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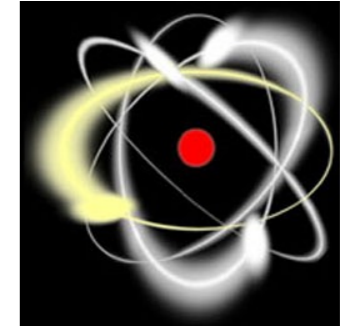
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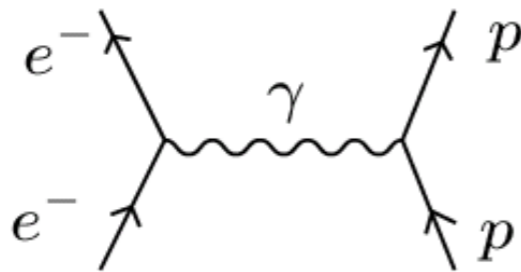
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Parity transformation:  $\mathbf{r}_i \rightarrow -\mathbf{r}_i$

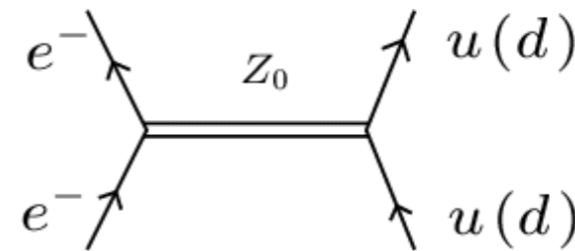
$[H_{\text{atomic}}, \mathbf{P}] = 0 \Rightarrow$  Atomic stationary states are eigenstates of Parity

Electromagnetic



Conserve parity

Electroweak



Do not conserve parity

Z-boson exchange spoils parity conservation

**What is the strength of electroweak coupling of quarks and electrons?**

*Wieman and Derevianko, arXiv:1904.00281*

*Safronova, Budker, DeMille, Kimball, Derevianko, & Clark, RMP 90, 25008 (2018)*

# Nuclear-spin independent effects

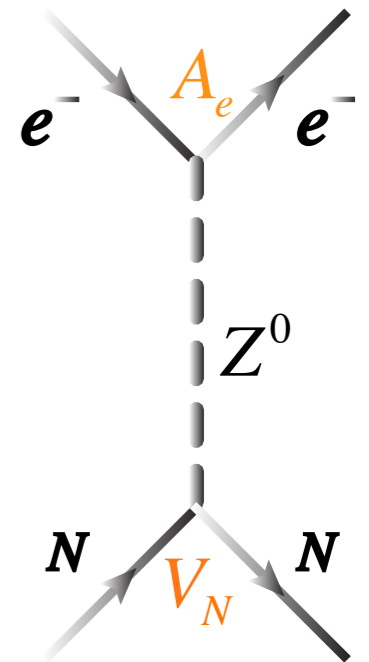
**Electron axial-vector  $\times$  nucleon vector current**

Averaging over quarks - effective Hamiltonian in the electronic sector

$$H_W = Q_W \times \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{8}} \gamma_5 \rho_n(r)$$

weak charge

neutron distribution



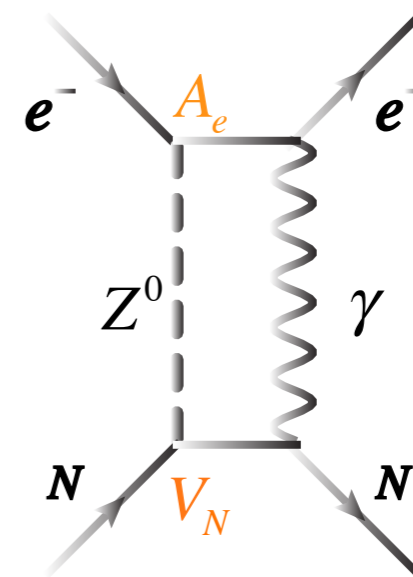
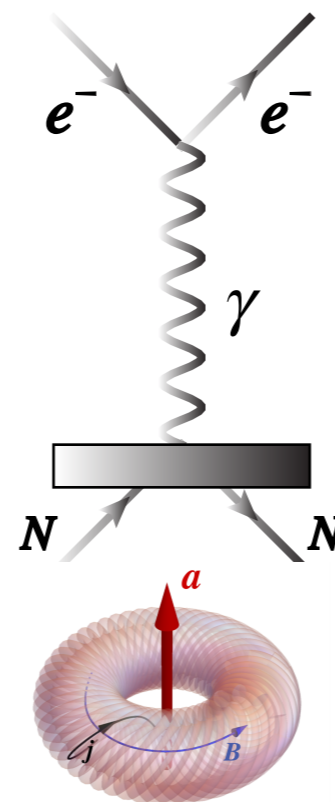
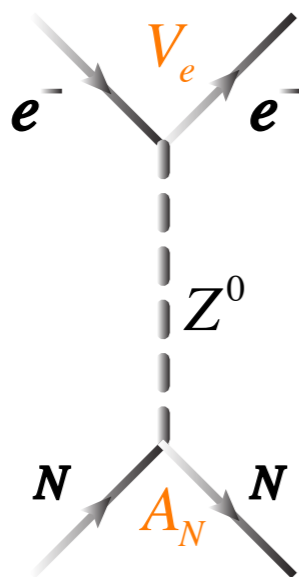
$$Q_W^{\text{tree}} = -N + Z(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) \approx -N$$

# Nuclear spin-dependent effects

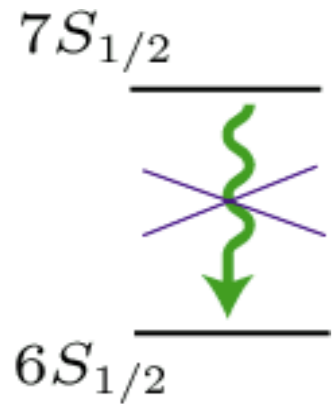
For unpaired nucleon & open-shell atom

$$H_{\text{NSD}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} (\eta_{\text{axial}} + \eta_{\text{anapole}} + \eta_{\text{hyperfine}}) \alpha \cdot \mathbf{I} \rho_n(r)$$

Nuclear spin



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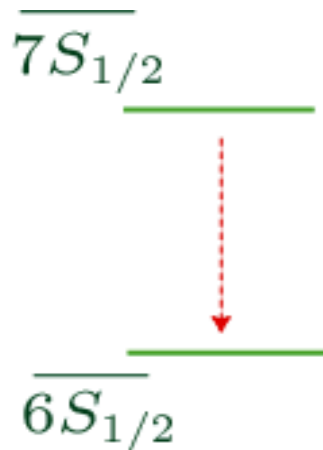


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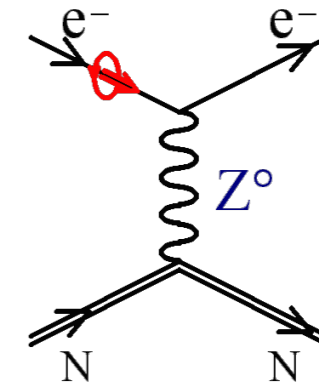
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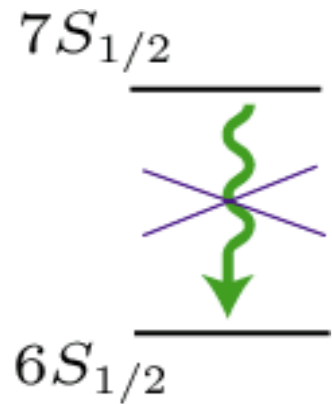
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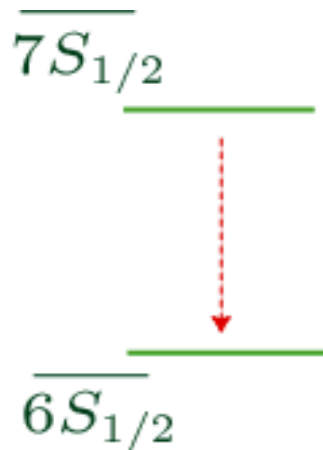


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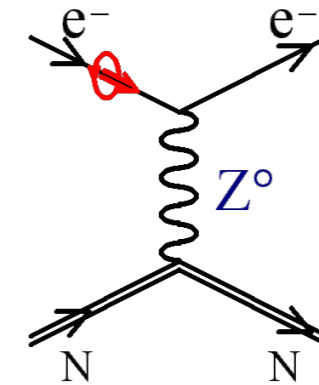
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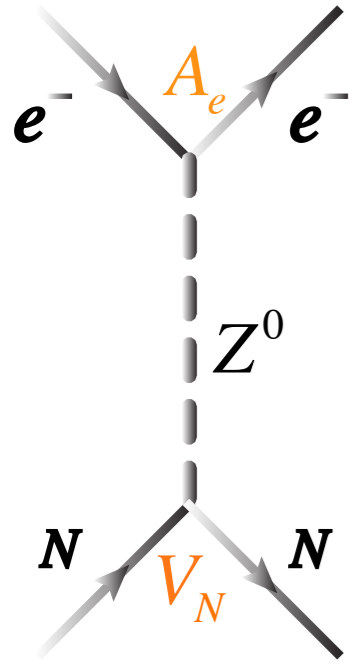


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Tiny effect  $E_{\text{PV}} \sim 10^{-11}$  atomic units

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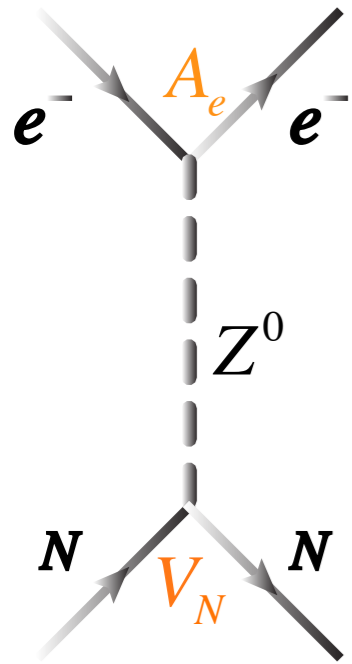


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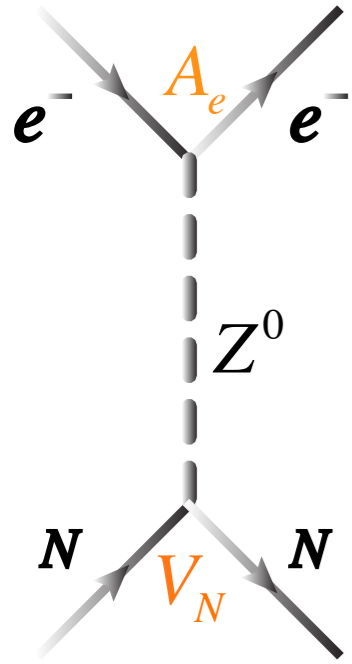
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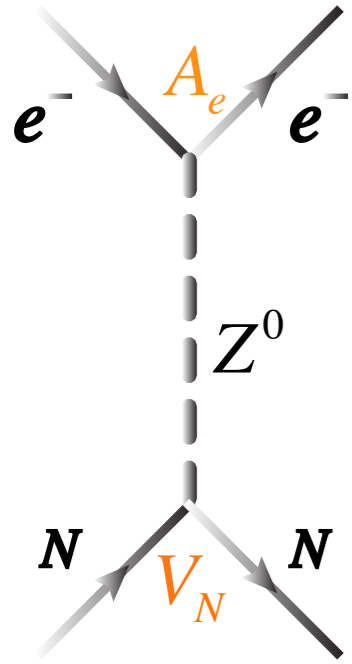
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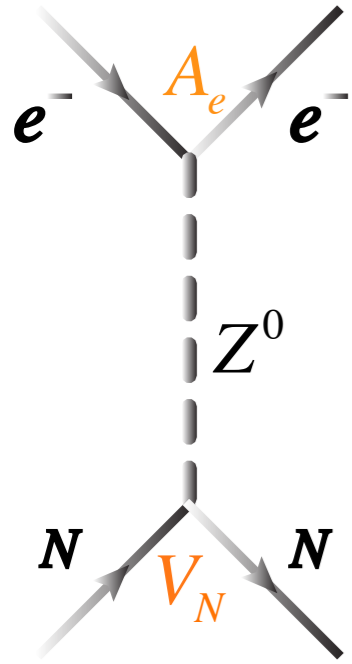
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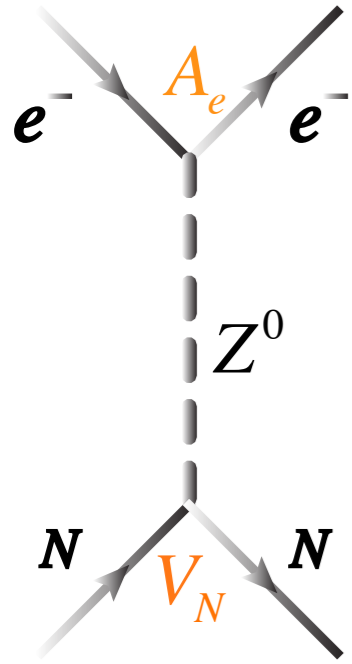
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Two sources of uncertainties in  $Q_W$ : experimental ( $E_{PV}$ ) and theoretical ( $k_{PV}$ )

# Weak charge of $^{133}\text{Cs}$ (as of 1999)

1997: measurement expt error 0.34% while theory (Notre Dame/Novosibirsk) error 1%

1999: Bennett & Wieman : reanalysis of the PV measurement+ reduction of theory error

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Atomic Experiment} \\ \text{Atomic Structure Theory} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} E_{\text{PV}} \\ E_{\text{PV}} / Q_W \end{array} \Rightarrow Q_W^{\text{inferred}} = -72.06(28)_{\text{expt}} (34)_{\text{theor}}$$

Standard Model  $Q_W^{\text{SM}} = -73.09(3)$

$$Q_W^{\text{inferred}} \neq Q_W^{\text{SM}}$$

2.5 $\sigma$  deviation (??? new physics, other corrections ???)

## New physics scenarios:

extra Z-bosons, scalar leptoquarks, four-fermion contact interactions, etc

**Experiment:** Wood *et al.* (1997); Bennett and Wieman (1999) (Boulder group)

**Theory:** Dzuba, Sushkov, Flambaum (1989); Blundell, Johnson, and Sapirstein (1990).

**SM calculations:** Marciano and Rosner PRL (1990); Groom *et al* Eur. Phys. J (2000)

# Weak charge of $^{133}\text{Cs}$ (as of 2005)

$$\sigma = 0.53\% \quad (\sigma_{\text{expt}} = 0.35\%, \sigma_{\text{theor}} = 0.4\%)$$

1999 Based on decade-old calculations by Dzuba <i>et al.</i> and Blundell <i>et al.</i>	$2.5\sigma$	Bennett & Wieman 1999
Breit interaction	$-1.2\sigma$	Derevianko (2000)
QED: Vacuum polarization (+ $0.8\sigma$ ) Vertex/self-energy ( $-1.3\sigma$ )	$-0.5\sigma$	Johnson <i>et al.</i> (2002); Milstein & Sushkov (2002); Kuchiev & Flambaum (2002); Sapirstein <i>et al.</i> (2003); Shabaev <i>et al.</i> (2005)
Neutron skin	$-0.4\sigma$	Derevianko (2002)
Updated correlated value and vec. trans. polarizability	$+0.7\sigma$	Dzuba, Flambaum & Ginges (2002)
PV e-e, renormalization $q \rightarrow 0$ , virtual exc. of the giant nuc. res.	$-0.08\sigma$	Sushkov & Flambaum (1978) Milstein, Sushkov & Terekhov (2002)
<b>Total deviation</b>	<b><math>1.0\sigma</math></b>	

# Next step (2000-2010)

$$\sigma_Q = \sqrt{(\sigma_{\text{expt}})^2 + (\sigma_{\text{theor}})^2}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{expt}} = 0.35\% < \sigma_{\text{theor}} = 0.5\%$$

Theoretical uncertainty is limited by  
the accuracy of solving  
the basic correlation atomic-structure problem

# Requirements to atomic-structure calculations

- Weak interaction occurs in the nucleus

$$\frac{v}{c} \sim \alpha Z \approx 0.5 \quad \text{for Cs}$$

*Ab initio* relativistic calculations based on **Dirac equation**

- Calculations should have **uncertainty better than 0.35%**

Hartree-Fock calculations are off by 50% for important atomic properties

**Many-body perturbation theory**

Treat interaction beyond the Hartree-Fock as a perturbation



# Our CCSDvT method

- ⇒ *Ab initio* relativistic many-body method
- ⇒ Based on coupled-cluster all-order scheme (additional inclusion of triple excitations + non-linear terms+...) CCSDvT
- ⇒ 1,000-fold increase in computational complexity over previous calculations (100 Mb → 100 Gb)
- ⇒ Code quality control: two persons + symbolic tools
- ⇒ Exact for 3e lithium: 0.01% accuracy demonstrated

# PV amplitude

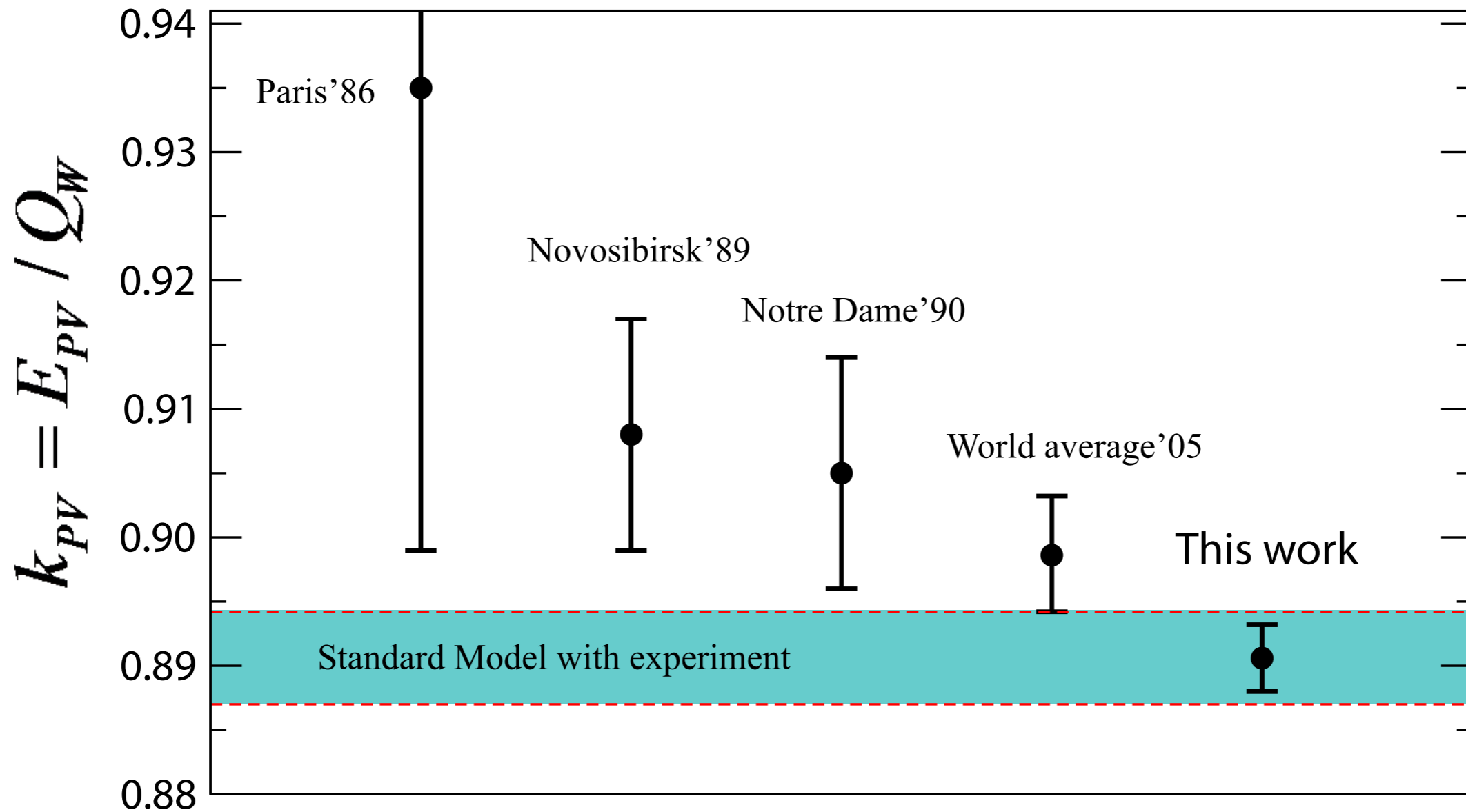


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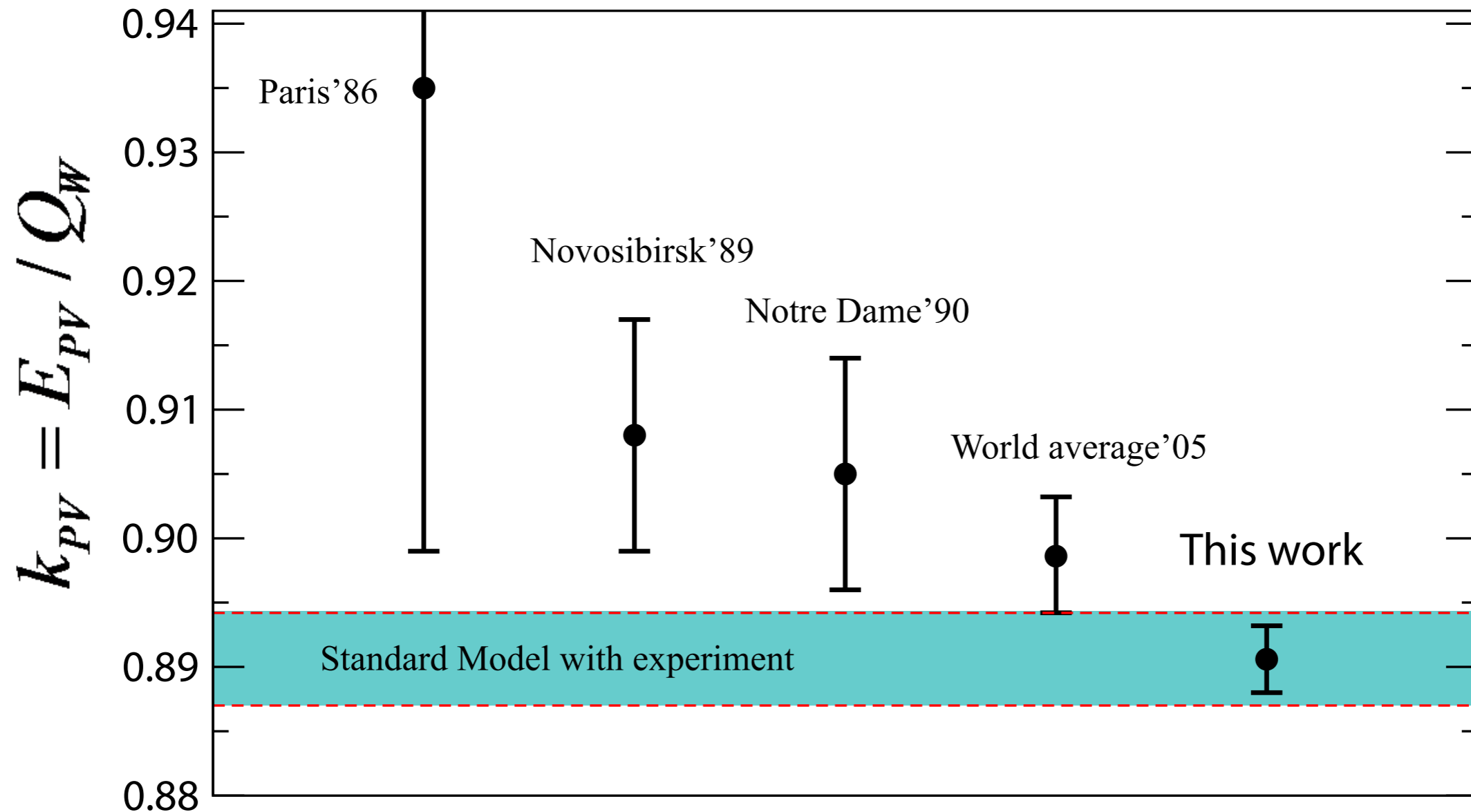
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**Accuracy is important**

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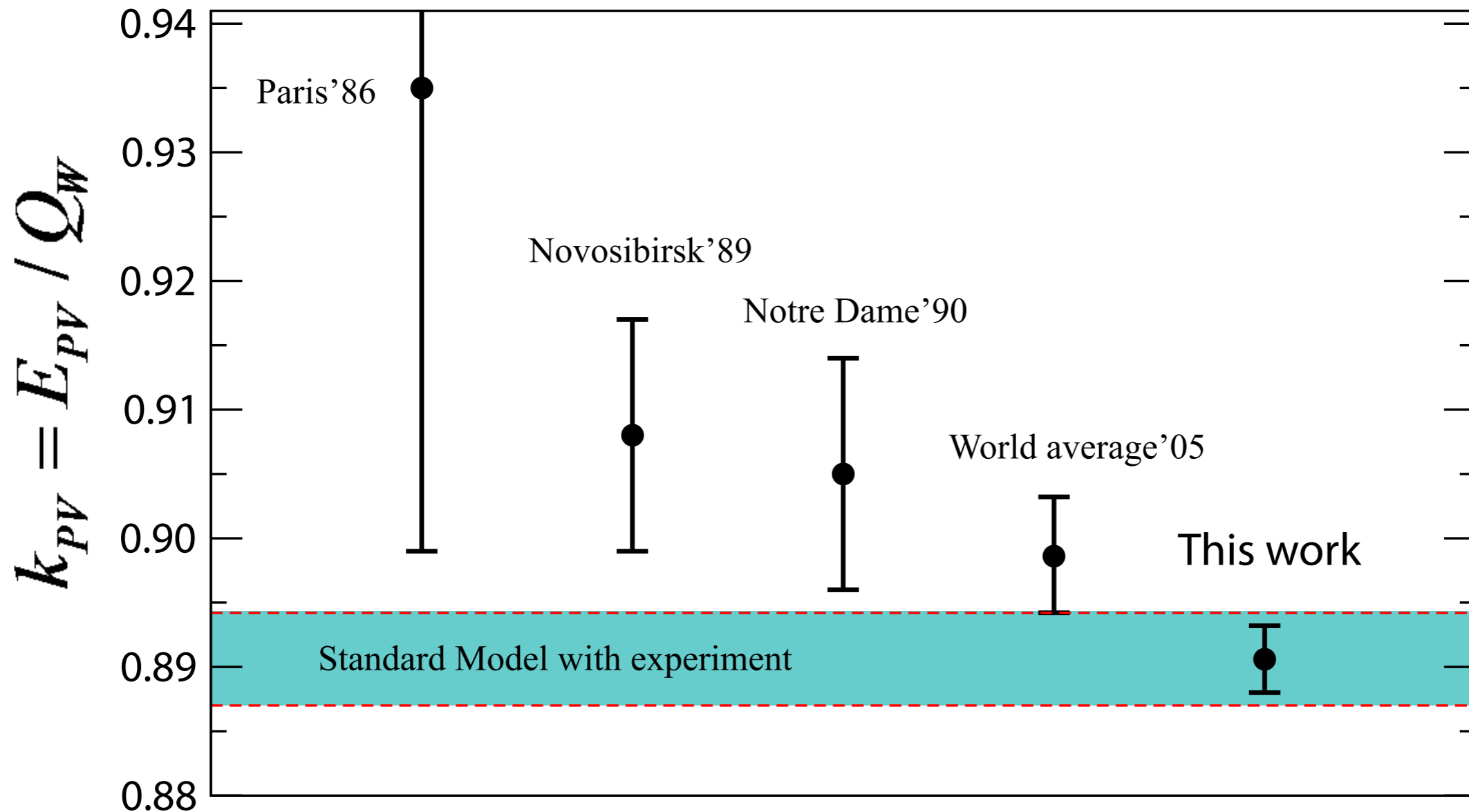


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Factor of two reduction in theoretical error + shift of the central value



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# 2020: Motivations to revisit APV in Cs

- (1) Tension for the  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  anapole moment with the nuclear theory
- (2) Tension for supporting quantities (vector transition polarizability)
- (3) More accurate experimental results for dipole matrix elements [Purdue]
- (4) New experimental efforts on measuring APV in Cs [Purdue]
- (5) Alternative to the sum-over state approach
- (6) New dark-sector motivations

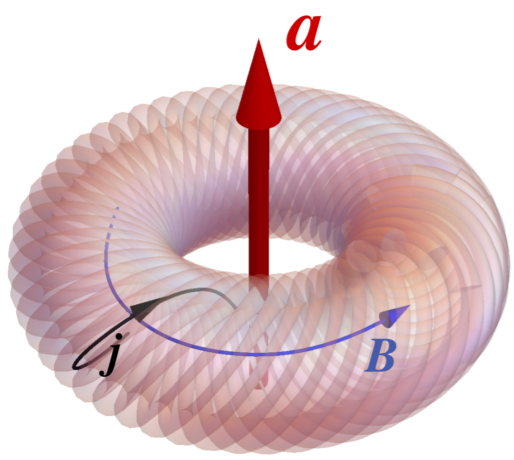


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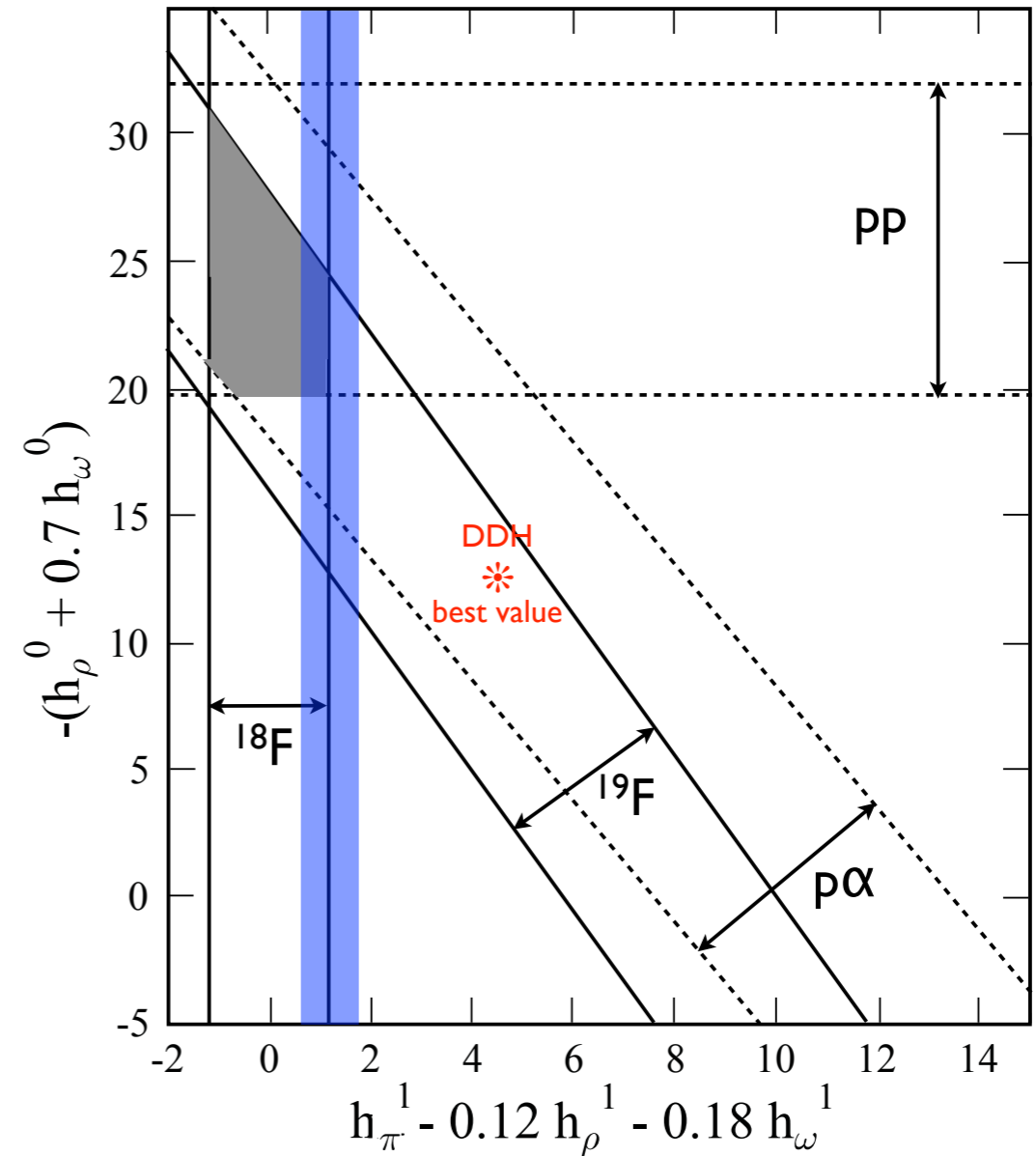
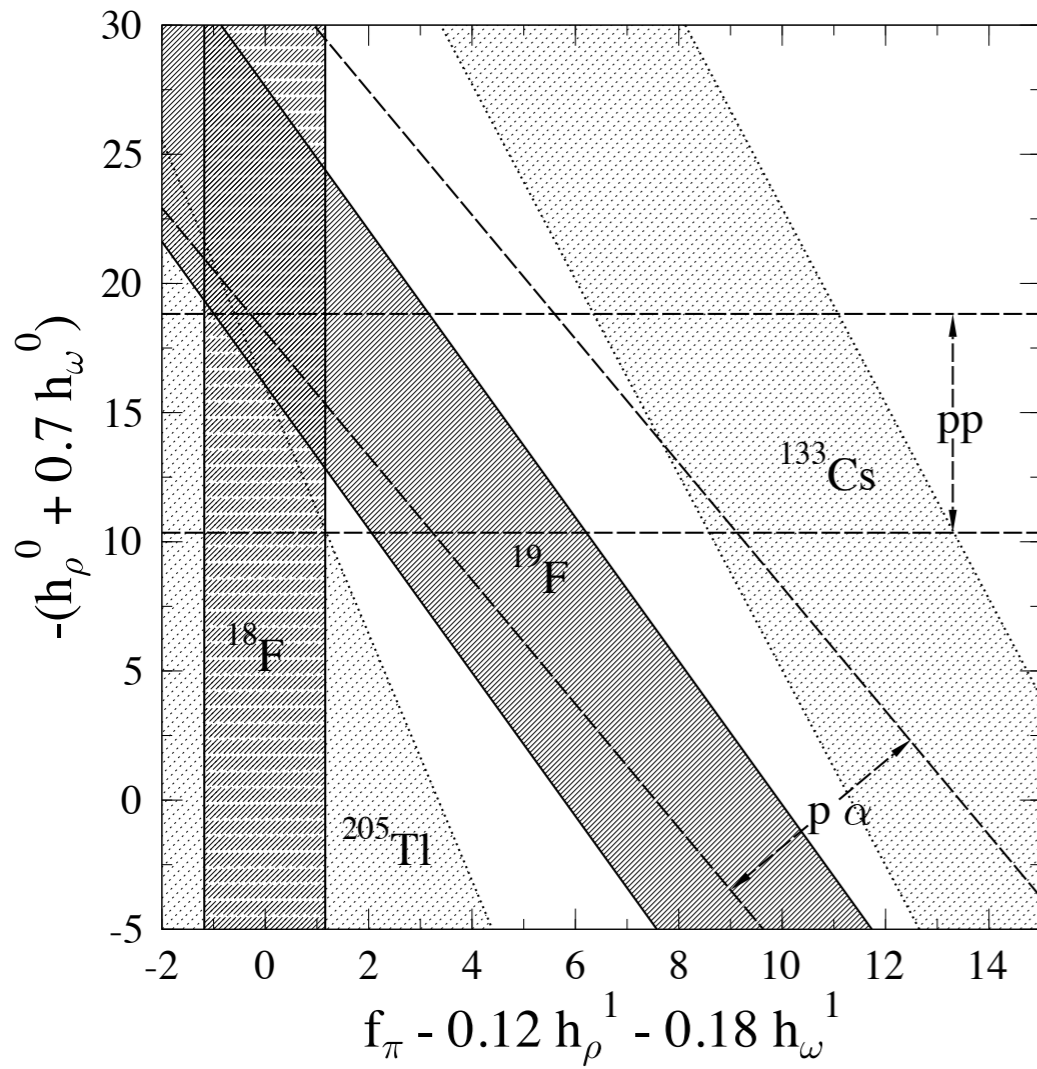


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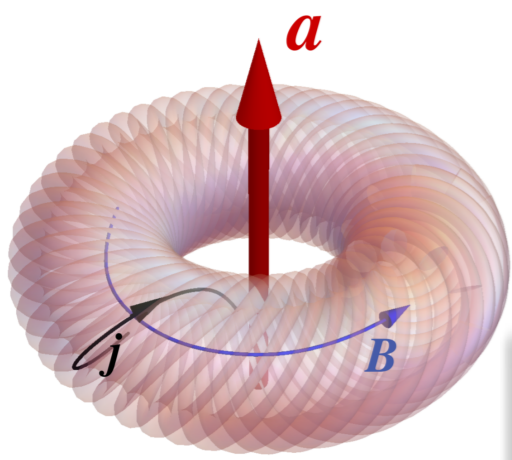


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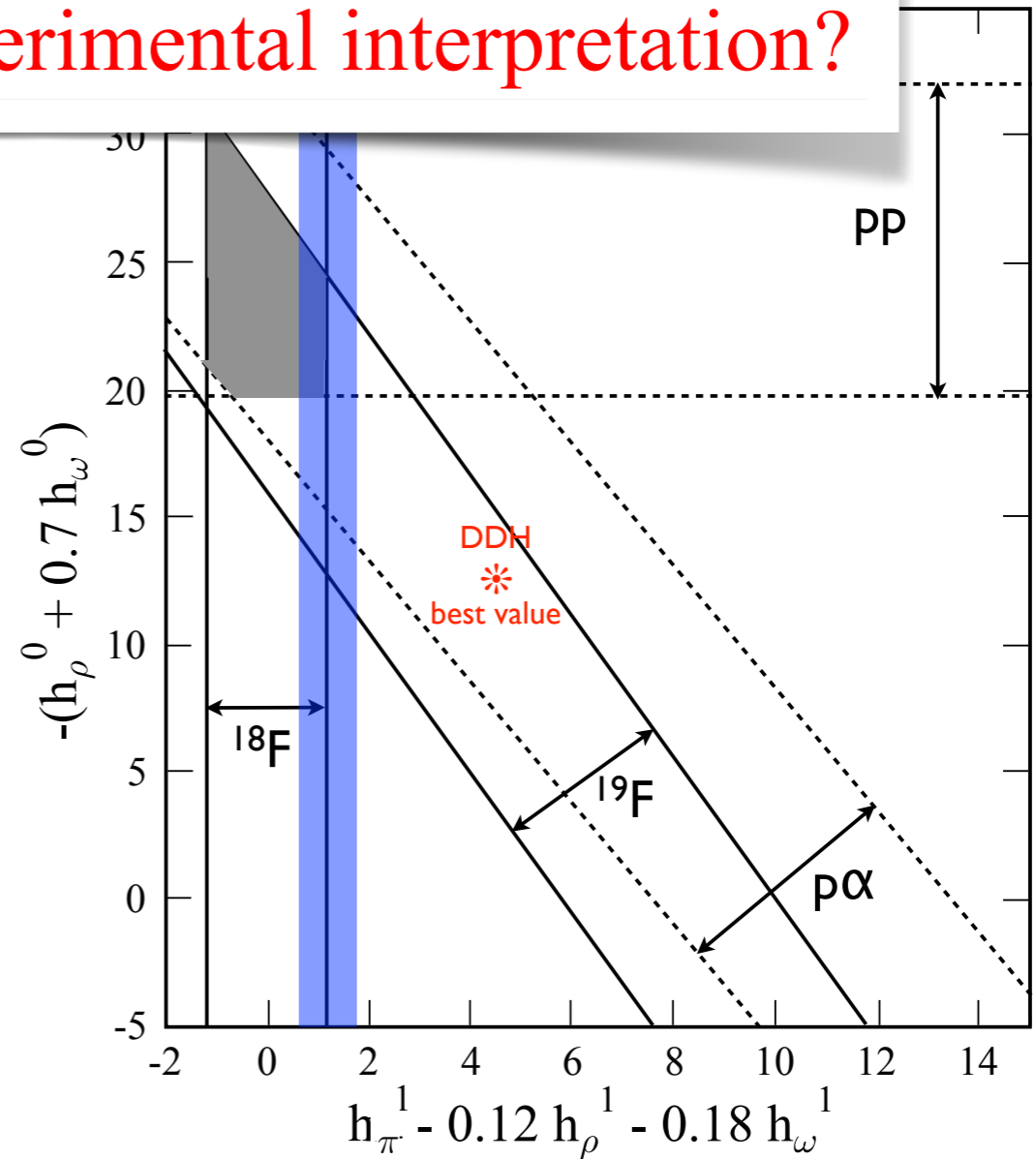
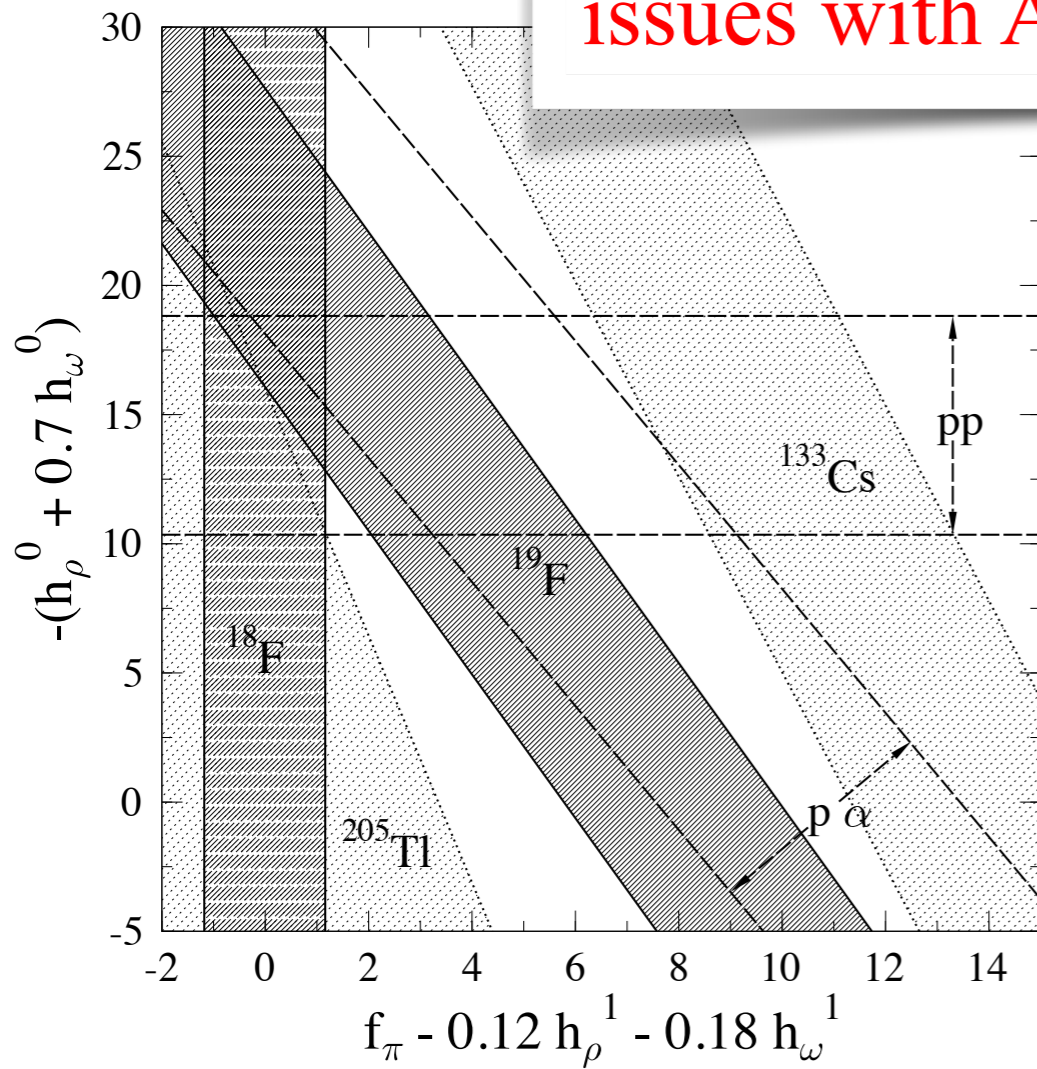
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Difficulties of nuclear structure OR  
issues with APV experimental interpretation?



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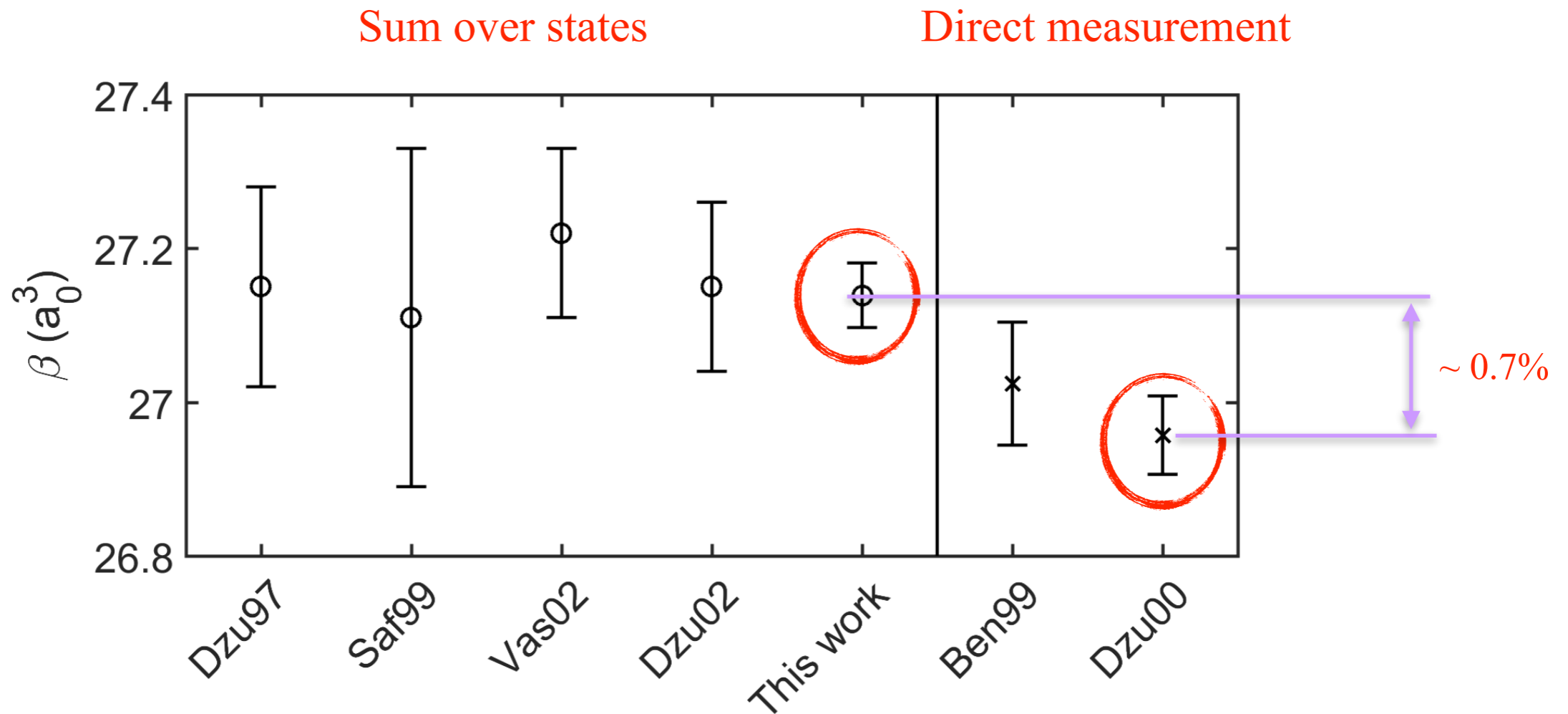
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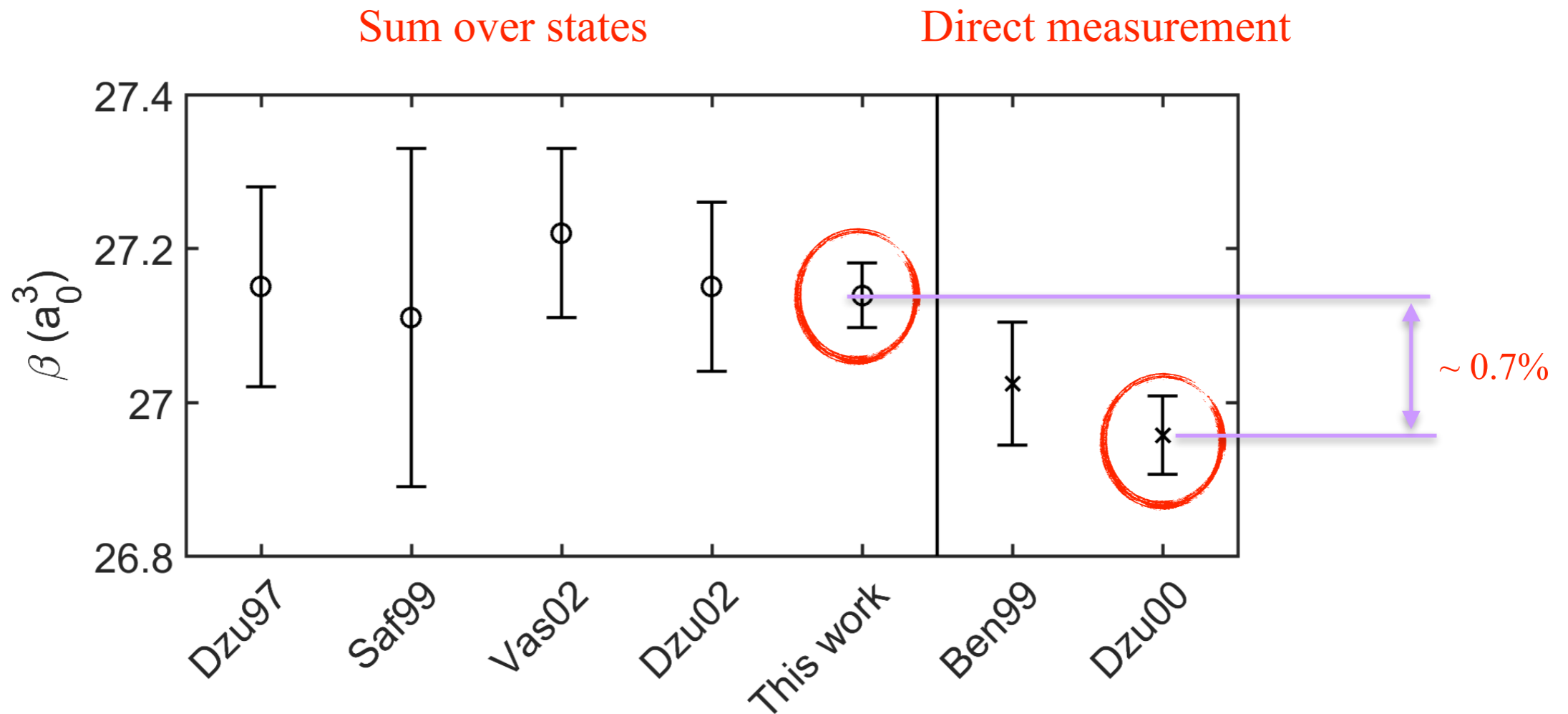
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Why do the two approaches differ?

# Hyperfine-induced corrections to transition polarizability

Static E-field + laser driving field  $6S_{1/2} \rightarrow 7S_{1/2}$ ; experiment uses different  $F$ 's

$$T_{i,f} = \langle f | (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{E}_s) \mathcal{R} (\mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{E}_L) | i \rangle + \text{h.c.}$$

Re-coupling product of dipoles

$$T_{i,f} = \text{scalar} + \text{vector} + \text{tensor}$$

$$\propto \alpha \quad \propto \beta \quad \propto \gamma$$

Only due to hyperfine interaction

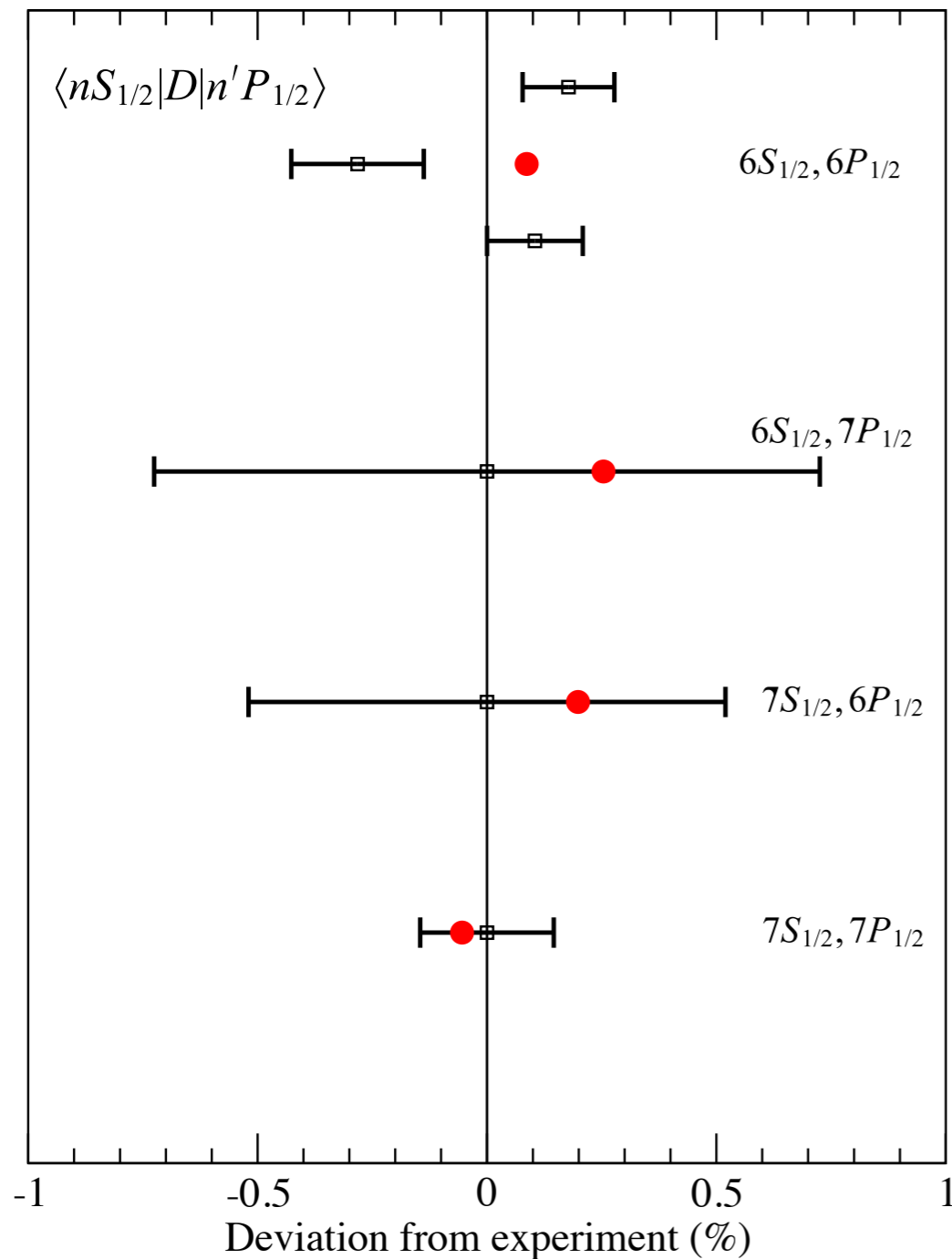
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The effect turns out to be too small to explain the difference in beta and the anapole puzzle

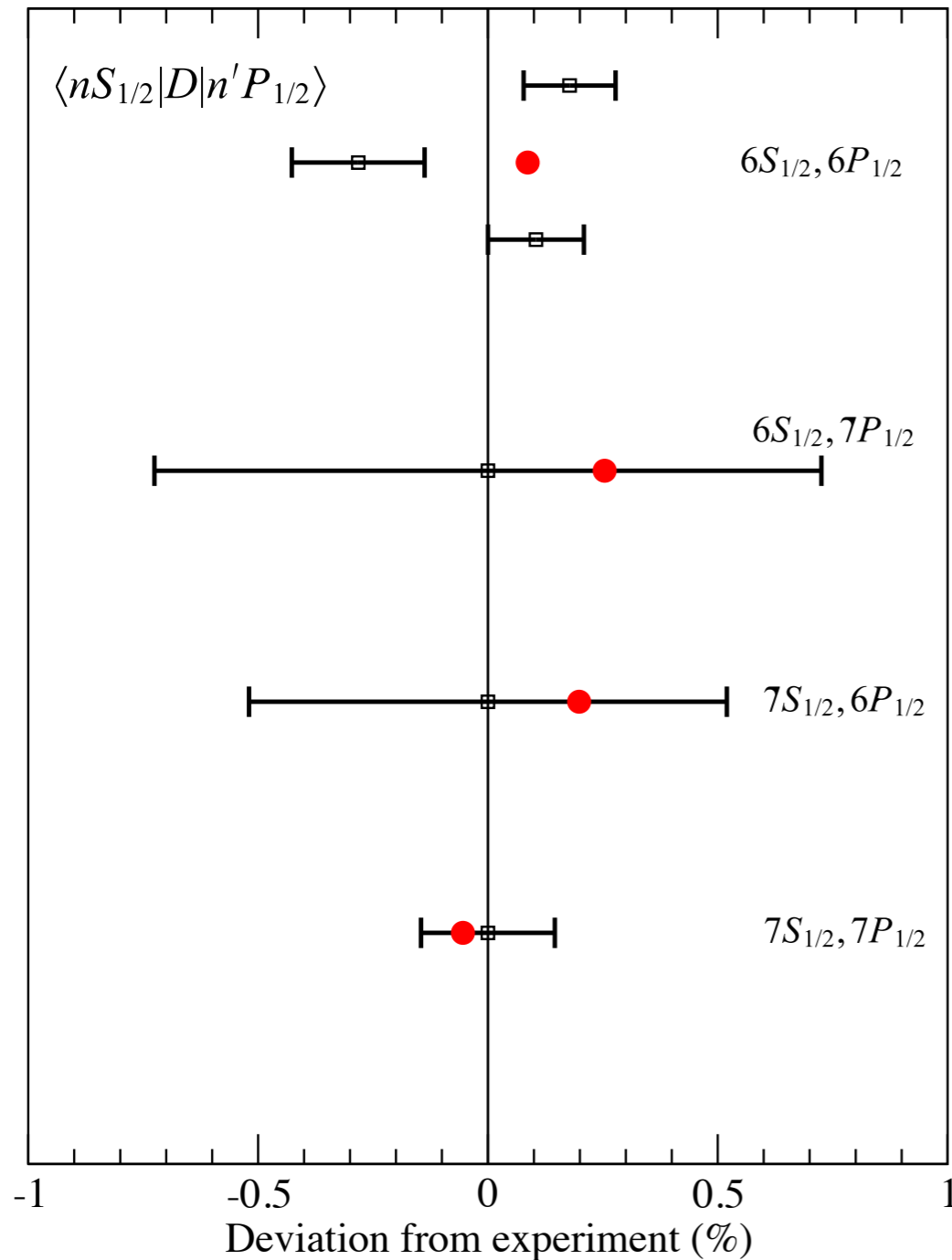
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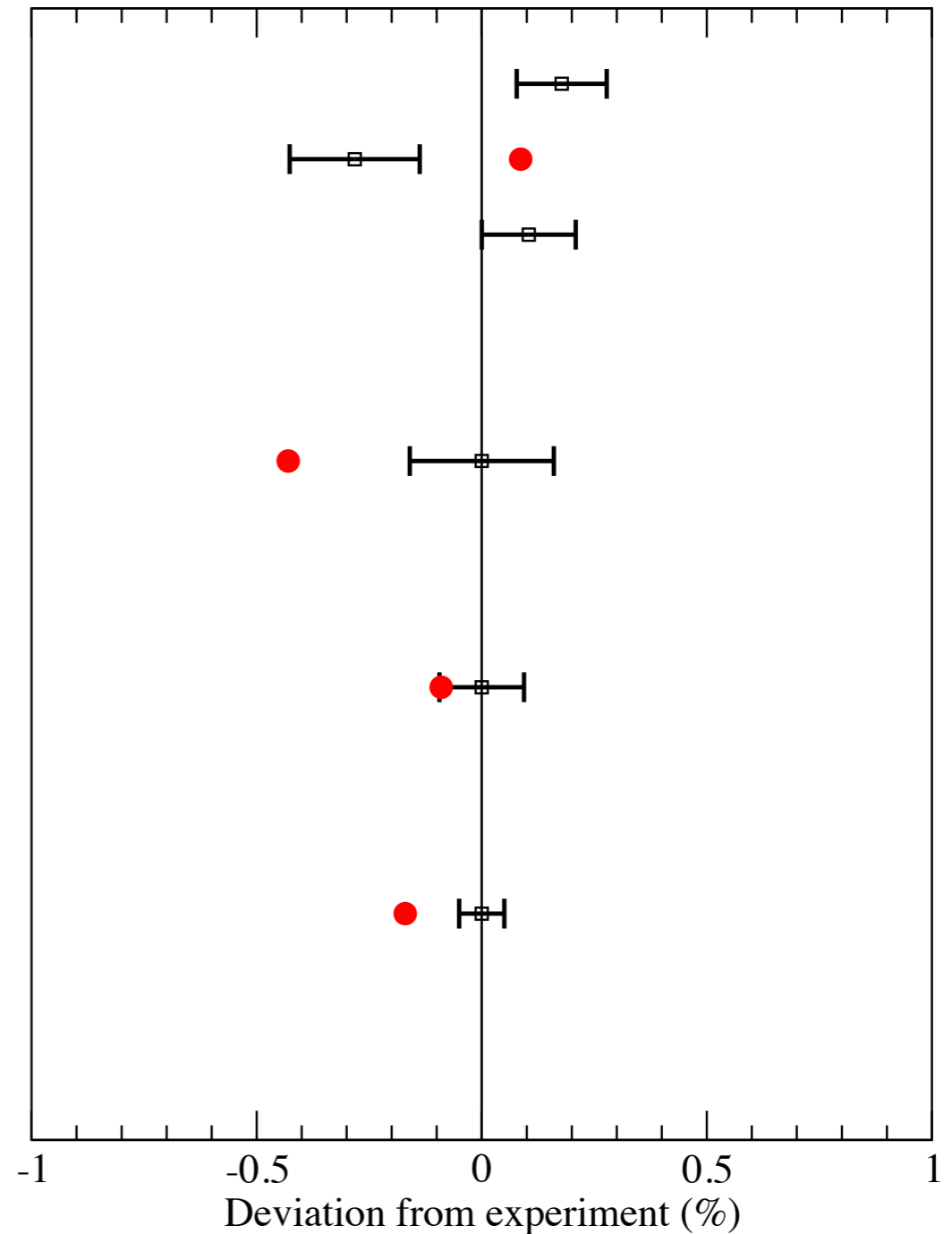
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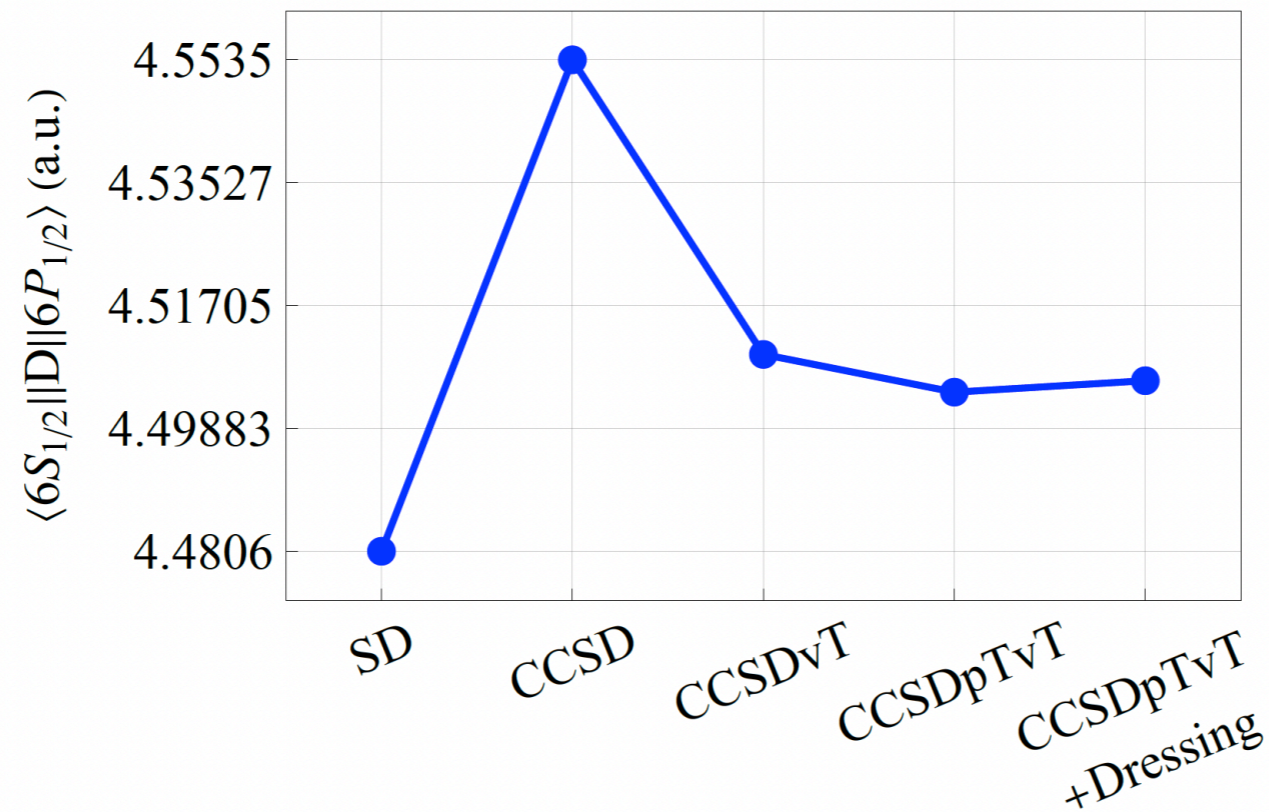
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# More complete calculations of dipoles

- New, more powerful, 160-core 768Gb computational server (Templeton)
- Much larger basis sets, better control of numerical accuracy
- Systematic study of Cooper-like minima
- 28 matrix elements tabulated and accuracy is estimated
- Tension with experiments for several matrix elements



*H. B. Tran Tan and A. Derevianko, Phys. Rev. A 107, 042809 (2023)*

# The victory lap

*Quirk, Jacobsen, Damitz, Tanner, and Elliott PRL 132, 233201 (2024)*

	$\langle 7s  r  7p_{1/2} \rangle (a_0^3)$	$\langle 7s  r  7p_{3/2} \rangle (a_0^3)$
This work	10.303 (3)	14.311 (3)
*Bennett <i>et al.</i> [14]	10.325 (5)	14.344 (7)
<b>Reno</b> Tan <i>et al.</i> [13]	10.292 (6)	14.297 (10)
Roberts <i>et al.</i> [11, 12]	10.297 (23)	14.303 (33)
Safronova <i>et al.</i> [31]	10.310 (40)	14.323 (61)
Dzuba <i>et al.</i> [32]	10.285 (31)	14.286 (43)

TABLE III. Comparison of matrix elements  $\langle 7s||r||7p_{1/2} \rangle$  and  $\langle 7s||r||7p_{3/2} \rangle$ . Experimental determinations are above the double line and theoretical are below. \*These matrix elements were derived from the measurements of Bennett *et al.* [14] and reported in Ref. [9].

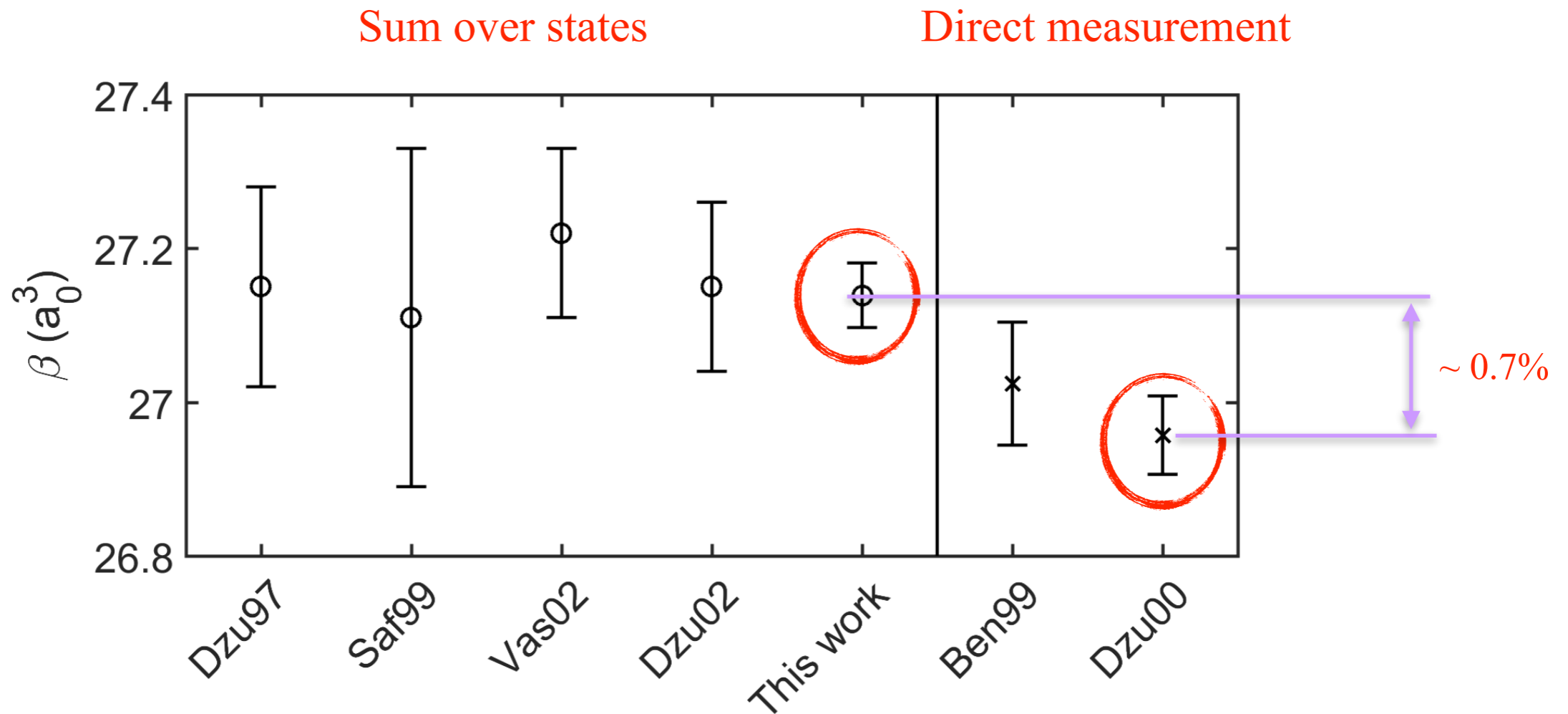
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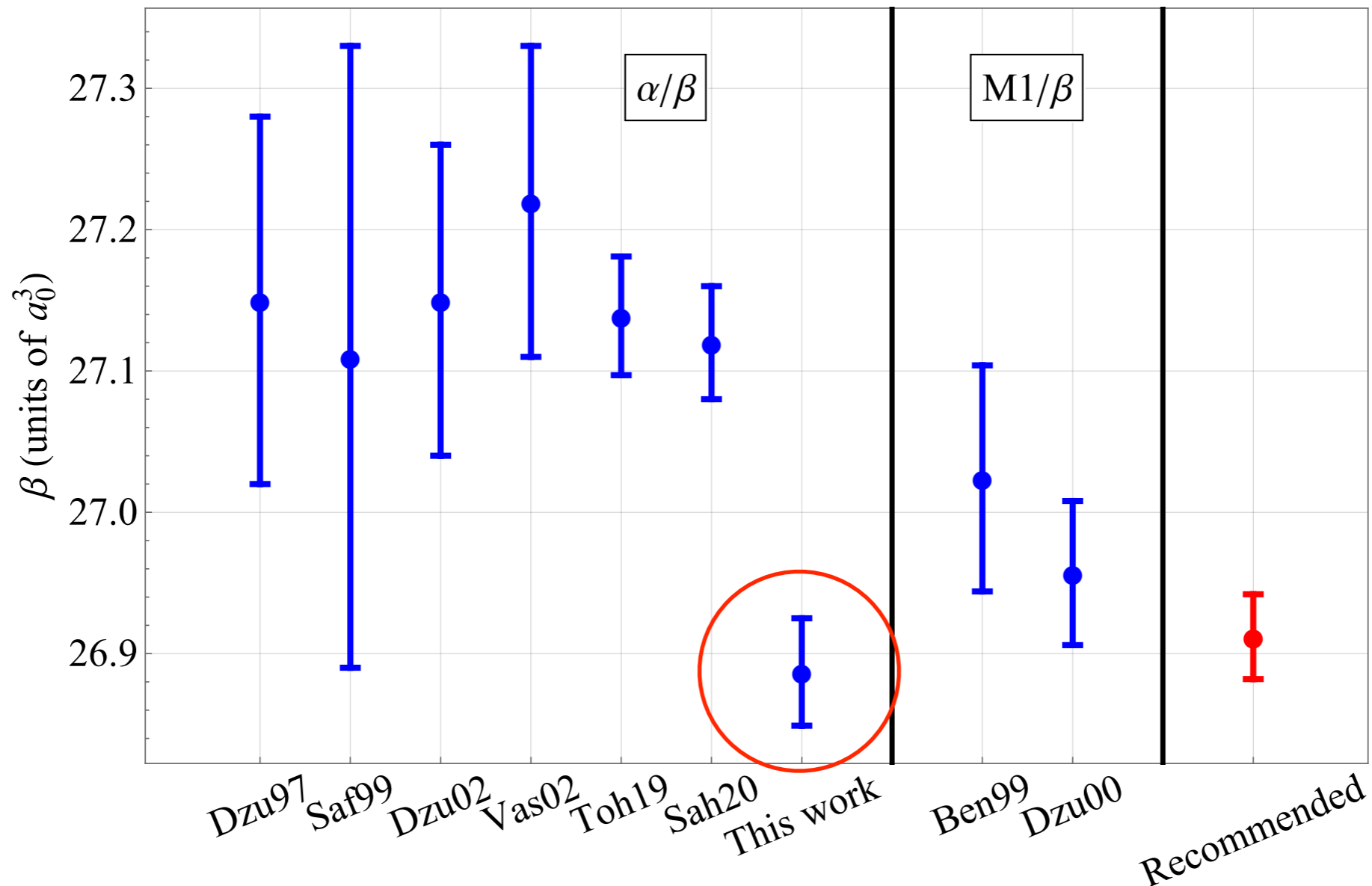
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# Reconciliation of $\beta$



The tension between the two methods is resolved.

Reason: difference b/w theory and expt for the  $\langle 6,7S_{1/2} | D | 6,7P_{3/2} \rangle$  matrix elements

One of them was resolved in the theory favor by the Purdue experiment

## (5) New computational idea

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Main ( $n = 6, 7, 8, 9$ )[98%] + Tail ( $n > 9$ )[2%]

Summation must be over the **complete** many-body basis:  $\sum_n |nP_{1/2}\rangle \langle nP_{1/2}| = 1$

Approximation	Main	Tail
<b>RPA</b>	<b>0.8705</b>	<b>0.0192</b>
<b>BO</b>	<b>0.8678</b>	<b>0.0242</b>

=> Main and Tail must be computed in the same approximation

# (5) How to reduce theory error further?

Table 1: Contributions to parity violating amplitude  $E_{\text{PNC}}$  for the  $6S_{1/2} \rightarrow 7S_{1/2}$  transition in  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  in units of  $i|e|a_{\text{B}} \left(-\frac{Q_{\text{W}}}{N}\right) \times 10^{-11}$ .

Coulomb interaction	
Main ( $n = 6 - 9$ )	0.8823(18)
Tail	0.0175(18)
Total correlated	0.8998(25)
Corrections	
Breit, Ref. (29)	-0.0054(5)
QED, Ref. (23)	-0.0024(3)
Neutron skin, Ref. (30)	-0.0017(5)
$e - e$ weak interaction, Ref. (11)	0.0003
Final	0.8906(26)

Error bar  
is comparable  
to Main

# (5) Parity-mixed CC approach



Use parity-mixed basis

$$(h_0 + V_{\text{DHF}} + h_w) \phi_i = \varepsilon_i \phi_i$$

All single-particle orbitals include weak interaction

Feed into the CCSDvT code (remove parity selection rules)

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All observables (dipoles, hyperfine constants, energies) will have the same accuracy as in the original CCSDvT code

Summation over intermediate states is gone!

$$E_{\text{PV}} = \langle 7S_{1/2}(\text{CCSDvT} - \text{PM}) | D | 6S_{1/2}(\text{CCSDvT} - \text{PM}) \rangle$$

Price: increased computational complexity

With additional work, the goal is to attain 0.1% theoretical accuracy

Details of the formalism + low-order calculations in  
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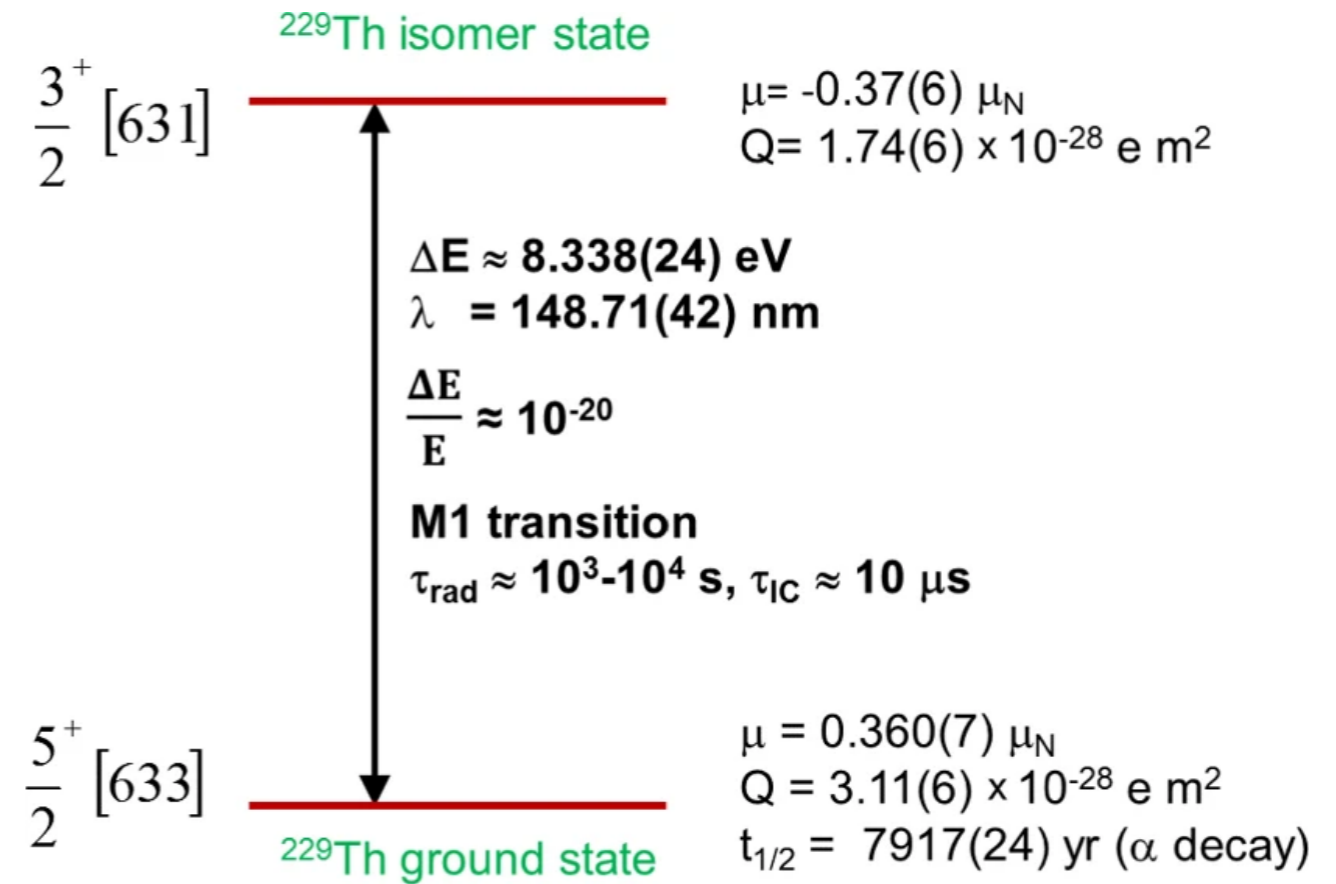
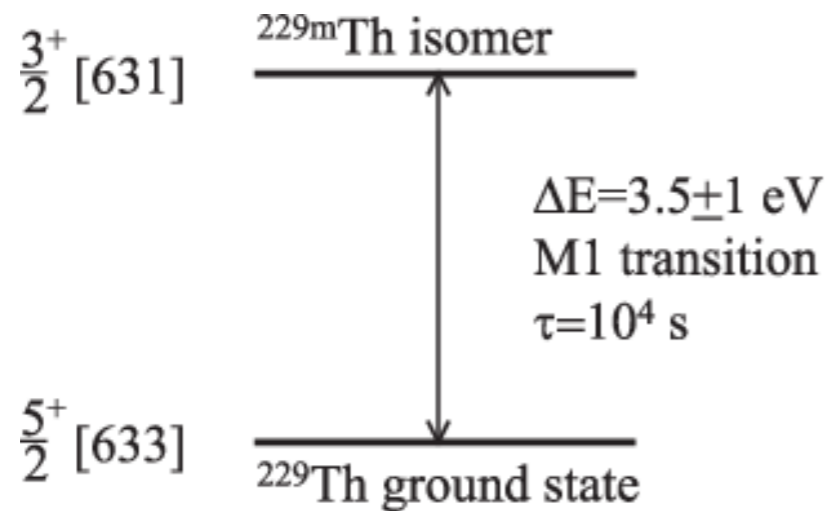
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- (1) Tension for the  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  anapole moment with the nuclear theory
- (2) Tension for supporting quantities (vector transition polarizability) - **RESOLVED**
- (3) More accurate dipole matrix elements
- (4) New experimental efforts on measuring APV in Cs [Purdue]
- (5) New computational idea: parity-mixed CC (0.1% should be attainable)
- (6) New dark-sector motivations

# Discussion

Tell me about nuclear clock (request at lunch)

# Th-229 a.k.a. nuclear freak



Tkalya et al 1996  
 Peik&Tamm 2003



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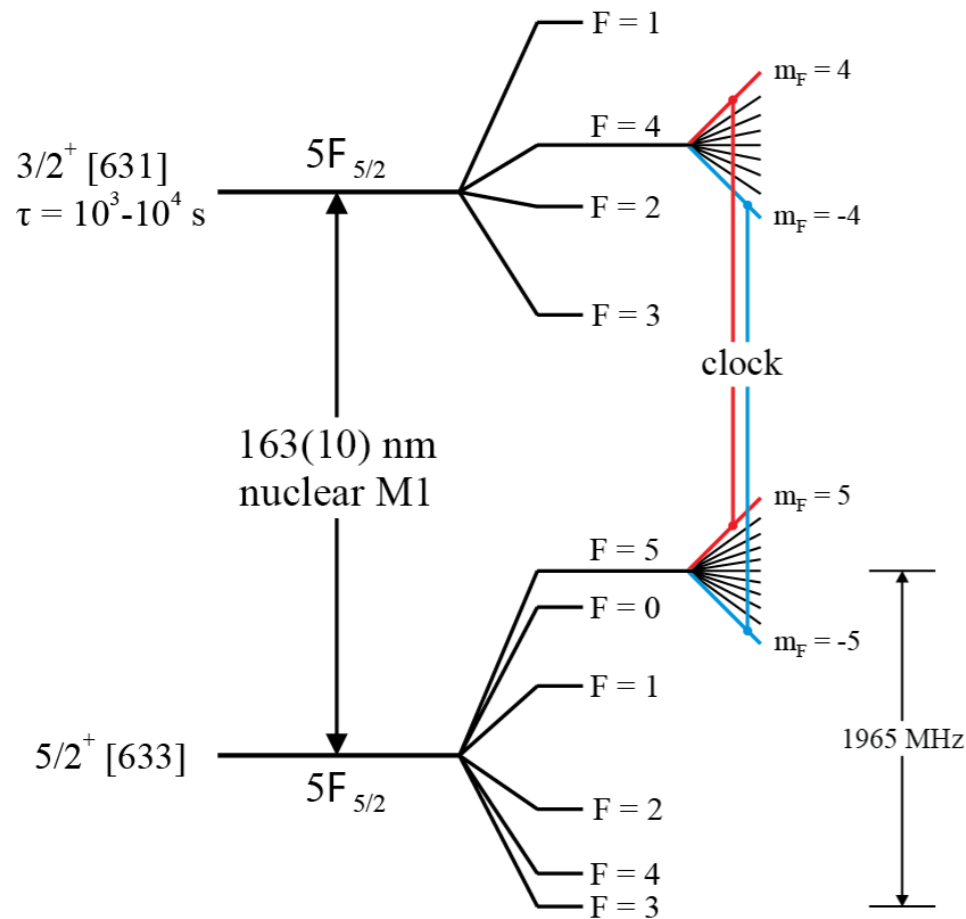


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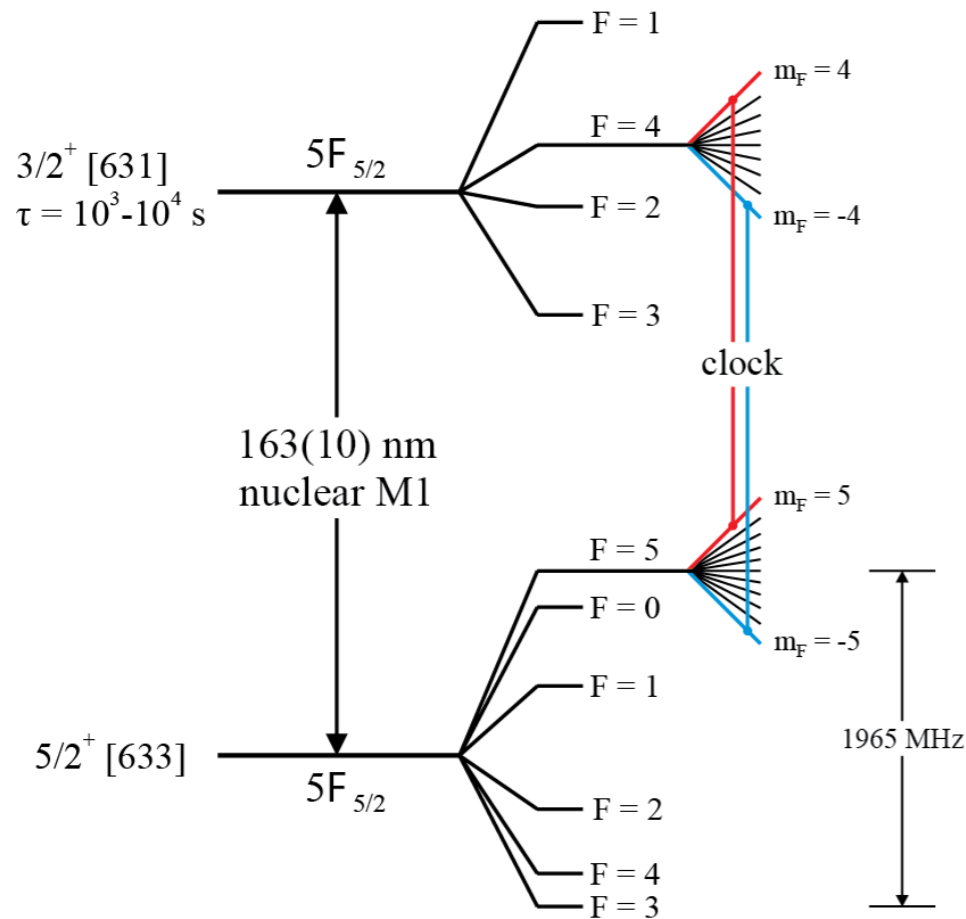
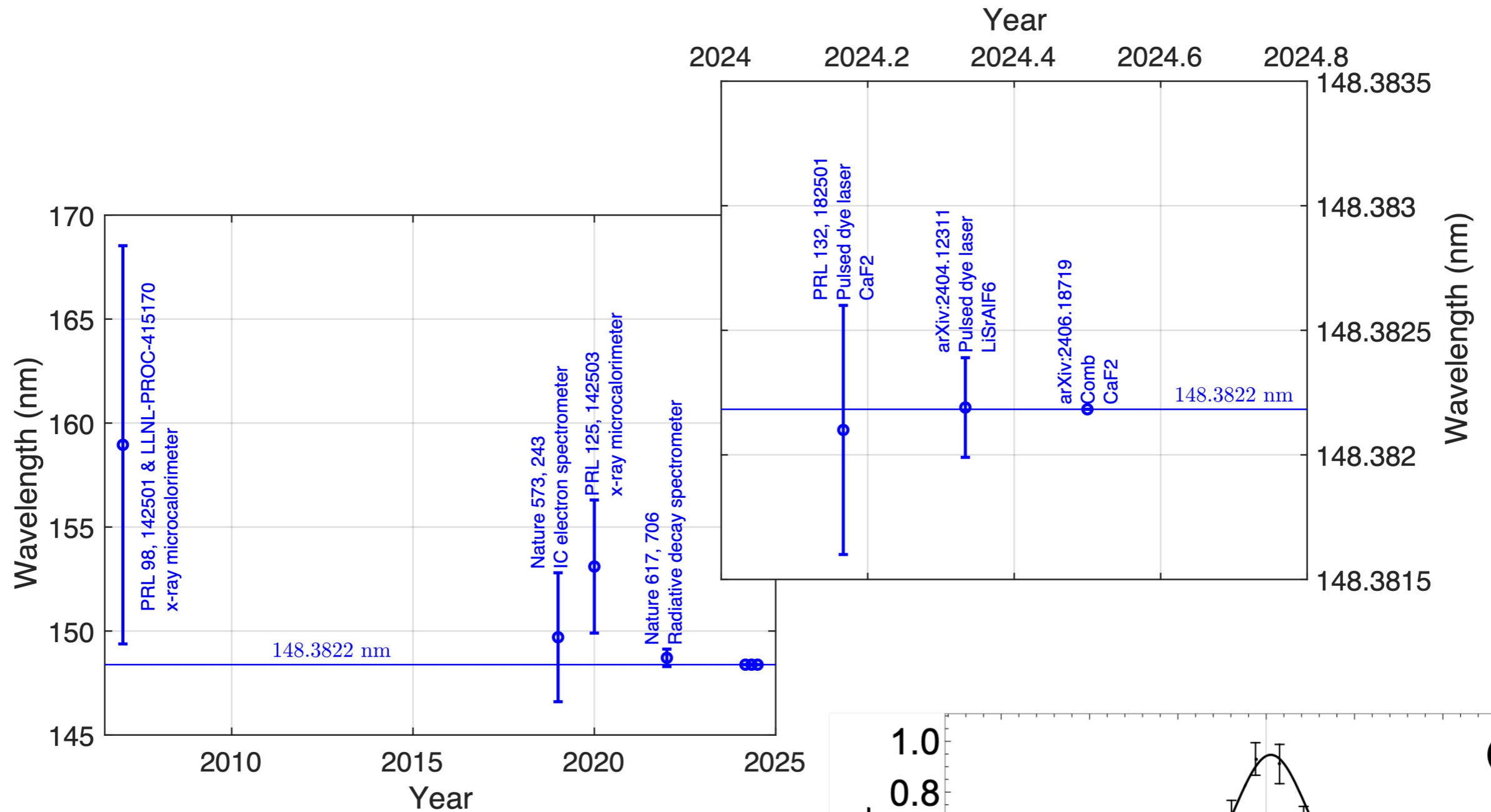


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Now transition energy is measured to 12 sig. figs  
Th-229 doped crystals

