff,P} \approx 4, g_{eff,N} \lesssim 1)$$

Overall  $Z^2$

$$|\kappa'_Q| \ll |\kappa'_2 + \kappa'_a|$$

(Well understood, calculable, and small: ignore  $\kappa'_Q$ )

Heavy atoms: anapole term dominates:  $|\kappa'_a| > |\kappa'_2|$

(Collective enhancement causes radiative correction > tree level...!)

Light atoms: tree-level Z exchange term dominates:  $|\kappa'_a| > |\kappa'_2|$

$|\kappa_a| \approx |\kappa_2|$  for  $A \approx 10$  (odd proton)

$A \approx 100$  (odd neutron)

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$$\kappa'_a \approx .05 g_{eff} \left( \frac{A}{50} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$(g_{eff,P} \cong 4, g_{eff,N} \lesssim 1)$$

Overall  $Z^2$

Challenge for atomic/molecular approaches:

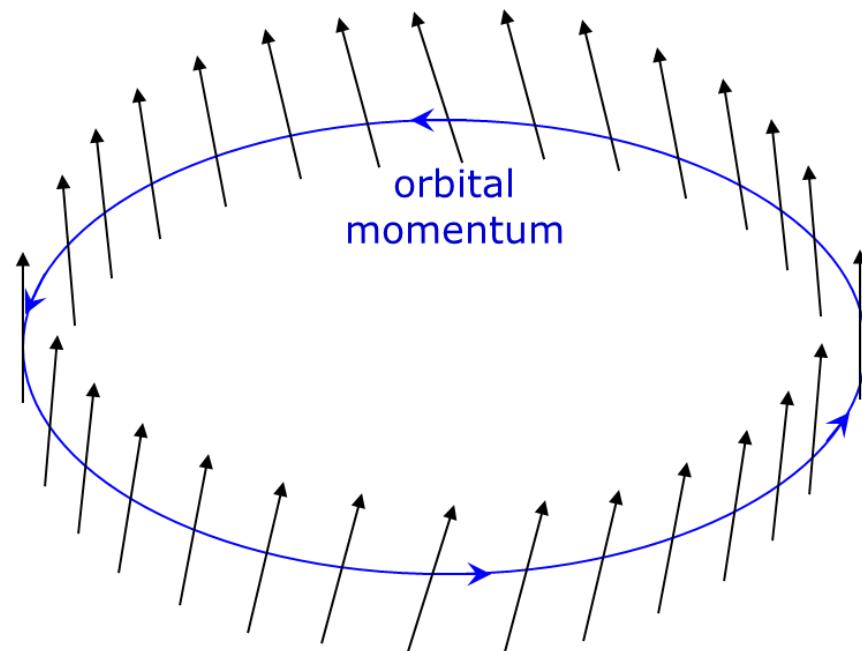
***Signals easiest to detect with high Z & A***

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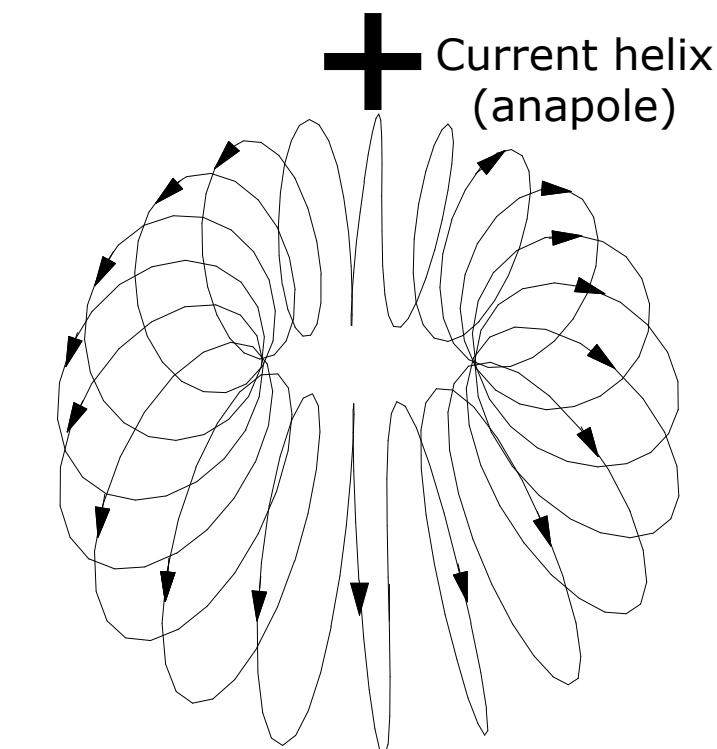
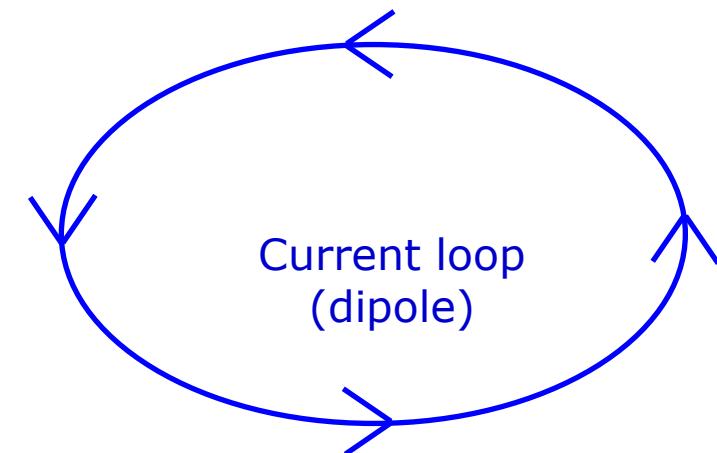
***Much easier to interpret with lowest Z & A***

# Purely hadronic PV in nucleus induces nuclear spin helix = anapole moment

$$H_{HPV} \propto \vec{\sigma}_N \cdot \vec{p}_N \Rightarrow \text{nucleon spin tilted along momentum}$$



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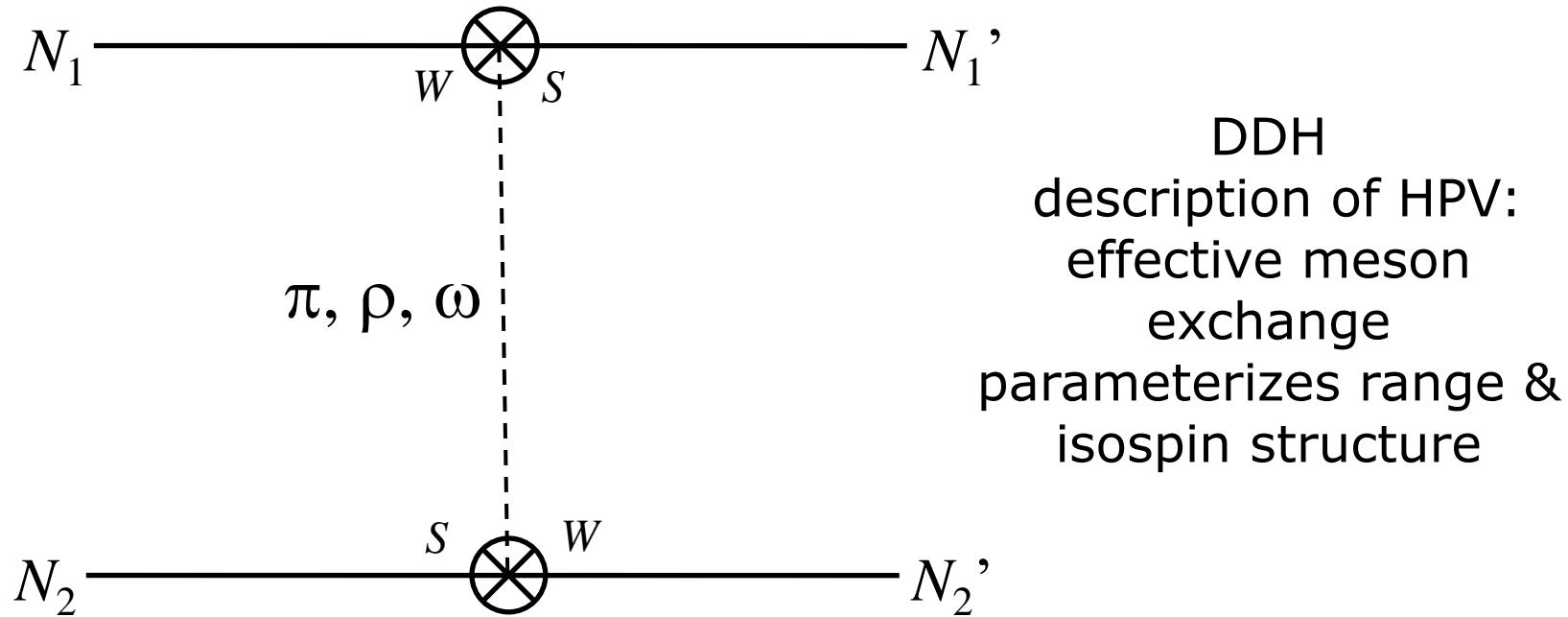


**Simple model for nuclear anapole**  
(valence nucleon + constant-density core):

$$\vec{a} \propto g_{eff} A^{2/3} \hat{I}$$

# Microscopic physics of nuclear anapole moment

Nucleon-nucleon HPV interactions perturb nuclear structure:



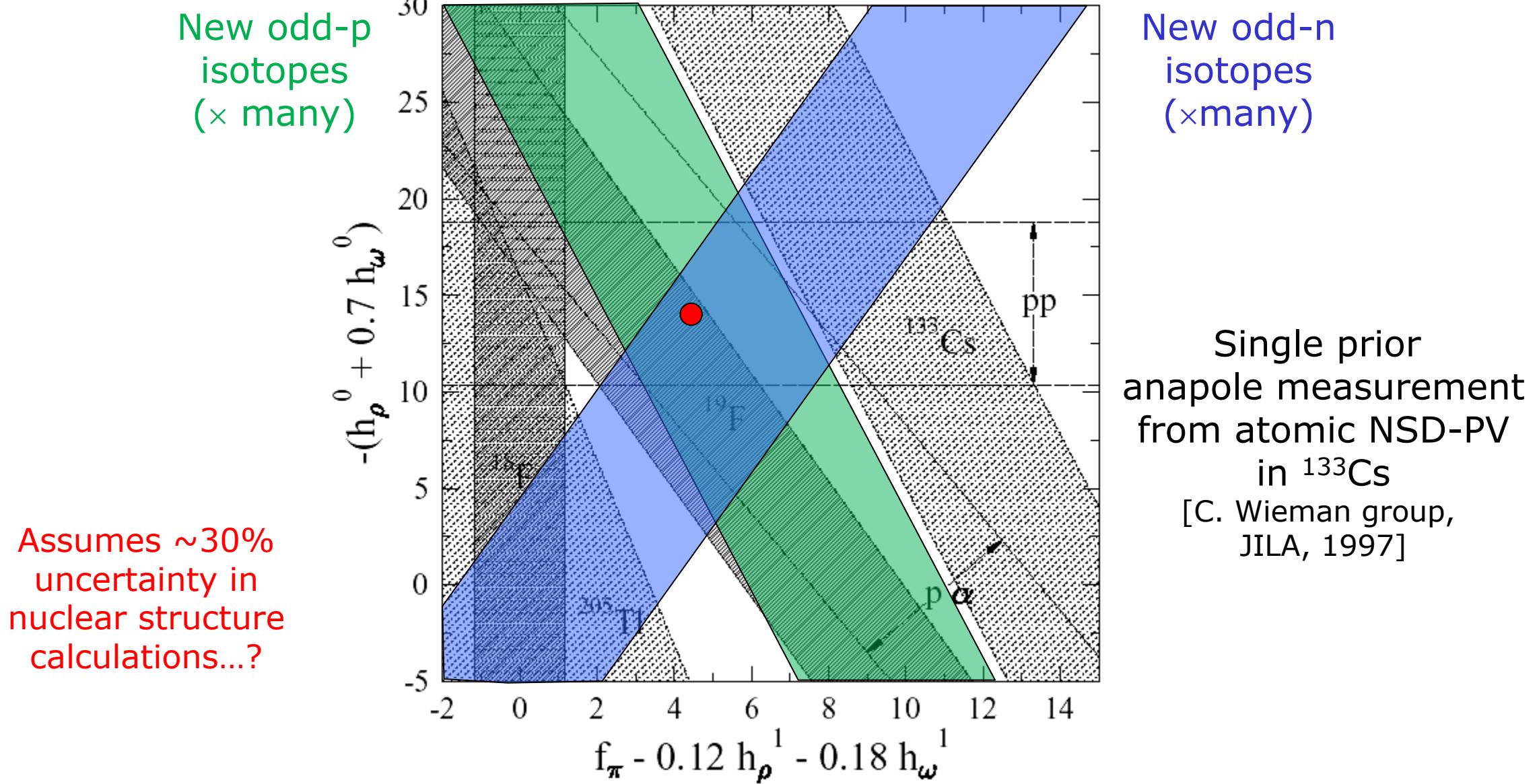
Hamiltonian for unpaired nucleon interacting with paired core  
gives spin-momentum correlation

$$H_{HPV} \sim G_F (\vec{\sigma}_N \cdot \vec{p}_N) \sum_i g_{\text{eff},i} F_i(\vec{r}, \vec{\tau})$$

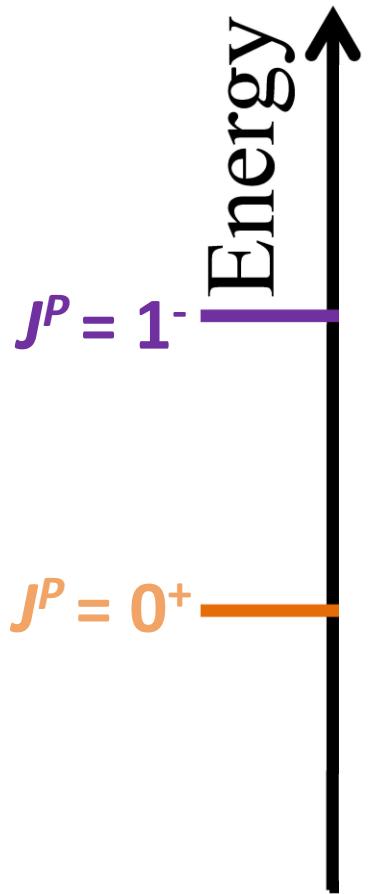
5 terms in principle at low  $q^2$

*2 linear combinations estimated important for anapole*

# HPNC measurements including anapole moments (past & future)



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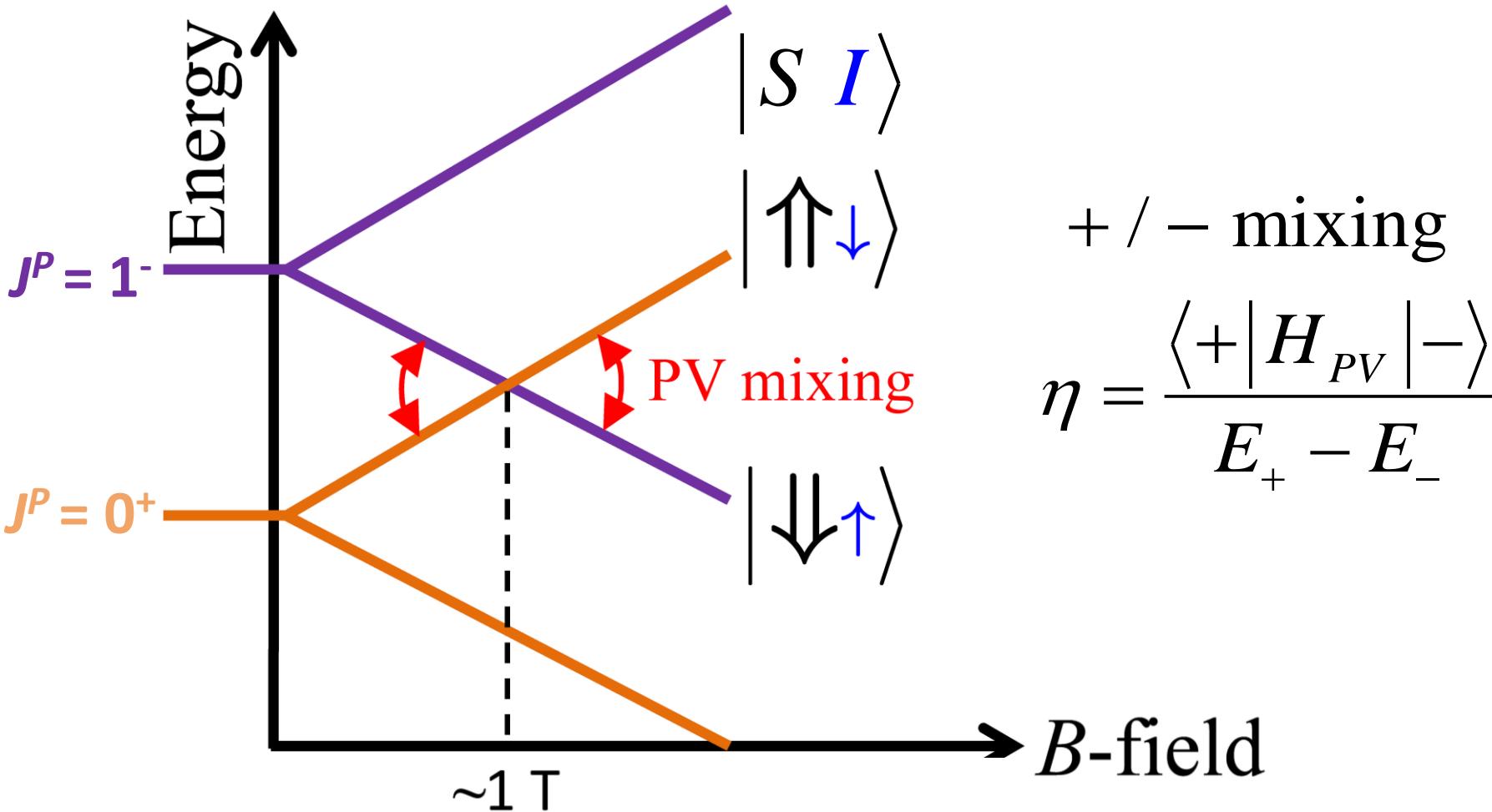


+ / - mixing

$$\eta = \frac{\langle + | H_{PV} | - \rangle}{E_+ - E_-}$$

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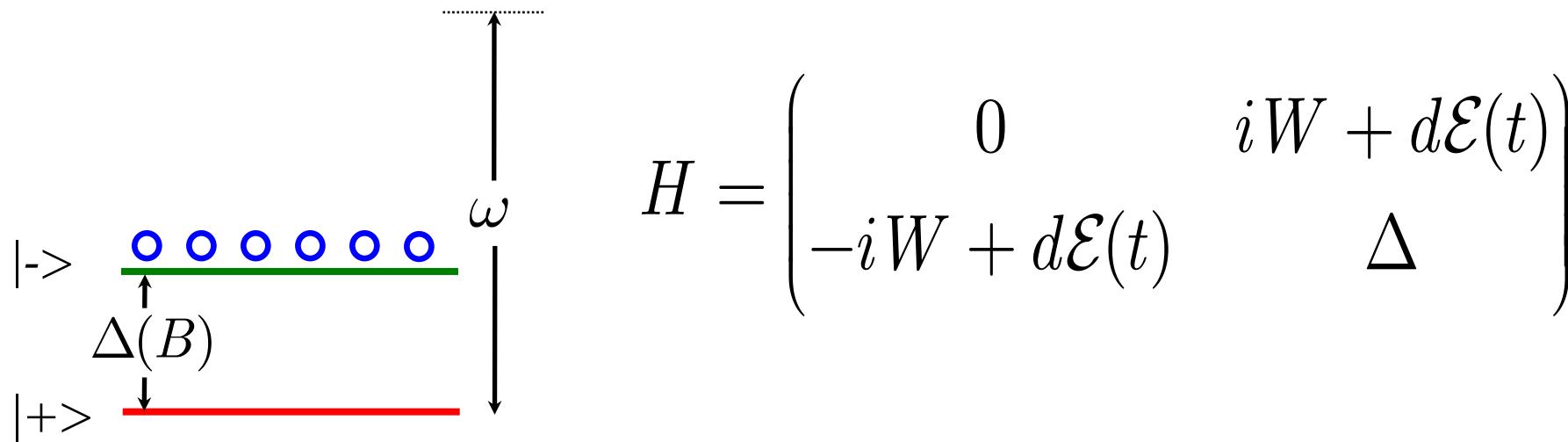


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can be bridged w/Zeeman shift:

$\gtrsim 10^{11}$  enhanced PV mixing vs. classic experiments with atoms

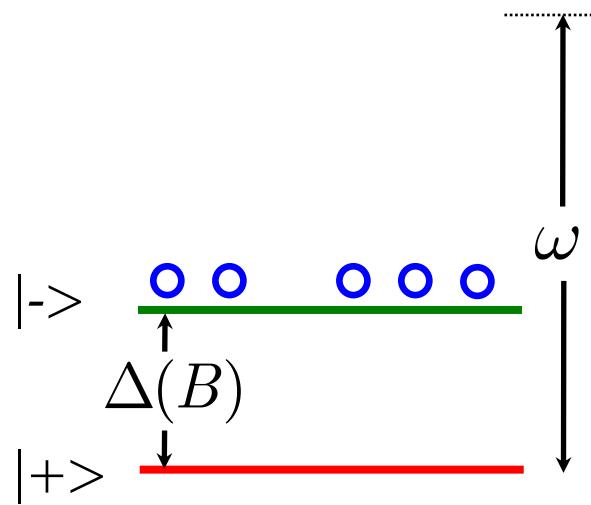
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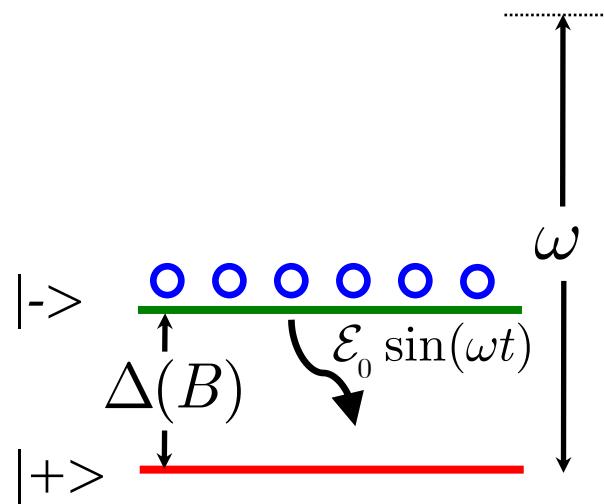
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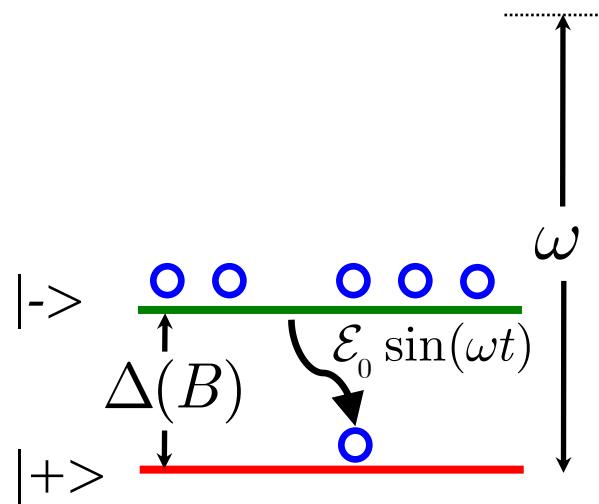
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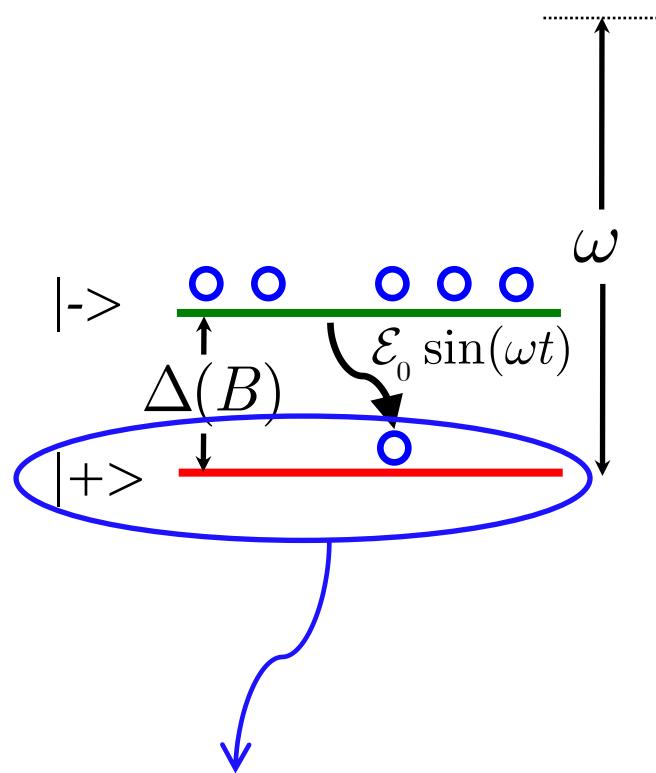
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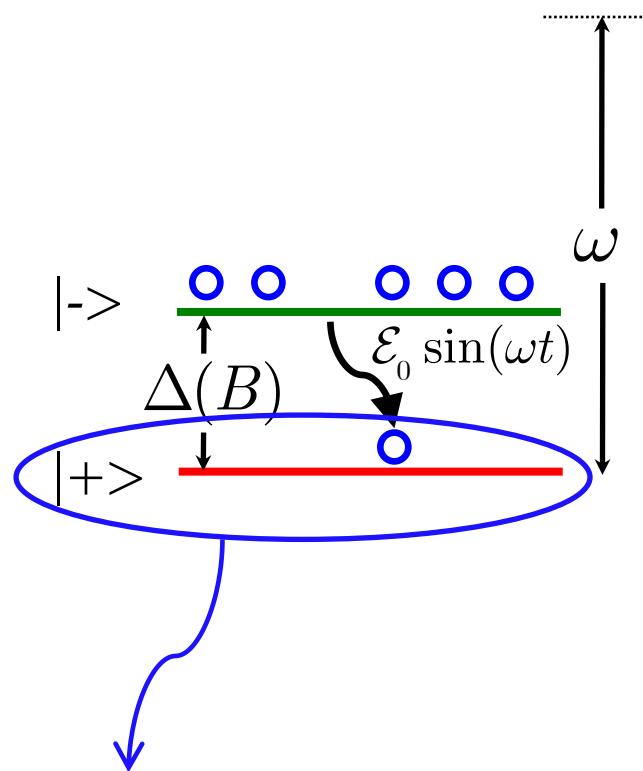
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*“Large” Stark Term  
Even in  $\mathcal{E}_0$*

*Small PV Term  
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# Signal, Asymmetry, Sensitivity

- - Measure signal  $S \ \mathcal{E}_0 \approx 4N_0 \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta T}{2}\right) \left[ \left( \frac{d\mathcal{E}_0}{\omega} \right)^2 + 2 \frac{W}{\Delta} \frac{d\mathcal{E}_0}{\omega} \right]$   
with opposite-sign  $\mathcal{E}$ -fields  $+\mathcal{E}_0, -\mathcal{E}_0$

- - Form asymmetry to extract  $W$  in terms of known quantities :

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{S(+\mathcal{E}_0) - S(-\mathcal{E}_0)}{S(+\mathcal{E}_0) + S(-\mathcal{E}_0)} \approx 2 \frac{W}{\Delta} \frac{\omega}{d\mathcal{E}_0}$$

Dispersion-like  
function  
of detuning  $\Delta$

## Statistical Uncertainty

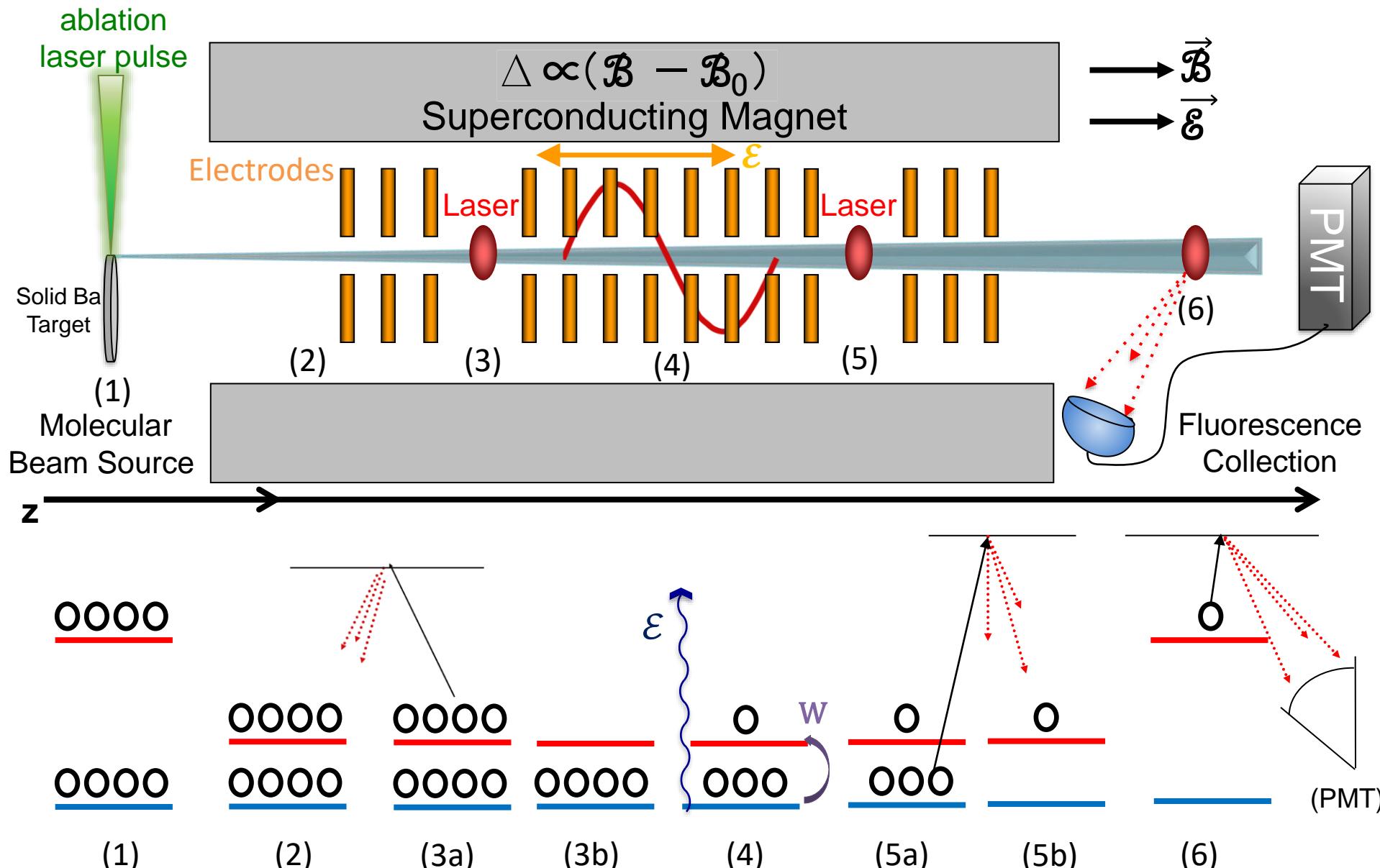
$$\delta W = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_0}} \frac{1}{T}$$

Best sensitivity from  
large interaction time  $T$

Equivalent to measuring  $W$  as generic energy shift at Standard Quantum Limit

N. Fortson, PRL **70**, 2383 (1993)

# ZOMBIES experimental schematic



# ZOMBIES: general-purpose technique, applicable to many isotopes

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PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

week ending  
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## Using Molecules to Measure Nuclear Spin-Dependent Parity Violation

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Nucleus	$I$	$\nu$	$\ell$	n.a. (%)	$100\kappa'_a$	$100\kappa'_2$	Species	$B_e$ (MHz)	$\mathcal{B}_0^{(m)}$ (T)	$W_P$ (Hz)	$\tilde{C}^{(m)}$	$W^{(m)}$ (Hz)	$f$ (%)	$D$ (Debye)	$d^{(m)}$ (kHz · cm/V)
<sup>87</sup> Sr <sub>38</sub>	9/2	<i>N</i>	4	7.0	-3.6	-5.0	SrF	7515	0.62	65	-0.40	2.2	0.2	3.5	-4.6
<sup>91</sup> Zr <sub>40</sub>	5/2	<i>N</i>	2	11.2	-3.5	-5.0	ZrN	14468	1.20	99	-0.40	3.4	0.3	≈ 4	≈ 1
<sup>137</sup> Ba <sub>56</sub>	3/2	<i>N</i>	2	11.2	+4.2	+3.0	BaF	6480	0.32	164	-0.44	-5.2	0.7	3.2	-3.0
<sup>171</sup> Yb <sub>70</sub>	1/2	<i>N</i>	1	14.3	+4.1	+1.7	YbF	7246	0.33	729	-0.52	-22	1.8	3.9	1.5
<sup>27</sup> Al <sub>13</sub>	5/2	<i>P</i>	2	100	-11.2	+5.0	AlS	8369	0.52	10	-0.42	0.3	8	3.6	2.5
<sup>69</sup> Ga <sub>31</sub>	3/2	<i>P</i>	1	60.1	-19.6	+5.0	GaO	8217	0.49	61	-0.43	3.8	8	≈ 4	≈ - 30
<sup>81</sup> Br <sub>35</sub>	3/2	<i>P</i>	1	49.3	-21.8	+5.0	MgBr	4944	0.34	18	-0.42	1.3	6	≈ 4	≈ - 6
<sup>139</sup> La <sub>57</sub>	7/2	<i>P</i>	4	99.9	+34.7	-3.9	LaO	10578	0.25	222	-0.43	-29	6	3.2	0.6

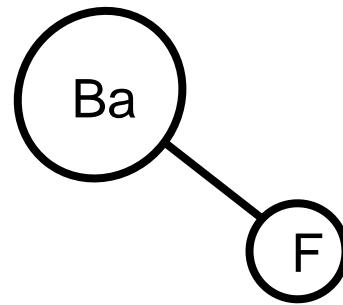
Improved understanding of molecular structure since 2008

→ many more viable molecule species to study many different isotopes

# ZOMBIES I: NSD-PV with BaF

## Initial physics goal: NSD-PV with $^{137}\text{BaF}$

- Odd neutron (vs.  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  w/odd proton)
- Heavy → large effect, anapole largest term
- Large enough natural abundance (barely)
- Required lasers = simple, cheap diodes



## Recently completed: proof of principle using $^{138}\text{Ba}^{19}\text{F}$

- Larger natural abundance (~75% vs ~11% for  $^{137}\text{Ba}$ )
- Uses same beam source, lasers, magnet, etc. as  $^{137}\text{BaF}$
- $W(^{138}\text{Ba}) = 0 \text{ Hz}$  (no unpaired nucleons = no NSD-PV)  
 $W(^{19}\text{F}) \approx 0.002 \text{ Hz} \approx 0$  (light, small electron spin density in BaF)
- **Test for practical sensitivity & systematics with known answer**

# Uncertainties in proof-of-principle with $^{138}\text{BaF}$

## Strategy

- Deliberately exaggerate imperfection by known, large factor
- Measure effect on the NSD-PV matrix element  $W$  from coupling to ambient imperfections in the experiment

Parameter	Shift	Systematic $\delta W_{\text{sys}}$ (Hz)	Uncertainty
Bipolar $\mathcal{E}_{nr}$ Pulses		0.12	
Unipolar $\mathcal{E}_{nr}$ Pulses		0.16	
$\mathcal{B}$ -Field Inhomogeneities		0.24	
$\delta\nu_{L2}$ and $\mathcal{E}_{nr}$ at and near Gap 22	-0.04	0.21	
Total Systematic	-0.04	0.38	

## Final Error Budget with $^{138}\text{Ba}^{19}\text{F}$

Crossing	$W/(2\pi)$ (Hz)	$C$	$d$ (Hz/(V/cm))	$W_{\text{mol}} = \kappa' W_P/(2\pi)$ (Hz)
A	$0.28 \pm 0.49_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.38_{\text{sys}}$	-0.41	3360	$-0.68 \pm 1.20_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.93_{\text{sys}}$
F	$0.01 \pm 0.51_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.38_{\text{sys}}$	+0.39	3530	$0.03 \pm 1.30_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.97_{\text{sys}}$
Weighted Average	-	-	-	$-0.36 \pm 0.88_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.95_{\text{sys}}$

~170 h data  
~ $6 \times 10^7$  molecules total

$$W_{\text{mol}} = 2\pi \times (-0.36 \pm 1.29) \text{ Hz}$$

# What does the $^{138}\text{Ba}^{19}\text{F}$ result mean?

$$W_{mol} \equiv (\kappa'_2 + \kappa'_a) W_P = 2\pi \times (-0.36 \pm 1.29) \text{ Hz}$$

Most useful comparison:

$$W_P(^{137}\text{Ba in BaF}) = 2\pi \times 160 \text{ Hz}$$

Same experimental uncertainty in  $^{137}\text{BaF}$  would mean

$$\delta\kappa'(^{137}\text{Ba}) = 0.008 \quad \text{vs. } \kappa'(^{137}\text{Ba})[\text{shell model}] \approx 0.07$$

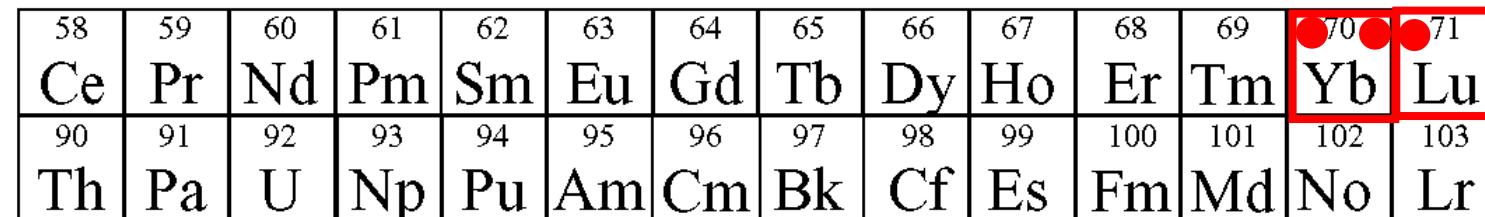
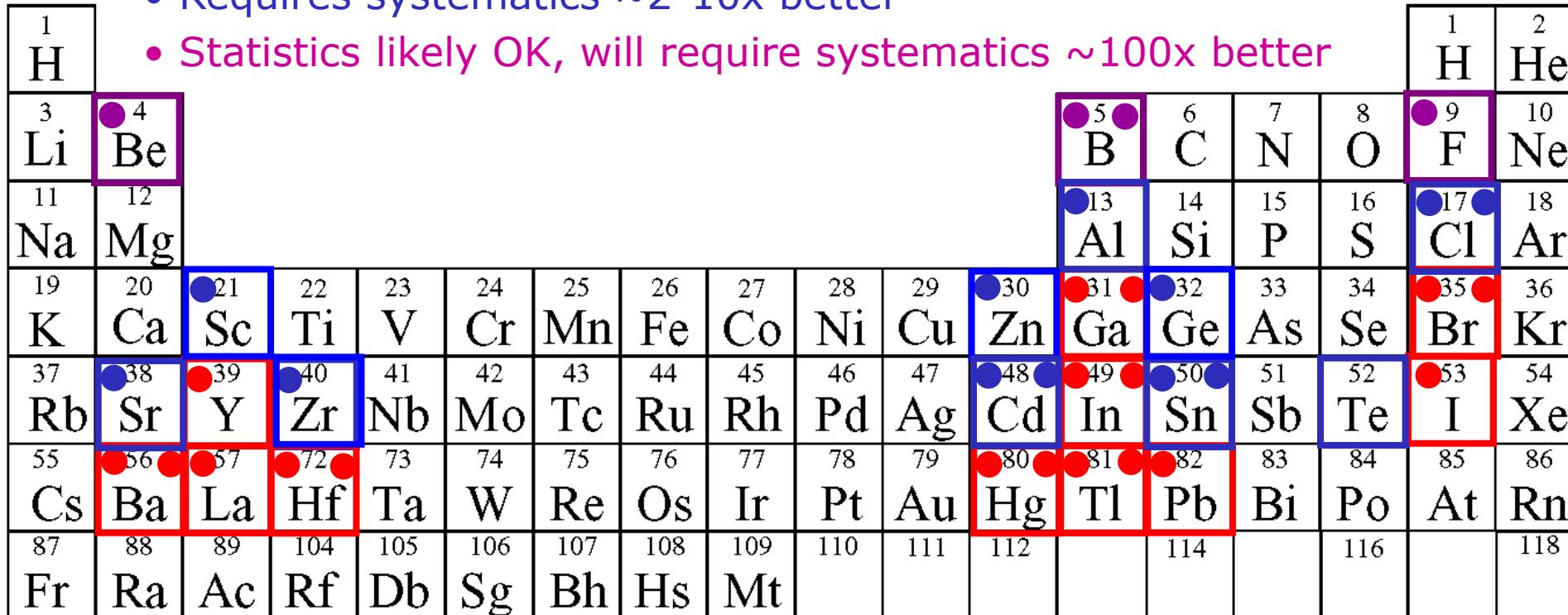
~10% of predicted value

Compares favorably to JILA  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  result:  $\kappa'(^{133}\text{Cs}) = 0.39 \pm 0.06$   
C.S. Wood *et al.*, Science 275, 1759 (1997)

- Unprecedented sensitivity to NSD-PV
- General technique enables measurements in broad range of nuclei

# Viable nuclei for anapole/NSD-PV measurement with ZOMBIES

- 10% measurement possible with demonstrated sensitivity,  $\lesssim 100$  h data
  - Requires systematics  $\sim 2\text{-}10$ x better
  - Statistics likely OK, will require systematics  $\sim 100$ x better



## *Questions/requests for theorists*

- Anapole moment calculations with new HPV  $\chi$ EFT parameterization
- Calculate anapole moments & weak axial coupling for mid-mass nuclei
  - Quantitative uncertainties on calculations!
- Could  $C_2$  values be extracted reliably from mid-mass nuclei with existing HPV data & understanding?
  - Is consistency check between isotopes in heavier nuclei useful?
  - Are there special cases of particular interest/particularly easy to calculate?
- Can anapole measurements (with known HPV inputs) shed light on other related calculations
  - e.g. Schiff moment,  $0\nu\beta\beta$  decay, ...?
- Generally: modern theory perspective on anapole moments *URGENTLY* needed
  - (>10 years since last dedicated nuclear theory paper)
  - “quick and dirty” calculations of molecular sensitivities for “new” species
    - (e.g.  $^{133}\text{CsMg}$ ,  $\text{Xe}^{19}\text{F}$ , ...)

# ZOMBIES: Summary & Outlook

- New era in NSD-PV = anapole +  $V_e A_N$  measurements beginning
- Sensitivity & accuracy of molecular systems likely to enable measurements on many nuclei, including light-ish species, with <10% uncertainty
- Complementary to SoLID/PVDIS @ JLab & other hadronic PV experiments
- long term vision: unify understanding of hadronic & semileptonic PV interactions in strongly-interacting environment, across wide range of scales

