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by Utagawa Hiroshige (1797-1858)



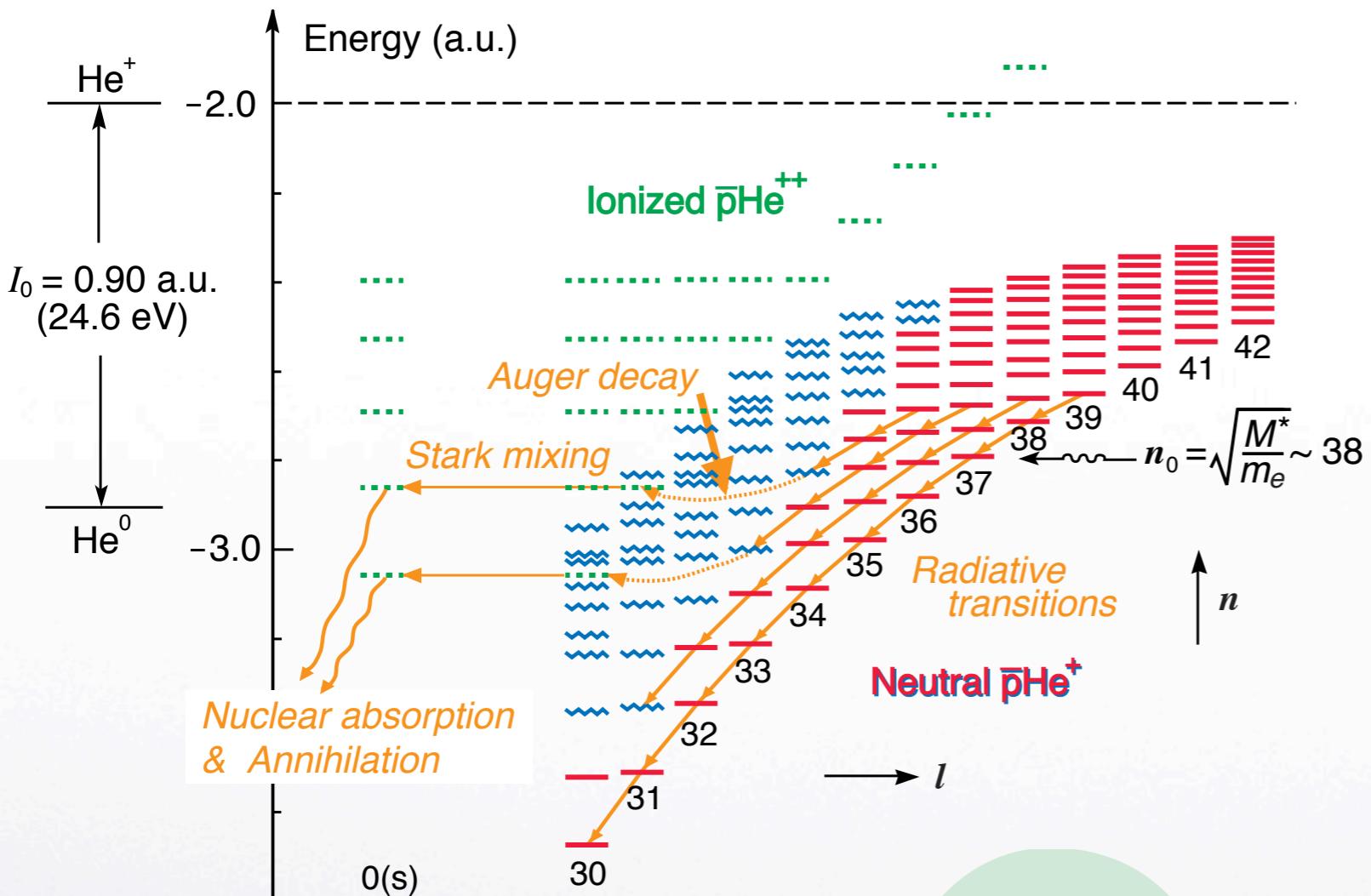
## Atomic Spectroscopy And Collisions Using Slow Antiprotons

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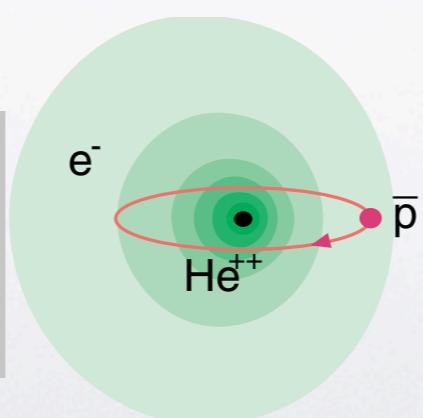
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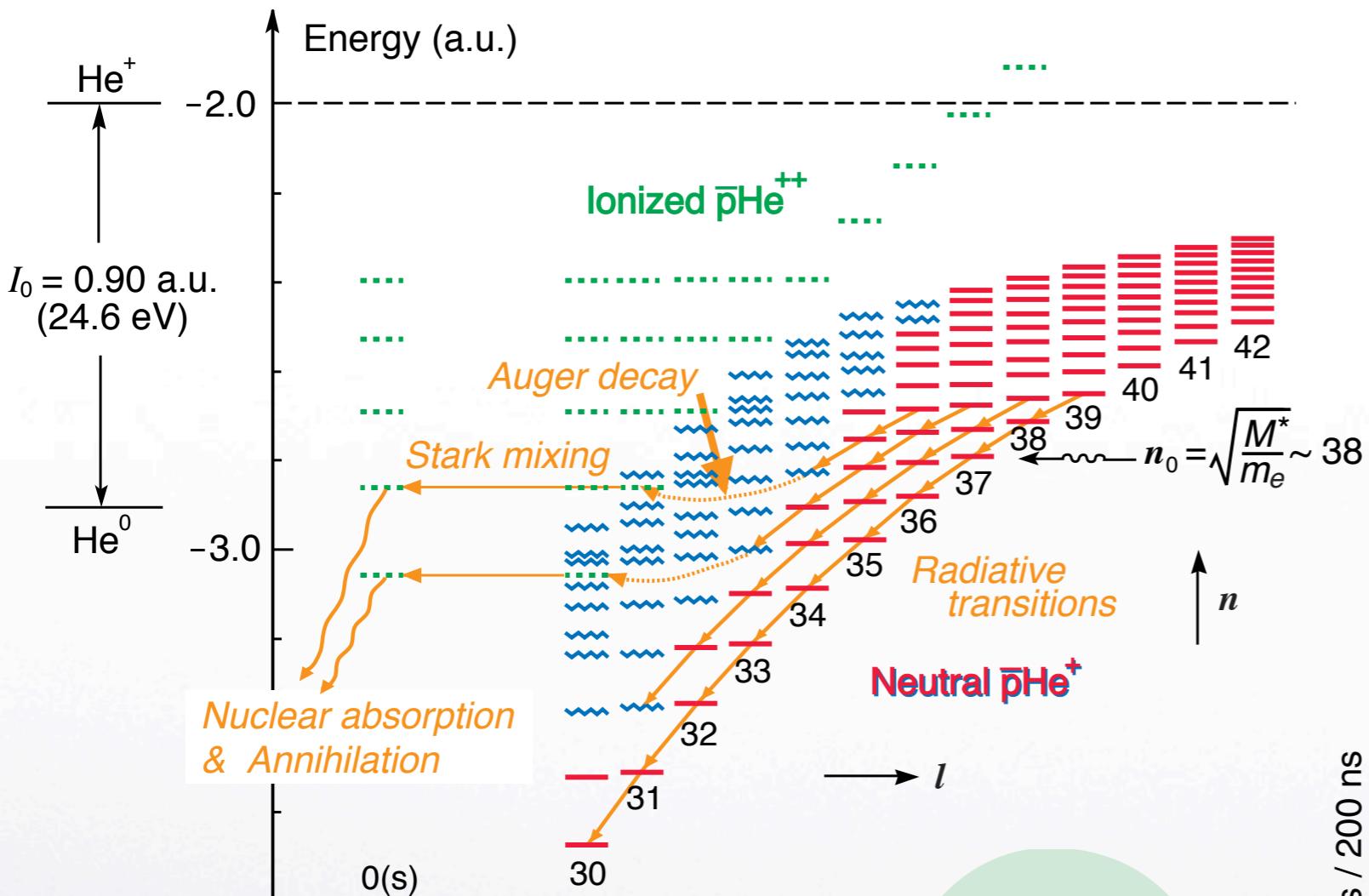
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 $\tau \sim \mu\text{s}$

short-lived states  
(Auger decay)  
 $\tau \leq 10 \text{ ns}$

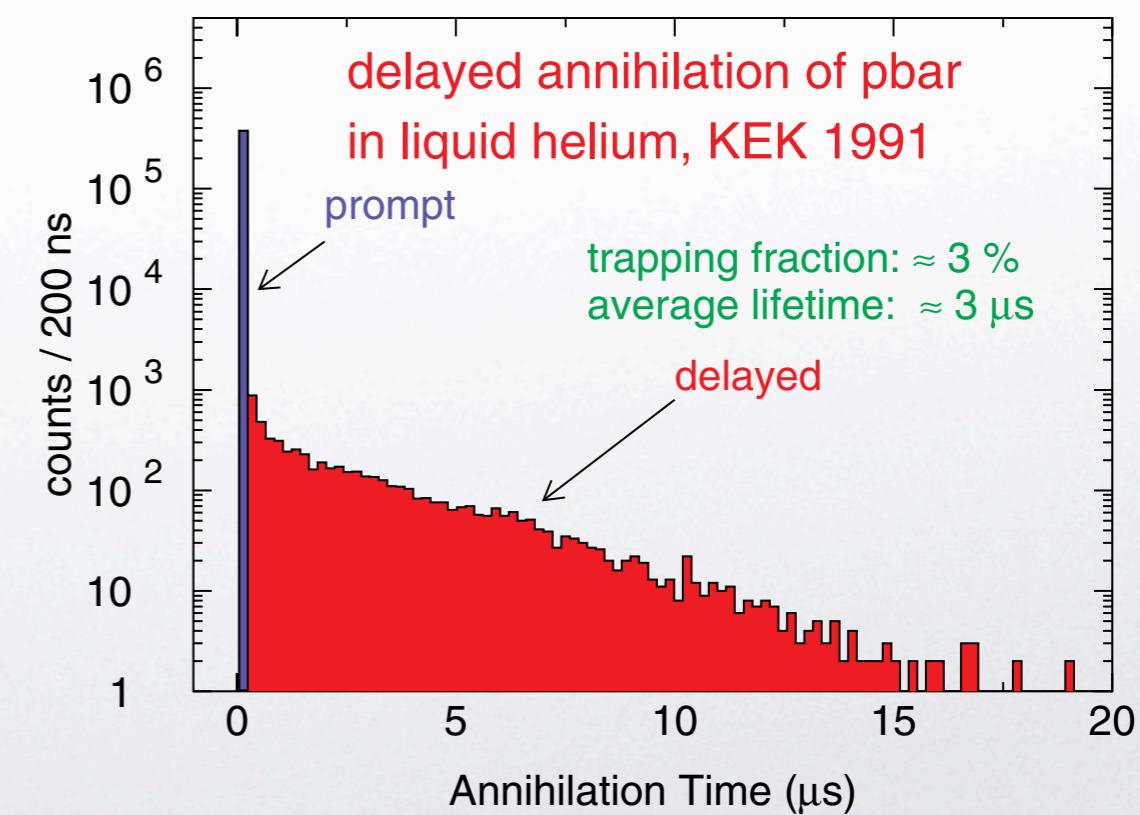
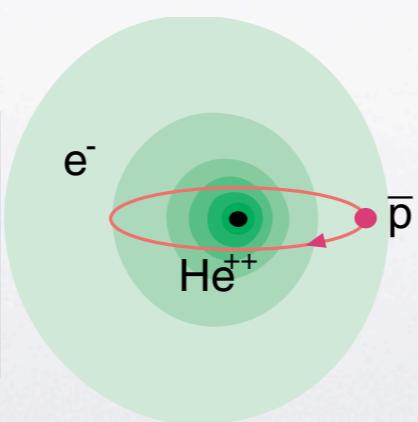
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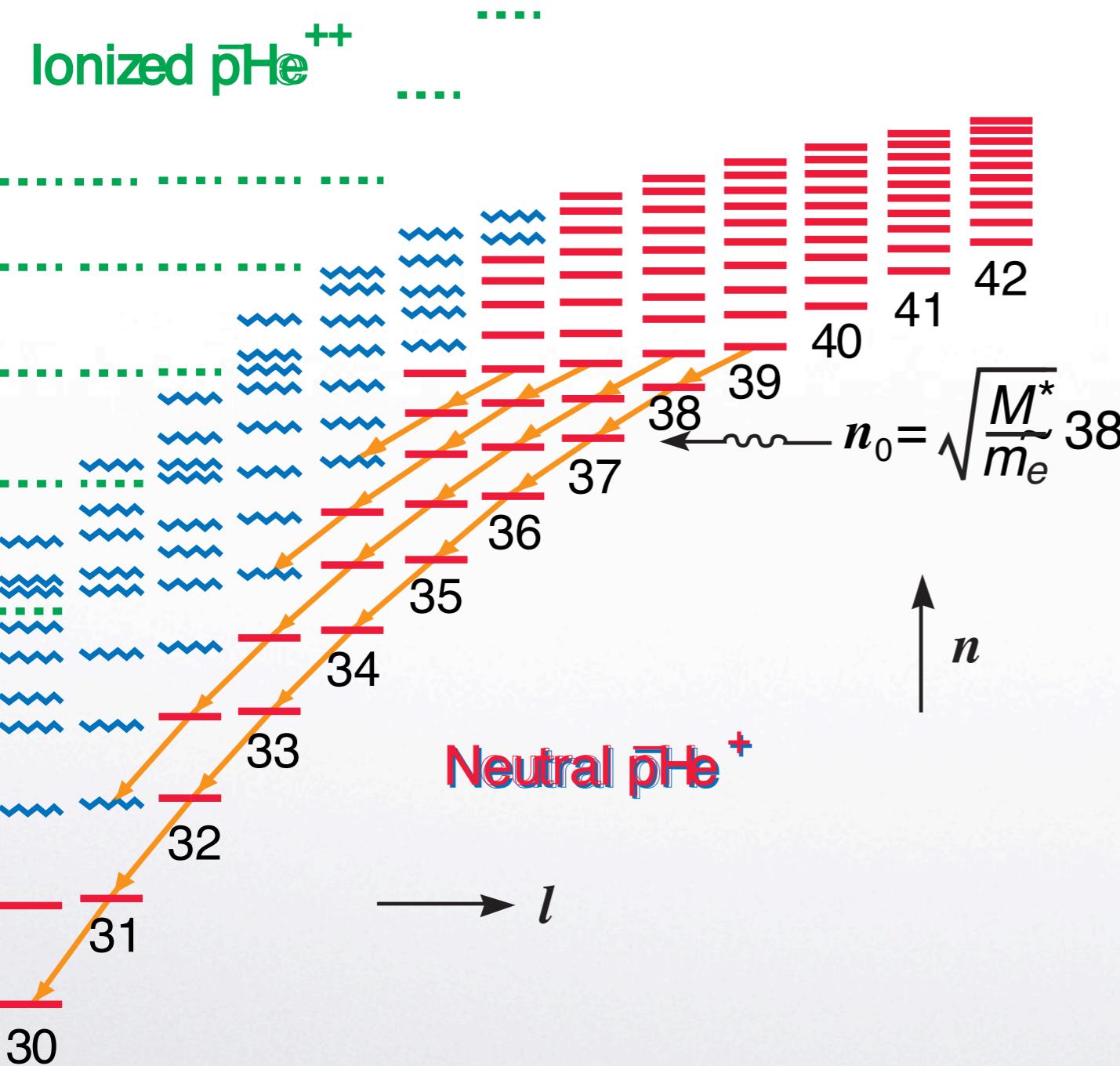
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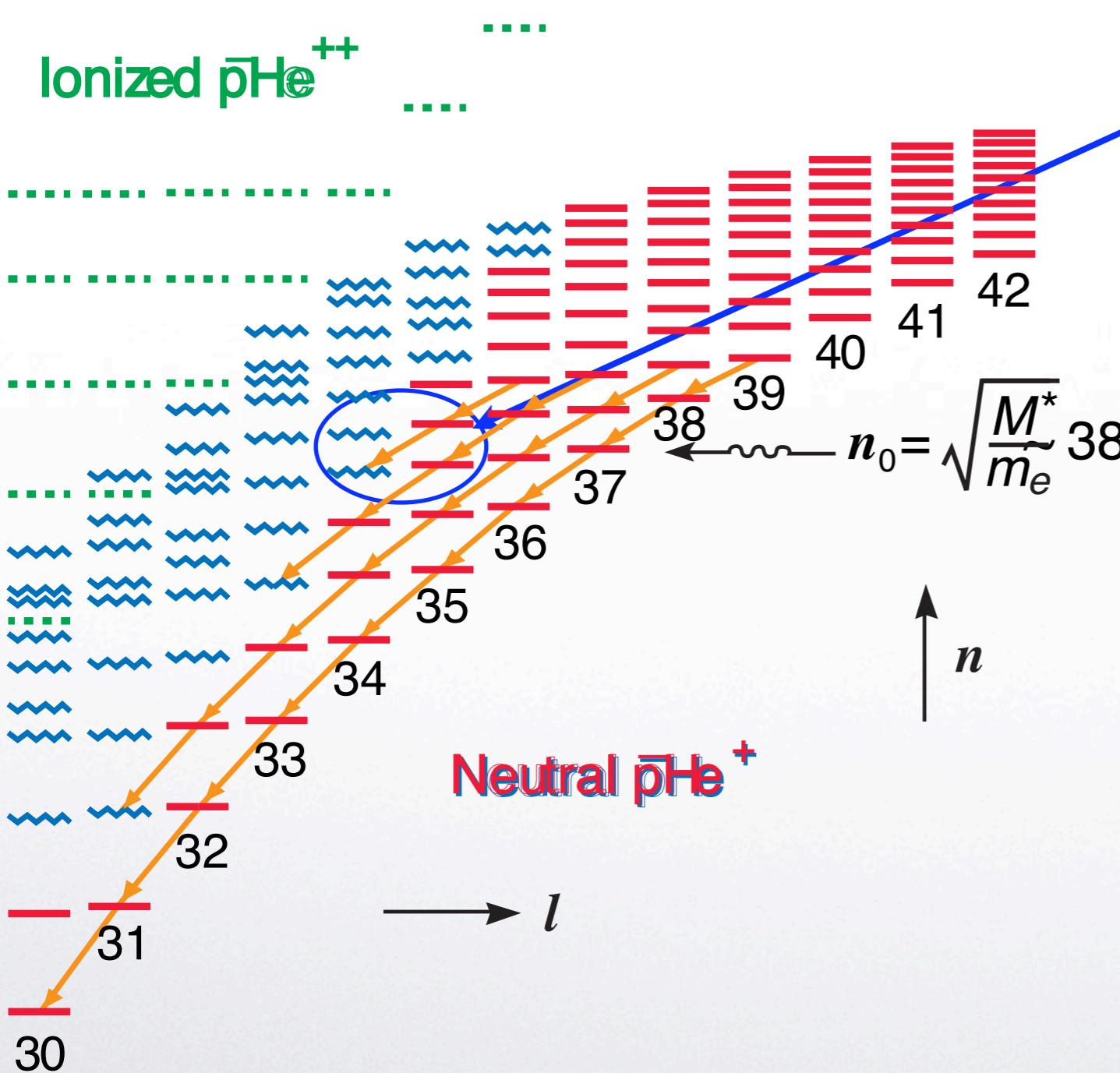
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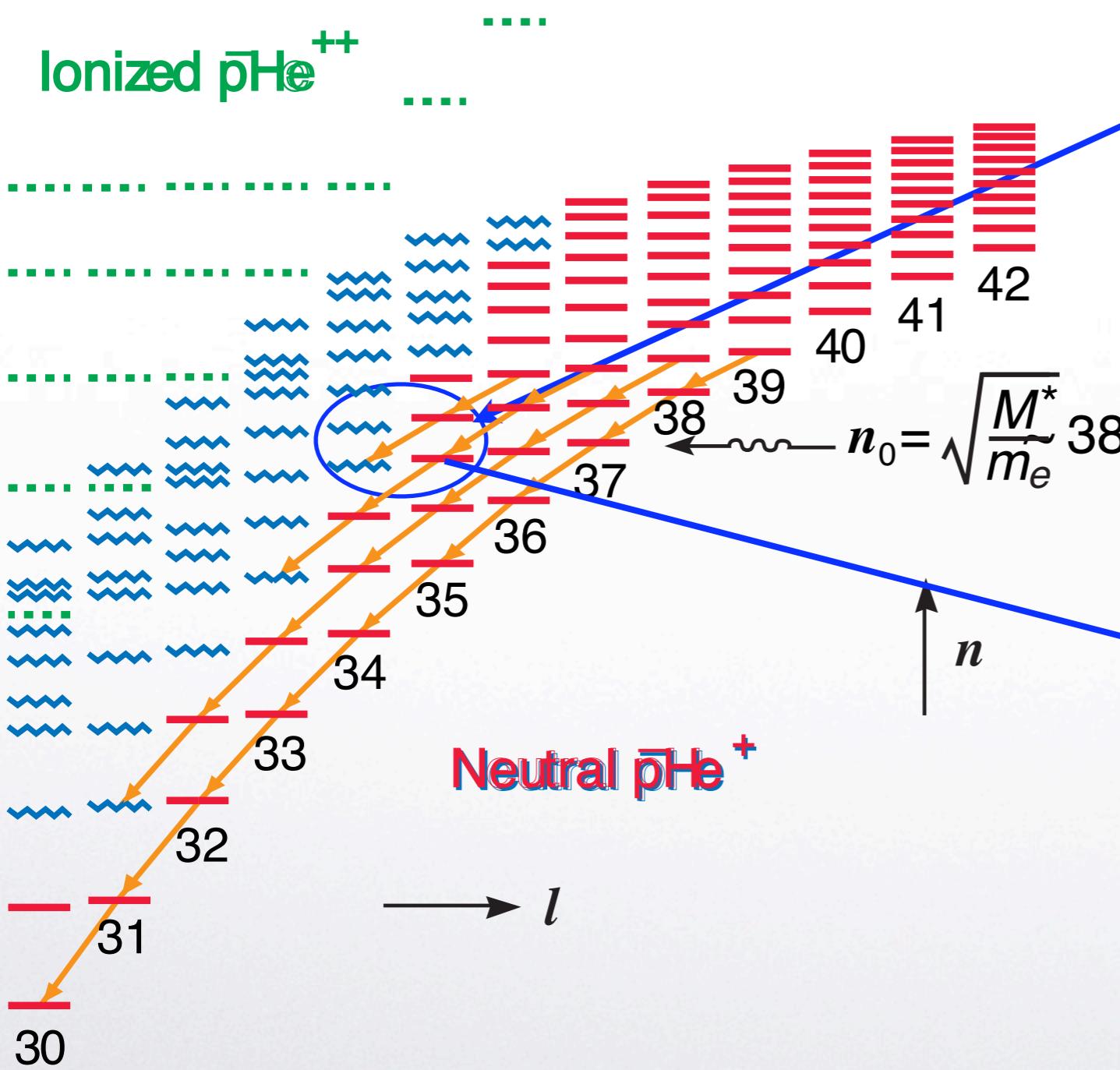


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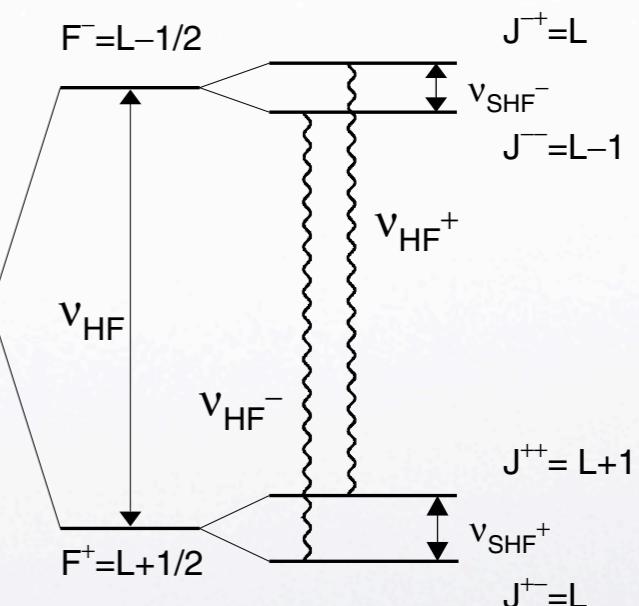


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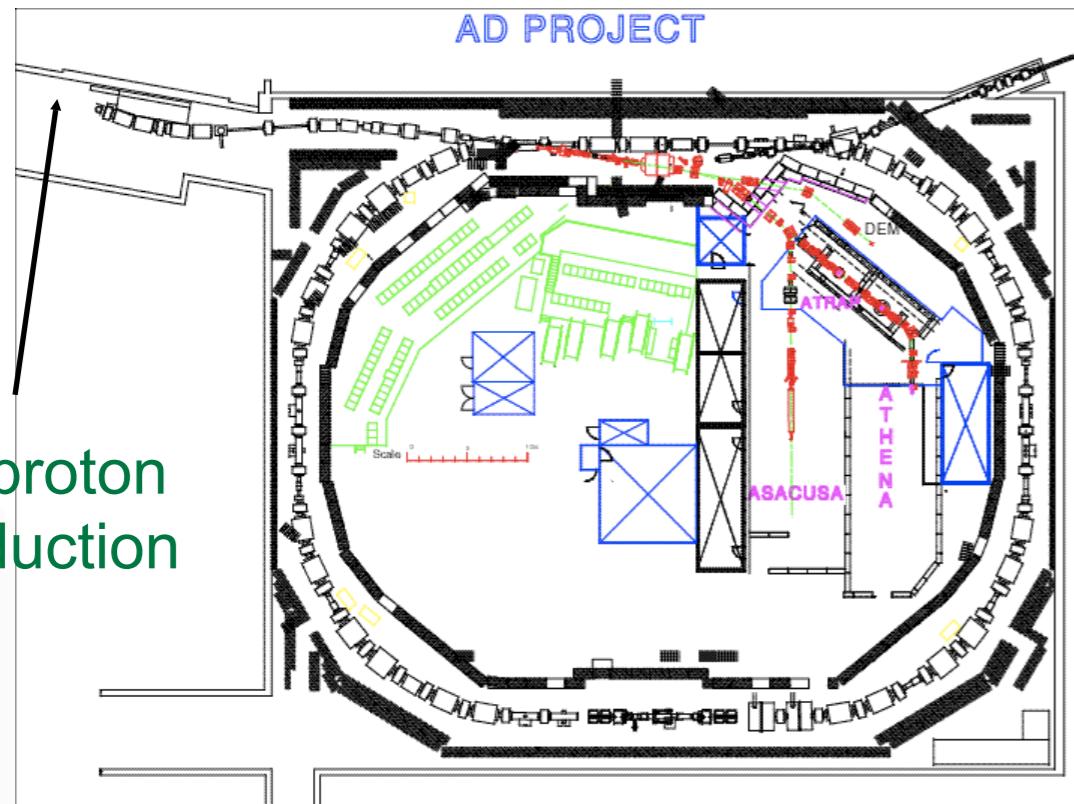


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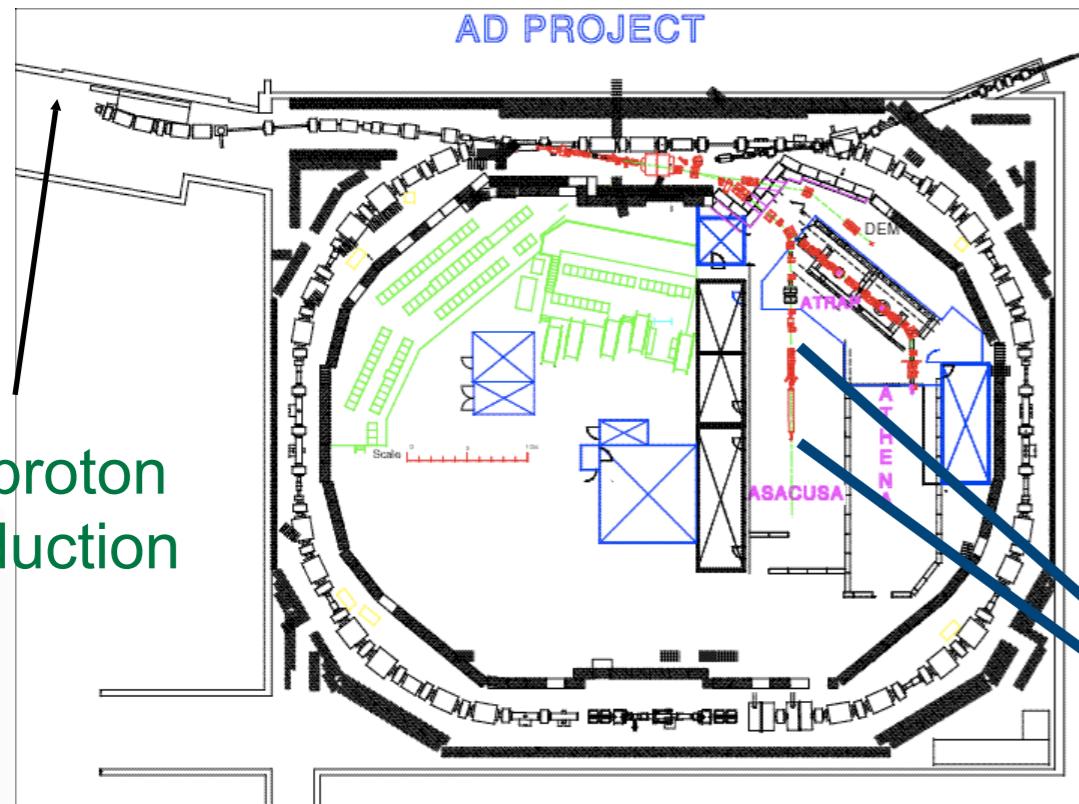
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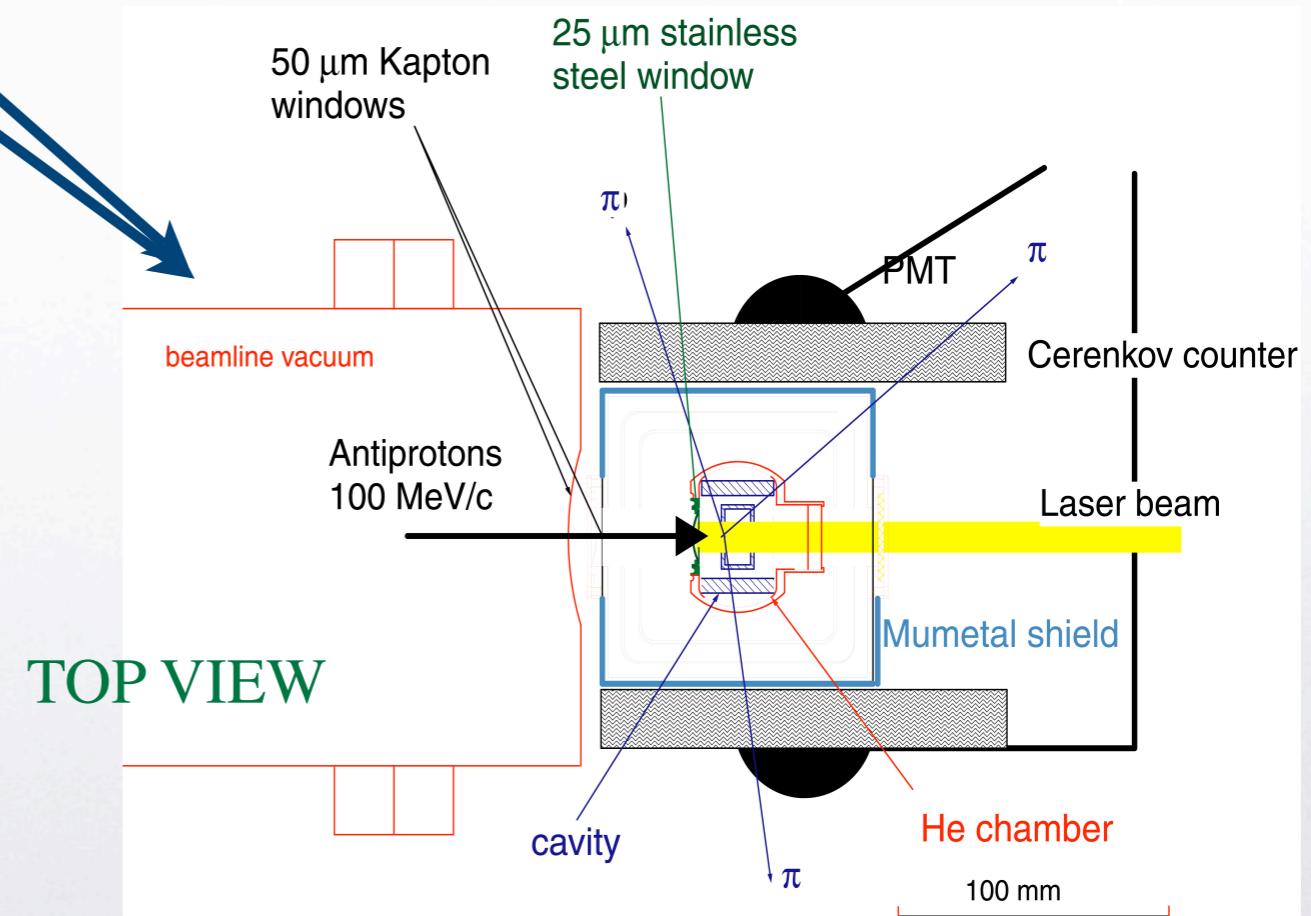
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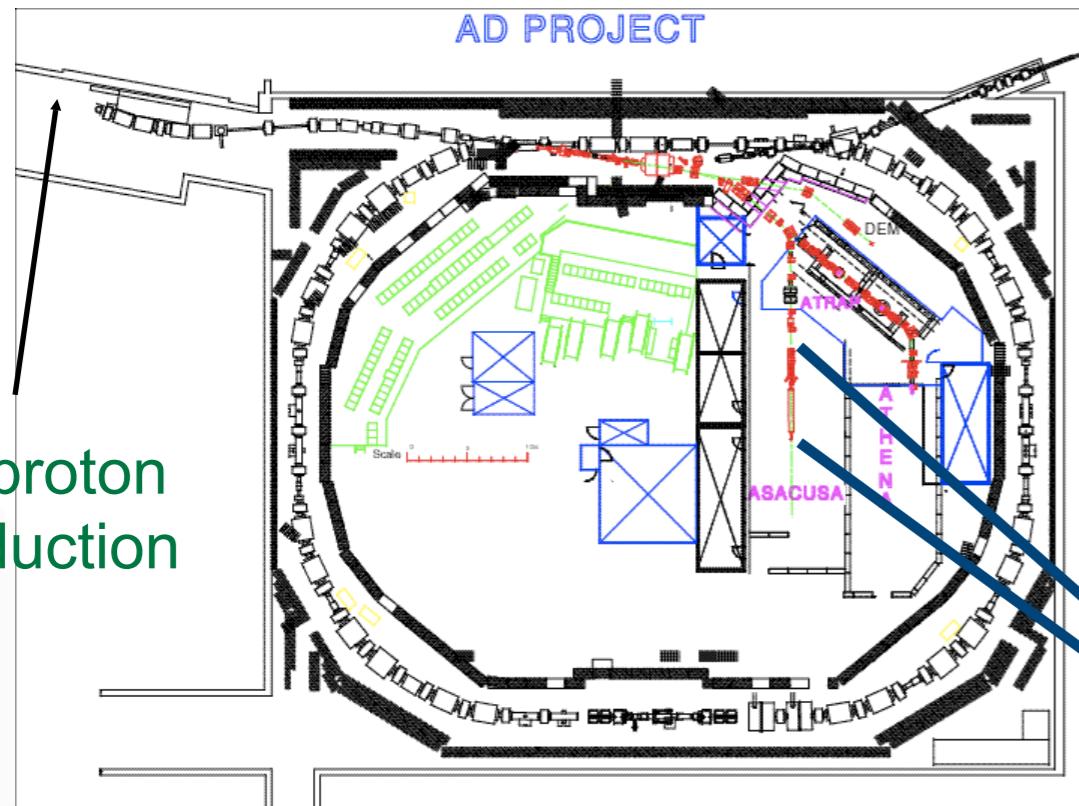


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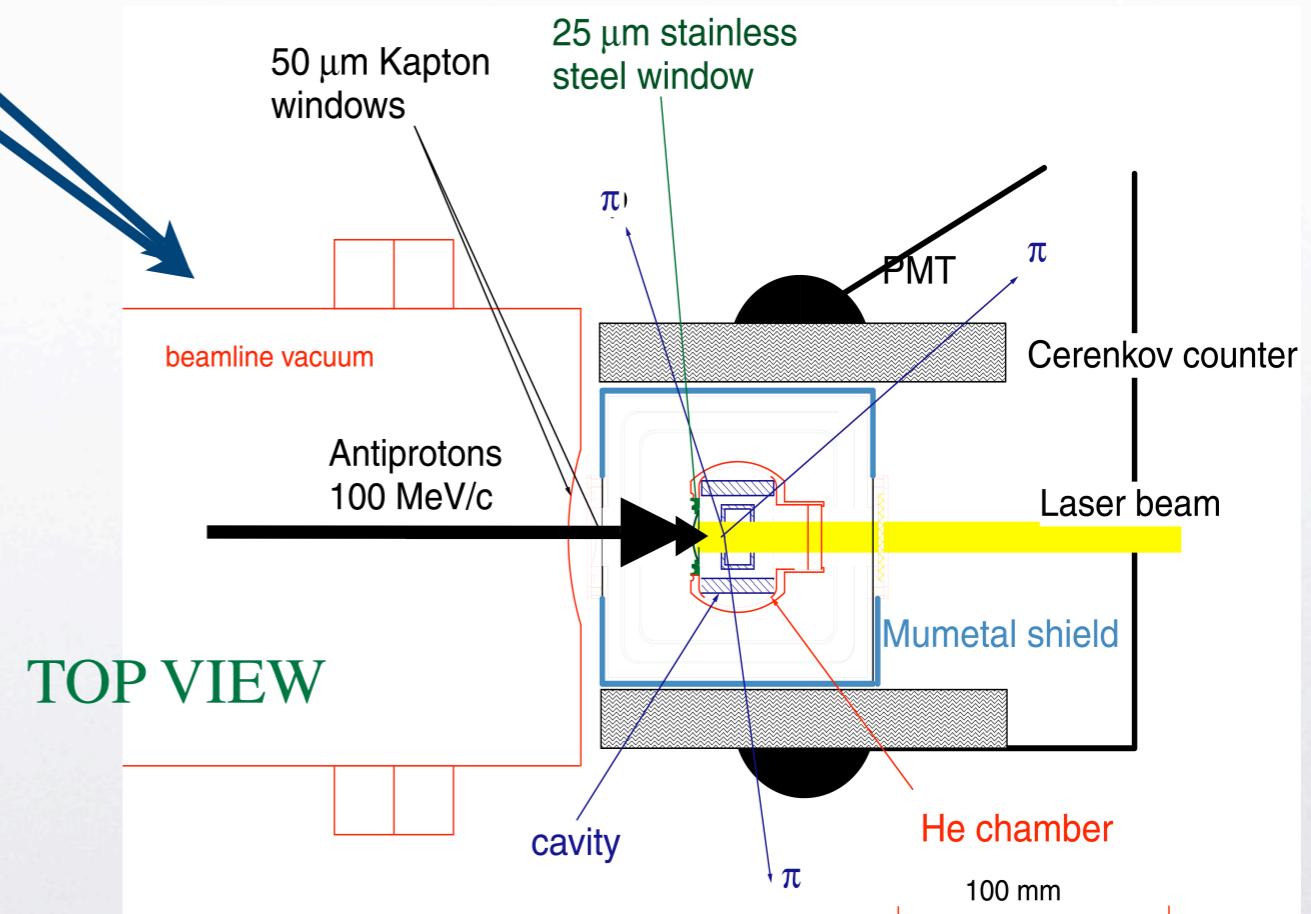


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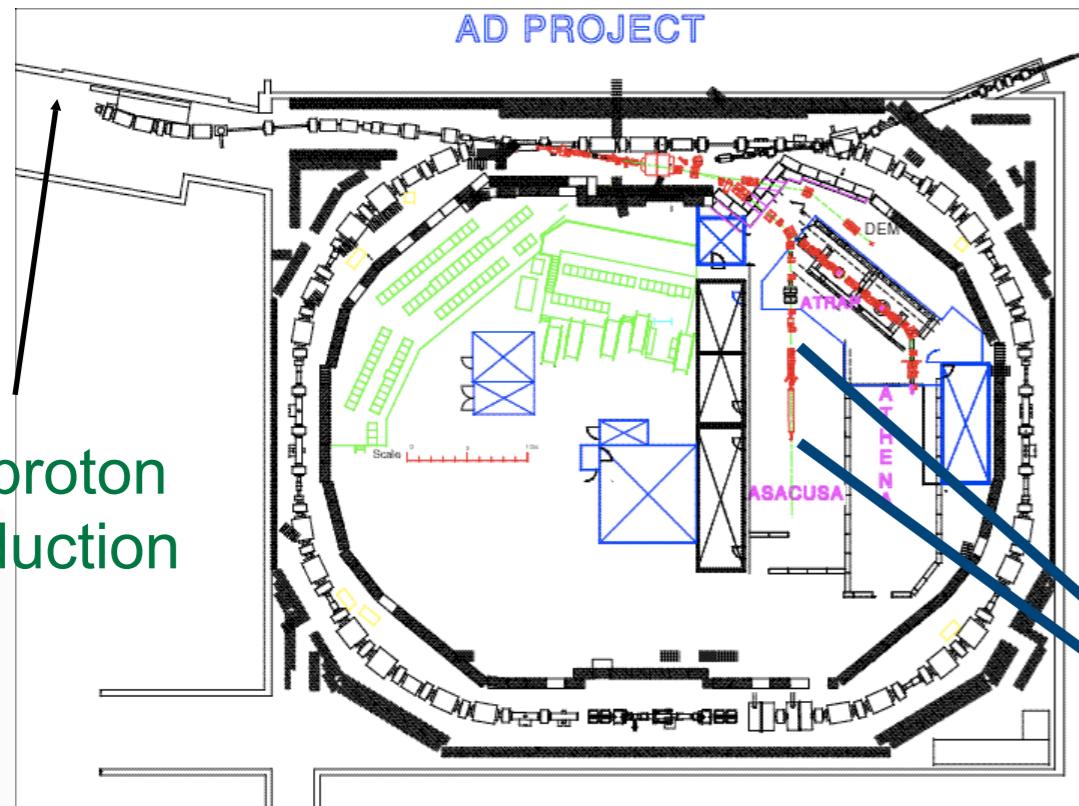


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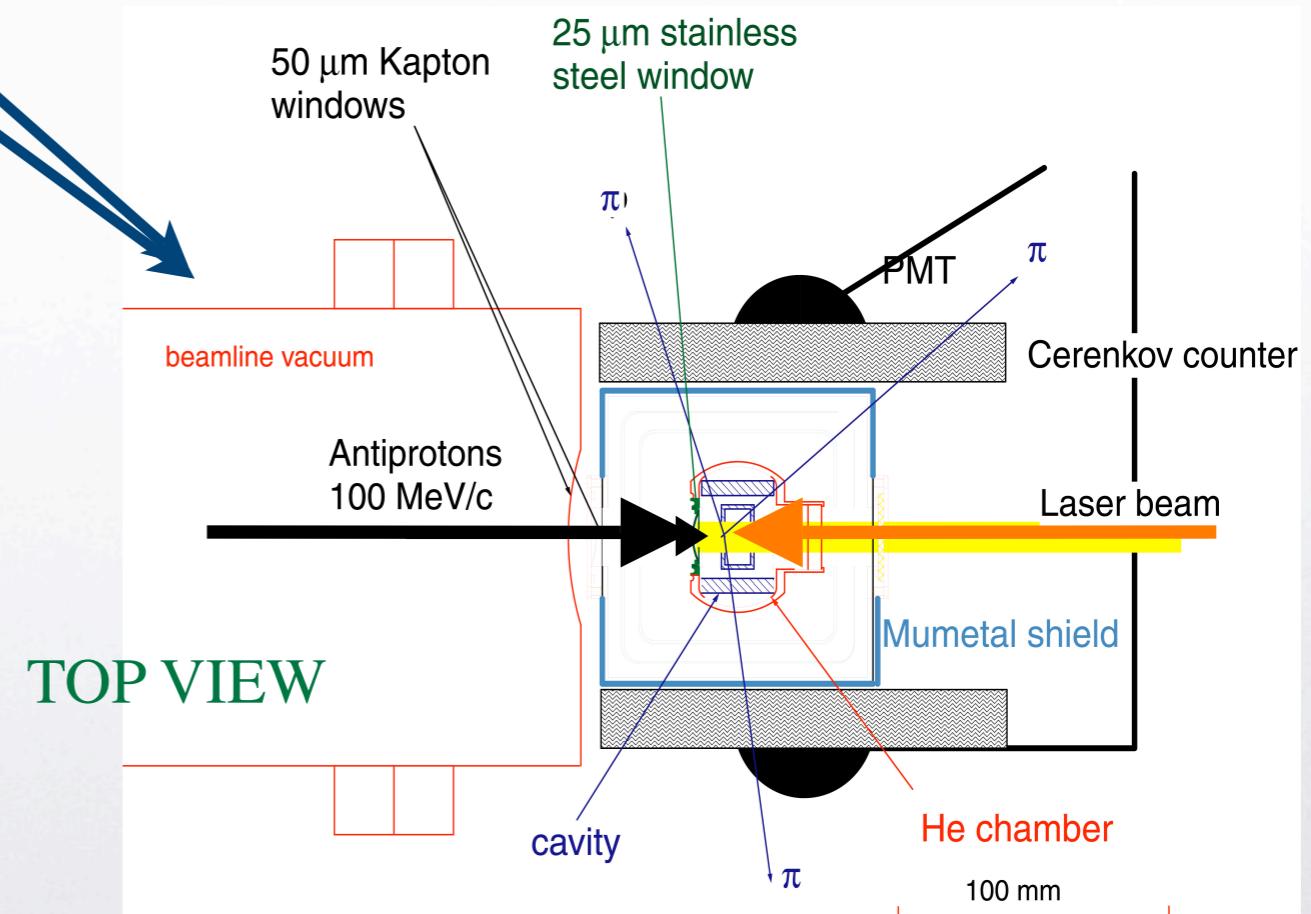


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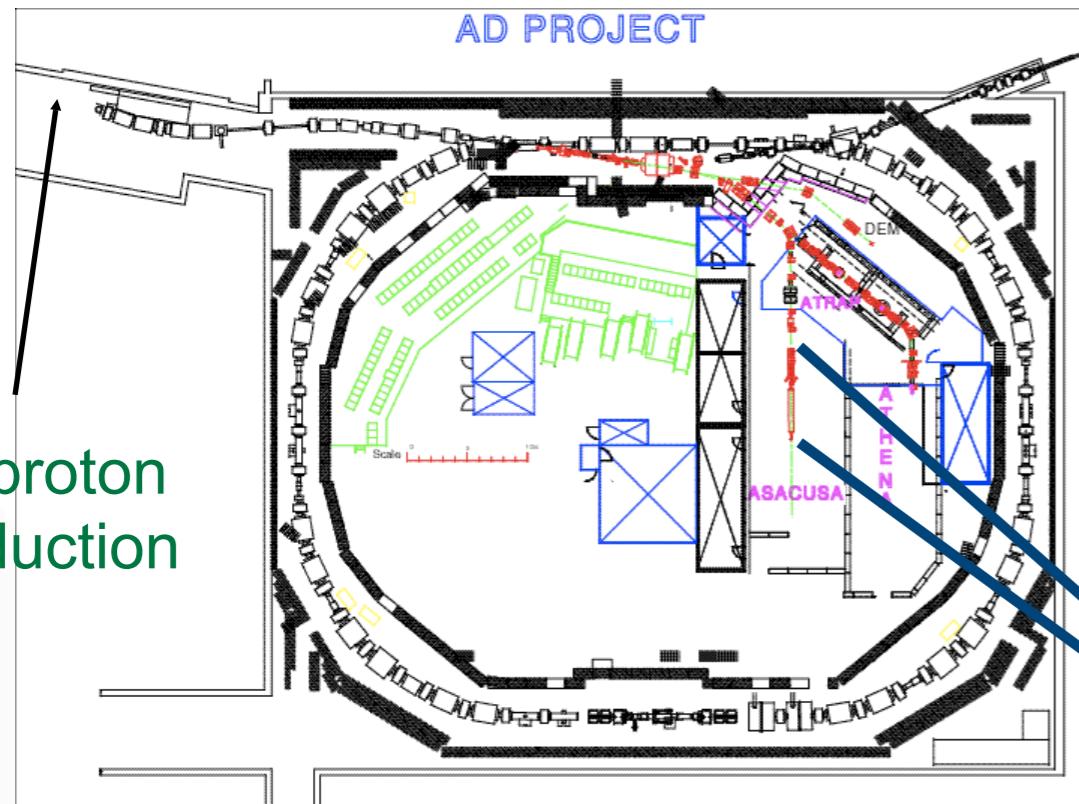


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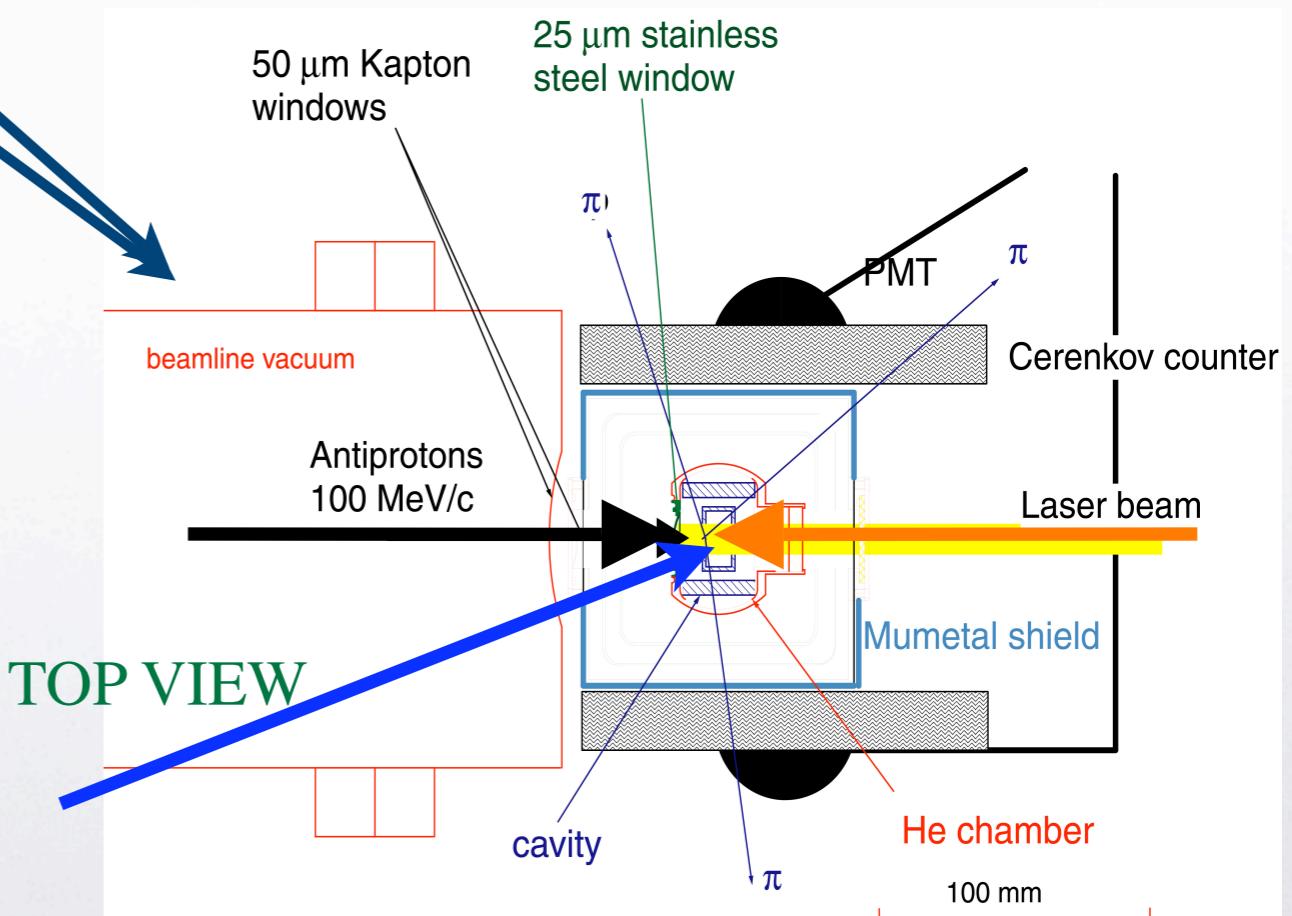


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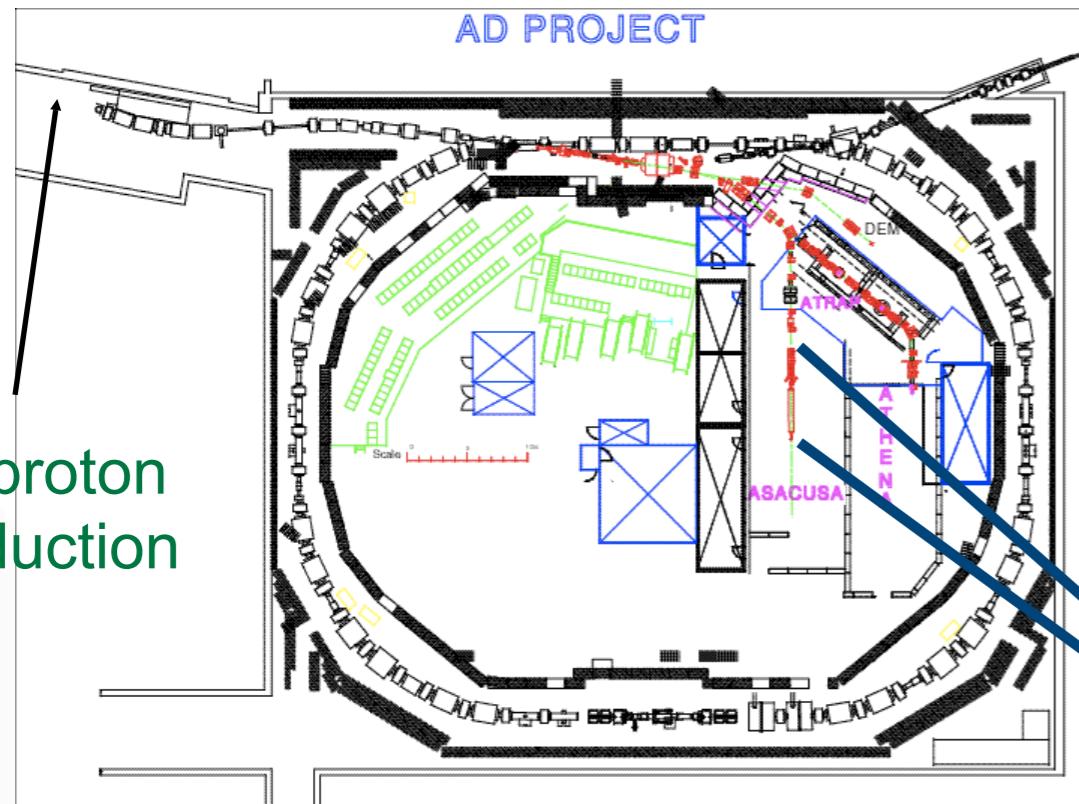


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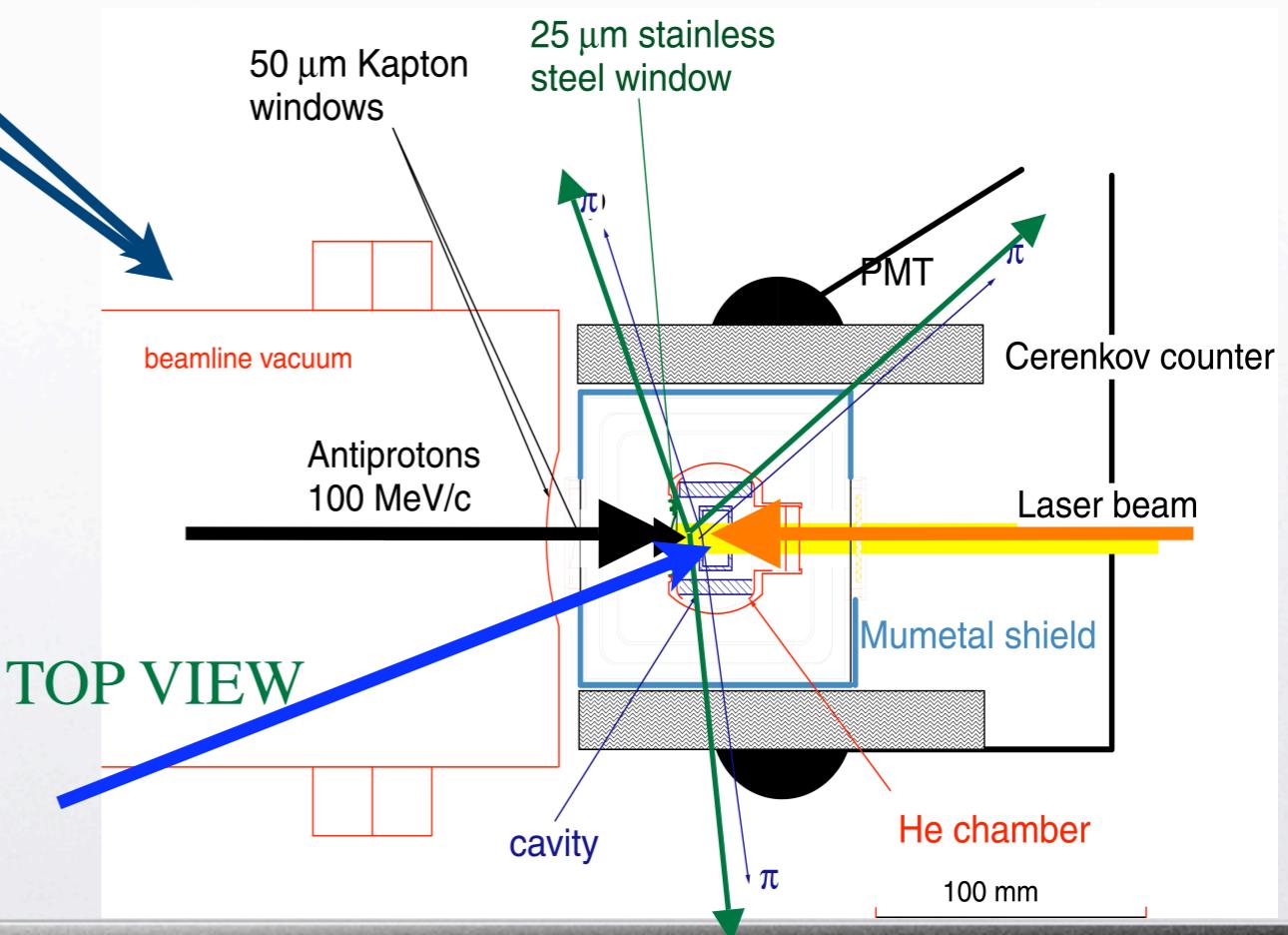


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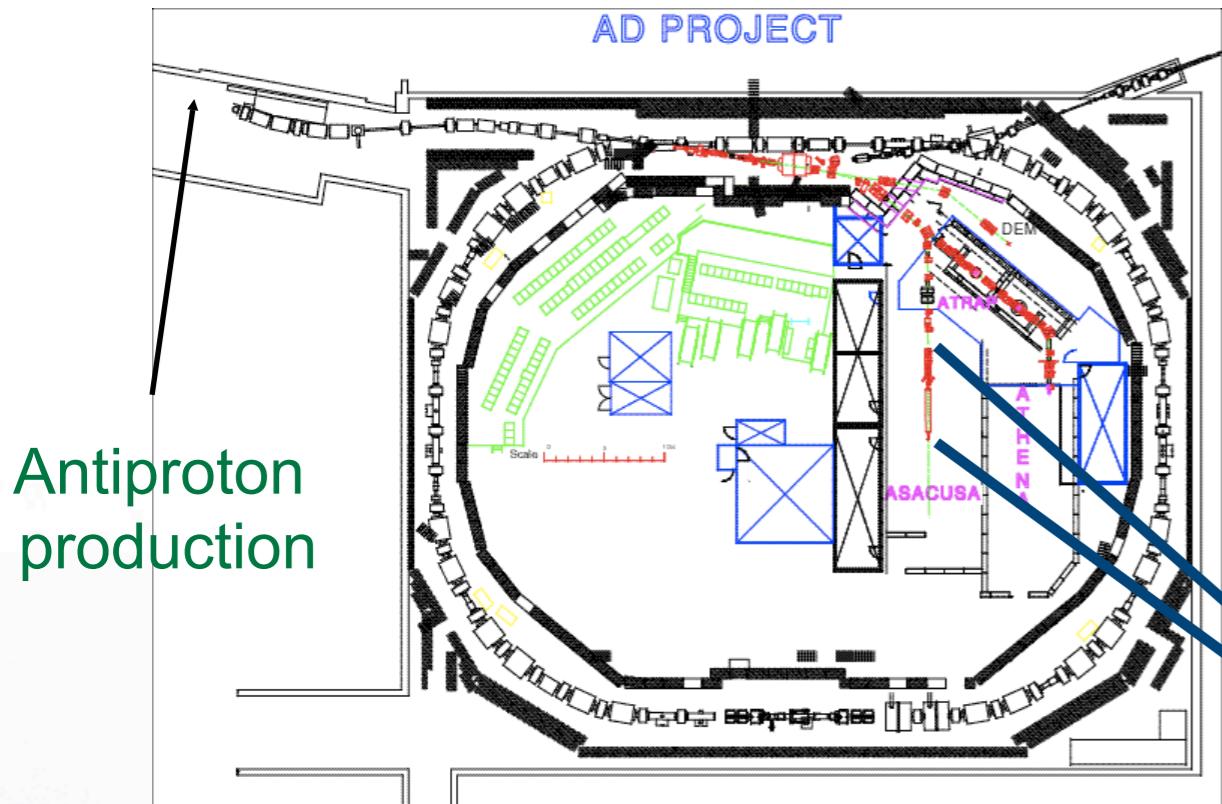


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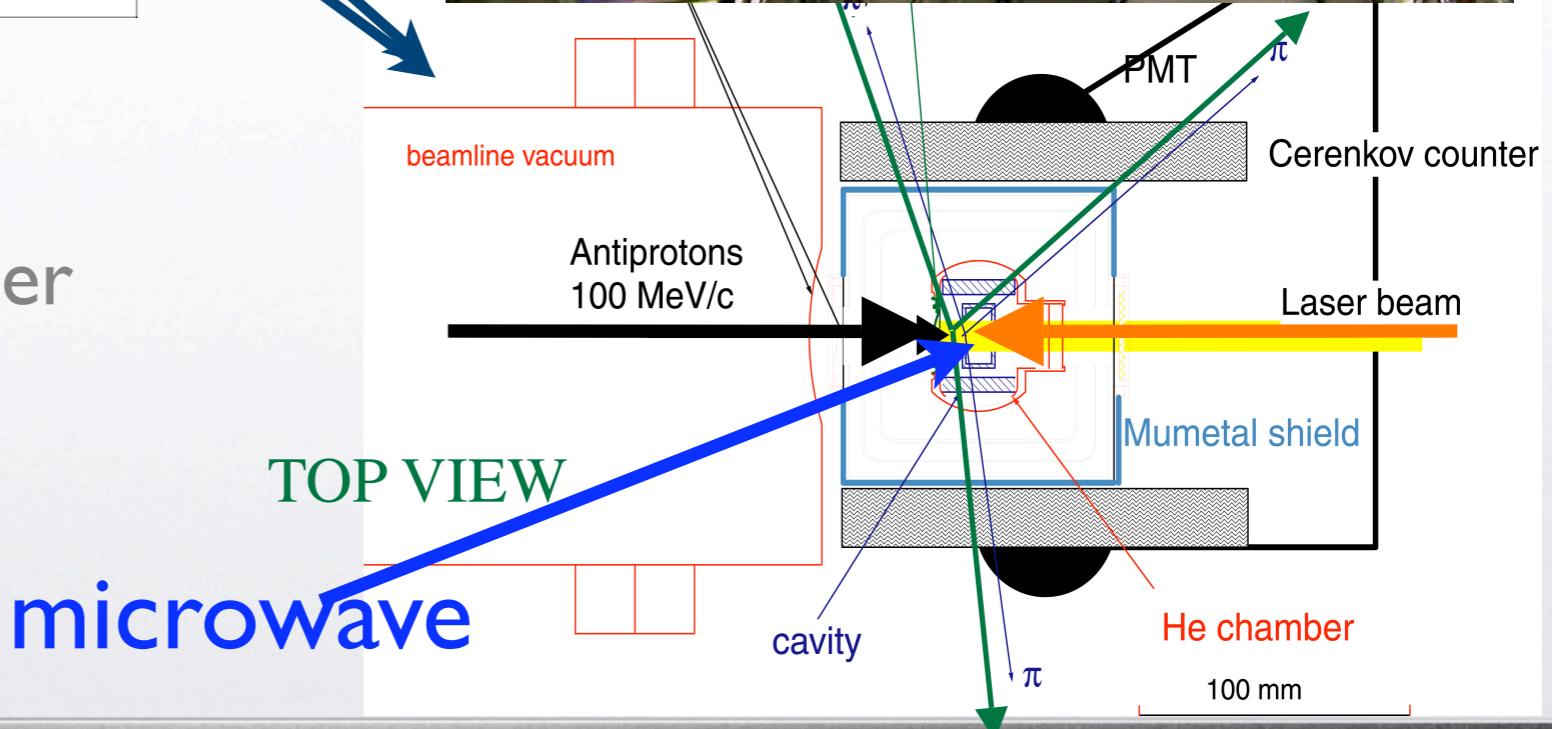
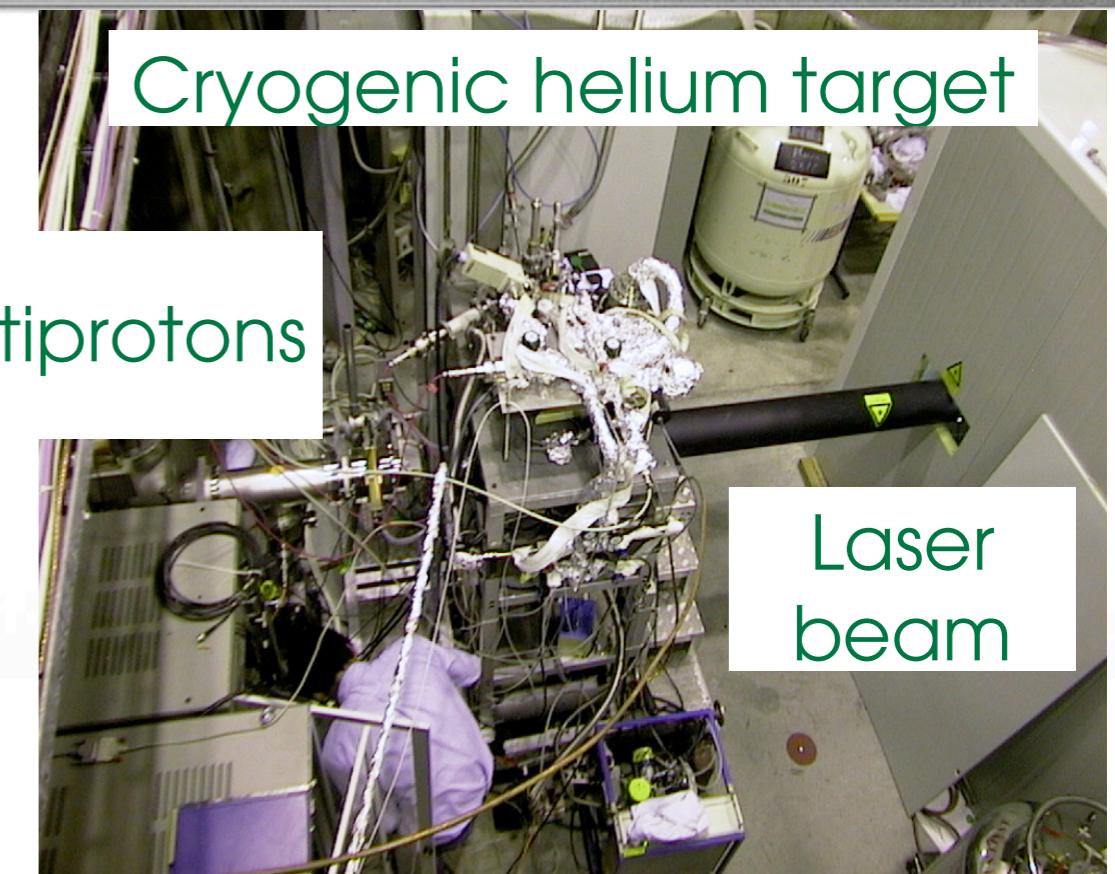


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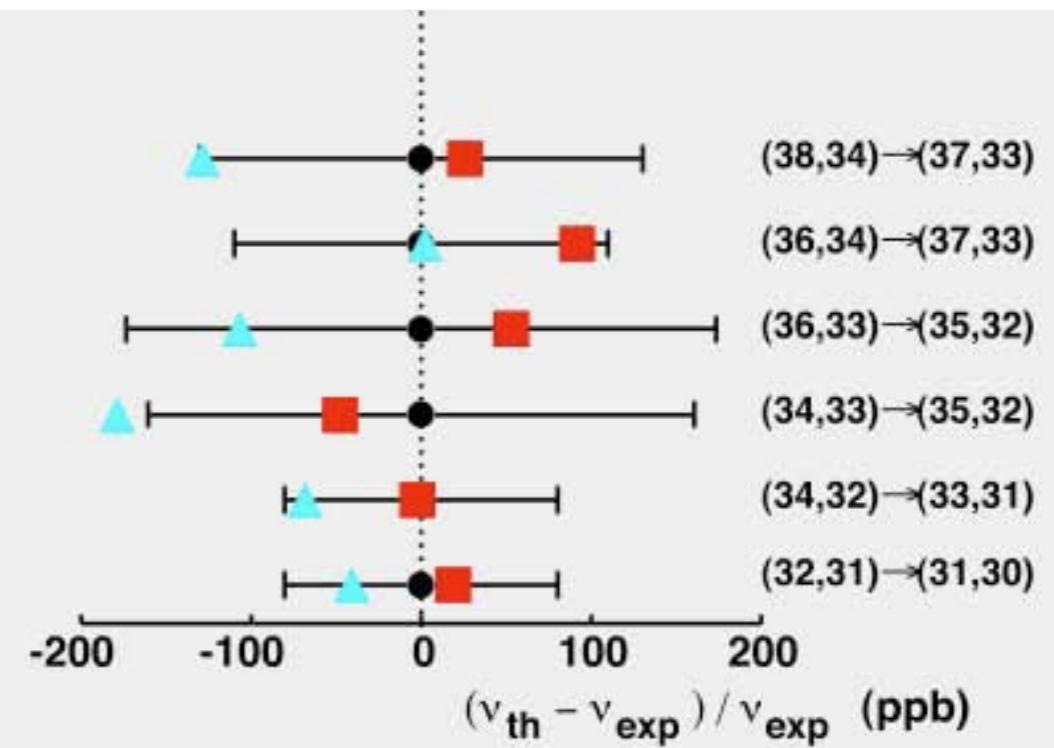
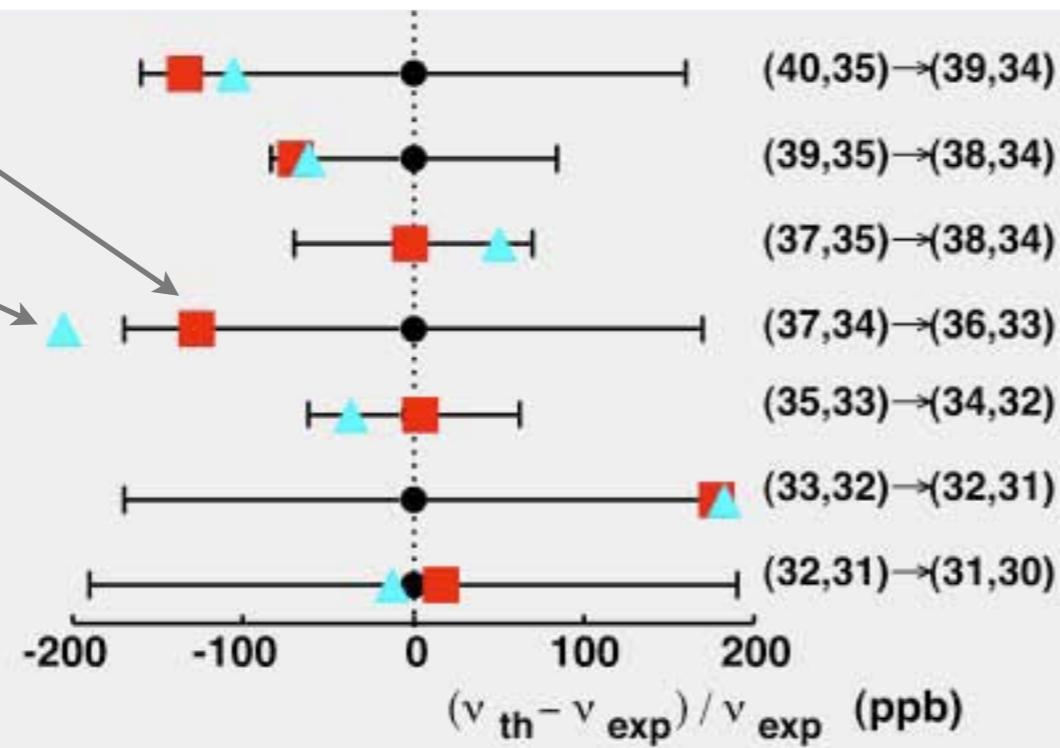


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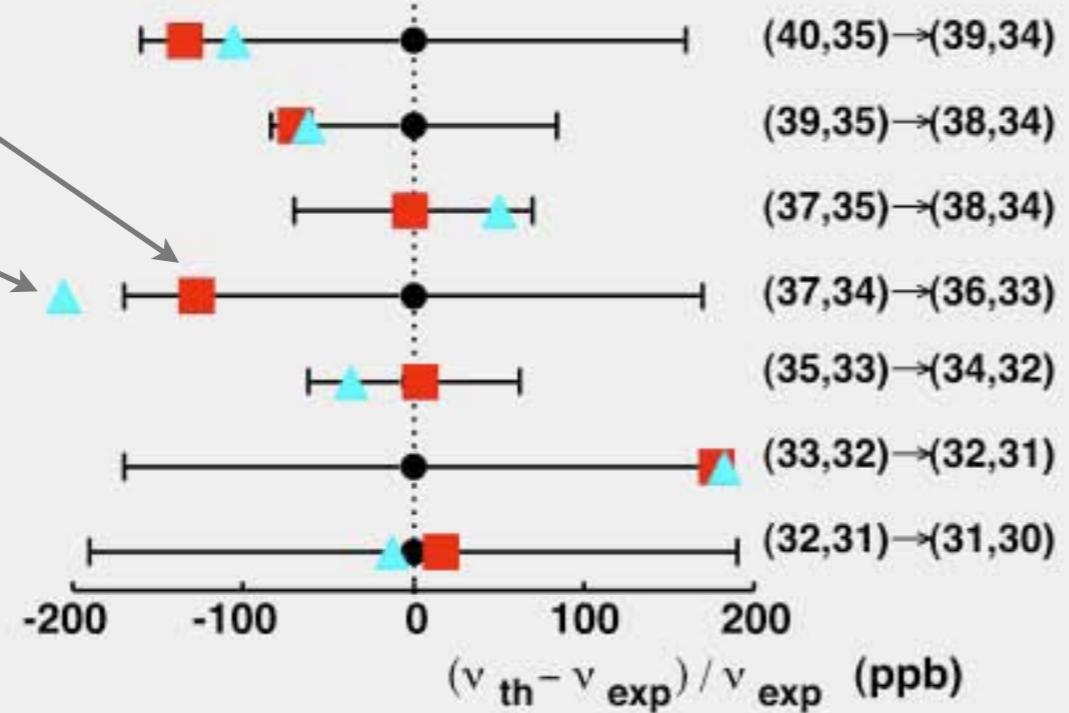
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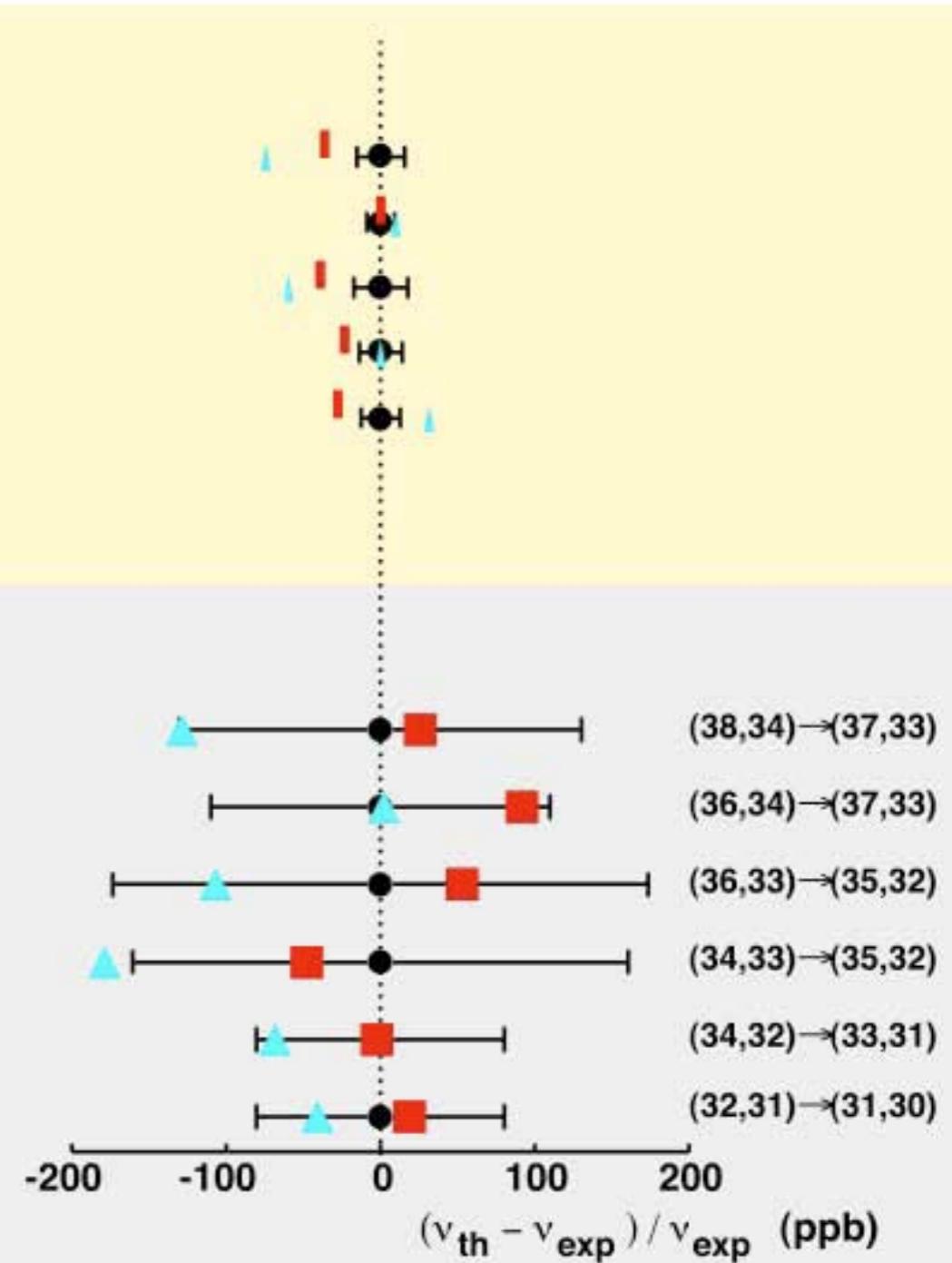
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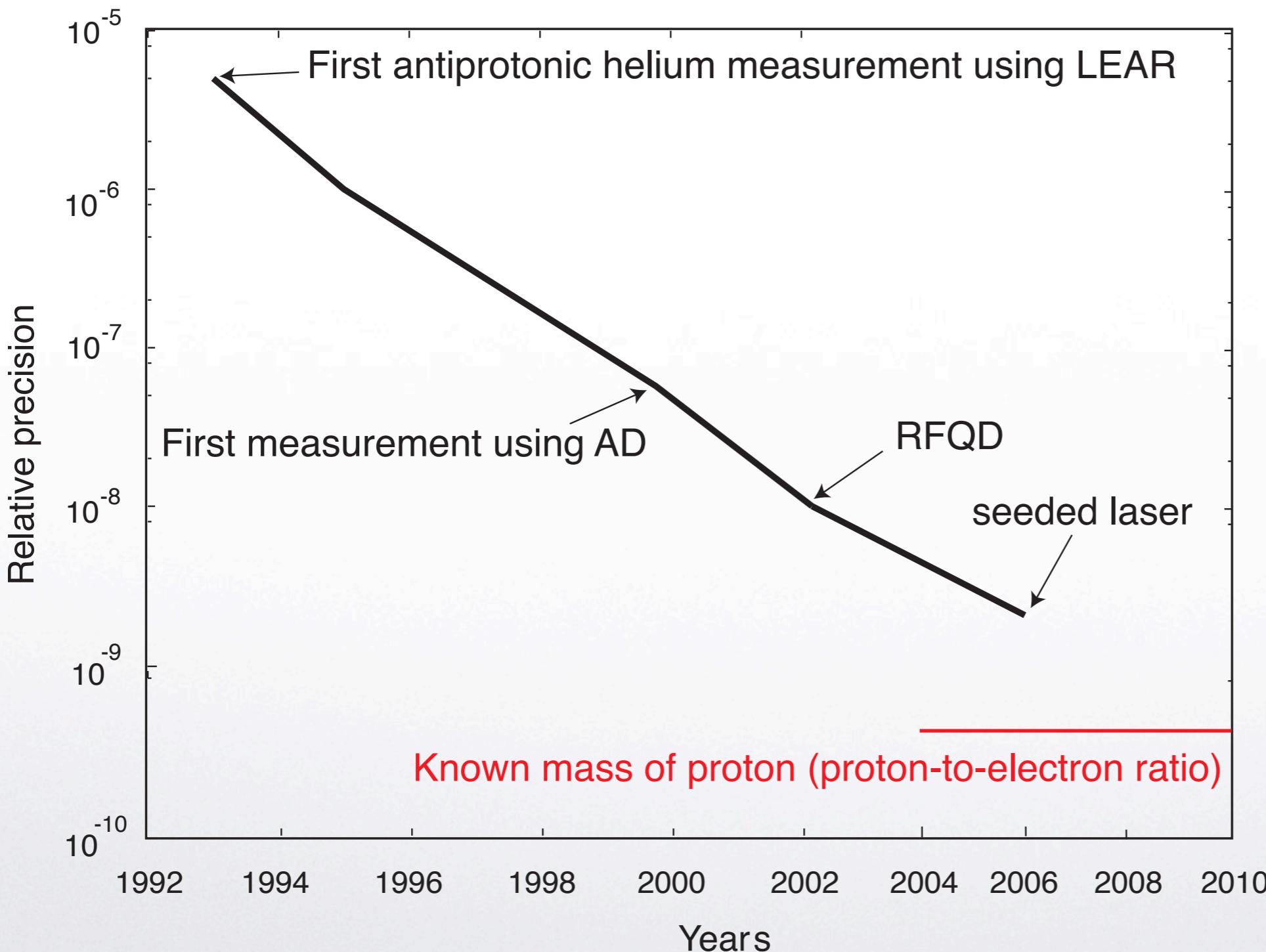


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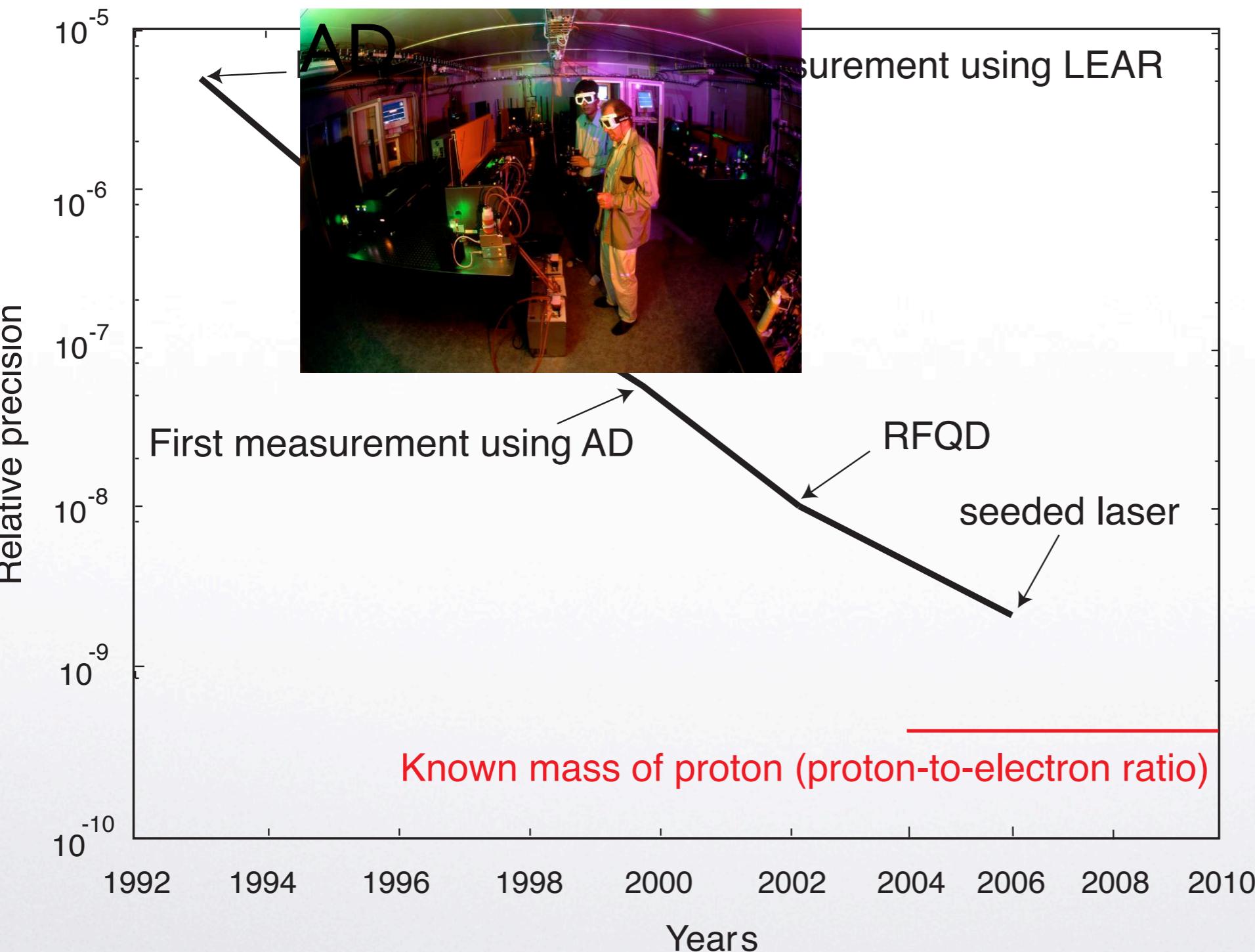
Antiprotonic helium and CPT



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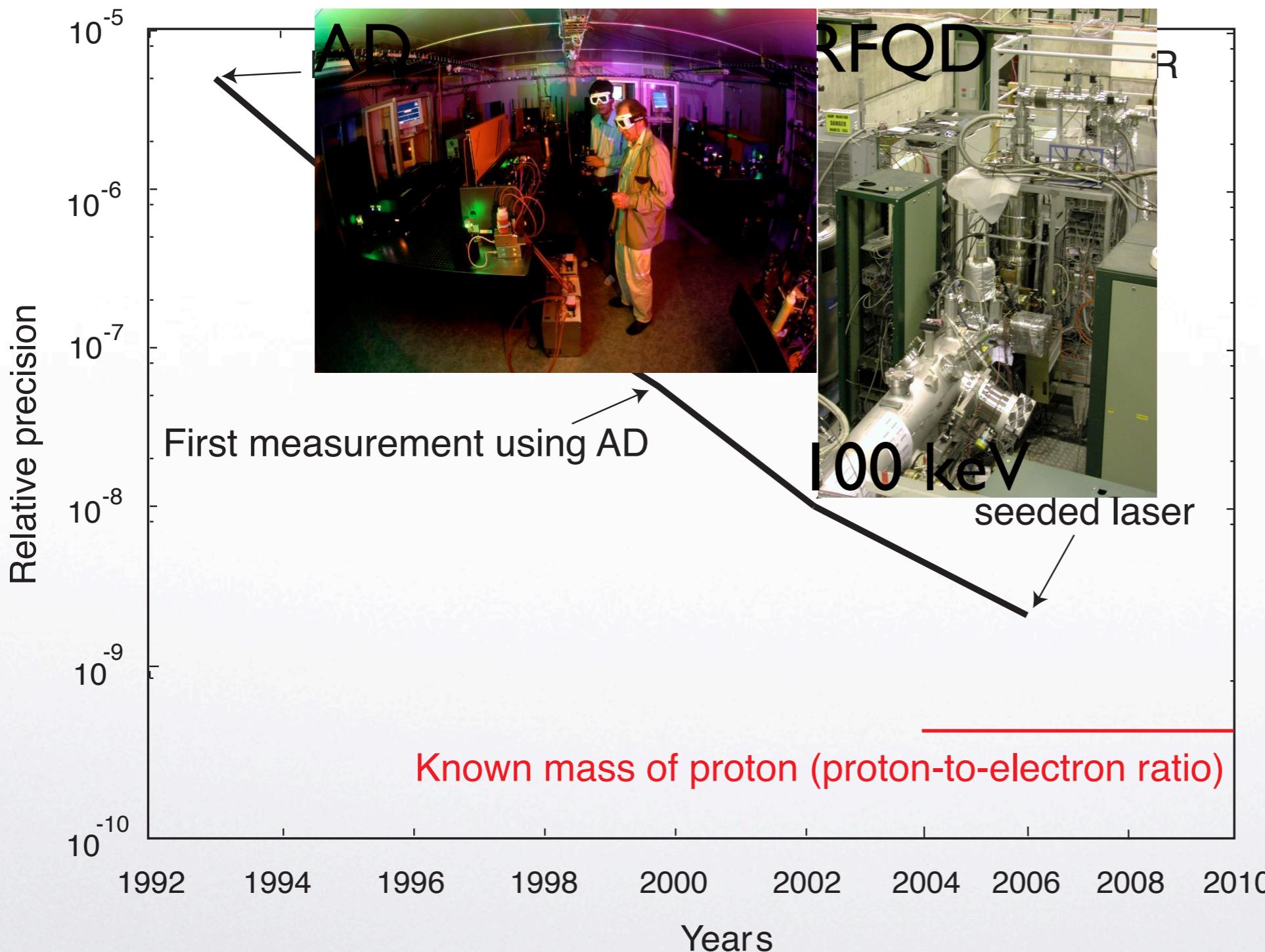


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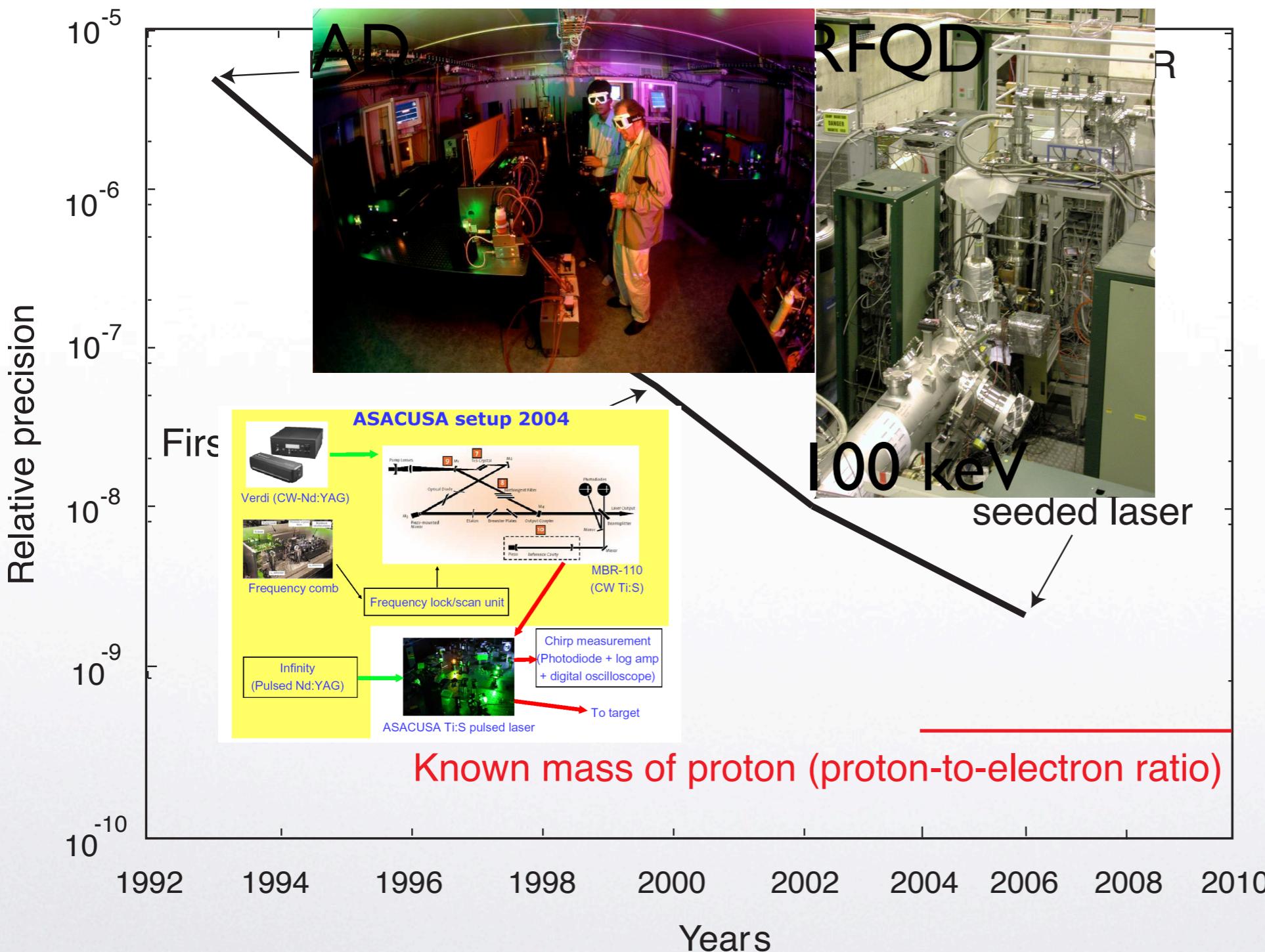
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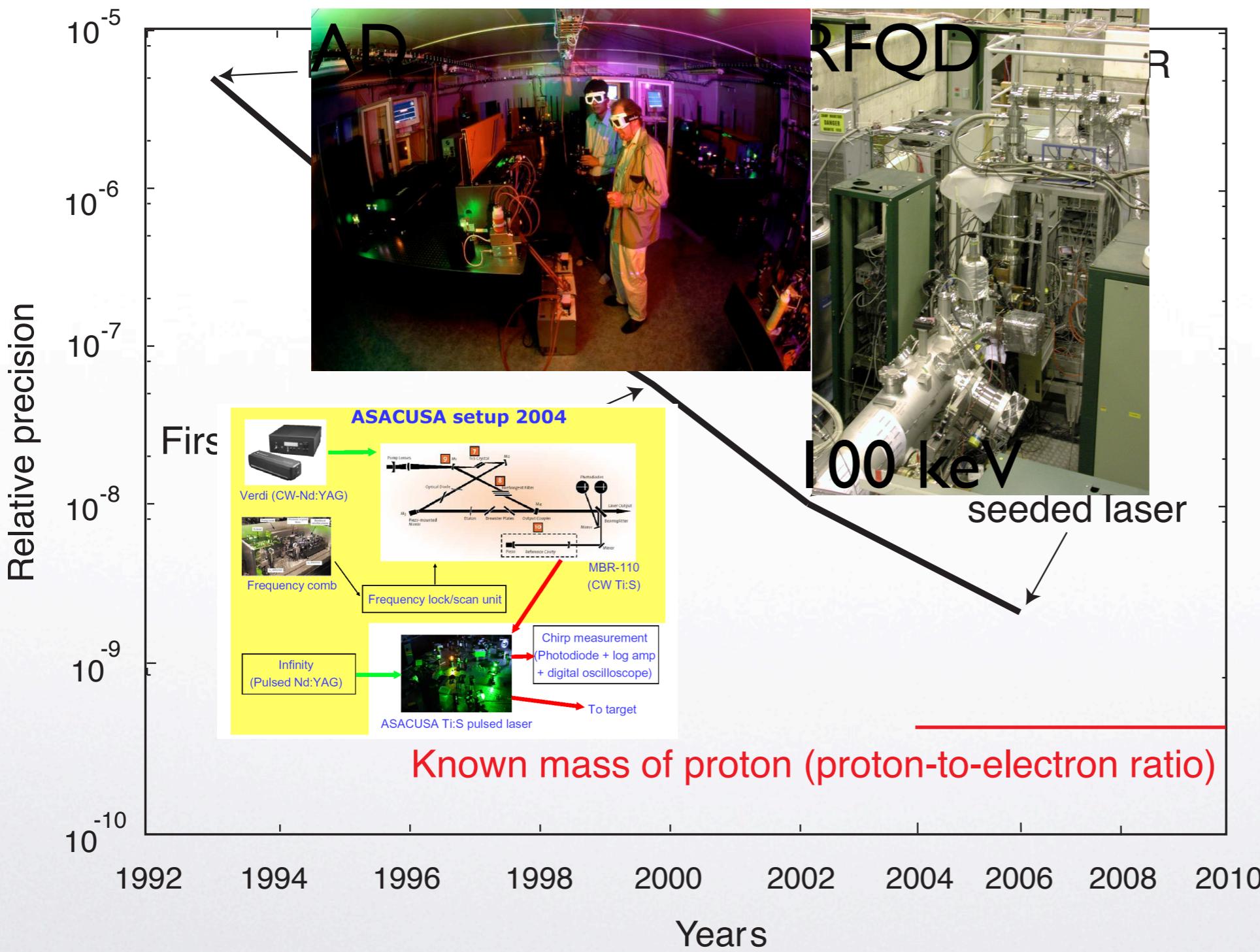
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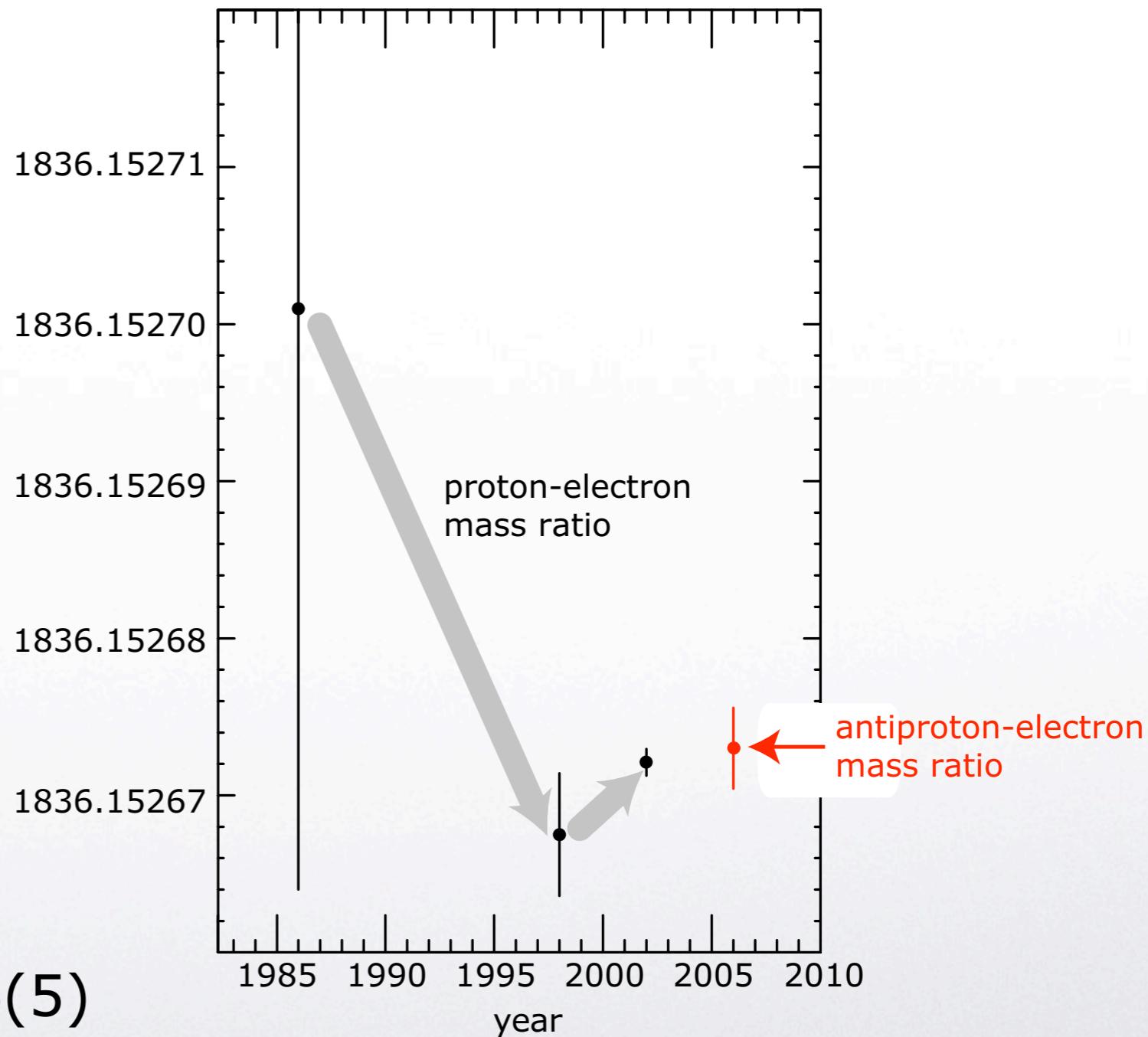
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# p(bar)-e mass ratio

- CODATA value  $m_p/m_e$  changes over time
- errors comparable
- antiproton mass measurement agrees with latest value for proton (test of CPT)

$$m_{\bar{p}}/m_e = 1836.152674(5)$$



M. Hori et al. PRL 96 (2006) 243401

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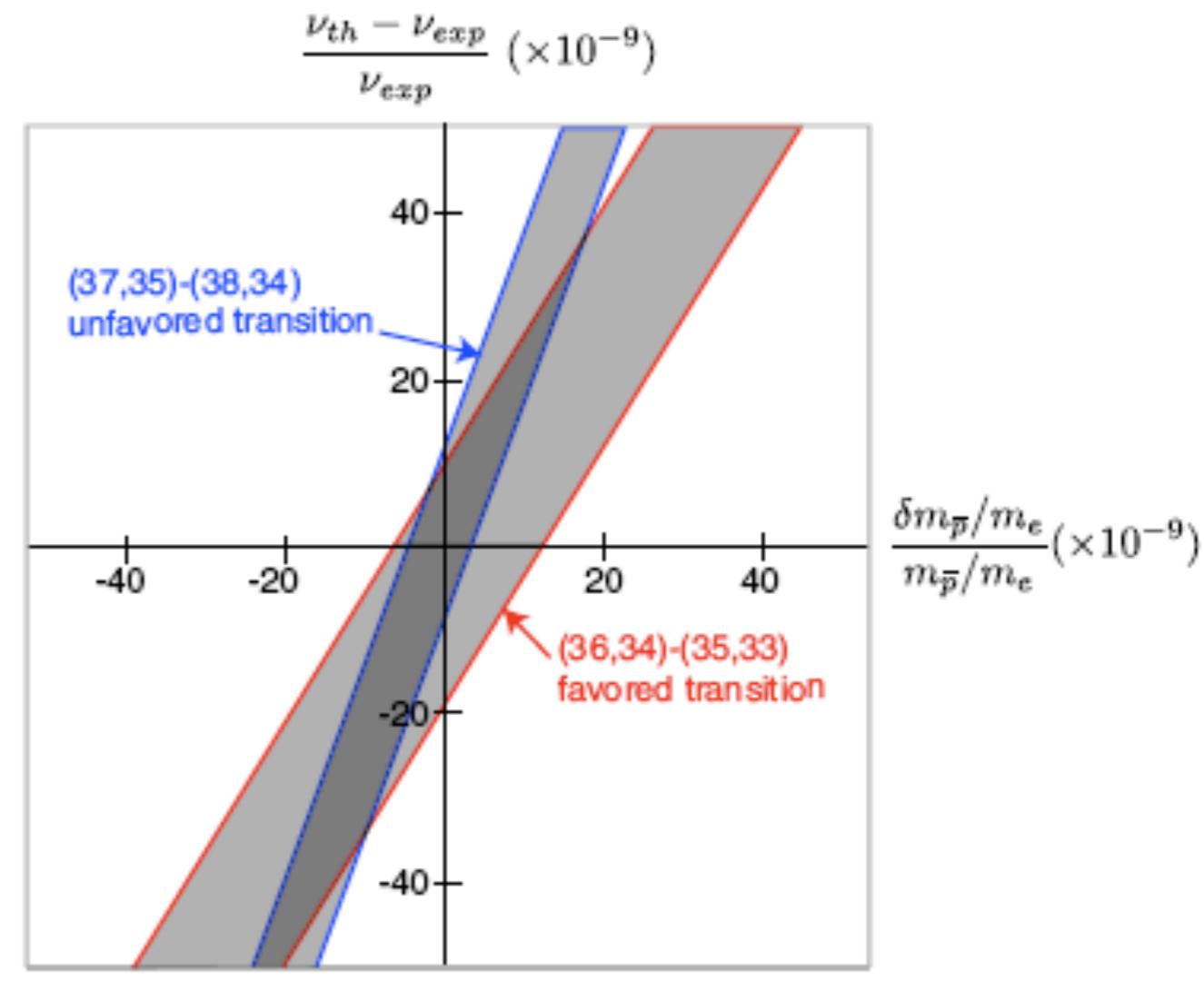
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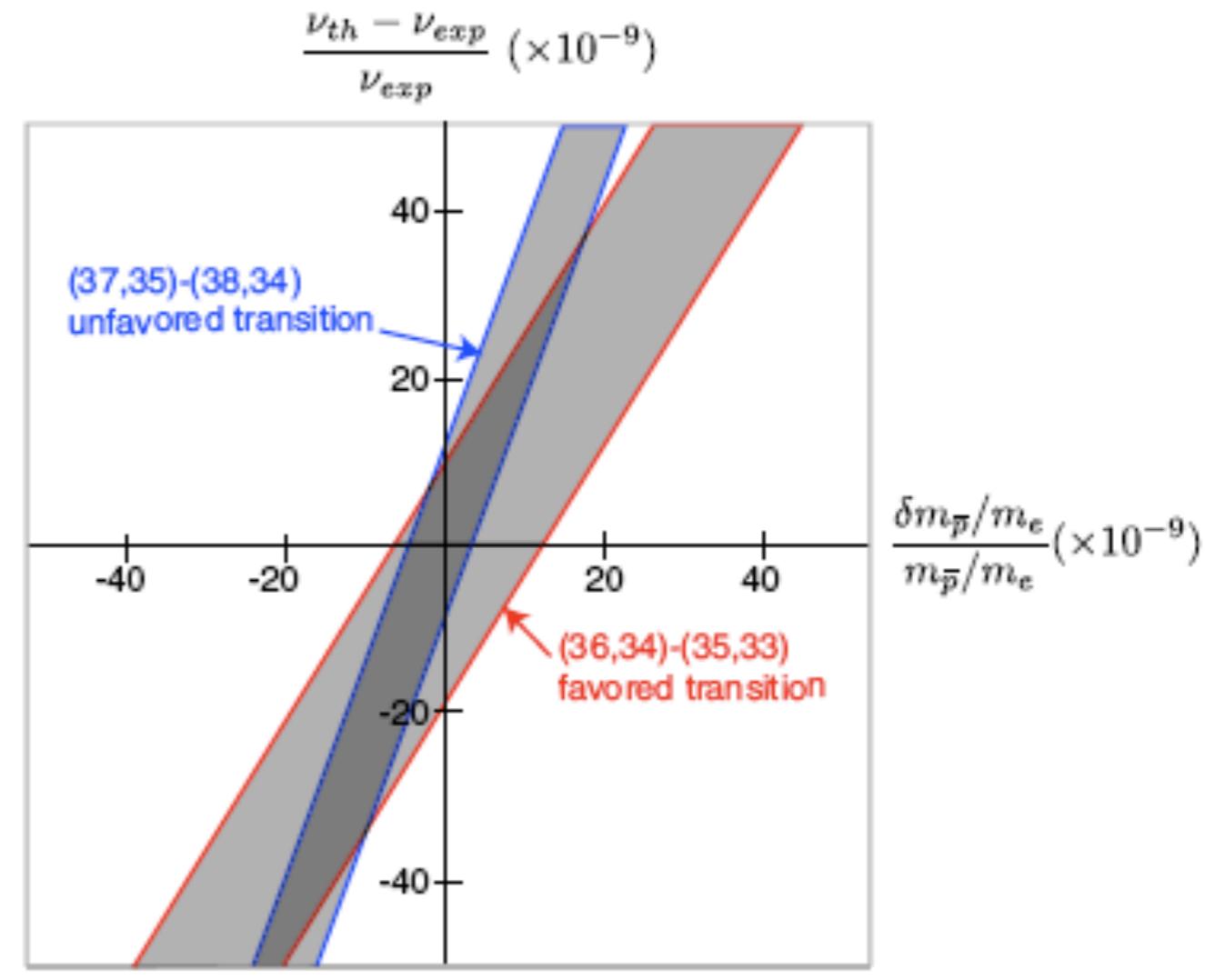
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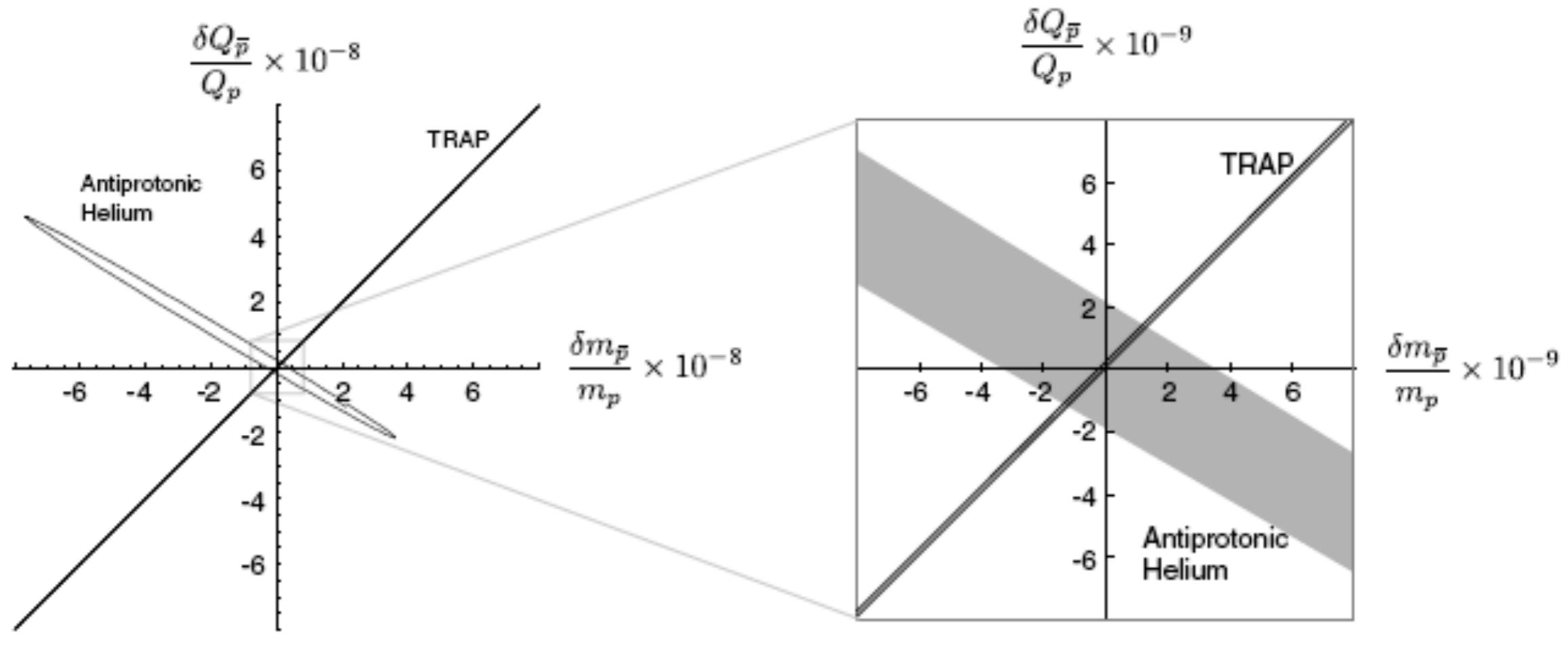
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Factor ~150 better than LEAR  
~10000 better than X-ray measurements

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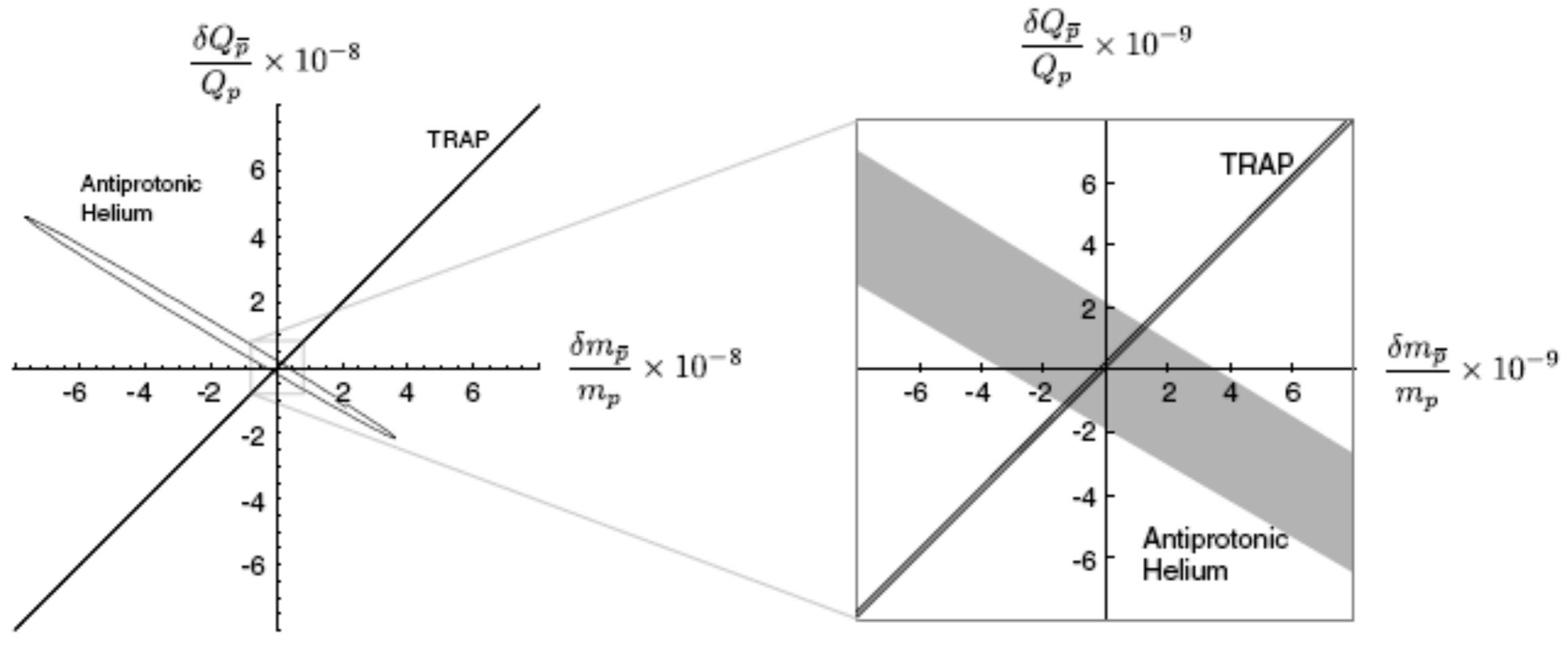
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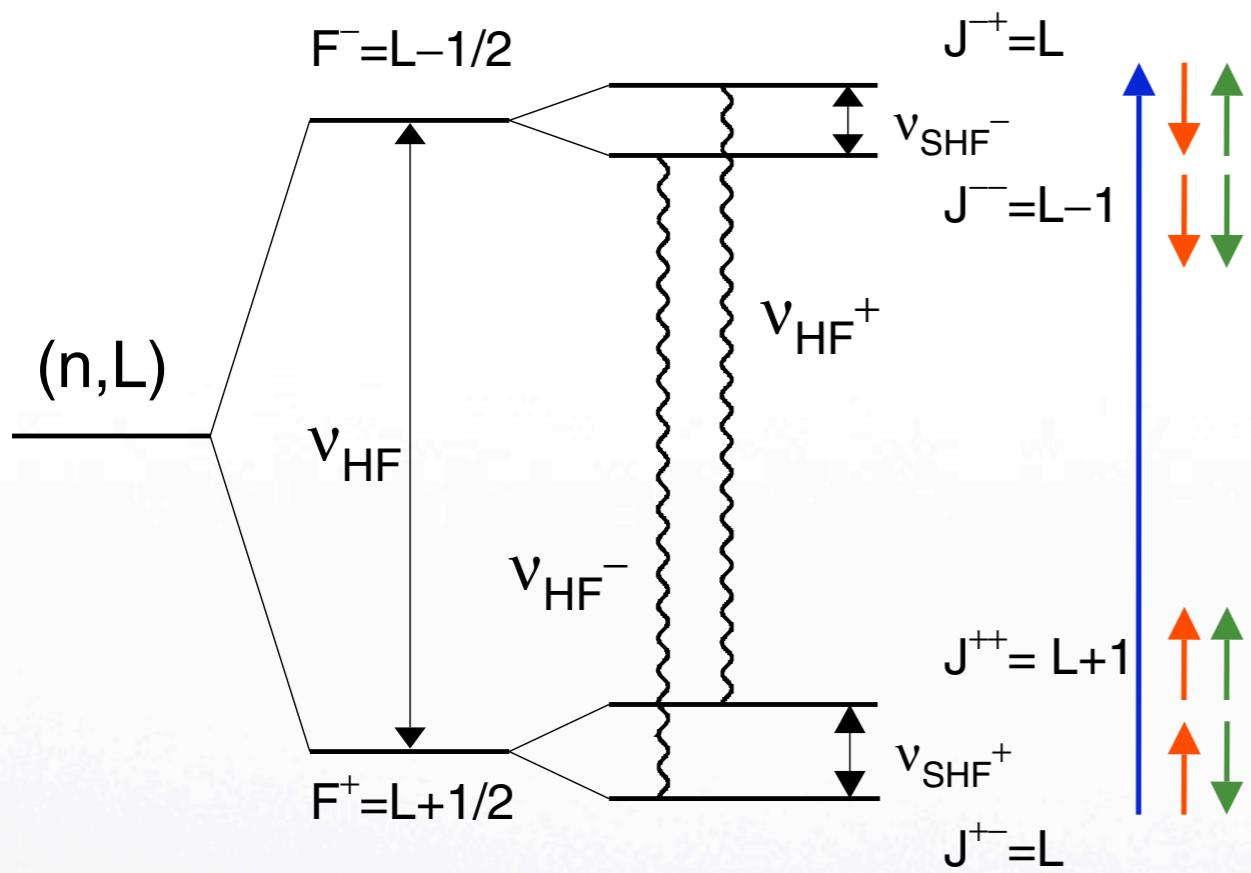
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$$\left| \frac{M_{\bar{p}} - M_p}{M_p} \right| \approx \left| \frac{Q_{\bar{p}} - Q_p}{Q_p} \right| < \begin{cases} 6 \times 10^{-8} & (\text{2000}) \\ 1 \times 10^{-8} & (\text{2003}) \end{cases}$$

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# Hyperfine Structure of $\bar{p}^4\text{He}^+$

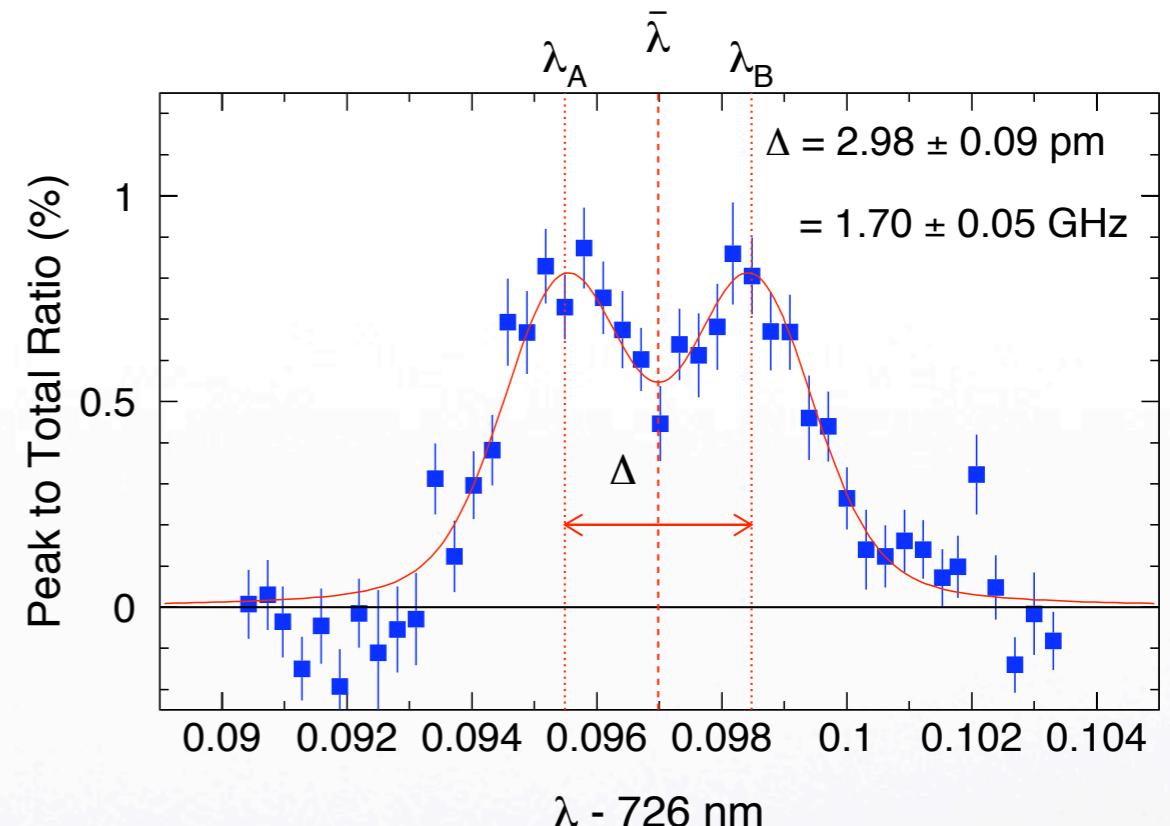
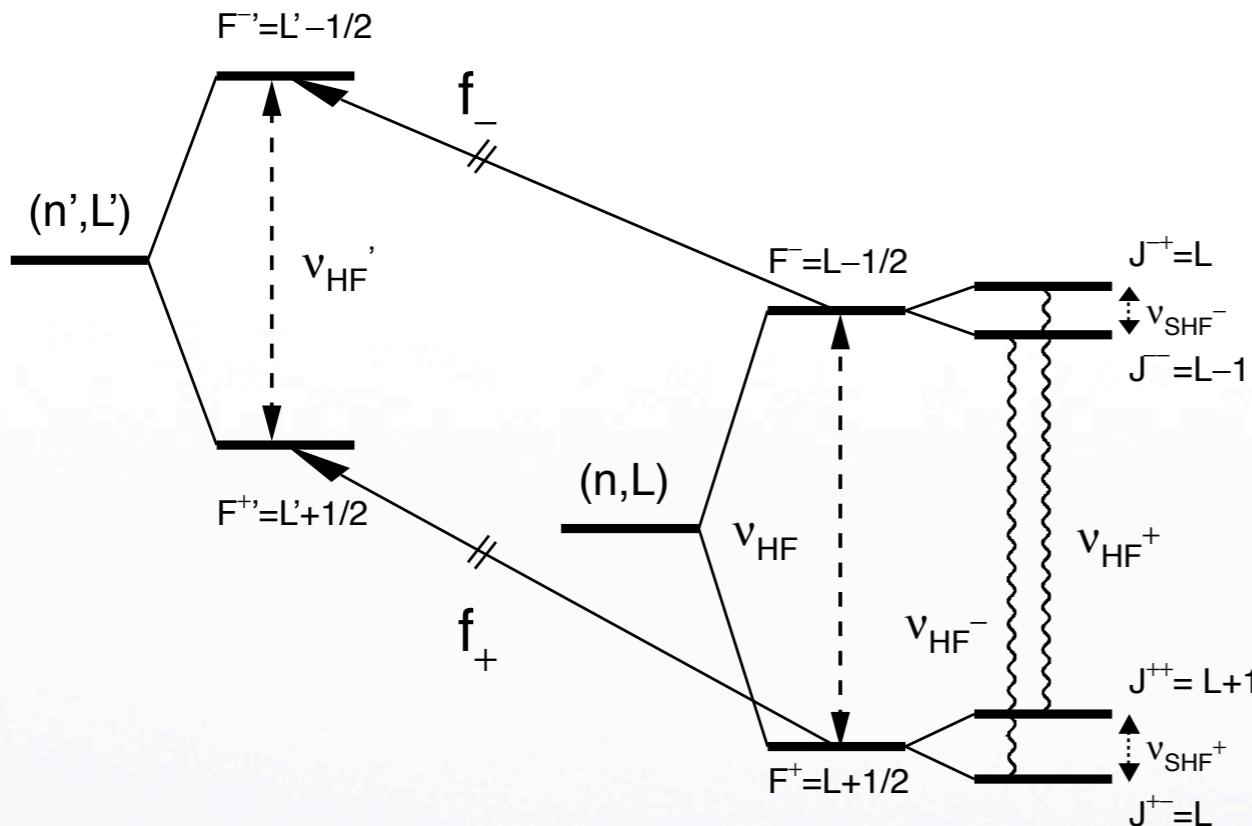


$v_{\text{SHF}}$  sensitive to magnetic moment of pbar  
(known to  $3 \times 10^{-3}$ )

$v_{\text{HF}}$  tests orbital angular momentum:  $g_J$

- *interactions of magnetic moments:*
  - electron:  $\vec{\mu}_e = g\mu_B \vec{S}_e$
  - pbar:  $\vec{\mu}_{\bar{p}} = [g_s(\bar{p})\vec{S}_{\bar{p}} + g_i(\bar{p})\vec{L}_{\bar{p}}]\mu_N$
- "Hyperfine" splitting HFS:  
 $\vec{L}_{\bar{p}} \cdot \vec{S}_e$ 
  - dominant because of large  $L$
- "Superhyperfine" splitting  
 $\vec{S}_{\bar{p}}$ 
  - HFS:  $10 \dots 15 \text{ GHz}$
  - SHFS:  $0.1 \dots 0.3 \text{ GHz}$

# 1st Observation of HFS in a laser transition



LEAR, E. W. et al. PLB 404 (1997) 15-19

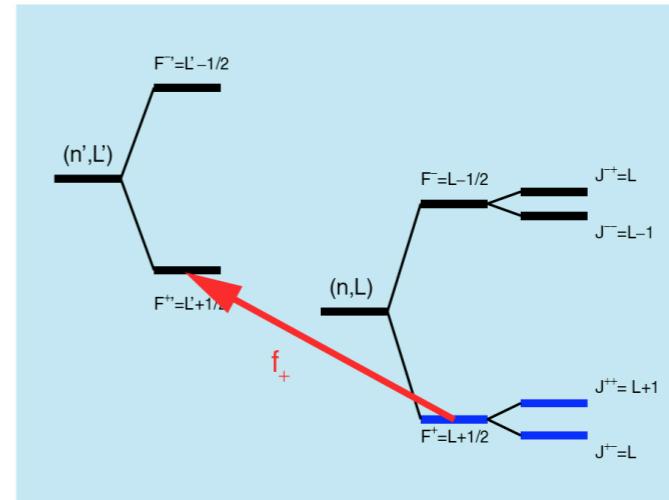
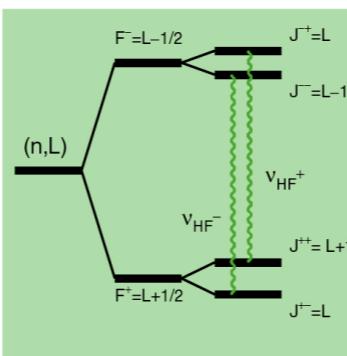
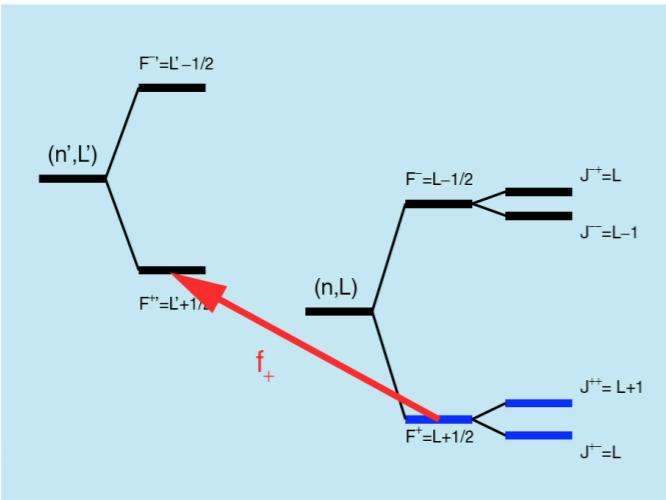
- 1.75 GHz is difference of HF splitting of (37,35) and (38,34) state
- SHFS transitions cannot be observed due to Doppler broadening & laser bandwidth

# Laser-microwave-laser resonance experiment



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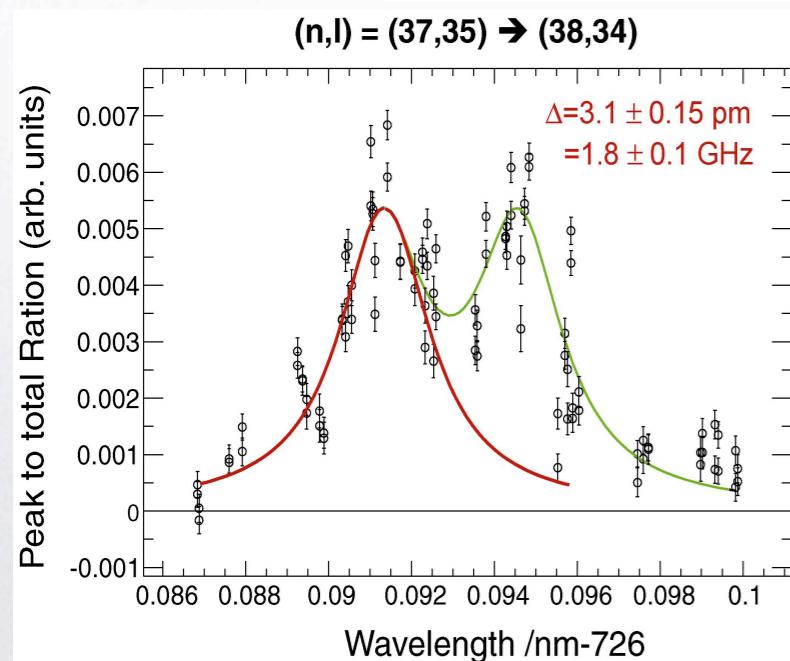
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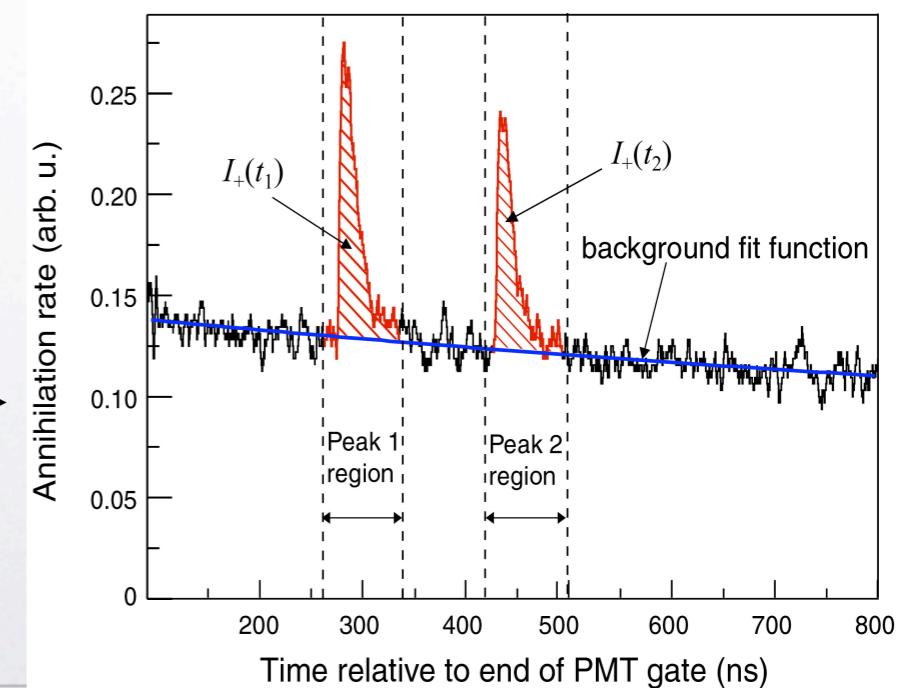
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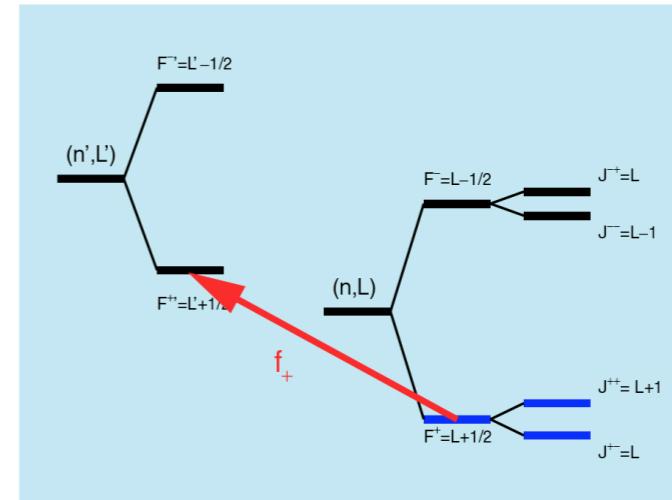
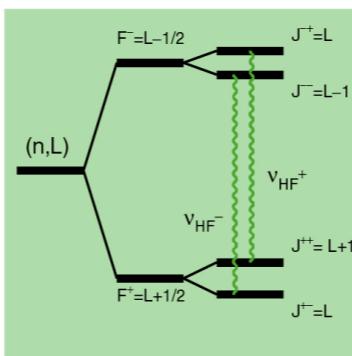
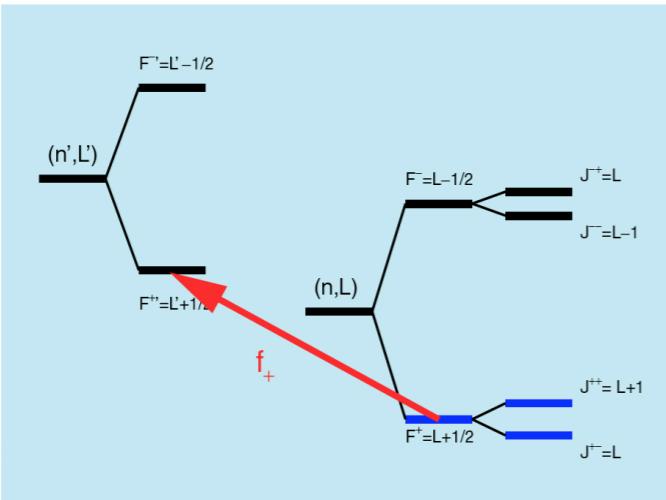


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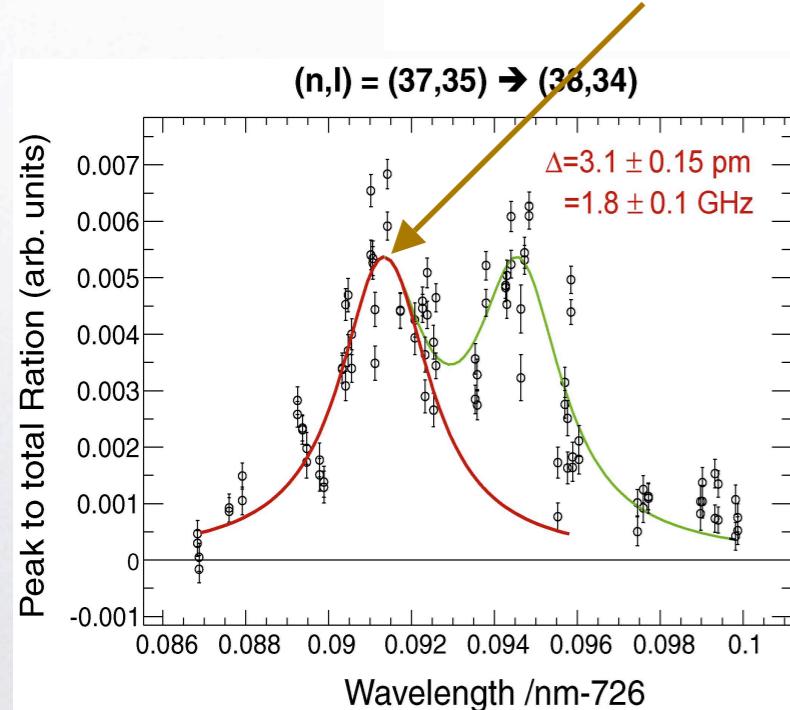
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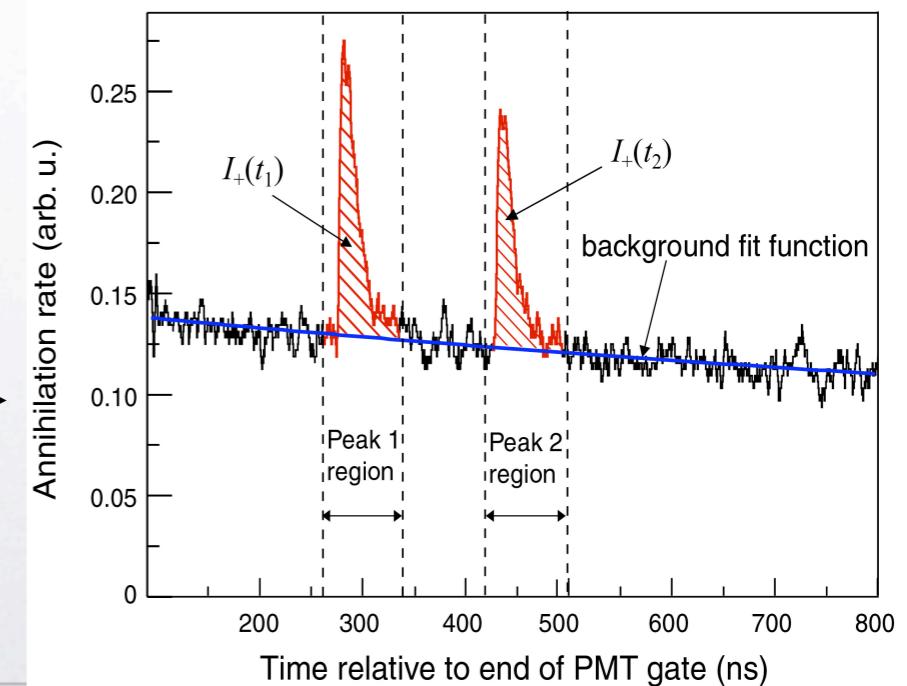
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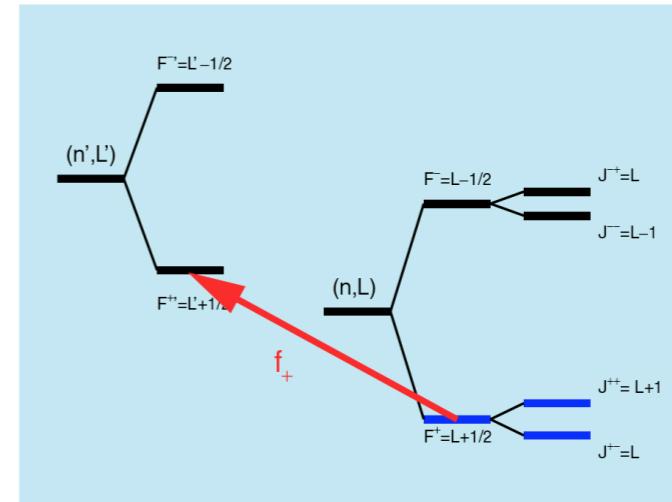
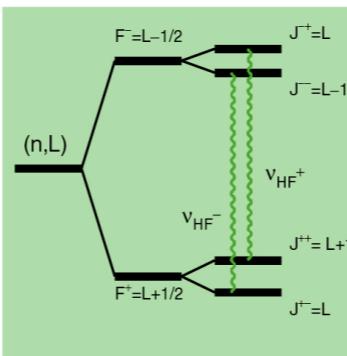
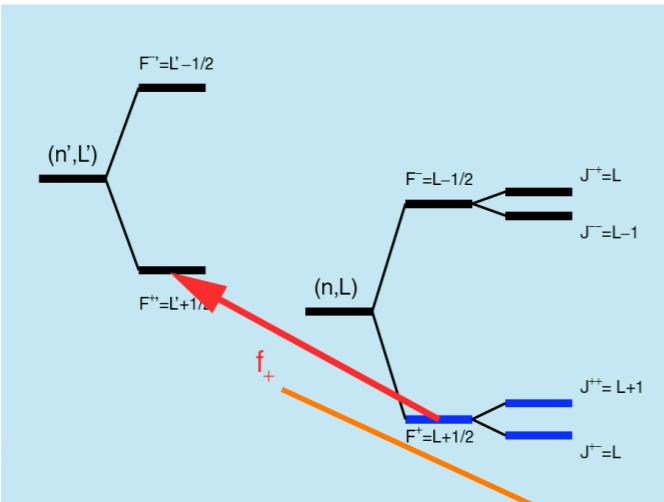


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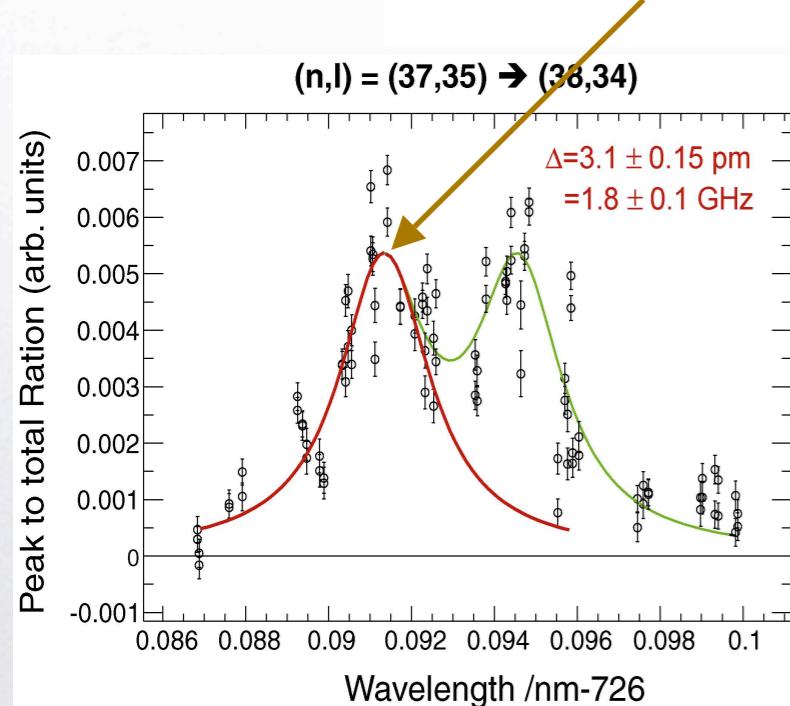
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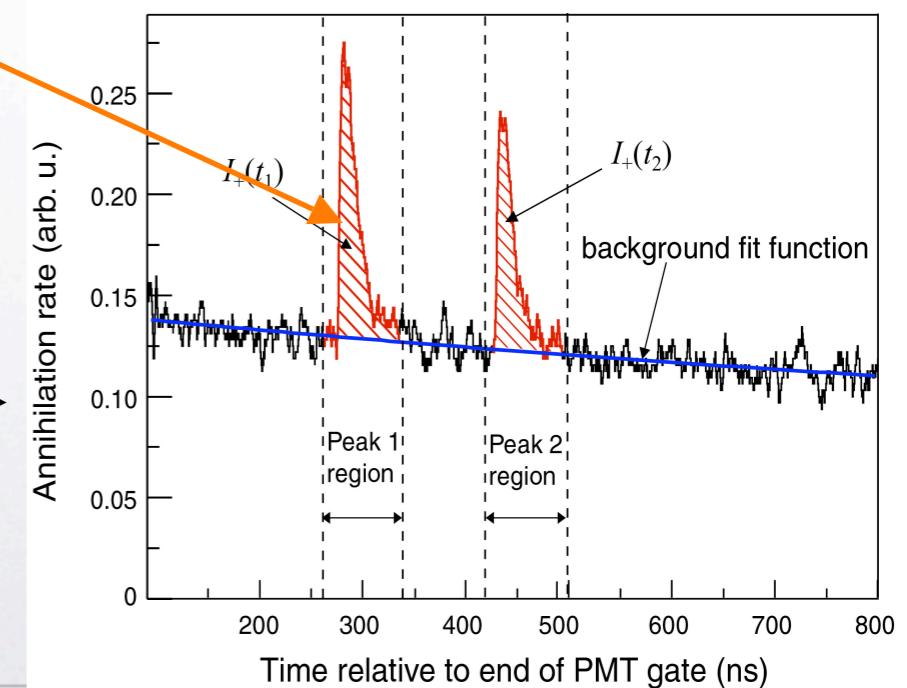
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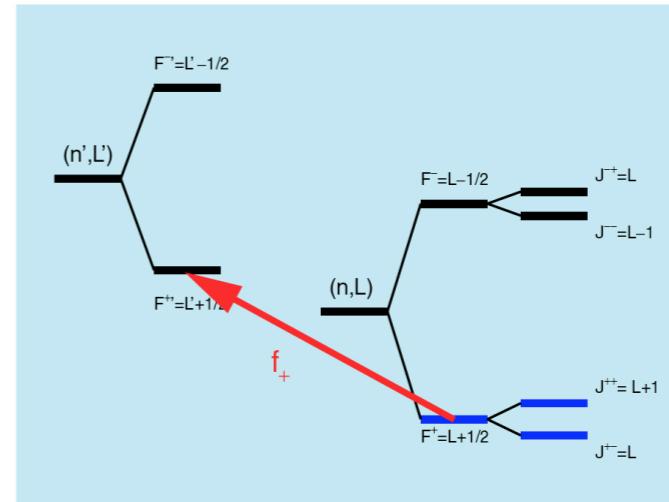
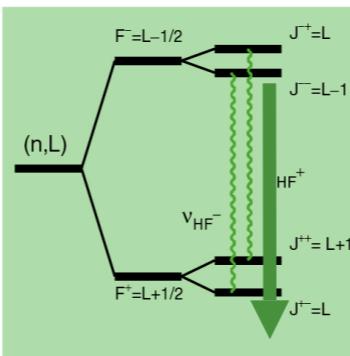
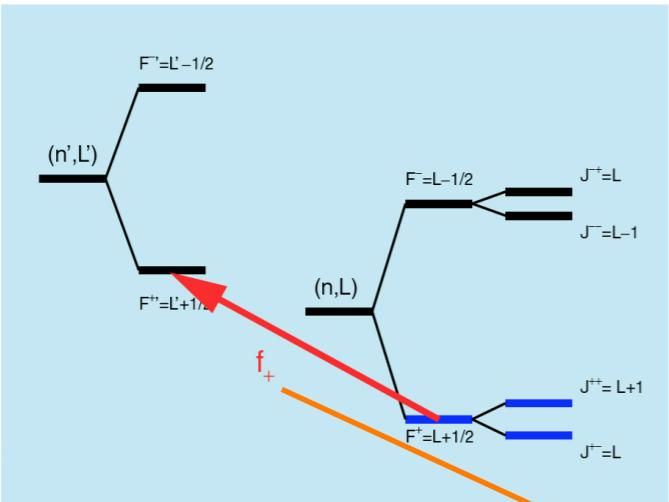


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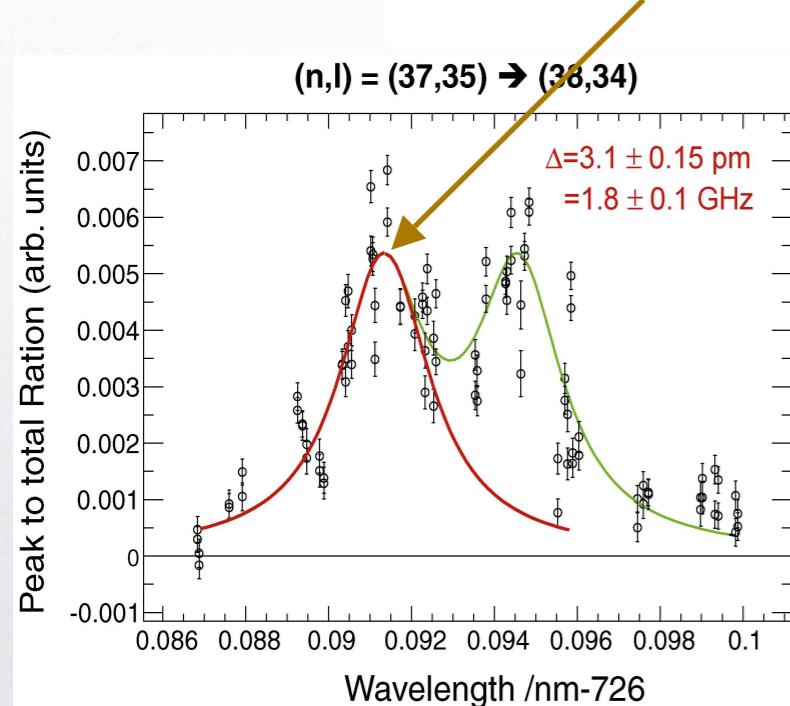
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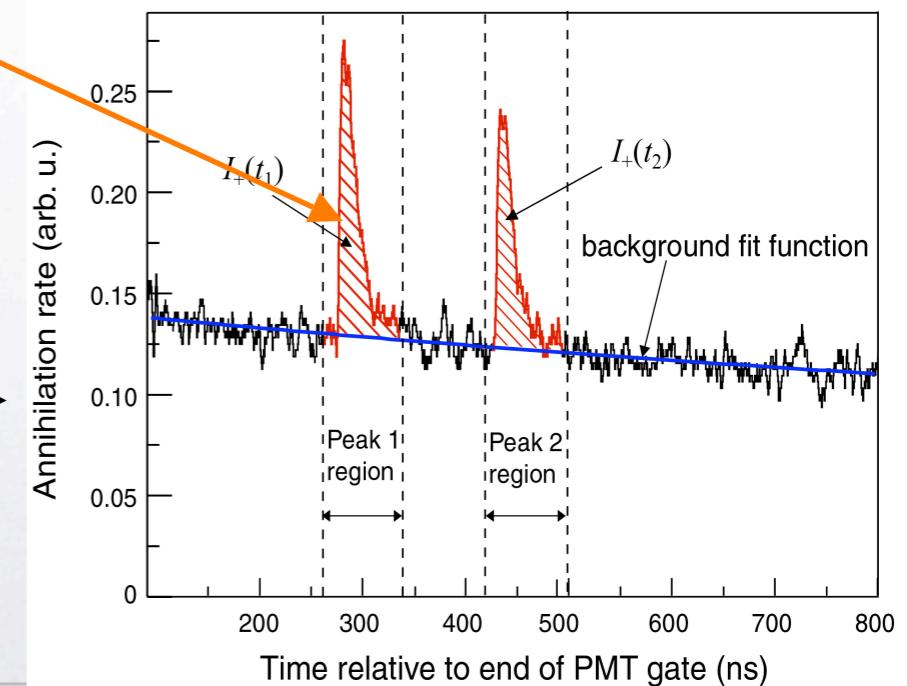
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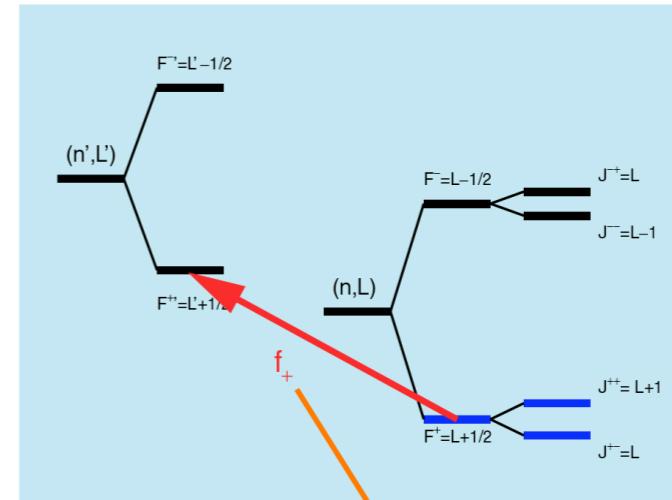
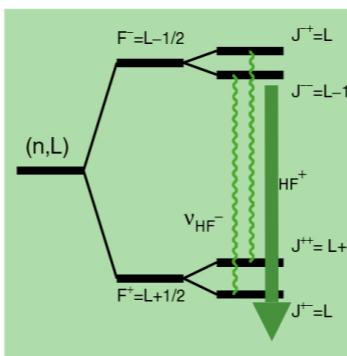
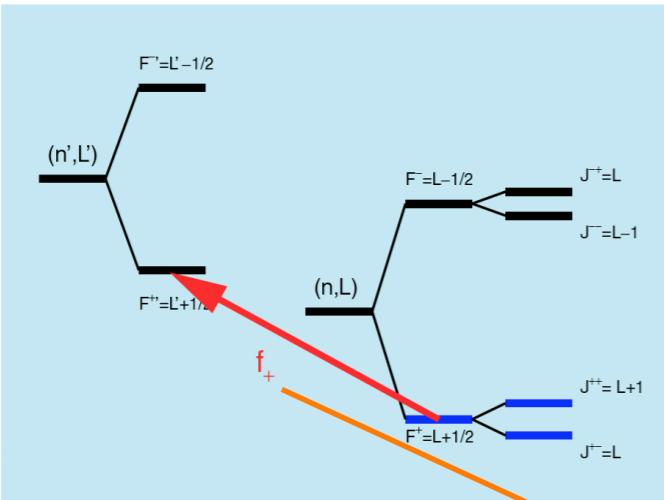


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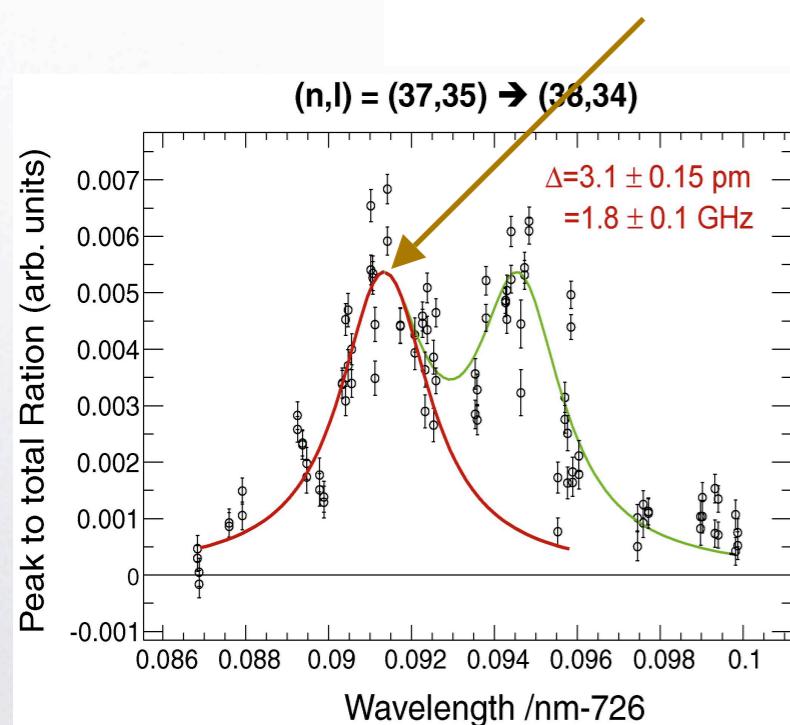
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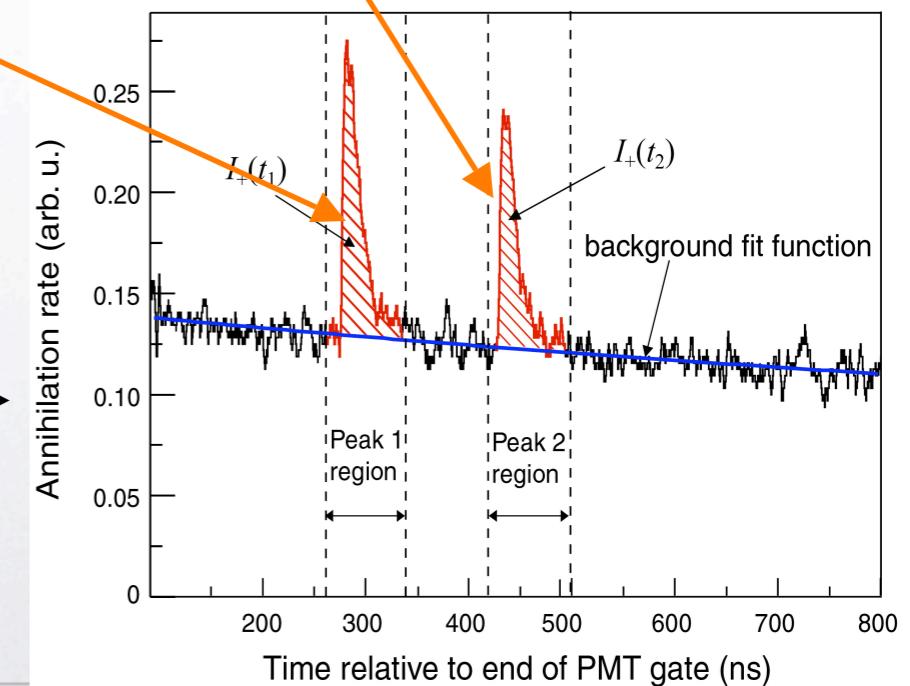
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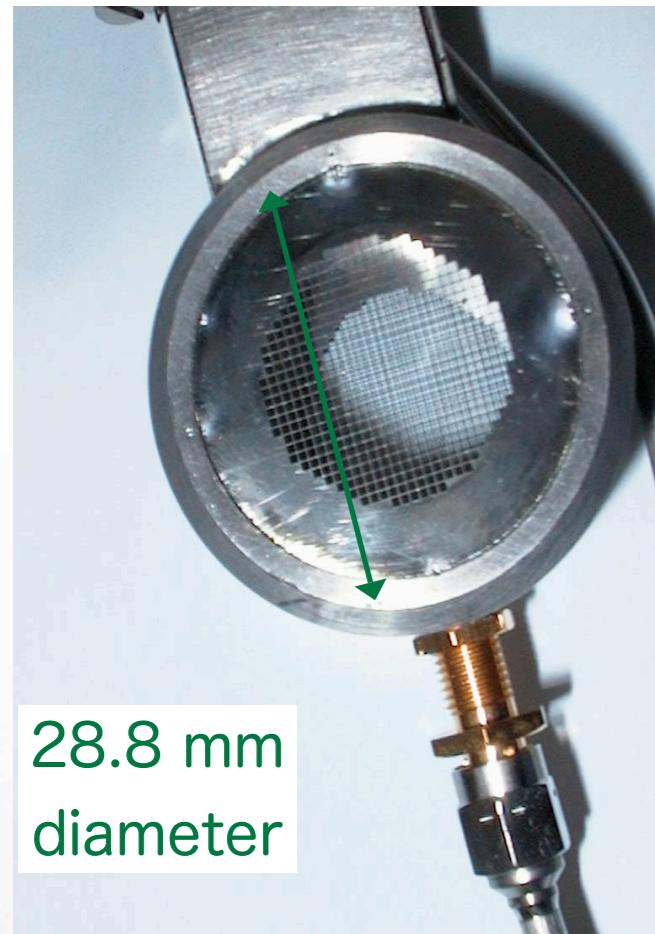
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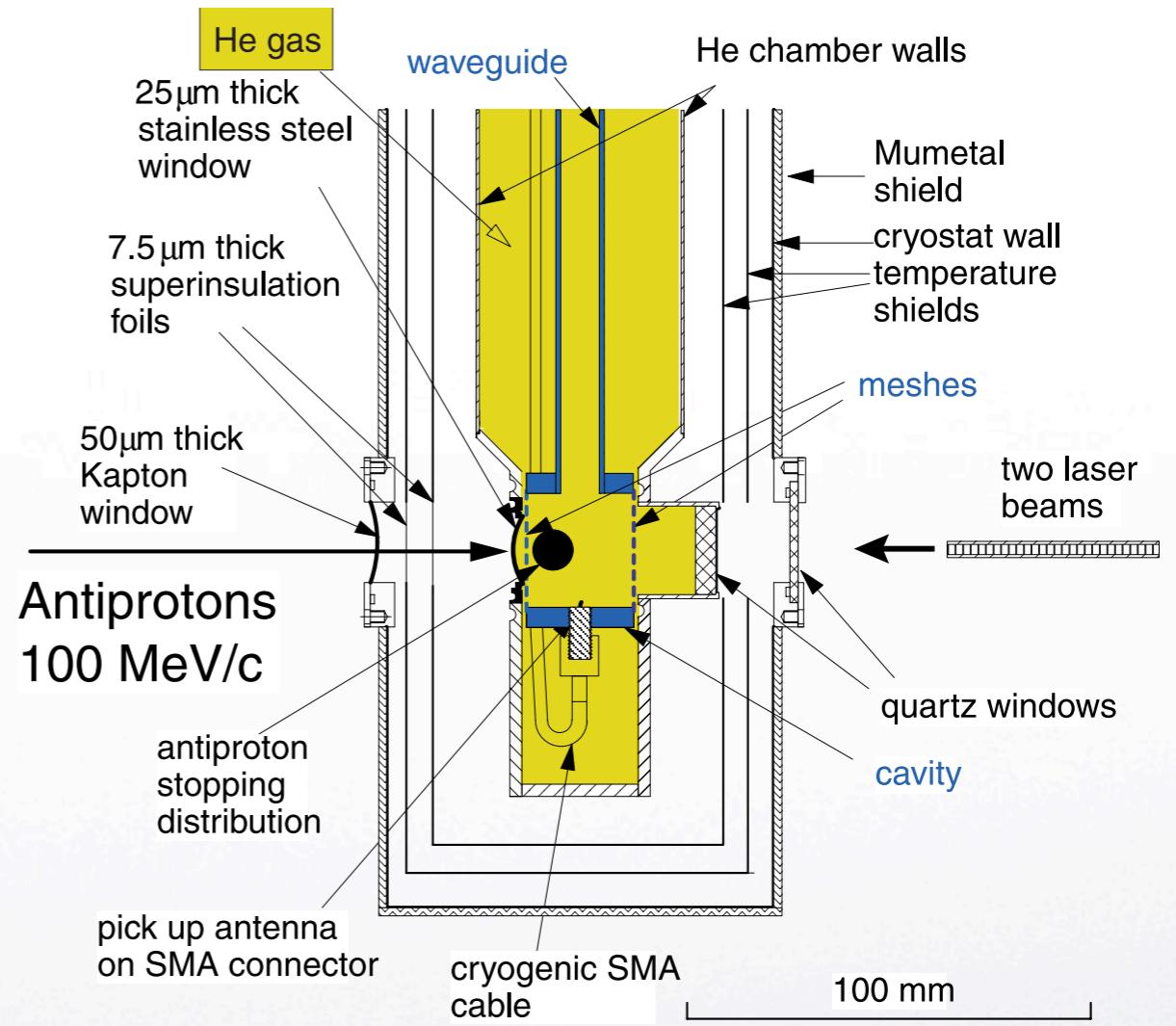
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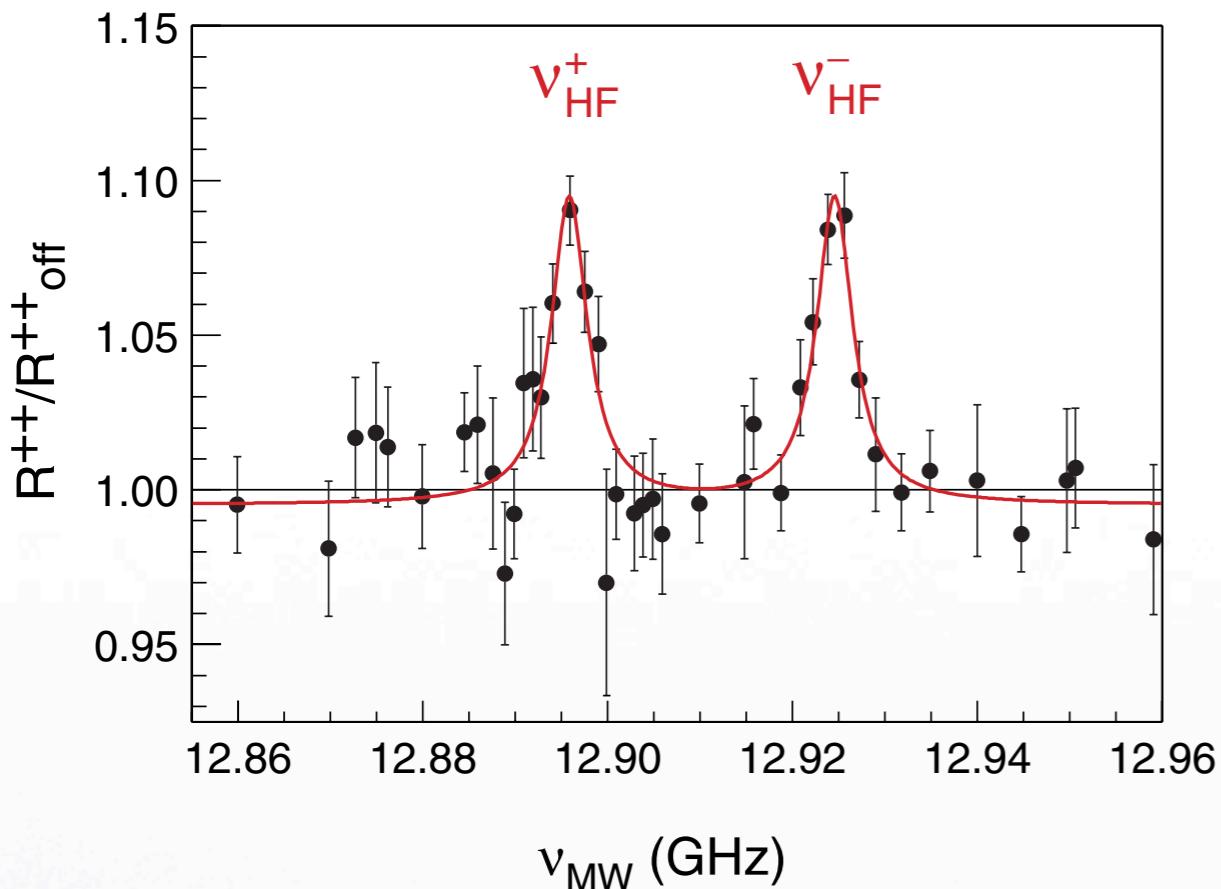


- cavity for 13 GHz at < 10 K to reduce Doppler broadening
- Meshes to allow pbar and laser light to enter



- low Q ( $\sim 100$ ) to avoid mechanical tuning
- tuning via synthesizer and stub tuner

# First observation of HFS transition

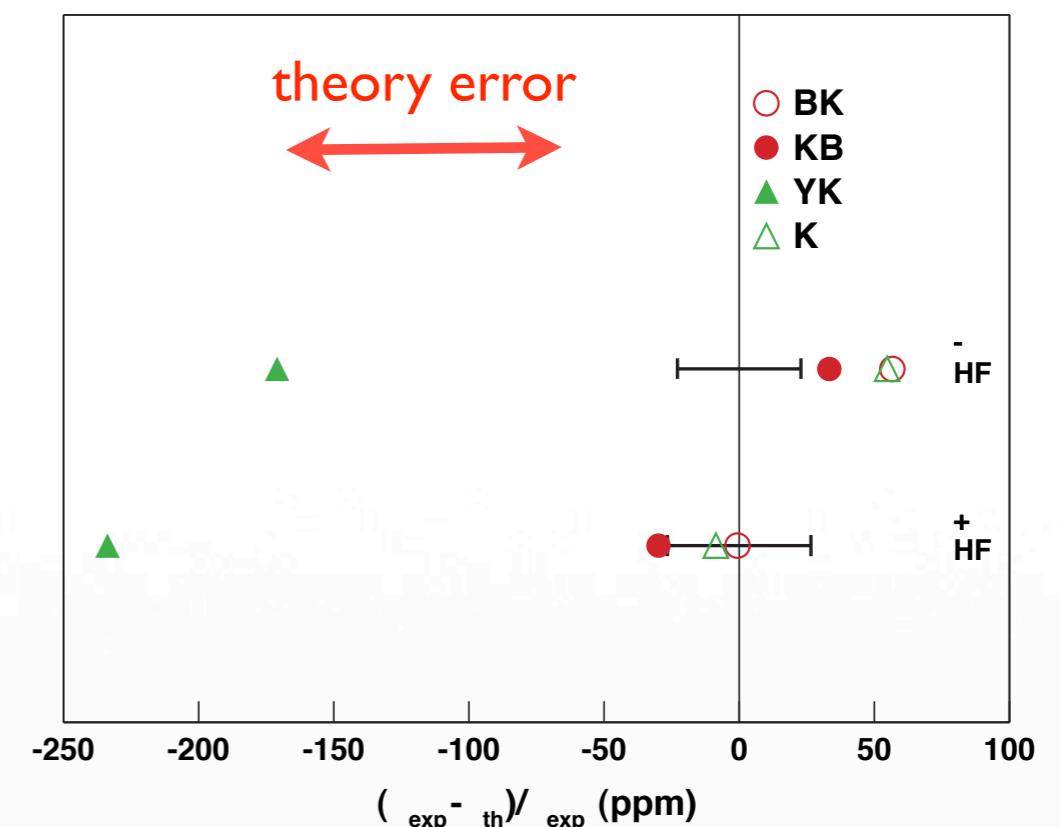
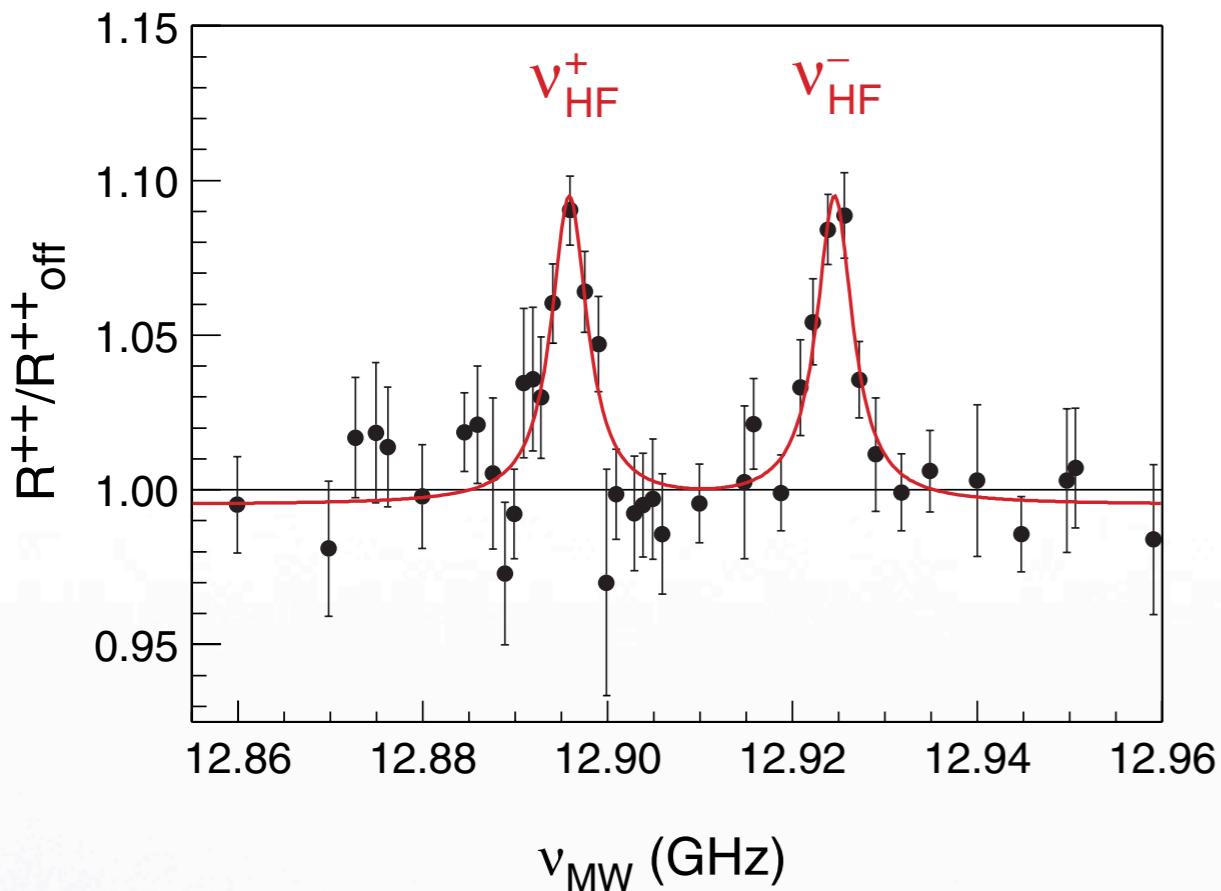


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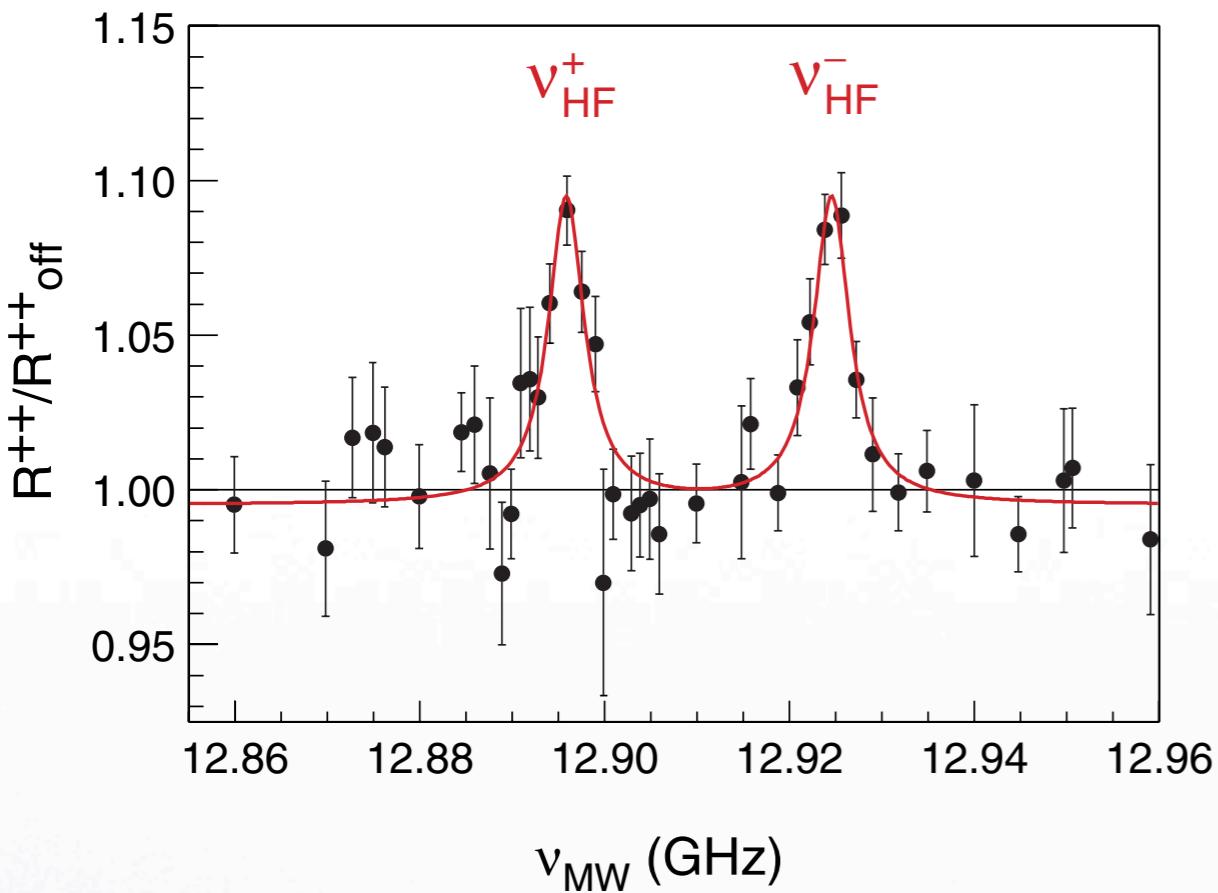


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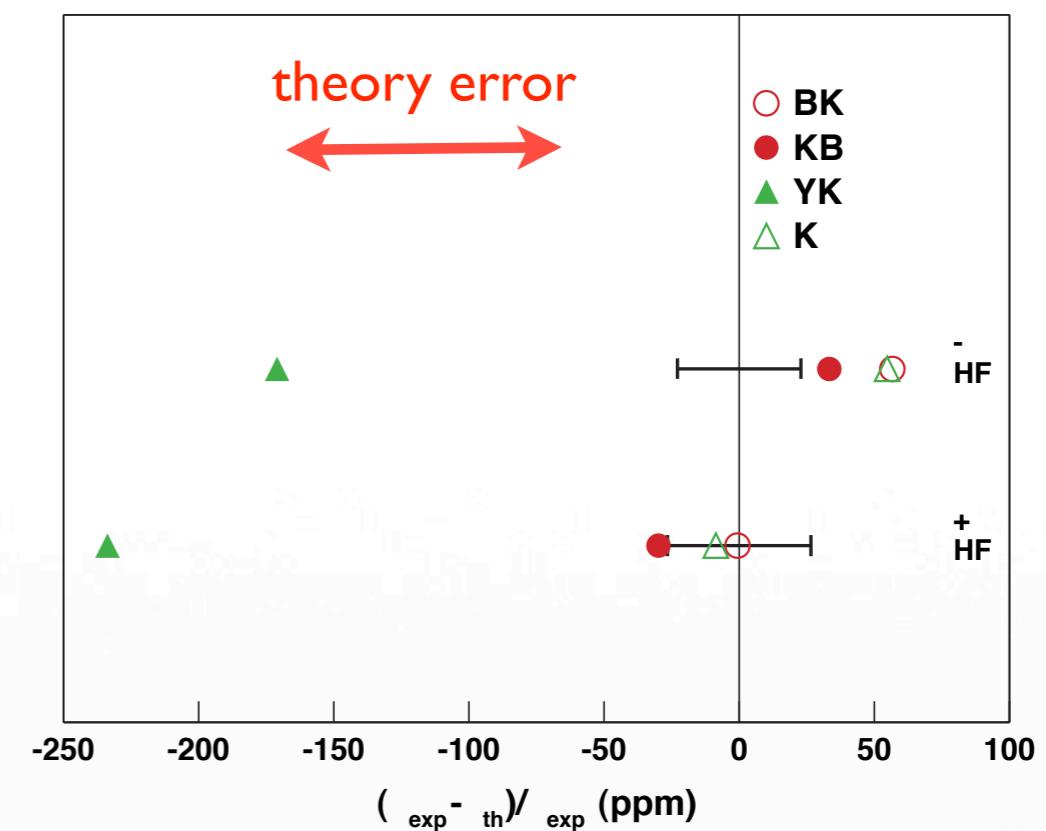
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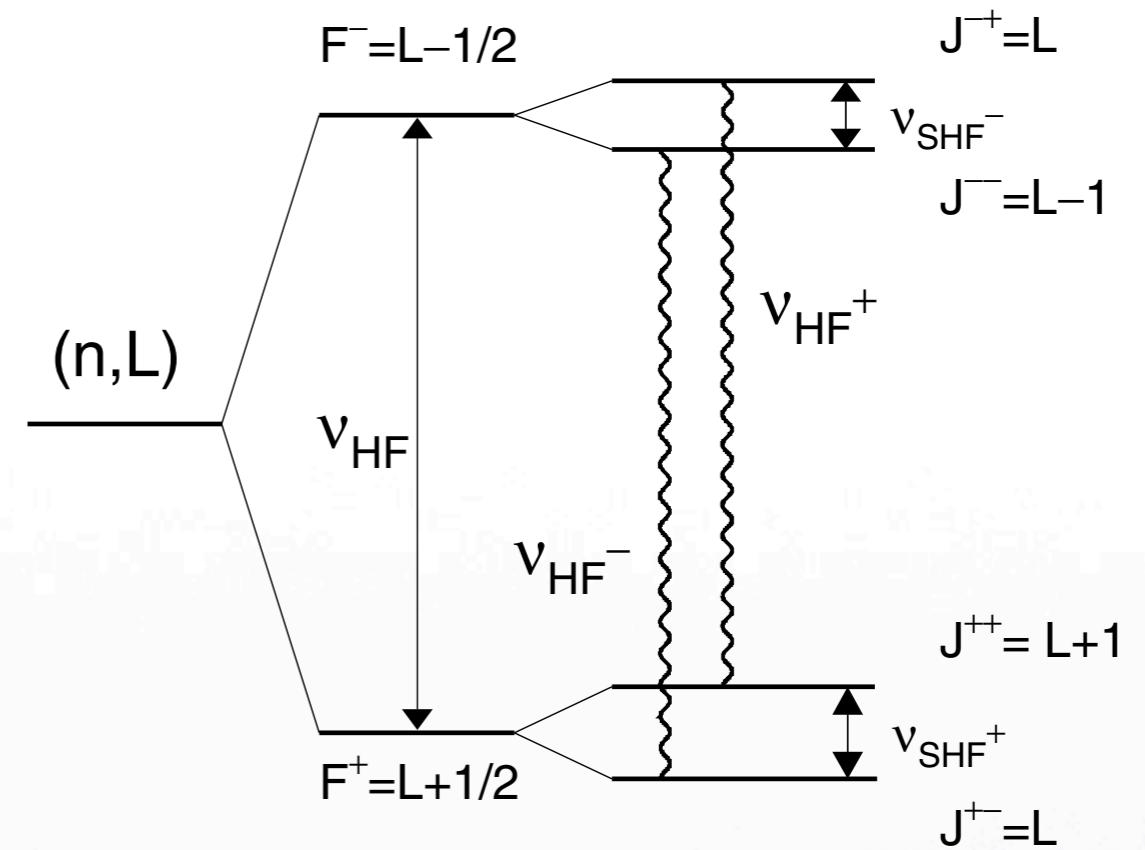
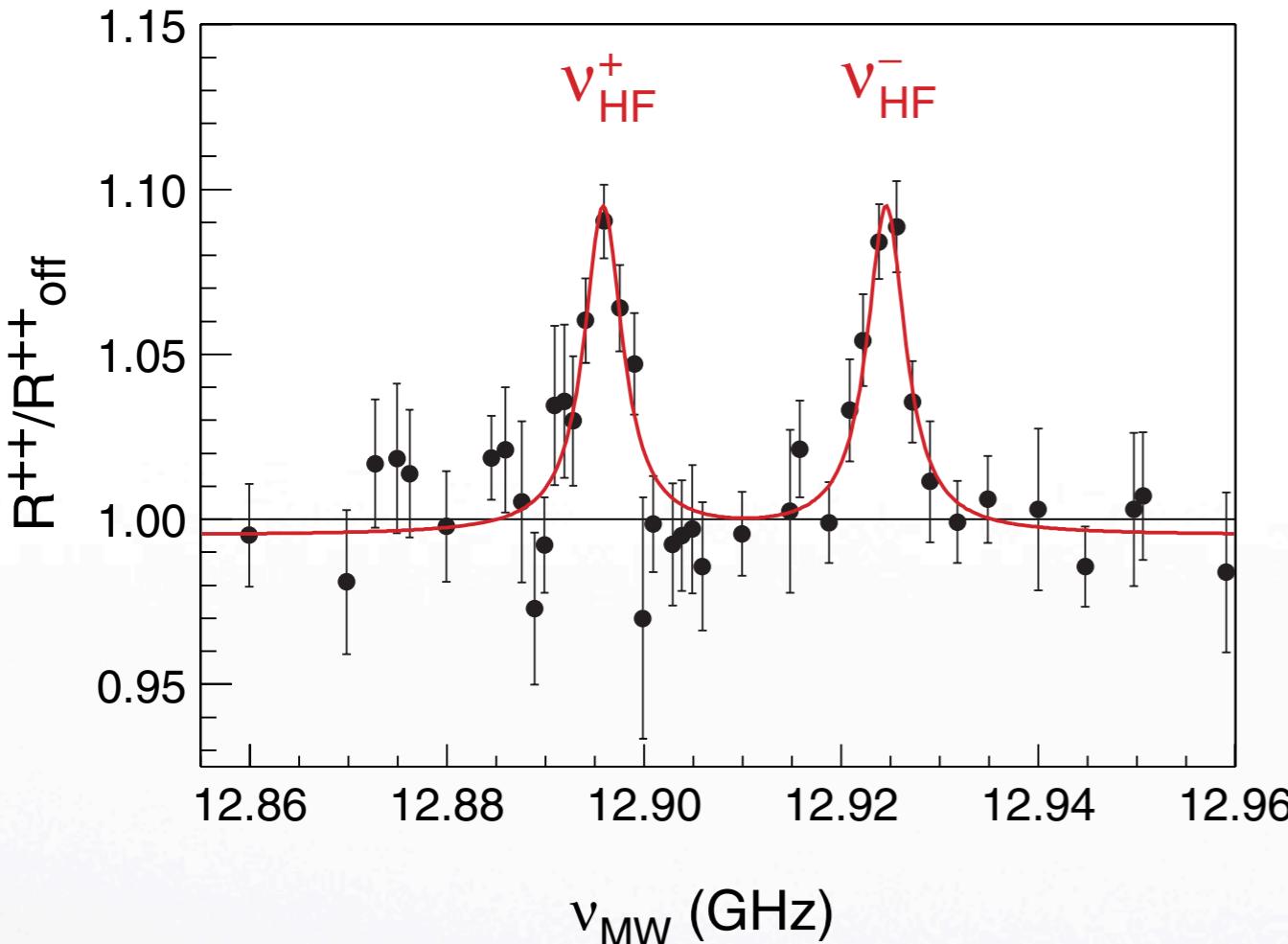
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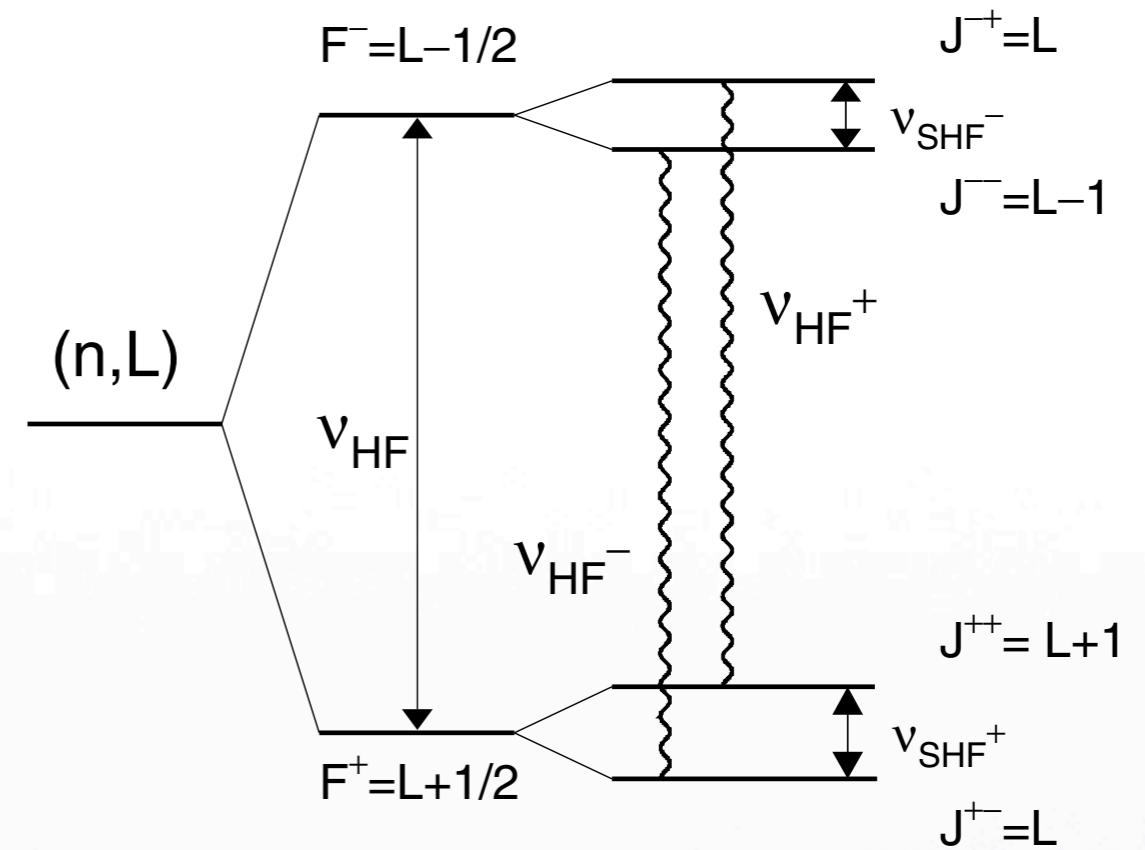
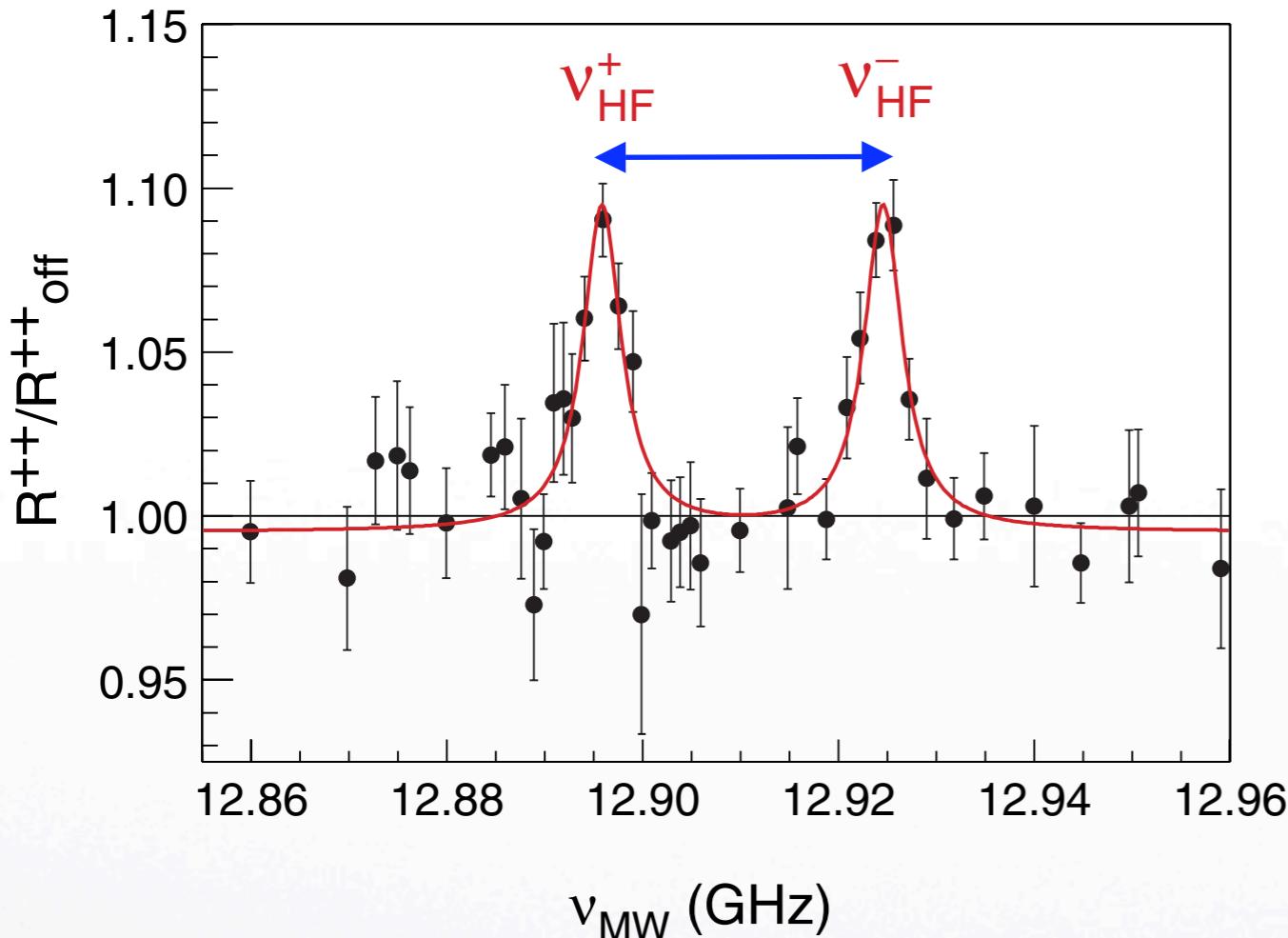
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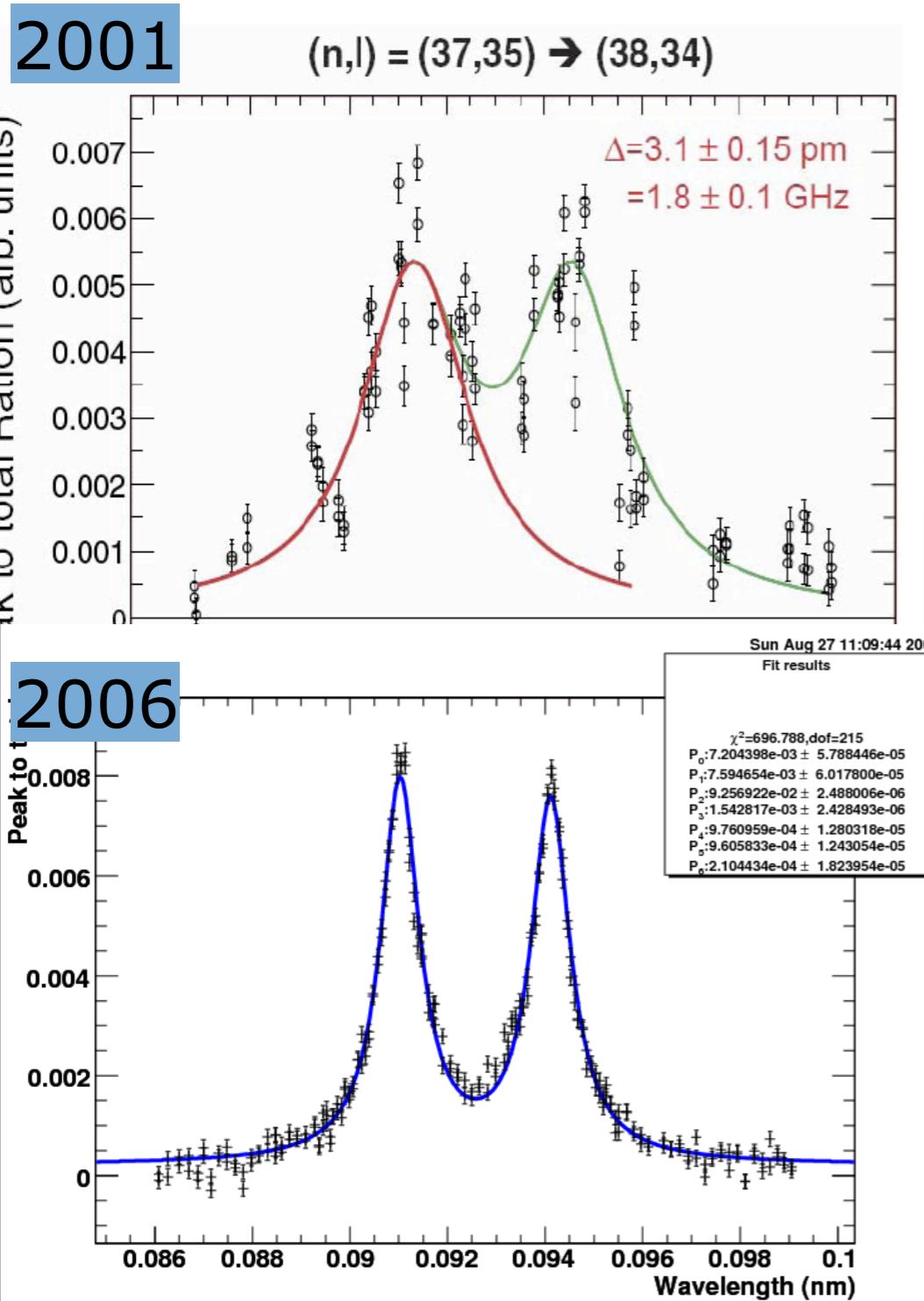
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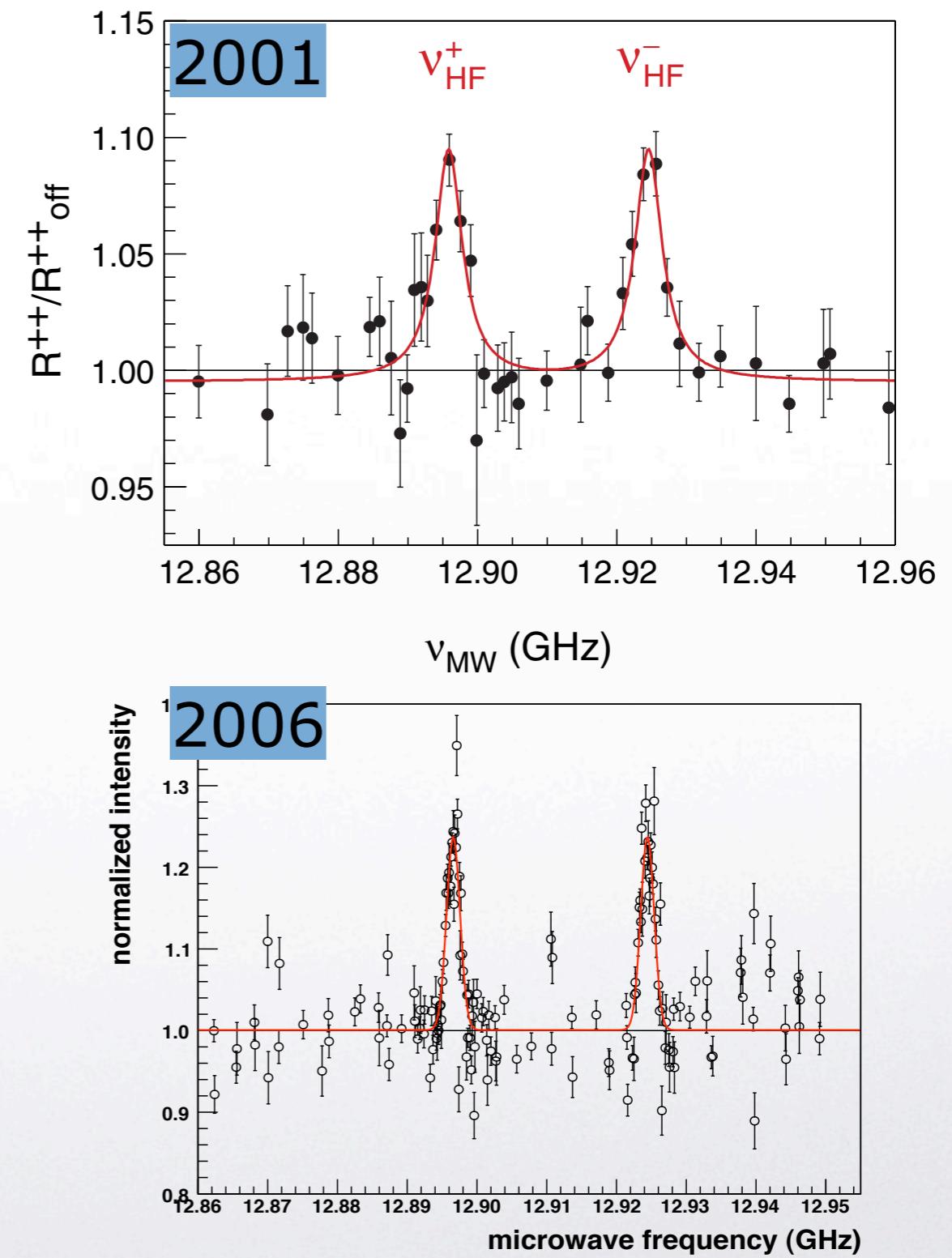
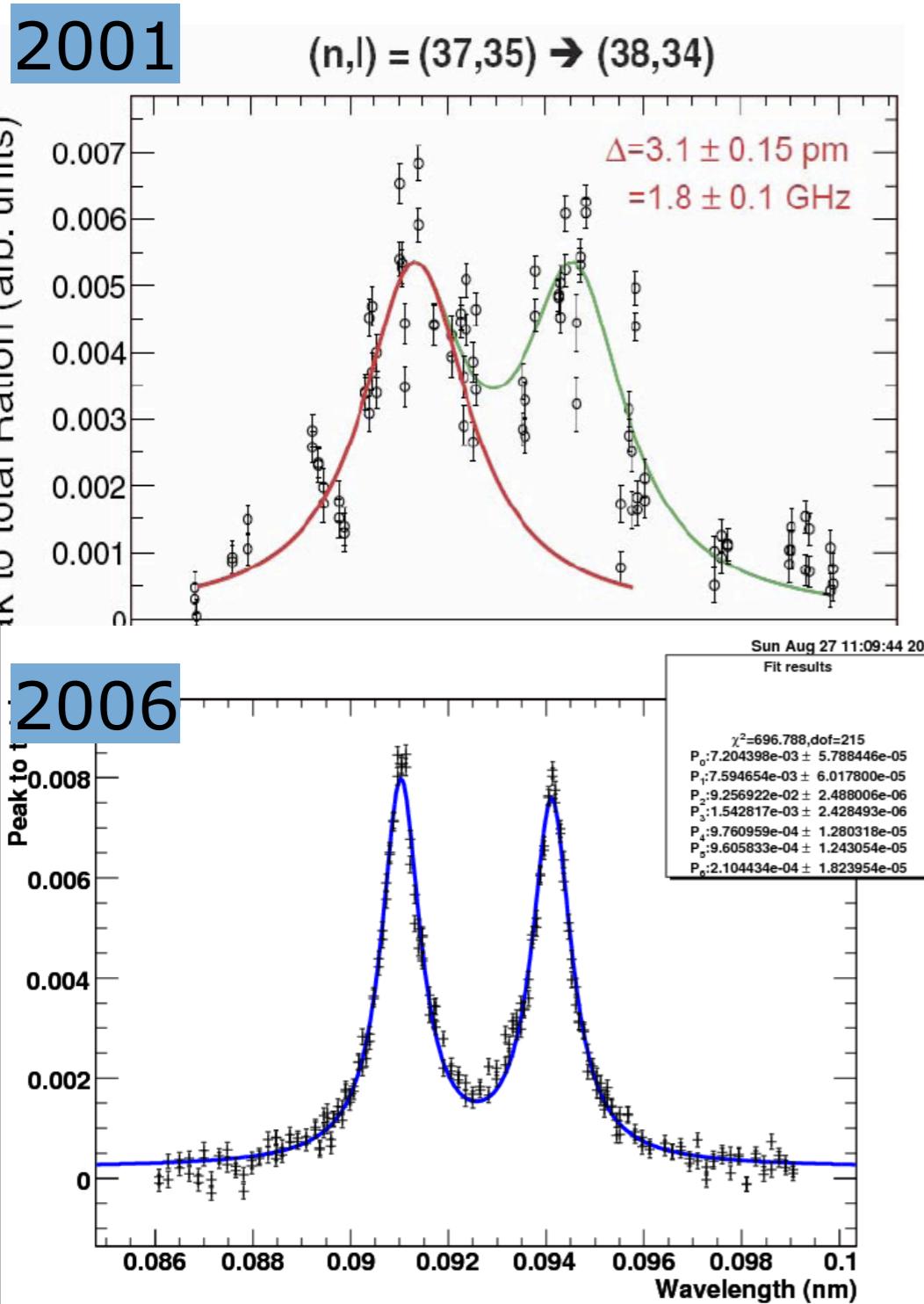
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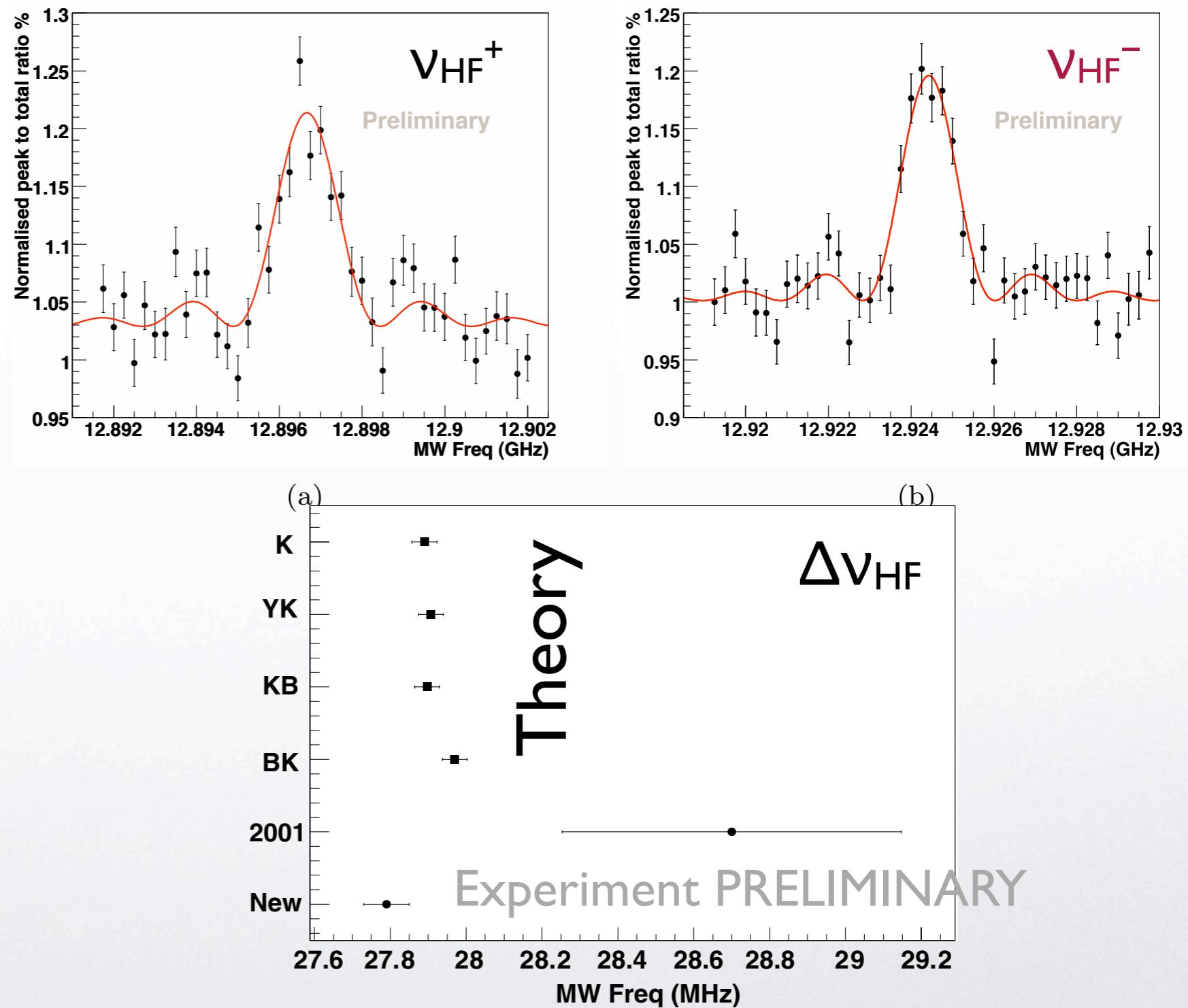


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# Recent results (8/2008)

- statistical error:  
20 kHz on  $V_{HF}^{\pm}$ :  
 $\Delta v/v = 1.5 \times 10^{-6}$
- 30 kHz on  $\Delta V_{HF}$ :  
 $\Delta v/v = 10^{-3}$
- no density nor power shift observed
- close agreement to theory
- analysis being finalized



# Summary and outlook

- Antiprotonic helium one of best tests of 3-body bound-state QED
- Agreement with theory gives test of CPT symmetry for charge, mass, magn. moment of pbar
- laser spectroscopy:  $\Delta_{\text{CPT}}(M, Q) \sim 2 \text{ ppb}$
- microwave spectroscopy:  $\Delta_{\text{CPT}}(\mu) \sim 10^{-3}$
- future plans:
  - two-photon laser spectroscopy, hole burning
  - HFS of pbar-<sup>3</sup>He

