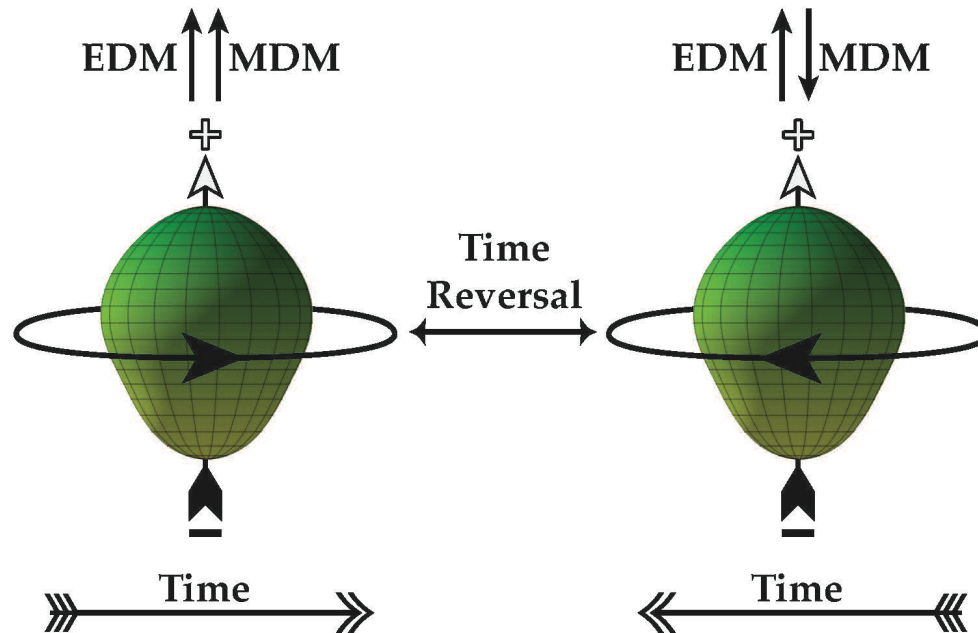


# The Nuclear Pear Factory: Symmetry Violation Searches with Pear-Shaped Nuclei in the FRIB Era



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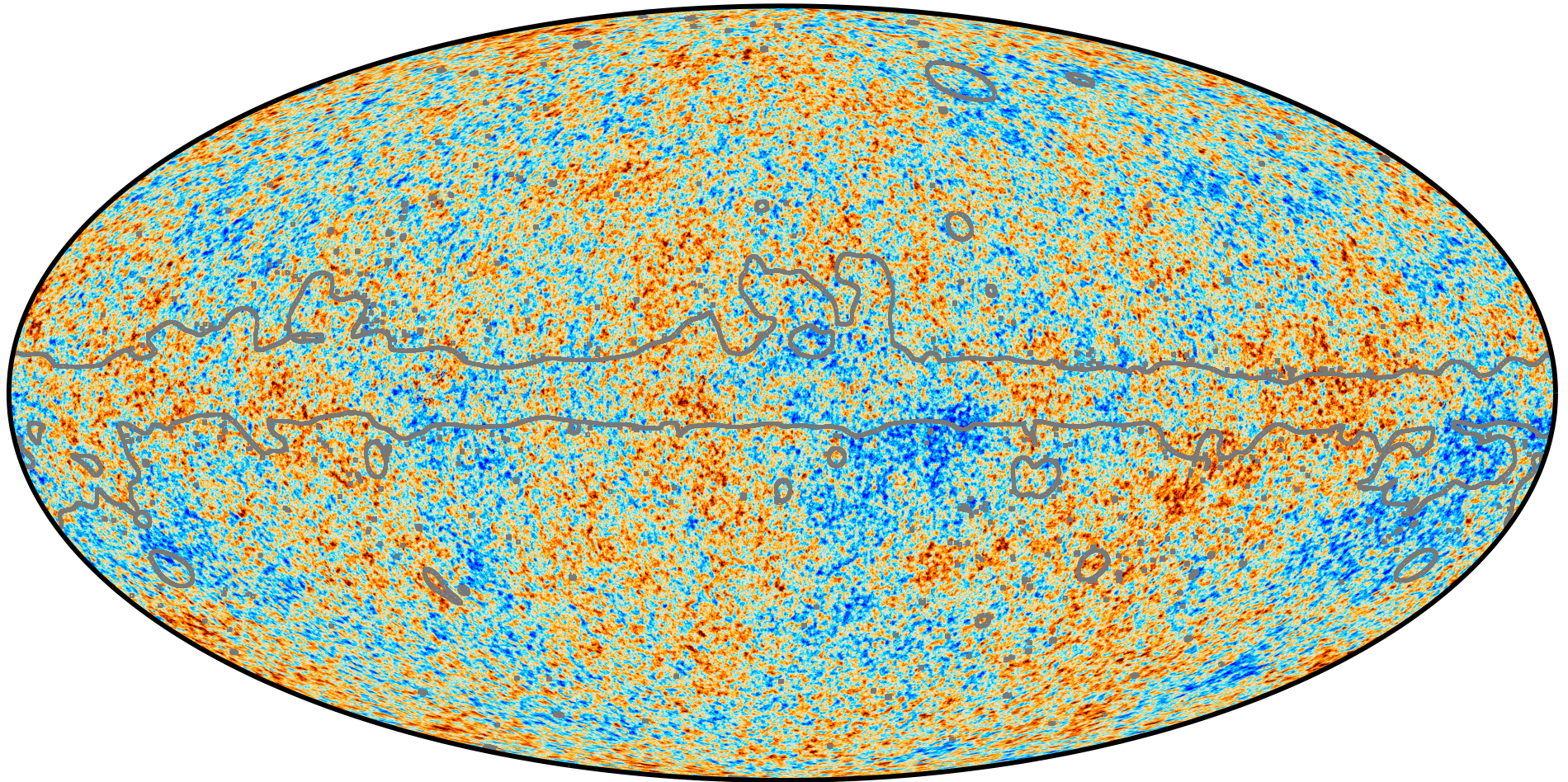


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# Cosmic Microwave Background Anisotropy: More matter than antimatter in the visible universe



Planck 2018

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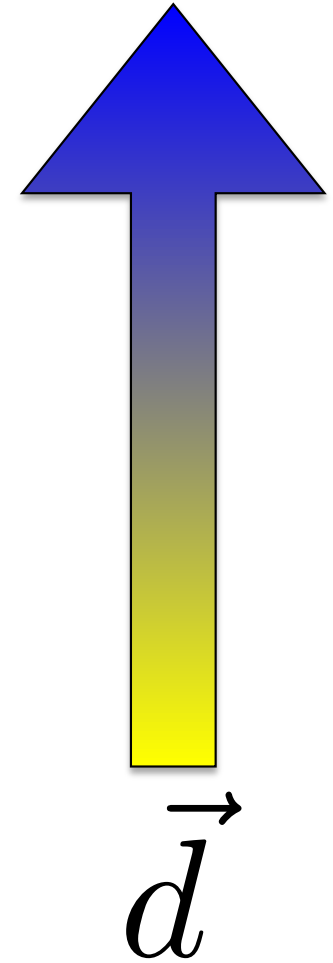
300  $\mu\text{K}$

$\sim 100$  ppm  
fluctuations

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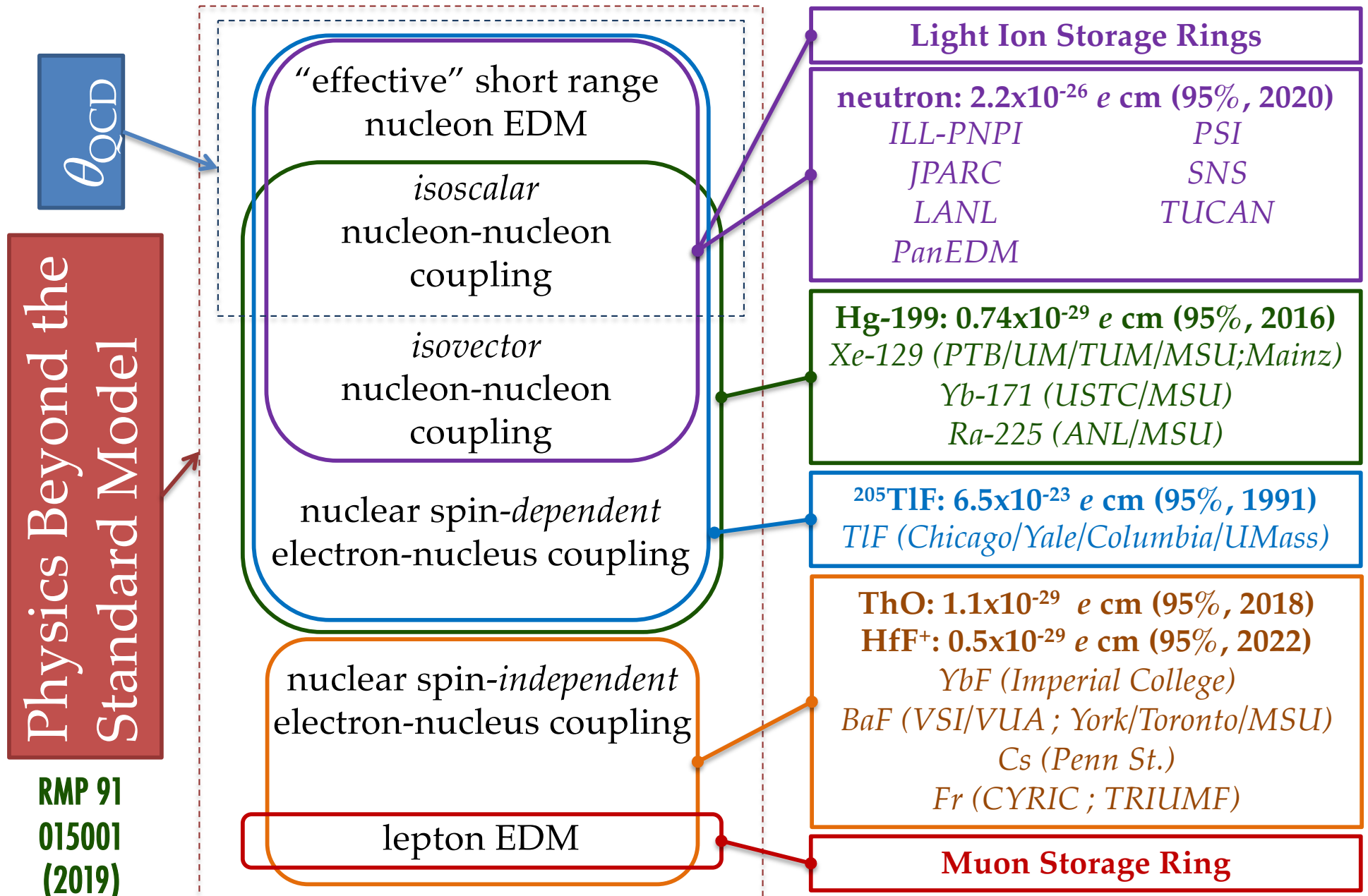


# EDM: Measures the Separation of Charges



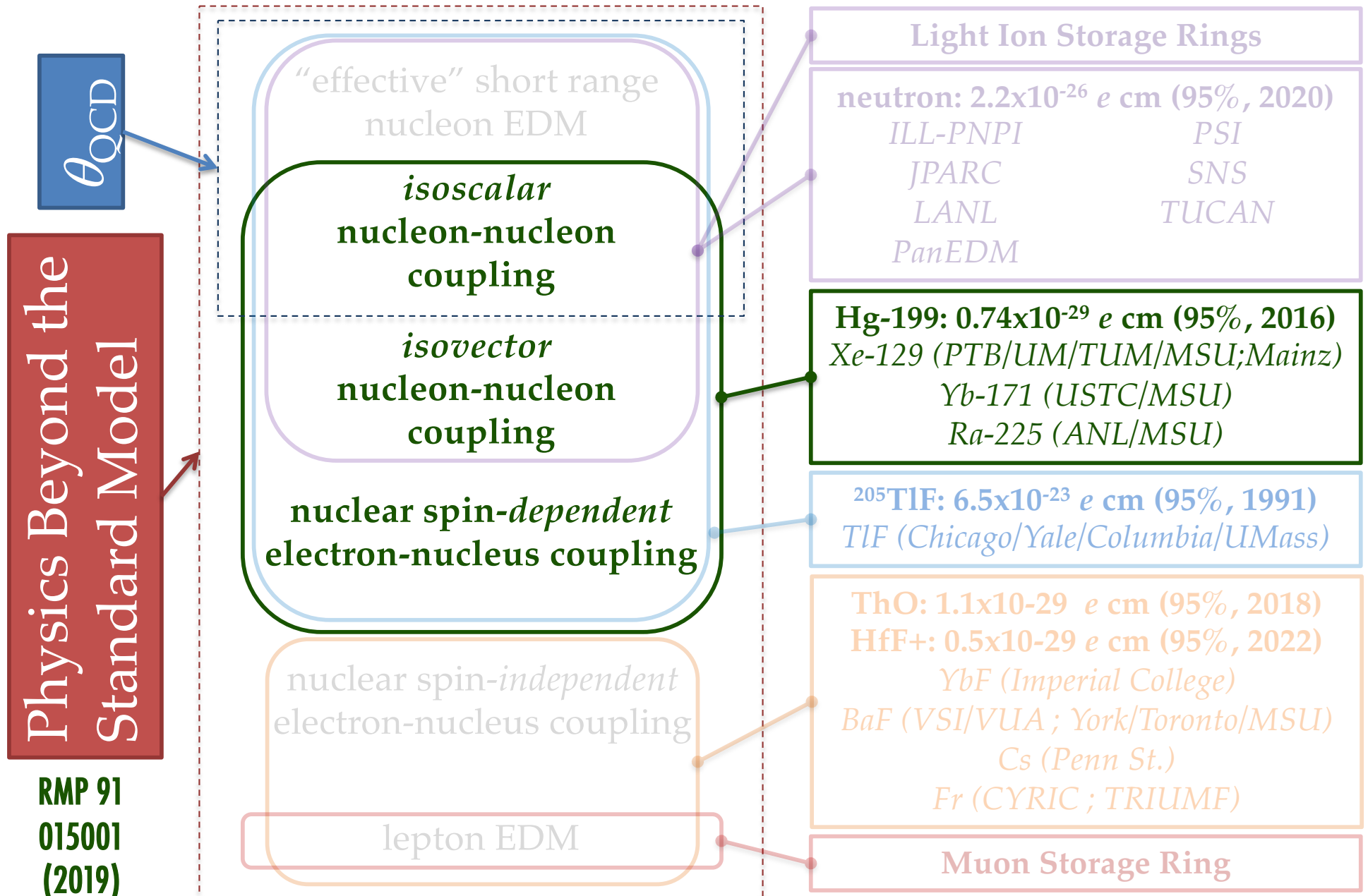
"Thunder Cloud as Generator #2" (1971) by Paterson Ewen [Art Gallery of Ontario]

# Different Sources of $\mathcal{CP} \Leftrightarrow$ EDM of Different Systems





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RMP 91  
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(2019)

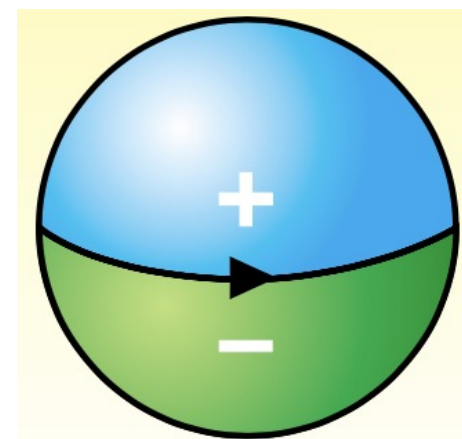
# 2023 EDM Limits: Free of SM “Backgrounds”

Chupp, Fierlinger, Ramsey-Musolf, JTS RMP 91:015001 (2019) & Nature 562:355 (2018) & PRL 124:081803 (2020) & arxiv:2212.11841

System	Best Limit (95%) 1E-28 <i>e</i> cm	SM estimate 1E-28 <i>e</i> cm	Method (Location)
Neutron	220	$\sim 10^{-4}$	ultracold neutrons in a bottle (PSI)
“Electron”	0.11 0.05	$\sim 10^{-10}$	cold ThO beam (Chicago / Harvard / Northwestern) trapped HfF <sup>+</sup> (JILA / Boulder)
Hg-199	0.074	$\sim 10^{-6}$	atoms in vapor cell (UW-Seattle)

Imagine a Hg-199 atom that is composed of two oppositely charged hemispherical shells each with charge magnitude  $e$ :

If the Hg-199 atom was the size of the Earth, then the maximum thickness of these shells would be less than the diameter of a strand of human hair.

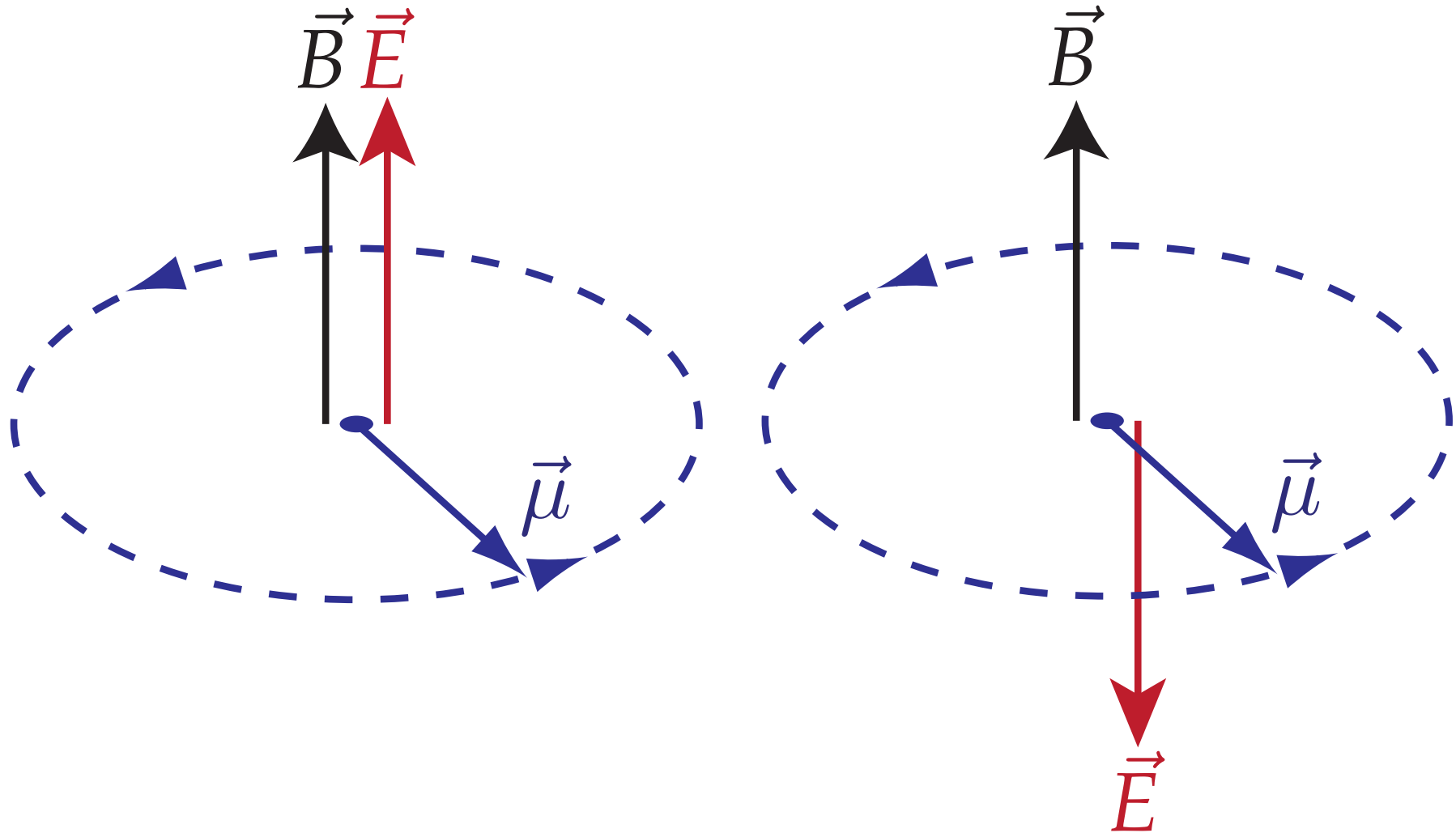


Physics Today, June 2003



# Always Measure Frequency

## Example: Spin Precession of a Spin-1/2 Particle



$$h\nu_{\uparrow} = 2(\mu B_{\uparrow} + dE)$$

$$h\nu_{\downarrow} = 2(\mu B_{\downarrow} - dE)$$

# Statistical Sensitivity

$$\Delta\nu = \nu_{\uparrow} - \nu_{\downarrow} = \frac{4dE}{h} \quad \sigma_{\nu} = \frac{\Gamma_{\text{linewidth}}}{\text{SNR}}$$

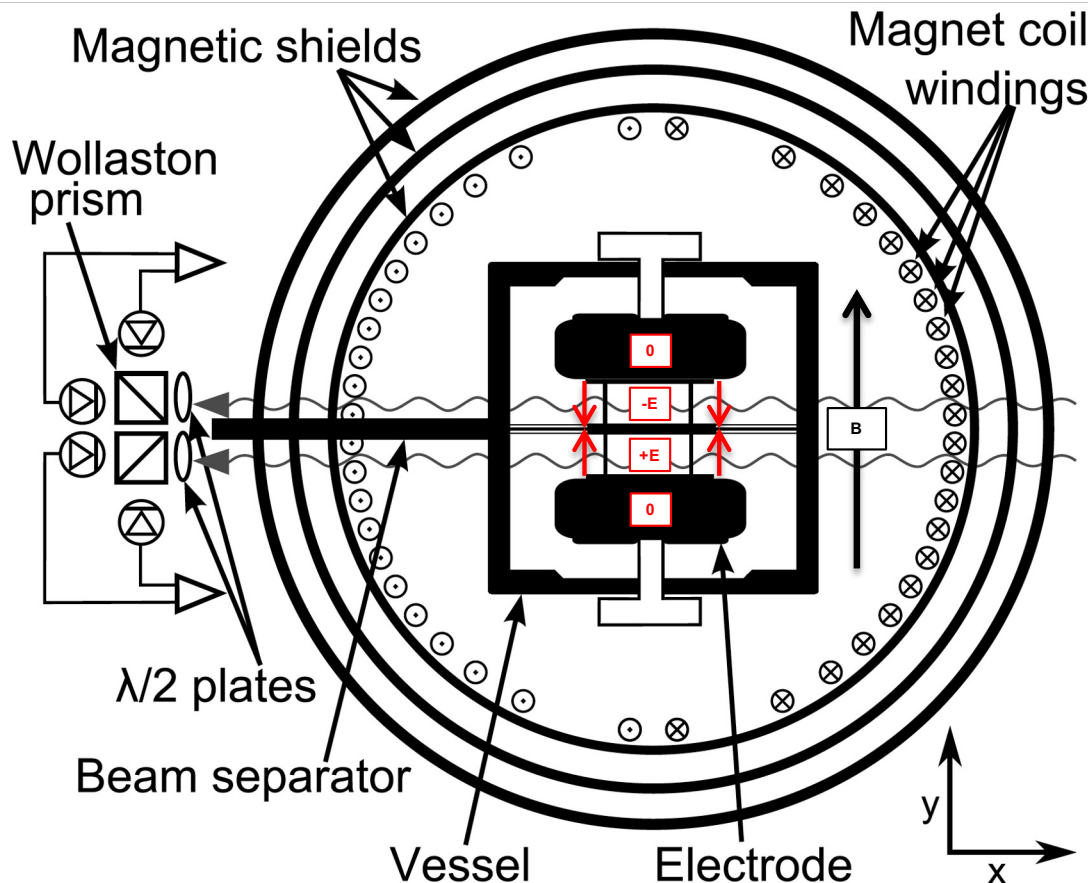
Quantum Projection Noise:

$$\frac{\sigma_d}{\sqrt{N_m}} = \frac{\hbar}{4E \sqrt{N_d T \tau}}$$

Electric field      number of detected particles      integration time      interrogation time



# The Gold Standard: Hg-199 EDM Search



- diamagnetic,  $^1S_0$  ground state
- $I = 1/2$ , no elect. quad. moment
- high  $Z$ , (80) rel. atomic struct.
- stable, (17% n.a.) 92% enriched
- high vapor pressure, ( $10^{13} / \text{cm}^3$ )
- modest electric field, 10 kV/cm
- 30+ year old experiment!

Limiting systematic appears to be  $\sim 10$  nm scale motion of vapor cells when HV is switched in the presence of 2<sup>nd</sup> order  $B$ -field gradients.

$$\nu = 8.3 \text{ Hz}$$

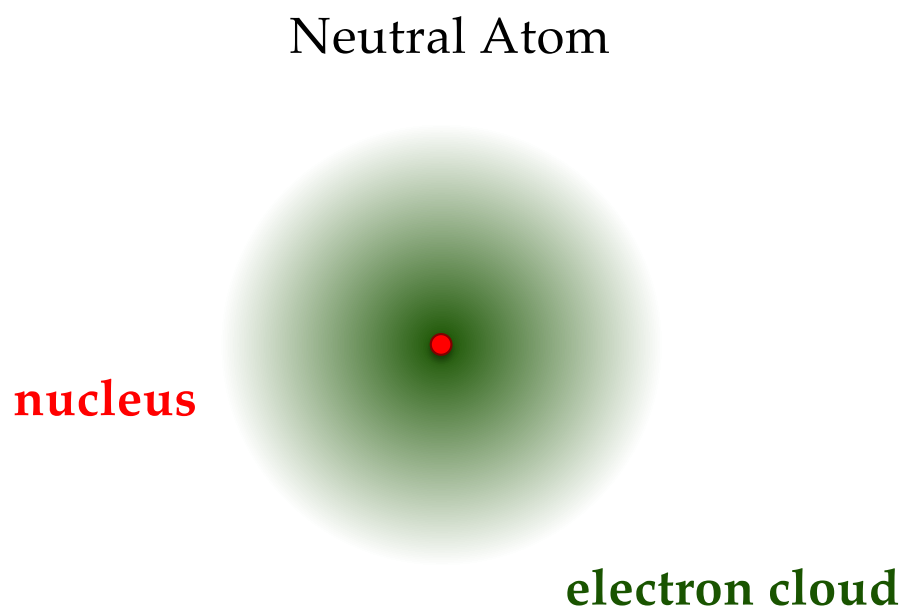
$$\Delta\nu \leq 0.1 \text{ nHz}$$

The best limit on atomic EDM:

$$\text{EDM}(^{199}\text{Hg}) < 0.74 \times 10^{-29} \text{ e-cm (95\% C.L.)}$$

Graner et al., PRL 116:161601 (2016)

# Diamagnetic Atoms: All electrons are paired.

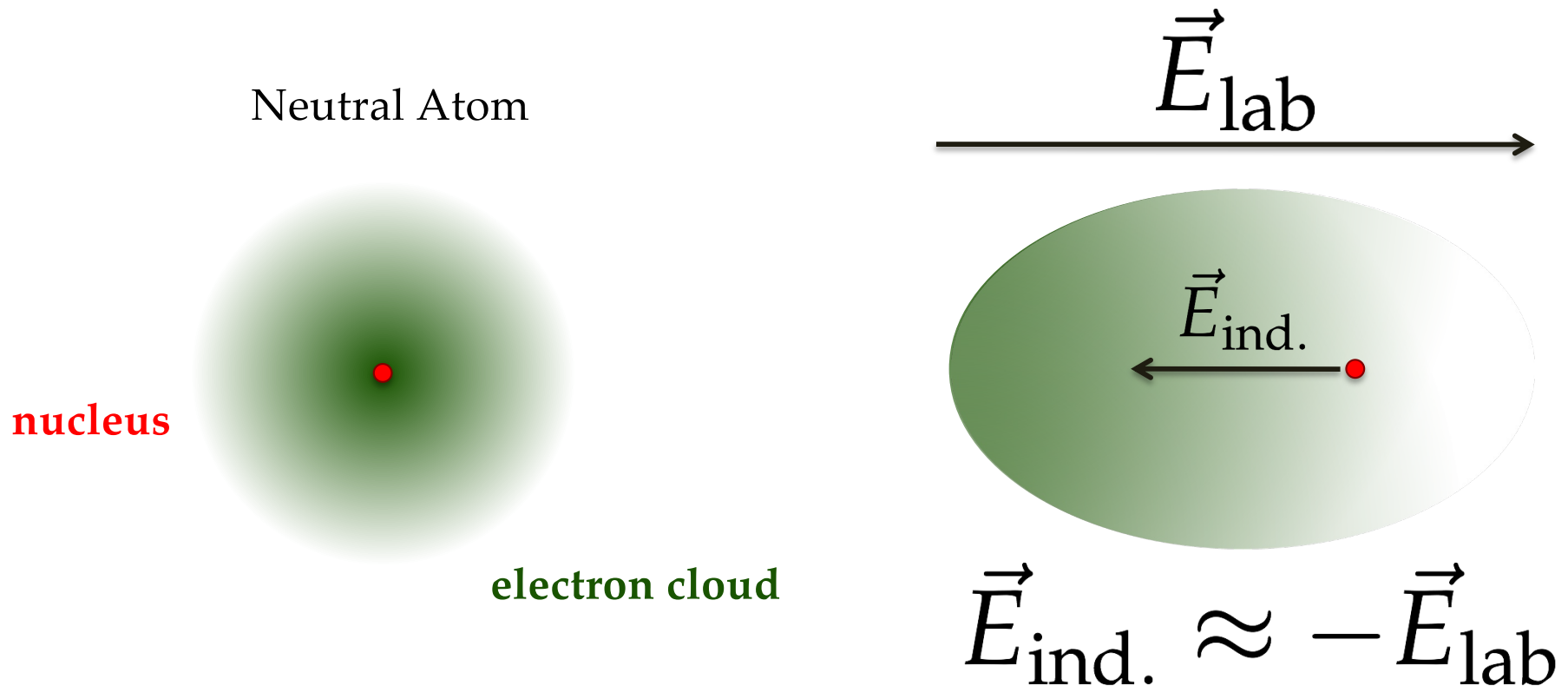




# Schiff Shielding in Diamagnetic Atoms

- Shielding in Diamagnetic Atoms

Schiff PR 132:2194 (1963)



# Shielding Imperfect with Relativistic Atoms & Finite Nuclei

- Shielding in Diamagnetic Atoms

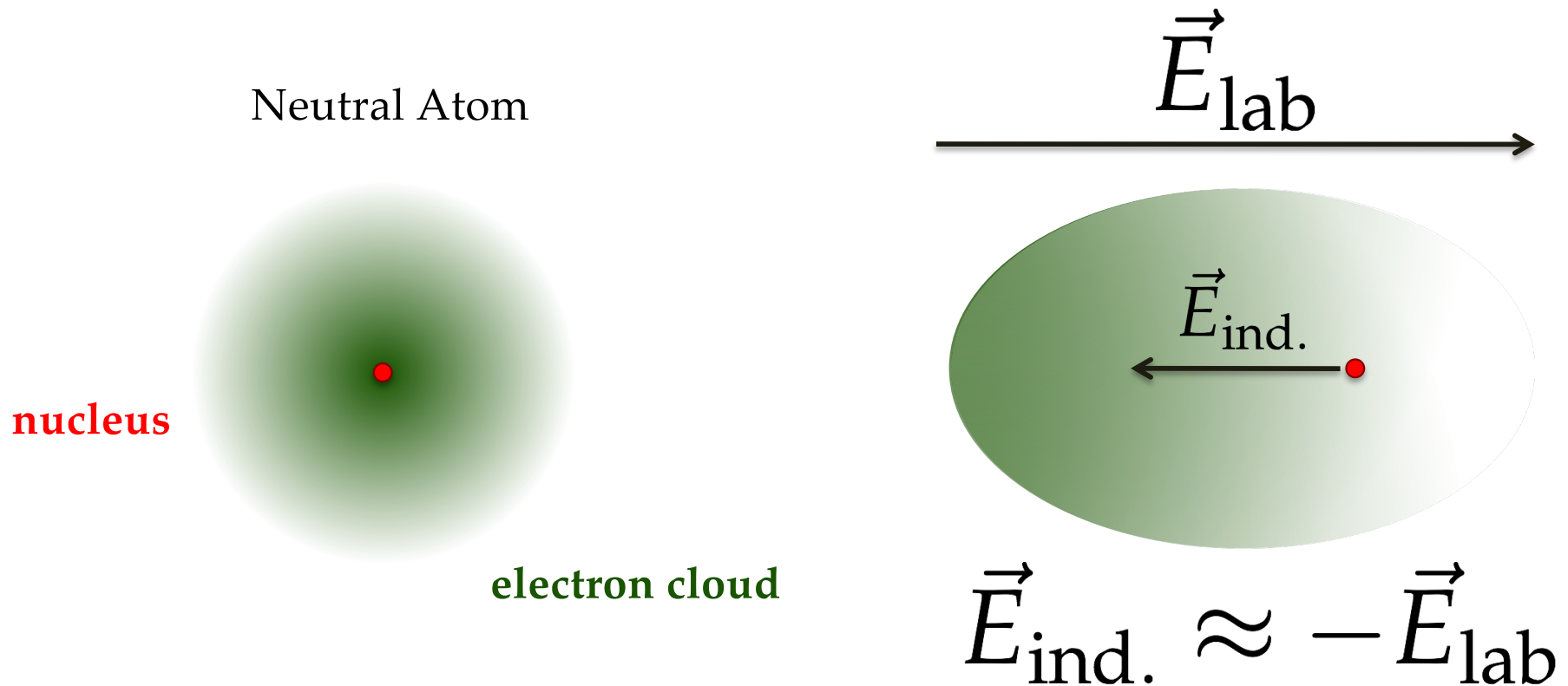
Schiff PR 132:2194 (1963)

- Relativistic atomic structure ( $^{225}\text{Ra}/^{199}\text{Hg} \sim 3$ )

PRA 66:012111 (2002) & PRL 120:203001 (2018) & PRA 92:022502 (2015)

Schiff Moment

$$\vec{S} = \frac{\langle er^2 \vec{r} \rangle}{10} - \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle \langle e\vec{r} \rangle}{6}$$

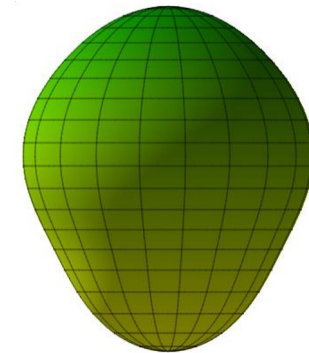


# Nuclear Schiff Moment in the Lab Frame

$$S_z = \frac{\langle er^2z \rangle}{10} - \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle \langle ez \rangle}{6}$$

$$S \equiv \langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_0 \rangle = \sum_{k \neq 0} \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_k \rangle \langle \Psi_k | V_{PT} | \Psi_0 \rangle}{E_0 - E_k} + \text{c.c.}$$

1. Body-frame nuclear deformation with large intrinsic Schiff moment
2. Difference in lab-frame nuclear energy levels
3. The CP-violating physics that we seek to measure (unknown)



Example of large intrinsic Schiff moment:  
Pear-shaped nucleus in the "body-frame"

# Enhanced Nuclear Moments with Parity Doublets

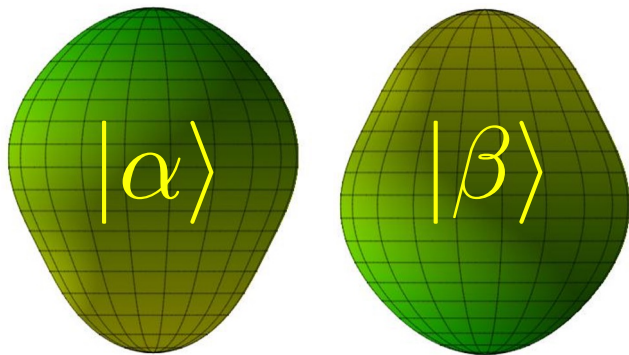
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## Parity Doublet

- Nearly degenerate parity doublet

Haxton & Henley PRL 51:1937 (1983)



$$\begin{array}{l} \text{---} \\ \uparrow \Delta E \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} |\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{|\alpha\rangle - |\beta\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \\ |\Psi_0\rangle = \frac{|\alpha\rangle + |\beta\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \end{array}$$

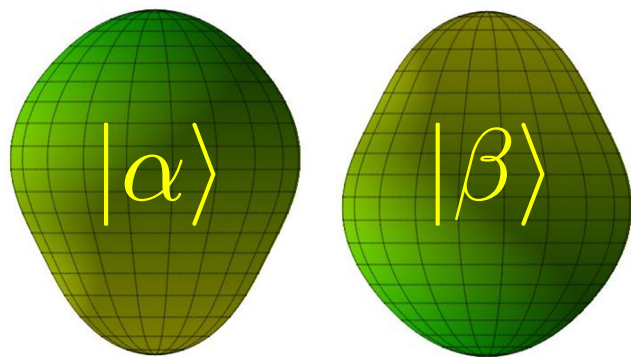


# Enhanced Schiff Moments in Deformed Nuclei

$$S_z = \frac{\langle er^2z \rangle}{10} - \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle \langle ez \rangle}{6}$$

$$S \equiv \langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_0 \rangle = \sum_{k \neq 0} \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_k \rangle \langle \Psi_k | V_{PT} | \Psi_0 \rangle}{E_0 - E_k} + \text{c.c.}$$

## Parity Doublet



- Nearly degenerate parity doublet

Haxton & Henley PRL 51:1937 (1983)

- Large intrinsic Schiff moment due to octupole deformation

Auerbach, Flambaum, & Spevak PRL 76:4316 (1996)

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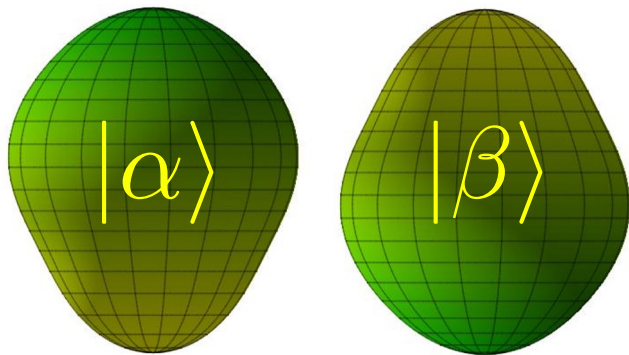
$$\text{---} \quad |\Psi_0\rangle = \frac{|\alpha\rangle + |\beta\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

# Enhanced Sensitivity in Radium-223/Radium-225

$$S_z = \frac{\langle er^2z \rangle}{10} - \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle \langle ez \rangle}{6}$$

$$S \equiv \langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_0 \rangle = \sum_{k \neq 0} \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_k \rangle \langle \Psi_k | V_{PT} | \Psi_0 \rangle}{E_0 - E_k} + \text{c.c.}$$

## Parity Doublet



55 keV

$$|\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{|\alpha\rangle - |\beta\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|\Psi_0\rangle = \frac{|\alpha\rangle + |\beta\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- Nearly degenerate parity doublet

Haxton & Henley PRL 51:1937 (1983)

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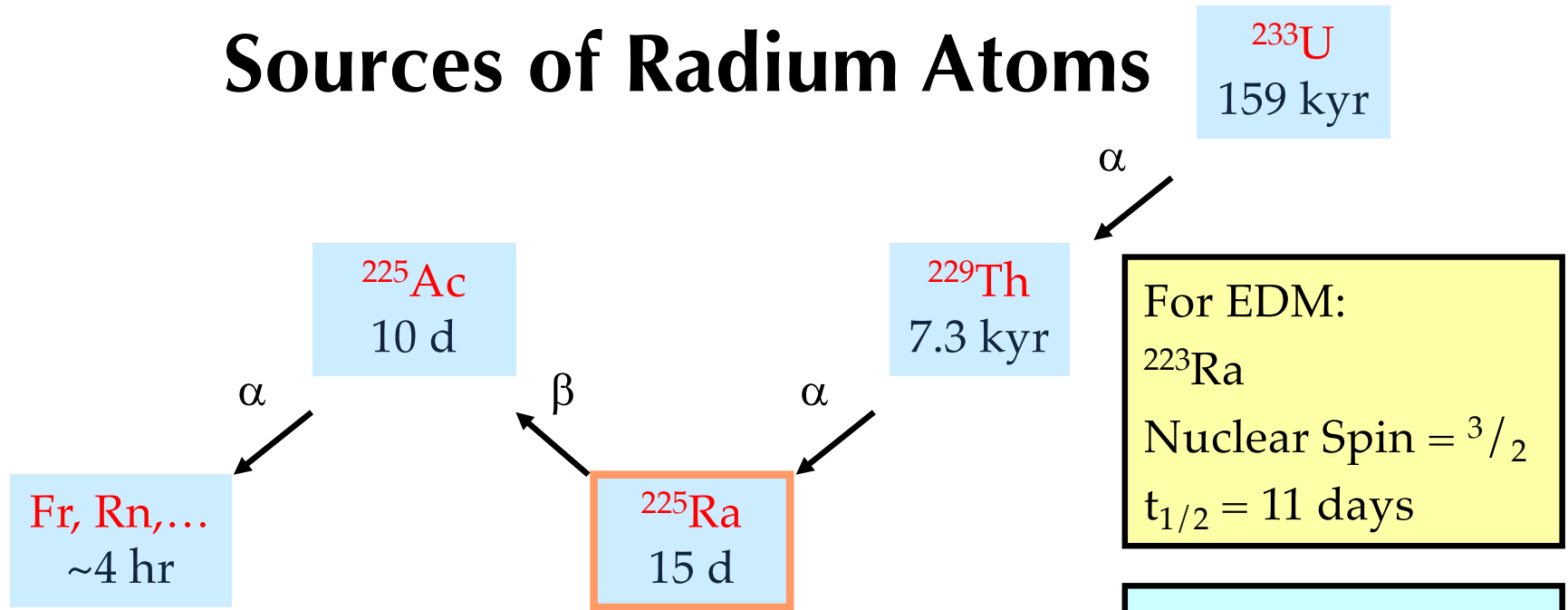
**Total Enhancement Factor: EDM ( $^{225}\text{Ra}$ ) / EDM ( $^{199}\text{Hg}$ )**

Skyrme Model	Isoscalar	Isovector
SIII	300	4000
SkM*	300	2000
SLy4	700	9000

$^{225}\text{Ra}$ : Dobaczewski & Engel PRL 94:232502 (2005)

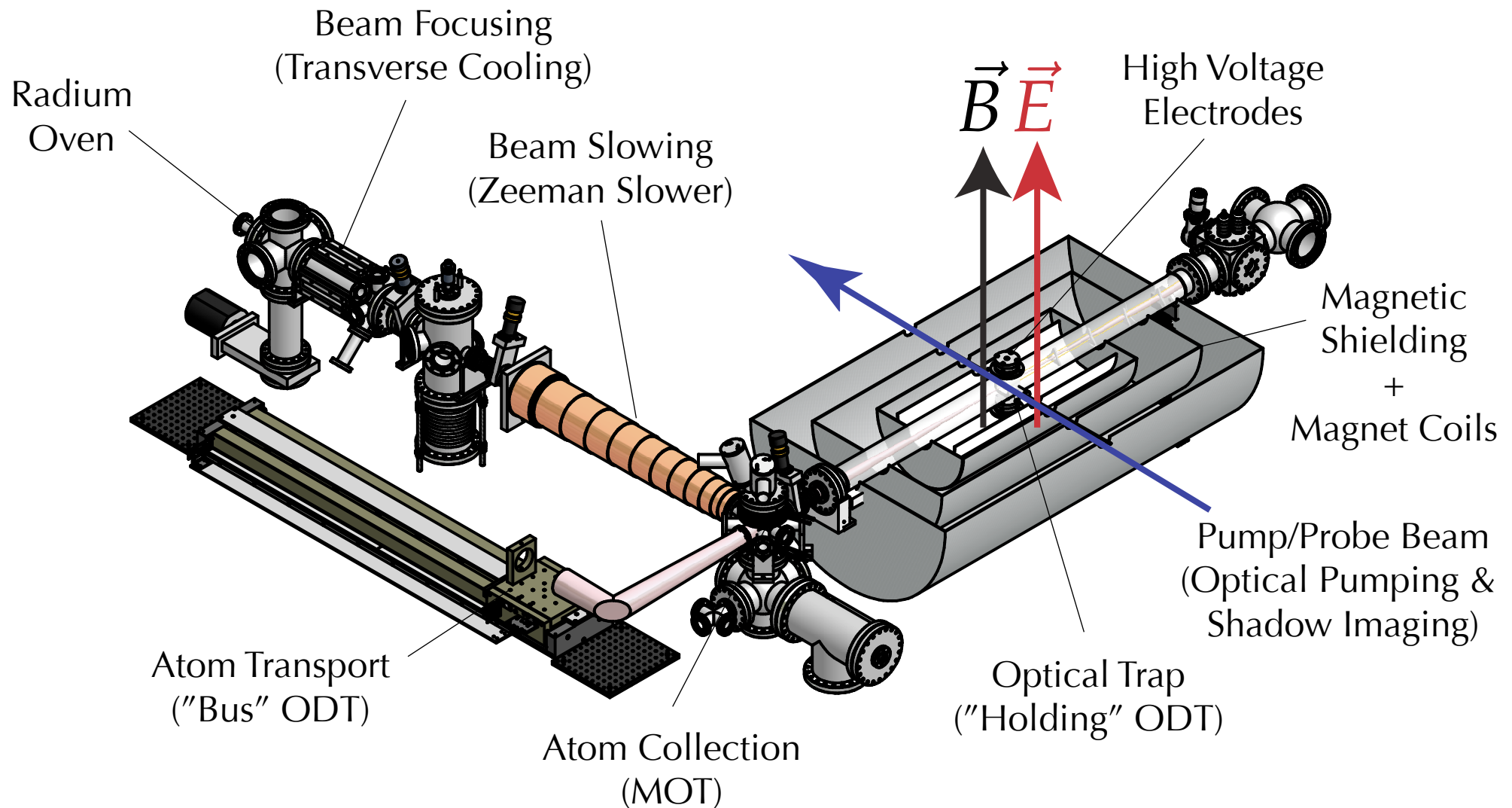
$^{199}\text{Hg}$ : Ban et al. PRC 82:015501 (2010)

# Sources of Radium Atoms



- 2 mCi (50 ng)  $^{225}\text{Ra}$  sources from:  
National Isotope Development Center (Oak Ridge, TN)
- Test source: 1  $\mu\text{Ci}$  (1 mg)  $^{226}\text{Ra}$
- Integrated Atomic Beam Flux  $\sim 10^8/\text{s}$
- **$^{225}\text{Ra}$  is reserved for cancer research (targeted alpha therapy using  $^{225}\text{Ac}$ ), but we have a plan to use a  $^{229}\text{Th}$  source.**  
Eventually, the Facility for Rare Isotope Beams will produce  $^{225}\text{Ra}$ ,  $^{229}\text{Pa}$ , etc.

# The Laser Trap Ra EDM Experiment @ Argonne





# Ra EDM: Completely Statistics Limited

Dec 2014: PRL 114:233002:  $|d(\text{Ra-225})| < 50 \times 10^{-23} e \text{ cm}$  (95%)

June 2015: PRC 94:025501:  $|d(\text{Ra-225})| < 1.4 \times 10^{-23} e \text{ cm}$  (95%)

Effect	Current uncertainty	$\alpha$ scenario uncertainty	$\beta$ scenario uncertainty
E-squared effects	$1 \times 10^{-25}$	$7 \times 10^{-29}$	$7 \times 10^{-31}$ <sup>a</sup>
B-field correlations	$1 \times 10^{-25}$	$5 \times 10^{-27}$	$3 \times 10^{-29}$ <sup>a</sup>
Holding ODT power correlations	$6 \times 10^{-26}$	$9 \times 10^{-30}$	$9 \times 10^{-32}$ <sup>a</sup>
Stark interference	$6 \times 10^{-26}$	$2 \times 10^{-27}$	$3 \times 10^{-29}$ <sup>a</sup>
E-field ramping	$9 \times 10^{-28}$	$2 \times 10^{-29}$	N/A
Blue laser power correlations	$7 \times 10^{-28}$	$1 \times 10^{-31}$	$1 \times 10^{-31}$
Blue laser frequency correlations	$4 \times 10^{-28}$	$8 \times 10^{-30}$	$8 \times 10^{-30}$
$\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{v}$ effects	$4 \times 10^{-28}$	$7 \times 10^{-30}$	N/A
Leakage current	$3 \times 10^{-28}$	$9 \times 10^{-29}$	N/A
Geometric phase	$3 \times 10^{-31}$	$7 \times 10^{-30}$	$5 \times 10^{-33}$
Total	$2 \times 10^{-25}$	$5 \times 10^{-27}$	$4 \times 10^{-29}$ <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>This uncertainty will improve with the statistical sensitivity of the experiment.

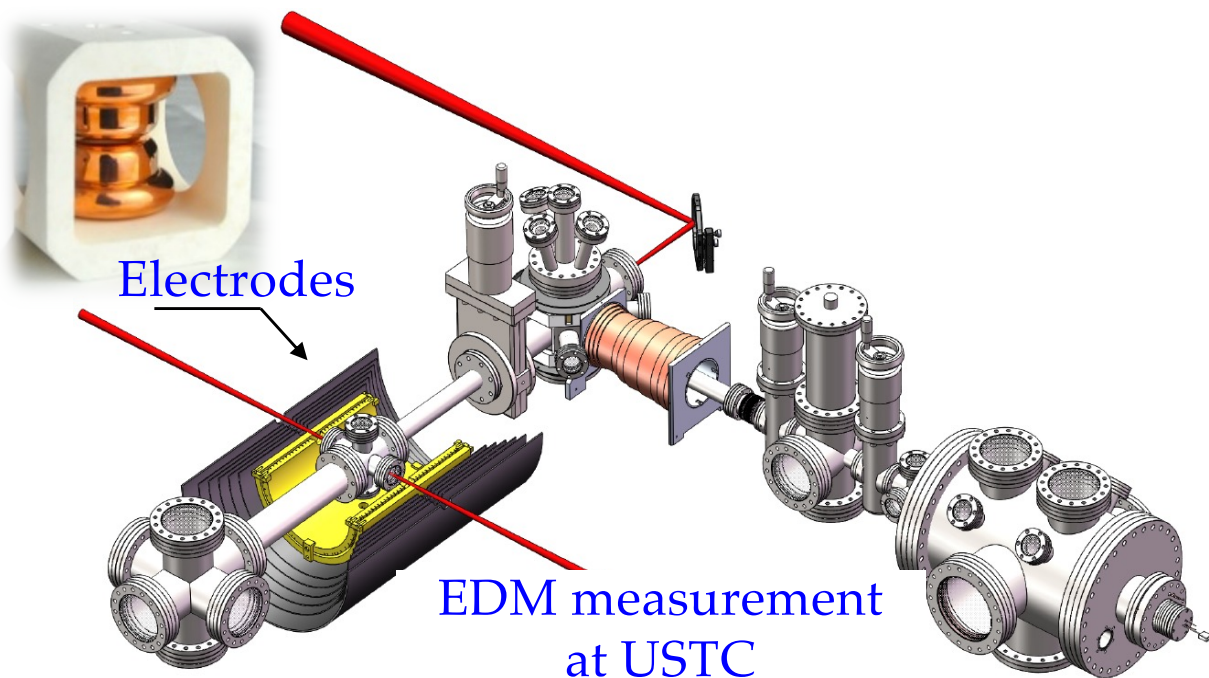
More efficient detection of atoms: optical cycling

More efficient laser cooling and trapping: 1 ppm to 100 ppm

Higher electric field: 70 kV / cm to >200 kV / cm

**Goal is  $<10^{-26} e \text{ cm}$  over 4 years and then  $10^{-28} e \text{ cm}$  long term**

# 2022: Atomic EDM of $^{171}\text{Yb}$ (Stable) in a Laser Trap Using Laser Probing



- Pathfinder experiment for  $^{223,225}\text{Ra}$
- Coherent spin precession time  $> 300$  s
- $\text{EDM}(^{171}\text{Yb}) < 1.5 \times 10^{-26} \text{ e-cm}$  (95% C.L.),  
equivalent to  $\sim 1000 \times \text{EDM}(^{199}\text{Hg})$

PRL 129, 083001 (2022)

slide from Z.-T. Lu

- Determined the magic ODT (optical dipole trap) wavelength  
PRA 102, 062805 (2020)
- Developed a quantum non-demolition (QND) method with a spin-detection efficiency of 50%  
arXiv:2209.08218v1 (2022)
- Observed the systematic due to parity mixing in ODT, and suppressed the effect by averaging measurements with ODTs in opposite directions
- Upgrades underway to improve sensitivity by  $\times 100$

# Recent Results in Xe-129 and Yb-171 (Not Pear-Shaped)

Ra-225: PRC 94:025501 (2016):  $< 1.4 \times 10^{-23} e \text{ cm}$  (95%)  
(laser trap experiment)

Xe-129: PRL 123:143003 (2019):  $< 1.4 \times 10^{-27} e \text{ cm}$  (95%)  
(gas cell experiment)

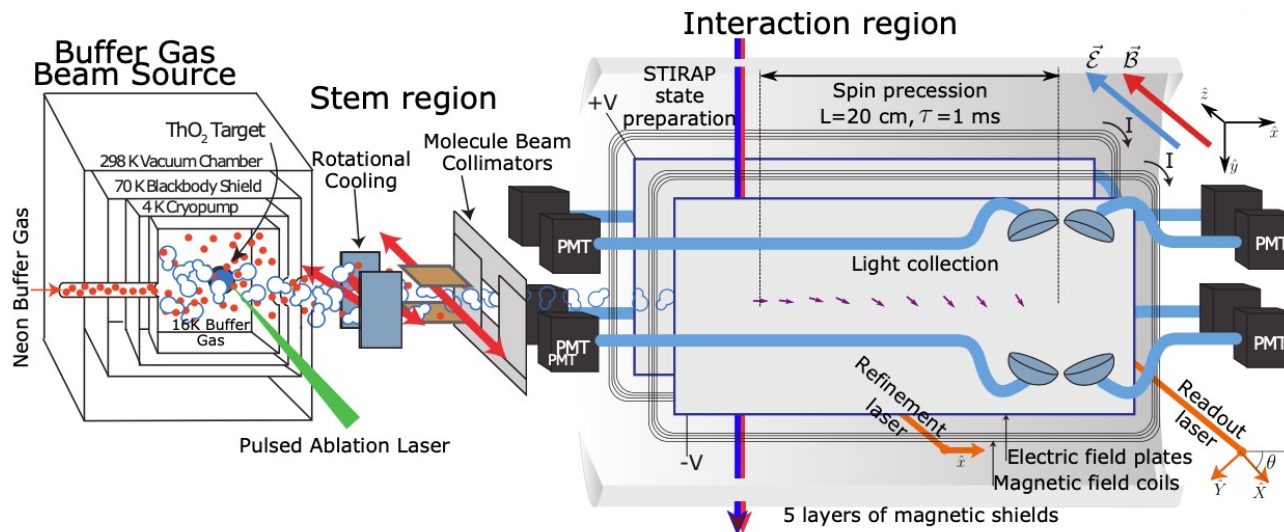
Yb-171: PRL 129:083001 (2022):  $< 1.5 \times 10^{-26} e \text{ cm}$  (95%)  
(laser trap experiment, very similar to Ra experiment)

- The new physics constraints within the hadronic sector for all three of these experiments are roughly equal.
- The Yb experiment validates the laser trap approach for Ra for at least another three orders of magnitude.

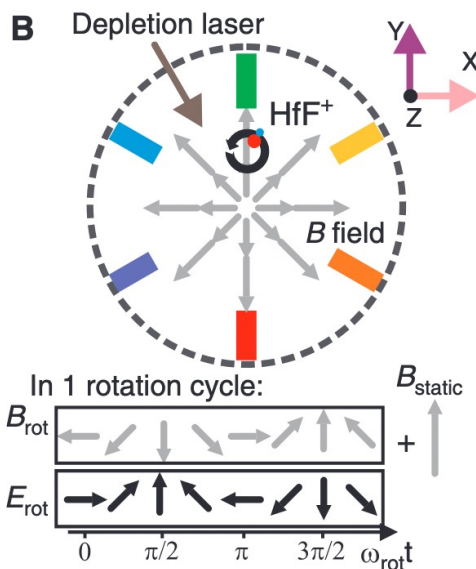
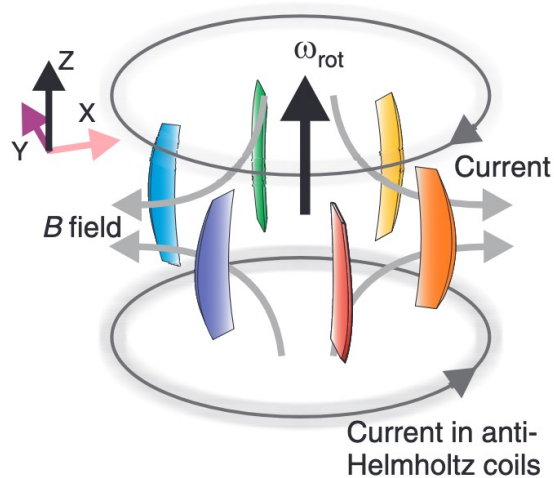
# Molecular Electron EDM Experiments: Large Internal E-field and Control of Systematics

ACME – ThO\*  
Neutral Beam  
(Chicago/  
Harvard/  
Northwestern)

C. Panda (Harvard 2018)  
Nature 562 355 (2018)



A  $\vec{E}_{rot} = E_{rot} (\cos(\omega_{rot}t) \hat{x} + \sin(\omega_{rot}t) \hat{y})$



HfF<sup>+</sup> / ThF<sup>+</sup>  
Ion Trap  
(JILA)

Science 342 (6163) 1220 (2013)  
PRL 119 153001 (2017)  
arxiv:2212.11841 (2022)

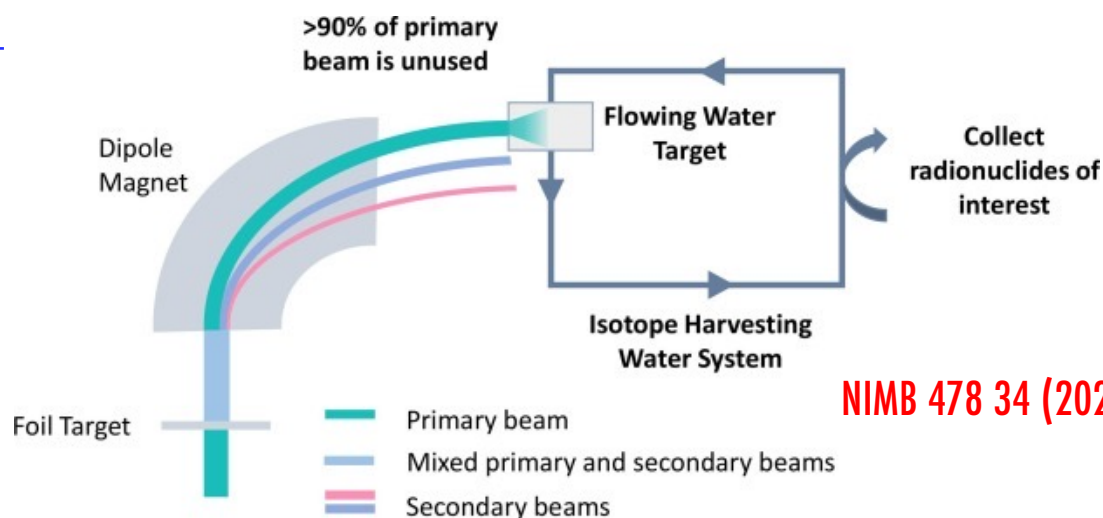


# Opportunity for Nuclear Schiff Moments: Short-Lived Pear-Shaped Nuclei Inside Molecules

**Enhancements:** nuclear Schiff moment enhancement of  $\times 1000$  ( $^{225}\text{Ra}$ )  
to maybe(!?!)  $\times 1000000$  ( $^{229}\text{Pa}$ )  
*and*  $\sim 100$  MV/cm effective internal E-field (lab  $< 1$  MV/cm)

**Potential:**  $\times 10^5$  to  $\times 10^{10}$  more new physics sensitivity than the  $^{199}\text{Hg}$  experiment on a per atom basis.

**Opportunity:**  
**Isotope harvesting @ FRIB:**  
from “Beam to Beaker”  
( $^{225}\text{Ra}$ ,  $^{229}\text{Pa}$ , ...)



## Challenges:

- How do we get the harvested isotopes from “Beaker” into an experiment?
- How do we calibrate the new physics sensitivity of these “enhancer isotopes” inside of molecules?
- How do we efficiently form & probe short-lived radioactive molecules?

# Facility for Rare Isotope Beams @ MSU



Michigan State University  
East Lansing, MI  
Bad at American Football  
Home of FRIB

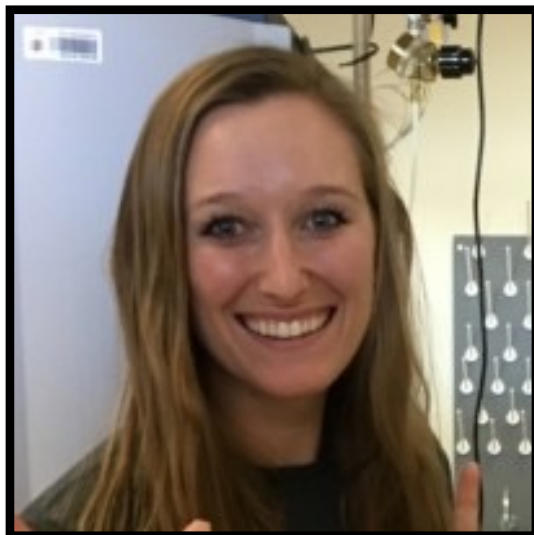
University of Michigan  
Ann Arbor, MI  
Good at American Football  
no FRIB

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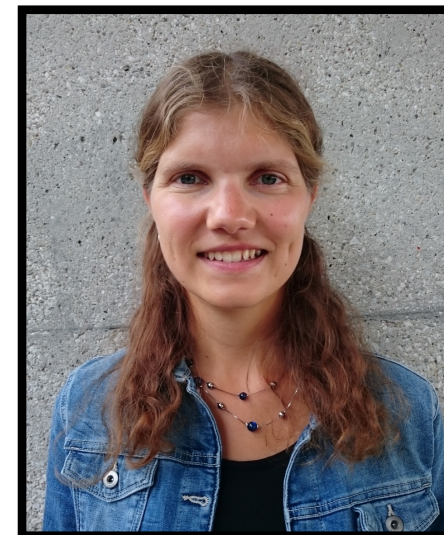
# “Isotope Harvesting” at The Facility for Rare Isotope Beams (MSU/East Lansing)



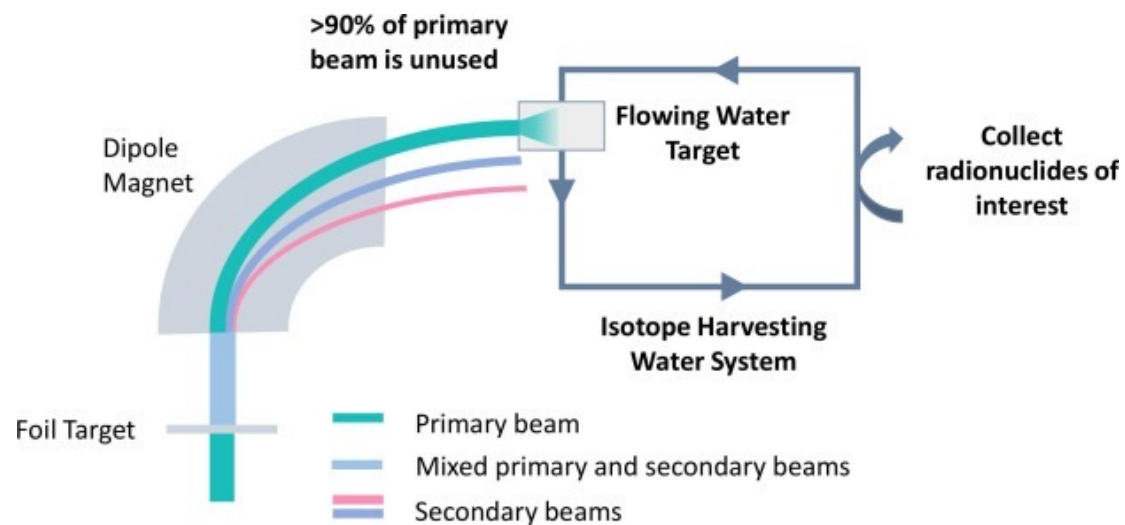
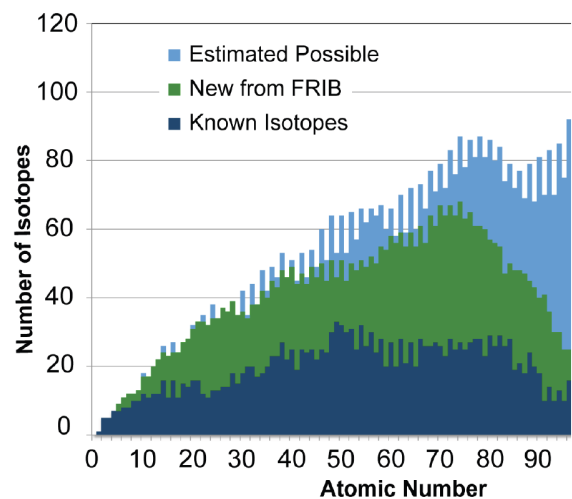
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Prof. Alyssa Gaiser

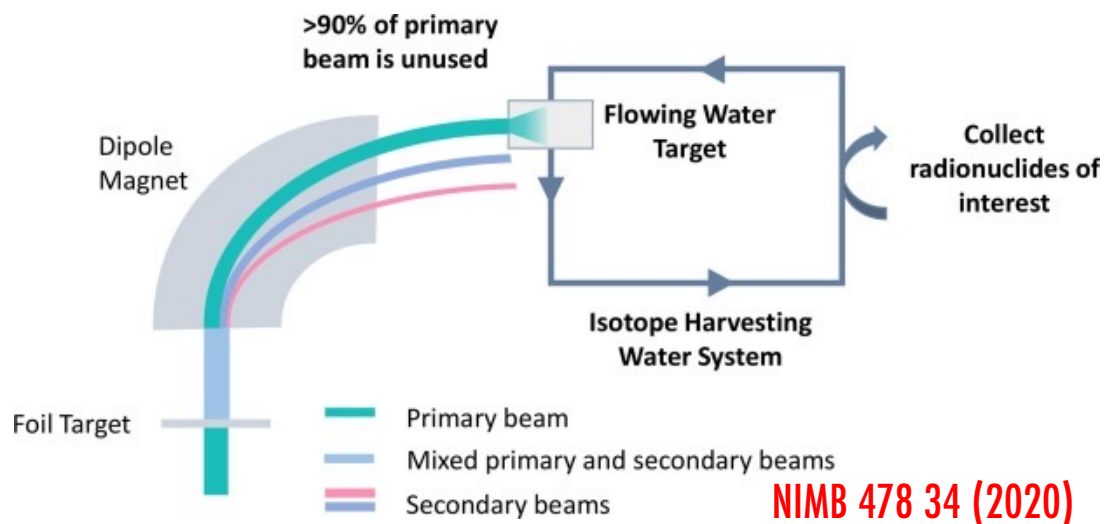


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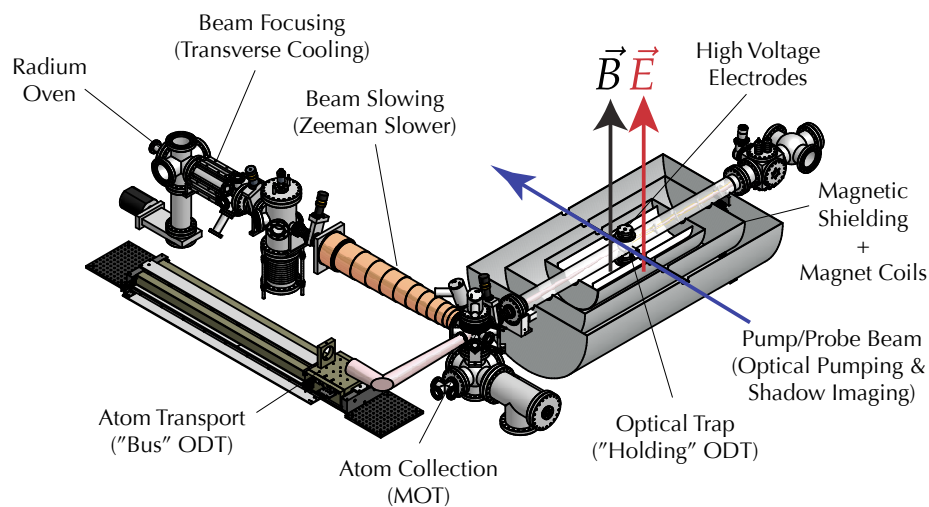
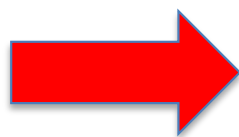




# \$upport Needed For “Beaker to Experiment”



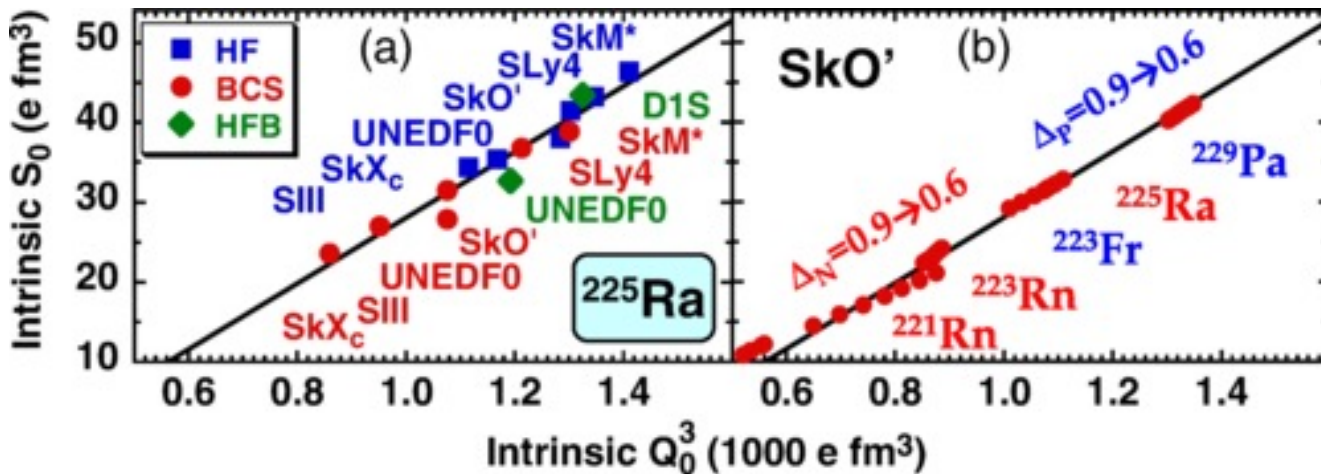
- FRIB Operations is supported by DOE-NP
- Isotope Harvesting @ FRIB is supported by DOE-Isotopes





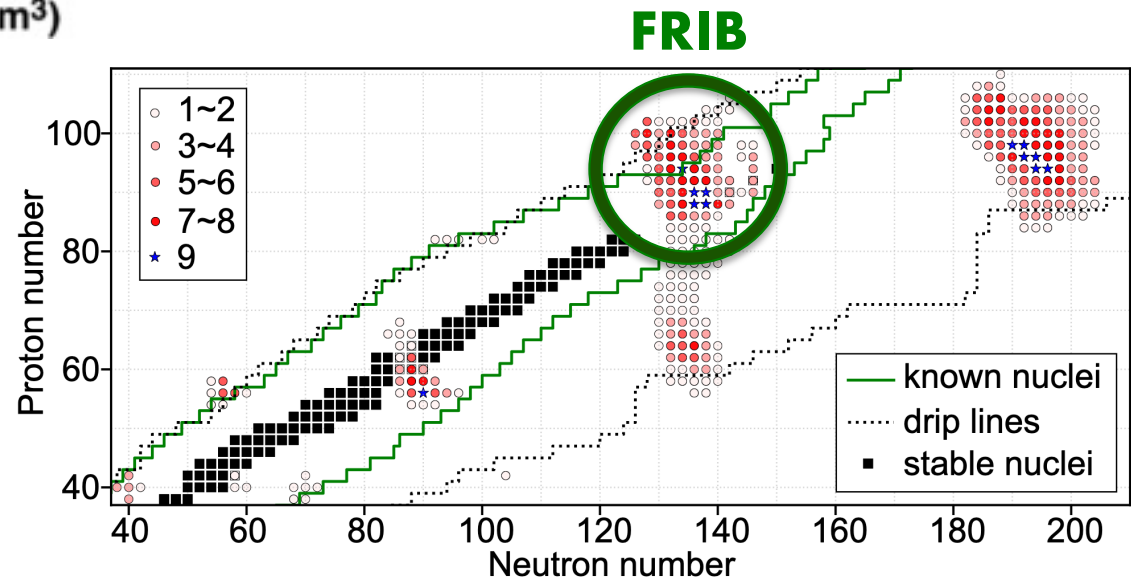
# Calibrating the Intrinsic Schiff Moment

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PRL 121, 232501 (2018)  
Phys. Rev. C, 102:024311 (2020)

Nuclear structure measurements combined with nuclear theory can calibrate the new physics sensitivity of “enhancer” isotopes with uncertainty quantification!



# Protactinium-229 ( $^{229}\text{Pa}$ ) \*may\* be unusually sensitive!

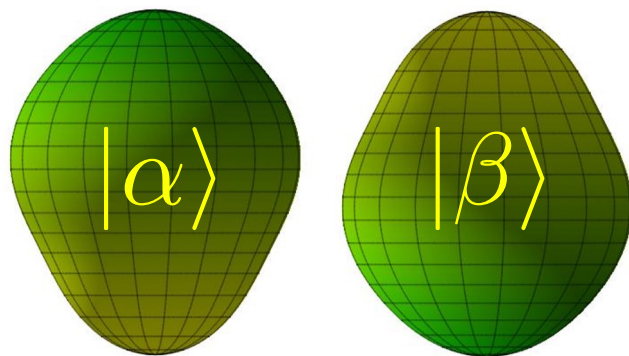
$$S_z = \frac{\langle er^2z \rangle}{10} - \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle \langle ez \rangle}{6}$$

Choose an isotope with large deformations

$$S \equiv \langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_0 \rangle = \sum_{k \neq 0} \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | S_z | \Psi_k \rangle \langle \Psi_k | V_{PT} | \Psi_0 \rangle}{E_0 - E_k} + \text{c.c.}$$

Unknown

## Parity Doublet



$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E & \updownarrow \\ |\Psi_1\rangle &= \frac{|\alpha\rangle - |\beta\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\ |\Psi_0\rangle &= \frac{|\alpha\rangle + |\beta\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Pa-229: Haxton & Henley PRL 51:1937 (1983)

I. Ahmad et al Phys. Rev. C 92:024313 (2015)

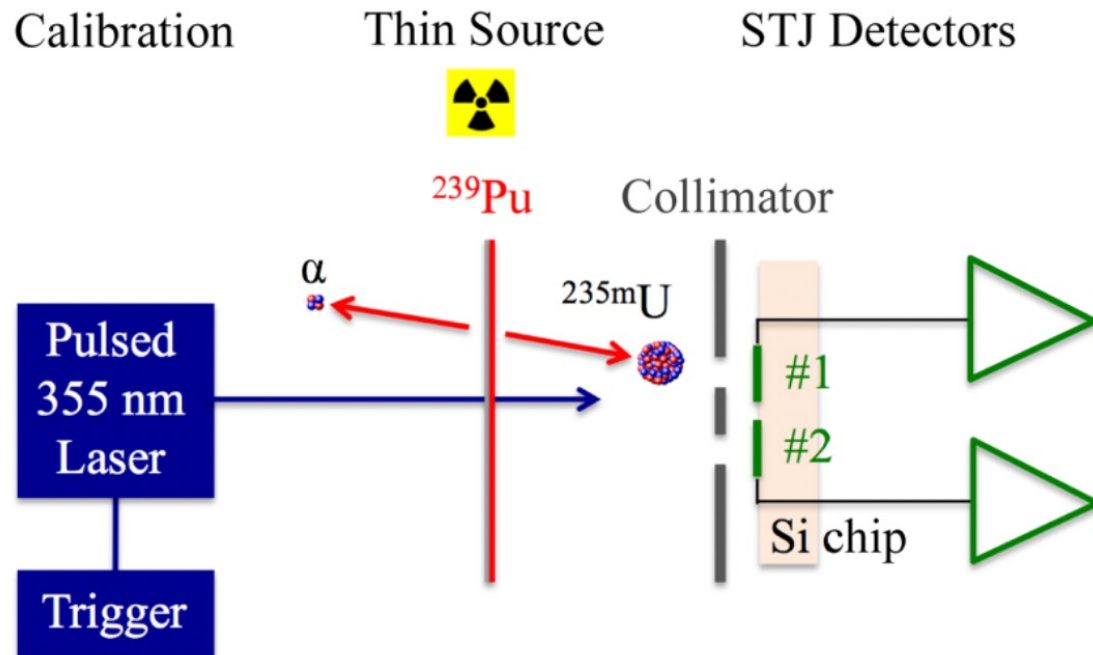
Dobaczewski et al PRL 121, 232501 (2018)

Isotope	$\Delta E$ (keV)	$\tau_{1/2}$ (sec)	sensitivity
Hg-199	1800	stable	1
Rn-223	$\sim 10^2?$	$10^3$	$10^2$
Ra-225	55	$10^6$	$10^3$
<b>Pa-229</b>	<b>(0.06 +/- 0.05)?</b>	<b><math>10^5</math></b>	<b><math>10^6</math></b>

FRIB will make lots of Pa-229!

# Planned Pa-229 Nuclear Spectroscopy @ FRIB!

We have used superconducting high-resolution radiation detectors to measure the energy level of metastable  $^{235m}\text{U}$  as  $76.737 \pm 0.018$  eV. The  $^{235m}\text{U}$  isomer is created from the  $\alpha$  decay of  $^{239}\text{Pu}$  and embedded directly into the detector. When the  $^{235m}\text{U}$  subsequently decays, the energy is fully contained within the detector and is



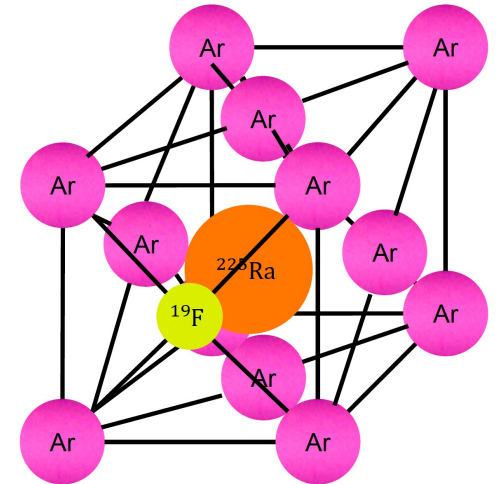
PRC 97 054310 (2018)

FIG. 1. Schematic of experimental setup:  $^{235m}\text{U}$  recoil ions produced by the decay of  $^{239}\text{Pu}$  are embedded in the STJ detectors, which measure their subsequent decay into the  $^{235}\text{U}$  ground state.

# Pear-Shaped Nuclei Implanted In Cryogenic Solids:

$^{225}\text{RaF}$  ( $t_{1/2} = 15$  days) &  $^{229}\text{Pa}$  ( $t_{1/2} = 1.5$  days)

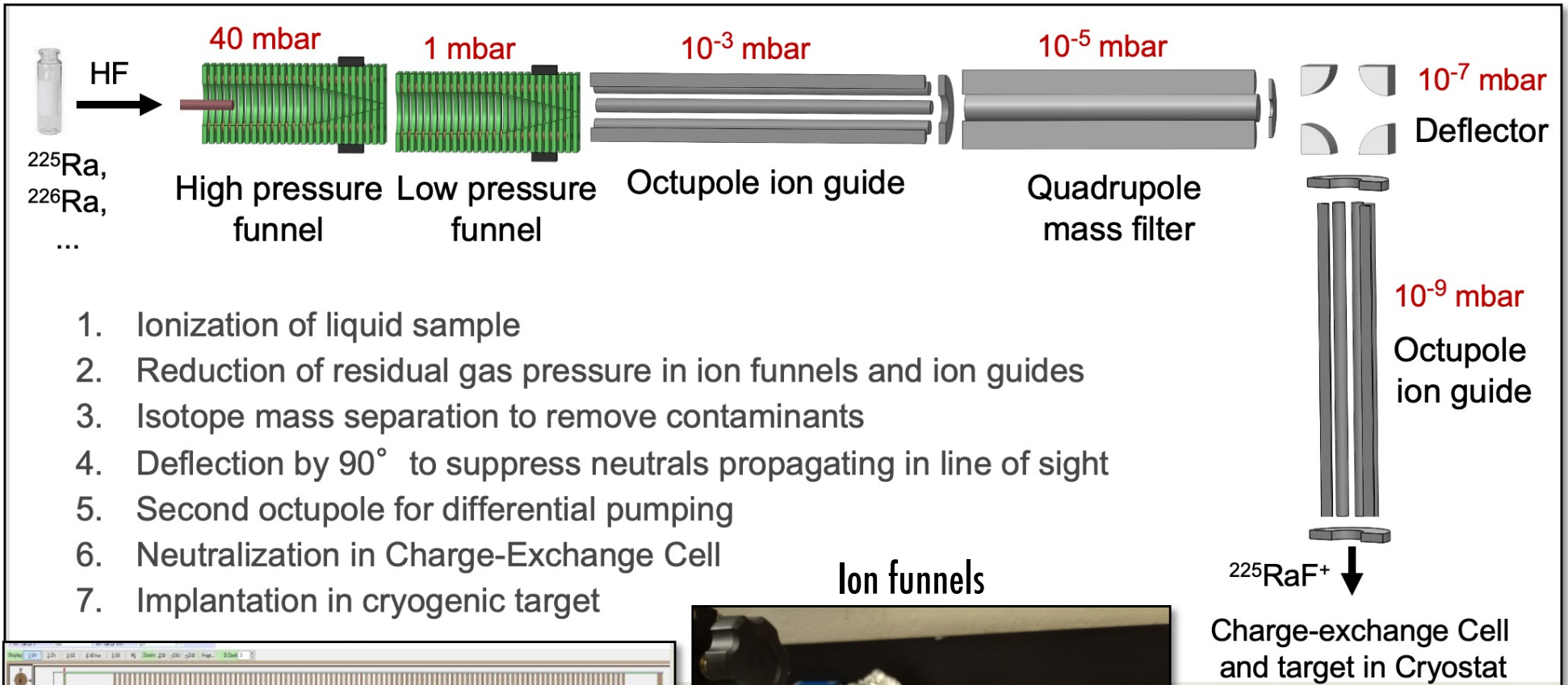
- Efficient trapping of a wide variety of species
- Very high number densities
- Stable and chemically inert confinement
- Transparent in the optical regime for optical probing
- Under certain conditions, polar molecules orient themselves along the crystal axes which allows for control of systematics: [PRA 98:032513 \(2018\)](#)
- **Challenge: quantum control in rare gas solids**
- Ions implanted in optical crystals allowing for optically-addressable nuclear spins [Hyp. Int. 240:29 \(2019\)](#)
- Implanted ions can sit at two distinct sites with opposite pointing internal E-fields which allows for control of systematics [PR 131 1912 \(1963\)](#)
- Efforts are underway to form & implant molecules & ions into solids



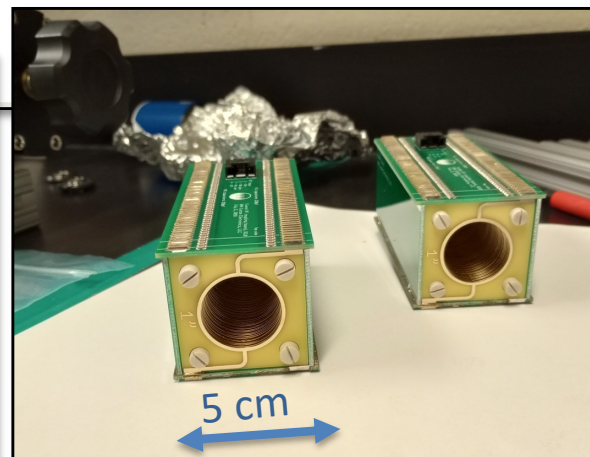
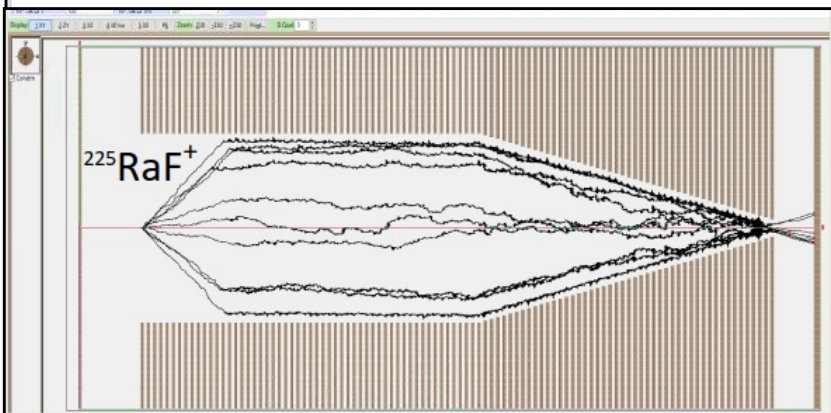
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# RaF & RaOH in Noble Gas Solids (MSU/York/Toronto)



1. Ionization of liquid sample
2. Reduction of residual gas pressure in ion funnels and ion guides
3. Isotope mass separation to remove contaminants
4. Deflection by  $90^\circ$  to suppress neutrals propagating in line of sight
5. Second octupole for differential pumping
6. Neutralization in Charge-Exchange Cell
7. Implantation in cryogenic target



GAA Custom Electronics  
(Gordon Anderson)

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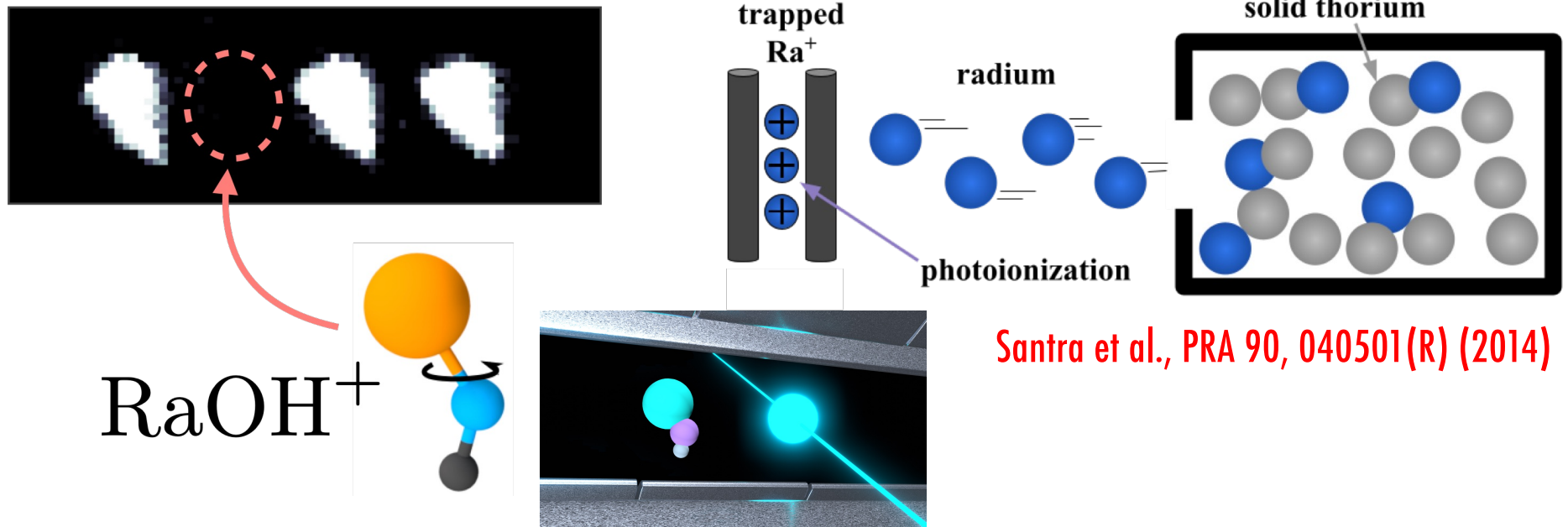
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# Quantum Logic Spectroscopy of Single Molecular Ions: $^{225}\text{RaOH}^+$ , $^{225}\text{RaSH}^+$ , & $^{225}\text{RaOCH}_3^+$ ( $t_{1/2} = 15$ days)

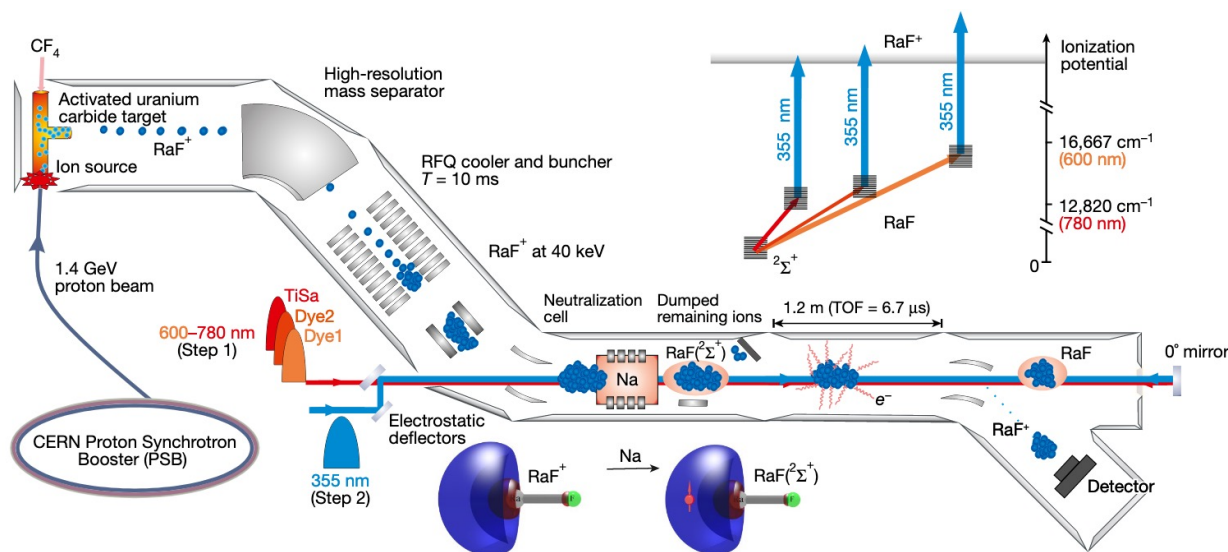


Santra et al., PRA 90, 040501(R) (2014)

- Spectroscopy and atomic structure measurements of the logic ion  $\text{Ra}^+$   
PRL 122, 223001 (2019), PRA 100, 062512 (2019), PRA 100, 062504 (2019), PRA 102, 042822 (2020)  
PRA 105, 042801 (2022)
- Formation of relevant CPV-sensitive single molecular ions  
PRL 126, 023002 (2021)
- Identification of candidate molecular ions with pear-shaped nuclei with enhanced CPV sensitivity  
PRL 126, 023003 (2021)

slide from A. Jayich

# Direct Laser Cooling of Neutral Molecules Into a Laser Trap: $^{225}\text{RaF}$ & $^{225}\text{RaOH}$ ( $t_{1/2} = 15$ days)



- Molecular spectroscopy of  $\text{RaF}$  is underway!
- Laser cooling of  $\text{RaF}$  appears feasible and scheme is under development

**Nature 581:396 (2020)**  
**PRL 127:033001 (2021)**

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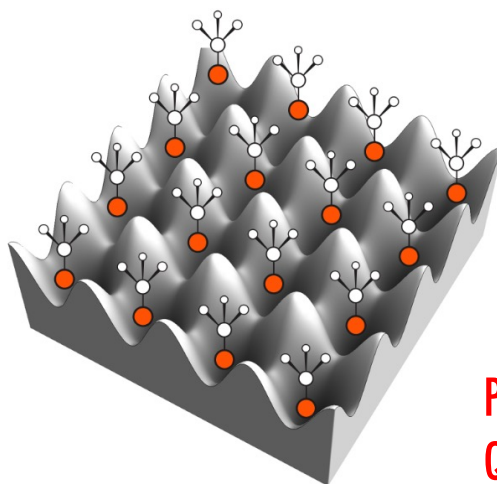
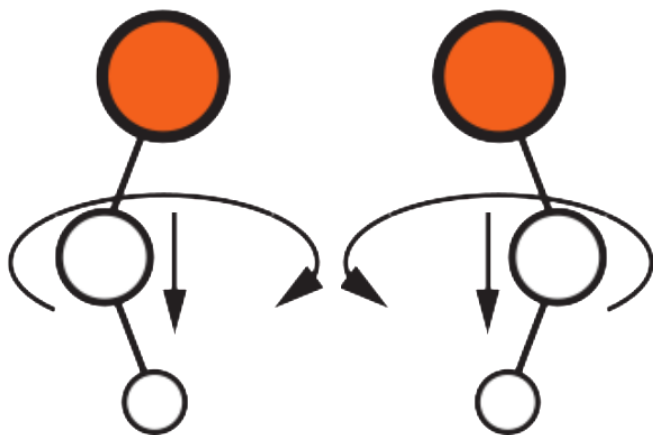
## Benefits of Polyatomic Molecules

- Laser coolable & trappable
- Highly polarizable
- Comagnetometer states for control of systematics
- High CPV sensitivity

**PRL 119, 133002 (2017)**

**Quantum Science & Tech. 5, 044011 (2020)**

**slide from N. Hutzler**



# Ultracold Assembly of Neutral Molecules Within A Laser Trap: $^{223}\text{FrAg}$ ( $t_{1/2} = 22$ minutes)

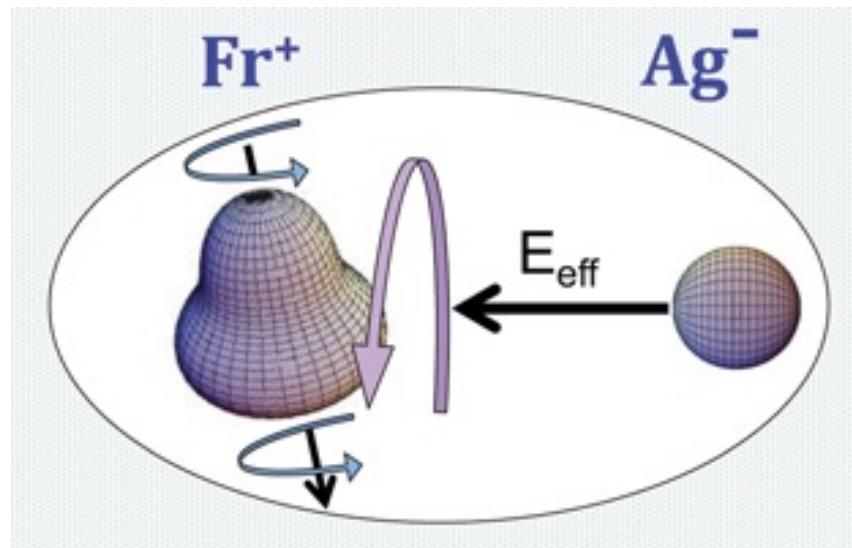
- Included in Gen-I Estimate:

- 300x NSM enhancement
- near-ideal molecular structure
- $t_{\text{coh}} \sim 10$  S [Cornish, Zwierlein, etc.]
- ~100% detection efficiency
- $n = 10^4$  molecules

⇒ ~1000x projected improvement  
vs.  $^{199}\text{Hg}$  state of the art

Needs major involvement of  
radiochemists,  
thermal ion beam source experts,  
radiological safety experts, ...  
to develop  $^{223}\text{Fr}^+$  ion source

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

Theory calculations favorable:

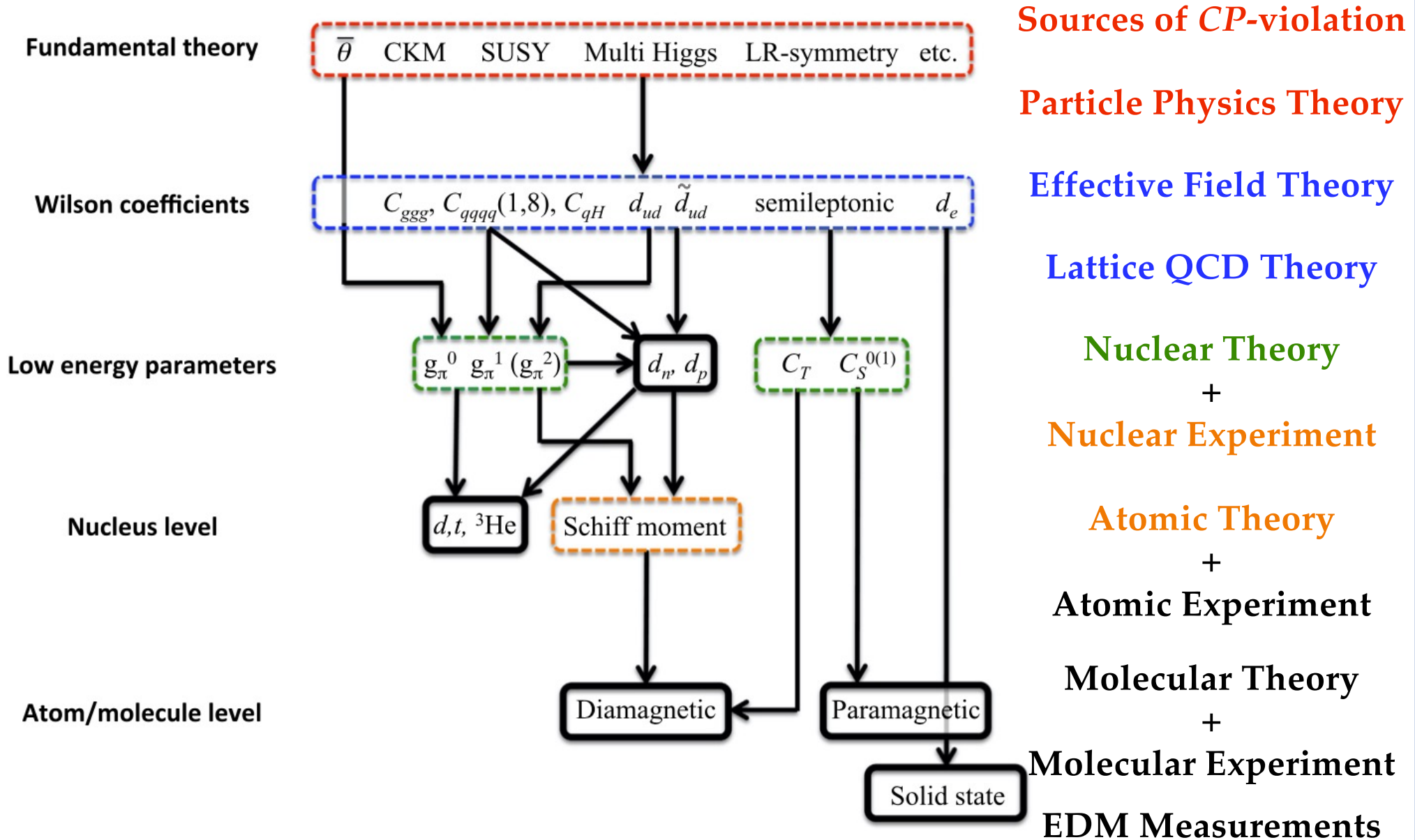
*New J. Phys. 23 113039 (2021)*

*New J. Phys. 24 025005 (2022)*

odd-proton nuclei like  $^{223}\text{Fr}$  probe  
largely orthogonal parameter  
space vs. odd-neutron species

# Connecting New Physics to EDMs

T.E. Chupp, P. Fierlinger, M. Ramsey-Musolf, JTS, RMP 91:015001



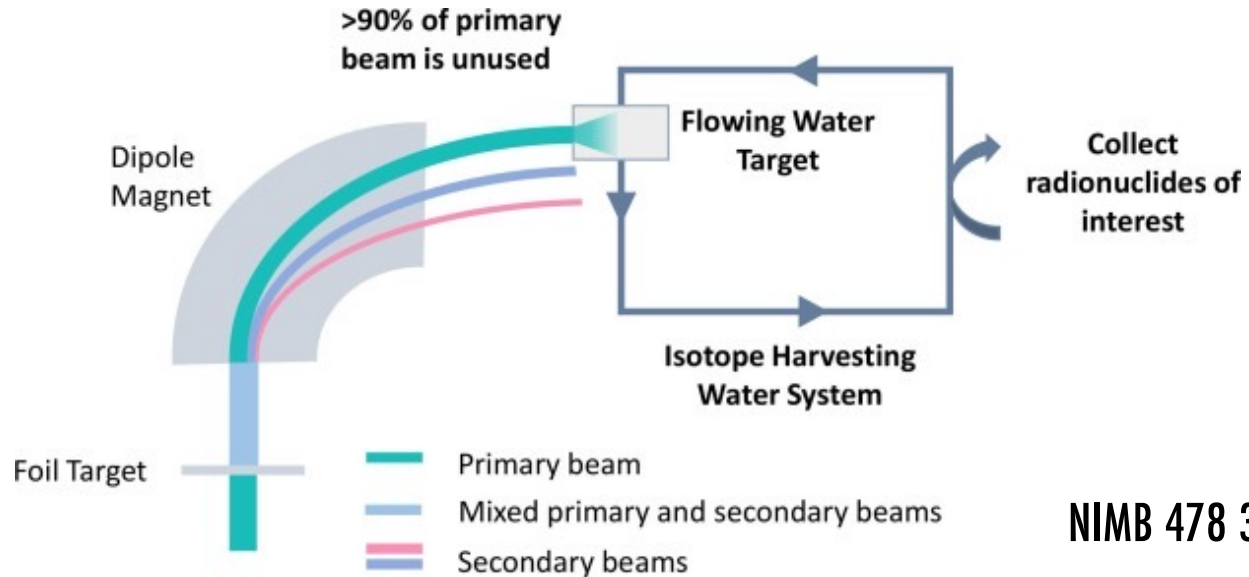


# The Nuclear Pear Factory: A Proposed Center

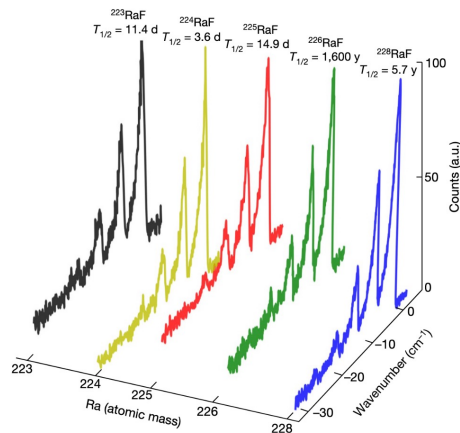


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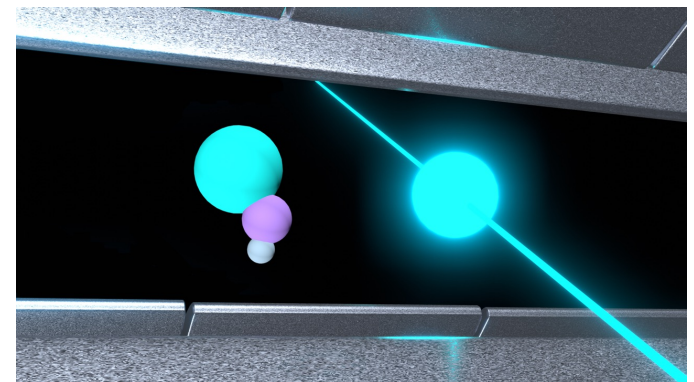
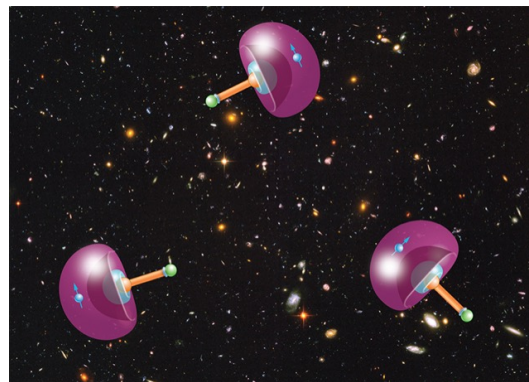
A joint Experiment/Theory & AMO/Nuclear effort to calibrate the new physics sensitivity of pear-shaped nuclei and to carry out the requisite precursory work leading to ultrasensitive EDM searches.



NIMB 478 34 (2020)



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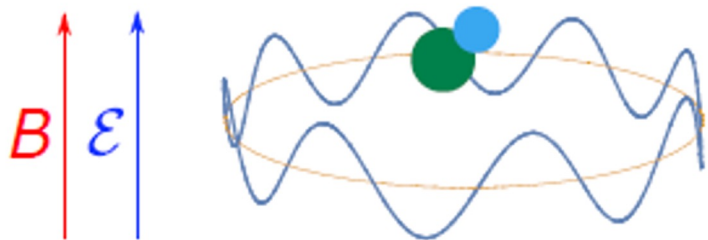
<https://physics.aps.org/articles/v14/103> & A.M. Jayich



# Single, *Trapped* Radioactive Molecules for Nuclear Science

Direct, **high-precision** access to **electroweak** nuclear properties at the intersection of AMO, nuclear and particle physics:

- Hadronic parity violation
- “TeV-scale” Z'-boson search
- Nuclear electroweak structure



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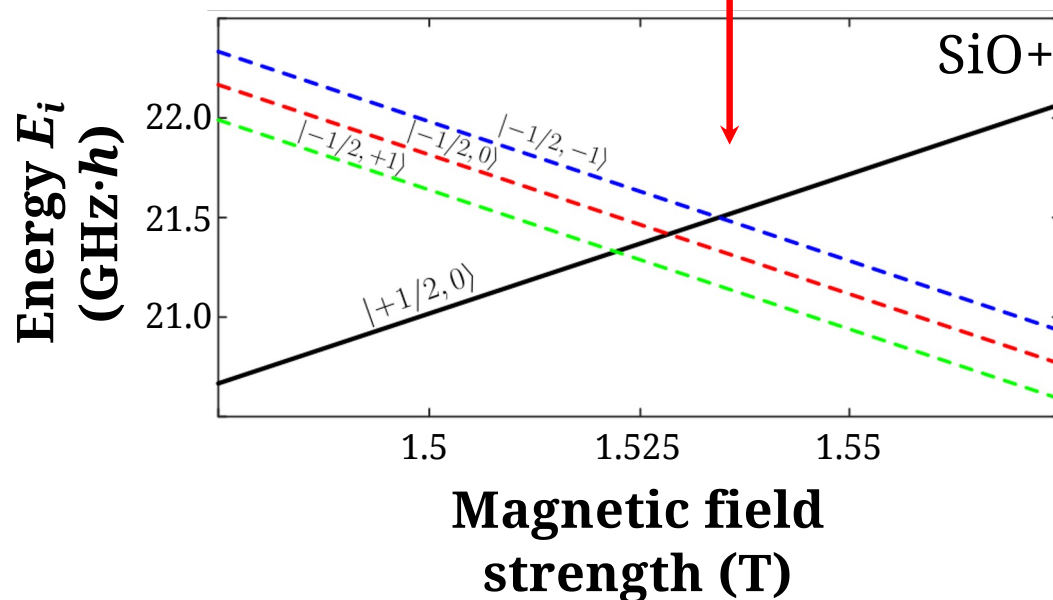
[Hutzler et al. arXiv 2302.02165 \(2023\).](#)

$$E_{PV} \sim \frac{\langle \psi_{\uparrow}^+ | H_{\pm} | \psi_{\downarrow}^- \rangle}{E_- - E_+}$$

Degeneracy + Stark mixing  
→ amplification by  $>10^{11}$

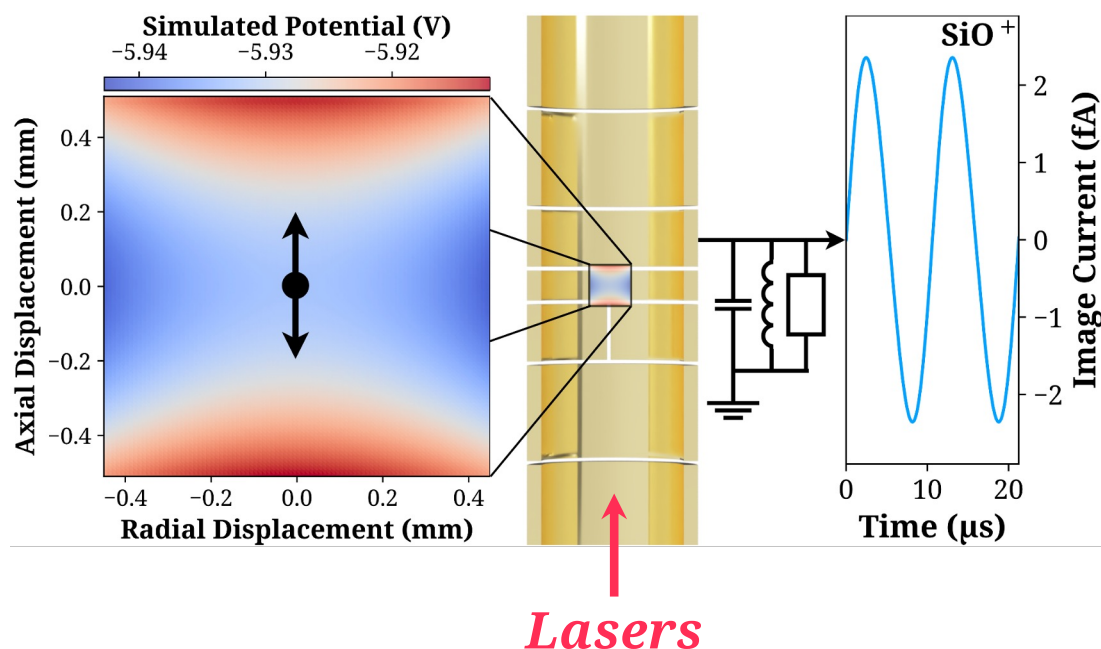


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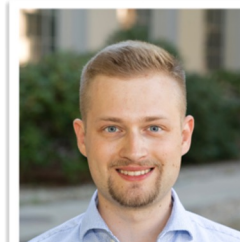


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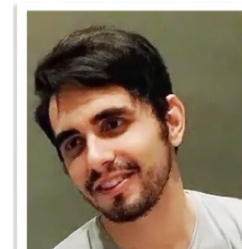
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## → *Penning Ion Trap:*

- Strong magnetic field + RF field
- Full control over eigenmotions
- Direct information through image charge

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J. Dilling (ORNL), K. Blaum (MPIK)

# Thanks For Your Attention!

1. Detecting a non-zero EDM would be an unambiguous signature of physics Beyond the Standard Model of Particle Physics.
2. Pear-shaped nuclei such as Radium-225 and Protactinium-229 have significantly enhanced sensitivity to  $CP$ -violation originating within the nuclear medium.
3. **Short-lived radioactive molecules potentially have  $\times 10^5$  to  $\times 10^{10}$  more new physics sensitivity than Hg-199 in the hadronic sector on a per atom basis.**
4. **Isotope harvesting and radiochemistry at FRIB enables access to these enhancer isotopes in practical quantities for ultrasensitive EDM searches.**
5. **We propose a center, The Nuclear Pear Factory, to realize the unprecedented discovery potential made possible by short-lived radioactive molecules.**

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